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# Legendre $G$ -array pairs and the theoretical unification of several $G$ -array families

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## Abstract

We investigate how Legendre  $G$ -array pairs are related to several different perfect binary  $G$ -array families. In particular we study the relations between Legendre  $G$ -array pairs, Sidelnikov-Lempel-Cohn-Eastman  $\mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ -arrays, Yamada-Pott  $G$ -array pairs, Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -arrays, Yamada  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -arrays, Szekeres  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pairs, Paley  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pairs, and Baumert  $\mathbb{Z}_{p_1}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2}^{m_2}$ -array pairs. Our work also solves one of the two open problems posed in Ding [J. Combin. Des. 16 (2008), 164-171]. Moreover, we provide several computer search based existence and non-existence results regarding Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pairs. Finally, by using cyclotomic cosets, we provide a previously unknown Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_{57}$ -array pair.

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## 1 Introduction

In this section, we first survey several known infinite binary  $G$ -array families and  $G$ -array pairs for a finite abelian group  $G$ . In Section 2, we show how these  $G$ -array families and  $G$ -array pairs are related to each other.

## 1.1 $G$ -arrays and their correlations

Let  $n$  be a positive integer and  $G$  be an abelian group of order  $n$ . Then  $\mathbf{a} = (a_g)$  with  $g \in G$  and  $a_g \in \mathbb{C}$  is called a  $G$ -array. The *cross-correlation function* of the two  $G$ -arrays  $(a_g)$  and  $(b_g)$  is defined by:

$$C_{\mathbf{a},\mathbf{b}}(t) = \sum_{g \in G} a_{gt} \bar{b}_g,$$

where  $t \in G$  and  $\bar{b}_g$  is the complex conjugate of  $b_g$ . If  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}$ , then  $C_{\mathbf{a},\mathbf{a}}(t) := C_{\mathbf{a}}(t)$  is called the *autocorrelation function* of  $\mathbf{a}$ .

We call a  $G$ -array  $\mathbf{a}$  a  $\{0, 1\}$  ( $\{-1, 1\}$ )  $G$ -array if  $a_g \in \{0, 1\}$  ( $\{-1, 1\}$ )  $\forall g \in G$ . In this paper, we consider only  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -arrays. The linear transformation  $a_g \rightarrow 2a_g - 1$  is a bijection that maps a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array to a  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array. Throughout, we switch repeatedly between a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array and its corresponding  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array. The choice between  $\{0, 1\}$  and  $\{-1, 1\}$  coefficients in any particular context is dictated by applications or ease of computation. If we refer to a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array as a  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array we mean the  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array obtained from the  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array by applying the bijection  $a_g \rightarrow 2a_g - 1$ .

By the structure theorem, every finite abelian group  $G$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  for some  $r \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 1}$ . Let  $H_i = \langle \omega_i \rangle$  and  $|H_i| = s_i$  for  $s_i \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 2}$ . Then, the map  $\Theta : \mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r} \rightarrow H_1 \times \cdots \times H_r$  such that  $\Theta(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r) = \omega_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots \omega_r^{\alpha_r}$  is an isomorphism between  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  and  $H_1 \times \cdots \times H_r$  for each set of fixed  $\{\omega_i\}_{i=1}^r$ . Throughout the paper we fix the notation  $\Theta$  for this isomorphism.

For a  $G$ -array  $(a_g)$  and an isomorphism  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$ , define the  $\Phi(G)$ -array  $\Phi(a_g)$  via

$$\Phi((a_g)) = (a'_{\Phi(g)}), \text{ where } a'_{\Phi(g)} = a_g.$$

Clearly, both the autocorrelation and the cross-correlation functions are preserved under the map  $g \rightarrow \Phi(g)$  for any isomorphism  $\Phi$ , i.e.  $C_{\mathbf{a},\mathbf{b}}(t) = C_{\Phi(\mathbf{a}),\Phi(\mathbf{b})}(\Phi(t))$  for any two  $G$ -arrays  $(a_g)$  and  $(b_g)$  where  $g, t \in G$ . Also, whenever we are using an isomorphic copy of  $G$  that has the form  $H_1 \times \cdots \times H_r$ , we say that  $G$  is *written multiplicatively*, and if  $G$  has the form  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  we say that  $G$  is *written additively*. Unless otherwise specified, for a multiplicatively (additively) written group we use 1 (0) as the identity element. We also use  $e$  as the identity element of a group  $G$ .

Let  $n = |G|$ . Let  $\mathbf{a} = (a_g)$  be a  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array. Then the set  $D = \{g \mid g \in G \text{ and } a_g = 1\}$  is called the *set of 1 indices* of  $\mathbf{a}$ . Let  $d_D(t) = |(Dt) \cap D|$ , where  $Dt$  is the set of elements of  $D$  multiplied by  $t$ . Then  $d_D(t)$  is called the *difference function* of  $D \subseteq G$ , and for a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array  $\mathbf{a}$  we have

$$C_{\mathbf{a}}(t) = d_D(t).$$

Hence, the autocorrelation function measures how much a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array differs from its translates. When  $\mathbf{a} = (a_g)$  is a  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array we get

$$C_{\mathbf{a}}(t) = n - 4(k - d_D(t)), \quad (1)$$

where  $k = |D|$ , see [13]. By equation (1) if  $\mathbf{a} = (a_g)$  is a  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array, then

$$C_{\mathbf{a}}(t) \equiv n \pmod{4}.$$

A  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array  $\mathbf{a}$  is called *perfect* if for  $t \neq e$

$$C_{\mathbf{a}}(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ \pm 2 & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

A  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array  $\mathbf{a} = (a_g)$  is called *balanced* if

$$\sum_{g \in G} a_g = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ \pm 1 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and *almost balanced* if

$$\sum_{g \in G} a_g = \begin{cases} \pm 2 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ \pm 3 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then, based on equation (1), a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array  $\mathbf{a}$  with  $\sum_{g \in G} a_g = k$  is defined to be *perfect* if for  $t \neq e$

$$C_{\mathbf{a}}(t) = d_D(t) = \begin{cases} k - \frac{n}{4} & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ k - \frac{n-1}{4} & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, \\ k - \frac{n \pm 2}{4} & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, \\ k - \frac{n+1}{4} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

and a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array  $\mathbf{a} = (a_g)$  is defined to be *balanced* if

$$\sum_{g \in G} a_g = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ \frac{n \pm 1}{2} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

and *almost balanced* if

$$\sum_{g \in G} a_g = \begin{cases} \frac{n \pm 2}{2} & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ \frac{n \pm 3}{2} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

A  $G$ -array  $\mathbf{a}$  is said to have *good matched autocorrelation properties* if

$$\max_{t \in G \setminus \{e\}} |C_{\mathbf{a}}(t)|,$$

and

$$\sum_{t \in G} |C_{\mathbf{a}}(t)|^2$$

are both small, where  $\max_{t \in G \setminus \{e\}} |C_{\mathbf{a}}(t)|$  is called the *peak correlation* and  $\sum_{t \in G} |C_{\mathbf{a}}(t)|^2$  is called the *correlation energy*.

Let  $G$  be a group of order  $v$  and  $D$  be a subset of  $G$  with  $k$  elements. For any  $\alpha \neq e$  and  $\alpha \in G$  if the equation

$$d(d')^{-1} = \alpha \tag{5}$$

has exactly  $\lambda$  solution pairs  $(d, d')$  with both  $d$  and  $d'$  in  $D$ , then the set  $D$  is called a *difference set* in  $G$  with parameters  $(v, k, \lambda)$  denoted by  $\text{DS}(v, k, \lambda)$ . If equation (5) has  $\lambda$  solutions for  $t$  of the non-identity elements of  $G$  and  $\lambda + 1$  solutions for every other non-identity element, then  $D$  is called an *almost difference set* in  $G$  with parameters  $(v, k, \lambda, t)$  denoted by  $\text{ADS}(v, k, \lambda, t)$ . If  $G$  is an abelian (cyclic) group and  $D$  is a difference set, then  $D$  is called an *abelian (cyclic) difference set* in  $G$ . If  $G$  is an abelian (cyclic) group and  $D$  is an almost difference set, then  $D$  is called an *abelian (cyclic) almost difference set*.

Clearly,  $D$  is a(n) (almost) difference set in  $G$  if and only if  $\Phi(D)$  is a(n) (almost) difference set in  $\Phi(G)$  for any isomorphism  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$ . For a survey of almost difference sets, see [2].

A  $\{-1, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -array with  $k$  entries equal to 1 and all nontrivial autocorrelation coefficients equal to  $\theta = n - 4(k - \lambda)$  is equivalent to an abelian  $\text{DS}(n, k, \lambda)$ , see Lemma 1.3 in [10].

Supplementary difference sets generalize the concept of difference sets [19].

**Definition 1.** Let  $G$  be a group of order  $v$ . A collection  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_f$  of  $f$  subsets of  $G$  with  $|D_i| = k_i$  is called a *supplementary difference set* in  $G$  denoted by  $f\text{-SDS}(v; k_1, \dots, k_f; \lambda)$  if for each  $\alpha \in G \setminus \{e\}$ , the constraint

$$\alpha = xy^{-1},$$

where  $x, y \in D_i$  for some  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, f\}$ , has exactly  $\lambda$  solutions.

Clearly,  $D_1, \dots, D_f$  is a  $f\text{-SDS}(v; k_1, \dots, k_f; \lambda)$  in  $G$  if and only if  $\Phi(D_1), \dots, \Phi(D_f)$  is an  $f\text{-SDS}(v; k_1, \dots, k_f; \lambda)$  in  $\Phi(G)$  for any isomorphism  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$ .

## 1.2 The group ring notation

First, we introduce the group ring notation that will be used in the proofs.

