

## Approximation of fixed points in 2-Hilbert spaces

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### Abstract

It is well known that from any point  $x$  in a real uniformly convex Banach space  $X$  to any of its closed convex subsets  $B$ , there exists a unique point  $\bar{x}$  in  $B$  called the metric projection of  $x$  on  $B$  which has the minimal distance to  $x$ . We extend the notion of metric projection to uniformly convex 2-Banach spaces. We also extend the definition of weakly contractive in 2-normed space and proved the fixed point theorem of nonself maps in 2-Hilbert spaces. Moreover, we defined uniform smoothness of 2-normed spaces and proved some theorems relating uniform smoothness and uniform convexity in 2-normed spaces.

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### 1. Introduction

S. Gähler, in 1965, has initiated the notion of linear 2-normed spaces, [9]. Gähler, White, Diminnic, Newton, and other various workers have studied the geometric structure of linear 2-normed space. The first two workers extended the concept to 2-Banach spaces, where A. White [1] established Hahn-Banach theorem in a 2-Banach space. Also, the concept of uniform convexity of 2-normed spaces has been defined by M.E. Newton [4]. Now in this paper, we extend the notion of uniform smoothness of Banach spaces to the 2-normed spaces. Besides, we also extend some theorems to the case of uniformly convex uniformly smooth 2-normed spaces. Moreover, we prove the existence of nearest point in these spaces and the approximation of fixed points in 2-Hilbert spaces.

**Definition 1.1.** [1,7,9] Let  $X$  be a real linear space of  $\dim X \geq 2$  and let  $\|.,.\|$  be a real valued function on  $X \times X$  satisfying the following conditions:

1.  $\|x, y\| = 0$  if and only if  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly dependent,
2.  $\|x, y\| = \|y, x\| \forall x, y \in X$ ,
3.  $\|\alpha x, y\| = |\alpha| \|x, y\| \forall x, y \in X$  and  $\alpha \in R$ ,
4.  $\|x, y + z\| \leq \|x, y\| + \|x, z\| \forall x, y, z \in X$ .

$\|., .\|$  is called a 2-norm on  $X$  and  $(X, \|., .\|)$  is called a linear 2-normed space.

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is called a Cauchy sequence in a linear 2-normed space  $(X, \|., .\|)$  if  $\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x_m, c\| = 0$  for all  $c \in X$ . A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent to an element  $x$  in a linear 2-normed space  $(X, \|., .\|)$  if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x, c\| = 0$  for all  $c \in X$ . If every Cauchy sequence in  $X$  converges to a point of  $X$ , then a linear 2-normed space  $(X, \|., .\|)$  is said to be a 2-Banach space.

**Definition 1.2.** [3,7] Let  $X$  be a real linear space with  $\dim X > 1$  and let  $\langle ., ./.\rangle$  be a real valued function on  $X \times X \times X$  which satisfies the following conditions:

1.  $\langle x, x/y \rangle \geq 0$  and  $\langle x, x/y \rangle = 0$  iff  $x$  and  $y$  are linearly dependent,
2.  $\langle x, x/y \rangle = \langle y, y/x \rangle$  for all  $x, y \in X$ ,
3.  $\langle x, y/z \rangle = \langle y, x/z \rangle$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$ ,
4.  $\langle \alpha x, y/z \rangle = \alpha \langle x, y/z \rangle$  for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and scalars  $\alpha \in R$ ,
5.  $\langle x_1 + x_2, y/z \rangle = \langle x_1, y/z \rangle + \langle x_2, y/z \rangle$  for all  $x_1, x_2, y, z \in X$ .

$\langle ., ./.\rangle$  is called a 2-inner product and  $(X, \langle ., ./.\rangle)$  is called a real 2-inner product space.

