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## 1. Introduction

For the definitions of terms like blocks, incidence matrix of a block design, group divisible design (GDD), balanced incomplete block design (BIBD) and partially balanced incomplete block design (PBIBD) the reader is referred to Street and Street (1987). A balanced n-ary design is a collection of $B$ multisets, each of size $K$, chosen from a set of size $V$ in such a way that each of the $V$ elements occurs $R$ times altogether and $0,1,2, \ldots$, or $n-1$ times in each block, and each pair of distinct elements occurs $\Lambda$ times. So the inner product of any two distinct rows of the $V \times B$ incidence matrix of the balanced $n$-ary design is $\Lambda$. These designs were introduced by Tocher (1952), but in his definition the equireplicate property was not required.

A balanced $n$-ary design where $n=2$ is the well known balanced incomplete block design. A balanced $n$-ary design where $n=3$ is called a balanced ternary design. A balanced ternary design which has $V$ elements, $B$ blocks of size $K$, each of the

[^0]elements occurring once in precisely $\varrho_{1}$ blocks and twice in precisely $\varrho_{2}$ blocks, and with incidence matrix having inner product of any two rows $A$, is denoted by $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V, B ; \varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, R ; K, \Lambda\right)$. Notice that $R=\varrho_{1}+2 \varrho_{2}$. A partially balanced ternary design (PBTD) can be defined similarly. A number of authors have studied these designs; for example, see Billington (1984), Donovan (1986), Patwardhan and Sharma (1988), Sarvate (1990), Soundara Pandian (1980), and the references therein. A list of partially balanced ternary designs with small parameters is given in Mirchandani and Sarvate (1992) and a classification of ternary group divisible designs and some constructions are given in Denig and Sarvate (1992). Some balanced ternary designs are related to generalized weighing matrices (for definitions see Geramita and Seberry (1979)). Most of the time in this paper when we talk about a BTD say, $M$, we are referring to the incidence matrix of the BTD.

The following definition is from Seberry (1982). Suppose we have a matrix $W$ with elements from an elementary Abelian group $G=\left\{h_{1}, h_{2}, \ldots, h_{g}\right\}$, where $W=$ $h_{1} A_{1}+h_{2} A_{2}+\cdots+h_{g} A_{g}$, with $A_{1}, \ldots, A_{g} v \times b(0,1)$ matrices, and the Hadamard product $A_{i}^{*} A_{j}, i \neq j$, is zero. Suppose ( $a_{i 1}, \ldots, a_{i b}$ ) and ( $b_{j 1}, \ldots, b_{j b}$ ) are the $i$ th and $j$ th rows of $W$, then we define $W W^{+}$by: $\left(W W^{+}\right)_{i j}=\left(a_{i 1}, \ldots, a_{i b}\right) \cdot\left(b_{j 1}^{-1}, \ldots, b_{j b}^{-1}\right)$, with - the scalar product. Then $W$ is a generalized Bhaskar Rao design or GBRD if
(i) $W W^{+}=r I+t G(J-I)$; and
(ii) $N=A_{1}+A_{2}+\cdots+A g$ satisfies $N N^{\mathrm{T}}=(r-\lambda) I+\lambda J$, that is, $N$ is the incidence matrix of a $\operatorname{BIBD}(v, b, r, k, \lambda)$.
As a convention $t G$ stands for $t$ copies of $h_{1}+h_{2}+\cdots+h_{g}$; that is $t$ gives the number of times a complete copy $h_{1}+h_{2}+\cdots+h_{g}$ of the group $G$ occurs. Such a matrix will be denoted by $\operatorname{GBRD}(v, b, r, k, \lambda=t g ; G)$. Keeping consistency with $\operatorname{BIBD}$ notation we may write $\operatorname{GBRD}(v, b, r, k, \lambda=t g ; G)$ as $\operatorname{GBRD}(v, k, \lambda=t g ; G)$.

Here and elsewhere in the present paper $J$ will stand for an appropriate size matrix with all entries one. For example here the matrix $J$ is a square matrix of order $V$. A generalized Hadamard matrix $\mathrm{GH}(t g ; G)$ can be regarded as a $\operatorname{GBRD}(t g, t g, t g ; G)$.
There are several papers in the literature where GBRD's are used to construct block designs. An early application can be found in Seberry (1984), and one of the recent papers where such application is used to construct group divisible designs is Palmer and Seberry (1988). In the present note we apply these designs in the construction of new series of $n$-ary designs. As mentioned in the abstract we observed that in some cases these constructions give non-isomorphic solutions for design parameters which were previously known or whose solution was obtained by trial and error, rather than by a systematic method. This suggests that the methods will produce previously unknown designs.

## 2. Constructions based on generalized Hadamard matrices

Theorem 1. If a $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V, B ; \varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, R, K ; \Lambda\right)=M$ and $a \mathrm{GH}(n, G)=N$ with $|G|=V$ exist, then $a \operatorname{PBTD}\left(n V, n B ; n \varrho_{1}, n \varrho_{2}, n \varrho_{1}+2 n \varrho_{2} ; n K, \Lambda_{1}=n \Lambda, \Lambda_{2}=n R K / V\right)$ exists.

