



Strong Convergence for Generalized Multiple-Set Split Feasibility Problem

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Abstract. In this paper we introduce a new algorithm based on viscosity approximation method for solving the generalized multiple-set split feasibility problem (GMSSFP) in an infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces. We establish the strong convergence for the algorithm to find a unique solution of the variational inequality which is the optimality condition for the minimization problem.

1. Introduction

The problem of finding a point in the intersection of closed and convex subsets of a Hilbert space is a frequently appearing problem in diverse areas of mathematics and physical sciences. This problem is commonly referred to as the convex feasibility problem (CFP). There is a considerable investigation on (CFP) in the framework of Hilbert spaces which captures applications in various disciplines such as image restoration, computer tomograph and radiation therapy treatment planning [11].

Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} be real Hilbert spaces, $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$, be a bounded linear operator and let $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^p$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{H} and $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^r$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{K} . The multiple-set split feasibility problem (MSSFP) was recently introduced in [?] and is formulated as finding a point x^* with the property:

$$x^* \in \bigcap_{i=1}^p C_i \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A}x^* \in \bigcap_{i=1}^r Q_i.$$

The multiple-set split feasibility problem with $p = r = 1$ is known as the split feasibility problem (SEP) which is formulated as finding a point x^* with the property:

$$x^* \in C \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A}x^* \in Q,$$

where C and Q are nonempty closed convex subsets of \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} , respectively.

In 1994, the SFP was first introduced by Censor and Elfving [7], in finite-dimensional Hilbert spaces, for modeling inverse problems which arise from phase retrievals and in medical image reconstruction. A

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number of image reconstruction problems can be formulated as the SFP; see, e.g., [3] and the references therein. Recently, it has been found that the SFP can also be applied to study intensity-modulated radiation therapy; see, e.g., [6, 8, 10] and the references therein. In the recent past, a wide variety of iterative methods have been used in signal processing and image reconstruction and for solving the SFP and MSSFP; see, e.g., [1-19] and the references therein.

The original algorithm given in [7] involves the computation of the inverse A^{-1} (assuming the existence of the inverse of A) and thus has not become popular. A seemingly more popular algorithm that solves the SFP is the CQ algorithm of Byrne [2, 3] which is found to be a gradient-projection method (GPM) in convex minimization. It is also a special case of the proximal forward-backward splitting method [12]. The CQ algorithm starts with any $x_1 \in \mathcal{H}$ and generates a sequence $\{x_n\}$ through the iteration

$$x_{n+1} = P_C(I - \lambda \mathcal{A}^*(I - P_Q)\mathcal{A})x_n$$

where $\lambda \in (0, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}\|^2})$, \mathcal{A}^* is the adjoint of \mathcal{A} , P_C and P_Q are the metric projections onto C and Q respectively.

Very recently, Xu [22] gave a continuation of the study on the CQ algorithm and its convergence. Xu [22] transformed SFP to the fixed point problem of the operator $P_C(I - \lambda \mathcal{A}^*(I - P_Q)\mathcal{A})$ and shown that a point x^* solves SFP if and only if $x^* = P_C(I - \lambda \mathcal{A}^*(I - P_Q)\mathcal{A})x^*$. He applied Mann’s algorithm to the SFP and proposed an averaged CQ algorithm which was proved to be weakly convergent to a solution of the SFP. Xu [22] also proposed the regularized method

$$x_{n+1} = P_C(I - \lambda_n(\mathcal{A}^*(I - P_Q)\mathcal{A} + \alpha_n I))x_n$$

and proved that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to a minimum norm solution of SFP(1) provided the parameters $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{\lambda_n\}$ verify some suitable conditions. Further recent work also appeared in literature, see, for example [5, 9, 16]. In [20], Wang and Xu gave a Cyclic algorithm to solve MSSFP:

$$x_{n+1} = P_{C[n]}(x_n + \gamma \mathcal{A}^*(P_{Q[n]} - I)\mathcal{A}x_n),$$

where $[n] := n(\text{mod } p)$, (mod function take values in $\{1, 2, \dots, p\}$), and $\gamma \in (0, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}\|^2})$. They show that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ convergence weakly to a solution of MSSFP whenever its solution set in nonempty. Now we consider the multiple-set split feasibility problem for a finite family of operators:

