
pypolycontain

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pypolycontain

A Python package for polytopic objects,
operations, and containment encodings

pypolycontain is a python package for polytopic objects, operations, and polytope containment problems. It is written as part of a project for verification and control of hybrid systems.

1 Setup

Installation is now easy:

```
pip install pypolycontain
```

Or [download](#), and:

```
python3 setup.py install
```

2 Dependencies:

- [numpy](#)¹ (Use latest version)

2.1 Optional dependencies (for some features)

- [Drake](#)² (Use latest version)
- [pycdd3](#) (Use latest version)
- [Gurobi](#)⁴ (Version 8.0.1 or later) *Free Academic License*
- [scipy](#)⁵ (Use latest version)

2.1.1 Examples

Getting Started

The simplest tasks are pypolycontain is defining polytopic objects, performing operations, and visualizing them. First, import the package alongside numpy.

```
[1]: import numpy as np
import pypolycontain as pp
```

Objects

H-polytope

We define an H-polytope $\mathbb{P} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 | Hx \leq h\}$. We give the following numericals for H and h:

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, h = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

```
[2]: H=np.array([[1,1],[-1,1],[0,-1]])
h=np.array([1,1,0])
A=pp.H_polytope(H,h)
```

¹ <https://numpy.org/>

² <https://drake.mit.edu/>

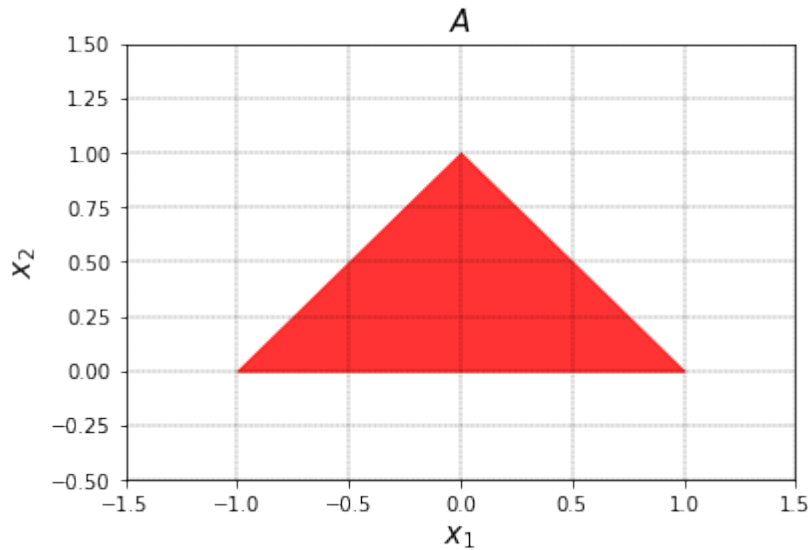
³ <https://pycddlib.readthedocs.io/en/latest/index.html>

⁴ <https://gurobi.com>

⁵ <https://scipy.org/>

This is a triangle as it is defined by intersection of 3 half-spaces in \mathbb{R}^2 . In order to visualize the polytope, we call the following function. Note the brackets around visualize function - it takes in a list of polytopes as its primary argument.

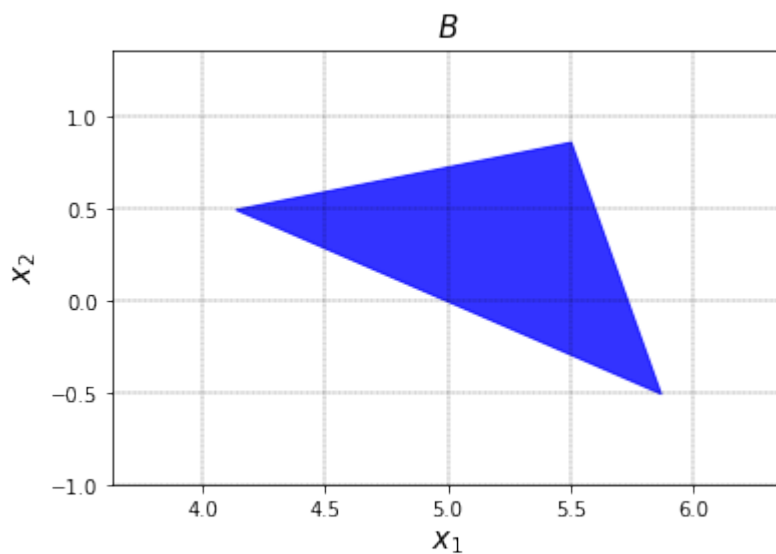
```
[3]: pp.visualize([A],title=r'$A$')
```



AH-polytope

We define an AH-polytope as $t + TP$ with the following numbers. The transformation represents a rotation of 30° and translation in x direction.

