

## CONSTRUCTION METHODS FOR BHASKAR RAO AND RELATED DESIGNS

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### Abstract

Mathematical and computational techniques are described for constructing and enumerating generalized Bhaskar Rao designs (*GBRD*'s). In particular, these methods are applied to  $GBRD(k + 1, k, l(k - 1); G)$ 's for  $l \geq 1$ . Properties of the enumerated designs, such as automorphism groups, resolutions and contracted designs, are tabulated. Also described are applications to group divisible designs, multi-dimensional Howell cubes, generalized Room squares, equidistant permutation arrays, and doubly resolvable two-fold triple systems.

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### 1. Introduction

A *balanced incomplete block design*,  $BIBD(v, b, r, k, \lambda)$  is an arrangement of  $v$  elements into  $b$  blocks such that (i) each element appears in exactly  $r$  blocks; (ii) each block contains exactly  $k$  ( $< v$ ) elements, (iii) each pair of distinct elements appear together in exactly  $\lambda$  blocks. Well known necessary conditions for a  $BIBD(v, b, r, k, \lambda)$  to exist are  $vr = bk$  and  $\lambda(v - 1) = r(k - 1)$ . Because of this dependence we shall use the abbreviated notation  $BIBD(v, k, \lambda)$  to denote a  $BIBD(v, b, r, k, \lambda)$ . If in the definition of a  $BIBD$  we do not require uniform block size (property (ii)), we obtain a so-called  $(r, \lambda)$ -design.

Two  $BIBD(v, k, \lambda)$ 's  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  with element sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  respectively, are said to be *isomorphic* if there is a bijection  $\theta: V_1 \rightarrow V_2$  such that  $\{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$  is a

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block of  $D_1$  if and only if  $\{\theta(x_1), \dots, \theta(x_k)\}$  is a block of  $D_2$ . An *automorphism* of a *BIBD* is an isomorphism of the *BIBD* with itself. The set of all automorphisms, under the usual composition of mappings, forms the *automorphism group* of the *BIBD*.

A *generalized Bhaskar Rao design* is defined as follows. Let  $W$  be a  $\nu \times b$  matrix with elements from  $G \cup \{0\}$ , where  $G = \{h_1 = e, h_2, \dots, h_g\}$  is a finite group of order  $g$ . Then  $W$  can be expressed as a sum  $W = h_1 A_1 + \dots + h_g A_g$ , where  $A_1, \dots, A_g$  are  $\nu \times b$  (0, 1)-matrices such that the Hadamard product  $A_i * A_j = 0$  for any  $i \neq j$ . Denote by  $W^+$  the transpose of  $h_1^{-1} A_1 + \dots + h_g^{-1} A_g$  and let  $N = A_1 + \dots + A_g$ . Then  $W$  is a *generalized Bhaskar Rao design* denoted by  $GBRD(\nu, b, r, k, \lambda; G)$  if

$$(i) \quad WW^+ = rI + \lambda/g(h_1 + \dots + h_g)(J - I),$$

$$(ii) \quad NN^T = (r - \lambda)I + \lambda J.$$

The second condition merely prescribes that  $N$  be the incidence matrix of a  $BIBD(\nu, b, r, k, \lambda)$ . Because of the parameter dependencies for *BIBD* mentioned above we shall use the shorter notation  $GBRD(\nu, k, \lambda; G)$  for a *generalized Bhaskar Rao design*.

A  $GBRD(\nu, k, \lambda; G)$  with  $\nu = b$  is a *symmetric GBRD* or *generalized weighing matrix*. If  $W$  has no 0 entries then the *GBRD* is also known as a *generalized Hadamard matrix*.

A *group-divisible design*,  $GDD(\nu \times g, k, \lambda)$  is an incidence structure  $(X, B)$  consisting of a set  $X$ ,  $|X| = \nu g$ , partitioned into  $\nu$  disjoint  $g$ -subsets (*groups*),  $X = X_1 \cup \dots \cup X_\nu$ , and a collection  $B$  of  $k$ -subsets of  $X$  (*blocks*) such that

(i) each point  $x \in X$  is incident with  $r$  blocks,

(ii)  $|L \cap X_i| \leq 1$  for every block  $L \in B$  and  $i = 1, \dots, \nu$ ,

(iii) if  $x \in X_i$ ,  $y \in X_j$ ,  $i \neq j$ , there are exactly  $\lambda$  blocks incident with  $x$  and  $y$ .

If  $|B| = bg$ , then  $bk = r\nu$ , and  $\lambda g(\nu - 1) = r(k - 1)$ . A  $GDD(\nu \times g, k, \lambda)$  with  $g = 1$  is a  $BIBD(\nu, k, \lambda)$ . *GDD* isomorphism is defined in the same way as *BIBD* isomorphism.

From a  $GBRD(\nu, k, \lambda; G)$ ,  $|G| = g$ , we can form a  $GDD(\nu \times g, k, \lambda/g)$  as follows. For any  $h \in G$  let  $P_h$  denote the corresponding  $g \times g$  permutation matrix,  $P_{h_1} + \dots + P_{h_g} = J$ . If  $W$  is the  $\nu \times b$  matrix of a *GBRD* let  $N$  be the  $\nu g \times bg$  (0, 1)-matrix obtained from  $W$  by replacing any group element  $h$  by  $P_h$  and any 0 entry by a  $g \times g$  all-zero matrix. Then  $N$  is the incidence matrix of a  $GDD(\nu \times g, k, \lambda/g)$ .

Two  $GBRD(\nu, k, \lambda; G)$ 's  $W$  and  $W'$  are *isomorphic* if there exist two  $G$ -permutation matrices  $P$  and  $Q$ , and an automorphism  $\sigma$  of the group  $G$  such that  $W = P\sigma(W)Q$ . The isomorphism itself will be denoted by the triple  $(P, \sigma, Q)$ . It is probably instructive at this point to see how such an isomorphism preserves the *GBRD* property that for any two rows  $w'_i, w'_j$  ( $i \neq j$ ) of  $W'$ ,  $w'_i * (w'_j)^{-1} = \lambda/g(h_1, \dots, h_g)$ . Clearly, the rearrangement of rows and columns of  $W$  preserves

the property, so let us concentrate on the effect of applying the automorphism  $\sigma$  to each entry of  $W$ , and then pre-multiplying each row  $i$  by  $x_i \in G$ , and post-multiplying each column  $h$  by  $y_h \in G$ . For  $i \neq j$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 w'_i * (w'_j)^{-1} &= \sum_{h=1}^b x_i \sigma(w_{ih}) y_h * (x_j \sigma(w_{jh}) y_h)^{-1} \\
 &= \sum_{h=1}^b x_i \sigma(w_{ih}) y_h * y_h^{-1} (\sigma(w_{jh}))^{-1} x_j^{-1} \\
 &= \sum_{h=1}^b x_i \sigma(w_{ih}) \sigma(w_{jh}^{-1}) x_j^{-1} \\
 &= x_i \sigma \left( \sum_{h=1}^b w_{ih} w_{jh}^{-1} \right) x_j^{-1} \\
 &= x_i \sigma(\lambda/g(h_1 + \cdots + h_g)) x_j^{-1} \\
 &= x_i (\lambda/g(h_1 + \cdots + h_g)) x_j^{-1} \\
 &= \lambda/g(h_1 + \cdots + h_g).
 \end{aligned}$$

The operations carried out in the above proof will be applied extensively in the isomorph rejection procedures to be discussed in Section 3.

An isomorphism of  $W$  with itself is called an *automorphism* of  $W$ . The set of automorphisms of a *GBRD* form a group  $\Gamma$  under the operations of matrix multiplication and mapping composition, i.e., if  $(P_1, \sigma_1, Q_1)$  and  $(P_2, \sigma_2, Q_2)$  are two automorphisms, then so is  $(P_1, P_2, \sigma_1 \sigma_2, Q_1 Q_2)$ . Note that  $\Gamma$  contains a subgroup isomorphic to  $G$ , since for any  $h \in G$ ,  $(D_h, \sigma_h, D_{h^{-1}}) \in \Gamma$ , where  $\sigma_h(w)$  is the inner automorphism  $h^{-1}wh$  of  $G$ , and  $D_h$  is an  $h$ -diagonal matrix.

We note that every automorphism of a *GBRD* is an automorphism of the underlying *GDD*, but that the converse is not true in general.

