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Computer Vision and Applications

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Lecture 2:

- Linear Filters and Convolution (review)
- Fourier Transform (review)
- Sampling and Aliasing (review)

Readings: F&P Chapter 7.1-7.6

Recap: Cameras, lenses, and calibration

Last time:

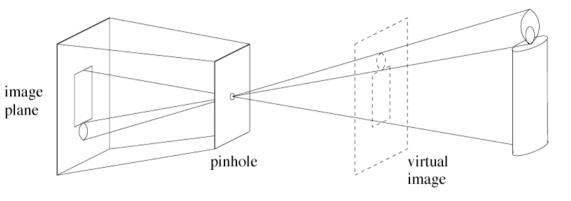
- Camera models
- Projection equations
- Calibration methods

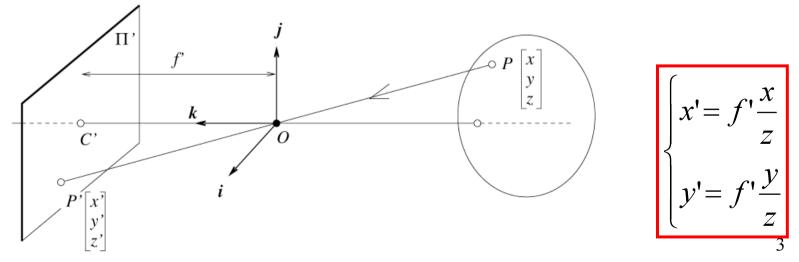
Images are projections of the 3-D world onto a 2-D plane...

Recap: pinhole/perspective

Pinole camera model box with a small hole in it:

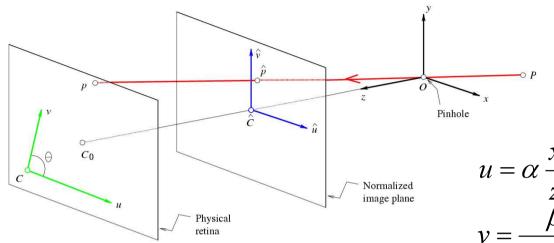
Perspective projection:





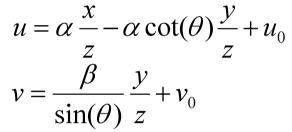
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 \mathcal{V}

 \vec{p}



Using homogenous coordinates, we can write this as: $\begin{pmatrix} u \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{aligned} & = \frac{1}{z} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & -\alpha \cot(\theta) & u_0 & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{\beta}{\sin(\theta)} & v_0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \\ 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{z} \qquad \left(K \quad \vec{0} \right) \qquad \vec{P}_4 \end{aligned}$$

or:

Recap: Combining extrinsic and intrinsic calibration parameters

$$\vec{p} = \frac{1}{z} \begin{pmatrix} K & \vec{0} \end{pmatrix} \vec{P}$$
 Intrinsic

$$^{C}P = {}^{C}_{W}R {}^{W}P + {}^{C}O_{W}$$
 Extrinsic

$$\vec{p} = \frac{1}{z} K \begin{pmatrix} C \\ W \end{pmatrix} R \quad C O_W \end{pmatrix} \vec{P}$$

$$\vec{p} = \frac{1}{z} M \vec{P}$$

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Other ways to write the same equation

pixel coordinates world coordinates

z is in the *camera* coordinate system, but we can solve for that, since $1 = \frac{m_3 \cdot \vec{P}}{z}$, leading to:

$$u = \frac{m_1 \cdot \vec{P}}{m_3 \cdot \vec{P}}$$
$$v = \frac{m_2 \cdot \vec{P}}{m_3 \cdot \vec{P}}$$



Stack all these measurements of i=1...n points The Opti-CAL Calibration Target Image

$$(m_1 - u_i m_3) \cdot \vec{P}_i = 0$$

$$(m_2 - v_i m_3) \cdot \vec{P}_i = 0$$

into a big matrix:

$$\begin{pmatrix} P_1^T & 0^T & -u_1 P_1^T \\ 0^T & P_1^T & -v_1 P_1^T \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ P_n^T & 0^T & -u_n P_n^T \\ 0^T & P_n^T & -v_n P_n^T \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} m_1 \\ m_2 \\ m_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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Today

Review of early visual processing

- Linear Filters and Convolution
- Fourier Transform
- Sampling and Aliasing

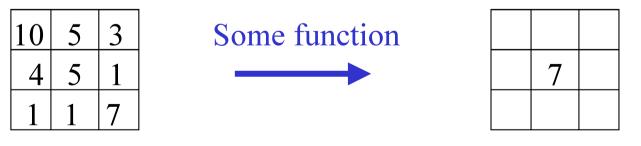
You should have been exposed to this material in previous courses; this lecture is just a (quick) review.

Administrivia:

- sign-up sheet
- introductions

What is image filtering?

• Modify the pixels in an image based on some function of a local neighborhood of the pixels.

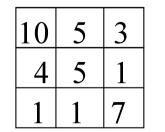


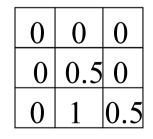
Local image data

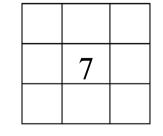
Modified image data 9

Linear functions

- Simplest: linear filtering.
 - Replace each pixel by a linear combination of its neighbors.
- The prescription for the linear combination is called the "convolution kernel".







Local image data

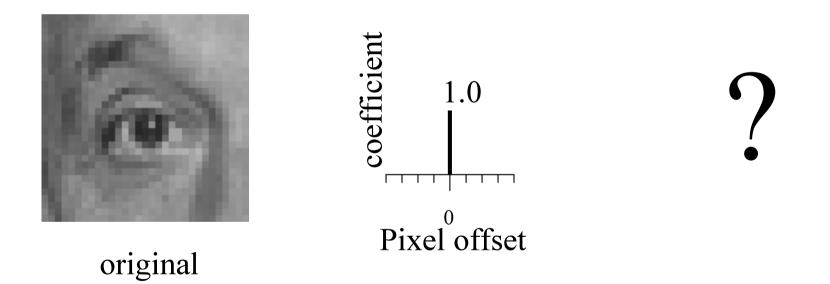
kernel

Modified image data ¹⁰

Convolution

$$f[m,n] = I \otimes g = \sum_{k,l} I[m-k,n-l]g[k,l]$$

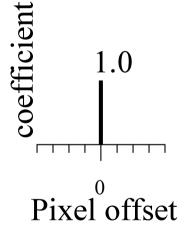
Linear filtering (warm-up slide)



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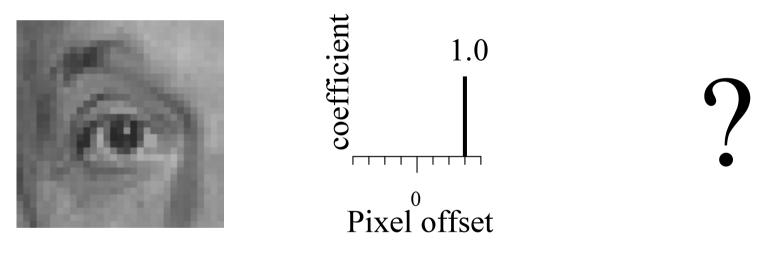
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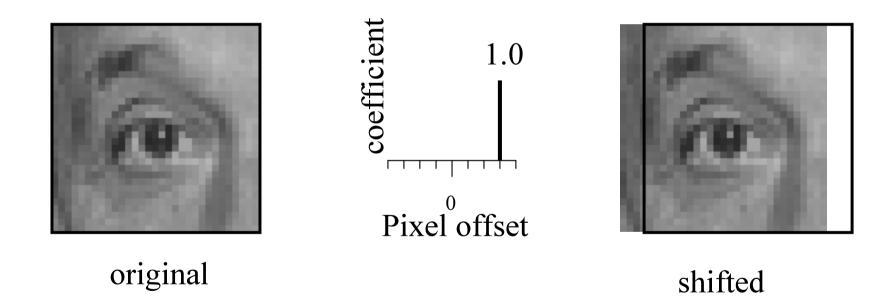
Filtered (no change)

Linear filtering



original

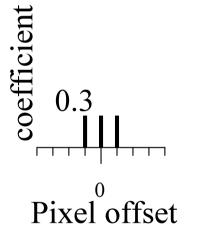
shift



Linear filtering



original



Blurring

coefficient

0.3

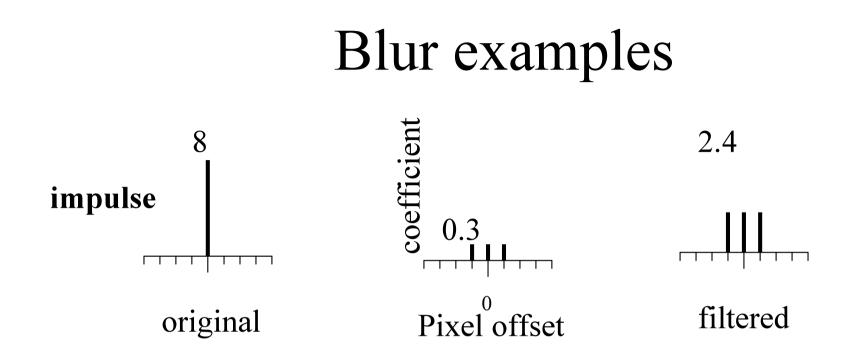
Pixel⁰ offset



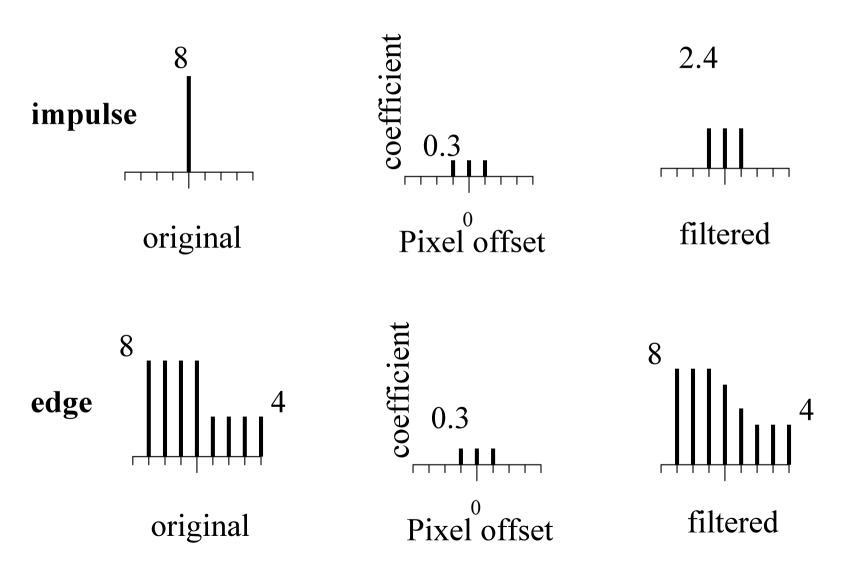
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Blurred (filter applied in both dimensions).



