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On some Mann's type iterative algorithms

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Abstract

First we present some interesting variants of Mann's method. In the last section, we show that many existing results in the literature are concrete realizations of our general scheme under varying assumptions on the coefficients.

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1 Some results on very small variation of Mann's method

Let H be a real Hilbert space, $(\alpha_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset (0, \alpha] \subset (0, 1)$ and $(\beta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, (\mu_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset (0, 1]$. In the sequel, we will use the following notation:

- We say that $\zeta_n = o(\eta_n)$ if $\frac{\zeta_n}{\eta_n} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- We say that $\zeta_n = O(\eta_n)$ if there exist $K, N > 0$ such that $N \leq |\frac{\zeta_n}{\eta_n}| \leq K$.

Iterative schemes to approximate fixed points of nonlinear mappings have a long history and they still are an active research area of the nonlinear operator theory.

Here we are interested in the Mann iterative method introduced by Mann [1] in 1953. The method generates a sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ via the recursive formula

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T x_n, \quad (1.1)$$

where the coefficients sequence $(\alpha_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is in the real interval $[0, 1]$, T is a self-mapping of a closed and convex subset of C of a real Hilbert space H , and the value $x_0 \in C$ is chosen arbitrarily.

Mann's method has been studied in the literature chiefly for nonexpansive mappings T (i.e., $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$ for all $x, y \in C$). Due to Reich [2] it is known that if T is nonexpansive and $\sum_n \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) = +\infty$, then the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ generated by Mann's algorithm (1.1) converges weakly to a fixed point of T . Thanks to the celebrated counterexample of Genel and Linderstrauss [3], we know that Mann's algorithm fails, in general, to converge strongly also in the setting of a Hilbert space.

In order to ensure strong convergence, in the past years, the method has been modified in several directions: by Ishikawa [4] using a double convex-combination, by Halpern [5] using an anchor, by Moudafi [6] using a contraction mapping, by Nakajo and Takahashi [7] using projections. These are just a few (but extremely relevant) of such modifications.

In this section we propose a variation of Mann's method (Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.3) which differs from all those present in the literature, and it is closest to the original method (1.1). Moreover, we give several corollaries that are concrete and meaningful applications.

In the next section we see that the proof of all these results can be obtained by a very general two-step iterative algorithm. In the last section we give the proof of our main theorem and compare the rate of convergence of our method with that of Halpern on a specific case.

To our knowledge, Theorem 1.1 below provides a method that is *almost* the Mann method but ensures strong convergence.

Theorem 1.1 *Let $\alpha_n, \mu_n \in (0, 1]$ such that*

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_n \mu_n = \infty;$
- $|\mu_{n-1} - \mu_n| = o(\mu_n),$ and $|\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n).$

Then the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ generated by

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n - \alpha_n \mu_n x_n$$

strongly converges to a point $x^ \in \text{Fix}(T)$ with minimum norm $\|x^*\| = \min_{x \in \text{Fix}(T)} \|x\|.$*

Taking $\mu_n = 1$ we obtain the following.

Corollary 1.2 *Let $\alpha_n \in (0, 1]$ such that*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \quad \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_n = \infty, \quad |\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n| = o(\alpha_n).$$

Then the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ generated by

$$x_{n+1} = (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n$$

strongly converges to a point $x^ \in \text{Fix}(T)$ with minimum norm $\|x^*\| = \min_{x \in \text{Fix}(T)} \|x\|.$*

We can see x^* as the point in $\text{Fix}(T)$ nearest to $0 \in H$. If we search for the point in $\text{Fix}(T)$ nearest to an arbitrary $u \in H$, then we have the following theorem.

Theorem 1.3 *Under the same assumptions on the coefficients α_n, μ_n of Theorem 1.1, the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ generated by*

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n + \alpha_n \mu_n (u - x_n)$$

strongly converges to a point $x_u^ \in \text{Fix}(T)$ nearest to $u, \|x_u^* - u\| = \min_{x \in \text{Fix}(T)} \|x - u\|.$*

Taking again $\mu_n = 1$, we obtain the following.

Corollary 1.4 (Halpern’s method) *Under the same assumptions on the coefficients α_n of Corollary 1.2, the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ generated by*

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n u + (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n$$

strongly converges to a point $x_u^ \in \text{Fix}(T)$ nearest to $u, \|x_u^* - u\| = \min_{x \in \text{Fix}(T)} \|x - u\|$ too.*

If A is a δ -inverse strongly monotone operator with $A^{-1}(0) \neq \emptyset$, then $(I - \delta A)$ is nonexpansive [8, p.419] with fixed points $\text{Fix}(I - \delta A) = A^{-1}(0)$. By Theorem 1.3 with $T = (I - \delta A)$, we have the following.

