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# On the proximal point algorithm and demimetric mappings in CAT(0) spaces

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we introduce and study the class of demimetric mappings in CAT(0) spaces. We then propose a modified proximal point algorithm for approximating a common solution of a finite family of minimization problems and fixed point problems in CAT(0) spaces. Furthermore, we establish strong convergence of the proposed algorithm to a common solution of a finite family of minimization problems and fixed point problems for a finite family of demimetric mappings in complete CAT(0) spaces. A numerical example which illustrates the applicability of our proposed algorithm is also given. Our results improve and extend some recent results in the literature.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $D$  be a nonempty subset of a metric space  $(X, d)$ . A point  $x \in X$  is called a fixed point of a nonlinear mapping  $T : D \rightarrow X$ , if  $x = Tx$ . We denote by  $F(T)$  the set of fixed points of  $T$ . The mapping  $T$  is said to be:

(i) *nonexpansive*, if for all  $x, y \in D$ ,

$$d(Tx, Ty) \leq d(x, y),$$

(ii) *quasi-nonexpansive*, if  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and for  $y \in F(T)$ ,  $x \in D$ , we have

$$d(Tx, y) \leq d(x, y),$$

(iii) *k-strictly pseudocontractive*, if there exists  $k \in [0, 1)$ , such that

$$d^2(Tx, Ty) \leq d^2(x, y) + k[d(x, Tx) + d(x, Ty)]^2 \text{ for all } x, y \in D,$$

(iv) *k-demicontractive*, if  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and there exists  $k \in [0, 1)$ , such that

$$d^2(Tx, y) \leq d^2(x, y) + kd^2(Tx, x) \quad \forall x \in D, y \in F(T),$$

(v) *generalized hybrid*, if there exist  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that

$$\alpha d^2(Tx, Ty) + (1 - \alpha)d^2(x, Ty) \leq \beta d^2(Tx, y) + (1 - \beta)d^2(x, y) \text{ for all } x, y \in D.$$

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Clearly, the class of nonexpansive mappings (with nonempty fixed points set) is contained in the class of quasi-nonexpansive mappings, while the class of demicontractive mappings contains both the classes of nonexpansive and quasi-nonexpansive mappings. Moreover, there are several examples in the literature which show that the above inclusions are proper (see for example, [1] and the references therein).

Takahashi [2] (see also [3]) recently introduced a new class of nonlinear mappings in a Hilbert space, namely the class of demimetric mappings, which is defined as follows:

Let  $H$  be a real Hilbert space and  $D$  be a nonempty, closed and convex subset of  $H$ . A mapping  $T : D \rightarrow H$  is called  $k$ -demimetric, if  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and there exists  $k \in (-\infty, 1)$ , such that for any  $x \in D$  and  $y \in F(T)$ , we have

$$\langle x - y, x - Tx \rangle \geq \frac{1 - k}{2} \|x - Tx\|^2. \quad (1.1)$$

The class of  $k$ -demimetric mappings with  $k \in (-\infty, 1)$  is a wide class of mappings known to cover the class of  $k$ -demicontractive mappings with  $k \in [0, 1)$ , generalized hybrid mappings, the metric projections and the resolvents of maximal monotone operators in Hilbert spaces (see [3–5]). We note that the class of  $k$ -demimetric and  $k$ -demicontractive mappings are both quasi-generalizations of the class of  $k$ -strictly pseudocontractive mappings.

The approximation of fixed points of the above nonlinear mappings have been studied extensively by various authors in the settings of both Hilbert and Banach spaces (see [6–12]). The study has now been extended to nonlinear spaces, precisely, CAT(0) spaces. The pioneer work in fixed point theory in CAT(0) spaces was the work of Kirk [13]. After that Dhompongsa and Panyanak [14], Khan and Abass [15], Chan *et al.* [16], among others, continued to obtain interesting results on fixed point theory in CAT(0) spaces. Recently, Berg and Nikolaev [17] introduced an inner product-like notion in CAT(0) spaces called the quasilinearization mapping, which is defined as follows:

Let a pair  $(a, b) \in X \times X$ , denoted by  $\overrightarrow{ab}$ , be called a vector. The quasilinearization map  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : (X \times X) \times (X \times X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by

$$\langle \overrightarrow{ab}, \overrightarrow{cd} \rangle = \frac{1}{2} (d^2(a, d) + d^2(b, c) - d^2(a, c) - d^2(b, d)), \text{ for all } a, b, c, d \in X. \quad (1.2)$$

It is not difficult to see that  $\langle \overrightarrow{ab}, \overrightarrow{ab} \rangle = d^2(a, b)$ ,  $\langle \overrightarrow{ba}, \overrightarrow{cd} \rangle = -\langle \overrightarrow{ab}, \overrightarrow{cd} \rangle$ ,  $\langle \overrightarrow{ab}, \overrightarrow{cd} \rangle = \langle \overrightarrow{ae}, \overrightarrow{cd} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{eb}, \overrightarrow{cd} \rangle$  and  $\langle \overrightarrow{ab}, \overrightarrow{cd} \rangle = \langle \overrightarrow{cd}, \overrightarrow{ab} \rangle$ , for all  $a, b, c, d, e \in X$ . Furthermore, a geodesic space  $X$  is said to satisfy the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality if

$$\langle \overrightarrow{ab}, \overrightarrow{cd} \rangle \leq d(a, b)d(c, d),$$

for all  $a, b, c, d \in X$ . It is well known that a geodesically connected space is a CAT(0) space if and only if it satisfies the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality [14].

Using the inner product-like notion, Liu and Chang [18] introduced the following class of demicontractive-type mappings in CAT(0) spaces:

Let  $X$  be a CAT(0) space and  $D$  be a nonempty subset of  $X$ . A mapping  $T : D \rightarrow X$  is called demicontractive in the sense of [18], if  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and there exists a constant  $k \in (0, 1)$ , such that

$$\langle \overrightarrow{Txy}, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle \leq d^2(x, y) - kd^2(x, Tx), \text{ for all } x \in D, y \in F(T). \quad (1.3)$$

Equivalently,  $T : D \rightarrow X$  is called demicontractive in the sense of [18], if  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and there exists a constant  $k \in (0, 1)$ , such that

$$d^2(Tx, y) \leq d^2(x, y) + (1 - 2k)d^2(x, Tx), \text{ for all } x \in D, y \in F(T). \quad (1.4)$$

Let  $X$  be a CAT(0) space. A mapping  $h : X \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  is said to be

(i) convex if

$$h(\lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda h(x) + (1 - \lambda)h(y) \text{ for all } x, y \in X, \lambda \in (0, 1),$$

(ii) proper, if  $D := \{x \in X : h(x) < +\infty\}$  is nonempty, where  $D$  denotes the domain of  $h$ ,

(iii) lower semi-continuous at a point  $x \in D$  if

$$h(x) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} h(x_n), \quad (1.5)$$

for each sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $D$ , such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ ,

(iv) lower semi-continuous on  $D$  if it is lower semi-continuous at any point in  $D$ .

The Moreau-Yosida resolvent of a proper convex and lower semi-continuous function  $h$  for any  $\lambda > 0$ , is defined as follows:

$$J_{\lambda h}x = \arg \min_{u \in X} \left[ h(u) + \frac{1}{2\lambda} d^2(u, x) \right]$$

for all  $x \in X$ . Jost [19] showed that the mapping  $J_{\lambda h}$  is well-defined and nonexpansive for all  $\lambda > 0$ .

