# FIXED POINT VARIATIONAL SOLUTIONS FOR UNIFORMLY CONTINUOUS PSEUDOCONTRACTIONS IN BANACH SPACES

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Let *E* be a reflexive Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm, let *K* be a nonempty closed convex subset of *E*, and let  $T: K \to K$  be a uniformly continuous pseudocontraction. If  $f: K \to K$  is any contraction map on *K* and if every nonempty closed convex and bounded subset of *K* has the fixed point property for nonexpansive self-mappings, then it is shown, under appropriate conditions on the sequences of real numbers  $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\mu_n\}$ , that the iteration process  $z_1 \in K$ ,  $z_{n+1} = \mu_n(\alpha_n T z_n + (1 - \alpha_n) z_n) + (1 - \mu_n)f(z_n), n \in \mathbb{N}$ , strongly converges to the fixed point of *T*, which is the unique solution of some variational inequality, provided that *K* is bounded.

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## 1. Introduction

Let *E* be a real Banach space with dual  $E^*$  and *K* a nonempty closed convex subset of *E*. Let  $J : E \to 2^{E^*}$  denote the *normalized duality mapping* defined by  $J(x) := \{f \in E^* : \langle x, f \rangle = ||x||^2, ||f|| = ||x||, x \in E\}$  where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the *generalized duality pairing*. Following Morales [6], a mapping *T* with domain D(T) and range  $\Re(T)$  in *E* is called *strongly pseudocontractive* if for some constant k < 1 and  $\forall x, y \in D(T)$ ,

$$(\lambda - k) \|x - y\| \le \left\| (\lambda I - T)(x) - (\lambda I - T)(y) \right\|$$

$$(1.1)$$

for all  $\lambda > k$ ; while *T* is called a *pseudocontraction* if (1.1) holds for k = 1. The mapping *T* is called *Lipschitz* if there exists  $L \ge 0$  such that  $||Tx - Ty|| \le L||x - y||$ ,  $\forall x, y \in D(T)$ . The mapping *T* is called *nonexpansive* if L = 1 and is called a *(strict) contraction* if L < 1. Every nonexpansive mapping is a pseudocontraction. The converse is not true. The example,  $T(x) = 1 - x^{2/3}, 0 \le x \le 1$ , is a continuous pseudocontraction which is not nonexpansive. It follows from a result of Kato [3] that *T* is pseudocontractive if and only if there exists  $j(x - y) \in J(x - y)$  such that  $\langle Tx - Ty, j(x - y) \rangle \le ||x - y||^2$ ,  $\forall x, y \in D(T)$ .

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In [9], Schu introduced the iterative process (1.2) below and proved the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.1 [9, Theorem 2.4, page 113]. Let *K* be a nonempty, closed convex, and bounded subset of a Hilbert space *H*; let  $T: K \to K$  be a Lipschitz pseudocontractive map with Lipschitz constant  $L \ge 0$ ;  $\{\lambda_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \subset (0,1)$  with  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \lambda_n = 1$ ;  $\{\alpha_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}} \subset (0,1)$  with  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = 0$  such that  $(\{\alpha_n\}, \{\mu_n\})$  has property (A),  $\{(1-\mu_n)(1-\lambda_n)^{-1}\}$  is bounded, and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} (1-\mu_n)/\alpha_n = 0$ , where  $k_n := (1+\alpha_n^2(1+L)^2)^{1/2}$  and  $\mu_n := \lambda_n/k_n$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ; fix an arbitrary point  $w \in K$ , and define that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$z_{n+1} := \mu_{n+1}(\alpha_n T z_n + (1 - \alpha_n) z_n) + (1 - \mu_{n+1})w.$$
(1.2)

Then  $\{z_n\}_n$  converges strongly to the unique fixed point of T closest to w.

Here the pair of sequences  $(\{\alpha_n\}_n, \{\mu_n\}_n) \subset (0, \infty) \times (0, 1)$  is said to have *property* (A) if and only if the following conditions hold.

- (i)'  $\{\alpha_n\}_n$  is decreasing;
- (ii)'  $\{\mu_n\}_n$  is strictly increasing;
- (iii)' There exists a strictly increasing sequence  $\{\beta_n\}_n \subset \mathbb{N}$  such that
  - (a)'  $\lim_{n \to \infty} (\alpha_n \alpha_{n+\beta_n})/(1 \mu_n) = 0;$
  - (b)'  $\lim_{n \to \infty} (1 \mu_{n+\beta_n})(1 \mu_n)^{-1} = 1;$
  - (c)'  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n (1 \mu_n) = \infty$ .

The first iterative process of this nature was introduced by Halpern [2]: for any fixed  $w \in K$  and arbitrary  $z_0 \in K$ ,

$$z_{n+1} = \mu_n T z_n + (1 - \mu_n) w, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$
(1.3)

where  $\{\mu_n\}$  is a sequence in (0, 1) with  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \mu_n = 1$ .

