

## EXERCISES

In Exercises 1–6, find the indicated projection.

1. The projection of  $[2, 1]$  on  $\text{sp}([3, 4])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$
2. The projection of  $[3, 4]$  on  $\text{sp}([2, 1])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^2$
3. The projection of  $[1, 2, 1]$  on each of the unit coordinate vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
4. The projection of  $[1, 2, 1]$  on the line with parametric equations  $x = 3t$ ,  $y = t$ ,  $z = 2t$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
5. The projection of  $[-1, 2, 0, 1]$  on  $\text{sp}([2, -3, 1, 2])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$
6. The projection of  $[2, -1, 3, -5]$  on the line  $\text{sp}([1, 0, -1, 2])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$

In Exercises 7–12, find the orthogonal complement of the given subspace.

7. The subspace  $\text{sp}([1, 2, -1])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
8. The line  $\text{sp}([2, -1, 0, -3])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$
9. The subspace  $\text{sp}([1, 3, 0], [2, 1, 4])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
10. The plane  $2x + y + 3z = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
11. The subspace  $\text{sp}([2, 1, 3, 4], [1, 0, -2, 1])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$
12. The subspace (hyperplane)  $ax_1 + bx_2 + cx_3 + dx_4 = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  [HINT: See Illustration 3.]
13. Find a nonzero vector in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  perpendicular to  $[1, 1, 2]$  and  $[2, 3, 1]$  by
  - a. the methods of this section,
  - b. computing a determinant.
14. Find a nonzero vector in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  perpendicular to  $[1, 0, -1, 1]$ ,  $[0, 0, -1, 1]$ , and  $[2, -1, 2, 0]$  by
  - a. the methods of this section,
  - b. computing a determinant.

In Exercises 15–22, find the indicated projection.

15. The projection of  $[1, 2, 1]$  on the subspace  $\text{sp}([3, 1, 2], [1, 0, 1])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
16. The projection of  $[1, 2, 1]$  on the plane  $x + y + z = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
17. The projection of  $[1, 0, 0]$  on the subspace  $\text{sp}([2, 1, 1], [1, 0, 2])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$

18. The projection of  $[-1, 0, 1]$  on the plane  $x + y = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
19. The projection of  $[0, 0, 1]$  on the plane  $2x - y - z = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
20. The projection in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  of  $[-2, 1, 3, -5]$  on
  - a. the subspace  $\text{sp}(e_3)$
  - b. the subspace  $\text{sp}(e_1, e_4)$
  - c. the subspace  $\text{sp}(e_1, e_3, e_4)$
  - d.  $\mathbb{R}^4$
21. The projection of  $[1, 0, -1, 1]$  on the subspace  $\text{sp}([1, 0, 0, 0], [0, 1, 1, 0], [0, 0, 1, 1])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$
22. The projection of  $[0, 1, -1, 0]$  on the subspace (hyperplane)  $x_1 - x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  [HINT: See Example 5.]
23. Assume that  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}$ , and  $\mathbf{c}$  are vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and that  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Mark each of the following True or False.
  - a. The projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  on  $\text{sp}(\mathbf{a})$  is a scalar multiple of  $\mathbf{b}$ .
  - b. The projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  on  $\text{sp}(\mathbf{a})$  is a scalar multiple of  $\mathbf{a}$ .
  - c. The set of all vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  orthogonal to every vector in  $W$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
  - d. The vector  $\mathbf{w} \in W$  that minimizes  $\|\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{w}\|$  is  $\mathbf{c}_W$ .
  - e. If the projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  on  $W$  is  $\mathbf{b}$  itself, then  $\mathbf{b}$  is orthogonal to every vector in  $W$ .
  - f. If the projection of  $\mathbf{b}$  on  $W$  is  $\mathbf{b}$  itself, then  $\mathbf{b}$  is in  $W$ .
  - g. The vector  $\mathbf{b}$  is orthogonal to every vector in  $W$  if and only if  $\mathbf{b}_W = \mathbf{0}$ .
  - h. The intersection of  $W$  and  $W^\perp$  is empty.
  - i. If  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  have the same projection on  $W$ , then  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}$ .
  - j. If  $\mathbf{b}$  and  $\mathbf{c}$  have the same projection on every subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , then  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{c}$ .
24. Let  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  be nonzero vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $\theta$  be the angle between  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ . The scalar  $\|\mathbf{b}\| \cos \theta$  is called the **scalar component** of  $\mathbf{b}$  along  $\mathbf{a}$ . Interpret this scalar graphically (see Figures 6.1 and 6.2), and give a formula for it in terms of the dot product.
25. Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and let  $\mathbf{b}$  be a vector in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Prove that there is one and only one vector  $\mathbf{p}$  in  $W$  such that  $\mathbf{b} - \mathbf{p}$  is

perpendicular to every vector in  $W$ . [HINT: Suppose that  $\mathbf{p}_1$  and  $\mathbf{p}_2$  are two such vectors, and show that  $\mathbf{p}_1 - \mathbf{p}_2$  is in  $W^\perp$ .]

