

## TABLES OF $D$ -CLASSES IN THE SEMIGROUP $B_n$ OF THE BINARY RELATIONS ON A SET $X$ WITH $n$ -ELEMENTS

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### 0. Introduction

$M_n(F)$  denotes the set of all  $n \times n$  matrices over  $F = \{0, 1\}$ . For  $a, b \in F$ , define  $a+b = \max\{a, b\}$  and  $ab = \min\{a, b\}$ . Under these operations  $a+b$  and  $ab$ ,  $M_n(F)$  forms a multiplicative semigroup (see [1], [4]) and we call it the semigroup of the  $n \times n$  Boolean matrices over  $F = \{0, 1\}$ . Since the semigroup  $M_n(F)$  is the matrix representation of the semigroup  $B_n$  of the binary relations on the set  $X$  with  $n$  elements, we may identify  $M_n(F)$  with  $B_n$  for finding all  $D$ -classes. A problem [3] is for the determination of all  $D$ -classes in  $B_n$ , we pose the following problem.

PROBLEM 1. Find all  $D$ -classes in  $M_n(F)$ .

This is an unsolved problem for  $n > 4$ . We shall give tables of all  $D$ -classes in  $M_n(F)$  for  $n=1, 2, 3, 4$ .

As the second item of this paper we pose problems in connection with the semigroup  $M_n(F)$  of all  $n \times n$  Boolean matrices over  $F$ .

### 1. Tables of $D$ -classes

Let  $F = \{0, 1\}$  be the set of two elements 0 and 1.  $M_n(F)$  denotes the semigroup of all  $n \times n$  Boolean matrices over  $F$ .

DEFINITION 1. Define a set  $V_n(F) = \{(x_0x_1 \cdots x_{n-1}) : x_i \in F\}$ . For  $(x_0x_1 \cdots x_{n-1}) \in V_n(F)$  we define  $m(x_0x_1 \cdots x_{n-1}) = m_i = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} x_i 2^i$ , (a positive integer  $m_i$ ) and we shall say that the name of  $(x_0x_1 \cdots x_{n-1})$  is  $m_i$ .

EXAMPLE 1. Let  $(101) \in V_3(F)$ . We call  $(101)$  5 and write  $m(101) = 5 = 1 \cdot 2^0 + 0 \cdot 2^1 + 1 \cdot 2^2$ . We have that  $11 = m(1101)$ . For  $A = (a_{ij}) \in M_n(F)$ , we denote by  $A_i$  the  $i$ -th row of  $A$ . Since  $A_i \in V_n(F)$ , there exists  $m_i$  such that  $m(A_i) = m_i$ .

DEFINITION 2. Let  $A \in M_n(F)$  and let  $A_i$  be the  $i$ -th row of  $A$ . Let  $m_i = m(A_i)$  be the name of  $A_i$ . We call  $A(m_1m_2 \cdots m_n)$  and write  $A = (m_1m_2 \cdots m_n)$ .

EXAMPLE 2. Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \in M_3(F)$ . Since  $m(A_1) = m(110) = 3$ ,  $m(A_2) = m(101)$

$=5$ ,  $m(A_3) = m(0\ 1\ 1) = 6$ , we can write  $A = (3\ 5\ 6)$ .

NOTATION. We shall have the following notation:

$$\begin{array}{l} 11(3\ 5\ 6) \\ r=3, c=3 \\ \text{NR} \\ n=6 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

The above notation means that the  $D$ -class in  $M_3(F)$

containing  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  has 6 ( $n=6$ ) elements, non-regular (NR) and 11th  $D$ -class

in a table for  $M_3(F)$ . As we noted above the name of  $A$  is  $(3\ 5\ 6)$ ,  $r=3$  means that the row rank of  $A$  is equal to 3, and  $c=3$  means that the column rank of  $A$  is equal to 3. We have now  $D$ -classes tables in  $M_n(F)$ ,  $n=1, 2, 3, 4$ .