Every 2-inner product space  $(X, \langle ., ./.\rangle)$  is a linear 2-normed space with the 2-norm  $\|x, y\| = \sqrt{\langle x, x/y \rangle}$ . This norm satisfies the Parallelogram Law ( $\|x + y, z\|^2 + \|x - y, z\|^2 = 2(\|x, z\|^2 + \|y, z\|^2)$ ). On the other hand, if the 2-norm satisfies the Parallelogram Law, then it generates the 2-inner product space with the 2-inner product  $\langle x, y/z \rangle = 1/4(\|x + y, z\|^2 - \|x - y, z\|^2)$ . Any complete 2-inner product space  $H$  is said to be a 2-Hilbert space. The Cauchy-Schwarz's inequality takes the form:  $\langle x, y/z \rangle \leq \sqrt{\langle x, x/z \rangle} \sqrt{\langle y, y/z \rangle} = \|x, z\| \|y, z\|$ .

**Definition 1.3.** [7] Let  $(X, \|., .\|)$  be a linear 2-normed space. Let  $L, M$  be linear manifolds of  $X$ . A functional  $f : L \times M \rightarrow R$  is said to be bilinear functional if it satisfies the following conditions:

1.  $f(a + c, b + d) = f(a, b) + f(a, d) + f(c, b) + f(c, d)$  for all  $(a, b), (c, d) \in L \times M$ ,
2.  $f(\alpha a, \beta b) = \alpha \beta f(a, b)$  for all  $\alpha, \beta \in R$  and all  $(a, b) \in L \times M$ .

A functional  $f : L \times M \rightarrow R$  is said to be bounded functional if there is a real number  $K > 0$  such that  $|f(a, b)| \leq K \|a, b\|$  for all  $(a, b) \in L \times M$ . Then, the number

$$\|f\| = \inf\{K > 0 : |f(a, b)| \leq K \|a, b\|; (a, b) \in L \times M\}$$

is called the norm of the bilinear bounded functional  $f$ .

**Remark 1.4.** For any  $c \neq 0$ , let  $V(c)$  be the linear manifold generated by  $c$ . By  $(X \times V(c))^*$  or  $X_c^*$  we denote the set of all bounded bilinear functionals  $f : X \times V(c) \rightarrow R$  equipped with the norm

$$\|f\| = \sup \left\{ \frac{|f(x, c)|}{\|x, c\|} : \|x, c\| \neq 0, (x, c) \in X \times V(c) \right\}.$$

Thus, the space  $(X_c^*, \|\cdot\|)$  is a Banach space.

**Definition 1.5.** [7] A functional  $f : L \times M \rightarrow R$  is said to be continuous at  $(a, b) \in L \times M$ , where  $L, M$  are linear manifolds of a linear 2-normed space, if for a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\min \left( \max_{(x,y) \in L \times M} \{ \|x - a, b\|, \|x, y - b\| \}, \max_{(x,y) \in L \times M} \{ \|x - a, y\|, \|a, y - b\| \} \right) < \delta.$$

This implies,  $|f(x, y) - f(a, b)| < \varepsilon$ . A functional  $f$  is said to be continuous if it is continuous at each point of its domain  $L \times M$ .

One can see that, the 2-norm  $\|\cdot, \cdot\|$  is a continuous functional.

**Theorem 1.6.** [5,7] Let  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a linear 2-normed space and  $x_o$  in  $X$  be a non-zero element. Let  $c \in X$  be an element such that  $x_o$  and  $c$  are linearly independent. Then, there exists a bounded bilinear functional  $f$  with domain  $X_c^*$  such that:

1.  $f(x_o, c) = \|x_o, c\|$ ,
2.  $\|f\| = 1$ .

**Definition 1.7.** [8] If  $X$  be a linear 2-normed space, then a mapping  $A : X \rightarrow X$  is said to be nonexpansive if  $A$  satisfies  $\|Ax - Ay, c\| \leq \|x - y, c\|$  for any  $x, y, c \in X$ .

