

LECTURE 9 : : : Wed 9/25

Last Time: regular zonotopal tilings

zonotope $Z = \sum_{i=1}^N [0, \vec{v}_i] \subset \mathbb{R}^d$

"lifted" zonotope $\tilde{Z} = \sum_{i=1}^N [0, \tilde{v}_i] \subset \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$

$\tilde{v}_i = (\vec{v}_i, h_i) \in \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$
 ↖ "heights"

$p: \mathbb{R}^{d+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$

$p(\tilde{Z}) = Z$

The regular zonotopal tiling (associated w/ h_1, \dots, h_N) is the "projection of the upper boundary" of \tilde{Z} onto Z .

Tiles: $p(F_{\vec{a}, \tilde{Z}}) = \sum_{i=1}^N \begin{cases} \{\vec{v}_i\} & \text{if } \langle \vec{a}, \tilde{v}_i \rangle + h_i > 0 \\ \{0\} & \text{if } \langle \vec{a}, \tilde{v}_i \rangle + h_i < 0 \\ [0, \vec{v}_i] & \text{if } \langle \vec{a}, \tilde{v}_i \rangle + h_i = 0 \end{cases}$ here $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^d$

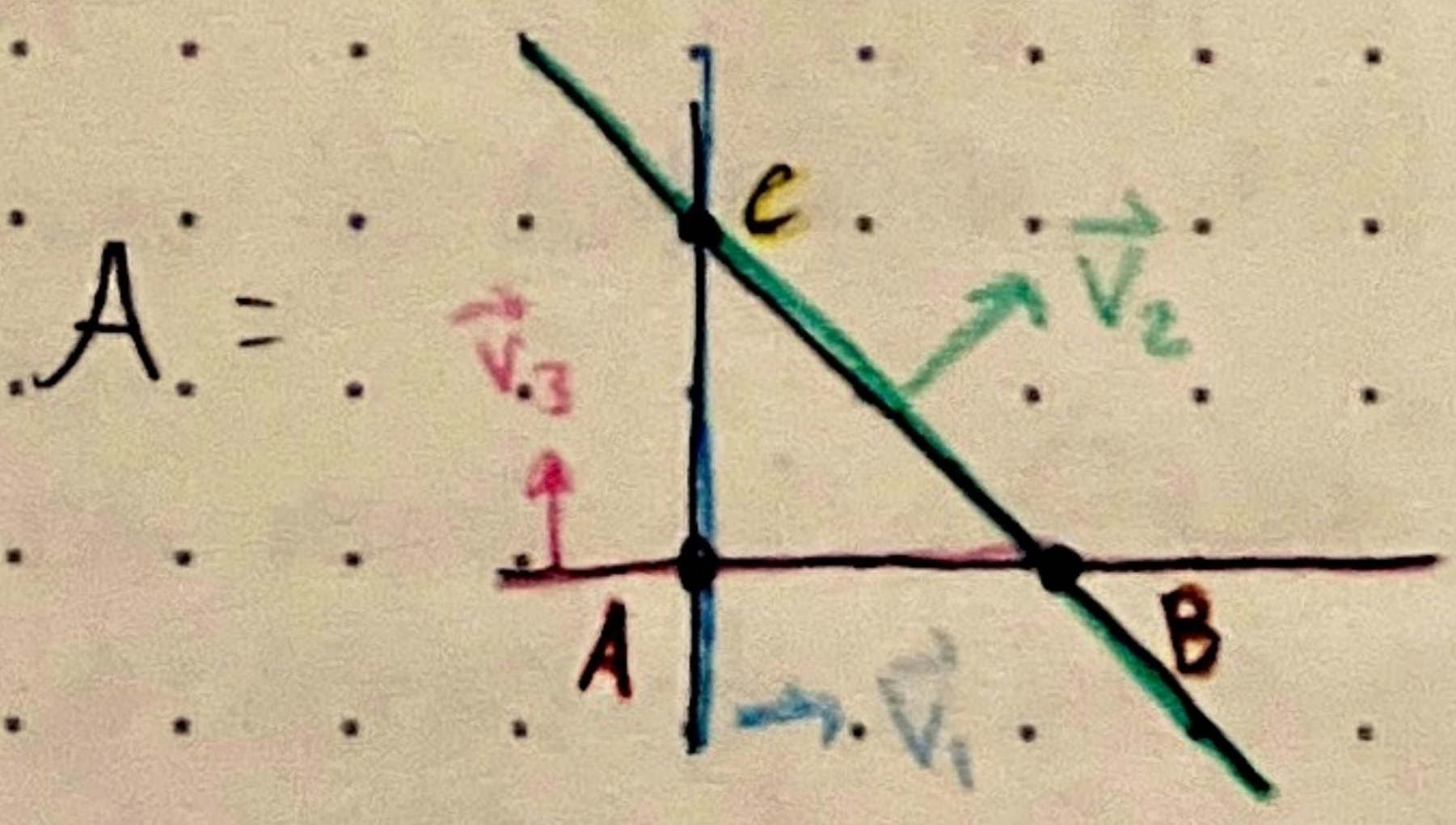
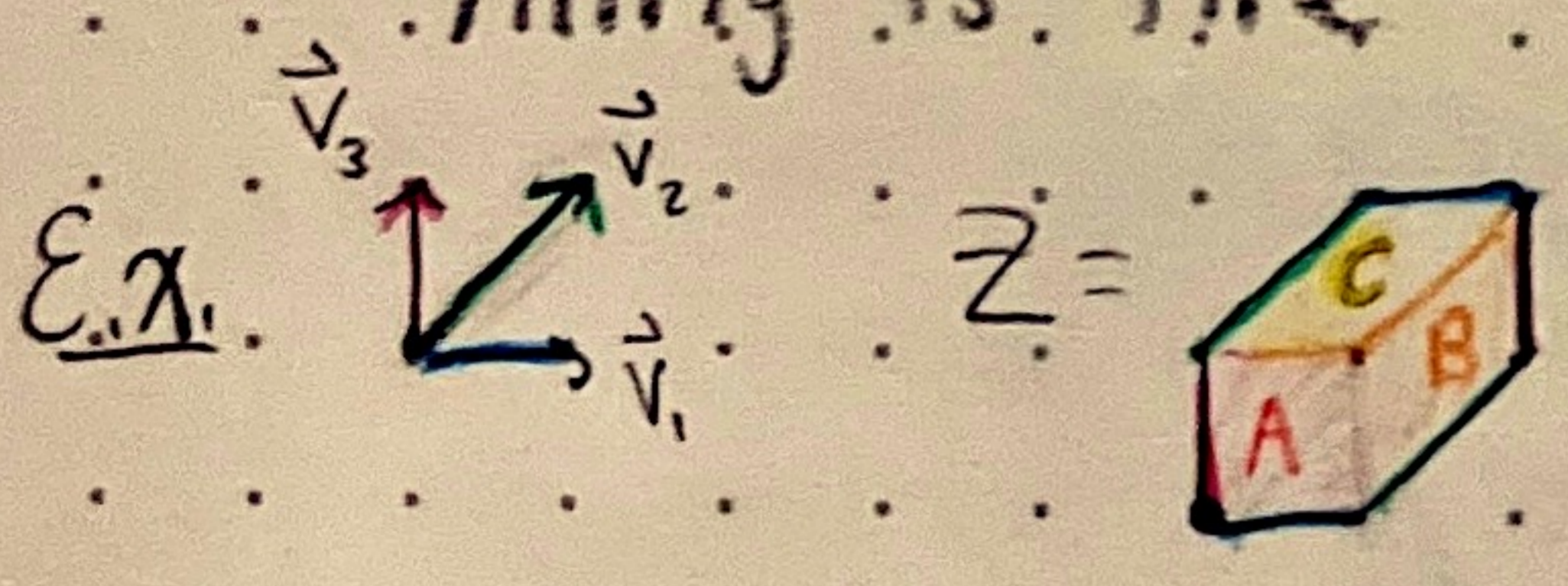
Affine hyperplane arrangement

