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# A damped algorithm for the split feasibility and fixed point problems

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# Abstract

The purpose of this paper is to study the split feasibility problem and the fixed point problem. We suggest a damped algorithm. Convergence theorem is proven. **MSC:** 47J25; 47H09; 65J15; 90C25

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# **1** Introduction

Let *C* and *Q* be two closed convex subsets of two Hilbert spaces  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , respectively, and let  $A : H_1 \to H_2$  be a bounded linear operator. Finding a point  $x^*$  satisfies

$$x^* \in C \quad \text{and} \quad Ax^* \in Q. \tag{1.1}$$

This problem, referred to as the split problem, has been studied by some authors. See, *e.g.*, [1-8] and [9]. Some algorithms for solving (1.1) have been presented. One is Byrne's CQ algorithm [1]

$$x_{n+1} = P_C(x_n - \tau A^*(I - P_Q)Ax_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $\tau \in (0, \frac{2}{L})$  with *L* being the largest eigenvalue of the matrix  $A^*A$ , *I* is the unit matrix or operator, and  $P_C$  and  $P_Q$  denote the orthogonal projections onto *C* and *Q*, respectively. Motivated by Byrne's CQ algorithm, Xu [6] suggested a single step regularized method

$$x_{n+1} = P_C((1 - \alpha_n \gamma_n) x_n - \gamma_n A^* (I - P_O) A x_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(1.2)

Very recently, Dang and Gao [5] introduced the following damped projection algorithm

$$x_{n+1} = (1-\beta_n)x_n + \beta_n P_C \big( (1-\alpha_n) \big( x_n - \tau A^* (I-P_Q) A x_n \big) \big), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

If every closed convex subset of a Hilbert space is the fixed point set of its associating projection, then the split feasibility problem becomes a special case of the split common fixed point problem of finding a point  $x^*$  with the property

$$x^* \in \operatorname{Fix}(U)$$
 and  $Ax^* \in \operatorname{Fix}(T)$ .

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This problem was first introduced by Censor and Segal [10], who invented an algorithm, which generates a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  according to the iterative procedure

$$x_{n+1} = U(x_n - \gamma A^*(I - T)Ax_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Recently, Cui, Su and Wang [11] extended the damped projection algorithm to the split common fixed point problems. For some related work, please refer to [12] and [13, 14].

Motivated by these results, the purpose of this paper is to study the following split feasibility problem and fixed point problem

Find 
$$x^* \in C \cap \operatorname{Fix}(T)$$
 such that  $Ax^* \in Q \cap \operatorname{Fix}(S)$ , (1.3)

where  $S: Q \rightarrow Q$  and  $T: C \rightarrow C$  are two nonexpansive mappings. We suggest a damped algorithm for solving (1.3). Convergence theorem is proven.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let *H* be a real Hilbert space with the inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and the norm  $\|\cdot\|$ , respectively. Let *C* be a nonempty closed convex subset of *H*.

**Definition 2.1** A mapping  $T : C \to C$  is called *nonexpansive* if

 $\|Tx - Ty\| \le \|x - y\|$ 

for all  $x, y \in C$ .

We will use Fix(T) to denote the set of fixed points of *T*, that is,  $Fix(T) = \{x \in C : x = Tx\}$ .

**Definition 2.2** We call  $P_C : H \to C$  the metric projection if for each  $x \in H$ 

$$||x - P_C(x)|| = \inf\{||x - y|| : y \in C\}.$$

It is well known that the metric projection  $P_C: H \to C$  is characterized by

$$\langle x - P_C(x), y - P_C(x) \rangle \leq 0$$

for all  $x \in H$ ,  $y \in C$ . From this, we can deduce that  $P_C$  is firmly-nonexpansive, that is,

$$||P_C(x) - P_C(y)||^2 \le \langle x - y, P_C(x) - P_C(y) \rangle$$
 (2.1)

for all  $x, y \in H$ . Hence  $P_C$  is also nonexpansive.

It is well known that in a real Hilbert space *H*, the following two equalities hold

$$\left\| tx + (1-t)y \right\|^2 = t \|x\|^2 + (1-t)\|y\|^2 - t(1-t)\|x - y\|^2$$
(2.2)

for all  $x, y \in H$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ , and

$$\|x + y\|^{2} = \|x\|^{2} + 2\langle x, y \rangle + \|y\|^{2}$$
(2.3)

for all  $x, y \in H$ . It follows that

$$\|x+y\|^{2} \le \|x\|^{2} + 2\langle y, x+y\rangle$$
(2.4)

for all  $x, y \in H$ .

**Lemma 2.3** [15] Let C be a closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space H, and let  $S : C \to C$ be a nonexpansive mapping. Then, the mapping I - S is demiclosed. That is, if  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in C such that  $x_n \to x^*$  weakly and  $(I - S)x_n \to y$  strongly, then  $(I - S)x^* = y$ .

