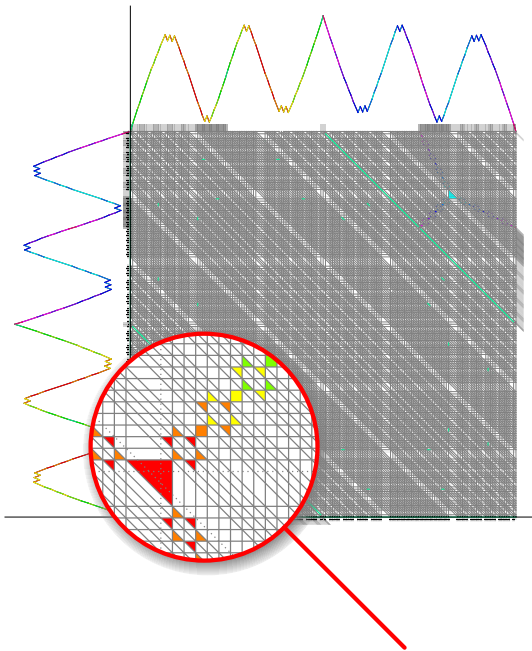


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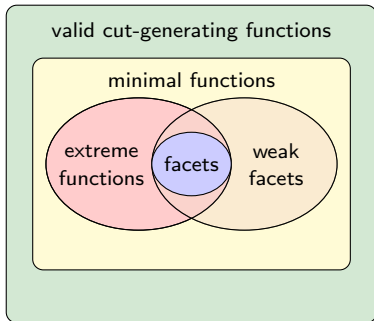
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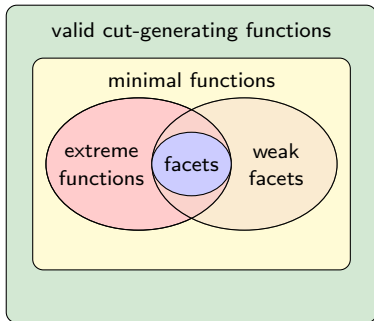
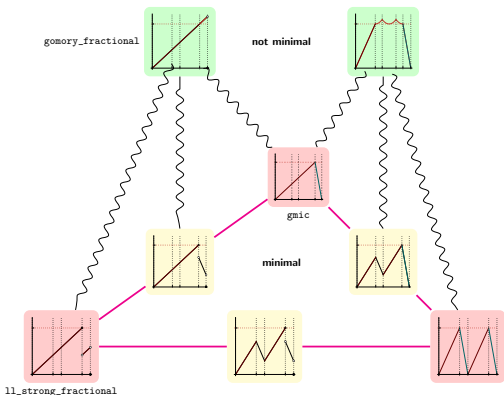
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A hierarchy of functions: **valid**, **minimal**, **extreme** / **facet**

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Say π is **extreme** if $\tilde{\Pi}^\pi = \{0\}$.



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hildebrand_2_sided_discont_2_slope_1



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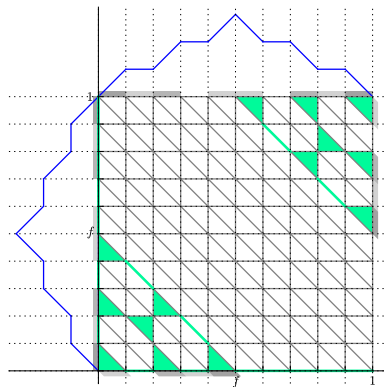
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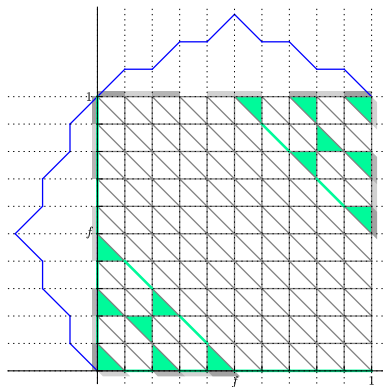
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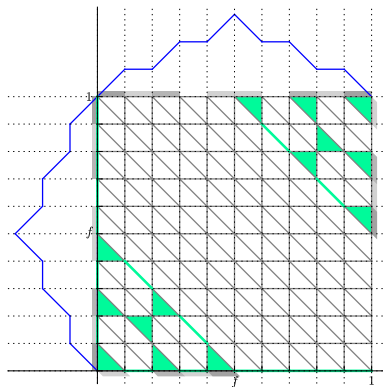
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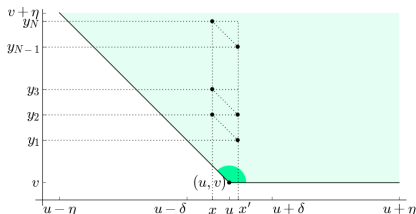
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Cauchy–Pexider in the limit

Basu–Hildebrand–Kö., Equivariant Perturbation I, MOR 2012; Kö.–Zhou, Equivariant Perturbation VI, arXiv: 1605.03975v3, 2018

Program: Additional properties of **effective perturbations** follow from Cauchy–Pexider’s equation holding only in the limit near some points.
 (“stability of functional equations”)



Theorem (Kö.–Zhou, 2018)

Let F be a two-dimensional face of $\Delta\mathcal{P}$, where \mathcal{P} is the one-dimensional polyhedral complex of a piecewise linear function. Let $(u, v) \in F$.

