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# Fixed points of monotone nonexpansive mappings on a hyperbolic metric space with a graph

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### **Abstract**

In this work, we define the concept of *G*-monotone nonexpansive multivalued mappings defined on a metric space with a graph *G*. Then we obtain sufficient conditions for the existence of fixed points for such mappings in hyperbolic metric spaces. This is the first kind of such results in this direction.

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## 1 Introduction

Fixed point theorems for monotone single-valued mappings in a metric space endowed with a partial ordering have been widely investigated. These theorems are hybrids of the two most fundamental and useful theorems in fixed point theory: the Banach contraction principle ([1], Theorem 2.1) and the Tarski fixed point theorem [2, 3]. Generalizing the Banach contraction principle for multivalued mapping to metric spaces, Nadler [4] obtained the following result.

**Theorem 1.1** [4] Let (X,d) be a complete metric space. Denote by  $\mathcal{CB}(X)$  the set of all nonempty closed bounded subsets of X. Let  $F: X \to \mathcal{CB}(X)$  be a multivalued mapping. If there exists  $k \in [0,1)$  such that

$$H(F(x), F(y)) \le kd(x, y)$$

for all  $x, y \in X$ , where H is the Hausdorff metric on  $\mathcal{CB}(X)$ , then F has a fixed point in X.

A number of extensions and generalizations of the Nadler theorem were obtained by different authors; see for instance [5, 6] and references cited therein. The Tarski theorem was extended to multivalued mappings by different authors; see [5, 7–9]. Investigation of the existence of fixed points for single-valued mappings in partially ordered metric spaces was initially considered by Ran and Reurings in [10] who proved the following result.

**Theorem 1.2** [10] Let  $(X, \leq)$  be a partially ordered set such that every pair  $x, y \in X$  has an upper and lower bound. Let d be a metric on X such that (X, d) is a complete metric



space. Let  $f: X \to X$  be a continuous monotone (either order preserving or order reversing) mapping. Suppose that the following conditions hold:

(1) There exists  $k \in [0,1)$  with

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \le kd(x, y)$$
 for all  $x, y \in X$  such that  $x \succeq y$ .

(2) There exists an  $x_0 \in X$  with  $x_0 \leq f(x_0)$  or  $x_0 \geq f(x_0)$ . Then f is a Picard operator (PO), that is, f has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$  and for each  $x \in X$ ,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} f^n(x) = x^*$ .

After this, different authors considered the problem of existence of a fixed point for contraction mappings in partially ordered metric spaces; see [8, 11–13] and references cited therein. Nieto *et al.* in [13] extended the ideas of [10] to prove the existence of solutions to some differential equations. Recently, two results have appeared, giving sufficient conditions for f to be a PO, if (X, d) is endowed with a graph. The first of which was given by Jachymski [14] and the second one was given by Jachymski and Lukawska [15], generalizing the results of [11, 13, 16, 17] to a single-valued mapping in metric spaces with a graph instead of a partial ordering.

The aim of this paper is two folds: first to give a correct definition of monotone multivalued mappings, second to extend the conclusion of Theorem 1.2 to the case of monotone multivalued mappings in metric spaces endowed with a graph.

# 2 Preliminaries

It seems that the terminology of graph theory instead of partial ordering gives a clearer picture and yield interesting generalization of the Banach contraction principle. Let us begin this section with terminology for metric spaces which will be used throughout.

Let G be a directed graph (digraph) with set of vertices V(G) and a set of edges E(G) contains all the loops, *i.e.*,  $(x,x) \in E(G)$  for any  $x \in V(G)$ . We also assume that G has no parallel edges (arcs) and so we can identify G with the pair (V(G), E(G)). Our graph theory notations and terminology are standard and can be found in all graph theory books, like [18, 19] and [20]. Moreover, we may treat G as a weighted graph (see [20], p.309]) by assigning to each edge the distance between its vertices. By  $G^{-1}$  we denote the conversion of a graph G, *i.e.*, the graph obtained from G by reversing the direction of edges. Thus we have

$$E(G^{-1}) = \{(y, x) \mid (x, y) \in E(G)\}.$$

A digraph G is called an oriented graph if whenever  $(u, v) \in E(G)$ , then  $(v, u) \notin E(G)$ . The letter  $\widetilde{G}$  denotes the undirected graph obtained from G by ignoring the direction of edges. Actually, it will be more convenient for us to treat  $\widetilde{G}$  as a directed graph for which the set of its edges is symmetric. Under this convention,

$$E(\widetilde{G}) = E(G) \cup E(G^{-1}).$$

We call (V', E') a subgraph of G if  $V' \subseteq V(G)$ ,  $E' \subseteq E(G)$  and for any edge  $(x, y) \in E'$ ,  $x, y \in V'$ .

