

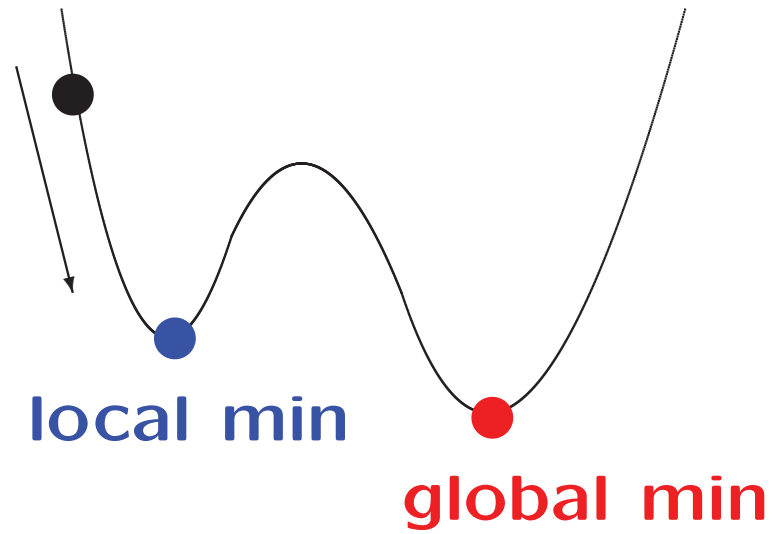
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# **Discrete Convex Analysis I: Concepts of Discrete Convex Functions**

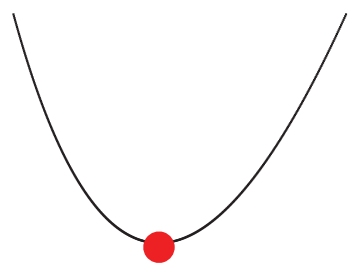
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# Minimization and Convexity

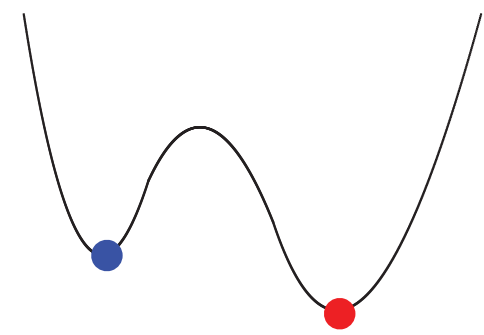
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**convex**



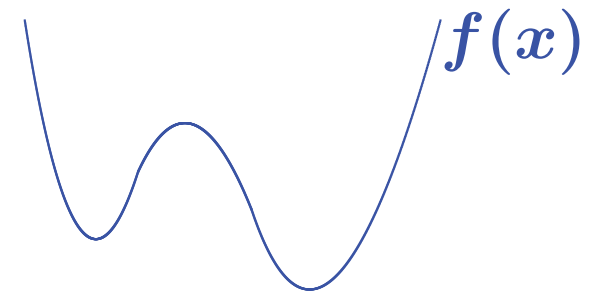
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# Convex Function



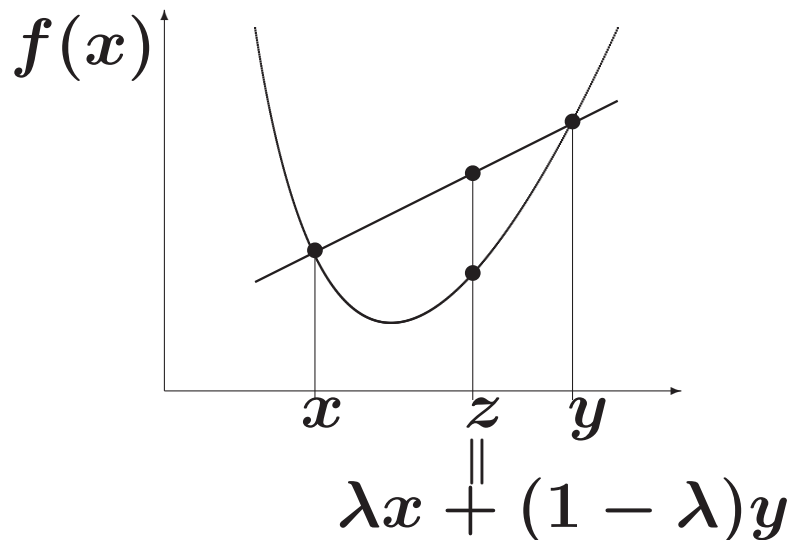
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$f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$  is convex  $\iff$

$$\lambda f(x) + (1 - \lambda)f(y) \geq f(\lambda x + (1 - \lambda)y) \quad (0 < \forall \lambda < 1)$$



$$\bar{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$$

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## Concepts of Discrete Convex Functions

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# Five Properties of “Convex” Functions

1. convex extension
2. local opt = global opt
3. conjugacy (Legendre transform)
4. separation theorem
5. Fenchel duality

# C1.

## Univariate

## Discrete Convex Functions

(Ingredients of convex analysis)

# Definition of “Convex” Function

$$f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$$

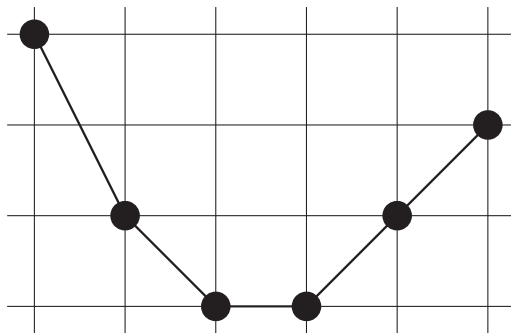
$$\overline{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$$

$$f(x-1) + f(x+1) \geq 2f(x)$$

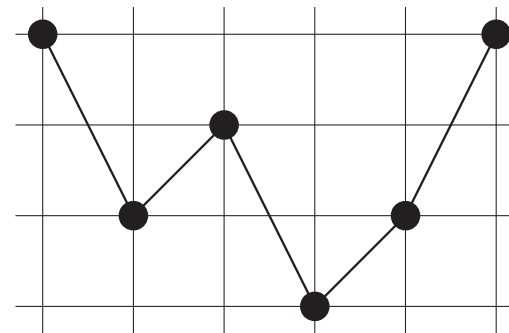
$$\iff f(x) + f(y) \geq f(x+1) + f(y-1) \quad (x < y)$$

$\iff f$  is **convex-extensible**, i.e.,

$\exists$  convex  $\bar{f} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  s.t.  $\bar{f}(x) = f(x) \quad (\forall x \in \mathbb{Z})$



convex



non-convex

# Local vs Global Optimality

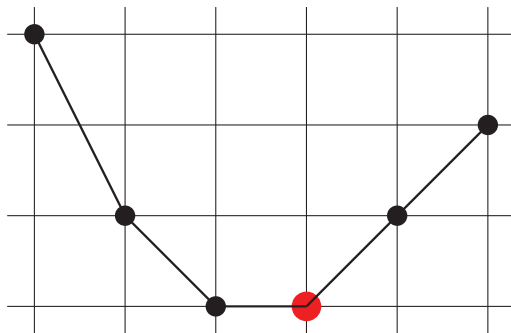
$$f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$$

**Theorem:**

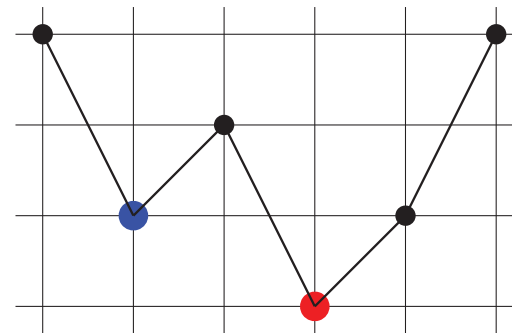
$x^*$ : global opt (min)

$\iff x^*$ : local opt (min)

$$f(x^*) \leq \min\{f(x^* - 1), f(x^* + 1)\}$$



convex

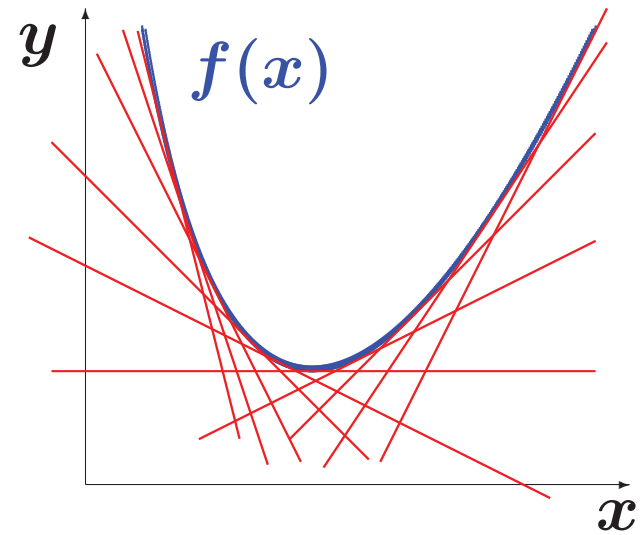
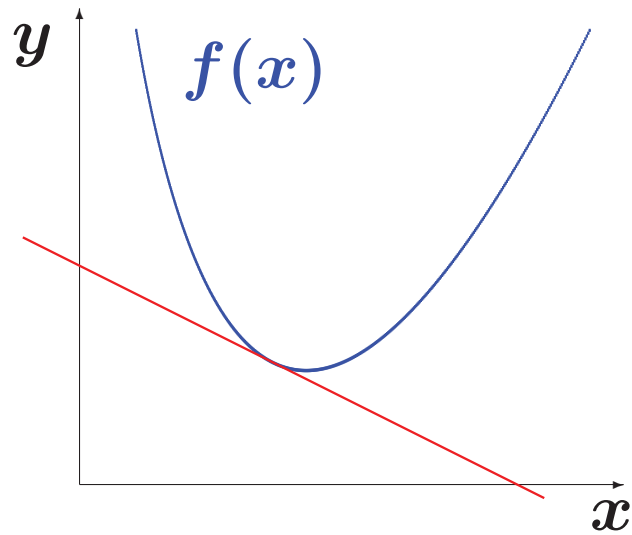


