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## On Latin Arrays'

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#### Abstract

This paper gives a survey on Latin arrays. We first discuss enumeration of Latin arrays, and present some results on numbers of Latin arrays and of isotopy classes. Then we deal with independence of Latin array and give a generation method of Latin arrays by means of permutations with the same independent degrees. Finally, generation of linearly independent permutations is discussed and some algorithms are mentioned.

## 1 Enumeration of Latin arrays

The problem of designing one—key cryptosystems which can be implemented by finite automata without expansion of the plaintext and with bounded propagation of decoding errors lies on choosing suitable parameters such as the size of alphabets and the length c of ciphertext history and designing three components in the canonical form (Fig. 1)—an autonomous finite automaton Ma, a transformation h and a permutation family  $g_w$  such that the systems are both efficient and secure [1, 2, 3, 4]. For studying the family of permutations used in this canonical form, the concept of Latin array is introduced and their enumeration and generation problems are investigated [5, 6].

Let  $N = \{a_1, \dots, a_n\}$  be an n element set. Let A be an  $n \times nk$  matrix on N. If each element of N occurs exactly once in each column of A and k times in each row of A, then A is said to be an (n, k)—Latin array.

Let A be an (n, k) - Latin array. If each column of A occurs exactly

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r times in columns of A repeatedly, then A is said to be an (n, k, r) - Latin array.

Latin arrays in a kind of generalization of Latin squares.

Let A and B be  $n \times m$  matrices on N. If B can be obtained from A by rearranging rows, rearranging columns and renaming elements, then A and B is said to be *isotopic*.

Clearly, if A is an (n, k)-Latin array and isotopic with B, then B is an (n, k)-Latin array and if A is an (n, k, r)-Latin array and isotopic with B, then B is an (n, k, r)-Latin array.

For (n, k)—Latin arrays or (n, k, r)—Latin arrays, the equivalence class partitioned by isotopy relation is called *isotopy class*.

By U(n, k) denote the number of all (n, k)—Latin arrays, U(n, k, r) the number of all (n, k, r)—Latin arrays, I(n, k) the number of all isotopy classes of (n, k)—Latin arrays, and I(n, k, r) the number of all isotopy classes of (n, k, r)—Latin arrays. we have [5.6]

#### **Proposition 1**

- (a). I(n,k,r)=I(n, k/r, 1);
- (b).  $U(n, k, r) = U(n, k/r, 1)(nk/r)! / (nk/r)! (r!)^{nk/r}$

#### **Proposition 2**

Let  $1 \le k < (n-1)!$ . We then have:

- (a). I(n, k, 1) = I(n, (n-1)! -k, 1);
- (b). U(n, (n-1)! -k, 1) = U(n, k, 1)(n! -nk)! / (nk)!;
- (c).  $\dot{I}(n, (n-1)!, 1) = 1$ ,  $\dot{U}(n, (n-1)!, 1) = (n!)!$ .

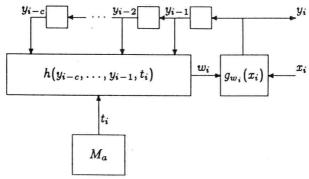


Fig. 1 (a). Encoder M

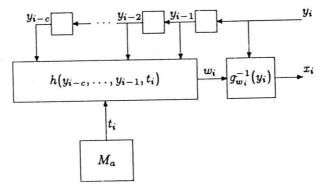


Fig. 1 (b). Decoder M'

#### Theorem 1

Theorem 1 
$$\begin{split} & \text{I(2,k)=1, U(2,k)=(2k)! /(k!)^2, } & \text{I(2,1,1)=1, U(2,1,1)=2;} \\ & \text{I(3,1,1)=1, U(3,1,1)=12,} \\ & \text{I(3,k)=} \begin{cases} (k+1)/2 \text{ if k is odd} \\ k/2+1 \text{ otherwise,} \end{cases} & \text{U(3,k)=} \sum_{h=0}^{k} (3k)! /(h! (k-h)!)^3, \\ & \text{I(4,1)=2, U(4,1)=(4!)^2, } & \text{I(4,1,1)=2, U(4,1,1)=(4!)^2, } \\ & \text{I(4,2)=11, U(4,2)=12640320} & \text{I(4,2,1)=6, U(4,2,1)=10281600,} \\ & \text{I(4,3)=46, U(4,3)=805929062400,} & \text{I(4,3,1)=11, U(4,3,1)=306561024000,} \\ & \text{I(4,4)=201,} & \text{U(4,4,1)=87285061904040000,} \\ & \text{I(4,4,1)=6,} & \text{U(4,4,1)=10281600} \times 16! /8!.} \end{split}$$

