

## Chapter 2: Functions

**2.1** In general, the birthday mapping is not one-to-one since two individuals may have the same birthday. It is not onto since some days may be no one's birthday.

**2.2** The origin  $\mathbf{0}$  is fixed point for every  $\theta$ . Furthermore, when  $\theta = 0$ ,  $f$  is an identity function and every point is a fixed point.

**2.3** For every  $x \in X$ , there exists some  $y \in Y$  such that  $f(x) = y$ , whence  $x \in f^{-1}(y)$ . Therefore, every  $x$  belongs to some contour. To show that distinct contours are disjoint, assume  $x \in f^{-1}(y_1) \cap f^{-1}(y_2)$ . Then  $f(x) = y_1$  and also  $f(x) = y_2$ . Since  $f$  is a function, this implies that  $y_1 = y_2$ .

**2.4** Assume  $f$  is one-to-one and onto. Then, for every  $y \in Y$ , there exists  $x \in X$  such that  $f(x) = y$ . That is,  $f^{-1}(y) \neq \emptyset$  for every  $y \in Y$ . If  $f$  is one to one,  $f(x) = y = f(x')$  implies  $x = x'$ . Therefore,  $f^{-1}(y)$  consists of a single element. Therefore, the inverse function  $f^{-1}$  exists.

Conversely, assume that  $f: X \rightarrow Y$  has an inverse  $f^{-1}$ . As  $f^{-1}$  is a function mapping  $Y$  to  $X$ , it must be defined for every  $y \in Y$ . Therefore  $f$  is onto. Assume there exists  $x, x' \in X$  and  $y \in Y$  such that  $f(x) = y = f(x')$ . Then  $f^{-1}(y) = x$  and also  $f^{-1}(y) = x'$ . Since  $f^{-1}$  is a function, this implies that  $x = x'$ . Therefore  $f$  is one-to-one.

**2.5** Choose any  $x \in X$  and let  $y = f(x)$ . Since  $f$  is one-to-one,  $x = f^{-1}(y) = f^{-1}(f(x))$ . The second identity is proved similarly.

**2.6** (2.2) implies for every  $x \in \Re$

$$e^x e^{-x} = e^0 = 1$$

and therefore

$$e^{-x} = \frac{1}{e^x} \tag{2.1}$$

For every  $x \geq 0$

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \cdots > 0$$

and therefore by (2.1)  $e^x > 0$  for every  $x \in \Re$ . For every  $x \geq 1$

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \cdots \geq 1 + x \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty$$

and therefore  $e^x \rightarrow \infty$  as  $x \rightarrow \infty$ . By (2.1)  $e^x \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow -\infty$ .

**2.7**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{e^x}{x} &= \frac{e^{x/2} e^{x/2}}{2 \frac{x}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{e^{x/2}}{x/2} \right) e^{x/2} \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

since the term in brackets is strictly greater than 1 for any  $x > 0$ . Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{e^x}{x} &= \frac{(e^{x/(n+1)})^n e^{x/(n+1)}}{(n+1)^n \left(\frac{x}{n+1}\right)^n} \\ &= \frac{1}{(n+1)^n} \left(\frac{e^{x/(n+1)}}{x/(n+1)}\right)^n e^{x/(n+1)} \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

**2.8** Assume that  $S \subseteq \mathfrak{R}$  is compact. Then  $S$  is bounded (Proposition 1.1), and there exists  $M$  such that  $|x| \leq M$  for every  $x \in S$ . For all  $n \geq m \geq 2M$

$$\begin{aligned} |f_n(x) - f_m(x)| &= \left| \sum_{k=m+1}^n \frac{x^k}{k!} \right| \leq \left| \frac{x^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} \left(\frac{x}{m}\right)^k \right| \\ &\leq \left| \frac{M^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} \sum_{k=0}^{n-m} \left(\frac{M}{m}\right)^k \right| \\ &\leq \frac{M^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} \left(1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \cdots + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-m}\right) \\ &\leq 2 \frac{M^{m+1}}{(m+1)!} \leq 2 \left(\frac{M}{m+1}\right)^{m+1} \leq \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^m \end{aligned}$$

by Exercise 1.206. Therefore  $f_n$  converges to  $f$  for all  $x \in S$ .

**2.9** This is a special case of Example 2.8. For any  $f, g \in F(X)$ , define

$$\begin{aligned} (f+g)(x) &= f(x) + g(x) \\ (\alpha f)(x) &= \alpha f(x) \end{aligned}$$

With these definitions  $f+g$  and  $\alpha f$  also map  $X$  to  $\mathfrak{R}$ . Hence  $F(X)$  is closed under addition and scalar multiplication. It is straightforward but tedious to verify that  $F(X)$  satisfies the other requirements of a linear space.

**2.10** The zero element in  $F(X)$  is the constant function  $f(x) = 0$  for every  $x \in X$ .

**2.11** 1. From the definition of  $\|f\|$  it is clear that

- $\|f\| \geq 0$ .
- $\|f\| = 0$  if and only if  $f$  is the zero functional.
- $\|\alpha f\| = |\alpha| \|f\|$  since  $\sup_{x \in X} |\alpha f(x)| = |\alpha| \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)|$

It remains to verify the triangle inequality, namely

$$\begin{aligned} \|f+g\| &= \sup_{x \in X} |(f+g)(x)| \\ &= \sup_{x \in X} |f(x) + g(x)| \\ &\leq \sup_{x \in X} \{ |f(x)| + |g(x)| \} \\ &\leq \sup_{x \in X} |f(x)| + \sup_{x \in X} |g(x)| \\ &= \|f\| + \|g\| \end{aligned}$$

2. Consequently, for any  $f \in B(X)$ ,  $\alpha f(x) \leq |\alpha| \|f\|$  for every  $x \in X$  and therefore  $\alpha f \in B(X)$ . Similarly, for any  $f, g \in B(X)$ ,  $(f+g)(x) \leq \|f\| + \|g\|$  for every

$x \in X$  and therefore  $f + g \in B(X)$ . Hence,  $B(X)$  is closed under addition and scalar multiplication; it is a subspace of the linear space  $F(X)$ . We conclude that  $B(X)$  is a normed linear space.

3. To show that  $B(X)$  is complete, assume that  $(f^n)$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $B(X)$ . For every  $x \in X$

$$|f^n(x) - f^m(x)| \leq \|f^n - f^m\| \rightarrow 0$$

Therefore, for  $x \in X$ ,  $f^n(x)$  is a Cauchy sequence of real numbers. Since  $\mathfrak{R}$  is complete, this sequence converges. Define the function

$$f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^n(x)$$

We need to show

- $\|f^n - f\| \rightarrow 0$  and
- $f \in B(X)$

$(f^n)$  is a Cauchy sequence. For given  $\epsilon > 0$ , choose  $N$  such that  $\|f^n - f^m\| < \epsilon/2$  for very  $m, n \geq N$ . For any  $x \in X$  and  $n \geq N$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |f^n(x) - f(x)| &\leq |f^n(x) - f^m(x)| + |f^m(x) - f(x)| \\ &\leq \|f^n - f^m\| + |f^m(x) - f(x)| \end{aligned}$$

By suitable choice of  $m$  (which may depend upon  $x$ ), each term on the right can be made smaller than  $\epsilon/2$  and therefore

$$|f^n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$$

for every  $x \in X$  and  $n \geq N$ .

$$\|f^n - f\| = \sup_{x \in X} |f^n(x) - f(x)| \leq \epsilon$$

Finally, this implies  $\|f\| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|f^n\|$ . Therefore  $f \in B(X)$ .

- 2.12** If the die is fair, the probability of the elementary outcomes is

$$P(\{1\}) = P(\{2\}) = P(\{3\}) = P(\{4\}) = P(\{5\}) = P(\{6\}) = 1/6$$

By Condition 3

$$P(\{2, 4, 6\}) = P(\{2\}) + P(\{4\}) + P(\{6\}) = 1/2$$

- 2.13** The profit maximization problem of a competitive single-output firm is to choose the combination of inputs  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathfrak{R}_+^n$  and scale of production  $y$  to maximize net profit. This is summarized in the constrained maximization problem

$$\begin{aligned} \max_{\mathbf{x}, y} \quad & py - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \\ \text{subject to } & \mathbf{x} \in V(y) \end{aligned}$$

where  $py$  is total revenue and  $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$  total cost. The profit function, which depends upon both  $p$  and  $\mathbf{w}$ , is defined by

$$\Pi(p, \mathbf{w}) = \max_{y, \mathbf{x} \in V(y)} py - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

For analysis, it is convenient to represent the technology  $V(y)$  by a production function (Example 2.24). The firm's optimization can then be expressed as

$$\max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathfrak{R}_+^n} pf(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

and the profit function as

$$\Pi(p, \mathbf{w}) = \max_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathfrak{R}_+^n} pf(\mathbf{x}) - \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

- 2.14** 1. Assume that production is profitable at  $\mathbf{p}$ . That is, there exists some  $\mathbf{y} \in Y$  such that  $f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) > 0$ . Since the technology exhibits constant returns to scale,  $Y$  is a cone (Example 1.101). Therefore  $\alpha \mathbf{y} \in Y$  for every  $\alpha > 0$  and

$$f(\alpha \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = \sum_i p_i(\alpha y_i) = \alpha \sum_i p_i y_i = \alpha f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p})$$

Therefore  $\{f(\alpha \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) : \alpha > 0\}$  is unbounded and

$$\Pi(\mathbf{p}) = \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in Y} f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) \geq \sup_{\alpha > 0} f(\alpha \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) = +\infty$$

2. Assume to the contrary that there exists  $\mathbf{p} \in \mathfrak{R}_+^n$  with  $\Pi(\mathbf{p}) = \pi \notin \{0, +\infty, -\infty\}$ . There are two possible cases.
- (a)  $0 < \pi < +\infty$ . Since  $\pi = \sup_{\mathbf{y} \in Y} f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) > 0$ , there exists  $\mathbf{y} \in Y$  such that  $f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) > 0$ . The previous part implies  $\Pi(\mathbf{p}) = +\infty$ .
- (b)  $-\infty < \pi < 0$ . Then there exists  $\mathbf{y} \in Y$  such that  $f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{p}) < 0$ . By a similar argument to the previous part, this implies  $\Pi(\mathbf{p}) = -\infty$ .

- 2.15** Assume  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a solution to (2.4).

$$f(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \geq f(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \text{ for every } \mathbf{x} \in G(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

and therefore

$$f(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \geq \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in G(\boldsymbol{\theta})} f(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = v(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

On the other hand  $\mathbf{x}^* \in G(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  and therefore

$$v(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in G(\boldsymbol{\theta})} f(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \geq f(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

Therefore,  $\mathbf{x}^*$  satisfies (2.5). Conversely, assume  $\mathbf{x}^* \in G(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  satisfies (2.5). Then

$$f(\mathbf{x}^*, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = v(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in G(\boldsymbol{\theta})} f(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \geq f(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \text{ for every } \mathbf{x} \in G(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

$\mathbf{x}^*$  solve (2.4).

- 2.16** The assumption that  $G(x) \neq \emptyset$  for every  $x \in X$  implies  $\Gamma(x_0) \neq \emptyset$  for every  $x_0 \in X$ . There always exist feasible plans from any starting point. Since  $u$  is bounded, there exists  $M$  such that  $|f(x_t, x_{t+1})| \leq M$  for every  $\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma(x_0)$ . Consequently, for every  $\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma(x_0)$ ,  $U(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathfrak{R}$  and

$$|U(\mathbf{x})| = \left| \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t f(x_t, x_{t+1}) \right| \leq \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t |f(x_t, x_{t+1})| \leq \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t M = \frac{M}{1-\beta}$$

using the formula for a geometric series (Exercise 1.108). Therefore

$$v(x_0) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma(x_0)} U(\mathbf{x}) \leq \frac{M}{1 - \beta}$$

and  $v \in B(X)$ . Next, we note that for every feasible plan  $\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma(x_0)$

$$\begin{aligned} U(\mathbf{x}) &= \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t f(x_t, x_{t+1}) \\ &= f(x_0, x_1) + \beta \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t f(x_{t+1}, x_{t+2}) \\ &= f(x_0, x_1) + \beta U(\mathbf{x}') \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

where  $\mathbf{x}' = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$  is the continuation of the plan  $\mathbf{x}$  starting at  $x_1$ . For any  $x_0 \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a feasible plan  $\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma(x_0)$  such that

$$U(\mathbf{x}) \geq v(x_0) - \epsilon$$

Let  $\mathbf{x}' = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$  be the continuation of the plan  $\mathbf{x}$  starting at  $x_1$ . Using (2.2) and the fact that  $U(\mathbf{x}') \leq v(x_1)$ , we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} v(x_0) - \epsilon &\leq U(\mathbf{x}) \\ &= f(x_0, x_1) + \beta U(\mathbf{x}') \\ &\leq f(x_0, x_1) + \beta v(x_1) \\ &\leq \sup_{y \in G(x)} \{ f(x_0, y) + \beta v(y) \} \end{aligned}$$

Since this is true for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , we must have

$$v(x_0) \leq \sup_{y \in G(x)} \{ f(x_0, y) + \beta v(y) \} \tag{2.3}$$

On the other hand, choose any  $x_1 \in G(x_0) \subseteq X$ . Since

$$v(x_1) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma(x_1)} U(\mathbf{x})$$

there exists a feasible plan  $\mathbf{x}' = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$  starting at  $x_1$  such that

$$U(\mathbf{x}') \geq v(x_1) - \epsilon$$

Moreover, the plan  $\mathbf{x} = (x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots)$  is feasible from  $x_0$  and

$$v(x_0) \geq U(\mathbf{x}) = f(x_0, x_1) + \beta U(\mathbf{x}') \geq f(x_0, x_1) + \beta v(x_1) - \beta \epsilon$$

Since this is true for every  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $x_1 \in G(x_0)$ , we conclude that

$$v(x_0) \geq \sup_{y \in G(x)} \{ f(x_0, y) + \beta v(y) \}$$

Together with (2.3) this establishes the required result, namely

$$v(x_0) = \sup_{y \in G(x)} \{ f(x_0, y) + \beta v(y) \}$$

**2.17** Assume  $\mathbf{x}$  is optimal, so that

$$U(\mathbf{x}^*) \geq U(\mathbf{x}) \text{ for every } \mathbf{x} \in \Gamma(x_0)$$

This implies (using (2.2))

$$f(x_0, x_1^*) + \beta U(\mathbf{x}^{*'}) \geq f(x_0, x_1) + \beta U(\mathbf{x}')$$

where  $\mathbf{x}' = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$  is the continuation of the plan  $\mathbf{x}$  starting at  $x_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}^{*'} = (x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots)$  is the continuation of the plan  $\mathbf{x}^*$ . In particular, this is true for every plan  $\mathbf{x} \in \Gamma(x_0)$  with  $x_1 = x_1^*$  and therefore

$$f(x_0, x_1^*) + \beta U(\mathbf{x}^{*'}) \geq f(x_0, x_1^*) + \beta U(\mathbf{x}') \text{ for every } \mathbf{x}' \in \Gamma(x_1^*)$$

which implies that

$$U(\mathbf{x}^{*'}) \geq U(\mathbf{x}') \text{ for every } \mathbf{x}' \in \Gamma(x_1^*)$$

That is,  $\mathbf{x}^{*'}$  is optimal starting at  $x_1^*$  and therefore  $U(\mathbf{x}^{*'}) = v(x_1^*)$  (Exercise 2.15). Consequently

$$v(x_0) = U(\mathbf{x}^*) = f(x_0, x_1^*) + \beta U(\mathbf{x}^{*'}) = f(x_0, x_1^*) + \beta v(x_1^*)$$

This verifies (2.13) for  $t = 0$ . A similar argument verifies (2.13) for any period  $t$ .

To show the converse, assume that  $\mathbf{x}^* = (x_0, x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots) \in \Gamma(x_0)$  satisfies (2.13). Successively using (2.13)

$$\begin{aligned} v(x_0) &= f(x_0, x_1^*) + \beta v(x_1^*) \\ &= f(x_0, x_1^*) + \beta f(x_1^*, x_2^*) + \beta^2 v(x_2^*) \\ &= \sum_{t=0}^1 \beta^t f(x_t^*, x_{t+1}^*) + \beta^2 v(x_2^*) \\ &= \sum_{t=0}^2 \beta^t f(x_t^*, x_{t+1}^*) + \beta^3 v(x_3^*) \\ &\vdots \\ &= \sum_{t=0}^{T-1} \beta^t f(x_t, x_{t+1}) + \beta^T v(x_T^*) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $T = 1, 2, \dots$ . Since  $v$  is bounded (Exercise 2.16),  $\beta^T v(x_T^*) \rightarrow 0$  as  $T \rightarrow \infty$  and therefore

$$v(x_0) = \sum_{t=0}^{\infty} \beta^t f(x_t, x_{t+1}) = U(\mathbf{x}^*)$$

Again using Exercise 2.15,  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is optimal.

**2.18** We have to show that

- for any  $v \in B(X)$ ,  $Tv$  is a functional on  $X$ .
- $Tv$  is bounded.

Since  $F \in B(X \times X)$ , there exists  $M_1 < \infty$  such that  $|f(x, y)| \leq M_1$  for every  $(x, y) \in X \times X$ . Similarly, for any  $v \in B(X)$ , there exists  $M_2 < \infty$  such that  $|v(x)| \leq M_2$  for every  $x \in X$ . Consequently for every  $(x, y) \in X \times X$  and  $v \in B(X)$

$$|f(x, y) + \beta v(y)| \leq |f(x, y)| + \beta |v(y)| \leq M_1 + \beta M_2 < \infty \quad (2.4)$$

For each  $x \in X$ , the set

$$S_x = \{ f(x, y) + \beta v(y) : y \in G(x) \}$$

is a nonempty bounded subset of  $\mathfrak{R}$ , which has least upper bound. Therefore

$$(Tv)(x) = \sup S_x = \sup_{y \in G(x)} f(x, y) + \beta v(y)$$

defines a functional on  $X$ . Moreover by (2.4)

$$|(Tv)(k)| \leq M_1 + \beta M_2 < \infty$$

Therefore  $Tv \in B(X)$ .

