Generalized Hadamard matrices $GH(2^k, 1)$ over an elementary abelian group

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Abstract

To find Generalized Hadamard matrices $GH(2^k, 1)$ for $k \ge 3$ on the multiplicative group consisting of diagonal matrices each having as its diagonal one row of H_{2^k} (a Hadamard matrix of order 2^k) which we denote as $\{D_1, D_2, \ldots, D_{2^k}\}$.

Definition 1. An $nxn(\pm 1)$ -matrix H is a Hadamard matrix if $HH^T = nI(i.e$ its rows are pairwise orthogonal). H_n denotes a Hadamard matrix of order n.

If H is a Hadamard matrix, then H^T is also a Hadamard matrix.

Definition 2. [1] If G is a finite group of order s, then a square matrix $H = [h_{ij}]$ of order r with elements from G is called a Generalized Hadamard matrix of type r/s if:

(i) For each $1 \le i \ne j \le r$, $\{h_{ik}h_{jk}^{-1} : 1 \le k \le r\}$ includes r/s copies of every element of G. (ii) H^T has the property (i).

Definition 3. A finite abelian group G of order n is said to be an elementary abelian group if each element of G has order p, where p is a prime.

1 Introduction to the group D^{2^k}

In this section, we are going to construct an elementary abelian group of order 2^k , for each $k \ge 1$. The elements of these groups are diagonal matrices having order 2. At first, we review a definition.

Definition 4. If $M = [m_{ij}]$ and $N = [n_{ij}]$ are two matrices of order m and n respectivley, then the Kronecker product of M and N, denoted by $M \otimes N$, is a matrix of order nm which is defined as follows:

$$M \otimes N = [m_{ij}N]$$

1.1 Sylvester's construction

For k = 1, we start with the following Hadamard matrix of order 2^1 and call it H_2 :

$$H_2 = \left(\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & - \end{array}\right)$$

For k = 2, define H_{2^2} as follows

$$H_{2^2} = \left(\begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & - & 1 & - \\ 1 & 1 & - & - \\ 1 & - & - & 1 \end{array}\right)$$

For $k \ge 2$, we define H_{2^k} as follows

$$H_{2k} = H_2 \otimes H_{2k-1}$$

Now, we introduce a notation which is useful.

Notation 5. For each $k \ge 1$, let S_k be the set of rows of H_{2k} ; i.e.,

$$S_k = \{a_i^{2^k} : a_i^{2^k} \text{ is the ith row of } H_{2^k}, \text{ for each } 1 \le i \le 2^k\}$$

Note that S_k has 2^k elmements.

By using this notation, we have

- For $1 \le i \le 2^k$, $a_i^{2^{k+1}} = (a_i^{2^k} | a_i^{2^k})$; and
- For $2^k + 1 \le i \le 2^{k+1}$, $a_i^{2^{k+1}} = (a_{imod2^k}^{2^k} | -a_{imod2^k}^{2^k})$.

The rows of these matrices have some properties mentioned in the following theorem.

Theorem 6. The rows of H_{2^k} form an elemetary abelian group of order 2^k , for each $k \ge 1$. The operation of this group is componentwise multiplication.

Proof. S_k has associativity and commutativity because the componentwise multiplication of real vectors is commutative and associative. The first element of S_k includes only ones because of the first row of H_2 , [1,1], and the property of the Kronecker product.

This element is the identity element of S_k . On the other hand, since the rows or elements, we are dealing with, include only ± 1 , the inverse of each element is itself. In fact, the order of each element is two.

Therefore, for each $k \ge 1$, S_k is a set with the properties associativity, inverse element, and identity. We use induction to prove closure.

Let n = 1. Then, $S_1 = \{a_1^2, a_2^2\} = \{[1, 1], [1, -1]\}$. If we denote component-wise multiplication by *, then we have

$$a_1^2 * a_1^2 = a_1^2$$

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Therefore, the set S_1 is closed under componentwise multiplication.

