

FIXED POINT ITERATIONS OF SEMIGROUPS OF NONEXPANSIVE MAPPINGS

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Abstract. In this paper, the problem of finding fixed points of semigroups of nonexpansive mappings is investigated based on an iterative algorithms. Strong convergence theorems of fixed points are obtained.

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1. Introduction-Preliminaries

Recently, iterative algorithms have been investigated for many problems, such as economy, mechanics, transportation and optimization; see [1-11] and the references therein. In this paper, we always assume that *H* is a real Hilbert space. Let *T* be a nonlinear mapping with the domain D(T). A point $x \in D(T)$ is a fixed point of *T* provided Tx = x. Denote by F(T) the set of fixed points of *T*; that is, $F(T) = \{x \in D(T) : Tx = x\}$. Recall that *T* is said to be nonexpansive if

$$||Tx - Ty|| \le ||x - y||, \quad \forall x, y \in D(A).$$

Recall that a family $S = \{T(s) | s \ge 0\}$ of mappings from *H* into itself is called a one-parameter nonexpansive semigroup if it satisfies the following conditions:

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- (i) $T(0)x = x, \forall x \in H$;
- (ii) T(s+t)x = T(s)T(t)x, $\forall s, t \ge 0$ and $\forall x \in H$;
- (iii) $||T(s)x T(s)y|| \le ||x y||, \forall s \ge 0 \text{ and } \forall x, y \in H;$
- (iv) for all $x \in C$, $s \mapsto T(s)x$ is continuous.

We denote by F(S) the set of common fixed points of *S*, that is, $F(S) = \bigcap_{0 \le s < \infty} F(T(s))$. Let *C* be a nonempty closed and convex subset of *H*. One classical way to study nonexpansive mappings is to use contractions to approximate a nonexpansive mapping. More precisely, take $t \in (0,1)$ and define a contraction $T_t : C \to C$ by

$$T_t x = t u + (1-t)T x, \quad x \in C,$$
 (1.1)

where $u \in C$ is a fixed point. Banach's contraction mapping principle guarantees that T_t has a unique fixed point x_t in C. If T enjoys a nonempty fixed point set, Browder [12] proved the following well-known strong convergence theorem.

let *T* be a nonexpansive mapping on *C*. Fix $u \in C$ and define $z_t \in C$ as $z_t = tu + (1-t)Tz_t$ for $t \in (0,1)$. Then as $t \to 0$, $\{z_t\}$ converges strongly to a element of F(T) nearest to *u*.

Halpern [13] considered the following explicit iteration:

$$x_0 \in C, \quad x_{n+1} = \alpha_n u + (1 - \alpha_n) T x_n, \quad n \ge 0,$$
 (1.2)

and proved the following theorem.

Let *T* be a nonexpansive mapping on *C*. Define a real sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ in [0,1] by $\alpha_n = n^{-\theta}$, $0 < \theta < 1$. Define a sequence $\{x_n\}$ by (1.2). Then $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to the element of F(T) nearest to *u*.

In 1977, Lions [14] improved the result of Halpern, still in Hilbert spaces, by proving the strong convergence of $\{x_n\}$ to a fixed point of T where the real sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ satisfies the following conditions:

- (C1) $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = 0;$
- (C2) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty;$
- (C3) $\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{\alpha_{n+1}-\alpha_n}{\alpha_{n+1}^2}=0.$

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It was observed that both Halpern's and Lions's conditions on the real sequence $\{\alpha_n\}$ excluded the canonical choice $\alpha_n = \frac{1}{n+1}$. This was overcome in 1992 by Wittmann [15], who proved, still in Hilbert spaces, the strong convergence of $\{x_n\}$ to a fixed point of *T* if $\{\alpha_n\}$ satisfies the following conditions:

- (C1) $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = 0;$
- (C2) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty;$
- (C4) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} \alpha_n| < \infty.$

Recall that a mapping $f: H \to H$ is an α -contraction if there exists a constant $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$||f(x) - f(y)|| \le \alpha ||x - y||, \quad \forall x, y \in H.$$

Recall that An operator A is strongly positive on H if there exists a constant $\bar{\gamma} > 0$ such that $\langle Ax, x \rangle \ge \bar{\gamma} ||x||^2, \forall x \in H.$

