**Definition 1** (Positive-Definite). A matrix A is *positive-definite* if for every nonzero vector x,

$$x^T A x > 0 (1)$$

Claim 1 (Positive-Definite  $\to \lambda_i > 0$ ). If A is a positive-definite matrix, then the eigenvalues of A are positive.

*Proof.* Let A be a positive-definite matrix. Since A is positive-definite

$$x^T A x = x^T \lambda x = \lambda x^T x > 0$$

but  $x^T x = \sum x_i^2$  which is greater than 0, thus  $\lambda$  is also greater than zero.

**Definition 2** (Diagonalizable). A matrix A is diagonalizable if there exists an invertible matrix P such that  $PAP^{-1}$  is a diagonal matrix.

For all matrices A, it is not guaranteed a diagonlization exists. If a diagonalization exists, then  $P^{-1}AP = D$  where D is some diagonal matrix so  $AP = PD \rightarrow A_i\vec{\alpha}_i = \vec{\alpha}_id_i = d_i\vec{\alpha}_i$  for  $P = (\vec{\alpha}_1 \dots \vec{\alpha}_n)$  so D is merely the lambda values of A. This implies we must have n eigenvalues but do they necessarily need to be distinct?

Claim 2. If A is diagonlizable and has only non-zero eigenvalues, then A is invertible.

*Proof.* Since D exists and consists of the eigenvalues of A which are non-zero,  $D^{-1}$  exists (and is easily calculable) and we have  $D^{-1} = (P^{-1}AP)^{-1} = PA^{-1}P^{-1} \to A^{-1} = P^{-1}D^{-1}P$ ; therefore,  $A^{-1}$  also exists.

**Definition 3.** A square matrix U is unitary if  $U^{-1} = U^T$ .

**Theorem 1** (Invertible Matrix Theorem). A is invertible if and only if any of the following hold:

- A is row-equivalent to the  $n \times n$  identity matrix
- A has n pivot positions
- The equation  $A\mathbf{x} = 0$  has only the trival solution  $\mathbf{x} = 0$ .
- The columns of A form a linearly independent set
- The linear transformation  $x \mapsto Ax$  is one-to-one
- For each column vector  $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the equation  $A\mathbf{x} = b$  has a unique solution.
- The columns of A span  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- The linear transformation  $x \mapsto Ax$  is a surjection (onto)
- There is an  $n \times n$  matrix C such that  $CA = I_n$  or  $AC = I_n$  (Note: C can be found by multiplying the elementary operation matrices)

- The transpose matrix  $A^T$  is invertible
- The columns of A form a basis for  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- The column space of A is equal to  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- ullet The rank of A is n
- The null space of A is  $\{0\}$
- The dimension of the null space of A is 0.
- $\bullet$  0 fails to be an eigenvalue of A (Seen in the claim above)
- ullet The determinant of A is non-zero This is an if and only if?
- The orthogonal complement of the column space of A is  $\{0\}$
- The orthogonal complement of the null space of A is  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- The row space of A is  $\mathbb{R}^n$
- The matrix A has n non-zero singular values

## 0.1 Finding Eigenvalues

Eigenvalues are the solutions to the equation

$$Av = \lambda v$$

for  $v \neq 0$  or alternatively

$$(A - \lambda I)v = 0$$

Since  $\det(AB) = \det(A) \cdot \det(B)$  and  $v \neq 0$ ,  $\det((A - \lambda I)v) = 0 \leftrightarrow \det(A - \lambda I) = 0$