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# Approximation of Common Fixed Points of a Sequence of Nearly Nonexpansive Mappings and Solutions of Variational Inequality Problems

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We introduce an explicit iterative scheme for computing a common fixed point of a sequence of nearly nonexpansive mappings defined on a closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space which is also a solution of a variational inequality problem. We prove a strong convergence theorem for a sequence generated by the considered iterative scheme under suitable conditions. Our strong convergence theorem extends and improves several corresponding results in the context of nearly nonexpansive mappings.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$  with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and norm  $\| \cdot \|$ , respectively. A mapping  $T : C \rightarrow H$  is called the following:

(1) *monotone* if

$$\langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x, y \in C, \quad (1.1)$$

(2)  *$\eta$ -strongly monotone* if there exists a positive real number  $\eta$  such that

$$\langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle \geq \eta \|x - y\|^2 \quad \forall x, y \in C, \quad (1.2)$$

(3)  *$k$ -Lipschitzian* if there exists a constant  $k > 0$  such that

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq k \|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in C, \quad (1.3)$$

(4) *nonexpansive* if

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in C, \quad (1.4)$$

(5) *nearly nonexpansive* [1, 2] with respect to a fixed sequence  $\{a_n\}$  in  $[0, \infty)$  with  $a_n \rightarrow 0$  if

$$\|T^n x - T^n y\| \leq \|x - y\| + a_n \quad \forall x, y \in C \text{ and } n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (1.5)$$

In [3], Moudafi proposed viscosity approximation methods of selecting a particular fixed point of a given nonexpansive mapping in Hilbert spaces (see [4] for further developments in both Hilbert and Banach spaces). Let  $f$  be a contraction on  $H$ . Starting with an arbitrary initial  $x_1 \in H$ , define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  recursively by

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n f(x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (1.6)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$ . It is proved in [4] that under appropriate conditions imposed on  $\{\alpha_n\}$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  generated by (1.6) strongly converges to the unique solution  $x^* \in C$  of the variational inequality

$$\langle (I - f)x^*, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in C, \quad (1.7)$$

where  $C = F(T)$ , the set of fixed points of  $T$ .

In 2006, Marino and Xu [5] introduced the viscosity iterative method for nonexpansive mappings. Starting with an arbitrary initial  $x_1 \in H$ , define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  recursively by

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n \gamma f(x_n) + (I - \alpha_n A)Tx_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (1.8)$$

They proved that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  generated by (1.8) converges strongly to the unique solution of the variational inequality

$$\langle (A - \gamma f)x^*, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in C, \quad (1.9)$$

which is the optimality condition for the minimization problem

$$\min_{x \in C} \frac{1}{2} \langle Ax, x \rangle - h(x), \quad (1.10)$$

where  $h$  is a potential function for  $\gamma f$  (i.e.,  $h'(x) = \gamma f(x)$  for all  $x \in H$ ), and  $A$  is a strongly positive bounded linear operator on  $H$ ; that is, there is a constant  $\bar{\gamma} > 0$  such that

$$\langle Ax, x \rangle \geq \bar{\gamma} \|x\|^2 \quad \forall x \in H. \quad (1.11)$$

The applications of the iterative method (1.8) have been studied by some researchers (see [6, 7]).

Also, Wang [8, 9] and Wang and Hu [10] introduced the iterative method for nonexpansive mappings.

Recently, Tian [11] proposed an implicit and an explicit schemes on combining the iterative methods of Marino and Xu [5] and Yamada [12]. He also proved the strong convergence of these two schemes to a fixed point of a nonexpansive mapping  $T$  defined on a real Hilbert space under suitable conditions.

More recently, Ceng et al. [13] introduced an implicit and an explicit schemes using the properties of projection for finding the fixed points of a nonexpansive mapping defined on the closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space. They also proved the strong convergence of the sequences generated by the proposed schemes to a fixed point of a nonexpansive mapping which is also a solution of a variational inequality defined on the set of fixed points.