**2.19** Let  $N = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . Any individual is powerless so that

$$w(\{i\}) = 0 \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

Any two players can allocate the \$1 to between themselves, leaving the other player out. Therefore

$$w(\{i, j\}) = 1 \quad i, j \in N, i \neq j$$

The best that the three players can achieve is to allocate the \$1 amongst themselves, so that

$$w(N) = 1$$

**2.20** If the consumers preferences are continuous and strictly convex, she has a unique optimal choice  $\mathbf{x}^*$  for every set of prices  $\mathbf{p}$  and income  $m$  in  $P$  (Example 1.116). Therefore, the demand correspondence is single valued.

**2.21** Assume  $s_i^* \in B(\mathbf{s}^*)$  for every  $i \in N$ . Then for every player  $i \in N$

$$(s_i, \mathbf{s}_{-i}) \succsim_i (s'_i, \mathbf{s}_{-i}) \text{ for every } s'_i \in S_i$$

$\mathbf{s}^* = (s_1^*, s_2^*, \dots, s_n^*)$  is a Nash equilibrium. Conversely, assume  $\mathbf{s}^* = (s_1^*, s_2^*, \dots, s_n^*)$  is a Nash equilibrium. Then for every player  $i \in N$

$$(s_i, \mathbf{s}_{-i}) \succsim_i (s'_i, \mathbf{s}_{-i}) \text{ for every } s'_i \in S_i$$

which implies that

$$s_i^* \in B(\mathbf{s}^*) \text{ for every } i \in N$$

**2.22** For any nonempty compact set  $T \subseteq S$ ,  $B(T)$  is nonempty and compact provided  $\succsim_i$  is continuous (Proposition 1.5) and  $B(T) \subseteq T$ . Therefore

$$B_i^1 \supseteq B_i^2 \supseteq B_i^3 \dots$$

is a nested sequence of nonempty compact sets. By the nested intersection theorem (Exercise 1.117),  $R_i = \bigcap_{n=0}^{\infty} B_i^n \neq \emptyset$ .

**2.23** If  $\mathbf{s}^*$  is a Nash equilibrium,  $s_i \in B_i^n$  for every  $n$ .

**2.24** For any  $\theta$ , let  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \varphi(\theta)$ . Then

$$f(\mathbf{x}^*, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}, \theta) \quad \text{for every } \mathbf{x} \in G(\theta)$$

Therefore

$$f(\mathbf{x}^*, \theta) \geq v(\theta) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in G(\theta)} f(\mathbf{x}, \theta)$$

Conversely

$$v(\theta) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in G(\theta)} f(\mathbf{x}, \theta) \geq \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in G(\theta)} f(\mathbf{x}, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}^*, \theta) \text{ for every } \mathbf{x}^* \in \varphi(\theta)$$

Consequently

$$v(\theta) = f(\mathbf{x}^*, \theta) \text{ for any } \mathbf{x}^* \in \varphi(\theta)$$

**2.25** The graph of  $V$  is

$$\text{graph}(V) = \{ (y, \mathbf{x}) \in \mathfrak{R}_+ \times \mathfrak{R}_+^n : \mathbf{x} \in V(y) \}$$

while the production possibility set  $Y$  is

$$Y = \{ (y, -\mathbf{x}) \in \mathfrak{R}_+ \times \mathfrak{R}_+^n : \mathbf{x} \in V(y) \}$$

Assume that  $Y$  is convex and let  $(y^i, \mathbf{x}^i) \in \text{graph}(V)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . This means that

$$(y^1, -\mathbf{x}^1) \in Y \text{ and } (y^2, -\mathbf{x}^2) \in Y$$

Let

$$\bar{y} = \alpha y^1 + (1 - \alpha)y^2 \text{ and } \bar{\mathbf{x}} = \alpha \mathbf{x}^1 + (1 - \alpha)\mathbf{x}^2$$

for some  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ . Since  $Y$  is convex

$$(\bar{y}, -\bar{\mathbf{x}}) = \alpha(y^1, -\mathbf{x}^1) + (1 - \alpha)(y^2, -\mathbf{x}^2) \in Y$$

and therefore  $\bar{\mathbf{x}} \in V(\bar{y})$  so that  $(\bar{y}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \in \text{graph}(V)$ . That is  $\text{graph}(V)$  is convex.

Conversely, assuming  $\text{graph}(V)$  is convex, if  $(y^i, -\mathbf{x}^i) \in Y$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , then  $(y^i, \mathbf{x}^i) \in \text{graph}(V)$  and therefore

$$(\bar{y}, \bar{\mathbf{x}}) \in \text{graph}(V) \implies \bar{\mathbf{x}} \in V(\bar{y}) \implies (\bar{y}, -\bar{\mathbf{x}}) \in Y$$

so that  $Y$  is convex.

**2.26** The graph of  $\varphi$  is

$$\text{graph}(G) = \{ (\theta, \mathbf{x}) \in \Theta \times X : \mathbf{x} \in G(\theta) \}$$

Assume that  $(\theta^i, \mathbf{x}^i) \in \text{graph}(G)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . This means that  $\mathbf{x}^i \in G(\theta^i)$  and therefore  $g^j(\mathbf{x}, \theta) \leq c_j$  for every  $j$  and  $i = 1, 2$ . Since  $g^j$  is convex

$$g(\alpha \mathbf{x}^1 + (1 - \alpha)\mathbf{x}^2, \alpha \theta^1 + (1 - \alpha)\theta^2) \geq \alpha g(\mathbf{x}^1, \theta^1) + (1 - \alpha)g(\mathbf{x}^2, \theta^2) \geq c_j$$

Therefore  $\alpha \mathbf{x}^1 + (1 - \alpha)\mathbf{x}^2 \in G(\alpha \theta^1 + (1 - \alpha)\theta^2)$  and  $(\alpha \theta^1 + (1 - \alpha)\theta^2, \alpha \mathbf{x}^1 + (1 - \alpha)\mathbf{x}^2) \in \text{graph}(G)$ .  $G$  is convex.



**2.27** The identity function  $I_X: X \rightarrow X$  is defined by  $I_X(x) = x$  for every  $x \in X$ . Therefore

$$x_2 \succ_X x_1 \implies I_X(x_2) = x_2 \succ_X x_1 = I_X(x_1)$$

**2.28** Assume that  $f$  and  $g$  are increasing. Then, for every  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $x_2 \succ_X x_1$

$$f(x_2) \succ_Y f(x_1) \implies g(f(x_2)) \succ_Z g(f(x_1))$$

$g \circ f$  is also increasing. Similarly, if  $f$  and  $g$  are strictly increasing,

$$x_2 \succ_X x_1 \implies f(x_2) \succ_Y f(x_1) \implies g(f(x_2)) \succ_Z g(f(x_1))$$

**2.29** For every  $y \in f(X)$ , there exists a unique  $x \in X$  such that  $f(x) = y$ . (For if  $x_1, x_2$  are such that  $f(x_1) = f(x_2)$ , then  $x_1 = x_2$ .) Therefore,  $f$  is one-to-one and onto  $f(X)$ , and so has an inverse (Exercise 2.4). Further

$$x_2 > x_1 \iff f(x_2) > f(x_1)$$

Therefore  $f^{-1}$  is strictly increasing.

**2.30** Assume  $f: X \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  is increasing. Then, for every  $x_2 \succ x_1$ ,  $f(x_2) \geq f(x_1)$  which implies that  $-f(x_2) \leq -f(x_1)$ .  $-f$  is decreasing.

**2.31** For every  $x_2 \succ x_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_2) &\geq f(x_1) \\ g(x_2) &\geq g(x_1) \end{aligned}$$

Adding

$$(f + g)(x_2) = f(x_2) + g(x_2) \geq f(x_1) + g(x_1) = (f + g)(x_1)$$

That is,  $f + g$  is increasing. Similarly for every  $\alpha \geq 0$

$$\alpha f(x_2) \geq \alpha f(x_1)$$

and therefore  $\alpha f$  is increasing. By Exercise 1.186, the set of all increasing functionals is a convex cone in  $F(X)$ .

If  $f$  is strictly increasing, then for every  $x_2 \succ x_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_2) &> f(x_1) \\ g(x_2) &\geq g(x_1) \end{aligned}$$

Adding

$$(f + g)(x_2) = f(x_2) + g(x_2) > f(x_1) + g(x_1) = (f + g)(x_1)$$

$f + g$  is strictly increasing. Similarly for every  $\alpha > 0$

$$\alpha f(x_2) > \alpha f(x_1)$$

$\alpha f$  is strictly increasing.

**2.32** For every  $x_2 \succ x_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_2) &> f(x_1) > 0 \\ g(x_2) &> g(x_1) > 0 \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$(fg)(x_2) = f(x_2)g(x_2) > f(x_2)g(x_1) > f(x_1)g(x_1) = (fg)(x_1)$$

using Exercise 2.31.

**2.33** By Exercise 2.31 and Example 2.53, each  $g_n$  is strictly increasing on  $\mathfrak{R}_+$ . That is

$$x_1 < x_2 \implies g_n(x_1) < g_n(x_2) \text{ for every } n \quad (2.5)$$

and therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x_1) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x_2)$$

This suffices to show that  $g(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n(x)$  is increasing (not strictly increasing). However,  $1 + x$  is strictly increasing, and therefore by Exercise 2.31

$$e^x = 1 + x + g(x)$$

is strictly increasing on  $\mathfrak{R}_+$ . While it is the case that  $g = \lim g_n$  is strictly increasing on  $\mathfrak{R}_+$ , (2.5) does not suffice to show this.

**2.34** For every  $a > 0$ ,  $a \log x$  is strictly increasing (Exercise 2.32) and therefore  $e^{a \log x}$  is strictly increasing (Exercise 2.28). For every  $a < 0$ ,  $-a \log x$  is strictly increasing and therefore (Exercise 2.30  $a \log x$  is strictly decreasing. Therefore  $e^{a \log x}$  is strictly decreasing (Exercise 2.28).

**2.35** Apply Exercises 2.31 and 2.28 to Example 2.56.

**2.36**  $u$  is (strictly) increasing so that

$$x_2 \succsim x_1 \implies u(x_2) \geq u(x_1)$$

To show the converse, assume that  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $u(x_2) \geq u(x_1)$ . Since  $\succsim$  is complete, either  $x_2 \succsim x_1$  or  $x_1 \succ x_2$ . However, the second possibility cannot occur since  $u$  is strictly increasing and therefore

$$x_1 \succ x_2 \implies u(x_1) > u(x_2)$$

contradicting the hypothesis that  $u(x_2) \geq u(x_1)$ . We conclude that

$$u(x_2) \geq u(x_1) \implies x_2 \succsim x_1$$

**2.37** Assume  $u$  represents the preference ordering  $\succsim$  on  $X$  and let  $g: \mathfrak{R} \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  be strictly increasing. Then composition  $g \circ u: X \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  is strictly increasing (Exercise 2.28). Therefore  $g \circ u$  is a utility function (Example 2.58). Since  $g$  is strictly increasing

$$g(u(x_2)) \geq g(u(x_1)) \iff u(x_2) \geq u(x_1) \iff x_2 \succsim x_1$$

for every  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ . Therefore,  $g \circ u$  also represents  $\succsim$ .

**2.38** 1. (a) Let  $\bar{z} = \max_{i=1}^n x_i$ . Then  $\bar{\mathbf{z}} = \bar{z}\mathbf{1} \succsim \mathbf{x}$  and therefore  $\bar{\mathbf{z}} \in Z_{\mathbf{x}}^+$ . Similarly, let  $\underline{z} = \min_{i=1}^n x_i$ . Then  $\underline{\mathbf{z}} = \underline{z}\mathbf{1} \in Z_{\mathbf{x}}^-$ . Therefore,  $Z_{\mathbf{x}}^+$  and  $Z_{\mathbf{x}}^-$  are both nonempty. By continuity, the upper and lower contour sets  $\succsim(\mathbf{x})$  and  $\precsim(\mathbf{x})$  are closed.  $Z$  is a closed cone. Since

$$Z_{\mathbf{x}}^+ = \succsim(\mathbf{x}) \cap Z \text{ and } Z_{\mathbf{x}}^- = \precsim(\mathbf{x}) \cap Z$$

$Z_{\mathbf{x}}^+$  and  $Z_{\mathbf{x}}^-$  are closed.

(b) By completeness,  $Z_{\mathbf{x}}^+ \cup Z_{\mathbf{x}}^- = Z$ . Since  $Z$  is connected,  $Z_{\mathbf{x}}^+ \cap Z_{\mathbf{x}}^- \neq \emptyset$ . (Otherwise,  $Z$  is the union of two disjoint closed sets and hence the union of two disjoint open sets.)

(c) Let  $\mathbf{z}_{\mathbf{x}} \in Z_{\mathbf{x}}^+ \cap Z_{\mathbf{x}}^-$ . Then  $\mathbf{z}_{\mathbf{x}} \succsim \mathbf{x}$  and also  $\mathbf{z}_{\mathbf{x}} \precsim \mathbf{x}$ . That is,  $\mathbf{z}_{\mathbf{x}} \sim \mathbf{x}$ .

- (d) Suppose  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbf{z}_x^1$  and  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbf{z}_x^2$  with  $\mathbf{z}_x^1 \neq \mathbf{z}_x^2$ . Then either  $\mathbf{z}_x^1 > \mathbf{z}_x^2$  or  $\mathbf{z}_x^1 < \mathbf{z}_x^2$ . Without loss of generality, assume  $\mathbf{z}_x^2 > \mathbf{z}_x^1$ . Then monotonicity and transitivity imply

$$\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbf{z}_x^2 \succ \mathbf{z}_x^1 \sim \mathbf{x}$$

which is a contradiction. Therefore  $\mathbf{z}_x$  is unique.

Let  $z_x$  denote the scale of  $\mathbf{z}_x$ , that is  $\mathbf{z}_x = z_x \mathbf{1}$ . For every  $\mathbf{x} \in \mathfrak{R}_+^n$ , there is a unique  $\mathbf{z}_x \sim \mathbf{x}$  and the function  $u: \mathfrak{R}_+^n \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}$  given by  $u(\mathbf{x}) = z_x$  is well-defined. Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_2 \succsim \mathbf{x}_1 &\iff \mathbf{z}_{\mathbf{x}_2} \succsim \mathbf{z}_{\mathbf{x}_1} \\ &\iff z_{\mathbf{x}_2} \geq z_{\mathbf{x}_1} \\ &\iff u(\mathbf{x}_2) \geq u(\mathbf{x}_1) \end{aligned}$$

$u$  represents the preference order  $\succsim$ .

- 2.39** 1. For every  $x_1 \in \mathfrak{R}$ ,  $(x_1, 2) \succ_L (x_1, 1)$  in the lexicographic order. If  $u$  represents  $\succsim_L$ ,  $u$  is strictly increasing and therefore  $u(x_1, 2) > u(x_1, 1)$ . There exists a rational number  $r(x_1)$  such that  $u(x_1, 2) > r(x_1) > u(x_1, 1)$ .
2. The preceding construction associates a rational number with every real number  $x_1 \in \mathfrak{R}$ . Hence  $r$  is a function from  $\mathfrak{R}$  to the set of rational numbers  $Q$ . For any  $x_1^1, x_1^2 \in \mathfrak{R}$  with  $x_1^2 > x_1^1$

$$r(x_1^2) > u(x_1^2, 1) > u(x_1^1, 2) > r(x_1^1)$$

Therefore

$$x_1^2 > x_1^1 \implies r(x_1^2) > r(x_1^1)$$

$r$  is strictly increasing.

3. By Exercise 2.29,  $r$  has an inverse. This implies that  $r$  is one-to-one and onto, which is impossible since  $Q$  is countable and  $\mathfrak{R}$  is uncountable (Example 2.16). This contradiction establishes that  $\succsim_L$  has no such representation  $u$ .
- 2.40** Let  $\mathbf{a}^1, \mathbf{a}^2 \in A$  with  $\mathbf{a}^1 \succsim_2 \mathbf{a}^2$ . Since the game is strictly competitive,  $\mathbf{a}^2 \succsim_1 \mathbf{a}^1$ . Since  $u_1$  represents  $\succsim_1$ ,  $u_1(\mathbf{a}^2) \geq u_1(\mathbf{a}^1)$  which implies that  $-u_1(\mathbf{a}^2) \leq -u_1(\mathbf{a}^1)$ , that is  $u_2(\mathbf{a}^1) \geq u_2(\mathbf{a}^2)$  where  $u_2 = -u_1$ . Similarly

$$u_2(\mathbf{a}^1) \geq u_2(\mathbf{a}^2) \implies u_1(\mathbf{a}^1) \leq u_1(\mathbf{a}^2) \iff \mathbf{a}^1 \succsim_1 \mathbf{a}^2 \implies \mathbf{a}^1 \succsim_2 \mathbf{a}^2$$

Therefore  $u_2 = -u_1$  represents  $\succsim_2$  and

$$u_1(\mathbf{a}) + u_2(\mathbf{a}) = 0 \text{ for every } \mathbf{a} \in A$$

- 2.41** Assume  $S \subsetneq T$ . By superadditivity

$$w(T) \geq w(S) + w(T \setminus S) \geq w(S)$$

- 2.42** Assume  $v, w \in B(X)$  with  $w(y) \geq v(y)$  for every  $y \in X$ . Then for any  $x \in X$

$$f(x, y) + \beta w(y) \geq f(x, y) + \beta v(y) \text{ for every } y \in X$$

and therefore

$$(Tw)(x) = \sup_{y \in G(x)} \{f(x, y) + \beta w(y)\} \geq \sup_{y \in G(x)} \{f(x, y) + \beta v(y)\} = (Tv)(x)$$

$T$  is increasing.

