

# Supplementary difference sets related to a certain class of complex spherical 2-codes

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## Abstract

In this paper, we study skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets related to a certain class of complex spherical 2-codes. A classification of such supplementary difference sets is completed for  $v \leq 51$ .

## 1 Introduction

Let  $\Omega(d)$  denote the complex unit sphere in  $\mathbb{C}^d$ . For a finite set  $X$  in  $\Omega(d)$ , define

$$A(X) = \{x^*y \mid x, y \in X, x \neq y\},$$

where  $x^*$  is the transpose conjugate of a column vector  $x$ . A finite set  $X$  is called a *complex spherical 2-code* if  $|A(X)| = 2$  and  $A(X)$  contains an imaginary number. A complex spherical 2-code  $X$  with  $A(X) = \{\alpha, \bar{\alpha}\}$  has the structure of a tournament  $(X, E)$ , where  $E = \{(x, y) \in X \times X \mid x^*y = \alpha\}$  [12]. We say that the tournament  $(X, E)$  is attached to the complex spherical 2-code  $X$ .

**Theorem 1.1** (Nozaki and Suda [12, Theorem 4.8]). *Let  $X$  be a complex spherical 2-code in  $\Omega(d)$ . Let  $A$  be the adjacency matrix of the tournament  $G$  attached to  $X$ .*

- (1)  $|X| \leq 2d + 1$  if  $d$  is odd, and  $|X| \leq 2d$  if  $d$  is even.
- (2)  $|X| = 2d + 1$  for odd  $d$  if and only if  $G$  is a doubly regular tournament.
- (3)  $|X| = 2d$  for even  $d$  if and only if  $I + A - A^T$  is a skew-Hadamard matrix, where  $I$  is the identity matrix and  $A^T$  denotes the transposed matrix of  $A$ .
- (4)  $|X| = 2d$  for odd  $d$  if and only if one of the following occurs:
  - (a)  $A$  is obtained as the adjacency matrix of the induced subgraph of some doubly regular tournament by deleting a certain vertex.
  - (b) There exists a permutation matrix  $P$  such that

$$P(I + A - A^T)(I + A - A^T)^T P^T = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha I + \beta J & O \\ O & \alpha I + \beta J \end{pmatrix},$$

for some integers  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $\alpha \geq 2, \beta \geq 1$ , where  $J$  denotes the all-one matrix and  $O$  denotes the zero matrix of appropriate size.

Doubly regular tournaments have been widely studied (see e.g., [8, 11, 13–15]). Skew-Hadamard matrices are a class of Hadamard matrices, which has been widely studied (see e.g., [2, 5, 6, 11, 13, 15, 18]). These motivate our investigation of matrices  $M$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (1)  $M$  is a  $2d \times 2d$   $(1, -1)$ -matrix with  $d$  odd,
- (2)  $M - I = -(M - I)^T$ , that is,  $M$  is skew-symmetric,
- (3)  $MM^T = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha I + \beta J & O \\ O & \alpha I + \beta J \end{pmatrix}$  for some integers  $\alpha, \beta$  with  $\alpha \geq 2, \beta \geq 1$ .

In this paper, with this motivation, we study skew-symmetry for  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets satisfying the following conditions:

- (4)  $v$  is an odd positive integer,
- (5)  $4(r + k - \lambda) \geq 2$ ,
- (6)  $2(v - 2(r + k - \lambda)) \geq 1$ .

These supplementary difference sets give matrices  $M$  satisfying (1)–(3) (Proposition 3.2).

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we give definitions and we recall notions on supplementary difference sets and  $D$ -optimal designs. Some basic facts on these subjects are also provided. In Section 3, we give some observations on skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets. In Section 4, we describe how to classify skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets satisfying (4)–(6). In Section 5, we give a classification of skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets satisfying (4)–(6) for  $v \leq 51$  (Theorem 5.1). This is the main result of this paper. Skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal designs satisfying (9) are corresponding to a special class of supplementary difference sets. In Section 6, as a consequence of Theorem 5.1, we give a classification of skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal designs meeting (8) for orders up to 110.