**Lemma 1.8.** [2,6] Let  $\{\lambda_n\}$  be a sequence of nonnegative numbers, and  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a sequence of positive numbers such that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ . If the recursive inequality  $\lambda_{n+1} \leq \lambda_n - \alpha_n \psi(\lambda_n)$  holds, where  $\psi(\lambda)$  is a continuous strictly increasing function for all  $\lambda \geq 0$  with  $\psi(0) = 0$ , then:

1.  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

2. the estimate of the convergence rate  $\lambda_n \leq \Phi^{-1}(\Phi(\lambda_1) - \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \alpha_j)$  is satisfied, where

$$\Phi \text{ is defined by } \Phi(t) = \int \frac{dt}{\psi(t)}, \text{ and } \Phi^{-1} \text{ is the inverse function to } \Phi.$$

**Definition 1.9. [4]** A linear 2-normed space  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is said to be uniformly convex if for every  $\varepsilon$  in  $(0, 2]$  and  $c \neq 0$  in  $X$ , there exists a  $\delta(\varepsilon, c)$  such that  $\|x, c\| \leq 1, \|y, c\| \leq 1$  and  $\|x - y, c\| \geq \varepsilon$  imply that  $\|\frac{1}{2}(x + y), c\| \leq 1 - \delta(\varepsilon, c)$ .

**Example 1.10.** As  $R^3$  is a 2-Banach space, defined the norm

$$\|x, y\| = [(bf - ce)^2 + (cd - af)^2 + (ae - bd)^2]^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

where  $x = (a, b, c), y = (d, e, f)$ . Then, the space  $(R^3, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is uniformly convex linear 2-normed space.

## 2. Main Results

**Definition 2.1.** A linear 2-normed space  $X$  is said to be uniformly smooth if for a given  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $c \neq 0$  there exists a  $\delta(\varepsilon, c) > 0$  such that if  $\|x, c\| = 1$  and  $\|y, c\| \leq \delta$ , then

$$\|x + y, c\| + \|x - y, c\| < 2 + \varepsilon\|y, c\|.$$

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a linear 2-normed space with  $\dim X \geq 2$ . The modulus of smoothness of  $X$  is the function  $\rho_x : [0, \infty) \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  defined by

$$\rho_x(\tau, c) := \sup \left\{ \frac{\|x + y, c\| + \|x - y, c\|}{2} - 1 : \|x, c\| = 1; \|y, c\| = \tau \right\}.$$

**Theorem 2.3.** A linear 2-normed space  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is uniformly smooth if and only if  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho_x(t, c)}{t} = 0$  for any  $0 \neq c \in X$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is uniformly smooth and  $c \neq 0$  and if  $\varepsilon > 0$  is given, then there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\frac{\|x + y, c\| + \|x - y, c\|}{2} - 1 < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\|y, c\|$$

for every  $x$  and  $y$  in  $X$  with  $\|x, c\| = 1$  and  $\|y, c\| = \delta$ . This implies that  $\rho_x(t, c) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}t$  for every  $t < \delta$ .

Conversely, for all  $c \neq 0$  and given  $\varepsilon > 0$  suppose that there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\rho_x(t, c) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}t$  for every  $t < \delta$ . Let  $x$  and  $y$  be in  $X$  with  $\|x, c\| = 1$  and  $\|y, c\| = \delta$ .

Then, with  $t = \|y, c\|$  we have  $\|x + y, c\| + \|x - y, c\| < 2 + \varepsilon\|y, c\|$  and thus the space is uniformly smooth. ■

Now, we prove one of the fundamental links between Lindenstrauss duality formulas.

**Proposition 2.4.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a 2-Banach space. For every  $\tau > 0$ ,  $c \neq 0$ ,  $x$  in  $X$  with  $\|x, c\| = 1$  and  $f$  in  $X_c^*$  with  $\|f\| = 1$ , we have

$$(a) \quad \rho_X(\tau, c) = \sup \left\{ \frac{\tau\varepsilon}{2} - \delta_{X_c^*}(\varepsilon) : 0 < \varepsilon \leq 2 \right\},$$

$$(b) \quad \rho_{X_c^*}(\tau) = \sup \left\{ \frac{\tau\varepsilon}{2} - \delta_X(\varepsilon, c) : 0 < \varepsilon \leq 2 \right\}.$$