**2.43** For every  $\theta_2 \geq \theta_1 \in \Theta$ , if  $x_1 \in G(\theta_1)$  and  $x_2 \in G(\theta_2)$ , then  $x_1 \wedge x_2 \leq x_1$  and therefore  $x_1 \wedge x_2 \in G(\theta_1)$ . If  $x_1 \geq x_2$ , then  $x_1 \vee x_2 = x_1 \leq g(\theta_1) \leq g(\theta_2)$  and therefore  $x_1 \vee x_2 \in G(\theta_2)$ . On the other hand, if  $x_1 \leq x_2$ , then  $x_1 \vee x_2 = x_2 \in G(\theta_2)$ .

**2.44** Assume  $\varphi$  is increasing, and let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $x_2 \succsim x_1$ . Let  $y_1 \in \varphi(x_1)$ . Choose any  $y' \in \varphi(x_2)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is increasing,  $\varphi(x_2) \succsim_S \varphi(x_1)$  and therefore  $y_2 = y_1 \vee y' \in \varphi(x_2)$ .  $y_2 \succsim y_1$  as required. Similarly, for every  $y_2 \in \varphi(x_2)$ , there exists some  $y' \in \varphi(x_1)$  such that  $y_1 = y' \wedge y_2 \in \varphi(x_1)$  with  $y_2 \succsim y_1$ .

**2.45** Since  $\varphi(x)$  is a sublattice,  $\sup \varphi(x) \in \varphi(x)$  for every  $x$ . Therefore, the function

$$f(x) = \sup \varphi(x)$$

is a selection. Similarly

$$g(x) = \inf \varphi(x)$$

is a selection. Both  $f$  and  $g$  are increasing (Exercise 1.50).

**2.46** Let  $x^1, x^2$  belong to  $X$  with  $x^2 \succsim x^1$ . Choose  $\mathbf{y}^1 = (y_1^1, y_2^1, \dots, y_n^1) \in \prod_i \varphi_i(x^1)$  and  $\mathbf{y}^2 = (y_1^2, y_2^2, \dots, y_n^2) \in \prod_i \varphi_i(x^2)$ . Then, for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $y_i^1 \in \varphi_i(x^1)$  and  $y_i^2 \in \varphi_i(x^2)$ . Since each  $\varphi_i$  is increasing,  $y_i^1 \wedge y_i^2 \in \varphi_i(x^1)$  and  $y_i^1 \vee y_i^2 \in \varphi_i(x^2)$  for each  $i$ . Therefore  $\mathbf{y}^1 \wedge \mathbf{y}^2 \in \prod_i \varphi_i(x^1)$  and  $\mathbf{y}^1 \vee \mathbf{y}^2 \in \prod_i \varphi_i(x^2)$ .  $\varphi(x) = \prod_i \varphi_i(x)$  is increasing.

**2.47** Let  $x^1, x^2$  belong to  $X$  with  $x^2 \succsim x^1$ . Choose  $y^1 \in \bigcap_i \varphi_i(x^1)$  and  $y^2 \in \bigcap_i \varphi_i(x^2)$ . Then  $y^1 \in \varphi_i(x^1)$  and  $y^2 \in \varphi_i(x^2)$  for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Since each  $\varphi_i$  is increasing,  $y^1 \wedge y^2 \in \varphi_i(x^1)$  and  $y^1 \vee y^2 \in \varphi_i(x^2)$  for each  $i$ . Therefore  $y^1 \wedge y^2 \in \bigcap_i \varphi_i(x^1)$  and  $y^1 \vee y^2 \in \bigcap_i \varphi_i(x^2)$ .  $\varphi = \bigcap_i \varphi_i$  is increasing.

**2.48** Let  $f$  be a selection from an always increasing correspondence  $\varphi: X \rightrightarrows Y$ . For every  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ ,  $f(x_1) \in \varphi(x_1)$  and  $f(x_2) \in \varphi(x_2)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is always increasing

$$x_1 \succsim_X x_2 \implies f(x_1) \succsim_Y f(x_2)$$

$f$  is increasing. Conversely, assume every selection  $f \in \varphi$  is increasing. Choose any  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  with  $x_1 \succsim x_2$ . For every  $y_1 \in \varphi(x_1)$  and  $y_2 \in \varphi(x_2)$ , there exists a selection  $f$  with  $y_i = \varphi(x_i), i = 1, 2$ . Since  $f$  is increasing,

$$x_1 \succsim_X x_2 \implies y_1 \succsim_Y y_2$$

$\varphi$  is increasing.

**2.49** Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ . If  $X$  is a chain, either  $x_1 \succsim x_2$  or  $x_2 \succsim x_1$ . Without loss of generality, assume  $x_2 \succsim x_1$ . Then  $x_1 \vee x_2 = x_2$  and  $x_1 \wedge x_2 = x_1$  and (2.17) is satisfied as an identity.

**2.50**

$$\begin{aligned} (f + g)(x_1 \vee x_2) + (f + g)(x_1 \wedge x_2) &= f(x_1 \vee x_2) + g(x_1 \vee x_2) + f(x_1 \wedge x_2) + g(x_1 \wedge x_2) \\ &= f(x_1 \vee x_2) + f(x_1 \wedge x_2) + g(x_1 \vee x_2) + g(x_1 \wedge x_2) \\ &\geq f(x_1) + f(x_2) + g(x_1) + g(x_2) \\ &= (f + g)(x_1) + (f + g)(x_2) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly

$$f(x_1 \vee x_2) + f(x_1 \wedge x_2) \geq f(x_1) + f(x_2)$$

implies

$$\alpha f(x_1 \vee x_2) + \alpha f(x_1 \wedge x_2) \geq \alpha f(x_1) + \alpha f(x_2)$$

for all  $\alpha \geq 0$ . By Exercise 1.186, the set of all supermodular functions is a convex cone in  $F(X)$ .

**2.51** Since  $f$  is supermodular and  $g$  is nonnegative definite,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1 \vee x_2)g(x_1 \vee x_2) &\geq (f(x_1) + f(x_2) - f(x_1 \wedge x_2))g(x_1 \vee x_2) \\ &= f(x_2)g(x_1 \vee x_2) + (f(x_1) - f(x_1 \wedge x_2))g(x_1 \vee x_2) \end{aligned}$$

for any  $x_1, x_2 \in X$ . Since  $f$  and  $g$  are increasing, this implies

$$f(x_1 \vee x_2)g(x_1 \vee x_2) \geq f(x_2)g(x_1 \vee x_2) + (f(x_1) - f(x_1 \wedge x_2))g(x_1) \quad (2.6)$$

Similarly, since  $f$  is nonnegative definite,  $g$  supermodular, and  $f$  and  $g$  increasing

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_2)g(x_1 \vee x_2) &\geq f(x_2)(g(x_1) + g(x_2) - g(x_1 \wedge x_2)) \\ &= f(x_2)g(x_2) + f(x_2)(g(x_1) - g(x_1 \wedge x_2)) \\ &\geq f(x_2)g(x_2) + f(x_1 \wedge x_2)(g(x_1) - g(x_1 \wedge x_2)) \end{aligned}$$

Combining this inequality with (2.6) gives

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1 \vee x_2)g(x_1 \vee x_2) &\geq f(x_2)g(x_2) + f(x_1 \wedge x_2)(g(x_1) - g(x_1 \wedge x_2)) \\ &\quad + (f(x_1) - f(x_1 \wedge x_2))g(x_1) \\ &= f(x_2)g(x_2) + f(x_1 \wedge x_2)g(x_1) - f(x_1 \wedge x_2)g(x_1 \wedge x_2) \\ &\quad + f(x_1)g(x_1) - f(x_1 \wedge x_2)g(x_1) \\ &= f(x_2)g(x_2) - f(x_1 \wedge x_2)g(x_1 \wedge x_2) + f(x_1)g(x_1) \end{aligned}$$

or

$$fg(x_1 \vee x_2) + fg(x_1 \wedge x_2) \geq fg(x_1) + fg(x_2)$$

$fg$  is supermodular. (I acknowledge the help of Don Topkis in formulating this proof.)

**2.52** Exercises 2.49 and 2.50.

**2.53** For simplicity, assume that the firm produces two products. For every production plan  $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y} &= (y_1, 0) \vee (0, y_2) \\ \mathbf{0} &= (y_1, 0) \wedge (0, y_2) \end{aligned}$$

If  $c$  is strictly submodular

$$c(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{y}) + c(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{0}) < c(\mathbf{w}, (y_1, 0)) + c(\mathbf{w}, (0, y_2))$$

Since  $c(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{0}) = 0$

$$c(\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{y}) < c(\mathbf{w}, (y_1, 0)) + c(\mathbf{w}, (0, y_2))$$

The technology displays economies of scope.

**2.54** Assume  $(N, w)$  is convex, that is

$$w(S \cup T) + w(S \cap T) \geq w(S) + w(T) \text{ for every } S, T \subseteq N$$

For all disjoint coalitions  $S \cap T = \emptyset$

$$w(S \cup T) \geq w(S) + w(T)$$

$w$  is superadditive.

**2.55** Rewriting (2.18), this implies

$$w(S \cup T) - w(T) \geq w(S) - w(S \cap T) \text{ for every } S, T \subseteq N \quad (2.7)$$

Let  $S \subset T \subset N \setminus \{i\}$  and let  $S' = S \cup \{i\}$ . Substituting in (2.7)

$$w(S' \cup T) - w(T) \geq w(S') - w(S' \cap T)$$

Since  $S \subset T$

$$\begin{aligned} S' \cup T &= (S \cup \{i\}) \cup T = T \cup \{i\} \\ S' \cap T &= (S \cup \{i\}) \cap T = S \end{aligned}$$

Substituting in the previous equation gives the required result, namely

$$w(T \cup \{i\}) - w(T) \geq w(S \cup \{i\}) - w(S)$$

Conversely, assume that

$$w(T \cup \{i\}) - w(T) \geq w(S \cup \{i\}) - w(S) \quad (2.8)$$

for every  $S \subset T \subset N \setminus \{i\}$ . Let  $S$  and  $T$  be arbitrary coalitions. Assume  $S \cap T \subset S$  and  $S \cap T \subset T$  (otherwise (2.18) is trivially satisfied). This implies that  $T \setminus S \neq \emptyset$ . Assume these players are labelled  $1, 2, \dots, m$ , that is  $T \setminus S = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . By (2.8)

$$w(S \cup \{1\}) - w(S) \geq w((S \cap T) \cup \{1\}) - w(S \cap T) \quad (2.9)$$

Successively adding the remaining players in  $T \setminus S$

$$\begin{aligned} w(S \cup \{1, 2\}) - w(S \cup \{1\}) &\geq w((S \cap T) \cup \{1, 2\}) - w((S \cap T) \cup \{1\}) \\ &\vdots \\ w(S \cup (T \setminus S)) - w(S \cup \{1, 2, \dots, m-1\}) &\geq w((S \cap T) \cup (T \setminus S)) \\ &\quad - w((S \cap T) \cup \{1, 2, \dots, m-1\}) \end{aligned}$$

Adding these inequalities to (2.9), we get

$$w(S \cup (T \setminus S)) - w(S) \geq w((S \cap T) \cup (T \setminus S)) - w(S \cap T)$$

This simplifies to

$$w(S \cup T) - w(S) \geq w(T) - w(S \cap T)$$

which can be arranged to give (2.18).

**2.56** The cost allocation game is not convex. Let  $S = \{AP, KM\}$ ,  $T = \{KM, TN\}$ . Then  $S \cup T = \{AP, KM, TN\} = N$  and  $S \cap T = \{KM\}$  and

$$w(S \cup T) + w(S \cap T) = 1530 < 1940 = 770 + 1170 = w(S) + w(T)$$

Alternatively, observe that TN's marginal contribution to coalition  $\{KM, TN\}$  is 1170, which is greater than its marginal contribution to the grand coalition  $\{AP, KM, TN\}$  ( $1530 - 770 = 760$ ).

**2.57**  $f$  is supermodular if

$$f(x_1 \vee x_2) + f(x_1 \wedge x_2) \geq f(x_1) + f(x_2)$$

which can be rearranged to give

$$f(x_1 \vee x_2) - f(x_2) \geq f(x_1) - f(x_1 \wedge x_2)$$

If the right hand side of this inequality is nonnegative, then so *a fortiori* is the left hand side, that is

$$f(x_1) \geq f(x_1 \wedge x_2) \implies f(x_1 \vee x_2) \geq f(x_2)$$

If the right hand side is strictly positive, so must be the left hand side

$$f(x_1) > f(x_1 \wedge x_2) \implies f(x_1 \vee x_2) > f(x_2)$$

**2.58** Assume  $x_2 \succsim x_1 \in X$  and  $y_2 \succsim_Y y_1 \in Y$ . Assume that  $f$  displays increasing differences in  $(x, y)$ , that is

$$f(x_2, y_2) - f(x_1, y_2) \geq f(x_2, y_1) - f(x_1, y_1) \quad (2.10)$$

Rearranging

$$f(x_2, y_2) - f(x_2, y_1) \geq f(x_1, y_2) - f(x_1, y_1) \quad (2.11)$$

Conversely, (2.11) implies (2.10) .

**2.59** We showed in the text that supermodularity implies increasing differences. To show that reverse, assume that  $f: X \times Y \rightarrow \Re$  displays increasing differences in  $(x, y)$ . Choose any  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in X \times Y$ . If  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  are comparable, so that either  $(x_1, y_1) \succsim (x_2, y_2)$  or  $(x_1, y_1) \precsim (x_2, y_2)$ , then (2.17) holds as an equality. Therefore assume that  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  are incomparable. Without loss of generality, assume that  $x_1 \precsim x_2$  while  $y_1 \succsim y_2$ . (This is where we require that  $X$  and  $Y$  be chains). This implies

$$(x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2, y_2) = (x_1, y_2) \text{ and } (x_1, y_1) \vee (x_2, y_2) = (x_2, y_1) \quad (2.12)$$

Increasing differences implies that

$$f(x_2, y_1) - f(x_1, y_1) \geq f(x_2, y_2) - f(x_1, y_2)$$

which can be rewritten as

$$f(x_2, y_1) + f(x_1, y_2) \geq f(x_1, y_1) + f(x_2, y_2)$$

Substituting (2.12)

$$f((x_1, y_1) \vee (x_2, y_2)) + f((x_1, y_1) \wedge (x_2, y_2)) \geq f(x_1, y_1) + f(x_2, y_2)$$

which establishes the supermodularity of  $f$  on  $X \times Y$  (2.17).

**2.60** In the standard Bertrand model of oligopoly

- the strategy space of each firm is  $\mathfrak{R}_+$ , a lattice.
- $u_i(p_i, \mathbf{p}_{-i})$  is supermodular in  $p_i$  (Exercise 2.51).
- If the other firm's increase their prices from  $\mathbf{p}_{-i}^1$  to  $\mathbf{p}_{-i}^2$ , the effect on the demand for firm  $i$ 's product is

$$f(p_i, \mathbf{p}_{-i}^2) - f(p_i, \mathbf{p}_{-i}^1) = \sum_{i \neq j} d_{ij}(p_j^2 - p_j^1)$$

If the goods are gross substitutes, demand for firm  $i$  increases and the amount of the increase is independent of  $p_i$ . Consequently, the effect on profit will be increasing in  $p_i$ . That is the payoff function (net revenue) has increasing differences in  $(p_i, \mathbf{p}_{-i})$ . Specifically,

$$u(p_i, \mathbf{p}_{-i}^2) - u(p_i, \mathbf{p}_{-i}^1) = \sum_{i \neq j} d_{ij}(p_i - \bar{c}_i)(p_j^2 - p_j^1)$$

For any price increase  $\mathbf{p}_{-i}^2 \succeq \mathbf{p}_{-i}^1$ , the change in profit  $u(p_i, \mathbf{p}_{-i}^2) - u(p_i, \mathbf{p}_{-i}^1)$  is increasing in  $p_i$ .

Hence, the Bertrand oligopoly model is a supermodular game.

**2.61** Suppose  $f$  displays increasing differences so that for all  $x_2 \succ x_1$  and  $y_2 \succ y_1$

$$f(x_2, y_2) - f(x_1, y_2) \geq f(x_2, y_1) - f(x_1, y_1)$$

Then

$$f(x_2, y_1) - f(x_1, y_1) \geq 0 \implies f(x_2, y_2) - f(x_1, y_2) \geq 0$$

and

$$f(x_2, y_1) - f(x_1, y_1) > 0 \implies f(x_2, y_2) - f(x_1, y_2) > 0$$

**2.62** For any  $\theta \in \Theta^*$ , let  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta)$ . Supermodularity implies

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) + f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta) + f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta)$$

which can be rearranged to give

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) - f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \tag{2.13}$$

However  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  are both maximal in  $G(\theta)$ .

$$f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \implies f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) - f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \leq 0$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \implies f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \geq 0$$

Substituting in (2.13), we conclude

$$0 \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) - f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \geq 0$$

This inequality must be satisfied as an equality with

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) = f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta)$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) = f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta)$$

That is  $\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta)$  and  $\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta)$ . By Exercise 2.45,  $\varphi$  has an increasing selection.



