

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 $k \geq 3$ 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 $\{D_1, D_2, \dots, D_{2^k}\}$.

Definition 1. An $n \times n$ (± 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 , denoted by $GH(G, r/s)$ if:

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

Definition 3. Two Hadamard matrices H_{2^k}, H'_{2^k} are said to be equivalent to each other if one can be obtained from the other by the following operations:

- (i) Permutation of rows
- (ii) Permutation of columns
- (iii) Multiplication of a row(column) with -1

Definition 4. 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 $k \geq 1$. The elements of these groups are diagonal matrices having order 2. At first, we review a definition.

Definition 5. If $M = [m_{ij}]$ and $N = [n_{ij}]$ are two matrices of order m and n respectively, 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 :

$$H_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & - \end{pmatrix}$$

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

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

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

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

Now, we introduce a notation which is useful.

Notation 6. For each $k \geq 1$, let S_k be the set of rows of H_{2^k} ; i.e.,

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

Note that S_k has 2^k elements.

By using this notation, we have

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

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

Lemma 7. The rows of H_{2^k} form an elementary abelian group of order 2^k , for each $k \geq 1$. 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 $k \geq 1$, 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

$$\begin{aligned} a_1^2 * a_1^2 &= a_1^2 \\ a_2^2 * a_1^2 &= a_2^2 \\ a_2^2 * a_2^2 &= a_1^2 \end{aligned}$$

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

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

Remark 8. 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 elementary abelian group S_k of order 2^k , for each $k \geq 1$.

For each k , we have

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

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

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

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

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

Example 9. let $k = 3$. Then we have

$$H_{2^k} = H_{2^3} = H_2 \otimes H_2$$

So

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

The first row of this matrix includes only ones, and is a symmetric matrix. Then,

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

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

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

$$D_7^{2^3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$D_8^{2^3} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & - & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & - \end{pmatrix}$$

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 $1 \leq i \leq 8$. 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 lemma states for each $k \geq 1$, S_k has a subset U_k with k elements, with a specific property.

Lemma 10. For each $k \geq 1$, there is a subset U_k of S_k with k elements satisfying the following condition:

- For each $1 \leq i \leq k$, there is an element $b_i^{2^k} = [(b_i^{2^k})_j]$, $1 \leq j \leq 2^k$, 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 $i = 1$, $b_1^{2^k} = [(b_1^{2^k})_j] = [-(-1)^j]$.

$$b_k^{2^k} = \left(\overbrace{1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-1}} \overbrace{-1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-1}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
b_{k-1}^{2^k} &= \left(\overbrace{1 \ 1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-2}} \overbrace{-1 \ -1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-2}} \overbrace{1 \ 1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-2}} \overbrace{-1 \ -1}^{2^{k-2}} \right) \\
b_{k-2}^{2^k} &= \left(\overbrace{1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-3}} \overbrace{-1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-3}} \overbrace{1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-3}} \overbrace{-1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-3}} \overbrace{1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-3}} \overbrace{-1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-3}} \overbrace{1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-3}} \overbrace{-1 \ \dots}^{2^{k-3}} \right) \\
&\vdots \\
b_1^{2^k} &= \left(\overbrace{1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ \dots \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1}^{\text{alternating } +1\text{'s and } -1\text{'s}} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

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 $b_1^{2^1} = [-(-1)^j] = [1, -1, 1, -1] = a_2^2$, and $b_2^{2^2} = [(-1)^{qj}] = [1, 1, -1, -1] = a_3^2$.

Therefore, $U_2 = \{a_3^2, a_2^2\}$.

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 $1 \leq i \leq k$, 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} . \square

The rows of the Hadamard matrix H_{2^k} are permuted to obtain an equivalent Hadamard matrix H'_{2^k} , such that the i^{th} row of H'_{2^k} is $b_i^{2^k}$. We use S'_k to denote the group of columns of H'_{2^k} .

Lemma 11. *The first k elements of any two columns in the group S'_k are distinct.*

Proof. For the sake of clarity, we can impose an order on the elements of S'_k . The i^{th} column of H'_{2^k} is expressed as $a_i'^{2^k}$ for each i , $1 \leq i \leq k$.

