

# Wavelet Transform and its relation to multirate filter banks

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# Outline

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## *Wavelet – Transformation*

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- Orthonormal Basis
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# • SHORT-Time FOURIER TRANSF.

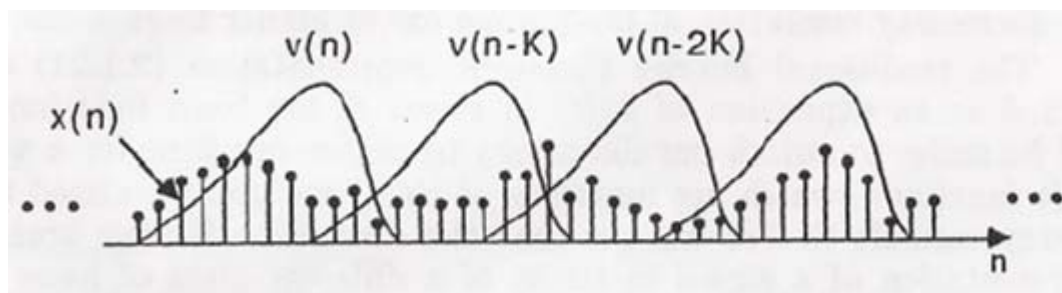


figure 1: STFT processing in time

*time – frequency plot = Spectrogram*

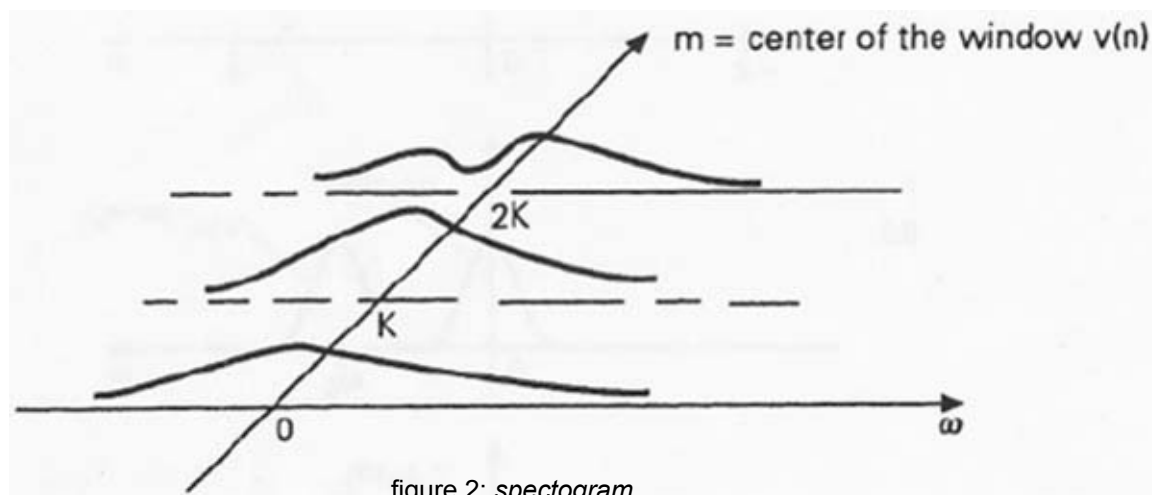


figure 2: spectrogram

Definition:

$$X_{STFT}(e^{j\omega}, m) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)v(n-m)e^{-j\omega n}$$

*m . . . time shift – variable*

*( typically an integer multiple of some fixed integer K)*

*$\omega$  . . . frequency – variable  $-\pi \leq \omega < \pi$*

- *Interpretation using Bandpass Filters*

## Traditional Fourier Transform as a Filter Bank

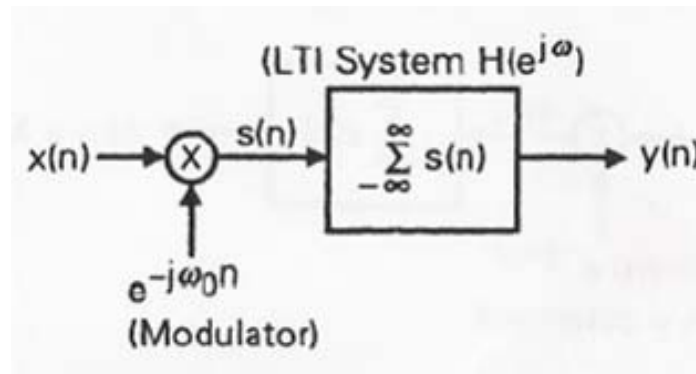


figure 3: Representation of FT in terms of a linear system

1. Modulator  $e^{-j\omega_0 n}$  :  $\rightarrow$  performs a frequency shift

2. LTI – System  $H(e^{j\omega})$  :  $\rightarrow$  ideal lowpass filter

Why is  $H(e^{j\omega})$  an ideal lowpass filter ?

Impulse Response  $h(n) = 1$  for all  $n$

$$\rightarrow H(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h(n)e^{-j\omega n} = 2\pi\delta_a(\omega) \quad -\pi \leq \omega < \pi$$

→ only zero - frequency passes

→ every other frequency is completely suppressed

$$y(n) = X(e^{j\omega_0}) \quad \text{for all } n$$

## STFT as a Bank of Filters

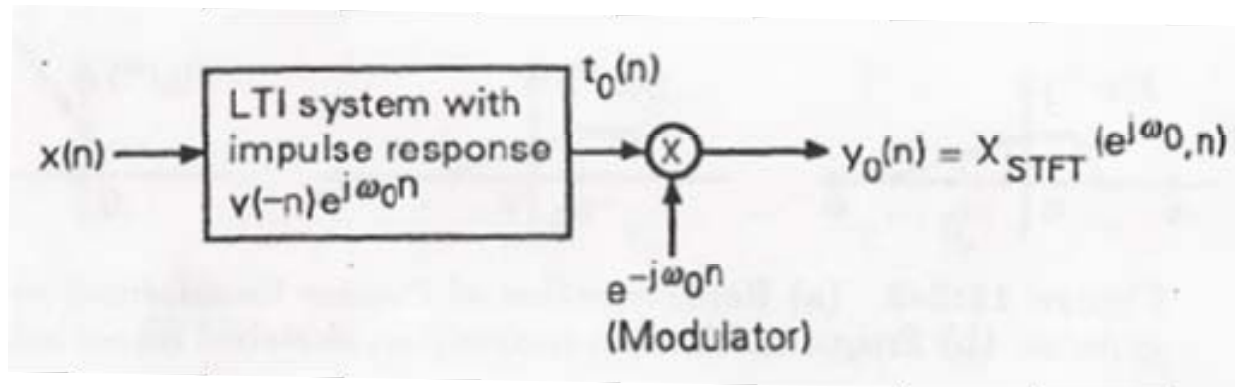
→ Expansion of Definiton for further insight!

$$X_{STFT}(e^{j\omega}, m) = e^{-j\omega m} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x(n)v(n-m)e^{j\omega(m-n)}$$

with:

$$v(n-m)e^{j\omega(m-n)} = v(-(m-n))e^{j\omega(m-n)}$$

→ Convolution of  $x(n)$  with the impulse response of the LTI – System  $v(-n)e^{j\omega n}$

figure 4: Representation of *STFT* in terms of a linear system

In most applications,  $v(n)$  has a lowpass transform  $V(e^{j\omega})$ .