A program for generating the representatives of (n, k)—Latin array's isotopy classes was run on a JAGER386 computer and the following results was reported. [7]

#### Theorem 2

$$I(4,5) = 831; I(5,2) = 864.$$

An (n,k)-Latin array is said to be an involutive (n,k)-Latin array if each column corresponds to an involution.

By U'(n,k) denote the number of all involutive (n,k)—Latin arrays. In [8], U'(N,K) for  $2 \le n \le 5$  and the following results are given.

### Theorem 3

$$U'(6,1) = 457920, U'(7,1) = 31298400, U'(8,1) = 427379500800.$$

## 2 Linear independent Latin arrays

Let A be an (n,k) - Latin array. Denote  $r = \lceil log_q nk \rceil$ . The vector  $\lceil u_1 \rceil$ ,

 $\dots, u_r$ ] over GF(q) is said to be *column label* of column  $(u_1q^{r-1}+u_2q^{r-2}+\dots+u_r)+1$  of A.

**Definition** Let A be an (n,k)—Latin array. Let  $x \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  and  $y \in N$ . If components of column labels of columns of A in which the elements at row x are y satisfy some r-ary polynomial with degree  $\leq c$  over GF(q), then A is said to be c-independent with respect to (x,y), otherwise, A is said to be c-independent with respect to (x,y). If A is c-dependent with respect to (x,y) for any  $x \in \{1,\dots,n\}$  and  $y \in N$ , then A is said to be c-dependent. If A is c-independent with respect to (x,y) for any  $x \in \{1,\dots,n\}$  and  $y \in N$ , then A is said to be c-independent. If A is c-dependent and not (c-1)-dependent, then c is said to be dependent degree of A, denoted by  $c_A$ . If A is c-independent and not (c-1)-independent, then c is said to be independent degree of A, denoted by  $I_A$ .

Linearly independent Latin arrays are useful for simplifying a cryptosystem. [9]

### **Proposition 3**

Let A be an (n,k)-Latin array. Let  $r' = \lceil \log_q nk \rceil$ , and  $c_q(n,k) = \min c \lceil 1 + \binom{r}{1} + \dots + \binom{r'}{c} \rangle k \rceil$ . Then we have  $c_A \leqslant c_q(n,k)$ .

We use  $R_q^r$  to denote the vector space of dimension r over GF(q). For any nonnegative integer m, let  $f_m$  be a one—one mapping from  $R_q^m$  to  $\{0, 1, \cdots q^m-1\}$  defined by  $f_m(x_1, \cdots, x_m) = x_1q^{m-1} + x_2q^{m-2} + \cdots + x_m$ . Let  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  be two permutations on  $R_q^r$ , and  $\varphi$  a transformation on  $R_q^r$ . Denote  $\Phi = (\varphi_1, \varphi, \varphi_2)$ . Construct a  $q^r \times q^{2r}$  matrix  $A_{\Phi}$  over  $R_q^r$  as follows: the element at row i+1 and column j+1 is  $\varphi_1(w_1) \oplus \varphi(\varphi_2(w_2) \oplus f_r^{-1}(i)$ , where  $(w_1, w_2) = f_{2r}^{-1}(j)$ , and  $w_1$  and  $w_2$  have dimension r.

## Proposition 4

 $A_{\phi}$  is a  $(q^r, q^r)$ -Latin array if and only if  $\varphi$  is a permutation.

Whenever  $\varphi$  is a permutation,  $A_{\varphi}$  is said to be  $(q^r, q^r)$ —Latin array of  $\Phi$ .

