

INTEGER MATRICES WITH PRESCRIBED PERMANENT AND ITS APPLICATIONS

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Abstract. In this paper, we construct a procedure of Maple programming for $(0, 1)$ -matrix with a prescribed permanent, $1, 2, \dots, 2^{n-1}$. An application of such construction is given, and we obtain the some results of $(0, 1)$ -matrices with the permanent less than or equal to $n!$ by replacing elements 0's by 1's.

1. Introduction and preliminaries

Let $A = [a_{ij}]$ be an m -by- n matrix with $m \leq n$. The *permanent* of A is defined by

$$\text{per}A = \sum a_{1i_1} a_{2i_2} \cdots a_{mi_m},$$

where the summation extends over all the m -permutations (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_m) of the integers $1, 2, \dots, n$. Thus $\text{per}A$ is the sum of all possible products of m elements of the m -by- n matrix A with the property that the elements in each of the products lie on different lines of A . This scalar valued function of the matrix A occurs throughout the combinatorial literature in connection with various enumeration and extremal problems.

If A is a $(0, 1)$ -matrix of order n , then clearly $0 \leq \text{per}A \leq n!$. In [1], it has known that there is a $(0, 1)$ -matrix A such that $\text{per}A = k$ for each $k = 0, 1, \dots, 2^{n-1}$, and there is no $(0, 1)$ -matrix of order n such that $\text{per}A = k$ for some k in $2^{n-1} < k \leq n!$. In [3], Kim et. al

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studied a construction method for a $(0, 1)$ -matrix with $\text{per}A = k$ for each $k = 0, 1, \dots, 2^{n-1}$ by using the binary number system of k . In this note, we obtain a Maple procedure of this construction. By the same construction method we explore the $(0, 1)$ -matrix A with $\text{per}A = k$ such that $2^{n-1} < k \leq n!$.

First note that the n -by- n $(0, 1)$ -matrix

$$(1) \quad B_n = [b_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

is row equivalent to the lower Hessenberg matrix H_n . In Maple program, the command

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"Array(Hessenberg[lower],1..n,1..n,(i,j) → 1);"
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produces the following lower Hessenberg matrix H_n .

$$(2) \quad H_n = [b_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & \cdot & \cdot & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

It is well known (for example see [3]) that

$$\text{per}H_n = 2^{n-1}.$$

Throughout the present paper, we define

$$(3) \quad H_n(n, k) = H_n - E_{n,k},$$

where $E_{n,k}$ is a cell which is a $(0, 1)$ -matrix with only one entry equal to 1 at the (n, k) entry. And let $H_n(n|k)$ be the submatrix of order $n - 1$ obtained from H_n by deleting the n -th row and k -th column. It immediately follows from [3] that $\text{per}H_n(n, k) = 2^{n-1} - 2^{k-2}$, ($k = 2, 3, \dots, n$) and $\text{per}H_n(n, 1) = 2^{n-1} - 1$.

Let ℓ be a positive integer such that $0 < \ell \leq 2^{n-1}$. Then there exists the least number m such that $2^{m-2} < \ell \leq 2^{m-1}$ where $2 \leq m \leq n$. Now let us introduce the construction method of the $(0, 1)$ -matrix A for which $\text{per}A = \ell$ where $2^{m-2} < \ell \leq 2^{m-1}$. First let t be a positive integer with $2^{n-2} \leq t \leq 2^{n-1}$ and $t_{(2)} = x_{n-2}x_{n-3} \cdots x_1x_0$ be the binary representation of t , where the x_i is 0 or 1. Define $x_k^c = 1$ if $x_k = 0$ and $x_k^c = 0$ if $x_k = 1$. Let $H_m(t)$ be obtained from H_m by replacing $b_{n,k}$ of H_m to x_{k-2}^c , for all $k = 2, 3, \dots, n$. The following theorem shows that for a given positive integer ℓ , we can construct an $n \times n$ $(0, 1)$ -matrix with permanent ℓ ($\ell = 1, 2, \dots, 2^{n-1}$).