If x and y are vertices in a graph G, then a (directed) path in G from x to y of length N is a sequence  $(x_i)_{i=1}^{i=N}$  of N+1 vertices such that  $x_0=x$ ,  $x_N=y$ , and  $(x_{n-1},x_n)\in E(G)$  for

 $i=1,\ldots,N$ . A graph G is connected if there is a directed path between any two vertices. G is weakly connected if  $\widetilde{G}$  is connected. If G is such that E(G) is symmetric and x is a vertex in G, then the subgraph  $G_x$  consisting of all edges and vertices which are contained in some path beginning at x is called the component of G containing X. In this case  $V(G_x) = [x]_G$ , where  $[x]_G$  is the equivalence class of the following relation  $\mathcal{R}$  defined on V(G) by the rule:

 $y \mathcal{R} z$  if there is a (directed) path in G from y to z.

Clearly  $G_x$  is connected.

Next we introduce the concept of hyperbolic metric spaces. Indeed let (X, d) be a metric space. Suppose that there exists a family  $\mathcal{F}$  of metric segments such that any two points x, y in X are endpoints of a unique metric segment  $[x,y] \in \mathcal{F}$  ([x,y] is an isometric image of the real line interval [0,d(x,y)]). We shall denote by  $\beta x \oplus (1-\beta)y$  the unique point z of [x,y] which satisfies

$$d(x,z) = (1-\beta)d(x,y)$$
 and  $d(z,y) = \beta d(x,y)$ ,

where  $\beta \in [0,1]$ . Such metric spaces with a family  $\mathcal{F}$  of metric segments are usually called *convex metric spaces* [21]. Moreover, if we have

$$d(\alpha p \oplus (1-\alpha)x, \alpha q \oplus (1-\alpha)y) \leq \alpha d(p,q) + (1-\alpha)d(x,y)$$

for all p, q, x, y in X, and  $\alpha \in [0,1]$ , then X is said to be a *hyperbolic metric space* (see [22]). Obviously, normed linear spaces are hyperbolic spaces. As nonlinear examples, one can consider Hadamard manifolds [23], the Hilbert open unit ball equipped with the hyperbolic metric [24], and CAT(0) spaces [25–27]. We will say that a subset C of a hyperbolic metric space X is convex if  $[x, y] \subset C$  whenever x, y are in C.

**Definition 2.1** Let (X, d) be a hyperbolic metric space. A graph G on X is said to be convex if and only if for any  $x, y, z, w \in X$  and  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ , we have

$$(x,z) \in E(G)$$
 and  $(y,w) \in E(G)$   $\Longrightarrow$   $(\alpha x \oplus (1-\alpha)y, \alpha z \oplus (1-\alpha)w) \in E(G)$ .

Next we introduce the concept of monotone multivalued mappings. In [9], the authors offered the following definition.

**Definition 2.2** ([9], Definition 2.6) Let  $F: X \to 2^X$  be a multivalued mapping with nonempty closed and bounded values. The mapping F is said to be a G-contraction if there exists  $k \in [0,1)$  such that

$$H(F(x), F(y)) \le kd(x, y)$$
 for all  $(x, y) \in E(G)$ 

and if  $u \in F(x)$  and  $v \in F(y)$  are such that

$$d(u, v) \le kd(x, y) + \alpha$$
 for each  $\alpha > 0$ ,

then  $(u, v) \in E(G)$ .

In particular, this definition implies that if  $u \in F(x)$  and  $v \in F(y)$  are such that

$$d(u, v) \leq kd(x, y),$$

then  $(u, v) \in E(G)$ , which is very restrictive. In fact in the proof of Theorem 3.1 in [9], the authors try to construct an orbit  $(x_n)$  such that  $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ , for any  $n \ge 1$ , but this fails to happen according to Definition 2.2. Our definition of G-contraction multivalued mappings is more appropriate. It finds its roots in [28]. In the sequel, we assume that (X, d) is a metric space, and G is a directed graph (digraph) with a set of vertices V(G) = X and the set of edges E(G) contains all the loops, *i.e.*,  $(x, x) \in E(G)$ , for any  $x \in X$ .