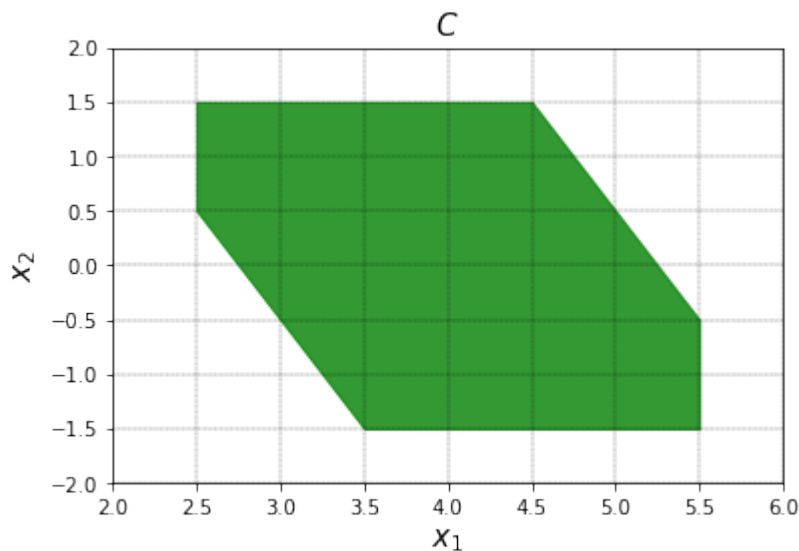
```
[4]: t=np.array([5,0]).reshape(2,1) # offset
theta=np.pi/6 # 30 degrees
T=np.array([[np.cos(theta),np.sin(theta)],[-np.sin(theta),np.cos(theta)]]) # Linear transformation
B=pp.AH_polytope(t,T,A)
pp.visualize([B],title=r'$B$')
```



Zonotope

We define a zonotope as $\mathbb{Z} = x + G[-1,1]^{n_p}$, where n_p is the number of rows in p .

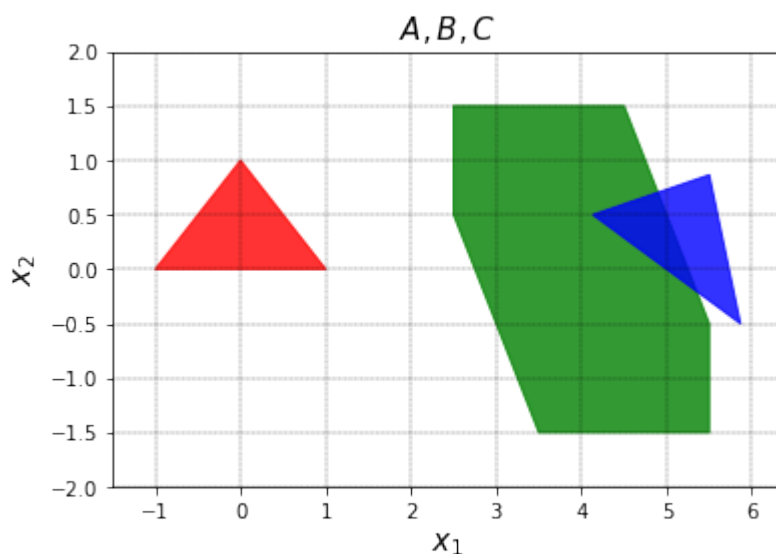
```
[5]: x=np.array([4,0]).reshape(2,1) # offset
G=np.array([[1,0,0.5],[0,0.5,-1]]).reshape(2,3)
C=pp.zonotope(x=x,G=G)
pp.visualize([C],title=r'$C$')
```



Visualization

The visualize function allows for visualizing multiple polytopic objects.

```
[6]: pp.visualize([A,C,B],title=r'$A,B,C$')
```



You may have noticed the colors. Here are the default colors for various polytopic objects. Using color argument you can change the color.