Corollary 1.5 *Under the same assumptions on the coefficients α_n, μ_n of Theorem 1.3, the sequence $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ generated by*

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)(I - \delta A)x_n + \alpha_n \mu_n (u - x_n)$$

strongly converges to a point $x_{A,u}^ \in A^{-1}(0)$ nearest to u , $\|x_{A,u}^* - u\| = \min_{x \in A^{-1}(0)} \|x - u\|$.*

The first interesting example of a monotone δ -inverse strongly monotone operator with $A^{-1}(0) \neq \emptyset$ is the gradient of a convex function. Precisely, let $\phi : H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a convex and Fréchet differentiable function. Let us suppose that $\nabla\phi(x)$ is an L -Lipschitzian mapping. We are interested in approximate solutions of the variational inequality (in the sequel (VIP))

$$\langle \nabla\phi(x^*), y - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in H, \tag{1.2}$$

since it is the optimality condition for the minimum problem

$$\min_{x \in H} \phi(x).$$

In our hypotheses, $\nabla\phi(x)$ is a $\frac{1}{L}$ -inverse strongly monotone operator. Then the mapping $(I - \frac{1}{L}\nabla\phi)$ is nonexpansive, and it results that the following can be obtained by Corollary 1.5.

Corollary 1.6 *Let $\text{Fix}((I - \frac{1}{L}\nabla\phi)) \neq \emptyset$ and $u \in H$. Let us suppose that*

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_n \mu_n = \infty$;
- $|\mu_{n-1} - \mu_n| = o(\mu_n)$, and $|\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n)$.

Then the sequence generated by the iteration

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) \left(I - \frac{1}{L} \nabla\phi \right) x_n + \alpha_n \mu_n (u - x_n), \quad n \geq 1 \tag{1.3}$$

strongly converges to $x^ \in \text{Fix}((I - \frac{1}{L}\nabla\phi))$ that is the unique solution of the variational inequality*

$$\langle x^* - u, y - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in \text{Fix}(S), \tag{1.4}$$

i.e., x^ is the solution of (1.2) nearest to u .*

A further interesting result concerns a Tikhonov regularized-constrained least squares defined as follows:

$$\min_{x \in C} \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \varepsilon \|x\|^2, \quad \text{where } \varepsilon > 0, \tag{1.5}$$

that aims the (ill-posed) constrained least squares problem

$$\min_{x \in C} \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - b\|^2, \tag{1.6}$$

where $C = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(T_n)$, A is a linear and bounded operator on H , $b \in H$ and $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are nonexpansive satisfying the following:

- (h1) $T_n : H \rightarrow H$ are nonexpansive mappings, uniformly asymptotically regular on bounded subsets $B \subset H$, i.e.,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in B} \|T_{n+1}x - T_nx\| = 0;$$

- (h2) it is possible to define a *nonexpansive* mapping $T : H \rightarrow H$ with $Tx := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_nx$ such that if $F := \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(T_n) \neq \emptyset$, then $\text{Fix}(T) = F$.

Reich and Xu in [9] proved, among others, that the unique solution of (1.5) strongly converges, when $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$, to the solution of (1.6) that has minimum norm. The optimality condition to solve (1.5) is to solve the following variational inequality:

$$\langle A^*Ax - A^*b + \varepsilon x, y - x \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(T_n), \tag{1.7}$$

where A^* is the adjoint of A .

In light of Reich and Xu’s results, it would be interesting to approximate a solution of (1.7) (for small ε).

Let $B := A^*A - A^*b$. Note that since B is firmly nonexpansive, i.e., 1-inverse strongly monotone so $I - B$ is firmly nonexpansive [10], hence nonexpansive. We are able to prove the following results.

Theorem 1.7 *Assume that*

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_n \mu_n = \infty;$
- $|\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| = o(\alpha_n \beta_n \mu_n), |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| = o(\alpha_n \beta_n \mu_n)$ and $|\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| = o(\alpha_n \beta_n \mu_n);$
- $|\frac{1}{\beta_n} - \frac{1}{\beta_{n-1}}| = O(\alpha_n \mu_n).$

Let us suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = \tau \in (0, +\infty).$

(These hypotheses are satisfied, for instance, by $\alpha_n = \mu_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{n}}, \beta_n = \frac{2}{\sqrt{n}}, n \geq 1.$)

Then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ defined by (2.1), i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} y_n = \beta_n(I - A^*A)x_n + (1 - \beta_n)x_n + \beta_n A^*b, \\ x_{n+1} = \alpha_n(1 - \mu_n)x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)T_n y_n, \end{cases} \quad n \geq 1 \tag{1.8}$$

strongly converges to $\tilde{x} \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(T_n)$ that is the unique solution of the variational inequality

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\tau} D\tilde{x} + (I - S)\tilde{x}, y - \tilde{x} \right\rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(T_n), \tag{1.9}$$

i.e.,

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\tau} \tilde{x} + A^*A\tilde{x} - A^*b, y - \tilde{x} \right\rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(T_n).$$

Note that we do not assume any hypotheses on the commutativity of the mappings in spite of the main theorem in [9] (see also [11, 12]).

