

# Simple 7-Designs With Small Parameters

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## ABSTRACT

We describe a computer search for simple designs with prescribed automorphism groups yielding designs with parameter sets 7-(33, 8, 10), 7-(27, 9, 60), 7-(26, 9,  $\lambda$ ) for  $\lambda = 54, 63, 81$ , 7-(26, 8, 6), 7-(25, 9,  $\lambda$ ) for  $\lambda = 45, 54, 72$ , 7-(24, 9,  $\lambda$ ) for  $\lambda = 40, 48, 64$ , 7-(24, 8,  $\lambda$ ) for  $\lambda = 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$ , 6-(25, 8,  $\lambda$ ) for  $\lambda = 36, 45, 54, 63, 72, 81$ , 6-(24, 8,  $\lambda$ ) for  $\lambda = 36, 45, 54, 63, 72, 5$ -(19, 6, 4), and 5-(19, 6, 6). In several of these cases we are able to determine the exact number of isomorphism types of designs with that prescribed automorphism group. © 199? John Wiley & Sons, Inc.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Simple  $t$ -( $v, k, \lambda$ ) designs which are constructed via large sets tend to have large parameters, at least for  $t > 5$  [25]. In 1984, S. S. Magliveras and D. W. Leavitt [20] presented the first simple 6-designs which were found using a prescribed group of automorphisms. In contrast to the large set method, the designs found with this method usually have small parameters. Since then, several other 6-designs have been found by this method (which is now called Kramer-Mesner method). In many cases, also the number of isomorphism types of designs with prescribed automorphism group could be determined [17, 16, 18, 4, 21, 22]. A survey on the search for  $t$ -designs with small  $v$  is contained in the article of D. L. Kreher in the CRC-Handbook of Combinatorial Designs [5]. Further results are reported by A. Betten on his homepage

<http://www.mathe2.uni-bayreuth.de/betten/DESIGN/d1.html>. Using some refined methods for constructing Kramer-Mesner matrices and solving large systems of Diophantine linear equations, 7-designs with parameters 7-(33,8,10) and prescribed group of automorphisms  $PGL(2,32)$  could be found by the end of 1994 [3]. At that time, B. D. McKay noticed that there exist thousands of such designs and estimated a total of about 5 million designs of this type. Meanwhile, the third author could completely settle the existence question by enumerating all 4 996 426 designs of type 7-(33,8,10) with  $PGL(2,32)$  as automorphism group (cf. [27]) This exact number of designs is surprisingly close to the estimated number. The full set of designs can be obtained electronically via Internet from our homepage for this article (see below).

We now show that simple 7-designs exist for even smaller parameters.

**Theorem 1.1.** *There exist exactly 7 isomorphism types of simple 7-(26, 8, 6) designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2, 25)$ . There exist exactly 3989 and 37932 isomorphism types of simple 7-(26, 9,  $\lambda$ ) designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2, 25)$ , in each case, for  $\lambda = 54$  and 63 respectively. There exist many isomorphism types of simple 7-(26, 9, 81) designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2, 25)$ . There exist simple 7-(27, 9, 60) designs. There exist exactly 1 isomorphism type of simple 7-(24, 8, 4) designs and exactly 138 isomorphism types of simple 7-(24, 8, 5) designs with automorphism group  $PSL(2, 23)$ . There exist at least 590, 126, and 63 isomorphism types of simple 7-(24, 8,  $\lambda$ ) designs for  $\lambda = 6, 7$ , and 8 respectively, with automorphism group  $PSL(2, 23)$ . In addition there exist exactly 4 isomorphism types of simple 7-(24, 8, 8) designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2, 23)$ . There exist exactly 113 isomorphism types of simple 7-(24, 9, 40) designs, there exist exactly 5463 isomorphism types of simple 7-(24, 9, 48) designs, and there exist at least 15335 isomorphism types of simple 7-(24, 9, 64) designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2, 23)$ . There exist simple 7-(25, 9,  $\lambda$ ) designs for  $\lambda = 45, 54, 72$ .*

The full set of solutions for 7-(24, 8,  $\lambda$ ) and prescribed group of automorphisms  $PSL(2, 23)$  is not yet known, but their number seems to be very large.