Object	Default Color
H-polytope	Red
Zonotope	Green
AH-polytope	Blue

Options

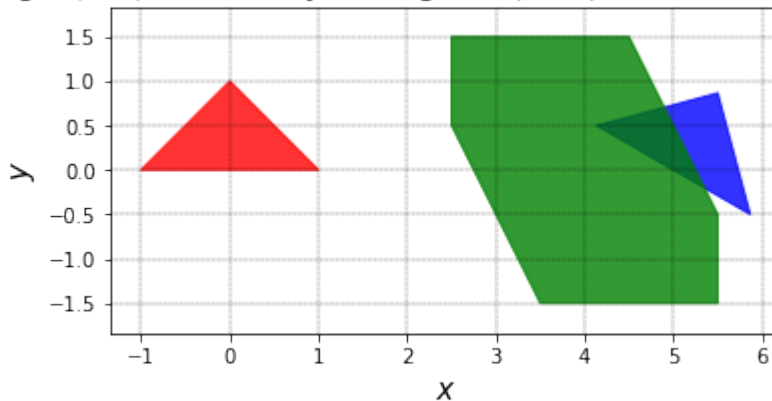
visualize has a set of options. While it only supports 2D plotting, it can take high dimensional polytopes alongside the argument `list_of_dimensions`. Its default is `[0,1]`, meaning the projection into the first and second axis is demonstrated.

You can also add a separate subplot environment to plot the polytopes. Take the following example:

```
[7]: import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
fig,ax=plt.subplots()
fig.set_size_inches(6, 3)
pp.visualize([A,B,C],ax=ax,fig=fig)
ax.set_title(r'A triangle (red), rotated by 30 degrees (blue), and a zonotope (green)',
    ↪FontSize=15)
ax.set_xlabel(r'$x$',FontSize=15)
ax.set_ylabel(r'$y$',FontSize=15)
ax.axis('equal')
```

[7]: (-1.343301270189222, 6.20932667397366, -1.65, 1.65)

A triangle (red), rotated by 30 degrees (blue), and a zonotope (green)



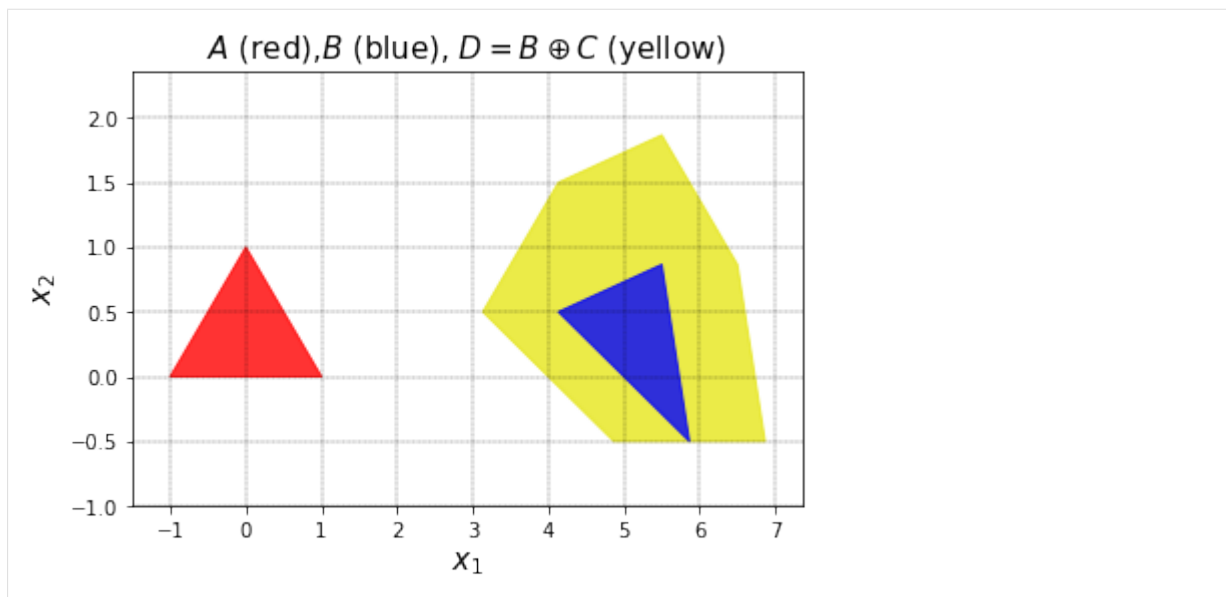
Operations

ppolycontain supports a broad range of polytopic operations. The complete list of operations is [here](https://pppolycontain.readthedocs.io/en/latest/operations.html)⁶.

