

Notation

$x \rightarrow$ scalar, $\underline{x} \rightarrow$ vector, $X \rightarrow$ matrix

Q1 Recall norm properties:

1-) $\|\underline{x}\| \geq 0, \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

2-) $\|\underline{x}\| = 0 \iff \underline{x} = \underline{0}$

3-) $\| \lambda \underline{x} \| = |\lambda| \|\underline{x}\|, \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n, \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}$

4-) $\|\underline{x} + \underline{y}\| \leq \|\underline{x}\| + \|\underline{y}\|, \forall \underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$

For $p = \frac{1}{2}$, p -norm is given by

$\|\underline{x}\|_{\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{|x_i|} \right)^2$, where x_i is the i th element of \underline{x} .

Consider $\underline{x}, \underline{y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $\underline{x} = \underline{e}_1$, and $\underline{y} = \underline{e}_2$, i.e.,

$\underline{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \underline{y} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$

$\|\underline{x}\|_{\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{|x_i|} \right)^2 = 1, \|\underline{y}\|_{\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{|y_i|} \right)^2 = 1$

$\|\underline{x} + \underline{y}\|_{\frac{1}{2}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{|x_i + y_i|} \right)^2 = 4$

$\implies \|\underline{x} + \underline{y}\|_{\frac{1}{2}} > \|\underline{x}\| + \|\underline{y}\|$, which contradicts property 4.

Hence, for $p = \frac{1}{2}$, p -norm is not a norm.

Q2 CS inequality: $|x^T y| \leq \|x\|_2 \|y\|_2, \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

a) $x = 0$

$$|x^T y| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^n 0 \cdot y_i \right| = |0| = 0$$

$$\|x\|_2 \|y\|_2 = \|0\|_2 \|y\|_2 = 0 \|y\|_2 = \|0\|_2 = 0$$

Hence, CS inequality is satisfied. Also, since $x = 0y$, where $k=0$, the inequality becomes an equality.

b) $\frac{1}{\|x\|_2^2} \left\| \|x\|_2^2 y - (x^T y)x \right\|_2^2 = A$

Recall $\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle_2}$ since ℓ_2 norm is an inner product induced norm.

$$A = \frac{1}{\|x\|_2^2} \langle \|x\|_2^2 y - (x^T y)x, \|x\|_2^2 y - (x^T y)x \rangle_2$$

This doesn't matter for \mathbb{R}

Linear in first element

Example: $\langle \lambda x, y \rangle = \lambda \langle x, y \rangle$
but $\langle x, \lambda y \rangle = \lambda \langle x, y \rangle$
 $= \lambda^* \langle y, x \rangle^*$
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Recall inner product properties:

- $\langle x, y \rangle = \langle y, x \rangle^*$
 - $\langle \alpha x_1 + \beta x_2, y \rangle = \alpha \langle x_1, y \rangle + \beta \langle x_2, y \rangle$
 - $\langle x, x \rangle > 0, \langle x, x \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow x = 0$
- for $\forall x, x_1, x_2, y \in \mathbb{C}^n, \alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$

Second property

$$= \frac{1}{\|x\|_2^2} \left(\langle \|x\|_2^2 y, \|x\|_2^2 y - (x^T y)x \rangle_2 - \langle (x^T y)x, \|x\|_2^2 y - (x^T y)x \rangle_2 \right)$$

First & second

$$= \frac{1}{\|x\|_2^2} \left(\langle \|x\|_2^2 y, \|x\|_2^2 y \rangle_2 - \langle \|x\|_2^2 y, (x^T y)x \rangle_2 - \langle (x^T y)x, \|x\|_2^2 y \rangle_2 + \langle (x^T y)x, (x^T y)x \rangle_2 \right)$$

First & second

$$= \frac{1}{\|x\|_2^2} \left(\|x\|_2^4 \|y\|_2^2 - \|x\|_2^2 (x^T y) (y^T x) - (x^T y) \|x\|_2^2 (x^T y) + (x^T y)^2 \|x\|_2^2 \right)$$

$$= \|x\|_2^2 \|y\|_2^2 - (x^T y)^2$$

Solution does not have an magnitude because $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\frac{1}{\|x\|_2^2} \|(\|x\|_2^2 y - (x^T y)x)\|_2^2 = \|x\|_2^2 \|y\|_2^2 - (x^T y)^2$$

Notice that RHS has individual elements of CS inequality squared. (or non-negative in general)

