

Functions of matrices.

Recall that in our application to an ODE IVP

$$y' = Ay, \quad y(0) = y_0,$$

with diagonalizable $A = M \Lambda M^{-1}$, $\Lambda = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_m \end{pmatrix}$, we found the solution $y = e^{At} y_0$, where

$$e^{At} = M \begin{pmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t} & 0 \\ 0 & e^{\lambda_m t} \end{pmatrix} M^{-1},$$

and $\sigma(A)$ is critical in determining the behavior of solutions.

Important note: $\lambda \in \sigma(A) \iff e^{\lambda t} \in \sigma(e^{At})$.

We want to use the Jordan form to generalize this to non-diagonalizable matrices and broader classes of functions.

Begin with polynomials in A and prove the iconic Cayley-Hamilton Theorem.

Suppose $A = M J M^{-1}$, where $J = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 0 \\ 0 & J_r \end{pmatrix}$ and each J_i is $d_i \times d_i$ and of the form

$$J_i = \begin{cases} (\lambda_i) & \text{if } d_i = 1 \\ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \ddots & 1 \\ 0 & & \lambda_i \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } d_i > 1 \end{cases}$$

With each J_i , there is a natural invariant subspace of J , viz., $\mathcal{L}_i = \text{set of all vectors with only zero components outside the block corresponding to } J_i$.

Note that $B(\mathcal{L}_i) = \{Bs : s \in \mathcal{L}_i\} = \{0\}$ for $1 \leq i \leq r \iff B = 0$.

See: $A^k = \underbrace{MJM^{-1} \dots MJM^{-1}}_{k \text{ times}} = MJ^k M^{-1} = M \begin{pmatrix} I_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & I_l^k \end{pmatrix} M^{-1},$

So if $p(z) = a_0 + a_1 z + \dots + a_r z^r$, then

$$\begin{aligned} p(A) &= a_0 I + a_1 A + \dots + a_r A^r \\ &= M \begin{pmatrix} p(I_1) & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & p(I_l) \end{pmatrix} M^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Suppose $p(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$ is the characteristic polynomial of A . Then

$$\begin{aligned} p(\lambda) &= \det(M^{-1}AM - \lambda M^{-1}M) = \det(I - \lambda I) \\ &= (-1)^n \prod_{i=1}^l (\lambda - \lambda_i)^{l_i} \end{aligned}$$

Consider $p(A)$: We have

$$\begin{aligned} p(A) &= (-1)^n \prod_{i=1}^l (A - \lambda_i I)^{l_i} = (-1)^n \prod_{i=1}^l [M(I - \lambda_i I)M^{-1}]^{l_i} \\ &= (-1)^n M \left\{ \prod_{i=1}^l (I - \lambda_i I)^{l_i} \right\} M^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

See: $(I_i - \lambda_i I)^{l_i} = \begin{cases} (0) & \text{if } l_i = 1 \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots \\ 0 & & 0 \end{pmatrix}^{l_i} = 0 & \text{if } l_i > 1 \end{cases}$

$\uparrow$
 $l_i \times l_i$

So $(I - \lambda_i I)^{l_i} (\lambda_j) = \{0\}$.

It follows that $\left\{ \prod_{i=1}^l (I - \lambda_i I)^{l_i} \right\} (\lambda_j) = \{0\}$ for $1 \leq j \leq l$; hence

$$\left\{ \prod_{i=1}^l (I - \lambda_i I)^{l_i} \right\} = 0 \Rightarrow p(A) = 0.$$

We have proved

Cayley-Hamilton Theorem: If A is a square matrix and $\phi(\lambda) = \det(A - \lambda I)$ is its characteristic polynomial, then $\phi(A) = 0$.

For $n \times n$ A , this says that the n^2 entries in A concurrently satisfy n^2 polynomial equations!

Now consider $f(A)$ for more general f .

Consider a power series $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$.

Define $\rho_f = \frac{1}{\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |a_k|^{1/k}} = \text{radius of convergence.}$

Analysis fact: $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \begin{cases} \text{converges if } |z| < \rho_f \\ \text{diverges if } |z| > \rho_f \end{cases}$

In general, may have $\rho_f = 0$ (converges only for $z=0$) or $\rho_f = \infty$ (converges for all z).

Def. $f(z)$ is analytic near $z=0$ if

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \text{ for } 0 \leq |z| < \rho_f. \quad (*)$$

In this case, f is infinitely differentiable, and $a_k = f^{(k)}(0)/k!$, i.e., f can be expressed as a convergent Taylor series near $z=0$.

Suppose $(*)$ holds. What can we say about $f(A) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k A^k$?

