



## A CYCLIC VISCOSITY APPROXIMATION METHOD FOR THE MULTIPLE-SET SPLIT EQUALITY COMMON FIXED-POINT PROBLEM

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we consider a newly cyclic viscosity approximation method to approximate the multiple-set split common fixed point problem governed by demicontractive mappings which are generalization of quasi-nonexpansive mappings in Hilbert spaces, and we prove that the generated sequence converges strongly to a solution of this problem. The results obtained in this paper generalize and improve the recent ones announced by many others.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The split feasibility problem (SFP) in finite dimensional Hilbert spaces was introduced by Censor and Elfving [2] in 1994 for modeling inverse problems which arise from phase retrievals and in medical image reconstruction. Recently, it has been found that the SFP can be used in many areas such as image restoration, computer tomograph, and radiation therapy treatment planning. Some methods have been proposed to solve split feasibility problems; see, for instance, [1, 14, 15, 16].

In 2013, Moudafi and Al-Shemas [9] introduced the following new split feasibility problem, which is called the split equality fixed point problem (SEFP). Let  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  be real Hilbert spaces, let  $A : H_1 \rightarrow H_3, B : H_2 \rightarrow H_3$  be two bounded linear operators, let  $U : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  and  $T : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  be two firmly quasi-nonexpansive mappings. The SEFP in [9] is to

$$(1.1) \quad \text{find } x^* \in F(U), y^* \in F(T) \text{ such that } Ax^* = By^*.$$

The interest is to cover many situations, for instance, in decomposition methods for PDF's, applications in game theory and in intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT).

For solving the SEFP (1.1), Moudafi and Al-Shemas [9] introduced the following simultaneous iterative method:

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = U(x_k - \gamma_k A^*(Ax_k - By_k)), \\ y_{k+1} = T(y_k + \gamma_k B^*(Ax_k - By_k)), \end{cases}$$

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for firmly quasi-nonexpansive mappings  $U$  and  $T$ , where  $\gamma_k \in (\epsilon, \frac{2}{\lambda_A + \lambda_B} - \epsilon)$ ,  $\lambda_A, \lambda_B$  stand for the spectral radii of  $A^*A$  and  $B^*B$ , respectively.

Recently, Zhao and Wang [17] proposed the following viscosity iterative algorithm for solving the SEFP (1.1):

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{cases} u_k = x_k - \gamma_k A^*(Ax_k - By_k), \\ x_{k+1} = \alpha_k f_1(x_k) + (1 - \alpha_k)((1 - w_k)u_k + w_k Uu_k), \\ v_k = y_k + \gamma_k B^*(Ax_k - By_k), \\ y_{k+1} = \alpha_k f_2(y_k) + (1 - \alpha_k)((1 - w_k)v_k + w_k T v_k), \end{cases}$$

where  $f_1 : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  and  $f_2 : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  are two contractions,  $U : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  and  $T : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  are quasi-nonexpansive. They proved a strong convergence result of the algorithm (1.2) in Hilbert spaces.

On the other hand, the multiple-set split equality common fixed-point problem (MSECFP) of quasi-nonexpansive mappings studied by Zhao and Wang [18] is to

$$(1.3) \quad \text{find } x^* \in \bigcap_{i=1}^p F(U_i), y^* \in \bigcap_{j=1}^q F(T_j) \text{ such that } Ax^* = By^*,$$

where  $p, q \geq 1$  are integers. They introduced two mixed cyclic and parallel iterative algorithms for solving the MSECFP (1.3) of quasi-nonexpansive mappings and proved the weak convergence of these two algorithms.

Inspired and motivated by the works mentioned above, we consider a newly cyclic viscosity approximation method for the MSECFP (1.3) of demicontractive mappings in Hilbert spaces. Under some mild assumptions we establish some strong convergence theorems.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper, we always assume that  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  are real Hilbert spaces and let  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$  be the set of positive integers and real numbers, respectively. We use  $\rightarrow$  and  $\rightharpoonup$  to denote strong and weak convergence, respectively, and  $F(T)$  denotes the set of the fixed points of a mapping  $T$ . We use  $\omega_w x_k = \{x : \exists x_{k_j} \rightharpoonup x\}$  to stand for the weak  $\omega$ -limit set of  $\{x_k\}$  and use  $\Gamma$  to stand for the solution set of the MSECFP (1.3), i.e.,

$$\Gamma := \{(x, y) \mid x \in \bigcap_{i=1}^p F(U_i), y \in \bigcap_{j=1}^q F(T_j) \text{ such that } Ax = By\}.$$

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ . The metric (or nearest point) projection  $P_C$  from  $H$  onto  $C$  is defined as follows: Given  $x \in H$ , the unique point  $P_C x \in C$  satisfies the property

$$\|x - P_C x\| = \inf_{y \in C} \|x - y\|.$$

It is well known [10] that  $P_C$  is a nonexpansive mapping and is characterized by the inequality

$$(2.1) \quad P_C x \in C, \langle x - P_C x, y - P_C x \rangle \leq 0, \forall y \in C.$$

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space. A mapping  $T : H \rightarrow H$  is said to be

- (i) Lipschitzian if there exists a constant  $\rho > 0$  such that

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

especially, if  $\rho \in (0, 1)$ ,  $T$  is said to be a contraction with constant  $\rho$ ;

- (ii) nonexpansive if  $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in H$ ;
- (iii) quasi-nonexpansive if  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and if  $\|Tx - q\| \leq \|x - q\|, \quad \forall x \in H, q \in F(T)$ ;
- (iv) firmly nonexpansive if

$$\|Tx - Ty\|^2 \leq \|x - y\|^2 - \|(I - T)x - (I - T)y\|^2, \quad \forall x, y \in H;$$

or equivalently,

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

- (v)  $\mu$ -demicontractive if  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and there exists a constant  $\mu \in (-\infty, 1)$  such that

$$\|Tx - q\|^2 \leq \|x - q\|^2 + \mu \|x - Tx\|^2, \quad \forall x \in H, q \in F(T).$$

**Remark 2.2.** Notice that a 0-demicontractive mapping is exactly quasi-nonexpansive. In particular, we say that it is quasi-strictly pseudo-contractive [7] if  $0 \leq \mu < 1$ . Moreover, if  $\mu \leq 0$ , every  $\mu$ -demicontractive mapping becomes quasi-nonexpansive. Therefore, it is sufficient to only take  $\mu \in (0, 1)$  in (v) of Definition 2.1 in Hilbert spaces. However, as seen in (iv) of Definition 2.1, every firmly quasi-nonexpansive mapping (often called to be a directed operator [3]) is obvious  $(-1)$ -demicontractive.

