1145-05-103 Amin Bahmanian\* (mbahman@ilstu.edu), Illinois State University, Campus Box 4520, Normal, IL 61790-4520. Embedding Partial Latin Cubes. Preliminary report.

A latin square of order n is an  $n \times n$  array filled with n different symbols, each occurring exactly once in each row and exactly once in each column. There is celebrated result due to Ryser (1951) that a partial latin square A of order n in which cell (i,j) is filled if and only if  $i \le r$  and  $j \le s$  can be completed if and only if  $N(i) \ge r + s - n$  for  $i \in [n]$ , where N(i) denotes the number of elements of A that are equal to i. A latin cube of order n is a 3-dimensional array of  $n^3$  cells so that each layer contains exactly one of  $1, 2, \ldots, n^2$  (A layer is obtained by fixing one coordinate). In this talk, we provide a 3-dimensional analogue of Ryser's theorem, and we also obtain partial results for higher dimensions. Our results are closely related to completing partial factorizations of multipartite hypergraphs. (Received July 29, 2018)