

## New quaternary codes obtained from a combinatorial optimization algorithm

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**ABSTRACT.** New codes over  $Z_4$  (the integers mod 4) found by use of a combinatorial optimization algorithm are tabulated. Also, from one of these codes, a new  $Z_4$ -linear code better than any previously known binary code in terms of number of codewords and minimum distance is presented.

**Key words:**  $Z_4$ -linear code, combinatorial optimization algorithm, Brazil.

**RESUMO.** Novos códigos quaternários obtidos de um algoritmo de otimização combinatorial. Novos códigos sobre  $Z_4$  (o anel dos inteiros módulo 4) encontrados através da utilização de um algoritmo de otimização combinatorial são tabulados. Também apresentamos, entre estes códigos, um novo código  $Z_4$ -linear melhor do que qualquer código binário previamente conhecido em termos do número de palavras-código e distância.

**Palavras-chave:** códigos  $Z_4$ -lineares, algoritmo de otimização combinatorial, códigos quaternários, Brasil.

In this paper we tabulate new codes over  $Z_4$  (the integers mod 4), which we call quaternary codes, by using a combinatorial optimization algorithm (Said and Palazzo, 1993). These new codes improve in terms of achieving larger minimum distances when compared with the minimum distances of previously known codes having the same code parameters (length and dimension) (Kschischang and Pasupathy, 1992). The main consequence of our results is the presentation of good  $Z_4$ -linear codes from these quaternary codes, via Gray map from  $Z_4$  to  $Z_2$  (Hammons Jr. et al., 1994; Gerônimo, 1997).

The results shown in Table 2 indicate that the corresponding binary codes (obtained from the quaternary codes through Gray map) achieve the upper bounds on several minimum distances, as shown in Brouwer and Verhoeff's table (Brouwer and Verhoeff, 1993). The only binary codes in which the minimum distances of the corresponding  $Z_4$ -linear codes improve the upper bound shown in (Brouwer and Verhoeff, 1993) are the Nordstrom-Robinson code (16,8,6), (Hammons et al., 1994; Forney et al., 1993), and the code

(7,3,6). In Calderbank (1995), a (7,3,6)-quaternary cyclic code is presented; however, the binary image of this code is one which has a better distance than the linear binary code with the same parameters.

In Table 3 we have included those codes which have not achieved the upper bound on the minimum distance as shown in Brouwer and Verhoeff's table. However, they considerably improve the lower bounds shown in Kschischang and Pasupathy's table (Kschischang and Pasupathy, 1992).

### Preliminaries

By a quaternary code of length  $n$ , we shall mean an additive subgroup of  $Z_4^n$ . A mapping is a function  $\phi: Z_4^n \rightarrow Z_2^{2n}$  defined by  
 $\phi(c) = (\beta(c), \gamma(c)) =$   
 $= (\beta(c_1), \beta(c_2), \dots, \beta(c_n), \gamma(c_1), \gamma(c_2), \dots, \gamma(c_n)),$   
 $c = (c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)$  em  $Z_4^n$   
where  $\beta: Z_4 \rightarrow Z_2$  and  $\gamma: Z_4 \rightarrow Z_2$  are defined as in Table 1.

**Table 1.** Gray mapping

c	$\beta(c)$	$\gamma(c)$
0	0	0
1	0	1
2	1	1
3	1	0

In the search for the best linear group codes we have used the following key properties of the mapping  $\phi$ , namely,

1. The mapping  $\phi$  is an isometry from  $(Z_4^n, d_L)$  to  $(Z_2^{2n}, d_H)$ ;
2. The mapping  $\phi$  is a matched labeling, i.e.,  $d_H(\phi(x), \phi(y)) = d_L(\phi(x-y), \phi(0)) = d_L(x-y, 0) = w_L(x-y)$ .

**Definition:** (Hammons Jr. et al., 1994) A binary code  $C$  in  $Z_2^{2n}$  of even length is  $Z_4$ -linear if its coordinates can be arranged in such a way that  $C$  is the image of a quaternary code under the mapping  $\phi$ .

The  $Z_4$ -linear codes are geometrically uniform, (Forney, 1991), for  $Z_4$  is a transitive subgroup of the symmetry group of  $Z_2^2$  (Forney Jr. et al., 1993), and  $\phi$  is a matched mapping from  $Z_4$  onto  $Z_2^2$ , in Loeliger's sense (Loeliger, 1991) (the only modification to be introduced in Loeliger's definition is that the Euclidean distance must be replaced by the Hamming distance).