Proof. Construct a matrix $P$ by replacing each element $g$ in $N$ by $T_{g} M$ where $T_{g}$ is the right regular matrix representation of the element $g$ of $G$. Observe that $P P^{\mathrm{T}}$ is a block matrix with diagonal entries $n((R K-\Lambda V) I+\Lambda J)$ and the off diagonal entries are $(n / V)[(R K-\Lambda V) I+\Lambda J] J$. Hence $P$ is the incidence matrix of the required PBTD.

Now when $n=V=|G|, P$ gives the incidence matrix of a $\operatorname{PBTD}\left(V^{2}, V B\right.$; $\left.V \varrho_{1}, V \varrho_{2}, V\left(\varrho_{1}+2 \varrho_{2}\right) ; \quad V K, \Lambda_{1}=V \Lambda, \Lambda_{2}=R K\right)$. But we know that $\Lambda(V-1)=R(K-1)-2 \varrho_{2}$ i.e. $\Lambda V+\left(\varrho_{1}+2 \varrho_{2}\right)+2 \varrho_{2}=R K+\Lambda$ so we augment the matrix $P$ by a column of rows of the $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V, B ; \varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, R ; K, \Lambda\right)$ as follows:

$$
[P: M \times J]
$$

Here $J$ is a column matrix of size $V$. The augmented matrix is a $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V_{2},(V+1) B\right.$; $\left.V \varrho_{1}+\varrho_{1}, V \varrho_{2}+\varrho_{2},(V+1) \varrho_{1}+2(V+1) \varrho_{2} ; V K, V \Lambda+R+2 \varrho_{2}\right)$. Hence we have

Theorem 2. If $a \operatorname{BTD}\left(V, B ; \varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, R ; K, \Lambda\right)=M$ and $a \mathrm{GH}(V, G)=N$ exist, then $a$ $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V^{2},(V+1) B ; V \varrho_{1}+\varrho_{1}, V \varrho_{2}+\varrho_{2},(V+1) \varrho_{1}+2(V+1) \varrho_{2} ; V K, V \Lambda+R+2 \varrho_{2}\right)$ exists.

Corollary 3. If $q$ is an odd prime power, then a $\operatorname{BTD}\left(q^{2},(q+1) q ;(q+1)\right.$, $\left.(q-1)(q+1) / 2, q(q+1) ; q^{2}, q^{2}+q-1\right)$ exists.

Proof. Saha and Dey (1973) showed that $\operatorname{BTD}(q, q, 1,(q-1) / 2, q ; q, q-1)$ exist, where $q$ is an odd prime power, and it is well known that $\operatorname{GH}(q, G)$ exist.

Example 1. Consider $\operatorname{BTD}(3,3 ; 1,1,3 ; 3,2)=M$ and $\operatorname{GH}\left(3, Z_{3}\right)=N$, that is,

$$
M=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
1 & 2 & 0 \\
2 & 0 & 1 \\
0 & 1 & 2
\end{array}\right] \quad \text { and } \quad N=\left[\begin{array}{ccc}
1 & 1 & 1 \\
1 & w & w^{2} \\
1 & w^{2} & w
\end{array}\right]
$$

Then the above construction gives a $\operatorname{BTD}(9,12 ; 4,4,12 ; 9,11)$ :

$$
\left[\begin{array}{lllllllllllll}
1 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 & & 1 & 2 & 0 & & 1 & 2
\end{array}\right)
$$

Now a $\operatorname{BTD}(9,12 ; 4,4,12 ; 9,11)$ was previously known and it is listed (number 163) in Billington and Robinson (1983). However, it is interesting to note that the above design does not contain any complete blocks and therefore it is non-isomorphic to the one given in Billington and Robinson (1983) which contains complete blocks.

Remarks. (1) As generalized Hadamard matrices $\mathrm{GH}(n, G)$ exist for infinitely many values of $n$ other than the one given above, for each BTD which exists, we can construct infinitely many PBTDs.
(2) In the Appendix, we give a list of BTDs obtained via Theorem 2 and the list of BTDs with prime power $V$, given in Billington and Robinson (1983). It may be interesting to know that there are 34 BTDs in our list with $R \leqslant 50$.
(3) The above Theorems can be generalized to $n$-ary designs.

## 3. Constructions based on Bhaskar Rao Designs

Generalized Bhaskar Rao Designs over the group $\{1,-1\}$ are called Bhaskar Rao Designs (BRD).

Theorem 4. Suppose there exist $a \operatorname{BRD}\left(v, b, r, k, 2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$ and square matrices $B$ and $C$ of order $u$, with entries from $\{0,1,2, \ldots, n-1\}$, which satisfy the following properties:
(i) $B B^{\mathrm{T}}=C C^{\mathrm{T}}=c l+d(J-I)$,
(ii) $B C^{\mathrm{T}}=C B^{\mathrm{T}}=e l+f(J-I)$,
where $c, d, e$ and $f$ are integers. Then there exists a matrix with entries from $\{0,1,2, \ldots, n-1\}$ such that the inner product of any two distinct rows is in the set $\left\{\Lambda_{1}=r d, \Lambda_{2}=\lambda(c+e), \Lambda_{3}=\lambda(d+f)\right\}$ and the inner product of a row with itself is $r c$.

