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Approximation of solutions of split equality fixed point problems with applications

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we introduce and study an inertial algorithm for approximating solutions of split equality fixed point problem (SEFPP), involving quasi-phi-nonexpansive mappings in uniformly smooth and 2-uniformly convex real Banach spaces and establish a strong convergence theorem. We give applications of our result to split equality problem (SEP), split equality variational inclusion problem (SEVIP) and split equality equilibrium problem (SEEP). Our results extend, generalize and unify several recent inertial-type algorithms for approximating solutions of SEP and SEVIP. Moreover, to the best of our knowledge, our propose method which does not require any compactness type assumption on the operators is the first inertial algorithm for approximating solutions of SEFPP, SEVIP and SEEP in Banach spaces.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let $A : \mathbb{R}^n \to \mathbb{R}^n$ be a bounded linear map with adjoint A^* . In 1994, Censor and Elfving [11] introduced the following problem:

(1.1) find
$$x^* \in C \subset \mathbb{R}^n$$
 such that $Ax^* \in Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$.

Problem (1.1) is the so-called *split feasibility problem* (SFP) which was later used for modeling inverse problems arising from phase retrievals and in medical image reconstruction see, e.g., [24].

Remark 1.1. Observe that a solution of the SFP solves the fixed point equation

(1.2)
$$x = P_C (I - \gamma A^* (I - P_Q) A) x, \quad x \in C,$$

where P_C and P_Q are metric projections onto *C* and *Q*, respectively, $\gamma > 0$.

In 2004, Byrne [8] introduce a CQ iterative algorithm to solve (1.2). His algorithm generates a sequence $\{x_n\}$ by

$$x_{n+1} = P_C (I - \gamma A^* (I - P_Q) A) x_n, \quad n \ge 1,$$

where $\gamma \in (0, \frac{2}{\lambda})$ with λ being the spectral radius of the operator A^*A .

Extensions and generalizations of the SFP from \mathbb{R}^n to infinite dimensional real Hilbert spaces has been obtained by several authors (see, e.g., [26, 29]).

In 2011, Moudafi [29] introduced a generalization of the SFP (1.1). He introduced and studied the following problem:

(1.3) find
$$x^* \in C, y^* \in Q$$
, such that $Ax^* = By^*$,

where H_1 , H_2 and H_3 are real Hilbert spaces, C and Q be nonempty closed and convex subsets of H_1 and H_2 , respectively and $A : H_1 \to H_3$ and $B : H_2 \to H_3$ are bounded

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linear maps. Observe that if B = I (the identity map on H_2) and $H_3 = H_2$, then problem (1.3) reduces to problem (1.1). Problem (1.3) is the so-called *split equality problem* (SEP). Interest in the study of the SEP stems from its usefulness in applications. For example, in decision sciences, the setting of (1.3) allows one consider agents who interplay only via some components of their decision variables (interested readers may see [5] for more on how it works). In intensity-modulated radiation therapy (IMRT), the setting of (1.3) could serve as a model that amounts to envisage a weak coupling between the vector of doses absorbed in all voxels and that of the radiation intensity (interested readers may see [10] for more on how it works).

We shall denote the solution set of problem (1.3) by

$$\Gamma = \{ x \in C, y \in Q; Ax = By \}$$

Thus, (x, y) solves (1.3) means that there exists $x \in C$, $y \in Q$ such that Ax - By = 0. This motivates the following minimization problem:

$$\min_{x \in C, \ y \in Q} \frac{1}{2} \|Ax - Bx\|^2$$

Motivated by these applications of problem (1.3), Moudafi [29] introduced the following alternating CQ algorithm for solving problem (1.3):

(1.4)
$$\begin{cases} x_{n+1} = P_C(x_n - \gamma_n A^* (Ax_n - By_n)); \\ y_{n+1} = P_Q(y_n + \beta_n B^* (Ax_{n+1} - By_n)). \end{cases}$$

He proved *weak* convergence of the sequence $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ generated by (1.4) to a solution of (1.3).

Observe that setting B = I and $\beta_n = 1$, the second equality in algorithm (1.4) reduces to $y_{n+1} = P_Q(Ax_{n+1})$ and thus, the first equality gives

$$x_{n+1} = P_C(x_n - \gamma_n A^*(Ax_n - P_Q(Ax_n))) = P_C(x_n - \gamma_n A^*(I - P_Q)A(x_n)),$$

which is exactly the algorithm of Bryrne [8].

Remark 1.2. Setting C = F(T) and Q = F(S), which are the fixed point sets of some nonexpansive type mappings, problem (1.3) reduces to the so-called *split equality fixed point problem* (SEFPP). That is,

(1.5) find
$$x^* \in F(T), y^* \in F(S)$$
 such that $Ax^* = By^*$.

This special case of the SEP has been studied by numerous authors in Hilbert spaces and more general Banach spaces (see, for example, [19, 22, 32, 36, 37] and the references therein).

In 2018, Chidume et al. [14] introduced and studied an iterative algorithm for approximating a solution of the SEFPP (1.5) in certain Banach spaces. They proved weak convergence of the sequence generated by their algorithm and established strong convergence under semi-compactness assumption on the operators.

