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## 5.9 COMPLEMENTARY SUBSPACES

Let  $X, Y$  be subspaces of a v.s.  $V$ .

### PROP 1

$$\textcircled{1} \quad X + Y = \{ \vec{x} + \vec{y} \in V \mid \vec{x} \in X, \vec{y} \in Y \}$$

is a subspace of  $V$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad X \cap Y = \{ \vec{v} \in V \mid \vec{v} \in X \text{ and } \vec{v} \in Y \}$$

is a subspace of  $V$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \dim(X + Y) = \dim X + \dim Y - \dim(X \cap Y)$$

PF  $\textcircled{1}, \textcircled{2}$  :  $X + Y$  and  $X \cap Y$  are closed under addition + scalar mult<sup>n</sup> ✓

$\textcircled{3}$  Let  $S = \{ \vec{z}_1, \dots, \vec{z}_t \}$  be basis for  $X \cap Y$ .  
Extend  $S$  to bases

$$B_X = \{ \vec{z}_1, \dots, \vec{z}_t, \vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_m \} \text{ for } X$$

$$B_Y = \{ \vec{z}_1, \dots, \vec{z}_t, \vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_n \} \text{ for } Y$$

CLAIM  $B = B_X \cup B_Y$  is a basis for  $X + Y$ .

Hence  $\dim(X + Y) = t + m + n = (t + m) + (t + n) - t$  ✓

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PF. Clearly  $B$  spans  $X+Y$ .  
• LI

$$\text{Suppose } \sum \alpha_i \vec{z}_i + \sum \beta_j \vec{x}_j + \sum \gamma_k \vec{y}_k = \vec{0} \quad (*)$$

$$\text{Then } \sum \gamma_k \vec{y}_k = -\sum \alpha_i \vec{z}_i - \sum \beta_j \vec{x}_j \in X \cap Y$$

So  $\exists d_i$ :

$$\sum \gamma_k \vec{y}_k = \sum d_i \vec{z}_i$$

$$\text{By LI of } B_Y = \{ \vec{z}_1, \dots, \vec{z}_t, \vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_n \}$$

$$\gamma_k = 0 = d_i$$

$$\text{So by } (*) \quad \sum \beta_j \vec{x}_j = \vec{0}$$

Since  $\vec{x}_j$ 's are LI,  $\beta_j = 0$  too  $\square$

~~PF~~ ~~LI~~ ~~PF~~

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DEF  $X, Y$  are COMPLEMENTARY SUBSPACES OF  $V$  if

①  $V = X + Y$

②  $X \cap Y = \{\vec{0}\}$

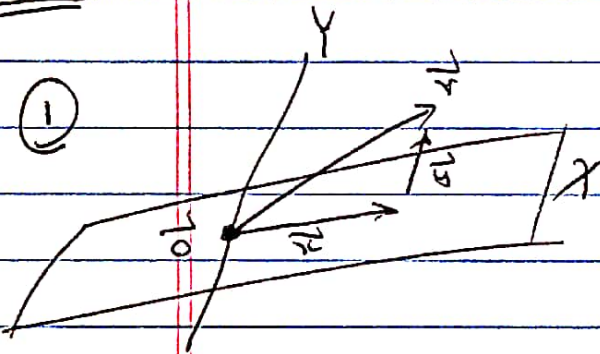
In this case we write

$V = X \oplus Y$  A "DIRECT SUM"

NOTE By PROP. 1 ③:  $\dim V = \dim X + \dim Y$

EXS

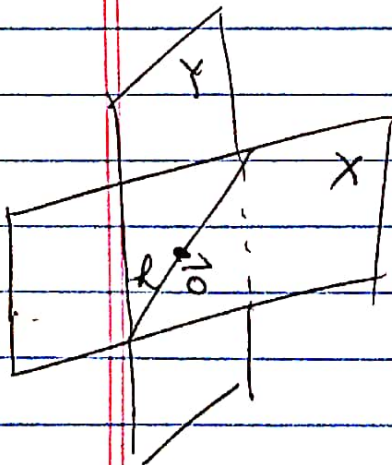
①



$V = X \oplus Y$

$\vec{v} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}$

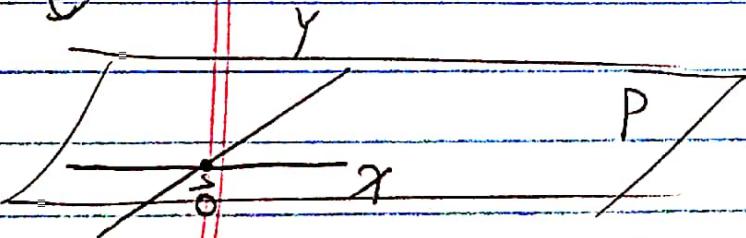
②



$X + Y = \mathbb{R}^3$

but  $X \cap Y = L \neq \{\vec{0}\}$

③



$X + Y = P \subseteq \mathbb{R}^3$

$X \cap Y = \{\vec{0}\}$

COMPLEMENTARY SUBSPACE THM [THM 2]

Let  $B_X, B_Y$  be bases for  $X, Y$ , subspaces of  $V$ .

