

Let $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$

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① if we let \underline{x} to be $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, assume $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$[\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2]^2 + [\theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2]^2$$

$$= \theta^2 x_1^2 + 2\theta(1-\theta) x_1 x_2 + (1-\theta)^2 x_2^2$$

$$+ \theta^2 y_1^2 + 2\theta(1-\theta) y_1 y_2 + (1-\theta)^2 y_2^2$$

$$= \theta^2 (x_1^2 + y_1^2) + (1-\theta)^2 (x_2^2 + y_2^2) + 2\theta(1-\theta) (x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2)$$

$$(\because x_1 x_2 + y_1 y_2 = \underline{x}_1^T \underline{x}_2 \leq 4)$$

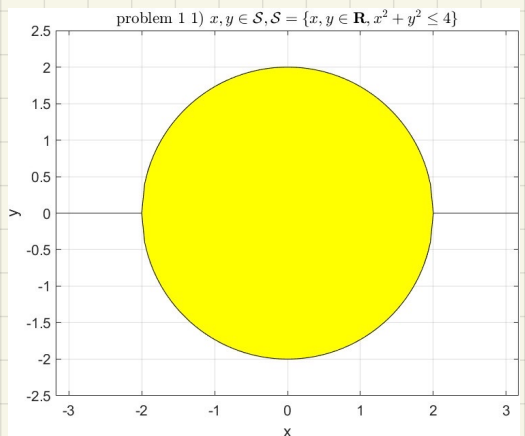
$$\leq \theta^2 \cdot 4 + (1-\theta)^2 \cdot 4 + 2\theta(1-\theta) \cdot 4$$

$$= 4 [\theta^2 + 2\theta(1-\theta) + (1-\theta)^2] = 4 [\theta + (1-\theta)]^2 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \|\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2\|_2^2 \leq 4 \Rightarrow \theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 \in S$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set

from the figure it's indeed
a convex set.



② if we let $\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$, $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

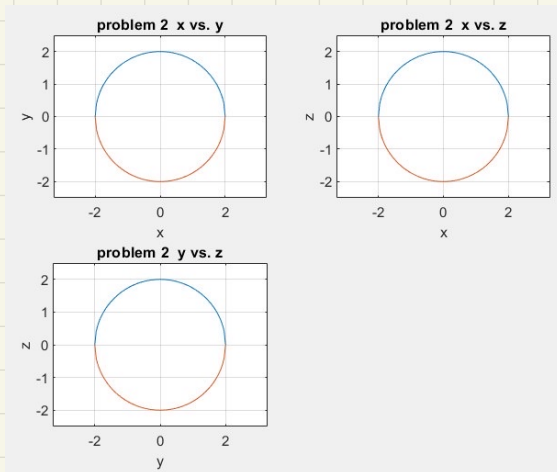
$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \\ \theta z_1 + (1-\theta) z_2 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then}$$

counterexample: let $\underline{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\theta = 0.5$

$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ then}$$

$$\| \theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 \|_2^2 = \sqrt{1^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{2} \neq 4$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is not a convex set



I split the view into 3 perspectives, we can see that randomly pick two points and their convex combination that $0 < \theta < 1$ is not in the original set

③ if we let \underline{x} to be $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, assume $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(1) \quad \theta, (1-\theta), x_1, x_2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \geq 0$$

$$(2) \quad \theta, (1-\theta), y_1, y_2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \geq 0$$

$$(3) \quad \geq [\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2] + 4 [\theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2]$$

$$= \theta (2x_1 + 4y_1) + (1-\theta) (2x_2 + 4y_2)$$

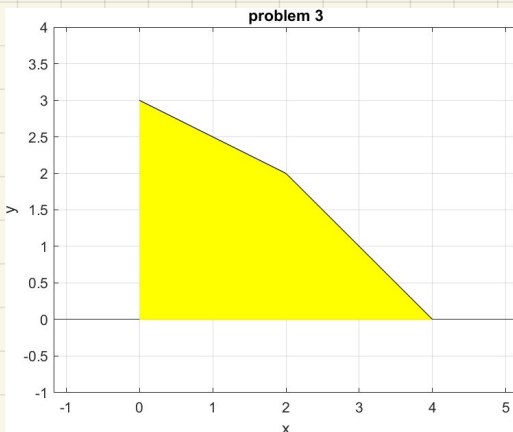
$$\leq \theta \cdot 12 + (1-\theta) \cdot 12 = 12$$

$$(4) \quad [\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2] + [\theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2]$$

$$= \theta (x_1 + y_1) + (1-\theta) (x_2 + y_2)$$

$$\leq \theta \cdot 4 + (1-\theta) \cdot 4 = 4$$

$\Rightarrow \theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 \in S \Rightarrow S$ is a convex set



← from this figure we know that it's indeed a convex set.