The minimization problem deals with finding minimizers of a convex functional, that is, the problem of finding a point  $x \in X$ , such that

$$h(x) = \min_{u \in X} h(u). \quad (1.6)$$

The set of solutions (minimizers) that satisfy (1.6) is denoted by  $\arg \min_{u \in X} h(u)$ . We note from [19] that  $F(J_{\lambda h}) = \arg \min_{u \in X} h(u)$ .

The Proximal Point Algorithm (PPA) is a vital tool for solving problem (1.6). PPA was first introduced for Hilbert spaces by Martinet [20] in 1970 and Rockafellar [21] in 1976. After that several authors have also used PPA to obtain convergence results in Hilbert and Banach spaces (see [22]–[28]). The PPA in CAT(0) spaces started with the work of Bačák [29] in 2013. He introduced the following PPA for solving (1.6) in a CAT(0) space:

$$x_{n+1} = \arg \min_{u \in X} \left[ h(u) \oplus \frac{1}{2\lambda_n} d^2(y, x_n) \right], \quad (1.7)$$

for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $\lambda_n > 0$ , such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \lambda_n = \infty$ . Bačák [29] obtained a  $\Delta$ -convergence result of (1.7) to a minimizer of  $h$ . In 2015, Chlomajak *et al.* [30] considered the following iterative algorithm for finding a minimizer of a proper convex and lower semicontinuous function and common fixed points of two nonexpansive mappings in complete CAT(0) spaces:

$$\begin{cases} z_n = \arg \min_{u \in X} \left[ h(u) \oplus \frac{1}{2\lambda_n} d^2(u, x_n) \right], \\ y_n = \beta_n x_n \oplus (1 - \beta_n) T_1 z_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \alpha_n T_1 x_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n) T_2 y_n \text{ for all } n \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad (1.8)$$

where  $0 < a \leq \alpha_n, \beta_n \leq b < 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$  and  $\lambda_n \geq \lambda > 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . They showed that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to an element of  $\Gamma := \arg \min_{u \in X} h(u) \cap F(T_1) \cap F(T_2)$ , provided  $\Gamma$  is nonempty.

Very recently, Lerkchaiyaphum and Phuengrattana [31] proposed the following modified PPA in CAT(0) spaces for finding a common minimizer of a finite family of proper convex and lower semicontinuous functions, and a common fixed point of a finite family of nonexpansive mappings in a CAT(0) space. More precisely, they proved the following theorem:

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $D$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$ . Let  $\{h_i\}_{i=1}^N$  be a finite family of proper, convex and lower semicontinuous functions of  $D$  into  $(-\infty, \infty]$  and  $\{T_i\}_{i=1}^N$  be a finite family of nonexpansive mappings of  $D$  into itself. Suppose that  $\mathcal{F} = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \arg \min_{u \in D} h_i(u) \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^N F(T_i)$  is nonempty. For  $x_1 \in D$ , let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $D$  defined by*

$$\begin{cases} y_n^{(i)} = \arg \min_{u \in X} \left[ h_i(u) \oplus \frac{1}{2\lambda_n^{(i)}} d^2(u, x_n) \right], \\ z_n = \beta_n^{(0)} x_n \oplus \beta_n^{(1)} y_n^{(1)} \oplus \beta_n^{(2)} y_n^{(2)} \oplus \cdots \oplus \beta_n^{(N)} y_n^{(N)}, \\ w_n = \gamma_n^{(0)} z_n \oplus \gamma_n^{(1)} T_1 z_n^{(1)} \oplus \gamma_n^{(2)} T_2 z_n^{(2)} \oplus \cdots \oplus \gamma_n^{(N)} T_N z_n^{(N)}, \\ x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n) w_n \text{ for all } n \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad (1.9)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n^{(i)}\}, \{\gamma_n^{(i)}\}$  are sequences in  $[0, 1]$ , such that  $0 < a \leq \alpha_n, \beta_n^{(i)}, \gamma_n^{(i)} \leq b < 1$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^N \beta_n^{(i)} = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^N \gamma_n^{(i)} = 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , and  $\{\lambda_n^{(i)}\}$  is a sequence such that  $\lambda_n^{(i)} \leq \lambda^{(i)} > 0$  for all  $n \geq 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to an element of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Inspired by the works of Takahashi [3], Lerkchaiyaphum and Phuengrattana [31], we introduce the class of  $k$ -demimetric mappings in the framework of CAT(0) spaces and prove a strong convergence theorem for a common solution of a finite family of minimization problems and fixed point problems involving this class of mappings in complete CAT(0) spaces. Our results improve and extend the work of Takahashi [3], Chlomajiak et al. [30], Lerkchaiyaphum and Phuengrattana [31].

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space,  $x, y \in X$  and  $I = [0, d(x, y)]$ . A curve  $c$  (or simply a geodesic path) joining  $x$  to  $y$  is an isometry  $c : I \rightarrow X$ , such that  $c(0) = x$ ,  $c(d(x, y)) = y$  and  $d(c(t), c(t')) = |t - t'|$  for all  $t, t' \in I$ . The image of a geodesic path is called the geodesic segment, which is denoted by  $[x, y]$  whenever it is unique. We say a metric space  $X$  is a geodesic space if for every pair of points  $x, y \in X$ , there is a minimal geodesic from  $x$  to  $y$ . A geodesic triangle  $\Delta(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  in a geodesic metric space  $(X, d)$  consists of three vertices (points in  $X$ ) with unparameterized geodesic segments between each pair of vertices. For any geodesic triangle there is comparison (Alexandrov) triangle  $\bar{\Delta} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ , such that  $d(x_i, x_j) = d_{\mathbb{R}^2}(\bar{x}_i, \bar{x}_j)$ , for  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

A geodesic space  $X$  is a CAT(0) space if the distance between an arbitrary pair of points on a geodesic triangle  $\Delta$  does not exceed the distance between its corresponding pair of points on its comparison triangle  $\bar{\Delta}$ . If  $\Delta$  and  $\bar{\Delta}$  are geodesic and comparison triangles in  $X$  respectively, then  $\Delta$  is said to satisfy the CAT(0) inequality for all points  $x, y$  of  $\Delta$  and  $\bar{x}, \bar{y}$  of  $\bar{\Delta}$  if

$$d(x, y) \leq d_{\mathbb{R}^2}(\bar{x}, \bar{y}). \quad (2.1)$$

Let  $x, y, z$  be points in  $X$  and  $y_0$  be the midpoint of the segment  $[y, z]$ , then the CAT(0) inequality implies

$$d^2(x, y_0) \leq \frac{1}{2}d^2(x, y) + \frac{1}{2}d^2(x, z) - \frac{1}{4}d^2(y, z). \quad (2.2)$$

For more properties of CAT(0) spaces, see [32–34] and the references therein.

Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $X$  and  $r(\cdot, \{x_n\}) : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a continuous mapping defined by  $r(x, \{x_n\}) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, x_n)$ . The asymptotic radius of  $\{x_n\}$  is given by  $r(\{x_n\}) := \inf\{r(x, \{x_n\}) : x \in X\}$  while the asymptotic center of  $\{x_n\}$  is the set  $A(\{x_n\}) = \{x \in X : r(x, \{x_n\}) = r(\{x_n\})\}$ . It is known that in a Hadamard space  $X$ ,  $A(\{x_n\})$  consists of exactly one point. A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$  is said to be  $\Delta$ -convergent to a point  $x \in X$  if  $A(\{x_{n_k}\}) = \{x\}$  for every subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$ . In this case, we write  $\Delta\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$  (see [35, 36]).

