

## THE FIXED POINT PROPERTY IN $c_0$

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**ABSTRACT.** A closed convex subset of  $c_0$  has the fixed point property (fpp) if every nonexpansive self mapping of it has a fixed point. All nonempty weak compact convex subsets of  $c_0$  are known to have the fpp. We show that closed convex subsets with a nonempty interior and nonempty convex subsets which are compact in a topology slightly coarser than the weak topology may fail to have the fpp.

**1. Introduction.** We say a closed convex subset of the Banach space  $(X, \|\cdot\|)$  has the *fixed point property* (fpp) if every nonexpansive mapping  $T: C \rightarrow C$  has a fixed point. Here,  $T$  nonexpansive means  $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$ , for all  $x, y \in C$ . We ask which nonempty closed bounded convex subsets of  $c_0$  enjoy the fpp?

It is now well known that all nonempty weak compact convex subsets of  $c_0$  have the fpp [Maurey, 1980]. On the other hand, closed bounded convex subsets with a nonempty interior always fail to have the fpp, Proposition 1 below. That sets without interior may also fail to have the fpp is demonstrated by  $B_{c_0}^+ := \{(x_n) : 0 \leq x_n \leq 1, \text{ all } n\}$  on which  $T: (x_n) \mapsto (1, x_1, x_2, \dots)$  is a fixed point free isometry.

We refine this last example by showing that closed bounded convex subsets of  $c_0$  which are compact in a locally convex topology only ‘slightly’ coarser than the weak topology may fail to have the fpp. This lends support to the following.

**CONJECTURE.** In  $c_0$  the only closed bounded convex subsets with the fpp are weak compact.

**PROPOSITION 1.** *Let  $C$  be a closed bounded convex subset of  $c_0$ . If the set  $C$  has an interior point then  $C$  fails the fpp.*

**PROOF.** Without loss of generality we may suppose that  $0 \in \text{int}(C)$ , so there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $B[0, \varepsilon] \subset C$ .

We define  $R: C \rightarrow B[0, \varepsilon]^+$  by

$$R((x(n))) = ((|x(n)| \wedge \varepsilon))$$

where  $|x(n)| \wedge \varepsilon := \min\{|x(n)|, \varepsilon\}$ , and  $B[0, \varepsilon]^+ = \{(x(n)) \in B[0, \varepsilon] : x(n) \geq 0\}$ . In order to prove that  $R$  is nonexpansive, we apply the well known James-Birkhoff inequality:

$$|a \wedge \varepsilon - b \wedge \varepsilon| \leq |a - b|, \quad \text{for every } a, b, \varepsilon \in \mathbf{R}.$$

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Therefore we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \|R(x) - R(y)\| &= \sup\{ |x(n) \wedge \varepsilon - |y(n) \wedge \varepsilon| : n = 1, 2, \dots \} \\ &\leq \sup\{ |x(n) - |y(n)| : n = 1, 2, \dots \} \leq \|x - y\|. \end{aligned}$$

Now we define the mappings  $S: B[0, \varepsilon]^+ \rightarrow B[0, \varepsilon]^+$  by

$$S((x(n))) = (\varepsilon, x(1), x(2), \dots),$$

and  $T: C \rightarrow B[0, \varepsilon]^+$  by  $T := S \circ R$ .

This map  $T$  is a nonexpansive selfmapping of  $C$ . If there exists  $x \in C$  with  $T(x) = x$ , then  $x \in B[0, \varepsilon]^+, R(x) = x$ , and  $T(x) = S(x) = x$ , a contradiction. ■