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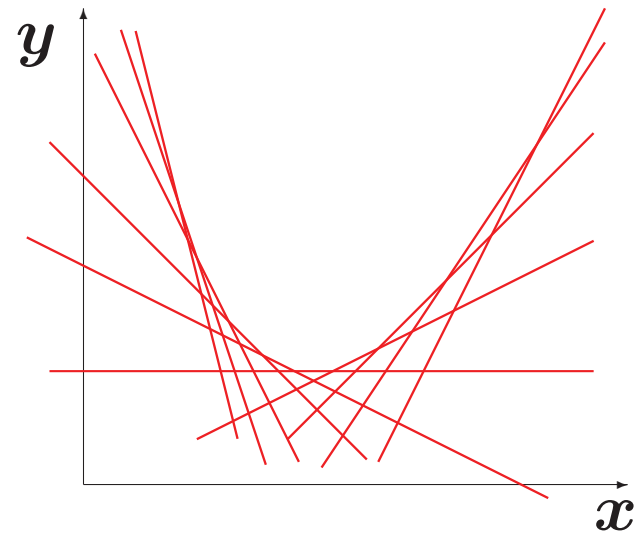
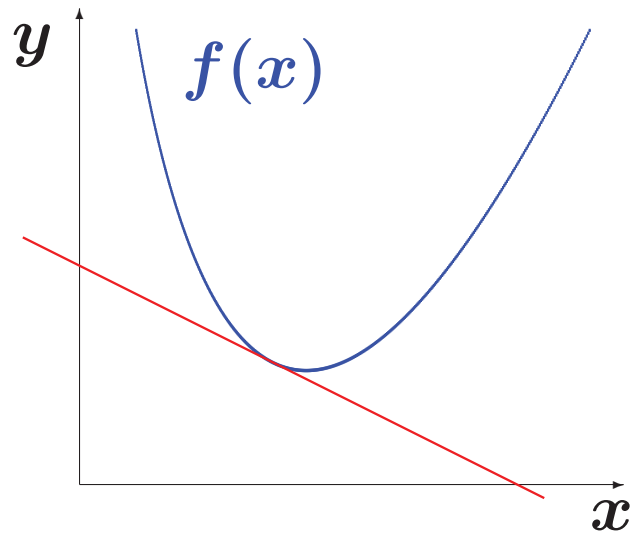


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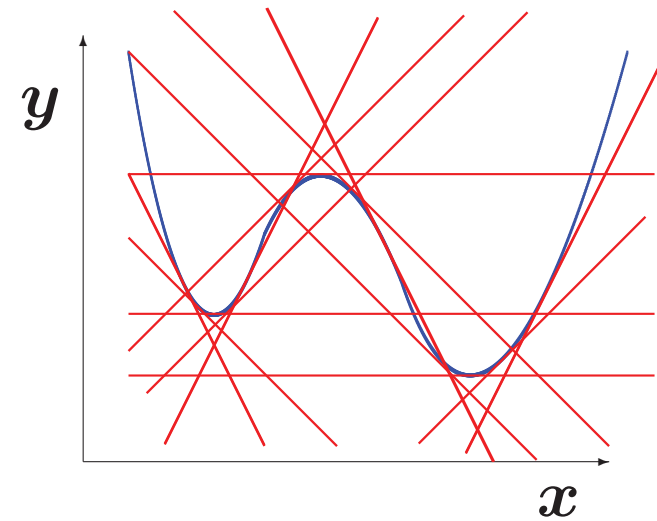
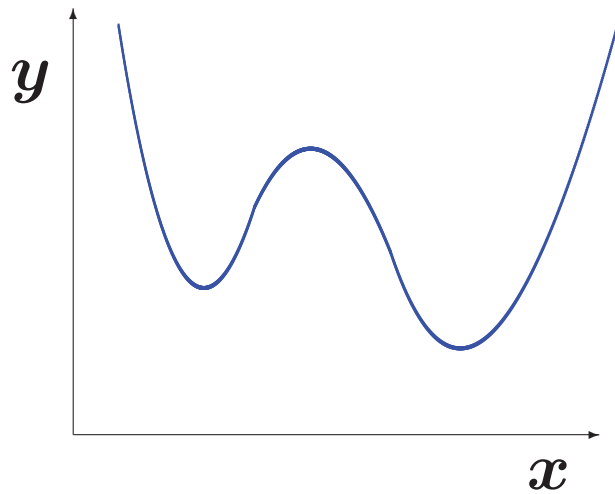
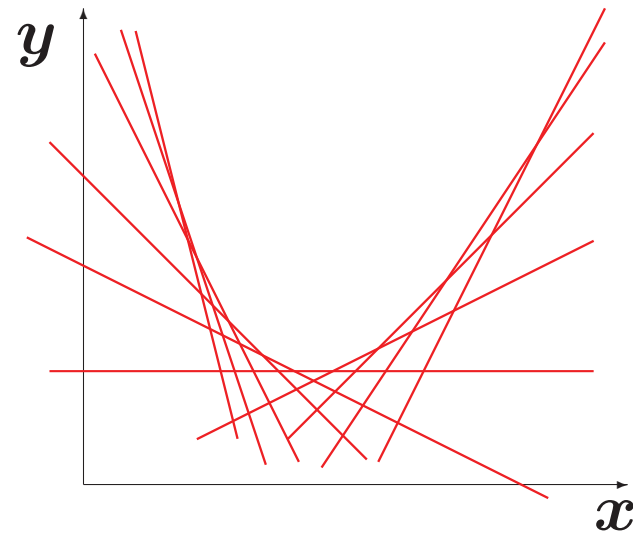
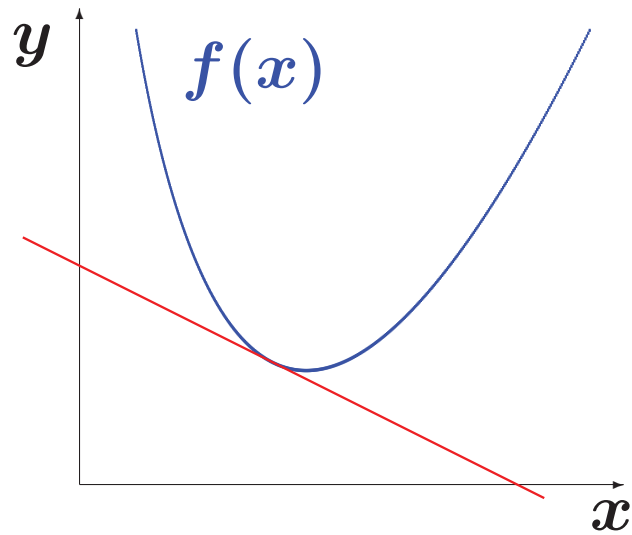
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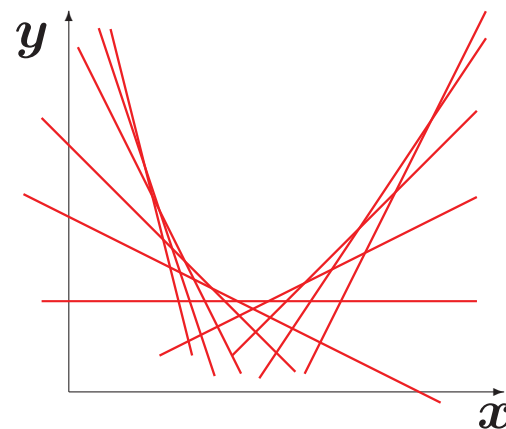
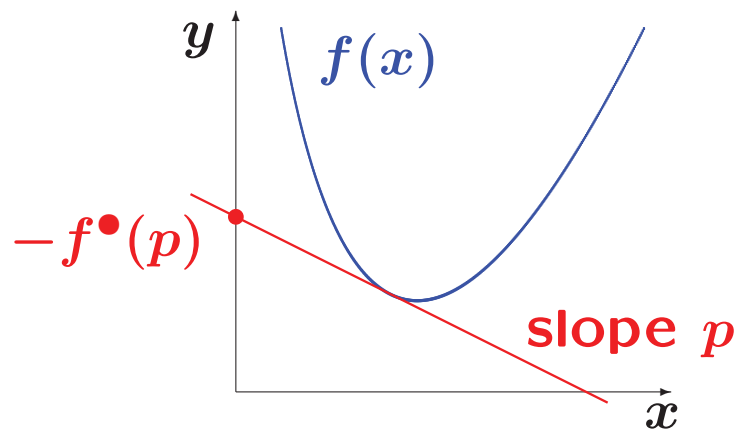


# Legendre Transformation

$f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Z}}$  (integer-valued)

Define **discrete Legendre transform** of  $f$  by

$$f^\bullet(p) = \sup\{px - f(x) \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\} \quad (p \in \mathbb{Z})$$

