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#### CONVEXITY STRUCTURES AND THEIR PRODUCTS

#### INTRODUCTION

Various attempts have been made to place convexity in an axiomatic setting, but only scant attention has been devoted to the product of general convexity structures. In this paper, as in [11], we consider a set X, a family of subsets of X closed under intersection (which are called convex sets), and a closure operator conv on P(X) satisfying certain convexity properties. Relationships between the Carathéodory, Helly, and Radon numbers in such a setting are explored in [11] and we consider them here in connection with products.

Shirley [16] introduced a topology in this setting culminating in a proof of the Krein-Mil'man theorem. In Chapter One we will introduce the basic definitions and axioms needed for the remaining chapters and give proofs of a few classical convexity theory theorems as applied to the general setting.

Eckhoff [5] was the first to define the product of these generalized convexity structures and proved a Radon theorem in a general setting. Reay [14] proved a Cara-

theodory theorem when the factor spaces in the Eckhoff product are Euclidean. In Chapter Two we obtain results concerning the Eckhoff product and bounds concerning the Carathéodory and Helly numbers in a general setting.

A method of defining lines in the product of two generalized convexity spaces was recently given by Sandstrom [15] by considering a family of lines in both factor spaces and families of real-valued functionals. In Chapter Three we define a new type of product for generalized convexity structures and give results concerning the Caratheodory and Radon numbers in the product space.

Finally, in Chapter Four we explore another method of defining the product of two convexity structures when the underlying factor spaces are vector spaces. We prove that this product generates the usual convexity structure when each factor space has the usual convexity structure. We then obtain Carathéodory and Helly theorems for this product and derive results concerning affine mappings of the factor and product spaces.

#### CHAPTER I

#### AXIOMATIC CONVEXITY

There have been many recent papers dealing with the theory of generalized convexity structures in which the authors have defined the class of "convex" sets axiomatically and proceeded to develop a theory that yields analogues of the theorems in the classical setting. See, for example, Bryant and Webster [2], Kay [10], and Cantwell [4]. In this chapter we shall present the basic definitions needed for the remaining chapters where products of generalized convexity structures are considered, and we shall include the proofs of some analogues of classical convexity theorems which have not yet been published.

- 1.1. DEFINITION. A collection of subsets & of a set X will be called a convexity structure if and only if
  - i) X and  $\emptyset$  belong to C, and
  - ii) € is closed under intersections; that is, if Ci€€ for each i∈I then Ci€€.
- 1.2. DEFINITION. If **C** is a convexity structure for a set **X** and if **E C X** then the <u>convex hull</u> of **E** is denoted by

conv E and is defined by conv  $E = \bigcap \{C \in C \mid E \subseteq C\}$ . A set E will be called <u>convex</u> if and only if E = conv E. A subfamily G of G is called a <u>basis</u> of G if and only if each member of G is obtainable as an intersection of members of G.

In order to promote brevity and permit easier reading, a singleton set  $\{x\}$  will be denoted by x, and the convex hull of a two element set, a <u>segment</u>, will be denoted by juxtaposition, i.e., conv  $\{p,q\} = pq$ .

- 1.3. THEOREM. If **C** is a convexity structure and A and B are subsets of X, then,
  - i) A C conv A,
  - ii) if  $A \subseteq B$  then conv  $A \subseteq conv B$ , and
  - iii) conv {conv A} = conv A.

The next two definitions are commonly used as axioms to be imposed on a convexity structure; see [8] and [11]. The concept of regular segments was recently introduced in [10].

- 1.4. DEFINITION. A convexity structure  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  has the property of <u>domain finiteness</u> if for each  $S \subseteq X$ , conv  $S = \bigcup \{\text{conv } F \mid F \text{ is finite and } F \subseteq S \}$ .
- 1.5. DEFINITION. A convexity structure (X,C) is said to be join-hull commutative if for each  $S\subseteq X$ . conv  $\{x\cup S\} = \bigcup \{xs \mid s \in \text{conv } S\}$ .

- 1.6. DEFINITION. The segment xy is said to be nondiscrete if and only if the open segment  $(x,y) = xy \setminus \{x,y\} \neq 0$ . The segment is decomposable if and only if for every  $z \in xy$ ,  $xz \cap zy = z$  and  $xz \cup zy = xy$ . The segment is extendible if and only if  $xy \subseteq xz \setminus z = [x,z)$  for some  $z \neq y$ . A segment is called regular if and only if it is nondiscrete, decomposable, and extendible.
- 1.7. DEFINITION. A convexity structure  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  is an interval convexity structure when conv A = A if and only if  $xy \subseteq A$  whenever  $x \in A$  and  $y \in A$ .

As is proved in [11], a convexity structure that is domain finite and join-hull commutative is necessarily an interval convexity structure. An interval convexity structure is domain finite but not necessarily join-hull commutative.

For the remainder of this chapter & will denote a convexity structure for a set X in which the following axioms hold:

- i) (X, C) is domain finite,
- ii) (X,C) is join-hull commutative,
- iii) Segments are regular.

That these axioms are independent can be seen from the following convexity structures.

1.8. EXAMPLE. a) Let  $X = R^1$  and let  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  if and only if C is a closed interval. Then  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  will be a convexity

structure satisfying ii) and iii) but not i). b) Let  $X = R^3$  and let  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  if and only if C = X or C is a convex set with dimension less than or equal to 2. then  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  is a convexity structure satisfying i) and iii) but not ii). c) Let X be any nonempty set and let  $C \in \mathcal{C}$  if and only if  $C \in 2^X$ . Then  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  will be a convexity structure satisfying i) and ii) but not iii).

1.9. LEMMA. In a convexity structure satisfying axioms
i-iii, if r∈ab and q∈cr
then there exists an s∈cb
such that q∈as.
Figure 1.1

<u>Proof.</u> Since  $r \in ab$  and  $q \in cr$ , then  $q \in conv\{a,b,c\}$ .

By axiom ii)  $q \in conv\{a,b,c\} = U\{ad \mid d \in bc\}$ . Hence, there exists an  $s \in bc$  such that  $q \in as$ .

1.10. DEFINITION. Let  $S \subseteq X$ . The <u>kernel</u> K of S is the set of all points  $z \in X$  such that  $zx \subseteq S$  for all  $x \in S$ .

The following theorem was originally proved by Brunn in 1913[1] for finite dimensional Euclidean spaces. It has been extended to linear spaces, e.g. see Valentine [21]. The following shows that it is also valid in our axiomatic setting.

1.11. THEOREM. The kernel of any set is convex.

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $S \subseteq X$  and K be the kernel of S, and suppose  $x,y \in K$ ,  $x \neq y$ , and  $u \in xy$ . Let z be an arbitrary point of

- S. If z = x or z = y then  $uz \subseteq S$ . Let  $v \in zu$ . We know that  $zy \subseteq S$  by the definition of K. Also, by Lemma 1.9, there exists a  $w \in zy$  such that  $v \in wx$ . But then  $w \in S$  and  $wx \subseteq S$  by the definition of K; hence  $v \in S$ . Since v was an arbitrary point of zu, then  $zu \subseteq S$ . Hence  $u \in K$  and  $xy \subseteq K$  which says that K is convex.
- 1.12. DEFINITION. The kernel of a set S will be referred to as its convex kernel and we denote it by ck S.
- 1.13. DEFINITION. A set S is star-shaped if and only if  $ck S \neq \emptyset$ .

Valentine [21, Research Problem 9.3] posed the problem of characterizing the star-shaped sets S in a finite dimensional linear space in terms of the maximal convex subsets of S. The problem was solved by Guay [7], and extended by Smith [18] for linear spaces of arbitrary dimension. A characterization of star-shaped sets in our axiomatic setting is also possible, as the following development shows.

1.14. THEOREM. Let S be a nonempty subset of X and let  $\{M_i\}_{i \in I}$  be the collection of maximal convex subsets of S, then  $S = UM_i$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $x \in S$  and consider the collection of all convex subsets of S which contain x. The collection is nonempty since x is convex, and this collection may be partially ordered by inclusion; that is  $A \le B$  if and only

if  $A \subseteq B$ . Also, each linearly ordered subset has an upper bound, namely the union of the sets in the class, and so by Zorn's Lemma, there exists a maximal element, namely a maximal convex set containing X. Thus each element of S is contained in some maximal convex set, so  $S = U_{N_i}$ .

1.15. THEOREM. A set S is star-shaped if and only if the intersection of all the maximal convex subsets of S is nonempty.

<u>Proof.</u> Let the collection of all maximal convex subsets of S be denoted by  $\{M_i\}_{i \in I}$ . If  $z \in \bigcap M_i$ , let  $s \in S$ . By Theorem 1.14  $s \in M_i$  for some  $i \in I$ . Hence  $z \in M_i$  since  $M_i$  is convex, and since s was an arbitrary point of S, S is star-shaped with respect to z.

To finish the proof it will be sufficient to show that  $ck \le \Omega M_i$ . So suppose  $z \in ck S$  and suppose that there exists a maximal convex set  $M_i$  such that  $z \notin M_i$ . Then for all  $m \in M_i$ ,  $U\{zm \mid m \in M_i\} = conv\{z,M_i\}$  is a convex set by axiom ii, and moreover it is a subset of S since  $z \in ck S$  and it properly contains  $M_i$ ; contradicting the maximal nature of  $M_i$ . Hence  $z \in M_i$  for each i and  $ck S \subseteq \Omega M_i$ .

Many of the important theorems of convexity are intimately related to an underlying topological structure and it is possible at this time to introduce a topology on the set X and to relate it to the convexity structure.

Womble [22] introduced a topology into the convexity

structure by considering the set X to be in  $E^n$  with the resulting topology and hyerplanes. Shirley [16] did it by considering the Hausdorff topology for P(X).

It might be natural to ask what additional axioms would be required to yield the usual convex structure when X is the Euclidean space  $E^n$  with the usual topology. Kay and Womble [11] have succeeded in listing a set of axioms for the convexity structure on  $E^n$  that will give the usual convex sets.

Recently in a paper by Mah, Naimpally, and Whitfield [12], a characterization of a linear topological space among all topological convexity structures was given.

#### CHAPTER II

#### THE ECKHOFF PRODUCT

The concept of defining the product of two mathematical systems is a logical outgrowth of the mathematical process in almost all areas of mathematics. The first work on the product of generalized convexity structures was done by J. E. Eckhoff in [5]. Recently Reay [14] considered Eckhoff's product in a restricted setting, and Sandstrom [15] considered products of generalized linear spaces.

The following definition follows the one given by Eckhoff.

2.1. DEFINITION. Given two convexity structures  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$ , a set C in the Cartesian product space  $X \times Y$  is convex if and only if C is the Cartesian product of a convex set in  $\mathcal{C}_X$  with a convex set in  $\mathcal{C}_y$ . This product will be termed the Eckhoff product of X and Y, and denoted  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^E)$ .

The following three definitions will be used in the remaining chapters. Relationships between the Caratheodory, Helly, and Radon numbers for generalized convexity structures were proved in [11].

- 2.2. DEFINITION. A convexity structure (X,C) is said to have <u>Caratheodory number</u> c if and only if c is the least cardinal number for which it is true that for any  $A \subseteq X$ , conv A = U {conv  $B \mid B \subseteq A$ , card  $B \subseteq C$  }.
- 2.3. DEFINITION. A convexity structure (X, C) is said to have a <u>Helly number</u> h if and only if h is the least cardinal number for which it is true that each finite subfamily F of C having h+1 members has nonempty intersection if each h of them meet.
- 2.4. DEFINITION. A convexity structure  $(X, \mathcal{C})$  is said to have Radon number r if and only if r is the least cardinal number for which it is true that each set  $A \subseteq X$  having cardinality at least r possesses a partition (A,B) such that  $(\text{conv }A) \cap (\text{conv }B) \neq \emptyset$ .

We state here for later reference a result of Eckhoff on the Eckhoff product. The proof may be found in [5].

2.5. THEOREM. (Eckhoff) If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  are convexity structures with Radon numbers m and n respectively, then  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{C}_{X \times y}^E)$  has a Radon number r and, max  $(m,n) \le r \le m+n+1$ .

It was recently proved by Sierksma and Boland [17] that the least upper bound for r in the above theorem is m+n. Also, Reay [14] had proved earlier that if the factor spaces are Euclidean spaces having the usual convexity structure then  $\mathcal{C}_{x*y}^E$  will have a Carathéodory

number less than or equal to the sum of the dimensions of the factor spaces.

A few original results concerning the Eckhoff product will now be given; alternative definitions for products of generalized convexity structures will be considered later.

2.6. LEMMA. For any subsets  $A \subseteq X$  and  $B \subseteq Y$ .

conv  $(A \times B) = \text{conv } A \times \text{conv } B$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Since conv  $A \times conv$  B is a convex set in  $X \times Y$  containing  $A \times B$ , we have conv  $(A \times B) \subseteq conv$   $A \times conv$  B. To reverse the inclusion, since conv  $(A \times B) \in \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^{E}$ , conv  $(A \times B) = C \times D$  for some  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{X}$ ,  $D \in \mathcal{C}_{Y}$ . But for any  $X \in A$ ,  $Y \in B$  we have  $(X,Y) \in conv$   $(A \times B) \Rightarrow X \in C$  and  $Y \in D$ , so C and D are convex sets containing A and B, and thus conv  $A \subseteq C$ , conv  $B \subseteq D$ . Hence conv  $A \times conv$   $B \subseteq C \times D = conv$   $(A \times B)$ .