In [8], Moudafi proposed a viscosity approximation method of selecting a particular fixed point of a given nonexpansive mapping in Hilbert spaces, where he proved the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.2 [8, Theorem 2.2, page 48]. Let H be a Hilbert space, let  $T: K \to K$  be a nonexpansive self-mapping of a nonempty closed convex subset K of H, and let  $f: K \to K$  be a contraction. With an initial  $z_0 \in K$ , define the sequence  $\{z_n\}$  by

$$z_{n+1} = \frac{1}{1+\epsilon_n} T z_n + \frac{\epsilon_n}{1+\epsilon_n} f(z_n).$$
(1.4)

Supposed that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \epsilon_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \epsilon_n = \infty$ , and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} |1/\epsilon_{n+1} - 1/\epsilon_n| = 0$ . Then  $\{z_n\}$  converges strongly to the unique solution of the variational inequality:

find 
$$\widetilde{x} \in F(T)$$
 such that  $\langle (I - f)\widetilde{x}, \widetilde{x} - x \rangle \le 0, \quad \forall x \in F(T),$  (1.5)

(*i.e.*, the unique solution of the operator  $\operatorname{Proj}_{F(T)} \circ f$ ).

Xu [12] extended Theorem 1.2 to the more general *uniformly smooth* Banach spaces. If  $\Pi_K$  denotes the set of all contractions on *K*, he proved the following theorem.

THEOREM 1.3 [12, Theorem 4.2, page 289]. Let *E* be a uniformly smooth Banach space, *K* a closed convex subset of *E*, and  $T: K \to K$  a nonexpansive mapping with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ , and  $f \in \Pi_K$ . Assume that  $\{\alpha_n\} \subset (0,1)$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (i)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = 0;$
- (ii)  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty$ ;

(iii) either  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_{n+1}/\alpha_n = 1$  or  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < \infty$ .

*Then the sequence*  $\{z_n\}$  *generated by*  $z_0 \in K$ *,* 

$$z_{n+1} := \alpha_n f(z_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) T z_n, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$
(1.6)

converges strongly to Q(f), where  $Q: \Pi_K \to F(T)$  is defined by  $Q(f) := \sigma - \lim_{t\to 0} x_t$ , with  $x_t$  satisfying

$$x_t = tTx_t + (1-t)f(x_t).$$
(1.7)

Let *K* be a nonempty closed convex and bounded subset of a real reflexive Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm. Further to Theorems 1.2 and 1.3, the purpose of this paper is to use the following iteration process:  $z_1 \in K$ ,

$$z_{n+1} = \mu_n (\alpha_n T z_n + (1 - \alpha_n) z_n) + (1 - \mu_n) f(z_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$
(1.8)

where  $\{\mu_n\}_n, \{\alpha_n\}_n$  are sequences in (0, 1) and  $f : K \to K$  is a contraction map, to approximate the fixed point of a uniformly continuous pseudocontraction, which solves some variational inequality. If the map f is a constant map then we recover the iteration process (1.2) from (1.8).

### 2. Preliminaries

Let *E* be a real normed linear space and let  $S := \{x \in E : ||x|| = 1\}$ . *E* is said to have a *Gâteaux differentiable* norm and *E* is called *smooth* if the limit

$$\lim_{t \to 0} \frac{\|x + ty\| - \|x\|}{t} \tag{2.1}$$

exists for each  $x, y \in S$ . *E* is said to have a *uniformly Gâteaux differentiable* norm if for each  $y \in S$  the limit is attained uniformly for  $x \in S$ .

The modulus of smoothness of E is defined by

$$\rho_E(\tau) := \sup\left\{\frac{\|x+y\| + \|x-y\|}{2} - 1 : \|x\| = 1, \|y\| = \tau\right\}, \quad \tau > 0.$$
(2.2)

*E* is equivalently said to be smooth if  $\rho_E(\tau) > 0 \ \forall \tau > 0$ . Every uniformly smooth Banach space is a reflexive Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm. An example given in [7] illustrates that this inclusion is proper.

Let *E* be a linear space and let *K* be a subset of *E*. Then, for any  $x \in K$ , the set  $I_K(x) = \{x + \lambda(z - x) : z \in K, \lambda \ge 1\}$  is called the *inward set* of *x*. A mapping  $T : K \to E$  is said to satisfy the *inward condition* if  $Tx \in I_K(x)$  for each  $x \in K$ , and is said to satisfy the *weakly inward condition* if  $Tx \in cl[I_K(x)]$ , the closure of  $I_K(x)$ , for each  $x \in K$ .

We will let LIM be a Banach limit. Recall that  $\lim_{n \to \infty} E(\ell^{\infty})^*$  such that  $\|\text{LIM}\| = 1$ ,  $\liminf_{n \to \infty} a_n \le \lim_{n \to \infty} a_n$ , and  $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} a_{n+1}$  for all  $\{a_n\}_n \in \ell^{\infty}$ .

