# The Wilson's Meet And Reciprocal Wilson's Meet **Matrices On A Sets**

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## **Abstract**

Wilson's meet and Reciprocal Wilson's meet matrices on A sets are considered and the expression for determinant, inverse and the matrices are expressed in terms of A-sets.

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $S = \{x_1, x_2, ..., x_n\}$  be a set of distinct positive integes r, and let f be an arithmetical function. Then  $n \times n$ matrix (S) whose i,j-entry is the greatest common divisor  $(x_i, x_j)$  of  $x_i$  and  $x_j$  is called the GCD matrix on S[1, 2, 4, 5]. The set S is said to be factor-closed if it contains every divisor of any element of S, and the set S is said to be GCD-closed if it contains the greatest common divisor of any two elements of S[2, 3, 7]. Let  $(P, \wedge)$  be a meet-semilattice and let  $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  be a subset of P. Then S is an A-set if  $A = \{x_i \land x_i / x_i \neq x_i\}$  is a chain. For example, chains and a-sets (with  $A = \{a\}$ ) are known trivial Asets. The meet matrix  $(S)_f$  on S with respect to a function  $f: P \to \mathbb{C}$  is defined as  $((S)_f)_{ij} = f(x_i \wedge x_j).$ 

If  $f(x_i \wedge x_j) = (x_i \wedge x_j - 1)! + 1$  then the  $n \times n$  meet matrix obtained is called the Wilson's meet matrix on S.

If  $f(x_i \wedge x_j) = \frac{1}{(x_i \wedge x_j - 1)! + 1}$  then the  $n \times n$  meet matrix obtained is called the Reciprocal Wilson's meet matrix on S.

We say that S is an A-set if the set  $A = \{x_i \land x_j / x_i \neq x_j\}$  is a chain (an A-set need not be meet-closed). For example, chains and a-sets (with  $A = \{a\}$  are known trivial A sets. Since the method, presented in [10], adapted to A-sets might not be sufficiently effective, we give a new structure theorem for  $(S)_f$  where S is an A-set. One of its features is that it supports recursive function calls.

By the structure theorem we obtain a recursive formula for  $\det(S)_f$  and for  $(S_f)^{-1}$ on A-sets. By dissolving the recursion on certain sets we also obtain e.g. the known explicit determinant and inverse formulae on chains and a-sets.

Note that  $(\mathbf{Z}+,|) = (\mathbf{Z}+, \gcd, lcm)$  is a locally finite lattice, where | is the usual divisibility relation and gcd and lcm stand for the greatest common divisor and the least common multiple of integers. Thus meet matrices are generalizations of GCD matrices  $((S)_f)_{ij} = f(\gcd(x_i, x_i))$  and therefore the results in this paper also hold for GCD. For general accounts of GCD matrices, see [11]. Meet matrices are also generalizations of GCUD matrices, the unitary analogies of GCD matrices, see [12]. Thus the results also hold for GCUD matrices.

#### 2 DEFINITIONS

**Definition 2.1** The binary operation  $\sqcap$  is defined by

$$S_1 \sqcap S_2 = \{x \land y \mid x \in S_1, y \in S_2, x \neq y\}$$
 (2.1)

where  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are nonempty subsets of P. Let S be a subset of P and let  $a \in P$ . If  $S \sqcap S = \{a\}$ , then the set S is said to be an **a-set**.

**Definition 2.2** Let  $S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$  be a subset of P with  $x_i < x_j \Rightarrow i < j$  and let  $A = \{ a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1} \}$  be a multichain (i.e. a chain where duplicates are allowed) with  $a_1 \leq a_2 \leq \dots \leq a_{n-1}$ . The set S is said to be an A-set if  $\{x_k\} \cap \{x_{k+1}, \dots, x_n\} = \{a_k\}$  for all  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .

Every chain  $S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$  is an A-set with  $A = S \setminus \{x_n\}$  and every a-set is always an A-set with  $A = \{a\}$ .

**Definition 2.3** Let f be a complex-valued function on P. Then the  $n \times n$  matrix  $(S)_f$ , where  $((S)_f)_{ij} = f(x_i \wedge x_j)$ , is called the meet matrix on S with respect to f. Also the  $n \times n$  matrix  $(S)_f$ , where  $((S)_f)_{ij} = f(x_i \wedge x_j) = (x_i \wedge x_j - 1)! + 1$  is called the Wilson's meet matrix on S.

