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Implicit and Explicit Iterations with Meir-Keeler-Type Contraction for a Finite Family of Nonexpansive Semigroups in Banach Spaces

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We introduce an implicit and explicit iterative schemes for a finite family of nonexpansive semigroups with the Meir-Keeler-type contraction in a Banach space. Then we prove the strong convergence for the implicit and explicit iterative schemes. Our results extend and improve some recent ones in literatures.

1. Introduction

Let C be a nonempty subset of a Banach space E and $T : C \rightarrow C$ be a mapping. We call T nonexpansive if $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$ for all $x, y \in C$. The set of all fixed points of T is denoted by $\text{Fix}(T)$, that is, $\text{Fix}(T) = \{x \in C : x = Tx\}$.

One parameter family $\mathcal{T} = \{T(t) : t \geq 0\}$ is said to a semigroup of nonexpansive mappings or nonexpansive semigroup on C if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (1) $T(0)x = x$ for all $x \in C$;
- (2) $T(s + t) = T(s)T(t)$ for all $s, t \geq 0$;
- (3) for each $t \geq 0$, $\|T(t)x - T(t)y\| \leq \|x - y\|$ for all $x, y \in C$;
- (4) for each $x \in C$, the mapping $T(\cdot)x$ from \mathbb{R}^+ , where \mathbb{R}^+ denotes the set of all nonnegative reals, into C is continuous.

We denote by $\text{Fix}(\mathcal{T})$ the set of all common fixed points of semigroup \mathcal{T} , that is, $\text{Fix}(\mathcal{T}) = \{x \in C : T(t)x = x, 0 \leq t < \infty\}$ and \mathbb{N} by the set of natural numbers.

Now, we recall some recent work on nonexpansive semigroup in literatures. In [1], Shioji and Takahashi introduced the following implicit iteration for a nonexpansive semigroup in a Hilbert space:

$$x_n = \alpha_n x + (1 - \alpha_n) \frac{1}{t_n} \int_0^{t_n} T(s)x_n ds, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (1.1)$$

where $\{\alpha_n\} \subset (0, 1)$ and $\{t_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$. Under the certain conditions on $\{\alpha_n\}$ and $\{t_n\}$, they proved that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ defined by (1.1) converges strongly to an element in $\text{Fix}(\mathcal{T})$.

In [2], Suzuki introduced the following implicit iteration for a nonexpansive semigroup in a Hilbert space:

$$x_n = \alpha_n u + (1 - \alpha_n) T(t_n)x_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (1.2)$$

where $\{\alpha_n\} \subset (0, 1)$ and $\{t_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$. Under the conditions that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n / t_n = 0$, he proved that $\{x_n\}$ defined by (1.2) converges strongly to an element of $\text{Fix}(\mathcal{T})$. Later on, Xu [3] extended the iteration (1.2) to a uniformly convex Banach space that admits a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping. Song and Xu [4] also extended the iteration (1.2) to a reflexive and strictly convex Banach space.

In 2007, Chen and He [5] studied the following implicit and explicit viscosity approximation processes for a nonexpansive semigroup in a reflexive Banach space admitting a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping:

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= \alpha_n f(x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) T(t_n)x_n, \\ y_{n+1} &= \beta_n f(y_n) + (1 - \beta_n) T(t_n)y_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

where f is a contraction, $\{\alpha_n\} \subset (0, 1)$ and $\{t_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$. They proved the strong convergence for the above iterations under some certain conditions on the control sequences.

Recently, Chen et al. [6] introduced the following implicit and explicit iterations for nonexpansive semigroups in a reflexive Banach space admitting a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping:

$$\begin{aligned} y_n &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T(t_n)x_n, \\ x_n &= \beta_n f(x_n) + (1 - \beta_n) y_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} y_n &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T(t_n)x_n, \\ x_{n+1} &= \beta_n f(x_n) + (1 - \beta_n) y_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.5)$$

where f is a contraction, $\{\alpha_n\} \subset (0, 1)$ and $\{t_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$. They proved that $\{x_n\}$ defined by (1.4) and (1.5) converges strongly to an element q of $\text{Fix}(\mathcal{T})$, which is the unique solution of the following variation inequality problem:

$$\langle (f - I), j(x - q) \rangle \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in \text{Fix}(\mathcal{T}). \quad (1.6)$$

For more convergence theorems on implicit and explicit iterations for nonexpansive semigroups, refer to [7–13].

