

# LCoP Part II – Preliminaries and Convex Cone Structures

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# Preliminaries and Convex Cone Structures

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- Vectors, Matrices, and Spaces
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- Open, Closed, Interior, and Boundary Sets
- Functions
- Linear Systems
- Convex Sets and Functions

# Vectors, Matrices and Spaces

- Real numbers:  $\mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $\mathbb{R}_{++}$
- Euclidean space:  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- First orthant:  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$
- $n$ -dimensional (column) vector:

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)^T$$

- Matrices space:  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$
- Matrix:  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $i$ th row  $M_{i.}$ ,  $j$ th column  $M_{.j}$ ,  $ij$ th entry  $M_{ij}$  ( $M_{i,j}$ )
- Symmetric square matrices space ( $n(n+1)/2$ -dimensional space):

$$\mathcal{S}^n = \{M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n} \mid M = M^T\}.$$

# Vectors, Matrices and Spaces

Given  $M \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $N \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$ ,  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$

- Determinant:  $\det(S)$
- Trace:  $\text{tr}(S)$

$$\text{tr}(MN) = \text{tr}(NM)$$

- Null space:  $\mathcal{N}(M) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | Mx = 0\}$ .
- Range space:  $\mathcal{R}(M) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^m | y = Mx \text{ for some } x \in \mathbb{R}^n\}$ .
- Positive semidefinite matrix:

$$S \succeq 0 \iff z^T S z \geq 0, \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- Positive definite matrix:

$$S \succ 0 \iff z^T S z > 0, \forall z \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } z \neq 0$$

# Vectors, Matrices and Spaces

Theorem: (Schur complementary theorem)

Given

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ B^T & C \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } S = C - B^T A^{-1} B,$$

if  $A \succ 0$  then

$$X \succeq (\succ) 0 \Leftrightarrow S \succeq (\succ) 0$$

# Inner Products and Norms

- Inner products:

$$x \bullet y = x^T y = \sum_i x_i y_i$$

$$X \bullet Y = \text{tr}(X^T Y) = \sum_{i,j} X_{ij} Y_{ij}$$

- Norms:

- Euclidean norm:  $\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{x \bullet x}$
- $p$ -norm:  $\|x\|_p = (\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p)^{1/p}$  for  $p \geq 1$
- Infinity-norm:  $\|x\|_\infty = \max\{|x_1|, \dots, |x_n|\}$
- Frobenius norm:

$$\|X\|_F = \sqrt{X \bullet X} = \sqrt{\text{tr}(X^T X)}$$

- Note that:  $x^T A x = A \bullet x x^T$

# Open, Closed, Interior and Boundary Sets

- **Neighborhood:**  $N(x^0; \epsilon) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid \|x - x^0\| < \epsilon\}$ .
- **Open:**  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is open if for any  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ , there exists  $\epsilon > 0$  such that  $N(x; \epsilon) \subset \mathcal{X}$ .
- **Closed:**  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is closed, if  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \mathcal{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x \notin \mathcal{X}\}$  is open.
- **Closure** of a set  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is the smallest closed set containing  $\mathcal{X}$  and is denoted as  $\text{cl}(\mathcal{X})$ .

# Open, Closed, Interior and Boundary Sets

- **Interior:** the interior of a given set  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is

$$\text{int}(\mathcal{X}) = \{x \in \mathcal{X} | \exists \epsilon_x > 0 \text{ such that } N(x; \epsilon_x) \subset \mathcal{X}\}$$

- **Boundary** of a set  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ :

$$\text{bdry}(\mathcal{X}) = \text{cl}(\mathcal{X}) \setminus \text{int}(\mathcal{X}) = \{x \in \text{cl}(\mathcal{X}) | x \notin \text{int}(\mathcal{X})\}$$

