



## Strong convergence theorems and a projection method using a balanced mapping in Hadamard spaces

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we prove a strong convergence theorem generated iterative of Halpern type using a balanced mapping of a countable family of nonexpansive mappings. Further, we propose a projection method with balanced mappings.

### 1. Introduction

Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space,  $C$  a nonempty subset of  $H$ , and  $T$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into itself. The problem of finding a fixed point of  $T$  is one of the most important problems in nonlinear analysis. In 2008, Takahashi et al. proposed a strong convergence theorem, which is called *the shrinking projection method*.

**Theorem 1.1** (Takahashi et al. [10]). *Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space,  $C$  a nonempty closed convex subset of  $H$ ,  $T$  a nonexpansive mapping such that  $\mathcal{F}(T) \neq \emptyset$ , and  $\{\alpha_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset [0, a] \subset [0, 1[$ . For a point  $x \in H$  chosen arbitrarily, generate a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  and a sequence  $\{C_n\}$  of sets by  $x_1 \in C$ ,  $C_0 = C$  and*

$$\begin{aligned}y_n &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T x_n; \\C_n &= \{z \in C \mid \|z - y_n\| \leq \|z - x_n\|\} \cap C_{n-1}; \\x_{n+1} &= P_{C_n} x\end{aligned}$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $P_K$  is the metric projection of  $C$  onto a nonempty closed convex subset  $K$  of  $C$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $P_{\mathcal{F}(T)} x \in C$ .

On the other hand, as another type of strongly convergent sequence to a fixed point, Kimura et al. proposed the following projection method in a Hilbert space in 2011. It is called *the combining projection method*.

**Theorem 1.2** (Kimura et al. [8]). *Let  $C$  a nonempty closed convex subset  $C$  of a Hilbert space and  $T_j$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into itself for  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$  such that  $\bigcap_{j=1}^N \mathcal{F}(T_j) \neq \emptyset$ . Put  $I_N = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ . Let  $\{\alpha_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset$*

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$[0, 1]$ ,  $\{\beta_n^j \mid j \in I_N, n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{j \in I_N} \beta_n^j = 1$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\{\gamma_{n,k} \mid n, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \leq n\}$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \gamma_{n,k} = 1$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\{\delta_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset [0, 1]$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  by  $u, x_1 \in C$  and

$$\begin{aligned} y_n^j &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T_j x_n \text{ for } j \in I_N; \\ C_n^j &= \{z \in C \mid \|z - y_n^j\| \leq \|z - x_n\|\} \text{ for } j \in I_N; \\ v_{n,k}^j &= P_{C_n^j} x_n \text{ for } k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\} \text{ and } j \in I_N; \\ w_{n,k} &= \sum_{j \in I_N} \beta_k^j v_{n,k}^j \text{ for } k \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}; \\ x_{n+1} &= \delta_n u + (1 - \delta_n) \sum_{k=1}^n \gamma_{n,k} w_{n,k} \end{aligned}$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $P_K$  is the metric projection of  $H$  onto a nonempty closed convex subset  $K$  of  $H$ . Suppose the following conditions hold:

- (a)  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n < 1$ ;
- (b)  $\beta_n^j > 0$  for all  $j \in I_N$ ;
- (c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_{n,k} > 0$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\gamma_{n+1,k} - \gamma_{n,k}| < \infty$ ;
- (d)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n = \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| < \infty$ .

Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $P_{\bigcap_{j=1}^N \mathcal{F}(T_j)} u$ .

We can prove this theorem by using the following result for a countable family of nonexpansive mapping in a Banach space.