The 7-(27, 9, 60) and 7-(25, 9,  $\lambda$ ) are designs constructed by a method of Tran van Trung [26] from other designs, see also D. L. Kreher [14]. However, we do not get results on the number of isomorphism types in these cases. Also we do not know the automorphism group of these designs, in general. So, we could not construct them by our program directly. With standard constructions we obtain from the theorem also new parameter sets for simple  $t$ -designs with  $t < 7$ . Remarkably, there result a lot of parameter sets of 5-designs with an odd number of points.

While we were constructing new designs, we also proved a lot of non-existence results which are not included in this overview.

We further mention that the 7-(26, 8, 6) designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2, 25)$  are the only ones admitting  $PSL(2, 25)$  as an automorphism group. Besides the 7-designs we also found some new 6-designs.

**Theorem 1.2.** *There exist exactly 9, 49, 476, 1284, and 3069 isomorphism types of simple 6-(24, 8,  $\lambda$ ) designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2, 23)$  for  $\lambda = 36, 45, 54, 63$ , and 72, respectively. There exist exactly 242 isomorphism types of simple 6-(25, 8, 36)*

designs, exactly 10008 isomorphism types of simple 6-(25, 8, 45) designs, and there exist simple 6-(25, 8,  $\lambda$ ) designs for  $\lambda = 54, 63, 72, 81$ , admitting automorphism group  $PGL(2, 23)p$  in each case.  $PGL(2, 23)p$  is the permutation group on 25 points which is obtained from  $PGL(2, 23)$  in its natural action on 24 points by adding an additional fixed point.

There are no 6-(25, 8,  $\lambda$ ) designs admitting  $PGL(2, 23)p$  for  $\lambda = 9, 18, 27$ .

## 2. THE KRAMER-MESNER METHOD REVISITED

A standard tool for constructing  $t$ -designs goes back to Kramer and Mesner [13]. They assume a group  $A$  of automorphisms of the desired  $t$ -( $v, k, \lambda$ ) designs. In other words, this particular group  $A$  is prescribed and one is looking for designs admitting that group as a symmetry group. Of course, this is a risky business as the set of designs satisfying this additional condition may be empty. However, the assumption of such a group of automorphisms reduces the size of the problem drastically, allowing to tackle problems which would otherwise be too difficult to solve.

The group  $A$  is a permutation group on the underlying set  $V$  which we take as points for our design. Moreover, we also have  $A$  acting on  $k$ -subsets of  $V$ . A design  $(V, \mathcal{B})$  admits  $A$  as an automorphism group if and only if  $A$  maps blocks of the design onto blocks, that is, the set of blocks of the design consists of full  $k$ -orbits of  $A$ :

$$\mathcal{B} = K_1^A \dot{\cup} K_2^A \dot{\cup} \dots \dot{\cup} K_r^A$$

with  $K_1, \dots, K_r$  being base blocks of the block orbits in  $\mathcal{B}$ , respectively.

Now one has to consider the covering of  $t$ -subsets of  $V$  by blocks of the putative design. For  $T$  any  $t$ -subset and  $K$  any  $k$ -subset, let  $T$  be contained in exactly  $m(T, K^A)$   $k$ -subsets of  $K^A$ . It is easy to see that  $m(T, K^A) = m(T', K^A)$  for  $T' = T^a$  with an arbitrary  $a \in A$ , that is, the number  $m(T, K^A)$  is independent of the choice of the set  $T$  in its  $A$ -orbit.

