

# <Convex Optimization>

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## Homework 1

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1. We are going to use induction on  $k$ .

if  $n=2$ , for  $\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2$ , satisfying  $\theta_1 + \theta_2 = 1$ ,  $\theta_i \geq 0$ ,  
 $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $x_i \in C$

then  $\theta_2 = 1 - \theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2 \geq 0$

$$1 - \theta_1 \geq 0$$

$$1 \geq \theta_1 \therefore 0 \leq \theta_1 \leq 1$$

$$\theta_1 = 1 - \theta_2, \theta_1 \geq 0$$

$$1 - \theta_2 \geq 0$$

$$1 \geq \theta_2 \quad 0 \leq \theta_2 \leq 1$$

$\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 = \theta_1 x_1 + (1 - \theta_1) x_2 \in C$  by the definition of convex set.

Assume that if  $n=k$ ,  $\alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k \in C$   
with  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in C$ , and let  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k \in \mathbb{R}$   
satisfy  $\alpha_i \geq 0$ ,  $\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_k = 1$ .

We are going to show if  $n=k+1$ ,  $\beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k + \beta_{k+1} x_{k+1} \in C$

With  $x_1, \dots, x_{k+1} \in C$ , and let  $\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{k+1} \in \mathbb{R}$   
satisfy  $\beta_i \geq 0$ ,  $\beta_1 + \dots + \beta_{k+1} = 1$ .

let  $\alpha_i = \frac{\beta_i}{1 - \beta_{k+1}}$  (if  $\beta_{k+1} = 1$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \beta_i x_i = x_{k+1} \in C$ , so we don't lose generality although we assume  $\beta_{k+1} \neq 1$ )

$$\beta_i = \alpha_i (1 - \beta_{k+1})$$

(if  $\beta_{k+1} = 0$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \beta_i x_i = \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i x_i \in C$ , ( $\because \sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \beta_i = \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i = 1$ ))

So we don't lose generality  
although we assume  $\beta_{k+1} \neq 0$ .

$$\beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_k x_k + \beta_{k+1} x_{k+1}$$

$$= (1 - \beta_{k+1})(\alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k) + \beta_{k+1} x_{k+1}$$

$$x_{k+1} \in C, \alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k \in C \text{ by Assumption}$$

$$\text{and } (1 - \beta_{k+1}) + \beta_{k+1} = 1$$

$$\therefore (1 - \beta_{k+1})(\alpha_1 x_1 + \dots + \alpha_k x_k) + \beta_{k+1} x_{k+1} \in C \text{ by definition of}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{k+1} \beta_i x_i \in C$$

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$$\text{by induction on } k, \sum_{i=1}^k \theta_i x_i \in C$$

2. Consider all arbitrary solutions of linear equation given by  $C = \{x \mid Ax = b\}$ ,  ~~$x_1, \dots, x_n$~~  that are  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$

$$\text{Then } Ax_1 = b, Ax_2 = b, \dots, Ax_n = b$$

$$A\theta_1 x_1 = \theta_1 b, A\theta_2 x_2 = \theta_2 b, \dots, A\theta_n x_n = \theta_n b \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i = 1, \theta_i \in \mathbb{R} \right)$$

$$\text{Sum of them is } A\theta_1 x_1 + A\theta_2 x_2 + \dots + A\theta_n x_n = \theta_1 b + \theta_2 b + \dots + \theta_n b$$

$$A(\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \dots + \theta_n x_n) = b(\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_n)$$

