# Stabilizing discrete dynamical systems by monotone Krasnoselskij type iterative schemes 

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#### Abstract

In this note monotone approximations of fixed points of real Lipschitz functions are produced by employing a variation controlling mechanism and a growth-rate controlling mechanism, both with generalized Krasnoselskij type iterations, and both inspired from discrete dynamical systems.


## 1. Preliminaries

Discrete dynamical systems are intensively studied due to their applications in various fields. Even if one dimensional, they are able to model many different kind of phenomena.

For $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a<b$ and $f:[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ denote

$$
[[a, b], f]
$$

the discrete dynamical system defined by $f$. In such systems the trajectory of an element $x_{0} \in[a, b]$ is the sequence started with $x_{0}$ and generated by the Picard iteration

$$
x_{n+1}=f\left(x_{n}\right), n \in \mathbb{N} .
$$

A basic problem regarding the discrete dynamical system $[[a, b], f]$ is the study of trajectories for all starting points and the analysis of the dependences on starting points of the trajectories when $f$ satisfies some smoothness conditions.

Denote $F_{f}$ the set of fixed points of $f, F_{f}=\{x \mid x \in[a, b], f(x)=x\}$ (possible empty).

If $f$ is continuous, since $f(a) \geq a$ and $f(b) \leq b$, by the intermediate value theorem applied to $f(x)-x$, it results that $f$ possesses at least one fixed point, $F_{f} \neq \varnothing$; moreover, the set $F_{f}$ is compact, as it is a bounded and closed subset of $\mathbb{R}$.

In the discrete dynamical system $[[a, b], f]$ a fixed point $x^{*}$ of $f$ is considered as ([3], [5])
-attracting or stable if there exists an open interval $I$ which contains $x^{*}$ such that $f(x) \in I$ for all $x \in I$ and $\lim _{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{n}(x)=x^{*}$ for all $x \in I$;
-repelling or instable if there exists an open interval $I$ which contains $x^{*}$ such that for every $x \in I \backslash\left\{x^{*}\right\}$ there exists $n \in \mathbb{N}^{*}$ with $f^{n}(x) \notin I$.

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We call the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} s$-increasing if either $x_{n}<x_{n+1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, or there is a $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_{0}<x_{1}<\ldots<x_{k-1}<x_{k}=x_{k+1}=x_{k+2}=\ldots$. We call the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} s$-decreasing if either $x_{n}>x_{n+1}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, or there is a $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_{0}>x_{1}>\ldots>x_{k-1}>x_{k}=x_{k+1}=x_{k+2}=\ldots$.

Slightly differently from [1] where the strict monotony is required, through this paper we consider a fixed point $x^{*}$ of $f$ as
-monotonously attracting from below if there exists $\epsilon>0$ such that all trajectories starting with $x_{0} \in\left(x^{*}-\epsilon, x^{*}\right)$ are s-increasing and converge to $x^{*}$;
-monotonously attracting from above if there exists $\epsilon>0$ such that all trajectories starting with $x_{0} \in\left(x^{*}, x^{*}+\epsilon\right)$ are s-decreasing and converge to $x^{*}$;
-monotonously stable if it is monotonously attracting both from below and from above.

We associate to $f$ the following two families of functions

$$
\begin{gathered}
\bar{f}_{\gamma}:[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \bar{f}_{\gamma}(x)=x+\gamma(f(x)-x), \\
\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}:[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \widetilde{f}_{\gamma}(x)=x(1+\gamma(f(x)-x)),
\end{gathered}
$$

where $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{*}$.
The function $f$ and all the functions $\bar{f}_{\gamma}$ are related to each other by sharing exactly the same fixed points set

$$
F_{f}=F_{\bar{f}_{\gamma^{\prime}}} \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{*}
$$

If $0 \notin[a, b]$, then also

$$
F_{f}=F_{\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}}, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{*}
$$

Indeed, if $x \in F_{f}$, then $f(x)-x=0$, so $\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}(x)=x$ and $x \in F_{\tilde{f}_{\gamma}}$. Conversely, if $x \in F_{\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}}$, from $\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}(x)=x$, since $x \neq 0$ and $\gamma \neq 0$, it results that $f(x)-x=0$, so $x \in F_{f}$.

The conditions $\gamma \neq 0$, respectively $0 \notin[a, b]$, are essential for the above statements.