**Definition 2.3** Let (X,d) be a metric space and C a nonempty subset of X.

(i) We say that a mapping  $T: C \rightarrow C$  is G-edge preserving if

$$\forall x, y \in C$$
,  $(x, y) \in E(G) \implies (T(x), T(y)) \in E(G)$ .

(ii) We say that a mapping  $T: C \to C$  is G-contraction if T is G-edge preserving and there exists  $k \in [0,1)$  such that

$$\forall x, y \in C$$
,  $(x, y) \in E(G) \implies d(T(x), T(y)) \le kd(x, y)$ .

(iii) We say that a mapping  $T: C \to C$  is G-nonexpansive if T is G-edge preserving and

$$\forall x, y \in C$$
,  $(x, y) \in E(G) \implies d(T(x), T(y)) \le d(x, y)$ .

(iv) A multivalued mapping  $T: C \to 2^C$  is said to be monotone increasing (resp. decreasing) *G*-contraction if there exists  $\alpha \in [0,1)$  such that for any  $x,y \in C$  with  $(x,y) \in E(G)$  and any  $u \in T(x)$  there exists  $v \in T(y)$  such that

$$(u, v) \in E(G)$$
 (resp.  $(v, u) \in E(G)$ ) and  $d(u, v) \le \alpha d(x, y)$ .

Similarly we will say that the multivalued mapping  $T:C\to 2^C$  is monotone increasing (resp. decreasing) G-nonexpansive if for any  $x,y\in C$  with  $(x,y)\in E(G)$  and any  $u\in T(x)$  there exists  $v\in T(y)$  such that

$$(u,v) \in E(G)$$
 (resp.  $(v,u) \in E(G)$ ) and  $d(u,v) \le d(x,y)$ .

 $x \in C$  is called a fixed point of a single-valued mapping T if and only if T(x) = x. For a multivalued mapping T, x is a fixed point if and only if  $x \in T(x)$ . The set of all fixed points of a mapping T is denoted by Fix(T).

# 3 Main results

We begin with the following well-known theorem, which gives the existence of a fixed point for monotone single-valued and multivalued contraction mappings in metric spaces endowed with a graph.

**Theorem 3.1** [14] Let (X,d) be a complete metric space, and let the triple (X,d,G) have the following property:

(\*) For any  $(x_n)_{n\geq 1}$  in X, if  $x_n \to x$  and  $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ , for  $n \geq 1$ , then there is a subsequence  $(x_{k_n})_{n\geq 1}$  with  $(x_{k_n}, x) \in E(G)$ , for  $n \geq 1$ .

Let  $f: X \to X$  be a G-contraction,  $X_f := \{x \in X : (x, f(x)) \in E(G)\}$ . Then the following statements hold:

- (1) card Fix  $f = \text{card}\{[x]_{\widetilde{G}} : x \in X_f\}$ .
- (2) Fix  $f \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $X_f \neq \emptyset$ .
- (3) f has a unique fixed point if and only if there exists an  $x_0 \in X_f$  such that  $X_f \subseteq [x_0]_{\widetilde{G}}$ .
- (4) For any  $x \in X_f$ ,  $f|_{[x]_{\widetilde{G}}}$  is a PO, that is, f has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in [x]_{\widetilde{G}}$  and for each  $x \in [x]_{\widetilde{G}}$ ,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} f^n(x) = x^*$ .
- (5) If  $X_f \neq \emptyset$  and G is weakly connected, then f is a PO, that is, f has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in X$  and for each  $x \in X$ ,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} f^n(x) = x^*$ .

The multivalued version of Theorem 3.1 may be stated as follows.