The modulus of uniform continuity,  $\delta(\epsilon)$ , of T is defined for all  $\epsilon > 0$  by

$$\delta(\epsilon) = \sup\{\lambda : \|x - y\| < \lambda \Longrightarrow \|Tx - Ty\| < \epsilon\}$$
(2.3)

and  $\delta(0) = 0$ . By [4, Proposition 3],  $\delta(\epsilon)$  is nondecreasing,  $0 \le \delta(\epsilon) \le \infty$ , and  $\delta(||Tx - Ty||) \le ||x - y||$ , for all  $x, y \in E$ . Furthermore, [4, Propositions 1 and 2] assert that the function

$$\phi(t) = \sup\{s : \delta(s) \le t\}$$
(2.4)

called the *pseudo-inverse* of  $\delta$  is nondecreasing and right continuous,  $0 \le \phi(t) \le \infty$  for  $t \ge 0$  and  $||Tx - Ty|| \le \phi(||x - y||) \quad \forall x, y \in E$ .

The following lemmas will be needed in the sequel. Lemma 2.1 is well known, (see, e.g., [7]). The proof of Lemma 2.2 can be deduced from [11, Lemma 2.5].

LEMMA 2.1. Let E be an arbitrary real Banach space. Then

$$\|x+y\|^{2} \le \|x\|^{2} + 2\langle y, j(x+y) \rangle, \tag{2.5}$$

for all  $x, y \in E$  and for all  $j(x + y) \in J(x + y)$ .

LEMMA 2.2. Let  $\{a_n\}_n$  be a sequence of nonnegative real numbers such that

$$a_{n+1} \le (1 - \alpha_n)a_n + \alpha_n\beta_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$
(2.6)

where  $\{\alpha_n\}_n \subset [0,1], \{\beta_n\}_n \subset [0,1], and \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = \infty, \lim_{n \to \infty} \beta_n = 0$ . Then,  $\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = 0$ .

Lemma 2.3, Proposition 2.4, and Lemma 2.5 that follow appear in [10]. For completeness, we present also their proofs.

LEMMA 2.3. Let *E* be a Banach space. Suppose *K* is a nonempty closed convex subset of *E* and  $T: K \to E$  is a continuous pseudocontraction satisfying the weakly inward condition. Then for each contraction map  $f: K \to K$ , with contraction constant  $\alpha \in [0,1)$ , there exists a unique continuous path  $t \to x_t \in K$ ,  $t \in [0,1)$  satisfying

$$x_t = tTx_t + (1-t)f(x_t).$$
(2.7)

*Proof.* Let  $f : K \to K$  be a contraction map with constant  $\alpha \in [0,1)$ . Then, for each  $t \in [0,1)$ , the mapping  $T_t^f : K \to E$  defined by  $T_t^f(x) = tTx + (1-t)f(x)$  is a continuous strong pseudocontraction with constant  $t + (1-t)\alpha \in [0,1)$ , which satisfies the weakly inward condition. By [1, Corollary 1],  $T_t^f$  has a unique fixed point  $x_t \in K$ , that is,

$$x_t = tTx_t + (1-t)f(x_t).$$
 (2.8)

To prove the continuity of the path, we follow the same line of arguments as in [7]. Let  $t_0 \in [0,1)$ . Then for all  $j(x_t - x_{t_0}) \in J(x_t - x_{t_0})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} ||x_{t} - x_{t_{0}}||^{2} &= t \langle Tx_{t} - Tx_{t_{0}}, j(x_{t} - x_{t_{0}}) \rangle + (1 - t) \langle f(x_{t}) - f(x_{t_{0}}), j(x_{t} - x_{t_{0}}) \rangle \\ &+ (t - t_{0}) \langle Tx_{t_{0}} - f(x_{t_{0}}), j(x_{t} - x_{t_{0}}) \rangle \\ &\leq (t + (1 - t)\alpha) ||x_{t} - x_{t_{0}}||^{2} + |t - t_{0}| ||Tx_{t_{0}} - f(x_{t_{0}})|| ||x_{t} - x_{t_{0}}||, \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.9)$$

so that  $||x_t - x_{t_0}|| \le (|t - t_0|/(1 - t)(1 - \alpha))||Tx_{t_0} - f(x_{t_0})||$ . Hence the proof.

**PROPOSITION 2.4.** Let *E* be a Banach space and let *K* be a nonempty closed convex subset of *E*. Let the mapping  $T: K \to E$  be a pseudocontraction such that for each contraction map,  $f: K \to K$  with contraction constant  $\alpha \in [0,1)$ , the equation

$$x = tTx + (1 - t)f(x)$$
(2.10)

has a solution  $x_t$  for every  $t \in [0,1)$ . Then the following hold.

