

Vector and Matrix Norms

ME 2004



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1.1: Vector Norms



Vector Norms

- **Norm:** measures the size or “length” of vectors/matrices

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Are P and Q similar?

- Generalized form of a vector p -norm:

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

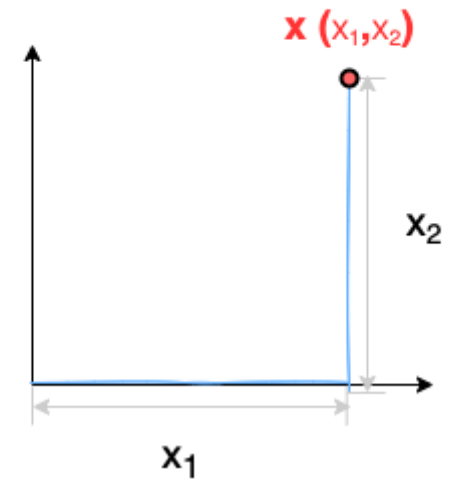
Vector Norms

- 1-norm/ L^1 norm/Manhattan norm:

$$\|X\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|$$

- “Total length” of the vector

$$\|x\|_1 = |x_1| + |x_2|$$



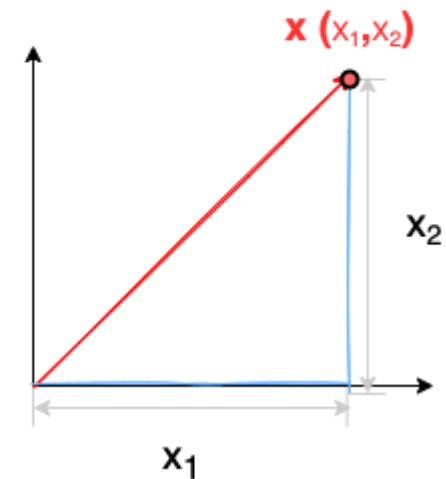
Vector Norms

- 2-norm/ L^2 norm/Euclidean norm:

$$\|X\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2}$$

- Shortest distance from the origin

$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2}$$





Vector Norms

- ∞ -norm/ L^∞ norm/max norm:

$$\|X\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |x_i|$$

- Absolute value of the largest element in the vector

Vector Norms

- Given $X = [-1, 4, 2]$, calculate the 1-norm, 2-norm, and ∞ -norm.

- 1-norm:

$$\|X\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| = 1 + 4 + 2 = \boxed{7}$$

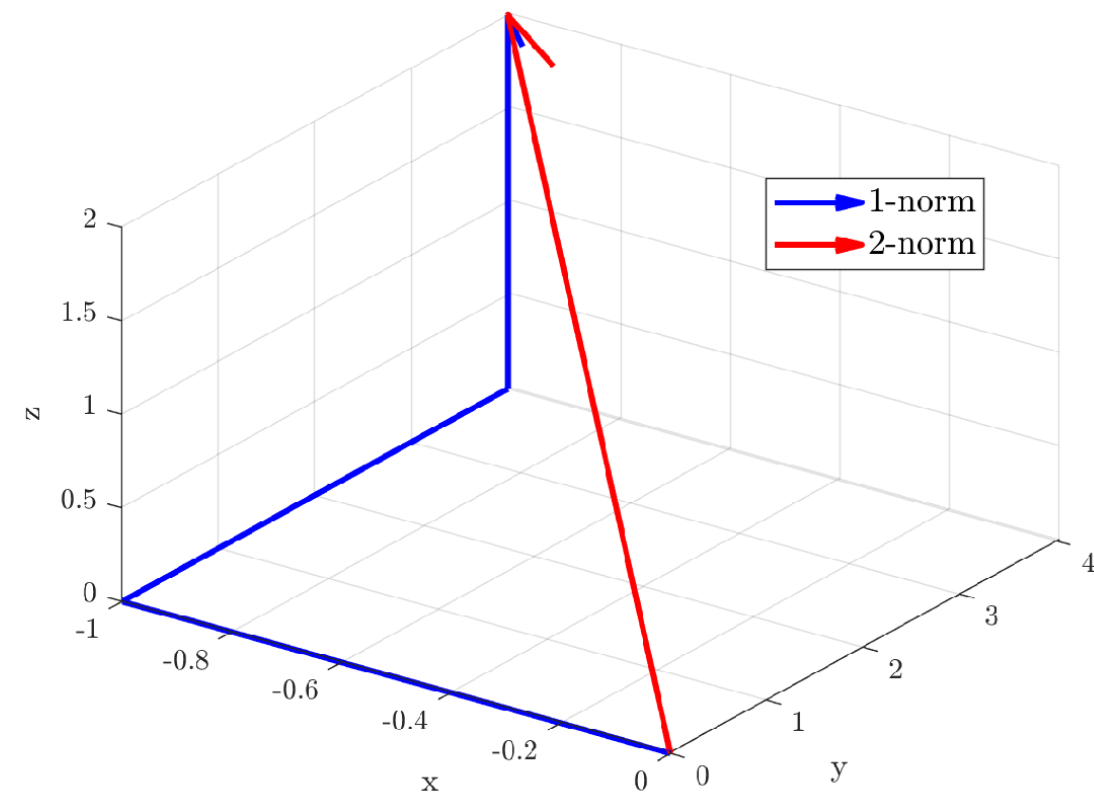
- 2-norm:

$$\|X\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^2} = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + 4^2 + 2^2} = \boxed{4.58}$$

