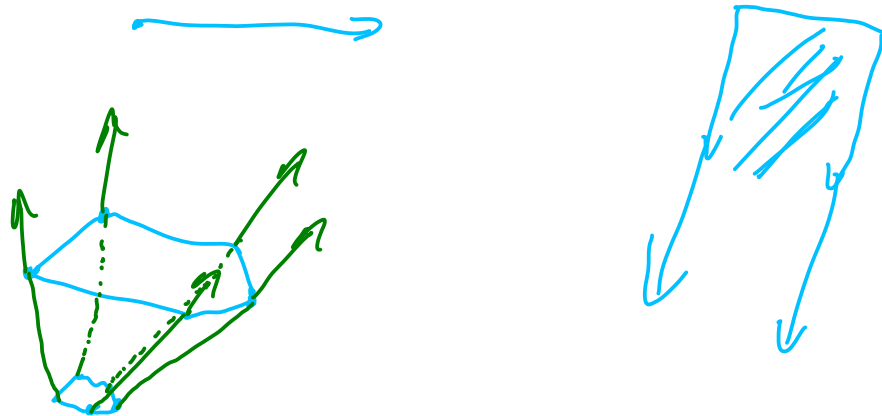


Def (Polyhedron): A polyhedron is the intersection of finitely many half-spaces. A polytope is a bounded polyhedron

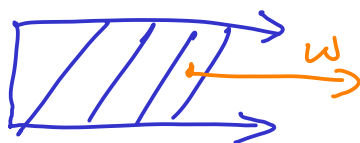
Ex (some unbounded polyhedra):



Polyhedra also have a support function,  $h_P(w)$ , but the values are in  $\mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$

When  $P$  is unbounded in the direction of  $w$

$$h_P(w) = \infty$$



$$h_P(w) = \infty \\ \parallel \\ \max(w \cdot x \mid x \in P)$$

with this  $h_P$  a polyhedron is

$$P = \bigcap_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n} \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid w \cdot x \leq h_P(w) \}$$

Now we can define a convex cone as a polyhedron

where each supporting hyperplane contains the origin

Alt. a cone  $\sigma$  is a polyhedron whose support func

$$h_{\sigma}(w) = \text{Either } 0 \text{ or } \infty$$

$$\sigma = \bigcap_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n} \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid w \cdot x \leq 0\}$$

Note that a Half-space  $H_w := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid w \cdot x \leq 0\}$   
forms a semi-group, i.e.  $y, z \in H_w$

$$\text{then } w \cdot y \leq 0, w \cdot z \leq 0 \Rightarrow w \cdot y + w \cdot z = w \cdot (y+z) \leq 0$$

$y+z \in H_w$

Elements in the bounding hyperplane

$$w \cdot x = 0$$

$$\text{If } w \cdot y = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} -w \cdot y = 0 \text{ and } w \cdot (y-y) = 0 \\ \parallel \\ w \cdot (-y) = 0 \end{array} \therefore -y \in H_w$$

