

## ON FAST FOURIER ALGORITHMS

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on his fiftieth birthday*

**Abstract.** In this paper we synthesize the various known *FFT* methods. We show for a number of orthonormed systems, that the *Fourier coefficients*, similar to the *Fast Fourier Transform*, can be computed from a more general algorithm. These orthonormed systems can be represented as *product systems* of other systems which have a certain measurability property. *Fourier synthesis* with respect to such systems can be made by a fast algorithm. The various known *FFT* methods with respect to the one- and multidimensional *trigonometric* and *Walsh* systems are special cases of the method presented here. Moreover fast algorithms for certain biorthogonal expansion are investigated.

### 1. Introduction

Sequences of numbers and functions are usually indexed by natural numbers or integers. In many questions connected with Walsh series and dyadic harmonic analysis or with the *FFT algorithm* it is convenient to use the set of *p - adic intervals* as an index set [15]. That is the set of intervals of the form

$$\mathcal{J}^p := \left\{ \left[ \frac{k}{p^n}, \frac{k+1}{p^n} \right) : k = 0, 1, \dots, p^n - 1, n \in \mathbf{N} \right\},$$

where  $\mathbf{N}$  is the set of non-negative integers and  $p \in \mathbf{N}^\dagger := \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0, 1\}$ . In the case  $p = 2$  the elements of  $\mathcal{J}^p$  are called dyadic intervals and the set in question is simply denoted by  $\mathcal{J}$ . The length of an interval  $I \in \mathcal{J}^p$  is denoted by  $|I|$  and

the  $p$ -adic subintervals of  $I$  of the length  $|I|/p$  are denoted by  $I_0, I_1, \dots, I_{p-1}$ . Let  $I^+$  denote the interval in  $\mathcal{J}^p$  with the length  $p|I|$  containing  $I$  and set

$$\mathcal{J}_n^p := \{I \in \mathcal{J}^p : |I| = p^{-n}\} \quad (n \in \mathbf{N}).$$

Obviously  $(J_j)^+ = J$ . To simplify notation, set  $J_j^+ := (J^+)_j$  for  $J \in \mathcal{J}^p$  and  $j \in \mathbf{P}$ , where

$$(1.0) \quad \mathbf{P} := \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\} \quad (p \in \mathbf{N}^{\neq}).$$

The set of complex-valued sequences indexed by  $\mathcal{J}^p$  is denoted by  $S^p$ :

$$S^p := \{\mathbf{a} = (a_I, I \in \mathcal{J}^p) : a_I \in \mathbf{C} \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}^p)\}.$$

There exist two types of first order difference equations for sequences in  $S^p$ . The *decreasing type (D-type)*, can be given by a sequence of functions  $F_I : \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C} \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}^p)$  as follows:

$$a_I = F_I(a_{I^+}) \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}^p, |I| \leq p^{-1}).$$

Starting from the value  $a_{\{0,1\}}$  the sequence  $(a_I, I \in \mathcal{J}^p)$  is uniquely defined by these recurrence formulas.

To get *increasing difference equations* let us be given a sequence of functions  $G_I : \mathbf{C}^p \rightarrow \mathbf{C} \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}^p)$ . The system of equations

$$a_I = G_I(a_{I_0}, a_{I_1}, \dots, a_{I_{p-1}}) \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}^p)$$

is called a *first order difference equation of increasing type (I-type)*. Let  $N \in \mathbf{N}$  be a fixed number. Starting from the initial values  $a_I \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_N^p)$  we obtain the  $a_I$ 's for  $|I| < p^{-N}$  in  $(p^N - 1)/(p - 1)$  steps.