2 A general iterative method

In this section we study the convergence of the following *general two-step iterative algorithm* in a Hilbert space H :

$$\begin{cases} y_n = \beta_n Sx_n + (1 - \beta_n)x_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \alpha_n(I - \mu_n D)x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)W_n y_n, \quad n \geq 1, \end{cases} \tag{2.1}$$

where

- $D : H \rightarrow H$ is a σ -strongly monotone and L -Lipschitzian operator on H , i.e., D satisfies

$$\langle Dx - Dy, x - y \rangle \geq \sigma \|x - y\|^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \|Dx - Dy\| \leq L \|x - y\|.$$

- $S : H \rightarrow H$ is a nonexpansive mapping.
- $(W_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is defined on H and such that
 - (h1) $W_n : H \rightarrow H$ are nonexpansive mappings, uniformly asymptotically regular on bounded subsets $B \subset H$, i.e.,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in B} \|W_{n+1}x - W_n x\| = 0,$$

- (h2) it is possible to define a *nonexpansive* mapping $W : H \rightarrow H$, with

$$Wx := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} W_n x \text{ such that if } F := \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(W_n) \neq \emptyset \text{ then } \text{Fix}(W) = F.$$

- The coefficients $(\alpha_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset (0, \alpha] \subset (0, 1)$, $(\beta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset (0, 1)$ and $(\mu_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset (0, \mu)$, where $\mu < \frac{2\sigma}{L^2}$.

Remark 2.1 If $(T_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ does not satisfy (h1) and (h2), then it is always possible to construct a family of nonexpansive mappings $(W_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ satisfying (h1) and (h2) and such that $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(T_n) = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \text{Fix}(W_n)$ (see [13, 14]).

All the previous results easily follow from our main theorem below.

Theorem 2.2 *Let H be a Hilbert space. Let $D, S, (W_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be defined as above. Then:*

- (1) Let $\tau = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = 0$. Assume that
 - (H1) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_n \mu_n = \infty$;
 - (H2) $\sup_{x \in B} \|W_n z - W_{n-1} z\| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n)$, where $B \subset H$ is bounded;
 - (H3) $|\mu_{n-1} - \mu_n| = o(\mu_n)$ and $|\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n)$.

(These hypotheses are satisfied, for instance, by $\alpha_n = \mu_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}$ and $\beta_n = \frac{1}{n^2}, n \geq 1$.)

Then the sequence generated by iteration (2.1) strongly converges to $x^* \in F$ that is the unique solution of the variational inequality

$$\langle Dx^*, y - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in F. \tag{2.2}$$

- (2) Let us suppose $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = \tau \in (0, +\infty)$. Assume that

- (H1) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_n \mu_n = \infty;$
- (H4) $\sup_{x \in B} \|W_n z - W_{n-1} z\| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n \beta_n),$ where $B \subset H$ is bounded;
- (H5) $|\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| = o(\alpha_n \beta_n \mu_n), |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| = o(\alpha_n \beta_n \mu_n)$ and $|\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| = o(\alpha_n \beta_n \mu_n);$
- (H6) $|\frac{1}{\beta_n} - \frac{1}{\beta_{n-1}}| = O(\alpha_n \mu_n).$

(These hypotheses are satisfied, for instance, by $\alpha_n = \mu_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{n}}, \beta_n = \frac{2}{\sqrt{n}}, n \geq 1$ and (W_n) and (λ_n) are as in *Stm1*.)

Then $x_n \rightarrow \tilde{x}$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where $\tilde{x} \in F$ is the unique solution of the variational inequality

$$\left\langle \frac{1}{\tau} D\tilde{x} + (I - S)\tilde{x}, y - \tilde{x} \right\rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in F. \tag{2.3}$$

(3) If $\tau = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = \infty$ and $\text{Fix}(S) \cap F \neq \emptyset$. Let us suppose that

- (H1) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_n \mu_n = \infty;$
- (H2) $\sup_{x \in B} \|W_n z - W_{n-1} z\| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n),$ where $B \subset H$ is bounded.
- (H7) $|\mu_{n-1} - \mu_n| = o(\mu_n),$ and $|\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n).$

If $\beta_n \rightarrow \beta \neq 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and $|\beta_{n-1} - \beta_n| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n)$, then the sequence generated by iteration (2.1) strongly converges to $x^* \in F \cap \text{Fix}(S)$ that is the unique solution of the variational inequality

$$\langle Dx^*, y - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in F \cap \text{Fix}(S). \tag{2.4}$$

Proof We give the proof in the next (and last) section. □

Proof of Theorem 1.1 It follows by Theorem 2.2(1) choosing $D = I, \mu = 1, W_n = T$ and $S = I$. □

Proof of Theorem 1.3 If we take $Dx = x - u, S = I, \mu = 1$ and $W_n = T$, the proofs follow by Theorem 2.2(1). □

Proof of Corollary 1.6 Easily follows by Corollary 1.5 when $A = \nabla\phi$ and $\delta = \frac{1}{L}$. □

Remark 2.3 It is interesting to note that the convergence in Corollary 1.6 can be obtained from Theorem 2.2(3) when $S = W_n = (I - \delta A)$.

The last application of our main theorem concerns the problem to minimize a quadratic function over a closed and convex subset C of H

$$\min_{x \in C} \frac{1}{2} \langle Ax, x \rangle - h(x), \tag{2.5}$$

where h is a potential function for a contraction mapping f , i.e., $h' = f$ on H (for references, one can read [15, 16]).

