



# Strong Convergence of the Shrinking Projection Method for the Split Equilibrium Problem and an Infinite Family of Relatively Nonexpansive Mappings in Banach spaces

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**Abstract :** In this paper, we use the shrinking projection method to prove a strong convergence theorem for finding a common solution of the split equilibrium problem and fixed point problem of a relatively quasi–nonexpansive mapping. Consequently, our main theorem can apply to find a common solution of the split equilibrium problem and common fixed point problem for an infinite family of relatively nonexpansive mappings in Banach spaces.

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## 1 Introduction

In 1994, Censor and Elfving [1] studied *the split feasibility problem* in two Hilbert spaces  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  which is to find  $z \in H_1$  such that  $z \in C \cap A^{-1}Q$ , where  $C$  and  $Q$  are nonempty closed and convex subsets of Hilbert spaces  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , respectively and  $A : H_1 \rightarrow H_2$  is a bounded linear operator. Furthermore, if  $C \cap A^{-1}Q$  is nonempty, then  $z \in C \cap A^{-1}Q$  is equivalent to

$$z = P_C(I - \lambda A^*(I - P_Q)A)z, \quad (1.1)$$

where  $\lambda > 0$  and  $P_C$  is the metric projection of  $H_1$  onto  $C$ . Thus, many authors used such results to study the split feasibility problem in Hilbert spaces; see, for instance [2, 3, 4, 5]. The result of (1.1) was extended to Banach spaces by Takahashi [6, 7]. Since then, many authors have been investigating the split feasibility problem in Banach spaces (see [8, 9, 10, 11] and the reference therein). Let  $S : H_1 \rightarrow H_1$  and  $T : H_2 \rightarrow H_2$  be any mappings, *the split common fixed point problem* [12, 13] is to find  $z \in H_1$  such that  $z \in F(S) \cap A^{-1}F(T)$ , where  $F(S)$  and  $F(T)$  are the fixed point sets of  $S$  and  $T$ , respectively. In 2016, Takahashi [14] studied the split common fixed point problem in two Banach spaces, see also [15, 16].

Let  $F : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a bifunction. *The equilibrium problem* for  $F$  is to find  $z \in C$  such that

$$F(z, y) \geq 0, \quad (1.2)$$

for all  $y \in C$ . The set of all solutions of the problem (1.2) is denoted by  $EP(F)$ .

In 1955, Nikaido and Isoda [17] first used the inequality in convex game models. In 1972, Fan [18] proved existence theorems for  $EP(F)$ . Moreover, many problems in physics, economics and others can be reduced to find a solution of the problem (1.2). After the works of [19, 20, 21, 22], the equilibrium problem has been investigated by many authors (see [23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30] and the references therein).

In 2012, He [31] considered *the split equilibrium problem* in Hilbert spaces. Let  $F_1 : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F_2 : Q \times Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be two bifunctions and  $A : H_1 \rightarrow H_2$  be a bounded linear operator. The split equilibrium problem is to find  $x^* \in C$  such that

$$F_1(x^*, x) \geq 0, \forall x \in C \text{ and } y^* = Ax^* \in Q \text{ such that } F_2(y^*, y) \geq 0, \forall y \in Q. \quad (1.3)$$

The authors also introduced an iterative algorithm to find a solution of the split equilibrium problem. Also, they introduced the following an iterative algorithm to find a solution of (1.3) involving  $A^*$  is the adjoint of  $A$ . The split equilibrium problem and fixed point problems has been studied in Hilbert spaces by many authors; see [32, 33, 34] and the references therein.

