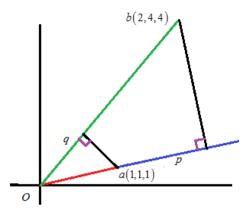
Step-1



Step-2

The vector p is the projection of b upon a.

So, the length of p is the part of a(1,1,1) closest the vector b.

We know that the projection p is given by $\frac{a^T b}{a^T a} a$

$$p = \frac{\binom{1,1,1}{4} \binom{2}{4}}{\binom{1,1,1}{1} \binom{1}{1}} \binom{1,1,1}{1}$$

$$= \frac{2+4+4}{1+1+1} (1,1,1)$$
$$= \frac{10}{3} (1,1,1)$$

So, the projection of b upon a is bigger than the length of a by 10/3 times.

The nearest point is $\left(\frac{10}{3}, \frac{10}{3}, \frac{10}{3}\right)$

Step-3

Similarly, q is the projection of a upon b is given by $\frac{b^T a}{b^T b} b$

$$q = \frac{(2,4,4) \begin{pmatrix} 1\\1\\1\\2 \end{pmatrix}}{(2,4,4) \begin{pmatrix} 2\\4\\4 \end{pmatrix}} (2,4,4)$$

$$= \frac{2+4+4}{4+16+16} (2,4,4)$$
$$= \frac{5}{18} (2,4,4)$$

So, the nearest part of a to the part of b is $5/18^{th}$ part of b.

The nearest point is $\left[\frac{5}{9}, \frac{10}{9}, \frac{10}{9}\right]$

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