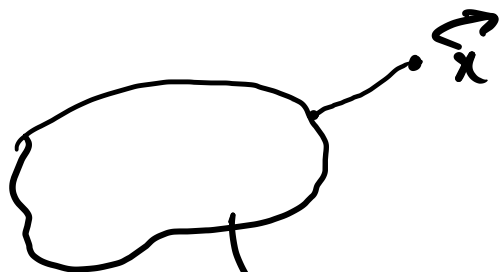


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Lecture - 5



$K \rightarrow$ closed convex set
on $\mathbb{R}^n$

$[P(K, \cdot); \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow K]$ (metric projection)

Lemma: Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a nonempty closed convex set and let $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus K$. The hyperplane H_g through $p(K, \vec{x})$, orthogonal to $u(K, \vec{x})$, supports K .

Proof:

Diagram illustrating the proof. A convex set K is shown. A point $\vec{x}$ is outside K . The projection of $\vec{x}$ onto K is $p(K, \vec{x})$. A hyperplane H_g is drawn through $p(K, \vec{x})$ and is orthogonal to the vector $u(K, \vec{x}) = \vec{x} - p(K, \vec{x})$. The distance from $\vec{x}$ to the hyperplane is $d(K, \vec{x})$. A vector $\vec{v}$ is shown in the cone of supporting directions at $p(K, \vec{x})$, and it is shown that the inner product of $\vec{v}$ and $u(K, \vec{x})$ is positive.

Equation:
$$\frac{\vec{x} - p(K, \vec{x})}{d(K, \vec{x})}$$

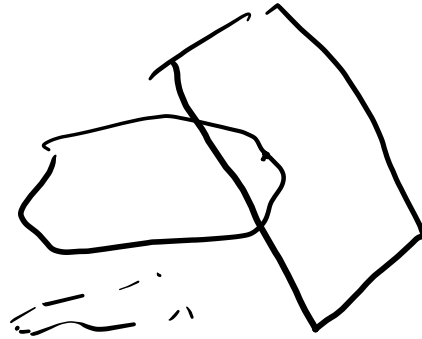
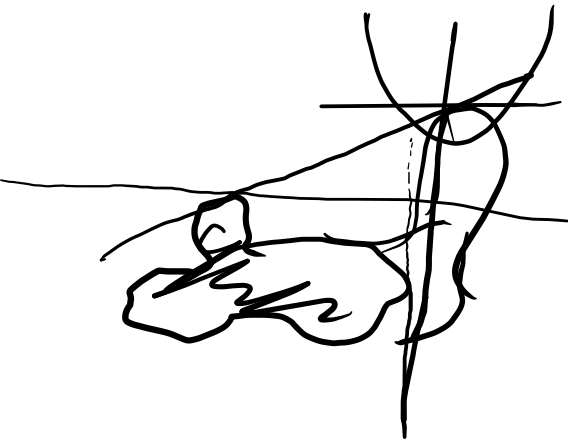
Equation:
$$\langle \vec{v}, \vec{u} \rangle > 0.$$

Equation:
$$\exists \varepsilon > 0 \quad \|\vec{v} - u(K, \vec{x})\|_2 \leq \|\vec{v}\|$$

Equivalently, $\langle \vec{v} - \varepsilon \vec{w}, \vec{v} - \varepsilon \vec{w} \rangle$
 $< \langle \vec{v}, \vec{v} \rangle$

$$\Rightarrow -2\varepsilon \boxed{\langle \vec{v}, \vec{w} \rangle} + \varepsilon^2 \boxed{\langle \vec{w}, \vec{w} \rangle} < 0$$

