

Solution to Practice 1n

A1(a) First I calculate $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = (0)(3) + (1)(-5) = -5$ and $\|\vec{v}\|^2 = 0^2 + 1^2 = 1$. So $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = (-5/1)\vec{v} = -5 \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$. This means that $\text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. Double checking, we verify that $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} + \text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{u}$, and that $\vec{v} \cdot \text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = (0)(3) + (1)(0) = 0$.

A1(c) First I calculate $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = (0)(-3) + (1)(5) + (0)(2) = 5$ and $\|\vec{v}\|^2 = 0^2 + 1^2 + 0^2 = 1$. So $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = (5/1)\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$. This means that $\text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$. Double checking, we verify that $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} + \text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 5 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 0 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -3 \\ 5 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \vec{u}$, and that $\vec{v} \cdot \text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = (0)(-3) + (1)(0) + (0)(2) = 0$.

A1(e) First I calculate $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = (1)(-1) + (1)(-1) + (0)(2) + (-2)(-1) = 0$. This means that \vec{u} is orthogonal to \vec{v} , and thus we know immediately that $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \vec{0}$ and $\text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \vec{u}$. As such, we easily see that $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} + \text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \vec{0} + \vec{u} = \vec{u}$, and that $\vec{v} \cdot \text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = 0$.

A2(a) First I calculate $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = (1)(3) + (1)(-3) = 0$. This means that \vec{u} is orthogonal to \vec{v} , so $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \vec{0}$ and $\text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$.

A2(b) First I calculate $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = (2)(4) + (3)(-1) + (-2)(3) = -1$ and $\|\vec{v}\|^2 = 2^2 + 3^2 + (-2)^2 = 17$. Then $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = (-1/17)\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} -2/17 \\ -3/17 \\ 2/17 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} -2/17 \\ -3/17 \\ 2/17 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 70/17 \\ -14/17 \\ 49/17 \end{bmatrix}$.

A2(c) First I calculate $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = (-2)(5) + (1)(-1) + (-1)(3) = -14$ and $\|\vec{v}\|^2 = (-2)^2 + 1^2 + (-1)^2 = 6$. Then $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = (-14/6)\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 14/3 \\ -7/3 \\ 7/3 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ -1 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 14/3 \\ -7/3 \\ 7/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ 4/3 \\ 2/3 \end{bmatrix}$.

A2(d) First I calculate $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = (1)(4) + (1)(1) + (-2)(-2) = 9$ and $\|\vec{v}\|^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 + (-2)^2 = 6$. Then $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = (9/6)\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 3/2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix}$, and $\text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \\ 3/2 \\ -3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5/2 \\ -1/2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$.

A2(e) First I calculate $\vec{v} \cdot \vec{u} = (-1)(2) + (2)(-1) + (1)(2) + (-3)(1) = -5$ and $\|\vec{v}\|^2 = (-1)^2 + 2^2 + 1^2 + (-3)^2 = 15$. Then $\text{proj}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = (-5/15)\vec{v} = \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$,

$$\text{and } \text{perp}_{\vec{v}} \vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ -1 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 1/3 \\ -2/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5/3 \\ -1/3 \\ 7/3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

D5(a) First I calculate $\vec{u} \cdot \vec{x} = (1)(2) + (1)(5) + (-1)(3) = 4$ and $\|\vec{u}\|^2 = 1^2 + 1^2 + (-1)^2 = 3$. then $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{x} = (4/3)\vec{u} = \begin{bmatrix} 4/3 \\ 4/3 \\ -4/3 \end{bmatrix}$. Thus, $\text{perp}_{\vec{u}} \vec{x} = \vec{x} - \text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \\ 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 4/3 \\ 4/3 \\ -4/3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 11/3 \\ 13/3 \end{bmatrix}$. Now we calculate $\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} 2/3 \\ 11/3 \\ 13/3 \end{bmatrix} = 2/3 + 11/3 - 13/3 = 0$. As such, $\text{proj}_{\vec{u}}(\text{perp}_{\vec{u}} \vec{x}) = 0$.

D5(b) We have $\text{perp}_{\vec{u}} \vec{x} = \vec{x} - \text{proj}_{\vec{u}} \vec{x} = \vec{x} - \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{x}}{\|\vec{u}\|^2} \vec{u}$. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{proj}_{\vec{u}}(\text{perp}_{\vec{u}} \vec{x}) &= \frac{\vec{u} \cdot (\vec{x} - \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{x}}{\|\vec{u}\|^2} \vec{u})}{\|\vec{u}\|^2} \vec{u} \\ &= \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{x} - \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{x}}{\|\vec{u}\|^2} \vec{u} \cdot \vec{u}}{\|\vec{u}\|^2} \vec{u} \\ &= \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{x} - \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{x}}{\|\vec{u}\|^2} \|\vec{u}\|^2}{\|\vec{u}\|^2} \vec{u} \\ &= \frac{\vec{u} \cdot \vec{x} - \vec{u} \cdot \vec{x}}{\|\vec{u}\|^2} \vec{u} \\ &= 0\vec{u} \\ &= \vec{0} \end{aligned}$$

D5(c) Geometrically, $\text{perp}_{\vec{u}} \vec{x}$ is the part of \vec{x} that does not have anything in common with \vec{u} . That is, it is the part of \vec{x} that is perpendicular to \vec{u} . As such, when we take the projection of this onto \vec{u} , as it had nothing in common with \vec{u} , we are left with the zero vector.