**Definition 2.4** Let f be a complex-valued function on P. Also the  $n \times n$  matrix  $(S)_f$ , where  $((S)_f)_{ij} = f(x_i \wedge x_j) = \frac{1}{(x_i \wedge x_j - 1)! + 1}$  is called the Reciprocal Wilson's meet matrix on S.

In what follows, let  $S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$  always be a finite subset of P with  $x_i < x_j \Rightarrow i < j$ . Let also  $A = \{ a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1} \}$  with  $a_i < a_j \Rightarrow i < j$ . Note that S has always n distinct elements, but it is possible that the set A is a multiset. Let f be a complex-valued function on P.

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#### 3.1 Structure Theorem

**Theorem 3.1 (Structure Theorem)** Let  $S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$  be an A-set, where  $A = \{ a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1} \}$  is a multichain. Let  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  denote the functions on P defined by  $f_1 = f$  and

$$f_{k+1}(x) = f_k(x) - \frac{f_k(a_k)^2}{f_k(x_k)}$$
(3.1)

for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .

Then

$$(S)_f = M^T D M, (3.2)$$

where  $D = \text{diag}(f_1(x_1), f_2(x_2), \dots, f_n(x_n))$  and M is the  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrix with 1's on its main diagonal, and further

$$(M)_{ij} = \frac{f_i(a_i)}{f_i(x_i)} \tag{3.3}$$

for all i < j. (Note that  $f_1, \ldots, f_n$  exist if and only if  $(f_k(x_k) = 0, a_k \neq x_k) \Rightarrow f_k(a_k) = 0$  holds for all  $k = 1, 2, \ldots, n-1$ . In the case  $f_k(a_k) = f_k(x_k) = 0$  we can write e.g.  $(M)_{kj} = 0$  for all k < j.

*Proof*: Let i < j. Then

$$(M^{T}DM)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} (M)_{ki}(D)_{kk}(M)_{kj} = f_{i}(a_{i}) + \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} \frac{f_{k}(a_{k})^{2}}{f_{k}(x_{k})}$$
(3.4)

$$= f_i(a_i) + \sum_{k=1}^{i-1} (f_k(a_i) - f_{k+1}(a_i)) = f_1(a_i) = f(x_i \land x_j).$$

The case i = j is similar, we only replace every  $a_i$  with  $x_i$  in (3.4). Since  $M^TDM$  is symmetric, we do not need to treat the case i > j.

# 3.2 Determinant of Wilson's Meet and Reciprocal Wilson's Meet matrices on A-sets

By Structure Theorem we obtain a new recursive formula for  $det(S)_f$  on A-sets.

**Theorem 3.2** Let 
$$S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$$
 be an A-set, where  $A = \{ a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1} \}$ 

is a multichain. Let  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  be the functions defined in (3.1). Then

$$\det(S)_f = f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2)....f_n(x_n), \tag{3.5}$$

By Theorem 3.2 we obtain a known explicit formula for  $det(S)_f$  on chains presented in [7, Corollary 3] and [13, Corollary 1].

**Corollary 3.1** If  $S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$  is a chain, then

Det 
$$(S)_f = f(x_1) \quad \prod_{k=2}^n (f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1}))$$
 (3.6)

*Proof*: By Theorem 3.2 we have

 $\det(S)_f = f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2)....f_n(x_n)$ , where  $f_1 = f$  and

 $f_{k+1}(x) = f_k(x) - f_k(x_k) = f(x) - f(x_k)$  for all  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . This completes the proof.

By Theorem 3.2 we also obtain a known explicit formula for  $det(S)_f$  on a-sets. This formula has been presented (with different notation) in [13, Corollary of Theorem 3] and [10, Corollaries 5.1 and 5.2], and also in [16, Theorem 3] in number-theoretic setting. The case f(a) = 0 is trivial, since then  $(S)_f = \operatorname{diag}(f(x_1), f(x_2), \dots, f(x_n))$ 

and  $\det(S)_f = f(x_1)f(x_2).....f(x_n)$ .