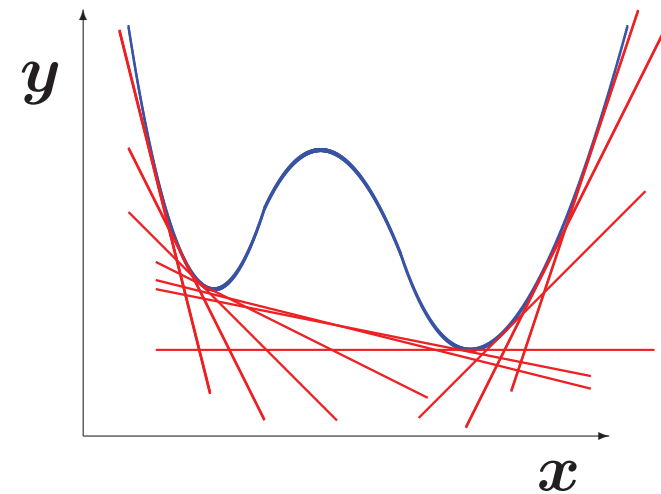
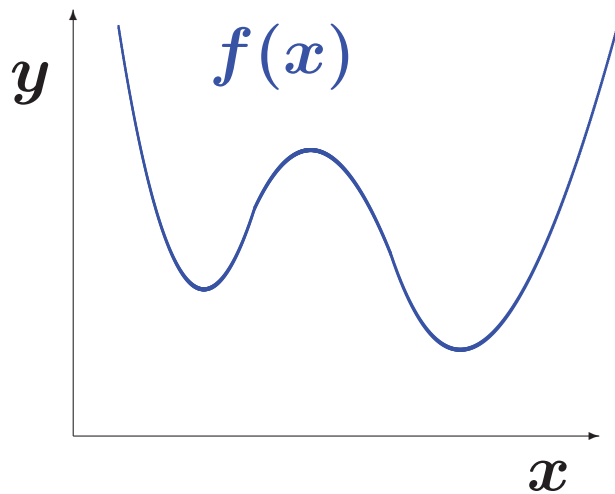
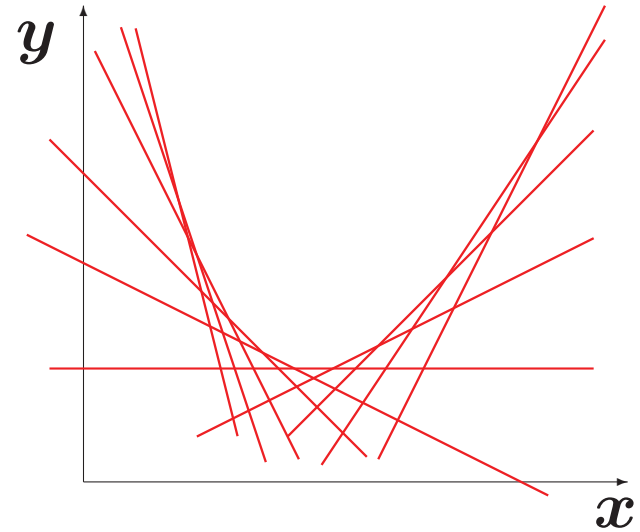
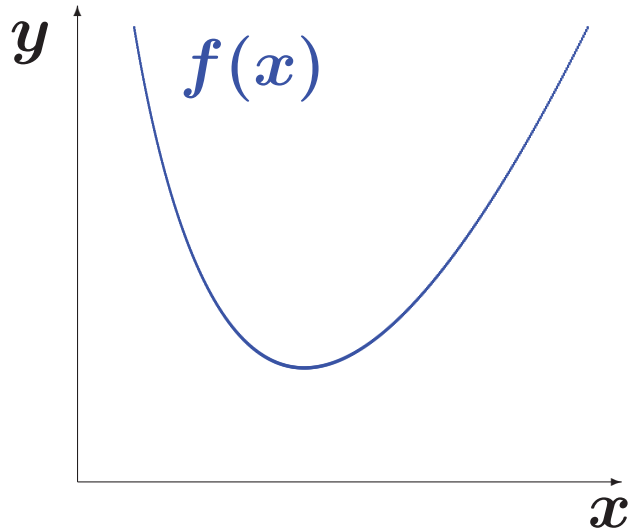


**Theorem:**

- (1)  $f^\bullet$  is  $\mathbb{Z}$ -valued convex function,  $f^\bullet : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Z}}$
- (2)  $(f^\bullet)^\bullet = f$  (biconjugacy)

# Legendre Transformation

$$f^\bullet(p) = \sup\{px - f(x) \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$



# Conjugacy for Quadratic Function

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$$f(x) = x^2$$

$$\mathbb{R}: f^\bullet(p) = \max\{px - x^2 \mid x \in \mathbb{R}\} = \frac{1}{4}p^2$$

$$f^{\bullet\bullet}(x) = \max\{px - \frac{1}{4}p^2 \mid p \in \mathbb{R}\} = x^2$$

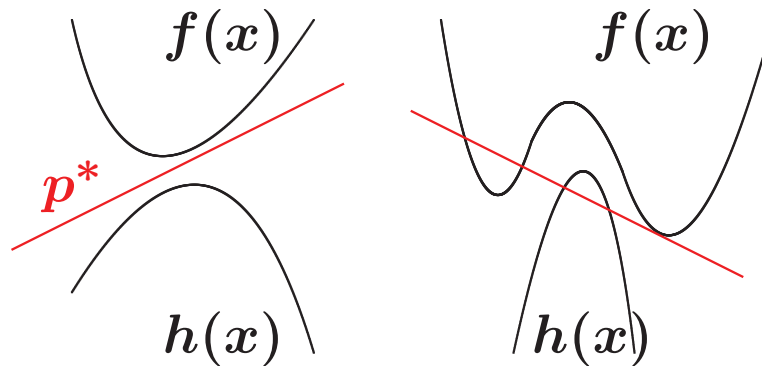
$$\mathbb{Z}: f^\bullet(p) = \max\{px - x^2 \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\} = \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor \cdot \left\lceil \frac{p}{2} \right\rceil$$

$$f^{\bullet\bullet}(x) = \max\left\{px - \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor \cdot \left\lceil \frac{p}{2} \right\rceil \mid p \in \mathbb{Z}\right\} = x^2$$

# Separation Theorem

$f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$   
convex

$h : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \underline{\mathbb{R}}$   
concave



## Theorem (Discrete Separation Theorem)

(1)  $f(x) \geq h(x) \quad (\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}) \Rightarrow \exists \alpha^* \in \mathbb{R}, \exists p^* \in \mathbb{R}:$

$$f(x) \geq \alpha^* + p^* x \geq h(x) \quad (\forall x \in \mathbb{Z})$$

(2)  $f, h$ : integer-valued  $\Rightarrow \alpha^* \in \mathbb{Z}, p^* \in \mathbb{Z}$

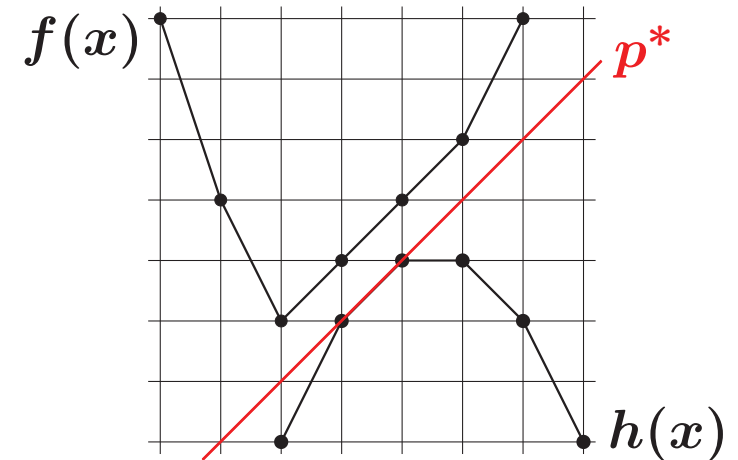
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# Fenchel Duality (Min-Max)

$f : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{Z}}$ : convex,       $h : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \underline{\mathbb{Z}}$ : concave

Legendre transforms:

$$f^\bullet(p) = \sup\{px - f(x) \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

$$h^\circ(p) = \inf\{px - h(x) \mid x \in \mathbb{Z}\}$$

**Theorem:**

$$\inf_{x \in \mathbb{Z}} \{f(x) - h(x)\} = \sup_{p \in \mathbb{Z}} \{h^\circ(p) - f^\bullet(p)\}$$

# Five Properties of “Convex” Functions

1. convex extension
2. local opt = global opt
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hold for **univariate**  
**discrete convex functions**

# C2.

## Classes of

## Discrete Convex Functions

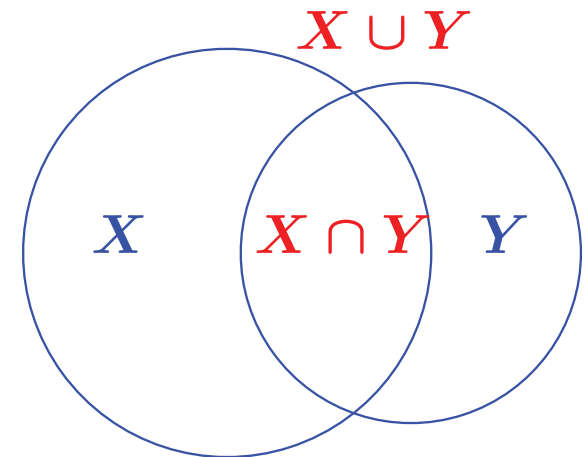
# Submodular Function

$$\bar{\mathbb{R}} = \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$$

Set function  $\rho : 2^V \rightarrow \bar{\mathbb{R}}$  is **submodular**



$$\rho(X) + \rho(Y) \geq \rho(X \cup Y) + \rho(X \cap Y)$$



cf.  $|X| + |Y| = |X \cup Y| + |X \cap Y|$

Set function  $\iff$  Function on  $\{0, 1\}^n$

# Submodularity & Convexity in 1980's

$$\rho(X) + \rho(Y) \geq \rho(X \cup Y) + \rho(X \cap Y)$$

- **min/max algorithms**

(Grötschel–Lovász–Schrijver/ Jensen–Korte, Lovász)

**min  $\Rightarrow$  polynomial,    max  $\Rightarrow$  exponential**

- **Convex extension**

(Lovász)

**set fn is submod  $\Leftrightarrow$  Lovász ext is convex**

- **Duality theorems**

(Edmonds, Frank, Fujishige)

**discrete separation,    Fenchel min-max**

**Submodular set functions  
= Convexity + Discreteness**

# Submodular functions and convexity

11th Math.Prog.Symp, Bonn, 1982

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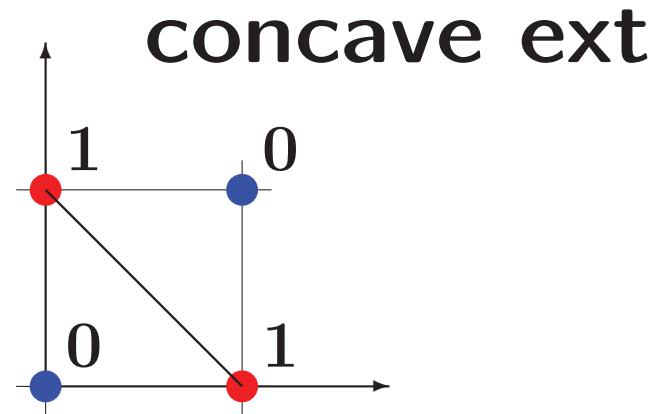
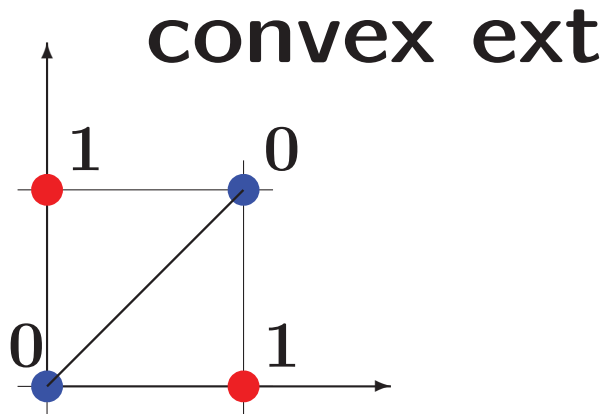
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- Convex functions occur in many mathematical models in economy, engineering, and other sciences. Convexity is a very natural property of various functions and domains occurring in such models; quite often the only non-trivial property which can be stated in general.
  - Convexity is preserved under many natural operations and transformations, and thereby the effective range of results can be extended, elegant proof techniques can be developed as well as unforeseen applications of certain results can be given.
  - Convex functions and domains exhibit sufficient structure so that a mathematically beautiful and practically useful theory can be developed.
  - There are theoretically and practically (reasonably) efficient methods to find the minimum of a convex function.

