

# Fixed point theorems for nonself Bianchini type contractions in Banach spaces endowed with a graph

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we present an extension of fixed point theorem for self mappings on metric spaces endowed with a graph and which satisfies a Bianchini contraction condition. We establish conditions which ensure the existence of fixed point for a non-self Bianchini contractions  $T : K \subset X \rightarrow X$  that satisfy Rothe's boundary condition  $T(\partial K) \subset K$ .

## 1. INTRODUCTION

Starting with well-known Banach contraction principle (see its complete form in [19]), many directions have approached to study the existence of fixed points of a map  $T$ . We remember that, for a map  $T : X \rightarrow X$  the set of fixed point is

$$\text{Fix}(T) = \{x \in X; Tx = x\},$$

where  $X$  is a nonempty set. Roughly speaking, the existence conditions of fixed points are a set of rules which reflect the relations between the distances from one element to another of the set  $\{x, y, Tx, Ty\}$  and some properties of the map  $T$  in the space  $X$ . In general,  $(X, d)$  is a complete metric space,  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is a self-mapping which has some specific properties. For example:

a) classical Banach contraction condition

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq a \cdot d(x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X;$$

b) ([45]) Kannan contraction condition

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq b[d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty)] \text{ for all } x, y \in X;$$

c) ([24]) Bianchini contraction condition

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq a \cdot \max\{d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty)\} \text{ for all } x, y \in X;$$

d) Rus-Reich contraction condition

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha \cdot d(x, Tx) + \beta \cdot d(y, Ty) + \gamma d(x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X;$$

and so on, where  $a \in [0, 1)$ ,  $b \in [0, \frac{1}{2})$ , respectively  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in [0, 1)$  with  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma < 1$ .

In all these existence results,  $T$  is a self-mapping. More details can be found in literature, see [19], [32], [73] and reference therein.

The study of non-self mappings started with the paper of J. Caristi, see [30] for details. The assumption that  $T : K \rightarrow X$  is non-self, i.e.,  $T$  maps a subset  $K$  of  $X$  not into itself and there is at least one  $x \in K$  such that  $Tx \in X \setminus K$ , implies some supplementary conditions which must hold on the boundary of subset  $K$ . A list of some type of these conditions can be found in [42]. In this paper we choose the Rothe's boundary condition  $T(\partial K) \subset K$ . There are a few other results related to the existence of fixed points for

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non-self maps, remind here two fixed point theorems for non self contractions defined on Banach spaces endowed with a graph established by M. Păcurar in [21], while very recently in [15] was extend these results to non-self Kannan type contractions on Banach spaces endowed with a graph. The study of set of fixed points of mappings defined on Banach space endowed with a graph was initiated by J. Jachymski in [44] and continued by work of F. Bojor [25, 26, 27, 28, 29] and others [1], [33] etc.

The present work is organized in two sections. In the first one we remind a few preliminary notions and results, basically taken from [20], regarding the fixed point results for mappings defined on metric spaces endowed with a graph. In the second section there is an existence result of fixed point for an non-self mapping which satisfies a Bianchini contraction condition and is defined on metric spaces endowed with a graph.

## 2. METRIC SPACES ENDOWED WITH A GRAPH

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and let  $\Delta$  denote the diagonal of the Cartesian product  $X \times X$ . Consider now a directed simple graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  such that the set of its vertices,  $V(G)$ , coincides with  $X$  and  $E(G)$ , the set of its edges, contains all loops, i.e.,  $\Delta \subset E(G)$ .

By  $G^{-1}$  we denote the *converse graph* of  $G$ , i.e., the graph obtained by  $G$  by reversing its edges, i.e.,

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

If  $x, y \in V(G)$  are vertices in the graph  $G$ , then a *path* from  $x$  to  $y$  of length  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  is a sequence  $\{x_i\}_{i=1}^N$  of  $N + 1$  vertices of  $G$  such that

$$x_0 = x, x_N = y \text{ and } (x_{i-1}, x_i) \in E(G), i = 1, 2, \dots, N.$$

A graph  $G$  is said to be *connected* if there is at least a path between any two vertices. If  $\tilde{G} = (X, E(\tilde{G}))$  is the symmetric graph obtained by putting together the vertices of both  $G$  and  $G^{-1}$ , i.e.,

$$E(\tilde{G}) = E(G) \cup E(G^{-1}),$$

then  $G$  is called *weakly connected* if  $\tilde{G}$  is connected. If  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  is a graph and  $H \subset V(G)$ , then the graph  $(H, E(H))$  with  $E(H) = E(G) \cap (H \times H)$  is called the *subgraph of  $G$  determined by  $H$* . Denote it by  $G_H$ .