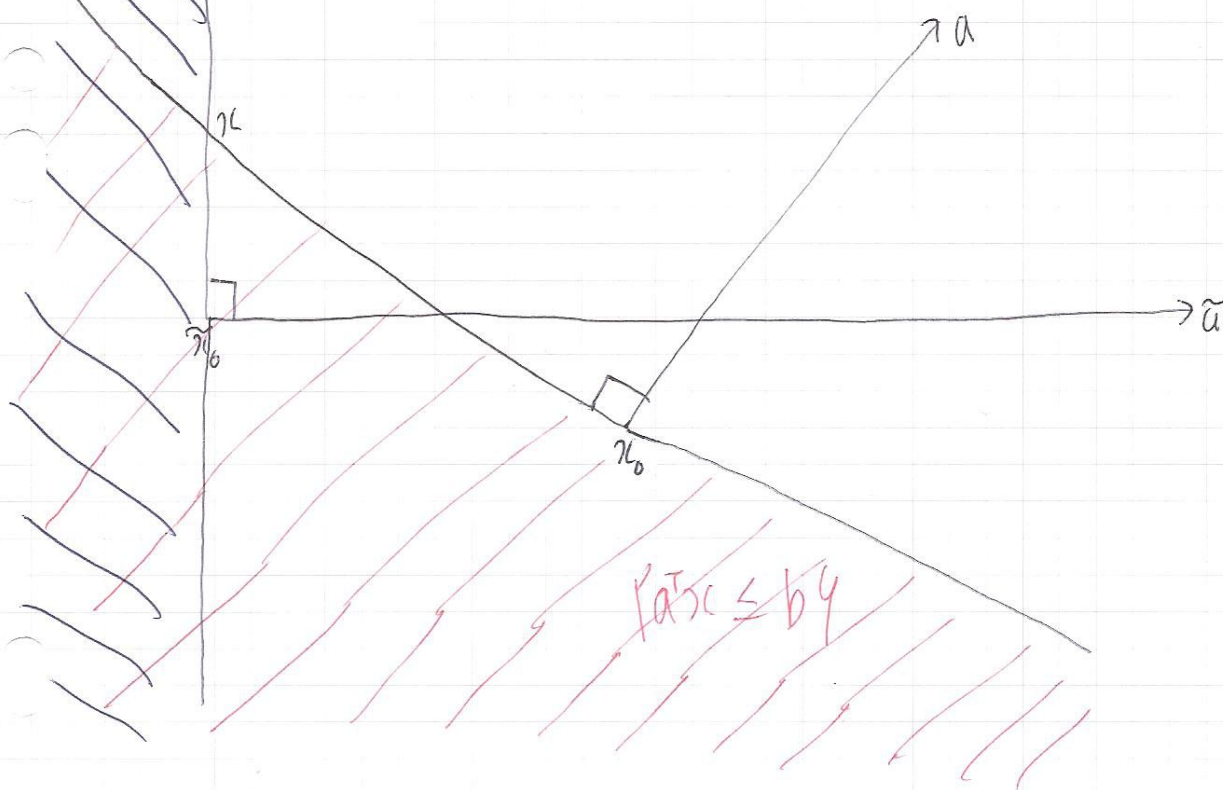
$$A\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i x_i\right) = b \left(\because \sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i = 1\right)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i x_i \text{ is a solution of } C,$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \theta_i x_i \in C \text{ for all } x_1, \dots, x_n \in C$$

$\therefore C$  is a affine set.



3.  ~~$\{x \mid a^T x \leq b\}$~~ 

Let  $b = a^T x_0$ ,  $\tilde{b} = \tilde{a}^T x_0$ , and  $a$  and  $\tilde{a}$  are not parallel.

Then  $\{x \mid a^T x \leq b\} \not\subseteq \{\tilde{a}^T x \leq \tilde{b}\}$  if  $a$  and  $\tilde{a}$  are not parallel.  
 So  $a$  and  $\tilde{a}$  are parallel,  $\therefore x = \theta a$  ( $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\theta \neq 0$ )  
 if  $\theta < 0$ ,  $\{\tilde{a}^T x \leq \tilde{b}\}$

$$= \{\theta a^T x \leq \tilde{b}\}$$

$= \{a^T x \geq \frac{\tilde{b}}{\theta}\}$ , If  $\theta < 0$ ,  $\{\tilde{a}^T x \leq \tilde{b}\}$  is not a halfspace.