**2. The  $\mathcal{E}$ -topology on  $c_0$ .** Let  $d := (1, 1, 1, \dots, 1, \dots) \in \ell_\infty = c_0^{**}$ , and let  $E$  be the closed subspace of  $\ell_1$  given by  $E := \ker(d)$ . That is,  $E = \{ (y(n)) \in \ell_1 : \sum y(n) = 0 \}$ . By [Guerre-Delabrière, 1992, Lemma 1.1.11]  $E$  is a norming subspace for  $c_0$ . Alternatively it is easily verified by direct calculation (see, for example, Lemma 2.8 below) that in this case

$$\frac{1}{2} \|x\|_\infty \leq \sup\{ \langle x, y \rangle : y \in E, \|y\|_1 \leq 1 \} \leq \|x\|_\infty,$$

where  $\langle x, y \rangle = \sum x(k)y(k)$ , as usual. Consequently  $E$  separates points of  $c_0$  and so, by [Jameson, 1974, 27.3], the set  $E$  is dense in  $c_0^* = \ell_1$  with respect to the weak\* topology. We consider  $c_0$  equipped with the topology  $\mathcal{E} := \sigma(c_0, E)$ . That is,  $\mathcal{E}$  is the smallest locally convex linear topology on  $c_0$  making continuous all the elements of  $E$  (as linear functionals on  $c_0$ ).

The topology  $\mathcal{E}$  may be seen as ‘slightly’ coarser than the weak topology on  $c_0$ , being induced by a norming codimension one subspace of  $c_0^*$ . It displays some unusual, though not too pathological, properties. For example, the following five propositions can be proved by more or less standard methods of locally convex space theory.

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *The topology  $\mathcal{E}$  consist of  $\emptyset, c_0$ , all finite intersections of the sets*

$$\left\{ (x(n)) \in c_0 : a < \sum x(n)y(n) < b, \sum y(n) = 0 \right\}$$

*and all arbitrary unions of these finite intersections.*

**PROPOSITION 2.2.**  *$\mathcal{E}$  is Hausdorff.*

**PROPOSITION 2.3.** *A sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $c_0$  is  $\mathcal{E}$  convergent to  $x \in c_0$  if and only if for every  $y \in E$ ,*

$$\langle x_n, y \rangle \rightarrow \langle x, y \rangle.$$

**PROPOSITION 2.4.** *Every  $\mathcal{E}$ -convergent sequence is bounded.*

**PROPOSITION 2.5.** *Let  $M$  be a bounded subset of  $c_0$  and let  $x \in \mathcal{E}\text{-cl} M$ . Then there exists a sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $M$  such that  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} x$ .*

On the other hand, we have some results which are specific for the topology  $\mathcal{E}$ .

REMARK 2.6. The sequence  $(d_n)$  in  $c_0$  given by

$$d_n := (\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_n, 0, 0, \dots)$$

$\mathcal{E}$ -converges to 0, but  $(d_n)$  does not have weakly null subsequences. Indeed, for  $y = (y(n)) \in E$ ,

$$\langle d_n, y \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n y(j) \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Note that  $(d_n)$  is the standard *summing basis* for  $c_0$ .

REMARK 2.7. Let  $(x_n)$  be a sequence in  $c_0$  which is  $\mathcal{E}$ -convergent to  $x \in c_0$ . Since, the vector  $y := (\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_k, -k, 0, \dots)$  belongs to  $E$ , we have

$$x_n(1) + \dots + x_n(k) - kx_n(k+1) \rightarrow x(1) + \dots + x(k) - kx(k+1)$$

and so

$$\frac{x_n(1) + \dots + x_n(k)}{k} - x_n(k+1) \rightarrow \frac{x(1) + \dots + x(k)}{k} - x(k+1).$$

Necessary conditions such as this help provide a better understanding of  $\mathcal{E}$ -convergence.

LEMMA 2.8. For every element  $x = (x(n)) \in c_0$  there exists a sequence  $(y_n)$  in  $E$  such that  $\|y_n\|_1 = 2$  and

$$|\langle x, y_n \rangle| \rightarrow \|x\|.$$

PROOF. Take  $x(l) \in \{x(n) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  such that  $|x(l)| = \|x\|$  and define

$$y_n := (\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_l, 1, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_n, -1, 0, \dots)$$

Clearly  $\|y_n\|_1 = 2$  and

$$|\langle x, y_n \rangle| = |x(l) - x(n+l)| \rightarrow |x(l)| = \|x\|, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

■

PROPOSITION 2.9. If a sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $c_0$  is  $\mathcal{E}$ -convergent to  $x \in c_0$  then  $\|x\| \leq 2 \liminf_n \|x_n\|$ .

