

Evaluation of minors  
for weighing matrices  $W(n, n-1)$   
having zeros on the diagonal

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<sup>2</sup>C. Koukouvinos, M. Mitrouli and J. Seberry, An algorithm to find formulae and values of minors for Hadamard matrices,  $W(n, n-1)$ , *Linear Algebra and its Appl.*, **330** (2001), 129-147.

# *Weighing Matrices*

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A **conference** matrix  $C$  of order  $n$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix with diagonal entries 0 and all other elements  $\pm 1$ , satisfying

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## Lemma<sup>3</sup>

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If  $W_{n \times n}$  is a conference matrix, then  $n$  is even.

- If  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ , then  $W$  is H-equivalent to a symmetric matrix.
- If  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , then  $W$  is H-equivalent to a skew-symmetric matrix.

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$W(j)$  : the absolute value of the minor of any  $j \times j$  submatrix of the matrix  $W$ .

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**Example:**

$$U_3 = \begin{matrix} \tilde{u}_1 & \tilde{u}_2 & \tilde{u}_3 & \tilde{u}_4 \\ + & + & + & + \\ + & + & - & - \\ + & - & + & - \end{matrix} \quad \text{and} \quad U_4 = \begin{matrix} \tilde{u}_1 & \tilde{u}_2 & \tilde{u}_3 & \tilde{u}_4 & \tilde{u}_5 & \tilde{u}_6 & \tilde{u}_7 & \tilde{u}_8 \\ + & + & + & + & + & + & + & + \\ + & + & + & + & - & - & - & - \\ + & + & - & - & + & + & - & - \\ + & - & + & - & + & - & + & - \end{matrix}$$

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## Proposition

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Then,

$$W(n-1) = 0.$$

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**Proof.**

$$W \sim_H \left[ \begin{array}{c|ccc} 0 & + & \dots & + \\ \hline + & & & \\ \vdots & & C & \\ + & & & \end{array} \right].$$

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that is

$$CC^T = (n-1)I_{n-1} - J_{n-1}.$$

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### Proposition <sup>6</sup>

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where  $u_1 = u_2 = \frac{n-2}{2}$ .

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Thus,

$$\det CC^T = (\det D)^2 \Rightarrow \det C = (\det CC^T)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \det D = (n-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-2}.$$

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Let  $W$  be a weighing matrix  $W(n, n-1)$  of order  $n \geq 8$ , where  $n$  is even, with zeros on the diagonal.

Then,

$$W(n-3) = 0, \quad \text{for } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$$

and

$$W(n-3) = 2(n-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-3}, \quad \text{for } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}.$$

# Minor $W(n-3)$

**Proof** for  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

$$W \sim_H \left( \begin{array}{ccc|cccc} & & & & u_1 & u_2 & u_3 & u_4 \\ & & & & \overbrace{+\cdots+} & \overbrace{+\cdots+} & \overbrace{+\cdots+} & \overbrace{+\cdots+} \\ & & & & +\cdots+ & +\cdots+ & +\cdots+ & +\cdots+ \\ & & & & +\cdots+ & +\cdots+ & -\cdots- & -\cdots- \\ & & & & +\cdots+ & -\cdots- & +\cdots+ & -\cdots- \\ \hline u_1 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ + \end{array} \right. & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} - \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ - \end{array} \right. & & & & & \\ u_2 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ + \end{array} \right. & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} - \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ + \end{array} \right. & & & & & \\ u_3 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ + \\ + \\ + \end{array} \right. & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ + \\ + \\ + \end{array} \right. & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} - \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ - \\ - \\ - \end{array} \right. & & & & \\ u_4 & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ + \\ + \\ + \end{array} \right. & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ + \\ + \\ + \end{array} \right. & \left\{ \begin{array}{l} + \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ + \\ + \\ + \end{array} \right. & & & & \\ \hline & + & + & + & & & & \end{array} \right) C$$

where  $u_1 = u_2 = u_4 = u$  and  $u_3 = u + 1$ .

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where  $P_{m \times l} = (n-1)I_{m \times l} - 4J_{m \times l}$ , with  $m, l = u, u+1$  and

$$P_{(u+1) \times u} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{u \times u} \\ n-5 & -4 & \dots & -4 \end{bmatrix}.$$



## Schur's Formula <sup>7</sup>

Let us consider the partitioned matrix  $M = \begin{bmatrix} A & B \\ C & D \end{bmatrix}$ , where the submatrix  $D$  is assumed to be square and nonsingular.

The Schur complement of  $D$  in  $M$ , denoted by  $(M/D)$ , is the matrix

$$(M/D) = A - BD^{-1}C.$$

If  $M$  is square, then

$$\det M = \det D \cdot \det (M/D).$$

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<sup>7</sup>C. Brezinski, The Schur Complement in Numerical Analysis, *The Schur Complement and its Applications*, (Editor F. Zhang), Springer, 2004, 227-228.