Suppose $A = M J M^{-1}$, $J = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 0 \\ 0 & J_2 \end{pmatrix}$ with $J_i \sim l_i \times l_i$

and $J_i = \begin{cases} (\lambda_i) & \text{if } l_i = 1, \\ \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_i & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & \lambda_i \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } l_i > 1. \end{cases}$

As before, $A^k = M J^k M^{-1} = M \begin{pmatrix} J_1^k & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & J_\ell^k \end{pmatrix}.$

look closely at J_i^k :

$$J_i^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i^2 & 2\lambda_i & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & 2\lambda_i & 1 \\ 0 & & & \lambda_i^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$J_i^3 = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i^3 & 3\lambda_i^2 & 3\lambda_i & 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & \ddots & 3\lambda_i & 1 \\ & & & 3\lambda_i^2 & 3\lambda_i \\ 0 & & & & \lambda_i^3 \end{pmatrix}$$

and for large k ,

$$J_i^k = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_i^k & b_{1k} \lambda_i^{k-1} & b_{2k} \lambda_i^{k-1} & \dots & b_{\ell_i, k} \lambda_i^{k-\ell_i+1} \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ & & \ddots & b_{2k} \lambda_i^{k-1} & b_{1k} \lambda_i^{k-1} \\ & & & \ddots & \lambda_i^k \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$b_{jk} = \frac{k!}{j!(k-j)!}$$

Easy to see that $1 \leq b_{jk} \leq k^j$ for large j , so

$$1 \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{jk}^{1/k} \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{jk}^{1/k} \leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (k^j)^{1/k} = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} b_{jk}^{1/k} = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } f(A) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k A^k = M \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k J^k \right) M^{-1} \\ &= M \begin{pmatrix} f(J_1) & & \\ & \ddots & \\ & & f(J_r) \end{pmatrix} M^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

where $f(J_i) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k J_i^k$. The entries in the upper triangle of $f(J_i)$ are $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k b_{jk} \lambda_i^{k-j}$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |a_k b_{jk} \lambda_i^{k-j}|^{1/k} &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |a_k|^{1/k} |b_{jk}|^{1/k} |\lambda_i^{k-j}|^{1/k} \\ &= \frac{|\lambda_i|}{\rho_*}. \end{aligned}$$

So the power series for $f(A)$ converges

$$\Leftrightarrow \frac{|\lambda_i|}{\rho_*} < 1 \text{ for each } i \Leftrightarrow \rho(A) < \rho_*.$$

Note that if the series converges, then the eigenvalues of $f(A)$ are just $f(\lambda_1), \dots, f(\lambda_r)$, i.e., $\sigma(f(A)) = f(\sigma(A))$.

Summarize all this in the

Spectral Mapping Theorem. Suppose that $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ is such that

$$\rho_* = \frac{1}{\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |a_k|^{1/k}} > 0.$$

If $A \in \mathbb{F}^{n \times n}$ is such that $\rho(A) < \rho_*$, then

$$f(A) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k A^k$$

converges, and $\sigma(f(A)) = f(\sigma(A))$.

Norms and Inner Products

until now, everything we've done has been strictly, algebraic. Now, will introduce topology on vector spaces (convergence, open & closed sets, continuity of functions, etc.). This will be done through norms.

Suppose V is a vector space over $\mathbb{F}$ ($\mathbb{R}$ or $\mathbb{C}$ as always).

Def. A norm on V is a function $\|\cdot\|: V \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$(1) \quad \|x\| \geq 0 \quad \forall x \in V, \text{ and } \|x\| = 0 \iff x = 0.$$

$$(2) \quad \|\alpha x\| = |\alpha| \|x\| \quad \forall x \in V, \alpha \in \mathbb{F}.$$

$$(3) \quad \|x+y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| \quad \forall x, y \in V. \quad (\text{triangle inequality})$$

Examples: For $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ or $\mathbb{C}^n$,

$$(1) \quad \|x\|_1 = \sum_i |x_i|, \quad (2) \quad \|x\|_\infty = \max_i |x_i|, \quad (3) \quad \|x\|_p = \left(\sum_i |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty.$$

(1) and (2) are clearly norms. (3) clearly satisfies the first two norm properties; however, the triangle inequality is not obvious. For general p , proving the triangle inequality for $\|\cdot\|_p$ requires the Hölder and Minkowski inequalities. For the special case $p=2$ (the Euclidean norm), the triangle inequality follows from Schwarz's Inequality. We will show this later when we introduce inner products.

Examples: Have analogs of these norms on $C[0,1]$.

$$(1) \quad \|f\|_1 = \int_0^1 |f(x)| dx, \quad (2) \quad \|f\|_\infty = \max_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |f(x)|, \quad (3) \quad \|f\|_p = \left(\int_0^1 |f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty.$$

With a norm $\|\cdot\|$ on V , we can discuss convergence.

