following results hold. (i) $U \sim V = \bigcap_{v \in V} (U - \{v\})$. (ii) $(U \sim V) +$ $V \subset U$. (iii) $0 \in V$ implies $U \sim V \subset U$. (iv) $U = \{\bar{u}\} + \alpha \bar{U}, V = \{\bar{v}\} + \alpha \bar{U}$ $\alpha \bar{V}$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ implies $U \sim V = \{\bar{u} - \bar{v}\} + \alpha(\bar{U} \sim \bar{V})$. (v) $V = V_1 + V_2$ implies $U \sim V = (U \sim V_1) \sim V_2 = (U \sim V_2) \sim V_1$. (vi) $U = U_1 \cap U_2$ implies $U \sim V = (U_1 \sim V) \cap (U_2 \sim V)$. (vii) $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ implies $U \sim V = (U \sim V_1) \cap (U \sim V_2)$. (viii) If $G \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ has rank n, then $GU \sim GV = G(U \sim V)$. (ix) If U, V are symmetric, $U \sim V$ is symmetric. (x) If U is (bounded) [closed] {convex}, $U \sim V$ is (bounded) [closed] {convex}. (xi) If U, V are symmetric and convex, then

 $0 \in u \sim V$. (xii) If U is convex, then $U \sim V = U \sim coV$. (xiii) $V = co\{v_i, i = 1, ..., N\}$ implies $U \sim V = \bigcap_{i=1,...,N} (U \sim \{v_i\})$. (xiv) If V is

compact, then $U \sim V = U \sim exV$.

THEOREM 2.1 Let $U, V \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and assume that $U \sim V \neq \emptyset$. Then the