**Theorem 1.3** (Aoyama et al. [1]). *Let  $E$  be a uniformly convex Banach space whose norm is uniformly Gâteaux differentiable,  $C$  a nonempty closed convex subset of  $E$ ,  $\{\alpha_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset [0, 1]$ ,  $\{\beta_n^k \mid k, n \in \mathbb{N}, k \leq n\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \beta_n^k = 1$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $S_k$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into itself for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(S_k) \neq \emptyset$ . Define  $\{x_n\}$  by  $x_1, u \in C$  and*

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n u + (1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_n^k S_k$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose the following conditions hold:

- (a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < \infty$ ;
- (b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n^k > 0$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta_{n+1}^k - \beta_n^k| < \infty$ .

Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $Qu$ , where  $Q$  is sunny nonexpansive retraction of  $E$  onto  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(S_k)$ .

Huang and Kimura generalized Theorem 1.2 to the setting of Hadamard space [6]. In this result, they repeatedly use a usual convex combination between two points to construct the convex combination among three or more points. There is another approach to take a convex combination among such points; a notion of balanced mapping.

In this paper, we propose a convergence theorem generated by a Halpern type iterative sequence using a balanced mapping of a countable family of nonexpansive mappings. We apply this result to a new method using a balanced mapping of nonexpansive mappings in a Hadamard space, which is similar to [6]. It is different from the method proposed in [7]. In Section 2, we introduce a Hadamard space and a balanced mapping of nonexpansive mappings. In Section 3, we prove a convergence theorem generated by a Halpern iterative sequence using a balanced mapping of a countable family of nonexpansive mappings in a Hadamard space. In Section 4, we propose a projection method using a nonexpansive mapping and prove a convergence theorem.

2. Preliminaries

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space, and  $T$  a mapping of  $X$  into itself. The set of all fixed points of  $T$  is denoted by  $\mathcal{F}(T)$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence of  $X$ . An element  $x_0 \in X$  is said to be an *asymptotic center* of  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  if the following equality holds:

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x_0) = \inf_{x \in X} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x).$$

A sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  is said to be  $\Delta$ -convergent to  $x_0 \in X$  if  $x_0$  is a unique asymptotic center of all subsequences of  $\{x_n\}$ . It is denoted by  $x_n \xrightarrow{\Delta} x_0$ . We say a mapping  $T$  is *nonexpansive* if for  $x, y \in X$ , it follows that  $d(Tx, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ . If a mapping  $T$  is nonexpansive and  $\mathcal{F}(T) \neq \emptyset$ , it is closed convex. Further, a mapping  $T$  is called  $\Delta$ -demiclosed if for every  $\{x_n\} \subset X$  satisfying  $x_n \xrightarrow{\Delta} x_0 \in X$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$ , it follows that  $x_0 \in \mathcal{F}(T)$ . We know that if a mapping  $T$  is nonexpansive, it is  $\Delta$ -demiclosed.

Let  $x, y \in X$  and  $\gamma_{xy}$  a mapping of  $[0, d(x, y)]$  into  $X$ . A mapping  $\gamma_{xy}$  is said to be a *geodesic with endpoints  $x$  and  $y$*  if  $\gamma_{xy}(0) = x, \gamma_{xy}(d(x, y)) = y$  and  $d(\gamma_{xy}(s), \gamma_{xy}(t)) = |s - t|$  for all  $s, t \in [0, d(x, y)]$ .  $X$  is called a *unique geodesic space* if for all  $x, y \in X$ , there exists a unique geodesic with endpoints  $x$  and  $y$ . The image of the geodesic with endpoints  $x$  and  $y$  is denoted by  $\text{Im } \gamma_{xy}$ . For  $x, y \in X$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ , there exists  $z \in \text{Im } \gamma_{xy}$  such that  $d(x, z) = (1 - t)d(x, y)$  and  $d(y, z) = td(x, y)$ , which is denoted by  $z = tx \oplus (1 - t)y$ .

