

## A THEOREM OF PIECEWISE LINEAR APPROXIMATIONS II.

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§ 1. We showed in [1] a piecewise linear approximation theorem but there was an error in the proof. We shall correct it and prove the following Theorem.

**Theorem** *Let  $f: P \rightarrow Q$  be a piecewise linear mapping of a compact polyhedron  $P$  onto a compact polyhedron  $Q$  and  $g: P \rightarrow E^n$  a piecewise linear mapping of  $P$  into a euclidean  $n$ -space  $E^n$  such that*

$$n > \dim Q + 2 \max_{q \in Q} \dim f^{-1}(q).$$

*Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a non-degenerate piecewise linear map  $h: P \rightarrow E^n$  such that*

- a)  $d(h, g) < \varepsilon$
- b)  $h|_{f^{-1}(q)}$  is a homeomorphism for any  $q \in Q$
- c) if  $q_1 \neq q_2 \in Q$  and  $h(f^{-1}(q_1)) \cap h(f^{-1}(q_2)) \neq \emptyset$  then there are polyhedral cells  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  of  $P$  satisfying  $C_1 \subset f^{-1}(q_1)$ ,  $C_2 \subset f^{-1}(q_2)$  and

$$h(C_1) = h(C_2) = h(f^{-1}(q_1)) \cap h(f^{-1}(q_2)).$$

We shall assume that all polyhedra and complexes are contained in a euclidean space  $E^l$ . Let  $K$  be a finite complex and  $g: |K| \rightarrow E^n$  be a continuous map of underlying space  $|K|$  into  $E^n$  such that for any simplex  $\xi \in K$ ,  $g|_{\xi} \rightarrow E^n$  is linear. Then we shall say  $g: K \rightarrow E^n$  is a *semi-simplicial* (or SS) map. It is clear that if  $g: K \rightarrow E^n$  is semi-simplicial  $g: |K| \rightarrow E^n$  is *piecewise linear* (or PL). Throughout this paper we shall assume that  $f: K \rightarrow H$  is a simplicial map of a finite complex  $K$  onto a finite complex  $H$  such that

$$n > \dim H + 2 \max_{q \in |H|} \dim f^{-1}(q)$$

and  $g: K \rightarrow E^n$  is a semi-simplicial map of  $K$  into a euclidean  $n$ -space  $E^n$ .

If  $\xi \in K$  and  $\eta \in H$  such that  $f(\xi) = \eta$ . We denote  $\xi = [a_{v_i}]$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, m(v, \xi)$  and  $\eta = [v]$ , where

$a_{v_i}$ ,  $v$  are vertices of  $\xi$  and  $\eta$  respectively,

$$f(a_{v_i}) = v,$$

$$m(v, \xi) = \dim(f^{-1}(v) \cap \xi).$$

Since  $f|_{\xi} \rightarrow \eta$  is linear. It is easy to show the following;

**Proposition 1.** For any point  $q$  of the interior  $\overset{\circ}{\eta}$  of  $\eta$ ,  $f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi$  is a polyhedral convex  $m$ -cell which is the intersection of  $\xi$  and a hyper plane parallel to the hyper plane spanned by the vectors  $\{a_{v_i} - a_{v_0}\} \ 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi), v \in \eta$ .

We denote the dimension  $m$  of  $f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi$  by  $d_f(\xi)$ . Since  $f|_{\xi} \rightarrow \eta$  is onto and  $q$  is an interior point. Proposition 1 implies;

**Proposition 2.**

$$d_f(\xi) = \sum_{v \in \eta} m(v, \xi) = \dim \xi - \dim \eta \leq \max_{q \in |\mathbb{H}|} \dim f^{-1}(q).$$

Under the assumption of Proposition 1, if  $h: K \rightarrow E^n$  is a non-degenerate SS-map of  $K$  into  $E^n$ ,  $h|_{\xi} \rightarrow E^n$  is a non-degenerate and linear. Therefore the following is clear;

**Proposition 1'.**  $h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi)$  is a polyhedral convex  $d_f(\xi)$ -cell which is the intersection of  $h(\xi)$  and a hyper plane parallel to the hyper plane  $\tilde{E}^{d_f(\xi)}$ . spanned by vectors

$$\{h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0}), \ 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi), \ v \in \eta.$$

A pair  $(a, b)$  is a set of two points  $a$  and  $b$  satisfying  $(a, b) = (b, a)$ .  $a$  and  $b$  are called *vertices of the pair*  $(a, b)$ . A set of pairs  $S = \{(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), \dots, (a_k, b_k)\}$  is *cyclic* if  $b_1 = a_2, b_2 = a_3, \dots, b_k = a_1$ . A finite set  $T$  of points of  $E^n$  is *in pairwise general position*, if, for any set  $S$  of pairs of points in  $T$  such that

- 1)  $S$  does not contain cyclic subset,
- 2) the number  $N(S)$  of pairs of  $S \leq n$ ,

the set of vectors  $\{b - a \mid (a, b) \in S\}$  is linearly independent.

**Proposition 3.** If  $S$  is a set of pairs of points of  $E^n$  such that

- 1)  $S$  does not contain cyclic subset,
- 2)  $N(S) \leq n$

and if  $V(S)$  is the set of vertices of pairs of  $S$ . Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a map  $h|_{V(S)} \rightarrow E^n$  such that

$$d(h, 1) < \varepsilon$$

and  $\{h(b) - h(a) \mid (a, b) \in S\}$  is linearly independent.

**Proof.** We can order  $S$  in the order  $\{(a_1, b_1), (a_2, b_2), \dots, (a_k, b_k)\}$  so that  $b_i \notin \{a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2, \dots, b_{i-1}, a_i\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . We can inductively construct  $h: V(S) \rightarrow E^n$  such that

- i)  $d(h, 1) < \varepsilon$
- ii) the vector  $h(b_i) - h(a_i)$  is not contained the vector space spanned by vectors

$$\{h(b_1) - h(a_1), \dots, h(b_{i-1}) - h(a_{i-1})\}.$$

If a finite set  $T'$  of  $E^n$  is in pairwise general position, there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that for any map  $h : T' \rightarrow E^n$ , satisfying  $d(h, 1) < \delta$ ,  $h(T')$  is in pairwise general position. Therefore by Proposition 3 it is easy to prove.

**Proposition 4.** *If  $T$  is a finite set of points of  $E^n$ . For any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a map  $h : T \rightarrow E^n$  such that*

$$d(h, 1) < \varepsilon$$

and  $h(T)$  is in pairwise general position.

Let  $\eta$  be a simplex of  $H$  and  $\xi, \xi'$  be simplexes of  $K$  such that  $f(\xi) = f(\xi') = \eta$ . Then we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \eta &= [v], \\ \xi &= [a_{v_i}], & 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi) \\ \xi' &= [a'_{v_i}], & 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi') \end{aligned}$$

where  $f(a_{v_i}) = v, f(a'_{v_i}) = v$ . Moreover we may assume that  $\xi \cap \xi' = [a'_{v_i}]$ ,

$$a'_{v_i} = a_{v_i} = a_{v_i}, \quad 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi \cap \xi')$$

$$\text{Let } A_v(\xi) = \{(a_{v_0}, a_{v_i})\} \quad 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi),$$

$$A_v(\xi') = \{(a'_{v_0}, a'_{v_i})\} \quad 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi') \quad \text{and}$$

$$A_v(\xi, \xi') = \begin{cases} A_v(\xi) \cup A_v(\xi') & \text{if } a_{v_0} = a'_{v_0}. \\ A_v(\xi) \cup (a_{v_0}, a'_{v_0}) \cup A_v(\xi') & \text{if } a_{v_0} \neq a'_{v_0}. \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $A_v(\xi, \xi')$  does not contain any cyclic subset and  $\bigvee A_v(\xi, \xi') \cap \bigvee A_{v'}(\xi, \xi') = \phi$  if  $v \neq v' \in \eta$ .

