



## STRONG CONVERGENCE THEOREMS AND NONLINEAR ANALYTIC METHODS FOR LINEAR CONTRACTIVE MAPPINGS IN BANACH SPACES

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*Dedicated to the memory of Professor Ky Fan*

**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, we study nonlinear analytic methods for linear contractive mappings in Banach spaces. Using these results, we obtain some new strong convergence theorems for linear contractive operators in Banach spaces. In theorems, the limit points are characterized by sunny generalized nonexpansive retractions.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $E$  be a real Banach space and let  $C$  be a closed convex subset of  $E$ . For a mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$ , we denote by  $F(T)$  the set of fixed points of  $T$ . A mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$  is called nonexpansive if

$$\|Tx - Ty\| \leq \|x - y\|$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ . In particular, a nonexpansive mapping  $T : E \rightarrow E$  is called contractive if it is linear, that is, a linear contractive mapping  $T : E \rightarrow E$  is a linear operator satisfying  $\|T\| \leq 1$ . From [38] and [55] we know a weak convergence theorem by Mann's iteration for nonexpansive mappings in a Hilbert space: Let  $H$  be a Hilbert space, let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $H$  and let  $T : C \rightarrow C$  be a nonexpansive mapping with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$ . Define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $C$  by  $x_1 = x \in C$  and

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n, \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where  $\{\alpha_n\}$  is a real sequence in  $[0, 1]$  such that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) = \infty.$$

Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to an element  $z$  of  $F(T)$ , where  $z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Px_n$  and  $P$  is the metric projection of  $H$  onto  $F(T)$ . By Reich [44], such a theorem was proved in a uniformly convex Banach space with a Fréchet differentiable norm.

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However, we have not known whether the fixed point  $z$  is characterized under any projections in a Banach space. Recently, using nonlinear analytic methods obtained by [27], [28] and [21], Takahashi and Yao [56] solved such a problem for positively homogeneous nonexpansive mappings in a Banach space. We also know that there are many papers which discuss Reich's theorem for another nonlinear mappings in a Banach space; see, for instance, Kohsaka and Takahashi [35], Matsushita and Takahashi [39] and Ibaraki and Takahashi [25]. In 1938, Yosida [59] also proved the following mean ergodic theorem for linear bounded operators: Let  $E$  be a real Banach space and let  $T$  be a linear operator of  $E$  into itself such that there exists a constant  $C$  with  $\|T^n\| \leq C$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , and  $T$  is weakly completely continuous, i.e.,  $T$  maps the closed unit ball of  $E$  into a weakly compact subset of  $E$ . Then, for each  $x \in E$ , the Cesàro means

$$S_n x = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n T^k x$$

converge strongly as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  to a fixed point of  $T$ ; see also Kido and Takahashi [34].

In this paper, motivated by these theorems, we study nonlinear analytic methods for linear contractive mappings in a Banach space and obtain some new strong convergence theorems for linear contractive operators in a Banach space. One of them extends Bauschke, Deutsch, Hundal and Park's theorem [7] from a Hilbert space to a Banach space.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this paper, we assume that a Banach space  $E$  with the dual space  $E^*$  is real. We denote by  $\mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbb{R}$  the sets of all positive integers and all real numbers, respectively. We also denote by  $\langle x, x^* \rangle$  the dual pair of  $x \in E$  and  $x^* \in E^*$ . A Banach space  $E$  is said to be strictly convex if  $\|x + y\| < 2$  for  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| \leq 1$ ,  $\|y\| \leq 1$  and  $x \neq y$ . A Banach space  $E$  is said to be smooth provided

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|x + ty\| - \|x\|}{t}$$

exists for each  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$ . Let  $E$  be a Banach space. With each  $x \in E$ , we associate the set

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

The multivalued operator  $J : E \rightarrow E^*$  is called the normalized duality mapping of  $E$ . From the Hahn-Banach theorem,  $Jx \neq \emptyset$  for each  $x \in E$ . We know that  $E$  is smooth if and only if  $J$  is single-valued. If  $E$  is strictly convex, then  $J$  is one-to-one, i.e.,  $x \neq y \Rightarrow J(x) \cap J(y) = \emptyset$ . If  $E$  is reflexive, then  $J$  is a mapping of  $E$  onto  $E^*$ . So, if  $E$  is reflexive, strictly convex and smooth, then  $J$  is single-valued, one-to-one and onto. In this case, the normalized duality mapping  $J_*$  from  $E^*$  into  $E$  is the inverse of  $J$ , that is,  $J_* = J^{-1}$ ; see [50] and [51] for more details. Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space and let  $J$  be the normalized duality mapping of  $E$ . We define the function  $\phi : E \times E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

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

for all  $x, y \in E$ . We also define the function  $\phi_* : E^* \times E^* \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$\phi_*(x^*, y^*) = \|x^*\|^2 - 2\langle x^*, J^{-1}y^* \rangle + \|y^*\|^2$$

for all  $x^*, y^* \in E^*$ . It is easy to see that  $(\|x\| - \|y\|)^2 \leq \phi(x, y) \leq (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2$  for all  $x, y \in E$ . Thus, in particular,  $\phi(x, y) \geq 0$  for all  $x, y \in E$ . We also know the following:

$$(2.1) \quad \phi(x, y) = \phi(x, z) + \phi(z, y) + 2\langle x - z, Jz - Jy \rangle$$

for all  $x, y, z \in E$ . Further, we have

$$(2.2) \quad 2\langle x - y, Jz - Jw \rangle = \phi(x, w) + \phi(y, z) - \phi(x, z) - \phi(y, w)$$

for all  $x, y, z, w \in E$ . It is easy to see that

$$(2.3) \quad \phi(x, y) = \phi_*(Jy, Jx)$$

for all  $x, y \in E$ . If  $E$  is additionally assumed to be strictly convex, then

$$(2.4) \quad \phi(x, y) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = y.$$

The following lemma due to Kamimura and Takahashi [33] is well-known.

**Lemma 2.1** ([33]). *Let  $E$  be a smooth and uniformly convex Banach space and let  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  be 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  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - y_n\| = 0$ .*

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$ . For an arbitrary point  $x$  of  $E$ , the set

$$\{z \in C : \phi(z, x) = \min_{y \in C} \phi(y, x)\}$$

is always a singleton. Let us define the mapping  $\Pi_C$  of  $E$  onto  $C$  by  $z = \Pi_C x$  for every  $x \in E$ , i.e.,

$$\phi(\Pi_C x, x) = \min_{y \in C} \phi(y, x)$$

for every  $x \in E$ . Such  $\Pi_C$  is called the generalized projection of  $E$  onto  $C$ ; see Alber [1]. The following lemma is due to Alber [1] and Kamimura and Takahashi [33].