A design  $(X, B)$  (which can be a *BIBD*, a *GDD*, or an  $(r, \lambda)$ -design) is said to be *resolvable* if there exists a partition  $R$  of the set of blocks  $B$  into subsets  $R_1, \dots, R_u$ , called *parallel classes*, such that each  $R_i$  is a partition of  $X$ . Two resolutions  $R = \{R_1, \dots, R_u\}$ ,  $R' = \{R'_1, \dots, R'_u\}$  of a design  $(X, B)$  are *orthogonal* if  $|R_i \cap R'_j| \leq 1$  for all  $i, j = 1, \dots, u$ . A design with two orthogonal resolutions is called *doubly resolvable*.

Bhaskar Rao designs have been studied by a number of authors. For example, Bhaskar Rao [1], Street and Rodger [25], and Seberry [22] have examined such designs in connection with the construction of partially balanced block designs. Generalized Hadamard designs have been studied by Butson [2, 3], and by Shirhande [24] in connection with combinatorial designs, by Delsarte and Goethals [5] in connection with codes, and by Drake [7] in connection with

$\lambda$ -geometries. Generalized weighing matrices were first introduced by Yates [29] in connection with determining the accuracy of measurements. Since then they have been studied extensively [8, 9, 13, 26, 27].

In this paper we shall study *GBRD*'s based on  $l$ -multiples ( $l \geq 1$ ) of the unique *BIBD* with blocksize  $k$ ,  $\nu = k + 1$  and  $\lambda = k - 1$  (i.e. the complement of the complete *BIBD*( $\nu, 1, 0$ )). A necessary condition for the existence of a *GBRD*( $k + 1, k, lk - l; G$ ) is that  $g = |G|$  divides  $l(k - 1)$ .

## 2. Existence

Two infinite families of *GBRD*( $k + 1, k, lk - l; G$ )'s are known to exist. One arises from cyclotomic classes in finite fields, while the second can be constructed from projective planes containing a Baer subplane. In this section we describe the direct constructions which produce these families. We conclude the section with two methods for constructing new *GBRD*'s from old ones. These latter constructions are described in the form of Theorems 1 and 2.

### Construction 1

This construction produces generalized weighing matrices and corresponds to the case  $l = 1$  [9, 14, 16, 23].

Let  $q = mt + 1$  be a prime-power and let  $\alpha$  be a primitive root in the finite field  $GF(q)$  with elements  $a_1, \dots, a_q$ . Consider the partition of  $GF(q)$  into  $m + 1$  so-called cyclotomic classes  $C_0, C_1, \dots, C_m$  defined as follows:

$$C_0 = \{0\}, C_{i+1} = \{\alpha^{kj+i} \mid j = 0, 1, \dots, t-1\}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, m-1.$$

Let  $A$  be the  $q \times q$  symmetric matrix with a zero diagonal and off-diagonal entries  $w_{ij} = h_s$  if and only if  $a_i - a_j \in C_s$  for some  $s$ ,  $1 \leq s \leq m$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq q$ . Then the matrix  $W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^T \\ e & A \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $e^T = (1, \dots, 1)$  is a *GBRD*( $q + 1, q, q - 1; G$ ), where  $G = \{h_1, \dots, h_m\}$  is a cyclic group of order  $m$ ,  $h_i = \beta^{i-1}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $\beta^m = \beta^0 = 1$ .

We make a few observations.

1. If  $m = 2$  and  $G = \{1, -1\}$  under multiplication, then the matrix  $W$  of a *GBRD*( $k + 1, k, k - 1; G$ ) is called a *conference matrix*. Several other constructions are known for conference matrices yielding other families of *GBRD*'s (see [12, 15]).

2. If  $q = r^2$  is a square and  $m = r + 1$ , then this construction can be extended to any group  $G$  of order  $m$ , since  $A$  corresponds to an affine plane of order  $r$ .

3. A family of *GBRD*( $k + 1, k, k - 1; G$ )'s with  $k$  not a prime-power can be constructed from so-called pseudo-cyclic association schemes [14, 16]. Here  $k = 2^{m-1}(2^m - 1)$  and  $G$  is a cyclic group of order  $g = 2^{m-1}$ ,  $m \geq 3$ . So, for example,

if  $m = 3$  we obtain a  $GBRD(29, 28, 27; G)$  (see [16]):

$$W = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^T \\ e & A \end{bmatrix}, \quad A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & e^T & \omega e^T & \bar{\omega} e^T \\ e & A & B & C \\ \omega e & B & D & E \\ \bar{\omega} e & C & E & F \end{bmatrix}, \quad G = \{1, \omega, \bar{\omega}\},$$

where  $A, \dots, F$  are the symmetric circulant matrices

$$\begin{aligned} A &= (0 \ 1 \ \omega \ \omega \ \bar{\omega} \ \bar{\omega} \ \omega \ \omega \ 1) & D &= (0 \ \bar{\omega} \ 1 \ \bar{\omega} \ \omega \ \omega \ \bar{\omega} \ 1 \ \bar{\omega}) \\ B &= (\bar{\omega} \ \bar{\omega} \ 1 \ \omega \ 1 \ 1 \ \omega \ 1 \ \bar{\omega}) & E &= (1 \ \omega \ \omega \ \bar{\omega} \ 1 \ 1 \ \bar{\omega} \ \omega \ \omega) \\ C &= (\omega \ \bar{\omega} \ \omega \ 1 \ \bar{\omega} \ \bar{\omega} \ 1 \ \omega \ \bar{\omega}) & F &= (0 \ \omega \ \bar{\omega} \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ \bar{\omega} \ \omega) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\omega$  is a cube-root of unity,  $\bar{\omega} = \omega^2$ .

**Construction 2**

A family of  $GBRD(k + 1, k, lk - 1; G)$ 's with  $l = k$  can be constructed from certain projective planes [22, 28].

Let  $\Pi$  be a projective plane of order  $q^2$  and let  $\Pi' \subset \Pi$  be a Baer subplane of order  $q$ , where  $q$  is a prime power. Given a point  $P$  in  $\Pi'$ , there are exactly  $q + 1$  lines  $L_1, \dots, L_{q+1}$  in  $\Pi$  incident with  $P$  which intersect  $\Pi'$  in  $q + 1$  points. Let  $X_i$  be the set of  $q^2 - q$  points of  $L_i$  not in  $\Pi'$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, q + 1$ . Since  $\Pi'$  is a Baer subplane every line of  $\Pi$  is incident with  $q + 1$  or 1 point of  $\Pi'$ . For every point  $Q_j \neq P$  of  $\Pi'$  let  $B_j$  be the set of  $q^2 - q$  lines of  $\Pi$  incident with the single point  $Q_j$  of  $\Pi'$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, q^2 + q$ . Then  $(X, B)$  is a  $GDD((q + 1) \times (q^2 - q), q, 1)$ , where  $X = X_1 \cup \dots \cup X_{q+1}$ ,  $B = B_1 \cup \dots \cup B_{q^2+q}$ . If  $\Pi$  is a translation plane then the partitions of  $X$  and  $B$  induce a  $GBRD(q + 1, q, q^2 - q; G)$  where  $G$  is a nonabelian group of order  $q^2 - q$ . This group is isomorphic to the semi-direct product of the multiplicative and additive groups of  $GF(q)$  generated by the transformations of the form  $ax + b$ ,  $a, b \in GF(q)$ ,  $a \neq 0$ .

Again, let us make a few comments.

1. Any  $GDD$  given by Construction 2 is highly resolvable. In fact, in such a  $GDD$  there exists a set of  $q^2 - q$  mutually orthogonal resolutions. To see this let  $S$  be the set of points in  $\Pi$  not incident with any of the lines  $L_1, \dots, L_{q+1}$ , and let  $K$  be the set of lines in  $\Pi$  incident with  $P$  and no other point of  $\Pi'$ . Clearly,  $|S| = q^4 - q^3$ ,  $|K| = q^2 - q$ , and every line in  $K$  is incident with exactly  $q^2$  points of  $S$ , say  $S_1, \dots, S_{q^2}$ . Since  $\Pi$  is a projective plane, the blocks  $B'_i \subseteq B$  incident with  $S_i$  (restricted to  $X$ ) form a parallel class, and  $B'_1 \cup \dots \cup B'_{q^2} = B$ ,  $|B'_i \cap B'_j| = 0$ ,  $i \neq j$ , form a resolution of the  $GDD$ . Moreover, two distinct lines of  $K$  induce two resolutions which are mutually orthogonal. Conversely, given a  $GDD((q + 1) \times (q^2 - q), q, 1)$  together with  $q^2 - q$  mutually orthogonal resolutions we can reconstruct  $\Pi$  and  $\Pi'$ .

