

# ACM Summer School 2021 - Shape Modeling Linear algebra & Optimization

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# Optimization

# Optimization problem

- Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

*max f(x)*  
*min -f(x)*

$$\begin{array}{l} \min f(x) \\ \text{sub. to } h_1(x) = 0 \\ \vdots \\ h_m(x) = 0 \\ x \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{Equality} \\ \hline g_1(x) \leq 0 \\ \vdots \\ g_p(x) \leq 0 \end{array} \right\} \text{Inequality constraints}$$

- Denote  $\underline{h(x)} := [h_1(x) \dots h_m(x)]^T$  and  $\underline{g(x)} := [g_1(x) \ g_2(x) \dots g_p(x)]^T$ , with  $\underline{h} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\underline{g} : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^p$ . Typically,  $f, g, h$  are assumed to be  $C^2$ .
- The function  $f$  is called a Cost/Objective function.  
Constraints of the form  $\underline{h(x)} = 0$  and  $\underline{g(x)} \leq 0$  are called Functional constraints, while constraints of the form  $x \in \Omega$  are called Set constraints.
- Points satisfying all constraints are called feasible points.

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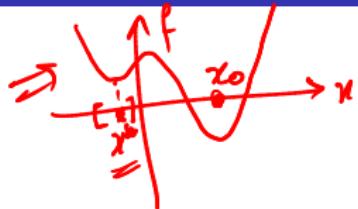
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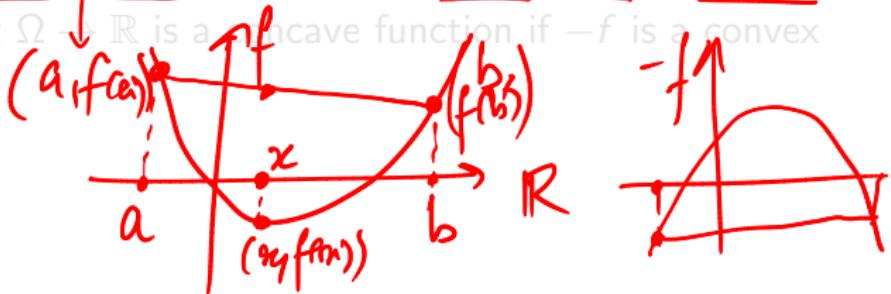
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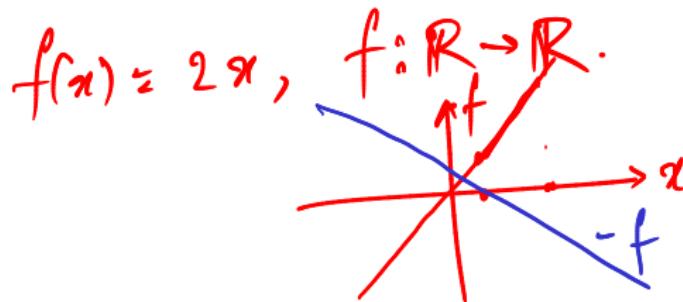
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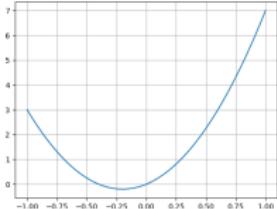


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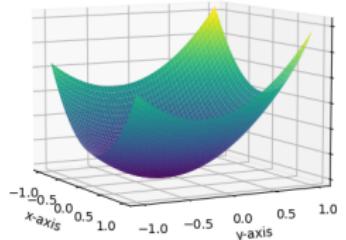
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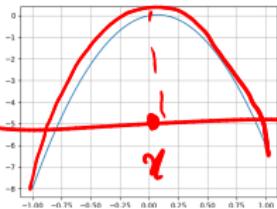
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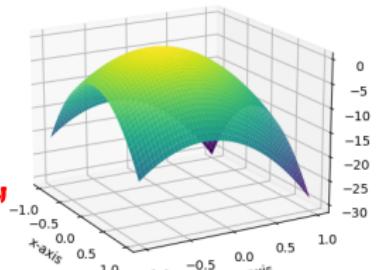
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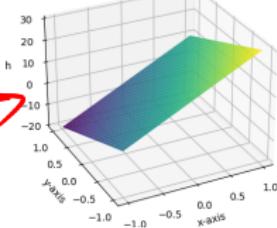
Convex  $\rightarrow$



$f$  of  
inflection  
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Convex +  
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Neither  
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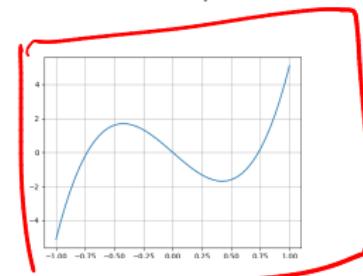


Figure: Row 1: Convex functions, Row 2: Concave functions, Row 3:  
(left) Convex and Concave function, (right) Neither convex nor concave