- **Bounded:** a set  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is bounded if there exist an  $r > 0$  such that

$$\|x\| < r, \forall x \in \mathcal{X}$$



# Functions

- **Continuous:**  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is continuous at  $x^0$  if
  - (i)  $x^0 \in \mathcal{X}$
  - (ii)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x^0} f(x) = f(x^0)$
- **Continuous function:**  $f \in C^0(\mathcal{X})$  means  $f$  is continuous at all points in  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .
- **Gradient:** For  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\nabla f(x) = \left[ \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x_n} \right]_{1 \times n}$$

- **Hessian:** For  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$F(x) = \left[ \frac{\partial^2 f(x)}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} \right]_{n \times n}$$

- **Continuously differentiable function:**  $f \in C^p(\mathcal{X})$  ( $p = 1, 2, \dots$ ) means  $f$  is  $p$ -th continuously differentiable over  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ .

# Functions

## Theorem (Taylor theorem)

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be open,  $f \in C^p(\mathcal{X})$ ,  $x^1, x^2 \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $x^1 \neq x^2$  and

$$x(\theta) = \theta x^1 + (1 - \theta)x^2 \in \mathcal{X}, \forall 0 \leq \theta \leq 1.$$

Then  $\exists \bar{x} = \bar{\theta}x^1 + (1 - \bar{\theta})x^2 \in \mathcal{X}$ ,  $0 < \bar{\theta} < 1$ , s.t.

$$f(x^2) = f(x^1) + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{1}{k!} d^k f(x^1; x^2 - x^1) + \frac{1}{p!} d^p f(\bar{x}; x^2 - x^1)$$

where  $d^k f(x; h)$  is the  $k$ -th order differential of function  $f$  along  $h$ .

# Functions: Big $O$ and Small $o$

Let  $g(\cdot)$  be a real-valued function on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

- $g(x) = O(m(x))$

$\exists c \geq 0$  such that

$$\left| \frac{g(x)}{m(x)} \right| \leq c \text{ as } x \rightarrow 0 \text{ (or } +\infty)$$

- $g(x) = o(m(x))$

$$\left| \frac{g(x)}{m(x)} \right| = 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow 0 \text{ (or } +\infty)$$

# Functions

Taylor theorem in small  $o$  formulation:

- $p = 1$

$$f(x + h) = f(x) + \nabla f(x)h + o(\|h\|)$$

- $p = 2$

$$f(x + h) = f(x) + \nabla f(x)h + \frac{1}{2}h^T F(x)h + o(\|h\|^2)$$

# Linear Systems

Given  $x^1, \dots, x^m \in \mathbb{R}^n$

- **Linear combination:**

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i x^i,$$

where  $\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, \dots, m$ .

- **Linearly independent**

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i x^i = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_m = 0$$

- **Affine combination:** a linear combination with

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i = 1$$

- **Affinely independent:** if  $x^2 - x^1, \dots, x^m - x^1$  are linearly independent.

# Linear Systems

- **Convex combination**: a linear combination with

$$\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i = 1 \text{ and } \lambda_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, m$$

- **Hyperplane**:

$$\mathcal{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | a^T x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i = b\}$$

- **Affine space**: affine combination of any two points in the space is still in the space. (An intersection of finitely many hyperplanes.)
- **Linear subspace**: an affine space containing the origin.

We can always **transform** an affine space  $\mathcal{Y} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  into a linear subspace  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  by choosing  $x^0 \in \mathcal{Y}$  such that

$$\mathcal{X} = \{x - x^0 | x \in \mathcal{Y}\}$$

# Linear Systems

- Half space:

$$\mathcal{X} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid a^T x = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i \leq b\}$$

- Polyhedron: an intersection of finitely many half spaces.
- Polytope: a bounded polyhedron
- Dimension of a linear subspace: the maximum number of linearly independent vectors in the subspace.
- Dimension of an affine space: the dimension of the transformed linear subspace.
- Dimension of a polyhedron: the dimension of the smallest affine space containing it.