**Proposition 5.**  *$A(\xi, \xi') = \bigcup_{v \in \eta} A_v(\xi, \xi')$  has no cyclic subset and the number  $NA(\xi, \xi')$  of vertices of  $A(\xi, \xi')$  is less than or equal to  $n$ .*

**Proof.** Since  $A_v(\xi, \xi')$  has no cyclic subset.  $A(\xi, \xi')$  has no cyclic subset.

$$\begin{aligned} NA(\xi, \xi') &= \sum_{v \in \eta} NA_v(\xi, \xi') \\ &\leq \sum_{v \in \eta} (NA_v(\xi) + NA_v(\xi') + 1) \\ &= \sum_{v \in \eta} m(v, \xi) + \sum_{v \in \eta} m(v, \xi') + \dim \eta + 1 \\ &= d_f(\xi) + d_f(\xi') + \dim \eta + 1 \\ &\leq 2 \max_{q \in |H|} \dim f^{-1}(q) + \dim H + 1 \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 1.** *For any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a SS-map  $h : K \rightarrow E^n$  such that  $d(h, g) < \varepsilon$  and  $h|_{f^{-1}(q)} \rightarrow E^n$  is a homeomorphism for any  $q \in |H|$ .*

**Proof.** From Proposition 4 we can choose  $h : K \rightarrow E^n$  such that  $d(h, g) < \varepsilon$  and  $\{h(a) | a \in VK = K^0\}$  is in pairwise general position. Since we have

$$\begin{aligned} n &> \dim H + 2 \max_{q \in |H|} \dim f^{-1}(q) \\ &\geq \dim H + \max_{q \in |H|} \dim f^{-1}(q) \geq \dim K. \end{aligned}$$

$h$  is a non-degenerate map. Let  $q$  be any point of  $|H|$ . Then there is a simplex  $\eta$  of  $H$  such that  $q \in \overset{\circ}{\eta}$ .  $h|_{f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi}$  is a linear homeomorphism for any  $\xi \in K$ . Then it is sufficient to show that

$$h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi) \cap h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi') = h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi \cap \xi')$$

for any  $\xi, \xi' \in K$  such that  $f(\xi) = f(\xi') = \eta$ . Let

$$q = \sum_{v \in \eta} \mu_v v, \quad \sum_{v \in \eta} \mu_v = 1, \quad \mu_v > 0 \quad \text{and let } p \in f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi \quad \text{and } p' = f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi'.$$

Then we have the following;

$$\begin{aligned} p &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum \{ \lambda_{v_i} a_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi) \} \\ p' &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum \{ \lambda'_{v_i} a'_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi') \} \\ \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum \{ \lambda_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi) \} &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum \{ \lambda'_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi') \} = 1 \\ \lambda_{v_i} \geq 0 \quad \lambda'_{v_i} \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \\ \sum \{ \lambda_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi) \} &= \sum \{ \lambda'_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi') \} = \mu_v. \end{aligned}$$

Put  $r = \sum_{v \in \eta} \mu_v a_{v_0}$  and  $r' = \sum_{v \in \eta} \mu_v a'_{v_0}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} h(p) - h(r) &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum \{ \lambda_{v_i} (h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0})) \mid 1 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi) \} \\ h(p') - h(r') &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum \{ \lambda'_{v_i} (h(a'_{v_i}) - h(a'_{v_0})) \mid 1 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi') \} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore if  $h(p) = h(p')$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= h(p') - h(p) = (h(p') - h(r')) - (h(p) - h(r)) + (h(r') - h(r)) \\ &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \left( \sum_i \lambda_{v_i} (h(a'_{v_i}) - h(a'_{v_0})) - \sum_i \lambda_{v_i} (h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0})) + \mu_v (h(a'_{v_0}) - h(a_{v_0})) \right) \end{aligned}$$

By Proposition 5 the set of vectors  $\{h(b) - h(a) \mid (b, a) \in A(\xi, \xi')\}$  is linearly independent. Therefore  $h(p') - h(r') = h(p) - h(r) = h(r') - h(r) = 0$ . and consequently  $h(p) = h(r) = h(r') = h(p')$ . Furthermore  $h|_{\xi}, h|_{\xi \cap \xi'}, h|_{\xi'}$  are one-to-one, then  $p = r = r' = p'$ . Thus  $h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi) \cap h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi') = h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi \cap \xi')$  and we have proved Lemma 1.

We denote the origin of  $E^n$  by  $o$ .

**Proposition 6.** *If  $h : K \rightarrow E^n$  is an SS-map such that  $o \cup h(VK)$  is in pairwise general position. Then for any simplexes  $\xi, \xi'$  of  $K$  and any point  $q$  of  $f(\xi)$  such that  $h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi) \cap h(\xi') \neq \emptyset$ , there is one and only one  $q'$  of  $f(\xi')$  such that*

$$h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi) \cap h(\xi') = h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi) \cap h(f^{-1}(q') \cap \xi')$$

and  $h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi) \cap h(\xi')$  is a polyhedral convex cell of dimension  $\leq d_f(\xi \cap \xi')$ ,

**Proof.** Let  $f(\xi) = \eta = [v]$ ,  $f(\xi') = \eta' = [v']$ ,  $\xi = [a_{v_i}]$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi)$ ,  $\xi' = [a'_{v'_i}]$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq m(v', \xi')$ ,  $\xi \cap \xi' = [a''_{v''_i}]$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq m(v'', \xi \cap \xi')$  where

$$f(a_{v_i}) = v, \quad f(a'_{v'_i}) = v', \quad f(a''_{v''_i}) = v''$$

$$a''_{v''_i} = a_{v_i} = a'_{v'_i} \quad \text{for } v'' = v = v' \quad 0 \leq i \leq m(v'', \xi \cap \xi').$$

If  $q = \sum_{v \in \eta} \mu_v v$ ,  $\sum_{v \in \eta} \mu_v = 1$ ,  $\mu_v \geq 0$  and  $p, \tilde{p}$  are points of  $f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi$  and  $p', \tilde{p}'$  are points of  $\xi'$  such that

$$h(p) = h(p'), \quad h(\tilde{p}) = h(\tilde{p}').$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} p &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum_i \lambda_{v_i} a_{v_i}, \quad \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum_i \lambda_{v_i} = 1, \quad \lambda_{v_i} \geq 0 \\ \tilde{p} &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum_i \tilde{\lambda}_{v_i} a_{v_i}, \quad \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum_i \tilde{\lambda}_{v_i} = 1, \quad \tilde{\lambda}_{v_i} \geq 0 \\ p' &= \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \sum_i \lambda'_{v'_i} a_{v'_i}, \quad \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \sum_i \lambda'_{v'_i} = 1, \quad \lambda'_{v'_i} \geq 0 \\ \tilde{p}' &= \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \sum_i \tilde{\lambda}'_{v'_i} a_{v'_i}, \quad \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \sum_i \tilde{\lambda}'_{v'_i} = 1, \quad \tilde{\lambda}'_{v'_i} \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\sum_{0 \leq i} \lambda_{v_i} = \mu_v = \sum_{0 \leq i} \tilde{\lambda}_{v_i}$ ,  $v \in \eta$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} p &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \mu_v a_{v_0} + \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum_{1 \leq i} \lambda_{v_i} (a_{v_i} - a_{v_0}) \\ \tilde{p} &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \mu_v a_{v_0} + \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum_{1 \leq i} \tilde{\lambda}_{v_i} (a_{v_i} - a_{v_0}) \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mu'_{v'} = \sum_{0 \leq i} \lambda'_{v'_i}$ ,  $\tilde{\mu}'_{v'} = \sum_{0 \leq i} \tilde{\lambda}'_{v'_i}$ ,  $v' \in \eta'$ .