TRUE

$$\textcircled{1} \quad V = X \oplus Y$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \forall \vec{v} \in V \quad \exists! \vec{x} \in X, \vec{y} \in Y : \vec{v} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad B_X \cap B_Y = \emptyset \quad \text{and} \quad B_X \cup B_Y \text{ is basis for } V.$$

EX Let  $V$  have basis  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$

Let

$$X = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_k\}, \quad Y = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_{k+1}, \dots, \vec{v}_n\}$$

Then

$$V = X \oplus Y$$

PF Show  $\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow \textcircled{3} \Rightarrow \textcircled{1}$

$$\boxed{\textcircled{1} \Rightarrow \textcircled{2}}$$

$\exists$  from  $V = X + Y$

$$\text{! If } \vec{v} = \vec{x}_1 + \vec{y}_1 = \vec{x}_2 + \vec{y}_2$$

$$\text{Then } \underbrace{\vec{x}_1 - \vec{x}_2}_{\in X} = \underbrace{\vec{y}_2 - \vec{y}_1}_{\in Y} \in X \cap Y = \{\vec{0}\}$$

$$\text{So } \vec{x}_1 = \vec{x}_2, \quad \vec{y}_1 = \vec{y}_2$$



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③  $\Rightarrow$  ③

②  $B_x \cap B_y = \emptyset$ .

Suppose  $\exists \vec{v} \in B_x \cap B_y \subset X \cap Y$

Then  $\vec{v} \neq \vec{0}$

and  $\vec{v} = \vec{v} + \vec{0} \in X + Y$   
 $= \vec{0} + \vec{v} \in X + Y$

So  $\vec{v}$  has 2 decomp<sup>ns</sup>  ~~$\vec{v}$~~ .

③  $B_x \cup B_y$  is basis for  $V$

Write  $B_x = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_n\}$ ,  $B_y = \{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_m\}$

(i) SPANNING

Let  $\vec{v} \in V$

By ②  $\vec{v} = \vec{x} + \vec{y} = \sum \alpha_i \vec{x}_i + \sum \beta_j \vec{y}_j$   
 $\in \text{Span}\{B_x \cup B_y\}$

(ii) L.I

IF  $\sum \alpha_i \vec{x}_i + \sum \beta_j \vec{y}_j = \vec{0} = \vec{0}_x + \vec{0}_y$

By 1

$\sum \alpha_i \vec{x}_i = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \alpha_i = 0 \quad \forall i$

$\sum \beta_j \vec{y}_j = \vec{0} \Rightarrow \beta_j = 0 \quad \forall j$

③  $\Rightarrow$  ①

SIMILAR TO PROOF OF PRSP 1 ③

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DEF Suppose  $V = X \oplus Y$ .

The PROJECTOR ONTO  $X$  ALONG  $Y$  is the L.T.

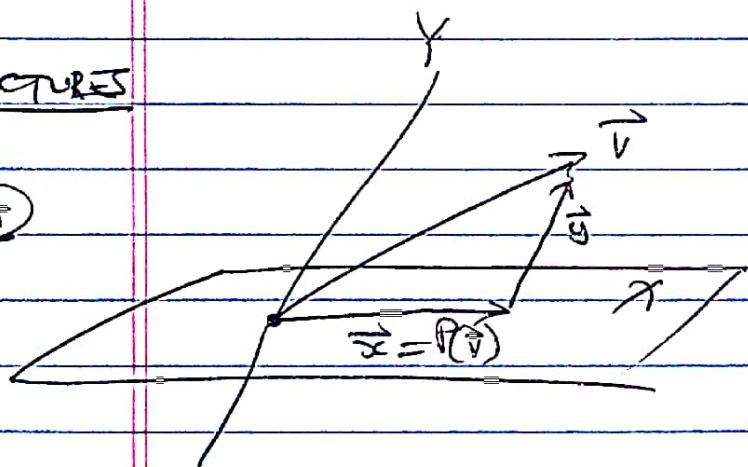
$P: V \rightarrow V$  defined by

$$P(\vec{v}) = \vec{x} \quad \text{where } \vec{v} = \vec{x} + \vec{y} \\ \vec{x} \in X, \vec{y} \in Y.$$

HWK 5.9 A Verify that  $P$  is a L.T.

PICTURES

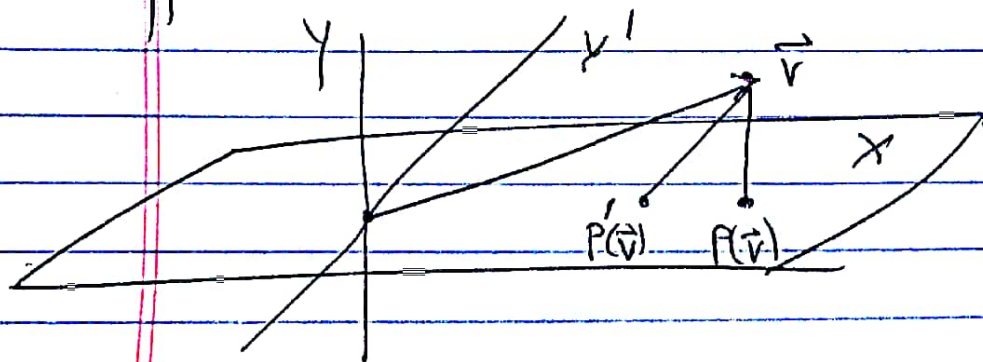
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$P(\vec{v})$  PROJECTS  $\vec{v}$   
ONTO  $X$  ALONG LINE  
// TO  $Y$ .