In this paper, we introduce an implicit and explicit iterative process by a generalized contraction for a finite family of nonexpansive semigroups in a Banach space. Then we prove the strong convergence for the iterations and our results extend the corresponding ones of Suzuki [2], Xu [3], Chen and He [5], and Chen et al. [6].

2. Preliminaries

Let E be a Banach space and E^* the duality space of E . We denote the normalized mapping from E to 2^{E^*} by J defined by

$$J(x) = \left\{ j \in E^* : \langle x, jx \rangle = \|x\|^2 = \|j\| \right\}, \quad \forall x \in E, \quad (2.1)$$

where $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ denotes the generalized duality pairing. For any $x, y \in E$ with $j(x) \in J(x)$ and $j(x+y) \in J(x+y)$, it is well known that the following inequality holds:

$$\|x\|^2 + 2\langle y, j(x) \rangle \leq \|x+y\|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 + 2\langle y, j(x+y) \rangle. \quad (2.2)$$

The dual mapping J is called weakly sequentially continuous if J is single valued, and $\{x_n\} \rightharpoonup x \in E$, where \rightharpoonup denotes the weak convergence, then $J(x_n)$ weakly star converges to $J(x)$ [14–16]. A Banach space E is called to satisfy Opial's condition [17] if for any sequence $\{x_n\}$ in E , $x_n \rightharpoonup x$,

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\| < \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y\|, \quad \forall y \in E \text{ with } x \neq y. \quad (2.3)$$

It is known that if E admits a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping J , then E is smooth and satisfies Opial's condition [14].

A function $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ is said to be an L -function if $\varphi(0) = 0$, $\varphi(t) > 0$ for any $t > 0$, and for every $t > 0$ and $s > 0$, there exists $u > s$ such that $\varphi(t) \leq s$, for all $t \in [s, u]$. This implies that $\varphi(t) < t$ for all $t > 0$.

Let $f : C \rightarrow C$ be a mapping. f is said to be a (φ, L) -contraction if there exists a L -function $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that $\|f(x) - f(y)\| < \varphi(\|x - y\|)$ for all $x, y \in C$ with $x \neq y$. Obviously, if $\varphi(t) = kt$ for all $t > 0$, where $k \in (0, 1)$, then f is a contraction. f is called a Meir-Keeler-type mapping if for each $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta(\epsilon) > 0$ such that for all $x, y \in C$, if $\epsilon < \|x - y\| < \epsilon + \delta$, then $\|f(x) - f(y)\| < \epsilon$.

In this paper, we always assume that $\varphi(t)$ is continuous, strictly increasing and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \eta(t) = \infty$, where $\eta(t) = t - \varphi(t)$, is strictly increasing and onto.

The following lemmas will be used in next section.

Lemma 2.1 (see [18]). *Let (X, d) be a metric space and $f : X \rightarrow X$ be a mapping. The following assertions are equivalent:*

- (i) f is a Meir-Keeler-type mapping,
- (ii) there exists an L -function $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ such that f is a (φ, L) -contraction.

Lemma 2.2 (see [19]). Let E be a Banach space and C be a convex subset of E . Let $T : C \rightarrow C$ be a nonexpansive mapping and f be a (ψ, L) -contraction. Then the following assertions hold:

- (i) $T \circ f$ is a (ψ, L) -contraction on C and has a unique fixed point in C ;
- (ii) for each $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, the mapping $x \mapsto \alpha f(x) + (1 - \alpha)Tx$ is of Meir-Keeler-type and it has a unique fixed point in C .

Lemma 2.3 (see [20]). Let E be a Banach space and C be a convex subset of E . Let $f : C \rightarrow C$ be a Meir-Keeler-type contraction. Then for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $r \in (0, 1)$ such that, for each $x, y \in C$ with $\|x - y\| \geq \epsilon$, $\|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq r\|x - y\|$.