In algorithms connected with *FFT* we use special double sequences indexed by  $p$ -adic intervals of the form  $(a_{IJ}, (I, J) \in \mathcal{J}^p \times \mathcal{J}^p)$  and recurrence formulas increasing in  $I$  and decreasing in  $J$ . More exactly, for a fixed  $N \in \mathbf{N}$  let us be given a sequence of functions

$$F_{IJ} : \mathbf{C}^p \rightarrow \mathbf{C} \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_{N-n}^p, J \in \mathcal{J}_n^p, n = 1, 2, \dots, N).$$

The system of equations

$$(1.1) \quad a_{IJ} = F_{IJ}(a_{I_0J^+}, a_{I_1J^+}, \dots, a_{I_{p-1}J^+}) \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_{N-n}^p, J \in \mathcal{J}_n^p, n = 1, 2, \dots, N)$$

is called a *first order partial difference equation of ID-type*.

Starting from the initial values

$$(1.2) \quad a_{I[0,1]} \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_N^p)$$

and applying the recurrence formulas (1.1) we get the values

$$(1.3) \quad a_{\{0,1\}J} \quad (J \in \mathcal{J}_N^p)$$

in  $Np^N$  steps. If the number of necessary operations (the cost ) of calculating the functions  $F_{IJ}$  is the same for every  $I, J$  (say  $\alpha$ ) then computing all the values

$$a_{IJ} \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_{N-n}^p, \quad J \in \mathcal{J}_n^p, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N)$$

requires  $Np^N \alpha$  operations.

It is convenient to identify the set  $\mathbf{P}^m$  with the set of numbers  $\mathcal{P}_m := \{0, 1, \dots, p^m - 1\}$  via one of the next two maps. For  $k \in \mathcal{P}_m$  with the  $p$ -adic expansion

$$k = k_0 + k_1p + \dots + k_{m-1}p^{m-1} \quad (k_j \in \mathbf{P})$$

define the map  $\pi_m : \mathcal{P}_m \rightarrow \mathbf{P}^m$  by

$$\pi_m(k) := (k_0, k_1, \dots, k_{m-1})$$

and the inverse of  $\pi_m$  by

$$\pi_{-m}(k) := (k_{m-1}, \dots, k_1, k_0).$$

We identify the index sets in (1.1) with the set  $\mathbf{P}^N$ . To this end for each fixed  $N \in \mathbf{N} \setminus \{0\}$  define the map

$$\theta : \bigcup_{n=0}^N \mathcal{J}_{N-n}^p \times \mathcal{J}_n^p \rightarrow \mathbf{N}^N$$

as follows: For  $I = \left[ \frac{k}{p^{N-n}}, \frac{k+1}{p^{N-n}} \right)$  and  $J = \left[ \frac{\ell}{p^n}, \frac{\ell+1}{p^n} \right)$  let

$$(1.4) \quad \theta(I, J) := (\pi_{-n}(\ell), \pi_{N-n}(k)) = (\ell_{n-1}, \dots, \ell_1, \ell_0, k_0, k_1, \dots, k_{N-n-1}),$$

and for  $n = N$  and  $n = 0$  set

$$(1.5) \quad \theta([0, 1), J) := (\pi_{-N}(\ell)) \quad , \quad \theta(I, [0, 1)) := (\pi_N(k)).$$

It is easy to check for all  $I \in \mathcal{J}_{N-n}^p$ ,  $J \in \mathcal{J}_n^p$  and  $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$  that

$$(1.6) \quad \theta(I_j, J^+) = \theta(I, J_j^+).$$

If  $J \in \mathcal{J}^n$  then  $J = J_j^+$  for some  $j \in \mathbf{P}$  and so via the map  $\theta$  and (1.6) we can store the values of  $a_{IJ} = a_{IJ_j^+}$  obtained from (1.1) into the place of the values  $a_{I, J^+}$  which are used on the right-hand side of (1.1). To store the initial values (1.2) we need  $p^N$  places. Using this method of storage one needs no more space than that allotted for the initial values.

We show that a large class of function systems can be constructed with algorithms of Fourier analysis and Fourier synthesis of the above type [1]-[9].

## 2. Product systems

For the description of the abovementioned algorithm, we use the notion of *conditional expectation* [10], [15].