**Definition** Let  $\varphi$  be a transformation on  $R_q^r$  with component functions  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_r$ . For any nonnegative integer c, if there is a 2r-ary polynomial h over GF(q) such that

$$h(x_1,\cdots,x_r,\,\varphi_1(x_1,\cdots,x_r),\cdots,\varphi_r(x_1,\cdots,x_r))=0,x_1,\cdots,\cdots x_r\in GF(q),$$

then  $\varphi$  is said to be *c*-dependent, and *h* is said to be a dependent polynomial of  $\varphi$ . If  $\varphi$  is not *c*-dependent, then  $\varphi$  is said to be *c*-independent. If  $\varphi$  is *c*-

dependent and (c-1)—independent, then c is said to be dependent degree of  $\varphi$ , denoted by  $c_{\varphi}$ , and c-1 is said to be independent degree of  $\varphi$ , denoted by  $I_{\varphi}$ .

An affine transformation on  $R_q^r$  means  $xC \oplus b$ , where C is a  $r \times r$  matrix over GF(q), b is a row vector of dimension r over GF(q).

#### Theorem 4

Let  $\varphi$  be a transformation on  $R'_q$ , and p and q be two invertibe offine transformations on  $R'_q$ . Let  $\varphi'(x) = p(\varphi(q(x)))$ ,  $x \in R'_q$ . Then we have  $c_{\varphi} = c_{\varphi}'$  and  $I\varphi = I\varphi'$ .

#### Theorem 5

Let  $\varphi$  be a transformation on  $R_q^r$ , and  $\varphi_1$  and  $\varphi_2$  be two invertible affine transformations on  $R_q^r$ . Let  $\Phi = (\varphi_1, \varphi, \varphi_2)$ , and  $A_{\Phi}$  be the  $(q^r, q^r) - L$  at array of  $\Phi$ . Then we have: (1).  $c_{A\Phi} = c_{\varphi}$ , (2).  $I_{A\Phi} = I_{\varphi}$ , (3).  $C_{A\Phi} = I_{A\Phi} + 1$ .

Denote  $c_q(r) = c_q(q^r, q^r)$ . We have

#### **Proposition 5**

For any transformation  $\varphi$  on  $R_q^r$ , we have  $c_{\varphi} \leq c_q(r)$ .

#### Theorem 6

For q=2,  $1 \le r \le 6$ , there is a permutation  $\varphi$  on  $R_2^r$  such that  $c_{\varphi}=c_2(r)$ .

## 3 A kind of linear independent permutations

It is known that all r-ary functions on GF(q) is a vector space over GF(q) and has a basis  $\{P_{k_1}, \dots, k_r\}, k_1, \dots, k_r = 0, 1, \dots, q-1\}$ , where  $P_{k_1}, \dots, k_r(x_1, \dots, x_r) = x_1^{k_1} \dots x_r^{k_r}$ . Let

$$\Gamma \!=\! \big[P_{00\cdots 00}, P_{00\cdots 01}, \cdots, P_{(q-1)(q-1)\cdots (q-1)(q-2)}, P_{(q-1)(q-1)\cdots (q-1)(q-1)}\big],$$

then we can formally express

$$f(x_1,\cdots,x_r)=\Gamma_b,$$

where b is a column vector of dimension  $q^r$  over GF(q) determined uniquely by f and referred as *polynomial coordinate of* f. [10]

Let  $\varphi$  be a transformation on  $R_q^r$  with component functions  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_r$ . Let  $b_i$  is the polynomial coordinate of  $\varphi_i$ ,  $i=1,\dots,r$ . The  $q^r \times r$  matrix  $[b_1,\dots,b_r]$  is called *polynomial coordinate matrix* of  $\varphi$  and denoted by  $B_{\varphi}$ . By  $B_{\varphi}^-$  denote the submatrix of  $B_{\varphi}$  obtained by deleting its rows  $1,1+q^i$ ,  $i=0,1,\dots,r-1$ .

#### Theorem 7

 $C_{\varphi} > 1$  if and only if columns of  $B_{\varphi}^-$  are linearly independent.

