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CHAPTER 2

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DEFINITION:LINE PASSING THROUGH x_1, x_2 IS

$$\{y \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid y = \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2, \theta \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \{y \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid y = x_2 + \theta(x_1 - x_2), \theta \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

BASE POINT

DIRECTION

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DEFINITION: $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ IS AFFINE IF $\forall x_1, x_2 \in C$ THE LINE PASSING THROUGH x_1, x_2 BELONGS TO C .EXAMPLES: \emptyset , $\{x_0\}$ (SINGLETONS), \mathbb{R}^m , LINES, PLANES IN \mathbb{R}^3 DEFINITION:AFFINE COMBINATION OF POINTS x_1, \dots, x_k IS ANY POINT $\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \dots + \theta_k x_k$, WHERE

$$\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_k = 1$$

(NOTE: IF WE DIDN'T HAVE THE LAST CONSTRAINT, THE COMBINATION WOULD BE A LINEAR COMBINATION, AS USUAL)

PROPERTIES OF AFFINE SPACES:

1) IF C IS AFFINE, THEN $\forall x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in C$,
 $\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \dots + \theta_k x_k$, WHERE $\theta_1 + \theta_2 + \dots + \theta_k = 1$,
 BELONGS TO C .

PROOF: BY INDUCTION \otimes 2) IF C IS AN AFFINE SET AND $x_0 \in C$, THEN

$$V = C - x_0 = \{x - x_0 \mid x \in C\} \text{ IS A SUBSPACE}$$

$$\otimes \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \dots + \theta_k x_k + \theta_{k+1} x_{k+1} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \theta_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dots \\ \dots \\ \dots \end{bmatrix} + \theta_{k+1} x_{k+1}$$

PROOF:

LET $v_1, v_2 \in V$. THEN $v_1 = x_1 - x_0, v_2 = x_2 - x_0,$
 $x_1, x_2 \in C.$

$$a v_1 + b v_2 + x_0 = a x_1 - a x_0 + b x_2 - b x_0 + x_0 =$$
$$a x_1 + b x_2 + [1 - a - b] x_0$$

AND SINCE $a + b + 1 - a - b = 1$, IT BELONGS TO C ,

THEREFORE $a v_1 + b v_2 + x_0 - x_0 \in V$, SO V IS
CLOSED UNDER LINEAR COMBINATIONS

THEREFORE, $C = V + x_0$ WHERE V IS LINEAR SPACE

3) THE VECTOR SPACE OF THE PREVIOUS PROPERTY IS THE SAME IRRESPECTIVE OF THE CHOICE OF x_0

PROOF:

LET $C = V_0 + x_0, C = V_1 + x_1.$

$$x_1 \in C \Rightarrow x_1 - x_0 \in V_0 \Rightarrow x_0 - x_1 \in V_0$$

LINEAR SPACE

LET $a \in V_0 \Rightarrow a + (x_0 - x_1) \in V_0 \Rightarrow$

LINEAR SPACE

DEFINITION: THE DIMENSION OF AN AFFINE SPACE C IS THE DIMENSION OF THE VECTOR SPACE V :

$$C = V + a_0$$

DEFINITION: THE AFFINE HULL OF $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ IS THE SET OF ALL AFFINE COMBINATIONS OF POINTS IN C :

$$\text{aff } C = \left\{ \theta_1 x_1 + \dots + \theta_k x_k \mid x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in C, \theta_1 + \dots + \theta_k = 1 \right\}$$

PROPERTY: THE AFFINE HULL ^{of C} IS THE SMALLEST AFFINE SET THAT CONTAINS C :


$$S \text{ IS AFFINE, } C \subseteq S \Rightarrow \text{aff } C \subseteq S$$

PROOF: LET ANY $x \in \text{aff } C$. THEN

$$x = \theta_1 x_1 + \dots + \theta_k x_k \quad \text{WITH } x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in C$$

$$\Rightarrow x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k \in S. \quad \text{BECAUSE } S \text{ IS AFFINE, } x \in S$$