Theorem 1.1. [3] *Let ℓ be a positive integer with $0 < \ell < 2^{n-1}$. Then $\text{per}H_m(t) = \ell$ where $t = 2^{m-1} - \ell$ such that m is the least number with $2^{m-2} < \ell \leq 2^{m-1}$.*

2. A Maple procedure for the construction of the $(0, 1)$ -matrix A with $\text{per}A = \ell$

The Maple program gives useful helps for us solving many computational problems. In this section, first we give the algorithm for the construction of the $(0, 1)$ -matrix A with $\text{per}A = \ell$.

ALGORITHM

- Step 1. Find the least number n with $\ell \leq 2^{n-1}$.
- Step 2. Take $t = 2^{n-1} - \ell$.
- Step 3. Convert t to binary representation $b_{n-2}b_{n-3} \dots b_0$.
- Step 4. Compute the complement $b_{n-2}^c b_{n-3}^c \dots b_0^c$.
- Step 5. Replacing $b_{n,k}$ to $b_{k-2}^c, k = 2, 3, \dots, n$ of H_n .

Now we consider a Maple procedure for the construction of the $(0, 1)$ -matrix A with $\text{per}A = \ell$, as following:

MAPLE PROCEDURE

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restart:with(LinearAlgebra):L:=n:
L2:=convert(L,binary):
N:=length(L2):
T:=2Ň-L:
TB:=convert(T,binary):
k:=length(TB):
T2:=convert(T,base,2):
T2V:=Vector[row]([T2,0$(N-k)]):
T2VC:=Vector[row]([1$N]):
T2V1:=VectorScalarMultiply(T2V,-1):
T2VA1:=VectorAdd(T2VC,T2V1):
ADDT:=Vector[row]([1,T2VA1]):
B_N:=Array(Hessenberg[lower],1..N+1,1..N+1,(a,b)→1):
C:=convert(B_N, Matrix):
Permanent(C):
delB:=DeleteRow(C,N+1..N+1):
B(L):=Matrix(N+1,N+1,[[delB],[ADDT]]);Permanent(B(L));

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For example, let $n = 407$. By the Maple procedure we obtain the $(0, 1)$ -matrix with permanent 407 as following:

$$(4) \quad H_n(407) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

By the row exchange, $H_n(407)$ is permutation equivalent to $B_n(407)$ in [3].

$$(5) \quad B_n(407) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3. Behavior of $\text{per}B_n$

In this section, we obtain the permanent of the $(0, 1)$ -matrices obtained from B_n of matrices by replacing 0 entries in B_n by 1. We recall that there is no $(0, 1)$ -matrix A such that $\text{per}A = k$ for some k in

$2^{n-1} < k \leq n!$. Let $B_n^{(k)}$ be the set of all n -by- n $(0, 1)$ -matrix from B_n by replacing k 0's by 1's where $1 \leq k \leq \frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2}$. Then clearly

$$2^{n-1} = \text{per}A_n < \text{per}A_n^{(1)} < \text{per}A_n^{(2)} < \dots < \text{per}A_n^{(\frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2})} = n!$$

where $A_n^{(k)}$ is a matrix in $B_n^{(k)}$. We note that for a fixed k , $\text{per}A_n^{(k)}$ depends on the positions of k 1's. Hence $\text{per}A_n^{(k)}$ can be have different values.

Lemma 3.1. [3] *Let B_n be the same matrix as in [3] and $E_{i,j}$ a cell with appropriate size.*

- (1) $\text{per}(B_n + E_{2,k}) = 2^{n-k} \text{per}(B_k + E_{2,k}), (k = 3, 4, \dots, n - 1)$
- (2) $\text{per}(B_n + E_{2,n}) = 2 \text{per}B_{n-1} + \text{per}(B_{n-1} + E_{2,3} + E_{3,4} + \dots + E_{n-2,n-1})$
- (3) $\text{per}(B_n + E_{3,k}) = 2^{n-k+1} \text{per}(B_{k-1} + E_{2,k-1}), (k = 4, 5, \dots, n - 1)$
- (4) $\text{per}(B_n + E_{k,\ell}) = 2^{k-2} \text{per}(B_{n-k+2} + E_{2,\ell-k+2}), (k = 4, 5, \dots, n - 1, \ell > k)$
- (5) $\text{per}(B_n + E_{2,3} + E_{3,4} + \dots + E_{n-1,n}) = 2 \times 3^{n-2}$

Now we obtain the different permanent values for the matrices in $B_n^{(k)}$.