For $i = 1, 2, 3$, let $\tilde{\pi}_i: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a function that is **bounded** near

$$u = p_1(u, v), \quad v = p_2(u, v), \quad u + v = p_3(u, v).$$

If

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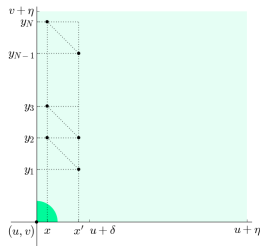
then for $i = 1, 2, 3$, the limit $\lim_{t \rightarrow p_i(u,v), t \in \text{int}(p_i(F))} \tilde{\pi}_i(t)$ exists.

Cauchy–Pexider in the limit. Case 1

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Show: $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists$ a relative neighborhood $U = (u, u + \delta(\epsilon))$ of u in $\text{int}(\rho_1(F))$ so that

for all $x, x' \in U$, we have $|\tilde{\pi}_1(x) - \tilde{\pi}_1(x')| \leq \epsilon$.



Pick $\eta > 0$ small enough so that

- $C_\eta = [u, u + \eta] \times [v, v + \eta] \subseteq F$
- $|\Delta \tilde{\pi}(x, y)| < \epsilon/4$ for $(x, y) \in C_\eta$
- $|\tilde{\pi}_i(t)| \leq M$ for $t \in \rho_i(C_\eta)$ (some M)

Take $N > 4M/\epsilon + 1$ and $\delta = \eta/(2N)$.

Take $x, x' \in U$, $x < x'$. Define $y_n = v + \delta + (n-1)(x' - x)$ for $1 \leq n \leq N$. All (x, y_i) and (x', y_i) lie in $C_\eta \cap \text{int}(F)$.

$$|\Delta \tilde{\pi}(x, y_{n+1})| = |\tilde{\pi}_1(x) + \tilde{\pi}_2(y_{n+1}) - \tilde{\pi}_3(x + y_{n+1})| \leq \epsilon/4$$

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With $x + y_{n+1} = x' + y_n$ for $n \in \{1, 2, \dots, N-1\}$, by the triangle inequality,

$$|\tilde{\pi}_1(x) - \tilde{\pi}_1(x') + \tilde{\pi}_2(y_{n+1}) - \tilde{\pi}_2(y_n)| \leq \epsilon/2.$$

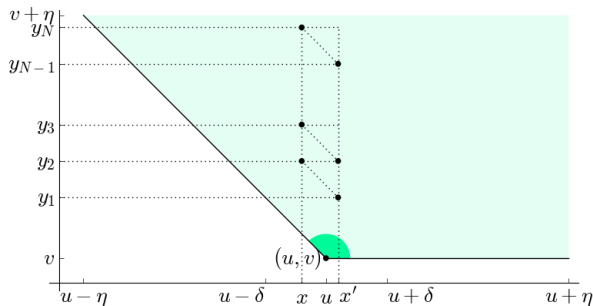
Summing over $n = 1, 2, \dots, N-1$, triangle inequality:

$$|(N-1)(\tilde{\pi}_1(x) - \tilde{\pi}_1(x')) + \tilde{\pi}_2(y_N) - \tilde{\pi}_2(y_1)| \leq (N-1)\epsilon/2.$$

Therefore, $|\tilde{\pi}_1(x) - \tilde{\pi}_1(x')| \leq |\tilde{\pi}_2(y_N) - \tilde{\pi}_2(y_1)| / (N-1) + \epsilon/2 \leq 2M/(N-1) + \epsilon/2 \leq \epsilon$.

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The quadrilateral $C_\eta = \text{conv}\left(\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} u-\eta \\ v+\eta \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} u+\eta \\ v+\eta \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} u+\eta \\ v \end{pmatrix}\right) \subseteq F$.

Use

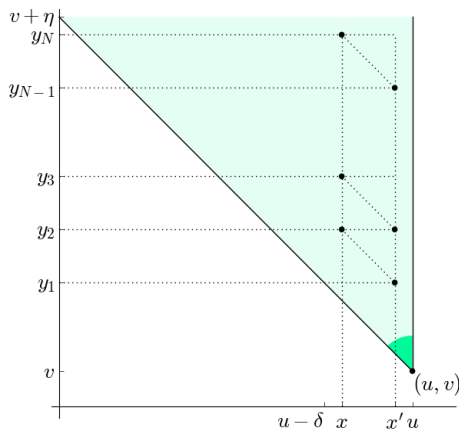
$$U := (u - \delta, u + \delta),$$

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Cauchy–Pexider in the limit. Case 3

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Case 3a (sharp-angle corner): Then $C_\eta = \text{conv} \left(\begin{pmatrix} u \\ v \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} u-\eta \\ v+\eta \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} u \\ v+\eta \end{pmatrix} \right)$ is contained in F .