## 2 Preliminaries

In this section, we give definitions and we recall notions on supplementary difference sets and  $D$ -optimal designs. Some basic facts on these subjects are also provided.

### 2.1 Supplementary difference sets

Let  $\mathbb{Z}_v = \{0, 1, \dots, v-1\}$  be the ring of integers modulo  $v$ , where  $v > 2$ . For  $A \subset \mathbb{Z}_v$  and  $i \in \mathbb{Z}_v$ , define

$$P_A(i) = |\{(x, y) \in A \times A \mid y - x = i\}| \text{ and} \\ P_A = (P_A(1), P_A(2), \dots, P_A(v-1)).$$

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be an  $r$ -subset and a  $k$ -subset of  $\mathbb{Z}_v$ , respectively. If a pair  $(A, B)$  satisfies

$$P_A + P_B = (\lambda, \lambda, \dots, \lambda),$$

then it is called a  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  *supplementary difference set*. We refer to [3, 9, 16, 17] for basic facts on supplementary difference sets.

**Lemma 2.1** (Wallis [16, Lemma 1]). *If there exists a  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference set, then*

$$r(r-1) + k(k-1) = \lambda(v-1). \quad (7)$$

Chadjipantelis and Kounias [3, Appendix] gave a correspondence between  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets and pairs of circulant matrices. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be an  $r$ -subset and a  $k$ -subset of  $\mathbb{Z}_v$ , respectively. Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  be the circulant  $v \times v$   $(1, -1)$ -matrices with first rows  $r_1 = (r_{1,1}, r_{1,2}, \dots, r_{1,v})$  and  $r_2 = (r_{2,1}, r_{2,2}, \dots, r_{2,v})$ , respectively. The correspondence was defined as follows:  $r_{1,i+1} = -1$  if  $i \in A$ ,  $r_{1,i+1} = 1$  if  $i \notin A$  and  $r_{2,i+1} = -1$  if  $i \in B$ ,  $r_{2,i+1} = 1$  if  $i \notin B$ .

**Lemma 2.2** (Chadjipantelis and Kounias [3, Appendix]). *A pair  $(A, B)$  is a  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference set if and only if  $R_1 R_1^T + R_2 R_2^T = 4(r+k-\lambda)I + 2(v-2(r+k-\lambda))J$ .*

### 2.2 $D$ -optimal designs and supplementary difference sets

A  $D$ -optimal design of order  $n$  is an  $n \times n$   $(1, -1)$ -matrix having maximum determinant. Ehlich [4] showed that for  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $n > 2$ , any  $n \times n$   $(1, -1)$ -matrix  $M$  satisfies

$$\det M \leq (2n - 2)(n - 2)^{(n-2)/2}, \tag{8}$$

and that equality is possible only if  $2n - 2$  is a sum of two perfect squares. Moreover, if  $n = 2v \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ , and both  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  are  $v \times v$  commutative  $(1, -1)$ -matrices such that

$$R_1 R_1^T + R_2 R_2^T = (2v - 2)I + 2J, \tag{9}$$

then

$$X(R_1, R_2) = \begin{pmatrix} R_1 & R_2 \\ -R_2^T & R_1^T \end{pmatrix} \tag{10}$$

is a  $D$ -optimal design meeting the above bound (8) [4].

If the matrices  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  in (10) are circulant, then  $X(R_1, R_2)$  is called a *circulant  $D$ -optimal design* meeting (8) [10]. Most of the known  $D$ -optimal designs meeting (8) are circulant (see e.g., [1, 3, 5, 9, 10]). If  $X(R_1, R_2)$  is a circulant  $D$ -optimal design meeting (8), then it was shown in [3] that

$$(v - 2r)^2 + (v - 2k)^2 = 2n - 2, \tag{11}$$

where  $r$  and  $k$  are the numbers of  $-1$ 's in the first rows of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , respectively.