→

$$v(-n) \quad \circ \text{---} \bullet \quad V(e^{-j\omega})$$

$$v(-n)e^{j\omega_0 n} \quad \circ \text{---} \bullet \quad V(e^{-j(\omega-\omega_0)})$$



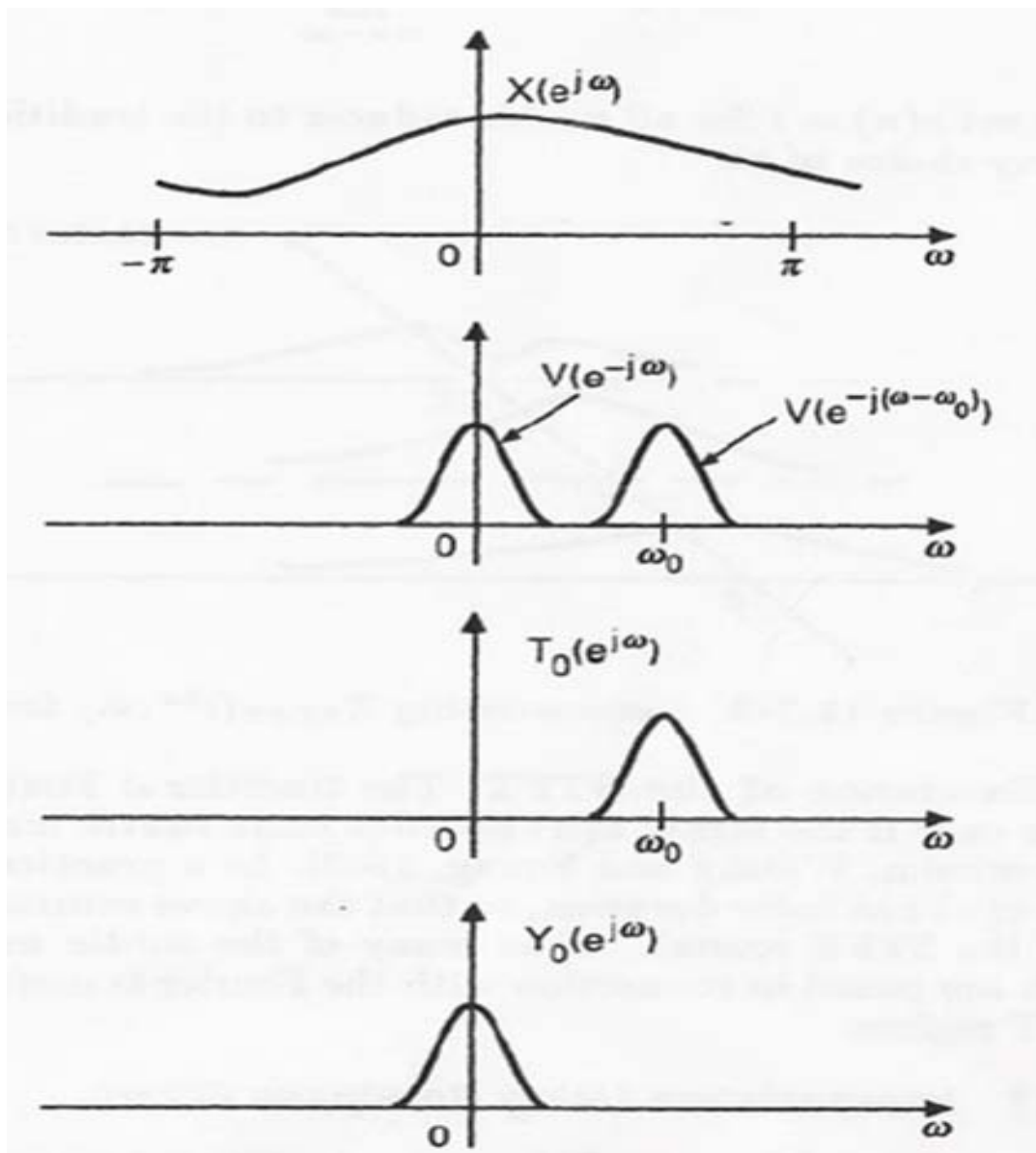


figure 5: Demonstration of how STFT works

In practice, we are interested in computing the Fourier transform at a discrete set of frequencies