Use $U := (u - \delta, u)$, $V := (v, v + \delta)$, and $W := (u + v, u + v + \delta)$.

Case 3b (right-angle corner, second quadrant): The sharp-angle corner of Case 3a appears as a subcone.

Use U and V as in Case 3a and

$$W := (u + v - \delta/2, u + v + \delta/2).$$

Cauchy–Pexider in the limit. Application. Open questions

Conjecture

Theorem is false for arbitrary convex polygons $F \subset \mathbb{R}^2$.

Open Question

Generalize the theorem to faces $F = F(I, J, K) \in \Delta\mathcal{P}$, $F \subset \mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{R}^k$, where \mathcal{P} is the polyhedral complex of an arbitrary piecewise linear function $\pi: \mathbb{R}^k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

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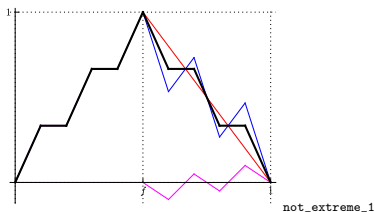
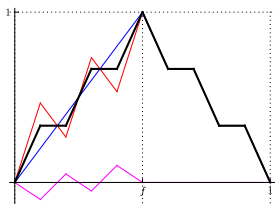
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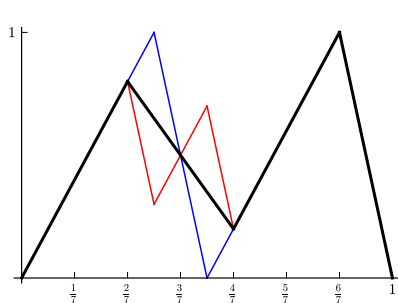
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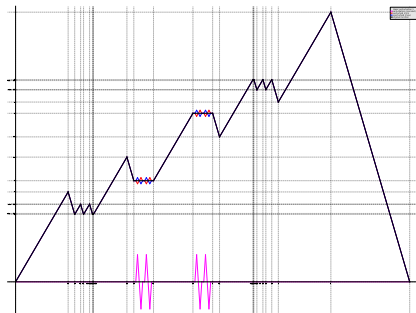
Finite-dimensional **perturbation** subspace: Interpolations of perturbations on 'breakpoints'



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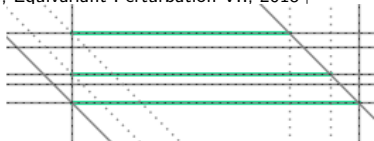


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Cauchy–Pexider on irrational edges – the strip lemma

Basu–Hildebrand–Köppe, *Equivariant Perturbation I*, MOR 2012; Hildebrand, Hong, Kö., La Haye, Louveaux, unpublished, 2014; Zhou, dissertation 2017; Hildebrand–Kö.–Zhou, *Equivariant Perturbation VII*, 2018+

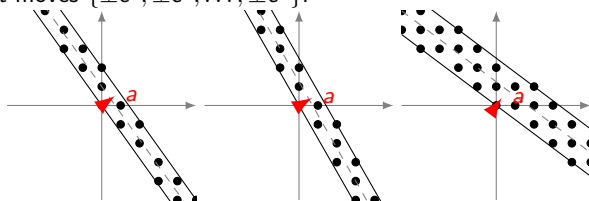
F = union of $n + 1$ irrational translates of an edge



Equivalent: Characterize connectivity of lattice points in the strip

$$S_a = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid 0 \leq a \cdot x \leq 1\}$$

by standard unit moves $\{\pm e^1, \pm e^2, \dots, \pm e^n\}$.



Theorem

Let $n = 2$ and $a_1, a_2 \in (0, 1)$ be rationally independent. Then $S_a \cap \mathbb{Z}^2$ is connected if and only if $\|a\|_1 \leq 1$.

SageMath (Python) package `cutgeneratingfunctionology`

<https://github.com/mkoeppel/cutgeneratingfunctionology>

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Models:

- 1-row Gomory–Johnson model
- Gomory's finite (cyclic) group problem
- superadditive lifting functions
- dual-feasible functions
- multi-row code under development

Functionality:

- electronic compendium of functions
- automatic extremality test (Basu–Hildebrand–**Kö.**, Math. Oper. Res. 2014, Hong–**Kö.**–Zhou, ICMS 2016, Zhou 2017, Hildebrand–**Kö.**–Zhou, 2018+)
- computer-based search for extreme functions (**Kö.**–Zhou, MPC 2016)

