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Introduction

In [2] it is pointed out that it is possible to define orthogonality for higher dimensional matrices in many ways.

Intuitively we see that each two-dimensional matrix within the n -dimensional matrix could have orthogonal row vectors (we call this propriety $(2,2,\dots,2)$); or perhaps each pair of two-dimensional layers

$$A^j = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ \vdots \\ a_t \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad B^j = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ b_2 \\ \vdots \\ b_t \end{bmatrix}$$

could have $A \cdot B = \text{tr}(AB^T) = a_1 \cdot b_1 + a_2 \cdot b_2 + \dots + a_t \cdot b_t = 0$ (note if the row vectors in this direction had been orthogonal we would have had $a_i \cdot b_i = 0$ for each i) (we call this propriety $(\dots,3,\dots)$); or perhaps each pair of three-dimensional layers

$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} A^1 \\ A^2 \\ \vdots \\ A^t \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = \begin{bmatrix} B^1 \\ B^2 \\ \vdots \\ B^t \end{bmatrix}$$

could have $\alpha \cdot \beta = A^1 \cdot B^1 + \dots + A^t \cdot B^t = 0$ (note that if the 2-dimensional matrices had been orthogonal we would have had $A^j \cdot B^j = 0$ for each j); and so on.

We say an n -dimensional matrix is orthogonal of propriety (d_1, \dots, d_n) with $2 \leq d_i \leq n$ where d_i indicates that in the i^{th} direction (i.e the i th coordinate) the $d_i - 1^{\text{st}}$, d_i^{th} , $d_i + 1^{\text{st}}$, \dots , $(n-1)^{\text{st}}$ dimensional layers are orthogonal but the $d_i - 2^{\text{nd}}$ layer is not orthogonal. $d_i = \infty$ means not even the $(n-1)^{\text{st}}$ layers are orthogonal.

The Paley cube of size $(q+1)^n$ constructed in [2] for $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ a prime power has propriety $(\omega, \omega, \dots, \omega)$ but if the 2-dimensional layer of all ones is removed in one direction the remaining n -dimensional matrix has all 2-dimensional layers in that direction orthogonal.

An n -cube orthogonal design, $D = [d_{ijk} \dots]$, of propriety (d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n) , side d and type $(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_t)^n$ on the commuting variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_t has entries from the set $\{0, \pm x_1, \dots, \pm x_t\}$ where $\pm x_i$ occurs s_i times in each row and column of each 2-dimensional layer and in which each e_j -dimensional layer, $d_i - 1 \leq e_j \leq n - 1$, in the i^{th} direction is orthogonal.

Shlichta [3] found n -dimensional Hadamard matrices of size $(2^t)^n$ and propriety $(2, 2, \dots, 2)$. In [2] the concept of higher dimensional m -suitable matrices was introduced to show that if t is the side of 4-Williamson matrices there is a 3-dimensional Hadamard matrix of size $(4t)^3$ and propriety $(2, 2, 2)$. In [4] it is shown that there are n -dimensional orthogonal designs of type $(2^t, 2^t)^n$, side 2^t , $t \geq 0$ and propriety $(2, 2, \dots, 2)$.

The results of [4] and [2] can be combined to give

THEOREM 1. *When $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ is a prime power, there exist higher-dimensional orthogonal designs of order $(q)^{\frac{1}{2}(q+1)}$ and propriety $(2, 2, \dots, 2)$.*

The equivalence relations

A $(1, 1, 1, 1)^{k+1}$ design would be preserved under the following equivalence relations:

- (i) each variable is replaced throughout by its negative;
- (ii) rearrangement of the parallel k -dimensional hyper-planes
(for the $(1, 1, 1, 1)^2$ design this is the rows and/or columns,
for the $(1, 1, 1, 1)^3$ design this is the parallel planes);
- (iii) multiplication of every variable of one entire k -dimensional hyper-plane by -1 .

There are exactly two inequivalent $(1, 1, 1, 1)^2$ designs of order 4 on the variables a, b, c, d . They are

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ -b & a & d & -c \\ -c & -d & a & b \\ -d & c & -b & a \end{bmatrix} & \text{and} & \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c & d \\ -b & a & -d & c \\ -c & d & a & -b \\ -d & -c & b & a \end{bmatrix} \\
\text{I} & & \text{II}
\end{array}$$

A little checking shows that a $(1,1,1,1)^3$ design can be obtained with either I or II as the front face. The design in the figure at the end of the paper has faces from equivalence class II.

The $(1,1,1,1)^n$ design

We proceed inductively. First define

$$a_1 = (-d, -c, b, a)$$

$$a_2 = (c, -d, a, -b)$$

$$a_3 = (b, a, d, c)$$

$$a_4 = (-a, b, c, -d)$$

and note

$$a_i \cdot a_j = 0 \quad \text{for all } i \neq j.$$

Now we can describe the faces of the $(1,1,1,1)^3$ design given in Figure 4a of Hammer and Seberry [2], in one direction as:

$$b_4^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_4 \\ a_3 \\ a_2 \\ a_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b_3^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_3 \\ -a_4 \\ a_1 \\ -a_2 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b_2^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_2 \\ -a_1 \\ -a_4 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad b_1^T = \begin{bmatrix} -a_1 \\ -a_2 \\ a_3 \\ a_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

or

$$\begin{bmatrix} b_4 \\ b_3 \\ b_2 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_4 & a_3 & a_2 & a_1 \\ a_3 & -a_4 & a_1 & -a_2 \\ a_2 & -a_1 & -a_4 & a_3 \\ -a_1 & -a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now there are two inequivalent 2-dimensional $(1,1,1,1)$ orthogonal designs but both of these can be completed to give a $(1,1,1,1)^3$ design. Thus we have a $(1,1,1,1)^3$ design on the commuting variables a_1, a_2, a_3, a_4 and hence a $(1,1,1,1)^4$ design on the variables a, b, c, d .