PROOF. Take  $y \in E$ . We have

$$\langle x, y \rangle = \lim \langle x_n, y \rangle \leq \|y\|_1 \liminf \|x_n\|$$

We now apply the above lemma, to obtain a sequence  $(y_n)$  in  $E$  with  $\|y_n\|_1 = 2$  such that

$$|\langle x, y_n \rangle| \rightarrow \|x\|, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

and therefore the last inequality gives, for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$|\langle x, y_n \rangle| \leq \|y_n\|_1 \liminf_m \|x_m\|.$$

Taking limits we obtain the conclusion:

$$\|x\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\langle x, y_n \rangle| \leq 2 \liminf_m \|x_m\| \quad \blacksquare$$

REMARK 2.10. The bound 2 in the last inequality cannot be improved. For example, if we consider the sequence  $(d_n) \subset c_0$  defined above in Remark 2.6, then for  $e_1 := (1, 0, \dots)$  we have  $d_n - 2e_1 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} -2e_1$ , but

$$\| -2e_1 \| = 2 = 2 \liminf \|d_n - 2e_1\|.$$

REMARK 2.11. There exist bounded, convex, norm-closed sets which are not  $\mathcal{E}$ -closed (That is, we do not have a Mazur’s theorem for the  $\mathcal{E}$ -topology). To see this, let  $K$  be the norm closed convex hull of the set  $D = \{d_n : n = 1, \dots\}$ . Obviously every convex combination  $y$  of vectors  $d_n$  must verify  $y(1) = 1$ , and so  $\|y\| = 1$ . Therefore

$$0 = \mathcal{E} - \lim d_n \notin K,$$

and  $K$  is not  $\mathcal{E}$ -closed.

REMARK 2.12. The right shift  $S: c_0 \rightarrow c_0$  is not  $\mathcal{E}$ -continuous. Indeed, the sequence  $(d_n)$  is  $\mathcal{E}$ -convergent to 0 but for  $y \in E$  with  $y(1) \neq 0$  we have

$$\langle S(d_n), y \rangle = \sum_{j=2}^n y(j) = \left( \sum_{j=1}^n y(j) \right) - y(1) \rightarrow -y(1), \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

and so  $(S(d_n))$  does not converges to  $S(0)$ .

PROPOSITION 2.13. A sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $c_0$  is weakly convergent to  $x \in c_0$  if and only if  $(S(x_n))$  is  $\mathcal{E}$ -convergent to  $S(x)$ .

PROOF. Since the right shift  $S$  is weak continuous we have that if  $x_n \xrightarrow{w} x$  then  $S(x_n) \xrightarrow{w} S(x)$ , and so  $S(x_n) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} S(x)$ . Conversely, for every  $y = (y(1), y(2), \dots) \in \ell_1$  we have that

$$\tilde{y} := \left( -\sum y(j), y(1), y(2), \dots \right) \in E$$

If  $S(x_n) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} S(x)$  then  $\langle S(x_n), \tilde{y} \rangle \rightarrow \langle S(x), \tilde{y} \rangle$ . But it is easy to see that  $\langle S(x_n), \tilde{y} \rangle = \langle x_n, y \rangle$  and  $\langle S(x), \tilde{y} \rangle = \langle x, y \rangle$ , which yields the conclusion.  $\blacksquare$

$\mathcal{E}$ -convergence can also be related to weak\* convergence in  $c_0^{**} = \ell_\infty$ .

PROPOSITION 2.14. For a bounded sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $c_0$  we have for the following conditions that (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii).

(i) For some  $\lambda_1$  we have  $\hat{x}_n \xrightarrow{w^*} \lambda_1 d$ .

(ii)  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} 0$ .