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $D$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$ . A mapping  $T : D \rightarrow D$  is said to be  $\Delta$ -demiclosed, if for any bounded sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$ , such that  $\Delta\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx_n) = 0$ , then  $x = Tx$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $D$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a CAT(0) space  $X$ . The metric projection is a mapping  $P_D : X \rightarrow D$  which assigns to each  $x \in X$ , the unique point  $P_D x$  in  $D$ , such that

$$d(x, P_D x) = \inf\{d(x, y) : y \in D\}.$$

Recall that a mapping  $T$  is *firmly nonexpansive* (see [37]), if

$$d^2(Tx, Ty) \leq \overrightarrow{\langle TxTy, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle} \text{ for all } x, y \in X. \quad (2.3)$$

It follows from the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality that firmly nonexpansive mappings are nonexpansive. Metric projection mapping is an example of a firmly nonexpansive mapping (see [37, Corollary 3.8]). The notion of firmly nonexpansive mappings was first introduced in nonlinear settings in [38]. We also remark here that (2.3) corresponds to property  $(P_2)$  (Definition 2.7) of [39].

We give some known and useful results which will be needed in the proof of our main theorem. In the sequel, we denote strong and  $\Delta$ -convergence by " $\rightarrow$ " and " $\rightharpoonup$ ", respectively.

**Lemma 2.3.** [14] *Let  $X$  be a  $CAT(0)$  space, then for each  $x, y \in X$  and  $t \in [0, 1]$ , there exists a unique point  $z \in [x, y]$ , such that*

$$d(z, x) = (1 - t)d(x, y) \text{ and } d(z, y) = td(x, y). \quad (2.4)$$

In this case, we write  $z = tx \oplus (1 - t)y$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** [19] *Let  $(X, d)$  be a complete  $CAT(0)$  space and  $h : X \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  be proper, convex and lower semi-continuous. Then the following identity holds:*

$$J_{\lambda h}x = J_{\mu h}\left(\frac{\lambda - \mu}{\lambda}J_{\lambda h}x \oplus \frac{\mu}{\lambda}x\right),$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $\lambda \geq \mu > 0$ .

**Lemma 2.5.** [14, 40] *Let  $X$  be a  $CAT(0)$  space. Then for all  $x, y, z \in X$  and all  $t \in [0, 1]$ , we have*

1.  $d(tx \oplus (1 - t)y, z) \leq td(x, z) + (1 - t)d(y, z)$ ,
2.  $d^2(tx \oplus (1 - t)y, z) \leq td^2(x, z) + (1 - t)d^2(y, z) - t(1 - t)d^2(x, y)$ ,
3.  $d^2(z, tx \oplus (1 - t)y) \leq t^2d^2(z, x) + (1 - t)^2d^2(z, y) + 2t(1 - t)\langle \overrightarrow{zx}, \overrightarrow{zy} \rangle$ .

**Lemma 2.6.** [41] *Let  $X$  be a complete  $CAT(0)$  space. For any  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $u, v \in X$ , let  $u_t = tu \oplus (1 - t)v$ . Then, for all  $x, y \in X$ , we have*

$$\langle \overrightarrow{u_t x}, \overrightarrow{u_t y} \rangle \leq t\langle \overrightarrow{ux}, \overrightarrow{uy} \rangle + (1 - t)\langle \overrightarrow{vx}, \overrightarrow{vy} \rangle.$$

**Lemma 2.7.** [42] *Let  $X$  be a  $CAT(0)$  space and  $z \in X$ . Let  $x_1, \dots, x_N \in X$  and  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_N$  be real numbers in  $[0, 1]$ , such that  $\sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i = 1$ . Then the following inequality holds:*

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \oplus \gamma_i d^2(x_i, z) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_i d^2(x_i, z) - \sum_{i,j=1, i \neq j}^N \gamma_i \gamma_j d^2(x_i, x_j).$$

**Lemma 2.8.** [43] *Every bounded sequence in a complete  $CAT(0)$  space has a  $\Delta$ -convergent subsequence.*

**Lemma 2.9.** [44] *Let  $X$  be a complete  $CAT(0)$  space,  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $X$  and  $x \in X$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to  $x$  if and only if  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle \overrightarrow{x_n x}, \overrightarrow{y x} \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $y \in X$ .*

**Lemma 2.10.** [45] *Let  $X$  be a complete  $CAT(0)$  space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a nonexpansive mapping. Then  $T$  is  $\Delta$ -demiclosed.*

**Lemma 2.11.** [46] *Let  $X$  be a complete  $CAT(0)$  space and  $h : X \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  be a proper, convex and lower semi-continuous mapping. Then, for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $\lambda > 0$ , we have*

$$\frac{1}{2\lambda} d^2(J_{\lambda h}x, y) - \frac{1}{2\lambda} d^2(x, y) + \frac{1}{2\lambda} d^2(x, J_{\lambda h}x) + h(J_{\lambda h}x) \leq h(y). \quad (2.5)$$

**Lemma 2.12.** [47] *Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence of non-negative real numbers satisfying*

$$a_{n+1} \leq (1 - \alpha_n)a_n + \alpha_n \delta_n + \gamma_n, \quad n \geq 0,$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$ ,  $\{\delta_n\}$  and  $\{\gamma_n\}$  satisfy the following conditions:

(i)  $\{\alpha_n\} \subset [0, 1]$ ,  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ ,

(ii)  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta_n \leq 0$ ,

(iii)  $\gamma_n \geq 0$  ( $n \geq 0$ ),  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \gamma_n < \infty$ .

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

**Lemma 2.13.** [48] Let  $\{a_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers, such that there exists a subsequence  $\{n_j\}$  of  $\{n\}$  with  $a_{n_j} < a_{n_j+1}$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then there exists a nondecreasing sequence  $\{m_k\} \subset \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $m_k \rightarrow \infty$  and the following properties are satisfied by all (sufficiently large) numbers  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$a_{m_k} \leq a_{m_k+1} \text{ and } a_k \leq a_{m_k+1}.$$

In fact,  $m_k = \max\{i \leq k : a_i < a_{i+1}\}$ .

### 3 Main results

We first give the definition of a  $k$ -demimetric mapping in a CAT(0) space. We begin with the following facts which led to our definition.

If  $T$  is a  $k$ -demicontractive mapping with  $k \in [0, 1]$ , then

$$d^2(Tx, y) \leq d^2(x, y) + kd^2(x, Tx) \text{ for all } x \in X, y \in F(T). \quad (3.1)$$

Also, by definition of quasilinearization mapping (see (1.2)), we obtain that

$$2\langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle = d^2(x, y) + d^2(Tx, x) - d^2(Tx, y).$$

That is,

$$d^2(Tx, y) = d^2(x, y) + d^2(Tx, x) - 2\langle \overrightarrow{xTx}, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle,$$

which implies from (3.1) that

$$\langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle \geq \frac{1-k}{2} d^2(x, Tx). \quad (3.2)$$

Motivated by (3.2) above, we define the demimetric mapping in a CAT(0) space as follows:

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $X$  be a CAT(0) space and  $D$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of  $X$ . A mapping  $T : D \rightarrow X$  is said to be  $k$ -demimetric if  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and there exists  $k \in (-\infty, 1)$ , such that

$$\langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle \geq \frac{1-k}{2} d^2(x, Tx) \text{ for all } x \in X, y \in F(T). \quad (3.3)$$

Clearly, the class of  $k$ -demimetric mappings with  $k \in (-\infty, 1)$  contains the class of  $k$ -demicontractive mappings with  $k \in [0, 1]$ .

