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Multiscale Haar Orthonormal Matrices with the Corresponding Riesz Products and a Characterization of Cantor-Type Languages

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ABSTRACT. We introduce a class of multiscale orthonormal matrices H(m) of order $m \times m$, $m = 2, 3, \ldots$ For $m = 2^N$, $N = 1, 2, \ldots$, we get the well known Haar wavelet system. The term "multiscale" indicates that the construction of H(m) is achieved in different scales by an iteration process, determined through the prime integer factorization of m and by repetitive dilation and translation operations on matrices. The new Haar transforms allow us to detect the underlying ergodic structures on a class of Cantor-type sets or languages. We give a sufficient condition on finite data of length m, or step functions determined on the intervals [k/m, (k+1)/m), $k = 0, \ldots, m-1$ of [0, 1), to be written as a Riesz-type product in terms of the rows of H(m). This allows us to approximate in the weak-* topology continuous measures by Riesz-type products.

1. Introduction

A matrix is a concise and useful way of treating linear transforms and an extremely important concept in time series analysis (see [5]). In order to analyze data, we prefer linear transforms whose corresponding matrices have the ability to handle a large amount of information with fast computations. Sparse matrices (matrices with a small number of nonzero elements), have the ability to reduce computational cost (see [7, 10]). Thus, in [1] and [2] we introduced new classes of sparse invertible matrices, capable of revealing local information and suitable for providing multiscale analysis on finite data.

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The initial idea of this work emerged from the observation that the Gram Schmidt orthonormalization process of the following sparse matrices (see [1] and [2]):

derives the Haar matrices:

$$H(1) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}, H(2) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ \end{pmatrix},$$

$$H(3) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}, \dots$$

Since the sparse matrices introduced in [1] are created by a multiscale construction, we wanted to check if we can get a similar construction to create Haar matrices. In Section 2, we build a class of orthonormal matrices H(m) of order $m \times m$ (m = 2, 3, ...), using an iteration in scales, determined by the prime integer factorization of m. The matrices H(m)can be considered as a generalization of the usual Haar matrices, since the rows of H(m)are unbalanced Haar wavelets, as introduced in [4, 9], and [12].

The construction of H(m), where $m = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_N$ is the prime integer factorization of $m, p_1 \ge p_2 \ge \ldots \ge p_N$, starts with a matrix $H(p_1)$, whose all rows, except for the first row, have zero mean. $H(p_1 p_2 \cdots p_k)$ is obtained from $H(p_1 p_2 \cdots p_{k-1})$ by joining two matrices, derived by a dilation and a translation process on $H(p_1p_2\cdots p_{k-1})$. As a result, we get a multiresolution analysis and a Haar transform:

$$\{t_n: n=1,\ldots,m\} \leftrightarrow \{\langle t,h_n\rangle: n=1,\ldots,m\},\$$

where $\langle ., . \rangle$ is the usual inner product and h_n are the rows of H(m).

In Section 3, we use the Haar transform to identify a Cantor-type language. A Cantor*type language* of length N in an alphabet $A = \{\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{p-1}\}$ of p letters, is the set of all words $\{\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \dots \varepsilon_N : \varepsilon_i \in A' \subset A, i = 1, \dots, N\}$. The corresponding Cantor set on [0, 1) is the set $\{x = \sum_{i=1}^N \varepsilon_i p^{-i}, \varepsilon_i \in B\}$, where $B = \{i \in \{0, \dots, p-1\} : a_i \in A'\}$. In Theorem 2 we prove that any Cantor language can be identified:

- (a) By the sequence $\{\langle t, h_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle t, h_p \rangle\}$ of the first *p* Haar coefficients of *t*, where *t* is the indicator sequence (see Definition 6) of the Cantor language and
- (b) by the set of zeros of the Haar transform of t.

In Section 4 we deal with Riesz-type products based on Haar matrices H(m). We prove that to any step function f(x) on [0, 1) satisfying $f(x) = t_n, x \in \left[\frac{n-1}{m}, \frac{n}{m}\right), n = 1, \dots, m$, there corresponds a unique sequence of numbers $\{a_n : n = 1, \dots, m\}$ and a representation:

$$f(x) = \prod_{k=1}^{m} (1 + a_k h_k(x)) ,$$

where $h_k(x) = h_{k,n}, x \in \left[\frac{n-1}{m}, \frac{n}{m}\right), k, n = 1, \dots, m$ and $h_{k,n}$ is the (k, n) entry of the matrix H(m), provided that $\langle f, h_k \rangle \neq 0$. In other words, we prove that any data $\{t_n : n = 1, \dots, m\}$ satisfying $\langle t, h_n \rangle \neq 0$, can be expressed as a product:

$$t_n = \prod_{k=1}^m \left(1 + a_k h_{k,n} \right)$$

called *Haar-Riesz product* associated with the coefficients $\{a_n\}$. Thus, we introduce a non linear transform:

$$\{t_n: n=1,\ldots,m\} \leftrightarrow \{a_n: n=1,\ldots,m\},\$$

which can be implemented by a fast computational algorithm.