$A = \{H_1, \dots, H_N\}$

$H_i = \{ \vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^d \mid \langle \vec{a}, \vec{v}_i \rangle + h_i = 0 \}$

Thrm: For any choice of heights, the face poset of A is dual to the face poset of the associated zonotopal tiling

Thrm: If h_i 's are in general position, the the corresponding tiling is fine



Tiles:

A: $[0, \vec{v}_1] + \{0\} + [0, \vec{v}_3]$

B: $\{\vec{v}_1\} + [0, \vec{v}_2] + [0, \vec{v}_3]$

C: $[0, \vec{v}_1] + [0, \vec{v}_2] + \{\vec{v}_3\}$

} what lines does it intersect (intervals)
 } and what height along direction it doesn't (points)

Lemma: For h_i 's in general position,

$$H_1 \cap \dots \cap H_k \neq \emptyset \text{ iff } \vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k \text{ lin. ind.}$$

A generalization: Mixed subdivisions of Minkowski sum of polytopes
 $P = P_1 + P_2 + \dots + P_N \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$

Def: A mixed subdivision of P is a collection of labelled tiles of the form

$$T(F_1, \dots, F_N) = F_1 + \dots + F_N$$

labelled by
 (F_1, \dots, F_N)

where F_i is a face of $P_i \forall i$, and satisfying

(0) Each tile is d -dim'd

(1) Union of tiles = P

(2) Any pair of tiles intersect properly:

$$T(F_1, \dots, F_N) \cap T(G_1, \dots, G_N) = T(F_1 \cap G_1, \dots, F_N \cap G_N)$$

the common face of the two tiles. (or d .)