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $(X, d, G)$  be a Banach space endowed with a simple directed and weakly connected graph  $G$ . We say that the property  $(L)$  holds if

$$\begin{cases} \text{for any sequence } \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset X \text{ with } x_n \rightarrow x \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \\ \text{and } (x_n, x_{n+1}) \in E(G) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}, \\ \text{there exists a subsequence } \{x_{k_n}\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \text{ satisfying } (x_{k_n}, x) \in E(G), \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{cases} \quad (L)$$

A mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$  is said to be (well) defined on a metric space endowed with a graph  $G$  if it has the property

$$\forall x, y \in X, (x, y) \in E(G) \text{ implies } (Tx, Ty) \in E(G). \quad (2.1)$$

For a non self mapping  $T : K \rightarrow X$  we shall say that it is (well) defined on the Banach space  $X$  endowed with the graph  $G$  if it has this property for the subgraph of  $G$  induced by  $K$ , that is,

$$(x, y) \in E(G) \text{ with } Tx, Ty \in K \text{ implies } (Tx, Ty) \in E(G) \cap (K \times K), \quad (2.2)$$

for all  $x, y \in K$ .

According to [44], a mapping  $T : X \rightarrow X$ , which is well defined on a metric space endowed with a graph  $G$ , is called a  $G$ -contraction if there exists a constant  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  such that for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $(x, y) \in E(G)$  we have

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq \alpha \cdot d(x, y). \tag{2.3}$$

Let  $X$  be a Banach space,  $K$  a nonempty closed subset of  $X$  and  $T : K \rightarrow X$  a non-self mapping. If  $x \in K$  is such that  $Tx \notin K$ , then we can always choose an  $y \in \partial K$  (the boundary of  $K$ ) such that  $y = (1 - \lambda)x + \lambda Tx$  ( $0 < \lambda < 1$ ), which actually expresses the fact that

$$d(x, Tx) = d(x, y) + d(y, Tx), \quad y \in \partial K = Fr(K), \tag{2.4}$$

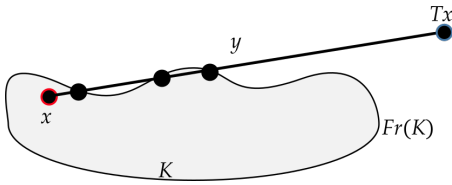


FIGURE 1

where we use the notation

$$d(x, y) = \|x - y\|.$$

In general, the set  $Y$  of points  $y$  satisfying condition (2.4) from above may contain more than one element.

We suppose  $Y$  is always nonempty.

In this context we shall need the following important concept first introduced and used in [20].

**Definition 2.2.** ([20]) Let  $X$  be a Banach space,  $K$  a nonempty closed subset of  $X$  and  $T : K \rightarrow X$  a non-self mapping. We say that  $T$  has property  $(M)$  if

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for any elements } x \in K \text{ with } Tx \notin K \text{ the inequality} \\ \quad d(y, Ty) \leq d(x, Tx) \\ \text{holds for at least one corresponding } y \in Y \subset \partial K \text{ given by (2.4).} \end{array} \right. \tag{M}$$

Examples of non-self mapping  $T$  which has property  $(M)$  can be found in work of V. Berinde and M. Păcurar (see [20], [21]) or in the next example.

**Example 2.1.** Let  $K = [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$  be a subset of  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$ , where  $X$  is endowed with the Chebyshev metric, i.e.,  $d_\infty(x, y) = \max\{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|\}$ , for all  $x = (x_1, x_2)$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2)$  in  $X$ . Consider the map  $T : K \rightarrow X$  given by  $Tx = T(x_1, x_2) = (-x_1, x_2)$  for all  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in K$ . Remark that  $Tx = x$  for any  $x \in \{(0, b) : b \in [0, 1]\} := K_0$ ,  $K_0 \subset \partial K$  and  $Tx \notin K$  for all  $x \in K \setminus K_0$ . Since

$$d_\infty(x, Tx) = 2x_1 \text{ for all } x = (x_1, x_2) \in K$$

and

$$d_\infty(y, Ty) = 0 \text{ for all } y \in K_0,$$

we have

$$d_\infty(y, Ty) < d_\infty(x, Tx)$$

for all  $x \in K \setminus K_0$  with  $y \in K_0 = Y$ . So,  $T$  has property  $(M)$  and  $Y$  is not singleton.