**Definition 2.** Let  $G$  be a multiplicatively written finite abelian group and  $R$  be a ring. Then, the *group ring* of  $G$  over  $R$  is the set denoted by  $R[G]$  defined as:

$$R[G] = \left\{ \sum_{g \in G} a_g g \mid a_g \in R \right\}.$$

$R[G]$  is a free  $R$ -module of rank  $|G|$ . Any group isomorphism  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$  extends linearly to a module and group ring isomorphism between  $R[G]$  and  $R[\Phi(G)]$ , where

$$\Phi\left(\sum_{g \in G} a_g g\right) = \sum_{g \in G} a_g \Phi(g) = \sum_{\Phi(g) \in \Phi(G)} a_{\Phi(g)} \Phi(g).$$

If  $G$  is a multiplicatively written group, then multiplication and addition in  $R[G]$  are defined in the same way as in the ring of formal Laurent series  $R[[x_1, \dots, x_n]]$ . If  $G$  is additively written, then there exists an isomorphism  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \dots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  for some  $s_1, \dots, s_r$ . In this case, addition in  $R[G]$  is defined the same way as in the case when  $G$  is multiplicatively written. The multiplication of two elements  $u, v \in R[G]$  is defined as

$$u * v = (\Theta\Phi)^{-1}(\Theta\Phi(u)\Theta\Phi(v)).$$

For short hand notation, we define the *power* of a group ring element in the following way.

**Definition 3.** If  $W = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g$  is an element of  $R[G]$  and  $t$  some integer, then

$$W^{(t)} = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g^t, \quad \bar{W} = \sum_{g \in G} \bar{a}_g g, \quad \text{and} \quad |W| = \sum_{g \in G} |a_g|.$$

The following are two remarks concerning Definition 3.

1. For a group ring element  $A$  in this paper we always have  $\bar{A} = A$ .
2. The element  $\left(\sum_{g \in G} a_g g\right)^{(t)}$  is not the same as the element  $\left(\sum_{g \in G} a_g g\right)^t$ .

Let  $D \subseteq G$  with  $|D| = k$  and  $A = \sum_{g \in D} g$ . Then,  $D$  is a  $\text{DS}(v, k, \lambda)$  if and only if

$$AA^{(-1)} = (k - \lambda)(1) + \lambda \left( \sum_{g \in G} g \right) \in \mathbb{Z}[G].$$

We can think of a  $G$ -array as a matrix. Let  $\mathbf{M}$  be a matrix whose rows and columns are indexed by the elements in  $G$ . Define

$$P = \{g \mid m_{1,g} = +1\},$$

and

$$N = \{g \mid m_{1,g} = -1\}.$$

Let the  $G$ -array  $m_{1,g}$  be the first row of  $\mathbf{M}$ . Then, the remaining rows of  $\mathbf{M}$  can be obtained by setting

$$m_{g,h} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } gh^{-1} \in P, \\ -1, & \text{if } gh^{-1} \in N. \end{cases}$$

A matrix developed this way is called  $G$ -developed or  $G$ -circulant.

For a cyclic group  $G$ , if the rows and columns of a matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  are indexed by successive powers of a generator of  $G$ , then the  $G$ -developed matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  is called *circulant*. Alternatively, a circulant matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \text{circ}(\mathbf{a})$  is determined by its first column, where each column (row) of  $\mathbf{A}$  is a cyclic down (right) shift of the vector  $\mathbf{a}$ . An  $m_1 m_2 \times m_1 m_2$  matrix  $\mathbf{C}$  is said to be *block-circulant* if it is of the form

$$\mathbf{C} = \text{circ}(\mathbf{C}_0, \mathbf{C}_1, \dots, \mathbf{C}_{m_2-1}) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}_0 & \mathbf{C}_{m_2-1} & \cdots & \mathbf{C}_1 \\ \mathbf{C}_1 & \mathbf{C}_0 & \cdots & \mathbf{C}_2 \\ \mathbf{C}_2 & \mathbf{C}_1 & \cdots & \mathbf{C}_3 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{C}_{m_2-1} & \mathbf{C}_{m_2-2} & \cdots & \mathbf{C}_0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (6)$$

where the  $\mathbf{C}_j$  are  $m_1 \times m_1$  matrices. If each  $\mathbf{C}_i$  in equation (6) is itself also circulant then  $\mathbf{C}$  is a block-circulant matrix of circulant matrices. More generally, if the group  $G$  is abelian but not cyclic then  $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  for some  $r \geq 2$  and the  $G$ -developed matrix is  $r$ -circulant that is obtained after applying the  $\text{circ}(\cdot)$  operator  $r$  times.

For a permutation  $\Pi$  of indices in  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ , let  $\mathbf{P}_\Pi$  be the corresponding  $n \times n$  permutation matrix. Then, the *automorphism group*  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{A})$  of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  is defined to be

$$\text{Aut}(\mathbf{A}) = \{\Pi \mid \mathbf{P}_\Pi \mathbf{A} \mathbf{P}_\Pi^\top = \mathbf{A}\}.$$

For a  $G$ -developed matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , if we permute the indices of  $\mathbf{A}$  by the action of multiplication by elements of  $G$ , then the elements of  $G$  can be thought of as a set of permutations matrices that form a subgroup of  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{A})$ . Hence,  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{A}) \geq G$  and it is easy to construct examples where  $\text{Aut}(\mathbf{A}) > G$ . The set of all matrices whose automorphism group contains  $G$  and entries are in  $R$  is isomorphic to  $R[G]$ . This follows by taking  $X = G$  on page 4 in [9]. In particular, the products and integer linear combinations of circulant ( $r$ -circulant) matrices is circulant ( $r$ -circulant).

There is an injection  $\Psi$  of  $\{0, 1\}$  or  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -arrays into  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$  given by

$$\Psi(\mathbf{a}) = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g.$$

We say that the  $G$ -array  $\mathbf{a}$  corresponds to  $A \in \mathbb{Z}[G]$  if  $A = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g$ . For a group ring element  $\sum_{g \in G} a_g g$  corresponding to a  $G$ -array  $(a_g)$  and an isomorphism  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$  we define  $\Phi(A)$  to be

$$\Phi(A) = \sum_{g \in G} a_g \Phi(g) = \sum_{\Phi(g) \in \Phi(G)} a_g \Phi(g).$$

Throughout the paper, by abuse of notation, if a set  $H \subseteq G$  appears in a group ring equation, it is understood that  $H = \sum_{h \in H} h$ . Moreover, for  $A = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g \in \mathbb{Z}[G]$ , we define

$$\{A\} := \{g \in G \mid a_g = 1\}.$$

The group ring elements that correspond to  $G$ -arrays are used to calculate the auto-correlation and cross-correlation functions of  $G$ -arrays, i.e., for a multiplicatively written group  $G$ , and  $G$ -arrays  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$

$$C_{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}}(t) = \text{coefficient of } t \text{ in } A\bar{B}^{(-1)}, \quad (7)$$

where  $A = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g$ ,  $B = \sum_{g \in G} b_g g$ .

A matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  with entries in  $\mathbb{R}$  is *symmetric* (*skew-symmetric*) if  $\mathbf{M} = \mathbf{M}^\top$  ( $\mathbf{M} = -\mathbf{M}^\top$ ). Next, we define symmetric, skew-symmetric  $G$ -arrays, and skew-type matrices.

**Definition 4.** Let  $G$  be a finite group with identity  $e$ . Let  $\mathbf{m} = (m_g)$  be a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array and  $M = \sum_{g \in G} m_g g$ . Then,  $\mathbf{m}$  or  $M$  is *symmetric* if  $M = M^{(-1)}$  and *skew-symmetric* if  $M + M^{(-1)} = G + e$  (implying  $e \in \{M\}$ ) or  $M + M^{(-1)} = G - e$  (implying  $e \notin \{M\}$ ).

The following lemma shows that an isomorphism  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$  maps a symmetric (skew-symmetric)  $G$ -array to a symmetric (skew-symmetric)  $\Phi(G)$ -array.

**Lemma 1.** Let  $(a_g)$  be a symmetric (skew-symmetric)  $G$ -array. Let  $\Phi$  be an isomorphism  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$ . Then  $\Phi((a_g))$  is a symmetric (skew-symmetric)  $G$ -array.

*Proof.* Let  $A = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g \in \mathbb{Z}[G]$  and  $\Phi$  be extended linearly to an isomorphism of  $R[G]$  and  $R[\Phi(G)]$ . Then,  $A = A^{(-1)}$  implies  $\Phi(A) = \Phi(A^{(-1)})$  ( $M + M^{(-1)} = G + e$  implies  $\Phi(M) + \Phi(M^{(-1)}) = \Phi(G) + \Phi(e)$  and  $M + M^{(-1)} = G - e$  implies  $\Phi(M) + \Phi(M^{(-1)}) = \Phi(G) - \Phi(e)$ ).  $\square$

The following lemma follows immediately from Definition 4.



**Lemma 2.** Let  $G$  be a finite group with identity  $e$  and  $M$  be the group ring element corresponding to  $\mathbf{m}$ . Then, a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array  $\mathbf{m}$  is symmetric (skew-symmetric) if and only if  $\{M\} = \{M^{(-1)}\}$  ( $\{M\} \cup \{M^{(-1)}\} = G \setminus e$ ,  $\{M\} \cap \{M^{(-1)}\} = \emptyset$  when  $e \notin \{M\}$  and  $\{M\} \cup \{M^{(-1)}\} = G$ ,  $\{M\} \cap \{M^{(-1)}\} = e$  when  $e \in \{M\}$ ).