**Lemma 2.2** ([1, 33]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$  and let  $(x, z) \in E \times C$ . Then, the following hold:*

- (a)  $z = \Pi_C x$  if and only if  $\langle y - z, Jx - Jz \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $y \in C$ ;
- (b)  $\phi(z, \Pi_C x) + \phi(\Pi_C x, x) \leq \phi(z, x)$ .

Let  $D$  be a nonempty closed subset of a smooth Banach space  $E$ , let  $T$  be a mapping from  $D$  into itself and let  $F(T)$  be the set of fixed points of  $T$ . Then,  $T$  is said to be generalized nonexpansive [24] if  $F(T)$  is nonempty and  $\phi(Tx, u) \leq \phi(x, u)$  for all  $x \in D$  and  $u \in F(T)$ . Let  $C$  be a nonempty subset of  $E$  and let  $R$  be a mapping from  $E$  onto  $C$ . Then  $R$  is said to be a retraction, or a projection if  $Rx = x$  for all  $x \in C$ . It is known that if a mapping  $P$  of  $E$  into  $E$  satisfies  $P^2 = P$ , then  $P$  is a projection of  $E$  onto  $\{Px : x \in E\}$ . A mapping  $T : E \rightarrow E$  with  $F(T) \neq \emptyset$  is a retraction if and only if  $F(T) = R(T)$ , where  $R(T)$  is the range of  $T$ . The mapping  $R$  is also said to be sunny if  $R(Rx + t(x - Rx)) = Rx$  whenever  $x \in E$  and

$t \geq 0$ . A nonempty subset  $C$  of a smooth Banach space  $E$  is said to be a generalized nonexpansive retract (resp. sunny generalized nonexpansive retract) of  $E$  if there exists a generalized nonexpansive retraction (resp. sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction)  $R$  from  $E$  onto  $C$ . The following lemmas were proved by Ibaraki and Takahashi [24].

**Lemma 2.3** ([24]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed subset of a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$  and let  $R$  be a retraction from  $E$  onto  $C$ . Then, the following are equivalent:*

- (a)  $R$  is sunny and generalized nonexpansive;
- (b)  $\langle x - Rx, Jy - JRx \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $(x, y) \in E \times C$ .

**Lemma 2.4** ([24]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed sunny and generalized nonexpansive retract of a smooth and strictly convex Banach space  $E$ . Then, the sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction from  $E$  onto  $C$  is uniquely determined.*

**Lemma 2.5** ([24]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed subset of a smooth and strictly convex Banach space  $E$  such that there exists a sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction  $R$  from  $E$  onto  $C$  and let  $(x, z) \in E \times C$ . Then, the following hold:*

- (a)  $z = Rx$  if and only if  $\langle x - z, Jy - Jz \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $y \in C$ ;
- (b)  $\phi(Rx, z) + \phi(x, Rx) \leq \phi(x, z)$ .

The following theorems were proved by Kohsaka and Takahashi [37].

**Theorem 2.6** ([37]). *Let  $E$  be a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space, let  $C^*$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $E^*$  and let  $\Pi_{C^*}$  be the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $C^*$ . Then the mapping  $R$  defined by  $R = J^{-1}\Pi_{C^*}J$  is a sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction of  $E$  onto  $J^{-1}C^*$ .*

**Theorem 2.7** ([37]). *Let  $E$  be a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space and let  $D$  be a nonempty subset of  $E$ . Then, the following are equivalent.*

- (1)  $D$  is a sunny generalized nonexpansive retract of  $E$ ;
- (2)  $D$  is a generalized nonexpansive retract of  $E$ ;
- (3)  $JD$  is closed and convex.

*In this case,  $D$  is closed.*

Let  $E$  be a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space, let  $J$  be the normalized duality mapping from  $E$  onto  $E^*$  and let  $C$  be a closed subset of  $E$  such that  $JC$  is closed and convex. Then, we can define a unique sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction  $R_C$  of  $E$  onto  $C$  as follows:

$$R_C = J^{-1}\Pi_{JC}J,$$

where  $\Pi_{JC}$  is the generalized projection from  $E^*$  onto  $JC$ .

Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$ . For an arbitrary point  $x$  of  $E$ , the set

$$\{z \in C : \|z - x\| = \min_{y \in C} \|y - x\|\}$$

is always a singleton. Let us define the mapping  $P_C$  of  $E$  onto  $C$  by  $z = P_Cx$  for every  $x \in E$ , i.e.,

$$\|P_Cx - x\| = \min_{y \in C} \|y - x\|$$

for every  $x \in E$ . Such  $P_C$  is called the metric projection of  $E$  onto  $C$ ; see [50]. The following lemma is in [50].

**Lemma 2.8** ([50]). *Let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space  $E$  and let  $(x, z) \in E \times C$ . Then,  $z = P_C x$  if and only if  $\langle y - z, J(x - z) \rangle \leq 0$  for all  $y \in C$ .*

An operator  $A \subset E \times E^*$  with domain  $D(A) = \{x \in E : Ax \neq \emptyset\}$  and range  $R(A) = \cup\{Ax : x \in D(A)\}$  is said to be monotone if  $\langle x - y, x^* - y^* \rangle \geq 0$  for any  $(x, x^*), (y, y^*) \in A$ . An operator  $A$  is said to be strictly monotone if  $\langle x - y, x^* - y^* \rangle > 0$  for any  $(x, x^*), (y, y^*) \in A$  ( $x \neq y$ ). Let  $J$  be the normalized duality mapping from  $E$  into  $E^*$ . Then,  $J$  is monotone. If  $E$  is strictly convex, then  $J$  is one to one and strictly monotone; for instance, see [50].

Let  $E$  be a Banach space and let

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

We call the function  $\delta : [0, 2] \rightarrow [0, 1]$  the modulus of convexity. A Banach space  $E$  is said to be uniformly convex if  $\delta(\epsilon) > 0$  for every  $\epsilon > 0$ . A uniformly convex Banach space is strictly convex and reflexive. In a uniformly convex Banach space, we know the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.9** ([50]). *Let  $E$  be a uniformly convex Banach space and let  $\delta$  be the modulus of convexity in  $E$ . Let  $\epsilon$  and  $r$  be real numbers with  $0 < \epsilon \leq 2r$ . Then,  $\delta\left(\frac{\epsilon}{r}\right) > 0$  and*

$$\|\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y\| \leq r \left\{ 1 - 2\lambda(1 - \lambda)\delta\left(\frac{\epsilon}{r}\right) \right\}$$

for all  $x, y \in E$  with  $\|x\| \leq r, \|y\| \leq r$  and  $\|x - y\| \geq \epsilon > 0$  and  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$ .