**2.63** As in the proof of the theorem, let  $\theta_1, \theta_2$  belong to  $\Theta$  with  $\theta_2 \succsim \theta_1$ . Choose any optimal solutions  $\mathbf{x}_1 \in \varphi(\theta_1)$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_2)$ . We claim that  $\mathbf{x}_2 \succsim_X \mathbf{x}_1$ . Assume otherwise, that is assume  $\mathbf{x}_2 \not\succeq_X \mathbf{x}_1$ . This implies (Exercise 1.44) that  $\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2 \neq \mathbf{x}_1$ . Since  $\mathbf{x}_1 \succ \mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2$ , we must have  $\mathbf{x}_1 \succ \mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2$ . Strictly increasing differences implies

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_2) - f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1) > f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1)$$

which can be rearranged to give

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_2) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) > f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1) \quad (2.14)$$

Supermodularity implies

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) + f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_2) + f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2)$$

which can be rearranged to give

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) - f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_2) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2)$$

Combining this inequality with (2.14) gives

$$f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) - f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) > f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1) \quad (2.15)$$

However  $\mathbf{x}_1$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2$  are optimal for their respective parameter values, that is

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) &\implies f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) - f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) \leq 0 \\ f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1) &\implies f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

Substituting in (2.15), we conclude

$$0 \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) - f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) > f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1) - f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1) \geq 0$$

This contradiction implies that our assumption that  $\mathbf{x}_2 \not\succeq_X \mathbf{x}_1$  is false.  $\mathbf{x}_2 \succsim_X \mathbf{x}_1$  as required.  $\varphi$  is always increasing.

**2.64** The budget correspondence is descending in  $\mathbf{p}$  and therefore ascending in  $-\mathbf{p}$ . Consequently, the indirect utility function

$$v(\mathbf{p}, m) = \sup_{\mathbf{x} \in X(\mathbf{p}, m)} u(\mathbf{x})$$

is increasing in  $-\mathbf{p}$ , that is decreasing in  $\mathbf{p}$ .

**2.65**  $\Leftarrow$  Let  $\theta_2 \succsim \theta_1$  and  $G_2 \succsim_S G_1$ . Select  $\mathbf{x}_1 \in \varphi(\theta_1, G_1)$  and  $\mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_2, G_2)$ . Since  $G_2 \succsim_S G_1$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2 \in G_1$ . Since  $\mathbf{x}_1$  is optimal ( $\mathbf{x}_1 \in \varphi(\theta_1, G_1)$ ),  $f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1)$ . Quasisupermodularity implies  $f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1)$ . By the single crossing condition  $f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2)$ . Therefore  $\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_2, G_2)$ .

Similarly, since  $G_2 \succsim_S G_1$ ,  $\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2 \in G(\theta_2)$ . But  $\mathbf{x}_2$  is optimal, which implies that  $f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2)$  or  $f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) \leq f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2)$ . The single crossing condition implies that a similar inequality holds at  $\theta_1$ , that is  $f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1) \leq f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1)$ . Quasisupermodularity implies that  $f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1) \leq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1)$ . Therefore  $\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_1, G_1)$ . Since  $\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_2, G_2)$  and  $\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_1, G_1)$ ,  $\varphi$  is increasing in  $(\theta, G)$ .

$\Rightarrow$  To show that  $f$  is quasisupermodular, suppose that  $\theta$  is fixed. Choose any  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2 \in X$ . Let  $G_1 = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2\}$  and  $G_2 = \{\mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2\}$ . Then  $G_2 \succsim_S G_1$ . Assume that  $f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1 \wedge \mathbf{x}_2, \theta)$ . Then  $\mathbf{x}_1 \in \varphi(\theta, G_1)$  which implies that  $\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta, G_2)$ . (If  $\mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta, G_2)$ , then also  $\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta, G_2)$  since  $\varphi$  is increasing in  $(\theta, G)$ ). But this implies that  $f(\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2, \theta) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta)$ .  $f$  is quasisupermodular in  $X$ .

To show that  $f$  satisfies the single crossing condition, choose any  $\mathbf{x}_2 \succsim \mathbf{x}_1$  and let  $G = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2\}$ . Assume that  $f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_1) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_1)$ . Then  $\mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_1, G)$  which implies that  $\mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_2, G)$  for any  $\theta_2 \succsim \theta_1$ . (If  $\mathbf{x}_1 \in \varphi(\theta_2, G)$ , then also  $\mathbf{x}_1 \vee \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{x}_2 \in \varphi(\theta_2, G)$  since  $\varphi$  is increasing in  $(\theta, G)$ .) But this implies that  $f(\mathbf{x}_2, \theta_2) \geq f(\mathbf{x}_1, \theta_2)$ .  $f$  satisfies the single crossing condition.

**2.66** First, assume that  $f$  is continuous. Let  $T$  be an open subset in  $Y$  and  $S = f^{-1}(T)$ . If  $S = \emptyset$ , it is open. Otherwise, choose  $x_0 \in S$  and let  $y_0 = f(x_0) \in T$ . Since  $T$  is open, there exists a neighborhood  $N(y_0) \subseteq T$ . Since  $f$  is continuous, there exists a corresponding neighborhood  $N(x_0)$  with  $f(N(x_0)) \subseteq N(y_0)$ . Since  $N(y_0) \subseteq T$ ,  $N(x_0) \subseteq S$ . This establishes that for every  $x_0 \in S$  there exist a neighborhood  $N(x_0)$  contained in  $S$ . That is,  $S$  is open in  $X$ .

Conversely, assume that the inverse image of every open set in  $Y$  is open in  $X$ . Choose some  $x_0 \in X$  and let  $y_0 = f(x_0)$ . Let  $T \subseteq Y$  be a neighborhood of  $y_0$ .  $T$  contains an open ball  $B_r(y_0)$  about  $y_0$ . By hypothesis, the inverse image  $S = f^{-1}(B_r(y_0))$  is open in  $X$ . Therefore, there exists a neighborhood  $N(x_0) \subseteq S$ . Since  $B_r(y_0) \subseteq T$ ,  $f(N(x_0)) \subseteq T$ . Since the choice of  $x_0$  was arbitrary, we conclude that  $f$  is continuous.

**2.67** Assume  $f$  is continuous. Let  $T$  be a closed set in  $Y$  and let  $S = f^{-1}(T)$ . Then,  $T^c$  is open. By the previous exercise,  $f^{-1}(T^c) = S^c$  is open and therefore  $S$  is closed. Conversely, for every open set  $T \subseteq Y$ ,  $T^c$  is closed. By hypothesis,  $S^c = f^{-1}(T^c)$  is closed and therefore  $S = f^{-1}(T)$  is open.  $f$  is continuous by the previous exercise.

**2.68** Assume  $f$  is continuous. Let  $x^n$  be a sequence converging to  $x$ . Let  $T$  be a neighborhood of  $f(x)$ . Since  $f$  is continuous, there exists a neighborhood  $S \ni x$  such that  $f(S) \subseteq T$ . Since  $x^n$  converges to  $x$ , there exists some  $N$  such that  $x^n \in S$  for all  $n \geq N$ . Consequently  $f(x^n) \in T$  for every  $n \geq N$ . This establishes that  $f(x^n) \rightarrow f(x)$ .

Conversely, assume that for every sequence  $x^n \rightarrow x$ ,  $f(x^n) \rightarrow f(x)$ . We show that if  $f$  were not continuous, it would be possible to construct a sequence which violates this hypothesis. Suppose then that  $f$  is not continuous. Then there exists a neighborhood  $T$  of  $f(x)$  such that for every neighborhood  $S$  of  $x$ , there is  $x' \in S$  with  $f(x') \notin T$ . In particular, consider the sequence of open balls  $B_{1/n}(x)$ . For every  $n$ , choose a point  $x^n \in B_{1/n}(x)$  with  $f(x^n) \notin T$ . Then  $x^n \rightarrow x$  but  $f(x^n)$  does not converge to  $f(x)$ . This contradicts the assumption. We conclude that  $f$  must be continuous.

**2.69** Since  $f$  is one-to-one and onto, it has an inverse  $g = f^{-1}$  which maps  $Y$  onto  $X$ . Let  $S$  be an open set in  $X$ . Since  $f$  is open,  $T = g^{-1}(S) = f(S)$  is open in  $Y$ . Therefore  $g = f^{-1}$  is continuous.

**2.70** Assume  $f$  is continuous. Let  $(x^n, y^n)$  be a sequence of points in  $\text{graph}(f)$  converging to  $(x, y)$ . Then  $y^n = f(x^n)$  and  $x^n \rightarrow x$ . Since  $f$  is continuous,  $y = f(x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x^n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} y^n$ . Therefore  $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(f)$  which is therefore closed.

**2.71** By the previous exercise,  $f$  continuous implies  $\text{graph}(f)$  closed. Conversely, suppose  $\text{graph}(f)$  is closed and let  $x^n$  be a sequence converging to  $x$ . Then  $(x^n, f(x^n))$  is a sequence in  $\text{graph}(f)$ . Since  $Y$  is compact,  $f(x^n)$  contains a subsequence which converges  $y$ . Since  $\text{graph}(f)$  is closed,  $(x, y) \in \text{graph}(f)$  and therefore  $y = f(x)$  and  $f(x^n) \rightarrow f(x)$ .

**2.72** Let  $T$  be an open set in  $Z$ . Since  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous,  $g^{-1}(T)$  is open in  $Y$  and  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(T))$  is open in  $X$ . But  $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(T)) = (f \circ g)^{-1}(T)$ . Therefore  $f \circ g$  is continuous.

**2.73** Exercises 1.201 and 2.68.

**2.74** Let  $u$  be defined as in Exercise 2.38. Let  $(\mathbf{x}^n)$  be a sequence converging to  $\mathbf{x}$ . Let  $z^n = u(\mathbf{x}^n)$  and  $z = u(\mathbf{x})$ . We need to show that  $z^n \rightarrow z$ .

$(z^n)$  **has a convergent subsequence.** Let  $\bar{z} = \max_i x_i$  and  $\underline{z} = \min_i x_i$ . Then  $z \in [\underline{z}, \bar{z}]$ . Fix some  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $\mathbf{x}^n \rightarrow \mathbf{x}$ , there exists some  $N$  such that  $\|\mathbf{x}^n - \mathbf{x}\|_\infty < \epsilon$  for every  $n \geq N$ . Consequently, for all  $n \geq N$ , the terms of the sequence  $(z^n)$  lie in the compact set  $[\underline{z} - \epsilon, \bar{z} + \epsilon]$ . Hence,  $(z^n)$  has a convergent subsequence  $(z^m)$ .

**Every convergent subsequence  $(z^m)$  converges to  $z$ .** Suppose not. That is, suppose there exists a convergent subsequence which converges to  $z'$ . Without loss of generality, assume  $z' > z$ . Let  $\hat{z} = \frac{1}{2}(z + z')$  and let  $\mathbf{z} = z\mathbf{1}$ ,  $\mathbf{z}' = z'\mathbf{1}$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{z}} = \hat{z}\mathbf{1}$  be the corresponding commodity bundles (see Exercise 2.38). Since  $z^m \rightarrow z' > \hat{z}$ , there exists some  $M$  such that  $z^m > \hat{z}$  for every  $m \geq M$ . This implies that

$$\mathbf{x}^m \sim \mathbf{z}^m \succ \hat{\mathbf{z}} \text{ for every } m \geq M$$

by monotonicity. Now  $\mathbf{x}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{x}$  and continuity of preferences implies that  $\mathbf{x} \succ \hat{\mathbf{z}}$ . However  $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathbf{z}$  which implies that  $\mathbf{z} \succ \hat{\mathbf{z}}$  which contradicts monotonicity, since  $\hat{\mathbf{z}} > \mathbf{z}$ . Consequently, every convergent subsequence  $(z^m)$  converges to  $z$ .

**2.75** Assume  $X$  is compact. Let  $y^n$  be a sequence in  $f(X)$ . There exists a sequence  $x^n$  in  $X$  with  $y^n = f(x^n)$ . Since  $X$  is compact, it contains a convergent subsequence  $x^m \rightarrow x$ . If  $f$  is continuous, the subsequence  $y^m = f(x^m)$  converges in  $f(X)$  (Exercise 2.68). Therefore  $f(X)$  is compact.

Assume  $X$  is connected but  $f(X)$  is not. This means there exists open subsets  $G$  and  $H$  in  $Y$  such that  $f(X) \subset G \cup H$  and  $(G \cap f(X)) \cap (H \cap f(X)) = \emptyset$ . This implies that  $X = f^{-1}(G) \cup f^{-1}(H)$  is a disconnection of  $X$ , which contradicts the connectedness of  $X$ .

**2.76** Let  $S$  be any open set in  $X$ . Its complement  $S^c$  is closed and therefore compact. Consequently,  $f(S^c)$  is compact (Exercise 2.3) and hence closed. Since  $f$  is one-to-one and onto,  $f(S)$  is the complement of  $f(S^c)$ , and thus open in  $Y$ . Therefore,  $f$  is an open mapping. By Exercise 2.69,  $f^{-1}$  is continuous and  $f$  is a homeomorphism.

**2.77** Assume  $f$  continuous. The sets  $\{f(x) \geq a\}$  and  $\{f(x) \leq a\}$  are closed subsets of the  $\mathfrak{R}$  and hence  $\succsim(a) = f^{-1}\{f(x) \geq a\}$  and  $\preceq(a) = f^{-1}\{f(x) \leq a\}$  are closed subsets of  $X$  (Exercise 2.67).

Conversely, assume that all upper  $\succsim(a)$  and lower  $\preceq(a)$  contour sets are closed. This implies that the sets  $\succ(a)$  and  $\prec(a)$  are open.

Let  $A$  be an open set in  $\mathfrak{R}$ . Then for every  $a \in A$ , there exists an open ball  $B_{r_a}(a) \subseteq A$

$$A = \bigcup_{a \in A} B_{r_a}(a)$$

For every  $a \in A$ ,  $B_{r_a}(a) = (a - r_a, a + r_a)$  and

$$f^{-1}(B_{r_a}(a)) = \succ(a - r_a) \cap \prec(a + r_a)$$

which is open. Consequently

$$f^{-1}(A) = \bigcup_{a \in A} f^{-1}(B_{r_a}(a)) = \bigcup_{a \in A} (\succ(a - r_a) \cap \prec(a + r_a))$$

is open.  $f$  is continuous by Exercise 2.66.

**2.78** Choose any  $x_0 \in X$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $f$  is continuous, there exists  $\delta_1$  such that

$$\rho(x, x_0) < \delta_1 \implies |f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon/2$$

Similarly, there exists  $\delta_2$  such that

$$\rho(x, x_0) < \delta_2 \implies |g(x) - g(x_0)| < \epsilon/2$$

Let  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\}$ . Then, provided  $\rho(x, x_0) < \delta$

$$\begin{aligned} |(f+g)(x) - (f+g)(x_0)| &= |f(x) + g(x) - f(x_0) - g(x_0)| \\ &\leq |f(x) - f(x_0)| + |g(x) - g(x_0)| \\ &< \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

This establishes  $f+g$  is continuous at  $x_0$ . Since  $x_0$  was arbitrary,  $f+g$  is continuous for every  $x_0 \in X$ . The continuity of  $\alpha f$  is shown similarly.

**2.79** Choose any  $x_0 \in X$ . Given  $0 < \eta \leq 1$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \eta \text{ and } |g(x) - g(x_0)| < \eta$$

whenever  $\rho(x, x_0) < \delta$ . Consequently, while  $\rho(x, x_0) < \delta$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)| &\leq |f(x) - f(x_0)| + |f(x_0)| \\ &< \eta + |f(x_0)| \\ &\leq 1 + |f(x_0)| \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |(fg)(x) - (fg)(x_0)| &= |f(x)g(x) - f(x_0)g(x_0)| \\ &= |f(x)(g(x) - g(x_0)) + g(x_0)(f(x) - f(x_0))| \\ &\leq |f(x)| |g(x) - g(x_0)| + |g(x_0)| |f(x) - f(x_0)| \\ &< \eta(1 + |f(x_0)| + |g(x_0)|) \end{aligned}$$

Given  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\eta = \min\{1, \epsilon/(1 + |f(x_0)| + |g(x_0)|)\}$ . Then, we have shown that there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\rho(x, x_0) < \delta \implies |(fg)(x) - (fg)(x_0)| < \epsilon$$

Therefore,  $fg$  is continuous at  $x_0$ .

**2.80** Apply Exercises 2.78 and 2.72.

**2.81** For any  $a \in \mathfrak{R}$ , the upper and lower contour sets of  $f \vee g$ , namely

$$\{x : \max\{f(x), g(x)\} \geq a\} = \{x : f(x) \geq a\} \cup \{x : g(x) \geq a\}$$

$$\{x : \max\{f(x), g(x)\} \leq a\} = \{x : f(x) \leq a\} \cap \{x : g(x) \leq a\}$$

are closed. Therefore  $f \vee g$  is continuous (Exercise 2.77). Similarly for  $f \wedge g$ .

**2.82** The set  $T = f(X)$  is compact (Proposition 2.3). We want to show that  $T$  has both largest and smallest elements. Assume otherwise, that is assume that  $T$  has no largest element. Then, the set of intervals  $\{(-\infty, t) : t \in T\}$  forms an open covering of  $T$ . Since  $T$  is compact, there exists a finite subcollection of intervals  $\{(-\infty, t_1), (-\infty, t_2), \dots, (-\infty, t_n)\}$  which covers  $T$ . Let  $t^*$  be the largest of these  $t_i$ . Then  $t^*$  does not belong to any of the intervals  $\{(-\infty, t_1), (-\infty, t_2), \dots, (-\infty, t_n)\}$ , contrary to the fact that they cover  $T$ . This contradiction shows that, contrary to our assumption, there must exist a largest element  $t^* \in T$ , that is  $t^* \geq t$  for all  $t \in T$ . Let  $x^* \in f^{-1}(t^*)$ . Then  $t^* = f(x^*) \geq f(x)$  for all  $x \in X$ . The existence of a smallest element is proved analogously.

**2.83** By Proposition 2.3,  $f(X)$  is connected and hence an interval (Exercise 1.95).

**2.84** The range  $f(X)$  is a compact subset of  $\mathfrak{R}$  (Proposition 2.3). Therefore  $f$  is bounded (Proposition 1.1).