To dispense with the semi-compactness restriction in the theorem of Chidume et al. [14], Chidume et al. [15] introduced a CQ algorithm and proved the following strong convergence theorem:

Theorem 1.1. Let E_1 and E_2 be 2-uniformly convex and smooth real Banach spaces with dual spaces E_1^* and E_2^* , respectively, and let E_3 be a real Banach space with dual space E_3^* . Let $T : E_1 \to E_1$ and $S : E_2 \to E_2$ be closed quasi- ϕ -nonexpansive maps with nonempty fixed point sets,

F(T) and F(S), respectively. Let $A : E_1 \to E_3$ and $B : E_2 \to E_3$ be bounded linear maps with adjoints A^* and B^* , respectively. Let $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ be a sequence in $E_1 \times E_2$ generated by:

(1.6)
$$\begin{cases} x_{1} \in E_{1}, \ y_{1} \in E_{2}, \ C_{1} = E_{1}, \ Q_{1} = E_{2}, \ e_{n} \in J_{E_{3}}(Ax_{n} - By_{n}), \\ u_{n} = J_{E_{1}}^{-1}(J_{E_{1}}x_{n} - \gamma A^{*}e_{n}), \ z_{n} = J_{E_{1}}^{-1}(\alpha J_{E_{1}}x_{n} + (1 - \alpha)J_{E_{1}}Tu_{n}), \\ v_{n} = J_{E_{2}}^{-1}(J_{E_{2}}y_{n} + \gamma B^{*}e_{n}), \ w_{n} = J_{E_{2}}^{-1}(\alpha J_{E_{2}}y_{n} + (1 - \alpha)J_{E_{2}}Sv_{n}), \\ C_{n+1} = \{v \in C_{n} : \phi(v, z_{n}) \leq \phi(v, x_{n})\}, \\ Q_{n+1} = \{z \in Q_{n} : \phi(z, w_{n}) \leq \phi(z, y_{n})\} \\ x_{n+1} = \Pi_{C_{n+1}}x_{1}, \quad y_{n+1} = \Pi_{Q_{n+1}}y_{1} \ n \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Suppose $\Omega = \{(x, y) \in F(T) \times F(S) : Ax = By\}$ is nonempty. Then $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ converges strongly to some point $(x^*, y^*) \in \Omega$.

An *inertial-type algorithm* was first introduced and studied by Polyak [31], as an acceleration process in solving smooth convex minimization problems. This algorithm is a *two step* iterative method in which the next iterate is obtained using the previous *two* iterates. Numerical experiments have shown that an algorithm with inertial term requires less number of iteration than its corresponding non-inertial version. Consequently, a lot of research effort is now being put in improving existing algorithms by using inertial extrapolation (see, e.g., [4, 6, 7, 9, 28, 20, 31] and the references contained in them).

In 2017, Li et al. [27] introduced and studied an inertial-type algorithm for approximating solutions of SEP in real Hilbert spaces. They proved the following theorem:

Theorem 1.2. Let H_1 , H_2 and H_3 be real Hilbert spaces and let $A : H_1 \to H_3$ and $B : H_2 \to H_3$ be bounded linear maps with adjoints A^* and B^* , respectively. Let $C = \{x \in H_1 : c(x) \le 0\}$, $Q = \{y \in H_2 : q(y) \le 0\}$, where $c : H_1 \to \mathbb{R}$ and $q : H_1 \to \mathbb{R}$ are convex and lower semicontinuous functions. Let $x_0, x_1 \in H_1$ and $y_0, y_1 \in H_2$ and define the sequence $\{(x_n, y_n)\} \subset$ $H_1 \times H_2$ by:

(1.7)
$$\begin{cases} u_n = x_n + \theta_n (x_n - x_{n-1}), \\ v_n = y_n + \theta_n (y_n - y_{n-1}), \\ C_n = \{x \in H_1 : c(x_n) + \langle \varepsilon_n, x - x_n \rangle \le 0 \quad \varepsilon_n \in \partial c(x_n)\}, \\ Q_n = \{y \in H_2 : q(y) + \langle \eta_n, y - y_n \rangle \le 0 \quad \eta_n \in \partial q(y_n)\}, \\ x_{n+1} = P_{C_n} (u_n - \gamma_n A^* (Au_n - Bv_n)), \\ y_{n+1} = P_{Q_n} (v_n + \gamma_n B^* (Au_n - Bv_n)), \end{cases}$$

where θ_k and γ_n satisfy some appropriate conditions. Then the sequence $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ converges weakly to a solution of (1.3).

Another interesting case of the SEP is the split equality variational inclusion problem (SEVIP) introduced in real Hilbert spaces by Censor et al. [12] and extended to Banach spaces by Chang et al. [13]. The setting in Banach spaces is the following: Let E_1 and E_2 be real Banach spaces with dual spaces, E_1^* and E_2^* , respectively, and E_3 be a real Banach space. Let $M : E_1 \to 2^{E_1^*}$ and $N : E_2 \to 2^{E_2^*}$ be *maximal monotone* operators. Let $A : E_1 \to E_3$ and $B : E_2 \to E_3$ be bounded linear operators. The SEVIP is the problem of finding

$$x \in M^{-1}(0), y \in N^{-1}(0)$$
 such that $Ax = By$,

where $M^{-1}(0) = \{x \in E_1 : 0 \in Mx\}$ and $N^{-1}(0) = \{x \in E_2 : 0 \in Nx\}$ are called the set of zeros of M and N, respectively.

Recently, in 2020, Chuasuk et al. [21] introduced and studied an inertial algorithm for approximating solutions of SEVIP in real Hilbert spaces. They proved weak convergence of the sequence generated by their algorithm to a solution of the SEVIP.

Our Contribution.

