# Two Infinite Families of Symmetric Hadamard Matrices

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#### Abstract

A construction method for orthogonal  $\pm 1$  matrices based on a variation of the Williamson array called the *propus array* 

gives symmetric propus-Hadamard matrices.

We show that for

- $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , a prime power, symmetric propus-Hadamard matrices exist for order 2(q+1); and
- $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , a prime power, and  $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$  a prime power or the order of the core of a symmetric conference matrix (this happens for q = 89) symmetric propus-type Hadamard matrices of order 4(2q+1) exist.

We give constructions to find symmetric propus-Hadamard matrices for 57 orders  $4n,\ n<200$  odd.

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## 1 Introduction

Hadamard matrices arise in statistics, signal processing, masking, compression, combinatorics, weaving, spectroscopy and other areas. They been studied extensively. Hadamard showed [13] the order of an Hadamard matrix must be 1, 2 or a multiple of 4. Many constructions for  $\pm 1$  matrices and similar matrices such as Hadamard matrices, weighing matrices, conference matrices and D-optimal designs use skew and symmetric Hadamard matrices in their construction. For more details see Seberry and Yamada [29].

An Hadamard matrix of order n is an  $n \times n$  matrix with elements  $\pm 1$  such that  $HH^{\top} = H^{\top}H = nI_n$ , where  $I_n$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix and  $\top$  stands for transposition. A skew Hadamard matrix H = I + S has  $S^{\top} = -S$ . For more details see the books and surveys of Jennifer Seberry (Wallis) and others [29, 33] cited in the bibliography.

Theorems of the type for every odd integer n there exists a t dependent on n so that Hadamard, regular Hadamard, co-cyclic Hadamard and some full orthogonal designs exist for all orders  $2^t n$ , t integer are known [36, 37, 38, 39]. A similar result for symmetric Hadamard and skew-Hadamard matrices has not yet been published but is conjectured.

The Propus construction is a construction method using orthogonal  $\pm 1$  matrices, A, B = C, and D, where

$$AA^{\mathsf{T}} + 2BB^{\mathsf{T}} + DD^{\mathsf{T}} = \text{constant } I,$$

I the identity matrix, called propus matrices, based on the array

to construct symmetric Hadamard matrices.

We give methods to find propus-Hadamard matrices: using Williamson matrices and D-optimal designs. These are then generalized to allow non-circulant symmetric matrices with the same aim to give symmetric Hadamard matrices.

We show that for

- $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , a prime power, the required matrices exist for order  $t = \frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ , and thus symmetric Hadamard matrices of order 2(q+1);
- $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , a prime power, and  $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$  a prime power or the order of the core of a symmetric conference matrix (this happens for q = 89) the required symmetric propus-type Hadamard matrices of order 4(2q+1) exist;

- t ≡ 3 (mod 4), a prime, such that D-optimal designs, constructed using two circulant matrices, one of which must be circulant and symmetric, exist of order 2t, then such symmetric Hadamard matrices exist for order 4t.
- $4 \{t; s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4; \frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 s_i(s_i-1)}{t-1}\}$  sds,  $4t = a^2 + b^2 + c^2 + d^2$ ,  $a \equiv b = c \equiv d \equiv t \pmod{4}$ ,  $a = 2s_1 t, b = 2s_2 t$ ,  $c = 2s_3 t$ ,  $d = 2s_4 t$ , where one of the supplementary difference sets is symmetric then such symmetric Hadamard matrices exist for order 4t.

We note that appropriate Williamson type matrices may also be used to give propus-Hadamard matrices but do not pursue this avenue in this paper. There is also the possibility that this propus construction may lead to some insight into the existence or non-existence of symmetric conference matrices for some orders. We refer the interested reader to mathscinet.ru/catalogue/propus/.

## 1.1 Definitions and Basics

Two matrices X and Y of order n are said to be amicable if  $XY^{\mathsf{T}} = YX^{\mathsf{T}}$ .

We define the following classes of propus like matrices. We note that there are slight variations in the matrices which allow variant arrays and non-circulant matrices to be used to give symmetric Hadamard matrices. All propus like matrices A, B = C, D are  $\pm 1$  matrices of order n satisfy the additive property

$$AA^{\mathsf{T}} + 2BB^{\mathsf{T}} + DD^{\mathsf{T}} = 4nI_n, \tag{1}$$

I the identity matrix, J the matrix of all ones.