Minkowski sum

```
[8]: D=pp.operations.minkowski_sum(A,B)
D.color=(0.9, 0.9, 0.1)
pp.visualize([D,A,B],title=r'$A$ (red), $B$ (blue), $D=B\oplus C$ (yellow)')
```

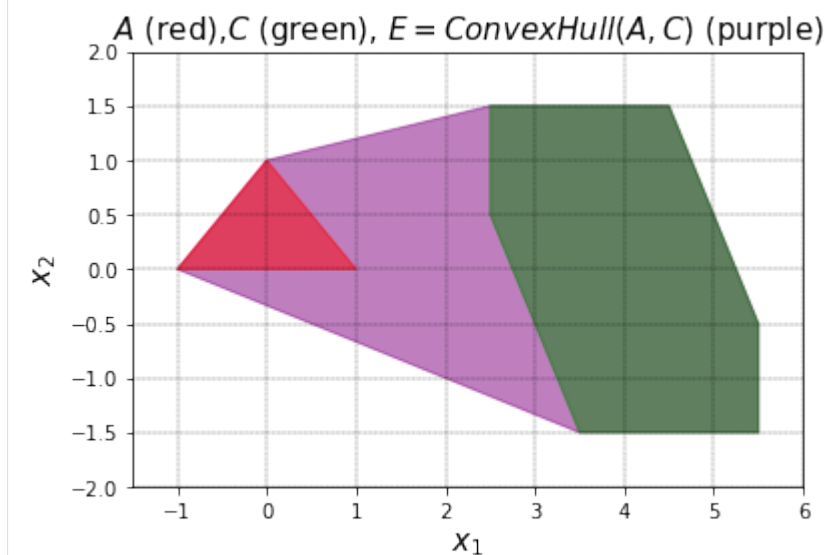
⁶ <https://pppolycontain.readthedocs.io/en/latest/operations.html>



Convex Hull

Let's take the intersection of A and C .

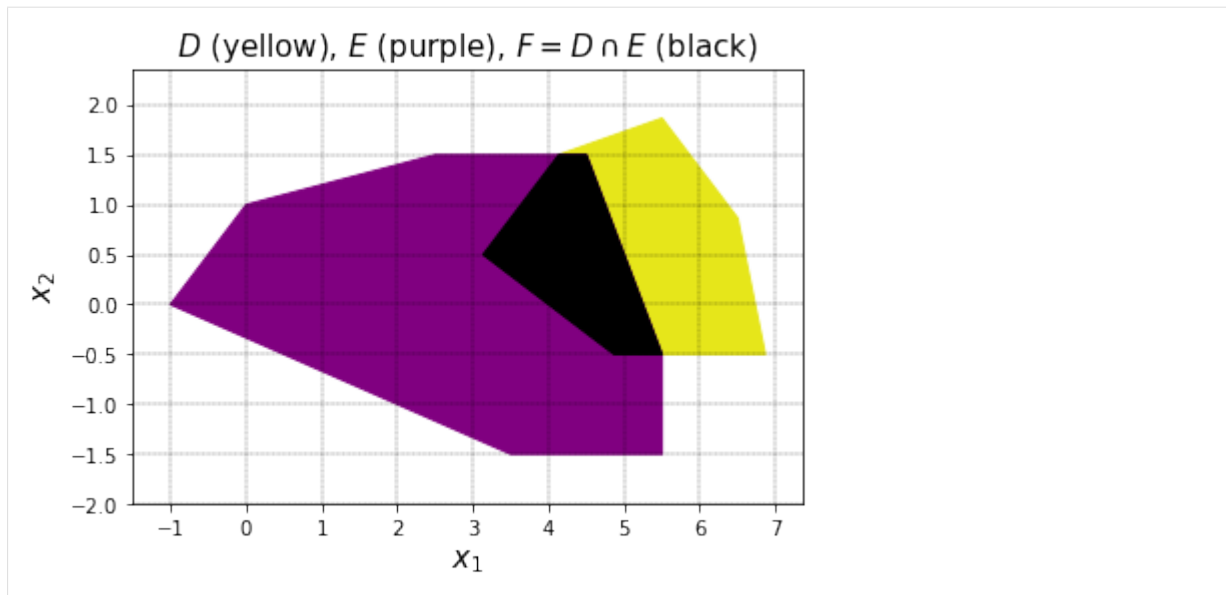
```
[9]: E=pp.convex_hull(A,C)
E.color='purple'
pp.visualize([E,A,C],alpha=0.5,title=r'$A$ (red),$C$ (green), $E=\{ConvexHull\}(A,C)$',
→(purple)')
```



Intersection

Let's take the intersection of B and D .

