

## Lecture II

- Examples of Lipschitz Continuity
- Fixed Point Theory
- BFPT

Examples:

A.  $(X, d)$  a u.s., with  $(\mathbb{R}, d_u)$ . Let  $z \in X$ . Define

$$f_z: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \text{ as } (f_z(x) := d(z, x))$$

$$\text{Let } x, y \in X, \quad d_u(f_z(x), f_z(y)) = |f_z(x) - f_z(y)| =$$

$$= |d(z, x) - d(z, y)| \leq d(x, y)$$

dual version  
of triangle inequality

We have  
seen this

Hence we have shown that

$$\forall x, y \in X \quad d_u(f_z(x), f_z(y)) \leq d(x, y)$$

hence  $f_z$  is  $d_u/d$ -Lipschitz continuous with Lipschitz coefficient equal to 1, and this holds  $\forall z \in X$ .

— Generally Metrics are Lipschitz continuous!

$$B. X = \mathbb{R}^q, d_x = d_I, Y = \mathbb{R}^p, d_y = d_I$$

in  $\mathbb{R}^q$                       in  $\mathbb{R}^p$

Reminder

Consider the following:  $\alpha$ . Euclidean Norm in  $\mathbb{R}^q$

$$\underset{=}{x} \in \mathbb{R}^q, \quad \|x\| := \left( \sum_{i=1}^q x_i^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_q)$

$$\text{For } x, y \in \mathbb{R}^q: \quad d_I(x, y) = \|x - y\| \checkmark$$

b. The Euclidean norm in  $\mathbb{R}^p$  is analogous.

c. Let  $A$  be a  $p \times q$  real matrix, i.e.

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1q} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{p1} & a_{p2} & \dots & a_{pq} \end{pmatrix} \text{ then the}$$

Frobenius norm of  $A$  is  $\|A\|_F = \left( \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^q a_{ij}^2 \right)^{1/2}$ .

d.  $x \in \mathbb{R}^q \Rightarrow Ax \in \mathbb{R}^p$

It is possible to prove that  $\|\cdot\|$  and  $\|\cdot\|_F$  satisfy the following sub-multiplicative property:

$$\|Ax\| \leq \|A\|_F \|x\|$$

Euclidean norm in  $\mathbb{R}^p$

Euclidean norm in  $\mathbb{R}^q$

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e. Let  $f: \mathbb{R}^q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  that is everywhere differentiable in  $\mathbb{R}^q$ , which implies that

for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^q$ , the Jacobian  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}$  (i.e. the matrix

defined as  $f(x) \in \mathbb{R}^p \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^q$   $f(x) = \begin{pmatrix} f_1(x) \\ f_2(x) \\ \vdots \\ f_p(x) \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_q \end{pmatrix}$

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_1}(x), \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_2}(x), \dots, \frac{\partial f_1}{\partial x_q}(x) \\ \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_1}(x), \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_2}(x), \dots, \frac{\partial f_2}{\partial x_q}(x) \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f_p}{\partial x_1}(x), \frac{\partial f_p}{\partial x_2}(x), \dots, \frac{\partial f_p}{\partial x_q}(x) \end{pmatrix}_{p \times q}$$

is well defined  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^q$ . This is equivalent to that  $0 \leq \left\| \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x'} \right\|_F < +\infty \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^q$  (i.e.  $x \mapsto \left\| \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x'} \right\|_F$  is a well defined function  $\mathbb{R}^q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ). If this  $x \mapsto \left\| \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x'} \right\|_F$  mapping is bounded then  $f$  is termed everywhere differentiable with bounded derivative. (Remember that this is equivalent to that  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^q} \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(x) \right\|_F < +\infty$ ).

Theorem. If  $f: \mathbb{R}^q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  that is everywhere differentiable with bounded derivative, then  $f$  is  $(d_I / d_I -)$

$\swarrow$  Euclidean metric in  $\mathbb{R}^p$       $\searrow$  Euclidean metric in  $\mathbb{R}^q$

Lipschitz continuous, with  $C_f = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^q} \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(x) \right\|_F$ .

