

## SHRINKING HYBRID DESCENT-LIKE METHODS FOR NONEXPANSIVE MAPPINGS AND SEMIGROUPS

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we introduce some new iteration methods based on the hybrid method in mathematical programming and the descent-like method for finding a fixed point of a nonexpansive mapping and a common fixed point of a nonexpansive semigroup in Hilbert spaces. The main results in this paper modify and improve some well-known results in the literature.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space with the scalar product and the norm denoted by the symbols  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and  $\|\cdot\|$ , respectively, and let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of  $H$ . Denote by  $P_C x$  the metric projection of an element  $x \in H$  onto  $C$ . It is well-known that  $P_C$  is a nonexpansive mapping on  $H$  for any closed convex subset  $C$  in  $H$ . Recall that a mapping  $T$  is said to be nonexpansive on  $C$ , if  $T : C \rightarrow C$  and  $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$  for all  $x, y \in C$ . We use  $F(T)$  to denote the set of fixed points of  $T$ , i.e.,  $F(T) = \{x \in C : x = Tx\}$ . We know that  $F(T)$  is nonempty, if  $C$  is bounded, for more details see [2].

Let  $\{T(t) : t > 0\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ , that is,  
(1) for each  $t > 0$ ,  $T(t)$  is a nonexpansive mapping on  $C$ ;

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- (2)  $T(0)x = x$  for all  $x \in C$ ;  
 (3)  $T(s + t) = T(s) \circ T(t)$  for all  $s, t > 0$ ; and  
 (4) for each  $x \in C$ , the mapping  $T(\cdot)x$  from  $(0, \infty)$  into  $C$  is continuous.

Assume that  $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{t>0} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset$ . We know that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a closed convex subset [8] and that  $\mathcal{F} \neq \emptyset$ , if  $C$  is bounded [6].

For finding a fixed point of a nonexpansive mapping  $T$  on  $C$ , Alber [1] proposed the following descent-like method:

$$x_{n+1} = P_C(x_n - \mu_n(I - T)x_n), n \geq 0, x_0 \in C, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $I$  denotes the identity mapping in  $H$ , and proved that if the sequence of positive real numbers  $\{\mu_n\}$  is chosen such that  $\mu_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, then:

- (i) there exists a weak accumulation point  $\tilde{x} \in C$  of  $\{x_n\}$ ;  
 (ii) all weak accumulation points of  $\{x_n\}$  belong to  $F(T)$ ;  
 (iii) if  $F(T)$  is a singleton, i.e.,  $F(T) = \{\tilde{x}\}$ , then  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to  $\tilde{x}$ .

Motivated by Solodov and Svaiter's algorithm [11], Nakajo and Takahashi [8] introduced the following strongly convergence iteration procedures:

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &\in C \quad \text{any element,} \\ y_n &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T x_n, \\ C_n &= \{z \in C : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ Q_n &= \{z \in C : \langle x_n - x_0, z - x_n \rangle \geq 0\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{C_n \cap Q_n}(x_0), n \geq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\} \subset [0, a]$  for some  $a \in [0, 1)$ , for finding a fixed point of a nonexpansive mapping  $T$  on  $C$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &\in C \quad \text{any element,} \\ y_n &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T_n x_n, \\ C_n &= \{z \in C : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ Q_n &= \{z \in C : \langle x_n - x_0, z - x_n \rangle \geq 0\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{C_n \cap Q_n}(x_0), n \geq 0, \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

where where  $T_n$  is defined by

$$T_n y = \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) y ds,$$

for each  $y \in C$ ,  $\alpha_n \in [0, a]$  for some  $a \in [0, 1)$  and  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is a positive real number divergent sequence, for finding a common fixed point of a nonexpansive semigroup  $\{T(t) : t > 0\}$ .

Further, in 2008, Takahashi et al. [12] proposed a simple variant of (1.3) that has the following form:

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &\in H, C_1 = C, x_1 = P_{C_1}x_0, \\ y_n &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)T_n x_n, \\ C_{n+1} &= \{z \in C_n : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{C_{n+1}}x_0, n \geq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{1.4}$$

They showed (Theorem 4.4 in [12]) that if  $0 \leq \alpha_n \leq a < 1, 0 < \lambda_n < \infty$  for all  $n \geq 1$  and  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $u_0 = P_{\mathcal{F}}x_0$ . At the time, Saejung [9] considered the following analogue without Bochner integral:

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &\in H, C_1 = C, x_1 = P_{C_1}x_0, \\ y_n &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)T(t_n)x_n, \\ C_{n+1} &= \{z \in C_n : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{C_{n+1}}x_0, n \geq 1, \end{aligned} \tag{1.5}$$

where  $0 \leq \alpha_n \leq a < 1, \liminf_n t_n = 0, \limsup_n t_n > 0$ , and  $\lim_n(t_{n+1} - t_n) = 0$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $u_0 = P_{\mathcal{F}}x_0$ .