- We propose an iterative method with inertial extrapolation step for solving SEFPP in real Banach spaces more general than real Hilbert spaces, and use the result to approximate solutions of split equality equilibrium problem (SEEP), split equality variational inclusion problem (SEVIP) and split equality problem (SEP).
- Our propose method does no require the assumption that $\sum \theta_n ||x_n x_{n-1}|| < \infty$ or its alternatives imposed on θ_n in many inertial-type algorithms (see, e.g., [3, 4, 27]).
- Our propose method extends and generalizes the methods of of Li et al. [27] and Chuasuk et al. [21] to give inertial algorithms for approximating solutions of SEFPP, SEP, SEVIP and SEEP in real Banach spaces more general than real Hilbert spaces. Furthermore, unlike in [27] and [21] where weak convergence theorems were proved, we prove strong convergence theorems in the more general setting considered here.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Let *E* be a real normed space. The normalized duality map *J* from *E* to 2^{E^*} is defined by

$$Jx := \{x^* \in E^* : \langle x, x^* \rangle = \|x\|^2 = \|x^*\|^2, \, \forall \, x \in E\}.$$

Remark 2.3. It is well-known that if *E* is smooth, then *J* is single-valued and if *E* is strictly convex, *J* is one-to-one, and *J* is surjective if *E* is reflexive. Furthermore, if *E* is uniformly smooth and uniformly convex, then the dual space E^* is also uniformly smooth and uniformly convex and the normalized duality map *J* and its inverse, J^{-1} , are both uniformly continuous on bounded sets.

Let *E* be a smooth real Banach space and $\phi : E \times E \to \mathbb{R}$ be a mapping defined by,

(2.8)
$$\phi(x,y) = \|x\|^2 - 2\langle x, Jy \rangle + \|y\|^2, \ \forall x, y \in E,$$

where *J* is the normalized duality mapping. This function was introduced by Alber [1] and has been studied extensively by many authors (see, e.g., [2, 17, 18, 25]). It is easy to see from the definition of ϕ that, in a real Hilbert space *H*, equation (2.8) reduces to $\phi(x, y) = ||x - y||^2, \forall x, y \in H$.

Furthermore, given $x, y \in E$, the function ϕ has the following properties:

(2.9)
$$(\|x\| - \|y\|)^2 \le \phi(x, y) \le (\|x\| + \|y\|)^2$$

(2.10)
$$\phi(x,y) \le \|x\| \|Jx - Jy\| + \|y\| \|x - y\|.$$

Define a mapping $V : E \times E^* \to \mathbb{R}$ by

$$V(x, x^*) = \|x\|^2 - 2\langle x, x^* \rangle + \|x^*\|^2.$$

It is easy to see that

$$V(x, x^*) = \phi(x, J^{-1}x^*), \forall x \in E, x^* \in E^*.$$

Definition 2.1. Let *E* be a smooth, strictly convex and reflexive real Banach space and let *C* be a nonempty closed and convex subset of *E*. The map $\Pi_C : E \to C$ defined by $\tilde{x} = \Pi_C(x) \in C$ such that $\phi(\tilde{x}, x) = \inf_{y \in C} \phi(y, x)$ is called the *generalized projection* of *E*

onto *C*. Clearly, in a real Hilbert space *H*, the generalized projection Π_C coincides with the metric projection P_C from *H* onto *C*.

Definition 2.2. Let E_1 and E_2 be two reflexive, strictly convex and smooth real Banach spaces. The collection of mappings $A : E_1 \to E_2$ that are linear and continuous is a normed linear space with norm defined by $||A|| = \sup_{||x|| \le 1} ||Ax||$. The dual operator $A^* : E_2^* \longrightarrow E_1^*$ defined by $\langle A^*y^*, x \rangle = \langle y^*, Ax \rangle$, $\forall x \in E_1, y^* \in E_2^*$ is called the adjoint operator of A. The adjoint operator A^* has the property $||A^*|| = ||A||$.

Definition 2.3. Let *C* be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a real Banach space *E* and let $T : C \to C$ be any mapping. Then: *T* is said to be quasi- ϕ -nonexpansive if $F(T) := \{x \in C : Tx = x\} \neq \emptyset$ and

$$\phi(x, Ty) \le \phi(x, y) \ \forall \ x \in F(T), \ y \in C.$$

Lemma 2.1 ([25]). Let E be a uniformly convex and uniformly smooth real Banach space and $\{x_n\}, \{y_n\}$ be sequences in E such that either $\{x_n\}$ or $\{y_n\}$ is bounded. If $\lim_{n\to\infty} \phi(x_n, y_n) = 0$, then, $\lim_{n\to\infty} ||x_n - y_n|| = 0$.

Remark 2.4. Using inequality (2.10), it is easy to see that the converse of Lemma 2.1 is also true whenever $\{x_n\}$ and $\{y_n\}$ are both bounded.

