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# Strong Convergence of a New Iteration for a Finite Family of Accretive Operators

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The viscosity approximation methods are employed to establish strong convergence of the modified Mann iteration scheme to a common zero of a finite family of accretive operators on a strictly convex Banach space with uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm. Our work improves and extends various results existing in the current literature.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $E$  be a Banach space with dual space of  $E^*$ , and let  $C$  a nonempty closed convex subset  $E$ . Let  $N \geq 1$  be a positive integer, and let  $\Lambda = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ . We denote by  $J$  the normalized duality map from  $E$  to  $2^{E^*}$  defined by

$$J(x) = \left\{ x^* \in E^* : \langle x, x^* \rangle = \|x\|^2 = \|x^*\|^2, \forall x \in E \right\}. \quad (1.1)$$

A mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is said to be *nonexpansive* if  $\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$ , for all  $x, y \in C$ . A mapping  $f : C \rightarrow C$  is called *k-contraction* if there exists a constant  $k \in (0, 1)$  such that

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq k\|x - y\|, \quad \forall x, y \in C. \quad (1.2)$$

In the last ten years, many papers have been written on the approximation of fixed point for nonlinear mappings by using some iterative processes (see, e.g., [1–20]).

An operator  $A : D(A) \subset E \rightarrow E$  is said to be *accretive* if  $\|x_1 - x_2\| \leq \|x_1 - x_2 + s(y_1 - y_2)\|$ , for all  $y_i \in Ax_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  and  $s > 0$ . If  $A$  is accretive and  $I$  is identity mapping, then we define, for each  $r > 0$ , a nonexpansive single-valued mapping  $J_r : R(I + rA) \rightarrow D(A)$  by

$J_r := (I + rA)^{-1}$ , which is called the *resolvent* of  $A$ . we also know that for an accretive operator  $A$ ,  $\mathcal{N}(A) = \text{Fix}(J_r)$ , where  $\mathcal{N}(A) = \{x \in E : 0 \in Ax\}$  and  $\text{Fix}(J_r) = \{x \in E : J_r x = x\}$ . An accretive operator  $A$  is said to be *m-accretive*, if  $R(I+tA) = E$  for all  $t > 0$ . If  $E$  is a Hilbert space, then accretive operator is monotone operator. There are many papers throughout literature dealing with the solution of  $0 \in Ax$  ( $x \in E$ ) by utilizing certain iterative sequence (see [1–3, 8–10, 13, 16, 20]).

In 2005, Kim and Xu [10] introduced the following Halpern type iterative sequence for *m-accretive* operator  $A$ : Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $E$ . For any  $u, x_1 \in C$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is generated by

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n u + (1 - \alpha_n) J_{r_n} x_n, \quad n \geq 1, \quad (1.3)$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\} \subset [0, 1]$  and  $\{r_n\} \subset (\varepsilon, +\infty)$ , for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , satisfy the following conditions:

- (C1)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$ ,
- (C2)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n = +\infty$ ,
- (C3)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < +\infty$ , and
- (C4)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |1 - r_{n+1}/r_n| < +\infty$ .

They proved that the iterative sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a zero of  $A$ .

Recently, Zegeye and Shahzad [20] proved a strong convergence theorem for a finite family of accretive operators by using the Halpern type iteration: Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $E$ . For any  $u, x_1 \in C$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is generated by

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n u + (1 - \alpha_n) S x_n, \quad n \geq 1, \quad (1.4)$$

where  $S := a_0 I + a_1 J_{A_1} + \cdots + a_N J_{A_N}$  with  $J_{A_i} = (I + A_i)^{-1}$ ,  $a_i \in (0, 1)$ , for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$ ,  $\sum_{i=0}^N a_i = 1$ , and  $\{\alpha_n\} \subset (0, 1)$  satisfies the conditions: (C1), (C2), (C3), or (C3\*).  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| / \alpha_{n+1} = 0$ .

More recently, Hu and Liu [8] proposed a generalized Halpern type iteration: Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $E$ . For any  $u, x_1 \in C$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is generated by

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n u + \beta_n x_n + \gamma_n S_{r_n} x_n, \quad n \geq 1, \quad (1.5)$$

where  $S_{r_n} := a_0 I + a_1 J_{r_n}^1 + \cdots + a_N J_{r_n}^N$  with  $J_{r_n}^i = (I + r_n A_i)^{-1}$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ ,  $a_i \in (0, 1)$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^N a_i = 1$ . Assume  $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\}, \{\gamma_n\} \subset (0, 1)$ , and  $\{r_n\} \subset (0, +\infty)$  satisfy the following conditions: (C1), (C2),

$$0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < 1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = r, \quad \text{for some } r > 0, \quad \alpha_n + \beta_n + \gamma_n = 1. \quad (1.6)$$

They proved that the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a common zero of  $\{A_i : i \in \Lambda\}$ .