Numbers and properties of generated Bhaskar Rao designs							
Parameters	Design	$ G $	Rep. blocks	$D$	classes	Resolutions	Contractions
6, 5, 4; $Z_4$	$B$	480	$1^6$				$A$
6, 5, 4; $Z_2^2$	—						
6, 5, 8; $Z_8$	—						
6, 5, 8; $D_4$	—						
6, 5, 8; $Z_2 \times Z_4$	$C$	96	$1^{12}$				$\Psi, \Phi_1, \Omega_{1,2,3}$
6, 5, 8; $Z_2^3$	$D_1$	192	$1^{12}$				$\Phi_2, \Phi_3, \Omega_1, \Omega_2$
	$D_2$	192	$1^{12}$				$\Phi_3, \Phi_4, \Omega_2, \Omega_4$
6, 5, 8; $Q$	$E_1$	48	$1^{12}$				$\Phi_3, \Omega_2$
	$E_2$	48	$1^{12}$				$\Phi_3, \Omega_2$
6, 5, 8; $Z_4^\dagger$	$\Psi$	24	$1^{12}$				$\Omega_1$
6, 5, 8; $Z_2^{2\dagger}$	$\Phi_1$	48	$1^{12}$				$\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \Omega_3$
	$\Phi_2$	32	$1^{12}$				$\Omega_1, \Omega_2$
	$\Phi_3$	24	$1^{12}$				$\Omega_2$
	$\Phi_4$	32	$1^{12}$				$\Omega_2, \Omega_4$
6, 5, 8; $Z_2^{*\dagger}$	$\Omega_1$	96	$1^{12}$				
	$\Omega_2$	24	$1^{12}$				
	$\Omega_3$	48	$1^{12}$	$d$			
	$\Omega_4$	96	$1^{12}$	$d$			

† Not a complete enumeration—designs are contractions of other designs.

\*† The total number of these designs is 19

Parts of this table require some explanation. Firstly, the repeated block structure of a *GBRD* is indicated using the notation  $a_1^{b_1}, \dots, a_l^{b_l}$ . This means that  $b_i$  blocks are repeated  $a_i$  times,  $1 \leq i \leq l$ . In the column labelled  $D$ , a  $d$  indicates the design is decomposable. The actual decompositions are displayed in the appendices. Also in the table the numbers of *distinct* (rather than *non-isomorphic*) parallel classes and resolutions of the underlying *GDD*'s are displayed. The normal subgroups used to produce the listed contractions are detailed in the table on the opposite page.

Before moving on to discuss various interesting structures which arise from these generated designs, let us first briefly explain how some of their properties were determined. Recall that our generation procedure does not incorporate a *complete* isomorph rejection procedure. To partition the output designs into their isomorphism classes we therefore applied the *BIBD* isomorphism procedure described in [10, 11] to the underlying *GDD*'s. A strong invariant for this purpose was provided by a clique analysis of the designs, omitting intersections among blocks belonging to the same block orbit.

Derivation of Contracted Designs			
Group	Parent Design	Normal Subgroup(s) <sup>†</sup>	Contracted Design(s)
$Z_4$	Any	$\{1, \beta\}$	As above
$Z_6$	Any	$\{1, \beta, \delta\}$	As above
	Any	$\{1, \gamma\}$	As above
$S_3$	Any	$\{1, \alpha, \beta\}$	As above
$Z_2 \times Z_4$	$C$	$\{1, \delta\}, \{1, \beta\}$	$\Psi, \phi_1$
$Z_2^3$	$D_1$	$\{1, \alpha\}, \{1, \delta\}$	$\Phi_2, \Phi_3$
	$D_2$	$\{1, \delta\}, \{1, \alpha\}$	$\Phi_3, \Phi_4$
$Q$	$E_1, E_2$	$\{1, \delta\}$	$\Phi_3$
$Z_2^2$	$F$	$\{1, \alpha\}$	$B_3$
	$\Phi_1$	$\{1, \alpha\}, \{1, \beta\}, \{1, \gamma\}$	$\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \Omega_3$
	$\Phi_2$	$\{1, \alpha\}, \{1, \beta\}$	$\Omega_1, \Omega_2$
	$\Phi_3$	$\{1, \alpha\}$	$\Omega_2$
	$\Phi_4$	$\{1, \alpha\}, \{1, \beta\}$	$\Omega_4, \Omega_2$

<sup>†</sup> Only those that produce non-isomorphic designs.

The automorphism groups of the *GBRD*'s were similarly obtained by applying the *BIBD* automorphism group generator program of [10, 11] to the underlying *GDD*'s. Care, of course, needs to be taken to ensure that we only consider automorphisms which preserve block orbits. However, in only one case, the *GBRD*(4, 3, 6;  $Z_6$ )  $G_5$ , was the group of the *GBRD* different from that of the underlying *GDD*. In this case the group orders are 144 and 1296 respectively.

Note that a *GBRD*( $v, k, \lambda; G_1$ ) and a *GBRD*( $v, k, \lambda; G_2$ ) over different groups  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of the same order  $g$  may produce isomorphic *GDD*( $v \times g, k, \lambda$ )'s. Two examples of this are the *GDD*'s arising from  $G_9$  and  $G_{10}$  over  $Z_6$ . These are isomorphic to the *GDD*'s arising from  $H_5$  and  $H_3$ , respectively, over  $S_3$ .

In determining the numbers of parallel classes and resolutions of a *GDD*, a clique-finding program was again of some help. Suppose we have a *GDD*( $v, k, \lambda$ )  $D$  with  $b$  blocks, where  $v/k = u$  and  $b/u = w$ . Form the *block intersection graph*  $G_B$  in which the vertices represent the blocks of  $D$ , and in which vertices  $i$  and  $j$  are adjacent if and only if blocks  $i$  and  $j$  are disjoint. Then a  $u$ -clique in  $G_B$  corresponds to a parallel class in  $D$ .

Having obtained all  $u$ -cliques in  $G_B$  we now form the *parallel class intersection*  $G_P$  in which the vertices represent the set of parallel classes, with two vertices adjacent if and only if the associated parallel classes are disjoint. A  $w$ -clique in  $G_P$  corresponds to a resolution of  $D$ .

2. Applying Construction 2 to the translation plane of order 9, or to its dual, yields a  $GBRD(4, 3, 6; S_3)$ . It is listed in the Appendix as design  $H_1$ . The blocks of the corresponding  $GDD(4 \times 6, 3, 1)$  are resolvable in  $t = 6$  mutually orthogonal ways. This yields a 6-dimensional generalized Howell cube of side  $r = 9$ , order  $\nu = 24$ , and uniform block size  $k = 3$ , achieving a conjectured upper bound of  $t = r - k$  on the dimension  $t$  of such a cube. We note that every pair of elements is contained in at most one block of the cube (see Rosa [21]).

We now describe two methods for constructing new  $GBRD$ 's from old ones. The first method can be used to construct a large number of  $GBRD$ 's with  $l = k$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *Suppose there exists a  $GBRD(k + 1, k, k - 1; G)$  and a  $GBRD(k, k, k; H)$  for some  $k > 1$ . Then there exists a  $GBRD(k + 1, k, k^2 - k; G \times H)$ , where  $G \times H$  is the direct product of  $G$  and  $H$ .*

**PROOF.** Form a matrix  $W'$  by taking  $k$  identical copies of  $W$ , a  $GBRD(k + 1, k, k - 1; G)$ , and denote by  $W'_i$  the  $k$  columns of  $W'$  containing a 0 in the  $i$ th position. Subscript the  $k \times k$  non-zero submatrix of  $W'_i$  by the entries of  $V$ , a  $GBRD(k, k, k; H)$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k + 1$ . From the properties of  $W$  and  $V$  it follows that the resulting matrix with entries  $g_h$ ,  $g \in G$ ,  $h \in H$  forms a  $GBRD(k + 1, k, k^2 - k; G \times H)$  if the product  $g_h g'_h$  is interpreted as  $(gg')_{hh}$ . We note that the designs  $V$  used to subscript  $W'_i$  do not have to be identical or even isomorphic.

