

Matrix convertibility over finite fields

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- ▶ *Number of derangements of order n*
- ▶ *Ménage numbers*
- ▶ *Number of perfect matching in bipartite graph*

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Suppose $n \geq (p-3)\log_2(n-1)(p-1) + 2$. Let $A \in M_n(\mathbb{F}_p)$ be a symmetric matrix satisfies the following condition

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