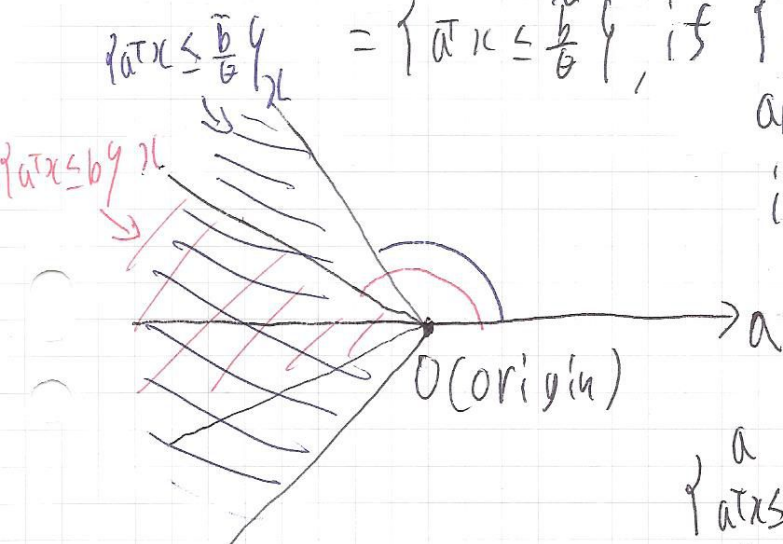
So  $\theta > 0$ .

$$\{\tilde{a}^T x \leq \tilde{b}\} = \{\theta a^T x \leq \tilde{b}\}$$

$$\{a^T x \leq \frac{\tilde{b}}{\theta}\} = \{a^T x \leq \frac{\tilde{b}}{\theta}\}, \text{ if } \{a^T x \leq b\} \subseteq \{a^T x \leq \frac{\tilde{b}}{\theta}\}, \text{ possible}$$

angle between  $x$  and  $a$  in  $\{a^T x \leq b\}$  is larger than possible angle

So between  $x$  and  $a$  in  $\{a^T x \leq \frac{\tilde{b}}{\theta}\}$   
 $a^T x$  is a inner product of  $a$  and  $x$ , so maximum  $a^T x$  in  $\{a^T x \leq b\}$  shouldn't be larger than  $a^T x$  in  $\{a^T x \leq \frac{\tilde{b}}{\theta}\}$ , so,  $b \leq \frac{\tilde{b}}{\theta}$ ,  $\theta b \leq \tilde{b}$



When  $\tilde{a} = \theta a$ ,  $\tilde{b} \geq \theta b$  ( $\theta \in \mathbb{R}, \theta > 0$ ),  $\{x | a^T x \leq b\} \subseteq \{x | \tilde{a}^T x \leq \tilde{b}\}$

When  $\tilde{a} = \theta a$ ,  $\tilde{b} = \theta b$  ( $\theta \in \mathbb{R}, \theta > 0$ )  $\{x | a^T x \leq b\} = \{x | \tilde{a}^T x \leq \tilde{b}\}$

$$4.(a) \|x-a\|_2 \leq \|x-b\|_2$$

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$$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a_i)^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - b_i)^2} \quad (x_i \text{ is } i \text{th element of } x)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a_i)^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - b_i)^2 \quad (a_i \text{ is } i \text{th element of } a)$$

$$(b_i \text{ is } i \text{th element of } b)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i)^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i)^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i)^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n b_i x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n (b_i)^2$$

$$2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n b_i x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i \right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n (b_i)^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i)^2$$

$$2(b^T x - a^T x) \leq b^T b - a^T a$$

$$2(b^T - a^T)x \leq b^T b - a^T a$$

$$(b-a)^T x \leq \frac{b^T b - a^T a}{2}$$

$$(b) \text{ Using (a), } V = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid (x_i - x_0)^T x \leq (x_i^T x_i - x_0^T x_0)/2, i=1, \dots, n\}$$