(iii) There exists a subsequence  $(x_{n_k})$  with  $\hat{x}_{n_k} \xrightarrow{w^*} \lambda_2 d$ , for some  $\lambda_2 \in \mathbf{R}$ .

PROOF. If  $\hat{x}_n \xrightarrow{w^*} \lambda_1 d$ , then for  $f \in \ker d$  we have  $f(x_n) = \hat{x}_n(f) \rightarrow \lambda_1 d(f) = 0$ , so (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii).

Suppose  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} 0$  and let  $f_0 := (1/2, 1/4, 1/8, \dots, 1/2^n, \dots) \in \ell_1$ , so  $d(f_0) = 1$ . Choose a subsequence  $x_{n_k}$  such that  $\lim_k f_0(x_{n_k})$  exists, and equals  $\lambda_2$  say. Then for  $f \in c_0^* = \ell_1$  we have  $f = d(f)f_0 + g$ , where  $g = f - d(f)f_0 \in E = \ker(d)$ , and so  $\hat{x}_{n_k}(f) = f(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow d(f)\lambda_2 = \lambda_2 d(f)$ . Thus (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii). ■

3.  $c_0$  fails the  $\mathcal{E}$ -fpp. Let  $d_0 := 0$  and for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$  define  $d_n$  as above;

$$d_n := (\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_n, 0, 0, \dots)$$

To demonstrate the failure of the  $\mathcal{E}$ -fpp in  $c_0$ , we show that

$$K := \overline{\text{co}}\{d_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$$

consisting of vectors of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n d_n = (1 - \lambda_0, 1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1), 1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2), \dots),$$

where  $\lambda_n \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n = 1$ , is a  $\mathcal{E}$ -compact convex set which admits a fixed point free affine isometry. Indeed  $T$  defined by

$$T(1 - \lambda_0, 1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1), \dots) := (1, 1 - \lambda_0, 1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1), \dots)$$

is such a map. The proof of these claims occupies the remainder of this section and is contained in the following lemmas.

LEMMA 3.1. For the mapping  $T$  defined above we have

- (i)  $T$  maps  $K$  into  $K$ ,
- (ii)  $T$  is an isometry,
- (iii)  $T$  is fixed point free in  $K$ .

PROOF. To establish (i) it suffices to note that for  $\lambda_n \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} T\left(\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n d_n\right) &= (1, 1 - \lambda_0, 1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1), \dots) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^\infty \lambda_{n-1} d_n \in K. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) follows, since for  $x = (1 - \lambda_0, 1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1), \dots)$  and  $y = (1 - \mu_0, 1 - (\mu_0 + \mu_1), \dots)$  we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \|Tx - Ty\| &= \|(0, \mu_0 - \lambda_0, \mu_0 + \mu_1 - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1, \dots)\| \\ &= \|(\mu_0 - \lambda_0, \mu_0 + \mu_1 - \lambda_0 - \lambda_1, \dots)\| \\ &= \|x - y\|. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, if  $x = (1 - \lambda_0, 1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1), \dots)$  were such that  $x = Tx = (1, 1 - \lambda_0, 1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1), \dots)$  then we would have  $\lambda_0 = 0, \lambda_1 = 0, \dots$  contradicting the requirement that  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n = 1$ . Indeed,  $T(0) = (1, 0, 0, \dots) \neq 0$ , and so we have (iii). ■

LEMMA 3.2.  $K$  is  $\mathcal{E}$ -closed.

PROOF. For  $n = 1, 2, \dots$  let

$$x_n = \sum_{k=0}^\infty \lambda_k^{(n)} d_k = (1 - \lambda_0^{(n)}, 1 - \lambda_0^{(n)} - \lambda_1^{(n)}, \dots),$$

where  $\lambda_k^{(n)} \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^\infty \lambda_k^{(n)} = 1$ , be such that  $x_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} x = (\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots)$ .