Proof. Let arbitrary  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^q$ . We have that

$$d_I(f(x), f(y)) = \|f(x) - f(y)\|$$

$\swarrow$   
Euclidean metric in  $\mathbb{R}^p$

Since  $f$  is everywhere differentiable we have due the mean value theorem that

(\*)  $f(x) = f(y) + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(y^*) (x-y)$  with  $y^*$  some element of  $\mathbb{R}^q$  that lies in the line that connects  $x$  and  $y$  (this line is well-defined since  $\mathbb{R}^q$  is convex, and  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(y^*)$  is well-defined since  $f$  is everywhere differentiable)

(\*)  $\Leftrightarrow f(x) - f(y) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(y^*) (x-y) \Rightarrow$

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| = \underbrace{\left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(y^*) (x-y) \right\|}_{\substack{\text{submult.} \\ \times}} \leq \underbrace{\left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(y^*) \right\|_F}_F \|x-y\|$$

Euclidean Norm in  $\mathbb{R}^q$

$$\leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^q} \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(x) \right\|_F \|x-y\|$$

Since  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^q} \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(x) \right\| < +\infty$  we obtain that for  $f$  we well defined  $C_f := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^q} \left\| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x'}(x) \right\|$  (this is independent of  $x, y$ )

we obtain

$$\|f(x) - f(y)\| \leq C_f \|x-y\| \Leftrightarrow$$

$$d_I(f(x), f(y)) \leq C_f d_I(x, y)$$

$\swarrow$  in  $\mathbb{R}^p$                        $\swarrow$  in  $\mathbb{R}^q$

and since  $x, y$  are arbitrary and  $C_f$  is independent of them

we have proven that:

$$\forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^q, \quad d_{\mathbb{R}}(f(x), f(y)) \leq C_f d_{\mathbb{R}}(x, y)$$

and the result follows.  $\square$

**Remark.** There is a partial converse to the previous theorem.

If  $f: \mathbb{R}^q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$  is  $(d_{\mathbb{R}}/d_{\mathbb{R}})$ -Lipschitz continuous then  $f$  is almost everywhere differentiable with bounded derivative (where defined). The term "almost" means that there can exist  $x \in \mathbb{R}^q$  at which  $f$  is not differentiable that form a negligible subset of  $\mathbb{R}^q$ .

**Remark.** More generally the previous theorem holds whenever

$f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ ,  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^q$ ,  $f$  is everywhere differentiable in  $A$  with bounded derivative, and  $\forall x, y \in A$  there exists a line in  $A$  that connects them (e.g.  $A$  is convex).

Example:  $p=q=1$ ,  $d_{\mathbb{R}} = dx$ ,  $A = (-1, 1)$   $f: (-1, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$f(x) = e^x$  (the exponential function restricted to  $(-1, 1)$ ).  
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convex

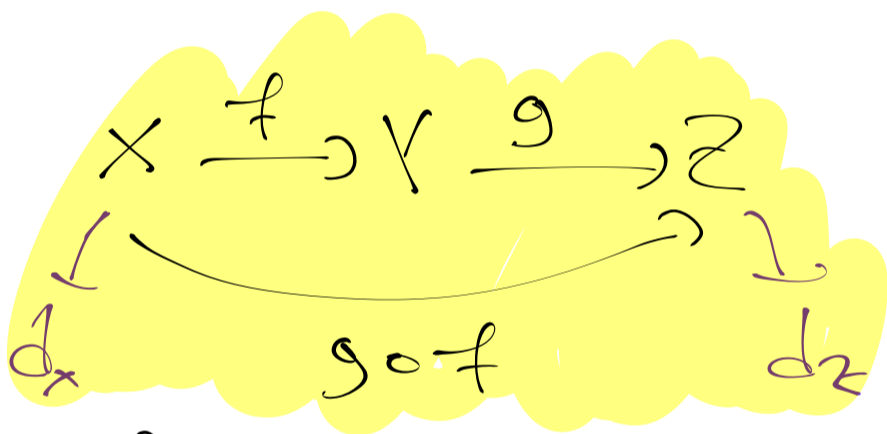
$$\frac{df}{dx} = e^x \quad \forall x \in (-1, 1), \quad \sup_{x \in (-1, 1)} \left\| \frac{df}{dx}(x) \right\|_{\mathbb{R}} = \sup_{x \in (-1, 1)} |e^x| = \sup_{x \in (-1, 1)} e^x$$

$= e^t = e < \infty$ . Hence the exponential function restricted to  $(-1, 1)$  is Lipschitz continuous with  $C_f = e$ .

Exe. Is  $f(x) = e^x : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  Lipschitz continuous?

Compositional Property of Lipschitz Continuity.

$(X, d_x), (Y, d_y), (Z, d_z)$ .  $X \xrightarrow{f} Y$  ( $d_x/d_x$ ) Lipschitz continuous,  $Y \xrightarrow{g} Z$  ( $d_z/d_y$ ) Lipschitz continuous.



Is  $g \circ f$  ( $d_z/d_x$ ) Lipschitz-continuous?

