

## WAVELETS, PROPERTIES OF THE SCALAR FUNCTIONS

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*Pentru a contrui o undină convenabilă  $\Psi$  este necesară și suficientă o analiză multirezoluție. Analiza multirezoluție este legată de funcția de scalare. În acest articol prezentăm câteva proprietăți ale funcției de scalare aplicând transformarea Fourier. Alegerea undinei  $\Psi$  este esențială. Problema este de a adapta  $\Psi$  la o anumită clasă de semnale, de exemplu semnale vocale sau muzicale.*

*To build a convenient wavelet  $\Psi$  a multiresolution analysis is necessary and sufficient. The multiresolution analysis is connected to the scalar function. In this article / paper we present some properties of the scalar function applying the Fourier transform. The choice of the wavelet  $\Psi$  is essential. The problem is to adapt  $\Psi$  to a certain class of signals, for example vocal or musical signals.*

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### Introduction

These problems have a special role in questions regarding the processing of signals in real time and the identification, optimization and the control of the most diverse systems.

In this paper we determine a scalar function  $\varphi \in L^2$ ,  $\varphi \in V_0$  so that the string  $\varphi(2t - n)$  is a sampling string.

### 1. Preliminaries

We recall that a wavelet  $\Psi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a function from  $L^1 \cap L^2$  such that  $\hat{\Psi}(0) = 0$  and  $\Psi, \hat{\Psi}$  satisfy the following decreasing-type conditions:

$$|\Psi(t)| \leq C \cdot (1 + |t|)^{-1-\varepsilon}, \quad |\hat{\Psi}(\omega)| \leq C(1 + |\omega|)^{-1-\varepsilon}, \quad \varepsilon > 0.$$

To determine  $\Psi$ , any signal with finite energy  $f \in L^2$  has a decomposition of the type

$$f(t) = C_\Psi \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \langle f, \Psi_{a,b} \rangle \Psi_{a,b}(t) a^{-2} da db \quad (1)$$

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by the Calderon's formula. Such a decomposition is interpreted in this way: the signal  $f$  is an overlapping of "blocks of building"  $\Psi_{a,b}(t) = |a|^{-1/2} \Psi\left(\frac{t-b}{a}\right)$ ,  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a \neq 0$ ,  $b$  real parameters each well located in time and frequency.

For example if  $\Psi(t) = (1-t^2) \exp\left(-\frac{t^2}{2}\right)$  then  $|\Psi_{a,b}(t)|$  is concentrated in  $[b-2|a|, b+2|a|]$ , and  $\widehat{|\Psi_{a,b}(\omega)|} = -\sqrt{2\pi}\omega^2 \exp\left(-\frac{\omega^2}{2}\right)$  is concentrated in the "crown"  $\frac{1}{4}|a| \leq |\omega| \leq 4|a|$ .

By portioning the domain of integration of the plane  $O_{ab}$ , we can obtain some algorithms for applications of the reconstruction formula (1).

To do this, consider a network in the plane  $O_{ab}$ , taking  $a = 2^{-j}$ ,  $b = k \cdot 2^{-j}$ ,  $j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Moreover we can choose the wavelet  $\Psi$  such that  $\Psi_{j,k} = \Psi_{a,b}$  to form an orthogonal basis for  $L^2$ .

Instead of integral representation (1) there is another representation of  $f$ :

$$f(t) = \sum_{j,k} \langle f, \Psi_{jk} \rangle \cdot \Psi_{jk}(t) \quad (2)$$

, where the convergence of series is in the space  $L^2$ , endowed with the usual norm.

To build a convenient wavelet  $\Psi$ , a multiresolution analysis is necessary and sufficient. To be more specific, we start from the scalar function  $\varphi \in L^2$  with  $\hat{\varphi}(0) = 0$  so that  $\varphi(x) = \sum_n c_n \varphi(2x-n)$  and  $\Psi(x) = \sum_n d_n \varphi(2x-n)$ . Then, for any  $f \in L^2$  it follows,

$$f(t) = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} 2^p \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cdot \varphi(2^p \cdot x - t) dx \quad (2')$$

In particular, the integrals  $2^p \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \cdot \varphi(2^p x - k) dx$  can be approximated through the samples  $f(k/2^p)$ .

