# COMMON FIXED POINTS OF ONE-PARAMETER NONEXPANSIVE SEMIGROUPS IN STRICTLY CONVEX BANACH SPACES

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One of our main results is the following convergence theorem for one-parameter nonexpansive semigroups: let *C* be a bounded closed convex subset of a Hilbert space *E*, and let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on *C*. Fix  $u \in C$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in *C* by  $x_n = (1 - \alpha_n)/(t_2 - t_1) \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s)x_n ds + \alpha_n u$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in (0, 1) converging to 0. Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

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## 1. Introduction

Let *C* be a closed convex subset of a Banach space *E*, and let *T* be a *nonexpansive mapping* on *C*, that is,  $||Tx - Ty|| \le ||x - y||$  for all  $x, y \in C$ . We know that *T* has a fixed point in the case that *E* is uniformly convex and *C* is bounded; see Browder [4], Göhde [10], and Kirk [15]. We denote by F(T) the set of fixed points of *T*.

Let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings (nonexpansive semigroup, in short) on a closed convex subset *C* of a Banach space *E*, that is,

(i) for each  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , T(t) is a nonexpansive mapping on *C*;

(ii)  $T(s+t) = T(s) \circ T(t)$  for all  $s, t \in \mathbb{R}_+$ ;

(iii) for each  $x \in C$ , the mapping  $t \mapsto T(t)x$  from  $\mathbb{R}_+$  into *C* is strongly continuous. We also know that  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  has a common fixed point in the case that *E* is uniformly convex and *C* is bounded; see Browder [4]. Bruck [7] prove the following theorem.

**THEOREM 1.1** (Bruck [7]). Suppose a closed convex subset C of a Banach space has the fixed point property for nonexpansive mappings, and C is either weakly compact, or bounded and separable. Then for any commuting family S of nonexpansive mappings on C, the set of common fixed points of S is a nonempty nonexpansive retract of C.

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This theorem yields that  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  has a common fixed point in the case that *C* has the fixed point property, and that *C* is weakly compact, or bounded and separable.

Several authors have studied about convergence theorems for nonexpansive semigroups; see [1, 2, 13, 16, 19, 21, 22] and others. For example, the following theorem is a corollary of Theorem 8 in [19].

THEOREM 1.2 (Shioji and Takahashi [19]). Let *C* be a bounded closed convex subset of a Hilbert space *E*. Let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on *C*. Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{t_n\}$  be sequences of real numbers satisfying  $0 < \alpha_n < 1$ ,  $\lim_n \alpha_n = 0$ ,  $t_n > 0$  and  $\lim_n t_n = \infty$ . Fix  $u \in C$  and define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in *C* by

$$x_n = \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{t_n} \int_0^{t_n} T(s) x_n \, ds + \alpha_n u \tag{1.1}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

Also, Suzuki[21] proved the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.3 (Suzuki [21]). Let E, C,  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be as in Theorem 1.2. Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{t_n\}$  be sequences of real numbers satisfying  $0 < \alpha_n < 1$ ,  $t_n > 0$  and  $\lim_n t_n = \lim_n \alpha_n / t_n = 0$ . Fix  $u \in C$  and define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in C by

$$x_n = (1 - \alpha_n) T(t_n) x_n + \alpha_n u \tag{1.2}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

We note that in these theorems, real sequences  $\{t_n\}$  converge to 0 and  $\infty$ . So, it is natural to study convergence theorems under the assumption that  $\{t_n\}$  is a constant sequence. In this paper, motivated by Theorems 1.2 and 1.3, we consider such type of convergence theorems to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

### 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper we denote by  $\mathbb{R}$  the set of real numbers, by  $\mathbb{R}_+$  the set of nonnegative real numbers, and by  $\mathbb{N}$  the set of positive integers. For a Banach space *E*, we also denote by  $E^*$  the dual space of *E*.

We recall that a Banach space *E* is called strictly convex if ||x + y||/2 < 1 for all  $x, y \in E$  with ||x|| = ||y|| = 1 and  $x \neq y$ . We know the following lemma.

