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## Derived and residual Sylvester-Hadamard designs and the Smith normal form

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**Abstract:** We computed the Smith normal form of Sylvester-Hadamard designs and its complement, their derived and residual Sylvester-Hadamard designs and their complementary derived and residual Sylvester-Hadamard designs.

**Key words:** Sylvester-Hadamard design, Smith normal form, derived, residual designs

### 1. Preliminaries

The  $p$ -ranks of Sylvester-Hadamard designs play an important role in shift registers and pseudo-noise matrices [1]. In this article by finding the Smith normal form we completely solve this problem, give formulas for their derived and residual Sylvester-Hadamard designs and their complementary derived and residual Sylvester-Hadamard designs.

By a balanced incomplete block design (*BIBD*) with parameters  $(v, b, r, k, \lambda)$  we mean an arrangement of  $v$  treatments into  $b$  subsets of these treatments called “blocks”, such that

- (i) each block consists of  $k$  distinct treatments;
- (ii) each treatment occurs in  $r$  different blocks;
- (iii) each pair of distinct treatments occur together in  $\lambda$  different blocks.

The following equations are satisfied by any *BIBD*:

$$vr = bk \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda(v - 1) = r(k - 1)$$

A *BIBD* is said to be symmetric if  $v = b$  and in consequence  $r = k$ . We call such a design a  $(v, k, \lambda)$  design.

Existence of a  $(v, k, \lambda)$  design implies the existence of its derived and residual design with parameters  $(k, b - 1, r - 1, \lambda, \lambda - 1)$  and  $(v - k, b - 1, r, k - \lambda, \lambda)$ , respectively. They are obtained, respectively, by deleting a block of the  $(v, k, \lambda)$  design retaining all the treatments in  $b - 1$  blocks that appear (or do not appear) in the deleted block.

If  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_v$  and  $B_1, B_2 \dots B_b$  denote the treatments and blocks of the *BIBD* respectively then the incidence matrix  $N = (n_{ij})$  of the design is defined by

$$n_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } b_j \in B_i ; \\ 0, & \text{if } b_j \notin B_i. \end{cases}$$

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If  $N^T$  denotes the transpose of  $N$  then  $N^T N = (r - \lambda)I + \lambda J$ , where  $I$  is the identity matrix of order  $v$  and  $J$  is the square matrix of order  $v$  with all elements 1.

For any BIBD with incidence matrix  $N$  there exists the complementary design with parameters  $(v, b, b - r, v - k, b - 2r + \lambda)$  with incidence matrix  $N^c$ , which is obtained by interchanging 0 and 1 in  $N$ .

**Integral Equivalence:** If  $A$  and  $B$  are matrices over the ring  $\mathbb{Z}$  of integers,  $A$  and  $B$  are called *equivalent* ( $A \sim B$ ) if there are  $\mathbb{Z}$ -matrices  $P$  and  $Q$ , of determinant  $\pm 1$ , such that

$$B = PAQ,$$

which means that one can be obtained from the other by a sequence of the following operations:

- Reorder the rows,
- Negate some row,
- Add an integer multiple of one row to another,

and the corresponding column operations.

**Note:** In the next section we use block  $\mathbb{Z}$ -equivalent row or column operations.

**Smith Normal Form:** If  $A$  is any  $n$  by  $n$   $\mathbb{Z}$ -matrix, then there is a unique  $\mathbb{Z}$ -matrix

$$D = \text{diag}(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$$

such that  $A \sim D$  and

$$a_1 | a_2 | \dots | a_r, a_{r+1} = \dots = a_n = 0,$$

where the  $a_i$  are non-negative. The  $a_i$  are called *invariants factors* of  $A$  and  $D$  is the Smith normal form ( $SNF(A)$ ) of  $A$ .

A *Hadamard matrix*  $H$  of order  $m$  is an  $m$  by  $m$  matrix with elements  $\pm 1$  such that  $HH^T = mI_m$ . A *Sylvester-Hadamard matrix* of order  $2^m$  is a Hadamard matrix that can be partitioned into

$$\begin{bmatrix} H & H \\ H & -H \end{bmatrix}, \tag{1}$$

where  $H_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $H_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and

$$H_{2^m} = \begin{bmatrix} H_{2^{m-1}} & H_{2^{m-1}} \\ H_{2^{m-1}} & -H_{2^{m-1}} \end{bmatrix} = H_2 \otimes H_{2^{m-1}} \text{ for } 2 \leq m \in \mathbb{N} \text{ where } \otimes \text{ denotes the Kronecker product.}$$

### 2. Sylvester-Hadamard Matrix

We have the following theorem from [3] that gives us the Smith normal of the matrix defined in (1).

