

**1** Indicate whether the following statements are true(**T**) or false(**F**). You do **not** need to justify your answer.  
 3+3+4 points

(a) If  $A$  and  $B$  are square matrices of the same size, then  $AB^TBA^T$  is orthogonally diagonalizable.

(b) Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then  $A$  is negative definite.

(c) The quadratic form  $Q = 9x^2 + 4xy + y^2$  represents a hyperbola.

*Solution.*

(a) True. Since  $AB^TBA^T$  is symmetric, it is orthogonally diagonalizable.

(b) False.  $A$  has a positive eigenvalue.

(c) False.  $Q = \begin{bmatrix} x & y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix}$  and the characteristic polynomial of  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  is  $\lambda^2 - 10\lambda + 5$ . If  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are eigenvalues of  $A$ , then  $\lambda_1\lambda_2 = 5 > 0$ . So  $Q$  does not represent a hyperbola.

2 Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Then, find  $I + A + A^2 + \cdots + A^{100}$ .  
 10 points

*Solution.*

Since  $A$  is symmetric,  $A$  is orthogonally diagonalizable.

So we can get

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & I + A + A^2 + \cdots + A^{100} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3^{101}-1}{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 101 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3^{101}+201}{4} & \frac{3^{101}-203}{4} \\ \frac{3^{101}-203}{4} & \frac{3^{101}+201}{4} \end{bmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$