

# How can we use Fixed Point Theory in order to help ourself?

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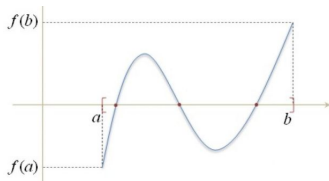
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# INTRODUCTION

$x$  is a **zero** of a mapping  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  if  $f(x) = 0$ .

## Theorem 1 (Bolzano's theorem)

If  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a **continuous** function and  $f(a)f(b) < 0$ , then there exists a point  $x \in (a, b)$  such that  $f(x) = 0$ .



*Proof.* (Bolzano in 1817 and Cauchy in 1821).

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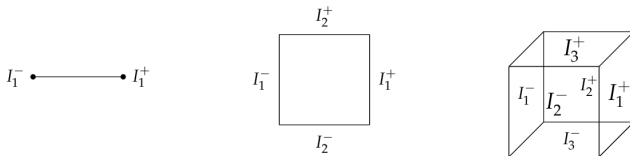
## Theorem 2 (Poincaré-Miranda's theorem)

Let  $P := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x_i| \leq L \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . Suppose that  $F = (f_1, \dots, f_n) : P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a **continuous** mapping on  $P$  such that

(a)  $f_i(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, -L, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) > 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,

(b)  $f_i(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, L, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n) < 0$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Then there exists at least one point  $x \in P$  such that  $F(x) = 0$ .



*Proof.* Poincaré (1883) without proof. The first proof by Miranda (1940).

# NOTATIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

$(\mathbb{B}, \|\cdot\|)$  a Banach space and  $\mathbb{B}^* := \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{B}, \mathbb{R})$  its dual space.

For  $C \subseteq \mathbb{B}$ ,  $\overline{C}$ ,  $\partial C$ ,  $\text{int}(C)$  and  $\text{conv}(C)$  the closure, the boundary, the interior and the convex hull of  $C$ , respectively.

$B_r[x]$  and  $S_r[x]$  the closed ball and the sphere of center  $x$  and radius  $r$ , respectively.

the normalized duality mapping  $J$  at  $x$ , is defined as

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

We introduce a class of functionals  $[\![\cdot, \cdot]\!] : \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfying:

(C<sub>1</sub>)  $[\![x, x]\!] > 0$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$  with  $x \neq 0$ .

(C<sub>2</sub>)  $[\![\lambda x, x]\!] = \lambda [\![x, x]\!]$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{B}$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .

### Example 1

(1) If  $\mathbb{B}$  is a pre-Hilbert space then  $[\![\cdot, \cdot]\!]$  is its inner-product.

(2) In general, if  $\mathbb{B}$  is a Banach space, we may define  $[\![\cdot, \cdot]\!] : \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  as either

$$[\![x, y]\!] = \langle x, y \rangle_+ := \sup_{j(y) \in J(y)} \langle x, j(y) \rangle = \max_{j(y) \in J(y)} \langle x, j(y) \rangle$$

or

$$[\![x, y]\!] = \langle x, y \rangle_- := \inf_{j(y) \in J(y)} \langle x, j(y) \rangle = \min_{j(y) \in J(y)} \langle x, j(y) \rangle.$$

In particular, if  $\mathbb{B}$  is a smooth Banach space, then  $[\![\cdot, \cdot]\!]$  can be given by

$$[\![x, y]\!] = \langle x, J(y) \rangle.$$



# OUR MAIN RESULT

$f : U \subseteq \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  is **completely continuous** if  $f$  is continuous and  $f(C)$  is relative compact for all  $C$  bounded subset of  $U$ .

## Theorem 3

Let  $U$  be a **bounded closed** subset of a Banach space  $\mathbb{B}$  with  $\text{int}(U) \neq \emptyset$ , and  $[\cdot, \cdot] : \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a functional satisfying

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If  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  is a **completely continuous** mapping and there exists  $z \in \text{int}(U)$  such that  $[f(x), x - z]$  has constant sign for all  $x \in \partial U$ , then  $0 \in \overline{f(U)}$ . Moreover, if  $0 \notin \partial f(U) \setminus f(U)$ , then  $0 \in f(U)$ .