- (i) If for some u ∈ K, the path y<sub>t</sub> = tTy<sub>t</sub> + (1 − t)u is bounded, then for any contraction map f : K → K, the path {x<sub>t</sub>} described by (2.7) is bounded.
- (ii) If T has a fixed point in K, then the path  $\{x_t\}$  is bounded.
- (iii) If  $x^* \in F(T)$ , then for all  $j(x_t x^*) \in J(x_t x^*)$ ,

$$\langle x_t - f(x_t), j(x_t - x^*) \rangle \le 0.$$
 (2.11)

(iv) If  $0 \le s \le t < 1$  then

$$||x_t - Tx_t|| \le \frac{1+\alpha}{1-\alpha}||x_s - Tx_s||.$$
 (2.12)

*Proof.* (i) Let the path  $\{y_t\}$  given by  $y_t = tTy_t + (1 - t)u$ , for some  $u \in K$ , be bounded. Then the set  $\{f(y_t)\}$  is bounded. Let  $j(x_t - y_t) \in J(x_t - y_t)$ . From the estimates

$$||x_{t} - y_{t}||^{2} = t \langle Tx_{t} - Ty_{t}, j(x_{t} - y_{t}) \rangle + (1 - t) \langle f(x_{t}) - u, j(x_{t} - y_{t}) \rangle$$
  

$$\leq t ||x_{t} - y_{t}||^{2} + (1 - t) ||f(x_{t}) - u||||x_{t} - y_{t}||,$$
(2.13)

we have that  $||x_t - y_t|| \le ||f(x_t) - u|| \le \alpha ||x_t - y_t|| + ||f(y_t) - u||$ . Thus,

$$||x_t - y_t|| \le \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} ||f(y_t) - u||.$$
(2.14)

Hence,  $\{x_t\}$  is bounded.

(ii) Let  $x^* \in F(T)$ , and let  $j(x_t - x^*) \in J(x_t - x^*)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} ||x_{t} - x^{*}||^{2} &= t \langle Tx_{t} - x^{*}, j(x_{t} - x^{*}) \rangle + (1 - t) \langle f(x_{t}) - x^{*}, j(x_{t} - x^{*}) \rangle \\ &\leq t ||x_{t} - x^{*}||^{2} + (1 - t)||f(x_{t}) - x^{*}||||x_{t} - x^{*}|| \end{aligned}$$
(2.15)

so that  $||x_t - x^*|| \le ||f(x_t) - x^*|| \le \alpha ||x_t - x^*|| + ||f(x^*) - x^*||$ . Thus,

$$||x_t - x^*|| \le \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} ||f(x^*) - x^*||.$$
 (2.16)

Hence,  $\{x_t\}$  is bounded.

(iii) Let  $x^* \in F(T)$ , and let  $j(x_t - x^*) \in J(x_t - x^*)$ . Then

$$\langle x_{t} - f(x_{t}), j(x_{t} - x^{*}) \rangle$$
  
=  $t \langle Tx_{t} - f(x_{t}), j(x_{t} - x^{*}) \rangle = t \langle Tx_{t} - x^{*}, j(x_{t} - x^{*}) \rangle$   
+  $t \langle x^{*} - f(x_{t}), j(x_{t} - x^{*}) \rangle \leq t \langle x_{t} - f(x_{t}), j(x_{t} - x^{*}) \rangle.$  (2.17)

Thus,  $\langle x_t - f(x_t), j(x_t - x^*) \rangle \leq 0.$ 

(iv) Let  $0 \le s \le t < 1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} ||x_{t} - Tx_{t}|| &= \frac{1-t}{t} ||x_{t} - f(x_{t})|| \\ &\leq \frac{1-t}{t} \Big[ (1+\alpha) ||x_{t} - x_{s}|| + \frac{s}{1-s} ||x_{s} - Tx_{s}|| \Big] \\ &\leq \frac{1-t}{t} \Big[ \frac{(1+\alpha)(t-s)}{(1-\alpha)(1-t)(1-s)} + \frac{s}{1-s} \Big] ||x_{s} - Tx_{s}|| \\ &\leq \frac{(1+\alpha)(1-t)}{(1-\alpha)t} \Big[ \frac{t-s}{(1-t)(1-s)} + \frac{s}{1-s} \Big] ||x_{s} - Tx_{s}|| \\ &= \frac{1+\alpha}{1-\alpha} ||x_{s} - Tx_{s}||. \end{aligned}$$
(2.18)

LEMMA 2.5. Let *E* be a reflexive Banach space with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm, let *K* be a nonempty closed convex subset of *E*, let  $T : K \to E$  be a continuous pseudocontraction satisfying the weakly inward condition, and let  $f : K \to K$  be a contraction map with constant  $\alpha \in [0,1)$ . Suppose that every nonempty closed convex and bounded subset of *K* has the fixed point property (f.p.p.) for nonexpansive self-mappings. If there exists  $u_0 \in K$ such that the set

$$B = \{x \in K : Tx = u_0 + \lambda(x - u_0) \text{ for some } \lambda > 1\}$$

$$(2.19)$$

is bounded, then the path  $\{x_t\}$ ,  $t \in [0,1)$  described by (2.7) converges strongly to the fixed point of *T*, which is the unique solution of the variational inequality

$$p \in F(T)$$
 such that  $\langle p - f(p), j(p - x^*) \rangle \le 0, \quad x^* \in F(T).$  (2.20)