It is worth noting that the class of demicontractive mappings is more general than the class of quasi-nonexpansive mappings and the class of firmly quasi-nonexpansive mappings.

**Definition 2.3.** Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a real Hilbert space  $H$ . A mapping  $F : C \rightarrow H$  is said to be

- (i) monotone if  $\langle Fx - Fy, x - y \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall x, y \in C$ ;
- (ii) strictly monotone if  $\langle Fx - Fy, x - y \rangle > 0, \quad \forall x, y \in C, x \neq y$ ;
- (iii)  $\eta$ -strongly monotone if there exists a constant  $\eta > 0$  such that

$$\langle Fx - Fy, x - y \rangle \geq \eta \|x - y\|^2, \quad \forall x, y \in C.$$

**Definition 2.4.** Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space. An operator  $T : H \rightarrow H$  is called demiclosed at origin if, for any sequence  $\{x_k\}$  which converges weakly to  $x$ , and if the sequence  $\{Tx_k\}$  converges strongly to 0, then  $Tx = 0$ .

As a special case of the demiclosedness principle on uniformly convex Banach spaces given by [4], we know that if  $C$  is a nonempty closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ , and  $T : C \rightarrow H$  is a nonexpansive mapping. Then the mapping  $I - T$  is demiclosed on  $C$ . Now the following question is naturally raised: If  $T : C \rightarrow H$  is quasi-nonexpansive, is  $I - T$  still demiclosed on  $C$ ? The answer is negative even at 0 as follows.

**Example 2.5.** ([11]; Example 2.11). The mapping  $T : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  is defined by

$$Tx = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{5}, & x \in [0, \frac{1}{2}], \\ x \sin \pi x, & x \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1]. \end{cases}$$

Then  $T$  is a quasi-nonexpansive mapping, but  $I - T$  is not demiclosed at 0.

**Lemma 2.6.** ([8]). *Let  $T$  be a  $\mu$ -demicontractive self mapping on  $H$  with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and set  $T_\alpha = (1 - \alpha)I + \alpha T$  for  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ . Then,  $T_\alpha$  is quasi-nonexpansive provided that  $\alpha \in [0, 1 - \mu]$  and*

$$\|T_\alpha x - q\|^2 \leq \|x - q\|^2 - \alpha(1 - \mu - \alpha)\|x - Tx\|^2, \quad \forall (x, q) \in H \times F(T).$$

**Lemma 2.7.** ([7]; Proposition 2.1). *Assume  $C$  is a closed convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a self-mapping of  $C$ . If  $T$  is a  $\mu$ -demicontractive mapping (which is also called  $\mu$ -quasi-strict pseudo-contraction in [7]), then the fixed point set  $F(T)$  is closed and convex.*

**Lemma 2.8.** ([5]). *Assume  $\{s_k\}$  is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers such that*

$$\begin{cases} s_{k+1} \leq (1 - \lambda_k)s_k + \lambda_k \delta_k, \\ s_{k+1} \leq s_k - \eta_k + \mu_k, \end{cases}$$

where  $\{\lambda_k\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$ ,  $\{\eta_k\}$  is a sequence of nonnegative real numbers and  $\{\delta_k\}$  and  $\{\mu_k\}$  are two sequences in  $\mathbb{R}$  such that

- (i)  $\sum_{k=1}^\infty \lambda_k = \infty$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu_k = 0$ ;
- (iii)  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \eta_{k_l} = 0$  implies  $\limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{k_l} \leq 0$  for any subsequence  $\{k_l\} \subset \{k\}$ .

Then  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_k = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.9.** ([6]). *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be Banach spaces,  $A$  be a continuous linear operator from  $X$  to  $Y$ . Then  $A$  is weakly continuous.*

**Lemma 2.10.** ([13]; Proposition 2.7). *Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space. Suppose that  $F : H \rightarrow H$  is  $\kappa$ -Lipschitzian and  $\eta$ -strongly monotone over a closed convex set  $C \subset H$ . Then, the following  $VIP(F, C)$*

$$\langle v - u^*, F(u^*) \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall v \in C$$

has its unique solution  $u^* \in C$ .

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we introduce a new cyclic viscosity approximation method for the MSEC FP (1.3) of demicontractive mappings and prove the strong convergence of this algorithm.

Given a positive integer  $p$ , the  $p$ -mod function  $i$  takes values in the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, p\}$  as

$$i(k) = \begin{cases} p, & r = 0; \\ r, & 0 < r < p, \end{cases}$$

for  $k = np + r$  for some integers  $n \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq r < p$ . Given a positive integer  $q$ , the  $q$ -mod function  $j$  can be also defined in a similar way.

