

# Improved Subgradient Extragradient Methods for Solving Pseudomonotone Variational Inequalities in Hilbert Spaces

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## Abstract

The purpose of this work is to investigate pseudomonotone and Lipschitz continuous variational inequalities in real Hilbert spaces. For solving this problem, we propose two new methods which combine advantages of the subgradient extragradient method and the projection contraction method. Similar to some recent developments, the proposed methods do not require the knowledge of the Lipschitz constant associated with the variational inequality mapping. Under suitable mild conditions, we establish the weak and strong convergence of the proposed algorithms. Moreover, linear convergence is obtained under strong pseudomonotonicity and Lipschitz continuity assumptions. Numerical examples in fractional programming and optimal control problems demonstrate the potential of our algorithms as well as compare their performances to several related results.

**Key words:** Projection and contraction method; subgradient extragradient method; Mann type method; variational inequality problem; pseudomonotone mapping.

## 1 Introduction

Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and norm  $\| \cdot \|$ . Let  $C$  be a nonempty, closed and convex subset of  $H$ . Let  $A : H \rightarrow H$  be a single-valued continuous mapping. We consider classical variational inequality (VI) in the sense of Fichera [18] and Stampacchia [37] (see also Kinderlehrer and Stampacchia [25]) which is formulated as follows: Find a point  $x^* \in C$  such that

$$\langle Ax^*, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in C. \quad (1)$$

We denote by  $\Omega$  the solution set of the VI (1), which is assumed to be nonempty.

Variational inequality (VI) is a very general mathematical model with numerous applications in economics, engineering mechanics, transportation, and many more, see for example, [3, 17, 25, 26]. During the last decades, many algorithms for solving VIs have been proposed in the literature, see e.g. [15, 16, 17, 25]. Typically, some kinds of monotonicity are needed for proving the convergence of proposed algorithms. While most of the existing methods are applicable to solving monotone VIs, there are only a few methods can be applied to solving pseudomonotone VIs. It is well known that pseudoconvexity of a function can be characterized by pseudomonotonicity of the gradient mapping [2, 20]. One of the most important applications of pseudoconvex problem is the fractional programming. Indeed, a fractional function is pseudocovex provided that the

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enumerator is convex, the denominator is concave and both of them are positive and differentiable [5]. This motivates researchers to study numerical methods for solving pseudoconvex programming and pseudomonotone VIs.

Korpelevich [27] (also by Antipin [1] independently) introduced the extragradient method for solving pseudomonotone VIs, which requires two projections onto the feasible set in each iteration. One of the important extensions of the extragradient method is the projection and contraction method proposed by He [21] and Sun [38]. This method also consists of two inner steps per iteration but using a different direction which improved significantly the speed of convergence when compared with the extragradient method [6, 21, 38]. Another important extension of the extragradient method is known as the subgradient extragradient method proposed by Censor et al. [11]. In this method, the second projection onto the feasible set is replaced by a projection onto an easy and constructible half-space containing the feasible set. Since the projection onto a half-space is explicit, the subgradient extragradient method significantly reduces the amount of computation comparing to the extragradient method. A combination of these extensions has been recently considered in [14], which takes advantages of both the projection contraction method and the subgradient extragradient method. A drawback of this method is that, to determine stepsizes, it requires line-search procedures containing many additional projections.

The extragradient method and its modifications have been considered for solving VIs in infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces. It was proved that, if the assigned operator is monotone and Lipschitz continuous, then the iterative sequence generated by the extragradient method converges weakly to a solution [23]. Similar results have been also obtained for the subgradient extragradient method [9, 10, 40] and the projection contraction method [13, 14]. The extension of these methods to pseudomonotone VIs, however, is not a trivial task. The reason is that, in the monotone setting, one can use the theory of maximal monotone operators to deliver the convergence of the iterative sequence, which is not the case in the pseudomonotone setting. The first attempt in this direction was done in [8], where the authors assumed that the assigned operator is *weakly-strongly* continuous, i.e., it maps a weakly convergent sequence to a strongly convergence sequence. This assumption is very strong and does not hold even in the simplest case where the assigned operator is the identity one. Recently it has been weakened to a more reasonable *weak-weak* continuity condition for the extragradient method in [42, 43]. Similar results for the subgradient extragradient method [42, Remark 3.3] and the forward-backward-forward method [4] were proved by using the same technique. In the convergence analysis of these methods, it is required to know the Lipschitz constant a priori, which is not a simple task. In this paper, motivated by recently active research on pseudomonotone VIs, we propose some new modified schemes of the subgradient extragradient method for solving pseudomonotone and Lipschitz-continuous variational inequalities in real Hilbert spaces. Our schemes have some significant advantages: firstly, no line-search procedure is needed, which reduces the amount of computation in each step. Secondly, they do not require a priori the knowledge of the Lipschitz constant of the associated operator, which is important in practice. Lastly, they are applicable to pseudomonotone VIs, a strictly broader class than monotone VIs [2, 20].

After recalling the problem and some basic definitions and results in Section 2, we propose our first scheme and prove the weak convergence of the iterative sequence to a solution of the considered VI in Section 3. As we are working in infinite dimensional Hilbert spaces, the strong convergence is more desirable. Therefore, in Section 4, we modify the first scheme such that the strong convergence can be guaranteed. In Section 5 we present some numerical experiments illustrating the performance of the proposed methods. To demonstrate the pseudomonotonicity, we present numerical results for a class of fractional programming which is pseudoconvex. For the strong convergence illustration, we consider a class of VIs arising in optimal control problem with

bang-bang control. Final remarks and conclusions are given in Section 6.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space with inner product  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  and norm  $\| \cdot \|$ . The weak convergence of  $\{x_n\}$  to  $x$  is denoted by  $x_n \rightharpoonup x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , while the strong convergence of  $\{x_n\}$  to  $x$  is written as  $x_n \rightarrow x$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . For all  $x, y \in H$  we have

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

Moreover

$$\|\alpha x + \beta y + \gamma z\|^2 = \alpha\|x\|^2 + \beta\|y\|^2 + \gamma\|z\|^2 - \alpha\beta\|x - y\|^2 - \alpha\gamma\|x - z\|^2 - \beta\gamma\|y - z\|^2 \quad (3)$$

for all  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in [0, 1]$  with  $\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 1$ .