LEMMA 2.1. Let E be a Banach space. Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) *E* is strictly convex;
- (ii)  $\|\lambda x + (1 \lambda)y\| < 1$  for all  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  and  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$  and  $x \neq y$ ;
- (iii) if  $||x|| = ||y|| = ||\lambda x + (1 \lambda)y||$  for some  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ , then x = y.

A Banach space *E* is called uniformly convex if for each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $||x + y||/2 < 1 - \delta$  for all  $x, y \in E$  with ||x|| = ||y|| = 1 and  $||x - y|| \ge \varepsilon$ . It is clear that a uniformly convex Banach space is strictly convex. The norm of *E* is called Fréchet differentiable if for each  $x \in E$  with ||x|| = 1,  $\lim_{t\to 0} (||x + ty|| - ||x||)/t$  exists and is attained uniformly in  $y \in E$  with ||y|| = 1. A Banach space *E* is said to have the Opial property [17]

if for each weakly convergent sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in *E* with weak limit *z*,  $\liminf_n ||x_n - z|| < \liminf_n ||x_n - y||$  for all  $y \in E$  with  $y \neq z$ . All Hilbert spaces, all finite dimensional Banach spaces and  $\ell^p (1 \le p < \infty)$  have the Opial property. Gossez and Lami Dozo[11] prove that every weakly compact convex subset of a Banach space with the Opial property has normal structure. We also know that every separable Banach space can be equivalently renormed so that it has the Opial property; see [23].

# 3. Common fixed points

In this section, we give our main results. The following proposition plays an important role in this paper.

PROPOSITION 3.1. Let C be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space E. Let  $\tau_{\infty} > 0$  and let  $\{T(t) : t \in [0, \tau_{\infty})\}$  be a family of mappings on C satisfying the following:

- (i) for each  $t \in [0, \tau_{\infty})$ , T(t) is nonexpansive;
- (ii) there exists a strictly increasing sequence  $\{\tau_n\}$  in  $[0, \tau_{\infty})$  such that  $\tau_1 = 0$ ,  $\{\tau_n\}$  converges to  $\tau_{\infty}$ , and mappings  $t \mapsto T(t)x$  are weakly continuous on  $[\tau_n, \tau_{n+1})$  for all  $x \in C$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Suppose that

$$\bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_{\infty})} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset.$$
(3.1)

Then

$$\bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_{\infty})} F(T(t)) = F(S), \tag{3.2}$$

where S is a nonexpansive mapping on C defined by

$$Sx = \frac{1}{\tau_{\infty}} \int_0^{\tau_{\infty}} T(s)x \, ds \tag{3.3}$$

for all  $x \in C$ .

*Remark 3.2.* We do not assume  $\{T(\cdot)\}$  is a nonexpansive semigroup.

*Proof.* Fix  $f \in E^*$ . Then the functions  $t \mapsto f(T(t)x)$  from  $[\tau_n, \tau_{n+1})$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  are continuous on  $[\tau_n, \tau_{n+1})$  for  $x \in C$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, the functions  $t \mapsto f(T(t)x)$  from  $[0, \tau_{\infty})$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  are measurable for  $x \in C$ . We also have  $\{T(t)x : t \in [0, \tau_{\infty})\}$  is separable for each  $x \in C$ . Fix  $w \in \bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_{\infty})} F(T(t))$ . Since

$$||T(t)x|| = ||T(t)x|| - ||T(t)w|| + ||w|| \le |T(t)x - T(t)w| + ||w|| \le ||x - w|| + ||w||,$$
(3.4)

for  $x \in C$  and  $t \in [0, \tau_{\infty})$ , we have that the mappings  $t \mapsto T(t)x$  are Bochner integrable for all  $x \in C$  and hence *S* is well-defined. Using the separation theorem, we can easily prove