Lemma 2.4 (see [21]). Let C be a closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space E . Let $T_m : C \rightarrow C$ be a nonexpansive mapping for each $1 \leq m \leq r$, where r is some integer. Suppose that $\bigcap_{m=1}^r \text{Fix}(T_m)$ is nonempty. Let $\{\lambda_n\}$ be a sequence of positive numbers with $\sum_{n=1}^r \lambda_n = 1$. Then the mapping $S : C \rightarrow C$ defined by

$$Sx = \sum_{m=1}^r \lambda_m T_m x, \quad \forall x \in C, \quad (2.4)$$

is well defined, nonexpansive and $\text{Fix}(S) = \bigcap_{m=1}^r \text{Fix}(T_m)$ holds.

Lemma 2.5 (see [22]). Assume that $\{\alpha_n\}$ is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers such that

$$\alpha_{n+1} \leq (1 - \gamma_n)\alpha_n + \delta_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}, \quad (2.5)$$

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

- (i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_n = 0$;
- (ii) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n = \infty$;
- (iii) $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_n / \gamma_n \leq 0$ or $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\delta_n| < \infty$.

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

3. Main Results

In this section, by a generalized contraction mapping we mean a Meir-Keeler-type mapping or (ψ, L) -contraction. In the rest of the paper we suppose that ψ from the definition of the (ψ, L) -contraction is continuous, strictly increasing and $\eta(t)$ is strictly increasing and onto, where $\eta(t) = t - \psi(t)$, for all $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$. As a consequence, we have the $\eta(t)$ is a bijection on \mathbb{R}^+ .

Theorem 3.1. Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a reflexive Banach space E which admits a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping J from E into E^* . For every $i = 1, \dots, N$ ($N \geq 1$), let $\mathcal{T}_i = \{T_i(t) : t \geq 0\}$ be a semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on C such that $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \text{Fix}(\mathcal{T}_i) \neq \emptyset$ and $f : C \rightarrow C$ be a generalized contraction on C . Let $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\} \subset [0, 1)$ and $\{t_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$ be

the sequences satisfying $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha_n/t_n) = 0$ and $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < 1$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence generated by

$$x_n = \alpha_n f(x_n) + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_{in}, \quad (3.1)$$

$$y_{in} = \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n) T_i(t_n) x_n, \quad i = 1, \dots, N.$$

Then $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to a point $x^* \in \mathcal{F}$, which is the unique solution to the following variational inequality:

$$\langle (f - I)x^*, j(x - x^*) \rangle \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{F}. \quad (3.2)$$

Proof. First, we show that the sequence $\{x_n\}$ generated by (3.1) is well defined. For every $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $i = 1, \dots, N$, let $U_{in} = \beta_n I + (1 - \beta_n) T_i(t_n)$ and define $W_n : C \rightarrow C$ by

$$W_n x = \alpha_n f(x) + (1 - \alpha_n) G_n x, \quad \forall x \in C, \quad (3.3)$$

where $G_n x = (1/N) \sum_{i=1}^N U_{in} x$. Since U_{in} is nonexpansive, G_n is nonexpansive. By Lemma 2.2 we see that W_n is a Meir-Keeler-type contraction for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence, each W_n has a unique fixed point, denoted as x_n , which uniquely solves the fixed point equation (3.3). Hence $\{x_n\}$ generated by (3.1) is well defined.

Now we prove that $\{x_n\}$ generated by (3.1) is bounded. For any $p \in \mathcal{F}$, we have

$$\|y_{in} - p\| \leq \beta_n \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \beta_n) \|T_i(t_n) x_n - p\| \leq \|x_n - p\|. \quad (3.4)$$

Using (3.4), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - p\|^2 &= \left\langle \alpha_n f(x_n) + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_{in} - p, j(x_n - p) \right\rangle \\ &= \alpha_n \langle f(x_n) - f(p), j(x_n - p) \rangle + \alpha_n \langle f(p) - p, j(x_n - p) \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \langle y_{in} - p, j(x_n - p) \rangle \\ &\leq \alpha_n \psi(\|x_n - p\|) \|x_n - p\| + \alpha_n \|f(p) - p\| \|x_n - p\| \\ &\quad + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|y_{in} - p\| \|x_n - p\| \\ &= \alpha_n \psi(\|x_n - p\|) \|x_n - p\| + \alpha_n \|f(p) - p\| \|x_n - p\| \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - p\|^2 \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

and hence

$$\|x_n - p\| \leq \varphi(\|x_n - p\|) + \|f(p) - p\|, \quad (3.6)$$

which implies that

$$\eta(\|x_n - p\|) = \|x_n - p\| - \varphi(\|x_n - p\|) \leq \|f(p) - p\|. \quad (3.7)$$

