

MLE/MAP [in]variance  
Support Vector Machines  
Convex Functions

Today:- Late assignment 2

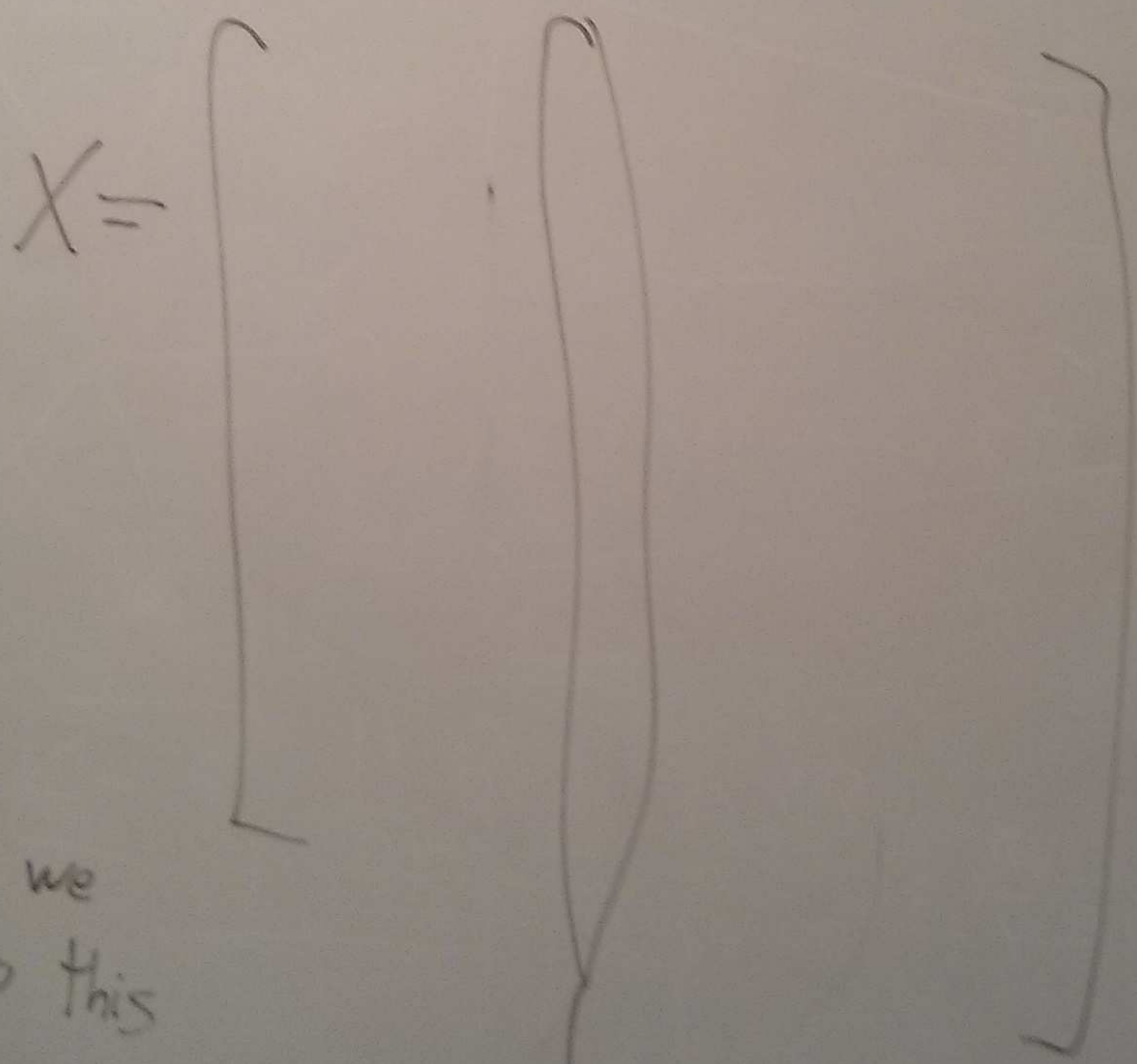
- Marked assignment 1 (end of class)

Wed:- Assignment 3 due

- Preliminary course evaluation.

# "Standardize" Features

- When do MAP, we often 'standardize columns':



In regression we sometimes do this to 'Y', so we don't need y-intercept.

→ Subtract mean, } mean 0,  
divide by variance } variance 1  
→ roughly puts weights  $w_i$  on same scale

# "Bias" vs. "bias"

- Sometimes, you'll see logistic regression

written using  $p(y_i | \bar{x}_i, \bar{w}, b) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_i(\bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i + b))}$

instead of  $p(y_i | \bar{x}_i, w) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-y_i w^T \bar{x}_i)}$

"bias" variable

- "Bias" variable "b" takes into account that

one class may be more likely before

(c.f.,  $p(y_i=1)$  in naive Bayes)

we see the features.

- Equivalent to adding a column of ones to  $X$ .

- Statisticians say: "do not regularize the bias"

mean 0,  
variance 1

# Linear classifiers

## Generative

Naive Bayes  
LDA

## Discriminative

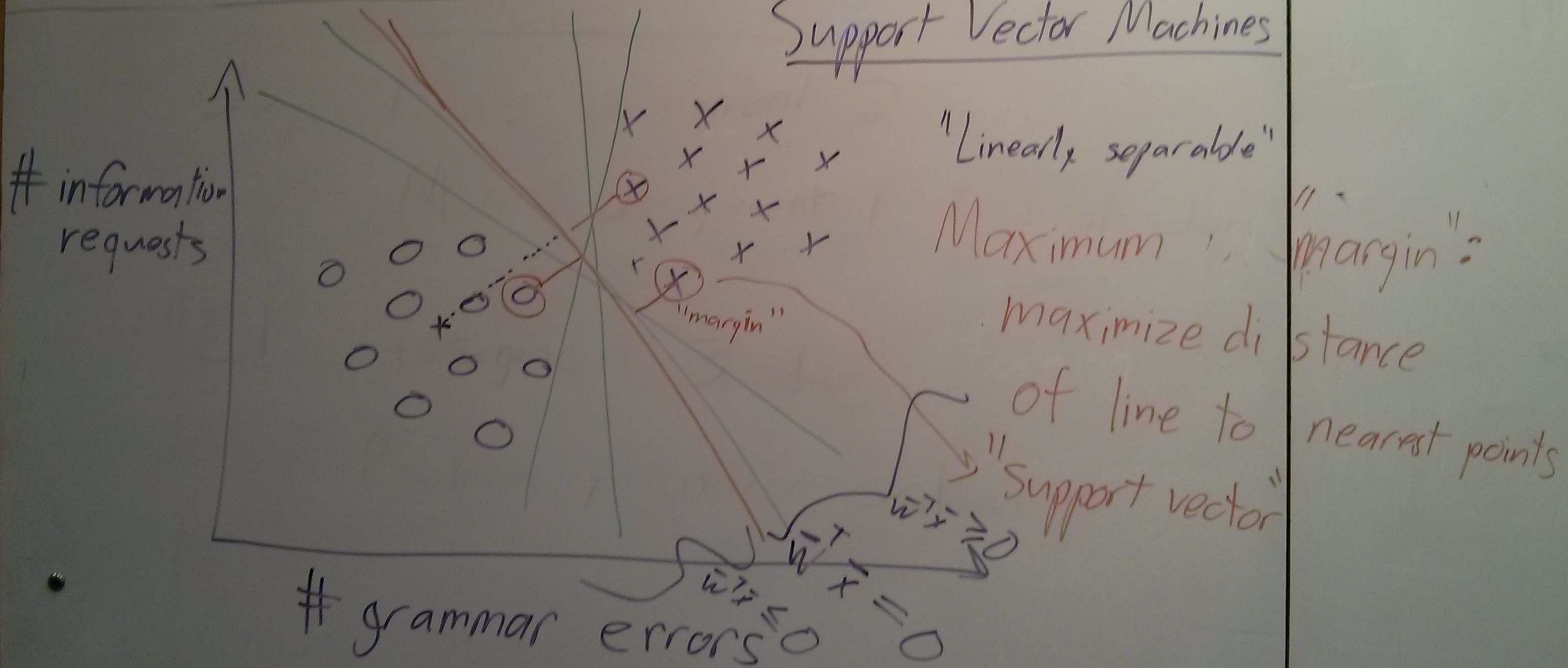
Logistic Regression

## Discriminant Function

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"margin" is proportional to  $\frac{1}{\|\bar{w}\|}$   
(see Wikipedia  
or Andrew Ng's  
course notes)

maximizing  $\frac{1}{\|\bar{w}\|} \iff$  minimizing  $\|\bar{w}\|^2$

SVM:

$$\min_w \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{w}\|^2$$

$$\text{s.t. } y_i \bar{w}^T x_i - 1 \geq 0$$

$\ominus \rightarrow$  "support vectors"