By Lemma 2.2, we have the following:

**Lemma 2.3** (Chadjipantelis and Kounias [3, Appendix]). *Let  $A$  and  $B$  be an  $r$ -subset and a  $k$ -subset of  $\mathbb{Z}_v$ , respectively. Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  be the corresponding circulant  $v \times v$   $(1, -1)$ -matrices described in Section 2.1. A pair  $(A, B)$  is a  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; r + k - (v - 1)/2\}$  supplementary difference set if and only if  $X(R_1, R_2)$  in (10) is a circulant  $D$ -optimal design of order  $2v$  meeting (8), where  $r$  and  $k$  are the numbers of  $-1$ 's in the first rows of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , respectively.*

### 3 Skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets

Let  $(A, B)$  be a supplementary difference set. Let  $R_1$  and  $R_2$  denote the corresponding circulant  $v \times v$   $(1, -1)$ -matrices described in Section 2.1. Then we consider the following matrix:

$$X(R_1, R_2) = \begin{pmatrix} R_1 & R_2 \\ -R_2^T & R_1^T \end{pmatrix}. \tag{12}$$

We call  $(A, B)$  *skew-symmetric* if the corresponding matrix  $X(R_1, R_2)$  in (12) is skew-symmetric. Equivalently,  $(A, B)$  is skew-symmetric if  $A$  satisfies the condition that  $0 \notin A$  and if  $i \in A$  then  $-i \notin A$ . In [2, 15, 18], skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; (v - 1)/2, (v - 1)/2; (v - 3)/2\}$  supplementary difference sets are called complementary difference sets and these difference sets were used to construct skew-Hadamard matrices.

**Lemma 3.1.** *The matrix  $X(R_1, R_2)$  in (12) is skew-symmetric if and only if  $r_{1,1} = 1$  and  $r_{1,i} = -r_{1,v+2-i}$  ( $i = 2, 3, \dots, v$ ). If  $X(R_1, R_2)$  is skew-symmetric, then  $r = \frac{v-1}{2}$ .*

*Proof.* The elementary proof is omitted. □

By Lemma 2.2, we have the following:

**Proposition 3.2.** *If there exists a skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference set satisfying (4)–(6). Then there exists a matrix  $M$  satisfying (1)–(3) for  $(\alpha, \beta) = (4(r + k - \lambda), 2(v - 2(r + k - \lambda)))$ .*

Now we give a remark on the condition (5) for skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets.

**Proposition 3.3.** *Suppose that  $k \leq \frac{v-1}{2}$ . If there exists a skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference set  $(A, B)$ , then  $r + k - \lambda \geq 1$ , that is,  $(A, B)$  satisfies (5).*

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.1,  $r = \frac{v-1}{2}$ . Hence, it follows from (7) that

$$r + k - \lambda = \frac{(v + 2k)(v - 2k) - 1 + 4kv}{4(v - 1)}.$$

From the assumption,  $r + k - \lambda > 0$ . The result follows. □

For the case  $k \in \{0, 1\}$ ,  $2\text{-}\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets are characterized as follows. Although the following characterization is somewhat trivial, it was not explicitly stated in the literature. We give a proof for the sake of completeness.

**Proposition 3.4.** *The following statements are equivalent.*

- (1) *There exists a skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{4m - 1; 2m - 1, k; m - 1\}$  supplementary difference set with  $k = 0$  and 1.*
- (2) *There exists a circulant Hadamard  $2\text{-}(4m - 1, 2m - 1, m - 1)$  design with incidence matrix  $M$  satisfying that  $M + M^T + I = J$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that there exists a skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{4m - 1; 2m - 1, k; m - 1\}$  supplementary difference set  $(A, B)$  with  $k \in \{0, 1\}$ . Then  $A$  is a  $(4m - 1, 2m - 1, m - 1)$ -difference set. Let  $M$  be an incidence matrix of  $A$ . Then  $M$  is an incidence matrix of a circulant Hadamard  $2\text{-}(4m - 1, 2m - 1, m - 1)$  design. Since  $A$  satisfies the condition that if  $i \in A$  then  $-i \notin A$ ,  $M$  satisfies the condition that  $M + M^T + I = J$ .

