

CONTINUATION METHODS FOR CONTRACTIVE AND NON EXPANSIVE MAPPING (FUNCTION)

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ABSTRACT

It is concerned with continuation methods for contractive and non expansive maps. We show initially that the property of having a fixed point is invariant by homotopy for contractions. Using this result a nonlinear alternative of Leray–Schauder type is presented for contractive maps and subsequently generalized for nonexpansive maps. An application of the nonlinear alternative for contractions is demonstrated with a second order homogeneous Dirichlet problem. Fixed point theory for continuous, single valued maps in finite and infinite dimensional Banach spaces with a discrete boundary value problem.

II. INTRODUCTION

We begin this paper by showing that the property of having a fixed point is invariant by homotopy for contractions.

Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and U an open subset of X .

Definition 1.1 Let $F : U \rightarrow X$ and $G : U \rightarrow X$ be two contractions;

here \bar{U} denotes the closure of U in X .

We say that F and G are homotopic

if there exists $H : U \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ with the following properties:

- (a) $H(\cdot, 0) = G$ and $H(\cdot, 1) = F$;
- (b) $x = H(x, t)$ for every $x \in \partial U$ and $t \in [0, 1]$ (here ∂U denotes the boundary of U in X);
- (c) there exists α , $0 \leq \alpha < 1$, such that $d(H(x, t), H(y, t)) \leq \alpha d(x, y)$
for every $x, y \in U$ and $t \in [0, 1]$;
- (d) there exists M , $M \geq 0$, such that $d(H(x, t), H(x, s)) \leq M |t - s|$ for
every $x \in U$ and $t, s \in [0, 1]$.

Theorem 1.1 Let (X, d) be a complete metric space and U an open subset of X . Suppose that $F : \bar{U} \rightarrow X$ and $G : \bar{U} \rightarrow X$ are two homotopic

contractive maps and G has a fixed point in U . Then F has a fixed point in U .

Proof Consider the set

$$A = \{\lambda \in [0, 1] : x = H(x, \lambda) \text{ for some } x \in \bar{U}\}$$

where H is a homotopy between F and G as described in Definition 3.1.

Notice A is nonempty since G has a fixed point, that is, $0 \in A$. We will

show that A is both open and closed in $[0, 1]$ and hence by connectedness

we have that $A = [0, 1]$. As a result, F has a fixed point in U .

We first show that A is closed in $[0, 1]$. To see this let

$$\{\lambda_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \subset A \text{ with } \lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda \in [0, 1] \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

We must show that $\lambda \in A$. Since $\lambda_n \in A$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$,

there exists

$$x_n \in \bar{U} \text{ with } x_n = H(x_n, \lambda_n). \text{ Also for } n, m \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, x_m) &= d(H(x_n, \lambda_n), H(x_m, \lambda_m)) \\ &\leq d(H(x_n, \lambda_n), H(x_n, \lambda_m)) + d(H(x_n, \lambda_m), H(x_m, \lambda_m)) \\ &\leq M|\lambda_n - \lambda_m| + \alpha d(x_n, x_m), \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$d(x_n, x_m) \leq \left(\frac{M}{1 - \alpha} \right) |\lambda_n - \lambda_m|.$$

Since $\{\lambda_n\}$ is a Cauchy sequence we have that $\{x_n\}$ is also a Cauchy sequence, and since X is complete there exists $x \in U$ with $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$. In addition, $x = H(x, \lambda)$ since

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_n, H(x, \lambda)) &= d(H(x_n, \lambda_n), H(x, \lambda)) \\ &\leq M |\lambda_n - \lambda| + \alpha d(x_n, x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\lambda \in A$ and A is closed in $[0, 1]$.

Next we show that A is open in $[0, 1]$. Let $\lambda_0 \in A$. Then there exists

$x_0 \in U$ with $x_0 = H(x_0, \lambda_0)$. Fix $\epsilon > 0$ such that

$$\epsilon \leq \frac{(1-\alpha)r}{M} \quad \text{where } r < \text{dist}(x_0, \partial U),$$

and where $\text{dist}(x_0, \partial U) = \inf\{d(x_0, x) : x \in \partial U\}$. Fix $\lambda \in (\lambda_0 - \epsilon, \lambda_0 + \epsilon)$.

Then for $\overline{x} \in B(x_0, r) = \{x : d(x, x_0) \leq r\}$,

$$d(x_0, H(x, \lambda)) \leq d(H(x_0, \lambda_0), H(x, \lambda_0)) + d(H(x, \lambda_0), H(x, \lambda))$$

$$\leq \alpha d(x_0, x) + M|\lambda - \lambda_0|$$

$$\leq \alpha r + (1 - \alpha)r = r.$$

Thus for each fixed $\lambda \in (\lambda_0 - \epsilon, \lambda_0 + \epsilon)$,

$$H(\cdot, \lambda) : B(x_0, r) \rightarrow B(x_0, r).$$

We can now apply Theorem 1.1 (an argument based on Theorem 1.3

could also be used) to deduce that $H(\cdot, \lambda)$ has a fixed point in \bar{U} . Thus

$\lambda \in A$ for any $\lambda \in (\lambda_0 - \epsilon, \lambda_0 + \epsilon)$, and therefore A is open in $[0, 1]$. We will assume that X is a Banach space. We now present a nonlinear alternative of Leray–Schauder type for contractive maps.