In this paper, we introduce and study a new iterative sequence: Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $E$  and  $f : C \rightarrow C$  a  $k$ -contraction. For any  $x_1 \in C$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is defined by

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n) S_{r_n} (\alpha_n f(x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) x_n), \quad n \geq 1, \quad (1.7)$$

where  $S_{r_n} := a_0I + a_1J_{r_n}^1 + \cdots + a_NJ_{r_n}^N$  with  $J_{r_n}^i = (I + r_nA_i)^{-1}$ , for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$ ,  $a_i \in (0, 1)$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^N a_i = 1$ ,  $\{r_n\} \subset (0, +\infty)$  and  $\{\alpha_n\}, \{\beta_n\} \subset (0, 1)$ . The iterative sequence (1.7) is a natural generalization of all the above mentioned iterative sequences.

- (i) In contrast to the iterations (1.3)–(1.5), the convex composition of the iteration (1.7) deals with only  $x_n$  instead of  $u$  and  $x_n$ .
- (ii) If we take  $\alpha_n \equiv 0$ , for all  $n \geq 1$ , in (1.7), then (1.7) reduces to Mann iteration. In 2000, Kamimura and Takahashi [9] proved that if  $E$  is a Hilbert space and  $\{\beta_n\}$  and  $\{r_n\}$  are chosen such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n = 0$ ,  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \beta_n = +\infty$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = +\infty$ , then the Mann iterative sequence,

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n) J_{r_n} x_n, \quad \forall n \geq 1, \quad (1.8)$$

converges weakly to a zero of  $A$ . However, the Mann iteration scheme has only weak convergence for nonexpansive mappings even in a Hilbert space (see [4]).

Our main purpose is to prove strong convergence theorems for a finite family of accretive operators on a strictly convex Banach space with uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm by using viscosity approximation methods. Our theorems extend the comparable results in the following three aspects.

- (1) In contrast to weak convergence results on a Hilbert Space in [9], strong convergence of the iterative sequence is obtained in the general setup of a Banach space.
- (2) The restrictions (C3), (C3\*), and (C4) on the results in [10, 20] are dropped.
- (3) A single mapping of the results in [3] is replaced by a finite family of mappings.

## 2. Preliminaries and Lemmas

A Banach space  $E$  is said to have *Gâteaux differentiable norm* if the limit

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|x + ty\| - \|x\|}{t} \quad (2.1)$$

exists for each  $x, y \in U$ , where  $U = \{x \in E : \|x\| = 1\}$ . The norm of  $E$  is *uniformly Gâteaux differentiable* if for each  $y \in U$ , the limit is attained uniformly for  $x \in U$ . The norm of  $E$  is *uniformly Fréchet differentiable* ( $E$  is also called *uniformly smooth*) if the limit is attained uniformly for each  $x, y \in U$ . It is well known that if  $E$  is uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm, then the duality mapping  $J$  is single-valued and norm-to-weak\* uniformly continuous on each bounded subset of  $E$ .

A Banach space  $E$  is called *strictly convex* if for  $i \in \Lambda$ ,  $a_i \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\sum_{i=1}^N a_i = 1$ , we have  $\|a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \cdots + a_Nx_N\| < 1$  for  $x_i \in E$ ,  $i \in \Lambda$  and  $x_i \neq x_j$  for  $i \neq j$ . In a strictly convex Banach space  $E$ , we have that if  $\|x_1\| = \|x_2\| = \cdots = \|x_N\| = \|a_1x_1 + a_2x_2 + \cdots + a_Nx_N\|$ , for  $x_i \in E$ ,  $a_i \in (0, 1)$ ,  $i \in \Lambda$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^N a_i = 1$ , then  $x_1 = x_2 = \cdots = x_N$ .

**Lemma 2.1** (The Resolvent Identity). For  $\lambda, \mu > 0$  and  $x \in E$ ,

$$J_\lambda x = J_\mu \left( \frac{\mu}{\lambda} x + \left( 1 - \frac{\mu}{\lambda} \right) J_\lambda x \right). \quad (2.2)$$

We denote by  $\mathbb{N}$  the set of all natural numbers, and let  $\mu$  be a mean on  $\mathbb{N}$ , that is, a continuous linear functional  $\mu$  on  $l^\infty$  satisfying  $\|\mu\| = 1 = \mu(1)$ . We know that  $\mu$  is a mean on  $\mathbb{N}$  if and only if

$$\inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n \leq \mu(f) \leq \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} b_n, \quad (2.3)$$

for each  $f = (b_1, b_2, \dots) \in l^\infty$ . In general, we use  $\text{LIM}(b_n)$  instead of  $\mu(f)$ . Let  $f = (b_1, b_2, \dots) \in l^\infty$  with  $b_n \rightarrow b$ , and let  $\mu$  be a Banach limit on  $\mathbb{N}$ . Then  $\mu(f) = \text{LIM}(b_n) = b$ . Further, we know the following result.

