

## NEWTON–LIKE METHOD FOR NONSMOOTH SUBANALYTIC VARIATIONAL INCLUSIONS

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**Abstract.** We present a new result for the local convergence of Newton–type method to a unique solution of a nonsmooth subanalytic variational inclusions in finite dimensional spaces. Under a center–type conditions [1]–[4] and using the same or less computational cost, we extend the applicability of Newton’s method [8], [10].

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In this study we are concerned with the problem of approximating a locally unique solution  $x^*$  of the generalized equation

$$(1) \quad 0 \in F(x) + G(x),$$

where  $F$  is a nonsmooth subanalytic function from an open subset  $\mathcal{D}$  of  $\mathcal{X} = \mathbb{R}^n$  into  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $G$  is a set–valued map from  $\mathcal{X}$  to the subsets of  $\mathcal{X}$  with closed graph.

A large number of problems in applied mathematics and engineering are solved by finding the solutions of generalized equation (1), introduced by Robinson [15].

In the particular case  $G = \{0\}$ , (1) is a nonlinear equation in the form

$$(2) \quad F(x) = 0.$$

For example, dynamic systems are mathematically modeled by differential or difference equations, and their solutions usually represent the states of the systems, which are determined by solving equation (2).

Such a study can be of interest in the case  $G \neq \{0\}$ , for example, to variational inequalities for saddle points (see [17], p. 560). Let  $A$  and  $B$  be nonempty, closed and convex subsets of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{R}^m$  respectively, and let  $L : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be some  $\mathcal{C}^1$  convex–concave on  $A \times B$ . The point  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in A \times B$  is a saddle point if the following hold:

$$(3) \quad L(x, \bar{y}) \geq L(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \geq L(\bar{x}, y), \quad \text{for all } x \in A \text{ and } y \in B.$$

The saddle point condition (3) is equivalent to

$$(4) \quad 0 \in f(x, y) + G(x, y),$$

where  $f$  and  $G$  are defined on  $A \times B$  by  $f(x, y) = (\nabla_x L(x, y), -\nabla_y L(x, y))$  and by  $G(x, y) = N_A(x) \times N_B(y)$ , with  $N_A$  (resp.  $N_B$ ) the normal cone to the set  $A$  (resp.  $B$ ). Hence, the variational problem (3) corresponds to generalized equation in formulation (1) and then the saddle point  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  can be approximated by the method investigated in this paper. Another example of application to variational inclusions (see [2]). Let  $K$  be a convex set of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\varphi$  is a function from  $K$  to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The variational inequality problem consists in seeking  $k_0$  in  $K$  such that

$$(5) \quad \text{for each } k \in K, \quad (\varphi(k_0), k - k_0) \geq 0,$$

where  $(\cdot, \cdot)$  denotes the usual scalar product on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Let  $\mathcal{I}_K$  denote the convex indicator function of  $K$  and  $\partial$  the subdifferential operator. Then the problem (5) is equivalent to

$$(6) \quad 0 \in \varphi(k_0) + \mathcal{H}(k_0),$$

with  $\mathcal{H} = \partial \mathcal{I}_K$  (also called the normal cone of  $K$ ). The variational inequality problem (5) is equivalent to (6) which is a generalized equation in formulation (1). Consequently, we can also approximate the solution  $k_0$  of variational inequality (5) using our algorithm (8).

Most of the numerical approximation methods require the expensive computation of the Fréchet-derivative  $F'(x)$  of operator  $F$  at each step, for example Newton's method:

$$(7) \quad 0 \in F(x_n) + F'(x_n)(x_{n+1} - x_n) + G(x_{n+1}), \quad (x_0 \in \mathcal{D}, n \geq 0).$$

A comprehensive bibliography of these methods is given in [2], [3]. In this study, we are interested in numerical method for solving generalized equation (1) when the involved function  $F$  is nonsmooth and subanalytic. We proceed by replacing in method (7) the term  $F'(x_n)$  by  $\Delta F(x_n)$ , where  $\Delta F(x) \in \partial F(x)$ ,  $\partial F(x)$  denotes the Clarke Jacobian of  $F$  at the point  $x \in \mathcal{D}$ .