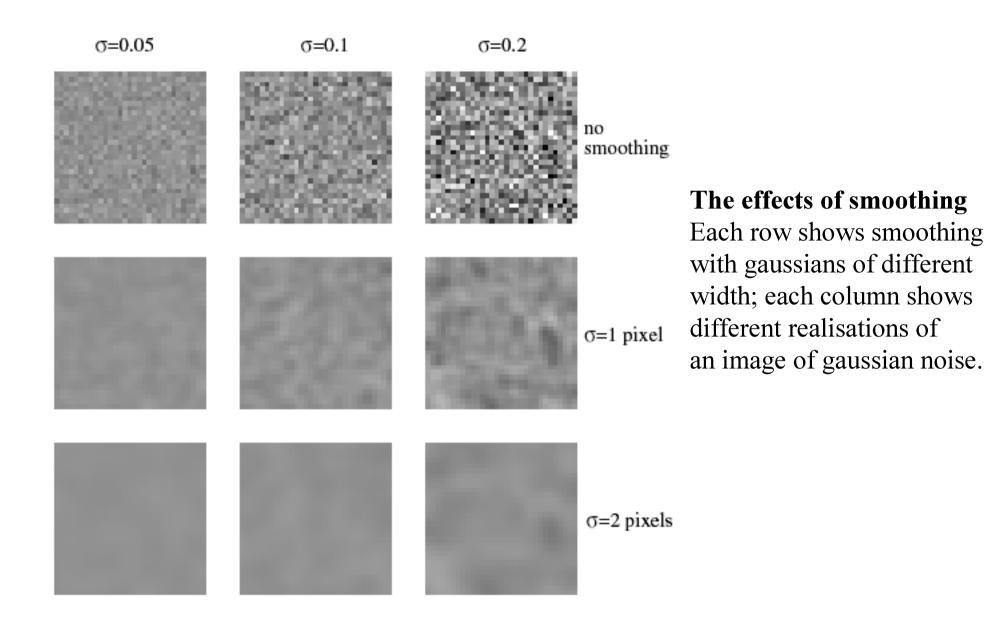
Blur examples



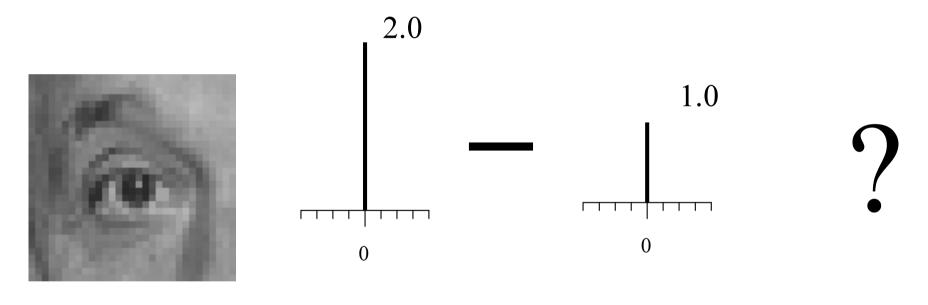
Smoothing reduces noise

- Generally expect pixels to "be like" their neighbours
 - surfaces turn slowly
 - relatively few reflectance changes
- Generally expect noise processes to be independent from pixel to pixel

- Implies that smoothing suppresses noise, for appropriate noise models
- Scale
 - the parameter in the symmetric Gaussian
 - as this parameter goes up, more pixels are involved in the average
 - and the image gets more blurred
 - and noise is more effectively suppressed

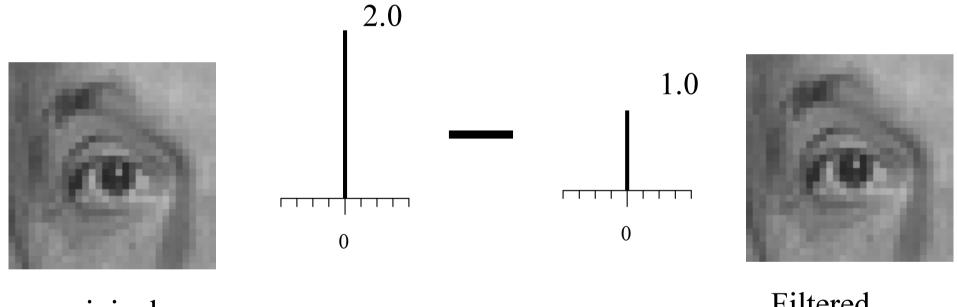


Linear filtering (warm-up slide)



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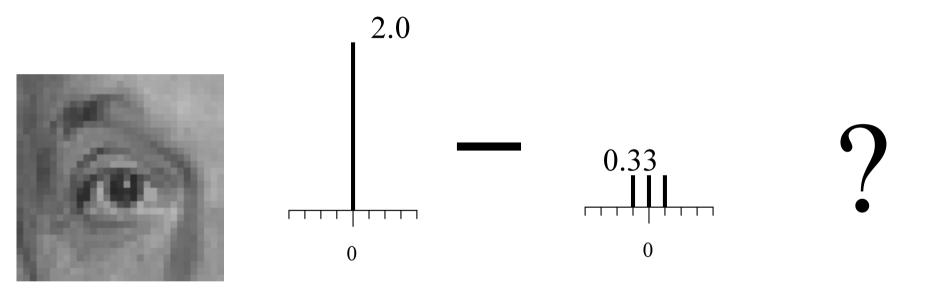
Linear filtering (no change)



original

Filtered (no change)

Linear filtering



original

(remember blurring)

coefficient

0.3

Pixel⁰ offset

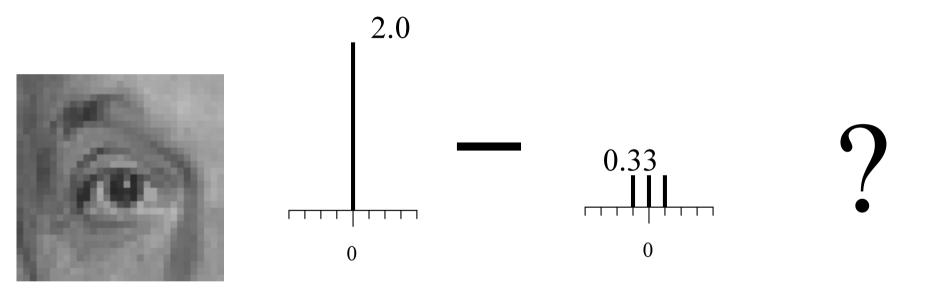


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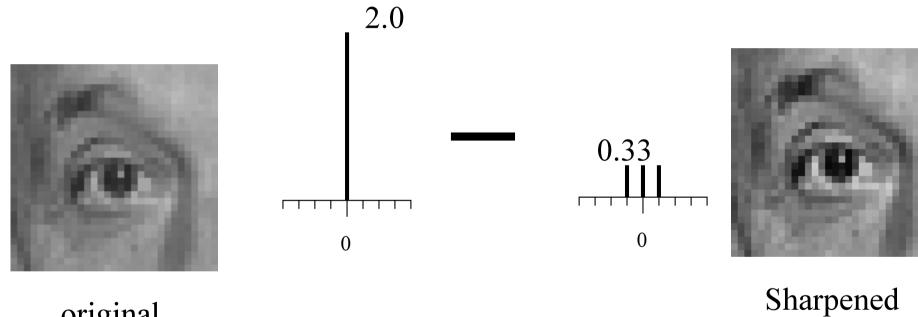
Blurred (filter applied in both dimensions).

Linear filtering



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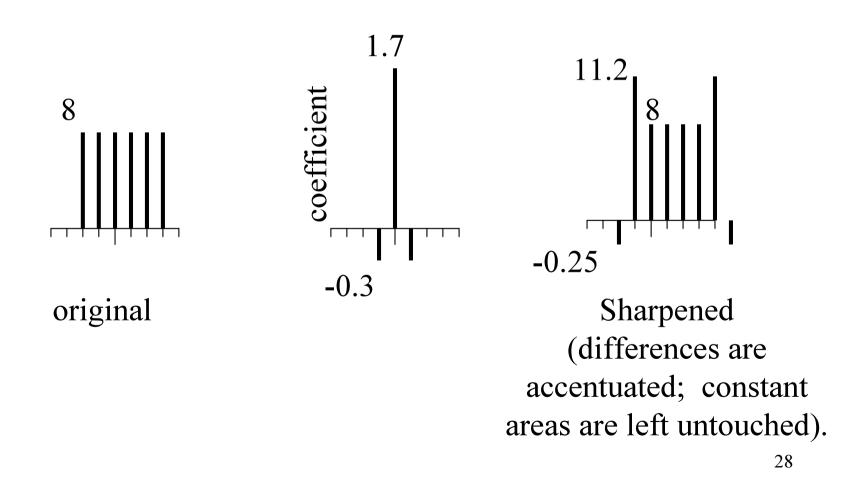
Sharpening



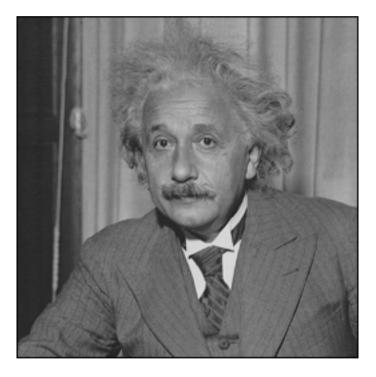
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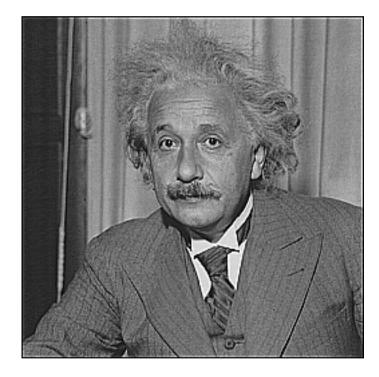
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Sharpening example



Sharpening





before

after

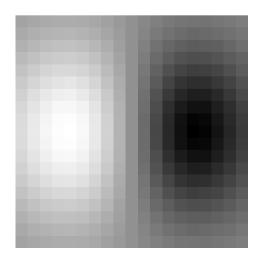
Gradients and edges

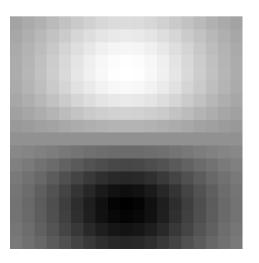
- Points of sharp change in an image are interesting:
 - change in reflectance
 - change in object
 - change in illumination
 - noise
- Sometimes called edge points

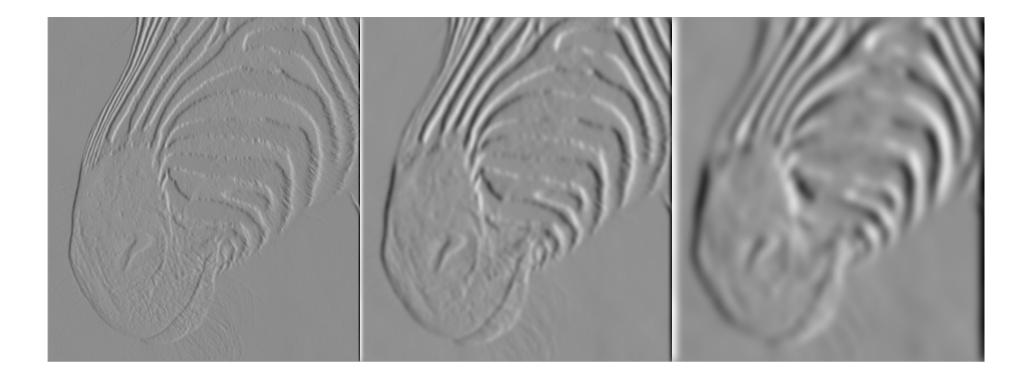
- General strategy
 - linear filters to estimate image gradient
 - mark points where gradient magnitude is particularly large wrt neighbours (ideally, curves of such points).

Smoothing and Differentiation

- Issue: noise
 - smooth before differentiation
 - two convolutions to smooth, then differentiate?
 - actually, no we can use a derivative of Gaussian filter
 - because differentiation is convolution, and convolution is associative







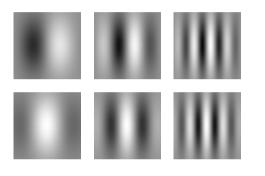
1 pixel

3 pixels

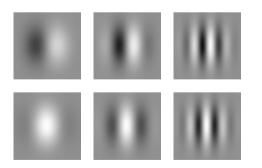
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The scale of the smoothing filter affects derivative estimates, and also the semantics of the edges recovered.

