

## INDEX AND FIXED POINT THEORY FOR COMPACT ABSORBING CONTRACTIVE PERMISSIBLE MAPS

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ABSTRACT. An index theory is presented for compact absorbing contractive permissible maps and several new fixed point theorems are given for such maps.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In Section 2 we present a slight generalization of the fixed point index for permissible maps [7] and in Section 3 we provide an alternative approach to establishing fixed point theory using projective limits. These results improve those in the literature; see [1-6, 8, 10-11, 13-15] and the references therein.

Consider vector spaces over a field  $K$ . Let  $E$  be a vector space and  $f : E \rightarrow E$  an endomorphism. Now let  $N(f) = \{x \in E : f^{(n)}(x) = 0 \text{ for some } n\}$  where  $f^{(n)}$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  iterate of  $f$ , and let  $\tilde{E} = E \setminus N(f)$ . Since  $f(N(f)) \subseteq N(f)$  we have the induced endomorphism  $\tilde{f} : \tilde{E} \rightarrow \tilde{E}$ . We call  $f$  admissible if  $\dim \tilde{E} < \infty$ ; for such  $f$  we define the generalized trace  $Tr(f)$  of  $f$  by putting  $Tr(f) = tr(\tilde{f})$  where  $tr$  stands for the ordinary trace.

Let  $f = \{f_q\} : E \rightarrow E$  be an endomorphism of degree zero of a graded vector space  $E = \{E_q\}$ . We call  $f$  a Leray endomorphism if (i). all  $f_q$  are admissible and (ii). almost all  $\tilde{E}_q$  are trivial. For such  $f$  we define the generalized Lefschetz number  $\Lambda(f)$  by

$$\Lambda(f) = \sum_q (-1)^q Tr(f_q).$$

A linear map  $f : E \rightarrow E$  of a vector space  $E$  into itself is called weakly nilpotent provided for every  $x \in E$  there exists  $n_x$  such that  $f^{n_x}(x) = 0$ .

Assume that  $E = \{E_q\}$  is a graded vector space and  $f = \{f_q\} : E \rightarrow E$  is an endomorphism. We say that  $f$  is weakly nilpotent iff  $f_q$  is weakly nilpotent for every  $q$ .

It is well known [9, pp 53] that any weakly nilpotent endomorphism  $f : E \rightarrow E$  is a Leray endomorphism and  $\Lambda(f) = 0$ .

Let  $H$  be the Čech homology functor with compact carriers and coefficients in the field of rational numbers  $K$  from the category of Hausdorff topological spaces and continuous maps to the category of graded vector spaces and linear maps of degree zero. Thus  $H(X) = \{H_q(X)\}$  is a graded vector space,  $H_q(X)$  being the  $q$ -dimensional Čech homology group with compact carriers of  $X$ . For a continuous map  $f : X \rightarrow X$ ,  $H(f)$  is the induced linear map  $f_\star = \{f_{\star q}\}$  where  $f_{\star q} : H_q(X) \rightarrow H_q(X)$ .

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Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be Hausdorff topological spaces.

**Definition 1.1.** A multivalued map  $F : X \rightarrow K(Y)$  ( $K(Y)$  denotes the class of nonempty compact subsets of  $Y$ ) is in the class  $\mathcal{A}_m(X, Y)$  if (i).  $F$  is continuous, and (ii). for each  $x \in X$  the set  $F(x)$  consists of one or  $m$  acyclic components; here  $m$  is a positive integer. We say  $F$  is of class  $\mathcal{A}_0(X, Y)$  if  $F$  is upper semicontinuous and for each  $x \in X$  the set  $F(x)$  is acyclic.

**Definition 1.2.** A decomposition  $(F_1, \dots, F_n)$  of a multivalued map  $F : X \rightarrow 2^Y$  is a sequence of maps

$$X = X_0 \xrightarrow{F_1} X_1 \xrightarrow{F_2} X_2 \xrightarrow{F_3} \dots \xrightarrow{F_{n-1}} X_{n-1} \xrightarrow{F_n} X_n = Y,$$

where  $F_i \in \mathcal{A}_{m_i}(X_{i-1}, X_i)$ ,  $F = F_n \circ \dots \circ F_1$ . One can say that the map  $F$  is determined by the decomposition  $(F_1, \dots, F_n)$ . The number  $n$  is said to be the length of the decomposition  $(F_1, \dots, F_n)$ . We will denote the class of decompositions by  $\mathcal{D}(X, Y)$ .

**Definition 1.3.** An upper semicontinuous map  $F : X \rightarrow K(Y)$  is permissible provided it admits a selector  $G : X \rightarrow K(Y)$  which is determined by a decomposition  $(G_1, \dots, G_n) \in \mathcal{D}(X, Y)$ . We denote the class of permissible maps from  $X$  into  $Y$  by  $\mathcal{P}(X, Y)$ .

Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff topological space and let a map  $\Phi$  be determined by  $(\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$ . Then  $\Phi$  is said to be a Lefschetz map if the induced homology homomorphism [7, pp 27]  $(\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_k)_* : H(X) \rightarrow H(X)$  is a Leray endomorphism.

If  $\Phi : X \rightarrow X$  is a Lefschetz map as described above then we define the Lefschetz number (see [7])  $\Lambda(\Phi)$  (or  $\Lambda_X(\Phi)$ ) by

$$\Lambda(\Phi) = \Lambda((\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_k)_*).$$

A Hausdorff topological space  $X$  is said to be a Lefschetz space (for the class  $\mathcal{D}$ ) provided every compact  $\Phi : X \rightarrow K(X)$  determined by a decomposition  $(\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  is a Lefschetz map and  $\Lambda(\phi) \neq 0$  implies  $\Phi$  has a fixed point.

**Example.** If  $X$  is a metric ANR then  $X$  is a Lefschetz space (for the class  $\mathcal{D}$ ) (see [7, pp 42] or [9, Section 50-53]).