# Linear Systems

- Linear equations

$$\begin{array}{rcl} a^1 \bullet x & = & b_1 \\ a^2 \bullet x & = & b_2 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ a^m \bullet x & = & b_m \end{array} \Rightarrow Ax = b,$$

where  $a^1, \dots, a^m$  and  $x$  are all in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

$$\begin{array}{rcl} A_1 \bullet X & = & b_1 \\ A_2 \bullet X & = & b_2 \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ A_m \bullet X & = & b_m \end{array} \Rightarrow AX = b,$$

where  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  and  $X$  are all in  $\mathcal{S}^n$ .

- For convenience,  $A^*y = \sum_{i=1}^m y_i A_i$ .



# Convex Sets and Properties

- A set  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is **convex** if for any  $x^1 \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $x^2 \in \mathcal{X}$ , we have  $\lambda x^1 + (1 - \lambda)x^2 \in \mathcal{X}$ , for all  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ .
- **Convex hull**: the smallest convex set containing a given set

$$\text{conv}(\mathcal{X}) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | x = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i y^i \text{ for some } m \in \mathbb{N}_+, \\ \lambda_i \geq 0, \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i = 1, \text{ and } y^i \in \mathcal{X}, i = 1, \dots, m\}$$

- **Dimension of a convex set**: the dimension of the smallest affine space containing it.
- **Relative interior** of a convex set  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ : suppose  $\mathcal{H}$  is the smallest affine space containing  $\mathcal{X}$ ,

$$\text{ri}(\mathcal{X}) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | \exists \text{ open set } \mathcal{Y} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \text{ such that } x \in \mathcal{Y} \cap \mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{X}\}$$

- **Supporting hyperplane**  $\mathcal{H} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | a^T x = b\}$  of a convex set  $\mathcal{X}$ :

$$a^T y \geq b, \forall y \in \mathcal{X} \text{ and } \mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{H} \neq \emptyset.$$

# Convex Functions and Properties

- **Epigraph** of a function  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$\text{epi}f = \{(x, \lambda) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} | \lambda \geq f(x), x \in \mathcal{X}\}$$

- **Closed function**: if  $\text{epi}f$  is a closed set.
- **Convex function**: if  $\text{epi}f$  is a convex set.
- **Concave function**: if  $-f$  is a convex function.
- **Convex hull function**  $\text{conv}(f)$  of a function  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function on  $\mathcal{X}$  such that  $\text{epi}(\text{conv}(f)) = \text{conv}(\text{epi}(f))$ .

## Lemma

$f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a convex function if and only if for any  $x^1, x^2 \in \mathcal{X}$  and  $0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$ , we have

$$f(\lambda x^1 + (1 - \lambda)x^2) \leq \lambda f(x^1) + (1 - \lambda)f(x^2).$$

# Convex Functions and Properties

- **Subgradient**  $d \in \mathbb{R}^n$  of a convex function  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  at  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ :  
if for any  $y \in \mathcal{X}$ ,

$$f(y) \geq f(x) + d^T(y - x)$$

- The set  $\{(y, \lambda) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} | \lambda - d^T y = f(x) - d^T x\}$  is a *supporting hyperplane* of  $\text{epi} f$  at  $x$ .
- **Subdifferential** of a convex function  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  at  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ :

$$\partial f(x) = \{d \in \mathbb{R}^n | d \text{ is a subgradient of } f \text{ at } x\}$$

