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Suppose a square matrix $A = (a_{ij})$ of side n has the property that the entry in position (i, j) always equals the entry in position $(i+1, j+1)$, where these coordinates are reduced modulo n if necessary. Then the matrix is completely determined by its first row; in fact if $T = T_n = (t_{ij})$ is the $n \times n$ matrix defined by

$$\begin{aligned} t_{i,i+1} &= 1, & i &= 1, 2, \dots, n-1, \\ t_{n,1} &= 1, \\ t_{i,j} &= 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{aligned}$$

then A can be written

$$A = \sum_{j=1}^n a_{1j} T^{j-1}.$$

We say A is a *circulant* matrix, formed by *circulating* the row

$$(a_{11}, a_{12}, \dots, a_{1n}).$$

Similarly, if P is an $n \times n$ array of $m \times m$ submatrices P_{ij} where $P_{i+1, j+1} = P_{ij}$ (subscripts reduced modulo n), that is

$$P = \sum_{j=1}^n T^{j-1} \times P_{1j}$$

(where \times denotes Kronecker product), we shall say P is formed by circulating

$$(P_{11}, P_{12}, \dots, P_{1n}).$$

We denote by R a square back-diagonal matrix whose order shall be determined by context: if $R = (r_{ij})$ is of order n then

$$\begin{aligned} r_{ij} &= 1, & \text{when } i + j &= n + 1, \\ r_{ij} &= 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{aligned}$$

We consider a set of four $n \times n$ arrays $X, Y, Z,$ and W which are formed by circulating their first rows; the entries shall be $m \times m$ matrices chosen from a set of four matrices $\{A, B, C, D\}$.

LEMMA 1. *If $A, B, C,$ and D commute in pairs then $X, Y, Z,$ and W commute in pairs.*

In particular, Lemma 1 is satisfied if $A, B, C,$ and D are circulant.

LEMMA 2. *If S and P are chosen from $\{X, Y, Z, W\}$ and if $A, B, C,$ and D are circulant matrices then*

$$SRP^T = PRS^T. \quad (1)$$

Proof. It is known (see [6]) that equation (1) would hold if S and P were circulant. In particular

$$E_i R F_j^T = F_j R E_i^T$$

when E_i and F_j belong to $\{A, B, C, D\}$, and

$$T^i R T^{n-j} = T^j R T^{n-i}.$$

If we write

$$S = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} T^i \times E_i, \quad P = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} T^j \times F_j,$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
 SRP^T &= \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (T^i \times E_i) R(T^{n-j} \times F_j^T) \\
 &= \sum \sum (T^i \times E_i)(R \times R)(T^{n-j} \times F_j^T) \\
 &= \sum \sum (T^i R T^{n-j} \times E_i R F_j^T) \\
 &= \sum \sum (T^j R T^{n-i} \times F_j R E_i^T) \\
 &= PRS^T.
 \end{aligned}$$

Suppose

$$XX^T + YY^T + ZZ^T + WW^T = I_n \times n(AA^T + BB^T + CC^T + DD^T). \tag{2}$$

Then it is easy to verify that the matrix

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} X & YR & ZR & WR \\ -YR & X & -W^T R & Z^T R \\ -ZR & W^T R & X & -Y^T R \\ -WR & -Z^T R & Y^T R & X \end{bmatrix}$$

(which is a form of block-matrix introduced by Goethals and Seidel in [2]) satisfies

$$HH^T = nI_{4n} \times (AA^T + BB^T + CC^T + DD^T) \tag{3}$$

provided that $X, Y, Z,$ and W pairwise commute and pairwise satisfy (1).

LEMMA 3. *If $A, B, C,$ and D are such that $AB^T, AC^T, AD^T, BC^T, BD^T,$ and CD^T are symmetric, then the first rows*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(C, A, -A, -B, -B, A, D) && \text{for } X, \\
 &(-D, -B, B, -A, -A, -B, C) && \text{for } Y, \\
 &(-A, C, -C, D, D, C, B) && \text{for } Z, \\
 &(B, -D, D, C, C, -D, A) && \text{for } W
 \end{aligned}$$