Let A be a strongly positive bounded linear operator on H , i.e., there exists $\bar{\gamma} > 0$ such that $\langle Ax, x \rangle \geq \bar{\gamma} \|x\|^2$ for all $x \in H$.

Let us take as a subset C the set of common fixed points of a given semigroup of non-expansive mappings. Let \mathfrak{T} be a one-parameter continuous semigroup of nonexpansive mappings defined on H with a common fixed points set $F \neq \emptyset$. Let $(\lambda_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a sequence in $(0, 1)$ such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n = \lambda \in (0, 1)$.

We know the fact, due to Suzuki [17], that $W_n x := \lambda_n T(1)x + (1 - \lambda_n)T(\sqrt{2})x$ is a nonexpansive mapping such that $\text{Fix}(W_n) = \text{Fix}(T(1)) \cap \text{Fix}(T(\sqrt{2})) = F$. Moreover,

$$\|W_{n+1}x - W_n x\| \leq |\lambda_{n+1} - \lambda_n| \|T(1)x - T(\sqrt{2})x\|.$$

Further, if x lies in a bounded set $B \subset X$, the uniform asymptotic regularity on B follows. If $Sx := \lambda T(1)x + (1 - \lambda)T(\sqrt{2})x$, then $\text{Fix}(S) = F$ and, for all $x \in H$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} W_n x = Vx.$$

In light of [16, 18, 19], we consider

$$\min_{x \in F} \frac{1}{2} \langle Ax, x \rangle - h(x). \tag{2.6}$$

We are able to prove the following new convergence result.

Theorem 2.4 *Let us suppose that*

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \alpha_n \mu_n = \infty$;
- $|\lambda_{n+1} - \lambda_n| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n)$;
- $|\mu_{n-1} - \mu_n| = o(\mu_n)$, and $|\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n)$.

If $\beta_n \rightarrow \beta \neq 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and $|\beta_{n-1} - \beta_n| = o(\alpha_n \mu_n)$, then the sequence generated by iteration (2.1), i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} x_{n+1} = \alpha_n(I - \mu_n A)x_n + \alpha_n \mu_n f(x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n)W_n y_n, & n \geq 1, \\ y_n = \beta_n(\lambda T(1) + (1 - \lambda)T(\sqrt{2}))x_n + (1 - \beta_n)x_n \end{cases} \tag{2.7}$$

strongly converges to $x^ \in F$ that is the unique solution of the variational inequality*

$$\langle (A - \gamma f)x^*, y - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in F, \tag{2.8}$$

which is the optimality condition to solve

$$\min_{x \in F} \frac{1}{2} \langle Ax, x \rangle - h(x).$$

Proof of Theorem 2.4 Easily follows by Theorem 2.2 statement 3 when $S = \lambda T(1) + (1 - \lambda)T(\sqrt{2})$, $W_n = \lambda_n T(1) + (1 - \lambda_n)T(\sqrt{2})$ and $D = A - f$ (see [16]). □

3 Proof of Theorem 2.2

Lemma 3.1 *Let $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be defined by iteration (2.1) and $(\alpha_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, (\beta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset [0, 1]$ and $(\mu_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \subset (0, \mu)$. Assume that*

$$(H0) \quad \beta_n = O(\alpha_n \mu_n)$$

holds. Then $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are bounded.

Proof Putting $B_n := (I - \mu_n D)$, we then have

$$\|(I - \mu_n D)x - (I - \mu_n D)y\| \leq (1 - \mu_n \rho) \|x - y\|,$$

i.e., $(I - \mu_n D)$ is a $(1 - \mu_n \rho)$ -contraction (see [20]). Let $z \in F$. Then, for sufficiently large N_0 and for $\gamma > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - z\| &\leq \alpha_n \|B_n x_n - B_n z\| + \alpha_n \|B_n z - z\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|W_n y_n - z\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n (1 - \mu_n \rho) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \mu_n \|Dz\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \beta_n \|Sx_n - z\| \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha_n) (1 - \beta_n) \|x_n - z\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n (1 - \mu_n \rho) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \mu_n \|Dz\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \beta_n \|Sz - z\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - z\| \\ &\leq (1 - \mu_n \alpha_n \rho) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \mu_n \|Dz\| + \beta_n \|Sz - z\| \\ &\leq (1 - \mu_n \alpha_n \rho) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \mu_n (\|Dz\| + \gamma \|Sz - z\|) \\ &\quad \text{(by convexity of the norm)} \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \|x_n - z\|, \frac{\|Dz\| + \gamma \|Sz - z\|}{\rho} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

So, by an inductive process, one can see that

$$\|x_n - z\| \leq \max \left\{ \|x_i - z\|, \frac{\|Dz\| + \gamma \|Sz - z\|}{\rho} : i = 0, \dots, N_0 \right\}.$$

As a rule $(y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is bounded too. □

We recall the following lemma.