$\searrow$
 > 0

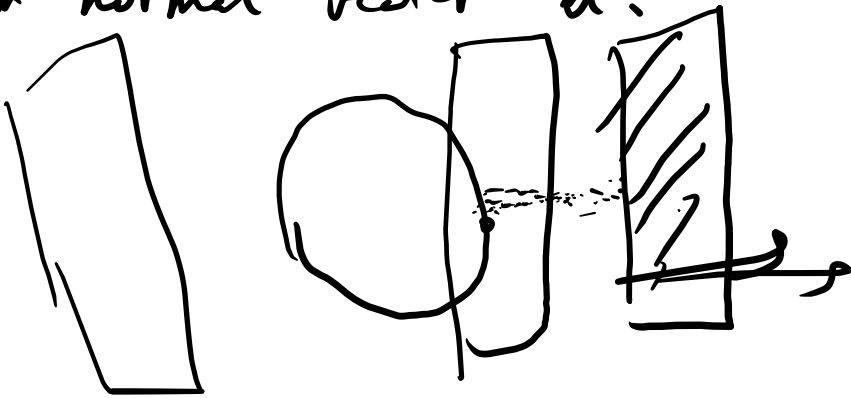


$$H_{a,b} = \{ \vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \vec{a}^T \vec{x} = b \}$$

$$\boxed{H_{\vec{a}, b}^-} = \{ \vec{x} : \vec{a}^T \vec{x} \leq b \}$$

$$\boxed{H_{\vec{a}, b}^+} = \{ \vec{x} : \vec{a}^T \vec{x} \geq b \}$$

Theorem, Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be convex and closed. Then through each boundary point of K , there is a support plane of K . If $K \neq \emptyset$ is bounded, then to each vector $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ there is a support plane to K with exterior normal vector $\vec{a}$.



Proof -

(1) Let $\vec{x} \in \text{bd } K$.

To begin with, assume K is bounded.

$$[p(K, S) = \text{bd } K]$$



$\exists y \in S$, such that

$$\vec{y} - \vec{x} \text{ supports } K \text{ at } \vec{x}$$

$$\vec{x} = p(K, y)$$

The hyperplane through $p(K, y) = \vec{x}$ orthogonal to $\vec{y} - \vec{x}$ supports K at $\vec{x}$.

(2) Assume K is not bounded.

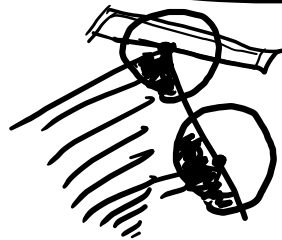
Through $\vec{x} \in \text{bd } K$ there is a
supporting plane H of $\overline{K \cap B(\vec{x}, 1)}$

Let H^- be the corresponding
supporting halfspace of $\overline{K \cap B(\vec{x}, 1)}$.
ball of radius 1
centred at $\vec{x}$.

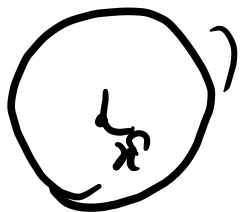
Claim: $K \subseteq H^-$

Proof of claim: If $K \cap H^+$ is

nonempty - pick $\vec{z} \in K \cap H^+$. (then $\vec{0}, \vec{z} \in K \cap \text{bd } H^+$)



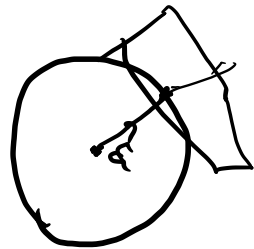
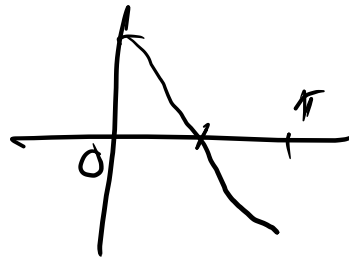
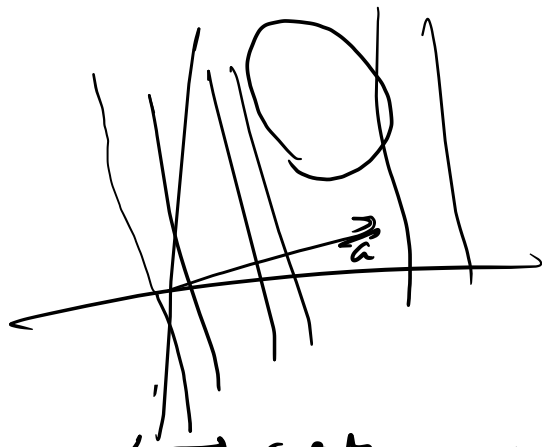
$[\vec{z}, \vec{x}] \subset K$. But $[\vec{z}, \vec{x}) \cap \overline{B(\vec{x}, 1)}$
is not in H^+ . Contradiction!!



