

Lecture #4

Euclidean balls &
Ellipsoids

$$B(\underline{x}_c, r) := \{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|\underline{x} - \underline{x}_c\|_2 \leq r \}$$

convex

$$= \{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_c)^T (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_c) \leq r^2 \}$$

$$= \{ \underline{x}_c + r \underline{u} \mid \underline{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|\underline{u}\|_2 \leq 1 \}$$

Convex
 Σ Ellipsoid:

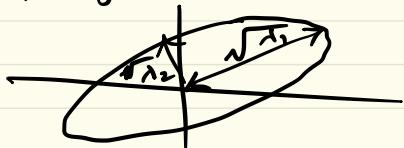
$$\Sigma \left(\frac{\underline{x}_c}{\mathbb{R}^n}, \frac{P}{S_{++}^n} \right) = \{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_c)^T P^{-1} (\underline{x} - \underline{x}_c) \leq 1 \}$$

$$= \{ \underline{x}_c + M \underline{u} \mid \underline{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \|\underline{u}\|_2 \leq 1 \}$$

"P"
 $\|\underline{u}\|_2$

$$\lambda_i = \text{eig}(P)$$

$$\text{semi-axes length} = \sqrt{\lambda_i}$$



$M M = P$

$$P = r^2 I \rightarrow \text{ball } B(\underline{x}_c, r)$$

Polytopes / Polyhedra ($\text{Sol}^{\text{fin}} = \text{set of finite number of linear equations \& linear inequalities}$)

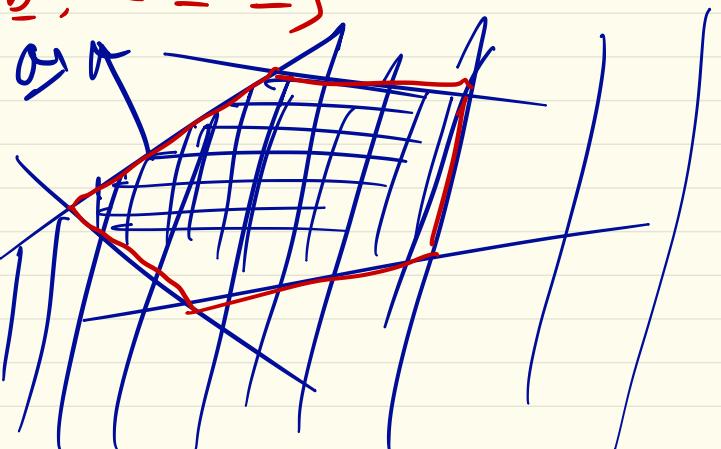
$$P := \left\{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \begin{array}{l} a_j^T \underline{x} \leq b_j, \quad j=1, \dots, m \\ c_j^T \underline{x} = d_j, \quad j=1, \dots, p \end{array} \right\}$$

= Finite intersections of halfspaces & hyperplanes

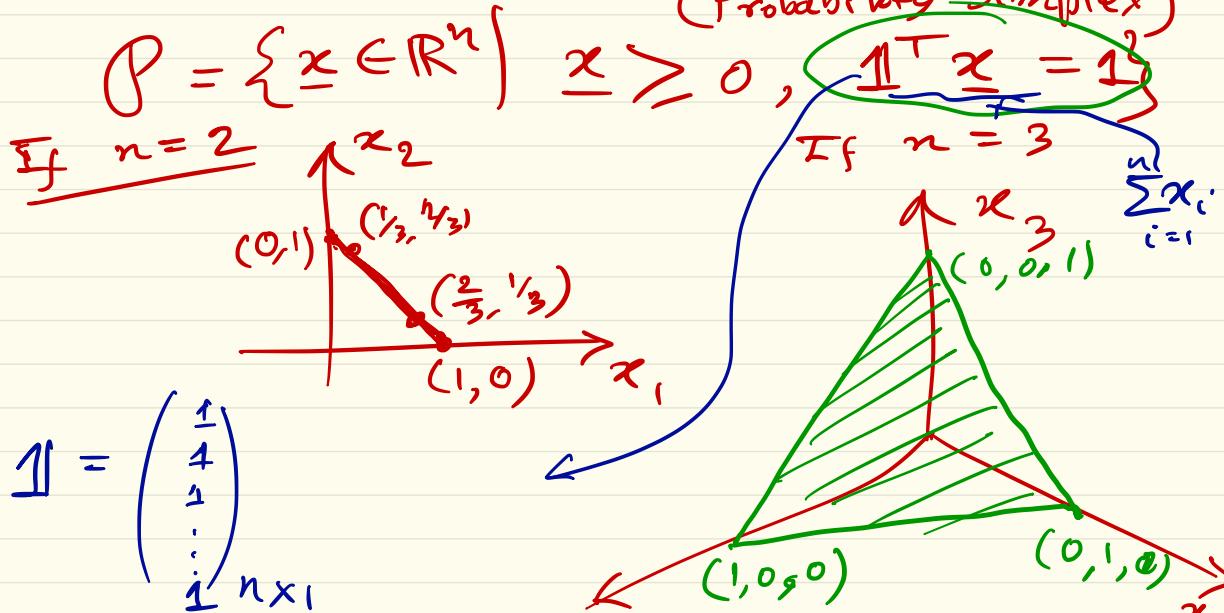
$$= \left\{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid A\underline{x} \leq \underline{b}, \quad \{ \underline{x} = \underline{d} \} \right\}$$