$$\rightarrow 0 \leq \omega_0 < \omega_1 < \dots < \omega_{M-1} < 2\pi$$

Therefore the STFT reduces to a filter bank with  $M$  bandpass filters

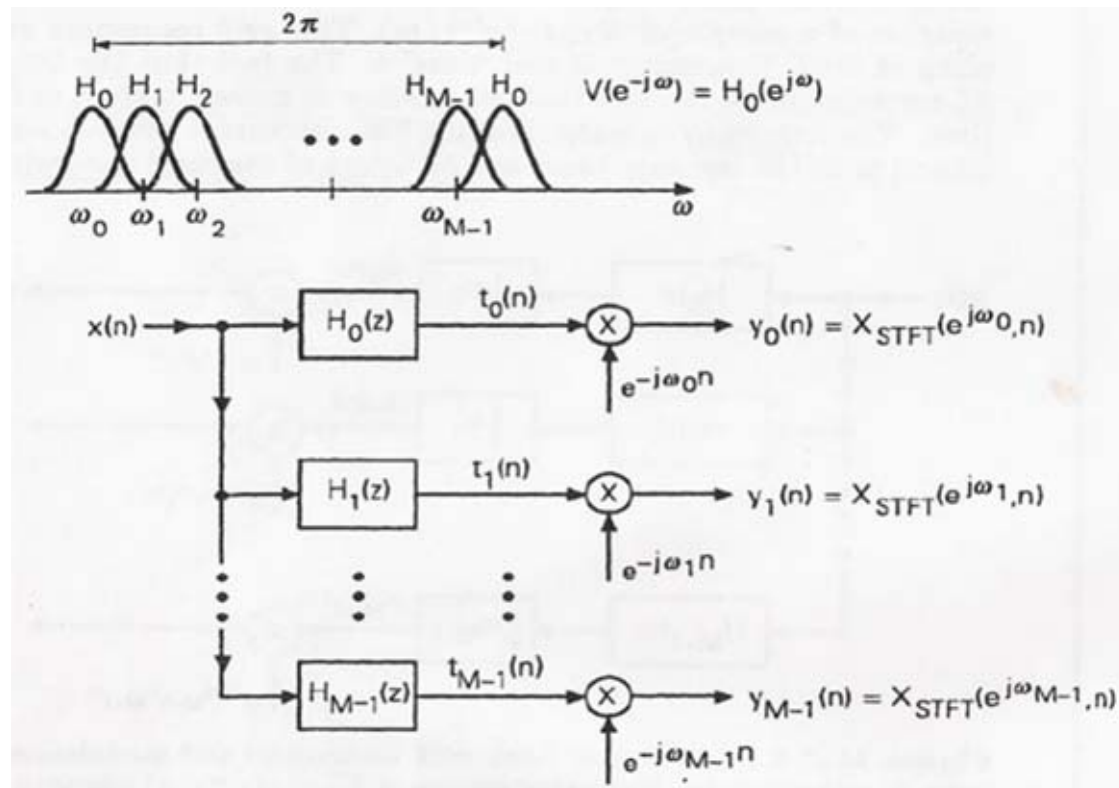


figure 6: STFT viewed as a filter bank

## Uniform DFT bank

If the frequencies  $\omega_k$  are uniformly spaced, then the system becomes the uniform DFT bank.

The  $M$  filters are related as in the following manner

$$H_k(z) = H_0(zW^k) \quad 0 \leq k \leq M-1 \quad W = e^{-j\frac{2\pi}{M}}$$

$$\rightarrow H_k(e^{j\omega}) = H_0\left(e^{j(\omega - \frac{2\pi}{M}k)}\right) \quad H_0(e^{j\omega}) = V(e^{-j\omega})$$

→ The *uniform DFT bank* is a device to compute the *STFT* at uniformly spaced frequencies.

## Decimation

if passband width of  $V(e^{j\omega})$  is narrow

→ output signals  $y_k(n)$  are *narrowband lowpass signals*

this means, that  $y_k(n)$  varies slowly with time

According to this varying nature, one can exploit that to decimate the output.

Decimation Ratio of  $M =$  moving the window  $v(k)$  by  $M$  samples at a time

if filters have *equal* bandwidth

→  $n_k = M$

→ *maximally decimated* analyses bank

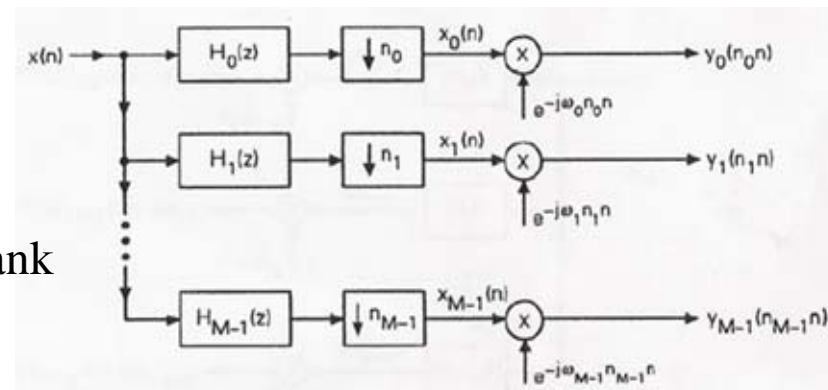


figure 7: Analysis bank with decimators

## Time – Frequency Grid

Uniform sampling of both, 'time'  $n$  and 'frequency'  $\omega$

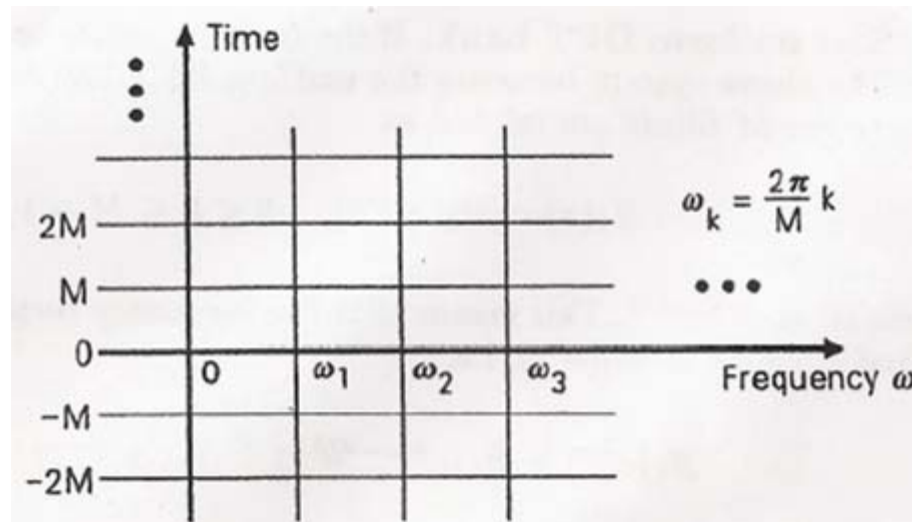


figure 8: time – frequency grid

Time spacing  $M$  corresponds to moving the window  $M$  units ( = samples ) at a *time*.

$$\text{frequency spacing of adjacent filters} = \frac{2\pi}{M}$$

## *Inversion of the STFT*

From traditional Fourier – viewpoint

$X_{STFT}(e^{j\omega}, m)$  is the FT. from the time domain product  
 $x(n)v(n - m)$

$$\rightarrow x(n)v(n - m) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} X_{STFT}(e^{j\omega}, m) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

Another inversion formula is given by:

$$x(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} X_{STFT}(e^{j\omega}, m) v^*(n-m) \right) e^{j\omega n} d\omega$$

which is provided by  $\sum_m |v(m)|^2 = 1$

if  $\sum_m |v(m)|^2 \neq 1$  but finite  $\rightarrow$  divide right side of the formula by  $\sum_m |v(m)|^2$

but if window energy is infinite  $\rightarrow$  one cannot apply this formulation

