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Preface

We believe that the group-theoretic approach to spectral techniques and, in particular, Fourier analysis, has many advantages, for instance, the possibility for a unified treatment of various seemingly unrelated classes of signals. This approach allows to extend the powerful methods of classical Fourier analysis to signals that are defined on very different algebraic structures that reflect the properties of the modelled phenomenon.

Spectral methods that are based on finite Abelian groups play a very important role in many applications in signal processing and logic design. In recent years the interest in developing methods that are based on Finite non-Abelian groups has been steadily growing, and already, there are many examples of cases where the spectral methods based only on Abelian groups do not provide the best performance.

This monograph reviews research by the authors in the area of abstract harmonic analysis on finite non-Abelian groups. Many of the results discussed have already appeared in somewhat different forms in journals and conference proceedings.

We have aimed for presenting the results here in a consistent and self-contained way, with a uniform notation and avoiding repetition of well-known results from abstract harmonic analysis, except when needed for derivation, discussion and appreciation of the results. However, the results are accompanied, where necessary or appropriate, with a short discussion including comments concerning their relationship to the existing results in the area.

The purpose of this monograph is to provide a basis for further study in abstract harmonic analysis on finite Abelian and non-Abelian groups and its applications.

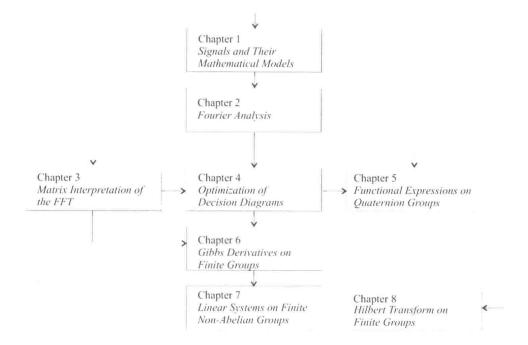


Fig. 0.1 Relationships among the chapters.

The monograph will hopefully stimulate new research that results in new methods and techniques to process signals modelled by functions on finite non-Abelian groups. Fig. 0.1 shows relationships among the chapters.

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Acronyms

ACDD Arithmetic transform decision diagram

BDD Binary decision diagram
BDT Binary decision tree
DD Decision diagram
DT Decision tree

DFT Discrete Fourier transform
FFT Fast Fourier transform
FDD Functional decision diagram

FNADD Fourier decision diagram on finite non-Abelian groups FNADT Fourier decision tree on finite non-Abelian groups

FNAPDD Fourier decision diagram on finite non-Abelian groups with preprocessing FNAPDT Fourier decision tree on finite non-Abelian groups with preprocessing

KDD Kronecker decision diagram

mvMTDD Matrix-valued multi-terminal decision diagram

MTBDD Multi-terminal binary decision diagram
MTBDT Multi-terminal binary decision tree

MDD Multiple-place diagram

MTDD Multi-terminal decision diagram
MTDT Multi-terminal decision tree

nvMTDD Number-valued multi-terminal decision diagram

PKDD Pseudo-Kronecker decision diagram
QDD Quaternary decision diagrams
SBDD Shared binary decision diagrams
TVFG Two-variable function generator

WDD Walsh decision diagram

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