Hence H supports K .

(11) Let K be bounded and $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \text{co} K$.

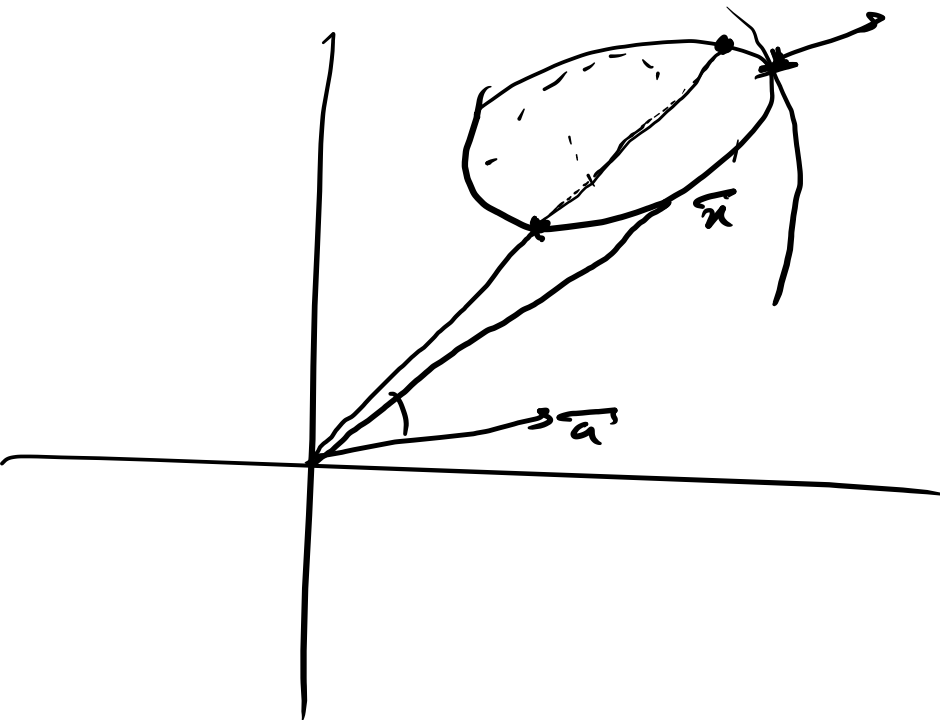
Since K is compact, there is an $\vec{x} \in K$
s.t. $\langle \vec{x}, \vec{a} \rangle = \sup_{\vec{y} \in K} \langle \vec{y}, \vec{a} \rangle$
 $\langle \vec{a}, \cdot \rangle: K \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$



$$\langle \vec{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n; \langle \vec{y}, \vec{a} \rangle \in \boxed{\langle \vec{x}, \vec{a} \rangle} \} \quad \rightarrow L$$

is supporting plane to K with the external normal vector $\vec{a}$.

$$\text{if } \vec{z} \in K, \langle \vec{z}, \vec{a} \rangle \in \langle \vec{x}, \vec{a} \rangle \\ \langle \vec{z} - \vec{x}, \vec{a} \rangle \leq 0 \quad \text{if } \langle \vec{y}, \vec{a} \rangle \in \langle \vec{x}, \vec{a} \rangle$$

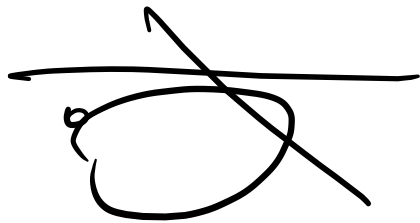


$$\langle x, x \rangle = \sup_{y \in K} \langle y, x \rangle$$

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Exercise: Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a nonempty closed set with $\text{int } K \neq \emptyset$ such that through each boundary point of K , there is a support plane of K . Show that K must be convex.

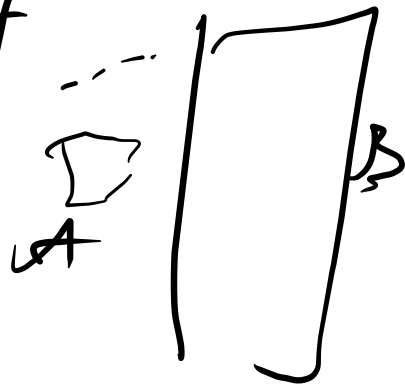
(We have discussed the support properties of convex sets.)