**Theorem 3.2** [29] Let (X,d) be a complete metric space and suppose that the triple (X,d,G) has property (\*). We denote by  $\mathcal{CB}(X)$  the collection of all nonempty closed and bounded subsets of X. Let  $T:X\to \mathcal{CB}(X)$  be a monotone increasing G-contraction mapping and  $X_T:=\{x\in X;(x,u)\in E(G) \text{ for some } u\in T(x)\}$ . If  $X_T\neq\emptyset$ , then the following statements hold:

- (1) For any  $x \in X_T$ ,  $T|_{[x]_{\widetilde{G}}}$  has a fixed point.
- (2) If  $x \in X$  with  $(x,\bar{x}) \in E(G)$  where  $\bar{x}$  is a fixed point of T, then  $\{T^n(x)\}$  converges to  $\bar{x}$ .
- (3) If G is weakly connected, then T has a fixed point in G.
- (4) If  $X' := \bigcup \{[x]_{\widetilde{G}} : x \in X_T\}$ , then  $T|_{X'}$  has a fixed point in X.
- (5) If  $T(X) \subseteq E(G)$  then T has a fixed point.
- (6) Fix  $T \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $X_T \neq \emptyset$ .

**Remark 3.1** The missing information in Theorem 3.2 is the uniqueness of the fixed point. In fact we do have a partial positive answer to this question. Indeed if  $\bar{u}$  and  $\bar{w}$  are two fixed points of T such that  $(\bar{u}, \bar{w}) \in E(G)$ , then we must have  $\bar{u} = \bar{w}$ . In general T may have more than one fixed point.

**Remark 3.2** If we assume *G* is such that  $E(G) := X \times X$  then clearly *G* is connected and Theorem 3.2 gives the Nadler theorem [4].

The following is a direct consequence of Theorem 3.2.

**Corollary 3.1** Let (X,d) be a complete metric space. Let G be a graph on X such that the triple (X,d,G) has the Property (\*). If G is weakly connected then every G-contraction  $T: X \to \mathcal{CB}(X)$  such that  $(x_0,x_1) \in E(G)$ , for some  $x_0 \in X$  and  $x_1 \in T(x_0)$ , has a fixed point.

Next we discuss some existence results for nonexpansive single-valued and multivalued *G*-monotone mappings. To the best of our knowledge, these results were never investigated for such mappings.

**Theorem 3.3** Let (X,d) be a complete hyperbolic metric space and suppose that the triple (X,d,G) has property (\*). Assume G is convex. Let C be a nonempty, closed, convex, and bounded subset of X. Let  $T:C\to C$  be a G-nonexpansive mapping. Assume  $C_T:=\{x\in C:(x,T(x))\in E(G)\}\neq\emptyset$ . Then

$$\inf\{d(x,T(x));x\in C\}=0.$$

In particular, there exists an approximate fixed point sequence  $(x_n)$  in C of T, i.e.,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}d\big(x_n,T(x_n)\big)=0.$$

*Proof* Fix  $a \in C$ . Let  $\lambda \in (0,1)$  and define  $T_{\lambda} : C \to C$  by

$$T_{\lambda}(x) = \lambda a \oplus (1 - \lambda) T(x).$$

If  $(x, y) \in E(G)$ , then we have  $(T(x), T(y)) \in E(G)$ , since T is G-edge preserving. Moreover, since G is convex and  $(a, a) \in E(G)$ , we obtain

$$(T_{\lambda}(x), T_{\lambda}(y)) = (\lambda a \oplus (1 - \lambda)T(x), \lambda a \oplus (1 - \lambda)T(y)) \in E(G),$$

*i.e.*,  $T_{\lambda}$  is G-edge preserving, and

$$d(\lambda a \oplus (1-\lambda)T(x), \lambda a \oplus (1-\lambda)T(y)) \leq (1-\lambda)d(T(x), T(y)) \leq (1-\lambda)d(x, y),$$

i.e.,  $d(T_{\lambda}(x), T_{\lambda}(y)) \leq (1 - \lambda)d(x, y)$ . In other words,  $T_{\lambda}$  is a G-contraction. It is easy to see that  $C_T \subset C_{T_{\lambda}}$ . Hence  $C_{T_{\lambda}}$  is not empty. Theorem 3.1 implies the existence of a fixed point  $\omega_{\lambda}$  of  $T_{\lambda}$  in C. So we have

$$\omega_{\lambda} = \lambda a \oplus (1 - \lambda) T(\omega_{\lambda}),$$

which implies

$$d(\omega_{\lambda}, T(\omega_{\lambda})) \leq \lambda d(a, T(\omega_{\lambda})) \leq \lambda \delta(C),$$

where  $\delta(C) = \sup\{d(x,y); x,y \in C\}$  is the diameter of C. Set  $x_n = \omega_{1/n}$ , for  $n \ge 1$ . Then we have  $d(x_n, T(x_n)) \le \delta(C)/n$ , for  $n \ge 1$ . In particular, we have

$$\inf \left\{ d(x, T(x)); x \in X \right\} \leq \lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, T(x_n)) = 0.$$

The proof of Theorem 3.3 is therefore complete.