**2.85** Let  $\tilde{C}(X)$  denote the set of all continuous (not necessarily bounded) functionals on  $X$ . Then

$$C(X) = B(X) \cap \tilde{C}(X)$$

$B(X)$ ,  $\tilde{C}(X)$  are a linear subspaces of the set of all functionals  $F(X)$  (Exercises 2.11, 2.78 respectively). Therefore  $C(X) = B(X) \cap \tilde{C}(X)$  is a subspace of  $F(X)$  (Exercise 1.130). Clearly  $C(X) \subseteq B(X)$ . Therefore  $C(X)$  is a linear subspace of  $B(X)$ .

Let  $f$  be a bounded function in the closure of  $C(X)$ , that is  $f \in \overline{C(X)}$ . We show that  $f$  is continuous. For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $f_0 \in C(X)$  such that  $\|f - f_0\| < \epsilon/3$ . Therefore  $|f(x) - f_0(x)| < \epsilon/3$  for every  $x \in X$ . Choose some  $x_0 \in X$ . Since  $f_0$  is continuous, there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\rho(x, x_0) < \delta \implies |f_0(x) - f_0(x_0)| < \epsilon/3$$

Therefore, for every  $x \in X$  such that  $\rho(x, x_0) < \delta$

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - f(x_0)| &= |f(x) - f_0(x) + f_0(x) - f_0(x_0) + f_0(x_0) - f(x_0)| \\ &\leq |f(x) - f_0(x)| + |f_0(x) - f_0(x_0)| + |f_0(x_0) - f(x_0)| \\ &< \epsilon/3 + \epsilon/3 + \epsilon/3 = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f$  is continuous at  $x_0$ . Since  $x_0$  was arbitrary, we conclude that  $f$  is continuous everywhere, that is  $f \in C(X)$ . Therefore  $C(X) = \overline{C(X)}$  and  $C(X)$  is closed in  $B(X)$ .

Since  $B(X)$  is complete (Exercise 2.11), we conclude that  $C(X)$  is complete (Exercise 1.107). Therefore  $C(X)$  is a Banach space.

**2.86** For every  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{R}$ ,

$$\{x : f(x) \geq \alpha\} = \{x : -f(x) \leq -\alpha\}$$

and therefore

$$\{x : f(x) \geq \alpha\} \text{ is closed} \iff \{x : -f(x) \leq -\alpha\} \text{ is closed}$$

**2.87** Exercise 2.77.

**2.88 1 implies 2** Suppose  $f$  is upper semi-continuous. Let  $x^n$  be a sequence converging to  $x_0$ . Assume  $f(x^n) \rightarrow \mu$ . For every  $\alpha < \mu$ , there exists some  $N$  such that  $f(x^n) > \alpha$  for every  $n \geq N$ . Hence

$$x_0 \in \overline{\{x : f(x) \geq \alpha\}} = \{x : f(x) \geq \alpha\}$$

since  $f$  is upper semi-continuous. That is,  $f(x_0) \geq \alpha$  for every  $\alpha < \mu$ . Hence  $f(x_0) \geq \mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(x^n)$ .

**2 implies 3** Let  $(x^n, y^n)$  be a sequence in hypo  $f$  which converges to  $(x, y)$ . That is,  $x^n \rightarrow x$ ,  $y^n \rightarrow y$  and  $y^n \leq f(x^n)$ . Condition 2 implies that  $f(x) \geq y$ . Hence,  $(x, y) \in \text{hypo } f$ . Therefore hypo  $f$  is closed.

**3 implies 1** For fixed  $\alpha \in \mathfrak{R}$ , let  $x^n$  be a sequence in  $\{x : f(x) \geq \alpha\}$ . Suppose  $x^n \rightarrow x_0$ . Then, the sequence  $(x^n, \alpha)$  converges to  $(x_0, \alpha) \in \text{hypo } f$ . Hence  $f(x_0) \geq \alpha$  and  $x_0 \in \{x : f(x) \geq \alpha\}$ , which is therefore closed (Exercise 1.106).

**2.89** Let  $M = \sup_{x \in X} f(x)$ , so that

$$f(x) \leq M \text{ for every } x \in X \quad (2.16)$$

There exists a sequence  $x^n$  in  $X$  with  $f(x^n) \rightarrow M$ . Since  $X$  is compact, there exists a convergent subsequence  $x^m \rightarrow x^*$  and  $f(x^m) \rightarrow M$ . However, since  $f$  is upper semi-continuous,  $f(x^*) \geq \lim f(x^m) = M$ . Combined with (2.16), we conclude that  $f(x^*) = M$ .

**2.90** Choose some  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $f$  is uniformly continuous, there exists some  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\rho(f(x^m), f(x^n)) < \epsilon$  for every  $x^m, x^n \in X$  such that  $\rho(x^m, x^n) < \delta$ . Let  $(x^n)$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $X$ . There exists some  $N$  such that  $\rho(x^m, x^n) < \delta$  for every  $m, n \geq N$ . Uniform continuity implies that  $\rho(f(x^m), f(x^n)) < \epsilon$  for every  $m, n \geq N$ .  $(f(x^n))$  is a Cauchy sequence.

**2.91** Suppose not. That is, suppose  $f$  is continuous but not uniformly continuous. Then there exists some  $\epsilon > 0$  such that for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , there exist points  $x_n^1, x_n^2$  such that

$$\rho(x_n^1, x_n^2) < 1/n \text{ but } \rho(f(x_n^1), f(x_n^2)) \geq \epsilon \quad (2.17)$$

Since  $X$  is compact,  $(x_n^1)$  has a subsequence  $(x_m^1)$  converging to some  $x \in X$ . By construction  $(\rho(x_n^1, x_n^2) < 1/n)$ , the sequence  $(x_m^2)$  also converges to  $x$  and by continuity

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} f(x_m^1) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} f(x_m^2)$$

which contradicts (2.17).

**2.92** Assume  $f$  is Lipschitz with constant  $\beta$ . For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , let  $\delta = \epsilon/2\beta$ . Then, provided  $\rho(x, x_0) \leq \delta$

$$\rho(f(x), f(x_0)) \leq \beta \rho(x, x_0) = \beta \delta = \beta \frac{\epsilon}{2\beta} = \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \epsilon$$

$f$  is uniformly continuous.

**2.93** Let  $f, g \in B(X)$ . Since  $B(X)$  is a normed linear space, for every  $x \in X$

$$f(x) - g(x) = (f - g)(x) \leq \|f - g\|$$

which implies that

$$f(x) \leq g(x) + \|f - g\|$$

Since  $T$  is increasing and satisfies (2.21)

$$T(f) \leq T(g + \|f - g\|) = T(g) + \beta \|f - g\|$$

or

$$T(f) - T(g) \leq \beta \|f - g\|$$

That is, for every  $x \in X$

$$(Tf - Tg)(x) \leq \beta \|f - g\|$$

and consequently

$$\|Tf - Tg\| \leq \beta \|f - g\|$$

$T$  is a contraction with modulus  $\beta$ .

**2.94** We have previously shown that  $T$  is increasing (Exercise 2.42). By direct calculation, for any constant  $c \in \mathfrak{R}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} T(v+c)(x) &= \sup_{y \in G(x)} \left\{ f(x, y) + \beta(v(y) + c) \right\} \\ &= \sup_{y \in G(x)} \left\{ f(x, y) + \beta v(y) \right\} + \beta c \\ &= T(v)(x) + \beta c \end{aligned}$$

**2.95** Assume that  $F$  is a compact subset of  $C(X)$ . Then  $F$  is bounded (Proposition 1.1). To show that  $F$  is equicontinuous, choose  $\epsilon > 0$ .  $F$  is totally bounded (Exercise 1.113), so that there exist finite set of functions  $\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n\}$  in  $F$  such that

$$\min_{k=1}^n \|f - f_k\| \leq \epsilon/3$$

Each  $f_k$  is uniformly continuous (Exercise 2.91), so that there exists  $\delta_k > 0$  such that

$$\rho(x, x_0) \leq \delta \implies \rho(f_k(x), f_k(x_0)) < \epsilon/3$$

Let  $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2, \dots, \delta_k\}$ . Given any  $f \in F$ , let  $k$  be such that  $\|f - f_k\| < \epsilon/3$ . Then for any  $x, x_0 \in X$ ,  $\rho(x, x_0) \leq \delta$  implies

$$\rho(f(x), f(x_0)) \leq \rho(f(x), f_k(x)) + \rho(f_k(x), f_k(x_0)) + \rho(f_k(x_0), f(x_0)) < \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon$$

for every  $f \in F$ . Therefore,  $F$  is equicontinuous.

Conversely, assume that  $F \subseteq C(X)$  is closed, bounded and equicontinuous. Let  $(f_n)$  be a bounded equicontinuous sequence of functions in  $F$ . We show that  $(f_n)$  has a convergent subsequence.

1. First, we show that for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is exists a subsequence  $(f_m)$  such that  $\|f_m - f_{m'}\| < \epsilon$  for every  $f_m, f_{m'}$  in the subsequence. Since the functions are equicontinuous, there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\rho(f_n(x) - f_n(x_0)) < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

for every  $x, x_0$  in  $X$  with  $\rho(x, x_0) \leq \delta$ . Since  $X$  is compact, it is totally bounded (Exercise 1.113). That is, there exist a finite number of open balls  $B_\delta(x_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  which cover  $X$ . The sequence  $(f_n(x_1), f_n(x_2), \dots, f_n(x_k))$  is a bounded sequence in  $\mathfrak{R}^n$ . By the Bolzano-Weierstrass theorem (Exercise 1.119), this sequence has a convergent subsequence  $(f_m(x_1), f_m(x_2), \dots, f_m(x_k))$  such that  $f_m(x_i) - f_{m'}(x_i) < \epsilon/3$  for  $i$  and every  $f_m, f_{m'}$  in the subsequence. Consequently, for any  $x \in X$ , there exists  $i$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(f_m(x), f_{m'}(x)) &\leq \rho(f_m(x), f_m(x_i)) + \rho(f_m(x_i), f_{m'}(x_i)) + \rho(f_{m'}(x_i), f_{m'}(x)) \\ &< \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

That is,  $\|f_m - f_{m'}\| < \epsilon$  for every  $f_m, f_{m'}$  in the subsequence.

2. Choose a ball  $B_1$  of radius 1 in  $C(X)$  which contains infinitely many elements of  $(f_n)$ . Applying step 1, there exists a ball  $B_2$  of radius 1/2 containing infinitely many elements of  $(f_n)$ . Proceeding in this fashion, we obtain a nested sequence  $B_1 \supseteq B_2 \supseteq \dots$  of balls in  $C(X)$  such that (a)  $d(B_i) \rightarrow 0$  and (b) each  $B_i$  contains infinitely many terms of  $(f_n)$ . Choosing  $f_{n_i} \in B_i$  gives a convergent subsequence.

**2.96** Let  $g \in \overline{F}$ . Then for every  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  and  $f \in F$  such that  $\|f - g\| < \epsilon/3$  and

$$\rho(x, x_0) \leq \delta \implies \rho(f(x), f(x_0)) < \epsilon/3$$

so that if  $\rho(x, x_0) \leq \delta$

$$\|g(x) - g(x_0)\| \leq \|f(x) - g(x)\| + \|f(x) - f(x_0)\| + \|f(x_0) - g(x_0)\| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} + \frac{\epsilon}{3} = \epsilon$$

**2.97** For every  $T \subseteq Y$

$$\varphi^-(T^c) = \{x \in X : \varphi(x) \cap T^c \neq \emptyset\}$$

$$\varphi^+(T) = \{x \in X : \varphi(x) \subseteq T\}$$

For every  $x \in X$  either  $\varphi(x) \subseteq T$  or  $\varphi(x) \cap T^c \neq \emptyset$  but not both. Therefore

$$\varphi^+(T) \cup \varphi^-(T^c) = X$$

$$\varphi^+(T) \cap \varphi^-(T^c) = \emptyset$$

That is

$$\varphi^+(T) = \left(\varphi^-(T^c)\right)^c$$

**2.98** Assume  $x \in \varphi(T)^{-1}$ . Then  $\varphi(x) = T$ ,  $\varphi(x) \subseteq T$  and  $x \in \varphi^+(T)$ . Now assume  $x \in \varphi^+(T)$  so that  $\varphi(x) \subseteq T$ . Consequently,  $\varphi(x) \cap T = \varphi(x) \neq \emptyset$  and  $x \in \varphi^-(T)$ .

**2.99** The respective inverses are:

	$\varphi_2^{-1}$	$\varphi_2^+$	$\varphi_2^-$
$\{t_1\}$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\{s_1\}$
$\{t_2\}$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\{s_1, s_2\}$
$\{t_1, t_2\}$	$\{s_1\}$	$\{s_1\}$	$\{s_1, s_2\}$
$\{t_2, t_3\}$	$\{s_2\}$	$\{s_2\}$	$\{s_1, s_2\}$
$\{t_1, t_2, t_3\}$	$\emptyset$	$\{s_1, s_2\}$	$\{s_1, s_2\}$

**2.100** Let  $T$  be an open interval meeting  $\varphi(1)$ , that is  $\varphi(1) \cap T \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $\varphi(1) = \{1\}$ , we must have  $1 \in T$  and therefore  $\varphi(x) \cap T \neq \emptyset$  for every  $x \in X$ . Therefore  $\varphi$  is lhc at  $x = 1$ . On the other hand, the open interval  $T = (1/2, 3/2)$  contains  $\varphi(1)$  but it does not contain  $\varphi(x)$  for any  $x > 1$ . Therefore,  $\varphi$  is not uhc at  $x = 1$ .

**2.101** Choose any open set  $T \subseteq Y$  and  $x \in X$ . Since  $\varphi(x) = K = \varphi(x')$  for every  $x, x' \in X$

- $\varphi(x) \subseteq T$  if and only if  $\varphi(x') \subseteq T$  for every  $x, x' \in X$
- $\varphi(x) \cap T \neq \emptyset$  if and only if  $\varphi(x') \cap T \neq \emptyset$  for every  $x, x' \in X$ .

Consequently,  $\varphi$  is both uhc and lhc at all  $x \in X$ .

**2.102** First assume that the  $\varphi$  is uhc. Let  $T$  be any open subset in  $Y$  and  $S = \varphi^+(T)$ . If  $S = \emptyset$ , it is open. Otherwise, choose  $x_0 \in S$  so that  $\varphi(x_0) \subseteq T$ . Since  $\varphi$  is uhc, there exists a neighborhood  $S(x_0)$  such that  $\varphi(x) \subseteq T$  for every  $x \in S(x_0)$ . That is,  $S(x_0) \subseteq \varphi^+(T) = S$ . This establishes that for every  $x_0 \in S$  there exist a neighborhood  $S(x_0)$  contained in  $S$ . That is,  $S$  is open in  $X$ .

Conversely, assume that the upper inverse of every open set in  $Y$  is open in  $X$ . Choose some  $x_0 \in X$  and let  $T$  be an open set containing  $\varphi(x_0)$ . Let  $S = \varphi^+(T)$ .  $S$  is an open set containing  $x_0$ . That is,  $S$  is a neighborhood of  $x_0$  with  $\varphi(x) \subseteq T$  for every  $x \in S$ . Since the choice of  $x_0$  was arbitrary, we conclude that  $\varphi$  is uhc.

The lhc case is analogous.



**2.103** Assume  $\varphi$  is uhc and  $T$  be any closed set in  $Y$ . By Exercise 2.97

$$\varphi^-(T) = \left[ \varphi^+(T^c) \right]$$

$T^c$  is open. By the previous exercise,  $\varphi^+(T^c)$  is open which implies that  $\varphi^-(T)$  is closed.

Conversely, assume  $\varphi^-(T)$  is closed for every closed set  $T$ . Let  $T$  be an open subset of  $Y$  so that  $T^c$  is closed. Again by Exercise 2.97,

$$\varphi^+(T) = \left[ \varphi^-(T^c) \right]$$

By assumption  $\varphi^-(T^c)$  is closed and therefore  $\varphi^+(T)$  is open. By the previous exercise,  $\varphi$  is uhc.

The lhc case is analogous.

**2.104** Assume that  $\varphi$  is uhc at  $x_0$ . We first show that  $(y^n)$  is bounded and hence has a convergent subsequence. Since  $\varphi(x_0)$  is compact, there exists a bounded open set  $T$  containing  $\varphi(x_0)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is uhc, there exists a neighborhood  $S$  of  $x_0$  such that  $\varphi(x) \subseteq T$  for  $x \in S$ . Since  $x^n \rightarrow x_0$ , there exists some  $N$  such that  $x^n \in S$  for every  $n \geq N$ . Consequently,  $\varphi(x^n) \subseteq T$  for every  $n \geq N$  and therefore  $y^n \in T$  for every  $n \geq N$ . The sequence  $y^n$  is bounded and hence has a convergent subsequence  $y^m \rightarrow y_0$ .

To complete the proof, we have to show that  $y_0 \in \varphi(x_0)$ . Assume not, assume that  $y_0 \notin \varphi(x_0)$ . Then, there exists an open set  $T$  containing  $\varphi(x_0)$  such that  $y_0 \notin \overline{T}$  (Exercise 1.93). Since  $\varphi$  is uhc, there exists  $N$  such that  $\varphi(x^n) \subseteq T$  for every  $n \geq N$ . This implies that  $y^m \in T$  for every  $m \geq N$ . Since  $y^m \rightarrow y_0$ , we conclude that  $y_0 \in \overline{T}$ , contradicting the specification of  $T$ .