2.7. COROLLARY. If  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k \in X \times Y$  then conv  $(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k) = \text{conv } (\pi_X(p_1), \pi_X(p_2), \dots, \pi_X(p_k)) \times \text{conv } (\pi_Y(p_1), \pi_Y(p_2), \dots, \pi_Y(p_k)).$ 

Therefore we know that if  $A \subseteq X \times Y$  and  $(x,y) \in \text{conv } A$ , where there exist m points  $p_1, \dots, p_m \in A$  with  $x \in \text{conv } \{\pi_X(p_1), \dots, \pi_X(p_m)\}$  by X having Caratheodory number less than or equal to m, and n points  $q_1, \dots, q_n \in A$  with  $y \in \text{conv } \{\pi_Y(q_1), \dots, \pi_Y(q_n)\}$  by Y having Caratheodory number less than or equal to n, then

$$(x,y) \in \text{conv} \{ \mathcal{N}_{x}(p_{1}), \dots, \mathcal{N}_{x}(p_{m}), \mathcal{N}_{x}(q_{1}), \dots, \mathcal{N}_{x}(q_{n}) \} \times$$

$$\text{conv} \{ \mathcal{N}_{y}(p_{1}), \dots, \mathcal{N}_{y}(p_{m}), \mathcal{N}_{y}(q_{1}), \dots, \mathcal{N}_{y}(q_{n}) \}$$

$$= \text{conv} \{ p_{1}, \dots, p_{m}, q_{1}, \dots, q_{n} \}.$$

This result yields the following two theorems.

- 2.8. THEOREM. If X is domain finite and Y is domain finite, then X X Y is domain finite.
- 2.9. THEOREM. If X has a Caratheodory number m and Y has Caratheodory number n, then X × Y has a Caratheodory number less than or equal to m+n.
- 2.10. REMARK. Although it is an open question as to whether the upper bound, m+n, for the Carathéodory number can be improved, it is possible to show that max (m,n) is less than or equal to the Carathéodory number c for  $G_{xxy}^E$ . Thus,  $\max(m,n) \le c \le m+n$ . Moreover, this lower bound is the best possible result as the following example shows.
- 2.11. EXAMPLE. Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  be defined as  $X = \mathbb{R}^1$  with  $\mathcal{C}_X$  the usual convexity structure on  $\mathbb{R}^1$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  as  $Y = \mathbb{R}^1$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_Y = \{y \mid |y| \leq 1\}$ . Then  $A = \text{conv}\{(1,1), (2,1)\}$  is the horizontal line segment joining the two points; hence  $(3/2,1) \in A$  and (3/2,1) is not in the convex hull of less than the two original points.

We shall now prove the assertion made in the above remark concerning the lower bound on the Caratheodory number in the product space.

2.12. THEOREM. Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}_x)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  be two convex structures having Caratheodory numbers m and n respectively,

then the Caratheodory number c of the product structure  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^{E})$  satisfies the inequality max  $(m,n) \leq c$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Assume m = max (m,n); then since there exist m points  $x_1, \ldots, x_m$  and m is the Carathéodory number of  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$ , there exists a point p such that  $p \in conv\{x_1, \ldots, x_m\}$  and p does not belong to the convex hull of any m-1 of the points. Let  $y \in Y$ ; we claim that  $(p,y) \in conv\{(x_1,y),\ldots,(x_m,y)\}$  but not in any proper subset. That (p,y) belongs to the convex hull is clear from the definition of the Eckhoff product. Now assume that (p,y) belongs to the convex hull of  $\{(x_1,y),\ldots,(x_{i-1},y),(x_{i+1},y),\ldots,(x_m,y)\}$ . But then  $\{(x_1y),\ldots,(x_{i-1},y),(x_{i+1},y),\ldots,(x_m,y)\}\subseteq conv\{x_1,\ldots,x_{i-1},x_{i+1},\ldots,x_m\}$  X Y, which is a convex set excluding (p,y) contrary to our assumption.

Having obtained results concerning the Radon and Caratheodory numbers one would naturally hope for a result concerning the Helly number for the Eckhoff product. This is contained in the following theorem.

2.13. THEOREM. Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}_{x})$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_{y})$  have Helly numbers of  $h_{1}$  and  $h_{2}$ , respectively, and let  $h=\max\{h_{1},h_{2}\}$ . Then  $(X\times Y, \mathcal{C}_{x\times y}^{E})$  has a finite Helly number which is less than or equal to h.

<u>Proof.</u> Suppose  $\mathcal F$  is a finite subfamily of  $\mathcal C$ , having h+1 members such that for every h members of  $\mathcal F$ , their intersection is nonempty. Then consider the family  $\mathcal T_{\mathbf x}\mathcal F$  defined to be  $\{\mathcal T_{\mathbf x}^{\mathsf C}_{\mathbf i}\mid \mathbb C_{\mathbf i}\in\mathcal F$ . The intersection

of every  $h_1$  members is non-empty and hence the intersection of the whole family is non-empty. That is, there exists a  $p_1$  such that for each  $C_i \in \mathcal{F}$ , there is  $y_i$  such that  $(p_1, y_i) \in C_i$ . Similarly there exists  $p_2$  such that for each  $C_i \in \mathcal{F}$ , there is  $x_i$  such that  $(x_i, p_2) \in C_i$ . By the definition of the Eckhoff product  $(p_1, p_2)$  belongs to each  $C_i$ , hence  $(X \times Y, C_{x \times y}^E)$  has a Helly number less than or equal to h.

It is natural to ask if the result in Theorem 2.13 is the best possible. The following example answers in the affirmative.

2.14. EXAMPLE. Let 
$$C_x = \{c \mid |c| \le 4\}$$
,  $C_y = \{c \mid |c| \le 2\}$ , then  $h_1$  for  $C_x = 5$ ,  $h_2$  for  $C_y = 3$ ; also let  $a = (1,2)$   $b = (2,2)$   $c = (3,2)$   $d = (4,2)$   $e = (5,2)$   $\forall = (1,1)$   $A = (2,1)$   $A = (2,1)$   $A = (3,1)$   $A = (4,1)$   $A = (5,1)$  and  $A = \{a,b,c,d,a,b,b,c\}$   $A = \{a,b,c,d,a,b,b,c\}$   $A = \{a,b,d,e,a,b,b,c\}$   $A = \{a,b,d,e,a,b,b,c\}$   $A = \{a,c,d,e,a,b,b,c\}$   $A = \{a,c,d,e,a,b,b,c\}$ 

It is routine to show that the intersection of any four of the above sets is not empty but  $\sum_{i=1}^{5} C_i = \emptyset$ . A similar example could be constructed for any two numbers  $h_1$  and  $h_2$ , showing that  $h = \max\{h_1, h_2\}$  is the best possible result.

A final remark concerning Eckhoff's product is in order.

A basic property concerning convexity structures is how
they are related to line segments and lines. The Eckhoff

product of two interval convexity structures may contain two distinct lines having more than one point of intersection, where the line containing a and b, L(a,b) is defined as abU c a bc U d b c a.

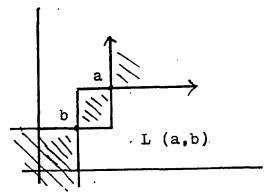


Figure 2.1.

If X = Y = the ordinary convexity space  $R^1$ , the line containing points a and b is as illustrated in the shaded region in Figure 2.1.

Also, if  $X = Y = R^1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_X$  and  $\mathcal{C}_Y$  are the convexity structures consisting of closed convex sets, then  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^E$  if and only if C is a closed rectangle in  $R^2$ . Let S be the open rectangle with vertices at (1,1), (1,2), (3,1), (3,2). Then the convex hull of S is the closed rectangle having the same vertices but yet  $xy \subseteq S$  for each  $x,y \in S$ ; i.e. the convexity structure is not generated by its line segments, and thus, is not an interval convexity structure.

The Eckhoff product is easy to define but the convex sets in the product space are noticably restricted. Even for the simple case when X and Y are one-dimensional Euclidean spaces with the usual convexity structures, the class of convex sets in the product space are the rectangles with sides parallel to the coordinate axes. It would seem desirable to have a product concept which, when restricted to the classical setting, yields the classical convex sets in the product space.

#### CHAPTER III

#### THE COMPLEMENT PRODUCT

In this chapter we shall define a product of two convexity structures which contains more convex sets than the Eckhoff product. Our definition is motivated by the Tychonoff Product in general topology.

As before, it suffices to define the product of two convexity structures, as the method of defining the product of any finite number of structures will then be obvious. For convenience let  $co_X A$  denote the relative complement of A in X; that is, for arbitrary sets  $A \subset X$ ,  $co_X A = \{a \in X \mid a \notin A\}$ .

- 3.1. DEFINITION. Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  be two convexity structures. In the Cartesian product  $X \times Y$ , define the complement convexity structure  $\mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^C$  by taking as a basis sets of the form  $co_{X \times Y}(co_X C \times co_y D)$  where  $C \in \mathcal{C}_X$  and  $D \in \mathcal{C}_Y$ . Then  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^C$  if and only if there exists an indexing set I and a family of sets  $C_i \in \mathcal{C}_X$  and  $C_i \in \mathcal{C}_Y$  for  $i \in I$  such that  $C = \bigcap_{i \in I} co_{X \times Y}(co_X C_i \times co_Y D_i)$ .
- 3.2. REMARK. Since there is little chance of confusion, we shall drop the subscript notation and simply use "co" for

 $co_{x \neq y}$ ,  $co_x$ , and  $co_y$ . It is then a routine exercise to show that  $\emptyset$ ,  $XXY \in \mathcal{C}_{x \neq y}^{\mathbb{C}}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{x \neq y}^{\mathbb{C}}$  is closed under intersection and hence  $\mathcal{C}_{x \neq y}^{\mathbb{C}}$  is a convexity structure on  $X \times Y$ .

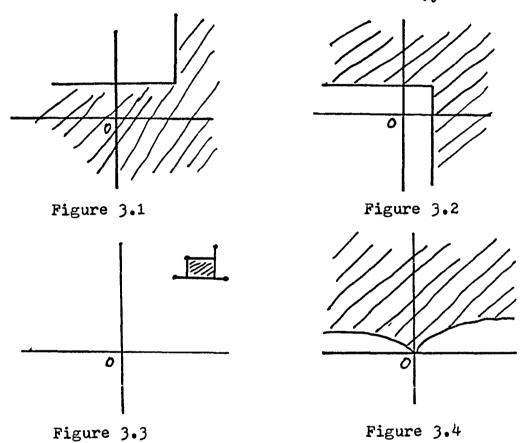
The following lemma is presented to shorten some of the later theorems. The proofs are omitted since they are elementary set theoretic exercises.

# 3.3. LEMMA. For all ACX, BCY,

- a) co  $(A \times B) = ((co A) \times B) \cup (A \times (co B)) \cup ((coA) \times (coB))$
- b) co  $((coA) \times (coB)) = ((coA) \times B) \cup (A \times (coB)) \cup (A \times B)$ .
- c) conv  $(A \times B) \subseteq conv A \times conv B$ .

3.4. EXAMPLE. If  $(X, J_x)$  and  $(Y, J_y)$  are two topological spaces and (X,  $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{C}}_{\mathrm{x}}$ ) and (Y,  $\boldsymbol{\mathcal{C}}_{\mathrm{v}}$ ) are the convexity structures obtained by defining a set to be convex if and only if it is a closed set in the topology. Then the convexity structure  $\mathcal{C}_{xxv}^{\text{C}}$  is precisely the closed sets in the product topology for XXY. For if C and D are closed sets in X and Y respectively, then co Cx co D is the product of open sets and hence open in the topology for X x Y, and co (co C x co D) is closed in the topology for X x Y, so that if F is in  $\mathcal{C}_{xxv}^{C}$  then F is closed. Finally if F is a closed set in the topology for X×Y and p ≠ F then by the definition of the product topology there are open sets A and B in X and Y respectively such that p∈AX B and  $(A \times B) \cap F = \emptyset$ . But then co  $(A \times B)$  is a convex set containing F but excluding p, showing that if F is closed in the product topology then it is in  $\mathcal{G}_{xxy}^{C}$ .

3.5. EXAMPLE. Let  $X = Y = R^1$  and suppose that  $C_X$  and  $C_Y$  are the closed convex sets in X and Y. Then a basis for  $C_{XXY}^C$  consists of any three closed quadrants in  $E^2$  and their translations. The shaded portions of Figures 3.1 and 3.2 below illustrate two convex sets in the basis and Figures 3.3 and 3.4 illustrate two convex sets in  $C_{XXY}^C$ .



3.6. THEOREM. If  $X = R^m$  and  $Y = R^n$ , and  $C_X$  and  $C_Y$  are the usual convexity structures for X and Y, and Y is a convex set in the usual sense in the linear space  $X \times Y = R^{m+n}$  then Y belongs to the product convexity structure of Definition 3.1.

