

# A UNIFIED APPROACH TO FOURIER-CLIFFORD-PROMETHEUS SEQUENCES, TRANSFORMS AND FILTER BANKS

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**Abstract** In this paper we develop a new unified approach to the so-called generalized *Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus sequences, transforms* (FCPTs) and *M-channel Filter Banks*. It is based on a new generalized FCPT-generating construction. This construction has a rich algebraic structure that supports a wide range of fast algorithms.

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## 1. Introduction

The basis which has come to be known as the *Prometheus Orthonormal Set* (PONS) was introduced in [1] to prove the H.S. SHAPIRO global uncertainty principle conjecture. Each function in PONS is called a *Golay-Shapiro sequence*. They are defined on  $[0, 1]$ , piecewise  $\pm 1$  and can change sign only at points of the form  $j/2^n$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, 2^n - 1$ ,  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ . These basis functions satisfy almost all standard properties of the Walsh functions. Discrete classical Fourier-Prometheus Transforms (FPT) in bases of different Golay-Shapiro sequences can be used in many signal processing applications: multiresolution by discrete orthogonal wavelet decomposition, digital audio, digital video broadcasting, communication systems (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiplexing, Multi-Code Code-Division Multiple Access), radar, and cryptographic systems.

Golay-Shapiro (GS) 2-complementary ( $\pm 1$ )-valued sequences associated with the cyclic group  $\mathbf{Z}_2$  were introduced by SHAPIRO and GOLAY

in 1949–1951 [2]–[7]. In 1961, Golay [3] gave an explicit construction for binary Golay complementary pairs of length  $2^m$  and later noted [4] that the construction implies the existence of at least  $2^m m! / 2$  binary Golay sequences of this length. They are known to exist for all lengths  $N = 2^\alpha 10^\beta 26^\gamma$ , where  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$  are integers and  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \geq 0$  [8], but do not exist for any length  $N$  having a prime factor congruent to 3 modulo 4 [9]. BUDISIN [10] using the earlier work of SIVASWAMY [11], gave a more general recursive construction for Golay complementary pairs and showed that the set of all binary Golay complementary pairs of length  $2^m$  obtainable from it coincides with those given explicitly by Golay [3]. For a survey of results on nonbinary Golay Complementary pairs, see [12]–[13]. Recently, DAVIS and JEDWAB [14], combining results appearing in the work of Golay and Shapiro cited above, gave an explicit description of a large class of Golay complementary sequences in terms of certain cosets of the first order Reed-Muller codes. The following general elements are used for building the classical Fourier-Prometheus transforms in bases of classical Golay-Shapiro sequences: 1) the Abelian group  $\mathbf{Z}_2^n$ , 2) the 2-point Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}_2$ , and 3) the complex field  $\mathbf{C}$ ; i.e., these transforms are associated with the triple  $(\mathbf{Z}_2^n, \mathcal{F}_2, \mathbf{C})$ .

The multiresolution analysis (MRA) operates upon a discrete signal  $x(l)$  of length  $2^n$ , where  $n$  is an integer. The sequence  $x(l)$  is convolved with two filters  $L$  and  $H$ . Each convolution results in a sequence half the length of the original sequence. The result from the convolution with the low-pass filter is again transformed. Each re-transformed sequence of the low-pass output is referred to as a dilation. For a sequence  $x(l)$  of length  $2^n$ , a maximum of  $n$  dilations can be performed. MRA applied to a real-valued sequence  $x(l)$  is defined recursively by the equations:

$$c^{(p)}(l) = L \left\{ c^{(p-1)}(l) \right\}, \quad d^{(p)} = H \left\{ c^{(p-1)}(l) \right\},$$

where  $p = n, n-1, \dots, 1, 0$ ,  $c^n(l) = x(l)$ , and

$$c(l) = (Lx)(l) = \sum_{l=0}^{2^n-1} k_{lp}(l-2k)x(l),$$

$$d(l) = (Hx)(l) = \sum_{l=0}^{2^n-1} k_{hp}(l-2k)x(l)$$

are low-pass and high-pass filters, respectively.

