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# Fixed point theorems for $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in uniformly convex metric spaces

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## Abstract

In this paper, we prove some fixed point theorems for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in both uniformly convex metric spaces and  $CAT(0)$  spaces. We also introduce a new iteration method for approximating a fixed point of  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in  $CAT(0)$  spaces and obtain  $\Delta$ -convergence to a fixed point of  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in such spaces. Our results improve and extend the corresponding results existing in the literature.

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## 1 Introduction and preliminaries

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed subset of a metric space  $(X, d)$  and let  $T$  be a mapping of  $C$  into itself. The set of all fixed points of  $T$  is denoted by  $F(T) = \{x \in C : x = Tx\}$ . In 1970, Takahashi [1] introduced the concept of convex metric spaces by using the convex structure as follows.

**Definition 1.1** Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A mapping  $W : X \times X \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$  is said to be a *convex structure* on  $X$  if for each  $x, y \in X$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ ,

$$d(z, W(x, y, \lambda)) \leq \lambda d(z, x) + (1 - \lambda)d(z, y)$$

for all  $z \in X$ . A metric space  $(X, d)$  together with a convex structure  $W$  is called a *convex metric space* which will be denoted by  $(X, d, W)$ .

A nonempty subset  $C$  of  $X$  is said to be *convex* if  $W(x, y, \lambda) \in C$  for all  $x, y \in C$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . Clearly, a normed space and each of its convex subsets are convex metric spaces, but the converse does not hold. For each  $x, y \in X$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , it is known that a convex metric space has the following properties [1, 2]:

- (i)  $W(x, x, \lambda) = x$ ,  $W(x, y, 0) = y$  and  $W(x, y, 1) = x$ ;
- (ii)  $d(x, W(x, y, \lambda)) = (1 - \lambda)d(x, y)$  and  $d(y, W(x, y, \lambda)) = \lambda d(x, y)$ .

In 1996, Shimizu and Takahashi [3] introduced the concept of uniform convexity in convex metric spaces and studied some properties of these spaces. A convex metric space

$(X, d, W)$  is said to be *uniformly convex* if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta_\varepsilon > 0$  such that for all  $r > 0$  and  $x, y, z \in X$  with  $d(z, x) \leq r$ ,  $d(z, y) \leq r$  and  $d(x, y) \geq r\varepsilon$  imply that  $d(z, W(x, y, \frac{1}{2})) \leq (1 - \delta_\varepsilon)r$ . Obviously, uniformly convex Banach spaces are uniformly convex metric spaces.

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a convex metric space  $(X, d, W)$  and let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $X$ . For  $x \in X$ , we define a mapping  $r(\cdot, \{x_n\}) : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  by

$$r(x, \{x_n\}) = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x, x_n).$$

Clearly,  $r(\cdot, \{x_n\})$  is a continuous and convex function. The *asymptotic radius* of  $\{x_n\}$  relative to  $C$  is given by

$$r(C, \{x_n\}) = \inf\{r(x, \{x_n\}) : x \in C\},$$

and the *asymptotic center* of  $\{x_n\}$  relative to  $C$  is the set

$$A(C, \{x_n\}) = \{x \in C : r(x, \{x_n\}) = r(C, \{x_n\})\}.$$

It is clear that the asymptotic center  $A(C, \{x_n\})$  is always closed and convex. It may either be empty or consist of one or many points. The asymptotic center  $A(C, \{x_n\})$  is singleton for uniformly convex Banach spaces [4, 5] or CAT(0) spaces [6]. The following lemma obtained by Phuengrattana and Suantai [7] is useful for our results.

**Lemma 1.2** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete uniformly convex metric space  $(X, d, W)$  and let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $X$ . Then  $A(C, \{x_n\})$  is a singleton set.*

One of the special spaces of uniformly convex metric spaces is a CAT(0) space; see [8]. It was noted in [9] that any CAT( $\kappa$ ) space ( $\kappa > 0$ ) is uniformly convex in a certain sense but it is not a CAT(0) space. Fixed point theory in CAT(0) spaces was first studied by Kirk [9, 10]. He showed that every nonexpansive mapping defined on a bounded closed convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space always has a fixed point. Since then, the fixed point theory for single-valued and multivalued mappings in CAT(0) spaces has been rapidly developed, and many papers have appeared (e.g., see [11–27]).

Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space. A *geodesic path* joining  $x \in X$  to  $y \in X$  (or, more briefly, a *geodesic* from  $x$  to  $y$ ) is a map  $c$  from a closed interval  $[0, l] \subset \mathbb{R}$  to  $X$  such that  $c(0) = x$ ,  $c(l) = y$  and  $d(c(t_1), c(t_2)) = |t_1 - t_2|$  for all  $t_1, t_2 \in [0, l]$ . In particular,  $c$  is an isometry and  $d(x, y) = l$ . The image  $\alpha$  of  $c$  is called a *geodesic* (or *metric*) *segment* joining  $x$  and  $y$ . When it is unique, this geodesic is denoted by  $[x, y]$ . Write  $c(\alpha 0 + (1 - \alpha)l) = \alpha x \oplus (1 - \alpha)y$  for  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . The space  $(X, d)$  is said to be a *geodesic metric space* if every two points of  $X$  are joined by a geodesic, and  $X$  is said to be *uniquely geodesic* if there is exactly one geodesic joining  $x$  and  $y$  for each  $x, y \in X$ . A subset  $Y$  of  $X$  is said to be *convex* if  $Y$  includes every geodesic segment joining any two of its points.

A *geodesic triangle*  $\Delta(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  in a geodesic metric space  $(X, d)$  consists of three points  $x_1, x_2, x_3$  in  $X$  (the vertices of  $\Delta$ ) and a geodesic segment between each pair of vertices (the edges of  $\Delta$ ). A *comparison triangle* for the geodesic triangle  $\Delta(x_1, x_2, x_3)$  in  $(X, d)$  is a

triangle  $\bar{\Delta}(x_1, x_2, x_3) := \Delta(\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{x}_3)$  in the Euclidean plane  $\mathbb{E}^2$  such that  $d_{\mathbb{E}^2}(\bar{x}_i, \bar{x}_j) = d(x_i, x_j)$  for  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ .

A geodesic metric space is said to be a CAT(0) *space* if all geodesic triangles satisfy the following comparison axiom: Let  $\Delta$  be a geodesic triangle in  $X$  and let  $\bar{\Delta}$  be a comparison triangle for  $\Delta$ . Then  $\Delta$  is said to satisfy the CAT(0) *inequality* if for all  $x, y \in \Delta$  and all comparison points  $\bar{x}, \bar{y} \in \bar{\Delta}$ ,

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

It is well known that any complete, simply connected Riemannian manifold having non-positive sectional curvature is a CAT(0) space. Other examples include pre-Hilbert spaces [8],  $\mathbb{R}$ -trees [16], the complex Hilbert ball with a hyperbolic metric [5], and many others.

If  $z, x, y$  are points in a CAT(0) space and if  $m[x, y]$  is the midpoint of the segment  $[x, y]$ , then the CAT(0) inequality implies

$$d(z, m[x, y])^2 \leq \frac{1}{2}d(z, x)^2 + \frac{1}{2}d(z, y)^2 - \frac{1}{4}d(x, y)^2. \quad (\text{CN})$$

This is the (CN) inequality of Bruhat and Tits [28], which is equivalent to

$$d(z, \lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)y)^2 \leq \lambda d(z, x)^2 + (1 - \lambda)d(z, y)^2 - \lambda(1 - \lambda)d(x, y)^2 \quad (\text{CN}^*)$$

for any  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ . The (CN\*) inequality has appeared in [29]. Moreover, if  $X$  is a CAT(0) space and  $x, y \in X$ , then for any  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ , there exists a unique point  $\lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)y \in [x, y]$  such that

$$d(z, \lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)y) \leq \lambda d(z, x) + (1 - \lambda)d(z, y)$$

for any  $z \in X$ . It follows that CAT(0) spaces have a convex structure  $W(x, y, \lambda) = \lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)y$ .

### Remark 1.3

- (i) By using the (CN) inequality, it is easy to see that CAT(0) spaces are uniformly convex.
- (ii) A geodesic metric space is a CAT(0) space if and only if it satisfies the (CN) inequality; see [8].

In 2012, Dhompongsa *et al.* [12] introduced the following notation in CAT(0) spaces: Let  $x_1, \dots, x_N$  be points in a CAT(0) space  $X$  and  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_N \in (0, 1)$  with  $\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i = 1$ , we write

$$\bigoplus_{i=1}^N \lambda_i x_i := (1 - \lambda_N) \left( \frac{\lambda_1}{1 - \lambda_N} x_1 \oplus \frac{\lambda_2}{1 - \lambda_N} x_2 \oplus \dots \oplus \frac{\lambda_{N-1}}{1 - \lambda_N} x_{N-1} \right) \oplus \lambda_N x_N. \quad (1.1)$$

The definition of  $\bigoplus$  is an ordered one in the sense that it depends on the order of points  $x_1, \dots, x_N$ . Under (1.1) we obtain that

$$d \left( \bigoplus_{i=1}^N \lambda_i x_i, y \right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i d(x_i, y) \quad \text{for each } y \in X.$$

In 1976, Lim [30] introduced the concept of  $\Delta$ -convergence in a general metric space. Later in 2008, Kirk and Panyanak [15] extended the concept of Lim to a CAT(0) space.