Let  $X$  be a unique geodesic space and  $x, y, z \in X$ . Then, a *geodesic triangle of vertices  $x, y, z$*  is defined by  $\text{Im } \gamma_{xy} \cup \text{Im } \gamma_{yz} \cup \text{Im } \gamma_{zx}$ , which is denoted by  $\Delta(x, y, z)$ . For  $x, y, z \in X$ , a *comparison triangle* to  $\Delta(x, y, z) \subset X$  of vertices  $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z} \in \mathbb{E}^2$  is defined by  $\text{Im } \gamma_{\bar{x}\bar{y}} \cup \text{Im } \gamma_{\bar{y}\bar{z}} \cup \text{Im } \gamma_{\bar{z}\bar{x}}$  with  $d(x, y) = d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}), d(y, z) = d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\bar{y}, \bar{z})$  and  $d(z, x) = d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\bar{z}, \bar{x})$ , which is denoted by  $\bar{\Delta}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ . A point  $\bar{p} \in \text{Im } \gamma_{\bar{x}\bar{y}}$  is called a *comparison point* of  $p \in \text{Im } \gamma_{xy}$  if  $d(x, p) = d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\bar{x}, \bar{p})$ . A unique geodesic space  $X$  is called a CAT(0) space if for all  $x, y, z \in X, p, q \in \Delta(x, y, z)$  and their comparison points  $\bar{p}, \bar{q} \in \bar{\Delta}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}, \bar{z})$ , it follows that  $d(p, q) \leq d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\bar{p}, \bar{q})$ . A complete CAT(0) space is called a *Hadamard space*. In a CAT(0) space, the following lemmas hold:

**Lemma 2.1** (Bačák [2]). *Let  $X$  be a CAT(0) space,  $x, y, z \in X$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Then the following holds:*

$$d(tx \oplus (1 - t)y, z)^2 \leq td(x, z)^2 + (1 - t)d(y, z)^2 - t(1 - t)d(x, y)^2.$$

**Lemma 2.2** (He et al. [5]). *Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space and  $\{x_n\}$  a bounded sequence of  $X$  such that  $x_n \xrightarrow{\Delta} x \in X$ . Then  $d(u, x) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(u, x_n)$  for  $u \in X$ .*

Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space and put  $I_N = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ . Let  $T_k$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $X$  into itself for  $k \in I_N$  and  $\{\alpha^k \mid k \in I_N\} \subset [0, 1]$  with  $\sum_{k \in I_N} \alpha^k = 1$ . Then a *balanced mapping  $U$  of  $T_k$*  is defined by

$$Ux = \text{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k \in I_N} \alpha^k d(T_k x, y)^2$$

for all  $x \in X$ ; see [4].

**Theorem 2.3** (Hasegawa and Kimura [4]). *Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space. Put  $I_N = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ . Let  $T_k$  a nonexpansive mapping for all  $k \in I_N$  such that  $\bigcap_{k \in I_N} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$  is nonempty and  $\{\alpha^k : k \in I_N\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{k \in I_N} \alpha^k = 1$ . Define  $U : X \rightarrow X$  by*

$$Ux = \text{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k \in I_N} \alpha^k d(T_k x, y)^2$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Then the following hold:

- (a)  $U$  is single-valued and nonexpansive;
- (b)  $\mathcal{F}(U) = \bigcap_{k \in I_N} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ ;

(c) the inequality

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha^k d(T_k x, Ux)^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha^k d(T_k x, y)^2 - d(Ux, y)^2$$

holds for  $x, y \in X$ .

The following lemma is important to prove a convergence theorem generated by a Halpern’s iterative method using a balanced mapping of a countable family of nonexpansive mappings:

**Lemma 2.4** (Aoyama et al. [1]). *Let  $\{s_n\}$  be a sequence of nonnegative real numbers,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  a sequence of  $[0, 1]$  with  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n = \infty$ ,  $\{u_n\}$  a sequence of nonnegative real numbers with  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty u_n < \infty$  and  $\{t_n\}$  a real numbers with  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n \leq 0$ . Suppose that  $s_{n+1} \leq (1 - \alpha_n)s_n + \alpha_n t_n + u_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} s_n = 0$ .*

