



Linear Algebra

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Lecture 4

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Today

- Norm of vectors
- Distances
- Examples

Refresher on Linear functions

Which of the functions above is affine and why (or why not)?

Max \Rightarrow last lecture

counterexample $n=2$
 $f(\alpha \vec{x} + \beta \vec{y}) \neq \alpha f(\vec{x}) + \beta f(\vec{y})$

- Minimum: The min element of an n-vector $|\vec{x}\rangle$, $f(\vec{x}) = \min\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$

- The average of the entries of the vectors with odd indices, minus the average of the entries of the vector with even indices (assume $n=2k$ is even)

$\langle \vec{w}, \vec{x} \rangle$

$\vec{w} = (1, -1, 1, -1, \dots) \cdot 1/2k$

$f(\vec{x}) = \frac{x_1 + x_3 - x_2 - x_4}{2}$

$(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = \vec{x}$

Norm

Euclidean norm of n -vector \vec{x} , $\|\vec{x}\|$

$$\|x\|_2 = \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2} = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$$

Norm examples

$$\left\| \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \right\| = ? \quad \sqrt{2^2 + (-1)^2 + 2^2} = \sqrt{4+1+4} = \sqrt{9} = 3$$

When vector is 1-dim? (scalar) absolute value

When vector is unit? $\Rightarrow 1$ $[\vec{e}_1, \vec{e}_2, \dots, \vec{e}_n]$

Norm Properties: def: \vec{v} is a unit vector if $\|\vec{v}\|_2 = 1$

• Nonnegative homogeneity: $\|\beta \vec{x}\| = |\beta| \|\vec{x}\|$

• Triangle inequality: $\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\| \leq \|\vec{x}\| + \|\vec{y}\|$

• Non-negativity: $\|\vec{x}\| \geq 0$

• Definiteness: $\|\vec{x}\| = 0$ only if $\vec{x} = \vec{0}$

verify: $\|\vec{x}\| = 0 \Rightarrow x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 = 0 \Rightarrow x_i^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \vec{x} = \vec{0}$

positive definiteness

function $\mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Norm

Root-mean-square value. (RMS)

$$\text{rms}(\vec{x}) = \sqrt{\frac{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2}{n}} = \frac{\|\vec{x}\|}{\sqrt{n}}$$

tells us what a "typical" value of $|x_i|$ is

$$\vec{1}, \quad \|\vec{1}\| = ? \quad \sqrt{1^2 + \dots + 1^2} = \sqrt{n}$$

$$\text{RMS}(\vec{1}) = ? \quad |$$

$$\text{if } \vec{v} = (a, a, \dots, a), \quad \text{RMS}(\vec{v}) = |a|$$

Norm of Sum: $\|\vec{x} + \vec{y}\|^2 = (\vec{x} + \vec{y})^T (\vec{x} + \vec{y}) =$

$$= \underbrace{\vec{x}^T \vec{x}} + \underbrace{\vec{x}^T \vec{y} + \vec{y}^T \vec{x}} + \underbrace{\vec{y}^T \vec{y}} =$$
$$= \|\vec{x}\|^2 + 2\vec{x}^T \vec{y} + \|\vec{y}\|^2$$

Norm

Norm of block vectors $\vec{d} = \begin{pmatrix} \vec{a} \\ \vec{b} \\ \vec{c} \end{pmatrix}$ or $\vec{a}: 2 \text{ dim}$
 $\vec{b}: 3 \text{ dim}$
 $\vec{c}: 10 \text{ dim}$

$$\vec{d} = (\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c})$$

$$\rightarrow \|\vec{d}\|^2 = \vec{d}^T \vec{d} = \vec{a}^T \vec{a} + \vec{b}^T \vec{b} + \vec{c}^T \vec{c} = \|\vec{a}\|^2 + \|\vec{b}\|^2 + \|\vec{c}\|^2$$

$$\|\vec{d}\| = \underbrace{\|(\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c})\|}_{15\text{-dim}} = \underbrace{\sqrt{\|\vec{a}\|^2 + \|\vec{b}\|^2 + \|\vec{c}\|^2}}_{\uparrow} = \underbrace{\|(\underbrace{\|\vec{a}\|}_{\uparrow}, \underbrace{\|\vec{b}\|}_{\uparrow}, \underbrace{\|\vec{c}\|}_{\uparrow})\|}_{3\text{-dim}}$$