Aoyama et al. [14] proved strong convergence of an iterative scheme for a sequence of nonexpansive mappings as follows.

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $X$  be a uniformly convex Banach space whose norm is uniformly Gâteaux differentiable and  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $X$ . Let  $\{T_n\}$  be a sequence of nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself such that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $T$  be a mapping from  $C$  into itself defined by  $Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x$  for all  $x \in C$  and  $F(T) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $C$  generated by the following iterative process:*

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= x \in C, \\ x_{n+1} &= \alpha_n x + (1 - \alpha_n) T_n x_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \tag{1.12}$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $[0, 1]$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ ;
- (b) either  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < \infty$  or  $\alpha_n \in (0, 1]$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_{n+1} / \alpha_n = 1$ ;
- (c)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup\{\|T_n z - T_{n+1} z\| : z \in B\} < \infty$  for any bounded subset  $B$  of  $C$ .

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $Qx$ , where  $Q$  is the sunny nonexpansive retraction from  $X$  onto  $F(T)$ .

Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $\mathcal{T} := \{T_n\}$  be a sequence of mappings from  $C$  into itself. We denote by  $F(\mathcal{T})$  the set of common fixed points of the sequence  $\mathcal{T}$ , that is,  $F(\mathcal{T}) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$ . Fix a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  in  $[0, \infty)$  with  $a_n \rightarrow 0$ , and let  $\{T_n\}$  be a sequence of mappings from  $C$  into  $H$ . Then, the sequence  $\{T_n\}$  is called a *sequence of nearly nonexpansive mappings* [15] with respect to a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  if

$$\|T_n x - T_n y\| \leq \|x - y\| + a_n \quad \forall x, y \in C, n \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{1.13}$$

It is obvious that the sequence of nearly nonexpansive mappings is a wider class of sequence of nonexpansive mappings.

In this paper, inspired by Aoyama et al. [14], Ceng et al. [13], and Sahu et al. [15], we introduce an explicit iterative scheme and prove a strong convergence theorem for computing an element of  $F(\mathcal{T})$ , the set of common fixed points of a sequence  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_n\}$  of nearly

nonexpansive mappings which is also a solution of a variational inequality over  $F(\mathcal{T})$ . Our result generalizes and improves the results of Ceng et al. [13], Tian [11], and many other related works.

## 2. Preliminaries

Throughout this paper, we denote by  $I$  the identity operator of  $H$ . Also, we denote by  $\rightarrow$  and  $\rightharpoonup$  the strong convergence and weak convergence, respectively. The symbol  $\mathbb{N}$  stands for the set of all natural numbers.

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Then, for any  $x \in H$ , there exists a unique nearest point in  $C$ , denoted by  $P_C(x)$ , such that

$$\|x - P_C(x)\| \leq \|x - y\| \quad \forall y \in C. \quad (2.1)$$

The mapping  $P_C$  is called the *metric projection* from  $H$  onto  $C$  (see [1]).

Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$  and  $T_1, T_2 : C \rightarrow H$  be two mappings. We denote  $\mathcal{B}(C)$ , the collection of all bounded subsets of  $C$ . The deviation between  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  on  $B \in \mathcal{B}(C)$ , denoted by  $\mathfrak{D}_B(T_1, T_2)$ , is defined by

$$\mathfrak{D}_B(T_1, T_2) = \sup\{\|T_1x - T_2x\| : x \in B\}. \quad (2.2)$$

The following lemmas will be needed to prove our main result.

**Lemma 2.1** (see [16]). *The metric projection mapping  $P_C$  is characterized by the following properties:*

- (a)  $P_C(x) \in C$  for all  $x \in H$ ;
- (b)  $\langle x - P_C(x), P_C(x) - y \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $x \in H$  and  $y \in C$ ;
- (c)  $\|x - y\|^2 \geq \|x - P_C(x)\|^2 + \|y - P_C(x)\|^2$  for all  $x \in H$  and  $y \in C$ ;
- (d)  $\langle P_C(x) - P_C(y), x - y \rangle \geq \|P_C(x) - P_C(y)\|^2$  for all  $x, y \in H$ .

