

Linear algebra 2: exercises for Section 7

Ex. 7.1. Let V and W be normed vector spaces over \mathbb{R} . For a linear map $f: V \rightarrow W$ let

$$\|f\| = \sup_{x \in V, \|x\|=1} \|f(x)\|$$

1. Show that $B(V, W) = \{f \in \text{Hom}(V, W): \|f\| < \infty\}$ is a subspace of $\text{Hom}(V, W)$, and that $\|\cdot\|$ is a norm on $B(V, W)$.
2. Show that $B(V, W) = \text{Hom}(V, W)$ if V is finite dimensional.
3. Taking $V = W$ above, we obtain a norm on $B(V, V)$. Show that $\|f \circ g\| \leq \|f\| \cdot \|g\|$ for all $f, g \in B(V, V)$.

Ex. 7.2. Consider the rotation map $f: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$ which rotates the plane by 45 degrees. For any norm on \mathbb{R}^2 the previous exercise defines a norm $\|f\|$. Show that $\|f\| = 1$ when we take the standard euclidean norm $\|\cdot\|_2$ on \mathbb{R}^2 . What is $\|f\|$ when we take the maximum norm $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ on \mathbb{R}^2 ?

Ex. 7.3. Consider $V = \mathbb{R}^n$ with the standard inner product and the norm $\|\cdot\|_2$. Suppose that $f: V \rightarrow V$ is a diagonalizable map whose eigenspaces are orthogonal (i.e., V has an orthogonal basis consisting of eigenvectors of f). Show that $\|f\|$ as defined in Ex. 7.1 above is equal to the largest absolute value of an eigenvalue of f .

Ex. 7.4. What is the sine of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} \pi & \pi \\ 0 & \pi \end{pmatrix}$?

Ex. 7.5. Consider the vector space V of polynomial functions $[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with the sup-norm: $\|f\| = \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |f(x)|$. Consider the functional $\phi \in V^*$ defined by $\phi(f) = f'(0)$. Show that $\phi \notin B(V, \mathbb{R})$. [Hint: consider the polynomials $(1-x)^n$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots$]