If  $k = q$  is a prime power then a generalized Hadamard matrix corresponding to a  $GBRD(q, q, q; H)$  can be constructed from an affine plane of order  $q$ , and a  $GBRD(q + 1, q, q - 1; G)$  is given by Construction 1. For  $q = 3$  this yields the  $GBRD(4, 3, 6; Z_6)$   $G_5$  listed in the appendices.

We conclude this section with another method for constructing new  $GBRD$ 's from old ones.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $W$  be a  $GBRD(\nu, k, \lambda; G)$  and suppose that  $G$  contains a normal subgroup  $T$ . Then there exists a  $GBRD(\nu, k, \lambda; H)$ , where  $H = G/T$  is the factor group of  $G$  with respect to  $T$ .*

**PROOF.** Use the homomorphism from  $G$  to  $H$  with kernel  $T$  to obtain  $W'$  from  $W$ . It is easily verified that  $W'$  is a  $GBRD$ .

The new  $GBRD$   $W'$  will be called a *contraction* of  $W$  with respect to  $T$ . We note that choosing different normal subgroups of the same order in  $W$  may lead to non-isomorphic contractions  $W'$  (see, for example, the  $GBRD(6, 5, 8; Z_2 \times Z_4)$ ,  $C$  in the appendices).



### 3. Enumeration

In this section we shall describe a computational method for enumerating non-isomorphic  $GBRD$ 's with fixed parameters  $\nu$ ,  $k$ ,  $\lambda$  and  $G$ . This method was implemented in the programming language Algol  $W$  on an IBM 3033 computer, and was used to enumerate the family of  $GBRD(k + 1, k, l(k - 1); G)$ 's listed in the appendices.

Recall from Section 1 that any  $GBRD(\nu, k, \lambda; G)$  is based on the incidence matrix  $N$  of a  $BIBD(\nu, k, \lambda)$ . A necessary condition for two  $GBRD$ 's to be isomorphic is that their underlying  $BIBD$ 's be isomorphic. A first step, then, in our procedure for enumerating  $GBRD$ 's is to enumerate the underlying  $BIBD$ 's using techniques such as those described by Gibbons, Mathon and Corneil [10, 11]. Then our  $GBRD$  enumeration algorithm accepts  $N$ , in addition to the parameters  $\nu$ ,  $k$ ,  $\lambda$  and  $G$ , and enumerates all  $GBRD$ 's with this parameter set.

In the case of a  $GBRD(k + 1, k, l(k - 1); G)$  the underlying  $BIBD(k + 1, k, l(k - 1))$  is unique up to isomorphism. The copy of  $N$  used by our algorithm must be permuted so that identical columns (corresponding to repeated blocks) are grouped together to form  $N$ -cells. This cell structure is used to implement isomorph rejection procedures which we shall describe shortly.

The construction algorithm is a 2-level backtrack procedure based on the idea of an *orderly* algorithm as introduced by Read [19]. We begin by defining an ordering  $h_1 < h_2 < \dots < h_g$  on the elements of  $G$ , and then proceed to construct  $W$  row by row, replacing the "1" entries of  $N$  by elements from the group  $G$  subject to the constraint  $\sum_{j=1}^b w_{ij}(w_{jl})^{-1} = \lambda/g(h_1 + \dots + h_g)$  (for  $i \neq j$ ). Individual rows are considered in strictly increasing lexicographical order, with the result that any completed matrices will also be output in increasing order.

This simple algorithm, as it stands, would be impractical for most problems unless some form of isomorph rejection procedures were implemented. For this purpose let us define the *canonical representative* of a class  $C$  of  $GBRD$ 's based on  $N$  as the *minimum* design in  $C$ . We would like our algorithm to generate only designs which are canonical representatives of their isomorphism classes.

To accomplish this we rely on the fact that the output  $GBRD$ 's are produced in increasing lexicographical order. To each generated design  $D$  we apply a *minimization* operation  $m$  which transforms  $D$  to an isomorphic (and hopefully smaller) design  $m(D)$ . If  $m(D) < D$ , then  $D$  can be *rejected* since it is isomorphic to a design considered earlier in the search. This rejection check can also be applied to *partially* completed designs. In fact such early checks are crucial in developing an effective enumeration algorithm.

If  $m(D)$  turns out to be the canonical representative of  $D$ 's isomorphism class, then we have a *complete* isomorph rejection procedure, i.e. our algorithm will produce *only* canonical representatives from the set of isomorphism classes. For

various practical reasons we stopped a little short of implementing such a complete rejection procedure, while still maintaining an effective rejection rate.

Suppose that the matrix  $N$  has  $N$ -cells  $c_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, l$ , where  $n_{mh} = n_{mj}$  for  $h, j \in c_i$  and  $m = 1, \dots, \nu$ , and suppose that we have constructed  $W^t$ , the first  $t$  rows ( $0 \leq t < \nu$ ) of  $W$ . We define the set  $F_{t+1} = \{f_i: i = 1, \dots, m\}$  of  $W$ -cells as follows:  $i, j \in f_h$  if and only if  $i, j \in c_p$  for some  $1 \leq p \leq l$ , and  $w_{mi} = w_{mj}$  for  $1 \leq m \leq t$ . That is,  $W$ -cells correspond to consecutive (partially completed) repeated blocks in the *GBRD* under construction. Note that the  $W$ -cell partitioning is a refinement of the  $N$ -cell partitioning.

We observe now that in constructing row  $t + 1$ , for any  $i, j \in f_h$  ( $i < j$ ) we can stipulate  $w_{t+1,i} \leq w_{t+1,j}$ . For if  $w_{t+1,i} > w_{t+1,j}$  we could swap columns  $i$  and  $j$  in  $W^{t+1}$  to obtain an isomorphic partial configuration strictly less than the current one. In other words, when constructing row  $t + 1$ , group elements in columns belonging to the same  $W$ -cell are placed in non-decreasing order.

Our second observation concerns a non-zero element  $w_{ij}$  for which either  $n_{ih} = 0$  for  $1 \leq h < j$ , or  $n_{hj} = 0$  for  $1 \leq h < i$ . Such a row (respectively, column) header can be set equal to  $e$ , since if we set it to  $x$  ( $\neq e$ ) we can pre- (post-) multiply the row (column) of  $W$  by  $x^{-1}$  to produce an isomorphic matrix  $W' < W$ .

The third check carried out is more involved. Let  $H$  be the automorphism group of  $N$  and let  $H_t$  be the subgroup of  $H$  which permutes the first  $t$  rows among themselves. Actually, in  $H$  we shall omit consideration of reorderings of columns within cells. The implications of this simplification will become apparent later.

Also let  $A$  be the automorphism group of the given group  $G$ , and define a minimization operation  $m$  as follows. Suppose  $W^t$  represents the first  $t$  rows of  $W$ . Then  $m(W^t)$  is formed from  $W^t$  as follows:

- (i) Scan  $W^t$  row by row, from left to right. For each row (column) header  $w_{ij} = x$ , reduce  $w_{ij}$  to  $e$  by pre- (post-) multiplying row  $i$  (column  $j$ ) by  $x^{-1}$ .
- (ii) Sort the columns of each  $N$ -cell in the resulting matrix into non-decreasing order.

Now suppose our algorithm has constructed  $W^t$ . Then this partial configuration may be rejected, forcing a backtrack, if there exists  $\sigma \in A$ ,  $\varphi \in H_t$  such that  $m(\varphi(\sigma(W^t))) < W^t$ . In terms of our algorithm, this means checking every  $\sigma \in A$  and every  $\varphi \in H_t$  to see whether  $m(\varphi(\sigma(W^t))) < W^t$ .

This turns out to be an effective isomorph rejection procedure. However, it is not complete, for the following reasons. Suppose, just before the minimization step described above, we have a matrix  $(W')^t$  in which there is a row header  $w'_{ij}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq t$ ) which belongs to a  $W$ -cell  $f \in F^t$ . To obtain true minimal form we must in turn reduce each entry in  $f$  to  $e$ , sort entries within the same  $W$ -cell, and

select the reduction that produces the smallest row  $i$ . In the case that all row headers belong to cells of size 1, our rejection procedure is complete. However, because of its complexity we decided against implementing the full check for row header cells of size  $> 1$ .