# Why convexity is important?

## Theorem

*Let  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a convex function. Then any local minima  $x^* \in \Omega$  of  $f$  is also a global minima*

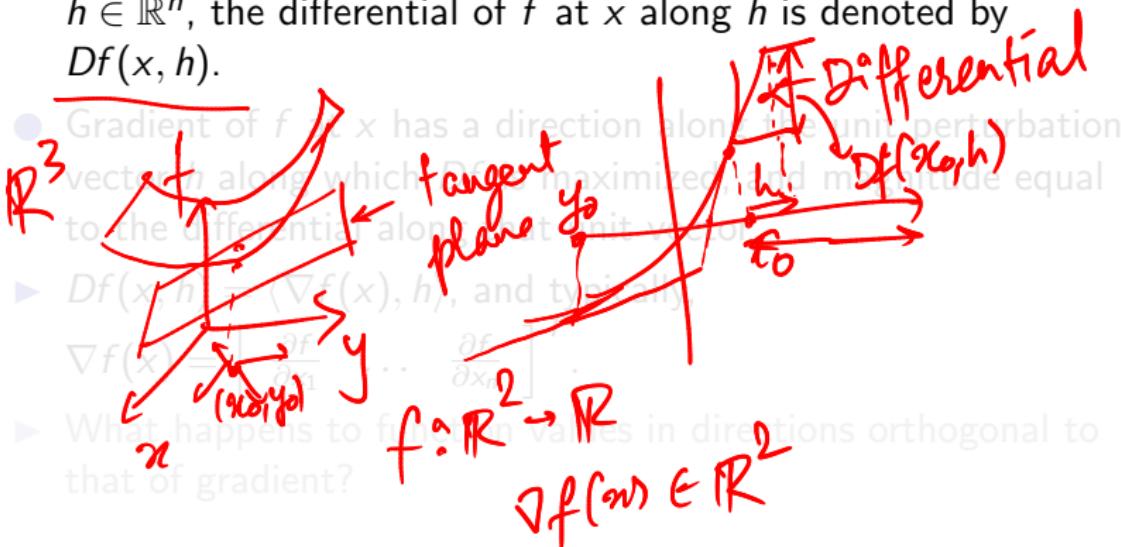
## Proof.

- Let  $y \in \Omega$  be any arbitrary point. Since  $x^*$  is a local minima,  $f(x^*) \leq f(\alpha y + (1 - \alpha)x^*)$  for small enough  $\alpha$
- ▶  $f(x^*) \leq f(\alpha y + (1 - \alpha)x^*) \leq (1 - \alpha)f(x^*) + \alpha f(y)$
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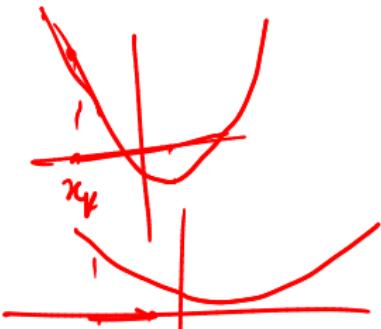
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$$\alpha_k \cdot \delta_k$$

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Newtonian

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- Nonlinear constrained problem:

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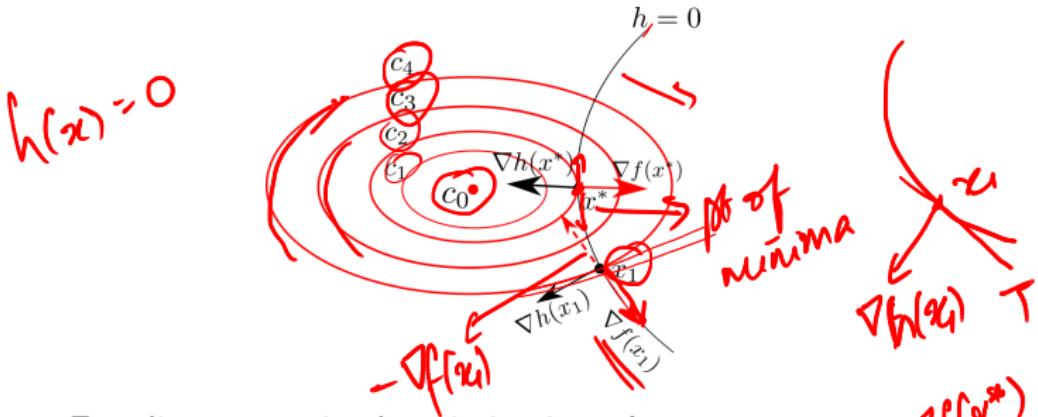


