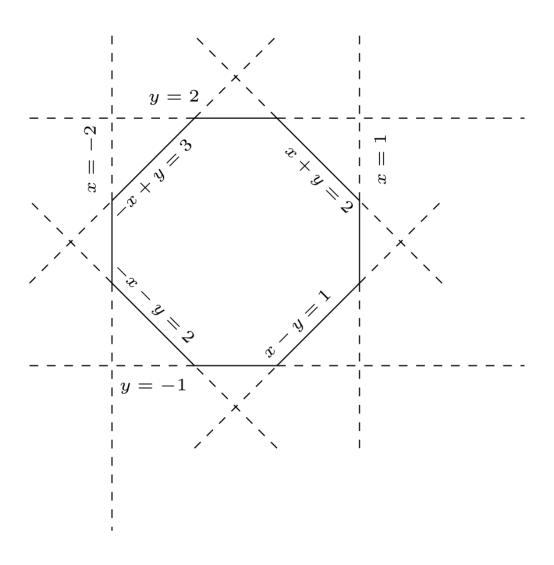
## Octagons

Let L be the set of Octagonal inequalities between n variables, then an octagon is conjunction of all the inequalities in set L



## **Encoding of Octagons**

- Each octagonal inequality can be encoded as an element of a matrix m
- ► Each variable  $v_i$  is unfolded into  $v_{2i}' = v_i^+$  and  $v_{2i+1}' = v_i^-$
- $m_{i,j} = c$  represents  $v'_j v'_i \le c$
- $v_i + v_j \le c$  can be represented as:

$$\begin{aligned} v_j^+ - v_i^- &\leq c \text{ and} \\ v_i^+ - v_j^- &\leq c \end{aligned}$$