Then  $p' = \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \mu'_{v'} a'_{v'_0} + \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \sum_{1 \leq i} \lambda'_{v'_i} (a'_{v'_i} - a'_{v'_0})$

$$\tilde{p}' = \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \tilde{\mu}'_{v'} a'_{v'_0} + \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \sum_{1 \leq i} \tilde{\lambda}'_{v'_i} (a'_{v'_i} - a'_{v'_0}).$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} h(\tilde{p}) - h(p) &= \sum_{v \in \eta} \sum_{1 \leq i} (\tilde{\lambda}_{v_i} - \lambda_{v_i}) (h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0})) \\ h(\tilde{p}') - h(p') &= \sum_{v' \in \eta'} (\tilde{\mu}'_{v'} - \mu'_{v'}) h(a'_{v'_0}) \\ &\quad + \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \sum_{1 \leq i} (\tilde{\lambda}'_{v'_i} - \lambda'_{v'_i}) (h(a'_{v'_i}) - h(a'_{v'_0})). \end{aligned}$$

The set of pairs  $\Delta = \{(h(a_{v_0}), h(a_{v_i}))\} \cup \{(h(a'_{v'_0}), h(a'_{v'_i}))\} \cup \{0, h(a'_{v'_0})\}$  has no cyclic subset and moreover

$$\begin{aligned} N\Delta &= \sum_{v \in \eta} m(v, \xi) + \sum_{v' \in \eta'} m(v', \xi') + \dim \eta' + 1 \\ &\leq 2 \max_{q \in |H|} \dim f^{-1}(q) + \dim H + 1 \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Then the set of vectors  $\{h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0})\} \cup \{h(a'_{v'_i}) - h(a'_{v'_0})\} \cup \{h(a'_{v'_0})\}$  is linearly independent. Hence by the conditions  $h(p) = h(p')$  and  $h(\tilde{p}) = h(\tilde{p}')$  we have formulas

$$\begin{aligned} \mu'_{v'} &= \tilde{\mu}'_{v'}, \quad v' \in \eta', \\ \tilde{\lambda}_{v_i} - \lambda_{v_i} &= \tilde{\lambda}'_{v'_i} - \lambda'_{v'_i} \quad \text{if } v'' = v = v' \quad 0 \leq i \leq m(v'', \xi \cap \xi'), \end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{\lambda}_{v_i} - \lambda_{v_i} = 0 \quad \tilde{\lambda}'_{v'_i} - \lambda'_{v'_i} = 0 \quad \text{if otherwise.}$$

Let  $q' = \sum_{v' \in \eta'} \mu'_{v'} v'$ . Then it is clear that

$$h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi) \cap h(\xi') = h(f^{-1}(q) \cap \xi) \cap h(f^{-1}(q') \cap \xi').$$

and this is a polyhedral convex cell in a hyper plane parallel to  $E^{d_f(\xi \cap \xi')}$  spanned by vectors  $\{h(a''_{v''_i}) - h(a''_{v''_0})\} v'' \in \xi \cap \xi', 1 \leq i \leq m(v'', \xi \cap \xi')$ . We have proved Proposition 6.

§ 2. Let  $\xi$  be any simplex and  $v$  be any vertex of  $H$ . Then we denote the simplex  $f^{-1}(v) \cap \xi$  by  $\xi_v$ . Let  $\xi$  and  $\xi'$  be any simplex of  $K$  such that  $f(\xi) = f(\xi')$ . Then we denote the number  $NV(\xi_v \cap \xi'_v)$  of vertices  $V(\xi_v \cap \xi'_v)$  by  $\alpha_v(\xi, \xi')$  and  $\sum_{v \in V_H} \alpha_v(\xi, \xi')$  by  $\alpha(\xi, \xi')$ . If  $\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2$  are simplexes of  $K$  such that  $\eta_i = f(\xi_i) = f(\xi'_i), i=1, 2$ , we denote  $\alpha_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) + \alpha_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  by  $\alpha_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  and  $\sum_{v \in V_H} \alpha_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  by  $\alpha(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$ . We define the number  $\beta_v = \beta_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  by the following formulas;

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_v &= 0, & \text{if } (\xi_{1v} \cup \xi'_{1v}) \cap (\xi_{2v} \cup \xi'_{2v}) &= \phi \\ \beta_v &= NV((\xi_{1v} \cup \xi'_{1v}) \cap (\xi_{2v} \cup \xi'_{2v})) - 1 & \text{if } (\xi_{1v} \cup \xi'_{1v}) \cap (\xi_{2v} \cup \xi'_{2v}) \neq \phi. \end{aligned}$$

Put  $\beta(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) = \sum_{v \in V_H} \beta_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$ .

Let

$$\begin{aligned} \xi_{1v} &= [a_{vj}], & 0 \leq j \leq m(v, \xi_1), \\ \xi'_{1v} &= [a'_{vj}], & 0 \leq j \leq m(v, \xi'_1) \\ \xi_{2v} &= [b_{vj}], & 0 \leq j \leq m(v, \xi_2) \\ \xi'_{2v} &= [b'_{vj}], & 0 \leq j \leq m(v, \xi'_2) \\ \xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{1v} &= [a''_{vj}], & 0 \leq j \leq \alpha_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - 1 \\ \xi_{2v} \cap \xi'_{2v} &= [b''_{vj}], & 0 \leq j \leq \alpha_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2) - 1, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a''_{vj} &= a_{vj} = a'_{vj}, & 0 \leq j \leq \alpha_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - 1 \\ b''_{vj} &= b_{vj} = b'_{vj}, & 0 \leq j \leq \alpha_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2) - 1. \end{aligned}$$

A vertex  $v$  of  $\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2$  is *free* if it is contained in only one of  $\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2$ . A pair  $x$  of  $A(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  and  $A(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  is *free* if at least one vertex of  $x$  is free. Hereafter we shall assume that  $a_{v_0}$  (similarly  $a'_{v_0}, b_{v_0}, b'_{v_0}$ ) is *free if and only if all vertices of  $\xi_{1v}$  ( $\xi'_{1v}, \xi_{2v}, \xi'_{2v}$  respectively) are free*. A pair  $x$  is *linearly dependent on a set  $\Gamma$*  of pairs if  $x \cup \Gamma$  is cyclic.

