Resolvents of convex functions and approximation of a minimizer on a geodesic space 測地距離空間上の凸関数に関するリゾルベントと それを用いた最小点近似

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#### Abstract

The aim of this paper is to propose a new resolvent and to study the asymptotic behavior of a sequence generated by Mann iteration in complete geodesic space with negative curvature.

#### 1 Introduction

Let X be an admissible complete CAT(1) space and f a proper lower semicontinuous convex function from X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$ . In this case, a resolvent of f is defined by

$$J_f x = \underset{y \in X}{\operatorname{argmin}} \{ f(y) + \tan d(y, x) \sin d(y, x) \}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . In 2016, Kimura and Kohsaka proved its well-definedness. Let X be a complete CAT(-1) space and f a proper lower semicontinuous convex function of X to  $]-\infty,\infty]$ . Then the resolvent of f is defined by

$$I_f x = \operatorname*{argmin}_{y \in X} \{ f(y) + \tanh d(y, x) \sinh d(y, x) \}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . In 2019, Kajimura and Kimura showed that it is well-defined. The resolvent  $J_f$  corresponds to  $I_f$  in a complete CAT(-1) space.

Let X be a complete CAT(1) space and f a proper lower semicontinuous convex function from X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$ . A resolvent for f is defined by

$$Q_f x = \operatorname*{argmin}_{y \in X} \{ f(y) - \log \cos d(y, x) \}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . In 2019, Kajimura and Kimura provided its well-definedness. In 2023, Nakadai [7] showed the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.1.** Let X be an admissible complete CAT(1) space and f a proper lower semicontinuous convex function from X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$ . Let  $Q_{\eta f}$  the resolvent of  $\eta f$  for all  $\eta > 0$  and  $\{x_n\}$  a sequence defined by  $x_1 \in \text{dom}(f)$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n) Q_{\lambda_n f} x_n$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in [0,1[ and  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1-\alpha_n)\lambda_n = \infty$ . Then the following hold.

- (i) The set  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$  is nonempty if and only if  $\{Q_{\lambda_n f} x_n\}$  is spherically bounded;
- (ii) If  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$  is nonempty and  $\sup_n \alpha_n < 1$ , then both  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{Q_{\lambda_n f} x_n\}$  are  $\Delta$ -convergent to an element  $x_0$  of  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$ .

In this paper, we propose a new resolvent corresponding  $Q_f$  in a complete CAT(-1) space and we show that it is well-defined as a single-valued mapping. Moreover, we study the asymptotic behavior of a sequence generated by Mann iteration.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let X be a metric space with metric d. We denote by  $\mathcal{F}(T)$  the set of all fixed points of a mapping T of X into itself. For  $x, y \in X$ , a continuous mapping  $c: [0, l] \to X$  is called a geodesic joining x and y if c satisfies c(0) = x, c(l) = y and d(c(s), c(t)) = |s - t| for all  $s, t \in [0, 1]$ . Its image, which is denoted by [x, y], is called a geodesic segment with endpoints x and y. X is said to be a geodesic space if there exists a geodesic joining any two points in X. In this paper, for a geodesic metric space X, a geodesic joining any two points of X is always assumed to be unique.

Let X be geodesic metric space. For all  $x, y \in X$  and  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ , there exists a unique point  $z \in X$  such that  $d(x, z) = (1 - \alpha)d(x, y)$  and  $d(z, y) = \alpha d(x, y)$ . This point is called a convex combination of x and y, denoted by  $\alpha x \oplus (1 - \alpha)y$ . A subset  $C \subset X$  is said to be convex if  $[x, y] \subset X$  for all  $x, y \in C$ .