*Proof.* It follows from Lemma 2.3 that for each contraction map  $f : K \to K$  there exists a unique continuous path  $t \to x_t \in K$ ,  $t \in [0,1)$  satisfying (2.7). Let there exists  $u_0 \in K$  such that the set *B* is bounded. Then by Proposition 2.4(i), the path  $\{x_t\}$  described by (2.7) is bounded. It is easy to see that this implies that the set  $\{f(x_t) : t \in [0,1)\}$  is

bounded. The boundedness of the set  $\{Tx_t : t \in [0,1)\}$  follows from Proposition 2.4(iv). Let  $\sup_{t \in [0,1)} ||x_t|| \le M$ . Then  $||x_t - x_s|| \le 2M$  for any  $t, s \in [0,1)$ . Set  $x_n = x_{t_n}$  for  $t_n \to 1^-$ . Define  $\psi : K \to \mathbb{R}$  by  $\psi(x) = \underset{n}{\text{LIM}} ||x_n - x||^2 \quad \forall x \in K$ . Since *E* is reflexive,  $\psi$  is convex, continuous and  $\psi(x) \to \infty$  as  $||x|| \to \infty$ , we have that the set  $C := \{y \in K : \psi(y) = \inf_{x \in K} \psi(x)\}$  is nonempty, closed and convex. We show that *C* is bounded. Let  $y \in C$ . Then  $\psi(y) \le \underset{n}{\text{LIM}} ||x_n - x_0||^2 \le 4M^2$ , where  $x_0 \equiv x_{t_0}$ . Applying the convexity of the functional  $(1/2)|| \cdot ||^2 : K \to \mathbb{R}$ , we deduce that

$$\|y\|^{2} \leq 2 \underset{n}{\text{LIM}} \|x_{n} - y\|^{2} + 2 \underset{n}{\text{LIM}} \|x_{n}\|^{2} \leq 2\psi(y) + 2M^{2} \leq 10M^{2},$$
(2.21)

that is,  $||y|| \le \sqrt{10}M$ ,  $\forall y \in C$ . Thus, *C* is bounded. The mapping  $J_1 = (2I - T)^{-1}$  is a nonexpansive self-mapping of *K* (see [5, Theorem 6]). *C* is invariant under  $J_1$ . Indeed, let  $y \in C$ . Then

$$\psi(J_{1}(y)) = \underset{n}{\text{LIM}} ||x_{n} - J_{1}(y)||^{2} \le \underset{n}{\text{LIM}} (||x_{n} - J_{1}(x_{n})|| + ||x_{n} - y||)^{2}$$
  
$$\le \underset{n}{\text{LIM}} (||x_{n} - Tx_{n}|| + ||x_{n} - y||)^{2} = \underset{n}{\text{LIM}} ||x_{n} - y||^{2} = \psi(y).$$
(2.22)

By hypothesis,  $J_1$  has a fixed point  $p \in C$ . Thus, Tp = p. Let  $\tau \in (0,1)$ . Then  $\psi(p) \le \psi((1-\tau)p + \tau x)$ ,  $x \in K$ , and using Lemma 2.1, we have that  $0 \le (\psi((1-\tau)p + \tau x) - \psi(p))/\tau \le -2\text{LIM}\langle x - p, j(x_n - p - \tau(x - p)) \rangle$ . Thus

$$\lim_{n} \langle x - p, j(x_n - p - \tau(x - p)) \rangle \le 0.$$
(2.23)

Since, in this setting, *J* is norm-to-weak<sup>\*</sup> uniformly continuous on bounded sets, letting  $\tau \rightarrow 0$ , we have that

$$\lim_{n} \langle x - p, j(x_n - p) \rangle \le 0, \quad x \in K.$$
(2.24)

In particular,

$$\lim_{n} \langle f(p) - p, j(x_n - p) \rangle \le 0.$$
(2.25)

Observe that

$$(1-\alpha)||x_n-p||^2 \le \langle x_n-f(x_n), j(x_n-p)\rangle + \langle f(p)-p, j(x_n-p)\rangle.$$
(2.26)

Using Proposition 2.4(iii) and (2.25), we have find that  $\lim_{n} ||x_n - p|| = 0$ . Therefore, there exists a subsequence  $\{x_{n_k}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_{n_k} \to p$  as  $k \to \infty$ . Assume that there is another subsequence  $\{x_{n_l}\}$  of  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_{n_l} \to q \in F(T)$  as  $l \to \infty$ . With  $x_{n_k} \to p$  and setting  $x^* = q$ , it follows from Proposition 2.4(iii) that

$$\left\langle p - f(p), j(p-q) \right\rangle \le 0. \tag{2.27}$$

Also, with  $x_{n_l} \rightarrow q$  and setting  $x^* = p$  in Proposition 2.4(iii), we have that

$$\left\langle q - f(q), j(q - p) \right\rangle \le 0. \tag{2.28}$$

Inequalities (2.27) and (2.28) yield that

$$\|p - q\|^{2} \le \langle f(p) - f(q), j(p - q) \rangle \le \alpha \|p - q\|^{2},$$
(2.29)

which implies that p = q, since  $\alpha \in [0, 1)$ . Thus,  $x_n \to p$  as  $n \to \infty$  and  $p \in F(T)$  is unique. Again, using Proposition 2.4(iii), we observe that

$$\langle p - f(p), j(p - x^*) \rangle \le 0, \quad \forall x^* \in F(T).$$
 (2.30)

Hence, p is the unique solution of the variational inequality (2.20). This concludes the proof of Lemma 2.5.