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{w}^T x_i &\geq 1 && y_i = 1 \\ \bar{w}^T x_i &\leq -1 && y_i = -1 \end{aligned}$$

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"Soft-margin" SVM

$$\arg \min_{\bar{w}, \bar{v}} C \sum_{i=1}^N v_i + \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{w}\|^2$$

$$\text{s.t. } \gamma_i \bar{w}^T x_i - 1 + v_i \geq 0,$$

$$v_i \geq 0$$

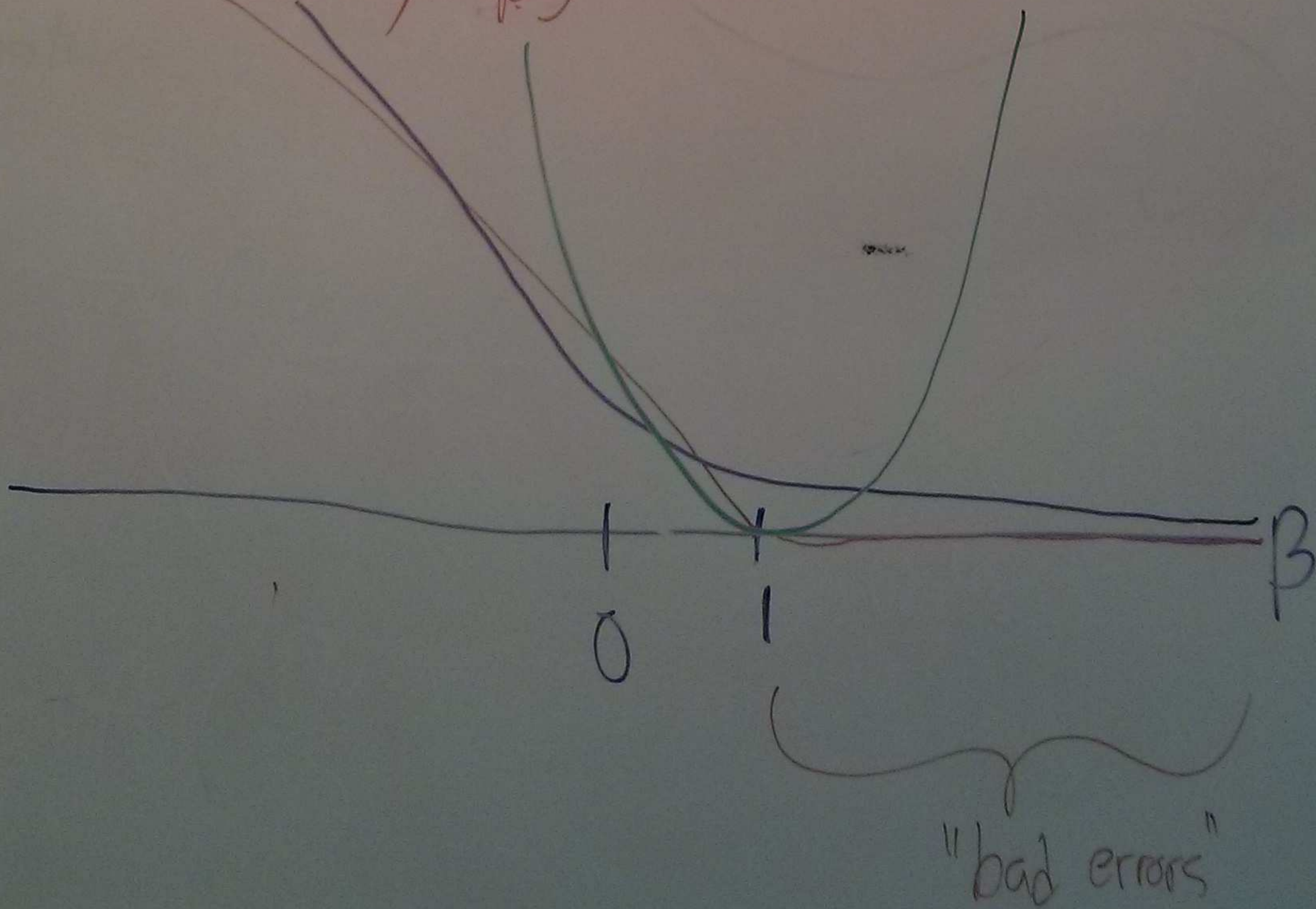
"for  $C$  large enough, linearly-separable case" is special case"

ve

$$V_i \geq \max \{ 0, 1 - \gamma_i \bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i \}$$

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\bar{w}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \max \{ 0, 1 - \gamma_i \bar{w}^T \bar{x}_i \} + \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{w}\|^2 \right)$$

$\max \{ 0, 1 - \beta \}$  "hinge" loss





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\* Multi-Class SVM

$y_i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$   $K$   
 $\in \{ \text{'red'}, \text{'green'}, \text{'blue'} \}$

- 1 vs all: train  $C$  binary classifiers

$O(dK)$

- All pairs:  $\{1\}$  vs  $\{2\}$   
 $\{1\}$  vs  $\{3\}$   
 $\{2\}$  vs  $\{3\}$

- ECOC

- Multi-Class:  $\min_{\bar{w}_1, \bar{w}_2, \dots, \bar{w}_K} \frac{1}{2} \|\bar{w}\|^2 + C \sum_{i=1}^N \max_c$

