

Complete Mixed Doubles Round Robin Tournaments

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Abstract

We present a new type of tournament design that we call a complete mixed doubles round robin tournament, $CMDRR(n, k)$, that generalizes spouse-avoiding mixed doubles round robin tournaments and strict Mitchell mixed doubles round robin tournaments. We show that $CMDRR(n, k)$ exist for all allowed values of n and k apart from 4 exceptions and 31 possible exceptions. We show that a fully resolvable $CMDRR(2n, 0)$ exists for all $n \geq 5$ and a fully resolvable $CMDRR(3n, n)$ exists for all $n \geq 5$ and n odd. We prove a product theorem for constructing $CMDRR(n, k)$.

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1 Introduction

A mixed doubles tournament is a set of games or matches between two teams, where each team consists of one male and one female player, as in mixed doubles tennis. We are concerned here with the situation in which the teams are not fixed, but vary throughout the tournament, unlike, say, the usual arrangement in a bridge tournament, where the same two players form

a team in every match they play. Also we impose round robin properties on the tournament structure. These properties specify the number of times players oppose, and the number of times players of the opposite sex partner. The best-known type of a mixed doubles tournament in which partners are not fixed is the spouse-avoiding mixed doubles round robin tournament.

A spouse-avoiding mixed doubles round robin tournament, $SAMDRR(n)$, is a schedule of mixed doubles games for n husband and wife couples. The tournament is structured so that spouses never play in a match together as partners or opponents. However, every man and woman who are not spouses are partners exactly once and opponents exactly once, and every pair of players of the same sex are opponents exactly once. Brayton, Coppersmith, and Hoffman [8, 9] defined these tournaments in 1973 and showed that a $SAMDRR(n)$ exists for all n except 2, 3, and 6. A $SAMDRR(n)$ is resolvable if the games can be arranged in rounds so that: if n is even, each player plays in every round; and if n is odd, each player except one husband and wife plays in every round. It follows that for n odd, every player has exactly one bye, i.e., round they sit out. The total number of games is $n(n-1)/2$. The existence of a resolvable $SAMDRR(n)$ is equivalent to the existence of a self-orthogonal latin square of order n with a symmetric orthogonal mate (SOLSSOM) (see [3, 10]).

Recently, a new class of mixed doubles tournaments with round robin properties has been introduced and studied by Berman and Smith [6, 7]. They are called strict Mitchell mixed doubles round robin tournaments (strict $MMDRR$) and were motivated by an article of Anderson [4] who describes a problem of Mitchell [13] from the late nineteenth century.

Definition 1.1 *A strict Mitchell mixed doubles round robin tournament (strict $MMDRR(n)$) is a schedule of mixed doubles games for n men and n women in which every man and woman partner exactly once and oppose exactly once. Every pair of players of the same sex oppose at least once.*

Note first that since every player appears in n games, every player must oppose one player of the same sex exactly twice. Also, the number of games in a strict $MMDRR(n)$ is $n^2/2$. It follows that this tournament structure can be considered only when n is even. Berman and Smith [6] give examples of strict $MMDRR(n)$ for $n = 2, 4, 6, 10, 14$, prove a product theorem, and show strict $MMDRR(n)$ exist for $n = 16k$ for $k \geq 1$ and $n = 16k + 4$ for $k \geq 3$.

In this paper we introduce a new type of tournament called a complete mixed doubles round robin tournament that generalizes both $SAMDRR$ s and strict $MMDRR$ s.

Definition 1.2 *A complete mixed doubles round robin tournament ($CMDRR(n, k)$) is a schedule of mixed doubles games for n men and n*

women of which k men and k women are spouses. Spouses never play in a match together as partners or opponents. However, every man and woman who are not spouses are partners exactly once and opponents exactly once. Each player who has a spouse opposes every same sex player exactly once. Each player who does not have a spouse opposes some other same sex player who does not have a spouse exactly twice and opposes all other same sex players exactly once.

By definition every $CMDRR(n, 0)$ is a strict $MMDRR(n)$ and every $CMDRR(n, n)$ is a $SAMDRR(n)$. For odd n , $CMDRR(n, 1)$ is the closest that it is possible to come to the non-existent strict $MMDRR(n)$. The number of games in a $CMDRR(n, k)$ is $(n^2 - k)/2$. Players who do not have spouses are paired by repeated opposition so $n - k$ must be even. We represent a $CMDRR(n, k)$ as a square matrix of order n with males as row indices and females as column indices. The entry in position (M_i, F_j) is the pair (M_x, F_y) if and only if the game M_i, F_j v M_x, F_y is in the tournament. Each game contributes two entries, i.e., the entry in position (M_x, F_y) is the pair (M_i, F_j) . If the $CMDRR$ is a $SAMDRR$ then this representation is different than the standard representation. In the standard representation, a $SAMDRR(n)$ corresponds to a $SOLS(n)$ with males as both row and column indices and females as entries. There is a game M_i, F_x v M_j, F_y if and only if the entry in position (i, j) is x and the entry in position (j, i) is y . This standard representation cannot be used for a $CMDRR$ because of repeated opposition of same sex players.

Example 1.3 A $CMDRR(3, 1)$

	$F1$	$F2$	$F3$
$M1$		$M2F3$	$M3F2$
$M2$	$M3F3$	$M3F1$	$M1F2$
$M3$	$M2F2$	$M1F3$	$M2F1$

From row 1 we see that $M1$ opposes $M2, M3, F3, F2$, and partners $F2, F3$. From row 2 we see that $M2$ opposes $M3$ twice and $M1$ once, opposes $F3, F1, F2$, and partners $F1, F2, F3$. From row 3 we see that $M3$ opposes $M2$ twice and $M1$ once, opposes $F2, F3, F1$, and partners $F1, F2, F3$. From the columns we see similar information about each female. The hole at position $(M1, F1)$ indicates that these two players are spouses. Thus, it is easy to check that the conditions for a $CMDRR(3, 1)$ are satisfied. In future examples we will suppress the row and column headers and also the M and F in each entry.