### Quaternary Code Search via Combinatorial Optimization Algorithm

The algorithm employed in the search for new quaternary codes is based on the combinatorial optimization problem inherent in the design of good unit-memory convolutional codes (UMC). Fortunately, efficient methods to solve this problem were proposed in Said and Palazzo (1993), and in Palazzo (1995). These design methods are based on mathematical optimization models with the purpose of providing a systematic way of finding these codes. In order to use standard optimization techniques, desirable properties such as convexity and linearity, usually found in these models, are looked for. In particular, the UMC codes design problem is decomposed into two subproblems which are formulated as standard optimization problems with integer variables. The solution of each one of them comes from the use of the corresponding local search algorithms, which were shown to be quite efficient heuristic algorithms.

The decomposition of the UMC problem is carried out as follows:

1. Column Types Selection Problem}: Find the sets of generator matrix columns that form distinct  $(2n, k)$  block codes with minimum

distance greater than or equal to the maximal  $d_{\text{free}}$  possible;

2. Column Types Matching Problem: Use these sets of columns to find the pairwise combination of the columns in  $G'_0$  and  $G'_1$  that forms a UMC with  $d_{\text{free}}$  equal to the maximal  $d_{\text{free}}$  value.

However, in the search for the best quaternary linear codes shown in the tables we have made extensive use of the Column Types Selection Problem method of decomposition. This decomposition method is the one which has inherited the well-known knapsack problem.

### Table of Quaternary Codes

From the combinatorial optimization algorithm proposed by Said and Palazzo (1993), a great number of quaternary linear group codes have been obtained.

The algorithm uses the following facts:

- $d_L(x,y) = w_L(x-y)$ , i.e., it is sufficient to find the Lee weight of the codewords to obtain the minimum Lee distance;
- The length of the binary codes is twice the length of the corresponding quaternary codes;
- The number of codewords of the binary codes is  $2^k$ , when  $k$  is the number of generators.

**Example 1:** Our objective here is to find the best  $(14,6)$ -binary code which is  $Z_4$ -linear. From Brouwer and Verhoeff's table, (Brouwer and Verhoeff, 1993), the best known binary code with these parameters has an upperbound on the minimum Hamming distance equal to 5. The corresponding  $Z_4$ -linear code has parameter  $(7,3)$ . Therefore, if a better code is to be found its minimum Lee distance should be 6. Hence, a  $(7,3,6)$  code. With these parameters, the best quaternary code found by the combinatorial optimization algorithm has minimum Lee distance 6. The generator matrix and the weight enumerator function are respectively

$$\begin{vmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 3 & 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 3 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 & 2 & 0 & 3 & 1 & 1 \end{vmatrix}$$

And  $W_{\{\text{Lee}\}}(C) = 1 + 42x^6 + 7x^8 + 14x^{10}$ .

Taking this example into consideration, the Lee weight enumerator function is read as follows: there is one codeword of weight 0; there are 42 codewords of weight 6; 7 codewords of weight 8, and 14

codewords of weight 10. The notation used in the tables that follow is 0(1) 6(42) 8(7) 10(14).

**Example 2:** The (16,8,6) Nordström-Robinson code, (Hammons *et al.*, 1994; Forney *et al.*, 1993). The corresponding quaternary code has parameters (8,4), and minimum Lee distance equal to 6. This code was obtained by the combinatorial optimization algorithm. Its generator matrix is given by

$$\begin{vmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 3 & 0 & 1 & 2 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

The weight enumerator function is  $W_{\text{Lee}}(C)=1+112x^6+30x^8+112x^{10}+x^{16}$ .

This code can also be obtained from a cyclic code with generator polynomial given by

$g(x)=x^3+3x^2+2x+3$  and a parity-check digit. The corresponding quaternary code has parameters  $n=8$ ,  $k=4$ ,  $d_{\text{Hamming}}=6$ .