④ if we let \underline{x} to be $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, assume $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad & \theta y_1^2 + (1-\theta) y_2^2 - (\theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2)^2 \\ &= \theta y_1^2 + (1-\theta) y_2^2 - \theta^2 y_1^2 - 2\theta(1-\theta) y_1 y_2 + (1-\theta)^2 y_2^2 \\ &= \theta(1-\theta) y_1^2 + (1-\theta)\theta y_2^2 + 2\theta(1-\theta) y_1 y_2 \\ &= \theta(1-\theta) (y_1 - y_2)^2 \geq 0 \\ & \left(\sqrt{\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2} \right)^2 = \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \geq \theta y_1^2 + (1-\theta) y_2^2 \\ & \geq (\theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2} \geq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2$$

$$(2) \quad \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \leq \theta \cdot 2 + (1-\theta) \cdot 2 = 2$$

$$(3) \quad \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \geq \theta \cdot 0 + (1-\theta) \cdot 0 = 0$$

$$\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \leq \theta \cdot 4 + (1-\theta) \cdot 4 = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 \in S \Rightarrow S \text{ is a convex set}$$



\Leftarrow it's indeed a convex set.

⑤ if we let \underline{x} to be $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, assume $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

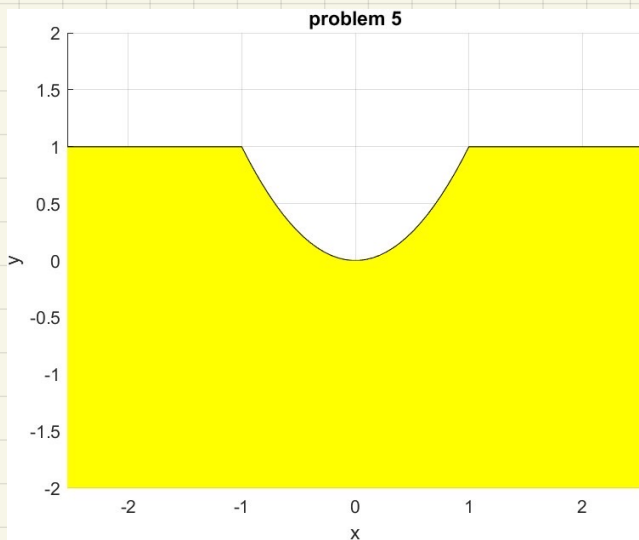
$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

Counterexample: let $\underline{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$, $\underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{let } \theta = 0.5, \quad \theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

but $(0.5)^2 < 0.5$ violate $x^2 \geq y$

$\Rightarrow S$ is not a convex set



We can clearly see there's a concave region

so it's not a convex set.

⑥ if we let \underline{x} to be $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, assume $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

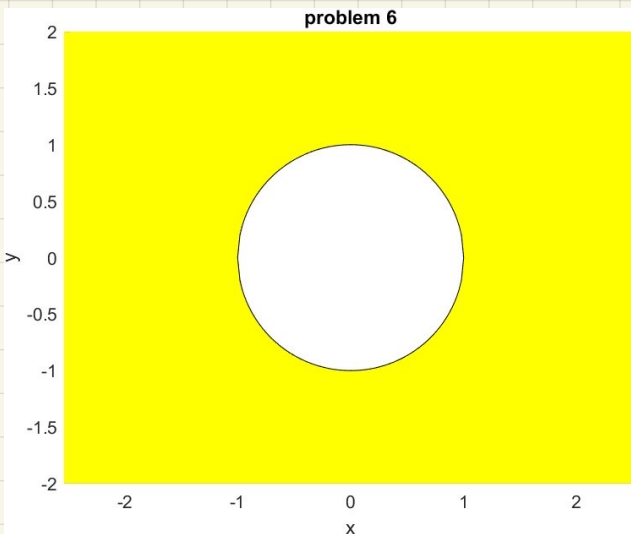
$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

Counterexample: let $\underline{x}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$, $\underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$$\text{let } \theta = 0.5, \quad \theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5 \\ 0.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{but } (0.5)^2 < 1 - (0.5)^2$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is not a convex set



it's clearly that it's not a convex set

⑦ if we let \underline{x} to be $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, assume $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

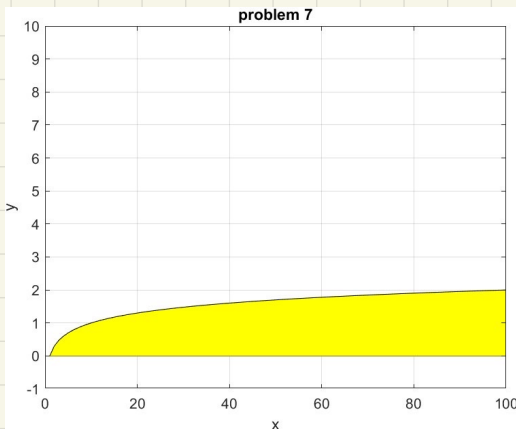
$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 &\geq \theta 10^{y_1} + (1-\theta) 10^{y_2} \\ &\geq 10^{\theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2} \quad (\text{according to Jensen's ineq.}) \end{aligned}$$

$$(2) \quad \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \geq \theta \cdot 1 + (1-\theta) \cdot 1 = 1$$

$$(3) \quad \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \leq \theta 100 + (1-\theta) 100 = 100$$

$$(4) \quad \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \geq \theta 0 + (1-\theta) 0 = 0$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set

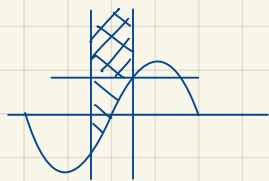


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I didn't draw the part $y \leq 100$, but since it's a
affine set, so we know that it's still a convex set.