A matrix  $\mathbf{M}$  is of *skew-type* if  $\text{Diag}(\mathbf{M}) = \mathbf{I}$  and  $(\mathbf{M} - \text{Diag}(\mathbf{M}))$  is skew-symmetric, where  $\text{Diag}(\mathbf{M})$  is the diagonal matrix obtained from  $\mathbf{M}$  by replacing each non-diagonal entry of  $\mathbf{M}$  with 0. Now, it is plain to see the following lemma.

**Lemma 3.** Let  $\mathbf{m} = (m_g)$  be a  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array with  $m_e = 1$ . Let  $\mathbf{M}$  be the group developed matrix obtained by using  $m_{e,g} = m_g$  as its first row and  $\mathbf{J}_{|G| \times |G|}$  be the  $|G| \times |G|$  matrix of all 1s. Then  $2\mathbf{M} - \mathbf{J}_{|G| \times |G|}$  is symmetric (skew-type) if and only if  $M = \sum_{g \in G} m_g g$  is symmetric (skew-symmetric).

### 1.3 Legendre $G$ -array pairs

First, we define Legendre  $G$ -array pairs.

**Definition 5.** Let  $G$  be a multiplicatively written finite abelian group with  $|G| = n$ . Then, a pair of  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -arrays  $(\mathbf{a} = (a_g), \mathbf{b} = (b_g))$  form a *Legendre  $G$ -array pair* if  $\sum_{g \in G} a_g = \sum_{g \in G} b_g$  and

$$AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} = (|A| + |B|)(1) - 2(G - 1), \quad (8)$$

where  $A$  and  $B$  are the group ring elements associated with  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$ .

By applying the principal character to the group ring equation (8) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_0(AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)}) &= \chi_0((|A| + |B|)(1) - 2(G - 1)) \\ \chi_0(A)^2 + \chi_0(B)^2 &= 2n - 2(n - 1) \\ a^2 + b^2 &= 2. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

This equation implies that  $a = b \in \{-1, 1\}$ , where  $a = \sum_{g \in G} a_g = b = \sum_{g \in G} b_g$ . Thus  $|G| = n$  must be odd for a Legendre  $G$ -array pair to exist. Hence, each  $G$ -array in a Legendre  $G$ -array pair must be balanced.

By equations (1), (8), and (9) we get the following definition of Legendre  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array pairs.

**Definition 6.** Let  $G$  be a multiplicatively written finite abelian group. A pair of  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -arrays  $(\mathbf{a} = (a_g), \mathbf{b} = (b_g))$  form a *Legendre  $G$ -array pair* if  $\sum_{g \in G} a_g = \sum_{g \in G} b_g$ , and

$$AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} = \begin{cases} 2 \binom{|G|+1}{2} (1) + \frac{|G|+1}{2}(G - 1) & \text{if } \sum_{g \in G} a_g = \sum_{g \in G} b_g = \frac{|G|+1}{2}, \\ 2 \binom{|G|-1}{2} (1) + \frac{|G|-3}{2}(G - 1) & \text{if } \sum_{g \in G} a_g = \sum_{g \in G} b_g = \frac{|G|-1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

The following lemma is plain to prove.

**Lemma 4.** Let  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$  be an isomorphism. Then,  $((a_g), (b_g))$  is a Legendre  $\{-1, 1\}$   $(\{0, 1\})$   $G$ -array pair if and only if  $(\Phi((a_g)), \Phi((b_g)))$  is a Legendre  $\{-1, 1\}$   $(\{0, 1\})$   $\Phi(G)$ -array pair. Hence, whenever we construct a Legendre  $\{-1, 1\}$   $(\{0, 1\})$   $G$ -array pair we have also constructed a Legendre  $\{-1, 1\}$   $(\{0, 1\})$   $\Phi(G)$ -array pair.

The following well-known theorem connects supplementary difference sets in finite abelian groups and Legendre  $G$ -array pairs.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $G$  be an abelian group of order  $n$ . Let  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  be a  $\{0, 1\}$  or  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array pair and  $(M, N)$  be the subsets of  $G$  such that  $M = \{g \in G \mid a_g = 1\}$  and  $N = \{g \in G \mid b_g = 1\}$ . Then,  $(M, N)$  is a 2-SDS( $n; (n+1)/2, (n+1)/2; (n+1)/2$ ) or a 2-SDS( $n; (n-1)/2, (n-1)/2; (n-3)/2$ ) if and only if  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is a Legendre  $G$ -array pair.

*Proof.* If  $G$  is written multiplicatively, then the result follows by comparing Definition 1 for  $f = 2$  to Definition 5 (Definition 6) for  $\{-1, 1\}$   $(\{0, 1\})$   $G$ -arrays.  $\square$

It is conjectured that a Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pair exists for all odd  $n$  [8]. A Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pair is known to exist when:

- $n$  is a prime, see [8];
- $2n + 1$  is a prime power (Szekeres, [20]);
- $n = 2^m - 1$  for  $m \geq 2$ , see [15];
- $n = p_1(p_1 + 2)$ , with  $p_2 = p_1 + 2$ , where  $p_1, p_2$  are odd primes [4].

Currently,  $n = 77$  is the smallest  $n$  for which no Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pair is known.

An  $N \times N$  *Hadamard matrix*,  $\mathbf{H}$ , is a  $\pm 1$  matrix such that  $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{H}^\top = N\mathbf{I}_N$  where  $\mathbf{I}_N$  is the identity matrix of order  $N$ . The following theorem showing that the existence of a Legendre  $G$ -array pair implies the existence of a  $(2|G| + 2) \times (2|G| + 2)$  Hadamard matrix is well-known.

**Theorem 2.** Let  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  be a Legendre  $\{-1, 1\}$   $G$ -array pair, with  $|G| = n$  such that  $\sum_{g \in G} a_g = \sum_{g \in G} b_g = 1$ . Let  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  be developed into  $G$  indexed  $n \times n$  matrices  $\mathbf{A}$  and

$\mathbf{B}$  by taking  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  as the first row of  $\mathbf{A}$  and  $\mathbf{B}$  respectively. Let

$$\mathbf{H}_{sym} = \begin{bmatrix} - & - & + & \cdots & + & + & \cdots & + \\ - & + & + & \cdots & + & - & \cdots & - \\ + & + & & & & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \mathbf{A} & & & & \mathbf{B} \\ + & + & & & & & & \\ + & - & & & & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \mathbf{B}^\top & & & & -\mathbf{A}^\top \\ + & - & & & & & & \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{H}_{skew} = \begin{bmatrix} + & + & + & \cdots & + & + & \cdots & + \\ - & + & + & \cdots & + & - & \cdots & - \\ - & - & & & & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \mathbf{A} & & & & \mathbf{B} \\ - & - & & & & & & \\ - & + & & & & & & \\ \vdots & \vdots & & -\mathbf{B}^\top & & & & \mathbf{A}^\top \\ - & + & & & & & & \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then, both  $\mathbf{H}_{sym}$  and  $\mathbf{H}_{skew}$  are Hadamard matrices. Moreover,  $\mathbf{H}_{sym}$  ( $\mathbf{H}_{skew}$ ) is symmetric (skew-type) Hadamard matrix if and only if  $\mathbf{a}$  is symmetric (skew-symmetric).

*Proof.* Let  $e$  be the identity element in  $G$ . The matrix  $\mathbf{H}_{sym}$  ( $\mathbf{H}_{skew}$ ) is a Hadamard matrix if and only if  $C_{\mathbf{a}}(t) + C_{\mathbf{b}}(t) = -2$  for all  $t \in G \setminus \{e\}$ . Then, by using equation (7) for  $C_{\mathbf{a},\mathbf{a}}$  and  $C_{\mathbf{b},\mathbf{b}}$ , we get  $C_{\mathbf{a}}(t) + C_{\mathbf{b}}(t) = -2$  for all  $t \in G \setminus \{e\}$  if and only if  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is a Legendre  $G$ -array pair. The matrix  $\mathbf{H}_{sym}$  ( $\mathbf{H}_{skew}$ ) is symmetric (skew-type) if and only if  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric (skew-type). The result now follows as  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric (skew-type) if and only if  $\mathbf{a}$  is symmetric (skew-symmetric).  $\square$

Consider the action of the group  $(\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_1}^*) \times \cdots \times (\mathbb{Z}_{s_r} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}^*)$  on the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  defined by

$$((a_1, b_1), \dots, (a_r, b_r))(g_1, \dots, g_r) = (b_1 g_1 + a_1, \dots, b_r g_r + a_r)$$

if the group  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  is written additively, and

$$((a_1, b_1), \dots, (a_r, b_r))(g_1, \dots, g_r) = (g_1^{b_1} a_1, \dots, g_r^{b_r} a_r)$$

if  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  is written multiplicatively, where  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_i}^*$  is the multiplicative group of the ring  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_i}$  and  $\rtimes$  is the *semidirect product* as defined in [14, p. 167]. This group

action can be extended linearly to  $\mathbb{Z}[G]$ . Then,  $(\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_1}^*) \times \cdots \times (\mathbb{Z}_{s_r} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}^*)$  acts on a  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -array, and two  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -arrays are called *equivalent* if one can be obtained from the other by applying the elements of the group

$$(\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_1}^*) \times \cdots \times (\mathbb{Z}_{s_r} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}^*).$$

It is well-known that if  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{a}'$  are equivalent  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -arrays then  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{a}'$  have the same peak correlation and the same correlation energy. We call two Legendre pairs  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  and  $(\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}')$  *equivalent* if  $\{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}\} = \{\tau \mathbf{a}', \beta \mathbf{b}'\}$ , where  $\tau = ((\tau_1, \tau_1^*), \dots, (\tau_r, \tau_r^*))$ ,  $\beta = ((\beta_1, \beta_1^*), \dots, (\beta_r, \beta_r^*))$  such that  $\beta_i, \tau_i \in \mathbb{Z}_{s_i}$ ,  $\beta_i^*, \tau_i^* \in \mathbb{Z}_{s_i}^*$  and  $\tau_i^* = \pm \beta_i^*$  for  $i = 1, \dots, r$  [8]. If  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is a Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -array pair, and  $(\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}')$  is equivalent to  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ , then  $(\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}')$  is also a Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -array pair.

