

Semi-regular Sets of Matrices and Applications

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Abstract

The concept of semi-regular sets of matrices was introduced by J. Seberry in “ A new construction for Williamson-type matrices ”, *Graphs and Combinatorics*, 2(1986), 81-87. A regular s -set of matrices of order m . was first discovered by J. Seberry and A. L. Whiteman in “New Hadamard matrices and conference matrices obtained via Mathon’s construction”, *Graphs and Combinatorics*, 4(1988), 355-377. X. M. Zhang studied the product of these matrices and their applications in “ Regular sets of matrices and applications ” (to appear). In this paper, we prove that

- (i) if there exist a semi-regular s -set of order m and a semi-regular t -set of order n then there exists a semi-regular s -set of order mn when $t = sm$,
- (ii) if there exist Williamson type matrices of order n and a semi-regular $s(= 2n)$ -set of matrices of order m then there exist Williamson type matrices of order nm ,
- (iii) if there exists a complex Hadamard matrix of order $2c$ and a semi-regular $s(= 2c)$ -set of matrices of order m then there exists a complex Hadamard matrix of order $2cm$.

Williamson type matrices X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 will be called nice if $X_1 X_2^T + X_3 X_4^T = 0$, perfect if $X_1 X_2^T + X_3 X_4^T = X_1 X_4^T + X_2 X_3^T = 0$, special if $X_1 X_2^T + X_3 X_4^T = X_1 X_3^T + X_2 X_4^T = X_1 X_4^T + X_2 X_3^T = 0$. We prove that

- (iv) if there exist nice Williamson type matrices of order n and m then there exist Williamson type matrices of order nm ,
- (v) if there exist nice Williamson type matrices of order n and special Williamson matrices of order m then there exist nice Williamson type matrices of order nm ,
- (vi) if there exist special Williamson type matrices of order n and m then there exist special Williamson type matrices of order nm ,
- (vii) if there exist nice (perfect) Williamson type matrices of order n , where n is odd and $2n - 1$ is a prime power then there exist nice (perfect) Williamson matrices of order $n(2n - 1)^2$.

Let A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 be type 1 $(1, -1)$ -matrices of order n will be called tight Williamson-like matrices if $\sum_{j=1}^4 A_j A_j^T = 4nI_n$ and $A_1 A_2^T + A_2 A_1^T + A_3 A_4^T + A_4 A_3^T = 0$. We prove

- (viii) if there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n and T-matrices of order t then there exists an Hadamard matrix of order $4tn$,
- (ix) there exist two disjoint $W(2n, n)$ if there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n ,
- (x) if there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n and special Williamson type matrices of order m then there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order nm ,
- (xi) if there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n (odd) and $2n - 1$ is a prime power then there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order $n(2n - 1)^2$,
- (xii) if there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n and $4n - 1$ is a prime power then there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order $n(4n - 1)^2$.

1 Introduction and Basic Definitions

Definition 1 Suppose Q_1, \dots, Q_{2s} are $(1, -1)$ matrices of order m satisfying

$$Q_i Q_j^T = J, \quad i - j \neq 0, \pm s, \quad i, j \in \{1, \dots, 2s\}, \quad (1)$$

$$Q_i Q_{i+s}^T = Q_{i+s} Q_i^T, \quad i, j \in \{1, \dots, 2s\}, \quad (2)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2s} Q_i Q_i^T = 2smI_m. \quad (3)$$

Call $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_{2s}\}$ a *semi-regular s -set of matrices* of order m .

Definition 2 Suppose A_1, \dots, A_s are $(1, -1)$ matrices of order m satisfying

$$A_i A_j = J, \quad i, j \in \{1, \dots, s\}, \quad (4)$$

$$A_i^T A_j = A_j^T A_i = J, \quad i \neq j, \quad i, j \in \{1, \dots, s\}, \quad (5)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^s (A_i A_i^T + A_i^T A_i) = 2smI_m. \quad (6)$$

Call $\{A_1, \dots, A_s\}$ a *regular s -set of matrices* of order m if (10), (11), (12) are satisfied (see [?], [8]).

Regular sets of matrices are special case of semi-regular sets of matrices. To show this, suppose $\{A_1, \dots, A_s\}$ is a regular s -set of matrices and set $Q_j = A_j$, $Q_{j+s} = A_j^T$, $j = 1, \dots, s$. Hence $\{Q_1, \dots, Q_{2s}\}$ is a semi-regular s -set of matrices. J. Seberry [7] gave semi-regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of matrices of order q^2 , say S_1, \dots, S_{q+1} , satisfying $Q_i Q_j^T = Q_j Q_i^T = J_{q^2}$, $i \neq j$, where $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, a prime power and $(p+1)$ -set of matrices of order p^2 , for $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, a prime power. J. Seberry and A. L. Whiteman [8] proved that if $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ is a prime power there exists a regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of regular matrices of order q^2 , say A_i , $i = 1, \dots, \frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ satisfying $A_i J = J A_i = qJ$. Semi-regular sets of matrices are not as convenient as regular sets of matrices because of the equality $Q_i Q_{i+s}^T = J$ and the non-commutativity of semi-regular s -sets of matrices.

