

What are wavelet packets?

Packets are superposition of the wavelet basis functions $v[i]$: $P(t) = \sum_i \{c[i] * v[i]\}$ where $c[i]$ are coefficients defined by the wavelet filters. A Wavelet Packet Decomposition (WPD) is obtained by applying the wavelet decomposition steps to the data in the wavelet domain - This is what has been used by coherent waveburst for the analysis of the initial LIGO data. The purpose of such analysis was a uniform tiling of the time-frequency plane.

The WDM transform already produces a uniform tiling of the TF plane - why WDM packets?

The packet construction presented here has entirely different purpose of solving a specific problem in the time-frequency analysis: A time domain data $(x(t), X(t))$ from a single detector is converted to the multi-resolution time-frequency data (\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{W}) with the WDM frame (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{V}) , where the low/upper case letters denote 0/90-degrees phase data. The collection of the WDM basis functions (\mathbf{v}, \mathbf{V}) includes several TF-resolutions. Given a TF cluster, the reconstruction targets to obtain the time-domain representation of the cluster $(y(t), Y(t))$ from (\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{W}) . Such time domain representation is constructed as superposition of WDM basis functions $v(t)$ and $V(t)$ - e.g. WDM packet.

Construction of WDM packets.

Unlike for WDP where the packet coefficients $c[i]$ are fixed, the construction of WDM packets is dependent on data. The procedure is as follows:

- let's define a scalar product $(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{W}) = \sum_i \{w[i] * W[i]\}$ and norm $|\mathbf{w}|^2 = \sum_i \{w[i] * w[i]\}$ where $w[i]/W[i]$ are 0/90-degrees phase WDM amplitudes at the TF index i .
- find \cos (denoted as c) and \sin (denoted as s) for transformation of the cluster data vectors (\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{W}) so the scalar product $(\mathbf{w}'|\mathbf{W}') = 0$

$$(1a) \mathbf{w}' = \mathbf{w} * c + \mathbf{W} * s ; s \sim (\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{W})$$

$$(1b) \mathbf{W}' = \mathbf{W} * c - \mathbf{w} * s ; c \sim |\mathbf{w}|^2 - |\mathbf{W}|^2$$

$$(1c) a = |\mathbf{w}'|, A = |\mathbf{W}'| - \text{packet amplitudes}$$

$$(1d) u = \mathbf{w}'/a, U = \mathbf{W}'/A - \text{packet unity vector}$$

- Define WDM 0/90-degrees phase packets

$$(2a) p(t) = \sum_i \{u[i] * v[i](t) + U[i] * V[i](t)\} = uv(t) + UV(t)$$

$$(2b) P(t) = \sum_i \{u[i] * V[i](t) - U[i] * v[i](t)\} = uV(t) - Uv(t)$$

It should be noted that $(p|P) = 0$ and the sum is taken over pixels in the WDM cluster

- the packet functions satisfy the following identities

$$(3a) (x|uv) = a^*c, (x|Uv) = -A^*s$$

$$(3b) (x|uV) = a^*s, (x|UV) = A^*c$$

$$(3c) (X|uv) = -a^*s, (X|Uv) = -A^*c$$

$$(3d) (X|uV) = a^*c, (X|UV) = -A^*s$$

and therefore

$$(4a) (x|p) = (a+A)^*c$$

$$(4b) (x|P) = (a+A)^*s$$

$$(4c) (p|P) = 0 - \text{orthogonal}$$

- given a cluster (\mathbf{w}, \mathbf{W}) the reconstructed time series $y(t)$ is

$$(5a) y(t) = (a+A)^*c \cdot p(t)/|p|^2 + (a+A)^*s \cdot P(t)/|P|^2$$

$$(5b) (y|p) = (a+A)^*c$$

$$(5c) (y|P) = (a+A)^*s$$

here $|p|^2$ and $|P|^2$ are the packet norms that are defined with the WDM cross-talk coefficients:

$$(v[i]|v[j]), (v[i]|V[j]), (V[i]|V[j]))$$