



## ITERATION OF $2 \times 2$ MATRICES IN $\mathbb{Z}_4$ AND THEIR FOUR COLOR EXPRESSIONS (I)<sup>†</sup>

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**ABSTRACT.** The aim of this article is to consider the sequences generated by repeatedly performing matrix multiplication operations, define the stable, amicable pair, sociable matrix sequences, and analyze the results obtained through iteration. Lastly, numbers are changed to colors to make them easier to understand.

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### 1. Introduction

We first clarify that the results of this article may not be new results, but we hope that they will be understood as the results of reinterpreting the meaning of the newly iteration matrix. The Cayley-Hamilton theorem [5, p.70-71] states that square matrix over a commutative ring satisfies its own characteristic equation. In particular, for  $2 \times 2$  matrix,  $A = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ , the characteristic polynomial [3, p.200] is given by  $p(X) := X^2 - (a+d)X + (ad-bc)$ , so the Cayley-Hamilton theorem states that

$$p(A) := A^2 - (a+d)A + (ad-bc)I = O. \quad (1)$$

Here,  $I = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $O = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A^n := \underbrace{A \cdots A}_{n \text{ times}}$ .

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Let  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  be the ring of residue classes modulo 4,

$$M_2(\mathbb{Z}_4) := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \mid a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{Z}_4 \right\}$$

and

$$M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4) := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \in M_2(\mathbb{Z}_4) \mid a, b, c, d \text{ are all distinct} \right\}.$$

We easily know that  $|M_2(\mathbb{Z}_4)| = 4^4$  and  $|M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)| = 24$ .

To understand  $M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$  accurately, let the elements of  $M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$  be

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & A_2 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, & A_3 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, & A_4 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \\ A_5 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, & A_6 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, & A_7 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, & A_8 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ A_9 &:= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{10} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{11} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{12} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \\ A_{13} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{14} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{15} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{16} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\ A_{17} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{18} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{19} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{20} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ A_{21} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{22} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{23} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, & A_{24} &:= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mathfrak{A}_i : A_i \rightarrow A_i^2 \rightarrow A_i^3 \rightarrow \dots$  be the matrix sequence of  $A_i$ .

A sociable(periodic) matrix sequence  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  is a sequence for which the same terms are repeated over and over:

$$\dots \rightarrow A_i^m \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow A_i^{m+l} \rightarrow A_i^m \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow A_i^{m+l} \rightarrow \dots.$$

if  $l = 0$ , that is,

$$\dots \rightarrow A_i^{m-1} \rightarrow A_i^m \rightarrow A_i^m \rightarrow A_i^m \rightarrow \dots,$$

then  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  is a stable matrix sequence, and if  $l = 1$ , that is,

$$\dots \rightarrow A_i^{m-1} \rightarrow A_i^m \rightarrow A_i^{m+1} \rightarrow A_i^m \rightarrow A_i^{m+1} \rightarrow A_i^m \rightarrow A_i^{m+1} \rightarrow \dots,$$

$\mathfrak{A}_i$  is an amicable pair matrix sequence for some  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Referring to Figure 1, it is easy to understand the notations of sociable, amicable pair and stable matrix sequence.

$$\text{Let } \sum_{j=0}^l \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^{m+j} = \begin{pmatrix} a' & b' \\ c' & d' \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } a' + b' + c' + d' \equiv k \pmod{4}.$$

For the three cases above, let's define  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_i) = l+1$ ,  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = m$ ,  $Tl(\mathfrak{A}_i) = m+l$  and  $Ty(\mathfrak{A}_i) = k$ . We call  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_i)$  the period length of  $\mathfrak{A}_i$ ,  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i)$  the order of  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  and  $Ty(\mathfrak{A}_i)$  the  $k$ -type  $\mathfrak{A}_i$ . If  $m$  cannot be found, that is, for sequence  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  other than the three cases above, we set  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = \infty$ .

The concepts of stable matrix sequence, amicable pair matrix sequence, sociable matrix sequence, and order of matrix sequence were introduced exactly as defined in the iterated divisor functions defined in [1], [2].