Definition 3 Four $(1, -1)$ matrices X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 of order n satisfying

$$X_1 X_1^T + X_2 X_2^T + X_3 X_3^T + X_4 X_4^T = 4n I_n$$

and

$$UV^T = VU^T,$$

where $U, V \in \{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4\}$ will be called *Williamson type matrices* of order n [?]. Circulant and symmetric Williamson matrices will be called *Williamson matrices*.

Williamson and Williamson type matrices are discussed extensively by Baumert, Miyamoto, Seberry, Whiteman, Yamada and Yamamoto ([?], [1], [20], [21], [7], [12], [6], [14], [15], [5], [19], [9]).

Definition 4 Williamson type matrices (Williamson matrices) X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 will be called *nice* if $X_1 X_2^T + X_3 X_4^T = 0$, *perfect* if $X_1 X_2^T + X_3 X_4^T = X_1 X_4^T + X_2 X_3^T = 0$, *special* if $X_1 X_2^T + X_3 X_4^T = X_1 X_3^T + X_2 X_4^T = X_1 X_4^T + X_2 X_3^T = 0$.

The concept of special Williamson matrices was introduced by Turyn [11], who found special Williamson matrices of order 9^j , for j a non-negative integer. Recently Xia [?] gave special Williamson type matrices of order $N = 9^i \prod_{j=1}^t q_j^{4r_j}$, where $q_j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, is a prime power, i, r_j are non-negative integers [?].

Definition 5 Type 1 $(1, -1)$ matrices of order n A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 will be called *tight Williamson-like matrices* if $\sum_{j=1}^4 A_j A_j^T = 4n I_n$ and $A_1 A_2^T + A_2 A_1^T + A_3 A_4^T + A_4 A_3^T = 0$.

Definition 6 Let C be a $(1, -1, i, -i)$ matrix of order c satisfying $CC^* = cI_c$, where C^* is the Hermitian conjugate of C . We call C a *complex Hadamard matrix* of order c .

From [13], any complex Hadamard matrix has order 1 or order divisible by 2. Let $C = X + iY$, where X, Y consist of $1, -1, 0$ and $X \wedge Y = 0$ where \wedge is the Hadamard product. Clearly, if C is a complex Hadamard matrix then $XX^T + YY^T = cI_c$, $XY^T = YX^T$.

Definition 7 Four type 1 (1, -1)-matrices, say T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4 of order t will be called *T-matrices* if $T_i \wedge T_j = 0$ for $i \neq j$, where \wedge is the Hadamard product, and $\sum_{j=1}^4 T_j T_j^T = tI_t$.

Notation 1 For convenience, in this paper we write $N = 9^i \prod_{j=1}^t q_j^{4r_j}$, where $q_j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ is a prime power, i, r_j are non-negative integers.

Let $M = (M_{ij})$ and $N = (N_{gh})$ be orthogonal matrices with t^2 block M-structure (see [9]) of order tm and tn respectively, where M_{ij} is of order m ($i, j = 1, \dots, t$) and N_{gh} is of order n ($g, h = 1, 2, \dots, t$). We now define the the operation \bigcirc as the following:

$$M \bigcirc N = \begin{bmatrix} L_{11} & L_{12} & \cdots & L_{1t} \\ L_{21} & L_{22} & \cdots & L_{2t} \\ & & \cdots & \\ L_{t1} & L_{t2} & \cdots & L_{tt} \end{bmatrix}$$

where M_{ij}, N_{ij} and L_{ij} are of order of m, n and mn , respectively and

$$L_{ij} = M_{i1} \times N_{1j} + M_{i2} \times N_{2j} + \cdots + M_{it} \times N_{tj},$$

where \times is Kronecker product, $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, t$. We call this the *strong Kronecker* multiplication of two matrices (see [?]).

2 Existence of Semi-Regular Sets of Matrices

The following results are known:

Theorem 1 *Let both $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ be prime powers. Then*

- (i) *there exists a semi-regular $(p+1)$ -set of matrices of order p^2 (J. Seberry [7]),*
- (ii) *there exists a semi-regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of matrices of order q^2 , say S_1, \dots, S_{q+1} , satisfying $S_i S_j^T = J$, $i \neq j$, $i, j = 1, \dots, q+1$ (J. Seberry [7], here we have changed the subscripts j to $j+1$),*
- (iii) *there exists a regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of matrices of order q^2 (J. Seberry and A. L. Whiteman [8]).*

Theorem 2 *If there exist a semi-regular s -set of matrices of order m and a semi-regular $t(= sm)$ -set of matrices of order n then there exists a semi-regular s -set of matrices of order mn .*

Proof. Let $\{A_1 = (a_{ij}^1), A_2 = (a_{ij}^2), \dots, A_{2s} = (a_{ij}^{2s})\}$ be the semi-regular s -set of matrices of order m and $\{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_{2t}\}$ be the semi-regular t -set of matrices of order n .

