Wavelets and Sparse Sampling on Circulant and Complex Graphs

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Motivation: Elementary Building Blocks

Signal Processing aims to decompose complex signals using elementary functions which are then easier to manipulate

 $x(t) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \alpha_i \varphi_i(t)$



Elementary Building Blocks: Circulant Graphs



Insight: Use circulant graphs as elementary building blocks for graph signal processing

Elementary Building Blocks: Circulant Graphs



Complex Graph can be decomposed in (approximately) circulant components

Roadmap

- Goal: Develop a complete graph signal processing theory for circulant graphs:
 - B-Splines and E-Splines Wavelets on Graphs
 - Sparse Sampling on Circulant Graphs
- Apply the above theory to signals on Complex Graphs by decomposing them into elementary Circulant Graphs

Polynomial Splines

• Polynomial Splines are at the heart of any wavelet construction¹



¹ M. Unser and T. Blu, "Wavelet Theory Demystified" IEEE Trans. Signal processing, 2003.

Polynomial Splines

• Splines Reproduce Polynomials





Polynomial Splines

- Splines Reproduce Polynomials
- Spline Wavelets Annihilate Polynomials (vanishing moments property)



Discrete-Time Polynomial Splines



- The low-pass filter is the polynomial spline
- The high-pass filter annihilates polynomial:

$$\sum_{k} h_1[k]x[n-k] = 0$$

when x[n] is a polynomial of the right degree.

Splines on Circulant Graphs

- For a undirected circulant graph with adjacency matrix A, the graph Laplacian L=D-A has two vanishing moments. Thus, L annihilates up to linear polynomial graph signals. Moreover, (D-A)^k has 2k vanishing moments.
- **Theorem [KotzagiannidisD:16]:** Given the undirected, and connected circulant graph *G* with adjacency matrix *A* and degree *d* per node, the higher-order graph-spline wavelet transform is given by:

$$\mathbf{H}_{LP} = \frac{1}{2^k} \left(\mathbf{I}_N + \frac{\mathbf{A}}{d} \right)^k$$
$$\mathbf{H}_{HP} = \frac{1}{2^k} \left(\mathbf{I}_N - \frac{\mathbf{A}}{d} \right)^k$$

and is invertible for any down-sampling pattern²

²Similar result for k=1 in [Ekambaram et al, '13].

Splines on Circulant Graphs



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- The low-pass filters reproduces polynomials when the graph is bipartite
- The low-pass filter converges to the traditional discrete spline for simple cycles

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Complementary Splines on Circulant Graphs



- The previous construction does not impose constraint on the synthesis graph filters
- There is a need to reproduce polynomials also on non-bipartite graphs
- Construct complementary filters all of compact support and with polynomial reproduction capabilities by using spectral factorization

Complementary Splines on Circulant Graphs



$$\mathbf{H}_{LP,an} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \mathbf{C}\bar{\mathbf{H}}_{LP} = \frac{1}{2^{k}}\mathbf{C}\left(\mathbf{I}_{N} + \frac{\mathbf{A}}{d}\right)^{\kappa}$$
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E-Splines³



$$eta_lpha(t) \Leftrightarrow \hateta(\omega) = rac{1-e^{lpha-j\omega}}{j\omega-lpha}$$

Notice:

• α can be complex.

- E-Spline is of compact support.
- E-Spline reduces to the classical polynomial spline when $\alpha = 0$.

³M. Unser and T. Blu, 'Cardinal Exponential Splines: Part I - Theory and Filtering Algorithms', IEEE Trans. on Signal Proc., 2005

E-Splines



E-Splines Reproduce Exponentials E-Spline Wavelets Annihilate Exponentials

E-Splines on Circulant Graphs

- The E-spline construction is based on a differential operator different from the one of the polynomial spline⁴
- We therefore need to change the graph Laplacian in order to design graph E-Splines

Definition: Let *G* be an undirected, circulant graph with adjacency matrix *A* and degree *d* per node with symmetric weights $d_k = A_{i,k}$. Then the parameterized e-graph Laplacian of *G* is $L=D_a$ -*A* with exponential degree

$$d_{\alpha} = \sum_{k} d_{k} \cos(\alpha k)$$

⁴See also: I. Pesenson, "Variational Splines and Paley–Wiener Spaces on Combinatorial Graphs", 2011

E-Splines on Circulant Graphs

Theorem: Given the undirected, and connected circulant graph G with adjacency matrix A and degree d per node, the higher-order e-graph-spline wavelet transform is given by:

$$\mathbf{H}_{LP_{\vec{\alpha}}} = \prod_{n=1}^{T} \frac{1}{2^{k}} \left(\beta_{n} \mathbf{I}_{N} + \frac{\mathbf{A}}{d} \right)^{k}$$
$$\mathbf{H}_{HP_{\vec{\alpha}}} = \prod_{n=1}^{T} \frac{1}{2^{k}} \left(\beta_{n} \mathbf{I}_{N} - \frac{\mathbf{A}}{d} \right)^{k}$$

and is "normally" invertible for any down-sampling pattern.

E-Splines on Circulant Graphs



- The proposed splines annihilate exponential signals
- The low-pass filter converges to the traditional discrete E-spline for simple cycles
- The low-pass filters reproduces exponentials when the graph is bipartite
- This construction converges to polynomial splines when $\beta_n = 0$

Sparse Sampling

Goal: Given a sparse graph signal x on a circulant graph, sample it and coarsen its graph without losing information

Note: Sparse signals do not belong to fixed sub-spaces like bandlimited signals



Challenges:

- Find a deterministic sampling and reconstruction strategy for x
- Find a good strategy for graph coarsening

Insight: leverage from the theory of sampling Finite Rate of Innovation (FRI) signals⁵

⁵ P.L. Dragotti, M. Vetterli and T. Blu, 'Sampling Moments and Reconstructing Signals of Finite Rate of Innovation: Shannon meets Strang-Fix', IEEE Trans. on Signal Processing, 2007.

Sparse Sampling

In FRI theory

- x can be discrete or continuous
- the anti-aliasing filter is an E-spline because it can reproduce exponentials
- Reconstruction is achieved using Prony's method
- Exact deterministic results



For Graph Signals

- Replace the traditional E-spline with the graph E-spline that preserves reproduction of exponential property
- Graph coarsening obtained by downsampling the eigenbasis of the original graph (this preserve the generating set of the original graph)

Sparse Sampling







Preliminary Applications: Image Approximation





Conclusions

Summary:

- Introduced new families of high order graph wavelets
- Extension of sparse sampling theory to the case of graph signals
- Preliminary encouraging results on non-linear image approximation

Papers:

- M.S. Kotzagiannidis and P.L. Dragotti, 'Splines and Wavelets on Circulant Graphs', http://arxiv.org/abs/1603.04917
- M.S. Kotzagiannidis and P.L. Dragotti,"The graph FRI framework: spline wavelet theory and sampling on circulant graphs, ICASSP 2016