

LECTURE 10

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① FIXED POINTS & FIXED POINT THEOREMS

- Brouwer
- Contractions
- Bellman equation

② CORRESPONDENCES

- Kakutani

FIXED POINTS

$f: X \rightarrow X$
operator

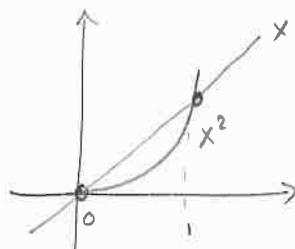
$x \in X$ fixed point if $f(x) = x$

EX: $f(x) = x^2$

$$x^2 = x$$

$$x(x-1) = 0$$

$$\underline{x=0} \wedge \underline{x=1}$$



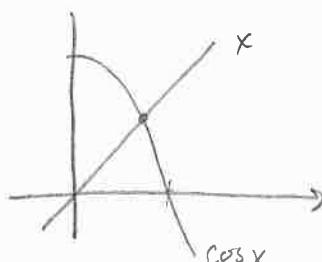
$f: [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1]$

two fixed points

EX $f(x) = \cos x$

$$\cos x = x$$

Hard to find,
but exists.

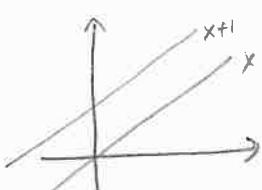


$f: [0, \frac{\pi}{2}] \rightarrow [0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$

one fixed point.

EX $f(x) = x+1$

$$x+1 = x$$

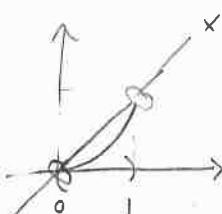


No fixed point

$f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
(not bounded)

EX $f(x) = x^2$

$$x^2 = x$$



$f: (0,1) \rightarrow (0,1)$

$(0,1)$ not closed

EX A $n \times n$ -matrix

$A: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$
 $\underline{x} \mapsto Ax$

Fixed points are solutions to:

$A\underline{x} = \underline{x}$, so eigenvector corresponding to $\lambda = 1$,

(Equilibrium in Markov Chains)

BROUWER's FIXED POINT THM

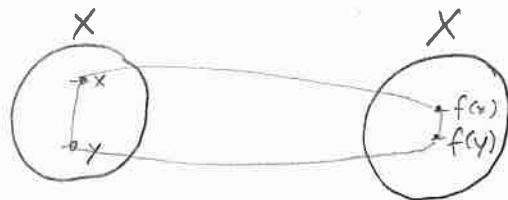
K non-empty, compact, convex
 $f: K \rightarrow K$ continuous } $f: K \rightarrow K$ has a fixed point

- "You can't change everything at once in a continuous way."
- Only existence
- At least one

CONTRACTIONS - functions that "shrink"

(X, d) metric space

$f: X \rightarrow X$ is called



a CONTRACTION if there is a β with $0 < \beta < 1$
s.t.

$$d(f(x), f(y)) \leq \beta \cdot d(x, y) \quad (\text{i.e. } d(f(x), f(y)) < d(x, y))$$

for all $x, y \in X$.

EX: $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x$ $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$d(f(x), f(y)) = d\left(\frac{1}{2}x, \frac{1}{2}y\right)$$

$$= \left| \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{2}y \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}|x - y|$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}d(x, y), \text{ so a contraction with } \beta = \frac{1}{2}$$

FACT: All contractions are continuous.

Given $\epsilon > 0$, choose $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{\beta}$.

FIXED POINT THM FOR CONTRACTIONS

If $X = (X, d)$ is a non-empty, complete metric space
and $f: X \rightarrow X$ is a contraction,
then f has a unique fixed point.

PROOF BY CONSTRUCTION

Construct a sequence in X by $x_0 \in X$
 $x_1 = f(x_0)$
 $x_2 = f(x_1) = f^2(x_0)$

Need to show that this converges to $x \in X$,
but since X is assumed to be complete, it is
enough to prove that $\{x_i\}$ is a Cauchy sequence.