#### 3. Main results

In the results that follow, if the map *T* is uniformly continuous and  $\delta(\epsilon)$  denotes the modulus of continuity of *T*, we will let  $\phi$  denote the pseudoinverse of  $\delta$  and will assume that the set { $\phi(t)/t : 0 < t < 1$ } is bounded. Observe that if *T* is Lipschitz, then it is clear that the set { $\phi(t)/t : 0 < t < 1$ } is bounded.

THEOREM 3.1. Let K be a nonempty closed convex and bounded subset of a real Banach space E. Let  $T: K \to K$  be a uniformly continuous pseudocontraction and let  $f: K \to K$  be a contraction map with contraction constant  $\alpha \in [0,1)$ . Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a sequence generated from an arbitrary  $z_1 \in K$  by (1.8), where  $\{\mu_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  are real sequences in (0,1) satisfying the following conditions:

(i)  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is decreasing and  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n = 0$ ;

- (ii)  $\lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_n = 1$  and  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1 \mu_n) = \infty$ ;
- (iii) (a)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} (1-\mu_n)/\alpha_n = 0$ ,
  - (b)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} \alpha_n^2/(1-\mu_n) = 0$ ,
    - (c)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} |\mu_n \mu_{n-1}|/(1-\mu_n)^2 = 0$ ,
    - (d)  $\lim_{n\to\infty} (\alpha_{n-1} \alpha_n) / \alpha_{n-1} (1 \mu_n) = 0.$

Then  $||z_n - Tz_n|| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

*Proof.* We first prove that  $||z_n - x_n|| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , where  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence satisfying (2.7).

Set  $t_n = \alpha_n/(1 - \mu_n + \alpha_n)$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $t_n \in (0, 1)$  for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . By the given condition (iii)(a),  $t_n \to 1$  as  $n \to \infty$ . It follows from Lemma 2.3 that there exists a unique sequence  $\{x_n\} \subset K$  satisfying the following conditions:

$$x_n = t_n T x_n + (1 - t_n) f(x_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

$$(3.1)$$

Equation (3.1) can be rewritten as follows:

$$x_n = \mu_n (\alpha_n T x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) x_n) + (1 - \mu_n) f(x_n) + (1 - \mu_n) \alpha_n (T x_n - x_n).$$
(3.2)

Using the pseudocontractivity of *T*, we make the following estimates:

$$\begin{aligned} ||z_{n+1} - x_n||^2 &= \mu_n \alpha_n \langle Tz_n - Tx_n, j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle + \mu_n (1 - \alpha_n) \langle z_n - x_n, j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle \\ &+ (1 - \mu_n) \langle f(z_n) - f(x_n), j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle \\ &+ (1 - \mu_n) \alpha_n \langle x_n - Tx_n, j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle \\ &= \mu_n \alpha_n \langle Tz_{n+1} - Tx_n, j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle + \mu_n \alpha_n \langle Tz_n - Tz_{n+1}, j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle \\ &+ \mu_n (1 - \alpha_n) \langle z_n - x_n, j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle \\ &+ (1 - \mu_n) \langle f(z_n) - f(x_n), j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle \\ &+ (1 - \mu_n) \alpha_n \langle x_n - Tx_n, j(z_{n+1} - x_n) \rangle \\ &\leq \mu_n \alpha_n ||z_{n+1} - x_n||^2 + \mu_n \alpha_n ||Tz_n - Tz_{n+1}|| ||z_{n+1} - x_n|| \\ &+ \mu_n (1 - \alpha_n) ||z_n - x_n|| ||z_{n+1} - x_n|| + (1 - \mu_n) ||f(z_n) - f(x_n)||||z_{n+1} - x_n|| \\ &+ (1 - \mu_n) \alpha_n ||x_n - Tx_n|| ||z_{n+1} - x_n||. \end{aligned}$$
(3.3)

