

## A formula for the development of the permanent of a matrix

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### Abstract

In this paper a formula for the development of the permanent of a matrix and several identities and inequalities deduced from it are proposed. We mention for example the identity of Hurwitz and Muirhead, the mean's inequality, the inequality of Chebyshev, the identity of Binet-Cauchy, the identity of Lagrange and the identity of Tiberiu Popoviciu.

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### 1 Definitions and notations

Let  $S$  be a finite set and  $k$  be a natural number. We denote by  $|S|$  the number of elements from  $S$ , by  $S^{(k)}$  the set of  $k$ -subsets of  $S$  and by  $\vec{S}^{(k)}$  the set of words  $i_1 \dots i_k$  with  $k$  different letters from  $S$ . For a natural number  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$  we denote by  $[n] = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  and by  $n^{\underline{k}} = n(n-1)(n-2)\dots(n-k+1)$  the falling factorial. We consider by convention  $[0] = \phi$  and  $n^{\underline{0}} = 1$ . Obviously we have  $|\vec{S}^{(k)}| = |S|^{\underline{k}}$ .

For  $n$  indeterminates  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  and  $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  we denote by  $s_k(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n)$  the Viète sum

$$s_k(a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n) = \sum_{\{i_1, \dots, i_k\} \in [n]^{\underline{k}}} a_{i_1} \dots a_{i_k}. \quad (1)$$

For a finite set  $V \neq \phi$  of *vertices*, an  $n$ -uniform hypergraph on  $V$  is a pair  $G = (V, E)$  where  $E \in V^{(n)}$  is a set of  $n$ -parts of  $V$  called *edges*. For a vertex  $k \in V$  the number of edges containing  $k$  is called *the degree* in  $G$  of  $k$  and is denoted by  $d_G(k)$ .

Let  $A = (a_{i,j})_{i \in P, j \in N}$  be a real matrix where  $P = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$ ,  $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  and  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 1}$ ,  $p \leq n$ . For  $\phi \neq L \subseteq P$ ,  $\phi \neq K \subseteq N$  we denote by  $A_{L,K}$  the submatrix induced by the set  $L$  of rows of and the set  $K$  of columns of  $A$ ,  $A_{L,K} = (a_{i,j})_{i \in L, j \in K}$ .

The *permanent* of the matrix  $A$ , denoted by  $\text{per}(A)$ , is the number equal to the sum of all products of  $p$  elements from  $A$ , any two of them are not lying on the same row or on the same column:

$$\text{per}(A) = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_p \in \vec{N}^{(p)}} a_{1, i_1} \cdots a_{p, i_p} \quad (2)$$

For  $\ell \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$  and  $L$  a fixed  $\ell$ -part of  $P$ ,  $L \in P^{(\ell)}$ , the analogous of Laplace's development for the permanent holds:

$$\text{per}(A) = \sum_{K \in N^{(\ell)}} \text{per}(A_{L,K}) \text{per}(A_{\overline{L}, \overline{K}}), \quad (3)$$

where we denoted by  $\overline{L} = P - L$  and  $\overline{K} = N - K$  and we considered by definition  $\text{per}(A_{\phi, K}) = 1$ . We say that the formula (3) is *the development of the permanent of the matrix  $A$  on the set  $L$  of rows*.

## 2 The main result

The following lemma immediately follows by straightforward computation:

**Lemma 2.1.** *For any square  $2 \times 2$  matrix,  $Z = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 a_1 & x_2 a_2 \\ y_1 b_1 & y_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix}$  where  $x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, a_1, a_2, b_1, b_2$  are real nonnull numbers, we have:*

$$\text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 a_1 & x_2 a_2 \\ y_1 b_1 & y_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix} = \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 a_1 b_1 & y_2 a_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix} - (a_1 - a_2) \left( \frac{y_1}{x_1} b_1 - \frac{y_2}{x_2} b_2 \right), \quad (4)$$

$$\text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 a_1 & x_2 a_2 \\ y_1 b_1 & y_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix} = \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 b_1 & x_2 b_2 \\ y_1 a_1 & y_2 a_2 \end{pmatrix} + \det \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 \\ y_1 & y_2 \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 \\ b_1 & b_2 \end{pmatrix}. \quad \square \quad (5)$$