Hence

$$\|x_n - p\| \leq \eta^{-1}(\|f(p) - p\|). \quad (3.8)$$

This shows that $\{x_n\}$ is bounded, and so are $\{T_i(t_n)x_n\}$, $\{f(x_n)\}$ and $\{y_{in}\}$.

Since E is reflexivity and $\{x_n\}$ is bounded, there exists a subsequence $\{x_{n_j}\} \subset \{x_n\}$ such that $x_{n_j} \rightharpoonup x^*$ for some $x^* \in C$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$. Now we prove that $x^* \in \mathcal{F}$. For any fixed $t > 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x_{n_j} - T_i(t)x^*\| &\leq \sum_{i=1}^N \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor t/t_{n_j} \rfloor - 1} \|T_i((k+1)t_{n_j})x_{n_j} - T_i(kt_{n_j})x_{n_j}\| \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \left\| T_i\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_{n_j}}\right]t_{n_j}\right)x_{n_j} - T_i\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_{n_j}}\right]t_{n_j}\right)x^* \right\| + \left\| T_i\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_{n_j}}\right]t_{n_j}\right)x_{n_j} - T_i(t)x^* \right\| \right] \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^N \left[\left\| T_i(t_{n_j})x_{n_j} - x_{n_j} \right\| + \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| + \left\| T_i\left(t - \left[\frac{t}{t_{n_j}}\right]t_{n_j}\right)x_{n_j} - x^* \right\| \right] \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^N \left[\left\| T_i(t_{n_j})x_{n_j} - x_{n_j} \right\| + \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| + \max\{\|T_i(s)x^* - x^*\| : 0 \leq s \leq t_{n_j}\} \right] \\ &\leq \frac{N\alpha_{n_j} \lfloor t/t_{n_j} \rfloor}{(1 - \alpha_{n_j})(1 - \beta_{n_j})} \|x_{n_j} - f(x_{n_j})\| + N\|x_{n_j} - x^*\| \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^N \max\{\|T_i(s)x^* - x^*\| : 0 \leq s \leq t_{n_j}\} \\ &\leq \frac{Nt}{(1 - \alpha_{n_j})(1 - \beta_{n_j})} \frac{\alpha_{n_j}}{t_{n_j}} \|x_{n_j} - f(x_{n_j})\| + N\|x_{n_j} - x^*\| \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^N \max\{\|T_i(s)x^* - x^*\| : 0 \leq s \leq t_{n_j}\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

By hypothesis on $\{t_n\}, \{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\}$, we have

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{Nt}{(1 - \alpha_{n_j})(1 - \beta_{n_j})} \frac{\alpha_{n_j}}{t_{n_j}} = 0. \quad (3.10)$$

Further, from (3.9) we get

$$\limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x_{n_j} - T_i(t)x^*\| \leq \limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} N \|x_{n_j} - x^*\|. \quad (3.11)$$

Since E admits a weakly sequentially duality mapping, we see that E satisfies Opial's condition. Thus if $x^* \notin \mathcal{F}$, we have

$$\limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} N \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| < \limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x_{n_j} - T_i x^*\|. \quad (3.12)$$

This contradicts (3.11). So $x^* \in \mathcal{F}$.