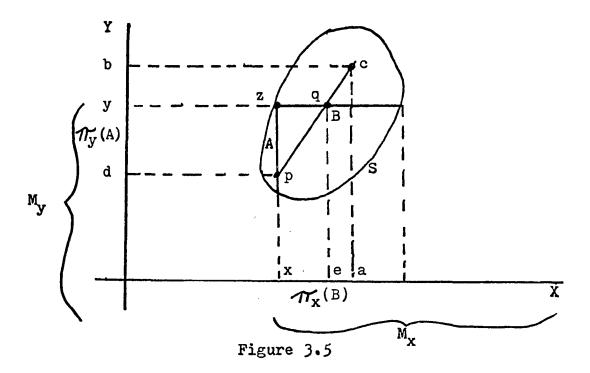
<u>Proof.</u> It is sufficient to show that for each  $z \in X \times Y \setminus S$  there is a set in  $\mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^{C}$  which contains S but not z. Let z = (x,y) where  $x \in X$  and  $y \in Y$ . We know that  $\mathcal{T}_{X}^{-1}(x)$  and  $A = \mathcal{T}_{X}^{-1}(x) \cap S$  are ordinary convex sets in  $X \times Y = R^{m+n}$ . Note that if  $A = \emptyset$  then  $co(co \mathcal{T}_{X}(S) \times co \emptyset)$  is a convex set containing S but not z, so we may assume  $A \neq \emptyset$ . Also  $\mathcal{T}_{Y}(A)$  is a convex set in Y which excludes Y. Hence there exists a maximal convex set  $M_{Y}$  in Y containing  $\mathcal{T}_{Y}(A)$  but excluding Y. (See figure 3.5.)

Similarly,  $B = \mathcal{H}_{y}^{-1}(y) \cap S$  is a convex set in the usual sense and  $\mathcal{H}_{x}(B)$  is a convex set in X which excludes x. Hence there is a maximal convex set  $M_{x}$  containing  $\mathcal{H}_{x}(B)$  but excluding x.

We then claim that  $co(co M_X \times co M_y)$  is a convex set in  $\mathcal{C}_{xxy}^C$  which contains S but not z. It is obvious that  $z \notin co(co M_X \times co M_y)$ , since  $x \notin co M_X$  and  $y \notin co M_y$ . To show that  $S \notin co(co M_X \times co M_y)$  let  $c = (a,b) \notin S$  where  $a \notin X$ ,  $b \notin Y$ . It is then sufficient to show that if  $a \notin M_X$  then  $b \notin M_Y$ .

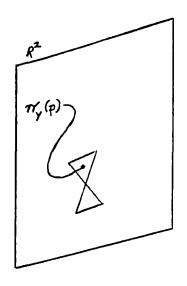
Assume  $b \notin M_y$ . Again the maximal property of  $M_y$  implies  $y \in \text{conv}(\{b\} \cup \mathcal{N}_y(A))$ , for if not, then letting  $M_y$  be a maximal convex set containing conv  $(\{b\} \cup \mathcal{N}_y(A))$  but not y, then  $M_y$  contains  $\mathcal{N}_y(A)$  and not y or  $M_y \subseteq M_y$  implying the contradiction  $b \in M_y$ . Hence there exists a  $d \in \mathcal{N}_y(A)$  such that y lies on the segment bd, and we may suppose  $p \in A$  such that  $\mathcal{N}_y(p) = d$ . Since  $\mathcal{N}_y$  maps segments onto segments,  $\mathcal{N}_y$  takes cp to bd; then  $y \in \mathcal{N}_y(cp)$  or cp meets  $\mathcal{N}_y(cp)$ . That is, since  $cp \subseteq S$  and  $B = \mathcal{N}_y(cp) \cap S$ , cp meets B at a point q.

Now consider  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{B})$  and  $\mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{X}}$ . Since  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{X}}$  maps the segment cp onto segment xa, then  $\mathbf{e} \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{q}) \in \mathbf{Xa}$ . But  $\mathbf{e} \in \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{X}}$  and under the assumption that  $\mathbf{a} \notin \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{X}}$  then  $\mathbf{xa} \cap \mathbf{M}_{\mathbf{X}} = \emptyset$ , a contradiction.



3.7. REMARKS. Using Definition 3.1 for the product of two ordinary convexity structures, the projection of a convex set may not be connected. Also the connected components of the projection of a convex set need not be convex in the factor space. To see this one need only study the example illustrated in Figure 3.6.

Although the projections of convex sets to the factor spaces do not behave as well as in the Eckhoff product (where the projection of a convex set is always convex), the next theorem shows a result that can be obtained and will serve as a comparison for the definition introduced in the next chapter.



a convex set in the complement product of  $E^1$  and  $E^2$ —it is the hull of the 10 indicated points.

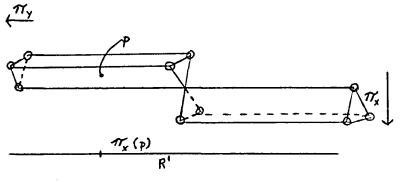


Figure 3.6

3.8. THEOREM. If E  $\subseteq X \times Y$ , then  $\pi_X = \exp_{X \times Y} E \subseteq \exp_X \pi_X (E)$ , but equality need not occur.

<u>Proof.</u> The example shown in Figure 3.6 shows that the inclusion may be proper. Assume  $x \notin \operatorname{conv}_X \pi_X(E)$  and let  $A = \operatorname{conv}_X \pi_X(E)$ . Then  $\operatorname{co}(\operatorname{co} A \times \operatorname{co} \emptyset)$  is a convex set that contains E but not (x,y) for any  $y \in Y$ . Hence, for each  $y \in Y$ ,  $(x,y) \notin \operatorname{conv}_{X \times Y}(E)$  and then  $x \notin \pi_X \operatorname{conv}_{X \times Y} E$ .

We now show that the definition of the complement product of two convexity structures is an associative operation which will indicate a method for defining the product of a finite number of convexity structures.

3.9. THEOREM. For any three convexity structures  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$ ,  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$ , and  $(Z, \mathcal{C}_Z)$  and under identification of the points in  $(X \times Y) \times Z$  and  $X \times (Y \times Z)$  then  $\mathcal{C}_{X \times (Y \times Z)}^C = \mathcal{C}_{(X \times Y) \times Z}^C$ .

Proof. Let  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{(x \times y) \times z}^{C}$ . Then  $C = \bigcap_{i \in I} \operatorname{co}(\operatorname{coD}_{i} \times \operatorname{coE}_{i})$  where  $D_{i} \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^{C}$  and  $E_{i} \in \mathcal{C}_{z}^{C}$ . Also, for each  $i \in I$  there exists an index set J(i) such that  $D_{i} = \bigcap_{j \in J(i)} \operatorname{co}(\operatorname{coA}_{ij} \times \operatorname{coB}_{ij})$  where for each  $i \in I$  and  $j \in J(i)$ ,  $A_{ij} \in \mathcal{C}_{x}$  and  $B_{ij} \in \mathcal{C}_{y}^{C}$ . We define  $F_{ij} = \operatorname{co}(\operatorname{coB}_{ij} \times \operatorname{coE}_{i}) \in \mathcal{C}_{y \times z}^{C}$  for each  $i \in I$ ,  $j \in J(i)$ . We shall show that C = C' where  $C' = \bigcap_{i \in I} \left[\bigcap_{j \in J(i)} \operatorname{co}(\operatorname{co} A_{ij} \times \operatorname{co} F_{ij})\right] \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times (y \times z)}^{C}$ . Let  $(x,y,z) \in C$ . Then  $((x,y),z) \notin \operatorname{co} D_{i} \times \operatorname{co} E_{i}$  for all  $i \in I$ . Hence either  $(x,y) \notin \operatorname{co} D_{i}$  or  $z \notin \operatorname{co} E_{i}$ . If  $z \notin \operatorname{co} E_{i}$  then it follows that  $(y,z) \notin \operatorname{co} F_{ij}$  and  $(x,y,z) = (x,(y,z)) \notin \operatorname{co} A_{ij} \times \operatorname{co} F_{ij}$  or  $(x,y,z) \in \operatorname{co}(\operatorname{co} A_{ij} \times \operatorname{co} F_{ij})$  for all  $j \in J(i)$ . Hence  $(x,y,z) \in C'$ .

If  $(x,y) \notin co D_i$  then  $(x,y) \notin co A_{ij} \times co B_{ij}$  for all  $j \in J(i)$ . Again, it follows easily that  $(x,y,z) \in C'$ , showing  $C \subseteq C'$ . If  $(x,y,z) \in C'$ , then  $(x,(y,z)) \notin coA_i \times coB_i$  for all i and j. We now fix  $i \in I$  and consider the two cases  $z \in co E_i$  or  $z \notin co E_i$ . If  $z \notin co E_i$  then, obviously,  $(x,y,z) \in co(coD_i \times co E_i)$  for each  $i \in I$ . If  $z \in co E_i$  then either  $x \notin co A_{ij}$  or  $(y,z) \notin co F_{ij} = co B_{ij} \times co E_i$ ; then  $x \notin co A_{ij}$  or  $y \notin co B_{ij}$  for all  $j \in J(i)$ . That is  $(x,y) \in \bigcap_{j \in J(i)} co(co A_{ij} \times co B_{ij}) = D_i$  and again  $(x,y,z) \notin co(co D_i \times co E_i)$ . Since i was arbitrary,  $(x,y,z) \notin C$ . Thus  $C \in C_{(x\times y)\times z} \subseteq C \cap C_{(x\times y)\times z} \cap C_{(x\times y)\times z} \cap C \cap C_{(x\times y)\times z} \cap$ 

The next results will compare and contrast the definition of convexity product as given in this chapter with the Eckhoff product in the previous chapter and the definition to be given in the next chapter.

3.10. THEOREM. Let  $X = R^1$  with the usual convexity structure and a Caratheodory number of two, and let  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  be any convexity structure with a Caratheodory number of n. Then  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^C)$  has Caratheodory number 2n.

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $S \subseteq X \times Y$  and let  $p = (x,y) \in \text{conv } S$ . Note that  $y \in \text{conv}_y \pi_y S$ ; for if not, then  $\text{co} \subseteq \text{co} \emptyset \times \text{co}(\text{conv}_y \pi_y S)$  is a convex set containing S and not p, which contradicts the hypothesis that  $p \in \text{conv } S$ .

every j we have  $x_j \notin A_i$  and  $\bar{x}_j \notin A_i$  then  $x_j, \bar{x}_j \in co$   $A_i$  from which it follows that  $y_j, \bar{y}_j \notin co$   $B_i$  (since  $s_j, t_j \in co(co$   $A_i \times co$   $B_i$ ) or  $y_j, \bar{y}_j \in B_i$  for every j). But this means that  $y \in conv\{\mathcal{H}_y(s_1), \ldots, \mathcal{H}_y(s_n)\} = conv\{y_1, \ldots, y_n\} \subseteq B_i$ , a contradiction. Hence for some j,  $x_j$  or  $\bar{x}_j \in A_i$ . The argument being symmetric, suppose  $x_j \in A_i$ . Then for every j and  $y \in conv\{\mathcal{H}_y(t_1), \ldots, \mathcal{H}_y(t_n)\} = conv\{\bar{y}_1, \ldots, \bar{y}_n\} \subseteq B_i$ , a contradiction. Hence  $p \in co(co$   $A_i \times co$   $B_i$ ) or  $p \in conv\{s_1, \ldots, s_n, t_1, \ldots, t_n\}$  as asserted.

Elementary examples may easily be constructed to show that the upper bound for the Caratheodory number in the preceding theorem is the best possible result.

Although we were able to obtain a result concerning the Caratheodory number for the product space when one of the factor spaces is  $E^1$ , in general there does not exist a finite Caratheodory number. We present an example below to show that the product of  $E^2$  having the usual convexity structure with itself is infinite.

It then follows as an immediate corollary that in general, the convexity structure defined by the complement product of two spaces need not be domain finite, even if the factor spaces have this property.

Also, it should be mentioned that since any subset of the line y = x is a convex set in the convexity structure

obtained by using E<sup>1</sup> with the usual convexity structure for both of the factor spaces, no finite Radon number exists.

We shall now end this chapter with an example showing that the Caratheodory number of  $E^2 \times E^2$ , where the usual convexity structure is used for each factor space, is greater than or equal to 32. Similar examples can be constructed for any power of two, showing that the Caratheodory number is infinite.

3.11. EXAMPLE. Let p = ((0,0),(0,0)) and let  $p_1 = ((\cos 0,\sin 0),(\cos 0,\sin 0)),$   $p_2 = ((\cos(1/32)\cdot 2\pi,\sin(1/32)\cdot 2\pi,(\cos(1/16)\cdot 2\pi,\sin(1/16)\cdot 2\pi))...$   $p_{32} = ((\cos(31/32)\cdot 2\pi,\sin(31/32)\cdot 2\pi),(\cos(15/16)\cdot 2\pi,\sin(15/16)\cdot 2\pi)).$ 

Figure 3.7 shows the method by which all 32 points are defined, where the points  $\boldsymbol{\eta}_{x}(\mathbf{p_i})$  and  $\boldsymbol{\eta}_{y}(\mathbf{p_i})$  have been labeled as the point i for convenience.

It is then routine to show that the point p (the origin in  $E^4$ ) is in the convex hull of the 32 points. That is, it is impossible to find a convex set C in  $E^2 = X$  that does not contain the origin, and a convex set D in  $E^2 = Y$  that does not contain the origin but such that  $\pi_X(p_i) \in C$  or  $\pi_Y(p_i) \in D$  for each i. (Again, if one tries to exclude the origin from convex sets in both X and Y, then one also excludes both projections of some point  $p_i$ .)

It is now an elementary exercise to show that p does not belong to the convex hull of any proper subset of the original 32 points. That is, it is possible to find a convex set C in  $E^2 = X$  that excludes the origin in X and a convex set D in  $E^2 = Y$  that excludes the origin in Y and such that  $\pi_X(p_i) \in C$  or  $\pi_Y(p_i) \in D$  for all i except one.

Figure 3.8 shows the convex sets needed in each factor space to construct a convex set in the product space that will contain  $(U\{p_i\})\setminus\{p_2\}$  but not the origin p.

Figure 3.9 shows the convex sets needed in each factor space to construct a convex set in the product space that will contain  $(U\{p_i\})\setminus\{p_{13}\}$  but not the origin p.

