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$$x^T (\theta_1 A + \theta_2 B) x$$

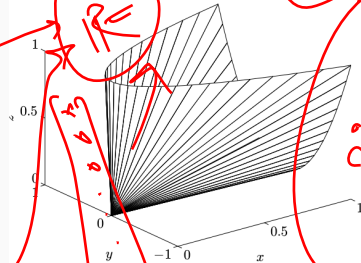
$$= \underbrace{\theta_1 x^T A x}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{\theta_2 x^T B x}_{\geq 0}$$

$$\geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

$$\theta_1 A + \theta_2 B \in S_+^n$$

$$A+B \in S_+^n$$



Scratch Space

$$A \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}$$

$$x^T A x \geq 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \text{eig. val } (A) \geq 0$$

Let $\underbrace{v_1, v_2}_{\text{orthogonal eig. vec of } A}$ be the $\text{eig. vec of } A$

$$\Rightarrow \quad A v_1 = \lambda_1 v_1 \quad \& \quad A v_2 = \lambda_2 v_2 \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} u_1 \\ u^T v = 0 \\ u^T u = 1 \end{array} \right.$$

Claim: $\lambda_1 \geq 0, \lambda_2 \geq 0$

$$\underbrace{v_1^T A v_1}_{\lambda_1} = \lambda_1 v_1^T v_1 = \lambda_1$$

Now A is +ve def.

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{v_1^T A v_1}_{\lambda_1 \geq 0} \geq 0 \Rightarrow v_1 \neq 0 \text{ because } v_1 \text{ is an eig. vec.}$$

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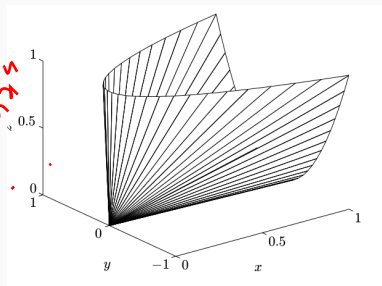
Example of V.S

$$p_n(x) =$$

$$\begin{aligned} u(n) &= a_0 + a_1 x + \dots + a_n x^n \\ v(n) &= b_0 + b_1 x + \dots + b_n x^n \\ &= (a_0 + b_0) + (a_1 + b_1)x + \dots + (a_n + b_n)x^n \end{aligned}$$

$a_i \in \mathbb{R}$

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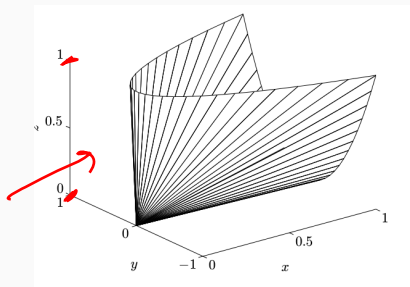
Example: Positive definite cone in \mathbb{R}^2

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ y & z \end{bmatrix} \in S_+^2$$

$$\iff x \geq 0, z \geq 0, xz \geq y^2 \quad (\text{Why?})$$

Handwritten notes:
- \mathbb{R}^2 circled in red.
- "Semi-Pos. Defs." written in red.
- An arrow points from the circled S_+^2 to the text.

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Handwritten red notes:
- $x - 0:1$
- $2:0:1$
- 1000
- $0:1$
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- What are **positive definite cones** in S_+^1, S_+^3 ?

Scratch Space \leftarrow \star

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ y & z \end{bmatrix}$$

Let λ_1, λ_2
be two
eig. values
of X

For X to be Positive definite

$$\text{eig}(X) > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \det(X) = \underbrace{\lambda_1}_{>0} \cdot \underbrace{\lambda_2}_{>0} > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \underbrace{xz - y^2}_{>0}$$

①

② $x > 0$, $z > 0$

\Rightarrow $xz > y^2$
On contrary $\boxed{x < 0}$

$\Rightarrow x > 0$
 $\begin{bmatrix} 1, 0 \\ 0, 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$\begin{bmatrix} x & y \\ y & z \end{bmatrix}$

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$\forall x \neq 0$
 $-x^T A x > 0$
 \uparrow
Semi P.D.
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$\Rightarrow X$ is not P.D.
a contr.

