

MATHEMATICAL TOOLS - SOLUTION 6

Problem 1. Sketch: Let $w_n \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1}$ be the projection of v_n onto the first $d-1$ coordinates. Then $\{w_n\}$ is ℓ_1 -bounded, so by an inductive hypothesis contains a convergent subsequence w_{n_k} . Now, $\{v_{n_k}^d\} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ (i.e. the d th coordinate of v_{n_k}) is a bounded sequence, so by the one-dimensional BW theorem contains a convergent subsequence $\{v_{n_{k_\ell}}^d\}$. A simple calculation shows that $\{v_{n_{k_\ell}}\}$ converges.

Problem 2.

(1) Let $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then:

$$\|Dv\|_2 = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^n \langle v, e_i \rangle D e_i \right\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \langle v, e_i \rangle^2 \lambda_i^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \langle v, e_i \rangle^2 \max_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|} = \|v\|_2 \max_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|$$

and equality is attained for $v = e_1$.

(2) Let $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then $\|Uv\|_2 = \sqrt{\langle Uv, Uv \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle U^T U v, v \rangle} = \sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle} = \|v\|_2$.

In particular:

$$\max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n: \|x\|_2=1} \|U A x\|_2 = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n: \|x\|_2=1} \|A x\|_2$$

Problem 3.

(1) This is an immediate corollary of the result from recitation.

(2) Well, let $v \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Then:

$$\|v\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |v_i| \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2 \sum_{i=1}^n 1} = \sqrt{n} \|v\|_2$$

where the inequality follows from Cauchy-Schwarz. This is tight, because for $v = (1, 1, \dots, 1)^T$:

$$\|v\|_1 = n = \sqrt{n} \sqrt{n} = \sqrt{n} \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n 1} = \sqrt{n} \|v\|_2$$

For the other direction:

$$\|v\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n v_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} |v_i v_j|} = \sum_{i=1}^n |v_i| = \|v\|_1$$

And this is tight because $\|e_1\|_2 = \|e_1\|_1$.

(3) Let $A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$. Let $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ s.t. $\|x\|_2 = 1$. Then:

$$\|Ax\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j} x_j \right)^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n |A_{i,j} x_j| \right)^2}$$

Applying Cauchy-Schwarz:

$$\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n |A_{i,j} x_j| \right)^2} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j}^2 \right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^n x_j^2 \right)} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{i,j}^2} = \|A\|_F$$

Thus $\|A\|_{op} \leq \|A\|_F$, and this is tight: Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & & \dots \\ \dots & & & \\ 0 & & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

Then $\|A\|_{op} = \|A\|_F = 1$.

For the other direction:

$$\|A\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n A_{j,i}^2} = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \|Ae_i\|_2^2} \leq \sqrt{n \|A\|_{op}^2} = \sqrt{n} \|A\|_{op}$$

And this is tight:

$$\|I\|_F = \sqrt{n} = \sqrt{n} \|I\|_{op}$$

Problem 4. Take, for example, the discrete metric on \mathbb{R}^n : $d(v, w) = \begin{cases} 1 & v \neq w \\ 0 & v = w \end{cases}$.

This clearly isn't induced by a norm: d can only take on 0, 1, whereas, by homogeneity, a metric induced by a norm can take on non-negative real value.

Problem 5. Standard tricks of inner product spaces...

Problem 6.

- (1) Straightforward verification.
- (2) First uniqueness: Assume $w, w' \in W, u, u' \in W^\perp$ and $w + u = w' + u' = v$. Then: $0 = \langle w + u - (w' + u'), w - w' \rangle = \langle w - w', w - w' \rangle + \langle u - u', w - w' \rangle = \langle w - w', w - w' \rangle = \|w - w'\|_2^2$. Thus $w = w'$. A similar calculation shows uniqueness of u .

Existence: Let w_1, \dots, w_k be an orthonormal basis for W (exists by Gram-Schmidt). Complete it with w_{k+1}, \dots, w_n to an orthonormal basis for V (again, this is possible by Gram-Schmidt). Note that for every $i \geq k + 1$, $w_{k+1} \in W^\perp$. Let $v \in V$. We then have: $v = \sum_{i=1}^k \langle w_i, v \rangle w_i + \sum_{i=k+1}^n \langle w_i, v \rangle w_i \in W + W^\perp$.

- (3) Let $w \in S^\perp$ and let $s \in \text{span}(S)$. Then $s = \sum \alpha_i s_i$ for $s_i \in S$. Thus $\langle w, s \rangle = \sum_i \alpha_i \langle w, s_i \rangle = 0$, and so $w \in \text{span}(S)^\perp$.

Conversely, let $w \in \text{span}(S)^\perp$. Then, in particular, since $S \subseteq \text{span}(S)$, $w \in S^\perp$.

- (4) First, $(S^\perp)^\perp = (\text{span}(S)^\perp)^\perp$.

Let s_1, \dots, s_k be an orthonormal basis for $\text{span}(S)$. Complete it with s_{k+1}, \dots, s_n to an orthonormal basis for V . Note that by part 2, s_{k+1}, \dots, s_n is an orthonormal basis for S^\perp . A symmetric argument shows that s_1, \dots, s_k is an orthonormal basis for $(\text{span}(S)^\perp)^\perp$. But then $\text{span}(S) = (\text{span}(S)^\perp)^\perp$ since they have the same basis.