We next discuss resolvability for $CMDRR(n, k)$. The games must be partitioned into rounds so that each player plays in at most one game per round. We will call a round *full* if it involves all players if n is even, and

all but 2 players if n is odd. A round that is not full is called *short*. A CMDRR(n, k) is called *fully resolvable* if the games can be partitioned into rounds with at most one short round. The round structure is specified by a matrix of order n , with entries from the set $\{1, \dots, r\}$, where r is the number of rounds, and each entry appears at most one time in each row and column. The entry in cell (i, j) is the round in which the game partnering M_i and F_j is played for non-spouses, or empty for spouses.

Example 1.4 *Resolution for the CMDRR(3, 1) of Example 1.3 into 4 full rounds.*

1	2
3	4
4	2

round	game	byes
1	$M1F2 \vee M2F3$	$M3, F1$
2	$M1F3 \vee M3F2$	$M2, F1$
3	$M2F1 \vee M3F3$	$M1, F2$
4	$M2F2 \vee M3F1$	$M1, F3$

Unfortunately, full resolvability is usually hard or impossible to come by. Alternatively we will settle for a partition of the games into all short rounds, all but one of equal length. Notice that every non-spouse player will have the same number of byes (say b), and every spouse player will have $b + 1$ byes. Ideally each of the equal length short rounds should have the greatest possible number of players.

2 Examples

In this section we give examples of CMDRR(n, k) for $n \leq 8$, and also of a CMDRR(9, 3) and a CMDRR(10, 2). Examples of SAMDRR(n) can be found in [3]. Most of the examples were found using an Embarcadero Delphi XE program, available from the second author. The program fixes the partnerships and then exchanges them between games in a tabu search algorithm that seeks to optimize the opposition pairs incidence matrix (see [14]). The examples will be used in the next section as the basis of our recursive construction. A more extensive list of examples is available from the authors.

The strict MMDRR(2), CMDRR(3, 1), and SAMDRR(n) for $n = 4, 5, 7$, and 8 are fully resolvable. It is easy to check by hand that the strict MMDRR(4) and the CMDRR(5, 1) are not fully resolvable. A computer search shows that the other examples are not fully resolvable. A non-trivial resolution into short rounds is given when known. In the next section we will give general results on resolvability.

2.1 Tournaments with 4 players

A SAMDRR(2) does not exist.

Example 2.1 A strict MMDRR(2) with repeat oppositions $M1M2$ and $F1F2$.

22	21
12	11

2.2 Tournaments with 6 players

A CMDRR(3, 1) was given in Example 1.3. A SAMDRR(3) does not exist.

2.3 Tournaments with 8 players

A SAMDRR(4) exists. A CMDRR(4, 2) does not exist.

Example 2.2 A strict MMDRR(4) with repeat oppositions $M1M2$, $M3M4$, $F1F2$, and $F3F4$.

24	41	22	33
32	13	44	11
43	21	14	42
12	34	31	23

2.4 Tournaments with 10 players

A SAMDRR(5) exists.

Example 2.3 A CMDRR(5, 1) with spouse pair $M1F1$ and repeat oppositions $M2M3$, $M4M5$, $F2F3$, and $F4F5$.

	55	22	43	34
54	13	32	35	41
42	23	51	15	24
25	31	14	52	53
33	44	45	21	12

Conjecture 2.4 A CMDRR(5, 3) does not exist.

2.5 Tournaments with 12 players

A SAMDRR(6) does not exist.

Example 2.5 A strict $MMDRR(6)$ with repeat oppositions $M1M2$, $M3M4$, $M5M6$, $F1F2$, $F3F4$, and $F5F6$.

55	63	24	42	26	31
44	36	61	13	52	15
16	41	45	53	64	22
32	14	56	21	33	65
62	25	34	66	11	43
23	51	12	35	46	54

Resolution with short rounds 1-9. Each round has 2 games and each player has 3 byes.

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

Conjecture 2.6 A $CMDRR(6, 2)$ does not exist.

Example 2.7 A $CMDRR(6, 4)$ with spouse pairs $M1F1$, $M2F2$, $M3F3$, and $M4F4$, and repeat oppositions $M5M6$ and $F5F6$.

	34	52	66	43	25
54		41	35	16	63
46	61		12	24	55
23	56	15		62	31
65	13	64	21	36	42
32	45	26	53	51	14

2.6 Tournaments with 14 players

A $SAMDRR(7)$ exists.

Example 2.8 A $CMDRR(7, 1)$ with spouse pair $M1F1$ and repeat oppositions $M2M3$, $M4M5$, $M6M7$, $F2F3$, $F4F5$, and $F6F7$.

	75	32	43	64	27	56
53	31	65	37	74	42	16
22	13	77	66	41	55	24
35	26	14	51	57	73	62
44	63	21	72	36	17	45
76	47	52	15	23	34	71
67	54	46	25	12	61	33

Resolution with short rounds 1 – 12. Each round has 2 games, each player except M1 and F1 has 5 byes, and each of M1 and F1 have 6 byes.

	8	9	2	5	6	3
7	2	3	12	1	10	4
2	9	10	8	11	4	12
11	10	2	6	9	5	7
6	1	7	11	4	3	9
12	7	1	5	3	8	4
4	11	5	1	8	12	10

Example 2.9 A CMDRR(7, 3) with spouse pairs M1F1, M2F2, and M3F3, and repeat oppositions M4M5, M6M7, F4F5, and F6F7.

	55	62	26	43	37	74
57		41	73	36	14	65
64	47		52	71	25	16
23	76	15	67	54	51	32
46	34	77	45	12	63	21
72	13	56	31	27	75	44
35	61	24	17	66	42	53

Example 2.10 A CMDRR(7, 5) with spouse pairs M1F1, M2F2, M3F3, M4F4, and M5F5, and repeat oppositions M6M7 and F6F7.

	54	42	35	66	27	73
45		61	53	37	74	16
52	76		67	14	41	25
36	13	75		21	57	62
77	31	24	12		63	46
23	47	56	71	72	15	34
64	65	17	26	43	32	51

2.7 Tournaments with 16 players

A SAMDRR(8) exists.

Example 2.11 A strict MMDRR(8) with repeat oppositions M1M2, M3M4, M5M6, M7M8, F1F2, F3F4, F5F6, and F7F8.

84	45	52	26	67	73	38	21
18	37	65	42	76	14	51	83
63	71	44	85	56	48	22	17
55	24	87	33	12	61	78	36
27	13	74	68	41	35	86	62
46	58	31	77	23	82	15	54
32	81	16	53	88	25	64	47
72	66	28	11	34	57	43	75

Resolution with short rounds 1 – 10, each with 3 games, and short round 11 with 2 games. Each player has 3 byes.