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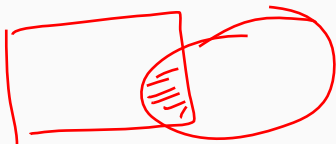
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More generally,

Fact-2: If S_α is **convex** for every $\alpha \in \mathcal{A}$, then $\bigcap_{\alpha \in \mathcal{A}} S_\alpha$ is **convex**

Proof: By induction.

$$(S_1 \cap S_2) \cap S_3$$
$$\subseteq \cap S_3$$

↑ convex

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C is cone if $\forall x \in C, \theta x \in C$, when $\theta \geq 0$
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Let C_1 & C_2 be two cones.

$x_1, x_2 \in C_1 \cap C_2 \Rightarrow x_1, x_2 \in C_1$
& $x_1, x_2 \in C_2$

$\Rightarrow \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 \in C_1$ & $\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 \in C_2$
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$$S_+^n = \{ \text{all } +ve \text{ semi-def }^{n \times n} \text{ matrices} \}$$

$$A, B \in S_+^n \quad \begin{matrix} \nearrow 0 \\ \searrow 1 \end{matrix} \quad \downarrow \quad \begin{matrix} \nearrow 0 \\ \searrow 1 \end{matrix} \quad \begin{matrix} A \\ B \end{matrix} \in S_+^n$$
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Since linear functions are convex, using Fact-1, the arbitrary intersections of linear functions in (1) is convex. Hence proved.

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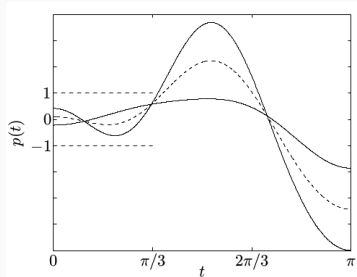
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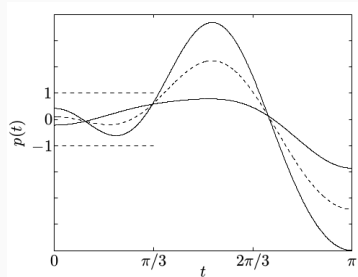
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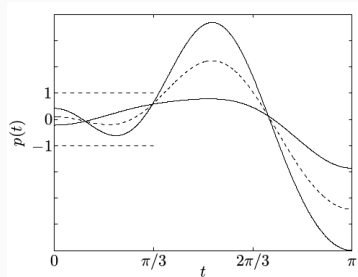
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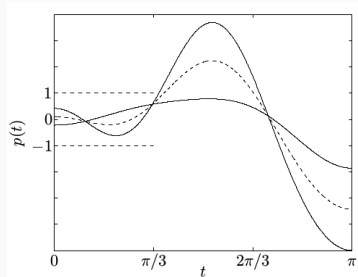
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Hint: Write $p(t)$ as $a^T y$? What would be a and y ?



Fact: Every closed convex set is an intersection of halfspaces

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Fact: If $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is convex and $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ is an affine function. Then the image of S under f is

$$f(S) = \{f(x) \mid x \in S\}$$

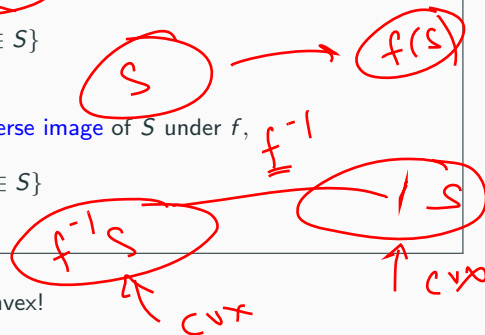
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Similarly, if $f : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is an affine function, then the inverse image of S under f ,

$$f^{-1}S = \{x \mid f(x) \in S\}$$

is convex.

- This fact allows us to prove that variety of sets are convex!



Scratch Space

$$f \text{ affine} \Rightarrow f(\vec{u}) = A\vec{u} + b$$

$$\Rightarrow A(\theta s_1 + (1-\theta)s_2) + b = \theta As_1 + (1-\theta)As_2 + b = \theta(As_1 + b) + (1-\theta)(As_2 + b) = \theta f(s_1) + (1-\theta)f(s_2)$$

Since S is convex f
 $s_1, s_2 \in S$

S convex, f affine $\Rightarrow f(S)$ convex

$$f(S) = \{f(s) \mid s \in S\} \Rightarrow \underline{y} \in f(S) \Rightarrow f(\underline{y}) \in f(S)$$