### 3. A convergence theorem with balanced mappings

In this section, we generate a Halpern type iterative sequence using a balanced mapping of a countable family of nonexpansive mappings and prove the convergence theorem. We first show the properties of a balanced mapping of a countable family of nonexpansive mappings:

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space,  $T_k$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $X$  into itself for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\bigcap_{k=1}^\infty \mathcal{F}(T_k) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\{\alpha^k \mid k = 1, 2, \dots, n\} \subset [0, 1]$  and  $\{\beta^k \mid k = 1, 2, \dots, n+1\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k = \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \beta^k = 1$ . Put*

$$Ux = \operatorname{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k d(T_k x, y)^2 \text{ and } Vx = \operatorname{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \beta^k d(T_k x, y)^2$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Then the inequality

$$d(Ux, Vx) \leq 4d(x, z) \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k|$$

holds for all  $x \in X$  and  $z \in \bigcap_{k=1}^\infty \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$ . If  $Ux = Vx$ , we get the result obviously. Suppose  $Ux \neq Vx$ . Let  $t \in ]0, 1[$ . By Lemma 2.1, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k d(T_k x, Ux)^2 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k d(T_k x, tUx \oplus (1-t)Vx)^2 \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k (td(T_k x, Ux)^2 + (1-t)d(T_k x, Vx)^2 - t(1-t)d(Ux, Vx)^2) \\ &= t \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k d(T_k x, Ux)^2 + (1-t) \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_k x, Vx)^2 - t(1-t)d(Ux, Vx)^2 \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$t(1-t)d(Ux, Vx)^2 \leq (1-t) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k d(T_k x, Vx)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k d(T_k x, Ux)^2 \right).$$

Dividing  $1-t > 0$  and letting  $t \rightarrow 1$ , we get

$$d(Ux, Vx)^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k d(T_k x, Vx)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_k x, Ux)^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k (d(T_k x, Vx)^2 - d(T_k x, Ux)^2). \tag{1}$$

Similarly, we get

$$d(Vx, Ux)^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^{n+1} \beta^k (d(T_k x, Ux)^2 - d(T_k x, Vx)^2).$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(Vx, Ux)^2 &= \sum_{k=1}^n \beta^k (d(T_k x, Ux)^2 - d(T_k x, Vx)^2) + \beta^{n+1} (d(T_{n+1} x, Ux)^2 - d(T_{n+1} x, Vx)^2) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \beta^k (d(T_k x, Ux)^2 - d(T_k x, Vx)^2) + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^n \beta^k\right) (d(T_{n+1} x, U_n x)^2 - d(T_{n+1} x, U_{n+1} x)^2) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \beta^k (d(T_k x, Ux)^2 - d(T_k x, Vx)^2) + \sum_{k=1}^n (\alpha^k - \beta^k) (d(T_{n+1} x, Ux)^2 - d(T_{n+1} x, Vx)^2) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \beta^k (d(T_k x, Ux)^2 - d(T_k x, Vx)^2) + \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| |d(T_{n+1} x, Ux)^2 - d(T_{n+1} x, Vx)^2| \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$d(Ux, Vx)^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \beta^k (d(T_k x, Ux)^2 - d(T_k x, Vx)^2) + \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| |d(T_{n+1} x, Ux)^2 - d(T_{n+1} x, Vx)^2|. \tag{2}$$

Adding (1) and (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} 2d(Ux, Vx)^2 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha^k (d(T_k x, Vx)^2 - d(T_k x, Ux)^2) + \sum_{k=1}^n \beta^k (d(T_k x, Ux)^2 - d(T_k x, Vx)^2) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| |d(T_{n+1} x, Ux)^2 - d(T_{n+1} x, Vx)^2| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (|d(T_k x, Ux)^2 - d(T_k x, Vx)^2|) + \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (|d(T_{n+1} x, Ux)^2 - d(T_{n+1} x, Vx)^2|) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (d(T_k x, Ux) + d(T_k x, Vx)) d(Ux, Vx) \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (d(T_{n+1} x, Ux) + d(T_{n+1} x, Vx)) d(Ux, Vx). \end{aligned}$$