Let s < r.  $\varphi$  be a transformation on  $R_q^s$ , and  $h_i$  a (r-i)—ary function on GF(q),  $i=1,\dots,r-s$ . Let  $c_1,\dots,c_{r-s} \in GF(q)$ . Define a transforma-

tion  $\varphi$  of which component functions are

$$\varphi_{1}(x_{1}, \dots, x_{r}) = c_{1}x_{1} + h_{1}(x_{2}, \dots, x_{r}), 
\varphi_{2}(x_{1}, \dots, x_{r}) = c_{2}x_{2} + h_{2}(x_{3}, \dots, x_{r}), 
\dots \dots 
\varphi_{r-s}(x_{1}, \dots, x_{r}) = c_{r-s}x_{r-s} + h_{r-s}(x_{r-s+1}, \dots, x_{r}), 
\varphi_{r}(x_{1}, \dots, x_{r}) = \varphi_{1}(x_{r-s+1}, \dots, x_{r}), 
\dots \dots 
\varphi_{r}(x_{1}, \dots, x_{r}) = \varphi_{s}(x_{r-s+1}, \dots, x_{r}), 
x_{1}, \dots, x_{r} \in GF(q),$$

where  $\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_s'$  are the component functions of  $\varphi$ . Denote such a  $\varphi$  by Rec  $(\varphi', h_1, \dots, h_{r-s}, c_1, \dots, c_{r-s})$ .

#### Lemma 1

If  $\varphi$  is a permutation on  $R_q^s$  and  $c_i \neq 0$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r-s$ , then  $Rec(\varphi, h_1, \dots, h_{r-s})$ ,  $c_1, \dots, c_{r-s}$  is a permutation on  $R_q^r$ .

#### Theorem 8

Let 
$$s < r$$
,  $\varphi$  is a permutation on  $R_q^s$  and  $c_{\varphi}' > 1$ . Then elements of  $\Phi' = \{ |\Phi| \ C\varphi >, \ \varphi = Rec(\varphi, h_1, \dots, h_{r-s}, C1, \dots, C_{r-s}) \}$  for some  $h_i, c_i \neq 0, i = 1, \dots, r-s \}$ 

are penutations on  $R_q^r$  and number of elements of  $\Phi'$  is

$$(q-1)^{r-s}q^{(r-s)(r+s+1)/2}\prod_{i=s+1}^{r-1}(q^{q^{i-1}-1}-q^i)$$

#### Corollary 1

Let s < r,  $\varphi$  be a permutation on  $R_q^s$  and  $c_{\varphi} > 1$ . Let B be a  $q^r \times r$  matrix over GF(q) satisfying following conditions; the submatrix consisting of elements in the first  $q^s$  rows and the last s columns of B are zeros; for any j,  $1 \le j \le r - s$ , in the column j of B, element at row  $q^{r-j} + 1$  is nonzero and elements in the last  $q^r - q^{r-j} - 1$  rows are zeros; for any j,  $1 \le j \le r - s - 1$ , in the column j of B, a nonzero element is included in rows  $q^{r-j-1} + 2$  to  $q^{r-j}$ ; and the first column of the submatrix which consists of elements in the first  $q^s$  rows and the last s+1 columns of B cannot be linearly expressed by the rest. If B is the polynomial coordinate matrix of  $\varphi$ , then  $\varphi$  is a permutation on  $R_q^r$  and  $c_{\varphi} > 1$ . Furthermore, number of such permutations is

$$(q-1)^{r-s}(q^{q^s}-q^s)\prod_{i=s+1}^{r-1}(q^{q^i}-q^{q^{i-1}+1})$$

## 4 Generation of linear independent permutations

Let  $\varphi$  be a transformation on  $R_2^r$ . Let  $W_i$  be a  $\binom{r}{i} \times r$  matrix over GF(2) of which rows consist of all difference vectors of dimension r with weight i,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, r$ . Denote the vector with components 1 of dimension  $\binom{r}{i}$  by  $I_i$ . For any i,  $0 \le i \le r$ , define  $a \binom{r}{i} \times r$  matrix  $U_i$  over GF(2) of which row j is the value of  $\varphi$  on row j of  $W_i$ ,  $0 \le j \le \binom{r}{i}$ . Define a  $2^r \times (1+r)$  matrix

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi} = \begin{bmatrix} I_0 & W_0 & U_O \\ I_1 & W_1 & U_1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ I_r & W_r & U_r \end{bmatrix}$$

Denote the submatrix of columns 2 to r+1 of  $\Phi$  by W, and the submatrix of the last r columns of  $\Phi$  by  $U_{\varphi}$ .