Put  $H^* = H_1 \times H_2$ . Define the inner product of  $H^*$  as follows:

$$\langle (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \rangle = \langle x_1, x_2 \rangle + \langle y_1, y_2 \rangle, \quad \forall (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in H^*.$$

It is easy to see that  $H^*$  is also a real Hilbert space and

$$\|(x, y)\| = (\|x\|^2 + \|y\|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad \forall (x, y) \in H^*.$$

**Algorithm 3.1.** Let  $x_0 \in H_1, y_0 \in H_2$  be arbitrary given and  $p, q \geq 1$  be integers. Let  $f_1 : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  and  $f_2 : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  be two contractions with constants  $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in [0, 1)$ . Let the sequences  $\{\alpha_k\}, \{\beta_k\}, \{t_k\} \subset [0, 1]$ . Assume that the  $k$ th iterate  $x_k \in H_1, y_k \in H_2$  has been constructed and  $Ax_k - By_k \neq 0$ , then we calculate  $(k + 1)$ th iterate  $(x_{k+1}, y_{k+1})$  via the formula

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{cases} u_k = x_k - \gamma_k A^*(Ax_k - By_k), \\ x_{k+1} = t_k f_1(x_k) + (1 - t_k)(\alpha_k u_k + (1 - \alpha_k)U_{i(k)}u_k), \\ v_k = y_k + \gamma_k B^*(Ax_k - By_k), \\ y_{k+1} = t_k f_2(y_k) + (1 - t_k)(\beta_k v_k + (1 - \beta_k)T_{j(k)}v_k), \end{cases} \quad \forall k \geq 0.$$

Assume the stepsize  $\gamma_k$  is chosen in such a way that

$$(3.2) \quad \gamma_k \in (\varepsilon, \min\{\eta, \frac{2\|Ax_k - By_k\|^2}{\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2}\} - \varepsilon)$$

for all  $k \in \Omega$  and small enough  $\varepsilon > 0$ , where the index set  $\Omega = \{k : Ax_k - By_k \neq 0\}$ ,

$$\eta = \frac{2\|Ax_l - By_l\|^2}{\|A^*(Ax_l - By_l)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_l - By_l)\|^2}, \quad l = \min_{k \in \Omega}\{k\},$$

otherwise,  $\gamma_k = \gamma$  ( $\gamma$  being any nonnegative value). If  $Ax_k = By_k = 0$ , then  $u_k = x_k, v_k = y_k$  and

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = t_k f_1(x_k) + (1 - t_k)(\alpha_k x_k + (1 - \alpha_k)U_{i(k)}x_k), \\ y_{k+1} = t_k f_2(y_k) + (1 - t_k)(\beta_k y_k + (1 - \beta_k)T_{j(k)}y_k). \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 3.2.** Assume the solution set  $\Gamma$  of (1.3) is nonempty. Then  $\{\gamma_k\}$  defined by (3.2) is well defined and bounded.

*Proof.* Take  $(x, y) \in \Gamma$ , i.e.,  $x \in \cap_{i=1}^p F(U_i), y \in \cap_{j=1}^q F(T_j)$  and  $Ax = By$ . We have

$$\langle A^*(Ax_k - By_k), x_k - x \rangle = \langle Ax_k - By_k, Ax_k - Ax \rangle$$

and

$$\langle B^*(Ax_k - By_k), y - y_k \rangle = \langle Ax_k - By_k, By - By_k \rangle.$$

By adding the two above equalities and by taking  $Ax = By$  into account, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|Ax_k - By_k\|^2 &= \langle A^*(Ax_k - By_k), x_k - x \rangle + \langle B^*(Ax_k - By_k), y - y_k \rangle \\ &\leq \|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\| \|x_k - x\| + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\| \|y - y_k\|. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, for  $k \in \Omega$ , that is,  $\|Ax_k - By_k\| > 0$ , we have  $\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\| \neq 0$  or  $\|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\| \neq 0$ . And since

$$\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 \leq \|A^*\|^2 \|Ax_k - By_k\|^2$$

and

$$\|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 \leq \|B^*\|^2 \|Ax_k - By_k\|^2,$$

we have

$$\frac{2\|Ax_k - By_k\|^2}{\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2} \geq \frac{2}{\|A^*\|^2 + \|B^*\|^2} = \frac{2}{\|A\|^2 + \|B\|^2}.$$

Thus we can choose small enough  $\varepsilon \in (0, \frac{1}{\|A\|^2 + \|B\|^2})$ . This leads that  $\{\gamma_k\}$  is well defined. From (3.2) we obtain  $\gamma_k \in (\varepsilon, \eta - \varepsilon)$  and  $\eta$  is a fixed positive number, so  $\{\gamma_k\}$  is bounded.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3.** *Given two bounded linear operators  $A : H_1 \rightarrow H_3, B : H_2 \rightarrow H_3$ , let  $U_i : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  ( $1 \leq i \leq p$ ) and  $T_j : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  ( $1 \leq j \leq q$ ) be  $\tau_i$ -demicontractive and  $\nu_j$ -demicontractive, respectively. Assume that the solution set  $\Gamma$  of (1.3) is nonempty. Then  $\Gamma$  is a nonempty closed convex set.*

*Proof.* By Lemma 2.7 we have  $F(T_i)$  ( $1 \leq i \leq p$ ) and  $F(U_j)$  ( $1 \leq j \leq q$ ) are both closed convex subsets, and since  $A$  and  $B$  are both linear, it is easy to see that  $\Gamma$  is a closed convex subset in  $H^*$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 3.4.** ([12]; Lemma 3.1). *Let  $\{u_k\}$  be a bounded sequence of a Hilbert space  $H$ . Let  $p$  be a positive integer and  $I = \{1, 2, \dots, p\}$ . If  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{k+1} - u_k\| = 0$  and  $x^* \in \omega_w u_k$ , then for any  $i \in I$ , there exists a subsequence  $\{u_{k_m}\}$  of  $\{u_k\}$ , depending on  $i$ , such that  $i(k_m) = i$  for all  $m$  and  $u_{k_m} \rightarrow x^*$ , where  $i$  denotes the  $p$ -mod function.*

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  be real Hilbert spaces. Given two bounded linear operators  $A : H_1 \rightarrow H_3, B : H_2 \rightarrow H_3$ , let  $U_i : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  ( $1 \leq i \leq p$ ) and  $T_j : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  ( $1 \leq j \leq q$ ) be  $\tau_i$ -demicontractive and  $\nu_j$ -demicontractive, respectively. Suppose that  $I - U_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq p$ ),  $I - T_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq q$ ) are demiclosed at origin and the solution set  $\Gamma$  of the MSECFP (1.3) is nonempty. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (i)  $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in [0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} t_k = 0$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t_k = \infty$ ;
- (iii)  $\tau < \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_k \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_k < 1$ ;
- (iv)  $\nu < \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \beta_k \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \beta_k < 1$ ,

where  $\tau = \max_{1 \leq i \leq p} \tau_i, \nu = \max_{1 \leq j \leq q} \nu_j$ .