In 2017, Guo et al. [35] considered the split equilibrium problem in Banach spaces defined as : let  $E_1, E_2$  be two Banach spaces and  $C, Q$  be nonempty closed and convex subsets of  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , respectively. Let  $A : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  be a bounded linear operator. Let  $F : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $H : Q \times Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be two bifunctions. Let

$\Omega$  denote the set of solutions of the split equilibrium problem on  $F$  and  $H$ , that is,

$$\Omega = \{z \in C : z \in EP(F), Az \in EP(H)\}.$$

The authors proved a strong convergence theorem as follows:

Let  $E_1$  be a uniformly smooth and uniformly convex Banach space and  $E_2$  be a uniformly smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space. Let  $A : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  be a linear and continuous operator. Let  $C$  and  $Q$  be nonempty closed and convex subsets of  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , respectively. Let  $S : C \rightarrow C$  be a relatively nonexpansive mapping and  $F : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, H : Q \times Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be two bifunctions satisfying the conditions (A1)-(A4) with  $\Omega \cap F(S) \neq \emptyset$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  by the following manner:

$$\begin{cases} \text{take } x_1 = x \in E, \text{ find } v \in E_1 \text{ such that } Av \in Q, \\ V_n = \{x \in E_1 : \|x - v\| \leq n\}, \\ U_n = \{x \in V_n : Ax \in Q\}, \\ F(u_n, y) + \frac{1}{r_n} \langle y - u_n, Ju_n - Jx_n \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in C, \\ H(Az_n, Ay) + \frac{1}{s_n} \langle y - z_n, Jz_n - Ju_n \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in U_n, \\ y_n = J^{-1}(\alpha_n Ju_n + (1 - \alpha_n)JS\Pi_C z_n), \\ C_n = \{z \in C : \phi(z, y_n) \leq \phi(z, x_n)\}, \\ D_n = \cap_{i=1}^n C_i \\ x_{n+1} = \Pi_{D_n} x, \end{cases} \quad (1.4)$$

for each  $n \geq 1$ , where  $\{r_n\} \subset [r, \infty)$  with  $r > 0$ ,  $\{s_n\} \subset [s, \infty)$  with  $s > 0$  and  $\alpha_n \subset (0, 1)$ . Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by (1.4) converges strongly to a point  $\Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)} x$ , where  $\Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E_1$  onto  $\Omega \cap F(S)$ .

The algorithm (1.4) does not involve with the adjoint  $A^*$  of the operator  $A$  and the norm  $\|A\|$ , which are quite difficult to compute, but involve only the operator  $A$ . Furthermore, they also prove a weak convergence theorem for the set of solution of the split equilibrium problem and fixed point problem for a relatively nonexpansive mapping in Banach spaces. Using this idea, Inthakon and Niyamosot [36] also proved strong and weak convergence theorems for the split equilibrium problem and common fixed point problem for two relatively nonexpansive mappings in Banach spaces.

In 2008, Takahashi et al. [37] proved a strong convergence theorem for nonexpansive mapping by using the shrinking projection method as follows: Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space and let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $C$ . Let  $T$  be a nonexpansive mapping of  $C$  into itself such that  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  and let  $x_0 \in H$ . For  $C_1 = C$  and  $u_1 = P_{C_1} x_0$ , define a sequence  $\{u_n\}$  of  $C$  as follows:

$$\begin{cases} y_n = \alpha_n u_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T u_n, \\ C_{n+1} = \{z \in C_n : \|y_n - z\| \leq \|u_n - z\|\}, \\ u_{n+1} = P_{C_{n+1}} x_0, n \in \mathbb{N}, \end{cases} \quad (1.5)$$

where  $0 \leq \alpha_n \leq a < 1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $\{u_n\}$  converges strongly to  $z_0 = P_{F(T)} x_0$ .

Furthermore, studying strong convergence by the shrinking projection method has been used widely in Banach spaces; see for instance [38, 39] and the references therein.

In this paper, we focus on using the shrinking projection method to prove a strong convergence theorem for finding a common solution of the split equilibrium problem and fixed point problem of a relatively quasi-nonexpansive mapping. Consequently, our main theorem can apply to find a common solution of the split equilibrium problem and common fixed point problem for an infinite family of relatively nonexpansive mappings in Banach spaces.

