

Complex Hadamard Matrices and Weighing Matrices

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ABSTRACT

It is shown that a weighing matrix can be obtained from any quaternary complex Hadamard matrix as well as from two suitable disjoint weighing matrices. It is also shown that Hadamard and complex Hadamard matrices can be obtained from complex weighing matrices. Weighing matrices can be regarded as ternary orthogonal code. Here rows of the matrix are taken as code words.

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1. INTRODUCTION

We begin with following definitions and basic facts:

(i) A **Hadamard matrix (or an H-matrix)** is an $n \times n$ matrix H with entries $+1, -1$ such that $HH^T = nI_n$, where I_n is the $n \times n$ identity matrix. If H-matrix of order n exists, $n=1, 2$ or $4t$, where t is a positive integer.

(ii) Some generalizations of H-matrix:

(a) A **complex H-matrix** is an $n \times n$ matrix $H = [H_{ij}]$, where H_{ij} are complex numbers with $|H_{ij}| = 1$ for $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$, satisfying $HH^* = nI_n$ where I_n is the identity matrix and H^* denotes the Hermitian transpose of H . A complex H-matrix is called dephased or normal if elements of its first row and column are 1.

(b) A **Butson H-matrix (vide Butson[5])** is an $n \times n$ complex H-matrix with elements belonging to the set of m th roots of 1 and is denoted as $BH(m, n)$. $BH(4, n)$ containing all of $\pm 1, \pm i$ is named as a quaternary complex Hadamard matrix by Horadam[11].

(c) **Weighing matrix :** A weighing matrix $W = W(n, w)$ of order n and weight w is an $n \times n$ $(0, 1, -1)$ -matrix such that $WW^t = wI$, where W^t stands for transpose of W .

A **conference matrix of order n** is a weighing matrix $W(n, n-1)$ with zeroes on the diagonal.

Example : Consider the following matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & + & + & + & + & + & + & + \\ + & 0 & + & + & - & + & - & - \\ + & + & + & - & + & - & - & 0 \\ + & + & - & + & - & - & 0 & + \\ + & - & + & - & - & 0 & + & + \\ + & + & - & - & 0 & + & + & - \\ + & - & - & 0 & + & + & - & + \\ + & - & 0 & + & + & - & + & - \end{pmatrix}$$

This is a symmetric weighing matrix $W(8, 7)$ but not a conference matrix.

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(d) Complex weighing matrix

A matrix W of order n with entries $0, \pm 1, \pm i$ is called a complex weighing matrix if $WW^t = kI_n$, where W^t stands for Hermitian conjugate of W and k is a positive integer.

(iii) disjoint weighing matrices

Two real or complex weighing matrices $W_1 = [m_{ij}]$ and $W_2 = [n_{ij}]$, will be called disjoint if

$$\begin{cases} m_{ij} \neq 0 \Rightarrow n_{ij} = 0 \\ n_{ij} \neq 0 \Rightarrow m_{ij} = 0 \end{cases}$$

For the introduction to Hadamard matrices we refer to Hall[9], Hedayat, et al[10] Azaian[1] and to Horadam[11] for their generalizations. For tables of H-matrices vide Hall[9] and Seberry's website[16].

Turyan[17] and Wallis[18] constructed infinite families of complex Hadamard matrices. Circulant Complex Hadamard matrices were studied by, Arasu, et al [3]. Gysin and Seberry [12] forwarded methods of constructing $W(4n, 4n-2)$ and $W(4n, 2n-1)$ using conference matrices, Golay sequences and cyclotomy. Gysin and Seberry [13] obtained weighing matrices through linear combinations of generalized cosets and Craigen[6] studied weighing matrices of large weights.. Arasu, et al [2] constructed Circulant weighing matrices of weight 2^a . The present paper was motivated by the half-full conjecture quoted by Gysin and Seberry[12] as well as Craigen[7] which states that a weighing matrix $W(4n, 2n)$ exists for every n . This conjecture have been verified for $2n \leq 212$ (vide Craigen[7]) The theorem 2 of this paper shows that this conjecture is implied by another conjecture quoted by Wallis in [18] which states that a Butson Hadamard matrix $BH(4, 2n)$ exists for every n .

Hadamard matrices from weighing matrices were constructed by Craigen and Kharaghani [8]. For Complex weighing matrices we refer to Berman [4] and Seberry[14,15].

Complex Hadamard matrices have applications in quantum information theory and quantum tomography.

Recently weighing matrices have been found much beneficial to engineers working with satellite and digital communications. They have been found to have many similarities with perfect ternary arrays, and these arrays have been implemented in our digital communications.

The purpose of the paper is to forward simple constructions for some of these matrices so that they can be used by engineers.