⑧ if we let \underline{x} to be $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, assume $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \end{bmatrix},$$



$$\Rightarrow S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, y \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}\}$$

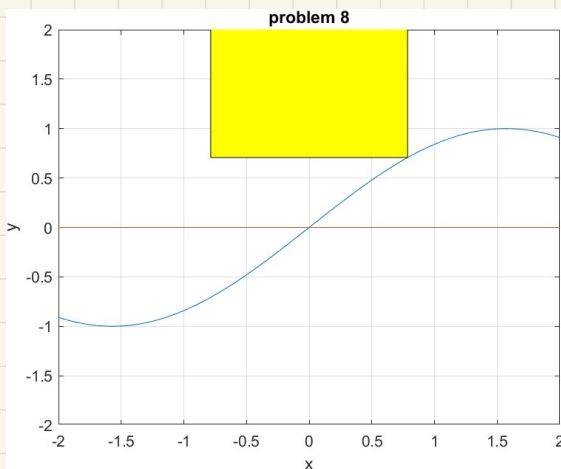
$$(1) \quad \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \geq \theta \cdot \frac{-\pi}{4} + (1-\theta) \cdot \frac{-\pi}{4} = \frac{-\pi}{4}$$

$$(2) \quad \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \leq \theta \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} + (1-\theta) \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$(3) \quad \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \geq \theta \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + (1-\theta) \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

intersection of convex sets is still a convex set

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set



Obviously it's a convex set.

⑨ if we let \underline{x} to be $\begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$, assume $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

$$\theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$S = \{ x, y \in \mathbb{R} \mid y \geq x, y \geq -x, y \leq -x+5, y \leq x+5 \}$$

$$(1) \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \geq \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2$$

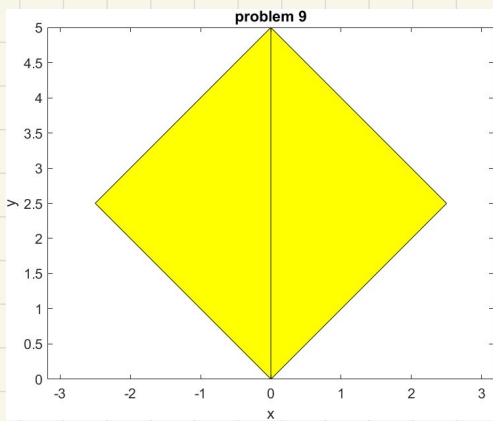
$$(2) \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \geq \theta(-x_1) + (1-\theta)(-x_2) \\ = -(\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2)$$

$$(3) \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \geq \theta(-x_1+5) + (1-\theta)(-x_2+5) \\ = -(\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2) + 5$$

$$(4) \theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2 \geq \theta(x_1+5) + (1-\theta)(x_2+5) \\ = (\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2) + 5$$

intersection of convex sets is still a convex set

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set



↳ it's enclosed by four straight lines so it's obvious that it's a convex set

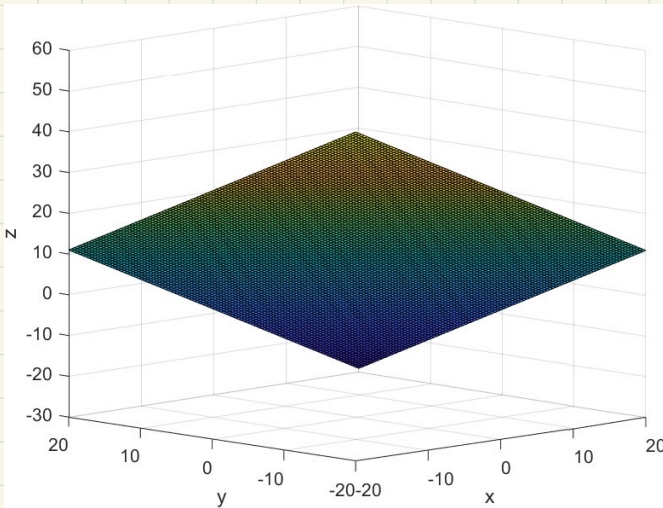
⑩ if we let $\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix}$, $\underline{x}_1, \underline{x}_2 \in S$

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$$(\theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2) + (\theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2)$$

$$= \theta(11 - z_1) + (1-\theta)(11 - z_2) = 11 - (\theta z_1 + (1-\theta) z_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta \underline{x}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{x}_2 \in S \Rightarrow S \text{ is a convex set}$$



it's a plane in \mathbb{R}^3 so it's a convex set