We should note here that the original Riesz's construction associated with a sequence $\{a_n\}$, was to point that the pointwise limit of the functions:

$$F_N(x) = \int_0^x \prod_{n=1}^N (1 + a_n \cos(2\pi 4^n t)) dt$$

is a continuous function F of bounded variation in $[0, 2\pi]$, whose Fourier-Stieltjes coefficients do not vanish at infinity. Riesz's construction was the source of powerful ideas for producing many examples of measures with desired properties, by replacing $\cos(2\pi t)$ with trigonometric polynomials (see [11]), or other generating functions (see [6]). Recently, the authors of [8] presented a new perspective for constructing Riesz products. From their point of view, the original Riesz product emerged from a Ruelle Perron-Frobenious operator acting on the well known low pass filter function of wavelets.

The common thread among the aforementioned approaches is a multiscale Riesz product defined in Benedetto-Bernstein and Konstantinidis work (see [3]). Their definition consists of a homomorphism $T : G \to G$, G being a locally compact Abelian group with Haar measure *m* and a real valued function *H* on *G* called generating function, such that:

$$d\mu_N = \prod_{n=1}^N \left(1 + a_n H(T^{n-1}x) \right) dm$$

converges weak-* to a continuous measure. They prove a dichotomy theorem and examine the support properties of measures based on this construction. Thus, our approach to make multiscale Haar-Riesz products is different and hopefully suitable for examining the

characteristic properties of singular measures as well as hidden ergodic structures. We will treat this problem in a future occasion.

The article is organized in the following sections:

In Section 2, Definitions 1–2, we introduce new dilation and translation operations on matrices. In Lemma 2 we prove that these operators are orthonormal. In Definition 5 we construct the matrix H(m) in terms of a recursion equation. Theorem 1 states that the matrices H(m) are orthonormal.

In Section 3, Proposition 1, we compute the Haar coefficients of the indicator sequence t of a Cantor language in terms of the first p Haar coefficients of t. In Theorem 2 we compute the set of zeros of the Haar transform of t and we present the reconstruction formula for t.

In Section 4, we define the Haar-Riesz product corresponding to the matrix H(m). In Proposition 2 we compute the Haar-Riesz coefficients and in Theorem 3 we prove their uniqueness.

2. The Iteration Process for the Construction of the Haar Matrices H(m)

In order to construct the orthonormal matrices H(m), we need to determine new dilation and translation operators on the space of matrices. We use the following notation.

Notation. Let $M_{n,m}$ be the space of matrices of order $n \times m$ over the field of complex numbers. If n = m, then $M_{n,m}$ is abbreviated to M_n . A matrix $M \in M_{n,m}$ is orthonormal, if its rows form an orthonormal set. We denote $M_i = \{M_{ij} : j = 1, ..., m\}$ to be the *i* row of the matrix $M \in M_{n,m}$. The support of the row M_i is: $\sup\{M_i\} = \{j = 1, ..., m : M_{i,j} \neq 0\}$. Finally, we denote by [x] the lowest integer which is greater than or equal to a real number *x*.

Let p = 2, 3, ..., we define the following operators D_p and T_p on the space $M_{n,m}$. **Definition 1.** Let $D_p : M_{n,m} \to M_{n,pm}$ be the following dilation operator:

 $D_p(M) = \left\{ M_{i, \left[\frac{j}{p}\right]}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad j = 1, \dots, pm \right\} .$

Example 1. $D_2\left(\begin{pmatrix} 12\\ 34 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1122\\ 3344 \end{pmatrix}, D_3\left(\begin{pmatrix} 12\\ 34 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 111222\\ 333444 \end{pmatrix}.$

Definition 2. Let $T_p : M_{k,l} \to M_{pk,pl}$ be the following translation operator:

$$T_{p}(M) = \left\{ \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} M[\frac{i}{p}], \operatorname{Mod}(j-1,l)+1, & \text{whenever } \operatorname{Mod}(i-1, p)+1 = [\frac{j}{l}] \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right\}, i = 1, \dots, pk, j = 1, \dots, pl \right\}$$
Example 2.
$$T_{3}\left(\left(\begin{array}{c} b_{11} \ b_{12} \\ b_{21} \ b_{22} \end{array} \right) \right) = \left(\begin{array}{ccc} b_{11} \ b_{12} \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ b_{11} \ b_{12} \ 0 \ 0 \\ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ b_{11} \ b_{12} \ 0 \ 0 \\ 0 \ 0 \ b_{21} \ b_{22} \ 0 \ 0 \\ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ b_{21} \ b_{22} \end{array} \right).$$

Remark 1. The operator $D_p(M)$ creates *p* replicas of any column of the matrix *M*, while the matrix $T_p(M)$, $M \in M_{k,l}$ has:

(i) k generator rows:

$$(T_p(M))_{rp+1} = \begin{cases} M_{(r+1),j} & j = 1, \dots, l \\ 0, & j = l+1, \dots, pl \end{cases}, r = 0, \dots, k-1,$$

(ii) each row $(T_p(M))_{rp+s}$, s = 2, ..., p is an (s-1)l-translation of the row $(T_p(M))_{rp+1}$.

