

Multiresolution Analysis (MRA)

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Multiresolutions analysis (MRA)

- was invented in 1988 by Stephane MALLAT in his Ph.D. thesis *Multiresolution and Wavelets* (University of Pennsylvania)
- is an elegant theoretical framework for the study of wavelets and wavelet transforms
- is considered to be the central concept which integrates the many facets of wavelet transforms

- Definition

An MRA (*multiresolution analysis*) consists of a family $\{V_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$ of subspaces of $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$ satisfying the following properties:

- 1 “nesting”: $V_j \subseteq V_{j+1}$ ($j \in \mathbb{Z}$)
- 2 “density” : $\overline{\text{span}}\{V_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} = \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$
- 3 “separation”: $\bigcap\{V_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} = \{0\}$
- 4 “scaling”:
 $f(t) \in V_0 \Leftrightarrow (D_{2^j} f)(t) = 2^{j/2} f(2^j t) \in V_j$ ($f \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}), j \in \mathbb{Z}$)
- 5 “scaling function”:
 There exists a function $\phi \in V_0$ s.th. the family of its integer translates

$$\{T_k \phi(t)\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} = \{\phi(t - k)\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

forms a complete ON-basis of $V_0 = \overline{\text{span}}\{T_k \phi\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ (ONST)

- ONST-Example:

- Consider the function $\phi(t) = \text{sinc}(t) = \frac{\sin(\pi t)}{\pi t}$
- Are the integer translates $(T_k\phi)(t) = \phi(t - k)$ ($k \in \mathbb{Z}$) orthogonal to each other?
- The answer is not obvious from looking at the graphs!
- How to prove orthogonality?
- Recipe: Go to the frequency domain! (using PP)
- Recall: $\widehat{\phi}(s) = b(s) = \mathbf{1}_{[-1/2, 1/2)}(s)$ (the box function)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi | T_k\phi \rangle &= \langle \widehat{\phi} | \widehat{T_k\phi} \rangle = \langle b(s) | e^{-2\pi iks} b(s) \rangle \\ &= \int_{-1/2}^{1/2} e^{-2\pi iks} ds = \delta_{0,k} \end{aligned}$$

- Reminder:

$$\phi(t) \text{ satisfies (ONST)} \iff \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |\widehat{\phi}(s+n)|^2 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } \langle f | T_k f \rangle &= \langle \widehat{f} | \widehat{T_k f} \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \widehat{f}(s) \overline{\widehat{f}(s)} e^{2\pi i k s} ds \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_n^{n+1} |\widehat{f}(s)|^2 e^{2\pi i k s} ds \\ &= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_0^1 |\widehat{f}(s+n)|^2 e^{2\pi i k s} ds \\ &= \int_0^1 \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |\widehat{f}(s+n)|^2 e^{2\pi i k s} ds \end{aligned}$$

Hence in terms of Fourier series

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \langle f | T_k f \rangle e^{-2\pi i k s} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |\widehat{f}(s+n)|^2$$

- Consequences

- The vector spaces $(V_j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$ are ordered by inclusion

$$\{0\} \subsetneq \cdots \subseteq V_{-2} \subseteq V_{-1} \subseteq V_0 \subseteq V_1 \subseteq V_2 \subseteq \cdots \nearrow \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$$

- For each $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ family of dilated and translated functions $\{\phi_{j,k}(t)\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$, defined by

$$\phi_{j,k}(t) = 2^{j/2} \phi(2^j t - k) = (D_{2^j} T_k \phi)(t),$$

forms a complete ON-Basis (Hilbert basis) of the approximation space

$$V_j = \overline{\text{span}}\{\phi_{j,k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \quad (j \in \mathbb{Z})$$

- From $V_0 \subseteq V_1$ it follows that there exists a (unique) ℓ^2 -sequence $\mathbf{h} = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ of complex numbers s.th.

$$(S) \quad \phi(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k \phi_{1,k}(t)$$

This identity is the *scaling identity* of the MRA,
the sequence $\mathbf{h} = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is the *scaling filter* of the MRA

