

Please determine **analytically** (i.e. handwritten proof) and by **graphing in Matlab** the convexity of the following sets:

- ✓ 1) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 + y^2 \leq 4\}$
- ✗ 2) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4\}$
- ✓ 3) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0, y \geq 0, 2x + 4y \leq 12, x + y \leq 4\}$
- ✓ 4) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \sqrt{x} \geq y, y \leq 2, 0 \leq x \leq 4\}$
- ✗ 5) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq y, y \leq 1\}$
- ✗ 6) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq 1 - y^2\}$
- ✓ 7) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \log_{10} x \geq y, x \geq 1, y \leq 100, y \geq 0\}$
- ✓ 8) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \sin(x) \leq y, y \geq \sqrt{2}/2, -\pi/4 \leq x \leq \pi/4\}$
- ✓ 9) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, |x| \leq y, -|x| + 5 \geq y\}$
- ✓ 10) $x, y, z \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x + y = 11 - z\}$

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad x, y \in S, S &= \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 + y^2 \leq 4\} \\ &= \left\{ \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mid \|\underline{v}\|_2^2 \leq 4 \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid \|\underline{v}\|_2 \leq 2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Let $\underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2 \in S$, then $\|\underline{v}_1\|_2 \leq 2, \|\underline{v}_2\|_2 \leq 2, \theta \in [0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \|\theta \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{v}_2\|_2 &\leq \|\theta \underline{v}_1\|_2 + \|(1-\theta) \underline{v}_2\|_2 \quad (\text{Triangle inequality}) \\ &= \theta \|\underline{v}_1\|_2 + (1-\theta) \|\underline{v}_2\|_2 \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{v}_2 \in S \quad \text{for } \theta \in [0, 1]$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set

$$\begin{aligned} (2) \quad x, y, z \in S, S &= \{x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 + y^2 + z^2 = 4\} \\ &= \left\{ \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \mid \|\underline{v}\|_2^2 = 4 \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid \|\underline{v}\|_2 = 2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Counterexample: $\underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \|\underline{v}_1\|_2 = 2, \|\underline{v}_2\|_2 = 2$

$$\underline{v}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \underline{v}_1 + \frac{1}{2} \underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \|\underline{v}_3\|_2 = \sqrt{2} \notin S$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is not a convex set

$$(3) \ x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x \geq 0, y \geq 0, 2x + 4y \leq 12, x + y \leq 4\}$$

$$= \left\{ \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mid \underline{v} \succeq \underline{0}, \underline{a}^T \underline{v} \leq 12, \underline{b}^T \underline{v} \leq 4, \underline{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}, \underline{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{let } \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2 \in S, \text{ then } \underline{v}_1 \succeq \underline{0}, \underline{a}^T \underline{v}_1 \leq 12, \underline{b}^T \underline{v}_1 \leq 4$$

$$\underline{v}_2 \succeq \underline{0}, \underline{a}^T \underline{v}_2 \leq 12, \underline{b}^T \underline{v}_2 \leq 4, \theta \in [0, 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{v}_2 \succeq \underline{0}$$

$$\underline{a}^T (\theta \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{v}_2) = \theta \underline{a}^T \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{a}^T \underline{v}_2 \leq 12$$

$$\underline{b}^T (\theta \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{v}_2) = \theta \underline{b}^T \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{b}^T \underline{v}_2 \leq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{v}_2 \in S \text{ for } \theta \in [0, 1] \Rightarrow S \text{ is a convex set}$$

$$(4) \ x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \sqrt{x} \geq y, y \leq 2, 0 \leq x \leq 4\}$$

$$= \left\{ \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \mid \sqrt{x} \geq y, y \leq 2, 0 \leq x \leq 4 \right\}$$

$$\text{let } \underline{v}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} \in S, \underline{v}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in S, \text{ then } \sqrt{x_1} \geq y_1, y_1 \leq 2, 0 \leq x_1 \leq 4$$

$$\sqrt{x_2} \geq y_2, y_2 \leq 2, 0 \leq x_2 \leq 4$$

$$\theta \in [0, 1]$$

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

$$x_1 \geq y_1^2, x_2 \geq y_2^2, \text{ check whether } \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \geq [\theta y_1 + (1-\theta) y_2]^2$$

$$\text{pf: } \theta x_1 + (1-\theta) x_2 \geq \theta y_1^2 + (1-\theta) y_2^2 \dots \textcircled{1}$$