Lemma 1. The operators D_p , T_p satisfy the following properties:

- (i) $D_p D_q = D_{pq}$.
- (ii) $D_p T_q = T_q D_p$.
- (iii) If the rows of the matrix $M \in M_{n,m}$ form an orthonormal set, then both operators $p^{-1/2}D_p$ and T_p preserve orthonormality.

Proof.

(i) and (ii) are straightforward applications of Definitions 1 and 2.(iii) If the rows of *M* form an orthonormal set, then:

$$\frac{1}{p}\left\langle \left(D_p(M)\right)_i, \left(D_p(M)\right)_j \right\rangle = \frac{1}{p}\sum_{l=1}^{pm} M_{i,\left\lfloor \frac{l}{p} \right\rfloor} M_{j,\left\lfloor \frac{l}{p} \right\rfloor} = \sum_{l=1}^m M_{i,l} M_{j,l} = \delta_{i,j} \ .$$

In order to prove that T_p is orthonormal we use Remark 1:

$$\left\langle \left(T_p(M)\right)_i, \left(T_p(M)\right)_j \right\rangle = \begin{cases} \left\langle M_{\left[\frac{i}{p}\right]}, M_{\left[\frac{j}{p}\right]} \right\rangle, & |i-j| = cp \\ 0, & |i-j| \neq cp \end{cases}, \quad c = 1, \dots, n-1$$

and the result follows as a consequence of the orthonormality of M.

Definition 3. Let $S: M_{n,m} \times M_{k,m} \to M_{n+k,m}$ be the following block matrix operator:

$$S(M, N) = \left\{ \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} M_{i,j}, & i = 1, \dots, n, \ j = 1, \dots, m \\ N_{(i-n),j}, & i = n+1, \dots, n+k, \ j = 1, \dots, m \end{array} \right\}$$

Example 3. $s\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

Definition 4. Let p = 2, 3, ..., we define the following matrix $\Psi^p = (\psi_{ij}^p)$ of order $(p-1) \times p$:

$$\psi_{ij}^{p} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{p-i}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{p-i+1}}, & \text{whenever } 1 \le j \le p-i \\ -\frac{\sqrt{p-i}}{\sqrt{p-i+1}}, & \text{whenever } j = p-i+1, \\ 0, & \text{whenever } p-i+1 < j \le p \end{cases}$$
(2.1)

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Example 4.
$$\Psi^2 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \end{pmatrix}, \Psi^3 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$\Psi^5 = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}} & -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} \\ \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} & \frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}} & -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} & -\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}} & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Lemma 2. The matrix Ψ^p satisfies the following properties:

- (i) $\sum_{j=1}^{p} \psi_{ij}^{p} = 0$, for any i = 1, ..., p 1.
- (ii) $\psi_i^p \psi_j^p = \psi_{i,1}^p \psi_j^p$, whenever i < j.
- (iii) The matrix $S(\frac{1}{\sqrt{p}}(1,\ldots,1)_{1\times p},\Psi^p)$ is orthonormal.
- (iv) Let r, q = 2, 3, ... and let i < j, then:

$$\left(T_r\left(D_q\left(\Psi^p\right)\right)\right)_i \left(T_r\left(D_q\left(\Psi^p\right)\right)\right)_j = c \left(T_r\left(D_q\left(\Psi^p\right)\right)\right)_j$$

where
$$c = \begin{cases} \psi_{\left[\frac{i}{r}\right],1}^{p}, & j-i = sr \\ 0, & j-i \neq sr \end{cases}$$
, $s = 0, \dots, p-2$.

Proof.

(i) Obvious, see (2.1).

(ii) Let i < j, then $p - j + 1 \le p - i$. Since $\psi_{i,n}^p$ has the same non zero value for all $n \le p - i$ and since $\psi_{j,n}^p = 0$ for all n > p - j + 1, we have: $\psi_i^p \psi_j^p = \psi_{i,1}^p \psi_j^p$.

(iii) Elementary application of (ii) and Equation (2.1).

(iv) Let $M^{q,p} = D_q(\Psi^p)$. We suppose that i < j and we use Remark 1 to deduce that

$$\sup\left\{T_r\left(M^{q,p}\right)_i\right\}\bigcap \sup\left\{T_r\left(M^{q,p}\right)_i\right\}=\emptyset$$

whenever $j - i \neq sr$, $s = 0, \dots, p - 2$. If j - i = sr, then:

$$\sup\left\{T_r\left(M^{q,p}\right)_i\right\} \bigcap \sup\left\{T_r\left(M^{q,p}\right)_j\right\} = \sup\left\{M_{\left[\frac{j}{r}\right]}\right\} \bigcap \sup\left\{M_{\left[\frac{j}{r}\right]}\right\}.$$

Since $M_{\left[\frac{i}{r}\right]} M_{\left[\frac{j}{r}\right]} = \psi_{\left[\frac{i}{r}\right],1}^{p} \psi_{\left[\frac{j}{r}\right]}^{p}$ as a consequence of part (ii) and Equation (2.1), the result follows.