**Proposition 7.**  $NA(\xi_i, \xi'_i) \leq n - \alpha(\xi_i, \xi'_i), i=1, 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $NA(\xi_i, \xi'_i)$  is the number of pairs of  $A(\xi_i, \xi'_i), i=1, 2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} NA(\xi_i, \xi'_i) &= \sum_{v \in \eta_i} NA_v(\xi_i, \xi'_i) \\ &= \sum_{v \in \eta_i} (\dim \xi_{iv} + \dim \xi'_{iv} - \dim(\xi_{iv} \cap \xi'_{iv})) \\ &= \sum_{v \in \eta_i} (\dim \xi_{iv} + \dim \xi'_{iv} - \alpha_v(\xi_i, \xi'_i) + 1) \\ &= d_f(\xi_i) + d_f(\xi'_i) - \alpha(\xi_i, \xi'_i) + \dim \eta_i + 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq 2 \max_{q \in |H|} \dim f^{-1}(q) + \dim H + 1 - \alpha(\xi_i, \xi'_i) \leq n - \alpha(\xi_i, \xi'_i).$$

**Proposition 8.** *There are non-free pairs  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{\beta_v}$  of  $A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  such that  $(A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1 \cup x_2 \cup \dots \cup x_{\beta_v}) \cup A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  has no cyclic subset and any  $x_i, i=1, 2, \dots, \beta_v$ , is linearly dependent on non-free pairs of  $A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) \cup A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$*

**Proof.** In the case that  $\beta_v=0$ .  $A_v(\xi_i, \xi'_i), i=1, 2$ , has no cyclic subset and  $A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  and  $A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  have at most one common vertex. Then  $A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) \cup A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  has no cyclic subset. In the case that  $\beta_v=1$  let  $a \cup a' = VA_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) \cap VA_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  ( $a \neq a'$ ). 1) If  $a \cup a' = a_{v_0} \cup a'_{v_0}$ , put  $x_1 = (a_{v_0}, a'_{v_0})$ . 2) If  $a \cup a' \neq a_{v_0} \cup a'_{v_0}$ . We can assume without loss of generality that  $a = a_{v_i} (i \neq 0)$ . Let  $x_1 = (a_{v_0}, a_{v_i})$ . From the condition that if  $a_{v_0}$  is free all vertices of  $\xi_{1v}$  are free,  $x_1$  is not free and  $a \cup a' = a_{v_0} \cup a_{v_i}$ . Then there is a cycle consisting of  $x_1$  and non-free pairs of  $A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) \cup A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$ . In the case that  $\beta_v \geq 2$  there is a common vertex  $a$  of  $A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  and  $A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  such that  $a \neq a_{v_0}, a'_{v_0}$ . Suppose  $a = a_{v_i} (i \neq 0)$  and put  $x_1 = (a_{v_0}, a_{v_i})$ . Then the number  $NV(A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1 \cap A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2))$  of common vertices of  $A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1$  and  $A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  is  $\beta_v - 1$ . Inductively we can choose  $x_2, \dots, x_{\beta_v-1}$  as similarly as  $x_1$  in 2) and choose  $x_{\beta_v}$  as similarly as  $x_1$  in 1). We have proved Proposition 8.

Let  $\tilde{A}_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) = (A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1 \cup \dots \cup x_{\beta_v}) \cup A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  and  $\bar{A}(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) = \bigcup_{v \in V^H} \tilde{A}_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$ , where if  $v \notin \eta_1$   $A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1 \cup \dots \cup x_{\beta_v} = \phi$  and if  $v \notin \eta_2$   $A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2) = \phi$ . Then Proposition 7 and Proposition 8 implies the following ;

**Proposition 9.**  $N\bar{A}(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) \leq 2n - \alpha(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) - \beta(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$ .

If  $h : K \rightarrow E^n$  is an SS-map and  $p_1, p'_1, p_2, p'_2$  are points in  $\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2$  respectively such that

$$\begin{aligned} f(p_1) &= f(p'_1) = q_1 = \sum_{v \in \eta_1} \lambda_v v \\ f(p_2) &= f(p'_2) = q_2 = \sum_{v \in \eta_2} \mu_v v \\ h(p_1) &= h(p_2), h(p'_1) = h(p'_2). \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$p_1 = \sum_{v \in \eta_1} \sum \{ \lambda_{v_i} a_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi_1) \} \tag{1}$$

$$p'_1 = \sum_{v \in \eta_1} \sum \{ \lambda'_{v_i} a'_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v_1, \xi'_1) \} \tag{1'}$$

$$p_2 = \sum_{v \in \eta_2} \sum \{ \mu_{v_i} b_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi_2) \} \tag{2}$$

$$p'_2 = \sum_{v \in \eta_2} \sum \{ \mu'_{v_i} b'_{v_i} \mid 0 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi'_2) \} \tag{2'}$$

Then from  $h(p_1) = h(p_2)$  and  $h(p'_1) = h(p'_2)$  we have.

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{v \in \gamma_1} (\lambda_v h(a_{v_0}) + \sum_{1 \leq i} \lambda_{v_i} (h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0}))) \\ = & \sum_{v \in \gamma_2} (\mu_v h(b_{v_0}) + \sum_{1 \leq i} \mu_{v_i} (h(b_{v_i}) - h(b_{v_0}))) \end{aligned} \quad (1'')$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{v \in \gamma_1} (\lambda_v h(a'_{v_0}) + \sum_{1 \leq i} \lambda'_{v_i} (h(a'_{v_i}) - h(a'_{v_0}))) \\ = & \sum_{v \in \gamma_1} (\mu_v h(b'_{v_0}) + \sum_{1 \leq i} \mu'_{v_i} (h(b'_{v_i}) - h(b'_{v_0}))) \end{aligned} \quad (2'')$$

By (1'')-(2'') we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{v \in \gamma_2} (\lambda_v (h(a_{v_0}) - h(a'_{v_0})) + \sum_{1 \leq i} \lambda_{v_i} (h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0})) - \sum_{1 \leq i} \lambda'_{v_i} (h(a'_{v_i}) - h(a'_{v_0}))) \\ = & \sum_{v \in \gamma_2} (\mu_v (h(b_{v_0}) - h(b'_{v_0})) + \sum_{1 \leq i} \mu_{v_i} (h(b_{v_i}) - h(b_{v_0})) - \sum_{1 \leq i} \mu'_{v_i} (h(b'_{v_i}) - h(b'_{v_0}))). \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

**Lemma 2.** *If  $h: K \rightarrow E^n$  is in pairwise general position and  $\alpha(\xi_1, \xi_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2) + \beta(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2) \geq n$ . Then the coefficients of free vertices in (1), (1'), (2), (2') are 0.*

**Proof.** By Proposition 9

$$NA(\xi_1, \xi_2; \xi'_1, \xi'_2) \leq 2n - \alpha(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2) - \beta(\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2) \leq n.$$

Then the vectors in (3) corresponding to  $\tilde{A}(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  are linearly independent and any vector in (3) corresponding to  $\cup_{v \in V_H} \{x_1, \dots, x_{2v}\}$  is linearly dependent on vectors corresponding to non-free pairs of  $\tilde{A}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) \cup \tilde{A}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$ . Therefore the coefficients of free vertices in (1), (1'), (2), (2') are 0. We have proved Lemma 2.

§ 3 Let  $a = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \end{pmatrix}$  and  $b = \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$  be  $n$ -dimensional vectors. Then the  $2n$ -dimensional

vector  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_n \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_n \end{pmatrix}$  is called a vector of type 0) with top vector  $a$  and bottom vector  $b$ .

If  $a=b$ ,  $b=0$ ,  $a=0$ , we say that the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$  has type 1), type 2), type 2') respectively.

A pair of vectors,  $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ a \end{pmatrix} \right\}$  is called a pair of type 3).

