

Let  $V$  be the vector space  $\mathbb{R}^n$

A convex polyhedral cone is a set  $\sigma = \left( r_1 v_1 + \dots + r_s v_s \in V : r_i \geq 0 \right)$  generated by any finite set of vectors  $v_1, \dots, v_s$  in  $V$ .

*sigma*  
linear comb. w. non neg. coefficients  
vectors

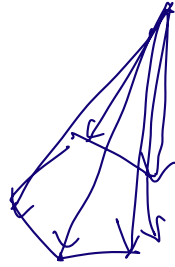
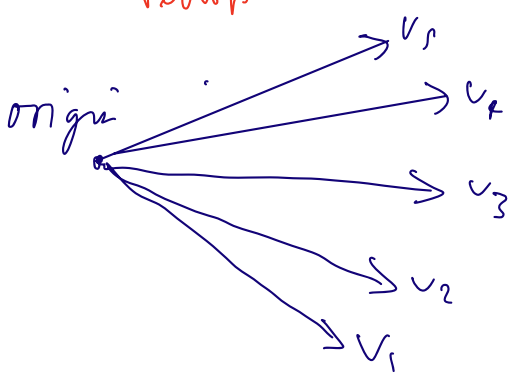


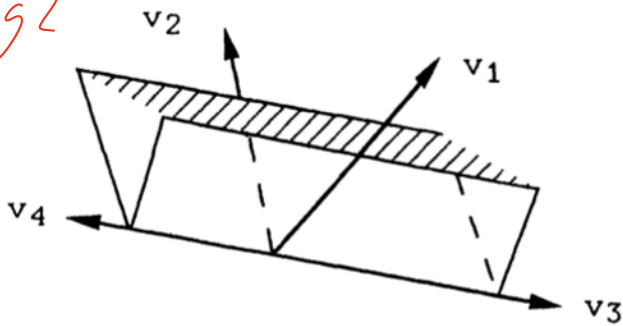
fig 1

As per P's def<sup>n</sup> last week

A strongly convex polyhedral cone has the additional property *sigma*

if  $0 \neq v \in \sigma$ , then  $-v \notin \sigma$

fig 2



These positive multiples of some  $v_i$  are called generators for the cone  $\sigma$ .

[ You can also describe cones as intersections of half spaces ]

The dimension  $\dim(\sigma)$  of  $\sigma$  is the dimension of the linear space

$$\mathbb{R} \cdot \sigma = \dim(\text{Span}(\sigma)) \text{ spanned by } \sigma.$$

The dual <sup>Cone</sup>  $\sigma^\vee$  of any set  $\sigma$  is the set of eq<sup>n</sup>s of supporting hyperplanes.

eg.  $\sigma^\vee = (u \in V^* : \langle u, v \rangle \geq 0 \text{ for all } v \in \sigma)$

↖ dot product

$$V^* := V = \mathbb{R}^n$$

(\*)

If  $\sigma$  is convex polyhedral cone &  $v_0 \notin \sigma$  then there is <sup>some</sup>  $u_0 \in \sigma^\vee$  with  $\langle u_0, v_0 \rangle < 0$

where dot product is less than zero.

This fact is important because consequences include:

1) duality theorem:

$$(\sigma^\vee)^\vee = \sigma$$

"dual of your dual of your cone is the cone"

A face  $\tau$  of  $\sigma$  is the intersection of  $\sigma$  with any supporting hyperplane

$$\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp = \{v \in \sigma : \langle u, v \rangle = 0\} \text{ for some } u \text{ in } \sigma^\vee. \quad \perp = \text{perp}$$

A cone is regarded as a face of itself.

That will be when  $\tau = \{\vec{0}\}$ , then we get  $\sigma$  is a face of itself. The others

are called proper faces.

NB Any linear subspace of every face of the cone is a cone is contained in every face of the cone. eg. line / full plane.

(show line in Fig 2.)

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Any face is also a convex polyhedral cone.

