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## COMMON FIXED POINTS FOR LIPSCHITZIAN SEMIGROUPS

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ABSTRACT. Lim and Xu [4] established a fixed point theorem for uniformly Lipschitzian mappings in metric spaces with uniform normal structure. Recently, Huang and Hong [1] extended hyperconvex metric space version of this theorem, by showing a common fixed point theorem for left reversible uniformly k-Lipschitzian semigroups. In this paper, we extend Huang and Hong's theorem to metric spaces with uniform normal structure.

## 1. INTRODUCTION AND MAIN RESULTS

Throughout this paper, (X, d) stands for a metric space, a nonempty family  $\mathcal{F}$  of subsets of X is said to define a convexity structure on X if it is stable by intersection. Recall that a subset of X is said admissible if it is an intersection of closed balls. We denote, by  $\mathcal{A}(X)$  the family of all admissible subsets of X. Obviously,  $\mathcal{A}(X)$  defines a convexity structure on X. In this paper any convexity structure  $\mathcal{F}$  on X is always assumed to contain  $\mathcal{A}(X)$ . For  $r \geq 0$  and x in X and a bounded subset M of X, we adopt the following notation:

B(x,r) is the closed ball centered at x with radius r,

$$r(x, M) = \sup\{d(x, y) : y \in M\},\$$
  
$$\delta(M) = \sup\{r(x, M) : x \in M\},\$$
  
$$R(M) = \inf\{r(x, M) : x \in M\}.$$

**Definition 1.1** ([2]). A metric space (X, d) is said to have normal (resp. uniform normal) structure if there exists a convexity structure  $\mathcal{F}$  on X such that  $R(A) < \delta(A)$  (resp.  $R(A) \leq c\delta(A)$  for some constant  $c \in (0, 1)$ ) for all A in  $\mathcal{F}$  which is bounded and  $\delta(A) > 0$ . It is also said that  $\mathcal{F}$  is normal and (resp. uniformly normal).

The uniform normal structure coefficient N(X) of X relative to  $\mathcal{F}$  is the number

$$\sup\{\frac{R(A)}{\delta(A)}: A \in \mathcal{F} \text{ is bounded and } \delta(A) > 0\}.$$

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**Definition 1.2** ([3]). Let (X, d) a metric space and  $\mathcal{T}$  is the family of subsets of X consisting of X and sets which are complements of closed balls of X. The weak topology (also called ball topology) on X is the topology whose open sets are generated by  $\mathcal{T}$ .

It is clear that X is compact in the weak topology if and only if every subfamily of  $\mathcal{A}(X)$  with the finite intersection property has nonempty intersection.

Kulesza and Lim proved the following result.

**Lemma 1.3** ([3]). Every complete metric space with uniform normal structure is compact in the weak topology.

For a bounded subset A of X, the admissible hull of A, denoted by ad(A), is the set

$$\cap \{B : A \subseteq B \subseteq X \text{ with } B \text{ admissible} \}.$$

The following definition is a net version of [4, def. 5].

**Definition 1.4** ([1]). A metric space (X, d) is said to have the property (P) if given any two bounded nets  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$  and  $\{z_i\}_{i \in I}$  in X, one can find some  $z \in \bigcap_{i \in I} \operatorname{ad}\{z_j : j \ge i\}$  such that

$$\overline{\lim}_{i \in I} d(z, x_i) \le \overline{\lim}_{j \in I} \overline{\lim}_{i \in I} d(z_j, x_i),$$

where  $\overline{\lim}_{i \in I} d(z, x_i) = \inf_{\beta \in I} \sup_{i \ge \beta} d(z, x_i).$ 

**Remark 1.5.** If X has uniform normal structure, then  $\bigcap_{i \in I} \operatorname{ad}\{z_j : j \ge i\} \ne \emptyset$ (by Lemma 1.3). Also, if X is a weakly compact convex subset of a normed linear space, then admissible hulls are closed convex and  $\bigcap_{i \in I} \operatorname{ad}\{z_j : j \ge i\} \ne \emptyset$  by weak compactness of X and that X possesses property (P) follows directly from the weak lower semicontinuity of the function  $x \mapsto \overline{\lim_{i \in I} \|x_i - x\|}$ .

The following Lemma is a net version of [4, lemma. 5].

