



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.)



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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

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

Phase encodes spatial information (indirectly)

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?

Hays



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/



Spatial Domain \iff Frequency Domain Frequency Domain \iff Spatial Domain



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)





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Properties of Fourier Transforms

- Linearity $\mathcal{F}[ax(t) + by(t)] = a\mathcal{F}[x(t)] + b\mathcal{F}[y(t)]$
- 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

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

• **Convolution** in spatial domain is equivalent to **multiplication** in frequency domain!

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

Filtering in spatial domain

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Think-Pair-Share

Match the spatial domain image to the Fourier magnitude image





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







FFT

10

0

-2

-4











Deconvolution?

10







iFFT











But under more realistic conditions









But under more realistic conditions



10

0

-2

Random noise, .0001 magnitude















But under more realistic conditions





8

6

2

-2





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?





Image: http://www.flickr.com/photos/igorms/136916757/

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



Source: A. Efros

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 sec. for video, 1/24 sec. for film):



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 $\ge 2 \times f_{max}$
- f_{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



256x256 128x128 64x64 32x32 16x16



Forsyth and Ponce 2002

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

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Image Pyramids



Hays



Salvador Dali

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Salvador Dali invented Hybrid Images?



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