Lemma 2.2 ([2]). Let *E* be a reflexive, strictly convex and smooth real Banach Space with dual E^* . Then

$$V(x,x^*) + 2\langle J^{-1}x^* - x, y^* \rangle \le V(x,x^* + y^*), \ \forall \, x \in E, \, x^*, y^* \in E^*.$$

Lemma 2.3 ([34]). Let E be 2-uniformly convex and smooth real Banach space. Then, J^{-1} is $\frac{1}{c}$ -Lipschitzian from E^* to E, i.e., for all $u, v \in E^*$, we have that

$$||J^{-1}u - J^{-1}v|| \le \frac{1}{c}||u - v||, \text{ for some } c > 0.$$

Lemma 2.4 ([1]). Let C be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a reflexive, strictly convex and smooth Banach space E. Then

$$\phi(u, \Pi_C y) + \phi(\Pi_C y, y) \le \phi(u, y), \ \forall \ u \in C, \ y \in E.$$

Lemma 2.5 ([33]). Let C be a nonempty closed and convex subset of a reflexive, strictly convex and smooth Banach space $E, A : E \to 2^{E_1^*}$ be a maximal monotone operator with $A^{-1}(0) \neq \emptyset$, then for any $x \in E, y \in A^{-1}(0)$ and r > 0 we have

$$\phi(y, Q_r^A x) + \phi(Q_r^A x, x) \le \phi(y, x),$$

where $Q_r^A : E \to E$ is defined by $Q_r^A x := (J + rA)^{-1} J x$.

3. MAIN RESULTS

We present in this section the main results of this paper.

3.1. Strong convergence theorem.

Theorem 3.3. Let E_1 and E_2 be uniformly smooth and 2-uniformly convex real Banach spaces and E_3 be a uniformly smooth real Banach space. Let $A : E_1 \to E_3$ and $B : E_2 \to E_3$ (such that $A, B \neq 0$) be bounded linear operators with adjoints A^* and B^* , respectively. Let $T : E_1 \to E_1$ and $S: E_2 \to E_2$ be closed quasi- ϕ -nonexpansive mappings. Setting $\Gamma = \{(x, y) \in F(T) \times$ F(S): Ax = By and assuming $\Gamma \neq \emptyset$. Let $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ be a sequence generated by

$$(3.11) \begin{cases} x_0, x_1 \in E_1, \ y_0, y_1 \in E_2, \ C_1 = E_1, \ Q_1 = E_2, \ e_n = J_{E_3}(Aw_n - Bt_n); \\ w_n = x_n + \alpha_n(x_n - x_{n-1}), \ u_n = J_{E_1}^{-1}(J_{E_1}w_n - \gamma A^*e_n); \\ r_n = J_{E_1}^{-1}(a_n J_{E_1}u_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_1}Tu_n); \\ t_n = y_n + \alpha_n(y_n - y_{n-1}), \ v_n = J_{E_2}^{-1}(J_{E_2}t_n + \gamma B^*e_n); \\ z_n = J_{E_2}^{-1}(a_n J_{E_2}v_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_2}Sv_n); \\ C_{n+1} = \{u \in C_n : \phi(u, r_n) \le \phi(u, w_n)\}; \\ Q_{n+1} = \{v \in Q_n : \phi(v, z_n) \le \phi(v, t_n)\}; \\ x_{n+1} = \Pi_{C_{n+1}}x_1, \ y_{n+1} = \Pi_{Q_{n+1}}y_1; \ n \ge 1. \end{cases}$$

where $0 < a_n < 1, \alpha \in (0,1)$ $0 < \gamma < \frac{c}{\|A\|^2 + \|B\|^2}$, $c = \min\{c_1, c_2\}$ where c_1, c_2 are constants as in Lemma 2.3. Then $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ converges to some point (x^*, y^*) in Γ .

Proof. We divide the proof into 4 steps.

Step 1. We show that C_n and Q_n are closed and convex for any $n \ge 1$. Since $C_1 = E_1$, $Q_1 = E_2$, C_1 and Q_1 are closed and convex. Assume C_n and Q_n are closed and convex for some $n \ge 1$. Since for any $(u, v) \in C_n \times Q_n$,

$$\phi(u, r_n) \le \phi(u, w_n) \Leftrightarrow 2\langle u, Jw_n - Jr_n \rangle \le \|w_n\|^2 - \|r_n\|^2$$

and

$$\phi(v, z_n) \le \phi(v, t_n) \Leftrightarrow 2\langle v, Jt_n - Jz_n \rangle \le ||t_n||^2 - ||z_n||^2,$$

its easy to deduce that C_{n+1} and Q_{n+1} are closed and convex. Therefore, C_n and Q_n are closed and convex for any $n \ge 1$.

Step 2. We prove that $\Gamma \subset C_n \times Q_n$ for any $n \ge 1$. Let $K_1 := C_1 \times Q_1$ and

$$K_{n+1} := \{(u, v) \in C_n \times Q_n : \phi(u, r_n) + \phi(v, z_n) \le \phi(u, w_n) + \phi(v, t_n)\}.$$

Then, by construction $K_n \subset C_n \times Q_n$.

Claim. $\Gamma \subset K_n$, for any $n \ge 1$. Clearly, $\Gamma \subset C_1 \times Q_1$. Assume $\Gamma \subset K_n$ for some $n \ge 1$. Let $(x, y) \in \Gamma$, then

(3.12)

$$\phi(x, r_n) = \phi(x, J_{E_1}^{-1}(a_n J_{E_1} u_n + (1 - a_n) J_{E_1} T u_n))$$

$$= V(x, a_n J_{E_1} u_n + (1 - a_n) J_{E_1} T u_n)$$

$$\leq a_n V(x, J_{E_1} u_n) + (1 - a_n) V(x, J_{E_1} T u_n)$$

$$= a_n \phi(x, u_n) + (1 - a_n) \phi(x, T u_n)$$

$$\leq \phi(x, u_n).$$

By Lemma 2.2 we get

(3.13)