We consider the following classes of  $\pm 1$  of order n:

- propus matrices: four circulant symmetric  $\pm 1$  matrices, A, B, B, D of order n, satisfying the additive property (use P);
- propus-type matrices: four pairwise amicable  $\pm 1$  matrices, A, B, B, D of order n,  $A^{\mathsf{T}} = A$ , satisfying the additive property (use P);
- generalized-propus matrices: four pairwise commutative  $\pm 1$  matrices, A, B, B, D of order  $n, A^{\top} = A$ , which satisfy the additive property (use GP).

We use two types of arrays into which to plug the propus like matrices: the Propus array, P, or the generalized-propus array, GP. These can also be used with generalized matrices ([32]).

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} A & B & B & D \\ B & D & -A & -B \\ B & -A & -D & B \\ D & -B & B & -A \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad GP = \begin{bmatrix} A & BR & BR & DR \\ BR & D^{\mathsf{T}}R & -A & -B^{\mathsf{T}}R \\ BR & -A & -D^{\mathsf{T}}R & B^{\mathsf{T}}R \\ DR & -B^{\mathsf{T}}R & B^{\mathsf{T}}R & -A. \end{bmatrix}.$$

## 2 Symmetric Propus-Hadamard Matrices

We first give the explicit statements of two well known theorem, Paley's Theorem [27], for the Legendre core Q, and Turyn's Theorem [30], in the form in which we will use them.

**Theorem 1.** [Paley's Legendre Core [27]] Let p be a prime power, either  $\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  or  $\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  then there exists a matrix, Q, of order p with zero diagonal and other elements  $\pm 1$  satisfying  $QQ^{\mathsf{T}} = (q+1)I - J$ , Q is symmetric or skew-symmetric according as  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  or  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

**Theorem 2.** [Turyn's Theorem [30]] Let  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime power then there are two symmetric matrices, P and S of order  $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ , satisfying  $PP^{\mathsf{T}} + SS^{\mathsf{T}} = qI$ : P has zero diagonal and other elements  $\pm 1$  and S elements  $\pm 1$ .

## 2.1 Propus-Hadamard Matrices from Williamson Matrices

**Lemma 1.** Let  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , be a prime power, then propus matrices exist for orders  $n = \frac{1}{2}(q+1)$  which give symmetric propus-Hadamard matrices of order 2(q+1).

*Proof.* We note that for  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , a prime power, Turyn (Theorem 2 [30]) gave Williamson matrices, X + I, X - I, Y, Y, which are circulant and symmetric for orders  $n = \frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ . Then choosing

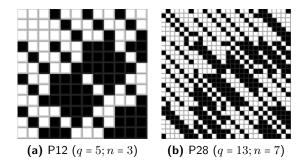
$$A = X + I, B = C = Y, D = X - I$$

gives the required propus-Hadamard matrices.

We now have propus-Hadamard matrices for orders 4n where n is in

 $\{1,3,[5],7,9,[13],15,19,21,[25],27,31,37,[41],45,49,51,55,57,59,\\ [61],[63],67,69,75,79,81,[85],87,89,91,97,99,105,111,115,117,119,121,\\ 127,129,135,139,141,[145],147,157,159,169,175,177,[181],187,195,199.\}$ 

The cases written in square brackets [5],[13],[25],[41],[61],[63],[85],[113], [145],[181] arise when q is a prime power, however the Delsarte-Goethals-Seidel-Turyn construction means the required circulant matrices also exist for these prime powers.



**Figure 1:** Propus-Hadamard matrices for orders 4q

#### 2.1.1 Propus matrices of small order and from q prime power

There are two trivial propus-Hadamard matrices of orders 12 and 20 based on A = J, B = C = D = J - 2I, for n = 3, and A = Q + I, B = C = J - 2I, D = Q - I (Q constructed using Legendre symbols) for n=5.

## 2.2 Propus-Hadamard matrices from *D*-optimal designs

**Lemma 2.** Let  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , be a prime, such that D-optimal designs, constructed using two circulant matrices, one of which is symmetric, exist for order 2n. Then propus-Hadamard matrices exist for order 4n.

Djoković and Kotsireas in [22, 8] give *D*-optimal designs, constructed using two circulant matrices, for  $n \in \{3, 5, 7, 9, 13, 15, 19, 21, 23, 25, 27, 31, 33, 37, 41, 43, 45, 49, 51, 55, 57, 59, 61, 63, 69, 73, 75, 77, 79, 85, 87, 91, 93, 97, 103, 113, 121, 131, 133, 145, 157, 181, 183}, <math>n < 200$ . We are interested in those cases where the *D*-optimal design is constructed from two circulant matrices one of which must be symmetric.

