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Abstract

Let $\mathbb{F}$ be a sub-modulus field such that $2 \neq 0$. Let $\mathcal{X}$ be a sub-normed linear space over $\mathbb{F}$. Then we show that $\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \frac{2}{|2|} \|x + y\| + \frac{2}{|2|} \max\{\|x - y\|, \|y - x\|\} - (\|x\| + \|y\|)$ and $\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| - \frac{2}{|2|} \|x + y\| + \frac{2}{|2|} \max\{\|y - x\|, \|x - y\|\}$. Above inequalities are finite field versions of important Tarski-Maligranda inequalities obtained by Maligranda [*Banach J. Math. Anal.*, 2008].

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1. Introduction

We all know that

$$\left| |r| - |s| \right| \leq \min\{|r - s|, |r + s|\}, \quad \forall r, s \in \mathbb{R}. \tag{1}$$

In 1930, Tarski observed a strengthening of Inequality (1) (Page 688, [1]):

$$\left| |r| - |s| \right| = |r - s| + |r + s| - (|r| + |s|), \quad \forall r, s \in \mathbb{R}. \tag{2}$$

Note that Equality (2) fails for complex numbers [2]. In 2008, Maligranda showed that one can generalize Equality (2) by deriving inequalities that hold for any normed linear space (NLS) [2].

Theorem 1. [2] (*Tarski-Maligranda Inequalities*) Let $\mathcal{X}$ be a NLS. Then for all $x, y \in \mathcal{X} \setminus \{0\}$,

$$\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \|x + y\| + \|x - y\| - (\|x\| + \|y\|) \tag{3}$$

and

$$\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| - \left| \|x + y\| - \|x - y\| \right|. \tag{4}$$

We ask for finite field versions of Inequalities (3) and (4). We wish to remark that we have recently derived non-Archimedean versions of Tarski-Maligranda inequalities [3]. We begin by introducing the notion of sub-modulus field.

Definition 1. Let $\mathbb{F}$ be a (finite) field. A map $|\cdot| : \mathbb{F} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is said to be sub-modulus or sub-valued if the following conditions hold.

- (i) If $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$ is such that $|\lambda| = 0$, then $\lambda = 0$.
- (ii) $|\lambda\mu| \leq |\lambda||\mu|$ for all $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{F}$.
- (iii) $|\lambda + \mu| \leq |\lambda| + |\mu|$ for all $\lambda, \mu \in \mathbb{F}$.

In this case, we say $\mathbb{F}$ as sub-modulus or sub-valued field.

Example 1. Let p be a prime, let $\mathbb{Z}_p := \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ be the standard field of integers modulo p . Given $n \in \mathbb{Z}_p$, we define

$$|n| := \text{unique } a \text{ such that } 0 \leq a \leq p-1 \text{ and } n \equiv a \pmod{p}.$$

We next introduce the notion of sub-normed linear space.

Definition 2. Let $\mathcal{X}$ be a vector space over a sub-modulus field $\mathbb{F}$. A map $\|\cdot\| : \mathcal{X} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is said to be sub-norm if the following conditions hold.

- (i) If $x \in \mathcal{X}$ is such that $\|x\| = 0$, then $x = 0$.
- (ii) $\|\lambda x\| \leq |\lambda| \|x\|$ for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$, for all $x \in \mathcal{X}$.
- (iii) $\|x + y\| \leq \|x\| + \|y\|$ for all $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$.

In this case, we say $\mathcal{X}$ is a sub-normed linear space.

Example 2. Let $p \in [1, \infty)$. Let $\mathbb{F}$ be a sub-modulus field. For $d \in \mathbb{N}$, let $\mathbb{F}^d$ be the standard vector space. We define

$$\|(a_j)_{j=1}^d\|_p := \left(\sum_{j=1}^d |a_j|^p \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \quad \forall (a_j)_{j=1}^d \in \mathbb{F}^d.$$

Then $\|\cdot\|_p$ is a sub-norm on $\mathbb{F}^d$.

Example 3. Let $\mathbb{F}$ be a sub-modulus field. Define

$$c_{00}(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{F}) := \{ \{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty : a_n \in \mathbb{F}, \forall n \in \mathbb{N}, a_n \neq 0 \text{ only for finitely many } n \}.$$

We define

$$\|\{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty\|_{00} := \max_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |a_n|, \quad \forall \{a_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \in c_{00}(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{F}).$$

Then $\|\cdot\|_{00}$ is a sub-norm on $c_{00}(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{F})$.