# Set Function and Extensions

Set function  $\iff$  Function on  $\{0, 1\}^n$

$$\rho(X) = \hat{\rho}(\chi_X)$$

Every set function  $\rho : \{0, 1\}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  can be extended to convex/concave function



cf. Lovász extension

# Five Properties of “Convex” Functions

1. convex extension
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4. separation theorem
5. Fenchel duality

hold for **submodular set functions**



# Classes of Discrete Convex Functions

- 1. Submodular set fn (on  $\{0,1\}^n$ )
- 1. Separable-convex fn on  $\mathbb{Z}^n$
- 1. Integrally-convex fn on  $\mathbb{Z}^n$
  
- 2. L-convex ( $L^\natural$ -convex) fn on  $\mathbb{Z}^n$
- 2. M-convex ( $M^\natural$ -convex) fn on  $\mathbb{Z}^n$
  
- 3. M-convex fn on jump systems
- 3. L-convex fn on graphs

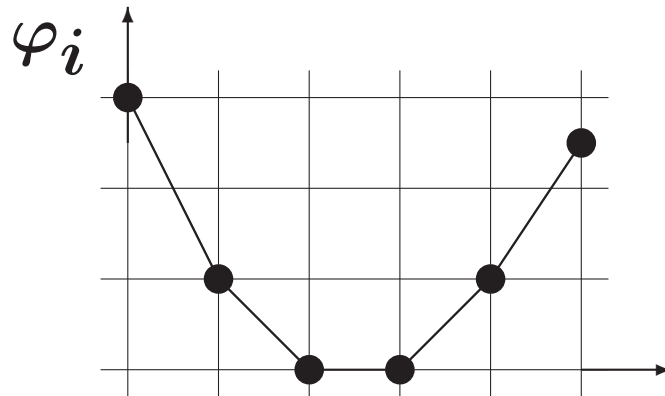
# Separable-convex Function

$f : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  is **separable-convex**

$\iff$

$$f(x) = \varphi_1(x_1) + \varphi_2(x_2) + \cdots + \varphi_n(x_n)$$

$\varphi_i$ : univariate convex



# Five Properties of “Convex” Functions

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hold for **separable**  
**discrete convex functions**

# Discrete Convex Functions

1. submodular (set fn)	✓
1. separable -conv	✓
1. integrally -conv	
2. L-conv( $\mathbb{Z}^n$ )	
2. M-conv( $\mathbb{Z}^n$ )	
3. M-conv(jump)	
3. L-conv(graph)	

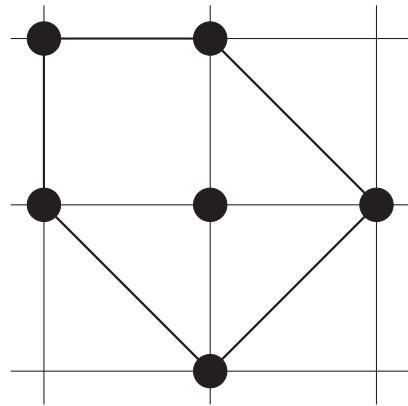
# Some History

- 1935 Matroid Whitney, Nakasawa
- 1965 Submodular function Edmonds
- 1969 Convex network flow (electr.circuit) Iri
- 1982 Submodularity and convexity**  
Frank, Fujishige, Lovász
- 1990 Valuated matroid Dress–Wenzel  
Integrally convex fn Favati–Tardella
- 1996 Discrete convex analysis** Murota  
 $M/L/M^\natural/L^\natural$  M.-Shioura, Fujishige-M.
- 2000 Submodular minimization algorithm  
Iwata–Fleischer–Fujishige, Schrijver
- 2006 M-convex fn on jump system Murota
- 2012 L-convex fn on graph** Hirai, Kolmogorov

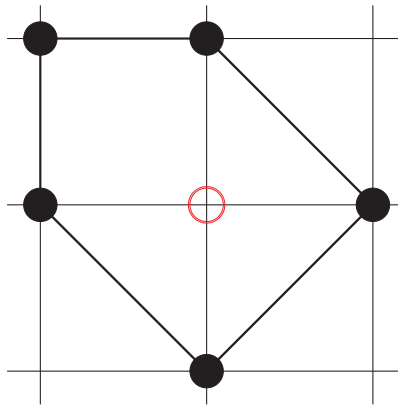
# Motivations/Applications/Connections

1. submodular	<b>MANY</b> problems graph cut, convex game
1. separable-conv	<b>MANY</b> problems min-cost flow, resource allocation
1. integrally-conv	economics, game
2. L-conv ( $\mathbb{Z}^n$ )	network tension, image processing OR (inventory, scheduling)
2. M-conv ( $\mathbb{Z}^n$ )	network flow, matching economics ( <b>game, auction</b> ) <b>mixed polynomial matrix</b>
3. M-conv (jump)	deg sequence, (2-)matching polynomial (half-plane property)
3. L-conv (graph)	<b>multiflow, multifacility location</b>

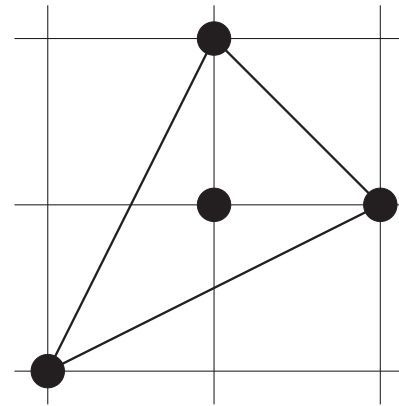
# Integrally Convex Set $\subseteq \mathbb{Z}^n$



YES

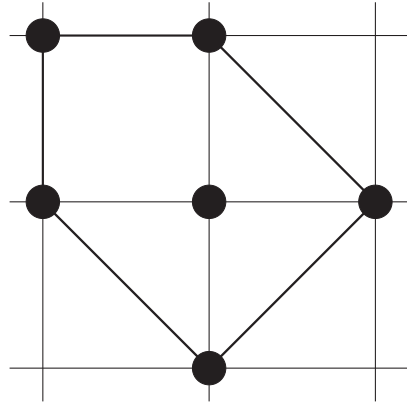


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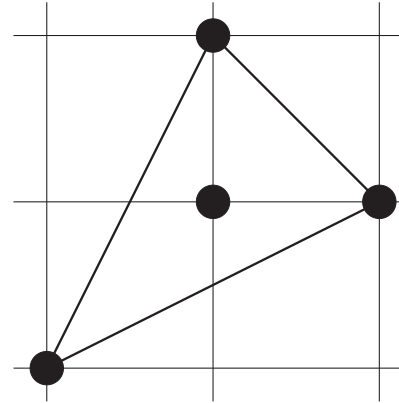