To ensure the conditions of a design it is sufficient to check that a collection of  $k$ -orbits covers a set of representatives  $T_1, \dots, T_h$  of  $t$ -orbits exactly  $\lambda$  times each. In order to realize this one forms an  $h \times r$  matrix  $M_{t,k}^A$  indexed by  $t$ -orbit and  $k$ -orbit representatives, respectively, where  $m(T_i, K_j^A)$  in its  $i, j$ -the position. We call this matrix a Kramer-Mesner matrix.

Choosing a collection of  $k$ -orbits can be interpreted as multiplying the matrix by a 0/1-vector  $x$  of length  $r$ , where a 1 means that the corresponding  $k$ -orbit should belong to the design. Such a collection of  $k$ -orbits forms a designs if and only if  $M_{t,k}^A x = (\lambda, \dots, \lambda)^t$  where  $\lambda$  is repeated  $h$  times on the right hand side. Non-simple designs are obtained by allowing solution vectors with larger integer entries than 1.

At Bayreuth, the authors are developing a software package DISCRETA for the construction and handling of discrete structures, with  $t$ -designs being an outstanding but not exclusive topic of research. Using a double coset construction technique, the Kramer-Mesner matrices are evaluated using a new implementation of the Leiterspiel (snakes and ladders) [21]. Moreover, the system provides an LLL based solver of systems of Diophantine linear equations with unknowns only in 0/1

(cf. also [16, 27]). See [3] for a short overview on the algebraic background and the general principles which are applied. A major improvement of the solver is to begin with the computation of an LLL-reduced integer basis of the kernel of the given Kramer-Mesner system and then to enumerate all integer linear combinations of these basis vectors which give 0/1-solutions of the Kramer-Mesner matrix. We apply improved algorithms for LLL-reductions (cf. [23, 24]) and base the explicit enumeration of solutions on an algorithm in [11]. Last but not least we may have  $\lambda$  open as it is considered as a variable in the system of equations. Thus, the system also suggests appropriate parameters leading to sometimes unexpected results.

A decisive feature of DISCRETA is a graphical user interface written in OSF-MOTIF. All actions can be controlled from menus via mouse clicking. Moreover, the system has a variety of groups available, most of them being parameterized for example by dimension and field in the case of linear groups just to mention an example. DISCRETA allows to build up new groups from these using standard constructions like direct sum or direct product. Moreover, one may choose between different equation solvers, e.g. the LLL algorithm, a solver written by B. D. McKay, and a linear programming package lp\_solve [1]. The computed data can be stored and be reported in various formats like TeX or HTML. A database of design parameter sets is also included.

We would now like to point out some additional remarks. First, we may enlarge the Kramer-Mesner matrix by one further row, containing the orbit lengths of the  $k$ -orbits. We know in advance that a  $t$ -( $v, k, \lambda$ ) design has exactly

$$b = \frac{\binom{v}{t}}{\binom{k}{t}} \cdot \lambda$$

blocks. So, this additional row in the system ensures that the orbit lengths in the design sum up to  $b$ . Often one can conclude that not all  $k$ -orbits in the design can have full length  $|A|$ . So, one may start with choosing among the short orbits, that is, those with length less than  $|A|$ . Suppose we take  $PGL(2, 32)$  as an automorphism group of a design with parameters 7-(33, 8, 10), cf. [3]. The number of blocks in such a design is  $b = 5340060$ . The orbits on 8-subsets have lengths 163680, 81840, and 20460. Let  $a_i$  be the number of orbits of length  $|A|/i$  in the design. Dividing

$$b = a_1 \cdot 163680 + a_2 \cdot 81840 + a_8 \cdot 20460$$

by 20460 we get

$$261 = a_1 \cdot 8 + a_2 \cdot 4 + a_8.$$

Obviously,  $a_8 \neq 0$  and since there exists only one orbit of this length,  $a_8 = 1$ . So, there remains the restriction

$$65 = a_1 \cdot 2 + a_2.$$

In the solution [3] we have  $a_1 = 27$  and  $a_2 = 11$ .