$\exists C_g > 0$  Lipsh. Coef. of  $g$

Let  $x, y \in X$ , then  $d_z(g(\frac{f(x)}{\epsilon_Y}), g(\frac{f(y)}{\epsilon_Y})) \leq C_g d_y(f(x), f(y)) \leq C_g C_f d_x(x, y)$

$\exists C_f > 0$  Lipsh. Coef. of  $f$

Since  $x, y$  are arbitrary we have that:

$$\forall x, y \in X \quad d_z(g \circ f(x), g \circ f(y)) \leq C_g C_f d_x(x, y)$$

Hence  $g \circ f$  is  $d_z/d_x$  - Lipschitz continuous and  $C_{g \circ f} = C_g C_f$ .

\* extends to any finite number of compositions (prove!)

# ~~Elements of fixed point theory~~ Elements of fixed point theory

We are ready for the Banach Fixed Point Theorem (BFPT)

\*  $X$  is a non-empty set. A self-map on  $X$  is any function  $X \xrightarrow{f} X$ . (such a function transforms  $X$  to itself)

\*  $f$  is a self-map on  $X$ . Define: ( $n \in \mathbb{N}$ )

$$f^{(n)} := \begin{cases} \text{id}_X, & n=0 \\ \underbrace{f \circ f \circ \dots \circ f}_{n\text{-fold}}, & n > 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{id}_X: X \rightarrow X, \text{id}_X(y) = y \quad \forall y \in X$$

$f^{(n)}$  is a self-map on  $X$ .

\* Remember that composition is associative:  $f^{(n_1)} = f^{(n_1)} \circ f^{(n_2)}$  whenever  $n_1 + n_2 = n$ .

\* Suppose that  $X$  is endowed  $d$ ,  $(X, d)$  is a m.s. s.e.c.  
 $f$  be a self map on  $X$ .  $X$  as both the domain and the range of  $f$  is considered endowed with the SAME metric  $d$ .

\* Given the above: a self map on  $X$  is a ( $d$ -) contraction iff  $f$  is ( $d/d$ -) Lipschitz continuous and  $c_f < 1$ , i.e.

$$\forall x, y \in X \quad d(f(x), f(y)) \leq c_f d(x, y)$$

(i.e.  $f$  is a  $d$ -contraction iff it reduces the ( $d$ -) distance between any pair of points in  $X$ )



\* If  $f$  is a  $d$ -contraction then  $f^{(n)}$  is a  $d$ -contraction  $\forall n > 0$ . Proof:  $\forall n > 0$ ,  $f^{(n)}$  is  $(d/d)$ -Lipschitz continuous with  $C_{f^{(n)}} = C_f^n < 1$ .

(How do you think  $f^{(n)}$  behaves when  $n \rightarrow \infty$  if  $f$  is a  $d$ -contraction?) ✓

\* Let  $f$  be a self-map on  $X$ .  $x^* \in X$  is a fixed point of  $f$  iff  $x^* = f(x^*)$  ( $x^*$  remains invariant by  $f$ )

The issues of i. existence, ii. uniqueness, iii. location or approximation of fixed points is of great importance since it is obviously connected with the solution of generalized systems of equations. Fixed point theory is a corpus of results that deals with suchlike issues. We will henceforth deal with the Banach Fixed Point Theorem (BFPT) that uses the language of metric spaces.

\* First  $\text{id}_X$  has fixed points. Trivially every  $x \in X$  is a fixed point of  $\text{id}_X$ . Let  $f$  be a self-map on  $X$  and  $x^*$  be a fixed point of  $f$ . Then  $x^*$  is also a fixed point of  $f^{(n)}$   $\forall n \geq 0$  (the case of  $n=0$  is trivial):

The claim is true for  $n=1$  ( $f^{(1)} = f$ ). Let  $x^*$  be a fixed point for  $f^{(n)}$  when  $n=k$  (i.e.  $x^* = f^{(k)}(x^*)$ )

for some  $k > 0$ . For  $n = k+1$  we have  $f^{(k+1)}(x^*) = f(f^{(k)}(x^*)) \stackrel{f^{(k)}(x^*) = x^*}{=} f(x^*) = x^*$ .

