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Approximating Fixed Points of Some Maps in Uniformly Convex Metric Spaces

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We study strong convergence of the Ishikawa iterates of qasi-nonexpansive (generalized nonexpansive) maps and some related results in uniformly convex metric spaces. Our work improves and generalizes the corresponding results existing in the literature for uniformly convex Banach spaces.

1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Let C be a nonempty subset of a metric space (X, d) and let $T : C \rightarrow C$ be a map. Denote the set of fixed points of T , $\{x \in C : T(x) = x\}$ by F . The map T is said to be (i) quasi-nonexpansive if $F \neq \emptyset$ and $d(Tx, p) \leq d(x, p)$ for all $x \in C$ and $p \in F$, (ii) k -Lipschitz if for some $k > 0$, we have $d(Tx, Ty) \leq kd(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in C$; for $k = 1$, it becomes nonexpansive, and (iii) generalized nonexpansive (cf. [1] and the references therein) if

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq ad(x, y) + b\{d(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)\} + c\{d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)\} \quad (*)$$

for all $x, y \in C$ where $a, b, c \geq 0$ with $a + 2b + 2c \leq 1$.

The concept of quasi-nonexpansiveness is more general than that of nonexpansiveness. A nonexpansive map with at least one fixed point is quasi-nonexpansive but there are quasi-nonexpansive maps which are not nonexpansive [2].

Mann and Ishikawa type iterates for nonexpansive and quasi-nonexpansive maps have been extensively studied in uniformly convex Banach spaces [1, 3–6]. Senter and Dotson [7] established convergence of Mann type iterates of quasi-nonexpansive maps under a condition in uniformly convex Banach spaces. In 1973, Goebel et al. [8] proved that generalized nonexpansive self maps have fixed points in uniformly convex Banach spaces. Based on their work, Bose and Mukerjee [1] proved theorems for the convergence of Mann type iterates of generalized nonexpansive maps and obtained a result of Kannan [9] under relaxed conditions. Maiti and Ghosh [6] generalized the results of Bose and Mukerjee [1] for Ishikawa iterates by using modified conditions of Senter and Dotson [7] (see, also [10]). For the sake of completeness, we state the result of Kannan [9] and its generalization by Bose and Mukerjee [1].

Theorem 1.1 (see [9]). *Let C be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space. Let T be a map of C into itself such that*

- (i) $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq (1/2)\|x - Tx\| + (1/2)\|y - Ty\|$ for all $x, y \in C$,
- (ii) $\sup_{z \in K} \|z - Tz\| \leq \delta(K)/2$, where K is any nonempty convex subset of C which is mapped into itself by T and $\delta(K)$ is the diameter of K .

Then the sequence $\{x_n\}$ defined by $x_{n+1} = (1/2)x_n + (1/2)Tx_n$ converges to the fixed point of T , where x_1 is any arbitrary point of C .

Theorem 1.2 (see [1]). *Let C be a nonempty, bounded, closed, and convex subset of a uniformly convex Banach space. Let T be a map of C into itself such that*

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq a\|x - y\| + b\{\|x - Tx\| + \|y - Ty\|\} + c\{\|x - Ty\| + \|y - Tx\|\} \quad (1.1)$$

for all $x, y \in C$ where $a, b, c \geq 0$ and $3a + 2b + 4c \leq 1$. Define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in C for $x_1 \in C$, $x_{n+1} = (1 - \alpha_n)x_n + \alpha_nTx_n$, for all $n \geq 1$, where $0 < \beta \leq \alpha_n \leq \gamma < 1$. Then $\{x_n\}$ converges to a fixed point of T .

In Theorem 1.2, taking $a = c = 0$, $b = 1/2$, and $\alpha_n = 1/2$ for all $n \geq 1$, it becomes Theorem 1.1 without requiring condition (ii).