Definition 1.1. Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} be real Hilbert spaces, $\mathcal{A}_k : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$, ($k = 1, 2, \dots, m$) be a family of bounded linear operators and let $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^p$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{H} and $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^r$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{K} . Generalized multiple-set split feasibility problem (GMSSFP) is to find a point x^* such that

$$x^* \in \bigcap_{i=1}^p C_i \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{A}_k x^* \in \bigcap_{i=1}^r Q_i, \quad k=1,2,\dots,m. \tag{1}$$

We denote Ω the solution set of GMSSFP.

In this paper we introduce a new algorithm based on viscosity approximation method for solving the generalized multiple-set split feasibility problem (GMSSFP) in an infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces. We establish the strong convergence for the algorithm to find a unique solution of the variational inequality which is the optimality condition for the minimization problem.

2. Preliminaries

We use the following notion in the sequel:

- \rightharpoonup for weak convergence and \rightarrow for strong convergence.

It is known that a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} satisfies Opial’s condition, i.e., for any sequence $\{x_n\}$ with $x_n \rightharpoonup x$, the inequality

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y\|$$

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

Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space \mathcal{H} . Recall that the nearest point or metric projection from \mathcal{H} onto C , denoted P_C , assigns, to each $x \in \mathcal{H}$, the unique point $P_Cx \in C$ with the property

$$\|x - P_Cx\| = \inf\{\|x - y\| \mid y \in C\}.$$

Recall that a mapping $T : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ is called nonexpansive if

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}.$$

It is well known that the metric projection P_C of \mathcal{H} onto C has the following basic properties: • P_C is a nonexpansive,

• $\langle y - P_C(x), x - P_C(x) \rangle \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{H}, y \in C.$

Definition 2.1. A bounded linear operator \mathcal{B} on \mathcal{H} is called strongly positive if there exists $\bar{\gamma} > 0$ such that

$$\langle \mathcal{B}x, x \rangle \geq \bar{\gamma}\|x\|^2, \quad (x \in \mathcal{H}).$$

For a nonexpansive mapping T from a nonempty subset C of \mathcal{H} into itself a typical problem is to minimize the quadratic function

$$\min_{x \in F(T)} \frac{1}{2} \langle \mathcal{B}x, x \rangle - \langle x, b \rangle, \tag{2}$$

over the set of all fixed points $F(T)$ of T (see [18]).

Lemma 2.2. ([18]). Let \mathcal{B} be a self-adjoint strongly positive bounded linear operator on a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} with coefficient $\bar{\gamma} > 0$ and $0 < \rho \leq \|\mathcal{B}\|^{-1}$. Then $\|I - \rho\mathcal{B}\| \leq 1 - \rho\bar{\gamma}$.

Lemma 2.3. [14] Let \mathcal{H} be a Hilbert space and $x_i \in \mathcal{H}$, ($1 \leq i \leq m$). Then for any given $\{\lambda_i\}_{i=1}^m \subset (0, 1)$ with $\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i = 1$ and for any positive integer k, j with $1 \leq k < j \leq m$,

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i x_i \right\|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \|x_i\|^2 - \lambda_k \lambda_j \|x_k - x_j\|^2.$$

Lemma 2.4. [21] Assume that $\{a_n\}$ is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers such that

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

where $\{\vartheta_n\}$ is a sequence in $(0, 1)$ and $\{\delta_n\}$ is a sequence in \mathbb{R} such that

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

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

Lemma 2.5. ([17]) Let $\{t_n\}$ be a sequence of real numbers such that there exists a subsequence $\{n_i\}$ of $\{n\}$ such that $t_{n_i} < t_{n_i+1}$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$. Then there exists a nondecreasing sequence $\{\tau(n)\} \subset \mathbb{N}$ such that $\tau(n) \rightarrow \infty$ and the following properties are satisfied by all (sufficiently large) numbers $n \in \mathbb{N}$:

$$t_{\tau(n)} \leq t_{\tau(n)+1}, \quad t_n \leq t_{\tau(n)+1}.$$

In fact

$$\tau(n) = \max\{k \leq n : t_k < t_{k+1}\}.$$

3. The Results

In this section we introduce our algorithm for solving GMSSFP (1).

