

Problem 2:

To show that  $P_X - P_W$  is the symmetric orthogonal projection onto  $\mathcal{L}((I - P_W)X)$  it suffices to show that

1)  $P_X - P_W$  is idempotent

2) For any  $Z \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$(P_X - P_W)Z \in \mathcal{L}((I - P_W)X)$$

$$3) \text{ If } Z \in \mathcal{L}((I - P_W)X) \Rightarrow (P_X - P_W)Z = Z$$

1)  $P_X - P_W$  Idempotent:

$$\begin{aligned} (P_X - P_W)(P_X - P_W) &= P_X P_X - P_X P_W - P_W P_X + P_W P_W \\ &= P_X - P_X P_W - P_W P_X + P_W \quad (*) \\ &\quad (\text{Since } P_X \text{ and } P_W \text{ idempotent}) \end{aligned}$$

Now for any  $Z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , we have that  $P_W Z \in \mathcal{L}(W)$

since  $P_W$  is the projection onto  $\mathcal{L}(W)$

Then, since  $\mathcal{L}(W) \subseteq \mathcal{L}(X)$   $P_W Z \in \mathcal{L}(X)$

Since  $P_X$  projection onto  $\mathcal{L}(X)$ , then for any  $v \in \mathcal{L}(X)$ ,

$$P_X v = v. \quad \text{Thus, } P_X P_W Z = P_X (P_W Z) = P_W Z$$

$$\Rightarrow P_X P_W = P_W$$

Taking the transpose of both sides:  $(P_X P_W)^T = P_W^T$

$$\Rightarrow P_W^T P_X^T = P_W^T \quad \text{where } P_W \text{ is symmetric}$$

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and  $P_W^T P_X^T = P_W P_X$  since  $P_W^T P_X^T = P_W^T$ , a symmetric matrix  $\Rightarrow P_W P_X = P_X P_W$ .

Then, by (\*)

$$\begin{aligned} (P_X - P_W)(P_X - P_W) &= P_X - P_X P_W - P_W P_X + P_W \\ &= P_X - 2P_X P_W + P_W \quad (P_X P_W = P_W P_X) \\ &= P_X - 2P_W + P_W \quad (P_X P_W = P_W) \\ &= P_X - P_W. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $P_X - P_W$  idempotent.

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