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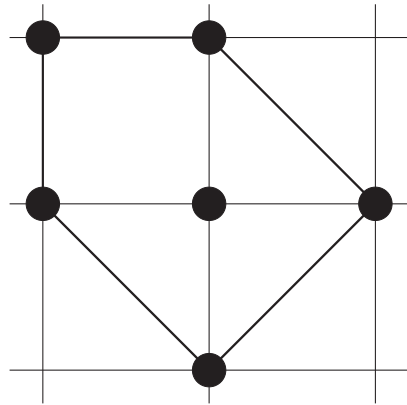
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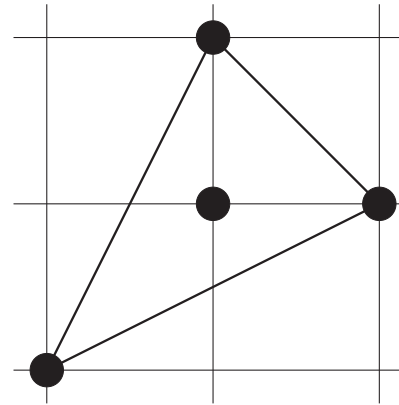
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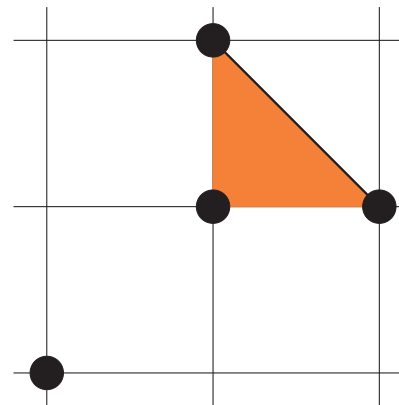
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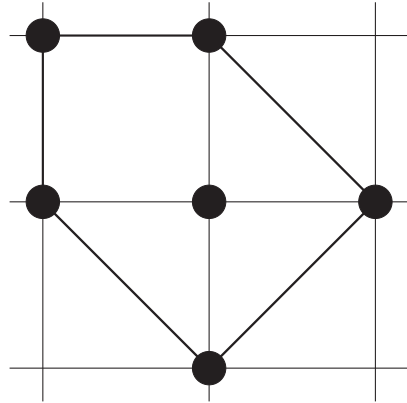
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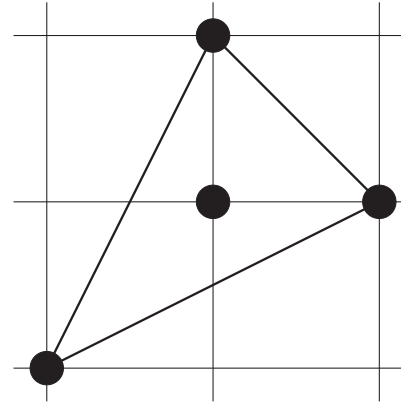
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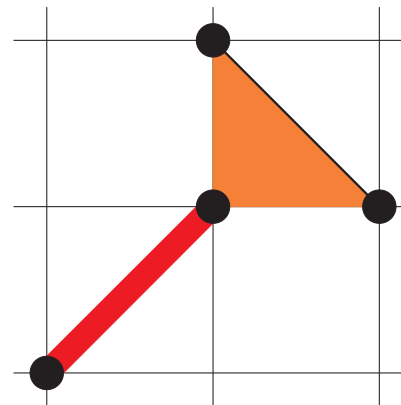
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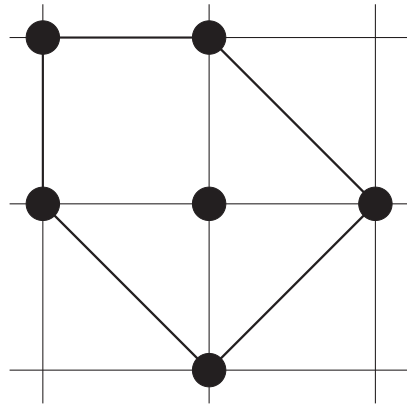
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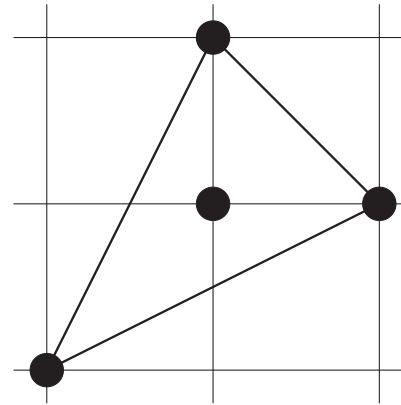
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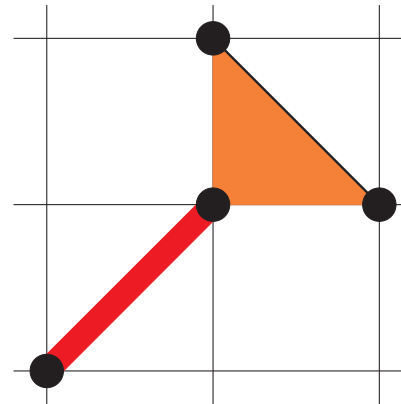
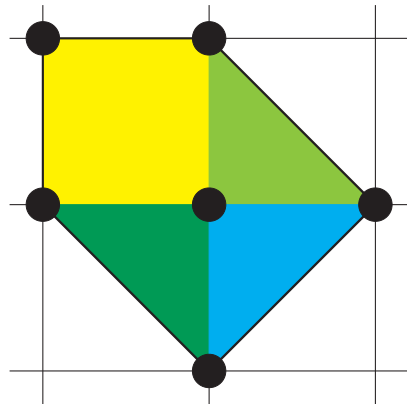
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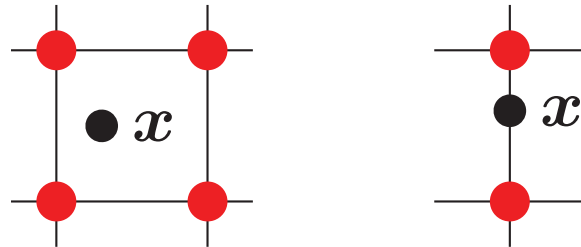
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# Integrally Convex Function

(Favati-Tardella 1990)

$$N(x) = \{y \in \mathbb{Z}^n \mid \|x - y\|_\infty < 1\} \quad (x \in \mathbb{R}^n)$$

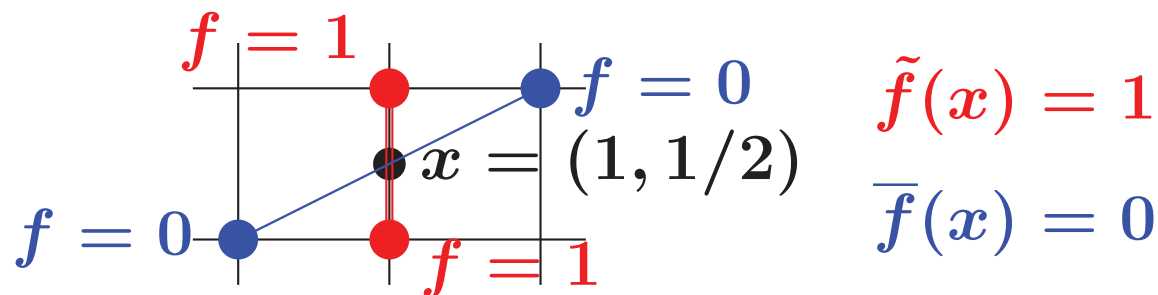


Local convex extension:

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \sup_{p, \alpha} \{ \langle p, x \rangle + \alpha \mid \langle p, y \rangle + \alpha \leq f(y) \ (\forall y \in N(x)) \}$$

Def:  $f$  is integrally convex  $\iff \tilde{f}$  is convex

Ex:  $f(x_1, x_2) = |x_1 - 2x_2|$  is NOT integrally convex



# Five Properties of “Convex” Functions

1. convex extension
2. local opt = global opt
3. biconjugacy (Legendre transform  $\times 2$ )

hold, but

3. conjugacy (Legendre transform)
4. separation theorem
5. Fenchel duality

fail for **integrally convex functions**

# Discrete Convex Functions

1. submodular (set fn)	✓
1. separable -conv	✓
1. integrally -conv	✓
2. L-conv( $\mathbb{Z}^n$ )	
2. M-conv( $\mathbb{Z}^n$ )	
3. M-conv(jump)	
3. L-conv(graph)	

# Classes of Discrete Convex Functions

$$f : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$$

convex-extensible

integrally convex

$M^{\natural}$ -convex

separable  
convex

$L^{\natural}$ -convex

$$M^{\natural} \cap L^{\natural} = \text{separable}$$

# C3.

## L-convex Functions



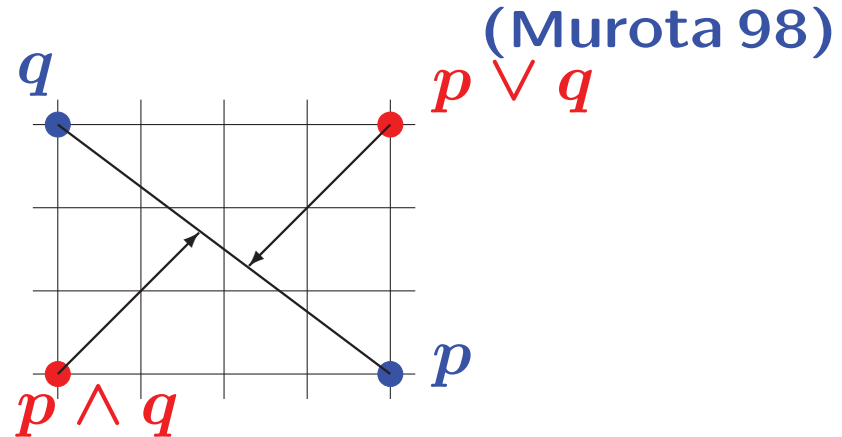
# L-convex Function

(L = Lattice)

$$g : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$$

$p \vee q$  compnt-max

$p \wedge q$  compnt-min

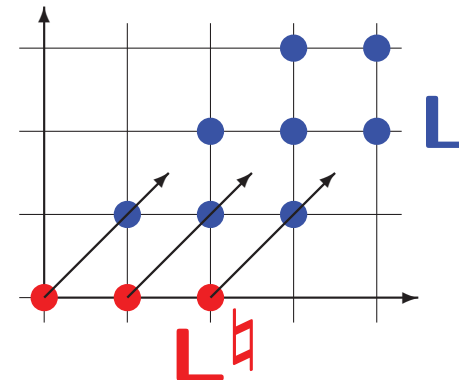


**Def:**  $g$  is L-convex  $\iff$

• Submodular:  $g(p) + g(q) \geq g(p \vee q) + g(p \wedge q)$

• Translation:  $\exists r, \forall p: g(p + 1) = g(p) + r$

$$1 = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$$



# $L_{\boxplus}$ -convexity from Submodularity

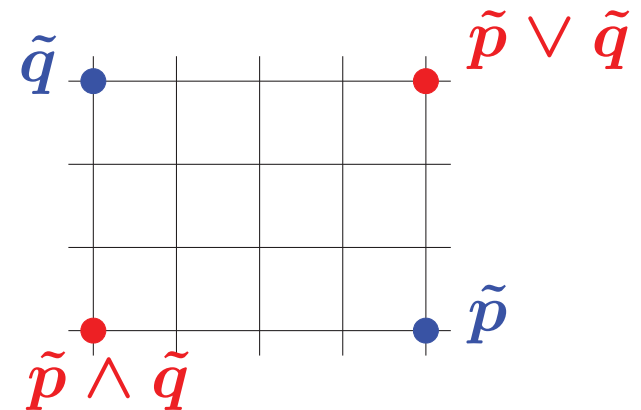
(Murota 98, Fujishige–Murota 2000)

$$g : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad L_{\boxplus}\text{-convex} \iff$$

$$\tilde{g}(p_0, p) = g(p - p_0 \mathbf{1}) \text{ is submodular in } (p_0, p)$$

$$\tilde{g} : \mathbb{Z}^{n+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, \quad \mathbf{1} = (1, 1, \dots, 1)$$