- Remarks

Properties involving V_0 and $\phi(t)$ carry over to all scaling levels by using dilation, e.g.,

$$V_0 \ni f(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f_k \cdot (T_k \phi)(t) \iff$$

$$V_j \ni (D_{2^j} f)(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f_k \cdot (D_{2^j} T_k \phi)(t)$$

so each V_j is a dilated copy of V_0 ,

- and thus orthonormality is preserved

$$\begin{aligned} \langle \phi_{j,k} | \phi_{j,\ell} \rangle &= 2^j \int_{\mathbb{R}} \phi(2^j t - k) \overline{\phi(2^j t - \ell)} dt \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \phi(t - k) \overline{\phi(t - \ell)} dt = \langle \phi_{0,k} | \phi_{0,\ell} \rangle = \delta_{k,\ell} \end{aligned}$$

- From the scaling identity (S) and orthogonality one gets immediately

$$h_k = \langle \phi | \phi_{1,k} \rangle = \sqrt{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \phi(t) \overline{\phi(2t - k)} dt$$

- and for all $j, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$\begin{aligned} \phi_{j,\ell}(t) &= 2^{j/2} \phi(2^j t - \ell) \\ &= 2^{j/2} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k \phi_{1,k}(2^j t - \ell) \\ &= 2^{(j+1)/2} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k \phi(2^{j+1} t - 2\ell - k) \\ &= \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k \phi_{j+1, 2\ell+k}(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_{k-2\ell} \phi_{j+1,k}(t) \end{aligned}$$

- so that the *scaling coefficients* $a_{j,\ell} = \langle f | \phi_{j,\ell} \rangle$ of $f \in \mathcal{L}^2$ satisfy

$$a_{j,\ell} = \langle f | \phi_{j,\ell} \rangle = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_{k-2\ell} \langle f | \phi_{j+1,k}(t) \rangle = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_{k-2\ell} a_{j+1,k}$$

- The *wavelet function* $\psi(t)$ of a MRA is defined in terms of the scaling function $\phi(t)$ as

$$(W) \quad \psi(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} g_k \phi_{1,k}(t) \quad \text{where} \quad g_k = (-1)^k \overline{h_{1-k}}$$

- The sequence $\mathbf{g} = (g_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is the *wavelet filter* belonging to the MRA
- The wavelet functions $\psi_{j,\ell}$ ($j, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$) are defined as usual
- The *wavelet coefficients* $d_{j,\ell} = \langle f | \psi_{j,\ell} \rangle$ of $f \in \mathcal{L}^2$ satisfy

$$d_{j,\ell} = \langle f | \psi_{j,\ell} \rangle = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} g_{k-2\ell} \langle f | \phi_{j+1,k}(t) \rangle = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} g_{k-2\ell} a_{j+1,k}$$

- The Discrete Wavelet Transform (DWT) based on the functions $\phi(t)$ and $\psi(t)$ uses these scaling and wavelet identities

$$a_{j,\ell} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_{k-2\ell} a_{j+1,k} \quad d_{j,\ell} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} g_{k-2\ell} a_{j+1,k}$$

- Theorem

- For each $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ the family of wavelet functions $\{\psi_{j,k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ with

$$\psi_{j,k}(t) = 2^{j/2} \psi(2^j t - k) = (D_{2^j} T_k \psi)(t)$$

is a complete ON-Basis (Hilbert basis) of the wavelet (detail) space

$$W_j = \overline{\text{span}}\{\psi_{j,k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

- For all $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ the space W_j is the orthogonal complement of V_j in V_{j+1} :

$$V_{j+1} = W_j \oplus V_j \quad W_j \perp V_j$$

- For every $J \in \mathbb{Z}$ one has the direct product decomposition

$$\mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}) = V_J \oplus \bigoplus_{j \geq J} W_j$$

- The family $\{\psi_{j,k}\}_{j,k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is a complete ON-basis (Hilbert basis) of $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$

$$\mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}) = \bigoplus_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} W_j$$

