

# MA 8463 - Homework 1

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1. Prove  $\|\cdot\|_\infty = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|\cdot\|_p$

a. Verify  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (1+x^p)^{1/p} = 1, \forall |x| \leq 1$

$|x| \leq 1 \Rightarrow -1 \leq x \leq 1$ , Using Squeeze Theorem:

$$-1 \leq x \leq 1 \Rightarrow (-1)^p \leq x^p \leq 1 \Rightarrow (-1)^{p+1} \leq x^{p+1} \leq 1$$

$$\Rightarrow ((-1)^{p+1} + 1)^{1/p} \leq (x^{p+1})^{1/p} \leq 1^{1/p}$$

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} ((-1)^{p+1} + 1)^{1/p} \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (x^{p+1})^{1/p} \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} 1^{1/p}$$

\*Originally, I tried

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (e^{\ln((-1)^{p+1} + 1)^{1/p}}) \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (x^{p+1})^{1/p} \leq 1$$

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (e^{\frac{1}{p} \ln((-1)^{p+1} + 1)}) \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (x^{p+1})^{1/p} \leq 1$$

$$e^0 \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (x^{p+1})^{1/p} \leq 1 \Rightarrow 1 \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} (x^{p+1})^{1/p} \leq 1$$

I now see the issue in that the sequence  $\{((-1)^{p+1} + 1)^{1/p}\}$  is oscillatory between 0 and 1 and squeeze theorem only holds for even  $p$ .

1. b. Let  $x = (a, b)^T$  with  $|a| \geq |b|$ .

Prove  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_p = |a|$

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Proof by more squeeze theorem:

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( |a|^p + |b|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$0 \leq |b| \leq |a|$$

$$0 \leq |b|^p \leq |a|^p$$

$$|a|^p \leq |a|^p + |b|^p \leq 2|a|^p$$

$$\left( |a|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left( |a|^p + |b|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left( 2|a|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$|a| \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( |a|^p + |b|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} 2^{\frac{1}{p}} |a|$$

$$|a| \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( |a|^p + |b|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq |a|.$$

$$\text{So } \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( |a|^p + |b|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = |a|$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_p = |a|$$

1. c. Prove  $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_p = \|x\|_\infty$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

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Proof by even more squeeze theorem:

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_p = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

Consider the smallest case of  $\sum_i |x_i|^p = (\max_i |x_i|)^p$  where  $\max_i |x_i|$  is the only nonzero element of  $x$ , as well as the largest case of  $\sum_i |x_i|^p = n(\max_i |x_i|)^p$  where all elements of  $x$  are equal to  $\max_i |x_i|$  for all  $n$  elements of  $x$ . Thus,

$$\left( \max_i |x_i| \right)^p \leq \sum_i |x_i|^p \leq n \left( \max_i |x_i| \right)^p$$
$$\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \left( \max_i |x_i| \right)^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( n \left( \max_i |x_i| \right)^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\max_i |x_i| \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{n^{1/p}}_1 \left( \max_i |x_i| \right)$$

$$\max_i |x_i| \leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \max_i |x_i|$$

$$\text{Thus } \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p} = \max_i |x_i| = \|x\|_\infty$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_p = \|x\|_\infty$$

2. Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be positive definite with Cholesky factor  $R$  so that  $A = R^T R$ .

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a. Verify  $\|x\|_A = \|R_x\|_2 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

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$$\Rightarrow (x^T A x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \|R_x\|_2$$

$$(x^T A x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (x^T R^T R x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = ((R x)^T R x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

For clarity, let  $u = R x$ . Since  $R x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$(R x)^T R x = u^T u$  is the dot product of  $u$  and itself.

$$\text{Thus } (u^T u)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \|u\|_2.$$

$$\text{So } (x^T A x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \|R x\|_2 \Rightarrow \|x\|_A = \|R x\|_2 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

b. Prove that  $\|\cdot\|_2$  being a norm on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  implies that  $\|\cdot\|_A$  is a norm on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

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For  $\|x\|_A$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is necessarily positive definite and may be decomposed into its Cholesky factorization  $A = R^T R$ .

Reversing steps in (a), any  $\ell_2$ -norm  $\|u\|_2$  of  $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$  can be written instead as  $(u \cdot u)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (u^T u)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . Considering  $u = R x \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$((R x)^T (R x))^{\frac{1}{2}} = (x^T R^T R x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (x^T A x)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \|x\|_A.$$

Since  $\|x\|_A$  is therefore an  $\ell_2$ -norm of  $R x$ , it also a norm on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

3. Prove that  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$\|x\|_{\infty} \leq \|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_2 \leq n \|x\|_{\infty}$$

$$\max_i |x_i| \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| \leq \sqrt{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq n \left( \max_i |x_i| \right)$$

Consider  $\|x\|_2^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2$ . By Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| = \|x\|_1 \|x\|_1 = \|x\|_1^2$$

Since  $\|x\|_2^2 \leq \|x\|_1^2$ ,  $\|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1$

Then consider  $\|x\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| = \sum_{i=1}^n |u_i v_i|$  where  $u_i = 1 \forall i$  and  $v_i = x_i$ .

By Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality,  $\sum_{i=1}^n |u_i v_i| \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |u_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |v_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

so  $\|x\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|v\|_2 \Rightarrow \|x\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_2$

Therefore  $\|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_2$

Consider the case in which  $\lambda = \max_i |x_i|$  is the only nonzero element of  $x$ . In this case  $\|x\|_2 = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = (\lambda^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \lambda$ .

Even in the case that  $\lambda = 0$ , this implies  $\lambda \leq \|x\|_2$ . This could be considered the smallest case of  $\|x\|_2$ , thus  $\max_i |x_i| \leq \|x\|_2$ .

So  $\|x\|_{\infty} \leq \|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_2$ .

Similarly, consider the case in which every element is the same.

Logically, this means each element can be called the maximum,  $\lambda$ .

Thus  $\sqrt{n} \|x\|_2 = \sqrt{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (\lambda)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{n} (n \lambda^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{n} (\sqrt{n} \lambda) = n \lambda = n (\max_i |x_i|)$

Thus  $\|x\|_{\infty} \leq \|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_2 \leq n \|x\|_{\infty}$

4. Let  $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $C = AB$ . Prove that the Frobenius norm is mutually consistent, i.e.  $\|AB\|_F \leq \|A\|_F \|B\|_F$

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Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}\|AB\|_F &= \|C\|_F = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n |C_{ij}|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \text{ Using the formula for} \\ &\text{matrix multiplication, } C_{ij} = \sum_k a_{ik} b_{kj}, \text{ } \|C\|_F \text{ may be rewritten as} \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj} \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \text{ By Cauchy Inequality for matrices,} \\ &\left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left| \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik} b_{kj} \right|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left[ \left( \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}^2 \right) \left( \sum_{k=1}^n b_{kj}^2 \right) \right] \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |a_{ik}|^2 \right) \cdot \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |b_{kj}|^2 \right) \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n |a_{ik}|^2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n |b_{kj}|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n |a_{ik}|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n |b_{kj}|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \|A\|_F \|B\|_F\end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\|C\|_F \leq \|A\|_F \|B\|_F$ , meaning the Frobenius norm is mutually consistent.

5. Prove that  $A$  has rank one iff  $A = uv^T$  for some nonzero vectors  $u, v \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Proof: Considering the rank-nullity theorem for 2 matrices  
 $A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ ,  $\overset{\dim(\text{Col}(A))}{\text{rank}(A)} + \overset{\dim(\text{Null}(A))}{\text{nullity}(A)} = n$  and  $\text{rank}(B) + \text{nullity}(B) = n$ .

Since  $\text{Col}(AB) \subseteq \text{Col}(A)$ ,  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(A)$ . Similarly, since  $\text{Null}(B) \subseteq \text{Null}(AB)$ ,  $\text{nullity}(B) \leq \text{nullity}(AB)$ .  $B$  and  $AB$  have the same number of columns, so by the rank-nullity theorem,

$$\text{rank}(AB) + \text{nullity}(AB) = \text{rank}(B) + \text{nullity}(B) = n.$$

Since  $\text{nullity}(B) \leq \text{nullity}(AB)$ , it follows that  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B)$ .

$\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(A)$  and  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \text{rank}(B)$  may be simplified to  $\text{rank}(AB) \leq \min(\text{rank}(A), \text{rank}(B)) \quad \forall A, B \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

Now considering  $\text{rank}(A) = \text{rank}(uv^T)$  and the fact that  $u \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times 1} \setminus \{0\}$

$\text{rank}(uv^T) \leq \min(\text{rank}(u), \text{rank}(v^T)) \leq 1$ . Since both  $u$  and  $v$  are nonzero vectors, they must also both have at least rank 1. Thus  $1 \leq \text{rank}(uv^T) \leq 1$ . This is a strict requirement, since otherwise,  $0 \leq \text{rank}(uv^T) \leq 1$ .

$$\text{So } \text{rank}(uv^T) = \text{rank}(A) = 1$$

6. Show that if  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is strictly upper triangular, then  $A^n = 0$ .

For  $a_{ij} \in A$ ,  $a_{ij} = 0$  for  $i \geq j$ , or equivalently,

$a_{ij} = 0$  for  $i > j-1$ .

Assume by induction that  $a_{ij}^{k-1} = 0$  for  $i > j-(k-1)$ .