The next Tables are organized as follows:

- $n$  - length of the 4-ary group code;
- $k$  - number of generators of the 4-ary group code;
- $\text{LB-UB}_{\text{BV}}$  - lower and upper bounds on the minimum Hamming distance of the binary linear codes from Brouwer and Verhoeff's Table, (Brouwer and Verhoeff, 1993);
- $\text{LB}_{\text{KP}}$  - lower bound on the minimum distance of the quaternary linear codes from Kschischang and Pasupathy's Table, (Kschischang and Pasupathy, 1992);
- $d_{\text{Lee}}$  - minimum Lee distance corresponding to the Hamming distance associated with the binary code through the mapping  $\phi$ ;
- $G$  - generator matrix of the quaternary code;
- $w_{\text{Lee}}$  - spectrum of Lee weight of the quaternary code corresponding to the Hamming weight spectrum of the binary code.

**Table 2.** 4-ary linear group codes

N	K	LB-UB <sub>BV</sub>	D <sub>LEE</sub>	G	W <sub>LEE</sub>
5	2	4	4	21033 32313	0(1) 4(2) 5(8) 6(4) 8(1)
5	3	3	3	33013 11322 03323	0(1) 3(8) 4(18) 5(16) 6(8) 7(8) 8(5)
6	3	4	4	013120 223133 130123	0(1) 4(6) 5(24) 6(16) 8(9) 9(8)
6	4	3	3	220233 312220 120323 113320	0(1) 3(16) 4(39) 5(48) 6(48) 7(48) 8(39) 9(16) 12(1)
7	3	5	6	1303210 0231110 0320311	0(1) 6(42) 8(7) 10(14)
7	4	4	4	3233100 0113222 0301301 2302211	0(1) 4(14) 5(56) 6(49) 7(16) 8(49) 9(56) 10(14) 14(1)
8	2	8	8	10012132 32112203	0(1) 8(11) 10(4)
8	5	4	4	11311121 13103030 30022321 32133021 33122222	0(1) 4(47) 5(72) 6(98) 7(192) 8(207) 9(176) 10(124) 11(64) 12(33) 13(8) 14(2)
9	3	8	8	210010231 033212122 333013333	0(1) 8(46) 12(16) 16(1)
9	4	6	6	312313003 231011101 101002021 000212033	0(1) 6(23) 7(56) 8(45) 9(16) 10(34) 11(56) 12(18) 14(7)
9	5	4	4	310112323 132121310 312031231 121001323 333031300	0(1) 4(3) 5(40) 6(104) 7(128) 8(113) 9(176) 10(232) 11(128) 12(41) 13(40) 14(16) 16(2)
9	6	4	4	200111232 202332111 003311020 303112320 310323230	0(1) 4(78) 5(144) 6(228) 7(528) 8(708) 9(736) 10(696) 11(480) 12(298) 13(144) 14(36) 15(16) 16(3)