The sequences  $c^{(p)}(l)$  and  $d^{(p)}(l)$  are called the “averages” and “differences” of the original signal. The inverse discrete wavelet transform reconstructs  $c^{(n)}(l) = x(l)$  using the recursive algorithm

$$c^{(p+1)}(l) = L^* \{ c^{(p)}(l) \} + H^* \{ d^{(p)}(l) \},$$

where  $L^*$  and  $H^*$  are the inverse filters of  $L$  and  $H$ , respectively. All filters  $L$ ,  $H$ , and  $L^*$ ,  $H^*$ , satisfy the following equation  $LL^* = I$ ,  $HH^* = I$ , and

$$LL^* + HH^* = 2I, \quad LH^* = H^*L = 0, \quad (1)$$

where  $I$  and  $0$  denote the identity and zero operators. Note that a pair of filters having these properties required of the transformations  $L$  and  $H$  are known as quadrature mirror filters, having the perfect reconstruction property.

The conditions (1) can be rewritten in terms of the  $\mathcal{Z}$ -transform as

$$|k_{lp}(z)|^2 + |k_{hp}(z)|^2 = 2, \quad \bar{k}_{lp}(z)k_{lp}(-z) + \bar{k}_{hp}(z)k_{hp}(-z) = 0, \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{T}_1$$

where  $\mathbb{T}_1$  is the unit circle of the complex field  $\mathbb{C}$ . These conditions mean that impulse responses  $k_{lp}(l)$  and  $k_{hp}(l)$  form a Golay-Shapiro (GS) 2-complementary pair.

In this paper we develop a new unified approach to the so-called generalized *Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus* (FCP) *sequences*, FCP *transforms* (FCPTs), and *M-channel Filter Banks*. We describe the precise theoretical and computational relationship between  $M$ -band wavelets,  $M$ -channel filterbanks and generalized Golay-Shapiro sequences. The approach is based on a new generalized FCPT-generating construction. This construction has a rich algebraic structure that supports a wide range of fast algorithms. This construction is associated not with the triple  $(\mathbf{Z}_2^n, \mathcal{F}_2, \mathbf{C})$ , but rather with other groups instead of  $\mathbf{Z}_2^n$ , other unitary transforms instead of  $\mathcal{F}_2$ , and other algebras (Clifford algebras) instead of the complex field  $\mathbf{C}$ .

## 2. New construction of classical and multiparametric Prometheus transforms

We begin by describing the original Golay 2-complementary  $(\pm 1)$ -valued sequences.

**DEFINITION 1** Let  $\mathbf{p}(t) := (p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{N-1})$ ,  $\mathbf{q}(t) := (q_0, q_1, \dots, q_{N-1})$ , where  $p_i, q_i \in \{\pm 1\}$ . The sequences  $\mathbf{p}(t), \mathbf{q}(t)$  are called a 2-complementary  $(\pm 1)$ -valued or Golay complementary pair over  $\{\pm 1\}$  if

$$\text{COR}[\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{p}](\tau) + \text{COR}[\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{q}](\tau) = N\delta(\tau),$$

or

$$|\mathbf{p}(z)|^2 + |\mathbf{q}(z)|^2 = N, \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{T}_1,$$

where  $\text{COR}[\mathbf{f}, \mathbf{f}](\tau)$  is the periodic correlation function of  $\mathbf{f}(t)$ ;  $\mathbf{p}(z)$  and  $\mathbf{q}(z)$  are  $\mathcal{Z}$ -transforms of  $\mathbf{p}(t)$  and  $\mathbf{q}(t)$ , respectively. Any sequence which is a member of a Golay complementary pair is called a Golay sequence.

The Fourier-Prometheus matrix of depth  $n$  has size  $2^n \times 2^n$ :  $\mathcal{FP}_{2^n} = [\Pr_{\alpha}(t)]_{\alpha, t=0}^{2^n-1}$ . For  $\alpha$  and  $t$  we shall use binary representations  $\alpha = \alpha_{[n]} := (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$ ,  $t = t_{[n]} := (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$ , where  $\alpha_i, t_i \in \{0, 1\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Obviously,  $\alpha_{[1]} = (\alpha_1)$ ,  $\alpha_{[2]} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2)$ ,  $\alpha_{[3]} = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3)$ ,  $\dots$   $t_{[1]} = (t_1)$ ,  $t_{[2]} = (t_1, t_2)$ ,  $t_{[n]} = (t_1, t_2, \dots, t_n)$ ,  $\dots$ . For this reason,