With $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{*}$ on some suitable interval $I \subset[a, b]$ we will consider, associated to $[[a, b], f]$, the discrete dynamical system

$$
\left[I, \bar{f}_{\gamma}\right]
$$

and we refer to it as a variation controlled discrete dynamical system with control parameter $\gamma$. In $\left[I, \bar{f}_{\gamma}\right]$ the trajectory of an element $y_{0} \in I$ is generated by

$$
y_{n+1}=\bar{f}_{\gamma}\left(y_{n}\right), n \in \mathbb{N}
$$

i. e.

$$
y_{n+1}=y_{n}+\gamma\left(f\left(y_{n}\right)-y_{n}\right), n \in \mathbb{N},
$$

or

$$
y_{n+1}=(1-\gamma) y_{n}+\gamma f\left(y_{n}\right), n \in \mathbb{N}
$$

For $I=[a, b]$, in the system $\left[[a, b], \bar{f}_{\gamma}\right]$ with $\gamma \in(0,1)$ given, this is exactly a Krasnoselskij iteration applied to $f$.

In case that $0 \notin[a, b]$, with $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}^{*}$ on some suitable interval $I \subset[a, b]$ we will also consider, associated to $[[a, b], f]$, the discrete dynamical system

$$
\left[I, \widetilde{f}_{\gamma}\right] .
$$

In $\left[I, \tilde{f}_{\gamma}\right]$ the trajectory of an element $z_{0} \in I$ is generated by

$$
z_{n+1}=\widetilde{f}\left(z_{n}\right), n \in \mathbb{N},
$$

i. e.

$$
z_{n+1}=z_{n}\left(1+\gamma\left(f\left(z_{n}\right)-z_{n}\right)\right), n \in \mathbb{N},
$$

or

$$
z_{n+1}=z_{n}+\gamma z_{n}\left(f\left(z_{n}\right)-z_{n}\right),
$$

iteration studied by Huang, W. [6] under some conditions on $f^{\prime}$ at the fixed point of $f$. Remark that

$$
\frac{z_{n+1}-z_{n}}{z_{n}}=\gamma\left(f\left(z_{n}\right)-z_{n}\right),
$$

a ground for referring to the system $\left[I, \widetilde{f}_{\gamma}\right]$ as a growth-rate controlled discrete dynamical system with control parameter $\gamma$ ([6]).

For recent and comprehensive results on Picard and Krasnoselskij iterations, both presented within more general settings, we refer to [2].

Through this paper we focus on discrete dynamical systems $[[a, b], f]$ with $f$ : $[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ satisfying a Lipschitz condition, i. e.

$$
\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{2}\right)\right| \leq L\left|u_{1}-u_{2}\right|, u_{1}, u_{2} \in[a, b],
$$

where $L>0$ is a constant. Such a function is continuous, so it possesses at least one fixed point and the set of its fixed points is compact.

## 2. Monotone iterations With Lipschitz functions

Let $f:[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ satisfying a Lipschitz condition. As it is mentioned in Section 1, $f$ is continuous, $F_{f} \neq \varnothing$ and $F_{f}$ is compact. Let $c_{1}, c_{2} \in[a, b]$, $c_{1}<c_{2}$. If $f\left(c_{1}\right)-c_{1}$ and $f\left(c_{2}\right)-c_{2}$ are of opposite sign, meaning that $\left(f\left(c_{1}\right)-c_{1}\right)\left(f\left(c_{2}\right)-c_{2}\right) \leq 0$, then, by the intermediate value theorem $F_{f} \cap$ $\left[c_{1}, c_{2}\right] \neq \varnothing$. In this case $F_{f} \cap\left[c_{1}, c_{2}\right]$, as a compact subset of $\mathbb{R}$, possesses a least element and a greatest element.

When $f$ satisfies the Lipschitz condition with $L<1$, by the contraction principle $F_{f}$ consists of a unique fixed point of $f$ and all sequences $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ generated by the Picard iteration $x_{0} \in[a, b], x_{n+1}=f\left(x_{n}\right)$, converge to this fixed point.

When a function $f:[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ is monotone, the sequences $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ generated by the Picard iteration are either monotone or compounded from two monotone subsequences $\left(x_{2 k+1}\right)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ and $\left(x_{2 k}\right)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} ;$ if $f$ is also continuous, then these sequences converge to a fixed point of $f$. For results on Picard iterations with monotone and continuous functions see [7].