In the next example we can find another non-self mapping which satisfies some contraction condition and the Rothe's boundary condition, which has the  $(M)$  properties and iterations sequence converges to fixed point of it.

**Example 2.2.** Let  $X = \mathbb{R}^2$  endowed with the metric

$$d(x, y) = \max \{|x_1 - y_1|, |x_2 - y_2|\} \text{ for all } x = (x_1, x_2), y = (y_1, y_2) \in X$$

and  $K = [-1, 1] \times [-1, 1]$ , i.e.,

$$K = \{x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \max \{|x_1|, |x_2|\} \leq 1\} \subset X.$$

Let

$$K_1 = \{(x_1, x_2) \in K : 0 > x_2 \geq x_1\}$$

$$K_2 = \{(x_1, x_2) \in K : 0 > x_1 > x_2\}$$

and

$$K_3 = K \setminus (K_1 \cup K_2).$$

Let  $T : K \rightarrow X$  given by

FIGURE 2. The set  $K$  and the three subsets  $K_1$  (the gray one),  $K_2$  (the dark one) and  $K_3$  with  $K = K_1 \cup K_2 \cup K_3$ .

$$Tx = T(x_1, x_2) = \begin{cases} (2x_1 + 2, 2x_2 + 1), & (x_1, x_2) \in K_1 \\ (2x_1 + 1, 2x_2 + 2), & (x_1, x_2) \in K_2 \\ (\alpha x_2, \alpha x_1), & (x_1, x_2) \in K_3 \end{cases} \quad (2.5)$$

where  $\alpha = \frac{1}{2} \in (0, 1)$ .

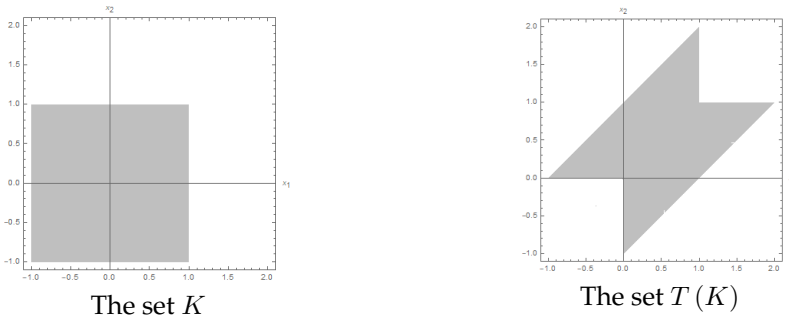


FIGURE 3. The set  $K$  and its image by the map  $T$ .

Note here some properties of  $T$  defined by (2.5).

- I. The map  $T$  has a unique fix point,  $Fix(T) = \{(0, 0)\}$ .
- II. The Rothe's boundary condition  $T(\partial K) \subset K$  holds, where

$$\partial K = \{x = (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : \max \{|x_1|, |x_2|\} = 1\}.$$

- III.  $T$  is a non-self map, i.e., there are  $x \in K$  such that  $Tx \notin K$ . Practically, for every  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in K_1$  with  $x_1 \in (-\frac{1}{2}, 0)$  we have  $Tx = (2x_1 + 2, 2x_2 + 1)$  with  $2x_1 + 2 > 1$ , so  $Tx \notin K$ .