Figure 3.10 shows the convex sets needed in each factor space to construct a convex set in the product space that will contain  $(U\{p_i\})\setminus\{p_{14}\}$  but not the origin p.

Figure 3.11 shows the convex sets needed in each factor space to construct a convex set in the product space that will contain  $(U\{p_i\})\setminus\{p_{29}\}$  but not the origin p.

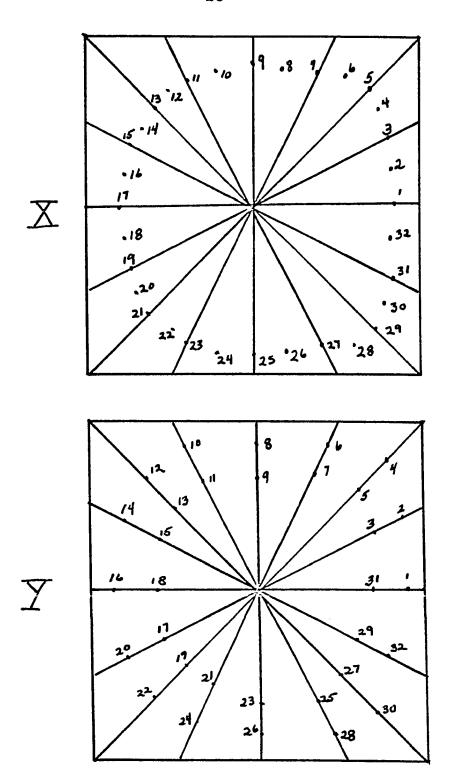


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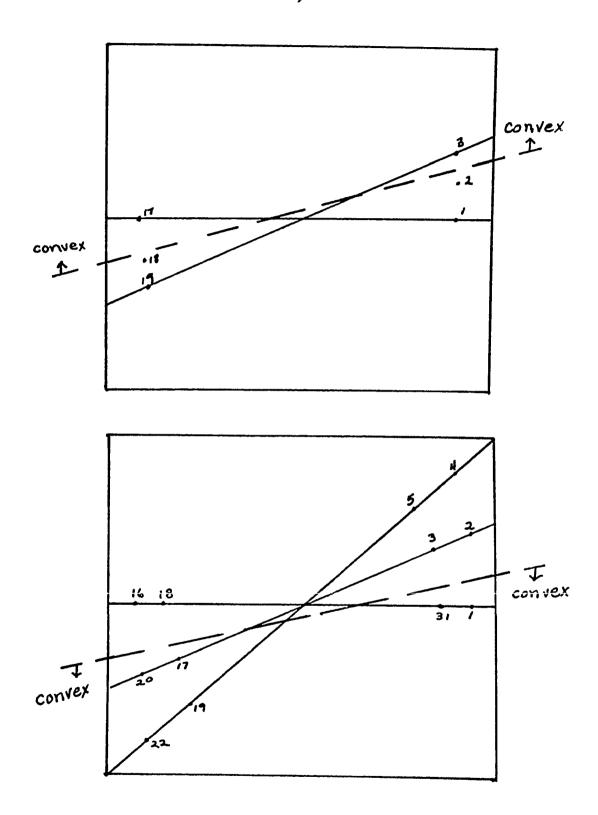


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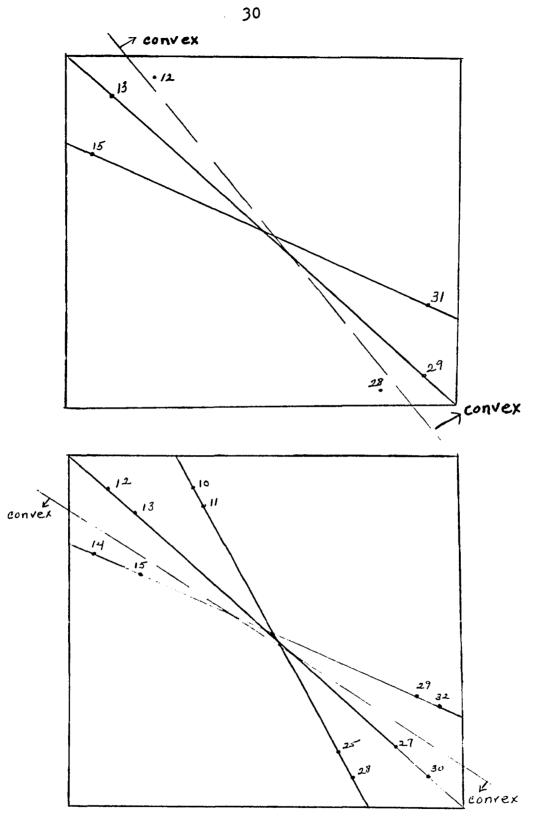


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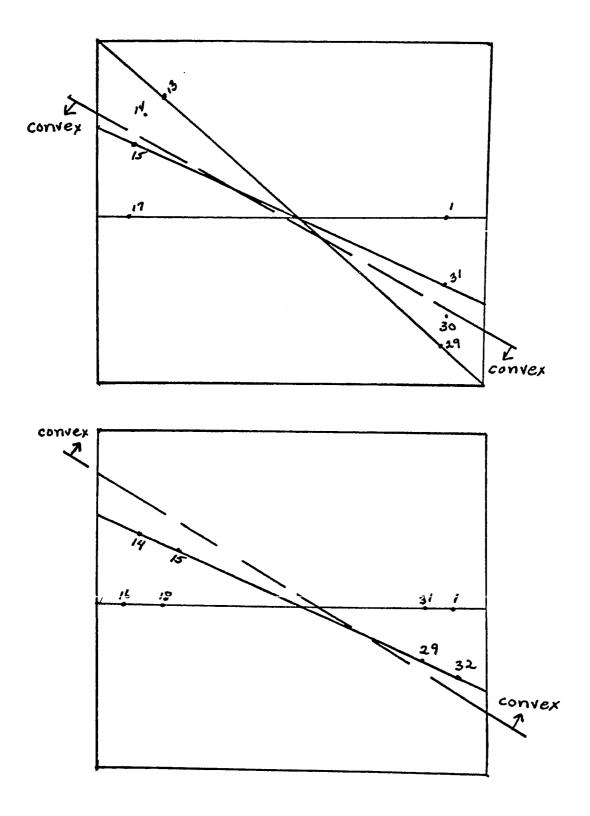


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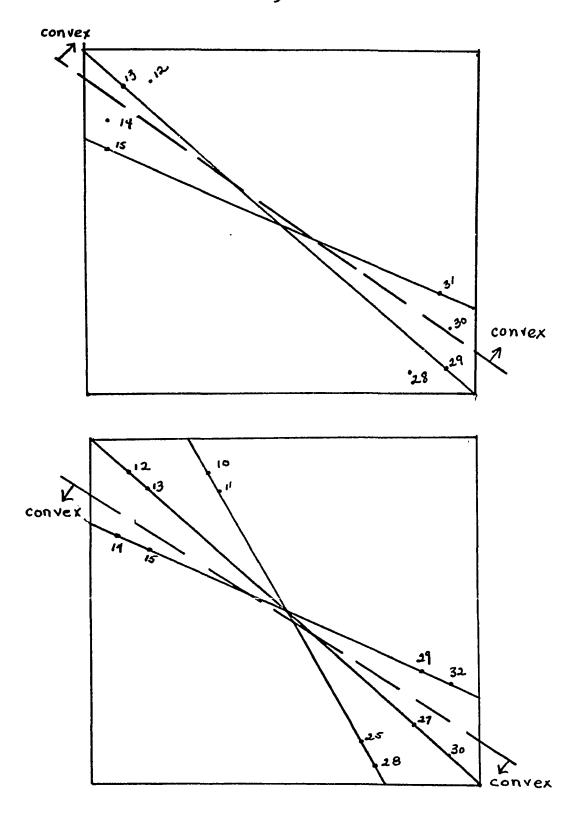


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### CHAPTER IV

### THE PROJECTIVE PRODUCT

In this chapter, in contrast to the product concepts considered in the preceding two chapters, we define a true generalization of the ordinary product of the usual convexity structures in real vector spaces. We shall restrict our attention to only those factor spaces that are point-convex convexity structures and to only the case X=R<sup>m</sup> and Y=R<sup>n</sup>. Throughout this chapter  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}_{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\gamma}_{\mathbf{v}}$  will denote the orthogonal or Cartesian projections from  $R^{m+n}$  to  $R^m$  and  $R^n$  respectively, i.e.  $\mathcal{T}_{x}(a,b)=a$  and  $\mathcal{T}_{y}(a,b)=b$ . Also,  $\mathbf{p_x}$  and  $\mathbf{p_y}$  will denote projections (not necessarily orthogonal) from  $R^{m+n}$  onto  $R^m \times \{0\}$  and  $\{0\} \times R^n$  respectively. That is,  $p_{x}$  is a linear operator with domain  $R^{m+n}$  and range  $R^m \times \{0\}$  such that  $p_x^2 = p_x$ . We let  $\Phi_x$  and  $\Phi_y$ denote the respective classes of all such projections. Since there is little chance of confusion we can identify  $\mathbb{R}^m \times \{0\}$  with  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and say  $p_x$  is a projection onto  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

4.1. DEFINITION. Let  $(R^m, \mathcal{C}_x)$  and  $(R^n, \mathcal{C}_y)$  be point-convex convexity structures, and define the projective product

convexity structure  $C_{xxy}^P$  on  $R^{m+n}$  as the collection of all sets C such that  $\mathcal{T}_y(p_x^{-1}(a)\cap C)\in C_y$  and  $\mathcal{T}_x(p_y^{-1}(b)\cap C)\in C_x$  for each projection  $p_x\in P_x$  and  $p_y\in P_y$  and for each  $a\in R^m$  and  $b\in R^n$ .

The set  $conv_{xxy}^{}$ C will denote the convex hull of a set C relative to  $\mathcal{C}_{xxy}^{P}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{x}^{u}$  will denote the usual convexity structure for  $X = R^{m}$  and u-conv (A) for the usual convex hull of A.

4.2.1. EXAMPLE. If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  is the convexity structure where  $X=R^1$  and  $A \in \mathcal{C}_X$  if and only if A=X or  $|A| \le 1$ , and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  is the convexity structure  $Y=R^1$ , with  $B \in \mathcal{C}_Y$  if and only if  $|B| \le 1$  or B=Y, then  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{XXY}^P$  if and only if  $|C| \le 1$  or C is a line in  $R^2$ .

4.2.2. EXAMPLE. If  $X=Y=R^1$  and if  $C_x=C_x^u$  and  $B \in C_y$  if and only if  $B \le 1$  or B=Y, then  $C \in C_{xxy}^P$  if and only if C is any convex subset of a horizontal line in  $X \times Y$ .

4.2.3. EXAMPLE. If  $X=Y=R^1$  and if  $A \in \mathcal{C}_X = \mathcal{C}_Y$  if and only if  $|A| \leq 2$  or  $A=R^1$  then  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{XXY}^P$  if and only if either  $C=R^2$ , C does not contain three collinear points, C is a line or pair of lines in  $R^2$ , or C is a line together with 2 points from a line parallel to it.

4.2.4. EXAMPLE. If  $X=Y=R^1$  and if  $A \in \mathcal{C}_X = \mathcal{C}_Y$  if and only if  $A=R^1$  or the diameter of A is less than or equal to one, then  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{X\times Y}^P$  if and only if either  $C=R^2$ , C is any line

in R<sup>2</sup>, or C is any subset of a unit square with sides parallel to the coordinate axes.

4.2.5. EXAMPLE. If  $X=R^1$  and  $A \in \mathcal{C}_X$  if and only if  $A=R^1$  or  $|A| \le 1$ ;  $Y=R^2$  and  $B \in \mathcal{C}_y$  if and only if  $B=R^2$ ,  $|B| \le 1$ , or B is a vertical line in  $R^2$  then  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^P$  if and only if either  $C=R^3$ ,  $|C| \le 1$ , or C is a plane, or any line in that plane, of the form  $\pi_Y^{-1}(I)$  where I is a vertical line in Y.

4.3. LEMMA. If  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  belong to XXY and  $\pi_y(z_1) \neq \pi_y(z_2)$  then there exists a projection from XXY onto X such that the images of  $z_1$  and  $z_2$  coincide.

<u>Proof.</u> The identity map on X is a projection from X onto X and our problem is to find an extension of this linear map that will satisfy the conditions of the theorem.

Let M be the space spanned by X and  $\mathcal{N}_y(z_2-z_1)$ . Then each element of M can be written uniquely as an element of X and a multiple of  $\mathcal{N}_y(z_2-z_1)$  in the form  $x+\alpha\cdot(\mathcal{N}_y(z_2-z_1))$  where  $\alpha$  is a real scalar.

In particular ,  $z_2-z_1=\mathcal{N}_x(z_2-z_1)+1\cdot(\mathcal{N}_y(z_2-z_1))$ . We now define an operator  $F_o$  from M onto X by setting  $F_o(x+\alpha\cdot\mathcal{N}_y(z_2-z_1))=x+\alpha(-\mathcal{N}_x(z_2-z_1))$ . Then  $F_o$  is linear, a projection, an extension of the identity on X, and  $F_o(z_2-z_1)=F_o(\mathcal{N}_x(z_2-z_1)+1\cdot\mathcal{N}_y(z_2-z_1))=\mathcal{N}_x(z_2-z_1)+1\cdot(\mathcal{N}_x(z_2-z_1))=0.$  Hence  $F_o(z_1)=F_o(z_2)$ .

