

Math 307 Homework
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1. Show that the operator norm $\|\mathbf{T}\|$ of a linear map \mathbf{T} is the smallest constant C such that

$$\|\mathbf{T}v\| \leq C\|v\|$$

for all $v \in V$.

2. Prove that none of the following norms is associated to any inner product:

- (a) The ℓ^1 norm on \mathbb{R}^2 .
- (b) The supremum norm on $C([0, 1])$.
- (c) The operator norm on $M_2(\mathbb{R})$.

3. Prove that if $\mathbf{A} \in M_{m,n}(\mathbb{R})$ has rank 1, then $\|\mathbf{A}\| = \|\mathbf{A}\|_F$.

Hint: As you saw on a previous homework, if \mathbf{A} has rank 1, then $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{v}\mathbf{w}^T$ for some nonzero vectors $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ and $\mathbf{w} \in \mathbb{R}^n$. You can compute $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ and $\|\mathbf{A}\|_F$ explicitly in terms of \mathbf{v} and \mathbf{w} .

Then show that $\|\mathbf{A}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F$ by using the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality to show that $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\| \leq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F \|\mathbf{x}\|$ for every $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Finally, show that $\|\mathbf{A}\| \geq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F$ by finding a specific unit vector $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with $\|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\| \geq \|\mathbf{A}\|_F$.