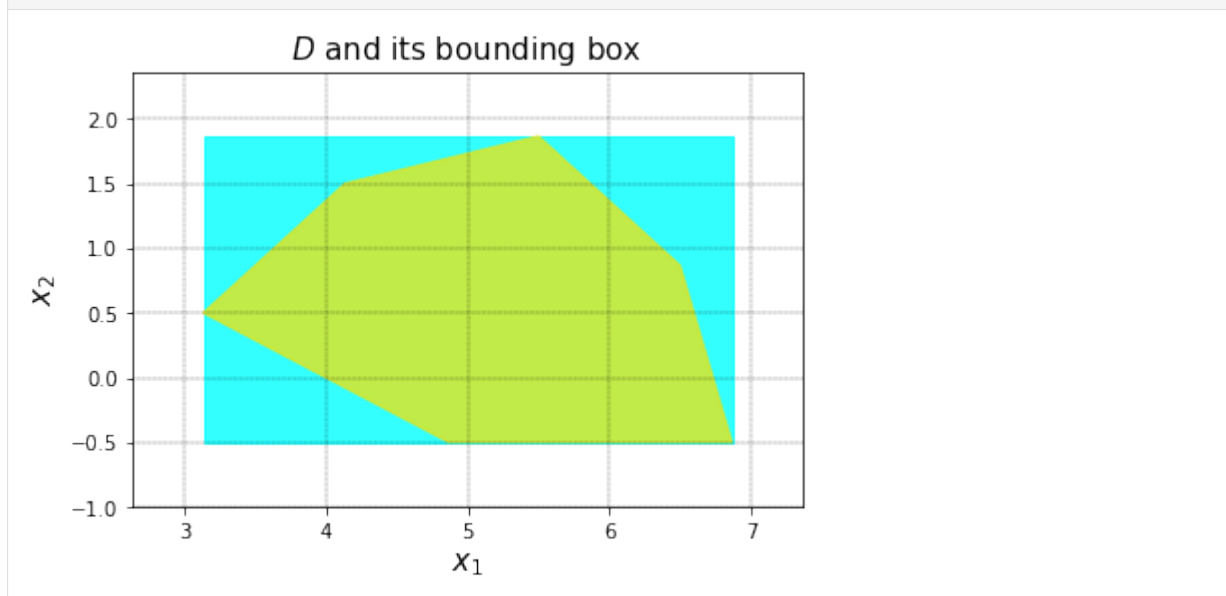
```
[10]: F=pp.intersection(D,E)
F.color='black'
pp.visualize([D,E,F],alpha=1,title=r'$D$ (yellow), $E$ (purple), $F=D \cap E$ (black)')
```