- Remarks

- Functions in V_j and W_j have resolution level $\geq 2^{-j}$
- Orthogonal projections on approximation and detail subspaces

$$\text{approximation} \quad P_j : \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow V_j : f \mapsto \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \langle f | \phi_{j,k} \rangle \phi_{j,k}$$

$$\text{detail} \quad Q_j : \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow W_j : f \mapsto \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \langle f | \psi_{j,k} \rangle \psi_{j,k}$$

where $Q_j = P_{j+1} - P_j$

- For all $j > m$ one has the wavelet decomposition

$$V_{j+1} = V_m \oplus W_m \oplus W_{m+1} \oplus \cdots \oplus W_j$$

- The “density” and “separation” requirements for an MRA translate into

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} P_j f = f \quad \text{und} \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow -\infty} P_j f = 0$$

w.r.t. \mathcal{L}^2 -convergence

Example (1): The HAAR-MRA

- The scaling function is

$$\phi(t) = \mathbf{1}_{[0,1)}(t)$$

- For $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ the approximation space

$$V_j = \overline{\text{span}}\{ \phi_{j,k}(t) \}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \subseteq \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$$

consists of the \mathcal{L}^2 -step functions with step width 2^{-j}

- $\{ \phi_{j,k}(t) \}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is obviously an ON-Basis of V_j
- Density (fact about approximation by step functions):

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} V_j = \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$$

- Separation: an \mathcal{L}^2 -function $f \in \bigcap_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} V_j$ which is constant on arbitrarily long intervals must vanish identically on \mathbb{R}

- Scaling filter coefficients

$$h_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad h_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad h_k = 0 \quad (k \neq 0, 1)$$

- Scaling identity

$$\phi(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi_{0,0}(t) + \phi_{0,1}(t)) = \phi(2t) + \phi(2t - 1)$$

- Wavelet filter coefficients

$$g_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad g_1 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad g_k = 0 \quad (k \neq 0, 1)$$

- Wavelet identity

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(t) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (\phi_{0,0}(t) - \phi_{0,1}(t)) = \phi(2t) - \phi(2t - 1) \\ &= \mathbf{1}_{[0,1/2)}(t) - \mathbf{1}_{[1/2,1)}(t) \end{aligned}$$

- Fourier transforms

$$\widehat{\phi}(s) = e^{-i\pi s} \operatorname{sinc}(s) \quad \widehat{\psi}(s) = i \cdot e^{-i\pi s} \sin(\pi s/2) \operatorname{sinc}(s/2)$$

- Examples (2)

The *Daubechies*, *Coiflet*, and many other orthogonal filters of similar type define MRAs with filters of finite length and scaling/wavelet functions with compact support

- The filters are (of course!) those constructed from orthogonality and low/highpass conditions
- The scaling functions $\phi(t)$ and the wavelet functions $\psi(t)$ are those functions determined by the cascade algorithm
- The ONST-property follows because the cascade algorithm preserves orthogonality
- *Density* and *Separation* do not come automatically, but have to be verified separately

Example (3): The SHANNON-MRA

- SHANNON's sampling theorem motivates to consider

$$V_0 = \{ f \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}); \widehat{f}(s) = 0 \text{ for } |s| > 1/2 \}$$

the space of 1-band-limited functions, and

$$V_j = \{ f \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}); \widehat{f}(s) = 0 \text{ for } |s| > 2^{j-1} \}$$

the space of 2^j -band-limited functions

- The scaling function is

$$\phi(t) = \text{sinc}(t) = \frac{\sin(\pi t)}{\pi t}$$

- The FT of the scaling function is the box function

$$\widehat{\phi}(s) = \mathbf{1}_{[-1/2, 1/2)}(s)$$

- The family $\{ T_k \phi(t) \}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \subseteq V_0$ is an ONST in V_0 (remember the previous example)
- SHANNON's sampling theorem says precisely this:

$$V_0 = \overline{\text{span}}\{ T_k \phi(t) \}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$$

- The Shannon wavelet function is

$$\psi(t) = \frac{\sin(2\pi t) - \cos(\pi t)}{\pi(t - 1/2)} = \frac{\sin(\pi(t - 1/2))}{\pi(t - 1/2)} (1 - 2\sin(\pi t))$$