Dividing  $2d(Ux, Vx) > 0$ , we get

$$d(Ux, Vx) \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| ((d(T_k x, Ux) + d(T_k x, Vx)) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (d(T_{n+1} x, Ux) + d(T_{n+1} x, Vx))).$$

Let  $z \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \subset \bigcap_{k=1}^{n+1} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \subset \bigcap_{k=1}^n \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ . By (a) of Theorem 2.3, mappings  $U$  and  $V$  are nonexpansive.

Then we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(Ux, Vx) &\leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (d(T_kx, Ux) + d(T_kx, Vx)) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (d(T_{n+1}x, Ux) + d(T_{n+1}x, Vx)) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (d(T_kx, z) + d(z, Ux) + d(z, Vx) + d(T_{n+1}x, z)) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| (d(T_{n+1}x, z) + d(z, Ux) + d(z, Vx) + d(T_{n+1}x, z)) \\ &\leq 4d(x, z) \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta^k - \alpha^k| \end{aligned}$$

and thus we get desired result.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space,  $C$  a nonempty bounded subset of  $X$ ,  $T_k$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $X$  into itself for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \neq \emptyset$  and,  $\{\alpha_n^k \mid n, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \leq n\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k = 1$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let

$$U_nx = \operatorname{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_kx, y)^2$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_{n+1}^k - \alpha_n^k| < \infty$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup_{x \in C} d(U_{n+1}x, U_nx) < \infty.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x \in C$ . By Lemma 3.1, we get

$$d(U_nx, U_{n+1}x) \leq 4d(x, z) \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_{n+1}^k - \alpha_n^k| \leq 4M \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_{n+1}^k - \alpha_n^k|$$

for all  $z \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ , where  $M = \sup_{x \in C} d(x, z)$ . Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_{n+1}^k - \alpha_n^k| < \infty$ , we get

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup_{x \in C} d(U_nx, U_{n+1}x) < \infty.$$

Consequently, we complete the proof.  $\square$

By Lemma 3.2, we can prove the following corollary easily.

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space,  $T_k$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $X$  into itself with  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \neq \emptyset$  and,  $\{\alpha_n^k \mid n, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \leq n\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k = 1$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let

$$U_nx = \operatorname{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_kx, y)^2$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_{n+1}^k - \alpha_n^k| < \infty$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} d(U_{n+1}x, U_nx) < \infty$$

and  $\{U_nx\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for each  $x \in X$ .

By Corollary 3.3, there exists a limit of  $\{U_n x\}$ . In the following lemma, we consider the properties of it.

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space,  $C$  a nonempty bounded subset of  $X$ ,  $T_k$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $X$  into itself for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \neq \emptyset$  and,  $\{\alpha_n^k \mid n, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \leq n\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k = 1$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let*

$$U_n x = \operatorname{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_k x, y)^2$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose the following conditions hold:

- (a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n^k > 0$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ;
- (b)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_{n+1}^k - \alpha_n^k| < \infty$ .

Put  $Ux = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n x$  for each  $x \in X$ . Then, the following conditions hold:

- (i)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in C} d(U_n x, Ux) = 0$ ;
- (ii)  $U$  is nonexpansive ;
- (iii)  $\mathcal{F}(U) = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ .

*Proof.* (i) Let  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $n \leq m$  and  $x \in X$ . Then, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(U_m x, U_n x) &\leq d(U_m x, U_{n+1} x) + d(U_{n+1} x, U_n x) \\ &\leq d(U_m x, U_{n+2} x) + d(U_{n+2} x, U_{n+1} x) + d(U_{n+1} x, U_n x) \\ &\leq \dots \\ &\leq \sum_{l=n}^{m-1} d(U_l x, U_{l+1} x) \leq \sum_{l=n}^{\infty} d(U_l x, U_{l+1} x) \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$d(U_m x, U_n x) \leq \sum_{l=n}^{\infty} d(U_l x, U_{l+1} x). \tag{3}$$

By (3) and Corollary 3.3, letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\sup_{x \in C} d(Ux, U_n x) \leq \sum_{l=n}^{\infty} \sup_{x \in C} d(U_l x, U_{l+1} x).$$

Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in C} d(Ux, U_n x) = 0$ .