Suppose that there exists a circulant Hadamard  $2\text{-}(4m - 1, 2m - 1, m - 1)$  design with incidence matrix  $M$  satisfying that  $M + M^T + I = J$ . By reversing the above argument, a  $(4m - 1, 2m - 1, m - 1)$ -difference set  $A$  satisfying the condition that if  $i \in A$  then  $-i \notin A$  is constructed. Then  $(A, \emptyset)$  and  $(A, \{0\})$  are skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets with parameters  $(v, r, k, \lambda) = (4m - 1, 2m - 1, 0, m - 1)$  and  $(4m - 1, 2m - 1, 1, m - 1)$ , respectively. □

Suppose that  $p$  is a prime with  $p \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . Then it is well known that there exists a circulant Hadamard  $2$ - $(p, \frac{p-1}{2}, \frac{p-3}{4})$  design with incidence matrix  $A$  satisfying that  $A + A^T + I = J$  (see e.g., [7, Lemma 7.10]). This implies the existence of skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets with parameters  $2$ - $\{p; \frac{p-1}{2}, 0; \frac{p-3}{4}\}$  and  $2$ - $\{p; \frac{p-1}{2}, 1; \frac{p-3}{4}\}$ .

### 4 Classification method

In this section, we describe how to classify skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets satisfying (4)–(6).

#### 4.1 Equivalent supplementary difference sets

If  $(A, B)$  is a supplementary difference set, then the following pairs

$$(E0) \quad (\mathbb{Z}_v \setminus A, B) \text{ and } (A, \mathbb{Z}_v \setminus B),$$

$$(E1) \quad (B, A),$$

$$(E2) \quad (\pm A + a, \pm B + b) \text{ for any } a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_v,$$

$$(E3) \quad (dA, dB) \text{ for any } d \in U(\mathbb{Z}_v)$$

are also supplementary difference sets, where  $U(\mathbb{Z}_v) = \{d \in \{1, 2, \dots, v - 1\} \mid \gcd(d, v) = 1\}$  and  $d$  is regarded as an integer for  $\gcd(d, v) = 1$ . These supplementary difference sets are called *equivalent* [10].

#### 4.2 Classification method

Let  $(A, B)$  be a skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference set satisfying (4), (6). By Lemma 3.1,  $r = \frac{v-1}{2}$ . By (E0), we may assume without loss of generality that  $k \leq \frac{v-1}{2}$ . We note that  $(A, B)$  satisfies (5) by Proposition 3.3 under this assumption. In addition, if  $r = k$ , then it follows from (7) that  $2(v - 2(r + k - \lambda)) = -2$ . Hence, we may assume without loss of generality that

$$k < \frac{v - 1}{2} = r. \tag{13}$$

Since  $A$  corresponds to a skew-symmetric matrix, there exists  $A' \subset \mathbb{Z}'_v$  such that  $A = A' \cup \{v - j \mid j \in \mathbb{Z}'_v \setminus A'\}$ , where  $\mathbb{Z}'_v = \{1, 2, \dots, (v - 1)/2\} \subset \mathbb{Z}_v$ . By (E2),  $(A, B + b)$  is a skew-symmetric supplementary difference set for any  $b \in \mathbb{Z}_v$ . We classify skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; (v - 1)/2, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets satisfying (4), (6) by the following steps.

- (i) We calculate  $\overline{\mathcal{A}} = \{A' \cup \{v - j \mid j \in \mathbb{Z}'_v \setminus A'\} \mid A' \subset \mathbb{Z}'_v\}$ . Then we find  $\mathcal{A} = \{A \in \overline{\mathcal{A}} \mid P_A(i) \leq \lambda \text{ for all } i\}$ .

- (ii) We calculate  $\overline{\mathcal{B}} = \{B \subset \mathbb{Z}_v \mid |B| = k, B \preceq B + b \text{ for any } b \in \mathbb{Z}_v\}$ , where  $\preceq$  is a natural lexicographic order on  $k$ -subsets of  $\mathbb{Z}_v$ . Then we find  $\mathcal{B} = \{B \in \overline{\mathcal{B}} \mid P_B(i) \leq \lambda \text{ for all } i\}$ .
- (iii) We construct  $\mathcal{AB} = \{(A, B) \in \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B} \mid P_A + P_B = (\lambda, \lambda, \dots, \lambda)\}$ .
- (iv) We classify  $\mathcal{AB}$ .

