

Vector and Matrix Norms I

- We have different types of objects: scalar, vector, matrix

How to calculate errors?

- Scalar:

absolute error:

$$|\hat{\alpha} - \alpha|$$

relative error:

$$\frac{|\hat{\alpha} - \alpha|}{|\alpha|}$$

- Vectors: vector norm

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Norm is a way to calculate the length of a vector

- l -norm:

$$\|x\|_l = \sqrt[l]{|x_1|^l + \cdots + |x_n|^l}$$

- 1-norm:

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

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- ∞ -norm: it is defined as

$$\|x\|_{\infty} \equiv \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_l$$

We can then do the following calculation

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \|x\|_l &= \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[l]{|x_1|^l + \cdots + |x_n|^l} \\ &= \max |x_j| \end{aligned}$$

Proof:

$$\sqrt[l]{(\max |x_j|)^l} \leq \sqrt[l]{|x_1|^l + \cdots + |x_n|^l} \leq \sqrt[l]{n(\max |x_j|)^l}$$

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- Example:

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 100 \\ 9 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.1 \\ 99 \\ 11 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\|\hat{x} - x\|_{\infty} = 2, \quad \frac{\|\hat{x} - x\|_{\infty}}{\|x\|_{\infty}} = 0.02, \quad \frac{\|\hat{x} - x\|_{\infty}}{\|\hat{x}\|_{\infty}} = 0.0202$$

$$\|\hat{x} - x\|_2 = 2.238, \quad \frac{\|\hat{x} - x\|_2}{\|x\|_2} = 0.0223, \quad \frac{\|\hat{x} - x\|_2}{\|\hat{x}\|_2} = 0.0225$$

- For l -norm, we say that **all norms are equivalent**

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- For l_1 and l_2 norms, there exist c_1 and c_2 such that

$$c_1 \|x\|_{l_1} \leq \|x\|_{l_2} \leq c_2 \|x\|_{l_1}$$

for all $x \in R^n$

- Example:

$$\|x\|_2 \leq \|x\|_1 \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_2 \quad (1)$$

$$\|x\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_2 \leq \sqrt{n} \|x\|_\infty \quad (2)$$

$$\|x\|_\infty \leq \|x\|_1 \leq n \|x\|_\infty \quad (3)$$

Proofs are omitted as they are easy

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- Therefore, you can just choose a norm for your convenience
- Matrix norm: How to define the distance between two matrices?
- Usually a norm should satisfy

$$\begin{aligned}\|A\| &\geq 0 \\ \|A + B\| &\leq \|A\| + \|B\| \\ \|\alpha A\| &= |\alpha| \|A\|,\end{aligned}\tag{4}$$

where α is a scalar

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- Definition:

$$\|A\|_l \equiv \max_{x \neq 0} \frac{\|Ax\|_l}{\|x\|_l} = \max_{\|x\|_l=1} \|Ax\|_l$$

- Proof of (4)

$$\begin{aligned} \|A + B\| &= \max_{\|x\|=1} \|(A + B)x\| \\ &\leq \max_{\|x\|=1} (\|Ax\| + \|Bx\|) \leq \max_{\|x\|=1} \|Ax\| + \max_{\|x\|=1} \|Bx\| \end{aligned}$$

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- From this definition,

$$\frac{\|Ax\|}{\|x\|} \leq \|A\|, \forall x$$

so

$$\|Ax\| \leq \|A\| \|x\|$$