We begin with the definition and some important properties of conditional expectation. Let  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  be a probability measure space and  $\mathcal{B}$  a sub- $\sigma$ -algebra of  $\mathcal{A}$ . For an arbitrary function  $f \in L^1 := L^1(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  we denote by  $E(f|\mathcal{B})$  the *conditional expectation of  $f$  with respect to  $\mathcal{B}$* . The conditional expectation can be characterized by the following two properties:  $E(f|\mathcal{B})$  is integrable and  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable, i.e.

$$(2.1) \quad E(f|\mathcal{B}) \in L^1(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$$

and for every  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable set  $B$

$$(2.2) \quad \int_B f \, d\mu = \int_B E(f|\mathcal{B}) \, d\mu$$

holds.

By the *Radon-Nikodym theorem*, the function  $E(f|\mathcal{B})$  satisfying the above two properties exists and is unique up to a set of zero  $\mu$ -measure, for any integrable function  $f$ . It is known that the *conditional expectation operator*  $L^1 \ni f \rightarrow E(f|\mathcal{B}) \in L^1(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$  is bounded and linear, moreover for any pair of functions  $\lambda \in L^1(X, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$  and  $f \in L^1$  such that  $\lambda f \in L^1$ , we have

$$(2.3) \quad E(\lambda f|\mathcal{B}) = \lambda E(f|\mathcal{B}).$$

Furthermore, for arbitrary  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  the following equalities hold:

$$(2.4) \quad E(E(f|\mathcal{C})|\mathcal{B}) = E(E(f|\mathcal{B})|\mathcal{C}) = E(f|\mathcal{C}) \quad (f \in L^1).$$

On the basis of (2.1) and (2.2) it is obvious that if  $\mathcal{B} := \{X, \emptyset\}$  is the trivial  $\sigma$ -algebra, then

$$(2.5) \quad E(f|\mathcal{B}) = \int_X f d\mu \quad (\mathcal{B} := \{X, \emptyset\}),$$

i.e. the conditional expectation is a *generalization of the notion of integral* [10]. In the other special case if  $\mathcal{B} = \mathcal{A}$  then  $E(f|\mathcal{B}) = f$ .

Conditional expectation can be used to generalize the concept of orthogonality, biorthogonality, and Fourier coefficients [12]. A system  $\Phi := \{\phi_n : n \in \mathcal{N}\}$  with function in  $L^2 := L^2(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  is called a  $\mathcal{B}$ -*orthonormal system* if for every  $n, m \in \mathcal{N}, m \neq n$

$$E(\phi_m \bar{\phi}_n | \mathcal{B}) = \delta_{mn},$$

where  $\delta_{mn} = 0$  if  $m \neq n$  and  $\delta_{mn} = 1$  if  $m = n$ .

More generally, the systems  $\Phi$  and  $\Upsilon := \{v_n, n \in \mathcal{N}\}$  in  $L^2$  are called  $\mathcal{B}$ -*biorthogonal* if for every  $m, n \in \mathcal{N}$

$$(2.6) \quad E(\phi_m \bar{v}_n | \mathcal{B}) = \delta_{mn}.$$

For any  $f \in L^2$  the  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable functions

$$(2.7) \quad E(f \bar{\phi}_n | \mathcal{B}) \quad (n \in \mathcal{N})$$

are called the  $\mathcal{B}$ -*Fourier coefficients* of  $f$  with respect to the system  $\Phi$ . If  $\mathcal{B} = \{X, \emptyset\}$  then the above definitions reduce to that of usual orthogonality, biorthogonality and Fourier coefficients. Furthermore, by (2.4) and (2.5)

$$\int_X \phi_m \bar{v}_n d\mu = E(E(\phi_m \bar{v}_n | \mathcal{B}) | \{X, \emptyset\}) = \delta_{mn},$$

i.e.  $\mathcal{B}$ -biorthogonal systems are biorthogonal in the usual sense.

A generalization of *Bessel's identity* and the *minimum property* of Fourier coefficients hold for  $\mathcal{B}$ -orthogonal systems (see [12]).

