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# Weak and Strong Convergence Theorems of an Implicit Iteration Process for a Countable Family of Nonexpansive Mappings

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Using the implicit iteration and the hybrid method in mathematical programming, we prove weak and strong convergence theorems for finding common fixed points of a countable family of nonexpansive mappings in a real Hilbert space. Our results include many convergence theorems by Xu and Ori (2001) and Zhang and Su (2007) as special cases. We also apply our method to find a common element to the set of fixed points of a nonexpansive mapping and the set of solutions of an equilibrium problem. Finally, we propose an iteration to obtain convergence theorems for a continuous monotone mapping.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and norm  $\|\cdot\|$ , and let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of  $H$ . A mapping  $T : C \rightarrow H$  is said to be *nonexpansive* if

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in C. \quad (1.1)$$

We denote by  $F(T)$  the set of all fixed points of  $T$ . If  $C$  is bounded closed convex and  $T$  is a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into itself, then  $F(T)$  is nonempty (see [1]). We write  $x_n \rightarrow x$  ( $x_n \rightharpoonup x$ , resp.) if  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly (weakly, resp.) to  $x$ . There are many methods for approximating fixed points of a nonexpansive mapping. Xu and Ori [2] introduced the following implicit iteration process to approximate a common fixed point of a finite family of nonexpansive mappings  $\{T_i\}_{i=1}^N$ : an initial point  $x_0 \in C$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
x_1 &= \alpha_1 x_0 + (1 - \alpha_1) T_1 x_1, \\
x_2 &= \alpha_2 x_1 + (1 - \alpha_2) T_2 x_2, \\
&\vdots \\
x_N &= \alpha_N x_{N-1} + (1 - \alpha_N) T_N x_N, \\
x_{N+1} &= \alpha_{N+1} x_N + (1 - \alpha_{N+1}) T_1 x_{N+1} \\
&\vdots
\end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$ . The iteration above can be written in the following compact form:

$$x_n = \alpha_n x_{n-1} + (1 - \alpha_n) T_n x_n, \quad n \geq 1, \tag{1.3}$$

where  $T_n \equiv T_{n \bmod N}$ , here the mod  $N$  function takes values in  $\{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ . They proved that this process converges weakly to a common fixed point of  $\{T_i\}_{i=1}^N$ . Recently, to obtain a strong convergence theorem, Zhang and Su [3] modify iteration processes (1.3) by the implicit hybrid method for a finite family of nonexpansive mappings  $\{T_i\}_{i=1}^N$ : an initial point  $x_0 \in C$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
&x_0 \in C \text{ is arbitrary,} \\
&y_n = \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T_n z_n, \\
&z_n = \beta_n y_n + (1 - \beta_n) T_n y_n, \\
&C_n = \{z \in C : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\
&Q_n = \{z \in C : \langle x_n - z, x_0 - x_n \rangle \geq 0\}, \\
&x_{n+1} = P_{C_n \cap Q_n} x_0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,
\end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

where  $T_n \equiv T_{n \bmod N}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  are real sequences in  $(0, 1]$  with  $\alpha_n < 1$ .

In this paper, we establish weak and strong convergence theorems for finding common fixed points of a countable family of nonexpansive mappings in a real Hilbert space. Our results include many convergence theorems by [2, Theorems 2] and [3, Theorems 2.4] as special cases. The new iteration introduced in this paper is applied to find a common element to the set of fixed points of a nonexpansive mapping and the set of solutions of an equilibrium problem. We also propose an iteration to obtain convergence theorems for a continuous monotone mapping.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space. Then,

$$\|x - y\|^2 = \|x\|^2 - \|y\|^2 - 2\langle x - y, y \rangle, \tag{2.1}$$

$$\|\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y\|^2 = \lambda\|x\|^2 + (1 - \lambda)\|y\|^2 - \lambda(1 - \lambda)\|x - y\|^2 \tag{2.2}$$

for all  $x, y \in H$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . It is also known that  $H$  satisfies the following.

(1) Opial's condition [4], that is, for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$ , the inequality

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y\| \quad (2.3)$$

holds for every  $y \in H$  with  $y \neq x$ .

(2) The Kadec-Klee property [1], that is, for any sequence  $\{x_n\}$  with  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  and  $\|x_n\| \rightarrow \|x\|$  together implies  $\|x_n - x\| \rightarrow 0$ .

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $H$ . Then, for any  $x \in H$ , there exists the nearest point  $P_C x$  in  $C$  such that

$$\|x - P_C x\| \leq \|x - y\| \quad \forall y \in C. \quad (2.4)$$

Such a mapping,  $P_C$  is called the metric projection of  $H$  onto  $C$ . We know that  $P_C$  is nonexpansive. Furthermore, for  $x \in H$  and  $z \in C$ ,

$$z = P_C x \quad \text{iff} \quad \langle x - z, z - y \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in C. \quad (2.5)$$

**Lemma 2.1** (see [5, Lemma 1]). *Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  are two sequences of nonnegative real numbers such that*

$$a_{n+1} \leq a_n + b_n \quad \forall n \geq 1, \quad (2.6)$$

and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n < \infty$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  exists. In particular, if  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.2** (see [6, Lemma 2.2]). *Suppose that  $\{a_n\}$  and  $\{b_n\}$  are two sequences of nonnegative real numbers such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n = \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n b_n < \infty$ . Then,  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = 0$ .*

**Lemma 2.3** (see [7, Lemma 3.2]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $H$  such that*

$$\|x_{n+1} - y\| \leq \|x_n - y\| \quad \forall y \in C, n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (2.7)$$

Then, the sequence  $\{P_C(x_n)\}$  converges strongly to some  $z \in C$ .

