

THE GCD-RECIPROCAL LCM MATRICES ON GCD-CLOSED SETS

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Abstract- We have given a structure theorem for the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix and then we have calculated the value of the determinant of the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix. We have obtained formula for the determinant and the inverse of the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix defined on gcd-closed sets.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be an ordered set of distinct positive integers. The matrix (S) whose ij -entry is the greatest common divisor (x_i, x_j) of x_i and x_j is called the GCD matrix on S [4]. The LCM matrix $[S]$ on S is defined analogously [5].

In 1876, H.J.S. Smith [1] shown that the determinant of the GCD matrix defined on $S = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ (Smith's determinant) is equal to $\phi(1)\phi(2)\dots\phi(n)$, where ϕ is Euler's totient function. He also noted that this result remains valid if S is replaced by a factor closed (FC) set (i.e., all positive factors of any member of S belong to S). The S is said to be gcd-closed if $(x_i, x_j) \in S$ whenever $x_i, x_j \in S$ [3].

In this paper, we define an $n \times n$ matrix $A = [a_{ij}]$, where $a_{ij} = \frac{(x_i, x_j)}{[x_i, x_j]}$ and call it to be the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix on $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$. In the second section, we give a structure theorem for the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix defined on S and then we have calculated the value of the determinant of the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix. If S gcd-closed, we have calculated the determinant and the inverse of the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix defined on S .

2. THE STRUCTURE OF GCD-RECIPROCAL LCM MATRIX

Definition 1. Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be an ordered set of distinct positive integers. The $n \times n$ matrix $[A] = (a_{ij})$ having $a_{ij} = \frac{(x_i, x_j)}{[x_i, x_j]}$ as its ij -entry is called GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix on S where (x_i, x_j) is the greatest common divisor of x_i and x_j , $[x_i, x_j]$ is the least common multiple of x_i and x_j .

Clearly GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrices are symmetric. Furthermore rearrangements of the elements of S yield similar matrices. Hence we may always assume $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$.

We let $B(x_i)$ denote the sum,

$$B(x_i) = \sum_{\substack{d|x_i \\ d \nmid x_j \\ i < j}} J_2(d)$$

for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$; where $J_2(n)$ is Jordan's totient function as

$$J_2(n) = \sum_{d|n} \mu(d) \left(\frac{n}{d} \right)^2.$$

We note that $B(x_i) = J_2(x_i)$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ if and only if S is factor closed.

Now we prove a structure theorem for GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrices defined on $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$.

Theorem 1. Let $\bar{S} = \{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_m\}$ be the minimal gcd-closed ordered set containing $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ where $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$ and $d_1 < d_2 < \dots < d_m$. Define the $n \times m$ matrix $E = (e_{ij})$ by

$$e_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x_i}, & d_j | x_i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and the $m \times m$ diagonal matrix by

$$\Lambda = \text{diag}(B(d_1), B(d_2), \dots, B(d_m)).$$

Then, $[A] = E\Lambda E^T$.

Proof. The ij -entry of $E\Lambda E^T$ is equal to

$$(E\Lambda E^T)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^m B(d_k) e_{ik} e_{jk} = \sum_{\substack{d_k | x_i \\ d_k | x_j}} B(d_k) \frac{1}{x_i} \frac{1}{x_j} = \frac{1}{x_i x_j} \sum_{d_k | (x_i, x_j)} B(d_k) = \frac{1}{x_i x_j} \sum_{d | (x_i, x_j)} J_2(d),$$

is well known $\sum_{d|n} J_2(d) = n^2$. Then,

$$(E\Lambda E^T)_{ij} = \frac{1}{x_i x_j} (x_i, x_j)^2 = \frac{(x_i, x_j)}{[x_i, x_j]} = a_{ij}.$$

Theorem 2. Let $\bar{S} = \{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_m\}$ be the minimal gcd-closed ordered set containing $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ where $d_1 < d_2 < \dots < d_m$ and $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$. Then

$$\det[A] = \sum_{1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_n \leq m} (\det E_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)})^2 B(x_{k_1}) B(x_{k_2}) \dots B(x_{k_n})$$

where $E_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)}$ is the submatrix of E consisting of the k_1 th, k_2 th, ..., k_n th columns of E .