Then the sequence  $\{(x_k, y_k)\} \subset H^*$  generated by Algorithm 3.1 converges strongly to  $(x^*, y^*) \in \Gamma$  which is the unique solution of the following variational inequality problem (VIP)

$$(3.3) \quad \langle (I - f_1)x^*, (I - f_2)y^*, (x, y) - (x^*, y^*) \rangle \geq 0, \quad \forall (x, y) \in \Gamma.$$

*Proof.* We divide the proof into several steps.

**Step 1.** The VIP (3.3) has a unique solution  $(x^*, y^*) \in \Gamma$ .

By Lemma 3.3, we know that  $\Gamma$  is a nonempty closed convex subset in  $H^*$ . Let  $F : \Gamma \subset H^* \rightarrow H^*$  be defined by

$$F(x, y) = ((I - f_1)x, (I - f_2)y), \quad \forall (x, y) \in \Gamma.$$

Putting  $\rho = \max\{\rho_1, \rho_2\}$ , then from the condition (i) we have  $\rho \in [0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ . For any  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in \Gamma$ , since  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  are two contractions, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \langle F(x_1, y_1) - F(x_2, y_2), (x_1, y_1) - (x_2, y_2) \rangle \\
&= \langle ((I - f_1)x_1 - (I - f_1)x_2, (I - f_2)y_1 - (I - f_2)y_2), (x_1 - x_2, y_1 - y_2) \rangle \\
&= \langle (I - f_1)x_1 - (I - f_1)x_2, x_1 - x_2 \rangle + \langle (I - f_2)y_1 - (I - f_2)y_2, y_1 - y_2 \rangle \\
&\geq \|x_1 - x_2\|^2 - \|f_1(x_1) - f_1(x_2)\| \|x_1 - x_2\| \\
&\quad + \|y_1 - y_2\|^2 - \|f_2(y_1) - f_2(y_2)\| \|y_1 - y_2\| \\
&\geq (1 - \rho)(\|x_1 - x_2\|^2 + \|y_1 - y_2\|^2) \\
&= (1 - \rho)\|(x_1, y_1) - (x_2, y_2)\|^2,
\end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $F$  is  $(1 - \rho)$ -strongly monotone. And

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|F(x_1, y_1) - F(x_2, y_2)\|^2 \\
&= \|((I - f_1)x_1 - (I - f_1)x_2, (I - f_2)y_1 - (I - f_2)y_2)\|^2 \\
&= \|(I - f_1)x_1 - (I - f_1)x_2\|^2 + \|(I - f_2)y_1 - (I - f_2)y_2\|^2 \\
&\leq (1 + \rho_1)^2 \|x_1 - x_2\|^2 + (1 + \rho_2)^2 \|y_1 - y_2\|^2 \\
&\leq (1 + \rho)^2 \|(x_1, y_1) - (x_2, y_2)\|^2,
\end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $F$  is  $(1 + \rho)^2$ -Lipschitzian. Therefore, it follows from Lemma 2.10 that the VIP (3.3) has a unique solution  $(x^*, y^*) \in \Gamma$ .

**Step 2.** The sequences  $\{x_k\}$  and  $\{y_k\}$  are bounded.

Since  $(x^*, y^*) \in \Gamma$ , then  $x^* \in \cap_{i=1}^p F(U_i)$ ,  $y^* \in \cap_{j=1}^q F(T_j)$  and  $Ax^* = By^*$ . By (3.1) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|u_k - x^*\|^2 \\
&= \|x_k - \gamma_k A^*(Ax_k - By_k) - x^*\|^2 \\
&= \|x_k - x^*\|^2 - 2\gamma_k \langle x_k - x^*, A^*(Ax_k - By_k) \rangle + \gamma_k^2 \|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 \\
&= \|x_k - x^*\|^2 - 2\gamma_k \langle Ax_k - Ax^*, Ax_k - By_k \rangle + \gamma_k^2 \|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2,
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|v_k - y^*\|^2 \\
&= \|y_k + \gamma_k B^*(Ax_k - By_k) - y^*\|^2 \\
&= \|y_k - y^*\|^2 + 2\gamma_k \langle y_k - y^*, B^*(Ax_k - By_k) \rangle + \gamma_k^2 \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 \\
&= \|y_k - y^*\|^2 + 2\gamma_k \langle By_k - By^*, Ax_k - By_k \rangle + \gamma_k^2 \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2.
\end{aligned}$$

By adding the above equalities and  $Ax^* = By^*$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \|u_k - x^*\|^2 + \|v_k - y^*\|^2 \\
&= \|x_k - x^*\|^2 + \|y_k - y^*\|^2 - \gamma_k [2\|Ax_k - By_k\|^2 \\
&\quad - \gamma_k (\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2)].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