The following lemma determines exactly which subgroup of  $(\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_1}^*) \times \cdots \times (\mathbb{Z}_{s_r} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}^*)$  preserves symmetry (skew-symmetry) of a symmetric (skew-symmetric)  $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -array.

**Lemma 5.** The group  $(\{0\} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_1}^*) \times \cdots \times (\{0\} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}^*)$  preserves the symmetry (skew-symmetry) of a symmetric (skew-symmetric)  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -array.

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbf{a}$  be a symmetric (skew-symmetric)  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$ -array, and  $A \subset \mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  be the set of 1 indices of  $\mathbf{a}$ . Then,  $A = -A$  ( $(A \cup -A = \mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $A \cap -A = \emptyset$ ) or  $(A \cup -A = \mathbb{Z}_{s_1} \times \cdots \times \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}$  and  $A \cap -A = 0)$ ) implies for any  $((0, \beta_1^*), \dots, (0, \beta_r^*)) \in (\{0\} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_1}^*) \times \cdots \times (\{0\} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_{s_r}^*)$

$$((0, \beta_1^*), \dots, (0, \beta_r^*))A = -((0, \beta_1^*), \dots, (0, \beta_r^*))A$$

$$\begin{aligned} (((0, \beta_1^*), \dots, (0, \beta_r^*))A \cap -((0, \beta_1^*), \dots, (0, \beta_r^*))A) &= \emptyset \quad \text{or} \\ ((0, \beta_1^*), \dots, (0, \beta_r^*))A \cap -((0, \beta_1^*), \dots, (0, \beta_r^*))A &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

□

In general, Lemma 5 can not be improved as it is easy to construct a symmetric (skew-symmetric)  $\mathbb{Z}_s$ -array whose symmetry (skew-symmetry) is not preserved by any circulant shifts other than the 0 shift.

We fix some notation that will be used in the rest of the paper. Let  $q = p^m$  for some prime  $p$  and positive integer  $m$ . Let  $\mathbb{F}_q$  be the finite field with  $q$  elements and  $\mathbb{F}_q^* = \langle \alpha \rangle$  be the multiplicative group of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , where  $\alpha$  is a generator for  $\mathbb{F}_q^*$ . Let  $C_0^{(d,q,\alpha)} = \langle \alpha^d \rangle$  be the multiplicative group generated by  $\alpha^d$  in the finite field  $\mathbb{F}_q$ , where  $d$  divides  $q-1$ . Observe that  $C_0^{(d,q,\alpha)}$  does not depend on  $\alpha$ . Let  $C_i^{(d,q,\alpha)} = \alpha^i C_0^{(d,q,\alpha)}$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, d-1$ , where  $C_i^{(d,q,\alpha)}$  are called *cyclotomic classes of order  $d$* , see [17]. We will denote  $C_i^{(d,q,\alpha)}$  with  $C_i^d$  when there is no need to specify  $q$  and  $\alpha$ . The labeling of  $C_1^{(d,q,\alpha)}, \dots, C_{d-1}^{(d,q,\alpha)}$  depends on  $\alpha$ , but taking a different choice of primitive root just permutes  $C_1^{(d,q,\alpha)}, \dots, C_{d-1}^{(d,q,\alpha)}$ .

## 1.4 Infinite families of perfect $G$ -arrays

First, we survey several known infinite families of perfect  $G$ -arrays.

**The Sidelnikov-Lempel-Cohn-Eastman  $\mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ -arrays:**

Let

$$S = \{\alpha^{2i+1} - 1\}_{i=0}^{\frac{q-1}{2}-1}.$$

Let  $\mathbf{a}$  be a  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $(q-1) \times 1$  vector such that

$$a_i = 1 \quad \text{if } \alpha^i \in S.$$

Then,  $\mathbf{a}$  is the Sidelnikov-Lempel-Cohn-Eastman  $\mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ -array. The Sidelnikov-Lempel-Cohn-Eastman  $\mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ -array is always balanced. However, it is perfect if and only if  $q = p^m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , see [12] and [16].

**The Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -arrays:**

Let  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $p^m = s^2 + 4t^2$ , where  $s^2 = 1$  or  $t^2 = 1$ . Let  $q = p^m \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , or equivalently, let  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $m$  be odd. Let  $C_{i,j,\ell} = (C_i^4 \cup C_j^4, C_j^4 \cup C_\ell^4)$  for  $\{i, j, \ell\} \subset \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ , where  $i, j, \ell$  are distinct integers. Let

$$\begin{aligned} (A_1, B_1) &= (C_0^4 \cup C_1^4, C_1^4 \cup C_3^4), & (A_2, B_2) &= (C_0^4 \cup C_2^4, C_2^4 \cup C_3^4) \quad \text{if } t^2 = 1, \\ (A_3, B_3) &= (C_0^4 \cup C_1^4, C_0^4 \cup C_3^4) \quad \text{if } s^2 = 1. \end{aligned}$$

Identify the elements of the finite field  $\mathbb{F}_{p^m}$  with its additive group  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ , and let  $\langle \omega \rangle = \Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2)$ , where  $\Theta$  be the isomorphism in Section 1.1. We now use the group  $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$  as an indexing set. For each  $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ , let the equivalence class  $i$  Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array be such that  $\Theta(A_i) \cup \Theta(B_i)\omega$  is the set of 1 indices of the array. Then, each equivalence class of Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array is almost balanced, and equivalence class 3 is always perfect, see Theorem 2 in [7]. In Section 2.2 we determine exactly when each of the equivalence class 1 and 2 Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array is perfect. This solves one of the two open problems posed in [6]. Finally, each equivalence class of  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$  Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array  $(a_g)$  is used to construct the corresponding  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$  Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array as  $\Theta^{-1}((a_g))$ .

## 1.5 Infinite families of Legendre $G$ -array pairs

Now, we survey several known infinite families of Legendre  $G$ -array pairs.

**The Yamada  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pairs:**

Let  $q = p^m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . Let

$$M = \{a : \alpha^{2a} + 1 \in C_0^2\},$$

and

$$N = \{a : \alpha^{2a} - 1 \in C_0^2\}.$$

Then the pair  $(M, N)$  is a 2-SDS $((q-1)/2; (q-3)/4, (q-3)/4; (q-7)/4)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ . Let  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$  index the arrays  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ , and  $(M, N)$  be the sets of 1 indices of  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ . Then the  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is called a *Yamada  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pair*, see [22]. The  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array  $\mathbf{a}$  is symmetric and  $\mathbf{b}$  is skew-symmetric.

**The Szekeres  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pairs:**

Let  $q = p^m \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , or equivalently, let  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $m$  be odd. Let

$$A = C_0^4 \cup C_1^4, \quad B = C_0^4 \cup C_3^4.$$

Then the pair  $(A, B)$  is a 2-SDS $(p^m; (q-1)/2, (q-1)/2; (q-3)/2)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ . Let  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$  index the arrays  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ , and  $(A, B)$  be the sets of 1 indices of  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ . Then the  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is called a *Szekeres  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair*, see [18]. Both  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are skew-symmetric.

**The Szekeres-Whiteman  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pairs:**

Let  $q = p^m$ ,  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $m$  be even with  $m \geq 2$ . Let

$$A = C_0^8 \cup C_1^8 \cup C_2^8 \cup C_3^8, \quad B = C_0^8 \cup C_1^8 \cup C_6^8 \cup C_7^8.$$

Then the pair  $(A, B)$  is a 2-SDS $(p^m; (q-1)/2, (q-1)/2; (q-3)/2)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ . Let  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$  index the arrays  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ , and  $(A, B)$  be the sets of 1 indices of  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ . Then the  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is called a *Szekeres-Whiteman  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair*. Szekeres [18] proved that a Szekeres-Whiteman  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair is a Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair, while Whiteman [21] independently showed this result however only for  $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ . It is easy to see that both  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are skew-symmetric.

**The Paley  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pairs:**

Let

$$\begin{aligned} A = C_0^2, \quad B = C_0^2 & \quad \text{if } p^m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, \\ A = C_1^2, \quad B = C_0^2 & \quad \text{if } p^m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}. \end{aligned}$$

Then the pair  $(A, B)$  is a 2-SDS $(p^m; (q-1)/2, (q-1)/2; (q-3)/2)$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ , see [8]. Let  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$  index the arrays  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ , and  $(A, B)$  be the sets of 1 indices of  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ . Then the  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is called a *Paley  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair*. Both  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are skew-symmetric if  $p^m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and symmetric otherwise.

**The Baumert  $\mathbb{Z}_{p_1}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2}^{m_2}$ -array pairs:**

Let  $p_1^{m_1} + 2 = p_2^{m_2}$ , where  $p_1, p_2$  are odd primes and  $m_1, m_2$  are positive integers. Let  $q_1 = p_1^{m_1}$ ,  $q_2 = p_2^{m_2}$ , and

$$A = \left( C_0^{(2, q_1)} \times C_0^{(2, q_2)} \right) \cup \left( C_1^{(2, q_1)} \times C_1^{(2, q_2)} \right) \cup (\mathbb{F}_{q_1} \times \{0\}), \quad B = A.$$

Since  $A$  is a DS( $q_1(q_1 + 2), (q_1^2 + 2q_1 - 1)/2, (q_1 - 1)(q_1 + 3)/4$ ) in  $\mathbb{Z}_{p_1}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2}^{m_2}$  [4], the pair  $(A, B)$  is a 2-SDS( $p_1^{m_1} p_2^{m_2}; (q_1^2 + 2q_1 - 1)/2, (q_1^2 + 2q_1 - 1)/2; (q_1 - 1)(q_1 + 3)/2$ ) in  $\mathbb{Z}_{p_1}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2}^{m_2}$ . Let  $\mathbb{Z}_{p_1}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2}^{m_2}$  index the arrays  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ , and  $(A, B)$  be the sets of 1 indices of  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ . Then the  $\{-1, 1\}$  or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{p_1}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2}^{m_2}$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is called a *Baumert  $\mathbb{Z}_{p_1}^{m_1} \times \mathbb{Z}_{p_2}^{m_2}$ -array pair*. Both  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are neither symmetric nor skew-symmetric.