*Proof.* (a) Given  $\tau > 0$ ,  $c \neq 0$  in  $X$  and let  $f, g$  be in  $X_c^*$  with  $\|f\| = \|g\| = 1$ . For any  $\eta > 0$ , and using the definition of  $\|\cdot\|$  in  $X$  there exist  $x_o, y_o$  in  $X$  with  $\|x_o, c\| = \|y_o, c\| = 1$  such that

$$\|f + g\| - \eta \leq (f + g)(x_o, c) \quad \text{and} \quad \|f - g\| - \eta \leq (f - g)(y_o, c).$$

By adding both inequalities, we get

$$\|f + g\| + \tau\|f - g\| - 2 \leq f(x_o + \tau y_o, c) + g(x_o - \tau y_o, c) - 2 + \eta(1 + \tau).$$

Knowing that in a 2-Banach space,  $\|x, c\| = \sup\{|f(x, c)| : \|f\| = 1\}$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|f + g\| + \tau\|f - g\| - 2 &\leq \|x_o + \tau y_o, c\| + \|x_o - \tau y_o, c\| - 2 + \eta(1 + \tau) \\ &\leq 2\rho_X(\eta, c) + \eta(1 + \tau). \end{aligned}$$

If  $0 < \varepsilon \leq \|f - g\|$ , we have

$$\frac{\tau\varepsilon}{2} - \rho_X(\tau, c) - \frac{\eta}{2}(1 + \tau) \leq 1 - \left\| \frac{f + g}{2} \right\|,$$

that leads to

$$\frac{\tau\varepsilon}{2} - \rho_X(\tau, c) + \frac{\eta}{2}(1 + \tau) \leq \delta_{X_c^*}.$$

Now, since  $\eta > 0$  is arbitrary, we conclude that

$$\frac{\tau\varepsilon}{2} - \rho_X(\tau, c) \leq \delta_{X_c^*} \quad \text{for every } \varepsilon \text{ in } (0, 2].$$

Therefore,

$$\sup \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon\tau}{2} - \delta_{X_c^*}(\varepsilon) : 0 < \varepsilon \leq 2 \right\} \leq \rho_X(\tau).$$

On the other hand, if  $\tau > 0$ ,  $c \neq 0$  in  $X$  and  $x, y$  in  $X$  with  $\|x, c\| = 1 = \|y, c\|$ , then by Theorem 1.6 there exist  $f_o, g_o$  in  $X_c^*$  with  $\|f_o\| = 1 = \|g_o\|$  such that

$$f_o(x + \tau y, c) = \|x + \tau y, c\| \quad \text{and} \quad g_o(x - \tau y, c) = \|x - \tau y, c\|.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x + \tau y, c\| + \|x - \tau y, c\| - 2 &= (f_o + g_o)(x, c) + \tau(f_o - g_o)(y, c) - 2 \\ &\leq \|f_o + g_o\| + \tau|(f_o - g_o)(y, c)| - 2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if we defined  $\varepsilon_o := |(f_o - g_o)(y, c)|$ , then  $0 < \varepsilon_o \leq \|x_o - y_o, c\| \leq 2$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\|x + \tau y, c\| + \|x - \tau y, c\|}{2} - 1 &\leq \frac{\tau\varepsilon_o}{2} - \left(1 - \|(f_o + g_o)/2\|\right) \\ &\leq (\tau\varepsilon_o)/2 - \delta_{X_c^*}(\varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\rho_X(\tau, c) \leq \sup\{\tau\varepsilon_o/2 - \delta_{X_c^*}(\varepsilon) : 0 < \varepsilon \leq 2\}.$$

(b) The proof of second formula is similar to (a). ■

**Proposition 2.5.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a 2-Banach space and  $c \neq 0$  in  $X$ . Then,  $X$  is uniformly smooth if and only if  $X_c^*$  is a uniformly convex normed space.

*Proof.* We will prove both directions of this proposition by contradiction.

“ $\rightarrow$ ” If  $X_c^*$  is not uniformly convex where  $c \neq 0$  in  $X$ , then there exists  $\varepsilon_o$  in  $(0, 2]$  and  $c_o \neq 0$  with  $\delta_{X_{c_o}^*}(\varepsilon_o) = 0$ , and by using Proposition 2.4 (b), we obtain for every  $\tau > 0$ ,

$$0 < \frac{\varepsilon_o}{2} \leq \frac{\rho_X(\tau, c_o)}{\tau}, \quad \text{hence} \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho_X(t, c_o)}{t} \neq 0,$$

which means that  $X$  is not uniformly smooth.

