

# A skew-Hadamard matrix of order 92

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There is a skew-Hadamard matrix of order 92 .

Previously the smallest order for which a skew-Hadamard matrix was not known was 92 . We construct such a matrix below. The orders  $< 200$  which are now undecided are 100, 116, 148, 156, 172, 188, 196; see [2], [3]. The existence of any Hadamard matrix of order 92 was unknown until 1962 [1].

We construct a skew-Hadamard matrix of Williamson-type by using the matrix

$$\begin{matrix}
 W = & A & B & C & D \\
 & -B & A & D & -C \\
 & -C & -D & A & B \\
 & -D & C & -B & A .
 \end{matrix}$$

Then if  $A$  is a  $(1, -1)$  skew-type cyclic matrix of order 23 (that is  $a_{i+1,j+1} = a_{i,j}$  where the subscripts are taken modulo 23),  $B, C, D$  are  $(1, -1)$  anticyclic matrices of order 23 having symmetrical first rows (that is  $b_{i,j} = b_{i+1,j-1}$ ,  $b_{11} = 1$ ,  $b_{1j} = b_{1,25-j}$  and so on, subscripts modulo 23) and

$$AA^T + BB^T + CC^T + DD^T = 92I_{23} ,$$

$W$  is a skew-Hadamard matrix of order 92 .

Suitable first rows for the blocks  $A, B, C, D$  are

$A : 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1$   
 $B : 1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1$   
 $C : 1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1$   
 $D : 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ 1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1 \ -1$

If  $W = U + I$  is a skew-Hadamard matrix of order 92 where  $I$  is the identity matrix then

$$\begin{array}{cc}
 U+I & U+I \\
 U-I & -U+I
 \end{array}$$

is a skew-Hadamard matrix of order 184 .

### References

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