Results from the application of this algorithm are described in the following section, and also in the appendices

We conclude this section by mentioning briefly an extension of this enumerative technique to the construction of *BIBD*'s which contain a subgroup of the automorphism group of a specified type.

Suppose we are interested in enumerating all *BIBD*( $\nu, b, r, k, \lambda$ )'s containing a subgroup  $G$  of order  $g$  of the automorphism group. Let us represent the group  $G$  additively, and assume that  $g|\nu$  and  $g|b$ . Then in the designs we are looking for, the  $\nu$  elements partition into  $\nu/g$  ( $= n$ , say) orbits of size  $g$  under the action of  $G$ . In fact each such design can be represented by  $s$  ( $= b/g$ ) base blocks and can be generated by applying the elements of  $G$  to these base blocks. Our task will be to construct this set of base blocks.

We begin by considering the  $n \times s$  intersection matrix  $N$ , where each element  $n_{ij}$  is defined as the number of elements from orbit  $i$  contained in base block  $j$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq s$ .  $N$  must satisfy the following constraints.

- (i)  $\sum_{i=1}^n n_{ij} = k$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq s$ , i.e. each block must contain  $k$  elements.
- (ii)  $\sum_{j=1}^s n_{ij} = r$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , i.e. each element occurs in  $r$  blocks.
- (iii)  $\sum_{j=1}^s n_{ij}^2 - n_{ii} = \lambda(g-1)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , i.e. each pair of elements from the same orbit (or *pure pair*) must occur together in exactly  $\lambda$  blocks.
- (iv)  $\sum_{j=1}^s n_{ij}n_{jl} = \lambda g$ ,  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ , i.e. each pair of elements from different orbits (or *mixed pair*) must occur together in exactly  $\lambda$  blocks.

A necessary condition for two of the *BIBD*( $\nu, b, r, k, \lambda$ )'s under consideration to be isomorphic is that the underlying  $N$  matrices be isomorphic. We therefore commence our enumeration by generating all non-isomorphic such  $N$  matrices with the given constraints. This can be done by adapting the backtrack and isomorph rejection techniques described earlier in this section. The larger the group  $G$  is, the smaller the matrix  $N$  will be in relation to the incidence matrix of the *BIBD*. In many cases, with a non-trivial group  $G$ , we can carry out perfect isomorph rejection techniques at this stage. However, in the extreme case where  $g = 1$  (i.e. where we assume only the existence of the identity automorphism), the matrix  $N$  simply corresponds to the incidence matrix of a *BIBD*( $\nu, b, r, k, \lambda$ ) so that our enumeration algorithm will produce all *BIBD*'s with these parameters.

In the second stage of the enumeration we input each  $N$  matrix into a generalization of the algorithm described at the beginning of this section. The main difference here is that the entries in  $N$  are not restricted simply to having the values 0 or 1. Instead each entry  $n_{ij}$  satisfies the constraint  $0 \leq n_{ij} \leq k$ . Our task is to 'fill' each entry  $n_{ij}$  with  $n_{ij}$  elements from group  $i$ , subject to the

constraint that all pure and mixed differences are covered exactly  $\lambda$  times. As with our previous algorithm, isomorph rejection can be achieved by applying elements from the automorphism group of  $N$ , in combination with permutations from the group  $G$ , to each generated matrix  $W$ . We are careful to order the group elements filling each entry  $n_{ij}$  both during construction and after applying isomorphisms.

The orbit structure mentioned above can be generalized in many ways. For example, take the  $BIBD(45, 99, 11, 5, 1)$  and assume the existence of a (necessarily cyclic) group  $G$  of order 11. Then under the action of  $G$  the 45 elements partition into a fixed element and 4 orbits of size 11. Our intersection matrix in this case represents the structure of 8 base blocks of size 5 and 1 base block of size 4 (omitting the fixed element).

Using the described algorithm we first generated a total of 13 non-isomorphic intersection matrices with this structure. However, none of these matrices could be used to produce a complete design with the prescribed group structure. The conclusion, then, is that there exists no  $BIBD(45, 99, 11, 5, 1)$  with an automorphism of order 11.

This method has been applied successfully to the search for  $BIBD(45, 99, 11, 5, 1)$ 's with other prescribed group structures, as well as to other designs.

### 4. Analysis

Various sets of  $GBRD(k + 1, k, lk - l; G)$ 's with  $l \geq 1$  were obtained using the methods described in Section 3. The exact numbers and properties of these designs are displayed in the following table. The designs themselves are listed in the appendices.

Numbers and properties of generated Bhaskar Rao designs							
Parameters	Design	$ G $	Rep. blocks	$D$	classes	Resolutions	Contractions
4, 3, 2; $Z_2$ 4, 3, 4; $Z_2$	$A$	48	$1^4$				
	$B_1$	48	$2^4$	$d$			
	$B_2$	24	$2^1 1^6$	$d$			
	$B_3$	32	$1^8$	$d$			
4, 3, 6; $Z_2$	$C_1$	48	$3^4$	$d$			
	$C_2$	12	$3^1 2^3 1^3$	$d$			
	$C_3$	16	$2^4 1^4$	$d$			
	$C_4$	8	$2^2 1^8$	$d$			
	$C_5$	48	$1^{12}$	$d$			
4, 3, 6; $Z_3$	$D_1$	72	$2^4 1^4$		15	3	
	$D_2$	18	$2^1 1^{10}$		6	0	
	$D_3$	72	$1^{12}$		0	0	
	$D_4$	144	$1^{12}$		48	204	
	$D_5$	24	$1^{12}$		12	0	
	$D_6$	12	$1^{12}$		6	0	