Proof. Construct a matrix $P$ by replacing 1's in the BRD by $B$ and -1 's in the BRD by $C$. Then a block diagonal entry of $P P^{\mathrm{T}}$ is $r B B^{\mathrm{T}}$ (using (i) $B B^{\mathrm{T}}=C C^{\mathrm{T}}$ ) which is equal to $r c I+r d(J-I)$. Now as the inner product of any two rows of a BRD is zero, it is clear that the product of the entries in the pairs $(1,1)$ and $(-1,-1)$ and in the pairs $(1,-1)$ and $(-1,1)$ occur equal number of times in the inner product. Therefore the off diagonal block entry of $P P^{\mathrm{T}}$ is equal to $\lambda\left(B B^{\mathrm{T}}+B C^{\mathrm{T}}\right)$, which is equal to $\lambda\left((c+e) I+(d+f)(J-I)\right.$ ) (using (ii) $\left.B C^{\mathrm{T}}=C B^{\mathrm{T}}\right)$. Hence the result follows.

Let $B$ be a symmetric balanced ternary design. Then

$$
B B^{\mathrm{T}}=\left(R^{2}-\Lambda V\right) I+\Lambda J
$$

Now we use Theorem 4 with $B=C$, to get

Corollary 5. $A$ symmetric $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V, B ; \varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, R ; K, \Lambda\right)$ and a $\operatorname{BRD}\left(v, b, r, k, 2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$ give a $\operatorname{PBTD}\left(u V, b V ; r \varrho_{1}, r \varrho_{2}, r R ; k R, \Lambda_{1}=r \Lambda, \Lambda_{2}=2 \lambda\left(R^{2}-\Lambda V+\Lambda\right), \Lambda_{3}=2 \lambda \Lambda\right)$.

Similarly,
Corollary 6. A symmetric $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V, B ; \varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, R ; K, \Lambda\right)$ and a Hadamard matrix of order $4 t$ give a $\operatorname{PBTD}\left(4 t V, 4 t V ; 4 \varrho_{1}, 4 t \varrho_{2}, 4 t R ; 4 t R, \Lambda_{1}=4 t \Lambda, \Lambda_{2}=4 t\left(R^{2}-\Lambda V+\Lambda\right)\right)$.

Remark. Let $B$ be a symmetric balanced ternary design. Then as above

$$
B B^{\mathrm{T}}=\left(R^{2}-\Lambda V\right) I+\Lambda J,
$$

and furthermore

$$
\begin{aligned}
(2 J-B)(2 J-B)^{\mathrm{T}} & =4 J J^{\mathrm{T}}-2 J B^{\mathrm{T}}-2 B J^{\mathrm{T}}+B B^{\mathrm{T}} \\
& =4 V J-4 R J+B B^{\mathrm{T}} ; \\
B(2 J-B)^{\mathrm{T}}=2 B J & -B B^{\mathrm{T}}=2 R J-B B^{\mathrm{T}},
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
(2 J-B) B^{\mathrm{T}}=2 J B-B B^{\mathrm{T}}=2 R J-B B^{\mathrm{T}} .
$$

Theorem 7. Let $B$ be a symmetric balanced ternary design with $R=V$ and suppose $a \operatorname{BRD}\left(v, b, r, k, 2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$ exists. Then $a \operatorname{PBTD}\left(v V, b V ; r \varrho_{1}, r \varrho_{2}, r R ; k R, \Lambda_{1}=r \Lambda, \Lambda_{2}=\right.$ $2 \lambda R$ ) exists.

Proof. Suppose that in the statement of Theorem 4, B is a symmetric BTD and $C=2 J-B$. Also note that $V=R$ and therefore $V-\varrho_{1}-\varrho_{2}=\varrho_{2}$ and therefore the values of $\varrho_{1}$ and $\varrho_{2}$ do not change in $2 J-B$.

Example 2. A $\operatorname{BTD}(11,11 ; 1,5,11 ; 11,10)$ exists [2, no. 113] and a $\operatorname{BRD}\left(4,3,2 ; Z_{2}\right)$ exists, therefore a $\operatorname{PBTD}\left(44,44 ; 3,15,33 ; 33, \Lambda_{1}=30, \Lambda_{2}=22\right)$ exists.

Corollary 8. Let $B$ be a symmetric BTD with $R=V$. Suppose a BRD $(v, b, r, k, 2 \lambda$; $Z_{2}$ ) exists such that $r \Lambda=2 \lambda R$; then a BTD $\left(v V, b V ; r \varrho_{1}, r \varrho_{2}, r R ; k R, r \Lambda\right)$ exists.

Example 3. $\operatorname{BRD}\left(4,3,2 ; Z_{2}\right)$ and $\operatorname{BTD}(3,3 ; 1,1,3 ; 3,2)$ give a $\operatorname{BTD}(12,12,3,3,9$; 9,6 ). Now this design also exists [Billington and Robinson, 1983, no. 57], but the solution is given by listing all the blocks.