**Proposition 10.** *If  $A = (a_{ij})$  is a  $(2n, r)$  matrix, which consists of  $N(i)$  vectors of type  $i$ ,  $i=0, 1, 2, 2'$ , and  $N(3)$  pairs of type 3) such that*

$$N(0) + N(1) + N(2) + N(2') + 2N(3) = r \leq 2n$$

$$N(1) + N(3) \leq n$$

$$N(2) + N(3) \leq n$$

$$N(2') + N(3) \leq n$$



Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there is a  $(2n, r)$  matrix  $A' = (a'_{ij})$  consisting of vectors and pairs with the same types and the same numbers as  $A = (a_{ij})$  such that

- 1) column vectors of  $A'$  are linearly independent.
- 2)  $|a_{ij} - a'_{ij}| < \varepsilon$ .

**Proof.** Any minor determinant of  $A$  is an analytic function of  $\{a_{ij}\}$ . Then it is sufficient to show the existence of such an  $A'$  satisfying only the condition 1). Furthermore the vectors of type 0) can be arbitrarily moved. Then it is sufficient to prove the existence of linearly independent vectors of types 1), 2), 2') and pairs of type 3) with number  $N(1)$ ,  $N(2)$ ,  $N(2')$  and  $N(3)$  respectively. We denote by  $s_i$  the  $n$ -dimensional vector whose  $i$ -th element is 1 and whose other elements are 0. If

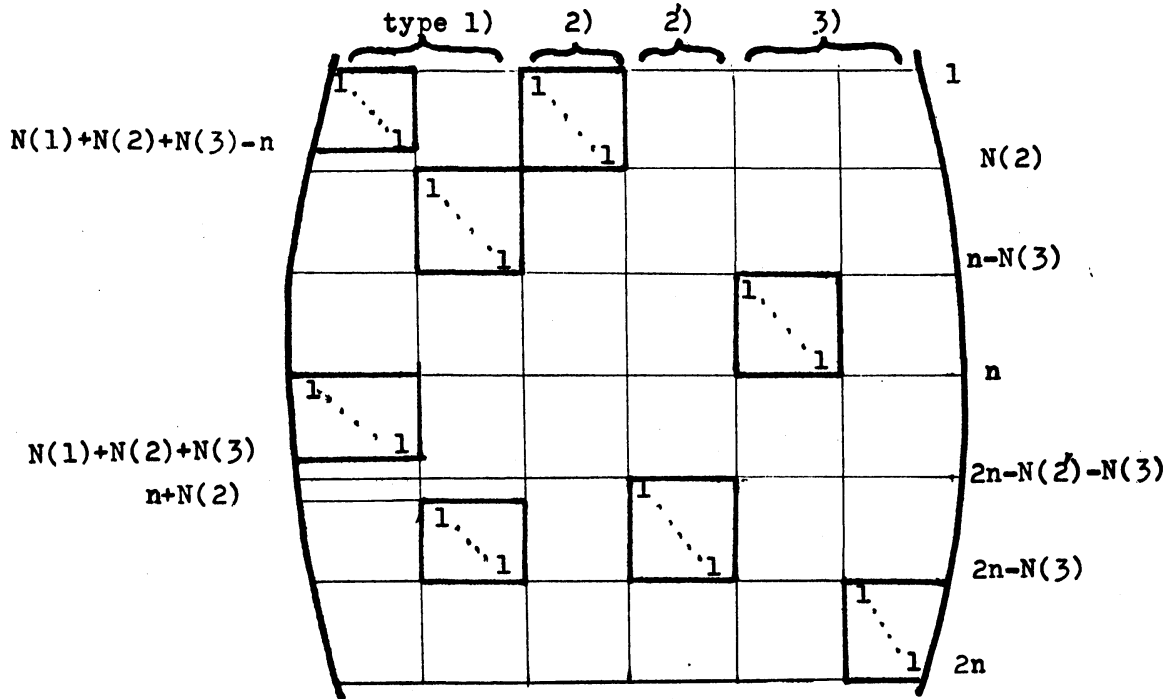
$$N(1) + N(2) + N(3) \leq n \text{ and } N(1) + N(2') + N(3) \leq n.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } E_{1i} &= \begin{pmatrix} s_i \\ s_i \end{pmatrix} & 1 \leq i \leq N(1), \\ E_{2j} &= \begin{pmatrix} s_j \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & N(1) < j \leq N(1) + N(2) + N(3), \\ E_{2'j'} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s_{j'} \end{pmatrix} & N(1) < j' \leq N(1) + N(2') + N(3). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\{E_{1i}, E_{2j}, E_{2'j'}\}$  are the required vectors.

$$\text{If } N(1) + N(2) + N(3) > n.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } E_{1i} &= \begin{pmatrix} s_i \\ s_i \end{pmatrix} & 0 \leq i \leq N(1) + N(2) + N(3) - n, \\ E_{1'i'} &= \begin{pmatrix} s_{i'} \\ s_{i'} \end{pmatrix} & N(2) < i' \leq n - N(3), \\ E_{2j} &= \begin{pmatrix} s_j \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & 0 \leq j \leq N(2) \\ E_{2'j'} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s_{j'} \end{pmatrix} & n - N(2') - N(3) < j' \leq n - N(3) \\ E_{3k} &= \begin{pmatrix} s_k \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} & n - N(3) < k \leq n \\ E_{3'k'} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ s_{k'} \end{pmatrix} & n - N(3) < k' \leq n. \end{aligned}$$



Then  $\{E_{1i}, E_{1'i'}, E_{2j}, E_{2'j'}, E_{3k}, E_{3'k'}\}$  are the required linearly independent vectors. Similarly we can prove it in the case that  $N(1)+N(2')+N(3) > n$ . Therefore we have proved Proposition 10.

We can restate the formulas (1'') and (2'') as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{v \in \gamma_1} \left( \lambda_v \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_0}) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{1 \leq i} \lambda_{v_i} \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{1 \leq i'} \lambda'_{v_{i'}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_{i'}}) - h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} \right) \\
 &= \sum_{v \in \gamma_2} \left( \mu_v \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_0}) \\ h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{1 \leq i} \mu_{v_i} \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_i}) - h(b_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \sum_{1 \leq i'} \mu'_{v_{i'}} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(b'_{v_{i'}}) - h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} \right) \tag{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

We denote by  $A_{v\hbar}(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  and  $A_{v\hbar}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  the sets of  $2n$ -dimensional vectors

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_0}) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_{i'}}) - h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} \right\} & 1 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi_1) \\
 & & 1 \leq i' \leq m(v, \xi'_1) \\
 & \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_0}) \\ h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_i}) - h(b_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(b'_{v_{i'}}) - h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} \right\} & 1 \leq i \leq m(v, \xi_2) \\
 & & 1 \leq i' \leq m(v, \xi'_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Vectors  $\begin{pmatrix} h(a) \\ h(a') \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} h(b) - h(b') \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(c) - h(c') \end{pmatrix}$  are free, if pairs  $(a, a'), (b, b'), (c, c')$  are

free respectively. We define the number  $\gamma_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  by the formulas

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_v &= 0, & \text{if } (\xi_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) &= \phi \\ \gamma_v &= NV(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) + NV(\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) - 1, & \text{if } (\xi_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) &\neq \phi. \end{aligned}$$

Then it is clear that  $\gamma_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) \leq \beta_v(\xi_1, \xi_2 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$ .