**Remark 3.2.** If  $T$  is a generalized hybrid mapping with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ , then for  $x \in D$  and  $y \in F(T)$  we obtain that

$$\alpha d^2(Tx, y) + (1 - \alpha) d^2(x, y) \leq \beta d^2(Tx, y) + (1 - \beta) d^2(x, y),$$

which implies that

$$d^2(Tx, y) \leq d^2(x, y). \quad (3.4)$$

Now, from (3.4) and the definition of quasilinearization, we obtain that

$$2\langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle = d^2(x, Tx) + d^2(x, y) - d^2(y, Tx) \geq d^2(x, Tx) + d^2(x, y) - d^2(x, y),$$

which implies that

$$\langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle \geq \frac{1-0}{2} d^2(x, Tx). \quad (3.5)$$

Also,  $T$  is firmly nonexpansive if

$$d^2(Tx, Ty) \leq \langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{TxTy} \rangle \text{ for all } x, y \in D.$$

If  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ , then for all  $x \in D$  and  $y \in F(T)$ , we have that

$$d^2(Tx, y) \leq \langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{TxTy} \rangle.$$

Therefore, the following implications hold:

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle \overrightarrow{TxTy}, \overrightarrow{TxTy} \rangle \leq \langle \overrightarrow{TxTy}, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle \\ & \Rightarrow \langle \overrightarrow{yTx}, \overrightarrow{yTx} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{yTx}, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle \leq 0 \\ & \Rightarrow \langle \overrightarrow{yTx}, \overrightarrow{yTx} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{yTx}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{yTx}, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle \leq 0 \\ & \Rightarrow \langle \overrightarrow{TxTy}, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{yTx}, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{yTx}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{xTx}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle \leq 0 \\ & \Rightarrow \langle \overrightarrow{TxTx}, \overrightarrow{xy} \rangle + d^2(x, Tx) \leq \langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle, \\ & \Rightarrow \langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{TxTx} \rangle \geq d^2(x, Tx), \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\langle \overrightarrow{xy}, \overrightarrow{xTx} \rangle \geq \frac{1-(-1)}{2} d^2(x, Tx). \quad (3.6)$$

Thus, (3.6) and (3.5) show that generalized hybrid mappings with nonempty fixed point sets and firmly nonexpansive mappings with nonempty fixed point sets are 0 and -1 demimetric mappings respectively. Since metric projection mappings are an example of firmly nonexpansive mappings, then they are demimetric mappings.

**Example 3.3.** Let  $T : [0, 1] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  be defined by  $Tx = x - x^j$ ,  $j \geq 1$ . Then  $T$  is  $k$ -demimetric with  $k = -1$ .

*Proof.* Clearly,  $F(T) = \{0\}$ . Now, for all  $x \in [0, 1]$  and  $j \geq 1$ , we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x - 0, x - Tx \rangle &= \langle x, x^j \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [|x|^2 + |x^j|^2 - |x - x^j|^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [|x|^2 + |x^j|^2 - |x|^2 + 2|x||x^j|^2 - |x^j|^2] \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} [2|x^j||x^j|] = |x^j|^2. \end{aligned}$$

That is,

$$\langle x - 0, x - Tx \rangle \geq \frac{1-(-1)}{2} |x^j|^2.$$

Hence, we have that  $\langle x - 0, x - Tx \rangle \geq \frac{1-(-1)}{2} |x - Tx|^2$ . □

We now study some fixed point properties of  $k$ -demimetric mappings in  $CAT(0)$  spaces.

**Proposition 3.4.** Let  $X$  be a complete  $CAT(0)$  space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a  $k$ -demimetric mapping with  $k \in (-\infty, 1)$ , such that  $F(T)$  is nonempty. Then  $F(T)$  is closed and convex.

*Proof.* We first show that  $F(T)$  is closed. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $F(T)$ , such that  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $x^*$ . Then from Definition 3.5, we have that

$$\langle \overrightarrow{x^*x_n}, \overrightarrow{x^*Tx^*} \rangle \geq \frac{1-k}{2} d^2(x^*, Tx^*),$$

which implies by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality that

$$d(x^*, x_n)d(x^*, Tx^*) \geq \frac{1-k}{2} d^2(x^*, Tx^*). \quad (3.7)$$

Taking limits on both sides of (3.7), we obtain that  $\frac{1-k}{2} d^2(x^*, Tx^*) \leq 0$ . By the condition on  $k$ , we obtain that  $d(x^*, Tx^*) = 0$ . Thus,  $x^* \in F(T)$ . Therefore,  $F(T)$  is closed.

Next, we show that  $F(T)$  is convex. For this, let  $x, y \in F(T)$ . Then it suffices to show that  $(tx \oplus (1-t)y) \in F(T)$ , for  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Set  $z = tx \oplus (1-t)y$ ,  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Then by Definition 3.1, we obtain from Lemma 2.6 that

$$\begin{aligned} d^2(z, Tz) &= \langle \overrightarrow{zTz}, \overrightarrow{zTz} \rangle \\ &= \langle \overrightarrow{(tx \oplus (1-t)y)Tz}, \overrightarrow{zTz} \rangle \\ &\leq t \langle \overrightarrow{xTz}, \overrightarrow{zTz} \rangle + (1-t) \langle \overrightarrow{yTz}, \overrightarrow{zTz} \rangle \\ &= t [\langle \overrightarrow{xz}, \overrightarrow{zTz} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{zTz}, \overrightarrow{zTz} \rangle] + (1-t) [\langle \overrightarrow{yz}, \overrightarrow{zTz} \rangle + \langle \overrightarrow{zTz}, \overrightarrow{zTz} \rangle] \\ &\leq \frac{t(k-1)}{2} d^2(z, Tz) + td^2(z, Tz) + \frac{(1-t)(k-1)}{2} d^2(z, Tz) + (1-t)d^2(z, Tz) \\ &= \frac{k-1}{2} d^2(z, Tz) + d^2(z, Tz), \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $\frac{k-1}{2} d^2(z, Tz) \geq 0$ . By the condition on  $k$ , we obtain that  $d^2(z, Tz) \leq 0$ . Hence,  $z = Tz$  and this yields the desired conclusion.  $\square$

The following Lemma is a cardinal property of all kinds of mappings derived from strictly pseudocontractions. The Lemma first appeared in the setting of Hilbert spaces [[49], Theorem 2]. We state the lemma for  $k$ -demimetric mappings in a CAT(0) space setting and give the proof for completeness.

**Lemma 3.5.** *Let  $X$  be a CAT(0) space and  $T : X \rightarrow X$  be a  $k$ -demimetric mapping with  $k \in (-\infty, \lambda]$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ , such that  $F(T)$  is nonempty. Suppose that  $T_\lambda x = \lambda x \oplus (1-\lambda)Tx$ . Then  $T_\lambda$  is quasi-nonexpansive and  $F(T_\lambda) = F(T)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $x \in X$  and  $z \in F(T)$ . Then, from Definition 3.1 and Lemma 2.6 we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \overrightarrow{zx}, \overrightarrow{xT_\lambda x} \rangle &= \langle \overrightarrow{zx}, \overrightarrow{x(\lambda x \oplus (1-\lambda)Tx)} \rangle \\ &= \langle \overrightarrow{(\lambda x \oplus (1-\lambda)Tx)x}, \overrightarrow{xz} \rangle \\ &\leq \lambda \langle \overrightarrow{zx}, \overrightarrow{xz} \rangle + (1-\lambda) \langle \overrightarrow{Tx x}, \overrightarrow{xz} \rangle \\ &= (1-\lambda) \langle \overrightarrow{xz}, \overrightarrow{Tx x} \rangle \\ &\leq \frac{(1-\lambda)^2(k-1)}{2(1-\lambda)} d^2(x, Tx). \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Now, from Lemma 2.3, we obtain that  $d^2(x, T_\lambda x) = (1-\lambda)^2 d^2(x, Tx)$ . Substituting this in (3.8), we obtain

$$\langle \overrightarrow{zx}, \overrightarrow{xT_\lambda x} \rangle \leq \frac{k-1}{2(1-\lambda)} d^2(x, T_\lambda x),$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \overrightarrow{xz}, \overrightarrow{xT_\lambda x} \rangle &\geq \frac{1-k}{2(1-\lambda)} d^2(x, T_\lambda x) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} d^2(x, T_\lambda x). \end{aligned}$$