We want to prove that if $1 \leq r \neq s \leq 2^k$, $(a_r'^{2^k})_j \neq (a_s'^{2^k})_j$ for atleast one j , $1 \leq j \leq k$.

Toward a contradiction, suppose $r \neq s$ but $(a_r'^{2^k})_j = (a_s'^{2^k})_j$ for each $1 \leq j \leq k$.

$(a_r'^{2^k})_k = (a_s'^{2^k})_k \Rightarrow 1 \leq r, s \leq 2^{k-1}$ or $2^{k-1} + 1 \leq r, s \leq 2^k$.

With out loss of generality, suppose $1 \leq r, s \leq 2^{k-1}$.

Then, $(a_r'^{2^k})_{k-1} = (a_s'^{2^k})_{k-1} \Rightarrow 1 \leq r, s \leq 2^{k-2}$ or $2^{k-2} + 1 \leq r, s \leq 2^{k-1}$.

With out loss of generality, suppose $1 \leq r, s \leq 2^{k-2}$.

Continuing this way,

Since $(a_r'^{2^k})_1 = (a_s'^{2^k})_1$, we have $1 \leq r, s \leq 2^{k-k} = 1$.

This is a contradiction because we have assumed that $r \neq s$. Hence, the first k elements of any two columns in S'_k are distinct. \square

2 Construction of Generalized Hadamard matrices

A method presented in [1] illustrates a construction for $GH(G, n)$, where G is an elementary abelian group. This method can be extended by an isomorphism described in Proposition 15 construct a $GH(G, 1)$, where G is the elementary abelian group of columns of a Hadamard matrix, S'_k .

Proposition 12. [1], *There is a symmetric GH matrix of type 1 over every finite elementary abelian group G of order p^k , where p is a prime.*

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 . \square

We now focus on Galois field of order 2^k , $GF(2^k)$. For a specific k , the elements of $GF(2^k)$ are polynomials of order less than or equal to $k - 1$ with coefficients from $GF(2)$.

Addition is pointwise and multiplication is done modulo some primitive polynomial over $GF(2)$. For each $k \geq 1$, let G_k denote the additive group of $GF(2^k)$.

$$G_k = \{v_i = v_{i1} + v_{i2}T + \dots v_{ik}T^{k-1} | v_{ij} \in \{0, 1\} \forall j, 1 \leq j \leq k\}$$

Addition of two polynomials v_i and v_j is defined as,

$$v_i + v_j = (v_{i1} + v_{j1}) + (v_{i2} + v_{j2})T + \dots (v_{ik} + v_{jk})T^{k-1}$$

Remark 13. *The additive group of $GF(2)$ is isomorphic to the multiplicative group of $\{1, -1\}$ with the usual operation of multiplication. By this isomorphism, 1 is mapped to -1 , 0 is mapped to 1, and addition is changed to multiplication. G_k obtains another representation through the use of this isomorphism as:*

$$G_k = \{v_i = v_{i1} + v_{i2}T + \dots v_{ik}T^{k-1} | v_{ij} \in \{-1, 1\} \forall j, 1 \leq j \leq k\}$$

with the operation being pointwise multiplication, denoted by \odot ,

$$v_i \odot v_j = (v_{i1} \cdot v_{j1}) + (v_{i2} \cdot v_{j2})T + \dots (v_{ik} \cdot v_{jk})T^{k-1}$$

This representation of G_k finds use in the next proposition. Before that, we view an example of the construction.

Example 14. *GH matrix constructed over the additive group of $GF(2^3) = \mathbb{Z}/2\mathbb{Z}[T]/(T^3 + T + 1)$*
 $GF(2^3) = \{0, 1, T, T+1, T^2, T^2+1, T^2+T, T^2+T+1\}$
 $G_3(2^3) = \{(1+T+T^2), (-1+T+T^2), (1-T+T^2), (-1-T+T^2), (1+T-T^2), (-1+T-T^2), (1-T-T^2), (-1-T-T^2)\}$

