

## Solution to Exercise 2.8.2

We use GAP:

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gap> M := [ [4,6,5,2,2], [ 6,13,7,4,4], [ 5,7,11,2,0],
>           [2,4,2,8,4], [ 2,4,0,4,8] ];;
gap> emb6 := OrthogonalEmbeddings( M, 6 );; time;
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gap> Mats := List( emb6.solutions, x -> TransposedMat(emb6.vectors{x}) );;
gap> for x in Mats do Display(x); od;
[ [ 1, 1, 1, 1, 0 ],
  [ 3, 1, 1, 1, 1 ],
  [ 1, 3, 1, 0, 0 ],
  [ 0, 0, 2, 0, 2 ],
  [ 0, 0, 0, 2, 2 ] ]
[ [ 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0 ],
  [ 2, 2, 2, 0, 0, 1 ],
  [ 2, 1, 0, 2, 1, 1 ],
  [ 2, 0, 0, 0, -2, 0 ],
  [ 0, 2, 0, 0, -2, 0 ] ]
gap> List( [1,2] , i -> Mats[i] * TransposedMat(Mats[i]) = M );
[ true, true ]
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For  $n \leq 6$  we have displayed the matrices  $X \in \mathbb{Z}^{5 \times n}$  with  $X \cdot X^T = M$ . There is one solution (up to equivalence) for  $n = 5$  and one for  $n = 6$ . Only the first solution is in  $\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{5 \times n}$ . Observe that the computation took about 72 seconds (on a regular Linux desktop of 2009). Computing all 10254 solutions (for any  $n$ ) takes about twice as long:

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gap> emb := OrthogonalEmbeddings( M );; Length( emb.solutions );
10254
gap> lengths := List( emb.solutions, Length );; Collected( lengths );
[ [ 5, 1 ], [ 6, 1 ], [ 7, 34 ], [ 8, 180 ], [ 9, 861 ], [ 10, 1830 ],
  [ 11, 1486 ], [ 12, 2121 ], [ 13, 2039 ], [ 14, 961 ], [ 15, 574 ],
  [ 16, 121 ], [ 17, 41 ], [ 18, 3 ], [ 19, 1 ] ]
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The number of solutions drops drastically if we restrict ourselves to non-negative matrices  $X \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}^{5 \times n}$ :

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gap> emb := OrthogonalEmbeddings(M, "positive" );; time;
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gap> Length( emb.solutions );
42
gap> lengths:=List( emb.solutions, Length );; Collected( lengths );
[ [ 5, 1 ], [ 7, 2 ], [ 8, 1 ], [ 9, 3 ], [ 10, 5 ], [ 11, 4 ], [ 12, 6 ],
  [ 13, 8 ], [ 14, 4 ], [ 15, 6 ], [ 16, 1 ], [ 17, 1 ] ]
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