We observe that if there exist a $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V, V ; \varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, R=V, V, \Lambda\right)$ and a $\operatorname{BRD}(v, b, r$, $\left.k, 2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$ for which $r \Lambda=2 \lambda R$, then the $\operatorname{BTD}\left(v V, b V ; r \varrho_{1}, r \varrho_{2}, r R ; k R, 2 \Lambda R\right)$ constructed by using Theorem 7 and the $\operatorname{BRD}\left(v, b, r, k, 2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$ can also be used to give a BTD. In other words:

Theorem 9. If there exists a $\operatorname{BTD}\left(V, V ; \varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, V ; V, \Lambda\right)$ and $a \operatorname{BRD}\left(v, b, r, k, 2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$ for which $r \Lambda=2 \lambda R$, then the $\operatorname{BTD}\left(v^{t} V, b^{t} V ; r^{t} \varrho_{1}, r^{t} \varrho_{2}, r^{t} R ; k^{t} R,(2 \lambda)^{t} R\right)$ exists for all integers $t \geqslant 0$.

Proof. Suppose that the new BTD constructed by Theorem 7 has the replication number $R^{\prime}=r R$ and the index $\Lambda^{\prime}=2 \lambda R$. We wish to show that $R^{\prime}$ and $\Lambda^{\prime}$ satisfy Corollary 8 , i.e., $r\left(\Lambda^{\prime}\right)=2 \lambda R^{\prime}$, but $r(2 \lambda R)=2 \lambda(r R)$.

Example 3 now gives
Corollary 10. A BTD $\left(4^{t} \cdot 3,4^{t} \cdot 3 ; 3^{t}, 3^{t}, 3 \cdot 3^{t} ; 3 \cdot 3^{t}, 2^{t} \cdot 3\right)$ exists for all $t \geqslant 0$.
Now we will construct some balanced ternary designs via Theorem 7 using a particular BTD

$$
B=\left[\begin{array}{lll}
2 & 1 & 0 \\
0 & 2 & 1 \\
1 & 0 & 2
\end{array}\right] \text { and } C=2 J-B
$$

Corollary 11. If $v(v-1) \equiv 0(\bmod 12)$, then there exists $a \operatorname{BRD}\left(v, b, r, 3,2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)($ see Seberry, 1982) and therefore a $\operatorname{PBTD}\left(3 v, 3 b ; r, r, 3 r ; 9, \Lambda_{1}=2 r, \Lambda_{2}=6 \lambda\right)$ exists. Furthermore if $2 r=6 \lambda$ then we get $a \mathrm{BTD}$.

Example 4. $\operatorname{BRD}\left(4,4 \lambda, 3 \lambda, 3,2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$ gives $a \operatorname{BTD}(12,12 \lambda ; 3 \lambda, 3 \lambda, 9 \lambda ; 9,6 \lambda)$.
Remark. Several families of $\operatorname{PBTD}\left(3 v, 3 b ; r, r, 3 r ; 12, \Lambda_{1}=2 r, \Lambda_{2}=6 \lambda\right)$ can be constructed by using the existence results of $\operatorname{BRD}\left(v, b, r, 4,2 t \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$, which are given by de Launey and Seberry (1984).

A result similar to Theorem 4 can be given as follows:

Theorem 12. Let $a \operatorname{BRD}\left(v, b, r, k, 2 \lambda ; Z_{2}\right)$ with the following properties exist:
(a) In the inner product of any two distinct rows the number of occurrences of the pairs $(1,1),(-1,-1),(1,-1)$ and $(-1,1)$ are constants, say $c_{1}, c_{2}, c_{3}$ and $c_{4}$ respectively, (with $c_{1}+c_{2}=c_{3}+c_{4}=\lambda$ ).
(b) Each row of the BRD contains constant number of 1 's and -1 's, say $d_{1}$ and $d_{2}$ (with $d_{1}+d_{2}=r$ ).

Assume further that there exist square matrices $B$ and $C$ of the same order with entries from $\{0,1,2, \ldots, n-1\}$, and which satisfy:
(i) $B B^{\mathrm{T}}=s I+q(J-I)$;
(ii) $C C^{\mathrm{T}}=u I+w(J-I)$;
(iii) $B C^{\mathrm{T}}=x I+y(J-I)$;
(iv) $C B^{\mathrm{T}}=z I+a(J-I)$;
where $s, q, u, w, x, y, z$, and $a$ are integers. Then there exists a matrix with entries from $\{0,1,2, \ldots, n-1\}$ such that the inner product of any two distinct rows is in the set $\left\{\Lambda_{1}=d_{1} q+d_{2} w, \Lambda_{2}=c_{1} q+c_{2} w+c_{3} y+c_{4} a, \Lambda_{3}=c_{1} s+c_{2} u+c_{3} x+c_{4} z\right\}$ and the inner product of a row with itself is $d_{1} s+d_{2} u$.