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9	7	2	2	130300331 033032211 210313020 033200323 013320022 122313300 323331322	0( 1) 2( 3) 3( 60) 4(210) 5( 504) 6(1134) 7(2052) 8(2748) 9(2960) 10(2748) 11(2052) 12(1134) 13( 504) 14(210) 15( 60) 16( 3) 18( 1)
10	2	10	10	2113113301 3003132233	0( 1) 10( 12) 12( 2) 16( 1)
10	3	8	8	2231210233 1201032110 3322323201	0( 1) 8( 7) 9( 24) 10( 16) 12( 6) 13( 8) 16( 2)
10	4	8	8	3031030202 1013333110 2011103020 0331022003	0( 1) 8( 130) 12( 120) 16( 5)
10	5	6	6	3021010203 2321022233 3233203033	0( 1) 6( 90) 8( 255) 10( 332) 12( 255) 14( 90) 20( 1)
10	6	4	4	1312030303 0310330031 0023301031 2130330023 1003312121 1023221033 1130123230 0120332332	0( 1) 4( 5) 5( 64) 6(240) 7( 320) 8( 250) 9( 640) 10(1056) 11( 640) 12( 250) 13( 320) 14( 240) 15( 64) 16( 5) 20( 1)
10	7	4	4	2023102010 0231021311 1303110333 3002301321 2222013202 3020032011 2132332200	0( 1) 4( 125) 5( 256) 6( 480) 7(1280) 8(2050) 9(2560) 10(2880) 11(2560) 12(2050) 13(1280) 14( 480) 15( 256) 16( 125) 20( 1)
10	8	2	2	1211211231 3110311220 1331230002 0012011023 0033021203 2023233133 2002002333 3003132223	0( 1) 2( 5) 3( 82) 4( 324) 5( 928) 6(2388) 7(4936) 8(7902) 9(10368) 10(11542) 11(10620) 12(7860) 13(4768) 14(2436) 15(1000) 16( 297) 17( 64) 18( 13) 19( 2)
11	3	9	9	22030013033 20302101123 11333033313	0(1) 9(10) 10(15) 11(16) 12(14) 13(2) 14(1) 15(4) 20(1)
11	4	8	8	23231030101 00112113103 00013233231 30023300203	0(1) 8(26) 9(68) 10(40) 12(32) 13(56) 14(24) 16(5) 17(4)
11	6	6	6	11332312000 01010120313 03322230210 32023102133 10033312120 12221023120	0( 1) 6( 184) 8( 594) 10( 1248) 12( 1304) 14( 600) 16( 149) 18( 16)
12	2	12	12	123213003232 210310123210	0( 1) 12( 9) 14( 6)
12	4	8	8	210331133232 122203302201 303002123130 313232320033	0( 1) 8( 1) 9( 32) 10( 52) 11( 40) 12( 34) 13( 24) 14( 20) 15( 24) 16( 20) 17( 8)
12	5	8	8	130222131233 030120030203 13202033320 001010313333 120333211222	0( 1) 8( 128) 10( 218) 12( 324) 14(244) 16( 91) 18( 18)
13	2	13	13	0130133022132 3132002101323	0( 1) 13( 8) 14( 4) 16( 3)
13	3	12	12	3023233230001 0020130312132 0121303321200	0( 1) 12( 46) 16( 15) 20( 2)
13	4	10	10	3322320031203 0131333110200 1303020322303	0( 1) 10( 56) 12( 87) 14( 52) 16( 45) 18( 12) 20( 3)

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13	5	8	8	3001212032231 3312121020012 3110310210101 2102333333231 0313303232222 3212331310120	0( 1) 8( 10) 9( 72) 10( 148) 11( 104) 12( 60) 13( 144) 14( 200) 15( 144) 16( 53) 17( 40) 18( 36) 19( 8) 20( 4)