Proof. Theorem 1 says that $[A] = (E\Lambda^{1/2})(E\Lambda^{1/2})^T$. We can write $C = E\Lambda^{1/2}$. Then $[A] = CC^T$. So by the Cauchy-Binet formula, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \det[A] &= \det(CC^T) = \sum_{1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_n \leq m} \det C_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)} \det C_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)}^T \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_n \leq m} (\det C_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)})^2 \end{aligned}$$

where $C_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)}$ is the submatrix of C consisting of the k_1 th, k_2 th, ..., k_n th columns of C .

$$\det C_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)} = \sqrt{B(x_{k_1})B(x_{k_2}) \dots B(x_{k_n})} \det E_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)}$$

and hence,

$$\det[A] = \sum_{1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_n \leq m} (\det E_{(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n)})^2 B(x_{k_1})B(x_{k_2}) \dots B(x_{k_n}).$$

Corollary 1. Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be a finite ordered set of distinct positive integers. If S is gcd-closed, then the determinant of the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix $[A]$ defined on S is

$$\det[A] = \prod_{k=1}^n \frac{B(x_k)}{x_k^2}.$$

Theorem 3. Let $S = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ be a finite ordered set of distinct positive integers. If S is gcd-closed set, then the inverse of the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix $[A]$ defined on S is the matrix $N = (n_{ij})$, where

$$n_{ij} = \sum_{\substack{x_i | x_k \\ x_j | x_k}} \frac{p_{ik} p_{jk}}{B(x_k)}.$$

Proof. We will calculate the inverse of the GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix defined on a gcd-closed set. Let $E = (e_{ij})$ and $P = (p_{ij})$ be defined as follows:

$$e_{ij} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x_i}, & x_j | x_i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$p_{ij} = x_i \sum_{\substack{dx_i | x_j \\ dx_i | x_i \\ x_i < x_j}} \mu(d) \quad \text{or} \quad p_{ij} = x_i \sum_{\substack{d | \frac{x_j}{x_i} \\ d | \frac{x_i}{x_i} \\ x_i < x_j}} \mu(d)$$

(If $\frac{x_j}{x_i}$ is not an integer then no d divides $\frac{x_j}{x_i}$.)

Calculating the ij -entry of the product EP^T gives

$$(EP^T)_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n e_{ik} p_{jk} = \sum_{x_k | x_i} \frac{1}{x_i} x_j \sum_{\substack{dx_j | x_k \\ dx_j | x_i \\ x_i < x_k}} \mu(d) = \frac{x_j}{x_i} \sum_{dx_j | x_i} \mu(d) = \frac{x_j}{x_i} \sum_{d | \frac{x_i}{x_j}} \mu(d) = \begin{cases} 1, & x_i = x_j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Hence $E^{-1} = P^T$.

If $\Lambda = \text{diag}(B(x_1), B(x_2), \dots, B(x_n))$ then by Theorem 1, we write $[A] = E\Lambda E^T$.

Therefore, $[A]^{-1} = (E^T)^{-1} \Lambda^{-1} E^{-1} = (E^{-1})^T \Lambda^{-1} E^{-1} = P \Lambda^{-1} P^T = (n_{ij})$ where

$$n_{ij} = \sum_{\substack{x_i | x_k \\ x_j | x_k}} \frac{P_{ik} P_{jk}}{B(x_k)}.$$

3. NUMERICAL RESULTS

Example 1. Let $S = \{4, 6, 8\}$. The GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix $[A]$ defined on S is

$$[A] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{6} & 1 & \frac{1}{12} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{12} & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

S is not gcd-closed set and $\bar{S} = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$ is the minimal gcd-closed set containing S . The 3×4 matrix $E = (e_{ij})$ defined in Theorem 1 is