Thus, by (1.2), we obtain that

$$d^2(x, T_\lambda x) + d^2(z, x) - d^2(z, T_\lambda x) \geq d^2(x, T_\lambda x).$$

That is,

$$d^2(z, T_\lambda x) \leq d^2(z, x).$$

Hence,  $T_\lambda$  is quasi-nonexpansive.

We next show that  $F(T_\lambda) = F(T)$ . Let  $x \in F(T_\lambda)$ , then  $x = T_\lambda x$ . So,

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, Tx) &= d(\lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)Tx, Tx) \\ &\leq \lambda d(x, Tx), \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $(1 - \lambda)d(x, Tx) \leq 0$ . Since  $\lambda < 1$ , we obtain that  $d(x, Tx) \leq 0$ .

Therefore,  $x \in F(T)$ , and thus  $F(T_\lambda) \subseteq F(T)$ .

Conversely, let  $x \in F(T)$ , then  $x = Tx$ . By Lemma 2.5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, T_\lambda x) &= d(Tx, \lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)Tx) \\ &\leq \lambda d(Tx, x) + (1 - \lambda)d(Tx, Tx) \\ &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $d(x, T_\lambda x) = 0$ . Thus,  $x \in F(T_\lambda)$  and therefore  $F(T) \subseteq F(T_\lambda)$ . Hence, we obtain the desired result.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $D$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete  $CAT(0)$  space  $X$ , and  $h_i : X \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$  be a finite family of proper, convex and lower semi-continuous functions. Let  $T_i : D \rightarrow D$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$  be a finite family of  $k_i$ -demimetric mappings with  $k_i \in (-\infty, \lambda]$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Suppose that  $\Gamma = (\cap_{i=1}^N \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in X} h_i(u)) \cap (\cap_{i=1}^N F(T_i))$  is nonempty and  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence generated for arbitrary  $x_1, u \in X$  by

$$\begin{cases} v_n = (1 - t_n)x_n \oplus t_n u, \\ y_n = J_{r_n h_1} \circ J_{r_n h_2} \circ \dots \circ J_{r_n h_N} v_n, \\ z_n = P_D(\beta_n^{(0)} v_n \oplus \beta_n^{(1)} y_n \oplus \dots \oplus \beta_n^{(N)} y_n), \\ w_n = \gamma_n^{(0)} z_n \oplus \gamma_n^{(1)} T_{1\lambda} z_n \oplus \gamma_n^{(2)} T_{2\lambda} z_n \oplus \dots \oplus \gamma_n^{(N)} T_{N\lambda} z_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \alpha_n v_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n) w_n \text{ for all } n \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad (3.9)$$

where  $T_{i\lambda} x = \lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)T_i x$ , such that  $T_{i\lambda}$  are  $\Delta$ -demiclosed for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . Suppose that  $\{t_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$ ,  $\{\beta_n^{(i)}\}$  and  $\{\gamma_n^{(i)}\}$  are sequences in  $[0, 1]$ , such that the following conditions are satisfied:

C1 :  $0 < a \leq \alpha_n, \beta_n^{(i)}, \gamma_n^{(i)} \leq b < 1$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^N \beta_n^{(i)} = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^N \gamma_n^{(i)} = 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

C2 :  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n = \infty$ ,

C3 :  $\{r_n\}$  is a sequence of real numbers, such that  $r_n \geq r > 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a point in  $\Gamma$ .

*Proof.* Let  $p \in \Gamma$ , from Lemma 3.5, we obtain that  $p = T_{i\lambda} p$ . Also, we have that  $p = J_{r_n h_i} p$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . Thus, we obtain from (3.9), Lemma 2.7 and Lemma 3.5 that

$$\begin{aligned} d(w_n, p) &= d(\gamma_n^{(0)} z_n \oplus \gamma_n^{(1)} T_{1\lambda} z_n \oplus \dots \oplus \gamma_n^{(N)} T_{N\lambda} z_n, p) \\ &\leq \gamma_n^{(0)} d(z_n, p) + \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(i)} d(T_{i\lambda} z_n, p) \\ &\leq \gamma_n^{(0)} d(z_n, p) + \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(i)} d(z_n, p) \\ &= d(z_n, p). \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

From (3.9) and (3.10), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(z_n, p) &\leq d(\beta_n^{(0)}v_n \oplus \beta_n^{(1)}y_n \oplus \cdots \oplus \beta_n^{(N)}y_n, p) \\
 &\leq \beta_n^{(0)}d(v_n, p) + \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(i)}d(y_n, p) \\
 &\leq \beta_n^{(0)}d(v_n, p) + \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(i)}d(J_{r_n h_1} \circ J_{r_n h_2} \cdots \circ J_{r_n h_N} v_n, p) \\
 &\leq \beta_n^{(0)}d(v_n, p) + \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(i)}d(v_n, p) \\
 &= d(v_n, p).
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

From (3.9), (3.10) and (3.11), we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_{n+1}, p) &= d(\alpha_n v_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n)w_n, p) \\
 &\leq \alpha_n d(v_n, p) + (1 - \alpha_n)d(w_n, p) \\
 &\leq \alpha_n d(v_n, p) + (1 - \alpha_n)d(z_n, p) \\
 &\leq \alpha_n d(v_n, p) + (1 - \alpha_n)d(v_n, p) \\
 &= d(v_n, p) \\
 &= d((1 - t_n)x_n \oplus t_n, p) \\
 &\leq (1 - t_n)d(x_n, p) + t_n d(u, p) \\
 &\leq \max\{d(x_n, p), d(u, p)\},
 \end{aligned} \tag{3.12}$$

which implies by induction that

$$d(x_{n+1}, p) \leq \max\{d(x_1, p), d(u, p)\}, \text{ for all } n \geq 1.$$

Hence  $d(x_n, p)$  is bounded, and so are  $\{v_n\}$ ,  $\{z_n\}$ ,  $\{w_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$ .