### 3. HOMOGENEOUS MAPPINGS IN BANACH SPACES

In this section, we discuss some properties for homogeneous generalized nonexpansive mappings in a Banach space. Let  $E$  be a Banach space and let  $K$  be a closed convex cone of  $E$ . Then,  $T : K \rightarrow K$  is called a positively homogeneous mapping if  $T(\alpha x) = \alpha Tx$  for all  $\alpha \geq 0$  and  $x \in K$ . Let  $M$  be a closed linear subspace of  $E$ . Then,  $S : M \rightarrow M$  is called a homogeneous mapping if  $T(\beta x) = \beta Tx$  for all  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x \in M$ .

*Remark 3.1.* In  $L^p$  spaces,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , we know examples of nonexpansive and positively homogeneous mappings; see, for instance, Wittmann [58].

We start with the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space and let  $K$  be a closed convex cone of  $E$ . Then, a positively homogeneous mapping  $T : K \rightarrow K$  is generalized nonexpansive if and only if for any  $x \in K$  and  $u \in F(T)$ ,*

$$\|Tx\| \leq \|x\| \text{ and } \langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle \leq 0.$$

Furthermore, let  $M$  be a closed linear subspace of  $E$ . Then, a homogeneous mapping  $S : M \rightarrow M$  is generalized nonexpansive if and only if for any  $x \in M$  and  $v \in F(T)$ ,

$$\|Sx\| \leq \|x\| \text{ and } \langle x - Sx, Jv \rangle = 0.$$

*Proof.* Since  $T$  is positively homogeneous,  $F(T)$  must contain the origin. Further, we have that for any  $x \in K$ ,  $u \in F(T)$  and  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(T(\alpha x), u) &\leq \phi(\alpha x, u) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \phi(\alpha Tx, u) \leq \phi(\alpha x, u) \\ &\Leftrightarrow \|\alpha Tx\|^2 - 2\langle \alpha Tx, Ju \rangle \leq \|\alpha x\|^2 - 2\langle \alpha x, Ju \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\|x\|^2 - \|Tx\|^2)\alpha^2 - 2\alpha\langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle \geq 0 \\ &\Leftrightarrow (\|x\|^2 - \|Tx\|^2)\alpha - 2\langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ , we obtain  $\langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle \leq 0$ . From  $0 \in F(T)$ , we have also  $\|x\|^2 - \|Tx\|^2 \geq 0$  and hence  $\|Tx\| \leq \|x\|$ . Conversely, if a positively homogeneous mapping  $T : K \rightarrow K$  satisfies that for any  $x \in K$  and  $u \in F(T)$ ,

$$\|Tx\| \leq \|x\| \text{ and } \langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle \leq 0,$$

then we have

$$\|Tx\| \leq \|x\| \text{ and } \langle x, Ju \rangle \leq \langle Tx, Ju \rangle.$$

So, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \phi(Tx, u) &= \|Tx\|^2 - 2\langle Tx, Ju \rangle + \|u\|^2 \\ &\leq \|x\|^2 - 2\langle x, Ju \rangle + \|u\|^2 \\ &= \phi(x, u). \end{aligned}$$

Then,  $T$  is generalized nonexpansive.

Similarly, since  $S$  is a homogeneous mapping of  $M$  into itself,  $F(S)$  must contain the origin. Further, we have that for any  $x \in M$ ,  $v \in F(S)$  and  $\beta < 0$ , we have

$$(\|x\|^2 - \|Sx\|^2)\beta - 2\langle x - Sx, Jv \rangle \leq 0.$$

Letting  $\beta \rightarrow 0$ , we obtain  $\langle x - Sx, Jv \rangle \geq 0$ . Since  $\langle x - Sx, Jv \rangle \leq 0$  for  $\beta > 0$ , we obtain  $\langle x - Sx, Jv \rangle = 0$ .  $\|Sx\| \leq \|x\|$  is obvious. The reverse is obvious.  $\square$

We also know the following theorem from Takahashi and Yao [56]; see also Honda, Takahashi and Yao [21].

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space and let  $K$  be a closed convex cone in  $E$ . If  $T : K \rightarrow K$  is a positively homogeneous nonexpansive mapping, then  $T$  is generalized nonexpansive. In particular, if  $T : E \rightarrow E$  is a linear contractive mapping, then  $T$  is generalized nonexpansive.*

From Theorems 3.3 and 3.2, we have the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space and let  $K$  be a closed convex cone of  $E$ . If a mapping  $T : K \rightarrow K$  is positively homogeneous nonexpansive, then for any  $x \in K$  and  $u \in F(T)$ ,*

$$\|Tx\| \leq \|x\| \text{ and } \langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle \leq 0.$$

*Furthermore, let  $M$  be a closed linear subspace of  $E$ . If a mapping  $S : M \rightarrow M$  is homogeneous nonexpansive, then for any  $x \in M$  and  $v \in F(T)$ ,*

$$\|Sx\| \leq \|x\| \text{ and } \langle x - Sx, Jv \rangle = 0.$$

Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space and let  $C$  be a closed subset in  $E$ . We call a mapping  $T : C \rightarrow C$  a firmly generalized nonexpansive type [27] and [28] or firmly skew-nonspreading [15] if it satisfies

$$\phi(Tx, Ty) + \phi(Ty, Tx) + \phi(x, Tx) + \phi(y, Ty) \leq \phi(x, Ty) + \phi(y, Tx)$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ . By from (2.2), this inequality is equivalent to

$$\langle x - Tx, JT x - JT y \rangle \geq \langle y - Ty, JT x - JT y \rangle$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space, let  $K$  be a closed convex cone of  $E$  and let  $T : K \rightarrow K$  be a positively homogeneous firmly generalized nonexpansive type mapping. Then,  $\langle x - Tx, JT x \rangle \geq 0$  for all  $x \in K$ .*

*Proof.* From the definition of a firmly generalized nonexpansive type mapping, we have

$$\langle x - Tx, JT x - Ju \rangle \geq 0$$

for any  $x \in K$  and  $u \in F(T)$ . Then we have

$$\langle x - Tx, JT x \rangle \geq \langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle.$$

Fix  $x \in K$  and  $u \in F(T)$ . Let  $a = \langle x - Tx, JT x \rangle$  and  $b = \langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle$ . From the assumption of  $T$ , we have that for any  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$\alpha^2 a = \langle \alpha x - T(\alpha x), JT(\alpha x) \rangle,$$

$$\alpha b = \langle \alpha x - T(\alpha x), Ju \rangle$$

and

$$\alpha^2 a \geq \alpha b.$$

From this, we have  $a \geq \frac{1}{\alpha} b$ . Letting  $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ , we have  $a \geq 0$ , i.e.,  $a = \langle x - Tx, JT x \rangle \geq 0$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

From Theorem 3.2, we introduce the following concept.