2 (i) Construction of a new weighing matrix from two disjoint weighing matrices:

Theorem 1: If W_1 and W_2 are disjoint $n \times n$ weighing matrices of weights k_1 and k_2 respectively, then

$$W = \begin{pmatrix} W_1 + W_2 & W_1 - W_2 \\ W_1^t - W_2^t & -W_1^t - W_2^t \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

is a weighing matrix $W(2n, 2(k_1 + k_2))$.

Proof: We have

$$\begin{aligned} WW^t &= \begin{pmatrix} W_1 + W_2 & W_1 - W_2 \\ W_1^t - W_2^t & -W_1^t - W_2^t \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} W_1^t + W_2^t & W_1^t - W_2^t \\ W_1^t - W_2^t & -W_1^t - W_2^t \\ 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 2(W_1W_1^t + W_2W_2^t) & (W_1^2 - W_2^2) - (W_1^2 - W_2^2) \\ 0 & 2(W_1W_1^t + W_2W_2^t) \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 2(k_1 I_n + k_2 I_n) & 0 \\ 0 & 2(k_1 I_n + k_2 I_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= 2(k_1 + k_2) I_{2n}$$

Therefore, $W = W(2n, 2(k_1 + k_2))$.

Corollary: If $k_1 + k_2 = n$, then $W(2n, 2n)$ is a Hadamard matrix of order $2n$.

(ii) Construction of weighing matrix from the Butson Hadamard matrix $B(4, 2n)$

Theorem 2 For a Butson Hadamard matrix $B(4, 2n)$, there exists a weighing matrix $W(4n, 2n)$ of order $4n$ and weight $2n$.

Proof: Let S be the algebra of 2×2 matrices of the form

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$$

over the real field R . Let C be algebra of complex numbers over R . Then the mapping $\phi : C \rightarrow S$

which carries $a + ib$ into the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$ is an algebra isomorphism which gives faithful representation

of complex number $a + ib$ by the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$

In this representation 1 can be represented by $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

and i can be represented by $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$.

This isomorphism can be extended to the algebra of complex matrices to the algebra of real matrices by the mapping f which carries a complex matrix $M = [a_{jk} + ib_{jk}]$ of order $2n$ to a real matrix $f(M) = [\phi(a_{jk} + ib_{jk})]$ of order $4n$.

i.e. $f(M)$ can be obtained from M by replacing the entry $a + ib$ in M by the block $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$.

The isomorphism takes into account not only addition, usual product and multiplication by scalars but also unary operation of conjugation. Conjugate of $(a + ib)$ corresponds to transpose of the matrix $\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ -b & a \end{pmatrix}$ under the isomorphism.

In particular, if we replace 1 by $\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$, -1 by $\begin{pmatrix} -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$, i by $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $-i$ by $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ in

$B = BH(4, 2n)$, we get a block matrix W of order $4n$ where blocks are the above 2×2 matrices. Hence WW^t is the

matrix whose diagonal blocks are $2n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ and non-

diagonal blocks are $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

i.e. $WW^t = 2nI_{4n}$.

Thus W is the required weighing matrix.

Illustration : Consider the matrix $BH(4, 4) =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & i & -1 & -i \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & -i & -1 & i \end{bmatrix}$$

which produces

The weighing matrix $W(4, 8) =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Gysin and Seberry [12] made nearly half-full weighing matrix conjecture which states that a weighing matrix $W(4n, 2n-1)$ exists for every positive integer n . They constructed a finite number of such weighing matrices. Our technique is capable of constructing some infinite classes of weighing matrices by simple replacements, supporting half-full conjecture.

3. COMPLEX H-MATRIX FROM COMPLEX WEIGHING MATRICES

Theorem 3: If there are two disjoint weighing matrices W_1, W_2 with entries $0, \pm 1, \pm i$ of order n and weights k_1, k_2 such that $k_1 + k_2 = n$, then

$$\begin{pmatrix} W_1 + W_2 & W_1 - W_2 \\ W_1^t - W_2^t & -W_1^t - W_2^t \end{pmatrix}$$

is a complex Hadamard matrix of order $2n$ if W^t stands for Hermitian conjugate of W .

Proof is analogous to that of theorem 1.

4. CONCLUSION

It is shown that a weighing matrix can be obtained from any quaternary complex Hadamard matrix as well as from two suitable disjoint weighing matrices. Since infinitely many $BH(4, 2n)$ are known (vide Turyn [17] and Wallis [18]), it follows that infinitely many weighing matrices $W(4n, 2n)$ can be constructed by theorem 2. It is also shown that Hadamard and complex Hadamard

matrices can be obtained from certain disjoint weighing and complex weighing matrices respectively.

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