# SOME CONSEQUENCES

## Corollary 1

*Let  $\mathbb{B}$  be a Banach space with  $\llbracket \cdot, \cdot \rrbracket : \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a functional satisfying  $(C_1)$  and  $(C_2)$ , and  $z \in X$ . If  $f : B_r[z] \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  is a completely continuous mapping such that  $\llbracket f(x), x - z \rrbracket$  has constant sign for all  $x \in S_r(z)$ , then  $0 \in \overline{f(B_r[z])}$ . Moreover, if  $\mathbb{B}$  is reflexive and  $f$  is weak-strong continuous on  $B_r[z]$ , then  $0 \in f(B_r[z])$ .*

## Corollary 2

*Let  $U$  be a nonempty bounded and closed subset of a Banach space  $\mathbb{B}$  with  $\text{int}(U) \neq \emptyset$ . If  $f : U \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  is a completely continuous mapping and there exists  $z \in \text{int}(U)$  such that either  $f(x) \notin \{\lambda(x - z) : \lambda < 0\}$  for all  $x \in \partial U$  or  $f(x) \notin \{\lambda(x - z) : \lambda > 0\}$  for all  $x \in \partial U$ , then  $0 \in \overline{f(U)}$ .*

## Remark

*As a consequence of the previous result, we obtain*

- Proposition 4 in *Alefeld, Frommer, Heindl, Mayer, On the existence theorems of Kantorovich, Miranda and Borsuk, (2004)*.
- Theorem 1 in *C.H. Morales, A Bolzano's theorem in the new millennium, (2002)*.
- Corollary 3 in *Isac, Some solvability theorems for nonlinear equations with applications to projected dynamical systems, (2009)*.
- A generalization of Poincaré-Bohl's theorem given in *Fonda, Gidoni, Generalizing the Poincaré-Miranda Theorem: The avoiding cones condition, (2016)*.

# CONSEQUENCES IN FINITE DIMENSIONAL SPACES

A subset  $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is said to be a **convex body** if it is a compact convex set with nonempty interior.

Given a point  $x \in \partial D$ , we define the **normal cone** to  $\text{int}(D)$  in  $x$  as

$$\mathcal{N}_D(x) := \{v \in \mathbb{R}^n : \langle v, y - x \rangle < 0, \text{ for every } y \in \text{int}(D)\}$$

where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the Euclidean scalar product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

## Corollary 3

Let  $D$  be a **convex body** in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  endowed with an arbitrary norm  $\| \cdot \|$ . Let  $f : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a **continuous function** and assume that for all  $x \in \partial D$  there exists  $a(x) \in \mathcal{N}_D(x)$  such that  $\langle f(x), a(x) \rangle \geq 0$ , then  $f$  has a zero in  $D$ .

# CONSEQUENCES IN FINITE DIMENSIONAL SPACES

## Proof of Bolzano's Theorem.

$\mathbb{B} = \mathbb{R}$  with  $\|\cdot\| = |\cdot|$ .

Taking  $z = \frac{a+b}{2}$  and  $r = \frac{b-a}{2}$ , we have  $B_r[z] = [a, b]$  and  $S_r(z) = \{a, b\}$ .

We define  $\llbracket x, y \rrbracket = xy$ .

The hypothesis  $f(a)f(b) < 0$ , implies that  $\llbracket f(x), x - z \rrbracket = f(x)(x - z)$  has a constant sign for all  $x \in S_r(z)$ .

Since  $(\mathbb{R}, |\cdot|)$  is finite dimensional Banach space, we may apply Corollary 1 to obtain the result. □

# CONSEQUENCES IN FINITE DIMENSIONAL SPACES

## Proof of Bolzano-Poincaré-Miranda Theorem.

$$P := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x_i| \leq L \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

is a convex body in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and

$$\partial P = \{x \in P : x_i = \pm L \text{ for some } 1 \leq i \leq n\}.$$

If  $x \in \partial P$ , then  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, \pm L, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)$ .

In this case, we take  $a(x) = (0, \dots, 0, \pm L, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathcal{N}_P(x)$ .

Consider the function  $g := -f$ . Bearing in mind conditions (a) and (b), we obtain that

$$\langle g(x), a(x) \rangle = -f_i(x_1, \dots, x_{i-1}, \pm L, x_{i+1}, \dots, x_n)(\pm L) > 0.$$

The above argument says that every conditions in Corollary 3 is satisfied, which allows us to obtain the result. □

# CONSEQUENCES IN INFINITE DIMENSIONAL SPACES

We can use our theorem in order to get several results in infinite dimensional spaces.



# AN APPLICATION TO SYSTEMS OF NONLINEAR EQUATIONS

## Theorem 4

Let  $L$  be a **linear homeomorphism** from  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|)$  into itself such that  $\ell := \min \{ \|L(x)\| : \|x\| = 1 \} > 0$ . Let  $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a **continuous** mapping. If there exists  $R > 0$  such that  $\|g(x)\| \leq \ell R$  for all  $x \in B_R[0]$ , then the nonlinear equation  $L(x) + g(x) = 0$  has at least one solution in  $B_R[0]$ .

