



# The Unique Form of the Uncorrelated Optimal ZCZ Sequence Families



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#### Known (previous) constructions of the uncorrelated optimal ZCZ Sequences



**Brodzik**, polyphase (by ZaK transform) - IEEE TIT 2013

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- Exc.Harm.Ana. 2015

**Popović, multi-level polyphase (from perfect sequence)** - IEEE TIT 2018

\* he proved that Brodzik's constructions are special cases of this

**Zhang**, polyphase (from Mow's unified construction) - IEEE ISIT 2019

Fang and Wang, polyphase - IEEE ICICN 2022

\* with small alphabet size, based on the Popović's construction

Kim (myself) et al, polyphase - IEEE ISIT 2023

\* with **minimum** alphabet size, assuming the truth of Mow's conjecture

\* and using the Popović's construction



Contribution of this Talk



# Main Theorem:

#### any uncorrelated optimal ZCZ sequence family can be constructed from the Popovic's Construction:





Let *K* and *W* be positive integers

and  $\omega_N$  be a complex primitive *N* th root of unity.

Let  $\boldsymbol{g}_0, \boldsymbol{g}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{g}_{K-1}$  be (not necessarily distinct) perfect sequences all of length W.

Construct sequences  $\boldsymbol{b}_0, \boldsymbol{b}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{b}_{K-1}$  all of length *KW* as follows:

$$b_i(t) \triangleq g_i(t \pmod{W}) \omega_{KW}^{it}$$
  
for  $t = 0, 1, ..., KW - 1$ 

Then,  $\mathcal{B} = \{b_0, b_1, ..., b_{K-1}\}$  is a uncorrelated optimal ZCZ sequence family with ZCZ parameter (L = KW, K, W)



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- This result works when the optimal ZCZ family is **correlated**.
- When **uncorrelated**, the crosscorrelation would be trivial.
- The autocorrelation is **not trivial** even for **uncorrelated** optimal ZCZ.



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#### Recall the DFT shape of $r_i$









Therefore,  $\kappa(i) \pmod{K}$  for i = 0, 1, ..., K - 1 are distinct with each other. That is,

 $\{\kappa(i) \; (mod \; K) \mid i = 0, 1, \dots, K - 1\} = \{0, 1, \dots, K - 1\}$ 



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 $\boldsymbol{g}_i$  has constant magnitude in the frequency domain.

 $\Rightarrow$   $g_i$  is a perfect sequence.

∴ Popović's construction describes all the uncorrelated optimal ZCZ sequence family.







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