- with its FT

$$\widehat{\psi}(t) = -e^{-i\pi s} (\mathbf{1}_{[-1, -1/2)}(s) + \mathbf{1}_{[1/2, 1)}(s))$$

- Note:

- $\phi(t)$ and $\psi(t)$ are infinitely differentiable functions with infinite support
- $\widehat{\phi}(t)$ and $\widehat{\psi}(t)$ discontinuous functions with compact support
- The scaling and wavelet filters have infinite length (with quite simple coefficients)
- The situation is precisely the converse to that of the HAAR-MRA

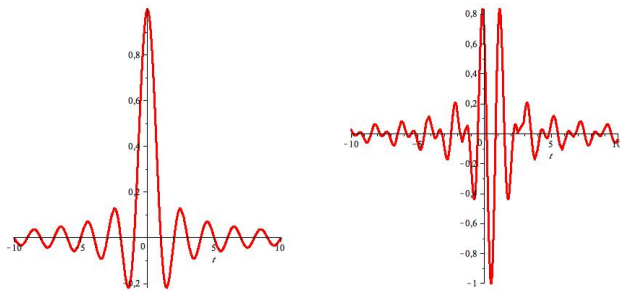


Figure: Shannon Scaling function and Shannon wavelet function

Example (4): The piecewise-linear MRA

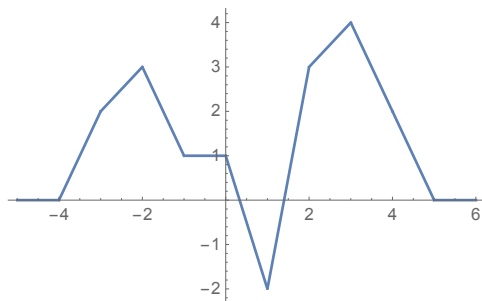
- Continuous alternative to the HAAR-MRA:

V_0 contains the continuous \mathcal{L}^2 -functions which are (affine-)linear on any interval $I_{0,k} = [k, k + 1)$, ($k \in \mathbb{Z}$), i.e.,

$$V_0 = \{ f \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}); f \text{ continuous on } \mathbb{R} \text{ and linear on all } I_{0,k} (k \in \mathbb{Z}) \}$$

- so that for any $j \in \mathbb{Z}$

$$V_j = \{ f \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R}); f \text{ continuous on } \mathbb{R} \text{ and linear on all } I_{j,k} (k \in \mathbb{Z}) \}$$



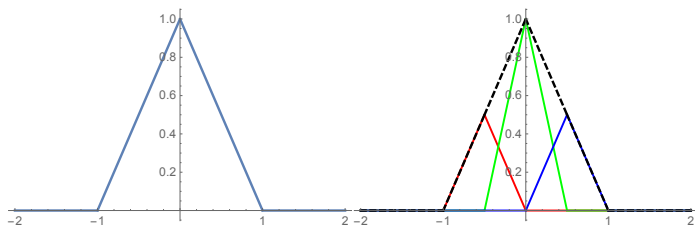
A piecewise-continuous function $f(t)$ defined by the values

k	-4	-3	-3	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5
$f(k)$	0	2	3	1	1	-2	3	4	2	0

- The spaces $(V_j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$ are obviously *nested*
- *Density*: one has to show that any continuous function with compact support can be approximated uniformly as $j \rightarrow \infty$ by V_j -functions
- *Separation*: any \mathcal{L}^2 -function $f \in \bigcap_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} V_j$ must be linear in arbitrarily long intervals.
This happens only for $f \equiv 0$
- *Scaling* is part of the definition

- What is a *scaling function* $\phi(t) \in V_0$ for this MRA?
 - The “obvious” candidate is the “hat” function