Define $C_i = (c_{kj}^i) = (a_{kj}^i B_{(i-1)m+j+k-1})$, $i = 1, \dots, 2s$ so that

$$C_i = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}^i B_{(i-1)m+1} & a_{12}^i B_{(i-1)m+2} & \cdots & a_{1m}^i B_{im} \\ a_{21}^i B_{(i-1)m+2} & a_{22}^i B_{(i-1)m+3} & \cdots & a_{2m}^i B_{(i-1)m+1} \\ & & \vdots & \\ a_{m1}^i B_{im} & a_{m2}^i B_{(i-1)m+1} & \cdots & a_{mm}^i B_{im-1} \end{bmatrix}.$$

For any i, j , $i - j \neq 0, \pm s$, there exist no B_u, B_v such that $u - v = \pm t$, B_u in C_i, B_v in C_j . Thus $C_i C_j = J_m \times J_n = J_{mn}$, for $i, j, i - j \neq 0, \pm s$. On the other hand, for a fixed i , write $C_i C_{i+s}^T = (D_{uv})$, where D_{uv} is of order n , $u, v = 1, \dots, m$. Obviously, $D_{uv} = J_n$, for $u \neq v$. Note $D_{uu} = \sum_{k=1}^m a_{uk}^i a_{vk}^{i+s} B_{(i-1)m+k} B_{(i+s-1)m+k}^T$. Since $B_k B_{k+s}^T = B_{k+s} B_k^T$, $D_{uu}^T = D_{uu}$. Thus $C_i C_{i+s}^T$ is symmetric i.e. $C_i C_{i+s}^T = C_{i+s} C_i^T$.

To show

$$\sum_{i=1}^{2s} C_i C_i^T = 2smn I_{mn}, \quad (7)$$

note that $(a_{kj}^i)^2 = 1$ so the diagonal element of $C_i C_i^T$ is $\sum_{j=1}^m B_{(i-1)m+j} B_{(i-1)m+j}^T$ and hence the diagonal element of $\sum_{i=1}^{2s} C_i C_i^T$ is

$$\sum_{j=1}^{2sm} B_j B_j^T = \sum_{j=1}^{2t} B_j B_j^T = 2tn I_n = 2smn I_n.$$

The off-diagonal elements of $C_i C_i^T$ are given by

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^m (a_{hj}^i a_{kj}^i B_{(i-1)m+j+h-1} B_{(i-1)m+j+k-1}^T), \quad h \neq k \\ & = \sum_{j=1}^m a_{hj}^i a_{kj}^i J. \end{aligned}$$

So the off-diagonal element of $\sum_{i=1}^s C_i C_i^T$ is zero, using

$$\sum_{i=1}^s \sum_{j=1}^m a_{hj}^i a_{kj}^i J = 0.$$

□

Corollary 1 *Let both $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ be prime powers.*

- (i) *if $(p+1)p^2 - 1$ is a prime power then there exists a semi-regular $(p+1)$ -set of matrices of $p^2((p+1)p^2 - 1)^2$,*
- (ii) *if $2(p+1)p^2 - 1$ is a prime power then there exists a semi-regular $(p+1)$ -set of matrices of $p^2(2(p+1)p^2 - 1)^2$,*
- (iii) *if $(q+1)q^2 - 1$ is a prime power then there exists a regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of matrices of $q^2((q+1)q^2 - 1)^2$,*
- (iv) *if $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)q^2 - 1$ is a prime power then there exists a semi-regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of matrices of $q^2(\frac{1}{2}(q+1)q^2 - 1)^2$.*

Proof. (i) By Theorem 1 there exists a semi-regular $(p+1)$ -set of matrices of order p^2 . Since $(p+1)p^2 - 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, by Theorem 1, there exists a semi-regular $(p+1)p^2$ -set of matrices of $((p+1)p^2 - 1)^2$. Using Theorem 2, there exists a $(p+1)$ -set of matrices of $p^2((p+1)p^2 - 1)^2$.

(ii) By Theorem 1 there exists a semi-regular $(p+1)$ -set of matrices of order p^2 . Since $2(p+1)p^2 - 1 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, By Theorem 1 there exists a semi-regular $(p+1)p^2$ -set of matrices of $(2(p+1)p^2 - 1)^2$. Using Theorem 2, there exists a $(p+1)$ -set of matrices of $p^2(2(p+1)p^2 - 1)^2$.

(iii) This is Corollary 2, [?].

(iv) By Theorem 1 there exists a semi-regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of matrices of order q^2 . Case 1, $q \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$. Then $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)q^2 - 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. By Theorem 1 there exists a semi-regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)q^2$ -set of $(\frac{1}{2}(q+1)q^2 - 1)^2$. By Theorem 2 there exists a semi-regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of matrices of $q^2(\frac{1}{2}(q+1)q^2 - 1)^2$. Case 2, $q \equiv 7 \pmod{8}$. This is Corollary 5 [?], we still have a semi-regular $\frac{1}{2}(q+1)$ -set of matrices of $q^2(\frac{1}{2}(q+1)q^2 - 1)^2$. \square

3 Williamson Type Matrices and Complex Hadamard Matrices

We find new constructions for Williamson type matrices not given by Miyamoto [5] or Seberry and Yamada [?], [9]. This theorem differs from that of Seberry [7] as it does not need regular sets of regular matrices.