**Definition 1.4** [15] A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in a CAT(0) space  $X$  is said to  $\Delta$ -converge to  $x \in X$  if  $x$  is the unique asymptotic center of  $\{u_n\}$  for every subsequence  $\{u_n\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$ . In this case, we write  $\Delta\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$  and call  $x$  the  $\Delta$ -limit of  $\{x_n\}$ .

**Lemma 1.5** [15] Every bounded sequence in a complete CAT(0) space has a  $\Delta$ -convergent subsequence.

For any nonempty subset  $C$  of a CAT(0) space  $X$ , let  $\pi := \pi_C$  be the nearest point projection mapping from  $X$  to a subset  $C$  of  $X$ . In [8], it is known that if  $C$  is closed and convex, the mapping  $\pi$  is well defined, nonexpansive, and the following inequality holds:

$$d(x, y)^2 \geq d(x, \pi x)^2 + d(\pi x, y)^2$$

for all  $x \in X$  and  $y \in C$ . By using the same argument as in [31, Lemma 3.2], we can prove the following result for nearest point projection mappings in CAT(0) spaces.

**Lemma 1.6** Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$ , let  $\pi : X \rightarrow C$  be the nearest point projection mapping, and let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence in  $X$ . If  $d(x_{n+1}, p) \leq d(x_n, p)$  for all  $p \in C$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $\{\pi x_n\}$  converges strongly to some element in  $C$ .

*Proof* Let  $m > n$ . By the (CN) inequality and the property of  $\pi$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} d(\pi x_m, \pi x_n)^2 &\leq 2d(x_m, \pi x_m)^2 + 2d(x_m, \pi x_n)^2 - 4d\left(x_m, \frac{\pi x_m \oplus \pi x_n}{2}\right)^2 \\ &\leq 2d(x_m, \pi x_m)^2 + 2d(x_m, \pi x_n)^2 - 4d(x_m, \pi x_m)^2 \\ &= 2d(x_m, \pi x_n)^2 - 2d(x_m, \pi x_m)^2 \\ &\leq 2d(x_n, \pi x_n)^2 - 2d(x_m, \pi x_m)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (1.2)$$

This implies that

$$d(x_m, \pi x_m)^2 \leq d(x_n, \pi x_n)^2 \quad \text{for } m > n.$$

Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, \pi x_n)^2$  exists. Letting  $m, n \rightarrow \infty$  in (1.2), we have that  $\{\pi x_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in a closed subset  $C$  of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$ , hence it converges to some element in  $C$ .  $\square$

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ . A mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is called *generalized hybrid* if there exist  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\alpha \|Tx - Ty\|^2 + (1 - \alpha) \|x - Ty\|^2 \leq \beta \|Tx - y\|^2 + (1 - \beta) \|x - y\|^2$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ . We note that the generalized hybrid mappings generalize several well-known mappings. For example, a generalized hybrid mapping is nonexpansive for  $\alpha = 1$

and  $\beta = 0$ , nonspreading for  $\alpha = 2$  and  $\beta = 1$ , and hybrid for  $\alpha = \frac{3}{2}$  and  $\beta = \frac{1}{2}$ . In 2010, Kocourek *et al.* [32] proved the fixed point theorems for generalized hybrid mappings in Hilbert spaces. Later in 2011, Takahashi and Yao [33] extended the results of Kocourek *et al.* to uniformly convex Banach spaces.

Recently, Maruyama *et al.* [34] introduced a new nonlinear mapping in a Hilbert space as follows. Let  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ . A mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is called  $N$ -generalized hybrid if there are  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_N \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \|T^{N+1-k}x - Ty\|^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k\right) \|x - Ty\|^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \|T^{N+1-k}x - y\|^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) \|x - y\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ . They obtained the existence and weak convergence theorems for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in Hilbert spaces. Hojo *et al.* [35] also studied the fixed point theorems for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in Hilbert spaces and provided an example of  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings which are not generalized hybrid mappings as follows.

**Example 1.7** Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space,  $A = \{x \in H : \|x\| \leq 1\}$  and define a mapping  $T : H \rightarrow H$  as follows:

$$Tx = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for all } x \in A; \\ \frac{x}{\|x\|} & \text{for all } x \notin A. \end{cases}$$

We observe that the  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings generalize several well-known mappings, for instance, nonexpansive mappings, nonspreading mappings, hybrid mappings,  $\lambda$ -hybrid mappings, generalized hybrid mappings, and 2-generalized hybrid mappings. Many researchers have studied the fixed point theorems of those mappings in both Hilbert spaces and Banach spaces (*e.g.*, see [32, 33, 36–38]). However, no researcher has studied the fixed point theorems for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in more general spaces. So, in this paper, we are interested in studying and extending those mappings to both uniformly convex metric spaces and CAT(0) spaces.