# Filter Bank Interpretation of the Inverse

With  $F_k(z)$  as synthesis - filter

Reconstruction can be done by the following synthesis bank:

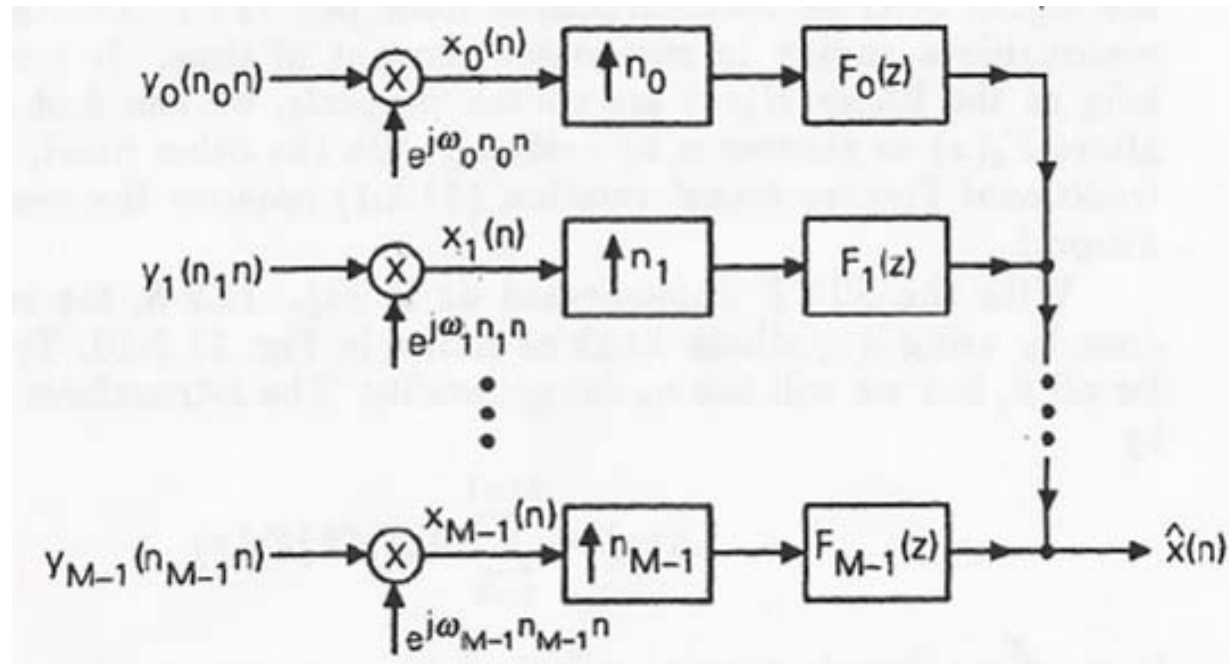


figure 9: synthesis – bank used to reconstruct  $x(n)$

typically  $n_k = M$  for all  $k$



The  $z$  – Transformation of  $\hat{x}(n)$  is given by

$$\hat{X}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} X_k(z^{n_k}) F_k(z)$$

in *time* – domain

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{x}(n) &= \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x_k(m) f_k(n - n_k m) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} y_k(n_k m) e^{j\omega_k(n_k m)} f_k(n - n_k m) \end{aligned}$$

$y_k(n_k m)$ ... *STFT* – Coefficients

Reconstruction is stable, if the filters  $F_k(z)$  are stable!

Perfect reconstruction will be obtained, if  $\hat{x}(n) = x(n)$

## *Basis Functions and Orthonormality*

### Functions of interest

$$\eta_{km}(n) \hat{=} f_k(n - n_k m) \dots \text{basis functions}$$

For these double indexed functions ( *basis functions*  $\{\eta_{km}(n)\}$  ),  
the orthonormality property means that

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} f_{k_1}^*(n - n_{k_1} m_1) f_{k_2}(n - n_{k_2} m_2) = \delta(k_1 - k_2) \delta(m_1 - m_2)$$

should be zero, except for those cases where  $k_1 = k_2$  and  $m_1 = m_2$

## The Continuous - Time Case

Main points:

$$X_{STFT}(j\Omega, \tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t)v(t - \tau)e^{-j\Omega t} dt \quad (STFT)$$

$$x(t)v(t - \tau) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_{STFT}(j\Omega, \tau)e^{j\Omega t} d\Omega \quad (inv. STFT)$$

$$x(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X_{STFT}(j\Omega, \tau)v^*(t - \tau)d\tau \right) e^{j\Omega t} d\Omega \quad (inv. STFT)$$

## Choice of “Best Window”

$R_{oot}$   $M_{ean}$   $S_{quare}$  duration of window function  $v(t)$  in

time domain  $D_t$

$$D_t^2 = \frac{1}{E} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 v^2(t) dt$$

frequency domain  $D_f$

$$D_f^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi E} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Omega^2 |V(j\Omega)|^2 d\Omega$$

with:

$$E \dots \text{window energy } E = \int v^2(t) dt$$

**Uncertainty principle:**

$$D_t D_f \geq 0.5$$

**Iff** Gaussian – window, this inequality becomes an equality !

## Filter Bank Interpretation

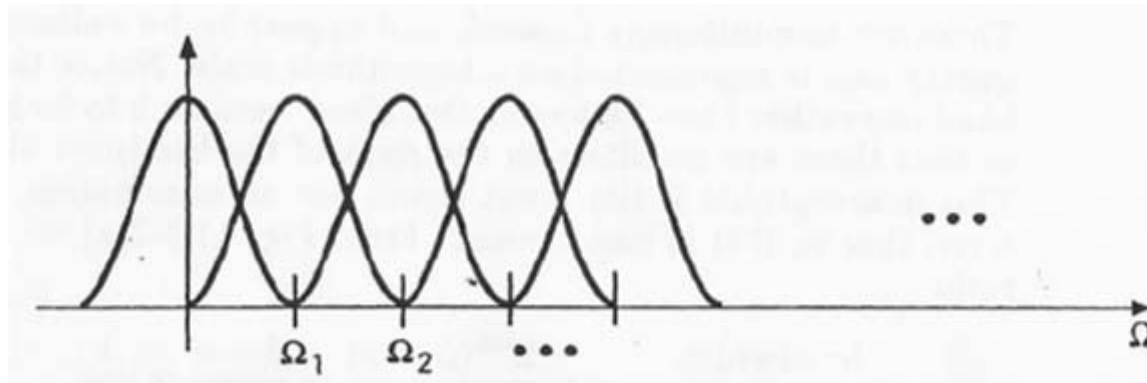
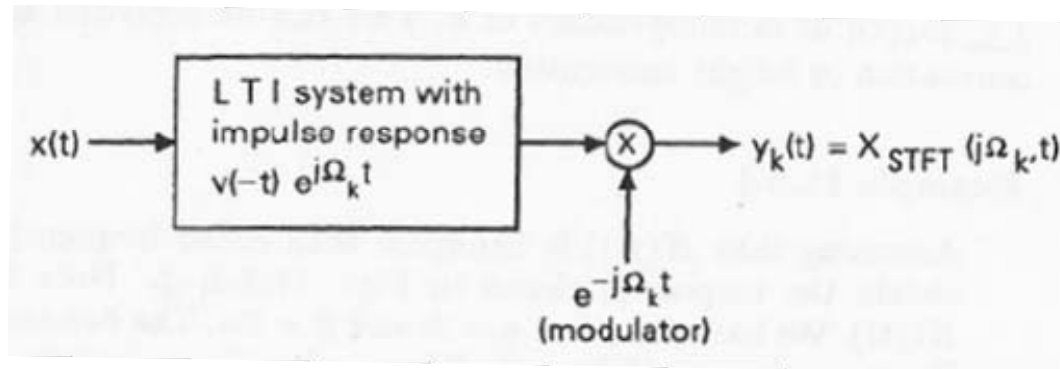


figure 10: continuous – STFT

- *THE WAVELET TRANSFORM*

*Disadvantage of STFT*

*uniform time – frequency box ( $D_t = const.$ ,  $D_f = const.$ )*

→ The accuracy of the estimate of the Fourier transform  
is poor at low frequencies, and improves as the frequency increases.

⇒ *Expected properties for a new function:*

- window width should adjust itself with ‘frequency’
- as the window gets wider in time, also the step sizes for moving the window should become wider.

These goals are nicely accomplished by the ***wavelet transform***.

## Passing from STFT to Wavelets

### Step 1:

Giving up the *STFT* modulation scheme and obtain filters

$$h_k(t) = a^{-k/2} h(a^{-k} t) \quad a > 1 \dots \text{scaling factor, } k = \text{integer}$$

in the frequency domain:

$$H_k(j\Omega) = a^{k/2} H(ja^k \Omega)$$

→ all responses are obtained by *frequency – scaling* of a prototype response  $H(j\Omega)$

Example:

Assuming  $H(j\Omega)$  is a bandpass with cutoff frequencies  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .

Also  $a = 2$ ,  $\beta = 2\alpha$  and the center frequency should be the geometrical mean of the two cutoff edges

$$\Omega_k = 2^{-k} \sqrt{\alpha\beta} = \alpha 2^{-k} \sqrt{2}$$

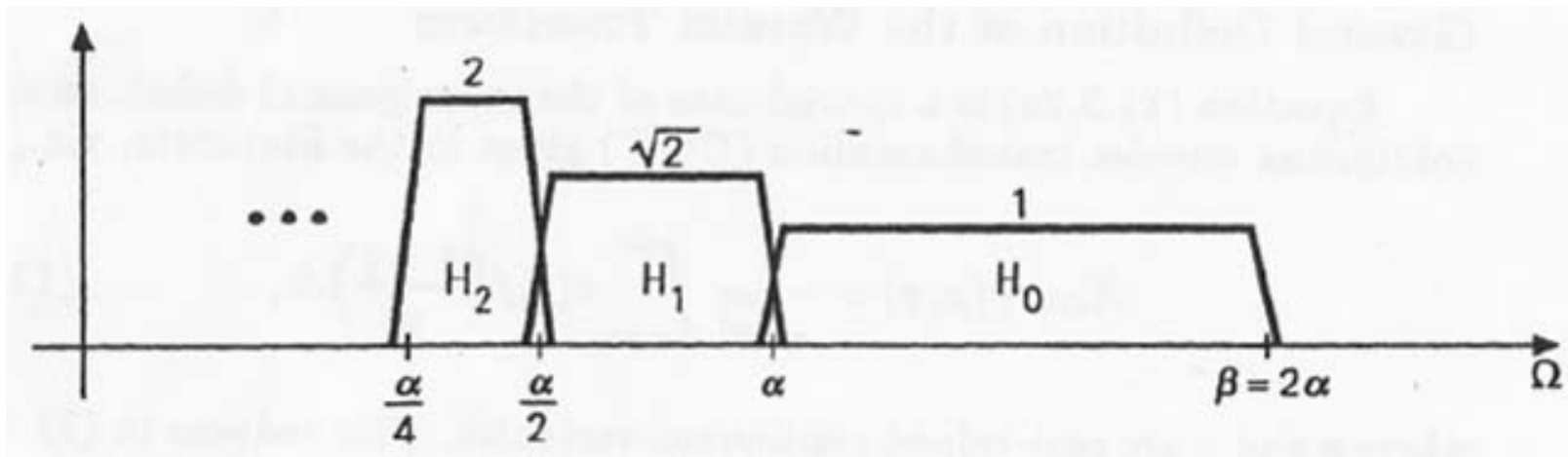


figure 11: frequency – response obtained by scaling process



Ratio:

$$\frac{\textit{bandwidth}}{\textit{center - frequency } \Omega_k} = \frac{2^{-k} (\beta - \alpha)}{2^{-k} \sqrt{\alpha\beta}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

is independent of integer  $k$

In *electrical filter theory* such a system is often said to be a 'constant Q' system!

$$\left( Q \dots \text{Quality factor } Q = \frac{\textit{center - frequency}}{\textit{bandwidth}} \right)$$

→ filter outputs can be obtained by:

$$a^{-k/2} e^{-j\Omega_k \tau} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) h(a^{-k}(\tau - t)) dt$$

Step 2:

$k \uparrow \rightarrow \text{bandwidth of } H_k(j\Omega) \downarrow \rightarrow \text{Samplerate} \downarrow$

or in *time* domain

$k \uparrow \rightarrow \text{window length} \uparrow \rightarrow \text{step size} \uparrow$