DEFINITION: AFFINE DIMENSION OF A SET IS DIMENSION OF THE AFFINE HULL

- EXAMPLES:
- 1) AFFINE HULL OF LINE SEGMENT IS LINE
 - 2) AFFINE HULL OF  IS WHOLE PLANE
 - 3) AFFINE HULL OF SINGLE POINT IS SINGLE POINT
 - 4) AFFINE HULL OF ANY SOLID (3D) SET IS WHOLE \mathbb{R}^3

2.14 CONVEX SET

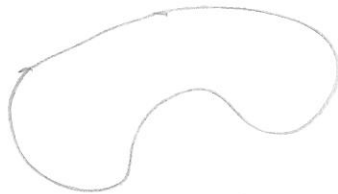
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DEFINITION: A SET C IS CONVEX IF

$$\forall x_1, x_2 \in C, \quad \forall \theta \in [0, 1], \quad \theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \in C$$

DEFINITION: THE ABOVE SET IS A LINE SEGMENT

EXAMPLES:



(WHAT IS THE INTUITION?)

DEFINITION: $\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \dots + \theta_k x_k$, WHERE $\theta_i \geq 0, \sum \theta_i = 1$

IS A CONVEX COMBINATION OF THE POINTS x_1, \dots, x_k

DEFINITION: THE CONVEX HULL $\text{conv } C$ OF $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ IS

$$\text{conv } C = \left\{ \theta_1 x_1 + \dots + \theta_k x_k \mid x_i \in C, \theta_i \geq 0, i=1, \dots, k, \theta_1 + \dots + \theta_k = 1 \right\}$$

PROPERTY:

$\text{conv } C$ IS THE SMALLEST CONVEX SET THAT

CONTAINS C .

PROOF: LET ANY CONVEX $S \supseteq C$

LET $x \in \text{conv } C$. THEN x IS A CONVEX

COMBINATION OF SOME $x_i \in C \Rightarrow x_i \in S \Rightarrow$

$$x \in S$$

PROPERTY:

(GENERALIZATIONS OF CONVEX HOUS WITH CONVEX COMBINATIONS OF AN INFINITE NUMBER OF POINTS)

1) LET $\theta_i \geq 0, i=1, 2, \dots$ $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \theta_i = 1$

LET $x_1, x_2, \dots \in C, C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ CONVEX.

THEN $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \theta_i x_i \in C$

2) LET $p: \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ SUCH THAT $p(x) \geq 0, \int_C p(x) = 1$.

THEN $\int_C p(x) x dx \in C$

3) LET $C \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ CONVEX, X IS RANDOM WITH PROBABILITY 1. THEN $E(X) \in C$.

WHEN VIEWED AS A DEFINITION, THIS IS THE MOST GENERAL ONE.

2.1.5. CONES

DEFINITION: C IS A CONE IF $\forall x \in C, \theta \geq 0, \theta x \in C$.

DEFINITION: C IS A CONVEX CONE IF IT IS A CONE AND IT IS CONVEX. THEREFORE $\forall \theta_1, \theta_2 \geq 0, \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 \in C$.

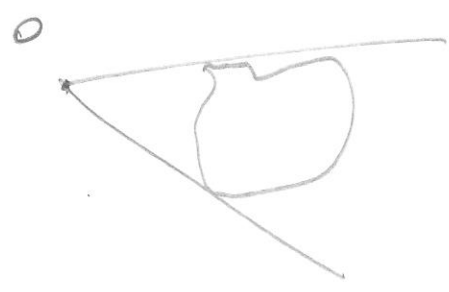


DEFINITION: A POINT $\theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \dots + \theta_k x_k, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_k \geq 0$ IS A CONIC COMBINATION OF x_1, \dots, x_k .

PROPERTY: C IS A CONVEX CONE IFF IT CONTAINS ALL CONIC COMBINATIONS OF ITS ELEMENTS

DEFINITION: CONIC HULL OF C IS

$$\{ \theta_1 x_1 + \dots + \theta_n x_n \mid x_i \in C, \theta_i \geq 0, i=1, \dots, n \}$$



PROPERTY: THE CONIC HULL OF C IS THE SMALLEST CONVEX CONE THAT CONTAINS C

2.2.1 HYPERPLANES AND HALFSPACES

DEFINITION: A HYPERPLANE IS A SET OF THE FORM

$$H = \{ x \mid a^T x = b \}, \quad a \in \mathbb{R}^n, \quad a \neq 0, \quad b \in \mathbb{R}.$$

PROPERTY: H IS AFFINE, WITH AFFINE DIMENSION $n-1$

INTUITION: OBSERVE THAT $a^T x$ IS THE INNER PRODUCT OF THE VECTORS a, x .

