

* Until now... and next steps.

I. Abstract Choice (\mathbb{R} , U and $C(\cdot)$)

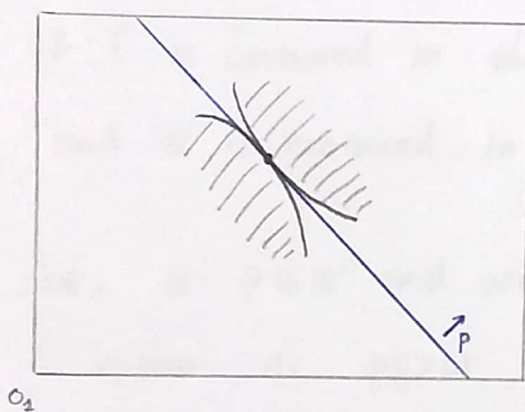
II. Consumer Demand

III. Choice under uncertainty → In the future...

IV. Producer theory → "

Main topics.

Today: Chap. 17. Separating hyperplanes (continue)



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→ P separates two hyperplanes
 \uparrow
 convex set

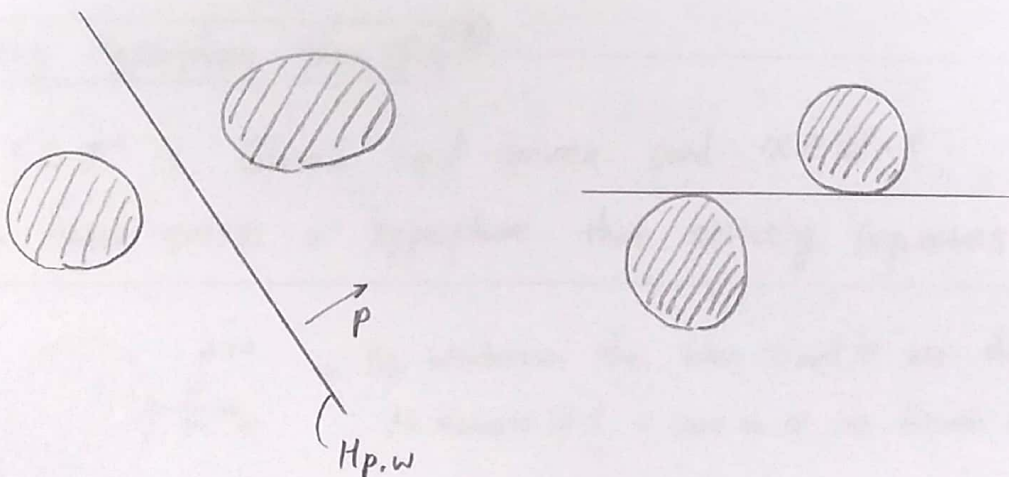
Weak separation

Separating hyperplane thm (I)

If we have two disjoint convex sets $X, Y \subset \mathbb{R}^k$,

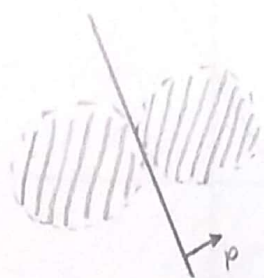
then \exists a hyperplane that "separates" X and Y ,

i.e., a vector $p \in \mathbb{R}^k$ and a real number w s.t. $\begin{cases} px \leq w, & \forall x \in X \\ py \geq w, & \forall y \in Y \end{cases}$



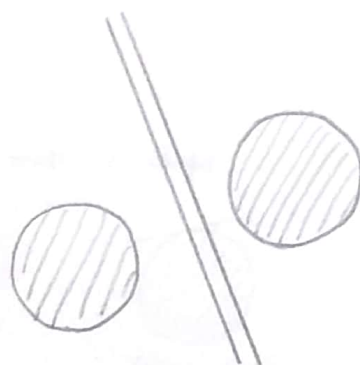
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 If \exists a ϵ gap,
 this will be a
 strict separation.

Think of "open convex sets"



No intersection.