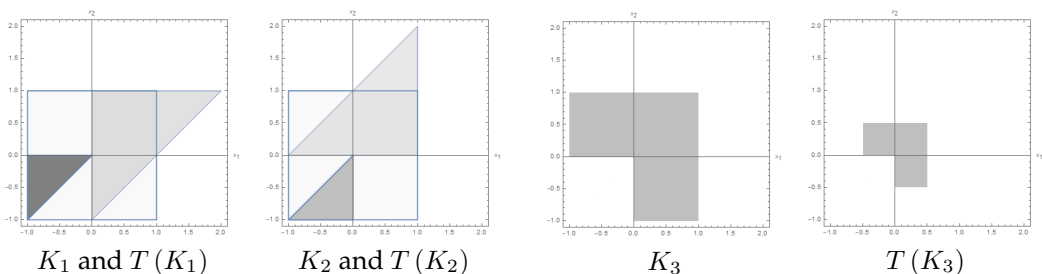


FIGURE 4. The subsets  $K_1, K_2, K_3$  of  $K$  and their image by the map  $T$ .

IV.  $T$  has property  $(M)$ . Indeed, if  $x = (x_1, \frac{1}{2}x_1) \in K_1$  with  $x_1 \in (-\frac{1}{3}, 0)$ , then for any  $y = (1, \varepsilon) \in \partial K$  with  $\varepsilon \in (-x_1, 1)$  the equality

$$d(x, y) + d(y, Tx) = d(x, Tx) \quad (2.6)$$

holds. Much more, if  $x = (x_1, \frac{1}{2}x_1)$  with  $x_1 \in (-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{3})$ , then for any  $y = (1, \varepsilon) \in \partial K$  with  $\varepsilon \in (-x_1, 2 + 3x_1)$  we have  $d(x, y) = 1 - x_1$ ,  $d(x, Tx) = 2 + x_1$  and  $d(y, Tx) = 1 + 2x_1$  for  $y = (1, \varepsilon) \in \partial K$ . So, the equality (2.6) holds. Hence,  $T$  has property  $(M)$  and for some  $x$  the corresponding set  $Y$  is not singleton.

A similar result holds for some specific  $x \in K_2$ .

V.  $T$  satisfies a contraction condition.

A) For  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in K_1$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2) \in K_1$  we have  $d(Tx, Ty) = 2 \cdot d(x, y)$ ,  $d(y, Ty) = y_1 + 2$  and

$$d(x, Tx) = \max\{|x_1 + 2|, |x_2 + 1|\} = \frac{|x_1 + 2| + |x_2 + 1| + |x_1 + 2 - x_2 - 1|}{2} = x_1 + 2.$$

B) For  $x = (x_1, x_2) \in K_2$  and  $y = (y_1, y_2) \in K_2$  we have  $d(Tx, Ty) = 2 \cdot d(x, y)$ ,  $d(y, Ty) = y_2 + 2$  and

$$d(x, Tx) = \max\{|x_1 + 1|, |x_2 + 2|\} = \frac{|x_1 + 1| + |x_2 + 2| + |x_1 + 1 - x_1 - 2|}{2} = x_2 + 2.$$

VI. Picard iterations of  $T$ .

On  $K_3$  the map  $T$  is a classical contraction and, as we can see in first representation from Figure 5, the sequence of Picard iteration converges.

If the initial point of the Picard iterations is situated in  $K_1$ ,  $x_0 \in K_1$ , then there are two possible situations: first one has  $Tx_0 \in K_3$  and the sequence of Picard iterations converges and second one has  $Tx_0 \notin K$ , but we can choose  $x_1 \in \partial K \cap K_3$ , so Picard iterations converges, too. Such situation is depicted on the left image from Figure 5.

A similar situation can be obtain if we choose the initial point from  $K_2$ , see the right image from Figure 5.

### 3. FIXED POINT THEOREM FOR NONSELF BIANCHINI TYPE CONTRACTIONS IN BANACH SPACES ENDOWED WITH A GRAPH

In that follow, we establish some conditions which ensure that a nonself Bianchini type contraction has a fixed point in  $(X, d, G)$ , a Banach space endowed with a simple directed and weakly connected graph.