In order to obtain a fixed point existence result for *G*-nonexpansive mappings, we need some extra assumptions.

**Definition 3.1** We will say that *G* is transitive if, for any two vertices *x* and *y* that are connected by a directed finite path, we have  $(x, y) \in E(G)$ .

Note that if the triple (X, d, G) has property (\*) and G is transitive, then we have the following property:

(\*\*) For any  $(x_n)_{n\geq 1}$  in X, if  $x_n \to x$  and  $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ , for  $n \geq 1$ , then  $(x_n, x) \in E(G)$ , for  $n \geq 1$ .

**Definition 3.2** We will say that a nonempty subset C of X is G-compact if and only if for any  $(x_n)_{n\geq 1}$  in C, if  $(x_n,x_{n+1})\in E(G)$ , for  $n\geq 1$ , then there exists a subsequence  $(x_{k_n})$  of  $(x_n)$  which is convergent to a point in C.

Note that G-compactness does not necessarily imply compactness. Indeed, consider the metric set X, subset of  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , built on a cone routed at the origin. All rays are bounded and compact. But X is unbounded. Define the graph G on X by  $(x,y) \in E(G)$  if and only if x and y are on the same ray. Then any sequence  $(x_n) \in X$  such that  $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ , for  $n \ge 1$ , will belong to a ray. Hence  $(x_n)$  has a convergent subsequence. This shows that X is G-compact but fails to be compact.

**Theorem 3.4** Let (X,d) be a complete hyperbolic metric space and suppose that the triple (X,d,G) has property (\*). Assume G is convex and transitive. Let C be a nonempty, G-compact and convex subset of X. Let  $T:C\to C$  be a G-nonexpansive mapping. Assume  $C_T:=\{x\in C:(x,T(x))\in E(G)\}\neq\emptyset$ . Then T has a fixed point.

*Proof* Since  $C_T$  is not empty, choose  $x_0 \in C_T$ . Let  $(\lambda_n)$  be a sequence of numbers in (0,1) such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \lambda_n = 0$ . As in the proof of Theorem 3.3, define the mapping  $T_1: C \to C$  by

$$T_1(x) = \lambda_1 x_0 \oplus (1 - \lambda_1) T(x).$$

Since  $(x_0, T(x_0)) \in E(G)$ , we get  $(x_0, T_1(x_0)) \in E(G)$ . Since  $T_1$  is G-edge preserving, we obtain  $(T_1^n(x_0), T_1^{n+1}(x_0)) \in E(G)$  and

$$d(T_1^n(x_0), T_1^{n+1}(x_0)) \le \lambda_1^n d(x_0, T_1(x_0))$$
 for  $n \ge 1$ .

Hence  $(T_1^n(x_0))$  is a Cauchy sequence. Since C is G-compact, we conclude that  $(T_1^n(x_0))$  is convergent. Set  $\lim_{n\to\infty} T_1^n(x_0) = x_1$ . The property (\*\*) implies that  $(x_0,x_1) \in E(G)$ . By induction, we construct a sequence  $(x_n)$  such that  $x_{n+1}$  is a fixed point of  $T_{n+1}: C \to C$  defined by

$$T_{n+1}(x) = \lambda_{n+1}x_n \oplus (1 - \lambda_{n+1})T(x),$$

obtained as the limit of  $(T_{n+1}^k(x_n))_{k\geq 1}$ . In particular, we have  $(x_n,x_{n+1})\in E(G)$ , for any  $n\geq 1$ . Since C is G-compact, there exists a subsequence  $(x_{k_n})$  which converges to  $\omega\in C$ . Since G is transitive, the property (\*\*) implies that  $(x_{k_n},\omega)\in E(G)$ . Using the G-nonexpansiveness of T, we conclude that

$$d(T(x_{k_n}), T(\omega)) \le d(x_{k_n}, \omega)$$
 for  $n \ge 1$ .