IN THE FOLLOWING, WE TREAT VECTORS AS COLUMN MATRICES.

NOTE THAT $H = \{ x : a^T (x - x_0) = 0 \} = x_0 + a^\perp$

WHERE THE ORTHOGONAL COMPLEMENT $a^\perp = \{ u \mid a^T u = 0 \}$

- IN 2D, H IS A LINE
- IN 3D, H IS A PLANE

DEFINITION: 1) (CLOSED) HALF SPACE: $H = \{x \mid a^T x \leq b\}$, $a \neq 0$. (7)

2) OPEN HALF SPACE: $\{x \mid a^T x < b\}$.

PROPERTY: HALF SPACES ARE CONVEX BUT NOT AFFINE

INTUITION: $H = \{x \mid a^T (x - x_0) \leq 0\}$, WHERE $a^T x_0 = b$,

SO IT IS THE SET OF POINTS THAT FORM AN OBSTACLE ANGLE WITH a

2.2.2

DEFINITION: (EUCLIDEAN) BALL

$$B(x_c, r) = \{x \mid \|x - x_c\|_2 \leq r\}$$

$$= \{x \mid (x - x_c)^T (x - x_c) \leq r^2\}$$

$$= \{x \mid x = x_c + r u \mid \|u\|_2 \leq 1\}$$

WHERE $x_c \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $r \in \mathbb{R}$ AND

$$\|(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\|_2 = (x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

PROPERTY: EUCLIDEAN BALLS ARE CONVEX.

PROOF: LET x_1, x_2 : $\|x_1 - x_c\|_2 \leq r$, $\|x_2 - x_c\|_2 \leq r$

THEN

$$\|\theta x_1 + (1 - \theta) x_2 - x_c\|_2 =$$

$$\|\theta (x_1 - x_c) + (1 - \theta) (x_2 - x_c)\|_2 \leq \quad (\text{TRIANGLE IDENTITY})$$

$$\|\theta (x_1 - x_c)\|_2 + \|(1 - \theta) (x_2 - x_c)\|_2 = \quad (\text{HOMOGENEITY PROPERTY})$$

$$\theta \|x_1 - x_c\|_2 + (1 - \theta) \|x_2 - x_c\|_2$$

DEFINITION:

QUADRATIC FORM

ELLIPSOID:

$$\Sigma = \{x \mid (x - x_c)^T P^{-1} (x - x_c) \leq 1\}$$

$P = P^T > 0$, i.e. SYMMETRIC, POSITIVE DEFINITE.

LENGTHS OF SEMI-AXES ARE $\sqrt{\lambda_i}$

BALL IS ELLIPSOID WITH $P = r^2 I$

PROPERTY: ELLIPSOIDS ARE CONVEX.

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WE CAN DEFINE BALLS USING OTHER

NORMS:

$$B(x_c, r) = \{x \mid \|x - x_c\|_1 \leq r\}$$

$$\text{OR } \{x \mid \|x - x_c\|_\infty \leq r\}$$

WHERE $\|(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2| + \dots + |x_n|$

$$\|(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |x_i|$$

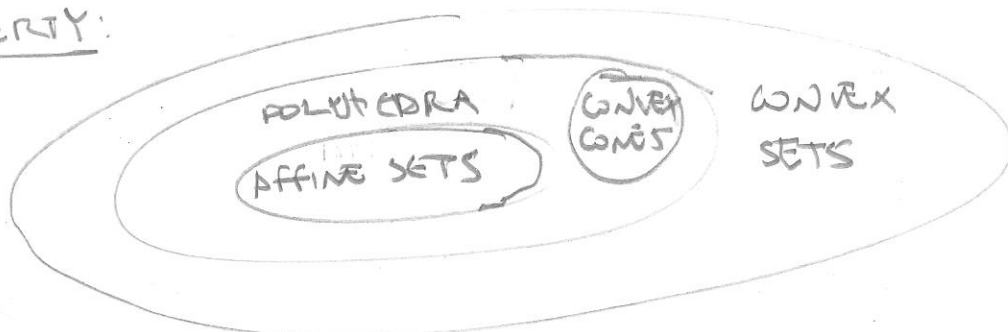
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DEFINITION: A POLYHEDRON (OR POLYTOPE)