7	9	8	11	3	10	4	2
2	10	1	6	7	11	5	9
6	1	5	8	2	3	10	4
11	6	2	5	9	4	8	3
5	8	4	10	11	2	1	7
4	7	6	1	9	5	3	10
1	3	10	4	6	7	9	8
3	5	9	7	8	1	2	6

Example 2.12 A CMDRR(8, 2) with spouse pairs M1F1 and M2F2, and repeat oppositions M3M8, M4M5, M6M7, F3F7, F4F8, and F5F6.

	65	87	38	74	23	56	42
75		16	47	58	64	81	33
46	83	28	51	67	85	72	14
62	18	55	73	86	31	24	57
34	76	61	82	43	17	48	25
53	41	77	26	12	78	35	84
88	37	44	15	21	52	63	66
27	54	32	68	36	45	13	71

Example 2.13 A CMDRR(8, 4) with spouse pairs M1F1, M2F2, M3F3 and M4F4 and repeat oppositions M5M7, M6M8, F5F7, and F6F8.

	58	42	83	66	34	25	77
73		55	61	17	48	36	84
88	64		16	72	27	51	45
52	13	67		38	71	85	26
37	41	86	75	23	68	74	12
24	87	78	32	81	15	43	56
46	35	21	57	54	82	18	63
65	76	14	28	47	53	62	31

Example 2.14 A CMDRR(8, 6) with spouse pairs M1F1, M2F2, M3F3, M4F4, M5F5, and M6F6, and repeat oppositions M7M8 and F7F8.

	64	56	38	47	72	83	25
43		74	86	18	35	61	57
68	75		51	26	87	42	14
76	37	21		63	58	15	82
34	81	62	77		13	28	46
27	53	45	12	84		78	31
85	16	88	23	32	41	54	67
52	48	17	65	71	24	36	73

2.8 Tournaments with more than 16 players

Example 2.15 A $CMDRR(9, 3)$ with spouse pairs $M1F1$, $M2F2$, and $M3F3$, and repeat oppositions $M4M5$, $F4F5$, $M6M7$, $F6F7$, $M8M9$, and $F8F9$.

	47	29	66	53	82	38	75	94
77		68	35	46	91	54	89	13
95	61		52	24	78	49	17	86
63	58	56	81	74	25	12	99	37
88	34	15	27	69	43	96	42	71
32	79	41	98	87	14	76	23	55
59	93	84	45	18	67	21	36	62
44	16	97	73	92	39	65	51	28
26	85	72	19	31	57	83	64	48

Resolution with short rounds 1 – 13, each with 3 games.

	3	4	9	2	12	1	11	13
6		3	12	5	2	7	10	4
10	5		11	12	8	2	1	6
7	13	1	8	4	5	3	12	2
9	11	2	7	8	1	4	13	3
5	1	7	6	13	9	10	3	8
3	9	5	4	11	10	6	8	1
8	12	11	5	7	6	13	9	10
2	7	9	13	10	4	11	6	12

Example 2.16 A $CMDRR(10, 2)$ with spouse pairs $M1F1$ and $M2F2$, and repeat oppositions $M3M4$, $F3F4$, $M5M6$, $F5F6$, $M7M8$, $F7F8$, $M9M0$, and $F9F0$.

	40	74	92	66	85	29	37	53	08
48		56	39	00	71	84	95	17	63
90	05	82	51	73	67	18	49	24	46
69	86	04	75	57	30	93	21	38	12
34	68	19	60	81	23	45	76	02	97
03	77	20	88	99	15	36	52	41	54
26	91	35	13	44	58	62	07	80	89
55	33	98	27	16	42	01	64	70	79
72	14	47	06	28	09	50	83	65	31
87	59	61	43	32	94	78	10	96	25

Resolution with short rounds 1 – 16, each with 3 games, and short round 17 with 1 game.

	7	2	5	15	3	9	6	1	16
14		16	3	6	12	13	2	9	8
4	11	12	15	7	14	6	13	3	1
11	6	4	16	10	1	3	14	13	7
15	4	1	9	8	16	10	5	2	11
13	1	8	10	12	15	14	4	11	9
12	10	7	2	16	5	1	15	17	14
8	12	9	13	3	6	5	10	14	17
10	5	3	8	2	7	11	9	12	4
5	2	13	4	11	8	15	16	7	6

3 Recursive Construction

In this section we present a recursive construction using holey SOLS and use it to show the existence of CMDRR(n, k) for all allowed values of n and k , apart from 4 exceptions and 31 possible exceptions. We show that a fully resolvable CMDRR($2n, 0$) exists for all $n \geq 5$ and a fully resolvable CMDRR($3n, n$) exists for all $n \geq 5$ and n odd.

For completeness we include the definition of a holey SOLS (see [10]).

Definition 3.1 A holey SOLS (or frame SOLS) is a self-orthogonal latin square of order n with n_i missing sub-SOLS (holes) of order h_i ($1 \leq i \leq k$), which are disjoint and spanning (that is $\sum_{1 \leq i \leq k} n_i h_i = n$). It is denoted by HSOLS($h_1^{n_1} \dots h_k^{n_k}$) where $h_1^{n_1} \dots h_k^{n_k}$ is the type of the HSOLS.

Suppose an HSOLS exists and CMDRR exist for each hole size. Then we can fill in the holes with the CMDRRs to get a new CMDRR. The details follow. For convenience we will assume that a CMDRR(1, 1) exists with spouse pair M1F1 and no games.

Theorem 3.2 Suppose an HSOLS(n) of type $h_1^{n_1} \dots h_k^{n_k}$ exists and for each h_i there exist CMDRR(h_i, m_{i1}), ..., CMDRR(h_i, m_{in_i}). Then there exists a CMDRR(n, s) where $s = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq k} \sum_{1 \leq j \leq n_i} m_{ij}$.

Proof: By possibly relabeling players we can assume that the HSOLS is block diagonal. By construction, spouse pairs will always have the form $M_i F_i$.