Hillam ([4]) prove for $f:[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ satisfying the Lipschitz condition with constant $L>0$ that for any $x_{0} \in[a, b]$ the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ defined by the Krasnoselskij iteration $x_{n+1}=(1-\gamma) x_{n}+\gamma f\left(x_{n}\right)$ with $\gamma=\frac{1}{L+1}$ converges monotonically to a fixed point of $f$.

Hillam's result is remarkable in giving monotone iterations for functions $f$ : $[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ that are not necessarily monotone.

Hillam's paper [4] inspires us for our next theorem and proof, dealing with generalized Krasnoselskij type iterations of $f$, that are, in fact, Picard iterations of the function $\bar{f}_{\gamma}$.
Theorem 2.1. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a<b, f:[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ satisfying the Lipschitz condition with $L>0$, and let $x_{0} \in[a, b]$.
i) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$, letting $\gamma \in\left(0, \frac{1}{L+1}\right]$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^{\prime}} x_{n+1}=$ $(1-\gamma) x_{n}+\gamma f\left(x_{n}\right)$, is s-increasing and convergent to $\min \left(F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]\right)$.
ii) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$ and $F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right] \neq \varnothing$, letting $\gamma \in\left[-\frac{1}{L+1}, 0\right)$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_{n+1}=(1-\gamma) x_{n}+\gamma f\left(x_{n}\right)$, is $s$-decreasing and convergent to $\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)$.
iii) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)<x_{0}$, letting $\gamma \in\left(0, \frac{1}{L+1}\right]$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_{n+1}=$ $(1-\gamma) x_{n}+\gamma f\left(x_{n}\right)$, is s-decreasing and convergent to $\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)$.
iv) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)<x_{0}$ and $F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right] \neq \varnothing$, letting $\gamma \in\left[-\frac{1}{L+1}, 0\right)$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^{\prime}} x_{n+1}=(1-\gamma) x_{n}+\gamma f\left(x_{n}\right)$, is s-increasing and convergent to $\min \left(F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]\right)$.
Proof. We discuss the case when $f\left(x_{n}\right) \neq x_{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
i) Remark that $F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right] \neq \varnothing$ is assured by $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$ and $f(b) \leq b$. Denote $p=\min \left(F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]\right)$.

We have $x_{0}<p$ and $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$. We show that if $x_{0}<x_{1}<\cdots<x_{k}<p$ and $f\left(x_{k}\right)>x_{k}$, then $x_{k}<x_{k+1}<p$ and $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)>x_{k+1}$ :

- Having $x_{k}<p$ and supposing $x_{k+1}>p$, it follows successively

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left|p-x_{k}\right|<\left|x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right|=\gamma\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}\right|=\gamma\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-f(p)+p-x_{k}\right| \leq \\
\gamma\left(\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-f(p)\right|+\left|p-x_{k}\right|\right) \leq \gamma\left(L\left|x_{k}-p\right|+\left|p-x_{k}\right|\right)= \\
\gamma(L+1)\left|p-x_{k}\right| \leq\left|p-x_{k}\right|
\end{gathered}
$$

which is a contradiction. Thus $x_{k+1}<p$.

- The inequality $x_{k}<x_{k+1}$ follows from $x_{k+1}=x_{k}+\gamma\left(f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}\right)$ since $\gamma>0$ and $f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}>0$.
- Now, supposing $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)<x_{k+1}$, as $f\left(x_{k}\right)>x_{k}$, it follows that $f$ has a fixed point in $\left(x_{k}, x_{k+1}\right)$, which contradicts $\min \left(F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]\right)=p>x_{k+1}$. Thus $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)>x_{k+1}$.

By induction it follows that $x_{n}<x_{n+1}<p$ and $f\left(x_{n}\right)>x_{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
The sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is convergent to an $x^{*} \in\left[x_{0}, p\right]$, since it is monotone increasing and bounded from above by $p$. Since $f$ is continuous and since $\gamma \neq 0$, the recurrence $x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$ implies $x^{*}=f\left(x^{*}\right)$, so $x^{*}=p$.
ii) Denote $q=\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)$. From $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$ it follows that $q<x_{0}$.

