

# Construction for an OGDD of type $24^4$

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## Abstract

Colbourn and Gibbons showed there exists an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for all positive integers  $g \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  if there exists an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for  $g = 4, 8, 12$  and  $24$ . OGDDs of type  $8^4$  and  $12^4$  were constructed by Dukes, and an OGDD of type  $4^4$  was constructed by the author. In this article, we will construct an OGDD of type  $24^4$  to obtain the existence of an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for all positive integers  $g \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

## 1 Introduction

A *group-divisible design with block size 3* (briefly, 3-GDD),  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A})$ , is a set  $X$  and a partition  $\mathcal{G}$  of  $X$  into classes (usually called *groups*), and a set  $\mathcal{A}$  of 3-subsets of  $X$ , so that each pair  $\{x, y\}$  of elements of  $X$  appears once in a 3-subset of  $\mathcal{A}$  if  $x$  and  $y$  are from different groups, and does not appear in a 3-subset of  $\mathcal{A}$  if  $x$  and  $y$  are from the same group.

An *orthogonal group-divisible design* (briefly, OGDD),  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ , is a pair of 3-GDDs  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A})$  and  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$  satisfying two orthogonal conditions:

- (i) if  $\{x, y, z\} \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\{x, y, w\} \in \mathcal{B}$ , then  $z$  and  $w$  are in different groups; and
- (ii) for two distinct intersecting triples  $\{x, y, z\}$  and  $\{u, v, z\}$  of  $\mathcal{A}$ , the triples  $\{x, y, w\}$  and  $\{u, v, t\}$  of  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfy  $w \neq t$ .

For the existence of an OGDD of type  $g^u$  (that is, the group size is  $g$  and the number of groups is  $u$ ), Colbourn and Gibbons [4] have done excellent work. The following were their concluding remarks:

*The main question that remains open is whether there is any value of  $g$  for which an OGDD of type  $g^4$  exists. On the basis of the nonexistence when  $g = 2$  and  $g = 4$ , one might be tempted to conjecture that the answer is negative.*

The following theorem is Theorem 2.10 in [4] by Colbourn and Gibbons.

**Theorem 1.1** *If  $m$  is a positive integer and  $m \notin \{2, 3, 6, 10, 12, 14, 18, 26, 30, 38, 42\}$ , and there is an OGDD of type  $g^u$ , then there exists an OGDD of type  $(mg)^u$ .*

**Theorem 1.2** *If there exists an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for  $g = 4, 8, 12$  and  $24$ , then there exists an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for all positive integers  $g \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .*

*Proof.* Apply Theorem 1.1 with  $u = 4$ ,  $g = 4$  to obtain an OGDD of type  $(4m)^4$  for all positive integers  $m \notin \{2, 3, 6, 10, 12, 14, 18, 26, 30, 38, 42\}$ . Apply Theorem 1.1 with  $u = 4$ ,  $g = 8$ ,  $m = 5, 7, 9, 13, 15, 19$  and  $21$  to obtain an OGDD of type  $(4k)^4$  for  $k \in \{10, 14, 18, 26, 30, 38, 42\}$ . Apply Theorem 1.1 with  $u = 4$ ,  $g = 12$ ,  $m = 4$  to obtain an OGDD of type  $(4 \cdot 12)^4$ . Since there exists an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for  $g = 8, 12$  and  $24$ , there exists an OGDD of type  $(4k)^4$  for  $k = 2, 3$  and  $6$ . Hence there exists an OGDD of type  $(4k)^4$  for all positive integers  $k$ , that is, there exists an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for all positive integers  $g \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .  $\square$

OGDDs of type  $8^4$  and  $12^4$  were constructed by Dukes in [2] and an OGDD of type  $4^4$  was constructed by the author in [7].

In this article, we will construct an OGDD of type  $24^4$  to obtain existence of an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for all positive integers  $g \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

## 2 The construction of an OGDD of type $24^4$

It is natural that we hope to construct an OGDD of type  $(2h)^4$  by base blocks under  $Z_{sh}$ . Unfortunately, there is no such design from Theorem 3.1 in Appendix A.