Put  $\tilde{u}_k = \alpha_k u_k + (1 - \alpha_k)U_{i(k)}u_k$  and  $\tilde{v}_k = \beta_k v_k + (1 - \beta_k)T_{j(k)}v_k$ . Using (ii) and Lemma 2.6 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\tilde{u}_k - x^*\|^2 &= \|\alpha_k u_k + (1 - \alpha_k)U_{i(k)}u_k - x^*\|^2 \\
 &\leq \|u_k - x^*\|^2 - (1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau_i)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2 \\
 (3.5) \quad &\leq \|u_k - x^*\|^2 - (1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2 \\
 (3.6) \quad &\leq \|u_k - x^*\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

for all sufficiently large  $k$ . Similarly, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\tilde{v}_k - y^*\|^2 &\leq \|v_k - y^*\|^2 - (1 - \beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|^2 \\
 (3.7) \quad &\leq \|v_k - y^*\|^2 \\
 (3.8) \quad &\leq \|v_k - y^*\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

for all sufficiently large  $k$ . It follows from (3.1), (3.5) and the convexity of  $\|\cdot\|^2$  that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|x_{k+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq t_k\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + (1 - t_k)\|\tilde{u}_k - x^*\|^2 \\
 &\leq t_k[\rho_1\|x_k - x^*\| + \|f_1(x^*) - x^*\|]^2 + (1 - t_k)(\|u_k - x^*\|^2 \\
 &\quad - (1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2) \\
 &\leq 2t_k\rho^2\|x_k - x^*\|^2 + 2t_k\|f_1(x^*) - x^*\|^2 + (1 - t_k)\|u_k - x^*\|^2 \\
 (3.9) \quad &\quad - (1 - t_k)(1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Replacing the role of (3.5) with (3.7), we similarly obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|y_{k+1} - y^*\|^2 &\leq 2t_k\rho^2\|y_k - y^*\|^2 + 2t_k\|f_2(y^*) - y^*\|^2 + (1 - t_k)\|v_k - y^*\|^2 \\
 (3.10) \quad &\quad - (1 - t_k)(1 - \beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (3.4), (3.9) and (3.10) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|x_{k+1} - x^*\|^2 + \|y_{k+1} - y^*\|^2 \\
 &\leq 2t_k\rho^2(\|x_k - x^*\|^2 + \|y_k - y^*\|^2) + 2t_k(\|f_1(x^*) - x^*\|^2 \\
 &\quad + \|f_2(y^*) - y^*\|^2) + (1 - t_k)(\|u_k - x^*\|^2 + \|v_k - y^*\|^2) \\
 &\quad - (1 - t_k)(1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2 \\
 &\quad - (1 - t_k)(1 - \beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|^2 \\
 &\leq [1 - t_k(1 - 2\rho^2)](\|x_k - x^*\|^2 + \|y_k - y^*\|^2) \\
 &\quad + 2t_k(\|f_1(x^*) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y^*) - y^*\|^2) \\
 &\quad - (1 - t_k)\gamma_k[2\|Ax_k - By_k\|^2 \\
 &\quad - \gamma_k(\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2)] \\
 &\quad - (1 - t_k)(1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2 \\
 &\quad - (1 - t_k)(1 - \beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, setting  $s_k = \|x_k - x^*\|^2 + \|y_k - y^*\|^2$ , we get

$$s_{k+1} \leq [1 - t_k(1 - 2\rho^2)]s_k + 2t_k(\|f_1(x^*) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y^*) - y^*\|^2)$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 & -(1-t_k)\gamma_k[2\|Ax_k - By_k\|^2 \\
 & -\gamma_k(\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2)] \\
 & -(1-t_k)(1-\alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2 \\
 (3.11) \quad & -(1-t_k)(1-\beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|^2 \\
 & \leq [1-t_k(1-2\rho^2)]s_k + t_k(1-2\rho^2)\frac{2(\|f_1(x^*) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y^*) - y^*\|^2)}{1-2\rho^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

It follows from induction that

$$s_{k+1} \leq \max\left\{s_0, \frac{2(\|f_1(x^*) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y^*) - y^*\|^2)}{1-2\rho^2}\right\}, \quad \forall k \geq 0,$$

i.e.,  $\{s_k\}$  is bounded. So  $\{x_k\}$  and  $\{y_k\}$  are also bounded.

**Step 3.** The sequence  $\{(x_k, y_k)\}$  converges strongly to  $(x^*, y^*)$ .

It follows from (3.1) and (3.6) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|x_{k+1} - x^*\|^2 \\
 & \leq t_k^2\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + 2t_k(1-t_k)\langle f_1(x_k) - x^*, \tilde{u}_k - x^* \rangle \\
 & \quad + (1-t_k)^2\|\tilde{u}_k - x^*\|^2 \\
 & \leq t_k^2\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + t_k(1-t_k)(\|f_1(x_k) - f_1(x^*)\|^2 + \|\tilde{u}_k - x^*\|^2) \\
 & \quad + (1-t_k)^2\|\tilde{u}_k - x^*\|^2 + 2t_k(1-t_k)\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_k - x^* \rangle \\
 & \leq t_k^2\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + t_k(1-t_k)(\rho_1^2\|x_k - x^*\|^2 + \|u_k - x^*\|^2) \\
 & \quad + (1-t_k)^2\|u_k - x^*\|^2 + 2t_k(1-t_k)\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_k - x^* \rangle \\
 & \leq t_k(1-t_k)\rho^2\|x_k - x^*\|^2 + (1-t_k)\|u_k - x^*\|^2 \\
 (3.12) \quad & + t_k^2\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + 2t_k(1-t_k)\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_k - x^* \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \|y_{k+1} - y^*\|^2 \\
 & \leq t_k(1-t_k)\rho^2\|y_k - y^*\|^2 + (1-t_k)\|v_k - y^*\|^2 + t_k^2\|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2 \\
 (3.13) \quad & + 2t_k(1-t_k)\langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \tilde{v}_k - y^* \rangle.
 \end{aligned}$$

