Orthogonal Projection

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Note

In this presentation, projection refers to specifically orthogonal projection, \vec{p} refers to $\text{proj}_S \vec{b}$, and \vec{e} refers to the error vector $\vec{e} = \vec{b} - \vec{p}$.

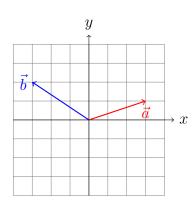


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Closest means that the error is orthogonal to S.

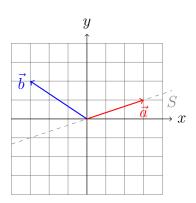




Example

Draw $\operatorname{proj}_a b$.





Note

When projecting a vector onto another vector \vec{a} , the subspace S is the span of \vec{a} .