TABLE 1.  $M_1(F)$  has two  $D$ -classes:

$$\begin{array}{ll} 1(0) & 2(1) \\ (0) & (1) \\ r=0, c=0 & r=1, c=1 \\ R & R \\ n=1 & n=1 \end{array}$$

$R$  denotes that it is regular.

TABLE 2.  $M_2(F)$  has 4  $D$ -classes.

$$\begin{array}{llll} 1(00) & 2(10) & 3(12) & 4(13) \\ r=0=c & r=1=c & r=2=c & r=2=c \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ R & R & R & R \\ n=1 & n=9 & n=2 & n=4 \end{array}$$

TABLE 3.  $M_3(F)$  has 11  $D$ -classes.

$$\begin{array}{llll} 1(000) & 2(100) & 3(120) & 4(130) \\ r=0=c & r=1=c & r=1=c & r=2=c \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ R & R & R & R \\ n=1 & n=49 & n=162 & n=144 \\ 5(124) & 6(125) & 7(127) & 8(135) \\ r=2=c & r=3=c & r=3=c & r=3=c \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ R & R & R & R \\ n=144 & n=6 & n=18 & n=18 \\ 9(137) & 10(136) & 11(356) & 12(356) \\ r=3=c & r=3=c & r=3=c & r=3=c \\ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ R & NR & NR & R \\ n=18 & n=36 & n=6 & n=36 \end{array}$$

TABLE 4.  $M_4(F)$  has 60  $D$ -classes.

$$\begin{array}{llll} 1(0000) & 2(1000) & 3(1200) & 4(1300) \\ r=0=c & r=1=c & r=2=c & r=3=c \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ R & R & R & R \\ n=1 & n=225 & n=6050 & n=6050 \end{array}$$



43(13712)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	44(13713)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	45(13714)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$	
NR		NR		NR	
$n=576$		$n=576$		$n=576$	
46(13715)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	47(161012)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	48(161013)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$	
R		NR		NR	
$n=576$		$n=96$		$n=288$	
49(161113)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	50(171113)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	51(3569)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$	
NR		NR		NR	
$n=288$		$n=96$		$n=288$	
52(35611)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	53(35615)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	54(35914)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$	
NR		NR		NR	
$n=72$		$n=96$		$n=96$	
55(351012)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	56(351013)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	57(351114)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$	
NR		NR		NR	
$n=72$		$n=576$		$n=576$	
58(371213)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	59(371314)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$	60(7111314)	$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$
$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$		$r=4=c$	
NR		NR		NR	
$n=288$		$n=288$		$n=24$	

## 2. Fuzzy matrix semigroups and boolean matrix semigroups

Kim [4] initiated a new class of semigroups  $M_n(K)$ , (the semigroups of the  $n \times n$  fuzzy matrices over  $K = \{r_i \in [0, 1] : i=0, 1, 2, \dots, m\}$ ) and Kim [7] studied a class of semigroups  $M_n(S)$  of the  $n \times n$  Boolean matrices over the set  $S = [a, b]$  of the interval, where  $a$  and  $b$  are two real numbers such that  $a < b$ . The number of all  $D$ -classes in the semigroup  $M_2(K)$  is given by Theorem [5]. Therefore we pose a problem.

PROBLEM 2. Find all  $D$ -classes of  $M_n(K)$ .

Let  $M_n(S)$  be the semigroup of the  $n \times n$  Boolean matrices over a set  $S = [a, b]$ . Let  $A \in M_n(S)$  and let  $I$  be the identity matrix in  $M_n(S)$ . If there exists  $B$  in  $M_n(S)$  such that  $AB = BA = I$ , then we say that  $B$  is the inverse of  $A$  and  $A$  is invertible. Kim [7] established a characterization of an invertible Boolean matrix in  $M_n(S)$ .

PROBLEM 3. Give a characterization of all idempotent Boolean matrices in  $M_n(S)$ .

In [9] we have a semigroup  $H(X)$  of all choice functions on a finite set  $X$ . In connection with  $H(X)$  [9], we pose the following problem.

PROBLEM 4. Find the total number of the idempotent choice functions in  $H(X)$ . (See Theorem 3[9]).

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