Now from (3.9), (3.10), (3.11), Lemma 2.5 and Lemma 2.7, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d^2(x_{n+1}, p) &= d^2(\alpha_n v_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n)w_n, p) \\
 &\leq \alpha_n d^2(v_n, p) + (1 - \alpha_n)d^2(w_n, p) - \alpha(1 - \alpha_n)d^2(v_n, w_n) \\
 &\leq \alpha_n d^2(v_n, p) + (1 - \alpha_n)[\gamma_n^{(0)}d^2(z_n, p) + \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(i)}d^2(T_{i\lambda}z_n, p) - \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(0)}\gamma_n^{(i)}d^2(z_n, T_{i\lambda}z_n) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^N \gamma_n^{(i)}\gamma_n^{(j)}d^2(T_{i\lambda}z_n, T_{j\lambda}z_n)] - \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n)d^2(v_n, w_n) \\
 &\leq \alpha_n d^2(v_n, p) + (1 - \alpha_n)[\gamma_n^{(0)}d^2(z_n, p) + \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(i)}d^2(z_n, p) - \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(0)}\gamma_n^{(i)}d^2(z_n, T_{i\lambda}z_n) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^N \gamma_n^{(i)}\gamma_n^{(j)}d^2(T_{i\lambda}z_n, T_{j\lambda}z_n)] - \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n)d^2(v_n, w_n) \\
 &\leq \alpha_n d^2(v_n, p) + (1 - \alpha_n)[d^2(z_n, p) - \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(0)}\gamma_n^{(i)}d^2(z_n, T_{i\lambda}z_n)] - \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n)d^2(v_n, w_n) \\
 &\leq \alpha_n d^2(v_n, p) + (1 - \alpha_n)[\beta_n^{(0)}d^2(v_n, p) + \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(i)}d^2(y_n, p) - \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(0)}\beta_n^{(i)}d^2(v_n, y_n) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^N \beta_n^{(i)}\beta_n^{(j)}d^2(y_n^{(i)}, y_n^{(j)})] - \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(0)}\gamma_n^{(i)}d^2(z_n, T_{i\lambda}z_n) - \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n)d^2(v_n, w_n)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& d^2(v_n, p) - (1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(0)} \beta_n^{(i)} d^2(v_n, y_n) - (1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{i=1, i \neq j}^N \beta_n^{(i)} \beta_n^{(j)} d^2(y_n^{(i)}, y_n^{(j)}) \\
& - (1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(0)} \gamma_n^{(i)} d^2(z_n, T_{i\lambda} z_n) - \alpha_n (1 - \alpha_n) d^2(v_n, w_n) \\
& \leq (1 - t_n) d^2(x_n, p) + t_n d^2(u, p) - t_n (1 - t_n) d^2(u, x_n) - (1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(0)} \beta_n^{(i)} d^2(v_n, y_n) \\
& - (1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(0)} \gamma_n^{(i)} d^2(z_n, T_{i\lambda} z_n) - \alpha_n (1 - \alpha_n) d^2(v_n, w_n) \\
& \leq (1 - t_n) d^2(x_n, p) + t_n d^2(u, p) - t_n (1 - t_n) d^2(u, x_n) - \alpha_n (1 - \alpha_n) d^2(v_n, w_n).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.13}$$

From (3.5) and condition C2, we obtain that

$$d(v_n, x_n) \leq t_n d(u, x_n) \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \tag{3.14}$$

Now we divide the rest of the proof into two cases:

**Case 1:** Assume that  $\{d^2(x_n, p)\}$  is a monotonically non-increasing sequence. Clearly,  $\{d^2(x_n, p)\}$  is convergent and

$$d^2(x_n, p) - d^2(x_{n+1}, p) \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

So from (3.13), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\alpha_n (1 - \alpha) d^2(v_n, w_n) & \leq (1 - t_n) d^2(x_n, p) + t_n d^2(u, p) - d^2(x_{n+1}, p) \\
& = t_n [d^2(u, p) - d^2(x_n, p)] + d^2(x_n, p) - d^2(x_{n+1}, p),
\end{aligned}$$

which implies by condition C2 that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(v_n, w_n) = 0. \tag{3.15}$$

Similarly,

$$(1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(0)} \gamma_n^{(i)} d^2(z_n, T_{i\lambda} z_n) \leq t_n [d^2(u, p) - d^2(x_n, p)] + d^2(x_n, p) - d^2(x_{n+1}, p) \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence, by condition C2, we obtain that

$$(1 - \alpha_n) \sum_{i=1}^N \gamma_n^{(0)} \gamma_n^{(i)} d^2(z_n, T_{i\lambda} z_n) \rightarrow 0,$$

and thus,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(z_n, T_{i\lambda} z_n) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N. \tag{3.16}$$

In a similar way, from (3.11) we obtain that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(v_n, y_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(J_{r_n h_1} \circ \dots \circ J_{r_n h_N} v_n, v_n) = 0. \tag{3.17}$$

Let  $c_n^{(i)} = J_{r_n h_i} c_n^{(i+1)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , where  $c_n^{(N+1)} = v_n$  for all  $n \geq 1$ . Then,  $c_n^{(1)} = y_n$ . By Lemma 2.11, we obtain

$$\frac{1}{2r_n} d^2(c_n^{(i)}, p) - \frac{1}{2r_n} d^2(c_n^{(i+1)}, p) + \frac{1}{2r_n} d^2(c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i)}) + h(c_n^{(i)}) \leq h(p).$$

Since  $h(p) \leq h(c_n^{(i)})$ , we obtain

$$d^2(c_n^{(i)}, c_n^{(i+1)}) \leq d^2(c_n^{(i+1)}, p) - d^2(c_n^{(i)}, p). \tag{3.18}$$

Now, taking the sum from  $i = 1$  to  $i = N$  in (3.18), from (3.17) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^N d^2(c_n^{(i)}, c_n^{(i+1)}) &\leq d^2(c_n^{(N+1)}, p) - d^2(c_n^{(1)}, p) \\ &= d^2(v_n, p) - d^2(y_n, p) \\ &\leq d^2(y_n, v_n) + 2d(y_n, v_n)d(v_n, p) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(c_n^{(i)}, c_n^{(i+1)}) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (3.19)$$

Thus, for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , we obtain by applying the triangle inequality that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow 0} d(c_n^{(i)}, c_n^{(N+1)}) = 0$ . That is,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(c_n^{(i)}, v_n) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (3.20)$$

Since  $r_n \geq r > 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , from Lemma 2.5, Lemma 2.4, (3.19) and the nonexpansivity of  $J_{rh_i}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$  we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} d(c_n^{(i+1)}, J_{rh_i} c_n^{(i+1)}) &\leq d(c_n^{(i+1)}, J_{r_n h_i} c_n^{(i+1)}) + d(J_{r_n h_i} c_n^{(i+1)}, J_{rh_i} c_n^{(i+1)}) \\ &= d(c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i)}) + d\left(J_{rh_i} \left(\frac{r_n - r}{r_n} J_{r_n h_i} c_n^{(i+1)} \oplus \frac{r}{r_n} c_n^{(i+1)}\right), J_{rh_i} c_n^{(i+1)}\right) \\ &\leq d(c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i)}) + d\left(\frac{r_n - r}{r_n} J_{r_n h_i} c_n^{(i+1)} \oplus \frac{r}{r_n} c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i+1)}\right) \\ &\leq \left(2 - \frac{r}{r_n}\right) d(c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i)}) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N. \end{aligned} \quad (3.21)$$

By (3.19), (3.20) and (3.21), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} d(J_{rh_i} v_n, v_n) &\leq d(J_{rh_i} v_n, J_{rh_i} c_n^{(i+1)}) + d(J_{rh_i} c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i+1)}) + d(c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i)}) + d(c_n^{(i)}, v_n) \\ &\leq d(v_n, c_n^{(i)}) + d(c_n^{(i)}, c_n^{(i+1)}) + d(J_{rh_i} c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i+1)}) + d(c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i)}) + d(c_n^{(i)}, v_n) \\ &= 2d(v_n, c_n^{(i)}) + 2d(c_n^{(i)}, c_n^{(i+1)}) + d(J_{rh_i} c_n^{(i+1)}, c_n^{(i+1)}) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

That is,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(J_{rh_i} v_n, v_n) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (3.22)$$