Theorem 3 *If there exist Williamson type matrices of order n and a semi-regular $s(= 2n)$ -set of matrices of order m then there exist Williamson type matrices of order nm .*

Proof. Let $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$, $C = (c_{ij})$, $D = (d_{ij})$ be the Williamson type matrices of order n and R_1, \dots, R_{2s} be the semi-regular s -set of matrices

of order m . Set $E = (a_{ij}R_{j+i-1})$, $F = (b_{ij}R_{n+j+i-1})$, $G = (c_{ij}R_{2n+j+i-1})$, $H = (d_{ij}R_{3n+j+i-1})$, where $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ and the subscripts $j + i - 1$ are reduced modulo n . By the same reasoning as in the proof for Theorem 4 [7], E, F, G, H are Williamson type matrices of order nm . \square

Corollary 2 *If n is the odd order of Williamson type matrices and $2n - 1$ is a prime power then there exist Williamson type matrices of order $n(2n - 1)^2$.*

Proof. Since n is odd, $2n - 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. By Theorem 1 there exists a semi-regular $2n$ -set of matrices of $(2n - 1)^2$. By Theorem 3 we have Williamson type matrices of order $n(2n - 1)^2$. \square

Corollary 3 (i) *There exist Williamson type matrices of order $9^k(2 \cdot 9^k - 1)^2$ if $2 \cdot 9^k - 1$ is a prime power, where k is a non-negative integer,*

(ii) *there exist Williamson type matrices of order $7 \cdot 3^k(14 \cdot 3^k - 1)^2$ if $14 \cdot 3^k - 1$ is a prime power, where k is a non-negative integer.*

Proof. From the Index of [?], there exist Williamson type matrices of order of 9^k and $7 \cdot 3^k$, where $k = 0, 1, \dots$. Using Corollary 2, the corollary is established. \square

Theorem 4 *If there exist a complex Hadamard matrix of order $2c$ and a semi-regular $s(= 2c)$ -set of matrices of order m then there exists a complex Hadamard matrix of order $2cm$.*

Proof. Let $\{ A_1, \dots, A_{2s} \}$ be the semi-regular $s(= 2c)$ -set of matrices of order m and $C = X + iY$ be the complex Hadamard matrix of order $2c$, where both X and Y are $(1, -1)$ matrices satisfying $X \wedge Y = 0$, $XX^T + YY^T = 2cI_{2c}$, $XY^T = YX^T$. Let $P = X + Y$ and $Q = X - Y$. Then both P and Q are $(1, -1)$ matrices of order $2c$ and $PP^T + QQ^T = 4cI_{2c}$, $PQ^T = QP^T$. Let $P = (p_{ij})$ and $Q = (q_{ij})$, $i, j = 1, \dots, 2c$. Set $E = (p_{ij}A_{i+j-1})$ and $F = (q_{ij}A_{s+i+j-1})$, where $i, j = 1, \dots, s$ and the subscripts $i + j - 1$ are reduced modulo s , $1, \dots, s = 2c$. Clearly, both E and F are $(1, -1)$ matrices of order $2cm$, since both P and Q are $(1, -1)$ matrices of order $2c$. We now

prove $EE^T + FF^T = 4cmI_{2cm}$. Write $E = \begin{bmatrix} E_1 \\ E_2 \\ \vdots \\ E_n \end{bmatrix}$ and $F = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 \\ F_2 \\ \vdots \\ F_n \end{bmatrix}$, where

E_i and F_i are matrices of order $m \times sm$. Note

$$E_i E_i^T + F_i F_i^T = \sum_{j=1}^s (p_{ij} p_{ij} A_{i+j-1} A_{i+j-1}^T + q_{ij} q_{ij} A_{s+i+j-1} A_{s+i+j-1}^T)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^s (A_j A_j^T + A_j A_j^T) = \sum_{j=1}^{2s} A_j A_j^T = 2smI_m.$$

On the other hand, if $i \neq k$,

$$\begin{aligned} E_i E_k^T + F_i F_k^T &= \sum_{j=1}^s (p_{ij} p_{kj} A_{i+j-1} A_{k+j-1}^T + q_{ij} q_{kj} A_{s+i+j-1} A_{s+k+j-1}^T) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^s (p_{ij} p_{kj} + q_{ij} q_{kj}) J_m = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$EE^T + FF^T = 2smI_{sm} = 4cmI_{2cm}.$$

