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HOMEWORK 5 - THEORY OF LINEAR PROGRAMMING
MATH 1101 - AN INTRODUCTION TO OPTIMIZATION
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Please submit the following problems at the beginning of class Wednesday, November 15. Additionally, please staple this sheet to the front of your solutions.

1. Let $P(\vec{x}) = P(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ be the objective function of a Linear Programming problem that has a feasible area F . Show

$$P(\vec{x}^*) = \max\{P(\vec{x}) \mid \vec{x} \in F\} \Leftrightarrow -P(\vec{x}^*) = \min\{-P(\vec{x}) \mid \vec{x} \in F\},$$

i.e. the max of $P(\vec{x})$ occurs at the same location as the min of $-P(\vec{x})$.

2. Let $F = \{[0, 0]^T, [1, 2]^T, [4, 1]^T\}$. Present (without proof) a graph of
 - (a) $aff(F)$.
 - (b) $conv(F)$.
 - (c) $coni(F)$.
3. Determine for each of the following sets if the set is affine, convex, or a convex cone with vertex at the origin ("determine" means "prove or disprove"). As well, (without proof) state whether each set is a convex polyhedron and/or a convex polytope. If a set is not convex, state (without proof) its convex hull.
 - (a) $S_1 = \{[x, y]^T \mid x + y \leq 5, y \geq 0, x \geq 1\}$.
 - (b) $S_2 = \{[x, y]^T \mid y \leq |x|, y \geq 0, x \geq 0\}$.
 - (c) $S_3 = \{[x, y]^T \mid y - x^2 + 6x \leq 9, y \geq 0, x \geq 0\}$.
4. Determine the extreme (corner) point(s) $P = \{\vec{P}_1, \dots, \vec{P}_s\}$ of S_2 in the previous question. Then find direction vectors $D = \{\vec{d}_1, \dots, \vec{d}_t\}$ of S_2 such that

$$S_2 = conv(P) + con(D)$$

as in the Finite Basis Theorem and Fundamental Theorem of Linear Programming.