S P Singh* (ssingh55@rogers.com), Memorial University, Dept of Mathematics and Statistics, St John's, NL A1C 5S7, Canada, and Bruce Watson and M Singh. Best Approximation Theorem and Applications to Nonlinear Analysis.

In this survey talk we will discuss the Best Approximation Theorem of Ky Fan and its extensions given by several researchers. In brief, a series of interesting applications in nonlinear analysis will be given. There will be illustrations of its applications in variational inequalities, fixed point theory and mathematical economics. (Received August 14, 2006)