

Least Time:

Conference Matrices

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & & \pm 1 \\ & \ddots & \\ \pm 1 & & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and satisfy } CC^T = (n-1)I_n.$$

Theorem:

If C is an $n \times n$ conference matrix, (where $n \geq 2$), then one of the following must be true:

- (i) $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and C is monomially equivalent to a symmetric matrix, or.
- (ii) $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ and C is monomially equivalent to a skew-symmetric matrix.

Proof! (Gerasio - Sketch)

Take ^{diagonal} normal matrices U_1, U_2 so that:

$$\tilde{C} = U_1 C U_2$$

$$= \begin{cases} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ \vdots & & * \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ \vdots & & * \end{pmatrix} & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

Now check that $\tilde{C} = \pm \tilde{C}^T$:

To do this, look at rows i, j of \tilde{C}

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & \cdots & 1 \\ \vdots & & * \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow 3 \times n \text{ submatrix}$$



The possible answers are:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ c_{17} \\ c_{18} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ c_{19} \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ c_{17} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

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be 41.

Det product of rows $= 0 \Rightarrow$ Relationship b/w C_{ij} and C_j
($C_{ij} = I(C_j)$) □

A conference matrix is standardized if $C_{ij} = 1$ for $j = 2$ and $C = -C^T$.

If C is standardized the $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ submatrix obtained by deleting the first row and column is called the core.

Theorem!

If C is a skew-symmetric conference matrix, then $I+C$ is a Hadamard matrix.

Proof:

I+C has only 11 entries since the 0's were only on the diagonal.

Ans:

$$(I+C)(I+C)^T = I + \underbrace{C + C^T}_{=0} + CC^T$$

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Theorem:

If C is a symmetric real matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} C+I & -(C-I) \\ C-I & C+I \end{pmatrix}$$

is a block-diagonal matrix.

Proof:

This should remind us of complex #'s: $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ b & a \end{pmatrix}$.

Proof:

Like the last theorem:

$$\begin{pmatrix} C+I & -(C-I) \\ C-I & C+I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C+I & -(C-I) \\ C-I & C+I \end{pmatrix}^T$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} C+I & -(C-I) \\ C-I & C+I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} C^T+I & C^T-I \\ -C^T-I & C^T+I \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \quad (\text{Exercise!})$$

Theorem:

If an $n \times n$ conference matrix exists and $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, then $n-1$ is a sum of 2 squares.

(Example: There is no 22×22 conference matrix, since 21 is not a sum of 2 squares)

Proof:

$$\text{Since } CC^T = (n-1)I_n \Leftrightarrow C^T C = (n-1)I_n$$

$$\Rightarrow I_n \approx (n-1)I_n$$

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Since $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, by Witt cancellation, we have that $I_n \approx (n-1)I_n$

\Rightarrow (By HW) $n-1$ is a sum of 2 squares. □

A construction

Let q be a prime power.

Let a_1, a_2, \dots, a_q be the elements of $\text{GF}(q)$ listed in some order.

Let P be the $q \times q$ matrix

$$P = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i=j \\ 1 & \text{if } a_i - a_j \in \text{GF}(q) \\ -1 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$$

P is called the Paley matrix of $\text{GF}(q)$



Theorem:

If q is odd, then P is the core of a standardized conference matrix.

i.e. If $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then

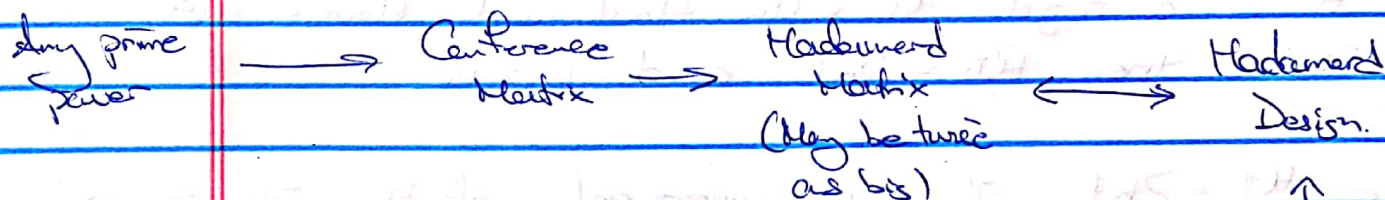
$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & & & \\ \vdots & P & & \\ \vdots & & & \end{pmatrix} \text{ is a symmetric conference matrix}$$

and if $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \vdots & & & \\ \vdots & P & & \\ \vdots & & & \end{pmatrix} \text{ is a skew-symmetric conference matrix.}$$

Proof: Reduce this to a problem of checking facts about quadratic residues. — Sifter to stuff value already done.

What do we have so far?



Remark: When $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, the two constructions give the same Hadamard matrix.

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 $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$
 QR Difference Set

In Summary:

We can construct $(n \times n)$ Hadamard matrices when

- (Kronecker Products):

$n_1 = m_1 m_2$ and there exist

$m_1 \times m_1$ and $m_2 \times m_2$ HMs

- $2n-1$ is a prime power (or difference set)

- $2n-1$ is a prime power

(If $2n-1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, use Paley's matrix)

(If $2n-1 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, combine 2 above)

Regular Hadamard Matrices:

A Hadamard matrix H is regular if $H\mathbf{1} = 2h\mathbf{1}$ for some $h \in \mathbb{R}$ (so $\mathbf{1}$ is an eigenvector, and all rows sum to $2h$)

Note: - Any row sum of H is even $\Rightarrow h \in \mathbb{Z}$
- h can be positive or negative

Proposition:

If H is a regular $(n \times n)$ Hadamard matrix with $H\mathbf{1} = 2h\mathbf{1}$, then $H^T\mathbf{1} = 2h\mathbf{1}$ and $h^2 = n$.

Proof:

Since $H\mathbf{1} = 2h\mathbf{1}$, $\mathbf{1}$ is an eigenvector of H with eigenvalue $2h$. So, $H^{-1}\mathbf{1} = (2h)^{-1}\mathbf{1}$ (i.e. H^{-1} has $(2h)^{-1}$ as an eigenvalue). But $H^T = (H^{-1})^T \Rightarrow H^T\mathbf{1} = (H^{-1})^T\mathbf{1} = \frac{2h}{n}\mathbf{1}$.

Now, compute $\mathbf{1}^T H \mathbf{1} = \mathbf{1}^T H^T \mathbf{1} \Rightarrow 2h = \frac{2h}{n} \Rightarrow$ both conclusions we want
 $\mathbf{1}^T (2h)\mathbf{1} \quad \mathbf{1}^T (\frac{2h}{n})\mathbf{1}$
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Theorem:

If H is a regular Hadamard matrix, then $\frac{J-H}{2}$ is the incidence matrix of a symmetric design called a Menon design, with parameters $(4h^2, 2h^2-h, h^2-h)$, $h \in \mathbb{Z}$.