**Lemma 2.4** [16] Assume that  $\{a_n\}$  is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers such that

 $a_{n+1} \leq (1-\gamma_n)a_n + \delta_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$ 

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

(1)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n = \infty;$ (2)  $\limsup_{n \to \infty} \frac{\delta_n}{\gamma_n} \le 0 \text{ or } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\delta_n| < \infty.$ Then  $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = 0.$ 

### 3 Main results

Let *C* and *Q* be two nonempty closed convex subsets of real Hilbert spaces  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , respectively. Let  $A : H_1 \to H_2$  be a bounded linear operator with its adjoint  $A^*$ . Let *S* :  $Q \to Q$  and  $T : C \to C$  be two nonexpansive mappings. We use  $\Gamma$  to denote the set of solutions of (1.3), that is,  $\Gamma = \{x^* | x^* \in C \cap Fix(T), Ax^* \in Q \cap Fix(S)\}$ . Now, we present our algorithm.

**Algorithm 3.1** For  $x_0 \in H_1$  arbitrarily, let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence defined by

$$x_{n+1} = TP_C((1 - \alpha_n)(x_n - \delta A^*(I - SP_Q)Ax_n)) \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N},$$
(3.1)

where  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  are two real number sequences in (0,1) and  $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{\|A\|^2})$ .

**Theorem 3.2** Suppose  $\Gamma \neq \emptyset$ . Assume the sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  satisfies three conditions

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

*Then the sequence*  $\{x_n\}$ *, generated by algorithm* (3.1)*, converges strongly to*  $x^* = P_{\Gamma}(0)$ *.* 

*Proof* For the convenience, we write  $z_n = P_Q A x_n$ ,  $y_n = (1 - \alpha_n)(x_n - \delta A^*(I - SP_Q)A x_n)$  and  $u_n = P_C((1 - \alpha_n)(x_n - \delta A^*(I - SP_Q)A x_n))$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus  $u_n = P_C y_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Let  $x^* = P_{\Gamma}(0)$ . Hence,  $x^* \in C \cap \text{Fix}(T)$  and  $Ax^* \in Q \cap \text{Fix}(S)$ . By the firmlynonexpansivity of  $P_C$  and  $P_O$ , we can deduce the following conclusions

$$||z_n - Ax^*|| = ||P_Q Ax_n - P_Q Ax^*|| \le ||Ax_n - Ax^*||,$$
(3.2)

$$\|u_n - x^*\| = \|P_C y_n - P_C x^*\| \le \|y_n - x^*\|,$$
(3.3)

$$\left\|Sz_{n}-Ax^{*}\right\|^{2} \leq \left\|z_{n}-Ax^{*}\right\|^{2} \leq \left\|Ax_{n}-Ax^{*}\right\|^{2} - \left\|z_{n}-Ax_{n}\right\|^{2},$$
(3.4)

$$\|u_{n+1} - u_n\| = \|P_C y_{n+1} - P_C y_n\| \le \|y_{n+1} - y_n\|$$
(3.5)

$$||z_{n+1} - z_n|| = ||P_Q A x_{n+1} - P_Q A x_n|| \le ||A x_{n+1} - A x_n||.$$
(3.6)

From (3.1) and (3.3), we have

$$\|x_{n+1} - x^*\| = \|Tu_n - x^*\| \le \|u_n - x^*\| \le \|y_n - x^*\|.$$
(3.7)

Using (2.3), we get

$$\|y_{n} - x^{*}\|^{2} = \|(1 - \alpha_{n})(x_{n} - x^{*} + \delta A^{*}(Sz_{n} - Ax_{n})) - \alpha_{n}x^{*}\|^{2}$$

$$\leq (1 - \alpha_{n})\|(x_{n} - x^{*} + \delta A^{*}(Sz_{n} - Ax_{n})\|^{2} + \alpha_{n}\|x^{*}\|^{2}$$

$$= (1 - \alpha_{n})[\|x_{n} - x^{*}\| + \delta^{2}\|A^{*}(Sz_{n} - Ax_{n})\|^{2} + 2\delta\langle x_{n} - x^{*}, A^{*}(Sz_{n} - Ax_{n})\rangle] + \alpha_{n}\|x^{*}\|^{2}.$$
(3.8)