LHS is positive for non-zero vectors, so

$$\|x\|_2^2 \|y\|_2^2 \geq (x^T y)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x\|_2 \|y\|_2 \geq |x^T y| \quad (\text{C.S. ineq.})$$

$$d) \|x\|_2 \|y\|_2 = |x^T y|$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{\|x\|_2^2} \|(\|x\|_2^2 y - (x^T y)x)\|_2^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \|(\|x\|_2^2 y - (x^T y)x)\|_2^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x\|_2^2 y = (x^T y)x$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \frac{(x^T y)x}{\|x\|_2^2} \Rightarrow h = \frac{x^T y}{\|x\|_2^2} = \frac{\langle x, y \rangle}{\langle x, x \rangle}$$

↳ This is basically the projection of y onto x . If a vector is equal to its projection of onto another, then two vectors are linearly dependent, hence $y = hx$, $h \in \mathbb{R}$.

Q3 $T \in \mathbb{R}^{2 \times 2}, \forall \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^2$

$$T \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} x_2 \\ x_1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow T = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

i.e., T is a permutation matrix.

Let \underline{x} be an eigenvector of T .

$$T\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$$

$$(T - \lambda I)\underline{x} = 0$$

For non-zero $\underline{x} \Rightarrow \det(T - \lambda I) = 0$

$$\begin{vmatrix} -\lambda & 1 \\ 1 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = \lambda^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (\lambda - 1)(\lambda + 1) = 0$$

$$\lambda_1 = 1, \lambda_2 = -1$$

$$T\underline{x}_1 = \underline{x}_1 \Rightarrow \underline{x}_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T\underline{x}_2 = -\underline{x}_2 \Rightarrow \underline{x}_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Q4

$$\text{rank}(A) = 1 \iff \dim(N(A)) = n-1$$

T is symmetric
(diagonalizable)

$\Rightarrow n-1$ zero
eigenvalues

Consider $A^T A = A^2 = nA$

Let \underline{x} be an eigenvector of A

$$A\underline{x} = \lambda \underline{x}$$

$$AA\underline{x} = \lambda A\underline{x}$$

$$AA\underline{x} = nA\underline{x} = \lambda A\underline{x} \Rightarrow \lambda = n$$

Hence, $\lambda_1 = n, \lambda_j = 0, j = 2, \dots, n$

5 $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(\underline{r}) = x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 3y$ where $\underline{r} = \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$.
 $S = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$

$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$, and it is nonempty, closed, and bounded, hence we can apply Weierstrass theorem (also f is continuous over S). We know that f has global min/max over S . We also know that if an optimal point resides in the interior of S , i.e., $\underline{r}^* \in \text{int}(S)$, then $\nabla f(\underline{r}^*) = 0$.

$$\nabla f(\underline{r}) = \begin{bmatrix} 2x+2 \\ 2y-3 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow \underline{r}^* = \begin{bmatrix} -1 \\ 1.5 \end{bmatrix}$$

However $\underline{r}^* \notin S$ since $\|\underline{r}^*\|_2^2 = \frac{13}{4} > 1$, which is not in the ball.

So, we can infer that optimal point resides on $\text{bound}(S)$, i.e., $x^2 + y^2 = 1$.

Our minimization problem becomes $\min_{\underline{r}} (1 + 2x - 3y) = \min_{\underline{r}} g(x, y)$
 $x^2 + y^2 = 1 \Rightarrow x^2 = 1 - y^2 \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{1 - y^2}$.

$$g_1(y) = 1 + 2\sqrt{1 - y^2} - 3y, \quad g_2(y) = 1 - 2\sqrt{1 - y^2} - 3y$$

$$g_1'(y) = \frac{-2y}{\sqrt{1 - y^2}} - 3 = 0, \quad g_2'(y) = \frac{2y}{\sqrt{1 - y^2}} - 3 = 0$$

$$2y = -3\sqrt{1 - y^2}$$

$$4y^2 = 9(1 - y^2)$$

$$2y = 3\sqrt{1 - y^2}$$

$$4y^2 = 9 - 9y^2$$

$$y^2 = \frac{9}{13} \Rightarrow y = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{13}}$$

$$\text{From } y, \text{ we also get } x = \pm \sqrt{1 - \frac{9}{13}} = \pm \sqrt{\frac{4}{13}} = \pm \frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}$$

Since in original f formulation, x has a plus sign, and y has a minus sign, min f will occur at $\underline{r} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}} \\ \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}} \end{bmatrix}$.

