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#### Abstract

The symmetric dual filters are essential for the construction of biorthogonal multiresolution analyses and wavelets. We propose an algorithm to seek for dual symmetric trigonometric filters $\tilde{m}_{0}$ for the given symmetric trigonometric filter $m_{0}$ and illustrate our algorithm by examples.


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## 1 Introduction

Two trigonometric polynomials $m_{0}$ and $\tilde{m}_{0}$ with

$$
\begin{equation*}
m_{0}(0)=\tilde{m}_{0}(0)=1, \quad m_{0}(\pi)=\tilde{m}_{0}(\pi)=0 \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

are called dual filters each other if

$$
\begin{equation*}
\overline{m_{0}(\cdot)} \tilde{m}_{0}(\cdot)+\overline{m_{0}(\cdot+\pi)} \tilde{m}_{0}(\cdot+\pi)=1 \tag{1.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

A pair of dual filters are used as a pair of analysis filter and synthesis filter in signal processing. Also they are essential to construct biorthogonal multiresolution analyses and biorhogonal wavelets.

[^0]Let us recall how to construct pairs of biorthogonal scaling functions $(\varphi, \tilde{\varphi})$ and biorthogonal wavelets $(\psi, \tilde{\psi})$ from a pair of dual filters $\left(m_{0}, \tilde{m}_{0}\right)$. Let $m_{0}$ and $\tilde{m}_{0}$ be trigonometric filters with

$$
\begin{equation*}
m_{0}(0)=\tilde{m}_{0}(0)=1, \quad m_{0}(\pi)=\tilde{m}_{0}(\pi)=0 \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

We define the scaling functions $\varphi$ and $\tilde{\varphi}$ in terms of their Fourier transforms as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\hat{\varphi}(\xi):=\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} m_{0}\left(2^{-j} \xi\right), \quad \hat{\tilde{\varphi}}(\xi):=\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \tilde{m}_{0}\left(2^{-j} \xi\right) \tag{1.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

These infinite products in (1.4) converge absolutely and uniformly on compact sets and are the Fourier transforms of compactly supported functions or distributions $\varphi$ and $\tilde{\varphi}$ with their support widths given by the filter lengths $[4,5,6]$. A necessary condition for $\varphi$ and $\tilde{\varphi}$ to satisfy the duality condition in $L^{2}(\mathbb{R})$, i.e.

$$
\begin{equation*}
\langle\varphi, \tilde{\varphi}(\cdot-\ell)\rangle=\delta_{0, \ell}, \quad \ell \in \mathbb{Z} \tag{1.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

is the duality condition (1.2). The duality condition (1.2) with Cohen condition [1, 4] is also sufficient for (1.5).

Given a pair of dual scaling functions $\varphi$ and $\tilde{\varphi}$ with their associated filters $m_{0}(\xi)$ and $\tilde{m}_{0}(\xi)$, the functions $\psi$ and $\tilde{\psi}$ are defined via the relation

$$
\hat{\psi}(\xi)=m_{1}(\xi / 2) \hat{\varphi}(\xi / 2), \quad \hat{\tilde{\psi}}(\xi)=\tilde{m}_{1}(\xi / 2) \hat{\tilde{\varphi}}(\xi / 2)
$$

where $m_{1}(\xi)=e^{-i \xi} \overline{\tilde{m}_{0}(\xi+\pi)}, \quad \tilde{m}_{1}(\xi)=e^{-i \xi} \overline{m_{0}(\xi+\pi)}$. A sufficient condition for $\psi$ and $\tilde{\psi}$ to be biorthogonal wavelets is found in [4].

In applications, such as image processing, symmetric filters are widely used, since they make it easier to deal with the boundaries of the image [5]. Cohen, Daubechies and Feauveau [4] found a necessary and sufficient condition for the dual filters $m_{0}$ and $\tilde{m}_{0}$, which are symmetric, i.e., $m_{0}(\xi)=m_{0}(-\xi)$ and $\tilde{m}_{0}(\xi)=\tilde{m}_{0}(-\xi)$. Han proposed the construction by cosets (CBC) algorithm to construct the dual filters, which are interpolatory [7]. Given a pair of dual filters, this algorithm was further generalized to the construction of a family of another dual filters with arbitrary vanishing moments $[2,8,9]$. In this paper, we propose a simple algorithm constructing general symmetric dual filters. The material here is an elaborated version of some part of the thesis [11] of the third author under the supervision of the first author.