Observe that

$$d(x_1, x_2) = d(f(x_0), f(x_1)) \leq \beta d(x_0, x_1)$$

$$d(x_2, x_3) = d(f(x_1), f(x_2)) \leq \beta d(x_0, x_1) \leq \beta^2 d(x_0, x_1)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$d(x_n, x_{n+1}) \leq \beta^n d(x_0, x_1)$$

Let $m > n$ and consider

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_m) &\stackrel{\Delta}{\leq} d(x_n, x_{n+1}) + d(x_{n+1}, x_{n+2}) + \dots + d(x_{m-1}, x_m) \\ &\leq \beta^n d(x_0, x_1) + \beta^{n+1} d(x_0, x_1) + \dots + \beta^{m-1} d(x_0, x_1) \\ &= d(x_0, x_1) \sum_{k=n}^{m-1} \beta^k \\ &= d(x_0, x_1) \beta^n \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{m-n-1} \beta^k \quad \leftarrow 1 \\ &= d(x_0, x_1) \beta^n \cdot \frac{(1 - \beta^{m-n})}{1 - \beta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq d(x_0, x_1) \cdot \frac{\beta^n}{1 - \beta} \quad \text{choose } N \text{ s.t.} , \text{ so Cauchy}$$

\downarrow
Fixed

$$\frac{\beta^N}{1 - \beta} d(x_0, x_1) < \epsilon$$

Since X complete $\{x_n\} \rightarrow x^*$

Since f is continuous.

$$\begin{aligned} f(x^*) &= f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) \stackrel{\Delta}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(x_n)) \left(= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{n+1}(x_0) \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n+1} \\ &= x^* \end{aligned}$$

so x^* is a fixed point.

• Uniqueness: Assume y^* is another fixed point:

$$x^* \neq y^*. \text{ Then } d(x^*, y^*) > 0$$

Since x^* and y^* are fixed points, and f a contraction

$$d(x^*, y^*) = d(f(x^*), f(y^*)) \leq \beta d(x^*, y^*)$$

gives a contradiction. $0 < \beta < 1$

BACK TO THE BELLMAN EQUATION (INFINITE HORIZON)

$$J(x) = J_0(x) = \max_{u_t} \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t f(x_t, u_t) \text{ with } \begin{array}{l} x_0 \text{ given} \\ x_{t+1} = g(x_t, u_t) \\ u_t \in U \subset \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

Bellman equation $J(x) = \max_{u \in U} \{ f(x, u) + \beta J(g(x, u)) \}$

if bounded and $\alpha < \beta < 1 \Rightarrow J(x)$ bounded

f, g continuous $\Rightarrow J(x)$ continuous

so $J(x) \in B(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ vector space of bounded and cont. realvalued functions on \mathbb{R} ,

SET UP

$$\begin{aligned} T: B(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) &\longrightarrow B(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R}) && \text{bounded} \\ J &\longmapsto x \mapsto \max_{u \in U} \{ f(x, u) + \beta J(g(x, u)) \} \end{aligned}$$

CLAIM (1) T is a contraction (sup-norm)

Have $d(J_1, J_2) = \sup |J_1 - J_2|$

and $T(J_1)(x) = \sup [f(x, u) + \beta J_1(g(x, u)) + \underbrace{\beta J_2(g(x, u)) - J_1(g(x, u))}_{+0-}]$

Reordering terms

$$= \sup [f(x, u) + \beta J_2(g(x, u)) + \beta (J_1(g(x, u)) - J_2(g(x, u)))]$$

$$\leq T(J_2)(x) + \beta d(J_1, J_2),$$

and conversely, so

$$d(T(J_1), T(J_2)) = \sup |T(J_1)(x) - T(J_2)(x)| \leq \beta d(J_1, J_2)$$

CLAIM 2: $X = B(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$ is complete (with sup-norm).

Need to show that every Cauchy sequence in X is convergent.

- Let $\{f_n\}$ be a Cauchy sequence in X :

Given $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists N > 0$ s.t.

$$\|f_n - f_m\|_{\infty} < \epsilon \quad \forall n, m \geq N.$$

Since sup-norm, we have for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$|f_n(x) - f_m(x)| \leq \|f_n - f_m\|_{\infty} < \epsilon.$$

So $\{f_n(x)\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in \mathbb{R} ;

but \mathbb{R} is complete (Earlier lecture),

so $f_n(x) \rightarrow f(x)$, and we have
a function $f: X \rightarrow X$.

- A Cauchy sequence in a normed space must be bounded, so there is $M > 0$ s.t. $\|f_n\|_{\infty} \leq M$.

Since sup-norm, we have for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$|f_n(x)| \leq \|f_n\|_{\infty} \leq M,$$

so $M \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_n(x)| = |f(x)|$, and $f(x)$ is bounded, so $f(x) \in X$.