In this section we let

$$G_i = \{0, 3, 6, \dots, 69\} + i, \quad i = 0, 1, 2;$$

$$H = \{\infty_1, \infty_2, \dots, \infty_{24}\}; \quad \mathcal{G} = \{G_0, G_1, G_2, H\}; \quad X = G_0 \cup G_1 \cup G_2 \cup H.$$

**Definition 2.1** Let  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$  be a 3-GDD of type  $24^4$ . For  $i = 1, \dots, 24$  and  $j = 0, 1, 2$ , define:

$$\mathcal{B}_g = \{B \in \mathcal{B} : B \cap H = \emptyset\}; \quad \mathcal{B}_h = \{B \in \mathcal{B} : B \cap H \neq \emptyset\};$$

$$\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{B},i} = \{\{x, y\} : \{\infty_i, x, y\} \in \mathcal{B}\}.$$

From the definition of a 3-GDD, we have

**Lemma 2.2** *If  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$  is a 3-GDD of type  $24^4$  then*

- (i) *each  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{B},i}$  is a partition of  $X \setminus H$ ;*
- (ii) *each point of  $X \setminus H$  appears exactly 12 times in  $\mathcal{B}_g$ .*

From the definition of an OGDD, we have

**Lemma 2.3** *If  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is an OGDD of type  $24^4$  then  $\mathcal{B}_g \cup \mathcal{A}_g$  are the blocks of a 3-GDD of type  $24^3$ .*

**Lemma 2.4** *If  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is an OGDD of type  $24^4$  then  $\{\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{B},i} : i = 1, 2, \dots, 24\}$  is a partition of  $\{\{x, y\}, \{y, z\}, \{z, x\} : \{x, y, z\} \in \mathcal{A}_g\}$ .*

First, by Lemma 2.3, we will construct a 3-GDD of type  $24^3$  for which the three groups are  $G_0, G_1, G_2$ .

It is natural that we hope to construct it by base blocks under  $Z_{72}$ . Unfortunately, there is no such design from Theorem 4.2 in Appendix B. So we consider constructing it by base blocks under subgroups of  $Z_{72}$ .

Let  $E = \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 70\}, F = \{0, 6, 12, \dots, 66\}$  be two subgroups of  $Z_{72}$ .

Let  $\mathcal{T}_1 = \{$

$$\{1, 9, -55\}, \{1, 57, -31\}, \{1, 33, -7\}, \{0, 8, -62\}, \{0, 14, -50\}, \{0, 26, -8\},$$

$$\{0, 56, -2\}, \{0, 62, -26\}, \{0, 38, -56\}, \{0, 32, -14\}, \{0, 2, -38\}, \{0, 50, -32\}\}$$

be a set of base blocks under  $F$  and  $\mathcal{T}_2 = \{$

$$\{1, 38, 3\}, \{1, 44, 15\}, \{1, 50, 27\}, \{1, 56, 39\}, \{1, 62, 51\}, \{1, 32, 63\},$$

$$\{0, 1, 68\}, \{0, 19, 44\}, \{0, 7, 20\}, \{1, 2, 69\}, \{1, 20, 45\}, \{1, 8, 21\}\}$$

be a set of base blocks under  $E$ .

It is easily checked that  $\mathcal{T}_1$  under  $F$  and  $\mathcal{T}_2$  under  $E$  form a 3-GDD of type  $24^3$ .

Second, by Lemma 2.2, we will partition  $\mathcal{T}_1$  into  $\mathcal{A}_1$  and  $\mathcal{B}_1$ , and partition  $\mathcal{T}_2$  into  $\mathcal{A}_2$  and  $\mathcal{B}_2$  as follows.

$$\mathcal{A}_1 = \{\{1, 9, -55\}, \{1, 57, -31\}, \{1, 33, -7\}, \{0, 8, -62\}, \{0, 14, -50\}, \{0, 26, -8\}\};$$

$$\mathcal{A}_2 = \{\{0, 1, 68\}, \{0, 19, 44\}, \{0, 7, 20\}, \{1, 38, 3\}, \{1, 44, 15\}, \{1, 50, 27\}\};$$

$$\mathcal{B}_1 = \{\{0, 56, -2\}, \{0, 62, -26\}, \{0, 38, -56\}, \{0, 32, -14\}, \{0, 2, -38\}, \{0, 50, -32\}\};$$

$$\mathcal{B}_2 = \{\{1, 2, 69\}, \{1, 20, 45\}, \{1, 8, 21\}, \{1, 56, 39\}, \{1, 62, 51\}, \{1, 32, 63\}\}.$$

Finally, by Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.4, we will arrange  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{A},i}$  and  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{B},i}$  to form an OGDD of type  $24^4$ .