**Definition 2.1.** ([32, Chapter 9]). *Suppose that a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $H$  converges strongly to  $p \in H$ . We say that  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $p$  with a  $Q$ -linear rate if there exists  $\delta \in (0, 1)$  such that,*

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|x_{n+1} - p\|}{\|x_n - p\|} = \delta, \quad (4)$$

where  $Q$ -convergence rate means Quotient-convergence rate. It can define equivalently as follows:

*The sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $H$  converges strongly to  $p \in H$  with a  $Q$ -linear rate if there exists  $\delta \in (0, 1)$  such that,*

$$\|x_{n+1} - p\| \leq \delta \|x_n - p\| \quad \text{for all sufficiently large } n \quad (5)$$

**Definition 2.2.** *Let  $T : H \rightarrow H$  be an operator. Then*

1.  *$T$  is called  $L$ -Lipschitz continuous with constant  $L > 0$  if*

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq L\|x - y\| \quad \forall x, y \in H,$$

*if  $L = 1$  then the operator  $T$  is called nonexpansive and if  $L \in (0, 1)$ ,  $T$  is called a contraction.*

2.  *$T$  is called monotone if*

$$\langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x, y \in H;$$

3.  *$T$  is called pseudomonotone in the sense of Karamardian [22] if*

$$\langle Tx, y - x \rangle \geq 0 \implies \langle Ty, y - x \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x, y \in H; \quad (6)$$

4.  *$T$  is called  $\alpha$ -strongly monotone if there exists a constant  $\alpha > 0$  such that*

$$\langle Tx - Ty, x - y \rangle \geq \alpha\|x - y\|^2 \quad \forall x, y \in H;$$

5.  *$T$  is called  $\alpha$ -strongly pseudomonotone if there exists a constant  $\alpha > 0$  such that*

$$\langle Tx, y - x \rangle \geq 0 \implies \langle Ty, y - x \rangle \geq \alpha\|x - y\|^2 \quad \forall x, y \in H;$$

6. *The operator  $T$  is called sequentially weakly continuous if for each sequence  $\{x_n\}$  we have:  $x_n$  converges weakly to  $x$  implies  $Tx_n$  converges weakly to  $Tx$ .*

We note that (6) is only one of the definitions of pseudomonotonicity which can be found in the literature. For every point  $x \in H$ , there exists a unique nearest point in  $C$ , denoted by  $P_C x$  such that  $\|x - P_C x\| \leq \|x - y\| \forall y \in C$ .  $P_C$  is called the *metric projection* of  $H$  onto  $C$ . It is known that  $P_C$  is nonexpansive. For properties of the metric projection, the interested reader could be referred to Section 3 in [19].

We recall some well known projection methods for solving (pseudo)monotone VIs considered in the literature. The most well known one is *extragradient method* proposed by Korpelevich [27] (also by Antipin [1] independently). Consider the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and let  $A : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  be monotone and  $L$ -Lipschitz continuous operator. The extragradient method has the following form

$$\begin{cases} y_n = P_C(x_n - \tau_n A x_n), \\ x_{n+1} = P_C(x_n - \tau_n A y_n), \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

where  $\tau_n \in (0, 1/L)$  or  $\tau_n$  is updated by an adaptive rule such that

$$\tau_n \|A x_n - A y_n\| \leq \mu \|x_n - y_n\|, \quad \mu \in (0, 1). \quad (8)$$

Observe that the extragradient method requires the evaluation of two orthogonal projections onto  $C$  per iteration. The first method which overcomes this obstacle is the *projection and contraction method* (PC) of He [21] and Sun [38]. For each iteration  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  generates point  $y_n$  in the spirit of (7):

$$y_n = P_C(x_n - \tau_n A x_n),$$

and then the next iterate  $x_{n+1}$  is generated via the following

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \gamma \eta_n d(x_n, y_n),$$

where  $\gamma \in (0, 2)$ ,

$$\eta_n := \frac{\langle x_n - y_n, d(x_n, y_n) \rangle}{\|d(x_n, y_n)\|^2},$$

and

$$d(x_n, y_n) := x_n - y_n - \tau_n (A x_n - A y_n), \quad (9)$$

with  $\tau_n \in (0, 1/L)$  or  $\tau_n$  is updated by some adaptive rule like (8).

The second extension of the extragradient method is known as the *subgradient extragradient method* proposed by Censor et al. [9, 10, 11]. In this algorithm, the second projection onto the feasible set  $C$  is replaced by a projection onto an easy and constructible set which contains  $C$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  generate the following sequences,

$$\begin{cases} y_n = P_C(x_n - \tau A x_n), \\ T_n = \{x \in H \mid \langle x_n - \tau A x_n - y_n, x - y_n \rangle \leq 0\}, \\ x_{n+1} = P_{T_n}(x_n - \tau A y_n), \end{cases}$$

where  $\tau \in (0, 1/L)$ .

Since the projection and contraction and the subgradient extragradient methods require to calculate only one projection onto  $C$  per iteration, their computational efforts and performance have an advantage over other existing results in the literature. Recently, [14] introduced a modification of the subgradient extragradient method by using the direction of the projection and contraction method and stepsize rule  $\tau_n$  satisfying (8). The fact that in order to determine the stepsize  $\tau_n$ ,

[14, Algorithm 3.1] requires a line-search procedure which contains additional projections. At iteration  $n$ , if this procedure requires many steps to obtain the appropriate  $\tau_n$  then many projections are needed. On the other hand, [44] proposed two modifications of the subgradient extragradient method without using the projection contraction direction (9) but an adaptive rule which does not require line-search. Observe that the aforementioned methods are applicable to solving monotone Lipschitz VIs. We will propose in this paper some new methods improving the aforementioned methods. To do so, we need to recall the following Lemmas, which are useful for the later convergence analysis.

**Lemma 2.1.** ([19]) *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . Given  $x \in H$  and  $z \in C$ . Then  $z = P_C x \iff \langle x - z, z - y \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall y \in C$ . Moreover,*

$$\|P_C x - P_C y\|^2 \leq \langle P_C x - P_C y, x - y \rangle \quad \forall x, y \in C.$$

**Lemma 2.2.** ([31]) *Let  $C$  be a nonempty set of  $H$  and  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $H$  such that the following two conditions hold:*

- i) for every  $x \in C$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x\|$  exists;*
- ii) every sequential weak cluster point of  $\{x_n\}$  is in  $C$ .*

*Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to a point in  $C$ .*

**Lemma 2.3.** ([12]) *Consider the problem  $VI(C, A)$  with  $C$  being a nonempty, closed, convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$  and  $A : C \rightarrow H$  being pseudomonotone and continuous. Then,  $x^*$  is a solution of  $VI(C, A)$  if and only if*

$$\langle Ax, x - x^* \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in C.$$

**Lemma 2.4.** ([35]) *Let  $\{a_n\}$  be sequence of nonnegative real numbers,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers in  $(0, 1)$  with  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$  and  $\{b_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers. Assume that*

$$a_{n+1} \leq (1 - \alpha_n)a_n + \alpha_n b_n \quad \forall n \geq 1.$$

*If  $\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{n_k} \leq 0$  for every subsequence  $\{a_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{a_n\}$  satisfying  $\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} (a_{n_{k+1}} - a_{n_k}) \geq 0$  then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .*

### 3 Weak Convergence Analysis

In this section, we propose modified subgradient extragradient and projection contraction methods for solving VIs.

