

Future Vision


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## Recap: Fourier transform

- Any univariate function can be rewritten as a weighted sum of sines and cosines of different frequencies.




Wikipedia - Fourier transform

## Sine/cosine and circle



## Square wave (approx.)



## Sawtooth wave (approx.)



## Euler's formula



## Fourier Transform

- Stores the amplitude and phase at each frequency:
- For mathematical convenience, this is often notated in terms of real and complex numbers
- Related by Euler's formula
- Amplitude encodes how much signal there is at a particular frequency

$$
\text { Amplitude: } \quad A= \pm \sqrt{\operatorname{Re}(\omega)^{2}+\operatorname{Im}(\omega)^{2}}
$$

- Phase encodes spatial information (indirectly)

$$
\text { Phase: } \phi=\tan ^{-1} \frac{\operatorname{Im}(\omega)}{\operatorname{Re}(\omega)}
$$

## Brian Pauw demo

- Live FFT2 demo
- I hacked it a bit
- http://www.lookingatnothing.com/index.php/ archives/991


## Amplitude / Phase



- Amplitude tells you "how much"
- Phase tells you "where"
- Translate the image?
- Amplitude unchanged
- Adds a constant to the phase.


## Filtering

Why does the Gaussian give a nice smooth image, but the square filter give edgy artifacts?

Why do we have those lines in the image?

- Sharp edges in the image need _all_ frequencies to represent them.



## Box filter / sinc filter duality

- What is the spatial representation of the hard cutoff (box) in the frequency domain?
- http://madebyevan.com/dft/


Sinc filter $\quad \operatorname{sinc}(x)=\sin (x) / x$


Spatial Domain $\Longleftrightarrow$ Frequency Domain
Frequency Domain $\Longleftrightarrow$ Spatial Domain

Frequency domain magnitude
Box filter (spatial)


## Gaussian filter duality

- Fourier transform of one Gaussian...
...is another Gaussian (inverse variance).
- Why is this useful?
- Smooth degradation in frequency components
- No sharp cut-off
- No negative values
- Never zero (infinite extent)

Frequency domain magnitude

Gaussian filter
(spatial)

Frequency domain magnitude

## Filtering

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## Properties of Fourier Transforms

- Linearity $\quad \mathcal{F}[a x(t)+b y(t)]=a \mathcal{F}[x(t)]+b \mathcal{F}[y(t)]$
- Fourier transform of a real signal is symmetric about the origin
- The energy of the signal is the same as the energy of its Fourier transform


## The Convolution Theorem

- The Fourier transform of the convolution of two functions is the product of their Fourier transforms

$$
\mathrm{F}[g * h]=\mathrm{F}[g] \mathrm{F}[h]
$$

- Convolution in spatial domain is equivalent to multiplication in frequency domain!

$$
g^{*} h=\mathrm{F}^{-1}[\mathrm{~F}[g] \mathrm{F}[h]]
$$

## Filtering in spatial domain

| 1 | 0 | -1 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2 | 0 | -2 |
| 1 | 0 | -1 |

intensity image



## Filtering in frequency domain

> FFT


Inverse FFT $\square$


## Think-Pair-Share

Match the spatial domain image to the Fourier magnitude image



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## Is convolution invertible?

- If convolution is just multiplication in the Fourier domain, isn't deconvolution just division?
- Sometimes, it clearly is invertible (e.g. a convolution with an identity filter)
- In one case, it clearly isn't invertible (e.g. convolution with an all zero filter)
- What about for common filters like a Gaussian?


## Let's experiment on Novak



## Convolution



## Deconvolution?



## But under more realistic conditions


iFFT


FFT $\downarrow$




FFT


## But under more realistic conditions




FFT $\downarrow$
iFFT-

Random noise, .0001 magnitude


FFT V




## But under more realistic conditions


iFFT个


Random noise, .001 magnitude


FFT

## Deconvolution is hard

- Active research area.
- Even if you know the filter (non-blind deconvolution), it is still very hard and requires strong regularization to counteract noise.
- If you don't know the filter (blind deconvolution) it is harder still.


## Sampling

## Why does a lower resolution image still make sense to us? What do we lose?



## Subsampling by a factor of 2



Throw away every other row and column to create a $1 / 2$ size image

## Aliasing problem

- 1D example (sinewave):



## Aliasing problem

- 1D example (sinewave):



## Aliasing problem

- Sub-sampling may be dangerous....
- Characteristic errors may appear:
- "car wheels rolling the wrong way in movies"
- "checkerboards disintegrate in ray tracing"
- "striped shirts look funny on color television"
- Moiré patterns



## Aliasing in graphics



## Aliasing in video

Imagine a spoked wheel moving to the right (rotating clockwise).
Mark wheel with dot so we can see what's happening.
If camera shutter is only open for a fraction of a frame time (frame time $=1 / 30 \mathrm{sec}$. for video, $1 / 24 \mathrm{sec}$. for film):

frame 1

time

Without dot, wheel appears to be rotating slowly backwards! (counterclockwise)

## Sampling and aliasing



## Nyquist-Shannon Sampling Theorem

- When sampling a signal at discrete intervals, the sampling frequency must be $\geq 2 \times f_{\text {max }}$
- $f_{\text {max }}=$ max frequency of the input signal
- This will allows to reconstruct the original perfectly from the sampled version


How to fix aliasing?

Solutions?

## Better sensors

## Solutions:

- Sample more often


## Anti-aliasing

## Solutions:

- Sample more often
- Get rid of all frequencies that are greater than half the new sampling frequency
- Will lose information
- But it's better than aliasing
- Apply a smoothing filter


## Anti-aliasing



## Algorithm for downsampling by factor of 2

1. Start with image(h, w)
2. Apply low-pass filter
im_blur = imfilter(image, fspecial('gaussian’, 7, 1))
3. Sample every other pixel im_small = im_blur(1:2:end, 1:2:end);

## Subsampling without pre-filtering



1/2

$1 / 4$ (2x zoom)


1/8 (4x zoom)

## Subsampling with Gaussian pre-filtering



Gaussian 1/2
G $1 / 4$
G 1/8

## Image Pyramids



## Salvador Dali

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## Salvador Dali invented Hybrid Images?

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