**Lemma 1.6.** Let (X, d) be a complete bounded metric space with both property (P)and uniform normal structure. Then for any net  $\{x_i\}_{i \in I}$  in X and any  $\overline{c} > N(X)$ , the normal structure coefficient with respect to the given convexity structure  $\mathcal{F}$ , there exists a point  $z \in X$  satisfying the properties:

- (i)  $\overline{\lim}_{i \in I} d(z, x_i) \leq \overline{c} \delta(\{x_i\}_{i \in I});$
- (ii)  $d(z,y) \leq \overline{\lim}_{i \in I} d(x_i,y)$  for all  $y \in X$ .

*Proof.* Using the Lemma 1.3 to conclude that  $\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i \neq \emptyset$  for any deceasing net  $\{A_i\}_{i \in I}$  of admissible subsets of X, the rest of the proof of lemma is the same as that in Lim et al. [4].

Let S be a semigroup of selfmaps on a metric space (X, d). For any  $x \in X$  (resp.  $b \in S$ ), we denote by Sx (resp. bS) the subset  $\{gx : g \in S\}$  (resp  $\{bg : g \in S\}$ ) of X (resp. of S). Recall that a semigroup S is said to be left reversible if, for any f, g in S, there are a, b in S such that fa = gb. Examples of left reversible semigroups include all commutative semigroups and all groups.

Let S be a left semigroup. For a, b in S we say that  $a \ge b$  if  $a \in bS \cup \{b\}$ . Then  $(S, \ge)$  is a directed set. In what follows in this paper, we deal only with " $\ge$ ".

**Definition 1.7** ([1]). A semigroup S acting on a metric space (X, d) is said to be a uniformly k-Lipschitzian semigroup if

$$d(tx, ty) \le kd(x, y)$$

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for all t in S and all x, y in X.

If S is a left reversible semigroup, then  $(S, \geq)$  is a linearly directed set if any a, bin S satisfy either  $a \geq b$  or  $b \geq a$ . For example, if  $\Delta = \{T_s : s \in [0, \infty)\}$  is a family of selfmaps on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that  $T_{h+t}(x) = T_h T_t(x)$  for all h, t in  $[0, \infty)$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $(\Delta, \geq)$  is a linearly directed left reversible semigroup.

## Our main result is as follows.

**Theorem 1.8.** Let (X,d) be a complete bounded metric space with both property (P) and uniform normal structure and let S be a left reversible uniformly k-Lipschitzian semigroup of selfmaps on X such that  $k < N(X)^{-1/2}$  and  $(S, \geq)$  is a linearly directed set. Then S has a common fixed point z in X.

*Proof.* Choose a constant  $\overline{c}$ ,  $1 > \overline{c} > N(X)$ , such that  $k < \overline{c}^{-1/2}$ . Fix an  $x_0 \in X$ . For  $t \in S$ , denote  $tx_0$  by  $x_{0,t}$ . Then  $\{x_{o,t}\}$  is a net in X. By Lemma 1.6, we can inductively construct a sequence  $\{x_i\} \subset X$  such that for each integer  $j \leq 0$ ,

(a)  $\overline{\lim}_{t\in S} d(x_{j+1}, x_{j,t}) \leq \overline{c}\delta(Sx_j);$ 

(b)  $d(x_{j+1}, y) \leq \overline{\lim}_{t \in S} d(x_{j,t}, y)$  for all y in X.

Write

$$D_j = \overline{\lim}_{t \in S} d(x_{j+1}, x_{j,t})$$
 and  $h = \overline{c}k^2 < 1$ .

The rest of the proof of Theorem is the same as that in Huang and Hong [1].  $\Box$ 

**Remark 1.9.** It can be seen from the above that the conclusion of main theorem is still valid if we only assume that  $\mathcal{A}(X)$ , the family of all admissible subsets of X, is uniformly normal.

The following corollary follows immediately from the main Theorem.

**Corollary 1.10** (Huang and Hong [1]). Let (X, d) be a bounded hyperconvex metric space with both property (P) and let S be a left reversible uniformly k-Lipschitzian semigroup of selfmaps on X such that  $k < \sqrt{2}$  and  $(S, \geq)$  is a linearly directed set. Then S has a common fixed point z in X.

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