Let  $K \subset X$  a nonempty closed subset of  $X$ . We say that  $T : K \rightarrow X$  is a *Bianchini contraction* if there exists a constant  $a \in [0, 1)$  such that

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq a \cdot \max\{d(x, Tx), d(y, Ty)\}, \text{ for all } (x, y) \in E(G_K), \quad (3.7)$$

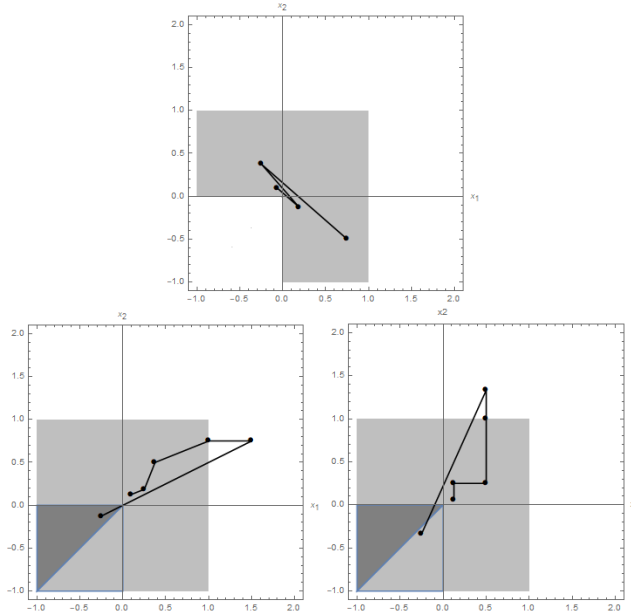


FIGURE 5. Example of Picard iterations.

where  $G_K$  is the subgraph of  $G$  determined by  $K$ .

If  $T$  maps  $K$  into  $K$ , i.e.,  $T$  is self-mapping, then there are hypotheses which imply that  $Fix(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Such results are Bianchini fixed point theorems [24] with  $X = K$ , some theorems established by F. Bojor [26] and other authors.

The next theorem establishes a fixed point theorem for non-self Bianchini contractions defined on a Banach space endowed with a graph.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $(X, d, G)$  be a Banach space endowed with a simple directed and weakly connected graph  $G$  such that the property (L) holds. Let  $K$  be a nonempty closed subset of  $X$  and let  $T : K \rightarrow X$  be a Bianchini contraction. If  $K_T := \{x \in \partial K : (x, Tx) \in E(G)\} \neq \emptyset$ ,  $T$  has property (M) and  $T$  satisfies the Rothe's boundary condition  $T(\partial K) \subset K$ , then*

(i)  $Fix(T) = \{x^*\}$ ;

(ii) Picard iteration  $\{x_n = T^n x_0\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  converges to  $x^*$ , for all  $x_0 \in K_T$ , and the following estimate holds

$$d(x^*, x_n) \leq \frac{a^{n-1}}{a-1} \cdot \max \{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, x_2)\}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (3.8)$$

*Proof.* If  $T(K) \subset K$ , then  $T$  is self-mapping and the prove is given by Bianchini fixed point theorem, see [24]. Therefore, we consider only the case  $T(K) \cap (X \setminus K) \neq \emptyset$ , i.e., there is at least one  $x \in K$  such that  $Tx \in X \setminus K$ . The proof has two parts: first we construct the Picard iteration and establish some properties of this sequence and after that we prove that Picard iteration is a Cauchy sequence.

Let  $x_0 \in K_T$ . Since  $(x_0, Tx_0) \in E(G)$  and  $T$  is well defined on a metric space endowed with the graph  $G$ , then we have  $(T^n x_0, T^{n+1} x_0) \in E(G)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

In the following, we construct the Picard iteration  $\Xi := \{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ . First, we denote  $x_1 = y_1 = Tx_0$  and for  $n \geq 2$  we proceed in the following way: if  $Tx_{n-1} \in K$  then  $x_n = y_n = Tx_{n-1}$ , else  $Tx_{n-1} \notin K$  and we can choose a  $\lambda_n \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$x_n = (1 - \lambda_n)x_{n-1} + \lambda_n Tx_{n-1} \in \partial K.$$

Now, we can consider two disjoint subsets of the Picard iteration  $\Xi$ . One set is

$$P = \{x_k \in \Xi; x_k = y_k = Tx_{k-1}, k \in N_P \subset \mathbb{N}\} \subset K$$

and other one is

$$Q = \{x_k \in \Xi; x_k \neq Tx_{k-1}, k \in N_Q \subset \mathbb{N}\} \subset \partial K.$$

By virtue of Rothe's boundary condition, in  $Q$  there is no two consecutive terms of  $\Xi$ , but in  $P$  we can have consecutive terms of  $\Xi$ . So, for a given  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  we can have the following three hypothetical cases: (1)  $x_n, x_{n+1} \in P$ ; (2)  $x_n \in P, x_{n+1} \in Q$  and (3)  $x_n \in Q, x_{n+1} \in P$ .