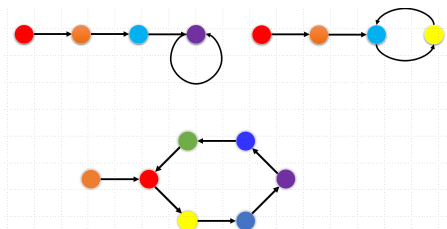


FIGURE 1. Stable, Amicable pair and Sociable matrix sequences

In this paper, the following results were obtained regarding stable, amicable, and sociable for the matrices of  $M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$ .

**Theorem 1.1.** *Let  $A_i \in M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$  and  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  be the matrix sequences of  $A_i$ .*

(a)  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  are stable matrix sequences with  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 2$  if and only if  $i \in \{3, 6, 9, 10, 13, 18, 22, 24\}$ .

(b)  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  are amicable matrix sequences with  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 1$  if and only if  $i \in \{2, 5, 20, 23\}$ .

(c)  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  are amicable matrix sequences with  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 2$  if and only if  $i \in \{1, 7, 8, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21\}$ .

(d)  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  are sociable matrix sequences with  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 1$  and  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 4$  if and only if  $i \in \{4, 12, 14, 16\}$ .

Actually, when  $k = 0$ , we think the sequence is a little easier to understand. So we define a period that extends beyond the existing period. In other words, when  $k = 0$ , the period is called a perfect period. And the perfect period length of sequence  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  is written as  $P(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ . For example, let's look at  $\mathfrak{A}_3$  below.

$$\mathfrak{A}_3 : A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_3^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft.$$

Then  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_3) = 1$  but  $P(\mathfrak{A}_3) = 2$ . If the sequence  $\mathfrak{A}_3$  is expressed as a sequence in terms of a perfect period, it is

$$\mathfrak{A}_3 : A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_1^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightleftharpoons A_1^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

**Theorem 1.2.** *Let  $A_i \in M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$  and  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  be the matrix sequences of  $A_i$ .*

(a) *There is no stable matrix with respect to the perfect period.*

(b)  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  are amicable matrix sequences with respect to the perfect period and  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 1$  if and only if  $i \in \{2, 5, 20, 23\}$ .

(c)  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  are amicable matrix sequences with respect to the perfect period and  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 2$  if and only if  $i \in \{1, 7, 8, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21\} \cup \{3, 6, 9, 10, 13, 18, 22, 24\}$ .

(d)  $\mathfrak{A}_i$  are sociable matrix sequences with respect to the perfect period and  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 1$  and  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 4$  if and only if  $i \in \{4, 12, 14, 16\}$ .

## 2. Proofs of Theorem 1.1 and 1.2

Unless otherwise specified, it is assumed in this section that  $A_i \in M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$  and  $p(A_i) = A_i^2 + \alpha A_i + \beta E$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $A_{i_1} := \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A_{i_2} := \begin{pmatrix} d & b \\ c & a \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A_{i_3} := \begin{pmatrix} a & c \\ b & d \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A_{i_4} := \begin{pmatrix} d & c \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $k, l \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  then  $\text{Ord}(\mathfrak{A}_{i_k}) = \text{Ord}(\mathfrak{A}_{i_l})$  and  $\text{Per}(\mathfrak{A}_{i_k}) = \text{Per}(\mathfrak{A}_{i_l})$ .*

*Proof.* It is well-known that

$$A_{i_k}^2 = (a+d)A_{i_k} - (ad-bc)I \quad (2)$$

with  $k \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ . Using (2), there exist  $b$  and  $c$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  that satisfy  $A_{i_k}^n = bA_{i_k} + cI$  and  $A_{i_1}^n = A_{i_2}^n = A_{i_3}^n = A_{i_4}^n$  with  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Therefore, we derive the proof of Lemma 2.1.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.2.** *If  $\beta \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$  then  $\text{Ord}(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 1$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$ . If  $\beta \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$  then

$$p(A_i) = A_i^2 - (a+d)A_i + (ad-bc)I \equiv A_i^2 - 2A_i + I \pmod{4} \quad (3)$$

or

$$p(A_i) \equiv A_i^2 - I \pmod{4}. \quad (4)$$

It is easily checked that  $A_i^4 = I$  by (3) and (4). This completes the proof of Lemma 2.2.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.3.** *If  $\beta \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  then  $\text{Ord}(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 2$ .*

*Proof.* Using  $ad-bc \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $a, b, c, d$  are distinct in  $\mathbb{Z}_4$ , we obtain  $a+d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . If  $\alpha \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$  then  $p(A_i) \equiv A_i^2 \pm A_i + 2I \pmod{4}$ . So, we get

$$A_i^4 = A_i^2 \pm 4A_i + 4I = A_i^2$$

and  $A_i^2 = A_i^{2k}$  with  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Since  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} a+2 & b \\ c & d+2 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} -a+2 & -b \\ -c & -d+2 \end{pmatrix}$ , we obtain  $A_i^2 \neq A_i$ .