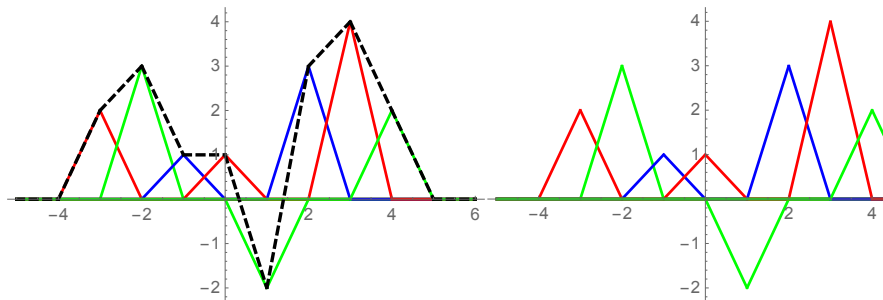
$$\phi(t) = (1 - |t|) \mathbf{1}_{[-1,1]}(t)$$



- It satisfies the scaling equation

$$\phi(t) = \frac{1}{2}\phi(2t - 1) + \phi(2t) + \frac{1}{2}\phi(2t + 1)$$

- The integer translates $T_k\phi(t)$ ($k \in \mathbb{Z}$) of the hat function can be used to generate V_0



The piecewise-linear function $f(t)$ represented as

$$2\phi(t+3)+3\phi(t+2)+\phi(t+1)+\phi(t)-2\phi(t-1)+3\phi(t-2)+4\phi(t-3)+2\phi(t-4)$$

The example illustrates the simple fact:

- Lemma

If f is continuous function on \mathbb{R} and linear on all intervals $I_{0,k}$, then for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$f(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f(k) (T_k \phi)(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f(k) \phi(t - k)$$

- This is an assertion about pointwise convergence.

(This convergence is trivial because for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$ at most two summands are $\neq 0$)

- BUT unfortunately the $T_k\phi(t)$ are not always orthogonal :

$$\langle T_k\phi | T_\ell\phi \rangle = \begin{cases} 2/3 & \text{if } k = \ell \\ 1/6 & \text{if } |k - \ell| = 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **Q:** Can one find another function $\tilde{\phi}(t) \in V_0$ such that its integer translates are an ONST and generate V_0 ?
- The procedure outlined below is exemplary and can be used in other situations as well

- (still about the scaling function)

- Lemma

If f is continuous on \mathbb{R} and linear on all intervals $I_{0,k}$, then

$$f(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f(k) (T_k \phi)(t)$$

also holds in the sense of \mathcal{L}^2 -convergence

- This follows from

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{6} (|f(n)|^2 + |f(n+1)|^2) &\leq \int_n^{n+1} |f(t)|^2 dt \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (|f(n)|^2 + |f(n+1)|^2) \end{aligned}$$

for any function which is linear in the interval $[n, n+1)$

- Lemma: $V_0 = \overline{\text{span}}\{T_k \phi\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$

- (still about the scaling function)
 - A suitable scaling function $\tilde{\phi}(t)$ for the piecewise-linear MRA can be found using Fourier transforms
 - Remember the characterization of ONST

$$\{ T_k \phi \}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{ is an ONST} \iff \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |\hat{\phi}(s+n)|^2 \equiv 1$$

- The translates of $\phi(t)$ visibly do not form an ONST, and this can be quantified by

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |\hat{\phi}(s+n)|^2 = \frac{1}{6} e^{-2\pi i s} + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{6} e^{2\pi i s} = \frac{1 + 2 \cos^2(\pi s)}{3},$$

and hence

$$\frac{1}{3} \leq \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} |\hat{\phi}(s+n)|^2 \leq 1$$

- (still about the scaling function)

- If $\widehat{\phi}(s)$ is the FT of $\phi(t)$, define $\widetilde{\phi}(t)$ through its Fourier transform by setting

$$\widehat{\widetilde{\phi}}(s) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{1 + 2 \cos^2 \pi s}} \widehat{\phi}(s),$$