## 2 Fixed point theorems in uniformly convex metric spaces

We first define  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in convex metric spaces. Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of a convex metric space  $(X, d, W)$ . Let  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ . A mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is called  $N$ -generalized hybrid if there are  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_N \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k d(T^{N+1-k}x, Ty)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k\right) d(x, Ty)^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{N+1-k}x, y)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(x, y)^2 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ . Now, we prove a fixed point theorem for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in complete uniformly convex metric spaces.

**Theorem 2.1** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete uniformly convex metric space  $(X, d, W)$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping with  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, 1]$ . Then  $T$  has a fixed point if and only if there exists an  $x \in C$  such that  $\{T^n x\}$  is bounded.*

*Proof* The necessity is obvious. Conversely, we assume that there exists an  $x \in C$  such that  $\{T^n x\}$  is bounded. We will show that  $F(T)$  is nonempty. From Lemma 1.2,  $A(C, \{T^n x\})$  is a singleton set. Let  $A(C, \{T^n x\}) = \{z\}$ . Since  $T$  is  $N$ -generalized hybrid, there are  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_N \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, Tz)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k\right) d(T^n x, Tz)^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, z)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(T^n x, z)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (2.1)$$

If  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in [1, \infty)$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, 1]$ , then (2.1) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, Tz)^2 & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, z)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(T^n x, z)^2 \\ & \quad + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1\right) d(T^n x, Tz)^2. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(T^n x, Tz)^2 \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(T^n x, z)^2.$$

If  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in (-\infty, 0]$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, 1]$ , then (2.1) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k\right) d(T^n x, Tz)^2 & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, z)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(T^n x, z)^2 \\ & \quad - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, Tz)^2. \end{aligned}$$

This implies again that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(T^n x, Tz)^2 \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(T^n x, z)^2.$$

Therefore, we have

$$r(Tz, \{T^n x\}) \leq r(z, \{T^n x\}).$$

Since  $Tz \in C$  and  $r(z, \{T^n x\}) = \inf\{r(y, \{T^n x\}) : y \in C\}$ , it implies that  $Tz = z$ . Hence,  $F(T)$  is nonempty.  $\square$

As a direct consequence of Theorem 2.1, we obtain a fixed point theorem for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in uniformly convex metric spaces as follows.

**Theorem 2.2** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty bounded closed and convex subset of a complete uniformly convex metric space  $(X, d, W)$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping with  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, 1]$ . Then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

We can show that if  $T$  is an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping and  $x = Tx$ , then for any  $y \in C$ , we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k d(x, Ty)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k\right) d(x, Ty)^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(x, y)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(x, y)^2$$

and hence  $d(x, Ty) \leq d(x, y)$ . This means that an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping with a fixed point is quasi-nonexpansive. Then, using the methods of the proof of Theorem 1.3 in [13], we can prove the following.

**Corollary 2.3** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty convex subset of a complete uniformly convex metric space  $(X, d, W)$ . Suppose that  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping and has a fixed point. Then  $F(T)$  is closed and convex.*

**Remark 2.4**

- (i) Theorems 2.1 and 2.2 extend and generalize the corresponding results in [17, 32–34, 36–38] to  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings on uniformly convex metric spaces.
- (ii) In  $\text{CAT}(0)$  spaces, if we set  $W(x, y, \lambda) := \lambda x \oplus (1 - \lambda)y$ , then Theorems 2.1 and 2.2 can be applied to these spaces under the assumption that  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, 1]$ .

### 3 Fixed point theorems in $\text{CAT}(0)$ spaces

In this section, we study the existence and  $\Delta$ -convergence theorems for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in complete  $\text{CAT}(0)$  spaces.

We first recall the definition of a Banach limit. Let  $\mu$  be a continuous linear functional on  $l^\infty$ , the Banach space of bounded real sequences, and  $(a_1, a_2, \dots) \in l^\infty$ . We write  $\mu_n(a_n)$  instead of  $\mu((a_1, a_2, \dots))$ . We call  $\mu$  a *Banach limit* if  $\mu$  satisfies  $\|\mu\| = \mu(1, 1, \dots) = 1$  and  $\mu_n(a_n) = \mu_n(a_{n+1})$  for each  $(a_1, a_2, \dots) \in l^\infty$ . For a Banach limit  $\mu$ , we know that  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n \leq \mu_n(a_n) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n$  for all  $(a_1, a_2, \dots) \in l^\infty$ . So if  $(a_1, a_2, \dots) \in l^\infty$  with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = c$ , then  $\mu_n(a_n) = c$ ; see [39] for more details.