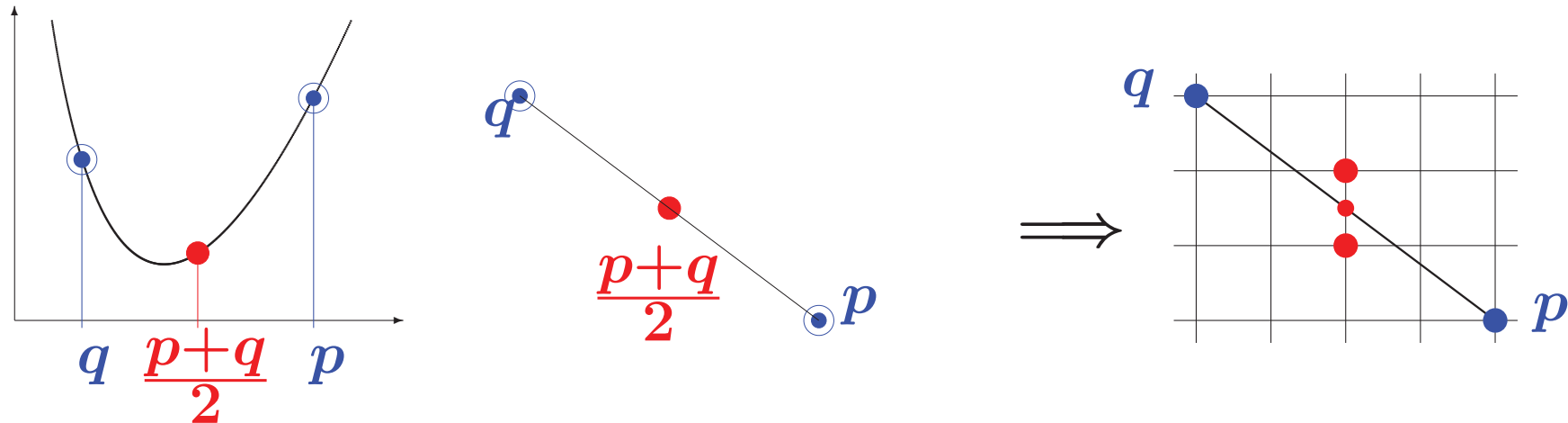
$$\tilde{g}(\tilde{p}) + \tilde{g}(\tilde{q}) \geq \tilde{g}(\tilde{p} \vee \tilde{q}) + \tilde{g}(\tilde{p} \wedge \tilde{q})$$



$$L_{n+1} \simeq L_n^{\boxplus} \supsetneq L_n$$

# $L^{\natural}$ -convexity from Mid-pt-convexity

(Favati-Tardella 1990, Fujishige–Murota 2000)



Mid-point convex ( $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ):

$$g(p) + g(q) \geq 2g\left(\frac{p+q}{2}\right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  **Discrete mid-point convex ( $g : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ )**

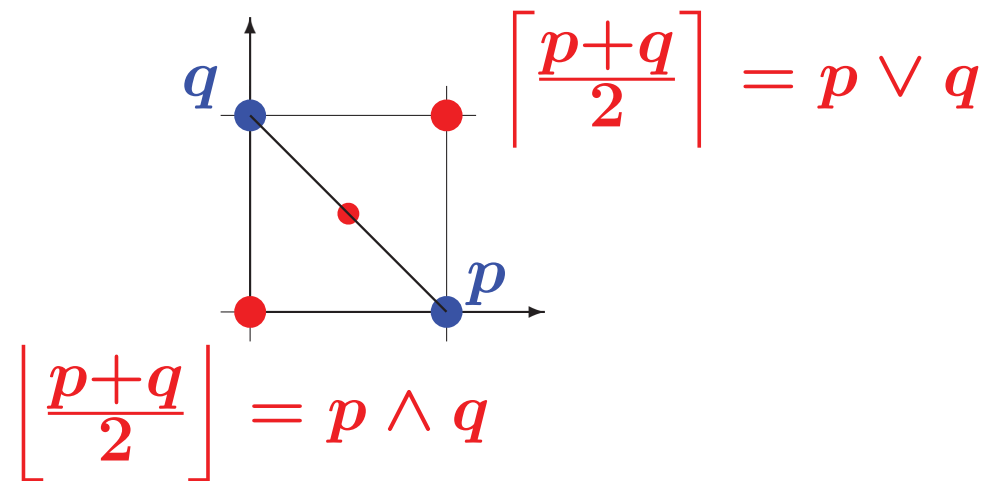
$$g(p) + g(q) \geq g\left(\left\lceil \frac{p+q}{2} \right\rceil\right) + g\left(\left\lfloor \frac{p+q}{2} \right\rfloor\right)$$

**$L^{\natural}$ -convex function**

( $L = \text{Lattice}$ )

# Mid-pt Convexity for 01-Vectors

For  $p, q \in \{0, 1\}^n$



**Discrete mid-pt convexity:**

$$g(p) + g(q) \geq g\left(\left\lceil \frac{p+q}{2} \right\rceil\right) + g\left(\left\lfloor \frac{p+q}{2} \right\rfloor\right)$$

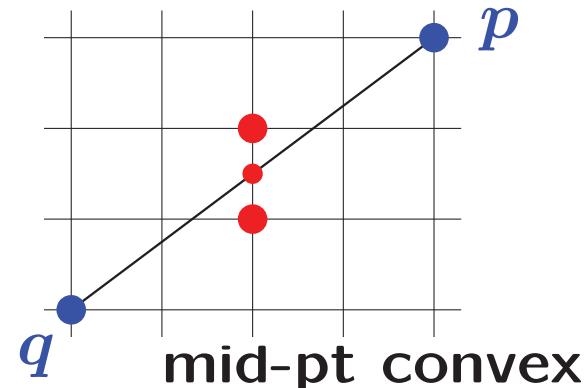
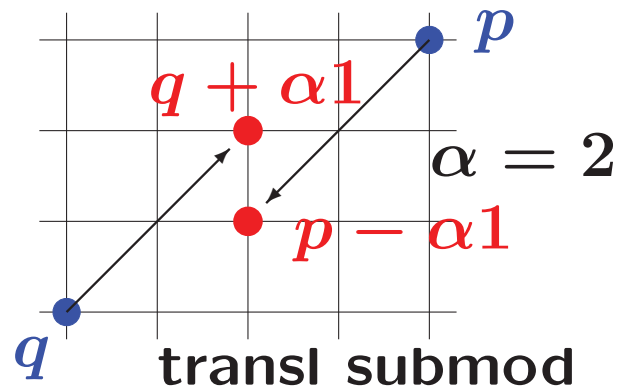
$\iff$  **Submodularity:**

$$g(p) + g(q) \geq g(p \vee q) + g(p \wedge q)$$

# Translation Submodularity ( $L^{\natural}$ )

$$g(p) + g(q) \geq g((p - \alpha 1) \vee q) + g(p \wedge (q + \alpha 1))$$

$$(\alpha \geq 0)$$



$\tilde{g}(p_0, p) = g(p - p_0 1)$  is submodular in  $(p_0, p)$

(Fujishige-Murota 00)

$\Leftrightarrow$  translation submodular

(Fujishige-Murota 00)

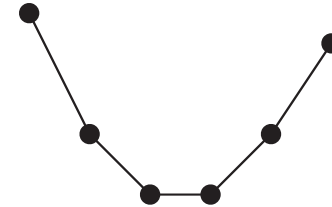
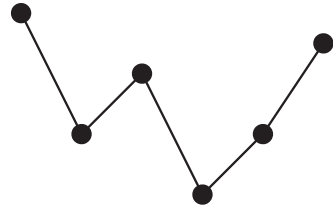
$\Leftrightarrow$  discrete mid-pt convex

(Favati-Tardella 90)

$\Leftrightarrow$  submod. integ. convex

# Rem: $L^{\natural}$ -convex vs Submodular

$n = 1$



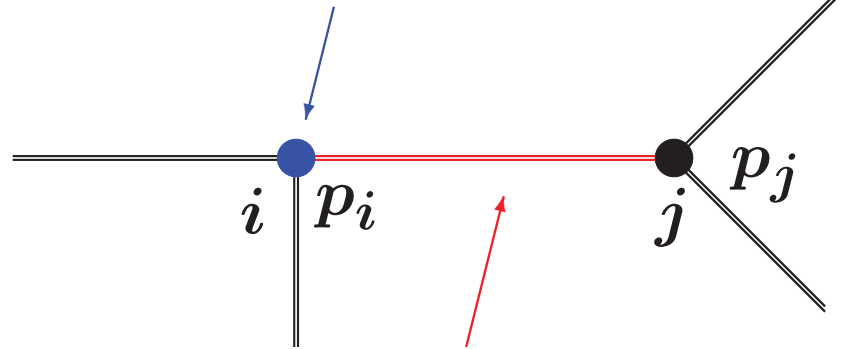
**Fact 1:** Every  $g : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is **submodular**

**Fact 2:**  $g : \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is  **$L^{\natural}$ -convex**

$$\iff g(p-1) + g(p+1) \geq 2g(p) \text{ for all } p \in \mathbb{Z}$$

# Typical $L^{\natural}$ -convex Function: Energy Function

$$\psi_i(p_i) = \alpha_i |p_i - \pi_i|^2$$



$\pi_i$ : given

$\alpha_i, \alpha_{ij} \geq 0$

$$\psi_{ij}(p_i - p_j) = \alpha_{ij} |p_i - p_j|^2$$

$$g(p) = \sum_i \psi_i(p_i) + \sum_{i \neq j} \psi_{ij}(p_i - p_j) \quad \text{is } L^{\natural}\text{-convex}$$

$\psi_i, \psi_{ij}$ : any univariate convex functions

# L<sup>♯</sup>-convex Function: Examples

**Quadratic:**  $g(p) = \sum_i \sum_j a_{ij} p_i p_j$  is L<sup>♯</sup>-convex

$$\Leftrightarrow a_{ij} \leq 0 \quad (i \neq j), \quad \sum_j a_{ij} \geq 0 \quad (\forall i)$$

**Energy function:** For univariate convex  $\psi_i$  and  $\psi_{ij}$

$$g(p) = \sum_i \psi_i(p_i) + \sum_{i \neq j} \psi_{ij}(p_i - p_j)$$

**Range:**  $g(p) = \max\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\} - \min\{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$

**Submodular set function:**  $\rho : 2^V \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \rho(X) = g(\chi_X) \quad \text{for some L}^\sharp\text{-convex } g$$

**Multimodular:**  $h : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  is multimodular  $\Leftrightarrow$

$h(p) = g(p_1, p_1 + p_2, \dots, p_1 + \dots + p_n)$  for L<sup>♯</sup>-convex  $g$