(ii) Let  $x, y \in X$ . Since  $U_n$  is nonexpansive for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we get

$$d(Ux, Uy) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(U_n x, U_n y) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, y) = d(x, y)$$

and hence  $U$  is a nonexpansive mapping of  $X$  into itself.

(iii) Let  $z \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \subset \bigcap_{k=1}^n \mathcal{F}(T_k) = \mathcal{F}(U_n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we get

$$Uz = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} z = z$$

and thus  $z \in \mathcal{F}(U)$ . On the other hand, let  $z \in \mathcal{F}(U)$  and  $w \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \subset \bigcap_{k=1}^n \mathcal{F}(T_k) = \mathcal{F}(U_n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By (c) of Theorem 2.3, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_k z, U_n z)^2 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_k z, U_n w)^2 - d(U_n z, U_n w)^2 \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_k z, w)^2 - d(U_n z, w)^2 \\ &\leq d(z, w)^2 - d(U_n z, w)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Fix  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  arbitrarily. Then, we have

$$0 \leq \alpha_n^j d(T_j z, U_n z)^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_k z, U_n z)^2 \leq d(z, w)^2 - d(U_n z, w)^2$$

By (a), letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(T_j z, U_n z) = 0$ . Then, it follows that

$$d(T_j z, z) = d(T_j z, U z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(T_j z, U_n z) = 0$$

and hence  $z \in \mathcal{F}(T_j)$ . Since  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  is arbitrary, we get  $z \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ . Therefore we get  $\mathcal{F}(U) = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$  and complete the proof.  $\square$

The following result was mentioned in [3] without proof. For the sake of completeness, we give the proof.

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space,  $T_k$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $X$  into itself for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $\{\alpha_n^k \mid n, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \leq n\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k = 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\{\delta_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset [0, 1]$ . Let*

$$U_n x = \operatorname{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_n^k d(T_k x, y)^2$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  by  $u, x_1 \in X$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \delta_n u \oplus (1 - \delta_n) U_n x_n$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose the following conditions hold:

- (a)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n^k > 0$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\alpha_{n+1}^k - \alpha_n^k| < \infty$ ;
- (b)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n = \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| < \infty$ .

Then,  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent to  $P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u$ , where  $P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)}$  is the metric projection of  $X$  onto  $\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $z \in \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k) \subset \bigcap_{k=1}^n \mathcal{F}(T_k) = \mathcal{F}(U_n)$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, z) &\leq \delta_n d(u, z) + (1 - \delta_n) d(U_n x_n, z) \\ &\leq \delta_n d(u, z) + (1 - \delta_n) d(x_n, z) \\ &\leq \max\{d(u, z), d(x_n, z)\} \\ &\leq \max\{d(u, z), d(x_1, z)\}. \end{aligned}$$