Theorem 3.1. *Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} be real Hilbert spaces, $\mathcal{A}_k : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}, k = 1, 2$ be two bounded linear operator and let $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^r$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{H} and $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^r$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{K} . Assume that GMSSFP has a nonempty solution set Ω . Suppose h be a contraction of \mathcal{H} into itself with constant $b \in (0, 1)$ and \mathcal{B} be a strongly positive bounded linear self-adjoint operator on \mathcal{H} with coefficient $\bar{\gamma}$ and $0 < \gamma < \frac{\bar{\gamma}}{b}$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence generated by $x_0 \in \mathcal{H}$ and by*

$$\begin{cases} y_n = \alpha_n x_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \theta_n \gamma h(x_n) + (I - \theta_n \mathcal{B})y_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \end{cases} \tag{3}$$

where $\alpha_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} = 1$ and the sequences $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_{n,i}\}, \{\gamma_{n,i}\}, \{\theta_n\}$ and $\{\lambda_{n,i}\}$ satisfy the following conditions:

- (i) $\liminf_n \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} > 0$ and $\liminf_n \alpha_n \gamma_{n,i} > 0$, for each $1 \leq i \leq r$,
- (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_n = 0$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \theta_n = \infty$,
- (iii) for each $1 \leq i \leq r, 0 < \lambda_{n,i} < \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\}$ and

$$0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{n,i} \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{n,i} < \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\}.$$

Then, the sequences $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to $x^* \in \Omega$ which solves the variational inequality;

$$\langle (\mathcal{B} - \gamma h)x^*, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in \Omega. \tag{4}$$

Proof. First, we note that the solution set Ω is closed and convex. Indeed, since $0 < \lambda_{n,i} < \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\}$ we have the operators $P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)$ and $P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)$ are nonexpansive (see [22] for details). Note that a point x^* solves GMSSFP if and only if $x^* = P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x^*$ for all $1 \leq i \leq r$ and $k = 1, 2$. Now since the fixed point set of nonexpansive operators is closed and convex, the solution set Ω is closed and convex. So the projection onto the solution set Ω is well defined whenever $\Omega \neq \emptyset$. Next, we assert that $P_{\Omega}(I - \mathcal{B} + \gamma h)$ is a contraction from \mathcal{H} into itself. As a matter of fact, for any $x, y \in \mathcal{H}$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|P_{\Omega}(I - \mathcal{B} + \gamma h)(x) - P_{\Omega}(I - \mathcal{B} + \gamma h)(y)\| &\leq \|(I - \mathcal{B} + \gamma h)(x) - (I - \mathcal{B} + \gamma h)(y)\| \\ &\leq \|(I - \mathcal{B})x - (I - \mathcal{B})y\| + \gamma \|hx - hy\| \\ &\leq (1 - \bar{\gamma})\|x - y\| + \gamma b\|x - y\| \\ &\leq (1 - (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b))\|x - y\|. \end{aligned}$$

