## Classifying cocyclic Butson Hadamard matrices

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If $k$ is prime, then $k$ must divide $n$. If $k=2, H$ is a real Hadamard matrix, and for $n>2$ it is known that $n$ is a multiple of 4 .

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\left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} r_{j} x_{j}\right)^{2}+\left(\sum_{j=0}^{k-1} s_{j} x_{j}\right)^{2}=n
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It remains to check for $\mathrm{BH}(n, p)$ s for all $(n, p) \in\{(9,3),(12,3),(18,3),(21,3),(27,3),(20,5),(14,7)\}$.

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Suppose that $|G|=n \geq 5$. Then $\Gamma$ is a faithful representation of $G$ in $\mathrm{GL}(n+r-1, p)$ where $r$ is the rank of the Sylow $p$-subgroup of $\operatorname{Hom}\left(H_{2}(G), C_{p}\right)$.

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## Theorem

There exists a cocyclic $\mathrm{BH}(n, p)$ if and only if there is a relative ( $n, p, n, n / p$ )-difference set in $E$ with central forbidden subgroup $\mathrm{C}_{p}$.

## Existence of cocyclic $\mathrm{BH}(n, p) s$

The table below summarizes existence of matrices in our classification.

| $p \backslash \frac{n}{p}$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
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N: no cocyclic Butson Hadamard matrices by non-existence theores.
E: cocyclic Butson Hadamard matrices exist.
S1: no cocyclic Butson Hadamard matrices according to an relative difference set search.
S2: no cocyclic Butson Hadamard matrices according to an orthogonal cocycle search.
F: the Fourier matrix is the only Butson Hadamard matrix.

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## Concluding comments

- All matrices found were equivalent to group developed matrices.
- Many of the classes found were previously unknown.
- Various composition techniques may be used to generate higher order Butson matrices from these ones.


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