# On higher-dimensional Hadamard matrices and designs^ 

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$P G(1, q)=\mathbb{F}_{q} \cup\{\infty\}$

## Prescribed Automorphism Groups

## PAG

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## GAP Package PAG

The PAG package contains functions for constructing combinatorial objects with prescribed automorphism groups.

The current version of this package is version 0.2 .3 , released on 2024-05-21. For more information, please refer to the package manual. There is also a README file.

## Dependencies

This package requires GAP version 4.11
https://vkrcadinac.github.io/PAG/

## For the Open problems session

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

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