So, by the Banach contraction principle there exists a unique element $x^* \in \mathcal{H}$ such that $x^* = P_{\Omega}(I - \mathcal{B} + \gamma h)x^*$. Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_n = 0$, we can assume that $\theta_n \in (0, \|\mathcal{B}\|^{-1})$, for all $n \geq 0$. By Lemma 2.2 we have $\|I - \theta_n \mathcal{B}\| \leq 1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma}$. Now, we show that $\{x_n\}$ is bounded. In fact, using the nonexpansive property of the operators $P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_n - x^*\| &= \|\alpha_n x_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x^*\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|x_n - x^*\| + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x^*\| \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x^*\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|x_n - x^*\| + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} \|x_n - x^*\| + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} \|x_n - x^*\| \\ &= \|x_n - x^*\|, \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| &= \|\theta_n(\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*) + (I - \theta_n \mathcal{B})(y_n - x^*)\| \\
 &\leq \theta_n \|\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*\| + \|I - \theta_n \mathcal{B}\| \|y_n - x^*\| \\
 &\leq \theta_n \|\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*\| + (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma}) \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &\leq \theta_n \gamma \|h(x_n) - hx^*\| + \theta_n \|\gamma hx^* - \mathcal{B}x^*\| + (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma}) \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &\leq \theta_n \gamma b \|x_n - x^*\| + \theta_n \|\gamma hx^* - \mathcal{B}x^*\| + (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma}) \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &\leq (1 - \theta_n (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b)) \|x_n - x^*\| + \theta_n \|\gamma hz - \mathcal{B}z\| \\
 &= (1 - \theta_n (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b)) \|x_n - x^*\| + \theta_n (\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b) \frac{\|\gamma hx^* - \mathcal{B}x^*\|}{\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b} \\
 &\leq \max\{\|x_n - x^*\|, \frac{\|\gamma hx^* - \mathcal{B}x^*\|}{\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b}\} \\
 &\vdots \\
 &\leq \max\{\|x_0 - x^*\|, \frac{\|\gamma hx^* - \mathcal{B}x^*\|}{\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b}\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

This indicates that $\{x_n\}$ is bounded. It is easily to deduce that $\{y_n\}$ and $\{h(x_n)\}$ are also bounded. Next, we show that for each $1 \leq i \leq r$ and $k = 1, 2$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n - x_n\| = 0.$$

Applying Lemma 2.3, we get that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|y_n - x^*\|^2 &= \|\alpha_n x_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x^*\|^2 \\
 &\leq \alpha_n \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x^*\|^2 \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x^*\|^2 \\
 &\quad - \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x_n\|^2 \\
 &\quad - \alpha_n \gamma_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x_n\|^2 \\
 &\leq \alpha_n \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} \|x_n - x^*\|^2 \\
 &\quad - \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x_n\|^2 \\
 &\quad - \alpha_n \gamma_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x_n\|^2 \\
 &= \|x_n - x^*\|^2 - \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x_n\|^2 \\
 &\quad - \alpha_n \gamma_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x_n\|^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &= \|\theta_n(\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*) + (I - \theta_n \mathcal{B})(y_n - x^*)\|^2 \\
 &\leq \theta_n^2 \|\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*\|^2 + (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 \|y_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\theta_n(1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma}) \|\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*\| \|y_n - x^*\| \\
 &\leq \theta_n^2 \|\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*\|^2 + (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\theta_n(1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma}) \|\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*\| \|x_n - x^*\| \\
 &\quad - (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x_n\|^2 \\
 &\quad - (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 \alpha_n \gamma_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x_n\|^2,
 \end{aligned}$$

which hence implies that

$$(1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x_n\|^2 \leq \|x_n - x^*\|^2 - \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + 2\theta_n(1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma}) \|\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*\| \|x_n - x^*\| + \theta_n^2 \|\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*\|^2. \quad (5)$$

We finally analyze the inequality (5) by considering the following two cases.