To deal with a family of mappings, the following conditions are introduced. Let  $C$  be a subset of a Banach space, let  $\{T_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  be families of mappings of  $C$  with  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) = F(\mathcal{T}) \neq \emptyset$ , where  $F(\mathcal{T})$  is the set of all common fixed points of all mappings in  $\mathcal{T}$ .

(a)  $\{T_n\}$  is said to satisfy the AKTT-condition [8] if for each bounded subset  $B$  of  $C$ ,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup \{ \|T_{n+1}z - T_n z\| : z \in B \} < \infty. \quad (2.8)$$

(b)  $\{T_n\}$  is said to satisfy the NST-condition (I) with  $\mathcal{T}$  [9] if for each bounded sequence  $\{z_n\}$  in  $C$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - T_n z_n\| = 0 \quad \text{implies} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - T z_n\| = 0 \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}. \quad (2.9)$$

In particular, if  $\mathcal{T} = \{T\}$ , that is,  $\mathcal{T}$  consists of one mapping  $T$ , then  $\{T_n\}$  is said to satisfy the NST-condition (I) with  $T$ .

(c)  $\{T_n\}$  is said to satisfy the NST-condition (II) [9] if for each bounded sequence  $\{z_n\}$  in  $C$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_{n+1} - T_n z_n\| = 0 \text{ implies } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - T_m z_n\| = 0 \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (2.10)$$

Inspired by conditions above, we introduce the following one.

(d)  $\{T_n\}$  is said to satisfy the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$  if for each bounded sequence  $\{z_n\}$  in  $C$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - T_n z_n\| = 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - z_{n+1}\| = 0 \quad (2.11)$$

imply that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - Tz_n\| = 0$  for all  $T \in \mathcal{T}$ . In particular, if  $\mathcal{T} = \{T\}$ , then we simply say that  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $T$ .

*Remark 2.4.* (i) If  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST-condition (I) with  $\mathcal{T}$ , then  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ .

(ii) If  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST-condition (II), then  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\{T_n\}$ .

**Lemma 2.5** (see [8, Lemma 3.2]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed subset of a Banach space, and let  $\{T_n\}$  be a family of mappings of  $C$  into itself which satisfies the AKTT-condition, then there exists a mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$  such that*

$$Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x \quad \forall x \in C, \quad (2.12)$$

and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \{\|Tz - T_n z\| : z \in B\} = 0$  for each bounded subset  $B$  of  $C$ .

**Lemma 2.6.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed subset of a Banach space, and let  $\{T_n\}$  be a family of mappings of  $C$  into itself which satisfies AKTT-condition and  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $T$  be the mapping from  $C$  into itself defined by  $Tz = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n z$  for all  $z \in C$  and suppose that  $F(T) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$ . Then,  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST-condition (I) with  $T$ . This implies that  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $T$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $C$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - T_n z_n\| = 0$ . We apply Lemma 2.5 to get

$$\begin{aligned} \|z_n - Tz_n\| &\leq \|z_n - T_n z_n\| + \|T_n z_n - Tz_n\| \\ &\leq \|z_n - T_n z_n\| + \sup \{\|T_n z - Tz\| : z \in \{z_n\}\} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.13)$$

Hence, we obtain that  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST-condition (I) with  $T$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.7.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a Banach space, and let  $\{T_n\}_{n=1}^N$  be a finite family of nonexpansive mappings of  $C$  into itself with a common fixed point. Then,  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_1, T_2, \dots, T_N\}$ , where  $T_n \equiv T_{n \bmod N}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $C$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - T_n z_n\| = 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_{n+1} - z_n\| = 0. \quad (2.14)$$

Obviously, it is easy to see that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_{n+i} - z_n\| = 0$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} \|z_n - T_{n+i}z_n\| &\leq \|z_n - z_{n+i}\| + \|z_{n+i} - T_{n+i}z_{n+i}\| + \|T_{n+i}z_{n+i} - T_{n+i}z_n\| \\ &\leq 2\|z_n - z_{n+i}\| + \|z_{n+i} - T_{n+i}z_{n+i}\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

This implies that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - T_m z_n\| = 0$  for each  $m = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

*Remark 2.8.* There are families of mappings  $\{T_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  such that

- (1)  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ ;
- (2)  $\{T_n\}$  fails the NST-condition (I) with  $\mathcal{T}$  and the NST-condition (II).

The following example shows that the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$  is strictly weaker than NST-condition (I) with  $\mathcal{T}$  and the NST-condition (II).