Let  $M_{\kappa}^2$  be a two dimensional model space for  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ . For example,  $M_0^2 = \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $M_1^2 = \mathbb{S}^2$  and  $M_{-1}^2 = \mathbb{H}^2$ . A geodesic triangle with vertices  $x, y, z \in X$  is defined by  $[x, y] \cup [y, z] \cup [z, x]$ , which is denoted by  $\triangle(x, y, z)$ . A comparison triangle to  $\triangle(x, y, z)$  with vertices  $\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z} \in M_{\kappa}^2$  is defined by  $[\overline{x}, \overline{y}] \cup [\overline{y}, \overline{z}] \cup [\overline{z}, \overline{x}]$  with  $d(x, y) = d(\overline{x}, \overline{y})$ ,  $d(y, z) = d(\overline{y}, \overline{z})$  and  $d(z, x) = d(\overline{z}, \overline{x})$ , which is denoted by  $\overline{\triangle}(\overline{x}, \overline{y}, \overline{z})$ . For  $\kappa \in \mathbb{R}$ , X is called a CAT( $\kappa$ ) space if  $d(p, q) \leq d(\overline{p}, \overline{q})$  holds whenever  $\overline{p}$  and  $\overline{q} \in \overline{\triangle}$  are comparison points for p and  $q \in \triangle$ , respectively. If  $\kappa < \kappa'$  then the CAT( $\kappa$ ) spaces are CAT( $\kappa'$ ) spaces. We know that the following lemmas hold.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let X be a CAT(-1) space,  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$  and  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ . Then

 $\cosh d(\alpha x_1 \oplus (1-\alpha)x_2, x_3) \le \alpha \cosh d(x_1, x_3) + (1-\alpha) \cosh d(x_2, x_3).$ 

**Lemma 2.2.** Let X be a CAT(-1) space,  $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in X$  and  $\alpha \in [0, 1]$ . Then

$$\cosh d(\alpha x_1 \oplus (1-\alpha)x_2, x_3) \sinh d(x_1, x_2)$$
  
$$\leq \cosh d(x_1, x_3) \sinh \alpha d(x_1, x_2) + \cosh d(x_2, x_3) \sinh((1-\alpha)d(x_1, x_2))$$

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $X, x_1, x_2, x_3$ , and  $\alpha$  be the same as in Lemma 2.2. Then

$$\cosh d(\frac{1}{2}x_1 \oplus \frac{1}{2}x_2, x_3) \cosh \frac{1}{2}d(x_1, x_2) \le \frac{1}{2} \cosh d(x_1, x_3) + \frac{1}{2} \cosh d(x_2, x_3).$$

Let X be a metric space and  $\{x_n\}$  a sequence in X. The asymptotic center  $\mathcal{A}(\{x_n\})$  of  $\{x_n\}$  is defined by

$$\mathcal{A}(\{x_n\}) = \left\{ z \in X \ \left| \ \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(z, x_n) = \inf_{y \in X} \ \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(y, x_n) \right\}.$$

A sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is said to be  $\Delta$ -convergent to  $p \in X$  if

$$\mathcal{A}(\{x_{n_i}\}) = \{p\}$$

holds for each subsequence  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$ . In this case,  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded and its subsequence is also  $\Delta$ -convergent to p.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let X be a complete CAT(0) space and f a proper lower semicontinuous convex function of X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$ . Suppose that  $f(x) \to \infty$  whenever  $d(x,p) \to \infty$  for some  $p \in X$ . Then  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$  is nonempty. Further, if

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}x\oplus\frac{1}{2}y\right) < \frac{1}{2}f(x) + \frac{1}{2}f(y),$$

holds for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \neq y$ , then  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$  is consists of one point.

## 3 Resolvents for convex function in complete CAT(-1) spaces

In this section, we show that a new resolvent

$$R_f x \coloneqq \operatorname*{argmin}_{y \in X} \{ f(y) + \log \cosh d(y, x) \}$$

is well-defined.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let f be a proper lower semicontinuous convex function from X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$  and  $p \in X$ . If  $g: X \to ]-\infty,\infty]$  is defined by

$$g(\cdot) = f(\cdot) + \log \cosh d(\cdot, p)$$

then g is a proper lower semicontinuous convex function from X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$ . Proof. Let t > 0. We have

$$(\log(\cosh t))'' = (\tanh t)' = \frac{1}{\cosh^2 t} > 0.$$

Hence

$$\log \cosh(\alpha d_1 + (1 - \alpha)d_2) \le \alpha \log \cosh d_1 + (1 - \alpha) \log \cosh d_2$$

for all  $d_1, d_2 \ge 0$  and  $\alpha \in [0, 1[$ . It follows that

$$\begin{split} \log \cosh d(\alpha d(x,p) \oplus (1-\alpha)d(y,p)) &\leq \log \cosh d(\alpha d(x,p) + (1-\alpha)d(y,p)) \\ &\leq \alpha \log \cosh d(x,p) + (1-\alpha) \log \cosh d(y,p) \end{split}$$

for all  $x, y \in X$  and  $\alpha \in ]0, 1[$ . Thus g is convex. On the other hand, it is obvious that g is proper and lower semicontinuous.