$$2^n \mathcal{FP}_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, \alpha_n)} = \begin{bmatrix} \Pr_{(0,0,\dots,0,0)}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \\ \Pr_{(0,0,\dots,0,1)}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \\ \Pr_{(0,0,\dots,1,0)}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \\ \Pr_{(0,0,\dots,1,1)}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \\ \dots \\ \dots \\ \Pr_{(1,1,\dots,1,0)}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \\ \Pr_{(1,1,\dots,1,1)}(t_1, \dots, t_n) \end{bmatrix} = \boxplus_{\alpha_{[n-1]}=0}^{2^{n-1}-1} \begin{bmatrix} \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 0)}(t) \\ \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 1)}(t) \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 0)}(t)$  and  $\Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 1)}(t)$  are a pair of GS 2-complementary sequences and  $\boxplus$  represents the vertical concatenation of matrices.

The classical matrix  $\mathcal{FP}_{2^n}$  is formed by starting with the  $(2 \times 2)$ -matrix  $2^1 \mathcal{FP} = \begin{bmatrix} \Pr_0(t) \\ \Pr_1(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$  and by repeated application of the **PONS**-iteration construction to pairs of rows in the matrix.

In the  $(n+1)$ st iteration this construction takes each pair  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p} \\ \mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 0)}(t) \\ \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 1)}(t) \end{bmatrix}$  of

$$2^n \mathcal{FP}_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, \alpha_n)} = \boxplus_{\alpha_{[n-1]}=0}^{2^{n-1}-1} \begin{bmatrix} \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 0)}(t) \\ \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 1)}(t) \end{bmatrix}$$

and constructs four rows of twice the length

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{PONS}(\mathbf{p}, \mathbf{q}) &= \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p} & \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{p} & -\mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{q} & \mathbf{p} \\ -\mathbf{q} & -\mathbf{p} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{p} & \mathbf{q} \\ \mathbf{p} & -\mathbf{q} \end{bmatrix} \boxplus \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q} & \mathbf{p} \\ -\mathbf{q} & -\mathbf{p} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & \mathbf{p} \\ 1 & -1 & \mathbf{q} \end{array} \right] \right) \boxplus \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & \mathbf{q} \\ 1 & -1 & \mathbf{p} \end{array} \right] \right) \\ &= \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & \mathbf{p} \\ 1 & -1 & \mathbf{q} \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{array} \right] \right) \boxplus \left( \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} 1 & 1 & \mathbf{p} \\ 1 & -1 & \mathbf{q} \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 1 & \\ & 1 \end{array} \right] \right) \\ &= \left( \mathcal{F}_2 \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} \mathbf{p} & & \\ \mathbf{q} & & \end{array} \right] T_2^0 \right) \boxplus \left( \mathcal{F}_2 \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c} \mathbf{p} & & \\ \mathbf{q} & & \end{array} \right] T_2^1 \right), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\{T^{\alpha_1}\}_{\alpha_1=0}^1$  are dyadic shifts. Using this construction for all  $2^{k-2}$  complementary pairs  $(\alpha_{[k-2]} = 0, 1, \dots, 2^{k-2} - 1)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{n+1} \mathcal{FP}_{(\alpha_{[n]}, \alpha_{n+1})} &= \boxplus_{\alpha_{[n]}=0}^{2^n-1} \left( \mathcal{F}_2 \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{p} & \\ \hline & \mathbf{q} \end{array} \right] T_2^{\alpha_n} \right) \\ &= \boxplus_{\alpha_{[n]}=0}^{2^n-1} \left( \mathcal{F}_2 \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \text{Pr}_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 0)}(t) & \\ \hline & \text{Pr}_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 1)}(t) \end{array} \right] T_2^{\alpha_n} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

Repetition of this construction yields the Fourier-Prometheus matrix  $2^{n+1} \mathcal{FP}$  of size  $2^{n+1} \times 2^{n+1}$ .