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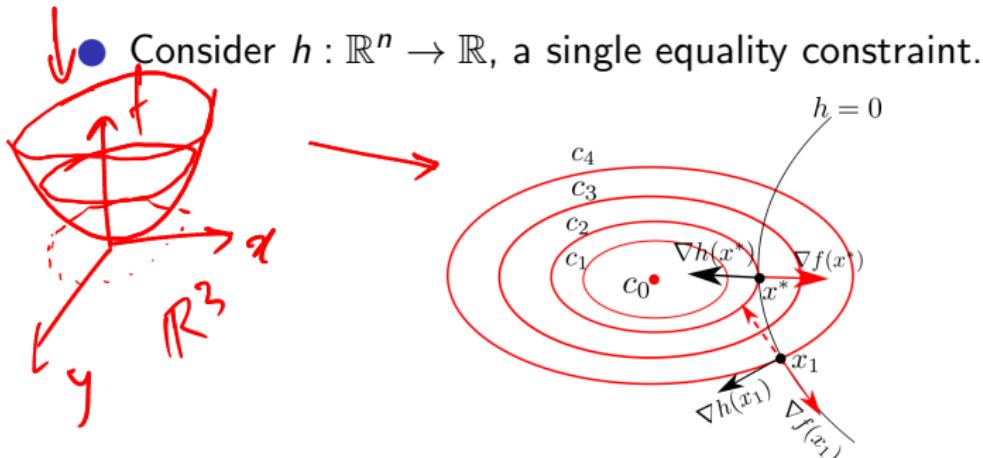


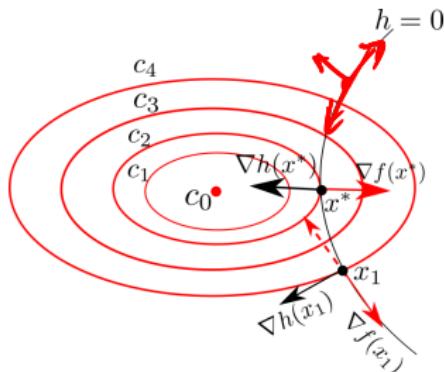
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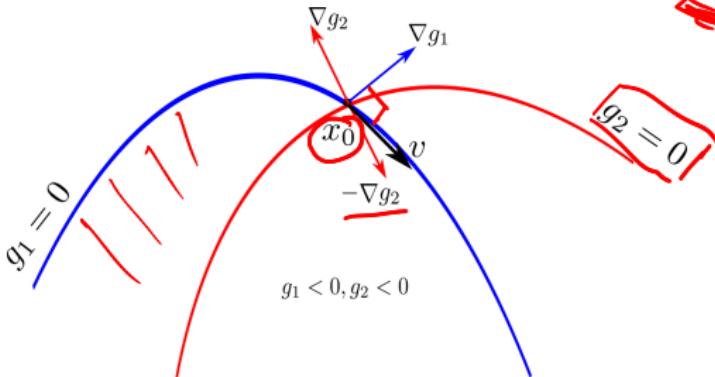