and hence  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{U_n x_n\}$  are bounded for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Put  $M = \max\{d(u, z), d(x_1, z)\}$ . Let  $C$  be a bounded subset of  $X$  including  $\{x_n\}$ . Then, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+2}, x_{n+1}) &= d(\delta_{n+1} u \oplus (1 - \delta_{n+1}) U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, \delta_n u \oplus (1 - \delta_n) U_n x_n) \\ &\leq d(\delta_{n+1} u \oplus (1 - \delta_{n+1}) U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, \delta_n u \oplus (1 - \delta_n) U_{n+1} x_{n+1}) \\ &\quad + d(\delta_n u \oplus (1 - \delta_n) U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, \delta_n u \oplus (1 - \delta_n) U_n x_n) \\ &\leq |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, u) + (1 - \delta_n) d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, U_n x_n) \\ &\leq |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, u) + (1 - \delta_n) (d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, U_n x_{n+1}) + d(U_n x_{n+1}, U_n x_n)) \\ &\leq |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, u) + (1 - \delta_n) d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + (1 - \delta_n) d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, U_n x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, u) + (1 - \delta_n) d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, U_n x_{n+1}) \\ &\leq (1 - \delta_n) d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| d(U_{n+1} x_{n+1}, u) + \sup_{x \in C} d(U_{n+1} x, U_n x) \\ &\leq (1 - \delta_n) d(x_{n+1}, x_n) + 2M |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| + \sup_{x \in C} d(U_{n+1} x, U_n x) \end{aligned}$$



for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By Lemma 3.2, we get  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sup_{x \in C} d(U_n x, U_{n+1} x) < \infty$ . Using Lemma 2.4, we get  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n+1}, x_n) = 0$ . Further, we get

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, U_n x_n) &\leq d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, U_n x_n) = d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(\delta_n u \oplus (1 - \delta_n) U_n x_n, U_n x_n) \\ &= d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + \delta_n d(u, U_n x_n) \end{aligned}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, U_n x_n) = 0$ . By Corollary 3.3, we get  $\{U_n x\}$  is a Cauchy sequence for each  $x \in X$ . Put  $Ux = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U_n x$ . By Lemma 3.4,  $U$  is nonexpansive and  $\mathcal{F}(U) = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ . Put

$$\gamma_n = d\left(u, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 - (1 - \delta_n) d(u, U_n x_n)^2.$$

We next show  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n \leq 0$ . We can take a subsequence  $\{\gamma_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{\gamma_n\}$  such that

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_{n_i} = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n.$$

Further, since  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  is bounded, there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n_{i_j}}\}$  of  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  such that  $x_{n_{i_j}} \xrightarrow{\Delta} x_0 \in X$ . We get

$$0 \leq d(x_{n_{i_j}}, Ux_{n_{i_j}}) \leq d(x_{n_{i_j}}, U_{n_{i_j}} x_{n_{i_j}}) + d(U_{n_{i_j}} x_{n_{i_j}}, Ux_{n_{i_j}}) \leq d(x_{n_{i_j}}, U_{n_{i_j}} x_{n_{i_j}}) + \sup_{x \in C} d(U_{n_{i_j}} x, Ux).$$

By (i) of Lemma 3.4, letting  $j \rightarrow \infty$ , we obtain  $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n_{i_j}}, Ux_{n_{i_j}}) = 0$ . Since  $U$  is  $\Delta$ -demiclosed, we have  $x_0 \in \mathcal{F}(U) = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \gamma_n - \left( d\left(u, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 - d(u, x_n)^2 \right) \right| &= \left| d(u, x_n)^2 - d(u, U_n x_n)^2 + \delta_n d(u, U_n x_n)^2 \right| \\ &\leq \left| d(u, x_n)^2 - d(u, U_n x_n)^2 \right| + \delta_n d(u, U_n x_n)^2 \\ &\leq (d(u, x_n) + d(u, U_n x_n)) d(x_n, U_n x_n) + \delta_n d(u, U_n x_n)^2 \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.2, letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n &= \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_{n_i} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_{n_{i_j}} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left( d\left(u, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 - d(u, x_{n_{i_j}})^2 \right) \\ &= d\left(u, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 - \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} d(u, x_{n_{i_j}})^2 \\ &\leq d\left(u, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 - d(u, x_0)^2 \\ &\leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d\left(x_{n+1}, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 &\leq \delta_n d\left(u, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 + (1 - \delta_n) d\left(U_n x_n, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 - \delta_n (1 - \delta_n) d(u, U_n x_n)^2 \\ &= (1 - \delta_n) d\left(x_n, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right)^2 + \delta_n \gamma_n. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 2.4, we get  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d\left(x_n, P_{\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(T_k)} u\right) = 0$ . Consequently, we get the desired result.  $\square$