It is now a standard result to extend  $F_0$  to all of X × Y. See, for example, Taylor [19], p.40.

4.4. THEOREM. Using the definition 4.1. given above,  $(X \times Y, G_{X \times V}^P)$  is a convexity structure.

<u>Proof.</u> It is easily seen that  $X \times Y = R^{m+n}$  and  $\emptyset$  belong to  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$ , thus we must show that  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  is closed under intersections. Let  $C_i \in \mathcal{C}_i^P$  for every  $i \in I$ ; then  $\mathcal{T}_y(p_X^{-1}(a) \cap (\bigcap_{i \in I} C_i)) = \mathcal{T}_y(\bigcap_{i \in I} (p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i))$ , and we shall now show that  $\mathcal{T}_y(\bigcap_{i \in I} p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i) = \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{T}_y(p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$ . This will complete the proof, since the argument is symmetric in X and Y.

If  $d \in \mathcal{N}_y(\bigcap_{i \in I} p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$  then there exists a  $c \in X$  such that  $(c,d) \in (\bigcap_{i \in I} p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$ , and therefore  $(c,d) \in p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$  for every  $i \in I$ . Therefore  $d \in \mathcal{N}_y(p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$  for every  $i \in I$  and  $d \in \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{N}_y(p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$ , showing  $\mathcal{N}_y(\bigcap_{i \in I} p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in I} \mathcal{N}_y(p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$ .

If  $d \in \bigcap_X p_X(p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$  then  $d \in \mathcal{T}_Y(p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$  for every  $i \in I$ , and therefore there exists a  $c_i$  for every  $i \in I$  such that  $(c_i,d) \in p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i$  for every  $i \in I$ . Since  $p_X$  is a linear projection,  $c_i = c_j$ , for every  $i,j \in I$ , and therefore there exists a c such that  $(c,d) \in p_X^{-1}(a) \cap C_i$  for every  $i \in I$ .

Therefore  $(c,d) \in \bigcap_{x} (p_x^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$  and thus  $d \in \bigcap_{x} (\bigcap_{x} p_x^{-1}(a) \cap C_i)$ .

The next theorem shows that our main objective for  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}\mathbf{y}}^{\,\mathrm{P}}$  has been achieved.

4.5. THEOREM. If  $C_x$  and  $C_y$  are the usual convexity structures for  $R^m$  and  $R^n$  respectively, then  $C_{xxy}^P$  is precisely the usual convexity structure for  $R^{m+n}$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^P$ , and let r = (a,b) and s = (c,d) belong to C, where a and c belong to  $R^m$  and b and d belong to  $R^n$ . We must show that the usual convex hull of r and s belongs to C to show that  $C_{X \times Y}^P$  is a subset of the class of usual convex sets. Assume that  $t \in u$ -conv  $\{r,s\}$  and that  $t \notin C$ . If  $b \neq d$  then by Lemma 4.3 there exists a projection  $p_X$  from  $R^{m+n}$  onto X such that  $p_X(r) = p_X(s) = p_X(t)$ . Since C is convex in the product space,  $\mathcal{T}_Y(p_X^{-1}(p_X(r)) \wedge C) \in C_Y$ . Since this set contains b and d and since it is a usual convex set in Y, it also contains  $\mathcal{T}_Y(t)$ . We know  $p_X$  is a linear projection onto X; thus  $t \in C$ , which is contrary to our assumption.

If b=d, then the orthogonal projection  $\pi_y$  is such that  $\pi_y(r) = \pi_y(s) = \pi_y(t)$ . Then since C is convex in  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$ ,  $\pi_x(\pi_y^{-1}(\pi_y(t)) \cap C) \in \mathcal{C}_x^U$  and hence  $\pi_x(t) \in \pi_x(\pi_y^{-1}(\pi_y(t)) \cap C)$ , and  $t \in C$ ; again a contradiction to the assumption. It then follows that  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  is a subset of the class of usual convex sets.

Now let  $D \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^u$  and let  $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $p_x$  and  $p_y$  be arbitrary linear projections of  $\mathbb{R}^{m+n}$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\mathbb{R}^n$  respectively. We must show that  $\mathcal{H}_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap D) \in \mathcal{C}_y^u$ . Since  $p_x$  is a linear projection of  $\mathbb{R}^{m+n}$  onto  $\mathbb{R}^m$ ,  $p_x^{-1}(a)$  is a usual convex set in  $\mathbb{R}^{m+n}$ ; hence  $p_x^{-1}(a) \cap D \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^u$  and since usual convex sets are

preserved by linear projections,  $\mathcal{T}_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap D) \in \mathcal{C}_y^u$ . Similarly,  $\mathcal{T}_x(p_y^{-1}(b) \cap D) \in \mathcal{C}_x^u$  for any  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , showing that  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  contains the usual convex sets.

The next result follows immediately from the definition of the projective product and is stated without proof.

4.6. THEOREM. The product  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^P)$  is point convex if and only if both  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  are point convex.

Some questions about the existence and uniqueness of factor spaces which generate a given product space will now be considered. First, if we start with a convexity structure  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and a structure  $\mathcal{C}_{X\times Y}$  for  $X\times Y$ , it may be that there are no structures or many structures for  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  such that  $\mathcal{C}_{X\times Y}^P = \mathcal{C}_{X\times Y}$ .

- 4.7. EXAMPLE. If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  is the usual convexity structure on  $R^1$  and if  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}$  if and only if  $C = X \times Y$  or  $|C| \leq 2$ , then there does not exist a  $\mathcal{C}_y$  for  $R^1$  such that  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}$  is the projective product of  $\mathcal{C}_x$  and  $\mathcal{C}_y$ .
- 4.8. EXAMPLE. If  $C_x$  is the usual convexity structure on  $\mathbb{R}^1$ , then if  $Y=\mathbb{R}^1$  and  $C\in C_y$  if and only if C is empty or C contains all rational numbers, then the product structure  $C_{x\times y}^P$  is the trivial product structure  $\{\emptyset,\mathbb{R}^2\}$ . Likewise the structure  $C_y$  defined by  $C\in C_y$  if and only if C is empty or C is a superset of the irrationals, also yields the trivial product structure.

We shall now consider a concept introduced by Calder [3].

4.9. DEFINITION. A convexity structure  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  is an interval convexity structure when conv A = A if and only if  $xy \subseteq A$  whenever  $x \in A$  and  $y \in A$ .

4.10. THEOREM. If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  are both interval convexity structures, then  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^P)$  is an interval convexity structure.

<u>Proof.</u> If A is convex in  $C_{x\times y}^P$  then  $z_1z_2\subseteq A$  whenever  $z_k\in A$ , k=1,2 by the definition of the convex hull operator.

Assume  $z_1z_2 \subseteq A$  whenever  $z_k \in A$ , k=1,2. We shall show that  $A \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  by showing for all  $p_x \in \mathcal{C}_x$ ,  $p_y \in \mathcal{C}_y$ ,  $a \in X$ ,  $b \in Y$  that  $\pi_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap A) \in \mathcal{C}_y$  and  $\pi_x(p_y^{-1}(b) \cap A) \in \mathcal{C}_x$ . Since the arguments for X and Y are symmetric, it suffices to prove the first of these. Let  $y_1, y_2 \in \pi_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap A)$ . Thus there exist  $z_k \in p_x^{-1}(a) \cap A$  such that  $\pi_y(z_k) = y_k$ , k=1,2. By hypothesis  $z_1z_2 \subseteq A$ . Therefore, since  $\pi_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap z_1z_2) \in \mathcal{C}_y$  by the product convexity of  $z_1z_2$ .  $y_1y_2 \subseteq \operatorname{conv}_y[\pi_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap z_1z_2)] = \pi_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap z_1z_2) \subseteq \pi_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap A)$ . Since  $\mathcal{C}_y$  is an interval convexity structure this proves  $\pi_y(p_x^{-1}(a) \cap A) \in \mathcal{C}_y$ , as desired.

There are two conditions on pairs of convexity structures which will be useful later. It is easy to construct convexity structures which are so inherently dissimilar

that the product structure contains only some of the translates of convex sets in the factor spaces. For example, if  $X=Y=R^1$  and  $C\in C_X$  if and only if C=X or  $|C|\leq 1$  or  $C=[n,\infty)$  for some integer n, and  $D\in C_Y$  if and only if D=Y or  $|D|\leq 1$ , then  $C_{x\times y}^P$  contains only points and sets of points of the form  $[n,\infty)\times r$  where n is an integer and r is a real number.

At times it will be desirable to avoid such behavior for products.

4.11. DEFINITION. If  $p_x^{-1}(c) \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  for every  $c \in \mathcal{C}_x$ ,  $p_x \in \mathcal{C}_x$ , [respectively,  $n_x^{-1}(c) \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$ , for  $c \in \mathcal{C}_x$ ], then  $\mathcal{C}_x$  is said to be compatible in the product, [respectively, orthogonally compatible in the product].

We state a preliminary result concerning this concept.

4.12. LEMMA. If  $Q_x$  is compatible [respectively, orthogonally compatible] in the product then for  $A \subseteq X \times Y$  and  $p_x \in Q_x$ ,  $p_x(\text{conv}_{x \times y} A) \subseteq \text{conv}_x p_x(A)$ , [respectively,  $\pi_x(\text{conv}_{x \times y} A) \subseteq \text{conv}_x \pi_x(A)$ ].

<u>Proof.</u> It suffices to prove  $\operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} A \subseteq \operatorname{p}_{x}^{-1}(\operatorname{conv}_{x} \operatorname{p}_{x}(A))$ . Since  $\operatorname{conv}_{x} \operatorname{p}_{x}(A)$  is convex in X, by compatibility,  $\operatorname{p}_{x}^{-1}(\operatorname{conv}_{x} \operatorname{p}_{x}(A)) \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^{P}. \text{ Thus } \\ \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} A \subseteq \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y}(\operatorname{p}_{x}^{-1}(\operatorname{p}_{x}(A))) \subseteq \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y}(\operatorname{p}_{x}^{-1}(\operatorname{conv}_{x} \operatorname{p}_{x}(A))) = \\ \operatorname{p}_{x}^{-1}(\operatorname{conv}_{x} \operatorname{p}_{x}(A)), \text{ proving the contention. The statement } \\ \operatorname{regarding} \operatorname{n}_{x}^{C} \operatorname{may} \text{ be proved similarly.}$ 

A condition somewhat analagous to that of compatibility in the product, in that it also deals with the interplay between the product and each of the factor spaces, is introduced next.

4.13. DEFINITION. A convexity structure will be said to be projective in the product [respectively orthogonally projective in the product] if  $p_x(C) \in \mathcal{C}_x$  whenever  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  and  $p_x \in \mathcal{C}_x$  [respectively, if  $\mathcal{T}_x(C) \in \mathcal{C}_x$  for  $C \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$ ].

4.14. LEMMA. If  $C_x$  is projective [respectively, orthogonally projective] in  $C_{x \times y}^P$  then for  $A \subseteq X \times Y$  and  $P_x \in \mathcal{O}_x$ ,  $conv_x P_x(A) \subseteq P_x(conv_{x \times y}A)$ . [respectively,  $conv_x \mathcal{N}_x(A) \subseteq \mathcal{N}_x(conv_{x \times y}A)$ ].

<u>Proof.</u> Since  $C_x$  is projective in  $C_{x \times y}^P$ ,  $\rho_x(conv_{x \times y}^A)$  is convex in X. Hence,

 $\operatorname{conv}_{\mathbf{x}} p_{\mathbf{x}}(A) \subseteq \operatorname{conv}_{\mathbf{x}} p_{\mathbf{x}}(\operatorname{conv}_{\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{V}} A) = p_{\mathbf{x}}(\operatorname{conv}_{\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{V}} A).$ 

The statement regarding  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{x}}$  may be proved in an analagous manner.

4.15. COROLLARY. If  $C_x$  is compatible and projective in the product then for any set  $A \subseteq X \times Y$  and projection  $p_X \in \mathcal{O}_X$ ,  $p_X(\text{conv}_{X \times Y}A) = \text{conv}_X(p_X(A))$ .

4.16. EXAMPLE. If  $X=Y=R^1$  and if  $\mathcal{C}_X=\{c\}$  |  $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_y=\mathcal{C}_y^u$  then neither  $\mathcal{C}_x$  nor  $\mathcal{C}_y$  is compatible or projective in the product. In Example 4.2.5 both  $\mathcal{C}_x$  and  $\mathcal{C}_y$  are projective but not compatible in the product, and in

Example 4.2.3 both  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{y}}$  are compatible but not projective in the product.

It is easily seen that sets in  $\mathcal{E}_{x,y}^{E}$  are always orthogonally compatible and orthogonally projective in the product, and the complement product is orthogonally compatible but not generally projective in the product.

4.17. THEOREM. If  $\mathcal{C}_x$  and  $\mathcal{C}_y$  are compatible and orthogonally projective in the product, and are domain finite, then the product  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  is domain finite.

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $A \subseteq X \times Y$  and define the set  $C = U\{conv_{x \times y}B \mid B \subseteq A, \mid B \mid < \infty\}$ . Since  $A \subseteq C \subseteq conv_{x \times y}A$  it suffices to prove that C is convex, for it would then follow that  $conv_{x \times y}A = U\{conv_{x \times y}B \mid B \subseteq A, \mid B \mid < \infty\}$ , thus proving  $C_{x \times y}^P$  is domain finite. Consider  $b \in Y$  and  $p_y \in C_y$ . We show that  $\mathcal{H}_X(p_y^{-1}(b) \cap C) \in C_X$ .