Our new PONS construction uses in (2) three parametric unitary matrices

$$\mathcal{U}_2(\beta, \varphi, \gamma) = \begin{bmatrix} e^{i(\beta+\gamma)} \cos \varphi & e^{i(\beta-\gamma)} \sin \varphi \\ e^{-i(\beta-\gamma)} \sin \varphi & -e^{-i(\beta+\gamma)} \cos \varphi \end{bmatrix}$$

instead of  $\mathcal{F}_2$  :

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{n+1} \mathcal{FP}_{(\alpha_{[n]}, \alpha_{n+1})}(\vec{\beta}_{n+1}, \vec{\varphi}_{n+1}, \vec{\gamma}_{n+1}) &= \boxplus_{\alpha_{[n]}=0}^{2^n-1} \left( \mathcal{U}(\beta_{n+1}, \varphi_{n+1}, \gamma_{n+1}) \right. \\ &\left. * \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \text{Pr}_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 0)}(t | \vec{\beta}_n, \vec{\varphi}_n, \vec{\gamma}_n) & \\ \hline & \text{Pr}_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 1)}(t | \vec{\beta}_n, \vec{\varphi}_n, \vec{\gamma}_n) \end{array} \right] T_2^{\alpha_k} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

where

$$\vec{\beta}_{n+1} = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_{n+1}), \quad \vec{\varphi}_{n+1} = (\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_{n+1}), \quad \vec{\gamma}_{n+1} = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_{n+1})$$

are three  $(n+1)$ D vectors of parameters. Extra parameters  $\beta_k, \varphi_k, \gamma_k$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots, n+1$ ) are changed from stage to stage in this construction. The resulting matrix still has orthogonal rows and every pair is 2-complementary in the Golay-Shapiro sense.

### 3. PONS associated with Abelian groups

#### 3.1 Abelian groups $\mathbf{Z}_N^n$

A natural generalization of a 2-complementary Golay pair is an  $N$ -complementary Golay  $N$ -member orthogonal set of Clifford-valued sequences  $\mathbf{p}_0(t), \dots, \mathbf{p}_{N-1}(t)$ , where  $t = 0, 1, \dots, N^n - 1$ .

**DEFINITION 2** *Let  $\mathbf{p}_0(t), \mathbf{p}_1(t), \dots, \mathbf{p}_{N-1}(t)$  be an  $N$ -member orthogonal set of Clifford-valued sequences, where  $\mathbf{p}_i(t) \in \{\varepsilon_N^k\}_{k=0}^{N-1}$ ,  $\varepsilon_N :=$*

$e^{2\pi\mathbf{u}/N} \in \text{Cla}$ ,  $\text{Cla}$  is a Clifford algebra, and  $\mathbf{u}$  is an appropriate bivector with the property  $\mathbf{u}^2 = -1$ . The sequences  $\{\mathbf{p}_i(t)\}_{i=0}^{N-1}$  are called  $N$ -complementary  $\{\varepsilon_N^k\}_{k=0}^{N-1}$ -valued sequences of length  $N^n$  if

$$\text{COR}[\mathbf{p}_0, \mathbf{p}_0](\tau) + \dots + \text{COR}[\mathbf{p}_{N-1}, \mathbf{p}_{N-1}](\tau) = N^n \delta(\tau),$$

or  $|\mathbf{p}_0(z)|^2 + |\mathbf{p}_1(z)|^2 + \dots + |\mathbf{p}_{N-1}(z)|^2 = N^n$ ,  $\forall z \in \mathbb{T}_1$ , where  $\mathbf{p}_i(z)$  are  $\mathcal{Z}$ -transforms of  $\mathbf{p}_i(t)$ ,  $i = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$ , respectively.

Let, for example,  $N = 3$ . Then for the group  $\mathbf{Z}_3$  we define the Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transform as the Fourier-Clifford transform

$${}^3\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}\mathcal{P} := {}^3\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Pr}_0(t) \\ \text{Pr}_1(t) \\ \text{Pr}_2(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

