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1003-05-812 Eric J. Merchant* (emerchan@noether.uoregon.edu), 3580 Mill St., Eugene, OR 97405. Structural properties of Hadamard designs.

This talk will focus on structural properties of Hadamard designs, i.e. symmetric designs with parameters 2 - (4n - 1, 2n - 1, n - 1). The properties of interest are good blocks and good points, and how they interact. Elucidating these properties yields information about a classical construction of Hadamard designs. One application is: given a Hadamard design of order n, we derive an exponential lower bound for the number of non-isomorphic Hadamard designs of order 2n. Also, given a finite group G, we construct an infinite family of Hadamard designs with full automorphism group isomorphic to G.

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