In Step (i) (resp. (ii)), we found all  $((v-1)/2)$ -subsets (resp.  $k$ -subsets) of  $\mathbb{Z}_v$  by a computer program implemented in C language using functions from the GNU Scientific Library (GSL) software library, then we output  $A$  and  $(\lambda, \lambda, \dots, \lambda) - P_A$  (resp.  $B$  and  $P_B$ ) to a file. We sorted the above data by  $(\lambda, \lambda, \dots, \lambda) - P_A$  (resp.  $P_B$ ). We found a pair  $(A, B)$  with  $(\lambda, \lambda, \dots, \lambda) - P_A = P_B$  in Step (iii). Two skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; (v-1)/2, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets  $(A, B)$  and  $(A', B')$  are equivalent if and only if  $(A', B')$  is an element of  $\{(\pm dA + a, \pm dB + b) \mid d \in U(\mathbb{Z}_v), a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_v\}$ . In Step (iv), for  $(A, B)$  and  $(A', B')$ , we determined whether there exist  $d \in U(\mathbb{Z}_v)$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_v$  such that  $(A', B') = (dA + a, dB + b), (dA + a, -dB + b), (-dA + a, dB + b)$  or  $(-dA + a, -dB + b)$ . This was done by using the program implemented in C language.

## 5 Classification of skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets

In this section, we give a classification of skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary differences sets satisfying (4)–(6) for  $v \leq 51$ . This is the main result of this paper. As described in Proposition 3.2, a skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference set satisfying (4)–(6), gives a matrix  $M$  satisfying (1)–(3) for  $(\alpha, \beta) = (4(r+k-\lambda), 2(v-2(r+k-\lambda)))$ .

We call  $(v, r, k, \lambda)$  *feasible parameters* for supplementary difference sets if  $(v, r, k, \lambda)$  satisfies (4)–(6), (7) and (13) (see Proposition 3.3 for (5)). In Table 1, we list the feasible parameters  $(v, r, k, \lambda)$  for  $v \leq 75$ .

By an approach given in Section 4, our exhaustive computer search completed a classification of skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets satisfying (4)–(6) for the feasible parameters in Table 1 with  $v \leq 51$ . We used a computer with CPU Intel(R) Core(TM) i7 4790k, 4 Core.

**Theorem 5.1.** *Suppose that  $v \leq 51$ . If there exists a skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets satisfying (4)–(6), then it is equivalent to one of the supplementary difference sets  $(A, B)$  with  $v \leq 51$  in Table 3.*

For  $v \geq 53$ , due to the computational complexity, our exhaustive computer search completed a classification of skew-symmetric  $2$ - $\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference

Table 1: Parameters of skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets

$(v, r, k, \lambda)$	$N(v, r, k, \lambda)$	$(v, r, k, \lambda)$	$N(v, r, k, \lambda)$
(3, 1, 0, 0)	1	(43, 21, 15, 15)	0
(7, 3, 0, 1)	1	(45, 22, 11, 13)	0
(7, 3, 1, 1)	1	(47, 23, 0, 11)	1
(11, 5, 0, 2)	1	(47, 23, 1, 11)	1
(11, 5, 1, 2)	1	(49, 24, 9, 13)	0
(13, 6, 3, 3)	1	(51, 25, 0, 12)	0
(15, 7, 0, 3)	0	(51, 25, 1, 12)	0
(15, 7, 1, 3)	0	(53, 26, 14, 16)	?
(19, 9, 0, 4)	1	(55, 27, 0, 13)	0
(19, 9, 1, 4)	1	(55, 27, 1, 13)	0
(21, 10, 6, 6)	1	(57, 28, 21, 21)	?
(23, 11, 0, 5)	1	(59, 29, 0, 14)	1
(23, 11, 1, 5)	1	(59, 29, 1, 14)	1
(25, 12, 4, 6)	0	(61, 30, 6, 15)	0
(27, 13, 0, 6)	0	(61, 30, 10, 16)	0
(27, 13, 1, 6)	0	(61, 30, 15, 18)	?
(29, 14, 7, 8)	1	(63, 31, 0, 15)	0
(31, 15, 0, 7)	1	(63, 31, 1, 15)	0
(31, 15, 1, 7)	1	(67, 33, 0, 16)	1
(31, 15, 6, 8)	1	(67, 33, 1, 16)	1
(31, 15, 10, 10)	1	(67, 33, 12, 18)	?
(35, 17, 0, 8)	0	(67, 33, 22, 23)	?
(35, 17, 1, 8)	0	(69, 34, 18, 21)	?
(37, 18, 10, 11)	0	(71, 35, 0, 17)	1
(39, 19, 0, 9)	0	(71, 35, 1, 17)	1
(39, 19, 1, 9)	0	(71, 35, 15, 20)	?
(41, 20, 5, 10)	0	(71, 35, 21, 23)	?
(43, 21, 0, 10)	1	(73, 36, 28, 28)	?
(43, 21, 1, 10)	1	(75, 37, 0, 18)	0
(43, 21, 7, 11)	0	(75, 37, 1, 18)	0