Numbers and properties of generated Bhaskar Rao designs							
Parameters	Design	G	Rep. blocks	D	classes	Resolutions	Contractions
4, 3, 4; Z <sub>4</sub>	E	32	1 <sup>8</sup>				B <sub>3</sub>
4, 3, 4; Z <sub>2</sub> <sup>2</sup>	F	96	1 <sup>8</sup>				B <sub>3</sub>
4, 3, 6; Z <sub>6</sub>	G <sub>1</sub>	36	1 <sup>12</sup>		0	0	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>3</sub>
	G <sub>2</sub>	144	1 <sup>12</sup>		0	0	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>3</sub>
	G <sub>3</sub>	24	1 <sup>12</sup>		0	0	C <sub>4</sub> , D <sub>3</sub>
	G <sub>4</sub>	36	1 <sup>12</sup>		0	0	C <sub>2</sub> , D <sub>3</sub>
	G <sub>5</sub>	144	1 <sup>12</sup>		0	0	C <sub>1</sub> , D <sub>3</sub>
	G <sub>6</sub>	48	1 <sup>12</sup>		96	270	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>4</sub>
	G <sub>7</sub>	24	1 <sup>12</sup>		132	354	C <sub>4</sub> , D <sub>4</sub>
	G <sub>8</sub>	48	1 <sup>12</sup>		216	?(≥ 1)	C <sub>3</sub> , D <sub>4</sub>
	G <sub>9</sub>	96	1 <sup>12</sup>		240	?(≥ 1)	C <sub>3</sub> , D <sub>4</sub>
	G <sub>10</sub>	72	1 <sup>12</sup>		420	?(≥ 1)	C <sub>2</sub> , D <sub>4</sub>
	G <sub>11</sub>	12	1 <sup>12</sup>		36	0	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>5</sub>
	G <sub>12</sub>	12	1 <sup>12</sup>		48	9	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>5</sub>
	G <sub>13</sub>	48	1 <sup>12</sup>		12	0	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>5</sub>
	G <sub>14</sub>	12	1 <sup>12</sup>		12	0	C <sub>4</sub> , D <sub>5</sub>
	G <sub>15</sub>	24	1 <sup>12</sup>		36	0	C <sub>4</sub> , D <sub>5</sub>
	G <sub>16</sub>	48	1 <sup>12</sup>		12	0	C <sub>3</sub> , D <sub>5</sub>
	G <sub>17</sub>	6	1 <sup>12</sup>		30	0	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>6</sub>
	G <sub>18</sub>	6	1 <sup>12</sup>		30	0	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>6</sub>
	G <sub>19</sub>	24	1 <sup>12</sup>		6	0	C <sub>5</sub> , D <sub>6</sub>
	G <sub>20</sub>	6	1 <sup>12</sup>		54	0	C <sub>4</sub> , D <sub>6</sub>
	G <sub>21</sub>	12	1 <sup>12</sup>		30	0	C <sub>4</sub> , D <sub>6</sub>
	G <sub>22</sub>	24	1 <sup>12</sup>		30	0	C <sub>3</sub> , D <sub>6</sub>
4, 3, 6; S <sub>3</sub>	H <sub>1</sub>	2592	1 <sup>12</sup>		864	?(≥ 1)	C <sub>1</sub>
	H <sub>2</sub>	324	1 <sup>12</sup>		756	?(≥ 1)	C <sub>1</sub>
	H <sub>3</sub>	72	1 <sup>12</sup>		420	?(≥ 1)	C <sub>2</sub>
	H <sub>4</sub>	36	1 <sup>12</sup>		216	?(≥ 1)	C <sub>2</sub>
	H <sub>5</sub>	96	1 <sup>12</sup>		240	?(≥ 1)	C <sub>3</sub>
	H <sub>6</sub>	12	1 <sup>12</sup>		144	0	C <sub>4</sub>
	H <sub>7</sub>	18	1 <sup>12</sup>		54	0	C <sub>5</sub>
	H <sub>8</sub>	6	1 <sup>12</sup>		48	0	C <sub>5</sub>
5, 4, 3; Z <sub>3</sub>	A	360	1 <sup>5</sup>				
5, 4, 6; Z <sub>3</sub>	B <sub>1</sub>	360	2 <sup>5</sup>	d			
	B <sub>2</sub>	120	1 <sup>10</sup>	d			
	B <sub>3</sub>	72	2 <sup>1</sup> 1 <sup>8</sup>	d			
	B <sub>4</sub>	48	2 <sup>1</sup> 1 <sup>8</sup>	d			
	B <sub>5</sub>	24	1 <sup>10</sup>	d			
	B <sub>6</sub>	36	1 <sup>10</sup>	d			
	B <sub>7</sub>	36	1 <sup>10</sup>	d			
	B <sub>8</sub>	12	1 <sup>10</sup>	d			
	B <sub>9</sub>	24	2 <sup>1</sup> 1 <sup>8</sup>				
5, 4, 6; Z <sub>2</sub>	C	10	1 <sup>10</sup>				
5, 4, 6; S <sub>3</sub>	D	30	1 <sup>10</sup>				C
5, 4, 6; Z <sub>6</sub>	—						
6, 5, 4; Z <sub>2</sub>	A	240	1 <sup>6</sup>				

We now investigate various structures derived from some of the generated designs.

A *generalized Room square*  $GRS(r, \lambda; \nu)$  is an  $r \times r$  array on a finite  $\nu$ -set  $V$  of elements such that: (i) every cell of the array contains a subset (possibly empty) of  $V$ ; (ii) every element of  $V$  is contained in precisely one cell of each row and column; and (iii) every pair of distinct elements of  $V$  is contained in exactly  $\lambda$  cells of the array. A  $GRS$  is said to be *uniform* if all subsets have the same cardinality. A  $GRS$  is equivalent to a doubly resolvable  $(r, \lambda)$ -design. To see this, suppose we have two orthogonal resolutions  $R = \{R_1, \dots, R_u\}$ ,  $R' = \{R'_1, \dots, R'_u\}$  of the same  $(r, \lambda)$ -design  $D$ . Then we can form a  $GRS(u, \lambda; \nu)$   $S$  in which block  $B$  of  $D$  is placed in cell  $(i, j)$  of  $S$  if it belongs to parallel classes  $R_i$  and  $R'_j$ . An *equidistant permutation array*  $EPA(r, \lambda; \nu)$  is a  $\nu \times r$  array defined on an  $r$ -set of elements such that: (i) every row of the array is a permutation of the elements of  $V$ ; and (ii) every pair of distinct rows of the array have precisely  $\lambda$  common column entries. An  $EPA(r, \lambda; \nu)$  is equivalent to a  $GRS(r, \lambda; \nu)$ . To see this, let  $V = \{1, 2, \dots, \nu\}$  be the element set of both a  $GRS$   $S$  and the corresponding  $EPA$   $A$ . Then the  $(i, j)$ th entry of  $A$  is  $k \in V$  if and only if the element  $i$  appears in the  $(k, j)$ th cell of  $S$  (see [19]).

From a  $GDD(\nu \times g, k, \lambda)$  we can construct an  $(r, \lambda)$ -design  $D$  on the same element set  $X$   $|X| = \nu g$  by adjoining  $\lambda$  copies of the groups to the blocks of the  $GDD$ . We note that  $D$  has  $r = \lambda + \lambda g(\nu - 1)/(k - 1)$ , and two block sizes  $k$  and  $g$ . If  $D$  happens to be doubly resolvable then it can be used to construct a  $GRS(r, \lambda; \nu g)$ .

The following two examples illustrate such a derivation process using appropriate  $GBRD$ 's.

Firstly, consider the  $GBRD(4, 3, 6; Z_3)$   $D_4$  from the appendices. A computer analysis reveals that the corresponding  $GDD(4 \times 3, 3, 2)$  is resolvable. Since the groups and blocks both have size 3 the  $(11, 2)$ -design derivable from the  $GDD$  is in fact a  $BIBD(12, 44, 11, 3, 2)$ , also called a twofold triple system ([4]). This system is doubly resolvable; one resolution is inherited from the original  $GDD$  with two additional parallel classes formed by the groups, while the other resolution is derived from the block orbits of the  $GDD$  under  $Z_3$ . The obtained system solves the existence problem for doubly resolvable twofold triple systems with  $\nu = 12$ , the smallest previously unknown order [4]. The system is important since it forms a basis for recursive constructions of twofold triple systems. We present it here as a uniform  $GRS(11, 2; 12)$ :

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
1	ABC		DEF		GHI		JKL				
2		ABC		DEF		GHI		JKL			
3	FGJ			AIL	BEK		CDH				
4	EIL			CHK		BFJ			ADG		
5	DHK					AEL	BFG			CIJ	
6		FHL		BGJ		CDK	AEI				
7		EGK			ADJ				BHL		CFI
8		DIJ			CFL					BEH	AGK
9			BIK					AFH	CEJ	DGL	
10			AHJ					CEG	FIK		BDL
11			CGL					BDI		AFK	EHJ

Secondly, consider the  $GBRD(4, 3, 6; Z_6) G_{10}$  from the appendices. Adding the groups to the blocks of the corresponding  $GDD(4 \times 6, 3, 1)$  yields a  $(10, 1)$ -design with two block sizes, 3 and 6. This design turns out to be doubly resolvable and can be presented as a  $GRS(10, 1; 24)$ :

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	AMS	EKX		JRU		DGQ	LOV	FPT	BIW	CHN
2	EHR	BNT	FLS		KMV		GPW	AQU	CJX	DIO
3		FIM	COU	AGT		LNW	HQX	BRV	DKS	EJP
4	GOX		AJN	DPV	BHU		IRS	CMW	ELT	FKQ
5		HPS		BKO	EQW	CIV	JMT	DNX	FGU	ALR
6	DJW		IQT		CLP	FRX	KNU	EOS	AHV	BGM
7	IPU	JQV	KRW	LMX	GNS	HOT	ABCDEF			
8	FNV	AOW	BPX	CQS	DRT	EMU		GHIJKL		
9	CKT	DLU	EGV	FHW	AIX	BJS			MNOPQR	
10	BLQ	CGR	DHM	EIN	FJO	AKP				STUVWX

From the above *GRS* we can form an  $EPA(10, 1; 24)$  to which three more permutations can be added yielding an  $EPA(10, 1; 27)$ :

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0
5	6	1	2	3	4	8	0	9	7
6	1	2	3	4	5	7	0	8	9
3	6	4	8	0	9	7	1	2	5
9	4	1	5	8	0	7	2	3	6
0	9	5	2	6	8	7	3	4	1
8	0	9	6	3	1	7	4	5	2
2	8	0	9	1	4	7	5	6	3
5	3	8	0	9	2	7	6	1	4
0	4	8	7	3	6	1	5	2	9
1	0	5	8	7	4	2	6	3	9
5	2	0	6	8	7	3	1	4	9
7	6	3	0	1	8	4	2	5	9
8	7	1	4	0	2	5	3	6	9
3	8	7	2	5	0	6	4	1	9
8	4	3	9	6	7	2	0	1	5
7	8	5	4	9	1	3	0	2	6
2	7	8	6	5	9	4	0	3	1
9	3	7	8	1	6	5	0	4	2
1	9	4	7	8	2	6	0	5	3
3	2	9	5	7	8	1	0	6	4
7	2	4	9	3	0	5	6	8	1
0	7	3	5	9	4	6	1	8	2
5	0	7	4	6	9	1	2	8	3
9	6	0	7	5	1	2	3	8	4
2	9	1	0	7	6	3	4	8	5
1	3	9	2	0	7	4	5	8	6

This greatly improves the previously known maximum value of  $\nu$ , viz  $\nu = 16$ , for which an  $EPA(10, 1; \nu)$  exists [19].