Lemma 1.1 [16] *Let D be a nonempty bounded closed convex subset of a Hilbert space H and let S* = { $T(t) : 0 \le t < \infty$ } *be a nonexpansive semigroup on D. Then, for any* $0 \le h < \infty$,

$$\lim_{t \to \infty} \sup_{x \in D} \left\| \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t T(s) x ds - T(h) \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t T(s) x ds \right\| = 0.$$

Lemma 1.2 [17] Let H be a Hilbert space, C a closed convex subset of H, and $T : C \to C$ a nonexpansive mapping with $F(T) \neq \emptyset$. Then I - T is demiclosed, i.e. if $\{x_n\}$ is a sequence in C weakly converging to x and if $\{(I - T)x_n\}$ strongly converges to y, then (I - T)x = y.

Lemma 1.3. Let *C* be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space *H* and let P_C be the metric projection from *H* onto *C*(i.e., for $x \in H$, $P_C x$ is the only point in *C* such that $||x - P_C x|| = \inf\{||x - z|| : z \in C\}$). Given $x \in H$ and $z \in C$. Then $z = P_C x$ if and only if there holds the relations: $\langle x - z, y - z \rangle \leq 0, \forall y \in C$.

Lemma 1.4. Let *H* be a Hilbert space, *f* a α -contraction, and *A* a strongly positive linear bounded self-adjoint operator with the coefficient $\bar{\gamma} > 0$. Then, for $0 < \gamma < \bar{\gamma}/\alpha$,

$$\langle x-y, (A-\gamma f)x-(A-\gamma f)y\rangle \ge (\bar{\gamma}-\gamma\alpha)||x-y||^2, \quad x,y \in H.$$

That is, $A - \gamma f$ is strongly monotone with coefficient $\bar{\gamma} - \alpha \gamma$. $\langle x - y, (I - f)x - (I - f)y \rangle \ge 0$, $x, y \in H$.

Lemma 1.6 Assume A is a strongly positive linear bounded self-adjoint operator on a Hilbert space H with coefficient $\bar{\gamma} > 0$ and $0 < \rho \leq ||A||^{-1}$. Then $||I - \rho A|| \leq 1 - \rho \bar{\gamma}$.

Lemma 1.7 Let $\{\alpha_n\}$ be a sequence of nonnegative real numbers satisfying the following condition:

$$\alpha_{n+1} \leq (1-\gamma_n)\alpha_n + \gamma_n\sigma_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0,$$

where $\{\gamma_n\}$ is a sequence in (0,1) and $\{\sigma_n\}$ is a sequence of real numbers such that

- (i) $\lim_{n\to\infty} \gamma_n = 0$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \gamma_n = \infty$,
- (ii) either $\limsup_{n\to\infty} \sigma_n \leq 0$ or $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\gamma_n \sigma_n| < \infty$.

Then $\{\alpha_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ converges to zero.

2. Main results

Theorem 2.1. Let *H* be a real Hilbert space *H*, *C* a closed and convex subset of *H*. Let $S = \{T(s) : 0 \le s < \infty\}$ be a nonexpansive semigroup such that $F(S) \ne \emptyset$. Let $\{s_n\}$ be a positive real divergent sequence and let $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{\beta_n\}$ be sequences in (0,1) satisfying the following conditions $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} \beta_n = 0$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$. Let *f* be an α -contraction and let *A* be a strongly positive linear bounded self-adjoint operator with the coefficient $\overline{\gamma} > 0$. Assume that $0 < \gamma < \overline{\gamma}/\alpha$. Then sequence $\{x_n\}$ defined by

$$x_0 \in C, \quad x_{n+1} = \operatorname{Proj}_C\left(\alpha_n \gamma f(x_n) + \beta_n x_n + ((1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n A)\frac{1}{s_n} \int_0^{s_n} T(s)x_n ds\right), \quad n \ge 0.$$

strongly converges to $x^* \in F(S)$.