In order to give the general form of *FFT* algorithms we consider systems which are *product systems* of collections with certain measurability properties

(with  $P$  and  $M$  properties) [13]-[15]. Let us be given a finite collection of function systems

$$(2.8) \quad \Phi_n := \{\phi_n^j : j \in \mathbf{P}\} \quad (n \in \mathbf{N}, n < N),$$

where the complex-valued functions  $\phi_n^j$  are defined on  $X$  and  $N = 1, 2, \dots$

We define the *product system*

$$\Psi := \{\psi_m : m \in \mathcal{P}_N\}$$

as follows: for any natural numbers  $m \in \mathcal{P}_N$  represented in the form

$$m = m_0 + m_1 p + \dots + m_{N-1} p^{N-1} \quad (m_n \in \mathbf{P})$$

let

$$(P) \quad \psi_m := \prod_{n=0}^{N-1} \phi_n^{m_n}.$$

If the system  $\Psi$  is of the form (P) we say that  $\Psi$  has the *P-property*.

From (P) it follows that

$$(2.9) \quad \Psi = \Phi_0 \Phi_1 \dots \Phi_{N-1},$$

where the product of the function sets on the right hand side is defined in the usual way.

To define the mentioned *measurability property* we fix a monotone increasing sequence of  $\sigma$ -algebras

$$\mathcal{A}_0 := \{X, \emptyset\} \subseteq \mathcal{A}_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{N-1} \subseteq \mathcal{A}_N = \mathcal{A}$$

and denote the conditional expectation operator with respect to  $\mathcal{A}_n$  by  $E_n$ . We shall say that a collection of systems  $(\Phi_n, n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1)$  has the  *$M_1$ -property* if the functions in  $\Phi_n$  are in  $L^2$  and are  $\mathcal{A}_{n+1}$ -measurable, i.e.

$$(M_1) \quad \Phi_n \subseteq L^2(X, \mathcal{A}_{n+1}, \mu) \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1).$$

If for  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$  the systems  $\Phi_n$  and  $\Upsilon_n$  are  $\mathcal{A}_n$ -biorthogonal, i.e.

$$(M_2) \quad E_n(\phi_n^k \bar{\nu}_n^\ell) = \delta_{k\ell} \quad (k, \ell \in \mathbf{P}, n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1)$$

then we shall say that the systems in question have the  *$M_2$ -property*. The next theorem gives a possibility to construct biorthogonal systems.

**Theorem 1.** *The product system of systems having properties  $M_1$  and  $M_2$  is a biorthogonal system.*

**Proof.** Denote by  $\Psi$  and  $\Gamma$  the product system of the systems  $\Phi_n$  and  $\Upsilon_n$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ ), respectively. If  $k \neq \ell$  then there exists an index  $j \in \{0, 1, \dots, N - 1\}$  such that  $k_j \neq \ell_j$  and  $k_i = \ell_i$  if  $j < i < N$ . Write

$$\psi_k \gamma_\ell = \prod_{i=0}^{j-1} \psi_i^{k_i} \bar{\gamma}_i^{\ell_i} \cdot \psi_j^{k_j} \bar{\gamma}_j^{\ell_j} \cdot \prod_{i=j+1}^{N-1} \psi_i^{k_i} \bar{\gamma}_i^{\ell_i} =: \alpha \beta \gamma$$

and observe by  $(M_1)$  that  $\alpha$  is  $\mathcal{A}_j$ -measurable,  $\beta$  is  $\mathcal{A}_{j+1}$ -measurable and by  $(M_2)$  that  $E_j(\beta) = 0$ . On the basis of  $(M_1)$ ,  $(M_2)$ , (2.3) and (2.4) we get

$$E_{j+1}(\gamma) = E_{j+1}(\phi_{j+1}^{k_{j+1}} \gamma_{j+1}^{k_{j+1}} E_{j+2}(\dots E_{N-1}(\phi_{N-1}^{k_{N-1}} \gamma_{N-1}^{k_{N-1}}) \dots)) = 1.$$

Consequently using (2.3) and (2.4) we get

$$\int_X \psi_k \gamma_\ell d\mu = E_0(\alpha E_j(\beta E_{j+1}(\gamma))) = 0.$$

A similar argument shows that the integral in question is 1 if  $k = \ell$ .