Given  $x \in \sigma$ ,  $a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n = x$   $\sigma = \langle v_1, \dots, v_n \rangle$

Let  $u \in \sigma^\vee$  and consider  $\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp$

Then  $x \in \tau$  imply

$$\begin{aligned} \langle u, x \rangle &= \langle u, a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_n v_n \rangle \\ &= \underbrace{a_1}_{\geq 0} \langle u, v_1 \rangle + \dots + \underbrace{a_n}_{\geq 0} \langle u, v_n \rangle \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Thus either  $a_1 = \dots = a_n = 0$  or at least one of  $\langle u, v_i \rangle = 0$

If  $v_{i_1}, \dots, v_{i_k}$  are those yielding 0

$$\tau = \langle v_{i_1}, \dots, v_{i_k} \rangle$$

So there are finite subsets of  $\tau$  & therefore finitely many faces.

3) **Any intersection of faces is also a face.**

$$\underbrace{\sigma \cap u_i^\perp}_{\substack{x \in \sigma \text{ and} \\ \text{let } x \in \sigma, \text{ then } \langle x, u_i \rangle = 0 \ (\forall i)}}$$

$$u = \sum u_i \quad \langle x, u \rangle = \langle x, \sum u_i \rangle \stackrel{\langle x, u_i \rangle = 0}{=} 0$$

$$\sigma \cap u_i^\perp \supseteq \underbrace{\sigma \cap (\sum u_i)^\perp}_{y \in \sigma \text{ and } \langle y, \sum u_i \rangle = 0}$$

$$y \in \sigma \text{ and } \langle y, \sum u_i \rangle = 0$$

we know  $u_1, \dots, u_n \in \sigma^\vee$  and  $y \in \sigma$   
so  $\langle y, u_i \rangle \geq 0 \ (\forall i)$

thus if  $\langle y, u_i \rangle > 0$ , then  $\langle y, \sum u_i \rangle$   
WLOG

$$= \underbrace{\langle y, u_1 \rangle}_{> 0} + \underbrace{\langle y, \sum_{i=2}^n u_i \rangle}_{\geq 0}$$

CONTRA.  $\geq 0$

4) **Any face of a face is a face.**

In fact, if  $\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp$  and  $\gamma = \tau \cap (u')^\perp$  for  $u \in \sigma^\vee$  and  $u' \in \tau^\vee$ , then for large positive  $p$ ,  $u' + pu$  is in  $\sigma^\vee$  and  $\gamma = \sigma \cap (u' + pu)^\perp$ .

It's easier to be a dual of  $\tau$  because there are fewer conditions to satisfy compared to being a dual of sigma so therefore the set is potentially larger.

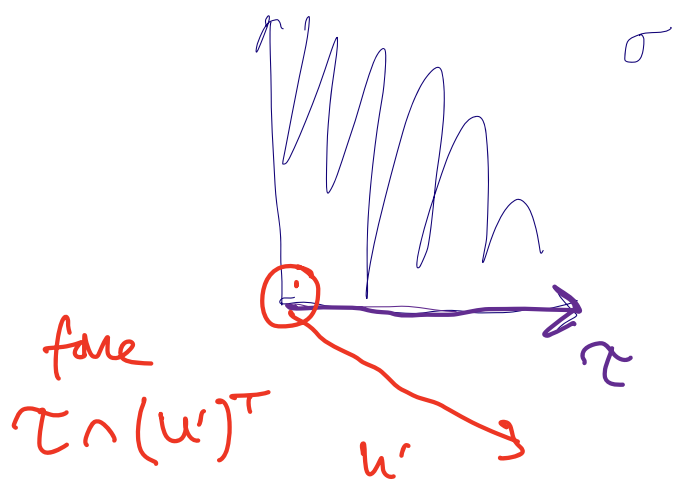
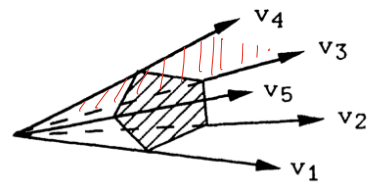
The large positive is used to overcome that.