Assume, for n = k, we have S_k is closed under componentwise multiplication. Let n = k + 1. Then we have

$$H_{2^{k+1}} = H_2 \otimes H_{2^k} = \begin{pmatrix} H_{2^k} & H_{2^k} \\ H_{2^k} & -H_{2^k} \end{pmatrix}$$

Let $a_i^{2^{k+1}}$ and $a_j^{2^{k+1}}$ be two arbitrary elements of S_{k+1} . Since the set of rows of Hadamard matrix H_{2^k} , S_k , is closed under componentwise multiplication, we have

- If $1 \le i \ne j \le 2^k$, then $a_i^{2^{k+1}} * a_j^{2^{k+1}} = a_r^{2^{k+1}}$, for some $1 \le r \le 2^k$.
- If $2^k + 1 \le i \ne j \le 2^{k+1}$, then $a_i^{2^{k+1}} * a_j^{2^{k+1}} = a_r^{2^{k+1}}$, for some $1 \le r \le 2^k$.
- If $1 \le i \le 2^k$ and $2^k + 1 \le j \le 2^{k+1}$, then $a_i^{2^{k+1}} * a_j^{2^{k+1}} = a_r^{2^{k+1}}$, for some $2^k + 1 \le r \le 2^{k+1}$.

Hence, the rows of H_{2^k} form an elemetary abelian group of order 2^k , for each $k \ge 1$.

Remark 7. Note that H_2 is a symmetric Hadamard matrix, so $H_2 = H_2^T$ Then H_{2^k} is also symmetric because it is constructed by repetitions of Kronecker product of H_2 with itself (k-1) times. Thus the columns of H_{2^k} form the same elemetary abelian group S_k of order 2^k , for each $k \ge 1$.

For each k, we have

$$S_k = \{a_i^{2^k} : a_i^{2^k} \text{ is the ith row of } H_{2^k}, \text{ for each } 1 \le i \le 2^k\}$$

For each i, we can replace $a_i^{2^k}$ with $D_i = diag(a_i^{2^k})$, a diagonal matrix having $a_i^{2^k}$ on its diagonal. Now, let's make a new set called T_k as follow

$$T_k = \{D_i^{2^k}: D_i^{2^k} \text{ is a diagonal matrix having } a_i^{2^k} \text{ on its diagonal }, \text{ for each } 1 \leq i \leq 2^k\}$$

By using matrix multiplication, T_k is also an elemetary abelian group of order 2^k isomorphic to S_k , for each $k \ge 1$.

Now, see an example for the case k = 3.

Example 8. *let* k = 3. *Then we have*

$$H_{2k} = H_{23} = H_2 \otimes H_{22}$$

So

$$H_{2^3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & - & 1 & - & 1 & - & 1 & - \\ 1 & 1 & - & - & 1 & 1 & - & - & 1 \\ 1 & - & - & 1 & 1 & - & - & - & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & - & - & - & - & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & - & - & - & - & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & - & - & 1 & - & 1 & 1 & - & \end{pmatrix}$$

The first row of this matrix includes only one, and it is a symmetric matrix. Then we have

$$S_3 = \{a_1^{2^3}, a_2^{2^3}, \dots, a_8^{2^3}\}$$

, where

$$a_1^{2^3} = [1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1]$$

$$a_2^{2^3} = [1, -, 1, -, 1, -, 1, -]$$

$$a_3^{2^3} = [1, 1, -, -, 1, 1, -, -]$$

$$a_4^{2^3} = [1, -, -, 1, 1, -, -, 1]$$

$$a_5^{2^3} = [1, 1, 1, 1, -, -, -, -]$$

$$a_6^{2^3} = [1, -, 1, -, -, 1, -, 1]$$

$$a_7^{2^3} = [1, 1, -, -, -, -, 1, 1]$$

$$a_8^{2^3} = [1, -, -, 1, -, 1, 1, -]$$

, and

 $T_3 = \{D_1^{2^3}, D_2^{2^3}, \dots, D_8^{2^3}\}$

, where

$$D_1^{2^3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_2^{2^3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_6^{2^3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Then the multiplication tables of S_3 and T_3 are the same if i refers to both $D_i^{2^3}$ and $a_i^{2^3}$, for each $1 \le i \le 8$. Hence, we have

*	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2	2	1	4	3	6	5	8	7
3	3	4	1	2	7	8	5	6
4	4	3	2	1	8	7	6	5
5	5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4
6	6	5	8	7	2	1	4	3
7	7	8	5	6	3	4	1	2
8	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

The following theorem states for each $k \ge 1$, S_k has a subset U_k with k elements with a specific property. We will use U_k in the next section.