By recurrent relations one can elaborate an algorithm for the computations of the scalar products  $\langle f, \Psi_{jk} \rangle = 2^{j/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \Psi(2^j \cdot x - k) dx$  and for the calculus of the scalars  $\langle f, \varphi_{jk} \rangle$ . Such algorithms can be seen in the theory of sub-banda filtration.

We remind that a multiresolution in  $L^2$  is a rising string  $(V_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$  of closed linear subspaces of  $L^2$  so that  $V_m \subset V_{m+1}$  for any  $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ ; the reunion of subspaces  $V_m$  is supposed to be dense in  $L^2$  and the intersection is reduced to the null subspace.

Moreover we assume that  $f(t) \in V_m \Leftrightarrow f(2t) \in V_{m+1}$  and there exists a function  $\varphi \in L^2$  called the scalar function of the multiresolution analysis, such that  $\varphi(t-n), n \in \mathbb{Z}$  is an orthonormal basis in  $V_0$ , then  $\{\sqrt{2}\varphi(2t-n)\}, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  form an orthonormal basis for  $V_1$ ; as  $\varphi \in V_1$ ,  $\varphi(t) = \sum_k c_k \sqrt{2}\varphi(2t-k)$  with  $\sum_k |c_k|^2 < \infty$ . This relation is called the dilation in time equation for  $\varphi$ ; in frequency it follows (under the hypothesis  $\varphi \in L^2 \cap L^1$ )

$$\hat{\varphi}(\omega) = \sum_k c_k \exp\left(-ik \frac{\omega}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \hat{\varphi}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) = m_0\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) \hat{\varphi}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right),$$

where  $m_0\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) = \sum_k c_k \exp\left(-ik \frac{\omega}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ .

We wish to determine a wavelet  $\Psi$  so that  $\Psi(t-n), n \in \mathbb{Z}$  to be an orthonormal basis in  $W_0$ , where  $W_0$  is the orthogonal complement of  $V_0$  in  $V_1$ ,  $V_1 = V_0 \oplus W_0$ . If such a wavelet is determined then  $(\forall)m$  fixed  $(\Psi_{mn})_n$  is an orthonormal basis in  $W_m$ .

Because  $L^2 = \overline{\bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} W_m}$ , ( $\bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} W_m$  is dense in  $L^2$ ) it results that the family with two indices  $\Psi_{mn}$ ,  $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$  forms an orthonormal basis for  $L^2$ .

It is known that  $\Psi(t)$  is defined by:

$$\Psi(t) = \sqrt{2} \sum_k c_{1-k} (-1)^k \varphi(2t - k) \quad \text{or,} \quad \text{if } \Psi \in L^1 \cap L^2, \quad \text{then}$$

$$\hat{\Psi}(\omega) = \exp\left(-\frac{i\omega}{2}\right) \overline{m_0\left(\frac{\omega}{2} + \pi\right)} \cdot \varphi\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right).$$

## 2. Examples

1) A classic example is represented by the scalar function  $\varphi_H$  and the wavelet  $\Psi_H$  of Haar

$$\varphi(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } t \in [0,1) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} ; \quad \Psi(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \in \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right) \\ -1, & t \in \left[\frac{1}{2}, 1\right) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Another classic example is the Shannon pair, where  $\varphi(t) = \frac{\sin \pi t}{\pi t}$  ( $t \neq 0$ );  $\varphi(0) = 1$ .

Developing such a function  $V_0$  with respect to the Hilbert base  $(\varphi(t-n))_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  is exactly the classic formula of sampling of Shannon.