Let  $x \in \operatorname{conv}_X \cap_X (\operatorname{p}_y^{-1}(b) \cap C)$ . Then there exist  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in \bigcap_X (\operatorname{p}_y^{-1}(b) \cap C)$  and thus  $z_i = (x_i, y_i) \in X \times Y$  such that  $x \in \operatorname{conv}_X \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$  and  $z_i \in \operatorname{p}_y^{-1}(b) \cap C$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$ . Hence  $\operatorname{p}_y(z_i) = b$  and  $z_i \in C$  for all i. But by definition of C there must exist finite subsets  $B_i \subseteq A$  such that  $z_i \in \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} B_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$ . Define the finite subset of A,  $B = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} B_i$ . Then  $\operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} B \subseteq C$  so that  $\operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} \{z_1, \dots, z_n\} \subseteq C$ . Therefore,  $\bigcap_X [\operatorname{p}_y^{-1}(b) \cap \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} \{z_1, \dots, z_k\}] \subseteq \bigcap_X (\operatorname{p}_y^{-1}(b) \cap C)$ . By compatibility and point-convexity of  $C_x$  and  $C_y$ .

 $p_y^{-1}(b) \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$ . Hence  $p_y^{-1}(b) \cap \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} \{z_1, \dots, z_k\}$  is a convex set in X X Y containing  $z_1, \dots, z_k$ . It follows that  $\operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} \{z_1, \dots, z_k\} \subseteq p_y^{-1}(b) \cap \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} \{z_1, \dots, z_k\}$ . Therefore, using the above and Lemma 4.14,

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{x} & \in \operatorname{conv}_{\mathbf{x}} \big\{ \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k \big\} = \operatorname{conv}_{\mathbf{x}} \big\{ \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{z}_1), \dots, \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{z}_k) \big\} \\ & \subseteq \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{x}}(\operatorname{conv}_{\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y}} \big\{ \mathbf{z}_1, \dots, \mathbf{z}_k \big\}) \subseteq \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{y}}^{-1}(\mathbf{b}) \cap \mathbf{C}). \quad \text{That is,} \\ & \operatorname{conv}_{\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{y}}^{-1}(\mathbf{b}) \cap \mathbf{C}) = \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{y}}^{-1}(\mathbf{b}) \cap \mathbf{C}) \text{ proving that} \\ & \mathbf{T}_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{y}}^{-1}(\mathbf{b}) \cap \mathbf{C}) \in \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{x}}. \quad \text{Similarly, it may be shown that for} \\ & \mathbf{a} \in \mathbf{X}, \text{ and } \mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{x}} \in \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{x}}, \quad \mathbf{y}(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{x}}^{-1}(\mathbf{a}) \cap \mathbf{C}) \in \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{y}}. \quad \text{Therefore, } \mathbf{C} \in \mathbf{C}_{\mathbf{x} \times \mathbf{y}}^{\mathbf{P}} \\ & \text{as was to have been shown.} \end{split}$$

The next two examples show that join-hull commutativity and regularity of segments are not, in general, productive properties.

4.18. EXAMPLE. Let  $X=R^1$  and  $C \in C_X$  if and only if C=X or  $|C| \le 1$ . Let  $Y=R^2$  and  $C_y=C_y^u$ . Then  $C \in C_{x \times y}^P$  if and only if either  $C=X \times Y$ , C is a usual convex set in a plane orthogonal to X, or C is a line or plane in  $X \times Y$ .

Then if  $z_1, z_2, z_3$  are three non-collinear points in a plane parallel to X and if  $z_2$  and  $z_3$  are in a plane orthogonal to X, then  $conv_{xxy}\{z_1, z_2, z_3\}$  is the plane containing the three points but  $\bigcup\{z,q\}$ , where  $q \in z_2z_3$ , is a proper subset of that plane, showing that join-hull commutativity is not productive.

4.19. EXAMPLE. Let  $X=R^2$  and let  $T: R^2 \rightarrow R^2$  be the homeomorphism of  $R^2$  defined by  $T(x,y)=(x,y^3)$ . Define

 $C \in C_x$  if and only if C = T(D) where  $D \in C_x^u$ . Let  $Y = R^1$  and  $C_y = C_y^u$ . Then  $C_x$  and  $C_y$  have the property that segments are regular, but  $C_{x \neq y}^P$  does not have that property.

cantwell's Axiom A [4], which says that
each line is order isomorphic to the reals, is not
productive as can be shown from Example 4.19. Thus the
projective product of two Cantwell spaces need not be a
Cantwell space.

4.20. LEMMA. Given an r-flat S in  $X \times Y = Z$  with  $r \le \dim X$ , there exists a projection  $p_X \in P_X$  such that  $p_X$  is one-to-one on S.

<u>Proof.</u> Without loss of generality, we may assume that S is a subspace of Z. If  $S \subseteq X$  then  $p_X = \mathcal{N}_X$  is the desired projection. If  $S \not\subseteq X$  then  $\ell = \dim(S \cap X) < \dim X = m$ . Hence,  $m \ge \ell + 1$ , and the following bases for the various subspaces of Z may be assumed.  $S \cap X = \sup \{z_1, \ldots, z_\ell\}$ ,  $X = \sup \{z_1, \ldots, z_\ell, z_{\ell+1}, \ldots, z_m\}$ ,  $S = \sup \{z_1, \ldots, z_\ell, z_{m+1}, \ldots, z_t\}$ ,  $t = m + r - \ell$ . (Since  $S \not\subseteq X$ , dimS >  $\ell$  and  $\ell$  and  $\ell$  and  $\ell$  and  $\ell$  are the bases for Z:  $\ell$  and  $\ell$  are the bases for Z and X respectively, by setting  $\ell$  and X respectively, by setting  $\ell$  and  $\ell$  are the bases for  $\ell$  and X respectively, by setting  $\ell$  and  $\ell$  are  $\ell$  and  $\ell$  are

 $f(z_i) = 0$ ,  $t+1 \le i \le k$ .

Since t-m+l=r \(\perp m\),  $f(B_z) \(\leq B_x \cup \{0\}\). Define the linear extension <math>p_x$  of f to all of Z:  $p_x(\xi_i \lambda_i z_i) = \xi_i \lambda_i f(z_i)$ .

It is then clear that  $p_x$  is linear, onto X, and is the identity map on X, so  $p_x \in \mathcal{O}_x$ . Finally, if  $p_x(s)=0$  for some  $s \in S$  then

$$p_{\mathbf{x}}(s) = p_{\mathbf{x}}(\underbrace{\xi \lambda_{i} z_{i}}_{1 \le i \le \ell}) = \underbrace{\xi \lambda_{i} f(z_{i})}_{1 \le i \le \ell} = 0,$$

$$m+1 \le i \le t \qquad m+1 \le i \le t$$

or  $\lambda_1 z_1 + \lambda_2 z_2 + \cdots + \lambda_\ell z_\ell + \lambda_{m+1} z_{\ell+1} + \lambda_{m+2} z_{\ell+2} + \cdots + \lambda_t z_r = 0$ . By the linear independence of  $B_x$ .

 $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = \dots = \lambda_{\ell} = 0 = \lambda_{m+1} = \dots = \lambda_t$  and s=0. Hence the kernel of  $p_x$  is zero and  $p_x$  is injective on S.

4.21. DEFINITION. In a convexity structure  $(X, C_x)$ , if whenever  $x_5 \in x_1 x_2$  and  $x_4 \in x_1 x_3$  there exists an  $x_6 \in x_3 x_5 \cap x_2 x_4$  then the convexity structure is said to satisfy the Ellis property.

4.22. THEOREM. If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  have regular segments and are compatible and projective in the product, then the Ellis property is productive.

<u>Proof.</u> Let dim X = dim Y = 1, Z = X XY and in Z let  $z_5 \in z_1 z_2$ ,  $z_4 \in z_1 z_3$ . Without loss of generality we may assume there is a  $p_x \in \mathcal{O}_x$  such that  $p_x(z_2) = p_x(z_4) = x_4$ . Let  $p_x(z_1) = x_1 \cdot p_x(z_5) = x_5$  and  $p_x(z_3) = x_3$ . Since  $z_5 \in z_1 z_2$ , by compatibility  $x_5 \in x_1 x_4$  and since  $z_4 \in z_1 z_3$ ,  $x_4 \in x_1 x_3$ . Then  $x_5 \in x_1 x_3$  and  $x_4 \in x_1 x_3$  so by regularity,  $x_4 \in x_1 x_3 = x_1 x_5 \cup x_5 x_3$ . Since segments are regular  $x_4 \notin x_1 x_5$  so  $x_4 \in x_5 x_3$ . But then

by projectivity, there exists a  $z_6 \in z_5^{z_3}$  such that  $p_x(z_6) = x_4$ .

Now let  $p_y$  be such that  $p_y(z_5) = p_y(z_3) = y_3$ . Let  $p_y(z_1) = y_1$ ,  $p_y(z_4) = y_4$  and  $p_y(z_2) = y_2$ . Since  $z_6 \in z_5 z_3$  then by compatibility,  $p_y(z_6) = y_3$ . Now  $z_4 \in z_1 z_3$  hence by compatibility  $y_4 \in y_1 y_3$  and by regularity  $y_3 \in y_1 y_4 \cup y_4 y_2$ , and by decomposability,  $y_3 \in y_4 y_2$ . Hence  $z_6 \in z_4 z_2$  as we wished to show.

If dim  $X \ge 2$  then the points  $z_1, z_2, z_3$ , and  $z_5 \in z_1 z_2$  and  $z_4 \in z_1 z_3$  all lie in some 2-flat F, by Lemma 4.20 there is a projection of F onto X that is one-to-one. It is then clear that the points in the Ellis property can be mapped into F, proving it for  $X \times Y$ .

<u>4.23. COROLLARY.</u> If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  are compatible and projective in the product then regularity of segments is a productive property.

4.24. DEFINITION. Two non-empty convex sets  $C,D \in \mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  are said to be complementary if  $C \cup D = X \times Y$  and  $C \cap D = \emptyset$ .

The following theorem is a basic separation theorem for convex sets. The theorem for linear spaces is proven in Kakutani [9], and Tukey [20], and was extended by Ellis [6]. The following proof is an adaptation of the one used by Valentine [21] for linear spaces to our more general setting.

4.25. THEOREM. Suppose  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  have regular segments, are compatible and projective in the product, and suppose  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  is join-hull commutative. If A and B are non-empty disjoint sets in  $X \times Y$  then there exist complementary convex sets C and D in  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  such that ACC and BSD.

Proof. Let P be the class of all ordered pairs  $(A_i, B_i)$  of convex sets in  $C_{x \times y}^P$  such that  $A_i \cap B_i = \emptyset$ ,  $A_i \supseteq A$ ,  $B_i \supseteq B$ . First we note that P is non-empty since  $(A,B) \subseteq P$ . Partially order P by defining  $(A_i, B_i) < (A_j, B_j)$  if and only if  $A_i \subseteq A_j$  and  $B_i \subseteq B_j$ . The union of every linearly ordered subset of elements in P belongs to P and then by Zorn's Lemma, there is a maximal element (C,D) in P. To show that  $C \cup D = X \times Y$ , suppose  $P \in X \times Y \setminus \{C \cup D\}$ . Since  $Conv_{X \times y}(C \cup \{P\}) = \bigcup \{pc \mid c \in C\}$  and  $Conv_{X \times y}(D \cup \{P\}) = \bigcup \{pd \mid d \in D\}$  and since (C,D) is maximal, there exists  $d_1 \in D \cap Conv_{X \times y}\{C \cup \{p\}\}\}$  and there exists  $c_1 \in C \cap Conv_{X \times y}\{D \cup \{p\}\}\}$ . Since  $d_1 \notin C$ ,  $c_1 \notin D$  then there exist points  $c \in C$  and  $d \in D$  such that  $d_1 \in Intv(cp)$  and  $c_1 \in Intv(dp)$ . By Theorem 4.22,  $dd_1 \cap cc_1 \neq \emptyset$ , which is a contradiction.

The following associative law is presented to show how to define the projective product of a finite number of convexity structures. 4.26. THEOREM. Let  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  and  $(Z, \mathcal{C}_Z)$  be convexity structures on  $R^1$ ,  $R^m$ , and  $R^n$  respectively. Then  $\mathcal{C}_{X^{\times}(Y^{\times}Z)}^P = \mathcal{C}_{(X^{\times}Y)^{\times}Z}^P$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $C \in C_{(x \times y) \times z}^P$ , to show that  $C \in C_{x \times (y \times z)}^P$  we must show that given  $(0, \overline{y}, \overline{z})$  and onto projections  $p_{y \times z}: \quad X \times (Y \times Z) \to Y \times Z \text{ and } \mathcal{T}_{x}: \quad X \times (Y \times Z) \to X \text{ that,}$ 

a)  $\pi_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{p}_{\mathbf{y}*\mathbf{z}}^{-1}(\mathbf{o},\bar{\mathbf{y}},\bar{\mathbf{z}})\cap \mathbf{c}) \in \mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{x}}$ 

and given  $\bar{x} \in X$  and onto projections  $p_{x}$  and  $n_{y \times z}$  that

b) 
$$\mathcal{T}_{y\times z}(\bar{x},0,0)\cap C) \in \mathcal{C}_{y\times z}^{P}$$
.