A map  $\Phi \in \mathcal{P}(X, X)$  is said to be a Lefschetz map provided every selector  $G : X \rightarrow K(X)$  of  $\Phi$  which is determined by  $(G_1, \dots, G_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  is such that  $(G_1, \dots, G_k)_* : H(X) \rightarrow H(X)$  is a Leray endomorphism.

If  $\Phi \in \mathcal{P}(X, X)$  is a Lefschetz map as described above then we define the Lefschetz set  $\Lambda(\Phi)$  (or  $\Lambda_X(\Phi)$ ) by

$$\Lambda(\Phi) = \{ \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_*) : (G_1, \dots, G_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X) \text{ and } (G_1, \dots, G_k) \text{ determines a selector of } \Phi \}.$$

A Hausdorff topological space  $X$  is said to be a Lefschetz space (for the class  $\mathcal{P}$ ) provided every compact  $\Phi \in \mathcal{P}(X, X)$  is a Lefschetz map and  $\Lambda(\phi) \neq \{0\}$  implies

$\Phi$  has a fixed point.

**Example.** If  $X$  is a metric ANR then  $X$  is a Lefschetz space (for the class  $\mathcal{P}$ ) (see [7, pp 43]).

The following concepts will be needed in Section 3. Let  $(X, d)$  be a metric space and  $S$  a nonempty subset of  $X$ . For  $x \in X$  let  $d(x, S) = \inf_{y \in S} d(x, y)$ . Also  $diam S = \sup\{d(x, y) : x, y \in S\}$ . We let  $B(x, r)$  denote the open ball in  $X$  centered at  $x$  of radius  $r$  and by  $B(S, r)$  we denote  $\cup_{x \in S} B(x, r)$ . For two nonempty subsets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  of  $X$  we define the generalized Hausdorff distance  $H$  to be

$$H(S_1, S_2) = \inf\{\epsilon > 0 : S_1 \subseteq B(S_2, \epsilon), S_2 \subseteq B(S_1, \epsilon)\}.$$

Now suppose  $G : S \rightarrow 2^X$ . Then  $G$  is said to be hemicompact if each sequence  $\{x_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $S$  has a convergent subsequence whenever  $d(x_n, G(x_n)) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Now let  $I$  be a directed set with order  $\leq$  and let  $\{E_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  be a family of locally convex spaces. For each  $\alpha \in I, \beta \in I$  for which  $\alpha \leq \beta$  let  $\pi_{\alpha, \beta} : E_\beta \rightarrow E_\alpha$  be a continuous map. Then the set

$$\left\{ x = (x_\alpha) \in \prod_{\alpha \in I} E_\alpha : x_\alpha = \pi_{\alpha, \beta}(x_\beta) \forall \alpha, \beta \in I, \alpha \leq \beta \right\}$$

is a closed subset of  $\prod_{\alpha \in I} E_\alpha$  and is called the projective limit of  $\{E_\alpha\}_{\alpha \in I}$  and is denoted by  $\lim_{\leftarrow} E_\alpha$  (or  $\lim_{\leftarrow} \{E_\alpha, \pi_{\alpha, \beta}\}$  or the generalized intersection  $[1, 2] \cap_{\alpha \in I} E_\alpha$ .)

## 2. INDEX THEORY

In this section we give a slight generalization of the fixed point index for permissible maps. In [15] we defined compact absorbing contractions as follows. Let  $X$  be a Hausdorff topological space. A map  $F : X \rightarrow K(X)$  determined by  $(F_1, \dots, F_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  is said to be a compact absorbing contraction (and we write  $F \in CAC(X, X)$  or  $F \in CAC(X)$ ) if there exists  $Y \subseteq X$  such that

- (i)  $F(Y) \subseteq Y$ ;
- (ii)  $F|_Y$  (which of course is determined by the restriction of  $(F_1, \dots, F_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  to the subset  $Y$ ) is a compact map with  $Y$  a Lefschetz space;
- (iii) for every compact  $K \subseteq X$  there is an integer  $n = n(K)$  such that  $F^n(K) \subseteq Y$ .

**Remark 2.1.** If  $Y = U$  is an open subset of  $X$  then (iii) could be changed to

- (iii)' . for every  $x \in X$  there exists an integer  $n = n(x)$  such that  $F^{n(x)}(x) \subseteq Y = U$ .

However for our index below we will need  $Y$  in our definition above to be an open ANR. So in this paper  $X$  will be a metric space. A map  $F : X \rightarrow K(X)$  determined by  $(F_1, \dots, F_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  is said to be a compact absorbing contraction (written  $F \in CAC(X, X)$  or  $F \in CAC(X)$ ) if there exists  $Y \subseteq X$  such that

- (i)  $F(Y) \subseteq Y$ ;

- (ii)  $F|_Y$  (which of course is determined by the restriction of  $(F_1, \dots, F_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  to the subset  $Y$ ) is a compact map with  $Y$  an open ANR;
- (iii) for every  $x \in X$  there exists an integer  $n = n(x)$  such that  $F^{n(x)}(x) \subseteq Y$ .

We are now in a position to define the index. Let  $X$  be a metric space,  $W$  open in  $X$ ,  $F \in CAC(X, X)$  (with  $Y$  as described above) and  $x \notin Fx$  for  $x \in \partial W$  (here  $\partial W$  denotes the boundary of  $W$  in  $X$ ). We now define

$$i(X, F, W) = ind(Y, F|_Y, W \cap Y)$$

where  $ind$  is as described in [7, pp 38] (note  $W \cap Y$  is an open subset of the ANR  $Y$  and note  $x \notin Fx$  for  $x \in \partial_Y(W \cap Y)$  since  $\partial_Y(W \cap Y) = \overline{(W \cap Y)}^Y \setminus (W \cap Y) \subseteq (\overline{W} \cap Y) \setminus (W \cap Y) \subseteq \overline{W} \setminus W = \partial W$ ). It is worthwhile remarking that if there exists  $x \in X$  with  $x \in Fx$  then from (iii) above we have  $x \in Y$ .