# Convex Functions and Properties

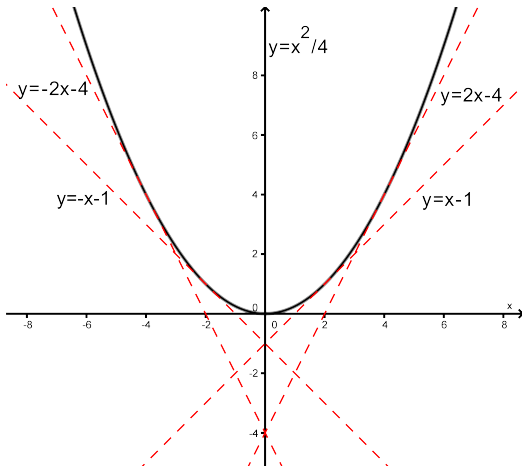


Figure:  $(x, f(x)) \leftrightarrow (m, b)$  or  $(y, h(y))$

# Convex Functions and Properties

- Conjugate (transform) of  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ :

$$h(y) = \sup_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \{y \bullet x - f(x)\}$$

with  $h$  being defined on  $\mathcal{Y} = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n | h(y) < +\infty\}$ .

## Lemma

$h : \mathcal{Y}$  is a closed, convex function.

## Lemma (Fenchel's inequality)

Given  $f : \mathcal{X}$  and its conjugate  $h : \mathcal{Y}$ , then

$$x \bullet y \leq f(x) + h(y), \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{X} \text{ and } y \in \mathcal{Y}.$$

Moreover,

$$x \bullet y = f(x) + h(y) \iff y \in \partial f(x)$$

# Conjugate Functions and Properties

Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function with its conjugate transform  $h : \mathcal{Y}$ .

- For  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , the conjugate of  $f + \alpha$  is  $h - \alpha$ .
- For  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the conjugate of  $\tilde{f}(x) = f(x) + x \bullet a$  on  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $\tilde{h}(y) = h(y - a)$ ,  $\forall y \in \mathcal{Y}$ .
- For  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the conjugate of  $\bar{f}(x) = f(x - a)$  on  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $\bar{h}(y) = h(y) + y \bullet a$ ,  $\forall y \in \mathcal{Y}$ .
- For  $\lambda > 0$ , the conjugate of  $f_1(x) = \lambda f(x)$  on  $\mathcal{X}$  is  $h_1(y) = \lambda h(\frac{y}{\lambda})$ ,  $\forall y \in \lambda \mathcal{Y}$ .
- For  $\lambda > 0$ , the conjugate of  $f_2(x) = f(\frac{x}{\lambda})$  on  $\lambda \mathcal{X}$  is  $h_2(y) = h(\lambda y)$ ,  $\forall y \in \mathcal{Y}/\lambda$ .

## Theorem

Assume that  $f_1 : \mathcal{X}$  and  $f_2 : \mathcal{X}$  have the same convex hull function. Then they have the same conjugate transform  $h : \mathcal{Y}$  when it exists.

# Conjugate Functions and Properties

We know the dual problem of LD is LP again. **When will the conjugate transform of  $h : \mathcal{Y}$  become  $f : \mathcal{X}$ ?**

## Proper function

A convex function  $f$  is **proper** if its epigraph is non-empty and contains no vertical lines, i.e. if  $f(x) < +\infty$  for at least one  $x$  and  $f(x) > -\infty$  for every  $x$ .

## Theorem

Let  $f : \mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a proper closed convex function with conjugate transform  $h : \mathcal{Y}$ . Then the conjugate transform of  $h : \mathcal{Y}$  is  $f : \mathcal{X}$ . Moreover,  $y \in \partial f(x)$  if and only if  $x \in \partial h(y)$ . In this case,

$$x \bullet y = f(x) + h(y) \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad y \in \partial f(x) \text{ or } x \in \partial h(y)$$

# Convex Cone Structure

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## Content

- Convex Cones and Properties
- Partial Order and Ordered Vector Space
- Some Examples



# Convex Cones and Properties

- A set  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a **cone** if

$$\forall x \in K \text{ and } \lambda > 0 \Rightarrow \lambda x \in K;$$

- A cone  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is **pointed** if

$$K \cap -K = \{0\};$$

- A cone  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is **solid** if

$$\text{int}K \neq \emptyset;$$

- A cone  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is **proper** if it is pointed, solid, closed and convex.