In (3.5), replacing p with x^* and n with n_j , we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n_j} - x^*\|^2 &= \alpha_{n_j} \langle f(x_{n_j}) - f(x^*), j(x_{n_j} - x^*) \rangle + \alpha_{n_j} \langle f(x^*) - x^*, j(x_{n_j} - x^*) \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1 - \alpha_{n_j}}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \langle y_{in_j} - x^*, j(x_{n_j} - x^*) \rangle \\ &\leq \alpha_{n_j} \psi(\|x_{n_j} - x^*\|) \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| + \alpha_{n_j} \langle f(x^*) - x^*, j(x_{n_j} - x^*) \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1 - \alpha_{n_j}}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|y_{in_j} - x^*\| \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| \\ &\leq \alpha_{n_j} \psi(\|x_{n_j} - x^*\|) \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| + \alpha_{n_j} \langle f(x^*) - x^*, j(x_{n_j} - x^*) \rangle \\ &\quad + (1 - \alpha_{n_j}) \|x_n - p\|^2, \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

which implies that

$$\|x_{n_j} - x^*\| \left(\psi(\|x_{n_j} - x^*\|) - \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| \right) \leq \langle f(x^*) - x^*, j(x_{n_j} - x^*) \rangle. \quad (3.14)$$

Now we prove that $\{x_n\}$ is relatively sequentially compact. Since j is weakly sequentially continuous, we have

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| \left(\psi(\|x_{n_j} - x^*\|) - \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| \right) \leq 0, \quad (3.15)$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| = 0, \quad \text{or} \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} (\psi(\|x_{n_j} - x^*\|) - \|x_{n_j} - x^*\|) = 0. \quad (3.16)$$

If $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| = 0$, then $\{x_n\}$ is relatively sequentially compact. If $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} (\psi(\|x_{n_j} - x^*\|) - \|x_{n_j} - x^*\|) = 0$, we have $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \psi(\|x_{n_j} - x^*\|)$. Since ψ is continuous, $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| = \psi(\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - x^*\|)$. By the definition of ψ , we conclude that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{n_j} - x^*\| = 0$, which implies that $\{x_n\}$ is relatively sequentially compact.

Next, we prove that x^* is the solution to (3.2). Indeed, for any $x \in \mathcal{F}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - x\|^2 &= \langle \alpha_n(f(x_n) - x_n + x_n - x), j(x_n - x) \rangle + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \langle y_{in} - x, j(x_n - x) \rangle \\ &= \alpha_n \langle f(x_n) - x_n, j(x_n - x) \rangle + \alpha_n \langle x_n - x, j(x_n - x) \rangle \\ &\quad + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [\beta_n \langle x_n - x, j(x_n - x) \rangle + (1 - \beta_n) \langle T_i(t_n)x_n - x, j(x_n - x) \rangle] \\ &\leq \alpha_n \langle f(x_n) - x_n, j(x_n - x) \rangle + \alpha_n \|x_n - x\|^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [\beta_n \|x_n - x\|^2 + (1 - \beta_n) \|T_i(t_n)x_n - x\| \|x_n - x\|] \\ &\leq \alpha_n \langle f(x_n) - x_n, j(x_n - x) \rangle + \alpha_n \|x_n - x\|^2 \\ &\quad + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [\beta_n \|x_n - x\|^2 + (1 - \beta_n) \|x_n - x\|^2] \\ &= \alpha_n \langle f(x_n) - x_n, j(x_n - x) \rangle + \|x_n - x\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.17)$$

Therefore,

$$\langle f(x_n) - x_n, j(x - x_n) \rangle \leq 0. \quad (3.18)$$

Since $x_{n_j} \rightharpoonup x^*$ and j is weakly sequentially continuous, we have

$$\langle f(x^*) - x^*, j(x - x^*) \rangle = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \langle f(x_{n_j}) - x_{n_j}, j(x - x_{n_j}) \rangle \leq 0. \quad (3.19)$$

This shows that x^* is the solution of the variational inequality (3.2).

Finally, we prove that x^* is the unique solution of the variational inequality (3.2). Assume that $\hat{x} \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\hat{x} \neq x^*$ is another solution of (3.2). Then there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\|\hat{x} - x^*\| > \epsilon$. By Lemma 2.3 there exists $r \in (0, 1)$ such that $\|f(\hat{x}) - f(x^*)\| \leq r\|\hat{x} - x^*\|$. Since both \hat{x} and x^* are the solution of (3.2), we have

$$\langle f(x^*) - x^*, j(\hat{x} - x^*) \rangle \leq 0, \quad \langle f(\hat{x}) - \hat{x}, j(x^* - \hat{x}) \rangle \leq 0. \quad (3.20)$$

Adding the above inequalities, we get

$$0 < (1-r)\epsilon^2 < (1-r)\|\hat{x} - x^*\|^2 \leq \langle (I-f)x^* - (I-f)\hat{x}, j(x^* - \hat{x}) \rangle, \quad (3.21)$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore, we must have $\hat{x} = x^*$, which implies that x^* is the unique solution of (3.2).