$$\vec{d} = (\vec{a}, \vec{b}, \vec{c})$$

$$\text{but: } \|\vec{d}\| = \|\vec{k}\|$$

$$\vec{k} = (\|\vec{a}\|, \|\vec{b}\|, \|\vec{c}\|)$$

Norm

Chebyshev inequality: \vec{x} n-vector

assume k of its entries satisfy $x_i^2 \geq a^2$
 $|x_i| \geq a, a > 0$

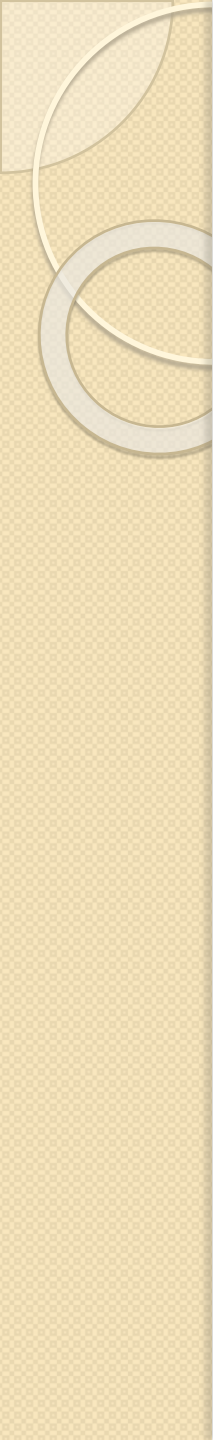
$$\|\vec{x}\|^2 = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 \geq ka^2 \Rightarrow \boxed{k \leq \frac{\|\vec{x}\|^2}{a^2}} \text{ Chebyshev}$$

• $\frac{\|\vec{x}\|^2}{a^2} \geq n \Rightarrow$ nothing new
 ($k \leq n$)

• $\|\vec{x}\|^2 < a^2 \xrightarrow{\text{Chebyshev}} k \leq \frac{\|\vec{x}\|^2}{a^2} < 1, \Rightarrow k = 0$

$$\boxed{\frac{k}{n} < \left(\frac{\text{RMS}(\vec{x})}{a} \right)^2}$$

Q: how many entries of \vec{x} can exceed its RMS value by more than a factor of 5?



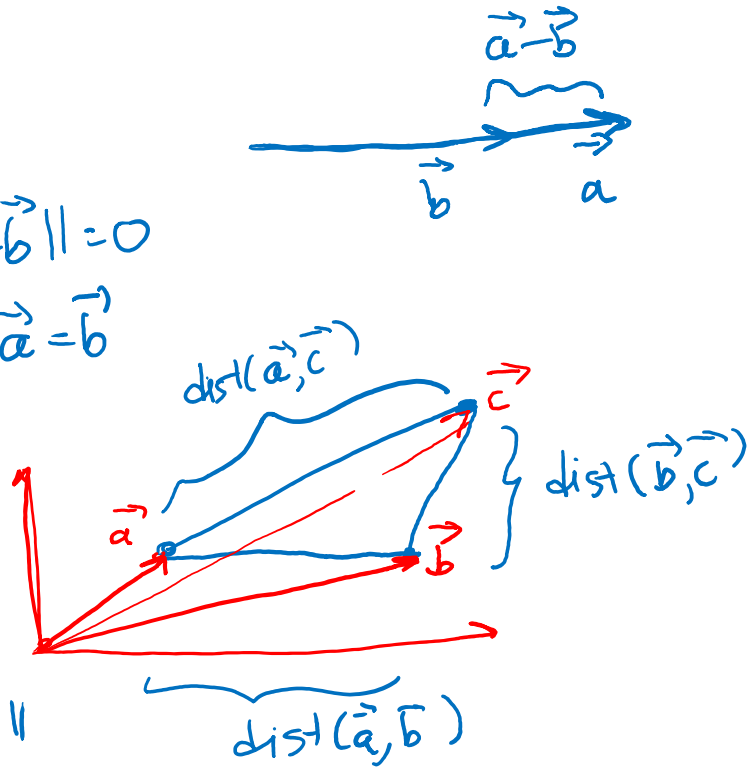
Distance

$$\text{dist}(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) = \|\vec{a} - \vec{b}\|$$

$$\text{dist}(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) = 0 \quad ? \quad \|\vec{a} - \vec{b}\| = 0$$

$$\text{if } \vec{a} - \vec{b} = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \vec{a} = \vec{b}$$