**Definition 3.6.** Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space, let  $x \in E$  and let  $F$  be a nonempty subset of  $E$ . The Sizihwan region between  $x$  and  $F$  is the set

$$R(x; F) = \{z \in E : \langle x - z, Ju \rangle = 0 \text{ for all } u \in F \text{ and } \|z\| \leq \|x\|\}.$$

**Lemma 3.7.** *Let  $E$  be a strictly convex and smooth Banach space, let  $x \in E$  and let  $F$  be a nonempty subset of  $E$ . Then  $R(x; F)$  is nonempty, closed, convex and bounded, and  $F \cap R(x; F)$  consists of at most one point.*

*Proof.* For any  $x \in E$  and  $F \subset E$ ,  $x$  is always an element of  $R(x; F)$ . Then  $R(x; F)$  is nonempty. From the definition, it is obvious that  $R(x; F)$  is convex and bounded. We show that  $R(x; F)$  is closed. Let  $\{z_n\}$  be a sequence in  $R(x; F)$  and  $z_n \rightarrow z_0$ . Then, we have that for all  $u \in F$ ,

$$0 = \langle x - z_n, Ju \rangle \rightarrow 0 = \langle x - z_0, Ju \rangle$$

and  $\|z_0\| \leq \|x\|$ . So,  $z_0 \in R(x; F)$ .

Let  $z_1, z_2 \in F \cap R(x; F)$ . Then  $\langle x - z_1, Jz_1 \rangle = 0$  and  $\langle x - z_2, Jz_1 \rangle = 0$ . So, we have  $\langle z_1 - z_2, Jz_1 \rangle = 0$ . Similarly, we have  $\langle z_1 - z_2, Jz_2 \rangle = 0$ . Then we obtain  $\langle z_1 - z_2, Jz_1 - Jz_2 \rangle = 0$ . Since  $E$  is strictly convex, we obtain  $z_1 = z_2$ .  $\square$

Let  $F$  be a nonempty subset of a Banach space  $E$  and  $x \in E$ . Then,

$$\text{dist}(x, F) = \inf\{\|x - y\| : y \in F\}.$$

**Lemma 3.8.** *Let  $E$  be a uniformly convex and smooth Banach space, let  $x \in E$  and let  $F$  be a nonempty closed subset of  $E$ . Suppose  $\{x_n\}$  is a sequence in  $R(x; F)$  such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{dist}(x_n, F) = 0$ . Then  $F \cap R(x; F)$  is nonempty and  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a unique point in  $F \cap R(x; F)$ .*

*Proof.* Choose  $\{y_n\}$  in  $F$  such that  $\|x_n - y_n\| \rightarrow 0$ . By Lemma 3.7, both  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  are bounded. Then, there exists a positive number  $M$  such that

$$\|y_n\| = \|Jy_n\| \leq M$$

for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\{y_n\} \subset F$ , we have  $\langle x - x_n, Jy_m \rangle = 0$  for any  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle x - y_n, Jy_m \rangle| &= |\langle x - x_n, Jy_m \rangle - \langle y_n - x_n, Jy_m \rangle| \\ &= |\langle y_n - x_n, Jy_m \rangle| \\ &\leq M\|x_n - y_n\|. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have that  $|\langle x - y_n, Jy_n \rangle| \leq M\|x_n - y_n\|$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we have that for any  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle x - y_n, Jy_n - Jy_m \rangle| &\leq |\langle x - y_n, Jy_n \rangle| + |\langle x - y_n, Jy_m \rangle| \\ &\leq 2M\|x_n - y_n\|. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\|x_n - y_n\|$  converges to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , there exists a positive sequence  $t_n$  with  $t_n \searrow 0$  such that

$$\langle y_n - x, Jy_n - Jy_m \rangle \leq t_n$$

for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Similarly, we have

$$\langle y_m - x, Jy_m - Jy_n \rangle \leq t_m$$

for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we have

$$\frac{\phi(y_n, y_m) + \phi(y_m, y_n)}{2} = \langle y_n - y_m, Jy_n - Jy_m \rangle \leq t_n + t_m.$$

Since  $E$  is uniformly convex and smooth, from Kamimura and Takahashi [33] there exists a continuous, strictly increasing and convex function  $g : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  with  $g(0) = 0$  such that

$$g(\|y_n - y_m\|) \leq \phi(y_n, y_m)$$

and

$$g(\|y_n - y_m\|) = g(\|y_m - y_n\|) \leq \phi(y_m, y_n)$$

for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we have

$$g(\|y_n - y_m\|) \leq t_n + t_m$$

for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, from the properties of  $g$ ,  $\{y_n\}$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $F$ . So,  $\{x_n\}$  is also a Cauchy sequence in  $R(x; F)$ . Then both  $\{y_n\}$  and  $\{x_n\}$  converge to a same element  $z \in E$ . Since both  $F$  and  $R(x; F)$  are closed, the limit  $z$  belongs to  $F \cap R(x; F)$ .  $\square$

Using Corollary 3.4, we have the following result.



**Lemma 3.9.** *Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space, let  $M$  be a closed linear subspace of  $E$  and  $x \in M$ . For any homogeneous nonexpansive mapping  $T : M \rightarrow M$ ,  $Tx$  is an element of  $R(x; F(T)) \cap M$ , where  $F(T)$  is the set of all fixed points of  $T$ .*

The finite composition of homogeneous nonexpansive mappings is also a homogeneous nonexpansive mapping. Then, using Lemma 3.8 we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $E$  be a uniformly convex and smooth Banach space, let  $M$  be a closed linear subspace of  $E$  and let  $\{T_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of homogeneous nonexpansive mappings of  $M$  into itself such that  $\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} F(T_n) \neq \emptyset$ . Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of  $M$  defined by  $x \in M$  and*

$$x_n = T_n \circ T_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ T_1 x$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to an element of  $\bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(T_m)$  if and only if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{dist}(x_n, \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(T_m)) = 0$ .

*Proof.* Let  $x \in M$  and put  $S_n = T_n \circ T_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ T_1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $S_n$  is a homogeneous nonexpansive mapping of  $M$  into itself, we have that  $\|x_n\| \leq \|x\|$  and  $\langle x - x_n, Ju \rangle = 0$  for all  $u \in F(S_n)$ . So, we have  $\|x_n\| \leq \|x\|$  and  $\langle x - x_n, Ju \rangle = 0$  for all  $u \in \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(S_m)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . This implies  $x_n \in R(x; \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(S_m))$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{dist}(x_n, \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(S_m)) = 0$ , then from Lemma 3.8 we have  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to a unique point  $z$  of  $\bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(S_m) \cap R(x; \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(S_m))$ .