In a similar way it can be shown that each cluster point of sequence $\{x_n\}$ is equal to x^* . Therefore, the entire sequence $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to x^* . This completes the proof. \square

If letting $\beta_n = 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ in Theorem 3.1, then we get the following.

Corollary 3.2. *Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a reflexive Banach space E which admits a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping J from E into E^* . For every $i = 1, \dots, N$ ($N \geq 1$), let $\mathcal{T}_i = \{T_i(t) : t \geq 0\}$ be a semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on C such that $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \text{Fix}(\mathcal{T}_i) \neq \emptyset$ and $f : C \rightarrow C$ be a generalized contraction on C . Let $\{\alpha_n\} \subset [0, 1)$ and $\{t_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$ be sequences satisfying $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\alpha_n/t_n) = 0$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence generated by*

$$x_n = \alpha_n f(x_n) + \frac{1 - \alpha_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N T_i(t_n) x_n. \quad (3.22)$$

Then $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to a point $x^* \in \mathcal{F}$, which is the unique solution to the following variational inequality:

$$\langle (f - I)x^*, j(x - x^*) \rangle \leq 0, \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{F}. \quad (3.23)$$

Theorem 3.3. *Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a reflexive and strictly convex Banach space E which admits a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping J from E into E^* . For every $i = 1, \dots, N$ ($N \geq 1$), let $\mathcal{T}_i = \{T_i(t) : t \geq 0\}$ be a semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on C such that $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \text{Fix}(\mathcal{T}_i) \neq \emptyset$ and $f : C \rightarrow C$ be a generalized contraction on C . Let $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\} \subset [0, 1)$ and $\{t_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$ be the sequences satisfying $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\beta_n/t_n) = 0$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence generated*

$$\begin{aligned} y_{in} &= \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T_i(t_n) x_n, \quad i = 1, \dots, N, \\ x_{n+1} &= \beta_n f(x_n) + \frac{1 - \beta_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_{in}, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

Then $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to a point $x^* \in \mathcal{F}$, which is the unique solution of variational inequality (3.2).

Proof. Let $p \in \mathcal{F}$ and $M = \max\{\|x_1 - p\|, \eta^{-1}(\|f(p) - p\|)\}$. Now we show by induction that

$$\|x_n - p\| \leq M, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (3.25)$$

It is obvious that (3.25) holds for $n = 1$. Suppose that (3.25) holds for some $n = k$, where $k > 1$. Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{ik} - p\| &= \|\alpha_k(x_k - p) + (1 - \alpha_k)(T_i(t_k)x_k - p)\| \\ &\leq \alpha_k\|x_k - p\| + (1 - \alpha_k)\|T_i(t_k)x_k - p\| \leq \|x_k - p\|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.26)$$

Now, by using (3.24) and (3.26), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{k+1} - p\| &= \left\| \beta_k(f(x_k) - p) + \frac{1 - \beta_k}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N (y_{ik} - p) \right\| \\ &\leq \beta_k\|f(x_k) - f(p)\| + \beta_k\|f(p) - p\| + \frac{1 - \beta_k}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|y_{ik} - p\| \\ &\leq \beta_k\psi(\|x_k - p\|) + \beta_k\|f(p) - p\| + \frac{1 - \beta_k}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \|x_k - p\| \\ &= \beta_k\psi(\|x_k - p\|) + \beta_k\|f(p) - p\| + (1 - \beta_k)\|x_k - p\| \\ &= \beta_k\psi(\|x_k - p\|) + \beta_k\eta(\eta^{-1}\|f(p) - p\|) + (1 - \beta_k)\|x_k - p\| \\ &\leq \beta_k\psi(M) + \beta_k\eta(M) + (1 - \beta_k)M \\ &= \beta_k\psi(M) + \beta_k(M - \psi(M)) + (1 - \beta_k)M = M. \end{aligned} \quad (3.27)$$

By induction we conclude that (3.25) holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Therefore, $\{x_n\}$ is bounded and so are $\{f(x_n)\}$, $\{y_{in}\}$, $\{T_i(t_n)x_n\}$.