$$A_{m \times n} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1^T \\ a_2^T \\ \vdots \\ a_m^T \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C_{p \times n} = \begin{pmatrix} c_1^T \\ c_2^T \\ \vdots \\ c_p^T \end{pmatrix}$$



Example of Polyhedron: Standard simplex
(Probability simplex)



Alternative Description of Polyhedron:

$$P = \{ \theta_1 v_1 + \theta_2 v_2 + \dots + \theta_k v_k \mid \theta_1 + \dots + \theta_m = 1, \theta_i \geq 0, i=1, \dots, k, m \leq k \}$$

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- = Non-neg. linear combⁿ of \underline{v}_i (vectors)
but only the 1st m coefficients sum to 1.
- = Convex hull of pts $\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_m$
~~& Conic " "~~ $\underline{v}_{m+1}, \dots, \underline{v}_K$.

↳ unit norm ball:

$$\mathcal{C} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid |x_i| \leq 1, i=1, \dots, n\}$$

Intersection of
2n linear inequalities

$$\pm e_i^T x \leq 1$$

Alternatively

$$\mathcal{C} = \text{conv}\left\{\underline{v}_1, \dots, \underline{v}_{2^n}\right\}.$$

Operations preserving set convexity:

① Intersection (Countable OR uncountable)

e.g. $\mathcal{S} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid \left| \sum_{k=1}^m x_k \cos(kt) \right| \leq 1 \text{ for all } -\pi_3 \leq t \leq \pi_3\}$

$$\mathcal{S} = \bigcap_{t: -\pi_3 \leq t \leq \pi_3} \mathcal{S}_t$$

where

$$\mathcal{S}_t := \left\{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid -1 \leq x_1 \cos(t) + x_2 \cos(2t) + \dots + x_m \cos(mt) \leq + \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \bigcap_{-N_3 \leq t \leq N_3} \mathcal{S}_t$$

② Affine Transformation: $A\underline{x} + \underline{b}$

e.g. Projection is convex
 Scaling " "
 Translation "
 Rotation "

any combination of these operations is also convex

③ Cartesian Product of convex is convex

Applic.: set Sum (Minkowski Sum)

$\mathcal{S}_1 + \mathcal{S}_2 = \{ \underline{x} + \underline{y} \mid \underline{x} \in \mathcal{S}_1, \underline{y} \in \mathcal{S}_2 \}$	$\mathcal{S}_1 \times \mathcal{S}_2$
$\underbrace{\text{convex}}$	$\underbrace{\text{convex}}$
$= \{ (\underline{x}, \underline{y}) \mid \begin{cases} \underline{x} \in \mathcal{S}_1 \\ \underline{y} \in \mathcal{S}_2 \end{cases} \}$	

$\delta_1 + \delta_2 = \text{Image of } \delta_1 \times \delta_2$
 under function $f(\underline{x}, \underline{y}) = \underline{x} + \underline{y}$
 $= [I \begin{pmatrix} \underline{x} \\ \underline{y} \end{pmatrix}] \begin{pmatrix} \underline{x} \\ \underline{y} \end{pmatrix}$

Perspective Function:

$$p\left(\frac{\underline{z}}{\underline{t}}, \underline{t}\right) = \underline{z}/\underline{t}$$

$\underline{z} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ $\underline{t} \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n$

$$\underline{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 7 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}$$