Hence  $(T(x_{k_n}))$  converges to  $T(\omega)$ . Since  $x_{n+1}$  is a fixed point of  $T_{n+1}$ , we get  $x_{n+1} = \lambda_{n+1}x_n \oplus (1 - \lambda_{n+1})T(x_{n+1})$ , which implies

$$d(x_{n+1}, T(x_{n+1})) \le \lambda_{n+1}d(x_n, T(x_{n+1})) \le \lambda_{n+1}\delta(C)$$
 for  $n \ge 1$ ,

which implies  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(x_n, T(x_n)) = 0$ . Hence  $(T(x_{k_n}))$  converges to  $\omega$  as well. Therefore we must have  $T(\omega) = \omega$ , *i.e.*, T has a fixed point.

Next we investigate the above results for multivalued mappings. The first result for these mappings is the analog to Theorem 3.3.

**Theorem 3.5** Let (X,d) be a complete hyperbolic metric space and suppose that the triple (X,d,G) has property (\*). Assume G is convex. Let C be a nonempty, closed, convex, and bounded subset of X. Set C(C) to be the set of all nonempty closed subsets of C. Let  $T:C \to C(C)$  be a monotone increasing G-nonexpansive mapping. If  $C_T:=\{x\in C;(x,y)\in E(G) \text{ for some }y\in T(x)\}$  is not empty, then T has an approximate fixed point sequence  $(x_n)\in C$ , that is, for any  $n\geq 1$ , there exists  $y_n\in T(x_n)$  such that

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}d(x_n,y_n)=0.$$

*In particular, we have*  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \operatorname{dist}(x_n, T(x_n)) = 0$ , where

$$\operatorname{dist}(x_n, T(x_n)) = \inf \{ d(x_n, y); y \in T(x_n) \}.$$

*Proof* Fix  $\lambda \in (0,1)$  and  $x_0 \in C$ . Define the multivalued map  $T_{\lambda}$  on C by

$$T_{\lambda}(x) = \lambda x_0 \oplus (1 - \lambda)T(x) = \{\lambda x_0 \oplus (1 - \lambda)y; y \in T(x)\}.$$

Note that  $T_{\lambda}(x)$  is nonempty and closed subset of C. Let us show that  $T_{\lambda}$  is a monotone increasing G-contraction. Let  $x,y \in C$  such that  $(x,y) \in E(G)$ . Since T is a monotone increasing G-nonexpansive mapping, for any  $x^* \in T(x)$  there exists  $y^* \in T(y)$  such that  $(x^*,y^*) \in E(G)$  and  $d(x^*,y^*) \leq d(x,y)$ . Since

$$d(\lambda x_0 \oplus (1-\lambda)x^*, \lambda x_0 \oplus (1-\lambda)y^*) \le (1-\lambda)d(x^*, y^*) \le (1-\lambda)d(x, y),$$

which proves our claim. Since G is convex, we get  $(\lambda x_0 \oplus (1-\lambda)x^*, \lambda x_0 \oplus (1-\lambda)y^*) \in E(G)$ . This clearly shows that  $T_\lambda$  is a monotone increasing G-contraction as claimed. Note that we have  $C_T \subset C_{T_\lambda}$ , which implies that  $C_{T_\lambda}$  is nonempty. Using Theorem 3.2 we conclude that  $T_\lambda$  has a fixed point  $x_\lambda \in C$ . Thus there exists  $y_\lambda \in T(x_\lambda)$  such that

$$x_{\lambda} = \lambda x_0 \oplus (1 - \lambda) y_{\lambda}.$$

In particular we have

$$d(x_{\lambda}, y_{\lambda}) \leq \lambda d(x_0, y_{\lambda}) \leq \lambda \delta(C),$$

which implies  $\operatorname{dist}(x_{\lambda}, T(x_{\lambda})) \leq \lambda \delta(C)$ . If we choose  $\lambda = \frac{1}{n}$ , for  $n \geq 1$ , there exist  $x_n \in C$  and  $y_n \in T(x_n)$  such that  $d(x_n, y_n) \leq \delta(C)/n$ , which implies

$$\operatorname{dist}(x_n, T(x_n)) \leq \frac{1}{n} \delta(C).$$

The proof of Theorem 3.5 is therefore complete.