In the case that  $A = PSL(2, p)$  is prescribed as an automorphism group of a Steiner system with parameters 5-( $p+1, 6, 1$ ), Grannell, Griggs, and Mathon [9] have shown that if 5 is not a divisor of  $|A|$  then each 5-set has a trivial stabilizer in  $A$ . In this case, any 6-set may have a stabilizer of order at most 6.

Consequently, there are only orbits of lengths  $|A|/n$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, 6$  on the set of 6-subsets when  $p \in \{11, 23, 47, 71, 83, 107, 131\}$ . So we obtain the equation

$$(p+1)p(p-1)(p-2)(p-3)/6! = b = (p+1)p(p-1)/2 \cdot (a_1 + a_2/2 + a_3/3 + a_6/6)$$

where the design has  $a_i$  6-orbits of length  $|A|/i$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 6$ . This equation reduces to

$$(p-2)(p-3)/60 = 6 \cdot a_1 + 3 \cdot a_2 + 2 \cdot a_3 + a_6.$$

If  $p \not\equiv 3 \pmod{8}$  then 6 does not divide the left hand side such that some  $a_i$  for  $i > 1$  must be greater than 0. Further restrictions may be deduced in special cases. For example,  $p = 47$  yields  $a_6 \equiv a_3 \pmod{3}$ .

B. D. McKay remarked that the additional equation involving the lengths of orbits can be interpreted as the approximation of all 0-sets by the  $k$ -sets of the desired design as well as the Kramer-Mesner matrix describes the possibilities to approximate the  $t$ -subsets. This leads to an interesting generalization: One can also look at the approximation of  $s$ -sets for  $0 < s < t$ . Note that these additional equations appear naturally when setting up the Kramer-Mesner systems for the designs with reduced  $t$ . It is well known that a  $t$ -design is also a  $s$ -design for  $0 \leq s < t$ . The resulting enlarged system of linear equations now has different values of  $\lambda$  on the right hand side but must have the same 0/1-solution vectors.

### 3. ISOMORPHISM PROBLEMS

The second important remark concerns isomorphism problems. Often, a more or less complicated system of invariants is used to classify the designs. Knowledge about the full automorphism groups is considered as a poor means of classification (cf. [7]). However, in [21] the full automorphism groups are used as a tool for determining the isomorphism types. It is easy to see that two designs defined on the same point set with the same automorphism group may only be mapped upon each other by an element of the normalizer of that group. Unfortunately, the Kramer-Mesner method only finds designs having at least the prescribed automorphism group  $A$ . So, in [21] a Moebius inversion technique is applied to find the designs with given full automorphism group and then the above argument is applied. However, this requires a thorough knowledge of the full lattice of subgroups between  $A$  and  $S_V$ . So, in Theorem 1.1 we claimed the existence of 7 isomorphism types of 7-(26, 8, 6) designs. In fact, we found twice as many solutions of the system of equations. In addition, we found that there were no solutions for the group  $PGL(2, 25)$  for this parameter set. Since this is the only proper subgroup of  $S_{26}$  containing  $PGL(2, 25)$ , [2], all our solutions have the latter group as their full automorphism group. The normalizer of  $PGL(2, 25)$  is  $PGL(2, 25)$ , which has orbits of length  $2 = |PGL(2, 25)/PGL(2, 5)|$  on the set of designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2, 25)$ . We remark that there are no additional solutions for the group  $PSL(2, 25)$ , such that also all overgroups of  $PSL(2, 25)$  different from  $PGL(2, 25)$  do not appear as the full automorphism group of any design with these parameters. The most simple case occurs when  $PGL(2, 25)$  is known to be an automorphism group. Then by this argument all solutions of the system of equations are pairwise non-isomorphic designs. This applies to the 3989 solutions for 7-(26, 9, 54). Also,