## 2 Results

### 2.1 Yamada-Pott $G$ -array pairs

Yamada-Pott  $G$ -array pairs first appeared in [22] and later in [13]. A Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array pair is a Legendre  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array pair with the added properties that one  $G$ -array is symmetric and the other is skew-symmetric. In group ring notation we have the following definition.

**Definition 7.** Let  $G$  be a finite abelian group written multiplicatively. A Legendre  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  with  $A = \sum_{g \in G} a_g g$  and  $B = \sum_{g \in G} b_g g$  is a *Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array pair* if  $|A| = |B|$  and:

1.  $A = A^{(-1)}$ ;
2.  $B + B^{(-1)} = G + 1$  (implying  $1 \in \{B\}$ ) or  $B + B^{(-1)} = G - 1$  (implying  $1 \notin \{B\}$ )

are satisfied.

The following lemma is plain to prove.

**Lemma 6.** Let  $\Phi : G \rightarrow \Phi(G)$  be an isomorphism. Then,  $((a_g), (b_g))$  is a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array pair if and only if  $(\Phi((a_g)), \Phi((b_g)))$  is a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\Phi(G)$ -array pair.

By Lemma 6, whenever we construct a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array pair, we have also constructed a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\Phi(G)$ -array pair. The following theorem implies that the existence of a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_u$ -array pair implies the existence of a perfect  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{2u}$ -array.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $H$  be an abelian group with  $|H| = u$  written multiplicatively and  $(A, B)$  be a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $H$ -array pair. Let  $S = A + \omega B$  and  $G = \langle \omega \rangle H$ , where  $\omega^2 = 1, \omega \neq 1$ , and  $\omega h = h\omega$  for all  $h \in H$ . Then,  $1 \in \{B\}$  implies  $\{S\}$  is an ADS( $2u, u + 1, (u + 1)/2, (u + 3)/2$ ), and  $1 \notin \{B\}$  implies  $\{S\}$  is an ADS( $2u, u - 1, (u - 1)/2, (u - 3)/2$ ) in  $G$ . In either case,  $\mathbf{s}$  is an almost balanced perfect  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array with  $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \Theta(H) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times H$ , where  $\mathbf{s}$  is the  $G$ -array that corresponds to the group ring element  $S$ .

*Proof.* Since  $|S| = u \pm 1$  then  $\mathbf{s}$  is almost balanced, and by the definition of a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $H$ -array pair

$$\begin{aligned} AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} &= (u \pm 1)(1) + \lambda(H - 1) \\ A &= A^{(-1)} \\ B + B^{(-1)} &= H \pm 1, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{u+1}{2} & \text{if } |A| = |B| = \frac{u+1}{2}, \\ \frac{u-3}{2} & \text{if } |A| = |B| = \frac{u-1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t \in G} C_{\mathbf{s}}(t)t &= SS^{(-1)} = (A + \omega B)(A + \omega B)^{(-1)} \\ &= (A + \omega B)(A^{(-1)} + \omega B^{(-1)}) \\ &= AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} + \omega(AB^{(-1)} + BA^{(-1)}) \\ &= (u \pm 1)(1) + \lambda(H - 1) + \omega(AB^{(-1)} + BA^{(-1)}) \\ &= (u \pm 1)(1) + \lambda(H - 1) + \omega(AB^{(-1)} + BA) \\ &= (u \pm 1)(1) + \lambda(H - 1) + \omega A(B^{(-1)} + B) \\ &= (u \pm 1)(1) + \lambda(H - 1) + \omega A(H \pm 1) \\ &= (u \pm 1)(1) + \lambda(H - 1) + \omega(|A|H \pm A) \\ &= (u \pm 1)(1) + \lambda(H - 1) + \omega\left(\left(\frac{u \pm 1}{2}\right)H \pm A\right) \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{u+1}{2}(1) + \lambda G + A\omega & \text{if } |A| = |B| = \frac{u+1}{2}, \\ \frac{u+1}{2}(1) + \lambda G + (H - A)\omega & \text{if } |A| = |B| = \frac{u-1}{2}, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

where we used the group ring equation  $G = H + H\omega$ . This shows that for  $t \neq 1$  the autocorrelation function of  $\mathbf{s}$  has the following form

$$C_{\mathbf{s}}(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{u+1}{2} \text{ or } \frac{u+1}{2} + 1 & \text{if } |A| = |B| = \frac{u+1}{2}, \\ \frac{u-3}{2} \text{ or } \frac{u-3}{2} + 1 & \text{if } |A| = |B| = \frac{u-1}{2}. \end{cases} \quad (10)$$

Thus, by equations (2), (4), and (10),  $\mathbf{s}$  is an almost balanced and perfect  $\{0, 1\}$   $G$ -array.  $\square$

The following are a few remarks concerning Theorem 3.

1. The equation  $AB^{(-1)} + BA = A(B^{(-1)} + B)$  in the proof of Theorem 3 is allowed only when  $G$  is abelian. All other steps in the proof would hold for arbitrary finite groups.



2. The converse to Theorem 3 is not true. That is, having a balanced and perfect  $\{0, 1\} G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times H$ -array does not guarantee the existence of a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} H$ -array pair via reversing the construction in Theorem 3. For example,

$$\mathbf{s} = (1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0)^\top$$

is a balanced and perfect  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{38}$ -array obtained by applying the  $a_g \rightarrow \frac{a_g+1}{2}$  transformation to the  $\{-1, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{38}$ -array in [3]. Let  $S = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{38}} s_i i$ . Now,  $\mathbb{Z}_{38} \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}$  via the map  $\phi(i) = (i \pmod{2}, (i \pmod{19}))$ . Let  $\hat{S} = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}_{38}} s_{\phi(i)} \phi(i) = \sum_{i' \in \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}} s_{i'} i'$  be the group ring element corresponding to  $(\Phi(s_g))$  in  $\mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}]$ . Write  $\hat{S} = \hat{A} + \hat{B}$ , where  $\hat{A} = \sum_{i' \in \{0\} \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}} s_{i'} i'$  and  $\hat{B} = \sum_{i' \in \{1\} \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}} s_{i'} i'$ . Let  $\pi : \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{19} \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}_{19}$  be the projection map  $\pi((x, y)) = y$ . Let  $A = \sum_{i' \in \{0\} \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}} s_{\pi(i')} \pi(i')$  and  $B = \sum_{i' \in \{1\} \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}} s_{\pi(i')} \pi(i')$ . Let  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  be the  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{19}$ -arrays corresponding to  $A$  and  $B$ . Then,

$$\mathbf{a} = (1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0)^\top,$$

$$\mathbf{b} = (0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0)^\top,$$

and  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  fails all of the Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{19}$ -array pair conditions, i.e. none of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  is symmetric or skew-symmetric and  $|A| \neq |B|$ . Observe that the isomorphism  $\Theta : \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{19} \rightarrow \langle \omega \rangle H$  maps  $(\Phi(s_g))$  to the  $\langle \omega \rangle H$ -array in Theorem 3, where  $H$  is a cyclic group of order 19. Hence, by Lemma 6, reversing the construction in Theorem 3 in this case does not produce a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} H$ -array pair. In fact, by an exhaustive computer search, we showed that no Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{19}$ -pair exists. Similarly, an exhaustive computer search proved that no Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{17}$ -array pair exists. However, a balanced and perfect  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{34}$ -array exists as the Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen class 3  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{17}$ -array.

3. There are families of balanced,  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_{2u}$ -arrays with perfect autocorrelations that can be used to construct Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_u$ -array pairs or Szekeres  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_u$ -array pairs, see Theorems 5 and 6.
4. When  $|A| = |B| = (u+1)/2$ , the smaller (larger) correlation value appears at the elements of  $H \cup (H-A)\omega$  ( $A\omega$ ).
5. When  $|A| = |B| = (u-1)/2$ , the smaller (larger) correlation value appears at the elements of  $H \cup A\omega$  ( $(H-A)\omega$ ).

**Theorem 4.** Replacing  $A$  with  $H-A$  or  $B$  with  $H-B$  in Theorem 3 does not alter the Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} H$ -array pair properties 1 and 2, and yields a perfect and balanced  $\{0, 1\} \langle \omega \rangle H$ -array.