Def: Regular mixed subdivision

$$p: \mathbb{R}^{d+1} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$$

Lifted polytopes. $\tilde{P}_1, \dots, \tilde{P}_N \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{d+1}$ s.t.

$p: \tilde{P}_i \rightarrow P_i$ is a linear isomorphism.

$$\tilde{P} = \tilde{P}_1 + \dots + \tilde{P}_N$$

\rightsquigarrow Mixed subdivision of P

= Projection of the upper bdry of \tilde{P}

(b/c p gives lin. iso, projections of faces of \tilde{P}_i go to faces of P_i .)

Suppose $N_i = N_{P_i}$, normal fan of P_i

$$N'_i = N_{P_i} + \vec{u}_i$$

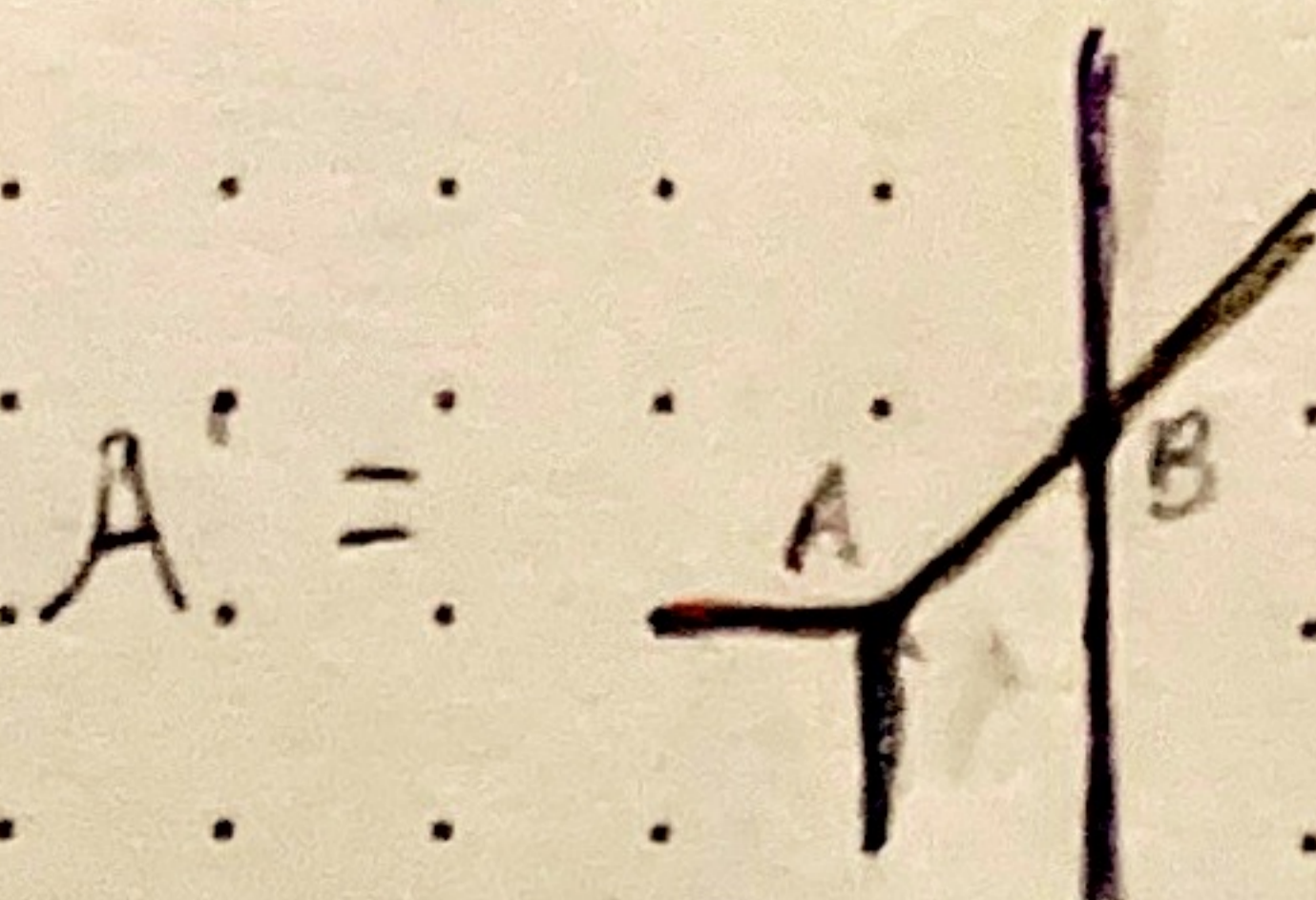
Affine fan arrangement

$$A' = \{N'_1, \dots, N'_N\}$$

Thrm: The face poset of A' is dual to the face poset of the corresponding mixed subdivision of P