**Proposition 11.** *There are  $\gamma_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  non-free vectors  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{r_v}\}$  of  $A_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  such that  $x_i$  is linearly dependent on non-free vectors of  $(A_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1 \cup \dots \cup x_{r_v}) \cup A_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$ .*

**Proof.** If  $\gamma_v = 0$  this proposition is trivial. If  $\gamma_v = 1$  then  $(\xi_{1v} \cup \xi_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) = a \cup a'$ ,  $a \neq a'$ .

1) If  $a \cup a' = a_{v_0} \cup a'_{v_0}$ . We can write

$$a = a_{v_0} = b_{v_j}, \quad a' = a'_{v_0} = b'_{v_{j'}}.$$

Let  $x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_0}) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}$ . Then we have

$$x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_j}) - h(b_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_0}) \\ h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(b'_{v_{j'}}) - h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Since  $b_{v_j}$  and  $b'_{v_{j'}}$  are non-free vertices.  $b_{v_0}$  and  $b'_{v_0}$  are non-free vertices and then  $x_1$

is the sum of non-free vectors  $\begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_j}) - h(b_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_0}) \\ h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(b'_{v_{j'}}) - h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}$ .

2) If  $a \cup a' \neq a_{v_0} \cup a'_{v_0}$ . Then we may assume  $a = a_{v_i} = b_{v_j}$ ,  $i \neq 0$ .

Put  $x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$ .

If  $a' = a_{v_{i'}} = b_{v_{j'}}$ , we have

$$x_1 = \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_j}) - h(b_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_{j'}}) - h(b_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_{i'}}) - h(a_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

If  $a' = a'_{v_{i'}} = b'_{v_{j'}}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_j}) - h(b_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_0}) \\ h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(b'_{v_{j'}}) - h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_{i'}}) - h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_0}) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $x_1$  is the sum of non-free vectors of  $(A_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1) \cap A_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$ . If  $\gamma_v \geq 0$ ,

we may choose  $x_1, \dots, x_{r_{v-1}}$  as similarly as  $x_1$  in 2) and  $x_{r_v}$  as in 1) or 2). We complete the proof of Proposition 11.

We denote the set of above vectors by

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) &= A_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1 \cup x_2 \cup \dots \cup x_{r_v} & \tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2) &= A_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2) \\ \tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2) &= \tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) \cup \tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2).\end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 3** *If  $h: K \rightarrow E^n$  is an SS-map and*

$$\alpha(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2) + \beta(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2) \leq n.$$

*Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is an SS-map  $h': K \rightarrow E^n$  such that  $d(h, h') < \varepsilon$  and*

*$\bigcup_{v \in \eta_1 \cup \eta_2} \tilde{A}_{vh'}(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  are linearly independent. Consequently the coefficients of free vectors in (1), (1'), (2), (2') are 0.*

*Switch of base points.* If  $\xi_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v} \neq \emptyset$ . There is a vertex  $a = a_{v_i} = b_{v_j}$ . Define a set of vectors  $A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$ : as follows;

$$\text{If } i=0. \quad A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) = \tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1).$$

*If  $i \neq 0$ . We change the vectors of  $\tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  by.*

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow -x = \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_0}) - h(a_{v_i}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ y &= \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_0}) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow y + x = \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_i}) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} \\ z &= \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow z - x = \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_i}) - h(a_{v_i}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.\end{aligned}$$

By the above modification we get  $A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  such that  $A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  is equivalent to  $\tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  and the base point of top vectors of  $A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1)$  is  $h(a) = h(a_{v_i})$ . Similarly we get  $A'_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  such that  $A'_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  is equivalent to  $\tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  and the base point of top vectors of  $A'_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  is  $h(a) = h(b_{v_j})$ . Put

$$A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2) = A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) \cup A'_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2).$$

Then  $A'_{vh} = A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  is equivalent to  $\tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1) \cup \tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  and the base point of its top vectors is  $h(a)$ . Next we shall define  $A''_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  by switch of the base point of bottom vectors of  $A'_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1; \xi_2, \xi'_2)$ . If  $a'_{v_0} = b'_{v_0}$  put  $A''_{vh} = A'_{vh}$ . assume that  $a'_{v_0} \neq b'_{v_0}$ . Since

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_0}) - h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} h(a) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} h(a) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Change  $\begin{pmatrix} h(a) \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}$  to  $x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_0}) - h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}$  and

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_i}) - h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix} \text{ to } y+x = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_i}) - h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

Consequently we get  $A''_{vh}$  which is equivalent to  $A'_{vh}$  and then to  $\tilde{A}_{vh}$  and the base points of top vectors and bottom vectors are  $h(a)$  and  $h(b'_{v_0})$  respectively. We denote the set of vertices of top vectors and bottom vectors of  $A_{vh}$  by  $V_T A_{vh}$  and  $V_B A_{vh}$ . It is clear that

$$\begin{aligned} V_T \tilde{A}_{vh} &= V_T A''_{vh} \\ V_B \tilde{A}_{vh} &= V_B A''_{vh}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore if  $(\xi_{1v} \cup \xi_{2v}) \cap (\xi'_{1v} \cup \xi'_{2v}) \ni c$  we can easily modify  $A''_{vh}$  to  $A'''_{vh}$  so that all base points of top and bottom vectors of  $A'''_{vh}$  are  $h(c)$  and  $A'''_{vh} \sim \tilde{A}_{vh}$ ,  $V_T \tilde{A}_{vh} = V_T A'''_{vh}$ ,  $V_B \tilde{A}_{vh} = V_B A'''_{vh}$ .

**Proof of Lemma 3.** We shall define an *SS-map*  $\tilde{h}: K \rightarrow E^n$  and a set of vectors  $B_{v\tilde{h}}$ . At first we assume that 1)  $(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) \neq \emptyset$ . Moreover if 1.1)  $(\xi_{1v} \cup \xi_{2v}) \cap (\xi'_{1v} \cup \xi'_{2v}) = \emptyset$ . Put  $\tilde{h} = h$  and  $B_{v\tilde{h}} = A''_{vh}$ . Then  $B_{v\tilde{h}}$  has only vectors of types 0), 2) and 2') which can be arbitrarily approximated. Furthermore it is easy to see that the numbers of vectors of  $B_{v\tilde{h}}$  satisfy the following relations;

$$\begin{aligned} N(v, 2) + N(v, 3) &= N(v, 2) \leq \dim \xi_{1v} + \dim \xi_{2v} + 1 \\ N(v, 2') + N(v, 3) &= N(v, 2') \leq \dim \xi'_{1v} + \dim \xi'_{2v} + 1 \\ N(v, 1) + N(v, 3) &= 0 \leq \alpha_v + \beta_v. \end{aligned}$$

Secondly if 1.2)  $(\xi_{1v} \cup \xi_{1v}) \cap (\xi'_{1v} \cup \xi'_{2v}) \neq \emptyset$ . Put  $h = \tilde{h}$  and  $B_{v\tilde{h}} = A'''_{vh}$ . Then  $B_{v\tilde{h}}$  has only vectors of types 1), 2), 2') and pairs of type 3) which are arbitrarily approximated. It is clear that

$$\begin{aligned} N(v, 2) + N(v, 3) &\leq \dim \xi_{1v} + \dim \xi_{2v} + 1 \\ N(v, 2') + N(v, 3) &\leq \dim \xi'_{1v} + \dim \xi'_{2v} + 1. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore numbers of vertices satisfy the following