- For each $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and $n \geq N$, take

$$|f_n(x) - f(x)| = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| < \epsilon$$

So for $n \geq N$ $\|f_n - f\|_{\infty} < \epsilon$, and

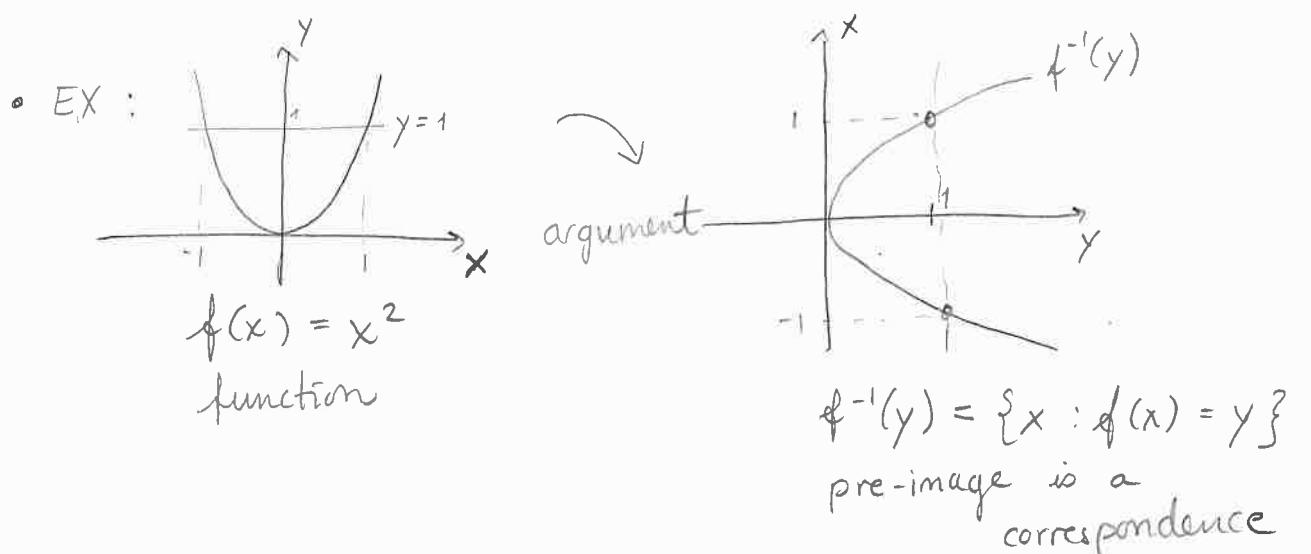
f is the limit of $\{f_n\}$ in $X = B(\mathbb{R}, \mathbb{R})$.

CONCLUSION: T has a unique fixed point

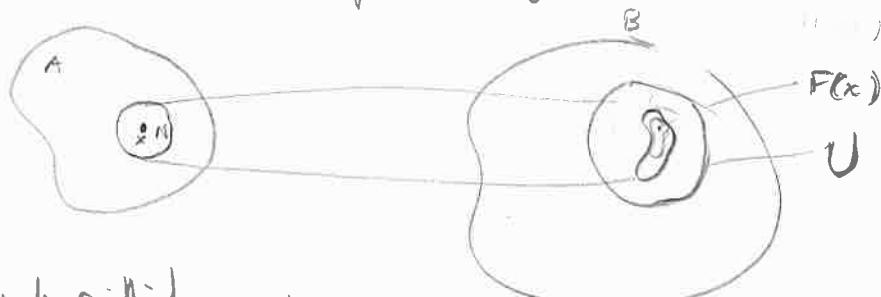
$$T(f^*) = f^*.$$

CORRESPONDENCES

- A CORRESPONDENCE $F: A \rightarrow\!\!\! \rightarrow B$ $x \mapsto F(x)$ is a map that associates with each element $x \in A$ a non-empty subset $F(x) \subseteq B$. In other words: A multivalued function.
- GRAPH of F : $\Gamma(F) = \{(x, y) \in A \times B : x \in A, y \in F(x)\}$
(see PS. 10-2)



- CONTINUITY comes in several different forms!
- One form is needed in a fixed point theorem ...
- F is UPPER HEMI CONTINUOUS at $x \in A$ if (u.h.c)
for every open set U that contains $F(x)$ there exists a neighbourhood N of x such that $F(x) \subseteq U$ for every x in $N \cap A$, i.e. $F(N \cap A) \subseteq U$.



F is u.h.c iff u.h.c at every x in A .

All this very similar
to continuity of
functions

TEST (14.1.3 FMEA) - COMPACT GRAPH FOR U.H.C.

If a correspondence $F: A \rightarrow B$ has a compact graph, then it is upper hemicontinuous.

KAKUTANI'S FIXED POINT THEOREM

Let K be a nonempty, compact, convex set in \mathbb{R}^n and F a correspondence $K \rightarrow K$.

Suppose that a) $F(x)$ is nonempty, convex set in K for each $x \in K$.

b) F is upper hemicontinuous.

Then F has a fixed point x^* in K ,

$$x^* \in F(x^*)$$

NOTE: Kakutani is a generalization of Brouwer
(correspondences) (functions)