2. Finite Field Tarski-Maligranda Inequalities

It is interesting to note that Inequality (1) may not hold for sub-modulus field. Fundamental reason for this is $|r| \neq |-r|$ in general, in a sub-valued field $\mathbb{F}$. For example, in $\mathbb{Z}_3$, $1 = |1| \neq |-1| = |2| = 2$. Hence

$$\left| |0| - |1| \right| = \left| -|1| \right| = |-1| = |2| = 2 > \min\{|0-1|, |0+1|\} = \min\{|-1|, |1|\} = \min\{|2|, |1|\} = 1.$$

We first derive finite field version of Inequality (1).

Theorem 2. Let $\mathcal{X}$ be a sub-normed linear space. Then

$$\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \max\{\|x - y\|, \|y - x\|\}.$$

Proof. Let $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$. Then

$$\|x\| = \|(x - y) + y\| \leq \|x - y\| + \|y\|$$

and

$$\|y\| = \|(y - x) + x\| \leq \|y - x\| + \|x\|.$$

Hence

$$\|x\| - \|y\| = \|(x - y) + y\| \leq \|x - y\|$$

and

$$\|y\| - \|x\| = \|(y - x) + x\| \leq \|y - x\|.$$

Therefore

$$\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| = \max\{\|x\| - \|y\|, \|y\| - \|x\|\} \leq \max\{\|x - y\|, \|y - x\|\}.$$

□

Following is finite field version of Theorem 1.

Theorem 3. (Finite Field Tarski-Maligranda Inequalities) Let $\mathcal{X}$ be a sub-normed linear space over sub-modulus field $\mathbb{F}$. Assume $2 \neq 0$. Then for all $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$,

$$\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \frac{2}{|2|} \|x + y\| + \frac{2}{|2|} \max\{\|x - y\|, \|y - x\|\} - (\|x\| + \|y\|)$$

and

$$\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| - \frac{2}{|2|} \|x + y\| + \frac{2}{|2|} \max\{\|y - x\|, \|x - y\|\}.$$

Proof. Let $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$. Then

$$\|x\| + \|y\| + \left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| = 2 \max\{\|x\|, \|y\|\}. \quad (5)$$

We also have

$$\|x + y\| + \|x - y\| \geq \|(x + y) + (x - y)\| = \|2x\| = |2| \|x\| \quad (6)$$

and

$$\|x + y\| + \|y - x\| \geq \|(x + y) + (y - x)\| = \|2y\| = |2| \|y\|. \quad (7)$$

Inequalities (6) and (7) give

$$\|x + y\| + \max\{\|x - y\|, \|y - x\|\} = \max\{\|x + y\| + \|x - y\|, \|x + y\| + \|y - x\|\} \geq |2| \max\{\|x\|, \|y\|\}. \quad (8)$$

Equality (5) and Inequality (8) give

$$\|x\| + \|y\| + \left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| = 2 \max\{\|x\|, \|y\|\} \leq \frac{2}{|2|} \|x + y\| + \frac{2}{|2|} \max\{\|x - y\|, \|y - x\|\}.$$

Rearranging,

$$\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \frac{2}{|2|} \|x + y\| + \frac{2}{|2|} \max\{\|x - y\|, \|y - x\|\} - (\|x\| + \|y\|).$$

We next see that

$$\|x\| + \|y\| - \left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| = 2 \min\{\|x\|, \|y\|\}. \quad (9)$$

We note that

$$\|x + y\| \leq \|(x + y) - (y - x) + \|y - x\| = |2|\|x\| + \|y - x\| \implies \|x + y\| - \|y - x\| \leq |2|\|x\| \quad (10)$$

and

$$\|x + y\| \leq \|(x + y) - (x - y) + \|x - y\| = |2|\|y\| + \|x - y\| \implies \|x + y\| - \|x - y\| \leq |2|\|y\|. \quad (11)$$

Inequalities (10) and (11) give

$$\|x + y\| - \max\{\|y - x\|, \|x - y\|\} = \min\{\|x + y\| - \|y - x\|, \|x + y\| - \|x - y\|\} \leq |2| \min\{\|x\|, \|y\|\}. \quad (12)$$

Equality (9) and Inequality (12) give

$$\|x + y\| - \max\{\|y - x\|, \|x - y\|\} \leq \frac{|2|}{2} (\|x\| + \|y\|) - \frac{|2|}{2} \left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right|.$$

Rearranging,

$$\left| \|x\| - \|y\| \right| \leq \|x\| + \|y\| - \frac{2}{|2|} \|x + y\| + \frac{2}{|2|} \max\{\|y - x\|, \|x - y\|\}.$$

□

3. Conclusions

- (1) In 1930, Tarski observed an equality in the triangle inequality for real numbers [1].
- (2) In 2008, Maligranda generalized Tarski equality to inequalities which are valid in every normed linear spaces [2].
- (3) In this note, we derived finite field version of Tarski-Maligranda inequalities.

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