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# Algorithms for Solving the Variational Inequality Problem over the Triple Hierarchical Problem

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This paper discusses the monotone variational inequality over the solution set of the variational inequality problem and the fixed point set of a nonexpansive mapping. The strong convergence theorem for the proposed algorithm to the solution is guaranteed under some suitable assumptions.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$  with the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and the norm  $\| \cdot \|$ . We denote weak convergence and strong convergence by notations  $\rightharpoonup$  and  $\rightarrow$ , respectively.

A mapping  $A : H \rightarrow H$  is said to be *monotone* if  $\langle Ax - Ay, x - y \rangle \geq 0$ ,  $\forall x, y \in H$ .  $A$  is said to be  $\alpha$ -*strongly monotone* if there exists  $\alpha > 0$  such that  $\langle Ax - Ay, x - y \rangle \geq \alpha \|x - y\|^2$ ,  $\forall x, y \in H$ .  $A$  is said to be  $\beta$ -*inverse-strongly monotone* if there exists  $\beta > 0$  such that  $\langle Ax - Ay, x - y \rangle \geq \beta \|Ax - Ay\|^2$ ,  $\forall x, y \in H$ .  $A$  is said to be  $L$ -*Lipschitz continuous* if there exists  $L > 0$  such that  $\|Ax - Ay\| \leq L \|x - y\|$ ,  $\forall x, y \in H$ . A linear bounded operator  $A$  is said to be *strongly positive* on  $H$  if there exists  $\bar{\gamma} > 0$  with the property  $\langle Ax, x \rangle \geq \bar{\gamma} \|x\|^2$ ,  $\forall x \in H$ .

Let  $f : C \rightarrow C$  be a  $\rho$ -*contraction* if there exists  $\rho \in [0, 1)$  such that

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

Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be *nonexpansive* such that

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in C. \quad (1.2)$$

A point  $x \in C$  is a *fixed point* of  $T$  provided  $Tx = x$ . Denote by  $F(T)$  the set of fixed points of  $T$ ; that is,  $F(T) = \{x \in C : Tx = x\}$ . If  $C$  is bounded closed convex and  $T$  is a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into itself, then  $F(T)$  is nonempty (see [1]). Let  $A$  be a nonlinear mapping. The *Hartmann-Stampacchia variational inequality* [2] is to finding  $x \in C$  such that

$$\langle Ax, y - x \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in C. \quad (1.3)$$

The set of solutions of (1.3) is denoted by  $VI(C, A)$ . The variational inequality has been extensively studied in the literature [3, 4].

We discuss the following variational inequality problem over the fixed point set of a nonexpansive mapping (see [5–12]), which is called the *hierarchical problem*. Let a monotone, continuous mapping  $A : H \rightarrow H$  and a nonexpansive mapping  $T : H \rightarrow H$ .

$$\text{Find } x \in VI(F(T), A) = \{x \in F(T) : \langle Ax, y - x \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in F(T)\}, \quad F(T) \neq \emptyset. \quad (1.4)$$

This solution set is denoted by  $\Xi$ .

We introduce the following variational inequality problem over solution set of variational inequality problem and the fixed point set of a nonexpansive mapping (see [13–16]), which is called the *triple hierarchical problem* (or the *triple hierarchical constrained optimization problem* (see also [13])). Let an inverse-strongly monotone  $A : H \rightarrow H$ , a strongly monotone and Lipschitz continuous  $B : H \rightarrow H$ , and a nonexpansive mapping  $T : H \rightarrow H$ .

$$\text{Find } x \in VI(\Xi, B) = \{x \in \Xi : \langle Bx, y - x \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in \Xi\}, \quad (1.5)$$

where  $\Xi := VI(F(T), A) \neq \emptyset$ .