#### Algorithm 3.1.

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**Initialization:** Given  $\tau_0 > 0, \mu \in (0, 1), \gamma \in (0, 2)$ . Let  $u_0 \in H$  be arbitrary

**Iterative Steps:** Given the current iterate  $u_n$ , calculate  $u_{n+1}$  as follows:

**Step 1.** Compute

$$v_n = P_C(u_n - \tau_n A u_n).$$

If  $u_n = v_n$  or  $A v_n = 0$  then stop and  $v_n$  is a solution of  $\Omega$ . Otherwise

**Step 2.** Compute

$$u_{n+1} = P_{T_n}(u_n - \gamma\tau_n\eta_n Av_n),$$

where

$$T_n = \{x \in H \mid \langle u_n - \tau_n Au_n - v_n, x - v_n \rangle \leq 0\},$$

$$\eta_n := \begin{cases} \frac{\langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle}{\|d_n\|^2} & \text{if } d_n \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } d_n = 0, \end{cases}$$

and

$$d_n := u_n - v_n - \tau_n(Au_n - Av_n).$$

**Step 3.** Update

$$\tau_{n+1} := \mu \frac{\|u_n - v_n\|}{\|Au_n - Av_n\|} \quad \text{if } \tau_n \|Au_n - Av_n\| > \mu \|u_n - v_n\|, \quad \text{otherwise } \tau_{n+1} := \tau_n. \quad (10)$$

Set  $n := n + 1$  and go to **Step 1**.

Observe that the projection onto half-space  $T_n$  in Step 2 is explicit [7, Section 4.1.3, p. 133], therefore, Algorithm 3.1 requires only one projection in Step 1. Moreover, the stepsize  $\tau_n$  is updated adaptively in Step 3 without requiring the knowledge of the Lipschitz constant  $L$ . We start the convergence analysis by proving the following Lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Assume that  $A$  is  $L$ -Lipschitz continuous on  $H$ . Then the sequence  $\{\tau_n\}$  generated by (10) is nonincreasing and*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n = \tau \geq \min \left\{ \tau_0, \frac{\mu}{L} \right\}.$$

Moreover

$$\|Au_n - Av_n\| \leq \frac{\mu}{\tau_{n+1}} \|u_n - v_n\|. \quad (11)$$

*Proof:* It is easy to prove this lemma, hence we omit it.  $\square$

If at some iteration we have  $u_n = v_n$  or  $Av_n = 0$  then Algorithm 3.1 terminates and  $v_n \in \Omega$ . From now on, we assume that  $u_n \neq v_n$  and  $Av_n \neq 0$  for all  $n$ .

**Lemma 3.2.** *Assume that  $A$  is Lipschitz continuous on  $H$  and pseudomonotone on  $C$ . Then for every  $x^* \in \Omega$ , there exists  $n_0 > 0$  such that*

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_n - u_{n+1} - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

*Proof:* Using (11), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|d_n\| &= \|u_n - v_n - \tau_n(Au_n - Av_n)\| \\ &\geq \|u_n - v_n\| - \tau_n \|Au_n - Av_n\| \\ &\geq \|u_n - v_n\| - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}} \|u_n - v_n\| \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\|. \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) = 1 - \mu > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}} > \frac{1 - \mu}{2} \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

Therefore, for all  $n \geq n_0$  we get

$$\|d_n\| \geq \frac{1 - \mu}{2} \|u_n - v_n\| > 0. \quad (13)$$

Since  $x^* \in \Omega \subset C \subset T_n$ , using Lemma 2.1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &= \|P_{T_n}(u_n - \gamma\eta_n\tau_n Av_n) - P_{T_n}x^*\|^2 \\ &\leq \langle u_{n+1} - x^*, u_n - \gamma\eta_n\tau_n Av_n - x^* \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|u_n - \gamma\eta_n\tau_n Av_n - x^*\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|u_{n+1} - u_n + \gamma\eta_n\tau_n Av_n\|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|u_n - x^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \gamma^2 \eta_n^2 \tau_n^2 \|Av_n\|^2 - \langle u_n - x^*, \gamma\eta_n\tau_n Av_n \rangle \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \|u_{n+1} - u_n\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \gamma^2 \eta_n^2 \tau_n^2 \|Av_n\|^2 - \langle u_{n+1} - u_n, \gamma\eta_n\tau_n Av_n \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + \frac{1}{2} \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \frac{1}{2} \|u_{n+1} - u_n\|^2 - \langle u_{n+1} - x^*, \gamma\eta_n\tau_n Av_n \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n+1} - u_n\|^2 - 2\gamma\eta_n\tau_n \langle u_{n+1} - x^*, Av_n \rangle. \quad (14)$$

Since  $v_n \in C$  and  $x^* \in \Omega$ , we get  $\langle Ax^*, v_n - x^* \rangle \geq 0$ . By the pseudomonotonicity of  $A$ , we have  $\langle Av_n, v_n - x^* \rangle \geq 0$ , which implies

$$\langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \geq \langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle.$$

Thus, we obtain

$$-2\gamma\eta_n\tau_n \langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \leq -2\gamma\eta_n\tau_n \langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle. \quad (15)$$

On the other hand, from  $u_{n+1} \in T_n$  we have

$$\langle u_n - \tau_n Au_n - v_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle \leq 0.$$

This implies that

$$\langle u_n - v_n - \tau_n(Au_n - Av_n), u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle \leq \tau_n \langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle,$$

thus

$$\langle d_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle \leq \tau_n \langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle.$$

Hence

$$-2\gamma\eta_n\tau_n \langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle \leq -2\gamma\eta_n \langle d_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle. \quad (16)$$

Combining (15) and (16) we get

$$\begin{aligned} -2\gamma\eta_n\tau_n \langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - x^* \rangle &\leq -2\gamma\eta_n \langle d_n, u_{n+1} - v_n \rangle \\ &= -2\gamma\eta_n \langle d_n, u_n - v_n \rangle + 2\gamma\eta_n \langle d_n, u_n - u_{n+1} \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

From (13), we have  $d_n \neq 0 \quad \forall n \geq n_0$ , thus  $\eta_n = \frac{\langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle}{\|d_n\|^2}$ , which means

$$\langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle = \eta_n \|d_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (18)$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} 2\gamma\eta_n \langle d_n, u_n - u_{n+1} \rangle &= 2\langle \gamma\eta_n d_n, u_n - u_{n+1} \rangle \\ &= \|u_n - u_{n+1}\|^2 + \gamma^2 \eta_n^2 \|d_n\|^2 - \|u_n - u_{n+1} - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

Combining (17), (18) and (19) we get for all  $n \geq n_0$  that

$$\begin{aligned} -2\gamma\eta_n \tau_n \langle Av_n, u_{n+1} - x^* \rangle &\leq -2\gamma\eta_n^2 \|d_n\|^2 + \|u_n - u_{n+1}\|^2 + \gamma^2 \eta_n^2 \|d_n\|^2 - \|u_n - u_{n+1} - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 \\ &= \|u_n - u_{n+1}\|^2 - \|u_n - u_{n+1} - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma\eta_n^2 \|d_n\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