**Lemma 2.2** (see [13]). *Let  $V : C \rightarrow H$  be an  $L$ -Lipschitzian mapping and  $F : C \rightarrow H$  be a  $k$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone operator. Then, for  $0 \leq \gamma L < \mu\eta$ ,*

$$\langle x - y, (\mu F - \gamma V)x - (\mu F - \gamma V)y \rangle \geq (\mu\eta - \gamma L)\|x - y\|^2 \quad \forall x, y \in C. \quad (2.3)$$

*That is,  $\mu F - \gamma V$  is strongly monotone with coefficient  $\mu\eta - \gamma L$ .*

**Lemma 2.3** (see [12]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Suppose that  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  and  $\mu > 0$ . Let  $F : C \rightarrow H$  be a  $k$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone operator on  $C$ . Define the mapping  $G : C \rightarrow H$  by*

$$Gx = x - \lambda\mu Fx \quad \forall x \in C. \quad (2.4)$$

*Then  $G$  is a contraction that provided  $\mu < 2\eta/k^2$ . More precisely, for  $\mu \in (0, 2\eta/k^2)$ ,*

$$\|Gx - Gy\| \leq (1 - \lambda\tau)\|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in C, \quad (2.5)$$

*where  $\tau = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \mu(2\eta - \mu k^2)} \in (0, 1]$ .*

**Lemma 2.4** (see [1]). Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping. Then  $I - T$  is demiclosed at zero; that is, if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $C$  weakly converging to some  $x \in C$  and the sequence  $\{(I - T)x_n\}$  converges strongly to 0, then  $x \in F(T)$ .

**Lemma 2.5** (see [17]). Assume that  $\{t_n\}$  is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers such that

$$t_{n+1} \leq (1 - \alpha_n)t_n + \alpha_n\beta_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (2.6)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  are sequences of nonnegative real numbers which satisfy the following conditions:

- (a)  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset (0, 1)$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ ;
- (b)  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n \leq 0$ , or
- (b')  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n\beta_n$  is convergent.

Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.6** (see [18]). Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$  and  $\lambda_i > 0$ . ( $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$ ) such that  $\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i = 1$ . Let  $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots, T_N : C \rightarrow C$  be nonexpansive mappings such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^N F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$ , and let  $T = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i T_i$ . Then  $T$  is nonexpansive from  $C$  into itself and  $F(T) = \bigcap_{i=1}^N F(T_i)$ .

### 3. Main Result

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $F : C \rightarrow H$  be a  $k$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone operator and  $V : C \rightarrow H$  be an  $L$ -Lipschitzian mapping. Let  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_n\}$  be a sequence of nearly nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself with respect to a sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  such that  $F(\mathcal{T}) \neq \emptyset$  and  $T$  be a mapping from  $C$  into itself defined by  $Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x$  for all  $x \in C$ . Suppose that  $F(T) = F(\mathcal{T})$ ,  $0 < \mu < 2\eta/k^2$  and  $0 \leq \gamma L < \tau$ , where  $\tau = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \mu(2\eta - \mu k^2)}$ . For an arbitrary  $x_1 \in C$ , consider the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  generated by the following iterative process:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &\in C, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_C [\alpha_n \gamma V x_n + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n] \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  satisfying the conditions:

- (a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ ;
- (b) either  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < \infty$  or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_{n+1}/\alpha_n = 1$ ;
- (c) either  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathfrak{D}_B(T_n, T_{n+1}) < \infty$  or  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathfrak{D}_B(T_n, T_{n+1})/\alpha_{n+1} = 0$  for each  $B \in \mathcal{B}(C)$ ;
- (d)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n/\alpha_n = 0$ .