We now prove $EF^T = FE^T$. Write $EF^T = (D_{ij})$, where D_{ij} is of order m , $i, j = 1, \dots, 2c$. Note $D_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{2c} p_{ik} q_{jk} A_{i+k-1} A_{s+j+k-1}^T$. For $i \neq j$, $D_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{2c} p_{ik} q_{jk} J_m$. Since $PQ^T = QP^T$, $D_{ij}^T = D_{ji}$, $i \neq j$. Note $D_{ii} = \sum_{k=1}^{2c} p_{ik} q_{ik} A_{i+k-1} A_{s+i+k-1}^T$. From (8), Definition 1, $D_{ii}^T = D_{ii}$. Thus EF^T is symmetric i.e. $EF^T = FE^T$. Finally, Set $U = \frac{1}{2}(E + F)$ and $V = \frac{1}{2}(E - F)$. Note both E and F are $(1, -1)$ matrices of order $2cm$ then both U and V are $(1, -1, 0)$ matrices of order $2cm$ satisfying $U \wedge V = 0$, $UU^T + VV^T = \frac{1}{2}(EE^T + FF^T) = 2cmI_{2cm}$. Since $EF^T = FE^T$, $UV^T = VU^T$. Thus $U + iV$ is a complex Hadamard matrix of order $2cm$. \square

Corollary 4 *If both $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $p^j(p+1) - 1$ are prime powers then there exists a complex Hadamard matrix of order $p^j(p+1)(p^j(p+1) - 1)^2$, where j is a positive integer.*

Proof. Obviously, $p^j(p+1) - 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. By Theorem 1 there exists a regular $p^j(p+1)$ -set of matrices of order $(p^j(p+1) - 1)^2$. From Corollary 18, [4], there exists a complex Hadamard matrix of order $p^j(p+1)$. Using Theorem 3, we have a $p^j(p+1)(p^j(p+1) - 1)^2$. \square

4 Product and New Construction of Williamson type Matrices with Additional Properties

Part (iii) of the next theorem was known to Turyn [11] but we put here for completeness.

Theorem 5 *(i) If there exist nice Williamson type matrices of order n and m then there exist Williamson type matrices of order nm ,*

(ii) if there exist nice Williamson type matrices of order n and special Williamson matrices of order m then there exist nice Williamson type matrices of order nm ,

(iii) if there exist special Williamson type matrices of order n and m then there exist special Williamson type matrices of order nm .

Proof. Let X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 be nice Williamson type matrices of order n and Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 be nice Williamson type matrices of order m . Set

$$Z_1 = \frac{1}{2}(X_1+X_2) \times Y_1 + \frac{1}{2}(X_1-X_2) \times Y_2, \quad Z_2 = \frac{1}{2}(X_1+X_2) \times Y_3 + \frac{1}{2}(X_1-X_2) \times Y_4,$$

$$Z_3 = \frac{1}{2}(X_3+X_4) \times Y_1 + \frac{1}{2}(X_3-X_4) \times Y_2, \quad Z_4 = \frac{1}{2}(X_3+X_4) \times Y_3 + \frac{1}{2}(X_3-X_4) \times Y_4.$$

Then Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4 are $(1, -1)$ matrices of order nm . Note

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1 Z_1^T &= \frac{1}{4}(X_1+X_2)(X_1+X_2)^T \times Y_1 Y_1^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1-X_2)(X_1-X_2)^T \times Y_2 Y_2^T \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(X_1+X_2)(X_1-X_2)^T \times Y_1 Y_2^T, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_2 Z_2^T &= \frac{1}{4}(X_1+X_2)(X_1+X_2)^T \times Y_3 Y_3^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1-X_2)(X_1-X_2)^T \times Y_4 Y_4^T \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(X_1+X_2)(X_1-X_2)^T \times Y_3 Y_4^T, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_3 Z_3^T &= \frac{1}{4}(X_3+X_4)(X_3+X_4)^T \times Y_1 Y_1^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_3-X_4)(X_3-X_4)^T \times Y_2 Y_2^T \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(X_3+X_4)(X_3-X_4)^T \times Y_1 Y_2^T, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Z_4 Z_4^T &= \frac{1}{4}(X_3+X_4)(X_3+X_4)^T \times Y_3 Y_3^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_3-X_4)(X_3-X_4)^T \times Y_4 Y_4^T \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}(X_3+X_4)(X_3-X_4)^T \times Y_3 Y_4^T. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to check that

$$\begin{aligned} &Z_1 Z_1^T + Z_2 Z_2^T + Z_3 Z_3^T + Z_4 Z_4^T \\ &= \frac{1}{4}(X_1 X_1^T + X_2 X_2^T + X_3 X_3^T + X_4 X_4^T) \times (Y_1 Y_1^T + Y_2 Y_2^T + Y_3 Y_3^T + Y_4 Y_4^T) = 4nm I_{nm}. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously, $Z_i Z_j^T = Z_j Z_i^T$, for $i, j = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Thus, Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4 are Williamson type matrices of order nm .