Conversely, suppose that for every sequence  $x^n \rightarrow x_0$ ,  $y^n \in \varphi(x^n)$ , there is a subsequence of  $y^m \rightarrow y_0 \in \varphi(x_0)$ . Suppose that  $\varphi$  is not uhc at  $x_0$ . That is, there exists an open set  $T \supseteq \varphi(x_0)$  such that every neighborhood contains some  $x$  with  $\varphi(x) \not\subseteq T$ . From the sequence of neighborhoods  $B_{1/n}(x_0)$ , we can construct a sequence  $x^n \rightarrow x_0$  and  $y^n \in \varphi(x^n)$  but  $y^n \notin T$ . Such a sequence cannot have a subsequence which converges to  $y^0 \in \varphi(x_0)$ , contradicting the hypothesis. We conclude that  $\varphi$  must be uhc at  $x_0$ .

**2.105** Assume that  $\varphi$  is lhc. Let  $x^n$  be a sequence converging to  $x_0$  and  $y_0 \in \varphi(x_0)$ . Consider the sequence of open balls  $B_{1/m}(y_0)$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots$ . Note that every  $B_{1/m}(y_0)$  meets  $\varphi(x_0)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is lhc, there exists a sequence  $(S^m)$  of neighborhoods of  $x_0$  such that  $\varphi(x) \cap B_{1/m} \neq \emptyset$  for every  $x \in S^m$ . Since  $x^n \rightarrow x_0$ , for every  $m$ , there exists some  $N_m$  such that  $x^n \in S^m$  for every  $n \geq N_m$ . Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $N_1 < N_2 < N_3 \dots$ . We can now construct the desired sequence  $y^n$ . For each  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , choose  $y^n$  in the set  $\varphi(x^n) \cap B_{1/m}$  where  $N_m \leq n \leq N_{m+1}$  since

$$n \geq N_m \implies x^n \in S^m \implies \varphi(x^n) \cap B_{1/m} \neq \emptyset$$

Since  $y^n \in B_{1/m}(y_0)$ , the sequence  $(y^n)$  converges to  $y_0$  and  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Conversely, assume that  $\varphi$  is not lhc at  $x_0$ , that is there exists an open set  $T$  with  $T \cap \varphi(x_0) \neq \emptyset$  such that every neighborhood  $S \ni x_0$  contains some  $x$  with  $\varphi(x) \cap T = \emptyset$ . Therefore, there exists a sequence  $x^n \rightarrow x_0$  with  $\varphi(x^n) \cap T = \emptyset$ . Choose any  $y_0 \in \varphi(x_0) \cap T$ . By assumption, there exists a sequence  $y^n \rightarrow y_0$  with  $y^n \in \varphi(x^n)$ . Since  $T$  is open and  $y_0 \in T$ , there exists some  $N$  such that  $y^n \in T$  for all  $n \geq N$ , for which  $\varphi(y^n) \cap T \neq \emptyset$ . This contradiction establishes that  $\varphi$  is lhc at  $x_0$ .

- 2.106** 1. Assume  $\varphi$  is closed. For any  $x \in X$ , let  $(y^n)$  be a sequence in  $\varphi(x)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is closed,  $y^n \rightarrow y \in \varphi(x)$ . Therefore  $\varphi(x)$  is closed.
2. Assume  $\varphi$  is closed-valued and uhc. Choose any  $(x, y) \notin \text{graph}(\varphi)$ . Since  $\varphi(x)$  is closed, there exist disjoint open sets  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  in  $Y$  such that  $y \in T_1$  and  $\varphi(x) \subseteq T_2$  (Exercise 1.93). Since  $\varphi$  is uhc,  $\varphi^+(T_2)$  is a neighborhood of  $x$ . Therefore  $\varphi^+(T_2) \times T_1$  is a neighborhood of  $(x, y)$  disjoint from  $\text{graph}(\varphi)$ . Therefore the complement of  $\text{graph}(\varphi)$  is open, which implies that  $\text{graph}(\varphi)$  is closed.
3. Since  $\varphi$  is closed and  $Y$  compact,  $\varphi$  is compact-valued. Let  $(x^n) \rightarrow x$  be a sequence in  $X$  and  $(y^n)$  a sequence in  $Y$  with  $y^n \in \varphi(x^n)$ . Since  $Y$  is compact, there exists a subsequence  $y^m \rightarrow y$ . Since  $\varphi$  is closed,  $y \in \varphi(x)$ . Therefore, by Exercise 2.104,  $\varphi$  is uhc.

**2.107** Assume  $\varphi$  is closed-valued and uhc. Then  $\varphi$  is closed (Exercise 2.106). Conversely, if  $\varphi$  is closed, then  $\varphi(x)$  is closed for every  $x$  (Exercise 2.106). If  $Y$  is compact, then  $\varphi$  is compact-valued (Exercise 1.110). By Exercise 2.104,  $\varphi$  is uhc.

**2.108**  $\varphi_1$  is closed-valued (Exercise 2.106). Similarly,  $\varphi_2$  is closed-valued (Proposition 1.1). Therefore, for every  $x \in X$ ,  $\varphi(x) = \varphi_1(x) \cap \varphi_2(x)$  is closed (Exercise 1.85) and hence compact (Exercise 1.110). Hence  $\varphi$  is compact-valued.

Now, for any  $x_0 \in X$ , let  $T$  be an open neighborhood of  $\varphi(x_0)$ . We need to show that there is a neighborhood  $S$  of  $x_0$  such that  $\varphi(S) \subseteq T$ .

**Case 1**  $T \supseteq \varphi_2(x_0)$ : Since  $\varphi_2$  is uhc, there exists a neighborhood  $S \ni x_0$  such that  $\varphi_2(S) \subseteq T$  which implies that  $\varphi(S) \subseteq \varphi_2(S) \subseteq T$

**Case 2**  $T \not\supseteq \varphi_2(x_0)$ : Let  $K = \varphi_2(x_0) \setminus T \neq \emptyset$ . For every  $y \in K$ , there exist neighborhoods  $S_y(x_0)$  and  $T(y)$  such that  $\varphi_1(S_y(x_0)) \cap T(y) = \emptyset$  (Exercise 1.93). The sets  $T(y)$  constitute an open covering of  $K$ . Since  $K$  is compact, there exists a finite subcover, that is there exists a finite number of elements  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n$  such that

$$K \subseteq \bigcup_{i=1}^n T(y_i)$$

Let  $T(K)$  denote  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n T(y_i)$ . Note that  $T \cup T(K)$  is an open set containing  $\varphi_2(x_0)$ . Since  $\varphi_2$  is uhc, there exists a neighborhood  $S'(x_0)$  such that  $\varphi_2(S'(x_0)) \subseteq T \cup T(K)$ . Let

$$S(x_0) = \bigcap_{i=1}^n S_{y_i}(x_0) \cap S'(x_0)$$

$S(x_0)$  is an open neighborhood of  $x_0$  for which

$$\varphi_1(S(x_0)) \cap T(K) = \emptyset \text{ and } \varphi_2(S(x_0)) \subseteq T \cup T(K)$$

from which we conclude that

$$\varphi(S(x_0)) = \varphi_1(S(x_0)) \cap \varphi_2(S(x_0)) \subseteq T$$

**2.109** 1. Let  $\mathbf{x} \in X(\mathbf{p}, m) \cap T$ . Then  $\mathbf{x} \in X(\mathbf{p}, m)$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \leq m$ . Since  $T$  is open, there exists  $\alpha < 1$  such that  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} = \alpha \mathbf{x} \in T$  and

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i \tilde{x}_i = \alpha \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i < \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \leq m$$

2. (a) Suppose that  $X(\mathbf{p}, m)$  is *not* lhc. Then for every neighborhood  $S$  of  $(\mathbf{p}, m)$ , there exists  $(\mathbf{p}', m') \in S$  such that  $X(\mathbf{p}', m') \cap T = \emptyset$ . In particular, for every open ball  $B_n(\mathbf{p}, m)$ , there exists a point  $(\mathbf{p}^n, m^n) \in B_n(\mathbf{p}, m)$  such that  $X(\mathbf{p}^n, m^n) \cap T = \emptyset$ .  $((\mathbf{p}^n, m^n))$  is the required sequence.
- (b) By construction,  $\|\mathbf{p}^n - \mathbf{p}\| < 1/n \rightarrow 0$  which implies that  $p_i^n \rightarrow p_i$  for every  $i$ . Therefore (Exercise 1.202)

$$\sum p_i^n \tilde{x}_i \rightarrow \sum p_i \tilde{x}_i < m \text{ and } m^n \rightarrow m$$

and therefore there exists  $N$  such that

$$\sum p_i^N \tilde{x}_i < m^N$$

which implies that

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in X(\mathbf{p}^N, m^N)$$

- (c) Also by construction  $X(\mathbf{p}^N, m^N) \cap T = \emptyset$  which implies  $X(\mathbf{p}^N, m^N) \subseteq T^c$  and therefore

$$\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in X(\mathbf{p}^N, m^N) \implies \tilde{\mathbf{x}} \notin T$$

The assumption that  $X(\mathbf{p}, m)$  is not lhc at  $(\mathbf{p}, m)$  implies that  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \notin T$ , contradicting the conclusion in part 1 that  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}} \in T$ .

3. This contradiction establishes that  $(\mathbf{p}, m)$  is lhc at  $(\mathbf{p}, m)$ . Since the choice of  $(\mathbf{p}, m)$  was arbitrary, we conclude that the budget correspondence  $X(\mathbf{p}, m)$  is lhc for all  $(\mathbf{p}, m) \in P$  (assuming  $X = \mathfrak{R}_+^n$ ).
4. In the previous example (Example 2.89), we have shown that  $X(\mathbf{p}, m)$  is uhc. Hence, the budget correspondence is continuous for all  $(\mathbf{p}, m)$  such that  $m > \inf_{\mathbf{x} \in X} \sum_{i=1}^m p_i x_i$ .

**2.110** We give two alternative proofs.

**Proof 1** Let  $\mathcal{C} = \{S\}$  be an open cover of  $\varphi(K)$ . For every  $x \in K$ ,  $\varphi(x) \subseteq \varphi(K)$  is compact and hence can be covered by a finite number of the sets  $S \in \mathcal{C}$ . Let  $S_x$  denote the union of the finite cover of  $\varphi(x)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is uhc, every  $\varphi^+(S_x)$  is open in  $X$ . Therefore  $\{\varphi^+(S_x) : x \in K\}$  is an open covering of  $K$ . If  $K$  is compact, it contains an finite covering  $\{\varphi^+(S_{x_1}), \varphi^+(S_{x_2}), \dots, \varphi^+(S_{x_n})\}$ . The sets  $S_{x_1}, S_{x_2}, \dots, S_{x_n}$  are a finite subcovering of  $\varphi(K)$ .

**Proof 2** Let  $(y^n)$  be a sequence in  $\varphi(K)$ . We have to show that  $(y^n)$  has a convergent subsequence with a limit in  $\varphi(K)$ . For every  $y^n$ , there is an  $x^n$  with  $y^n \in \varphi(x^n)$ . Since  $K$  is compact, the sequence  $(x^n)$  has a convergent subsequence  $x^m \rightarrow x \in K$ . Since  $\varphi$  is uhc, the sequence  $(y^m)$  has a subsequence  $(y^p)$  which converges to  $y \in \varphi(x) \subseteq \varphi(K)$ . Hence the original sequence  $(y^n)$  has a convergent subsequence.

**2.111** The sets  $X, \varphi(X), \varphi^2(X), \dots$  form a sequence of nonempty compact sets. Since  $\varphi(X) \subseteq X, \varphi^2(X) \subseteq \varphi(X)$  and so on, the sequence of sets  $\varphi^n X$  is decreasing. Let

$$K = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi^n(X)$$

By the nested intersection theorem (Exercise 1.117),  $K \neq \emptyset$ . Since  $K \subseteq \varphi^{n-1}(X)$ ,  $\varphi(K) \subseteq \varphi^n(X)$  for every  $n$ , which implies that  $\varphi(K) \subseteq K$ .

To show that  $K \subseteq \varphi(K)$ , let  $y \in K$ . For every  $n$  there exists an  $x^n \in \varphi^n(X)$  such that  $y \in \varphi(x^n)$ . Since  $X$  is compact, there exists a subsequence  $x^m \rightarrow x_0$ . Since  $x^m \in \varphi^m(X)$  for every  $m$ ,  $x_0 \in K$ . The sequence  $(x^m, y) \rightarrow (x_0, y)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is closed (Exercise 2.107),  $y \in \varphi(x_0)$ . Therefore  $y \in \varphi(K)$  which implies that  $K \subseteq \varphi(K)$ .

**2.112**  $\varphi(x)$  is compact for every  $x \in X$  by Tychonoff's theorem (Proposition 1.2). Let  $x^k \rightarrow x$  be a sequence in  $X$  and let  $y^k = (y_1^k, y_2^k, \dots, y_n^k)$  with  $y_i^k \in \varphi(x^k)$  be a corresponding sequence of points in  $Y$ . For each  $y_i^k$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , there exists a subsequence  $y_i^{k'} \rightarrow y_i$  with  $y_i \in \varphi_i(x)$  (Exercise 2.104). Therefore  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in \varphi(x)$  which implies that  $\varphi$  is uhc.

**2.113** Let  $v \in C(X)$ . For every  $x \in X$ , the maximand  $f(x, y) + \beta v(y)$  is a continuous function on a compact set  $G(x)$ . Therefore the supremum is attained, and max can replace sup in the definition of the operator  $T$  (Theorem 2.2).  $Tv$  is the value function for the constrained optimization problem

$$\max_{y \in G(x)} \{ f(x, y) + \beta v(y) \}$$

satisfying the requirements of the continuous maximum theorem (Theorem 2.3), which ensures that  $Tv$  is continuous on  $X$ . We have previously shown that  $Tv$  is bounded (Exercise 2.18). Therefore  $Tv \in C(X)$ .

**2.114** 1.  $S$  has a least upper bound since  $X$  is a complete lattice. Let  $s^* = \sup S$ . Then  $S^* = \succsim(s^*)$  is a complete sublattice of  $X$  (Exercise 1.48).

2. For every  $s \in S$ ,  $s \preceq s^*$  and since  $f$  is increasing and  $s$  is a fixed point

$$s = f(s) \preceq f(s^*)$$

Therefore  $f(s^*) \in S^*$ . ( $f(s^*)$  is an upper bound of  $S$ ). Again, since  $f$  is increasing, this implies that  $f(x) \succsim f(s^*)$  for every  $x \in S^*$ . Therefore  $f(S^*) \subseteq S^*$ .

3. Let  $g$  be the restriction of  $f$  to the sublattice  $S^*$ . Since  $f(S^*) \subseteq S^*$ ,  $g$  is an increasing function on a complete lattice. Applying Theorem 2.4,  $g$  has a smallest fixed point  $\tilde{x}$ .

4.  $\tilde{x}$  is a fixed point of  $f$ , that is  $\tilde{x} \in E$ . Furthermore,  $\tilde{x} \in S^*$ . Therefore  $\tilde{x}$  is an upper bound for  $S$  in  $E$ . Moreover,  $\tilde{x}$  is the smallest fixed point of  $f$  in  $S^*$ . Therefore,  $\tilde{x}$  is the least upper bound of  $S$  in  $E$ .

5. By Exercise 1.47, this implies that  $E$  is a complete lattice.

In Example 2.91, if  $S = \{(2, 1), (1, 2)\}$ ,  $S^* = \{(2, 2), (3, 2), (2, 3), (3, 3)\}$  and  $\tilde{x} = (3, 3)$ .

**2.115** 1. For every  $x \in M$ , there exists some  $y_x \in \varphi(x)$  such that  $y_x \preceq x$ . Moreover, since  $\varphi$  is increasing and  $\tilde{x} \preceq x$ , there exists some  $z_x \in \varphi(\tilde{x})$  such that

$$z_x \preceq y_x \preceq x \text{ for every } x \in M$$

2. Let  $\tilde{z} = \inf \{z_x\}$

(a) Since  $z_x \preceq x$  for every  $x \in M$ ,  $\tilde{z} = \inf \{z_x\} \preceq \inf \{x\} = \tilde{x}$ .

(b) Since  $\varphi(\tilde{x})$  is a complete sublattice of  $X$ ,  $\tilde{z} = \inf \{z_x\} \in \varphi(\tilde{x})$ .

3. Therefore,  $\tilde{x} \in M$ .

4. Since  $\tilde{z} \preceq \tilde{x}$  and  $\varphi$  is increasing, there exists some  $y \in \varphi(\tilde{z})$  such that

$$y \preceq \tilde{z} \in \varphi(\tilde{x})$$

Hence  $\tilde{z} \in M$ .

5. This implies that  $\tilde{x} \succsim \tilde{z}$ . Therefore

$$\tilde{x} = \tilde{z} \in \varphi(\tilde{x})$$

$\tilde{x}$  is a fixed point of  $\varphi$ .

6. Since  $E \subseteq M$ ,  $\tilde{x} = \inf M$  is the least fixed point of  $\varphi$ .

**2.116** 1. Let  $S \subseteq E$  and  $s^* = \sup S$ . For every  $x \in S$ ,  $x \in \varphi(x)$ . Since  $\varphi$  is increasing, there exists some  $z_x \in \varphi(s^*)$  such that  $z_x \succsim x$ .

2. Let  $z^* = \sup z_x$ . Then

(a) Since  $z_x \succsim x$  for every  $x \in S$ ,  $z^* = \sup z_x \succsim \sup x = s^*$

(b)  $z^* \in \varphi(s^*)$  since  $\varphi(s^*)$  is a complete sublattice.

3. Define

$$S^* = \{ x \in X : x \succsim s \text{ for every } s \in S \}$$

$S^*$  is the set of all upper bounds of  $S$  in  $X$ . Then  $S^*$  is a complete lattice, since

$$S^* = \bigwedge (s^*)$$

4. Let  $\mu: S^* \rightrightarrows S^*$  be the correspondence

$$\mu(x) = \varphi(x) \cap \psi(x)$$

where  $\psi: S^* \rightrightarrows S^*$  is the constant correspondence defined by  $\psi(x) = S^*$  for every  $x \in S^*$ . Then

(a) Since  $\varphi$  is increasing, for every  $x \succsim s^*$ , there exists some  $y_x \in \varphi(x)$  such that  $y_x \succsim s^*$ . Therefore  $\mu(x) \neq \emptyset$  for every  $x \in S^*$ .