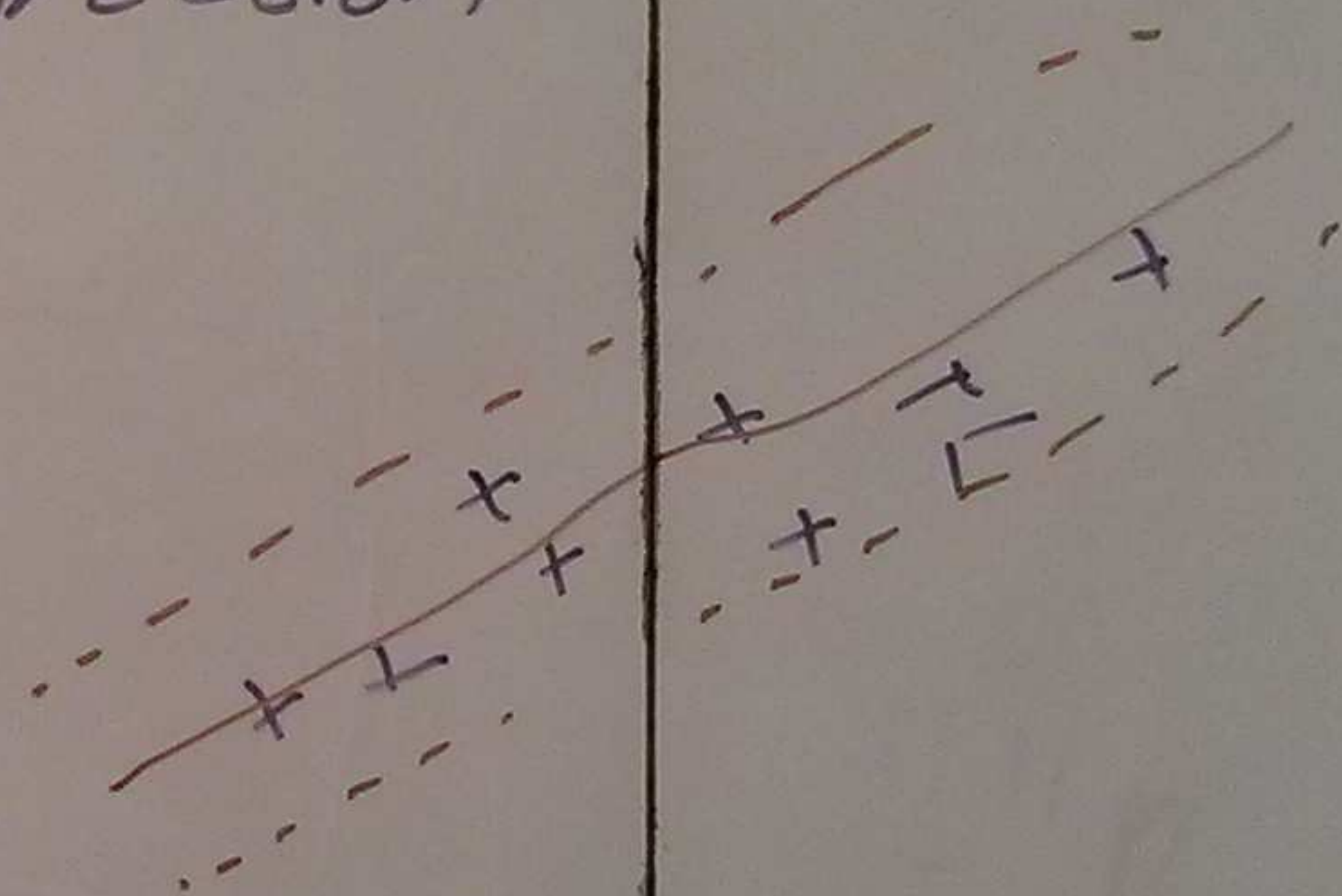
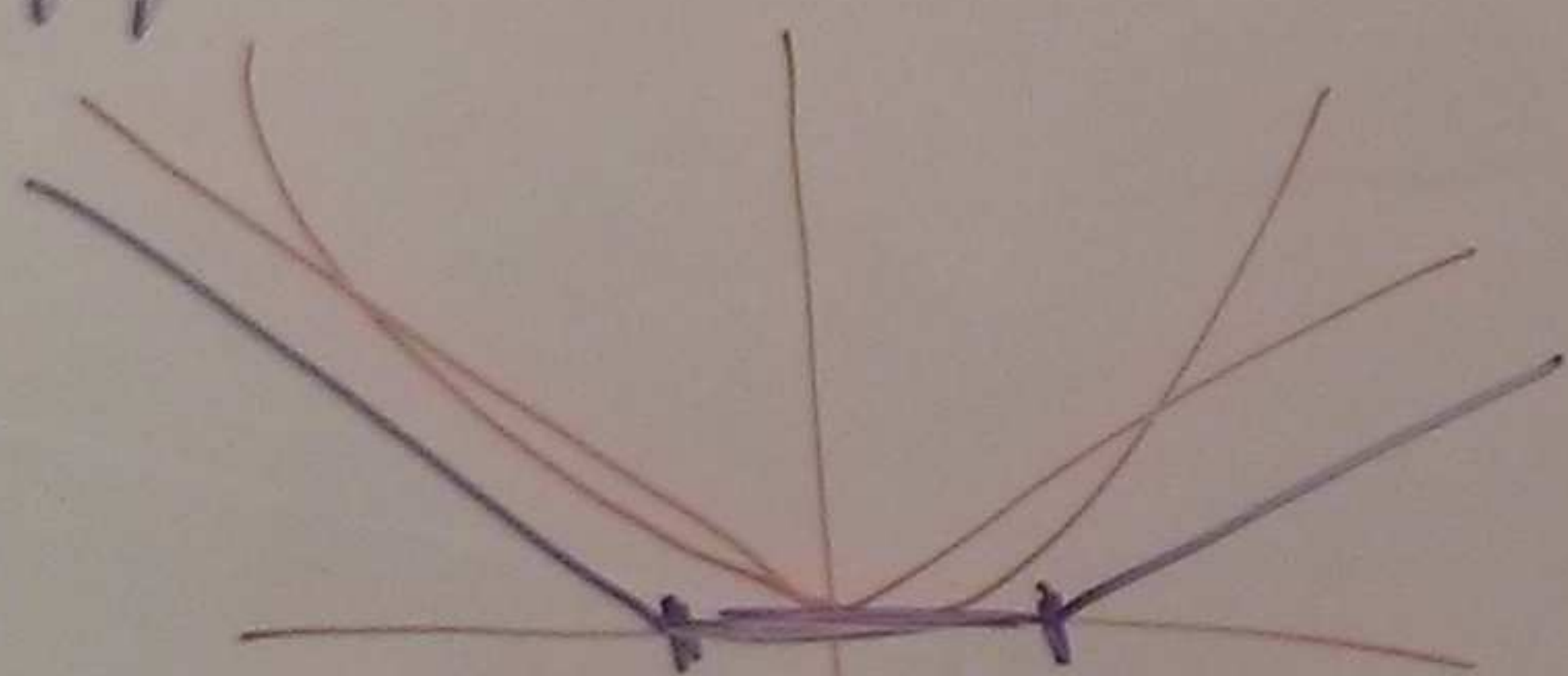
$$\left\{ 1 - \bar{w}_1^T \bar{x}_i + \bar{w}_c^T \bar{x}_i \right\}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{c=1}^K \max_c$$

$$\left\{ 0, 1 - \bar{w}_{y_i}^T \bar{x}_i + \bar{w}_c^T \bar{x}_i \right\}$$

## \* Other types regression/classification

- Extreme-value regression
- Support vector regression



- Ordinal logistic, proportional hazards (movie ratings)

- Ranking ( $a \geq b$ )

- Multiple regression

- Multi-task classification

→ "structured prediction"

# Convex Functions

Why?

- polynomial-time algorithms.
- all stationary points are global optima.