In 2009, Iiduka [13] introduced an iterative algorithm for the following *triple hierarchical constrained optimization problem*, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by the iterative method below, with the initial guess  $x_1 \in H$  is chosen arbitrarily,

$$\begin{aligned} y_n &= T(x_n - \lambda_n A_1 x_n), \\ x_{n+1} &= y_n - \mu \alpha_n A_2 y_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (1.6)$$

where  $\alpha_n \in (0, 1]$  and  $\lambda_n \in (0, 2\alpha]$  satisfies certain conditions. Let  $A_1 : H \rightarrow H$  be an inverse-strongly monotone,  $A_2 : H \rightarrow H$  be a strongly monotone and Lipschitz continuous, and  $T : H \rightarrow H$  be a nonexpansive mapping, then the sequence converges to strong analysis on (1.6).

In 2011, Ceng et al. [17] studied the new following algorithms. For  $x_0 \in C$  is chosen arbitrarily, they defined a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  iterative by

$$x_{n+1} = P_C [\lambda_n \gamma (\alpha_n f(x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) S x_n) + (I - \lambda_n \mu F) T x_n], \quad \forall n \geq 0, \quad (1.7)$$

where the mapping  $S, T$  are nonexpansive mappings with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $F : C \rightarrow H$  be a Lipschitzian and strongly monotone operator and  $f : C \rightarrow H$  be a contraction mapping

satisfied some conditions. They proved that the proposed algorithms strongly converge to the minimum norm fixed point of  $T$ .

Very recently, Yao et al. [18] studied the following algorithms. For  $x_0 \in C$  is chosen arbitrarily, let the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  be generated iteratively by

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n) TP_C [I - \alpha_n (A - \gamma f)] x_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \quad (1.8)$$

where the sequences  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  are two sequences in  $[0, 1]$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to the unique solution of the variational inequality as follows. Find a point  $x^* \in F(T)$  such that

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

where  $A : C \rightarrow H$  is a strongly positive linear bounded operator,  $f : C \rightarrow H$  is a  $\rho$ -contraction, and  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is a nonexpansive mapping satisfied some suitable conditions. The solution (1.9) is denoted by  $Y := VI(F(T), A - \gamma f) := \{x^* \in F(T) : \langle (A - \gamma f)x^*, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \forall x \in F(T)\}$ .

In this paper, we introduce a new iterative algorithm for solving the triple hierarchical problem, which contain algorithms (1.6) and (1.8) as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} y_n &= TP_C [I - \delta_n (A - \gamma f)] x_n, \\ x_{n+1} &= \alpha_n u + \beta_n x_n + [(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n \mu F] y_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (1.10)$$

The strong convergence for the proposed algorithms to the solution is solved under some assumptions. Our results generalize and improve the results of Ceng et al. [17], Iiduka [13], Yao et al. [18], and some authors.

## 2. Preliminaries

Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space and  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $H$ . The metric (or nearest point) projection from  $H$  onto  $C$  is the mapping  $P_C : H \rightarrow C$  which assigns to each point  $x \in C$  the unique point in  $P_C x \in C$  satisfying the property

$$\|x - P_C x\| = \inf_{y \in C} \|x - y\| =: d(x, C). \quad (2.1)$$

The following properties of projection are useful and pertinent to our purposes.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Given  $x \in H$  and  $z \in C$ ,*

- (a)  $u = P_C z \Leftrightarrow \langle u - z, v - u \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall v \in C,$
- (b)  $u = P_C z \Leftrightarrow \|z - u\|^2 \leq \|z - v\|^2 - \|v - u\|^2, \quad \forall v \in C,$

(c)  $P_C$  is a firmly nonexpansive mapping of  $H$  onto  $C$  and satisfies

$$\|P_C x - P_C y\|^2 \leq \langle P_C x - P_C y, x - y \rangle, \quad \forall x, y \in H. \quad (2.2)$$

Consequently,  $P_C$  is nonexpansive and monotone.