Our definition is independent of our choice of  $Y$ . To see this let (i), (ii) and (iii) above hold with  $Y$  replaced by  $Y_1$ . First note  $Y_1 \cap Y$  is an ANR since it is an open subset of the ANR  $Y$ . Also note  $F(W \cap Y \cap Y_1) \subseteq Y_1 \cap Y$  since  $F(Y_1) \subseteq Y_1$  and  $F(Y) \subseteq Y$ . Now from the contraction property we have

$$\begin{aligned} ind(Y, F, Y_1 \cap Y \cap W) &= ind(Y_1 \cap Y, F, (Y_1 \cap Y) \cap (Y_1 \cap Y \cap W)) \\ &= ind(Y_1 \cap Y, F, Y_1 \cap Y \cap W) \end{aligned}$$

and from the localization property, since  $(Y_1 \cap W) \cap Y$  is open in  $Y$  and  $(Y_1 \cap W) \cap Y \subseteq Y \cap W \subseteq Y$ , we have

$$ind(Y, F, Y \cap W) = ind(Y, F, Y_1 \cap Y \cap W).$$

Thus

$$(2.1) \quad ind(Y, F, Y \cap W) = ind(Y_1 \cap Y, F, Y_1 \cap Y \cap W).$$

Similarly from the contraction property we have

$$\begin{aligned} ind(Y_1, F, Y_1 \cap Y \cap W) &= ind(Y_1 \cap Y, F, (Y_1 \cap Y) \cap (Y_1 \cap Y \cap W)) \\ &= ind(Y_1 \cap Y, F, Y_1 \cap Y \cap W) \end{aligned}$$

and from the localization property, since  $(Y \cap W) \cap Y_1$  is open in  $Y_1$  and  $(Y \cap W) \cap Y_1 \subseteq Y_1 \cap W \subseteq Y_1$ , we have

$$ind(Y_1, F, Y_1 \cap W) = ind(Y_1, F, Y_1 \cap Y \cap W).$$

Thus

$$(2.2) \quad ind(Y_1, F, Y_1 \cap W) = ind(Y_1 \cap Y, F, Y_1 \cap Y \cap W).$$

Combining (2.1) and (2.2) gives

$$ind(Y_1, F, Y_1 \cap W) = ind(Y, F, Y \cap W).$$

Now we discuss some properties of the index.

**Property I.** (Additivity) Let  $W$  be an open subset of  $X$ ,  $F \in CAC(X, X)$  and assume  $W_1 \subseteq W$ ,  $W_2 \subseteq W$  are disjoint open sets with  $Fix F|_{\overline{W}} \subseteq W_1 \cap W_2$ . Then

$$i(X, F, W) = i(X, F, W_1) + i(X, F, W_2).$$

*Proof.* Let  $Y$  be as described above. Then the additivity property of  $ind$  (see [7, pp 39], note  $W_1 \cap Y$  and  $W_2 \cap Y$  are open in  $Y$  and disjoint and  $Fix F|_{\overline{(W \cap Y)}^Y} \subseteq (W_1 \cap Y) \cup (W_2 \cap Y)$ ) we have

$$\begin{aligned} i(X, F, W) &= ind(Y, F, W \cap Y) = ind(Y, F, W_1 \cap Y) + ind(Y, F, W_2 \cap Y) \\ &= i(X, F, W_1) + i(X, F, W_2). \end{aligned}$$

□

The following three properties are also immediate.

**Property II.** (Localization) Let  $W$  and  $W_1$  be open subsets of  $X$  with  $W_1 \subseteq W$  and let  $F \in CAC(X, X)$  with  $Fix F|_{\overline{W}} \subseteq W_1$ . Then

$$i(X, F, W) = i(X, F, W_1).$$

**Property III.** (Contraction) Let  $W$  be an open subset of  $X$ ,  $F \in CAC(X, X)$ ,  $x \notin Fx$  for  $x \in \partial W$ , with  $F(W) \subseteq A$  and  $F(A) \subseteq A$ . Then

$$i(X, F, W) = i(A, F, A \cap W).$$

**Property IV.** (Excision) Let  $W$  be an open subset of  $X$ ,  $F \in CAC(X, X)$  with  $Fix F \subseteq W$ . Then

$$i(X, F, W) = i(X, F, X).$$

**Property V.** (Normalization) Let  $F \in CAC(X, X)$ . Then

$$i(X, F, X) = \Lambda(F) (= \Lambda((F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star));$$

here  $F$  is determined by  $(F_1, \dots, F_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $Y$  and  $F$  be as described above (i.e.  $F$  is determined by  $(F_1, \dots, F_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$ ). We consider three homomorphisms

$$(F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star X : H(X) \rightarrow H(X), \quad (F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star Y : H(Y) \rightarrow H(Y)$$

and

$$(F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star : H(X, Y) \rightarrow H(X, Y).$$

Since  $Y$  is an ANR (so in particular a Lefschetz space) then  $(F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star Y$  is a Leray endomorphism. For any compact  $K \subseteq X$  there exists an  $n$  with  $F^n(K) \subseteq Y$  and since we consider Čech homology with compact carriers then  $(F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star$  is weakly nilpotent. Then [9, pp 53] guarantees that  $(F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star$  is a Leray endomorphism and  $\Lambda((F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star) = 0$ . Also [9, Property 11.5, pp 52] guarantees that  $(F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star X$  is a Leray endomorphism and  $\Lambda((F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star X) = \Lambda((F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star Y)$ . Now [7, pp40] guarantees that

$$ind(Y, F, Y) = \Lambda((F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star Y)$$

so

$$\Lambda((F_1, \dots, F_k)_\star Y) = ind(Y, F, Y) = i(X, F, X).$$

□

Other properties, for example the homotopy property, could also be formulated. We leave these to the reader.

