

Problems on the square root method for systems of linear algebraic equations

1) Is it possible to apply the square root method for the system?

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1,2x_1 & -1,5x_2 & +7,2x_3 & = 16,8 \\ 2,2x_1 & +5,5x_2 & -1,5x_3 & = 10,55 \\ 6,1x_1 & +2,2x_2 & +1,2x_3 & = 16,55 \end{vmatrix}, A = \begin{pmatrix} 1,2 & -1,5 & 7,2 \\ 2,2 & 5,5 & -1,5 \\ 6,1 & 2,2 & 1,2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Instruction: Rearrange some of the rows and/or columns.

2) By means of the square root method decompose the matrix S as a product of two triangular matrices and calculate its determinant.

$$S = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 5 & 8 & 11 \\ 3 & 8 & 14 & 20 \\ 4 & 11 & 20 & 30 \end{pmatrix}.$$
 Answer:
$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

3) By means of the square root method solve the system and find the determinant of the respective matrix

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & +2x_2 & +3x_3 & +4x_4 & +5x_5 & = 4 \\ 2x_1 & +5x_2 & +8x_3 & +11x_4 & +14x_5 & = 10 \\ 3x_1 & +8x_2 & +14x_3 & +20x_4 & +26x_5 & = 18 \\ 4x_1 & +11x_2 & +20x_3 & +30x_4 & +40x_5 & = 28 \\ 5x_1 & +14x_2 & +26x_3 & +40x_4 & +55x_5 & = 39 \end{vmatrix}$$

Recommendation: Use a computer to solve this problem.

Answer:
$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 2 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$
, $x = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$, $T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 5 & 4 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$.

4) By means of the square root method solve the system

$$\begin{vmatrix} x_1 & +x_2 & +x_3 & =0 \\ x_1 & +3x_2 & +3x_3 & =2 \\ x_1 & +3x_2 & +6x_3 & =5 \end{vmatrix}$$
 Answer: (-1, 0, 1).

5) There is given the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

By means of the square root method calculate the determinant of the matrix $B = A.A^T$.

Answer: $\det B=16$.

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