

# Hadamard 2-Groups Redux

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## STATUS REPORT

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<u>HADAMARD</u>	<u>NON HADAMARD</u>	<u>?</u>
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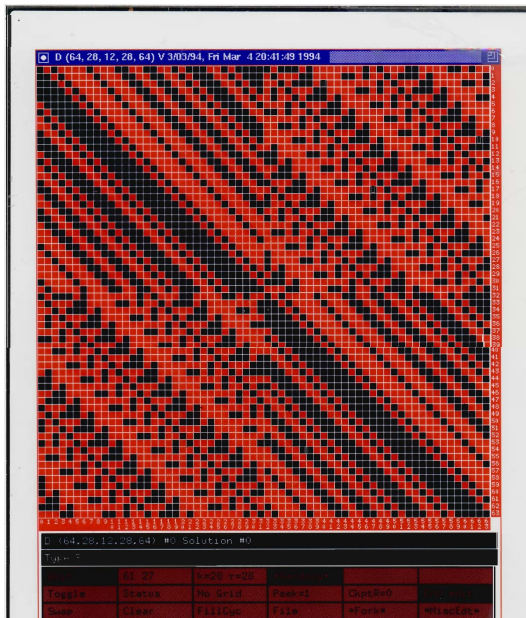
Theorem. Of the 267 groups of order 64 there are exactly 8 ~~9~~ which do not have nontrivial difference sets.

These non-Hadamard groups are:

Exponent	Cayley #	group
64	1	$\mathbb{Z}_{64}$
32	50	$\mathbb{Z}_{32} \times \mathbb{Z}_2$
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	54	$Q_{64}$
16	38	$\langle x, y, z : x^{16} = 1, y^2 = x^4, xy = yx, z^4 = 1, z^2 = y, zxz^{-1} = xy \rangle$
	47	$\langle x, y : x^{16} = 1, y^4 = x^7 \rangle$
	186	$D_{32} \times \mathbb{Z}_2$

1. Difference set  
constructed by  
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# M64 Hadamard matrix



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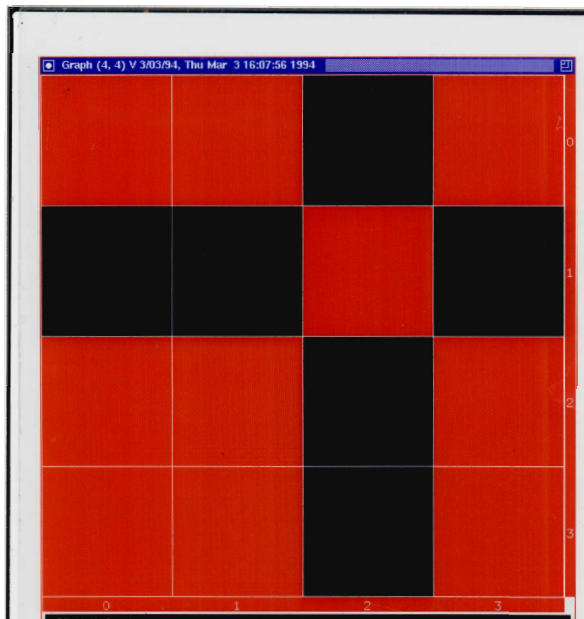
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Product Theorem.  $H_1, H_2 \in \mathcal{H}$

$H_1, H_2 \leq G$ ,  $G = H_1 H_2$ ,  $H_1 \cap H_2 = 1$

Then  $G \in \mathcal{H}$ .

Proof. Let  $D_i$  be a difference set in  $H_i$ .

Define  $D \subseteq G = H_1 H_2$  by

$$D^* = D_1^* D_2^*.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } D^* D^{*(G)} &= (D_1^* D_2^*) (D_1^* D_2^*)^{(G)} \\ &= D_1^* D_2^* D_2^{*(G)} D_1^{*(G)} \\ &= D_1^* |H_2| D_1^{*(G)} \\ &= D_1^* D_1^{*(G)} |H_2| \\ &= |H_1| |H_2| \\ &= |G|. \quad \text{QED.} \end{aligned}$$

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How about  $D^* = (-1+a+b+c)\Delta^*$

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$$D^* D^{*(-1)} = (-1+a+b+c)\Delta^* \Delta^{*(-1)}(-1+a^{-1}+b^{-1}+c^{-1})$$

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$\therefore D$  is a Hadamard difference set iff

$$\{ba^{-1}, ca^{-1}, cb^{-1}\} = \{a^{\pm 1}, b^{\pm 1}, c^{\pm 1}\}$$

Theorem (Generalized Products)

$G \in \mathcal{H}$  if 1)  $G = \langle b \rangle H$

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Theorem (RT Turyn)

$G \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $|G| = 2^{2s+2}$ ,  $K \triangleleft G$ ,  $G/K$  cyclic.