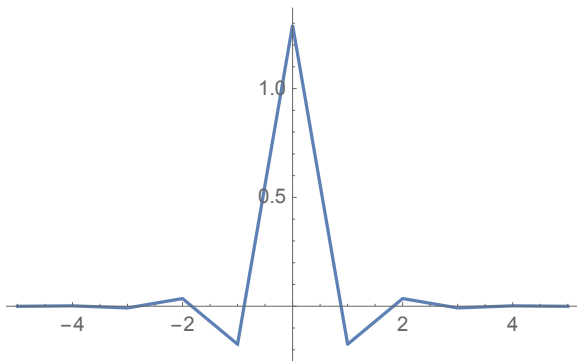
- Then, by construction,

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left| \widehat{\widetilde{\phi}}(s + n) \right|^2 \equiv 1$$

Hence $\{T_k \widetilde{\phi}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is an ONST and is an ON-basis of V_0 (see a later theorem for justifying this)

- The modification of the FT given above leads to the desired conclusion
But unfortunately neither $\widetilde{\phi}(t)$ nor $\psi(t)$ have a simple analytic form

- The scaling function $\tilde{\phi}(t)$ for the piecewise-linear MRA



The family of integer translates of $\tilde{\phi}(t)$ is an ONST for V_0 of this MRA

- General setup:

- An MRA given by nested approximation spaces $(V_j)_{j \in \mathbb{Z}}$ and a scaling function $\phi(t)$, satisfying the MRA requirements
- $\mathbf{h} = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$, the scaling filter of the MRA and its Fourier series

$$m_0(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k e^{-2\pi i s}$$

- $\mathbf{g} = (g_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$, where $g_k = (-1)^k \overline{h_{1-k}}$, the wavelet filter of the MRA and its Fourier series

$$m_1(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} g_k e^{-2\pi i s}$$

- $\psi(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} g_k \phi_{1,k}(t)$ the wavelet function of the MRA

- The following assertions are either already known or follow from the definitions and known facts by straightforward (occasionally somewhat tedious) calculations. See the Lecture Notes for details.
- Properties of $\mathbf{h} = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad \sum_k h_{k-2\ell} \overline{h_k} = \delta_{\ell,0}$$

$$|m_0(s)|^2 + |m_0(s + \frac{1}{2})|^2 = 1$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \sum_k |h_k|^2 = 1$$

case $\ell = 0$ in (1)

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \sum_k h_k = \sqrt{2}$$

$$m_0(0) = 1$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \sum_k h_{2k} = \sum_k h_{2k+1} = 1/\sqrt{2}$$

$$m_0(\frac{1}{2}) = 0$$

- Properties of the $\mathbf{g} = (g_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$

$$\textcircled{5} \quad \sum_k g_{k-2\ell} \overline{g_k} = \delta_{\ell,0}$$

$$|m_1(s)|^2 + |m_1(s + \frac{1}{2})|^2 = 1$$

$$\textcircled{6} \quad \sum_k |g_k|^2 = 1$$

case $\ell = 0$ in (1)

$$\textcircled{7} \quad \sum_k g_k = 0$$

$$m_1(0) = 0$$

$$\textcircled{8} \quad \sum_k g_{2k} = -\sum_k g_{2k+1} = 1/\sqrt{2}$$

$$m_1(\frac{1}{2}) = 1$$

- Properties relating $\mathbf{h} = (h_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ and $\mathbf{g} = (g_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$

$$\textcircled{9} \quad \sum_k g_{k-2\ell} \overline{h_k} = 0$$

$$m_0(s) \overline{m_1(s)} + m_0(s + \frac{1}{2}) \overline{m_1(s + \frac{1}{2})} = 0$$

$$\textcircled{10} \quad \sum_k (h_{m-2k} \overline{h_{n-2k}} + g_{m-2k} \overline{g_{n-2k}}) = \delta_{m,n}$$

$$m_0(s) \overline{m_0(s + \frac{1}{2})} + m_1(s + 1) \overline{m_1(s + \frac{1}{2})} = 0$$

- Consequences

- 1 For each $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ the family $\{\psi_{j,k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is an orthonormal family of \mathcal{L}^2 -functions
- 2 For each $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ the families $\{\psi_{j,k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ and $\{\phi_{j,k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ are orthogonal to each other, i.e., $W_j \perp V_j$
- 3 One has $V_1 = V_0 \oplus W_0$, and generally $V_{j+1} = V_j \oplus W_j$
- 4 For $j \neq j'$ one has $W_j \perp W_{j'}$
- 5 Thus $\{\psi_{j,k}\}_{j,k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is an orthonormal family of \mathcal{L}^2 -functions