Use the standard SOLS representation for a SAMDRR to identify games for all entries of the HSOLS that are not in a hole. Thus every entry (i, j) not in a hole will contribute the game $M_i F(i, j) \vee M_j F(j, i)$. By definition of an HSOLS these games satisfy the conditions that every pair of opposite

sex players have partnered and opposed at most once, every pair of same sex players have opposed at most once, and no spouses have played in a game together.

Each missing sub-SOLS (hole) corresponds to a set S of consecutive integers which are the indices and also the missing entries. Use a translation of an appropriate sized CMDRR and identify games using the representation introduced for CMDRRs. Assume the translation is by t . Then a non-empty entry (i, j) of the CMDRR will contribute the game $Mi'Mj' \vee Fx'Fy'$ where the (i, j) entry of the CMDRR is (x, y) and each primed symbol is the corresponding unprimed symbol plus t . By definition of an HSOLS, the players in a hole will not be involved in any other common games.

Taking all the games identified by the two different processes described above will produce the required CMDRR. As every pair of players is either in a hole or not in any hole, the conditions for a CMDRR are met. ■

Example 3.3 A CMDRR(11,7) can be constructed from the HSOLS($1^6 3^1 2^1$) given below (see [10, 16]). Use the CMDRR(3, 1) of Example 1.3 to fill the hole of size three and the strict MMDRR(2) of Example 2.1 to fill the hole of size two. The spouse pairs are $M1F1, \dots, M7F7$. The repeat oppositions are $M8M9, F8F9, M10M11, \text{ and } F10F11$.

.	7	5	2	10	9	4	11	3	6	8
6	.	8	7	3	10	1	5	11	4	9
9	4	.	10	8	1	11	2	6	5	7
5	11	9	.	7	2	6	10	1	8	3
7	6	11	3	.	8	2	4	10	9	1
11	8	4	9	1	.	10	3	5	7	2
3	10	6	1	11	5	.	.	.	2	4
4	1	10	6	2	11	.	.	.	3	5
10	5	2	11	4	3	.	.	.	1	6
8	9	7	5	6	4	3	1	2	.	.
2	3	1	8	9	7	5	6	4	.	.

In order to create CMDRR using Theorem 3.2 we need a supply of HSOLS. The following theorems (see [10, 12, 15]) give just the supply we need.

Theorem 3.4 For $n \geq 4$ and $a \geq 2$, an HSOLS($a^n b^1$) exists if $0 \leq b \leq a(n-1)/2$ with possible exceptions for $n \in \{6, 14, 18, 22\}$ and $b = a(n-1)/2$.

Definition 3.5 An incomplete SOLS is a self-orthogonal latin square of order n missing a sub-SOLS of order k , denoted by ISOLS(n, k). An ISOLS(n, k) is equivalent to an HSOLS($1^{n-k} k^1$). (see [10])

Theorem 3.6 *There exists an ISOLS(n, k) for all values of n and k satisfying $n \geq 3k + 1$, except for $(n, k) = (6, 1), (8, 2)$ and possibly excepting $n = 3k + 2$ and $k \in \{6, 8, 10\}$.*

We can now show that CMDRR(n, k) exist for all but a finite number of possible exceptions.

Theorem 3.7 *There exists a CMDRR(n, k) for each $n \geq 32, k \leq n$, and $n - k$ even.*

Proof: By Theorem 3.4 an HSOLS($a^n b^1$) exists for $a = 8, n \geq 4$, and $0 \leq b \leq 7$. Each hole of size 8 can be filled with any one of the CMDRR(8, 0) (Example 2.11), CMDRR(8, 2) (Example 2.12), CMDRR(8, 4) (Example 2.13), CMDRR(8, 6) (Example 2.14), or a SAMDRR(8). For $2 \leq b \leq 7$, the hole of size b can be filled with one of the CMDRR(b, i) given in Examples 2.1–2.10 or the SAMDRR(b) for $b \neq 2, 3, 6$. By direct observation and using Theorem 3.4 we have the stated CMDRRs, except for CMDRR(n, n) when $n \geq 32$ and $n \equiv 2, 3$, or $6 \pmod{8}$. But we know that SAMDRR(n) exist for these sizes. ■

Finally we can use Theorems 3.4 and 3.6 to handle special cases for $n < 32$ and give our main result.

Theorem 3.8 *There exists a CMDRR(n, k) for each $n \geq 2, k \leq n$, and $n - k$ even, except for $(n, k) = (2, 2), (3, 3), (4, 2), (6, 6)$ and possibly excepting the following 31 values: $(n, k) = (5, 3), (6, 2), (12, 2), (12, 6), (12, 8), (13, 3), (13, 7), (14, 2), (14, 6), (15, 3), (15, 7), (15, 9), (16, 2), (16, 10), (17, 3), (17, 7), (17, 11), (18, 2), (18, 10), (19, 3), (19, 11), (20, 2), (20, 14), (21, 3), (21, 11), (22, 2), (22, 14), (23, 15), (24, 2), (24, 14), (25, 15)$.*

Proof: By Theorem 3.7, a CMDRR(n, k) exists for $n \geq 32$. The table below shows a construction that can be used for each value of $n < 32$ and compatible k , except for the values listed above.

n	k	construction
9	1	HSOLS($2^4 1^1$)
9	3	Example 2.15
9	5	HSOLS($2^2 1^5$) Lemma 2.2 of [15]
9	7	ISOLS(9, 2)
10	0	HSOLS(2^5)
10	2	Example 2.16
10	4	HSOLS($2^3 1^4$) Lemma 2.2 of [15]
10	6	HSOLS($2^2 1^6$) Lemma 2.2 of [15]
10	8	ISOLS(10, 2)
11	1	HSOLS($2^5 1^1$)
11	3	HSOLS($2^4 1^3$) Lemma 2.2 of [15]
11	5	HSOLS($2^3 1^5$) Lemma 2.2 of [15]
11	7	HSOLS($1^6 3^1 2^1$) Example 3.3
11	9	ISOLS(11, 2)
12	0	HSOLS(2^6)
12	4	HSOLS(3^4)
12	10	ISOLS(12, 2)
13	1	HSOLS($2^5 3^1$)
13	5	HSOLS($3^4 1^1$)
13	9	ISOLS(13, 4)
13	11	ISOLS(13, 2)
14	0	HSOLS(2^7)
14	4	HSOLS($3^4 2^1$)
14	8	HSOLS($1^8 4^1 2^1$) [2]
14	10,14	ISOLS(14, 4)
14	12	ISOLS(14, 2)
15	1	HSOLS($2^6 3^1$)
15	5	HSOLS(3^5)
15	11	ISOLS(15, 4)
15	13	ISOLS(15, 2)
16	0,4,8,12,16	HSOLS(4^4)
16	6	HSOLS($3^5 1^1$)
16	14	ISOLS(16, 2)
17	1,5,9,13,17	HSOLS($4^4 1^1$)
17	15	ISOLS(17, 2)
18	0,4,8,12,16	HSOLS($4^4 2^1$)
18	6	HSOLS(3^6)
18	14,18	ISOLS(18, 4)
19	1,5,9,13,17	HSOLS($4^4 3^1$)
19	7	HSOLS($3^6 1^1$)
19	15,19	ISOLS(19, 4)