From now on, we consider the prime integer factorization of m > 0:

$$m = p_1 p_2 \cdots p_N , \qquad (2.2)$$

where $p_1 \ge p_2 \ge \ldots \ge p_N$.

Definition 5. Let *m* be as in (2.2). For any n = 1, ..., N we define a sequence of block matrices $H^m(n)$ of order $(\prod_{i=1}^n p_i) \times (\prod_{i=1}^n p_i)$:

$$H^{m}(n) = \begin{cases} S\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_{1}}}(1, \dots, 1)_{1 \times p_{1}}, \Psi^{p_{1}}\right), & n = 1\\ S\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_{n}}}D_{p_{n}}\left(H^{m}(n-1)\right), T_{(p_{1}\cdots p_{n-1})}\left(\Psi^{p_{n}}\right)\right), & n = 2, \dots, N \end{cases}$$

For the case n = N we use the notation H(m).

Example 5. Let m = 12, then $p_1 = 3$, $p_2 = 2$, $p_3 = 2$ and we have:

Theorem 1. The matrices $H^m(n)$, n = 1, ..., N are orthonormal.

In order to prove Theorem 1 we need the following lemmas.

Lemma 3. Let n = 2, ..., N, then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_n}} D_{p_n} \left(H^m(n-1) \right) = S \left(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_{n-2} \right) ,$$

where $A_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_n \cdots p_2}} D_{(p_n \cdots p_2)} (H^m(1))$ and $A_k = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_n \cdots p_{k+2}}} T_{(p_1 \cdots p_k)} (D_{(p_n \cdots p_{k+2})} (\Psi^{p_{k+1}})),$ k > 0.

Proof. We use Lemma 1 (i)–(ii) and Definition 5 to get:

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_n}} D_{p_n} \left(H^m(n-1) \right) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{p_n}} D_{p_n} \left(S \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_{n-1}}} D_{p_{n-1}} \left(H^m(n-2) \right), T_{(p_1 \cdots p_{n-2})} \left(\Psi^{p_{n-1}} \right) \right) \right) \\ &= S \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_n p_{n-1}}} D_{(p_n p_{n-1})} \left(H^m(n-2) \right), A_{n-2} \right) \\ &= S \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{p_n p_{n-1} p_{n-2}}} D_{(p_n p_{n-1} p_{n-2})} \left(H^m(n-3) \right), A_{n-3}, A_{n-2} \right) \\ &= \dots = S \left(A_0, A_1, \dots, A_{n-2} \right) . \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4. Let $1 \le n < l \le m$, then $h_n h_l = h_{n,l_0} h_l$, where h_{l,l_0} is the first nonzero element of the l-row of the matrix H(m).

Proof. $H(m) = S(A_0, \ldots, A_{N-2}, A_{N-1})$ as a result of Lemma 3.

Step 1. Let
$$n < l$$
 and let $h_n, h_l \in A_0$, then: $h_{n,i}h_{l,i} = \psi_{n, \lfloor \frac{i}{p_2 \cdots p_N} \rfloor}^{p_1} h_{l,i} = \psi_{n,1}^{p_1} h_{l,i}$.

Step 2. Let n < l and let $h_n, h_l \in A_k$, (k = 1, ..., N - 1), then Lemma 2 (iv) yields the result.

Step 3. If h_n is a row of the submatrix A_k and h_l is a row of the submatrix A_m where k < m, then either supp $\{h_l\} \cap$ supp $\{h_n\} = \emptyset$ or supp $\{h_l\} \cap$ supp $\{h_n\} =$ supp $\{h_l\}$. Since the row h_n has the same entries within the support of the row h_l , we have $h_n h_l = c h_l$, where

$$c = \begin{cases} h_{n,l_0}, & \text{whenever supp}\{h_l\} \bigcap \text{supp}\{h_n\} = \text{supp}\{h_l\} \\ 0, & \text{whenever supp}\{h_l\} \bigcap \text{supp}\{h_n\} = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Proof of Theorem 1. We proceed by induction. The matrix $H^m(1)$ is orthonormal as a result of Lemma 2 (iii). Let $H^m(n-1)$ (n = 2, ..., N-1) be an orthonormal matrix, then the rows of both matrices $p_n^{-1/2} D_{p_n} (H^m(n-1))$ and $T_{(p_1...p_{n-1})} (\Psi^{p_n})$ form orthonormal sets as a consequence of Lemma 1 (iii) and the inductive hypothesis, thus it suffices to prove that $\langle h_k, h_l \rangle = 0$ whenever $h_k \in p_n^{-1/2} D_{p_n} (H^m(n-1))$ and $h_l \in T_{(p_1...p_{n-1})} (\Psi^{p_n})$. Indeed, we have:

$$\langle h_k, h_l \rangle = \sum_{r=1}^m h_{k,r} h_{r,l} = c \sum_{j=1}^{p_n} \psi_{\left[\frac{r}{p_1 \dots p_{n-1}}\right], j}^{p_n} = 0,$$

so the matrix $H^m(n)$ is orthonormal.