## 2 Preliminaries

Let  $E$  be a Banach space and let  $E^*$  denote the dual of  $E$ . We denote the value of  $x^*$  at  $x$  by  $\langle x, x^* \rangle$ . Then the *duality mapping*  $J$  on  $E$  defined by

$$J(x) = \{x^* \in E^* : \langle x, x^* \rangle = \|x\|^2 = \|x^*\|^2\}$$

for every  $x \in E$ . By the Hahn-Banach theorem,  $J(x)$  is nonempty.

Let  $S(E)$  be the unit sphere centered at the origin of  $E$ . A Banach space  $E$  is said to be *strictly convex* if  $\|(x+y)/2\| < 1$  whenever  $x, y \in S(E)$  and  $x \neq y$ . The modulus  $\delta$  of convexity of  $E$  is defined by

$$\delta(\epsilon) = \inf \left\{ 1 - \frac{\|x+y\|}{2} : \|x\| \leq 1, \|y\| \leq 1, \|x-y\| \geq \epsilon \right\}$$

for every  $\epsilon$  with  $0 \leq \epsilon \leq 2$ . A Banach space is said to be *uniformly convex* if  $\delta(\epsilon) > 0$  for every  $\epsilon > 0$ . For  $x \in E$  and  $f \in E^*$  define  $i(x)(f) = f(x)$ . We know that  $i(x) \in E^{**}$  and that the mapping  $i : X \rightarrow E^{**}$  is an isometric isomorphism, called the canonical embedding of  $E$  into  $E^{**}$ . If  $i(E) = E^{**}$ , then  $E$  is said to be *reflexive*. A uniformly convex Banach space is strictly convex and reflexive. Then the space  $E$  is said to be *smooth* if the limit

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

exists for all  $x, y \in S(E)$ . The norm of  $E$  is also said to be *uniformly Gâteaux differentiable* if for all  $y \in S(E)$ , the limit (2.1) attains uniformly for  $x \in S(E)$ . The norm of  $E$  is said to be *Fréchet differentiable* if for each  $x \in S(E)$ , the limit (2.1) is attained uniformly for  $y \in S(E)$ . The norm of  $E$  is said to be *uniformly Fréchet differentiable* (and  $E$  is said to be *uniformly smooth*) if the limit (2.1) is attained uniformly for  $(x, y)$  in  $S(E) \times S(E)$ . We know that  $E$  is smooth if and only if  $J$  is a single-valued mapping of  $E$  into  $E^*$ . We also know that  $E$  is *reflexive* if and only if  $J$  is surjective, and  $E$  is strictly convex if and only if  $J$  is one-to-one.

Let  $E$  be a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space and  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of  $E$ . Let  $\phi$  be the function on  $E \times E$  defined by

$$\phi(x, y) = \|y\|^2 - 2\langle x, Jy \rangle + \|x\|^2,$$

for all  $x, y \in E$ . From the definition of  $\phi$ , we have that

$$(\|x\| - \|y\|)^2 \leq \phi(x, y) \leq (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2,$$

for  $x, y \in E$ . In 1996, Alber [40] defined the *generalized projection*  $\Pi_C$  from  $E$  onto  $C$  as  $\Pi_C(x) = \arg \min_{y \in C} \phi(x, y)$ , for all  $x \in E$ . If  $E$  is a Hilbert space, then

$\phi(x, y) = \|x - y\|^2$  and  $\Pi_C$  is the metric projection  $P$  of  $X^E$  onto  $C$ .

Let  $C$  be a closed and convex subset of  $E$  and let  $T$  be a mapping from  $C$  into itself. A point  $p$  in  $C$  is said to be an *asymptotic fixed point* of  $T$  [41] if  $C$  contains a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  which converges weakly to  $p$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - Tx_n\| = 0$ . The set of asymptotic fixed points of  $T$  is denoted by  $\hat{F}(T)$ . We say that the mapping  $T$  is called *relatively nonexpansive* [42, 43] if the following conditions are satisfied:

- (R1)  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ ,
- (R2)  $\phi(p, Tx) \leq \phi(p, x)$ , for each  $x \in C, p \in F(T)$ ,
- (R3)  $F(T) = \hat{F}(T)$ .

