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## EXISTENCE OF BEST PROXIMITY POINTS OF P-CYCLIC CONTRACTIONS

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**Abstract.** We consider a self map T on union of p subsets,  $A_1, A_2, ..., A_p, (p \ge 2)$  of a metric space, which is a contraction under the condition  $T(A_i) \subseteq A_{i+1}, 1 \le i \le p, (A_{p+1} = A_1)$ . We give sufficient conditions for the existence of a unique best proximity point of T, that is, a point  $\xi \in A_i$ , such that  $d(\xi, T\xi) = dist(A_i, A_{i+1})$  and approximation of this point by a Picard type iterative method. **Key Words and Phrases:** Best proximity point, uniformly convex Banach space, contraction. **2010 Mathematics Subject Classification**: 54H25, 47H10.

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