

# Documentation for case q 3.py

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## Abstract

The following documentation aims to give an overview of what different operations can be done with the file `case q 3.py`. These include operations among some special infinite upper triangular matrices, also in the case in which there are some unknown upper diagonals. In particular, the file introduces two different classes, `N` and `NX`, and defines functions which take arguments from both or either of the classes.

## A quick reference

This part provides a quick guide on how to use the file. For a more detailed explanation refer to the later sections.

The file allows to do operations with elements of a particular group. Consider

$$G = \langle x_0, \dots, x_{12} \mid x_i^3 = \text{Id}, x_i x_{i+1} x_{i+4} = \text{Id} \rangle,$$

where `Id` denotes the identity element and subscripts are taken modulo 13 (see [3]).

There is a faithful representation of  $G$  in the group of finite band upper triangular infinite matrices with entries in  $M(3, \mathbb{F}_3)$ , invertible entries on the main diagonal, and entries on the diagonals with periodicity 3 ( $g_{ij} = g_{i+3, j+3}$  for all  $i, j \geq 1$  for any  $g$  in this group).

Each element in  $G$  may thus be identified with an infinite matrix of this type.

The generators are all built-in and can be called by `x0, ..., x12`.

A diagonal can be described equivalently by a  $3 \times 9$  matrix with entries in  $\mathbb{F}_3$  or by a 3-tuple of non-negative numbers, each less than or equal to 19683. Indeed, if the first 3 entries on an upper diagonal are  $a_1, a_2, a_3 \in M(3, \mathbb{F}_3)$ , the  $3 \times 9$  matrix  $[a_1, a_2, a_3]$  will describe the diagonal entirely, because of the periodicity 3. Moreover, for  $k = 1, 2, 3$ , the matrix  $((a_k)_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3}$  can be represented by the number  $A_k = 3^8(a_k)_{11} + 3^7(a_k)_{12} + 3^6(a_k)_{13} + 3^5(a_k)_{21} + 3^4(a_k)_{22} + 3^3(a_k)_{23} + 3^2(a_k)_{31} + 3(a_k)_{32} + (a_k)_{33}$ . Therefore,  $[A_1, A_2, A_3]$  describes the same upper diagonal as  $[a_1, a_2, a_3]$ .

For instance,

```
>>> x0
N ([[9613, 9613, 9613], [5859, 5859, 5859], [2970, 2970, 2970], [5859, 5859, 5859],
 [2970, 2970, 0], [5859, 0, 0]])
>>> print x0
N([matrix([[1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1],
           [0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2, 0, 1, 2],
           [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1]]), matrix([[0, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2],
           [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1],
           [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]]), matrix([[0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1],
           [0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 2],
           [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]]), matrix([[0, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2],
           [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1],
           [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]]), matrix([[0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0],
           [0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 2, 0, 0, 0],
           [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]]), matrix([[0, 2, 2, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
```

```
[0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]]])])
```

means that  $x_0$  is the infinite upper triangular matrix whose diagonal is described by the 3-tuple [9613, 9613, 9613] and whose subsequent five upper diagonals are described, in order, by [5859, 5859, 5859], [2970, 2970, 2970], [5859, 5859, 5859], [2970, 2970, 0], [5859, 0, 0]. All other upper diagonals are zero.

We can multiply and take powers. For example,  $x_3x_6^{-1}x_5^2$  would be

```
>>> x3*(x6**(-1))*(x5**2)
N ([[11773, 2848, 1192], [4401, 845, 163], [5022, 924, 4631], [5238, 15317, 2417],
[14742, 3006, 920], [9477, 5942, 8389], [5265, 15733, 12955], [9612, 5260, 0], [14904, 0, 0]])
```

We can also work with elements of which only some upper diagonals are known. For instance,

```
>>> x=NX([9613, 9613, 9613])
>>> x
N ([[9613, 9613, 9613]],?)
>>> x.conj(x2)
N ([[9613, 12970, 6931]],?)
>>> x0.comm(x)
N ([[6643, 6643, 6643]],?)
```

Here `x.conj(x2)` and `x0.comm(x)` give  $x^{-1}x_2x$  and  $x_0^{-1}x^{-1}x_0x$  respectively. Finally, we can truncate elements in the following way:

```
>>> c=x5**2
>>> c
N ([[11773, 9933, 6949], [9693, 13672, 83], [14823, 871, 598], [3699, 6547, 531],
[19062, 6851, 0], [7776, 0, 0]])
>>> c.trunc(2)
N ([[11773, 9933, 6949], [9693, 13672, 83]],?)
```

## A more detailed guide

### 1 Useful procedures

The first part of the code defines some useful operations.