the cases where  $PGL(2, 23)$  is a prescribed automorphism group can be handled in this way. Interestingly, in some important situations this approach can be much simplified, so that we can solve isomorphism problems of designs with only very local knowledge of subgroups.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $G$  be a finite group acting on a set  $X$ . Let  $x_1, x_2 \in X$  and  $g \in G$  such that  $x_1^g = x_2$ . Let a Sylow subgroup  $P$  of  $G$  be contained in the stabilizers  $N_G(x_1)$  and  $N_G(x_2)$ . Then  $x_1^n = x_2$  for some  $n \in N_G(P)$ .*

This result is a slight generalization of Hilfssatz IV 2.5 in [10]. For convenience, we repeat the proof here.

*Proof.* Since  $P^g \leq N_G(x_1)^g = N_G(x_1^g) = N_G(x_2)$  and also  $P \leq N_G(x_2)$ , there is some  $h \in N_G(x_2)$  such that  $P^g = P^h$  by the Sylow Theorem. Then  $gh^{-1} = n \in N_G(P)$  and  $g = nh$ . Therefore  $x_2 = x_1^g = x_1^{nh}$  and  $x_1^n = x_2^{h^{-1}} = x_2$ .  $\square$

Let us apply this theorem to the case of  $t$ -designs. Here,  $G$  is the full symmetric group  $S_V$  acting induced on the set  $X$  of all  $t$ -designs with point set  $V$ . Assume the prescribed automorphism group  $A$  contains a Sylow subgroup  $P$  of  $S_V$ . Then by Theorem 3.1 two designs  $x_1, x_2$  having  $A$  as an automorphism group may be mapped upon each other by a permutation  $g$  only if already some  $n \in N_{S_V}(P)$  maps  $x_1$  onto  $x_2$ . If even  $N_{S_V}(P)$  is contained in  $A$  then all designs fixed by  $A$  are pairwise not isomorphic. So, in this case the solutions of the system of linear equations given by the Kramer-Mesner matrix form a full set of representatives from all isomorphism types of designs admitting  $A$  as full automorphism group.

If, for example,  $A$  is the holomorph of  $C_{19}$ , that is, the normalizer of  $C_{19}$  in  $S_{19}$  which is isomorphic to the semidirect product of  $C_{19}$  with its automorphism group with respect to the natural action, then all designs on 19 points admitting  $A$  as an automorphism group are pairwise non-isomorphic. Thus, there are exactly 255 isomorphism types of 5-(19, 6, 4)-designs and 17193 isomorphism types of 5-(19, 6, 6)-designs admitting this automorphism group.

An important case where the condition of Theorem 3.1 is fulfilled is the projective group  $PGL(2, p)$  for some prime  $p$ . This group is the permutation representation of the general linear group  $GL(2, p)$  on the set of all  $p+1$  subspaces of dimension 1 of the underlying vector space  $V = V(2, p)$ . It has order  $(p+1)p(p-1)$  and contains a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of the full symmetric group  $S_{p+1}$ . The normalizer  $N$  of a 1-dimensional subspace  $T$  of  $V$  in  $GL(2, p)$  has order  $p(p-1)^2$  and contains the centralizer of  $T$  and  $V/T$  as a normal subgroup. This centralizer is just of order  $p$  and therefore a normal subgroup of  $N$ . If we reduce modulo the center  $Z$  of  $GL(2, p)$  which is of order  $(p-1)$  we obtain that  $PZ/Z$  is a normal subgroup of  $NZ/Z$  and  $NZ/Z$  has order  $p(p-1)$ . Now this is just the order of the normalizer of a Sylow  $p$ -subgroup of  $S_{p+1}$  such that  $PGL(2, p)$  contains the normalizer of a Sylow subgroup of  $S_{p+1}$ . So whenever we construct objects where  $PGL(2, p)$  acts as a group of automorphisms all these objects are pairwise nonisomorphic.