Lemma 3.2 *In the hypotheses of Theorem 2.2(1), we have that the sequence generated by $z_0 \in H$ and the iteration*

$$z_{n+1} = \alpha_n (I - \mu_n D) z_n + (1 - \alpha_n) W_n z_n$$

strongly converge to $x^ \in F$ that is the unique solution of the variational inequality*

$$\langle Dx^*, y - x^* \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall y \in F. \tag{3.1}$$

Proof The proof is given in [13, Theorem 2.6]. □

Proof of Theorem 2.2

Proof of 1. Let us note that since $\tau = 0$, then (H0) holds so $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is bounded by Lemma 3.1. Let us consider the iteration generated by

$$\begin{cases} z_0 = x_0, \\ z_{n+1} = \alpha_n (I - \mu_n D) z_n + (1 - \alpha_n) W_n z_n, \quad n \geq 1. \end{cases} \tag{3.2}$$

By Lemma 3.2, $(z_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ strongly converges to the unique solution of VIP (3.1). Then if we compute

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - z_{n+1}\| &\leq \alpha_n \|B_n x_n - B_n z_n\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|W_n y_n - W_n z_n\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n (1 - \mu_n \rho) \|x_n - z_n\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|y_n - z_n\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \alpha_n(1 - \mu_n\rho)\|x_n - z_n\| + (1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n\|Sx_n - z_n\| + (1 - \alpha_n)\|x_n - z_n\| \\
 &\leq (1 - \alpha_n\mu_n\rho)\|x_n - z_n\| + (1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n\|Sx_n - z_n\| \\
 &\leq (1 - \alpha_n\mu_n\rho)\|x_n - z_n\| + \beta_n O(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Calling $s_n := \|x_n - z_n\|$, $a_n := \alpha_n\mu_n\rho$, we have that

$$s_{n+1} \leq (1 - a_n)s_n + \beta_n O(1).$$

Since $\sum_n \alpha_n\mu_n = \infty$ and $\tau = 0$, we can apply Xu’s Lemma 2.5 in [19] to obtain the required result.

Proof of 2. It is not difficult to observe that, by Byrne [10], $(I - S)$ is a $\frac{1}{2}$ -inverse strongly monotone operator, so $(\frac{1}{\tau}D + (I - S))$ is a $\frac{\sigma}{\tau}$ -strongly monotone operator. Then (VIP) (2.3) has a unique solution by the celebrated results of Browder and Petryshyn [21] and Deimling Theorem 13.1 in [22].

We next prove that $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is asymptotically regular with respect to $(\beta_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, i.e.,

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

In order to prove the previous limit, we first compute

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| &\leq \alpha_n\|B_n x_n - B_{n-1} x_{n-1}\| + \|B_{n-1} x_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| \\
 &\quad + (1 - \alpha_n)\|W_n y_n - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| \\
 &\leq \alpha_n\|B_n x_n - B_n x_{n-1}\| + \alpha_n\|B_n x_{n-1} - B_{n-1} x_{n-1}\| \\
 &\quad + \|B_{n-1} x_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| \\
 &\quad + (1 - \alpha_n)\|W_n y_n - W_n y_{n-1}\| + (1 - \alpha_n)\|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| \\
 &\leq \alpha_n(1 - \mu_n\rho)\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \alpha_n|\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}|\|Dx_{n-1}\| \\
 &\quad + \|B_{n-1} x_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| \\
 &\quad + (1 - \alpha_n)\|y_n - y_{n-1}\| + \|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\|.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

By definition of y_n one obtains that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|y_n - y_{n-1}\| &= \beta_n\|Sx_n - Sx_{n-1}\| + \|Sx_{n-1} - x_{n-1}\| |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| + (1 - \beta_n)\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| \\
 &\leq \beta_n\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \|Sx_{n-1} - x_{n-1}\| |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}| \\
 &\quad + (1 - \beta_n)\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| \\
 &= \|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \|Sx_{n-1} - x_{n-1}\| |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|.
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

So, substituting (3.4) in (3.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| &\leq \alpha_n(1 - \mu_n\rho)\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| \\
 &\quad + (\alpha_n|\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|) O(1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ (1 - \alpha_n)\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| \\
 &= (1 - \mu_n \alpha_n \rho)\|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| \\
 &+ (\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|)O(1). \tag{3.5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us observe that by (H5)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = 0$$

and (H4) guarantees that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\|}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = 0.$$

Putting $s_n := \|x_n - x_{n-1}\|$, $a_n := \mu_n \alpha_n \rho$ and $b_n = \|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| + (\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|)O(1)$, we can write (3.5) as

$$s_{n+1} \leq (1 - a_n)s_n + b_n.$$

Thus (H1), (H4) and (H5) are enough to apply Xu’s Lemma 2.5 in [19] to assure that $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is asymptotically regular. Moreover, dividing by β_n in (3.5), one observes that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{\|x_{n+1} - x_n\|}{\beta_n} &\leq (1 - \mu_n \alpha_n \rho) \frac{\|x_n - x_{n-1}\|}{\beta_n} + \frac{\|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\|}{\beta_n} \\
 &+ \frac{\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|}{\beta_n} M \\
 &\leq (1 - \mu_n \alpha_n \rho) \frac{\|x_n - x_{n-1}\|}{\beta_n} + \|x_{n-1} - x_n\| \left| \frac{1}{\beta_n} - \frac{1}{\beta_{n-1}} \right| \\
 &+ \frac{\|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\|}{\beta_n} \\
 &+ M \left[\frac{|\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}|}{\beta_n} + \frac{\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}|}{\beta_n} + \frac{|\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|}{\beta_n} \right] \\
 \text{by (H6)} &\leq (1 - \mu_n \alpha_n \rho) \frac{\|x_n - x_{n-1}\|}{\beta_{n-1}} + O(\alpha_n \mu_n) \|x_{n-1} - x_n\| \\
 &+ \frac{\|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\|}{\beta_n} \\
 &+ M \left[\frac{|\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}|}{\beta_n} + \frac{\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}|}{\beta_n} + \frac{|\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|}{\beta_n} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