14	6	8	8	20233323212003 3002331113103 32132133032202 00331221210232 2021233030330 31233200310321	0( 1) 8( 50) 9( 166) 10( 218) 11( 280) 12( 428) 13( 566) 14( 630) 15( 576) 16( 493) 17( 338) 18( 166) 19( 104) 20( 52) 21( 18) 22( 10)
15	2	16	16	21210103230132 100321102211211	0( 1) 16( 15)
15	3	14	14	22313002131023 131333133313331 303213323202330	0( 1) 14( 15) 15( 32) 16( 15) 30( 1)
15	4	12	12	333130123231001 2113201333131 103221313223032 012300113230303	0( 1) 12( 60) 14( 86) 16( 52) 18( 32) 20( 22) 22( 2) 24( 1)
15	6	9-10	9	223303300022103 231011232212031 012111301021212 312303323130323 021103210122230 203300332323102	0(1) 9(74) 10(171) 11(208) 12(302) 13(434) 14(521) 15(600) 16(593) 17(462) 18(333) 19(208) 20(94) 21(54) 22(31) 23(8) 24(2)
16	2	16	16	1032201131201321 1231113002211102	0( 1) 16(3) 17(8) 18(4)
16	6	10	10	0101023303131033 3133133122133320 1321230220321013 3023300300022011 0310212203102021 2101233013003030	0( 1) 10( 138) 12( 499) 14( 824) 16( 1114) 18( 950) 20( 445) 22( 100) 24( 21) 26( 4)
17	3	16	16	01021120123322110 33012102013223031 00123033102331322	0( 1) 16( 14) 17( 32) 18( 16) 32( 1)
17	4	14	14	22033332323011333 13220121020121320 0223303332212221 22332233333333001	0( 1) 14( 28) 15( 76) 16( 53) 18( 16) 19( 40) 20( 8) 22( 20) 23( 12) 24( 2)
17	5	12-13	12	03230123122131203 32132101213010302 02121302123302332 31321332212331102 3222231100213113	0( 1) 12( 40) 13( 96) 14( 100) 15( 96) 16( 117) 17( 144) 18( 120) 19( 80) 20( 88) 21( 80) 22( 36) 23( 16) 24( 10)
18	3	16	16	223130022310033312 131333132013331333 303213323102030233	0( 1) 16( 2) 17( 16) 18(24) 19(16) 20(4) 32(1)
18	5	13-14	13	03313330100200332 123233202011123120 201301231302311201 300113122130300301 23012223103323121	0(1) 13(40) 14(89) 15(118) 16(128) 17(108) 18(92) 19(100) 20( 110) 21(88) 22(73) 23(54) 24( 17) 25( 4) 26( 2)
18	6	12	12	21220200201302132 323331112112111211 003023302200101331 302231330023321310 33012103020330321 312021103202030202	0( 1) 12( 191) 14( 510) 16( 804) 18( 1008) 20( 967) 22( 454) 24( 115) 26( 44) 28( 2)
19	2	20	20	103132021110032122 1133032123211301302	0( 1) 20( 14) 24( 1)
19	3	18	18	1213221003330202113 0112330310320220333 1033213022011313202	0( 1) 18( 30) 20( 30) 22( 2) 32( 1)
19	4	16	16	0023101323201123002 3232223321321013212 0300302332222011303 2330313320330212003	0( 1) 16( 68) 18( 82) 20( 50) 22( 24) 24( 17) 26( 14)
19	5	14-15	14	3023112212013113103 2101211120001100002	0( 1) 14( 40) 15( 144) 16( 103) 18( 120) 19(232)