“ $\leftarrow$ ” Assume that  $X$  is not uniformly smooth. Then, there exists  $c_o \neq 0$  with  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\rho_X(t, c_o)}{t} \neq 0$ . Thus, there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for every  $\delta > 0$  we can find  $t_\delta$  with  $0 < t_\delta < \delta$  and  $t_\delta\varepsilon \leq \rho_X(t_\delta, c_o)$  for some  $c_o \neq 0$ . Then, there exists a sequence  $\{\tau_n\}$  such that  $0 < \tau_n \leq 1$ ,  $\tau_n \rightarrow 0$  and  $\rho_X(\tau_n, c_o) \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\tau_n$ . By Using Proposition 2.4 (b), for every  $n \in N$  there exists  $\varepsilon_n$  in  $(0, 2]$  such that

$$\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\tau_n < \delta_{X_{c_o}^*}(\varepsilon_n) \leq \frac{\tau_n}{2}(\varepsilon_n - \varepsilon).$$

In particular  $\varepsilon < \varepsilon_n$  and  $\delta_{X_{c_o}^*}(\varepsilon_n) \rightarrow 0$ . Given the fact that  $\delta_{X_{c_o}^*}(\varepsilon_n)$  is a non-decreasing function, we get  $\delta_{X_{c_o}^*}(\varepsilon_n) < \delta_{X_c^*}(\varepsilon_n) \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore,  $X_{c_o}^*$  is not uniformly convex. ■

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  be a 2-Banach space and  $c \neq 0$  in  $X$ . Then,  $X$  is uniformly convex if and only if  $X_c^*$  is a uniformly smooth normed space.

*Proof.* Using Proposition 2.4 (a) and interchanging the role of  $X$  and  $X_c^*$ , we get the proof of this theorem. ■

Now, we show that, from any point  $x$  in a linear 2-normed space  $X$  to a closed convex subset  $B$ , we can get a unique nearest point  $\bar{x}$  in  $B$  such that  $\|x - \bar{x}, c\| = \inf_{\xi \in B} \|x - \xi, c\|$  in which  $x$  does not depend on  $c \neq 0$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $X$  be a real uniformly convex 2-Banach space and  $B$  be a nonempty closed convex proper subset of  $X$ . Then, the metric projection is well defined on  $B$ , i.e.,

$$\forall x \in X, \exists! \bar{x} \in B : \forall (0 \neq) c \in X \Rightarrow \|x - \bar{x}, c\| = \inf_{\xi \in B} \|x - \xi, c\|.$$

**Claim.** Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in the real uniformly convex 2-Banach space  $X$  satisfying:

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n + x_m, c\| = 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n, c\| \quad \text{for all } 0 \neq c \in X.$$

Then,  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ .

*Proof of the claim.* If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n, c\| = l_c$ , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{x_n}{l_c}, c \right\| = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{(x_n + x_m)}{l_c}, c \right\| = 2 \quad \text{for all } 0 \neq c \in X.$$

Suppose contrarily that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is not a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . Then,

$$\|x_n - x_m, c\| \not\rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n, m \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for some } c \neq 0,$$

i.e., there exist  $\varepsilon_c$  and two subsequences of natural numbers  $n_k, m_k$  such that

$$\|x_{n_k} - x_{m_k}, c\| \geq \varepsilon_c, \quad \text{and hence} \quad \left\| \frac{x_{n_k} - x_{m_k}}{l_c}, c \right\| \geq \frac{\varepsilon_c}{l_c} > 0.$$

Since  $(X, \|\cdot, \cdot\|)$  is uniformly convex 2-Banach space, then  $\exists \delta_c > 0$  such that

$$\left\| \frac{x_{n_k} + x_{m_k}}{2l_c}, c \right\| \leq 1 - \delta_c.$$

Taking limit as  $n_k, m_k \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $1 \leq 1 - \delta_c$  which is impossible because  $\delta_c > 0$ , this contradiction completes the proof of the claim. ■