The multivalued version of Theorem 3.4 may be stated as follows.

**Theorem 3.6** Let (X,d) be a complete hyperbolic metric space and suppose that the triple (X,d,G) has property (\*\*). Assume G is convex and transitive. Let C be a nonempty, G-compact, and convex subset of X. Then any  $T:C \to \mathcal{C}(C)$  monotone increasing G-nonexpansive mapping has a fixed point provided  $C_T := \{x \in C; (x,y) \in E(G) \text{ for some } y \in T(x)\}$  is not empty.

*Proof* Since  $C_T$  is not empty, choose  $x_0 \in C_T$ . Let  $(\lambda_n)$  be a sequence of numbers in (0,1) such that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \lambda_n = 0$ . As we did in the proof of Theorem 3.5, define the mapping  $T_1 : C \to C$  by

$$T_1(x) = \lambda_1 x_0 \oplus (1 - \lambda_1) T(x).$$

Since  $C_T \subset C_{T_1}$ , there exists  $y_0 \in T_1(x_0)$  such that  $(x_0, y_0) \in E(G)$ . Using the properties of  $T_1$ , there exists  $y_2 \in T_1(y_1)$  such that  $(y_1, y_2) \in E(G)$  and

$$d(y_1, y_2) \leq (1 - \lambda_1) d(x_0, y_1).$$

By induction we build a sequence  $(y_n)$ , with  $y_0 = x_0$ , such that  $y_{n+1} \in T_1(y_n)$ ,  $(y_n, y_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ , and

$$d(y_n, y_{n+1}) < (1 - \lambda_1)d(y_{n-1}, y_n) < (1 - \lambda_1)^n d(x_0, y_1) < (1 - \lambda_1)^n \delta(C)$$

for  $n \ge 1$ . So  $(y_n)$  is Cauchy. Set  $\lim_{n \to +\infty} y_n = x_1 \in C$ . The property (\*\*) implies that  $(y_n, x_1) \in E(G)$ , for any n. In particular, we have  $(x_0, x_1) \in E(G)$ . Using the properties of  $T_1$ , for any n there exists  $z_n \in T(x_1)$  such that

$$d(y_{n+1}, z_n) \le (1 - \lambda_1)d(y_n, x_1).$$

Clearly this implies that  $(z_n)$  converges to  $x_1$  as well. Since  $T(x_1)$  is closed, we conclude that  $x_1 \in T(x_1)$ , *i.e.*,  $x_1$  is a fixed point of  $T_1$ . By induction, we construct a sequence  $(x_n)$  in C such that  $x_{n+1}$  is a fixed point of  $T_{n+1}: C \to \mathcal{C}(C)$  defined by

$$T_{n+1}(x) = \lambda_{n+1}x_n \oplus (1 - \lambda_{n+1})T(x),$$

and  $(x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G)$ . Since C is G-compact, there exists a subsequence  $(x_{k_n})$  which converges to  $\omega \in C$ . Since G is transitive, the property (\*\*) implies that  $(x_n, \omega) \in E(G)$ . Since  $x_n$  is a fixed point of  $T_n$ , there exists  $z_n \in T(x_n)$  such that

$$x_n = \lambda_n x_{n-1} \oplus (1 - \lambda_n) z_n$$

for any  $n \ge 1$ . Note that  $d(x_n, z_n) \le \lambda_n d(x_{n_1}, z_n) \le \lambda_n \delta(C)$ , for any  $n \ge 1$ . In particular we have  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(x_n, z_n) = 0$ . Since C is G-compact, there exists a subsequence  $(x_{k_n})$  which converges to some point  $\omega \in C$ . Clearly  $(z_{k_n})$  also converges to  $\omega$ . Using the G-nonexpansiveness of T, since  $(x_{k_n}, \omega) \in E(G)$ , there exists  $\omega_n \in T(\omega)$  such that  $d(z_{k_n}, \omega_n) \le d(x_{k_n}, \omega)$ , for any n. Therefore we see that  $(\omega_n)$  converges to  $\omega$ . Since  $T(\omega)$  is closed, we conclude that  $\omega \in T(\omega)$ , *i.e.*,  $\omega$  is a fixed point of T.

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