

- There are two ways to express a set:

- Implicit (Quantification)
- Explicit (Enumeration)

- A convex set can be written as:

- $\{x \mid Ax \leq b\}$... Quantification
- $\{\sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i u_i \mid \sum \alpha_i = 1, \alpha_i \geq 0, \forall i=1 \dots k\}$... Enumeration

- Example:

Quantification

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 &\leq 2 \\ x_1 &\leq 1 \\ -x_1 &\leq 1 \\ -x_2 &\leq 1 \end{aligned}$$

Enumeration

$$\begin{aligned} S = \{ &\theta_1 u_1 + \theta_2 u_2 + \theta_3 u_3 + \theta_4 u_4, \\ &\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \theta_3 + \theta_4 = 1, \\ &\theta_i \geq 0, i=1, \dots, 4 \} \end{aligned}$$

- Operation that preserves convex set

1. Intersection of convex sets \rightarrow convex set

2. Perspective of convex set \rightarrow convex set
mapping from high-d to low-d

<fact> Given $\begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ \vdots \\ z_k \end{bmatrix} \in \text{convex set } S$, then

$$\left\{ \begin{bmatrix} \frac{z_1}{t} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{z_k}{t} \end{bmatrix} \mid \begin{bmatrix} z \\ t \end{bmatrix} \in S \right\} \text{ is convex}$$

<proof>

$$(z_1, t_1), (z_2, t_2) \in S \Rightarrow \left(\frac{z_1}{t_1}, \frac{z_2}{t_2} \right)$$

$$\text{if } \alpha(z_1, t_1) + \beta(z_2, t_2) \in S$$

$$= (\alpha z_1 + \beta z_2, \alpha t_1 + \beta t_2), \forall \alpha + \beta = 1, \alpha, \beta \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha z_1 + \beta z_2}{\alpha t_1 + \beta t_2} = \frac{\alpha z_1}{\alpha t_1 + \beta t_2} + \frac{\beta z_2}{\alpha t_1 + \beta t_2} = \underbrace{\frac{\alpha t_1}{\alpha t_1 + \beta t_2}}_{\beta'} \cdot \frac{z_1}{t_1} + \underbrace{\frac{\beta t_2}{\alpha t_1 + \beta t_2}}_{\beta'} \cdot \frac{z_2}{t_2}$$