For the group  $\mathbf{Z}_3^2$  we define the Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transform using the classical PONS-construction (2) by

$${}^3\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}\mathcal{P}_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2} = \boxplus_{\alpha_1=0}^2 \left( \mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}_3 \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \text{Pr}_0(t) & & \\ \hline & \text{Pr}_1(t) & \\ \hline & & \text{Pr}_2(t) \end{array} \right] T_3^{\alpha_1} \right)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 \end{array} & & \\ \hline & \begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 \end{array} & \\ \hline & & \begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 \end{array} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ \hline & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ & 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 \end{array} & & \\ \hline & & \begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ \hline & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ \hline & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ & 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 \end{array} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Pr}_{(0,0)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(0,1)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(0,2)}(t) \\ \hline \text{Pr}_{(1,0)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(1,1)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(1,2)}(t) \\ \hline \text{Pr}_{(2,0)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(2,1)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(2,2)}(t) \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $\{T^{\alpha_1}\}_{\alpha_1=0}^2$  are 3-cyclic shift operators. After  $n+1$  iterations we obtain the following Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transform on the group

$\mathbf{Z}_3^{n+1}$  :

$${}^{3^{n+1}}\mathcal{FCP}_{(\alpha_{[n]}, \alpha_{n+1})} = \boxplus_{\alpha_{[n]}=0}^{3^n-1} \left( \mathcal{FC}_3 \right. \\ \left. * \begin{bmatrix} \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 0)}(t) & & \\ \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 1)}(t) & & \\ & & \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 2)}(t) \end{bmatrix} T_3^{\alpha_n} \right).$$

The same expression is true for the Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transform on the group  $\mathbf{Z}_N^n$  :

$${}^{N^{n+1}}\mathcal{FCP}_{(\alpha_{[n]}, \alpha_{n+1})} = \boxplus_{\alpha_{[n]}=0}^{N^{[n]}-1} \left( \mathcal{FC}_N \right. \\ \left. * \begin{bmatrix} \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 0)}(t) & & & \\ \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, 1)}(t) & & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \Pr_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, N-1)}(t) \end{bmatrix} T_N^{\alpha_n} \right),$$

where  $\mathcal{FC}_N$  is the Fourier-Clifford transform on the group  $\mathbf{Z}_N$ ,

$$\{T^{\alpha_1}\}_{\alpha_1=0}^{N-1}$$

are  $N$ -cyclic shift operators.

### 3.2 Abelian groups $\mathbf{Z}_{N_1} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_2} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_n}$

Let  $\mathbf{Z}_{N_1} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_2} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_n}$  be an Abelian group, where  $N_1, N_2, \dots, N_n$  are positive integers. The classical Fourier-Prometheus transforms are generated by the Fourier-Walsh transform  $\mathcal{F}_2$  and by dyadic shifts. Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transforms associated with  $\mathbf{Z}_N^n$  are generated by the Fourier-Clifford transform  $\mathcal{FC}_N$  of the group  $\mathbf{Z}_N$  and by  $N$ -ary shifts. We shall generate new Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transforms associated with Abelian groups  $\mathbf{Z}_{N_1} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_2} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_n} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_{n+1}}$  by using the set of Fourier-Clifford transforms  $\mathcal{FC}_{N_1}, \mathcal{FC}_{N_2}, \dots, \mathcal{FC}_{N_n}, \mathcal{FC}_{N_{n+1}}$ . For example, the group  $\mathbf{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_3 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_4$  requires three Fourier-Clifford transforms

$$\mathcal{F}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{F}_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathcal{F}_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_4^1 & \varepsilon_4^2 & \varepsilon_4^3 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_4^2 & 1 & \varepsilon_4^2 \\ 1 & \varepsilon_4^3 & \varepsilon_4^2 & \varepsilon_4^1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Let us consider the group  $\mathbf{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_3$ .  $\mathcal{FCP}_2 = \mathcal{FC}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Pr}_0(t) \\ \text{Pr}_1(t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ . We define the Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transform associated with the Abelian group  $\mathbf{Z}_2 \oplus \mathbf{Z}_3$  by using the classical PONS construction

$${}^{2,3}\mathcal{FCP}_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)} = \boxplus_{\alpha_1=0}^1 \left( \mathcal{FC}_3 \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \text{Pr}_{\langle(\alpha_1, 0)\rangle_2}(t) & & \\ \hline & \text{Pr}_{\langle(\alpha_1, 1)\rangle_2}(t) & \\ \hline & & \text{Pr}_{\langle(\alpha_1, 2)\rangle_2}(t) \end{array} \right] T_3^{\alpha_1} \right),$$