• We remark that the identities (4) and (5) are equivalent. For example the identity (5) results from the identity (4) by the transformation

$$\text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 a_1 & x_2 a_2 \\ y_1 b_1 & y_2 b_2 \end{pmatrix} = \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 b_1 \cdot \frac{a_1}{b_1} & x_2 b_2 \cdot \frac{a_2}{b_2} \\ y_1 a_1 \cdot \frac{b_1}{a_1} & y_2 a_2 \cdot \frac{b_2}{a_2} \end{pmatrix}$$

substituting in (4)  $x_i$  by  $x_i b_i$ ,  $y_i$  by  $y_i a_i$ ,  $a_i$  by  $\frac{a_i}{b_i}$  and  $b_i$  by  $\frac{b_i}{a_i}$  for  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** *We consider two natural numbers  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 2}$ ,  $p \leq n$  and the sets  $P = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$  and  $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ .*

*Let  $A = (a_{i,j})_{i \in P, j \in N}$  be a real matrix,  $X = (x_{i,j})_{i \in P, j \in N}$  a real matrix consisting of nonnull numbers and the matrix  $Z = (Z_{i,j})_{i \in P, j \in N}$  defined by  $Z_{i,j} = x_{i,j}a_{i,j}$  for any  $i \in P$  and  $j \in N$ .*

*For  $L \subseteq P$  we denote by  $Z^L$  the matrix obtained from the matrix  $Z$  by the substitution of the rows with the indices from  $L$  with the corresponding rows from the matrix  $X$  :*

$$Z_{i,j} = \begin{cases} x_{i,j} & \text{for } i \in L \text{ and } j \in N \\ x_{i,j}a_{i,j} & \text{for } i \in \bar{L} \text{ and } j \in N. \end{cases}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}(Z) &= \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,1} & x_{1,2} & \cdots & x_{1,n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{p-1,1} & x_{p-1,2} & \cdots & x_{p-1,n} \\ x_{p,1}a_{1,1} \cdots a_{p,1} & x_{p,2}a_{1,2} \cdots a_{p,2} & \cdots & x_{p,n}a_{1,n} \cdots a_{p,n} \end{pmatrix} - \\ &\quad - \sum_{t=2}^p \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_{1,i} \cdots a_{t-1,i} - a_{1,j} \cdots a_{t-1,j}) \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

$$\left( \frac{x_{t,i}}{x_{t-1,i}} a_{t,i} - \frac{x_{t,j}}{x_{t-1,j}} a_{t,j} \right) x_{t-1,i} x_{t-1,j} \text{per} \left( Z_{\overline{\{t-1,t\}, \{i,j\}}}^{[t-2]} \right).$$

**Proof:** We apply the identity (4) for the development of the permanent of the matrix  $Z$  on the rows  $\{k, t\}$  and we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per}(Z) &= \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,1}a_{1,1} & \cdots & x_{1,n}a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{p,1}a_{p,1} & \cdots & x_{p,n}a_{p,n} \end{pmatrix} = \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_{k,i}a_{k,i} & x_{k,j}a_{k,j} \\ x_{t,i}a_{t,i} & x_{t,j}a_{t,j} \end{pmatrix} \text{per} \left( Z_{\overline{\{k,t\}, \{i,j\}}} \right) = \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_{k,i} & x_{k,j} \\ x_{t,i}a_{k,i}a_{t,i} & x_{t,j}a_{k,j}a_{t,j} \end{pmatrix} \text{per} \left( Z_{\overline{\{k,t\}, \{i,j\}}} \right) - \\ &\quad - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_{k,i} - a_{k,j}) \left( \frac{x_{t,i}}{x_{k,i}} a_{t,i} - \frac{x_{t,j}}{x_{k,j}} a_{t,j} \right) x_{k,i} x_{k,j} \text{per} \left( Z_{\overline{\{k,t\}, \{i,j\}}} \right) = \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_{1,1}a_{1,1} & \cdots & x_{1,n}a_{1,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{k,1} & \cdots & x_{k,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{t,1}a_{k,1}a_{t,1} & \cdots & x_{t,n}a_{k,n}x_{t,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{p,1}a_{p,1} & \cdots & x_{p,n}a_{p,n} \end{pmatrix} - \\
 &- \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_{k,i} - a_{k,j}) \left( \frac{x_{t,i}}{x_{k,i}} a_{t,i} - \frac{x_{t,j}}{x_{k,j}} a_{t,j} \right) x_{k,i} x_{k,j} \text{per} \left( Z_{\overline{\{k,t\}, \{i,j\}}} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, we successively apply the formula above for the development of the permanent of the matrix  $Z$  on the rows  $\{1, 2\}, \{2, 3\}, \{3, 4\}, \dots, \{p - 2, p - 1\}$  and  $\{p - 1, p\}$  and we obtain the formula from the statement.  $\square$