26. Let  $A$  be an  $m \times n$  matrix.
- Prove that the set  $W$  of row vectors  $\mathbf{x}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  such that  $\mathbf{x}A = \mathbf{0}$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .
  - Prove that the subspace  $W$  in part (a) and the column space of  $A$  are orthogonal complements.
27. Subspaces  $U$  and  $W$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are orthogonal if  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{w} = 0$  for all  $\mathbf{u}$  in  $U$  and all  $\mathbf{w}$  in  $W$ . Let  $U$  and  $W$  be orthogonal subspaces of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $\dim(U) = n - \dim(W)$ . Prove that each subspace is the orthogonal complement of the other.
28. Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with orthogonal complement  $W^\perp$ . Writing  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{a}_W + \mathbf{a}_{W^\perp}$ , as in Theorem 6.1, prove that

$$\|\mathbf{a}\| = \sqrt{\|\mathbf{a}_W\|^2 + \|\mathbf{a}_{W^\perp}\|^2}.$$

[HINT: Use the formula  $\|\mathbf{a}\|^2 = \mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{a}$ .]

29. (Distance from a point to a subspace) Let  $W$  be a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Figure 6.5 suggests that the distance from the tip of  $\mathbf{a}$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  to the subspace  $W$  is equal to the magnitude of the projection of the vector  $\mathbf{a}$  on the orthogonal complement of  $W$ . Find the distance from the point  $(1, 2, 3)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$  to the subspace (plane)  $\text{sp}([2, 2, 1], [1, 2, 1])$ .

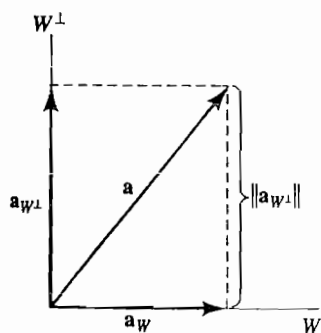


FIGURE 6.5

The distance from  $\mathbf{a}$  to  $W$  is  $\|\mathbf{a}_{W^\perp}\|$ .

30. Find the distance from the point  $(2, 1, 3, 1)$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$  to the plane  $\text{sp}([1, 0, 1, 0], [1, -1, 1, 1])$ . [HINT: See Exercise 29.]

In Exercises 31–36, use the idea in Exercise 29 to find the distance from the tip of  $\mathbf{a}$  to the given one-dimensional subspace (line). [NOTE: To calculate  $\|\mathbf{a}_{W^\perp}\|$ , first calculate  $\|\mathbf{a}_W\|$  and then use Exercise 28.]

- $\mathbf{a} = [1, 2, 1]$ ,  
 $W = \text{sp}([2, 1, 0])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- $\mathbf{a} = [2, -1, 3]$ ,  
 $W = \text{sp}([1, 2, 4])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$
- $\mathbf{a} = [1, 2, -1, 0]$ ,  
 $W = \text{sp}([3, 1, 4, -1])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$
- $\mathbf{a} = [2, 1, 1, 2]$ ,  
 $W = \text{sp}([1, 2, 1, 3])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^4$
- $\mathbf{a} = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]$ ,  
 $W = \text{sp}([1, 1, 1, 1, 1])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^5$
- $\mathbf{a} = [1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1]$ ,  
 $W = \text{sp}([1, 2, 3, 4, 3, 2, 1])$  in  $\mathbb{R}^7$

Exercises 37–39 involve inner-product spaces discussed in optional Section 3.5.

- Referring to Example 6, find the projection of  $f(x) = 1$  on  $\text{sp}(x)$  in  $P_2$ .
- Referring to Example 6, find the projection of  $f(x) = x$  on  $\text{sp}(1 + x)$ .
- Let  $S$  and  $T$  be nonempty subsets of an inner-product space  $V$  with the property that every vector in  $S$  is orthogonal to every vector in  $T$ . Prove that the span of  $S$  and the span of  $T$  are orthogonal subspaces of  $V$ .
- Work with Topic 3 of the routine VECTGRPH in LINTEK until you are able to get a score of at least 80% most of the time.