We have $q<x_{0}$ and $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$. We show that if $q<x_{k}<\cdots<x_{1}<x_{0}$ and $f\left(x_{k}\right)>x_{k}$, then $q<x_{k+1}<x_{k}$ and $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)>x_{k+1}$ :
-Having $q<x_{k}$ and supposing $x_{k+1}<q$, it follows successively

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left|q-x_{k}\right|<\left|x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right|=|\gamma|\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}\right|=|\gamma| \cdot\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-f(q)+q-x_{k}\right| \leq \\
|\gamma|\left(\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-f(q)\right|+\left|q-x_{k}\right|\right) \leq|\gamma|\left(L\left|x_{k}-q\right|+\left|q-x_{k}\right|\right)= \\
|\gamma|(L+1)\left|q-x_{k}\right| \leq\left|q-x_{k}\right|
\end{gathered}
$$

which is a contradiction. Thus $q<x_{k+1}$.

- The inequality $x_{k+1}<x_{k}$ follows from $x_{k+1}=x_{k}+\gamma\left(f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}\right)$ since $\gamma<0$ and $f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}>0$.
- Now, supposing $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)<x_{k+1}$, as $f\left(x_{k}\right)>x_{k}$, it follows that $f$ has a fixed point in $\left(x_{k+1}, x_{k}\right)$, which contradicts $\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)=q<x_{k+1}$. Thus $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)>x_{k+1}$.

By induction it follows that $q<x_{n+1}<x_{n}$ and $f\left(x_{n}\right)>x_{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
The sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is convergent to an $x^{*} \in\left[q, x_{0}\right]$, since it is monotone decreasing and bounded from below by $q$. Since $f$ is continuous and since $\gamma \neq 0$, the recurrence $x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$ implies $x^{*}=f\left(x^{*}\right)$, so $x^{*}=q$.

The proofs of iii) and iv) are similar to that of i) and ii) respectively.
Our next two theorems - inspired by the growth-rate adjustment mechanism studied under some conditions on $f^{\prime}$ at the fixed point of $f$ by Huang, W. [6] deal with generalized Krasnoselskij type iterations for $f$, that are, in fact, Picard iterations of the function $\tilde{f}_{\gamma}$. The proofs we present here are inspired by the proof in [4].

Theorem 2.2. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, 0<a<b, f:[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ satisfying the Lipschitz condition with $L>0$, and let $x_{0} \in[a, b]$.
i) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$, consider $p=\min \left(F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]\right)$. Letting $\gamma \in\left(0, \frac{1}{p(L+1)}\right]$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$, is s-increasing and convergent to $p$.
ii) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$ and $F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right] \neq \varnothing$, consider $q=\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)$. Letting $\gamma \in\left[-\frac{1}{x_{0}(L+1)}, 0\right)$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^{\prime}} x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$, is $s$-decreasing and convergent to $q$.
iii) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)<x_{0}$, consider $q=\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)$. Letting $\gamma \in\left(0, \frac{1}{x_{0}(L+1)}\right]$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$, is s-decreasing and convergent to $q$.
iv) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)<x_{0}$ and $F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right] \neq \varnothing$, consider $p=\min \left(F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]\right)$. Letting $\gamma \in\left[-\frac{1}{p(L+1)}, 0\right)$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$, is sincreasing and convergent to $p$.

Proof. We discuss the case when $f\left(x_{n}\right) \neq x_{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
i) Remark that $F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right] \neq \varnothing$ is assured by $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$ and $f(b) \leq b$.

We have $x_{0}<p$ and $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$. We show that if $x_{0}<x_{1}<\cdots<x_{k}<p$ and $f\left(x_{k}\right)>x_{k}$, then $x_{k}<x_{k+1}<p$ and $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)>x_{k+1}$ :

- Having $x_{k}<p$ and supposing $x_{k+1}>p$, it follows successively

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left|p-x_{k}\right|<\left|x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right|=\gamma x_{k}\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}\right|=\gamma x_{k}\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-f(p)+p-x_{k}\right| \leq \\
\gamma x_{k}\left(\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-f(p)\right|+\left|p-x_{k}\right|\right) \leq \gamma x_{k}\left(L\left|x_{k}-p\right|+\left|p-x_{k}\right|\right)= \\
\gamma x_{k}(L+1)\left|p-x_{k}\right| \leq \gamma p(L+1)\left|p-x_{k}\right| \leq\left|p-x_{k}\right|
\end{gathered}
$$

which is a contradiction. Thus $x_{k+1}<p$.