Theorem 3.2 Suppose U is an open subset of a Banach space X , $0 \in U$

and $F : \bar{U} \rightarrow X$ a contraction with $F(\bar{U})$ bounded. Then either

(A1) F has a fixed point in \bar{U} , or

(A2) there exist $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and $u \in \partial \bar{U}$ with $u = \lambda F(u)$ holds.

Proof:- Assume (A2) does not hold and F has no fixed points on ∂U

(otherwise we are finished). Then

$u \neq \lambda F(u)$ for all $u \in \partial U$ and $\lambda \in [0, 1]$.

Let $H : \bar{U} \times [0, 1] \rightarrow X$ be given by

$$H(x, t) = tF(x),$$

and let G be the zero map. Notice G has a fixed point in U (that is, $0 = G(0)$) and F and G are two homotopic, contractive mappings. We can now apply Theorem 3.1 to deduce that there exists $x \in U$ with $x = F(x)$, that is, (A1) occurs. It is natural to ask whether we can extend Theorem 3.2 to non expansive maps as Theorem 2.5 suggests.

Theorem 3.3 Let U be a boded, open, convex subset of a iformly convex Banach space X , with $0 \in U$ and $F : \bar{U} \rightarrow X$ a non expansive map. Then either

(A1) F has a fixed point in U , or

(A2) there exist $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and $u \in \partial \bar{U}$ with $u = \lambda F(u)$ is true.

Proof:- Assume (A2) does not hold. Consider for each $n \in \{2, 3, \dots\}$, the

Mapping $F_n := (1 - \frac{1}{n})F : \bar{U} \rightarrow X$.

Notice that F_n is a contraction with contraction constant $1 - 1/n$. Applying Theorem 3.2 to F_n , we deduce that either F_n has a fixed point in U , or there exist $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and $u \in \partial U$ with $u = \lambda F_n(u)$.

Suppose the latter is true, that is, there exist $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ and $u \in \partial U$ with $u = \lambda F_n(u)$.

Then

$$u = \lambda(1 - \frac{1}{n}) F(u) = \eta F(u) \text{ where } 0 < \eta = \lambda(1 - \frac{1}{n}) < 1$$

– a contradiction since property (A2) does not occur. Consequently for each $n \in \{2, 3, \dots\}$ we have that F_n has a fixed point $\in U$.

A standard result (if E is a reflexive Banach space, then any norm boded sequence in E has a weakly convergent subsequence) implies (since U is closed, boded and convex – hence weakly closed) that there exist a subsequence S of integers and a $u \in U$ with ; u as $n \rightarrow \infty$ in S ; here \rightarrow ; denotes weak convergence.

In addition since $u_n = (1 - 1/n)F(u_n)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}\|(I - F)(u_n)\| &= \frac{1}{n} \|F(u_n)\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n} \|F(u_n) - F(0)\| + \|F(0)\| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n} \|u_n - F(0)\|.\end{aligned}$$

Thus $(I - F)(u_n)$ converges strongly to 0. The demiclosedness of $I - F$ (see Exercise 2.8) implies that $u = F(u)$, and as a result (A1) occurs.

To illustrate how Theorem 3.2 can be applied in practice we turn our attention to the second order homogeneous Dirichlet problem,(3.1)

$$\begin{cases} y'' = f(t, y, y') \text{ for } t \in [a, b], \\ y(a) = y(b) = 0, \end{cases}$$

where $f : [a, b] \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous. Associated with (3.1) we consider the following related family of problems:

$$(3.2)_\lambda$$

$$\begin{cases} y'' = \lambda f(t, y, y') \text{ for } t \in [a, b], \\ y(a) = y(b) = 0, \end{cases}$$

for $\lambda \in (0, 1)$. Define an operator $F : C^1[a, b] \rightarrow C^1[a, b]$ by

$$F_y(t) := \int_a^b G(t, s) f(s, y(s), y'(s)) ds$$

where the Green's function $G(t, s)$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned}G(t, s) &= \begin{cases} -\frac{(t-a)(b-s)}{b-a}, & a \leq t \leq s \leq b, \\ -\frac{(s-a)(b-t)}{b-a}, & a \leq s \leq t \leq b. \end{cases} \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

By the properties of the Green's function, the fixed points of F are the classical solutions of (3.1). For an appropriate local Lipschitz condition on f , we will use the nonlinear alternative for contractive maps to establish that F restricted to the closure of a suitable open set $U \subseteq C^1[a, b]$ is contractive and has a fixed point (in fact a unique fixed point) in \bar{U} . Hence (3.1) has a unique solution in \bar{U} .