**Lemma 2.2** (see [15, 16]). Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a Banach space  $E$  with uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm. Assume that  $\{x_n\}$  is a bounded sequence in  $C$ . Let  $z \in C$ , and let  $\text{LIM}$  a Banach limit. Then  $\text{LIM}\|x_n - z\|^2 = \min_{x \in C} \text{LIM}\|x_n - x\|^2$  if and only if  $\text{LIM}\langle x - z, j(x_n - z) \rangle \leq 0$ , for all  $x \in C$ .

Let  $C \subseteq E$  be a closed convex and, let  $Q$  a mapping of  $E$  onto  $C$ . Then  $Q$  is said to be sunny [12, 13] if  $Q(x + t(x - Qx)) = Qx$  for all  $x \in E$  and  $t \geq 0$ . A mapping  $Q$  of  $E$  onto  $C$  is said to be retraction if  $Q^2 = Q$ ; If a mapping  $Q$  is a retraction then  $Qx = x$  for any  $x \in R(Q)$ , the range of  $Q$ . A subset  $C$  of  $E$  is said to be a sunny nonexpansive retraction of  $E$  if there exists a sunny nonexpansive retraction of  $E$  onto  $C$ , and it is said to be a nonexpansive retraction of  $E$  if there exists a nonexpansive retraction of  $E$  onto  $C$ . In a smooth Banach space  $E$ , it is known ([5, Page 48]) that  $Q : E \rightarrow C$  is a sunny nonexpansive retraction if and only if the following condition holds:  $\langle x - Q(x), J(z - Q(x)) \rangle \leq 0$ ,  $x \in E$  and  $z \in C$ .

**Lemma 2.3** (see [14]). Let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be bounded sequences in a Banach space  $E$  such that

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n) y_n, \quad n \geq 0, \quad (2.4)$$

where  $\{\beta_n\}$  is a sequence in  $(0, 1)$  such that  $0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < 1$ . Assume

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|y_{n+1} - y_n\| - \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|) \leq 0. \quad (2.5)$$

Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - x_n\| = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $E$  be a real Banach space. Then for all  $x, y$  in  $E$  and  $j(x + y) \in J(x + y)$ , the following inequality holds

$$\|x + y\|^2 \leq \|x\|^2 + 2\langle y, j(x + y) \rangle. \quad (2.6)$$

**Lemma 2.5** ([18]). Let  $\{a_n\}$  is a sequence of nonnegative real number such that

$$a_{n+1} \leq (1 - \delta_n) a_n + \delta_n \xi_n, \quad \forall n \geq 0, \quad (2.7)$$

where  $\{\delta_n\}$  is a sequence in  $[0, 1]$  and  $\{\xi_n\}$  is a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (i)  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n = +\infty$ ;
- (ii)  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \xi_n \leq 0$  or  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n |\xi_n| < +\infty$ .

Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = 0$ .

**Lemma 2.6** (see [8]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a strictly convex Banach space  $E$ . Suppose that  $\{A_i : 1 \leq i \leq N\} : C \rightarrow E$  is a finite family of accretive operators such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}(A_i) \neq \emptyset$  and satisfies the range conditions:*

$$\text{cl}(D(A_i)) \subseteq C \subset \bigcap_{r>0} R(I + rA_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (2.8)$$

Let  $\{a_i : i \in \{0\} \cup \Lambda\}$  be real numbers in  $(0, 1)$  with  $\sum_{i=0}^N a_i = 1$  and  $S_r = a_0 I + a_1 J_r^1 \cdots + a_N J_r^N$ , where  $J_r^i := (I + rA_i)^{-1}$  and  $r > 0$ . Then  $S_r$  is nonexpansive and  $\text{Fix}(S_r) = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}(A_i)$ .

### 3. Main Results

For the sake of convenience, we list the assumptions to be used in this paper as follows.

- (i)  $E$  is a strictly convex Banach space which has uniformly Gâteaux differentiable norm, and  $C$  is a nonempty closed convex subset of  $E$  which has the fixed point property for nonexpansive mappings.
- (ii) The real sequence  $\{\alpha_n\}$  satisfies the conditions: (C1).  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$  and (C2).  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \alpha_n = +\infty$ .

We will employ the viscosity approximation methods [11, 19] to obtain a strong convergence theorem. The method of proof is closely related to [2, 3, 19].