Then,  $a_{ij}^k = 0$  for  $i > j-k$  such that

$$a_{ij}^k = (AA^{k-1})_{ij} = \sum_{m=1}^n a_{im} a_{mj}^{k-1}. \text{ Splitting this into two series}$$

$$\text{around } i \text{ gives } \sum_{m=1}^i a_{im} a_{mj}^{k-1} + \sum_{m=i+1}^n a_{im} a_{mj}^{k-1}.$$

For  $a_{im}$  in the first series,  $i > m-1$ , satisfying  $i > j-k$ , so

$a_{im} = 0 \quad \forall m \leq i$ . Similarly,  $a_{mj}^{k-1}$  in the second series

$m \geq i+1 > (j-k)+1 \Rightarrow m > j-(k+1)$ , so  $a_{mj}^{k-1} = 0$  by the inductive hypothesis. So,

$$a_{ij}^k = \sum_{m=1}^i 0 \cdot a_{mj}^{k-1} + \sum_{m=i+1}^n a_{im} \cdot 0 = 0 \quad \forall i, j.$$

Therefore we can say  $A^n = 0$ .



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import numpy as np
from time import perf_counter_ns

def getTridiagonalInverse(subD, mainD, supD):
    # great speedup - still room for improvement - play with indices later to
    # avoid separate loops
    n = len(mainD)
    theta = np.ones(n+1)
    psi = np.ones(n+1)
    theta[1] = mainD[0]
    psi[-2] = mainD[-1]
    for i in range(2, n+1):
        theta[i] = mainD[i-1]*theta[i-1] - supD[i-2]*subD[i-2]*theta[i-2]
    for i in range(n-2, -1, -1):
        psi[i] = mainD[i]*psi[i+1] - supD[i]*subD[i]*psi[i+2]

    Ainv = np.zeros((n,n))
    for i in range(n):
        for j in range(n):
            if i < j:
                Ainv[i,j] = (((-
1)**(i+j))*np.prod(supD[i:j])*theta[i]*psi[j+1])/theta[n]
            elif i > j:
                Ainv[i,j] = (((-
1)**(i+j))*np.prod(subD[j:i])*theta[j]*psi[i+1])/theta[n]
            else:
                Ainv[i,j] = (theta[i]*psi[j+1])/theta[n]
    return Ainv

def testInverse(A, inv):
    if not (np.allclose(np.linalg.inv(A), inv)):
        raise Exception(f'Something went wrong with new matrix inverse method')

def getTriDiagChol(subD, mainD, supD):
    n = len(mainD)
    A = np.zeros((n,n))
    diags = np.multiply(subD, supD)
    np.fill_diagonal(A, np.square(mainD))
    # works because fill_diagonal is in-place
    np.fill_diagonal(A[:n-1], 1:], diags)
    np.fill_diagonal(A[1:, :n-1], diags)
    return A

def getMatrix(subD, mainD, supD):
    n = len(mainD)

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A = np.zeros((n,n))
np.fill_diagonal(A, mainD)
# works because fill_diagonal is in-place
np.fill_diagonal(A[:n-1], 1:], supD)
np.fill_diagonal(A[1:, :n-1], subD)
return A

if __name__ == "__main__":
    subDiag = -1*np.ones(9)
    supDiag = -1*np.ones(9)
    mainDiag = 2*np.ones(10)
    B = getMatrix(subDiag, mainDiag, supDiag)

    new_inv = getTridiagonalInverse(subDiag, mainDiag, supDiag)
    testInverse(B, new_inv)
    cholFactor = getTriDiagChol(subDiag, mainDiag, supDiag)

    # a. Find condition number  $\kappa_2(B)$ 
    A_norm = np.sqrt(max(np.linalg.eigvals(cholFactor)))
    Ainv_norm = np.sqrt(max(np.linalg.eigvals(np.matmul(new_inv.T, new_inv))))
    condNumber = A_norm*Ainv_norm
    print(f'condition number  $\kappa_2(B)$ : {condNumber}')
    # b. Find the smallest ( $\lambda_{\min}$ ) and the largest eigenvalues ( $\lambda_{\max}$ ) of B to
    #compute the ratio  $\lambda_{\max}/\lambda_{\min}$ .
    eigenvals = np.linalg.eigvals(B)
    eigenvalRatio = max(eigenvals)/min(eigenvals)
    print(f'ratio  $\lambda_{\max}/\lambda_{\min}$ : {eigenvalRatio}')
    # c. compare the above results
    print('conclusion: ratio > condition number')

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Output:

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condition number  $\kappa_2(B)$ : 30.030550668916735
ratio  $\lambda_{\max}/\lambda_{\min}$ : 48.37415007870826
conclusion: ratio > condition number

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