Thus, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} ||z_{n+1} - x_n|| &\leq \mu_n \alpha_n ||z_{n+1} - x_n|| + \mu_n \alpha_n ||Tz_n - Tz_{n+1}|| \\ &+ [\mu_n (1 - \alpha_n) + (1 - \mu_n) \alpha] ||z_n - x_n|| + (1 - \mu_n) \alpha_n ||x_n - Tx_n|| \\ &\leq \mu_n \alpha_n ||z_{n+1} - x_n|| + \mu_n \alpha_n \phi(||z_n - z_{n+1}||) \\ &+ [\mu_n (1 - \alpha_n) + (1 - \mu_n) \alpha] ||z_n - x_n|| + (1 - \mu_n) \alpha_n ||x_n - Tx_n||, \end{aligned}$$
(3.4)

so that

$$\begin{aligned} ||z_{n+1} - x_n|| &\leq \left[1 - \frac{(1 - \alpha)(1 - \mu_n)}{1 - \alpha_n \mu_n}\right] ||z_n - x_{n-1}|| + ||x_{n-1} - x_n|| \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_n}{1 - \alpha_n \mu_n} \phi(||z_n - z_{n+1}||) + \frac{(1 - \mu_n)\alpha_n}{1 - \alpha_n \mu_n} ||x_n - Tx_n||. \end{aligned}$$
(3.5)

Since the mapping  $\widetilde{J}_n := [I + (\alpha_n/(1 - \mu_n))(I - T)]^{-1}$  is nonexpansive and  $x_n = \widetilde{J}_n(f(x_n))$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} ||x_{n} - x_{n-1}|| &= ||\widetilde{f}_{n}(f(x_{n})) - x_{n-1}|| = ||\widetilde{f}_{n}(f(x_{n})) - \widetilde{f}_{n}(f(x_{n-1})) + \widetilde{f}_{n}(f(x_{n-1})) - x_{n-1}|| \\ &\leq ||f(x_{n}) - f(x_{n-1})|| + ||\widetilde{f}_{n}(f(x_{n-1})) - x_{n-1}|| \\ &\leq \alpha ||x_{n} - x_{n-1}|| + ||\widetilde{f}_{n}(f(x_{n-1})) - x_{n-1}||, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.6)$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} ||x_{n} - x_{n-1}|| &\leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} ||\widetilde{f}_{n}(f(x_{n-1})) - x_{n-1}|| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} ||f(x_{n-1}) - \left[x_{n-1} + \frac{\alpha_{n}}{1 - \mu_{n}}(x_{n-1} - Tx_{n-1})\right]|| \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \left|\frac{\alpha_{n-1}}{1 - \mu_{n-1}} - \frac{\alpha_{n}}{1 - \mu_{n}}\right| ||x_{n-1} - Tx_{n-1}|| \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \left|1 - \frac{\alpha_{n}}{1 - \mu_{n}}\frac{1 - \mu_{n-1}}{\alpha_{n-1}}\right| ||f(x_{n-1}) - x_{n-1}|| \\ &= \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \left|\frac{(\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_{n})(1 - \mu_{n}) + \alpha_{n}(\mu_{n-1} - \mu_{n})}{\alpha_{n-1}(1 - \mu_{n})}\right| ||f(x_{n-1}) - x_{n-1}|| \end{aligned}$$
(3.7)

We estimate  $||z_n - z_{n+1}||$ . Let  $c := \sup_{n \ge 1} \{(1 - \mu_n)/\alpha_n\}$ . Since the sequences  $\{z_n\}$ ,  $\{x_n\}$  and the set  $\{\phi(t)/t : 0 < t < 1\}$  are bounded, let  $||z_n - Tz_n|| \le M$ ,  $||x_n - Tx_n|| \le M$ ,  $||f(z_n) - z_n|| \le M$ ,  $||f(x_n) - x_n|| \le M \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sup\{\phi(t)/t : 0 < t < 1\} \le M$  for some constant M > 0. Then

$$||z_{n+1} - z_n|| = ||\mu_n \alpha_n (Tz_n - z_n) + (1 - \mu_n) (f(z_n) - z_n)||$$
  

$$\leq \alpha_n ||Tz_n - z_n|| + (1 - \mu_n) ||f(z_n) - z_n||$$
  

$$\leq [\alpha_n + (1 - \mu_n)]M \leq \alpha_n (1 + c)M,$$
(3.8)

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . It follows from (3.5) that

$$\begin{aligned} ||z_{n+1} - x_n|| &\leq \left[1 - \frac{(1 - \alpha)(1 - \mu_n)}{1 - \alpha_n \mu_n}\right] ||z_n - x_{n-1}|| + \frac{1}{1 - \alpha} \left[\frac{\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n}{\alpha_{n-1}} - \frac{|\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}|}{1 - \mu_n}\right] M \\ &+ \frac{\alpha_n}{1 - \alpha_n \mu_n} \phi(\alpha_n (1 + c)M) + \frac{(1 - \mu_n)\alpha_n}{1 - \alpha_n \mu_n} M. \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.9)$$

There exists  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $\alpha_n(1+c)M < 1 \forall n \ge N$ . Thus,

$$||z_{n+1} - x_n|| \leq \left[1 - \frac{(1-\alpha)(1-\mu_n)}{1-\alpha_n\mu_n}\right] ||z_n - x_{n-1}|| + \left[\frac{1}{1-\alpha} \left(\frac{\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n}{\alpha_{n-1}} - \frac{|\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}|}{1-\mu_n}\right) + \frac{\alpha_n^2(1+c)M}{1-\alpha_n\mu_n} + \frac{(1-\mu_n)\alpha_n}{1-\alpha_n\mu_n}\right] M, \quad \forall n \geq N.$$
(3.10)