### 3 Applications

3.1. The case  $x_{1,j} = x_{2,j} = x_{3,j} = \dots = x_{p,j} = x_j$  for  $j \in N$ .

**Theorem 3.1.1.** *Let  $A = (a_{i,j})_{i \in P, j \in N}$  be a real positive matrix where  $P = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$ ,  $N = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 2}$ ,  $p \leq n$  and for each  $i \in P$*

$$a_{i,1} \leq a_{i,2} \leq a_{i,3} \leq \dots \leq a_{i,n}.$$

*For a real positive numbers  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  we denote by  $Z = (z_{i,j})_{i \in P, j \in N}$  the matrix defined by  $z_{i,j} = x_j a_{i,j}$  for  $i \in P$  and  $j \in N$ .*

*We have:*

$$\text{per}(Z) \leq (p - 1)! \sum_{k=1}^n x_k a_{1,k} \cdots a_{p,k} s_{p-1}(x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, \widehat{x}_k, \dots, x_n), \quad (7)$$

where by convention  $\widehat{x}_k = 0$ .

**Proof:** We substitute in (6)  $x_{i,j} = x_j$  for  $(i, j) \in P \times N$ . Each sum from the right hand side of (6) is a nonnegative number. We develop the first permanent from the right hadn side of (6) on the row  $p$  and we obtain:

$$\text{per}(Z) \leq \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & & x & & x_p \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_1 & & x_2 & & x_p \\ x_1 a_{1,1} \cdots a_{p,1} & x_2 a_{1,2} \cdots a_{p,2} \cdots & x_p a_{1,p} \cdots a_{p,n} \end{pmatrix} =$$



**Corollary 3.2.2.** *Let  $A = (a_{i,j})_{i \in P, j \in N}$  be a real positive matrix where  $P = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$ ,  $N = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  and  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 2}, p \leq n$  and for each  $i \in P$*

$$a_{i,1} \leq a_{i,2} \leq a_{i,3} \leq \dots \leq a_{i,n}.$$

We have

$$\text{per}(A) \leq (n-1)^{p-1} \sum_{k \in N} a_{1,k} \cdots a_{p,k}. \tag{10}$$

**Proof:** The inequality follows from theorem 3.2.1. because, in the equality (8) each sum from the right hand side of (8) is a nonnegative number.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2.3.** *Let  $A = (a_{i,j})_{i \in P, j \in N}$  be a real positive matrix, where  $P = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$ ,  $V = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, v\}$  and  $p, v \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 2}, p \leq v$  and for each  $i \in P$*

$$a_{i,1} \leq a_{i,2} \leq a_{i,3} \leq \dots \leq a_{i,v}.$$

For any  $n$ -uniform hypergraph  $G = (V, E)$  where  $E \subseteq V^{(n)}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 2}, p \leq n \leq v$ , we have

$$\sum_{N \in E} \text{per}(A_{P,N}) \leq (n-1)^{p-1} \sum_{k \in V} d_G(k) a_{1,k} \cdots a_{p,k}. \tag{11}$$

3.3. The case  $x_{i,j} = 1$  for  $(i, j) \in P \times N$  and  $a_{1,j} = a_{2,j} = a_{3,j} = \dots = a_{p,j} = a_j$  for  $j \in N$ .