Then  $|K| \geq 2^s$  and  $|G/K| \leq 2^{s+2}$ .

Cor (Turyn's Exponent Bound)

$G$  abelian  $\Rightarrow \exp(G) \leq 2^{s+2}$ .

$(|G|=64 \Rightarrow \exp(G) \leq 16)$

Theorem. The above result is true

if "cyclic" is replaced by "dihedral".

Proof (the "dihedral trick"). Hadamard,  $G = \langle H, g : g^2 = 1, ghg^{-1} = h^{-1} \rangle$   
 $G = H + gH$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{H} \cong \mathbb{Z}^{2s+2}$ ,  $\mathcal{B} \in \mathbb{Z}G$ .

$$2^{2s+2} = \mathcal{H}\mathcal{H}^{(-1)} = (\alpha + g\beta)(\alpha + g\beta)^{(-1)} = \alpha\alpha^{(-1)} + \beta\beta^{(-1)} + 2g\beta\alpha^{(-1)}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta\alpha^{(-1)} = 0 \text{ AND } \alpha\alpha^{(-1)} + \beta\beta^{(-1)} = 2^{2s+2}.$$

Now if  $\mathcal{H}$  is any abelian group with  $[H:H] = 2$   
 say  $\mathcal{H} = H + \theta H$ . Define  $\mathcal{C} = \alpha + \theta\beta$ .

Then  $\mathcal{C}\mathcal{C}^{(-1)} = \alpha\alpha^{(-1)} + \beta\beta^{(-1)} = 2^{2s+2}$ . QED (!)

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ORTHOGONAL PIECES

$$|G| = 2^{2s+2} \quad E \cong E_{2^{s+1}} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2^{2^{s+1}} \leq G.$$

$$G = \sum_{i=0}^{2^{s+1}-1} g_i E,$$

$\chi_0, \chi_1, \dots, \chi_{2^{s+1}-1}$  characters of  $E$ .

Define  $D^* = \sum_{i=0}^{2^{s+1}-1} g_i \chi_i$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } D^* D^{*(G)} &= \sum_{i,j} (g_i \chi_i)(g_j \chi_j)^{(G)} \\ &= \sum_{i,j} g_i \chi_i \chi_j^{-1} g_j^{-1} \\ &= 2^{s+1} \sum_i g_i \chi_i g_i^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Theorem. If  $E_{2^{s+1}} \leq Z(G)$ , then  $G \in \mathcal{H}$

Cor.  $\mathbb{Z}_2^s \times \mathbb{Z}_2^{s+2} \in \mathcal{H}$

Cor. Turyn's bound sharp for all  $s$ .

Example: Suzuki  $_{64} \in \mathcal{H}$ .

CONJECTURE ?

# The Conjecture is TRUE! :)

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Art Drisko proved the combinatorial

THEOREM. Any  $(2n-1) \times n$  array with no repeats in any row has a transversal;  
i.e. there are  $n$  distinct entries no two in the same row or column.

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$$\pi: E \rightarrow G$$

such that  $(e^{\pi(e)}): e \in E \mapsto E$ .

COROLLARY. Let  $G$  be a group of invertible  $2^m \times 2^m$  matrices over  $\mathbb{F}_2$  and let  $M$  be the  $2^m \times 2^m$  array whose rows ( resp columns ) are indexed by the elements of  $G$  ( resp.  $V = (\mathbb{F}_2)^m$  ) and whose  $(g,v)$ -th entry is  $gv$ . Then  $M$  has a transversal.

COROLLARY. Every group of order  $4^m$  which has a normal elementary abelian subgroup of order  $2^m$  has a ( Hadamard ) difference set.

What a great result!...it'll be fun to think up other applications!