*Proof.* Let  $G = \langle \omega \rangle H$  and  $(A, B)$  be a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} H$ -array pair. Let  $S' = (H-A+\omega B)$ . Let  $\mathbf{s}'$  be the  $\{0, 1\} G$ -array that corresponds to  $S'$ . First,  $\mathbf{s}'$  is balanced

as

$$|S'| = |H - A| + |B| = u - \left(\frac{u \pm 1}{2}\right) + \frac{u \pm 1}{2} = u.$$

Secondly,  $H - A$  is symmetric as

$$(H - A)^{(-1)} = (H - A^{(-1)}) = H - A.$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} S'(S')^{(-1)} &= \\ &= (H - A + \omega B)(H - A + \omega B)^{(-1)} \\ &= (H - A)(H - A)^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} + \omega(B(H - A)^{(-1)} + (H - A)B^{(-1)}). \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned} (H - A)(H - A)^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} &= HH - HA^{(-1)} - AH + AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} \\ &= |H|H - HA - AH + AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} \\ &= uH - 2|A|H + AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} \\ &= (u - (u \pm 1))H + AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} \\ &= \mp H + AA^{(-1)} + BB^{(-1)} \\ &= \mp H + (u \pm 1)(1) + \lambda(H - 1) \\ &= \begin{cases} \left(\frac{u+1}{2} - 1\right)H + \left(u - \frac{u+1}{2} + 1\right)(1) & \text{if } |A| = |B| = \frac{u+1}{2}, \\ \left(\frac{u-3}{2} + 1\right)H + \left(u - \frac{u-3}{2} - 1\right)(1) & \text{if } |A| = |B| = \frac{u-1}{2} \end{cases} \\ &= \frac{u-1}{2}H + \frac{u+1}{2}(1), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(B(H - A)^{(-1)} + (H - A)B^{(-1)}) &= \omega(B + B^{-1})(H - A) = \omega(H \pm 1)(H - A) \\ &= \omega\left(\left(\frac{u \pm 1}{2}\right)H \mp A\right). \end{aligned}$$

By examining  $S'S'^{(-1)} = (H - A + \omega B)(H - A + \omega B)^{(-1)}$  we see that for  $t \neq 1$  the autocorrelation function of  $\mathbf{s}'$  has the following form

$$C_{\mathbf{s}'}(t) = \frac{u \pm 1}{2}. \quad (11)$$

Thus, by equations (2), (3), and (11) the  $G$ -array  $\mathbf{s}'$  is perfect. The case for

$$S' = A + (H - B)\omega$$

is proven similarly. In this case, the skew-symmetry of  $H - B$  follows from

$$\begin{aligned}
(H - B) + (H - B)^{(-1)} &= H - B + H - B^{(-1)} \\
&= 2H - (B + B^{(-1)}) \\
&= 2H - (H \pm 1) \\
&= H \mp 1.
\end{aligned}$$

□

## 2.2 The Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array based Yamada-Pott $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pairs

A Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair can be obtained from the array pair located by Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array in [7] for two cases, where  $p^m \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ ,  $p^m = s^2 + 4t^2$ ,  $s \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $p$  is a prime. The two cases are  $s = 1$  and  $t^2 = 1$ . When  $t^2 = 1$  we get a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair, while in the  $s = 1$  case or for any  $p^m \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ , we get a Szekeres  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair. First, we present the case of the Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen family of  $s = 1$  locating a Szekeres  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair for all  $p^m \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ .

**Theorem 5.** For each prime power  $q = p^m \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  such that  $q = s^2 + 4t^2 = 1 + 4t^2$ , the Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array locates the Szekeres  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ , where the sets of 1 indices of  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  are

$$(A, B) = (C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)}, C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)}).$$

*Proof.* The fact that the Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\{0, 1\} \Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array locates the Szekeres  $\{0, 1\} \Theta(\mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array pair  $(\Theta((a_g)), \Theta((b_g)))$ , whose sets of 1 indices are

$$(\Theta(C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)}), \Theta(C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)})),$$

follows from the definition of the Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen  $\{0, 1\} \Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array for  $s = 1$ . The result now follows from Lemma 4. □

Next, we show that exactly one of the equivalence classes 1 and 2 Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen family with  $t^2 = 1$  locates a  $\{0, 1\}$  Yamada-Pott  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair.

Let  $q = p^m$  for some prime  $p$  and  $n, D \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then a representation  $nq = x^2 + Dy^2$  for some  $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$  is called a *proper* if  $\gcd(q, x) = 1$  [17, p. 35]. When  $p \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  there are many representations of  $q$  in the form  $q = s^2 + 4t^2$  for some  $s, t \in \mathbb{Z}$ . However there is precisely one proper representation [17, p. 47].

Let  $q = p^m = 4\ell + 1$  for some prime  $p$  and odd positive integer  $\ell$ , or equivalently, let  $p$  be a prime with  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$  and  $m \in 2\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} + 1$ . Then the unique proper representation of  $q$  has the form  $q = s^2 + 4t^2$  with  $s \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $t \in \mathbb{Z}$ , where the sign of  $t$  is undetermined [17, p. 51]. Let  $\alpha$  be a generator of  $\mathbb{F}_q^*$ . Then, by Lemma 19 in [17, p. 48]

$$t(\alpha) = \frac{16 \times (0, 3)_{q,\alpha}^4 - q - 1 - 2s}{8}, \quad (12)$$

where  $t^2 = (t(\alpha))^2$ .

The integers  $(i, j)_{q,\alpha}^d = |(C_i^{(d,q,\alpha)} + 1) \cap C_j^{(d,q,\alpha)}|$  are called the *cyclotomic numbers of order  $d$*  with respect to  $\mathbb{F}_q$  and  $\alpha$  such that  $\mathbb{F}_q^* = \langle \alpha \rangle$ . The following lemma is needed to establish our results.

**Lemma 7.** Let  $p$  be a prime,  $p \equiv 5 \pmod{8}$ ,  $q = p^m$ , and  $m \in 2\mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0} + 1$ . Let  $q = s^2 + 4t^2$  be the unique proper representation of  $q$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} (A_1, B_1) &= (C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)}, C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)}), \\ (A_2, B_2) &= (C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_2^{(4,q,\alpha)}, C_2^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)}), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\mathbb{F}_q^* = \langle \alpha \rangle$  and  $t(\alpha)$  is as in equation (12). Then

$$|A_1 \cap (A_1 + x)| + |B_1 \cap (B_1 + x)| = \begin{cases} A + 4E + 2B + D = \frac{q-t(\alpha)-2}{2} & \text{if } x^{-1} \in C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_2^{(4,q,\alpha)}, \\ 4A + 2E + C + D = \frac{q+t(\alpha)-4}{2} & \text{if } x^{-1} \in C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)}, \end{cases} \quad (13)$$

and

$$|A_2 \cap (A_2 + x)| + |B_2 \cap (B_2 + x)| = \begin{cases} 4A + 2E + B + C = \frac{q-t(\alpha)-4}{2} & \text{if } x^{-1} \in C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_2^{(4,q,\alpha)}, \\ 4E + 2D + A + B = \frac{q+t(\alpha)-2}{2} & \text{if } x^{-1} \in C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)}, \end{cases} \quad (14)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \frac{q - 7 + 2s}{16}, \\ B &= \frac{q + 1 + 2s - 8t(\alpha)}{16}, \\ C &= \frac{q + 1 - 6s}{16}, \\ D &= \frac{q + 1 + 2s + 8t(\alpha)}{16}, \\ E &= \frac{q - 3 - 2s}{16}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* This result is proven in the proof of Theorem 3.1 in [6]. (There are two typos in equation (5) in [6]; “ $\frac{q-2-t}{2}$ ” and “ $\frac{q-4+t}{2}$ ” should be “ $\frac{q-4-t}{2}$ ” and “ $\frac{q-2+t}{2}$ ” respectively. Equation (5) in [6] is equation (14) here.)  $\square$

**Theorem 6.** For  $i = 1, 2$ , let  $(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i)$  be  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -pair whose sets of 1 indices are  $(A_i, B_i)$  in Lemma 7. Then  $(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i)$  is a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\} \mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -pair if and only if  $t(\alpha) = (-1)^{i+1}$ , where  $t(\alpha)$  is as in equation (12). Hence, exactly one of the  $(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i)$  is a Yamada-Pott  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair.

*Proof.* First,  $(A_1, B_1)$  is a 2-SDS( $q; (q-1)/2, (q-1)/2, (q-3)/2$ ) if and only if

$$\frac{q - t(\alpha) - 2}{2} = \frac{q + t(\alpha) - 4}{2} = \frac{q - 3}{2} \iff t(\alpha) = 1,$$

and  $(A_2, B_2)$  is a 2-SDS( $q; (q-1)/2, (q-1)/2, (q-3)/2$ ) if and only if

$$\frac{q - t(\alpha) - 4}{2} = \frac{q + t(\alpha) - 2}{2} = \frac{q - 3}{2} \iff t(\alpha) = -1.$$

Hence, the choice of field generator  $\alpha$  determines which pair is the supplementary difference set as  $(0, 3)_{q, \alpha}^4$  is a function of  $\alpha$ . To prove the symmetry of  $B_1$  and the skew-symmetry of  $A_1$  first observe that  $q = s^2 + 4$ , with  $s \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  implies  $q = 8j + 5$  for some  $j \in \mathbb{Z}^{\geq 0}$ . Since

$$-1 = \alpha^{\frac{q-1}{2}} = \alpha^{4j+2},$$

we have

$$-C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)} = \alpha^{4j+2} \alpha C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} = \alpha^3 C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} = C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)},$$

and

$$-C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} = \alpha^{4j+2} C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} = C_2^{(4,q,\alpha)}.$$

Then

$$B_1^{(-1)} = (C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)} + C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)})^{(-1)} = -C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)} - C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)} = C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)} + C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)} = B_1,$$

and  $B_1$  is symmetric. Moreover,

$$A_1^{(-1)} = (C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} + C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)})^{(-1)} = -C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} - C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)} = C_2^{(4,q,\alpha)} + C_3^{(4,q,\alpha)}. \quad (15)$$

Now, equation (15) implies  $\{A_1\} \cap \{A_1^{(-1)}\} = \emptyset$ , and  $A_1 + A_1^{(-1)} = \mathbb{Z}_p^m - 0$ . Hence,  $A_1$  is skew-symmetric. The symmetry of  $A_2$  and the skew-symmetry of  $B_2$  are proven similarly. The result now follows from Theorem 1.  $\square$

Let  $C_{i,j,l}$  in Section 1.4 be the sets of 1 indices of pairs of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -arrays. It is easy to check that the equivalence classes of pairs of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -arrays whose sets of 1 indices are  $C_{0,1,3}, C_{0,2,3}$ , and  $C_{1,0,3}$  constitute all equivalence classes of all possible pairs of  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -arrays whose sets of 1 indices have the form  $C_{i,j,l}$ . Hence, Theorems 5 and 6 cover all equivalence classes of all possible such  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -arrays.

