## Mathematical analysis 2, WNE, 2018/2019 meeting 5. – solutions

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1. Using the triangle inequality prove that

$$|||x|| - ||y||| \le ||x - y||,$$

for any norm  $\|\cdot\|$  and points  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Without a loss of generality, assume that  $||x|| \ge ||y||$ . Then |||x|| - ||y|| = ||x|| - ||y||, but for z = x - y from the triangle inequality we get  $||z|| + ||y|| \ge ||z + y|| = ||x - y + y|| = ||x||$ , and thus  $||z|| \ge ||x|| - ||y||$ , so  $|||x|| - ||y||| = ||x|| - ||y|| \le ||z|| = ||x - y||$ .

2. Prove that the Euclidean norm in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  is actually a norm.

Indeed,  $\sqrt{x^2+y^2}=0$  if and only if  $x^2+y^2=0$ , if and only if x=y=0. Moreover, for any  $\alpha$ ,  $\sqrt{\alpha^2x^2+\alpha^2y^2}=|\alpha|\sqrt{x^2+y^2}$ . Finally, for v=(x,y), w=(x',y') we have

$$(x+x')^2 + (y+y')^2 = x^2 + y^2 + x'^2 + y'^2 + 2xx' + 2yy' \leqslant x^2 + y^2 + x'^2 + y'^2 + 2|xx'| + 2|yy'| \leqslant x^2 + y^2 + x'^2 + y'^2 + 2(x^2 + y'^2) + 2(x^2 + y'^2) = (\sqrt{x^2 + y^2} + \sqrt{x'^2 + y'^2})^2,$$

since

$$(xx')^{2} + (yy')^{2} + 2(xx'yy') \leqslant x^{2}x'^{2} + y^{2}y'^{2} + x^{2}y'^{2} + y^{2}x'^{2},$$

since

$$(xy' - yx')^2 \geqslant 0.$$

3. Prove that the Euclidean norm in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is actually a norm. Hint: use the Schwartz inequality. Schwartz inequality states that

$$(x_1x_1' + \ldots + x_nx_n')^2 \le (x_1^2 + \ldots + x_n^2)((x_1')^2 + \ldots + (x_n')^2).$$

Similarly as in the case of  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , the first two properties of the norm are obvious. Triangle inequality:

$$(x_1 + x_1')^2 + \dots + (x_n + x_n')^2 = x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 + (x_1')^2 + \dots + (x_n')^2 + 2|x_1x_1' + \dots + x_nx_n'| \le$$

$$\le x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2 + (x_1')^2 + \dots + (x_n')^2 + 2\sqrt{(x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2)((x_1')^2 + \dots + (x_n')^2)} =$$

$$= \left(\sqrt{x_1^2 + \dots + x_n^2} + \sqrt{(x_1')^2 + \dots + (x_n')^2}\right)^2.$$

4. Show that any inner product in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  defines a norm ||v|| given by  $\sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle}$ .

$$\sqrt{\langle v, v \rangle} = 0$$
 if and only if  $\langle v, v \rangle = 0$  if and only if  $v = 0$ .

$$\sqrt{\langle av, av\rangle} = \sqrt{a\,\langle v, av\rangle} = \sqrt{a\,\langle av, v\rangle} = \sqrt{a^2\,\langle v, v\rangle} = |a|\sqrt{\langle v, v\rangle}.$$

The triangle inequality follows from the Schwartz inequality.  $||u+v||^2 = \langle u+v, u+v \rangle = ||u||^2 + ||v||^2 + 2\langle u, v \rangle \le ||u||^2 + ||v||^2 + 2||u|| ||v|| = (||u|| + ||v||)^2$ .