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $\tilde{x} \in F(\mathcal{T})$ , where  $\tilde{x}$  is the unique solution of variational inequality

$$\langle (\mu F - \gamma V)\tilde{x}, \tilde{x} - y \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall y \in F(\mathcal{T}). \quad (3.2)$$

*Proof.* Let  $T$  be a mapping from  $C$  into itself defined by  $Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x$  for all  $x \in C$ . It is clear that  $T$  is a nonexpansive mapping. So, we have  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Now, we proceed with the following steps.

*Step 1.* ( $\{x_n\}$  is bounded). Let  $z \in F(\mathcal{T})$ . From (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{n+1} - z\| &= \|P_C[\alpha_n \gamma V x_n + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n] - P_C(z)\| \\
&\leq \|\alpha_n \gamma V x_n + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n - z\| \\
&\leq \|\alpha_n (\gamma V x_n - \mu F z) + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n - (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n z\| \\
&\leq \alpha_n \gamma L \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \|(\gamma V - \mu F) z\| + (1 - \alpha_n \tau) (\|x_n - z\| + a_n) \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n (\tau - \gamma L)) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \|(\gamma V - \mu F) z\| + (1 - \alpha_n \tau) a_n \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n (\tau - \gamma L)) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \|(\gamma V - \mu F) z\| + a_n.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

Note that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n / \alpha_n = 0$ , so there exists a constant  $K > 0$  such that

$$\frac{\alpha_n \|(\gamma V - \mu F) z\| + a_n}{\alpha_n} \leq K \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.4}$$

Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{n+1} - z\| &\leq (1 - \alpha_n (\tau - \gamma L)) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n K \\
&\leq \max \left\{ \|x_n - z\|, \frac{K}{\tau - \gamma L} \right\} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

Hence,  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded. So  $\{T_n x_n\}$  and  $\{V x_n\}$  are bounded.

*Step 2.* ( $\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). From (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| &= \|P_C[\alpha_n \gamma V x_n + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n] - P_C[\alpha_{n-1} \gamma V x_{n-1} + (I - \alpha_{n-1} \mu F) T_{n-1} x_{n-1}]\| \\
&\leq \|\alpha_n \gamma V x_n + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n - [\alpha_{n-1} \gamma V x_{n-1} + (I - \alpha_{n-1} \mu F) T_{n-1} x_{n-1}]\| \\
&\leq \|\alpha_n \gamma (V x_n - V x_{n-1}) + \gamma (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}) V x_{n-1} \\
&\quad + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n - (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_{n-1} \\
&\quad + T_n x_{n-1} - T_{n-1} x_{n-1} + \alpha_{n-1} \mu F T_{n-1} x_{n-1} - \alpha_n \mu F T_n x_{n-1}\| \\
&\leq \alpha_n \gamma L \|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \|\gamma (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}) V x_{n-1}\| \\
&\quad + (1 - \alpha_n \tau) \|T_n x_n - T_n x_{n-1}\| + \|T_n x_{n-1} - T_{n-1} x_{n-1}\| \\
&\quad + \mu \|\alpha_{n-1} F T_{n-1} x_{n-1} - \alpha_n F T_n x_{n-1}\|
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n(\tau - \gamma L))\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \mathfrak{D}_B(T_n, T_{n-1}) + (1 - \alpha_n\tau)a_n \\
&\quad + \|\gamma(\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})Vx_{n-1}\| \\
&\quad + \mu\|\alpha_{n-1}(FT_{n-1}x_{n-1} - FT_nx_{n-1}) - (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1})(FT_nx_{n-1})\| \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n(\tau - \gamma L))\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \mathfrak{D}_B(T_n, T_{n-1})(1 + \mu\alpha_{n-1}k) \\
&\quad + M|\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + a_n,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

for some constant  $M > 0$ . Thus, using Lemma 2.5, we get  $\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

*Step 3.* We have ( $\|x_n - Tx_n\| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_n - T_nx_n\| &\leq \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| + \|x_{n+1} - T_nx_n\| \\
&= \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| + \|P_C[\alpha_n\gamma Vx_n + (I - \alpha_n\mu F)T_nx_n] - P_C(T_nx_n)\| \\
&\leq \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| + \|\alpha_n\gamma Vx_n + (I - \alpha_n\mu F)T_nx_n - T_nx_n\| \\
&= \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| + \alpha_n\|\gamma Vx_n - \mu FT_nx_n\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_n - Tx_n\| &\leq \|x_n - T_nx_n\| + \|T_nx_n - Tx_n\| \\
&\leq \|x_n - T_nx_n\| + \mathfrak{D}_B(T_n, T),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

it follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - Tx_n\| = 0$ .