In particular, let X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 be nice Williamson type matrices of order n and Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 be special Williamson type matrices of order m . Note

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1 Z_2^T &= \frac{1}{4}(X_1+X_2)(X_1+X_2)^T \times Y_1 Y_3^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1-X_2)(X_1-X_2)^T \times Y_2 Y_4^T \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4}(X_1+X_2)(X_1-X_2)^T \times Y_1 Y_4^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1-X_2)(X_1+X_2)^T \times Y_2 Y_3^T, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} & (X_1 + X_2)(X_1 - X_2)^T \times Y_1 Y_4^T + (X_1 - X_2)(X_1 + X_2)^T \times Y_2 Y_3^T \\ &= (X_1 X_1^T - X_2 X_2^T) \times (Y_1 Y_4^T + Y_2 Y_3^T) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$Z_1 Z_2^T = \frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2)(X_1 + X_2)^T \times Y_1 Y_3^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1 - X_2)(X_1 - X_2)^T \times Y_2 Y_4^T.$$

Similarly,

$$Z_3 Z_4^T = \frac{1}{4}(X_3 + X_4)(X_3 + X_4)^T \times Y_1 Y_3^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_3 - X_4)(X_3 - X_4)^T \times Y_2 Y_4^T.$$

Hence

$$Z_1 Z_2^T + Z_3 Z_4^T = \frac{1}{4}(X_1 X_1^T + X_2 X_2^T + X_3 X_3^T + X_4 X_4^T) \times (Y_1 Y_3^T + Y_2 Y_4^T) = 0.$$

We have now proved Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4 are nice Williamson type matrices of order nm .

Further suppose X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4 are special Williamson type matrices of order n and Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 are special Williamson type matrices of order m .

$$\begin{aligned} Z_1 Z_3^T &= \frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2)(X_3 + X_4)^T \times Y_1 Y_1^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1 - X_2)(X_3 - X_4)^T \times Y_2 Y_2^T \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2)(X_3 - X_4)^T \times Y_1 Y_2^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1 - X_2)(X_3 + X_4)^T \times Y_2 Y_1^T. \end{aligned}$$

Note

$$(X_1 + X_2)(X_3 + X_4)^T = (X_1 - X_2)(X_3 - X_4)^T = 0,$$

then

$$Z_1 Z_3^T = \frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2)(X_3 - X_4)^T \times Y_1 Y_2^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1 - X_2)(X_3 + X_4)^T \times Y_2 Y_1^T.$$

Similarly,

$$Z_2 Z_4^T = \frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2)(X_3 - X_4)^T \times Y_3 Y_4^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1 - X_2)(X_3 + X_4)^T \times Y_4 Y_3^T.$$

Clearly, $Z_1 Z_3^T + Z_2 Z_4^T = 0$. Finally, by the same reasoning for $Z_1 Z_3^T$ and $Z_2 Z_4^T$, we have

$$Z_1 Z_4^T = \frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2)(X_3 - X_4)^T \times Y_1 Y_4^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1 - X_2)(X_3 + X_4)^T \times Y_2 Y_3^T$$

and

$$Z_2 Z_3^T = \frac{1}{4}(X_1 + X_2)(X_3 - X_4)^T \times Y_3 Y_2^T + \frac{1}{4}(X_1 - X_2)(X_3 + X_4)^T \times Y_4 Y_1^T.$$

Clearly $Z_1 Z_4^T + Z_2 Z_3^T = 0$. Thus Z_1, Z_2, Z_3, Z_4 are special Williamson type matrices of order nm . \square

Let $q \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ be a prime power and $n = \frac{1}{2}(1+q)$. By Theorem 1 there exists a semi-regular $2n = (p+1)$ -set of matrices of order p^2 , i.e. $4n(1, -1)$ -matrices Q_1, \dots, Q_{4n} satisfying

$$Q_i Q_j^T = J_{p^2}, \text{ if } i - j \neq \pm 2n, 0, Q_i Q_{i+2n}^T = Q_{i+2n} Q_i^T$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{4n} Q_j Q_j^T = 4q^2(1+p)I_{p^2}.$$

Suppose there exist Williamson type matrices of order n , say $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$, $C = (c_{ij})$, $D = (d_{ij})$. Set

$$E = (a_{ij}Q_{1+j-i}), F = (b_{ij}Q_{n+1+j-i}), G = (c_{ij}Q_{2n+1+j-i}), H = (d_{ij}Q_{3n+1+j-i}),$$

where $1+j-i$ is the reduced modulo n to the residue class $\{1, \dots, n\}$. By the same reasoning as in the proof of Theorem 4 [7], E, F, G, H are Williamson type matrices of order nq^2 . Further suppose $AB^T + CD^T = 0$ i.e. A, B, C, D are nice Williamson matrices of order n . Write $EF^T = (X_{ij})$, $GH^T = (Y_{ij})$, where X_{ij}, Y_{ij} are of order q^2 , $i, j = 1, \dots, n$. Note

$$X_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}Q_{1+k-i}b_{jk}Q_{n+1+k-j}^T = \sum_{k=1}^n a_{ik}b_{jk}J_{q^2},$$

since $(n+1+k-j) - (1+k-i) \neq 0, 2n$. Similarly,

$$Y_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n c_{ik}Q_{2n+1+k-i}d_{jk}Q_{3n+1+k-j}^T = \sum_{k=1}^n c_{ik}d_{jk}J_{q^2},$$

since $(3n+1+k-j) - (2n+1+k-i) \neq 0, 2n$. Note $AB^T + CD^T = 0$, then $X_{ij} + Y_{ij} = 0$. Thus $EF^T + GH^T = 0$. Similarly, if $AD^T + BC^T = 0$ then $EH^T + FG^T = 0$. Note if n is odd, then $2n-1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. Hence we have proved