If  $A_i^2 + A_i + 2I = O$  then  $A_i^3 = 3A_i + 2I = -A_i + 2I = A_i^2$ .

Hence,  $A_i \neq A_i^2 = A_i^{2+k}$  with  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

If  $A_i^2 - A_i + 2I = O$  then  $A_i^3 = 3A_i + 2I \neq A_i + 2I = A_i^2$ . Since  $A_i \neq -I$ , we derive that  $A_i \neq 3A_i + 2I = A_i^3$ . So, we get

$$A_i \rightarrow A_i^2 \rightarrow A_i^3 \rightarrow A_i^2 \rightarrow A_i^3 \rightarrow \dots$$

Lemma 2.3 is obtained.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.1**

The matrices that satisfy (4) are  $A_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A_5 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A_{20} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A_{23} = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  by Lemma 2.1. Thus we obtain (b), that is,  $A_i \rightarrow I \rightarrow A_i \rightarrow I \rightarrow \dots$  with  $i \in \{2, 5, 20, 23\}$ .

By (3), (d) is obtained. In other words, it is the same as the problem of finding matrices in  $M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$  that satisfy the conditions  $a + d \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $ad - bc \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ . Therefore, if  $ad$  is an even number (resp., odd number),  $bc$  is an odd number (resp., even number). The matrices that satisfy (3) are  $A_4 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A_{12} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $A_{14} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A_{16} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  by Lemma 2.1.

Consider  $A_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A_{15} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$ . The characteristic polynomial of these two matrices is  $p(X) \equiv X^2 - X + 2 \pmod{4}$ . By Lemma 2.3,  $A_i \neq A_i^3 \neq A_i^2 \neq A_i$  and  $A_i^2 \neq A_i^4$  with  $i \in \{1, 15\}$ .

By Lemma 2.1, we have that  $\mathfrak{A}_i (i \in \{1, 7, 8, 11, 15, 17, 19, 21\})$  are amicable matrix sequences with  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 2$ . Thus (c) is obtained.

Finally, we consider  $A_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $A_{13} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . The characteristic polynomial of these two matrices is  $p(X) \equiv X^2 + X + 2 \pmod{4}$ . By Lemma 2.3,  $A_i \neq A_i^2 = A_i^3$  with  $i \in \{3, 13\}$ . By Lemma 2.1, we obtain that  $\mathfrak{A}_i (i \in \{3, 6, 9, 10, 13, 18, 22, 24\})$  are stable matrix sequences with  $Ord(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 2$ . Thus (a) is obtained.  $\square$

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $A := \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{pmatrix} \in M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$  and  $A^n := \begin{pmatrix} a_n & b_n \\ c_n & d_n \end{pmatrix}$  with  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then  $TS(A^n) := a_n + b_n + c_n + d_n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

*Proof.* It is easily checked that

$$a_1 + b_1 + c_1 + d_1 = 0 + 1 + 2 + 3 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}.$$

If  $a_1 \equiv d_1 \pmod{2}$  then  $a_1 + d_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $a_1 d_1 - b_1 c_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ . On the other hand, if  $a_1 \not\equiv d_1 \pmod{2}$  then  $a_1 + d_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$  and  $a_1 d_1 - b_1 c_1 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . Thus we obtain

$$a_1 + d_1 \not\equiv a_1 d_1 - b_1 c_1 \pmod{2}. \quad (5)$$

Recall that

$$A^2 = (a + d)A - (ad - bc)E \quad (6)$$

by (1). It follows from (5) and (6) that

$$a_2 + b_2 + c_2 + d_2 \equiv 2(a_1 + d_1) + 2(a_1 d_1 - a_c c_1) \equiv 2 \pmod{4}.$$

Assume that  $a_i + b_i + c_i + d_i \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  with  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ . By (5), we obtain  $A^n = (a + d)A^{n-1} - (ad - bc)A^{n-2}$  and

$$a_n + b_n + c_n + d_n \equiv 2(a_1 + d_1) + 2(a_1 d_1 - a_c c_1) \equiv 2 \pmod{4}.$$