WTS  $u' + pu \in \sigma^\vee$  let  $v \in \sigma$

$$\langle u' + pu, v \rangle = \underbrace{\langle u', v \rangle}_{\geq 0, \text{ done}} + p \underbrace{\langle u, v \rangle}_{\geq 0 \text{ b } u \in \sigma^\perp}$$

if  $< 0$  then must be  
 large enough to force  
 sum  $\geq 0$

A facet is a face of codimension one



$$v \in \sigma \rightarrow v = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underbrace{\langle u' + \rho u, v \rangle}_{\in \sigma^v} \quad x, y \geq 0$$

$$= \left\langle \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \rho \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} \right\rangle$$

$$= \underbrace{x}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{(\rho - 1)y}_{\geq 0} \geq 0$$

$$\rho \geq 0$$

$$\rho - 1 \geq 0$$

$$\rho \geq 1$$

5) Any proper face is contained in some facet.

① - maybe just say this and the proof involves quotient spaces.

$$\dim(\sigma) = \dim(V)$$

Cone                      Space spanned

$$\dim(\tau) = \dim(W)$$

Assume  $\underbrace{\dim(\sigma) - \dim(\tau)}_{\text{codimension}} \geq 2$

we don't need to worry about when the co. d = 1 because then facet = proper face

The images  $\bar{v}_i$  in  $V/W$  of the generators of  $\sigma$  are contained in a half-space determined by  $u$ .

$$u \in \sigma^\vee$$

and  $\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp$

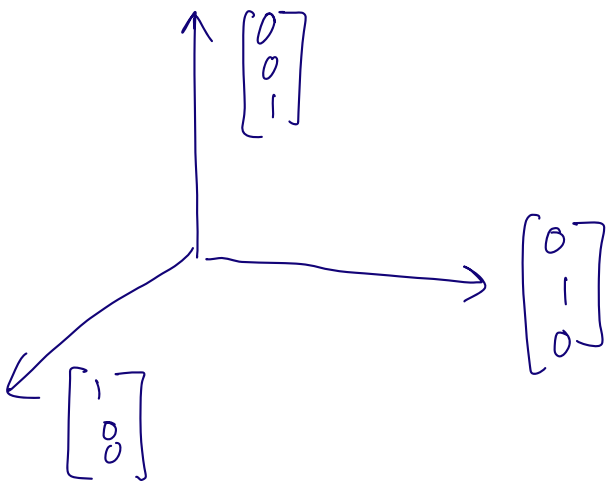
If  $\sigma = \text{gen}\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$

then  $V/W$  will contain  $\bar{v}_1, \dots, \bar{v}_n$  in the half-space made by  $u: \langle \bar{v}_i, \bar{u} \rangle \geq 0$

At least two are  $\neq \bar{0}$  (i.e. two or more  $v_i \notin W$ )

In fact any face of codimension two is the intersection of exactly two facets.

(6) Any proper face is the intersection of all facets containing it.



$$v_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad v_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\sigma = \text{first octant} = \text{gen}\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$$

$$\tau_1 = \text{gen}\{v_1, v_2\}$$

$$\tau_2 = \text{gen}\{v_1, v_3\}$$

$$\tau_3 = \text{gen}\{v_2, v_3\}$$

$$\tau_1 \cap \tau_2 = \gamma_1 = \text{gen}\{v_1\}$$

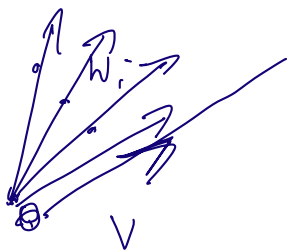
$$\tau_2 \cap \tau_3 = \gamma_2 = \text{gen}\{v_2\}$$

$$\gamma_1 \cap \gamma_2 = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} 0 \\ \parallel \end{array} \right\} \leftarrow \text{proper face codim} = 3$$

$$\underbrace{\tau_1 \cap \tau_2 \cap \tau_3}_{3 \text{ facets}}$$

Indeed, if  $\tau$  is any face of codimension larger than two, from (5) we can find a facet  $\gamma$  containing it; by induction  $\tau$  is the intersection of facets in  $\gamma$ , and each of these is the intersection of two facets in  $\sigma$ , so their intersection  $\tau$  is an intersection of facets.