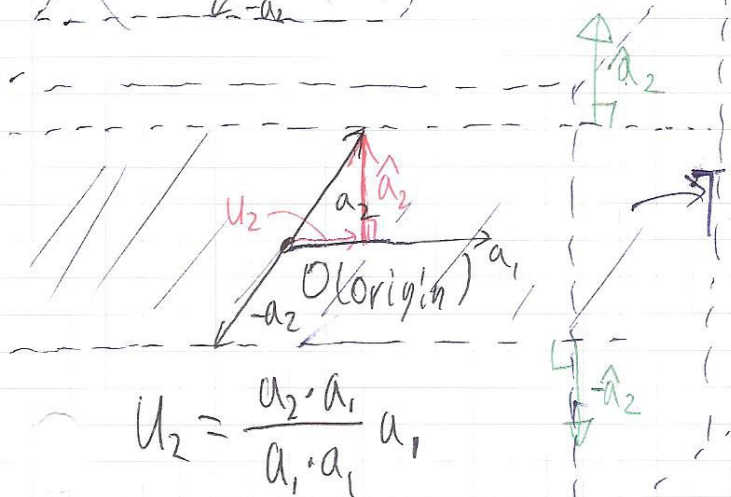
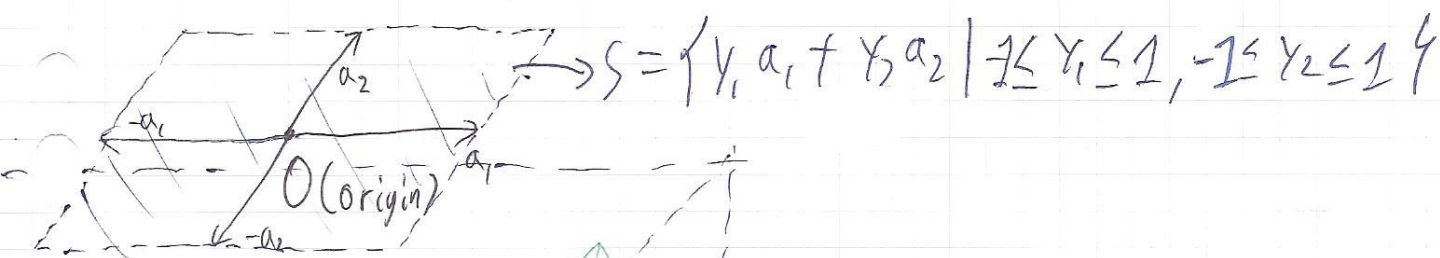
$$V = \left\{ x \mid \begin{bmatrix} x_1 - x_0 \\ x_2 - x_0 \\ \vdots \\ x_n - x_0 \end{bmatrix}^T x \leq \begin{bmatrix} (x_1^T x_1 - x_0^T x_0)/2 \\ (x_2^T x_2 - x_0^T x_0)/2 \\ \vdots \\ (x_n^T x_n - x_0^T x_0)/2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$



5. (a).

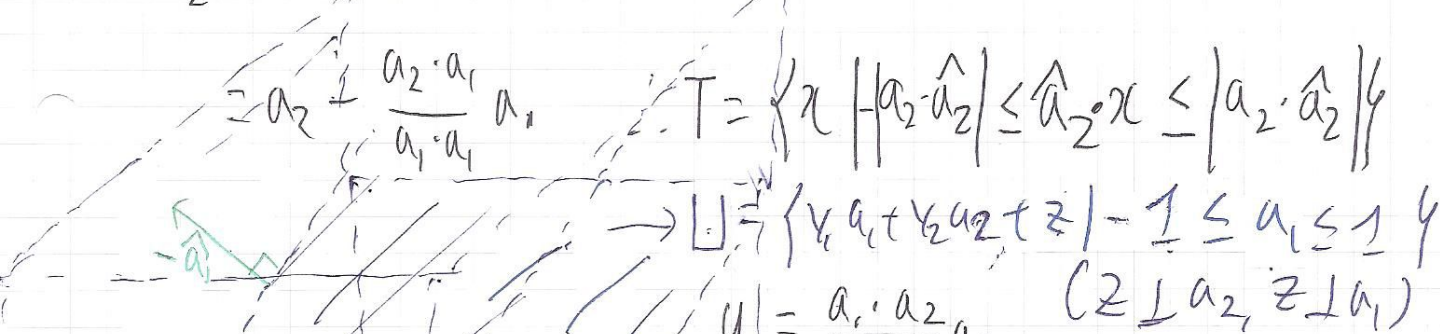
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$$T = \{y_1 a_1 + y_2 a_2 + z \mid -1 \leq y_2 \leq 1, (z \perp a_2, z \perp a_1)\}$$