Def.: $\{x_k\} \subseteq V$ converges to $x_* \in V \iff \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k - x_*\| = 0$.

Denote this by $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x_*$ and say $x_k \rightarrow x_*$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Q.: Does convergence in one norm imply convergence in another?

In general, no.

Example: Introduce $l_1 = \{ (a_1, a_2, \dots) : \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |a_i| < \infty \}$

For $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots) \in l_1$, define $\|a\|_1 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |a_i|$, $\|a\|_2 = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i} |a_i|$.

Set $e_k = (0, \dots, 0, \overset{k\text{th}}{1}, 0, \dots)$ for $k=1, 2, \dots$

Then $\|e_k\|_2 = \frac{1}{k} \rightarrow 0$, so $e_k \rightarrow 0$ in the norm $\|\cdot\|_2$.

However, $\|e_k\|_1 = 1$ for all k , so $e_k \not\rightarrow 0$ in the norm $\|\cdot\|_1$.

But in a finite dimensional vector space, convergence in any norm implies convergence in every norm. We'll work toward proving this.

Def.: Two norms $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|'$ are equivalent if $\exists m > 0, M > 0$ such that $m\|x\| \leq \|x\|' \leq M\|x\|$ $\forall x \in V$.

See: $m\|x\| \leq \|x\|' \leq M\|x\| \iff \frac{1}{M}\|x\|' \leq \|x\| \leq \frac{1}{m}\|x\|'$,

so the definition is symmetric. It is also transitive, i.e., if two norms are equivalent and one is equivalent to a third, then the other is also equivalent to the third.

Suppose that V is finite-dimensional with $\dim V = n$, and let $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ be a basis for V .

Lemma 8.1 Suppose $\|\cdot\|$ is a norm on V and $\{x_k = \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ik} v_i\} \subseteq V$.

If $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_{ik} = x_i^*$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$, then for $x_* = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^* v_i$,

$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|x_k - x_*\| = 0$, i.e., $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x_*$.

Proof: We have

$$\|x_k - x_*\| = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m (\alpha_{ik} - \alpha_i^*) v_i \right\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m |\alpha_{ik} - \alpha_i^*| \|v_i\|$$

$\rightarrow 0$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Recall: For $a = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}^m$, we have $\|a\|_\infty = \max_i |\alpha_i|$

Note that $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ on $\mathbb{F}^m$ induces a norm $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ on $\mathcal{V}$ by $\|x\|_\infty = \|a\|_\infty$ for $x = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i v_i \in \mathcal{V}$ and $a = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}^m$.

Suppose $\|\cdot\|$ is any norm on $\mathcal{V}$. Will show $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ are equivalent.

Claim 1: $\exists M$ such that $\|x\| \leq M \|x\|_\infty \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{V}$.

Proof: Suppose not. Then for $k = 1, 2, \dots$, $\exists$ nonzero $x_k \in \mathcal{V}$ such that $\|x_k\| \geq k \|x_k\|_\infty$. We can assume that $\|x_k\| = 1$ (divide x_k by $\|x_k\|$ if necessary). Then $1 \geq \|x_k\|_\infty \Rightarrow \|x_k\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$. So if $x_k = \sum \alpha_{ik} v_i$, then $\max |\alpha_{ik}| \rightarrow 0$, and it follows from lemma 8.1 that $\|x_k\| \rightarrow 0$, which is a contradiction.

Claim 2: $\exists m$ such that $\|x\| \geq m \|x\|_\infty \quad \forall x \in \mathcal{V}$.

Proof: Consider the map $a = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{F}^m \mapsto \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i v_i \right\| \in \mathbb{R}$. It follows from lemma 8.1 that this is continuous.

We know that $S = \{a \in \mathbb{F}^m : \|a\|_\infty = 1\}$ is closed and bounded, so this function has a minimum on S , i.e., $\exists a_* = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1^* \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m^* \end{pmatrix}$ such that $\|a_*\|_\infty = 1$ and

$$\left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i^* v_i \right\| = \min_{a \in S} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i v_i \right\|.$$

Set $m = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i^* v_i \right\|$. Then for $x = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i v_i \in \mathcal{V}$, we have

$$\|x\| = \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_i v_i \right\| = \|a\|_\infty \left\| \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\alpha_i}{\|a\|_\infty} v_i \right\| \text{ where } a = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\geq \|a\|_\infty \cdot m = m \|x\|_\infty.$$

Since $\|\cdot\|$ was an arbitrary norm on V , we have just shown that every norm is equivalent to $\|\cdot\|_\infty$. Since norm equivalence is transitive, we have

Theorem 8.2. If $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|'$ are two norms on a finite-dimensional vector space, then $\|\cdot\|$ and $\|\cdot\|'$ are equivalent.