The following corollary provides two equivalent conditions to the equivalence class  $i$  Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen family of  $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array  $\mathbf{s}_i$  being perfect.

**Corollary 1.** Let  $(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i)$  and  $t(\alpha)$  be as in Theorem 6. Let  $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2) = \langle \omega \rangle$ , and  $S_i = \Theta(A_i) + \Theta(B_i)\omega$  be the set of 1 indices of the equivalence class  $i$  Ding-Helleseth-Martinsen family of  $\{0, 1\}$   $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array  $\mathbf{s}_i$ . Then the following are equivalent:

- (i) The  $\{0, 1\}$   $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$ -array  $\mathbf{s}_i$  is perfect.
- (ii)  $(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i)$  is a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair.
- (iii)  $t(\alpha) = (-1)^{i+1}$ .

*Proof.* The equivalence of (ii) and (iii) follows from Theorem 6. (ii)  $\implies$  (i) follows from Theorem 3. To prove (i)  $\implies$  (ii), we already proved in the proof of Theorem 6 that  $\mathbf{a}_1$  and  $\mathbf{b}_2$  are skew-symmetric and  $\mathbf{b}_1$  and  $\mathbf{a}_2$  are symmetric. So, it suffices to show that  $(\Theta(\mathbf{a}_i), \Theta(\mathbf{b}_i))$  is a Legendre pair. By the definition in equation (2),  $\mathbf{s}_i$  is perfect implies

$$C_{\mathbf{s}_i}(t) = \frac{q-1}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{q-3}{2} \quad \text{if} \quad t \neq 1. \quad (16)$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t \in \Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)} C_{\mathbf{s}_i}(t)t &= S_i S_i^{(-1)} = (\Theta(A_i) + \omega\Theta(B_i)) (\Theta(A_i) + \omega\Theta(B_i))^{(-1)} \\ &= (\Theta(A_i) + \omega\Theta(B_i)) (\Theta(A_i)^{(-1)} + \omega\Theta(B_i)^{(-1)}). \end{aligned}$$

Then,

$$S_i S_i^{-1} = \Theta(A_i)\Theta(A_i)^{(-1)} + \Theta(B_i)\Theta(B_i)^{(-1)} + \omega \left( \Theta(A_i)\Theta(B_i)^{(-1)} + \Theta(A_i)^{(-1)}\Theta(B_i) \right). \quad (17)$$

The isomorphism  $\Theta : \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m \rightarrow \Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)$  extends linearly to an isomorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m]$  and  $\mathbb{Z}[\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_p^m)]$ . If  $(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{b}_i)$  is not a Legendre pair then by equations (13) and (14)

$$A_i(A_i)^{(-1)} + B_i(B_i)^{(-1)}$$

has terms whose coefficients are equal to  $(q-5)/2$ . Then equation (17) implies

$$\Theta(A_i)\Theta(A_i)^{(-1)} + \Theta(B_i)\Theta(B_i)^{(-1)}$$

has terms whose coefficients are  $(q-5)/2$ , and this contradicts equation (16).  $\square$

By establishing (i)  $\iff$  (iii) in Corollary 1 we also solved the second of the proposed two open problems at the end of Section 3 in [6]. As far as we know this problem has been open until now.

The second part of Theorem 3.1 of [1] states that the  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  with sets of 1 indices  $(C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)}, C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_2^{(4,q,\alpha)})$  satisfies the Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair

condition. This is not always true. On page 130 of [13], Pott incorrectly credits [1] for this theorem (as it works if and only if  $t(\alpha) = -1$ ). Nevertheless, this does not impact the main theme of [1] on dicyclic designs. The following corollary corrects the second part of Theorem 3.1 of [1].

**Corollary 2.** Let  $t(\alpha)$  and  $q = p^m = s^2 + 4t(\alpha)^2$  be as in equation (12). Then, the  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  with sets of 1 indices  $D_1 = C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_1^{(4,q,\alpha)}$ , and  $D_2 = C_0^{(4,q,\alpha)} \cup C_2^{(4,q,\alpha)}$  satisfies the Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair condition if and only if  $t(\alpha) = -1$ . Moreover,  $\mathbf{a}$  is skew-symmetric and  $\mathbf{b}$  is symmetric.

*Proof.* Let  $A_2, B_2$  and  $\mathbf{a}_2, \mathbf{b}_2$  be as in Theorem 6. Then  $\mathbf{a}_2$  is symmetric and  $\mathbf{b}_2$  is skew-symmetric. Observe that  $(D_1, D_2) = (\alpha^2 B_2, \alpha^2 A_2)$ . Hence,  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{b}_2, \mathbf{a}_2)$  is equivalent to  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ . Thus,  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is a Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_p^m$ -array pair if and only if  $t(\alpha) = -1$ . By Lemma 5,  $(D_1, D_2) = (\alpha^2 B_2, \alpha^2 A_2)$  implies  $\mathbf{a}$  is skew-symmetric and  $\mathbf{b}$  is symmetric.  $\square$

### 2.3 The Sidelnikov-Lempel-Cohn-Eastman $\mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ -array based Yamada-Pott $\{0, 1\}$ $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pairs

An interesting fact about the Sidelnikov-Lempel-Cohn-Eastman  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ -array and the Yamada Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pair is that each pair can be obtained from the other.

**Theorem 7.** For  $q \geq 7$  and  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  let  $(A_1, B_1)$  and  $(A_2 \cup B_2)$  be the pair of sets of 1 indices of the Yamada Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pair and the set of 1 indices of the Sidelnikov-Lempel-Cohn-Eastman  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ -array, where

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \left\{ \log_\alpha x \pmod{\frac{q-1}{2}} \mid x \in (C_0^2 + 1) \cap C_0^2 \right\}, \\ B_1 &= \left\{ \log_\alpha x \pmod{\frac{q-1}{2}} \mid x \in (C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_0^2 \right\}, \\ A_2 &= \left\{ \log_\alpha x \pmod{\frac{q-1}{2}} \mid x \in (C_1^2 - 1) \cap C_0^2 \right\}, \\ B_2 &= \left\{ \log_\alpha x \pmod{\frac{q-1}{2}} \mid x \in (C_1^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then,  $A_1 = B_2$ , and  $B_1 = \mathbb{Z}_{\frac{q-1}{2}} \setminus A_2$ .

*Proof.* Observe that

$$\alpha^{\frac{q-1}{2}} [(C_0^2 + 1) \cap C_0^2] = (\alpha^{\frac{q-1}{2}} C_0^2 + \alpha^{\frac{q-1}{2}}) \cap \alpha^{\frac{q-1}{2}} C_0^2.$$

Then,  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  implies  $\alpha^{(q-1)/2} = -1 \notin C_0^2$  giving

$$\alpha^{\frac{q-1}{2}} [(C_0^2 + 1) \cap C_0^2] = (C_1^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2.$$

After taking the discrete logarithm and reducing modulo  $(q-1)/2$ , we get  $A_1 = B_2$ . Since  $\mathbb{F}_q = \{0\} \cup C_0^2 \cup C_1^2$  is a partitioning of  $\mathbb{F}_q$  and  $\phi(x) = x-1$  is a one-to-one function from  $\mathbb{F}_q$  to  $\mathbb{F}_q$  we get

$$\mathbb{F}_q = \{-1\} \cup (C_0^2 - 1) \cup (C_1^2 - 1) \quad (18)$$

as another partitioning of  $\mathbb{F}_q$ . Now, by equation (18) and the fact that  $-1 \notin C_0^2$ , we get

$$C_0^2 = C_0^2 \cap [(C_0^2 - 1) \cup (C_1^2 - 1)] = (C_0^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1)) \cup (C_0^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1))$$

as a partitioning of  $C_0^2$ . Then, we get the set equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2\mathbb{Z}_{\frac{q-1}{2}} &= \log_\alpha(C_0^2) = \log_\alpha[(C_0^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1)) \cup (C_0^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1))] = \\ &\log_\alpha[(C_0^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1))] \cup \log_\alpha[(C_0^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1))] = 2[B_1 \cup A_2] \end{aligned}$$

as

$$(C_0^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1)) \cap (C_0^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1)) = \emptyset.$$

Hence,

$$\mathbb{Z}_{\frac{q-1}{2}} = \frac{1}{2} \log_\alpha(C_0^2) = B_1 \cup A_2.$$

It is also clear that  $A_2 \cap B_1 = \emptyset$ . Thus,

$$B_1 = \mathbb{Z}_{\frac{q-1}{2}} \setminus A_2 \quad \text{and} \quad A_2 = \mathbb{Z}_{\frac{q-1}{2}} \setminus B_1.$$

□

Next, we locate an almost balanced perfect  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{q-1}$ -array pair based on a family of  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pairs. In fact, this result is presented partially in [6], as Theorem 4.1. By Lemma 6 it suffices to locate an almost balanced perfect  $\{0, 1\}$   $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_{q-1})$ -array.