Claim $f(S)$ is convex

Let $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in f(S) \Rightarrow \exists s_1, s_2 \in S$ s.t. $\underline{f(s_1)} = \underline{x_1}$
 and $\underline{f(s_2)} = \underline{x_2}$

Claim $\theta \underline{x_1} + (1-\theta)\underline{x_2} \in f(S)$

$$\begin{aligned} &\theta f(s_1) + (1-\theta)f(s_2) \xRightarrow{f \text{ affine}} f(\theta s_1) + f((1-\theta)s_2) \\ &\xRightarrow{f \text{ affine}} f(\theta s_1 + (1-\theta)s_2) = f(\underline{y}) \end{aligned}$$

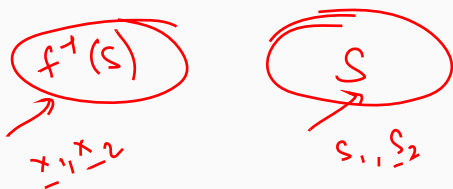
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$$\text{Ax+b} \quad \text{f affine} \Rightarrow f^{-1} \text{ affine}$$

S convex $\Rightarrow f^{-1}(S)$ is cvx Given that f is affine.
 \xrightarrow{f} Let $x_1, x_2 \in f^{-1}(S)$ we have to prove that $\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \in f^{-1}(S)$
 \searrow $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$



For $\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \in f^{-1}(S)$
 I must find $\boxed{z} \in S$ s.t.
 $f^{-1}(z) = \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2$

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$$\begin{aligned} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 &= \theta f^{-1}(s_1) + (1-\theta) f^{-1}(s_2) \\ &= f^{-1}(\theta s_1 + (1-\theta)s_2) \in f^{-1}(S) \end{aligned}$$

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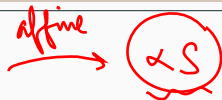
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(Projection) Consider the projection of a convex set onto some of its coordinates

$$T = \{x_1 \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid (x_1, x_2) \in S \text{ for some } x_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$$

Is T convex?

Quiz: Can you guess an affine map $f : S \rightarrow T$?

$$S \xrightarrow{\text{Proj} \equiv \text{affine}} \underline{f(S)} = \begin{bmatrix} I_m & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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Consider the **affine** function

$$f: X \rightarrow Y$$

$$f(x) = (b - Ax, d - Cx) \in Y \Rightarrow \begin{cases} b - Ax \geq 0 \\ d - Cx = 0 \end{cases}$$

Check

$$f^{-1}(Y) = P ?$$

$$f^{-1}(Y) = \{x \in X \mid f(x) \in Y\}$$

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Note: Inverse image of a convex set under affine map is convex!

Analysis: Infimum and Supremum

$$\sup(S) = 11$$

$$\inf(S) = 10$$

$$S = \left\{ 10 + \frac{1}{n} \mid n \in \mathbb{N} \right\}$$

$$\left\{ 11, 10 + \frac{1}{2}, 10 + \frac{1}{3}, \dots \right\}$$

Supremum: Let S be a set of real numbers. If there is a real number b such that $x \leq b$ for every $x \in S$, then b is called an upper bound for S and we say that S is bounded above by b .

- We say an upper bound, because any number greater than b will be an upper bound
- If b is also an element of S , then it is called maximum element of S
- A set with no upper bound is called unbounded above
- Supremum of set $\sup(S)$ = least of all upper bounds

$$10 + (-1)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} = 10 - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\left\{ 10 + (-1)^n \cdot \frac{1}{n} \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ 10 + (-1)^1 \cdot \frac{1}{1}, 10 + (-1)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{2}, 10 + (-1)^3 \cdot \frac{1}{3}, \dots \right\}$$

$$9 = \inf = \sup \left\{ 9, \left(10 + \frac{1}{2} \right), \dots, 10 - \frac{1}{3}, \left(10 + \frac{1}{4} \right), 10 - \frac{1}{4}, \dots \right\}$$

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Infimum: Let S be a set of real numbers. If there is a real number b such that $x \geq b$ for every $x \in S$, then b is called a lower bound for S and we say that S is bounded below by b .

- We say an lower bound, because any number less than b will be an lower bound
- If b is also an element of S , then it is called minimum element of S
- A set with no lower bound is called unbounded below
- Infimum of set: $\inf(S)$ = greatest of all lower bounds

$S = (0, 1) = \{x \mid 0 < x < 1\}$

$0 = \inf$
 $1 = \sup$