In 1970, Takahashi [11] introduced a notion of convexity in a metric space (X, d) as follows: a map $W : X \times X \times I \rightarrow X$ is a convex structure in X if

$$d(u, W(x, y, \lambda)) \leq \lambda d(u, x) + (1 - \lambda)d(u, y) \quad (1.2)$$

for all $x, y \in X$ and $\lambda \in I = [0, 1]$. A metric space together with a convex structure is said to be convex metric space. A nonempty subset C of a convex metric space is convex if $W(x, y, \lambda) \in C$ for all $x, y \in C$ and $\lambda \in I$. In fact, every normed space and its convex subsets are convex metric spaces but the converse is not true, in general (see [11]). Later on, Shimizu and Takahashi [12] obtained some fixed point theorems for nonexpansive maps in convex metric spaces. This notion of convexity has been used in [13–15] to study Mann and Ishikawa iterations in convex metric spaces. For other fixed point results in the closely related classes of spaces, namely, hyperbolic and hyperconvex metric spaces, we refer to [16–19].

In the sequel, we assume that C is a nonempty convex subset of a convex metric space X and T is a selfmap on C . For an initial value $x_1 \in C$, we define the Ishikawa iteration scheme in C as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &\in C, \\ x_{n+1} &= W(Ty_n, x_n, \alpha_n), \\ y_n &= W(Tx_n, x_n, \beta_n) \quad \forall n \geq 1, \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

where $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{\beta_n\}$ are control sequences in $[0, 1]$.

If we choose $\beta_n = 0$, then (1.3) reduces to the following Mann iteration scheme:

$$x_1 \in C, \quad x_{n+1} = W(Tx_n, x_n, \alpha_n), \quad \forall n \geq 1, \quad (1.4)$$

where $\{\alpha_n\}$ is a control sequence in $[0, 1]$.

If X is a normed space with C as its convex subset, then $W(x, y, \lambda) = \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y$ is a convex structure in X ; consequently (1.3) and (1.4), respectively, become

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &\in C, \quad x_{n+1} = (1 - \alpha_n)x_n + \alpha_n Ty_n, \\ y_n &= (1 - \beta_n)x_n + \beta_n Tx_n \quad \forall n \geq 1. \\ x_1 &\in C, \quad x_{n+1} = (1 - \alpha_n)x_n + \alpha_n Tx_n, \quad \forall n \geq 1, \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

where $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{\beta_n\}$ are control sequences in $[0, 1]$.

A convex metric space X is said to be uniformly convex [11] if for arbitrary positive numbers ϵ and r , there exists $\alpha(\epsilon) > 0$ such that

$$d\left(z, W\left(x, y, \frac{1}{2}\right)\right) \leq r(1 - \alpha) \quad (1.6)$$

whenever $x, y, z \in X, d(z, x) \leq r, d(z, y) \leq r$ and $d(x, y) \geq r\epsilon$.

In 1989, Maiti and Ghosh [6] generalized the two conditions due to Senter and Dotson [7]. We state all these conditions in convex metric spaces:

Let T be a map with nonempty fixed point set F and $d(x, F) = \inf_{p \in F} d(x, p)$. Then T is said to satisfy the following Conditions.

Condition 1. If there is a nondecreasing function $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $f(0) = 0$ and $f(r) > 0$ for all $r > 0$ such that $d(x, Tx) \geq f(d(x, F))$ for $x \in C$.

Condition 2. If there exists a real number $k > 0$ such that $d(x, Tx) \geq kd(x, F)$ for $x \in C$.

Condition 3. If there is a nondecreasing function $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with $f(0) = 0$ and $f(r) > 0$ for all $r > 0$ such that $d(x, Ty) \geq f(d(x, F))$ for $x \in C$ and all corresponding $y = W(Tx, x, t)$ where $0 \leq t \leq \beta < 1$.

Condition 4. If there exists a real number $k > 0$ such that $d(x, Ty) \geq kd(x, F)$ for $x \in C$ and all corresponding $y = W(Tx, x, t)$ where $0 \leq t \leq \beta < 1$.

Note that if T satisfies Condition 1 (resp., 3), then it satisfies Condition 2 (resp., 4). We also note that Conditions 1 and 2 become Conditions A and B, respectively, of Senter and Dotson [7] while Conditions 3 and 4 become Conditions I and II, respectively, of Maiti and Ghosh [6] in a normed space. Further, Conditions 3 and 4 reduce to Conditions 1 and 2, respectively, when $t = 0$.