*Example 2.9.* Let  $H := \mathbb{R}^2$  and  $C := [0, 1] \times [0, 1]$ . Define  $T_1, T_2 : C \rightarrow C$  as follows:

$$T_1(x, y) = (x, 1 - y), \quad T_2(x, y) = (1 - x, y) \quad (2.16)$$

for all  $(x, y) \in C$ . Hence,  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are nonexpansive mappings with

$$F(T_1) \cap F(T_2) = \left( [0, 1] \times \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\} \right) \cap \left( \left\{ \frac{1}{2} \right\} \times [0, 1] \right) = \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} \right) \right\} \neq \emptyset. \quad (2.17)$$

Let  $T_n = T_{n \pmod{2}}$ . By Lemma 2.7, we have  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies NST\*-condition with  $\{T_1, T_2\}$ .

- (a)  $\{T_n\}$  fails the NST-condition (I) with  $\mathcal{T} = \{T_1, T_2\}$ . In fact, let  $z_{2n-1} = (1, 1/2)$  and  $z_{2n} = (1/2, 1)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $z_{2n-1} \in F(T_{2n-1}) = F(T_1)$  and  $z_{2n} \in F(T_{2n}) = F(T_2)$ . In particular,  $\|z_n - T_n z_n\| \equiv 0$ . Clearly,

$$\|z_n - T_1 z_n\| \not\rightarrow 0, \quad \|z_n - T_2 z_n\| \not\rightarrow 0. \quad (2.18)$$

Hence,  $\{T_n\}$  fails the NST-condition (I) with  $\{T_1, T_2\}$ .

- (b)  $\{T_n\}$  fails the NST-condition (II). To this end, let  $z_{4n-3} = (1/4, 1/4)$ ,  $z_{4n-2} = (1/4, 3/4)$ ,  $z_{4n-1} = (3/4, 3/4)$ , and  $z_{4n} = (3/4, 1/4)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $\|z_{n+1} - T_n z_n\| \equiv 0$ . But,

$$\|z_n - T_1 z_n\| \not\rightarrow 0, \quad \|z_n - T_2 z_n\| \not\rightarrow 0. \quad (2.19)$$

Hence,  $\{T_n\}$  fails the NST-condition (II).

**Lemma 2.10** (see [10]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space,  $S$  and  $T$  be two nonexpansive mappings of  $C$  into itself with a common fixed point, and  $0 < \beta < 1$ . Let  $U$  be a mapping defined by*

$$U = T(\beta I + (1 - \beta)S), \quad (2.20)$$

where  $I$  is the identity mapping. Then,  $U$  is a nonexpansive mapping from  $C$  into itself and  $F(U) = F(T) \cap F(S)$ .

**Lemma 2.11.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space. Let  $\{T_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  be two families of nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself such that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) = F(\mathcal{T}) \neq \emptyset$ , and suppose that  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ . Let  $\{U_n\}$  be a family of nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself defined by*

$$U_n = T_n(\beta_n I + (1 - \beta_n)T_n) \quad (2.21)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $I$  is the identity mapping, and  $\{\beta_n\}$  is a sequence in  $[a, 1]$  for some  $a \in (0, 1]$ . Then,  $\{U_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.10, we have  $F(U_n) = F(T_n)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and so,

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(U_n) = F(\mathcal{T}) \neq \emptyset. \quad (2.22)$$

Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $C$  such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - U_n z_n\| = 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_{n+1} - z_n\| = 0. \quad (2.23)$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \|z_n - T_n z_n\| &\leq \|z_n - U_n z_n\| + \|T_n(\beta_n z_n + (1 - \beta_n)T_n z_n) - T_n z_n\| \\ &\leq \|z_n - U_n z_n\| + (1 - \beta_n) \|z_n - T_n z_n\| \\ &\leq \|z_n - U_n z_n\| + (1 - a) \|z_n - T_n z_n\|, \end{aligned} \quad (2.24)$$

it follows that

$$\|z_n - T_n z_n\| \leq \frac{1}{a} \|z_n - U_n z_n\| \rightarrow 0. \quad (2.25)$$

Since  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|z_n - T z_n\| = 0 \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}. \quad (2.26)$$

Hence, we obtain that  $\{U_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

### 3. Weak convergence theorems

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $\{T_n\}$  be a family of nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself with a common fixed point. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $C$  defined by  $x_0 \in C$  and*

$$x_n = \alpha_n x_{n-1} + (1 - \alpha_n) T_n x_n \quad (3.1)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$ . Then,

- (i)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - p\|$  exists for each  $p \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$ ;
- (ii)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\|^2 < \infty$ .