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that S is a mapping on C. Since

$$\|Sx - Sy\| = \left|\frac{1}{\tau_{\infty}} \int_{0}^{\tau_{\infty}} (T(s)x - T(s)y) ds\right\|$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{\tau_{\infty}} \int_{0}^{\tau_{\infty}} \left||T(s)x - T(s)y|| ds$$
  
$$\leq \frac{1}{\tau_{\infty}} \int_{0}^{\tau_{\infty}} \|x - y\| ds = \|x - y\|$$
(3.5)

for  $x, y \in C$ , S is nonexpansive. Therefore S is a nonexpansive mapping on C. It is obvious that  $\bigcap_{t \in [0,\tau_{\infty})} F(T(t)) \subset F(S)$ . We assume that  $z \in F(S) \setminus \bigcap_{t \in [0,\tau_{\infty})} F(T(t))$ . Then there exists  $t_1 \in [0, \tau_{\infty})$  such that  $T(t_1)z \neq z$ . Fix  $g \in E^*$  with

$$||g|| = 1, \qquad g(T(t_1)z - z) = ||T(t_1)z - z||.$$
 (3.6)

For some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $t_1$  belongs to  $[\tau_m, \tau_{m+1})$ . From the assumption (ii), there exists  $t_2 \in (t_1, \tau_{m+1})$  such that

$$g(T(t)z - z) > \frac{1}{2} ||T(t_1)z - z||$$
(3.7)

for all  $t \in [t_1, t_2)$ . Define nonexpansive mappings  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  on C by

$$S_{1}x = \frac{1}{t_{2} - t_{1}} \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} T(s)x ds,$$

$$S_{2}x = \frac{1}{\tau_{\infty} - t_{2} + t_{1}} \left( \int_{0}^{t_{1}} T(s)x \, ds + \int_{t_{2}}^{\tau_{\infty}} T(s)x \, ds \right)$$
(3.8)

for all  $x \in C$ . We note that

$$Sx = \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} S_1 x + \frac{\tau_{\infty} - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} S_2 x$$
(3.9)

for all  $x \in C$ . We have

$$g(S_{1}z - Sz) = g\left(\frac{1}{t_{2} - t_{1}} \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} T(s)z \, ds - z\right)$$
  

$$= g\left(\frac{1}{t_{2} - t_{1}} \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} (T(s)z - z) \, ds\right)$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{t_{2} - t_{1}} \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} g(T(s)z - z) \, ds$$
  

$$\ge \frac{1}{t_{2} - t_{1}} \int_{t_{1}}^{t_{2}} \frac{1}{2} ||T(t_{1})z - z|| \, ds$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{2} ||T(t_{1})z - z|| > 0.$$
  
(3.10)

Hence

$$g(S_2 z - Sz) = \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_{\infty} - t_2 + t_1} g(Sz - S_1 z) < 0.$$
(3.11)

Therefore  $S_1 z \neq S_2 z$ . Fix  $w \in \bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_\infty)} F(T(t))$ . Then we note that  $S_1 w = S_2 w = w$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|z - w\| &= \|Sz - w\| = \left\| \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} S_1 z + \frac{\tau_{\infty} - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} S_2 z - w \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} \|S_1 z - w\| + \frac{\tau_{\infty} - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} \|S_2 z - w\| \\ &= \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} \|S_1 z - S_1 w\| + \frac{\tau_{\infty} - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} \|S_2 z - S_2 w\| \\ &\leq \frac{t_2 - t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} \|z - w\| + \frac{\tau_{\infty} - t_2 + t_1}{\tau_{\infty}} \|z - w\| = \|z - w\| \end{aligned}$$
(3.12)

and hence

$$||S_{z} - w|| = ||S_{1}z - w|| = ||S_{2}z - w||.$$
(3.13)

This contradicts the strict convexity of *E*. Therefore,  $F(S) \subset \bigcap_{t \in [0, \tau_{\infty})} F(T(t))$ . This completes the proof.

As a direct consequence of Proposition 3.1, we can prove the following, which was proved by Bruck [6]; see also [20].