Conversely, if  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to an element of  $\bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(S_m)$ , then it is obvious that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{dist}(x_n, \bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} F(S_m)) = 0$ . □

#### 4. STRONG CONVERGENCE THEOREMS

Let  $Y$  be a nonempty subset of a Banach space  $E$  and let  $Y^*$  be a nonempty subset of the dual space  $E^*$ . Then, we can define the annihilator  $Y^\perp$  of  $Y^*$  and the annihilator  $Y^\perp$  of  $Y$  as follows:

$$Y^\perp = \{x \in E : f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } f \in Y^*\}$$

and

$$Y^\perp = \{f \in E^* : f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \in Y\}.$$

We know the following result from Megginson [41].

**Lemma 4.1** ([41]). *Let  $A$  be a nonempty subset of  $E$ . Then*

$$(A^\perp)^\perp = \overline{\text{span}A},$$

where  $\overline{\text{span}A}$  is the smallest closed linear subspace of  $E$  containing  $A$ .

Let  $T : E \rightarrow E$  be a bounded linear operator. Then, the adjoint mapping  $T^* : E^* \rightarrow E^*$  is defined as follows:

$$\langle x, T^*x^* \rangle = \langle Tx, x^* \rangle$$

for any  $x \in E$  and  $x^* \in E^*$ . We know that  $T^*$  is also a bounded linear operator and  $\|T\| = \|T^*\|$ . If  $S$  and  $T$  are bounded linear operators from  $E$  into itself and  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , then  $(S + T)^* = S^* + T^*$  and  $(\alpha S)^* = \alpha(S)^*$ . Let  $I$  be the identity operator on  $E$ . Then,  $I^*$  is the identity operator on  $E^*$ . Let  $T^{**} : E^{**} \rightarrow E^{**}$  be the adjoint

of  $T^*$ . Then we have  $T^{**}(\pi(E)) \subset \pi(E)$  and  $\pi^{-1}T^{**}\pi = T$ , where  $\pi$  is the natural embedding from  $E$  into its second dual space  $E^{**}$ ; see [41].

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $E$  be a strictly convex, smooth and reflexive Banach space, let  $T$  be a linear contractive operator of  $E$  into itself, i.e.,  $T : E \rightarrow E$  is a linear operator such that  $\|T\| \leq 1$  and let  $F(T)$  be the set of fixed points of  $T$ . Then  $JF(T)$  is a closed linear subspace in  $E^*$  and  $JF(T) = F(T^*) = \{z - Tz : z \in E\}^\perp$ , where  $J : E \rightarrow E^*$  is the normalized duality mapping and  $T^*$  is the adjoint operator of  $T$ .*

*Proof.* From Corollary 3.4, we have

$$\langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle = 0$$

for any  $x \in E$  and  $u \in F(T)$ . We also have that

$$\begin{aligned} \langle x - Tx, Ju \rangle = 0 &\Leftrightarrow \langle x, Ju \rangle = \langle Tx, Ju \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow \langle x, Ju \rangle = \langle x, T^*Ju \rangle \\ &\Leftrightarrow \langle x, (I^* - T^*)Ju \rangle = 0, \end{aligned}$$

where  $I^*$  is the identity operator in  $E^*$ . Since this equation holds for all  $x \in E$ , we have  $(I^* - T^*)Ju = 0$ . Then,  $T^*Ju = Ju$  and hence  $JF(T) \subset F(T^*)$ .

Since  $\|T^*\| = \|T\| \leq 1$ , we can get the same fact about  $T^*$ . So, we obtain that

$$J_*F(T^*) \subset F(T^{**}),$$

where  $J_* : E^* \rightarrow E^{**}$  is the duality mapping in  $E^*$ . Under assumptions on  $E$ , we know that  $J_* = J^{-1}$  and  $T^{**} = T$ . Then, we have

$$F(T^*) \subset JF(T^{**}) = JF(T).$$

So, we obtain that  $F(T^*) = JF(T)$  and hence  $JF(T)$  is a closed linear subspace of  $E^*$ .

Finally, we show that  $F(T^*) = \{z - Tz : z \in E\}^\perp$ . Let  $S = I - T$ , where  $I : E \rightarrow E$  is the identity operator on  $E$ . If  $x^* \in \{z \in E^* : S^*z = 0\}$ , then we have

$$\langle Sy, x^* \rangle = \langle y, S^*x^* \rangle = 0$$

for any  $y \in E$ . This implies  $x^* \in \{z - Tz : z \in E\}^\perp$ . We know that  $S^* = I^* - T^*$  and  $\{z \in E^* : S^*z = 0\} = F(T^*)$ . So, we have  $F(T^*) \subset \{z - Tz : z \in E\}^\perp$ . On the other hand, if  $x^* \in \{z - Tz : z \in E\}^\perp$ , then we have  $\langle Sy, x^* \rangle = 0$  for all  $y \in E$ . Since

$$\langle y, S^*x^* \rangle = \langle Sy, x^* \rangle = 0$$

for all  $y \in E$ , we have  $S^*x^* = 0$  and hence  $x^* \in F(T^*)$ . This implies  $\{z - Tz : z \in E\}^\perp \subset F(T^*)$ . Then, we have  $F(T^*) = \{z - Tz : z \in E\}^\perp$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.3.** *Let  $E$  be a strictly convex, smooth and reflexive Banach space, let  $T$  be a linear contractive operator on  $E$  and let  $\{S_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of contractive linear operators on  $E$  such that  $F(T) \subset F(S_n)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Suppose  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $S_n x$  converges to an element of  $F(T)$  for each  $x \in E$ ;
- (2)  $S_n x$  converges to 0 for each  $x \in (JF(T))^\perp$ ;
- (3)  $S_n x - T \circ S_n x$  converges to 0 for each  $x \in E$ .

Furthermore, if (1) holds, then  $S_n x$  converges to  $R_{F(T)} x \in F(T)$ , where  $R_{F(T)} = J^{-1} \Pi_{JF(T)} J$  and  $\Pi_{JF(T)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $JF(T)$ .