It is important that *properties  $P$  and  $M_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) are invariant with respect the Kronecker product.* Indeed, denote by

$$(f \times g)(x, y) := f(x) g(y) \quad (x \in X, y \in Y)$$

the Kronecker product of the function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  and  $g : Y \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$ . For the two collections of functions  $F := \{f_n : n \in \mathcal{N}\}$  and  $G := \{g_m : m \in \mathcal{M}\}$  defined on  $X$  and  $Y$ , respectively, we define the Kronecker product by

$$F \times G := \{f_n \times g_m : n \in \mathcal{N}, m \in \mathcal{M}\}.$$

Suppose that for  $j = 1, 2$  the systems  $\Psi^j$  are the product systems of the collections  $\Phi_n^j$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ ), i.e. via (2.9) we have

$$\Psi^j = \Phi_0^j \Phi_1^j \dots \Phi_{N-1}^j \quad (j = 1, 2).$$

It is easy to check that

$$\Psi^1 \times \Psi^2 = (\Phi_0^1 \times \Phi_0^2) (\Phi_1^1 \times \Phi_1^2) \dots (\Phi_{N-1}^1 \times \Phi_{N-1}^2)$$

and consequently  $\Psi^1 \times \Psi^2$  is the product system of the systems  $\Phi_n^1 \times \Phi_n^2$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ ), i.e. *the Kronecker product of systems having the P-property, has also this property.*

To prove the invariance of the  $M$ -properties, suppose that they are satisfied for the systems  $\Phi_n^j$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ ) with the  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\mathcal{A}_n^j$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ ). Then it is easy to see that for the collection  $\Phi_n^1 \times \Phi_n^2$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ ),  $M1$  and  $M2$  is satisfied with respect the collection of  $\sigma$ -algebras

$$\mathcal{A}_0^1 \times \mathcal{A}_0^2 \subseteq \mathcal{A}_1^1 \times \mathcal{A}_1^2 \subseteq \dots \subseteq \mathcal{A}_{N-1}^1 \times \mathcal{A}_{N-1}^2.$$

### 3. Fourier analysis and synthesis

The Fourier coefficients of  $f \in L^2$  with respect to the product system  $\Psi$  can be written in the form

$$(3.1) \quad \hat{f}(m) := \int_X f \bar{\psi}_m d\mu = E_0(\bar{\phi}_0^{m_0} E_1(\bar{\phi}_1^{m_1} \dots E_{N-2}(\bar{\phi}_{N-2}^{m_{N-2}} E_{N-1}(\bar{\phi}_{N-1}^{m_{N-1}} f) \dots))).$$

That is a consequence of the properties  $P$  and  $M_1$  of the systems  $\Phi_n$ 's (compare (2.3) and (2.4)) [13].

Using (3.1), we can compute the Fourier coefficients of the functions  $f \in L^2$  with respect to  $\Psi$  in the following way: first calculate the  $\mathcal{A}_{N-1}$ -Fourier coefficients of the  $\mathcal{A}_n$ -measurable  $f$  with respect to  $\Phi_{N-1}$  (there are  $p$  of them), then the  $\mathcal{A}_{N-2}$ -Fourier coefficients of each  $\mathcal{A}_{N-1}$ -measurable function just obtained. Writing down the  $\mathcal{A}_{N-3}$ -Fourier coefficients of the ( $\mathcal{A}_{N-2}$ -measurable,  $p^2$ ) functions with respect to the system  $\Phi_{N-3}$ , obviously we get  $p^3$  functions, each being  $\mathcal{A}_{N-2}$ -measurable. Continuing this procedure, we obtain the  $p^N$  Fourier coefficients  $\hat{f}(m)$  at the  $N$ -th step.