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\{A_i : i \in \Lambda\} : C \rightarrow E$  be a finite family of accretive operators satisfying the following range conditions:*

$$\text{cl}(D(A_i)) \subseteq C \subset \bigcap_{r>0} R(I + rA_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (3.1)$$

Assume that  $F := \bigcap_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}(A_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $f : C \rightarrow C$  be a  $k$ -contraction with  $k \in (0, 1)$ . For  $t \in (0, 1)$ , the net  $\{x_t\}$  is generated by

$$x_t = tf(x_t) + (1-t)S_{r_t}x_t, \quad (I)$$

where  $S_{r_t} := a_0 I + a_1 J_{r_t}^1 + \cdots + a_N J_{r_t}^N$  with  $J_{r_t}^i := (I + r_t A_i)^{-1}$ , for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N$ ,  $a_i \in (0, 1)$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^N a_i = 1$ . If  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} r_t = r$ , then the net  $\{x_t\}$  converges strongly to  $v \in F$ , as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , where  $v$  is the unique solution of a variational inequality:

$$\langle v - f(v), J(v - p) \rangle \leq 0, \quad \forall p \in F. \quad (VI)$$

*Proof.* Put  $W_t x := tf(x) + (1-t)S_{r_t}x$ , for all  $x \in C$  and  $t \in (0, 1)$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|W_t x - W_t y\| &= \|tf(x) + (1-t)S_{r_t}x - tf(y) - (1-t)S_{r_t}y\| \\ &\leq t\|f(x) - f(y)\| + (1-t)\|S_{r_t}x - S_{r_t}y\| \\ &\leq (1-t(1-k))\|x - y\|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

and so  $W_t$  is a contraction of  $C$  into itself. Hence, for each  $t \in (0, 1)$ , there exists a unique element  $x_t \in C$  such that

$$x_t = tf(x_t) + (1-t)S_{r_t}x_t. \quad (3.3)$$

Thus the net  $\{x_t\}$  is well defined.

Lemma 2.6 implies that  $F = \text{Fix}(S_{r_t}) = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}(A_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Taking  $p \in F$ , we have for any  $t \in (0, 1)$

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_t - p\| &\leq t\|f(x_t) - p\| + (1-t)\|S_{r_t}x_t - p\| \\ &\leq tk\|x_t - p\| + t\|f(p) - p\| + (1-t)\|x_t - p\|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

Consequently, we get

$$\|x_t - p\| \leq \frac{1}{1-k}\|f(p) - p\|, \quad (3.5)$$

that is, the net  $\{x_t\}$  is bounded, and so are  $\{f(x_t)\}$  and  $\{S_{r_t}x_t\}$ . Rewriting (I) to find

$$x_t - f(x_t) = -\frac{1-t}{t}(x_t - S_{r_t}x_t), \quad (3.6)$$

and hence for any  $p \in F$ , it yields that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x_t - f(x_t), J(x_t - p) \rangle &= -\frac{1-t}{t}\langle x_t - S_{r_t}x_t, J(x_t - p) \rangle \\ &= -\frac{1-t}{t}\langle (I - S_{r_t})x_t - (I - S_{r_t})p, J(x_t - p) \rangle \\ &\leq 0 \quad (\text{Since } (I - S_{r_t}) \text{ is monotone}). \end{aligned} \quad (3.7)$$

Obviously, estimate (I) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_t - S_{r_t}x_t\| &\leq t\|f(x_t) - S_{r_t}x_t\| \\ &\leq t((1+k)\|x_t - p\| + \|f(p) - p\|) \longrightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } t \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

In view of the Resolvent Identity, we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \|J_{r_t}^i x_t - J_r^i x_t\| &= \left\| J_{r_t}^i \left( \frac{r}{r_t} x_t + \left( 1 - \frac{r}{r_t} \right) J_{r_t}^i x_t \right) - J_r^i x_t \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| \frac{r}{r_t} x_t + \left( 1 - \frac{r}{r_t} \right) J_{r_t}^i x_t - x_t \right\| \leq \left| 1 - \frac{r}{r_t} \right| \|x_t - J_{r_t}^i x_t\|, \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_{r_t} x_t - S_r x_t\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^N a_i (J_{r_t}^i x_t - J_r^i x_t) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \left| 1 - \frac{r}{r_t} \right| \|x_t - J_{r_t}^i x_t\| \longrightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } t \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

Combining (3.8) and the above inequality, we obtain

$$\|x_t - S_r x_t\| \longrightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } t \longrightarrow 0. \quad (3.11)$$

Assume  $t_n \rightarrow 0$ , as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Set  $x_n := x_{t_n}$  and define  $\mu : C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  ( $\mathbb{R}$  is the set of all real numbers) by

$$\mu(x) = \text{LIM} \|x_n - x\|^2, \quad x \in C, \quad (3.12)$$

where LIM is a Banach limit on  $l^\infty$ . Let

$$K = \left\{ q \in C : \mu(q) = \min_{x \in C} \text{LIM} \|x_n - x\|^2 \right\}. \quad (3.13)$$

