

Matrix Norm Essentials

- Matrix norms have vector norm **properties**:

- $\|A\| \geq 0$ and $\|A\| = 0 \implies A = 0$
- $\|A + B\| \leq \|A\| + \|B\|$
- $\|\alpha A\| = |\alpha| \|A\|$

- Induced norms, and the Frobenius norm, have additional **multiplicative** property

- $\|AB\| \leq \|A\| \|B\|$

- Only **four** norms to know:

$$\|\cdot\|_1, \quad \|\cdot\|_2, \quad \|\cdot\|_\infty, \quad \|\cdot\|_{\text{Frob}}$$

- Three have **easy-to-compute formulas** (1, ∞ , Frob).

- Three are **induced** from vector norms (1, 2, ∞).

- Induced norms have $\rho(A) \leq \|A\|$.

- But **expect** $\rho(A) < \|A\|$ in general, and sometimes $\rho(A) \ll \|A\|$.

- $\|\cdot\|_2$ norm best for **Euclidean ideas** and **hermitian/normal matrices**. Reasons:

- $\|QA\|_2 = \|A\|_2$ if Q is unitary ($Q^*Q = I$).
- $\sigma_1(A) = \|A\|_2$.
- If $A^* = A$ then $\rho(A) = \|A\|_2$.

- **Iteration** v, Av, A^2v, \dots converges if and only if

$$\rho(A) < 1.$$

- Thus **if** $\|A\| < 1$ **then** convergence. Not conversely!