The multiplication table for $GF(2^3)$:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1+T+T^2 & 1+T+T^2 & 1+T+T^2 & 1+T+T^2 & 1+T+T^2 & 1+T+T^2 & 1+T+T^2 & 1+T+T^2 \\ 1+T+T^2 & -1+T+T^2 & 1-T+T^2 & -1-T+T^2 & 1+T-T^2 & -1+T-T^2 & 1-T-T^2 & -1-T-T^2 \\ 1+T+T^2 & 1-T+T^2 & 1+T-T^2 & 1-T-T^2 & -1-T+T^2 & -1+T+T^2 & -1-T-T^2 & -1+T-T^2 \\ 1+T+T^2 & -1-T+T^2 & 1-T-T^2 & -1+T-T^2 & -1-T-T^2 & 1+T-T^2 & -1+T+T^2 & 1-T-T^2 \\ 1+T+T^2 & 1+T-T^2 & -1-T+T^2 & -1-T-T^2 & 1-T-T^2 & 1-T+T^2 & -1+T-T^2 & -1+T+T^2 \\ 1+T+T^2 & -1+T-T^2 & -1+T+T^2 & 1+T-T^2 & 1-T+T^2 & -1-T-T^2 & -1-T+T^2 & 1-T-T^2 \\ 1+T+T^2 & 1-T-T^2 & -1-T-T^2 & -1+T+T^2 & -1+T-T^2 & -1-T+T^2 & 1-T+T^2 & 1+T-T^2 \\ 1+T+T^2 & -1-T-T^2 & -1+T-T^2 & 1-T+T^2 & -1+T+T^2 & 1-T-T^2 & 1+T-T^2 & -1-T-T^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

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

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & T & T+1 & T^2 & T^2+1 & T^2+T & T^2+T+1 \\ 0 & T & T^2 & T^2+T & T+1 & 1 & T^2+T+1 & T^2+1 \\ 0 & T+1 & T^2+T & T^2+1 & T^2+T+1 & T^2 & 1 & T \\ 0 & T^2 & T+1 & T^2+T+1 & T^2+T & T & T^2+1 & 1 \\ 0 & T^2+1 & 1 & T^2 & T & T^2+T+1 & T+1 & T^2+T \\ 0 & T^2+T & T^2+T+1 & 1 & T^2+1 & T+1 & T & T^2 \\ 0 & T^2+T+1 & T^2+1 & T & 1 & T^2+T & T^2 & T+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Proposition 15. *There is an isomorphism between the elements of the group S'_k , with the operation of pointwise multiplication $*$, and the elementary abelian group G_k , also with the operation of pointwise multiplication \odot formed using 12.*

Proof. Consider the mapping,

$$f : S'_k \longrightarrow G_k$$

$$a_i'^{2^k} \mapsto (a_i'^{2^k})_1 + (a_i'^{2^k})_2 T^1 + (a_i'^{2^k})_3 T^2 \dots (a_i'^{2^k})_k T^{k-1}$$

From *remark 13*, the mapping is well defined. To show that it is one-one, let

$$f(a_i'^{2^k}) = f(a_j'^{2^k}) \text{ for some } 1 \leq i \neq j \leq 2^k.$$

$$\Rightarrow (a_i'^{2^k})_r = (a_j'^{2^k})_r, \text{ for all } 1 \leq r \leq k.$$

Using *lemma 11*, $a_i'^{2^k} = a_j'^{2^k}$. Thus it is injective.

The number of elements in S'_k and G is 2^k , hence it is onto in addition to being one-one.

To show that the mapping is a homomorphism,

$$\begin{aligned} f(a_i'^{2^k} * a_j'^{2^k}) &= ((a_i'^{2^k})_1 \cdot (a_j'^{2^k})_1) + ((a_i'^{2^k})_2 \cdot (a_j'^{2^k})_2) T^1 + \dots ((a_i'^{2^k})_k (a_j'^{2^k})_k) T^{k-1} \\ &= ((a_i'^{2^k})_1 + (a_i'^{2^k})_2 T^1 + \dots (a_i'^{2^k})_k T^{k-1}) \odot ((a_j'^{2^k})_1 + (a_j'^{2^k})_2 T^1 + \dots (a_j'^{2^k})_k T^{k-1}) \\ &= f(a_i'^{2^k}) \odot f(a_j'^{2^k}) \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow , the above arguments prove that f is an isomorphism. □

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