

R-07

Convex and Nonsmooth Analysis
Viva Questions

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Find the extreme points of the set

$$C = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} + |x_3| \leq 1 \right\}.$$

Do you have knowledge about the norms can be represented as support functions?

Can you give an example of a closed unbounded convex set in \mathbb{R}^2 whose set of extreme set is bounded?

Can you give an example of a compact convex set in \mathbb{R}^2 whose set of extreme set is closed?

Can you give an example of a compact convex set in \mathbb{R}^2 whose set of extreme set is not closed?

Is the set of extreme points of a compact convex set with nonempty interior in \mathbb{R}^3 closed?

A non-empty compact convex sets are determined uniquely by their support functions. Is this statement true?

What is asymptotic cone of $C = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} + x_3 \leq 1 \right\}$?

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1. Can you give an example of a convex set whose face is not closed?
2. Can you give an example of a convex set whose face is not bounded?
3. If A is a face of F , F is a face of C , then A is a face of C . Now if A is a face of C , F is a face of C , $A \subseteq F$ then is A also a face of F ? Justify.
4. Find faces and exposed faces of the set

$$C = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2} + |x_3| \leq 1 \right\}.$$

$$C = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x > 0\} \cup \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x = 0, y \geq 0\}.$$

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1, x_3 = 0\}.$$

5. Find the polar of the cone at $(0,0,0)$

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : |x_3| \leq x_2\}.$$

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Find $\sigma_S(d) + \sigma_S(-d)$ for the set for $d = (1,1)$

$$S = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2: x_1^2 + 4x_2^2 = 4\}$$

Find the projection of $(1,1,1)$ on

$$C = \left\{x \in \mathbb{R}^3: \sqrt{x_2^2 + x_3^2} + |x_1| \leq 1\right\}.$$

Find the asymptotic cone of the set

$$S = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2: x_1^3 \leq x_2\}.$$

Hence find $\text{dom } \sigma_S$.

Give an example of a convex C and a supporting hyperplane $H_{S,r}$ such that

$C \cap H_{S,r}$ is singleton set say $\{x\}$ and $\text{cl}(C) \cap H_{S,r}$ is an unbounded set with x in its relative interior.

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Theorem Let $S \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and $C = \text{co}S$. Any $x \in C \cap \text{bd}(C)$ can be represented as a convex combination of at the most n elements of S .

Can you give an example of a set S in \mathbb{R}^3 such that $x \in C \cap \text{bd}(C)$ can be represented as a convex combination of two elements of S , where $C = \text{co}S$?

Find a supporting hyperplane to the set

$$C = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \sqrt{x_2^2 + x_3^2} + |x_1| \leq 1 \right\}$$

at $(1,0,0)$ and $\left(-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$.

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Is this a cone?

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3: |x_1| \leq x_3\}.$$

What is the polar of the cone?

If $f(x, y) = g(3x + 2y)$ and suppose $g'(7) = 5$, then find the directional derivative at the point $(1, 2)$ and in the direction of $d = (2, 3\sqrt{2})$.

Calculate the support function of the set

$$C = \text{co}\{(0, 0), (1, 1), (-1, 1)\}.$$

What do you mean by inf convolution of two functions? What is the inf convolution of the real valued function defined on \mathbb{R} as $f(x) = 1$ and $g(x) = -e^x$?

Is this a cone?

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2: |x_1| \leq x_2\}.$$

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If yes, what is the polar of this cone?

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What are the tangent and normal cones of C_1, C_2 and $C_1 \cap C_2$ at origin?

$$C_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : x_1 \leq x_3\}$$

$$C_2 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : -x_1 \leq x_3\}.$$

What is the tangent cone of $A(C_1 \cap C_2)$ where $A: \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ defined as $A(x) = (x_1, x_3)$?

Is the function $f(x) = x^2 + |x|^3 + e^{|x|}$ a convex function?

What is the subdifferential of f at $x = 0$?

Separation, strict separation and proper separation

What conditions ensure this?

Is the convex hull of a closed set in \mathbb{R}^n closed?

Let $S = \{(x, e^{-x}) : x \geq 0\} \cup \{(x, -e^{-x}) : x \geq 0\}$. Find $\text{co}S$.

$$S = \left\{ (x, y) : y \geq \frac{1}{1+x^2} \right\}$$

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How do you define lower semicontinuous function?

Is this statement true?

A function f is lower semicontinuous at x if and only if for every sequence $\{x_n\}$ converging to x we have

$$f(x) \leq \liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x_k).$$

Let $C = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1^2 + x_2^2 \leq 1\}$. Find a convex and a nonconvex set D such that

$$D - D = C.$$

Write an equation of a hyperplane in \mathbb{R}^3 orthogonal to the vector $(1, 2, 1)$ passing through $(1, -1, 0)$.

Find the support function of the set $C = \left\{ (x, y) : \frac{x^2}{a^2} + \frac{y^2}{b^2} \leq 1 \right\}$.

Every exposed point is an extreme point. Is the converse true? No.

$$C = \{(x, y) : -1 \leq x \leq 1, -2 \leq y \leq 0\} \cup \{(x, y) : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$$

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Find the support function of the set

$$C = \text{co}\{(0,0), (1,0), (0,1), (1,1)\}.$$

Find $D_C(x)$.

Find convex hull of the set

$$S = \{(x_1, x_2) : x_1^2 + x_2^2 = 1, x_1 \geq 0\} \cup \{(2,0)\}.$$

Is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \max\{x^2 - 2, 0, x\}, & -2 < x \leq 4, \\ +\infty, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

a closed convex function?

Give a bounded set C such that epigraphical hull is $\text{epi} f$.

Find the subdifferential of the function

$$f(x) = \max\{x^2 - 2, 0, x\}$$

at points of nondifferentiability.

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Find convex hull of the set

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Can you establish mean value theorem for the points $x = 0$ and $y = 3$?

Find the infimal convolution of the functions

$$f(x) = x^2 - 1, g(x) = 2x.$$

Give an example of a subadditive function which is not positively homogeneous.

Give an example of a positively homogeneous function which is not subadditive.

Find convex hull of the set

$$S = \{(x, \sqrt{x}): x \geq 0\} \cup \{(x, \sqrt{-x}): x < 0\}.$$

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Find the distance function of the set

$$C = \text{co}\{(0,0), (1,0), (0,1)\}.$$

Is the function $f(x) = x^2 + |x|^3 + e^{|x|}$ a convex function?

Is this a strongly convex function?

Is this a cone?

$$C = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : |x_1| \leq x_3\}.$$

What is the polar of the cone?