# Convex Cones and Properties

- **Conic combination**: a linear combination  $\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i x^i$  with  $\lambda_i \geq 0$ ,  $x^i \in \mathbb{R}^n$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, m$ .
- The **conic hull** of a set  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is

$$\text{cone}(\mathcal{X}) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x = \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i x^i, \text{ for some } m \in \mathbb{N}_+ \text{ and } x^i \in \mathcal{X}, \lambda_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, m.\}$$

- The **dual cone**  $K^* \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  of a cone  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is

$$K^* = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid y \bullet x \geq 0, \forall x \in K\}$$

$K^*$  is a *closed, convex* cone.

- If  $K^* = K$ , then  $K$  is a **self-dual cone**.

# Convex Cones and Properties

$K, K_1, K_2$  are convex cones in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

- $(K^*)^* = \text{cl}(K)$ .
- $K_1 \subseteq K_2 \Rightarrow K_2^* \subseteq K_1^*$ .
- $K_1 \cap K_2, K_1 \cup K_2, K_1 + K_2, K_1 \times K_2$  are all cones.
- $(K_1 + K_2)^* = K_1^* \cap K_2^*$ .
- $K_1, K_2$  closed  $\Rightarrow K_1 + K_2$  and  $K_1 \times K_2$  are closed.
- $\text{ri}(K_1 + K_2) = \text{ri}(K_1) + \text{ri}(K_2)$ .
- $\text{ri}(K_1 \times K_2) = \text{ri}(K_1) \times \text{ri}(K_2)$ .
- The supporting hyperplane of  $K$  always contains the origin
- If  $K$  is solid, then  $K^*$  is pointed.
- If  $K$  is pointed, then  $K^*$  is solid.
- If  $K$  is proper, then  $K^*$  is proper.

# Convex Cones and Properties

- $\mathbb{R}_+^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{L}^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\mathcal{S}_+^n \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are pointed, closed, convex and solid cones, i.e., proper cones.
- $(\mathbb{R}_+^n)^* = \mathbb{R}_+^n$ ,  $(\mathcal{L}^n)^* = \mathcal{L}^n$ ,  $(\mathcal{S}_+^n)^* = \mathcal{S}_+^n$ .
- $\mathbb{R}_+^{n_1} \times \mathbb{R}_+^{n_2} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{R}_+^{n_k}$  is a proper cone in  $\mathbb{R}^{\sum_{i=1}^k n_i}$ .
- $\mathcal{L}^{n_1} \times \mathcal{L}^{n_2} \times \cdots \times \mathcal{L}^{n_k}$  is a proper cone in  $\mathbb{R}^{\sum_{i=1}^k n_i}$ .
- $\mathcal{S}_+^{n_1} \times \mathcal{S}_+^{n_2} \times \cdots \times \mathcal{S}_+^{n_k}$  is a proper cone in  $\mathbb{R}^{\sum_{i=1}^k n_i \times n_i}$ .
- $\mathbb{R}_+^{n_1} \times \mathcal{L}^{n_2} \times \mathcal{S}_+^{n_3}$  is a proper cone in  $\mathbb{R}^{n_1 + n_2 + n_3 \times n_3}$ .

# Partial Order and Ordered Vector Space

- A relation “ $\geq$ ” is a **partial order** on a set  $\mathcal{X}$  if it has:
  1. *reflexivity*:  $a \geq a$  for all  $a \in \mathcal{X}$ ;
  2. *antisymmetry*:  $a \geq b$  and  $b \geq a$  imply  $a = b$ ;
  3. *transitivity*:  $a \geq b$  and  $b \geq c$  imply  $a \geq c$ .
- An **ordered vector space**  $\mathcal{X}$  is equipped with a partial order “ $\geq$ ” which also satisfies:
  - *homogeneity*:  $a \geq b$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$  imply  $\lambda a \geq \lambda b$ ;
  - *additivity*:  $a \geq b$  and  $c \geq d$  imply  $a + c \geq b + d$ .