If  $C \equiv H$ , then  $C_n$  and  $Q_n$  in (1.2)-(1.5) are two halfspaces. So, the projection  $x_{n+1}$  onto  $C_n \cap Q_n$  or  $C_{n+1}$  in these methods can be found by an explicit formula [11]. Clearly, if  $C$  is a proper subset of  $H$ , then  $C_n$  and  $Q_n$  in these algorithms are not two halfspaces. Then, the following problem is posed: how to construct the closed convex subsets  $C_n$  and  $Q_n$  and if we can express  $x_{n+1}$  of the above algorithms in a similar form as in [11]? This problem is solved very recently in [3-5]. In the works,  $C_n$  and  $Q_n$  in (1.2)-(1.3) are replaced by two halfspaces and  $y_n$  is the right hand side of (1.1) with a modification. In this paper, using the idea, we present a new variant for (1.4)-(1.5) where  $C_{n+1}$  becomes a halfspace  $H_{n+1}$  defined below. More precisely, we consider the following algorithms:

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &\in H = H_0, y_n = x_n - \mu_n(I - TP_C)x_n, \\ H_{n+1} &= \{z \in H_n : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{H_{n+1}}x_0, n \geq 0, \end{aligned} \tag{1.6}$$

for finding an element in  $F(T)$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} x_0 &\in H = H_0, y_n = x_n - \mu_n(I - T_n P_C)x_n, \\ H_{n+1} &= \{z \in H_n : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\ x_{n+1} &= P_{H_{n+1}}x_0, n \geq 0; \end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}x_0 \in H = H_0, y_n &= x_n - \mu_n(I - T(t_n)P_C)x_n, \\H_{n+1} &= \{z \in H_n : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|\}, \\x_{n+1} &= P_{H_{n+1}}x_0, n \geq 0,\end{aligned}\tag{1.8}$$

for finding an element in  $\mathcal{F}$ .

We shall prove that iteration processes (1.6) and (1.7), (1.8) converge strongly to a fixed point of  $T$  and a common fixed point of  $\{T(t) : t > 0\}$  in sections 2 and 3, respectively.

The symbols  $\rightharpoonup$  and  $\rightarrow$  denote weak and strong convergences, respectively.

## 2. STRONG CONVERGENCE TO A FIXED POINT OF NONEXPANSIVE MAPPINGS

We formulate the following facts needed in the proof of our results.

**Lemma 2.1** [7]. *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . For any  $x \in H$ , there exists a unique  $z \in C$  such that  $\|z - x\| \leq \|y - x\|$  for all  $y \in C$ , and  $z = P_Cx$  if and only if  $\langle z - x, y - z \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $y \in C$ .*

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset in a real Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $T$  be a nonexpansive mapping on  $C$  such that  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Assume that  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(a, 1)$  for some  $a \in (0, 1]$ . Then, the sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$ , defined by (1.6), converge strongly to the same point  $u_0 = P_{F(T)}x_0$ .*

*Proof.* First, note that  $\|y_n - z\| \leq \|x_n - z\|$  is equivalent to

$$\langle y_n - x_n, x_n - z \rangle \leq -\frac{1}{2}\|y_n - x_n\|^2.$$

Thus,  $H_n$  is a halfspace. Next, we show that  $F(T) \subset H_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . It is clear that  $F(T) = F(TP_C) := \{p \in H : TP_Cp = p\}$  for any mapping  $T$  from  $C$  into  $C$ . So, we have for each  $p \in F(T)$  that

$$\begin{aligned}\|y_n - p\| &= \|(1 - \mu_n)x_n + \mu_nTP_Cx_n - p\| \\&= \|(1 - \mu_n)(x_n - p) + \mu_n(TP_Cx_n - TP_Cp)\| \\&\leq (1 - \mu_n)\|x_n - p\| + \mu_n\|x_n - p\| \\&= \|x_n - p\|.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $p \in H_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .

Further, since  $F(T)$  is a nonempty closed convex subset of  $H$ , by Lemma 2.1, there exists a unique element  $u_0 \in F(T)$  such that  $u_0 = P_{F(T)}x_0$ . From

$x_{n+1} = P_{H_{n+1}}x_0$ , we obtain that

$$\|x_{n+1} - x_0\| \leq \|z - x_0\|$$

for every  $z \in H_{n+1}$ . As  $u_0 \in F(T) \subset H_{n+1}$ , we get

$$\|x_{n+1} - x_0\| \leq \|u_0 - x_0\| \quad \forall n \geq 0. \tag{2.1}$$

Now, we show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n+m} - x_n\| = 0, \tag{2.2}$$

for each fixed integer  $m > 0$ . Indeed, from the definition of  $H_{n+1}$ , it implies that  $H_{n+1} \subseteq H_n$  and hence we have that

$$\|x_n - x_0\| \leq \|x_{n+1} - x_0\| \quad \forall n \geq 0.$$

Therefore, there exists  $\lim_n \|x_n - x_0\| = c$ . Next, by Lemma 2.1,  $x_{n+m} \in H_n$  and  $x_n = P_{H_n}x_0$ , we get that

$$\langle x_n - x_0, x_{n+m} - x_n \rangle \geq 0.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+m} - x_n\|^2 &= \|x_{n+m} - x_0\|^2 - \|x_n - x_0\|^2 - 2\langle x_n - x_0, x_{n+m} - x_n \rangle \\ &\leq \|x_{n+m} - x_0\|^2 - \|x_n - x_0\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

from that and  $\lim_n \|x_n - x_0\| = c$ , (2.2) is implied. So,  $\{x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence. We assume that  $x_n \rightarrow p \in H$ . On the other hand, from (2.2) and the following inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - TP_Cx_n\| &= \frac{1}{\mu_n} \|y_n - x_n\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{a} (\|y_n - x_{n+m}\| + \|x_{n+m} - x_n\|) \\ &\leq \frac{2}{a} \|x_{n+m} - x_n\|, \end{aligned}$$

we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - TP_Cx_n\| = 0.$$

So,  $p = TP_Cp$ . It means that  $p \in F(T)$ . Now, from (2.1) and Lemma 2.1, it implies that  $p = u_0$ . The strong convergence of the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  to  $u_0$  is followed from

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - x_n\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n \|x_n - TP_Cx_n\| = 0$$

and  $x_n \rightarrow u_0$ . This completes the proof. □

### 3. STRONG CONVERGENCE TO A COMMON FIXED POINT OF NONEXPANSIVE SEMIGROUPS

**Lemma 3.1** [10]. *Let  $C$  be a nonempty bounded closed convex subset in a real Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $\{T(t) : t > 0\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$ . Then, for any  $h > 0$*

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{y \in C} \left\| T(h) \left( \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t T(s)y ds \right) - \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t T(s)y ds \right\| = 0.$$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset in a real Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $\{T(t) : t > 0\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$  such that  $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{t>0} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset$ . Assume that  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(a, 1]$  for some  $a \in (0, 1]$  and  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is a positive real number divergent sequence. Then, the sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  defined by (1.7), converge strongly to the same point  $u_0 = P_{\mathcal{F}}x_0$ .*

*Proof.* For each  $p \in \mathcal{F} \subseteq C$ , we have from (1.7) and  $p = P_C p$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_n - p\| &= \left\| (1 - \mu_n)(x_n - p) + \mu_n \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s)P_C x_n ds - p \right) \right\| \\ &\leq (1 - \mu_n)\|x_n - p\| + \mu_n \left\| \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} (T(s)P_C x_n - T(s)P_C p) ds \right\| \\ &\leq (1 - \mu_n)\|x_n - p\| + \mu_n \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} \|x_n - p\| ds \\ &= \|x_n - p\|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $p \in H_n$ . It means that  $\mathcal{F} \subset H_n$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . As in the proof of Theorem 2.2, we get that  $\{x_n\}$  is well defined, it converges strongly to an element  $p \in H$ , and

$$\|x_{n+1} - x_0\| \leq \|u_0 - x_0\|, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| x_n - \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s)P_C x_n ds \right\| = 0, \quad (3.1)$$

where  $u_0 = P_{\mathcal{F}}x_0$ . Since

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s)P_C x_n ds \in C$$

and  $P_C$  is a nonexpansive mapping, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| P_C x_n - \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s)P_C x_n ds \right\| &= \left\| P_C x_n - P_C \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s)P_C x_n ds \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| x_n - \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s)P_C x_n ds \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

So, we obtain from (3.1) that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| P_C x_n - \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) P_C x_n ds \right\| = 0. \tag{3.2}$$

This together with (3.1) and  $x_n \rightarrow p$  implies that the sequence  $\{P_C x_n\}$  also converges strongly to  $p$ . Since  $C$  is closed, we get  $p \in C$ .