Theorem 13. Suppose $a \operatorname{SBIBD}\left(4 t^{2}, 2 t^{2}+t, t^{2}+t\right)$ and a symmetric $\operatorname{BTD}(V, V$; $\left.\varrho_{1}, \varrho_{2}, R ; R, \Lambda\right)$ exist. Further suppose that the Hadamard matrix corresponding to the SBIBD satisfies the properties required in Theorem 12 for the BRD. (Note that the Hadamard matrix corresponding to the SBIBD is a $\operatorname{BRD}\left(4 t^{2}, 4 t^{2}, 4 t^{2}, 4 t^{2}, 4 t^{2}, Z_{2}\right)$.) Then there exists a $\operatorname{PBTD}\left(4 t^{2} V, 4 t^{2} V, 4 t^{2} \varrho_{1},\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)\left(V-\varrho_{1}\right)+2 t \varrho_{2}, 2 V\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)+\right.$ $\left.2 t R ; 2 V\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)+2 t R, \Lambda_{1}=4 t^{2} \Lambda+4\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)(V-R), \Lambda_{2}=4 t^{2} R+4\left(t^{2}-t\right)(V-R)\right)$.

Proof. $\operatorname{SBIBD}\left(4 t^{2}, 2 t^{2}+t, t^{2}+t\right)$ gives a regular (constant row and column sum $2 t$ ) Hadamard matrix, $H$, when its zeros are replaced by -1 's. That means in the proof of Theorem 12, $c_{1}=t^{2}+t, c_{2}=t^{2}-t, c_{3}=c_{4}=t^{2}$. Now replace the ones by the symmetric BTD $B$ and -1 's by $C=2 J-B$. Then the block matrix so constructed has $2 t^{2}+t$ copies of $B$ and $2 t^{2}-t$ copies of $C$ in each of its row. Now using the remark after Corollary 6 , and the notation of Theorem 12, we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& s=R^{2}-\Lambda(V-1), \quad q=\Lambda ; u=R^{2}-\Lambda(V-1)+4(V-R), \quad w=\Lambda+4(V-R) \\
& x=z=2 R-\left(R^{2}-\Lambda(V-1)\right) ; \quad y=a=2 R-\Lambda ; \quad d_{1}=2 t^{2}+t, \quad d_{2}=2 t^{2}-t .
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore we get the required $\operatorname{PBTD}\left(4 t^{2} V, 4 t^{2} V ; 4 t^{2} \varrho_{1},\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)\left(V-\varrho_{1}\right)+2 t \varrho_{2}, 2 V\right.$ $\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)+2 t R ; 2 V\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)+2 t R, \Lambda_{1}=4 t^{2} \Lambda+4\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)(V-R), \Lambda_{2}=4 t^{2} R+4\left(t^{2}-t\right)$ $(V-R)$ ).

Corollary 14. If $V=2 R-\Lambda$ then we get a $\operatorname{BTD}\left(4 t^{2} V, 4 t^{2} V ; 4 t^{2} \varrho_{1},\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)\left(V-\varrho_{1}\right)\right.$ $\left.+2 t \varrho_{2}, 2 V\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)+2 t R ; 2 V\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)+2 t R, 4 t^{2} R+4\left(t^{2}-t\right)(V-R)\right)$.

Example 5. $\operatorname{BTD}(6,6 ; 2,1,4 ; 4,2)$ exists [Billington and Robison, 1983 no. 3] and $\operatorname{SBIBD}(4,3,2)(t=1)$ exists (first row: 1110$)$. Here $c_{2}=0,4 t^{2} R+4 c_{2}(V-R)=16$ and $4 t^{2} \Lambda+4\left(2 t^{2}-t\right)(V-R)=8+8=16$ and therefore a $\operatorname{BTD}(24,24 ; 8,6,20 ; 20,16)$ exists.

Remark. The $\operatorname{SBIBD}\left(4 t^{2}, 2 t^{2}+t, t^{2}+t\right)$ used in Theorem 13 have been extensively studied in Koukouvinos, Kounias and Seberry (1989) and Seberry (1992).

## Appendix

A list of BTDs obtained via Theorem 2 is given. The last column gives the number of the BTD used with prime power $V$ in Billington and Robinson (1983).

