

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

$\leftrightarrow L$ 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 .