It is easy to see that  $K$  is a nonempty closed convex and bounded subset of  $E$  and  $K$  is invariant under  $S_r$ . Indeed, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we have for any  $q \in K$ ,

$$\mu(S_r q) = \text{LIM} \|x_n - S_r q\|^2 = \text{LIM} \|S_r x_n - S_r q\|^2 \leq \text{LIM} \|x_n - q\|^2 = \mu(q), \quad (3.14)$$

and so  $S_r q$  is an element of  $K$ . Since  $C$  has the fixed point property for nonexpansive mappings,  $S_r$  has a fixed point  $v$  in  $K$ . Using Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\text{LIM} \langle x - v, J(x_n - v) \rangle \leq 0, \quad x \in C. \quad (3.15)$$

Clearly

$$\begin{aligned}\|x_t - v\|^2 &= t\langle f(x_t) - v, J(x_t - v) \rangle + (1-t)\langle S_t x_t - v, J(x_t - v) \rangle \\ &\leq t\langle f(x_t) - f(v), J(x_t - v) \rangle + t\langle f(v) - v, J(x_t - v) \rangle + (1-t)\|x_t - v\|^2 \\ &\leq (1-t(1-k))\|x_t - v\|^2 + t\langle f(v) - v, J(x_t - v) \rangle.\end{aligned}\quad (3.16)$$

Consequently, by (3.15), we obtain

$$\text{LIM}\|x_n - v\|^2 \leq \text{LIM} \frac{1}{1-k} \langle f(v) - v, J(x_t - v) \rangle \leq 0, \quad (3.17)$$

, that is,

$$\text{LIM}\|x_n - v\|^2 = 0, \quad (3.18)$$

and there exists a subsequence which is still denoted by  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow v$ .

On the other hand, let  $\{x_{t_j}\}$  of  $\{x_t\}$  be such that  $x_{t_j} \rightarrow \bar{v} \in F$ . Now (3.7) implies

$$\langle x_{t_j} - f(x_{t_j}), J(x_{t_j} - v) \rangle \leq 0, \quad v \in F. \quad (3.19)$$

Thus

$$\langle \bar{v} - f(\bar{v}), J(\bar{v} - v) \rangle \leq 0, \quad v \in F. \quad (3.20)$$

Interchange  $\bar{v}$  and  $v$  to get

$$\langle v - f(v), J(v - \bar{v}) \rangle \leq 0, \quad v \in F. \quad (3.21)$$

Addition of (3.20) and (3.21) yields

$$\langle \bar{v} - f(\bar{v}) - v + f(v), J(\bar{v} - v) \rangle \leq 0, \quad (3.22)$$

and so we have

$$\|\bar{v} - v\|^2 \leq \langle f(\bar{v}) - f(v), J(\bar{v} - v) \rangle \leq k\|\bar{v} - v\|^2. \quad (3.23)$$

Since  $k \in (0, 1)$ , it follows that  $\bar{v} = v$ . Consequently  $x_t \rightarrow v$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ . Likewise, using (3.7), it implies for all  $p \in F$

$$\langle x_t - f(x_t), J(x_t - p) \rangle \leq 0. \quad (3.24)$$



Letting  $t \rightarrow 0$  yields

$$\langle v - f(v), J(v - p) \rangle \leq 0, \quad (3.25)$$

for all  $p \in F$ . □

*Remark 3.2.* In addition, if  $E$  is a uniformly smooth Banach space in Theorem 3.1 and we define  $Q(f) := \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} x_t$ , then we obtain from Theorem 3.1 and [19, Theorem 4.1] that the net  $\{x_t\}$  converges strongly to  $v \in F$ , as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , where  $v = Q_F f(v)$  and  $Q_F$  is a sunny nonexpansive retraction of  $C$  onto  $F$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $\{A_i : i \in \Lambda\} : C \rightarrow E$  be a finite family of accretive operators satisfying the following range conditions:

$$\text{cl}(D(A_i)) \subseteq C \subset \bigcap_{r>0} R(I + rA_i), \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, N. \quad (3.26)$$

Assume that  $F := \bigcap_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}(A_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $f : C \rightarrow C$  be a  $k$ -contraction with  $k \in (0, 1)$ . For any  $x_1 \in C$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is generated by (1.7). Suppose further that sequences in the iterative sequence (1.7) satisfy the conditions:

$$0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < 1, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = r, \quad r > 0. \quad (3.27)$$

Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $v \in F$ , where  $v$  is the unique solution of a variational inequality (VI).