Substituting (20) into (14) we get

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_n - u_{n+1} - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma\eta_n^2 \|d_n\|^2. \quad (21)$$

Now, we estimate  $\eta_n$ . We have from (11) that

$$\|d_n\| \leq \|u_n - v_n\| + \tau_n \|Au_n - Av_n\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\|.$$

Hence

$$\|d_n\|^2 \leq \left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2 \|u_n - v_n\|^2,$$

or equivalently

$$\frac{1}{\|d_n\|^2} \geq \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2 \|u_n - v_n\|^2}.$$

Again from (11) we find

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle &= \|u_n - v_n\|^2 - \tau_n \langle u_n - v_n, Au_n - Av_n \rangle \\ &\geq \|u_n - v_n\|^2 - \tau_n \|u_n - v_n\| \|Au_n - Av_n\| \\ &\geq \|u_n - v_n\|^2 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\|^2. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Hence for all  $n \geq n_0$

$$\eta_n \|d_n\|^2 = \langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle \geq \left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad (23)$$

and

$$\eta_n = \frac{\langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle}{\|d_n\|^2} \geq \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}. \quad (24)$$



Combining (23) and (24), we get

$$\eta_n^2 \|d_n\|^2 \geq \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (25)$$

It follows from (21) and (25) that

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_n - u_{n+1} - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

□

In the following result, we use the technique developed in [41, Lemma 3.3], where the sequential weak continuity of  $A$  plays the key role, see also [42, 43].

**Lemma 3.3.** *Assume that  $A$  is Lipschitz continuous, pseudomonotone on  $H$  and sequentially weakly continuous on  $C$ . If there exists a subsequence  $\{u_{n_k}\}$  convergent weakly to  $z \in H$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{n_k} - v_{n_k}\| = 0$ , then  $z \in \Omega$ .*

**Remark 3.1.** *The imposed sequential weak lower semicontinuity of  $\|Ax\|$  can be omitted in one of the following cases: either  $A$  is monotone (see, [43]), or  $A$  is strongly pseudomonotone (see Theorem 3.2 below).*

We are now in the position to establish the first main result of this section.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Assume that  $A$  is Lipschitz continuous, pseudomonotone on  $H$  and sequentially weakly continuous on  $C$ . Then the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  generated by Algorithm 3.1 converges weakly to an element of  $\Omega$ .*

*Proof:* Let  $p \in \Omega$ . Thanks to Lemma 3.2 there exists  $n_0 > 0$  such that

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_n - u_{n+1} - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

Thus

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\| \leq \|u_n - x^*\| \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

This implies that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|u_n - x^*\|$  exists, thus the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is bounded. On the other hand, according to Lemma 3.2, we get

$$(2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

This implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|u_n - v_n\| = 0. \quad (26)$$

Consequently,  $\{v_n\}$  is bounded. Since  $\{u_n\}$  is a bounded sequence, there exists the subsequence  $\{u_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{u_n\}$  such that  $\{u_{n_k}\}$  converges weakly to  $z \in H$ . It follows from Lemma 3.3 and (26) that  $z \in \Omega$ .

Therefore, we have showed that:

- i) For every  $x^* \in \Omega$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|u_n - x^*\|$  exists;
- ii) Every sequential weak cluster point of the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is in  $\Omega$ .

By Lemma 2.2 the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  converges weakly to an element of  $\Omega$ . □

**Remark 3.2.** 1. *Our result improves the related results in the literature and hence might be applied to a wider class of mappings. For example, we next present the advantage of our method compared with the recent result [14, Theorem 3.1]. In Theorem 3.1,  $A : H \rightarrow H$  is assumed to be pseudomonotone on  $H$  and sequentially weakly continuous on  $C$  instead of monotone on  $H$  in [14]. In particular, unlike [14, Algorithm 3.1] we use only one projection on the feasible set to design the proposed algorithm. Comparing with [39], our method does not require any line-search.*

2. *Similar to [4], since the sequence  $(u_n)_{n \geq 0}$  generated by Algorithm 3.1 may not be feasible, we need to ask in the convergence analysis that  $A$  is Lipschitz continuous on the whole space  $H$ . However, if the feasible set  $C$  is bounded, then we can weaken this assumption by asking that  $A$  is Lipschitz continuous on the bounded set*

$$D := \{x + y : x \in C, \|y\| \leq d\},$$

where  $d$  denotes the diameter of  $C$  (see [4, Remark 3.3]).

Before ending this section, we provide a result on the convergence rate of the iterative sequence generated by Algorithm 3.1.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Assume that  $A$  is  $L$ -Lipschitz continuous on  $H$  and  $\kappa$ -strongly pseudomonotone on  $C$ . Then the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  generated by Algorithm 3.1 converges strongly to the unique solution  $x^*$  of (1) with a  $Q$ -linear rate.*

*Proof:* Under assumptions made, it was proved that (1) has a unique solution [24]. Since  $\langle Av_n, v_n - x^* \rangle \geq \kappa \|v_n - x^*\|^2$ , from the  $\kappa$ -strong pseudomonotonicity of  $A$ , using (11) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \langle Au_n, x^* - v_n \rangle &= \langle Au_n - Av_n, x^* - v_n \rangle - \langle Av_n, v_n - x^* \rangle \\ &\leq \|Au_n - Av_n\| \|v_n - x^*\| - \kappa \|v_n - x^*\|^2 \\ &\leq \frac{\mu}{\tau_{n+1}} \|u_n - v_n\| \|v_n - x^*\| - \kappa \|v_n - x^*\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

By the definition of  $v_n$  we have

$$\langle u_n - \tau_n Au_n - v_n, v_n - x^* \rangle \geq 0.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u_n - v_n, x^* - v_n \rangle &\leq \tau_n \langle Au_n, x^* - v_n \rangle \\ &\leq \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}} \|u_n - v_n\| \|v_n - x^*\| - \tau_n \kappa \|v_n - x^*\|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
\tau_n \kappa \|v_n - x^*\|^2 &\leq \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}} \|u_n - v_n\| \|v_n - x^*\| - \langle u_n - v_n, v_n - x^* \rangle \\
&\leq \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}} \|u_n - v_n\| \|v_n - x^*\| + \|u_n - v_n\| \|v_n - x^*\| \\
&= \left(1 + \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\| \|v_n - x^*\|.
\end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\tau_n \kappa \|v_n - x^*\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\|. \quad (27)$$

Since  $\tau_n \geq \tau := \min\left\{\tau_0, \frac{\mu}{L}\right\}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tau_n = \tau > 0$ , there exists  $\beta > 0$  such that  $\tau \leq \tau_n \leq \beta$  for all  $n$ . Therefore, together with (27) we get

$$\tau \kappa \|v_n - x^*\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\mu \beta}{\tau}\right) \|u_n - v_n\| = \frac{\tau + \mu \beta}{\tau} \|u_n - v_n\|.$$

