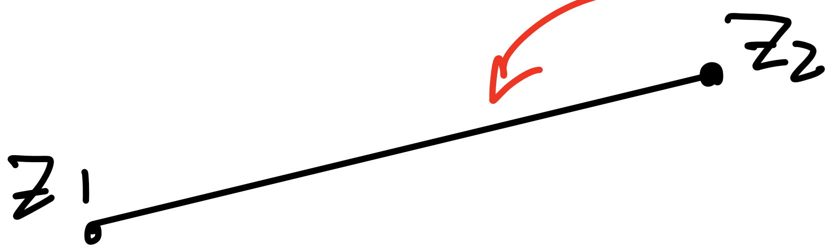
Convex Analysis [V] Chapter 10

Def 1 $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$ is **convex** if

for any $z_1, z_2 \in S$, $\Rightarrow$ $t z_1 + (1-t) z_2 \in S$

$0 \leq t \leq 1$

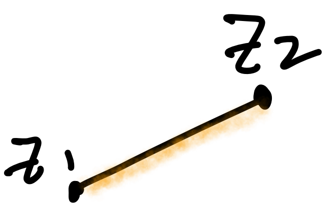


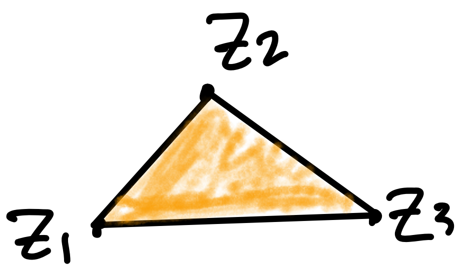
Def 2 **Convex combination** of $z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n \in \mathbb{R}^m$

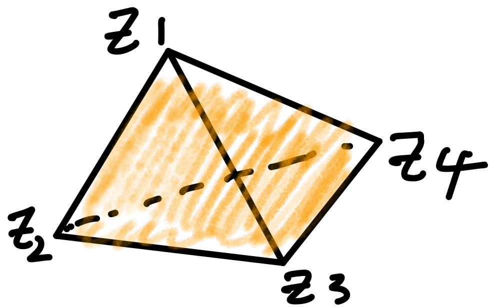
$$t_1 z_1 + t_2 z_2 + \cdots + t_n z_n$$

$t_i \geq 0$

$\sum_i t_i = 1$







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Pf "$\Longleftarrow$"

Suppose S contain all conv. comb. of pts in S, then clearly, for any $z_1, z_2 \in S$

$$\underbrace{t z_1 + (1-t) z_2}_{\text{conv. comb. of } z_1, z_2} \in S$$

$\Rightarrow$ S is convex

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Pf "$\Longrightarrow$" $\underline{\text{Suppose } S \text{ is convex.}}$

$n=2$: $z_1, z_2 \in S \Rightarrow t_1 z_1 + t_2 z_2 \in S$, $t_1, t_2 \geq 0$, $t_1 + t_2 = 1$

$n=3$: $z_1, z_2, z_3 \in S \Longrightarrow$

$$t_1 z_1 + t_2 z_2 + t_3 z_3 = (t_1 + t_2) \overbrace{\left(\frac{t_1}{t_1+t_2} z_1 + \frac{t_2}{t_1+t_2} z_2 \right)}^{\in S} + t_3 z_3 \in S$$

$t_1 + t_2 + t_3 = 1$

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$(t_1 + t_2 + t_3) + t_4 = 1$

$t_1 + t_2 + t_3 \geq 0, \quad t_4 \geq 0$

Def $S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$, Convex Hull of S,

$$\mathrm{Conv}(S) = \bigcap_{\substack{G \text{ convex},\ S \subseteq G}} G$$

(= Smallest convex set containing S)

(Note intersection of convex set is convex.)

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$$\text{s.t.} \quad AX = Z$$

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$$x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n$$

(Z is given, fixed, $A = [z_1 \ z_2 \ \cdots \ z_n]^{m \times n}$)

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$$\text{s.t.} \quad \left.\begin{array}{l} Ax = z \\ x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n = 1 \end{array}\right\} \text{$m+1$ constraints.}$$

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$$

This is feasible, and hence has a basic opt. soln with $m+1$ basic variables.

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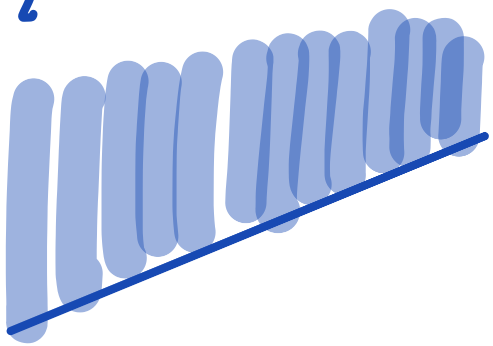

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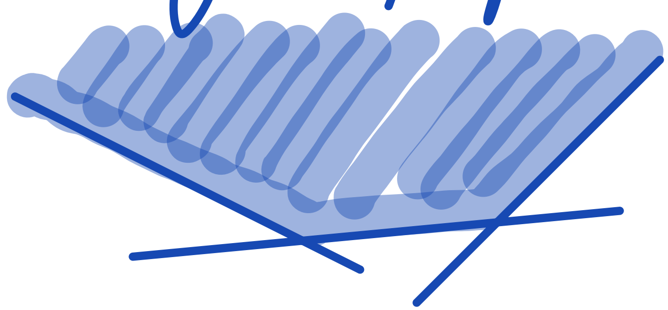