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19	6	12-14	12		3323020332330333110 333010332201032222 3320300033203100112 2312102023113200301 2122200223223103130 1010203230202303023 2121221213010011232 2310311112001003110 123303303213022230	20( 110) 22( 88) 23( 128) 24( 40) 26( 8) 27( 8) 28( 2) 0(1) 12(20) 13(128) 14(206) 15(234) 16(291) 17(372) 18(524) 19(546) 20(458) 21(428) 22(368) 23( 238) 24(124) 25( 92) 26( 52) 27( 6) 28( 2) 29( 4) 30( 2)	
20	4	16-17	16		11101333333030033322 21103310122331331212 2213333333303201003 21032330220122130330	0( 1) 16( 4) 17( 40) 18( 61) 19(36) 20( 18) 21( 20) 22( 26) 23( 20) 24(5) 25( 4) 26( 9) 27( 8) 28( 4)	
20	6	13-14	13		02220030101011110303 12323030121112102100 32100300033332103111 13321003320213330330 32012331221023011013 32303221021030033103	0( 1) 13(46) 14( 134) 15( 174) 16( 213) 17( 350) 18( 426) 19( 444) 20( 468) 21( 466) 22( 494) 23( 368) 24( 194) 25( 154) 26(94) 27(36) 28(20) 29( 8) 30(4) 31( 2)	
21	2	22	22		121020101121211333210 003131310221322031312	0( 1) 22(12) 24( 3)	
21	3	20	20		32113131313012310101 211300320323102231133 02212331030011221320	0( 1) 20(32) 22( 24) 24( 6) 32(1)	
21	5	16	16		313231102000302122020 223011003300101323113 113330200103522000031 112023332310323010330 310230322133330203002	0( 1) 16(101) 18( 218) 20( 208) 22(206) 24( 170) 26( 86) 28( 32) 30( 2)	
23	2	24	24		03211213233121003230203 11312112220023210012333	0( 1) 24( 11) 26( 4)	
23	3	22	22		0022302132330113232003 0303213001312311322331 12323303333013323213033	0( 1) 22( 14) 23( 32) 24( 14) 30( 2) 32( 1)	
23	4	20	20		10210021013323022303300 23100303021032333230323 0013122330213333112012 2033132232323222133302	0( 1) 20( 74) 22( 80) 24( 44) 26( 24) 28( 18) 30( 8) 32( 7)	
23	5	18-19	18		30232203130211321220201 3322200103013032033301 31030221001021011332211 11122330012033031333223	0( 1) 18( 124) 20( 195) 22(212) 24( 195) 26( 172) 28(81) 30( 36) 32( 8)	
23	6	16-18	16		200213213312033013023201 30011220211103032313333 30231211222302003023002 0013022303031232211133 13103021123301201011231 31132310102233003310123 30301133133132130210301	0( 1) 16( 125) 18( 412) 20(622) 22( 896) 24( 856) 26(692) 28( 362) 30( 104) 32(18) 34( 8)	
25	2	26	26		2332030203113020231133231 0122332331200331100333122	0(1) 26( 12) 28( 2) 32(1)	
25	3	24	24		2323310112310022300031121 301022002012112331333233 2132333121031013223300002	0(1) 24( 12) 25( 32) 26( 16) 32( 3)	
25	5	20-21	20		1000310120321301132100313 2111313133011320013202330 2301000310311123131330121 021322223210303200302033 131320133212330202223000	0(1) 20( 150) 22( 158) 24(239) 26( 166) 28( 179) 30(82) 32( 36) 34( 10) 36(3)	
26	4	24	24		3001110133323220331030323 21322130331230322301222311 01213023132303313323023211 32231300303203330303032202	0(1) 24(172) 28(32) 32(51)	
27	2	28	28		133303003221221130320102323 230031221103231101201321021	0( 1) 28( 9) 30( 6)	
27	3	26	26		301132211000311202123231110 330003123012011210232313123 00320101232131233132233303	0( 1) 26( 12) 27( 32) 28( 12) 30( 4) 32( 3)	
27	4	24	24		030120220323220011323213013 300133030110333331130222230 011203201020021312221211303 3001332021231302322001301022	0( 1) 24( 103) 26( 16) 28( 86) 30( 16) 32( 27) 36( 2) 40( 5)	
28	4	24-25	24		2132111003332003311033302131 1230301203133312300101102102 1020221123320213021231332103	0( 1) 24( 7) 25( 56) 26( 46) 27( 12) 28( 40) 29( 36) 30( 13) 31( 4) 32( 14) 33( 14) 36( 2)	