sets satisfying (4)–(6) for the following feasible parameters:

$$\begin{aligned}
 (v, r, k, \lambda) = & (55, 27, 0, 13), (55, 27, 1, 13), (59, 29, 0, 14), \\
 & (59, 29, 1, 14), (61, 30, 6, 15), (61, 30, 10, 16), \\
 & (63, 31, 0, 15), (63, 31, 1, 15), (67, 33, 0, 16), \\
 & (67, 33, 1, 16), (71, 35, 0, 17), (71, 35, 1, 17), \\
 & (75, 37, 0, 18), (75, 37, 1, 18).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{14}$$

The skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets  $(A, B)$  with parameters (14) are listed in Table 3. For the feasible parameters  $(v, r, k, \lambda)$  given in Table 1, the numbers  $N(v, r, k, \lambda)$  of the inequivalent skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets are also listed in the table.

## 6 Classification of skew-symmetric circulant $D$ -optimal designs meeting (8)

Skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal designs  $X(R_1, R_2)$  in (10) are corresponding to a certain class of skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets satisfying (4)–(6). According to [10], we say that circulant  $D$ -optimal designs meeting (8) are *equivalent* if the supplementary difference sets constructed by Lemma 2.3 are equivalent. In this section, as a consequence of the previous section, we give a classification of skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal designs meeting (8) for orders up to 110.

Let  $D$  be a circulant  $D$ -optimal design  $X(R_1, R_2)$  in (10) of order  $n = 2v$  meeting (8). Here we suppose that  $r$  and  $k$  are the numbers of  $-1$ 's in the first rows of  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , respectively. If  $D$  is skew-symmetric, then  $r = \frac{v-1}{2}$  by Lemma 3.1.

We call  $(n, r, k)$  *feasible parameters* for skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal designs if  $(n, r, k)$  satisfies  $r = \frac{v-1}{2}$  and (11). In Table 2, we list the feasible parameters  $(n, r, k)$  for  $n \leq 200$ .

Table 2: Parameters of skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal designs

$(n, r, k)$	$N(n, r, k)$
(6, 1, 0)	1
(14, 3, 1)	1
(26, 6, 3)	1
(42, 10, 6)	1
(62, 15, 10)	1
(86, 21, 15)	0
(114, 28, 21)	?
(146, 36, 28)	?
(182, 45, 36)	?

Let  $S_3, S_7, S_{13}, S_{21}$  and  $S_{31}$  be the skew-symmetric  $2\text{-}\{v; r, k; \lambda\}$  supplementary difference sets in Table 3 with  $(v, r, k, \lambda) = (3, 1, 0, 0), (7, 3, 1, 1), (13, 6, 3, 3),$

$(21, 10, 6, 6)$  and  $(31, 15, 10, 10)$ , respectively. Let  $D_6, D_{14}, D_{26}, D_{42}$  and  $D_{62}$  be the skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal designs  $X(R_1, R_2)$  in (10) of orders 6, 14, 26, 42 and 62 meeting (8), constructed by Lemma 2.3 from  $S_3, S_7, S_{13}, S_{21}$  and  $S_{31}$ , respectively. From the classification in Theorem 5.1, we have the following:

**Corollary 6.1.** *Suppose that  $n \leq 110$ . If there exists a skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal design  $X(R_1, R_2)$  in (10) of order  $n$  meeting (8), then it is equivalent to one of  $D_6, D_{14}, D_{26}, D_{42}$  and  $D_{62}$ .*

The numbers  $N(n, r, k)$  of the inequivalent skew-symmetric circulant  $D$ -optimal designs meeting (8) are also listed in Table 2 for the feasible parameters  $(n, r, k)$ .