Figure: KKT Conditions

# Second order conditions

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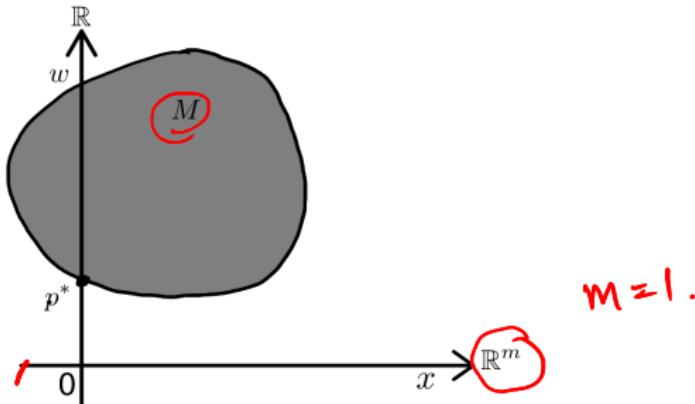
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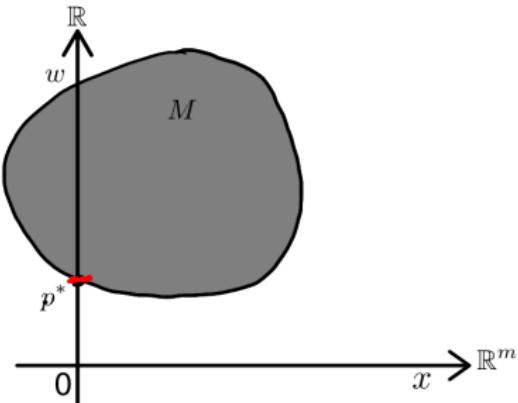
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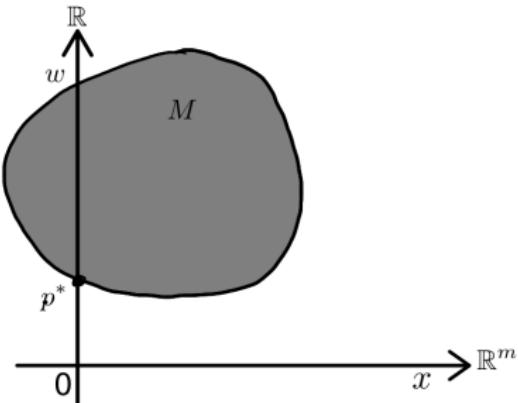
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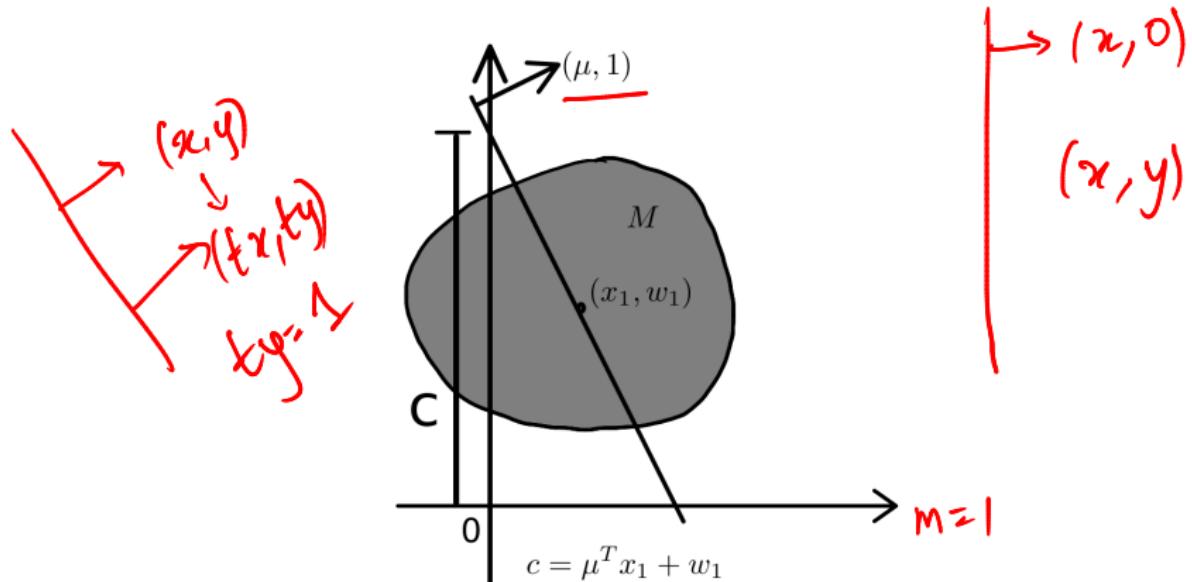


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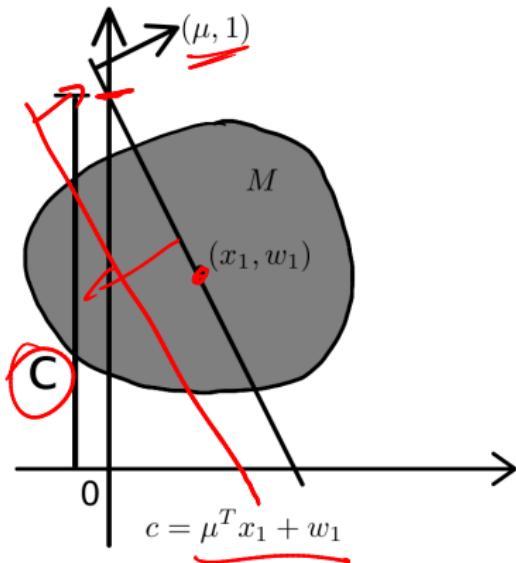


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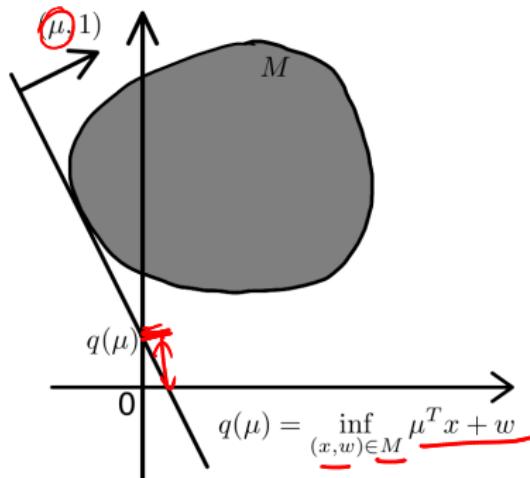


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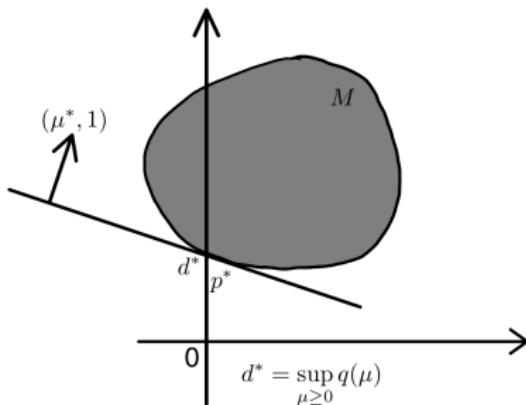