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi(x,u_n) &= \phi(x, J_{E_1}^{-1}(J_{E_1}w_n - \gamma A^*J_{E_3}(Aw_n - Btn))) \\
&= V(x, J_{E_1}w_n - \gamma A^*J_{E_3}(Aw_n - Btn))) \\
&\leq V(x, J_{E_1}w_n) - 2\gamma \langle J_{E_1}^{-1}(J_{E_1}w_n - \gamma A^*e_n) - x, A^*e_n \rangle
\end{aligned}$$

$$\leq V(x, J_{E_1}w_n) - 2\gamma \langle J_{E_1}^{-1}(J_{E_1}w_n - \gamma A^*e_n) - x,$$

= $\phi(x, w_n) - 2\gamma \langle Au_n - Ax, e_n \rangle.$

Thus,

(3.14)
$$\phi(x, r_n) \le \phi(x, w_n) - 2\gamma \langle Au_n - Ax, e_n \rangle$$

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Using a similar argument, we obtain that

(3.15)
$$\phi(y, z_n) \le \phi(y, t_n) - 2\gamma \langle By - Bv_n, e_n \rangle.$$

Adding inequalities (3.14) and (3.15) and using the fact that Ax = By, we get

(3.16)
$$\phi(x,r_n) + \phi(y,z_n) \le \phi(x,w_n) + \phi(y,t_n) - 2\gamma \langle Au_n - Bv_n, e_n \rangle.$$

Using the fact that $e_n = J_{E_3}(Aw_n - Bt_n)$, we estimate as follows

$$(3.17) = -2\gamma \langle Au_{n} - Bv_{n}, e_{n} \rangle$$

$$= -2\gamma \|Aw_{n} - Bt_{n}\|^{2} - 2\gamma \langle Au_{n} - Bv_{n}, e_{n} \rangle + 2\gamma \langle Aw_{n} - Bt_{n}, e_{n} \rangle$$

$$= -2\gamma \|Aw_{n} - Bt_{n}\|^{2} + 2\gamma \langle A(w_{n} - u_{n}), e_{n} \rangle + 2\gamma \langle B(v_{n} - t_{n}), e_{n} \rangle$$

$$= -2\gamma \|Aw_{n} - Bt_{n}\|^{2} + 2\gamma \langle J_{E_{1}}^{-1}J_{E_{1}}w_{n} - J_{E_{1}}^{-1}(J_{E_{1}}w_{n} - \gamma A^{*}e_{n}), A^{*}e_{n} \rangle$$

$$+ 2\gamma \langle J_{E_{2}}^{-1}(J_{E_{2}}t_{n} + \gamma B^{*}e_{n}) - J_{E_{2}}^{-1}J_{E_{2}}t_{n}, B^{*}e_{n} \rangle$$

$$\leq -2\gamma \|Aw_{n} - Bt_{n}\|^{2} + \frac{2\gamma^{2}\|A\|^{2}}{c} \|(Aw_{n} - Bt_{n}))\|^{2} + \frac{2\gamma^{2}\|B\|^{2}}{c} \|(Aw_{n} - Bt_{n})\|^{2}$$

$$(3.17) = -\left(2\gamma - \frac{2\gamma^{2}(\|A\|^{2} + \|B\|^{2})}{c}\right) \|(Aw_{n} - Bt_{n})\|^{2}.$$

Substituting inequality (3.17) in inequality (3.16) and using the fact that $0 < \gamma < \frac{c}{\|A\|^2 + \|B\|^2}$, we have that

(3.18)

$$\phi(x, r_n) + \phi(y, z_n) \leq \phi(x, w_n) + \phi(y, t_n) \\
- \left(2\gamma - \frac{2\gamma^2(\|A\|^2 + \|B\|^2)}{c}\right) \|(Aw_n - Bt_n)\|^2 \\
\leq \phi(x, w_n) + \phi(y, t_n).$$

Hence $\Gamma \subset K_n$, for any $n \ge 1$. Thus, $\Gamma \subset C_n \times Q_n$, for any $n \ge 1$.

Step 3. We shall show that $\lim_{n \to \infty} (x_n, y_n) = (x^*, y^*) \in E_1 \times E_2$.

Let $(u, v) \in \Gamma$. Since $\Gamma \subset C_{n+1} \times Q_{n+1} \subset C_n \times Q_n$ and $x_{n+1} = \prod_{C_{n+1}} x_1 \subset C_n$, then by Lemma 2.4 we have that

$$\phi(x_n, x_1) = \phi(\Pi_{C_n} x_1, x_1) \le \phi(u, x_1) - \phi(u, x_n)$$

which implies $\{\phi(x_n, x_1)\}$ is bounded. Furthermore, $\phi(x_n, x_1) \leq \phi(x_{n+1}, x_1)$. Hence $\{\phi(x_n, x_1)\}$ is nondecreasing. Thus, $\lim_{n\to\infty} \phi(x_n, x_1)$ exists. By inequality (2.9), $\{x_n\}$ is bounded and consequently $\{w_n\}$ is bounded. Similarly, $\phi(y_n, y_1)$ is convergent and by inequality (2.9), $\{y_n\}$ is bounded and consequently $\{t_n\}$ is bounded.

By Lemma 2.4 we have that

$$\phi(x_m, x_n) = \phi(x_m, \Pi_{C_n} x_1) \le \phi(x_m, x_1) - \phi(x_n, x_1) \to 0, \text{ as } n, m \to \infty$$

Hence, by Lemma 2.1 we obtain that $||x_m - x_n|| \to 0$, as $m, n \to \infty$, which implies that $x_n \to x^* \in E_1$, as $n \to \infty$. Following similar argument, we also obtain that $y_n \to y^* \in E_2$, as $n \to \infty$.

