

5. For each of the statements given below decide if it is true or false. If it is true explain why. If it is false give a counterexample.

a) If  $A$  is a  $2 \times 2$  matrix and  $v$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to an eigenvalue  $\lambda$  then  $2v$  is an eigenvector of  $A$  corresponding to the eigenvalue  $2\lambda$ .

b) If  $V$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $w$  is a vector such that  $\text{proj}_V w = -w$  then  $w$  must be the zero vector.

c) If  $A$  is a square matrix which is both symmetric and orthogonal then  $A^2$  is the identity matrix.

d) If  $A$  and  $B$  are  $2 \times 2$  matrices which are both orthogonally diagonalizable, then the matrix  $A + B$  is also orthogonally diagonalizable.

False. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ .  $\det(A - \lambda I) = \begin{vmatrix} 1-\lambda & 1 \\ 2 & -\lambda \end{vmatrix} = -\lambda(1-\lambda) - 2 = -\lambda + \lambda^2 - 2 = 0 \iff (\lambda-2)(\lambda+1)$   
 $\lambda = 2 \quad \lambda = -1$

For  $\lambda = -1 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} x = 0 \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

For  $\lambda = 2 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix} x = 0 \rightarrow x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} \neq 2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -2 \end{bmatrix}$

True. For any  $u$  such that  $\text{proj}_V u = v$ ,  $u \cdot v \geq 0$ .  $w \cdot -w \leq 0$  so the only way for this to be true is if  $w = 0$ .

True. If  $A$  is orthogonal and symmetric then it is of the form  $PDP^T$ .  $A^2 = PD^2P^T$ . Since  $P$  is an orthogonal basis for  $A$ ,  $PD^2P^T$  is going to be the identity matrix.

False. Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & -1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$ . Both  $A$  and  $B$  are orthogonally diagonalizable, let  $W = A + B \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1+1/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} & 0 \\ 1/\sqrt{2} & -2/\sqrt{2} & 1/\sqrt{2} \\ 0 & 1/\sqrt{2} & 1+1/\sqrt{2} \end{bmatrix}$ . Though  $W$  is symmetrical, the columns of  $W$  aren't orthogonal to each other so  $W$  isn't orthogonally diagonalizable.