(b) Both  $\varphi(x)$  and  $\psi(x)$  are complete sublattices for every  $x \in S^*$ . Therefore  $\mu(x)$  is a complete sublattice for every  $x \in S^*$ .

(c) Since both  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  are increasing on  $S^*$ ,  $\mu$  is increasing on  $S^*$  (Exercise 2.47).

5. By the previous exercise,  $\mu$  has a least fixed point  $\tilde{x}$ .

6.  $\tilde{x} \in S^*$  is an upper bound of  $S$ . Therefore  $\tilde{x}$  is the least upper bound of  $S$  in  $E$ .

7. By the previous exercise,  $E$  has a least element. Since we have shown every subset  $S \subseteq E$  has a least upper bound, this establishes that  $E$  is complete lattice (Exercise 1.47).

**2.117** For any  $i$ , let  $\mathbf{a}_{-i}^1, \mathbf{a}_{-i}^2 \in A_{-i}$  with  $\mathbf{a}_{-i}^2 \succsim \mathbf{a}_{-i}^1$ . Let  $\bar{a}_i^1 = f(\mathbf{a}_{-i}^1)$  and  $\bar{a}_i^2 = f(\mathbf{a}_{-i}^2)$ . We want to show that  $\bar{a}_i^2 \succsim \bar{a}_i^1$ . Since  $\bar{a}_i^1 \in B(\mathbf{a}_{-i}^1)$  and  $B(\mathbf{a}_{-i})$  is increasing, there exists some  $a_i \in B(\mathbf{a}_{-i}^2)$  such that  $a_i \succsim \bar{a}_i^1$ . (Exercise 2.44). Therefore

$$\sup B(\mathbf{a}_{-i}) = \bar{a}_i^2 \succsim a_i \succsim \bar{a}_i^1$$

$\bar{f}_i$  is increasing.

**2.118** For any player  $i$ , their best response correspondence  $B_i(\mathbf{a}_{-i})$  is

1. increasing by the monotone maximum theorem (Theorem 2.1).
2. a complete sublattice of  $A_i$  for every  $\mathbf{a}_{-i} \in A_{-i}$  (Corollary 2.1.1).

The joint best response correspondence

$$B(\mathbf{a}) = B_1(\mathbf{a}_{-1}) \times B_2(\mathbf{a}_{-2}) \times \cdots \times B_n(\mathbf{a}_{-n})$$

is also

1. increasing (Exercise 2.46)
2. a complete sublattice of  $A$  for every  $\mathbf{a} \in A$

Therefore, the best response correspondence  $B(\mathbf{a})$  satisfies the conditions of Zhou's theorem, which implies that the set  $E$  of fixed points of  $B$  is a nonempty complete lattice.  $E$  is precisely the set of Nash equilibria of the game.

**2.119** In proving the theorem, we showed that

$$\rho(x^n, x^{n+m}) \leq \frac{\beta^n}{1-\beta} \rho(x^0, x^1)$$

for every  $m, n \geq 0$ . Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $x^{n+m} \rightarrow x$  and therefore

$$\rho(x^n, x) \leq \frac{\beta^n}{1-\beta} \rho(x^0, x^1)$$

Similarly, for every  $n, m \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x^n, x^{n+m}) &\leq \rho(x^n, x^{n+1}) + \rho(x^{n+1}, x^{n+2}) + \cdots + \rho(x^{n+m-1}, x^{n+m}) \\ &\leq (\beta + \beta^2 + \cdots + \beta^m) \rho(x^{n-1}, x^n) \\ &\leq \frac{\beta(1-\beta^m)}{1-\beta} \rho(x^{n-1}, x^n) \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $m \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $x^{n+m} \rightarrow x$  and  $\beta^m \rightarrow 0$  so that

$$\rho(x^n, x) \leq \frac{\beta}{1-\beta} \rho(x^{n-1}, x^n)$$

**2.120** First observe that  $f(x) \geq 1$  for every  $x \geq 1$ . Therefore  $f: X \rightarrow X$ . For any  $x, z \in X$

$$\frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y} = \frac{x - y + \frac{2}{x} - \frac{2}{y}}{2(x - y)} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{xy}$$

Since  $\frac{1}{xy} \leq 1$  for all  $x, y \in X$

$$-\frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

so that

$$\left| \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y} \right| = \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|} \leq \frac{1}{2}$$

or

$$|f(x) - f(y)| \leq \frac{1}{2} |x - y|$$

$f$  is a contraction on  $X$  with modulus  $1/2$ .

$X$  is closed and hence complete (Exercise 1.107). Therefore,  $f$  has a fixed point. That is, there exists  $x_0 \in X$  such that

$$x_0 = f(x_0) = \frac{1}{2}\left(x_0 + \frac{2}{x_0}\right)$$

Rearranging

$$2x_0^2 = x_0^2 + 2 \implies x_0^2 = 2$$

so that  $x_0 = \sqrt{2}$ .

Letting  $x^0 = 2$

$$x^1 = \frac{1}{2}(2 + 1) = \frac{3}{2}$$

Using the error bounds in Corollary 2.5.1,

$$\begin{aligned} \rho(x^n, \sqrt{2}) &\leq \frac{\beta^n}{1 - \beta} \rho(x^0, x^1) \\ &= \frac{(1/2)^n}{1/2} 1/2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2^n} \\ &= \frac{1}{1024} < 0.001 \end{aligned}$$

when  $n = 10$ . Therefore, we conclude that 10 iterations are ample to reduce the error below 0.001. Actually, with experience, we can refine this *a priori* estimate. In Example 1.64, we calculated the first five terms of the sequence to be

$$(2, 1.5, 1.416666666666667, 1.41421568627451, 1.41421356237469)$$

We observe that

$$\rho(x^3, x^4) = 1.41421568627451 - 1.41421356237469 = 0.0000212389982$$

so that using the second inequality of Corollary 2.5.1

$$\rho(x^4, \sqrt{2}) \leq \frac{1/2}{1/2} 0.0000212389982 < 0.001$$

$x^4 = 1.41421356237469$  is the desired approximation.

**2.121** Choose any  $x^0 \in S$ . Define the sequence  $x^n = f(x^n) = f^n(x^0)$ . Then  $(x^n)$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $S$  converging to  $x$ . Since  $S$  is closed,  $x \in S$ .

**2.122** By the Banach fixed point theorem,  $f^N$  has a unique fixed point  $x$ . Let  $\beta$  be the Lipschitz constant of  $f^N$ . We have to show

**$x$  is a fixed point of  $f$**

$$\rho(f(x), x) = \rho(f(f^N(x)), f^N(x)) = \rho(f^N(f(x)), f^N(x)) \leq \beta \rho(f(x), x)$$

Since  $\beta < 1$ , this implies that  $\rho(f(x), x) = 0$  or  $f(x) = x$ .

**$x$  is the only fixed point of  $f$**  Suppose  $z = f(z)$  is another fixed point of  $f$ . Then  $z$  is a fixed point of  $f^N$  and

$$\rho(x, z) = \rho(f^N(x), f^N(z)) \leq \beta \rho(x, z)$$

which implies that  $x = z$ .

**2.123** By the Banach fixed point theorem, for every  $\theta \in \Theta$ , there exists  $x_\theta \in X$  such that  $f_\theta(x_\theta) = x_\theta$ . Choose any  $\theta_0 \in \Theta$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\rho(x_\theta, x_{\theta_0}) &= \rho(f_\theta(x_\theta), f_{\theta_0}(x_{\theta_0})) \\ &\leq \rho(f_\theta(x_\theta), f_\theta(x_{\theta_0})) + \rho(f_\theta(x_{\theta_0}), f_{\theta_0}(x_{\theta_0})) \\ &\leq \beta\rho(x_\theta, x_{\theta_0}) + \rho(f_\theta(x_{\theta_0}), f_{\theta_0}(x_{\theta_0})) \\ (1 - \beta)\rho(x_\theta, x_{\theta_0}) &\leq \rho(f_\theta(x_{\theta_0}), f_{\theta_0}(x_{\theta_0})) \\ \rho(x_\theta, x_{\theta_0}) &\leq \frac{\rho(f_\theta(x_{\theta_0}), f_{\theta_0}(x_{\theta_0}))}{(1 - \beta)} \rightarrow 0\end{aligned}$$

as  $\theta \rightarrow \theta_0$ . Therefore  $x_\theta \rightarrow x_{\theta_0}$ .

**2.124** 1. Let  $\mathbf{x}$  be a fixed point of  $f$ . Then  $\mathbf{x}$  satisfies

$$\mathbf{x} = (I - A)\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c} = \mathbf{x} - A\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{c}$$

which implies that  $A\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{c}$ .

2. For any  $\mathbf{x}^1, \mathbf{x}^2 \in X$

$$\begin{aligned}\|f(\mathbf{x}^1) - f(\mathbf{x}^2)\| &= \|(I - A)(\mathbf{x}^1 - \mathbf{x}^2)\| \\ &\leq \|I - A\| \|\mathbf{x}^1 - \mathbf{x}^2\|\end{aligned}$$

Since  $a_{ii} = 1$ , the norm of  $I - A$  is

$$\|I - A\| = \max_i \sum_{j \neq i} |a_{ij}| = k$$

and

$$\|f(\mathbf{x}^1) - f(\mathbf{x}^2)\| \leq k \|\mathbf{x}^1 - \mathbf{x}^2\|$$

By the assumption of strict diagonal dominance,  $k < 1$ . Therefore  $f$  is a contraction and has a unique fixed point  $\mathbf{x}$ .

**2.125** 1.

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(x) &= \{y^* \in G(x) : f(x, y^*) + \beta v(y^*) = v(x)\} \\ &= \{y^* \in G(x) : f(x, y^*) + \beta v(y^*) = \sup_{y \in G(x)} \{f(x, y) + \beta v(y)\}\} \\ &= \{y^* \in G(x) : f(x, y^*) + \beta v(y^*) \geq f(x, y) + \beta v(y) \text{ for every } y \in G(x)\} \\ &= \arg \max_{y \in G(x)} \{f(x, y) + \beta v(y)\}\end{aligned}$$

2.  $\varphi(x)$  is the solution correspondence of a standard constrained maximization problem, with  $x$  as parameter and  $y$  the decision variable. By assumption the maximand  $f(x, y) = f(x, y) + \beta v(y)$  is continuous and the constraint correspondence  $G(x)$  is continuous and compact-valued. Applying the continuous maximum theorem (Theorem 2.3),  $\varphi$  is nonempty, compact-valued and uhc.

3. We have just shown that  $\varphi(x)$  is nonempty for every  $x \in X$ . Starting at  $x_0$ , choose some  $x_1^* \in \varphi(x_0)$ . Then choose  $x_2^* \in \varphi(x_1^*)$ . Proceeding in this way, we can construct a plan  $\mathbf{x}^* = x_0, x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots$  such that  $x_{t+1}^* \in \varphi(x_t^*)$  for every  $t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$



4. Since  $x_{t+1}^* \in \varphi(x_t^*)$  for every  $t$ ,  $\mathbf{x}$  satisfies Bellman's equation, that is

$$v(x_t^*) = f(x_t^*, x_{t+1}^*) + \beta v(x_{t+1}^*), \quad t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Therefore  $\mathbf{x}$  is optimal (Exercise 2.17).

**2.126** 1. In the previous exercise (Exercise 2.125) we showed that the set  $\varphi$  of solutions to Bellman's equation (Exercise 2.17) is the solution correspondence of the constrained maximization problem

$$\varphi(x) = \arg \max_{y \in G(x)} \{ f(x, y) + \beta v(y) \}$$

This problem satisfies the requirements of the monotone maximum theorem (Theorem 2.1), since the objective function  $f(x, y) + \beta v(y)$

- supermodular in  $y$
- displays strictly increasing differences in  $(x, y)$  since for every  $x^2 \geq x^1$

$$f(x^2, y) + \beta v(y) - f(x^1, y) + \beta v(y) = f(x^2, y) - f(x^1, y)$$

- $G(x)$  is increasing.

By Corollary 2.1.2,  $\varphi(x)$  is always increasing.

2. Let  $\mathbf{x}^* = (x_0, x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots)$  be an optimal plan. Then (Exercise 2.17)

$$x_{t+1}^* \in \varphi(x_t^*), \quad t = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Since  $\varphi$  is always increasing

$$x_t^* \geq x_{t-1}^* \implies x_{t+1}^* \geq x_t^*$$

for every  $t = 1, 2, \dots$ . Similarly

$$x_t^* \leq x_{t-1}^* \implies x_{t+1}^* \leq x_t^*$$

$\mathbf{x}^* = (x_0, x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots)$  is a monotone sequence.

**2.127** Let  $g(x) = f(x) - x$ .  $g$  is continuous (Exercise 2.78) with

$$g(0) \geq 0 \text{ and } g(1) \leq 0$$

By the intermediate value theorem (Exercise 2.83), there exists some point  $x \in [0, 1]$  with  $g(x) = 0$  which implies that  $f(x) = x$ .

**2.128** 1. To show that a label  $\min\{i : \beta_i \leq \alpha_i \neq 0\}$  exists for every  $\mathbf{x} \in S$ , assume to the contrary that, for some  $\mathbf{x} \in S$ ,  $\beta_i > \alpha_i$  for every  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . This implies

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \beta_i > \sum_{i=0}^n \alpha_i = 1$$

contradicting the requirement that

$$\sum_{i=0}^n \beta_i = 1 \text{ for every } f(\mathbf{x}) \in S$$

2. The barycentric coordinates of vertex  $\mathbf{x}_i$  are  $\alpha_i = 1$  with  $\alpha_j = 0$  for every  $j \neq i$ . Therefore the rule assigns vertex  $\mathbf{x}_i$  the label  $i$ .
3. Similarly, if  $\mathbf{x}$  belongs to a proper face of  $S$ , its coordinates relative to the vertices not in that face are 0, and it cannot be assigned a label corresponding to a vertex not in the face. To be concrete, suppose that  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{conv}\{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \mathbf{x}_4\}$ . Then

$$\mathbf{x} = \alpha_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \alpha_2 \mathbf{x}_2 + \alpha_4 \mathbf{x}_4, \quad \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_4 = 1$$

and  $\alpha_i = 0$  for  $i \notin \{1, 2, 4\}$ . Therefore

$$\mathbf{x} \mapsto \min\{i : \beta_i \leq \alpha_i \neq 0\} \in \{1, 2, 4\}$$

- 2.129**
1. Since  $S$  is compact, it is bounded (Proposition 1.1) and therefore it is contained in a sufficiently large simplex  $T$ .
  2. By Exercise 3.74, there exists a continuous retraction  $r: T \rightarrow S$ . The composition  $f \circ r: T \rightarrow S \subseteq T$ . Furthermore as the composition of continuous functions,  $f \circ r$  is continuous (Exercise 2.72). Therefore  $f \circ r$  has a fixed point  $\mathbf{x}^* \in T$ , that is  $f \circ r(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$ .
  3. Since  $f \circ r(\mathbf{x}) \in S$  for every  $\mathbf{x} \in T$ , we must have  $f \circ r(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^* \in S$ . Therefore,  $r(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$  which implies that  $f(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$ . That is,  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a fixed point of  $f$ .

**2.130** Convexity of  $S$  is required to ensure that there is a continuous retraction of the simplex onto  $S$ .

- 2.131**
1.  $f(x) = x^2$  on  $S = (0, 1)$  or  $f(x) = x + 1$  on  $S = \mathfrak{R}_+$ .
  2.  $f(x) = 1 - x$  on  $S = [0, 1/3] \cup [2/3, 1]$ .
  3. Let  $S = [0, 1]$  and define

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & 0 \leq x < 1/2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**2.132** Suppose such a function exists. Define  $f(\mathbf{x}) = -r(\mathbf{x})$ . Then  $f: B \rightarrow B$  continuously, and has no fixed point since for

- $\mathbf{x} \in S$ ,  $f(\mathbf{x}) = -r(\mathbf{x}) = -\mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{x}$
- $\mathbf{x} \in B \setminus S$ ,  $f(\mathbf{x}) \notin B \setminus S$  and therefore  $f(\mathbf{x}) \neq \mathbf{x}$

Therefore  $f$  has no fixed point contradicting Brouwer's theorem.

**2.133** Suppose to the contrary that  $f$  has no fixed point. For every  $\mathbf{x} \in B$ , let  $r(\mathbf{x})$  denote the point where the line segment from  $f(\mathbf{x})$  through  $\mathbf{x}$  intersects the boundary  $S$  of  $B$ . Since  $f$  is continuous and  $f(\mathbf{x}) \neq \mathbf{x}$ ,  $r$  is a continuous function from  $B$  to its boundary, that is a retraction, contradicting Exercise 2.132. We conclude that  $f$  must have a fixed point.

**2.134 No-retraction  $\implies$  Brouwer** Note first that the no-retraction theorem (Exercise 2.132) generalizes immediately to a closed ball about  $\mathbf{0}$  of arbitrary radius. Assume that  $f$  is a continuous operator on a compact, convex set  $S$  in a finite dimensional normed linear space. There exists a closed ball  $B$  containing  $S$  (Proposition 1.1). Define  $g: B \rightarrow S$  by

$$g(\mathbf{y}) = \{\mathbf{x} \in S : \mathbf{x} \text{ is closest to } \mathbf{y}\}$$

As in Exercise 2.129,  $g$  is well-defined, continuous and  $g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$  for every  $\mathbf{x} \in S$ .  $f \circ g: B \rightarrow S \subseteq B$  and has a fixed point  $\mathbf{x}^* = f(g(\mathbf{x}^*))$  by Exercise 2.133. Since

$f \circ g(\mathbf{x}) \in S$  for every  $\mathbf{x} \in B$ , we must have  $f \circ g(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^* \in S$ . Therefore,  $g(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$  which implies that  $f(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$ . That is,  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a fixed point of  $f$ .