Oriented filters



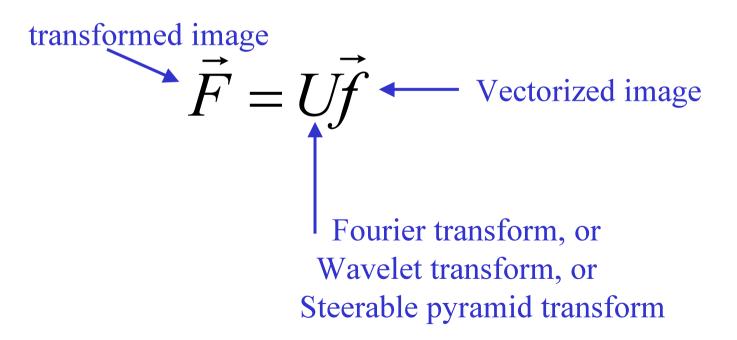
Gabor filters (Gaussian modulated harmonics) at different scales and spatial frequencies



Top row shows anti-symmetric (or odd) filters, bottom row the symmetric (or even) filters.

Linear image transformations

• In analyzing images, it's often useful to make a change of basis.



Self-inverting transforms

Same basis functions are used for the inverse transform

$$\vec{f} = U^{-1}\vec{F}$$
$$= U^{+}\vec{F}$$

U transpose and complex conjugate

An example of such a transform: the Fourier transform

discrete domain

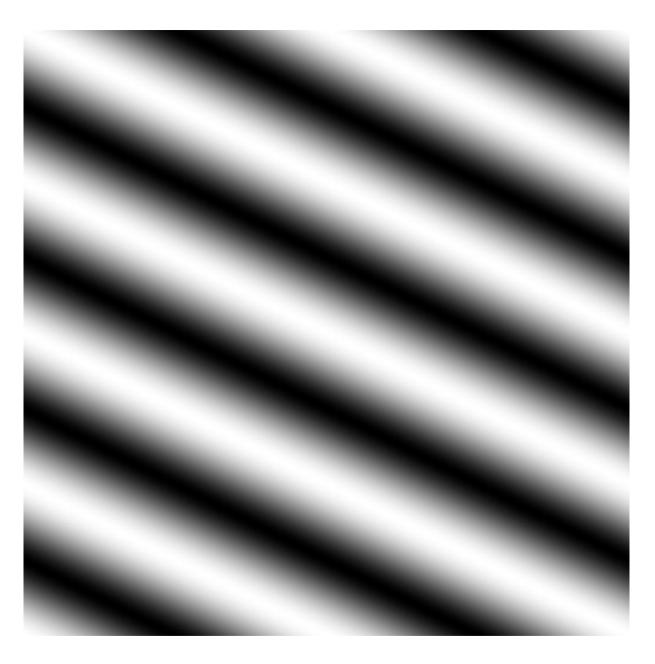
Forward transform

$$F[m,n] = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} f[k,l] e^{-\pi i \left(\frac{km}{M} + \frac{\ln}{N}\right)}$$

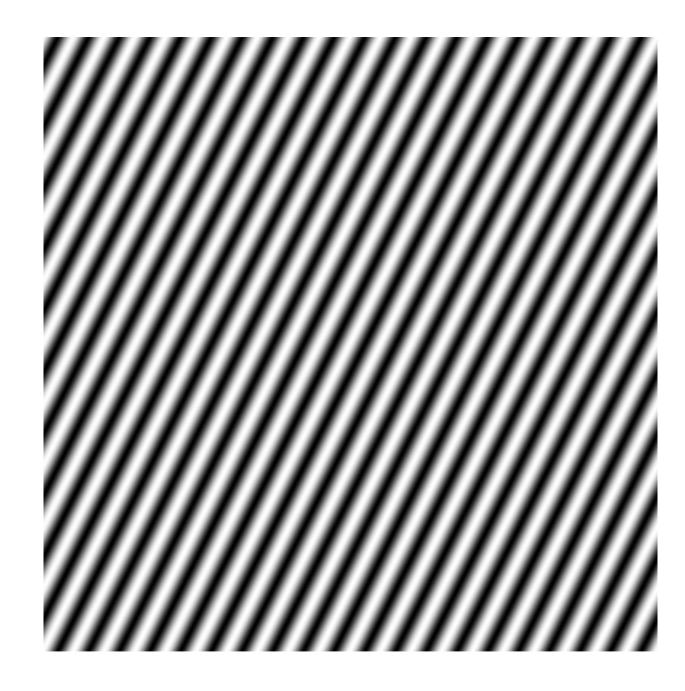
Inverse transform

$$f[k,l] = \frac{1}{MN} \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} F[m,n] e^{+\pi i \left(\frac{km}{M} + \frac{\ln}{N}\right)}$$

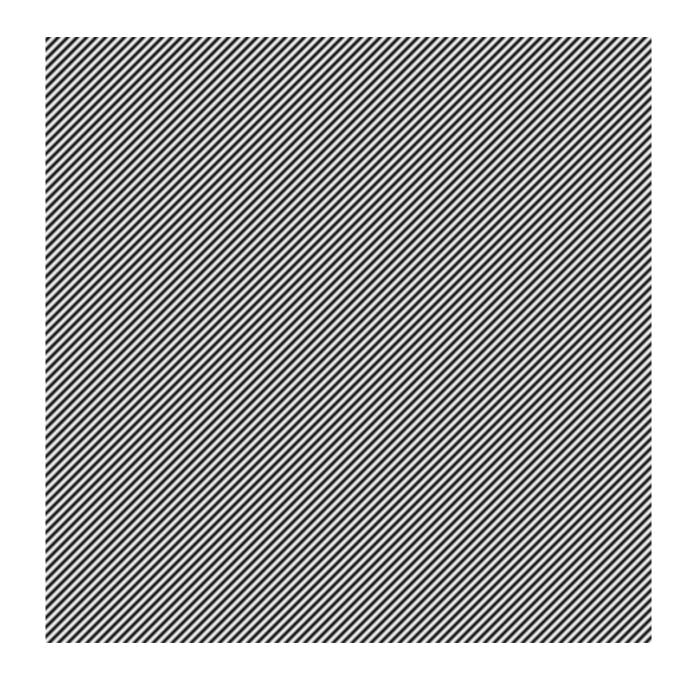
To get some sense of what basis elements look like, we plot a basis element --- or rather, its real part --as a function of x,y for some fixed u, v. We get a function that is constant when (ux+vy) is constant. The magnitude of the vector (u, v) gives a frequency, and its direction gives an orientation. The function is a sinusoid with this frequency along the direction, and constant perpendicular to the direction.



Here u and v are larger than in the previous slide.



And larger still...

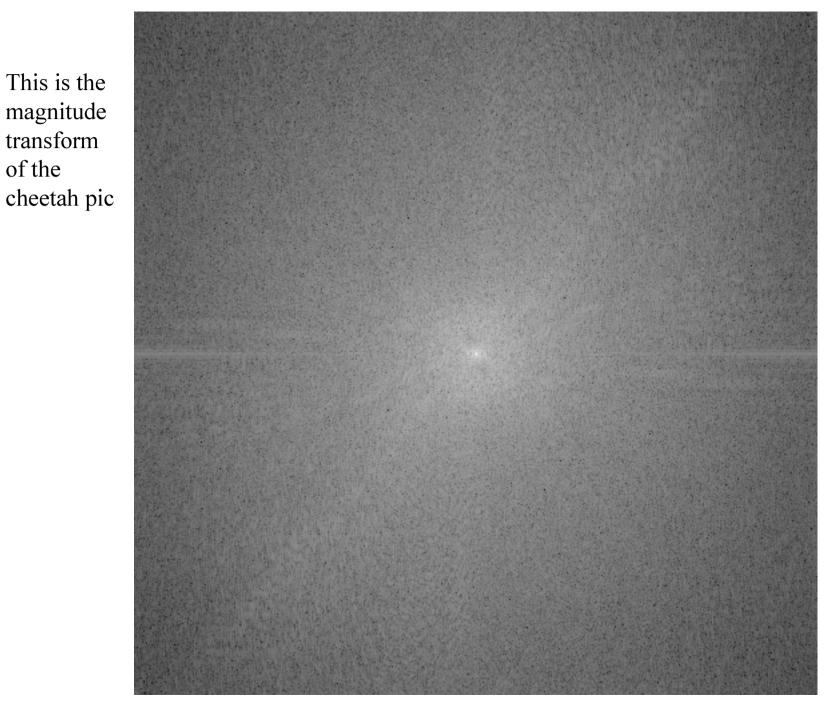


Phase and Magnitude

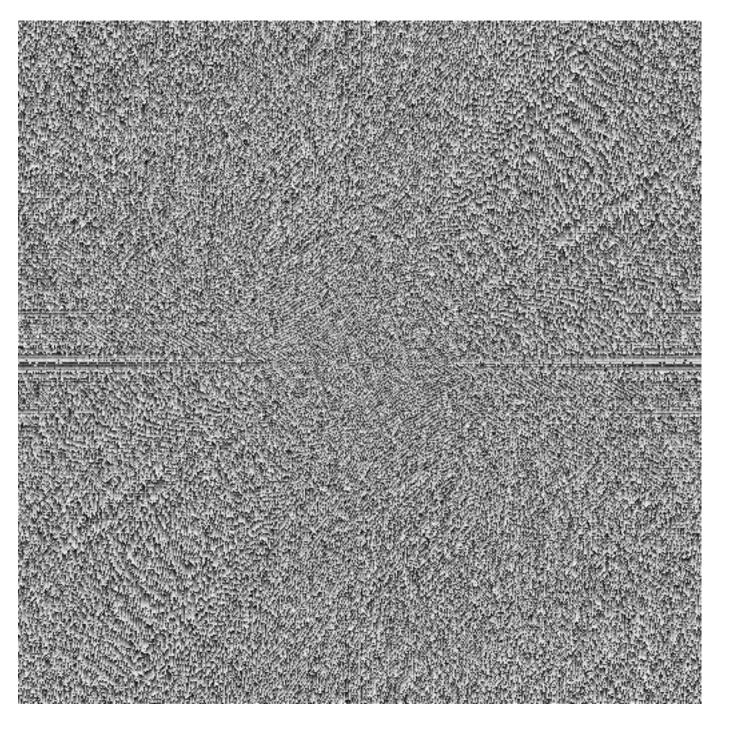
- Fourier transform of a real function is complex
 - difficult to plot, visualize
 - instead, we can think of the phase and magnitude of the transform
- Phase is the phase of the complex transform
- Magnitude is the magnitude of the complex transform

- Curious fact
 - all natural images have about the same magnitude transform
 - hence, phase seems to matter, but magnitude largely doesn't
- Demonstration
 - Take two pictures, swap the phase transforms, compute the inverse what does the result look like?