*Proof.* Observe that if  $C$  is a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$  and  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is a nonexpansive mapping, then for every  $u \in C$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ , the mapping  $S = S_{(\alpha, T)} : C \rightarrow C$  defined by

$$Sx = \alpha u + (1 - \alpha)Tx \quad (x \in C) \quad (3.2)$$

is a  $(1 - \alpha)$ -contraction, that is, for all  $x, y \in C$ ,

$$\|Sx - Sy\| = (1 - \alpha)\|Tx - Ty\| \leq (1 - \alpha)\|x - y\|. \quad (3.3)$$

Consequently,  $S$  has a unique fixed point  $x^* \in C$ . Thus, there exists a unique  $x^* \in C$ , that is,

$$x^* = \alpha u + (1 - \alpha)Tx^*. \quad (3.4)$$

This implies that the implicit iteration scheme (3.1) is well defined. To see (i), we let  $p \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$ . It follows from (2.2) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - p\|^2 &= \|\alpha_n(x_{n-1} - p) + (1 - \alpha_n)(T_n x_n - p)\|^2 \\ &= \alpha_n \|x_{n-1} - p\|^2 + (1 - \alpha_n) \|T_n x_n - p\|^2 - \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\|^2 \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|x_{n-1} - p\|^2 + (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - p\|^2 - \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

Since  $\alpha_n > 0$ , we have

$$\|x_n - p\|^2 \leq \|x_{n-1} - p\|^2 - (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\|^2. \quad (3.6)$$

In particular,

$$\|x_n - p\| \leq \|x_{n-1} - p\|. \quad (3.7)$$

So,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - p\|$  exists. Furthermore, from (3.6), we have

$$(1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\|^2 \leq \|x_{n-1} - p\|^2 - \|x_n - p\|^2. \quad (3.8)$$

Summing from 1 to  $m$  and tending to infinity for  $m$ , we have (ii). This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $\{T_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  be two families of nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself such that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) = F(\mathcal{T}) \neq \emptyset$ , and suppose that  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ . Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  defined by (3.1), where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, b]$  for some  $b \in (0, 1)$ , converges weakly to  $w \in F(\mathcal{T})$ . Moreover,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{F(\mathcal{T})} x_n = w$ .*

*Proof.* It follows from Lemma 3.1(i) that  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded. By Lemma 3.1(ii) and  $\alpha_n \leq b$ , we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\|^2 < \infty. \quad (3.9)$$

It follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\| = 0$ . From (3.1), we immediately have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - T_n x_n\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\| = 0, \quad (3.10)$$

and so,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x_{n-1}\| = 0. \quad (3.11)$$

Since  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - T x_n\| = 0 \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}. \quad (3.12)$$

We now extract a subsequence  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_{n_i} \rightharpoonup w$ . So, by the demiclosedness principle,  $w \in F(\mathcal{T})$ . To prove that  $x_n \rightharpoonup w$ , suppose that there exists another subsequence  $\{x_{m_j}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_{m_j} \rightharpoonup w' \neq w$ . So, we have  $w' \in F(\mathcal{T})$ . It follows from Lemma 3.1(i) and Opial's condition that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - w\| &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_i} - w\| < \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_i} - w'\| \\ &= \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{m_j} - w'\| < \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{m_j} - w\| \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - w\|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

arriving at a contradiction. Hence,  $x_n \rightharpoonup w \in F(\mathcal{T})$ . Finally, we prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z_n = w$ , where  $z_n = P_{F(\mathcal{T})} x_n$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By (3.7) and Lemma 2.3, there is  $w_0 \in F(\mathcal{T})$  such that  $z_n \rightarrow w_0$ . From  $z_n = P_{F(\mathcal{T})} x_n$  and  $w \in F(\mathcal{T})$ , we have

$$\langle x_n - z_n, z_n - w \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (3.14)$$

It follows from  $z_n \rightarrow w_0$  and  $x_n \rightharpoonup w$  that

$$\langle w - w_0, w_0 - w \rangle \geq 0, \quad (3.15)$$

and then  $w_0 = w$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Using Theorem 3.2 and Lemma 2.7, we have the following result.

**Corollary 3.3** (see [2, Theorem 2]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ , and let  $\{T_n\}_{n=1}^N$  be a finite family of nonexpansive mappings of  $C$  into itself with a common fixed point. Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  defined by (1.3), where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, b]$  for some  $b \in (0, 1)$ , converges weakly to  $w = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{\bigcap_{n=1}^N F(T_n)} x_n$ .*

In the presence of the stronger condition than NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ , we are able to weaken the restriction on  $\{\alpha_n\}$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ , and let  $\{T_n\}$  be a family of nonexpansive mappings of  $C$  into itself which satisfies the AKTT-condition and  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $T$  be the mapping from  $C$  into itself defined by  $Tz = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n z$  for all  $z \in C$ , and suppose that  $F(T) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n)$ . Then, the sequence in  $C$  defined by (3.1), where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ , converges weakly to  $w = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{F(T)} x_n$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemmas 2.2 and 3.1(ii) and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ , we have

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\| = 0, \quad (3.16)$$

and hence,

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - T_n x_n\| = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\| = 0. \quad (3.17)$$