The following pairs under  $F$  come from  $\mathcal{B}_1$  under the subgroup  $F$  and  $\mathcal{B}_2$  under the subgroup  $E$ .

$$\begin{array}{ll} \{0, 2 + 6s\} : s = 9, 10, 6, 5, 0, 8 & \{2, 4 + 6s\} : s = 2, 9, 8, 4, 5, 10 \\ \{4, 0 + 6s\} : s = 1, 5, 10, 3, 7, 6 & \{1, 3 + 6s\} : s = 11, 7, 3, 6, 8, 10 \\ \{3, 5 + 6s\} : s = 11, 7, 3, 6, 8, 10 & \{5, 1 + 6s\} : s = 0, 8, 4, 7, 9, 11 \\ \{1, 2 + 6s\} : s = 0, 3, 1, 9, 10, 5 & \{3, 4 + 6s\} : s = 0, 3, 1, 9, 10, 5 \\ \{5, 0 + 6s\} : s = 1, 4, 2, 10, 11, 6 & \{0, 1 + 6s\} : s = 11, 4, 2, 9, 10, 5 \\ \{2, 3 + 6s\} : s = 11, 4, 2, 9, 10, 5 & \{4, 5 + 6s\} : s = 11, 4, 2, 9, 10, 5 \end{array}$$

Arrange  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{A},i}, i = 1, 2, \dots, 24$  using the above pairs to obtain the following  $\mathcal{A}_3$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_3 = & \{\{\infty_1, 0, 56\}, \{\infty_1, 1, 69\}, \{\infty_1, 4, 71\}, \{\infty_2, 0, 62\}, \{\infty_2, 1, 45\}, \{\infty_2, 4, 29\}, \\ & \{\infty_3, 0, 38\}, \{\infty_3, 1, 21\}, \{\infty_3, 4, 17\}, \{\infty_4, 0, 32\}, \{\infty_4, 5, 1\}, \{\infty_4, 3, 4\}, \\ & \{\infty_5, 0, 2\}, \{\infty_5, 5, 49\}, \{\infty_5, 3, 22\}, \{\infty_6, 0, 50\}, \{\infty_6, 5, 25\}, \{\infty_6, 3, 10\}, \end{aligned}$$

$\{\infty_7, 2, 16\}, \{\infty_7, 1, 39\}, \{\infty_7, 5, 6\}, \{\infty_8, 2, 58\}, \{\infty_8, 1, 51\}, \{\infty_8, 5, 24\},$   
 $\{\infty_9, 2, 52\}, \{\infty_9, 1, 63\}, \{\infty_9, 5, 12\}, \{\infty_{10}, 2, 28\}, \{\infty_{10}, 3, 71\}, \{\infty_{10}, 0, 67\},$   
 $\{\infty_{11}, 2, 34\}, \{\infty_{11}, 3, 47\}, \{\infty_{11}, 0, 25\}, \{\infty_{12}, 2, 64\}, \{\infty_{12}, 3, 23\}, \{\infty_{12}, 0, 13\},$   
 $\{\infty_{13}, 4, 6\}, \{\infty_{13}, 3, 41\}, \{\infty_{13}, 1, 2\}, \{\infty_{14}, 4, 30\}, \{\infty_{14}, 3, 53\}, \{\infty_{14}, 1, 20\},$   
 $\{\infty_{15}, 4, 60\}, \{\infty_{15}, 3, 65\}, \{\infty_{15}, 1, 8\}, \{\infty_{16}, 4, 18\}, \{\infty_{16}, 5, 43\}, \{\infty_{16}, 2, 69\},$   
 $\{\infty_{17}, 4, 42\}, \{\infty_{17}, 5, 55\}, \{\infty_{17}, 2, 27\}, \{\infty_{18}, 4, 36\}, \{\infty_{18}, 5, 67\}, \{\infty_{18}, 2, 15\},$   
 $\{\infty_{19}, 1, 56\}, \{\infty_{19}, 3, 58\}, \{\infty_{19}, 5, 60\}, \{\infty_{20}, 1, 62\}, \{\infty_{20}, 3, 64\}, \{\infty_{20}, 5, 66\},$   
 $\{\infty_{21}, 1, 32\}, \{\infty_{21}, 3, 34\}, \{\infty_{21}, 5, 36\}, \{\infty_{22}, 0, 55\}, \{\infty_{22}, 2, 57\}, \{\infty_{22}, 4, 59\},$   
 $\{\infty_{23}, 0, 61\}, \{\infty_{23}, 2, 63\}, \{\infty_{23}, 4, 65\}, \{\infty_{24}, 0, 31\}, \{\infty_{24}, 2, 33\}, \{\infty_{24}, 4, 35\}.$

The following pairs under  $F$  come from  $\mathcal{A}_1$  under the subgroup  $F$  and  $\mathcal{A}_2$  under the subgroup  $E$ .