Bounding Box

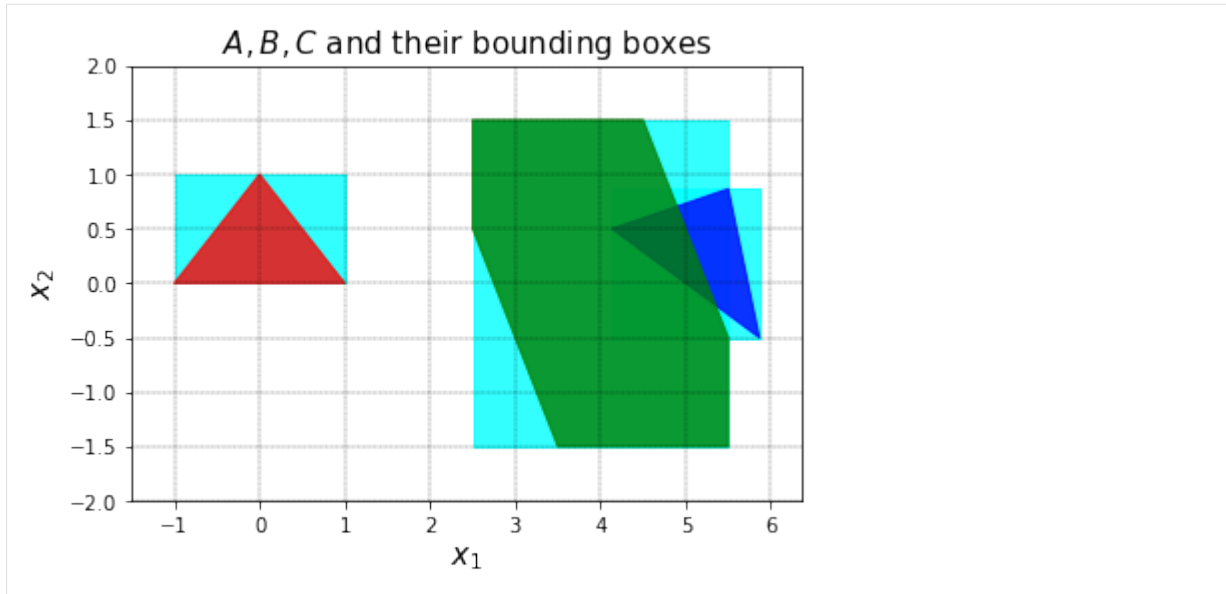
We can compute the bounding box of a polytopetic object. For instance, let's compute the bounding box of D .

```
[11]: G=pp.bounding_box(D)
      pp.visualize([G,D],title=r'$D$ and its bounding box')
```



Or the following:

```
[12]: mylist=[A,B,C]
      pp.visualize([pp.bounding_box(p) for p in mylist]+mylist,title=r'$A,B,C$ and their_
      ↪ bounding boxes')
```



2.1.2 Objects

pypolycontain has the following polytopic objects.

H-polytope

class pypolycontain.objects.**H_polytope**(*H, h, symbolic=False, color='red'*)
 An H-polytope is a set defined as follows:

$$\mathbb{P} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | Hx \leq h\},$$

where

Attributes:

- $H \in \mathbb{R}^{q \times n}$: *numpy.ndarray*[float][[*q,n*]]
- $h \in \mathbb{R}^q$: *numpy.ndarray*[float][[*q,1*]]

define the hyperplanes. The inequality is interpreted element-wise and *q* is the number of hyperplanes.

V-polytope

class pypolycontain.objects.**V_polytope**(*list_of_vertices*)
 V-polytopes are a convex hull of vertices.

$$\mathbb{V} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n | x = \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i v_i, \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i = 1, \lambda_i \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, N\}$$

where each $v_i, i = 1, \dots, N$ is a point (some or all are effectively vertices).

Attributes:

- *list_of_vertices*= *list of numpy.ndarray*[float][*n,1*]].

AH-polytope

`class pypolycontain.objects.AH_polytope(t, T, P, color='blue')`

An AH_polytope is an affine transformation of an H-polytope and is defined as:

$$Q = \{t + Tx | x \in \mathbb{R}^p, Hx \leq h\}$$

Attributes:

- P: The underlying H-polytope $P : \{x \in \mathbb{R}^p | Hx \leq h\}$
- T: $\mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ matrix: linear transformation
- t: \mathbb{R}^n vector: translation

Zonotope

`class pypolycontain.objects.zonotope(G, x=None, name=None, color='green')`

A Zonotope is a set defined as follows:

$$Z = \langle x, G \rangle = \{x + Gp | p \in [-1, 1]^q\},$$

where

Attributes:

- $G \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times q}$: `numpy.ndarray[float[[n,q]]]` is the zonotope generator.
- $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$: `numpy.ndarray[float[[n,1]]]` is the zonotope centroid. Default is zero vector.

The order of the zonotope is defined as $\frac{q}{n}$.

`pypolycontain.objects.zonotope.volume(self)`

Computes the volume of the zonotope in dimensions. The formula is based on the paper in [Gover2002]

Unitbox

`class pypolycontain.objects.unitbox(N)`

A unitbox in \mathbb{R}^n is $[-1, 1]^n$.