*Proof.* Suppose (1). Then, for any  $x \in E$ ,  $S_n x \in R(x; F(S_n)) \subset R(x; F(T))$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We know from Lemma 3.7 that  $R(x; F(T)) \cap F(T)$  consists of at most one point. Since  $R(x; F(T))$  is closed and  $S_n x$  converges strongly to an element  $z$  of  $F(T)$ ,  $R(x; F(T)) \cap F(T) = \{z\}$ . Let  $Rx$  be the unique element  $z$  of  $R(x; F(T)) \cap F(T)$ . Then, a mapping  $R : E \rightarrow F(T)$  defined by  $z = Rx$  is a retraction of  $E$  onto  $F(T)$ . Further, we know from Corollary 3.4 that  $\langle x - S_n x, Ju \rangle = 0$  for all  $u \in F(S_n)$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, we have

$$(4.1) \quad \langle x - Rx, Ju \rangle = 0$$

From  $Rx \in F(T)$ , we also have  $\langle x - Rx, JRx \rangle = 0$  and thus

$$(4.2) \quad \langle x - Rx, JRx - Ju \rangle = 0$$

for any  $u \in F(T)$ . So, from Lemmas 2.3 and 2.4,  $R$  is the unique sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction of  $E$  onto  $F(T)$ . Therefore, from Theorem 2.6, we have

$$R = R_{F(T)} = J^{-1} \Pi_{JF(T)} J,$$

where  $\Pi_{JF(T)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $JF(T)$ . If  $x \in (JF(T))_\perp$ , then we have  $\langle x, Ju \rangle = 0$  for all  $u \in F(T)$ . From (4.1), we also have  $\langle x - Rx, Ju \rangle = 0$  for all  $u \in F(T)$ . So, we get  $\langle Rx, Ju \rangle = 0$  for all  $u \in F(T)$ . This implies  $Rx \in (JF(T))_\perp$ . From  $Rx \in F(T) \cap (JF(T))_\perp$  and  $F(T) \cap (JF(T))_\perp = \{0\}$ , we have that  $S_n x \rightarrow R_{F(T)} x = 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then, we obtain (2).

Suppose (2). From Lemma 4.2,  $JF(T)$  is a closed linear subspace of  $E^*$ . Then, we have from [2, 3, 20, 19] that for any  $x \in E$ ,

$$x = R_{F(T)} x + P_{(JF(T))_\perp} x,$$

where  $P_{(JF(T))_\perp}$  is the metric projection of  $E$  onto  $(JF(T))_\perp$ . So, we have from (2) that

$$\begin{aligned} S_n x &= S_n (R_{F(T)} x + P_{(JF(T))_\perp} x) \\ &= S_n R_{F(T)} x + S_n P_{(JF(T))_\perp} x \\ &= R_{F(T)} x + S_n P_{(JF(T))_\perp} x \\ &\rightarrow R_{F(T)} x \in F(T), \end{aligned}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then, we obtain (1). Furthermore, we know from Corollary 3.4 that  $x - Tx \in (JF(T))_\perp$  for all  $x \in E$ . So, we have from (2) that  $S_n(x - Tx) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . So, we have from  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$  that for any  $x \in E$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} S_n x - T \circ S_n x &= S_n x - S_n \circ Tx \\ &= S_n(x - Tx) \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then, we obtain (3).

Suppose (3). We have from (3) and  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$  that for any  $x \in E$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} S_n(x - Tx) &= S_n x - S_n(Tx) \\ &= S_n x - S_n \circ T(x) \\ &= S_n x - T \circ S_n(x) \end{aligned}$$

$$\rightarrow 0.$$

So, we have  $S_n y$  converges to 0 for any  $y \in \{x - Tx : x \in E\}$ . From Lemmas 4.2 and 4.1, we have

$$(JF(T))_{\perp} = (\{z - Tz : z \in E\}^{\perp})_{\perp} = \overline{\text{span}}\{x - Tx : x \in E\}.$$

Take  $x \in (JF(T))_{\perp}$ . Then, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists an element  $y \in \{x - Tx : x \in E\}$  such that  $\|x - y\| < \epsilon$ . So, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_n x\| &= \|S_n y + (S_n x - S_n y)\| \\ &\leq \|S_n y\| + \|S_n x - S_n y\| \\ &\leq \|S_n y\| + \|x - y\| \\ &\leq \|S_n y\| + \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

and hence

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|S_n x\| \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\|S_n y\| + \epsilon) = \epsilon.$$

Since  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, we have that for any  $x \in (JF(T))_{\perp}$ ,  $S_n x$  converges to 0. Then, we obtain (2).

Furthermore, if (1) holds, then we have from the proof of (1) that for any  $x \in E$ ,  $S_n x$  converges strongly to  $R_{F(T)} x \in F(T)$ . □

Using Theorem 4.3, we have the following useful result.

**Theorem 4.4.** *Let  $E$  be a strictly convex, smooth and reflexive Banach space, let  $T$  be a linear contactive operator on  $E$ , let  $\{T_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of linear contractive operators on  $E$  such that  $F(T) \subset F(T_i)$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Let  $S_n = T_n \circ T_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ T_1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and suppose that  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $S_n x$  converges to an element of  $F(T)$  for each  $x \in E$ ;
- (2)  $S_n x$  converges to 0 for each  $x \in (JF(T))_{\perp}$ ;
- (3)  $S_n x - T \circ S_n x \rightarrow 0$  for each  $x \in E$ ;

Furthermore, if (1) holds, then  $S_n x$  converges to  $R_{F(T)} x \in F(T)$ , where  $R_{F(T)} = J^{-1} \Pi_{JF(T)} J$  and  $\Pi_{JF(T)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $JF(T)$ .

*Proof.* For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $S_n = T_n \circ T_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ T_1$  is a linear contractive operator on  $E$  and  $F(T) \subset F(S_n)$ . for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ . Further, from the assumption,  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, we have the desired result from Theorem 4.3 □

### 5. APPLICATIONS

In this section, using Theorems 4.3 and 4.4, we obtain some strong convergence theorems for linear contractive mappings in a Banach space.

In 2003, Bauschk, Deutsch, Hundal and Park showed the following theorem [7].

**Theorem 5.1.** *Let  $T$  be a contractive linear operator on a Hilbert space  $H$ ; i.e.  $\|T\| \leq 1$ , and let  $M$  be a closed linear subspace of  $H$ . Consider the following statements;*

- (1)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^n x - P_M x\| = 0$  for each  $x \in H$ ;
- (2)  $M = F(T)$  and  $T^n x$  converges to 0 for each  $x \in M^{\perp}$ ;

(3)  $M = F(T)$  and  $T^n x - T^{n+1} x \rightarrow 0$  for each  $x \in E$ .

Then, all statements are equivalent.

Using Theorem 4.3, we can obtain an extension of the above theorem to a Banach space.

**Theorem 5.2.** *Let  $E$  be a strictly convex, smooth and reflexive Banach space, let  $M$  be a closed linear subspace of  $E$  such that there exists a sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction  $R$  of  $E$  onto  $M$  and let  $T$  be a contractive linear operator on  $E$ . Then the following are equivalent:*

- (1)  $T^n x$  converges to the element  $Rx$  of  $M$  for each  $x \in E$ ;
- (2)  $M = F(T)$  and  $T^n x$  converges to 0 for each  $x \in (JM)_\perp$ ;
- (3)  $M = F(T)$  and  $T^n x - T^{n+1} x \rightarrow 0$  for each  $x \in E$ .

