

Q3)

$$\|x\|_w = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n w_i^2 x_i^2}$$

To prove this defines a norm (weighted norm)

$$\text{Let } W = \begin{bmatrix} w_1 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & w_2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \\ 0 & \dots & w_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\therefore \|x\|_w = \|Wx\| \quad (\text{Converting to equivalent Euclidean Norm})$$

Properties

(i) Non negative homogeneity:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\alpha x\|_w &= \|\alpha Wx\| && [\text{By Prop of Euclidean norm}] \\ &= |\alpha| \|Wx\| \\ &= |\alpha| \|x\|_w \end{aligned}$$

Hence nonnegative homogeneity holds

(ii) Triangle Inequality:

$$\|x+y\|_w = \|W(x+y)\| = \|Wx + Wy\|$$

$$\Rightarrow \|Wx + Wy\| \leq \|Wx\| + \|Wy\| = \|x\|_w + \|y\|_w$$

$$\therefore \|x+y\|_w \leq \|x\|_w + \|y\|_w \text{ holds}$$

(iii) Non negativity:

$$\|x\|_w = \|Wx\| \geq 0 \Rightarrow \|x\|_w \geq 0 \text{ holds}$$

iv) Definiteness

$$\|x\|_w = 0 \Rightarrow \|Wx\| = 0 \Rightarrow Wx = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} w_1 x_1 \\ w_2 x_2 \\ \vdots \\ w_n x_n \end{bmatrix} = 0 \Rightarrow w_i x_i = 0 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$$
$$\Rightarrow x_i = 0 \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ since } w_i > 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 0_n$$

$$\therefore \|x\|_w = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0_n \text{ holds}$$

So $\|\cdot\|_w$ defines a norm