

Orthogonal Projections

**The Idea for this Section:** Given a vector  $\mathbf{y}$  in and a subspace  $W$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , there is a vector  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  in  $W$  such that...

1.  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  is the unique vector in  $W$  for which  $\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}$  is orthogonal to  $W$ , and
2.  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  is the unique vector in  $W$  closest to  $\mathbf{y}$ .

**Example 27.1:**

**Theorem 27.2:**

Example 27.3:

Property of Projections:

Theorem 27.4:

Example 27.5:

Example 27.6:

Theorem 27.7