Choosing  $f := (1, -1, 0, 0, \dots) \in E$  we have

$$f(x_n - x) = (1 - \lambda_0^{(n)} - \mu_1) - (1 - \lambda_0^{(n)} - \lambda_1^{(n)} - \mu_2) \rightarrow 0.$$

That is,

$$\lambda_1^{(n)} \rightarrow \mu_1 - \mu_2.$$

Similarly, choosing  $f := (0, 1, -1, 0, 0, \dots)$  we obtain

$$\lambda_2^{(n)} \rightarrow \mu_2 - \mu_3,$$

and in general

$$\lambda_k^{(n)} \rightarrow \mu_k - \mu_{k+1}.$$

Thus, for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\lambda_k := \mu_k - \mu_{k+1} = \lim_n \lambda_k^{(n)} \geq 0$$

and

$$x = (\mu_1, \mu_1 - \lambda_1, \mu_1 - \lambda_1 - \lambda_2, \dots) \in c_0.$$

So we must have

$$\mu_1 = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k \geq 0,$$

and then, provided  $\mu_1 \leq 1$ ,

$$x = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k d_k \in K$$

But, given  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $N$  so that

$$\mu_1 = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k < \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k + \epsilon/2,$$

and there exists  $n$  for which

$$|\lambda_k - \lambda_k^{(n)}| \leq \epsilon/2N, \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots, N.$$

Thus,

$$\mu_1 \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_k^{(n)} + \epsilon \leq 1 + \epsilon, \quad \text{as } \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \lambda_k^{(n)} = 1,$$

and so  $\mu_1 \leq 1$ , as required. ■

Since  $d_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{E}} d_0$ , we have that  $\{d_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  is  $\mathcal{E}$ -compact. The  $\mathcal{E}$ -compactness of  $K$  then follows from Lemma 3.2, the definition of  $\mathcal{E}$ , and the following general result.

**LEMMA 3.3.** *Let  $X$  be a separable Banach space and let  $M$  be a closed norming subspace of  $X^*$ . If  $D \subset X$  is  $\sigma(X, M)$ -compact then  $\text{co}(D)$  is  $\sigma(X, M)$ -precompact.*

**PROOF.** Since  $M$  is closed and norming,  $D$  is bounded and, equipped with the relative  $\sigma(X, M)$  topology, is a compact Hausdorff space. Let  $C := C(D, \sigma(X, M))$ , the space of continuous real valued functions on  $D$  with this topology. Then  $V$  defined by

$$V(f)(m) := f(m|_D), \quad \text{for } f \in C^* \text{ and } m \in M$$

is a weak\* to weak\*; that is,  $\sigma(C^*, C)$  to  $\sigma(M^*, M)$ , continuous linear operator from  $C^*$  to  $M^*$ . Since  $M$  is norming,  $X$  may be identified with a closed subspace of  $M^*$  (the space  $(X, \|\cdot\|')$  is complete, where  $\|x\|' := \sup\{m(x) : m \in M, \|m\| \leq 1\}$ ). It suffices to show that  $V(C^*) \subseteq X$ , as then  $V(B_{C^*})$  is a  $\sigma(X, M)$ -compact convex subset of  $X$  containing  $D$  (for  $d \in D$  consider the action of  $V$  on  $d$  regarded as a point measure in  $B_{C^*}$ ).

To establish that  $V(C^*) \subseteq X$  we first note that if  $f \in C^*$  then  $V(f)$  is  $\sigma(M, X)$  boundedly continuous. Indeed, since  $X$  is separable, bounded subsets of  $M$  are  $\sigma(M, X)$  metrizable. So, if  $(m_n)$  is a bounded sequence in  $M$  with  $m_n \rightarrow m$  in the  $\sigma(M, X)$  topology then the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem gives that  $f(m_n|_D) \rightarrow f(m|_D)$ , as required.