In this paper, for approximating  $x^*$ , we consider Newton-like method

$$(8) \quad 0 \in F(x_n) + \Delta F(x_n)(x_{n+1} - x_n) + G(x_{n+1}), \quad (x_0 \in \mathcal{D}, n \geq 0).$$

In the nonlinear equations case (i.e.,  $G = \{0\}$  in (1)), the method (8) becomes

$$(9) \quad 0 = F(x_n) + \Delta F(x_n)(x_{n+1} - x_n), \quad (x_0 \in \mathcal{D}, n \geq 0),$$

which considered by Bolte et al. [10] for globally subanalytic mappings.

Here, we are motivated by the works in [10], [8]. Using a center-type conditions [2], [3], we extend the applicability of Newton's method [10], [8]. We prove that Newton's method (8) for globally subanalytic mappings converges superlinearly.

The structure of this paper is the following. In section 2, we collect a number of basic definitions on subanalyticity of sets and functions and recall a fixed points theorem for set-valued maps. In section 3 we show an existence-convergence theorem of sequence given by (8). Some remarks are also presented.

## 2. BACKGROUND MATERIAL

In order to make the paper as self-contained as possible we reintroduce some definitions and some results on fixed point theorems [5]–[17]. Let us begin with some notations that will be used throughout this paper. We let  $\mathcal{Z}$  be a Banach space equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|$ . The distance from a point  $x$  to a set  $A$  in  $\mathcal{Z}$  is defined by  $\text{dist}(x, A) = \inf_{y \in A} \|x - y\|$ , with the convention  $\text{dist}(x, \emptyset) = +\infty$  (according to the general convention  $\inf \emptyset = +\infty$ ). Given a subset  $C$  of  $\mathcal{Z}$ , we denote by  $e(C, A)$  the Hausdorff–Pompeiu excess of  $C$  into  $A$ , defined by

$$e(C, A) = \sup_{x \in C} \text{dist}(x, A),$$

with the conventions  $e(\emptyset, A) = 0$  and  $e(C, \emptyset) = +\infty$  whenever  $C \neq \emptyset$ . For a set-mapping  $\Lambda : \mathcal{X} \rightrightarrows \mathcal{X}$ , we denote by  $\text{gph } \Lambda$  the set  $\{(x, y) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{X}, y \in \Lambda(x)\}$  and  $\Lambda^{-1}(y)$  the set  $\{x \in \mathcal{X}, y \in \Lambda(x)\}$ . The norm in the Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$  will be denoted by  $\|\cdot\|$  and the closed ball centered at  $x$  with radius  $r$  by  $\mathbb{B}_r(x)$ . For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we define  $\tau_n : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  by

$$(10) \quad \tau_n(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) = \left( \frac{x_1}{\sqrt{1+x_1^2}}, \frac{x_2}{\sqrt{1+x_2^2}}, \dots, \frac{x_n}{\sqrt{1+x_n^2}} \right).$$

We also need to define the pseudo-Lipschitzian concept of set-valued maps, introduced by Aubin [7] and also known as Lipschitz-like property [14]:

**DEFINITION 1.** A set-valued  $\Gamma$  is pseudo-Lipschitz around  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y}) \in \text{gph } \Gamma$  with modulus  $M$  if there exist constants  $a$  and  $b$  such that

$$(11) \quad \sup_{z \in \Gamma(y') \cap \mathbb{B}_a(\bar{y})} \text{dist}(z, \Gamma(y'')) \leq M \|y' - y''\|, \text{ for all } y' \text{ and } y'' \text{ in } \mathbb{B}_b(\bar{x}).$$

In the term of excess, we have an equivalent definition of pseudo-Lipschitzian property replacing the inequality (11) by

$$(12) \quad e(\Gamma(y') \cap \mathbb{B}_a(\bar{y}), \Gamma(y'')) \leq M \|y' - y''\|, \text{ for all } y' \text{ and } y'' \text{ in } \mathbb{B}_b(\bar{x}).$$

Pseudo-Lipschitzian property play a crucial role in many aspects of variational analysis and applications [14], [17]. Let us note that the Lipschitz-like of  $\Gamma$  is equivalent to the metric regularity of  $\Gamma^{-1}$ , which is a basic well-posedness property in optimization problems. Other characterization is by Mordukhovich [14] via the concept of coderivative  $\mathcal{D}^*\Gamma(x/y)$ , i.e.,

$$(13) \quad v \in \mathcal{D}^*\Gamma(x/y)(u) \iff (v, -u) \in N_{\text{gph } \Gamma}(x, y).$$