- ∞ -norm:

$$\|X\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |x_i| = \max(-1, 2, 4) = \boxed{4}$$

Vector 1- and 2-Norms



1.2: Matrix Norms



Matrix Norms

- 1-norm/column-sum norm:

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$

- Sum the absolute values of each column, then take the largest summation

Matrix Norms

- ~~2-norm/Frobenius norm~~
- ∞ -norm/row-sum norm:

$$\|A\|_{\infty} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$

- Sum the absolute values of each row, then take the largest summation

Matrix Norms

- Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 & 8 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \\ 10 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, calculate the 1-norm and ∞ -norm.
- 1-norm:

$$\|A\|_1 = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \sum_{i=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$

$$= \max([(7 + 4 + 10) \quad (1 + 5 + 4) \quad (8 + 8 + 2)])$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\|A\|_1 = 21}$$

Matrix Norms

- Given $A = \begin{bmatrix} 7 & 1 & 8 \\ 4 & 5 & 8 \\ 10 & 4 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$, calculate the 1-norm and ∞ -norm.
- ∞ -norm:

$$\|A\|_{\infty} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \sum_{j=1}^n |a_{ij}|$$

$$= \max \left(\begin{bmatrix} (7 + 1 + 8) \\ (4 + 5 + 8) \\ (10 + 4 + 2) \end{bmatrix} \right) = \max \left(\begin{bmatrix} 16 \\ 17 \\ 16 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{\|A\|_{\infty} = 17}$$

Matrix Norms

- In [MATLAB](#):

`norm(Z, p)`

- Z = vector or matrix
- $p = 1, 2$ (default), `inf` = which norm to compute
 - Can also supply `-inf` and other positive scalars (vectors only)
 - Can also supply `'fro'` to compute matrix Frobenius norm (not used in this class)

Matrix Norms

p	Matrix	Vector
1	<code>max(sum(abs(X)))</code>	<code>sum(abs(v))</code>
2	<code>max(svd(X))</code>	<code>sum(abs(v).^2)^(1/2)</code>
Positive, real-valued numeric scalar	—	<code>sum(abs(v).^p)^(1/p)</code>
Inf	<code>max(sum(abs(X')))</code>	<code>max(abs(v))</code>
-Inf	—	<code>min(abs(v))</code>

Matrix Norms

Command Window

```
>> x = [-1 4 2];
>> x1 = norm(x,1)

x1 =

    7

>> x2 = norm(x,2)

x2 =

    4.5826

>> x_inf = norm(x,inf)

x_inf =

    4

>> x_ninf = norm(x,-inf)

x_ninf =

    1
```

Command Window

```
>> A = [7 1 8; 4 5 8; 10 4 2]

A =

    7    1    8
    4    5    8
   10    4    2

>> A1 = norm(A,1)

A1 =

   21

>> A_inf = norm(A,inf)

A_inf =

   17
```


1.3: Purpose of Norms



Applications

- Many linear algebra applications (machine learning, image classification, etc.) rely on computing the (dis)similarity between items
- Norms are useful because they’re a single number related to the size of the vector/matrix, so they can be used as a comparison metric

Norm	Application
L^1	LASSO (Least Absolute Shrinkage and Selection Operator) (machine learning)
$\ A\ _\infty$	Optimizing performance objectives (control systems)

Applications

- In MATLAB Grader (Robot Navigation):

```
56 out = norm(p_or_soln-p_or,inf) <= 1e-3;  
57 if out  
58     msg = 'Test %d passed! \n';  
59     fprintf(msg,testcase)  
60 else  
61     msg = 'Test %d failed. Check your entries in p_or again. \n';  
62 end
```

- Absolute value of the largest element in the error vector

Applications

- Condition number: measures how much the x changes if b changes slightly

$$\text{Cond}(A) = \|A\| * \|A^{-1}\| \geq 1$$

- Large condition number: small error in $b \rightarrow$ large change in x

Summary

- Norms measure the “size” of a vector/matrix
 - Useful to directly compare vectors/matrices (such as the ones in your Workshops 😊)
- Different types of norms: 1-norm, 2-norm, ∞ -norm
 - Can be computed by hand or in MATLAB

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1	<code>max(sum(abs(X)))</code>	<code>sum(abs(v))</code>
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