Therefore:

$$\tau = na^k T \quad n \dots \text{integer}, \quad a^k T \dots \text{step size}$$

hence:

$$h(a^{-k}(na^k T - t)) = h(nT - a^{-k}t)$$

Summarizing, we are computing:

$$X_{DWT}(k, n) = a^{-k/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) h(nT - a^{-k}t) dt$$

→

$$X_{DWT}(k, n) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) h_k(na^k T - t) dt$$

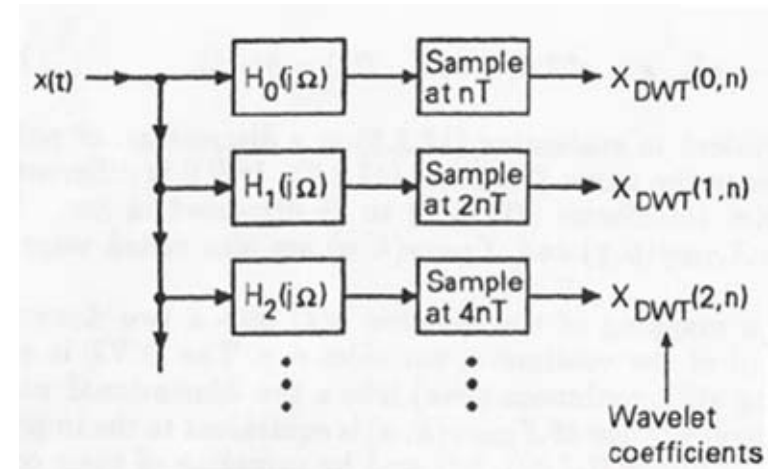


figure 12: Analysis bank of DWT

*DWT...Discrete Wavelet Transform*

## Time Frequency Grid

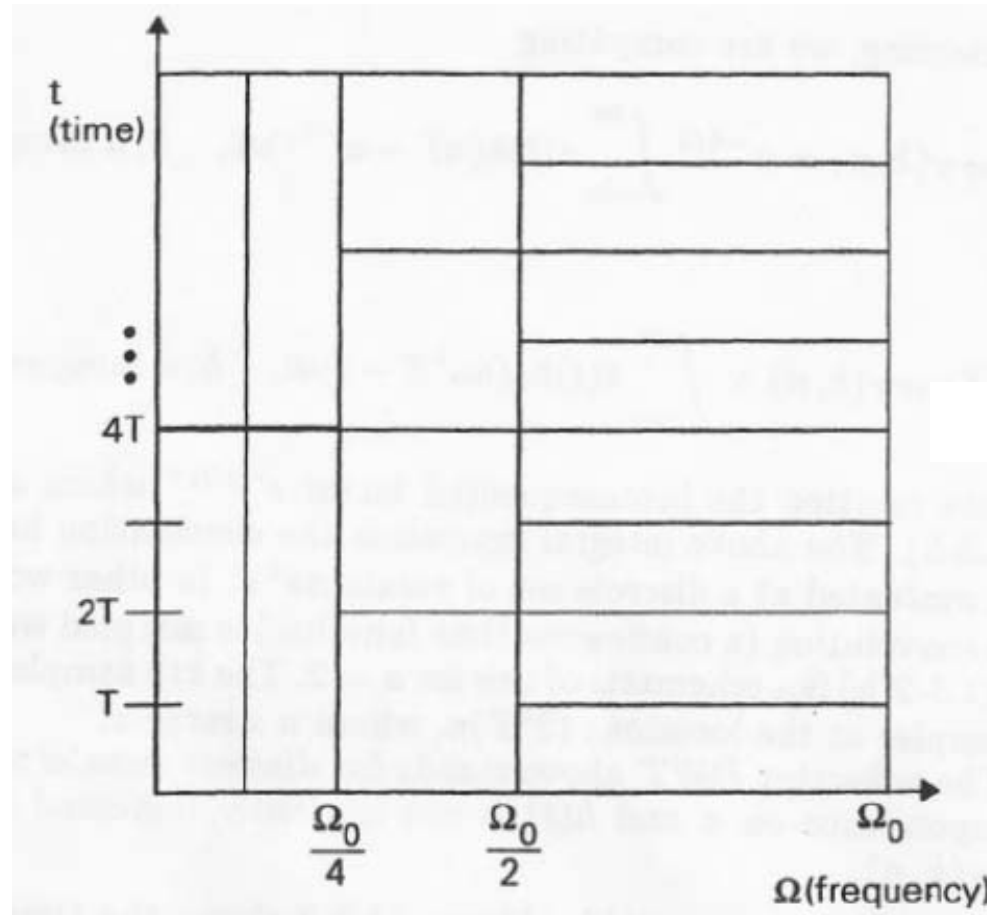


figure 13: time – frequency grid

$$D_t D_f = \text{const.}$$

## General Definition of the Wavelet Transform

$$X_{CWT}(p, q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|p|}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) f\left(\frac{t - q}{p}\right) dt$$

$p, q$  ... real – valued continuous variables

According to former definition:

$$p = a^k \qquad q = a^k Tn \qquad f(t) = h(-t)$$

$X_{CWT}(p, q)$  and  $X_{DWT}(k, n)$  ..... wavelet coefficients

### *Inversion of Wavelet Transform*

$$x(t) = \sum_k \sum_n X_{DWT}(k, n) \psi_{kn}(t)$$

where  $\psi_{kn}(t)$  are the basis functions

### *Filter Bank Interpretation of Inversion*

Reconstruction of  $x(t)$  as a designing problem of the following synthesis filter bank

$X_{DWT}(k, n)$  ... sequence

$F_k(j\Omega)$  ... continuous in time

→ output of synthesis filter bank :

$$\hat{x}(t) = \sum_k \sum_n X_{DWT}(k, n) f_k(t - a^k nT)$$

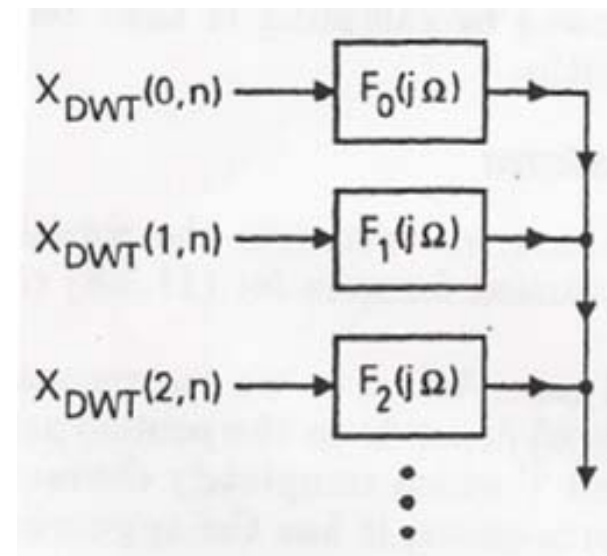


figure 14: synthesis bank

All synthesis filters are again generated from a fixed prototype synthesis filter  $f(t)$  (  $\rightarrow$  mother wavelet )