**Lemma 2.2.** *There holds the following inequality in an inner product space  $H$*

$$\|x + y\|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 + 2\langle y, x + y \rangle, \quad \forall x, y \in H. \quad (2.3)$$

**Lemma 2.3** (see [19]). *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping. Then  $I - T$  is demiclosed at zero, that is,*

$$x_n \rightharpoonup x, \quad x_n - T x_n \rightarrow 0 \quad (2.4)$$

*implies  $x = T x$ .*

**Lemma 2.4** (see [20]). *Each Hilbert space  $H$  satisfies Opial's condition, that is, for any sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset H$  with  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$ , the inequality*

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y\| \quad (2.5)$$

*hold for each  $y \in H$  with  $y \neq x$ .*

**Lemma 2.5** (see [21]). *Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be bounded sequences in a Banach space  $X$  and let  $\{\beta_n\}$  be a sequence in  $[0, 1]$  with  $0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < 1$ . Suppose  $x_{n+1} = (1 - \beta_n)y_n + \beta_n x_n$  for all integers  $n \geq 0$  and  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| - \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|) \leq 0$ . Then,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - x_n\| = 0$ .*

**Lemma 2.6** (see [10]). *Let  $B : H \rightarrow H$  be  $\beta$ -strongly monotone and  $L$ -Lipschitz continuous and let  $\mu \in (0, 2\beta/L^2)$ . For  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , define  $T_\lambda : H \rightarrow H$  by  $T_\lambda(x) := x - \lambda\mu B(x)$  for all  $x \in H$ . Then, for all  $x, y \in H$ ,*

$$\|T_\lambda(x) - T_\lambda(y)\| \leq (1 - \lambda\tau)\|x - y\| \quad (2.6)$$

*hold, where  $\tau := 1 - \sqrt{1 - \mu(2\beta - \mu L^2)} \in (0, 1]$ .*

**Lemma 2.7** (see [22]). *Assume  $\{a_n\}$  is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers such that*

$$a_{n+1} \leq (1 - \gamma_n)a_n + \delta_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \quad (2.7)$$

where  $\{\gamma_n\} \subset (0, 1)$  and  $\{\delta_n\}$  is a sequence in  $\mathcal{R}$  such that

- (i)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n = \infty$ ,
- (ii)  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\delta_n / \gamma_n) \leq 0$  or  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\delta_n| < \infty$ .

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

**Remark 2.8.** If  $A : C \rightarrow H$  is a strongly positive linear bounded operator and  $f : C \rightarrow H$  is a  $\rho$ -contraction, then for  $0 < \gamma < \tilde{\gamma}/\rho$ , the mapping  $A - \gamma f$  is strongly monotone. In fact, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle (A - \gamma f)x - (A - \gamma f)y, x - y \rangle &= \langle A(x - y), x - y \rangle - \gamma \langle f(x) - f(y), x - y \rangle \\ &\geq \tilde{\gamma} \|x - y\|^2 - \gamma \rho \|x - y\|^2 \\ &\geq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (2.8)$$

### 3. Main Results

In this section, we introduce a new iterative algorithm for solving monotone variational inequality problem (where  $A : C \rightarrow H$  is a strongly positive linear bounded operator,  $f : C \rightarrow H$  is a  $\rho$ -contraction) over solution set of variational inequality problem over the fixed point set of a nonexpansive mapping.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $A : C \rightarrow H$  be a strongly positive linear bounded operator,  $f : C \rightarrow H$  be a  $\rho$ -contraction, and  $\gamma$  be a positive real number such that  $(\bar{\gamma} - 1)/\rho < \gamma < \bar{\gamma}/\rho$ . Let  $F : C \rightarrow C$  be  $\kappa$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone operators with constant  $\kappa$  and  $\eta > 0$ , respectively. Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $0 < \mu < 2\eta/\kappa^2$  and  $0 < \gamma < \tau$ , where  $\tau = 1 - \sqrt{1 - \mu(2\eta - \mu\kappa^2)}$ . Assume that  $VI(Y, F) \neq \emptyset$ , where  $Y := VI(F(T), A - \gamma f)$ . Suppose  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence generated by the following algorithm  $x_0 \in C$  arbitrarily and

$$\begin{aligned} y_n &= TP_C[I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n, \\ x_{n+1} &= \alpha_n u + \beta_n x_n + [(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n \mu F]y_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\}, \{\delta_n\} \subset (0, 1)$  satisfy the following conditions:

- (C1)  $\alpha_n \leq \kappa \delta_n$  and  $\beta_n < \delta_n$ ;
- (C2)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < \infty$ ;
- (C3)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| < \infty$ ;
- (C4)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \delta_n = \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| < \infty$ .

Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $x^* \in Y$ , which is the unique solution of another variational inequality

$$\langle (I - \mu F)x^*, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in Y. \quad (3.2)$$

*Proof.* We will divide the proof into four steps.

*Step 1.* We will show  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded. For any  $x^* \in F(T)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|y_n - x^*\| &= \|TP_C[I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n - TP_Cx^*\| \\
 &\leq \| [I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n - x^* \| \\
 &\leq \delta_n \|\gamma f(x_n) - \gamma f(x^*)\| + \delta_n \|\gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*\| + \|I - \delta_n A\| \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &\leq \delta_n \gamma \rho \|x_n - x^*\| + \delta_n \|\gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*\| + (1 - \delta_n \bar{\gamma}) \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &= [1 - (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma \rho) \delta_n] \|x_n - x^*\| + \delta_n \|\gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*\|.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

From (3.1), we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| &= \|\alpha_n u + \beta_n x_n + [(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n \mu F]y_n - x^*\| \\
 &\leq \alpha_n \|u - \mu Fx^*\| + \beta_n \|x_n - x^*\| + [(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n \mu F] \|y_n - x^*\| \\
 &\leq \alpha_n \|u - \mu Fx^*\| + \beta_n \|x_n - x^*\| + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \|y_n - x^*\|.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

Substituting (3.3) into (3.4), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| &\leq \alpha_n \|u - \mu Fx^*\| + \beta_n \|x_n - x^*\| + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \\
 &\quad \times \{ [1 - (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma \rho) \delta_n] \|x_n - x^*\| + \delta_n \|\gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*\| \} \\
 &= \alpha_n \|u - \mu Fx^*\| + \beta_n \|x_n - x^*\| + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) [1 - (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma \rho) \delta_n] \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &\quad + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \delta_n \|\gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*\| \\
 &\leq \alpha_n \|u - \mu Fx^*\| + [1 - (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \delta_n (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma \rho)] \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &\quad + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \delta_n \|\gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*\| \\
 &\leq \kappa \delta_n \|u - \mu Fx^*\| + [1 - (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \delta_n (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma \rho)] \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &\quad + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \delta_n \|\gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*\|.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

By induction, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_n - x^*\| &\leq \max \left\{ \|x_0 - x^*\| + \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma} - \gamma \rho} \|\gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*\| + \frac{1}{(1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau)(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma \rho)} \kappa \|u - \mu Fx^*\| \right\}, \quad n \geq 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.6}$$

Therefore,  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded and so are  $\{y_n\}$ ,  $\{Ax_n\}$ ,  $\{f(x_n)\}$ , and  $\{F(x_n)\}$ .