Theorem 6 *If there exist nice (perfect) Williamson type matrices of order n , where n is odd and $2n-1$ is a prime power then there exist nice (perfect) Williamson type matrices of order $n(2n-1)^2$.*

Corollary 5 *If there exist nice Williamson type matrices of order n and m then there exist Williamson type matrices of order nmN , where N was defined in Notation 1.*

Proof. From [?], there exist special Williamson type matrices of order N . By Theorem 5 there exist nice Williamson type matrices of order mN hence Williamson type matrices of order nmN . \square

Corollary 6 *Let N , N_1 and N_2 be three products of the kind defined by Notation 1. If $2N - 1$ is a prime power then there exist*

- (i) *perfect Williamson type matrices of order $N(2N - 1)^2$,*
- (ii) *nice Williamson type matrices of order $N(2N - 1)^2N_1$,*
- (iii) *Williamson type matrices of order $NN_1N_2(2N - 1)^2(2N_2 - 1)^2$, if $2N_1 - 1$ is a prime power.*

Proof. (i), (ii) and (iii) hold by Theorem 6, Theorem 5 and Corollary 5 respectively. \square

By Corollary 6 there exist perfect Williamson type matrices of order $9 \cdot 17^2$, nice Williamson type matrices of order $9 \cdot 17^2N$ and Williamson type matrices of order $9^2 \cdot 17^4N$.

5 Tight Williamson-like Matrices and Application

Some tight Williamson-like matrices were found by Xia [18]. For example, from [16], we construct cyclic tight Williamson-like matrices of order 5 and 13 with first rows

$+ - + + -, + + - + +, - - + + -, + + + + -$ and

$+ + - - - + - - + + - + +, - - + + + - + + + + - +,$
 $+ - - + - + + + - - - + -, + - + + + + + - - + + -$ respectively.

From [16] we construct type 1 tight Williamson-like matrices of order 25. Any element in the abelian group $Z_5 \oplus Z_5$ can be expressed as (a, b) , where $a, b \in Z_5$, and the additive addition in $Z_5 \oplus Z_5$ can be defined as $(a, b) + (c, d) = (a + b, c + d)$. Set

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &= \{(0, 0), (0, 1), (1, 2), (3, 3), (0, 3), (4, 4), (3, 4), (2, 0), (2, 2), (1, 0), (1, 4), (0, 2), (3, 0)\}, \\ S_2 &= \{(0, 1), (4, 0), (3, 1), (4, 4), (0, 4), (4, 2), (1, 0), (1, 1), (3, 2)\}, \\ S_3 &= \{(1, 2), (3, 3), (1, 3), (4, 1), (3, 4), (2, 0), (2, 3), (4, 3), (1, 4), (0, 2), (2, 4), (2, 1)\}, \\ S_4 &= \{(3, 3), (4, 1), (0, 3), (2, 0), (4, 3), (2, 2), (0, 2), (2, 1), (3, 0)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the type 1 $(1, -1)$ incidence matrices of S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4 form the tight Williamson-like matrices of order 25.

Tight Williamson-like matrices are not Williamson type matrices but they are Goethals-Seidel or Wallis-Whiteman matrices (see [10]) with cross correlation types of properties (see Definition 4). Besides forming Hadamard matrices of Goethals-Seidel or Wallis-Whiteman type (see [10]), tight Williamson-like matrices can be used to form Hadamard matrices in the special array given in the next lemma.

Lemma 1 *If there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n then there exists an Hadamard matrix of order $4n$.*

Proof. Let A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 be the tight Williamson-like matrices of order n . Set

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & A_2 & A_3 & A_4 \\ A_2 & A_1 & A_4 & A_3 \\ A_3^T & A_4^T & -A_1^T & -A_2^T \\ A_4^T & A_3^T & -A_2^T & -A_1^T \end{bmatrix}.$$

Hence H is an Hadamard matrices with 4×4 type 1 blocks. \square

Lemma 2 *If there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n and T-matrices of order t then there exists an Hadamard matrix of order $4tn$.*

Proof. Let A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 be the tight Williamson-like matrices of order n . Let T_1, T_2, T_3, T_4 be the T-matrices of order t . Write

$$\begin{aligned} E_1 &= T_1 \times A_1 + T_2 \times A_2 + T_3 \times A_3^T + T_4 \times A_4^T, \\ E_2 &= T_1 \times A_2 + T_2 \times A_1 + T_3 \times A_4^T + T_4 \times A_3^T, \\ E_3 &= T_1 \times A_3 + T_2 \times A_4 - T_3 \times A_1^T - T_4 \times A_2^T, \\ E_4 &= T_1 \times A_4 + T_2 \times A_3 - T_3 \times A_2^T - T_4 \times A_1^T. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, each E_j is a $(1, -1)$ -matrix. It is easy to check that $\sum_{j=1}^4 E_j E_j^T = 4tnI_{tn}$. Note the E_j are of type 1, hence we can construct an Hadamard matrix of order $4tn$ by using Theorem 3 [10]. \square