"OBLIQUE PROJN"

(B) Suppose  $\mathbb{R}^3 = X \oplus Y = X \oplus Y'$



THE PROJECTOR DEPENDS ON  $Y$  AS WELL AS  $X$



PROP 3

Let  $V = X \oplus Y$  and  $P$  projector onto  $X$  along  $Y$ . Then

①  $P^2 = P$  ( $P$  is idempotent)

②  $I - P$  is projector onto  $Y$  ~~and~~ along  $X$

③  $R(P) = N(I - P) = X$

$$R(I - P) = N(P) = Y$$

PF of ③ is HWK.

PROP 4

If  $P : V \rightarrow V$  has  $P^2 = P$   
 Then  $P$  is the projector onto  $R(P)$  along  $N(P)$ .

PF

① CLAIM  $P^2 = P \Rightarrow V = R(P) \oplus N(P)$

PF

②  $V = R(P) + N(P) \quad \text{as} \quad \vec{v} = P\vec{v} + (I - P)\vec{v}$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \in R(P) + N(P)$

as

$$P(I - P) = P - P^2 = 0$$

③ If  $\vec{v} \in R(P) \cap N(P)$  Then

$$\vec{v} = P\vec{x} = P^2\vec{x} = P(P\vec{x}) = P\vec{v} = \vec{0}$$

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Ⓐ Write  $\vec{v} = \vec{x} + \vec{y}$  where  $\vec{x} = P\vec{u} \in R(P)$   
 $\vec{y} \in N(P)$

So

$$\vec{v} = P\vec{u} + \vec{y}$$

Then  $P\vec{v} = P^2\vec{u} + P\vec{y} = P^2\vec{u} = P\vec{u} = \vec{x} \quad \checkmark$   
 $\square$

### THE MATRIX OF A PROJECTOR

Let  $P: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be Projector onto  $X = R(P)$   
 along  $Y = N(P)$ .

By Complementary Subspace Thm (Thm 2)

if  $B_X = \{\vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_r\}$ ,  $B_Y = \{\vec{y}_1, \dots, \vec{y}_{n-r}\}$  are

bases for  $X$ ,  $Y$  Then  $B = B_X \cup B_Y$  is basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Since  $P(\vec{x}_j) = \vec{x}_j$ ,  $P(\vec{y}_k) = 0$  we have

$$[P]_B = \left( \begin{array}{c|c} I_r & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right)$$



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Let  $S$  be std basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . By Change of Basis Thm

$$[P]_S = B [P]_B B^{-1}$$

where

$$B = [X|Y] = [\vec{x}_1 \dots \vec{x}_r \mid \vec{y}_1 \dots \vec{y}_{n-r}] \text{ is } n \times n.$$

SUMMARY The matrix of  $P$  (in std basis) is

$$\begin{aligned} [P] &= [X|Y] \left( \begin{array}{c|c} I_r & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 \end{array} \right) [X|Y]^{-1} \\ &= [X|0] [X|Y]^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

EX Let  $\{\vec{v}_1, \dots, \vec{v}_4\}$  be ONB for  $\mathbb{R}^4$

Define  $X = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$ ,  $Y = \text{Span}\{\vec{v}_3, \vec{v}_4\}$   
So  $\mathbb{R}^4 = X \oplus Y$

Let  $P: \mathbb{R}^4 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  be Proj<sup>r</sup> onto  $X$  along  $Y$ .

Then

$$[P] = [\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2 \mid \vec{0} \ \vec{0}] \overset{\substack{\text{ORTHOGONAL} \\ \text{MATRIX}}}{[\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2 \ \vec{v}_3 \ \vec{v}_4]^{-1}}$$

ASIDE

For a general basis have to invert  $[X|Y]$ .

$$= [\vec{v}_1 \ \vec{v}_2 \ \vec{0} \ \vec{0}] \begin{bmatrix} \vec{v}_1^T \\ \vec{v}_2^T \\ \vec{v}_3^T \\ \vec{v}_4^T \end{bmatrix}$$

$$P = \vec{v}_1 \vec{v}_1^T + \vec{v}_2 \vec{v}_2^T$$

NOTE

$\perp$  Projn onto  $\text{Span}\{\vec{v}_1, \vec{v}_2\}$

= Sum of  $\perp$  Projns onto  $\text{Span}(\vec{v}_1)$  and  $\text{Span}(\vec{v}_2)$ .