For every  $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$  the set of functions

$$\Phi_{N-n} \Phi_{N-n+1} \dots \Phi_{N-1}$$

has  $p^n$  elements which can be indexed by the intervals in  $\mathcal{J}_n^p$ . It is convenient to do this in the following way: For each interval  $J = \left[ \frac{m}{p^n}, \frac{m+1}{p^n} \right) \in \mathcal{J}_n^p$  we set

$$\psi_J := \phi_{N-n}^{m_{n-1}} \phi_{N-n+1}^{m_{n-2}} \dots \phi_{N-1}^{m_0},$$



where the  $m_j$ 's are the reverse digits of  $m$ , i.e.  $m = m_{n-1} + m_{n-2}p + \dots + m_0p^{n-1}$ . The  $M_1$ -property, (2.3) and (2.4) imply

$$E_{N-n}(f\bar{\psi}_J) = E_{N-n}(\bar{\phi}_{N-n}^{m_{n-1}} E_{N-n+1}(f\bar{\psi}_{J+}))$$

and

$$(3.2) \quad \hat{f}(m) = E_0(f\bar{\psi}_J)$$

$$\left( J = \left[ \frac{m}{p^N}, \frac{m+1}{p^N} \right), m = m_{N-1} + m_{N-2}p + \dots + m_0p^{N-1} \right).$$

Obviously  $m_{n-1} = \ell$  if and only if  $J_\ell^+ = J$  and consequently

$$(3.3) \quad E_{N-n}(f\bar{\psi}_J) = E_{N-n}(\bar{\phi}_{N-n}^\ell E_{N-n+1}(f\bar{\psi}_{J+}))$$

$$(J \in \mathcal{J}_n^p, J_\ell^+ = J, n = 1, 2, \dots, N).$$

To get an algorithm of the form (1.1) we choose a special kind of  $\sigma$ -algebras. We suppose that the  $\sigma$ -algebras in question are atomic and every atom of  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is the union of  $p$  atoms, belonging to  $\mathcal{A}_{n+1}$ . In this case the Boolean structure of the collection of  $\sigma$ -algebras is the same as that of  $p$ -adic intervals, which will be called  $p$ -atomic structure. Therefore it is convenient to index the atoms of  $\mathcal{A}_n$  by the intervals of  $\mathcal{J}_n^p$ . Using this identification, the conditional expectation of an  $\mathcal{A}_{n+1}$ -measurable function  $g$  with respect to  $\mathcal{A}_n$  can be expressed in the form

$$(3.4) \quad (E_n(g))_J = \sum_{I \in \mathcal{J}_{n+1}^p, I \subset J} g_I \rho_I \quad (J \in \mathcal{A}_n^p),$$

where  $g_I$  is the value of  $g$  on the atom indexed by  $I$  and  $\rho_I$  is the  $\mu$ -measure of this atom in question.

According to (1.1) it is convenient to denote the value of the function  $E_{N-n}(f\bar{\psi}_J)$  at the atom  $I$  by  $\hat{f}_{IJ}$ . Then (3.4) implies that (3.3) is equivalent to

$$(3.5) \quad \hat{f}_{IJ} = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \hat{f}_{I, J+} \bar{\phi}_{N-n}^\ell(I_j) \rho_{I_j}, \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_{N-n}^p, J \in \mathcal{J}_n^p, n = 1, 2, \dots, N)$$

where  $\bar{\phi}_{N-n}^\ell(I_j)$  denotes the (common) value of the function  $\phi_{N-n}^\ell$  at the points of the atom indexed by  $I_j$ . Thus we get

**Theorem 2.** *Suppose that the collection of  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\mathcal{A}_n, n = 0, 1, \dots, N$  has a  $p$ -atomic structure and for the systems  $\Phi_n, n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$  ( $M_1$ ) satisfies. Then the Fourier coefficients with respect to the product system  $\Psi$  can be obtained as the solution of the following initial value problem with respect to the linear partial difference equation of ID-type:*

$$\hat{f}_{IJ} = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} \alpha_{IJ}^j \hat{f}_{I, J^+} \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_{N-n}^p, J \in \mathcal{J}_n^p, n = 1, 2, \dots, N)$$

where

$$\alpha_{IJ}^j := \overline{\phi}_{N-n}^t(I_j) \rho_{I_j}, \quad (J = J_t^+).$$

Starting with the function values

$$\hat{f}_{I(0,1)} := f_I \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_N^p)$$

we get the Fourier coefficients in (3.4):

$$\hat{f}(m) = \hat{f}_{J(0,1)} \quad (J \in \mathcal{J}_N^p).$$

To compute the sum

$$(3.6) \quad S = \sum_{k \in \mathcal{P}_N} a_k \psi_k,$$

i.e. make *Fourier synthesis*, we introduce the notations

$$(3.7) \quad S_{I(0,1)} := a_i \quad \left( I = \left[ \frac{i}{p^N}, \frac{i+1}{p^N} \right), i \in \mathcal{P}_N \right).$$

