On higher-dimensional Hadamard matrices and designs*

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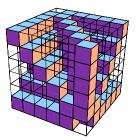
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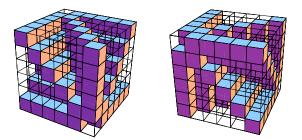
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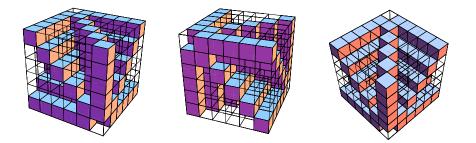
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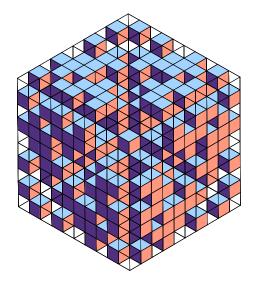
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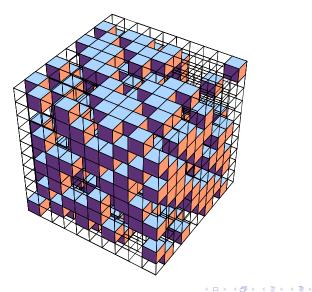
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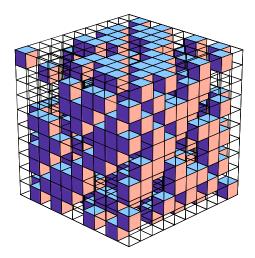
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$$H: PG(1,q)^3 \to \{1,-1\}, \ q \equiv 1 \text{ or } 3 \pmod{4},$$

$$H(x, y, z) = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } x = y = z, \\ 1, & \text{if } x = y \neq z \\ & \text{or } x = z \neq y \\ & \text{or } y = z \neq x, \end{cases}$$
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Dependencies

This package requires GAP version 4.11

https://vkrcadinac.github.io/PAG/

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Question: is there a 3-dimensional Hadamard matrix of order v = 22?

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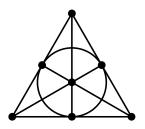
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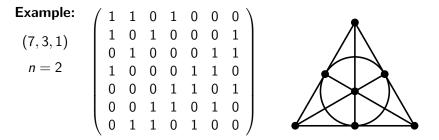
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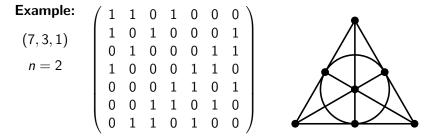
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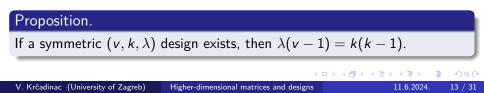


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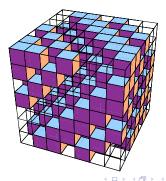
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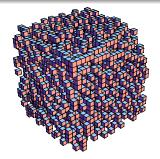
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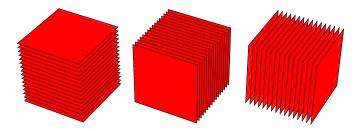
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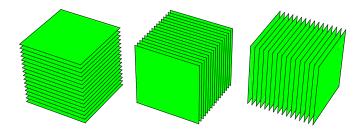


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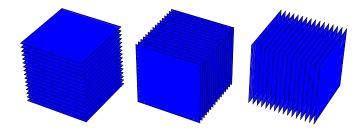


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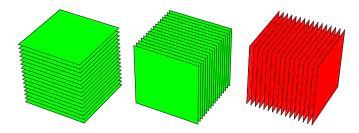
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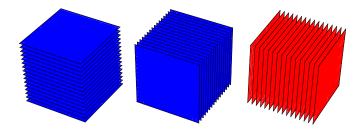


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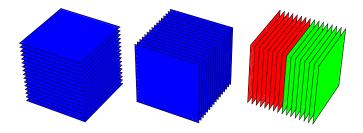


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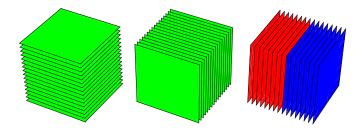


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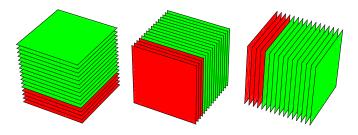
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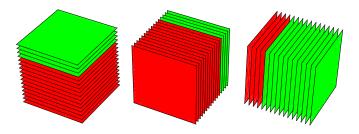


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