Remark 2. The multiresolution structure arised from $H(p^N)$, where p is a prime number and N = 2, 3, ...

Let V_N be the space of all real-valued sequences of length p^N and let h_i be the *i*-row of the Haar matrix $H(p^N)$, then any element $t = \{t(n), n = 1, ..., m\} \in V_N$ can be written as:

$$t(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{p^N} \langle t, h_i \rangle h_{n,i} \; .$$

For any j = 0, ..., N-1, k = 1, ..., p-1, we define the subspaces $W_{j,k} = \text{span}\{h_{kp^j+s} : s = 1, ..., p^j\}$. Let V_0 be the space of constant sequences, then we have the following decomposition:

$$V_N = V_0 \oplus_{j=0}^{N-1} \oplus_{k=1}^{p-1} W_{j,k}$$
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Example 6. Let $m = 3^3$, then $V_m = V_0 + W_{0,1} + W_{0,2} + W_{1,1} + W_{1,2} + W_{2,1} + W_{2,2}$, where:

 $V_0 = \operatorname{span}\{h_1\}, W_{0,1} = \operatorname{span}\{h_2\}, W_{0,2} = \operatorname{span}\{h_3\},$ $W_{1,1} = \operatorname{span}\{h_4, h_5, h_6\}, W_{1,2} = \operatorname{span}\{h_7, h_8, h_9\},$ $W_{2,1} = \operatorname{span}\{h_{10}, \dots, h_{18}\}, W_{2,2} = \operatorname{span}\{h_{19}, \dots, h_{27}\}.$

3. Haar Coefficients of Cantor-Type Sets

For the rest of the text we assume that h_i is a row of the Haar matrix H(m) and p is a prime number. A *Cantor-type language* of length N in an alphabet $A = \{a_0, a_1, \ldots, a_{p-1}\}$ of p letters, is the set of all words $\{\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_2 \ldots \varepsilon_N : \varepsilon_i \in A' \subset A, i = 1, \ldots, N\}$:

- (i) A' has at least two elements.
- (ii) $a_0 \in A', a_1 \notin A'$.

The corresponding Cantor set on [0, 1) is the set $\{x = \sum_{n=1}^{N} \varepsilon_n p^{-n} : \varepsilon_n \in B\}$, where

$$B = \left\{ i \in \{0, \dots, p-1\} : a_i \in A' \right\}.$$
(3.1)

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Obviously: $0 \in B$, $1 \notin B$.

Definition 6. We call indicator sequence of a Cantor-type language, the sequence $t = \{t_1, t_2, \ldots, t_{p^N}\}$ satisfying:

$$t_n = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{whenever } n = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^{N} \varepsilon_i \, p^{N-i}, \, \varepsilon_i \in B \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Example 7. Let p = 5, N = 2, $A = \{a_0, \dots, a_4\}$, $A' = \{a_0, a_2, a_4\}$, then:

 $t = \{1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 0, 1\}.$

The indicator sequence t emerges from an iteration process presented below.

Let V_i be the set of all real sequences of length p^i (i = 1, ..., N - 1). We define the mapping:

$$X_i: V_i \to V_{i+1}, (X_i(e))_n = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{whenever } n = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^i \varepsilon_j p^{i-j}, \varepsilon_i \notin B\\ e_{\text{Mod}(n-1, p^i)+1}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad n = 1, \dots, p^{i+1},$$

where *B* is defined in (3.1). If $g = \{g_1, ..., g_p\}$:

$$g_n = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{whenever } \alpha_{n-1} \in A' \\ 0, & \text{whenever } \alpha_{n-1} \in A - A' \end{cases},$$

then the indicator sequence t satisfies:

$$t = X_{N-1}X_{N-2}\ldots X_1(g) \; .$$

We list the following properties of *t*:

Lemma 5. (i) Let $e = X_{j-1} \dots X_1(g)$, $(j = 2, \dots, N)$, g being defined above, then:

$$t_n = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{whenever } n = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^N \varepsilon_i \, p^{N-i}, \varepsilon_i \notin B \text{ for any } i = 1, \dots, N-j \\ e_{\text{Mod}(n-1, p^j)+1}, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}, n = 1, \dots, p^N.$$

(ii) If $\sum_{n=1}^{p} g_n = c$, $2 \le c < p$, then: $\sum_{n=1}^{p^j} e_n = c^j$. (iii) $t_n = 0$ for all *n* satisfying: $p^{i-1} + 1 \le n \le 2p^{i-1}$, i = 1, ..., N.

Proof.

(i) and (ii) are elementary.

(iii) Since $1 \notin B$ [see (3.1)], we have $t_n = 0$ whenever $\varepsilon_i = 1$, i.e., $t_n = 0$ whenever $p^{i-1} + 1 \le n \le 2p^{i-1}$.

Lemma 6. Let t be the indicator sequence of a Cantor language, then:

- (a) $\langle t, h_r \rangle \neq 0$ for any $r = 1, \ldots, p$.
- (b) Let j = 1, ..., N 1, $s = 1, ..., p^{j}$. If $\langle t, h_{p^{j}+s} \rangle \neq 0$, then $\langle t, h_{kp^{j}+s} \rangle \neq 0$ for any k = 1, ..., p 1.
- (c) $\langle t, h_{p^j+s} \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow t_n = 0$ for all *n* satisfying $n = (s-1)p^{N-j} + 1, \dots, sp^{N-j}$.