Furthermore, if (1) holds, then  $R = R_{F(T)} = J^{-1}\Pi_{JF(T)}J$ , where  $\Pi_{JF(T)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $JF(T)$ .

*Proof.* If (1) holds, then it is obvious that  $F(T) \subset M$ . Conversely, take  $z \in M$ . Then we have  $Rz = z$ . Since  $T^n z$  converges to the element  $Rz = z$  and  $T$  is continuous, we have  $T^{n+1} z$  converges to the element  $Tz$ . On the other hand,  $T^{n+1} z$  converges to the element  $z$ . So, we have  $Tz = z$ . This implies  $M \subset F(T)$ . Then we get  $M = F(T)$ . Define  $S_n = T^n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we have  $F(T) \subset F(T_i)$  and  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . So, we have the desired result from Theorem 4.3.  $\square$

*Remark 5.3.* If  $M$  is a closed linear subspace of a Hilbert space  $H$ , then there exists the metric projection  $P$  of  $H$  onto  $M$ . In a Hilbert space, the metric projection  $P$  of  $H$  onto  $M$  is coincident with the sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction  $R_M$  of  $H$  onto  $M$ .

Applying Theorem 4.4, we obtain a strong convergence theorem of Mann type for contractive linear mappings in a Banach space.

**Theorem 5.4.** *Let  $E$  be a smooth and uniformly convex Banach space and let  $T$  be a contractive linear operator on  $E$ . Let  $\{\alpha_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers such that  $0 \leq \alpha_n \leq 1$  and  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n) = \infty$ . Then a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  generated by  $x_1 = x \in E$  and*

$$x_{n+1} = \alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n) T x_n, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots,$$

*converges strongly to the element  $Rx$  of  $F(T)$ , where  $R = R_{F(T)} = J^{-1}\Pi_{JF(T)}J$  and  $\Pi_{JF(T)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $JF(T)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $T_i = \alpha_i I + (1 - \alpha_i) T$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $I$  is the identity operator on  $E$  and let  $S_n = T_n \circ T_{n-1} \circ \dots \circ T_1$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then, we have that  $x_{n+1} = S_n x$ . Since  $T$  is a linear cotractive operator,  $F(T)$  is a closed linear subspace of  $E$ . For any  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have  $\|T_i\| \leq 1$  and  $F(T) = F(T_i)$ . Indeed, we have

$$\|T_i\| = \|\alpha_i I + (1 - \alpha_i) T\| \leq \alpha_i \|I\| + (1 - \alpha_i) \|T\| \leq 1.$$

We show  $F(T) = F(T_i)$ . If  $x \in F(T)$ , then  $T_i x = \alpha_{i-1} I x + (1 - \alpha_{i-1}) T x = x$  and hence  $F(T) \subset F(T_i)$ . Conversely, if  $x \in F(T_i)$ , then since  $1 - \alpha_{i-1} > 0$ , we have

$$x = T_i x \Rightarrow x = \alpha_i I x + (1 - \alpha_i) T x$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow (1 - \alpha_i)x = (1 - \alpha_i)Tx \\ &\Rightarrow x = Tx. \end{aligned}$$

Then, we have  $F(T_i) \subset F(T)$ . Using these results, we obtain that  $\|S_n\| \leq 1$  and  $F(T) \subset F(S_n)$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Next, we shall show that  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$ . When  $n = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} T \circ S_1 &= T \circ T_1 \\ &= T(\alpha_1 I + (1 - \alpha_1)T) \\ &= \alpha_1 T + (1 - \alpha_1)T^2 \\ &= T_1 \circ T = S_1 \circ T. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $T \circ S_k = S_k \circ T$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} T \circ S_{k+1} &= T \circ T_{k+1} \circ S_k \\ &= T(\alpha_k S_k + (1 - \alpha_k)T \circ S_k) \\ &= \alpha_k T \circ S_k + (1 - \alpha_k)T^2 \circ S_k \\ &= \alpha_k S_k \circ T + (1 - \alpha_k)T \circ S_k \circ T \\ &= T_{k+1} \circ S_k \circ T = S_{k+1} \circ T. \end{aligned}$$

Then, by induction, we have that  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

By Theorem 4.4, it is sufficient to show that

$$\|x_n - Tx_n\| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

for any  $x_0 = x \in E$ . Let  $u \in M$ . Then, for fixed  $x_0 = x \in E$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - u\| &= \|\alpha_n x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n - u\| \\ &\leq \alpha \|x_n - u\| + (1 - \alpha_n)\|Tx_n - u\| \\ &\leq \alpha \|x_n - u\| + (1 - \alpha_n)\|x_n - u\| \\ &= \|x_n - u\|. \end{aligned}$$

So,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - u\|$  exists. Putting  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|x_n - u\| = c$ , without loss of generality, we can assume that  $c \neq 0$ .

Using Lemma 2.9, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_{n+1} - u\| &= \|\alpha x_n + (1 - \alpha_n)Tx_n - u\| \\ &= \|\alpha(x_n - u) + (1 - \alpha_n)(Tx_n - u)\| \\ &\leq \|x_n - u\| \left\{ 1 - 2\alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n)\delta \left( \frac{\|Tx_n - x_n\|}{\|x_n - u\|} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, we obtain

$$2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_n(1 - \alpha_n)\delta \left( \frac{\|Tx_n - x_n\|}{\|x_n - u\|} \right) \leq \|x_1 - u\| - c < +\infty.$$

From the assumptions of  $\{\alpha_n\}$ , we have  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \delta \left( \frac{\|Tx_n - x_n\|}{\|x_n - u\|} \right) = 0$ . Then we have

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Tx_n - x_n\| = 0.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|Tx_{n+1} - x_{n+1}\| &\leq \alpha_n \|Tx_{n+1} - x_n\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|Tx_{n+1} - Tx_n\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|Tx_{n+1} - x_{n+1}\| + \|x_{n+1} - x_n\| \\ &\leq \alpha_n \|Tx_{n+1} - x_{n+1}\| + (1 - \alpha_n) \|Tx_n - x_n\|. \end{aligned}$$

Then, we have  $\|Tx_{n+1} - x_{n+1}\| \leq \|Tx_n - x_n\|$ . So, we obtain that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Tx_n - x_n\| = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|Tx_n - x_n\| = 0.$$

By Theorem 4.4,  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to the element  $Rx$  of  $F(T)$ , where  $R = R_{F(T)} = J^{-1}\Pi_{JF(T)}J$  and  $\Pi_{JF(T)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $JF(T)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

From Theorem 4.3, we can show a mean strong convergence theorem for contractive linear operators in a Banach space; see Yosida [59].