Set  $\beta_n := (1 - \alpha)(1 - \mu_n)/(1 - \alpha_n \mu_n)$  and  $\gamma_n := (1/(1 - \alpha))((\alpha_{n-1} - \alpha_n)/\alpha_{n-1} - |\mu_n - \mu_{n-1}|/(1 - \mu_n)) + \alpha_n^2(1 + c)M/(1 - \alpha_n \mu_n) + (1 - \mu_n)\alpha_n/(1 - \alpha_n \mu_n)$ . Then the inequality

$$||z_{n+1} - x_n|| \le (1 - \beta_n) ||z_n - x_{n-1}|| + \gamma_n M$$
(3.11)

follows. By the assumptions on the sequences of numbers  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\mu_n\}$  we find that  $\gamma_n = o(\beta_n)$ . Thus, by Lemma 2.2,  $\|z_{n+1} - x_n\| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , so that

$$||z_n - x_n|| \le ||z_n - z_{n+1}|| + ||z_{n+1} - x_n|| \longrightarrow 0$$
(3.12)

as  $n \to \infty$ .

Finally, we show that  $||z_n - Tz_n|| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ .

Since  $||x_n - Tx_n|| = (1 - \mu_n)/\alpha_n ||f(x_n) - x_n|| \le (1 - \mu_n)/\alpha_n M \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ , and since *T* is uniformly continuous, we have that

$$||z_n - Tz_n|| \le ||z_n - x_n|| + ||x_n - Tx_n|| + ||Tx_n - Tz_n|| \longrightarrow 0$$
(3.13)

as  $n \to \infty$ . Hence the proof of Theorem 3.1.

THEOREM 3.2. Let K be a nonempty closed convex and bounded subset of a real reflexive Banach space E with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm. Let  $T : K \to K$  be a uniformly continuous pseudocontraction and let  $f : K \to K$  be a contraction map. Suppose that every nonempty closed convex subset of K has the f.p.p. for nonexpansive self-mappings. Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a sequence generated from an arbitrary  $z_1 \in K$  by (1.8), where  $\{\mu_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  are real sequences in (0,1) satisfying the same conditions in Theorem 3.1. Then  $\{z_n\}$  converges strongly to the fixed point of T, which is the unique solution of the variational inequality (2.20).

*Proof.* By Lemmas 2.3 and 2.5, a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  given by  $x_n = t_n T x_n + (1 - t_n) f(x_n)$ , with  $t_n = \alpha_n/(1 - \mu_n + \alpha_n)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  exists and converges strongly to the fixed point of *T*, which is the unique solution of the variational inequality (2.20). From the proof of Theorem 3.1,  $||z_n - x_n|| \to 0$  as  $n \to \infty$ . Hence,  $\{z_n\}$  converges strongly to the same fixed point of *T*.  $\Box$ 

COROLLARY 3.3. Let K be a nonempty closed convex and bounded subset of a real Banach space E with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm. Let  $T : K \to K$  be a uniformly continuous pseudocontraction and let  $f : K \to K$  be a contraction map. Suppose that K has normal structure. Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a sequence generated from an arbitrary  $z_1 \in K$  by (1.8), where  $\{\mu_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  are real sequences in (0,1) satisfying the same conditions in Theorem 3.1. Then  $\{z_n\}$ converges strongly to the fixed point of T, which is the unique solution of the variational inequality (2.20).

COROLLARY 3.4. Let K be a nonempty closed convex and bounded subset of a real Banach space E with a uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm and let  $T : K \to K$  be a unformly continuous pseudocontraction. Suppose that every nonempty closed convex subset of K has the f.p.p. for nonexpansive self-mappings. Fix any  $w \in K$  and let  $\{z_n\}$  be a sequence generated from an arbitrary  $z_1 \in K$  by (1.2), where  $\{\mu_n\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$  are real sequences in (0,1) satisfying the same conditions in Theorem 3.1. Then  $\{z_n\}$  converges strongly to the fixed point of T, which is the unique solution of the variational inequality (2.20).

*Remarks 3.5.* (A) If the map *T* is assumed to be Lipschitz in the above results then the condition that the set *K* or the sequence  $\{z_n\}_n$  be bounded can be dropped. It is proved in [10] that, in this case, the sequence  $\{z_n\}_n$  is bounded.

(B) It is clear that the conditions on the iteration parameters  $\{\alpha_n\}$ ,  $\{\mu_n\}$  in Theorems 3.1, 3.2 and Corollaries 3.3, 3.4 are much simpler than those imposed on the parameters in Theorem 1.1. Examples of real sequences  $\{\mu_n\}$  and  $\{\alpha_n\}$  that satisfy the conditions (i), (ii), and (iii) of Theorem 3.1 are

$$\mu_n = 1 - (n+1)^{-1/2}$$
 and  $\alpha_n = (n+1)^{-1/3}$ , (3.14)

respectively.

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