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29	3	28	28	1211303332200032023120003130 10123020133201013133233302332 11131330020030232100313131222 03322033121320331212033033303	37( 4) 38( 5) 41( 2) 0( 1) 28( 12) 29( 32) 30( 12) 32( 3) 34( 4)
30	2	32	32	132013303213203302021012132233 233303321201113010200133221212	0( 1) 32( 15)
30	4	26-28	26	131233320001103220201322103300 202203022031003020313110331021 00312313213120100131222010300 333133023330311312030201303332	0( 1) 26( 10) 27( 36) 28( 59) 29( 52) 30( 8) 31(16) 32( 26) 33( 8) 34( 12) 35( 8) 36( 9) 37( 4) 40( 1) 42( 2) 43( 4)
31	2	32	32	0032211110303312022333323102312 1102113301122012201032200233333	0(1) 32(3) 33(8) 34(4)
32	3	32	32	21300230212321333122003110012031 2102233210302232132323103322113 30203132132010220120123311030112	0(1) 32(59) 40(4)

**Table 3.** 4-ary linear group codes

N	K	LB <sub>KP</sub>	D <sub>LEE</sub>	G	W <sub>LEE</sub>
7	2	5	6	1322013 2011333	0(1) 6(2) 7(8) 8(3) 10(2)
11	2	8	10	33222313032 11330012332	0(1) 10(1) 11(8) 12(3) 14(3)
11	5	6	6	23010220312 10210222301 21100100230 33123112033 33013323023	0(1) 6(4) 7(56) 8(146) 9(104) 10(60) 11(176) 12(216) 13(144) 14(60) 15(24) 16(21) 17(8) 18(4)
14	5	8	9	31233030132300 01211323330233 10111002222013 30013203233300 12321202113330 12321202113330	0( 1) 9( 20) 10( 81) 11( 116) 12( 108) 13( 104) 14( 127) 15( 168) 16( 131) 17( 68) 18( 47) 19( 36) 20( 16) 22( 1)
15	5	8	10	130320021123202 020020111300323 111032333120230 032130131310311 120201130120312	0( 1) 10( 18) 11( 96) 12( 130) 13( 64) 14( 118) 15( 192) 16( 103) 17( 64) 18( 110) 19( 96) 20( 22) 22( 10)
16	4	11	12	0312332203110022 1203303013011121 3102023102013102 0010233333033131	0( 1) 12( 1) 13( 36) 14( 61) 15( 40) 16( 21) 17( 20) 18( 26) 19( 20) 20( 9) 21( 8) 22( 9) 23( 4)
16	5	8	11	1002032300211201 3231323213100200 0333203102300333 3331132310322033 2032120322232130	0( 1) 11(30) 12(89) 13(116) 14(112) 15(102) 16(114) 17(136) 18(120) 19(90) 20(51) 21(36) 22(24) 23(2) 24(1)
20	5	12	15	32121102030031300130 30100211213311313302 12001333001013302023 30003212310032323123 33332133202000032003	0( 1) 15( 52) 16( 118) 17(100) 18(76) 19( 112) 20(141) 21(104) 22( 64) 23(84) 24(85) 25( 52) 26(20) 27(8) 28( 7)
22	3	16	20	0113313333233010101332 1010330013222210233211 331321202032033330311	0( 1) 20(2) 21( 16) 22( 24) 23( 16) 24( 2) 28( 2) 32(1)
22	5	13	16	3123022003122232221332 003233003230203121110 2201331312032203210110 1121301010232310120301 1003302330311031103231	0( 1) 16(7) 17( 68) 18( 102) 19(94) 20(92) 21( 98) 22(122) 23(108) 24(94) 25(72) 26(58) 27(54) 28(28) 29(18) 30( 6) 32( 2)
22	6	12	15	3213221320031330112202 3111002033323310222022 0133010333010021313230 1132103130220231323001 0203200233300313133001 112211331030303220321	0( 1) 15( 56) 16( 154) 17( 180) 18(262) 19( 344) 20( 373) 21(440) 22( 457) 23( 444) 24(401) 25( 356) 26( 273) 27(176) 28( 95) 29( 48) 30(27) 31( 4) 34( 5)
24	5	15	18	110123101303311300123221 103001113322213200012011 00033001111321323201331 030213332121021002332200 101200210012201313233201	0( 1) 18( 8) 19( 54) 20( 136) 21(114) 22( 56) 23( 106) 24( 132) 25(94) 26( 40) 27( 74) 28( 104) 29(46) 30( 24) 31( 22) 32(11) 33( 2)
24	6	14	16	221310130123131323320321 223013331330333202221012 03211213202230022230330	0(1) 16( 3) 17( 72) 18( 168) 19(232) 20( 239) 21( 286) 22( 384) 23(424) 24( 474) 25( 410) 26( 360)