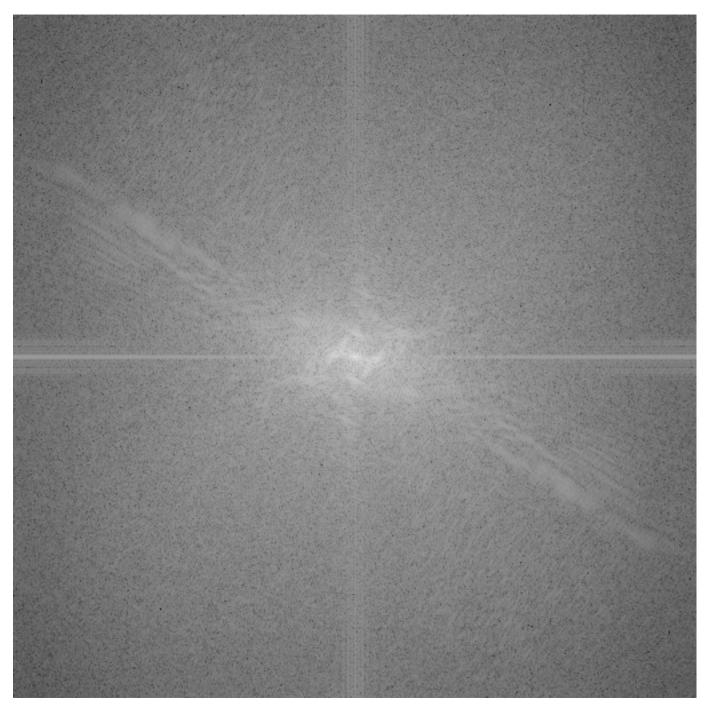


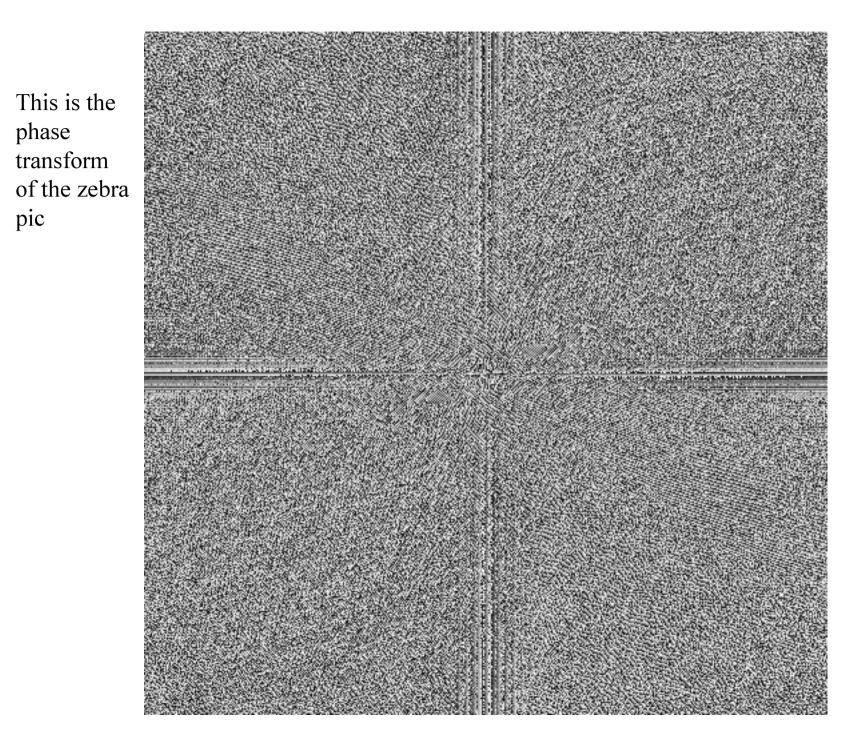
This is the phase transform of the cheetah pic



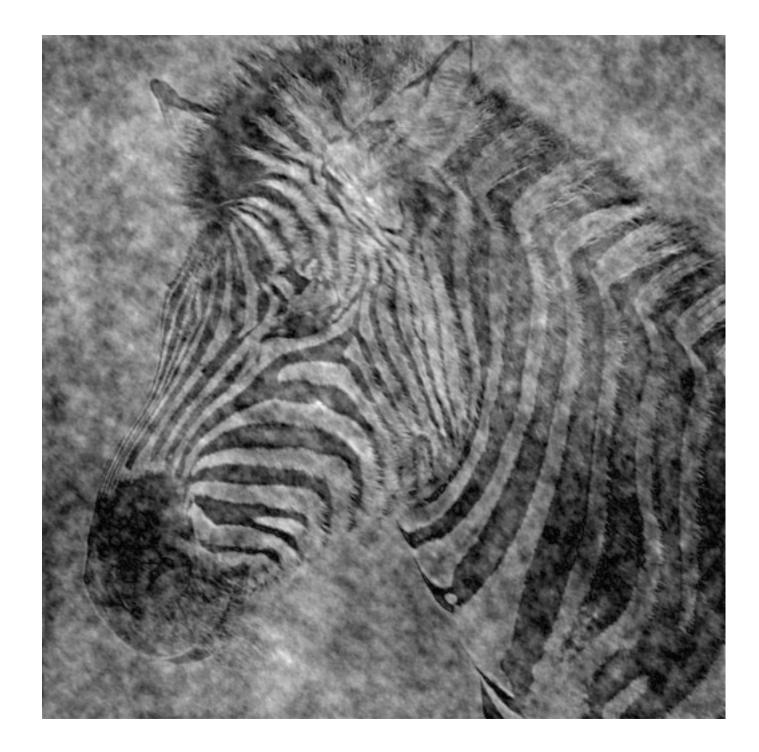


This is the magnitude transform of the zebra pic

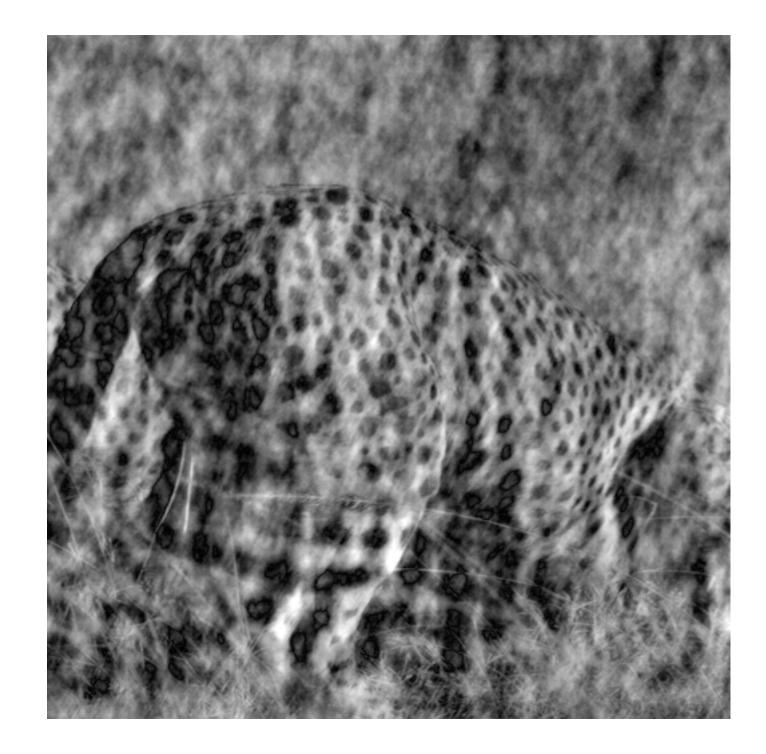




Reconstruction with zebra phase, cheetah magnitude

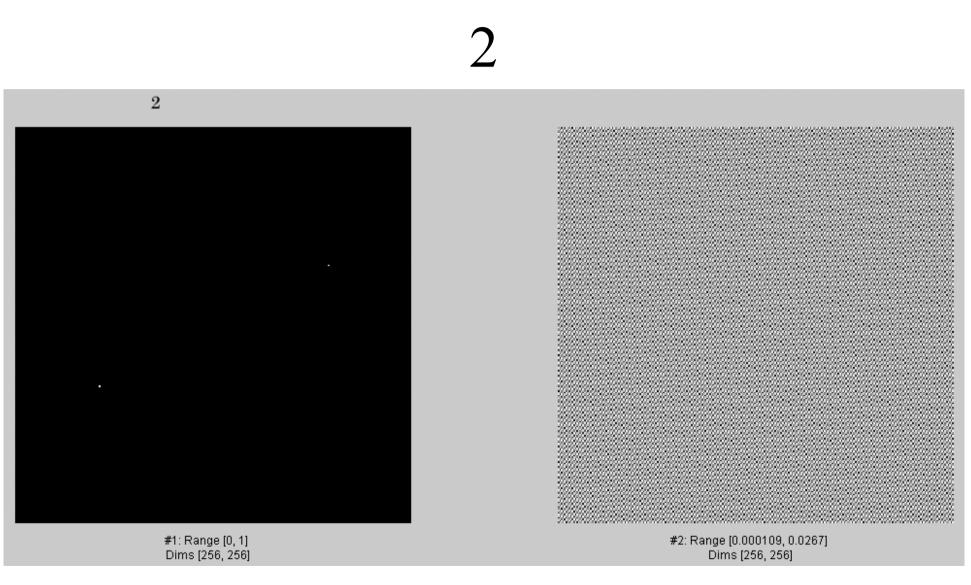


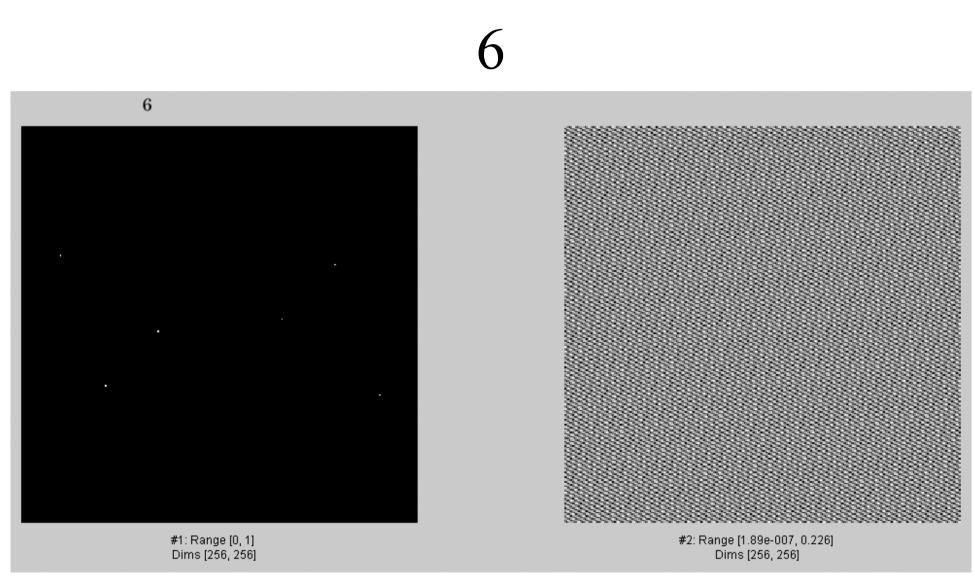
Reconstruction with cheetah phase, zebra magnitude

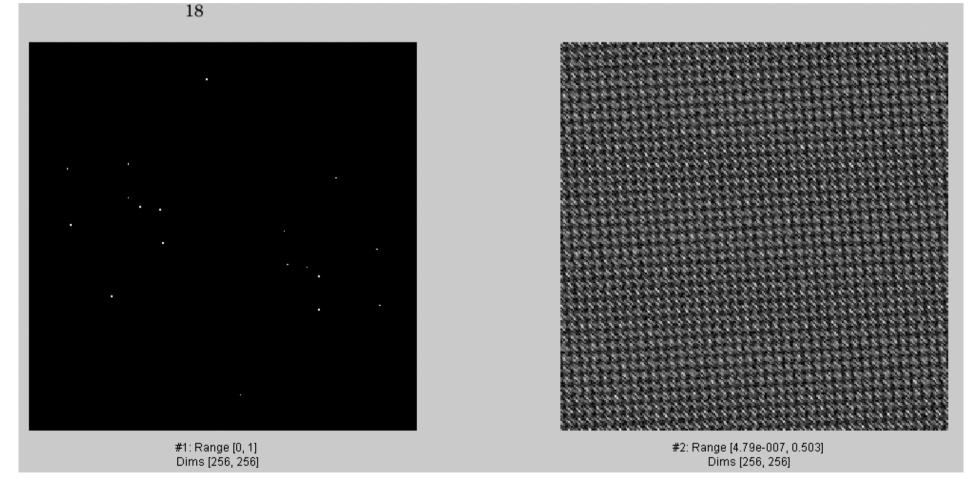


Example image synthesis with fourier basis.

