# New constructions of higher dimensional Hadamard matrices and SBIBDs* 

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such that all $(n-1)$-dimensional parallel layers are mutually orthogonal:

$$
\sum_{1 \leq i_{1}, \ldots, \hat{i}_{j}, \ldots, i_{n} \leq v} H\left(i_{1}, \ldots, a, \ldots, i_{n}\right) H\left(i_{1}, \ldots, b, \ldots, i_{n}\right)=v^{n-1} \delta_{a b}
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such that all 2-dimensional layers have orthogonal rows and columns (i.e. are Hadamard matrices in the usual sense).

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## Corollary.

If the Hadamard conjecture is true, then $n$-dimensional Hadamard matrices exist for all even orders $v$ and all $n \geq 4$.

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## Theorem (Paley, 1933)

Let $q$ be an odd prime power. If $q \equiv 3(\bmod 4)$, there is a Hadamard matrix of order $v=q+1$. If $q \equiv 1(\bmod 4)$, there is a Hadamard matrix of order $v=2(q+1)$.

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The three designs can be obtained from difference sets in some of the 14 groups of order 16 .

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## That's all!



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