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & 0 & \frac{1}{6} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{8} & 0 & \frac{1}{8} \end{bmatrix}.$$

From Theorem 2,

$$\begin{aligned} \det[A] &= \sum_{1 \leq k_1 < k_2 < k_3 \leq 4} (\det E_{(k_1, k_2, k_3)})^2 B(x_{k_1}) B(x_{k_2}) B(x_{k_3}). \\ \det[A] &= \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & 0 & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{8} & 0 \end{vmatrix}^2 B(2)B(4)B(6) + \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{8} & \frac{1}{8} \end{vmatrix}^2 B(2)B(4)B(8) + \\ &+ \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{6} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{8} & 0 & \frac{1}{8} \end{vmatrix}^2 B(2)B(6)B(8) + \begin{vmatrix} \frac{1}{4} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{6} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{8} & 0 & \frac{1}{8} \end{vmatrix}^2 B(4)B(6)B(8) \end{aligned}$$

where

$$B(2) = \sum_{d|2} J_2(d) = J_2(1) + J_2(2) = 4$$

$$B(4) = \sum_{\substack{d|4 \\ d \nmid 2}} J_2(d) = J_2(4) = 12$$

$$B(6) = \sum_{\substack{d|6 \\ d \nmid 2,4}} J_2(d) = J_2(3) + J_2(6) = 32 \quad B(8) = \sum_{\substack{d|8 \\ d \nmid 2,4,6}} J_2(d) = 48.$$

Thus

$$\det[A] = \frac{35}{48}.$$

Example 2. Let $S = \{5, 15, 30\}$. The GCD-Reciprocal LCM matrix $[A]$ defined on S is

$$[A] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \frac{1}{3} & \frac{1}{6} \\ \frac{1}{3} & 1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{6} & \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

S is gcd-closed set where

$$B(5) = \sum_{d|5} J_2(d) = J_2(1) + J_2(5) = 25, \quad B(15) = \sum_{\substack{d|15 \\ d \nmid 5}} J_2(d) = J_2(3) + J_2(15) = 200$$

$$B(30) = \sum_{\substack{d|30 \\ d \nmid 5, 15}} J_2(d) = J_2(2) + J_2(6) + J_2(10) + J_2(30) = 675.$$

Then

$$\det[A] = \prod_{k=1}^3 \frac{B(x_k)}{x_k^2} = \frac{B(5).B(15).B(30)}{5^2 15^2 30^2} = \frac{2}{3}.$$

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S is gcd-closed set but not factor-closed. From Theorem 3, we obtain $[A]^{-1} = (n_{ij})$ where

$$p_{11} = 5, p_{12} = -5, p_{13} = 0, p_{21} = 0, p_{22} = 15, p_{23} = -15, p_{31} = 0, p_{32} = 0, p_{33} = 30$$

and

$$n_{11} = \frac{p_{11}^2}{B(5)} + \frac{p_{12}^2}{B(15)} + \frac{p_{13}^2}{B(30)} = \frac{9}{8}, \quad n_{12} = \frac{p_{12}p_{22}}{B(15)} + \frac{p_{13}p_{23}}{B(30)} = \frac{-3}{8} = n_{21},$$

$$n_{13} = \frac{p_{13}p_{33}}{B(30)} = 0 = n_{31}, \quad n_{22} = \frac{p_{22}^2}{B(15)} + \frac{p_{23}^2}{B(30)} = \frac{35}{24}, \quad n_{23} = \frac{p_{23}p_{33}}{B(30)} = \frac{-2}{3} = n_{32},$$

$$n_{33} = \frac{p_{33}^2}{B(30)} = \frac{4}{3}.$$

Thus

$$N = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{9}{8} & \frac{-3}{8} & 0 \\ \frac{-3}{8} & \frac{35}{24} & \frac{-2}{3} \\ 0 & \frac{-2}{3} & \frac{4}{3} \end{bmatrix}.$$

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