Theorem 3.2. *The permanent value of a matrix in $B_n^{(1)}$ exactly has:*

$$\text{per}(B_n + E_{k,\ell}) = 2^{n-1} (1 + \frac{1}{3} (\frac{3}{2})^{\ell-k}), 2 \leq k < \ell.$$

Proof. (Case 1) $B_n + E_{2,k}$, for $k = 3, 4, \dots, n$.

By applying (2),(5) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}(B_n + E_{2,k}) &= 2^{n-k} \text{per}(B_k + E_{2,k}) \\ &= 2^{n-k} (2 \times 2^{k-2} + 2 \times 3^{k-3}) \\ &= 2^{n-1} \{ (1 + \frac{1}{3} (\frac{3}{2})^{k-2}) \}, (k = 3, 4, \dots, n - 1). \end{aligned}$$

If $k = n$, by (2) in lemma 3.1 we obtain

$$\text{per}(B_n + E_{2,n}) = 2^{n-1} \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^{n-2} \right) \right\}.$$

Consequently, we have

$$\text{per}(B_n + E_{2,k}) = 2^{n-1} \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^{k-2} \right) \right\}$$

for all $k = 3, 4, \dots, n$.

(Case 2) $B_n + E_{3,k}$, for $k = 4, 5, \dots, n$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}(B_n + E_{3,k}) &= 2^{n-k+1} \text{per}(B_{k-1} + E_{2,k-1}) \\ &= 2^{n-k+1} \times (2^{k-2} + 2 \times 3^{k-4}) \\ &= 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-k+2} \times 3^{k-4} \\ &= 2^{n-1} \left\{ \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^{k-3} \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

(Case 3) $B_n + E_{k,\ell}$, for $k = 4, 5, \dots, n-1$. From (1) in Lemma 3.1, $\text{per}(B_{n-k+2} + E_{2,\ell-k+2}) = 2^{n-\ell} \text{per}(B_{\ell-k+2} + E_{2,\ell-k+2})$. So from (4) in Lemma 3.1

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}(B_n + E_{k,\ell}) &= 2^{k-2} \text{per}(B_{n-k+2} + E_{2,\ell-k+2}) \\ &= 2^{n-1} + 2^{n-\ell+k-1} \times 3^{\ell-k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

So we obtain

$$\text{per}(B_n + E_{k,\ell}) = 2^{n-1} \left(1 + \frac{1}{3} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^{\ell-k} \right), 2 \leq k < \ell.$$

So we have the possible values. The proof is complete. \square

Theorem 3.3. Let $A_n^{(2)} \in B_n^{(2)}$. Then the possible values of $\text{per}A_n^{(2)}$ are

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{per}(B_n + E_{2,3} + E_{2,k}) = 3 \times 2^{n-k-2} + 2^{n-k+1} \times 3^{k-3}, \\ \hspace{20em} (k = 3, 4, \dots, n-1) \\ \text{per}(B_n + E_{2,3} + E_{k,\ell}) = 3 \times [2^{n-k} + 2^{n-k-1} \times 3^{\ell-k-3}], \\ \hspace{15em} (k = 3, 4, \dots, n-1, k < \ell) \\ \text{per}(B_n + E_{2,4} + E_{k,\ell}) = 7 \times [2^{n-k} + 2^{n-k-1} \times 3^{\ell-k-5}], \\ \hspace{15em} (k = 3, 4, \dots, n-1, k < \ell) \\ \text{per}(B_n + E_{t,m} + E_{\ell,k}) = 2^{n-2} + 9 \times 2^{n-k} + 3^{\ell-k-1} \times \\ \hspace{10em} (2^{n-k-1} + 2^{n-\ell+k-2}), (t < \ell, m < k). \end{array} \right.$$

Proof. (1) By the Laplace expansion of $B_n + E_{2,3} + E_{2,k}$ on row 3, we obtain the