2.1.3 Operations

`pypolycontain.operations.AH_polytope_vertices(P, N=200, epsilon=0.001, solver='Gurobi')`

Returns N*2 matrix of vertices

`pypolycontain.operations.AddMatrixInequalityConstraint_classical(mathematical_program, A, X, B)`

`pypolycontain.operations.Hausdorff_distance(Q1, Q2, ball='infinty_norm', solver='gurobi')`

`pypolycontain.operations.Lambda_H_Gamma(mathematical_program, Lambda, H_1, H_2, Gamma)`

Lambda H_1 = H_2 Gamma

`pypolycontain.operations.Lambda_h_Inequality(mathematical_program, Lambda, beta, H, h_1, h_2)`

Adds Lambda H-1 le h_2 + H beta to the Mathematical Program

`pypolycontain.operations.Lambda_h_Inequality_D`(*mathematical_program, Lambda, beta, H, h_1, h_2, D*)

Adds $\Lambda H - 1 \leq h_2 D + H \beta$ to the Mathematical Program

`pypolycontain.operations.affine_map`(*T, P, t=None*)

Returns the affine map of a polytope.

`pypolycontain.operations.bounding_box`(*Q, solver='Gurobi'*)

Computes the bounding box of a polytope by solving $2n$ linear programs. Each linear program is in the form:

$$l_i = \min_{\text{subject to } x \in \mathbb{P}} e_i^T x$$

and

$$u_i = \max_{\text{subject to } x \in \mathbb{P}} e_i^T x$$

where l, u define the lower and upper corners of the bounding box.

`pypolycontain.operations.boxing_order_reduction`(*zonotope, desired_order=1*)

boxing method for zonotope order reduction inputs: input zonotope , order of the output zonotope output: zonotope

Based on Kopetzki, Anna-Kathrin, Bastian Schürmann, and Matthias Althoff. "Methods for order reduction of zonotopes." 2017 IEEE 56th Annual Conference on Decision and Control (CDC). IEEE, 2017.

`pypolycontain.operations.check_non_empty`(*Q, tol=1e-05, solver='gurobi'*)

`pypolycontain.operations.check_subset`(*P1, P2, k=-1*)

Checks if $P_1 \subseteq P_2$ Inputs:

`pypolycontain.operations.convex_hull`(*P1, P2*)

Inputs: P_1, P_2 : AH-polytopes

Output: returns $\text{ext}\{\text{ConvexHull}(\mathbb{P}_1, \mathbb{P}_2)\}$ as an AH-polytope

`pypolycontain.operations.convex_hull_of_point_and_polytope`(*x, Q*)

Inputs: x : numpy $n \times 1$ array Q : AH-polytope in \mathbb{R}^n

Returns: AH-polytope representing $\text{conv}(x, Q)$

$$\text{conv}(x, Q) := \{y | y = \lambda q + (1 - \lambda)x, q \in Q\}.$$

`pypolycontain.operations.decompose`(*zonotope, dimensions*)

@author: kasra Decomposing a given set into bunch of fewer dimensional sets such that the Cartesian product of those sets is a subset of the given set.

`pypolycontain.operations.directed_Hausdorff_distance`(*Q1, Q2, ball='infinty_norm', solver='gurobi'*)

The optimization problem is: Minimize ϵ such that $Q_1 \subseteq Q_2 + \epsilon \text{Ball}$

It is zero if and only if $Q_1 \subseteq Q_2$. The method is based on

Sadraddini&Tedrake, 2019, CDC (available on ArXiv)

We solve the following problem: $D^* \text{ball} + Q_1 \subseteq Q_2$

We solve the following linear program: ..math:

```

\min      D
s.t.      Lambda_1 H_1=H_2 Gamma_1
          Lambda_2 H_1=H_ball Gamma_2
          Lambda_1 h_1<=h_2 + H_2 beta_1
          Lambda_2 h_2<=D h_ball + H_ball beta_2
          x_2 - X_2 beta_1 - beta_2 = x_1
          X_2 Gamma_1 + Gamma_2 = X_1

```

`pypolycontain.operations.directed_Hausdorff_hyperbox(b1, b2)`

The directed Hausdorff hyperbox min epsilon such that b_1 in $b_2 + \epsilon$

`pypolycontain.operations.distance_hyperbox(b1, b2)`

The distance between boxes

`pypolycontain.operations.distance_point_polytope(P, x, ball='infinity', solver='Gurobi')`

Computes the distance of point x from AH-polytope Q

`pypolycontain.operations.distance_polytopes(Q1, Q2, ball='infinity', solver='gurobi')`

`pypolycontain.operations.get_nonzero_cost_vectors(cost)`

`pypolycontain.operations.intersection(P1, P2)`

Inputs: P_1, P_2 : polytopic objects

Output: returns $P_1 \cap P_2$ as an AH-polytope

If both objects are H-polytopes, return H-polytope

`pypolycontain.operations.intersection_old(P1, P2)`

Inputs: P_1, P_2 : AH-polytopes P_1, P_2 . Converted to AH-polytopes

Output: returns $P_1 \cap P_2$ as an AH-polytope

`pypolycontain.operations.make_ball(n, norm)`

`pypolycontain.operations.minkowski_sum(P1, P2)`

Inputs: P_1, P_2 : AH-polytopes

Returns: returns the Minkowski sum $P_1 \oplus P_2$ as an AH-polytope.