where  $\langle(\alpha_1, \beta_2)\rangle_2 := (\alpha_1, \beta_2) \bmod 2$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{FCP}_{2,3} &= \left[ \begin{array}{ccc|ccc} 1 & 1 & 1 & & & \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 & & & \\ 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 & & & \\ \hline & & & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ & & & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ & & & 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{cc|c|cc} 1 & 1 & & & & \\ & & 1 & -1 & & \\ \hline & & 1 & 1 & & \\ & & & & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & -1 & & & & \\ & & & & 1 & -1 \end{array} \right] \\ &= \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ 1 & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & -\varepsilon_3 & \varepsilon_3^2 & \varepsilon_3^2 \\ \hline 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ \varepsilon_3^2 & -\varepsilon_3^2 & 1 & 1 & \varepsilon_3 & -\varepsilon_3 \\ \varepsilon_3 & -\varepsilon_3 & 1 & 1 & \varepsilon_3^2 & -\varepsilon_3^2 \end{array} \right] = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{Pr}_{(0,0)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(0,1)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(0,2)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(1,0)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(1,1)}(t) \\ \text{Pr}_{(1,2)}(t) \end{array} \right]. \quad (4) \end{aligned}$$

We design Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transforms associated with the Abelian groups  $\mathbf{Z}_{N_1} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_2} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{N_{n+1}}$  by the same classical PONS construction

$${}^{N^{[n+1]}}\mathcal{FCP}_{(\alpha_{[n]}, \alpha_{n+1})} = \boxplus_{\alpha_{[n]}=0}^{N^{[n]}-1} \left( \mathcal{FC}_{N_{n+1}} \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} \text{Pr}_{(\alpha_{[n-1]}, \langle 0 \rangle_{N_n})} & & \\ \hline & \ddots & \\ \hline & & \text{Pr}_{(\alpha^{(n-1)}, \langle N_{n+1}-1 \rangle_{N_n})} \end{array} \right] T_{N_{n+1}}^{\alpha_{[n]}} \right)$$

where  $\mathcal{F}_{N_{n+1}}$  is the Fourier-Clifford transform on the group  $\mathbf{Z}_{N_{n+1}}$ ,  $\langle \alpha_n + \beta_{n+1} \rangle_{n+1} := (\alpha_n + \beta_{n+1}) \bmod N_{n+1}$ ,  $\alpha_{[n]} := (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$ ,  $N^{[n]} := N_1 N_2 \dots N_n$ ,  $(\alpha_{[n]}, \beta_{n+1}) := (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_{n+1})$ , and, hence,

$$\langle (\alpha_{[n]}, \beta_{n+1}) \rangle_n := (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n, \beta_{n+1}) \bmod N_n.$$

## 4. Fast Fourier-Prometheus Transforms

### 4.1 Radix-2 Fast Transforms

Let us return to the Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transform

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathcal{FP}_{2^2} &= \begin{bmatrix} \Pr_{(0,0)}(t) \\ \Pr_{(0,1)}(t) \\ \Pr_{(1,0)}(t) \\ \Pr_{(1,1)}(t) \end{bmatrix} = \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \\
&= \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & \\ \hline & 1 \\ \hline & -1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & \\ \hline & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{cc|cc} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \end{array} \right] \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} 1 & \\ \hline & 1 \\ \hline & -1 \end{array} \right] \\
&= \Delta_0 \Pi_4 (\mathcal{F}_2 \otimes \mathcal{F}_2) \Delta_0, \tag{5}
\end{aligned}$$

where  $\Delta_0 := \mathbf{diag}(\Pr_0(t)) = \mathbf{diag}(\Pr_\alpha(0))$  is a diagonal matrix and  $\Pi_4$  is a special permutation matrix. From this expression we see that Prometheus functions up to constant factor are modulated Walsh functions:

$$\Pr'_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)}(t_1, t_2) = (-1)^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} \left[ \text{Wal}_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)}(t_1, t_2) (-1)^{t_1 t_2} \right],$$