The orthogonality within the $(1,1,1,1)^3$ design is established by construction. The orthogonality of the $(1,1,1,1)^4$ design is obtained by using the extra property that $a_i \cdot a_j = 0$ for all $i \neq j$.

To obtain the $(1,1,1,1)^{k+1}$ design we assume the existence of the $(1,1,1,1)^j$ design for every $j \leq k$ made by the construction. Now we have by construction a $(1,1,1,1)^k$ design whose hyper-rows, c_i , $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ comprise objects which are the hyper-rows of the $(1,1,1,1)^{k-1}$ design. We now write down the hyper-rows of each of the four hyper-planes containing these rows as the columns of a 4×4 matrix, D . By the construction D is an orthogonal design of type $(1,1,1,1)$ whose objects are the c_i . We now complete D to form a $(1,1,1,1)^3$ design, E , with objects c_i . Now E is a $(1,1,1,1)^{k+1}$ design whose orthogonality is guaranteed by the existence assumption.

In fact at all stages of the construction propriety was completely preserved. Hence we have shown

THEOREM 2. *There exist higher-dimensional orthogonal designs of type $(1,1,1,1)^n$ and side 4 for every dimension $n \geq 0$ with propriety $(2,2,\dots,2)$*

Using the results of [2], we can now say

COROLLARY 3. *Let t be the order of 4-Williamson matrices. Then there is a higher-dimensional Hadamard matrix of order $(4t)^t$. In particular there are higher-dimensional Hadamard matrices of order $(4t)^t$ for all odd $t < 100$ except possibly 35, 39, 47, 53, 59, 65, 67, 71, 73, 77, 83, 89. All these matrices have propriety $(2,2,\dots,2)$*

n-dimensional Hadamard matrices from difference sets

Let $H = (h_{ij})$ be any Hadamard matrix of side h which can be defined by a function of the form

$$h_{ij} = \gamma(\alpha(i) + \alpha(j)),$$

where α is 1:1 and onto, so that

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_i h_{ai} h_{bi} &= h \delta_{ab} = \sum_i \gamma(\alpha(a) + \alpha(i)) \gamma(\alpha(b) + \alpha(i)) \\
&= \sum_k \gamma(k) \gamma(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a) + k) \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

Example: Any Hadamard matrix that can be obtained from abelian group difference set is of this form.

THEOREM 4. Let $H = (h_{ij})$ of side h be an Hadamard matrix of the type described above. Define $G = (g_{pqr\dots s})$ of side h and dimension n by

$$g_{pqr\dots ts} = h_{p+q+r+\dots+t, s}.$$

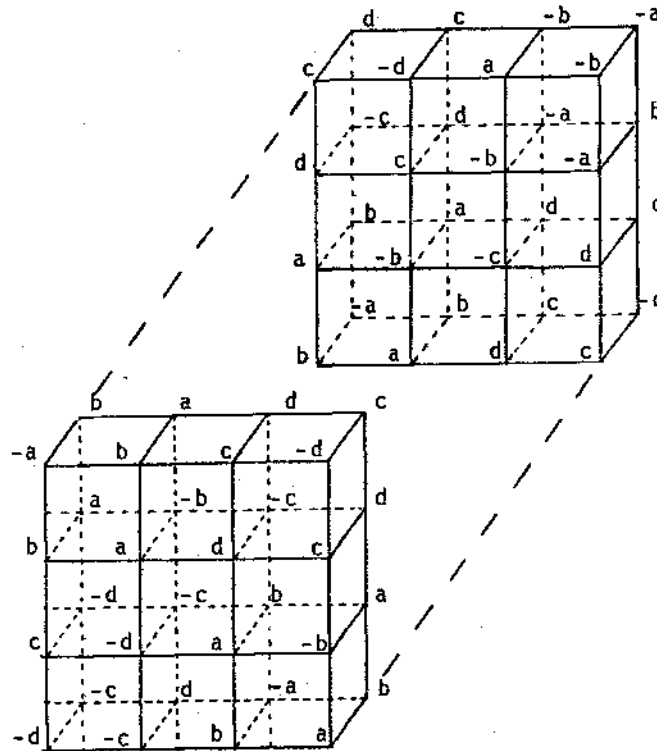
Then G is a proper Hadamard matrix of side h and dimension n .

Proof. We need to show any 2-dimensional face is an Hadamard matrix. We let the cth coordinate have two fixed values a and b and let the dth coordinate take the values $i = 1, \dots, h$. We now fix all other coordinates and consider

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_i g_{pqr\dots a\dots i\dots ts} g_{pqr\dots b\dots i\dots ts} \\
&x = \text{sum of all subscripts except } cth, dth \text{ and last} \\
&= \sum_i h_{x+a+i, s} h_{x+b+i, s} \\
&= \sum_i \gamma(\alpha(x) + \alpha(a) + \alpha(i) + \alpha(s)) \gamma(\alpha(x) + \alpha(b) + \alpha(i) + \alpha(s)) \\
&= \sum_k \gamma(k) \gamma(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a) + k) \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

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The orthogonal design of type $(1,1,1,1)^3$