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Appendices

A1. Group multiplication tables

$Z_2$		$Z_3$		
+	-	1	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$
-	+	$\bar{\omega}$	1	$\omega$
		$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	1

$Z_4$				$Z_2^2$			
1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$
$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	1	$\gamma$	$\beta$
$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$
$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	1

$Z_8$						$S_3$					
1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$
$\epsilon$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\alpha$	1	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$
$\delta$	$\epsilon$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	1	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$
$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	1	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	1	$\beta$
$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	1	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	1

$Z_2 \times Z_4$							$Z_2^3$							$Q$									
1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\kappa$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	1	$\epsilon$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	$\delta$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	
$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\lambda$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	$\beta$	$\epsilon$	$\delta$	$\lambda$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	$\alpha$	1	$\gamma$	$\kappa$	$\epsilon$	$\delta$	$\lambda$	$\beta$	$\gamma$
$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\lambda$	1	$\alpha$	$\kappa$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$
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$\epsilon$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	$\delta$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\lambda$	$\kappa$	$\epsilon$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	1	$\lambda$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\epsilon$	1

**A2. Enumerated  $GBRD(k + 1, k, l(k - 1); G)$ 's**

**1.  $GBRD(4, 3, 2; Z_2)$**

<i>A</i>	1	1	1	1
1	+	+	-	0
1	+	-	0	+
1	+	0	+	-
1	0	+	+	+

**2.  $GBRD(4, 3, 4; Z_2)$ 's**

<i>B</i> <sub>1</sub>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	<i>B</i> <sub>2</sub>	1	2	2	2	1	2	2	2
1	+	+	-	0	+	+	-	0	1	+	+	-	0	+	-	+	0
1	+	-	0	+	+	-	0	+	1	+	-	0	+	+	+	0	-
1	+	0	+	-	+	0	+	-	1	+	0	+	-	+	0	-	+
1	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	2	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+
<i>B</i> <sub>3</sub>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	+	+	-	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	-	-	-
1	+	-	0	+	+	-	0	+	+	+	-	0	+	-	-	-	-
1	+	0	+	-	-	0	+	-	-	0	+	+	-	-	-	-	-
1	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	0	-	+	+	+	+	+	+

**3.  $GBRD(4, 3, 6; Z_2)$ 's**

<i>C</i> <sub>1</sub>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	<i>C</i> <sub>2</sub>	1	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	1	3	3	3		
1	+	+	-	0	+	+	-	0	+	+	+	+	-	0	+	+	-	0	+	+	-	+	0		
1	+	-	0	+	+	-	0	+	+	-	0	+	+	0	0	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	-		
1	+	0	+	-	+	0	+	-	+	0	+	+	-	+	0	+	-	+	+	0	-	+	+		
1	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	0	+	+	+	+		
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4.  $GBRD(4, 3, 6; Z_3)$ 's

$D_1$	1 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 2	$D_2$	1 1 2 3 4 4 3 4 4 3 4 4
1	1 $\omega$ $\omega$ 1 1 1 $\bar{\omega}$ 1 1 0 0 0	1	1 1 1 1 $\omega$ 1 $\omega$ 1 $\bar{\omega}$ 0 0 0
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$D_3$	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	$D_4$	1 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 2
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$D_5$	1 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 2	$D_6$	1 2 3 1 2 3 1 2 3 1 2 3
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5.  $GBRD(4, 3, 4; Z_4)$

$E$  1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2  $F$  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

1	1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
1	1 $\alpha$ $\beta$ $\gamma$ 0 0 1 1
1	1 $\beta$ 0 0 $\gamma$ $\alpha$ $\beta$ $\gamma$ 1
1	0 0 1 $\gamma$ $\beta$ $\alpha$ $\gamma$ $\alpha$ 1

6.  $GBRD(4, 3, 4; Z_2^2)$

1	1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
1	1 $\alpha$ $\beta$ $\gamma$ 0 0 1 1
1	1 $\beta$ 0 0 $\gamma$ $\alpha$ $\alpha$ $\beta$
1	0 0 $\gamma$ 1 $\beta$ $\alpha$ $\beta$ 1

7.  $GBRD(4, 3, 6; Z_6)$ 's

$G_1$	1 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 2 3 3 3	$G_2$	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0	1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0
2	1 $\alpha$ $\beta$ $\gamma$ $\delta$ $\epsilon$ 0 0 0 1 1 1	1	1 $\alpha$ $\beta$ $\gamma$ $\delta$ $\epsilon$ 0 0 0 1 1 1
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2	0 0 0 1 $\beta$ $\alpha$ $\gamma$ $\epsilon$ $\delta$ 1 $\epsilon$ $\alpha$	1	0 0 0 1 $\beta$ $\alpha$ $\gamma$ $\epsilon$ $\delta$ $\epsilon$ $\alpha$ 1
$G_3$	1 2 1 1 2 1 3 4 3 3 4 3	$G_4$	1 2 1 1 2 1 3 3 3 1 2 1
1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0	1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0
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$G_{19}$	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	$G_{20}$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	3	1	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$
1	0	0	0	$\gamma$	$\delta$	1	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	$\beta$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	4	0	0	0	1	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	1	$\delta$	$\alpha$

$G_{21}$	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	5	6	4	5	6	$G_{22}$	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3	1	2	3
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\varepsilon$	$\beta$	$\delta$	0	0	0	1	1	1
2	1	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	1	1	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	0	0	0	$\varepsilon$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$
2	0	0	0	$\gamma$	$\delta$	1	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	1	0	0	0	$\beta$	1	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$

8.  $GBRD(4, 3, 6; S_3)$ 's

$H_1$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	$H_2$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	0	0	0	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	2	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	0	0	0	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$
1	0	0	0	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\varepsilon$	$\delta$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	2	0	0	0	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\varepsilon$	$\delta$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	1

$H_3$	1	2	1	3	4	3	3	4	3	3	4	3	$H_4$	1	1	1	2	3	4	2	3	4	2	3	4
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\varepsilon$	$\delta$	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	0	0	0	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	1	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	0	0	0	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$
2	0	0	0	1	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	$\beta$	$\delta$	1	$\delta$	$\beta$	2	0	0	0	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\varepsilon$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\beta$	1	$\delta$

$H_5$	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	2	1	$H_6$	1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	6	7	8
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	
1	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	$\gamma$	$\beta$	0	0	0	$\delta$	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\delta$	2	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$	0	0	0	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
1	0	0	0	1	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$	$\delta$	1	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$	3	0	0	0	1	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\alpha$

$H_7$	1	1	1	2	3	4	2	3	4	2	3	4	$H_8$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	1	1	1	2	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	0	0	0	1	1	1
1	1	$\gamma$	$\beta$	0	0	0	$\alpha$	$\varepsilon$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	3	1	$\gamma$	$\beta$	0	0	0	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$
2	0	0	0	1	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\varepsilon$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	1	4	0	0	0	1	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\varepsilon$	1	$\gamma$	$\delta$

9.  $GBRD(5, 4, 3; Z_3)$

$A$	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0
1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1
1	$\omega$	1	0	1	$\omega$
1	1	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$
1	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1

10.  $GBRD(5, 4, 6; Z_3)$ 's

$B_1$  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  $B_2$  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\bar{\omega}$	1	0	
1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\bar{\omega}$	1	0	1
1	$\omega$	1	0	1	$\omega$	1	$\omega$	1	0	1	$\omega$	1	$\bar{\omega}$	1	0	1	$\bar{\omega}$
1	1	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	1	0	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\bar{\omega}$	
1	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	1	0	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\bar{\omega}$	1	

