# Cocyclic matrices

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### Outline









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- Let *M* be an *n* × *n* matrix with entries in a set *A*, and let *G* be a group of order *n*
- *M* is group developed over *G* if there exists a function
   φ : G → A such that

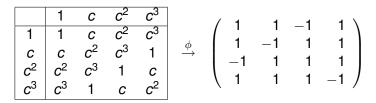
$$H = \left[\phi\left(gh\right)
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• Each row of *M* contains at most *n* different entries, and every row and column is a permutation of the first row

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#### Example: A matrix group developed from $C_4$

Let 
$$\phi(1) = \phi(c) = \phi(c^3) = 1$$
 and  $\phi(c^2) = -1$ 



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### Determining group development

- Group development is a property of matrices only up to permutation equivalence.
- Matrices are group developed if and only if the rows and columns may be permuted transitively, leaving the entries of the matrix unchanged.
- Formally: There exists a permutation subgroup of the automorphism group that acts regularly on the matrix.

# Cocycles

Let G be a group and A be an Abelian group.
 ψ : G × G → C is a cocycle if

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- The canonical extension given by  $\psi$  is  $E(\psi) = \{(g, a) | g \in G, a \in A\}$  with multiplication given by:

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### Cocyclic development

- Group development is a generalisation of cocyclic development.
- Let *M* be an *n* × *n* matrix with entries in an Abelian group, *A*, and let *G* be a group of order *n*.
- M is cocyclic over G if and only if there exists a cocycle ψ : G × G → A such that

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Relation to group development

- Suppose that *M* is cocyclic over *G*.
- Define *E<sub>M</sub>* as follows:

$$E_{M} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{1}Ma_{1} & a_{1}Ma_{2} & \dots & a_{1}Ma_{n} \\ a_{2}Ma_{1} & a_{2}Ma_{2} & \dots & a_{2}Ms_{n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n}Ma_{1} & a_{n}Ma_{2} & \dots & a_{n}Ma_{n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{i}a_{j} \end{bmatrix} \otimes M$$

Theorem: *E<sub>M</sub>* is group developed over the canonical extension of *A* by *G* given by *ψ*.

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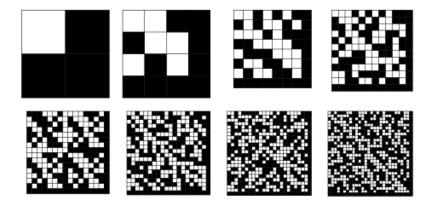
### Hadamard matrices

- A Hadamard matrix is a square  $\{\pm 1\}$ -matrix of order *n* with determinant  $n^{n/2}$ .
- Equivalently, a Hadamard matrix is one that has the property

$$HH^T = nI_n$$

- Hadamard showed that they only exist when *n* is a multiple of 4.
- He conjectured that a Hadamard matrix of order 4*n* exists for all *n* ∈ N.
- The smallest order for which existence is open is 668.

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#### Figure: Anallagmatic pavements of small order

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Hadamard matrix constructions

• Sylvester Hadamard matrices occur at orders  $2^n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

$$\otimes_n \left( \begin{array}{cc} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{array} \right)$$

- Given a Hadamard Relative Difference Set in a group of order 8n a Hadamard matrix of order 4n may be derived.
- The Paley construction generates such HRDSs from finite fields. If p<sup>a</sup> is a prime power ≈ 3 mod 4 there exists a Hadamard matrix of order p<sup>a</sup> + 1, while if p<sup>a</sup> ≈ 1 mod 4, there exists a Hadamard of order 2 (p<sup>a</sup> + 1).

# The automorphism group of a Hadamard matrix

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- Formally, *H* and *H'* lie in the same orbit under the action of Mon  $(n, {\pm 1}) \times Mon(n, {\pm 1})$ .
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# Limitations of group development

- Regular Hadamard matrices have constant row and column sums.
- Regular Hadamard matrices exist only at orders  $4n^2$ .
- Let *H* be an *s*-regular Hadamard matrix of order *n* and let *J* be the matrix consisting entirely of +1 entries. Then:

$$egin{array}{rcl} H=JH^{ op}&=&sJ\ nJ&=&JHH^{ op}\ &=&sJH^{ op}\ &=&s^2J\ n&=&s^2\end{array}$$

Thus group developed Hadamard matrices occur only at square orders.

### Cocyclic development

• A Hadamard matrix, *H*, is cocyclic developed if it is Hadamard equivalent to some *H*' where

$$H' = [\varphi(g,h)]_{g,h\in G}$$

 Given a cocycle φ that generates a Hadamard matrix, it does not follow a cohomologous cocycle generates an equivalent Hadamard matrix. Cocycles do not even preserve invertibility.

# A useful isomorphism

• Recall our definition of the expanded matrix. For a Hadamard matrix, *H*, it is defined to be

$$E_H = \left( egin{array}{cc} H & -H \ -H & H \end{array} 
ight)$$

• Let X be a monomial  $\{\pm 1\}$ -matrix. Then there exist unique matrices Y, Z such that X = Y - Z. Define

$$\theta\left(X\right) = \left(\begin{array}{cc} Y & Z \\ Z & Y \end{array}\right)$$

- Then if  $(P, Q) \in \operatorname{Aut}(H)$ ,  $(\theta(P), \theta(Q)) \in \operatorname{Aut}(E_H)$
- *E<sub>H</sub>* is not Hadamard, but it does have constant row and column sums.

### Cocyclic development

- So by our earlier theorem, *H* is cocyclic developed if and only if *E<sub>H</sub>* is group developed.
- We calculate the automorphism group of the expanded matrix of a Hadamard matrix, and search for regular subgroups containing the central subgroup (-1)
- We factor out by this central involution to find out over which groups *H* is cocyclic
- We could extract the cocycle from the extension group if we wanted to

### Sample Results

The automorphism group of the Hadamard matrix of order 12 is of order 190,080. In fact it is the Schur cover of  $M_{12}$ . It has three regular subgroups, given below.

Indexing Group	Extension Groups
$C_2^2  imes C_3$	$Q_8  imes C_3$
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$D_6$	$C_3 \rtimes Q_8$

#### Results

Order	Cocyclic	Indexing Groups	Extension Groups
2	1	1	2
4	1	2	3 / 5
8	1	3 / 5	9 / 14
12	1	3 / 5	3 / 15
16	5	13 / 14	45 / 51
20	3	2/5	3 / 14
24	18 / 60	6 / 15	15 / 52
28	6 / 487	2 / 4	2 / 13

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### Current work

- We are attempting to construct all cocyclic Hadamard matrices of order ≤ 50.
- We use a result by de Launey which states that: there is a cocyclic Hadamard matrix over *G* if and only if there is a normal relative (4*t*, 2, 4*t*, 2*t*) difference set in a central extension of (−1) by *G*, relative to (−1).
- At the moment we search for all RDSs in the groups of order 64, and the generate Hadamard matrices of order 32 from these.

# Summary

- Hadamard matrices may be developed from cocycles
- All matrices of order at most 20 have this property

- Outlook
  - The cocyclic Hadamard conjecture: Does a cocyclic Hadamard matrix exist for all orders 4n?