For each $i = 1, \dots, N$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$, define the mapping $U(t_n) = (1/N) \sum_{i=1}^N S_i(t_n)$, where $S_i(t_n) = \alpha_n I + (1 - \alpha_n)T_i(t_n)$. Then we rewrite the sequence (3.24) to

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n f(x_n) + (1 - \beta_n)U(t_n)x_n. \quad (3.28)$$

Obviously, each $U(t_n)$ is nonexpansive. Since $\{x_n\}$ is bounded and E is reflexive, we may assume that some subsequence $\{x_{n_j}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ converges weakly to p . Next we show that $p \in \mathcal{F}$. Put $x_j = x_{n_j}$, $\beta_j = \beta_{n_j}$, and $t_j = t_{n_j}$ for each $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Fix $t > 0$. By (3.28) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_j - U(t)p\| &= \sum_{k=0}^{\lceil t/t_j \rceil - 1} \|U((k+1)t_j)x_j - U(kt_j)x_j\| \\ &\quad + \left\| U\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_j}\right]t_j\right)x_j - U\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_j}\right]t_j\right)p \right\| + \left\| U\left(\left[\frac{t}{t_j}\right]t_j\right)p - U(t)p \right\| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \left[\frac{t}{t_j} \right] \|U(t_j)x_j - x_{j+1}\| + \|x_{j+1} - p\| + \left\| U\left(t - \left[\frac{t}{t_j} \right] t_j\right) p - p \right\| \\
&= \left[\frac{t}{t_j} \right] \beta_j \|U(t_j)x_j - f(x_j)\| + \|x_{j+1} - p\| + \left\| U\left(t - \left[\frac{t}{t_j} \right] t_j\right) p - p \right\| \\
&\leq \frac{t\beta_j}{t_j} \|U(t_j)x_j - f(x_j)\| + \|x_{j+1} - p\| + \max\{\|U(s)p - p\| : 0 \leq s \leq t_j\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.29}$$

So, for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_j - U(t)p\| \leq \limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{j+1} - p\| = \limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|x_j - p\|. \tag{3.30}$$

Since E has a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping satisfying Opial's condition, this implies $p = U(t)p$. By Lemma 2.4, we have $\text{Fix}(U(t)) = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \text{Fix}(T_i(t))$ for each $t > 0$. Therefore, $p \in \mathcal{F}$. In view of the variational inequality (3.2) and the assumption that duality mapping J is weakly sequentially continuous, we conclude that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle (f - I)q, j(x_{n+1} - q) \rangle = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \langle (f - I)q, j(x_{n_j+1} - q) \rangle = \langle (I - f)q, j(p - q) \rangle \leq 0. \tag{3.31}$$

Finally, we prove that $x_n \rightarrow q$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Suppose that $\|x_n - q\| \not\rightarrow 0$. Then there exists $\epsilon > 0$ and subsequence $\{x_{n_j}\}$ of $\{x_n\}$ such that $\|x_{n_j} - q\| \geq \epsilon$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Put $x_j = x_{n_j}$, $\beta_j = \beta_{n_j}$ and $t_j = t_{n_j}$. By Lemma 2.3 one has $\|f(x_j) - f(q)\| \leq r\|x_j - q\|$ for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Now, from (2.2) and (3.28) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{j+1} - q\|^2 &= \|(1 - \beta_n)(U(t_j)x_j - q) + \beta_n(f(x_j) - q)\|^2 \\
&\leq (1 - \beta_j)^2 \|U(t_j)x_j - q\|^2 + 2\beta_j \langle f(x_j) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle \\
&\leq (1 - \beta_j)^2 \|x_j - q\|^2 + 2\beta_n \langle f(x_j) - f(q), j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle + 2\beta_j \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle \\
&\leq (1 - \beta_j)^2 \|x_j - q\|^2 + 2\beta_j r \|x_j - q\| \|x_{j+1} - q\| + 2\beta_n \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle \\
&\leq (1 - \beta_j)^2 \|x_j - q\|^2 + \beta_j r (\|x_j - q\|^2 + \|x_{j+1} - q\|^2) + 2\beta_j \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle \\
&= \left((1 - \beta_j)^2 + \beta_j r \right) \|x_j - q\|^2 + \beta_j r \|x_{j+1} - q\|^2 + 2\beta_j \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.32}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{j+1}\| &\leq \frac{1 - (2-r)\beta_j + \beta_j^2}{1 - \beta_j r} \|x_j - q\|^2 + \frac{2\beta_j}{1 - \beta_j r} \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle \\
&\leq \frac{1 - \beta_j r - 2(1-r)\beta_j}{1 - \beta_j r} \|x_j - q\|^2 + \frac{2\beta_j}{1 - \beta_j r} \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle + \beta_j^2 M \\
&= \left(1 - \frac{2(1-r)\beta_j}{1 - \beta_j r}\right) \|x_j - q\|^2 + \frac{2\beta_j}{1 - \beta_j r} \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle + \beta_j^2 M \\
&\leq (1 - 2(1-r)\beta_j) \|x_j - q\|^2 + \beta_j \left(\frac{2}{1-r} \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle + \beta_j M\right),
\end{aligned} \tag{3.33}$$