Step 4. We show that $(x^*, y^*) \in \Gamma$.

Using the definition of w_n and t_n , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \|x_n - w_n\| &= \|\alpha_n (x_{n-1} - x_n)\| \le \|x_{n-1} - x_n\| \to 0, \text{ as } n \to \infty, \\ \|y_n - t_n\| &= \|\alpha_n (y_{n-1} - y_n)\| \le \|y_{n-1} - y_n\| \to 0, \text{ as } n \to \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Since w_n and t_n are bounded, by Remark 2.4 we have that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \phi(x_n, w_n) = 0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} \phi(y_n, t_n).$$

Since $(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}) \in C_{n+1} \times Q_{n+1}$, we have that

$$\begin{split} \phi(x_{n+1},r_n) &\leq \phi(x_{n+1},w_n) \to 0, \text{ as } n \to \infty, \\ \phi(y_{n+1},z_n) &\leq \phi(y_{n+1},t_n) \to 0, \text{ as } n \to \infty. \end{split}$$

Therefore, $\lim_{n\to\infty} \phi(x_{n+1}, r_n) = 0 = \lim_{n\to\infty} \phi(y_{n+1}, z_n)$. Hence, by Lemma 2.1, we have that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \|x_{n+1} - r_n\| = 0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} \|y_{n+1} - z_n\|.$$

Therefore, $r_n \to x^*$. and $z_n \to y^*$. as $n \to \infty$. Let $\varepsilon = \left(2\gamma - \frac{2\gamma^2(||A||^2 + ||B||^2)}{c}\right)$, then from inequality (3.18) we have that

$$\varepsilon \|(Aw_n - Bt_n)\|^2 \le \phi(x, w_n) + \phi(y, t_n) - \phi(x, w_n) - \phi(y, t_n).$$

This implies that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\varepsilon \|Aw_n - Bt_n\|^2 \right) \le \lim_{n \to \infty} \left(\phi(x, w_n) + \phi(y, t_n) - \phi(x, w_n) - \phi(y, t_n) \right) \\ = \phi(x, x^*) + \phi(y, y^*) - \phi(x, x^*) - \phi(y, y^*) = 0.$$

Using the condition on γ we get

(3.19)
$$0 = \lim_{n \to \infty} \|Aw_n - Bt_n\| = \|Ax^* - By^*\|$$

which implies

$$Ax^* = By^*.$$

Next, we show that $(x^*, y^*) \in F(T) \times F(S)$. Using Lemma 2.3 we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} |u_n - x^*\| &= \|J_{E_1}^{-1} (J_{E_1} w_n - \gamma A^* e_n) - J_{E_1}^{-1} J_{E_1} x^*\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{c} \|J_{E_1} w_n - \gamma A^* e_n - J_{E_1} x^*\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{c} (\|J_{E_1} w_n - J_{E_1} x^*\| + \gamma \|A\| \|Aw_n - Bt_n\|). \end{aligned}$$

Using equation (3.19) and the fact that the normalized duality mapping $J_{E_1}^{-1}$ is uniformly continuous on bounded subsets of E_1 , this implies that $\lim_{n\to\infty} u_n = x^*$. Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \|J_{E_1}r_n - J_{E_1}x^*\| &= \|a_n J_{E_1}u_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_1}Tu_n - J_{E_1}x^*\| \\ &= \|(1 - a_n)(J_{E_1}Tu_n - J_{E_1}x^*) - a_n(J_{E_1}x^* - J_{E_1}u_n)\| \\ &\ge (1 - a_n)\|J_{E_1}Tu_n - J_{E_1}x^*\| - a_n\|J_{E_1}x^* - J_{E_1}u_n\|, \end{aligned}$$

implies that $\lim_{n\to\infty} ||J_{E_1}Tu_n - J_{E_1}x^*|| = 0$. By norm-to-weak continuity of $J_{E_1}^{-1}$, we have that $Tu_n \rightharpoonup x^*$ as $n \to \infty$. Furthermore,

$$||Tu_n|| - ||x^*||| = ||J_{E_1}Tu_n|| - ||J_{E_1}x^*||| \le ||J_{E_1}Tu_n - J_{E_1}x^*|| \to 0.$$

Thus, $\lim_{n\to\infty} ||Tu_n|| = ||x^*||$. Hence, by Kadec-Klee property of E_1 , we have that $\lim_{n\to\infty} Tu_n = x^*$. Using this, closeness of T and the fact that $\lim_{n\to\infty} u_n = x^*$, we have that

 $Tx^* = x^*$. Following the same argument, we also have that $Sy^* = y^*$. Thus, $(x^*, y^*) \in F(T) \times F(S)$. This together with (3.20) imply that $(x^*, y^*) \in \Gamma$. This completes the proof.

Corollary 3.1. Let E_1 and E_2 be l_p , $L^p(G)$, or the Sobolev spaces $W^p_m(G)$, $1 and <math>E_3$ be a uniformly smooth real Banach space. Let $A : E_1 \to E_3$ and $B : E_2 \to E_3$ (such that $A, B \ne 0$) be bounded linear operators with adjoints A^* and B^* , respectively. Let $T : E_1 \to E_1$ and $S : E_2 \to E_2$ be closed quasi- ϕ -nonexpansive mappings. Setting $\Gamma = \{(x, y) \in F(T) \times F(S) : Ax = By\}$ and assuming $\Gamma \ne \emptyset$. Let $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ be a sequence generated by (3.11). Then $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ converges to some point (x^*, y^*) in Γ .