$B_3$  1 2 2 2 2 1 2 2 2 2  $B_4$  1 2 2 2 2 1 2 2 2 2

1	1	$\omega$	1	$\bar{\omega}$	0	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	0	1	1	$\omega$	1	$\bar{\omega}$	0	1	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	1	0
1	1	1	$\omega$	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	1	0	$\omega$	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	$\omega$	0	1	
1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	0	$\omega$	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	0	1	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	0	$\omega$	1	1	0	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	
1	1	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	$\omega$	1	0	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	1	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	0	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	
2	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1

$B_5$  1 2 2 2 2 1 2 2 2 2  $B_6$  1 1 2 2 2 1 1 2 2 2

1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	1	$\omega$	0	1	1	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	0	1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	0	$\omega$	1	1	$\omega$	1	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	1	0	1
1	1	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	0	1	1	1	$\omega$	1	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	$\omega$	0	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	1	1	0	$\omega$	1	$\bar{\omega}$	2	1	0	1	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1
2	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	2	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$

$B_7$  1 1 2 2 2 1 1 2 2 2  $B_8$  1 2 2 3 3 1 2 2 3 3

1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	1	0	
1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	1	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	0	1	1	1	0	1	
1	$\omega$	1	0	1	$\omega$	1	$\omega$	1	0	1	$\omega$	2	1	$\bar{\omega}$	0	1	$\omega$	1	1	0	1	
2	1	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	0	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	2	2	1	0	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	1	1	0	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	1
2	0	1	$\omega$	$\omega$	1	0	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	3	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	

$B_9$  1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2

1	1	1	1	1	1	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	0	0
1	1	1	1	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$	1	1	0	0	$\omega$	$\bar{\omega}$
1	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	0	0	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	1	1	1
1	1	1	0	0	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	1	1	$\bar{\omega}$	$\omega$	1
2	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

11.  $GBRD(5, 4, 6; Z_2)$

$C$  1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2

1	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	0	0
1	+	+	-	+	+	-	0	0	+	+
1	-	+	+	-	0	0	+	+	+	+
1	+	-	0	0	+	+	+	+	-	+
1	0	0	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-

12.  $GBRD(5, 4, 6; S_3)$

$D$  1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2

1	1	1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	1	$\beta$	$\delta$	0	0
1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	1	$\beta$	$\delta$	0	0	1	1
1	$\gamma$	1	$\beta$	$\delta$	0	0	1	1	1	$\alpha$
1	$\beta$	$\delta$	0	0	1	1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	1
1	0	0	1	1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	1	$\beta$	$\delta$

13.  $GBRD(6, 5, 4; Z_2)$

<i>A</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	+	+	-	-	+	0
1	+	-	-	+	0	+
1	+	-	+	0	+	-
1	+	+	0	+	-	-
1	+	0	+	-	-	+
1	0	+	+	+	+	+

14.  $GBRD(6, 5, 4; Z_4)$

<i>B</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	1	$\alpha$	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$	0
1	1	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$	0	$\alpha$
1	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$	0	$\alpha$	1
1	1	$\gamma$	0	$\alpha$	1	$\beta$
1	1	0	$\alpha$	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$
1	0	1	1	1	1	1

15.  $GBRD(6, 5, 8; Z_2 \times Z_4)$

<i>C</i>	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\lambda$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\kappa$	0	0	1	1
1	1	$\beta$	$\epsilon$	$\lambda$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	0	0	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\kappa$	$\beta$
1	1	$\gamma$	$\lambda$	$\kappa$	0	0	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$	$\kappa$
1	1	$\delta$	0	0	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\kappa$	$\epsilon$	$\lambda$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\epsilon$
1	0	0	1	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\kappa$	$\beta$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$	$\alpha$

16.  $GBRD(6, 5, 8; Z_2^3)$ 's

$D_1$	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	$D_2$	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\kappa$	$\epsilon$	$\lambda$	0	0	1	1	1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\kappa$	$\epsilon$	$\lambda$	0	0	1	1	
1	1	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\lambda$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$	0	0	$\gamma$	$\kappa$	$\beta$	$\epsilon$	1	1	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\lambda$	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	0	0	$\alpha$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	$\beta$	
1	1	$\gamma$	$\lambda$	$\epsilon$	0	0	$\alpha$	$\kappa$	$\delta$	$\beta$	$\lambda$	$\gamma$	1	1	$\gamma$	$\lambda$	$\epsilon$	0	0	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\kappa$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\lambda$	
1	1	$\kappa$	0	0	$\lambda$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$\delta$	1	1	$\delta$	0	0	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\lambda$	$\kappa$	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	
1	0	0	1	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\lambda$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\epsilon$	1	0	0	1	$\lambda$	$\delta$	$\epsilon$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\kappa$	$\gamma$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$	

17.  $GBRD(6, 5, 8; Q)$ 's

$E_1$	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	$E_2$	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	$\epsilon$	0	0	1	1	1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\delta$	$\kappa$	$\lambda$	$\epsilon$	0	0	1	1
1	1	$\beta$	$\lambda$	$\gamma$	$\epsilon$	$\delta$	0	0	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	1	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\kappa$	$\epsilon$	$\lambda$	0	0	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\beta$
1	1	$\epsilon$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	0	0	$\delta$	$\lambda$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	1	1	$\gamma$	$\lambda$	$\alpha$	0	0	$\epsilon$	$\delta$	$\kappa$	$\beta$	$\lambda$	$\alpha$
1	1	$\gamma$	0	0	$\beta$	$\epsilon$	$\kappa$	$\delta$	$\alpha$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$	$\delta$	1	1	$\delta$	0	0	$\beta$	$\epsilon$	$\gamma$	$\kappa$	$\alpha$	$\lambda$	$\beta$	$\epsilon$
1	0	0	$\beta$	1	$\alpha$	$\epsilon$	$\lambda$	$\kappa$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$	$\beta$	1	0	0	$\lambda$	1	$\kappa$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\epsilon$	$\alpha$	$\delta$	$\gamma$	$\lambda$

A3. Contracted GBRD( $k + 1, k, l(k - 1); G$ )'s

1. GBRD(6, 5, 8;  $Z_4$ )

$\psi$	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	0	0	1	1
1	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	0	0	1	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\beta$
1	1	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	0	0	1	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$\beta$
1	1	1	0	0	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\alpha$
1	0	0	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	1	$\beta$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$

2. GBRD(6, 5, 8;  $Z_2^2$ )'s

$\Phi_1$  1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2  $\Phi_2$  1 1 1 1 2 3 2 3 2 3 2 3

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	0	0	1	1	
1	1	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	0	0	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	1	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	0	0	$\beta$	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\beta$
1	1	$\beta$	0	0	$\alpha$	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	1	$\gamma$
1	0	0	1	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\beta$	1	$\gamma$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$

$\Phi_3$  1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2  $\Phi_4$  1 2 1 2 3 4 3 4 3 4 3 4

1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	
1	1	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	$\beta$	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	0	0	1	1
1	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\alpha$	0	0	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\beta$
1	1	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$	0	0	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\beta$	1	$\gamma$	$\gamma$
1	1	$\beta$	0	0	$\gamma$	1	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\alpha$	$\alpha$	1	$\alpha$
1	0	0	$\alpha$	1	$\gamma$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	1	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\alpha$	$\gamma$

3. GBRD(6, 5, 8;  $Z_2$ )'s

$\Omega_1$  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  $\Omega_2$  1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2 1 2

1	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	0	0	
1	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	0	0	+	+	
1	+	+	-	-	+	0	0	+	-	+	-	
1	+	+	-	0	0	-	+	-	+	-	+	
1	+	-	0	0	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	
1	0	0	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	

$\Omega_3$  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1  $\Omega_4$  1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

1	+	+	-	-	+	0	-	+	+	-	+	0
1	+	-	-	+	0	+	+	+	-	0	+	
1	+	-	+	0	+	-	+	+	+	0	-	-
1	+	+	0	+	-	-	+	0	+	+	-	+
1	+	0	+	-	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	-
1	0	+	+	+	+	+	0	+	-	+	+	-



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