$$f_k(t) = a^{-k/2} f(a^{-k} t)$$

Substituting this in the preceding equation and assuming perfect reconstruction, we get

$$x(t) = \sum_k \sum_n X_{DWT}(k, n) a^{-k/2} f(a^{-k} t - nT)$$

with:

$$\psi(t) = f(t) \quad \rightarrow \quad \psi_{kn}(t) = a^{-k/2} \psi(a^{-k} t - nT) = a^{-k/2} \psi[a^{-k} (t - na^k T)] \dots \text{set of basis functions}$$

using this, we can express each basis function in terms of the filter  $f_k(t)$

$$\psi_{kn}(t) = f_k(t - na^k T)$$

## *Orthonormal Basis*

Of particular interest is the case where  $\{\psi_{kn}(t)\}$  is a set of orthonormal functions

Therefore, we expect:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_{kn}^*(t) \psi_{lm}(t) dt = \delta(k-l) \delta(n-m)$$

using Parseval's theorem, this becomes

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi_{kn}^*(j\Omega) \Psi_{lm}(j\Omega) d\Omega = \delta(k-l) \delta(n-m)$$

and get :

$$X_{DWT}(k, n) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \psi_{kn}^*(t) dt$$



Comparing these results, we can conclude:

$$\psi_{kn}(t) = h_k^*(a^k nT - t)$$

And in particular for  $k = 0$  and  $n = 0$ :

$$\psi_{00}(t) = \psi(t) = h^*(-t) \rightarrow \text{for the orthonormal case} \rightarrow f_k(t) = h_k^*(-t)$$

### Discrete - Time Wavelet Transform

Starting with the frequency domain relation and a scaling factor  $a = 2$

$$H_k(e^{j\omega}) = H(e^{j2^k \omega}) \quad \dots \quad k \text{ is a nonnegative integer}$$