Let  $X$  be a metric space. A map  $F \in \mathcal{P}(X, X)$  is said to be a compact absorbing contraction (written  $F \in CACP(X, X)$  or  $F \in CACP(X)$ ) if every selector  $G : X \rightarrow K(X)$  of  $F$  which is determined by  $(G_1, \dots, G_n) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  is such that  $G \in CAC(X, X)$ .

Note from the proof of Property V we have that  $\Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_n)_\star)$  is defined and as a result we can define the Lefschetz set  $\mathbf{\Lambda}(F)$  as in Section 1.

Let  $W$  be an open subset of  $X$  with  $Fix F \cap \partial W = \emptyset$ . We now define

$$i(X, F, W) = \{i(X, G, W) : G \text{ is a selector of } F \text{ determined by } (G_1, \dots, G_n) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X) \text{ and } G \in CAC(X, X)\}.$$

The following properties (we just list a few) are immediate.

**Property I.** Let  $W$  be an open subset of  $X$ ,  $F \in CACP(X, X)$  and assume  $W_1 \subseteq W$ ,  $W_2 \subseteq W$  are disjoint open sets with  $Fix F|_{\overline{W}} \subseteq W_1 \cap W_2$ . Then

$$i(X, F, W) \subseteq i(X, F, W_1) + i(X, F, W_2).$$

**Property II.** Let  $F \in CACP(X, X)$ . Then

$$i(X, F, X) = \mathbf{\Lambda}(F).$$

**Property III.** Let  $W$  be an open subset of  $X$ ,  $F \in CACP(X, X)$  and  $Fix F \cap \partial W = \emptyset$ . If  $i(X, F, W) \neq \{0\}$  then  $F$  has a fixed point in  $W$ .

We now briefly discuss the Lefschetz fixed point theorem for pairs of spaces. Let  $X$  and  $A$  be metric spaces with  $A \subseteq X$ . Let  $F \in CACP(X, X)$  and assume  $F(A) \subseteq A$ . If a selector  $G$  of  $F$  is determined by  $(G_1, \dots, G_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  then  $G(A) \subseteq A$ . The same idea as in the proof of Property V (note  $G|_A \in CAC(A, A)$ ) above guarantees that

$$(G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star X : H(X) \rightarrow H(X) \text{ and } (G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star A : H(A) \rightarrow H(A)$$

are Leray endomorphisms. Now [9, Property 11.5, pp 52] guarantees that

$$(G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star : H(X, A) \rightarrow H(X, A)$$

is a Leray endomorphism and

$$\Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star) = \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star X) - \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star A).$$

As a result we can define the relative Lefschetz set  $\mathbf{\Lambda}_{X,A}(F)$  by

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}_{X,A}(F) = \{\Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star) : (G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star : H(X, A) \rightarrow H(X, A) \text{ and } (G_1, \dots, G_k) \text{ determines a selector of } F\}.$$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $X$  and  $A$  be metric spaces with  $F \in CACP(X, X)$  and  $F(A) \subseteq A$ . Then  $\mathbf{\Lambda}_{X,A}(F) \neq \{0\}$  implies  $F$  has a fixed point in  $\overline{X \setminus A}$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $(G_1, \dots, G_k) \in \mathcal{D}(X, X)$  determines a selector of  $F$  with  $\Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star) \neq 0$ . As above we have

$$(2.3) \quad \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star) = \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star X) - \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_\star A).$$

Suppose  $F$  has no fixed points in  $\overline{X \setminus A}$ . Then  $Fix G \subseteq X \setminus (\overline{X \setminus A}) = int_X A$ . Let  $W = int_X A$  so  $W$  is an open subset of  $X$  with  $W \subseteq A$ . Therefore from Property IV and Property V above (note  $Fix G \subseteq W$ ) we have

$$(2.4) \quad i(X, G, W) = i(X, G, X) = \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_* X).$$

Similarly since  $W = int_X A \subseteq A$  is an open subset of  $A$  we have

$$(2.5) \quad i(A, G, W) = i(A, G, A) = \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_* A).$$

Also from Property III above (note  $G(A) \subseteq F(A) \subseteq A$ ) we have

$$i(X, G, X) = i(A, G, A \cap W) = i(A, G, W)$$

so from (2.4) and (2.5) we have

$$\Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_* X) = \Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_* A).$$

As a result (2.3) implies  $\Lambda((G_1, \dots, G_k)_*) = 0$ , a contradiction. □

### 3. FIXED POINT THEORY IN FRÉCHET SPACES

We now present another approach to establishing fixed points based on projective limits (see [1, 2]). Our results improve those in [3, 4]. Let  $E = (E, \{|\cdot|_n\}_{n \in N})$  be a Fréchet space with the topology generated by a family of seminorms  $\{|\cdot|_n : n \in N\}$ ; here  $N = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ . We assume that the family of seminorms satisfies

$$(3.1) \quad |x|_1 \leq |x|_2 \leq |x|_3 \leq \dots \quad \text{for every } x \in E.$$