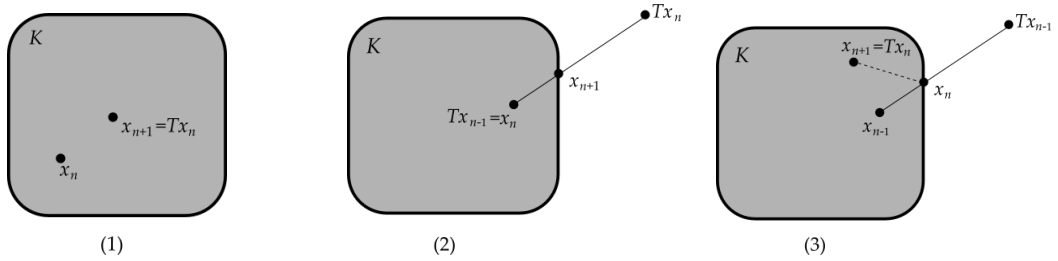


FIGURE 6. The three hypothetical cases:

(1)  $x_n, x_{n+1} \in P$ ; (2)  $x_n \in P, x_{n+1} \in Q$ ; (3)  $x_n \in Q, x_{n+1} \in P$ .

Next, we study the influence of Bianchini condition (3.7) upon the distance between the terms of  $\Xi$  in all three cases from above.

**Case 1.** Assume that  $x_n, x_{n+1} \in P$  and

$$\max \{d(x_n, Tx_n), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})\} = d(x_n, Tx_n).$$

Since  $d(x_n, Tx_n) = d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n)$ , by (3.7) we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq a \cdot d(x_n, x_{n+1})$$

which implies the inequality

$$(1 - a) \cdot d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq 0$$

and this cannot be hold. So, this situation can not occurs.

Assume that  $x_n, x_{n+1} \in P$  and

$$\max \{d(x_n, Tx_n), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})\} = d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) = d(x_{n-1}, x_n).$$

In this case,  $d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) = d(x_n, x_{n+1})$  and (3.7) implies

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq a \cdot d(x_{n-1}, x_n). \tag{3.9}$$

**Case 2.** Assume that  $x_n \in P$  and  $x_{n+1} \in Q$ . Hence, there is  $\lambda_{n+1} \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$x_{n+1} = (1 - \lambda_{n+1})x_n + \lambda_{n+1}Tx_n \in \partial K,$$

which actually express the fact the

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) = d(x_n, Tx_n).$$

Hence, we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) = d(x_n, Tx_n) - d(x_{n+1}, Tx_n) \leq d(x_n, Tx_n) = d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n).$$

Now, by (3.7) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq a \cdot \max \{d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}), d(x_n, Tx_n)\} \\ &\leq a \cdot \max \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, Tx_n)\}. \end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

If we consider that  $\max \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, Tx_n)\} = d(x_{n-1}, x_n)$ , then (3.10) is equivalent to (3.9). On the other hand, if  $\max \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_n, Tx_n)\} = d(x_n, Tx_n)$  then (3.10) implies

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, Tx_n) = d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq a \cdot d(x_n, Tx_n) = a \cdot d(Tx_{n-1}, Tx_n) \\ &\leq a^2 \cdot \max \{d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}), d(x_n, Tx_n)\} \\ &= a^2 \cdot d(x_n, Tx_n). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $a \in (0, 1)$ , the last inequality implies  $a \cdot d(x_n, Tx_n) < a^2 \cdot d(x_n, Tx_n)$  which is equivalent to

$$a(1-a) \cdot d(x_n, Tx_n) < 0$$

and this cannot hold in our hypotheses.

**Case 3.** Assume that  $x_n \in Q$  and  $x_{n+1} \in P$ , i.e.,  $x_n \neq Tx_{n-1} = y_n$ ,  $x_n \in \partial K$  and  $x_{n+1} = Tx_n$ . In this case,  $0 < d(x_{n+1}, x_n) = d(x_n, Tx_n)$  and the property (M) implies

$$d(x_n, Tx_n) \leq d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) = d(Tx_{n-2}, Tx_{n-1}). \quad (3.11)$$

Hence, by (3.7) we obtain

$$d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \leq a \cdot \max \{d(x_{n-2}, Tx_{n-2}), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})\}. \quad (3.12)$$

Now, if we assume that

$$\max \{d(x_{n-2}, Tx_{n-2}), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})\} = d(x_{n-2}, Tx_{n-2}) = d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1}),$$

then  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq a \cdot d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})$ .