Let us consider the famous Witt 5-(24, 8, 1) design, of which the automorphism group  $M_{24}$  contains  $PSL(2, 23)$  as a subgroup. This subgroup acts as a group of automorphisms on that design. Since  $PGL(2, 23)$  is not contained in  $M_{24}$ , there must be a second design fixed by  $PSL(2, 23)$  and interchanged with the first by  $PGL(2, 23)$ . The union of both designs is a 5-(24, 8, 2) design with automorphism

group  $PGL(2, 23)$ . This design consists of just one orbit of  $PGL(2, 23)$  on the set of 8-subsets. The same situation occurs with  $M_{12}$  and  $PGL(2, 11)$  as the corresponding groups. These designs will have been contained in those reported by [12] to exist. We only note that the systematic construction here results in *block-transitive* designs.

We note that there are exactly two solutions for a 5-(24, 7, 3) design with  $PSL(2, 23)$  as a group of automorphisms, so that there is just one isomorphism type of this kind. These solutions are block-transitive, which does not hold for larger values of  $\lambda$ . Exact numbers of isomorphism types, for  $(t, k) \in \{(3, 4), (3, 5), (4, 5), (3, 6), (4, 6), (5, 6)\}$ , also for larger values of  $\lambda$ , are contained in [21].

In a series of papers [8], [9], [6], Grannell, Griggs and Mathon have shown that in many cases only  $PSL(2, p)$  appears as a group of automorphisms of Steiner systems. As we have shown,  $PGL(2, p)$  contains the required normalizer of a Sylow subgroup of  $S_{p+1}$ . Therefore only the action of

$$PGL(2, p)/PSL(2, p) \cong C_2$$

on the set of solutions of the Kramer-Mesner system has to be taken into account. This explains why in [8], [9], [6], and [21], a representative from the non-trivial coset of  $PSL(2, p)$  in  $PGL(2, p)$  already suffices to distinguish between the isomorphism types of Steiner systems constructed with automorphism group  $PSL(2, p)$ .

All our claims about the number of isomorphism types of designs admitting as automorphism group  $PSL(2, 23)$  rely on the above argument and a complete construction of all solutions of the corresponding Kramer-Mesner system of Diophantine equations by our program. The situation is more difficult in the case of  $PGL(2, 23)p$ . This group still contains a 23-Sylow subgroup  $P$  of  $S_{25}$ , and the normalizer  $N$  of  $P$  has to map the fixed points of  $P$  onto fixed points. Thus,  $N$  is the direct product of  $S_2$  and  $Hol(C_{23})$ , the latter being contained in  $PGL(2, 23)$ . So, if two designs of this type are isomorphic, the transposition  $\tau$  of the two fixed points of  $P$  must interchange them. Then this transposition must also interchange their automorphism groups,  $A$  and  $B$  say. Since  $PGL(2, 23)p$  is contained in  $A$ , the conjugation by  $\tau$  moves  $PGL(2, 23)p$  onto a subgroup of  $B$ . Also  $PGL(2, 23)p$  is contained in  $B$ . So we only run a program to find out that  $PGL(2, 23)p$  and its conjugate together generate  $S_{25}$ . Then we see that only the trivial and the complete designs may have automorphism group  $B$ . Thus, also in this case we can conclude that all designs which are fixed by  $PGL(2, 23)p$  are pairwise non-isomorphic.

#### 4. DESCRIPTION OF DESIGNS

The following tables show designs for the parameter sets listed in Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2. The first column shows orbit representatives of all  $k$ -orbits. The length of the orbits is shown in the second column. For each  $\lambda$ , there are some columns of 0/1 matrix entries. Each of these columns is a solution vector of the Kramer-Mesner system of equations. Thus, an entry 1 in the  $i$ -th row means that the  $i$ -th orbit belongs to the design described by this solution vector. A 0-entry means that this orbit does not belong to that design.