• 16 images

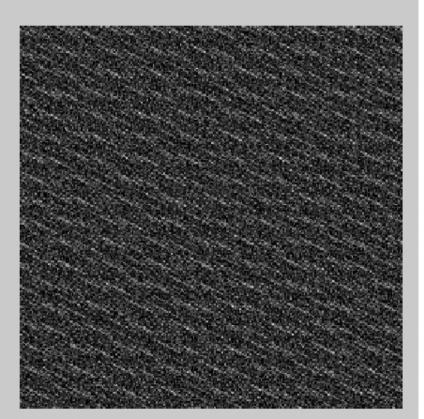








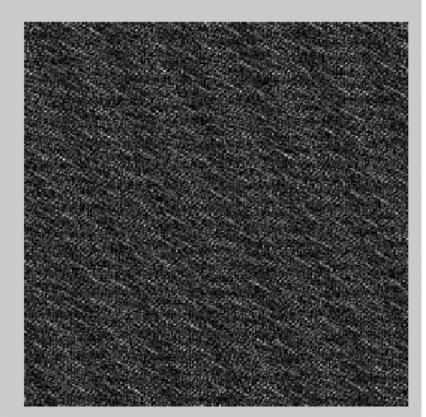
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#2: Range [8.5e-006, 1.7] Dims [256, 256]

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#2: Range [3.85e-007, 2.21] Dims [256, 256]



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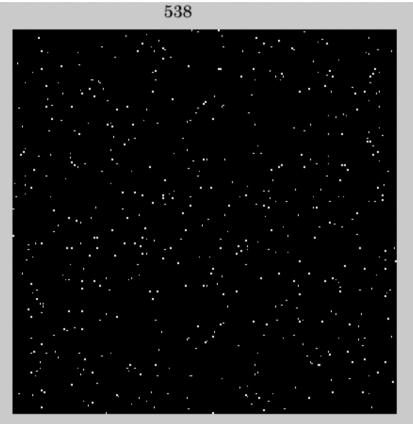
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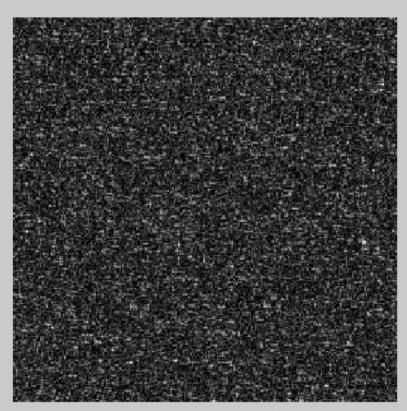
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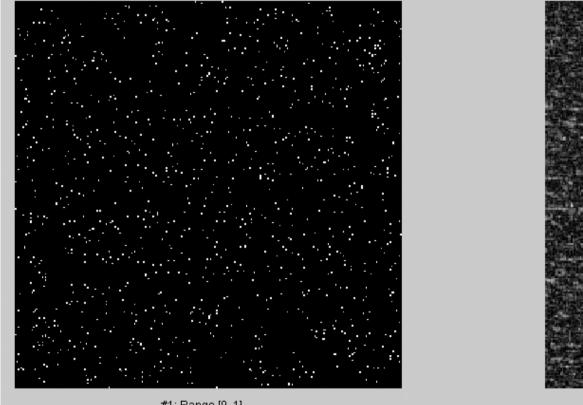


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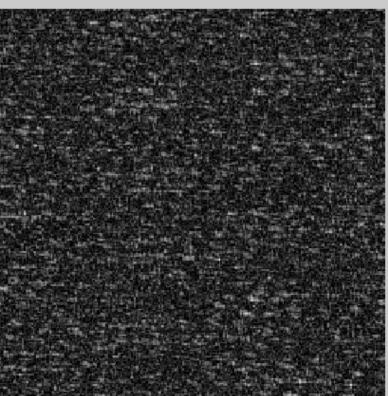


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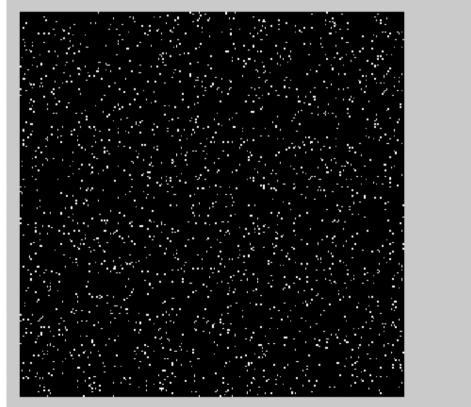


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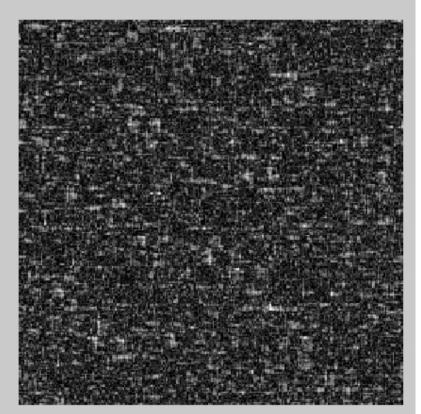


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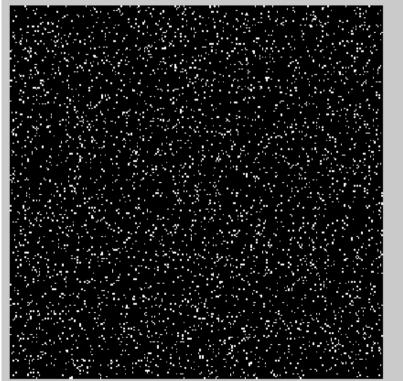
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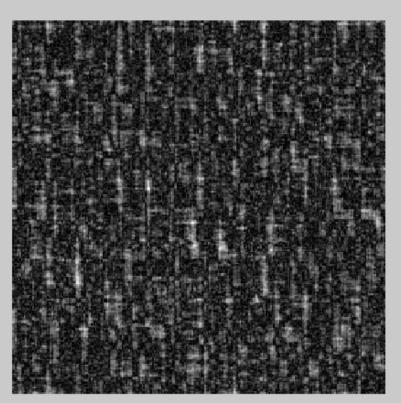
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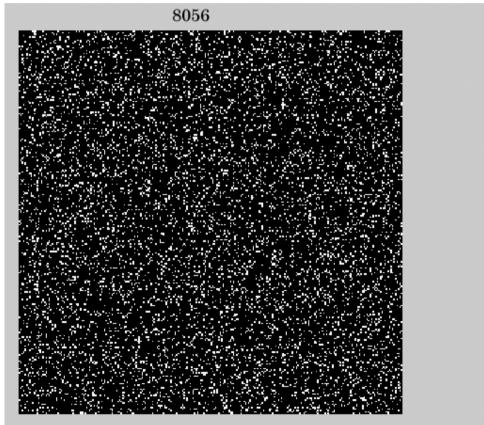


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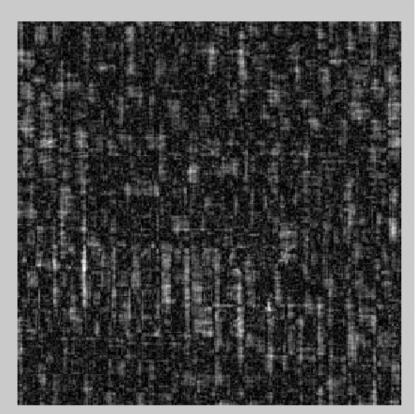


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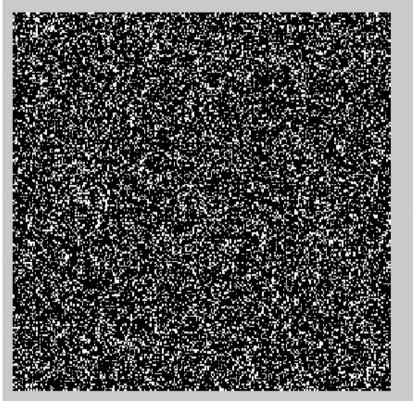


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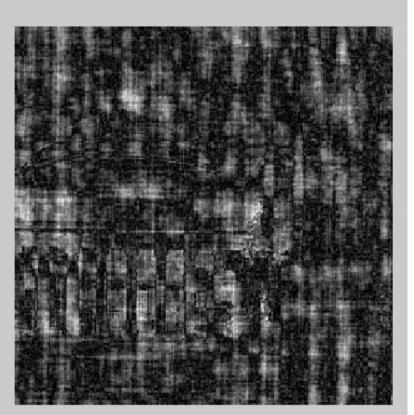


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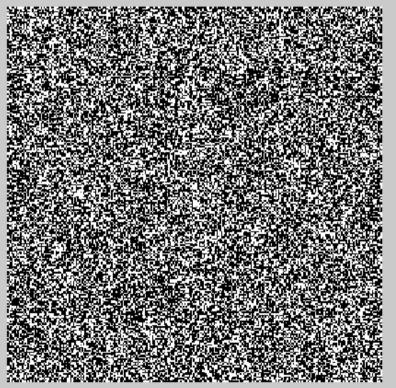






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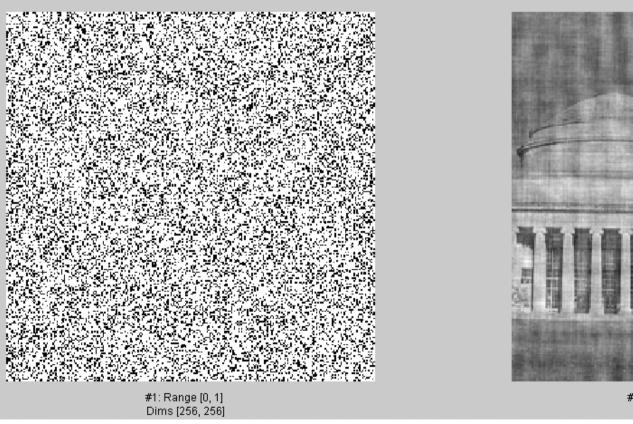
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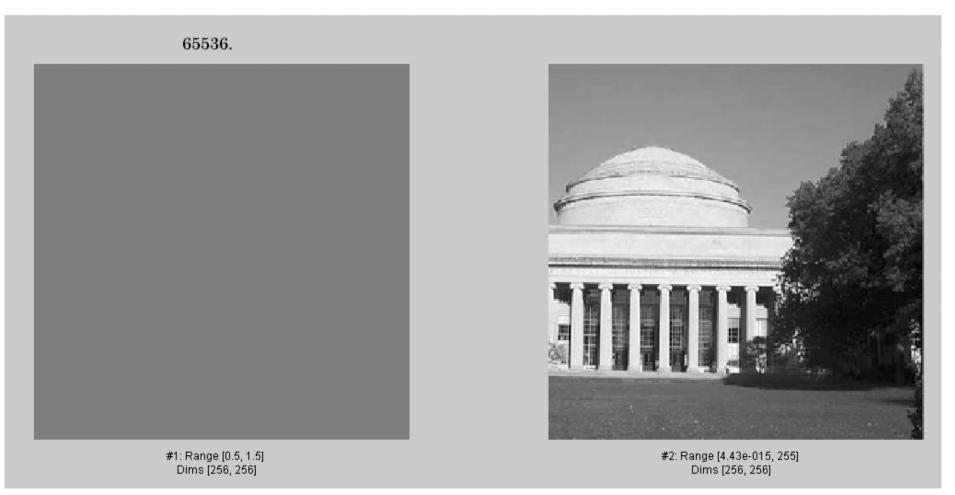
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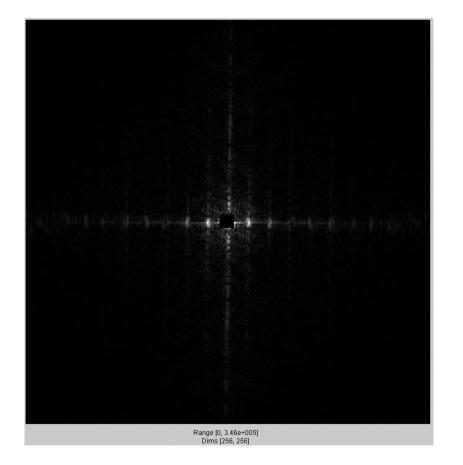


