## **BRETT STEVENS**, Carleton University *Asymptotic Constructibility of Covering Arrays*

It has long been known that the optimal asymptotic size of a strength 2 covering array,  $\mathsf{CA}(2,k,v)$  is

$$\frac{v\log_2 k}{2}(1+o(1))$$

but this result is non-constructive. We present the current best asymptotic constructibility of strength 2 covering arrays. This requires a brief survey of general purpose constructions, their compatibility and one result on the distribution of primes.