Thus,

$$\|v_n - x^*\| \leq \frac{\tau + \mu \beta}{\tau^2 \kappa} \|u_n - v_n\|.$$

Moreover,

$$\|u_n - x^*\| \leq \|u_n - v_n\| + \|v_n - x^*\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\tau + \mu \beta}{\tau^2 \kappa}\right) \|u_n - v_n\|.$$

This implies that

$$\|u_n - v_n\| \geq \frac{\tau^2 \kappa}{\tau^2 \kappa + \tau + \mu \beta} \|u_n - x^*\|. \quad (28)$$

From Lemma 3.2, there exists  $n_0 > 0$  large enough such that

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - (2 - \gamma) \gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \quad (29)$$

$$1 - \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}} > \frac{1 - \mu}{2} > 0 \quad \forall n \geq n_0, \quad (30)$$

and

$$1 + \frac{\mu \tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}} \leq 1 + \frac{\mu \beta}{\tau}. \quad (31)$$

Combining (29), (30) and (31), we find that

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - (2 - \gamma) \gamma \frac{\left(\frac{1 - \mu}{2}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu \beta}{\tau}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (32)$$

Substituting (28) into (32), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(\frac{1 - \mu}{2}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\beta}{\tau}\right)^2} \left(\frac{\tau^2\kappa}{\tau^2\kappa + \tau + \mu\beta}\right)^2 \|u_n - x^*\|^2 \\ &= \left(1 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(\frac{1 - \mu}{2}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\beta}{\tau}\right)^2} \left(\frac{\tau^2\kappa}{\tau^2\kappa + \tau + \mu\beta}\right)^2\right) \|u_n - x^*\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

Setting

$$r := 1 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(\frac{1 - \mu}{2}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\beta}{\tau}\right)^2} \left(\frac{\tau^2\kappa}{\tau^2\kappa + \tau + \mu\beta}\right)^2,$$

we obtain

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq r \|u_n - x^*\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0,$$

which implies that  $r \geq 0$ . Moreover, it is clear that  $r < 1$ . Hence, the preceding inequality shows that  $\{u_n\}$  converges linearly to  $x^*$  with a Q-linear convergence rate  $\sqrt{r} \in [0, 1)$ .  $\square$

## 4 Strong Convergence Analysis

Although Theorem 3.2 provides the strong convergence of Algorithm 3.1 with a Q-linear rate, the restrictive condition that  $A$  is strongly pseudomonotone prevents its applications. In this section, we incorporate the technique of Mann type method [29, 34] into Algorithm 3.1 to relax the condition strongly pseudomonotone and still obtain the strong convergence. The algorithm is of the form:

### Algorithm 4.1.

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**Initialization:** Given  $\tau_0 > 0, \mu \in (0, 1), \gamma \in (0, 2)$ . Let  $u_0 \in H$  be arbitrary

**Iterative Steps:** Given the current iterate  $u_n$ , calculate  $u_{n+1}$  as follows:

**Step 1.** Compute

$$v_n = P_C(u_n - \tau_n A u_n),$$

If  $u_n = v_n$  or  $A v_n = 0$  then stop and  $v_n$  is a solution of  $\Omega$ . Otherwise

**Step 2.** Compute

$$z_n = P_{T_n}(u_n - \gamma \tau_n \eta_n A v_n),$$

where

$$T_n = \{x \in H \mid \langle u_n - \tau_n A u_n - v_n, x - v_n \rangle \leq 0\},$$

$$\eta_n := \begin{cases} \frac{\langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle}{\|d_n\|^2} & \text{if } d_n \neq 0, \\ 0 & \text{if } d_n = 0, \end{cases}$$

and

$$d_n := u_n - v_n - \tau_n(Au_n - Av_n).$$

**Step 3.** Compute

$$u_{n+1} = (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)u_n + \beta_n z_n,$$

update

$$\tau_{n+1} := \mu \frac{\|u_n - v_n\|}{\|Au_n - Av_n\|} \quad \text{if} \quad \tau_n \|Au_n - Av_n\| > \mu \|u_n - v_n\|, \quad \text{otherwise} \quad \tau_{n+1} := \tau_n. \quad (34)$$

Set  $n := n + 1$  and go to **Step 1**.

To guarantee the strong convergence, we assume that the sequences  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  satisfy the following condition.

**Condition 4.1.** Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  be two real sequences in  $(0, 1)$  such that  $\{\beta_n\} \subset (a, 1 - \alpha_n)$  for some  $a > 0$  and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0, \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty.$$

The main result of this section is established as follow:

**Theorem 4.1.** Assume that  $A$  is Lipschitz continuous, pseudomonotone on  $H$  and sequentially weakly continuous on  $C$ . Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  satisfy Condition 4.1. Then the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  generated by Algorithm 4.1 converges strongly to an element  $x^* \in \Omega$ , where  $\|x^*\| = \arg \min\{\|z\| : z \in \Omega\}$ .

*Proof:* First, we note from (13) that there always exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\|d_n\| \geq \left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\| > 0 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

Furthermore, by Lemma 3.2, we have

$$\|z_n - x^*\|^2 \leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_n - z_n - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 - (2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (35)$$

Thus

$$\|z_n - x^*\| \leq \|u_n - x^*\| \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (36)$$

The proof will be divided into several steps.

**Step 1.** The sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is bounded.

On the one hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_{n+1} - x^*\| &= \|(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)u_n + \beta_n z_n - x^*\| \\ &= \|(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)(u_n - x^*) + \beta_n(z_n - x^*) - \alpha_n x^*\| \\ &\leq \|(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)(u_n - x^*) + \beta_n(z_n - x^*)\| + \alpha_n \|x^*\|. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

On the other hand, from (36) we obtain that for all  $n \geq n_0$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|(1-\alpha_n - \beta_n)(u_n - x^*) + \beta_n(z_n - x^*)\| \\
& \leq (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|u_n - x^*\| + \beta_n\|z_n - x^*\| \\
& \leq (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|u_n - x^*\| + \beta_n\|u_n - x^*\| \\
& = (1 - \alpha_n)\|u_n - x^*\|,
\end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\|(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)(u_n - x^*) + \beta_n(z_n - x^*)\| \leq (1 - \alpha_n)\|u_n - x^*\| \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (38)$$

Combining (37) and (38), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned}
\|u_{n+1} - x^*\| & \leq (1 - \alpha_n)\|u_n - x^*\| + \alpha_n\|x^*\| \\
& \leq \max\{\|u_n - x^*\|, \|x^*\|\} \\
& \leq \dots \leq \max\{\|u_{n_0} - x^*\|, \|x^*\|\},
\end{aligned}$$

which means that the sequence  $\{u_n\}$  is bounded and so is  $\{z_n\}$ .