$$\hat{a}_2 = a_2 - u_2$$



$$u_1 = \frac{a_1 \cdot a_2}{a_2 \cdot a_2} a_2$$

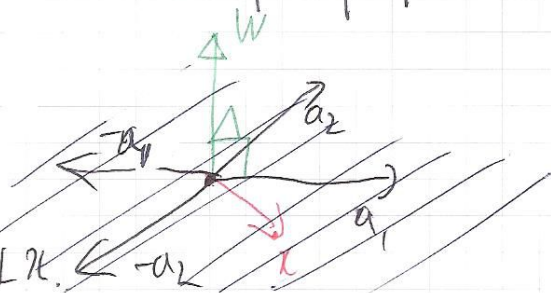
$$\hat{a}_1 = a_1 - u_1 = a_1 - \frac{a_1 \cdot a_2}{a_2 \cdot a_2} a_2$$

$$U = \{x \mid -|a_1 \cdot \hat{a}_1| \leq \hat{a}_1 \cdot x \leq |a_1 \cdot \hat{a}_1|\}$$

$$V = \{y_1 a_1 + y_2 a_2\}$$

$$w \perp a_1, w \perp a_2, w \perp x$$

$$V = \{x \mid w \cdot x = 0\}$$



$$S = T \cup L \cup V$$

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$$T: -|a_2 \cdot \hat{a}_2| \leq \hat{a}_2^T x \leq |a_2 \cdot \hat{a}_2|$$

$$\hat{a}_2^T x \leq |a_2 \cdot \hat{a}_2|$$

$$-\hat{a}_2^T x \leq |a_2 \cdot \hat{a}_2|$$

$$L: -|a_1 \cdot \hat{a}_1| \leq \hat{a}_1^T x \leq |a_1 \cdot \hat{a}_1|$$

$$\hat{a}_1^T x \leq |a_1 \cdot \hat{a}_1|$$

$$-\hat{a}_1^T x \leq |a_1 \cdot \hat{a}_1|$$

$$V: w, x = 0$$

$$S = \left\{ x \begin{bmatrix} \hat{a}_2^T \\ -\hat{a}_2^T \\ \hat{a}_1^T \\ -\hat{a}_1^T \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} |a_2 \cdot \hat{a}_2| \\ |a_2 \cdot \hat{a}_2| \\ |a_1 \cdot \hat{a}_1| \\ |a_1 \cdot \hat{a}_1| \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$w, x = 0$$

5. (b).

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$$I x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot x_1 + 0 \cdot x_2 + \dots + 0 \cdot x_n \\ 0 \cdot x_1 + 1 \cdot x_2 + \dots + 0 \cdot x_n \\ \vdots \\ 0 \cdot x_1 + 0 \cdot x_2 + \dots + 1 \cdot x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = x \geq 0$$

$$\therefore I x \geq 0$$

$$1^T x = [1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1] x = 1.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i a_i = [a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = [a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n] x = b_1$$

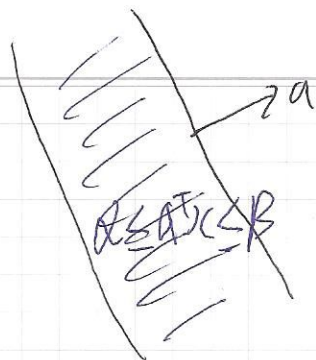
$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i a_i^2 = [a_1^2 \ a_2^2 \ \dots \ a_n^2] \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = [a_1^2 \ a_2^2 \ \dots \ a_n^2] x = b_2.$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} [1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1] \\ [a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n] \\ [a_1^2 \ a_2^2 \ \dots \ a_n^2] \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$S = \left\{ x \mid I x \geq 0, \begin{bmatrix} [1 \ 1 \ \dots \ 1] \\ [a_1 \ a_2 \ \dots \ a_n] \\ [a_1^2 \ a_2^2 \ \dots \ a_n^2] \end{bmatrix} x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ b_1 \\ b_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$