If  $T$  satisfies (R1) and (R2), then  $T$  is called *relatively quasi-nonexpansive* or *quasi- $\phi$ -nonexpansive*. It is obvious that the class of relatively quasi-nonexpansive mappings is more general than the class of relatively nonexpansive mappings.

It is known from [43] that if  $E$  be a strictly convex and smooth Banach space, let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $E$ , and let  $T$  be a relatively nonexpansive mapping from  $C$  into itself. Then  $F(T)$  is closed and convex. Furthermore, since the condition (R3) is not required in the proof of [43], we can concluded that the fixed point set of relatively quasi-nonexpansive mapping is closed and convex.

In 2008, Kohsaka and Takahashi [44] proved the following result for a countable family of relatively nonexpansive mappings.

**Lemma 2.1** ([44]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a uniformly convex and uniformly smooth Banach space  $E$ . Let  $\{T_i : C \rightarrow E\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of relatively nonexpansive mappings such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset (0, 1)$  and  $\{\beta_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset (0, 1)$  are sequences such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i = 1$  and  $U : C \rightarrow E$  is defined by*

$$Ux = J^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i (\beta_i Jx + (1 - \beta_i) JT_i x) \right) \text{ for each } x \in C.$$

*Then  $U$  is relatively nonexpansive and  $F(U) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} F(T_i)$ .*

In 2010, Nilsrakoo and Saejung [45] also proved the following result.

**Lemma 2.2** ([45]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a uniformly convex and uniformly smooth Banach space  $E$ . Let  $\{T_i : C \rightarrow E\}_{i=1}^\infty$  be a sequence of relatively nonexpansive mappings such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^\infty F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Suppose that  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1}^\infty \subset (0, 1)$  and  $\{\beta_i\}_{i=1}^\infty \subset (0, 1)$  are sequences such that  $\sum_{i=1}^\infty \alpha_i = 1$  and  $\mathcal{S} : C \rightarrow E$  is defined by*

$$\mathcal{S}x = J^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^\infty \alpha_i J T_i x \right) \text{ for each } x \in C.$$

Then  $\mathcal{S}$  is relatively nonexpansive and  $F(\mathcal{S}) = \bigcap_{i=1}^\infty F(T_i)$ .

By the way, for solving the equilibrium problem, let us assume that a bifunction  $F$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (A1)  $F(x, x) = 0$  for all  $x \in C$ ;
- (A2)  $F$  is monotone, i.e.  $F(x, y) + F(y, x) \leq 0$  for all  $x, y \in C$ ;
- (A3) for all  $x, y, z \in C, \limsup_{t \downarrow 0} F(tz + (1-t)x, y) \leq F(x, y)$ ;
- (A4) for all  $x \in C, y \mapsto F(x, y)$  is convex and lower semicontinuous.

The following lemma is due to Takahashi and Zembayashi [30].

**Lemma 2.3** ([30]). *Let  $C$  be a closed and convex subset of a uniformly smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$ , and let  $F$  be a bifunction from  $C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying (A1) - (A4). For  $r > 0$  and  $x \in E$ , define a mapping  $T_r^F : E \rightarrow C$  by*

$$T_r^F(x) = \{z \in C : F(z, y) + \frac{1}{r} \langle y - z, Jz - Jy \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in C\},$$

for all  $x \in E$  Then  $T_r^F$  is well-defined and the followings hold:

- (1)  $T_r^F$  is single-valued;
- (2)  $T_r^F$  is firmly nonexpansive-type mapping, i.e., for all  $x, y \in E$ ,

$$\langle T_r^F x - T_r^F y, J T_r^F x - J T_r^F y \rangle \leq \langle T_r^F x - T_r^F y, Jx - Jy \rangle;$$

- (3)  $F(T_r^F) = EP(F)$ ;
- (4)  $EP(F)$  is closed and convex.

