

Problems

NEW PROBLEMS

25. Permutation Expression Simplification Problem: Given P and Q, each length N permutation vectors (rearrangments of N or the result of N?N), find equivalent shorter forms for each of the following expressions:

P[P1Q] AQ1P AQ[P] (AP)1Q (AP)[Q]

Even more interestingly, prove your answers!
(posed by the Problem Editor)

26. Boolean Ghost Problem: Here is a class of four problems: Given a boolean vector, after each occurrence of a [one|zero] insert a single [one|zero].

An example for the 1-0 problem:

V + 0 0 1 0 1 1
result = 0 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 0

There is a similar problem for insertion before each occurrence. A solution exists for each problem with less than 25 characters.

(posed by the Problem Editor)

27. Index of Occurrence Problem: Given a numeric vector, V, convert the first occurrence of every unique element to a 0, the second occurrence of every unique element to a 1, etc. Thus, if V has all unique elements, the result will be $(\rho V)\rho 0$, and if V has all duplicate elements, the result will be $1\rho V$ (computed in origin 0). Otherwise, for example

V + 6 1 3 3 1 2 3 3
result = 0 0 0 1 1 0 2 3

There exists an origin independent solution with less than $20\ \mathrm{characters.}$

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