| No. | V | $B$ | $\varrho_{1}$ | $\varrho_{2}$ | $R$ | K | $\Lambda$ | No. in B\&R |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 9 | 12 | 4 | 4 | 12 | 9 | 11 | 1 |
| 2 | 9 | 16 | 8 | 4 | 16 | 9 | 15 | 2 |
| 3 | 9 | 20 | 12 | 4 | 20 | 9 | 19 | 4 |
| 4 | 49 | 56 | 24 | 8 | 40 | 35 | 28 | 6 |
| 5 | 25 | 30 | 6 | 12 | 30 | 25 | 29 | 7 |
| 6 | 9 | 24 | 16 | 4 | 24 | 9 | 23 | 9 |
| 7 | 64 | 72 | 36 | 9 | 54 | 48 | 40 | 11 |
| 8 | 25 | 60 | 12 | 12 | 36 | 15 | 20 | 12 |
| 9 | 9 | 24 | 8 | 8 | 24 | 9 | 22 | 13 |
| 10 | 25 | 36 | 12 | 12 | 36 | 25 | 35 | 14 |
| 11 | 9 | 28 | 20 | 4 | 28 | 9 | 27 | 15 |
| 12 | 121 | 132 | 60 | 12 | 84 | 77 | 53 | 18 |
| 13 | 9 | 28 | 12 | 8 | 28 | 9 | 26 | 21 |
| 14 | 25 | 42 | 18 | 12 | 42 | 25 | 41 | 22 |
| 15 | 16 | 35 | 5 | 15 | 35 | 16 | 33 | 23 |
| 16 | 49 | 56 | 8 | 24 | 56 | 49 | 55 | 25 |
| 17 | 9 | 32 | 24 | 4 | 32 | 9 | 31 | 26 |
| 18 | 361 | 380 | 120 | 20 | 160 | 152 | 67 | 29 |
| 19 | 9 | 32 | 16 | 8 | 32 | 9 | 30 | 31 |
| 20 | 121 | 264 | 48 | 24 | 96 | 44 | 34 | 32 |
| 21 | 25 | 60 | 24 | 12 | 48 | 20 | 37 | 34 |
| 22 | 25 | 48 | 24 | 12 | 48 | 25 | 47 | 35 |
| 23 | 16 | 40 | 10 | 15 | 40 | 16 | 38 | 37 |
| 24 | 49 | 64 | 16 | 24 | 64 | 49 | 63 | 38 |
| 25 | 81 | 270 | 70 | 10 | 90 | 27 | 29 | 40 |
| 26 | 25 | 90 | 42 | 6 | 54 | 15 | 31 | 41 |
| 27 | 9 | 36 | 28 | 4 | 36 | 9 | 35 | 42 |
| 28 | 121 | 32 | 84 | 12 | 108 | 99 | 88 | 46 |
| 29 | 64 | 216 | 45 | 18 | 81 | 24 | 29 | 47 |
| 30 | 9 | 36 | 20 | 8 | 36 | 9 | 34 | 48 |
| 31 | 25 | 54 | 30 | 12 | 54 | 25 | 53 | 49 |
| 32 | 49 | 168 | 24 | 24 | 72 | 21 | 29 | 51 |
| 33 | 16 | 45 | 15 | 15 | 45 | 16 | 43 | 53 |
| 34 | 9 | 36 | 12 | 12 | 36 | 9 | 33 | 54 |
| 35 | 16 | 45 | 15 | 15 | 45 | 16 | 43 | 55 |
| 36 | 49 | 72 | 24 | 24 | 72 | 49 | 71 | 56 |
| 37 | 81 | 90 | 10 | 40 | 90 | 81 | 89 | 59 |
| 38 | 9 | 40 | 32 | 4 | 40 | 9 | 39 | 60 |
| 39 | 64 | 180 | 72 | 9 | 90 | 32 | 44 | 61 |
| 40 | 81 | 150 | 80 | 10 | 100 | 54 | 66 | 63 |
| 41 | 529 | 552 | 192 | 24 | 240 | 230 | 104 | 66 |
| 42 | 81 | 300 | 60 | 20 | 100 | 27 | 32 | 68 |
| 43 | 9 | 40 | 24 | 8 | 40 | 9 | 38 | 69 |
| 44 | 361 | 760 | 120 | 40 | 200 | 95 | 52 | 71 |
| 45 | 169 | 364 | 84 | 28 | 140 | 65 | 53 | 72 |
| 46 | 49 | 112 | 48 | 16 | 80 | 35 | 56 | 74 |
| 47 | 25 | 60 | 36 | 12 | 60 | 25 | 59 | 75 |
| 48 | 9 | 40 | 16 | 12 | 40 | 9 | 37 | 77 |