6. (a)



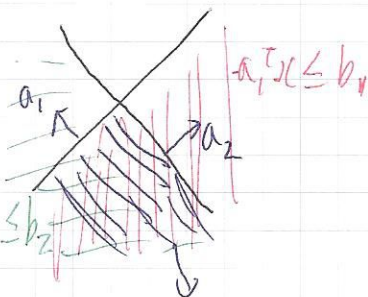
a slab is convex  
 (∵ It's intersection of convex sets)

(b)



a rectangle is convex  
 (∵ It's intersection of convex sets)

(c)



a wedge is convex  
 (∵ It's intersection of convex sets)

$$a_1^T x \leq b_1 \text{ and } a_2^T x \leq b_2.$$

$$(d) \|x - a\|_2 \leq \theta \|x - b\|_2$$

$$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a_i)^2} \leq \theta \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - b_i)^2}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - a_i)^2 \leq \theta^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - b_i)^2$$

$$x^T x - 2a^T x + a^T a \leq \theta^2 x^T x - 2\theta^2 b^T x + \theta^2 b^T b$$

$$(1 - \theta^2) x^T x - 2(a - \theta^2 b)^T x \leq -a^T a + \theta^2 b^T b, \text{ if } 1 - \theta^2 > 0, \theta < 1.$$

$$x^T x - 2 \frac{(a - \theta^2 b)^T}{(1 - \theta^2)} x \leq \frac{-a^T a + \theta^2 b^T b}{1 - \theta^2}$$

$$\text{Let } \frac{a - \theta^2 b}{1 - \theta^2} = x_0, \quad x^T x - 2x_0^T x \leq \frac{-a^T a + \theta^2 b^T b}{1 - \theta^2}$$

$$x^T x - 2x_0^T x + x_0^T x_0 \leq \frac{-a^T a + \theta^2 b^T b}{1 - \theta^2} + x_0^T x_0$$

$$\text{Let } R^2 = \frac{-a^T a + \theta^2 b^T b}{1 - \theta^2} + x_0^T x_0, \quad x^T x - 2x_0^T x + x_0^T x_0 \leq R^2.$$

$$(x - x_0)^T (x - x_0) \leq R^2.$$

→ This is a ball, ball is convex,

if  $\theta = 1$ , then

$$-2(a-b)^T x \leq -a^T a + b^T b$$

$$2(a-b)^T x \leq b^T b - a^T a$$

This is halfspaces, so is convex

$\therefore \{x \mid \|x-a\|_2 \leq \theta \|x-b\|_2\}$  is convex

$$7. \alpha \leq E[f(x)] \leq \beta$$

$$\alpha \leq \sum_{i=1}^n p_i f(a_i) \leq \beta$$

$$\alpha \leq [f(a_1) \ f(a_2) \ \dots \ f(a_n)] p \leq \beta$$

$$\text{Then, } [f(a_1) \ f(a_2) \ \dots \ f(a_n)] p \geq \alpha$$

and

$$[f(a_1) \ f(a_2) \ \dots \ f(a_n)] p \leq \beta$$

$$-[f(a_1) \ f(a_2) \ \dots \ f(a_n)] p \leq -\alpha$$

$$[-f(a_1) \ -f(a_2) \ \dots \ -f(a_n)] p \leq -\alpha$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} -f(a_1) & -f(a_2) & \dots & -f(a_n) \\ f(a_1) & f(a_2) & \dots & f(a_n) \end{bmatrix} p \leq \begin{bmatrix} -\alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}$$