- The inequality $x_{k}<x_{k+1}$ follows from $x_{k+1}=x_{k}+\gamma x_{k}\left(f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}\right)$ since $\gamma>0, x_{k}>0$ and $f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}>0$.
- Now, supposing $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)<x_{k+1}$, as $f\left(x_{k}\right)>x_{k}$, it follows that $f$ has a fixed point in $\left(x_{k}, x_{k+1}\right)$, which contradicts $\min F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]=p>x_{k+1}$. Thus $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)>$ $x_{k+1}$.

By induction it follows that $x_{n}<x_{n+1}<p$ and $f\left(x_{n}\right)>x_{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
The sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is convergent to an $x^{*} \in\left[x_{0}, p\right]$, since it is monotone increasing and bounded from above by $p$. Since $f$ is continuous and since $x^{*} \neq 0$, $\gamma \neq 0$, the recurrence $x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$ implies $x^{*}=f\left(x^{*}\right)$, so $x^{*}=p$.
ii) From $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$ it follows that $q<x_{0}$.

We have $q<x_{0}$ and $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$. We show that if $q<x_{k}<\cdots<x_{1}<x_{0}$ and $f\left(x_{k}\right)>x_{k}$, then $q<x_{k+1}<x_{k}$ and $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)>x_{k+1}$ :
-Having $q<x_{k}$ and supposing $x_{k+1}<q$, it follows successively

$$
\begin{gathered}
\left|q-x_{k}\right|<\left|x_{k+1}-x_{k}\right|=|\gamma| \cdot x_{k} \cdot\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}\right|=|\gamma| \cdot x_{k} \cdot\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-f(q)+q-x_{k}\right| \leq \\
|\gamma| x_{k}\left(\left|f\left(x_{k}\right)-f(q)\right|+\left|q-x_{k}\right|\right) \leq|\gamma| x_{k}\left(L\left|x_{k}-q\right|+\left|q-x_{k}\right|\right)= \\
|\gamma| x_{k}(L+1)\left|q-x_{k}\right| \leq|\gamma| x_{0}(L+1)\left|q-x_{k}\right| \leq\left|q-x_{k}\right|
\end{gathered}
$$

which is a contradiction. Thus $q<x_{k+1}$.

- The inequality $x_{k+1}<x_{k}$ follows from $x_{k+1}=x_{k}+\gamma x_{k}\left(f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}\right)$ since $\gamma<0, x_{k}>0$ and $f\left(x_{k}\right)-x_{k}>0$.
- Now, supposing $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)<x_{k+1}$, as $f\left(x_{k}\right)>x_{k}$, it follows that $f$ has a fixed point in $\left(x_{k+1}, x_{k}\right)$, which contradicts $\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)=q<x_{k+1}$. Thus $f\left(x_{k+1}\right)>x_{k+1}$.

By induction it follows that $q<x_{n+1}<x_{n}$ and $f\left(x_{n}\right)>x_{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.
The sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is convergent to an $x^{*} \in\left[q, x_{0}\right]$, since it is monotone decreasing and bounded from below by $q$. Since $f$ is continuous and since $x^{*} \neq 0$, $\gamma \neq 0$, the recurrence $x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$ implies $x^{*}=f\left(x^{*}\right)$, so $x^{*}=q$.

The proofs of iii) and iv) are similar to that of i) and ii) respectively.
Theorem 2.3. Let $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a<b<0, f:[a, b] \rightarrow[a, b]$ satisfying the Lipschitz condition with $L>0$, and let $x_{0} \in[a, b]$.
i) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$, consider $p=\min \left(F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]\right)$. Letting $\gamma \in\left[\frac{1}{x_{0}(L+1)}, 0\right)$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$, is s-increasing and convergent to $p$.
ii) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)>x_{0}$ and $F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right] \neq \varnothing$, consider $q=\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)$. Letting $\gamma \in\left(0, \frac{1}{-q(L+1)}\right]$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$, is $s$ decreasing and convergent to $q$.
iii) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)<x_{0}$, consider $q=\max \left(F_{f} \cap\left[a, x_{0}\right]\right)$. Letting $\gamma \in\left[\frac{1}{q(L+1)}, 0\right)$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}, x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$, is s-decreasing and convergent to $q$.
iv) If $f\left(x_{0}\right)<x_{0}$ and $F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right] \neq \varnothing$, consider $p=\min \left(F_{f} \cap\left[x_{0}, b\right]\right)$. Letting $\gamma \in\left(0, \frac{1}{-x_{0}(L+1)}\right]$, the sequence $\left(x_{n}\right)_{n \in \mathbb{N}^{\prime}} x_{n+1}=x_{n}+\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$, is $s$-increasing and convergent to $p$.