Next, we prove that the limit  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - T_n x_n\|$  exists. Since  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, it follows from AKTT-condition that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup \{ \|T_n z - T_{n-1} z\| : z \in \{x_n\} \} < \infty. \quad (3.18)$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - x_{n-1}\| &= (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - T_n x_n\| \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha_n) (\|x_{n-1} - T_{n-1} x_{n-1}\| + \|T_{n-1} x_{n-1} - T_{n-1} x_n\| + \|T_{n-1} x_n - T_n x_n\|) \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - T_{n-1} x_{n-1}\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - x_n\| \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha_n) \sup \{ \|T_n z - T_{n-1} z\| : z \in \{x_n\} \}, \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

so we have

$$\alpha_n \|x_n - x_{n-1}\| \leq (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_{n-1} - T_{n-1} x_{n-1}\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \sup \{ \|T_n z - T_{n-1} z\| : z \in \{x_n\} \}. \quad (3.20)$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - T_n x_n\| &= \frac{\alpha_n}{1 - \alpha_n} \|x_n - x_{n-1}\| \\ &\leq \|x_{n-1} - T_{n-1} x_{n-1}\| + \sup \{ \|T_n z - T_{n-1} z\| : z \in \{x_n\} \}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

By Lemma 2.1 and (3.18), we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - T_n x_n\|$  exists. Thus, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - T_n x_n\| = 0. \quad (3.22)$$

From the definition of  $T$ , we have  $T$  is nonexpansive. By Lemma 2.6, we have  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $T$ . As in the proof of Theorem 3.2,  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to  $w = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{F(T)} x_n$ .  $\square$

*Remark 3.5.* Since the NST\*-condition is implied by the AKTT-condition, Theorem 3.4 still holds under the same condition of  $\{\alpha_n\}$  as in Theorem 3.2.

As in [8, Theorem 4.1], we can generate a family  $\{T_n\}$  of nonexpansive mappings satisfying the AKTT-condition by using convex combination of a general family  $\{S_k\}$  of nonexpansive mappings with a common fixed point.

**Corollary 3.6.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ . Let  $\{\beta_n^k\}$  be a family of positive real numbers with indices  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $k \leq n$  such that*

- (i)  $\sum_{k=1}^n \beta_n^k = 1$  for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n^k > 0$  for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- (iii)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta_{n+1}^k - \beta_n^k| < \infty$ .

*Let  $\{S_k\}$  be a family of nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself with a common fixed point. Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  defined by (3.1), where  $T_n \equiv \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_n^k S_k$ , converges weakly to  $\omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} F(S_k)} x_n$ .*

#### 4. Strong convergence theorems

We next use the hybrid method from mathematical programming to obtain several strong convergence theorems.

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $\{T_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{T}$  be two families of nonexpansive mappings from  $C$  into itself such that  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) = F(\mathcal{T}) \neq \emptyset$ , and suppose that  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $C$  defined as follows:*

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &\in C \text{ is arbitrary,} \\ y_n &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T_n y_n, \\ C_n &= \{z \in C : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ Q_n &= \{z \in C : \langle x_n - z, x_0 - x_n \rangle \geq 0\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{C_n \cap Q_n} x_0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \end{aligned} \tag{4.1}$$

*where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, b]$  for some  $b \in (0, 1)$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $P_{F(\mathcal{T})} x_0$ .*

*Proof.* We first prove that  $C_n$  and  $Q_n$  are closed and convex for each  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . From the definitions of  $C_n$  and  $Q_n$ , it is obvious that  $C_n$  is closed and  $Q_n$  is closed and convex for each  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . We prove that  $C_n$  is convex. Since  $\|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|$  is equivalent to

$$\|y_n - x_n\|^2 + 2\langle y_n - x_n, x_n - z \rangle \leq 0, \tag{4.2}$$

(by (2.1)) it follows that  $C_n$  is convex. Next, we show that

$$F(\mathcal{T}) \subset C_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \tag{4.3}$$

Let  $p \in F(\mathcal{T})$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_n - p\| &= \|\alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T_n y_n - p\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|T_n y_n - p\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|y_n - p\|, \end{aligned} \tag{4.4}$$

it follows that

$$\|y_n - p\| \leq \|x_n - p\|, \quad (4.5)$$

and hence,  $p \in C_n$ . Therefore, we obtain (4.3). Now, we show that

$$F(\mathcal{T}) \subset Q_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \quad (4.6)$$

We prove this by induction. For  $n = 0$ , we have  $F(\mathcal{T}) \subset C = Q_0$ . Suppose that  $F(\mathcal{T}) \subset Q_n$ . Then,  $\emptyset \neq F(\mathcal{T}) \subset C_n \cap Q_n$  and there exists a unique element  $x_{n+1} \in C_n \cap Q_n$  such that  $x_{n+1} = P_{C_n \cap Q_n} x_0$ . Then,

$$\langle x_{n+1} - z, x_0 - x_{n+1} \rangle \geq 0 \quad (4.7)$$

for each  $z \in C_n \cap Q_n$ . In particular,

$$\langle x_{n+1} - p, x_0 - x_{n+1} \rangle \geq 0 \quad (4.8)$$

for each  $p \in F(\mathcal{T})$ . It follows that  $F(\mathcal{T}) \subset Q_{n+1}$ , and hence (4.6) holds. Therefore,

$$F(\mathcal{T}) \subset C_n \cap Q_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \quad (4.9)$$

This implies that  $\{x_n\}$  is well defined. It follows from the definition of  $Q_n$  that  $x_n = P_{Q_n} x_0$ , that is,

$$\|x_n - x_0\| \leq \|z - x_0\| \quad \forall z \in Q_n \text{ and all } n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \quad (4.10)$$