$$\begin{array}{ll}
\{0, 2 + 6s\} : s = 3, 7, 11, 4, 2, 1 & \{2, 4 + 6s\} : s = 0, 1, 6, 11, 7, 3 \\
\{4, 0 + 6s\} : s = 9, 11, 8, 0, 2, 4 & \{1, 3 + 6s\} : s = 1, 9, 5, 0, 2, 4 \\
\{3, 5 + 6s\} : s = 4, 5, 1, 0, 9, 2 & \{5, 1 + 6s\} : s = 3, 2, 5, 10, 6, 1 \\
\{1, 2 + 6s\} : s = 8, 7, 6, 11, 4, 2 & \{3, 4 + 6s\} : s = 7, 6, 8, 11, 4, 2 \\
\{5, 0 + 6s\} : s = 5, 8, 3, 9, 0, 7 & \{0, 1 + 6s\} : s = 1, 3, 8, 0, 7, 6 \\
\{2, 3 + 6s\} : s = 3, 1, 6, 7, 0, 8 & \{4, 5 + 6s\} : s = 1, 8, 3, 0, 7, 6
\end{array}$$

Arrange  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{B}, i}, i = 1, 2, \dots, 24$  using the above pairs to obtain the following  $\mathcal{B}_3$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{B}_3 = & \{ \{\infty_1, 4, 54\}, \{\infty_1, 3, 5\}, \{\infty_1, 1, 50\}, \{\infty_2, 4, 66\}, \{\infty_2, 3, 59\}, \{\infty_2, 1, 44\}, \\
& \{\infty_3, 4, 48\}, \{\infty_3, 3, 17\}, \{\infty_3, 1, 38\}, \{\infty_4, 2, 70\}, \{\infty_4, 3, 29\}, \{\infty_4, 0, 7\}, \\
& \{\infty_5, 2, 46\}, \{\infty_5, 3, 35\}, \{\infty_5, 0, 19\}, \{\infty_6, 2, 22\}, \{\infty_6, 3, 11\}, \{\infty_6, 0, 49\}, \\
& \{\infty_7, 4, 0\}, \{\infty_7, 5, 61\}, \{\infty_7, 2, 21\}, \{\infty_8, 4, 12\}, \{\infty_8, 5, 37\}, \{\infty_8, 2, 9\}, \\
& \{\infty_9, 4, 24\}, \{\infty_9, 5, 7\}, \{\infty_9, 2, 39\}, \{\infty_{10}, 0, 26\}, \{\infty_{10}, 5, 19\}, \{\infty_{10}, 3, 46\}, \\
& \{\infty_{11}, 0, 14\}, \{\infty_{11}, 5, 13\}, \{\infty_{11}, 3, 40\}, \{\infty_{12}, 0, 8\}, \{\infty_{12}, 5, 31\}, \{\infty_{12}, 3, 52\}, \\
& \{\infty_{13}, 0, 20\}, \{\infty_{13}, 1, 9\}, \{\infty_{13}, 4, 11\}, \{\infty_{14}, 0, 44\}, \{\infty_{14}, 1, 57\}, \{\infty_{14}, 4, 53\}, \\
& \{\infty_{15}, 0, 68\}, \{\infty_{15}, 1, 33\}, \{\infty_{15}, 4, 23\}, \{\infty_{16}, 2, 4\}, \{\infty_{16}, 1, 3\}, \{\infty_{16}, 5, 30\}, \\
& \{\infty_{17}, 2, 10\}, \{\infty_{17}, 1, 15\}, \{\infty_{17}, 5, 48\}, \{\infty_{18}, 2, 40\}, \{\infty_{18}, 1, 27\}, \{\infty_{18}, 5, 18\}, \\
& \{\infty_{19}, 0, 1\}, \{\infty_{19}, 2, 45\}, \{\infty_{19}, 4, 5\}, \{\infty_{20}, 0, 43\}, \{\infty_{20}, 2, 3\}, \{\infty_{20}, 4, 47\}, \\
& \{\infty_{21}, 0, 37\}, \{\infty_{21}, 2, 51\}, \{\infty_{21}, 4, 41\}, \{\infty_{22}, 1, 68\}, \{\infty_{22}, 3, 70\}, \{\infty_{22}, 5, 54\}, \\
& \{\infty_{23}, 1, 26\}, \{\infty_{23}, 3, 28\}, \{\infty_{23}, 5, 0\}, \{\infty_{24}, 1, 14\}, \{\infty_{24}, 3, 16\}, \{\infty_{24}, 5, 42\} \}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.5** *There exists an OGDD of type  $24^4$  and furthermore there exists an OGDD of type  $g^4$  for all positive integers  $g \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .*

*Proof.* Define a 3-GDD of type  $24^4$  by developing the three sets of base blocks:  $\mathcal{A}_1$  under the subgroup  $F$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_2$  under the subgroup  $E$  and  $\mathcal{A}_3$  under the subgroup  $F$ .