20	0,4,8,12,16,20	HSOLS(4^5)	
20	6,10	HSOLS($3^5 5^1$)	
20	18	ISOLS(20, 2)	
21	1,5,9,13,17,21		HSOLS($4^5 1^1$)
21	7		HSOLS(3^7)
21	15,19		ISOLS(21, 6)
22	0,4,8,12,16,20		HSOLS($4^5 2^1$)
22	6,10		HSOLS($3^6 4^1$)
22	16,18,20,22		ISOLS(22, 7)
23	1,5,9,13,17,21		HSOLS($4^5 3^1$)
23	3		HSOLS($2^8 7^1$)
23	7,11		HSOLS($3^6 5^1$)
23	17,19,21,23		ISOLS(23, 7)
24	0,4,8,12,16		HSOLS(6^4)
24	6,10		HSOLS($3^6 6^1$)
24	18,20,22,24		ISOLS(24,7)
25	1,3,5,7,9,11,13		HSOLS($6^4 1^1$)
25	17,19,21,23,25		ISOLS(25,8)
26	0,4,8,12,16,20,24		HSOLS($4^5 6^1$)
26	2		HSOLS($2^9 8^1$)
26	6,10,14,18,22,26		HSOLS($5^5 1^1$)
27	1,3,5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19,21,23,25,27		HSOLS($4^5 7^1$)
28	0,2		HSOLS($2^{10} 8^1$)
28	4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20,22,24,26,28		HSOLS(7^4)
29	1,3		HSOLS($2^{11} 7^1$)
29	5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19,21,23,25,27,29		HSOLS($7^4 1^1$)
30	0,2		HSOLS($2^{11} 8^1$)
30	4,6,8,10,12,14,16,18,20,22,24,26,28		HSOLS($7^4 2^1$)
31	1,3		HSOLS($2^{12} 7^1$)
31	5,7,9,11,13,15,17,19,21,23,25,27,29		HSOLS($7^4 3^1$)



Resolvability of a CMDRR is more difficult to ensure. By filling holes in an HSOLSSOM we can construct resolvable CMDRR. For completeness we include the definition of a holey SOLSSOM (see [10]).

Definition 3.9 *A holey SOLSSOM (or frame SOLSSOM) is a holey self-orthogonal latin square S of order n and type $h_1^{n_1} \dots h_k^{n_k}$, together with a symmetric partitioned latin square M of order n and type $h_1^{n_1} \dots h_k^{n_k}$, satisfying the property that when superimposed, the ordered pairs are exactly those pairs of symbols that are from different holes. A holey SOLSSOM with this structure is denoted by $HSOLSSOM(h_1^{n_1} \dots h_k^{n_k})$, where $h_1^{n_1} \dots h_k^{n_k}$ is the type of the HSOLSSOM.*

Using the next Theorem [10, 11] we can construct resolvable CMDRR.

Theorem 3.10 *An HSOLSSOM(2^n) exists for all $n \geq 5$ and an HSOLSSOM(3^n) exists for all odd values of n with $n \geq 5$.*

Theorem 3.11 *A fully resolvable strict MMDRR($2n$) exists for all $n \geq 5$.*

Proof: Begin with an HSOLSSOM(2^n) and convert this to a resolvable mixed doubles round robin with $2n$ rounds of play. Pairs of rounds will be missing all four of the players from one of the n holes. Simply fill these holes with a strict MMDRR(2) constructed on the corresponding four players, thus completing the $2n$ rounds. ■

Example 3.12 *Lemma 2.1.2 of Bennett and Zhu [5] gives both an example of a holey Steiner pentagon system (HSPS) of type 2^6 and also its equivalent HSOLSSOM(2^6). We rearrange the latter to make the holes block diagonal.*

.	.	6	10	12	11	5	3	4	8	9	7
.	.	10	11	8	9	4	6	5	12	7	3
12	8	.	.	9	7	10	1	11	6	5	2
6	5	.	.	7	12	2	9	1	11	8	10
10	4	12	9	.	.	1	11	2	7	3	8
4	11	1	8	.	.	12	2	7	3	10	9
9	10	11	12	4	3	.	.	6	5	2	1
11	3	9	6	2	10	.	.	12	1	4	5
7	12	8	5	3	2	11	4	.	.	1	6
5	7	2	1	11	8	3	12	.	.	6	4
8	6	7	2	10	1	9	5	3	4	.	.
3	9	5	7	1	4	6	10	8	2	.	.

.	.	7	11	8	10	4	9	5	12	3	6
.	.	6	8	11	7	12	10	3	4	9	5
7	6	.	.	2	12	5	11	1	8	10	9
11	8	.	.	1	9	10	12	7	6	5	2
8	11	2	1	.	.	9	4	12	3	7	10
10	7	12	9	.	.	1	3	11	2	4	8
4	12	5	10	9	1	.	.	2	11	6	3
9	10	11	12	4	3	.	.	6	5	2	1
5	3	1	7	12	11	2	6	.	.	8	4
12	4	8	6	3	2	11	5	.	.	1	7
3	9	10	5	7	4	6	2	8	1	.	.
6	5	9	2	10	8	3	1	4	7	.	.

The HSOLSSOM is converted to a mixed doubles tournament and filled to produce a fully resolvable strict MMDRR(12) with 12 rounds.