**inversematrix3(A)**: Let  $A \in M(3, \mathbb{F}_3)$  be invertible. Then **inversematrix3(A)** returns the inverse of  $A$  modulo 3.

**inversebigmatrix3(B)**: Let  $B$  be an upper triangular square matrix of arbitrary dimension, whose entries are  $3 \times 3$  matrices over  $\mathbb{F}_3$  and whose diagonal entries are invertible modulo 3. Then **inversebigmatrix3(B)** returns the inverse of  $B$  modulo 3.

**transfmn3(M)**: Let  $M = (M_{ij})_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3}$  be a  $3 \times 3$  matrix with entries in  $\mathbb{F}_3$ . Then **transfmn3(M)** returns the integer  $3^8M_{11} + 3^7M_{12} + 3^6M_{13} + 3^5M_{21} + 3^4M_{22} + 3^3M_{23} + 3^2M_{31} + 3M_{32} + M_{33}$ .

**transfnm3(n)**: Given an integer  $1 \leq n \leq 19683$ , **transfnm3(n)** returns the unique  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $M$  with entries in  $\mathbb{F}_3$  such that **transfmn3(M)** == n.

**extract(k,M)**:

Let  $M = (M_{ij})_{1 \leq i \leq 3, 1 \leq j \leq 9}$  be a  $3 \times 9$  matrix.

If  $k$  is an integer such that  $1 \leq k \leq 3$ , **extract(k,M)** returns the  $3 \times 3$  matrix  $(M_{ij})_{1 \leq i \leq 3, 3k-2 \leq j \leq 3k}$ . For all other choices of  $k$ , the function returns:

'You entered a value of k out of range: k must be an integer between 1 and 3'.

`comb(U1,U2,U3):`

Given the  $3 \times 3$  matrices  $U_1, U_2, U_3$ , `comb(U1,U2,U3)` returns the unique  $3 \times 9$  matrix  $U$  such that `extract(i,M) == Ui`, for  $1 \leq i \leq 3$ .

`numm3(ss):`

The function `numm3` takes a list `ss` of three non-negative integers less than or equal to 19683 and returns the  $3 \times 9$  matrix `comb(transf3m3(ss[0]),transf3m3(ss[1]),transf3m3(ss[2]))`.

`matt3(M):`

The function `matt3` is the inverse of `numm3`: it takes a  $3 \times 9$  matrix, reduces it modulo 3, and returns the corresponding 3-tuple of integers.

### Example 1.

```
>>> A=matrix([[2,2,1],[0,1,0],[2,1,2]])
>>> Ainv=inversematrix3(A)
>>> Ainv
matrix([[1, 0, 1],
        [0, 1, 0],
        [2, 1, 1]])
>>> transf3m3(A)
18329
>>> transf3m3(_)
matrix([[2, 2, 1],
        [0, 1, 0],
        [2, 1, 2]])
>>> B=matrix([[0, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2, 0, 2, 2],
             [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1],
             [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0]])
>>> extract(1,B)
matrix([[0, 2, 2],
        [0, 0, 1],
        [0, 0, 0]])
>>> comb(Ainv,extract(3,B),A)
matrix([[1, 0, 1, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2, 1],
        [0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0],
        [2, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 1, 2]])
>>> numm3([1,271,55])
matrix([[0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0],
        [0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 2],
        [0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1]])
>>> matt3(_)
[1, 271, 55]
```

## 2 The class **N**

### 2.1 Instances of **N**

An instance  $g$  in this class represents an infinite upper triangular matrix with the following properties:

1. Each entry is a  $3 \times 3$  matrix over  $\mathbb{F}_3$ ;
2. Each diagonal entry is invertible (in particular, each diagonal entry of a generator has order 3);
3.  $g_{ij} = g_{i+3,j+3}$  for all  $i, j \geq 1$ ;

4. There exists  $n \geq 1$  such that  $g_{ij} = \mathbf{0}$  for all  $i, j$  with  $j - i \geq n$ , where  $\mathbf{0}$  denotes the  $3 \times 3$  zero matrix.