We conclude the introduction by stating a result from [4]; it will form the basis for the algorithm in this paper:

Proposition 1.1 Suppose that $m_{0}$ and $\tilde{m}_{0}$ are symmetric trigonometric filters with real coefficients satisfying Condition (1.3). Then the following hold:
(a) Both filters $m_{0}$ and $\tilde{m}_{0}$ can be written as

$$
\begin{equation*}
m_{0}(\xi)=\left(\cos ^{2} \frac{\xi}{2}\right)^{\ell} P\left(\sin ^{2} \frac{\xi}{2}\right), \quad \tilde{m}_{0}(\xi)=\left(\cos ^{2} \frac{\xi}{2} \tilde{\ell} \tilde{P}\left(\sin ^{2} \frac{\xi}{2}\right)\right. \tag{1.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $P$ and $\tilde{P}$ are polynomials with $P(1) \neq 0 \neq \tilde{P}(1)$ and $\ell, \tilde{\ell} \in \mathbb{N}$;
(b) Condition (1.2) is equivalent to

$$
\begin{equation*}
P(y) \tilde{P}(y)=P_{N}(y)+y^{N} R\left(y-\frac{1}{2}\right), \tag{1.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $N:=\ell+\tilde{\ell}, R$ is an odd polynomial and

$$
\begin{equation*}
P_{N}(y):=\sum_{k=0}^{N-1}\binom{N-1+k}{k} y^{k} . \tag{1.8}
\end{equation*}
$$

## 2 Algorithm

In this section, we propose an algorithm to seek for $\tilde{P}$ from $P$ so that $P$ and $\tilde{P}$ satisfy (1.7). That is, an algorithm to seek for $\tilde{m}_{0}$ from $m_{0}$ so that $m_{0}$ and $\tilde{m}_{0}$ be dual to each other, i.e., (1.2) be satisfied.

Suppose $m_{0}$ is a symmetric trigonometric polynomial satisfying (1.3). From Proposition 1.1 (a), there exist $\ell \geq 1$ and a polynomial $P$ such that

$$
m_{0}(\xi)=\left(\cos ^{2} \frac{\xi}{2}\right)^{\ell} P\left(\sin ^{2} \frac{\xi}{2}\right) .
$$

Fix $\tilde{\ell} \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e., we will find $\tilde{m}_{0}$ in the form

$$
\tilde{m}_{0}(w)=\left(\cos ^{2} \frac{w}{2}\right)^{\tilde{Q}} \tilde{P}\left(\sin ^{2} \frac{w}{2}\right)
$$

satisfying (1.7). From a long division $P_{N}$ by $P$, we can find polynomials $Q$ and $S$ with $\operatorname{deg} Q<N$ so that

$$
\begin{equation*}
P(y) Q(y)=P_{N}(y)+y^{N} S(y) . \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Note that such $Q$ is unique. In fact, suppose that $Q_{1}$ and $Q_{2}$ with $\operatorname{deg} Q_{1}<N$ and $\operatorname{deg} Q_{2}<N$ both satisfy (2.1). Then, for some $S_{1}$ and $S_{2}$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& P(y) Q_{1}(y)=P_{N}(y)+y^{N} S_{1}(y) ; \\
& P(y) Q_{2}(y)=P_{N}(y)+y^{N} S_{2}(y) .
\end{aligned}
$$

The difference of these two equations lead to

$$
P(y)\left\{Q_{1}(y)-Q_{2}(y)\right\}=y^{N}\left\{S_{1}(y)-S_{2}(y)\right\}
$$

Since $P(0)=1 \neq 0$ by (1.3), we have either $Q_{1} \equiv Q_{2}$ or $\operatorname{deg}\left(Q_{1}-Q_{2}\right) \geq N$. Since $\operatorname{deg} Q_{1}<N$ and $\operatorname{deg} Q_{2}<N, Q_{1} \equiv Q_{2}$.

For any polynomial $F$, we note that (2.1) is equivalent to

$$
\begin{equation*}
P(y)\left\{Q(y)+y^{N} F(y)\right\}=P_{N}(y)+y^{N}\{S(y)+P(y) F(y)\} \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Lemma 2.1 Define $P, S, P_{N}$ as in (1.8) and (2.1). If $P(0) \neq 0$, then the following statements are equivalent:
(a) There exists an odd polynomial $R$ such that $P_{N}(y)+y^{N} R(y-1 / 2)$ can be divisible by $P$.
(b) There exists a polynomial $F$ such that $S(y)+P(y) F(y)$ is antisymmetric about 1/2