**Theorem 8.** Let  $q \geq 7$  and  $q = p^m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $\alpha$  be a generator of  $\mathbb{F}_q^*$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \left\{ \log_\alpha x \pmod{\frac{q-1}{2}} \mid x \in (C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_0^2 \right\}, \\ B &= \left\{ \log_\alpha x \pmod{\frac{q-1}{2}} \mid x \in (C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2 \right\} \end{aligned}$$

be the pair of sets of 1 indices of the  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  pair. Then  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pair. Let  $\langle \omega \rangle = \Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2)$ . Then  $\Theta(A) + \Theta(B)\omega \in \mathbb{Z}[\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2})]$  corresponds to an almost balanced perfect  $\{0, 1\}$   $\Theta(\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2})$ -array.

*Proof.* Let  $A' = \sum_{g \in A/2} g$  and  $B' = \sum_{g \in (B-1)/2} g$ , where  $A', B' \in \mathbb{Z}[\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}]$  and  $(\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}')$  be the corresponding  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pair. In Theorem 4.1 of [6] it is shown that

$$A'(A')^{(-1)} + B'(B')^{(-1)} = \frac{q-7}{4}(\mathbb{Z}_{\frac{q-1}{2}} - 0) + \frac{q-3}{2}(0).$$



Now, since  $(\mathbf{a}', \mathbf{b}')$  and  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  are equivalent  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pairs, we get that  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  is a Legendre  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array pair. Next, we show that  $\mathbf{a}$  is a symmetric  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ -array. For a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$  let  $-A = \{x \mid -x \in A\}$ . For any  $x \in (C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_0^2$  we have

$$x = \alpha^{2i} - 1 = \alpha^{2j}, \quad (19)$$

for some  $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Multiplying both sides of equation (19) by  $x^{-1} = \alpha^{-2j}$  yields

$$\alpha^{2i-2j} - \alpha^{-2j} = 1$$

or

$$\alpha^{-2j} = \alpha^{2i-2j} - 1.$$

Then,  $x^{-1} \in (C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_0^2 = A$  implying  $-2j \in A$ . Hence, if  $2j \in A$  then  $2j \in -A$ . Since  $|(-A)| = |A|$  we get  $A = -A$ . Finally, we show that  $\mathbf{b}$ , equivalently  $B$  is skew-symmetric. By the definition of  $B$ , any  $x \in (C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2$  satisfies

$$x = \alpha^{2i} - 1 = \alpha^{2j+1}, \quad (20)$$

for some  $i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$ . By multiplying both sides of equation (20) with  $x^{-1} = \alpha^{-(2j+1)}$  we see that

$$\alpha^{2i-2j-1} - \alpha^{-(2j+1)} = 1.$$

By rearranging terms we get

$$\alpha^{-(2j+1)} = \alpha^{2i-2j-1} - 1,$$

and so  $x^{-1} \in (C_1^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2$ . Hence,  $x^{-1} \notin C_0^2 - 1$ , and  $-2j - 1 \notin B$ . Thus, if  $b = 2j + 1 \in B$ , then  $-b \notin B$  giving that  $B \cap (-B) = \emptyset$ . Now,  $q \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  implies  $\alpha^{(q-1)/2} = -1 \notin C_0^2$ . Then,

$$\alpha^{\frac{q-1}{2}} [(C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2] = (C_1^2 + 1) \cap C_0^2$$

and consequently  $|(C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2| = |(C_1^2 + 1) \cap C_0^2|$ . Now, by equation (18) and the fact that  $-1 \in C_1^2$ , we get

$$C_1^2 = C_1^2 \cap [(C_0^2 - 1) \cup (C_1^2 - 1)] = \{-1\} \cup (C_1^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1)) \cup (C_1^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1))$$

as a partitioning of  $C_1^2$ . Then, the set equations

$$\begin{aligned} 2\mathbb{Z}_{\frac{q-1}{2}} + 1 &= \log_\alpha(C_1^2) = \log_\alpha[-1] \cup \log_\alpha[(C_1^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1)) \cup (C_1^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1))] = \\ &= \log_\alpha[-1] \cup \log_\alpha[(C_1^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1))] \cup \log_\alpha[(C_1^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1))] \end{aligned}$$

gives a partitioning of  $2\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2} + 1$  as

$$(C_1^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1)) \cap (C_1^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1)) = \emptyset,$$

$-1 \notin (C_1^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1))$  and  $-1 \notin (C_1^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1))$ . Since  $\gcd((q-1)/2, 2) = 1$ ,  $\phi(x) = 2x+1$  is an automorphism of  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ . Then

$$\left(2\mathbb{Z}_{\frac{q-1}{2}} + 1\right) \pmod{\frac{q-1}{2}} = (\log_\alpha[-1] \cup \log_\alpha[(C_1^2 \cap (C_0^2 - 1))] \cup \log_\alpha[(C_1^2 \cap (C_1^2 - 1))]) \pmod{\frac{q-1}{2}}$$

is a partitioning of  $\mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2}$ . This implies that  $|B| = |(C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2|$ . By part b of Lemma 6 in [17, p. 30],  $|(C_0^2 - 1) \cap C_1^2| = |(C_1^2 + 1) \cap C_0^2| = (q-3)/4$ . Hence,  $|B| = (q-3)/4$ . We also have  $|B| = |(-B)|$  and  $B \cap (-B) = \emptyset$ , so  $B \cup (-B) = \mathbb{Z}_{(q-1)/2} \setminus 0$ . Now, the result follows from Lemma 2.  $\square$

While it is believed that a Legendre  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pair exists for all odd  $n$ , the existence of Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pairs or  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pairs  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$  such that both  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  are symmetric or skew-symmetric has not received as much attention. Table 1 shows the existence and non-existence of  $\{0, 1\}$  Yamada-Pott  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pairs. The comment column describes either how the pair is generated or how we have shown nonexistence. ‘‘Computer search’’ means the existence or non-existence of a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array was proven by an exhaustive computer search. Under the ‘‘Exist?’’ column a ‘‘Y’’ or ‘‘N’’ means yes or no. Our computer search was based on going through all possible pairs of  $\{0, 1\}$  sequences,  $\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$  such that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i = \frac{n+1}{2}$$

and screening out the pairs that formed a Legendre pair. At the end of the search, for each found  $\{0, 1\}$  Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b})$ , we checked for the symmetry and skew symmetry of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  respectively.

Table 2 shows the existence of a Legendre  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pair for all possible combinations of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  being symmetric, skew-symmetric and neither symmetric nor skew-symmetric. The number at the top of each column is  $n$ . The first two columns describe the attributes of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  respectively. In the first two columns ‘‘N’’ means neither symmetric nor skew-symmetric, ‘‘Sk’’ means skew-symmetric and ‘‘S’’ means symmetric. For each cell that is in a column with an integer at the top, ‘‘E’’ and ‘‘NE’’ mean exists and does not exist respectively.

Exhaustive searches proved that no balanced, perfect  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{54}$ -array exists, on two different supercomputers, with different programs [11]. This is consistent with our computer searches as finding a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{27}$ -array pair would imply a perfect balanced  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{54}$ -array by Theorem 3.

We end this section with a couple of comments.

1. In [13], on page 130, it is claimed that a Yamada-Pott  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{37}$ -array pair exists. This is false as it originated from the mistake in part 2 of Theorem 3.1 in [1]. The



Table 2: The existence of a Legendre  $\{0, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_n$ -array pair for all possible combinations of  $\mathbf{a}$  and  $\mathbf{b}$  being symmetric, skew-symmetric and neither symmetric nor skew-symmetric

Type		n								
A	B	5	7	9	11	13	15	17	19	21
N	N	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
N	S	E	NE	E	E	E	E	E	E	E
N	Sk	E	E	E	E	E	E	NE	E	E
S	S	E	NE	NE	NE	E	NE	E	NE	NE
S	Sk	E	NE	E	E	E	E	NE	NE	E
Sk	Sk	E	E	NE	E	E	NE	NE	E	NE

where  $-$ ,  $+$  are used for  $-1$ ,  $1$ , and commas are deleted to save space.

This pair can be shown to satisfy the condition given by Definition 5. The distributions of the autocorrelations of  $A$  and  $B$  are

$$(-11)^2(-7)^{12}(-3)^{10}(1)^{20}(5)^{12},$$

and

$$(-7)^{12}(-3)^{20}(1)^{10}(5)^{12}(9)^2.$$

By using cyclotomy we found a Legendre  $\{-1, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  that can be used to construct a Legendre  $\{-1, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_{57}$ -array pair that is not equivalent to the previously known  $\{-1, 1\}$  Legendre  $\mathbb{Z}_{57}$ -array pair. This construction is displayed in the next example.

**Example 1.** Construct  $C_i^{(6,19)}$  for  $i = 0, 1, \dots, 5$  for  $\alpha = 2$ . For this example, we explicitly construct these cosets for  $d = 6$ ,  $q = 19$  and  $\alpha = 2$ . The elements are given by  $C_0^{(6,19,2)} = \{1, 7, 11\}$  with the remaining cosets being generated by multiplying  $C_0^{(6,19,2)}$  by  $\alpha = 2$  and reducing modulo 19. For brevity, we use  $C_i^6$  for  $C_i^{(6,19,2)}$ . Let

$$X = \{\{0\} \times \{0, C_0^6, C_1^6, C_2^6\}\} \cup \{\{1\} \times \{C_0^6, C_2^6, C_3^6, C_4^6\}\} \cup \{\{2\} \times \{C_3^6, C_4^6\}\},$$

and

$$Y = \{\{0\} \times \{0, C_0^6, C_4^6, C_5^6\}\} \cup \{\{1\} \times \{C_0^6, C_3^6, C_5^6\}\} \cup \{\{2\} \times \{C_0^6, C_1^6, C_3^6\}\}.$$

Then, the Legendre  $\{-1, 1\}$   $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_{19}$ -array pair  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  obtained by letting

$$x_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \in X, \\ -1 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$



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