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_v &= NV(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{1v}) + NV(\xi_{2v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) \\ &\geq \tilde{N}V(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{1v}) + \tilde{N}V(\xi_{2v} \cap \xi'_{2v}). \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{N}V(\xi_{iv} \cap \xi'_{iv})$ ,  $i=1, 2$  is the number of vertices in  $\xi_{iv} \cap \xi'_{iv}$  but not in  $\xi_{jv} \cap \xi'_{jv}$ ,  $j \neq i$ .

$$\beta_v = NV((\xi_{1v} \cup \xi'_{1v}) \cap (\xi_{1v} \cup \xi'_{2v})) - 1$$

$$= NV(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) \cup (\xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) - 1 \\ \geq \tilde{N}N(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) + \tilde{N}V(\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}).$$

Then 
$$\alpha_v + \beta_v \geq \tilde{N}V(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{1v}) + \tilde{N}V(\xi_{2v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) + \tilde{N}V(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) + \tilde{N}V(\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) \\ \geq N(v, 3) + 1 = N(v, 3) + N(v, 1).$$

Next we assume that 2)  $(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) = \phi$ . 2.1) If  $(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) = \phi$ . Put  $\tilde{h} = h$  and  $B_{v\tilde{h}} = \tilde{A}_{v\tilde{h}}$ . Then it is clear that

$$N(v, 2) + N(v, 3) \leq \dim \xi_{1v} + \dim \xi_{2v} \\ N(v, 2') + N(v, 3) \leq \dim \xi'_{1v} + \dim \xi'_{2v} \\ N(v, 1) + N(v, 3) \leq \alpha_v = \alpha_v + \beta_v.$$

2.2) If  $(\xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}) \cup (\xi'_{1v} \cap \xi_{2v}) \neq \phi$  and then we assume that  $d \in \xi_{1v} \cap \xi'_{2v}$ . Define  $\tilde{h}$  as follows :

$$\tilde{h}(a) = 0 \quad \text{if } a = d \\ \tilde{h}(a) = h(a) \quad \text{if } a \neq d, a \in VK.$$

Put 
$$B_{v\tilde{h}} = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} h(a_{vm(v, \xi_1)}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}, \dots \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(a'_{v_{w(v, \xi'_1)}}) \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{v_0}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} h(b_{vm(v, \xi_2)}) \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \right.$$

$$\left. \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(b'_{v_0}) \end{pmatrix}, \dots, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ h(b'_{vm(v, \xi'_2)}) \end{pmatrix} \right\}. \quad \text{Then it is clear that } B_{v\tilde{h}} \text{ is equivalent to}$$

$\tilde{A}_{v\tilde{h}}$  and  $B_{v\tilde{h}}$  has only vectors of types 2), 2') and pairs of 3). Moreover

$$N(v, 2) + N(v, 3) \leq \dim \xi_{1v} + \dim \xi_{2v} + 1 \\ N(v, 2') + N(v, 3) \leq \dim \xi'_{1v} + \dim \xi'_{2v} + 1 \\ N(v, 1) + N(v, 3) \leq \alpha_v + \beta_v$$

Then we have

$$\sum_{v \in \eta_1 \cup \eta_2} (N(v, 2) + N(v, 3)) \leq n \\ \sum_{v \in \eta_1 \cup \eta_2} (N(v, 2') + N(v, 3)) \leq n \\ \sum_{v \in \eta_1 \cup \eta_2} (N(v, 1) + N(v, 2)) \leq \sum_{v \in \eta_1 \cup \eta_2} (\alpha_v + \beta_v)$$

$$\leq \alpha (\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) + \beta (\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) \leq n.$$

Therefore by Proposition 10 we have an SS-map  $h' : K \rightarrow E^n$  such that  $B_{h'} = \cup_{v \in \eta_1 \cup \eta_2} B_{v h'}$  is linearly independent. Therefore  $\tilde{A}_{h'} = \cup \tilde{A}_{h'}(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  is linearly independent. We have proved Lemma 3.

§4 Let  $K'$  and  $H'$  be first derived subdivisions of  $K$  and  $H$  respectively such that  $f : K' \rightarrow H'$  is simplicial, Let denote by  $\hat{\xi}$  the barycenter of a simplex  $\xi$ . If  $X$  is a subset of  $|K|$  and  $\xi$  is a minimum simplex of  $K$  containing  $X$ . We denote  $\xi$  by  $\eta(X)$ . It is clear that  $\eta(\hat{\xi}) = \xi$ .

**Proposition 12.** *Let  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4$  be simplexes of  $K'$  such that any vertex of them is non-free (i. e. belongs to at least two of them). Then if a vertex  $a$  does not belong to  $\xi_i$  and belongs to  $\xi_j$ , for all  $j \neq i$ . The join  $a * \xi_i$  is a simplex of  $K'$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $a \notin \xi_1$  and  $a \in \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4$ . Let  $b$  be a vertex of  $\xi_1$ . Then there is a simplex  $\xi_j$  ( $j \neq 1$ ) such that  $b$  is a vertex of  $\xi_j$ . Therefore  $\eta(a) < \eta(b)$  or  $\eta(b) < \eta(a)$ . Thus  $a * \xi_1 \in K'$ .

**Proposition 13.** *If  $\xi_1, \xi_2, \xi_3, \xi_4$  are simplexes of  $K'$  such that any vertex of them is non-free. Then there are two simplexes  $\zeta_1$  and  $\zeta_2$  of  $K$  such that*

$$\zeta_1 \cup \zeta_2 \supset \xi_1 \cup \xi_2 \cup \xi_3 \cup \xi_4.$$

**Proof.** It is sufficient to prove that for any  $\xi_i$  there is  $\xi_j$  ( $j \neq i$ ) such that  $\eta(\xi_i) < \eta(\xi_j)$ . Since  $\hat{\eta}(\xi_i)$  is non-free and then a vertex of  $\xi_j$  ( $i \neq j$ ).  $\eta(\xi_i) < \eta(\xi_j)$ .

The following proposition is clear :

**Proposition 14.** *If  $h : K \rightarrow E^n$  be a non-degenerate SS map. Then there is an  $\epsilon > 0$  such that if  $h'$  is an SS-map of  $K'$  into  $E^n$  satisfying  $d(h, h') < \epsilon$  then  $h'|(K'|\xi)$  is an isomorphism for any  $\xi \in K$ , where  $K'|\xi$  is the subcomplex of  $K'$  whose underlying space is  $\xi$ .*

**Proof of Theorem** Let  $h : K' \rightarrow E^n$  be an SS-map which satisfies the conditions of  $h : K \rightarrow E^n$  in Lemma 2 and the conditions of  $h' : K \rightarrow E^n$  in Lemma 3 for any such simplexes  $\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2$  of  $K'$  that

$$\eta_1 = f(\xi_1) = f(\xi'_1), \quad \eta_2 = f(\xi_2) = f(\xi'_2)$$

Furthermore if  $p_1 \in \xi_1, p'_1 \in \xi'_1, p_2 \in \xi_2, p'_2 \in \xi'_2$  and  $f(p_1) = f(p'_1), f(p_2) = f(p'_2), h(p_1) = h(p'_1), h(p_2) = h(p'_2)$ . Then by Lemma 2, Lemma 3, and Proposition 12 we may assume that any vertex of  $\xi_1, \xi'_1, \xi_2, \xi'_2$  belongs to just two of them or all of them. Let  $p$  be any point of a simplex  $\xi$ . Then by barycentric coordinate we can write

$$p = \sum_{v \in \xi} \lambda(v, \xi) v, \quad \sum_{v \in \xi} \lambda(v, \xi) = 1, \quad \lambda(v, \xi) \geq 0.$$