4. APPLICATIONS

4.1. Split equality equilibrium problem (SEEP). Let *C* and *Q* be nonempty closed convex subsets of a real Banach space *E*, and let $F : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bifunction. The equilibrium problem with respect to *F* and *C* is to find $z \in C$ such that

$$F(z, y) \ge 0, \forall y \in C.$$

The set of solutions of the equilibrium problem above is denoted by EP(F). For solving the equilibrium problem, we assume that *F* satisfies the following conditions:

- (A1) F(x, x) = 0, for all $x \in C$;
- (A2) *F* is monotone, i.e., $F(x, y) + F(y, x) \le 0, \forall x, y \in C$;
- (A3) for each $x, y, z \in C$, $\lim_{t \downarrow 0} F(tz + (1 t)x, y) \le F(x, y)$;
- (A4) for each $x \in C$, $y \mapsto F(x, y)$ is nonvex and lower semi continuous.

The split equality equilibrium problem is finding

 $x^* \in C, y^* \in Q$ such that $f(x^*, x) \ge 0, h(y^*, y) \ge 0$ and $Ax^* = By^*$, for all $x \in C, y \in Q$ and $f : C \times C \to \mathbb{R}$ $h : Q \times Q \to \mathbb{R}$ are bifunctions satisfying (A_1) to (A_4) . We shall denote the solution set of SEEP by Ω .

Lemma 4.6 ([38]). Let *E* be a reflexive, strictly convex and uniformly smooth Banach space, and *C* be a nonempty closed convex subset of *E*. Let $F : C \times C \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bifunction satisfying conditions (A1)-(A4), then for any $x \in E$ and r > 0, there exists a unique point $z \in C$ such that

$$F(z,y) + \frac{1}{r} \langle y - z, jz - jx \rangle \ge 0, \ \forall \ y \in C$$

Lemma 4.7 ([38]). *let* E *be a reflexive, strictly convex and smooth Banach space, and* C *be a nonempty closed convex subset of* E. *Let* $F : C \times C \to \mathbb{R}$ *be a bifunction satisfying conditions (A1)-(A4), then for any* $x \in E$ *and* r > 0*, define a mapping* $T_r : E \to C$ *by:*

$$T_r x = \{ x \in C : F(z, y) + \frac{1}{r} \langle y - z, jz - jx \rangle \ge 0, \ \forall y \in C \}.$$

Then the following hold;

- (1) T_r is single-valued;
- (2) T_r is firmly nonexpansive type, i.e.

$$\langle T_r x - T_r y, J T_r x - J T_r y \rangle \le \langle T_r x - T_r y, x - y \rangle, \ \forall \ x, y \in E;$$

- (3) $F(T_r) = EP(F);$
- (4) EP(F) is closed and convex;
- (5) $\phi(x, T_r u) + \phi(T_r u, u) \le \phi(x, u), \forall x \in F(T_r), u \in E.$

Theorem 4.4. Let E_1 and E_2 be uniformly smooth and 2-uniformly convex real Banach spaces and E_3 be a real Banach space. Let C and Q be nonempty closed and convex subsets of E_1 and E_2 respectively, and $f : C \times C \to \mathbb{R}$ $h : Q \times Q \to \mathbb{R}$ are bifunctions satisfying (A_1) to (A_4) such that EP(f) and EP(h) are nonempty. Let $A : E_1 \to E_3$ and $B : E_2 \to E_3$ be bounded linear operators with adjoints A^* and B^* such that $A, B \neq 0$. Assuming that $\Omega \neq \emptyset$. Let $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ be a sequence generated by

$$(4.21) \begin{cases} x_0, x_1 \in E_1, \ y_0, y_1 \in E_2, \ C_1 = E_1, \ Q_1 = E_2, \ e_n = J_{E_3}(Aw_n - Bt_n); \\ w_n = x_n + \alpha_n(x_n - x_{n-1}), \ u_n = J_{E_1}^{-1}(J_{E_1}w_n - \gamma A^*e_n); \\ r_n = J_{E_1}^{-1}(a_nJ_{E_1}u_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_1}T_ru_n); \\ t_n = y_n + \alpha_n(y_n - y_{n-1}), \ v_n = J_{E_2}^{-1}(J_{E_2}t_n + \gamma B^*e_n); \\ z_n = J_{E_2}^{-1}(a_nJ_{E_2}v_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_2}S_rv_n); \\ C_{n+1} = \{u \in C_n : \phi(u, r_n) \le \phi(u, w_n)\}; \\ Q_{n+1} = \{v \in Q_n : \phi(v, z_n) \le \phi(v, t_n)\}; \\ x_{n+1} = \prod_{C_{n+1}}x_1, \ y_{n+1} = \prod_{Q_{n+1}}y_1; \ n \ge 1, \end{cases}$$

where $T_r x = \{z \in C : f(z, y) + \frac{1}{r} \langle y - z, J_{E_1} z - J_{E_1} x \rangle \ge 0, \forall y \in C\}, x \in E_1, S_r v = \{w \in Q : h(w, y) + \frac{1}{r} \langle y - w, J_{E_2} w - J_{E_2} v \rangle \ge 0, \forall y \in Q\}, v \in E_2, r > 0, 0 < a_n < 1, \alpha \in (0, 1), 0 < \gamma < \frac{c}{\|A\|^2 + \|B\|^2}, c = \min\{c_1, c_2\}, where c_1, c_2 \text{ are constants as in Lemma 2.3.}$ Then $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ converges to some point (x^*, y^*) in Ω .