For small numbers of solutions we completely list all isomorphism types. To indicate completeness of the solutions, we mark that column by a “◊”-sign. In the

other cases only 5 solutions are given to enable the analysis of such designs. A more complete listing can be found in the electronic tables of the journal or on the web pages of the authors. The addresses are:

[http://www.emba.uvm.edu/~jcd/reports/282/pub\\_7designs\\_jcd.html](http://www.emba.uvm.edu/~jcd/reports/282/pub_7designs_jcd.html)  
[http://www.mathe2.uni-bayreuth.de/betten/PUB/pub\\_7designs\\_jcd.html](http://www.mathe2.uni-bayreuth.de/betten/PUB/pub_7designs_jcd.html)

#### 4.1 Representation of the automorphism groups

We use the following permutation representation of  $PGL(2, 23)$ , a group of order 12144. Generators are the permutations

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= (3\ 7\ 4\ 12\ 6\ 22\ 10\ 19\ 18\ 13\ 11\ 24\ 20\ 23\ 15\ 21\ 5\ 17\ 8\ 9\ 14\ 16) \\ \beta &= (3\ 16\ 14\ 9\ 8\ 17\ 5\ 21\ 15\ 23\ 20\ 24\ 11\ 13\ 18\ 19\ 10\ 22\ 6\ 12\ 4\ 7) \\ \gamma &= (2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ 10\ 11\ 12\ 13\ 14\ 15\ 16\ 17\ 18\ 19\ 20\ 21\ 22\ 23\ 24) \\ \delta &= (1\ 3\ 14\ 10\ 8\ 16\ 6\ 12\ 5\ 20\ 9\ 23\ 4\ 18\ 7\ 22\ 15\ 21\ 11\ 19\ 17\ 13\ 24)\end{aligned}$$

The permutations  $\beta^2, \gamma$ , and  $\delta$  generate  $PSL(2, 23)$ , a group of order 6072. The group  $PGL(2, 23)p$  results from adding the fixed point 25 to each of the generators.

We use the following permutation representation of  $PGL(2, 25)$ , a group of order 31200. Generators are the permutations

$$\begin{aligned}\alpha &= (1\ 2\ 3\ 4\ 5\ 6\ 7\ 8\ 9\ 10\ 11\ 12\ 13\ 14\ 15\ 16\ 17\ 18\ 19\ 20\ 21\ 22\ 23\ 24) \\ \beta &= (1\ 17\ 14\ 15\ 10)(2\ 5\ 13\ 22\ 3)(4\ 11\ 9\ 19\ 8)(6\ 18\ 12\ 25\ 24)(7\ 21\ 23\ 16\ 20) \\ \gamma &= (1\ 8\ 4\ 17\ 3)(2\ 21\ 22\ 19\ 11)(5\ 16\ 20\ 13\ 15)(6\ 12\ 26\ 24\ 18)(7\ 10\ 9\ 14\ 23) \\ \delta &= (1\ 5)(2\ 10)(3\ 15)(4\ 20)(7\ 11)(8\ 16)(9\ 21)(13\ 17)(14\ 22)(19\ 23)\end{aligned}$$

The permutations  $\alpha, \beta$ , and  $\gamma$  generate the group  $PGL(2, 25)$ , a group of order 15600.