$$\mathcal{P} = \{x \mid a_j^T x \leq b_j, \quad j=1, \dots, m\}$$

$$c_j^T x = d_j, \quad j=1, \dots, p$$

PROPERTY:



(NOTE IT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE BOUNDED)

NOTATION:

$$P = \{x \mid Ax \leq b, Cx = d\}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1^T \\ \vdots \\ a_m^T \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = \begin{bmatrix} c^T \\ \vdots \\ c_p^T \end{bmatrix}$$

AND \leq MEANS COMPONENTWISE INEQUALITY

EXAMPLE 1: NONNEGATIVE ORTHANT:

$$\begin{aligned} & \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid x_i \geq 0, i=1, \dots, m\} \\ & = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^m \mid x \succeq 0\} \end{aligned}$$

IT IS BOTH A POLYHEDRON AND A CONE

DEFINITION: POINTS v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k ARE AFFINELY INDEPENDENT IF THE AFFINE HULL OF ANY SUBSET OF THEM IS SMALLER THAN THEIR AFFINE HULL

PROPERTY: v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k ARE AFFINELY INDEPENDENT IFF $v_1 - v_0, v_2 - v_0, \dots, v_k - v_0$ ARE LINEARLY INDEPENDENT

DEFINITION: LET v_0, v_1, \dots, v_k BE AFFINELY INDEPENDENT THEN THE SIMPLEX DEFINED BY THEM IS

$$\begin{aligned} C = \text{conv} \{v_0, \dots, v_k\} = \\ \{ \theta_0 v_0 + \dots + \theta_k v_k \mid \theta \succeq 0, \mathbf{1}^T \theta = 1 \end{aligned}$$

IMPORTANT EXAMPLES:

- 1) 1D SIMPLEXES ARE LINE SEGMENTS
- 2) 2D SIMPLEXES ARE TRIANGLES AND LINE SEGMENTS
(BUT NOT SQUARES!) (INCLUDING INTERIOR)
- 3) 3D SIMPLEXES ARE TETRAHEDRA (INCLUDING THEIR INTERIOR), TRIANGLES AND LINE SEGMENTS
- 4) UNIT SIMPLEX: $\text{conv}\{0, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$
 $= \{x \mid x \geq 0, \mathbf{1}^T x \leq 1\}$

5) PROBABILITY SIMPLEX

$$\text{conv}\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$$

$$= \{x \mid x \geq 0, \mathbf{1}^T x = 1\}$$

NOTE: MANY OPTIMIZATION PROBLEMS HAVE THESE EXACT CONSTRAINT SETS! (UNIT SIMPLEX AND PROBABILITY SIMPLEX)

PROPERTY:

SIMPLEXES ARE POLYHEDRA

PROPERTY:

CONVEX HULLS ARE FINITE SETS ARE BOUNDED POLYHEDRA HOWEVER IS HARD TO CONVERT EXPRESSIONS OF THE FORM

$$\{0, 0, + \dots + 0, 0 \mid \theta \geq 0, \mathbf{1}^T \theta = 1\} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

INTO EXPRESSIONS OF THE FORM

$$\left\{ x \mid a_j^T x \leq b_j, \quad j=1, \dots, m, \quad G^T x = d_j, \quad j=1, \dots, p \right\} \quad (2)$$

A KIND OF INVERSE ALSO HOLDS:

PROPERTY: EVERY POLYHEDRON CAN BE EXPRESSED IN

THE FORM

$$\left\{ \theta_1 v_1 + \dots + \theta_k v_k \mid \theta_1 + \dots + \theta_m = 1, \quad \theta_i \geq 0, \quad i=1, \dots, k \right\}$$

$$\theta_i \geq 0, \quad i=1, \dots, k$$

IE. THE ^{SET} ADDITION OF THE CONVEX HULL OF v_1, \dots, v_k AND THE CONVEX HULL OF THE REST.