where M is a constant.

Let $\gamma_j = 2(1-r)\beta_j$ and $\delta_j = \beta_j((2/(1-r))\langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle + \beta_j M)$. It follows from (3.33) that

$$\|x_{j+1} - q\| \leq (1 - \gamma_j) \|x_j - q\| + \delta_j. \tag{3.34}$$

It is easy to see that $\gamma_j \rightarrow 0$, $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \gamma_j = \infty$ and (noting (3.28))

$$\begin{aligned}
\limsup_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\delta_j}{\gamma_j} &= \limsup \frac{1}{(1-r)^2} \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle + \frac{M}{2(1-r)} \beta_j, \\
\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(1-r)^2} \langle f(q) - q, j(x_{j+1} - q) \rangle &\leq 0.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.35}$$

Using Lemma 2.5, we conclude that $\|x_j - q\| \rightarrow 0$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$. It is a contradiction. Therefore, $x_n \rightarrow q$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. This completes the proof. \square

If letting $\alpha_n = 0$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ in Theorem 3.3, then we get the following.

Corollary 3.4. *Let C be a nonempty closed convex subset of a reflexive and strictly convex Banach space E which admits a weakly sequentially continuous duality mapping J from E into E^* . For every $i = 1, \dots, N$ ($N \geq 1$), let $\mathcal{T}_i = \{T_i(t) : t \geq 0\}$ be a semigroup of nonexpansive mappings on C such that $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \text{Fix}(\mathcal{T}_i) \neq \emptyset$ and $f : C \rightarrow C$ be a generalized contraction on C . Let $\{\beta_n\} \subset [0, 1)$ and $\{t_n\} \subset (0, \infty)$ be sequences satisfying $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\beta_n/t_n) = 0$. Let $\{x_n\}$ be a sequence generated*

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n f(x_n) + \frac{1 - \beta_n}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N T_i(t_n) x_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.36}$$

Then $\{x_n\}$ converges strongly to a point $x^* \in \mathcal{F}$, which is the unique solution of variational inequality (3.2).

Remark 3.5. Theorem 3.1 and Corollary 3.2 extend the corresponding ones of Suzuki [2], Xu [3], and Chen and He [5] from one nonexpansive semigroup to a finite family of nonexpansive semigroups. But Theorem 3.3 and Corollary 3.4 are not the extension of Theorem 3.2 of Chen and He [5] since Banach space in Theorem 3.3 and Corollary 3.4 is required to be strictly convex. But if letting $N = 1$ in Theorem 3.3 and Corollary 3.4, we can remove the restriction on strict convexity and hence they extend Theorem 3.2 of Chen and He [5] from a contraction to a generalized contraction.

Remark 3.6. Our Theorem 3.1 extends and improves Theorems 3.2 and 4.2 of Song and Xu [4] from a nonexpansive semigroup to a finite family of nonexpansive semigroups and a contraction to a generalized contraction. Our conditions on the control sequences are different with ones of Song and Xu [4].

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