*Proof.* Lemma 2.6 implies that  $F = \text{Fix}(S_{r_n}) = \bigcap_{i=1}^N \mathcal{N}(A_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Rewrite (1.7) as follows:

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n) S_{r_n} y_n, \quad (3.28)$$

where

$$y_n = \alpha_n f(x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) x_n, \quad \forall n \geq 1. \quad (3.29)$$

Taking  $p \in F$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - p\| &= \beta_n \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \beta_n) \|S_{r_n} y_n - p\| \\ &\leq \beta_n \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \beta_n) (\alpha_n \|f(x_n) - p\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - p\|) \\ &\leq \beta_n \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \beta_n) (\alpha_n k \|x_n - p\| + \alpha_n \|f(p) - p\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|x_n - p\|) \\ &= (1 - (1 - \beta_n) \alpha_n (1 - k)) \|x_n - p\| + (1 - \beta_n) \alpha_n (1 - k) \frac{1}{1 - k} \|f(p) - p\| \\ &\leq \max \left\{ \|x_1 - p\|, \frac{1}{1 - k} \|f(p) - p\| \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.30)$$

Therefore, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded, and so are the sequences  $\{f(x_n)\}$ ,  $\{S_{r_n}x_n\}$ ,  $\{y_n\}$ ,  $\{J_{r_n}^i y_n\}$  and,  $\{S_{r_n}y_n\}$ . We estimate from (3.29)

$$\begin{aligned} \|y_{n+1} - y_n\| &\leq \alpha_{n+1} \|f(x_{n+1}) - f(x_n)\| + (1 - \alpha_{n+1}) \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\ &\quad + |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| \|f(x_n) - x_n\| \\ &\leq (1 - \alpha_{n+1}(1 - k)) \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| + |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| \|f(x_n) - x_n\|. \end{aligned} \quad (3.31)$$

In view of the Resolvent Identity, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|J_{r_{n+1}}^i y_{n+1} - J_{r_n}^i y_n\| &= \left\| J_{r_n}^i \left( \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}} y_{n+1} + \left(1 - \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}}\right) J_{r_{n+1}}^i y_{n+1} \right) - J_{r_n}^i y_n \right\| \\ &\leq \left\| \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}} (y_{n+1} - y_n) + \left(1 - \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}}\right) (J_{r_{n+1}}^i y_{n+1} - y_n) \right\| \\ &\leq \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}} \|y_{n+1} - y_n\| + \left|1 - \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}}\right| M_1, \end{aligned} \quad (3.32)$$

where

$$M_1 = \sup_{n \geq 1} \left\{ \|y_n - J_{r_{n+1}}^i y_{n+1}\|, i \in \Lambda \right\}. \quad (3.33)$$

Since  $S_{r_n} = a_0 I + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i J_{r_n}^i$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_{r_{n+1}} y_{n+1} - S_{r_n} y_n\| &\leq a_0 \|y_{n+1} - y_n\| + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \|J_{r_{n+1}}^i y_{n+1} - J_{r_n}^i y_n\| \\ &\leq \left[ \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}} + a_0 \left(1 - \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}}\right) \right] \|y_{n+1} - y_n\| + \left|1 - \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}}\right| M \\ &\leq \left[ \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}} + a_0 \left(1 - \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}}\right) \right] (1 - \alpha_{n+1}(1 - k)) \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\ &\quad + \left[ \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}} + a_0 \left(1 - \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}}\right) \right] |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| \|f(x_n) - x_n\| \\ &\quad + \left|1 - \frac{r_n}{r_{n+1}}\right| M_1. \end{aligned} \quad (3.34)$$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \alpha_n = 0$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} r_n = r$  imply

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|S_{r_{n+1}} y_{n+1} - S_{r_n} y_n\| - \|x_{n+1} - x_n\|) \leq 0. \quad (3.35)$$

Consequently, by Lemma 2.3, we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|S_{r_n} y_n - x_n\| = 0. \quad (3.36)$$

From (3.29), we get

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - x_n\| = \alpha_n \|f(x_n) - x_n\| \rightarrow 0, \quad (3.37)$$

and so it follows from (3.36) and (3.37) that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - S_{r_n} y_n\| = 0. \quad (3.38)$$

Using the Resolvent Identity and  $S_{r_n} = a_0 I + \sum_{i=1}^N a_i J_{r_n}^i$ , we discover

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_{r_n} y_n - S_r y_n\| &= \left\| \sum_{i=1}^N a_i (J_{r_n}^i y_n - J_r^i y_n) \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \left\| J_r^i \left( \frac{r}{r_n} y_n + \left(1 - \frac{r}{r_n}\right) J_{r_n}^i y_n \right) - J_r^i y_n \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^N a_i \left| 1 - \frac{r}{r_n} \right| \|y_n - J_{r_n}^i y_n\| \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (3.39)$$

Hence, we have

$$\|y_n - S_r y_n\| \leq \|y_n - S_{r_n} y_n\| + \|S_{r_n} y_n - S_r y_n\| \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (3.40)$$