Lemma 9. For each $k \ge 1$, there is a subset U_k of S_k with k elements satisfying the following condition:

• For each $1 \le i \le k$, there is an element $b_i^{2^k} = [(b_i^{2^k})_j]$, $1 \le j \le 2^k$, in U_k such that:

- If
$$i > 1$$
, $b_i^{2^k} = [(b_i^{2^k})_j] = [(-1)^{q_j}]$, where q_j is $[j/2^i]$; and

- if
$$i = 1$$
, $b_1^{2^k} = [(b_1^{2^k})_i] = [-(-1)^j]$.

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Proof. We use induction for this proof. We have two base cases n = 1 and n = 2.

Let n = 1, then U_1 has one element, and i can only be 1. We have $b_1^{2^1} = [-(-1)^j] = [1, -1] = a_2^2$. Hence, $U_1 = \{a_2^2\}$.

If n=2, then U_2 has two elements and i can take values 1 and 2. We have $b_1^{2^1}=[-(-1)^j]=[1,-1,1,-1]=a_2^{2^2}$, and $b_2^{2^2}=[(-1)^{q_j}]=[1,1,-1,-1]=a_3^{2^2}$. Therefore, $U_2=\{a_3^{2^2},a_2^{2^2}\}$.

Assume, for n = k, we have $U_k = \{b_1^{2^k}, \dots, b_k^{2^k}\}$ with desired properties. Let n = k + 1. By the construction of S_k , we have the set $\{(b_1^{2^k}|b_1^{2^k}), \dots, (b_k^{2^k}|b_k^{2^k})\}$ is a subset of S_{k+1} . Moreover, for $1 \le i \le k$, we have

$$b_i^{2^{k+1}} = (b_i^{2^k}|b_i^{2^k})$$

Hence, we have k elements of U_{k+1} . We also have that the first 2^k components of $b_{k+1}^{2^{k+1}}$ are one, and the rest are minus one. By constructure of S_{k+1} , this element is $b_{k+1}^{2^{k+1}} = a_{2^{k+1}}^{2^{k+1}} = (a_1^{2^k}|-a_1^{2^k})$ which make the last element of U_{k+1} .

The subset U_k mentioned in last lemma, has more specific properties. In the following lemma, we use U_k to build a matrix.

Lemma 10. For each $k \ge 1$, suppose U_k is the subset of S_k mentioned in the last lemma, and construct a matrix UG_k in the following way:

• the element $b_i^{2^k}$ of the set U_k is the ith row of GH_k .

Then, this matrix has the following properties:

- The order of GH_k is k to 2^k ;
- All 2^k columns of GH_k are distinct;

Proof. For each k, consider the matrix UG_k . Since U_k has k elements which are the rows of UG_k , and since each element of U_k has 2^k components, the order of GH_k is k to 2^k . Now, suppose UC_k is the set of culomns of UG_k ; i.e.,

$$UC_k = \{u_i^{2^k}; u_i^{2^k} \text{ is the ith column of } UG_k\}$$

We want to prove $u_r^{2^k} = [(u_r^{2^k})_j]$ and $u_s^{2^k} = [(u_s^{2^k})_j]$ are distinct if $r \neq s$, where $1 \leq r \neq s \leq 2^k$, and $1 \leq j \leq k$.

Toward a contradiction, suppose $r \neq s$ but $u_r^{2^k} = u_s^{2^k}$. Since $u_r^{2^k} = u_s^{2^k}$, then $(u_r^{2^k})_j = (u_s^{2^k})_j$ for each $1 \leq j \leq k$. We have $(u_r^{2^k})_k = (u_s^{2^k})_k$ implies $1 \leq r$, $s \leq 2^{k-1}$ or $2^{k-1} + 1 \leq r$, $s \leq 2^k$. With out loss of generality, suppose $1 \leq r$, $s \leq 2^{k-1}$.

Next, we have $(u_r^{2^k})_{k-1} = (u_s^{2^k})_{k-1}$ implies $1 \le r$, $s \le 2^{k-2}$ or $2^{k-2} + 1 \le r$, $s \le 2^{k-1}$. With out loss of generality, suppose $1 \le r$, $s \le 2^{k-2}$. If we continue in this way, we have last step as follow:

• Since $(u_r^{2^k})_1 = (u_s^{2^k})_1$, we have $1 \le r$, $s \le 2^{k-k} = 1$.

