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Discrete Mathematics Seminar

NEW CIRCULANT WEIGHING MATRICES

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A circulant weighing matrix $CW(n,k)$ is a square $n \times n$ matrix M with entries from $\{-1, 0, 1\}$ such that $MM^* = kI$. (Here M^* is the transpose matrix and I is the $n \times n$ identity matrix.) Circulant weighing matrices have applications to signal processing and digital communications.

Using techniques in "discrete Fourier analysis" and algebraic number theory, we construct a circulant weighing matrix with parameters $CW(48,36)$. Such a matrix was conjectured not to exist.

The techniques used in this construction are those of a first-year graduate class in higher algebra and should be accessible to a broad audience.

(This is joint work with Bernhard Schmidt, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.)

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