R1	M01 F01 v M02 F02	M03 F11 v M09 F08	M04 F07 v M05 F09
	M06 F12 v M07 F03	M08 F05 v M12 F10	M10 F06 v M11 F04
R2	M01 F02 v M02 F01	M03 F09 v M05 F12	M04 F10 v M12 F07
	M06 F03 v M10 F08	M07 F06 v M09 F11	M08 F04 v M11 F05
R3	M01 F09 v M11 F08	M02 F05 v M09 F12	M03 F03 v M04 F04
	M05 F07 v M10 F11	M06 F02 v M08 F10	M07 F01 v M12 F06
R4	M01 F05 v M07 F09	M02 F12 v M10 F07	M03 F04 v M04 F03
	M05 F11 v M08 F02	M06 F10 v M11 F01	M09 F06 v M12 F08
R5	M01 F04 v M09 F07	M02 F03 v M12 F09	M03 F10 v M07 F11
	M04 F08 v M11 F02	M05 F05 v M06 F06	M08 F01 v M10 F12
R6	M01 F07 v M12 F03	M02 F10 v M03 F08	M04 F11 v M10 F01
	M05 F06 v M06 F05	M07 F02 v M11 F09	M08 F12 v M09 F04
R7	M01 F06 v M03 F12	M02 F09 v M06 F11	M04 F01 v M09 F05
	M05 F03 v M11 F10	M07 F07 v M08 F08	M10 F04 v M12 F02
R8	M01 F12 v M05 F10	M02 F11 v M04 F05	M03 F06 v M10 F02
	M06 F09 v M12 F04	M07 F08 v M08 F07	M09 F01 v M11 F03
R9	M01 F03 v M08 F11	M02 F07 v M11 F06	M03 F02 v M12 F05
	M04 F12 v M06 F08	M05 F01 v M07 F04	M09 F09 v M10 F10
R10	M01 F11 v M06 F04	M02 F06 v M08 F03	M03 F05 v M11 F07
	M04 F02 v M07 F12	M05 F08 v M12 F01	M09 F10 v M10 F09
R11	M01 F10 v M04 F06	M02 F08 v M05 F04	M03 F01 v M08 F09
	M06 F07 v M09 F02	M07 F05 v M10 F03	M11 F11 v M12 F12
R12	M01 F08 v M10 F05	M02 F04 v M07 F10	M03 F07 v M06 F01
	M04 F09 v M08 F06	M05 F02 v M09 F03	M11 F12 v M12 F11

Theorem 3.13 A fully resolvable CMDRR($3n, n$) exists for all $n \geq 5$ and n odd.

Proof: Begin with an HSOLSSOM(3^n) and convert to a resolved mixed doubles round robin tournament. Fill each hole with a CMDRR(3, 1) on the corresponding six players, noting that each CMDRR(3, 1) contributes one spouse pair to the final schedule. Three of the four games from each CMDRR(3, 1) are added to the three rounds that lack the six players from the hole. Collect together the fourth game from each CMDRR(3, 1) into one additional round. This give a tournament with $3n + 1$ rounds of play. The first $3n$ full rounds will all have $(3n - 1)/2$ games and two byes, and the additional short round will have n games and $2n$ byes. Over the course of the tournament, each spouse pair player will receive exactly 2 byes while the non-spouse pair players will receive exactly 1 bye. ■

Example 3.14 Lemma 2.2 of Abel et al. [1] gives an example of a HSPS of type 3^5 which is equivalent to the HSOLSSOM(3^5) below.

.	.	.	12	9	13	14	6	11	7	5	15	8	10	4
.	.	.	14	10	7	12	15	4	13	8	6	5	9	11
.	.	.	8	15	11	5	10	13	4	14	9	12	6	7
7	11	13	.	.	.	15	12	2	3	9	14	10	8	1
14	8	12	.	.	.	3	13	10	15	1	7	2	11	9
10	15	9	.	.	.	11	1	14	8	13	2	7	3	12
4	13	11	10	14	2	.	.	.	1	15	5	6	12	3
12	5	14	3	11	15	.	.	.	6	2	13	1	4	10
15	10	6	13	1	12	.	.	.	14	4	3	11	2	5
6	9	15	7	2	14	13	3	5	.	.	.	4	1	8
13	4	7	15	8	3	6	14	1	.	.	.	9	5	2
8	14	5	1	13	9	2	4	15	.	.	.	3	7	6
11	7	4	9	12	1	10	5	3	2	6	8	.	.	.
5	12	8	2	7	10	1	11	6	9	3	4	.	.	.
9	6	10	11	3	8	4	2	12	5	7	1	.	.	.

.	.	.	14	10	7	12	15	4	13	8	6	5	9	11
.	.	.	8	15	11	5	10	13	4	14	9	12	6	7
.	.	.	12	9	13	14	6	11	7	5	15	8	10	4
14	8	12	.	.	.	3	13	10	15	1	7	2	11	9
10	15	9	.	.	.	11	1	14	8	13	2	7	3	12
7	11	13	.	.	.	15	12	2	3	9	14	10	8	1
12	5	14	3	11	15	.	.	.	6	2	13	1	4	10
15	10	6	13	1	12	.	.	.	14	4	3	11	2	5
4	13	11	10	14	2	.	.	.	1	15	5	6	12	3
13	4	7	15	8	3	6	14	1	.	.	.	9	5	2
8	14	5	1	13	9	2	4	15	.	.	.	3	7	6
6	9	15	7	2	14	13	3	5	.	.	.	4	1	8
5	12	8	2	7	10	1	11	6	9	3	4	.	.	.
9	6	10	11	3	8	4	2	12	5	7	1	.	.	.
11	7	4	9	12	1	10	5	3	2	6	8	.	.	.

The HSOLSSOM is converted to a mixed doubles tournament and filled to produce a CMDRR(15,5) with 15 full rounds and 1 short round. The spouse pairs are M1F1, M4F4, M7F7, M10F10, and M13F13.