This is a contradiction because we suppose $r \neq s$; so, $u_r^{2^k} \neq u_s^{2^k}$. Hence, all columns of GH_k are distinct.

Now, consider the following lemma which is about the set UC_k mentioned in the last lemma.

Lemma 11. For each $k \ge 1$, the set UC_k , the set of culomns of UG_k , is an elementary abelian group of order 2^k under componentwise multiplication.

Proof. For each $k \ge 1$, from lemma 10, the rows of H_{2^k} can be permuted so that the i^{th} row of H'_{2^k} is $b_i^{2^k}$. Then the matrix UG_k is a submatrix of H'_k ; i.e., the matrix UG_k form the first k rows of H'_{2^k} . By remark 7, the columns of H_{2^k} form an elementary abelian group under componentwise multiplication. Therefore, the columns of H'_{2^k} also form an elementary abelian group under componentwise multiplication. This implies that UC_k is an elementary group under componentwise multiplication. By previous lemma, the order of this group is 2^k .

In the following lemma, we prove the existence of an isomorphism between S_k and UC_k .

Lemma 12. For each $k \ge 1$, there is an isomorphism Φ from S_k to UC_k defined as follow.

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$$\Phi(a_i^{2^k}) = u_i^{2^k}$$
, where $1 \le i \le 2^k$.

Proof. For each $k \ge 1$, since the matrix UG_k forms the first k rows of H'_{2^k} , we can map each column of UG_k to each column of H'_{2^k} , in the natrual way. Hence, if

$$S'_{k} = \{a_{i}^{'2^{k}} : a_{i}^{'2^{k}} \text{ is the ith row of } H'_{2^{k}}, \text{ for each } 1 \leq i \leq 2^{k}\},$$

then let σ from S'_k to UC_k be the following mapping:

$$\sigma(a_i^{'2^k}) = u_i^{'2^k}$$
, for each $1 \le i \le 2^k$.

By considering the componentwise multiplication, this is an isomorphism. To complete the proof, we need the isomorphism σ from S_k to S'_k defined as follow:

$$\phi(a_i^{2^k}) = a_i'^{2^k}, \text{ for each } 1 \le i \le 2^k.$$

Indeed, σ is an isomorphism. Since H_{2^k} is symmetric, the set S_K can be consider as the set of columns of H_{2^k} as well, and σ can be considered as a permutation of the components of each $a_i^{2^k}$. Since the multiplication is componentwise, σ prevers the operations, and it is an isomorphism.

2 Construction of Generalized Hadamard matrices

Proposition 13. [1], There is a symmetric GH matrix of type 1 over every finite elementary abelian group G of order p^k .

Proof. The GH matrix is constructed as follows:

G, the elementary abelian group of prime power order p^k is taken to be the additive group of the field $F = GF(p^k)$. A multiplication table for the field constitutes the elements of the GH matrix of type 1 over G.

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We now review Galois field of order 2^k , $GF(2^k)$. For a specific k, the elements of $GF(2^k)$ are polynomails of order less than or equal to k-1 with coefficients from GF(2). Multiplication of the elements in the field is done modulo some primitive polynomial over GF(2).

We can use vector of length k as an expression of elements of $GF(2^k)$ in the following way:

$$v_i = (v_{i1} \ v_{i2} \ \dots \ v_{ik}) \simeq v_{i1}x^{k-1} + v_{i2}x^{k-2} + \dots + v_{i(k-1)}x + v_{ik}$$

The additive group of GF(2) is isomorphic to the multiplicative group of $\{1,-1\}$ with the usual operation of multiplication. Thus, the elementary abelian group G can be now be seen to consist of elements of the form $v_i = (v_{i1} \ v_{i2} \ \dots \ v_{ik}) : v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{ik} \in \{-1,1\}, 1 \le i \le 2^k$ and the operation being pointwise multiplication.