In particular,

$$\|x_n - x_0\| \leq \|z - x_0\| \quad \forall z \in F(\mathcal{T}) \text{ and all } n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \quad (4.11)$$

On the other hand, from  $x_{n+1} = P_{C_n \cap Q_n} x_0 \in Q_n$ , we have

$$\|x_n - x_0\| \leq \|x_{n+1} - x_0\| \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}. \quad (4.12)$$

Therefore,  $\{\|x_n - x_0\|\}$  is nondecreasing and bounded. So,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x_0\|$  exists. This implies that  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded. Since  $x_{n+1} = P_{C_n \cap Q_n} x_0 \in Q_n$ , we have

$$\langle x_n - x_{n+1}, x_0 - x_n \rangle \geq 0. \quad (4.13)$$

It follows from (2.1) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|^2 &= \|(x_{n+1} - x_0) - (x_n - x_0)\|^2 \\ &= \|x_{n+1} - x_0\|^2 - \|x_n - x_0\|^2 - 2\langle x_{n+1} - x_n, x_n - x_0 \rangle \\ &\leq \|x_{n+1} - x_0\|^2 - \|x_n - x_0\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (4.14)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . This implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| = 0. \quad (4.15)$$

Since  $x_{n+1} \in C_n$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_n - x_n\| &\leq \|y_n - x_{n+1}\| + \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| \\ &\leq 2\|x_n - x_{n+1}\| \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.16)$$

It follows from  $\alpha_n \leq b < 1$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - T_n x_n\| &\leq \|x_n - T_n y_n\| + \|T_n y_n - T_n x_n\| \\ &\leq \|x_n - T_n y_n\| + \|y_n - x_n\| \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_n} \|y_n - x_n\| + \|y_n - x_n\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1 - b} \|y_n - x_n\| + \|y_n - x_n\| \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (4.17)$$

Since  $\{T_n\}$  satisfies the NST\*-condition with  $\mathcal{T}$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - T x_n\| = 0 \quad \forall T \in \mathcal{T}. \quad (4.18)$$

Finally, we show that  $x_n \rightarrow w$ , where  $w = P_{F(\mathcal{T})} x_0$ . Since  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, let  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  be a subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_{n_k} \rightarrow w'$ . Since  $I - T$  is demiclosed and by using (4.18), we have  $w' \in F(\mathcal{T})$ . By (4.11), we have

$$\|x_n - x_0\| \leq \|w - x_0\|. \quad (4.19)$$

It follows from  $w = P_{F(\mathcal{T})} x_0$  and the lower semicontinuity of the norm that

$$\|w - x_0\| \leq \|w' - x_0\| \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - x_0\| \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - x_0\| \leq \|w - x_0\|. \quad (4.20)$$

Thus, we obtain that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - x_0\| = \|w' - x_0\| = \|w - x_0\|$ . Using the Kadec-Klee property of  $H$ , we obtain that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = w' = w$ . Since  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  is an arbitrary subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$ , we can conclude that the whole sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $P_{F(\mathcal{T})} x_0$ .  $\square$

Using Theorem 4.1 and Lemmas 2.7 and 2.11, we have the following result.

**Corollary 4.2** (see [3, Theorem 2.4]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ , and let  $\{T_n\}_{n=1}^N$  be a finite family of nonexpansive mappings of  $C$  into itself with a common fixed point. Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  defined by (1.4), where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, a]$  for some  $a \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\{\beta_n\}$  is a sequence in  $[b, 1]$  for some  $b \in (0, 1]$ , converges strongly to  $P_{\bigcap_{n=1}^N F(T_n)} x_0$ .*

## 5. Applications

### 5.1. Equilibrium problems

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $f$  be a bifunction of  $C \times C$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ , where  $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of real numbers. The equilibrium problem for  $f : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is to find  $x \in C$  such that

$$f(x, y) \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in C. \quad (5.1)$$

The set of solutions of (5.1) is denoted by  $EP(f)$ . Numerous problems in physics, optimization, and economics are reduced to find a solution of (5.1). Some methods have been proposed to solve the equilibrium problem [11–17]. In 2005, Combettes and Hirstoaga [12] introduced an iterative scheme of finding the best approximation to the initial data when  $EP(f)$  is nonempty, and they also proved a strong convergence theorem.

For solving the equilibrium problem, let us assume that the bifunction  $f$  satisfies the following conditions (see [11]).

- (A1)  $f(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in C$ ;
- (A2)  $f$  is monotone, that is,  $f(x, y) + f(y, x) \leq 0$  for any  $x, y \in C$ ;
- (A3)  $f$  is upper-hemicontinuous, that is, for each  $x, y, z \in C$ ,

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow 0^+} f(tz + (1-t)x, y) \leq f(x, y); \quad (5.2)$$

- (A4)  $f(x, \cdot)$  is convex and lower semicontinuous for each  $x \in C$ .

The following lemma is shown in [11, Corollary 1] and [12, Lemma 2.12].