Proof. The proof is similar to that of the previous theorem.
Remark 2.1. In Theorem 2.2, independently on $x_{0}$ and $p$, the conditions on $\gamma$ from i) and iii) are satisfied for all $\gamma \in\left(0, \frac{1}{b(L+1)}\right]$, those from ii) and iv) are satisfied for all $\gamma \in\left[-\frac{1}{b(L+1)}, 0\right)$. In Theorem 2.3, independently on $x_{0}$ and $q$, the conditions on $\gamma$ from i) and iii) are satisfied for all $\gamma \in\left[\frac{1}{a(L+1)}, 0\right)$, those from ii) and iv) are satisfied for all $\gamma \in\left(0, \frac{1}{-a(L+1)}\right]$.

The theorems developed here have concrete usability in searching for fixed points of Lipschitz functions, as well as in the analysis of discrete dynamical systems $[[a, b], f]$ with $f$ satisfying a Lipschitz condition.

## 3. NUMERICAL EXPERIMENT

Consider the discrete dynamical system $[[-2,2], f], f(x)=\left|2 x^{2}-4\right|-2$. This function $f, f:[-2,2] \rightarrow[-2,2]$, satisfies the Lipschitz condition with $L=8$, and has the fixed points set $F_{f}=\left\{-\frac{3}{2}, \frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}, \frac{-1+\sqrt{17}}{4}, 2\right\}$. Remark that $f$ is not differentiable at $x= \pm \sqrt{2}$. Figure 1 depicts the graph of $f$. Figure 3 depicts the graph of $f^{3}$.

The trajectory of $x_{0}=-1.45$ in the discrete dynamical system $[[-2,2], f]$ starts as follows - only the first two decimal places being listed trough this paper

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \{-1.45,-1.80,0.44,1.61,-0.84,0.58,1.34,-1.57,-1.04,-0.18,1.93,1.47 \\
& -1.66,-0.46,1.58,-1.00,0.02,2.00,2.00,1.97,1.74,0.04,2.00,1.97,1.78,0.31 \\
& \quad 1.80,0.51,1.47,-1.67,-0.40,1.68, \ldots\}
\end{aligned}
$$

The trajectory of $x_{0}=0.25$ in $[[-2,2], f]$ starts as follows

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \{0.25,1.88,1.03,-0.13,1.97,1.74,0.08,1.99,1.89,1.12,-0.49,1.52,-1.35 \\
& -1.65,-0.54,1.41,-2.00,1.98,1.87,1.01,-0.05,1.99,1.96,1.65,-0.56,1.37 \\
& \quad-1.73,-0.04,2.00,1.98,1.84,0.75,0.87,0.48,1.53,-1.30, \ldots\}
\end{aligned}
$$

It seems that both these trajectories start chaotically.
By Theorem 2.1 iv) the sequence $x_{0}=-1.45, x_{n+1}=\bar{f}_{\gamma}\left(x_{n}\right)=(1-\gamma) x_{n}+$ $\gamma f\left(x_{n}\right)$ with $\gamma=-0.1$ is s-increasing and convergent to $\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}$; the same is true for any $x_{0} \in\left(-1.45, \frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}\right)$, so in the discrete dynamical system
$\left[\left[-1.45, \frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}\right], \bar{f}_{-0.1}\right]$ the fixed point $\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}$ is monotonously attracting from below.
The trajectory of $x_{0}=-1.45$ in this dynamical system is stabilized as

$$
\begin{gathered}
\{-1.45,-1.42,-1.36,-1.32,-1.31,-1.30,-1.29,-1.29,-1.28, \\
-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28, \ldots\} .
\end{gathered}
$$

By Theorem 2.1 ii) the sequence $x_{0}=0.25, x_{n+1}=\bar{f}_{\gamma}\left(x_{n}\right)$ with $\gamma=-0.1$ is s-decreasing and convergent to $\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}$; the same is true for any $x_{0} \in\left(\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}, 0.25\right)$, so in the discrete dynamical system $\left[\left[\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}, 0.25\right], \bar{f}_{-0.1}\right]$ the fixed point $\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}$ is monotonously attracting from above.
The trajectory of $x_{0}=0.25$ in this dynamical system is stabilized as

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \{0.25,0.09,-0.10,-0.31,-0.52,-0.72,-0.89,-1.02,-1.11,-1.18,-1.22, \\
& -1.24,-1.26,-1.27,-1.27,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28, \ldots\} .
\end{aligned}
$$

In the discrete dynamical system $\left[[-1.45,0.25], \bar{f}_{-0.1}\right]$ the fixed point $\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}$ is monotonously stable, since it is monotonously attractive both from below and from above.