*Step 2.* We will show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| = 0$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - x_n\| = 0$ , and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - Ty_n\| = 0$ . From (3.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| &= \|TP_C[I - \delta_{n+1}(A - \gamma f)]x_{n+1} - TP_C[I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n\| \\
&\leq \|P_C[I - \delta_{n+1}(A - \gamma f)]x_{n+1} - P_C[I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n\| \\
&\leq \|[I - \delta_{n+1}(A - \gamma f)]x_{n+1} - [I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n\| \\
&= \|\delta_{n+1}(\gamma f(x_{n+1}) - \gamma f(x_n)) + (\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n)\gamma f(x_n) \\
&\quad + (I - \delta_{n+1}A)(x_{n+1} - x_n) + (\delta_n - \delta_{n+1})Ax_n\| \\
&\leq \delta_{n+1}\gamma\|f(x_{n+1}) - f(x_n)\| + (1 - \delta_{n+1}\bar{\gamma})\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\
&\quad + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|(\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|) \\
&\leq \delta_{n+1}\gamma\rho\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + (1 - \delta_{n+1}\bar{\gamma})\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|(\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|) \\
&= [1 - (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma\rho)\delta_{n+1}]\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|(\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{n+2} - x_{n+1}\| &= \|\alpha_{n+1}u + \beta_{n+1}x_{n+1} + [(1 - \beta_{n+1})I - \alpha_{n+1}\mu F]y_{n+1} \\
&\quad - \alpha_n u - \beta_n x_n - [(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n\mu F]y_n\| \\
&\leq |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n|\|u\| + \beta_{n+1}\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n|\|x_n\| \\
&\quad + \|[ (1 - \beta_{n+1})I - \alpha_{n+1}\mu F]y_{n+1} - [(1 - \beta_{n+1})I - \alpha_{n+1}\mu F]y_n\| \\
&\quad + \|[ (1 - \beta_{n+1})I - \alpha_{n+1}\mu F]y_n - [(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n\mu F]y_n\| \\
&\leq |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n|\|u\| + \beta_{n+1}\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n|\|x_n\| \\
&\quad + (1 - \beta_{n+1} - \alpha_{n+1}\tau)\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| + (1 - \beta_{n+1} - \alpha_{n+1}\mu F - 1 + \beta_n + \alpha_n\mu F)\|y_n\| \\
&\leq |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n|\|u\| + \beta_{n+1}\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n|\|x_n\| \\
&\quad + (1 - \beta_{n+1} - \alpha_{n+1}\tau)\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n|\|y_n\| + |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n|\tau\|y_n\| \\
&= |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n|(\|u\| + \tau\|y_n\|) + \beta_{n+1}\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n|(\|x_n\| + \|y_n\|) \\
&\quad + (1 - \beta_{n+1} - \alpha_{n+1}\tau)\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| \\
&\leq |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n|(\|u\| + \tau\|y_n\|) + \beta_{n+1}\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n|(\|x_n\| + \|y_n\|) \\
&\quad + (1 - \beta_{n+1} - \alpha_{n+1}\tau)\{[1 - (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma\rho)\delta_{n+1}]\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\
&\quad + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|(\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|)\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n|(\|u\| + \tau\|y_n\|) + \beta_{n+1}\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n|(\|x_n\| + \|y_n\|) \\
&\quad + (1 - \beta_{n+1} - \alpha_{n+1}\tau)[1 - (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma\rho)\delta_{n+1}]\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\
&\quad + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|(\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|) \\
&\leq [1 - (1 - \beta_{n+1} - \alpha_{n+1}\tau)(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma\rho)\delta_{n+1}]\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\
&\quad + |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n|(\|u\| + \tau\|y_n\|) + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n|(\|x_n\| + \|y_n\|) \\
&\quad + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|(\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|) \\
&\leq [1 - (1 - \beta_{n+1} - \alpha_{n+1}\tau)(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma\rho)\delta_{n+1}]\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\
&\quad + (|\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| + |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|)M_3,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.8}$$

where  $M_3$  is a constant such that

$$\sup_{n \geq 0} \{(\|u\| + \tau\|y_n\|), (\|x_n\| + \|y_n\|), (\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|)\} \leq M_3. \tag{3.9}$$

By the conditions (C2)–(C4) allow us to apply Lemma 2.7, we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| = 0. \tag{3.10}$$

On the other hand, we note that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|y_n - Tx_n\| &= \|TP_C[I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n - Tx_n\| \\
&= \|TP_C[I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n - TP_Cx_n\| \\
&\leq \|[I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n - x_n\| \\
&\leq \delta_n\|(A - \gamma f)x_n\|,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

by (C4), it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - Tx_n\| = 0. \tag{3.12}$$

From (3.7), we observe that

$$\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| \leq [1 - (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma\rho)\delta_{n+1}]\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|(\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|). \tag{3.13}$$