• Triangle



$$\text{dist}(\vec{a}, \vec{b}) = \|\vec{a} - \vec{b}\|$$

$$\text{dist}(\vec{b}, \vec{c}) = \|\vec{b} - \vec{c}\|$$

$$\text{dist}(\vec{a}, \vec{c}) = \|\vec{a} - \vec{c}\|$$

$$\|\vec{a} - \vec{c}\| \leq \|\vec{a} - \vec{b}\| + \|\vec{b} - \vec{c}\| \quad (\text{triangle ineq. for the actual triangle})$$

follows from (3): $\|\vec{a} - \vec{c}\| = \|(\vec{a} - \vec{b}) + (\vec{b} - \vec{c})\| \leq \|\vec{a} - \vec{b}\| + \|\vec{b} - \vec{c}\|$



Distance

Distance

$$u = \begin{bmatrix} 1.8 \\ 2.0 \\ -3.7 \\ 4.7 \end{bmatrix}, \quad v = \begin{bmatrix} 0.6 \\ 2.1 \\ 1.9 \\ -1.4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad w = \begin{bmatrix} 2.0 \\ 1.9 \\ -4.0 \\ 4.6 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Distance

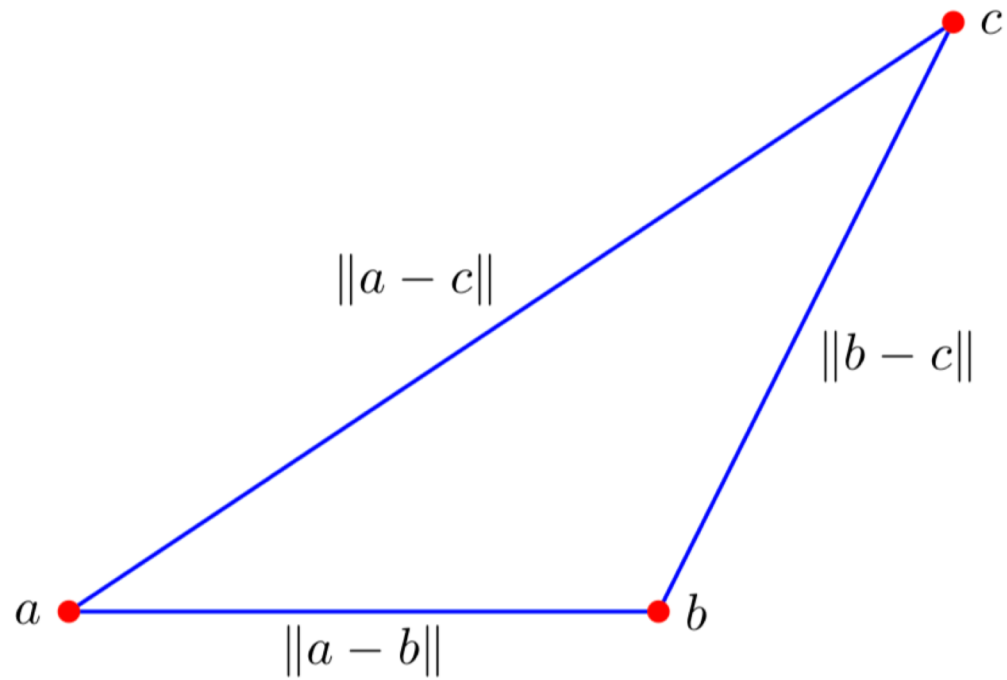


Figure 3.2 Triangle inequality.