A subset  $X$  of  $E$  is bounded if for every  $n \in N$  there exists  $r_n > 0$  such that  $|x|_n \leq r_n$  for all  $x \in X$ . For  $r > 0$  and  $x \in E$  we denote  $B(x, r) = \{y \in E : |x - y|_n \leq r \forall n \in N\}$ . To  $E$  we associate a sequence of Banach spaces  $\{(\mathbf{E}_n, |\cdot|_n)\}$  described as follows. For every  $n \in N$  we consider the equivalence relation  $\sim_n$  defined by

$$(3.2) \quad x \sim_n y \quad \text{iff} \quad |x - y|_n = 0.$$

We denote by  $\mathbf{E}^n = (E / \sim_n, |\cdot|_n)$  the quotient space, and by  $(\mathbf{E}_n, |\cdot|_n)$  the completion of  $\mathbf{E}^n$  with respect to  $|\cdot|_n$  (the norm on  $\mathbf{E}^n$  induced by  $|\cdot|_n$  and its extension to  $\mathbf{E}_n$  are still denoted by  $|\cdot|_n$ ). This construction defines a continuous map  $\mu_n : E \rightarrow \mathbf{E}_n$ . Now since (3.1) is satisfied the seminorm  $|\cdot|_n$  induces a seminorm on  $\mathbf{E}_m$  for every  $m \geq n$  (again this seminorm is denoted by  $|\cdot|_n$ ). Also (3.2) defines an equivalence relation on  $\mathbf{E}_m$  from which we obtain a continuous map  $\mu_{n,m} : \mathbf{E}_m \rightarrow \mathbf{E}_n$  since  $\mathbf{E}_m / \sim_n$  can be regarded as a subset of  $\mathbf{E}_n$ . Now  $\mu_{n,m} \mu_{m,k} = \mu_{n,k}$  if  $n \leq m \leq k$  and  $\mu_n = \mu_{n,m} \mu_m$  if  $n \leq m$ . We now assume the following condition holds:

$$(3.3) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for each } n \in N, \text{ there exists a Banach space } (E_n, |\cdot|_n) \\ \text{and an isomorphism (between normed spaces) } j_n : \mathbf{E}_n \rightarrow E_n. \end{array} \right.$$

**Remark 3.1.** (i) For convenience the norm on  $E_n$  is denoted by  $|\cdot|_n$ .  
 (ii) In many applications  $\mathbf{E}_n = \mathbf{E}^n$  for each  $n \in N$ .

- (iii) Note if  $x \in \mathbf{E}_n$  (or  $\mathbf{E}^n$ ) then  $x \in E$ . However if  $x \in E_n$  then  $x$  is not necessarily in  $E$  and in fact  $E_n$  is easier to use in applications (even though  $E_n$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbf{E}_n$ ). For example if  $E = C[0, \infty)$ , then  $\mathbf{E}^n$  consists of the class of functions in  $E$  which coincide on the interval  $[0, n]$  and  $E_n = C[0, n]$ .

Finally we assume

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{cases} E_1 \supseteq E_2 \supseteq \dots & \text{and for each } n \in N, \\ |j_n \mu_{n,n+1} j_{n+1}^{-1} x|_n \leq |x|_{n+1} \forall x \in E_{n+1} \end{cases}$$

(here we use the notation from [1, 2] i.e. decreasing in the generalized sense). Let  $\lim_{\leftarrow} E_n$  (or  $\cap_1^\infty E_n$  where  $\cap_1^\infty$  is the generalized intersection [1, 2]) denote the projective limit of  $\{E_n\}_{n \in N}$  (note  $\pi_{n,m} = j_n \mu_{n,m} j_m^{-1} : E_m \rightarrow E_n$  for  $m \geq n$ ) and note  $\lim_{\leftarrow} E_n \cong E$ , so for convenience we write  $E = \lim_{\leftarrow} E_n$ .

For each  $X \subseteq E$  and each  $n \in N$  we set  $X_n = j_n \mu_n(X)$ , and we let  $\overline{X}_n$ ,  $\text{int } X_n$  and  $\partial X_n$  denote respectively the closure, the interior and the boundary of  $X_n$  with respect to  $|\cdot|_n$  in  $E_n$ . Also the pseudo-interior of  $X$  is defined by

$$\text{pseudo-int}(X) = \{x \in X : j_n \mu_n(x) \in \overline{X}_n \setminus \partial X_n \text{ for every } n \in N\}.$$

The set  $X$  is pseudo-open if  $X = \text{pseudo-int}(X)$ . For  $r > 0$  and  $x \in E_n$  we denote  $B_n(x, r) = \{y \in E_n : |x - y|_n \leq r\}$ .

Let  $M \subseteq E$  and consider the map  $F : M \rightarrow 2^E$ . Assume for each  $n \in N$  and  $x \in M$  that  $j_n \mu_n F(x)$  is closed. Let  $n \in N$  and  $M_n = j_n \mu_n(M)$ . Since we first consider Volterra type operators we assume (note this assumption is only needed in Theorems 3.2 and 3.6)

$$(3.5) \quad \text{if } x, y \in E \text{ with } |x - y|_n = 0 \text{ then } H_n(Fx, Fy) = 0;$$

here  $H_n$  denotes the appropriate generalized Hausdorff distance (alternatively we could assume  $\forall n \in N, \forall x, y \in M$  if  $j_n \mu_n x = j_n \mu_n y$  then  $j_n \mu_n Fx = j_n \mu_n Fy$  and of course here we do not need to assume that  $j_n \mu_n F(x)$  is closed for each  $n \in N$  and  $x \in M$ ). Now (3.5) guarantees that we can define (a well defined)  $F_n$  on  $M_n$  as follows:

For  $y \in M_n$  there exists a  $x \in M$  with  $y = j_n \mu_n(x)$  and we let

$$F_n y = j_n \mu_n Fx$$

(we could of course call it  $Fy$  since it is clear in the situation we use it); note  $F_n : M_n \rightarrow C(E_n)$  and note if there exists a  $z \in M$  with  $y = j_n \mu_n(z)$  then  $j_n \mu_n Fx = j_n \mu_n Fz$  from (3.5) (here  $C(E_n)$  denotes the family of nonempty closed subsets of  $E_n$ ). In this paper we assume  $F_n$  will be defined on  $\overline{M}_n$  i.e. we assume the  $F_n$  described above admits an extension (again we call it  $F_n$ )  $F_n : \overline{M}_n \rightarrow 2^{E_n}$  (we will assume certain properties on the extension).