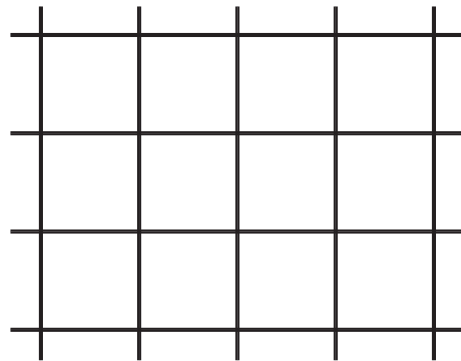
# Five Properties of “Convex” Functions

1. convex extension
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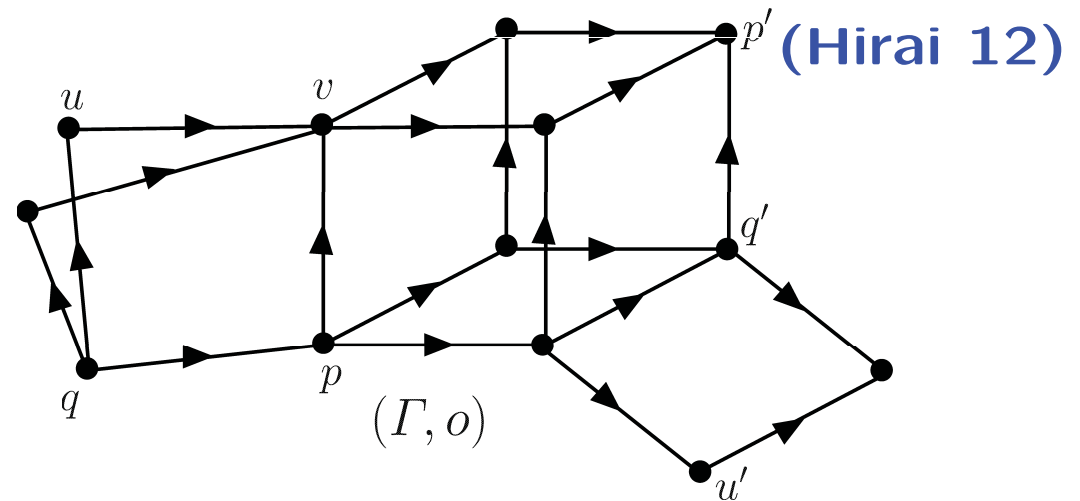
hold for **L-convex functions**

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# L-convex Function on Graphs



integer lattice

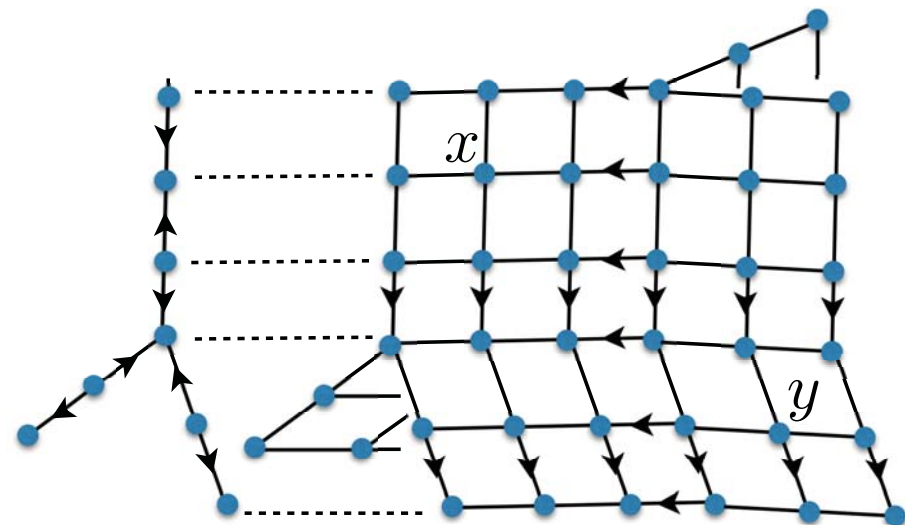


oriented modular graph

direct product of trees:

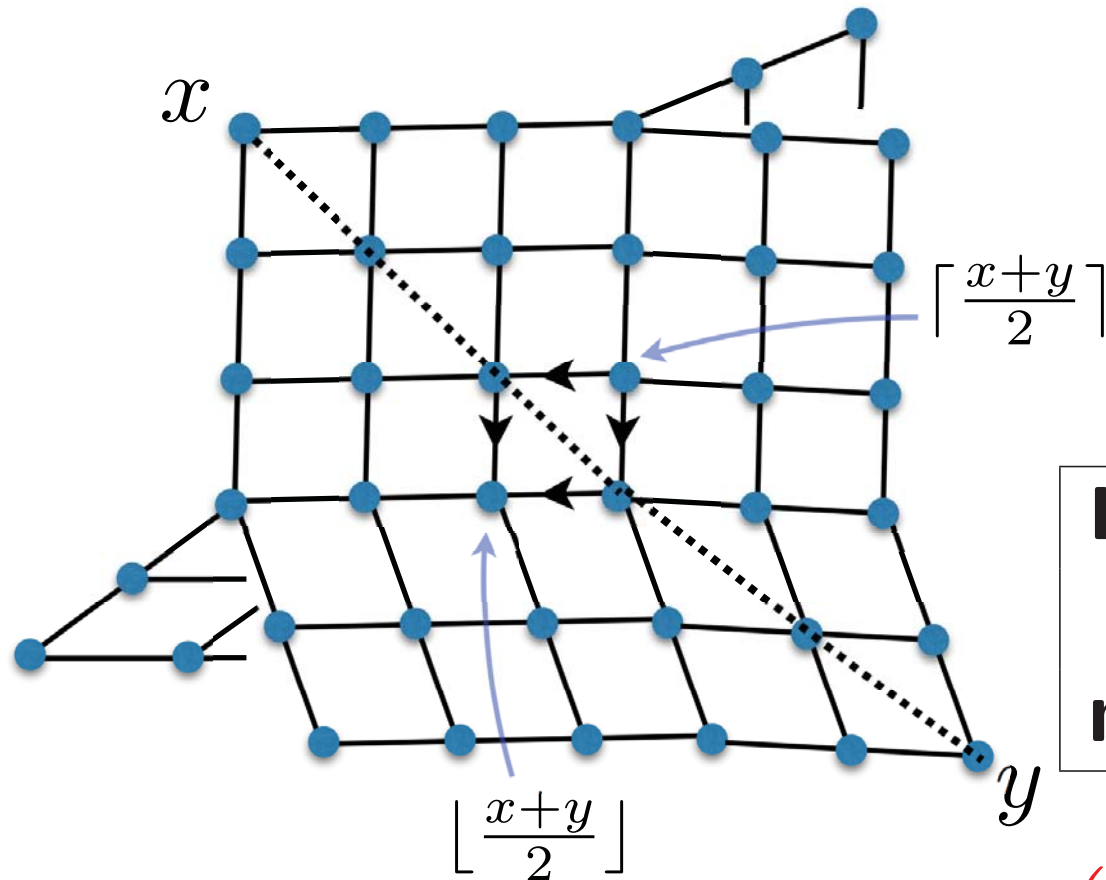
(Kolmogorov 11)

(Huber-Kolmogorov 12)



# Mid-point Convexity on Tree Products

(Hirai 13,15)



**L-convex**  
 || (def)  
**mid-point convex**

$$f(x) + f(y) \geq f\left(\left\lceil \frac{x+y}{2} \right\rceil\right) + f\left(\left\lfloor \frac{x+y}{2} \right\rfloor\right)$$

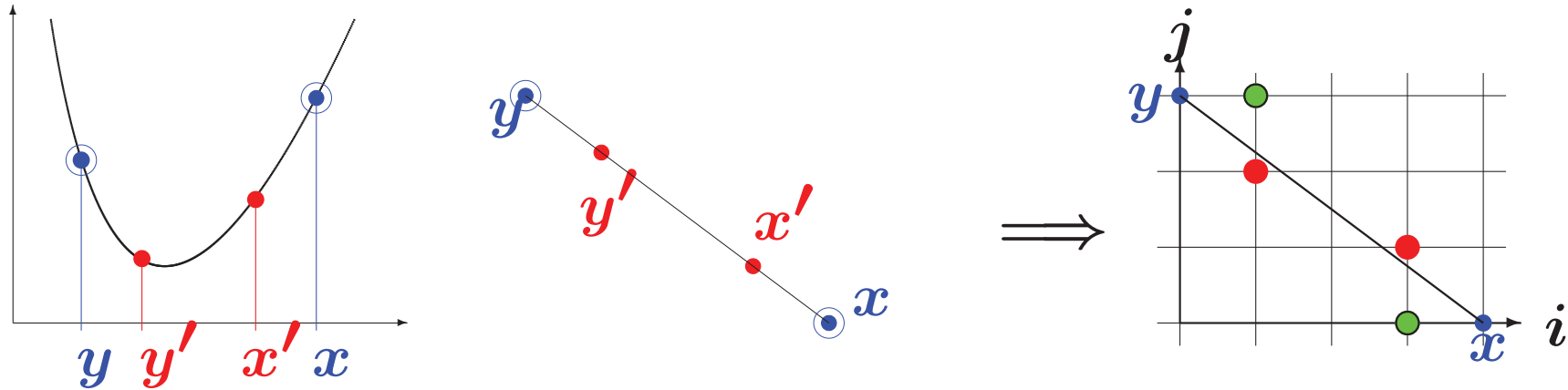
- submodular on (rooted) trees (Kolmogorov 11)
- $k$ -submodular (Huber-Kolmogorov 12)

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## M-convex Functions

# M<sup>‡</sup>-convexity from Equi-dist-convexity

(Murota 1996, Murota–Shioura 1999)



Equi-distance convex ( $f : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ):

$$f(x) + f(y) \geq f(x - \alpha(x - y)) + f(y + \alpha(x - y))$$

$\implies$  Exchange ( $f : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ )  $\forall x, y, \forall i : x_i > y_i$

$$f(x) + f(y) \geq \min [f(x - e_i) + f(y + e_i),$$

$$\min_{x_j < y_j} \{f(x - e_i + e_j) + f(y + e_i - e_j)\}]$$

M<sup>‡</sup>-convex function

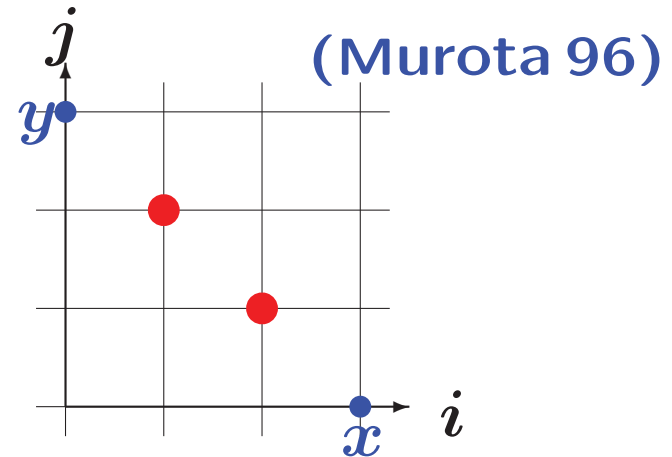
(M = Matroid)