Suppose *D*-optimal designs for orders  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , a prime, are constructed using two circulant matrices, X and Y. Suppose X is symmetric. Let Q + I be the Paley matrix of order n. Then choosing

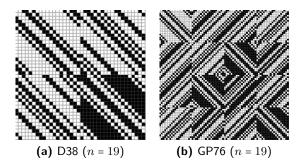
$$A = X$$
,  $B = C = Q + I$ ,  $D = Y$ ,

to put in the array GP gives the required propus-Hadamard matrices.

Hence we have propus-Hadamard matrices, constructed using D-optimal designs, for orders 4n where n is in

$${3,7,19,31}.$$

The results for n = 19 and 31 were given to us by Dragomir Djoković.



**Figure 2:** D-optimal designs for orders 2n propus-Hadamard matrices for orders 4n

## 2.3 A Variation of a Theorem of Miyamoto

In Seberry and Yamada [29] one of Miyamoto's results [25] was reformulated so that symmetric Williamson-type matrices can be obtained. The results given here are due to Miyamoto, Seberry and Yamada.

**Lemma 3** (Propus Variation). Let  $U_i$ ,  $V_j$ , i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4 be (0, +1, -1) matrices of order n which satisfy

- (i)  $U_i$ ,  $U_j$ ,  $i \neq j$  are pairwise amicable,
- (ii)  $V_i$ ,  $V_j$ ,  $i \neq j$  are pairwise amicable,
- (iii)  $U_i \pm V_i$ , (+1,-1) matrices, i = 1, 2, 3, 4,
- (iv) the row sum of  $U_1$  is 1, and the row sum of  $U_i$ , i = 2, 3, 4 is zero,

(v) 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{4} U_i U_i^T = (2n+1)I - 2J$$
,  $\sum_{i=1}^{4} V_i V_i^T = (2n+1)I$ .

Let  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$ ,  $S_3$ ,  $S_4$  be four (+1,-1)-matrices of order 2n defined by

$$S_j = U_j \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + V_j \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $S_2 = S_3$ .

Then there are 4 propus-Williamson type matrices of order 2n + 1. If  $U_i$  and  $V_i$  are symmetric, i = 1, 2, 3, 4 then the Williamson-type matrices are symmetric. Hence there is a symmetric propus-type Hadamard matrix of order 4(2n + 1).

*Proof.* With  $S_1$ ,  $S_2$ ,  $S_3$ ,  $S_4$ , as in the theorem enunciation the row sum of  $S_1 = 2$  and of  $S_i = 0$ , i = 2, 3, 4. Now define

$$X_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -e_{2n} \\ -e_{2n}^T & S_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad X_i = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & e_{2n} \\ e_{2n}^T & S_i \end{bmatrix}, \quad i = 2, 3, 4.$$

First note that since  $U_i$ ,  $U_j$ ,  $i \neq j$  and  $V_i$ ,  $V_j$ ,  $i \neq j$  are pairwise amicable,

$$\begin{split} S_i S_j^T &= \left( U_i \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + V_i \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \left( U_j^T \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} + V_j^T \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \\ &= U_i U_j^T \times \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + V_i V_j^T \times \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= S_i S_i^T. \end{split}$$

(Note this relationship is valid if and only if conditions (i) and (ii) of the theorem are valid.)

$$\sum_{i=1}^{4} S_i S_i^T = \sum_{i=1}^{4} U_i U_i^T \times \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 2 \\ 2 & 2 \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{i=1}^{4} V_i V_i^T \times \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -2 \\ -2 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2 \begin{bmatrix} 2(2n+1)I - 2J & -2J \\ -2J & 2(2n+1)I - 2J \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 4(2n+1)I_{2n} - 4J_{2n}$$

Next we observe

$$X_1 X_i^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 - 2n & e_{2n} \\ e_{2n}^T & -J + S_1 S_i^T \end{bmatrix} = X_i X_1^T \qquad i = 2, 3, 4,$$

and

$$X_{i}X_{j}^{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1+2n & e_{2n} \\ e_{2n}^{T} & J+S_{i}S_{j}^{T} \end{bmatrix} = X_{j}X_{i}^{T} \qquad i \neq j, \quad i, j = 2, 3, 4.$$

Further

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i=1}^4 X_i X_i^T &= \begin{bmatrix} 1+2n & -3e_{2n} \\ -3e_{2n}^T & J+S_1S_1^T \end{bmatrix} + \sum_{i=2}^4 \begin{bmatrix} 1+2n & e_{2n} \\ e_{2n}^T & J+S_iS_i^T \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 4(2n+1) & 0 \\ 0 & 4J+4(2n+1)I-4J \end{bmatrix}. \end{split}$$

Thus we have shown that  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ ,  $X_3$ ,  $X_4$  are pairwise amicable, symmetric Williamson type matrices of order 2n + 1, where  $X_2 = X_3$ . These can be used as in (ii) of Theorem using the additive property to obtain the required symmetric propus Hadamard matrix of order (4(2n + 1)).