# Partial Order and Ordered Vector Space

- A *proper* cone  $K$  in a vector space can induce a partial order “ $\geq_K$ ”

$$a \geq_K b \Leftrightarrow a - b \in K$$

which leads to an ordered vector space.

- Similarly, we can define “ $\leq_K$ ”

$$a \leq_K b \Leftrightarrow b \geq_K a,$$

- *Closeness* of  $K$  allows passing **limits** in  $\geq_K$ :

$$a^i \geq_K b^i, a^i \rightarrow a, b^i \rightarrow b \text{ as } i \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow a \geq_K b.$$

- *Solidness* of  $K$  allows us to define a **strict** inequality:

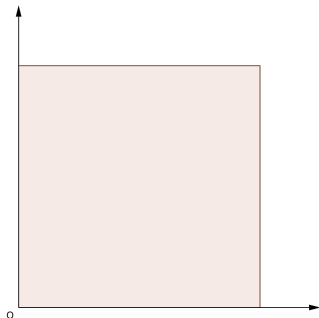
$$a >_K b \Leftrightarrow a - b \in \text{int}K,$$

and

$$a <_K b \Leftrightarrow b >_K a.$$

# Examples: $\mathbb{R}_+^n$

- $\mathbb{R}_+^n$  is a proper cone.
- Inner product:  $x \bullet y = x^T y$
- $(\mathbb{R}_+^n)^* = \mathbb{R}_+^n$  (self-dual)
- Partial order: " $\succeq_{\mathbb{R}_+^n}$ "

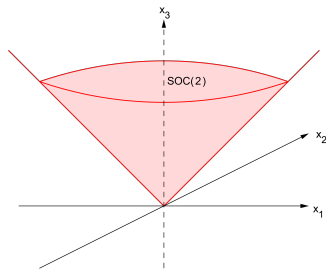


# Examples: $\mathcal{L}^n$

- $\mathcal{L}^n / \text{SOC}(n-1)$  Lorentz cone (second order cone)

$$\mathcal{L}^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n \geq \sqrt{x_1^2 + \cdots + x_{n-1}^2}\}$$

- $\mathcal{L}^n$  is a proper cone.
- Inner product:  $x \bullet y = x^T y$
- $(\mathcal{L}^n)^* = \mathcal{L}^n$  (self-dual)
- Partial order: " $\geq_{\mathcal{L}^n}$ "





# Examples: $\mathcal{S}_+^n$

- $\mathcal{S}_+^n \subset \mathcal{S}^n$ : the set of symmetric positive semidefinite matrices
- $\mathcal{S}_+^n$  is a proper cone.
- Inner product:

$$X \bullet Y = \text{tr}(X^T Y)$$

- *Another view:*

$$\text{vec}(X) = [X_{11}, \sqrt{2}X_{12}, X_{22}, \sqrt{2}X_{13}, \sqrt{2}X_{23}, X_{33}, \dots, X_{nn}]^T \in \mathbb{R}^{\frac{n(n+1)}{2}}$$

Then

$$X \bullet Y = \text{vec}(X) \bullet \text{vec}(Y) = \sum_{i,j} X_{ij} Y_{ij}$$

- Partial order: “ $\succeq_{\mathcal{S}_+^n}$ ” or “ $\succeq$ ”

# Examples: $\mathcal{S}_+^n$

## Lemma

$$(\mathcal{S}_+^n)^* = \mathcal{S}_+^n \text{ (self-dual)}$$

## Proof.

“ $\subseteq$ ”: If  $X \in (\mathcal{S}_+^n)^*$ , then  $z^T X z = X \bullet z z^T \geq 0$ , for all  $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Therefore,  $X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n$ .