Since (H1), (H4) and (H5) hold, by using again Xu’s Lemma 2.5 in [19], we have

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

Moreover, by the asymptotic regularity of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, we show that the weak limits $\omega_w(x_n) \subset F$. Let $p_0 \in \omega_w(x_n)$ and $(x_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a subsequence of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ weakly converging to p_0 . If $p_0 \notin F$,

then by the Opial property of a Hilbert space

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - p_0\| &< \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - Wp_0\| \\ &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\|x_{n_k} - x_{n_{k+1}}\| + \|x_{n_{k+1}} - W_{n_k}y_{n_k}\| \\ &\quad + \|W_{n_k}y_{n_k} - W_{n_k}p_0\| + \|W_{n_k}p_0 - Wp_0\|] \\ &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\|x_{n_k} - x_{n_{k+1}}\| + \alpha_{n_k} \|B_{n_k}x_{n_k} - W_{n_k}y_{n_k}\| \\ &\quad + \|y_{n_k} - p_0\| + \|W_{n_k}p_0 - Wp_0\|] \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|y_{n_k} - p_0\| \\ &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\beta_{n_k} \|Sx_{n_k} - p_0\| + \|x_{n_k} - p_0\|]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\beta_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - p_0\| < \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - Wp_0\| \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - p_0\|,$$

which is absurd. Then $p_0 \in F$.

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} x_{n+1} - x_n &= \alpha_n(B_nx_n - x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n)(W_ny_n - x_n) \\ &= -\alpha_n\mu_nDx_n + (1 - \alpha_n)(W_ny_n - y_n) + (1 - \alpha_n)(y_n - x_n) \\ &= -\alpha_n\mu_nDx_n + (1 - \alpha_n)(W_ny_n - y_n) + (1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n(Sx_n - x_n), \end{aligned}$$

so that we define

$$v_n := \frac{x_n - x_{n+1}}{(1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n} = (I - S)x_n + \frac{1}{\beta_n}(I - W_n)y_n + \frac{\alpha_n\mu_n}{(1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n}Dx_n. \tag{3.6}$$

As a rule $v_n := \frac{x_n - x_{n+1}}{(1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n}$ is also a null sequence as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Now we prove that $\omega_w(x_n) = \omega_s(x_n)$, i.e., every weak limit is a strong limit too. We only need to prove that $\omega_w(x_n) \subset \omega_s(x_n)$.

Let us fix $z \in \omega_w(x_n)$, then $z \in F$, and by (3.6) it results

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v_n, x_n - z \rangle &= \langle (I - S)x_n, x_n - z \rangle + \frac{1}{\beta_n} \langle (I - W_n)y_n, x_n - z \rangle + \frac{\alpha_n\mu_n}{(1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n} \langle Dx_n, x_n - z \rangle \\ &= \langle (I - S)x_n - (I - S)z, x_n - z \rangle + \langle (I - S)z, x_n - z \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\beta_n} \langle (I - W_n)y_n, x_n - y_n \rangle + \frac{1}{\beta_n} \langle (I - W_n)y_n, y_n - z \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{\alpha_n\mu_n}{(1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n} \langle Dx_n - Dz, x_n - z \rangle + \frac{\alpha_n\mu_n}{(1 - \alpha_n)\beta_n} \langle Dz, x_n - z \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Since the operator $(I - W_n)$ is monotone for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle v_n, x_n - z \rangle &\geq \langle (I - S)z, x_n - z \rangle + \frac{1}{\beta_n} \langle (I - W_n)y_n, x_n - y_n \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\beta_n} \langle (I - W_n)y_n - (I - W_n)z, y_n - z \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{\alpha_n \mu_n}{(1 - \alpha_n) \beta_n} \langle Dz, x_n - z \rangle + \frac{\alpha_n \mu_n \sigma}{(1 - \alpha_n) \beta_n} \|x_n - z\|^2 \\
 \geq & \langle (I - S)z, x_n - z \rangle + \langle (I - W_n)y_n, x_n - Sx_n \rangle \\
 & + \frac{\alpha_n \mu_n \sigma}{(1 - \alpha_n) \beta_n} \|x_n - z\|^2 + \frac{\alpha_n \mu_n}{(1 - \alpha_n) \beta_n} \langle Dz, x_n - z \rangle,
 \end{aligned}$$

and so we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_n - z\|^2 \leq & \frac{(1 - \alpha_n) \beta_n}{\alpha_n \mu_n \sigma} [\langle v_n, x_n - z \rangle - \langle (I - S)z, x_n - z \rangle - \langle (I - W_n)y_n, x_n - Sx_n \rangle] \\
 & - \frac{1}{\sigma} \langle Dz, x_n - z \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Let us note that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|y_n - W_n y_n\| \leq & \|y_n - x_n\| + \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| + \|x_{n+1} - W_n y_n\| \\
 \leq & \beta_n \|Sx_n - x_n\| + \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| + \alpha_n \|B_n x_n - W_n y_n\| \\
 \leq & (\beta_n + \|x_n - x_{n+1}\| + \alpha_n) O(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