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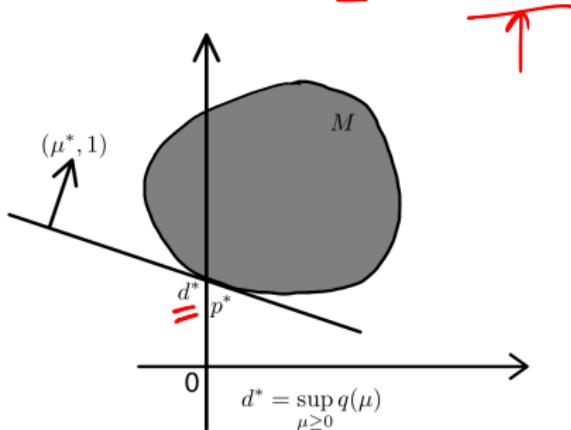


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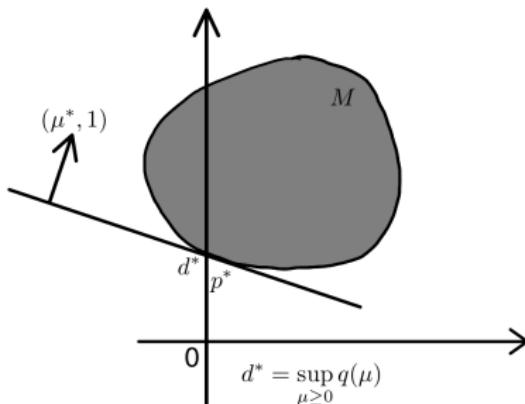


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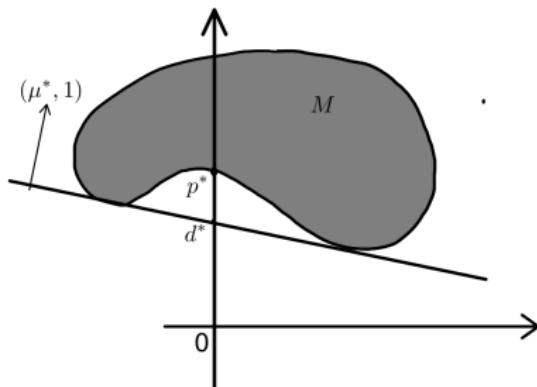


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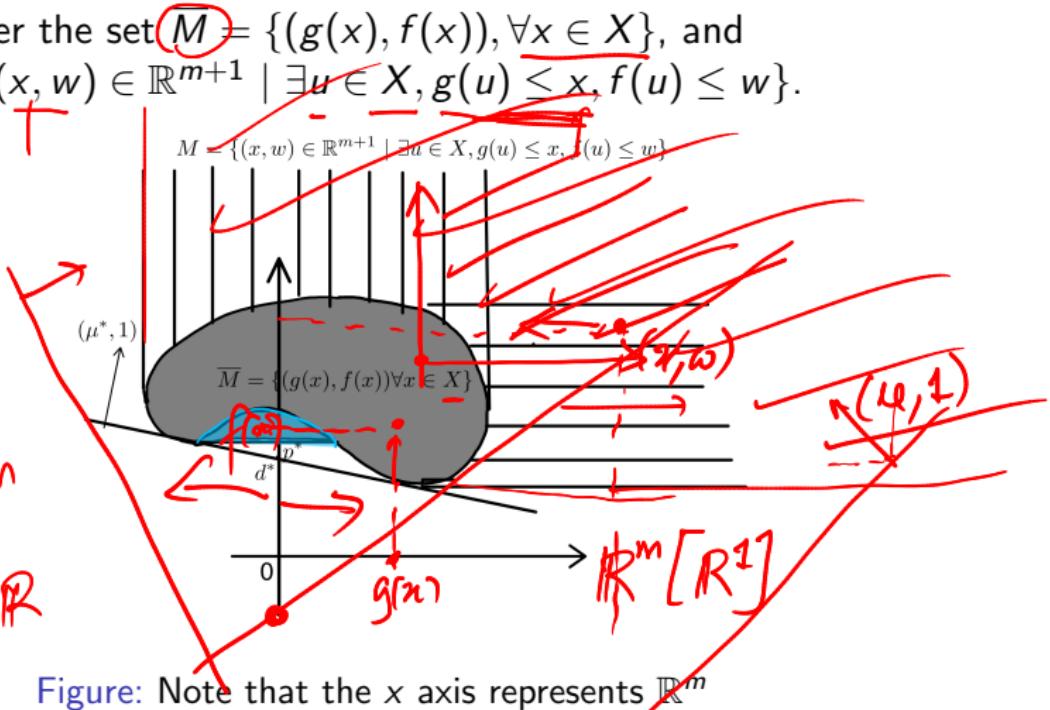