It follows that

$$\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| - \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \leq (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma\rho)\delta_{n+1}\|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n|(\|\gamma f(x_n)\| + \|Ax_n\|). \tag{3.14}$$



From the conditions (C1)–(C4) and the boundedness of  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $\{f(x_n)\}$ , and  $\{Ax_n\}$ , which implies that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| - \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|) \leq 0. \quad (3.15)$$

Hence, by Lemma 2.5, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - x_n\| = 0. \quad (3.16)$$

From (3.12) and (3.16), we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - Tx_n\| = 0. \quad (3.17)$$

*Step 3.* We will show that  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle u_n - x^*, \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^* \rangle \leq 0$  is proven. Choose a subsequence  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n - x^*, \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^* \rangle = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n_i} - x^*, \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^* \rangle. \quad (3.18)$$

The boundedness of  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  implies the existences of a subsequence  $\{x_{n_{i_j}}\}$  of  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  and a point  $\hat{x} \in H$  such that  $\{x_{n_{i_j}}\}$  converges weakly to  $\hat{x}$ . We may assume without loss of generality that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n_i}, w \rangle = \langle \hat{x}, w \rangle, w \in H$ . Assume  $\hat{x} \neq T(\hat{x})$ . Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - Tx_n\| = 0$  with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  guarantee that

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_i} - \hat{x}\| &< \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_i} - T(\hat{x})\| \\ &= \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_i} - T(x_{n_i}) + T(x_{n_i}) - T(\hat{x})\| \\ &= \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|T(x_{n_i}) - T(\hat{x})\| \\ &\leq \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_i} - \hat{x}\|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.19)$$

which has a contradiction. Therefore,  $\hat{x} \in F(T)$ . Since  $x^* \in \text{VI}(Y, F)$ , then  $x^* \in Y := \text{VI}(F(T), A - \gamma f)$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n - x^*, \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^* \rangle &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n_i} - x^*, \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^* \rangle \\ &= \langle \hat{x} - x^*, \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^* \rangle \\ &\leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.20)$$

Setting  $u_n = [I - \delta_n(A - \gamma f)]x_n$  and by (C4), we notice that

$$\|u_n - x_n\| \leq \delta_n \|(A - \gamma f)\| \longrightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty. \quad (3.21)$$

Hence, we get

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle u_n - x^*, \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^* \rangle \leq 0. \quad (3.22)$$

Next we will show that  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n+1} - x^*, x^* - \mu Fx^* \rangle \leq 0$  is proven. Choose a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n+1} - x^*, x^* - \mu Fx^* \rangle = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n_{k+1}} - x^*, x^* - \mu Fx^* \rangle. \quad (3.23)$$

The boundedness of  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  implies the existences of a subsequence  $\{x_{n_{k_l}}\}$  of  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  and a point  $\bar{x} \in H$  such that  $\{x_{n_{k_l}}\}$  converges weakly to  $\bar{x}$ . We may assume without loss of generality that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n_k}, w \rangle = \langle \bar{x}, w \rangle, w \in H$ . Assume  $\bar{x} \neq T(\bar{x})$ . By  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - Tx_n\| = 0$  with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  guarantee that

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - \bar{x}\| &< \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - T(\bar{x})\| \\ &= \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - T(x_{n_k}) + T(x_{n_k}) - T(\bar{x})\| \\ &= \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|T(x_{n_k}) - T(\bar{x})\| \\ &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - \bar{x}\|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

which has a contradiction. Therefore,  $\bar{x} \in F(T)$ . From  $x^* \in \text{VI}(\Upsilon, F) := \text{VI}(\text{VI}(F(T), A - \gamma f), F)$ , we compute

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_n - x^*, \gamma x^* - \mu Fx^* \rangle &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n_k} - x^*, x^* - \mu Fx^* \rangle \\ &= \langle \bar{x} - x^*, x^* - \mu Fx^* \rangle \\ &\leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.25)$$

Using (3.10), we get

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle x_{n+1} - x^*, x^* - \mu Fx^* \rangle \leq 0. \quad (3.26)$$