The following results let us know more about the generalized projections.

**Lemma 2.4** ([40, 44]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$ . Then*

$$\phi(x, \Pi_C y) + \phi(\Pi_C y, y) \leq \phi(x, y),$$

for all  $x \in C$  and  $y \in E$ .

**Lemma 2.5** ([40, 44]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$ . Then, for any  $x \in E$  and  $z \in C$  we have*

$$z = \Pi_C x \Leftrightarrow \langle y - z, Jx - Jz \rangle \leq 0,$$

for all  $y \in C$ .

The following results also play the important role in our main theorems.

**Lemma 2.6** ([44]). *Let  $E$  be a smooth and uniformly convex Banach space. Suppose that  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are the sequences in  $E$  such that either  $\{x_n\}$  or  $\{y_n\}$  is bounded. If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(x_n, y_n) = 0$ , then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y_n\| = 0$ .*

**Lemma 2.7** ([30]). *Let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$ ,  $F$  be a bifunction from  $C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying the conditions (A1)-(A4) and let  $r > 0$ . Then, for any  $x \in E$  and  $q \in F(T_r^F)$ ,*

$$\phi(q, T_r^F x) + \phi(T_r^F x, x) \leq \phi(q, x).$$

### 3 Main Results

We use the shrinking projection method to prove strong convergence theorem as follows.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $E_1$  be a uniformly smooth and uniformly convex Banach space and  $E_2$  be a uniformly smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space. Let  $A : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  be a linear and continuous operator. Let  $C$  and  $Q$  be nonempty closed and convex subsets of  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , respectively. Assume that  $S : C \rightarrow C$  be a relatively quasi-nonexpansive mapping and  $F : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, H : Q \times Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be two bifunctions satisfying the conditions (A1)-(A4) with  $\Omega \cap F(S) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $C_1 = C$  and define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  by the following manner:*

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{take } x_1 = x \in E, \text{ find } v \in E_1 \text{ such that } Av \in Q, \\ V_n = \{x \in E_1 : \|x - v\| \leq n\}, \\ U_n = \{x \in V_n : Ax \in Q\}, \\ F(u_n, y) + \frac{1}{r_n} \langle y - u_n, Ju_n - Jx_n \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in C, \\ H(Az_n, Ay) + \frac{1}{s_n} \langle y - z_n, Jz_n - Ju_n \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in U_n, \\ y_n = J^{-1}(\alpha_n Ju_n + (1 - \alpha_n) JS \Pi_C z_n), \\ C_{n+1} = \{z \in C_n : \phi(z, y_n) \leq \phi(z, x_n)\}, \\ x_{n+1} = \Pi_{C_{n+1}} x, \end{array} \right. \quad (3.1)$$

for each  $n \geq 1$ , where  $\{r_n\} \subset [r, \infty)$  with  $r > 0$ ,  $\{s_n\} \subset [s, \infty)$  with  $s > 0$  and  $\alpha_n \subset (0, 1)$ . Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by (3.1) converges strongly to a point  $\Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)} x$ , where  $\Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E_1$  onto  $\Omega \cap F(S)$ .