Form a second 3-GDD by developing the three sets of base blocks:  $\mathcal{B}_1$  under the subgroup  $F$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_2$  under the subgroup  $E$  and  $\mathcal{B}_3$  under the subgroup  $F$ . It is readily checked that the two 3-GDDs are orthogonal (see Appendix C).  $\square$

The question that still remains open is whether there is any value of  $g \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  for which an OGDD of type  $g^4$  exists.

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## Appendix A

Let  $X = Z_{8h}, H = \{0, 4, 8, \dots, 8h - 4\}$  be a subgroup of  $Z_{8h}$ , and  $G_i = H + i, i = 0, 1, 2, 3$ . In the following we will show

**Theorem 3.1** *There is no OGDD of type  $(2h)^4$  for which all blocks are developed by base blocks under  $Z_{8h}$ .*

Assume that  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  are two sets of base blocks under  $Z_{8h}$  for an OGDD of type  $(2h)^4$ , for which the four groups are  $G_0, G_1, G_2$  and  $G_3$ .

Without loss of generality, we can let

$$\mathcal{A} = \{\{0, a_i, a_i + b_i\} : i = 0, 1, \dots, h - 1\}$$

be the base blocks of the first 3-GDD, and

$$\mathcal{B} = \{\{0, a_i, a_i + d_i\} : i = 0, 1, \dots, h - 1\}$$

be the base blocks of the second 3-GDD, where

$$a_i = 4i + 2, b_i, d_i \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}, i = 0, 1, \dots, h - 1.$$

From the orthogonality of an OGDD, it is easy to see that

- (i)  $\{b_i, a_i + b_i, d_i, a_i + d_i : i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, h - 1\} = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 8h - 1\}$ ;
- (ii)  $d_i - b_i \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

Without loss of generality, we can let

$$b_i \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, i = 0, 1, \dots, s - 1; \quad b_j \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, j = s, s + 1, \dots, h - 1.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} a_i + b_i &\equiv 3 \pmod{4}, i = 0, 1, \dots, s - 1; \\ a_j + b_j &\equiv 1 \pmod{4}, j = s, s + 1, \dots, h - 1. \end{aligned}$$

By (ii)

$$d_i \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, s-1; \quad d_j \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \quad j = s, s+1, \dots, h-1.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} a_i + d_i &\equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, s-1; \\ a_j + d_j &\equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \quad j = s, s+1, \dots, h-1. \end{aligned}$$

By (i), the sum of all numbers which is 1 modulo 4 is

$$\Sigma b_i + \Sigma(a_j + b_j) + \Sigma d_j + \Sigma(a_i + d_i) \equiv (8h-2)h \pmod{8h}.$$

By (i), the sum of all numbers which is 3 modulo 4 is

$$\Sigma b_j + \Sigma(a_i + b_i) + \Sigma d_i + \Sigma(a_j + d_j) \equiv (8h-2)h \pmod{8h}.$$

It is clear that the left sides of the above two equalities are the same; this forces  $(8h-2)h \equiv (8h+2)h \pmod{8h}$ , that is,  $4h \equiv 0 \pmod{8h}$ , which is impossible.

## Appendix B

Let  $X = Z_{6h}$ ,  $H = \{0, 3, 6, \dots, 6h-3\}$  be a subgroup of  $Z_{6h}$ , and  $G_i = H+i$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2$ . In the following we will show

**Theorem 4.1** *There is no 3-GDD of type  $3^{2h}$  for which all blocks are developed by base blocks under  $Z_{6h}$ .*

Assume that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a set of base blocks under  $Z_{6h}$  for a 3-GDD of type  $3^{2h}$ , for which the three groups are  $G_0, G_1, G_2$ .

It is easy to see that the number of base blocks is  $2h/3$ , so  $h \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ . It is clear that one base block yields four or zero odd differences, so  $h \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . Hence  $h = 6n$ . Without loss of generality, we can let

$$\mathcal{A} = \{\{0, a_i, a_i + b_i\} : i = 0, 1, \dots, 4n-1\}$$

be the base blocks of the 3-GDD, where

$$\begin{aligned} a_i \equiv b_i &\equiv 1 \pmod{6}, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, 3n-1; \\ a_j \equiv b_j &\equiv 2 \pmod{6}, \quad j = 3n, 3n+1, \dots, 4n-1. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \{a_i, b_i, a_i + b_i, a_j, b_j, 36n - (a_j + b_j) : i = 0, 1, \dots, 3n-1, j = 3n, 3n+1, \dots, 4n-1\} \\ = \{6k+1, 6k+2 : k = 0, 1, \dots, 6n-1\}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\Sigma(a_i + b_i) + \Sigma a_j + \Sigma b_j + \Sigma(36n - a_j - b_j) \equiv \Sigma a_i + \Sigma b_i \pmod{36n}.$$

Hence

$$2 + 8 + \dots + 36n - 4 \equiv 1 + 7 + \dots + 36n - 5 \pmod{36n}.$$

That is,  $6n \equiv 0 \pmod{36n}$ , which is impossible.

