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Quantum Computing

Nash's Thm: Every normal form  
game  $G = (K, \{A_i\}_{i \in [K]}, \{u_i\}_{i \in [K]})$   $K, \cup_i A_i$   
has a mixed NE.  $< \infty$

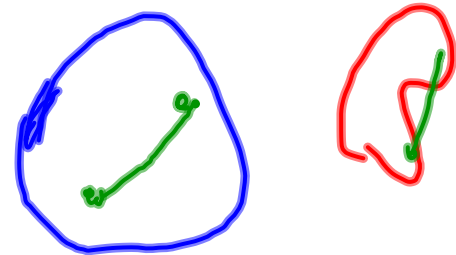
Brouwer's Thm:  $X \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  be

fixed pt.

a compact (closed, bounded) convex set.

Then every  $f: X \rightarrow X$  that is continuous has a fixed pt

i.e.  $\exists y \in X$  s.t.  $f(y) = y$



# Proof framework

$\mathcal{G}$

Step 1  $\rightarrow$

(i) define  $f: X \rightarrow X$

$$X = \prod_{i=1}^K \Delta(A_i)$$

s.t

(1)  $f$  is continuous

(2) Every fixed pt. of  $f$  is a NE of  $\mathcal{G}$

Nash's  
thm

Brouwer's  
thm  $\leftarrow$

$$f(p_1, \dots, p_k) = (q_1, \dots, q_k) \text{ s.t.}$$

$\forall i \in [k]$

$$q_i = \arg \max_{q \in \Delta(A_i)} \{u_i(q, p_{-i}) - \|q - p_i\|_2^2\}$$

→  $f$  is a well-defined function

→  $f$  is cont.

→ Every f.p. of  $f$  is a NE

(Technical Lemma) If  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

that is convex & closed, then

$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $y = g(x) = \arg \min_{y \in A} \|x - y\|$

is (1) unique (2)  $g$  is cont.



① f is cont. & well-defined

$(X = \prod_{i \in \mathbb{K}} \Delta(A_i))$  compact & convex.

$$u_i(q, p_i) = \sum_{a \in A_i} q(a) u_i(a, p_i)$$

$$\frac{-\|q - (v_i(p) + p_i)\|_2^2}{2 + \text{const}}$$

$$= \langle q, v_i(p) \rangle$$

↑ a<sup>th</sup> value is  $u_i(a, p_i)$

$$\begin{aligned} u_i(q, p_i) - \|q - p_i\|_2^2 &= \langle q, v_i(p) \rangle - \langle q - p_i, q - p_i \rangle \\ &= \langle q, v_i(p) \rangle - \|q\|_2^2 + 2 \langle q, p_i \rangle - \|p_i\|_2^2 \\ &= \|q\|_2^2 + \langle q, v_i(p) + 2p_i \rangle - \|p_i\|_2^2 - \|p_i\|_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $q_i = \arg \min_{q \in \Delta(A_i)} \left\| q - \left( \frac{v_i(p)}{2} + p_i \right) \right\|$

convex & compact.

for each dim



By technical lemma:

(i)  $q_i$  is unique  $\Rightarrow f$  is well-defined

(ii)  $q_i$  "function" is cont  $\Rightarrow f$  is cont.

Every fixed pt. of  $f$  is a NE

$$f(P_1, \dots, P_k) = (P_1, \dots, P_k)$$

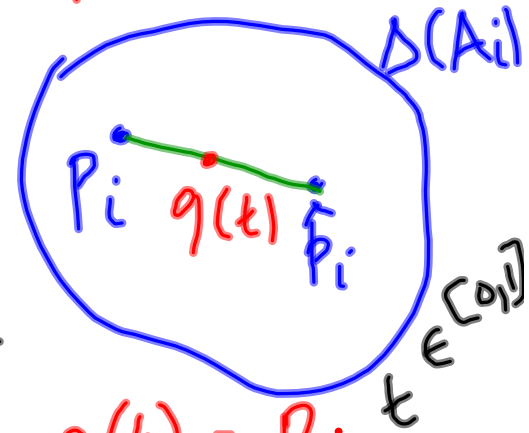
fix  $i \in [k]$  consider any  $\hat{P}_i \neq P_i \in \Delta(A_i)$