“ $\supseteq$ ”: For any  $Y \in \mathcal{S}_+^n$ ,

$$Y = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i z^i (z^i)^T,$$

with  $\lambda_i \geq 0$ .

If  $X \in \mathcal{S}_+^n$ , then

$$X \bullet Y = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i X \bullet z^i (z^i)^T = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (z^i)^T X z^i \geq 0.$$

Therefore,  $X \in (\mathcal{S}_+^n)^*$ .

# Examples: $\mathcal{C}_n$ and $\mathcal{C}_n^*$

- Copositive cone:

$$\mathcal{C}_n = \{X \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid z^T X z \geq 0, \forall z \geq_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} 0\}$$

- Completely positive(nonnegative) cone:

$$\mathcal{C}_n^* = \left\{ X \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid \begin{array}{l} X = \sum_{i=1}^m z^i (z^i)^T, \text{ for some } m \in \mathbb{N}_+ \\ \text{and } z^i \geq_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} 0, i = 1, \dots, m \end{array} \right\}$$

- $(\mathcal{C}_n)^* = \mathcal{C}_n^*$  and  $\mathcal{C}_n = (\mathcal{C}_n^*)^*$
- $\mathcal{C}_n^* \subset \mathcal{S}_+^n \subset \mathcal{C}_n$

# Examples: Cones of Nonnegative Quadratic Functions — Homogeneous

- $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$
- Nonnegative homogeneous quadratic functions over  $\mathcal{F}$

$$f(x) = x^T A x \geq 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$f \Leftrightarrow A$$

- $\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}} = \{A \in \mathcal{S}^n \mid x^T A x \geq 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{F}\}$  is a closed, convex cone.
- (i) Closeness:

$$x^T A_i x \geq 0 \text{ and } A_i \rightarrow A \Rightarrow x^T A x \geq 0$$

(ii) Convexity:

$$x^T A_i x \geq 0, i = 1, 2 \Rightarrow x^T (\lambda A_1 + (1 - \lambda) A_2) x \geq 0, \forall 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1$$

# Examples: Cones of Nonnegative Quadratic Functions — Homogeneous

- $\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}}^* = \text{cl}(\text{cone}\{xx^T | x \in \mathcal{F}\})$
- $(\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}})^* = \mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}}^*$  and  $(\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}}^*)^* = \mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}}$
- Examples:
  - $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}}^* = \mathcal{S}_+^n$
  - $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}_+^n$   
 $\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{C}_n$  and  $\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}}^* = \mathcal{C}_n^*$
  - $\mathcal{F} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n | e^T x = 1\}$   
 $\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{C}_n$  and  $\mathcal{HD}_{\mathcal{F}}^* = \mathcal{C}_n^*$

# Examples: Cones of Nonnegative Quadratic Functions — Nonhomogeneous

- Nonnegative quadratic functions over  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$$f(x) = x^T A x + 2b^T x + c \geq 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{F}$$

$$f \Leftrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} c & b^T \\ b & A \end{bmatrix}$$

- $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}} = \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} c & b^T \\ b & A \end{bmatrix} \in \mathcal{S}^{n+1} \mid \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} c & b^T \\ b & A \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ x \end{bmatrix} \geq 0, \forall x \in \mathcal{F} \right\}$  is a closed, convex cone.
- $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}^* = \text{cl}(\text{cone}\{ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x^T \\ x & x x^T \end{bmatrix} \mid x \in \mathcal{F} \})$
- $(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}^*)^* = \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}$  and  $(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}})^* = \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}^*$

# Examples: Cones of Nonnegative Quadratic Functions — Nonhomogeneous

- Examples:

- $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}^n$

- $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}^* = \mathcal{S}_+^{n+1}$

- $\mathcal{F} = \mathbb{R}_+^n$

- $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}} = \mathcal{C}_{n+1}$  and  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{F}}^* = \mathcal{C}_{n+1}^*$