By (3.4), (3.12) and (3.13) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 s_{k+1} & \leq t_k(1-t_k)\rho^2(\|x_k - x^*\|^2 + \|y_k - y^*\|^2) \\
 & \quad + (1-t_k)(\|u_k - x^*\|^2 + \|v_k - y^*\|^2) \\
 & \quad + t_k^2(\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2) \\
 & \quad + 2t_k(1-t_k)(\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_k - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \tilde{v}_k - y^* \rangle) \\
 & \leq [1-t_k(1-(1-t_k)\rho^2)]s_k + t_k^2(\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2) \\
 & \quad + 2t_k(1-t_k)(\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_k - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \tilde{v}_k - y^* \rangle) \\
 (3.14) \quad & = (1-\lambda_k)s_k + \lambda_k\delta_k,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\lambda_k = t_k(1 - (1 - t_k)\rho^2)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_k &= \frac{t_k(\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2)}{1 - (1 - t_k)\rho^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{2(1 - t_k)(\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_k - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \tilde{v}_k - y^* \rangle)}{1 - (1 - t_k)\rho^2}. \end{aligned}$$

From (3.1), (3.5) and (3.7) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{k+1} - x^*\|^2 &\leq t_k\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + (1 - t_k)\|\tilde{u}_k - x^*\|^2 \\ &\leq t_k\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + (1 - t_k)(\|u_k - x^*\|^2 \\ &\quad - (1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2), \\ \|y_{k+1} - y^*\|^2 &\leq t_k\|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2 + (1 - t_k)\|\tilde{v}_k - y^*\|^2 \\ &\leq t_k\|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2 + (1 - t_k)(\|v_k - y^*\|^2 \\ &\quad - (1 - \beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|^2). \end{aligned}$$

From the above two inequalities and (3.4) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} s_{k+1} &\leq \|u_k - x^*\|^2 + \|v_k - y^*\|^2 + t_k(\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2) \\ &\quad - (1 - t_k)((1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2 \\ &\quad + (1 - \beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|) \\ &\leq s_k + t_k(\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2) - \gamma_k[2\|Ax_k - By_k\|^2 \\ &\quad - \gamma_k(\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2)] \\ &\quad - (1 - t_k)[(1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2 \\ &\quad + (1 - \beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|] \\ (3.15) \quad &\leq s_k - \eta_k + \mu_k, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mu_k = t_k(\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_k &= \gamma_k[2\|Ax_k - By_k\|^2 - \gamma_k(\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2)] \\ &\quad + (1 - t_k)[(1 - \alpha_k)(\alpha_k - \tau)\|U_{i(k)}u_k - u_k\|^2 \\ &\quad + (1 - \beta_k)(\beta_k - \nu)\|T_{j(k)}v_k - v_k\|]. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from the condition (ii) that  $\sum \lambda_k = \infty$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mu_k = 0$  due to the boundedness of  $\{x_k\}$  and  $\{y_k\}$ .

Next we show that, for any subsequence  $\{k_l\} \subset \{k\}$ ,

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \eta_{k_l} = 0 \Rightarrow \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{k_l} \leq 0.$$

Indeed, for any  $\{k_l\} \subset \{k\}$  and  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \eta_{k_l} = 0$ , by the conditions (ii)-(iv), for any  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, p\}, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, q\}$  we have

$$(3.16) \quad \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{k_l} - U_{i(k_l)}u_{k_l}\| = 0,$$

$$(3.17) \quad \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|v_{k_l} - T_{j(k_l)}v_{k_l}\| = 0.$$

And due to the assumption (3.2) on  $\{\gamma_k\}$  and  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \eta_{k_l} = 0$ , we have

$$(3.18) \quad \begin{aligned} & \varepsilon(\|A^*(Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l})\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l})\|^2) \\ & \leq 2\|Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l}\|^2 - \gamma_{k_l}(\|A^*(Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l})\|^2 \\ & \quad + \|B^*(Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l})\|^2). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \eta_{k_l} = 0$ , the right side of (3.18) immediately converges to zero, i.e.,

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} (\|A^*(Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l})\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l})\|^2) = 0.$$

Therefore, in view of (3.18) again, we readily see

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l}\|^2 = 0.$$

Furthermore, we get

$$(3.19) \quad \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{k_l} - x_{k_l}\| = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_{k_l} \|A^*(Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l})\| = 0,$$

$$(3.20) \quad \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|v_{k_l} - y_{k_l}\| = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \gamma_{k_l} \|B^*(Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l})\| = 0.$$

Then it follows from (3.1), (3.16), (3.19) and the condition (ii) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|x_{k_l+1} - x_{k_l}\| \\ & = \|t_{k_l} f_1(x_{k_l}) + (1 - t_{k_l})(\alpha_{k_l} u_{k_l} + (1 - \alpha_{k_l}) U_{i(k_l)} u_{k_l}) - x_{k_l}\| \\ & \leq t_{k_l} \|f_1(x_{k_l}) - x_{k_l}\| + (1 - t_{k_l}) \alpha_{k_l} \|u_{k_l} - x_{k_l}\| \\ & \quad + (1 - t_{k_l})(1 - \alpha_{k_l}) \|U_{i(k_l)} u_{k_l} - x_{k_l}\| \\ & \leq t_{k_l} \|f_1(x_{k_l}) - x_{k_l}\| + \|u_{k_l} - x_{k_l}\| + \|U_{i(k_l)} u_{k_l} - u_{k_l}\| \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, by (3.1), (3.17), (3.20) and the condition (ii) we have  $\|y_{k_l+1} - y_{k_l}\| \rightarrow 0$ . Now we claim that  $\omega_w(x_{k_l}, y_{k_l}) \subset \Gamma$ . In fact, for any  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \in \omega_w(x_{k_l}, y_{k_l})$ , we get  $\tilde{x} \in \omega_w(x_{k_l})$  and  $\tilde{y} \in \omega_w(y_{k_l})$ . Since  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|x_{k_l+1} - x_{k_l}\| = 0$ , use Lemma 3.4 to choose a subsequence  $\{m_l\} \subset \{k_l\}$  (depending on  $i$ ), for any (fixed)  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, p\}$ , such that  $x_{m_l} \rightarrow \tilde{x}$  and  $i(m_l) = i$  for all  $l$ . And by (3.19) we have  $u_{m_l} \rightarrow \tilde{x}$ . It turns out that