It follows from Theorem 3.1 that  $\{x_t\}$  generated by  $x_t = t f(x_t) + (1-t) S_r x_t$  converges strongly to  $v \in F$ , as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , where  $v$  is the unique solution of a variational inequality (VI). Furthermore,

$$x_t - y_n = (1-t)(S_r x_t - y_n) + t(f(x_t) - y_n). \quad (3.41)$$

In view of Lemma 2.4, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_t - y_n\|^2 &\leq (1-t)^2 \|S_r x_t - y_n\|^2 + 2t \langle f(x_t) - y_n, J(x_t - y_n) \rangle \\ &\leq (1-2t+t^2) (\|S_r x_t - S_r y_n\| + \|S_r y_n - y_n\|)^2 + 2t \langle f(x_t) - x_t, J(x_t - y_n) \rangle \\ &\quad + 2t \|x_t - y_n\|^2 \\ &\leq (1+t^2) \|x_t - y_n\|^2 + (1+t^2) \|y_n - S_r y_n\| (2\|x_t - y_n\| + \|y_n - S_r y_n\|) \\ &\quad + 2t \langle f(x_t) - x_t, J(x_t - y_n) \rangle, \end{aligned} \quad (3.42)$$

and hence

$$\langle f(x_t) - x_t, J(y_n - x_t) \rangle \leq \frac{t}{2} \|x_t - y_n\|^2 + \frac{(1+t^2) \|y_n - S_r y_n\|}{2t} (2\|x_t - y_n\| + \|y_n - S_r y_n\|). \quad (3.43)$$

Since the sequences  $\{y_n\}$ ,  $\{x_t\}$ , and  $\{S_r y_n\}$  are bounded and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|y_n - S_r y_n\|/2t = 0$ , we obtain

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle f(x_t) - x_t, J(y_n - x_t) \rangle \leq \frac{t}{2} M_2, \quad (3.44)$$

where  $M_2 = \sup_{n \geq 1, t \in (0,1)} \{\|x_t - y_n\|^2\}$ . We also know that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f(v) - v, J(y_n - v) \rangle &= \langle f(x_t) - x_t, J(y_n - x_t) \rangle + \langle f(v) - f(x_t) + x_t - v, J(y_n - x_t) \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle f(v) - v, j(y_n - v) - J(y_n - x_t) \rangle. \end{aligned} \quad (3.45)$$

From the facts that  $x_t \rightarrow v \in F$ , as  $t \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\{y_n\}$  is bounded and the duality mapping  $J$  is norm-to-weak\* uniformly continuous on bounded subset of  $E$ , it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle f(v) - v, j(y_n - v) - J(y_n - x_t) \rangle &\rightarrow 0, \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0, \\ \langle f(v) - f(x_t) + x_t - v, J(y_n - x_t) \rangle &\rightarrow 0, \text{ as } t \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned} \quad (3.46)$$

Combining (3.44), (3.45), and the two results mentioned above, we get

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \langle f(v) - v, J(y_n - v) \rangle \leq 0. \quad (3.47)$$

Similarly, from (3.29) and the duality mapping  $J$  is norm-to-weak\* uniformly continuous on bounded subset of  $E$ , it follows that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\langle f(x_n) - f(v), J(y_n - v) - J(x_n - v) \rangle| = 0. \quad (3.48)$$

Write

$$x_{n+1} - v = \beta_n(x_n - v) + (1 - \beta_n)S_{r_n}(y_n - v), \quad (3.49)$$

and apply Lemma 2.4 to find

$$\begin{aligned}
\|x_{n+1} - v\|^2 &\leq \beta_n \|x_n - v\|^2 + (1 - \beta_n) \|S_{r_n} y_n - v\|^2 \\
&\leq \beta_n \|x_n - v\|^2 + (1 - \beta_n) \|\alpha_n (f(x_n) - v) + (1 - \alpha_n)(x_n - v)\|^2 \\
&\leq \beta_n \|x_n - v\|^2 + (1 - \beta_n)(1 - \alpha_n)^2 \|x_n - v\|^2 \\
&\quad + 2(1 - \beta_n)\alpha_n \langle f(x_n) - v, J(y_n - v) \rangle \\
&\leq \beta_n \|x_n - v\|^2 + (1 - \beta_n)(1 - \alpha_n)^2 \|x_n - v\|^2 + 2(1 - \beta_n)\alpha_n k \|x_n - v\|^2 \\
&\quad + 2(1 - \beta_n)\alpha_n \langle f(v) - v, J(y_n - v) \rangle \\
&\quad + 2(1 - \beta_n)\alpha_n \langle f(x_n) - f(v), J(y_n - v) - J(x_n - v) \rangle \\
&\leq [1 - 2(1 - \beta_n)(1 - k)\alpha_n] \|x_n - v\|^2 + 2(1 - \beta_n)\alpha_n \\
&\quad \times [\alpha_n \|x_n - v\| + |\langle f(x_n) - f(v), J(y_n - v) - J(x_n - v) \rangle| \\
&\quad + \langle f(v) - v, J(y_n - v) \rangle] \\
&= [1 - (1 - k)\delta_n] \|x_n - v\|^2 + \delta_n \xi_n,
\end{aligned} \tag{3.50}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
\delta_n &= 2(1 - \beta_n)\alpha_n, \\
\xi_n &= \alpha_n \|x_n - v\| + |\langle f(x_n) - f(v), J(y_n - v) - J(x_n - v) \rangle| + \langle f(v) - v, J(y_n - v) \rangle.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.51}$$