$$u_i(q(t), P_{-i}) - \|q(t) - P_i\|^2$$

max at  $q(0) = P_i$  (by

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (u_i(q(t), P_{-i}) - \|q(t) - P_i\|^2) \Big|_{t=0} \stackrel{\text{def. of } f}{\leq} 0$$

$$= u_i(\hat{P}_i, P_{-i}) - u_i(P_i, P_{-i}) \leq 0$$



$$q(t) = P_i + t(\hat{P}_i - P_i)$$



$$\|q(t) - p_i\|^2 = \|t(\hat{p}_i - p_i)\|^2 = t^2 \|\hat{p}_i - p_i\|^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (\|q(t) - p_i\|^2) \Big|_{t=0} = 0. \quad \begin{array}{l} q(t) = p_i \\ + t(\hat{p}_i - p_i) \end{array}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} (u_i(q(t), p_i))$$

$$u_i(q, p_i) = \langle q, v(p) \rangle$$

$$= \left\langle \frac{d}{dt} q(t), v(p) \right\rangle + \left\langle q(t), \frac{d}{dt} (v(p)) \right\rangle = 0$$

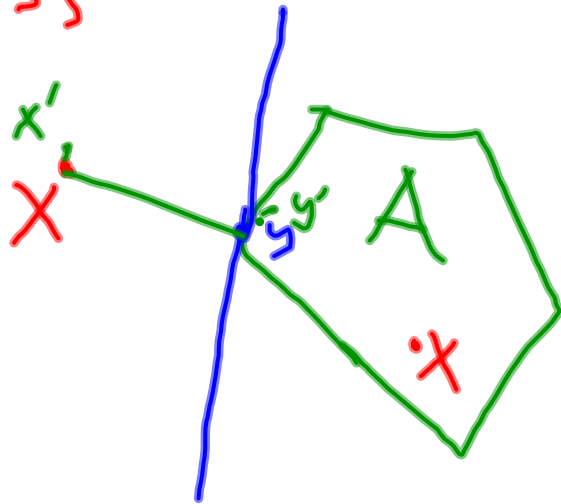
$$= \langle \hat{p}_i - p_i, v(p) \rangle = \langle \hat{p}_i, v(p) \rangle - \langle p_i, v(p) \rangle$$