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{m_l} - U_i u_{m_l}\| = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|u_{m_l} - U_{i(m_l)} u_{m_l}\| = 0.$$

Since  $I - U_i$  is demiclosed at the origin, we have  $\tilde{x} \in F(U_i)$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq p$ , that is,  $\tilde{x} \in \cap_{i=1}^p F(U_i)$ . Similarly, we can prove that  $\tilde{y} \in \cap_{j=1}^q F(T_j)$ . On the other hand, it follows from  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \in \omega_w(x_{k_l}, y_{k_l})$  and Lemma 2.9 that  $A\tilde{x} - B\tilde{y} \in \omega_w(A\tilde{x}_{k_l} - B\tilde{y}_{k_l})$ , and the weakly lower semicontinuity of the norm imply

$$\|A\tilde{x} - B\tilde{y}\| \leq \liminf_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|Ax_{k_l} - By_{k_l}\| = 0.$$

Hence  $(\tilde{x}, \tilde{y}) \in \Gamma$ , i.e.,  $\omega_w(x_{k_l}, y_{k_l}) \subset \Gamma$ . It is easy to see that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (1 - (1 - t_k)\rho^2) = 1 - \rho^2$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} t_k(\|f_1(x_k) - x^*\|^2 + \|f_2(y_k) - y^*\|^2) = 0$ . Finally, completing  $\limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{k_l} \leq 0$ , we only need to prove

$$\limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} (\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_{k_l} - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \tilde{v}_{k_l} - y^* \rangle) \leq 0.$$

Indeed, from (3.16)-(3.20), for any  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, p\}, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, q\}$ , we have

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|U_{i(k_l)} u_{k_l} - x_{k_l}\| = \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|T_{j(k_l)} v_{k_l} - y_{k_l}\| = 0,$$

furthermore, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} [\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_{k_l} - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \tilde{v}_{k_l} - y^* \rangle] \\ = & \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} [\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \alpha_{k_l} u_{k_l} + (1 - \alpha_{k_l}) U_{i(k_l)} u_{k_l} - x^* \rangle \\ & + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \beta_{k_l} v_{k_l} + (1 - \beta_{k_l}) T_{j(k_l)} v_{k_l} - y^* \rangle] \\ \leq & \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} [\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \alpha_{k_l} x_{k_l} + (1 - \alpha_{k_l}) x_{k_l} - x^* \rangle \\ & + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \beta_{k_l} y_{k_l} + (1 - \beta_{k_l}) y_{k_l} - y^* \rangle] \\ & + \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} \langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \alpha_{k_l} (u_{k_l} - x_{k_l}) + (1 - \alpha_{k_l}) (U_{i(k_l)} u_{k_l} - x_{k_l}) \rangle \\ & + \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \beta_{k_l} (v_{k_l} - y_{k_l}) + (1 - \beta_{k_l}) (T_{j(k_l)} v_{k_l} - y_{k_l}) \rangle \\ (3.21) \quad = & \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} (\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, x_{k_l} - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, y_{k_l} - y^* \rangle). \end{aligned}$$

By the boundedness of  $\{(x_{k_l}, y_{k_l})\}$  in  $H^*$ , there exists a point  $(p, q) \in H^*$  and a subsequence  $\{(x_{k'_l}, y_{k'_l})\}$  of  $\{(x_{k_l}, y_{k_l})\}$  in  $H^*$  such that  $(x_{k'_l}, y_{k'_l}) \rightharpoonup (p, q)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} & \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} [\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, x_{k_l} - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, y_{k_l} - y^* \rangle] \\ (3.22) \quad = & \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} [\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, x_{k'_l} - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, y_{k'_l} - y^* \rangle]. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $(p, q) \in \omega_w(x_{k'_l}, y_{k'_l}) \subset \omega_w(x_{k_l}, y_{k_l}) \subset \Gamma$ , it directly follows from (3.3), (3.21) and (3.22) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} [\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, \tilde{u}_{k_l} - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, \tilde{v}_{k_l} - y^* \rangle] \\ \leq & \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} [\langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, x_{k'_l} - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, y_{k'_l} - y^* \rangle] \\ = & \langle f_1(x^*) - x^*, p - x^* \rangle + \langle f_2(y^*) - y^*, q - y^* \rangle \\ = & -\langle (I - f_1)x^* - (I - f_2)y^*, (p, q) - (x^*, y^*) \rangle \leq 0, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,  $\limsup_{l \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{k_l} \leq 0$ . Therefore it follows from Lemma 2.8 that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_k = 0$ , that is

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (\|x_k - x^*\|^2 + \|y_k - y^*\|^2) = 0,$$

which implies that  $\{(x_k, y_k)\}$  generated by Algorithm 3.1 converges strongly to  $(x^*, y^*) \in \Gamma$  which is the unique solution of the VIP (3.3).  $\square$

Taking  $U_1 = U_2 = \dots = U_p = U$ ,  $T_1 = T_2 = \dots = T_q = T$ , the Algorithm 3.1 reduces to the following algorithm:

**Algorithm 3.6.** Let  $x_0 \in H_1$ ,  $y_0 \in H_2$  be arbitrary given and  $p, q \geq 1$  be integers. Let  $f_1 : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  and  $f_2 : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  be two contractions with constants  $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in [0, 1)$ . Let the sequences  $\{\alpha_k\}, \{\beta_k\}, \{t_k\} \subset [0, 1]$ . Assume that the  $k$ th iterate