Because of Property 3, we may define an upper diagonal by a  $3 \times 9$  matrix (see [1]).

We define an element  $g$  in  $\mathbf{N}$  in the following way. Let  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  be  $3 \times 9$  matrices. Then  $g = \mathbf{N}(U_1, \dots, U_m)$  defines the element of  $\mathbf{N}$  with the diagonal described by  $U_1$  and  $m - 1$  upper diagonals described by  $U_2, \dots, U_m$ . All other upper diagonals are zero. The matrices  $U_1, \dots, U_m$  may be replaced by the corresponding 3-tuples of numbers.

`print g:`

Assume  $U_m$  is not the zero matrix. Then the command `print g` gives  $\mathbf{N}([U_1, \dots, U_m])$  and we can call  $[U_1, \dots, U_m]$  by `g.m`.

If  $U_i = 0$  for all  $i \geq j$  for some  $1 < j \leq m$  and  $U_{j-1}$  is non zero, then `print g` gives  $\mathbf{N}([U_1, \dots, U_{j-1}])$ . Finally, if we enter `g = N([6643, 6643, 6643])`, `print g` gives `Id`.

`g:`

Just typing `g` in the shell gives the same output as `print g`, but with the  $3 \times 9$  matrices replaced by 3-tuples of numbers. It is the same as `print g.transfmn()` (see 2.2). Note, however, that while the latter may be used also in the file, the command `g` gives an output only if typed in the shell.

### Example 2.

```
>>> x12
N ([[9613, 2662, 10641], [18495, 19372, 4569], [15606, 3760, 3487], [5859, 11631, 5812],
 [10746, 10070, 0], [11448, 0, 0]])
>>> g=N(matrix([[1,0,0,1,0,0,1,0,0],[0,1,0,0,1,0,0,1,0],[0,0,1,0,0,1,0,0,1]]))
>>> g
Id
>>> h=N([7393, 5859, 18329],[0,0,0])
>>> print h
N([matrix([[1, 0, 1, 0, 2, 2, 2, 2, 1],
           [0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0],
           [2, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 2, 1, 2]]))])
```

## 2.2 Operations within the class $\mathbf{N}$

`__eq__()` and `__ne__()`:

We can compare instances in  $\mathbf{N}$  in the obvious way.

For  $g, h$  in  $\mathbf{N}$ , `g==h` (resp. `g!=h`) returns `True` (resp. `False`) if  $g$  and  $h$  represent the same matrix and `False` (resp. `True`) otherwise.

`transfmn()`:

Given an instance  $g = \mathbf{N}(U_1, \dots, U_m)$  of  $\mathbf{N}$ , the command `g.transfmn()` returns  $\mathbf{N}([ [n_{11}, n_{12}, n_{13}], \dots, [n_{m1}, n_{m2}, n_{m3}] ])$ , where  $0 \leq n_{ij} \leq 19683$  represents the matrix  $j$  of  $U_i$ .

`ext(n,m)`:

Given  $g$  in  $\mathbf{N}$  and  $n, m$  positive integers, `g.ext(n,m)` is the  $n \times m$  matrix obtained from the first  $n$  rows and first  $m$  columns of the infinite matrix represented by  $g$ .

`__mul__()`:

Given  $g, h$  in  $\mathbf{N}$ , `g*h` returns  $g \cdot h$ .

`inv()`:

`g.inv()` returns the inverse of  $g$ . If the precision parameter is large enough, the output of `print g.inv()` is an element in  $\mathbf{N}$ ; otherwise, it is an element in  $\mathbf{NX}$  (see Section 3).

