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For any real numbers a, b

$$ab \leq \frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^2}{2}, \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$
$$1 \leq p \leq \infty.$$

Hölder's Inequality

Let p and q be +ve real numbers satisfying $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

For any $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ and

$y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$ in K^n ,

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i \right| \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |y_i|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

Proof: For $x \in K^n$, let
 $\|x\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$.

Clearly above inequality is true
for any $x \neq 0$.

So assume that $x \neq 0$ & $y \neq 0$.

$$\Rightarrow \|x\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x(i)|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \neq 0$$

and $\|y\|_2 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |y(i)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \neq 0$

Let $a = \frac{|x(i)|}{\|x\|_p}$, $b = \frac{|y(i)|}{\|y\|_2}$.

Then using

$$ab \leq \frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^2}{2}, \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{2} = 1$$

we have

$$\frac{|x(i)|}{\|x\|_p} \frac{|y(i)|}{\|y\|_2} \leq \frac{1}{p} \frac{|x(i)|^p}{\|x\|_p} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{|y(i)|^2}{\|y\|_2}$$

Take the summation from $i = 1$ to n ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \frac{(x c_i) y(c_i)}{\|x\|_p \|y\|_2} \right| &\leq \frac{1}{p} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|(x c_i)|^p}{\|x\|_p^p} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|(y c_i)|^2}{\|y\|_2^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{p} \frac{\|x\|_p^p}{\|(x c_i)\|_p^p} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\|y\|_2^2}{\|(y c_i)\|_2^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{2} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{i=1}^n |(x c_i) y(c_i)| \leq \|x\|_p \|y\|_2,$$

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{2} = 1.$$

Theorem: For $1 \leq p < \infty$, let

$$\|x\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x c_i|^p \right)^{1/p}. \quad \text{Then}$$

$\|\cdot\|_p$ is a norm on K^n .

Proof : For $p \geq 1$, the theorem follows from the left class.

Now assume $1 < p < \infty$, $x, y \in \mathbb{K}^n$

Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \|x+y\|_p^p &= \sum_{i=1}^n |x(i) + y(i)|^p \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n |x(i)| |x(i) + y(i)|^{p-1} |x(i) + y(i)| \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n |x(i)| |x(i) + y(i)|^{p-1} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n |y(i)| |x(i) + y(i)|^{p-1} . \end{aligned}$$

Now by Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n |x(i)| |x(i) + y(i)|^{p-1} &\leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x(i)|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n (|x(i) + y(i)|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} \right)^p \end{aligned}$$

$$= \|x\|_p \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_{i1}| + |y_{i1}| \right)^{\frac{1}{p-1}}$$

$$= \|x\|_p \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_{ij}| + |y_{ij}| \right)^{\frac{1}{p-1}} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{since } \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \\ p-1 = q-1 \\ p-1+q-1 = p \end{array}$$

$$= \|x\|_p \cdot \left[\|x+y\|_p^p \right]^{\frac{1}{q}} \quad [p-1+q-1=p]$$

$$= \|x\|_p \cdot \|x+y\|_p^{\frac{p}{q}}$$

$\|xy\|$ we can show that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |y_{ij}| \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_{ij}| + |y_{ij}| \right)^{\frac{p}{p-1}}$$

$$\leq \|y\|_p \cdot \|x+y\|_p^{\frac{p}{q}}$$

Substituting these in ①, we get

$$\|x+y\|_p^p \leq [\|x\|_p + \|y\|_p] \|x+y\|_p^{\frac{p}{q}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x+y\|_p^{p(1-\frac{1}{q})} \leq \|x\|_p + \|y\|_p.$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x+y\|_p \leq \|x\|_p + \|y\|_p.$$

Now for any $\alpha \in K$,

$$\begin{aligned}\|\alpha x\|_p &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\alpha|^p |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= |\alpha| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= |\alpha| \|x\|_p.\end{aligned}$$

$\because |x_i| \geq 0 \quad \forall i = 1, \dots, n$

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \|x\|_p \geq 0.$$

$$\|x\|_p = 0 \Leftrightarrow \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p} = 0$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |x_i| = 0, \forall i = 1 \dots n$$

$$\Rightarrow x_i = 0, i = 1 \dots n$$

$$\Rightarrow x = (0, \dots, 0)$$

$\therefore (\mathbb{K}^n, \|\cdot\|_p)$ is a normed linear space.

* For $p = 2$, $\|\cdot\|_2$ is called Euclidean norm on \mathbb{K}^n .

Remark:— For $n \geq 1, 0 < p < 1$,

$\|x\|_p = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p}$ is not a

norm on \mathbb{K}^n .

$$\because e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$$

$$e_2 = (0, 1, \dots, 0)$$

$$\|e_1\|_p = 1 = \|e_2\|_p$$

$$\|e_1 + e_2\|_p = 2^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$\therefore \|e_1 + e_2\|_p = 2^{\frac{1}{p}} > 2 = \|e_1\|_p + \|e_2\|_p$$

Now we consider P norm on $C[a, b]$.

Theorem (Holder's inequality)

Let p and q be positive real numbers satisfying $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

Then for all $x, y \in C[a, b]$,

$$\int_a^b |x(t)y(t)| dt \leq \left(\int_a^b |x(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_a^b |y(t)|^q dt \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

$$\text{Proof: } \text{Let } \|x\|_p = \left(\int_a^b |x(t)|^p dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty.$$

Proof follows by replacing the summation by integration in the previous theorem.

* Using above Holder's inequality we can show that

$C[a, b]$ is normed linear space with the norm

$$\|x\|_p = \left(\int_a^b |x(t)|^p dt \right)^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty.$$

* If $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, we say p is the conjugate of q and vice versa.

$$\begin{aligned} \|x+y\|_p^p &= \int_a^b |x(t)+y(t)|^p dt \\ &= \int_a^b |x(t)|^p + |y(t)|^p + 2|x(t)||y(t)|^{p-1} |x(t)+y(t)| dt \end{aligned}$$

$$(\|x\|_p = 0 \Rightarrow x = 0)$$

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Ex: let Ω be any nonempty set.

Denote $B(\Omega)$ the set of all bounded functions on Ω .

It is a vector space w.r.t addition and scalar multiplication

$$x, y \in B(\Omega),$$

$$(x+y)(t) = x(t) + y(t).$$

$$(\lambda x)(t) = \lambda x(t), \quad \lambda \in K.$$

We denote $B(\Omega) = \ell^\infty(\Omega)$.

For $x \in B(\Omega)$, Define

$$\|x\|_\infty = \sup_{t \in \Omega} |x(t)|.$$

Then $B(\mathbb{N})$ is a normed linear space w.r.t the norm $\|\cdot\|_\infty$.

In particular, if $n = N$,

then $B(N) = \ell^\infty(N)$ is normed linear space wrt

$$\|\alpha\|_\infty = \lim_{n \in N} |\alpha(n)|, \quad \alpha \in B(N).$$

* $C[a, b]$, $R[a, b]$ are subspaces of $B([a, b])$.