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

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

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

$$= \theta(1-\theta)[y_1^2 + y_2^2 - 2y_1y_2]$$

$$= \theta(1-\theta)[y_1 - y_2]^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \theta y_1^2 + (1-\theta)y_2^2 \geq [\theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2]^2 \dots \textcircled{2}$$

According to $\textcircled{1}$ $\textcircled{2}$, $\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \geq [\theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2]^2$ for $\theta \in [0,1]$

$y_1 \leq 2, y_2 \leq 2$, check whether $\theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \leq 2$ $\textcircled{3}$

pf: $\because y_1 \leq 2, y_2 \leq 2, \therefore \theta y_1 \leq 2\theta, (1-\theta)y_2 \leq (1-\theta)2$

$$\Rightarrow \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \leq 2\theta + (1-\theta)2 = 2 \text{ for } \theta \in [0,1] \dots \textcircled{4}$$

$0 \leq x_1 \leq 4, 0 \leq x_2 \leq 4$, check whether $\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \leq 4$

pf: $\because 0 \leq x_1 \leq 4, 0 \leq x_2 \leq 4 \therefore 0 \leq \theta x_1 \leq 4\theta, 0 \leq (1-\theta)x_2 \leq (1-\theta)4$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \leq 4\theta + (1-\theta)4 = 4 \text{ for } \theta \in [0,1] \dots \textcircled{5}$$

According to $\textcircled{3}$ $\textcircled{4}$ $\textcircled{5}$, $\theta \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} + (1-\theta) \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in S$ for $\theta \in [0,1]$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set

(5) $x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq y, y \leq 1\}$

Counterexample: $\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} \in S, \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} \in S$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix} \notin S \Rightarrow S \text{ is not a convex set}$$

$$(b) x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 \geq 1 - y^2\}$$

$$= \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x^2 + y^2 \geq 1\}$$

Counterexample: $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \in S, \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \in S$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \notin S$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is not a convex set

$$(c) x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \log_{10} x \geq y, x \geq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 100\}$$

let $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} \in S, \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in S \Rightarrow \log_{10} x_1 \geq y_1, x_1 \geq 1, 0 \leq y_1 \leq 100$
 $\log_{10} x_2 \geq y_2, x_2 \geq 1, 0 \leq y_2 \leq 100$

$$\theta \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} + (1-\theta) \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \end{bmatrix}, \theta \in [0, 1]$$

$$\because x_1 \geq 1, x_2 \geq 1 \therefore \theta x_1 \geq \theta, (1-\theta)x_2 \geq 1-\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \geq \theta + (1-\theta) = 1 \quad \dots ①$$

$$\because 0 \leq y_1 \leq 100, 0 \leq y_2 \leq 100 \therefore 0 \leq \theta y_1 \leq 100\theta, 0 \leq (1-\theta)y_2 \leq 100(1-\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \leq 100\theta + 100(1-\theta) = 100 \quad \dots ②$$

$$\because \log_{10} x \geq y_1, \log_{10} x_2 \geq y_2 \therefore x_1 \geq 10^{y_1}, x_2 \geq 10^{y_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta x_1 \geq \theta 10^{y_1}, (1-\theta)x_2 \geq (1-\theta)10^{y_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \geq \theta 10^{y_1} + (1-\theta)10^{y_2}$$

$$\because 10^y \text{ is a convex function and } \theta \in [0, 1]$$

$$\therefore \text{By Jensen's inequality, } \theta 10^{y_1} + (1-\theta)10^{y_2} \geq 10^{\theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \geq 10^{\theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2) \geq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \dots (2)$$