Case 1. Assume that $\{\|x_n - x^*\|\}$ is a monotone sequence. In other words, for n_0 large enough, $\{\|x_n - x^*\|\}_{n \geq n_0}$ is either nondecreasing or nonincreasing. Since $\{\|x_n - x^*\|\}$ is bounded, it is convergent. Since $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_n = 0$ and $\{h(x_n)\}$ and $\{x_n\}$ are bounded, from (5) we deduce

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x_n\|^2 = 0.$$

By our assumption that $\liminf_n \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} > 0$, we get that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1)x_n - x_n\| = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq r. \quad (6)$$

By similar argument we can obtain that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_2)x_n - x_n\| = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq r. \quad (7)$$

Next, we show that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle (\mathcal{B} - \gamma h)x^*, x^* - x_n \rangle \leq 0.$$

To show this inequality, We can choose a subsequence $\{x_{n_i}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that

$$\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \langle (\mathcal{B} - \gamma h)x^*, x^* - x_{n_i} \rangle = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle (\mathcal{B} - \gamma h)x^*, x^* - x_n \rangle.$$

Since $\{x_{n_i}\}$ is bounded, there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_j}\}$ of $\{x_{n_i}\}$ which converges weakly to z . Without loss of generality, we can assume that $x_{n_j} \rightarrow z$ and $\lambda_{n_j,i} \rightarrow \lambda_i \in (0, \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\})$ for each $1 \leq i \leq r$. From (7) for $k = 1, 2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n - x_n\| &\leq \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n - P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n\| \\ &\quad + \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n - x_n\| \\ &\leq \|(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n - (I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n\| \\ &\quad + \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n - x_n\| \\ &\leq |\lambda_i - \lambda_{n,i}| \|\mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k\| \|x_n\| \\ &\quad + \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_n - x_n\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Notice that, since $\lambda_i \in (0, \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\})$ we have $P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)$ is nonexpansive. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n_j} - P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)z\| &\leq \|x_{n_j} - P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_{n_j}\| \\ &\quad + \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_{n_j} - P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)z\| \\ &\leq \|x_{n_j} - P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)x_{n_j}\| + \|x_{n_j} - z\|. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)z\| \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - z\|.$$

By the Opial property of the Hilbert space \mathcal{H} we obtain that $P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_i \mathcal{A}_k^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_k)z = z$, for all $1 \leq i \leq r$ and $k = 1, 2$, hence $z \in \Omega$. Since $x^* = P_{\Omega}(I - \mathcal{B} + \gamma h)x^*$ and $z \in \Omega$, we have

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle (\mathcal{B} - \gamma h)x^*, x^* - x_n \rangle = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \langle (\mathcal{B} - \gamma h)x^*, x^* - x_{n_j} \rangle = \langle (\mathcal{B} - \gamma h)x^*, x^* - z \rangle \leq 0.$$

It is known that in a Hilbert space \mathcal{H}

$$\|x + y\|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 + 2\langle y, x + y \rangle, \quad \forall x, y \in \mathcal{H}.$$

From this and since

$$x_{n+1} - x^* = \theta_n(\gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*) + (I - \theta_n \mathcal{B})(y_n - x^*),$$

we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq \|(I - \theta_n \mathcal{B})(y_n - x^*)\|^2 + 2\theta_n \langle \gamma h(x_n) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &\leq (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\theta_n \gamma \langle h(x_n) - h(x^*), x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &\quad + 2\theta_n \langle \gamma h(x^*) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &\leq (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\theta_n b \gamma \|x_n - x^*\| \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| \\ &\quad + 2\theta_n \langle \gamma h(x^*) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &\leq (1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \theta_n b \gamma (\|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2) \\ &\quad + 2\theta_n \langle \gamma h(x^*) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &\leq ((1 - \theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 + \theta_n b \gamma) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \theta_n \gamma b \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \\ &\quad + 2\theta_n \langle \gamma h(x^*) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq \frac{1 - 2\theta_n \bar{\gamma} + (\theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 + \theta_n \gamma b}{1 - \theta_n \gamma b} \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \frac{2\theta_n}{1 - \theta_n \gamma b} \langle \gamma h(x^*) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &= (1 - \frac{2(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b)\theta_n}{1 - \theta_n \gamma b}) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \frac{(\theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2}{1 - \theta_n \gamma b} \|x_n - x^*\|^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{2\theta_n}{1 - \theta_n \gamma b} \langle \gamma h(x^*) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\ &\leq (1 - \frac{2(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b)\theta_n}{1 - \theta_n \gamma b}) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \frac{2(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b)\theta_n}{1 - \theta_n \gamma b} (\frac{(\theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 L}{2(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b)} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b} \langle \gamma h(x^*) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle) \\ &= (1 - \vartheta_n) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \vartheta_n \delta_n, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$L = \sup\{\|x_n - x^*\|^2 : n \geq 0\}, \quad \vartheta_n = \frac{2(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b)\theta_n}{1 - \theta_n \gamma b},$$