**Lemma 3.2.** Let f be a proper lower semicontinuous convex function from X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$  and  $p \in X$ . Suppose that f is bounded below. If g is defined by

$$g(\cdot) = f(\cdot) + \log \cosh d(\cdot, p)$$

then  $\operatorname{argmin}_X g$  consists of one point.

*Proof.* Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a sequence of X with  $\lim_{n\to\infty} d(z_n, p) = \infty$  for each  $p \in X$ . Then, it is obvious that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \log \cosh d(z_n, p) = \infty$ . From Lemma 2.4 and Lemma 3.1,  $\operatorname{argmin}_X g$  is nonempty.

We next show that  $\operatorname{argmin}_X g$  consists of one point. Suppose that  $u, v \in \operatorname{argmin}_X g$  with  $u \neq v$ . Suppose  $d(u, p) \neq d(v, p)$ . Then,

$$g(u) \le f\left(\frac{1}{2}u \oplus \frac{1}{2}v\right) + \log \cosh d\left(\frac{1}{2}u \oplus \frac{1}{2}v, p\right)$$
  
$$\le \frac{1}{2}f(u) + \frac{1}{2}f(v) + \log \cosh\left(\frac{1}{2}d(u, p) + \frac{1}{2}d(v, p)\right)$$
  
$$< \frac{1}{2}f(u) + \frac{1}{2}f(v) + \frac{1}{2}\log \cosh d(u, p) + \frac{1}{2}\log \cosh d(v, p) = g(u).$$

It is a contradiction. Suppose d(u, p) = d(v, p). Then,

$$g(u) \le f\left(\frac{1}{2}u \oplus \frac{1}{2}v\right) + \log \cosh d\left(\frac{1}{2}u \oplus \frac{1}{2}v, p\right)$$
$$= f\left(\frac{1}{2}u \oplus \frac{1}{2}v\right) + \log\left(\cosh d\left(\frac{1}{2}u \oplus \frac{1}{2}v, p\right) \cosh \frac{d(u, v)}{2}\right) - \log \cosh \frac{d(u, v)}{2}.$$

From the convexity of f and Lemma 2.3,

$$g(u) \le \frac{1}{2}f(u) + \frac{1}{2}f(v) + \log\left(\frac{1}{2}\cosh d(u,p) + \frac{1}{2}\cosh d(v,p)\right) - \log\cosh\frac{d(u,v)}{2}.$$

Since

$$\frac{1}{2}\cosh d(u,p) + \frac{1}{2}\cosh d(v,p) = \cosh \frac{d(u,p) + d(v,p)}{2}\cosh \frac{d(u,p) - d(v,p)}{2},$$

we have

$$g(u) \le \frac{1}{2}f(u) + \frac{1}{2}f(v) + \log \cosh \frac{d(u,p) + d(v,p)}{2} - \log \cosh \frac{d(u,v)}{2}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} 0 < \log \cosh \frac{d(u,v)}{2} &\leq \frac{1}{2}f(u) + \frac{1}{2}f(v) + \log \cosh \frac{d(u,p) + d(v,p)}{2} - g(u) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2}f(u) + \frac{1}{2}f(v) + \frac{1}{2}\log \cosh d(u,p) + \frac{1}{2}\log \cosh d(v,p) - g(u) \\ &= g(u) - g(u) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

It is a contradiction. Consequently,  $\operatorname{argmin}_X g$  consists of one point.