By induction method, we derive the proof of Lemma 2.4.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 1.2**

If  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_i)$  is an even number, it can be seen from Lemma 2.4 that  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_i) = P(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ . Therefore, in all cases (b),(c) and (d) of Theorem 1, we obtain that  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_i) = P(\mathfrak{A}_i)$ . In the case of stable sequences in Theorem 1.1 (a), the value of  $Per(\mathfrak{A}_i)$  becomes an odd number, so in order for  $P(\mathfrak{A}_i) = 0$ , it is necessary to regard them as an amicable pair even though they have the same value. In other words, it is considered an amicable pair sequence as shown below.

$$\mathfrak{A}_i : A_i = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & b_1 \\ c_1 & d_1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_i^2 = \begin{pmatrix} a_2 & b_2 \\ c_2 & d_2 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_i^3 = \begin{pmatrix} a_2 & b_2 \\ Cc_2 & d_2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

There is no stable matrix with respect to the perfect period. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.2.  $\square$

For easy understanding, below are the calculations of whether the 24 matrix sequences ( $\mathfrak{A}_1 \sim \mathfrak{A}_{24}$ ) are stable, amicable, and sociable matrix sequence.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{A}_1 : A_1 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_1^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_1^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_1) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_1) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_1) = 3. \\ \mathfrak{A}_2 : A_2 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_2^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_2) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_2) = 1, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_2) = 2. \\ \mathfrak{A}_3 : A_3 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_3^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_3) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_3) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_3) = 2. \\ \mathfrak{A}_4 : A_4 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_4^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_4^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_4^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &\overline{Per(\mathfrak{A}_4) = 4, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_4) = 1, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_4) = 4.} \\ \mathfrak{A}_5 : A_5 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_5^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_5) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_5) = 1, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_5) = 2. \\ \mathfrak{A}_6 : A_6 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_6^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_6) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_6) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_6) = 2. \\ \mathfrak{A}_7 : A_7 &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_7^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_7^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_7) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_7) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_7) = 3. \\ \mathfrak{A}_8 : A_8 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_8^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_8^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_8) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_8) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_8) = 3. \\ \mathfrak{A}_9 : A_9 &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_9^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_9) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_9) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_9) = 2. \\ \mathfrak{A}_{10} : A_{10} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{10}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft, \\ &Per(\mathfrak{A}_{10}) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{10}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{10}) = 2. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathfrak{A}_{11} : A_{11} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{11}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_{11}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{11}) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{11}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{11}) = 3. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{12} : A_{12} &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{12}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{12}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{12}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&\overleftarrow{Per(\mathfrak{A}_{12}) = 4, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{12}) = 1, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{12}) = 4.} \\
\mathfrak{A}_{13} : A_{13} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{13}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{13}) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{13}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{13}) = 2. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{14} : A_{14} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{14}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{14}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{14}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&\overleftarrow{Per(\mathfrak{A}_{14}) = 4, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{14}) = 1, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{14}) = 4.} \\
\mathfrak{A}_{15} : A_{15} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{15}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_{15}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{15}) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{15}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{15}) = 3. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{16} : A_{16} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{16}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{16}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{16}^4 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&\overleftarrow{Per(\mathfrak{A}_{16}) = 4, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{16}) = 1, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{16}) = 4.} \\
\mathfrak{A}_{17} : A_{17} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{17}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_{17}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 3 & 3 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{17}) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{17}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{17}) = 3. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{18} : A_{18} &= \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{18}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{18}) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{18}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{18}) = 2. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{19} : A_{19} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{19}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_{19}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{19}) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{19}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{19}) = 3. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{20} : A_{20} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_{20}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{20}) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{20}) = 1, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{20}) = 2. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{21} : A_{21} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{21}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_{21}^3 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{21}) = 2, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{21}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{21}) = 3. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{22} : A_{22} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{22}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{22}) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{22}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{22}) = 2. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{23} : A_{23} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Leftrightarrow A_{23}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{23}) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{23}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{23}) = 2. \\
\mathfrak{A}_{24} : A_{24} &= \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \rightarrow A_{24}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 \\ 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \circlearrowleft, \\
&Per(\mathfrak{A}_{24}) = 1, Ord(\mathfrak{A}_{24}) = 2, Tl(\mathfrak{A}_{24}) = 2.
\end{aligned}$$

### 3. Maxtrix sequences expressed in 4 colors

First, let's change 0, 1, 2, and 3 to to four colors as shown in Figure 2.