### Appendix C

Let  $\mathcal{A} = \{A + g : A \in \mathcal{A}_1 \cup \mathcal{A}_3, g \in F\} \cup \{A + g : A \in \mathcal{A}_2, g \in E\}$ ,  
 $\mathcal{B} = \{B + g : B \in \mathcal{B}_1 \cup \mathcal{B}_3, g \in F\} \cup \{B + g : B \in \mathcal{B}_2, g \in E\}$ .

The following seven tables show that  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  satisfy the two orthogonal conditions. The first table means

$$\{0, 4, 5\}, \{0, 28, 47\}, \dots, \{0, 23, 49\}, \{0, \infty_1, 56\}, \{0, \infty_2, 62\}, \dots, \{0, \infty_{24}, 31\} \in \mathcal{A}$$

and  $\{4, 5, \infty_{19}\}, \{28, 47, \infty_{15}\}, \dots, \{23, 49, \infty_{12}\}, \{\infty_1, 56, 7\}, \{\infty_2, 62, 19\}, \dots, \{\infty_{24}, 31, 44\} \in \mathcal{B}$ . Since the 36 points,  $\infty_{19}, \infty_{15}, \dots, \infty_{12}, 7, 19, \dots, 44$ , are distinct and in different groups with 0, we have that condition (i) holds with

$$\{x, y\} \in \{\{4, 5\}, \{28, 47\}, \dots, \{23, 49\}, \{\infty_1, 56\}, \{\infty_2, 62\}, \dots, \{\infty_{24}, 31\}$$

and the condition (ii) holds with  $z = 0$ .

The last table means

$$\{\infty_1, 0, 56\}, \{\infty_1, 1, 69\}, \{\infty_1, 4, 71\} \in \mathcal{A}$$

and

$$\{0, 56, 70\}, \{1, 69, 2\}, \{4, 71, 3\} \in \mathcal{B}.$$

Hence

$$\{\infty_1, 0, 56\} + g, \{\infty_1, 1, 69\} + g, \{\infty_1, 4, 71\} + g \in \mathcal{A}, g \in F$$

and

$$\{0, 56, 70\} + g, \{1, 69, 2\} + g, \{4, 71, 3\} + g \in \mathcal{B}, g \in F.$$

Since the 36 points,  $70 + g, 2 + g, 3 + g : g \in F$ , are distinct and in different groups with  $\infty_1$ , we have that condition (i) holds with

$$\{x, y\} \in \{\{0, 56\} + g, \{1, 69\} + g, \{4, 71\} + g : g \in F\}$$

and condition (ii) holds with  $z = \infty_1$ .

### 0 orthogonality

4, 5	$\infty_{19}$	28, 47	$\infty_{15}$	52, 59	$\infty_{13}$
7, 20	$\infty_{24}$	19, 44	$\infty_{23}$	1, 68	$\infty_{22}$
8, 10	$\infty_{16}$	14, 22	$\infty_{17}$	26, 64	$\infty_{18}$
35, 37	$\infty_9$	29, 43	$\infty_{10}$	23, 49	$\infty_{12}$
$\infty_1, 56$	7	$\infty_2, 62$	19	$\infty_3, 38$	1
$\infty_4, 32$	28	$\infty_5, 2$	46	$\infty_6, 50$	70
$\infty_7, 71$	55	$\infty_8, 53$	13	$\infty_9, 65$	67
$\infty_{10}, 67$	53	$\infty_{11}, 25$	17	$\infty_{12}, 13$	59
$\infty_{13}, 70$	5	$\infty_{14}, 46$	23	$\infty_{15}, 16$	35
$\infty_{16}, 58$	56	$\infty_{17}, 34$	26	$\infty_{18}, 40$	2
$\infty_{19}, 17$	16	$\infty_{20}, 11$	40	$\infty_{21}, 41$	4
$\infty_{22}, 55$	50	$\infty_{23}, 61$	14	$\infty_{24}, 31$	44

