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Intersections of polynomial orbits, and a dynamical Mordell-Lang conjecture.

We prove that if two nonlinear complex polynomials of the same degree have orbits with infinite intersection, then the polynomials have a common iterate. This naturally gives rise to a special case of a dynamical analogue of the Mordell-Lang conjecture, one that holds for lines in the affine plane $A^1 \times A^1$, under the action of polynomials acting on each coordinate. (Received August 27, 2007)