Now, we obtain the following lemma in  $\text{CAT}(0)$  spaces.

**Lemma 3.1** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete  $\text{CAT}(0)$  space  $X$ , let  $\{x_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in  $X$ , and let  $\mu$  be a Banach limit. If a function  $f : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by*

$$f(z) = \mu_n d(x_n, z)^2 \quad \text{for all } z \in C,$$

*then there exists a unique  $z_0 \in C$  such that*

$$f(z_0) = \min\{f(z) : z \in C\}.$$

*Proof* It is easy to show that  $f$  is continuous. By (CN) inequality, we obtain that

$$f\left(\frac{x \oplus y}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2}f(x) + \frac{1}{2}f(y) - \frac{1}{4}d(x, y)^2 \quad \text{for all } x, y \in C.$$

This implies by Proposition 1.7 in [40] that there exists a unique  $z_0 \in C$  such that  $f(z_0) = \min\{f(z) : z \in C\}$ .  $\square$

By using Lemma 3.1, we can prove the following fixed point theorem for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in CAT(0) spaces without the assumptions that  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, 1]$ .

**Theorem 3.2** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping. Then  $T$  has a fixed point if and only if there exists an  $x \in C$  such that  $\{T^n x\}$  is bounded.*

*Proof* The necessity is obvious. Conversely, we assume that there exists an  $x \in C$  such that  $\{T^n x\}$  is bounded. Let  $\mu$  be a Banach limit. Since  $T$  is  $N$ -generalized hybrid, there are  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_N \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, Tz)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k\right) d(T^n x, Tz)^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, z)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(T^n x, z)^2 \end{aligned}$$

for any  $z \in C$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . Since  $\{T^n x\}$  is bounded, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \mu_n d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, Tz)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k\right) \mu_n d(T^n x, Tz)^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \mu_n d(T^{n+N+1-k}x, z)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) \mu_n d(T^n x, z)^2. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\mu_n d(T^n x, Tz)^2 \leq \mu_n d(T^n x, z)^2$$

for all  $z \in C$ . It follows by Lemma 3.1 that  $Tz = z$ . Hence,  $F(T)$  is nonempty.  $\square$

As a direct consequence of Theorem 3.2, we obtain a fixed point theorem for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in CAT(0) spaces as follows.

**Theorem 3.3** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty bounded closed and convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping. Then  $T$  has a fixed point.*

**Remark 3.4** Theorems 3.2 and 3.3 extend and generalize the corresponding results in [17, 32–34, 36–38] to  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings on CAT(0) spaces.

Next, we study the  $\Delta$ -convergence theorem for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in CAT(0) spaces. Before proving the theorem, we need the following lemma.



**Lemma 3.5** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping with  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, \infty)$ . If  $\{x_n\}$  is a bounded sequence in  $C$  with  $\Delta\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, T^i x_n) = 0$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , then  $x \in F(T)$ .*

*Proof* Since  $T$  is an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping, there are  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_N, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_N \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k\right) d(x_n, Tx)^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(x_n, x)^2. \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

Case 1:  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in [1, \infty)$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, \infty)$ . It follows by (3.1) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx)^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x)^2 + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(x_n, x)^2 + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1\right) d(x_n, Tx)^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k (d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n)^2 + 2d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n)d(x_n, x) + d(x_n, x)^2) \\ & \quad + \left(1 - \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k\right) d(x_n, x)^2 + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1\right) (d(x_n, T^{N+1-k} x_n)^2 \\ & \quad + 2d(x_n, T^{N+1-k} x_n)d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx) + d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx)^2) \\ & = d(x_n, x)^2 + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1\right) d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n)^2 \\ & \quad + 2 \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n)d(x_n, x) \\ & \quad + 2 \left(\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1\right) d(x_n, T^{N+1-k} x_n)d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx) \\ & \quad + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1\right) d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx)^2. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx)^2 \\ & \leq d(x_n, x)^2 + \left(\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1\right) d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + 2 \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n) d(x_n, x) \\
 & + 2 \left( \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1 \right) d(x_n, T^{N+1-k} x_n) d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, T^i x_n) = 0$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , we have that  $\{Tx_n\}, \{T^2 x_n\}, \dots, \{T^N x_n\}$  are bounded. So, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx)^2 \\
 & \leq d(x_n, x)^2 + \left( \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1 \right) d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n)^2 \\
 & \quad + 2 \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n) M + 2 \left( \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1 \right) d(x_n, T^{N+1-k} x_n) M \\
 & = d(x_n, x)^2 + \left( \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k + \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k - 1 \right) d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n) (d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n) + 2M),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $M = \max_{1 \leq k \leq N} \sup\{d(x_n, x), d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ .

Case 2:  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in (-\infty, 0]$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, \infty)$ . In the same way as Case 1, we can show that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, Tx)^2 \\
 & \leq d(x_n, x)^2 + \left( \sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k - \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \right) d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n) (d(T^{N+1-k} x_n, x_n) + 2M).
 \end{aligned}$$

By Case 1, Case 2, and the assumption  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, T^i x_n) = 0$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , we obtain

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, Tx) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, x).$$

Since  $\Delta\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$ , it follows by the uniqueness of asymptotic centers that  $Tx = x$ . Hence,  $x \in F(T)$ .  $\square$

Fixed point iteration methods are very useful for approximating a fixed point of various nonlinear mappings such as Mann iteration, Ishikawa iteration, Noor iteration and so on. We now introduce a new iteration method for approximating a fixed point of mappings in a CAT(0) space  $X$  as follows: Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of  $X$ , let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a mapping and  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ . For  $x_1 \in C$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  generated by

$$x_{n+1} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^N \lambda_n^{(i)} T^i x_n \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}, \tag{3.2}$$

where  $\{\lambda_n^{(i)}\}$  is a sequence in  $[0, 1]$  for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$  with  $\sum_{i=0}^N \lambda_n^{(i)} = 1$ .

**Remark 3.6** If we put

$$W_n^{(N)} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^N \frac{\lambda_n^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^i x_n,$$

then by (1.1) we get

$$W_n^{(N)} = \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} W_n^{(N-1)} \oplus \frac{\lambda_n^{(N)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^N x_n. \quad (3.3)$$

Indeed, we put  $\delta_n^{(i,N)} = \frac{\lambda_n^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}}$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} W_n^{(N)} &= \bigoplus_{i=0}^N \frac{\lambda_n^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^i x_n = \bigoplus_{i=0}^N \delta_n^{(i,N)} T^i x_n \\ &= (1 - \delta_n^{(N,N)}) \left( \frac{\delta_n^{(0,N)}}{1 - \delta_n^{(N,N)}} x_n \oplus \frac{\delta_n^{(1,N)}}{1 - \delta_n^{(N,N)}} T x_n \oplus \dots \oplus \frac{\delta_n^{(N-1,N)}}{1 - \delta_n^{(N,N)}} T^{N-1} x_n \right) \\ &\quad \oplus \delta_n^{(N,N)} T^N x_n \\ &= (1 - \delta_n^{(N,N)}) (\delta_n^{(0,N-1)} x_n \oplus \delta_n^{(1,N-1)} T x_n \oplus \dots \oplus \delta_n^{(N-1,N-1)} T^{N-1} x_n) \oplus \delta_n^{(N,N)} T^N x_n \\ &= (1 - \delta_n^{(N,N)}) \left( \frac{\lambda_n^{(0)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} x_n \oplus \frac{\lambda_n^{(1)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} T x_n \oplus \dots \oplus \frac{\lambda_n^{(N-1)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^{N-1} x_n \right) \\ &\quad \oplus \delta_n^{(N,N)} T^N x_n \\ &= (1 - \delta_n^{(N,N)}) W_n^{(N-1)} \oplus \delta_n^{(N,N)} T^N x_n \\ &= \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} W_n^{(N-1)} \oplus \frac{\lambda_n^{(N)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^N x_n. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, (3.3) is justified.

Using Lemma 3.5, we can prove the  $\Delta$ -convergence theorem for  $N$ -generalized hybrid mappings in complete CAT(0) spaces as follows.

**Theorem 3.7** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be an  $N$ -generalized hybrid mapping with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$  and  $\sum_{k=1}^N \beta_k \in [0, \infty)$ . Let  $\pi : C \rightarrow F(T)$  be the nearest point projection mapping. Suppose that  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $C$  defined by (3.2) with  $0 < a \leq \lambda_n^{(i)} \leq b < 1$  for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to a fixed point  $u$  of  $T$ , where  $u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \pi x_n$ .*

*Proof* Since  $T$  is  $N$ -generalized hybrid and  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ , we get  $T$  is quasi-nonexpansive. Then, for  $p \in F(T)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{n+1}, p) &= d\left(\bigoplus_{i=0}^N \lambda_n^{(i)} T^i x_n, p\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=0}^N \lambda_n^{(i)} d(T^i x_n, p) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \sum_{i=0}^N \lambda_n^{(i)} d(x_n, p) \\ &= d(x_n, p). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, p)$  exists and hence  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded.