In this case, we can choose

$$
\begin{equation*}
R(y)=S(y+1 / 2)+P(y+1 / 2) F(y+1 / 2) \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Proof. (a) $\Leftarrow(\mathrm{b})$ : It is trivial by the choice of $R$ as in (2.3) and by the use of (2.2).
$(\mathrm{a}) \Rightarrow(\mathrm{b})$ : Suppose that there exists an odd polynomial $R$ such that $P_{N}(y)+y^{N} R(y-1 / 2)$ is divisible by $P$, i.e., there is a polynomial $\tilde{P}$ satisfying Condition (1.7). The difference of Equations (1.7) and (2.1) leads to

$$
\begin{equation*}
P(y)\{\tilde{P}(y)-Q(y)\}=y^{N}\{R(y-1 / 2)-S(y)\} \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $P(0) \neq 0$, there exists a polynomial $F$ such that

$$
\tilde{P}(y)-Q(y)=y^{N} F(y)
$$

Substituting this equation into (2.4) leads

$$
R(y-1 / 2)=S(y)+P(y) F(y)
$$

The oddness of $R$ implies that

$$
S(y)+P(y) F(y)+S(1-y)+P(1-y) F(1-y)=0
$$

which shows that $S(y)+P(y) F(y)$ is antisymmetric about $1 / 2$.

By Lemma 2.1, we are going to seek for the polynomial $F$ so that $R$, defined as in (2.3), be an odd polynomial. Then the polynomial $\tilde{P}$, defined by $\tilde{P}(y):=Q(y)+y^{N} F(y)$, will satisfy Condition (1.7). Let $N_{A}$ denote the degree of a polynomial $A$. Expanding $F$, $P$ and $S$ as the Taylor polynomials at $y=1 / 2$, we write

$$
\begin{aligned}
& F(y)=\sum_{n=0}^{N_{F}} f_{n}(y-1 / 2)^{n} \\
& P(y)=\sum_{n=0}^{N_{P}} p_{n}(y-1 / 2)^{n} \\
& S(y)=\sum_{n=0}^{N_{S}} s_{n}(y-1 / 2)^{n}
\end{aligned}
$$

Then

$$
R(y)=\sum_{n=0}^{N_{S}} s_{n} y^{n}+\sum_{k=0}^{N_{F}+N_{P}}(p * f)_{k} y^{k}
$$

where $f:=\left(f_{k}\right)_{k=0}^{N_{F}}, p:=\left(p_{k}\right)_{k=0}^{N_{P}}$. In order for $R$ to be an odd polynomial, its even coefficients must vanish, i.e.,

$$
(p * f)(2 k)= \begin{cases}-s_{2 k} & 0 \leq 2 k \leq N_{S}  \tag{2.5}\\ 0 & N_{S}<2 k<N_{P}+N_{F}\end{cases}
$$

We note that $N_{P}+N_{F}$ is odd. By taking $N_{F}=0$ if $N_{p}$ is odd; $N_{F}=1$ otherwise, we obtain the filter $\tilde{m}_{0}$ of shortest length. Equation (2.5) can be written in the matrix form

$$
\begin{equation*}
P f=-s \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
\boldsymbol{f} & :=\left(\begin{array}{lllll}
f_{0} & f_{1} & f_{2} & \cdots & f_{N_{F}}
\end{array}\right)^{T} \\
\boldsymbol{s} & :=\left(\begin{array}{lllll}
s_{0} & s_{2} & s_{4} & \cdots & s_{\left(N_{P}+N_{F}-1\right)}
\end{array}\right)^{T} \\
\boldsymbol{P} & :=\left(\begin{array}{lll}
p_{2 i-j-1}
\end{array}\right)_{1 \leq i \leq\left(N_{P}+N_{F}+1\right) / 2,1 \leq j \leq N_{F}+1}
\end{aligned}
$$

Note that the size of $\boldsymbol{P}$ is $\left(N_{P}+N_{F}+1\right) / 2 \times\left(N_{2}+1\right)$. If $N_{F} \leq N_{P}-1$, then this system is not overdetermined. Hence, for $\boldsymbol{s} \in \operatorname{ran} \boldsymbol{P}$, we have a solution $\boldsymbol{f}$ of Equation (2.6) and so a solution $F$ of (2.3) producing an odd polynomial in (2.3).