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# Minors of higher order



## Theorem <sup>9</sup>

Let  $W$  be a weighing matrix  $W(n, n-1)$  of order  $n > 6$ , where  $n$  is even, with zeros on the diagonal. Then, the  $(n-r) \times (n-r)$ ,  $r \geq 1$ , minor of  $W$  is

$$W(n-r) = [(n-1)^{n-r-2^{r-1}} \det M]^{1/2},$$

where

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} n-1-ru_1 & u_1c_{1,2} & u_1c_{1,3} & \cdots & u_1c_{1,2^{r-1}} \\ u_2c_{1,2} & n-1-ru_2 & u_2c_{2,3} & \cdots & u_2c_{2,2^{r-1}} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ u_{2^{r-1}}c_{1,2^{r-1}} & u_{2^{r-1}}c_{2,2^{r-1}} & u_{2^{r-1}}c_{3,2^{r-1}} & \cdots & n-1-ru_{2^{r-1}} \end{bmatrix}_{2^{r-1} \times 2^{r-1}},$$

$$c_{i,j} = -\tilde{u}_i^T \cdot \tilde{u}_j, \quad i, j = 1, \dots, 2^{r-1}.$$

<sup>9</sup>A. K., M. Mitrouli, J. Sebery and M. G. Neubauer, An eigenvalue approach evaluating minors for weighing matrices  $W(n, n-1)$ , under revision in LAA.

**Proof.**

$$W \sim_H \left[ \begin{array}{c|ccc} & A_{r \times r} & \overbrace{\tilde{u}_1 \dots \tilde{u}_1}^{u_1} & \dots & \overbrace{\tilde{u}_i \dots \tilde{u}_i}^{u_i} & \dots & \overbrace{\tilde{u}_{2r-1} \dots \tilde{u}_{2r-1}}^{u_{2r-1}} \\ \hline u_1 & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \tilde{u}_1^T \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{u}_1^T \end{array} \right. & & & & & \\ & \dots & & & & & \\ u_i & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \tilde{u}_i^T \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{u}_i^T \end{array} \right. & & & & & \\ & \dots & & & & & \\ u_{2r-1} & \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \tilde{u}_{2r-1}^T \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{u}_{2r-1}^T \end{array} \right. & & & & & \end{array} \right]$$

$C_{(n-r) \times (n-r)}$

$$CC^T = \begin{bmatrix} D_1 & c_{1,2}J & c_{1,3}J & \dots & c_{1,2^{r-1}}J \\ c_{1,2}J^T & D_2 & c_{2,3}J & \dots & c_{2,2^{r-1}}J \\ c_{1,3}J^T & c_{2,3}J^T & D_3 & \dots & c_{3,2^{r-1}}J \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{1,2^{r-1}}J^T & c_{2,2^{r-1}}J^T & c_{3,2^{r-1}}J^T & \dots & D_{2^{r-1}} \end{bmatrix},$$

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and  $c_{i,j} = -\tilde{u}_i^T \cdot \tilde{u}_j$ ,  $i, j = 1, \dots, 2^{r-1}$ .

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$$c_{i,j}J \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & c_{i,j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & c_{i,j} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & c_{i,j} \end{bmatrix}_{u_i \times u_j}$$

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$$c_{i,j} J \sim \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & \dots & c_{i,j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & c_{i,j} \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & u_i c_{i,j} \end{bmatrix}_{u_i \times u_j}$$



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# Experimental Results

$n$	$W(n-1)$	$W(n-2)$	$W(n-3)$	$W(n-4)$	$W(n-5)$
14	0	$(n-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-2}$	$[(n-1)^7 M_{4 \times 4}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$[(n-1)^3 M_{7 \times 7}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	-
16	0	$(n-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-2}$	$0 = [(n-1)^9 M_{4 \times 4}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$[(n-1)^4 M_{8 \times 8}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	-
18	0	$(n-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-2}$	$[(n-1)^{11} M_{4 \times 4}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$[(n-1)^7 M_{7 \times 7}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	-
20	0	$(n-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-2}$	$0 = [(n-1)^{13} M_{4 \times 4}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$[(n-1)^8 M_{8 \times 8}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$0 = [(n-1)^3 M_{12 \times 12}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$
<b>24</b>	0	$(n-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-2}$	$0 = [(n-1)^{17} M_{4 \times 4}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$[(n-1)^{12} M_{8 \times 8}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$0 = [(n-1)^7 M_{12 \times 12}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$
32	0	$(n-1)^{\frac{n}{2}-2}$	$[(n-1)^{25} M_{4 \times 4}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$[(n-1)^{20} M_{8 \times 8}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$	$[(n-1)^{12} M_{15 \times 15}]^{\frac{1}{2}}$

# Open research problems

- improvement of the algorithm in order to achieve an even lower complexity
- possible application of the new algorithm in other orthogonal matrices (i.e. binary Hadamard matrices)
- introduction of other methods for the evaluation of minors of matrices (i.e using eigenvalues).