Ex. $P_1 = \triangle_{ab}$ $P_2 = d \rightarrow e$

$P = P_1 + P_2 =$

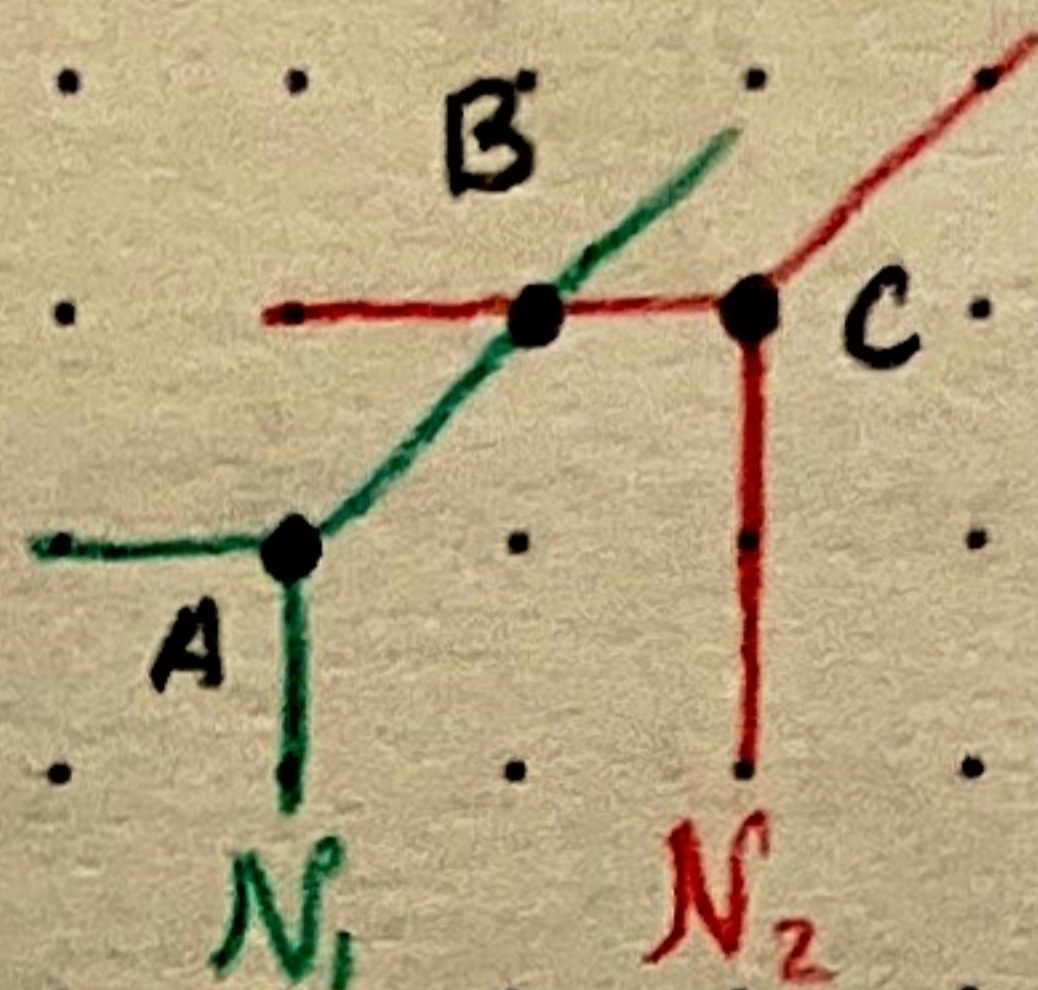


$N_1 =$ $N_2 = |$

Tiles $A: \triangle_{ab} + \{d\}$

$B: \triangle_{bc} + \{d\}$

Ex. $P_1 = \triangle_{ab}$ $P_2 = \triangle_{bc}$



$A = \triangle_{ab} + \{a\}$

$B = \triangle_{bc} + \{b\}$

$C = \{c\} + \triangle_{ca}$

$P = P_1 + P_2 =$ (labelling matters)

Choice of P_i corresponds to choice of lin. fcn. on \mathbb{R}^d which correspond to our choice of \vec{u}_i in $\tilde{N}_i = N_i + \vec{u}_i$

Lemma: For \vec{u}_i 's in general position, each tile is of the form $F_1 + \dots + F_N$ where $\text{span } F_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \text{span } F_N = \mathbb{R}^d$ is a decomposition of \mathbb{R}^d as direct sum of subspace.

\Rightarrow Thrm from last lecture that volume of dilated polytopes is polynomial of t_i 's