Lemma 3 *There exist two disjoint $W(2n, n)$ if there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n .*

Proof. Let A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 be the tight Williamson-like matrices of order n . Set $P = \begin{bmatrix} A + B & C + D \\ C^T + D^T & -A^T - B^T \end{bmatrix}$ and $Q = \begin{bmatrix} A - B & C - D \\ C^T - D^T & -A^T + B^T \end{bmatrix}$. Then P and Q are the required two disjoint $W(2n, n)$. \square

By Corollary 2.11 [3], a $W(2n, n)$, where n is odd, only exists when n is a sum of two squares. Hence, as pointed out in [17] we have

Lemma 4 *If there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n , odd, then n is a sum of two squares.*

Two disjoint $W(2n, n)$ are often used for constructing Hadamard matrices (see Craigen [2], [?]). We now construct new tight Williamson-like matrices from those known.

Lemma 5 (Xia [18]) *If there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n and special Williamson matrices of order m then there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order nm .*

Lemma 6 *If there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n (odd) and $2n - 1$ is a prime power then there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order $n(2n - 1)^2$.*

Proof. Let $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$, $C = (c_{ij})$, $D = (d_{ij})$ be the tight Williamson-like matrices of order n . Note $2n - 1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, since n is odd. By Theorem 1 there exists a semi-regular $(2n)$ -set of matrices of order $(2n - 1)^2$, say R_1, \dots, R_{4n} . Set $E = (a_{ij}R_{j+i-1})$, $F = (b_{ij}R_{n+j+i-1})$, $G = (c_{ij}R_{2n+j+i-1})$, $H = (d_{ij}R_{3n+j+i-1})$, where $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ and the subscripts $j + i - 1$ are reduced modulo n . By the same reasoning as in the proof for Theorem 4 [7], E, F, G, H satisfy

$$EE^T + FF^T + GG^T + HH^T = 4n(2n - 1)^2 I_{n(2n-1)^2}.$$

On the other hand,

$$EF^T + FE^T + GH^T + HG^T = (AB^T + BA^T + CD^T + DC^T) \times J_{(2n-1)^2} = 0.$$

Thus E, F, G, H are tight Williamson-like matrices of order $n(2n - 1)^2$. \square

Lemma 7 *If there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order n and $4n - 1$ is a prime power then there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order $n(4n - 1)^2$.*

Proof. Let $A = (a_{ij})$, $B = (b_{ij})$, $C = (c_{ij})$, $D = (d_{ij})$ be the tight Williamson-like matrices of order n . Note $4n - 1 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. By Theorem 1 there exists a regular $(2n)$ -set of matrices of order $(4n - 1)^2$, say A_1, \dots, A_{4n} . Set $E = (a_{ij}A_{j+i-1})$, $F = (b_{ij}A_{n+j+i-1})$, $G = (c_{ij}A_{2n+j+i-1}^T)$, $H = (d_{ij}A_{3n+j+i-1}^T)$, where $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ and the subscripts $j + i - 1$ are reduced modulo n . By the same reasoning as in the proof for Theorem 4 [7], E, F, G, H satisfy

$$EE^T + FF^T + GG^T + HH^T = 4n(4n - 1)^2 I_{n(4n-1)^2}.$$

On the other hand,

$$EF^T + FE^T + GH^T + HG^T = (AB^T + BA^T + CD^T + DC^T) \times J_{(4n-1)^2} = 0.$$

Thus E, F, G, H are tight Williamson-like matrices of order $n(4n - 1)^2$. \square

Corollary 7 *There exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order $5N$, $13N$, $25N$, $13 \cdot 5^4N$, $5 \cdot 19^2N$.*

Proof. As the above, there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order 5, 13, 25. By Lemma 6 there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order $13 \cdot 5^4$. By Lemma 7 there exist tight Williamson-like matrices of order $5 \cdot 19^2$. Using Lemma 5, we have established the corollary. \square

Corollary 8 *There exist Hadamard matrices of orders $4n$, where $n = 5tN$, $13tN$, $25tN$, $13 \cdot 5^4tN$, $5 \cdot 19^2tN$, where t is the order of T -matrices.*

Proof. Using Corollary 7 and Lemma 2. \square

Corollary 9 *There exist two disjoint $W(2n, n)$, where $n = 5N$, $13N$, $25N$, $13 \cdot 5^4N$, $5 \cdot 19^2N$.*

Proof. Using Corollary 7 and Lemma 3. \square

The following table shows the existence of tight Williamson-like matrices of odd order < 60 . Tight Williamson-like matrices for odd orders, n , can only exist for $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, where the decomposition of n into prime powers contains no factor $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ raised to an odd power. Hence the following list contains only those n which exist or could possibly exist.

order	construction
5	[18], see Section 5
9^t	[11], since special Williamson type are tight Williamson-like matrices
13	[18], see Section 5
17	unknown
25	[18], see Section 5
29	unknown
37	unknown
41	unknown
45	[18], see Lemma 5
49	uncertain
53	unknown

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