*Step 4.* We have ( $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n - \tilde{x}, (\gamma V - \mu F)\tilde{x} \rangle \leq 0$ ). Let us choose a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n - \tilde{x}, (\gamma V - \mu F)\tilde{x} \rangle = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n_k} - \tilde{x}, (\gamma V - \mu F)\tilde{x} \rangle. \tag{3.9}$$

Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $x_{n_k} \rightharpoonup z \in C$ . By using Lemma 2.4, we get that  $z \in F(T)$ . Note that  $F(T) = F(\mathcal{T})$ , it follows that  $z \in F(\mathcal{T})$ . Hence from (3.2), we get the following:

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n - \tilde{x}, (\gamma V - \mu F)\tilde{x} \rangle = \langle z - \tilde{x}, (\gamma V - \mu F)\tilde{x} \rangle \leq 0. \tag{3.10}$$

*Step 5.* We have ( $x_n \rightarrow \tilde{x}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ). Set  $y_n = \alpha_n\gamma Vx_n + (I - \alpha_n\mu F)T_nx_n$  and  $\gamma_n = \alpha_n(\tau - \gamma L)$ . Noticing that  $x_{n+1} = P_C(y_n)$ . From (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\|^2 &= \langle y_n - \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle + \langle P_C(y_n) - y_n, P_C(y_n) - \tilde{x} \rangle \\
&\leq \langle y_n - \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \alpha_n \langle \gamma V x_n - \mu F \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle \\
&\quad + \langle (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n - (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle \\
&= \alpha_n \gamma \langle V x_n - V \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle + \alpha_n \langle \gamma V \tilde{x} - \mu F \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle \\
&\quad + \langle (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n - (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle \\
&\leq \alpha_n \gamma L \|x_n - \tilde{x}\| \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\| + \alpha_n \langle (\gamma V - \mu F) \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle \\
&\quad + (1 - \alpha_n \tau) (\|x_n - \tilde{x}\| + a_n) \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\| \\
&= (1 - \alpha_n (\tau - \gamma L)) \|x_n - \tilde{x}\| \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\| \\
&\quad + \alpha_n \langle (\gamma V - \mu F) \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle + (1 - \alpha_n \tau) a_n \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\| \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n (\tau - \gamma L)) \frac{1}{2} (\|x_n - \tilde{x}\|^2 + \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\|^2) \\
&\quad + \alpha_n \langle (\gamma V - \mu F) \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle + a_n \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\|.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\|^2 &\leq \frac{1 - \alpha_n (\tau - \gamma L)}{1 + \alpha_n (\tau - \gamma L)} \|x_n - \tilde{x}\|^2 + \frac{2\alpha_n}{1 + \gamma_n} \langle (\gamma V - \mu F) \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle \\
&\quad + \frac{2a_n}{1 + \gamma_n} \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\| \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n (\tau - \gamma L)) \|x_n - \tilde{x}\|^2 + \frac{2\alpha_n}{1 + \gamma_n} \langle (\gamma V - \mu F) \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle \\
&\quad + \frac{2a_n}{1 + \gamma_n} \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\| \\
&= (1 - \gamma_n) \|x_n - \tilde{x}\|^2 + \gamma_n \delta_n + \frac{2a_n}{1 + \gamma_n} \|x_{n+1} - \tilde{x}\|,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

where

$$\delta_n = \frac{2}{(1 + \gamma_n)(\tau - \gamma L)} \langle (\gamma V - \mu F) \tilde{x}, x_{n+1} - \tilde{x} \rangle. \tag{3.13}$$

Noticing that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n / \alpha_n = 0$ , it follows from Lemma 2.5 that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \tilde{x}$ . This completes the proof.