Proof. Setting $T = T_r$ and $S = S_r$, from Lemma 4.7(3) and (5) we have that S and T are quasi- ϕ -nonexpansive. And by Lemma 4.7(3) and Theorem 3.3 we get the desired result.

4.2. Split Equality Variational Inclusion Problem (SEVIP).

Theorem 4.5. Let E_1 and E_2 be uniformly smooth and 2-uniformly convex real Banach spaces and E_3 be a real Banach space. Let $M : E_1 \to 2^{E_1^*}$ and $N : E_2 \to 2^{E_2^*}$ be maximal montone operators such that $M^{-1}(0)$ and $N^{-1}(0)$ are nonempty. Let $A : E_1 \to E_3$ and $B : E_2 \to E_3$ be bounded linear operators with adjoints A^* and B^* such that $A, B \neq 0$. Assuming that $\Omega =$ $\{(x, y) \in M^{-1}(0) \times N^{-1}(0) : Ax = By\} \neq \emptyset$. Let $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ be a sequence generated by

$$\begin{cases} x_0, x_1 \in E_1, \ y_0, y_1 \in E_2, \ e_n = J_{E_3}(Aw_n - Bt_n); \\ w_n = x_n + \alpha_n(x_n - x_{n-1}), \ u_n = J_{E_1}^{-1}(J_{E_1}w_n - \gamma A^*e_n); \\ r_n = J_{E_1}^{-1}(a_n J_{E_1}u_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_1}Q_r^M u_n); \\ t_n = y_n + \alpha_n(y_n - y_{n-1}), \ v_n = J_{E_2}^{-1}(J_{E_2}t_n + \gamma B^*e_n); \\ z_n = J_{E_2}^{-1}(a_n J_{E_2}v_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_2}Q_r^N v_n); \\ C_{n+1} = \{u \in C_n : \phi(u, r_n) \le \phi(u, w_n)\}; \\ Q_{n+1} = \{v \in Q_n : \phi(v, z_n) \le \phi(v, t_n)\}; \\ x_{n+1} = \Pi_{C_{n+1}}x_1, \ y_{n+1} = \Pi_{Q_{n+1}}y_1; \ n \ge 1, \end{cases}$$

where $Q_r^M = (J_{E_1} + rM)^{-1}J_{E_1}$, $Q_r^N = (J_{E_2} + rN)^{-1}J_{E_2}$, $0 < a_n < 1$, $\alpha \in (0,1)$, $0 < \gamma < \frac{c}{\|A\|^2 + \|B\|^2}$, $c = \min\{c_1, c_2\}$, where c_1, c_2 are constants as in Lemma 2.3. Then $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ converges to some point (x^*, y^*) in Ω .

Proof. Setting $T = Q_r^M$ and $S = Q_r^N$, from Lemma 2.5 we have that Q_r^M and Q_r^N are quasi- ϕ -nonexpansive. And by Theorem 3.3 we get the desired result.

(4.22)

4.3. Split equality problem. The split equality problem is to find

 $x \in c, y \in Q$ such that Ax = By.

Theorem 4.6. Let E_1 and E_2 be uniformly smooth and 2-uniformly convex real Banach spaces and E_3 be a real Banach space. Let $A : E_1 \to E_3$ and $B : E_2 \to E_3$ be bounded linear operators with adjoints A^* and B^* such that $A, B \neq 0$. Assuming $\Gamma \neq \emptyset$. Let $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ be a sequence generated by

$$(4.23) \qquad \begin{cases} x_0, x_1 \in E_1, \ y_0, y_1 \in E_2, \ C_1 = E_1, \ Q_1 = E_2, \ e_n = J_{E_3}(Aw_n - Bt_n); \\ w_n = x_n + \alpha_n(x_n - x_{n-1}), \ u_n = J_{E_1}^{-1}(J_{E_1}w_n - \gamma A^*e_n); \\ r_n = J_{E_1}^{-1}(a_n J_{E_1}u_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_1}\Pi_C u_n); \\ t_n = y_n + \alpha_n(y_n - y_{n-1}), \ v_n = J_{E_2}^{-1}(J_{E_2}t_n + \gamma B^*e_n); \\ z_n = J_{E_2}^{-1}(a_n J_{E_2}v_n + (1 - a_n)J_{E_2}\Pi_Q v_n); \\ C_{n+1} = \{u \in C_n : \phi(u, r_n) \le \phi(u, w_n)\}; \\ Q_{n+1} = \{v \in Q_n : \phi(v, z_n) \le \phi(v, t_n)\}; \\ x_{n+1} = \Pi_{C_{n+1}}x_1, \ y_{n+1} = \Pi_{Q_{n+1}}y_1; \ n \ge 1, \end{cases}$$

where $0 < a_n < 1$, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, $0 < \gamma < \frac{c}{\|A\|^2 + \|B\|^2}$, $c = \min\{c_1, c_2\}$, where c_1, c_2 are constants as in Lemma 2.3. Then $\{(x_n, y_n)\}$ converges to some point (x^*, y^*) in Γ .

Proof. Setting $T = \Pi_C$ and $S = \Pi_Q$, from Lemma 2.4 we have that Π_C and Π_Q are quasi- ϕ -nonexpansive. And by Theorem 3.3 we get the desired result.

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