**Step 2.** We prove that

$$a(2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 + a\|u_n - z_n - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 \quad (39)$$

$$\leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n\|x^*\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (40)$$

Indeed, using (3) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 & = \|(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)u_n + \beta_n z_n - x^*\|^2 \\
& = \|(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)(u_n - x^*) + \beta_n(z_n - x^*) + \alpha_n(-x^*)\|^2 \\
& = (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|u_n - x^*\|^2 + \beta_n\|z_n - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n\|x^*\|^2 - \beta_n(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|u_n - z_n\|^2 \\
& \quad - \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|u_n\|^2 - \alpha_n\beta_n\|z_n\|^2 \\
& \leq (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|u_n - x^*\|^2 + \beta_n\|z_n - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n\|x^*\|^2.
\end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

It follows from (35) and (41) that for all  $n \geq n_0$

$$\begin{aligned}
\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq (1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)\|u_n - x^*\|^2 + \beta_n\|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \beta_n\|u_n - z_n - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 \\
&\quad - \beta_n(2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 + \alpha_n\|x^*\|^2 \\
&= (1 - \alpha_n)\|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \beta_n\|u_n - z_n - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 \\
&\quad - \beta_n(2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 + \alpha_n\|x^*\|^2 \\
&\leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \beta_n\|u_n - z_n - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 \\
&\quad - \beta_n(2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 + \alpha_n\|x^*\|^2. \tag{42}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta_n(2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 + \beta_n\|u_n - z_n - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 \\
\leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n\|x^*\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.
\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, since  $b_n \geq a$  for all  $n$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
a(2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \|u_n - v_n\|^2 + a\|u_n - z_n - \gamma\eta_n d_n\|^2 \\
\leq \|u_n - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n\|x^*\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0.
\end{aligned}$$

**Step 3.** We claim that

$$\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 \leq (1 - \alpha_n)\|u_n - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n[2\beta_n\|u_n - z_n\|\|u_{n+1} - x^*\| + 2\langle x^*, x^* - u_{n+1} \rangle] \quad \forall n \geq n_0.$$

Indeed, setting  $t_n = (1 - \beta_n)u_n + \beta_n z_n$ . We have for all  $n \geq n_0$

$$\begin{aligned}
\|t_n - x^*\| &= \|(1 - \beta_n)(u_n - x^*) + \beta_n(z_n - x^*)\| \\
&= (1 - \beta_n)\|u_n - x^*\| + \beta_n\|z_n - x^*\| \\
&\leq (1 - \beta_n)\|u_n - x^*\| + \beta_n\|u_n - x^*\| \\
&= \|u_n - x^*\|, \tag{43}
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|t_n - u_n\| = \beta_n\|u_n - z_n\|. \tag{44}$$

Using (2), (43) and (44) we get for all  $n \geq n_0$  that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|u_{n+1} - x^*\|^2 &= \|(1 - \alpha_n - \beta_n)u_n + \beta_n z_n - x^*\|^2 \\
&= \|(1 - \beta_n)u_n + \beta_n z_n - \alpha_n u_n - x^*\|^2 \\
&= \|(1 - \alpha_n)(t_n - x^*) - \alpha_n(u_n - t_n) - \alpha_n x^*\|^2 \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n)^2 \|t_n - x^*\|^2 - 2\langle \alpha_n(u_n - t_n) + \alpha_n x^*, u_{n+1} - x^* \rangle \\
&= (1 - \alpha_n)^2 \|t_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\alpha_n \langle u_n - t_n, x^* - u_{n+1} \rangle + 2\alpha_n \langle x^*, x^* - u_{n+1} \rangle \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n) \|t_n - x^*\|^2 + 2\alpha_n \|u_n - t_n\| \|u_{n+1} - x^*\| + 2\alpha_n \langle x^*, x^* - u_{n+1} \rangle \\
&\leq (1 - \alpha_n) \|u_n - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_n [2\beta_n \|u_n - z_n\| \|u_{n+1} - x^*\| + 2\langle x^*, x^* - u_{n+1} \rangle].
\end{aligned}$$

**Step 4.** Finally, it remains to prove that  $\{\|u_n - x^*\|\}$  converges to zero. Indeed, by Lemma 2.4 it suffices to show that

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\beta_{n_k} \|u_{n_k} - z_{n_k}\| \|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\| + \langle x^*, x^* - u_{n_k+1} \rangle) \leq 0$$

for every subsequence  $\{\|u_{n_k} - x^*\|\}$  of  $\{\|u_n - x^*\|\}$  satisfying

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\| - \|u_{n_k} - x^*\|) \geq 0.$$

For this, suppose that  $\{\|u_{n_k} - x^*\|\}$  is a subsequence of  $\{\|u_n - x^*\|\}$  such that

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\| - \|u_{n_k} - x^*\|) \geq 0.$$

Then

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n_k} - x^*\|^2) = \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} [(\|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\| - \|u_{n_k} - x^*\|)(\|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\| + \|u_{n_k} - x^*\|)] \geq 0.$$

By Step 2 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} (a(2 - \gamma)\gamma \frac{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_{n_k}}{\tau_{n_k+1}}\right)^2}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_{n_k}}{\tau_{n_k+1}}\right)^2} \|u_{n_k} - v_{n_k}\|^2 + a\|u_{n_k} - z_{n_k} - \gamma\eta_{n_k}d_{n_k}\|) \\
\leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\|u_{n_k} - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\|^2 + \alpha_{n_k} \|x^*\|^2] \\
\leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\|u_{n_k} - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\|^2] + \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_{n_k} \|x^*\|^2 \\
= -\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} [\|u_{n_k+1} - x^*\|^2 - \|u_{n_k} - x^*\|^2] \\
\leq 0.
\end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{n_k} - v_{n_k}\| = 0, \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{n_k} - z_{n_k} - \gamma\eta_{n_k}d_{n_k}\| = 0. \quad (45)$$

Now, we prove that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{n_k+1} - u_{n_k}\| = 0. \quad (46)$$



Indeed, we have

$$0 < \left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\| \leq \|d_n\| \leq \left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\| \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (47)$$

This implies that

$$0 < \frac{1}{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2 \|u_n - v_n\|^2} \leq \frac{1}{\|d_n\|^2} \leq \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2 \|u_n - v_n\|^2} \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (48)$$

Moreover from (22), (11) and the definition of  $d_n$  we obtain

$$0 < \left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \leq \langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle \leq \left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right) \|u_n - v_n\|^2 \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (49)$$

From (48) and (49), we have

$$0 < \eta_n = \frac{\langle u_n - v_n, d_n \rangle}{\|d_n\|^2} \leq \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_n}{\tau_{n+1}}\right)^2} \quad \forall n \geq n_0. \quad (50)$$

It follows from (45) and (47) that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|d_{n_k}\| = 0.$$