*Step 4.* Finally, we prove  $x_{n+1} \rightarrow x^*$ . We observe that

$$\|u_n - x^*\| \leq \|x_n - x^*\| + \delta_n \|(A - \gamma f)x_n\|. \quad (3.27)$$

From (3.1), we compute

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &= \|\alpha_n u + \beta_n x_n + [(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n \mu F]y_n - x^*\|^2 \\
&= \|\alpha_n(u - x^*) + \alpha_n(x^* - \mu Fx^*) + \beta_n(x_n - x^*) + [(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n \mu F](y_n - x^*)\|^2 \\
&\leq \|\alpha_n(u - x^*) + \beta_n(x_n - x^*) + \alpha_n(x^* - \mu Fx^*)\|^2 + [1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau] \|y_n - x^*\|^2 \\
&\leq \alpha_n^2 \|u - x^*\|^2 + \beta_n^2 \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\alpha_n \langle x^* - \mu Fx^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\
&\quad + [1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau] \|u - x^*\|^2 \\
&\leq \alpha_n \|u - x^*\|^2 + \beta_n \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\alpha_n \langle x^* - \mu Fx^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\
&\quad + [1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau] \|\delta_n(\gamma f(x_n) - Ax^*) + (I - \delta_n A)(x_n - x^*)\|^2 \\
&\leq \kappa \delta_n \|u - x^*\|^2 + \beta_n \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\kappa \delta_n \langle x^* - \mu Fx^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\
&\quad + [1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau] \left[ (1 - \delta_n \tilde{\gamma})^2 \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\delta_n \langle \gamma f(x_n) - Ax^*, u_n - x^* \rangle \right] \\
&\leq \kappa \delta_n \|u - x^*\|^2 + 2\kappa \delta_n \langle x^* - \mu Fx^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\
&\quad + [1 - 2\delta_n \tilde{\gamma}(1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau)] \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \delta_n^2 \tilde{\gamma}^2 (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 \\
&\quad - \alpha_n \tau \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\delta_n \langle \gamma f(x_n) - \gamma f x^*, u_n - x^* \rangle + 2\delta_n \langle \gamma f x^* - Ax^*, u_n - x^* \rangle \\
&\leq \kappa \delta_n \|u - x^*\|^2 + 2\kappa \delta_n \langle x^* - \mu Fx^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\
&\quad + [1 - 2\delta_n \tilde{\gamma}] \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \delta_n^2 \tilde{\gamma}^2 (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 \\
&\quad + 2\delta_n \gamma \rho \|x_n - x^*\| \|u_n - x^*\| + 2\delta_n \langle \gamma f x^* - Ax^*, u_n - x^* \rangle \\
&\leq [1 - 2\delta_n (\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma \rho)] \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \delta_n^2 \tilde{\gamma}^2 (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 \\
&\quad + 2\delta_n^2 \gamma \rho \|x_n - x^*\| \|(A - \gamma f)x_n\| + 2\delta_n \langle \gamma f x^* - Ax^*, u_n - x^* \rangle + \kappa \delta_n \|u - x^*\|^2 \\
&\quad + 2\kappa \delta_n \langle x^* - \mu Fx^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.28}$$

Since  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $\{Ax_n\}$ ,  $\{f(x_n)\}$ , and  $\{Fx_n\}$  are all bounded, we can choose a constant  $M_4 > 0$  such that

$$\sup_{n \geq 0} \frac{1}{\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma \rho} \left\{ \frac{(1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \tau) \tilde{\gamma}^2}{2} \|x_n - x^*\| + \gamma \rho \|x_n - x^*\| \|(A - \gamma f)x_n\| \right\} \leq M_4. \tag{3.29}$$

It follows that

$$\|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq [1 - 2(\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma \rho) \delta_n] \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2(\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma \rho) \delta_n \xi_n, \tag{3.30}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}\xi_n := & \delta_n M_4 + \frac{1}{\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma\rho} \langle \gamma f x^* - A x^*, u_n - x^* \rangle + \frac{\kappa}{\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma\rho} \|u - x^*\|^2 \\ & + \frac{\kappa}{\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma\rho} \langle x^* - \mu F x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle.\end{aligned}\quad (3.31)$$

By the conditions (C1), (C4), (3.22), and (3.26), we get

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \xi_n \leq 0. \quad (3.32)$$

Now, applying Lemma 2.7 and (3.30), we conclude that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

Next, the following example shows that all conditions of Theorem 3.1 are satisfied.