Separation properties of convex sets:

Let $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ and $H_{a,b} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a hyperplane. The hyperplane $H_{a,b}$ separates A and B if

$$A \subseteq H_{a,b}^- \text{ and } B \subseteq H_{a,b}^+$$



The separation is said to be proper if A, B both do not lie in $H_{a,b}$.

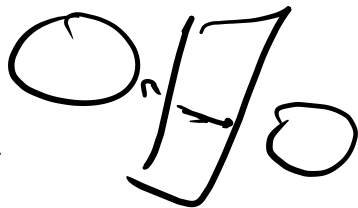
The sets A, B are *strictly separated*

by $H_{a,b}$ if $A \subseteq \text{int}(H_{a,b}^-)$,

$B \subseteq \text{int}(H_{a,b}^+)$ - or vice versa.

The sets A, B are *strongly separated*

by $H_{a,b}$ if there is an $\varepsilon > 0$ such

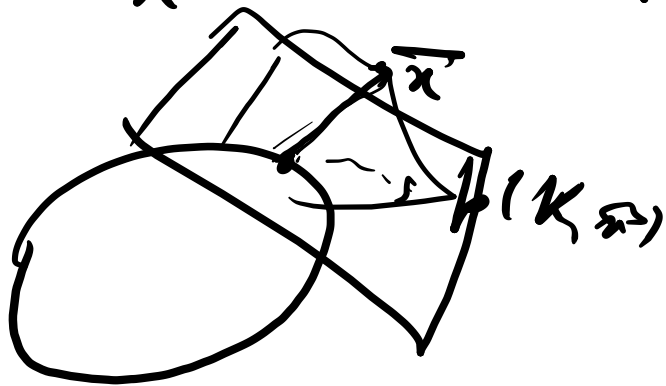


that $H_{a,b-\varepsilon}$ and $H_{a,b+\varepsilon}$ both separate
 A and B .

Separation of A and a point $\vec{x}$
means separation of A and $\{ \vec{x} \}$.

Theorem:- Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a closed
convex set and let $\vec{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus K$. Then
 K and $\vec{x}$ can be strongly separated.

Proof:-



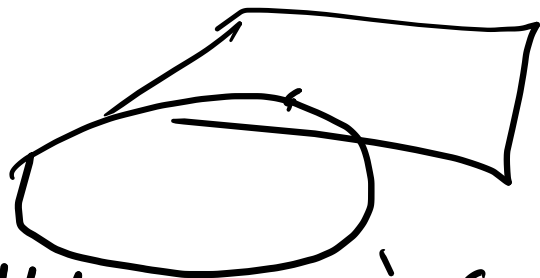
The hyperplane through $p(K, \vec{x})$
 orthogonal to $u(K, \vec{x})$ supports K
 and hence separates $\vec{x}$ and K .
 The parallel hyperplane passing
 through $\frac{p(K, \vec{x}) + \vec{x}}{2}$ strongly
 separates K and $\vec{x}$.

REPRESENTATION THEOREM 1

(for closed convex set in $\mathbb{R}^n$)

Each nonempty closed convex set in $\mathbb{R}^n$ is the intersection of its supporting halfspaces.

Pf:-



If $\bar{x} \notin K$, there is a supporting halfspace which separates $\bar{x}$ and K .
 $K^c \subseteq (\cap \text{supporting halfspaces})^c \Rightarrow (K \subseteq \cap \text{supporting halfspaces})$

Lemma: Let $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be nonempty subsets. A and B can be separated (strongly, separated, respectively) if and only if $\textcircled{A} - \textcircled{B}$ and $\vec{0}$ can be separated.

$$\left\{ \langle \vec{x} - \vec{y}, \vec{x} \in A, \vec{y} \in B \rangle \right\}$$

(strongly separated, respectively).