$(x_k, y_k) \in H^*$  has been constructed and  $Ax_k - By_k \neq 0$ , then we calculate  $(k + 1)$ th iterate  $(x_{k+1}, y_{k+1})$  in  $H^*$  via the formula

$$\begin{cases} u_k = x_k - \gamma_k A^*(Ax_k - By_k), \\ x_{k+1} = t_k f_1(x_k) + (1 - t_k)(\alpha_k u_k + (1 - \alpha_k)Uu_k), \\ v_k = y_k + \gamma_k B^*(Ax_k - By_k), \\ y_{k+1} = t_k f_2(y_k) + (1 - t_k)(\beta_k v_k + (1 - \beta_k)Tv_k), \quad \forall k \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Assume the stepsize  $\gamma_k$  is chosen in such a way that

$$\gamma_k \in (\varepsilon, \min\{\eta, \frac{2\|Ax_k - By_k\|^2}{\|A^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_k - By_k)\|^2}\} - \varepsilon)$$

for all  $k \in \Omega$  and small enough  $\varepsilon > 0$ , where the index set  $\Omega = \{k : Ax_k - By_k \neq 0\}$ ,

$$\eta = \frac{2\|Ax_l - By_l\|^2}{\|A^*(Ax_l - By_l)\|^2 + \|B^*(Ax_l - By_l)\|^2}, \quad l = \min_{k \in \Omega}\{k\},$$

otherwise,  $\gamma_k = \gamma$  ( $\gamma$  being any nonnegative value). If  $Ax_k = By_k = 0$ , then  $u_k = x_k, v_k = y_k$  and

$$\begin{cases} x_{k+1} = t_k f_1(x_k) + (1 - t_k)(\alpha_k x_k + (1 - \alpha_k)Ux_k), \\ y_{k+1} = t_k f_2(y_k) + (1 - t_k)(\beta_k y_k + (1 - \beta_k)Ty_k). \end{cases}$$

By Theorem 3.5, we have the following result.

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  be real Hilbert spaces. Given two bounded linear operators  $A : H_1 \rightarrow H_3, B : H_2 \rightarrow H_3$ , let  $U : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  and  $T : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  be  $\tau$ -demicontractive and  $\mu$ -demicontractive, respectively. Suppose that  $I - U, I - T$  are demiclosed at origin and the solution set  $\Gamma$  of the SEFP (1.1) is nonempty. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (i)  $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in [0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} t_k = 0$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} t_k = \infty$ ;
- (iii)  $\tau < \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_k \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_k < 1$ ;
- (iv)  $\nu < \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \beta_k \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} \beta_k < 1$ .

*Then the sequence  $\{(x_k, y_k)\}$  generated by Algorithm 3.6 converges strongly to a solution  $(x^*, y^*)$  of the the SEFP (1.1) which is the unique solution of the VIP (3.3).*

Let  $\alpha_k = \beta_k = w_k, t_k = \alpha_k (k \geq 0)$  and  $\nu = \tau = 0$ . Since every 0-demicontractive mapping is quasi-nonexpansive, from Corollary 3.7, we also have the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.8.** *Let  $H_1, H_2, H_3$  be real Hilbert spaces. Given two bounded linear operators  $A : H_1 \rightarrow H_3, B : H_2 \rightarrow H_3$ , let  $U : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  and  $T : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  ( $1 \leq j \leq q$ ) be quasi-nonexpansive with the solution set  $\Gamma$  of the SEFP (1.1) is nonempty. Assume that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (i)  $\rho_1, \rho_2 \in [0, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}})$ ;
- (ii)  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_k = 0$  and  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k = \infty$ ;
- (iii)  $I - U, I - T$  are demiclosed at origin;

(iv)  $w_k \in (0, 1)$  such that  $0 < \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} w_k \leq \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} w_k < 1$ .

Then the sequence  $\{(x_k, y_k)\}$  generated by Algorithm 3.6 converges strongly to a solution  $(x^*, y^*)$  of the the SEFP (1.1) which is the unique solution of the VIP (3.3).

**Remark 3.9.** Theorem 3.5 extends and develops Theorem 3.2 in [17] from the following aspects:

(a) Two quasi-nonexpansive mappings  $U$  and  $T$  are extended to two finite family of demicontractive mappings  $\{U_i\}_{i=1}^p$  and  $\{T_j\}_{j=1}^q$ , then the split equality fixed point problem is extended to the multiple-set split equality common fixed-point problem.

(b) The parameter sequence  $\{\omega_k\}$  is replaced by two different parameter sequences  $\{\alpha_k\}$  and  $\{\beta_k\}$ .

(c) The advantage of our choice (3.2) of the stepsizes  $\{\gamma_k\}$  lies in the fact that no prior information about the operator norms of  $A$  and  $B$  is required, and still convergence is guaranteed.

(d) In [17], the authors didn't give the unique solution proof of the VIP (3.3), which leads to an incomplete result. In this paper we prove it; see Step 1 in the proof of Theorem 3.5.

Firstly we shall give an example which satisfies all the conditions of the solution set  $\Gamma$  of the MSECFP (1.3), the mappings  $\{U_i\}_{i=1}^p$ , and  $\{T_j\}_{j=1}^q$  in Theorem 3.5.

**Example 3.10.** Let  $H_1 = H_2 = H_3 = \ell_2$  and let  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, p\}$  and  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, q\}$  be arbitrarily fixed. Let  $U_i, T_j : \ell_2 \rightarrow \ell_2$  be defined by  $U_i x = -2ix$  and  $T_j x = -(2j+1)x$  for all  $x \in \ell_2$ . Then it is easy to see that  $\cap_{i=1}^p F(U_i) = \{0\} = \cap_{j=1}^q F(T_j)$  and  $A0 = 0 = B0$ . Thus  $\Gamma = \{(0, 0)\} \neq \emptyset$ . Also  $U_i$  is  $\tau_i$ -demicontractive and  $T_j$  is  $\nu_j$ -demicontractive by Example 2.5 in [11], where  $\tau_i = \frac{2i-1}{2i+1}$  and  $\nu_j = \frac{j}{j+1}$ ; then  $I - U_i$  and  $I - T_j$  are demiclosed at 0 by Remark 2.12 in [11].

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