\* There is a partial converse to the above: if for some  $n > 0$ ,  $x^*$  is the unique fixed point of  $f^{(n)}$  then it is also the unique fixed point of  $f$ . (Remark)

Proof. When  $n=1$  the result is trivial ( $f^{(1)} = f$ ). Suppose that  $n > 1$ , and let  $x^*$  be the unique fixed point of  $f^{(n)}$ .

$$\text{We have that } f^{(n+1)}(x^*) = f(f^{(n)}(x^*)) = f(x^*)$$

$$f^{(n+1)}(x^*) = f^{(n)}(f(x^*))$$

Hence  $f^{(n)}(f(x^*)) = f(x^*)$ . Hence  $f(x^*) \in X$  is also a fixed point of  $f^{(n)}$ . But  $x^*$  is the unique fixed point of  $f^{(n)}$ . Hence  $x^* = f(x^*)$  and thereby  $x^*$  is a fixed point of  $f$ .

Uniqueness of  $x^*$  as a fixed point of  $f$ : Say that  $x^{**} \neq x^*$  is also a fixed point of  $f$ . But due to the previous remark  $x^{**} = f^{(n)}(x^{**})$  which is impossible due to that  $f^{(n)}$  has a unique fixed point.

[The previous remark is important: it could be easier in some cases to have info on the fixed points of  $f^{(n)}$  for large enough  $n$ ].

**Banach Fixed Point Theorem (BFPT)**. Suppose

that  $(X, d)$  is complete, and  $f: X \rightarrow X$ , is a  $d$ -contraction

then  $f$  has a unique fixed point (say  $x^*$ ), and  $\forall x \in X$

$$\text{for } x_n = \begin{cases} x, & n=0 \\ f(x_{n-1}), & n>0 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} x, & n=0 \\ f^{(n)}(x), & n>0 \end{cases} = \underline{f^{(n)}(x)},$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x^* \text{ (w.r.t. } d).$$

**Remark:** BFPT is very powerful: it asks a lot but it also gives uniqueness and approximation of the fixed point.

**Proof.** The proof will be based on the following lemma:

**Lemma (Uniqueness).** If  $f$  is  $d$ -contraction and  $f$  has a fixed point then this is unique.  
(this does not use completeness).

**Proof.** Suppose that  $x^*, x^{**}$  with  $x^* \neq x^{**}$  are fixed points of  $f$ . Then

$$0 < d(x^*, x^{**}) = d(f(x^*), f(x^{**})) \\ \leq c_f d(x^*, x^{**}) \text{ where the last inequality}$$

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follows due to the fact that  $f$  is a  $d$ -contraction.

Summarizing we have

$$0 < d(x^*, x^{**}) \leq c_f d(x^*, x^{**})$$

$$d(x^*, x^{**}) - c_f d(x^*, x^{**}) \leq 0 \Leftrightarrow$$

$(1 - c_f) d(x^*, x^{**}) \leq 0$ . This is impossible since

$1 - c_f > 0$  and  $d(x^*, x^{**}) > 0$ . Hence  $f$  has a unique fixed point.  $\square$

**Lemma (Fixed Points as Limits)** If  $(x_n)$  (see above for the definition) has a limit w.r.t.  $d$ , say  $y$ , then  $y$  is a fixed point of  $f$ . (Completeness is not used here)

**Proof.** We have that  $y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{(n)}(x)$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f(f^{(n-1)}(x)) \stackrel{\text{w.r.t. } d}{=} f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{(n-1)}(x)) = f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_{n-1})$$

$$\hookrightarrow = f(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f^{(n-1)}(x))$$

$$\stackrel{x_{n-1} \rightarrow y}{\Rightarrow} f(y) \Rightarrow y = f(y)$$

$x_{n-1} \rightarrow y$   
(why?)

$f$  is CONTRACTION  
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hence  $y = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n$  is a fixed point of  $f$ .  $\square$

**Lemma (Technical).**  $\forall n \geq 0 \quad d(x_{n+1}, x_n) \leq C_f^n d(x_1, x_0)$ .

**Proof.** By induction:

a. It is true for  $n=0$  since

$$d(x_1, x_0) = d(f(x_0), f(x_0)) = C_f^0 d(x_1, x_0).$$

b. Suppose that it is true for  $n=k$ , i.e.

$$d(x_{k+1}, x_k) \leq C_f^k d(x_1, x_0) \quad (*)$$

c. For  $n=k+1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_{k+2}, x_{k+1}) &= d(f(x_{k+1}), f(x_k)) \leq \\ & C_f d(x_{k+1}, x_k) \leq C_f \cdot C_f^k d(x_1, x_0) \\ &= C_f^{k+1} d(x_1, x_0). \quad \Rightarrow \square \end{aligned}$$

$d(x_{k+2}, x_{k+1}) \leq C_f^{k+1} d(x_1, x_0)$  hence the property is true for  $n=k+1$ .  $\square$