A classification of circulant  $D$ -optimal designs  $X(R_1, R_2)$  in (10) meeting (8) was given in [10] for orders  $n \leq 58$  and  $n = 66$ , and in [1] for orders  $n = 62, 74$  (see [1] for the revised classification for order 26). Our computer search found that  $D_n$  ( $n = 6, 14, 26$ ) is equivalent to the circulant  $D$ -optimal design, which is constructed by Lemma 2.3 from the first supplementary difference set given in [10, Table 1],  $D_{42}$  is equivalent to the circulant  $D$ -optimal design, which is constructed by Lemma 2.3 from the 19th supplementary difference set given in [10, Table 1], and  $D_{62}$  is equivalent to the circulant  $D$ -optimal design, which is constructed by Lemma 2.3 from the 50th supplementary difference set given in [1, Appendix].

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Table 3: Skew-symmetric supplementary difference sets  $(A, B)$

$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (3, 1, 0, 0)$ $A = \{2\} B = \emptyset$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (7, 3, 0, 1), (7, 3, 1, 1)$ $A = \{3, 5, 6\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (11, 5, 0, 2), (11, 5, 1, 2)$ $A = \{2, 6, 7, 8, 10\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (13, 6, 3, 3)$ $A = \{4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12\} B = \{0, 2, 8\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (19, 9, 0, 4), (19, 9, 1, 4)$ $A = \{2, 3, 8, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (21, 10, 6, 6)$ $A = \{2, 3, 9, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20\} B = \{0, 1, 7, 9, 12, 17\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (23, 11, 0, 5), (23, 11, 1, 5)$ $A = \{5, 7, 10, 11, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20, 21, 22\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (29, 14, 7, 8)$ $A = \{4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 15, 18, 22, 26, 27, 28\} B = \{0, 1, 11, 13, 15, 18, 21\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (31, 15, 0, 7), (31, 15, 1, 7)$ $A = \{3, 6, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 30\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (31, 15, 6, 8)$ $A = \{3, 6, 11, 12, 13, 15, 17, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 29, 30\} B = \{0, 1, 15, 20, 22, 28\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (31, 15, 10, 10)$ $A = \{4, 6, 7, 12, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 28, 29, 30\} B = \{0, 1, 4, 5, 8, 11, 16, 18, 20, 29\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (43, 21, 0, 10), (43, 21, 1, 10)$ $A = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 12, 18, 19, 20, 22, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 32, 33, 34, 37, 39, 42\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (47, 23, 0, 11), (47, 23, 1, 11)$ $A = \{5, 10, 11, 13, 15, 19, 20, 22, 23, 26, 29, 30, 31, 33, 35, 38, 39, 40, 41, 43, 44, 45, 46\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (59, 29, 0, 14), (59, 29, 1, 14)$ $A = \{2, 6, 8, 10, 11, 13, 14, 18, 23, 24, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 37, 38, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 47, 50, 52, 54, 55, 56, 58\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (67, 33, 0, 16), (67, 33, 1, 16)$ $A = \{2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 18, 20, 27, 28, 30, 31, 32, 34, 38, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 48, 50, 51, 52, 53, 57, 58, 61, 63, 66\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$
$(v, r, k, \lambda) = (71, 35, 0, 17), (71, 35, 1, 17)$ $A = \{7, 11, 13, 14, 17, 21, 22, 23, 26, 28, 31, 33, 34, 35, 39, 41, 42, 44, 46, 47, 51, 52, 53, 55, 56, 59, 61, 62, 63, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70\} B = \emptyset, \{0\}$

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