Then the Mordukhovich criterion says that  $\Gamma$  is pseudo-Lipschitz around  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  if and only if

$$(14) \quad \|\mathcal{D}^*\Gamma(\bar{x}/\bar{y})\|^+ = \sup_{u \in \mathbb{B}_1(0)} \sup_{v \in \mathcal{D}^*\Gamma(\bar{x}/\bar{y})(u)} \|v\| < \infty.$$

For some characterizations and applications of the Lipschitz-like property the reader is referred to [7], [12], [14], [16], [17] and the references given there.

We recall the following definition of semianalyticity subsets and subanalyticity functions [9], [10] [11], [18].

DEFINITION 2. (a) A subset  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called semianalytic if each point of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  admits a neighborhood  $\mathcal{V}$  for which  $\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{V}$  assumes the following form:

$$(15) \quad \bigcup_{i=1}^{i=p} \bigcap_{i=1}^{i=q} \{x \in \mathcal{V} : f_{ij}(x) = 0, g_{ij}(x) > 0\},$$

where the functions  $f_{ij}, g_{ij} : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are real-analytic for all  $1 \leq i \leq p$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq q$ .

(b) A subset  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called subanalytic if each point of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  admits a neighborhood  $\mathcal{V}$  such that:

$$(16) \quad \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{V} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : (x, y) \in \mathcal{B}\},$$

where  $\mathcal{B}$  is a bounded semianalytic subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^m$  for some  $m \geq 1$ .

(c) A subset  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is called globally subanalytic if its image by  $\tau_n$  defined by (10) is a subanalytic subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

(d)  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is called subanalytic, if its graph is a subanalytic subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

(e)  $F : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is called globally subanalytic, if its graph is a globally subanalytic subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ .

We need also the following fixed point theorem [12].

LEMMA 1. Let  $\phi$  be a set-valued map from  $\mathcal{X}$  into the closed subsets of  $\mathcal{X}$ . We suppose that for  $\eta_0 \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $r \geq 0$  and  $0 \leq \lambda < 1$  the following properties hold

$$(1) \quad \text{dist}(\eta_0, \phi(\eta_0)) \leq r(1 - \lambda).$$

$$(2) \quad e(\phi(x_1) \cap \mathbb{B}_r(\eta_0), \phi(x_2)) \leq \lambda \|x_1 - x_2\|, \quad \forall x_1, x_2 \in \mathbb{B}_r(\eta_0).$$

Then  $\phi$  has a fixed point in  $\mathbb{B}_r(\eta_0)$ . That is, there exists  $x \in \mathbb{B}_r(\eta_0)$  such that  $x \in \phi(x)$ . If  $\phi$  is single-valued, then  $x$  is the unique fixed point of  $\phi$  in  $\mathbb{B}_r(\eta_0)$ .

Finally, we recall a definition concerning directional differentiability and Clarke's Jacobian in finite dimensional spaces.

DEFINITION 3. (a) A mapping  $F : \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be directionally differentiable at  $x \in \mathcal{D}$  along direction  $d$  if the following limit

$$(17) \quad F'(x; d) := \lim_{t \downarrow 0} \frac{F(x + td) - F(x)}{t}$$

exists.

Note that every definable locally Lipschitz mapping  $F$  admits directional derivatives.

(b) For  $F : \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  a locally Lipschitz continuous function, the limiting Jacobian of  $F$  at  $x \in \mathcal{D}$  is defined by

$$(18) \quad \partial F(x) = \{\mathcal{M} \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathbb{R}^n) : \exists u^k \in \mathcal{D}, \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} F'(u^k) = \mathcal{M}\}.$$

(c) Let  $F : \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a locally Lipschitz continuous function. Clarke's Jacobian of  $F$  at  $x \in \mathcal{D}$  is defined by

$$(19) \quad \partial^\circ F(x) = \overline{\text{co}} \partial F(x),$$

where  $\overline{\text{co}} \mathcal{A}$  is the closed convex envelope of  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ .

### 3. LOCAL CONVERGENCE OF METHOD (8)

Before presenting our main result of convergence of method (8), we give a variant of the result for subanalytic mappings established by Bolte, Daniilidis and Lewis [10, Lemma 3.3]:

LEMMA 2. *Let  $F : \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a locally Lipschitz subanalytic function and  $x \in \mathcal{D}$ . Then, there exists a positive rational number  $\gamma$  and a constant  $C_x > 0$ , such that:*

$$(20) \quad \| F(y) - F(x) - \Delta(y)(y - x) \| \leq C_x \| y - x \|^{1+\gamma}$$

where  $\Delta(y)$  is any element of  $\partial^\circ F(y)$ .

*In particular, there exists a positive rational number  $\gamma^*$ , and a constant  $C_{x^*} > 0$ , such that:*

$$(21) \quad \| F(y) - F(x^*) - \Delta(y)(y - x^*) \| \leq C_{x^*} \| y - x^* \|^{1+\gamma^*}$$

where  $\Delta(y)$  is any element of  $\partial^\circ F(y)$ .

We will be concerned with the existence and the convergence of the sequence defined by (8) to the solution  $x^*$  of (1). The main result of this study is as follows.

THEOREM 1. *Let  $F : \mathcal{D} \subseteq \mathcal{X} \longrightarrow \mathcal{X}$  be a locally Lipschitz subanalytic function. Let  $x^*$  be a locally unique solution of (1). Let  $C_{x^*}$  and  $\gamma^*$  be constants given by (21).*

*Assume:*

(P1) *There exists  $K^* > 0$ , such that for all  $x$  in  $\mathcal{D}$*

$$\| \Delta F(x) - \Delta F(x^*) \| \leq K^* \| x - x^* \|$$

*for all  $\Delta F(x) \in \partial^\circ F(x)$  and  $\Delta F(x^*) \in \partial^\circ F(x^*)$ ;*

(P2) *For all  $\Delta F(x^*) \in \partial^\circ F(x^*)$ , the set-valued map  $(G + \Delta F(x^*)) (\cdot - x^*)^{-1}$  is pseudo-Lipschitz around  $(-F(x^*), x^*)$  with constants  $M$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  (these constants are given in Definition 1).*

*Then, for every constant  $C$  satisfying*

$$(22) \quad C \geq C_0 = M C_{x^*},$$

*there exists  $\delta > 0$  with*

$$(23) \quad \delta < \delta_0 = \min \left\{ a; \sqrt[\gamma^*]{\frac{1}{C}}; \sqrt[1+\gamma^*]{\frac{b}{2C_{x^*}}}; \sqrt{\frac{b}{4K^*}} \right\}$$

*such that for every starting point  $x_0$  in  $\mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*)$  (with  $x_0 \neq x^*$ ), the sequence  $(x_k)$  defined by (8) converges to  $x^*$ .*

Moreover  $(x_k)$  satisfies the following inequality for  $k \geq 0$ :

$$(24) \quad \|x_{k+1} - x^*\| \leq C \|x_k - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*}.$$

We need to introduce some notations [5], [6]. First, define the set-valued maps  $Q : \mathcal{X} \rightrightarrows \mathcal{X}$  and  $\psi_k : \mathcal{X} \rightrightarrows \mathcal{X}$  by

$$(25) \quad Q(x) = F(x^*) + \Delta F(x^*)(x - x^*) + G(x), \quad \psi_k(x) = Q^{-1}(Z_k(x)), \quad k \geq 0$$

where  $Z_k$  is a mapping from  $\mathcal{X}$  to  $\mathcal{X}$  defined by

$$(26) \quad Z_k(x) = F(x^*) - F(x_k) + \Delta F(x^*)(x - x^*) - \Delta F(x_k)(x - x_k), \quad k \geq 0.$$

REMARK 1. The proof of Theorem 1 is given by induction on  $k$ . We first state a result involving the starting point  $x_0$ . Let us note that the point  $x_1$  is a fixed point of  $\psi_0$  if and only if  $0 \in F(x_1) + \Delta F(x_0)(x_1 - x_0) + G(x_1)$ . Once  $x_k$  is computed, we show that the function  $\psi_k$  has a fixed point  $x_{k+1}$  in  $\mathcal{X}$ . This process is useful to prove the existence of a sequence  $(x_k)$  satisfying (8).

