WAVELET RATIONAL FILTERS AND REGULARITY ANALYSIS*

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Abstract

In this paper, we choose the trigonometric rational functions as wavelet filters and use them to derive various wavelets. Especially for a certain family of wavelets generated by the rational filters, the better smoothness results than Daubechies' are obtained.

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1. Introduction

We denote by $\phi(x)$ a scaling function which satisfies

$$\phi(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k \phi(2x - k) \quad (Z \text{ is the integer set}). \tag{1}$$

The Fourier transform of equation (1) is

$$\hat{\phi} = H(\omega/2)\hat{\phi}(\omega/2) \tag{2}$$

where $\hat{\phi}(\omega)$ is the Fourier transform of $\phi(x)$ and

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} h_k e^{-ik\omega}.$$

We call $H(\omega)$ a filter. It satisfies

$$H(0) = 1, \quad |H(\omega)|^2 + |H(\omega + \pi)|^2 = 1$$
 (3)

When the expansion coefficient sequence $\{h_k\}$ of $H(\omega)$ is given, the wavelets corresponding to the $H(\omega)$ can be derived. For the $H(\omega)$ which is a trigonometric polynomial (in this case, we call $H(\omega)$ a polynomial filter), Daubechies has given the methods generating wavelets as well as the estimates of regularity^{[1][2]}.

In this paper, we choose $H(\omega)$ to be a trigonometric rational function to generate wavelets and give relative methods and theorems. For I-type rational filters (see the

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second section), they include Daubechies' filters. And for II-type rational filters, they include B spline wavelet filters and have linear phases. Especially for a certain family of wavelets generated by the rational filters, the better smoothness results than Daubechies' are obtained.

2. Rational Filters

For a filter

$$H(\omega) = \left(\frac{1 + e^{-i\omega}}{2}\right)^N F(e^{-i\omega})$$

where $F(e^{-i\omega}) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} f_k e^{-ik\omega}$, Daubechies has given the conditions of existence of wavelets^[1]:

(I)
$$\sup_{\omega \in R} |F(e^{-i\omega})| < 2^{N-1}$$

(II)
$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |f_k| |k|^{\epsilon} < \infty$$
 for a certain $\epsilon > 0$

On the basis of the two conditions, we will study how to construct wavelets by a rational filter.

Definition For a filter $H(\omega) = ((1 + e^{-i\omega})/2)^N F(e^{-i\omega})$, when F(z) is a rational function or the modulus of a rational function, we call $H(\omega)$ a rational filter.

Assume P(z) and Q(z) are relatively prime polynomials with real coefficients. Then $|P(e^{-i\omega})/Q(e^{-i\omega})|$ is a rational function in $\cos\omega$. Riesz' lemma allow us to conclude that there is a real coefficient rational function F(z) such that

$$\mid F(e^{-i\omega})\mid^2 = \mid \frac{P(e^{-i\omega})}{Q(e^{-i\omega})}\mid. \tag{4}$$

Let

$$|F(e^{-i\omega})|^2 = \frac{S(y)}{T(y)}, \quad y = \cos^2 \frac{\omega}{2}$$
 (5)

where S(y) and T(y) are positive polynomials in the intervel [0,1]. For the given S(y) and T(y), the following two types of the rational filters can be determined by (5):

$$H_I(\omega) = (\frac{1 + e^{-i\omega}}{2})^N F(e^{-i\omega}), \qquad H_{II}(\omega) = (\frac{1 + e^{-i\omega}}{2})^N | F(e^{-i\omega}) |.$$

They are respectively called I-type rational filters and II-type rational filters. For II-type rational filters, $H_{II}(-\omega) = e^{iN\omega}H_{II}(\omega)$. This implies that II-type rational filters have linear phases. We have known that the function $F(e^{-i\omega})$ s in the filters of orthogonal B spline wavelets are the moduli of the trigonometric rational functions^[3]. Therefore, the wavelets derived by II-type rational filters can include B spline wavelets.

For a I-type rational filter, we may use power series expansion to obtain sequence $\{h_k\}$. By the property of power series, we know that the condition (II) can be satisfied.