#### 4. New type of the projection method

In this section, we propose *the combining projection method of balanced type* and prove a strong convergence theorem using Theorem 3.5.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $X$  be a Hadamard space. Let  $T$  a nonexpansive mapping of  $X$  into itself such that  $\mathcal{F}(T)$  is nonempty,  $\{\alpha_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset [0, 1]$ ,  $\{\beta_n^k \mid n, k \in \mathbb{N}, k \leq n\} \subset [0, 1]$  such that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \beta_n^k = 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $\{\delta_n \mid n \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset [0, 1]$ . Define sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  of  $X$ , a sequence  $\{C_n\}$  of subset of  $X$ , and mappings  $\{U_n\}$  by  $u \in X$ ,  $x_1 \in X$  and

$$\begin{aligned} y_n &= \alpha_n x_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n; \\ C_n &= \{z \in X \mid d(y_n, z) \leq d(x_n, z)\}; \\ U_n x_n &= \operatorname{Argmin}_{y \in X} \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_n^k d(P_{C_k} x_n, y)^2; \\ x_{n+1} &= \delta_n u \oplus (1 - \delta_n)U_n x_n \end{aligned}$$

for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $P_K$  is the metric projection of  $X$  onto a nonempty closed convex subset  $K$  of  $X$ . Suppose the following conditions hold:

- (a)  $\{z \in X \mid d(z, v) \leq d(z, v')\}$  is convex for all  $v, v' \in X$ ;
- (b)  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n < 1$ ;
- (c)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n^k > 0$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^n |\beta_{n+1}^k - \beta_n^k| < \infty$ ;
- (d)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n = \infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\delta_{n+1} - \delta_n| < \infty$ .

Then,  $\{x_n\}$  is convergent to  $P_{\mathcal{F}(T)}u$ .

*Proof.* Let  $z \in \mathcal{F}(T)$ . Since  $T$  is nonexpansive, we get

$$d(y_n, z) \leq \alpha_n d(x_n, z) + (1 - \alpha_n)d(Tx_n, z) \leq d(x_n, z)$$

and hence  $\mathcal{F}(T) \subset C_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $C_n$  is a nonempty closed convex set, the metric projection  $P_{C_n}$  is well-defined for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we get

$$\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(P_{C_k}) = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} C_k \supset \mathcal{F}(T) \neq \emptyset.$$

Since  $P_{C_k}$  is nonexpansive for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , we obtain  $U_n$  is nonexpansive. By Theorem 3.5, we get  $x_n \rightarrow P_{\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n}u$ . Put  $x_0 = P_{\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n}u$ . Since  $x_0 \in \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n$ , letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $y_n \rightarrow x_0$ . By (b), there exists a subsequence  $\{\alpha_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{\alpha_n\}$  such that  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_{n_i} \in [0, 1[$ . Then, we get

$$d(x_{n_i}, Tx_{n_i}) = \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_{n_i}} d(x_{n_i}, y_{n_i}) \leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha_{n_i}} (d(x_{n_i}, x_0) + d(x_0, y_{n_i})).$$

Letting  $i \rightarrow \infty$ , we get  $\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} d(x_{n_i}, Tx_{n_i}) = 0$ . Further, we get

$$d(x_0, Tx_0) \leq d(x_0, x_{n_i}) + d(x_{n_i}, Tx_{n_i}) + d(Tx_{n_i}, Tx_0)$$

and hence  $x_0 \in \mathcal{F}(T)$ . Therefore we get  $x_n \rightarrow P_{\mathcal{F}(T)}u$  and complete the proof.  $\square$

If we consider Theorem 1.2 with  $N = 1$ , we obtain a convergence theorem for a single mapping. This result is a special case of Theorem 4.1.

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