Since A is a linear operator with its adjoint  $A^*$ , we have

$$\langle x_n - x^*, A^*(Sz_n - Ax_n) \rangle$$

$$= \langle A(x_n - x^*), Sz_n - Ax_n \rangle$$

$$= \langle Ax_n - Ax^* + Sz_n - Ax_n - (Sz_n - Ax_n), Sz_n - Ax_n \rangle$$

$$= \langle Sz_n - Ax^*, Sz_n - Ax_n \rangle - ||Sz_n - Ax_n||^2.$$

$$(3.9)$$

Again using (2.3), we obtain

$$\langle Sz_n - Ax^*, Sz_n - Ax_n \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left( \left\| Sz_n - Ax^* \right\|^2 + \left\| Sz_n - Ax_n \right\|^2 - \left\| Ax_n - Ax^* \right\|^2 \right).$$
(3.10)

By (3.4), (3.9) and (3.10), we get

$$\langle x_n - x^*, A^*(Sz_n - Ax_n) \rangle = \frac{1}{2} \left( \| Sz_n - Ax^* \|^2 + \| Sz_n - Ax_n \|^2 - \| Ax_n - Ax^* \|^2 \right) - \| Sz_n - Ax_n \|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} \left( \| Ax_n - Ax^* \|^2 - \| z_n - Ax_n \|^2 + \| Sz_n - Ax_n \|^2 - \| Ax_n - Ax^* \|^2 \right) - \| Sz_n - Ax_n \|^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \| z_n - Ax_n \|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \| Sz_n - Ax_n \|^2.$$
 (3.11)

Substituting (3.11) into (3.8), we deduce

$$\begin{split} \left\| y_n - x^* \right\|^2 &\leq (1 - \alpha_n) \bigg[ \left\| x_n - x^* \right\|^2 + \delta^2 \|A\|^2 \|Sz_n - Ax_n\|^2 \\ &+ 2\delta \bigg( -\frac{1}{2} \|z_n - Ax_n\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|Sz_n - Ax_n\|^2 \bigg) \bigg] + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2 \\ &= (1 - \alpha_n) \big[ \left\| x_n - x^* \right\|^2 + \big( \delta^2 \|A\|^2 - \delta \big) \|Sz_n - Ax_n\|^2 \end{split}$$

$$-\delta \|z_n - Ax_n\|^2 + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2$$
  
 
$$\leq (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2.$$
 (3.12)

It follows from (3.7) that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq \|y_n - x^*\|^2 \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2 \\ &\leq \max\{\|x_n - x^*\|^2, \|x^*\|^2\}. \end{aligned}$$

The boundedness of the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  yields.

Next, we estimate  $||x_{n+1} - x_n||$ . Set  $v_n = x_n - \delta A^*(I - SP_Q)Ax_n$ . According to (2.3) and (3.5), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|v_{n+1} - v_n\|^2 &= \|x_{n+1} - x_n + \delta [A^*(SP_Q - I)Ax_{n+1} - A^*(SP_Q - I)Ax_n] \|^2 \\ &= \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|^2 + \delta^2 \|A^* [(SP_Q - I)Ax_{n+1} - (SP_Q - I)Ax_n] \|^2 \\ &+ 2\delta \langle x_{n+1} - x_n, A^* [(SP_Q - I)Ax_{n+1} - (SP_Q - I)Ax_n] \rangle \\ &\leq \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|^2 + \delta^2 \|A\|^2 \|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &+ 2\delta \langle Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n, Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \rangle \\ &= \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|^2 + \delta^2 \|A\|^2 \|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &+ 2\delta \langle Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n, Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &+ 2\delta \langle Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &= \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|^2 + \delta^2 \|A\|^2 \|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &+ \delta (\|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n\|^2 + \|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &- \|Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n\|^2 ) - 2\delta \|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &= \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|^2 + (\delta^2 \|A\|^2 - \delta) \|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &+ \delta (\|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n\|^2 - \|Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n\|^2) \\ &\leq \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|^2 + (\delta^2 \|A\|^2 - \delta) \|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n - (Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n) \|^2 \\ &+ \delta (\|Sz_{n+1} - Sz_n\|^2 - \|Ax_{n+1} - Ax_n\|^2) . \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.13)$$

Since  $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{\|A\|^2})$ , we derive by virtue of (3.6) and (3.13) that

$$\|\nu_{n+1} - \nu_n\| \le \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|. \tag{3.14}$$

From (3.5) and (3.14), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| &\leq \|y_{n+1} - y_n\| \\ &= \|(1 - \alpha_{n+1})v_{n+1} - (1 - \alpha_n)v_n\| \\ &= \|(1 - \alpha_{n+1})(v_{n+1} - v_n) + (\alpha_n - \alpha_{n+1})v_n\| \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$||x_{n+1}-x_n|| \leq \frac{|\alpha_{n+1}-\alpha_n|}{\alpha_{n+1}}||\nu_n||.$$

This, together with condition (C3), implies that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| = 0. \tag{3.15}$$

That is,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|x_n - Tu_n\| = 0. \tag{3.16}$$