Check if $\underline{r} \in S$:

$$x^2 + y^2 = \frac{4}{13} + \frac{9}{13} = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(x, y) = \left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}\right)$$

$$\text{Also, } f\left(-\frac{2}{\sqrt{13}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{13}}\right) \approx -2.61$$

Q6 $f(x,y) = 2x - 3y$, $S = \{(x,y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \mid 2x^2 + 5y^2 \leq 1\}$

$S \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ and it is nonempty, closed, and bounded, also f is continuous on S . Hence Weierstrass theorem is applicable.
 we know that f has a optimum point over S .
 If f has a global max/min $c^* \in \text{int}(S)$, then $\nabla f(c^*) = 0$.

$$\nabla f(c^*) = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad c^* \notin S. \quad (2(2)^2 + 5(-3)^2 > 1)$$

Hence, optimum points reside on $\text{bound}(S)$, i.e.,

$$2x^2 + 5y^2 = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1-5y^2}{2}}$$

New optimization target $g_1(y) = \sqrt{2-10y^2} - 3y$
 $g_2(y) = -\sqrt{2-10y^2} - 3y$

$$\frac{dg_1(y)}{dy} = \frac{-10y}{\sqrt{2-10y^2}} - 3 = 0 \Rightarrow 10y = -3\sqrt{2-10y^2}$$

$$100y^2 = 18 - 90y^2$$

$$\Rightarrow y = \pm \frac{3}{\sqrt{35}}$$

$$\text{Then, } x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{1-5y^2}{2}} \Rightarrow x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{5}{19}} = \pm \frac{5}{\sqrt{35}}$$

Due to signs in f , global max at $(x,y) = (\frac{5}{\sqrt{35}}, -\frac{3}{\sqrt{35}})$
 global min at $(x,y) = (-\frac{5}{\sqrt{35}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{35}})$

$$f(\frac{5}{\sqrt{35}}, -\frac{3}{\sqrt{35}}) \approx 1.95, \quad f(-\frac{5}{\sqrt{35}}, \frac{3}{\sqrt{35}}) \approx -1.95$$

Also, these points are in S since

$$2(\frac{5}{\sqrt{35}})^2 + 5(-\frac{3}{\sqrt{35}})^2 = 1, \quad 2(-\frac{5}{\sqrt{35}})^2 + 5(\frac{3}{\sqrt{35}})^2 = 1$$

1 Coerciveness: $\lim_{\|x\| \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = \infty$

$$\begin{aligned}
 a) f(x_1, x_2) &= 2x_1^2 - 8x_1x_2 + x_2^2 \\
 &= 2x_1^2 - 4x_1x_2 - 4x_1x_2 + x_2^2 \\
 &= x_1(2x_1 - 4x_2) + x_2(-4x_1 + x_2) \\
 &= \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}^T \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{Also} \\ x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} \end{array} \right) \\
 &= x^T A x, \text{ where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -4 \\ -4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}
 \end{aligned}$$

If f is coercive, then it must have a global minimum on \mathbb{R}^2 .
 If there is a ^{global} minimum x^* , it should satisfy $\nabla f(x^*) = 0$ & $\nabla^2 f(x^*) \succ 0$.
 Check eigenvalues of A : $\text{tr}(A) = 3$, $\det(A) = -14 \Rightarrow$ they have different signs
 $\Rightarrow A$ is indefinite $\Rightarrow f$ cannot be coercive due to the previous reasoning.

$$\begin{aligned}
 b) f(x_1, x_2) &= 4x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 \\
 &= 4x_1^2 + x_1x_2 + x_1x_2 + 2x_2^2 \\
 &= x_1(4x_1 + x_2) + x_2(x_1 + 2x_2) \\
 &= x^T A x, \text{ where } A = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow A \text{ is positive definite} \\
 &\Rightarrow f \text{ is coercive}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 c) f(x_1, x_2) &= x_1^4 + x_2^4 \\
 &= \|x\|_4^4, \text{ where } \|x\|_4 = (x_1^4 + x_2^4)^{1/4} \\
 &\geq \|x\|_4
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\lim_{\|x\|_4 \rightarrow \infty} f(x) \geq \lim_{\|x\|_4 \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_4 = \infty \Rightarrow f \text{ is coercive}$$

$$d) f(x_1, x_2, x_3) = x_1^3 + x_2^3 + x_3^3$$

Consider $x = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ -x_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. For $x_1 \rightarrow \infty$, $\|x\| \rightarrow \infty$,
 however $\lim_{\substack{\|x\| \rightarrow \infty \\ x_1 \rightarrow \infty}} f(x) = 0$

$\Rightarrow f$ is not coercive