Let  $a_n = \beta_n^{(0)} v_n \oplus \beta_n^{(1)} y_n \oplus \beta_n^{(2)} y_n \cdots \oplus \beta_n^{(N)} y_n$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} d(a_n, x_n) &= \beta_n^{(0)} d(v_n, x_n) + \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(i)} d(y_n, x_n) \\ &\leq \beta_n^{(0)} d(v_n, x_n) + \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(i)} d(y_n, v_n) + \sum_{i=1}^N \beta_n^{(i)} d(v_n, x_n), \end{aligned}$$

which implies from (3.14) and (3.17) that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(a_n, x_n) = 0. \quad (3.23)$$

We know that  $P_D$  is firmly nonexpansive. Thus, from (3.10), (3.11) and (3.15) we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} d^2(z_n, a_n) &\leq d^2(a_n, p) - d^2(z_n, p) \\ &\leq d^2(v_n, p) - d^2(z_n, p) \\ &\leq d^2(v_n, p) - d^2(w_n, p) \\ &\leq d^2(v_n, w_n) + 2d(v_n, w_n)d(w_n, p) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (3.24)$$

From (3.23) and (3.24), we obtain that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(z_n, x_n) = 0. \quad (3.25)$$

Using a similar method as in [50], [51] and [52], and the fact that  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, it follows from Lemma 2.8 that there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$ , such that  $\Delta - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{n_k} = z$ . It follows from (3.25) that there exists a subsequence  $\{z_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{z_n\}$ , such that  $\Delta - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} z_{n_k} = z$ . By a similar argument, we have that  $\Delta - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} v_{n_k} = z$ . Since  $T_{i_\lambda}$  is  $\Delta$ -demiclosed for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , it follows from (3.16) and Lemma 3.5 that  $z \in \cap_{i=1}^N F(T_{i_\lambda}) = \cap_{i=1}^N F(T_i)$ . Also, since  $J_{rh_i}$  is nonexpansive, for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , we obtain from (3.22) and Lemma 2.10 that  $z \in \cap_{i=1}^N F(J_{rh_i}) = \left( \cap_{i=1}^N \operatorname{argmin}_{y \in X} h_i(y) \right)$ . Hence,  $z \in \Gamma$ .

Furthermore, for an arbitrary  $u \in X$ , by Lemma 2.9 we have that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle \vec{z}\vec{u}, \vec{z}\vec{x}_n \rangle \leq 0, \quad (3.26)$$

which implies by condition C1 that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( t_n d^2(z, u) + 2(1 - t_n) \langle \vec{z}\vec{u}, \vec{z}\vec{x}_n \rangle \right) \leq 0. \quad (3.27)$$

We now show that  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $z$ . By (3.12) and Lemma 2.5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} d^2(x_{n+1}, z) &\leq d^2(v_n, z) \\ &\leq (1 - t_n)^2 d^2(z, x_n) + t_n^2 d^2(z, u) + 2t_n(1 - t_n) \langle \vec{z}\vec{u}, \vec{z}\vec{x}_n \rangle \\ &\leq (1 - t_n) d^2(z, x_n) + t_n \left( t_n d^2(z, u) + 2(1 - t_n) \langle \vec{z}\vec{u}, \vec{z}\vec{x}_n \rangle \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.28)$$

Hence, by (3.27) and Lemma 2.12, we conclude that  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $z$ .

**Case 2:** Suppose that  $\{d^2(x_n, p)\}$  is not monotonically non-increasing. Then, there exists a subsequence  $\{d^2(p, x_{n_i})\}$  of  $\{d^2(p, x_n)\}$ , such that  $d^2(p, x_{n_i}) < d^2(p, x_{n_i+1})$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus, by Lemma 2.13, there exists a non-decreasing sequence  $\{m_k\} \subset \mathbb{N}$ , such that  $m_k \rightarrow \infty$ , and

$$d^2(p, x_{m_k}) \leq d^2(p, x_{m_k+1}) \text{ and } d^2(p, x_k) \leq d^2(p, x_{m_k+1}) \text{ for all } k \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (3.29)$$

Thus, by (3.12), (3.29) and Lemma 2.5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left( d^2(p, x_{m_k+1}) - d^2(p, x_{m_k}) \right) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( d^2(p, x_{n+1}) - d^2(p, x_n) \right) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( d^2(p, z_n) - d^2(p, x_n) \right) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( (1 - t_n) d^2(p, x_n) + t_n d^2(p, u) - d^2(p, x_n) \right) \\ &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[ t_n \left( d^2(p, u) - d^2(p, x_n) \right) \right] = 0, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left( d^2(p, x_{m_k+1}) - d^2(p, x_{m_k}) \right) = 0. \quad (3.30)$$

Following the arguments as in **Case 1**, we can show that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \left( t_{m_k} d^2(z, u) + 2(1 - t_{m_k}) \langle \vec{z}\vec{u}, \vec{z}\vec{x}_{m_k} \rangle \right) \leq 0. \quad (3.31)$$

Also, by (3.28), we have

$$d^2(z, x_{m_k+1}) \leq (1 - t_{m_k}) d^2(z, x_{m_k}) + t_{m_k} \left( t_{m_k} d^2(z, u) + 2(1 - t_{m_k}) \langle \vec{z}\vec{u}, \vec{z}\vec{x}_{m_k} \rangle \right).$$

Since  $d^2(z, x_{m_k}) \leq d^2(z, x_{m_{k+1}})$ , we obtain

$$d^2(z, x_{m_k}) \leq (t_{m_k} d^2(z, u) + 2(1 - t_{m_k}) \langle \overrightarrow{zu}, \overrightarrow{zx_{m_k}} \rangle).$$

Thus, by (3.31), we get

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d^2(z, x_{m_k}) = 0. \quad (3.32)$$

It then follows from (3.29), (3.30) and (3.32) that  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} d^2(z, x_k) = 0$ . Therefore, we conclude from both cases that  $\{x_n\}$  converges to  $z \in \Gamma$ .  $\square$

By setting  $N = 1$  in Theorem 3.6, we obtain the following result:

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $D$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete  $CAT(0)$  space  $X$ , and  $h : X \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  be a proper, convex and lower semi-continuous function. Let  $T : D \rightarrow D$  be a  $k$ -demimetric mapping with  $k \in (-\infty, \lambda]$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Suppose that  $\Gamma = ((\operatorname{argmin}_{u \in X} h(u)) \cap F(T))$  is nonempty and for arbitrary  $x_1, u \in X$  the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is defined by*

$$\begin{cases} v_n = (1 - t_n)x_n \oplus t_n u, \\ y_n = J_{r_n h} v_n, \\ z_n = P_D(\beta_n^{(0)} v_n \oplus \beta_n^{(1)} y_n), \\ w_n = \gamma_n^{(0)} z_n \oplus \gamma_n^{(1)} T_\lambda z_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \alpha_n v_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n) w_n \text{ for all } n \geq 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $T_\lambda$  is as defined in Lemma 3.5, such that  $T_\lambda$  is  $\Delta$ -demiclosed. Suppose that  $\{t_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$ ,  $\{\beta_n\}$  and  $\{\gamma_n\}$  are sequences in  $[0, 1]$ , such that the following conditions are satisfied:

C1 :  $0 < a \leq \alpha_n, \beta_n^{(i)}, \gamma_n^{(i)} \leq b < 1$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^1 \beta_n^{(i)} = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^1 \gamma_n^{(i)} = 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

C2 :  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n = \infty$ ,

C3 :  $\{r_n\}$  is a sequence of real numbers such that  $r_n \geq r > 0$ .

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a point in  $\Gamma$ .