Now we present some fixed point theorems in Fréchet spaces which improve results in [4]. Our first two results are motivated by Volterra type operators.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $E$  and  $E_n$  be as described above,  $X$  a subset of  $E$ ,  $U$  a pseudo-open subset of  $E$  and  $F : Z \rightarrow 2^E$  with  $Z \subseteq E$ , and  $X_n \subseteq Z_n$  for each  $n \in N$ . Also assume for each  $n \in N$  and  $x \in Z$  that  $j_n \mu_n F(x)$  is closed and in*



addition for each  $n \in N$  that  $F_n : X_n \rightarrow 2^{E_n}$  is as described above. Suppose the following conditions are satisfied:

$$(3.6) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, F_n \in CACP(X_n, X_n)$$

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{cases} \text{for each } n \in N, F_n \text{ has no fixed points in } \partial W_n; \text{ here} \\ W_n = U_n \cap X_n \text{ and } \partial W_n \text{ denotes the boundary of } W_n \text{ in } X_n \end{cases}$$

$$(3.8) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, i(X_n, F_n, W_n) \neq \{0\}$$

and

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{cases} \text{for each } n \in \{2, 3, \dots\} \text{ if } y \in W_n \text{ solves } y \in F_n y \\ \text{in } E_n \text{ then } j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y) \in W_k \text{ for } k \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}. \end{cases}$$

In addition assume either

$$(3.10) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, F_n : W_n \rightarrow 2^{E_n} \text{ is hemicompact}$$

or

$$(3.11) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, F_n : \overline{W_n} \rightarrow 2^{E_n} \text{ is hemicompact}$$

hold. Then  $F$  has a fixed point in  $E$ .

**Remark 3.3.** Note in Theorem 3.2 if  $x \in X_n$  then  $x \in Z_n$  so there exists a  $y \in Z$  with  $x = j_n \mu_n(y)$  and so  $F_n(x) = j_n \mu_n F(y)$ .

*Proof.* Fix  $n \in N$ . It is well known that  $U_n = \text{int } U_n$ . To see this note  $U_n \subseteq \overline{U_n} \setminus \partial U_n$  since if  $y \in U_n$  then there exists  $x \in U$  with  $y = j_n \mu_n(x)$  and this together with  $U = \text{pseudo-int } U$  yields  $j_n \mu_n(x) \in \overline{U_n} \setminus \partial U_n$  i.e.  $y \in \overline{U_n} \setminus \partial U_n$ . In addition notice

$$\overline{U_n} \setminus \partial U_n = (\text{int } U_n \cup \partial U_n) \setminus \partial U_n = \text{int } U_n \setminus \partial U_n = \text{int } U_n$$

since  $\text{int } U_n \cap \partial U_n = \emptyset$ . Consequently

$$U_n \subseteq \overline{U_n} \setminus \partial U_n = \text{int } U_n, \text{ so } U_n = \text{int } U_n.$$

Now (3.8) guarantees that there exists  $y_n \in W_n = U_n \cap X_n$  with  $y_n \in F_n y_n$  in  $E_n$ . Lets look at  $\{y_n\}_{n \in N}$ . Notice  $y_1 \in W_1$  and  $j_1 \mu_{1,k} j_k^{-1}(y_k) \in W_1$  for  $k \in N \setminus \{1\}$  from (3.9). Note  $j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \in F_1(j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n))$  in  $E_1$ ; to see note for  $n \in N$  fixed there exists a  $x \in E$  with  $y_n = j_n \mu_n(x)$  so  $j_n \mu_n(x) \in F_n(y_n) = j_n \mu_n F(x)$  on  $E_n$  so on  $E_1$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) &= j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1} j_n \mu_n(x) \in j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1} j_n \mu_n F(x) \\ &= j_1 \mu_{1,n} \mu_n F(x) = j_1 \mu_1 F(x) = F_1(j_1 \mu_1(x)) \\ &= F_1(j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1} j_n \mu_n(x)) = F_1(j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n)). \end{aligned}$$

As a result  $j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \in F_1(j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n))$  in  $E_1$ ,  $j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \in W_1$  for  $n \in N$ , together with (3.10) or (3.11) implies there is a subsequence  $N_1^*$  of  $N$  and a  $z_1 \in \overline{W_1}$  (note  $z_1 \in W_1$  if (3.10) holds) with  $j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow z_1$  in  $E_1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $N_1^*$  and  $z_1 \in F_1 z_1$  since  $F_1$  is upper semicontinuous. Note  $z_1 \in W_1$  (this follows from (3.7) if (3.11) holds). Let  $N_1 = N_1^* \setminus \{1\}$ . Now  $j_2 \mu_{2,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \in W_2$  for  $n \in N_1$  together with (3.10) or (3.11) guarantees that there exists a subsequence  $N_2^*$  of  $N_1$  and a  $z_2 \in \overline{W_2}$  with  $j_2 \mu_{2,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow z_2$

in  $E_2$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $N_2^*$  and  $z_2 \in F_2 z_2$ . Also  $z_2 \in W_2$ . Note from (3.4) and the uniqueness of limits that  $j_1 \mu_{1,2} j_2^{-1} z_2 = z_1$  in  $E_1$  since  $N_2^* \subseteq N_1$  (note  $j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) = j_1 \mu_{1,2} j_2^{-1} j_2 \mu_{2,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n)$  for  $n \in N_2^*$ ). Let  $N_2 = N_2^* \setminus \{2\}$ . Proceed inductively to obtain subsequences of integers

$$N_1^* \supseteq N_2^* \supseteq \dots, \quad N_k^* \subseteq \{k, k + 1, \dots\}$$

and  $z_k \in \overline{W_k}$  with  $j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow z_k$  in  $E_k$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $N_k^*$  and  $z_k \in F_k z_k$ . Also  $z_k \in W_k$ . Note  $j_k \mu_{k,k+1} j_{k+1}^{-1} z_{k+1} = z_k$  in  $E_k$  for  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ . Also let  $N_k = N_k^* \setminus \{k\}$ .