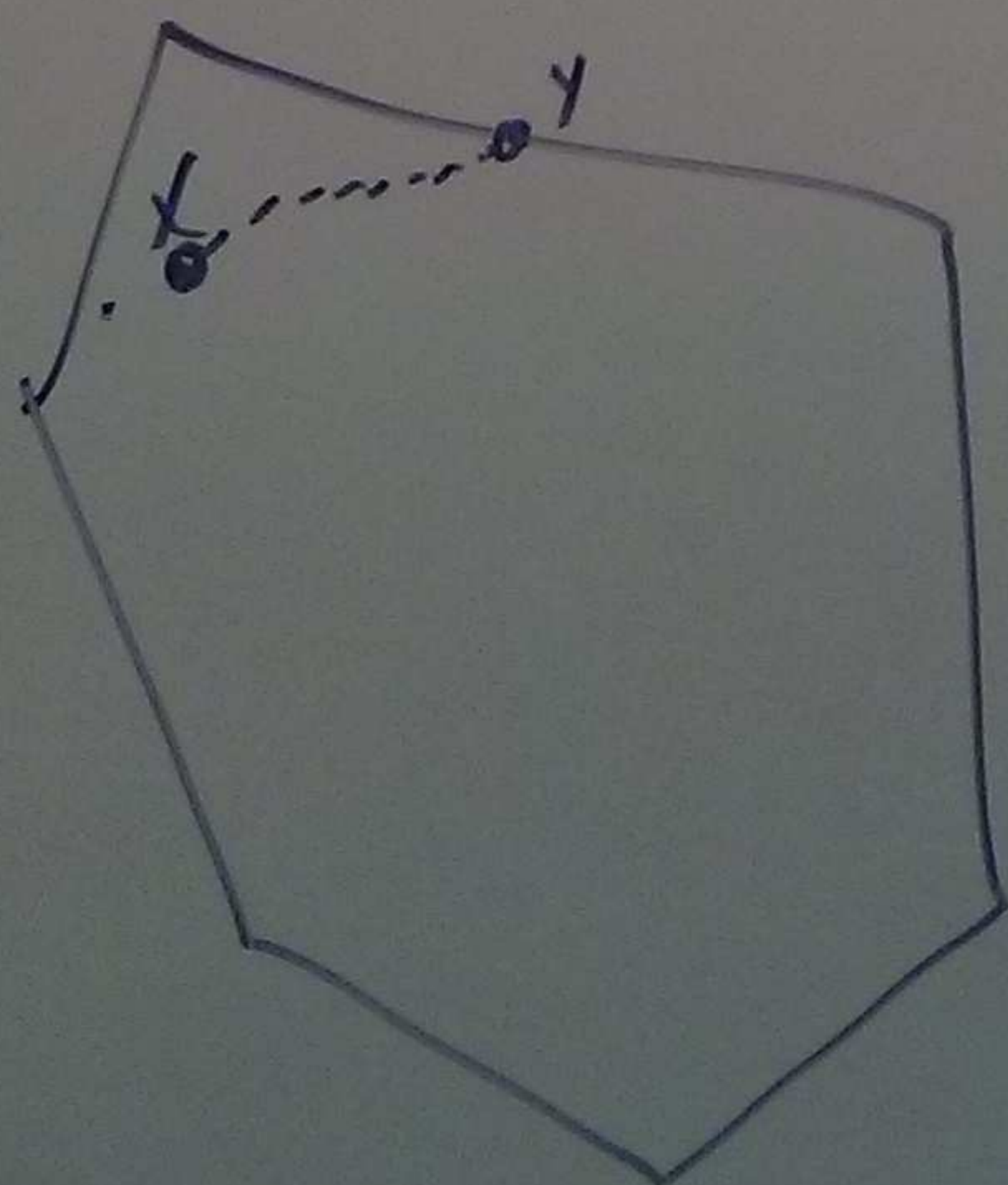
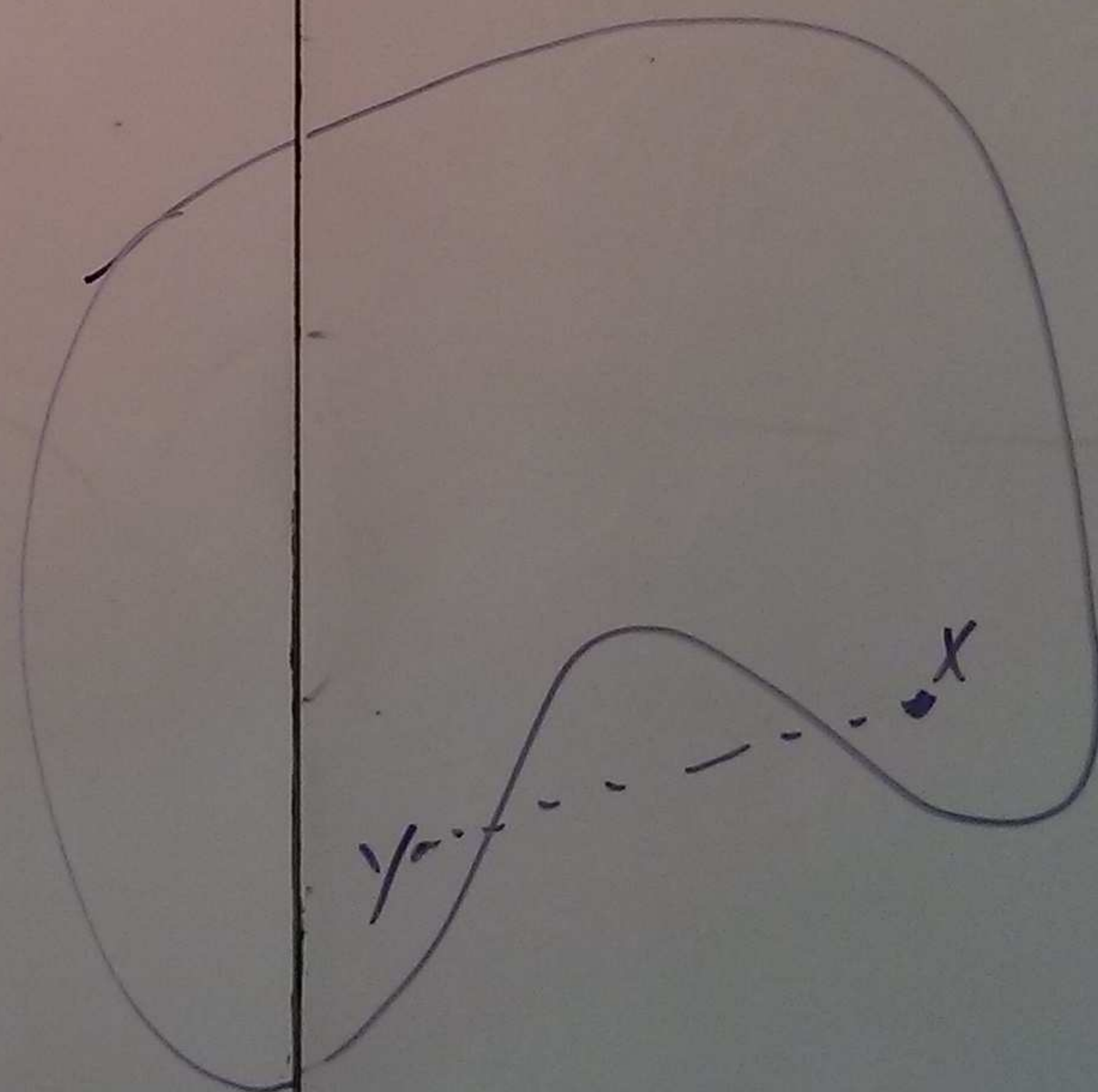
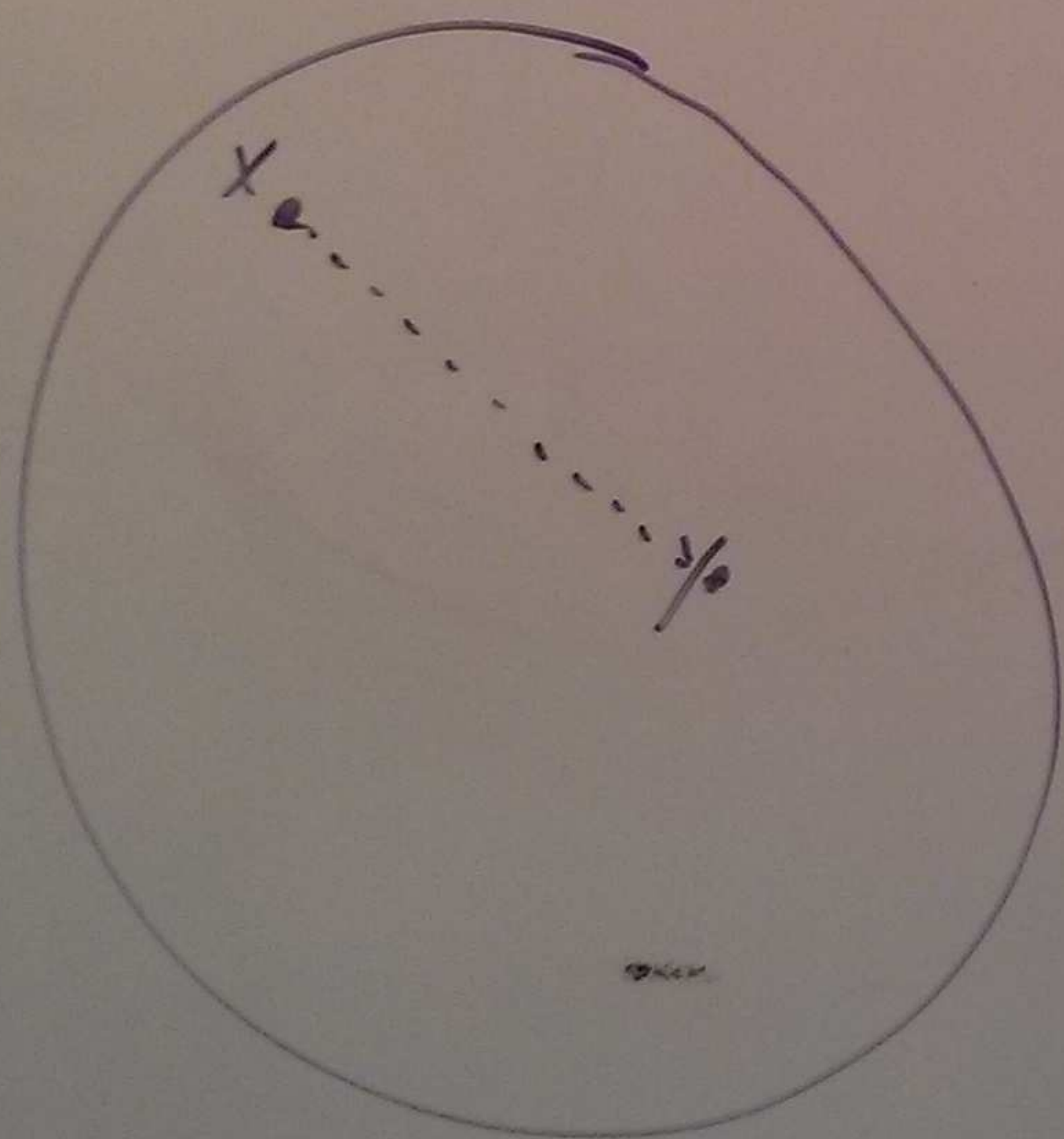
(least squares,  $L_2$ -reg,  $L_1$ -reg, Logistic, SVMs)