$$= u_i(\hat{p}_i, p_i) - u_i(p_i, p_i)$$

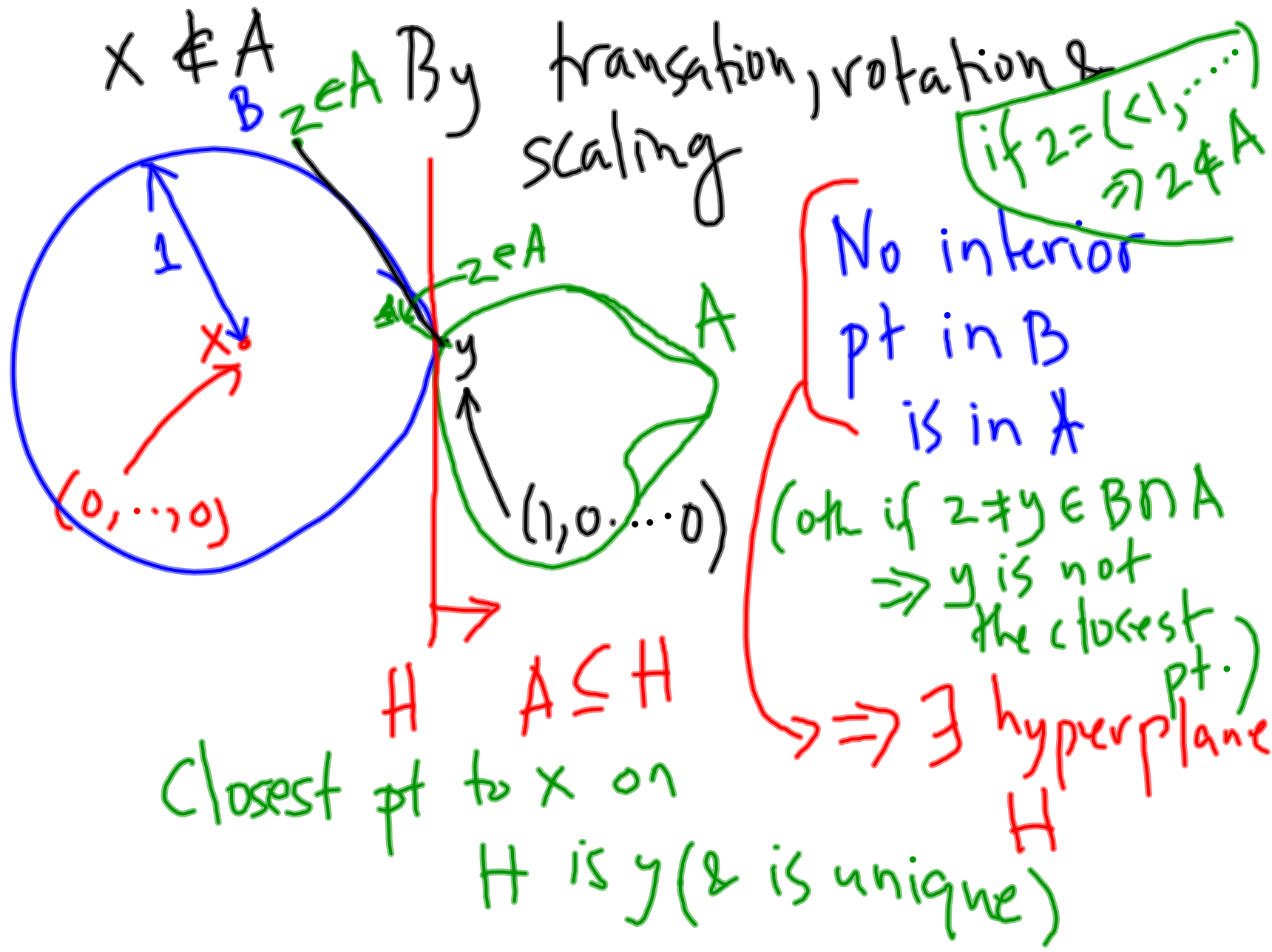
Technical Lemma:  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  compact + convex

Then  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\arg \min_{y \in A} \|x - y\|$   
is unique & cont.

Uniqueness  
obvious  
for  $x \in A$ .



$d(y) = \|x - y\|$   
 $(y \in A)$   
 $\Rightarrow$  min of  $\|x - y\|$   
attained at  $\geq 2$   
 $y \in A$ .  
(A is compact)



$x \notin A$   
 $B$   $z \in A$   $By$  translation, rotation & scaling

if  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$   
 $\Rightarrow z \notin A$

No interior  
 pt in B  
 is in A

(or if  $z \in B \cap A$   
 $\Rightarrow y$  is not  
 the closest  
 pt.)

$\Rightarrow \exists$  hyperplane  
 $H$

$H \quad A \subseteq H$

Closest pt to  $x$  on  
 $H$  is  $y$  (& is unique)

Continuity  $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$  s.t

$\forall x, x'$  s.t  $\|x - x'\| \leq \delta$   $\Rightarrow \text{dia}(B(x, 2\delta)) \leq \epsilon$

$\Rightarrow \|y - y'\| \leq \epsilon$   $\left( \begin{array}{l} x \leftarrow y \\ x' \leftarrow y' \end{array} \right)$