To establish a) we note that  $p_{yxz}$  and  $n_x$  have the following block matrix representations,

$$p_{y \times z} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ A & I_m & 0 \\ B & 0 & I_n \end{pmatrix}, \qquad n_x = \begin{pmatrix} I_f & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

where A is an mx $\ell$  matrix, B is an nx $\ell$  matrix and I $_{\ell}$ , I $_{m}$ , and I $_{n}$  are identity matrices of order  $\ell$ , m, and n respectively. We define

$$\mathcal{H}_{x \neq y} = \begin{pmatrix} I_{f} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
,  $p_{z} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & I_{n} \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $p_{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ A & I_{m} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ;

then it is routine to show that

 $\eta_{x}(p_{y*z}^{-1}(0,\bar{y},\bar{z})) = \eta_{x}(p_{y}^{-1}(0,\bar{y},0)) = \eta_{x}(p_{z}^{-1}(0,0,\bar{z})),$ where the right side of the above equation belongs to  $\mathcal{C}_{x}$  since  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{C}_{(x*y)*z}^{P}$ , establishing a).

To establish b) there are two similar arguments. We will show that given  $(0,\bar{y},0)$  and onto projections

 $p_y$ :  $Y \times Z \longrightarrow Y$  and  $\pi_z$ :  $Y \times Z \longrightarrow Z$  that  $\pi_z(p_y^{-1}(0,\bar{y},0) \cap T) \in \mathcal{C}_z$ , where  $T = \mathcal{T}_{V \times Z}(p_x^{-1}(\bar{x},0,0) \cap C)$ .

We note that  $p_x: X \times (Y \times Z) \longrightarrow X$  and  $p_y: 0 \times Y \times Z \longrightarrow Y$  have matrix representations

$$p_{x} = \begin{pmatrix} I_{1} & D & E \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad p_{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_{m} & F \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

where D,E, and F are of order [xm, [xn, and mxn respectively.

If we define 
$$p_{xxy} = \begin{pmatrix} I_{p} & 0 & E-DF \\ 0 & I_{m} & F \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

and let  $q=(\bar{x}-D\bar{y},\bar{y},0)\in X\times Y$ , then it is routine to show that  $\mathcal{H}_Z(p_y^{-1}(0,\bar{y},0)\cap T)=\mathcal{H}_Z(p_{X\times Y}^{-1}(q)\cap C)$ , where the right side of the above equation belongs to  $\mathcal{C}_Z$  since  $C\in \mathcal{C}_{(X\times Y)\times Z}^P$  establishing b), and completing the proof.

We now present some results leading to a Carathéodory theorem for the projective product.

4.27. LEMMA. If  $C_x$  and  $C_y$  are compatible in the product then the usual lines of Z=X × Y are members of  $C_{x\times y}^P$ .

<u>Proof.</u> Let F be any line in Z; then by choosing  $q \in F$  the set S=F-q is a one-dimensional subspace of Z. It is clear that either  $S \cap X=0$  or  $S \cap Y=0$ , say  $S \cap X=0$ . Let S=span  $\{s\}$ . First, if  $s \in Y$  then assume the following bases for X and Y, X=span  $\{z_1, \ldots, z_m\}$ , Y=span  $\{z_{m+1}, \ldots, z_{m+n}\}$  where  $z_{m+1}=s$ . Define the projections  $\pi_{X}(\sum_{i=1}^{m+n}\lambda_{i}z_{i})=\sum_{i=1}^{m+n}\lambda_{i}z_{i}$ .

and  $p_{\mathbf{x_r}}(\sum_{i=1}^{m+n} \lambda_i z_i) = (\sum_{i=1}^{m} \lambda_i z_i) - \lambda_{m+r} z_1$ ,  $2 \le r \le n$ . We note that  $p_{\mathbf{x_r}} \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $p_{\mathbf{x_r}}(s) = 0$  for every  $r = 2, \dots, n$ . We now claim that  $S = \mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{x}}^{-1}(0) \cap (\bigcap_{r=2}^{n} p_{\mathbf{x_r}}^{-1}(0))$ ; for if  $\mathbf{z} = \sum_{i=1}^{m+n} \lambda_i z_i \in \ker \mathcal{N}_{\mathbf{x}} \cap \ker p_{\mathbf{x_r}} \cap \dots \cap \ker p_{\mathbf{x_r}}$ , then  $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_m = 0$  and  $\lambda_{m+2} = \lambda_{m+3} = \dots = \lambda_{m+n} = \lambda_1$  or  $\mathbf{z} = \lambda_{m+1} = \lambda_s$  as desired.

If  $s \notin Y$  define the following bases for X and Y, X=span  $\{z_1, \ldots, z_m\}$  where  $z_1 = \mathcal{T}_X(s)$  and Y=span  $\{z_{m+1}, \ldots, z_{m+n}\}$  where  $z_{m+1} = \mathcal{T}_Y(s)$ . Define  $p_X(\sum_{i=1}^{m+n} \lambda_i z_i) = (\sum_{i=1}^{m} \lambda_i z_i) - \lambda_{m+1} z_1$ .

 $\begin{array}{lll} p_y(\overset{m+n}{\underset{i=1}{\stackrel{k}{\succeq}}}\lambda_iz_i) = (\overset{m+n}{\underset{i=m+1}{\stackrel{k}{\succeq}}}\lambda_iz_i) - \lambda_1z_{m+1}. & \text{Note that } p_x \in \mathcal{O}_x, \\ p_y \in \mathcal{O}_y & \text{and } s \in \ker p_x \cap \ker p_y. & \text{we claim that } S = p_x^{-1}(0) \cap p_y^{-1}(0) \\ & \text{for if } z = \overset{m+n}{\underset{i=1}{\stackrel{k}{\succeq}}}\lambda_iz_i \in \ker p_x \cap \ker p_y. & \text{then} \\ & \lambda_1 = \lambda_{m+1}, \lambda_2 = \ldots = \lambda_m = 0 \text{ and } \lambda_1 = \lambda_{m+1}, \lambda_{m+2} = \ldots = \lambda_{m+n} = 0 \\ & \text{and so } z = \lambda z_1 + \lambda z_{m+1} = \lambda \left( \mathcal{N}_x(s) + \mathcal{N}_y(s) \right) = \lambda s \text{ as desired.} \end{array}$ 

<u>4.28.</u> LEMMA. If  $C_x$  and  $C_y$  are compatible and projective in the product, then for any one-dimensional member C of  $C_x$  and affine map T:  $X \rightarrow X$ ,  $T(C) \in C_x$ , and similarly for  $C_y$ . That is, the subfamilies of  $C_x$  and  $C_y$  consisting of their one-dimensional members are closed under affine maps.

<u>Proof.</u> Suppose  $C \subseteq F$  where F is a 1-flat in X. Since the problem is trivial if C is singleton, assume without loss that  $0 \in C$ ,  $x_0 \in C$  with  $x_0 \neq 0$ , and T(0)=0. Let  $x_0'=T(x_0)$  and consider a point  $z_0' \in \mathcal{N}_X^{-1}(x_0) \setminus X$ . The line  $L(0,z_0)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}_{X \neq y}^P$  Lemma 4.27. Also there exists

 $p_x \in \mathcal{O}_x$  such that  $p_x(z_0) = x_0'$ . Both  $p_x$  and  $\mathcal{H}_x$  are one-to-one on  $L(0,z_0)$  and hence  $T(C) = p_x[\mathcal{H}_x^{-1}(C) \cap L(0,z_0)] \in \mathcal{C}_x$ .

<u>4.29. LEMMA.</u> Let  $\mathcal{C}_{x}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_{y}$  be compatible and projective in the product and suppose that segments in  $\mathcal{C}_{x}$  are closed topologically, relative to  $X=R^{m}$ . Then each segment pq in  $\mathcal{C}_{x}$  is either  $\{p,q\}$ , the usual segment joining p and q, or the line determined by p and q.

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $x_0, x_1 \in X$  and suppose  $x_2 \in x_0 x_1$  where  $x_2 \neq x_1$ , i=1,2. By Lemma 4.27  $x_0 x_1 \subseteq L(x_0, x_1)$ ; then without loss of generality assume  $x_2 \in u$ -conv  $x_0 x_1$ . It is clear that a sequence of affine transformations  $T_2, \dots, T_1, \dots$  and a sequence of points  $x_3, \dots, x_{i+1}, \dots$  iZ2 may be constructed such that if  $Q_i = \{x_i \mid 0 \le j \le i\}$  then

- 1)  $T_{i}(x_{2})=x_{i+1}$
- 2)  $T_i(Q_1) \subseteq Q_i$ , and
- 3)  $Q = \bigcup_{i \ge 1} Q_i$  is topologically dense on u-conv  $x_0 x_1$ .

Each  $T_i$  may be assumed injective so that if S is any one-dimensional subset of X then  $T_i(\text{conv}_x S) = \text{conv}_x T_i(s)$  by Lemma 4.28. To show  $Q \subseteq x_0 x_1$ , it suffices to show  $Q_i \subseteq x_0 x_1$  for  $i \ge 1$ . Obviously,  $Q_1 \subseteq x_0 x_1$  so assume  $Q_i \subseteq x_0 x_1$  and consider  $Q_{i+1}$ ; we have  $x_{i+1} = T_i(x_2) \in T_i(x_0 x_1) = T_i(\text{conv}_x Q_1) = \text{conv}_x T_i(Q_1) \subseteq \text{conv}_x Q_i \subseteq x_0 x_1$ . Hence  $Q \subseteq x_0 x_1$  and then  $x_0 x_1$  contains the closure of Q or u-conv  $x_0 x_1$ . So if  $x_0 x_1 \ne \{x_0, x_1\}$  then u-conv  $x_0 x_1 \subseteq x_0 x_1$ . If there is an  $x_2 \in x_0 x_1$  u-conv  $x_0 x_1$  then by Lemma 4.28  $x_0 x_1 = L(x_0, x_1)$ . Otherwise  $x_0 x_1 = u$ -conv  $x_0 x_1$ .

<u>4.30.</u> REMARK. The segments of  $\mathcal{C}_{x}$  can be the ordinary lines of X so it does not necessarily follow that the betweeness relations in  $R^{m}$  coincide with those of  $\mathcal{C}_{x}$  under the hypothesis of Lemma 4.29.

4.31. REMARK. Inductive proofs of the classical Caratheodory theorem are rare; only one is known to the author, namely that advanced by B. Peterson in [13]. If we specialize to the case  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{x}} = \mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{x}}^{\mathbf{u}}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{y}} = \mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{y}}^{\mathbf{u}}$  then the following theorem becomes an inductive proof of the classical Caratheodory theorem in  $\mathbf{R}^{\mathbf{m}+\mathbf{n}}$ , different from that given by Peterson.

4.32. THEOREM. Suppose  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  are convexity structures that are compatible and projective in the product having topologically closed segments, and such that  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  is join-hull commutative. Then if  $\mathcal{C}_x$  has Carathéodory number c and  $Y=R^1$ , then  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}^P$  has Carathéodory number less than or equal to c+1.

<u>Proof.</u> Let  $z \in \text{conv}_{xxy}S$  for  $S \subseteq X \times Y$  and let  $\mathcal{N}_y(z) = y$ . First, if  $S \subseteq \mathcal{N}_y^{-1}(y)$  then  $x = \mathcal{N}_X(z) \in \mathcal{N}_X(\text{conv}_{xxy}S) = \text{conv}_X \mathcal{N}_X(S)$ , so there exist c points  $x_1, \dots, x_c$  in  $\mathcal{N}_X(S)$  such that  $x \in \text{conv}_X\{x_1, \dots, x_c\}$  and then there exist points  $s_i \in S$  such that  $\mathcal{N}_X(s_i) = x_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, c$ . Since  $\mathcal{N}_X(s_i) = x_i$  is bijective on  $\mathcal{N}_Y^{-1}(y)$ ,  $z \in \text{conv}_{x \times y}\{s_1, \dots, s_c\}$  the convex hull of c or fewer points of S. Now suppose  $S \not= n_y^{-1}(y)$  and let  $s \neq S$  be such that  $n_y(s^*) \neq y$ . By join-hull commutativity  $z \in \text{conv}_{x \neq y}[s^* \cup (S \setminus s^*)] = s + \text{jn conv}_{x \neq y}(S \setminus s^*)$ . Since  $C_{x \neq y}^P$  is domain finite by Theorem 4.17  $S \setminus s + \text{may be assumed to}$  be finite so there exists a minimal subset  $S \neq S \setminus s + \text{such}$  that  $z \in s + \text{jn conv}_{x \neq y} = s + \text{jn$ 

Case 1. If  $z \not\in \text{conv}_{x \times y} S^*$  there exists a  $q \in \text{conv}_{x \times y} S^*$  such that  $z \in q s^*$ . Since  $z \not\in \text{conv}_{x \times y} S^*$ ,  $z \not= q$ . Also,  $z \not= s^*$  since  $\mathcal{T}_y(s^*) \not= \mathcal{T}_y(z)$ . By Lemma 4.29  $q s^* \ge u - \text{conv} q s^*$ . Since  $s^* \not\in \mathcal{T}^{-1}(y)$  let  $p_x \in \mathcal{O}_x$  such that  $p_x(q) = p_x(s^*)$ . Then  $q' = p_x(q) \in p_x(\text{conv}_{x \times y} S^*) = \text{conv} p_x(S^*)$  so there exist points  $s_1 \in S^*$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, c$  such that  $q' \in \text{conv}_x\{p_x(s_1), \dots, p_x(s_c)\} = p_x(\text{conv}_{x \times y}\{s_1, \dots, s_c\})$ . Thus there exists an  $s \in \text{conv}_{x \times y}\{s_1, \dots, s_c\}$  so that  $q' = p_x(s)$ .