**Theorem 3.3.1.** *For any two natural numbers  $p, n \in \mathbb{N}_{\geq 2}, p \leq n$  and  $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$  we have the following identity:*

$$\begin{aligned} p!s_p(a_1, \dots, a_n) &= (n-1)^{p-1}(a_1^p + \dots + a_n^p) - \\ &\quad - (n-2)^{p-2}0! \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_i^{p-1} - a_j^{p-1})(a_i - a_j) \\ &\quad - (n-3)^{p-3}1! \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_i^{p-2} - a_j^{p-2})(a_i - a_j)s_1(a_1, \dots, \widehat{a}_i, \dots, \widehat{a}_j, \dots, a_n) \\ &\quad - (n-4)^{p-4}2! \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_i^{p-3} - a_j^{p-3})(a_i - a_j)s_2(a_1, \dots, \widehat{a}_i, \dots, \widehat{a}_j, \dots, a_n) \\ &\quad \dots \dots \dots \tag{12} \\ &\quad - (n-k-2)^{p-k-2}k! \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_i^{p-k-1} - a_j^{p-k-1})(a_i - a_j)s_k(a_1, \dots, \widehat{a}_i, \dots, \widehat{a}_j, \dots, a_n) \\ &\quad \dots \dots \dots \\ &\quad - (n-p)^0(p-2)! \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_i^1 - a_j^1)(a_i - a_j)s_{p-2}(a_1, \dots, \widehat{a}_i, \dots, \widehat{a}_j, \dots, a_n) \end{aligned}$$



$$\text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_n \\ x_1 a_1 b_1 & x_2 a_2 b_2 & \cdots & x_n a_n b_n \end{pmatrix} - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_i - a_j)(b_i - b_j) x_i x_j \quad (15)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i a_i \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i b_i \right) = \\ & = \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i a_i b_i \right) - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} (a_i - a_j)(b_i - b_j) x_i x_j. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

• For  $a_1 \leq \dots \leq a_n, b_1 \leq \dots \leq b_n$  and  $x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_n \in \mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}$  we obtain from (16) the weighted Chebyshev inequality [1, p.175]:

$$\left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i a_i \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i b_i \right) \leq \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i a_i b_i \right). \quad (17)$$

• For  $x_1 = \dots = x_n = 1$  we obtain from (17) the Chebyshev inequality

$$\left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} a_i \right) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} b_i \right) \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i a_i b_i. \quad (18)$$

• We can obtain the inequality (17) from the Theorem 3.1.1. by putting  $p = 2$  and replacing  $a_{1,k}$  by  $a_k$  and  $b_{1,k}$  by  $b_k$  for  $k \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 a_1 & x_2 a_2 & x_3 a_3 & \cdots & x_n a_n \\ x_1 b_1 & x_2 b_2 & x_3 b_3 & \cdots & x_n b_n \end{pmatrix} \leq \\ & \leq \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & \cdots & x_n \\ x_1 a_1 b_1 & x_2 a_2 b_2 & x_3 a_3 b_3 & \cdots & x_n a_n b_n \end{pmatrix} = \\ & = (2-1)! \sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} x_k a_k b_k s_1(x_1, \dots, \hat{x}_k, \dots, x_n) \end{aligned}$$

and summing up  $\sum_{1 \leq k \leq n} x_k^2 a_k b_k$  in both members.

• We can also obtain the inequality (18) from the Corollary 3.2.3.

Indeed, we consider the case  $n = p = 2$ . Then  $G$  is the complete graph  $K_n(E = V^{(2)})$  and the degree of every vertex  $k \in V$  is  $v - 1$ .

The inequality (11) becomes:

$$\sum_{\{i,j\} \in V^{(2)}} \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} a_{1,i} & a_{1,j} \\ a_{2,i} & a_{2,j} \end{pmatrix} \leq (2-1)! \sum_{k \in V} (v-1) a_{1,k} b_{1,k}.$$

We sum up  $\sum_{k \in V} a_{1,k} b_{1,k}$  in both members and we deduce (18) with  $a_k$  replaced by  $a_{1,k}$  and  $a_{2,k}$  by  $b_k$  and  $n$  by  $v$ .

From lemma 2.1, (5), we can deduce the following

**Proposition 3.4.2.** For  $x_1, \dots, x_n, a_1, \dots, a_n, b_1, \dots, b_n \in \mathbb{R}$  we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 a_1 & x_2 a_2 & \cdots & x_n a_n \\ y_1 b_1 & y_2 b_2 & \cdots & y_n b_n \end{pmatrix} &= \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} x_1 b_1 & x_2 b_2 & \cdots & x_n b_n \\ y_1 a_1 & y_2 a_2 & \cdots & y_n a_n \end{pmatrix} + \\ &+ \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_i & x_j \\ y_i & y_j \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_i & a_j \\ b_i & b_j \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (19)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i a_i \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} y_i b_i \right) &= \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} x_i b_i \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} y_i a_i \right) + \\ &+ \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_i & x_j \\ y_i & y_j \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_i & a_j \\ b_i & b_j \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (20)$$

(20) is the identity of Binet-Cauchy [1, p.174].