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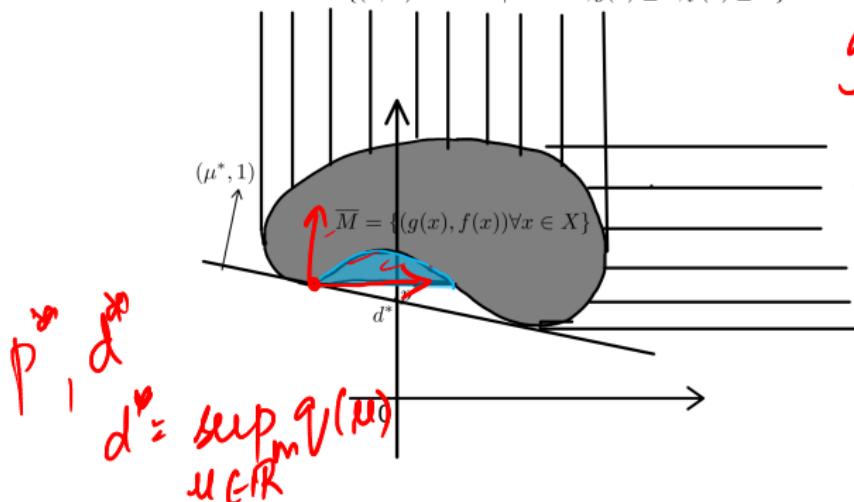
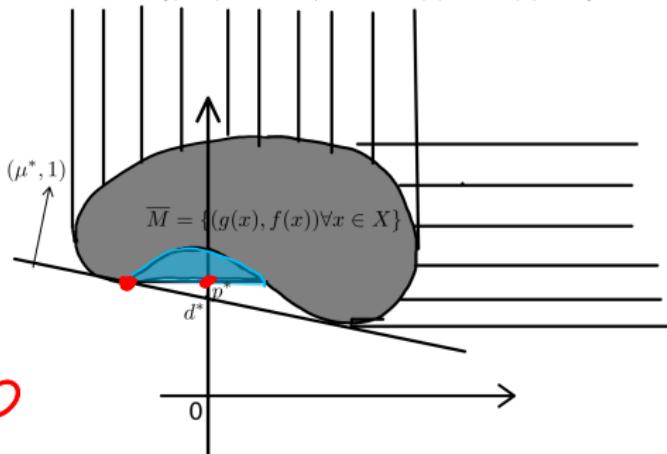


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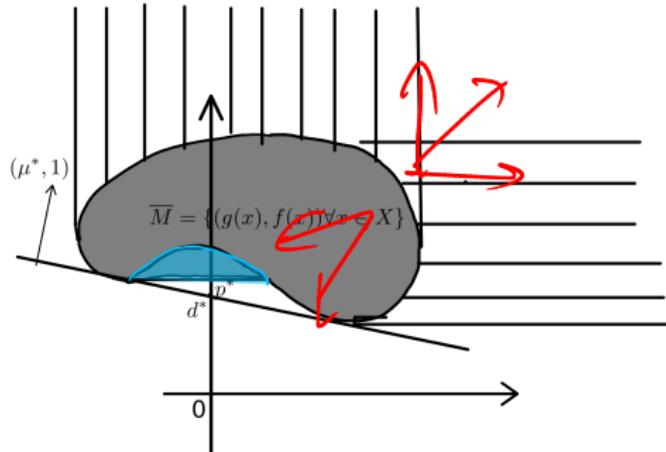


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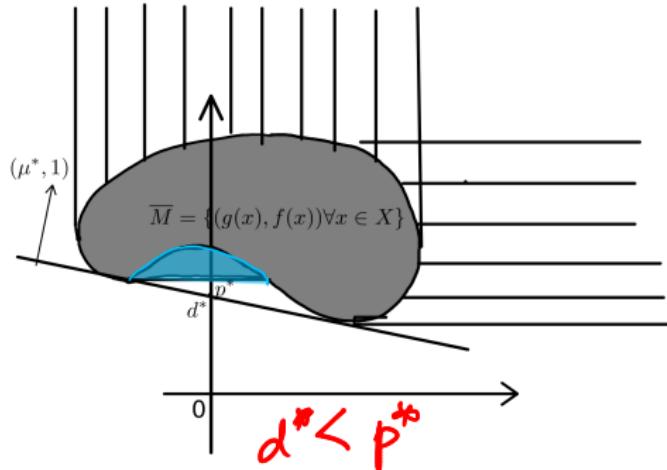