cheers,  
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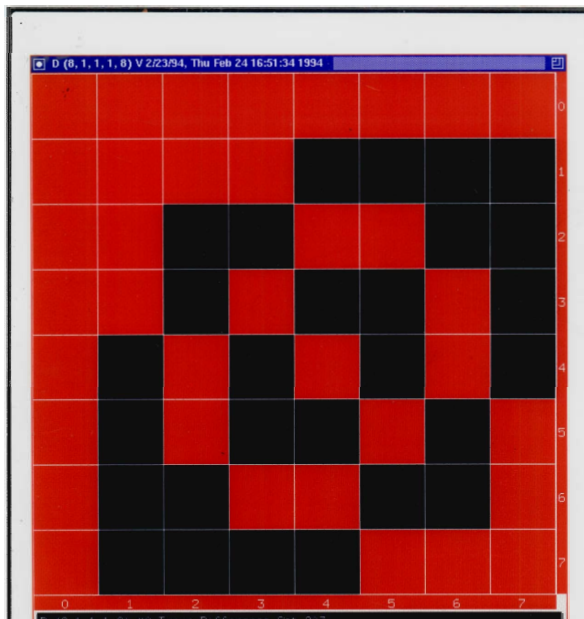
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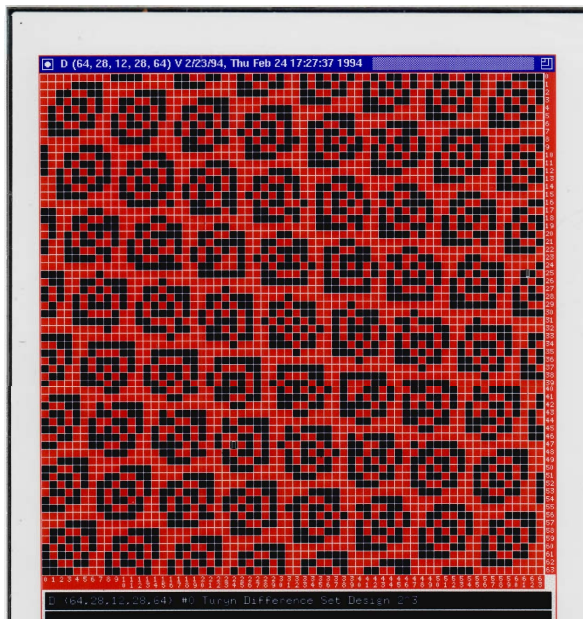
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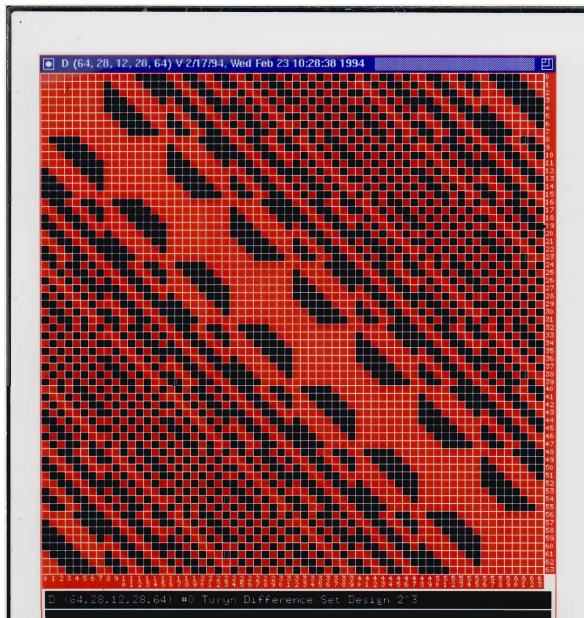
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# JFD Generalization

$n$

(JFD 87)  $G=H \times H$ ,

$H = \mathbb{Z}_{2^{s+1}} = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2^{s+1}-1\}$

$f^*: H \rightarrow \{1, -1\}, f^*(x+2^s) = -f^*(x)$

$\Pi: H \rightarrow H, \Pi(2^r t) = 2^r t^{-1}, t \text{ odd}$

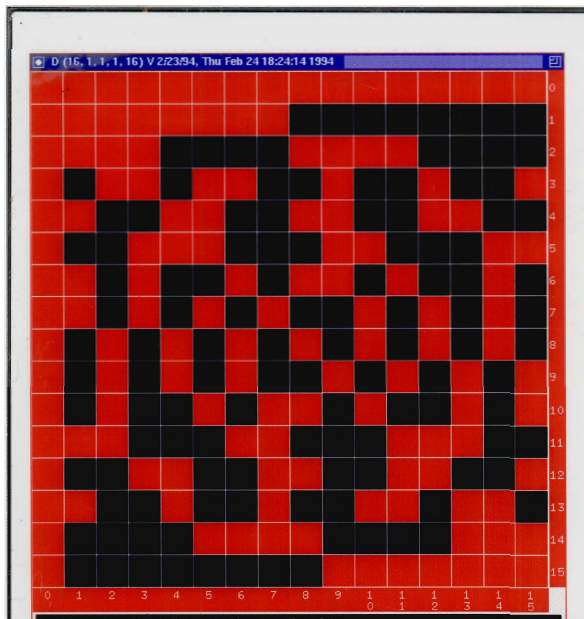
$D = \{(x, y): f^*(\Pi(x)y) = -1\}$  is a DS  
fixed by  $-1$ .