The precision parameter is set by default to be equal to 1 and can be modified by overwriting the global

variable `precinv` (see below).

`precinv`:

As mentioned above, the global variable `precinv` controls the maximum number of upper diagonals we allow to be computed in the inverse. Suppose  $g$  has  $m$  non zero diagonals. When we type `g.inv()`, the function `inv()` will find the exact inverse of  $g$  if this has at most `precinv`  $\cdot m$  non zero diagonals and will return the first `precinv`  $\cdot m$  upper diagonals of  $g^{-1}$  otherwise.

If the program is used to do operations only involving the generators, it is recommendable to set `precinv` to 1.

`--pow--()`:

Let  $n$  be an integer (possibly zero or negative). Then `g**n` returns  $g^n$ . In particular, note that the inverse of  $g$  is returned both if we type `g.inv` or `g**(-1)`.

`conj()`:

`g.conj(h)` returns  $g^{-1}hg$  (it may be in `NX` if `g**(-1)` is in `NX`).

`comm()`:

`g.comm(h)` returns  $g^{-1}h^{-1}gh$  (it may be in `NX` if `g**(-1)` or `h**(-1)` is in `NX`).

`comm()` also computes higher commutators. That is: `g.comm(y0, ..., yj)` returns the higher commutator  $[g, y_0, \dots, y_j] = [[\dots[g, y_0], \dots, y_{j-1}], y_j]$ .

`commr()`:

`g.commr(y0, ..., yj)` returns the higher commutator  $[g, y_0, \dots, y_j] = [g, [y_0, \dots, [y_{j-1}, y_j] \dots]]$ . Note that `g.commr(h)` is the same as `g.comm(h)`.

`trunc(n)`:

`g.trunc(n)` returns the element in `NX` (see Section 3), whose diagonal and first  $n - 1$  upper diagonals agree with the diagonal and first  $n - 1$  upper diagonals of  $g$ .

### Example 3.

```
>>> x0**(-1)
N ([[11773, 11773, 11773], [2241, 2241, 2241], [5859, 5859, 5859], [3699, 3699, 3699],
 [4401, 4401, 0], [2970, 0, 0]])
>>> g=N(x0.m[0],x0.m[1],x0.m[2])
>>> g**(-1)
N ([[11773, 11773, 11773], [2241, 2241, 2241], [5859, 5859, 5859]],?)
>>> precinv=5
>>> x0**(-1)
N ([[11773, 11773, 11773], [2241, 2241, 2241], [5859, 5859, 5859], [3699, 3699, 3699],
 [4401, 4401, 0], [2970, 0, 0]])
>>> g**(-1)
N ([[11773, 11773, 11773], [2241, 2241, 2241], [5859, 5859, 5859], [1458, 1458, 1458],
 [1458, 1458, 1458]])
```

### Example 4.

```
>>> a=x0.conj(x1)
>>> a
N ([[9613, 10641, 13891], [18198, 6196, 2999], [11637, 2188, 17037], [5103, 4321, 2235],
 [10584, 13793, 840], [1053, 1515, 951], [5130, 1491, 16878], [2970, 11721, 2187],
 [14607, 4374, 4374], [2187, 2187, 2187], [4374, 4374, 0], [2187, 0, 0]])
>>> a.trunc(6)
N ([[9613, 10641, 13891], [18198, 6196, 2999], [11637, 2188, 17037], [5103, 4321, 2235],
 [10584, 13793, 840], [1053, 1515, 951]],?)
```

```

>>> x0.commr(x1,x2)==x0.comm(x1.comm(x2))
True
>>> x0.comm(x1,x2)==(x0.comm(x1)).comm(x2)
True
>>> x0*x1*x4
Id

```

### 3 The class NX

#### 3.1 Instances of NX

An instance  $g$  of  $NX$  differs from one of  $N$  only for the fact that we have information about the first say  $l$  upper diagonals of  $g$ , but we do not know what the other upper diagonals look like.