Obviously the  $S_{I(0,1)}$ 's are  $\mathcal{A}_0$ -measurable. Using recursion, we define

$$S_I := \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} S_{I, \phi_{n-1}^j} \quad (I \in \mathcal{J}_{N-n}^p, n = 1, 2, \dots, N).$$

If the collection of systems  $\Phi_n$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ ) has the  $M_1$ -property then  $I \in \mathcal{A}_{N-n}^p$  implies the  $\mathcal{A}_n$ -measurability of  $S_I$  for  $n = 1, 2, \dots, N$ . If we denote the value of  $S_I$  at the atom  $J \in \mathcal{J}_n^p$  by  $S_{IJ}$  then we get the following recurrence of ID-type:

$$(3.8) \quad S_{IJ} = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} S_{I, J^+ \phi_{n-1}^j}(J) \quad (I \in \mathcal{A}_{N-n}^p, J \in \mathcal{A}_n^p, n = 1, 2, \dots, N).$$

It is easy to see that  $S_{[0,1]J}$  is the value of  $S$  at the atom corresponding to  $J \in \mathcal{J}_N^p$ .

**Theorem 3.** *Suppose that for the systems  $\Phi_n, n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$  ( $M_1$ ) is satisfied. Then the partial sum  $S$  in (3.6) with respect to the product system  $\Psi$  can be obtained as the solution of the an initial value problem with respect the linear partial difference equation of ID-type (3.8). The initial values are given by (3.7) and the value of  $S$  at the atom corresponding to  $J$  is  $S_{[0,1]J}$ .*

#### 4. Examples

By a suitable choice of the system  $\Phi_n$  and the  $\sigma$ -algebras, we can obtain every known *FFT method*. In what follows, we present some of them.

**4.1. Independent systems.** Suppose that the systems  $\Phi_n \subset L^2$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1$ ) are independent and orthonormed in the usual sense in  $L^2$ . Let  $\mathcal{A}_0 = \{X, \emptyset\}$  and let  $\mathcal{A}_n$  denote the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the systems  $\Phi_j$  ( $j = 0, 1, \dots, n - 1$ ). Since in this case

$$E_n(\phi_n^k \bar{\phi}_n^\ell) = \int_X \phi_n^k \bar{\phi}_n^\ell d\mu = \delta_{k\ell},$$

( $M_1$ ) and ( $M_2$ ) are satisfied and (1.1) can be applied to the product system, provided that  $\mathcal{A}$  has a  $p$ -atomic structure [13].

Let us examine the following special cases.

**4.2. Walsh-Paley system.** Let  $X := [0, 1)$  and let  $r_n$  denote the  $n$ -th *Rademacher function* ( $n = 0, 1, \dots$ ). If  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the dyadic intervals of  $\mathcal{J}_n$ , then conditons ( $M_1$ ) and ( $M_2$ ) are satisfied for the systems  $\Phi_n := \{1, r_n\}$ . The product system of these systems is *the Walsh system in Paley's ordering* [11]. Thus algorithm (1.1) can be applied for the Walsh-Paley system and it is known as the *Fast Walsh Transform* algorithm [1].

**4.3. Walsh system.** The *original Walsh system* (see [15]) can be obtained as product system of the systems

$$\Phi_0 := \{1, r_0\}, \quad \Phi_n := \{1, r_n r_{n-1}\} \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Obviously, if  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is the same as before, than ( $M_1$ ) and ( $M_2$ ) is satisfied and the method (1.1) is usable.