Since a cone is

$$\sigma = \bigcap_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n} H_w$$

$\therefore \sigma$  is a semi-group, under addition

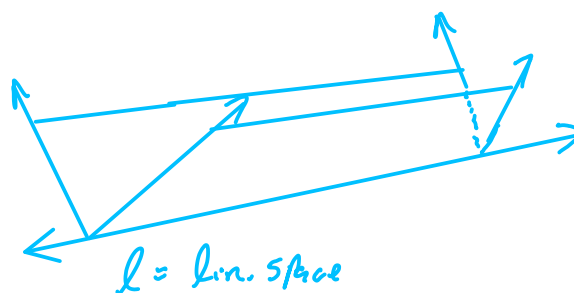
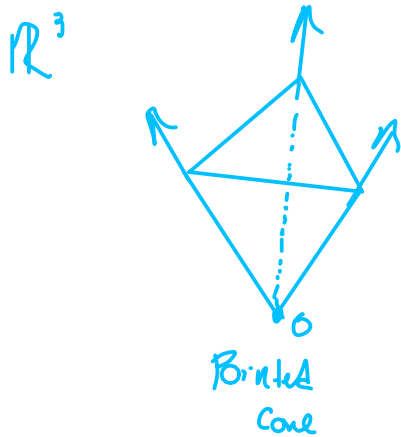
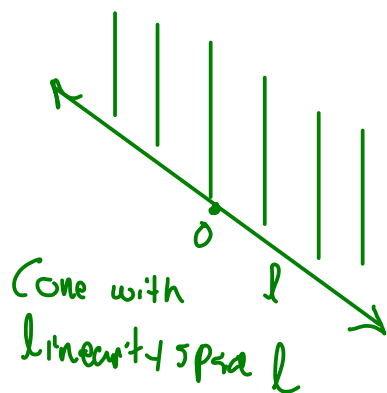
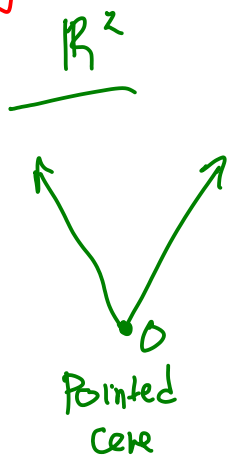
$$\text{Linearity space of } \sigma = \bigcap_{w \in \mathbb{R}^n} \underbrace{\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid w \cdot x = 0\}}_{\text{Boundary hyperplane}} \\ = \text{set of invertible elements of } \sigma.$$

If lin. space of  $\sigma = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$

we say  $\sigma$  is a pointed cone strictly/strongly convex.

The linearity space of  $\sigma$  is its minimal face.

Ex)



Pointed cone = the face of  $\sigma$  contained in all faces of  $\sigma$ .

The minimal face of a pointed cone is  $0$

For a pointed cone  $\sigma$  its rays are its one dimensional faces

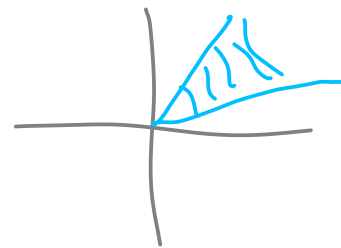
$$p = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} x \quad \text{for any } x \neq 0, x \in \rho$$

$$\sigma = \text{sum of its rays } \rho \in \sigma$$

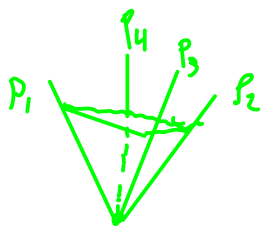
i.e. if  $\sigma$  has rays  $\{r_1, \dots, r_n\}$

$$\sigma = R_{\geq 0} v_1 + \dots + R_{\geq 0} v_n$$

when  $r_i \in \rho_i$



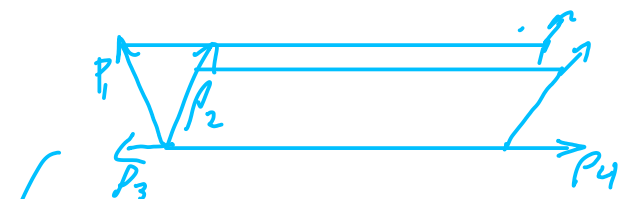
Eg. 1



$$\sigma = R_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + R_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + R_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + R_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$\rho_1$                        $\rho_2$                        $\rho_3$                        $\rho_4$

Eg. 1



$$\{x \mid w \cdot x \leq 0\}$$

$$w \cdot x = 0$$

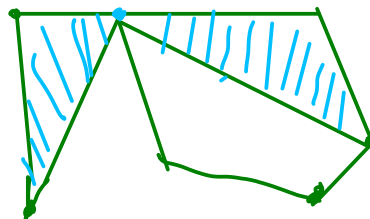
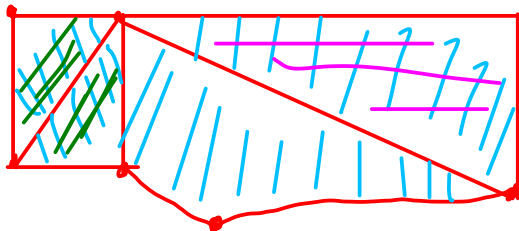
$$= R_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + R_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + R_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} + R_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