By Theorem 2.1 i) the sequence $x_{0}=0.25, x_{n+1}=\bar{f}_{\gamma}\left(x_{n}\right)$ with $\gamma=0.1$ is $s$-increasing and convergent to $\frac{-1+\sqrt{17}}{4}$; the same is true for any $x_{0} \in\left(0.25, \frac{-1+\sqrt{17}}{4}\right)$, so in the discrete dynamical system $\left[\left[0.25, \frac{-1+\sqrt{17}}{4}\right], \bar{f}_{0.1}\right]$ the fixed point $\frac{-1+\sqrt{17}}{4}$ is monotonously attracting from below.
The trajectory of $x_{0}=0.25$ in this dynamical system is stabilized as

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \{0.25,0.41,0.54,0.63,0.68,0.72,0.75,0.76,0.77,0.77,0.78, \\
& 0.78,0.78,0.78,0.78,0.78,0.78, \ldots\} .
\end{aligned}
$$

By Theorem 2.3 iii) the sequence $x_{0}=-1.45, x_{n+1}=\tilde{f}_{\gamma}\left(x_{n}\right)=x_{n}+$ $\gamma x_{n}\left(f\left(x_{n}\right)-x_{n}\right)$ with $\gamma=-0.05$ is s-decreasing and convergent to $-\frac{3}{2}$; the same is true for any $x_{0} \in\left(-\frac{3}{2},-1.45\right)$, so in the discrete dynamical system $\left[\left[-\frac{3}{2},-1.45\right], \widetilde{f}_{-0.05}\right]$ the fixed point $-\frac{3}{2}$ is monotonously attracting from above. The trajectory of $x_{0}=-1.45$ in this dynamical system is stabilized as

$$
\{-1.45,-1.48,-1.49,-1.49,-1.50,-1.50,-1.50,-1.50,-1.50,-1.50, \ldots\} .
$$

By Theorem 2.3 iv ) the sequence $x_{0}=-1.45, x_{n+1}=\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}\left(x_{n}\right)$ with $\gamma=0.05$ is s-increasing and convergent to $\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}$; the same is true for any $x_{0} \in\left(-1.45, \frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}\right)$, so in the discrete dynamical system $\left[\left[-1.45, \frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}\right], \tilde{f}_{0.05}\right]$ the fixed point $\frac{-1-\sqrt{17}}{4}$ is monotonously attracting from below.
The trajectory of $x_{0}=-1.45$ in this dynamical system is stabilized as

$$
\begin{gathered}
\{-1.45,-1.42,-1.39,-1.36,-1.33,-1.32,-1.31,-1.30,-1.30,-1.29 \\
-1.29,-1.29,-1.29,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28,-1.28, \ldots\} .
\end{gathered}
$$

Figures 3 and 4 show the graphs of $\bar{f}_{\gamma}, \bar{f}_{\gamma}^{5}$, for $\gamma=-0.1$ and for $\gamma=0.1$, respectively. Figures 5 and 6 show the graphs of $\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}, \widetilde{f}_{\gamma}^{5}$, for $\gamma=-0.05$ and for $\gamma=0.05$, respectively.


Figure 1. The graph of $f$


Figure 3. The graphs of $\bar{f}_{\gamma}$ and $\bar{f}_{\gamma^{\prime}}^{5} \gamma=-0.1$


Figure 2. The graph of $f^{3}$


Figure 4. The graphs of $\bar{f}_{\gamma}$ and $\bar{f}_{\gamma}^{5} \gamma=0.1$


Figure 5. The graphs of $\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}$ and $\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}^{5}, \gamma=-0.05$


Figure 6. The graphs of $\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}$ and $\widetilde{f}_{\gamma}^{5}, \gamma=0.05$

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