

Warm-Up: Given the vectors $\mathbf{a}$ and $\mathbf{b}$ below, make an educated guess and sketch the vector projection of b onto a.


Let $\mathbf{a}=\overrightarrow{P Q}$ and let $\mathbf{b}=\overrightarrow{P R}$.
Def The vector projection of $\mathbf{b}$ onto $\mathbf{a}$ is found by sketching a $\qquad$ from the end of $\mathbf{b}$ (i.e. at $R$ )

to the line containing a.
Let $S$ be the intersection point.
The vector $\qquad$ is the vector projection of $\mathbf{b}$ onto $\mathbf{a}$ and is denoted as

Def The $\qquad$ is given by

Also called the $\qquad$ of $\mathbf{b}$ onto $\mathbf{a}$.

Using trig and the figure above,

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\cos \theta=\frac{\operatorname{comp}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b}}{|\mathbf{b}|}
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\Rightarrow
$$

But if we are not given the angle $\theta$ how do we find $\operatorname{comp}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b}$ ? And, how do we find $\operatorname{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b}$ ?

Recall, $\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{b}=$

So now we know the length of the vector given by $\operatorname{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b} \Rightarrow$ length:

We also know that the vector given by $\operatorname{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b}$ points in the direction of vector $\qquad$ .
$\Rightarrow$ So we need a $\qquad$ in the direction of $\qquad$ $\Rightarrow$ $\mathbf{u}=$

Then multiply the unit vector by the desired length

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\Rightarrow \quad \operatorname{proj}_{\mathbf{a}} \mathbf{b}=
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$\underline{\text { Ex }}$ Given $\mathbf{v}=\langle 3,2\rangle$ and $\mathbf{w}=\langle-2,-5\rangle$,
(a). Sketch $\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{w}$, and $\operatorname{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} \mathbf{w}$.
(b). Find $\operatorname{proj}_{\mathbf{v}} w$.


Ex Given $\mathbf{a}=\langle-1,-2,2\rangle$ and $\mathbf{b}=\langle 3,3,4\rangle$, find the scalar and vector projections of $\mathbf{b}$ onto $\mathbf{a}$.

## Applications to Work

Previously, the work $W$ done by a $\qquad$ force $F$ moving an object through a distance $d$ is given by
$\qquad$ .

Units of work are
[But this formula is only valid if the force is acting in the same linear direction as the motion.]

But if the force acts in a direction different than the motion, we need to use $\qquad$

Ex To close a sliding barn door, a person pulls on a rope with a constant force of 50 lbs at an angle of $60^{\circ}$ declination. Find the work done in moving the door 12 ft to a closed position. [Do both ways to show that the angle formula is easier.]

Ex A wagon is pulled a horizontal distance of 100 m by a constant 50 N force. The handle is held at an angle of $30^{\circ}$ above the horizontal. Find the work done.

