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**LARSON—MATH 610—CLASSROOM WORKSHEET 24**  
**Projections in Inner Product Spaces.**

**Concepts & Notation**

- (Chp. 6) *dot product, inner product, inner product space, norm, orthogonal representation, Cauchy-Schwartz, orthonormal list, Gram-Schmidt, orthogonal complement, orthogonal projection.*
- (Chp. 7) *adjoint.*

1. For a subspace  $U$  of an inner product space  $V$ , what is the *orthogonal projection* operator  $P_U$ ?
2. **(Minimizing the distance to a subspace)** Suppose  $U$  is a finite-dimensional subspace of  $V$ ,  $v \in V$ , and  $u \in U$ . Then  $\|v - P_U v\| \leq \|v - u\|$ . Furthermore, the inequality above is an equality if and only if  $u = P_U v$ .

**Linear Functionals and Riesz Representation Theorem**

3. What is a *linear functional*?
4. What is the *Riesz Representation Theorem*?

## Adjoint Operators

5. Let  $V, W$  be finite-dimensional inner product spaces and  $T \in \mathcal{L}(V, W)$ . What is the *adjoint*  $T^*$  of  $T$ ?
6. Why does the adjoint exist?
7. Find the adjoint  $T^*$  of  $T \in \mathcal{L}(\mathbb{R}^3, \mathbb{R}^2)$  defined by  $T(x_1, x_2, x_3) = (x_1 + x_2, x_3)$ .
8. (**Claim**) The adjoint of a linear map on an inner product space is linear.