where  $(-1)^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}$  and  $(-1)^{t_1 t_2}$  are the so-called Shapiro multipliers, and  $\text{Wal}_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)}(t_1, t_2) = (-1)^{\alpha_1 t_1 \oplus \alpha_2 t_2}$ . The same result is true in the general case for the Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus  $(2^n \times 2^n)$ -transform  $\mathcal{FP}_{2^n} = \Delta_0 \Pi_{2^n} (\mathcal{F}_2 \otimes \mathcal{F}_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_2) \Delta_0$ , where  $\Pi_{2^n}$  is a special permutation matrix and  $\Delta_0 = \mathbf{diag}(\Pr_0(t)) = \mathbf{diag}(\Pr_\alpha(0))$  is the diagonal matrix whose diagonal elements form the Shapiro  $(\pm 1)$ -multipliers. If  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$  is the binary representation of the number in the  $\alpha$ th row of  $\Delta_0$ , where  $\alpha_i \in \mathbf{Z}_2$ , then for diagonal elements  $\Delta_{\alpha, \alpha}$  we have the expression  $\Delta_{\alpha, \alpha} = (-1)^{\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \alpha_i \alpha_{i+1}}$ . The quantity  $b(\alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \alpha_i \alpha_{i+1}$  is the number of occurrences of the block  $B = (11)$  in the binary representation of  $\alpha$ ,  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_n)$ . For this reason the Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transform has the Cooley-Tukey fast algorithm

$$\mathcal{FP}_{2^n} = \Delta_0 \Pi_{2^n} \left[ CT_{2^n}^1 CT_{2^n}^2 \dots CT_{2^n}^n \right] \Delta_0, \tag{6}$$

where  $CT_{2^n}^i := I_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_2 \otimes \dots \otimes I_2$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are the so-called *Cooley-Tukey sparse matrices*.

Now we can prove that an analogous result is true for Davis-Jedwab Clifford-valued sequences. Let  $\mathbf{MC}_{2^h} = \{\varepsilon_{2^h}^k\}_{k=0}^{2^h-1}$  be the multiplicative cyclic group of  $2^h$ th roots of unity and  $\varepsilon_{2^h}$  be a  $2^h$ th primitive root in a

Clifford algebra  $\mathcal{C}la$ . Let  $(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n) \in \mathbf{Z}_{2^h}^n = \mathbf{Z}_{2^h} \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{2^h} \oplus \dots \oplus \mathbf{Z}_{2^h}$ , be an  $nD$  vector of parameters over  $\mathbf{Z}_{2^h}$ , where  $\mathbf{Z}_{2^h}^n$  is a set of  $nD$  vectors (labels). Let

$$\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}_2(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_k}) := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_k} \\ 1 & -\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_k} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \\ & \varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_k} \end{bmatrix}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad (7)$$

be a set of  $(2 \times 2)$ -matrices. Then the tensor product of these matrices

$$\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}\mathcal{P}\mathcal{D}\mathcal{J}_{2^n}^{(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)} := \Delta_0 \Pi_{2^n} \left( \mathcal{F}_2(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_1}) \otimes \mathcal{F}_2(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_2}) \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_2(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_n}) \right) \Delta_0 \quad (8)$$

gives us new multi-parametric Fourier-Prometheus transforms with fast Cooley-Tukey algorithm:

$$\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}\mathcal{P}\mathcal{D}\mathcal{J}_{2^n}^{(c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n)} = \Delta_0 \Pi_{2^n} \left[ CT_{2^n}^1(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_1}) CT_{2^n}^2(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_2}) \dots CT_{2^n}^n(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_n}) \right] \Delta_0, \quad (9)$$

where  $CT_{2^n}^k(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_k}) := \left[ I_2 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_2(\varepsilon_{2^h}^{c_k}) \otimes \dots \otimes I_2 \right]$ , and  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

## 4.2 Radix-N Fourier-Prometheus transforms

Let us consider the case of  $\mathbf{Z}_3^2$ . In this case  $\mathcal{F}\mathcal{C}\mathcal{P}_{3^2} = \Delta_0 \Pi_9 (\mathcal{F}_3 \otimes \mathcal{F}_3) \Delta_0$ , where  $\Delta_0 = \mathbf{diag}\{\Pr_{(0,0)}(t_1, t_2)\} = \mathbf{diag}\{\Pr_{(t_1, t_2)}(0, 0)\}$  and  $\Pi_9$  is a special permutation matrix. From this expression we see that Prometheus functions up to constant factor are modulated Chrestenson-Clifford sequences (i.e., Clifford-valued characters of the group  $\mathbf{Z}_3^2$ ):