2) It is also known Meyer's wavelet  $\varphi(t)$  defined by

$$\hat{\varphi}(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1, & |\omega| \leq \frac{2\pi}{3} \\ \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}r\left(\frac{3|\omega|}{2\pi} - 1\right)\right), & \frac{2\pi}{3} < |\omega| \leq \frac{4\pi}{3} \end{cases}, \quad \varphi \in L_1 \cap L_2, \text{ where } r(x) \text{ is a function } C^k \text{ so that } r(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } x \leq 0 \\ 1, & \text{for } x \geq 1 \end{cases} \text{ and } r(x) + r(1-x) = 1.$$

We propose to determine a scalar function  $\varphi \in L^2$ ,  $\varphi \in V_0$  such that the string  $\varphi(2t-n)$  is a sampling string for  $f \in V_0$  that is for any  $f \in V_0$ ,

$$f(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \varphi(2t-n), \quad (3)$$

the convergence being in  $L^2$ .

In particular,

$$\varphi(t) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \varphi\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \varphi(2t-n) \quad (3')$$

If  $\varphi \in L^1 \cap L^2$ , then, applying the Fourier operator, one obtains:

$$\hat{\varphi}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_n \varphi\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) \exp\left(-i\omega \frac{n}{2}\right) \hat{\varphi}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right).$$

### 3. Theorem 1

Let  $\varphi \in V_0$  be a fixed scalar function.

The following statements are equivalent:

a) for any  $f \in V_0$ , we have

$$f(t) = \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} f\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \varphi(2t-k) \quad (\text{the convergence is in } L^2);$$

$$\text{b) } \varphi(t) = \sum_{j \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} \varphi\left(\frac{j}{2}\right) \varphi(2t-j) \quad (\text{in } L^2)$$

Proof: (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b) is obvious, since  $\varphi \in V_0$ .

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (a). Since  $(\varphi(t-n))_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$  is an orthonormal base in  $L^2 \supset V_0$ ,  $f \in V_0$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \beta_n \varphi(t-n), \text{ where} \\ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \beta_n^2 &= \|f\|^2 < \infty \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

On the other hand, from (b) we have:

$$\varphi(t-n) = \sum_{j \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} \varphi\left(\frac{j}{2}\right) \varphi(2t-2n-j), \text{ where } \sum_{j \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} \varphi^2\left(\frac{j}{2}\right) < \infty$$

One obtains

$$\begin{aligned} f(t) &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \beta_n \left( \sum_{j \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} \varphi\left(\frac{j}{2}\right) \varphi(2t-2n-j) \right) \stackrel{k:=2n+j}{=} \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \beta_n \left( \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} \varphi\left(\frac{k}{2}-n\right) \varphi(2t-k) \right) = \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} \varphi(2t-k) \left[ \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \beta_n \varphi\left(\frac{k}{2}-n\right) \right] \\ &\stackrel{(4)}{=} \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} \varphi(2t-k) f\left(\frac{k}{2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

The convenient grouping of terms in the series in the computation from above is permitted, since the series is absolutely convergent in  $L^2$ , because  $t$  is commutative convergent (sumable). Precisely, we have:

$$\sum_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1}} \left| \beta_n \varphi\left(\frac{k}{2}-n\right) \right| \left| \varphi(2t-k) \right| = \sum_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{Z} \\ k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1}} \left| \beta_n \right| \left| \varphi\left(\frac{k}{2}-n\right) \right| \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{Thus } f(t) = \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} f\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \varphi(2t-k) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \beta_n \varphi(t-n)$$

both series being convergent in  $L^2$ . It follows:

$$\|f\|^2 = \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} f^2\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{2} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \beta_n^2 < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} f^2\left(\frac{k}{2}\right) < \infty.$$

The proof is complete.