On the other hand, we have for each  $h > 0$  that

$$\begin{aligned} \|T(h)P_C x_n - P_C x_n\| &\leq \left\| T(h)P_C x_n - T(h) \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) P_C x_n ds \right) \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| T(h) \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) P_C x_n ds \right) - \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) P_C x_n ds \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) P_C x_n ds - P_C x_n \right\| \\ &\leq 2 \left\| \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) P_C x_n ds - P_C x_n \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| T(h) \left( \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) P_C x_n ds \right) - \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \int_0^{\lambda_n} T(s) P_C x_n ds \right\|. \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

Let  $C_0 = \{z \in C : \|z - u_0\| \leq 2\|x_0 - u_0\|\}$ . Since  $u_0 = P_{\mathcal{F}}x_0 \in C$ , we have from (3.1) and

$$\begin{aligned} \|P_C x_n - u_0\| &= \|P_C x_n - P_C u_0\| \\ &\leq \|x_n - u_0\| \\ &\leq \|x_n - x_0\| + \|x_0 - u_0\| \\ &\leq 2\|x_0 - u_0\|. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $C_0$  is a nonempty bounded closed convex subset. It is easy to verify that  $\{T(t) : t > 0\}$  also is a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C_0$ . By Lemma 3.1, (3.3) and  $P_C x_n \rightarrow p$ , we get  $p = T(h)p$  for each  $h > 0$ . So,  $p \in \mathcal{F}$ . Again, from (3.1) and  $p \in \mathcal{F}$ , it implies that  $p = u_0$  and  $y_n \rightarrow u_0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset in a real Hilbert space  $H$  and let  $\{T(t) : t > 0\}$  be a nonexpansive semigroup on  $C$  such that  $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{t>0} F(T(t)) \neq \emptyset$ . Assume that  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(a, 1]$  for some  $a \in (0, 1]$  and  $\{t_n\}$  is a sequence of positive real numbers satisfying the condition  $\liminf_n t_n = 0, \limsup_n t_n > 0$ , and  $\lim_n (t_{n+1} - t_n) = 0$ . Then, the sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  defined by (1.8), converge strongly to the same point  $u_0 = P_{\mathcal{F}}x_0$ .*

*Proof.* As in the proof of Theorems 2.2 and 3.2, we get

$$\|x_{n+1} - x_0\| \leq \|u_0 - x_0\|, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - T(t_n)P_C x_n\| = 0, \tag{3.4}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|P_C x_n - T(t_n)P_C x_n\| = 0, \quad (3.5)$$

and the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{P_C x_n\}$  also converge strongly to  $p \in C$ .

Without loss of generality, as in [7], let

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} t_{n_j} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|P_C x_{n_j} - T(t_{n_j})P_C x_{n_j}\|}{t_{n_j}} = 0. \quad (3.6)$$

Now, we prove that  $p = T(t)p$  for a fixed  $t > 0$ . It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \|P_C x_{n_j} - T(t)p\| &\leq \sum_{l=0}^{[t-t_{n_j}]-1} \|T(l t_{n_j})P_C x_{n_j} - T((l+1)t_{n_j})P_C x_{n_j}\| \\ &\quad + \left\| T\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_{n_j}}\right]\right)P_C x_{n_j} - T\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_{n_j}}\right]\right)p \right\| \\ &\quad + \left\| T\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_{n_j}}\right]\right)p - T(t)p \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{t}{t_{n_j}} \|P_C x_{n_j} - T(t_{n_j})P_C x_{n_j}\| + \|P_C x_{n_j} - p\| \\ &\quad + \left\| T\left(t - \left[\frac{t}{t_{n_j}}\right]t_{n_j}\right)p - p \right\|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \|P_C x_{n_j} - T(t)p\| &\leq \frac{t}{t_{n_j}} \|P_C x_{n_j} - T(t_{n_j})P_C x_{n_j}\| \\ &\quad + \|P_C x_{n_j} - p\| + \sup\{\|T(s)p - p\| : 0 \leq s \leq t_{n_j}\}. \end{aligned}$$

This fact, together with (3.6) and property (4) for the semigroup, implies that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|P_C x_{n_j} - T(t)p\| = 0.$$

Therefore,  $p \in \mathcal{F}$ . So, from (3.4), we have that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $u_0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . The strong convergence of the sequence  $\{y_n\}$  to  $u_0$  is followed from (1.8), (3.4),  $\mu_n \in (a, 1]$  and  $x_n \rightarrow u_0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . The theorem is proved.  $\square$

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