**Theorem 1.** Let  $H$  denote the Sylvester-Hadamard matrix of order  $2^m$ . Then the Smith normal form of  $H$  is

$$\text{diag}[\underbrace{1, 2, \dots, 2}_{C(m,1)}, \underbrace{4, \dots, 4}_{C(m,2)}, \underbrace{8, \dots, 8}_{C(m,3)}, \dots, \underbrace{2^{m-1}, \dots, 2^{m-1}}_{C(m,m-1)}, 2^m]$$

where  $C(m, k)$  denotes the binomial coefficients.

Without loss of generality, assume that  $H$  is of the form in (1). Then if we multiply row 1 with -1 and add row 1 to all other rows, and then subtract column 1 from all other columns, we see that  $H$  is integrally equivalent to the direct sum  $[1] \oplus (-2A) = [1] \oplus (2A)$ , where  $A$  is the incidence matrix of Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^m - 1, 2^{m-1}, 2^{m-2})$ -design. Since we have the direct sum we can state immediately the following theorem.

### 3. Sylvester-Hadamard Designs

**Theorem 1** *Let  $A$  denote the incidence matrix of the Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^m - 1, 2^{m-1}, 2^{m-2})$ -design. Then the Smith normal form of  $A$  is*

$$diag[\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{C(m,1)}, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_{C(m,2)}, \underbrace{4, \dots, 4}_{C(m,3)}, \dots, \underbrace{2^{m-2}, \dots, 2^{m-2}}_{C(m,m-1)}, 2^{m-1}]$$

### 4. Complementary Sylvester-Hadamard Designs

Before computing the Smith normal form of the Complementary Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^m - 1, 2^{m-1} - 1, 2^{m-2} - 1)$ -design we need the following two results from [2].

**Theorem 2** *Let  $A$  be the incidence matrix for a  $(v, k, \lambda)$  design with  $k$  and  $\lambda$  relatively prime and  $n = k - \lambda$ . Then  $a_1 = a_2 = 1$ ,  $a_i = n/a_{v-i+2}$  for  $3 \leq i \leq v - i$ ,  $a_v = nk$ .*

**Corollary 3** *Suppose that  $n = p^t, p$  a prime. Let  $n_j$  be the number of invariant factors of  $A$  equal to  $p^j$ ,  $0 \leq j \leq t$ . Then*

$$n_0 = n_t + 2, \quad n_j = n_{t-j}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq t - 1.$$

Now we state the theorem.

**Theorem 4** *Let  $A$  denote the incidence matrix of the Complementary Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^m - 1, 2^{m-1} - 1, 2^{m-2} - 1)$ -design. Then the Smith normal form of  $A$  is*

$$diag[\underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{C(m,1)+1}, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_{C(m,2)}, \underbrace{4, \dots, 4}_{C(m,3)}, \dots, \underbrace{2^{m-2}, \dots, 2^{m-2}}_{C(m,m-1)-1}, 2^{m-2}(2^{m-1} - 1)]$$

**Proof** Since the parameters of our design satisfy the conditions of theorem 3 we get the last term  $a_v = nk = (2^{m-1} - 1 - 2^{m-2} + 1)(2^{m-1} - 1) = 2^{m-2}(2^{m-1} - 1)$ . By using the determinant of this design and corollary 1 we get the rest of the terms in the Smith normal form.  $\square$

### 5. Derived and Residual Sylvester-Hadamard Designs

**Theorem 5** *Let  $N_1$  denote the incidence matrix of the derived design of the Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^{m+1} - 1, 2^m, 2^{m-1})$ -design. Then the Smith normal form of  $N_1$  is of the form  $SNF(N_1) = [D_1|0]$  where*

$$D_1 = diag \left[ \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{C(m,1)+1}, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_{C(m,2)}, \underbrace{4, \dots, 4}_{C(m,3)}, \dots, \underbrace{2^{m-2}, \dots, 2^{m-2}}_{C(m,m-1)}, 2^{m-1} \right]$$

**Theorem 6** Let  $N_0$  denote the the incidence matrix of residual design of the Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^{m+1} - 1, 2^m, 2^{m-1})$ -design. Then the Smith normal form of  $N_0$  is of the form  $SNF(N_0) = [D_0|0]$ , where

$$D_0 = \text{diag} \left[ \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{C(m,1)}, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_{C(m,2)}, \underbrace{4, \dots, 4}_{C(m,3)}, \dots, \underbrace{2^{m-2}, \dots, 2^{m-2}}_{C(m,m-1)}, 2^{m-1} \right].$$

**Proof** Since Sylvester-Hadamard design is transitive on points and on blocks, the incidence matrix of the Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^{m+1} - 1, 2^m, 2^{m-1})$ -design can be put in the form