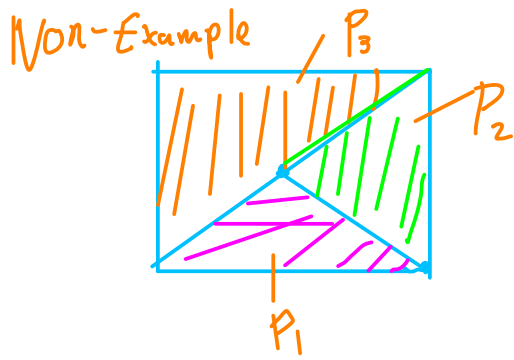
$\rho_1$                        $\rho_2$                        $\rho_3$                        $\rho_4$

Def (Polyhedral complex). A polyhedral complex

$\mathcal{P}$  is a collection of polyhedra in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  s.t. every face of every polyhedron  $P \in \mathcal{P}$  is another polyhedron and for  $P, P' \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $P \cap P'$  is a face of  $P$  and  $P'$ .

Ex)





$P_3 \cap P_2$  is not a face of  $P_3$

Ex] A polytope, together with all its faces  
is a polyhedral complex.

Ex] Take a polytope  $P$  and a point  $o \in P$ .

For every face  $F$  of  $P$  s.t.  $o \notin F$

set  $\text{Pyramid}(F, o) \rightarrow$  Pyramid with base  $F$  and apex

Then the collection of:

- These pyramids
- their bases
- $o$

is a polyhedral complex which subdivides  $P$

Def The support of a polyhedral complex  $\mathcal{D}$

is the union of all  $P \in \mathcal{D}$

when  $\text{SUPP}(\mathcal{D}) = P =$  a polyhedron

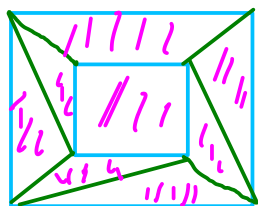
we say that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a subdivision of  $P$ .

When  $\text{supp}(\mathcal{P}) = P = \text{a polytope}$

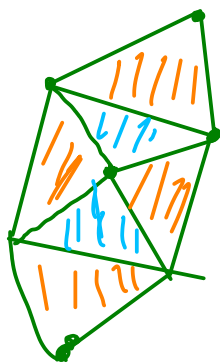
$$\text{Vol}_n(P) = \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{P}} \text{Vol}_n(Q)$$

When every polytope in a polyhedral complex  $\mathcal{P}$  is a simplex we say  $\mathcal{P}$  is a triangulation of  $\text{supp}(\mathcal{P}) = P$ .

Ex.



polyhedral subdivision  
not triangulation

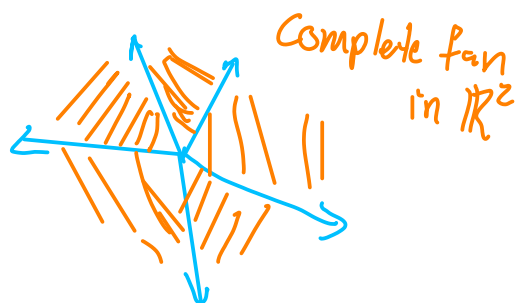


Def (Fan). A polyhedral complex  $\Sigma$  in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  is called a fan if all polyhedra  $C \in \Sigma$  are cones. If  $\text{supp}(\Sigma) = \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\Sigma$  is called complete.

Ex.



A fan, not complete



Complete fan  
in  $\mathbb{R}^2$

Given a polytope  $P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  define an equivalence relation on  $(\mathbb{R}^n)^V \cong \mathbb{R}^n$  by  $v \sim w$

iff  $P_v = P_w$  Face exposed by a vector  $w \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
 $P_w = \{x \in P \mid w \cdot x = h_P(w)\}$   
 $\uparrow$   
 $=$  Face of  $P$  exposed by  $w$   
 $= \{x \in P \mid w \cdot x = h_P(w)\}$

These eq. classes give rise to the Normal cone to the face  $F = P_w$  i.e.  $N_P(F) =$  closure of the set of points in the eq. class of  $P_w$

The Normal cone of a face  $F = P_w$

$$N_P(F) = \left\{ u \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid u \cdot (x - f) \leq 0 \quad \forall x \in P \text{ and some } f \in \text{relint}(F) \right\}$$