Note the important role in this of Lemma 8.1. This allowed us to "transfer" topological properties of $\mathbb{R}^m$ (derived from those of $\mathbb{R}$ or $\mathbb{C}$) to V via the norm $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ on both spaces. Continue in this vein.

Still assume that V is a finite-dimensional vector space with basis $\{v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ and norm $\|\cdot\|$.

Suppose $S \subseteq V$. Then

- S is bounded if $\sup_{x \in S} \|x\| < \infty$
- x is a limit point of S if $\exists \{x_k\} \subseteq S$ such that $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = x$
- S is closed if it contains all of its limit points
- S is compact if every $\{x_k\} \subseteq S$ has a subsequence $\{x_{k_i}\}$ that converges to a point in S .

Heine-Borel Theorem: $S \subseteq V$ is compact $\Leftrightarrow S$ is closed and bounded.

Proof: $\Rightarrow$: If S is not closed, then $\exists \{x_k\} \subseteq S$ and $x \notin S$ such that $x_k \rightarrow x$. Since every subsequence must also converge to x , there can be no subsequence that converges to a point of S , and it follows that S is not compact.

It follows from Theorem 8.2 that these are norm-independent.

If S' is not bounded, then for $k=1, 2, \dots$,
 $\exists x_k$ such that $\|x_k\| \geq k$. Then $\{x_k\}$ cannot
 have a convergent subsequence, and it
 follows that S' is not compact.

⇐: Suppose S' is closed and bounded in $\|\cdot\|$.

Then S' is also closed and bounded in $\|\cdot\|_\infty$.

Suppose $\{x_k = \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ik} v_i\} \subseteq S'$. Then for $1 \leq i \leq n$,

$\{a_k = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1k} \\ \vdots \\ x_{nk} \end{pmatrix}\}$ is such that $\{\|a_k\|_\infty = \max_i |x_{ik}|\}$
 is bounded.

Choose a subsequence of $\{a_k\}$ for which the
first components converge.

Choose a subsequence of that subsequence so
 that the second components also converge.

Continue to obtain $\{a_k\} \subseteq \{a_k\}$ for which
 $x_{ik_j} \rightarrow x_i^*$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. Then for $a_k = \begin{pmatrix} x_{1k} \\ \vdots \\ x_{nk} \end{pmatrix}$,

$\|a_{k_j} - a_k\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$, and for $x_k = \sum_i x_{ik} v_i$,

$\|x_{k_j} - x_k\|_\infty \rightarrow 0$ and, hence, $\|x_{k_j} - x_k\| \rightarrow 0$.

This is an extension of the Heine-Borel Theorem.
 Have extensions of other familiar results.

Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem. If $\{x_k\} \subseteq V$ is
bounded, i.e., $\exists M$ such that $\|x_k\| \leq M$ for all k ,
 then $\{x_k\}$ has a convergent subsequence.

Def.: $\{x_k\} \subseteq V$ is Cauchy if for every $\epsilon > 0$, $\exists N$
 such that $\|x_j - x_k\| < \epsilon$ whenever $j, k \geq N$.

Def.: $S' \subseteq V$ is complete if every Cauchy sequence
 in S' converges to a point in S' .

Note: These are norm independent by Theorem 8.2.

Completeness Theorem. V is complete.

The proofs of the Bolzano-Weierstrass and Completeness Theorems are straightforward and use the $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ norm to "transfer" to V the counterpart results in $\mathbb{R}$ and $\mathbb{C}$.

Note: If V is infinite-dimensional, then none of these theorems holds.

Example: In ℓ_1 introduced earlier, $\{e_k\}$ is bounded in $\|\cdot\|_1$ but has no convergent subsequence, so the Bolzano-Weierstrass Theorem doesn't hold. Moreover, since $\{e_k\}$ is contained in the closed and bounded set $S' = \{a \in \ell_1 : \|a\|_1 = 1\}$, S' is not compact, and the Heine-Borel Theorem doesn't hold.

Finally, consider $\{x_k = (1, \frac{1}{2}, \dots, \frac{1}{k}, 0, 0, \dots)\} \subseteq \ell_1$, and recall the norm $\|a\| = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |a_j|/j$ for $a = (a_1, a_2, \dots) \in \ell_1$. Since $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 1/j^2 < \infty$, it is easy to see that $\{x_k\}$ is Cauchy in the norm $\|\cdot\|$. However, the limit in the norm $\|\cdot\|$ is $x_\infty = (1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \dots)$. Since $x_\infty \notin \ell_1$, ℓ_1 is not complete in the norm $\|\cdot\|$.