



# Strong convergence of iterative methods by strictly pseudocontractive mappings in Banach spaces

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper we deal with fixed point computational problems by strongly convergent methods involving strictly pseudocontractive mappings in smooth Banach spaces. First, we prove that the  $S$ -iteration process recently introduced by Sahu in [14] converges strongly to a unique fixed point of a mapping  $T$ , where  $T$  is  $\kappa$ -strongly pseudocontractive mapping from a nonempty, closed and convex subset  $C$  of a smooth Banach space into itself. It is also shown that the hybrid steepest descent method converges strongly to a unique solution of a variational inequality problem with respect to a finite family of  $\lambda_i$ -strictly pseudocontractive mappings from  $C$  into itself. Our results extend and improve some very recent theorems in fixed point theory and variational inequality problems. Particularly, the results presented here extend some theorems of Reich (1980) [1] and Yamada (2001) [15] to a general class of  $\lambda$ -strictly pseudocontractive mappings in uniformly smooth Banach spaces.

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## 1. Introduction

It is well known that if  $C$  is a nonempty, closed and convex subset of a Hilbert space  $H$ , then the nearest point projection  $P_C$  from  $H$  onto  $C$  is the unique sunny nonexpansive retraction of  $H$  onto  $C$ . This is not true for all Banach spaces, since outside Hilbert space, nearest point projections, although sunny, are no longer nonexpansive. Thus, the following interesting problem arises.

**Problem 1.1.** For which subsets of a Banach space does a sunny nonexpansive retraction exist?

The first result in this direction in a uniformly smooth Banach space was established by Reich in [1]. The result of Reich can be restated for nonexpansive mappings with bounded domain as follows.

**Theorem 1.2.** Let  $C$  be a nonempty, closed, convex and bounded subset of a uniformly smooth Banach space  $X$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive operator. Then  $F(T) := \{x \in C : x = Tx\}$  is nonempty sunny nonexpansive retract of  $C$ . Moreover, if  $u \in C$  and  $z_t$  is the unique point in  $C$  defined by

$$z_t = tu + (1 - t)Tz_t, \quad t \in (0, 1), \quad (1.1)$$

then  $\{z_t\}$  converges strongly as  $t \rightarrow 0^+$  to  $Q_{F(T)}(u)$ , where  $Q_{F(T)}$  is the sunny nonexpansive retraction from  $C$  onto  $F(T)$ .

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