In this note, we present results under relaxed control conditions which generalize the corresponding results of Kannan [9], Bose and Mukerjee [1], and Maiti and Ghosh [6] from uniformly convex Banach spaces to uniformly convex metric spaces. We present sufficient conditions for the convergence of Ishikawa iterates of k -Lipschitz maps to their fixed points in convex metric spaces and improve [3, Lemma 2]. A necessary and sufficient condition is obtained for the convergence of a sequence to fixed point of a generalized nonexpansive map in metric spaces.

We need the following fundamental result for the developmant of our results.

Theorem 1.3 (see [20]). *Let X be a uniformly convex metric space with a continuous convex structure $W : X \times X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$. Then for arbitrary positive numbers ϵ and r , there exists $\alpha(\epsilon) > 0$ such that*

$$d(z, W(x, y, \lambda)) \leq r(1 - 2 \min\{\lambda, 1 - \lambda\}\alpha) \quad (1.7)$$

for all $x, y, z \in X, d(z, x) \leq r, d(z, y) \leq r, d(x, y) \geq r\epsilon$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$.

2. Convergence Analysis

We prove a lemma which plays key role to establish strong convergence of the iterative schemes (1.3) and (1.4).

Lemma 2.1. *Let X be a uniformly convex metric space. Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of $X, T : C \rightarrow C$ a quasi-nonexpansive map and $\{x_n\}$ as in (1.3). If $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ and $0 \leq \beta_n \leq \beta < 1$, then $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Ty_n) = 0$.*

Proof. For $p \in F$, we consider

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, p) &= d(p, W(Ty_n, x_n, \alpha_n)) \\ &\leq \alpha_n d(p, Ty_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) d(p, x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha_n d(p, y_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) d(p, x_n) \\ &= \alpha_n d(p, W(Tx_n, x_n, \beta_n)) + (1 - \alpha_n) d(p, x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha_n \beta_n d(p, Tx_n) + \alpha_n (1 - \beta_n) d(p, x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) d(p, x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha_n \beta_n d(p, x_n) + \alpha_n (1 - \beta_n) d(p, x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) d(p, x_n) \\ &= d(x_n, p). \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

This implies that the sequence $\{d(x_n, p)\}$ is nonincreasing and bounded below. Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, p)$ exists. We may assume that $c = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, p) > 0$.

For any $p \in F$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_n, Ty_n) &\leq d(x_n, p) + d(Ty_n, p) \\
 &\leq d(x_n, p) + d(y_n, p) \\
 &= d(x_n, p) + d(p, W(Tx_n, x_n, \beta_n)) \\
 &\leq d(x_n, p) + \beta_n d(Tx_n, p) + (1 - \beta_n) d(x_n, p) \\
 &\leq d(x_n, p) + \beta_n d(x_n, p) + (1 - \beta_n) d(x_n, p) \\
 &= 2d(x_n, p).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, p)$ exists, so $d(x_n, Ty_n)$ is bounded and hence $\inf_{n \geq 1} d(x_n, Ty_n)$ exists. We show that $\inf_{n \geq 1} d(x_n, Ty_n) = 0$. Assume that $\inf_{n \geq 1} d(x_n, Ty_n) = \sigma > 0$.

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_n, Ty_n) &\geq d(x_n, p) \cdot \frac{\sigma}{d(x_n, p)} \\
 &\geq d(x_n, p) \cdot \frac{\sigma}{d(x_1, p)}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Hence by Theorem 1.3, there exists $\alpha(\sigma/d(x_1, p)) > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_{n-1}, p) &= d(W(Ty_n, x_n, \alpha_n), p) \\
 &\leq d(x_n, p)(1 - 2\min\{\alpha_n, 1 - \alpha_n\}\alpha) \\
 &\leq d(x_n, p)(1 - 2\alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n)\alpha).
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

That is,

$$2c\alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n)\alpha \leq d(x_n, p) - d(x_{n+1}, p). \tag{2.5}$$

Taking $m \geq 1$ and summing up the $(m + 1)$ terms on the both sides in the above inequality, we have

$$2c\alpha \sum_{n=1}^m \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) \leq d(p, x_1) - d(p, x_m) \quad \forall m \geq 1. \tag{2.6}$$

Let $m \rightarrow \infty$. Then, we have

$$\infty \leq d(p, x_1) < \infty. \tag{2.7}$$

This is contradiction and hence $\inf_{n \geq 1} d(x_n, Ty_n) = 0$. \square

In the light of above result, we can construct subsequences $\{x_{n_i}\}$ and $\{y_{n_i}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$, respectively, such that $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n_i}, Ty_{n_i}) = 0$ and hence $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Ty_n) = 0$.