We summarize the above discussion as an algorithm for constructing a dual filter $\tilde{m}_{0}$ for a given $m_{0}$ as follows:

Algorithm 2.2 1. Determine $P(y)$ from $m_{0}$ in (1.6);
2. Choose the regularity parameter $\tilde{\ell}$ of the dual filter $\tilde{m}_{0}$, which determine $N$ in $P_{N}$;
3. Determine $Q$ and $S$ from $P$ and $P_{N}$ in (2.1);
4. If $S(y-1 / 2)$ is an odd polynomial, then we set $\tilde{P}:=Q$;
5. Otherwise choose $N_{F}$ with $N_{F} \leq N_{P}-1$ and solve the matrix equation (2.6);
6. Set $\tilde{P}(y):=Q(y)+y^{N} F(y)$. Then a dual filter $\tilde{m}_{0}$ is determined by the equation (1.6).

We now illustrate our algorithm by examples. The examples below recover the biorthogonal dual filters in [10].

Example 2.3 Consider the quasi-interpolatory filter $m_{0}(\xi)$ of order 1 defined by

$$
m_{0}(\xi)=(1-y)(1-8 \omega y), \quad y=\sin ^{2}(\xi / 2),
$$

which yields the scaling function reproducing polynomials. Here $\omega$ is a tension parameter. See [3, 10]. In this case, $P(y)=(1-8 \omega y)$. Fix $\tilde{\ell}=1$. Then $N=2$ and $P_{2}=1+2 y$. From (2.1), we have $Q(y)=1+(2+8 \omega) y, S(y)=-8 \omega(2+8 \omega)$. Since $S(y-1 / 2)$ is not odd, we choose $N_{F}=0$. By solving the matrix equation (2.6), we obtain $F(y)=\frac{8 \omega(2+8 \omega)}{1-4 \omega}$. Hence

$$
\tilde{m}_{0}(\xi)=(1-y) \tilde{P}(y)=(1-y)\left(1+(2+8 \omega) y+y^{2} \frac{8 \omega(2+8 \omega)}{1-4 \omega}\right) .
$$

Example 2.4 Let $m_{0}(\xi)=(1-y)^{2}\left(1+2 y+128 \omega y^{2}\right), y=\sin ^{2}(\xi / 2)$, which is the quasiinterpolatory filter of order 2 . Fix $\tilde{\ell}=2$. Then we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
& P(y)=1+2 y+128 \omega y^{2}=2+32 \omega+(2+128 \omega)(y-1 / 2)+128 \omega(y-1 / 2)^{2} ; \\
& Q(y)=1+2 y+(6-128 \omega) y^{2}+8 y^{3} ; \\
& S(y)=128 \omega(6-128 \omega)+16+1024 \omega y=16+1280 \omega-16384 \omega^{2}+1024 \omega(y-1 / 2) .
\end{aligned}
$$

Choose $N_{F}=0$ if $\omega=0 ; N_{F}=1$ if $\omega \neq 0$. Then

$$
F(y)= \begin{cases}-8, & \text { if } \omega=0 \\ -\frac{8(96 \omega+1)\left(1+80 \omega-1024 \omega^{2}\right)}{(1+16 \omega)(64 \omega+1)}+\frac{512 \omega\left(1+80 \omega-1024 \omega^{2}\right)}{(1+16 \omega)(64 \omega+1)} y, & \text { if } \omega \neq 0\end{cases}
$$

Hence

$$
\tilde{m}_{0}(\xi)= \begin{cases}(1-y)^{2}\left(1+2 y+6 y^{2}+8 y^{3}-8 y^{4}\right), & \text { if } \omega=0 \\ (1-y)^{2}\left(1+2 y+(6-128 \omega) y^{2}+8 y^{3}-\frac{8(96 \omega+1)\left(1+80 \omega-1024 \omega^{2}\right)}{(1+16 \omega)(64 \omega+1)} y^{4}\right. & \\ \left.+\frac{512 \omega\left(1+80 \omega-1024 \omega^{2}\right)}{(1+16 \omega)(64 \omega+1)} y^{5}\right), & \text { if } \omega \neq 0\end{cases}
$$



Figure 1: The functions $\varphi$ [Figure (a)], $\tilde{\varphi}[$ Figure (b)], $\psi$ [Figure (c)] and $\tilde{\psi}$ [Figure (d)] for $w=0$ in Example 2.4.

Figures 1 and 2 indicate the scaling functions $\varphi, \tilde{\varphi}$ and their associated biorthogonal wavelets $\psi, \tilde{\psi}$ for $w=0$ and 0.025 , respectively.

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Figure 2: The functions $\varphi$ [Figure (a)], $\tilde{\varphi}$ [Figure (b)], $\psi$ [Figure (c)] and $\tilde{\psi}$ [Figure (d)] for $w=0.025$ in Example 2.4.
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