

Day 11 — Summary — Equivalent Norms and Banach Spaces

1. Definition: Two norms $\|\cdot\|_a$ and $\|\cdot\|_b$ are equivalent on a vector space V if there exists $c, C > 0$ such that

$$c\|x\|_b \leq \|x\|_a \leq C\|x\|_b \quad \forall x \in V.$$

2. All norms on finite dimensional vector spaces, e.g. \mathbb{R}^n , are equivalent.
3. In infinite dimensional vector spaces, some pairs of norms are not equivalent.
4. Definition: A sequence x_n in a normed vector space is Cauchy if

$$\forall \varepsilon \exists N \text{ such that } n, m \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_n - x_m\| < \varepsilon.$$

5. In a normed vector space, we say that x_n converges to x if $\forall \varepsilon \exists N$ such that $n \geq N \Rightarrow \|x_n - x\| < \varepsilon$.
We write this as $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$
6. Definition: A vector space is complete if any Cauchy sequence converges to an element in the set.
7. Definition: A Banach space is a complete normed vector space.
8. Definition: \mathbb{R}^n is a Banach space under the ℓ_∞ norm. By equivalence of norms on finite dimensional spaces, it is a Banach space under any norm.

1) Equivalent norms

Background: Norms are used to define a notion of convergence, completeness, open sets, etc.

Some pairs of norms will produce same notion of convergence, completeness, some will produce different notions.

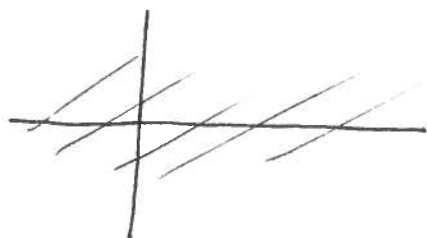
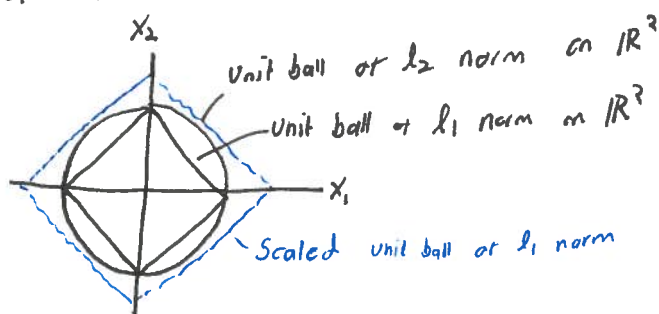
eg a seq may converge in one norm but not another

Idea: Two norms are equivalent when all norm-defined notions are the same.

eg a seq x_n conv in one norm \Leftrightarrow seq x_n conv in other norm

Dfn: $\|\cdot\|_a$ equivalent to $\|\cdot\|_b$ iff $\exists c, C$ st $c\|x\|_b \leq \|x\|_a \leq C\|x\|_b$

Visualization: Unit ball of each norm is contained in some multiple of unit ball of the other



3) Example: Consider vector space l_1
 (sequences $X_i \in \mathbb{R}$ st $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |X_i| < \infty$).

The l_1 norm and l_{∞} norm are not equivalent.

Pf: ~~Suffices to exhibit a sequence of~~

Suffices to exhibit ^{for any N an} X such that $\|X\|_{\infty} = 1$ $\|X\|_1 = N$

Fix N . Let $X_i = \begin{cases} 1 & i \leq N \\ 0 & i > N \end{cases}$. $\|X\|_{\infty} = 1$ $\|X\|_1 = N$

Exercise: ~~Find a set of~~ $\|X\|_1 \leq 1$ $\|X\|_2$

Exhibit a collection of X showing that l_1 and l_2 norm are not equivalent.

Example: In \mathbb{R}^n , $\|\cdot\|_1$ equivalent to $\|\cdot\|_\infty$

Proof: ~~Need to show~~ $c\|X\|_\infty \leq \|X\|_1 \leq C\|X\|_\infty$.

We will show $\|X\|_\infty \leq \|X\|_1 \leq n\|X\|_\infty$

Left inequality is immediate

Right inequality: $\|X\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \max |x_i| = n \max |x_i| = n\|X\|_\infty$.

Exercise: Find C such that $\|x\|_1 \leq C \|x\|_2$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$
— C_1 such that $\|x\|_2 \leq C_1 \|x\|_1$

Warmup:

Fix an N .
b) Find a sequence X such that $\|X\|_2 = 1$ and $\|X\|_1 = N$

a) Fix an N
Find a seq X s.t. $\|X\|_\infty = 1$ and $\|X\|_1 = N$

8) $(\mathbb{R}^n, \|\cdot\|_\infty)$ is complete.

Proof:

Consider X^i a Cauchy seq in \mathbb{R}^n under $\|\cdot\|_\infty$

$$\forall \varepsilon \exists N \text{ st } n, m \geq N \Rightarrow \|X^n - X^m\|_\infty < \varepsilon$$

As $|X_j^n - X_j^m| \leq \|X^n - X^m\|_\infty$ we have

$$\forall \varepsilon \exists N \text{ st } n, m \geq N \Rightarrow |X_j^n - X_j^m| < \varepsilon$$

So each component is Cauchy, and has limit $X_j^\infty \in \mathbb{R}$.

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Remains to show $X^i \rightarrow X^\infty$ under $\|\cdot\|_\infty$.

$$\forall \varepsilon \exists N_j \text{ st } |X_j^n - X_j^\infty| < \varepsilon \quad \forall n \geq N$$

Fix ε . Let $N = \max N_1, \dots, N_n$. Then $\|X^n - X^\infty\| < \varepsilon$ \square

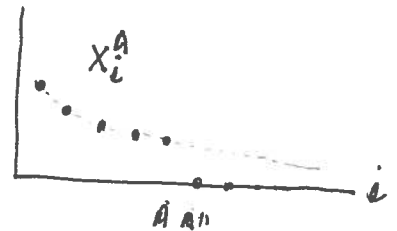
7) Example: Space that isn't complete wrt a norm

ℓ_1 not complete wrt ℓ_∞ norm

$$V = \ell_1 = \left\{ X \text{ sequence} \mid \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |x_i| < \infty \right\}$$

It suffices to exhibit Cauchy seq $X^i \in V$ that is Cauchy wrt ℓ_∞ but does not converge to anything in V .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } X_{ni}^{An} &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{ni} & \text{if } i \leq n \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ &= \mathbb{1}_{[1, n]}(i) \cdot \frac{1}{i} \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{Note: } \|X^n - X^m\|_\infty = \frac{1}{n \wedge m}$$

This seq is Cauchy. Fix ϵ . Let $N > \frac{1}{\epsilon}$.

$$\forall n, m \geq N \quad \|X^n - X^m\|_\infty \leq \frac{1}{N} < \epsilon.$$

There is no $X^\infty \in \ell_1$ such that $X^n \rightarrow X^\infty$ in ℓ_∞ .

Informally: B/c $X^n \rightarrow \left\{ \frac{1}{i} \right\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ which is not in ℓ_1

Formally: Each $X^n \in \ell_\infty$, ℓ_∞ is complete wrt ℓ_∞ norm. $X^n \rightarrow \left\{ \frac{1}{i} \right\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ in ℓ_∞ norm. Limits are unique, so if $X^n \rightarrow X^\infty \in \ell_1 \subset \ell_\infty$, $X^\infty = \left\{ \frac{1}{i} \right\}_{i=1}^{\infty} \notin \ell_1$.

Exercise: ℓ_∞ is complete under the ℓ_∞ norm.