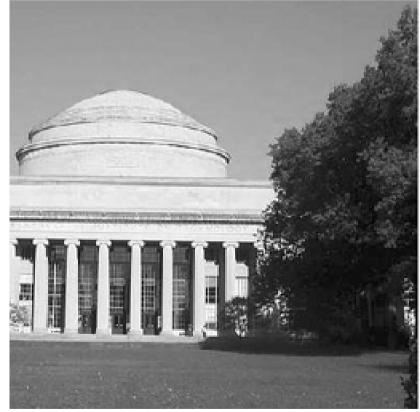
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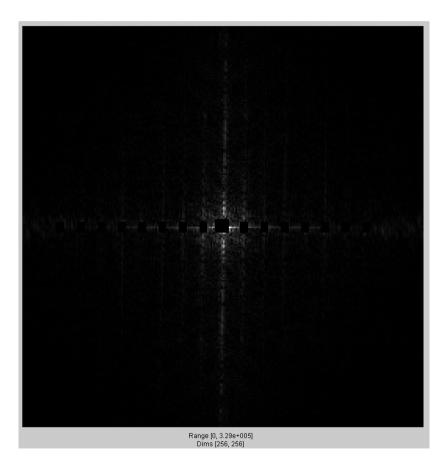
Fourier transform magnitude

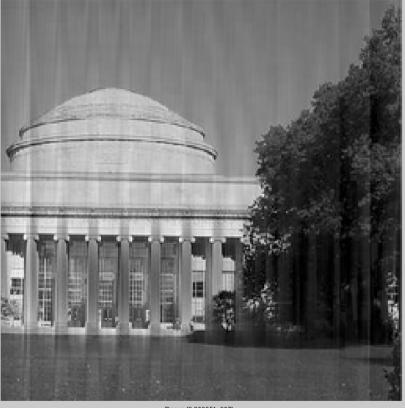




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Masking out the fundamental and harmonics from periodic pillars





Range (0.000551, 297) Dims (256, 256)

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Name as many functions as you can that retain that same functional form in the transform domain **TABLE 7.1** A variety of functions of two dimensions and their Fourier transforms. This table can be used in two directions (with appropriate substitutions for *u*, *v* and *x*, *y*) because the Fourier transform of the Fourier transform of a function is the function. Observant readers may suspect that the results on infinite sums of δ functions contradict the linearity of Fourier transforms. By careful inspection of limits, it is possible to show that they do not (see, e.g., Bracewell, 1995). Observant readers may also have noted that an expression for $\mathcal{F}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial y})$ can be obtained by combining two lines of this table.

Function	Fourier transform
g(x, y)	$\iint_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x, y) e^{-i2\pi(ux+vy)} dx dy$
$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{F}(g(x, y))(u, v) e^{i2\pi(ux+vy)} du dv$	$\mathcal{F}(g(x, y))(u, v)$
$\delta(x, y)$	1
$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(x, y)$	$u\mathcal{F}(f)(u,v)$
$0.5\delta(x + a, y) + 0.5\delta(x - a, y)$	$\cos 2\pi a u$
$e^{-\pi(x^2+y^2)}$	$e^{-\pi(u^2+v^2)}$
$box_1(x, y)$	$\frac{\sin u}{u} \frac{\sin v}{v}$
f(ax, by)	$\frac{\mathcal{F}(f)(u/a,v/b)}{ab}$
$\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x-i, y-j)$	$\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(u-i, v-j)$
(f * *g)(x, y)	$\mathcal{F}(f)\mathcal{F}(g)(u,v)$
f(x-a, y-b)	$e^{-i2\pi(au+bv)}\mathcal{F}(f)$
$f(x\cos\theta - y\sin\theta, x\sin\theta + y\cos\theta)$	$\mathcal{F}(f)(u\cos\theta - v\sin\theta, u\sin\theta + v\cos\theta)$

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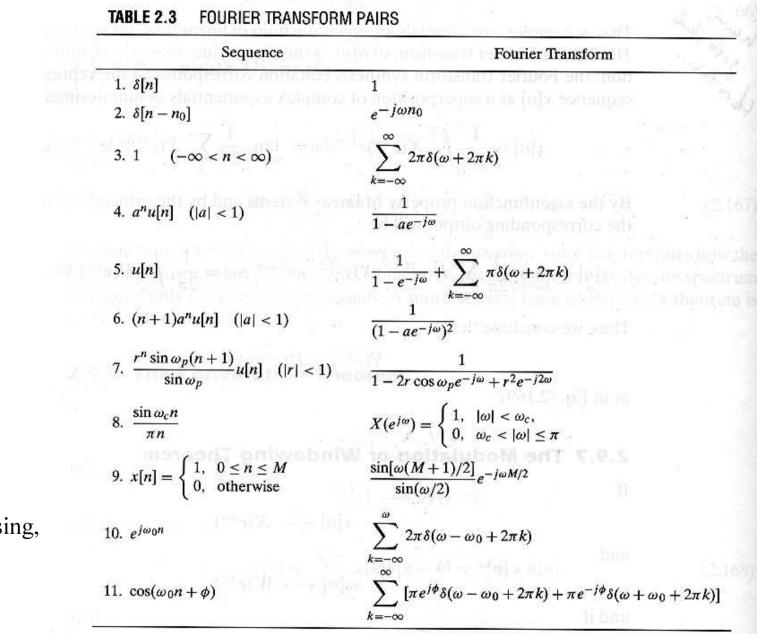
Discrete-time, continuous frequency Fourier transform

Many sequences can be represented by a Fourier integral of the form

$$x[n] = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} X(e^{j\omega})e^{j\omega n} d\omega, \qquad (2.133)$$
where

$$X(e^{j\omega}) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} x[n]e^{-j\omega n}. \qquad (2.134)$$
Öppenheim,
Schafer and
Buck,
Discrete-time
signal processing,
Prentice Hall,
1999

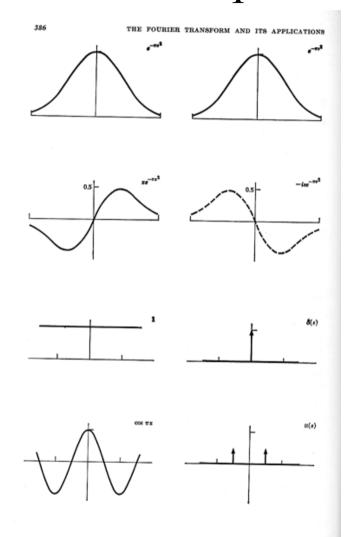
Discrete-time, continuous frequency Fourier transform pairs



Oppenheim, Schafer and Buck, Discrete-time signal processing, Prentice Hall, 1999

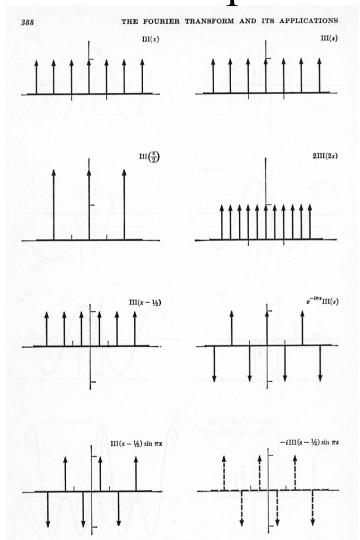
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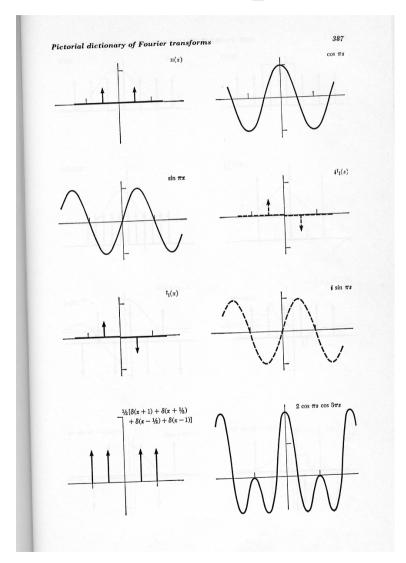
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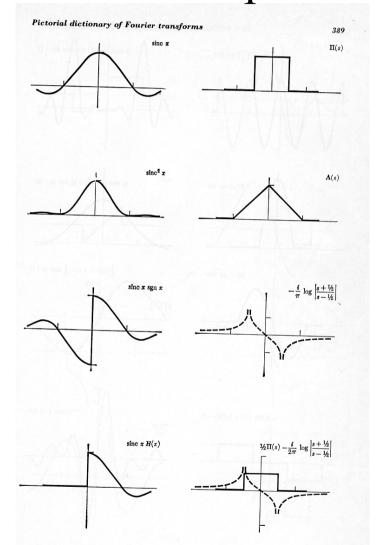
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Why is the Fourier domain particularly useful?

• It tells us the effect of linear convolutions.

Consider a (circular) convolution of g and h

$$f = g \otimes h$$

Fourier transform of convolution $f = g \otimes h$

Take DFT of both sides

$$F[m,n] = DFT(g \otimes h)$$

Fourier transform of convolution $f = g \otimes h$ $F[m,n] = DFT(g \otimes h)$

Write the DFT and convolution explicitly

$$F[m,n] = \sum_{u=0}^{M-1} \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} \sum_{k,l} g[u-k,v-l]h[k,l]e^{-\pi i \left(\frac{um}{M} + \frac{vn}{N}\right)}$$

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Move the exponent in

$$=\sum_{u=0}^{M-1}\sum_{v=0}^{N-1}\sum_{k,l}g[u-k,v-l]e^{-\pi i\left(\frac{um}{M}+\frac{vn}{N}\right)}h[k,l]$$

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Change variables in the sum

$$= \sum_{\mu=-k}^{M-k-1} \sum_{\nu=-l}^{N-l-1} \sum_{k,l} g[\mu,\nu] e^{-\pi i \left(\frac{(k+\mu)m}{M} + \frac{(l+\nu)n}{N}\right)} h[k,l]$$

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Perform the DFT (circular boundary conditions)