Now we state and prove Ishikawa type convergence result in uniformly convex metric spaces.

Theorem 2.2. *Let X be a uniformly convex complete metric space with continuous convex structure and let C be its nonempty closed convex subset. Let T be a continuous quasi-nonexpansive map of C into itself satisfying Condition 3. If $\{x_n\}$ is as in (1.3), where $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ and $0 \leq \beta_n \leq \beta < 1$, then $\{x_n\}$ converges to a fixed point of T .*

Proof. In Lemma 2.1, we have shown that $d(x_{n+1}, p) \leq d(x_n, p)$. Therefore $d(x_{n+1}, F) \leq d(x_n, F)$. This implies that the sequence $\{d(x_n, F)\}$ is nonincreasing and bounded below. Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, F)$ exists. Now by Condition 3, we have

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(d(x_n, F)) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(Ty_n, x_n) = 0. \quad (2.8)$$

Using the properties of f , we have $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, F) = 0$. As $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, F)$ exists, therefore $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, F) = 0$.

Now, we show that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence. For $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a constant n_0 such that for all $n \geq n_0$, we have $d(x_n, F) < \epsilon/4$. In particular, $d(x_{n_0}, F) < \epsilon/4$. That is, $\inf\{d(x_{n_0}, p) : p \in F\} < \epsilon/4$. There must exist $p^* \in F$ such that $d(x_{n_0}, p^*) < \epsilon/2$. Now, for $m, n \geq n_0$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+m}, x_n) &\leq d(x_{n+m}, p^*) + d(x_n, p^*) \\ &\leq 2d(x_{n_0}, p^*) \\ &< \epsilon. \end{aligned} \quad (2.9)$$

This proves that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in C . Since C is a closed subset of a complete metric space X , therefore it must converge to a point q in C .

Finally, we prove that q is a fixed point of T .

Since

$$d(q, F) \leq d(q, x_n) + d(x_n, F), \quad (2.10)$$

therefore $d(q, F) = 0$. As F is closed, so $q \in F$. □

Choose $\beta_n = 0$ for all $n \geq 1$, in the above theorem; it reduces to the following Mann type convergence result.

Theorem 2.3. *Let X be a uniformly convex complete metric space with continuous convex structure and let C be its nonempty closed convex subset. Let T be a continuous quasi-nonexpansive map of C into itself satisfying Condition 1. If $\{x_n\}$ is as in (1.4), where $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$, then $\{x_n\}$ converges to a fixed point of T .*

Next we establish strong convergence of Ishikawa iterates of a generalized nonexpansive map.

Theorem 2.4. Let X and C be as in Theorem 2.3. Let T be a continuous generalised nonexpansive map of C into itself with at least one fixed point. If $\{x_n\}$ is as in (1.3), where $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ and $0 \leq \beta_n \leq \beta < 1$, then $\{x_n\}$ converges to a fixed point of T .

Proof. Let p be any fixed point of T . Then setting $y = p$ in (*), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(Tx, p) &\leq (a + c)d(x, p) + bd(x, Tx) + cd(Tx, p) \\ &\leq (a + b + c)d(x, p) + (b + c)d(Tx, p), \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

which implies

$$d(Tx, p) \leq \frac{a + b + c}{1 - b - c} d(x, p) \leq d(x, p). \quad (2.12)$$

Thus T is quasi-nonexpansive.

For any $y \in C$, we also observe that

$$d(Ty, p) \leq (a + c)d(y, p) + bd(y, Ty) + cd(Ty, p). \quad (2.13)$$

If $y = W(Tx, x, t)$, where $0 \leq t \leq \beta < 1$, then

$$\begin{aligned} d(y, p) &= d(W(Tx, x, t), p) \\ &\leq td(Tx, p) + (1 - t)d(x, p) \\ &\leq d(x, p), \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(y, x) &= d(W(Tx, x, t), x) \\ &\leq td(x, Tx) + (1 - t)d(x, x) \\ &= td(x, Tx) \\ &\leq t[d(x, p) + d(Tx, p)] \\ &\leq 2td(x, p). \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