REMINDER: SET ADDITION OF A AND B =

$$A+B = \{ a+b \mid a \in A, b \in B \}$$

COMMENT: IT IS ALSO HARD TO GO FROM EXPRESSIONS OF THE FORM (2) TO EXPRESSIONS OF THE FORM (1)

FOR EXAMPLE:

$$C = \left\{ x \mid |x_i| \leq 1, \quad i=1, \dots, n \right\} = \text{conv} \{ v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2^n} \}$$

↑
2ⁿ INEQUALITIES

↑
2ⁿ POINTS

WHERE v_i ARE ALL POINTS WITH COMPONENTS ± 1 OR ∓ 1

DEFINITION:

$$1) \quad S^m = \{X \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m} \mid X = X^T\}$$

(VECTOR SPACE OF DIMENSION $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$)

$$2) \quad S_+^m = \{X \in S^m \mid X \succeq 0\}$$

(E., THE SET OF SYMMETRIC POSITIVE DEFINITE MATRICES)

$$3) \quad S_{++}^m = \{X \in S^m \mid X \succ 0\}, \quad \text{IE. THE SET}$$

OF POSITIVE DEFINITE MATRICES

PROPERTY: S_+^m AND S_{++}^m ARE CONVEX

INDEED, LET, E.G. $S_1, S_2 \in S_+^m$

$$\forall X \in \mathbb{R}^m, \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} X^T S_1 X \geq 0 \\ X^T S_2 X \geq 0 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow X^T (\theta S_1 + (1-\theta) S_2) X \geq 0$$

2.3 OPERATIONS THAT PRESERVE CONVEXITY

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2.3.1 INTERSECTION!

PROPERTY: IF S_1, S_2 ARE CONVEX, $S_1 \cap S_2$ IS CONVEX
IF FAMILY $\{S_\alpha : \alpha \in A\}$ IS CONVEX, SO IS $\bigcap_{\alpha \in A} S_\alpha$

PROOF: SIMPLE! LET $x_1, x_2 \in S_1 \cap S_2$, $\theta \in [0, 1]$
 $\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \in S_1$ BECAUSE IT IS CONVEX
 $\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \in S_2$ BECAUSE IT IS CONVEX \Rightarrow
 $\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2 \in S_1 \cap S_2$

EXAMPLE 1: POLYHEDRA ARE CONVEX.

EXAMPLE 2: $S_+^m = \bigcap_{z \neq 0} \{x \in S^m \mid z^T x z \geq 0\}$

HALFSPACE WITH RESPECT TO
ELEMENTS OF X .

PROPERTIES: EVERY CLOSED CONVEX SET IS THE
INTERSECTION OF ALL HALFSPACES THAT CONTAIN IT.

$$S = \bigcap \{H \mid H \text{ HALFSPACE, } S \subseteq H\}$$

2.3.2 DEFINITION: $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ IS AFFINE

IF $f(x) = Ax + b, \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \quad b \in \mathbb{R}^m$

PROPERTY: LET $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ CONVEX, $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ AFFINE

THEN $f(S) = \{f(x) \mid x \in S\}$ IS AFFINE

PROOF:

LET $y_1 \in f(S) \quad y_1 = f(x_1) = Ax_1 + b$
 $y_2 \in f(S) \quad y_2 = f(x_2) = Ax_2 + b$

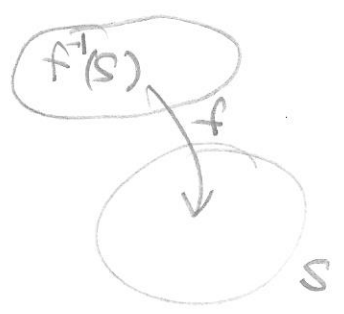
THEN $\theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 = \theta Ax_1 + \theta b + (1-\theta)Ax_2 + (1-\theta)b$
 $= A [\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2] + b$
 $\underbrace{\theta x_1 + (1-\theta)x_2}_{\in S}$
 $\in f(S)$

PROPERTY: LET $f: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$ AFFINE AND $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ CONVEX.