Background: The Minkowski sum of two sets is defined as:

$$A \oplus B = \{a + b \mid a \in A, b \in B\}.$$

`pypolycontain.operations.pca_order_reduction(zonotope, desired_order=1)`

PCA method for zonotope order reduction inputs: input zonotope, order of the output zonotope
output: zonotope

Based on Kopetzki, Anna-Kathrin, Bastian Schürmann, and Matthias Althoff. "Methods for order reduction of zonotopes." 2017 IEEE 56th Annual Conference on Decision and Control (CDC). IEEE, 2017.

`pypolycontain.operations.point_membership(Q, x, tol=1e-05, solver='gurobi')`

`pypolycontain.operations.point_membership_fuzzy(Q, x, tol=1e-05, solver='gurobi')`

Fuzzy membership check. If x contains NaN, the entry is unconstrained @param Q : Polytope in \mathbb{R}^n @param x : $n \times 1$ numpy array, may contain NaNs @param tol : @param $solver$: solver to use
@return: boolean of whether x is in Q

`pypolycontain.operations.positive_matrix(mathematical_program, Lambda)`

All elements are non-negative

`pypolycontain.operations.sorting_generator(G, desired_numberofcolumns)`

The goal is deviding the generator into to parts. One part that is used for zonotope order reduction methods. And the other part which is used to enforce the reduced zonotope to have the desire order.

`pypolycontain.operations.translate(t, P)`

Shifts the polytope by t vector

2.1.4 Conversions

`pypolycontain.conversions.AH_to_H_old(Q, Po, solver='Gurobi')`

Converting Q to an H-polytope using an optimization-based method

WARNING: To be deprecated

`pypolycontain.conversions.AH_to_V(P, N=360, epsilon=0.001, solver='Gurobi')`

Returns the V-polytope form of a 2D pp.AH_polytope. The method is based on ray shooting.

Inputs:

- P: AH-polytope
- N default=360: number of rays
- solver: default=Gurobi. The linear-programming optimization solver.

Returns:

- V: matrix

Note: This method only works for 2D AH-polytopes and its for visualization. For generic use, first use H-V on \mathbb{P} and then apply affine transformation. Note that H-V uses elimination-based vertex enumeration method that is not scalable.

`pypolycontain.conversions.H_to_V(P)`

Returns the vertices of an H_polytope.

Inputs:

- P: H_polytope in \mathbb{R}^n

Output:

- V: list of vertices. Each vertex is `numpy.ndarray[float[n,1]]`

Method: The method is based on double description method, and is using pycddlib.

Warning: This method can be very slow or numerically unstable for polytopes in high dimensions and/or large number of hyperplanes

`pypolycontain.conversions.to_AH_polytope(P)`

Converts the polytopic object P into an AH-polytope. If applied on a AH-polytope, a deepcopy is returned

`pypolycontain.conversions.to_V(P, N=500)`

returns the vertices of the polytopic object P in a vertical stack form.

`pypolycontain.conversions.vcube(n)`

$2^n \times n$ array of vectors of vertices in unit cube in \mathbb{R}

`pypolycontain.conversions.zonotope_to_V(Z)`
Finds the vertices of a zonotope

2.1.5 Visualization

Important: We only support 2D visualization.

`pypolycontain.visualize.visualize(list_of_objects, fig=None, ax=None, a=0.5, alpha=0.8, tuple_of_projection_dimensions=[0, 1], title='pypolycontain visualization', show_vertices=False, FontSize=15, equal_axis=False, grid=True, N_points=1000)`

Visualization.

inputs:

- `list_of_objects`:
- `fig`:
- `tuple_of_projection_dimensions`:
-

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4 Main Developer

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References

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⁷ <http://www.sadraddini.com/>

⁸ <https://github.com/wualbert/>

⁹ <https://github.com/Kasraghasemi>

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