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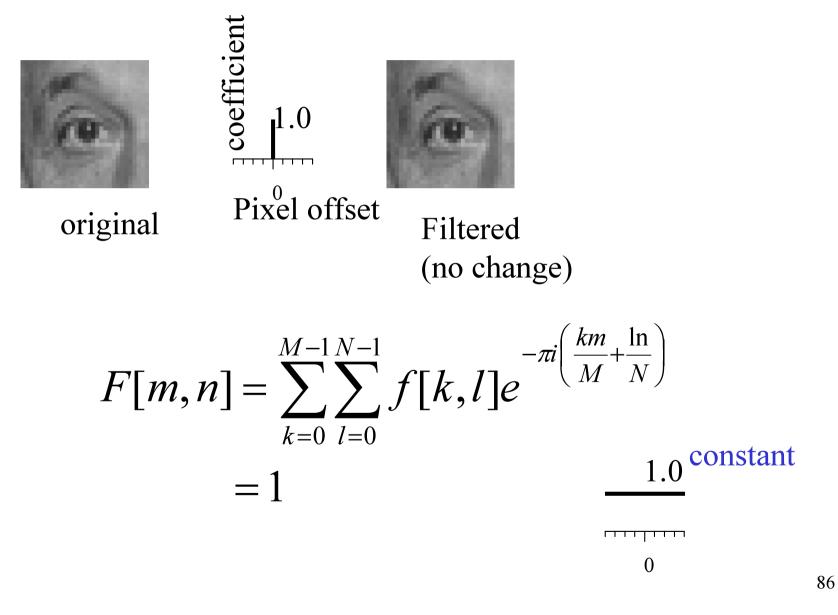
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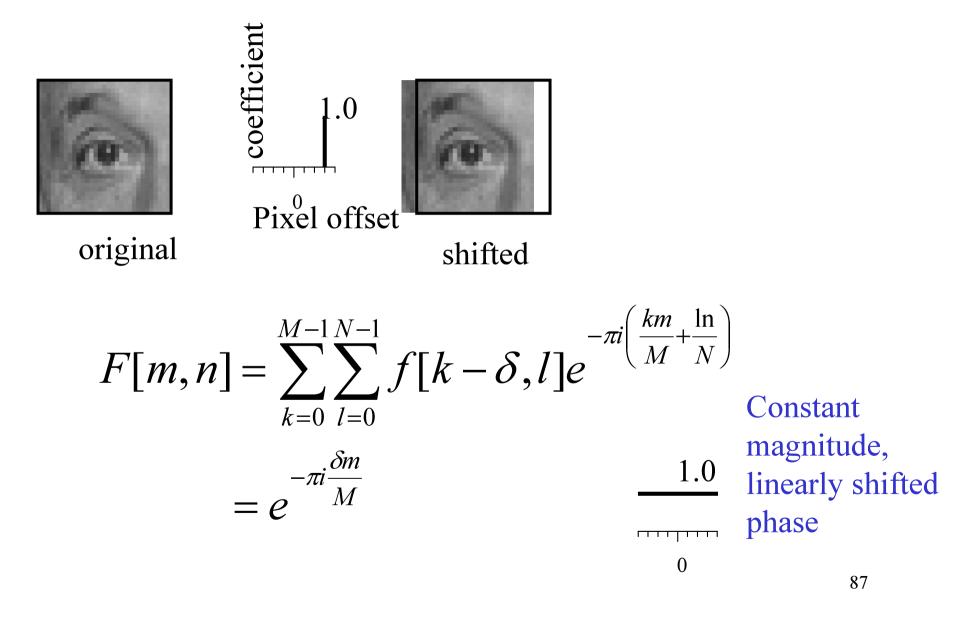
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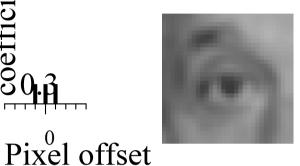
Perform the other DFT (circular boundary conditions)

$$= G[m,n]H[m,n]$$



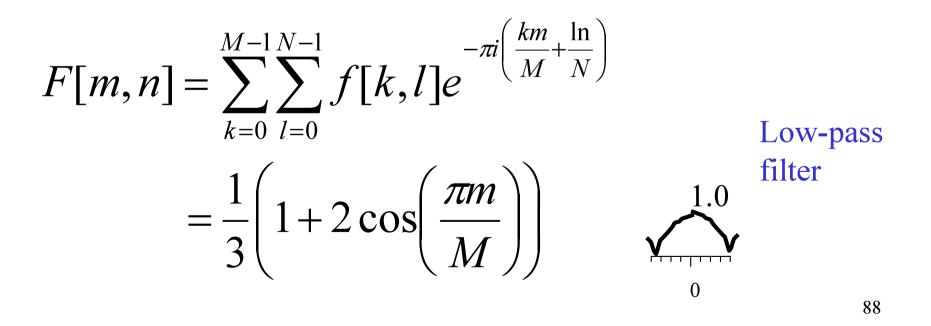




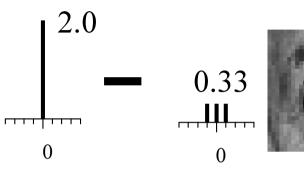


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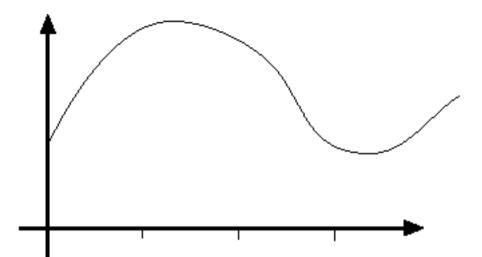


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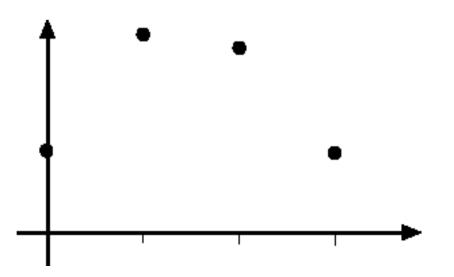
$$F[m,n] = \sum_{k=0}^{M-1} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} f[k,l] e^{-\pi i \left(\frac{km}{M} + \frac{\ln}{N}\right)}$$

high-pass filter
$$= 2 - \frac{1}{3} \left(1 + 2\cos\left(\frac{\pi m}{M}\right)\right) \qquad \underbrace{1.0}_{0}^{2.3}$$

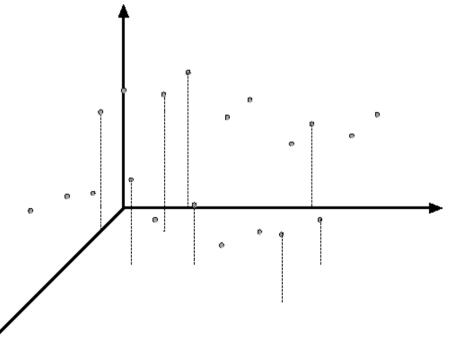
Sampling and aliasing



Sampling in 1D takes a continuous function and replaces it with a vector of values, consisting of the function's values at a set of sample points. We'll assume that these sample points are on a regular grid, and can place one at each integer for convenience.



Sampling in 2D does the same thing, only in 2D. We'll assume that these sample points are on a regular grid, and can place one at each integer point for convenience.



A continuous model for a sampled function

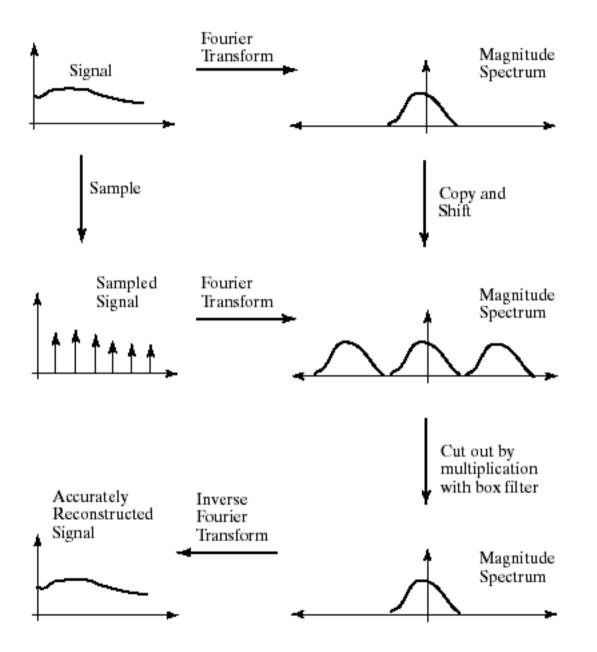
- We want to be able to approximate integrals sensibly
- Leads to
 - the delta function
 - model on right

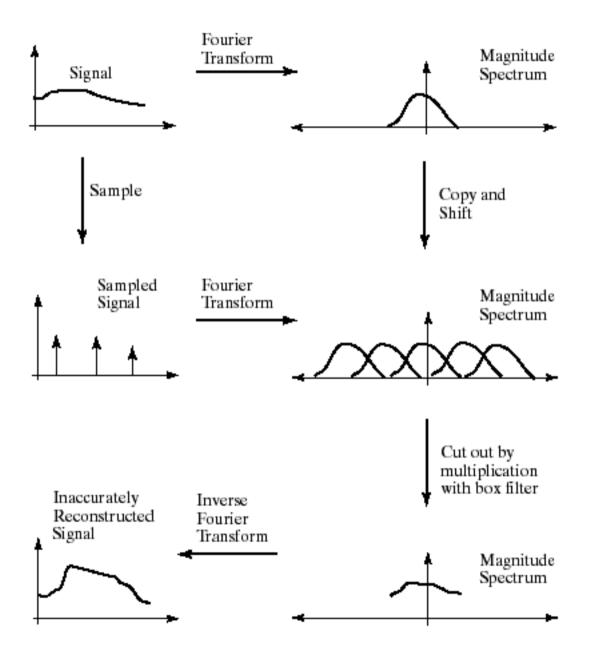
$$Sample_{2D}(f(x,y)) = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x,y)\delta(x-i,y-j)$$
$$= f(x,y)\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(x-i,y-j)$$

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The Fourier transform of a sampled signal

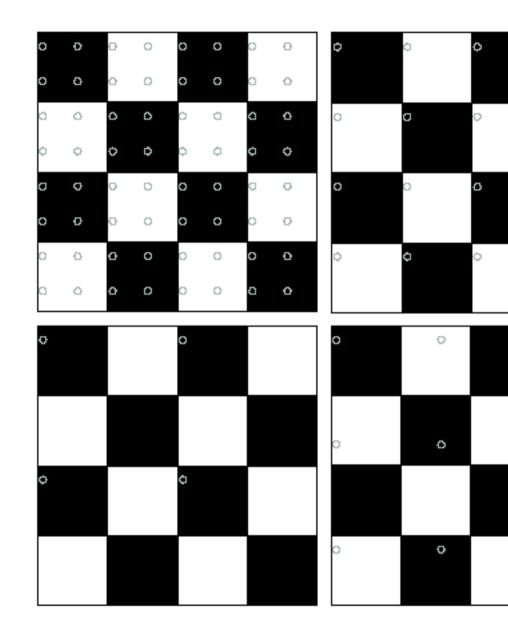
$$F(\operatorname{Sample}_{2D}(f(x,y))) = F\left(f(x,y)\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty}\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty}\delta(x-i,y-j)\right)$$
$$= F(f(x,y)) * F\left(\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty}\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty}\delta(x-i,y-j)\right)$$
$$= \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty}\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty}F(u-i,v-j)$$





Aliasing

- Can't shrink an image by taking every second pixel
- If we do, characteristic errors appear
 - In the next few slides
 - Typically, small phenomena look bigger; fast phenomena can look slower
 - Common phenomenon
 - Wagon wheels rolling the wrong way in movies
 - Checkerboards misrepresented in ray tracing
 - Striped shirts look funny on colour television

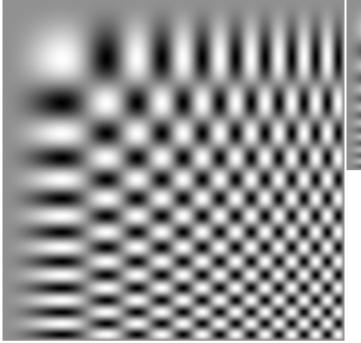


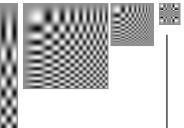
Resample the checkerboard by taking one sample at each circle. In the case of the top left board, new representation is reasonable. Top right also yields a reasonable representation. Bottom left is all black (dubious) and bottom right has checks that are too big.