COROLLARY 3.3 (Bruck [6]). Let *C* be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space *E*. Let  $\{T_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of nonexpansive mappings on *C*. Suppose  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$ is nonempty. Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a sequence of positive numbers with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = 1$ . Define a nonexpansive mapping *S* on *C* by

$$Sx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n T_n x \tag{3.14}$$

for  $x \in C$ . Then  $F(S) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$  holds.

*Proof.* Define a strictly increasing sequence  $\{\tau_n\}$  in [0,1) by  $\tau_1 = 0$  and

$$\tau_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \alpha_k \tag{3.15}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $n \ge 2$ . We note that  $\lim_n \tau_n = 1$ . Define a family  $\{T(t) : t \in [0,1)\}$  of non-expansive mappings as follows: If  $\tau_n \le t < \tau_{n+1}$ , then

$$T(t)x = T_n x \tag{3.16}$$

for all  $x \in C$ . Then we note that

$$Sx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n T_n x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{\tau_n}^{\tau_{n+1}} T(s) x \, ds = \int_0^1 T(s) x \, ds = \frac{1}{1} \int_0^1 T(s) x \, ds \tag{3.17}$$

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for  $x \in C$  and

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) = \bigcap_{t \in [0,1)} F(T(t)).$$
(3.18)

So, by Proposition 3.1, we obtain the desired result.

As another direct consequence of Proposition 3.1, we obtain the following proposition.

PROPOSITION 3.4. Let C be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space E. Let  $\tau > 0$  and let  $\{T(t) : t \in [0, \tau)\}$  be a family of mappings on C satisfying the following:

(i) for each  $t \in [0, \tau)$ , T(t) is nonexpansive;

(ii) mappings  $t \mapsto T(t)x$  are weakly continuous on  $[0, \tau)$  for all  $x \in C$ .

Suppose that

$$\bigcap_{t \in [0,\tau)} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset.$$
(3.19)

Then

$$\bigcap_{t \in [0,\tau)} F(T(t)) = F(S), \tag{3.20}$$

where *S* is a nonexpansive mapping on *C* defined by

$$Sx = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_0^{\tau} T(s) x \, ds$$
 (3.21)

for all  $x \in C$ .

Now, we prove one of our main results.

THEOREM 3.5. Let C be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space E and let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on C. Suppose that

$$\bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset.$$
(3.22)

Fix  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ , and define a nonexpansive mapping *S* on *C* by

$$Sx = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s) x \, ds \tag{3.23}$$

for all  $x \in C$ . Then

$$\bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T(t)) = F(S)$$
(3.24)

holds.

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*Proof.* It is clear that  $\bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T(t)) \subset F(S)$ . Fix  $w \in F(S)$ . By Proposition 3.4, we have

$$\bigcap_{t \in [t_1, t_2)} F(T(t)) = F(S).$$
(3.25)

So, T(t)w = w for  $t \in [t_1, t_2)$ . Hence, for every  $t \in [0, (t_2 - t_1)/2]$ , we have

$$T(t)w = T(t) \circ T(t_1)w = T(t+t_1)w = w.$$
(3.26)

Let  $t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  be fixed. Then there exist  $m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  and  $u \in [0, (t_2 - t_1)/2)$  such that  $t = u + m(t_2 - t_1)/2$ . We have

$$T(t)w = T\left(u + m\frac{t_2 - t_1}{2}\right)w = T(u) \circ T\left(\frac{t_2 - t_1}{2}\right)^m w = T(u)w = w,$$
(3.27)

where  $T((t_2 - t_1)/2)^0$  is the identity mapping on *C*. Therefore *w* is a common fixed point of  $\{T(t): t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ . This completes the proof.

Similarly we can prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 3.6. Let C be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space E and let  $\{T_n(t): t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}: n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of strongly continuous semigroups of nonexpansive mappings on C. Let  $\{U_n: n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of nonexpansive mappings on C. Suppose that

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{+}} F(T_{n}(t)) \cap \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(U_{n}) \neq \emptyset.$$
(3.28)

Let  $\{t_n\}$ ,  $\{u_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  be real sequences such that  $0 \le t_n < u_n$ ,  $\alpha_n > 0$  and  $\beta_n > 0$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = 1$ . Define a nonexpansive mapping S on C by

$$Sx = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_n}{u_n - t_n} \int_{t_n}^{u_n} T_n(s) x \, ds + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n U_n x \tag{3.29}$$

for all  $x \in C$ . Then

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_+} F(T_n(t)) \cap \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(U_n) = F(S).$$
(3.30)

holds.