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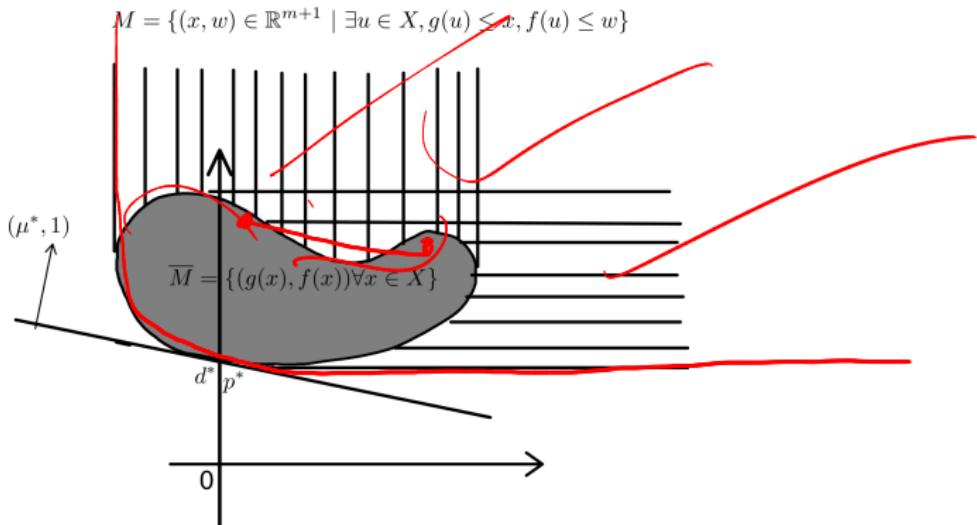


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# Linear Algebra

# Vector Space

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- If  $(V, +, \cdot)$  satisfies these properties,  $V$  is said to be a vector space over  $\mathbb{F}$ .
- ▶ Any element  $x \in V$  is called a *vector*,  $+$  is called vector addition and  $\cdot$  is called *scalar multiplication*.
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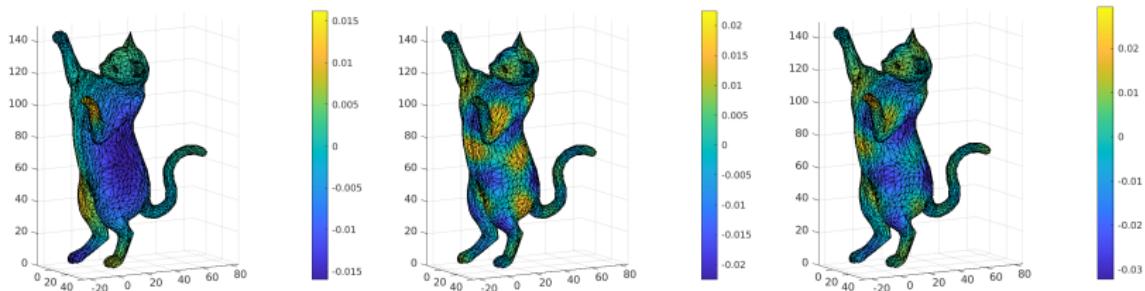
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**Figure:** Examples of functions, say  $p : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $q : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $p + q$ (right)

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# Linear Combination & Span

- Given a set of vectors  $U = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\} \subset V$ , a vector  $v = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i, a_i \in \mathbb{R}$  is said to be a **linear combination** of  $U$ .

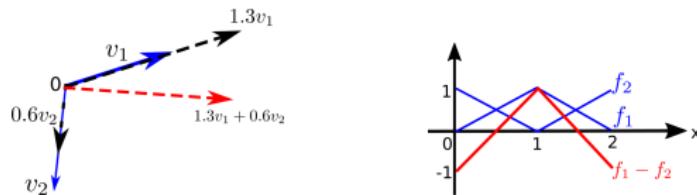


Figure: Linear Combination of two vectors in (left)  $V = \mathbb{R}^2$ , (right)  $V = \{f : [0, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$

- The set of all linear combinations of  $U = \{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is called the **span** of  $U$ .
- If there exists a finite set  $U$  of vectors such that  $\text{span}(U) = V$ , then  $V$  is a **Finite Dimensional Vector space(FDVS)**.

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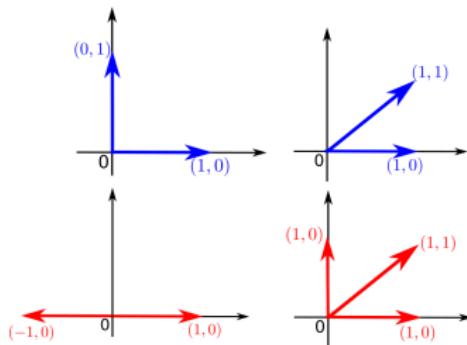
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- ▶ A set of vectors  $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  is said to be **linearly independent**, if none of the vectors in the set are linearly dependent on the rest, i.e.,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i = \mathbf{0} \quad \Rightarrow \quad a_i = 0, \forall i$$

- ▶ Example: Let  $V = \{f : [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$ ,  $U = \{\sin t, \cos t\}$

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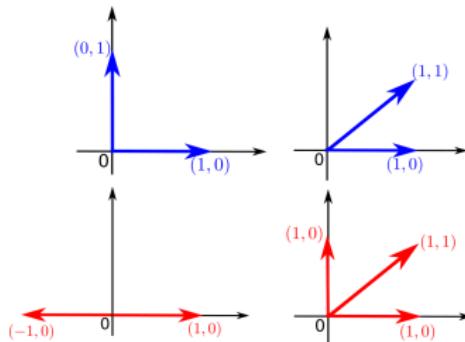