Proof. We first prove that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is bounded. $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} \beta_n = 0$, we may assume, with no loss of generality, that $\frac{\alpha_n}{1-\beta_n} < ||A||^{-1}$ for all $n \ge 0$. From Lemma 1.6, we know

that $||(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n A|| \le (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \bar{\gamma})$. Picking $p \in F(S)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - p\| \\ &\leq \|\alpha_n(\gamma f(x_n) - Ap) + \beta_n(x_n - p) + ((1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n A)(\frac{1}{s_n} \int_0^{s_n} T(s)x_n ds - p)\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|\gamma f(x_n) - Ap\| + \beta_n \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \bar{\gamma})\| \frac{1}{s_n} \int_0^{s_n} T(s)x_n ds - p\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \gamma \|f(x_n) - f(p)\| + \alpha_n \|\gamma f(p) - Ap\| + \beta_n \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \bar{\gamma})\|x_n - p\| \\ &\leq [1 - \alpha_n(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma \alpha)]\|x_n - p\| + \alpha_n \|\gamma f(p) - Ap\|. \end{aligned}$$

By simple inductions, we see that

$$||x_n-p|| \leq \max\{||x_0-p||, \frac{||Ap-\gamma f(p)||}{\bar{\gamma}-\gamma\alpha}\},\$$

which yields that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is bounded. Now, we are in a position to prove that

$$\limsup_{n\to\infty}\langle (\gamma f-A)x^*, y_n-x^*\rangle \leq 0,$$

where $y_n = \frac{1}{s_n} \int_0^{s_n} T(s) x_n ds$. Putting $z_0 = P_{F(S)} x_0$, we see that the closed ball M of center z_0 and radius $\max\{\|z_0 - p\|, \frac{\|Az_0 - \gamma f(z_0)\|}{\tilde{\gamma} - \gamma \alpha}\}$ is T(s)-invariant for each $s \in [0, \infty)$ and contain $\{x_n\}$. Therefore, we assume, without loss of generality, $S = \{T(s) : 0 \le s < \infty\}$ is a nonexpansive semigroup on M. It follows from Lemma 1.1 that $\lim_{n \to \infty} \|y_n - T(h)y_n\| = 0$ for all $0 \le h < \infty$. Taking a suitable subsequence $\{y_{n_i}\}$ of $\{y_n\}$, we see that

$$\limsup_{n\to\infty} \langle (\gamma f - A)x^*, y_n - x^* \rangle = \lim_{i\to\infty} \langle (\gamma f - A)x^*, y_{n_i} - x^* \rangle.$$

Since the sequence $\{y_n\}$ is also bounded, we may assume that $y_{n_i} \rightharpoonup \bar{x}$. From the demiclosedness principle, we have $\bar{x} \in F(S)$. Therefore, we have

$$\limsup_{n\to\infty}\langle (\gamma f-A)x^*, y_n-x^*\rangle = \langle (\gamma f-A)x^*, \bar{x}-x^*\rangle \leq 0.$$

On the other hand, we have $||x_{n+1} - y_n|| \le \alpha_n ||\gamma f(x_n) - Ax_n|| + \beta_n ||x_n - y_n||$. From the assumption $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = \lim_{n\to\infty} \beta_n = 0$ that $\lim_{n\to\infty} ||x_{n+1} - y_n|| = 0$, which gives that $\limsup_{n\to\infty} \langle (\gamma f - \alpha_n) ||x_{n+1} - y_n|| = 0$.

$$\begin{split} A)x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle &\leq 0. \\ \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \\ &\leq \alpha_n \Big(\gamma \langle f(x_n) - f(x^*), x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle + \langle \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \Big) \\ &+ \beta_n \|x_n - x^*\| \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| + \|(1 - \beta_n)I - \alpha_n A\| \|y_n - x^*\| \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \alpha \gamma \|x_n - x^*\| \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| + \alpha_n \langle \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &+ \beta_n \|x_n - x^*\| \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| + (1 - \beta_n - \alpha_n \overline{\gamma})\| \|x_n - x^*\| \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| \\ &= [1 - \alpha_n (\overline{\gamma} - \gamma \alpha)] \|x_n - x^*\| \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| + \alpha_n \langle \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &\leq \frac{1 - \alpha_n (\overline{\gamma} - \gamma \alpha)}{2} (\|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2) + \alpha_n \langle \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle. \end{split}$$

It follows that

$$||x_{n+1} - x^*||^2 \le [1 - \alpha_n(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma\alpha)] ||x_n - x^*||^2 + 2\alpha_n \langle \gamma f(x^*) - Ax^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle.$$

In view of Lemma 1.7, we obtain the desired conclusion easily. This completes the proof.

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