By (50) we get

$$\eta_{n_k} \|d_{n_k}\| \leq \frac{\left(1 + \frac{\mu\tau_{n_k}}{\tau_{n_k+1}}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{\mu\tau_{n_k}}{\tau_{n_k+1}}\right)^2} \|d_{n_k}\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence

$$\|u_{n_k} - z_{n_k}\| \leq \|u_{n_k} - z_{n_k} - \gamma\eta_{n_k}d_{n_k}\| + \gamma\eta_{n_k}\|d_{n_k}\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Thus

$$\|u_{n_k+1} - u_{n_k}\| \leq \alpha_{n_k}\|u_{n_k}\| + \beta_{n_k}\|u_{n_k} - z_{n_k}\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Since the sequence  $\{u_{n_k}\}$  is bounded, it follows that there exists a subsequence  $\{u_{n_{k_j}}\}$  of  $\{u_{n_k}\}$ , which converges weakly to some  $z \in H$ , such that

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^*, x^* - u_{n_k} \rangle = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^*, x^* - u_{n_{k_j}} \rangle = \langle x^*, x^* - z \rangle. \quad (51)$$

From  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{n_k} - v_{n_k}\| = 0$  and Lemma 3.3, we have  $z \in \Omega$  and, from (51) and the definition of  $x^* = P_\Omega 0$ , we have

$$\limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^*, x^* - u_{n_k} \rangle = \langle x^*, x^* - z \rangle \leq 0. \quad (52)$$

Combining (46) and (52), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^*, x^* - u_{n_{k+1}} \rangle &\leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \langle x^*, x^* - u_{n_k} \rangle \\ &= \langle x^*, x^* - z \rangle \leq 0. \end{aligned} \quad (53)$$

Hence, by (53),  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{n_k} - z_{n_k}\| = 0$ , Step 3 and Lemma 2.4, we have  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|u_n - x^*\| = 0$ . This is the desired result.  $\square$

Table 1: Averaged over 100 tests for fractional problems of different size

m	Algorithm 3.1		Tseng's method [4]	
	Number of Iterations	time(sec.)	Number of Iterations.	time
5	52.45	0.29	115.45	0.63
10	52.27	0.28	120.43	0.64
20	86.49	0.42	150.64	0.73
50	106.80	0.52	161.69	0.80
100	107.37	0.76	159.89	1.13
200	107.58	0.81	164.51	1.24

## 5 Numerical Illustrations

In this section, we present some numerical experiments to illustrate the performance of proposed Algorithms. As we are interested in pseudo-monotone VIs, in the first experiment we consider a class of pseudo-monotone VIs, which is not monotone. Consider the following quadratic fractional programming of the following form

$$\min_{x \in C} f(x)$$

where  $f(x) := \frac{x^T M x + a^T x + c}{b^T x + d}$  and

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m : \sum_{i=1}^m x_i \leq m, 0 \leq x_i \leq 2m, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, m\},$$

The matrix  $M$  is positive semi-definite and all elements are generated randomly in  $(0, 5)$ . Similarly, vectors  $a, b$  and scalars  $c, d$  are generated randomly with elements in  $(0, 5)$ . Clearly, this problem is equivalent to VI( $A, C$ ) with

$$Ax = \nabla f(x) := \frac{(b^T x + d)(2Mx + a) - b(x^T Mx + a^T x + c)}{(b^T x + d)^2}.$$

Since  $f$  is pseudo-convex [5],  $F$  is pseudo-monotone [20]. We compare Algorithm 3.1 with an adaptive version of Tseng's method [4]. We choose  $\gamma = 1$  for Algorithm 3.1, and the same parameters for both algorithms:  $\tau_0 = 1, \mu = 0.9$ . All codes are implemented in Matlab 2019b and we perform all computation on a MacBook Pro with 2.6 GHz Intel Core i7 and 16.00GB of memory. For each value of  $m$ , we perform 100 tests with random data and compare the average number of iterations and CPU time. The projections are computed using *quadprog* from Matlab. The stopping condition is  $\|u_n - v_n\| \leq \epsilon = 10^{-5}$ . The results are displayed in Table 1. It can be seen that Algorithm 3.1 outperforms the Tseng's type method [4]. This is to be expected as Algorithm 3.1 uses the direction of projection contraction method, whose advantage was showed in [6, 21, 38].

In the second experiment, we provide computational experiments illustrating the strong convergence method considered in Section 4 for solving VIs arising in optimal control problem. Let  $0 < T \in \mathbb{R}$ , we denote by  $L_2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m)$  the Hilbert space of square integrable, measurable vector

function  $u : [0, T] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  with the inner product

$$\langle u, v \rangle = \int_0^T \langle u(t), v(t) \rangle dt,$$

and norm

$$\|u\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle u, u \rangle} < \infty.$$

We consider the following optimal control problem:

$$u^*(t) = \operatorname{argmin}\{f(u) : u \in U\}$$

on the interval  $[0, T]$ , assuming that such a control exists. Here  $U$  is the set of admissible controls, which has the form of an  $m$ -dimensional box and consists of piecewise continuous function:

$$U = \{u(t) \in L_2([0, T], \mathbb{R}^m) : u_i(t) \in [u_i^-, u_i^+], i = 1, 2, \dots, m\}.$$

Specially, the control can be bang-bang (piecewise constant function).

The terminal objective has the form

$$f(u) = \phi(x(T)),$$

where  $\phi$  is a convex and differentiable function, defined on the attainability set.

Suppose that the trajectory  $x(t) \in L_2([0, T])$  satisfies constrains in the form of a system of linear differential equation:

$$\dot{x}(t) = D(t)x(t) + B(t)u(t), \quad x(0) = x_0, \quad t \in [0, T],$$

where  $D(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $B(t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  are given continuous matrices for every  $t \in [0, T]$ . By the Pontryagin maximum principle there exists a function  $p^* \in L_2([0, T])$  such that the triple  $(x^*, p^*, u^*)$  solves for a.e.  $t \in [0, T]$  the system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}^*(t) = D(t)x^*(t) + B(t)u^*(t) \\ x^*(0) = x_0, \\ \dot{p}^*(t) = -D(t)^\top p^*(t) \\ p^*(T) = \nabla g(x(T)), \\ 0 \in B(t)^\top p^*(t) + N_U(u^*(t)), \end{cases} \quad (54)$$

where  $N_U(u)$  is the normal cone to  $U$  at  $u$  defined by

$$N_U(u) := \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } u \notin U, \\ \{\ell \in H : \langle \ell, v - u \rangle \leq 0, \forall v \in U\} & \text{if } u \in U. \end{cases}$$

Denoting  $Gu(t) := B(t)^\top p(t)$ , it is known that  $Gu$  is the gradient of the objective cost function  $f$  [30]. We can write (54) as the following monotone variational inequality

$$\langle Gu^*, v - u^* \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in U.$$

The following example is the control of a harmonic oscillator taken from [33, Example 7].