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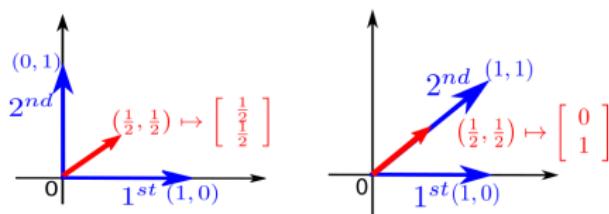
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- Moreover, the linear combination is unique, i.e.,

$$v = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i v_i = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i v_i \Rightarrow a_i = b_i, \forall i.$$

- The coefficients written as a column vector  $[a_i]_{i=1}^n$  is called the representation of  $v$  in the basis  $U$ . Also denoted by  $[v]_U$ .



**Figure:** Examples of representation of vector  $(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$  in two different basis of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Note that the order of vectors in the basis matters.

# Linear Transformations

- Let  $(U, +, \cdot)$  and  $(V, +, \cdot)$  be two vector spaces on  $\mathbb{R}$  with dimensions  $m$  and  $n$  respectively.
- A mapping,  $T : U \rightarrow V$  is said to be linear if
  - ①  $T$  is additive:  $\forall u_1, u_2 \in U, T(u_1 + u_2) = T(u_1) + T(u_2)$ .
  - ②  $T$  is homogeneous:  $\forall u \in U, \forall a \in \mathbb{R}, T(a \cdot u) = a \cdot T(u)$ .
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  - ▶ Planar rotation:  $T : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  
 $T(x, y) = (x \cos \theta - y \sin \theta, x \sin \theta + y \cos \theta)$ .
  - ▶ Matrix multiplication: Let  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ .  
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# Representation of a Linear Transformation

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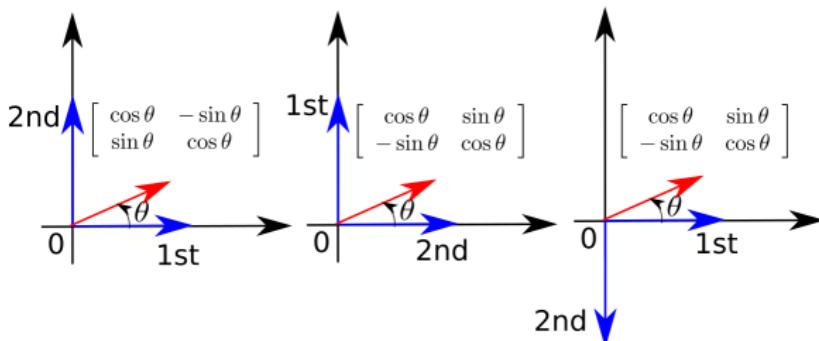
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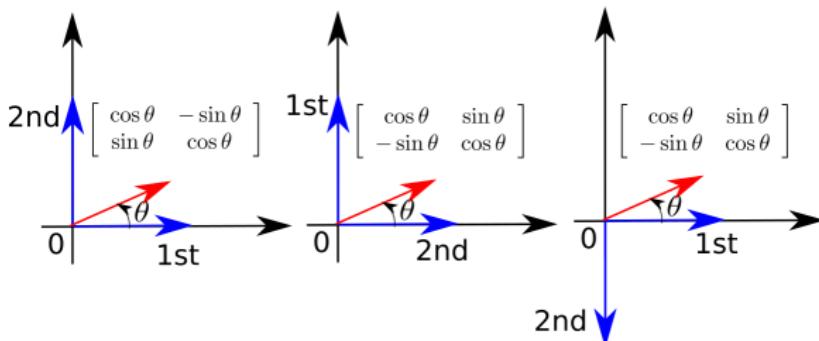
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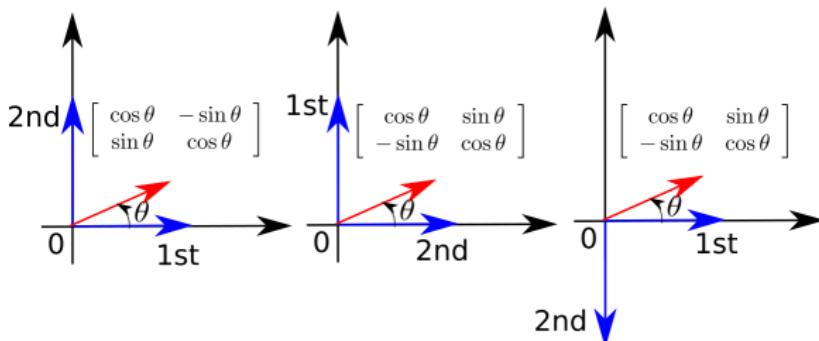
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