# Convex Set

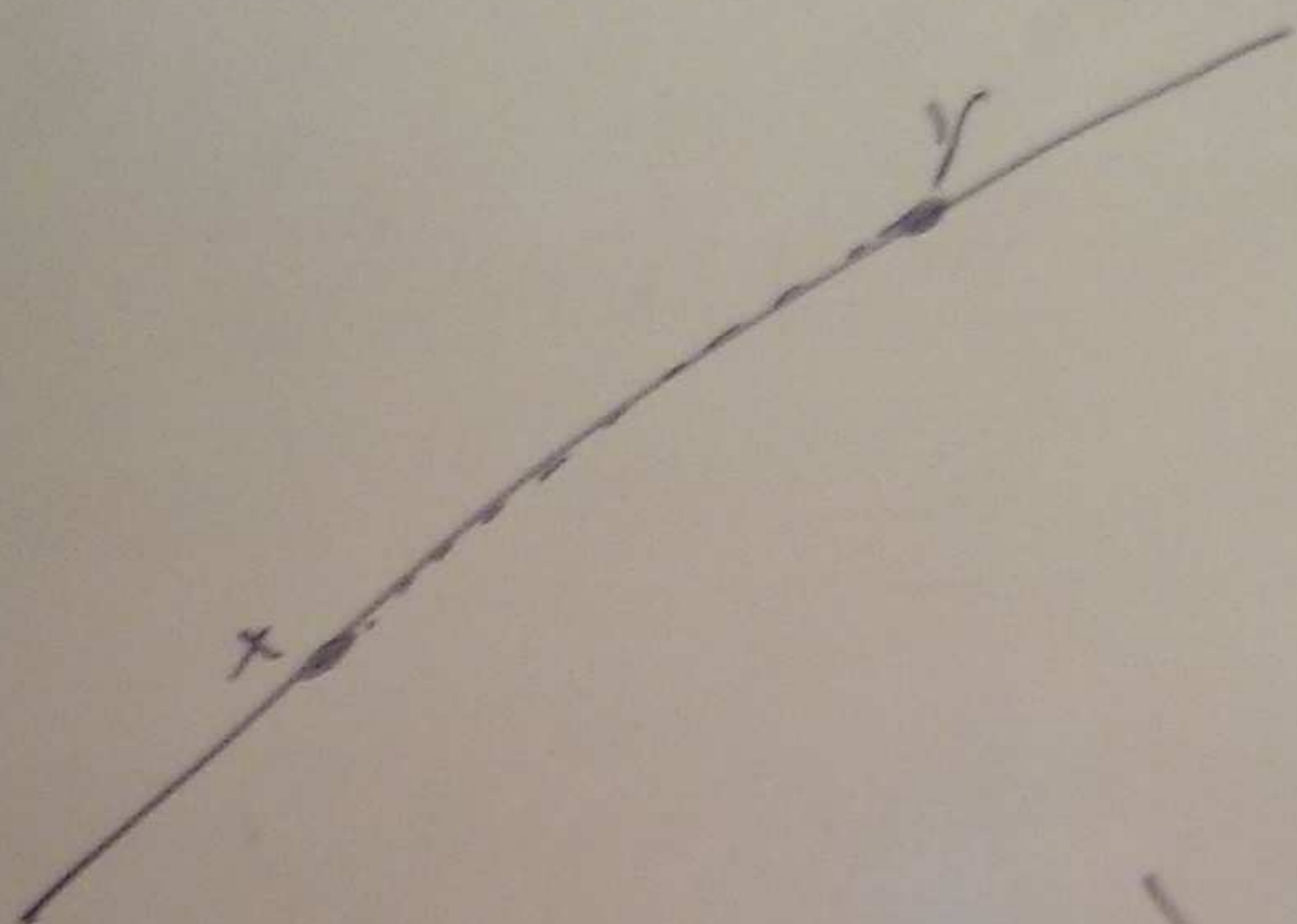
A set ' $C$ ' is convex if

$$\theta(x) + (1 - \theta)y \in C$$

$$\forall x, y \in C, 0 \leq \theta \leq 1.$$



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Linear equality:  $\{x \mid a^T x = b\}$

inequality:  $\{x \mid a^T x \leq b\}$

norm-"ball":  $\{x \mid \|x\| \leq r\}$

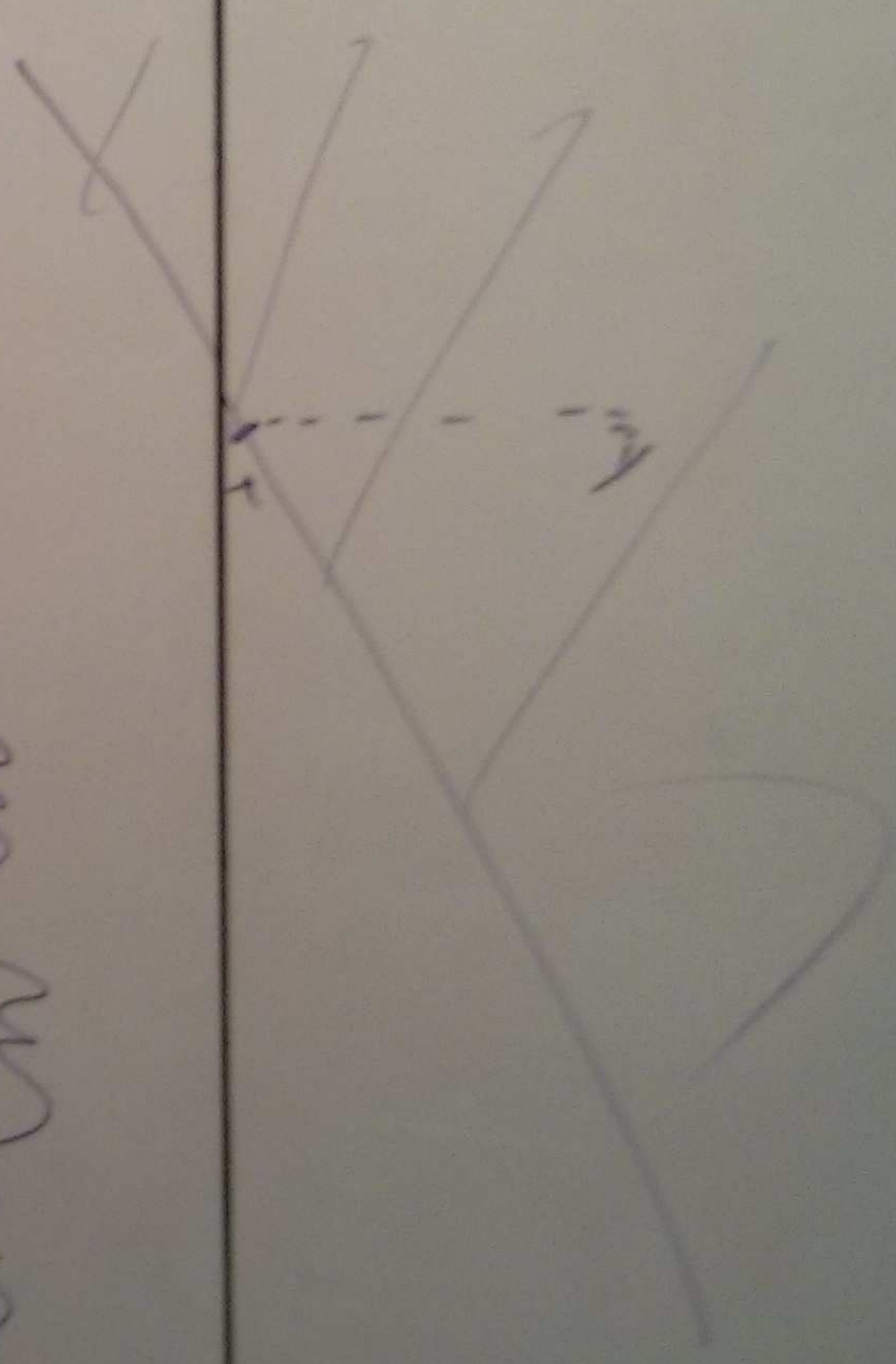
- "cone":  $\{(x, r) \mid \|x\| \leq r\}$