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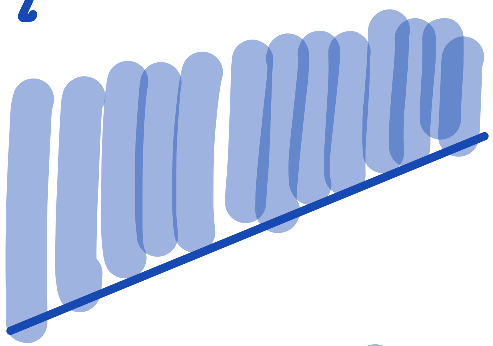

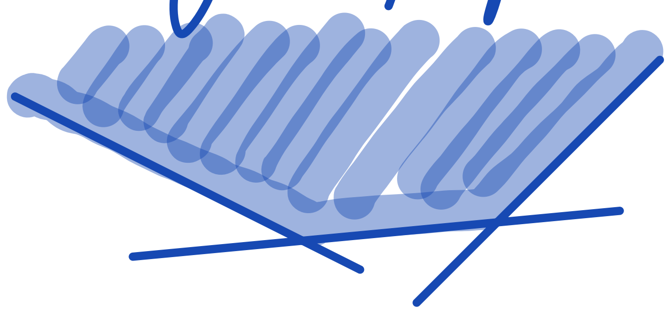

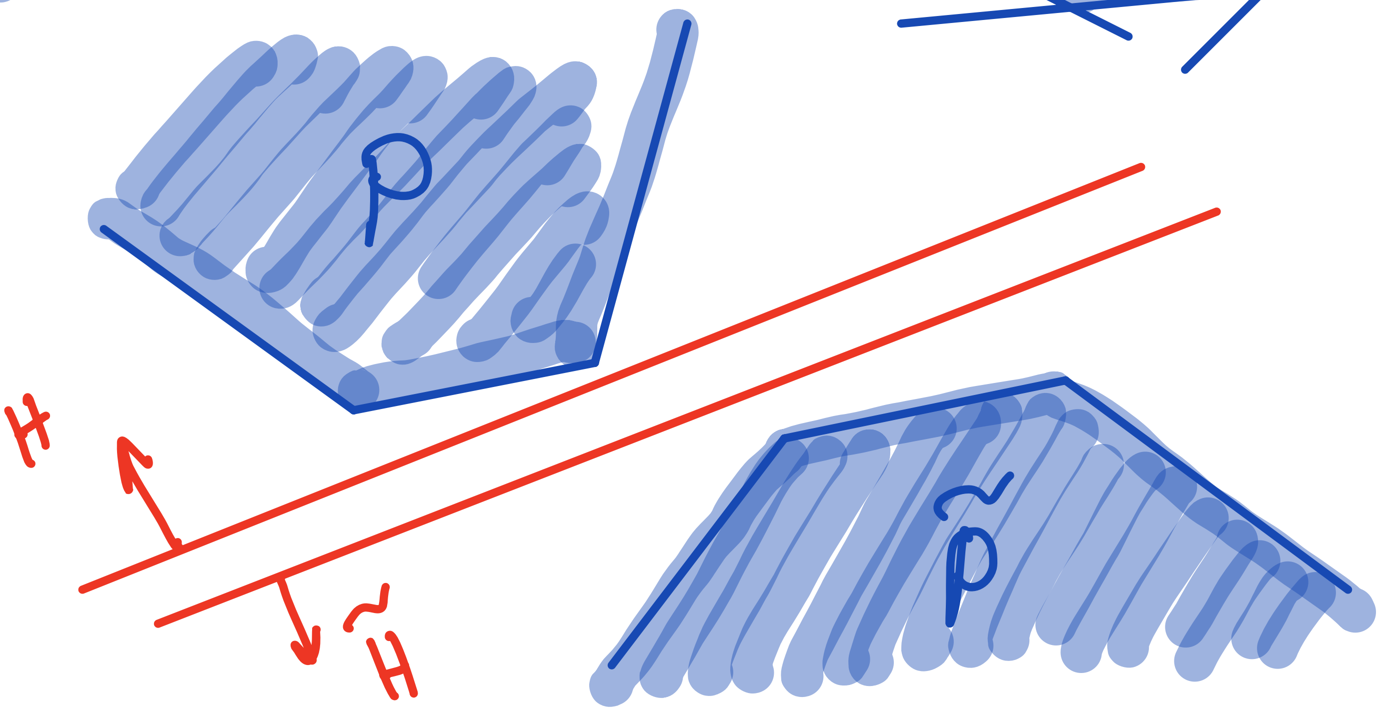

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(Farka's Lemma) $\iff$ There is a $y, \tilde{y}$ s.t.

$$y^T A + \tilde{y}^T \tilde{A} = 0$$

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Define

$H := \{x : y^T A x \leq y^T b\}$, $\tilde{H} := \{x : \tilde{y}^T \tilde{A} x \leq \tilde{y}^T \tilde{b}\}$

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PROOF. Consider the linear program

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{maximize} & 0 \\ \text{subject to} & Ax \leq b \end{array}$$

and its dual

$$\begin{array}{lrcl} \text{minimize} & b^T y & & \\ \text{subject to} & A^T y & = & 0 \\ & y & \geq & 0. \end{array}$$