$$\begin{aligned} \Pr'_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)}(t_1, t_2) &= \Pr_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)}(0, 0) \left[ \text{Ch}_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)}(t_1, t_2) \cdot \Pr_{(0,0)}(t_1, t_2) \right] \\ &= \varepsilon_3^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} \left[ \text{Ch}_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)}(t_1, t_2) \varepsilon_3^{t_1 t_2} \right] = \varepsilon_3^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} \left[ \varepsilon_3^{\alpha_1 t_1 \oplus_2 \alpha_2 t_2} \cdot \varepsilon_3^{t_1 t_2} \right], \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Pr_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2)}(0, 0) = \varepsilon_3^{\alpha_1 \alpha_2}$$

$$\Pr_{(0,0)}(t_1, t_2) = \varepsilon_3^{t_1 t_2},$$

and

$$\text{Ch}_{(\alpha_1, \alpha_1)}(t_1, t_2) = \varepsilon_3^{\alpha_1 t_1 \oplus_2 \alpha_2 t_2}.$$

For this reason, this Fourier-Clifford Prometheus transform has the Cooley-Tukey fast algorithm  $\mathcal{F}\mathcal{P}_{3^2} = \Delta_0 \Pi_9 \left[ CT_9^1 \cdot CT_9^2 \right] \Delta_0$ , where  $CT_9^1 := \mathcal{F}_3 \otimes I_3$ ,  $CT_9^2 = I_3 \otimes \mathcal{F}_3$ . The same result is true in the general case for Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus  $(3^n \times 3^n)$ -transforms

$$\mathcal{F}\mathcal{P}_{3^n} = \Delta_0 \Pi_{3^n} \left( \mathcal{F}_3 \otimes \mathcal{F}_3 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_3 \right) \Delta_0 = \Delta_0 \Pi_{3^n} \left[ CT_{3^n}^1 CT_{3^n}^2 \dots CT_{3^n}^n \right] \Delta_0,$$

where  $CT_{3^n}^i := I_3 \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_3 \otimes \dots \otimes I_3$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are the so-called *Cooley-Tukey sparse matrices*. Now we are ready to write the analogous expression for Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus  $(N^n \times N^n)$ -transforms

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{FP}_{N^n} &= \Delta_0 \Pi_{N^n} \left( \mathcal{F}_N \otimes \mathcal{F}_N \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_N \right) \Delta_0 \\ &= \Delta_0 \Pi_{N^n} \left[ CT_{N^n}^1 CT_{N^n}^2 \dots CT_{N^n}^n \right] \Delta_0, \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where  $CT_{N^n}^i := I_N \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_N \otimes \dots \otimes I_N$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are the so-called *Cooley-Tukey sparse matrices*. The same result is true in the general case for the Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus  $(N^{[n]} \times N^{[n]})$ -transform

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{FP}_{N^{[n]}} &= \Delta_0 \Pi_{N^n} \left( \mathcal{F}_{N_1} \otimes \mathcal{F}_{N_2} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_{N_n} \right) \Delta_0 \\ &= \Delta_0 \Pi_{N^n} \left[ CT_{N^{[n]}}^1 CT_{N^{[n]}}^2 \dots CT_{N^{[n]}}^n \right] \Delta_0, \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where  $\Delta_0 := \mathbf{diag}(\text{Pr}_0(t)) = \mathbf{diag}(\text{Pr}_\alpha(0))$  is a diagonal matrix and  $\Pi_{N^n}$  a permutation matrix, and  $CT_{N^{[n]}}^i := I_{N_1} \otimes \dots \otimes \mathcal{F}_{N_i} \otimes \dots \otimes I_{N_n}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  are the so-called *Cooley-Tukey sparse matrices*.

## 5. Conclusions

We have shown how Clifford algebras can be used to formulate a new unified approach to so-called generalized *Fourier-Clifford-Prometheus transforms*. It is based on a new generalized FCPT-generating construction. This construction has a rich algebraic structure that supports a wide range of fast algorithms. This construction is associated not with the triple  $(\mathbf{Z}_2^n, \mathcal{F}_2, \mathbf{C})$ , but rather with other groups instead of  $\mathbf{Z}_2^n$ , other unitary transforms instead of  $\mathcal{F}_2$ , and other algebras (Clifford algebras) instead of the complex field  $\mathbf{C}$ .

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