**Corollary 3.2** Let  $S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$  be an a-set, where  $f(a) \neq 0$ . If  $a \in S$  (i.e.  $a = x_1$ ), Then  $\det(S)_f = f(a)(f(x_2) - f(a))....(f(x_n) - f(a)).$ (3.7)If  $a \notin S$ , then

$$\det(S)_f = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{f(a)(f(x_1) - f(a))....(f(x_n) - f(a))}{f(x_k) - f(a)} + (f(x_1) - f(a))....(f(x_n) - f(a)).$$
(3.8)

## Example 3.1 Wilson's matrix

Let 
$$(P, \leq \cdot) = (\mathbf{Z}+, |)$$
 and  $S = \{2, 3, 5\}$ .

Then 
$$S = \begin{bmatrix} (2-1)! + 1 & (1-1)! + 1 & (1-1)! + 1 \\ (1-1)! + 1 & (3-1)! + 1 & (1-1)! + 1 \\ (1-1)! + 1 & (1-1)! + 1 & (5-1)! + 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
. Since  $S$  is an  $A$ -set with the chain

$$A = \{1,1\}$$
 by (3.1) we have  $f_1 = f$ ,  $f_2(x) = f_1(x) - f_1(1)^2/f_1(1)$  and  $f_3(x) = f_2(x) - f_2(1)^2/f_2(3)$ . and. Let  $f(x) = (x-1)! + 1$ . Then  $f_1(x) = (x-1)! + 1$ ,  $f_2(x) = (x-1)! + \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $f_3(x) = (x-1)! + \frac{2}{5}$ 

and by Theorem 3.1 (S)<sub>f</sub>= M<sup>T</sup>DM, where D=diag(2,  $\frac{5}{2}$ ,  $\frac{122}{5}$ ) and M =  $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{7}{2} & \frac{7}{2} \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{1}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{5} \end{bmatrix}$ and by Theorem 3.2 we have  $\det(S)_f = f_1(2)f_2(3)f_3(5) = 2(\frac{5}{2})(\frac{122}{5}) = 122$ .

# Example 3.1 Reciprocal Wilson's matrix

Let  $(P, \leq) = (\mathbb{Z}+,|)$  and  $S = \{2,3,5\}$ .

Then 
$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{(2-1)!+1} & \frac{1}{(1-1)!+1} & \frac{1}{(1-1)!+1} \\ \frac{1}{(1-1)!+1} & \frac{1}{(3-1)!+1} & \frac{1}{(1-1)!+1} \\ \frac{1}{(1-1)!+1} & \frac{1}{(1-1)!+1} & \frac{1}{(5-1)!+1} \end{bmatrix}$$
. Since  $S$  is an  $A$ -set with the chain

$$A = \{1,1\} \text{ by } (3.1) \text{ we have } f_1 = f, f_2(x) = f_1(x) - f_1(1)^2 / f_1(2) \text{ and } f_3(x) = f_2(x) - f_2(1)^2 / f_2(3).$$

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{1}{(x-1)!+1}. \text{ Then } f_1(x) = \frac{1}{(x-1)!+1}, \ f_2(x) = \frac{1}{(x-1)!+1} - 2, \quad f_3(x) = \frac{1}{(x-1)!+1} - \frac{7}{5}$$

and by Theorem 3.1 (S)<sub>f</sub>= M<sup>T</sup>DM, where D=diag(
$$(\frac{1}{2})(\frac{-5}{3})(\frac{-34}{25})$$
) and M = 
$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & \frac{3}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and by Theorem 3.2 we have  $\det(S)_f = f_1(2)f_2(3)f_3(5) = \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{-5}{3} \times \frac{-34}{25} = \frac{17}{15}$ 

# 3.3 Inverse of Wilson's and Reciprocal Wilson's meet matrices on A-sets

By Structure Theorem we obtain a new recursive formula for  $(S_f)^{-1}$  on A-sets.