($\Rightarrow$) suppose $H_{\vec{a}, \vec{b}}$ strongly separated

A, B say,

$$\boxed{A \in H_{\vec{a}, \alpha - \varepsilon}} - \boxed{B \in H_{\vec{a}, \alpha + \varepsilon}}$$

for some $\varepsilon > 0$

Let $\vec{x} \in A - B$; then $\vec{x} = \vec{a} - \vec{b}$

for some $\vec{a} \in A, \vec{b} \in B$

$$\langle \vec{a}, \vec{a} \rangle \leq \alpha - \varepsilon, \quad \langle \vec{b}, \vec{b} \rangle \geq \alpha + \varepsilon$$

Then, $\langle \vec{x}, \vec{x} \rangle \leq -2\varepsilon, \Rightarrow A - B$ and $\vec{0}$ are strongly separated.

($\Leftarrow$) Suppose $A \cap B$ and $\bar{0}$ can be strongly separated. $\Rightarrow \exists \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\langle \vec{u}, \vec{a} \rangle \leq -2\varepsilon$ for all $\vec{a} \in A \cap B$. Let

$$\alpha := \sup \{ \langle \vec{a}, \vec{u} \rangle \mid \vec{a} \in A \}$$

$$\beta := \inf \{ \langle \vec{b}, \vec{u} \rangle \mid \vec{b} \in B \}$$

$$\underbrace{\langle \vec{a}, \vec{u} \rangle}_{\geq \alpha} - \underbrace{\langle \vec{b}, \vec{u} \rangle}_{\leq \beta} \leq -2\varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha - \beta \leq -2\varepsilon$$

$$\beta - \alpha \geq 2\varepsilon$$

Thus, $\left[H_{\vec{u}}, \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} \right]$ strongly separates A and B .

$$\langle \vec{a}, \vec{u} \rangle \leq \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2}$$

$$\langle \vec{b}, \vec{u} \rangle \geq \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2}$$

strongly separates

$$\alpha < \beta$$

$$\alpha \leq \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2} < \beta$$

$$\langle \vec{a}, \vec{u} \rangle \leq \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2}$$

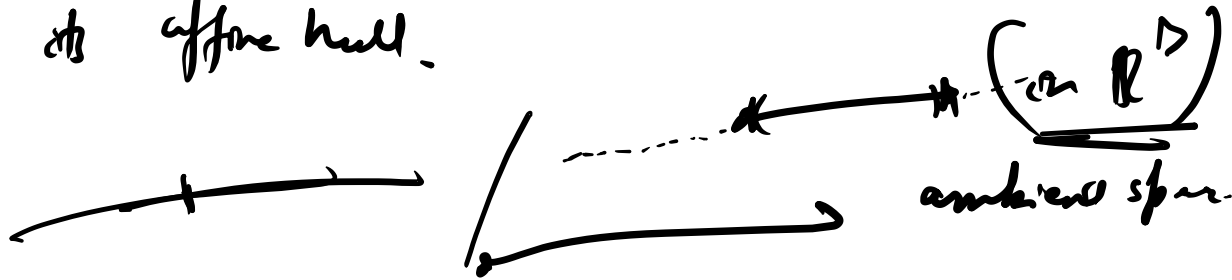
$$\langle \vec{b}, \vec{u} \rangle \geq \alpha + \frac{\beta}{2}$$

Exercise, Let $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be nonempty
convex sets such that A is
compact and B is closed. If $A \cap B = \emptyset$,
then A and B can be strongly separated.

EXTREMAL REPRESENTATION

Defⁿ: By $\text{cl } S$, $\text{int } S$, $\text{bd } S$, we mean the closure, interior, boundary of a subset S of $\mathbb{R}^n$.

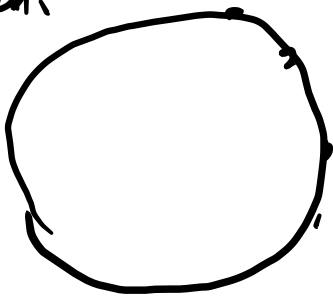
The sets $\text{relint}(S)$, $\text{relbd}(S)$ are the relative interior, relative boundary of S , that is, the interior and boundary of S with respect to its affine hull.



Goal

We want to represent a closed convex set as the convex hull of a smaller set; the smallest possible sets will be of particular interest.

