

Homework 4 in Optimization in Engineering

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Exercise 1. (partial sum of convex sets) Show that if \mathcal{S}_1 and \mathcal{S}_2 are convex sets in \mathbb{R}^{m+n} , then so is their partial sum

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(x, y_1 + y_2) \mid x \in \mathbb{R}^m, y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n, (x, y_1) \in \mathcal{S}_1, (x, y_2) \in \mathcal{S}_2\} .$$

Exercise 2. (invertible linear-fractional functions) Let $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ be the linear-fractional function

$$f(x) = \frac{Ax + b}{c^T x + d}, \quad \text{dom } f = \{x \mid c^T x + d > 0\} .$$

Suppose the matrix

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} A & b \\ c^T & d \end{bmatrix}$$

is nonsingular. Show that f is invertible and that f^{-1} is again a linear-fractional function. Give an explicit expression for f^{-1} in terms of Q .

Exercise 3. (convex norm cone) Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, t \in \mathbb{R}$. Suppose $\|\cdot\|$ is any norm in \mathbb{R}^n . The norm cone associated with this norm is the set

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(x, t) \mid \|x\| \leq t\} .$$

Show that the norm cone is convex.