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25	4	16	22		303303102131032203331010 210233333333123223032113 122233300020302213032223 1312310120203201103312002 0201013221031002211302133 0031202321102331130003322 2203123110333000320331302		27(380) 28( 270) 29( 178) 30(112) 31( 48) 32( 34) 33(14) 35( 4) 36( 3) 0(1) 22( 24) 23( 96) 24( 52) 26( 32) 30( 8) 31( 32) 32( 11)
25	6	14	17		222121102110212303121311 230311200102023110331001 0102211103101222330202313 110210010133022023322212 300121121323200211312122 1333200332122231012231133 222121102110212303121311		0( 1) 17( 8) 18( 82) 19( 182) 20(213) 21( 210) 22( 324) 23( 418) 24( 409) 25( 426) 26( 399) 27( 382) 28( 331) 29( 278) 30( 207) 31( 102) 32( 66) 33( 38) 34( 11) 35( 4) 36( 4) 38( 1) \end{tabular} 0( 1) 18( 16) 19( 82) 20( 200) 21( 216) 22( 237) 23( 306) 24( 329) 25( 406) 26( 443) 27( 446) 28( 389) 29( 334) 30( 277) 31( 166) 32( 98) 33( 66) 34( 49) 35( 24) 36( 7) 37( 2) 38( 2)
26	6	14	18		10213011122003133032022200 32120232121133233220120122 33311121201021113320011020 02002221032123300310003101 01223013122330013222103211 03333032020023322323231101		0( 1) 18( 16) 19( 82) 20( 200) 21( 216) 22( 237) 23( 306) 24( 329) 25( 406) 26( 443) 27( 446) 28( 389) 29( 334) 30( 277) 31( 166) 32( 98) 33( 66) 34( 49) 35( 24) 36( 7) 37( 2) 38( 2)
27	5	17	21		012230210000312130020233311 203203200201310021130331301 132112002111132011213211323 022311132310210012020030030 3333331213210332122202323023		0( 1) 21( 18) 22( 67) 23( 118) 24( 105) 25( 98) 26( 96) 27( 84) 28( 86) 29( 82) 30( 75) 31( 54) 32( 60) 33( 38) 34( 18) 35( 16) 36( 4) 37( 4)
27	6	15	19		111002032030120130132010210 222030213002030332033001313 120202121330101323021032121 30331321030003211301320200 021011001123321200012302131 332203031322310221300022222		0( 1) 19( 16) 20( 92) 21( 208) 22( 203) 23( 242) 24( 335) 25( 336) 26( 403) 27( 418) 28( 388) 29( 392) 30( 333) 31( 246) 32( 196) 33( 144) 34( 81) 35( 38) 36( 11) 37( 8) 38( 4) 44( 1)
28	5	18	22		2021023331313203113300233123 020331220323000302303212121 321002001012131320203132030 0133300312003330220131312103 1212312333020002001301011313 332203031322310221300022222		0( 1) 22(18) 23(86) 24(99) 25(102) 26(110) 27(80) 28(89) 29(88) 30(85) 31( 72) 32( 57) 33( 46) 34( 40) 35( 32) 36( 9) 37( 4) 38( 3) 39( 2) 40( 1)
28	6	16	20		210321303123223102302303133 3232113231011203002032031023 30300322111100313000103211 321232021302211033021311200 2031232321121233231221202200 1103300200321332333320021111		0( 1) 20( 48) 22( 368) 24( 545) 26( 664) 28( 821) 30( 722) 32( 576) 34( 244) 36( 83) 38( 18) 40( 6)
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30	6	18	22		3121100203123010323302221311 3323303131211331213330322211 2221020131211020322330303120 03022200301023232131303030200 22301032122230102023222130112 22233100323302302000332203123		0(1) 22(33) 23(122) 24(190) 25(218) 26(282) 27(332) 28(318) 29(374) 30(358) 31(328) 32(398) 33(354) 34(274) 35(212) 36(137) 37(66) 38(45) 39(30) 40(11) 41(12) 44(1)
31	3	23	30		113320033022110220230120011132 1103223221322300321131222110323 3230322021202113102100323313330		0(1) 30(12) 31(32) 32(15) 38(4)
31	5	20	25		2231122030131110300111213003313 12330120210023301213001221231 3021113310323321310232100022031 3000022130002213011110302131133 230300003221213311100113320122		0(1) 25(48) 26(90) 27(78) 28(91) 29(88) 30(89) 31(102) 32(89) 33(90) 34(52) 35(50) 36(63) 37(36) 38(25) 39(10) 40(12) 41(10)
31	6	18	21		002333222130223200130300100031 1313201302330110102121222210 03031230330332130103232221231 020012322201113212112032332230 2203303020222031131313223221302 3020322032103301122202332030332		0(1) 21(4) 22(13) 23(36) 24(73) 25(176) 26(296) 27(320) 28(283) 29(314) 30(346) 31(348) 32(390) 33(364) 34(298) 35(264) 36(229) 37(152) 38(93) 39(56) 40(16) 41(12) 42(10) 45(2)
32	4	22	28		111010213013333321130031321333 0132203223132030302301011001232 2331022332131233222323221231220 1223212332301021120303223223200		0(1) 28(4) 29(30) 30(69) 31(60) 32(22) 33(16) 34(8) 36(2) 37(16) 38(18) 39(4) 44(2) 45(2) 46(1) 48(1)
32	5	20	25		0210203332101312212122220032113 0110032311003220213023312330123 0211010030231230030201132101133 32300022333221013011002221001033		0(1) 25(4) 26(20) 27(78) 28(126) 29(116) 30(96) 31(74) 32(81) 33(72) 34(60) 35(82) 36(58) 37(52) 38(40) 39(22)

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32	6	18	22	2303320221330112330333033332302 0001330130003123320120210301220 21323030021023330123223002222222 1010210300112322220312312301332 20211010100113300102020010013032 31100130133101123321032232120212 03302330330322002313310001032221	40(22) 41(12) 42(8) 0(1) 22(2) 23(34) 24(55) 25(28) 26(146) 27(430) 28(271) 29(76) 30(388) 31(572) 32(381) 33(92) 34(332) 35(572) 36(250) 37(52) 38(138) 39(178) 40(59) 41(8) 42(18) 43(6) 44(7)
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