We define an element  $g$  in  $NX$  in the following way. Let  $V_1, \dots, V_l$  be  $3 \times 9$  matrices. Then  $g = NX(V_1, \dots, V_l)$  defines the element of  $NX$  with the diagonal described by  $V_1$  and  $l-1$  upper diagonals defined, in order, by  $V_2, \dots, V_l$ . Similarly to  $N$ , the matrices  $V_1, \dots, V_l$  may be replaced by the corresponding 3-tuples of numbers.

```
print g:
```

The command `print g` gives  $N([V_1, \dots, V_l], ?)$  and we can call  $[V_1, \dots, V_l]$  by  $g.l$ .

```
g:
```

The difference between `print g` and `g` in  $NX$  is analogous to the difference between the same commands in  $N$ .

#### 3.2 Operations within the class NX

Except for `==` and `!=`, all the other functions listed in 2.2 can also be used with arguments belonging to  $NX$ . The output of `*`, `**`, `inv()`, `conj()`, `comm()`, will in this case be an element in  $NX$  (except for when we raise an element to the power 0, which gives `Id`).

##### Example 5.

```

>>> x=NX(x0.m[0],x0.m[1])
>>> y=NX(x1.m[0],x1.m[1])
>>> z=NX(x4.m[0],x4.m[1])
>>> x*y*z
N ([[6643, 6643, 6643], [0, 0, 0]],?)
>>> x**(-1)
N ([[11773, 11773, 11773], [2241, 2241, 2241]],?)
>>> x.conj(y)
N ([[9613, 10641, 13891], [18198, 6196, 2999]],?)
>>> res=x.comm(z)
>>> res
N ([[6643, 17650, 10871], [5130, 2948, 5946]],?)
>>> res.trunc(10)
N ([[6643, 17650, 10871], [5130, 2948, 5946]],?)

```

### 4 Operations among classes and comparison operators

As well as multiplying, taking conjugates and commutators of instances of the same class, one can perform these operations with one element in  $N$  and one in  $NX$ . The outcome will obviously belong to  $NX$ .

##### Example 6.

```

>>> x
N ([[9613, 9613, 9613], [5859, 5859, 5859], [2970, 2970, 2970]],?)
>>> x*x1*x4
N ([[6643, 6643, 6643], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]],?)
>>> x.comm(x1)
N ([[6643, 2305, 17650], [3699, 1517, 5893], [4401, 762, 3675]],?)

```

Besides, we can compare two elements of **NX** or one element of **N** and one of **NX** with the operators  $>$ ,  $<$ ,  $>=$ ,  $<=$ . The output is explained in what follows. For an element  $g$  of **NX** we denote by  $l(g)$  the number of known diagonals.

`--gt--()`:

Let  $g$  be an instance of **NX** and  $h$  an instance of **N** or **NX**. Then  $g>h$  returns **True** if all the first  $l(g)$  upper diagonals of  $g$  agree with the first  $l(g)$  upper diagonals of  $h$  and, in the case of  $h$  in **NX**,  $l(g) < l(h)$ .

`--ge--()`:

Let  $g$  be an instance of **NX** and  $h$  an instance of **N** or **NX**. Then  $g>=h$  returns **True** if all the first  $l(g)$  upper diagonals of  $g$  agree with the first  $l(g)$  upper diagonals of  $h$ .

`--lt--()`:

Let  $g$  be an instance of **N** or **NX** and  $h$  an instance of **NX**. Then  $g<h$  returns **True** if all the first  $l(h)$  upper diagonals of  $g$  agree with the first  $l(h)$  upper diagonals of  $h$  and, in the case of  $h$  in **NX**,  $l(h) < l(g)$ .

`--le--()`:

Let  $g$  be an instance of **N** or **NX** and  $h$  an instance of **NX**. Then  $g<=h$  returns **True** if all the first  $l(h)$  diagonals of  $h$  agree with the first  $l(h)$  upper diagonals of  $g$ .

### Example 7.

```

>>> x=NX(x0.m[0],x0.m[1])
>>> y=NX(x0.m[0],x0.m[1],x0.m[2])
>>> x0<x
True
>>> x<y
False
>>> x>y
True
>>> z=x
>>> (x<z) or (z<x)
False
>>> (x<=z) and (x>=z)
True

```

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