By setting  $T_i$  to be a  $k$ -demicontractive mapping for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$  in Theorem 3.6, we obtain the following result:

**Corollary 3.8.** *Let  $D$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete  $CAT(0)$  space  $X$ , and  $h_i : X \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$  be a finite family of proper convex and lower semi-continuous functions. Let  $T_i : X \rightarrow X$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N$  be a finite family of  $k_i$ -demicontactive mappings with  $k_i \in (-\infty, \lambda]$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Suppose that  $\Gamma = (\cap_{i=1}^N \operatorname{argmin}_{u \in X} h_i(u)) \cap (\cap_{i=1}^N F(T_i))$  is nonempty and  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence generated for arbitrary  $x_1, u \in X$  by*

$$\begin{cases} v_n = (1 - t_n)x_n \oplus t_n u, \\ y_n = J_{r_n h_1} \circ J_{r_n h_2} \circ \dots \circ J_{r_n h_N} v_n, \\ z_n = P_D(\beta_n^{(0)} v_n \oplus \beta_n^{(1)} y_n \oplus \dots \oplus \beta_n^{(N)} y_n), \\ w_n = \gamma_n^{(0)} z_n \oplus \gamma_n^{(1)} T_{1\lambda} z_n \oplus \gamma_n^{(1)} T_{2\lambda} z_n \oplus \dots \oplus \gamma_n^{(N)} T_{N\lambda} z_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \alpha_n v_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n) w_n \text{ for all } n \geq 1, \end{cases} \quad (3.33)$$

where  $T_{i\lambda} x = \lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda) T_i x$ , such that  $T_{i\lambda}$  are  $\Delta$ -demiclosed for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . Suppose that  $\{t_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$ ,  $\{\beta_n^{(i)}\}$  and  $\{\gamma_n^{(i)}\}$  are sequences in  $[0, 1]$ , such that the following conditions are satisfied:

C1 :  $0 < a \leq \alpha_n, \beta_n^{(i)}, \gamma_n^{(i)} \leq b < 1$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^N \beta_n^{(i)} = 1$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^N \gamma_n^{(i)} = 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ ,

C2 :  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} t_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} t_n = \infty$ ,

C3 :  $\{r_n\}$  is a sequence of real numbers such that  $r_n \geq r > 0$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

Then, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a point in  $\Gamma$ .

## 4 Numerical example

In this section, we give a numerical example to illustrate Theorem 3.6.

Let  $X = \mathbb{R}$ , endowed with the usual metric and  $D = [0, 1]$ . Then,

$$P_D(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x < 0, \\ x, & \text{if } x \in D, \\ 1, & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

is a metric projection onto  $D$ . For  $N = 2$ , define  $T_i : D \rightarrow D$ , by  $T_i x = x - x^i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Then,  $T$  is  $(-1)$ -demimetric (see Example 3.3). Now, define  $h_i : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty]$  by  $h_i(x) = \frac{1}{2}|B_i(x) - b_i|^2$ , where  $B_i(x) = 2ix$  and  $b_i = 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Since  $B_i$  is continuous and linear for each  $i = 1, 2$ , then we have that  $h_i$  is proper, convex and lower semicontinuous mapping. Let  $r_n = 1$  for all  $n \geq 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} J_{1h_i}(x) &= \text{Prox}_{h_i} x = \arg \min_{y \in D} \left( h_i(y) + \frac{1}{2}|y - x|^2 \right) \\ &= (I + B_i^T B_i)^{-1} (x + B_i^T b_i). \end{aligned}$$

Take  $t_n = \frac{1}{2n+1}$ ,  $\beta_n^{(0)} = \frac{n}{4n+1}$ ,  $\beta_n^{(1)} = \frac{n+1}{4n+1}$ ,  $\beta_n^{(2)} = \frac{2n}{4n+1}$ ,  $\gamma_n^{(0)} = \frac{3n}{5n+7}$ ,  $\gamma_n^{(1)} = \frac{n+7}{5n+7}$ ,  $\gamma_n^{(2)} = \frac{n}{5n+7}$  and  $\alpha_n = \frac{4n}{6n+1}$ , then conditions C1 and C2 of Theorem 3.6 are satisfied. Therefore, for  $x_1, u \in \mathbb{R}$ , after applying our algorithm (3.9) becomes

$$\begin{cases} v_n = (1 - t_n)x_n + t_n u, \\ y_n = J_1^{(1)}(J_1^{(2)}(v_n)), \\ z_n = P_D(\beta_n^{(0)}v_n + \beta_n^{(1)}y_n + \beta_n^{(2)}y_n), \\ w_n = \gamma_n^{(0)}z_n + \gamma_n^{(1)}T_{1\lambda}z_n + \gamma_n^{(2)}T_{2\lambda}z_n, \\ x_{n+1} = \alpha_n v_n + (1 - \alpha_n)w_n \text{ for all } n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Case 1: Take  $x_1 = 0.5$  and  $u = 0.5$ .

Case 2: Take  $x_1 = 0.5$  and  $u = 1$ .

Case 3: Take  $x_1 = 1$  and  $u = 0.5$ .

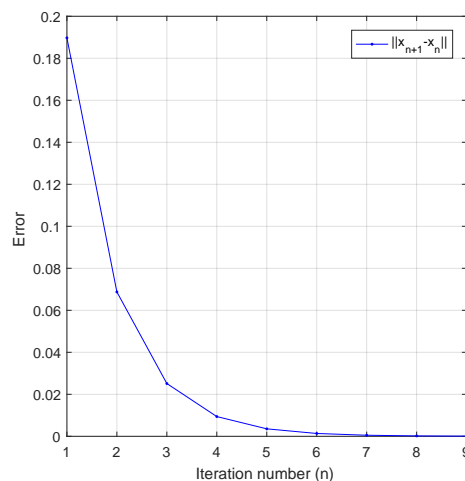


Figure 1: Errors vs number of iterations for Case 1.

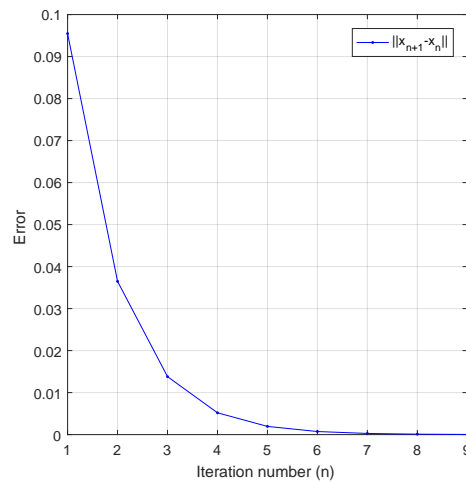


Figure 2: Errors vs number of iterations for **Case 2**.

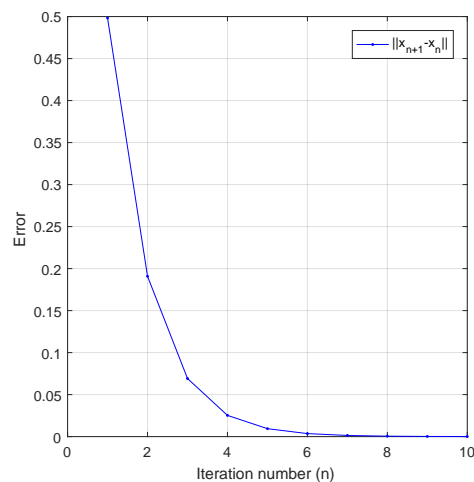


Figure 3: Errors vs number of iterations for **Case 3**.

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