**Brouwer**  $\implies$  **no-retraction** Exercise 2.132.

**2.135** Let  $\Lambda_k$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$  be a sequence of simplicial partitions of  $S$  in which the maximum diameter of the subsimplices tend to zero as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . By Sperner's lemma (Proposition 1.3), every partition  $\Lambda_k$  has a completely labeled subsimplex with vertices  $\mathbf{x}_0^k, \mathbf{x}_1^k, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n^k$ . By construction of an admissible labeling, each  $\mathbf{x}_i^k$  belongs to a face containing  $\mathbf{x}_i$ , that is

$$\mathbf{x}_i^k \in \text{conv} \{ \mathbf{x}_i, \dots \}$$

and therefore

$$\mathbf{x}_i^k \in A_i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

Since  $S$  is compact, each sequence  $\mathbf{x}_i^k$  has a convergent subsequence  $\mathbf{x}_i^{k'}$ . Moreover, since the diameters of the subsimplices converge to zero, these subsequences must converge to the same point, say  $\mathbf{x}^*$ . That is,

$$\lim_{k' \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{x}_i^{k'} = \mathbf{x}^*, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

Since the sets  $A_i$  are closed,  $\mathbf{x}^* \in A_i$  for every  $i$  and therefore

$$\mathbf{x}^* \in \bigcap_{i=0}^n A_i \neq \emptyset$$

**2.136**  $\boxed{\implies}$  Let  $f: S \rightarrow S$  be a continuous operator on an  $n$ -dimensional simplex  $S$  with vertices  $\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ . For  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , let

$$A_i = \{ \mathbf{x} \in S : \beta_i \leq \alpha_i \}$$

where  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  and  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_n$  are the barycentric coordinates of  $\mathbf{x}$  and  $f(\mathbf{x})$  respectively. Then

- $f$  continuous  $\implies A_i$  closed for every  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$  (Exercise 1.106)
- Let  $\mathbf{x} \in \text{conv} \{ \mathbf{x}_i : i \in I \}$  for some  $I \subseteq \{ 0, 1, \dots, n \}$ . Then

$$\sum_{i \in I} \alpha_i = 1 = \sum_{i=0}^n \beta_i$$

which implies that  $\beta_i \leq \alpha_i$  for some  $i \in I$ , so that  $\mathbf{x} \in A_i$ . Therefore

$$\text{conv} \{ \mathbf{x}_i : i \in I \} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$$

Therefore the collection  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n$  satisfies the hypotheses of the K-K-M theorem and their intersection is nonempty. That is, there exists

$$\mathbf{x}^* \in \bigcap_{i=0}^n A_i \neq \emptyset \text{ with } \beta_i^* \leq \alpha_i^*, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

where  $\alpha_i^*$  and  $\beta_i^*$  are the barycentric coordinates of  $\mathbf{x}^*$  and  $f(\mathbf{x}^*)$  respectively. Since  $\sum \beta_i^* = \sum \alpha_i^* = 1$ , this implies that

$$\beta_i^* = \alpha_i^* \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

In other words,  $f(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$ .

◀ Let  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n$  be closed subsets of an  $n$  dimensional simplex  $S$  with vertices  $\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$  such that

$$\text{conv} \{ \mathbf{x}_i : i \in I \} \subseteq \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i$$

for every  $I \subseteq \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ . For  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , let

$$g_i(\mathbf{x}) = \rho(\mathbf{x}, A_i)$$

For any  $\mathbf{x} \in S$  with barycentric coordinates  $\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$ , define

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \beta_0 \mathbf{x}_0 + \beta_1 \mathbf{x}_1 + \dots + \beta_n \mathbf{x}_n$$

where

$$\beta_i = \frac{\alpha_i + g_i(\mathbf{x})}{1 + \sum_{j=0}^n g_j(\mathbf{x})} \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n \quad (2.18)$$

By construction  $\beta_i \geq 0$  and  $\sum_{i=0}^n \beta_i = 1$ . Therefore  $f(\mathbf{x}) \in S$ . That is,  $f: S \rightarrow S$ . Furthermore  $f$  is continuous. By Brouwer's theorem, there exists a fixed point  $\mathbf{x}^*$  with  $f(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$ . That is  $\beta_i^* = \alpha_i^*$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ .

Now, since the collection  $A_0, A_1, \dots, A_n$  covers  $S$ , there exists some  $i$  for which  $\rho(\mathbf{x}^*, A_i) = 0$ . Substituting  $\beta_i^* = \alpha_i^*$  in (2.18) we have

$$\alpha_i^* = \frac{\alpha_i^*}{1 + \sum_{j=0}^n g_j(\mathbf{x}^*)}$$

which implies that  $g_j(\mathbf{x}^*) = 0$  for every  $j$ . Since the  $A_i$  are closed,  $\mathbf{x}^* \in A_i$  for every  $i$  and therefore

$$\mathbf{x}^* \in \bigcap_{i=0}^n A_i \neq \emptyset$$

**2.137** To simplify the notation, let  $z_k^+(\mathbf{p}) = \max(0, z_k(\mathbf{p}))$ . Assume  $\mathbf{p}^*$  is a fixed point of  $g$ . Then for every  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$

$$p_k^* = \frac{p_k + z_k^+(\mathbf{p}^*)}{1 + \sum_{j=1}^n z_j^+(\mathbf{p}^*)}$$

Cross-multiplying

$$p_k^* + p_k^* \sum_{j=1}^n z_j^+(\mathbf{p}^*) = p_k^* + z_k^+(\mathbf{p}^*)$$

or

$$p_k^* \sum_{j=1}^n z_j^+(\mathbf{p}^*) = z_k^+(\mathbf{p}^*) \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Multiplying each equation by  $z_k(\mathbf{p})$  we get

$$p_k^* z_k(\mathbf{p}^*) \sum_{j=1}^n z_j^+(\mathbf{p}^*) = z_k(\mathbf{p}^*) z_k^+(\mathbf{p}^*) \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Summing over  $k$

$$\sum_{k=1}^n p_k^* z_k(\mathbf{p}^*) \sum_{j=1}^n z_j^+(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{k=1}^n z_k(\mathbf{p}^*) z_k^+(\mathbf{p}^*)$$

Since  $\sum_{k=1}^n p_k^* z_k(\mathbf{p}^*) = 0$  this implies that

$$\sum_{k=1}^n z_k(\mathbf{p}^*) z_k^+(\mathbf{p}^*) = 0$$

Each term of this sum is nonnegative, since it is either 0 or  $(z_k(\mathbf{p}^*))^2$ . Consequently, every term must be zero which implies that  $z_k(\mathbf{p}^*) \leq 0$  for every  $k = 1, 2, \dots, l$ . In other words,  $\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{p}^*) \leq \mathbf{0}$ .

**2.138** Every individual demand function  $\mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}, m)$  is continuous (Example 2.90) in  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $m$ . For given endowment  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_i$

$$m_i = \sum_{j=1}^l p_j \boldsymbol{\omega}_{ij}$$

is continuous in  $\mathbf{p}$  (Exercise 2.78). Therefore the excess demand function

$$\mathbf{z}_i(\mathbf{p}) = \mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}, m) - \boldsymbol{\omega}_i$$

is continuous for every consumer  $i$  and hence the aggregate excess demand function is continuous.

Similarly, the consumer's demand function  $\mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}, m)$  is homogeneous of degree 0 in  $\mathbf{p}$  and  $m$ . For given endowment  $\boldsymbol{\omega}_i$ , the consumer's wealth is homogeneous of degree 1 in  $\mathbf{p}$  and therefore the consumer's excess demand function  $\mathbf{z}_i(\mathbf{p})$  is homogeneous of degree 0. So therefore is the aggregate excess demand function  $\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{p})$ .

**2.139**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{z}(\mathbf{p}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{z}_i(\mathbf{p}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}, m) - \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore

$$\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{z}(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}, m) - \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{p}^T \boldsymbol{\omega}_i$$

Since preferences are nonsatiated and strictly convex, they are locally nonsatiated (Exercise 1.248) which implies (Exercise 1.235) that every consumer must satisfy his budget constraint

$$\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}, m) = \mathbf{p}^T \boldsymbol{\omega}_i \text{ for every } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

Therefore in aggregate

$$\mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{z}(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{p}^T \mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}, m) - \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{p}^T \boldsymbol{\omega}_i = \mathbf{0}$$

for every  $\mathbf{p}$ .

**2.140** Assume there exists  $\mathbf{p}^*$  such that  $\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{p}^*) \leq \mathbf{0}$ . That is

$$\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{p}^*) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{z}_i(\mathbf{p}^*) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}^*, m_i) - \boldsymbol{\omega}_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i(\mathbf{p}^*, m_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \boldsymbol{\omega}_i \leq \mathbf{0}$$

or

$$\sum_{i \in N} \mathbf{x}_i \leq \sum_{i \in N} \boldsymbol{\omega}_i$$

Aggregate demand is less or equal to available supply.

Let  $m_i^* = \sum_{j=1}^l p_j^* \omega_{ij}$  denote the wealth of consumer  $i$  when the price system is  $\mathbf{p}^*$  and let  $\mathbf{x}_i^* = \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}^*, m_i^*)$  be his chosen consumption bundle. Then

$$\mathbf{x}_i^* \succsim \mathbf{x}_i \text{ for every } \mathbf{x}_i \in X(\mathbf{p}^*, m_i)$$

Let  $\underline{\mathbf{x}}^* = (\mathbf{x}_1^*, \mathbf{x}_2^*, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n^*)$  be the allocation comprising these optimal bundles. The pair  $(\mathbf{p}^*, \underline{\mathbf{x}}^*)$  is a competitive equilibrium.

**2.141** For each  $\mathbf{x}^k$ , let  $S^k$  denote the subsimplex of  $\Lambda^k$  which contains  $\mathbf{x}^k$  and let  $\mathbf{x}_0^k, \mathbf{x}_1^k, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n^k$  denote the vertices of  $S^k$ . Let  $\alpha_0^k, \alpha_1^k, \dots, \alpha_n^k$  denote the barycentric coordinates (Exercise 1.159) of  $\mathbf{x}$  with respect to the vertices of  $S^k$  and let  $\mathbf{y}_i^k = f^k(\mathbf{x}_i^k)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ , denote the images of the vertices. Since  $S$  is compact, there exists subsequences  $\mathbf{x}_i^{k'}$ ,  $\mathbf{y}_i^{k'}$  and  $\alpha_i^{k'}$  such that

$$\mathbf{x}_i^{k'} \rightarrow \mathbf{x}_i^* \quad \mathbf{y}_i^{k'} \rightarrow \mathbf{y}_i^* \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha_i^{k'} \rightarrow \alpha_i^* \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

Furthermore,  $\alpha_i^* \geq 0$  and  $\alpha_0^* + \alpha_1^* + \dots + \alpha_n^* = 1$ . Since the diameters of the subsimplices converge to zero, their vertices must converge to the same point. That is, we must have

$$\mathbf{x}_0^* = \mathbf{x}_1^* = \dots = \mathbf{x}_n^* = \mathbf{x}^*$$

By definition of  $f^k$

$$f^k(\mathbf{x}^k) = \alpha_0^k f(\mathbf{x}_0^k) + \alpha_1^k f(\mathbf{x}_1^k) + \dots + \alpha_n^k f(\mathbf{x}_n^k)$$

Substituting  $\mathbf{y}_i^k = f^k(\mathbf{x}_i^k)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$  and recognizing that  $\mathbf{x}^k$  is a fixed point of  $f^k$ , we have

$$\mathbf{x}^k = f^k(\mathbf{x}^k) = \alpha_0^k \mathbf{y}_0^k + \alpha_1^k \mathbf{y}_1^k + \dots + \alpha_n^k \mathbf{y}_n^k$$

Taking limits

$$\mathbf{x}^* = \alpha_0^* \mathbf{y}_0^* + \alpha_1^* \mathbf{y}_1^* + \dots + \alpha_n^* \mathbf{y}_n^* \tag{2.19}$$

For each coordinate  $i$ ,  $(\mathbf{x}_i^k, \mathbf{y}_i^k) \in \text{graph}(\varphi)$  for every  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ . Since  $\varphi$  is closed,  $(\mathbf{x}_i^*, \mathbf{y}_i^*) \in \text{graph}(\varphi)$ . That is,  $\mathbf{y}_i^* \in \varphi(\mathbf{x}_i^*) = \varphi(\mathbf{x}^*)$  for every  $i = 0, 1, \dots, n$ . Therefore, (2.19) implies

$$\mathbf{x}^* \in \text{conv } \varphi(\mathbf{x}^*)$$

Since  $\varphi$  is convex valued,

$$\mathbf{x}^* \in \varphi(\mathbf{x}^*)$$

**2.142** Analogous to Exercise 2.129, there exists a simplex  $T$  containing  $S$  and a retraction of  $T$  onto  $S$ , that is a continuous function  $g: T \rightarrow S$  with  $g(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{x}$  for every  $\mathbf{x} \in S$ . Then  $\varphi \circ g: T \rightrightarrows S \subset T$  is closed-valued (Exercise 2.106) and uhc (Exercise 2.103). By the argument in the proof, there exists a point  $\mathbf{x}^* \in T$  such that  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \varphi \circ g(\mathbf{x}^*)$ . However, since  $\varphi \circ g(\mathbf{x}^*) \subseteq S$ , we must have  $\mathbf{x}^* \in S$  and therefore  $g(\mathbf{x}^*) = \mathbf{x}^*$ . This implies  $\mathbf{x}^* \in \varphi(\mathbf{x}^*)$ . That is,  $\mathbf{x}^*$  is a fixed point of  $\varphi$ .

**2.143**  $B = B_1 \times B_2 \times \dots \times B_n$  is the Cartesian product of uhc, compact- and convex-valued correspondences. Therefore  $B$  is also compact-valued and uhc (Exercise 2.112 and also convex-valued (Exercise 1.165)). By Exercise 2.106,  $B$  is closed.

**2.144** Strict quasiconcavity ensures that the best response correspondence is in fact a function  $B: S \rightarrow S$ . Since the hypotheses of Example 2.96 apply, there exists at least one equilibrium. Suppose that there are two Nash equilibria  $\mathbf{s}$  and  $\mathbf{s}'$ . Since  $B$  is a contraction,

$$\rho(B(\mathbf{s}), B(\mathbf{s}')) \leq \beta \rho(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{s}')$$

for some  $\beta < 1$ . However

$$B(\mathbf{s}) = \mathbf{s} \text{ and } B(\mathbf{s}') = \mathbf{s}'$$

and (2.19) implies that

$$\rho(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{s}') \leq \beta \rho(\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{s}')$$

which is possible if and only if  $\mathbf{s} = \mathbf{s}'$ . This implies that the equilibrium must be unique.

**2.145** Since  $K$  is compact, it is totally bounded (Exercise 1.112). There exists a finite set of points  $\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$  such that

$$K \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^n B_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

Let  $S = \text{conv} \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n\}$ . For  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $\mathbf{x} \in X$ , define

$$\alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) = \max\{0, \epsilon - \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i\|\}$$

Then for every  $\mathbf{x} \in K$ ,

$$0 \leq \alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) \leq \epsilon, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

and

$$\alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) > 0 \iff \mathbf{x} \in B_\epsilon(\mathbf{x}_i)$$

Note that  $\alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) > 0$  for some  $i$ . Define

$$h(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{x}_i}{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x})}$$

Then  $h(\mathbf{x}) \in S$  and therefore  $h: K \rightarrow S$ . Furthermore,  $h$  is continuous and

$$\begin{aligned} \|h(\mathbf{x}) - \mathbf{x}\| &= \left\| \frac{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{x}_i}{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x})} - \mathbf{x} \right\| \\ &= \left\| \frac{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) (\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x})}{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x})} \right\| \\ &= \frac{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}\|}{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x})} \\ &\leq \frac{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) \epsilon}{\sum \alpha_i(\mathbf{x})} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

since  $\alpha_i(\mathbf{x}) > 0 \iff \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}\| \leq \epsilon$ .

- 2.146** 1. For every  $\mathbf{x} \in S^k$ ,  $f(\mathbf{x}) \in S$  and therefore  $g^k(\mathbf{x}) = h^k(f(\mathbf{x})) \in S^k$ .  
2. For any  $\mathbf{x} \in S^k$ , let  $\mathbf{y} = f(\mathbf{x}) \in f(S)$  and therefore

$$\|h^k(\mathbf{y}) - \mathbf{y}\| < \frac{1}{k}$$

which implies

$$\|g^k(\mathbf{x}) - f(\mathbf{x})\| \leq \frac{1}{k} \text{ for every } \mathbf{x} \in S^k$$

**2.147** By the Triangle inequality

$$\|\mathbf{x}^k - f(\mathbf{x})\| \leq \|g^k(\mathbf{x}^k) - f(\mathbf{x}^k)\| + \|f(\mathbf{x}^k) - f(\mathbf{x})\|$$

As shown in the previous exercise

$$\|g^k(\mathbf{x}^k) - f(\mathbf{x}^k)\| \leq \frac{1}{k} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Also since  $f$  is continuous

$$\|f(\mathbf{x}^k) - f(\mathbf{x})\| \rightarrow 0$$

Therefore

$$\|\mathbf{x}^k - f(\mathbf{x})\| \rightarrow 0 \implies \mathbf{x} = f(\mathbf{x})$$

$\mathbf{x}$  is a fixed point of  $f$ .

**2.148**  $T(F)$  is bounded and equicontinuous and so therefore is  $\overline{T(F)}$  (Exercise 2.96). By Ascoli's theorem (Exercise 2.95),  $\overline{T(F)}$  is compact. Therefore  $T$  is a compact operator. Applying Corollary 2.8.1,  $T$  has a fixed point.