

Problem 1

For a real $n \times n$ matrix M define $\|M\| = \sup_{0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|xM\|}{\|x\|}$. Then

1. $\|M + N\| \leq \|M\| + \|N\|$
2. $\|MN\| \leq \|M\|\|N\|$
3. $\|M\| = \max_i \left(\sum_j |M[i, j]| \right)$
4. If M is a transition probability matrix i.e. all entries are non negative and the sum of entries in each row is 1, then $\|M\| = 1$
5. If all entries of M are bounded in absolute value by ϵ then $\|M\| \leq n\epsilon$

Solution:

1. For any $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we have $\|x(M + N)\| = \|xM + xN\| \leq \|xM\| + \|xN\|$. Hence after taking supremum over all nonzero $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we have $\|M + N\| \leq \|M\| + \|N\|$.
2. We have $\|M\| = \sup_{0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|xM\|}{\|x\|}$. Hence we have for any $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ $\|xM\| \leq \|M\|\|x\|$. So now

$$\begin{aligned} \|MN\| &= \sup_{0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|x(MN)\|}{\|x\|} = \sup_{0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|(xM)N\|}{\|x\|} \leq \sup_{0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|xM\| \|N\|}{\|x\|} \\ &= \left(\sup_{0 \neq x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|xM\|}{\|x\|} \right) \|N\| = \|M\| \|N\| \end{aligned}$$

3. Let's denote the rows of M by M_1, \dots, M_n . Then for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|xM\| &= \left\| \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \cdot M_j \right\| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n \|x_j \cdot M_j\| \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n |x_j| \cdot \|M_j\| \\ &\leq \max \{ \|M_j\| : 1 \leq j \leq n \} \left(\sum_{j=1}^n |x_j| \right) \\ &= \max \{ \|M_j\| : 1 \leq j \leq n \} \cdot \|x\| \end{aligned}$$

That shows that

$$\|M\|_1 \leq \max \{ \|M_j\| : 1 \leq j \leq n \},$$

Let k is the index for which the column sum of M has maximum. Then choosing $x = e_k$ shows the opposite inequality. Hence we have the equality

4. By the previous part $\|M\| = \max_i \left(\sum_j |M[i, j]| \right)$. Since for each row of M the row sum is 1 we have the $\|M\| = \max_i \left(\sum_j |M[i, j]| \right) = \max_i 1 = 1$.
5. By the part (3) we have $\|M\| = \max_i \left(\sum_j |M[i, j]| \right)$. Now all entries of M is bounded by ϵ in absolute value. So each rowsum is bounded by $n\epsilon$ in absolutevalue. Hence $\|M\| \leq n\epsilon$.

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