*Proof.* For each  $n \geq 1$ , we can see that  $v$  is contained in  $V_n$  and  $U_n$ . Therefore  $V_n$  and  $U_n$  are nonempty. By the definition of  $V_n$ , we have  $V_n$  is closed. Since  $A$  is linear and continuous,  $V_n$  is convex and  $U_n$  is closed and convex. It is obvious that  $C_1 = C$  is closed and convex. Suppose that  $C_k$  is closed and convex for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . For  $z \in C_k$ , we see that

$$\phi(z, y_k) \leq \phi(z, x_k) \Leftrightarrow \|y_k\|^2 - \|x_k\|^2 - 2\langle z, Jy_k - Jx_k \rangle \leq 0.$$

This implies that  $C_{k+1}$  is closed and convex, and hence  $C_n$  is closed and convex for each  $n \geq 1$ . Next, we show that  $x_n$  is well defined. Let  $G(x, y) = H(Ax, Ay)$  for all  $x, y \in U_n$ . Since  $A$  is linear and continuous, then  $G$  is a bifunction from  $U_n \times U_n$  into  $\mathbb{R}$  satisfying (A1)-(A4). Moreover, for each  $n \geq 1$ , we can rewrite

$$H(Az_n, Ay) + \frac{1}{s_n} \langle y - z_n, Jz_n - Ju_n \rangle \geq 0,$$

as

$$G(x, y) + \frac{1}{s_n} \langle y - z_n, Jz_n - Ju_n \rangle \geq 0, \quad \text{for all } y \in U_n.$$

Let  $p \in \Omega \cap F(S)$  so we have  $p \in EP(F)$  and  $Ap \in EP(H)$ . By Lemma 2.3, we have  $p \in F(T_{r_n}^F)$  and hence  $p = T_{r_n}^F p$ . Since  $Ap \in EP(H)$ ,  $H(Ap, z) \geq 0$  for all  $z \in Q$ . Since  $Az \in Q$  for all  $z \in U_n$ ,  $H(Ap, Az) \geq 0$  for all  $z \in U_n$ . It follows that  $G(p, z) \geq 0$  for all  $z \in U_n$  which implies that  $p \in EP(G)$ . By Lemma 2.3, we have  $p = T_{s_n}^G p$  and hence  $p \in C$ . Let  $u_n = T_{r_n}^F x_n$  and  $z_n = T_{s_n}^G u_n$ . By Lemma 2.7 and  $p \in F(T_{r_n}^F)$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(p, T_{r_n}^F x_n) + \phi(T_{r_n}^F x_n, x_n) &\leq \phi(p, x_n) \\ \phi(p, u_n) + \phi(u_n, x_n) &\leq \phi(p, x_n). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\phi(p, u_n) \leq \phi(p, x_n) - \phi(u_n, x_n),$$

and hence

$$\phi(p, u_n) \leq \phi(p, x_n). \quad (3.2)$$

Since  $p \in F(S)$  and  $S$  is relatively quasi-nonexpansive mapping, we have

$$\phi(p, S\Pi_C z_n) \leq \phi(p, \Pi_C z_n).$$

Furthermore, we have from Lemma 2.4 that

$$\phi(p, \Pi_C z_n) \leq \phi(p, u_n).$$

On the other hand, since  $p \in EP(F)$ , we can apply Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 2.7 to get that

$$\phi(p, z_n) \leq \phi(p, u_n).$$

It follows from (3.2) that

$$\phi(p, S\Pi_C z_n) \leq \phi(p, x_n). \quad (3.3)$$



Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi(p, y_n) &= \phi(p, J^{-1}(\alpha_n J u_n + (1 - \alpha_n) J S \Pi_C z_n)) \\
&= \|p\|^2 - 2\langle p, \alpha_n J u_n + (1 - \alpha_n) J S \Pi_C z_n \rangle \\
&\quad + \|\alpha_n u_n + (1 - \alpha_n) J S \Pi_C z_n\|^2 \\
&\leq \|p\|^2 - 2\langle p, \alpha_n J u_n \rangle - 2\langle p, (1 - \alpha_n) J S \Pi_C z_n \rangle + \alpha_n \|u_n\|^2 \\
&\quad + (1 - \alpha_n) \|J S \Pi_C z_n\|^2 \\
&= \alpha_n \phi(p, u_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) \phi(p, S \Pi_C z_n) \\
&\leq \alpha_n \phi(p, x_n) + (1 - \alpha_n) \phi(p, x_n) \\
&= \phi(p, x_n).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $p \in C_n$  for each  $n \geq 1$  and hence  $C_n$  is nonempty. It follows that  $\Omega \cap F(S) \subset C_n$  for each  $n \geq 1$  which implies that  $\{x_n\}$  is well-defined. For each  $n \geq 1$ , we have from Lemma 2.4 that