So, by the hypotheses, $\|y_n - W_n y_n\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. So if $(x_{n_k})_k$ is such that $x_{n_k} \rightarrow z$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{n_k} - z\|^2 \leq & \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k} \sigma} [\langle v_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - z \rangle - \langle (I - S)z, x_{n_k} - z \rangle - \langle (I - W_{n_k})y_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - Sx_{n_k} \rangle] \\
 & - \frac{1}{\sigma} \langle Dz, x_{n_k} - z \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $v_n \rightarrow 0$ and $(I - W_n)y_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then every weak cluster point of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ (that lies in F) is also a strong cluster point.

We prove that $\omega_w = \omega_s(x_n)$ is a singleton. By the boundedness of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, let $(x_{n_k})_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a subsequence of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ converging (weakly and strongly) to x' . For all $z \in F$, again by (3.6)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \langle Dx_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - z \rangle & = \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle v_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - z \rangle - \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle (I - S)x_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - z \rangle \\
 & \quad - \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k})}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle (I - W_{n_k})y_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - z \rangle \\
 \text{(by monotonicity)} \leq & \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle v_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - z \rangle - \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle (I - S)z, x_{n_k} - z \rangle \\
 & \quad - \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle (I - W_{n_k})y_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - y_{n_k} \rangle \\
 \leq & \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle v_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - z \rangle - \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle (I - S)z, x_{n_k} - z \rangle \\
 & \quad - \frac{(1 - \alpha_{n_k}) \beta_{n_k}}{\alpha_{n_k} \mu_{n_k}} \langle (I - W_{n_k})y_{n_k}, x_{n_k} - Sx_{n_k} \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Passing to limit as $k \rightarrow \infty$, we obtain

$$\langle Dx', x' - z \rangle \leq -\tau \langle (I - S)z, x' - z \rangle \quad \forall z \in \text{Fix}(T),$$

that is, (2.3) holds. Thus, since (2.3) cannot have more than one solution, it follows that $\omega_w(x_n) = \omega_s(x_n) = \{\tilde{x}\}$ and this, of course, ensures that $x_n \rightarrow \tilde{x}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Now we investigate the case

$$\tau := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_n}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = +\infty.$$

Proof of 3. Let $z \in F \cap \text{Fix}(S)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - z\| &\leq \alpha_n \|B_n x_n - B_n z\| + \alpha_n \|B_n z - z\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|W_n y_n - z\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n (1 - \mu_n \rho) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \mu_n \|Dz\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \beta_n \|Sx_n - z\| \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha_n)(1 - \beta_n) \|x_n - z\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n (1 - \mu_n \rho) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \mu_n \|Dz\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - z\| \\ &\leq (1 - \mu_n \alpha_n \rho) \|x_n - z\| + \alpha_n \mu_n \|Dz\|. \end{aligned}$$

So, by an inductive process, one can see that

$$\|x_n - z\| \leq r.$$

By (3.5) in *Proof of 2*, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| &\leq (1 - \mu_n \alpha_n \rho) \|x_n - x_{n-1}\| + \|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| \\ &\quad + (\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|) O(1). \end{aligned} \tag{3.7}$$

Let us observe that by (H7) we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = 0,$$

and (H2) guarantees that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\|}{\alpha_n \mu_n} = 0.$$

Then, calling $s_n = \|x_n - x_{n-1}\|$, $a_n = \mu_n \alpha_n \rho$ and $b_n = \|W_n y_{n-1} - W_{n-1} y_{n-1}\| + (\alpha_n |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}| + |\alpha_n - \alpha_{n-1}| + |\beta_n - \beta_{n-1}|) O(1)$, we can write (3.7) as

$$s_{n+1} \leq (1 - a_n) s_n + b_n,$$

and (H1), (H2) and (H7) are enough to apply Xu's Lemma 2.5 in [19] and to assure that $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is asymptotically regular.