Fix  $k \in N$ . Now  $z_k \in F_k z_k$  in  $E_k$ . Note as well that

$$\begin{aligned} z_k &= j_k \mu_{k,k+1} j_{k+1}^{-1} z_{k+1} = j_k \mu_{k,k+1} j_{k+1}^{-1} j_{k+1} \mu_{k+1,k+2} j_{k+2}^{-1} z_{k+2} \\ &= j_k \mu_{k,k+2} j_{k+2}^{-1} z_{k+2} = \dots = j_k \mu_{k,m} j_m^{-1} z_m = \pi_{k,m} z_m \end{aligned}$$

for every  $m \geq k$ . We can do this for each  $k \in N$ . As a result  $y = (z_k) \in \lim_{\leftarrow} E_n = E$  and also note  $y \in Z$  since  $z_k \in W_k \subseteq X_k \subseteq Z_k$  for each  $k \in N$ . Thus for each  $k \in N$  we have

$$j_k \mu_k(y) = z_k \in F_k z_k = j_k \mu_k F y \text{ in } E_k$$

so  $y \in F y$  in  $E$ . □

**Remark 3.4.** We can replace (3.9) in Theorem 3.2 with

$$\begin{cases} \text{for each } n \in \{2, 3, \dots\} \text{ if } y \in W_n \text{ solves } y \in F_n y \\ \text{in } E_n \text{ then } j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y) \in \overline{W_k} \text{ for } k \in \{1, \dots, n - 1\} \end{cases}$$

provided (3.11) holds.

**Remark 3.5.** In Theorem 3.2 it is possible to replace  $X_n \subseteq Z_n$  with  $X_n$  a subset of the closure of  $Z_n$  in  $E_n$  provided  $Z$  is a closed subset of  $E$  so in this case we could have  $Z = X$  if  $X$  is closed. To see this note from  $y = (z_k) \in \lim_{\leftarrow} E_n = E$  and  $\pi_{k,m}(y_m) \rightarrow z_k$  in  $E_k$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$  we can conclude that  $y \in \overline{Z} = Z$  (note  $q \in \overline{Z}$  iff for every  $k \in N$  there exists  $(x_{k,m}) \in Z$ ,  $x_{k,m} = \pi_{k,n}(x_{n,m})$  for  $n \geq k$  with  $x_{k,m} \rightarrow j_k \mu_k(q)$  in  $E_k$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ ). Thus  $z_k = j_k \mu_k(y) \in Z_k$  and so  $j_k \mu_k(y) \in j_k \mu_k F(y)$  in  $E_k$  as before.

Essentially the same reasoning as in Theorem 3.2 yields the following result (in addition here we have the analogue of Remark 3.4 and Remark 3.5).

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $E$  and  $E_n$  be as described above,  $X$  a subset of  $E$ ,  $U$  a pseudo-open subset of  $E$  and  $F : Z \rightarrow 2^E$  with  $Z \subseteq E$ , and  $\overline{X_n} \subseteq Z_n$  for each  $n \in N$ . Also assume for each  $n \in N$  and  $x \in Z$  that  $j_n \mu_n F(x)$  is closed and in addition for each  $n \in N$  that  $F_n : \overline{X_n} \rightarrow 2^{E_n}$  is as described above. Suppose the following conditions are satisfied:*

$$(3.12) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, F_n \in CACP(\overline{X_n}, \overline{X_n})$$

$$(3.13) \quad \begin{cases} \text{for each } n \in N, F_n \text{ has no fixed points in } \partial W_n; \text{ here} \\ W_n = U_n \cap \overline{X_n} \text{ and } \partial W_n \text{ denotes the boundary of } W_n \text{ in } \overline{X_n} \end{cases}$$

and

$$(3.14) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, i(\overline{X_n}, F_n, W_n) \neq \{0\}.$$

Also assume (3.9) and either (3.10) or (3.11) hold. Then  $F$  has a fixed point in  $E$ .

Our next two results are motivated by Urysohn type operators. In this case the map  $F_n$  will be related to  $F$  by the closure property (3.20).

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $E$  and  $E_n$  be as described above,  $X$  a subset of  $E$ ,  $U$  a pseudo-open subset of  $E$  and  $F : Z \rightarrow 2^E$  with  $Z \subseteq E$ , and  $X_n \subseteq Z_n$  for each  $n \in N$ . Also for each  $n \in N$  assume there exists  $F_n : X_n \rightarrow 2^{E_n}$  and suppose the following conditions are satisfied:*

$$(3.15) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, F_n \in CACP(X_n, X_n)$$

$$(3.16) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for each } n \in N, F_n \text{ has no fixed points in } \partial W_n; \text{ here} \\ W_n = U_n \cap X_n \text{ and } \partial W_n \text{ denotes the boundary of } W_n \text{ in } X_n \end{array} \right.$$

$$(3.17) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, i(X_n, F_n, W_n) \neq \{0\}$$

$$(3.18) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for each } n \in \{2, 3, \dots\} \text{ if } y \in W_n \text{ solves } y \in F_n y \text{ in } E_n \\ \text{then } j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y) \in W_k \text{ for } k \in \{1, \dots, n-1\} \end{array} \right.$$

$$(3.19) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{for any sequence } \{y_n\}_{n \in N} \text{ with } y_n \in W_n \\ \text{and } y_n \in F_n y_n \text{ in } E_n \text{ for } n \in N \text{ and} \\ \text{for every } k \in N \text{ there exists a subsequence} \\ N_k \subseteq \{k+1, k+2, \dots\}, N_k \subseteq N_{k-1} \text{ for} \\ k \in \{1, 2, \dots\}, N_0 = N, \text{ and a } z_k \in \overline{W_k} \text{ with} \\ j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow z_k \text{ in } E_k \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ in } N_k \end{array} \right.$$

and

$$(3.20) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{if there exists a } w \in Z \text{ and a sequence } \{y_n\}_{n \in N} \\ \text{with } y_n \in W_n \text{ and } y_n \in F_n y_n \text{ in } E_n \text{ such that} \\ \text{for every } k \in N \text{ there exists a subsequence } S \subseteq \\ \{k+1, k+2, \dots\} \text{ of } N \text{ with } j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow j_k \mu_k(w) \\ \text{in } E_k \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ in } S, \text{ then } w \in Fw \text{ in } E. \end{array} \right.$$

Then  $F$  has a fixed point in  $E$ .