*Proof of the theorem.* Let  $d_c = \inf\{\|x - \xi, c\| : \xi \in B\}$  for all  $0 \neq c \in X$ . Then, there exists a sequence  $\{\xi_n\}$  in  $B$  such that

$$d_c \leq \|x - \xi_n, c\| < d_c + \frac{1}{n}, \quad \text{and hence} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x - \xi_n, c\| = d_c. \quad (2.1)$$

Since  $B$  is convex, then  $\frac{\xi_n + \xi_m}{2} \in B \quad \forall n, m \in N$ . Then,

$$d_c \leq \left\| x - \frac{\xi_n + \xi_m}{2}, c \right\| < d_c + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{m}.$$

Then,

$$\lim_{n,m \rightarrow \infty} \|x - \xi_n + x - \xi_m, c\| = 2d_c \quad \text{as } n, m \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2.2)$$

From (2.1), (2.2) and using the claim, then  $\{x - \xi_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence, i.e.,  $\|x - \xi_n - (x - \xi_m), c\| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $c \neq 0$  that gives  $\|\xi_n - \xi_m, c\| \rightarrow 0$  for all  $c \neq 0$ . Therefore,  $\{\xi_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in the 2-Banach space  $X$ , hence there exist  $\bar{x} \in X$  such that  $\xi_n \rightarrow \bar{x}$ . Since  $B$  is closed in  $X$  and  $\xi_n \in B$ , then  $\bar{x} \in B$ , hence  $x - \xi_n \rightarrow x - \bar{x}$ . Using the continuity of the 2-norm, then

$$\|x - x_n, c\| \rightarrow \|x - \bar{x}, c\| = d_c.$$

Now, we prove the uniqueness of  $\bar{x}$ : Suppose contrarily that there exists

$$\bar{y} \in B : \|x - \bar{y}, c\| = \inf\{\|x - \xi, c\| : \xi \in B\} = d_c \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{y} \neq \bar{x}.$$

Then,  $\|\bar{y} - \bar{x}, c\| = \varepsilon_c > 0$  for some  $0 \neq c \in X$ . Since  $B$  is convex, then  $\frac{\bar{x} + \bar{y}}{2} \in B$  and so

$$d_c \leq \left\| x - \frac{\bar{x} + \bar{y}}{2}, c \right\| \leq \frac{d_c}{2} + \frac{d_c}{2} = d_c.$$

Hence,  $\left\| x - \frac{\bar{x} + \bar{y}}{2}, c \right\| = d_c$  where  $\bar{y} \neq \frac{\bar{x} + \bar{y}}{2} \neq \bar{x}$ .

Since  $X$  is uniformly convex and

$$\left\| \frac{x - \bar{x}}{d_c} - \frac{x - \bar{y}}{d_c}, c \right\| = \frac{\varepsilon_c}{d_c}.$$

Then,  $\exists \delta_c > 0$  such that

$$\left\| x - \frac{\bar{x} + \bar{y}}{2d_c}, c \right\| \leq 1 - \delta_c.$$

Therefore,

$$d_c = \left\| x - \frac{\bar{x} + \bar{y}}{2}, c \right\| \leq d_c - d_c \delta_c.$$

This is impossible because  $\delta_c > 0$ . Therefore,  $\bar{x}$  is unique. ■

**Lemma 2.8.** Let  $B$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a 2-Hilbert space  $X$  and  $P_B$  the metric projection from  $X$  onto  $B$ . Then,  $P_B$  is nonexpansive.