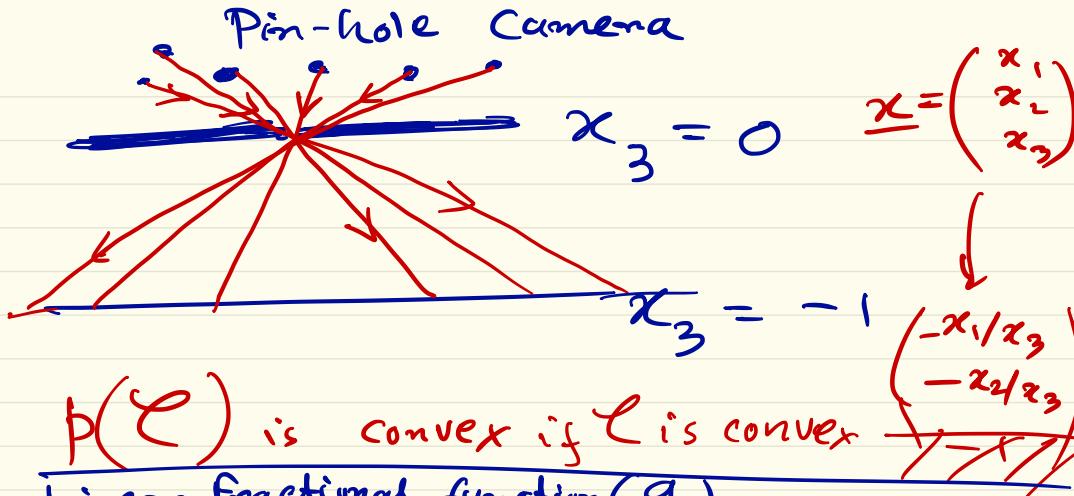
$t = 4$

$$p: \underbrace{\text{dom}(p)}_{\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n} \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}_{>0}^n \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$$

$$p\left(\frac{\underline{z}}{\underline{t}}\right) = p\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \\ 7 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix}\right)$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ -2 \cdot 7/4 \\ 3/4 \end{pmatrix}$$



$p(\mathcal{C})$ is convex if \mathcal{C} is convex

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Linear fractional function (g)

$$= \text{Perspective } f \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \circ \text{Affine function } g : \mathbb{R}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}^{m+1} \mid g(\underline{x}) = \begin{pmatrix} A & b \\ \underline{c}^T & d \end{pmatrix} \underline{x} + \begin{pmatrix} \underline{b} \\ d \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$f(\underline{x}) = \frac{A \underline{x} + \underline{b}}{\underline{c}^T \underline{x} + d}$$

$$\text{dom}(f) = \{ \underline{x} \mid \underline{c}^T \underline{x} + d > 0 \}$$

If $c = 0$ and $d > 0$
then $\text{dom}(f) = \mathbb{R}^n$

Linear fractional fct. preserves convexity.
Affine is spcl. case of linear fractional.

e.g. conditional probability.

u discrete random var. on $\{1, \dots, n\}$
v " " " on $\{1, \dots, m\}$

$$p_{ij} = \text{Joint Probability} = P(u=i, v=j)$$

$$\text{Conditional probability } (f_{ij}) = P(u=i \mid v=j)$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{Linear fractionnd function}} = \frac{p_{ij}}{\sum_{i=1}^n p_{ij}}$$

Cone K is called "proper" if it is

- ① convex
- ② closed
- ③ solid (interior is non-empty)
- ④ pointed (contains no line,
i.e., $\underline{x} \in K$, & $-\underline{x} \in K$)

Any proper cone has

"partial" ordering.

$$\underline{x} = \underline{0}$$

$$\underline{x} \succ_{K} \underline{y} \Leftrightarrow \underline{x} - \underline{y} \in K$$

$$\underline{x} \prec_{K} \underline{y} \Leftrightarrow \underline{y} - \underline{x} \in K$$

$$\underline{x} \succ_{K} \underline{y} \Leftrightarrow \underline{x} - \underline{y} \in \text{int}(K)$$

e.g. ① $K = \mathbb{R}_{+}^n \Leftrightarrow \succeq$ (componentwise vector inequality)

$$\underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}_{+}^n, \quad \underline{x} \succcurlyeq \underline{y}$$

$$(\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}^n)$$

$$\textcircled{2} K := \left\{ \underline{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \underline{c}^T \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ t \\ \vdots \\ t^{n-1} \end{pmatrix} = c_1 + c_2 t + c_3 t^2 + \dots + c_n t^{n-1} \geq 0 \right\}$$

Prove that K is a proper cone.

What does \succeq mean?

$$\underline{c}, \underline{d} \in K \leftarrow$$

$$\underline{c} \succeq_K \underline{d} \Leftrightarrow c_1 + c_2 t + \dots + c_n t^{n-1} \geq d_1 + d_2 t + \dots + d_n t^{n-1}$$

$$\forall t \in [0, 1]$$