We recall that a closed convex subset C of a Banach space E is said to have the *f* ixed point property for nonexpansive mappings (*FPP*, in short) if for every bounded closed convex subset D of C, every nonexpansive mapping on D has a fixed point. So, by the results of Browder [4] and Göhde [10], every uniformly convex Banach space has FPP. Also, by Kirk's fixed point theorem [15], every weakly compact convex subset with normal structure has FPP.

As a direct consequence of Theorem 3.6, we obtain the following corollary.

COROLLARY 3.7. Let E, C,  $\{\{T_n(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}, \{U_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}, \{t_n\}, \{u_n\}, \{\alpha_n\}, and \{\beta_n\}$  be as in Theorem 3.6. Assume that C is weakly compact and has FPP, and

$$T_m(s) \circ T_n(t) = T_n(t) \circ T_m(s), \qquad U_m \circ U_n = U_n \circ U_m, \quad U_m \circ T_n(t) = T_n(t) \circ U_m$$
(3.31)

for all  $s,t \in \mathbb{R}_+$  and  $m,n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define a nonexpansive mapping S on C as in Theorem 3.6. Then

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{t \in \mathbb{R}_{+}} F(T_n(t)) \cap \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(U_n) = F(S) \neq \emptyset.$$
(3.32)

holds.

### 4. Convergence theorems

Using Theorem 3.5, we can prove many convergence theorems to a common fixed point of nonexpansive semigroups. In this section, we state some of them.

From the result of Ishikawa [14], we obtain the following theorem see also Edelstein [8].

THEOREM 4.1. Let C be a compact convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space E. Let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on C. Fix  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in C by  $x_1 \in C$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{\alpha_n}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s) x_n \, ds + (1 - \alpha_n) x_n \tag{4.1}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in [0,1] satisfying  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$  and  $\limsup_n \alpha_n < 1$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

From the results of Edelstein and O'Brien [9], and Reich [18], we obtain the following theorem.

THEOREM 4.2. Let E be a Banach space. Suppose either of the following holds:

- (i) *E* is strictly convex and has the Opial property; or
- (ii) *E* is uniformly convex and its norm is Fréchet differentiable.

Let C be a weakly compact convex subset of E, and let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on C. Fix  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in C by  $x_1 \in C$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{\alpha}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s) x_n \, ds + (1 - \alpha) x_n \tag{4.2}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\alpha$  is a constant number in (0,1). Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

We note that

$$x \longmapsto (1 - \alpha)Tx + \alpha u \tag{4.3}$$

is a contractive mapping if *T* is a nonexpansive mapping and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . By the Banach contraction principle [3], such mappings have a unique fixed point. From the results of Browder [5], and Wittmann [24], we obtain the following theorem; see also [12]. Compare Theorem 4.3 with Theorems 1.2 and 1.3.

THEOREM 4.3. Let C be a bounded closed convex subset of a Hilbert space E, and let  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$  be a strongly continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on C. Fix  $u \in C$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in \mathbb{R}_+$  with  $t_1 < t_2$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in C by

$$x_n = \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s) x_n \, ds + \alpha_n u \tag{4.4}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in (0,1) converging to 0. Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ .

THEOREM 4.4. Let E, C,  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ , u,  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  be as in Theorem 4.3. Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in C by  $x_1 \in C$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{t_2 - t_1} \int_{t_1}^{t_2} T(s) x_n \, ds + \alpha_n u \tag{4.5}$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in [0,1] satisfying the following:

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \alpha_n = 0; \qquad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty; \qquad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < \infty.$$
(4.6)

*Then*  $\{x_n\}$  *converges strongly to a common fixed point of*  $\{T(t) : t \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$ *.* 

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