

# 18.06 Exam III: Orthogonalize this!

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## 1. VERACIOUS OR FALLACIOUS

For each of the following sentences, indicate whether they are true or false. (No need to justify your answer.)

(a) If  $\vec{v} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  is a vector and  $W \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  is a vector subspace, then the projection  $\pi_W(\vec{v}) = \vec{0}$  if and only if, for any vector  $\vec{w} \in W$ , one has  $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{w} = 0$ .

(b) If  $\vec{v} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  is a vector and  $W \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  is a vector subspace, then

$$\|\pi_W(\vec{v})\| \leq \|\vec{v}\|.$$

(c) Two vector subspaces  $V, W \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  such that  $V \cap W = \{\vec{0}\}$  are orthogonal.

(d) Any vector subspace  $W \subseteq \mathbf{R}^n$  has an orthonormal basis.

(e) The only orthonormal basis of  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is the standard basis  $\hat{e}_1, \dots, \hat{e}_n$ .

## 2. SOLVE

Find an orthogonal basis for the space of solutions to the following system of linear equations in the five variables  $u, v, w, x, y$ :

$$u + w + y = 0$$

$$v + x = 0$$

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3. IS THIS PROJECTION ACCURATE?

What is the projection of the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbf{R}^3$  onto the plane  $3x - 4y + z = 0$ ?

## 4. MORE PROJECTING

Compute the projection of the vector  $\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbf{R}^5$  onto the image of the following matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

## 5. HOUSEHOLDER

Suppose  $\hat{x} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  a unit vector. Write

$$N = \{\vec{v} \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid \vec{v} \cdot \hat{x} = 0\} \subset \mathbf{R}^n.$$

This  $N$  is an  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional vector subspace of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Also, write  $H$  for the  $n \times n$  matrix  $I - 2\hat{x}\hat{x}^T$ .

Prove that the projection  $\pi_N(\vec{w})$  of  $\vec{w}$  onto  $N$  is equal to the projection  $\pi_N(H\vec{w})$  of  $H\vec{w}$  onto  $N$ .