(d)
$$\langle t, h_{p^j+s} \rangle = 0 \Leftrightarrow \langle t, h_{kp^j+s} \rangle = 0$$
 for any $k = 1, \dots, p-1$.

Proof.

(a) The case r = 1 is obvious (see Lemma 5 (ii) for j = N). For r = 2, ..., p, we have:

$$\langle t, h_r \rangle = h_{r,1} \sum_{l=1}^{(p-r+1)p^{N-1}} t_l - h_{r,(p-r+1)p^{N-1}+1} \sum_{l=(p-r+1)p^{N-1}+1}^{(p-r+2)p^{N-1}} t_l .$$
(3.2)

First case: If $(p-r+1) \notin B$, then Lemma 5 (i) implies that the last term in the right-hand side of Equation (3.2) vanishes, so: $\langle t, h_r \rangle = h_{r,1} \sum_{l=1}^{(p-r+1)p^{N-1}} t_l > 0$.

Second case: If $(p - r + 1) \in B$, then we apply Lemma 5 (i) in Equation (3.2) and we have:

$$\langle t, h_r \rangle = \left((p - r + 1)h_{r,1} - h_{r,(p - r + 1)p^{N-1} + 1} \right) \sum_{l=1}^{p^{N-1}} (X_{N-2} \dots X_1(g))_l ,$$

so $\langle t, h_r \rangle < 0$ as a result of Lemma 5 (iii).

(b) We suppose that $\langle t, h_{p^j+s} \rangle \neq 0$. Since $\sup\{h_{kp^j+s}\} \subseteq \{n : n = (s-1)p^{N-j} + 1, \dots, sp^{N-j}\}$ for any $k = 1, \dots, p-1$ and since the row h_{kp^j+s} is an sp^{N-j} translation of the row h_{kp^j+1} , we have:

$$\langle t, h_{kpj+s} \rangle = \sum_{l=(s-1)p^{N-j}+1}^{sp^{N-j}} (X_{N-j-1} \dots X_1(g))_l h_{kpj+s,l} = \sum_{l=1}^{p^{N-j}} (X_{N-j-1} \dots X_1(g))_l h_{kpj+1,l}$$

$$= h_{kpj+1,1} \sum_{l=1}^{(p-k)p^{N-j-1}} (X_{N-j-1} \dots X_1(g))_l - h_{kpj+1,(p-k)p^{N-j-1}+1} \sum_{l=(p-k)p^{N-j-1}+1}^{(p-k+1)p^{N-j-1}} (X_{N-j-1} \dots X_1(g))_l$$

We use the same methodology as in part (a) to deduce that for $p-k \notin B$ we get $\langle t, h_{kp^j+s} \rangle > 0$, whereas for $p-k \in B$ we get $\langle t, h_{kp^j+s} \rangle < 0$. (c) It suffices to examine the case:

$$\langle t, h_{p^j+s} \rangle = 0 \Rightarrow t_n = 0$$
 for all *n* satisfying: $n = (s-1)p^{N-j} + 1, \dots, sp^{N-j}$.

If $\sum_{l=(s-1)p^{N-j}+1}^{sp^{N-j}} t_l \neq 0$, then the proof presented in part (b) indicates that $\langle t, h_{p^j+s} \rangle \neq 0$, which is a contradiction.

(d) Obvious, combine parts (b) and (c).

Proposition 1. For any k = 1, ..., p - 1, the indicator sequence t of a Cantor-type language satisfies:

$$\langle t, h_{k+1} \rangle = \frac{c^j}{\sqrt{p^j}} \langle t, h_{kp^j+s} \rangle, j = 1, \dots, N-1, s = 1, \dots, p^j$$

provided that $\langle t, h_{kp^j+s} \rangle \neq 0$. Notice that *c* is the cardinality of the support of the set *B* defined in (3.1).

Proof. Let $\langle t, h_{kp^j+s} \rangle \neq 0$, then Lemma 6 (d) indicates that $\langle t, h_{kp^j+s} \rangle = \langle t, h_{kp^j+1} \rangle$, thus it suffices to prove: $\langle t, h_{k+1} \rangle = \frac{c^j}{\sqrt{p^j}} \langle t, h_{kp^j+1} \rangle$. We denote by $M^{p,j} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^{N-j-1}}} D_{p^{N-j-1}} (\Psi^p)$ and we observe that $h_{kp^j+1} = (M^{p,j})_k$. Moreover, $h_{kp^j+1} = 0$ for all $n > p^{N-j}$. Now, we calculate:

$$\begin{split} \langle t, h_{k+1} \rangle &= \sum_{r=1}^{p^{N}} t_{r} h_{k+1,r} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^{N-1}}} \sum_{r=1}^{p^{N}} t_{r} \left(D_{p^{N-1}} \left(\Psi^{p} \right) \right)_{k,r} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^{N-1}}} \sum_{q=0}^{p^{N-j-1}} \sum_{\nu=1}^{p^{j}} t_{qp^{j}+\nu} \left(D_{p^{N-1}} \left(\Psi^{p} \right) \right)_{k,qp^{j}+\nu} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^{j}}} \sum_{q=0}^{p^{N-j-1}} \sum_{\nu=1}^{p^{j}} t_{qp^{j}+\nu} \left(D_{p^{j}} \left(M^{p,j} \right) \right)_{k,qp^{j}+\nu} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^{j}}} \sum_{q=0}^{p^{N-j-1}} \sum_{\nu=1}^{p^{j}} t_{qp^{j}+\nu} \left(M^{p,j} \right)_{k,q+1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^{j}}} \sum_{q=1}^{p^{N-j}} \left(M^{p,j} \right)_{k,q} \sum_{\nu=1}^{p^{j}} t_{(q-1)p^{j}+\nu} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^{j}}} \sum_{q=1}^{p^{N-j}} \sum_{q=1}^{p^{N-j}} \left(M^{p,j} \right)_{k,q} \left(M^{p,j} \right)_{k,q} \left(M^{p,j} \right)_{k,q} \sum_{\nu=1}^{p^{j}} \left(X_{j-1} \dots X_{1}(g) \right)_{\nu} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{p^{j}}} \sum_{q=1}^{p^{N-j}} \left(M^{p,j} \right)_{k,q} \left(X_{N-j-1} \dots X_{1}(g) \right)_{q} \sum_{\nu=1}^{p^{j}} \left(X_{j-1} \dots X_{1}(g) \right)_{\nu} \\ &= \frac{c_{j}}{\sqrt{p^{j}}} \sum_{q=1}^{p^{N-j}} \left(M^{p,j} \right)_{k,q} \left(X_{N-j-1} \dots X_{1}(g) \right)_{q} = \frac{c_{j}}{\sqrt{p^{j}}} \left\langle t, h_{kp^{j}+1} \right\rangle. \end{split}$$

Theorem 2. Let Q be the set of zeros of the Haar coefficients of the indicator sequence t of a Cantor language, then:

(a)

$$Q = \bigcup_{j=1}^{N-1} \left(R_j + S_j \right) \,,$$

where $R_j = \{rp^j : r = 0, ..., p - 2\}$ and $S_j = \{k = p^j + 1 + \sum_{s=0}^{j-1} \varepsilon_s p^{j-1-s} : at least one \varepsilon_s \notin B\}.$ (b)

$$t_n = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \sum_{\substack{m=p^i+1\\m\notin(R_i+S_i)}}^{p^{i+1}} \frac{\sqrt{p^i}}{c^i} \left\langle t, h_{\left[\frac{m}{p^i}\right]} \right\rangle h_{n,m} ,$$

where *c* is the cardinality of the support of the set *B* defined in (3.1).

Proof.

(a) Let $Q_j = \{p^j + 1 \le k \le p^{j+1} : \langle t, h_k \rangle = 0\}, j = 0, \dots, N-1$. Lemma 6 (a) indicates that $Q_0 = \emptyset$. Lemma 6 (d) implies that:

$$Q_j = \{s + rp^j : s \in S_j, r = 0, \dots, (p-2)\},\$$

where $S_j = \{p^j + 1 \le s \le 2p^{j+1} : \langle t, h_{p^j+s} \rangle = 0\}$. Lemma 6 (c) indicates that $\langle t, h_{p^j+s} \rangle = 0$ if and only if $t_n = 0$ for all *n* satisfying $n = (s-1)p^{N-j} + 1, \ldots, p^{N-j}$ and so by Lemma 5 (i), S_j can be written as:

$$S_j = \left\{ k = p^j + 1 + \sum_{s=0}^{j-1} \varepsilon_s p^{j-1-s} : \text{at least one } \varepsilon_s \notin B \right\} .$$

(b) It is clear that

$$t_n = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \sum_{m=p^i+1}^{p^{i+1}} \langle t, h_m \rangle h_{n,m} = \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \sum_{\substack{m=p^i+1\\m \notin (R_i+S_i)}}^{p^i+1} \langle t, h_m \rangle h_{n,m} .$$

Proposition 1 completes the proof.

4. Haar-Riesz Products Associated to the Matrices H(m)

Let m = 2, 3, ..., we call Haar-Riesz product associated to the sequence of complex numbers $a = \{a_n : n = 1, ..., m\}$ the expression:

$$t_n = \prod_{k=1}^m (1 + a_k h_{k,n}) \, ,$$

where h_k are rows of the matrix H(m). In Proposition 2 we show the relation between t and a and in Theorem 3 we present an iteration process for the computation of a. First, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 7. Let $1 \le r_1 < r_2 < \ldots < r_q \le m$ be a strictly increasing sequence of positive integers, then:

$$\prod_{n=1}^{q} h_{r_n} = \left(\prod_{n=1}^{q-1} h_{r_n,q_0}\right) h_{r_q} ,$$

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where h_{r_q,q_0} is the first nonzero element of the r_q -row of the matrix H(m).