From the linear independentness of  $\tilde{A}(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) = \bigcup_{v \in \eta_1 \cup \eta_2} (A_v(\xi_1, \xi'_1) - x_1 \cup \cdots \cup x_{\beta v}) \cup A_v(\xi_2, \xi'_2)$  (Proposition 8 and Lemma 2) and that of  $\tilde{A}_h(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2) = \bigcup_{v \in \eta_1 \cup \eta_2} \tilde{A}_{vh}(\xi_1, \xi'_1 : \xi_2, \xi'_2)$  (Lemma 3) it is easy to see that

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| 1) | $\lambda(v, \xi_1) - \lambda(v, \xi'_1) = \lambda(v, \xi_2) - \lambda(v, \xi'_2)$ | if $v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1 \cap \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2$ |
| 2) | $\lambda(v, \xi_1) = \lambda(v, \xi'_1)$  | if $v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1 - \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2$    |
| 3) | $\lambda(v, \xi_2) = \lambda(v, \xi'_2)$  | if $v \in \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2 - \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1$    |
| 4) | $\lambda(v, \xi_1) = \lambda(v, \xi_2)$   | if $v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi_2 - \xi'_1 \cap \xi'_2$    |
| 5) | $\lambda(v, \xi'_1) = \lambda(v, \xi'_2)$   | if $v \in \xi'_1 \cap \xi'_2 - \xi_1 \cap \xi_2$    |
| 6) | $\lambda(v, \xi_1) = \lambda(v, \xi'_2) = 0$                                      | if $v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_2 - \xi'_1 \cap \xi_2$    |
| 7) | $\lambda(v, \xi'_1) = \lambda(v, \xi_2) = 0$                                      | if $v \in \xi'_1 \cap \xi_2 - \xi_1 \cap \xi'_2$ .  |

By Proposition 13 there are two simplexes  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2$  such that  $\zeta_1 \cup \zeta_2 \supset \xi_1 \cup \xi'_1 \cup \xi_2 \cup \xi'_2$ . If  $\xi_1 \cup \xi_2 \subset \zeta_1$  by Proposition 14  $p_1 = p_2$ . Then we may assume that  $\xi_1 \cup \xi_2$  is contained neither in  $\zeta_1$  nor  $\zeta_2$  and  $\xi'_1 \cup \xi'_2$  is similar. By the conditions 6) and 7) we may assume that

$$\xi_1 \cap \xi'_2 - \xi'_1 \cap \xi_2 = \xi'_1 \cap \xi_2 - \xi_1 \cap \xi'_2 = \phi$$

and then

$$\xi_1 \cup \xi'_1 \subset \zeta_1, \quad \xi_2 \cup \xi'_2 \subset \zeta_2.$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &= \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi_1) v \mid v \in \xi_1 - \xi'_1 \} + \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi_1) v \mid v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1 \} \\ p'_1 &= \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_1) v \mid v \in \xi'_1 - \xi_1 \} + \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_1) v \mid v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1 \} \\ p_2 &= \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi_2) v \mid v \in \xi_2 - \xi'_2 \} + \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi_2) v \mid v \in \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2 \} \\ p'_2 &= \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_2) v \mid v \in \xi'_2 - \xi_2 \} + \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_2) v \mid v \in \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2 \}. \end{aligned}$$

If  $v \in \xi_1 - \xi'_1$  then  $v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi_2$  and if  $v \in \xi_2 - \xi'_2$  then  $v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi_2$ . By 2) and 3) we have

$$\sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi_1) v \mid v \in \xi_1 - \xi'_1 \} = \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi_2) v \mid v \in \xi_2 - \xi'_2 \}.$$

Similarly we have

$$\sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_1) v \mid v \in \xi'_1 - \xi_1 \} = \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_2) v \mid v \in \xi'_2 - \xi_2 \}.$$

Since  $h(p_1) = h(p_2)$ ,  $h(p'_1) = h(p'_2)$ . From above formulas

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| 8) | $\sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi_1) h(v) \mid v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1 \} = \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi_2) h(v) \mid v \in \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2 \}$    |
| 9) | $\sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_1) h(v) \mid v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1 \} = \sum \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_2) h(v) \mid v \in \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2 \}.$ |

From the conditions 1), 2), 3), 4), 5) we have



$$\begin{aligned} & \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi_1) | v \in \xi_1 - \xi'_1 \} = \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi_2) | v \in \xi_2 - \xi'_2 \} \\ & = \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_1) | v \in \xi'_1 - \xi_1 \} = \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi_2) | v \in \xi'_2 - \xi_2 \}. \end{aligned}$$

We denote this number by  $\nu$  and put

$$q = \frac{1}{\nu} \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi) v | v \in \xi_1 - \xi'_1 \} = \frac{1}{\nu} \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi_2) v | v \in \xi_2 - \xi'_2 \}$$

$$r_1 = \frac{1}{1-\nu} \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi_1) v | v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1 \}$$

$$r_2 = \frac{1}{1-\nu} \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi_1) v | v \in \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2 \}$$

$$q' = \frac{1}{\nu} \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_1) v | v \in \xi'_1 - \xi_1 \} = \frac{1}{\nu} \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_2) v | v \in \xi'_2 - \xi_2 \}$$

$$r'_1 = \frac{1}{1-\nu} \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_1) v | v \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1 \}$$

$$r'_2 = \frac{1}{1-\nu} \Sigma \{ \lambda(v, \xi'_2) v | v \in \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2 \}.$$

Then  $p_1 = \nu q + (1-\nu) r_1$ ;  $p'_1 = \nu q' + (1-\nu) r'_1$

$$p_2 = \nu q + (1-\nu) r_2, \quad p'_2 = \nu q' + (1-\nu) r'_2.$$

Furthermore

$$\begin{aligned} q, q' & \in \xi_1 \cap \xi_2, \\ r_1, r'_1 & \in \xi_1 \cap \xi'_1, \quad r_2, r'_2 \in \xi_2 \cap \xi'_2. \end{aligned}$$

By 8). 9) we have

$$h(r_1) = h(r_2) \quad h(r'_1) = h(r'_2)$$

If  $u_1 = \mu p_1 + (1-\mu) p'_1$ ,  $u_2 = \mu p_2 + (1-\mu) p'_2$   $1 > \mu > 0$ .

Then  $u_1, u_2$  are points of  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2$  respectively and

$$\begin{aligned} u_1 &= \nu(\mu q + (1-\mu) q') + (1-\nu)(\mu r_1 + (1-\mu) r'_1) \\ u_2 &= \nu(\mu q + (1-\mu) q') + (1-\nu)(\mu r_2 + (1-\mu) r'_2). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} h(u_1) &= \nu h(\mu q + (1-\mu) q') + (1-\nu) h(\mu r_1 + (1-\mu) r'_1) \\ h(u_2) &= \nu h(\mu q + (1-\mu) q') + (1-\nu) h(\mu r_2 + (1-\mu) r'_2). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $h(r_1) = h(r_2)$   $h(r'_1) = h(r'_2)$ . We have  $h(u_1) = h(u_2)$ . Therefore we have proved the condition c) of Theorem. Lemma 1 implies b) and we have completed the proof of Theorem.

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