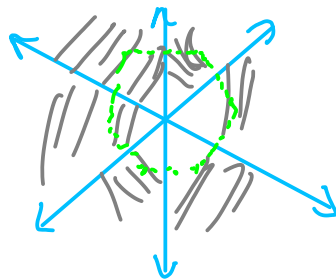
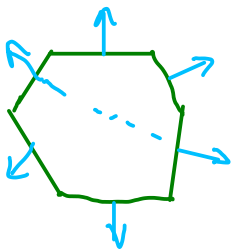
Relative interior of a polytope

$$\text{relint}^{\downarrow}(F) = \left\{ x \in F \mid \forall y \in F \exists \lambda > 1 \text{ s.t. } \lambda x + (1-\lambda)y \in F \right\}$$

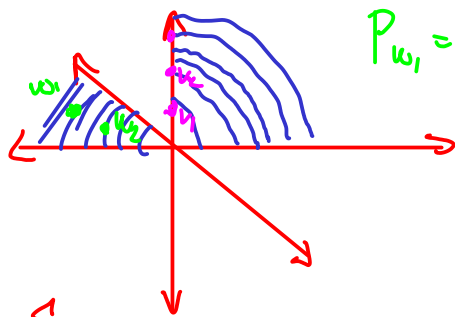
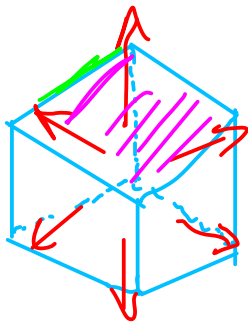
For a polytope  $P$  the collection  $N_P(Z)$  for  $Z$  a face of  $P$  forms the (outer) normal fan  $\mathcal{F}$  of  $P$ . This is a complete fan.

The rays of this fan expose the facets of  $P$ .

Ex)



Ex)



$P_{w_1} = P_{w_2} = \text{edge of } P$

$P_{v_1} = P_{v_2} = \text{facet of } P$

$\Sigma = \text{Normal fan of cube}$

The rays of  $\Sigma$  are  $\begin{bmatrix} \pm 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \pm 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \pm 1 \end{bmatrix}$

Each exposes a facet

The two dim cones in  $\Sigma$  are the positive spans of any pair of rays, these expose an edge of  $P$

The 3 dim cones are pos. span of 3 rays and expose a vertex of  $P$ .

## Toric Varieties From Fans

Goal: Construct a toric variety by gluing affine toric varieties along common subsets

Work with torus  $(\mathbb{C}^*)^n$

$N = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{C}^*, (\mathbb{C}^*)^n) \cong \mathbb{Z}^n = \text{group of cocharacters}$

$M = \text{Hom}((\mathbb{C}^*)^n, \mathbb{C}^*) \cong \mathbb{Z}^n = \text{group of characters}$

$N_{\mathbb{R}} := \mathbb{R} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} N \cong \mathbb{R}^n = \text{real v. space spanned by cocharacters}$

$M_{\mathbb{R}} := \mathbb{R} \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} M \cong \mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R} \text{ v. space spanned by characters}$



Write  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle : N_{\mathbb{R}} \times M_{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$   
 $n \times m \mapsto n \cdot m$

A (rational) fan  $\Sigma \subseteq N_{\mathbb{R}}$  is a fan in  $N_{\mathbb{R}}$   
in which every cone is defined by inequalities  
coming from elements  $a \in M$ , i.e. the half-spaces  
defining cones in  $\Sigma$  all have form

$$\{ w \in N_{\mathbb{R}} \mid \langle w, a \rangle \geq 0 \} \text{ for some } a \in M.$$

For a cone  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  the linear span of  $\sigma$   
is a rational linear space, i.e.

$$\text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}(\sigma) = \text{Span}_{\mathbb{R}}(\sigma \cap N)$$

Assumption | we will assume all cones  $\sigma \in \Sigma$  are pointed

This is not such a restriction:

In gen. all cones in a rational fan have some  
linearity space  $L_{\mathbb{R}}$ , this has a full rank sublattice

$$L = N \cap L_{\mathbb{R}}$$

Replace  $N$  by  $N/L$ ,  $M$  by  $L^{\perp}$  and every  $\sigma \in \Sigma$   
by its image in  $N_{\mathbb{R}}/L_{\mathbb{R}}$

$\Rightarrow$  give a pointed fan.