**Definition 3.3.** Let f be a proper lower semicontinuous convex function from X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$ . Suppose that f is bounded below. Then we define a new resolvent  $R_f: X \to X$  by

$$R_f x = \operatorname*{argmin}_{y \in X} \{ f(y) + \log \cosh d(y, x) \}$$

for all  $x \in X$ . By Lemma 3.2, we know that  $R_f$  is well-defined.

# 4 Fundamental properties of resolvents in CAT(-1) spaces

**Lemma 4.1.** Let X be a complete CAT(-1) space, f a proper lower semicontinuous convex function of X into  $]-\infty,\infty]$ . Suppose that f is bounded below. Let  $R_{\eta f}$  be the resolvent of  $\eta f$  for all  $\eta > 0$ . If  $\lambda, \mu > 0$  and  $x, y \in X$ , then the inequality

$$(\lambda + \mu) \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, R_{\mu f}y) \le \frac{\mu \cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x)}{\cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x)} + \frac{\lambda \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, y)}{\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, y)}$$

holds.

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda, \mu > 0$  and  $x, y \in X$  be given. Set  $D = d(R_{\lambda f}x, R_{\mu f}y)$  and

$$z_t = tR_{\mu f}y \oplus (1-t)R_{\lambda f}x$$

for all  $t \in ]0,1[$ . By the definition of  $R_{\lambda f}$  and the convexity of f, we have

$$\begin{split} \lambda f(R_{\lambda f}x) &+ \log \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x) \\ &\leq \lambda f(z_t) + \log \cosh d(z_t, x) \\ &\leq t \lambda f(R_{\mu f}y) + (1-t) \lambda f(R_{\lambda f}x) + \log \cosh d(z_t, x). \end{split}$$

On the other hand, Lemma 2.2 implies that

$$\cosh d(tR_{\mu f}y \oplus (1-t)R_{\lambda f}x, x) \sinh D$$
  
$$\leq \cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x) \sinh tD + \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x) \sinh(1-t)D.$$

If D > 0, we have

$$\begin{split} t\lambda(f(R_{\lambda f}x) - f(R_{\mu f}y)) \\ &\leq \log(\cosh d(tR_{\mu f}y, x) \sinh tD + \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x) \sinh(1-t)D) - \log \sinh D \end{split}$$

and hence

$$\lambda(f(R_{\lambda f}x) - f(R_{\mu f}y)) \leq \frac{\log(\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x) \sinh tD + \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x) \sinh(1 - t)D) - \log \sinh D}{t}$$

By l'Hospital's rule, we have

$$\begin{split} \lambda(f(R_{\lambda f}x) - f(R_{\mu f}y)) \\ &\leq \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\log(\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x) \sinh tD + \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x) \sinh(1 - t)D) - \log \sinh D}{t} \\ &= \lim_{t \to 0} \frac{D(\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x) \cosh tD - \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x) \cosh(1 - t)D)}{\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x) \sinh tD + \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x) \sinh(1 - t)D} \\ &= \frac{D}{\sinh D} \left( \frac{\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x)}{\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, y)} - \cosh D \right). \end{split}$$

It implies that

$$\lambda(f(R_{\lambda f}x) - f(R_{\mu f}y)) \le \frac{D}{\sinh D} \left(\frac{\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x)}{\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, y)} - \cosh D\right) \tag{1}$$

and that

$$\mu(f(R_{\mu f}y) - f(R_{\lambda f}x)) \le \frac{D}{\sinh D} \left(\frac{\cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, y)}{\cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x)} - \cosh D\right).$$
(2)

Multiplying (1) by  $\mu$  and (2) by  $\lambda$ , and adding them, we obtain

$$(\lambda + \mu) \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, R_{\mu f}y) \le \frac{\mu \cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, x)}{\cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x)} + \frac{\lambda \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, y)}{\cosh d(R_{\mu f}y, y)}.$$

This is the desired result.

**Corollary 4.2.** Suppose that X and f are the same as the previous lemma. Then  $\mathcal{F}(R_f) = \operatorname{argmin}_X f$ .

