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On the Asymptotic Existence of Complex Orthogonal Designs

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For every odd integer p, we show that there are two integers $\alpha(p)$ and $\beta(p)$ such that there is a complex Goethals-Seidel type array of order $p(2^{\alpha(p)})$ in $\beta(p)$ free variables. The arrays found have block circulant structure and most have the maximum number of possible free variables. As a corollary this presents a new approach to the asymptotic existence of complex and thus real Hadamard matrices. We will compare $\alpha(p)$ with other known functions.