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9, 17	$\infty_6$	57, 41	$\infty_2$	33, 65	$\infty_5$
0, 68	$\infty_{15}$	54, 26	$\infty_{14}$	66, 14	$\infty_{13}$
38, 3	$\infty_9$	71, 36	$\infty_{24}$	44, 15	$\infty_{19}$
59, 30	$\infty_{17}$	50, 27	$\infty_{21}$	47, 24	$\infty_{22}$
$\infty_1, 69$	71	$\infty_2, 45$	29	$\infty_3, 21$	35
$\infty_4, 5$	51	$\infty_5, 29$	69	$\infty_6, 53$	45
$\infty_7, 39$	20	$\infty_8, 51$	44	$\infty_9, 63$	26
$\infty_{10}, 6$	32	$\infty_{11}, 48$	62	$\infty_{12}, 60$	68
$\infty_{13}, 2$	54	$\infty_{14}, 20$	48	$\infty_{15}, 8$	12
$\infty_{16}, 35$	60	$\infty_{17}, 23$	66	$\infty_{18}, 11$	24
$\infty_{19}, 56$	27	$\infty_{20}, 62$	63	$\infty_{21}, 32$	9
$\infty_{22}, 18$	41	$\infty_{23}, 12$	17	$\infty_{24}, 42$	5

**2 orthogonality**

66, 4	$\infty_2$	60, 10	$\infty_1$	48, 40	$\infty_8$
3, 70	$\infty_{22}$	6, 7	$\infty_{19}$	21, 46	$\infty_{23}$
30, 49	$\infty_5$	9, 22	$\infty_{24}$	54, 61	$\infty_4$
37, 39	$\infty_{16}$	31, 45	$\infty_{17}$	25, 51	$\infty_{18}$
$\infty_1, 18$	40	$\infty_2, 12$	22	$\infty_3, 36$	64
$\infty_4, 42$	49	$\infty_5, 0$	19	$\infty_6, 24$	1
$\infty_7, 16$	12	$\infty_8, 58$	66	$\infty_9, 52$	0
$\infty_{10}, 28$	57	$\infty_{11}, 34$	69	$\infty_{12}, 64$	15
$\infty_{13}, 1$	9	$\infty_{14}, 55$	39	$\infty_{15}, 67$	27
$\infty_{16}, 69$	67	$\infty_{17}, 27$	13	$\infty_{18}, 15$	61
$\infty_{19}, 19$	18	$\infty_{20}, 13$	42	$\infty_{21}, 43$	6
$\infty_{22}, 57$	52	$\infty_{23}, 63$	16	$\infty_{24}, 33$	46

**3 orthogonality**

67, 11	$\infty_7$	19, 59	$\infty_8$	43, 35	$\infty_{11}$
2, 70	$\infty_4$	56, 28	$\infty_5$	68, 16	$\infty_6$
40, 5	$\infty_{21}$	1, 38	$\infty_3$	46, 17	$\infty_{20}$
61, 32	$\infty_2$	52, 29	$\infty_{14}$	49, 26	$\infty_1$
$\infty_1, 7$	56	$\infty_2, 31$	2	$\infty_3, 55$	20
$\infty_4, 4$	8	$\infty_5, 22$	50	$\infty_6, 10$	62
$\infty_7, 37$	53	$\infty_8, 25$	65	$\infty_9, 13$	11
$\infty_{10}, 71$	13	$\infty_{11}, 47$	55	$\infty_{12}, 23$	49
$\infty_{13}, 41$	34	$\infty_{14}, 53$	4	$\infty_{15}, 65$	46
$\infty_{16}, 8$	10	$\infty_{17}, 50$	58	$\infty_{18}, 62$	28
$\infty_{19}, 58$	59	$\infty_{20}, 64$	35	$\infty_{21}, 34$	71
$\infty_{22}, 20$	25	$\infty_{23}, 14$	61	$\infty_{24}, 44$	31

## 4 orthogonality

66, 2	$\infty_{12}$	54, 68	$\infty_{11}$	12, 38	$\infty_{10}$
5, 72	$\infty_{23}$	8, 9	$\infty_{20}$	23, 48	$\infty_{16}$
32, 51	$\infty_7$	11, 24	$\infty_{18}$	56, 63	$\infty_8$
39, 41	$\infty_1$	33, 47	$\infty_3$	27, 53	$\infty_4$
$\infty_1, 71$	69	$\infty_2, 29$	45	$\infty_3, 17$	3
$\infty_4, 3$	29	$\infty_5, 57$	17	$\infty_6, 69$	5
$\infty_7, 62$	9	$\infty_8, 20$	27	$\infty_9, 26$	63
$\infty_{10}, 50$	24	$\infty_{11}, 44$	30	$\infty_{12}, 14$	6
$\infty_{13}, 6$	26	$\infty_{14}, 30$	2	$\infty_{15}, 60$	56
$\infty_{16}, 18$	65	$\infty_{17}, 42$	71	$\infty_{18}, 36$	23
$\infty_{19}, 21$	50	$\infty_{20}, 15$	14	$\infty_{21}, 45$	68
$\infty_{22}, 59$	36	$\infty_{23}, 65$	60	$\infty_{24}, 35$	0

