

## On Positive Fixed Points of Countably Condensing Mappings

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**Abstract.** In this paper, we study the following equation

$$x = Tx$$

in a cone  $P$  of a Banach space  $X$ , where  $T : \overline{\Omega} \cap P \rightarrow X$  is a countably condensing mapping,  $\Omega$  is an open bounded subset of  $X$ . Existence results are obtained under suitable boundary conditions, and our results generalize the corresponding results in Petryshyn [16].

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $X$  be a real Banach space and  $T : D(T) \subseteq X \rightarrow X$  be a nonlinear mapping.  $T$  is said to be *countably condensing* (respectively, *countably  $k$ -set contraction*) if

$$\alpha(T(E)) < \alpha(E) \quad (\text{respectively, } \alpha(T(E)) \leq k\alpha(E)),$$

where  $k > 0$  is a constant for any countably bounded subset  $E$  of  $D(T)$  satisfying  $\alpha(E) \neq 0$ , where  $\alpha(\cdot)$  is the Kuratowski measure of non-compactness. We refer the reader to [1], [4], [5], [10] and [17] for a discussion of countably condensing mappings.

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