

### Set 1. Convexity.

- AG3♦1 (centre of mass).** Show that **a)** for any collection of points  $Q_1, Q_2, \dots, Q_m \in \mathbb{A}^2$  and any collection of constants<sup>1</sup>  $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_m \in \mathbb{k}$  such that  $\sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i = \mu \neq 0$  there exists a unique point  $M \in \mathbb{A}^2$  such that  $\mu_1 \overrightarrow{MQ_1} + \mu_2 \overrightarrow{MQ_2} + \dots + \mu_m \overrightarrow{MQ_m} = 0$ . **b)** for any point  $P \in \mathbb{A}^2$  the point  $M$  equals  $M = P + \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\mu_i}{\mu} \cdot \overrightarrow{PQ_i}$ .
- AG3♦2 (grouping masses).** Let a finite collection of points  $Q_i$  with masses  $\mu_i \in \mathbb{k}$  and a finite collection of points  $T_j$  with masses  $\nu_j$  have centres of mass at points  $M$  and  $N$  respectively. Assume that all three sums  $\sum \mu_i, \sum \nu_j, \sum \mu_i + \sum \nu_j$  are non-zeros. Show that centre of mass for the union of all points<sup>2</sup>  $Q_i$  and  $T_j$  coincides with the centre of mass of two points  $M, N$ , taken with the masses  $\sum \mu_i$  and  $\sum \nu_j$ .
- AG3♦3.** Give an example of a closed figure  $\Phi$  with non-empty interior  $\Phi^\circ$  such that  $\overline{\Phi^\circ} \neq \Phi$ . Is it possible, if  $\Phi$  is convex?
- AG3♦4.** Give an example of a closed convex figure with a non-closed set of **a)** vertexes<sup>3</sup> **b)** extremal points<sup>4</sup>.

### Set 2. Polyhedrons and cones.

- AG3♦5.** Let a convex polyhedral cone  $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^3$  span the whole vector space. Show that  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma^\vee$  have the same number of 1-dimensional edges. Give an example of polyhedral cone  $\sigma \in \mathbb{R}^4$  such that  $\sigma$  and  $\sigma^\vee$  have different numbers of 1-dimensional edges.
- AG3♦6.** Show that a convex subspace  $\eta$  of a convex polyhedral cone  $\sigma$  is a face iff the following equivalence holds:  $\forall v_1, v_2 \in \sigma \ v_1 + v_2 \in \eta \iff v_1, v_2 \in \eta$ .
- AG3♦7.** Show that any proper face  $\tau$  of a convex polyhedral cone  $\sigma$ : **a)** is contained in some hyper-face<sup>5</sup> of  $\sigma$  **b)** coincides with the intersection of all hyper-faces of  $\sigma$  containing  $\tau$ .
- AG3♦8.** Let a convex polyhedral cone  $\sigma \subsetneq V$  be generated by vectors  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_N$  that linearly span  $V$ , and  $\dim V = n$ . Prove that: **a)** the boundary  $\partial\sigma$  is a union of all hyper-faces of  $\sigma$  **b)** covectors  $\xi_\tau \in V^*$  annihilating the hyper-surfaces  $\sigma \subset \tau$  are contained in a finite set  $M \subset V^*$  described as follows: list all the linearly independent collections of  $(n-1)$  vectors  $v_i$ ; for each such collection find  $\xi \in V^*$  that spans its annihilator; if for all generators  $v_i, 1 \leq i \leq N, \langle \xi, v_i \rangle > 0$ , then include  $\xi$  in  $M$ , else if for all  $v_i \langle \xi, v_i \rangle < 0$ , then include  $-\xi$  in  $M$ , otherwise omit this  $\xi$ . **c)**  $\sigma = \bigcap_{\tau} H_{\xi_\tau}^+$ , where  $\tau \subset \sigma$  runs through the hyper-faces of  $\sigma$ .
- AG3♦9.** Let  $\xi \in \sigma^\vee$  and  $\tau = \text{Ann}(\xi) \cap \sigma$ . Prove that  $\tau^\vee = \{\zeta - \lambda\xi \mid \zeta \in \sigma^\vee, \lambda \geq 0\}$ .
- AG3♦10.** Let convex polyhedral cones  $\sigma_1$  and  $\sigma_2$  intersect each other precisely along a common face  $\tau$ . Show that there exists  $\xi \in \sigma_1^\vee \cap (-\sigma_2)^\vee$  such that  $\tau = \sigma_1 \cap \text{Ann}(\xi) = \sigma_2 \cap \text{Ann}(\xi)$ .
- AG3♦11.** Show that any two vertexes of any convex polyhedron are connected by some path formed from 1-dimensional edges.
- AG3♦12.** Assume that a convex polyhedron  $M \subset \mathbb{A}(V)$  does not contain affine subspaces of positive dimension. For each vertex  $p \in M$  write  $\sigma_p \subset V$  for a cone spanned by all the edges of  $M$  outgoing from  $p$ . Show that: **a)**  $M_\infty = \bigcap_p \sigma_p$  **b)**  $M \subset p + \sigma_p$  for any vertex  $p$ .