*Proof.* Let  $u \in \operatorname{argmin}_X f$  and  $y \in X$ . By the definition of  $R_f$ , we have

$$f(u) + \log(\cosh d(u, u)) = f(u) \le f(y) \le f(y) + \log(\cosh d(y, u)).$$

Thus  $u \in \mathcal{F}(R_f)$ . Let  $u \in \mathcal{F}(R_f)$  and  $y \in X$ . By Lemma 4.1, we have

$$f(R_f u) - f(y) \le \frac{d(R_f u, y)}{\sinh d(R_f u, y)} \left(\frac{\cosh d(u, y)}{\cosh d(R_f u, u)} - \cosh d(R_f u, y)\right)$$

and hence

$$f(u) - f(y) \le \frac{d(u, y)}{\sinh d(u, y)} \left(\frac{\cosh d(u, y)}{\cosh d(u, u)} - \cosh d(u, y)\right) = 0.$$

It follows that  $f(u) \leq f(y)$ . It implies  $u \in \operatorname{argmin}_X f$ .

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**Corollary 4.3.** Suppose that X and f are the same as the previous lemma. Then

 $\cosh d(y, R_{\lambda f}x) \cosh d(R_{\lambda f}x, x) \leq \cosh d(y, x)$ 

for each  $y \in \operatorname{argmin}_X f$ .

**Corollary 4.4.** Suppose that X and f are the same as the previous lemma. If  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$  is nonempty, then  $R_{\lambda f}$  is quasinonexpansive.

#### 5 $\Delta$ -convergent proximal-type algorithm

**Theorem 5.1.** Let X be a complete CAT(-1) space, f a proper lower semicontinuous convex function of X into  $] - \infty, \infty]$ . Suppose that f is bounded below. Let  $R_{\eta f}$  the resolvent of  $\eta f$  for all  $\eta > 0$  and  $\{x_n\}$  a sequence defined by  $x_1 \in X$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n \oplus (1 - \alpha_n) R_{\lambda_n f} x_n,$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a sequence in [0,1[ and  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is a sequence of positive real numbers such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1-\alpha_n)\lambda_n = \infty$ . If  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$  is nonempty and  $\sup_n \alpha_n < 1$ , then both  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{R_{\lambda_n f} x_n\}$  are  $\Delta$ -convergent to an element  $x_0$  of  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$  is nonempty and  $\sup_n \alpha_n < 1$ . Let  $u \in \operatorname{argmin}_X f$  be given. By Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 4.4, we have

$$\cosh d(u, x_{n+1}) \le \alpha_n \cosh d(u, x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) \cosh d(u, R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) \le \cosh d(u, x_n)$$

and hence

$$d(u, x_{n+1}) \le d(u, x_n)$$

Thus,  $\{d(u, x_n)\}$  converges to some  $\beta \in [0, \infty)$ . By Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 4.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \cosh d(u, x_{n+1}) &\leq \alpha_n \cosh d(u, x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) \cosh d(u, R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) \\ &\leq \alpha_n \cosh d(u, x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) \cdot \frac{\cosh d(u, x_n)}{\cosh d(x_n, R_{\lambda_n f} x_n)} \\ &\leq \cosh d(u, x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) \cosh d(u, x_n) \left(\frac{1}{\cosh d(x_n, R_{\lambda_n f} x_n)} - 1\right) \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$0 \ge (1 - \alpha_n) \cosh d(u, x_n) \left( \frac{1}{\cosh d(x_n, R_{\lambda_n f} x_n)} - 1 \right)$$
$$\ge \frac{\cosh d(u, x_{n+1})}{\cosh d(u, x_n)} - 1 \to \frac{\cosh \beta}{\cosh \beta} - 1 = 0.$$

as  $n \to \infty$ . Since  $\sup_n \alpha_n < 1$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) = 0.$$

On the other hand, it follows from Lemma 4.1 that

$$\lambda_n(f(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) - f(u)) \le \cosh d(u, x_n) - \cosh d(u, R_{\lambda_n f} x_n)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . It then follows from Lemma 2.1 that

$$(1 - \alpha_n)\lambda_n(f(R_{\lambda_n f}x_n) - f(u)) \le \cosh d(u, x_n) - \cosh d(u, x_{n+1})$$

and hence

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_n) \lambda_n (f(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) - f(u)) \le \cosh d(u, x_1) - \cosh \beta < \infty.$$