**Remark 3.8.** Notice to check (3.19) we need to show that for each  $k \in N$  the sequence  $\{j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n)\}_{n \in N_{k-1}} \subseteq \overline{W_k}$  is sequentially compact.

*Proof.* For each  $n \in N$  there exists  $y_n \in W_n$  with  $y_n \in F_n y_n$  in  $E_n$ . Lets look at  $\{y_n\}_{n \in N}$ . Notice  $y_1 \in W_1$  and  $j_1 \mu_{1,k} j_k^{-1}(y_k) \in W_1$  for  $k \in \{2, 3, \dots\}$ . Now (3.19) with  $k = 1$  guarantees that there exists a subsequence  $N_1 \subseteq \{2, 3, \dots\}$  and a  $z_1 \in \overline{W_1}$  with  $j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow z_1$  in  $E_1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $N_1$ . Look at  $\{y_n\}_{n \in N_1}$ . Now  $j_2 \mu_{2,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \in W_2$  for  $k \in N_1$ . Now (3.19) with  $k = 2$  guarantees that there exists a subsequence  $N_2 \subseteq \{3, 4, \dots\}$  of  $N_1$  and a  $z_2 \in \overline{W_2}$  with  $j_2 \mu_{2,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow z_2$  in  $E_2$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $N_2$ . Note from (3.4) and the uniqueness of limits that  $j_1 \mu_{1,2} j_2^{-1} z_2 = z_1$  in  $E_1$  since  $N_2 \subseteq N_1$  (note  $j_1 \mu_{1,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) = j_1 \mu_{1,2} j_2^{-1} j_2 \mu_{2,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n)$  for  $n \in N_2$ ). Proceed inductively to obtain subsequences of integers

$$N_1 \supseteq N_2 \supseteq \dots, \quad N_k \subseteq \{k+1, k+2, \dots\}$$

and  $z_k \in \overline{W_k}$  with  $j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow z_k$  in  $E_k$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $N_k$ . Note  $j_k \mu_{k,k+1} j_{k+1}^{-1} z_{k+1} = z_k$  in  $E_k$  for  $k \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$ .

Fix  $k \in N$ . Note

$$\begin{aligned} z_k &= j_k \mu_{k,k+1} j_{k+1}^{-1} z_{k+1} = j_k \mu_{k,k+1} j_{k+1}^{-1} j_{k+1} \mu_{k+1,k+2} j_{k+2}^{-1} z_{k+2} \\ &= j_k \mu_{k,k+2} j_{k+2}^{-1} z_{k+2} = \dots = j_k \mu_{k,m} j_m^{-1} z_m = \pi_{k,m} z_m \end{aligned}$$

for every  $m \geq k$ . We can do this for each  $k \in N$ . As a result  $y = (z_k) \in \lim_{\leftarrow} E_n = E$  and also note  $y \in Z$  since  $z_k \in \overline{W_k} \subseteq Z_k$  for each  $k \in N$ . Also since  $y_n \in F_n y_n$  in  $E_n$  for  $n \in N_k$  and  $j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y_n) \rightarrow z_k = y$  in  $E_k$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  in  $N_k$  we have from (3.20) that  $y \in F y$  in  $E$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.9.** From the proof we see that condition (3.18) can be removed from the statement of Theorem 3.7. We include it only to explain condition (3.19) (see Remark 3.8).

**Remark 3.10.** Note we could replace  $X_n \subseteq Z_n$  above with  $X_n$  a subset of the closure of  $Z_n$  in  $E_n$  if  $Z$  is a closed subset of  $E$  (so in this case we can take  $Z = X$  if  $X$  is a closed subset of  $E$ ).

**Remark 3.11.** In fact we could replace (3.18) in Theorem 3.7 with

$$\begin{cases} \text{for each } n \in \{2, 3, \dots\} \text{ if } y \in W_n \text{ solves } y \in F_n y \text{ in } E_n \\ \text{then } j_k \mu_{k,n} j_n^{-1}(y) \in \overline{W_k} \text{ for } k \in \{1, \dots, n-1\} \end{cases}$$

and the result above is again true.

Essentially the same reasoning as in Theorem 3.7 yields the following result (in addition here we have the analogue of Remark 3.10 and Remark 3.11).

**Theorem 3.12.** *Let  $E$  and  $E_n$  be as described above,  $X$  a subset of  $E$ ,  $U$  a pseudo-open subset of  $E$  and  $F : Z \rightarrow 2^E$  with  $Z \subseteq E$ , and  $\overline{X_n} \subseteq Z_n$  for each  $n \in N$ . Also for each  $n \in N$  assume there exists  $F_n : \overline{X_n} \rightarrow 2^{E_n}$  and suppose the following conditions are satisfied:*

$$(3.21) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, F_n \in CACP(\overline{X_n}, \overline{X_n})$$

$$(3.22) \quad \begin{cases} \text{for each } n \in N, F_n \text{ has no fixed points in } \partial W_n; \text{ here} \\ W_n = U_n \cap \overline{X_n} \text{ and } \partial W_n \text{ denotes the boundary of } W_n \text{ in } \overline{X_n} \end{cases}$$

and

$$(3.23) \quad \text{for each } n \in N, i(\overline{X_n}, F_n, W_n) \neq \{0\}.$$

*In addition assume (3.18), (3.19) and (3.20) hold. Then  $F$  has a fixed point in  $E$ .*

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