spectrahedron  $\{\Sigma \mid \Sigma \succeq 0\}$

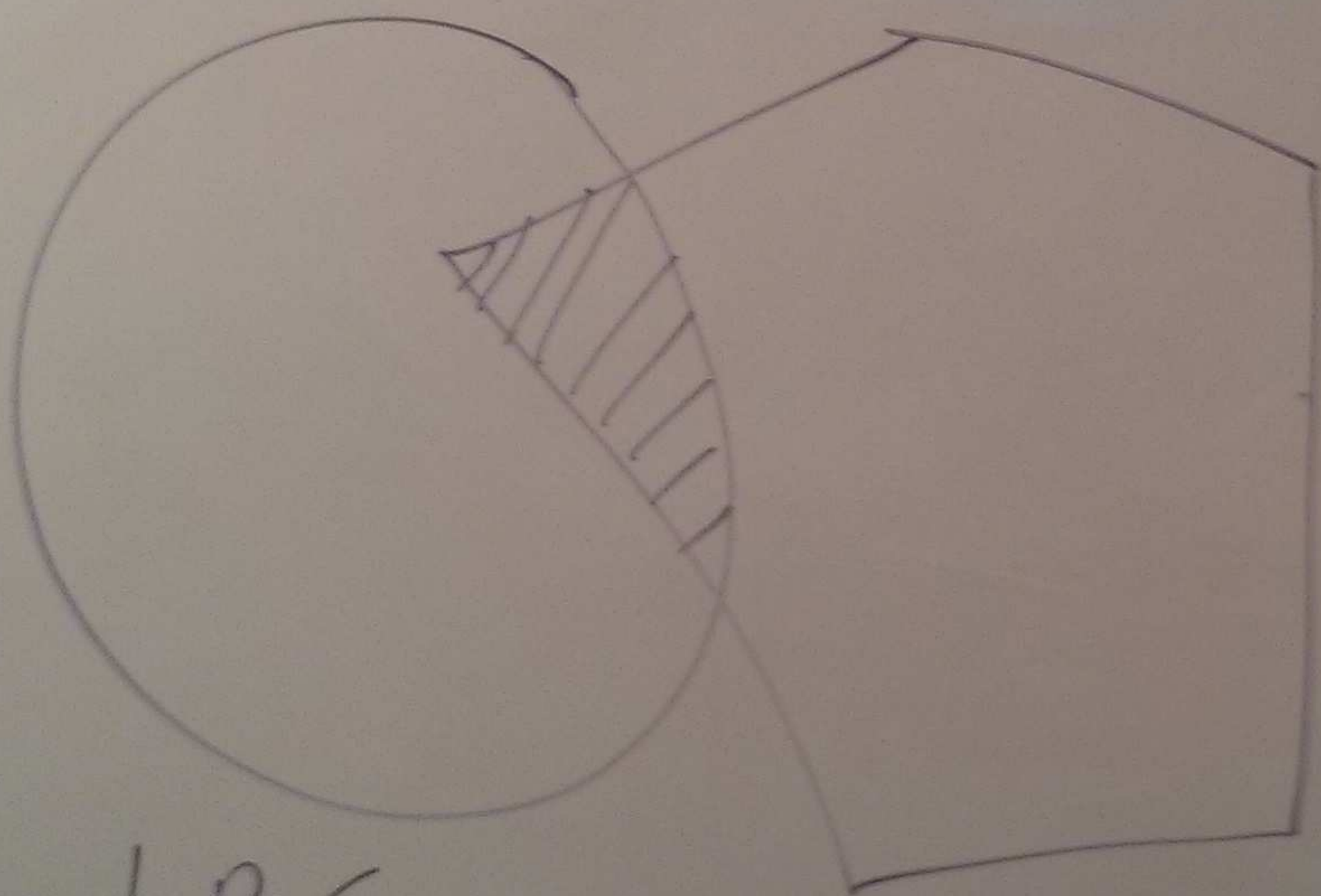
$\{\Sigma \mid \Sigma \succeq 0\}$

$\{x \mid f(x) \leq 0\}$

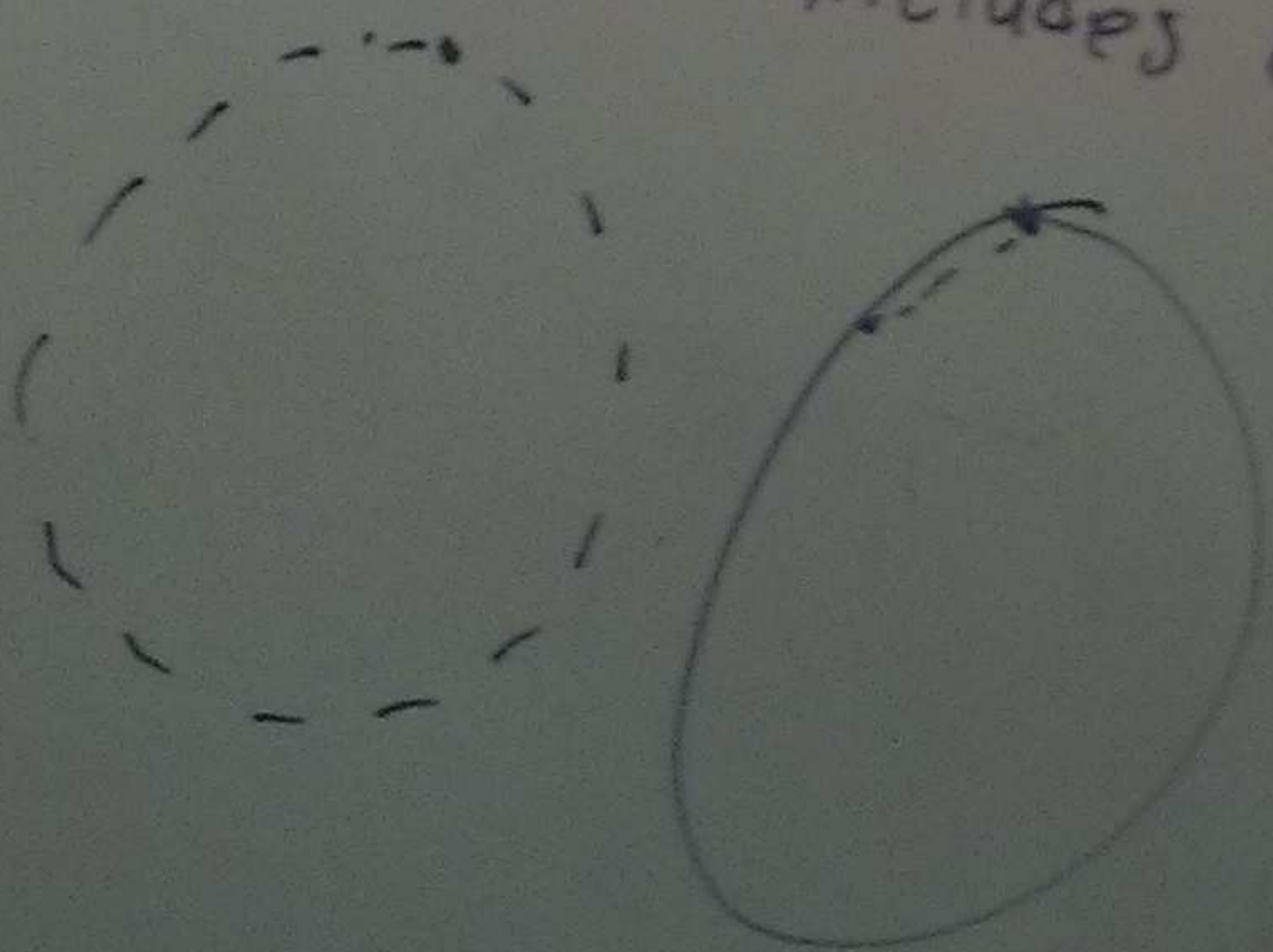
for any convex 'f'.



