## **Tensors**

- Formal definition: context dependent
- Definition in this class: A linear transformation within or between vector spaces

• Example: 
$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \dots & A_{1,N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{N,1} & \dots & A_{N,N} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^N A_{1,i} & x_i \\ \vdots \\ \sum_{i=1}^N A_{N,i} & x_i \end{bmatrix}$$

- Matrix product (general form of op above):  $AB = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} A_{i,k} B_{k,j}$
- Hadamard (a.k.a. element-wise, a.k.a. Schur) product:  $(\mathbf{A} \circ \mathbf{B})_{i,j} = (A_{i,j})(B_{i,j})$

$$\mathbf{A} \circ \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1} & \dots & A_{1,N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{N,1} & \dots & A_{N,N} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} B_{1,1} & \dots & B_{1,N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ B_{N,1} & \dots & B_{N,N} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} A_{1,1}B_{1,1} & \dots & A_{1,N}B_{1,N} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ A_{N,1}B_{N,1} & \dots & A_{N,N}B_{N,N} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Vector and tensor norms

- Measure of the size, or magnitude of a vector or tensor
- Definition: The following criteria qualify  $f(\cdot)$  as a norm:
  - Positive definite:  $f(\mathbf{x}) = 0$  iff  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0}$
  - Triangle inequality:  $f(\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) \le f(\mathbf{x}) + f(\mathbf{y})$
  - Homogeneity:  $\forall \alpha \in \mathbb{R} : f(\alpha \mathbf{x}) = |\alpha| f(\mathbf{x})$
- The ones we care about are:
  - Lp norm:  $\|\mathbf{x}\|_p = \left(\sum_i |x_i|^p\right)^{1/p}$
  - Frobenius norm:  $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F = \sqrt{\sum_{i,j} A_{i,j}^2}$