Many powerful corollaries arose and new results were obtained by making suitable choices in the theorem. We choose  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ ,  $X_3$ ,  $X_4$  to ensure that the propus construction can be used to form symmetric Hadamard matrices of order 4(2n+1).

From Paley's theorem (Corollary 1) for  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  we use the backcirculant or type 1, symmetric matrices QR and R instead of Q and I; whereas for  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  we use the symmetric Paley core Q. If p is a prime power  $\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  we set  $U_1 = I$ ,  $U_2 = U_3 = QR$ ,  $U_4 = 0$  of order p, and if p is a prime power  $\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , we set  $U_1 = I$ ,  $U_2 = U_3 = Q$ ,  $U_4 = 0$  of order p. Hence  $\sum_{k=1}^4 U_k U_k^{\mathsf{T}} = (q+2)I - 2J$ .

From Turyn's result (Corollary 2) we set, for  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$   $V_1 = P$ ,  $V_2 = V_3 = I$  and  $V_4 = S$ , and for  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $V_1 = P$ ,  $V_2 = V_3 = R$  and  $V_4 = S$ , so  $\sum_{k=1}^4 V_k V_k^{\mathsf{T}} = (q+2)I$ .

Hence we have:

**Corollary 1.** Let  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  be a prime power and  $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$  be a prime power or the order of the core of a symmetric conference matrix (this happens for q = 89). Then there exist symmetric Williamson type matrices of order 2q + 1 and a symmetric propus-type Hadamard matrix of order 4(2q + 1).

Using q=5 and q=41 gives the previously unresolved cases for 11 and 83.

## 2.3.1 Three Equal

The two starting Hadamard matrices of orders 12 and 28 based on the skew Paley core B = C = D = Q + I (constructed using Legendre symbols) are unique and finite because  $12 = 3^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2$  and  $28 = 5^2 + 1^2 + 1^2 + 1^2$  and these are the only orders for which a symmetric circulant A can exist with B = C = D.

# 3 Propus-Hadamard matrices from conference matrices: even order matrices

A powerful method to construct propus-Hadamard matrices for n even is using conference matrices.

**Lemma 4.** Suppose M is a conference matrix of order  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ . Then  $MM^{\top} = M^{\top}M = (n-1)I$ , where I is the identity matrix and  $M^{\top} = M$ . Then using A = M + I, B = C = M - I, D = M + I gives a propus-Hadamard matrix of order 4n.

We use the conference matrix orders from [1] and so have propus-Hadamard matrices of orders 4n where  $n \in$ 

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\{6, 10, 14, 18, 26, 30, 38, 42, 46, 50, 54, 62, 74, 82, 90, 98\}.
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Conference matrices can be constructed using made two circulant matrices A and B of order n where both A and B are symmetric.

Then using the matrices A + I, B = C and D = A - I in P gives the required construction.

The conference matrices can also be made from two circulant matrices A and B of order n where both A and B are symmetric. However here we use A + I, BR = CR and D = A - I in P to obtain the required construction. There is another variant of this family which uses the symmetric Paley cores A = Q + I, D = Q - I (constructed using Legendre symbols) and one circulant matrix of maximal determinant B = C = Y.

## 4 Conclusion and Future Work

Using the results of Lemma 1 and Corollary 1 and the symmetric propus-Hadamard matrices of Di Matteo, Djoković, and Kotsireas given in [4], we see that the unresolved cases for symmetric propus-Hadamard matrices for orders 4n, n < 200 odd, are where  $n \in$ 

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\{17, 23, 29, 33, 35, 39, 47, 53, 65, 71, 73, 77, 93, 95, 97, 99, \\101, 103, 107, 109, 113, 125, 131, 133, 137, 143, 149, 151, 153, 155, \\161, 163, 165, 167, 171, 173, 179, 183, 185, 189, 191, 193, 197.\}
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There are many constructions and variations of the propus theme to be explored in future research. Visualizing the propus construction gives aesthetically pleasing examples of propus-Hadamard matrices. The visualization also makes the construction method clearer. There is the possibility that these visualizations may be used for quilting.

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