<sup>1</sup>these constants are called «masses»

<sup>2</sup>«union» of coinciding points means adding their masses

<sup>3</sup>recall that a vertex of a convex figure is a face of dimension zero, that is one point intersection with some supporting hyperplane

<sup>4</sup>recall that a point  $p$  of a convex figure  $\Phi$  is called *extremal* if there are no segments  $[a, b] \subset \Phi$  such that  $p$  is an interior point of  $[a, b]$

<sup>5</sup>that is a face of codimension 1

- AG3◊13.** Let  $M \subset \mathbb{A}(V)$  be a convex polyhedron with vertexes and covector  $\xi \in V^*$  be bounded below on  $M$ . Show that: **a)** there exist a vertex  $p \in M$  such that  $\forall x \in M \langle \xi, x \rangle \geq \langle \xi, p \rangle$   
**b)** a vertex  $p \in M$  satisfies the above property iff  $\langle \xi, q \rangle \geq \langle \xi, p \rangle$  for each edge  $[p, q] \subset M$  outgoing from  $p$  (including those having  $q$  at infinity).

## Honorary problems

**AG3◊14 (Caratheodori's lemma).** Show that each point of the convex hull of an arbitrary figure  $\Phi \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a convex combination of at most  $(n + 1)$  points of  $\Phi$ .

**AG3◊15 (Rhadon's lemma).** Show that any finite set of  $\geq (n + 2)$  distinct points in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is a disjoint union of two non-empty subsets with intersecting convex hulls.

**AG3◊16 (Helly's theorem).** Given a finite collection of closed convex figures in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  such that at least one of them is compact and any  $(n + 1)$  figures have non-empty intersection, show that the intersection of all the figures is non-empty.

**Regular polyhedrons.** Given a polyhedron  $M \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , a *group of M* is defined as a group of all bijections  $M \simeq M$  induced by all euclidean linear automorphisms<sup>6</sup> of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Any sequence: vertex of  $M$ , edge of  $M$  outgoing from this vertex, 2-dimensional face of  $M$  outgoing from this edge, ..., a hyper-face of  $M$  outgoing from theis  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional face,  $M$  itself (all intermediate dimensions have to appear) is called a *flag* of  $M$ . A polyhedron  $M$  is called *regular*, if the group of  $M$  acts transitively on the flags of  $M$ . Given a regular polyhedron  $P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , we write  $\ell = \ell(P)$  for the length of its edge, write  $r = r(P)$  for the radius of its superscribed sphere, and put  $\varrho = \varrho(P) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \ell^2/4r^2$ . In all the problems below assume that a regular polyhedron  $P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  linearly spans the whole vector space.

**AG3◊17 (the star).** Show that all vertexes of  $P$  joint with a given vertex  $p \in P$  by an edge of  $P$  form a regular polyhedron in an  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional affine subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . It is called a *star* of  $P$  and is denoted by  $\text{st}(P)$ .

**AG3◊18 (the symbol).** *Schläfli's symbol* of a regular polyhedron  $P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  is a collection of  $(n - 1)$  positive integers  $\mathbf{v}(P) = (v_1(P), v_2(P), \dots, v_{n-1}(P))$ , defined inductively as follows:  $v_1(P)$  equals the number of edges of 2-dimensional face of  $P$  and the rest sub-sequence  $(v_2(P), \dots, v_{n-1}(P)) = \mathbf{v}(\text{st}(P))$  is the Schläfli symbol of the star  $\text{st}(P)$ . Find the symbols of regular: **a)** dodecahedron in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  **b)** icosahedron in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  **c)**  $n$ -dimensional simplex **d)**  $n$ -dimensional cube **e)**  $n$ -dimensional cocube<sup>7</sup>.

**AG3◊19.** Express  $\ell(\text{st}(P))$  through  $\ell(P)$  and  $v_1(P)$ .

**AG3◊20.** Show that  $\varrho(P)$  depends only on the symbol of  $P$  and satisfies the equality

$$\varrho(P) = 1 - (\cos^2(\pi/v_1(P))) / (\varrho(\text{st}(P))) .$$

**AG3◊21 (duality).** Let  $P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  be a regular polyhedron with the centre at the origin. **a)** Show that  $P^* = \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^{n*} \mid \xi(v) \geq -1 \ \forall v \in P\}$  a regular polyhedron with the centre at the origin. **b)** For each  $k$  construct a canonical bijection between  $k$ -dimensional spaces of  $P$  and  $(n - k - 1)$ -dimensional faces of  $P^*$  reversing the inclusions of faces. **c)** Prove that the symbol of  $P^*$  is the symbol of  $P$  read from the right to the left.

**AG3◊22 (clasification of regular polyhedrons).** Show that the symbols of all regular polyhedrons  $P \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  are contained in the following list:

- a)**  $(v)$ , where  $v \geq 3$  is any positive integer, for  $n = 2$
- b)**  $(3, 3), (3, 4), (4, 3), (3, 5), (5, 3)$ , for  $n = 3$
- c)**  $(3, 3, 3), (3, 3, 4), (4, 3, 3), (3, 4, 3), (3, 3, 5), (5, 3, 3)$ , for  $n = 4$
- d)**  $(3, \dots, 3), (3, \dots, 3, 4), (4, 3, \dots, 3)$  for  $n \geq 5$

and for each symbol in the list there exists a unique up to dilatation regular polyhedron that has this symbol.

<sup>6</sup>we asume that  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is equipped with the standard euclidean structure  $|x|^2 = \sum x_i^2$

<sup>7</sup>that is, the convex hull of centres of the hyper-faces of the cube