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}(B_n + E_{2,3} + E_{2,k}) &= 3\text{per}(B_{n-1} + E_{2,k-1}) \\ &= 3[2^{n-k}\text{per}(B_{k-1} + E_{2,k-1})] \\ &= 3 \times 2^{n-k}[2\text{per}B_{k-2}\text{per}(B_{k-2} + E_{2,3} \\ &\quad + E_{3,4} + \dots + E_{k-3,k-2})] \\ &= 3 \times 2^{n-k-2} + 2^{n-k+1} \times 3^{k-3}. \end{aligned}$$

(2) By the Laplace expansion on the second row of $B_n + E_{2,3} + E_{\ell,k}$,

$$\text{per}(B_n + E_{2,3} + E_{k,\ell}) = 3 \times \text{per}(B_{n-1} + E_{k-1,\ell-1}).$$

Applying (4) in 3.1, we obtain the

$$\text{per}(B_{n-1} + E_{k-1,\ell-1}) = 2^{k-3}\text{per}(B_{n-k+1} + E_{2,\ell-k+1}).$$

So

$$\text{per}(B_n + E_{2,3} + E_{k,\ell}) = 3 \times [2^{n-k} + 2^{n-k-1} \times 3^{\ell-k-3}].$$

(3) By the Laplace expansion on the second row of $B_n + E_{2,4} + E_{k,\ell}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}(B_n + E_{2,4} + E_{k,\ell}) &= 2 \times \text{per}(B_{n-1} + E_{k-1,\ell-1}) \\ &\quad + \text{per}(B_{n-1} + E_{2,3} + E_{k-1,\ell-1}) \\ &= 2 \times (2^{n-k+1} + 2^{n-k} \times 3^{\ell-k-1}) \\ &\quad + 3 \times (2^{n-k} + 2^{n-k-1} \times 3^{\ell-k-3}) \\ &= 7 \times (2^{n-k} + 2^{n-k-1} \times 3^{\ell-k-2}). \end{aligned}$$

(4) By the Laplace expansion on the second row of $B_n + E_{t,m} + E_{k,\ell}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}(B_n + E_{t,m} + E_{k,\ell}) &= 2^{t-2} \times \text{per}(B_{n-t+2} + E_{2,m-t+2} + E_{k-t+2,\ell-t+2}) \\ &= 2^{t-2} \times [2^{k-t-1} \times (2^{n-k+1} + 2^{n-\ell+1} \times 3^{\ell-k-1}) \\ &\quad + 3^2 \times (2^{n-k} + 2^{n-k-1} \times 3^{\ell-k-3})] \\ &= 2^{n-2} + 9 \times 2^{n-k} \\ &\quad + 3^{\ell-k-1} \times (2^{n-k-1} + 2^{n-\ell+k-2}). \end{aligned}$$

4. Application

Let $B = \{0, 1\}$ be the Boolean algebra and $B^n = \{(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n) | b_i \in B, i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ the product algebra of B . Then B^n has useful expression for the many situations of computer science. Sometimes the elements of B^n are called by *n-bit strings*. If we have a security number with n -digits, then we can have the corresponding number encoding by n square matrices of order 5.

Example 4.1. Let $\ell = 4679$ be a security number with 4-digits. Since every number in each digits is less than or equal to 9. So we consider the matrix B_5 of order 5:

$$B_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{per} B_5 = 16.$$

Take $t_1 = 4$. Then $16 - t_1 = 12_{(2)} = 1100$. Similarly take $t_2 = 6$ with $10_{(2)} = 1010$, $t_3 = 7$ with $9_{(2)} = 1001$ and $t_4 = 9$ with $7_{(2)} = 0111$. Then we obtain

$$B_5(12) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{per} B_5(12) = 16 - 12 = 4.$$

$$B_5(10) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{per} B_5(10) = 16 - 10 = 6.$$

$$B_5(9) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{per} B_5(9) = 16 - 9 = 7.$$

$$B_5(7) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \text{per} B_5(7) = 16 - 7 = 9.$$

So we can get the matrix code corresponding to the security number $\ell = 4679$ as followings:

$$4679 \rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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