Now, suppose there is an  $f \in C^*$  with  $g := V(f) \notin X$ . Then there exists  $F \in M^{**}$  with  $\|F\| = 1$ ,  $F(g) \neq 0$ , and  $F|_X = 0$ .  $B_M$  is  $\sigma(M^{**}, M^*)$  dense in  $B_{M^{**}}$ , so there is a net  $(m_i) \subset B_M$  with  $\hat{m}_i(m^*) \rightarrow F(m^*)$ , for all  $m^* \in M^*$ . In particular  $\hat{m}_i(x) \rightarrow F(x) = 0$ , for all  $x \in X \leq M^*$ . That is,  $m_i \rightarrow 0$  in the  $\sigma(M, X)$  topology, and so since  $(m_i)$  is bounded  $g(m_i) \rightarrow g(0) = 0$ . But,  $g \in M^*$  so  $g(m_i) = \hat{m}_i(g) \rightarrow F(g) \neq 0$ , a contradiction establishing the result. ■

**4. Further results.** In this section we note that the construction of the  $\mathcal{E}$ -topology can be generalized to obtain a family of similar topologies for some of which compact convex sets  $C$  may fail to have the fpp even for *contractive* mappings; that is, mappings  $T: C \rightarrow C$  satisfying  $\|Tx - Ty\| < \|x - y\|$ , whenever  $x \neq y$ . Most of the proofs require only minor modifications to those given in sections 2 and 3 for the  $\mathcal{E}$ -topology, and so will be omitted.

To effect the generalization let  $a = (a(n)) \in \ell_\infty$  be any sequence of ‘weights’ satisfying  $\alpha \leq a(n) \leq \beta$ , for some  $0 < \alpha \leq \beta < \infty$ , and take

$$\mathcal{E}_a := \sigma(c_0, \ker(a)),$$

the coarsest (locally convex linear topology) on  $c_0$  making each functional in  $E_a$  continuous, where  $E_a := \{y(n) \in \ell_\infty : \sum a(n)y(n) = 0\}$ .

Proposition 2.1 remains true with the obvious modifications, namely:

PROPOSITION 4.1. *The topology  $\mathcal{E}_a$  consists of  $\emptyset$ ,  $c_0$ , all finite intersections of the sets*

$$\left\{ (x(n)) \in c_0 : a < \sum x(n)y(n) < b, \sum a(n)y(n) = 0 \right\}$$

and all arbitrary unions of these finite intersections.

Again  $E_a$  is a norming subspace for  $c_0$ , indeed

$$\frac{\beta}{\alpha + \beta} \|x\|_\infty \leq \sup \{ \langle x, y \rangle : y \in E_a, \|y\|_1 \leq 1 \} \leq \|x\|_\infty,$$

so  $\mathcal{E}_a$  is Hausdorff.

Similarly one can verify Propositions 2.3, 2.4 and 2.5 with  $E$  replaced by  $E_a$  and  $\mathcal{E}$  replaced by  $\mathcal{E}_a$ .

The sequence  $(d_n)$  need not converge to 0 with respect to the  $\mathcal{E}_a$  topology. Indeed, for  $y = (y(n)) \in E_a$

$$\langle d_n, y \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n y(j)$$

and it is generally untrue that the above sum converges to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . On the other hand, if we replace  $(d_n)$  by the sequence  $(a_n)$  given by

$$a_n := (a(1), \dots, a(n), 0, 0, \dots)$$

we have

PROPOSITION 4.2. *The sequence  $a_n$  is  $\mathcal{E}_a$ -convergent to 0 and does not have weakly null subsequences. Indeed, for  $y = (y(n)) \in E_a$ ,*

$$\langle a_n, y \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n a(j)y(j) \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Variants of Lemma 2.8 and Proposition 2.9 also hold for  $\mathcal{E}_a$  as do analogues of Remarks 2.10, 2.11 and 2.12.

LEMMA 4.3. *For every element  $x = (x(n)) \in c_0$  there exists  $(y_n)$  in  $E_a$  such that*

$$1 + \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \leq \|y_n\|_1 \leq 1 + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}$$

and

$$|\langle x, y_n \rangle| \rightarrow \|x\|.$$

The proof is essentially the same as that for Lemma 2.8 if the  $-1$  in the definition of  $y_n$  is replaced by  $-a(l)/a(n+l)$ .

Using this lemma we can prove the following in a way similar to that for Proposition 2.9.