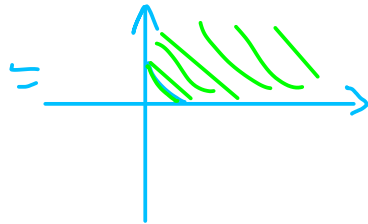
Def / (Dual Cone) Given a rational cone  $\sigma \subset N_{\mathbb{R}}$  its dual cone is

$$\sigma^{\vee} := \{x \in M_{\mathbb{R}} \mid \langle w, x \rangle \geq 0 \ \forall w \in \sigma\}$$

The linearity space of  $\sigma^{\vee} = \sigma^{\perp}$

$$\dim(\sigma^{\perp}) = n - \dim(\sigma)$$

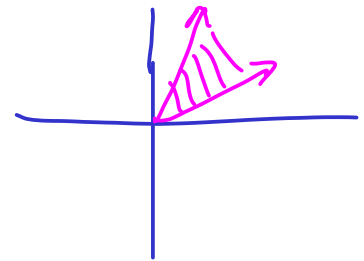
Ex)  $\sigma = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$



$$\sigma^{\vee} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \cdot w \geq 0 \ \forall w \in \sigma\}$$

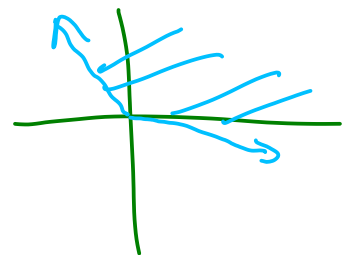
$$= \sigma = \text{shaded region below a line with positive slope}$$

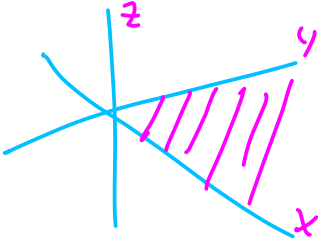
Ex)  $\sigma = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} =$



$$\sigma^{\vee} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x \cdot w \geq 0 \ \forall w \in \sigma\}$$

$$= \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} -1 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} =$$



Ex]  $\sigma = \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} =$  

$$\sigma^{\vee} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 \mid w \cdot x \geq 0 \ \forall w \in \sigma\}$$

$$= \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$



Given a pointed rational cone  $\sigma \subseteq N_{\mathbb{R}}$  set

$$S_{\sigma} := \sigma^{\vee} \cap M = \{a \in M \mid \langle w, a \rangle \geq 0 \ \forall w \in \sigma\}$$

$\uparrow$   
sub semigroup of  $M$

The group of invertible elements of  $S_{\sigma}$  (i.e. the

part of the linearly space of  $\sigma^{\vee}$  in  $M$ )

is the free abelian group  $\sigma^{\perp} \cap M$

$$\text{rank}(\sigma^{\perp} \cap M) = n - \dim \sigma$$

Set

$$V_{\sigma} := \text{Hom}_{\text{sg}}(S_{\sigma}, \mathbb{C}) = \text{set of semi-group homomorphisms from } S_{\sigma} \text{ to } \mathbb{C}.$$

Similar to our first construction of toric varieties

( Plus a thm of Hilbert which tells us  $S_\sigma$  is finitely generated as a semi-group )

$$\text{Hom}_{\text{sg}}(S_\sigma, \mathbb{C}) \cong \text{Spec}(\mathbb{C}[S_\sigma])$$

$S_\sigma \cong \mathbb{N}A$  for some gen. set  $A = \{a_1, \dots, a_m\}$  of  $S_\sigma$ .

This is exactly the affine toric variety from beginning just we don't know a priori, what  $A$  is s.t.  $S_\sigma = \mathbb{N}A$ .

i.e. we don't know what  $\mathbb{C}^m$  this embeds in

To embed in  $\mathbb{C}^m$  we just find gen. set of  $S_\sigma$ .