| No. | $V$ | B | $\varrho_{1}$ | $\varrho_{2}$ | $R$ | K | $\Lambda$ | No. in B\&R |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 83 | 49 | 112 | 48 | 24 | 96 | 42 | 81 | 148 |
| 84 | 49 | 96 | 48 | 24 | 96 | 49 | 95 | 149 |
| 85 | 361 | 380 | 120 | 60 | 240 | 228 | 151 | 152 |
| 86 | 81 | 360 | 40 | 40 | 120 | 27 | 38 | 154 |
| 87 | 25 | 120 | 24 | 24 | 72 | 15 | 40 | 155 |
| 88 | 9 | 48 | 16 | 16 | 48 | 9 | 44 | 156 |
| 89 | 64 | 216 | 36 | 36 | 108 | 32 | 52 | 157 |
| 90 | 25 | 90 | 24 | 24 | 72 | 20 | 55 | 158 |
| 91 | 25 | 72 | 24 | 24 | 72 | 25 | 70 | 159 |
| 92 | 81 | 120 | 40 | 40 | 120 | 81 | 119 | 163 |
| 93 | 121 | 144 | 24 | 60 | 144 | 121 | 143 | 168 |
| 94 | 81 | 390 | 110 | 10 | 130 | 27 | 42 | 169 |
| 95 | 9 | 52 | 44 | 4 | 52 | 9 | 51 | 170 |
| 96 | 529 | 552 | 264 | 24 | 312 | 299 | 176 | 175 |
| 97 | 9 | 52 | 36 | 8 | 52 | 9 | 50 | 178 |
| 98 | 64 | 234 | 81 | 18 | 117 | 32 | 57 | 179 |
| 99 | 25 | 78 | 54 | 12 | 78 | 25 | 77 | 181 |
| 100 | 9 | 52 | 28 | 12 | 52 | 9 | 49 | 186 |
| 101 | 16 | 65 | 35 | 15 | 65 | 16 | 63 | 188 |
| 102 | 49 | 104 | 56 | 24 | 104 | 49 | 103 | 189 |
| 103 | 9 | 52 | 20 | 16 | 52 | 9 | 48 | 193 |
| 104 | 25 | 78 | 30 | 24 | 78 | 25 | 76 | 194 |
| 105 | 81 | 130 | 50 | 40 | 130 | 81 | 129 | 195 |
| 106 | 121 | 156 | 36 | 60 | 156 | 121 | 155 | 199 |
| 107 | 16 | 65 | 5 | 30 | 65 | 16 | 61 | 200 |
| 108 | 169 | 182 | 14 | 84 | 182 | 169 | 181 | 205 |
| 109 | 9 | 56 | 48 | 4 | 56 | 9 | 55 | 206 |
| 110 | 961 | 992 | 384 | 32 | 448 | 434 | 202 | 215 |
| 111 | 256 | 272 | 204 | 17 | 238 | 224 | 208 | 218 |
| 112 | 81 | 420 | 100 | 20 | 140 | 27 | 45 | 219 |
| 113 | 9 | 56 | 40 | 8 | 56 | 9 | 54 | 220 |
| 114 | 25 | 84 | 60 | 12 | 84 | 25 | 83 | 222 |
| 115 | 289 | 612 | 180 | 36 | 252 | 119 | 103 | 226 |
| 116 | 121 | 384 | 120 | 24 | 168 | 77 | 106 | 227 |
| 117 | 81 | 180 | 100 | 20 | 140 | 63 | 108 | 228 |
| 118 | 9 | 56 | 32 | 12 | 56 | 9 | 53 | 230 |
| 119 | 16 | 70 | 40 | 15 | 70 | 16 | 68 | 232 |
| 120 | 49 | 112 | 64 | 24 | 112 | 49 | 111 | 235 |
| 121 | 9 | 56 | 24 | 16 | 56 | 9 | 52 | 242 |
| 122 | 25 | 84 | 36 | 24 | 84 | 25 | 82 | 243 |
| 123 | 81 | 140 | 60 | 40 | 140 | 81 | 139 | 247 |
| 124 | 121 | 168 | 48 | 60 | 168 | 121 | 167 | 253 |
| 125 | 16 | 70 | 10 | 30 | 70 | 16 | 66 | 256 |
| 126 | 169 | 364 | 28 | 84 | 196 | 91 | 104 | 258 |
| 127 | 49 | 112 | 16 | 48 | 112 | 49 | 110 | 261 |
| 128 | 169 | 196 | 28 | 84 | 196 | 169 | 195 | 264 |
| 129 | 64 | 360 | 117 | 9 | 135 | 24 | 49 | 268 |
| 130 | 25 | 150 | 78 | 6 | 90 | 15 | 52 | 269 |