Exp many inequiv DS in  $G$

e.g.  $f(x)$  = "high order bit" of  $x$

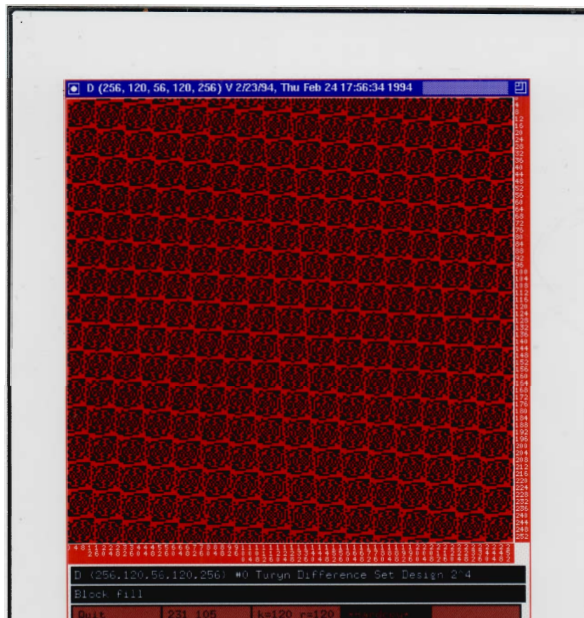
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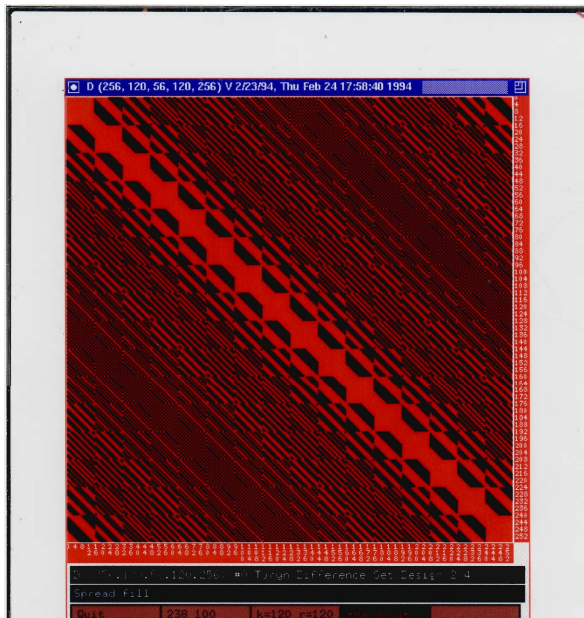




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TRANSFER OF  $\mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_8$  d.s. TO OTHER GROUPS.

$$G = \langle a \rangle \times \langle b \rangle \quad H = \langle a^2 \rangle \times \langle b \rangle \quad K = \langle a^2 \rangle \times \langle b^2 \rangle \quad E = \langle a^4 \rangle \times \langle b \rangle$$

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$$G = K + bK + aK + abK$$

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FACTS:  $\Delta_i^* \Delta_j^{*(-1)} = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$

$$\Delta_i^* \Delta_i^{*(-1)} = 16 \chi_i, \quad 0 \leq i \leq 3,$$

where  $\chi_i$ 's are characters of  $E \cong E_4$ .

Also  $G = H + aH$

$$D^* = A^* + aB^*$$

where  $A^* = \Delta_0^* + b\Delta_1^*$  and  $B^* = \Delta_2^* + b\Delta_3^*$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \therefore A^* A^{*(-1)} &= 32(1+b^4) \\ B^* B^{*(-1)} &= 32(1-b^4) \\ A^* B^{*(-1)} &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{aligned} D D^{*(-1)} &= A A^{*(-1)} + B B^{*(-1)} \\ &= 64. \end{aligned}$$

Note:  $\langle b^4 \rangle$  char  $H$ .

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$$[G:K]=4 \quad K \triangleleft G.$$

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$$\text{But } K \triangleleft G \Rightarrow E \triangleleft G \Rightarrow G/K \text{ acts on } E$$

$$\begin{aligned} |G/K| = 4 = |E| &\Rightarrow \exists \text{ transveral } \{i\} \\ \exists g_i \chi_i g_i^{-1} &= \chi_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore D^* D^{*(G)} = 16 \sum \chi_i = 16 \cdot 4 = 64.$$

$$\text{Thm. } \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \triangleleft G_{64} \Rightarrow G_{64} \in \mathcal{H}.$$

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