- Characterization of the elements of the subspace V_0
- Theorem

If $\{T_k\phi\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is an ONST and V_0 the \mathcal{L}^2 -subspace generated by this family

$$f \in V_0 \iff \begin{cases} \text{there exists an } \ell^2\text{-sequence } (c_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{ with} \\ \widehat{f}(s) = \widehat{\phi}(s) \cdot \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} c_n e^{-2\pi i n s} \end{cases}$$

In words:

the elements of V_0 are precisely those \mathcal{L}^2 -functions f , whose FT \widehat{f} is a product of $\widehat{\phi}$ and a period-1 Fourier series

- For the proof (not difficult, using BESSEL's inequality and PARSEVAL-PLANCHEREL) see the Lecture Notes

- The following Theorem shows how the construction leading to an MRA for the piecewise-linear functions can be made in a general context. (For the proof see the Lecture Notes)
- Theorem
 - If $\phi(t) \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$ is a function with compact support
 - and if there exist constants A, B s.th.

$$0 < A \leq \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \left| \widehat{\phi}(s+n) \right|^2 \leq B,$$

then there exists a function $\tilde{\phi}(t) \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$, such that

- the family $\{T_k \tilde{\phi}\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$ is an ONST
- and it generates the same space V_0 as the family $\{T_k \phi\}_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$

- General MRA-setup (as before) with
 - scaling function $\phi(t)$, scaling filter $(h_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$, Fourier series $m_0(s)$
 - wavelet function $\psi(t)$, wavelet filter $(g_k)_{k \in \mathbb{Z}}$, Fourier series $m_1(s)$
- Properties
 - 1 $|\widehat{\phi}(0)| = |\int_{\mathbb{R}} \phi(t) dt| = 1$
 - 2 for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}, n \neq 0$: $\widehat{\phi}(n) = 0$
 - 3 $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \phi(t + n) \equiv 1$
 - 4 $\widehat{\psi}(0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \psi(t) dt = 0$
- The proofs are somewhat technical. See the Lecture Notes

Recall properties of the FT w.r.t. smoothness and vanishing at infinity

- Theorem

- If $f(t) \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R})$ and $t \cdot f(t) \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R})$, then $\widehat{f}(s) \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R})$ and

$$\widehat{t \cdot f}(s) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{ds} \widehat{f}(s)$$

- More generally for $N \geq 1$

If $f(t) \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R})$ and $t^N f(t) \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R})$ then $\widehat{f}(s) \in \mathcal{C}^N(\mathbb{R})$ and

$$(\widehat{t^j f(t)})(s) = \left(-\frac{1}{2\pi i} \frac{d}{ds}\right)^j \widehat{f}(s) \quad (0 \leq j \leq N)$$

“and conversely”

- Note: “ $t^N f(t) \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R})$ ” means: $f(t)$ vanishes rapidly as $t \rightarrow \pm\infty$, typically $f(t) \in \mathcal{O}(t^{-N-1-\varepsilon})$ for some $\varepsilon > 0$;
 “ $\widehat{f}(s) \in \mathcal{C}^N(\mathbb{R})$ ” means that $\widehat{f}(t)$ has N continuous derivatives

- For function $f(t)$ and $k \geq 0$ the k -th moment is defined as

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} t^k f(t) dt$$

- Note: if $t^k f(t) \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R})$, then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} t^k f(t) dt = 0 \iff \widehat{f}^{(k)}(0) = 0$$

- Theorem

If $\psi \in \mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$ and if $\{\psi_{j,k}\}$ is an orthonormal family in $\mathcal{L}^2(\mathbb{R})$, then:

- If $\psi, \widehat{\psi} \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R})$, then $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \psi = 0$
- More generally: if $t^N \psi(t), s^{N+1} \widehat{\psi}(s) \in \mathcal{L}^1(\mathbb{R})$, then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} t^m \psi(t) dt = \widehat{\psi}^{(m)}(0) = 0 \quad (0 \leq m \leq N)$$