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $S = \{ x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \}$  be an A-set, where  $A = \{ a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{n-1} \}$  is a multichain. Let  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n$  be the functions defined in (3.1), where  $f_i(x_i) \neq 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then  $(S)_f$  is invertible and  $(S_f)^{-1} = N \triangle N^T$ (3.9)

where  $\triangle = \operatorname{diag}(1/f_1(\mathbf{x}_1), 1/f_2(\mathbf{x}_2), \dots, 1/f_n(\mathbf{x}_n))$  and N is the n×n upper triangular matrix with 1's on its main diagonal, and further

$$(N)_{ij} = -\frac{f_i(a_i)}{f_i(x_i)} \prod_{k=i+1}^{j-1} \left(1 - \frac{f_k(a_k)}{f_k(x_k)}\right)$$
(3.10)

*for all* i < j.

By Structure Theorem  $(S)_f = M^T DM$ , where M is the matrix defined in (3.3) and **Proof:**  $D = \operatorname{diag}(f_1(x_1), f_2(x_2), \dots, f_n(x_n)).$  Therefore  $(S_f)^{-1} = N \triangle N^T$ , where  $D^{-1} = \operatorname{diag}(1/f_1(x_1), 1/f_2(x_2), \dots, 1/f_n(x_n))$  and  $M^{-1} = N$  is the  $n \times n$  upper triangular matrix in 3.10.

## **Example 3.1.1**

S is considered the same as in Example 3.1 and by  $(S_f)^{-1} = N \triangle N^T$ ,

then for Wilson's matrix

$$\triangle = \text{diag} (1/5, 1/12, 1/252)), \quad N = M^{-1}, \quad N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{2}{5} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{1}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$(S_f)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{37}{61} & -\frac{12}{61} & -\frac{1}{61} \\ -\frac{12}{61} & \frac{49}{122} & -\frac{1}{122} \\ -\frac{1}{61} & -\frac{1}{122} & \frac{5}{122} \end{bmatrix}$$

And for Reciprocal Wilson's matrix,

$$\triangle = \text{diag} (2, -\frac{3}{5}, -\frac{25}{34}) )$$
,  $N = M^{-1}$ ,  $N = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -\frac{4}{5} \\ 0 & 1 & -\frac{3}{5} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,

$$(S_f)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{74}{85} & \frac{72}{85} & \frac{10}{17} \\ \frac{72}{85} & -\frac{147}{170} & \frac{15}{34} \\ \frac{10}{17} & \frac{15}{34} & -\frac{25}{34} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Corollary 3.3** Let  $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  be an a-set, where  $f(a) \neq 0$  and  $f(x_k) \neq f(a)$  for all  $k = 2, \ldots, n$ . If  $a \in S$  (i.e.  $a = x_1$ ), then  $(S)_f$  is invertible and

$$\left(\left(S_{f}\right)^{-1}\right)_{ij} = \begin{cases}
\frac{1}{f(a)} + \sum_{k=2}^{n} \frac{1}{f(x_{k}) - f(a)} & \text{if } i = j = 1, \\
\frac{1}{f(x_{k}) - f(a)} & \text{if } 1 < i = j, \\
\frac{1}{f(a) - f(x_{k})} & \text{if } 1 = i < j = k \text{ or } 1 = j < i = k \\
0 & \text{otherwise}
\end{cases} \tag{3.11}$$

If  $a \notin S$  and further  $f(x_1) \neq f(a)$  and  $\frac{1}{f(a)} \neq \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{f(x_k) - f(a)}$ , then  $(S)_f$  is invertible and

$$\left(\left(S_{f}\right)^{-1}\right)_{ij} = \begin{cases}
\frac{1}{f(x_{k}) - f(a)} - \frac{1}{[f(x_{k}) - f(a)]^{2}} \left(\frac{1}{f(a)} + \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{f(x_{k}) - f(a)}\right)^{-1} & \text{if } i = j, \\
\frac{1}{[f(x_{k}) - f(a)][f(x_{k}) - f(a)]} \left(\frac{1}{f(a)} + \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{f(x_{k}) - f(a)}\right)^{-1} & \text{if } i \neq j.
\end{cases}$$
(3.12)

#### **CONCLUSION:**

In this paper we prove by examples that the Wilson's Meet and Reciprocal Wilson's Meet matrices on A sets satisfies structure theorem and the determinant and inverse of these matrices can be calculated through results based on A sets.

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