R1	M01 F02 v M02 F03 M06 F12 v M15 F08 M12 F07 v M14 F04	M04 F09 v M11 F15 M07 F06 v M13 F10	M05 F13 v M08 F11 M09 F14 v M10 F05
R2	M01 F03 v M03 F02 M06 F14 v M09 F12 M10 F08 v M15 F05	M04 F10 v M13 F09 M07 F15 v M11 F06	M05 F07 v M12 F13 M08 F04 v M14 F11
R3	M02 F01 v M03 F03 M06 F08 v M10 F14 M11 F09 v M13 F06	M04 F15 v M07 F10 M08 F13 v M12 F04	M05 F11 v M14 F07 M09 F05 v M15 F12
R4	M01 F11 v M09 F15 M04 F05 v M05 F06 M12 F03 v M13 F08	M02 F13 v M10 F09 M07 F12 v M14 F01	M03 F07 v M15 F10 M08 F02 v M11 F14
R5	M01 F08 v M13 F11 M04 F06 v M06 F05 M10 F01 v M14 F09	M02 F12 v M07 F13 M08 F10 v M15 F02	M03 F14 v M11 F07 M09 F03 v M12 F15
R6	M01 F15 v M12 F08 M05 F04 v M06 F06 M11 F02 v M15 F07	M02 F09 v M14 F12 M07 F01 v M10 F13	M03 F10 v M08 F14 M09 F11 v M13 F03
R7	M01 F13 v M06 F10 M04 F14 v M12 F01 M11 F05 v M14 F03	M02 F11 v M15 F06 M05 F02 v M13 F12	M03 F04 v M10 F15 M07 F08 v M08 F09
R8	M01 F05 v M11 F13 M05 F15 v M10 F02 M12 F06 v M15 F01	M02 F14 v M04 F11 M06 F03 v M14 F10	M03 F12 v M13 F04 M07 F09 v M09 F08
R9	M01 F10 v M14 F05 M04 F01 v M15 F11 M10 F04 v M13 F02	M02 F06 v M12 F14 M06 F13 v M11 F03	M03 F15 v M05 F12 M08 F07 v M09 F09
R10	M01 F09 v M05 F14 M04 F02 v M09 F13 M10 F11 v M11 F12	M02 F15 v M08 F05 M06 F07 v M13 F01	M03 F06 v M14 F08 M07 F03 v M15 F04
R11	M01 F04 v M15 F09 M04 F08 v M14 F02 M10 F12 v M12 F11	M02 F07 v M06 F15 M05 F03 v M07 F14	M03 F13 v M09 F06 M08 F01 v M13 F05
R12	M01 F14 v M07 F04 M05 F09 v M15 F03 M11 F10 v M12 F12	M02 F05 v M13 F07 M06 F01 v M08 F15	M03 F08 v M04 F13 M09 F02 v M14 F06
R13	M01 F07 v M10 F06 M04 F12 v M08 F03 M13 F14 v M14 F15	M02 F04 v M09 F10 M05 F01 v M11 F08	M03 F11 v M06 F09 M07 F05 v M12 F02
R14	M01 F12 v M04 F07 M05 F10 v M09 F01 M13 F15 v M15 F14	M02 F08 v M11 F04 M06 F02 v M12 F09	M03 F05 v M07 F11 M08 F06 v M10 F03
R15	M01 F06 v M08 F12 M04 F03 v M10 F07 M14 F13 v M15 F15	M02 F10 v M05 F08 M06 F11 v M07 F02	M03 F09 v M12 F05 M09 F04 v M11 F01
R16	M02 F02 v M03 F01 M11 F11 v M12 F10	M05 F05 v M06 F04 M14 F14 v M15 F13	M08 F08 v M09 F07

Example 3.15 *Abel et al. [2] gives an example of an HSOLS(3^{51}) which is shown in block diagonal form below.*

.	.	.	10	14	11	5	12	19	15	7	8	6	16	4	9
.	.	.	12	13	14	10	16	4	9	15	5	11	6	8	7
.	.	.	13	15	10	4	11	12	14	6	9	7	5	16	8
9	16	11	.	.	.	14	9	2	19	8	15	10	1	7	12
16	8	7	.	.	.	15	14	1	3	9	13	12	2	11	10
7	12	15	.	.	.	1	13	3	8	14	16	9	10	2	11
14	6	10	2	11	19	.	.	.	4	5	3	16	12	1	15
5	11	14	15	10	16	.	.	.	6	1	4	2	3	12	13
6	15	19	11	16	12	.	.	.	5	2	1	3	4	10	14
8	14	4	3	7	2	13	15	16	.	.	.	5	9	6	1
19	5	16	14	1	7	3	6	15	.	.	.	4	8	9	2
4	19	6	1	9	15	16	2	14	.	.	.	8	7	5	3
11	9	12	7	8	3	2	5	10	1	16	6	.	.	.	4
10	7	9	8	12	1	6	4	11	16	9	2	.	.	.	5
12	10	8	16	3	9	11	1	5	2	4	7	.	.	.	6
15	4	5	9	2	8	12	10	6	7	13	14	1	11	3	.

A CMDRR(16,6) can be derived from this and can be played in 25 short rounds of 5 games each (by computer search). The spouse pairs are M1F1, M4F4, M7F7, M10F10, M13F13, and M16F16.

- R1 M02 F11 v M19 F09 M04 F08 v M11 F14 M05 F05 v M06 F04
M07 F15 v M16 F12 M10 F06 v M15 F02
- R2 M03 F04 v M07 F10 M05 F12 v M13 F08 M06 F16 v M12 F15
M08 F01 v M11 F06 M14 F14 v M15 F13
- R3 M01 F07 v M11 F13 M02 F08 v M15 F10 M03 F14 v M10 F04
M04 F02 v M09 F11 M07 F12 v M14 F06
- R4 M01 F09 v M16 F15 M04 F19 v M10 F03 M05 F02 v M14 F12
M06 F14 v M11 F07 M09 F10 v M15 F05
- R5 M02 F04 v M09 F15 M03 F11 v M08 F14 M06 F01 v M07 F13
M10 F09 v M14 F16 M11 F10 v M12 F12
- R6 M02 F10 v M07 F06 M04 F03 v M08 F15 M05 F01 v M09 F16
M10 F11 v M11 F12 M12 F05 v M15 F07
- R7 M01 F13 v M09 F06 M02 F09 v M10 F14 M03 F16 v M15 F08
M07 F05 v M11 F03 M08 F04 v M12 F02
- R8 M01 F02 v M02 F03 M03 F07 v M13 F12 M04 F06 v M06 F05
M08 F13 v M16 F10 M09 F01 v M12 F14
- R9 M04 F15 v M12 F01 M07 F04 v M10 F13 M08 F02 v M13 F05
M09 F14 v M16 F06 M11 F08 v M14 F03
- R10 M05 F14 v M08 F10 M06 F02 v M15 F09 M07 F03 v M12 F16
M09 F04 v M14 F11 M10 F05 v M13 F01
- R11 M02 F05 v M12 F13 M03 F15 v M05 F07 M06 F10 v M14 F01
M11 F04 v M13 F16 M15 F06 v M16 F03
- R12 M02 F14 v M06 F12 M03 F09 v M12 F06 M04 F01 v M14 F08
M05 F03 v M10 F07 M11 F02 v M16 F13
- R13 M01 F08 v M12 F04 M05 F09 v M11 F01 M06 F03 v M09 F12
M07 F16 v M13 F02 M08 F06 v M10 F15
- R14 M01 F11 v M06 F07 M02 F02 v M03 F01 M08 F03 v M14 F04
M09 F05 v M10 F16 M13 F15 v M15 F14