- Remarks

- If a function $f(t)$ satisfies

$$\widehat{f}^{(k)}(0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} t^k f(t) dt = 0 \quad (0 \leq k < N),$$

then f is said to have N *vanishing moments*

- The previous Theorem relates smoothness and vanishing at infinity of a wavelet function $\psi(t)$ with the phenomenon of vanishing moments
- The FT of the wavelet equation

$$\widehat{\psi}(s) = m_1(s/2) \cdot \widehat{\phi}(s/2)$$

can be differentiated repeatedly, giving

$$m_0^{(k)}(1/2) = 0 \quad (0 \leq k < N)$$

as a statement equivalent to

$\psi(t)$ has N vanishing moments

- Taking the FT of the scaling identity

$$\widehat{\phi}(s) = m_0(s/2) \cdot \widehat{\phi}(s/2)$$

and differentiating it repeatedly gives

$$\widehat{\phi}^{(k)}(m) = 0 \quad \begin{cases} 0 \leq k < N \\ m \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \end{cases}$$

The consequences of a wavelet function $\psi(t)$ having N vanishing moments can be made precise:

- Theorem

If $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ has compact support and N vanishing moments, then for each $f \in \mathcal{C}^N(\mathbb{R})$ with $f^{(N)}$ bounded there exists a constant $C = C(N, f)$ s.th.

$$|\langle f | \psi_{j,k} \rangle| \leq C \cdot 2^{-jN} \cdot 2^{-j/2} \quad (j, k \in \mathbb{Z})$$

- This quantitative statement should be read qualitatively as:
Wavelet coefficients belonging to regions where f is smooth tend to be very small over many levels of resolution!
- The proof is by using a Taylor expansion of $f(t)$ in the region where $\psi_{j,k}$ is nonzero — see the Lecture Notes

D_4 as an example

- The wavelet function $\psi(t)$ of the Daubechies D_4 filter has $N = 2$ vanishing moments
- One has

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \psi(t) dt = 0, \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} t \psi(t) dt = 0, \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}} t^2 \psi(t) dt = -\frac{1}{8} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}}.$$

- For $f \in \mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R})$, by taking the support of $\psi(t)$ into account,

$$\langle f | \psi_{j,k} \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) 2^{j/2} \psi(2^j t - k) dt = \int_0^{3 \cdot 2^{-j}} f(t + 2^{-j} k) 2^{j/2} \psi(2^j t) dt$$

- Expanding $f(t)$ at $t + 2^{-j} k$ in a Taylor series gives

$$\langle f | \psi_{j,k} \rangle \approx -\frac{1}{16} \sqrt{\frac{3}{2\pi}} 2^{-5j/2} f''(2^{-j} k),$$

with equality (instead of \approx) if f is a constant, linear or quadratic polynomial

- In particular: all wavelet coefficients $\langle f | \psi_{j,k} \rangle$ vanish for regions where f is linear

Wrapping things up:

- Theorem

If $\phi(t)$ resp. $\psi(t)$ are scaling resp. wavelet functions of an MRA, $\mathbf{h} = (h_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$ the scaling filter and $m_0(s)$ its Fourier series, then the following statements are equivalent:

- ψ has N vanishing moments:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} t^k \psi(t) dt = 0 \quad (0 \leq k < N)$$

- The filter $\mathbf{h} = (h_n)$ satisfies N low-pass conditions

$$m_0^{(k)}(1/2) = 0 \quad (0 \leq k < N)$$

- The Fourier series $m_0(s)$ of $\mathbf{h} = (h_n)$ can be factored:

$$m_0(s) = \left(\frac{1 + e^{-2\pi i s}}{2} \right)^N L(s)$$

where $L(s)$ is a period-1 trigonometric polynomial

- The QMF $\mathbf{h} = (h_n)$ satisfies the N moment conditions

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (-1)^n h_n n^k = 0 \quad (0 \leq k < N)$$