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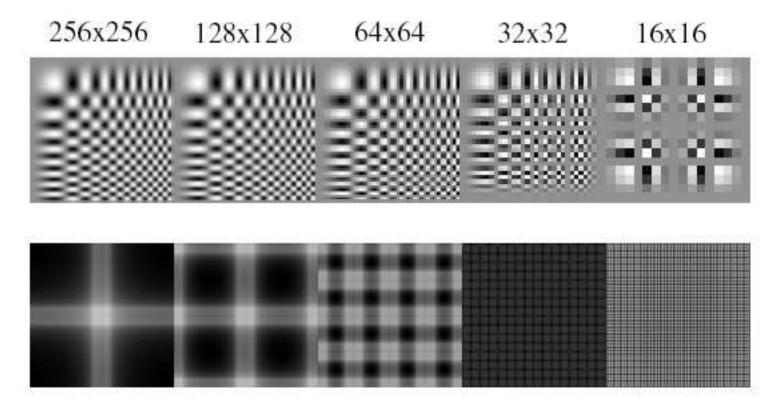
Constructing a pyramid by taking every second pixel leads to layers that badly misrepresent the top layer

Smoothing as low-pass filtering

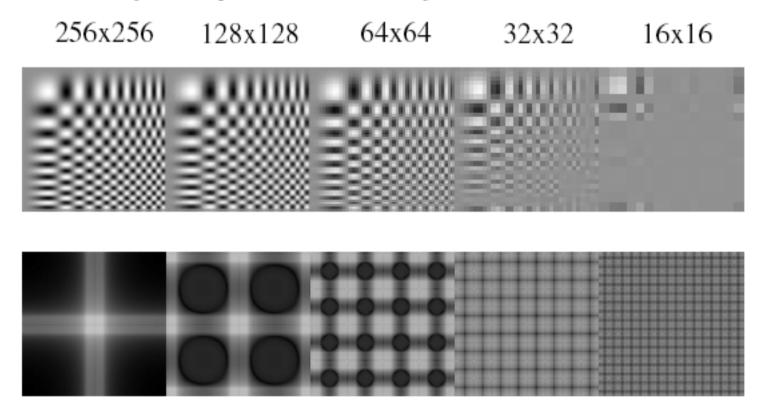
- The message of the FT is that high frequencies lead to trouble with sampling.
- Solution: suppress high frequencies before sampling
 - multiply the FT of the signal with something that suppresses high frequencies
 - or convolve with a low-pass filter

- A filter whose FT is a box is bad, because the filter kernel has infinite support
- Common solution: use a Gaussian
 - multiplying FT by Gaussian is equivalent to convolving image with Gaussian.

Sampling without smoothing. Top row shows the images, sampled at every second pixel to get the next; bottom row shows the magnitude spectrum of these images.

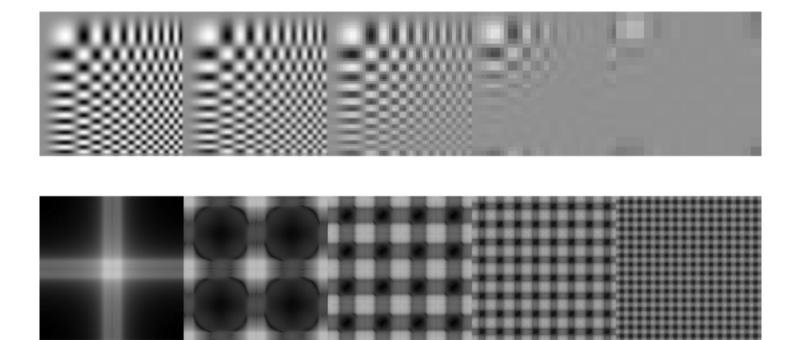


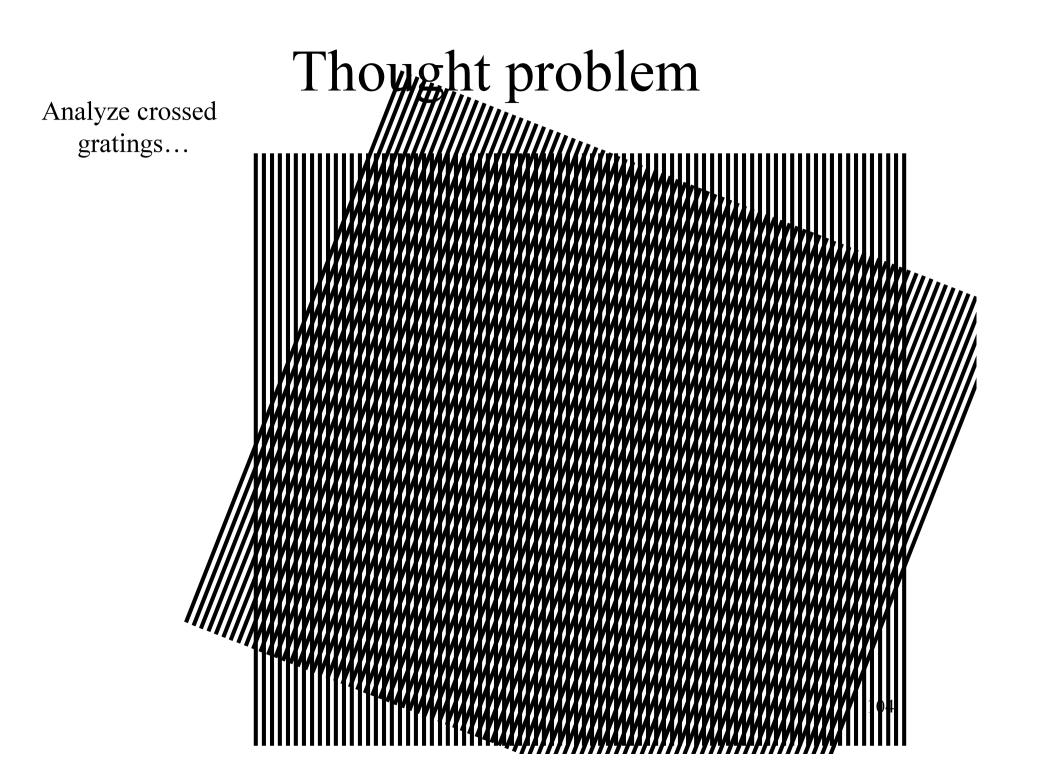
Sampling with smoothing. Top row shows the images. We get the next image by smoothing the image with a Gaussian with sigma 1 pixel, then sampling at every second pixel to get the next; bottom row shows the magnitude spectrum of these images.



Sampling with smoothing. Top row shows the images. We get the next image by smoothing the image with a Gaussian with sigma 1.4 pixels, then sampling at every second pixel to get the next; bottom row shows the magnitude spectrum of these images.

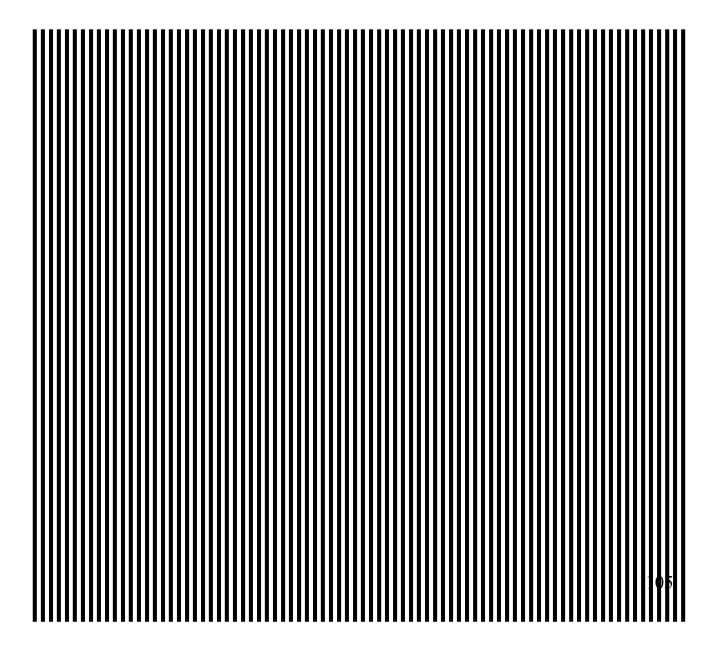
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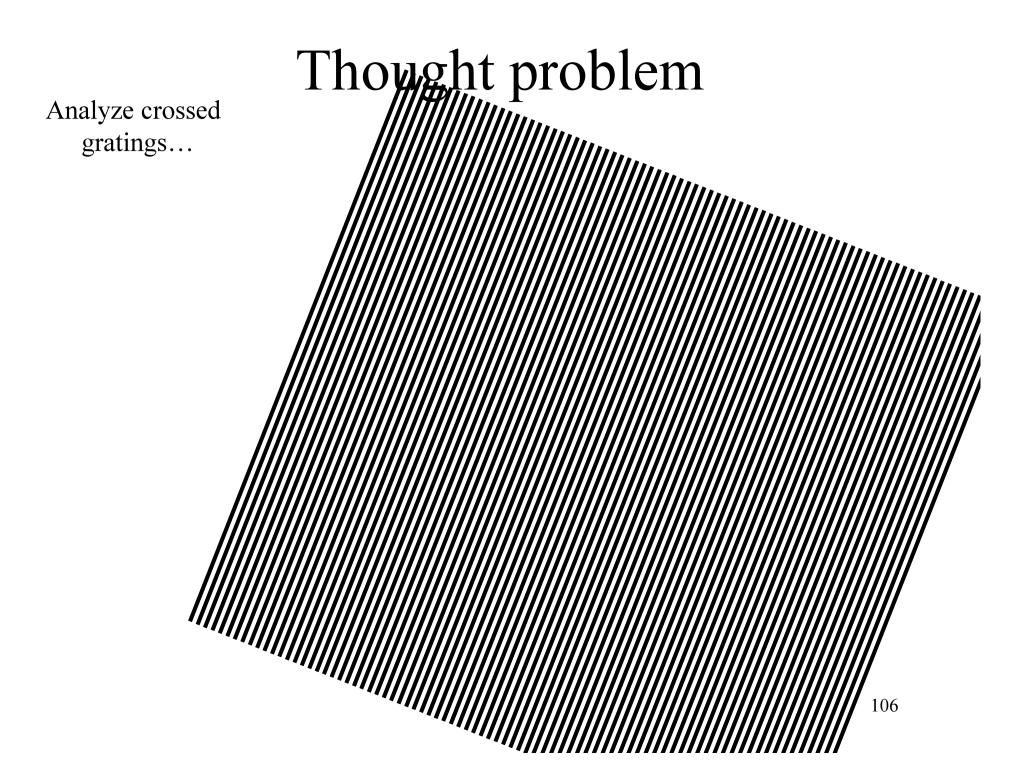




Thought problem

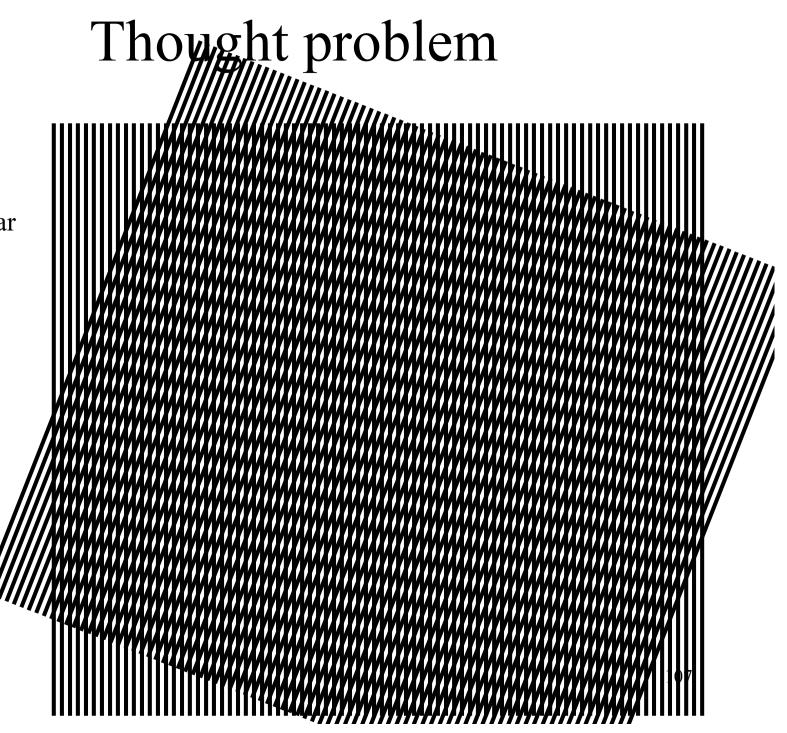
Analyze crossed gratings...





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Where does perceived near horizontal grating come from?



What is a good representation for image analysis?

- Fourier transform domain tells you "what" (textural properties), but not "where".
- Pixel domain representation tells you "where" (pixel location), but not "what".
- Want an image representation that gives you a local description of image events—what is happening where.