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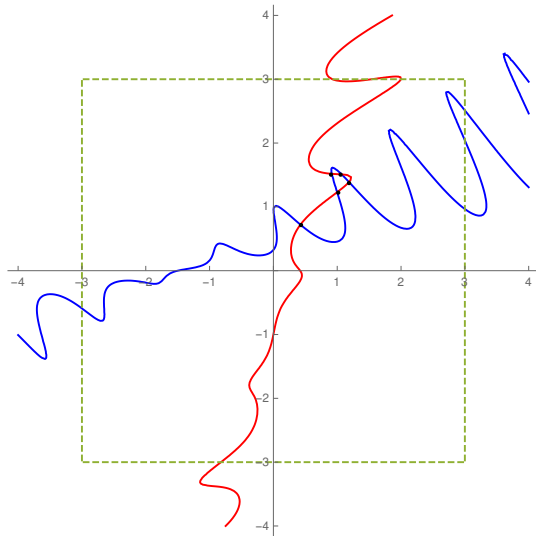
## Example 2

*The system of the nonlinear equations*

$$(S) \begin{cases} -2x + 7y + 4y \cos(5x + 3y) = 3 \\ 7x - 2y - 3x \sin(2x - 5y) = 2 \end{cases}$$

*has at least a solution in  $[-3, 3] \times [-3, 3]$ .*

# AN APPLICATION TO SYSTEMS OF NONLINEAR EQUATIONS



# AN APPLICATION TO DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

We can use our result in order to prove the existence of solutions for the following second order differential equation:

$$\begin{cases} u''(t) = f(t, u(t)) + h(t) \\ u(a) = u(b), \\ u'(a) = u'(b), \end{cases}$$

where  $\mathbb{B}$  is a reflexive real Banach space,  $f : [a, b] \times \mathbb{B} \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  is a sequentially weak-strong continuous mapping and  $h : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{B}$  is a continuous function on  $\mathbb{B}$ .

# AN APPLICATION TO DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

## Example 3

If  $h_1, \dots, h_n : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are continuous functions with  $\int_a^b h_i(t) dt = 0$ , then the problem

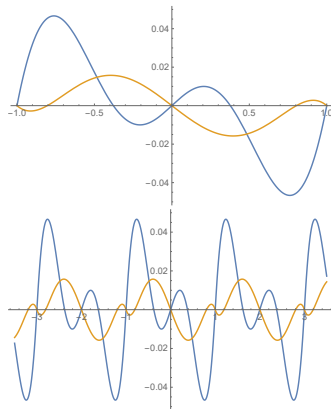
$$\begin{cases} u_1''(t) = \frac{u_1(t)}{1 + |u_1(t)| + \dots + |u_n(t)|} + h_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ u_n''(t) = \frac{u_n(t)}{1 + |u_1(t)| + \dots + |u_n(t)|} + h_n(t) \\ u_1(a) = u_1(b), \dots, u_n(a) = u_n(b), \\ u_1'(a) = u_1'(b), \dots, u_n'(a) = u_n'(b), \end{cases}$$

has at least a solution in  $C^2([a, b], \mathbb{R}^n)$ .

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$$\begin{cases} u_1''(t) = \frac{u_1(t)}{1 + |u_1(t)| + |u_2(t)|} + t - \sin(5t) \\ u_2''(t) = \frac{u_2(t)}{1 + |u_1(t)| + |u_2(t)|} + t - 2t^3 \\ u_1(-1) = u_1(1), u_1'(-1) = u_1'(1), \\ u_2(-1) = u_2(1), u_2'(-1) = u_2'(1), \end{cases}$$

has at least a solution in  $C^2([-1, 1], \mathbb{R}^2)$



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Let  $h_1, \dots, h_n : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous functions with  $\int_a^b h_i(t) dt = 0$  and let  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . Then, the problem

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} u_1''(t) = \frac{u_1(t) \sqrt{(u_1^2(t) + \dots + u_n^2(t))^\alpha}}{1 + \sqrt{u_1^2(t) + \dots + u_n^2(t)}} + h_1(t) \\ \vdots \\ u_n''(t) = \frac{u_n(t) \sqrt{(u_1^2(t) + \dots + u_n^2(t))^\alpha}}{1 + \sqrt{u_1^2(t) + \dots + u_n^2(t)}} + h_n(t) \\ u_1(a) = u_1(b), \dots, u_n(a) = u_n(b), \\ u_1'(a) = u_1'(b), \dots, u_n'(a) = u_n'(b), \end{array} \right.$$

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# AN APPLICATION TO DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS

## Example 5

Let  $\Omega$  be an open convex and bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and consider  $\phi, \rho : [a, b] \times \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  two functions. We can prove the existence of solutions for the following partial differential equation:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2}(t, x) - \rho(t, x) \right) = \phi(t, x) \\ \phi(a, x) - \phi(b, x) = \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}(a, x) - \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial t}(b, x) = 0, \text{ for all } x \in \Omega \\ \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial t^2}(t, x) - \rho(t, x) = 0 \text{ for all } (t, x) \in (a, b) \times \partial\Omega. \end{array} \right.$$



# A FINAL REMARK

## Theorem 5

*The following theorems are equivalent:*

- (a) Brouwer's fixed point theorem.*
- (b) Schauder's fixed point theorem.*
- (c) Theorem 3.*

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