For convenience sake, we rearrange rows of  $W_1$  so that it is the identity matrix.

#### Lemma 2

(a).  $c_{\varphi} > 1$  if and only if columns of  $\Phi$  are linearly independent. (b).  $\varphi$  is invertible if and only if rows of  $U_{\varphi}$  are distinct.

By  $E_t$  denote the  $\binom{r}{t} \times \binom{r}{t}$  identity matrix. Let the  $2^r \times 2^r$  matrix

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} I_0 & W_0 \\ I_1 & W_1 \\ I_2 & W_2 & E_2 \\ 0 & W_3 & 0 & E_3 \\ I_4 & W_4 & 0 & 0 & E_4 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ I_{r-1}' & W_{r-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & E_{r-1} \\ I_{r}' & W_{r} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & E_r \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $I_j' = I_j$  if j is even,  $I_j' = 0I_j$  otherwise. It is easy to verify that P is nonsingular and

$$P^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} I_0, & W_0 \\ I_1 & W_1 \\ I_2 & W_2 & E_2 \\ I_3 & W_3 & 0 & E_3 \\ I_4 & W_4 & 0 & 0 & E_4 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ I_{r-1} & W_{r-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots E_{r-1} \\ I_r & W_r & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & E_r \end{bmatrix}$$
 the form of

#### Lemma 3

 $P\Phi$  is in the form of

$$Poldsymbol{\Phi} = egin{bmatrix} I_0 & 0 & V_0 \ 0 & E_1 & V_1 \ 0 & 0 & V_2 \ dots & dots & dots \ 0 & 0 & V_s \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $V_0 = U_0$ ,  $V_i$  is a  $\binom{r}{i} \times matrix$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, r$ .

Denote the last r columns of  $P\Phi$  by  $V_{\varphi}$ . Denote the submatrix of  $V_{\varphi}$ obtained by deleting its first 1+r rows by  $V_{\varphi}$ .

 $C_{\varphi} > 1$  if and only if columns of  $V_{\varphi}$  are linearly independent.

#### Lemma 5

For any i,  $1 \le i \le r$ , and any  $r \times r$  permutation matrix Q over GF(2), there exists uniquely a  $\binom{r}{i} \times \binom{r}{i}$  permutation matrix  $P_{iQ}$  such that  $P_{iQ}$   $W_i$ WiQ.

Let

 $G_r' = \{D_Q | Q \text{ is a } r \times r \text{ permutation matrix over } GF(2)\}.$ 

It is easy to verify that  $G_r'$  is a group and isomorphic to the group consisting of all  $r \times r$  permutation matrices over GF(2) under the isomorphism  $P_{iQ} \leftrightarrow Q$ .

Let  $G_r = \{ \langle D_Q, \delta, C \rangle \mid Q \text{ is a } r \times r \text{ permutation matrix over } GF(2), \}$  $\delta$  is a row vector of dimension r over GF(2), C is a  $r \times r$  nonsingular matrix over GF(2). Let. be an operation on  $G_r$  defined by

$$< D_Q$$
,  $\delta$ ,  $C > ... < D_{Q'}$ ,  $\delta'$ ,  $C' > = < D_Q D_{Q'}$ ,  $\delta \oplus \delta'$ ,  $C' C > ...$ 

It is easy to verify that  $\langle G_r, . \rangle$  is a group.

Any  $2^r \times r$  matrix V, partition it into blocks

$$V = \begin{bmatrix} V_0 \\ V_1 \\ \vdots \\ V_r \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $V_i$  has  $\binom{r}{i}$  rows,  $0 \leqslant i \leqslant r$ . For any  $\langle D_Q, \delta, C \rangle$  in  $G_r$ , define

$$\langle D_{Q}, \delta, C \rangle = D_{Q}(V \oplus \begin{bmatrix} \delta \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix})C = D_{Q}VC \oplus \begin{bmatrix} \delta & C \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

V and V' are said to be equivalent if there is  $< D_Q$ ,  $\delta$ , C > in  $G_r$  such that  $V^{<D_Q,\delta,C>} = V'$ .