Lemma



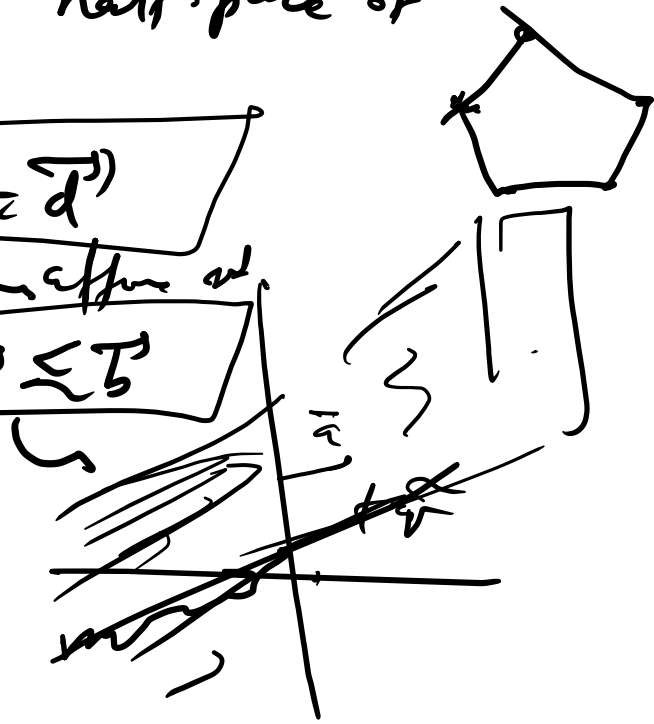
Lemma, If $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is closed convex set
 with $[K \neq \overline{\text{conv}(\text{relbd } K)}$, then K
 is either an affine set or half-space of
 an affine set.

Proof. Assume $\dim K = n$.

Let $\overline{x} \in \text{relbd}(K)$, with
 $\overline{x} \notin \text{conv}(\text{bd } K)$.

$[K \neq \overline{\text{conv}(\text{bd } K)}$
 $\overline{K = \text{int } K \cup \text{bd } K}$

a $\overline{K = \overline{D}}$
 $\hookrightarrow$ affine set
 $\overline{A \cap B} \subseteq \overline{B}$



Exercise Show that $\text{relint } K \neq \emptyset$ for a
 closed convex set K in $\mathbb{R}^n$.

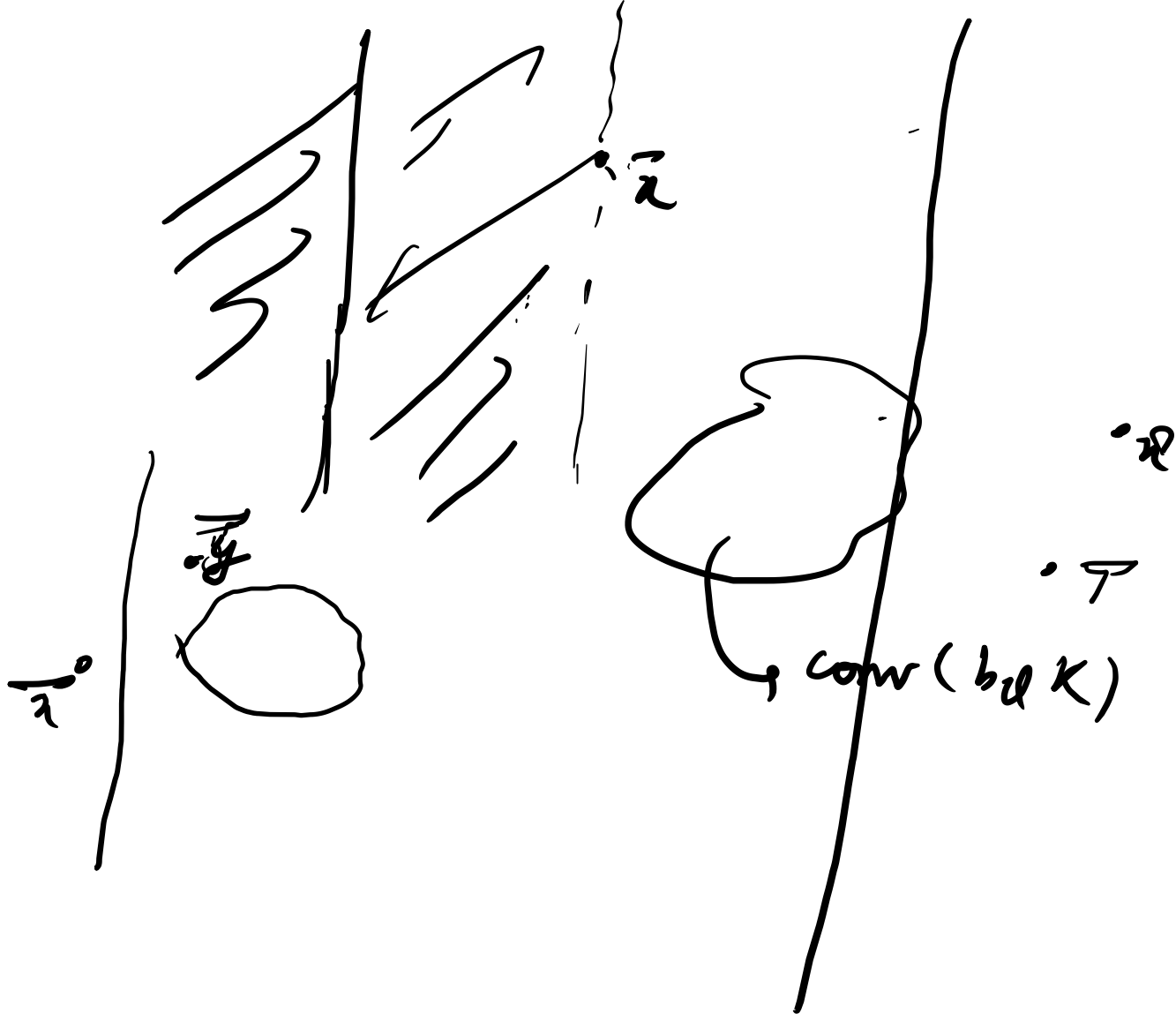
By the separation theorem, there is a
 closed halfspace such that $\vec{x} \in H^-$
 and $\text{conv}(\text{bd } K) \subset H^+$.