THEN THE INVERSE IMAGE OF S UNDER f IS

CONVEX:

$f^{-1}(S) = \{y \mid f(y) \in S\}$



PROOF: LET

$y_1 \in f^{-1}(S) \Rightarrow f(y_1) \in S$
 $y_2 \in f^{-1}(S) \Rightarrow f(y_2) \in S$

S CONVEX

$\Rightarrow \theta f(y_1) + (1-\theta)f(y_2) \in S \Rightarrow$

$f[\theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2] \in S \Rightarrow$

$\theta y_1 + (1-\theta)y_2 \in f^{-1}(S)$

4) SUM OF TWO SETS, $S_1 + S_2$ IS CONVEX,
 UNDER THE LINEAR FUNCTION $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1 + x_2 \in \mathbb{R}$.
 IN MORE DETAIL: LET S_1, S_2 CONVEX. THEN $S_1 + S_2$ CONVEX.

LET $f(x_1, x_2) = [I \ I] \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = x_1 + x_2$

5) PARTIAL SUM OF $S_1, S_2 \in \mathbb{R}^m \times \mathbb{R}^m$ IS

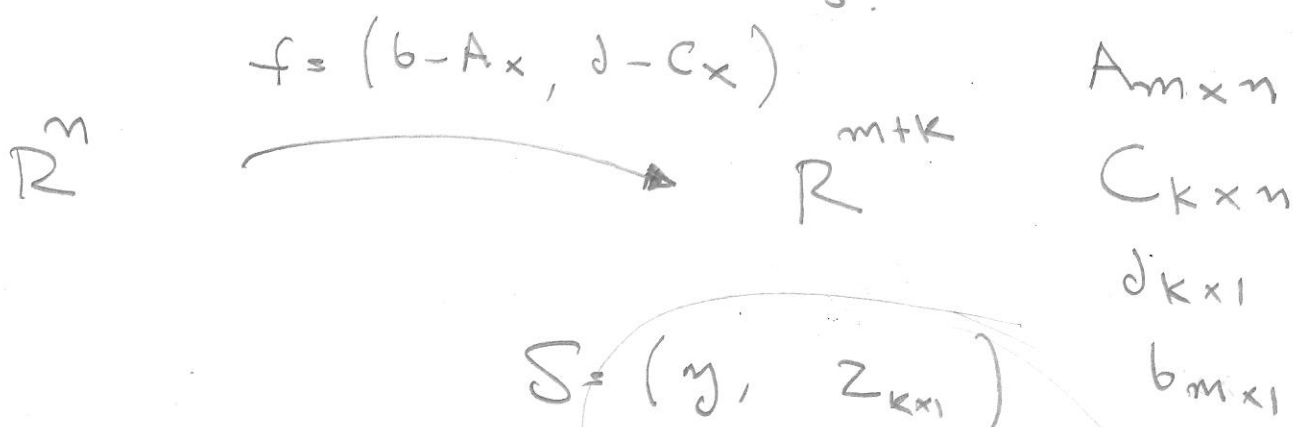
$$S = \{ (x, y_1 + y_2) \mid (x, y_1) \in S_1, (x, y_2) \in S_2 \}$$

WHERE $x \in \mathbb{R}^m, y_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$

NOTE THAT $\begin{cases} m \leq 0: & \text{INTERSECTION} \\ m \geq 0: & \text{SET ADDITION} \end{cases}$

PARTIAL SUM IS ALSO CONVEX.

6) THE POLYHEDRON $\{x \mid Ax \leq b, Cx = d\}$
 IS AN INVERSE IMAGE, AS FOLLOWS:



$S = \left(\begin{matrix} y \\ z_{k \times 1} \end{matrix} \right)$
 $\begin{matrix} \text{0} \\ \text{0} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{0} \\ \text{0} \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \text{0} \\ \text{0} \end{matrix} \dots \begin{matrix} \text{0} \\ \text{0} \end{matrix}$
 $(0, 0, \dots, 0)$

INVERSE IMAGE OF S
 IS $\{x \mid b - Ax \geq 0, d - Cx = 0\}$