## 5 orthogonality

61, 69	$\infty_{13}$	37, 21	$\infty_{14}$	13, 45	$\infty_{15}$
4, 0	$\infty_7$	58, 30	$\infty_3$	70, 18	$\infty_9$
42, 7	$\infty_{21}$	3, 40	$\infty_{11}$	48, 19	$\infty_{20}$
63, 34	$\infty_{10}$	54, 31	$\infty_6$	51, 28	$\infty_{12}$
$\infty_1, 10$	60	$\infty_2, 52$	42	$\infty_3, 64$	36
$\infty_4, 1$	66	$\infty_5, 49$	30	$\infty_6, 25$	48
$\infty_7, 6$	10	$\infty_8, 24$	16	$\infty_9, 12$	64
$\infty_{10}, 9$	52	$\infty_{11}, 33$	70	$\infty_{12}, 57$	34
$\infty_{13}, 39$	31	$\infty_{14}, 27$	43	$\infty_{15}, 15$	55
$\infty_{16}, 43$	45	$\infty_{17}, 55$	69	$\infty_{18}, 67$	21
$\infty_{19}, 60$	61	$\infty_{20}, 66$	37	$\infty_{21}, 36$	1
$\infty_{22}, 22$	27	$\infty_{23}, 16$	63	$\infty_{24}, 46$	33

$\infty$  orthogonality

$\infty_1$	0, 56	70	$\infty_1$	1, 69	2	$\infty_1$	4, 71	3
$\infty_2$	0, 62	46	$\infty_2$	1, 45	20	$\infty_2$	4, 29	57
$\infty_3$	0, 38	16	$\infty_3$	1, 21	8	$\infty_3$	4, 17	69
$\infty_4$	0, 32	58	$\infty_4$	5, 1	6	$\infty_4$	3, 4	71
$\infty_5$	0, 2	34	$\infty_5$	5, 49	24	$\infty_5$	3, 22	47
$\infty_6$	0, 50	40	$\infty_6$	5, 25	12	$\infty_6$	3, 10	23
$\infty_7$	2, 16	18	$\infty_7$	1, 39	56	$\infty_7$	5, 6	1
$\infty_8$	2, 58	12	$\infty_8$	1, 51	62	$\infty_8$	5, 24	49
$\infty_9$	2, 52	36	$\infty_9$	1, 63	32	$\infty_9$	5, 12	25
$\infty_{10}$	2, 28	42	$\infty_{10}$	3, 71	4	$\infty_{10}$	0, 67	71
$\infty_{11}$	2, 34	0	$\infty_{11}$	3, 47	22	$\infty_{11}$	0, 25	53
$\infty_{12}$	2, 64	24	$\infty_{12}$	3, 23	10	$\infty_{12}$	0, 13	65
$\infty_{13}$	4, 6	62	$\infty_{13}$	3, 41	58	$\infty_{13}$	1, 2	69
$\infty_{14}$	4, 30	20	$\infty_{14}$	3, 53	64	$\infty_{14}$	1, 20	45
$\infty_{15}$	4, 60	26	$\infty_{15}$	3, 65	34	$\infty_{15}$	1, 8	21
$\infty_{16}$	4, 18	50	$\infty_{16}$	5, 43	60	$\infty_{16}$	2, 69	1
$\infty_{17}$	4, 42	44	$\infty_{17}$	5, 55	66	$\infty_{17}$	2, 27	55
$\infty_{18}$	4, 36	14	$\infty_{18}$	5, 67	36	$\infty_{18}$	2, 15	67
$\infty_{19}$	1, 56	39	$\infty_{19}$	3, 58	41	$\infty_{19}$	5, 60	43
$\infty_{20}$	1, 62	51	$\infty_{20}$	3, 64	53	$\infty_{20}$	5, 66	55
$\infty_{21}$	1, 32	63	$\infty_{21}$	3, 34	65	$\infty_{21}$	5, 36	67
$\infty_{22}$	0, 55	17	$\infty_{22}$	2, 57	19	$\infty_{22}$	4, 59	21
$\infty_{23}$	0, 61	11	$\infty_{23}$	2, 63	13	$\infty_{23}$	4, 65	15
$\infty_{24}$	0, 31	41	$\infty_{24}$	2, 33	43	$\infty_{24}$	4, 35	45

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