and

$$\delta_n = \frac{(\theta_n \bar{\gamma})^2 L}{2(\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b)} + \frac{1}{\bar{\gamma} - \gamma b} \langle \gamma h(x^*) - \mathcal{B}x^*, x_{n+1} - x^* \rangle.$$

It is easy to see that $\vartheta_n \rightarrow 0$, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \vartheta_n = \infty$ and $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_n \leq 0$. Hence, all conditions of Lemma 2.4 are satisfied. Therefore, we immediately deduce that $x_n \rightarrow x^*$.

Case 2. Assume that $\{\|x_n - x^*\|\}$ is not a monotone sequence. Then, we can define an integer sequence $\{\tau(n)\}$ for all $n \geq n_0$ (for some n_0 large enough) by

$$\tau(n) := \max\{k \in \mathbb{N}; k \leq n : \|x_k - x^*\| < \|x_{k+1} - x^*\|\}.$$

Clearly, τ is a nondecreasing sequence such that $\tau(n) \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and for all $n \geq n_0$,

$$\|x_{\tau(n)} - x^*\| \leq \|x_{\tau(n)+1} - x^*\|.$$

From (5) we obtain that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{\tau(n), i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}_1) x_{\tau(n)} - x_{\tau(n)}\| = 0, \quad 1 \leq i \leq r. \tag{8}$$

Following an argument similar to that in Case 1 we have

$$\|x_{\tau(n)+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq (1 - \vartheta_{\tau(n)})\|x_{\tau(n)} - x^*\|^2 + \vartheta_{\tau(n)}\delta_{\tau(n)},$$

where $\vartheta_{\tau(n)} \rightarrow 0$, $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \vartheta_{\tau(n)} = \infty$ and $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{\tau(n)} \leq 0$. Hence, by Lemma 2.4, we obtain $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{\tau(n)} - x^*\| = 0$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{\tau(n)+1} - x^*\| = 0$. Now Lemma 2.5 implies

$$0 \leq \|x_n - x^*\| \leq \max\{\|x_{\tau(n)} - x^*\|, \|x_n - x^*\|\} \leq \|x_{\tau(n)+1} - x^*\|.$$

Therefore $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to $x^* = P_{\Omega}(I - \mathcal{B} + \gamma h)x^*$. This complete the proof. \square

Setting $\mathcal{B} = I$ and $\gamma = 1$ in Theorem 3.1 we obtain the following result.

Theorem 3.2. Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} be real Hilbert spaces, $\mathcal{A}_k : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}, k = 1, 2$ be two bounded linear operator and let $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^r$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{H} and $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^r$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{K} . Assume that GMSSFP has a nonempty solution set Ω . Suppose h be a contraction of \mathcal{H} into itself with constant $b \in (0, 1)$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence generated by $x_0 \in \mathcal{H}$ and by

$$\begin{cases} y_n = \alpha_n x_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_{Q_i})\mathcal{A}_1)x_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} P_{C_i}(I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_{Q_i})\mathcal{A}_2)x_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \theta_n h(x_n) + (1 - \theta_n)y_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \end{cases}$$

where $\alpha_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} + \sum_{i=1}^r \gamma_{n,i} = 1$ and the sequences $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_{n,i}\}, \{\gamma_{n,i}\}, \{\theta_n\}$ and $\{\lambda_{n,i}\}$ satisfy the following conditions:

- (i) $\liminf_n \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} > 0$ and $\liminf_n \alpha_n \gamma_{n,i} > 0$, for each $1 \leq i \leq r$,
- (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_n = 0$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \theta_n = \infty$,
- (iii) for each $1 \leq i \leq r, 0 < \lambda_{n,i} < \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\}$ and

$$0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{n,i} \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{n,i} < \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\}.$$

Then, the sequences $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to $x^* \in \Omega$ which solves the variational inequality;

$$\langle (x^* - hx^*), x - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in \Omega.$$

Putting $f(x) = u$ and similar argument as in Theorem 3.1, we can obtain the following result.

Theorem 3.3. Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} be real Hilbert spaces, $\mathcal{A}_k : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}, k = 1, 2$ be two bounded linear operator and let C be a nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{H} and Q be a nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{K} . Assume that GSFP has a nonempty solution set Ω . Let $u \in \mathcal{H}$ and $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence generated by $x_0 \in C$ and by

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n + \beta_n u + \gamma_n P_C(I - \lambda_n \mathcal{A}_1^*(I - P_Q)\mathcal{A}_1)x_n + \theta_n P_C(I - \lambda_n \mathcal{A}_2^*(I - P_Q)\mathcal{A}_2)x_n,$$

where $\alpha_n + \beta_n + \gamma_n + \theta_n = 1$ and the sequences $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\}, \{\gamma_n\}, \{\theta_n\}$ and $\{\lambda_n\}$ satisfy the following conditions:

- (i) $\liminf_n \alpha_n \theta_n > 0$ and $\liminf_n \alpha_n \gamma_n > 0$,
- (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n = 0$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \beta_n = \infty$,
- (iii) $0 < \lambda_n < \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\}$ and $0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n < \min\{\frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_1\|^2}, \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}_2\|^2}\}$.

Then, the sequences $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to $P_{\Omega}u$.

When the point u in the above theorem is taken to be 0, we see that the limit point x^* of the sequence $\{x_n\}$ is the unique minimum norm solution of GSFP, that is,

$$\|x^*\| = \min\{\|x\| : x \in \Omega\}$$

Corollary 3.4. Let \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{K} be real Hilbert spaces, $\mathcal{A} : \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{K}$ be a bounded linear operator and let $\{C_i\}_{i=1}^r$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{H} and $\{Q_i\}_{i=1}^r$ be a family of nonempty closed convex subsets in \mathcal{K} . Assume that MSSFP has a nonempty solution set Ω . Suppose h be a contraction of \mathcal{H} into itself with constant $b \in (0, 1)$ and \mathcal{B} be a strongly positive bounded linear self-adjoint operator on \mathcal{H} with coefficient $\bar{\gamma}$ and $0 < \gamma < \frac{\bar{\gamma}}{b}$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence generated by $x_0 \in \mathcal{H}$ and by

$$\begin{cases} y_n = \alpha_n x_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} P_{C_i} (I - \lambda_{n,i} \mathcal{A}^* (I - P_{Q_i}) \mathcal{A}) x_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \theta_n \gamma h(x_n) + (I - \theta_n \mathcal{B}) y_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \end{cases}$$

where $\alpha_n + \sum_{i=1}^r \beta_{n,i} = 1$ and the sequences $\{\alpha_n\}$, $\{\beta_{n,i}\}$, $\{\theta_n\}$ and $\{\lambda_{n,i}\}$ satisfy the following conditions:

- (i) $\liminf_n \alpha_n \beta_{n,i} > 0$,
- (ii) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \theta_n = 0$ and $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \theta_n = \infty$,
- (iii) for each $1 \leq i \leq r$, $0 < \lambda_{n,i} < \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}\|^2}$ and $0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{n,i} \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_{n,i} < \frac{2}{\|\mathcal{A}\|^2}$.

Then, the sequences $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to $x^* \in \Omega$ which solves the variational inequality;

$$\langle (\mathcal{B} - \gamma h)x^*, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall x \in \Omega.$$

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