If $\vec{y} \in \text{int } H^-$, then $\boxed{[\vec{x}, \vec{y}] \cap \text{bd } K = \emptyset}$

~~Then, $\vec{y} \notin \text{int } K$~~

$\vec{x} \in K$, $\text{conv}(\text{bd } K) \subseteq K$,
 $\vec{y} \in \text{conv}(\text{bd } K)$





Defn: A set $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ is said to be

line-free if A does not contain a line.

In particular, A does not contain

non-trivial affine set.

Let $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$ be a nonempty closed convex set. The recession cone of K

$$\text{rec}(K) = \{ \vec{u} \in \mathbb{R}^n : \underbrace{K + \vec{u}} \subseteq K \}$$

Exem: $\text{rec}(K)$ is a fat cone.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{if } \vec{u} \in K \\ & \text{then } \vec{u} + \vec{u} \in K \\ & \text{so } \vec{u} \in \text{rec}(K) \end{aligned}$$

Lemma, Let closed convex set $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$

can be represented in the form, $K = K' \oplus V$

where V is a linear subspace
of $\mathbb{R}^n$ and K' is a line free closed convex
set in a subspace complementary to V .



Proof: Assume K is not linear.

$$\forall i \in \mathbb{R} \quad \underline{\text{rec}(K)} \cap \underline{(-\text{rec}(K))}$$

H is the linear subspace of $\mathbb{R}^4$
containing all vectors that are parallel
to some line contained in K .



If $\vec{x} + \vec{u}, \vec{v} \in K$
then $\vec{u} \in H$

Let U be a linear subspace
complementary to V .

Defn, $K_U := \underline{K} \cap U$.

(Chon, $\Rightarrow$ $K \cap V$: then we may
assume $K_U \neq \emptyset$?)

Note that $K_U + V \subseteq K$.

Let $\vec{x} \in K$.

Any line through $\vec{x}$ (l) which is completely contained in K must be parallel to V . Thus the line l must meet U at some point $\vec{y}$.

Then, $\vec{x} = \vec{y} + \underbrace{(\vec{x} - \vec{y})}$ with $\vec{y} \in K_0$

and $\vec{x} - \vec{y} \in V$; hence $\vec{x} \in K_0 + V$

K_U is closed, convex and lin. free.

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