

Lecture 3: From continuous to discrete functions

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- Fourier transforms
- Convolution theorem
- Sampling theorem



Continuous complex fields

(last class)

Measurement device



Black box transformations

- Convolution •
- Fourier Transform •

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ML+Imaging pipeline introduction





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Fourier Transform

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Sampling Theorem

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Discrete math & Linear algebra

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U is absolutely integrable & no infinite discontinuities. The inverse Fourier transform is,

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A few examples of Fourier transform pairs, 1D





Examples of Fourier transform pairs, 2D





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 $U_2(x,y)$



deep imaging

Cheetah

Zebra

$\hat{U}_1(f_x, f_y)$







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- Shift $h(x) = f(x-a) \rightarrow H(f) = F(f) \exp(-2\pi i a f)$
- Parseval's Theorem (energy conservation) $\int |h(x)|^2 dx = \int |H(f)|^2 df$
- Fourier inversion theorem

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Convolution theorem. If $\mathcal{F}\{g(x, y)\} = G(f_X, f_Y)$ and $\mathcal{F}\{h(x, y)\} = H(f_X, f_Y)$, then

$$\mathcal{F}\left\{\iint_{-\infty}^{\infty}g(\xi,\eta)\ h(x-\xi,y-\eta)\ d\xi\ d\eta\right\}=G(f_X,f_Y)H(f_X,f_Y).$$

"The convolution of two functions in space can be performed by a multiplication in the Fourier domain (spatial frequency domain)"











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Review: black box transforms as a convolution



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Mask out copies with a rect function:

$$\operatorname{rect}\left(\frac{f_x}{2B_x}\right)\operatorname{rect}\left(\frac{f_y}{2B_y}\right)\hat{U}_s(f_x, f_y) = \hat{U}(f_x, f_y)$$

 $\left(\frac{m}{Y}\right)$

Bandwidth (B_x, B_y) of signal







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The Sampling Theorem



When sampled appropriately, a discrete signal can *exactly* reproduce a continuous signal:

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Continuous signal:

- EM field
- Sound wave
- MR signal

Discretized signal:

- Detected EM field
- Sampled sound wave
- Sampled MR signal

What does the Sampling Theorem mean for us?

(*) Under certain

conditions



Continuous fields



Discretize vectors (and matrices)





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