#### Lemma 6

Assume that  $V^{\langle D_Q, \delta, C \rangle} = V'$ , then we have

$$P^{-1}V' = D_{Q}(P^{-1}V)C \oplus \begin{bmatrix} \partial C \\ \partial C \\ \vdots \\ \partial C \end{bmatrix}$$

Denote the submatrices of V and of V' obtained by deleting their first 1 + r rows by  $V_-$  and  $V'_-$ , respectively.

#### Theorem 9

Assume that V and V' are equivalent. Then we have: (a). Columns of  $V_-$  are linearly independent if and only if columns of  $V'_-$  are linearly independent; (b). Rows of  $P^{-1}V$  are distinct if and only if rows of  $P^{-1}V$  are distinct.

By  $S(V_0,V_1)$  denote the set of all  $2^r \times r$  matrices over GF(2) satisfying the following conditions: the first row of V is  $V_0$ , the submatrix of rows 2 to 1+r of V is  $V_1$ , columns of  $V_-$  are linearly independent, and rows of  $P^{-1}V$  are distinct.

### Corollary 2

Let  $\delta$  be a row vector of dimension r over GF(2), Q a  $r \times r$  permutation matrix over GF(2), and C a  $r \times r$  nonsingular matrix over GF(2). Then we have

$$S((V_0 \oplus \delta)C, QV_1C) = \{V^{Q_Q,\delta,C} | V \in S(V_0, V_1)\},$$
 and  $|S((V_0 \oplus \delta C, QV_1C)| = |S(V_0, V_1)|$ 

For any positive integer r, Denote  $G_r'' = \{\langle Q, C \rangle\} | Q$  is a  $r \times r$  permutation matrix over GF(2), C is a  $r \times r$  nonsingular matrix over GF(2). Let be an operation on  $G_r''$  defined by  $\langle Q, C \rangle$ .  $\langle Q', C' \rangle = \langle QQ', C'C \rangle$ . It is easy to verify that  $\langle G_r'', ... \rangle$  is a group. For any  $r \times r$ 

matrix  $V_1$  over GF(2) and any  $\langle Q,C \rangle$  in  $G_r''$ , denote  $V_r^{\langle Q,C \rangle} = QV_1C$ .  $V_1$  and  $V_r^{\langle Q,C \rangle}$  are said to be *equivalent* under  $G_r''$ . For  $r \times r$  matrices over GF(2), representatives of equivalences under  $G_r''$  are said to be *canonical* forms under  $G_r''$ .

Notice that both the property that  $V_1$  has no zero row and the property that rows of  $V_1$  are distinct keeps unchanged under equivalence. Clearly,  $S(V_0, V_1) \neq 0$  yields that  $V_1$  has no zero row and that rows of  $V_1$  are distinct. From Corollary 2, it is sufficient to compute  $S(0, V_1)$ , where  $V_1$  ranges over canonical forms under group  $G_r$  of which rows are distinct and nonzero. For example, in case of r=4,  $V_1$  has only three alternatives:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

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#### Lemma 7

Let

$$P_{\scriptscriptstyle R} = egin{bmatrix} I_{\scriptscriptstyle 0} & & & & \ & E_{\scriptscriptstyle 1} & & \ & & P_{\scriptscriptstyle R}' \end{bmatrix}$$

be a  $2^r \times 2^r$  permutation matrix. Assume that

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} I_0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_1 & 0 \\ 0 & W^* & P_{R'} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$W^{\star} = W \oplus P_{R}'W, W = \begin{bmatrix} W_{2} \\ W_{3} \\ \vdots \\ W_{r} \end{bmatrix}$$

Then we have  $P_RP^{-1} = P^{-1}R$ , and R satisfying the above equation is uniquely determined by  $P_R$ .

#### Theorem 10

The following two conditions are equivalent: (1). the first r+1 rows of V and of V' are the same, and  $P^{-1}V$  and  $P^{-1}V'$  are different only in a row permutation;

(2). the first r+1 rows of V and of V' are the same and there exists a  $(2^r-1-r)\times (2^r-1-r)$  permutation matrix P'<sub>R</sub> such that

$$V'_{-}=(E'\oplus P_{R'})WV_{1}\oplus P'_{R}V_{-},$$

where  $V_-$  and  $V'_-$  are the submatrices of V and of V' obtained by deleting their first 1+