Proof. Immediate consequence of Lemma 4.

Proposition 2. Let $\{a_1, \ldots, a_m\}$ be the sequence of Haar-Riesz coefficients associated to the Haar-Riesz product $t_n = \prod_{k=1}^m (1 + a_k h_{k,n})$. If $\langle t, h_1 \rangle \neq 0$, then:

$$\langle t, h_s \rangle = \begin{cases} a_1 + \sqrt{m}, & s = 1\\ a_s \prod_{k=1}^{s-1} (1 + a_k h_{k,s_0}), & s = 2, \dots, m \end{cases}$$

where h_{s,s_0} is the first nonzero element of the row h_s .

Proof. $t_n = \prod_{k=1}^m (1 + a_k h_{k,n})$ $=1+\sum_{k=1}^{m}a_{k}h_{k,n}+\sum_{k_{1}=1}^{m-1}\sum_{k_{2}=k_{1}+1}^{m}a_{k_{1}}a_{k_{2}}h_{k_{1},n}h_{k_{2},n}+\ldots+(a_{1}\ldots a_{m})(h_{1,n}\ldots h_{m,n}).$

We apply Lemma 7 and we have:

$$t_n = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k h_{k,n} + \sum_{k_1=1}^{m-1} \sum_{k_2=k_1+1}^m a_{k_1} a_{k_2} h_{k_1,k_2^0} h_{k_2,n} + \ldots + (a_1 \ldots a_m) \left(\prod_{j=1}^{m-1} h_{k_j,k_m^0} \right) h_{m,n} ,$$

where h_{k_i,k_0^i} is the first nonzero element of the row h_{k_i} .

If s = 1, then $\langle t, h_1 \rangle = \langle 1, h_1 \rangle + \sum_{k=1}^m a_k \langle h_k, h_1 \rangle + 0 + \dots + 0 = \sqrt{m} + a_1$. Let s > 1. Define h_{s,s_0} the first nonzero element of the row h_s , then the orthonormality of the matrix H(m) implies that:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle t, h_s \rangle &= a_s + \sum_{k_1=1}^{m-1} \sum_{k_2=k_1+1}^m a_{k_1} a_{k_2} h_{k_1, k_2^0} \delta_{k_2, s} + \dots + (a_1 \dots a_s) \left(\prod_{j=1}^{s-1} h_{k_j, s_0} \right) \\ &= a_s \left(1 + \sum_{k_1=1}^{s-1} a_{k_1} h_{k_1, s_0} + \sum_{k_1=1}^{m-2} \sum_{k_2=k_1+1}^{m-1} a_{k_1} a_{k_2} \left(\prod_{j=1}^2 h_{k_j, s_0} \right) + \dots + (a_1 \dots a_{s-1}) \left(\prod_{j=1}^{s-1} h_{k_j, s_0} \right) \right) \\ &= a_s \prod_{k=1}^{s-1} \left(1 + a_k h_{k, s_0} \right) . \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3. Let $t = \{t_1, \ldots, t_m\}$ be a sequence of complex numbers such that $\langle t, h_i \rangle \neq t$ 0, for any i = 1, ..., m, then there exists a unique sequence of coefficients $\{a_n : n = n\}$ $1, \ldots, m$ satisfying:

$$t_n = \prod_{k=1}^m \left(1 + a_k h_{k,n} \right) \, .$$

Moreover, the coefficients $\{a_n\}$ *satisfy:*

$$a_n = \begin{cases} \langle t, h_1 \rangle - \sqrt{m} & n = 1 \\ \frac{\langle t, h_n \rangle}{\prod_{k=1}^{n-1} \left(1 + a_k h_{k, n_0} \right)}, & n = 2, \dots, m \end{cases},$$

where h_{n,n_0} is the first nonzero entry of the row h_n .

Proof. Obvious, see Proposition 2. The fact that the matrix H(m) is orthonormal ensures the uniqueness of the coefficients.

Remark 3. The assumption that all inner products must be non zero, can be relaxed as follows: Given *t* as above and $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a Haar-Riesz product such that $|t_n - \prod_{k=1}^m (1 + a_k h_{k,n})| < \varepsilon$. In fact, replace *t* with a data *t'* such that $|t - t'| < \varepsilon$ and whose all inner products are nonzero.

Proposition 3. Any continuous positive measure μ on [0, 1] can be approximated in the weak-* topology by a sequence of Haar-Riesz products { $\mu_m, m = 2, 3, ...$ }:

$$d\mu_m = \prod_{k=1}^m \left(1 + a_k h_k(x)\right) \, dx \; ,$$

where $h_k(x) = h_{k,n}, x \in \left[\frac{n-1}{m}, \frac{n}{m}\right), k, n = 1, ..., m, h_{k,n}$ is the (k, n) entry of the matrix H(m) and a_k are the corresponding coefficients.

Proof. Apply Theorem 3 and Remark 3 on $t = \{t_k : k = 1, ..., m\}$, where $t_m = \{\int_{k/m}^{(k+1)/m} d\mu, k = 1, ..., m\}$.

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