**Theorem 5.5.** *Let  $E$  be a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive Banach space and let  $T$  be a contractive linear operator on  $E$ . Then, for each  $x \in E$ , the Cesàro means*

$$S_n x = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n T^k x$$

*converge strongly to the element  $Rx$  of  $F(T)$ , where  $R = R_{F(T)} = J^{-1}\Pi_{JF(T)}J$  and  $\Pi_{JF(T)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $JF(T)$ .*

*Proof.* For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the operator  $S_n : E \rightarrow E$  is a contractive linear operator. Further, we have  $F(T) \subset F(S_n)$  and  $T \circ S_n = S_n \circ T$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . In fact, for any  $x \in E$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$TS_n x = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n T^{k+1} x = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n T^k T x = S_n T x.$$

To complete the proof, it is sufficient to show that  $S_n x - T \circ S_n x \rightarrow 0$  for each  $x \in E$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} S_n x - T \circ S_n x &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n T^k x - T \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n T^k x \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n T^k x - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=2}^{n+1} T^k x \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (Tx - T^{n+1}x). \end{aligned}$$

Then, for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have

$$\|S_n x - T \circ S_n x\| = \frac{1}{n} \|Tx - T^{n+1}x\| \leq \frac{1}{n} (\|Tx\| + \|T^{n+1}x\|) = \frac{2}{n} \|Tx\|.$$

So, we obtain that  $S_n x - T \circ S_n x \rightarrow 0$  for each  $x \in E$ . Using Theorem 4.3,  $\{S_n x\}$  converges strongly to the element  $Rx$  of  $F(T)$ , where  $R = R_{JF(T)} = J^{-1}\Pi_{JF(T)}J$  and  $\Pi_{JF(T)}$  is the generalized projection of  $E^*$  onto  $JF(T)$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

*Remark 5.6.* In Theorem 5.5, note that the point  $z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n x$  is characterized by the sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction  $R = R_{F(T)} = J^{-1} \Pi_{JF(T)} J$  of  $E$  onto  $F(T)$ . Such a result is still new even if the operator  $T$  is linear.

In [10], Bruck introduced and discussed a firmly nonexpansive mapping in a Banach space. All norm one linear projections, all sunny nonexpansive retractions, and all resolvents of an accretive operator are firmly nonexpansive; see also [4]. Let  $E$  be a Banach space and let  $C$  be a nonempty closed convex subset of  $E$ . Then a mapping  $T : C \rightarrow E$  is said to be firmly nonexpansive [10] if

$$\|t(x - y) + (1 - t)(Tx - Ty)\| \geq \|Tx - Ty\|$$

for all  $x, y \in C$  and  $t \geq 0$ . If  $E$  is smooth, it is not hard to check that a mapping  $T : C \rightarrow E$  is firmly nonexpansive if and only if

$$\langle x - Tx - (y - Ty), J(Tx - Ty) \rangle \geq 0$$

for all  $x, y \in C$ , where  $J$  is the duality mapping on  $E$ . In a smooth Banach space, a linear operator  $T : E \rightarrow E$  is firmly nonexpansive if it satisfies

$$\|Tx\|^2 \leq \langle x, JTx \rangle$$

for any  $x \in E$ . For any nonexpansive mappings  $S$  on a Hilbert space, the mapping  $T = \frac{1}{2}(I + S)$  is firmly nonexpansive, where  $I$  is the identity mapping; see [17]. From Theorem 3.5, we have the following result.

**Theorem 5.7.** *Let  $E$  be a smooth Banach space and let  $T$  be a linear operator on  $E$ . If  $T$  is a firmly generalized nonexpansive type, then  $T$  is firmly nonexpansive.*

Finally, we prove strong convergence theorems for firmly nonexpansive linear operators in a Banach space.

**Theorem 5.8.** *Let  $E$  be a strictly convex, smooth and reflexive Banach space, let  $T$  be a linear firmly nonexpansive operator on  $E$ , let  $F(T)$  be the set of all fixed points of  $T$ . Then, for any  $x \in E$ ,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x = R_{F(T)} x$ , where  $R_{F(T)}$  is the sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction of  $E$  onto  $R_{F(T)}$ .*

*Proof.* From Ibaraki and Takahashi [27] and [28], we can define the sunny generalized nonexpansive retraction  $R_{F(T)}$  of  $E$  onto  $F(T)$ . We also know from Reich and Shafrir [47] that if  $T$  is firmly nonexpansive, then for all  $x \in E$  and  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^{n+1}x - T^n x\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\|T^{n+k}x - T^n x\|}{k} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{T^n x}{n} \right\|.$$

Since  $\{T^n x\}$  is bounded for any  $x \in E$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|T^{n+1}x - T^n x\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{T^n x}{n} \right\| = 0.$$

Then, by Theorem 5.2, we obtain  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T^n x = R_{F(T)} x$  for any  $x \in E$ . □

From Theorem 3.10, we also obtain the following theorem.



**Theorem 5.9.** *Let  $E$  be a strictly convex, smooth and reflexive Banach space, let  $M$  be a closed hyperplane of  $E$  such that for some  $z^* \in E^* \setminus \{0\}$*

$$M = \{z \in E : \langle z, z^* \rangle = 0\}$$

*and let  $\{T_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  be a sequence of homogeneous nonexpansive mappings of  $E$  into itself with  $F(T_n) = M$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . For  $x \in E$ , define a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $E$  by*

$$x_n = T_n \circ T_{n-1} \circ \cdots \circ T_1 x.$$

*Then  $\{x_n\}$  converges strongly to an element  $y \in M$  if and only if it converges weakly to  $y \in M$ .*

*Proof.* It is sufficient to show that if  $\{x_n\}$  converges weakly to  $y \in M$ , then it converges to  $y \in M$  strongly. Let  $P_M$  be the metric projection of  $E$  onto  $M$ . Suppose  $x_n \rightharpoonup y \in M$ . If  $x_m \in M$  for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , then  $x_n = x_m$  for any  $n \geq m$ . So, we have  $x_n \rightarrow y \in M$ . If  $\{x_n\} \subset E \setminus M$ , then we have from [49] that

$$P_M x_n = x_n - \frac{1}{\|z^*\|^2} \langle x_n, z^* \rangle J^{-1} z^*.$$

So, we have

$$\|x_n - P_M x_n\| = \frac{1}{\|z^*\|} |\langle x_n, z^* \rangle|.$$

Since  $x_n \rightharpoonup y \in M = \{z \in E : \langle z, z^* \rangle = 0\}$ , we have  $\|x_n - P_M x_n\| \rightarrow 0$ . From Theorem 3.10,  $\{x_n\}$  converges to an element of  $M$  strongly. Then, we have  $x_n \rightarrow y$ .  $\square$

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