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| No. | $V$ | $B$ | $\varrho_{1}$ | $\varrho_{2}$ | $R$ | $K$ | $A$ | B\&R |
| 49 | 16 | 50 | 20 | 15 | 50 | 16 | 48 | 78 |
| 50 | 49 | 80 | 32 | 24 | 80 | 49 | 79 | 80 |
| 51 | 169 | 182 | 56 | 42 | 140 | 130 | 107 | 83 |
| 52 | 81 | 180 | 20 | 40 | 100 | 45 | 54 | 84 |
| 53 | 25 | 60 | 12 | 24 | 60 | 25 | 58 | 85 |
| 54 | 81 | 100 | 20 | 40 | 100 | 81 | 99 | 87 |
| 55 | 9 | 44 | 36 | 4 | 44 | 9 | 43 | 89 |
| 56 | 361 | 380 | 180 | 20 | 220 | 209 | 127 | 95 |
| 57 | 169 | 182 | 126 | 14 | 154 | 143 | 130 | 96 |
| 58 | 9 | 44 | 28 | 8 | 44 | 9 | 42 | 97 |
| 59 | 25 | 66 | 42 | 12 | 66 | 25 | 65 | 98 |
| 60 | 81 | 330 | 50 | 30 | 110 | 27 | 35 | 100 |
| 61 | 9 | 44 | 20 | 12 | 44 | 9 | 41 | 101 |
| 62 | 16 | 55 | 25 | 15 | 55 | 16 | 53 | 102 |
| 63 | 49 | 88 | 40 | 24 | 88 | 49 | 87 | 103 |
| 64 | 25 | 66 | 18 | 24 | 66 | 25 | 64 | 107 |
| 65 | 81 | 110 | 30 | 40 | 110 | 81 | 109 | 108 |
| 66 | 121 | 132 | 12 | 60 | 132 | 121 | 131 | 113 |
| 67 | 9 | 48 | 40 | 4 | 48 | 9 | 47 | 115 |
| 68 | 121 | 528 | 96 | 24 | 144 | 33 | 38 | 123 |
| 69 | 25 | 120 | 48 | 12 | 72 | 15 | 41 | 125 |
| 70 | 9 | 48 | 32 | 8 | 48 | 9 | 46 | 126 |
| 71 | 289 | 918 | 144 | 36 | 216 | 68 | 50 | 127 |
| 72 | 81 | 270 | 80 | 20 | 120 | 36 | 52 | 128 |
| 73 | 25 | 90 | 48 | 12 | 72 | 20 | 56 | 129 |
| 74 | 25 | 72 | 48 | 12 | 72 | 25 | 71 | 130 |
| 75 | 81 | 180 | 80 | 20 | 120 | 54 | 79 | 133 |
| 76 | 64 | 144 | 72 | 18 | 108 | 48 | 80 | 134 |
| 77 | 49 | 224 | 48 | 24 | 96 | 21 | 39 | 139 |
| 78 | 16 | 80 | 30 | 15 | 60 | 12 | 42 | 140 |
| 79 | 9 | 48 | 24 | 12 | 48 | 9 | 45 | 141 |
| 80 | 256 | 816 | 102 | 51 | 204 | 64 | 50 | 142 |
| 81 | 49 | 168 | 48 | 24 | 96 | 28 | 53 | 144 |
| 82 | 16 | 60 | 30 | 15 | 60 | 16 | 58 | 146 |
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| No. | $V$ | $B$ | $\varrho_{1}$ | $\varrho_{2}$ | $R$ | $K$ | $\Lambda$ | B\&R |
| 131 | 9 | 60 | 52 | 4 | 60 | 9 | 59 | 270 |
| 132 | 2809 | 2862 | 702 | 54 | 810 | 795 | 229 | 275 |
| 133 | 289 | 306 | 234 | 18 | 270 | 255 | 238 | 277 |
| 134 | 9 | 60 | 44 | 8 | 60 | 9 | 58 | 279 |
| 135 | 225 | 720 | 176 | 32 | 240 | 75 | 79 | 281 |
| 136 | 81 | 270 | 110 | 20 | 150 | 45 | 82 | 282 |
| 137 | 64 | 216 | 99 | 18 | 135 | 40 | 83 | 283 |
| 138 | 25 | 90 | 66 | 12 | 90 | 25 | 89 | 284 |
| 139 | 169 | 910 | 126 | 42 | 210 | 39 | 47 | 287 |
| 140 | 81 | 450 | 90 | 30 | 150 | 27 | 48 | 288 |
| 141 | 49 | 280 | 72 | 24 | 120 | 21 | 49 | 289 |
| 142 | 25 | 150 | 54 | 18 | 90 | 15 | 51 | 290 |
| 143 | 16 | 100 | 45 | 15 | 75 | 12 | 53 | 291 |
| 144 | 9 | 60 | 36 | 12 | 60 | 9 | 57 | 292 |
| 145 | 16 | 75 | 45 | 15 | 75 | 16 | 73 | 293 |
| 146 | 361 | 1140 | 180 | 60 | 300 | 95 | 78 | 295 |
| 147 | 49 | 168 | 72 | 24 | 120 | 35 | 84 | 297 |
| 148 | 49 | 120 | 72 | 24 | 120 | 49 | 119 | 298 |
| 149 | 9 | 60 | 28 | 16 | 60 | 9 | 56 | 304 |
| 150 | 25 | 90 | 42 | 24 | 90 | 25 | 88 | 306 |
| 151 | 81 | 150 | 70 | 40 | 150 | 81 | 149 | 308 |
| 152 | 121 | 660 | 60 | 60 | 180 | 33 | 47 | 309 |
| 153 | 9 | 60 | 20 | 20 | 60 | 9 | 55 | 312 |
| 154 | 64 | 270 | 45 | 45 | 135 | 32 | 65 | 313 |
| 155 | 121 | 180 | 60 | 60 | 180 | 121 | 179 | 321 |
| 156 | 16 | 75 | 15 | 30 | 75 | 16 | 71 | 327 |
| 157 | 169 | 546 | 42 | 84 | 210 | 65 | 79 | 328 |
| 158 | 81 | 270 | 30 | 60 | 150 | 45 | 81 | 329 |
| 159 | 49 | 168 | 24 | 48 | 120 | 35 | 83 | 330 |
| 160 | 25 | 90 | 18 | 36 | 90 | 25 | 87 | 331 |
| 161 | 49 | 120 | 24 | 48 | 120 | 49 | 118 | 335 |
| 162 | 169 | 210 | 42 | 84 | 210 | 169 | 209 | 336 |
| 163 | 64 | 135 | 9 | 63 | 135 | 64 | 133 | 340 |
| 164 | 225 | 240 | 16 | 112 | 240 | 225 | 239 | 344 |
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