Intersection of convex sets is convex



LP:  $\{x \mid Ax \leq b, A_{eq}x = b_{eq}, LBS \leq x \leq UBS\}$   
"Closed" convex set  
if it includes boundary.

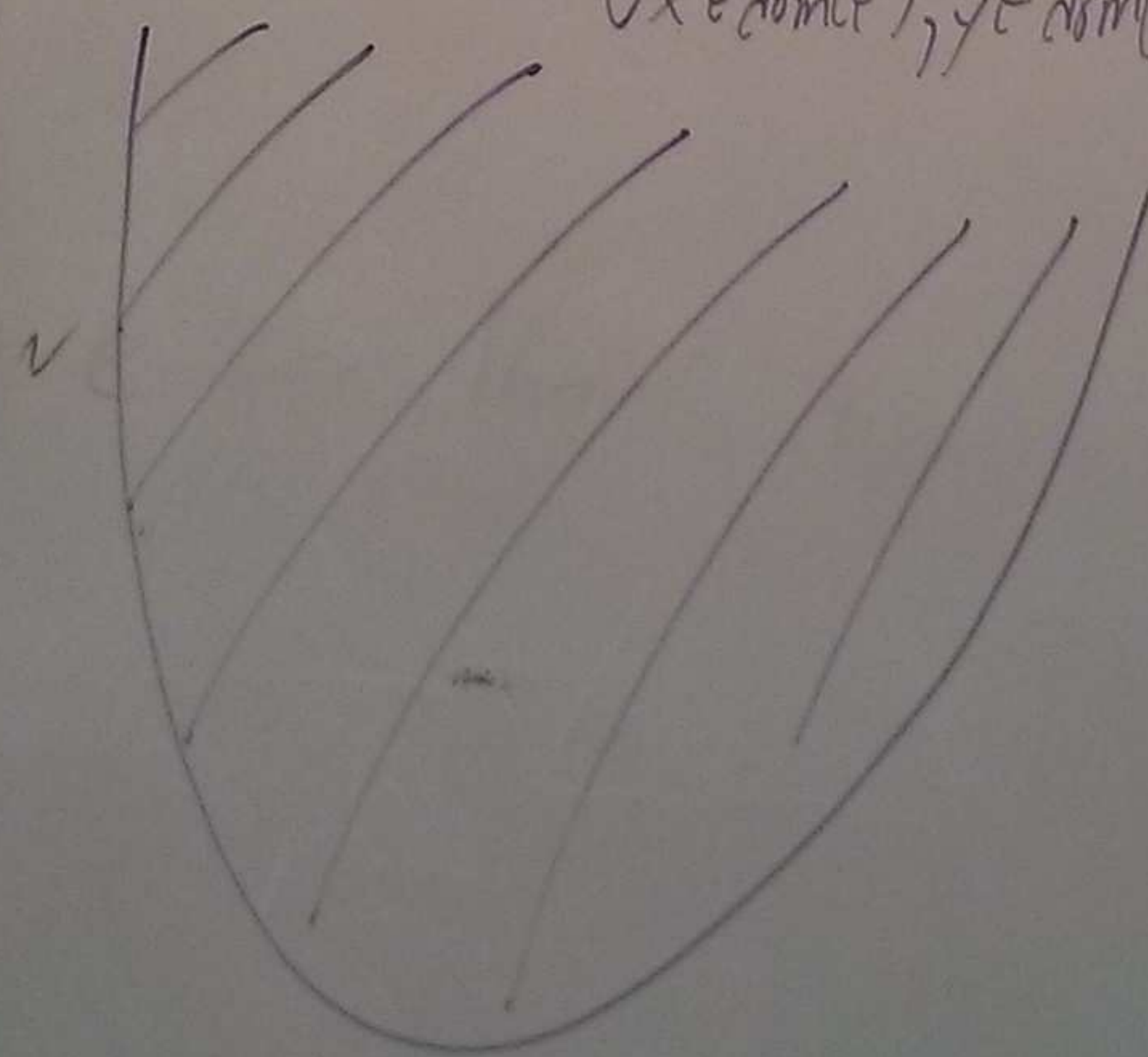
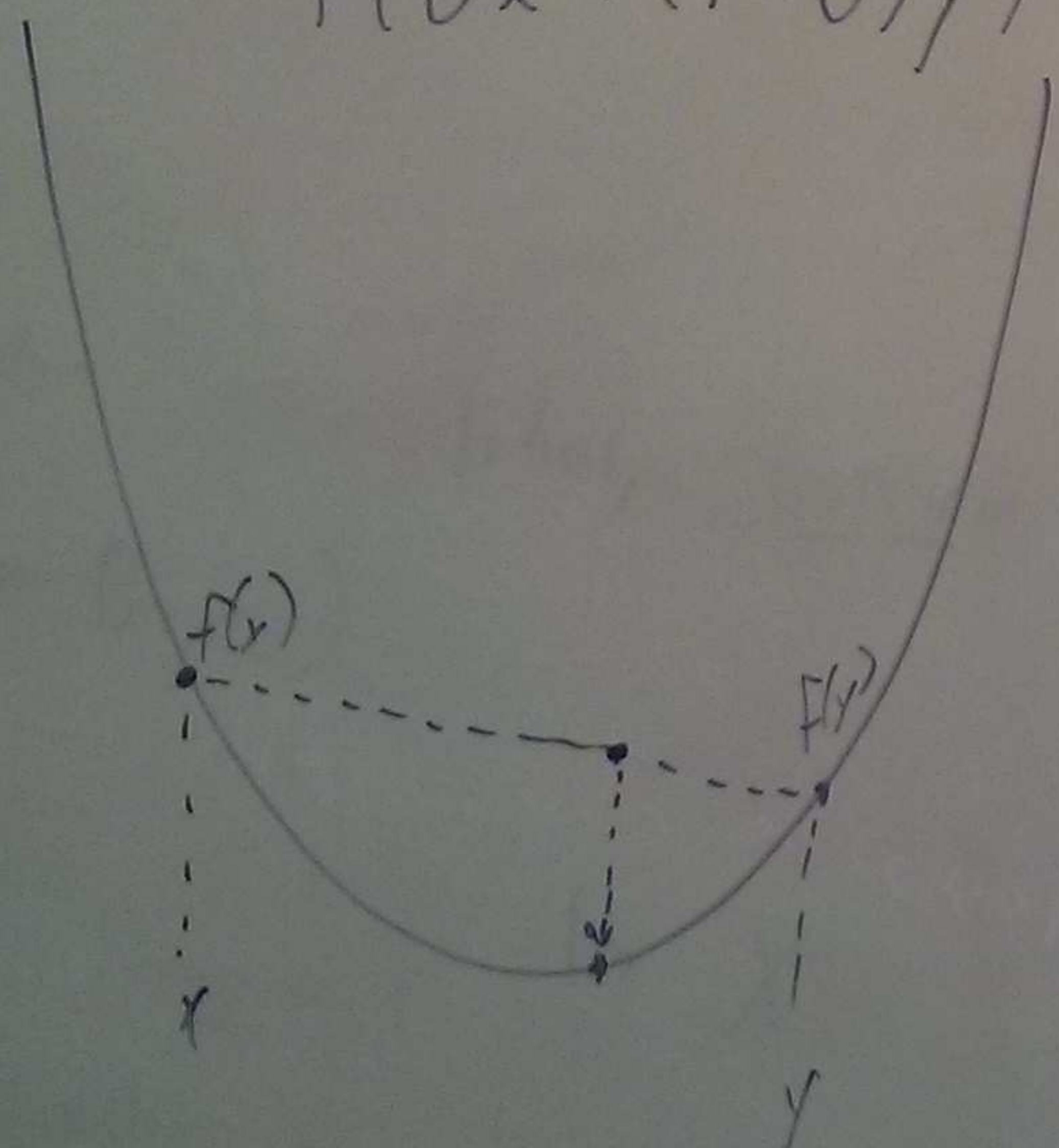