Example 14. *GH* matrix constructed over
$$GF(2^3) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}[T]/(T^3 + T + 1)$$
 $GF(2^3) = \{0, 1, T, T + 1, T^2, T^2 + 1, T^2 + T, T^2 + T + 1\}$ $G(2^3) = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 1, -), (1, -, 1), (1, -, -), (-, 1, 1), (-, 1, -), (-, -, 1), (-, -, -)\}$

is

$$\begin{pmatrix} (1,1,1) & (1,1,1) & (1,1,1) & (1,1,1) & (1,1,1) & (1,1,1) & (1,1,1) & (1,1,1) \\ (1,1,1) & (1,1,-) & (1,-,1) & (1,-,-) & (-,1,1) & (-,1,-) & (-,-,1) & (-,-,-) \\ (1,1,1) & (1,-,1) & (-,1,1) & (-,-,1) & (1,-,-) & (1,1,-) & (-,-,-) & (-,1,-) \\ (1,1,1) & (1,-,-) & (-,-,1) & (-,1,-) & (-,-,-) & (-,1,1) & (1,1,-) & (1,-,1) \\ (1,1,1) & (-,1,1) & (1,-,-) & (-,-,-) & (-,-,1) & (1,-,1) & (-,1,-) & (1,1,-) \\ (1,1,1) & (-,1,-) & (1,1,-) & (-,1,1) & (1,-,1) & (-,-,-) & (1,-,-) & (1,1,-) \\ (1,1,1) & (-,-,1) & (-,-,-) & (1,1,-) & (-,1,-) & (1,-,-) & (1,-,1) & (-,1,1) \\ (1,1,1) & (-,-,-) & (-,1,-) & (1,-,1) & (1,1,-) & (-,-,1) & (-,1,1) & (1,-,-) \end{pmatrix}$$
 It is easy to see that the set $1 \le i \le 2^k$ (by $k^{-1} : 1 \le k \le 2^k$) includes every element of C

It is easy to see that the set $1 \le i \ne j \le 2^k$, $\{h_{il} \cdot h_{jl}^{-1} : 1 \le l \le 2^k\}$ includes every element of G once.

Result 15. The group of columns S_k of H_{2^k} under pointwise multiplication * is isomorphic to the elementary abelian group G obtained through the construction in **Proposition 10**, also under pointwise multiplication \odot .

Proof. $S_k = \{a_1^{2^k}, a_2^{2^k}, a_3^{2^k} \dots a_{2^k}^{2^k}\}$, where $a_i^{2^k}$ denotes the column of H_{2^k} .

$$G = \{v_i : v_i = \{v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{ik}\} \text{ where } v_{ij} \in \{-1, 1\}, 1 \le j \le k\}$$

From Lemma 10, the rows of H_{2^k} can be permuted so that the i^{th} row of $H_{2^k}^{'}$ is $b_i^{2^k}$, for $1 \le i \le k$. The mapping $f: S_k \to G$, $f(a_i^{2^k}) = v_j: v_{jl} = a_{il}^{2^k} \ \forall 1 \le l \le k$ is well defined, because all the 2^k possibilities of filling up k spaces with 1 and -1 are included in G. Each column is mapped to a unique vector so the mapping is one-one. Since $|V_k| = |S_k| = 2^k$, the mapping is onto as well. We now prove that the group operation is preserved over the mapping. Here · represents usual multiplication of real numbers.

For some
$$i, j: 1 \leq i, j \leq 2^k$$

$$f(a_i^{2^k} * a_j^{2^k}) = v_x: \ v_{xl} = (a_{il}^{2^k} \cdot a_{jl}^{2^k}) \ \forall \ 1 \leq l \leq k$$
 Let $f(a_i^{2^k}) = v_y$ for some $1 \leq y \leq 2^k$, and $f(a_j^{2^k}) = v_z$ for some $1 \leq z \leq 2^k$, then $v_{yl} = a_{il}^{2^k} \ \forall \ 1 \leq l \leq k$ and $v_{zl} = a_{jl}^{2^k} \ \forall \ 1 \leq l \leq k$, so $v_{xl} = v_{yl} \cdot v_{zl} \ \forall \ 1 \leq l \leq k, \Rightarrow v_x = v_y \odot v_z$
$$\Rightarrow f(a_i^{2^k} * a_j^{2^k}) = f(a_i^{2^k}) \odot f(a_j^{2^k})$$
 Hence f is a homomorphism. Thus f is an isomorphism.

This isomorphism can be used to obtain $GH(2^k, 1)$ over D_k , using the construction described in Proposition 10.

Now, we want to review an example of the last theorem for the case k = 3.

Example 16. For this case, we have

$$G = \{[111], [11-], [1-1], [1--], [-11], [-1-], [--1], [--1]\}$$

, and the first 3 rows of H'_{2^3} is as follows

By the proof of last theorem, we map each element of G to one column in S_k . This mapping is an isomorphism.

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