PROPOSITION 4.4. *If a sequence  $(x_n)$  in  $c_0$  is  $\mathcal{E}_a$ -convergent to  $x \in c_0$  then*

$$\|x\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\beta}{\alpha}\right) \liminf_n \|x_n\|.$$

To obtain instances where the  $\mathcal{E}_a$ -fpp fails we put  $a_0 := 0$  and take

$$K_a := \overline{\text{co}}\{a_n\}_{n=0}^\infty.$$

Then  $K_a$  consists of vectors of the form

$$\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n a_n = \left(a(1)(1 - \lambda_0), a(2)(1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)), a(3)(1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 + \lambda_2)), \dots\right),$$

where  $\lambda_n \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n = 1$ .

That  $K_a$  is  $\mathcal{E}_a$ -closed follows by effectively the same argument as that used for Lemma 3.2 with the functional  $f$  employed at the  $n$ -th step of the induction replaced by  $f := (0, \dots, 1, -a(n)/a(n+1), 0, \dots)$ , where the 1 occurs in the  $n$ -th position. This, in combination with Proposition 4.2 and Lemma 3.3, establishes the following.

PROPOSITION 4.5.  *$K_a$  is an  $\mathcal{E}_a$ -compact convex set.*

Now define  $T_a$  to be the affine map given by

$$T_a\left(a(1)(1 - \lambda_0), a(2)(1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)), \dots\right) := \left(a(1), a(2)(1 - \lambda_0), a(3)(1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)), \dots\right).$$

In other words,

$$T_a\left(\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n a_n\right) := \sum_{n=1}^\infty \lambda_{n-1} a_n.$$

It is clear that  $T_a$  maps  $K_a$  into  $K_a$ . Moreover, if

$$x = \left(a(1)(1 - \lambda_0), a(2)(1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)), \dots\right)$$

were such that

$$x = T_a(x) = \left(a(1), a(2)(1 - \lambda_0), a(3)(1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)), \dots\right)$$

then we would have  $\lambda_0 = 0, \lambda_1 = \lambda_0, \dots$  contradicting the requirement that  $\sum_{n=0}^\infty \lambda_n = 1$ , so  $T_a$  is fixed point free in  $K_a$ .

Further, if

$$x = \left(a(1)(1 - \lambda_0), a(2)(1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)), \dots\right)$$

and

$$y = \left(a(1)(1 - \mu_0), a(2)(1 - (\mu_0 + \mu_1)), \dots\right)$$

are elements of  $K_a$  then

$$\|x - y\| = \max\{a(1)|\mu_0 - \lambda_0|, a(2)|\mu_0 - \lambda_0 + \mu_1 - \lambda_1|, \dots\}.$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned}Tx &= \left( a(1), a(2)(1 - \lambda_0), a(3)(1 - (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1)), \dots \right), \\Ty &= \left( a(1), a(2)(1 - \mu_0), a(3)(1 - (\mu_0 + \mu_1)), \dots \right)\end{aligned}$$

and so,

$$\|Tx - Ty\| = \max\{a(2)|\mu_0 - \lambda_0|, a(3)|\mu_0 - \lambda_0 + \mu_1 - \lambda_1|, \dots\}.$$

We therefore arrive at the following conclusion.

**PROPOSITION 4.6.**  $T_a: K_a \rightarrow K_a$  is a fixed point free (contractive) nonexpansive mapping of the nonempty  $E_a$ -compact convex set  $K_a$  whenever the sequence of weights  $a = (a_n)$  is (strictly) decreasing.

**REMARK 4.7.** Similar constructions and conclusions can be achieved in the James space  $J$  and in various equivalent renormings of  $c_0$ . This leads us to ask the following.

**QUESTION.** To what extent can the above construction and results be extended

- (a) in  $c_0$ , and
- (b) into other Banach spaces?

We also reiterate our earlier conjecture.

**QUESTION.** Does the nonexpansive-fpp for a closed bounded convex set in  $c_0$  characterize the set being weak compact?

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