To this end we assume that f satisfies the following local Lipschitz condition:

$$(3.3) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{there are a subset } D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ and constants } K_0 \text{ and } K_1 \\ \text{such that } f \text{ restricted to } [a, b] \times D \text{ satisfies} \\ |f(t, y, y') - f(t, z, z')| \leq K_0|y - z| + K_1|y' - z'|. \end{array} \right.$$

Define a modified maximum norm on $C^1[a, b]$ by

$$\|y\| = K_0\|y\|_0 + K_1\|y'\|_0 \text{ where } \|y\|_0 = \sup_{t \in [a, b]} |y(t)| \text{ and } \|y'\|_0 = \sup_{t \in [a, b]} |y'(t)|.$$

For functions y and z whose values and derivative values lie in the region where f is locally Lipschitz, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |(F_y - F_z)(t)| &= \left| \int_a^b G(t, s) f(s, y(s), y'(s)) ds - \int_a^b G(t, s) f(s, z(s), z'(s)) ds \right| \\ &\leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} \|y - z\| \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\max_{t \in [a, b]} \int_a^b G(t, s) ds = \max_{t \in [a, b]} \frac{(b-t)(t-a)}{2} = \frac{(b-a)^2}{8}$$

Thus

$$\|F_y - F_z\|_0 \leq \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} \|y' - z'\|$$

for functions y and z whose values and derivative values lie in the region where f is locally Lipschitz. Likewise

$$\|(F_y - F_z)\|_0 \leq \frac{(b-a)}{2} \|y' - z'\|$$

for functions y and z whose values and derivative values lie in the region where f is locally Lipschitz, since

$$\max \int_a^b G(t, s) ds = \max_{t \in [a, b]} \frac{(b-a)^2 - (t-b)^2}{2(b-a)} = \frac{(b-a)}{2}$$

Consequently

$$(3.4) \|Fy - Fz\| \leq \left[k_0 \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} + k_1 \frac{(b-a)}{2} \right]$$

for functions y and z whose values and derivative values lie in the region

where f is locally Lipschitz. This inequality and Theorem 3.2 enable us

to establish the following existence and uniqueness principle for (3.1).

Theorem 3.4 Let $f : [a, b] \times \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous and satisfy (3.3)

in a set D with constants K_0 and K_1 such that

$$(3.5) \quad k_0 \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} + k_1 \frac{(b-a)}{2} < 1$$

is true. Suppose there is a boded open set of functions $U \subseteq C^1[a, b]$ with $0 \in U$ such that

$$(3.6) \quad u \in \bar{U} \text{ implies } (u(t), u'(t)) \in D \text{ for all } t \in [a, b]$$

And (3.7) y solves (3.2) $_{\lambda}$ for some $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ implies $y \in \partial U$ hold. Then (3.1) has a unique solution in \bar{U} .

Proof Evidently $F : \bar{U} \rightarrow C^1[a, b]$ is contractive by (3.4) and (3.5).

Apply Theorem 3.2 and note that (A2) cannot occur because of (3.7).

Remark 3.1 In many important applications, the function f is independent of y' ; that is $f = f(t, y)$. In this case, a straightforward review of the reasoning given above shows that we can regard F as

$F : C[a, b] \rightarrow C[a, b]$. This leads to a useful variant of Theorem 3.4 in which $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, all reference to y_- and z_- is dropped in (3.3), and $U \subseteq C[a, b]$.

Example 3.1 The boundary value problem

$$(3.8) \quad \begin{cases} y''(t) = -e^{y(t)}, & t \in [0, 1], \\ y(0) = y(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

has a unique solution with maximum norm at most 1. We note that (3.8) models the steady state temperature in a rod with temperature dependent internal heating. To establish the above claim we apply Theorem 3.4 and Remark 3.1

with $f = f(t, y) = -e^y$. By the mean value theorem we have that

$$|y| \leq 1 \text{ and } |z| \leq 1 \text{ imply } |e^y - e^z| \leq e^{\max\{y, z\}} |y - z| \leq e |y - z|.$$

We take

$$D = [-1, 1] \text{ and } U = \left\{ y \in C[0, 1] : |y|_0 = \sup_{t \in [0, 1]} |y(t)| < 1 \right\}$$

in Theorem 3.4. Then

$$\frac{k_0}{8} = \frac{e}{8} < 1$$

Suppose that y solves

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{cases} y''(t) = -\lambda e^{y(t)}, & t \in [0, 1], \\ y(0) = y(1) = 0 \end{cases}$$

for some $\lambda \in (0, 1)$. Then

$$y(t) = -\lambda \int_0^1 G(t,s)ey(s)ds$$

and therefore

$$|y(t)| \leq \frac{1}{8} e^{|y|_0} \text{ for } t \in [0, 1],$$

$$|y|_0 \leq \frac{1}{8} e^{|y|_0}$$

II. CONCLUSION

Consequently $|y|_0 \leq 1$ and this implies that $|y|_0 \neq 1$ and therefore $y \in \partial U$. Now Theorem 3.4 implies that (3.8) has a unique solution with norm at most 1.

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