According to ① ② ③, $\theta \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} + (1-\theta) \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in S$ for $\theta \in [0, 1]$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set

$$(8) \quad x, y \in S, S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, \sin(x) \leq y, y \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{4}\}$$

$$\text{let } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} \in S, \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in S, \text{ then } \begin{matrix} \sin(x_1) \leq y_1, y_1 \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x_1 \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \\ \sin(x_2) \leq y_2, y_2 \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x_2 \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \end{matrix}$$

$$\theta \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} + (1-\theta) \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \end{bmatrix}, \theta \in [0, 1]$$

$$\because -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x_1 \leq \frac{\pi}{4}, -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq x_2 \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \therefore -\frac{\pi}{4}\theta \leq \theta x_1 \leq \frac{\pi}{4}\theta$$

$$-\frac{\pi}{4}(1-\theta) \leq (1-\theta)x_2 \leq \frac{\pi}{4}(1-\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{4}\theta - \frac{\pi}{4}(1-\theta) \leq \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \leq \frac{\pi}{4}\theta + \frac{\pi}{4}(1-\theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \dots (1)$$

$$\because y_1 \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}, y_2 \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \quad \therefore \theta y_1 \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\theta, (1-\theta)y_2 \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}(1-\theta)$$

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

$$\because -\frac{\pi}{4} \leq \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \leq \frac{\pi}{4} \quad \therefore -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \leq \sin(\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2) \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$\because \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \geq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \quad \therefore \sin(\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2) \leq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \dots (3)$$

According to ① ② ③, $\theta \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} + (1-\theta) \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in S$ for $\theta \in [0, 1]$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set.

$$(9) \quad x, y \in S, \quad S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, |x| \leq y, -|x| + 5 \geq y\}$$

$$\text{let } \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} \in S, \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in S, \text{ then } \begin{array}{ll} |x_1| \leq y_1 & -|x_1| + 5 \geq y_1 \\ |x_2| \leq y_2 & -|x_2| + 5 \geq y_2 \end{array}$$

$$\theta \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} + (1-\theta) \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \\ \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \theta \in [0, 1]$$

$$\because |x_1| \leq y_1, |x_2| \leq y_2 \quad \therefore |\theta x_1| \leq \theta y_1, |(1-\theta)x_2| \leq (1-\theta)y_2$$

$$\Rightarrow |\theta x_1| + |(1-\theta)x_2| \leq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \quad \text{and} \quad |\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2| \leq |\theta x_1| + |(1-\theta)x_2|$$

$$\Rightarrow |\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2| \leq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \quad \dots \textcircled{1}$$

$$\because -|x_1| + 5 \geq y_1, -|x_2| + 5 \geq y_2 \quad \therefore -|\theta x_1| + 5\theta \geq \theta y_1$$

$$-|(1-\theta)x_1| + 5(1-\theta) \geq (1-\theta)y_2$$

$$\Rightarrow -|\theta x_1| - |(1-\theta)x_2| + 5 \geq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2$$

$$\Rightarrow -[|\theta x_1| + |(1-\theta)x_2|] + 5 \geq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \quad \text{and} \quad |\theta x_1| + |(1-\theta)x_2| \geq |\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2|$$

$$\Rightarrow -|\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2| + 5 \geq \theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \quad \dots \textcircled{2}$$

$$\text{According to } \textcircled{1} \textcircled{2}, \quad \theta \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ y_1 \end{bmatrix} + (1-\theta) \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix} \in S \quad \text{for } \theta \in [0, 1]$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a convex set

$$10. x, y, z \in S. S = \{x, y \in \mathbb{R}, x+y=11-z\}$$

$$= \left\{ \underline{v} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^3, x+y+z=11 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \underline{v} \in \mathbb{R}^3, \underline{a}^T \underline{v} = 11, \underline{a} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\}$$

$$\text{Let } \underline{v}_1, \underline{v}_2 \in S, \text{ then } \underline{a}^T \underline{v}_1 = 11, \underline{a}^T \underline{v}_2 = 11, \theta \in [0, 1]$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{a}^T (\theta \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{v}_2) = \theta \underline{a}^T \underline{v}_1 + (1-\theta) \underline{a}^T \underline{v}_2 = 11\theta + 11(1-\theta) = 11$$

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