Using (2.14) in (2.13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(Ty, p) &\leq (a + c)d(y, p) + bd(y, Ty) + cd(Ty, p) \\ &\leq (a + c)d(y, p) + c\{d(x, p) + d(x, Ty)\} + b\{d(x, y) + d(x, Ty)\} \\ &\leq (a + 2c)d(x, p) + bd(x, y) + (b + c)d(x, Ty). \end{aligned} \quad (2.16)$$

Also it is obvious that

$$d(Ty, p) \geq d(x, p) - d(x, Ty). \quad (2.17)$$

Combining (2.16) and (2.17), we get that

$$\begin{aligned} bd(x, y) + (1 + b + c)d(x, Ty) &\geq (1 - a - 2c)d(x, p) \\ &\geq 2bd(x, p). \end{aligned} \quad (2.18)$$

Now inserting (2.15) in (2.18), we derive

$$\begin{aligned} (1 + b + c)d(x, Ty) &\geq 2bd(x, p) - bd(x, y) \\ &\geq 2b(1 - t)d(x, p). \end{aligned} \quad (2.19)$$

That is,

$$d(x, Ty) \geq \frac{2b(1 - t)}{1 + b + c}d(x, p) \geq \frac{2b(1 - \beta)}{1 + b + c}d(x, p), \quad (2.20)$$

where $2b(1 - t)/(1 + b + c) > 0$. Thus T satisfies Condition 4 (and hence Condition 3). The result now follows from Theorem 2.2. \square

Remark 2.5. In the above theorem, we have assumed that the generalised nonexpansive map T has a fixed point. It remains an open questions: what conditions on a, b , and c in (*) are sufficient to guarantee the existence of a fixed point of T even in the setting of a metric space.

Choose $\beta_n = 0$ for all $n \geq 1$ in Theorem 2.4 to get the following Mann type convergence result.

Theorem 2.6. *Let X, C , and T be as in Theorem 2.4. If $\{x_n\}$ is as in (1.4), where $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$, then $\{x_n\}$ converges to a fixed point of T .*

Proof. For $\beta_n = 0$ for all $n \geq 1$, $y = W(Tx, x, 0) = x$, the inequality (2.20) in the proof of Theorem 2.4 becomes

$$d(x, Tx) \geq \frac{2b}{1 + b + c}d(x, p). \quad (2.21)$$

Thus T satisfies Condition 2 (and hence Condition 1) and so the result follows from Theorem 2.3. \square

The analogue of Kannan result in uniformly convex metric space can be deduced from Theorem 2.6 (by taking $a = c = 0, b = 1/2$, and $\alpha_n = 1/2$ for all $n \geq 1$) as follows.

Theorem 2.7. *Let X be a uniformly convex complete metric space with continuous convex structure and let C be its nonempty closed convex subset. Let T be a continuous map of C into itself with at least one fixed point such that $d(Tx, Ty) \leq (1/2)d(x, Tx) + (1/2)d(y, Ty)$ for all $x, y \in C$. Then the sequence $\{x_n\}$ where $x_1 \in C$ and $x_{n+1} = W(Tx_n, x_n, 1/2)$ converges to a fixed point of T .*

Next we give sufficient conditions for the existence of fixed point of a k -Lipschitz map in terms of the Ishikawa iterates.

Theorem 2.8. Let (X, d) be a convex metric space and let C be its nonempty convex subset. Let T be a k -Lipschitz selfmap of C . Let $\{x_n\}$ be the sequence as in (1.3), where $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{\beta_n\}$ satisfy (i) $0 \leq \alpha_n, \beta_n \leq 1$ for all $n \geq 1$ (ii) $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n > 0$ and (iii) $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < k^{-1}$. If $d(x_{n+1}, x_n) = \alpha_n d(x_n, Ty_n)$ and $x_n \rightarrow p$, then p is a fixed point of T .