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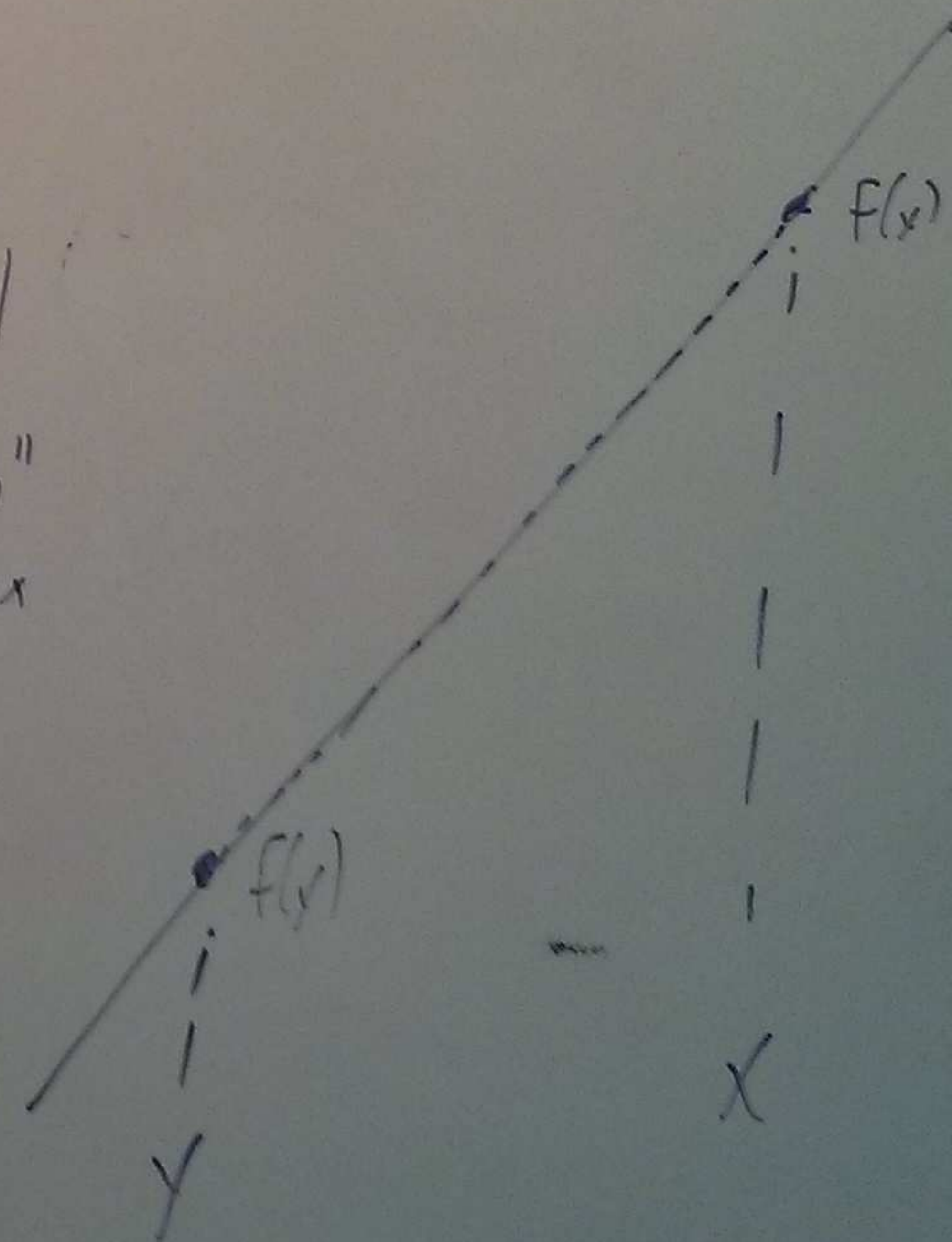
A function 'f' is convex if dom(f) is a convex set, and

$$f(\theta x + (1-\theta)y) \leq \theta f(x) + (1-\theta)f(y),$$

$$\forall x \in \text{dom}(f), y \in \text{dom}(f), 0 \leq \theta \leq 1$$

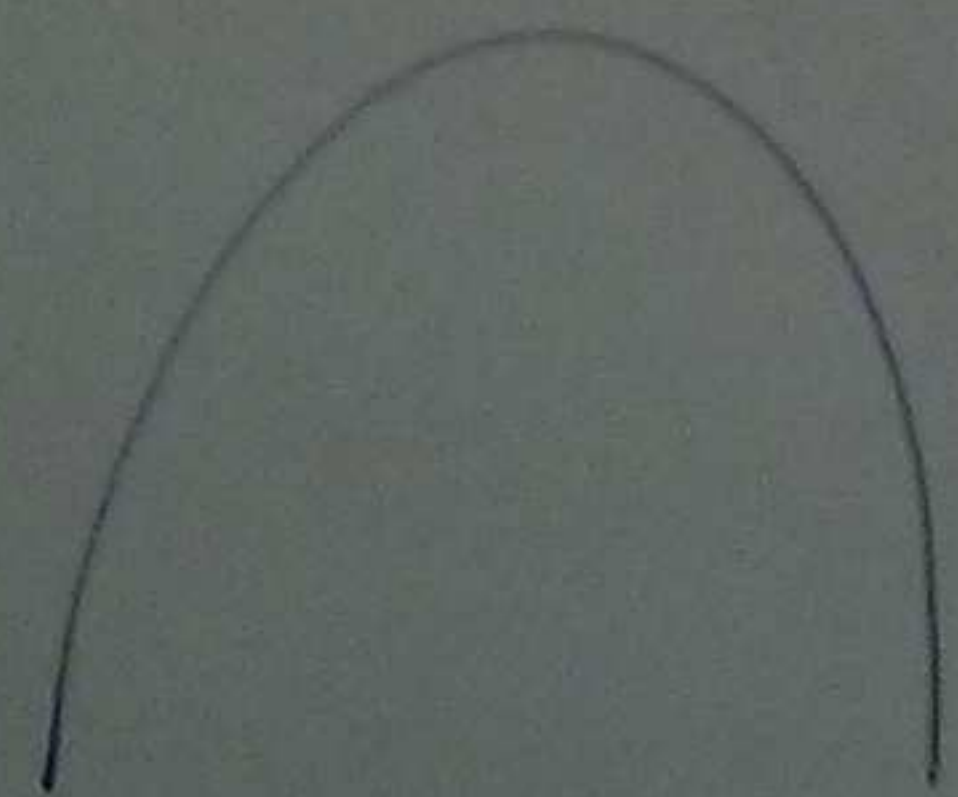


"epigraph" is convex set



Examples

f(x)



"concave"