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} A & \underline{0} & A \\ \hline \underline{0} & \underline{1} & \underline{1} \\ \hline A & \underline{1} & A^c \end{array} \right],$$

where  $A$  is the incidence matrix of the Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^m - 1, 2^{m-1}, 2^{m-2})$ -design,  $A^c$  the complementary design of  $A$ ,  $\underline{0}, \underline{1}$  are the column or row vectors of appropriate size with all 1's and all 0's, respectively, and  $\mathbf{0}$  is the appropriate size of the zero matrix. So the derived design takes the form

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{0} & \underline{1} \\ \hline A & A^c \end{array} \right].$$

and the residual design takes the form

$$[ A \mid A ].$$

We compute the SNF of the derived design by doing the following  $\mathbb{Z}$ -equivalent block operations:

1. Add the first block column to the second block column.
2. Then multiply the first row by -1 and add it to every other row.
3. Then swap the first block column and the second one.
4. Multiply the first column by -1 and add to every column in the first block.
5. Swap the second and the third column.

Namely, the operations we did are as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{0} & \underline{1} \\ \hline A & A^c \end{array} \right] &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{0} & \underline{1} \\ \hline A & A^c + A \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{0} & \underline{1} \\ \hline A & J \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{0} & \underline{1} \\ \hline A & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \\ \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \hline \mathbf{0} & A \end{array} \right] &\longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \underline{1} & \mathbf{0} & \underline{0} \\ \hline \underline{0} & \mathbf{0} & A \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \hline \underline{0} & A & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \hline \underline{0} & SNF(A) & \mathbf{0} \end{array} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Now the result for the derived design follows by theorem 2. Similarly, if we multiply the first column block by -1 and add it to the second block column we get

$$[ A \mid A ] \longrightarrow [ A \mid \mathbf{0} ] \longrightarrow [ SNF(A) \mid \mathbf{0} ],$$

and the result for the residual design follows by theorem 2. □

6. Derived and Residual Complementary Sylvester-Hadamard Designs

**Theorem 7** Let  $N_1^c$  denote the incidence matrix of the derived design of the complementary Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^{m+1} - 1, 2^m - 1, 2^{m-1} - 1)$ -design. Then the Smith normal form of  $N_1^c$  is of the form  $SNF(N_1^c) = [D_1^c|0]$ , where

$$D_1^c = \text{diag} \left[ \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{C(m,1)+1}, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_{C(m,2)}, \underbrace{4, \dots, 4}_{C(m,3)}, \dots, \underbrace{2^{m-2}, \dots, 2^{m-2}}_{C(m,m-1)-1}, 2^{m-2}(2^{m-1} - 1) \right].$$

**Theorem 8** Let  $N_0^c$  denote the incidence matrix of the residual design of the complementary Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^{m+1} - 1, 2^m - 1, 2^{m-1} - 1)$ -design. Then the Smith normal form of  $N_0^c$  is of the form  $SNF(N_0^c) = [D_0^c|0]$ , where

$$D_0^c = \text{diag} \left[ \underbrace{1, \dots, 1}_{C(m,1)+1}, \underbrace{2, \dots, 2}_{C(m,2)}, \underbrace{4, \dots, 4}_{C(m,3)}, \dots, \underbrace{2^{m-2}, \dots, 2^{m-2}}_{C(m,m-1)}, 2^{m-1} \right].$$

**Proof** The incidence matrix of the complementary Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^{m+1} - 1, 2^m - 1, 2^{m-1} - 1)$ -design can be put in the form

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} B & \underline{1} & B \\ \hline \underline{1} & 0 & \underline{0} \\ \hline B & \underline{0} & A \end{array} \right],$$

where  $B = A^c$  is the incidence matrix of the complementary Sylvester-Hadamard  $(2^m - 1, 2^{m-1} - 1, 2^{m-2} - 1)$ -design. So the derived design takes the form

$$[ B \mid B ].$$

and the residual design takes the form

$$\left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \hline B & A \end{array} \right]$$

We compute the SNF of the derived design by doing similar  $\mathbb{Z}$ -equivalent block operations described in the proof of theorem 6. Namely,

$$[ B \mid B ] \longrightarrow [ B \mid 0 ] \longrightarrow [ SNF(B) \mid 0 ].$$

Now the result for the derived design follows from theorem 4. Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \hline B & A \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \hline B+A & A \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \hline J & A \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} \\ \hline \underline{0} & A \end{array} \right] \\ & \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} \\ \hline \underline{0} & \underline{0} & A \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} \\ \hline \underline{0} & A & \underline{0} \end{array} \right] \longrightarrow \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \underline{1} & \underline{0} & \underline{0} \\ \hline \underline{0} & SNF(A) & \underline{0} \end{array} \right] \end{aligned}$$

and the result follows from theorem 2. □

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