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi(x_{n+1}, x) &= \phi(\Pi_{C_{n+1}} x, x) \\
&\leq \phi(z, x) - \phi(z, \Pi_{C_{n+1}} x) \\
&\leq \phi(z, x), \quad \forall z \in C_{n+1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\Omega$  and  $F(S)$  are nonempty closed and convex,  $\Omega \cap F(S)$  is closed and convex. Let  $x^* = \Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)} x$ , one has  $x^* \in \Omega \cap F(S) \subset C_{n+1}$  and

$$\phi(x_{n+1}, x) \leq \phi(x^*, x).$$

Therefore  $\{\phi(x_n, x)\}$  is bounded which implies that  $\{x_n\}$  is bounded. It follows that  $\{u_n\}$  and  $\{z_n\}$  are also bounded. Since  $x_{n+2} = \Pi_{C_{n+2}} x \in C_{n+2} \subset C_{n+1}$ , we have

$$\phi(x_{n+1}, x) \leq \phi(x_{n+2}, x).$$

Thus, we can conclude that the limit of  $\{\phi(x_n, x)\}$  exists.

For each  $m \geq 1$ , since  $x_{n+m} \in C_{n+m} \subset C_{n+m-1}$  and Lemma 2.4, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi(x_{n+m}, x_n) &= \phi(x_{n+m}, \Pi_{C_n} x) \\
&\leq \phi(x_{n+m}, x) - \phi(\Pi_{C_n} x, x) \\
&= \phi(x_{n+m}, x) - \phi(x_n, x).
\end{aligned}$$

From the existence of  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(x_n, x)$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \phi(x_{n+m}, x_n) = 0, \quad \text{for each } m \geq 1. \quad (3.4)$$

It follows from Lemma 2.6 that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - x_{n+m}\| = 0, \quad \text{for each } m \geq 1. \quad (3.5)$$

Thus, the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  is Cauchy. Therefore, there exists  $q \in C$  such that  $x_n \rightarrow q$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Finally, we show that  $q = \Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)} x$ . Indeed, we have from  $x_{n+1} = \Pi_{C_{n+1}} x$ ,  $\Omega \cap F(S) \subset C_{n+1}$  and Lemma 2.5 that

$$\langle y - x_{n+1}, Jx - Jx_{n+1} \rangle \leq 0, \quad \text{for all } y \in \Omega \cap F(S). \quad (3.6)$$

By letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in (3.6) and noting that  $x_n \rightarrow q$ , we have

$$\langle y - q, Jx - Jq \rangle \leq 0, \quad \text{for all } y \in \Omega \cap F(S).$$

Therefore, we can conclude from Lemma 2.5 that

$$q = \Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)}x$$

and the proof is complete. □

Since every relatively nonexpansive mapping is relatively quasi– nonexpansive mapping, Theorem 3.1 is also true when  $S$  is a relatively nonexpansive mapping and hence we can apply Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 3.1 to get a strong convergence theorem for finding an element in  $\Omega \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} F(T_i)$ , where  $T_i$  are relatively nonexpansive mappings in Banach spaces as follows.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $E_1$  be a uniformly smooth and uniformly convex Banach space and  $E_2$  be a uniformly smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space. Let  $A : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  be a linear and continuous operator. Let  $C$  and  $Q$  be nonempty closed and convex subsets of  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , respectively. Assume that  $\{T_i : C \rightarrow C\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of relatively nonexpansive mappings and  $F : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, H : Q \times Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be two bifunctions satisfying the conditions (A1)-(A4) with  $\Omega \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$ .*

Define  $S : C \rightarrow C$  by  $Sx = J^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i (\beta_i Jx + (1 - \beta_i) JT_i x) \right)$  for each  $x \in C$ ,

where  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset (0, 1)$  and  $\{\beta_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset (0, 1)$  are sequences such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i = 1$ .