#### 4.2 Designs with automorphism group $PGL(2, 23)$

**TABLE I.** 7-(24,9, $\lambda$ ) Designs

orbits on 9-subsets of V				solutions				orbits on 9-subsets of V				solutions				
representative	length	$\lambda = 40$	$\lambda = 48$	representative	length	$\lambda = 40$	$\lambda = 48$	representative	length	$\lambda = 40$	$\lambda = 48$	representative	length	$\lambda = 40$	$\lambda = 48$	
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 11 12	6072	111111	111111	111111	12 3 4 5 7 11 13 18	2024	111111	000000	111111	12 3 4 5 6 8 12 14	12144	000000	100110	100111	111111	111111
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	6072	001000	100000	111111	12 3 4 5 7 10 11 13	6072	010100	100111	111111	12 3 4 5 6 8 9 23	12144	100110	000011	101011	111111	111111
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 9 12	12144	001100	000001	110001	12 3 4 5 6 8 9 10	6072	001110	111111	000000	12 3 4 5 6 10 13 17	12144	000000	000111	000001	111111	111111
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 12 15	12144	010001	000000	000000	12 3 4 5 7 8 9 10	6072	001110	111111	000000	12 3 4 5 6 8 9 12	12144	000111	011000	101100	111100	111100
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 10 20	6072	000000	000000	000000	12 3 4 5 7 8 14 21	12144	001111	011000	111111	12 3 4 5 6 8 10 22	12144	010000	101100	111100	111100	111100
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 13	12144	000000	000000	000000	12 3 4 5 6 9 10 17	12144	000000	000000	101000	12 3 4 5 7 8 16 22	6072	111111	111111	111111	111111	111111
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TABLE II. 6- $(24,8,\lambda)$  Designs

### 4.3 Designs with automorphism group $PSL(2, 23)$

TABLE III. 7-(24,8, $\lambda$ ) Designs

The last column in the table shows all 7-(24,8,8) designs with automorphism group  $PGL(2,23)$ . Orbit representatives preceded by "f" represent an orbit of

$PGL(2, 23)$  which is also an orbit of  $PSL(2, 23)$ . Orbit representatives preceded by "s" represent an orbit of  $PGL(2, 23)$  which splits into 2 orbits of  $PSL(2, 23)$ .

#### 4.4 Designs with automorphism group $PGL(2, 23)p$

TABLE IV. 6-(25, 8,  $\lambda$ ) Designs

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#### 4.5 Designs with automorphism group $PGL(2, 25)$

**TABLE V.** 7-(26, 9,  $\lambda$ ) Designs

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#### 4.6 Designs with automorphism group $PGL(2, 25)$

**TABLE VI.** 7- $(26,8,6)$  Designs

These 14 solutions fall into 7 isomorphism classes, since the normalizer  $P\Gamma L(2, 25)$  of  $PGL(2, 25)$  has orbits of length 2 on the set of these solutions. In fact,  $\delta$  represents the non-trivial coset of  $PGL(2, 25)$  in  $P\Gamma L(2, 25)$  and maps solution  $2 \times i$  onto solution  $2 \times i + 1$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, 7$  in the order the solutions are listed above.

The 7-(27, 9, 60) designs are not constructed directly by solving the system of equations given by a Kramer-Mesner matrix. Instead we apply an idea of Tran

van Trung [26], to obtain from a  $t$ -( $v, k, \lambda$ ) design and a  $t$ -( $v, k + 1, \lambda(\frac{v-t+1}{k-t+1} - 1)$ ) design a  $t$ -( $v + 1, k + 1, \lambda\frac{v-t+1}{k-t+1}$ ) design. Tran van Trung adds an additional point to the base set  $V$  and also to each block of the  $t$ -( $v, k, \lambda$ ) design and then adds all blocks of the  $t$ -( $v, k + 1, \lambda(\frac{v-t+1}{k-t+1} - 1)$ ) design. By this method we obtain from our 7-(26, 8, 6) and 7-(26, 9, 54) designs 7-(27, 9, 60) designs. Also, from our 7-(24, 8, 5) and 7-(24, 9, 40) designs we get 7-(25, 9, 45) designs, from 7-(24, 8, 6) and 7-(24, 9, 48) designs we get 7-(25, 9, 54) designs, and from 7-(24, 8, 8) and 7-(24, 9, 64) designs we get 7-(25, 9, 72) designs. Remarkably, there was no counterpart 7-(24, 9, 56) for 7-(24, 8, 7) to apply Tran van Trung's construction.

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