give matrices which satisfy (2) for the case $n = 7,$ the first rows

$$\begin{aligned}
 &(C, B, -A, -A, A, C, A, B, -D) && \text{for } X, \\
 &(A, -C, -D, A, B, B, -B, -D, -B) && \text{for } Y, \\
 &(A, -C, D, B, A, D, C, C, -C) && \text{for } Z, \\
 &(-B, D, C, A, -B, C, -D, -D, D) && \text{for } W
 \end{aligned}$$

give matrices which satisfy (2) for the case $n = 9$, and the first rows

$$\begin{aligned} (C, B, A, A, -A, B, -A, B, B, -B, A) & \text{ for } X, \\ (D, A, -B, -B, B, A, B, A, A, -A, -B) & \text{ for } Y, \\ (-A, D, C, C, -C, D, -C, D, D, -D, C) & \text{ for } Z, \\ (-B, C, -D, -D, D, C, D, C, C, -C, -D) & \text{ for } W \end{aligned}$$

give matrices which satisfy (2) for the case $n = 11$.

The verification is straightforward.

If $AA^T + BB^T + CC^T + DD^T = 4mI_m$ and if H has all its entries 1 or -1 , then equation (3) means that H is Hadamard. So, gathering together the foregoing results, we have the following theorem:

THEOREM 4. *If there exist square circulant $(1, -1)$ matrices A, B, C , and D of order m which satisfy*

$$AA^T + BB^T + CC^T + DD^T = 4mI$$

and are such that $AB^T, AC^T, AD^T, BC^T, BD^T$, and CD^T are symmetric, then there are Hadamard matrices of orders $28m, 36m$, and $44m$.

Matrices A, B, C , and D satisfying the conditions of Theorem 4 were previously used to construct Hadamard matrices of orders $4m$ [11], $12m$ [1], and $20m$ (unpublished result of L. R. Welch, communicated to the author by L. D. Baumert). They are known to exist when m is a member of the set

$$M = \{3, 5, 7, \dots, 29, 37, 43\}$$

[3], and when $2m - 1$ is a prime power congruent to 1 modulo 4 [4, 10].

COROLLARY 5. *There exist Hadamard matrices of orders $28m, 36m$, and $44m$ whenever $m \in M$.*

COROLLARY 6. *There exist Hadamard matrices of orders $14(q + 1)$, $18(q + 1)$, and $22(q + 1)$ whenever q is a prime power congruent to 1 modulo 4.*

This gives Hadamard matrices of twenty-two orders less than 4000 for which no matrices were previously known, namely,

$$\begin{aligned} & 476, 532, 836, 1012, 1036, 1100, 1148, 1276, 1364, 1372, 1476, \\ & 1672, 1836, 2024, 2052, 2156, 2212, 2380, 2484, 2508, 2548, \\ & 2716, 3036, 3476, 3892. \end{aligned}$$

A conference matrix N is a $(0, 1, -1)$ matrix with zero diagonal and every other element $+1$ or -1 which satisfies

$$NN^T = (n - 1)I_n, \quad NJ = 0, \quad N^T = eN, \quad e = \pm 1,$$

where J is the matrix with every element $+1$. These are discussed in [5, 7, 8, 9] where they are sometimes called n -type and skew-Hadamard matrices. Some of Turyn's constructions for complex Hadamard matrices are equivalent to conference matrices when $n \equiv 2(\text{mod } 4)$.

Symmetric conference matrices are known to exist for orders $p + 1$ when $p \equiv 1(\text{mod } 4)$ is a prime power and $(h - 1)^2 + 1$ when h is the order of a skew-Hadamard matrix. The skew-Hadamard matrices (skew-symmetric conference matrices) are listed in [7, 8, 9] but in particular they exist for orders $p + 1, p \equiv 3(\text{mod } 4)$, a prime power.

Then we have:

THEOREM 7. Let

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$

and let N be the core of a conference matrix of order n ; if A, B, C, D are four $(1, -1)$ matrices which pairwise satisfy $XY^T = YX^T$ and if

$$AA^T + BB^T + CC^T + DD^T = 4mI_m$$

then

$$H = A_1 \times N \times A + A_1 \times I \times B + A_2 \times N \times -B + A_2 \times I \times A \\ + A_3 \times N \times C + A_3 \times I \times D + A_4 \times N \times -D + A_4 \times I \times C$$

is an Hadamard matrix of order $4mn$.

COROLLARY 8. Let p be any prime power and $m \in M$; then there exists an Hadamard matrix of order $4m(p + 1)$.

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