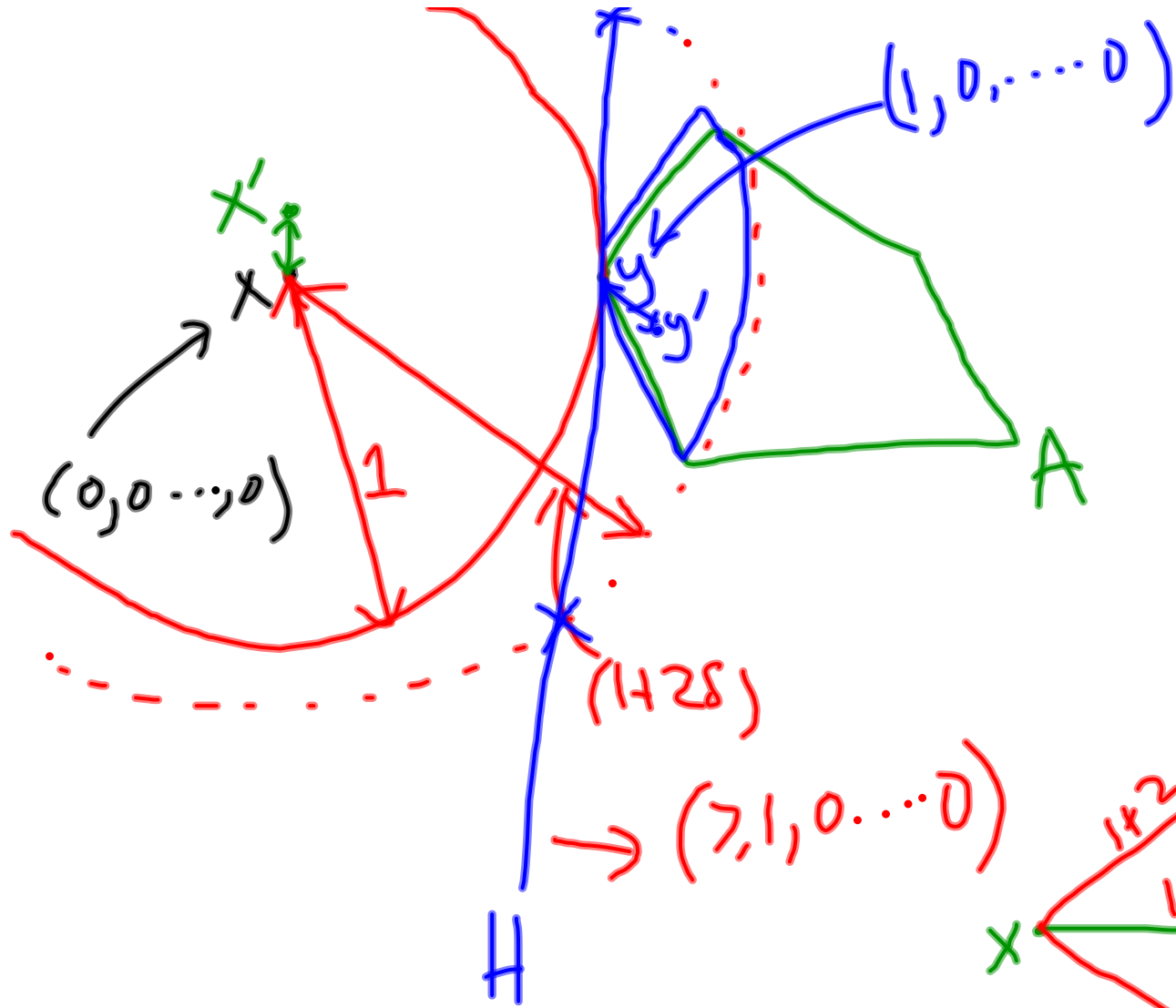
$$\begin{aligned} \|x - y'\| &\leq \|x - x'\| + \|x' - y'\| \\ &\leq \|x - x'\| + \|x' - y\| \\ &\leq \|x - x'\| + \|x' - x\| + \|x - y\| \end{aligned}$$

$y, y' \in B(x, r_0 + 2\delta)$

$\leq \overset{r_0}{\|x - y\|} + 2\delta$

Pick  $\delta$  small s.t

If  $r_0 = 0$   $\Rightarrow \text{dia}(B(x, 2\delta)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$



$$r_0 = 1$$

$$A \subseteq H$$

$$\text{dia}(B(x, 1+2\delta) \cap H)$$

$\rightarrow 0$   
 as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$



Next two weeks

Blackwell's  
approachability  
thm

"No" internal regret

Correlated  
Equilibria

NE  
is  
PPAD-  
hard

EP