

0.1. Lemmata. In §2.2, we introduced the linear simplex code $\mathcal{S}_{q,n}$. There it was shown that the code had constant weight q^{n-1} ; in particular, it follows that it is equidistant with constant Hamming distance q^{n-1} since the code is linear.

In ?, and later reproduced in ? using the language of BGW matrices, generalized Hadamard matrices $\text{GH}(q, q^{n-1})$ were used recursively in conjunction with the classical parameter $\text{BGW}((q^n - 1)/(q - 1), q^{n-1}, q^{n-1} - q^{n-2}; \text{GF}(q)^*)$ in order to construct certain designs. It turns out that the $\text{GH}(q, q^{n-1})$ used in the construction can be replaced by $\mathcal{S}_{q,n}$, and so simplify the construction.

In order to apply the linear code $\mathcal{S}_{q,n}$, we will require the following lemma.

0.1. Lemma. Let $\text{GF}(q) = \{a_0 = 0, a_1, \dots, a_{q-1}\}$, and let $n > 1$. Then there exist disjoint $(0, 1)$ -matrices $A_{a_1}, \dots, A_{a_{q-1}}$, and $A_{a_0} = J - \sum_i A_i$ of dimensions $q^n \times (q^n - 1)/(q - 1)$ such that

(0.1.a)

(0.1.b)

0.2. Construction. stuff here