## Nash Equilibrium Existence Proof

- Use Kakutani's fixed point theorem. We need
  - $f: A \rightarrow A$  such that
  - ▶ for all  $a \in A$  the set f(a) is nonempty and convex
  - ▶ the graph of f is closed (i.e. for all sequences  $\{x_n\}$  and  $\{y_n\}$  such that  $y_n \in f(x_n)$  for all  $n, x_n \to x, y_n \to y$ , we have  $y \in f(x)$ ).
- Use  $B(a) = \times_{i \in N} B_i(a_{-i})$ .
  - B : A → A.
  - ▶ For all  $a \in A$  the set B(a) is nonempty (Why?).
  - ▶ For all  $a \in A$  the set B(a) is convex (Why?).
  - B has a closed graph (Why?).
- Thus B has a fixed point, which is a Nash equilibrium.