For  $x_i = a_i$  and  $y_i = b_i$  we obtain from (20) the Lagrange's identity:

$$\sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} a_i^2 \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} b_i^2 = \left( \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} a_i b_i \right)^2 + \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} \det^2 \begin{pmatrix} a_i & a_j \\ b_i & b_j \end{pmatrix}. \quad (21)$$

From Lemma 2.1., (5), we also derive the following identity, (23), of Tiberiu Popoviciu ([1], p.179 and [2], p.38).

**Proposition 3.4.3.** For  $p_{i,j}, x_i, a_i, b_i \in \mathbb{R}$  where  $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j} x_i a_j \\ p_{i,j} y_i b_j b_k \end{pmatrix}_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n} &= \text{per} \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j} x_i b_j \\ p_{i,j} y_i a_j \end{pmatrix}_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n} + \\ &\sum_{1 \leq i < h \leq n, 1 \leq j < k \leq n} \det \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j} & p_{i,k} \\ p_{h,j} & p_{h,k} \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_i & x_h \\ y_i & y_h \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_k & a_j \\ b_k & b_j \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} p_{i,j} x_i a_j \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} p_{i,j} y_i b_j \right) &= \left( \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} p_{i,j} x_i b_j \right) \left( \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} p_{i,j} y_i a_j \right) + \\ &+ \sum_{1 \leq i < h \leq n, 1 \leq j < k \leq n} \det \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j} & p_{i,k} \\ p_{h,j} & p_{h,k} \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_i & x_h \\ y_i & y_h \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_k & a_j \\ b_k & b_j \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

**Proof:** We get applying (5):

$$\begin{aligned}
& \operatorname{per} \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j}x_i a_j \\ p_{i,j}y_i b_j \end{pmatrix}_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n} = \operatorname{per} \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j}x_i b_j \\ p_{i,j}y_i a_j \end{pmatrix}_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n} + \\
& + \sum_{1 \leq i < h \leq n, 1 \leq j < k \leq n} \left[ \det \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j}x_i & p_{h,k}x_h \\ p_{i,j}y_i & p_{h,k}y_h \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_j & a_k \\ b_j & b_k \end{pmatrix} + \right. \\
& + \det \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,k}x_i & p_{h,j}x_k \\ p_{i,k}y_i & p_{h,j}y_k \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_k & a_j \\ b_k & b_j \end{pmatrix} \left. \right] = \operatorname{per} \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j}x_i b_j \\ p_{i,j}y_i a_j \end{pmatrix}_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n} \\
& + \sum_{1 \leq i < h \leq n, 1 \leq j < k \leq n} \left[ p_{i,j}p_{h,k} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_i & x_h \\ y_i & y_h \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_j & a_k \\ b_j & b_k \end{pmatrix} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + p_{i,k}p_{h,j} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_i & x_h \\ y_i & y_h \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_k & a_j \\ b_k & b_j \end{pmatrix} \right] = \\
& = \operatorname{per} \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j}x_i b_j \\ p_{i,j}y_i a_j \end{pmatrix}_{1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n} + \\
& + \sum_{1 \leq i < h \leq n, 1 \leq j < k \leq n} \det \begin{pmatrix} p_{i,j} & p_{i,k} \\ p_{h,j} & p_{h,k} \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} x_i & x_h \\ y_i & y_h \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_k & a_j \\ b_k & b_j \end{pmatrix}.
\end{aligned}$$

where we have used the equality

$$\det \begin{pmatrix} x_i & x_h \\ y_i & y_h \end{pmatrix} \det \begin{pmatrix} a_j & a_k \\ b_j & b_k \end{pmatrix} = 0 \text{ for } i = h \text{ or } j = k.$$

Finally, we obtain (23) from (22) by summing up  $\sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} p_{i,j}x_i y_i a_j b_j$  in both members.  $\square$

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