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{minimize} && x_2(3\pi) \\ & \text{subject to} && \dot{x}_1(t) = x_2(t), \\ & && \dot{x}_2(t) = -x_1(t) + u(t), \quad \forall t \in [0, 3\pi], \\ & && x(0) = 0, \\ & && u(t) \in [-1, 1]. \end{aligned}$$

The exact optimal control in this problem is known:

$$u^*(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t \in [0, \pi/2) \cup (3\pi/2, 5\pi/2), \\ -1 & \text{if } t \in (\pi/2, 3\pi/2) \cup (5\pi/2, 3\pi]. \end{cases}$$

We choose the following parameters for Algorithm 4.1:

$$\tau_0 = 1, \mu = 0.95, \gamma = 1, \alpha_n = 10^{-4}/(n+1), \beta_n = 0.95 - \alpha_n.$$

The initial control  $u_0(t)$  is chosen randomly in  $[-1, 1]$ , and the stopping condition is  $\text{Error} = \|u_{n+1} - u_n\| \leq \epsilon = 10^{-5}$ . The approximate solution is obtained after 102 iterations in 0.095288 seconds of CPU time as shown in Figure 1.

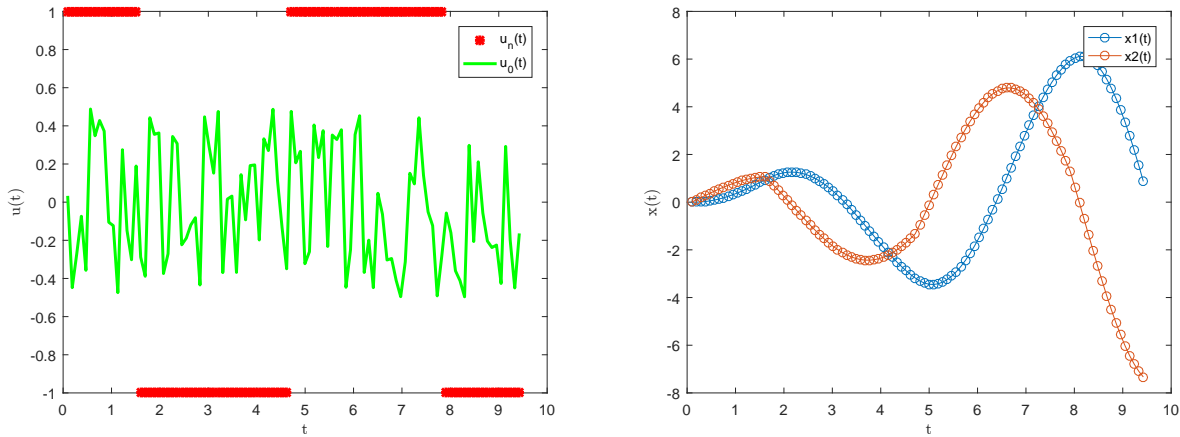


Figure 1: Random initial control (green) and optimal control (red) on the left and optimal trajectories on the right for the control of a harmonic oscillator computed by Algorithm 4.1.

In Figure 2 compares the performance of Algorithm 4.1 with three other strong convergence algorithms: [28]-denoted by KS-Method, [36, Algorithm 3.1]- denoted by SI-Method and [43, Algorithm 3.3]- denoted by SV-Method. For the KS-Method, we choose adaptive stepsize  $\lambda_{n+1} = \min \left\{ \lambda_n, \frac{\mu \|y_n - x_n\|}{\|Ay_n - Ax_n\|} \right\}$  since the Lipschitz constant of  $A$  is not available. For [36, Algorithm 3.1] we choose  $\mu = 0.5, \rho = 0.5$  and for [43, Algorithm 3.3] we choose  $\gamma = 0.5, \rho = 0.5$  as used in these papers. It can be seen that Algorithm 4.1 is takes advantage comparing with the other methods.

## 6 Conclusions

In this paper we presented some improved results of the subgradient extragradient method for solving pseudomonotone variational inequalities in real Hilbert spaces. The algorithms require the calculation of only one projection onto the feasible set  $C$  per iteration. Using an adaptive stepsize rule, the convergence of the proposed algorithms does not require knowledge of the Lipschitz constant of  $A$  in priori. Numerical experiments for fractional programming and optimal control problems are presented to illustrate the performance of the new methods.

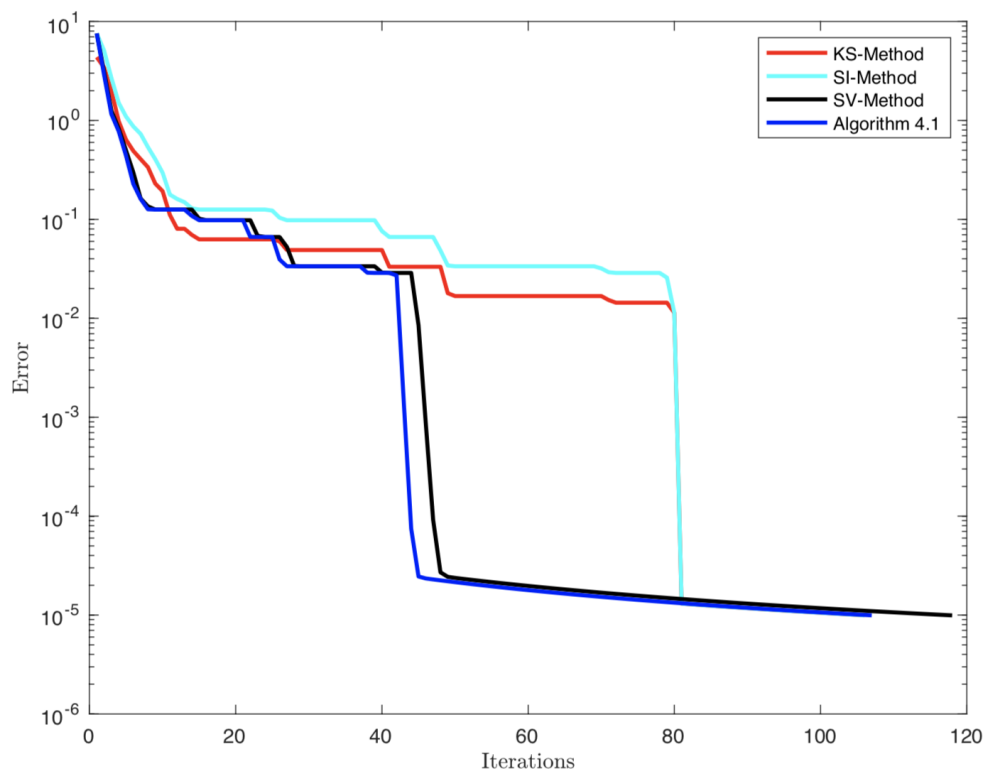


Figure 2: Comparison Algorithm 4.1 with three other strong convergence algorithms

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