For each  $p \in F(T)$ , we obtain, by (3.2), (3.3), and the (CN\*) inequality, that

$$\begin{aligned} &d(x_{n+1}, p)^2 \\ &= d\left(\bigoplus_{i=0}^N \frac{\lambda_n^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^i x_n, p\right)^2 = d(W_n^{(N)}, p)^2 \\ &= d\left(\frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} W_n^{(N-1)} \oplus \frac{\lambda_n^{(N)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^N x_n, p\right)^2 \\ &\leq \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(N-1)}, p)^2 + \frac{\lambda_n^{(N)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(T^N x_n, p)^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{\lambda_n^{(N)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^N \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(N-1)}, T^N x_n)^2 \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)} d(W_n^{(N-1)}, p)^2 + \lambda_n^{(N)} d(T^N x_n, p)^2 - \lambda_n^{(N)} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)} d(W_n^{(N-1)}, T^N x_n)^2 \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)} d\left(\frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} W_n^{(N-2)} \oplus \frac{\lambda_n^{(N-1)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^{N-1} x_n, p\right)^2 + \lambda_n^{(N)} d(T^N x_n, p)^2 \\ &\quad - \lambda_n^{(N)} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)} d(W_n^{(N-1)}, T^N x_n)^2 \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)} \left( \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(N-2)}, p)^2 + \frac{\lambda_n^{(N-1)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(T^{N-1} x_n, p)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} \frac{\lambda_n^{(N-1)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(N-2)}, T^{N-1} x_n)^2 \right) + \lambda_n^{(N)} d(T^N x_n, p)^2 \\ &\quad - \lambda_n^{(N)} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)} d(W_n^{(N-1)}, T^N x_n)^2 \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \lambda_n^{(j)} d(W_n^{(N-2)}, p)^2 + \lambda_n^{(N-1)} d(T^{N-1} x_n, p)^2 + \lambda_n^{(N)} d(T^N x_n, p)^2 \\ &\quad - \frac{\lambda_n^{(N-1)} \sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(N-2)}, T^{N-1} x_n)^2 - \lambda_n^{(N)} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)} d(W_n^{(N-1)}, T^N x_n)^2 \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^{N-3} \lambda_n^{(j)} d(W_n^{(N-3)}, p)^2 + \lambda_n^{(N-2)} d(T^{N-2} x_n, p)^2 + \lambda_n^{(N-1)} d(T^{N-1} x_n, p)^2 \\ &\quad + \lambda_n^{(N)} d(T^N x_n, p)^2 - \frac{\lambda_n^{(N-2)} \sum_{j=0}^{N-3} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(N-3)}, T^{N-2} x_n)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \frac{\lambda_n^{(N-1)} \sum_{j=0}^{N-2} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(N-2)}, T^{N-1}x_n)^2 - \lambda_n^{(N)} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \lambda_n^{(j)} d(W_n^{(N-1)}, T^N x_n)^2 \\
 & \vdots \\
 & \leq \lambda_n^{(0)} d(W_n^{(0)}, p)^2 + \sum_{k=1}^N \lambda_n^{(k)} d(T^k x_n, p)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\lambda_n^{(k)} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^k \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n)^2 \\
 & \leq \sum_{k=0}^N \lambda_n^{(k)} d(x_n, p)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\lambda_n^{(k)} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^k \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n)^2 \\
 & = d(x_n, p)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\lambda_n^{(k)} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^k \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n)^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$\sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\lambda_n^{(k)} \sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}}{\sum_{j=0}^k \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n)^2 \leq d(x_n, p)^2 - d(x_{n+1}, p)^2.$$

Since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, p)$  exists and  $0 < a \leq \lambda_n^{(i)} \leq b < 1$  for all  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$ , we get that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, T x_n) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n) = 0 \quad \text{for all } k = 2, 3, \dots, N. \quad (3.4)$$

For  $k = 2, 3, \dots, N$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 d(x_n, T^k x_n) & \leq d(x_n, W_n^{(k-1)}) + d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n) \\
 & = d\left(x_n, \bigoplus_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda_n^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} T^i x_n\right) + d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n) \\
 & \leq \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda_n^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(x_n, T^i x_n) + d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n) \\
 & = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{\lambda_n^{(i)}}{\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} \lambda_n^{(j)}} d(x_n, T^i x_n) + d(W_n^{(k-1)}, T^k x_n).
 \end{aligned}$$

This implies by (3.4) that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, T^k x_n) = 0 \quad \text{for all } k = 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (3.5)$$