for highpass  $H(e^{j\omega})$  and  $k = 1, k = 2$

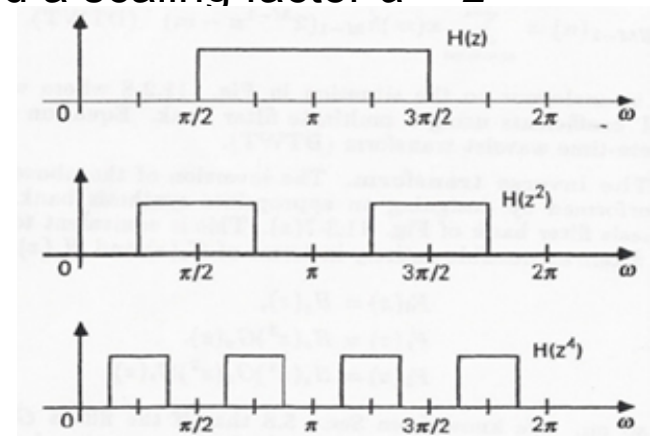


figure 15: Magnitude responses

Let  $G(z)$  be a lowpass with response

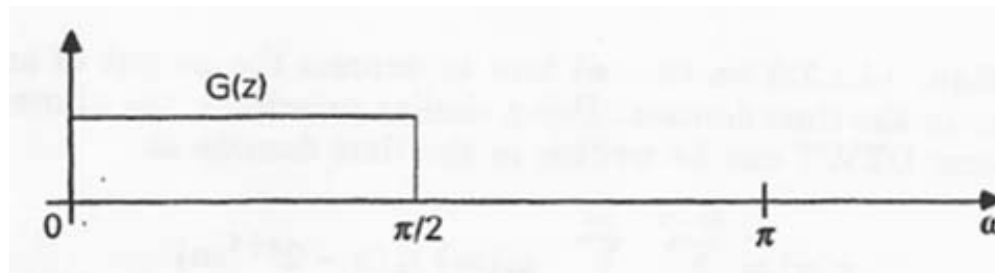


figure 16: Magnitude – response of  $G(z)$

Using QMF – banks

or

its equivalent

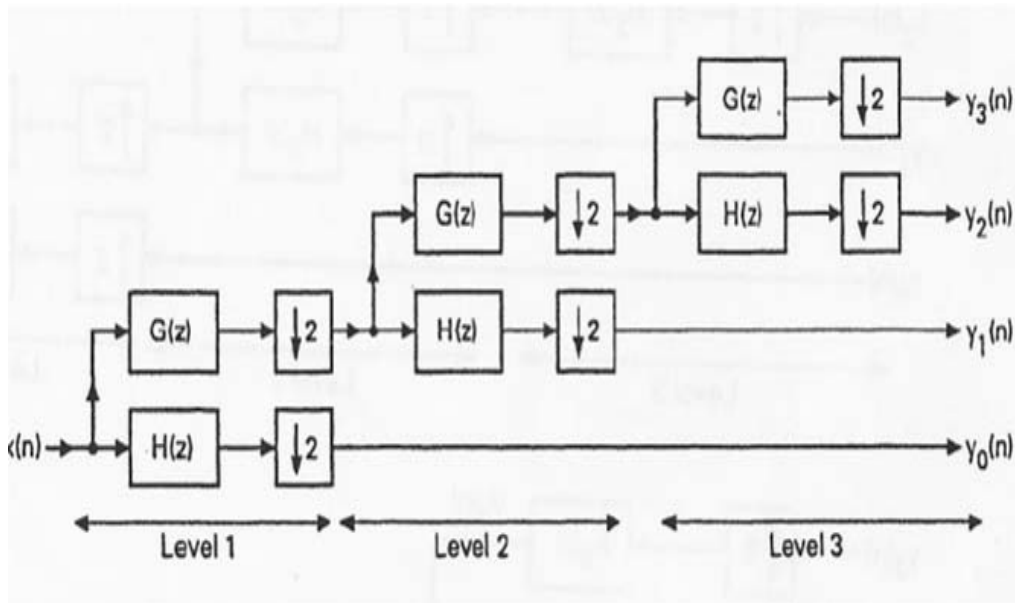


figure 17: 3 level binary tree-structured QMF

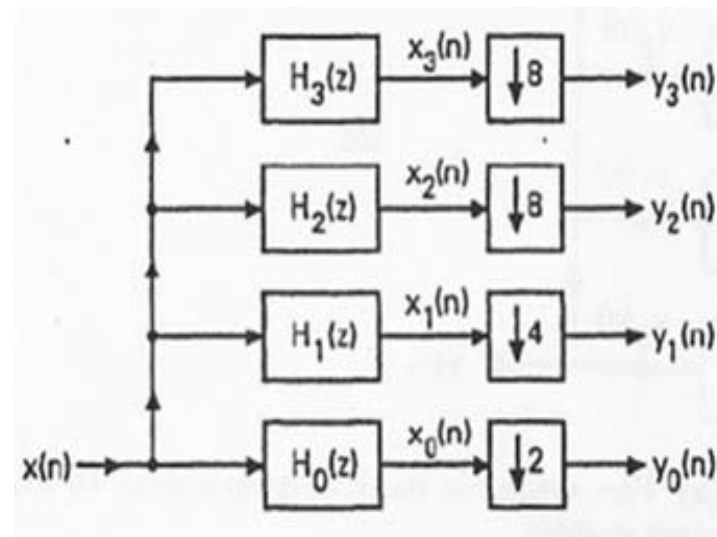


figure 18: equivalent 4-channel system

Responses of the filters  $H(z), G(z)H(z^2), G(z)G(z^2)H(z^4), \dots$

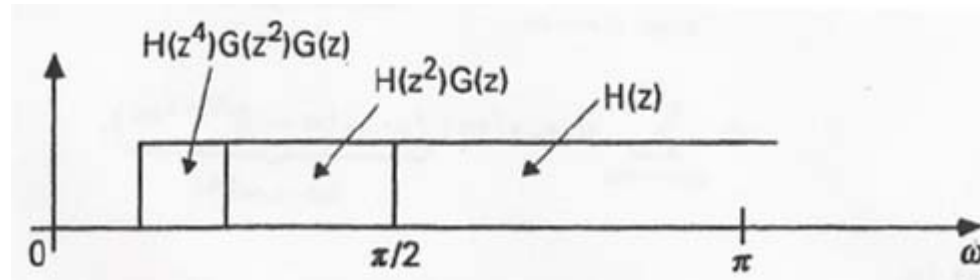


figure 19: combinations of  $H(z)$  and  $G(z)$

*Defining the Discrete -Time Wavelet Transform*

$$y_k(n) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x(m)h_k(2^{k+1}n - m), \quad 0 \leq k \leq M - 2$$

$$y_{M-1}(n) = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} x(m)h_{M-1}(2^{M-1}n - m), \quad (D_{iscrete} T_{ime} WT)$$

### Inverse Transform

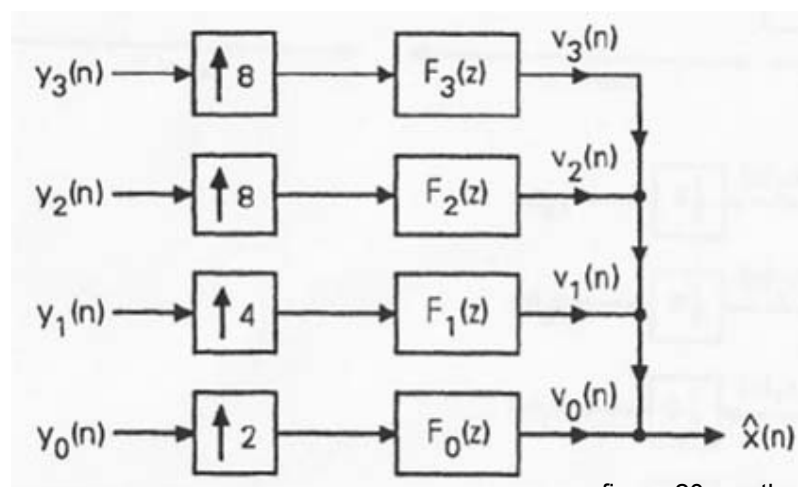
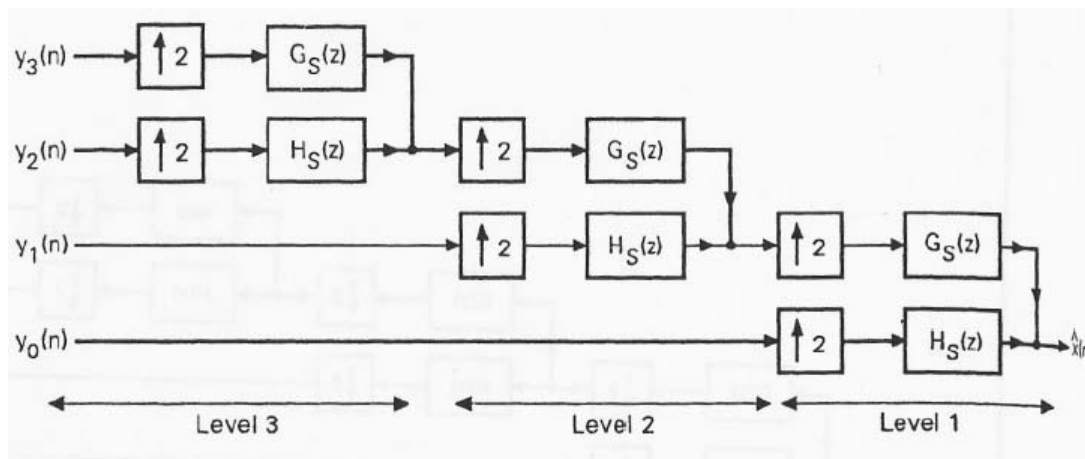


figure 20: synthesis filters

$$F_0(z) = H_s(z), \quad F_1(z) = H_s(z^2)G_s(z), \quad \dots$$

For perfect reconstruction  $\hat{x}(n) = x(n)$  we can express

$$X(z) = F_0(z)Y_0(z^2) + F_1(z)Y_1(z^4) + \dots + F_{M-2}(z)Y_{M-2}(z^{2^{M-1}}) + F_{M-1}(z)Y_{M-1}(z^{2^{M-1}})$$

and in time domain:

$$x(n) = \sum_{k=0}^{M-2} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} y_k(m) f_k(n - 2^{2k+1}m) + \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} y_{M-1}(m) f_{M-1}(n - 2^{M-1}m)$$

# Main References

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***Thank you for attention !***