(7) The topological boundary of a cone that spans  $V$  is the union of its proper faces (or facets).



$$w_i \rightarrow V \quad w_i \notin \sigma$$

By \*

(\*) If  $\sigma$  is a convex polyhedral cone and  $v_0 \notin \sigma$ , then there is some  $u_0 \in \sigma^\vee$  with  $\langle u_0, v_0 \rangle < 0$ .

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{seq.}(w_i) \rightarrow V \\ \text{seq.}(u_i) \rightarrow u_0 \in \sigma^\vee \end{array} \right.$$

$$\langle w_i, u_i \rangle < 0 \quad (\text{all } i)$$

$$\langle v, u_i \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{by def. of } \sigma$$

$$\langle v, u_i \rangle \geq 0 \quad \text{by def. of } \sigma$$

Then by continuity:

$$\underbrace{\langle w_i, u_i \rangle}_{\text{neg.}} \rightarrow \langle v, u_0 \rangle = 0$$

$$\underbrace{\langle v, u_i \rangle}_{\text{pos.}}$$

result is

$\therefore v$  is in a face

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(8) If  $\sigma$  spans  $V$  and  $\sigma \neq V$ , then  $\sigma$  is the intersection of the half-spaces  $H_\tau = \{v \in V : \langle u_\tau, v \rangle \geq 0\}$ , as  $\tau$  ranges over the facets of  $\sigma$ .

(not giving proof)

This is helpful for finding generators for the dual cone

$$\dim(V) = n \quad \sigma \text{ spans } V \\ \sigma \neq V$$

PROCEDURE  $\sigma = \text{gen} \{v_1, \dots, v_m\} \quad (m \geq n)$

get a lin. indep. subset of size  $n-1$  ↗ gets a facet in  $\sigma$

(There are  $\binom{m}{n-1}$  of these)

Check each set for Linear Independence

$$a_1 v_1 + \dots + a_{n-1} v_{n-1} = 0$$

$$\text{WTS } a_1 = \dots = a_{n-1} = 0$$

and complete perp. subspace in  $V$  (which will have dim. 1)

Choose the generator  $u_\alpha$  that has

$$\langle v, u_\alpha \rangle \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in \sigma$$

Get all  $u_\alpha$  to find the generator list.

$$\sigma^\vee = \text{gen} \{u_{\alpha_1}, \dots, u_{\alpha_k}\}$$

Farkas' Theorem:

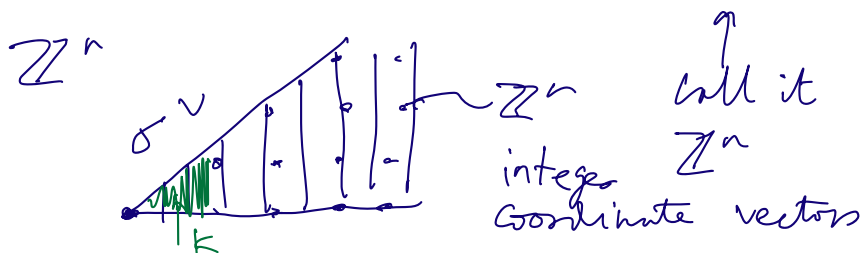


(9) The dual of a convex polyhedral cone is a convex polyhedral cone.

The corollary is the generators of the perp. subspaces are the generators for  $\sigma^\vee$  (just choose the generators with gen.  $s$  with non neg. dot product, w. elements of  $\sigma$ )

If we now suppose  $\sigma$  is rational, meaning that its generators can be taken from  $\mathbb{N}$ , then  $\sigma^\vee$  is also rational; indeed, the above procedure shows how to construct generators  $u_i$  in  $\sigma^\vee \cap \mathbb{N}^n$ .

rational means  $v_i$  has integer coordinates



**Proposition 1. (Gordon's Lemma)** If  $\sigma$  is a rational convex polyhedral cone, then  $S_\sigma = \sigma^\vee \cap \mathbb{N}^n$  is a **finitely generated** semigroup.