Let  $C_1 = C$  and define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  by the following manner:

$$\begin{cases} \text{take } x_1 = x \in E, \text{ find } v \in E_1 \text{ such that } Av \in Q, \\ V_n = \{x \in E_1 : \|x - v\| \leq n\}, \\ U_n = \{x \in V_n : Ax \in Q\}, \\ F(u_n, y) + \frac{1}{r_n} \langle y - u_n, Ju_n - Jx_n \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in C, \\ H(Az_n, Ay) + \frac{1}{s_n} \langle y - z_n, Jz_n - Ju_n \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in U_n, \\ y_n = J^{-1}(\alpha_n Ju_n + (1 - \alpha_n) JS\Pi_C z_n) \\ C_{n+1} = \{z \in C_n : \phi(z, y_n) \leq \phi(z, x_n)\}, \\ x_{n+1} = \Pi_{C_{n+1}}x, \end{cases} \tag{3.7}$$

for each  $n \geq 1$ , where  $\{r_n\} \subset [r, \infty)$  with  $r > 0$ ,  $\{s_n\} \subset [s, \infty)$  with  $s > 0$ . Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by (3.7) converges strongly to a point  $\Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)}x$ , where

$\Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E_1$  onto  $\Omega \cap F(S)$  and  $F(S) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} F(T_i)$ .

Furthermore, Lemma 2.2 and Theorem 3.1 also allow us to get the following result.

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $E_1$  be a uniformly smooth and uniformly convex Banach space and  $E_2$  be a uniformly smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space. Let  $A : E_1 \rightarrow E_2$  be a linear and continuous operator. Let  $C$  and  $Q$  be nonempty closed and convex subsets of  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , respectively. Assume that  $\{T_i : C \rightarrow C\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of relatively nonexpansive mappings and  $F : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, H : Q \times Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be two bifunctions satisfying the conditions (A1)-(A4) with  $\Omega \cap \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} F(T_i) \neq \emptyset$ . Define*

$S : C \rightarrow C$  by  $Sx = J^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i J T_i x \right)$  for each  $x \in C$ , where  $\{\alpha_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \subset (0, 1)$  is

a sequence such that  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_i = 1$ . Let  $C_1 = C$  and define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  by the following manner:

$$\begin{cases} \text{take } x_1 = x \in E, \text{ find } v \in E_1 \text{ such that } Av \in Q, \\ V_n = \{x \in E_1 : \|x - v\| \leq n\}, \\ U_n = \{x \in V_n : Ax \in Q\}, \\ F(u_n, y) + \frac{1}{r_n} \langle y - u_n, Ju_n - Jx_n \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in C, \\ H(Az_n, Ay) + \frac{1}{s_n} \langle y - z_n, Jz_n - Ju_n \rangle \geq 0, \forall y \in U_n, \\ y_n = J^{-1}(\alpha_n Ju_n + (1 - \alpha_n) JS \Pi_C z_n) \\ C_{n+1} = \{z \in C_n : \phi(z, y_n) \leq \phi(z, x_n)\}, \\ x_{n+1} = \Pi_{C_{n+1}} x, \end{cases} \quad (3.8)$$

for each  $n \geq 1$ , where  $\{r_n\} \subset [r, \infty)$  with  $r > 0$ ,  $\{s_n\} \subset [s, \infty)$  with  $s > 0$ . Then the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  defined by (3.8) converges strongly to a point  $\Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)} x$ , where

$\Pi_{\Omega \cap F(S)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E_1$  onto  $\Omega \cap F(S)$  and  $F(S) = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} F(T_i)$ .

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