Now, we derive the main result of Ceng et al. ([13], Theorem 3.2) as the following corollary.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $F : C \rightarrow H$  be a  $k$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone operator and  $V : C \rightarrow H$  be an  $L$ -Lipschitzian mapping. Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping such that  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $0 < \mu < 2\eta/k^2$  and*



$0 \leq \gamma L < \tau$ , where  $\tau = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \mu(2\eta - \mu k^2)}$ . For an arbitrary  $x_1 \in C$ , consider the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  generated by the following iterative process:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &\in C, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_C [\alpha_n \gamma V x_n + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T x_n] \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.14)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  satisfying the conditions (a) and (b) of Theorem 3.1.

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $\tilde{x} \in F(T)$ , where  $\tilde{x}$  is the unique solution of the following variational inequality:

$$\langle (\mu F - \gamma V) \tilde{x}, \tilde{x} - y \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall y \in F(T). \quad (3.15)$$

Again, we derive the result of Tian ([11], Theorem 3.2) as the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space. Let  $f$  be an  $\alpha$ -contraction on  $H$  and  $F : H \rightarrow H$  be a  $k$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone operator. Let  $T : H \rightarrow H$  be a nonexpansive mapping such that  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $0 < \mu < 2\eta/k^2$  and  $0 < \gamma\alpha < \tau$ , where  $\tau = \mu(\eta - \mu k^2/2)$ . For an arbitrary  $x_1 \in H$ , consider the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  generated by the following iterative process:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &\in H, \\ x_{n+1} &= \alpha_n \gamma f(x_n) + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T x_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.16)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  satisfying the conditions (a) and (b) of Theorem 3.1.

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $\tilde{x} \in F(T)$ , where  $\tilde{x}$  is the unique solution of the following variational inequality:

$$\langle (\mu F - \gamma f) \tilde{x}, \tilde{x} - y \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall y \in F(T). \quad (3.17)$$

The following result obtains immediately from Theorem 3.1.

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $F : C \rightarrow H$  be a  $k$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone operator and  $V : C \rightarrow H$  be an  $L$ -Lipschitzian mapping. Let  $\{T_n\}$  be a sequence of nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself such that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) \neq \emptyset$  and  $T$  be a mapping from  $C$  into itself defined by  $Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x$  for all  $x \in C$ . Suppose that  $0 < \mu < 2\eta/k^2$  and  $0 \leq \gamma L < \tau$ , where  $\tau = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \mu(2\eta - \mu k^2)}$ . For an arbitrary  $x_1 \in C$ , consider the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  generated by the following iterative process:

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &\in C, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_C [\alpha_n \gamma V x_n + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) T_n x_n] \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.18)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  satisfying the conditions (a)–(c) of Theorem 3.1.

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $\tilde{x} \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$ , where  $\tilde{x}$  is the unique solution of the following variational inequality:

$$\langle (\mu F - \gamma V)\tilde{x}, \tilde{x} - y \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall y \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n). \quad (3.19)$$

#### 4. Application

Recall that the so-called problem of image recovery is essentially to find a common element of finitely many nonexpansive retracts  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_r$  of  $C$  with  $\bigcap_{i=1}^r C_i \neq \emptyset$ . It is easy to see that every nonexpansive retraction  $P_i$  of  $C$  onto  $C_i$  is a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into itself. There is no doubt that the problem of image recovery is equivalent to finding a common fixed point of finitely many nonexpansive mappings  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_r$  of  $C$  into itself. Applying our main result, we obtain the following result which improves a number of results connected to the problem of image recovery.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $F : C \rightarrow H$  be a  $k$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone operator and  $V : C \rightarrow H$  be an  $L$ -Lipschitzian mapping. Let  $\lambda_i > 0$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N$ ) such that  $\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i = 1$  and  $T_1, T_2, T_3, \dots, T_N : C \rightarrow C$  be nonexpansive mappings such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^N F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $0 < \mu < 2\eta/k^2$  and  $0 \leq \gamma L < \tau$ , where  $\tau = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \mu(2\eta - \mu k^2)}$ . For an arbitrary  $x_1 \in C$ , consider the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  generated by the following iterative process:*