R15	M01 F04 v M15 F12	M03 F08 v M16 F05	M08 F07 v M09 F09
	M11 F11 v M12 F10	M13 F14 v M14 F15	
R16	M01 F10 v M04 F09	M03 F12 v M09 F13	M05 F15 v M07 F11
	M10 F01 v M16 F07	M12 F08 v M13 F06	
R17	M01 F15 v M10 F08	M02 F06 v M14 F07	M05 F10 v M16 F02
	M06 F13 v M08 F16	M11 F09 v M15 F04	
R18	M01 F14 v M05 F16	M04 F10 v M13 F07	M07 F08 v M08 F09
	M09 F02 v M11 F15	M14 F05 v M16 F11	
R19	M01 F16 v M14 F10	M02 F15 v M11 F05	M03 F13 v M04 F11
	M05 F04 v M06 F06	M12 F03 v M16 F14	
R20	M01 F05 v M07 F14	M02 F13 v M05 F08	M04 F07 v M15 F16
	M06 F09 v M13 F03	M10 F12 v M12 F11	
R21	M03 F06 v M11 F16	M04 F12 v M16 F09	M07 F01 v M15 F11
	M09 F03 v M13 F10	M12 F07 v M14 F02	
R22	M01 F03 v M03 F02	M02 F16 v M08 F11	M04 F05 v M05 F06
	M07 F09 v M09 F08	M14 F13 v M15 F15	
R23	M01 F06 v M13 F11	M02 F07 v M16 F04	M03 F05 v M14 F09
	M06 F08 v M10 F02	M08 F12 v M15 F01	
R24	M01 F12 v M08 F05	M02 F01 v M03 F03	M04 F14 v M07 F02
	M05 F13 v M12 F09	M06 F11 v M16 F08	
R25	M02 F12 v M04 F16	M03 F10 v M06 F15	M05 F11 v M15 F03
	M08 F08 v M09 F07	M13 F04 v M16 F01	

4 Product Theorem

We next present a product construction for CMDRR. While this does not expand the spectrum given in Section 3, it does provide an alternative construction that does not rely on HSOLS.

Theorem 4.1 *If there exists a CMDRR(n, k), a SAMDRR(m), and two mutually orthogonal latin squares, MOLS, of order n , then there exists a CMDRR(mn, mk).*

Proof: Let $M(i)$ and $F(i)$, with $i = 1, \dots, n$, denote the players of the CMDRR(n, k), and let $M'(j)$ and $F'(j)$, with $j = 1, \dots, m$, denote the players of the SAMDRR(m). As usual assume, without loss of generality, that spouses have the same index. We will construct a CMDRR(mn, mk) on new players $M(i, j)$ and $F(i, j)$, with $i = 1, \dots, n$, and $j = 1, \dots, m$.

For each game $M(w)F(x) \vee M(y)F(z)$ of the CMDRR(n, k), add to the new CMDRR(mn, mk) the m games $M(w, j)F(x, j) \vee M(y, j)F(z, j)$, with $j = 1, \dots, m$. Call these type 1 games. There are $m(n^2 - k)/2$ of these games.

Let L_1 and L_2 be the two MOLS of order n . For each game $M'(w)F'(x) \vee M'(y)F'(z)$ of the SAMDRR(m), add to the new CMDRR(mn, mk) the n^2 games $M(i_1, w)F(i_2, x) \vee M(i_3, y)F(i_4, z)$, with $i_1, i_2 = 1, \dots, n$, and $i_3 = L_1(i_1, i_2)$, and $i_4 = L_2(i_1, i_2)$. Note that all of w, x, y , and z are distinct. Call these type 2 games. There are $n^2(m^2 - m)/2$ of these games. So the

total number of type 1 and type 2 games is $m(n^2 - k)/2 + n^2(m^2 - m)/2 = ((mn)^2 - mk)/2$, the number of games expected for a CMDRR(mn, mk).

We now check that the conditions for a CMDRR(mn, mk) are met for opposite sex players. If $M(i)$ and $F(i)$ are spouses in the CMDRR(n, k), then for each $j = 1, \dots, m$, the players $M(i, j)$ and $F(i, j)$ satisfy the condition for spouses in the CMDRR(mn, mk), because each pair never occurs in a type 1 or type 2 game as partners or opponents. Thus there are at least mk spouse pairs. Consider any other pair $M(i_1, w)F(i_2, x)$ that are not one of these spouse pairs. If $w = x$ then by construction the players partner once and oppose once in type 1 games. If $w \neq x$ then $M'(w)$ and $F'(x)$ partner and oppose exactly once in the SAMDRR(m) and by definition of MOLS, $M(i_1, w)$ and $F(i_2, x)$ partner and oppose exactly once in the CMDRR(mn, mk). We conclude that there are exactly mk spouse pairs and that every male and female who are not spouses are partners exactly once and opponents exactly once.

We now check that the conditions for a CMDRR(mn, mk) are met for same sex players. Consider players $M(i_1, w)$ and $M(i_3, y)$. If $w = y$ then by construction they oppose at least once in a type 1 game. If $w \neq y$ then again by construction they oppose exactly once in a type 2 game. The condition for female players is analogous. So same sex players oppose at least once. The total number of games is correct so we conclude that each player who does not have a spouse opposes some other same sex player who does not have a spouse exactly twice and opposes all other same sex players exactly once. ■

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