We now let  $\omega_\Delta(x_n) := \bigcup A(C, \{u_n\})$ , where the union is taken over all subsequences  $\{u_n\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$ . We claim that  $\omega_\Delta(x_n) \subset F(T)$ . Let  $u \in \omega_\Delta(x_n)$ . Then there exists a subsequence  $\{u_n\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $A(C, \{u_n\}) = \{u\}$ . By Lemma 1.5, there exists a subsequence  $\{u_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{u_n\}$  such that  $\Delta\text{-}\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} u_{n_k} = y \in C$ . It implies by (3.5) and Lemma 3.5 that  $y \in F(T)$ . Then,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y)$  exists. Suppose that  $u \neq y$ . By the uniqueness of asymptotic centers, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(u_{n_k}, y) & < \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(u_{n_k}, u) \\
 & \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(u_n, u)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &< \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(u_n, y) \\ &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, y) \\ &= \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} d(u_{n_k}, y). \end{aligned}$$

This is a contradiction, hence  $u = y \in F(T)$ . This shows that  $\omega_\Delta(x_n) \subset F(T)$ .

Next, we show that  $\omega_\Delta(x_n)$  consists of exactly one point. Let  $\{u_n\}$  be a subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$  with  $A(C, \{u_n\}) = \{u\}$  and let  $A(C, \{x_n\}) = \{z\}$ . Since  $u \in \omega_\Delta(x_n) \subset F(T)$ , it follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, u)$  exists. We will show that  $z = u$ . To show this, suppose not. By the uniqueness of asymptotic centers, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(u_n, u) &< \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(u_n, z) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, z) \\ &< \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, u) \\ &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(u_n, u), \end{aligned}$$

which is a contradiction, and so  $z = u$ . Hence,  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to a fixed point  $u$  of  $T$ . Since  $F(T)$  is a closed convex subset of  $X$  and  $d(x_{n+1}, p) \leq d(x_n, p)$  for all  $p \in F(T)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we obtain by Lemma 1.6 that  $\{\pi x_n\}$  converges strongly to some element in  $F(T)$ , say  $q$ . Thus, by the property of  $\pi$ , we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, q) &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (d(x_n, \pi x_n) + d(\pi x_n, q)) \\ &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, \pi x_n) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} d(x_n, u). \end{aligned}$$

This implies, by the uniqueness of asymptotic centers, that  $q = u$ . This means  $u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \pi x_n$ .  $\square$

Taking  $N = 2$  in Theorem 3.7, we obtain the following  $\Delta$ -convergence theorem of a 2-generalized hybrid mapping in  $\text{CAT}(0)$  spaces.

**Theorem 3.8** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete  $\text{CAT}(0)$  space  $X$ . Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a 2-generalized hybrid mapping, i.e., there are  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \beta_1, \beta_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} &\alpha_1 d(T^2 x, Ty)^2 + \alpha_2 d(Tx, Ty)^2 + (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) d(x, Ty)^2 \\ &\leq \beta_1 d(T^2 x, y)^2 + \beta_2 d(Tx, y)^2 + (1 - \beta_1 - \beta_2) d(x, y)^2 \end{aligned}$$

*for all  $x, y \in C$ . Assume that  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and  $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$  and  $\beta_1 + \beta_2 \in [0, \infty)$ . Let  $\pi : C \rightarrow F(T)$  be the nearest point projection mapping. For  $x_1 \in C$ , let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence defined by*

$$x_{n+1} = \bigoplus_{i=0}^2 \lambda_n^{(i)} T^i x_n \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $\{\lambda_n^{(i)}\}$  is a sequence in  $[0, 1]$  with  $0 < a \leq \lambda_n^{(i)} \leq b < 1$  for all  $i = 0, 1, 2$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^2 \lambda_n^{(i)} = 1$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to a fixed point  $u$  of  $T$ , where  $u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \pi x_n$ .

Taking  $N = 1$  in Theorem 3.7, we obtain the following  $\Delta$ -convergence theorem of a generalized hybrid mapping in CAT(0) spaces.

**Theorem 3.9** *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a complete CAT(0) space  $X$ . Let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a generalized hybrid mapping, i.e., there are  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  such that*

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

for all  $x, y \in C$ . Assume that  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and  $\alpha \in (-\infty, 0] \cup [1, \infty)$  and  $\beta \in [0, \infty)$ . Let  $\pi : C \rightarrow F(T)$  be the nearest point projection mapping. For  $x_1 \in C$ , let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence defined by

$$x_{n+1} = \lambda_n^{(0)} x_n \oplus \lambda_n^{(1)} Tx_n \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $\{\lambda_n^{(0)}\}$  and  $\{\lambda_n^{(1)}\}$  are sequences in  $[0, 1]$  with  $0 < a \leq \lambda_n^{(0)}, \lambda_n^{(1)} \leq b < 1$  and  $\lambda_n^{(0)} + \lambda_n^{(1)} = 1$ . Then  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to a fixed point  $u$  of  $T$ , where  $u = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \pi x_n$ .

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