

# Methods of Hadamard Matrix Construction

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Definition: if  $H$  is a matrix of  $+1, -1$  of order  $n \times n$  and  $H \cdot H^T = nI$  then  $H$  is called a Hadamard Matrix.

- Currently it has been shown that Hadamard matrices exist for orders  $1, 2, 4, \dots, 4n$  for  $n$  up to 107.
- While it is not known if Hadamard matrices exist for all  $n \geq 1$   $4n$ , we do know of several infinite families of Hadamard matrices.
- We have seen the form  $H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} + & + \\ + & - \end{pmatrix}$  and  $H_2 \otimes H_2 = H_4 = \begin{pmatrix} + & + & + & + \\ + & - & + & - \\ + & + & - & - \\ + & - & - & + \end{pmatrix}$  This can be expanded to  $2^k \times 2^k$
- In general  $H_n \otimes H_m \Rightarrow H_{nm}$   
(Theorem 18.4 - This result was shown in class)
- We've also seen Williamson's method  
$$H = \begin{pmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 & A_4 \\ -A_2 & A_1 & -A_4 & A_3 \\ -A_3 & A_4 & A_1 & -A_2 \\ -A_4 & -A_3 & A_2 & A_1 \end{pmatrix}$$
 where  $A_1^2 + A_2^2 + A_3^2 + A_4^2 = 4nI$ 
  - Symmetric
  - Commute(this was also shown in class)

## Part 1 Hadamard-Design Construction Method

- A  $(v, k, \lambda)$  design is called symmetric when the # of blocks ( $b$ ) is equal to the # of elements ( $v$ ).
- It can be shown that when  $n = k - 1$  there are bounds for  $v$  ~~where~~  $4n - 1 \leq v \leq n^2 + n + 1$  when symmetric. (We have seen that ~~where~~  $v = n^2 + n + 1$  is a finite projective plane.)  
Let's examine the designs where  $v = 4n - 1$  (The Lower Bound).

Theorem: Any symmetric design with  $v = 4n - 1$   $n = k - 1$  is either a  $(4n - 1, 2n - 1, n - 1)$  design or its complement.

Proof: Recall from class lecture  $r = \frac{\lambda(v-1)}{k-1}$  and  $vr = kb$

Since  $v = b$  (in a symmetric design) this implies that  $r = k$

$$\Rightarrow r(k-1) = \lambda(v-1) \Rightarrow k(k-1) = \lambda(4n-2) = 2\lambda(2n-1)$$

$$n = (k-1) \Rightarrow \lambda = (k-n) = 2(k-n)(2n-1)$$

$$= 4kn - 4n^2 + 2n - 2k$$

$$= 4kn - 2k - 4n^2 + 2n$$

$$k(k-1) = k(4n-2) - 2n(2n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = k^2 - k - k(4n-2) + 2n(2n-1)$$

$$= k^2 - k - 4kn + 2k + 4n^2 - 2n$$

$$= k^2 - 2kn - 2kn + 4n^2 + k - 2n$$

$$= k(k-2n) - 2n(k-2n) + (k-2n)$$

$$0 = (k-2n)(k-n) \Rightarrow \begin{matrix} k = 2n \\ k = 2n - 1 \end{matrix}$$

- If  $k=2n$  then since  $n=k-\lambda \Rightarrow \lambda=n$  and the result is a  $(4n-1, 2n, n)$  design.
- If  $k=2n+1$  then since  $n=k-\lambda \Rightarrow \lambda=n-1$  and the result is a  $(4n-1, 2n-1, n-1)$  design.
- Verify they are complements  $(4n-1) - (2n) = (2n-1)$
- for design  $(v, k, \lambda)$  a complement is  $(v, v-k, \lambda')$  where  $\lambda' = b - 2r + \lambda$ . This holds in our case above.

Definition: A  $(4n-1, 2n-1, n-1)$  symmetric Design is called a Hadamard Design of order  $n$ .

Lemma: If  $H$  is a Hadamard matrix, then  $\sqrt{H \cdot H^T = H^T \cdot H = nI}$

proof: recall from linear algebra that  $A \cdot A^{-1} = A^{-1} \cdot A = I$  where  $A$  and  $A^{-1}$  are non-zero matrices. So what is  $H^{-1}$ ?  $H^{-1} = \frac{1}{n} H^T \Rightarrow H \cdot H^{-1} = H \cdot \frac{1}{n} H^T = I$ . but this implies  $H \cdot H^{-1} = H^{-1} \cdot H = \frac{1}{n} H^T \cdot H = I$ . Since  $\frac{1}{n}$  is just a scalar  $H \cdot H^T = nI = H^T \cdot H$ .  $\square$

This implies that all Hadamard matrices are both row orthogonal as well as column orthogonal.

- Also Recall that if the 1<sup>st</sup> row of  $H$  is normalized (all +s) a matrix of order  $m$  then each row (apart from the 1<sup>st</sup>) has  $\frac{1}{2}m$  +s and  $\frac{1}{2}m$  -s. Furthermore there will be  $\frac{1}{4}m$  +s that match and  $\frac{1}{4}m$  -s that match (giving inner product zero)

Given a Hadamard Design of order  $n$  take the incidence matrix  $A$  and replace every  $0$  by  $-$ , then add a further row and column of  $+s$ . Call this  $(+, -)$  matrix  $H$ .

Theorem 1: If  $A$  is the incidence matrix of a Hadamard design of order  $n$  ( $4n-1, 2n-1, n-1$ ) then  $H$  is a Hadamard matrix of order  $4n$ .

Proof:

Consider the dot product of any two columns of  $H$ .

Since  $\lambda = (n-1)$  each column will have  $+s$  together  $(n-1)+1 = n$  times ( $\lambda +$  row of  $+s$  added). Also,

since  $r = k$  in a symmetric design each column contains  $r+1 = (2n-1)+1 = 2n$   $+s$ . (and  $2n$   $-s$ ).

So there are  $2(2n-n) = 2n$  places they differ (product =  $-1$ ).

Then  $-s$  will match up  $n$  times and the

$$\text{dot-product } 2n(+)+2n(-) = 0 \Rightarrow H \text{ is a}$$

Hadamard matrix of order  $4n$ . Since each column

beyond the  $1^{st}$  has  $2n$   $+s$  and  $2n$   $-s$  the dot-product

with the  $1^{st}$  column and any other will also be  $0$ .  $\square$

Theorem 2: Given a Hadamard matrix  $H$  of order  $4n$

$A$  will be the incidence matrix of a

$(4n-1, 2n-1, n-1)$  Hadamard Design.

Proof: After normalizing  $H$  in the first row

and column and removing the first row and column

$A$  will result.