Since  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - \alpha_n) \lambda = \infty$ , it follows that

$$\liminf_{n \to \infty} f(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) - f(u) = 0.$$

By the definition of  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{R_{\lambda_n f} x_n\}$  and the convexity of f, we also have

$$-\infty < \inf f(X) \le f(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) \le f(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) + \log \cosh d(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n, x_n) \le f(x_n)$$

and

$$-\infty < \inf f(X) \le f(x_{n+1}) \le \alpha_n f(x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) f(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) \le f(x_n)$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus  $\{f(x_n)\}$  converges to  $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\{f(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n)\}$  is bounded. Let  $\{n_i\}$  be any increasing sequence in  $\mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\sup_n \alpha_n < 1$ , we have a subsequence  $\{n_{i_j}\}$  of  $\{n_i\}$  such that  $\{\alpha_{n_{i_j}}\}$  converges to some  $\delta \in [0, 1[$ . Then letting  $j \to \infty$  in

$$\frac{1}{1 - \alpha_{n_{i_j}}} \left( f(x_{n_{i_j}+1}) - \alpha_{n_{i_j}} f(x_{n_{i_j}}) \right) \le f(R_{\lambda_{n_{i_j}}} f(x_{n_{i_j}}) \le f(x_{n_{i_j}}),$$

Thus  $\{f(R_{\lambda_{n_{i,j}}}fx_{n_{i,j}})\}$  also converges to  $\gamma$ . Consequently, it follows from

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} (f(R_{\lambda_n f} x_n) - f(u)) = 0$$

that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} f(x_n) = \gamma = f(u) = \inf f(X).$$

Let  $\{x_{n_i}\}$  be an arbitrary subsequence of  $\{x_n\}$ . Let

$$\{x_0\} = \mathcal{A}(\{x_n\}) \text{ and } \{z\} = \mathcal{A}(\{x_{n_i}\}).$$

There exists  $\{x_{n_i}\} \subset \{x_{n_i}\}$  and  $w \in X$  such that  $x_{n_i} \xrightarrow{\Delta} w$ . Since f is  $\Delta$ -lower semicontinuous,

$$f(w) \le \liminf_{j \to \infty} f(x_{n_{i_j}}) = f(u).$$

Thus  $w \in \operatorname{argmin}_X f$ . we also have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup d(w, x_n) = \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(w, x_{n_i})$$
$$= \limsup_{j \to \infty} d(w, x_{n_{i_j}})$$
$$\leq \limsup_{j \to \infty} d(z, x_{n_{i_j}})$$
$$\leq \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(z, x_{n_i})$$
$$\leq \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(x_0, x_{n_i})$$
$$\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(x_0, x_n) \leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(w, x_n).$$

hence  $z = x_0 = w \in \operatorname{argmin}_X f$ . Thus  $\{x_n\}$   $\Delta$ -converges to  $x_0 \in \operatorname{argmin}_X f$ . On the other hand, Let  $\{q\} = \mathcal{A}(\{R_{\lambda_{n_i}f}x_{n_i}\})$  such that any  $\{R_{\lambda_{n_i}f}x_{n_i}\} \subset \{R_{\lambda_nf}x_n\}$ . It follows that

$$\begin{split} \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(R_{\lambda_{n_i}f}x_{n_i}, q) &\leq \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(R_{\lambda_{n_i}f}x_{n_i}, x_0) \\ &\leq \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(R_{\lambda_{n_i}f}x_{n_i}, x_{n_i}) + \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(x_{n_i}, x_0) \\ &\leq \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(x_{n_i}, x_0) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, x_0) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, q) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(x_n, R_{\lambda_n f}x_n) + \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(R_{\lambda_n f}x_n, q) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} d(R_{\lambda_n f}x_{n_i}, q) \\ &= \limsup_{i \to \infty} d(R_{\lambda_{n_i}f}x_{n_i}, q) \end{split}$$

Consequently, we conclude that both  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{R_{\lambda_n f} x_n\}$  are  $\Delta$ -convergent to an element  $x_0$  of  $\operatorname{argmin}_X f$ .

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