main point

A semigroup =  $(S, *)$   
set

$$* : S \times S \rightarrow S$$

and  $*$  is associative

$$a * (b * c) = (a * b) * c$$

Proof: • Let  $\sigma$  be a rational convex poly. cone

• Then  $\sigma^\vee$  is also RCPC

• Let  $\{u_1, \dots, u_r\} \in \sigma^\vee \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$  be a generating set for  $\sigma^\vee$  as a cone in  $\mathbb{R}^n$

• Let  $K = \{\sum t_i u_i : 0 \leq t_i \leq 1\}$

• Then  $K$  is compact (closed & bounded)

• Thus  $K \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$  is finite  $\star$

• Let  $u \in \sigma^\vee \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$ , write  $u = \sum r_i u_i$ ,  $r_i \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$

• Take  $t_i = r_i - \lfloor r_i \rfloor \in [0, 1)$   
 $\uparrow$  greatest integer less  $r_i$

• Set  $m_i = \lfloor r_i \rfloor$

•  $u = \sum r_i u_i = \sum (m_i + t_i) u_i = \underbrace{\sum m_i u_i}_{\in \mathbb{Z}^n} + \underbrace{\sum t_i u_i}_{\in K}$

• If  $u$  has integer coordinates &

$\sum m_i u_i \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ , then  $\sum t_i u_i \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  as well

so  $\sum t_i u_i \in K \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$

• Therefore  $u$  is generated by elements of  $K \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$

It is often necessary to find a point in the *relative interior* of a cone  $\sigma$ , i.e., in the topological interior of  $\sigma$  in the space  $\mathbb{R} \cdot \sigma$  spanned by  $\sigma$ . This is achieved by taking any positive combination of  $\dim(\sigma)$  linearly independent vectors among the generators of  $\sigma$ . In particular, if  $\sigma$  is rational, we can find such points in the lattice.

Any point in the relative interior can be found by taking a positive combination of  $\dim(\sigma)$  L.I. vectors among the generators of  $\sigma$ .

(10) If  $\tau$  is a face of  $\sigma$ , then  $\sigma^\vee \cap \tau^\perp$  is a face of  $\sigma^\vee$ , with  $\dim(\tau) + \dim(\sigma^\vee \cap \tau^\perp) = n = \dim(V)$ . This sets up a one-to-one order-reversing correspondence between the faces of  $\sigma$  and the faces of  $\sigma^\vee$ . The smallest face of  $\sigma$  is  $\sigma \cap (-\sigma)$ .

eg. origin on  $\sigma$  would map to the whole cone  $\sigma^\vee$

$\vec{v} \in \mathcal{C}$  (a face of  $\sigma$ ) s.t.  $\vec{v}$  is in  $\mathcal{C}$ 's interior,  
 then  $\sigma^\vee \cap v^\perp = \sigma^\vee \cap (\mathcal{C}^\vee \cap v^\perp) = \sigma^\vee \cap \mathcal{C}^\perp$   
 $\swarrow$   
 perp to  $\vec{v} \Rightarrow$  perp to everything  
 in  $\mathcal{C}$

- define  $\mathcal{C}^* = \underbrace{\sigma^\vee \cap \mathcal{C}^\perp}_{\text{faces of } \sigma^\vee}$

$F: \text{Faces}(\sigma) \rightarrow \text{Faces}(\sigma^\vee)$

$F(\mathcal{C}) = \sigma^\vee \cap \mathcal{C}^\perp$

$\mathcal{C} \subseteq \sigma \cap (\sigma^\vee \cap \mathcal{C}^\perp)^\perp = (\mathcal{C}^*)^*$

From this  $\mathcal{C}^* = ((\mathcal{C}^*)^*)^*$  so bijective

and this implies

$$\begin{aligned} (\sigma^\vee)^* &= (\sigma^\vee)^\vee \cap (\sigma^\vee)^\perp \\ &= \sigma \cap (\sigma^\vee)^\perp \\ &= (\sigma^\vee)^\perp \\ &= \underbrace{\sigma \cap (-\sigma)}_{\substack{\text{subspace in } \mathbb{R}^n \\ \text{contained in } \sigma}} \end{aligned}$$

have  $\sigma \subseteq (\sigma^\vee)^\perp$   
 and  $-\sigma \subseteq (\sigma^\vee)^\perp$   
 subset of  $\sigma$   
 and  $-\sigma$

