

# Moore “Affine” Notions

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The extended reals are denoted as  $[-\infty, +\infty] = \mathbb{R} \cup \{\pm\infty\}$ .

Notation: Suppose for  $\alpha \in A$  we are given  $S_\alpha \subset X$ , i.e., we have a function  $f : A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(X)$  where  $\alpha \mapsto S_\alpha$ .

$$\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha = \{x \in X : x \in S_\alpha \text{ for at least one } \alpha \in A\}$$

$$\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha = \{x \in X : x \in S_\alpha \text{ for all } \alpha \in A\}$$

If  $A \neq \emptyset$ , then  $\bigcup_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha \neq \emptyset$  and  $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha = X$ . **Is that right?**

Let  $V, W$  be vector spaces over  $F$ , a field where  $1 + 1 \neq 0$ . We will study functions  $T : V \rightarrow W$ .

Graph  $T = \{(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) \in V \times W : \vec{w} = T(\vec{v})\} = \{(\vec{v}, T(\vec{v})) \in V \times W : \vec{v} \in V\}$ . Note that  $V \times W$  is a vector space:  $(\vec{v}_1, \vec{w}_1) + (\vec{v}_2, \vec{w}_2) = (\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2, \vec{w}_1 + \vec{w}_2)$  and  $t(\vec{v}, \vec{w}) = (t\vec{v}, t\vec{w})$ .

The “simplest”  $T$ ’s are those with flat graphs, i.e., a graph that is an affine subset of  $V \times W$ .

**Defn:** A function  $T$  is affine if and only if its graph is affine.

Special Case:  $T(\vec{0}) = \vec{0}$ , or equivalently,  $(\vec{0}, \vec{0}) \in \text{Graph } T$ .

Then  $T$  is affine  $\leftrightarrow$  Graph  $T$  is a linear subspace of  $V \times W$ .

$\leftrightarrow \vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2 \in V, t \in F$  implies that  $T(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) = T(\vec{v}_1) + T(\vec{v}_2)$ , and  $tT(\vec{v}_1) = T(t\vec{v}_1)$ .  
 $\leftrightarrow T$  is linear.

General Case:  $T : V \rightarrow W$  is affine  $\leftrightarrow$  Graph  $T$  is affine.

$\leftrightarrow$  Graph  $T - (\vec{0}, T(\vec{0}))$  is a linear subspace.

Note that Graph  $T - (\vec{0}, T(\vec{0})) = \{(\vec{v}, T(\vec{v}) - T(\vec{0})) : \vec{v} \in V\}$ .

$\leftrightarrow L$  is linear. **What was  $L$ ?**

$\leftrightarrow T$  is of the form  $T(\vec{v}) = \tilde{T}(\vec{v}) + \vec{b}$  with  $\tilde{T}$  linear.

As an exercise, prove that  $\tilde{T}$  is uniquely determined by  $T$ .