**Lemma 5.1.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ , let  $f$  be a bifunction from  $C \times C$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  satisfies (A1)–(A4), and let  $r > 0$  and  $x \in H$ . Then, there exists a unique  $x^* \in C$  such that*

$$f(x^*, y) + \frac{1}{r} \langle y - x^*, x^* - x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in C. \quad (5.3)$$

Moreover, let  $T_r$  be a mapping of  $H$  into  $C$  defined by

$$T_r(x) = x^* \quad \forall x \in H. \quad (5.4)$$

Then, the following conditions hold:

- (i)  $T_r$  is firmly nonexpansive, that is, for any  $x, y \in H$ ,

$$\|T_r x - T_r y\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2 - \|T_r x - x - (T_r y - y)\|^2; \quad (5.5)$$

- (ii)  $F(T_r) = EP(f)$ ;
- (iii)  $EP(f)$  is closed and convex.

**Lemma 5.2.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $S$  be a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into  $H$ , and let  $T$  be a firmly nonexpansive mapping from  $H$  into  $C$  such that  $F(S) \cap F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Then,  $ST$  is a nonexpansive mapping from  $H$  into itself and*

$$F(ST) = F(S) \cap F(T). \quad (5.6)$$

*Proof.* Since  $T$  is firmly nonexpansive, there exists a nonexpansive mapping  $U$  such that  $T = (1/2)(I + U)$  and  $F(U) = F(T)$ . As in the proof of Lemma 2.10, the conclusion holds.  $\square$

Motivated by Tada and Takahashi [16] and S. Takahashi and W. Takahashi [17], we prove weak and strong convergence theorems for finding a common element of the set of fixed points of a nonexpansive mapping and the set of solutions of an equilibrium problem in a Hilbert space. Using Theorem 3.4 and Lemmas 5.1 and 5.2, we have Theorem 5.3.

**Theorem 5.3.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $f$  be a bifunction from  $C \times C$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  satisfying (A1)–(A4), and let  $S$  be a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into  $H$  such that  $F(S) \cap EP(f) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{u_n\}$  be two sequences generated by  $x_0 \in H$  and*

$$\begin{aligned} f(u_n, y) + \frac{1}{r_n} \langle y - u_n, u_n - x_n \rangle &\geq 0 \quad \forall y \in C, \\ x_n &= \alpha_n x_{n-1} + (1 - \alpha_n) S u_n \end{aligned} \quad (5.7)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ , and  $\{r_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, \infty)$  with  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n > 0$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |r_{n+1} - r_n| < \infty$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to  $w \in F(S) \cap EP(f)$ . Moreover,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{F(S) \cap EP(f)} x_n = w$ .

*Proof.* It is noted that the iteration scheme is well defined. As in the proof of [14, Theorem 16], it follows from  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n > 0$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |r_{n+1} - r_n| < \infty$  that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup \{ \|T_{r_{n+1}} z - T_{r_n} z\| : z \in B \} < \infty \quad (5.8)$$

for any bounded subset  $B$  of  $H$ . Moreover, by Lemma 2.5, the mapping  $T$  defined by

$$Tx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_{r_n} x \quad \forall x \in H \quad (5.9)$$

satisfies

$$F(T) = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_{r_n}) = EP(f). \quad (5.10)$$

It is easy to see that  $T$  is a firmly nonexpansive mapping of  $H$  into  $C$ . Write  $T_n \equiv ST_{r_n}$  then, by Lemma 5.2, we have  $T_n$  is a nonexpansive mapping from  $H$  into itself, and

$$F(T_n) = F(ST_{r_n}) = F(S) \cap F(T_{r_n}) = F(S) \cap EP(f) = F(ST) \quad (5.11)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and so,

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} F(T_n) = F(ST) = F(S) \cap EP(f). \quad (5.12)$$

Since  $S$  is nonexpansive, (5.8) and (5.9), we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup \{ \|T_{n+1} z - T_n z\| : z \in B \} < \infty \quad (5.13)$$

for any bounded subset  $B$  of  $H$ , and

$$STx = S \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_{r_n} x \right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} ST_{r_n} x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_n x \quad \forall x \in H. \quad (5.14)$$

Applying Theorem 3.4,  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to  $w = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{F(S) \cap EP(f)} x_n$ .  $\square$

Similarly, we have the following strong convergence theorem. We safely suppress the proof.

**Theorem 5.4.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $f$  be a bifunction from  $C \times C$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  satisfying (A1)–(A4), and let  $S$  be a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into  $H$  such that  $F(S) \cap EP(f) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{u_n\}$  be two sequences generated by  $x_0 \in H$  and*

$$\begin{aligned} f(u_n, y) + \frac{1}{r_n} \langle y - u_n, u_n - y_n \rangle &\geq 0 \quad \forall y \in C, \\ y_n &= \alpha_n x_{n-1} + (1 - \alpha_n) S u_n, \\ C_n &= \{z \in C : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ Q_n &= \{z \in C : \langle x_n - z, x_0 - x_n \rangle \geq 0\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{C_n \cap Q_n} x_0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \end{aligned} \tag{5.15}$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, a)$  for some  $a \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\{r_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, \infty)$  with  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n > 0$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |r_{n+1} - r_n| < \infty$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $P_{F(S) \cap EP(f)} x_0$ .