Remark a) The implication (b)  $\Rightarrow$ (a) says that we can “know”  $f$  somehow, only knowing the samples  $f\left(\frac{k}{2}\right), k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $k$  odd integer, if this is possible for the scalar function  $\varphi$ .

b) It is well known that the convergence of a sequence of functions in  $L^p$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , implies the pointwise convergence almost everywhere of a subsequence. In our case, the sequence is the sequence of the partial sums of the series  $\sum_{k \in 2\mathbb{Z}+1} f\left(\frac{k}{2}\right)\varphi(2t-k), (p=2)$ .

#### 4. Theorem 2

Assume that

$$\hat{\varphi}(\omega) = \left( \int_{\omega-\pi}^{\omega+\pi} |u(x)| dx \right)^{1/2}, \text{ where } u \in L^1(\mathbb{R}) \quad (5)$$

$\text{supp } u \subset [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$  where  $0 < \varepsilon < \pi$ .

Let  $\hat{\varphi}_1(\omega) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{\varphi}(\omega + 4k\pi), \omega \in \mathbb{R}$ . The following statements are

equivalent:

$$(a) \hat{\varphi}(\omega) = \hat{\varphi}_1(\omega) \cdot \hat{\varphi}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right), (\forall) \omega \in \text{supp } \hat{\varphi}$$

$$(b) \hat{\varphi}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) = 1, (\forall) \omega \in \text{supp } \hat{\varphi}$$

#### Proof

From  $\text{supp } u \subset [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$  and by the assumption (5), one can deduce that  $\text{supp } \hat{\varphi} \subset [-\pi - \varepsilon, \pi + \varepsilon]$ . This leads to:

$$\text{supp } \hat{\varphi}_1 \subset \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} [-\varepsilon - (4k+1)\pi, \varepsilon + (1-4k)\pi].$$

These facts imply:  $\text{supp } \hat{\varphi}_1 \cap \text{supp } \hat{\varphi} \subset \text{supp } \hat{\varphi} \subset [-\pi - \varepsilon, \pi + \varepsilon]$  and, for  $\omega \in \text{supp } \hat{\varphi}_1 \cap \text{supp } \hat{\varphi}$ , only one of the terms of the sum  $\hat{\varphi}_1(\omega)$  is nonzero, and this term is equal to  $\hat{\varphi}(\omega)$ . To prove (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b), observe that

$\omega \in \text{supp } \hat{\phi} \Rightarrow \omega \in \text{supp } \hat{\phi}_1$ , hence  $\hat{\phi}(\omega) = \hat{\phi}_1(\omega) \neq 0 \stackrel{(a)}{\Rightarrow} \hat{\phi}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) = 1 \forall \omega \in \text{supp } \hat{\phi}$ , i.e. (b).

(b)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) is obvious. The proof is complete.

**Example** Let  $u(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in [0,1) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Let } \hat{\phi}(\omega) &:= \left( \int_{\omega-\pi}^{\omega+\pi} u(x) dx \right)^{1/2} = \left( \int_{\omega-\pi}^{\omega+\pi} \chi_{[0,1]}(x) dx \right)^{1/2} = \\ &= \begin{cases} (\omega + \pi)^{1/2}, & -\pi \leq \omega < 1 - \pi \\ 1, & 1 - \pi \leq \omega \leq \pi \\ (1 - \omega + \pi)^{1/2}, & \pi < \omega < 1 + \pi \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

Thus  $\text{supp } \hat{\phi} = [-\pi, 1 + \pi]$  and

$$\omega \in \text{supp } \hat{\phi} \Leftrightarrow \frac{\omega}{2} \in \left[ -\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\pi}{2} \right] \subset [1 - \pi, \pi] \Rightarrow \hat{\phi}\left(\frac{\omega}{2}\right) = 1 \text{ by (6).}$$

It follows that (a) holds for any  $\omega \in [-\pi, 1 + \pi]$ .

## Conclusion

Instead of looking for a sampling function  $f$  in  $V_0$ , this can be searched in  $V_1$  and its recovery can be done through samples  $f\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  are odd integers.

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