From (3.47), (3.48), (C1), (C2), and  $0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < 1$ , it follows that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \delta_n = +\infty$  and  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \xi_n \leq 0$ . Consequently applying Lemma 2.5 to (3.50), we conclude that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - v\| = 0$ .  $\square$

If we take  $f(x) \equiv u$ , for all  $x \in C$ , in the iteration (1.7), then, from Theorem 3.3, we have what follows

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $\{A_i : i \in \Lambda\}$ ,  $\{\alpha_n\}$ ,  $\{\beta_n\}$ , and  $\{r_n\}$  be as in Theorem 3.3. For any  $u, x_1 \in C$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is generated by*

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n) S_{r_n} (\alpha_n u + (1 - \alpha_n) x_n), \quad n \geq 1, \tag{3.52}$$

where  $S_{r_n} := a_0 I + a_1 J_{r_n}^1 + \dots + a_N J_{r_n}^N$  with  $J_{r_n}^i = (I + r_n A_i)^{-1}$ , for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$ ,  $a_i \in (0, 1)$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^N a_i = 1$ . Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $v \in F$ .

*Remark 3.5.* Theorem 3.3 and Corollary 3.4 prove strong convergence results of the new iterative sequences which are different from the iterative sequences (1.4) and (1.5). In contrast to [20], the restriction: (C3).  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < +\infty$  or (C3\*)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| / \alpha_{n+1} = 0$  is removed.

If we consider the case of an accretive operator  $A$ , then as a direct consequence of Theorem 3.1 and Theorem 3.3, we have the following corollaries.

**Corollary 3.6** ([3, Theorem 3.1]). *Let  $A : C \rightarrow E$  (not strictly convex) be an accretive operator satisfying the following range condition:*

$$\text{cl}(D(A)) \subseteq C \subset \bigcap_{r>0} R(I + rA). \quad (3.53)$$

Assume that  $\mathcal{F} := \mathcal{N}(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $f : C \rightarrow C$  be a  $k$ -contraction with  $k \in (0, 1)$ . For  $t \in (0, 1)$ , the net  $\{x_t\}$  is given by:

$$x_t = tf(x_t) + (1-t)J_{r_t}x_t, \quad (3.54)$$

where  $J_{r_t} := (I + r_t A)^{-1}$ . If  $\inf_{t \in (0,1)} r_t \geq \varepsilon$ , for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , then  $\{x_t\}$  converges strongly to  $v \in \mathcal{F}$ , as  $t \rightarrow 0$ , where  $v$  is the unique solution of a variational inequality:

$$\langle v - f(v), J(v - p) \rangle \leq 0, \quad \forall p \in \mathcal{F}. \quad (\text{VI}')$$

**Corollary 3.7.** *Let  $A : C \rightarrow E$  (not strictly convex) be an accretive operator satisfying the following range condition:*

$$\text{cl}(D(A)) \subseteq C \subset \bigcap_{r>0} R(I + rA). \quad (3.55)$$

Assume that  $\mathcal{F} := \mathcal{N}(A) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $f : C \rightarrow C$  be a  $k$ -contraction with  $k \in (0, 1)$ . Suppose that  $\{\alpha_n\}$  and  $\{\beta_n\}$  are real sequences in  $(0, 1)$  and  $\{r_n\}$  is a sequence in  $\mathbb{R}^+$ , satisfying the conditions:  $0 < \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \beta_n < 1$  and  $\inf_{n \geq 1} r_n \geq \varepsilon$ , for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ . For any  $x_1 \in C$ , the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is generated by

$$x_{n+1} = \beta_n x_n + (1 - \beta_n) J_{r_n} (\alpha_n f(x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) x_n), \quad n \geq 1, \quad (3.56)$$

where  $J_{r_n} = (I + r_n A)^{-1}$ . Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to  $v \in \mathcal{F}$ , where  $v$  is the unique solution of a variational inequality (VI').

*Remark 3.8.*

- (i) Corollary 3.7 describes strong convergence result in Banach spaces for a modification of Mann iteration scheme in contrast to the weak convergence result on Hilbert spaces given in [9, Theorem 3].
- (ii) In contrast to the result [10, Theorem 4.2], the iterative sequence in Corollary 3.7 is different from the iteration (1.3), and the conditions  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |\alpha_{n+1} - \alpha_n| < +\infty$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |1 - r_{n-1}/r_n| < +\infty$  are not required.

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