

The Minkowski-Weyl Theorem

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V/H Polyhedra/Cones

Let $U \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times l}$, $V \in \mathbb{R}^{d \times m}$, $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times d}$

- V-Cone:
 $\{U\mathbf{t} \mid \mathbf{t} \geq \mathbf{0}\} \equiv \text{cone}(U)$
- V-Polytope:
 $\{V\lambda \mid \lambda \geq \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}^T \lambda = 1\} \equiv \text{conv}(V)$
- V-Polyhedron:
 $\{U\mathbf{t} + V\lambda \mid \mathbf{t}, \lambda \geq \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1}^T \lambda = 1\} \equiv \text{cone}(U) + \text{conv}(V)$
- H-Cone:
 $\{\mathbf{x} \mid A\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{0}\}$
- H-Polyhedron:
 $\{\mathbf{x} \mid A\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{b}\}$

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Picture of Proof

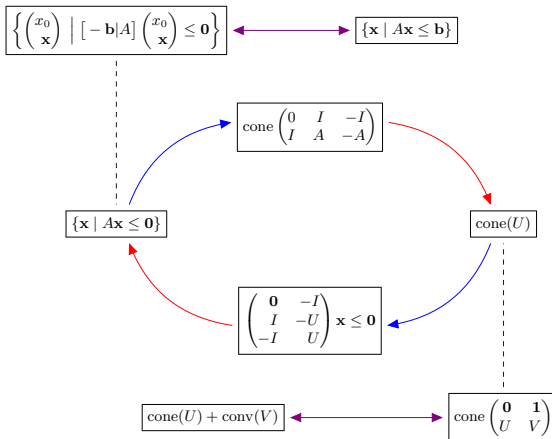


Figure 1: Diagram of the proof $P_H \leftrightarrow P_V$

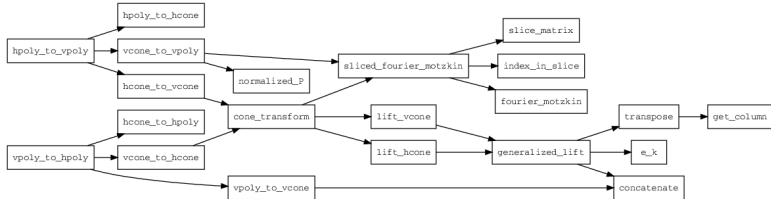
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Files and Includes

file	includes
linear_algebra.h fourier_motzkin.h polyhedra.h main.cpp	<C++ standard library> linear_algebra.h fourier_motzkin.h polyhedra.h
test_functions.h test.cpp	linear_algebra.h test_functions.h, polyhedra.h

Callgraph



Matrix `fourier_motzkin(Matrix,k)`

```
23  const auto z_end = partition(M.begin(), M.end(),  
24      [k](const Vector &v) { return v[k] == 0; });  
25  const auto p_end = partition(z_end, M.end(),  
26      [k](const Vector &v) { return v[k] > 0; });
```

Partition M into logical sets Z, P, N that satisfy the following:

set	range	property
Z	$[M.begin(), z_end)$	$it \in Z \Leftrightarrow (*it)[k] = 0$
P	$[z_end, p_end)$	$it \in P \Leftrightarrow (*it)[k] > 0$
N	$[p_end, M.end())$	$it \in N \Leftrightarrow (*it)[k] < 0$

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30 for (auto p_it = z_end; p_it != p_end; ++p_it) {  
31     for (auto n_it = p_end; n_it != M.end(); ++n_it) {  
32         result.push_back(  
33             (*p_it)[k]*(*n_it) - (*n_it)[k]*(*p_it));  
34     }  
35 }
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This function creates the sets which correspond to:

$$\{B_i^k B_j - B_j^k B_i \mid i \in P, j \in N\}, \quad \{Y_k^i Y^j - Y_k^j Y^i \mid i \in P, j \in N\}$$

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- \mathbf{t} is a non-negative vector, $V \neq \emptyset$, and abbreviate linear-independent as LI. \bar{V} denotes $\{\mathbf{v} - \mathbf{v}' \mid \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{v}' \in V\}$.

	Pointed	Full-Dimensional
$\text{cone}(U)$	$U\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{0}$	d LI vectors in U
$\text{cone}(U) + \text{conv}(V)$	$U\mathbf{t} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{0}$	d LI vectors in $U \cup \bar{V}$
$\{\mathbf{x} \mid A\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{0}\}$	d LI row vectors in A	$\mathbf{t}^T A = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{t} = \mathbf{0}$
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Not much to see here

- The proofs are more tedious than enlightening
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Better MWT for Cones

- H-Cone \rightarrow V-Cone. Use same transform and “tensor-notation”
- Farkas Lemma using the following facts:
 - ① An intersection of closed sets is closed
 - ② A projection of a closed subset of \mathbb{R}^n is closed
 - ③ (Heine-Borel) A subset of \mathbb{R}^n is compact if and only if it is closed and bounded
 - ④ A continuous function on a compact subset of \mathbb{R}^n achieves its maximum
 - ⑤ Linear functions on \mathbb{R}^n are continuous
 - ⑥ The Cauchy-Schwartz inequality
- Better dual cone:

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Tensor-like notation

First, we write $\{\mathbf{x} \mid A\mathbf{x} \leq \mathbf{0}\} = \left\{ \mathbf{x} \mid \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{pmatrix} \in \text{cone} \begin{pmatrix} I & -I & \mathbf{0} \\ A & -A & I \end{pmatrix} \right\}$

Now we need to do our intersections:

- Let $\mathbf{u} \in \text{cone}(U)$ with $u_l = 0$
- Let $\mathbf{p}^j t_j$ sum over elements of U with positive l -th elements
- $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{p}^j t_j + \mathbf{n}^j t_j + \mathbf{z}^k t_k$
- $u_l = 0 \Rightarrow p_l^j t_j + n_l^j t_j = 0 \dots \quad \sigma := p_l^j t_j = -n_l^j t_j$
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Further Considerations

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- Other interpretations...
 - ...Systems of logical deduction:
Hahn-Banach vs Incompleteness
 - ...Systems where “lift and drop” creates a dual representation