*Proof.* Is easy. ■

**Definition 2.9.** Let  $B$  be a nonempty subset of a real 2-Hilbert space  $H$ . A mapping  $A : B \rightarrow B$  is called weakly contractive of the class  $C_{(\psi(t))}$ ; if there exists a continuous and nondecreasing function  $\psi(t)$  defined on  $R^+$  with  $\phi(t) > 0 \forall t > 0$ ,  $\psi(0) = 0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \psi(t) = +\infty$ ; such that

$$\|Ax - Ay, c\| \leq \|x - y, c\| - \psi(\|x - y, c\|) \quad \forall x, y, c \in B.$$



**Theorem 2.10.** Let  $B$  be a closed convex subset of 2-Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $A : B \rightarrow H$  be a weakly contractive map of the class  $\psi(t)$  with strictly increasing function  $\psi(t)$ . Suppose that the set  $F(A)$  of all fixed points of the map  $A$  is nonempty set, and for  $x_1 \in B$  consider the iteration  $x_{n+1} = P_B Ax_n, n \geq 0$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{Ax_n\}$  are bounded in  $H$ , and  $\{x_n\}$  strongly converges to some point  $x^* \in F(A)$ , and the estimate

$$\|x_n - x^*, c\| \leq \Phi^{-1}(\Phi(\|x_1 - x^*, c\|) - (n - 1)) \quad \forall c \in H$$

is satisfied, where  $\Phi$  is defined by  $\Phi(t) = \int \frac{dt}{\psi(t)}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $P_B$  is nonexpansive and  $A$  is weakly contractive, then  $\forall c \in H$

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x^*, c\| &\leq \|Ax_n - Ax^*, c\| \\ &\leq \|x_n - x^*, c\| - \psi(\|x_n - x^*, c\|). \end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Thus, the sequence of positive numbers  $\{\lambda_n\}$  defined by  $\lambda_n := \|x_n - x^*, c\|$  satisfies

$$0 \leq \lambda_{n+1} \leq \lambda_n - \psi(\lambda_n) \leq \lambda_n.$$

This implies that the sequence is non-increasing and bounded below by 0, thus converges to some  $\lambda$ . As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\lambda \leq \lambda - \psi(\lambda) \leq \lambda$ , then  $0 \leq -\psi(\lambda) \leq 0$ . By the hypothesis of  $\psi$ , we get  $\psi(0) = 0$ , i.e.,  $\lambda_n \rightarrow 0$ , i.e.,  $\|x_n - x^*, c\| \rightarrow 0 \forall c \in H$ , thus  $x_n$  is convergent to  $x^*$ . Further, by Lemma 1.8 we have the estimate:

$$\lambda_n \leq \Phi^{-1}(\Phi(\lambda_1) - (n - 1)) \quad \forall n \geq 1.$$

From (2.3),

$$\|x_{n+1} - x^*, c\| \leq \|x_n - x^*, c\|.$$

Hence by induction,

$$\|x_n - x^*, c\| \leq \|x_1 - x^*, c\|. \tag{2.4}$$

Since

$$\|x - y, c\|^2 = \|x, c\|^2 - 2\langle x, y/c \rangle + \|y, c\|^2 \quad \text{and} \quad |\langle x, y/c \rangle| \leq \|x, c\| \|y, c\|,$$

then

$$(\|x, c\| - \|y, c\|)^2 \leq \|x - y, c\|^2 \leq (\|x, c\| + \|y, c\|)^2. \tag{2.5}$$

Therefore, by (2.4) and (2.5),

$$\|x_n, c\| - \|x^*, c\| \leq \|x_1, c\| + \|x^*, c\|.$$

Since  $x_1, x^*$  are fixed, this implies that

$$\|x_n, c\| \leq \|x_1, c\| + 2\|x^*, c\|,$$

then sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded. Using (2.3) – (2.4), we get

$$\|Ax_n - Ax^*, c\| \leq \|x_1 - x^*, c\|. \quad (2.6)$$

Therefore, by (2.5) and (2.6),

$$(\|Ax_n, c\| - \|Ax^*, c\|)^2 \leq \|Ax_n - Ax^*, c\|^2 \leq (\|x_1, c\| + \|x^*, c\|)^2.$$

Since  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, then

$$\|Ax_n, c\| - \|x^*, c\| \leq \|x_1, c\| + \|x^*, c\|,$$

thus

$$\|Ax_n, c\| \leq \|x_1, c\| + 2\|x^*, c\|.$$

Therefore, the sequence  $\{Ax_n\}$  is bounded. ■

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