PROPOSITION 1. *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1, and for every distinct starting points  $x_0$  in  $\mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*)$  (with  $x_0 \neq x^*$ ), the set-valued map  $\psi_0$  has a fixed point  $x_1$  in  $\mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*)$  satisfying*

$$(27) \quad \|x_1 - x^*\| \leq C \|x_0 - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*}$$

where  $C$  and  $\delta$  are given by Theorem 1.

*Proof.* By hypothesis (P2) we have

$$(28) \quad e(Q^{-1}(y') \cap \mathbb{B}_a(x^*), Q^{-1}(y'')) \leq M \|y' - y''\|, \quad \forall y', y'' \in \mathbb{B}_b(0).$$

Moreover, by Lemma 2 (see (21)) we obtain the following

$$(29) \quad \begin{aligned} \|Z_0(x^*)\| &= \|F(x_0) - F(x^*) - \Delta f(x_0)(x_0 - x^*)\| \\ &\leq C_{x^*} \|x_0 - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*}. \end{aligned}$$

By (23) we have  $Z_0(x^*) \in \mathbb{B}_b(0)$ .

Hence from (28) one gets

$$(30) \quad \begin{aligned} e\left(Q^{-1}(0) \cap \mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*), \psi_0(x^*)\right) &= e\left(Q^{-1}(0) \cap \mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*), Q^{-1}[Z_0(x^*)]\right) \\ &\leq M C_{x^*} \|x_0 - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*} \\ &= C_0 \|x_0 - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*}. \end{aligned}$$

According to the definition of excess  $e$  and using (30), we have

$$(31) \quad \text{dist}(x^*, \psi_0(x^*)) \leq e\left(Q^{-1}(0) \cap \mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*), \psi_0(x^*)\right),$$

and

$$(32) \quad \text{dist}(x^*, \psi_0(x^*)) \leq C_0 \|x_0 - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*}.$$

Since  $C > C_0$ , there exists  $\lambda \in [0, 1[$  such that  $C(1 - \lambda) \geq C_0$ , and

$$(33) \quad \text{dist}(x^*, \psi_0(x^*)) \leq C(1 - \lambda) \|x_0 - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*}.$$

Identifying  $\eta_0$ ,  $\phi$  and  $r$  in Lemma 1 by  $x^*$ ,  $\psi_0$  and  $r_0 = C \|x_0 - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*}$  respectively, we can deduce from the inequality (33) that the first assumption in Lemma 1 is satisfied.

We prove now that the second assumption of Lemma 1 is verified.

Using (23), we have  $r_0 \leq \delta \leq a$ , and moreover for  $x \in \mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*)$  we get in turn

$$\begin{aligned} \|Z_0(x)\| &= \|F(x^*) - F(x_0) + \Delta F(x^*)(x - x^*) - \Delta F(x_0)(x - x_0)\| \\ &\leq \|F(x_0) - F(x^*) - \Delta F(x_0)(x_0 - x^*)\| \\ &\quad + \|(\Delta F(x_0) - \Delta F(x^*))(x - x^*)\| \\ &\leq \|F(x_0) - F(x^*) - \Delta F(x_0)(x_0 - x^*)\| \\ &\quad + \|\Delta F(x_0) - \Delta F(x^*)\| \|x - x^*\|. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 2 and (P2) we obtain

$$(34) \quad \begin{aligned} \|Z_0(x)\| &\leq C_{x^*} \|x_0 - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*} + K^* \|x_0 - x^*\| \|x - x^*\| \\ &\leq C_{x^*} \delta^{1+\gamma^*} + K^* \delta^2. \end{aligned}$$