FIGURE 2. Four colors: 0, 1, 2, 3

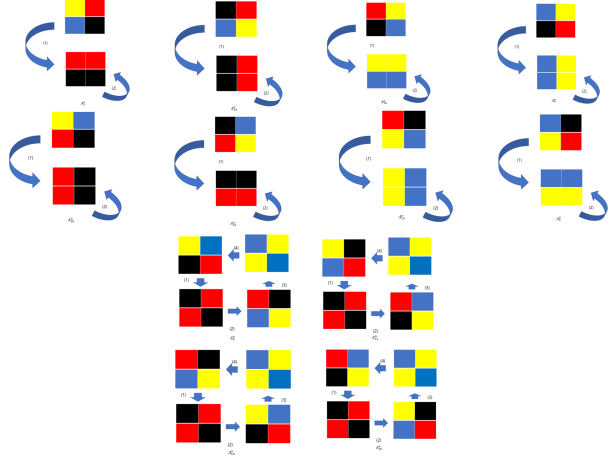


FIGURE 3. Stable and Sociable matrix sequences

The cases of the stable matrix sequences (Figure 3), the amicable pair matrix sequences (Figure 4), and the sociable matrix sequences (Figure 3) are represented in Figure 3, 4. It is easy to understand that the four matrices that satisfy Lemma 2.1 have the same form as long as the positions are changed.

That is, in fact, we only need to check whether the six matrix sequences ( $\mathfrak{A}_1, \mathfrak{A}_2, \mathfrak{A}_3, \mathfrak{A}_4, \mathfrak{A}_6, \mathfrak{A}_{15}$ ) are amicable, sociable, and stable.

Looking at the Figures 3 and 4, it is very easy to understand how the matrix sequence changes.

**Remark 3.1.** Looking at Figure 3 and 4,  $A_i^4 = I$  but  $A_i^2 = -I$  cannot be found in  $M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$ . In other words, we can see that the matrix  $A_i$  that satisfies  $A_i^2 = -I$  does not exist in  $M_2^d(\mathbb{Z}_4)$ . This may not seem difficult even using the Cayley-Hamilton theorem.

**Remark 3.2.** It is well known [4, p.89] that the 4-torsion group in elliptic curves has the structure of  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \oplus \mathbb{Z}_4$ . The 24 matrix sequences of this article can also be interpreted as the endomorphism of  $E[4]$ . Here,  $E[4] = \{P \in E | 4P = \infty\}$  and  $\infty$  is the point at infinity in  $E$ .

### 4. Discussion

Matrices are a very fundamental research topic in economics, physics, biology, and engineering. Matrix theory is also fundamentally used in the fields of AI,



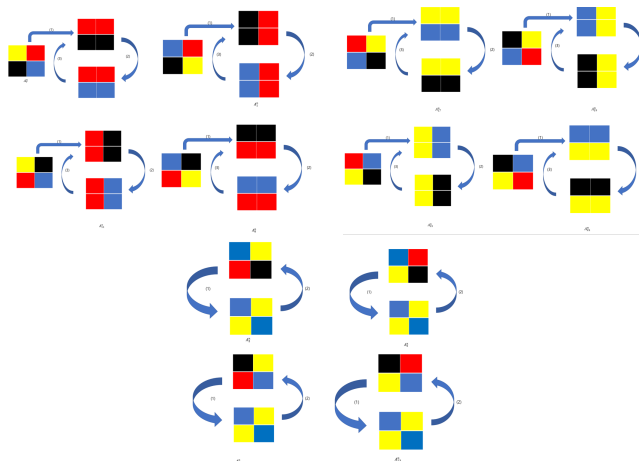


FIGURE 4. Amicable pair matrix sequences

robotics, and medical mathematics, which have been actively studied recently. The iterated matrix defined on  $\mathbb{Z}_4$  studied in this paper can be usefully used to find the automorphism group of an elliptic curve. Future research will be conducted on the results for the overall case, rather than for different cases, and the study is planned to utilize this to construct a polyhedron. Lastly, in the future, the structures obtained from subgroups obtained through repeated execution of matrices have interesting structures, and we plan to conduct joint research with researchers majoring in art.

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