# M-convex Function

(M = Matroid)

$$f : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \cup \{+\infty\}$$

$e_i$ :  $i$ -th unit vector



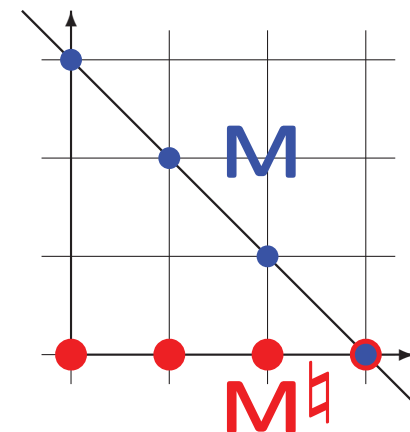
**Def:**  $f$  is M-convex

$$\iff \forall x, y, \quad \forall i : x_i > y_i, \quad \exists j : x_j < y_j :$$

$$f(x) + f(y) \geq f(x - e_i + e_j) + f(y + e_i - e_j)$$

$\text{dom } f \subseteq \text{const-sum hyperplane}$

$$\mathbf{M}_{n+1} \simeq \mathbf{M}_n^{\natural} \supsetneq \mathbf{M}_n$$



# M<sup>♯</sup>-convex Function: Examples

**Quadratic:**  $f(x) = \sum a_{ij}x_ix_j$  is M<sup>♯</sup>-convex

$$\Leftrightarrow a_{ij} \geq 0, \quad a_{ij} \geq \min(a_{ik}, a_{jk}) \quad (\forall k \notin \{i, j\})$$

**Min value:**  $f(X) = \min\{a_i \mid i \in X\}$  [unit preference]

**Cardinality convex:**  $f(X) = \varphi(|X|)$  ( $\varphi$ : convex)

**Separable convex:**  $f(x) = \sum \varphi_i(x_i)$  ( $\varphi_i$ : convex)

**Laminar convex:**  $f(x) = \sum_A \varphi_A(x(A))$  ( $\varphi_A$ : convex)

$\{A, B, \dots\}$ : laminar  $\Leftrightarrow A \cap B = \emptyset$  or  $A \subseteq B$  or  $A \supseteq B$

# M<sup>♯</sup>-concave Functions from Matroids

**Matroid rank:**  $f(X) = r(X)$  (rank of  $X$ ) (Fujishige 05)

**Matroid rank sum:**  $f(X) = \sum \alpha_i r_i(X)$

$r_i \leftarrow r_{i+1}$  (strong quotient),  $\alpha_i \geq 0$  (Shioura 12)

**Weighted matroid:**  $w$ : weight vector

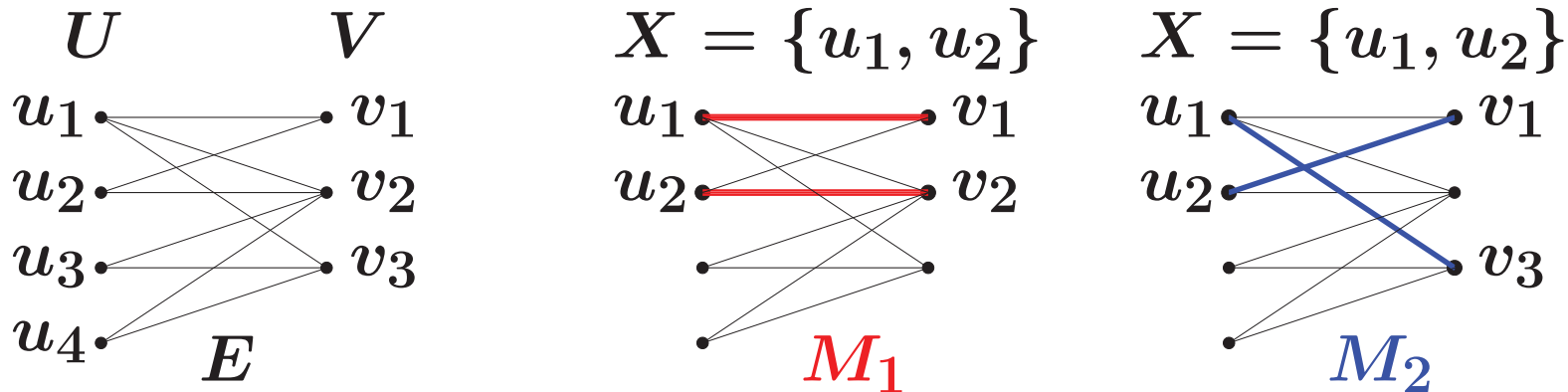
$f(X) = \max\{w(Y) \mid Y: \text{indep} \subseteq X\}$  (Shioura 12)

**Valuated matroid:**  $\omega : 2^V \rightarrow \underline{\mathbb{R}}$

$\Leftrightarrow \omega(X) = f(\chi_X)$  for some M-concave  $f$



# Matching / Assignment



Max weight for  $X \subseteq U$  ( $w$ : given weight)

$$f(X) = \max \left\{ \sum_{e \in M} w(e) \mid M: \text{ matching, } U \cap \partial M = X \right\}$$

Max-weight func  $f$  is **M<sup>♯</sup>-concave** (Murota 1996)

- Proof by augmenting path
- Extension to min-cost network flow

# Polynomial Matrix

(Dress-Wenzel 90)  
Valuated Matroid

$$A = \begin{array}{|c|c|c|c|} \hline s+1 & s & 1 & 0 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \omega(J) = \deg \det A[J]$$

$$\mathcal{B} = \{J \mid J \text{ is a base of column vectors}\}$$

**Grassmann-Plücker  $\Rightarrow$  Exchange (M-concave)**

For any  $J, J' \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $i \in J \setminus J'$ , there exists  $j \in J' \setminus J$   
s.t.  $J - i + j \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $J' + i - j \in \mathcal{B}$ ,

$$\omega(J) + \omega(J') \leq \omega(J - i + j) + \omega(J' + i - j)$$

Ex.  $J = \{1, 2\}$ ,  $J' = \{3, 4\}$ ,  $i = 1$

$$\det A[\{1, 2\}] = \det A[\{3, 4\}] = 1, \quad \omega(J) = \omega(J') = 0$$

Can take  $j = 3$ :  $J - i + j = \{3, 2\}$ ,  $J' + i - j = \{1, 4\}$

$$\omega(J - i + j) = 1, \quad \omega(J' + i - j) = 1$$

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hold for **M-convex functions**

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# Five Properties (Summary/Preview)

	convex ext.	local opt/ global opt	Legendre biconjug.	separat. theorem	Fenchel duality
submod. (set fn)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
separable -convex	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
integrally -convex	Y	Y	Y	N	N
L-convex ( $\mathbb{Z}^n$ )	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
M-convex ( $\mathbb{Z}^n$ )	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

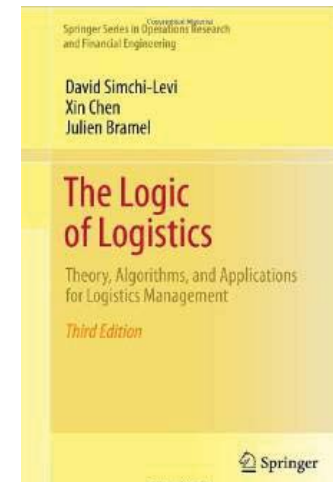
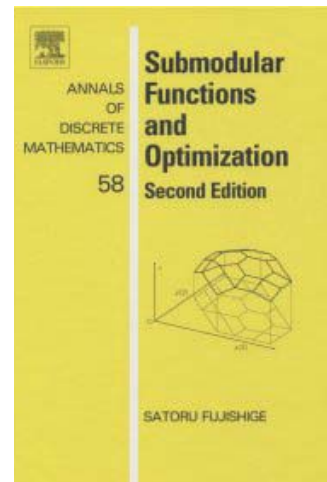
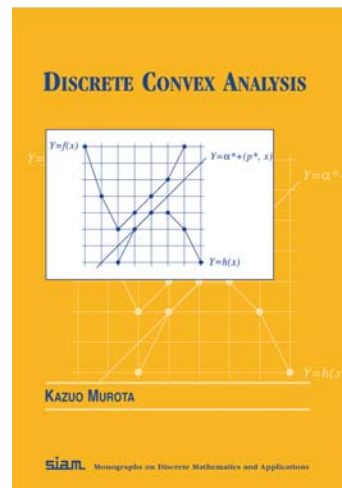
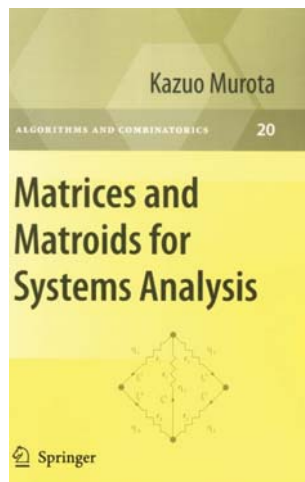
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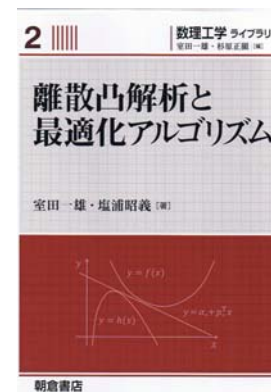
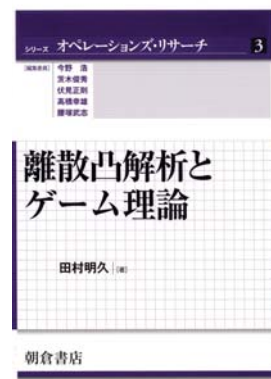
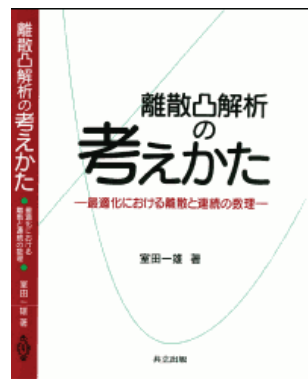
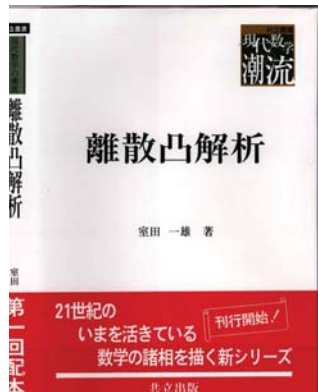
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