## 5.2. Convergence theorem for monotone mappings

Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space, and  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $H$ . Let  $A : C \rightarrow H$  be a mapping. The classical variational inequality is to find  $x \in C$  such that

$$\langle Ax, y - x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in C. \tag{5.16}$$

The set of solutions of classical variational inequality is denoted by  $VIP(C, A)$ . The variational inequality has been extensively studied in the literatures (see [7, 18–23] and the references therein). We recall that a mapping  $A : C \rightarrow H$  is said to be

(a) monotone if

$$\langle Au - Av, u - v \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall u, v \in C; \tag{5.17}$$

(b)  $\alpha$ -inverse-strongly monotone if there exists a constant  $\alpha > 0$  such that

$$\langle Au - Av, u - v \rangle \geq \alpha \|Au - Av\|^2 \quad \forall u, v \in C; \tag{5.18}$$

(c)  $r$ -strongly monotone if there exists a constant  $r > 0$  such that

$$\langle Au - Av, u - v \rangle \geq r \|u - v\|^2 \quad \forall u, v \in C; \tag{5.19}$$

(d) relaxed  $(\gamma, r)$ -cocoercive if there exist constants  $\gamma, r > 0$  such that

$$\langle Au - Av, u - v \rangle \geq -\gamma \|Au - Av\|^2 + r \|u - v\|^2 \quad \forall u, v \in C; \tag{5.20}$$

(e)  $\mu$ -Lipschitzian if there exists a constant  $\mu > 0$  such that

$$\|Au - Av\| \leq \mu \|u - v\| \quad \forall u, v \in C. \tag{5.21}$$

*Remark 5.5.* (1) Every  $\alpha$ -inverse-strongly monotone mapping is monotone and  $1/\alpha$ -Lipschitzian.

(2) Every  $r$ -strongly monotone is monotone.

(3) Every relaxed  $(\gamma, r)$ -cocoercive and  $\mu$ -Lipschitzian mapping with  $\gamma\mu^2 \leq r$  is monotone.

**Lemma 5.6.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $A$  be a continuous monotone mapping of  $C$  into  $H$ . Define a bifunction  $f : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as follows:*

$$f(x, y) = \langle Ax, y - x \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in C. \quad (5.22)$$

Then,

(i) [14, Lemma 19]  $f$  satisfies (A1)–(A4) and  $VIP(C, A) = EP(f)$ ;

(ii) [14, Lemma 20] If  $x \in H$ ,  $u \in C$ , and  $r > 0$ , then

$$f(u, y) + \frac{1}{r} \langle y - u, u - x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in C \iff u = P_C(x - rAu). \quad (5.23)$$

Using Theorem 5.3 and Lemma 5.6, we have Theorem 5.7.

**Theorem 5.7.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $A$  be a continuous monotone mapping of  $C$ , and let  $S$  be a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into  $H$  such that  $F(S) \cap VIP(C, A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{u_n\}$  be sequences generated by  $x_0 \in H$  and*

$$\begin{aligned} u_n &= P_C(x_n - r_n A u_n), \\ x_n &= \alpha_n x_{n-1} + (1 - \alpha_n) S u_n \end{aligned} \quad (5.24)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ , and  $\{r_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, \infty)$  with  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n > 0$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |r_{n+1} - r_n| < \infty$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to  $w \in F(S) \cap VIP(C, A)$ . Moreover,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P_{F(S) \cap VIP(C, A)} x_n = w$ .

Using Theorem 5.4 and Lemma 5.6, we also have Theorem 5.8.

**Theorem 5.8.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $A$  be a continuous monotone mapping of  $C$ , and let  $S$  be a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into  $H$  such that  $F(S) \cap VIP(C, A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{u_n\}$  be sequences generated by  $x_0 \in H$  and*

$$\begin{aligned} u_n &= P_C(y_n - r_n A u_n), \\ y_n &= \alpha_n x_{n-1} + (1 - \alpha_n) S u_n, \\ C_n &= \{z \in C : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ Q_n &= \{z \in C : \langle x_n - z, x_0 - x_n \rangle \geq 0\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{C_n \cap Q_n} x_0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \end{aligned} \quad (5.25)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, a]$  for some  $a \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\{r_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, \infty)$  with  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n > 0$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |r_{n+1} - r_n| < \infty$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $P_{F(S) \cap VIP(C, A)} x_0$ .

*Remark 5.9.* (1) By Remark 5.5, we obtain a strong convergence theorem for  $\alpha$ -inverse-strongly monotone mappings,  $r$ -strongly monotone and continuous mappings and relaxed  $(\gamma, r)$ -cocoercive and  $\mu$ -Lipschitzian mappings with  $\gamma\mu^2 \leq r$ .

(2) Some weak and strong convergence theorems for monotone Lipschitzian mappings were established by several authors [7, 18–23]. However, there is a monotone continuous mapping which is not Lipschitzian (see [14, Remark 23]). Therefore, Theorems 5.7 and 5.8 provide a new convergence theorem for a wider class of mappings.

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