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &\in C, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_C \left[ \alpha_n \gamma V x_n + (I - \alpha_n \mu F) \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i T_i x_n \right] \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  satisfying the conditions (a) and (b) of Theorem 3.1.

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $\tilde{x} \in \bigcap_{i=1}^N F(T_i)$ , where  $\tilde{x}$  is the unique solution of the following variational inequality:

$$\langle (\mu F - \gamma V)\tilde{x}, \tilde{x} - y \rangle \leq 0 \quad \forall y \in \bigcap_{i=1}^N F(T_i). \quad (4.2)$$

*Proof.* Define  $T = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i T_i$ . Then  $T$  is nonexpansive mapping from  $C$  into itself. Thus, using Lemma 2.6, we get  $F(T) = \bigcap_{i=1}^N F(T_i)$ . Therefore, the proof follows from Corollary 3.2.  $\square$

#### 5. Numerical Example

For showing the effectiveness and convergence of the sequence generated by the considered iterative scheme, we discuss the following example.

*Example 5.1.* Let  $H = \mathbb{R}$  and  $C = [0, 1]$ . Let  $T$  be a self-mapping defined by  $Tx = 1 - x$  for all  $x \in C$ . Let  $F, V : C \rightarrow H$  be two mappings defined by  $Fx = 4x$  and  $Vx = 2x$  for all  $x \in C$ ,

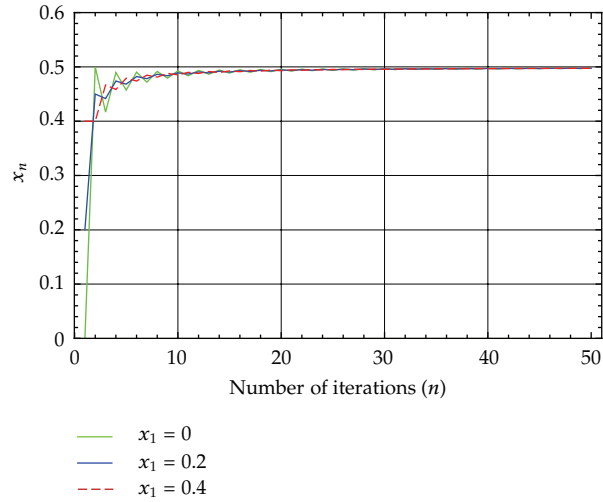


Figure 1

where  $F$  is a  $k$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone, and  $V$  is an  $L$ -Lipschitzian mapping. We take  $0 < \mu < 2\eta/k^2$  and  $0 \leq \gamma L < \tau$ , and we have  $\mu = 1/4, \tau = 1$  and  $\gamma = 1/4$ . Define  $\{\alpha_n\}$  in  $(0, 1)$  by  $\alpha_n = 1/n + 1$ . Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $a_n = 1/n^{3/2}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , define  $T_n : C \rightarrow C$  by

$$T_n x = \begin{cases} 1 - x, & \text{if } x \in [0, 1), \\ a_n, & \text{if } x = 1. \end{cases} \quad (5.1)$$

In [15], it is proved that  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_n\}$  is a sequence of nearly nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself such that  $F(\mathcal{T}) = \{1/2\}$  and  $Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x$  for all  $x \in C$ , where  $T$  is nonexpansive mapping.

It can be observed that all the assumptions of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied and the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  generated by (3.1) converges to a unique solution  $1/2$  of variational inequality (3.2) over  $F(\mathcal{T})$ . The graphical presentation of the convergence of the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  generated by the iterative scheme (3.1) is given in Figure 1.

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