(11) If  $u \in \sigma^\vee$ , and  $\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp$ , then  $\tau^\vee = \sigma^\vee + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cdot (-u)$ .

$$\mathcal{C}^\vee = \sigma^\vee = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cdot (-u)$$

$$\bullet (\mathcal{C}^\vee)^\vee = \mathcal{C}$$

$$\bullet (\sigma^\vee + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \cdot (-u))^\vee = \sigma \cap (-u)^\perp$$

$$= \sigma \cap u^\perp$$

## Proposition 2

**Proposition 2.** Let  $\sigma$  be a rational convex polyhedral cone, and let  $u$  be in  $S_\sigma = \sigma^\vee \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$ . Then  $\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp$  is a rational convex polyhedral cone. All faces of  $\sigma$  have this form, and

$$S_\tau = S_\sigma + \mathbb{Z}_0 \cdot (-u)$$

Faces of RCPC are themselves RCPC.

Proof If  $\tau$  is a face, then  $\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp$  for any  $u$  in the relative interior &  $u$  can be in  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  since  $\sigma^\vee \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$  is rational.

Know it's rational from (9.5).  $\sigma$  rational  $\Rightarrow \sigma^\vee$  rational.

Given  $w \in S_\tau$  then  $w + p \cdot u$  is in  $\sigma^\vee$  for large positive  $p$  (4) and taking  $p$  to be an integer shows that  $w$  is in  $S_\sigma + \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cdot (-u)$

## (12) Separation Lemma

If  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$  are convex polyhedral cones

$\tau$  is a face of each, then there is

a  $u$  in  $\sigma^\vee \cap (-\sigma')^\vee$  with

$$\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp = \sigma' \cap u^\perp$$

- Look at cone  $\delta = \sigma - \sigma' = \sigma + (-\sigma')$

- We know that for any  $u$  in the relative interior of  $\delta^\vee$ ,  $\delta \cap u^\perp$  is the smallest face of  $\delta$ .

*" $u^\perp$  makes smallest face"*

$$\mathcal{X} \cap \mathcal{U}^\perp = \mathcal{X} \cap (-\mathcal{X}) = (\sigma - \sigma') \cap (\sigma' - \sigma)$$

(10)

don't show

$$\sigma \subseteq \mathcal{X} : w \in \mathcal{X}, \exists v \in \sigma, \exists v' \in \sigma'$$

s.t.  $w = v + v'$

consider when  $v' = 0 : w = v \in \sigma$

$$\text{so } \forall v \in \sigma, v \in \mathcal{X} \Rightarrow \sigma \subseteq \mathcal{X}$$

- Since  $\sigma$  is contained in  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $u$  is contained in  $\sigma^\vee$  & since  $\mathcal{X}$  is contained in  $\mathcal{X} \cap -\mathcal{X}$ ,  $\mathcal{X}$  is contained in  $\sigma \cap \mathcal{U}^\perp$ .

- If  $v \in \sigma \cap \mathcal{U}^\perp$  then  $v$  is in  $\sigma' - \sigma$  so if  $w' \in \sigma', w \in \sigma$   $v = w' - w$ .

$$- v + w = w' \quad v + w \in \sigma' \quad v + w \in \sigma \quad \mathcal{X} = \sigma \cap \sigma'$$

$\Rightarrow v + w \in \mathcal{X}$  the sum of 2 elements in

a face can be in a face only if the

summands are in the face (because all the

coef.s are pos. or equal to zero in a cone)

$$\Rightarrow v \in \mathcal{X}$$

This shows that  $\mathcal{X} = \sigma \cap \mathcal{U}^\perp$

& same argument can be applied for  $-u$

$$\text{to give } \sigma' \cap \mathcal{U}^\perp = \mathcal{X}.$$

### Proposition 3

**Proposition 3.** If  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma'$  are rational convex polyhedral cones whose intersection  $\tau$  is a face of each, then

