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*The directed case of decompositions of edge-colored complete digraphs.*

This paper completes the most general setting of an asymptotic existence question of decompositions of complete graphs, the study of which has been a subject of series of papers since the 1970s. Denote by  $K_n^{(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r)}$  the complete directed graph on  $r$  colors and  $n$  vertices with  $\lambda_i$  directed edges of color  $i$  between any ordered pair of vertices. For any given family of digraphs  $\mathcal{G}$ , we find necessary and asymptotically sufficient conditions on  $n$  for the existence of decompositions of  $K_n^{(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_r)}$  into subgraphs isomorphic to digraphs in  $\mathcal{G}$ . Our main result provides a convenient set-up for numerous problems in combinatorial design theory; we use it to give a short proof for the asymptotic existence of resolvable  $(v, k, \lambda)$ -BIBDs for any value of  $\lambda$ . This is joint work with Y. Mutoh and R. M. Wilson. (Received September 23, 2006)