End of Lemma 11

**Lemma (Cauchy).**  $(x_n)$  is  $(d)$ -Cauchy.

**Proof.** We have to examine the limiting behavior of  $d(x_n, x_m)$  as  $\min\{n, m\} \rightarrow \infty$ .

Suppose first that  $m > n$ : due to triangle inequality

$$\begin{aligned} d(x_m, x_n) &\leq d(x_m, x_{m-1}) + d(x_{m-1}, x_n) \\ &\leq d(x_m, x_{m-1}) + d(x_{m-1}, x_{m-2}) + d(x_{m-2}, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\dots \leq d(x_m, x_{m-1}) + d(x_{m-1}, x_{m-2}) + \dots + d(x_{n+1}, x_n)$$

$$\leq C_f^{m-1} d(x_1, x_0) + C_f^{m-2} d(x_1, x_0) + \dots + C_f^n d(x_1, x_0)$$

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$$= C_f^n d(x_1, x_0) (C_f^{m-1-n} + C_f^{m-2-n} + \dots + 1)$$

$$= C_f^n d(x_1, x_0) \sum_{i=0}^{m-1-n} C_f^i \leq C_f^n d(x_1, x_0) \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} C_f^i$$

$$= \frac{C_f^n}{1-C_f} d(x_1, x_0)$$

$$\sum_{i=0}^{\infty} C_f^i = \frac{1}{1-C_f}$$

geometric series

We have shown that if  $m > n$ ,  $d(x_m, x_n) \leq \frac{C_f^n}{1-C_f} d(x_1, x_0)$

It is obvious (by interchanging  $m$  with  $n$ ) that

$$\text{when } n \geq m \quad d(x_m, x_n) \leq \frac{C_f^m}{1-C_f} d(x_1, x_0).$$

Hence we generally obtain that:

$$(**) \quad d(x_m, x_n) \leq \frac{C_f^{\min(m,n)}}{1-C_f} d(x_1, x_0), \quad \forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}$$

We have that due to (\*\*\*) and that  $d(x_m, x_n) \geq 0 \quad \forall m, n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$0 \leq \lim_{\min(m,n) \rightarrow +\infty} d(x_m, x_n) \leq \lim_{\min(m,n) \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{c_f^{\min(m,n)}}{1-c_f} d(x_1, x_0)$$

$$= \frac{d(x_1, x_0)}{1-c_f} \lim_{\min(m,n) \rightarrow +\infty} c_f^{\min(m,n)} = \frac{d(x_1, x_0)}{1-c_f} \cdot 0 = 0.$$

Hence  $(x_n)$  is  $d$ -Cauchy.  $\square$

**Proof of BFPT continued:**  $\forall x \in X$ ,  $x_n = f^{(n)}(x)$ ,  $(x_n)$  is a Cauchy sequence due to Lemma Cauchyness. Since  $(X, d)$  is complete,  $(x_n)$  is  $(d-)$  convergent by being Cauchy. Due to Lemma Fixed points as limits, the  $(d-)$  limit of  $(x_n)$  is a fixed point of  $f$ . Due to Lemma Uniqueness  $f$  has a unique fixed point. Finally due to Lemma fixed points as limits, this unique fixed point is the limit of  $(x_n)$ .  $\square$

**Corollary.**  $(X, d)$  is complete and for some  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $f^{(\alpha)}$  is  $(d-)$  contraction. Then  $f$  has a unique fixed point.

**Proof.** By BFPT  $f^{(\alpha)}$  has a unique fixed point. Then due to **Remark**  $f$  has a unique fixed point.  $\square$

**Example.** Suppose that we want to study the equation (in  $\mathbb{R}$ )

$x = \sin(x)$ .  $x$  is a solution iff  $x$  is a fixed point of the  $\sin$  function. Hence we study the fixed point properties of this function. We know that  $\mathbb{R}, d_e$  is complete. Is  $\sin$  a  $d_e$ -contraction? Due to the results in the previous lecture  $\sin$  is a  $d_e$  contraction iff

$$C_{\sin} := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{d \sin(x)}{dx} \right| < 1$$

But  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\cos(x)| = 1$  hence  $\sin$  is  $d_e/d_e$ -Lipschitz

continuous, but not a  $d_e$ -contraction. Consider  $\sin^{(2)}(x) := \sin(\sin(x))$ . Show that  $C_{\sin^{(2)}} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{d \sin(\sin(x))}{dx} \right| < 1$  hence  $\sin^{(2)}$  is contractive. Hence BFPT is applicable and thereb  $\sin^{(2)}$  has a unique fixed point. Hence  $\sin(x)$  has a unique fixed point, hence  $x = \sin(x)$  has a unique solution.  $\square$