

## Exercises 6.1., Pb 4

If  $A$  is the incidence matrix of a  $(b, r, k, \lambda)$ -config. then the Complement, meaning 0's and 1's trade places, is a

$(b, r, r', k', \lambda')$ -config.

where

$$k' = v - k$$

$$r' = b - r$$

$$\lambda' = b - 2r + \lambda$$

Ex.  $(7, 7, 3, 3, 1)$ -config. has a complement which is  $(7, 7, 4, 4, 2)$ -config.

Let  $K$  be a  $b \times v$  matrix of ones.

Then  $K - A$  has a 0 where  $A$  has a 1

and a 1 where  $A$  has a 0.

Thus  $K - A$ , of dim.  $b \times v$ , is the incidence matrix we seek.

The row sum  $k'$  is  $v - k$ , the column sum  $r'$  is  $b - r$ . What about the

pair condition. We saw that

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$C_{ij}$  ( $i \neq j$ ) is exactly the no. of rows where  $A$  has a 1 in site  $i$  and  $j$  simultaneously. Thus the corresponding  $D =$

$$(K - A)'(K - A)$$

is calculated. Check that all off-diag. elements are the same. That no. is  $\lambda'$ .

$$(K - A)'(K - A)_{ij} = \underbrace{(K'K)}_{n \times b} - \underbrace{K'A}_{b \times r} - \underbrace{A'K}_{r \times b} +$$

$$A'A)_{ij} = b - r - r + \lambda = b - 2r + \lambda.$$

easy calc. Recall def. of  $K$   
 $i \neq j$

(Incidentally, the diag. el. are  $b - 2r + r = b - r$  as they should.)

$\therefore K - A$  is the incidence matrix of a  $(b, r, b - r, r - k, b - 2r + \lambda)$ -configuration.

## 6.2. Square block designs

$$b = v, \quad k = r$$

We speak about a  $(r, k, \lambda)$ -design.

- (1) Any row contains  $k$  ones.  
of  $A$ , the incidence matrix,
- (2) Any column contains  $k$  ones.
- (3) Any pair of columns both have exactly  $\lambda$  ones in  
 $\lambda$  rows.
- (4) Any pair of rows have ones in exactly  $\lambda$  columns.  $\leftarrow$  Can be proved.

It is shown in 6.3. that there is an abundance of square block designs, so-called Hadamard designs.