Then by (23), we deduce that for all  $x \in \mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*)$  we have  $Z_0(x) \in \mathbb{B}_b(0)$ . Then it follows that for all  $x', x'' \in \mathbb{B}_{r_0}(x^*)$  we have

$$e(\psi_0(x') \cap \mathbb{B}_{r_0}(x^*), \psi_0(x'')) \leq e(\psi_0(x') \cap \mathbb{B}_\delta(x^*), \psi_0(x'')),$$

which yields by (28) and (P2):

$$(35) \quad \begin{aligned} e(\psi_0(x') \cap \mathbb{B}_{r_0}(x^*), \psi_0(x'')) &\leq M \|Z_0(x') - Z_0(x'')\| \\ &= M \|(\Delta F(x_0) - \Delta F(x^*))(x'' - x')\| \\ &\leq M K^* \|x_0 - x^*\| \|x'' - x'\| \\ &\leq M K^* \delta \|x'' - x'\|. \end{aligned}$$

Without loss of generality, we may suppose that  $\delta \leq \frac{\lambda}{MK^*}$ . The second condition of Lemma 1 is satisfied. By Lemma 1 we can deduce the existence of a fixed point  $x_1 \in \mathbb{B}_{r_0}(x^*)$  for the map  $\psi_0$ . The proof of Proposition 1 is complete.  $\square$

*Proof.* (Proof of Theorem 1) Keep  $\eta_0 = x^*$ , and for  $k \geq 1$ , set:

$$r := r_k = C \|x^* - x_k\|^{1+\gamma^*}.$$

By Remark 1, the application of Proposition 1 to the map  $\psi_k$  gives the desired result.  $\square$

**REMARK 2.** In order for us to compare our results with the corresponding ones in [8], let us introduce conditions used in [8] to prove a result similar to Theorem 1:

(P1)\* There exists  $K > 0$ , such that  $\forall x \in \mathcal{D}$ ,  $\forall \Delta F(x) \in \partial^\circ F(x)$ ,  $\|\Delta F(x)\| \leq K$ ;

(P2)\* For all  $\Delta F(x^*) \in \partial^\circ F(x^*)$ , the set-valued map  $(G + \Delta F(x^*)(\cdot - x^*))^{-1}$  is pseudo-Lipschitz around  $(-F(x^*), x^*)$  with constants  $M$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  (These constants are given in Definition 1), and  $2MK < 1$ .

The condition (P2)\* used in [8] is stronger than our condition (P2) (we do not use in our hypothesis (P2) the additional condition  $2MK < 1$ ). Moreover, the constant  $K$  given in (P1)\* is not easy to compute. This is another motivation for introducing our center-condition (P1) [2], [3].

Another advantage of our method, we give in our Theorem 1 a finer error estimate on the distances  $\|x_{k+1} - x^*\|$  ( $k \geq 0$ ) than that given in [8, Theorem 3.1]. The convergence in [8] is given by:

$$(36) \quad \|x_{k+1} - x^*\| \leq \rho \|x_k - x^*\|^{1+\gamma} \quad (k \geq 0)$$

where  $\gamma$  is given by strong estimate (20) in Lemma 2 and  $\rho$  is a positive constant. In our Theorem 1, we obtain a finer estimate than (36):

$$(37) \quad \|x_{k+1} - x^*\| \leq C \|x_k - x^*\|^{1+\gamma^*} \quad (k \geq 0)$$

by using only  $\gamma^*$  given by center-estimate (21).

Hence, the claims us ade in the introduction have been justified.

REMARK 3. We can enlarge the radius of convergence in Theorem 1 even further as follows: using inequalities (34), (29), we can improve  $\delta$  given by (23) by considering the constant  $\delta'$ :

$$\delta' < \delta'_0 = \min \left\{ a; \sqrt[\gamma^*]{\frac{1}{C}}; \sqrt[1+\gamma^*]{\frac{b}{C_{x^*}}}; \delta_1 \right\}$$

where  $\delta_1$  is given by  $\delta_1 = \max \{ \eta > 0 : C_{x^*} \eta^{1+\gamma^*} + 2K^* \eta^2 - b < 0 \}$ .

## CONCLUSION

We provided a Newton-like method to approximate an unique solution for nonsmooth subanalytic variational inclusions in finite dimensional spaces. Moreover, we obtain a local convergence result (see Theorem 1) using center-type conditions and Lipschitz-like concept for set-valued maps.

Under some ideas given in [2, 3] for nonlinear equations, and using some observations (see Remarks 2 and 3), we provided a finer analysis than [8] with finer error estimate on the distances  $\|x_n - x^*\|$  ( $n \geq 1$ ).

These observations are very important in computational mathematics [2, 3].

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