$$S_\tau = S_\sigma + S_{\sigma'}.$$

Proof

$$\tau \subseteq \sigma \cap \sigma'$$

$$\Rightarrow (\sigma \cap \sigma')^\vee \subseteq \tau^\vee$$

$$\sigma^\vee + (\sigma')^\vee \subseteq \tau^\vee$$

$$(\sigma^\vee + (\sigma')^\vee) \cap \mathbb{Z}^n \subseteq \tau^\vee \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$$

$$S_\sigma + S_{\sigma'} \subseteq S_\tau$$

For the other way around by (12)

we can say  $u$  in  $\sigma^\vee \cap (-\sigma')^\vee \cap \mathbb{Z}^n$

so that  $\tau = \sigma \cap u^\perp = \sigma' \cap u^\perp$  By proposition

2 & that  $-u$  is in  $S_{\sigma'}$

we have  $S_\tau \subset S_\sigma + \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} \cdot (-u) \subset S_\sigma + S_{\sigma'}$

(3) For a convex polyhedral cone  $\sigma$  the following conditions are equivalent

i)  $\sigma \cap (-\sigma) = \{0\}$  the origin

ii)  $\sigma$  contains no non linear subspace

If  $0 \neq v \in \sigma$ , then  $-v \notin \sigma$

iii) there is a  $u$  in  $\sigma^\vee$  with  $\sigma \cap u^\perp = \{0\}$

iv)  $\sigma^\vee$  spans  $\mathbb{R}^n$

A cone is called *strongly convex* if it satisfies the conditions of (13). Any cone is generated by some minimal set of generators. If the cone is strongly convex, then the rays generated by a minimal set of generators are exactly the one-dimensional faces of  $\sigma$  (as seen by applying (\*) to any generator that is not in the cone generated by the others); in particular, these minimal generators are unique up to multiplication by positive scalars.

In future lectures we will just call them cones.

$$\sigma \left[ \begin{array}{l} x \geq 0 \text{ and } y \leq x \\ x - y \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{u} u \in \sigma^v$$

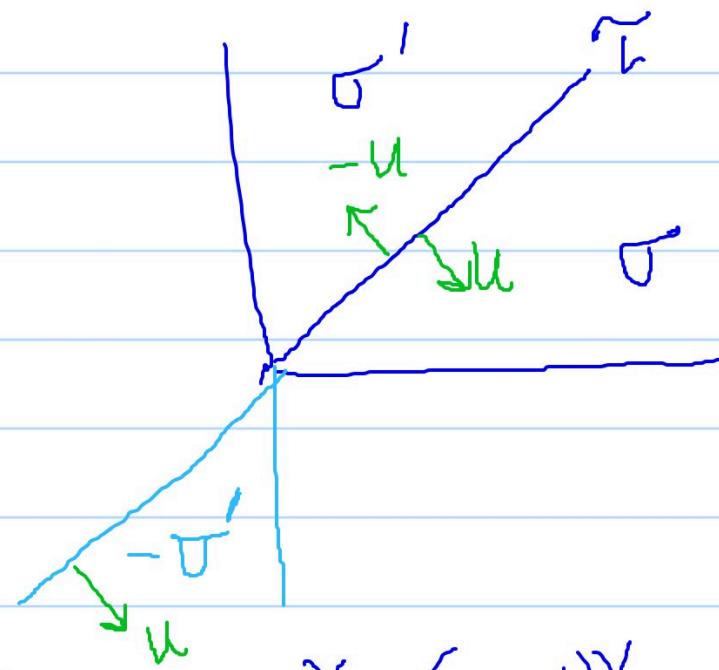
$$\Rightarrow (x, y) \cdot (1, -1) \geq 0$$

$$\sigma' \left[ \begin{array}{l} y \geq 0 \text{ and } x \leq y \\ y - x \geq 0 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow (x, y) \cdot (-1, 1) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (x, y) \cdot -(1, -1) \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -u \in (\sigma')^v$$

$$\Rightarrow u \in (-\sigma')^v$$



$$u \in \sigma^v \cap (-\sigma')^v$$

wow!  
amazing!