Using the firmly-nonexpansiveness of  $P_C$ , we have

$$\|u_n - x^*\|^2 = \|P_C y_n - x^*\|^2$$
  

$$\leq \|y_n - x^*\|^2 - \|P_C y_n - y_n\|^2$$
  

$$= \|y_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_n - y_n\|^2.$$
(3.17)

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 \\ &\leq \|y_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_n - y_n\|^2 \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2 - \|u_n - y_n\|^2. \end{aligned}$$
(3.18)

It follows that

$$\|u_n - y_n\|^2 \le \|x_n - x^*\|^2 - \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2$$
  
$$\le (\|x_n - x^*\| + \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|) \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2.$$

This, together with (3.15) and (C1), implies that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|u_n - y_n\| = 0.$$
(3.19)

Returning to (3.18) and using (3.12), we have

$$\|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \le \|y_n - x^*\|^2$$
  
 
$$\le (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 + (1 - \alpha_n) (\delta^2 \|A\|^2 - \delta) \|Sz_n - Ax_n\|^2$$
  
 
$$- (1 - \alpha_n) \delta \|z_n - Ax_n\|^2 + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2.$$

Hence,

$$(1 - \alpha_n) \left( \delta - \delta^2 \|A\|^2 \right) \|Sz_n - Ax_n\|^2 + (1 - \alpha_n) \delta \|z_n - Ax_n\|^2$$
  

$$\leq \|x_n - x^*\|^2 - \|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2$$
  

$$\leq \left( \|x_n - x^*\| + \|x_{n+1} - x^*\| \right) \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + \alpha_n \|x^*\|^2,$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|Sz_n - Ax_n\| = \lim_{n \to \infty} \|z_n - Ax_n\| = 0.$$
(3.20)

So,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|Sz_n - z_n\| = 0.$$
(3.21)

Note that

$$\|y_n - x_n\| = \|\delta A^* (SP_Q - I)Ax_n + \alpha_n \nu_n\|$$
  
$$\leq \delta \|A\| \|Sz_n - Ax_n\| + \alpha_n \|\nu_n\|.$$

It follows from (3.20) that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|x_n - y_n\| = 0.$$
(3.22)

From (3.16), (3.19) and (3.22), we get

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|x_n - Tx_n\| = 0.$$
(3.23)

Now, we show that

$$\limsup_{n\to\infty}\langle x^*, y_n-x^*\rangle\geq 0.$$

Choose a subsequence  $\{y_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{y_n\}$  such that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \langle x^*, y_n - x^* \rangle = \lim_{i \to \infty} \langle x^*, y_{n_i} - x^* \rangle.$$
(3.24)

Since the sequence  $\{y_{n_i}\}$  is bounded, we can choose a subsequence  $\{y_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{y_{n_i}\}$  such that  $y_{n_{i_j}} \rightarrow z$ . For the sake of convenience, we assume (without loss of generality) that  $y_{n_i} \rightarrow z$ . Consequently, we derive from the above conclusions that

$$x_{n_i} \rightharpoonup z, \qquad u_{n_i} \rightharpoonup z, \qquad A x_{n_i} \rightharpoonup A z \quad \text{and} \quad z_{n_i} \rightharpoonup A z.$$
 (3.25)

By the demiclosed principle of the nonexpansive mappings *S* and *T* (see Lemma 2.3), we deduce that  $z \in Fix(T)$  and  $Az \in Fix(S)$  (according to (3.23) and (3.21), respectively). Note that  $u_{n_i} = P_C y_{n_i} \in C$  and  $z_{n_i} = P_Q A x_{n_i} \in Q$ . From (3.25), we deduce  $z \in C$  and  $Az \in Q$ .

To this end, we deduce that  $z \in C \cap Fix(T)$  and  $Az \in Q \cap Fix(S)$ . That is to say,  $z \in \Gamma$ . Therefore,

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \langle x^*, y_n - x^* \rangle = \lim_{i \to \infty} \langle x^*, y_{n_i} - x^* \rangle$$
$$= \lim_{i \to \infty} \langle x^*, z - x^* \rangle$$
$$\ge 0. \tag{3.26}$$

Finally, we prove that  $x_n \rightarrow x^*$ . From (3.1), we have

$$\|x_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \le \|y_n - x^*\|^2$$
  
=  $\|(1 - \alpha_n)(v_n - x^*) - \alpha_n x^*\|^2$   
 $\le (1 - \alpha_n) \|v_n - x^*\|^2 - 2\alpha_n \langle x^*, y_n - x^* \rangle$   
 $\le (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - x^*\|^2 - 2\alpha_n \langle x^*, y_n - x^* \rangle.$  (3.27)

Applying Lemma 2.4 and (3.26) to (3.27), we deduce that  $x_n \to x^*$ . The proof is completed.

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