Many problems in applied mathematics and engineering give rise to structured matrices, either in equations to be solved or as mathematical structures that characterise a system. Typical examples include queuing theory, polynomial computations, the numerical solution of difference and differential equations, digital filtering and image processing. This wide range of applications in which structured matrices arise has been the impetus for substantial research effort into the theory and properties of structured matrices, and the development of efficient and stable algorithms with which computations can be performed on them.

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  - Matrix-tensor theory
  - Condition estimation of structured matrices
- Applications in
  - Differential and difference equations
  - Digital filter theory
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