*Example 3.2.* For instance, let  $\alpha_n = n/(n^2 + 1)$ ,  $\beta_n = 1/2n$  and  $\delta_n = 1/n$ . Then, clearly the sequences  $\{\alpha_n\}$ ,  $\{\beta_n\}$ ,  $\{\delta_n\}$  satisfy the following condition (C1):

$$\frac{n}{n^2 + 1} < \kappa \frac{1}{n}, \quad \frac{1}{2n} < \frac{1}{n}. \quad (3.33)$$

We will show that the condition (C2) is achieved. Indeed, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{n+1}{(n+1)^2 + 1} - \frac{n}{n^2 + 1} \right| \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{(n+1)(n^2 + 1) - n(n^2 + 2n + 2)}{(n^2 + 2n + 2)(n^2 + 1)} \right| \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1 - n - n^2}{n^4 + 2n^3 + 3n^2 + 2n + 2} \right|.\end{aligned}\quad (3.34)$$

The sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  satisfies the condition (C2) by p-series. Next, we will show that the condition (C3) is achieved. We compute

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\beta_{n+1} - \beta_n| &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1}{2(n+1)} - \frac{1}{2n} \right| \\ &\leq \left| \frac{1}{2 \cdot 1} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{2 \cdot 2} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} - \frac{1}{2 \cdot 4} \right| + \dots \\ &= \frac{1}{2}.\end{aligned}\quad (3.35)$$

The sequence  $\{\beta_n\}$  satisfies the condition (C3). Finally, we will show that the condition (C4) is achieved. We compute

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_n &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0, \\
 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} = \infty, \\
 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n} \right| \\
 &\leq \left| \frac{1}{1} - \frac{1}{2} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} \right| + \left| \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3} \right| + \cdots \\
 &= 1.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.36}$$

The sequence  $\{\delta_n\}$  satisfies the condition (C4).

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $A : C \rightarrow H$  be a strongly positive linear bounded operator,  $f : C \rightarrow H$  be a  $\rho$ -contraction, and  $\gamma$  be a positive real number such that  $(\bar{\gamma} - 1)/\rho < \gamma < \bar{\gamma}/\rho$ . Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Assume that  $\Upsilon := VI(F(T), A - \gamma f) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence generated by the following algorithm  $x_0 \in C$  arbitrarily and*

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_n &= TP_C [I - \delta_n (A - \gamma f)] x_n, \\
 x_{n+1} &= \alpha_n u + \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n) y_n,
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.37}$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\}, \{\delta_n\} \subset (0, 1)$  satisfy the following conditions (C1)–(C4). Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $x^* \in F(T)$ , which is the unique solution of variational inequality

$$\langle (A - \gamma f)x^*, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in F(T). \tag{3.38}$$

*Proof.* Putting  $\mu = 2$  and  $F \equiv I/2$  in Theorem 3.1, we can obtain desired conclusion immediately.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence generated by the following algorithm  $x_0 \in C$  arbitrarily and*

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_n &= TP_C (1 - \delta_n) x_n, \\
 x_{n+1} &= \alpha_n u + \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n) y_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.39}$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\}, \{\delta_n\} \subset (0, 1)$  satisfy the following conditions (C1)–(C4). Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $x^* \in F(T)$ .

*Proof.* Putting  $f \equiv 0$  and  $A \equiv I$  in Corollary 3.3, we can obtain desired conclusion immediately.  $\square$

*Remark 3.5.* Our results generalize and improve the recent results of Iiduka [13] and Yao et al. [18].

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