**4.4. Walsh-Kaczmarz system, Hadamard transform.** Fix  $N \in \mathbf{N}^1$  and denote  $\Phi_n := \{1, r_{N-n-1}\}$  ( $n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ ). These systems are independent, the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}_N$  is generated by the intervals in  $\mathcal{J}_N$  and we get a special case of the example in 4.1. The Fourier transform with respect to this system is the same as the *Hadamard transform* [15].

**4.5. Multiple Walsh systems.** On the basis of the previous sections the multiple Walsh systems (corresponding to the Paley, the original or the Kaczmarz ordering) are product systems for which  $(M_1)$  and  $(M_2)$  are satisfied. Consequently, (1.1) can be used in multiple Walsh analysis and synthesis.

**4.6. Chrestenson systems.** It is easy to check that *Chrestenson systems* are special cases of systems considered in 4.1 with  $\sigma$ -algebras, having  $p$ -adic structure [15].

**4.7. The trigonometric systems.** Let

$$e_n(x) := \exp(2\pi i n x) \quad (x \in [0, 1), n \in \mathbf{N}, i := \sqrt{-1})$$

denote the complex trigonometric system. This system is orthonormed with respect to the Lebesgue measure on  $[0, 1)$ . The discrete trigonometric system can be obtained as the restriction of the functions  $e_n$  ( $n \in \mathcal{P}_N$ ) to the set

$$X := \left\{ \frac{k}{2^N} : k \in \mathcal{P}_N \right\}$$

and it is an orthonormed system with respect the measure  $\mu$  defined by  $\mu(\{x\}) := 2^{-N}$  ( $x \in X$ ). The product system of the systems

$$(4.1) \quad \Phi_n := \{1, e_{2^{N-n-1}}\} \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1)$$

is an arrangement of the system  $(e_n, n \in \mathcal{P}_N)$ .

Indeed, let  $\bar{m} := m_{N-1} + m_{N-2}2 + \dots + m_0 2^{N-1}$  denote the reverse of  $m := m_0 + m_1 2 + \dots + m_{N-1} 2^{N-1} \in \mathcal{P}_N$ . Since

$$e_{2^{N-1}}^{m_0} e_{2^{N-2}}^{m_1} \dots e_{2^0}^{m_{N-1}} = e^{m_0 2^{N-1} + m_1 2^{N-2} + \dots + m_{N-1}} = e_{\bar{m}},$$

therefore the product system of the systems in (4.1) is  $(e_{\bar{m}}, m \in \mathcal{P}_N)$ .

We show that  $(M_1)$  and  $(M_2)$  are satisfied. For  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N$  let  $\mathcal{A}_n$  denote the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the atoms  $A_n^k$  ( $k \in \mathcal{P}_n$ ), where

$$A_n^k := \left\{ \frac{k}{2^N} + \frac{\ell}{2^{N-n}} : \ell \in \mathcal{P}_{N-n} \right\}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$A_{n+1}^k \cup A_{n+1}^{2^n+k} = A_n^k \quad (k \in \mathcal{P}_n, n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1),$$

i.e. the collection  $(\mathcal{A}_n, n = 0, 1, \dots, N)$  has a dyadic atomic structure. Since  $e_{2^{N-n-1}}$  is constant on the atoms of  $\mathcal{A}_{n+1}$  the condition  $(M_1)$  is satisfied. Moreover, from

$$e_{2^{N-n-1}}(A_{n+1}^k) = -e_{2^{N-n-1}}(A_{n+1}^{2^n+k}) \quad (n = 0, 1, \dots, N-1)$$

it follows that  $(M_2)$  holds. Thus algorithm (1.1) can be applied for the discrete trigonometric system and it is known as the *FFT algorithm of Cooley and Tukey* [5].

**4.8. The multiple trigonometric systems.** On the basis of Section 2 the multiple trigonometric system (corresponding to the reverse ordering) is a product system for which  $(M_1)$  and  $(M_2)$  are satisfied. Consequently (1.1) gives a fast algorithm for trigonometric multiple Fourier analysis and synthesis.

Other examples can be found in [13] and [14].

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