Case 2. If  $z \in \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} S^*$ , we repeat the procedure and consider the two cases  $S^* \subseteq \mathfrak{n}_y^{-1}(y)$  and  $S^* \not= \mathfrak{n}_y^{-1}(y)$ . If  $S^* \subseteq \mathfrak{n}_y^{-1}(y)$ , then as before it follows that z lies in the convex hull of c or fewer points of  $S^* \subseteq S$ . If  $S^* \not= \mathfrak{n}_y^{-1}(y)$  then we choose  $\overline{S}^* \in S^* \setminus \mathfrak{n}_y^{-1}(y)$  as before, let  $\overline{S}^* \subseteq S^* \setminus \overline{S}^*$  be minimal such that  $z \in \overline{S}^*$  jn  $\operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} \overline{S}^*$ , and then  $\overline{S}^*$  and  $\overline{S}^*$  play the roles of  $S^*$  and  $S^*$  in the preceding argument. But in this case since  $S^*$  is minimal such that  $z \in S^* \subset S^* \setminus S^*$  we cannot have  $z \in \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} S^*$ . Hence  $z \notin \operatorname{conv}_{x \times y} S^*$  and it ultimately follows that z lies in the convex hull of c+1 or fewer points  $\overline{S}_1, \overline{S}_2, \dots, \overline{S}_c, \overline{S}^*$  of  $S^* \subseteq S$ , which completes the proof.

We shall now prove a Helly theorem for the projective product. The lemma following the next two definitions is an adaptation of a theorem in Valentine [21].

- 4.33. DEFINITION. A polyhedron in a convexity structure  $(x, \mathcal{C}_x)$  is the convex hull of a finite set.
- 4.34. DEFINITION. A convexity structure  $(X \times Y, \mathcal{C}_{X \times Y}^P)$  is said to have the <u>polyhedron separation property</u> if and only if given a polyhedron P and a convex set C there exists a projection  $p_z \in \mathcal{C}_X \cup \mathcal{C}_Y$  and a point  $a \in X \cup Y$  such that  $p_z^{-1}(a) \cap (P \cup C) = \emptyset$ , and if  $z_1 \in P$ ,  $z_2 \in C$  then  $p_z^{-1}(a) \cap \text{conv } z_1 z_2 \neq \emptyset$ .

<u>4.35.</u> LEMMA. Let  $C_i$ , i=1,...,h+1 be h+1 convex sets in a convexity structure such that the intersection of each h of them is nonempty. Then there exist h+1 polyhedrons  $P_i$ , i=1,...,h+1 such that  $P_i \subseteq C_i$  and the intersection of each h of them is nonempty.

<u>Proof.</u> Since every h of the h+1 sets  $C_i$  has nonempty intersection, there exists  $p_i \in \bigcap_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq h+1 \\ j \neq i}} C_j$ ,  $i=1,\ldots,h+1$ .

Define  $P_i = conv(\bigcup_{\substack{i \notin j \leq h+1 \\ j \neq i}} \{p_j\})$ , then  $P_i \subseteq C_i$ , i=1,...,h+1,

and  $P_1 \cap \left(\bigcap_{\substack{2 \le j \le h+1 \ j \ne i}} C_j\right) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $2 \le i \le h+1$ ; hence  $P_1$  can replace

C<sub>1</sub>. It then follows by finite induction that each set C<sub>i</sub> can be replaced by a polyhedron P<sub>i</sub> such that the intersection of every h of the polyhedrons is nonempty.

4.36. THEOREM. If  $(X, C_x)$  and  $(Y, C_y)$  have finite Helly numbers  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  respectively, and if  $C_{xxy}^P$  has the polyhedron separation property, then  $C_{xxy}^P$  has a finite Helly number  $h \le \max\{h_1, h_2\}$  +1.

<u>Proof.</u> By the above lemma, it is sufficient to prove that all members of a family  $\mathfrak{F}$  of h+1 polyhedrons have a point in common if every h have nonempty intersection.

Suppose that this is false, that there exist h+1 polyhedrons  $P_i$ ,  $i=1,\ldots,h+1$  such that each h of them have a point in common but  $\bigcap_{1}^{h+1}P_i=\emptyset$ . Since  $P_1\cap\ldots\cap P_h$  and  $P_{h+1}$  are disjoint, by the polyhedron separation property there

exists, without loss of generality, a projection  $p_x$  and a point  $a \in X$  such that  $p_x^{-1}(a) \cap [(P_1 \cap \dots \cap P_h) \cup P_{h+1}] = \emptyset$ , and if  $z_1 \in P_1 \cap \dots \cap P_h$  and  $z_2 \in P_{h+1}$  then  $p_x^{-1}(a) \cap conv\{z_1, z_2\} \neq \emptyset$ .

Since  $P_{h+1}$  and every combination of h-1 members of  $P_1,\dots,P_h$  have nonempty intersection, then the intersection of every h-1 members of  $P_1,\dots,P_h$  must have a nonempty intersection with  $p_x^{-1}(a)$ . Since each  $P_i$  is convex in  $C_{x\times y}^P$ ,  $\mathcal{T}_y(p_x^{-1}(a)\cap P_i)$  is convex in Y for  $1\leq i\leq h$  and each h-1 of them have nonempty intersection. But h-1  $\geq h_1$ ; therefore all h sets  $\mathcal{T}_y(p_x^{-1}(a)\cap P_i)$  have nonempty intersection. That is, there exists a  $y\in Y$  such that  $y\in \mathcal{T}_x$   $\mathcal{T}_y(p_x^{-1}(a)\cap P_i)$ , and then there exists a point  $q\in p_x^{-1}(a)\cap \{P_1\cap\dots\cap P_h\}$ , a contradiction.

We shall end this chapter with some results relating the projective product and affine mappings.

4.37. THEOREM. If  $(X,\mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y,\mathcal{C}_y)$  are convexity structures that are compatible in the product, then  $\mathcal{C}_X$  and  $\mathcal{C}_V$  are closed under translations.

<u>Proof.</u> Let T: X  $\rightarrow$  X be a translation; i.e. T(x)=x+a for some  $a \in X$ . Let  $\mathcal{T}_X$  and  $\mathcal{T}_y$  be the orthogonal projections from X  $\times$  Y onto X and Y respectively, and let  $0 \neq y \in Y$ . Let  $p_X$  be a projection onto X such that  $p_X(x+a,y)=x$ . It is then routine to show that  $T(C)=C+a=\mathcal{T}_X(\mathcal{T}_y^{-1}(y)\cap p_X^{-1}(C))$ , and since  $C_X$  and  $C_Y$  are compatible in the product,  $p_X^{-1}(C)$  is a convex set in  $C_{X\times Y}^P$  and hence  $\mathcal{T}_X(\mathcal{T}_y^{-1}(y)\cap p_X^{-1}(C))=T(C)\in C_X$ , which completes the proof.

If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  is the usual convexity structure on  $R^1$  and if  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  is the structure defined on  $R^1$  by  $C \in \mathcal{C}_y$  if and only if card  $C \leq 2$  or C = Y, then both  $\mathcal{C}_X$  and  $\mathcal{C}_Y$  are closed under translations, but  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_Y)$  are not compatible in the product, showing that the converse to the above theorem is not necessarily true.

4.38. THEOREM. If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  are convexity structures that are compatible in the product and if  $\mathcal{C}_{x*y}^P$  is closed under affine mappings, then  $\mathcal{C}_x$  and  $\mathcal{C}_y$  are both closed under affine mappings.

<u>Proof.</u> Let T: X  $\rightarrow$  X be an affine map on X. Then T'(x,y)=(T(x),y) defines an affine mapping T' on  $X\times Y$ , and hence if  $C\in\mathcal{C}_X$ ,  $T(C)=\mathcal{N}_X(\pi_Y^{-1}(0)\cap T'(\pi_X^{-1}C))$  belongs to  $\mathcal{C}_Y$ .

As a counterexample to the converse of the above theorem, let  $X=R^1$ ,  $C \in C_X$  if and only if  $|C| \le 2$  or C=X, and  $Y=R^2$ ,  $C_y=\{C \mid C=Y \text{ or } C \text{ is a pair of parallel lines}\}$   $U\{C \mid C \text{ consists of the vertices of a non-degenerate parallelogram}\}$   $U\{C \mid C \text{ is a set of three non-collinear points}\}$   $U\{C \mid C \mid E \le 2\}$ . Then  $C_X$  and  $C_Y$  are compatible in the product and both are closed under affine mappings since a set of cardinality five, no three of which are collinear and lying in a plane containing X, will belong to  $C_{X\times Y}^P$  but the image of this set under a rotation need not belong to  $C_{X\times Y}^P$ .

The following example shows that even if  $(X, \mathcal{C}_x)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  are compatible in the product,  $\mathcal{C}_x$  and  $\mathcal{C}_y$  need not be closed under affine mappings.

4.39. EXAMPLE. Let  $X=R^2$  and let  $C \in \mathcal{C}_X$  if and only if C=X or  $C \in \{C \mid C$  is a line or a pair of parallel lines  $\{C \mid C \mid \leq 4\}$ , no three of which are collinear  $\{C \mid C \mid \leq 4\}$ , no three of which are collinear  $\{C \mid C \mid \leq 4\}$ . Let  $Y=R^1$  and let  $C \in \mathcal{C}_Y$  if and only if C=Y or  $\{C \mid \leq 2\}$ . Then it is tedious but routine to show that  $\{X, \mathcal{C}_X\}$  and  $\{Y, \mathcal{C}_Y\}$  are compatible in the product but  $\mathcal{C}_X$  is not closed under affine mappings.

The following theorem presents a positive result relating compatibility and affine mappings when  $X=Y=R^{1}$ .

4.40. THEOREM. If  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  are convexity structures on  $X=Y=R^1$  such that  $\mathcal{C}_{x\times y}^P$  is closed under affine mappings, then  $(X, \mathcal{C}_X)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{C}_y)$  are compatible in the product.

<u>Proof.</u> It is routine to show that the mappings  $F(\bar{x}) = \pi_X'(p_y^{-1}(y) \cap p_X^{-1}(\bar{x})) \text{ and } G(\bar{x}) = \pi_y'((p_X')^{-1}(x) \cap p_X^{-1}(\bar{x}))$  are either trivial or affine mappings from  $X \times \{0\}$  to Y, respectively.

4.41. EXAMPLE. Let  $X=Y=R^2$ ,  $C_x=C_y=\{C\mid |C|\leq 1 \text{ or } C=R^2\}$ . Then  $C_{x\times y}^P=\{C\mid |C|\leq 1 \text{ or } C=R^4\}$ , and  $C_x$ ,  $C_y$  and  $C_x$  are all closed under affine mappings but  $(X,C_x)$  and  $(Y,C_y)$ 

are not compatible in the product since  $\mathcal{C}_{x}$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{y}$  do not contain lines, forcing  $\mathcal{C}_{xxy}^{P}$  to not contain planes, e.g.  $\Lambda_{x}^{-1}(0)$ .

Finally, there appears to be no connection at all between the closure of  $\mathcal{C}_x$  and  $\mathcal{C}_y$  under affine maps and the property of  $\mathcal{C}_{xxy}^P$  being projective as the examples below show.

If  $X=Y=R^1$  and if  $\mathcal{C}_X=\mathcal{C}_y=\{C\mid C=R^1 \text{ or } |C|\leq 2\}$ , then  $\mathcal{C}_X$  and  $\mathcal{C}_y$  are closed under affine maps but not projective in the product: Three non-collinear points will belong to  $\mathcal{C}_{x\times y}^P$  but their projection will not necessarily belong to  $\mathcal{C}_x$  or  $\mathcal{C}_y$ .

If  $X=R^2$  and  $C_x=\{C||C| \le 1, C \text{ is a line not parallel}$  to the x-axis or  $C=R^2\}$  and  $Y=R^1$ ,  $C_y=\{C||C| \le 1 \text{ or } C=R^1\}$ , then  $(X,C_x)$  and  $(Y,C_y)$  will be projective in the product but not closed under affine mappings.

We remark that we have been only partly successful in creating a product concept for  $\mathcal{C}_{x \times y}$  that is both natural and useful. We have been unable to remove the requirement that X and Y are themselves vector spaces so that the product concept could be defined for more general convexity structures. Also, we have been unable to obtain a Radon theorem or general Caratheodory and Helly theorems for this product.

## APPENDIX

# SYMBOLS USED IN THE TEXT

| Symbol   | Meaning                                   | Page Defined |
|--|---|--------------|
| Ø  | Empty set                                 |              |
| dim X  | Dimension of X                            |              |
| $span\{x_i\}$  | Linear space spanned by {x <sub>i</sub> } |              |
| 101  | Cardinality of a set C                    |              |
| e  | Convexity structure                       | 3            |
| conv S   | Convex hull of a set S                    | 4            |
| pq   | Convex hull of {p,q}                      | 4            |
| ckS  | Convex kernel of a set S                  | 7            |
| $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{x} \star \mathbf{y}}^{\mathrm{E}}$ | Eckhoff product of X and Y                | 10           |
| co <sub>x</sub> A  | Complement of A in X                      | 17           |
| ©xxy   | Complement product of X and Y             | 17           |
| 11   | Orthogonal projection                     | 33           |
| $p_{X}$  | Projection onto X                         | 33           |
| $\boldsymbol{\varrho}_{\mathtt{x}}$                      | Class of projections onto X               | 33           |
| $\mathcal{G}_{x \star y}^{P}$                            | Projective product of X and Y             | 33           |
| $\mathcal{C}_{\mathbf{x}}^{\mathbf{u}}$                  | Usual convexity structure on X            | 34           |
| u-conv   | Usual convex hull operator                | 34           |

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