Proof. Let $p \in C$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
d(p, Tp) &\leq d(x_n, p) + d(x_n, Ty_n) + d(Ty_n, Tp) \\
&= d(x_n, p) + \frac{1}{a_n} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + d(Ty_n, Tp) \\
&\leq d(x_n, p) + \frac{1}{a_n} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + kd(y_n, p) \\
&= d(x_n, p) + \frac{1}{a_n} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + kd(W(Tx_n, x_n, \beta_n), p) \\
&\leq d(x_n, p) + \frac{1}{a_n} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + k\{\beta_n d(Tx_n, p) + (1 - \beta_n)d(x_n, p)\} \\
&\leq d(x_n, p) + \frac{1}{a_n} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + k\beta_n\{d(Tx_n, Tp) + d(p, Tp)\} \\
&\quad + k(1 - \beta_n)d(x_n, p).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.22}$$

That is,

$$(1 - k\beta_n)d(p, Tp) \leq \left(1 + k^2\beta_n + k(1 - \beta_n)\right)d(x_n, p) + \frac{1}{a_n}d(x_{n+1}, x_n), \tag{2.23}$$

Since $\liminf a_n > 0$, therefore there exists $a > 0$ such that $a_n > a$ for all $n \geq 1$. This implies that

$$(1 - k\beta_n)d(p, Tp) \leq \left(1 + k^2\beta_n + k(1 - \beta_n)\right)d(x_n, p) + \frac{1}{a}d(x_{n+1}, x_n), \tag{2.24}$$

Taking \limsup on both the sides in the above inequality and using the condition $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < k^{-1}$, we have $d(p, Tp) = 0$. \square

Finally, using a generalized nonexpansive map T on a metric space X , we provide a necessary and sufficient condition for the convergence of an arbitrary sequence $\{x_n\}$ in X to a fixed point of T in terms of the approximating sequence $\{d(x_n, Tx_n)\}$.

Theorem 2.9. Suppose that C is a closed subset of a complete metric space (X, d) and $T : C \rightarrow C$ is a continuous map such that for some $a, b, c \geq 0$, $a + 2c < 1$, the following inequality holds:

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq ad(x, y) + b\{d(x, Tx) + d(y, Ty)\} + c\{d(x, Ty) + d(y, Tx)\} \tag{2.25}$$

for all $x, y \in C$. Then a sequence $\{x_n\}$ in C converges to a fixed point of T if and only if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$.

Proof. Suppose that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$. First we show that $\{x_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in C . To achieve this goal, consider:

$$\begin{aligned}
d(Tx_n, Tx_m) &\leq ad(x_n, x_m) + b\{d(x_n, Tx_n) + d(x_m, Tx_m)\} \\
&\quad + c\{d(x_n, Tx_m) + d(x_m, Tx_n)\} \\
&\leq ad(x_n, x_m) + b\{d(x_n, Tx_n) + d(x_m, Tx_m)\} \\
&\quad + c\{d(x_n, x_m) + d(x_m, Tx_m) + d(x_m, x_n) + d(x_n, Tx_n)\} \\
&= (a + 2c)d(x_n, x_m) \\
&\quad + (b + c)\{d(x_n, Tx_n) + d(x_m, Tx_m)\} \\
&\leq (a + b + 3c)\{d(x_n, Tx_n) + d(x_m, Tx_m)\} \\
&\quad + (a + 2c)d(Tx_n, Tx_m).
\end{aligned} \tag{2.26}$$

That is,

$$(1 - a - 2c)d(Tx_n, Tx_m) \leq (a + b + 3c)\{d(x_n, Tx_n) + d(x_m, Tx_m)\}. \tag{2.27}$$

Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$ and $a + 2c < 1$, therefore from the above inequality, it follows that $\{Tx_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in C . In view of closedness of C , this sequence converges to an element p of C . Also $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$ gives that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = p$. Now using the continuity of T , we have $T(p) = T(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T(x_n) = p$. Hence p is a fixed point of T .

Conversely, suppose that $\{x_n\}$ converges to a fixed point p of T . Using the continuity of T , we have that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Tx_n = p$. Thus $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$. \square

Remark 2.10. Theorem 2.8 improves Lemma 2 in [3] from real line to convex metric space setting. Theorem 2.9 is an extension of Theorem 4 in [21] to metric spaces. If we choose $c = 0$ in Theorem 2.9, it is still an improvement of [21, Theorem 4].

Remark 2.11. We have proved our results (2.1)–(2.8) in convex metric space setting. All these results, in particular, hold in Banach spaces if we set $W(x, y, \lambda) = \lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y$.

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