Else, if we consider that

$$\max \{d(x_{n-2}, Tx_{n-2}), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})\} = d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) = d(Tx_{n-2}, Tx_{n-1}),$$

then

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) &\leq a \cdot d(Tx_{n-2}, Tx_{n-1}) \\ &\leq a^2 \cdot \max \{d(x_{n-2}, Tx_{n-2}), d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1})\} \\ &= a^2 \cdot d(x_{n-1}, Tx_{n-1}) = a^2 \cdot d(Tx_{n-2}, Tx_{n-1}). \end{aligned}$$

This implies  $d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq a^k \cdot d(Tx_{n-2}, Tx_{n-1})$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and this cannot occur.

At the end of the first part of the proof, we can say that for the elements from the iterative sequence  $\Xi = \{x_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  the following inequality holds

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq a \cdot \max \{d(x_{n-1}, x_n), d(x_{n-2}, x_{n-1})\}, \quad (3.13)$$

for all  $n \geq 2$ . Now, using consecutively these inequalities (3.13), we obtain

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq a^{n-1} \cdot \max \{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, x_2)\}, \quad n \geq 2. \quad (3.14)$$

In the second part of this proof, we show that  $\Xi$  is Cauchy sequence and  $T$  has at least one fixed point. For any  $n, p \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$d(x_n, x_{n+p}) \leq \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} d(x_{n+k}, x_{n+k+1}).$$



Now, by (3.14) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_{n+p}) &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} a^{n+k-1} \cdot \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, x_2)\} \\ &= \frac{a^{n-1}(1-a^p)}{1-a} \cdot \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, x_2)\} \\ &< \frac{a^{n-1}}{a-1} \cdot \max\{d(x_0, x_1), d(x_1, x_2)\}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.15)$$

for any  $p \in \mathbb{N}$  and this shows that  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is Cauchy sequence in closed set  $K$ . So, the sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  converges to some point  $x^*$  in  $K$ . By triangle inequality we have

$$d(x^*, Tx^*) \leq d(x^*, y) + d(y, Tx^*), \quad y \in K. \quad (3.16)$$

Property (L) implies there is a subsequence  $\{x_{k_n}\}_{n \geq 1}$  of  $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  satisfying

$$(x_{k_n}, x^*) \in E(G) \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Hence, if we choose  $y = x_{k_{n+1}} = Tx_{k_n}$ , then (3.16) implies

$$d(x^*, Tx^*) \leq d(x^*, x_{k_{n+1}}) + d(x_{k_{n+1}}, Tx^*). \quad (3.17)$$

By Bianchini's type contraction condition (3.7) we have

$$d(x_{k_{n+1}}, Tx^*) \leq a \cdot \max\{d(x_{k_n}, Tx_{k_n}), d(x^*, Tx^*)\}. \quad (3.18)$$

So, the inequalities (3.17) and (3.18) imply

$$d(x^*, Tx^*) \leq d(x^*, x_{k_{n+1}}) + a \cdot \max\{d(x_{k_n}, Tx_{k_n}), d(x^*, Tx^*)\}.$$

Therefore, we can estimate the distance between  $x^*$  and  $Tx^*$  by

$$d(x^*, Tx^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-a} \cdot d(x^*, x_{k_{n+1}}) + \frac{a}{1-a} \cdot d(x_{k_n}, Tx_{k_n}) \text{ for all } n \geq 1.$$

and by (3.14) we obtain

$$d(x^*, Tx^*) \leq \frac{1}{1-a} \cdot d(x^*, x_{k_{n+1}}) + \frac{a^n}{1-a} \cdot \max\{d(x_{k_0}, x_{k_1}), d(x_{k_1}, x_{k_2})\}. \quad (3.19)$$

Letting now  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.19), results  $d(x^*, Tx^*) = 0$ , which shows that  $x^*$  is a fixed point of  $T$ .

Letting now  $p \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.15), results the error estimate given by (3.8).  $\square$

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