For every $v \in \text{Fix}(S) \cap F$, it results that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - v\|^2 &\leq \alpha_n \|B_n x_n - v\|^2 + \|y_n - v\|^2 \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|B_n x_n - v\|^2 + \beta_n \|Sx_n - v\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ (1 - \beta_n)\|x_n - v\|^2 - \beta_n(1 - \beta_n)\|Sx_n - x_n\|^2 \\
 &\leq \alpha_n\|B_nx_n - v\|^2 + \|x_n - v\|^2 - \beta_n(1 - \beta_n)\|Sx_n - x_n\|^2.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.8}$$

So, by the boundedness we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \beta_n(1 - \beta_n)\|Sx_n - x_n\|^2 &\leq \alpha_n\|B_nx_n - v\|^2 + \|x_n - v\|^2 - \|x_{n+1} - v\|^2 \\
 &\leq (\alpha_n + \|x_n - x_{n+1}\|)O(1).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{3.9}$$

Then $\|Sx_n - x_n\| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and, by the demiclosedness principle, the weak cluster points of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are fixed points of S , i.e., $\omega_w(x_n) \subset \text{Fix}(S)$. Let us show that there are more $\omega_w(x_n) \subset F$. If not, let $p_0 \in \omega_w(x_n)$ and $p_0 \notin F$. By the Opial property of a Hilbert space, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - p_0\| &< \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - Wp_0\| \\
 &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\|x_{n_k} - x_{n_k+1}\| + \|x_{n_k+1} - W_{n_k}y_{n_k}\| \\
 &\quad + \|W_{n_k}y_{n_k} - W_{n_k}p_0\| + \|W_{n_k}p_0 - Wp_0\|] \\
 &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\|x_{n_k} - x_{n_k+1}\| + \alpha_{n_k}\|B_{n_k}x_{n_k} - W_{n_k}y_{n_k}\| \\
 &\quad + \|y_{n_k} - p_0\| + \|W_{n_k}p_0 - Wp_0\|] \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|y_{n_k} - p_0\| \\
 &\leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\beta_{n_k}\|Sx_{n_k} - p_0\| + (1 - \beta_{n_k})\|x_{n_k} - p_0\|] \\
 &= \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_k} - p_0\|,
 \end{aligned}$$

which is absurd, so $p_0 \in F$. To conclude, if z is the unique solution of VIP (2.8), then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{n+1} - z\|^2 &= \|\alpha_n(B_n(x_n) - B_nz) + \alpha_n(B_nz - z) + (1 - \alpha_n)(W_ny_n - z)\|^2 \\
 &\leq \|\alpha_n(B_nx_n - B_nz) + (1 - \alpha_n)(W_ny_n - z)\|^2 \\
 &\quad + 2\alpha_n\mu_n\langle -Dz, x_{n+1} - z \rangle \\
 &\leq \alpha_n(1 - \mu_n\rho)\|x_n - z\|^2 + (1 - \alpha_n)\|y_n - z\|^2 \\
 &\quad + 2\alpha_n\mu_n\langle -Dz, x_{n+1} - z \rangle \\
 &= (1 - \alpha_n\mu_n\rho)\|x_n - z\|^2 + 2\alpha_n\mu_n\langle -Dz, x_{n+1} - z \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since every weak cluster point of $(x_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ lies in $F \cap \text{Fix}(S)$, then for an opportune subsequence $(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow p_0$

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle -Dz, x_{n+1} - z \rangle = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle -Dz, x_{n_k} - z \rangle = \langle -Dz, p_0 - z \rangle \leq 0.$$

Thus, calling $s_n := \|x_n - z\|^2$, $a_n = \alpha_n\mu_n\rho$ and $b_n = 2\alpha_n\mu_n\langle -Dz, x_{n+1} - z \rangle$, we can write

$$s_{n+1} \leq (1 - a_n)s_n + b_n,$$

and by Xu’s Lemma 2.5 in [19], $x_n \rightarrow z$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. □

Table 1 Comparison of convergence rate of Halpern’s iteration and iteration (2.1)

<i>n</i>	Halpern’s iteration	Iteration (2.1)
0	2	2
1	-0.5	0
2	0.625	0.4375
3	-0.354166667	-0.105324074
100	0.080072898	0.041831478
200	0.056139484	0.029059296
300	0.04566033	0.0233554023
400	0.039450573	0.020290332
500	0.035228918	0.018089615
700	0.029710616	0.015223559

To us, applications of Theorem 2.2 are a well-known problem, and also we know that there exist several iterative approaches to approximate the solutions. Nevertheless, our iterative scheme summarizes a lot of them assuming very simple hypotheses on the numerical sequences, and it can be applied to a wide class of mappings thanks to hypotheses (h1) and (h2). However the reader could ask for a comparison of scheme (2.1) and the well-known iterative approach cited here. We do not know the rate of convergence of our method, but it is enough to see the numerical examples in [13, 23] to conclude that it is not possible to compare two iterative schemes. However, for the sake of completeness, we include a very simple case which shows that our scheme is faster than Halpern’s scheme.

Example 3.3 Let $H = \mathbb{R}$, $u = 1$, $W_n x := -x$ (hence $F = \{0\}$), $Dx := x - 1$, $Sx := x - 1$. Let $\alpha_n = \frac{1}{2n}$, $\mu_n = 1$ and $z_1 = 2$. Then Halpern’s iterative method

$$z_{n+1} = \alpha_n u + (1 - \alpha_n) W_n z_n$$

becomes

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2n} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2n}\right) z_n.$$

If $\beta_n = \frac{1}{n^2}$, from our scheme (2.1) we obtain

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2n} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{2n}\right) \left(x_n - \frac{1}{n^2}\right).$$

Thus our iterative scheme is slightly faster as shown in Table 1 (see also [24]).

Competing interests

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