Strictly separated.
but NO gap b/w them



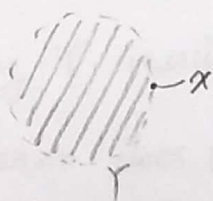
Strictly separated
 \Rightarrow a gap b/w them

(Def) A hyperplane H in \mathbb{R}^k strictly separates a set $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ from a point $x \in \mathbb{R}^k$ if Y is contained in the open half space on one side of H and x is contained in the open half space on the other side of H .

i.e., $\exists p \in \mathbb{R}^k$ and $w \in \mathbb{R}$ s.t

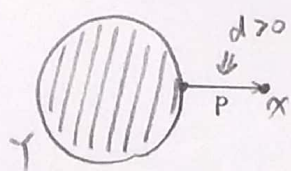
either (1) $py > w, \forall y \in Y$ and $px < w$

or (2) $py < w, \forall y \in Y$ and $px > w$



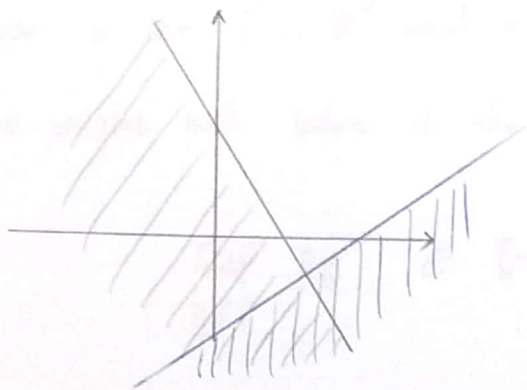
Separating Hyperplane thm (I) (*)

If $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ is Closed and convex and $x \in \mathbb{R}^k \setminus Y$,
then there exists a hyperplane that strictly separates Y and x .



\Rightarrow By Weierstrass thm, when Y and x are disjoint (\Rightarrow a gap)
All elements in Y is close to x , \Rightarrow distance b/w Y and x is positive.
(compact, convex.)

In \mathbb{R}^2 ,



→ Cut!

We can make a shape.



4 cuts

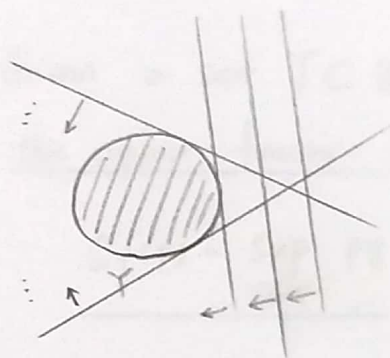


Infinite cuts

→ But, we cannot make a pack-man  by cut.

(prop 17.1)

Every closed, convex $Y \subseteq \mathbb{R}^k$ consists of the intersection of all of the closed half-spaces containing Y .



Intuitively.

proof) $\exists x \in \mathbb{R}^k \setminus Y$. So \exists a closed half-spaces containing Y by ^(*) separating hyperplane theorem. Of course the intersection of all of the closed half-spaces containing Y itself contains Y .

WTS: this intersection does not contain any point z outside Y .

Consider $z \in \mathbb{R}^k \setminus Y$. Our ^(*) separating hyperplane theorem implies

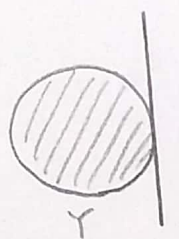
there exists H that strictly separate Y and z . Thus \exists a closed half-space that contains Y but not z . Therefore, z is not in the intersection.



Given a set $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ and a "price vector" $p \in \mathbb{R}^k$,

one might ask what is the smallest W such that everything in Y is affordable.

$$\sup_{y \in Y} py \in [-\infty, +\infty]$$




← chosen! → support function of Y ; $S_Y(p) = \sup_{y \in Y} py$

Def Given a set $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^k$,

the support function of Y , $S_Y : \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty]$ is defined as

$$S_Y(p) = \sup_{y \in Y} py$$

ex) $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{EMP} \rightarrow \text{almost support fn.} \\ \text{profit fn.} \\ \text{production possibility set} \end{array} \right. \leftarrow p \in \mathbb{R}^k$

 we can know her utility fn from EX fn.

Corollary (a) If $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^k$ is closed and convex,

$$\text{then } Y = \bigcap_{p \in \mathbb{R}^k} \{x \in \mathbb{R}^k : px \leq S_Y(p)\}$$

(b) If X and Y are both closed, convex subsets of \mathbb{R}^k ,
then $S_X = S_Y \Leftrightarrow X = Y$.

For next class.
We will cover it.

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