

Image Filtering: Part II

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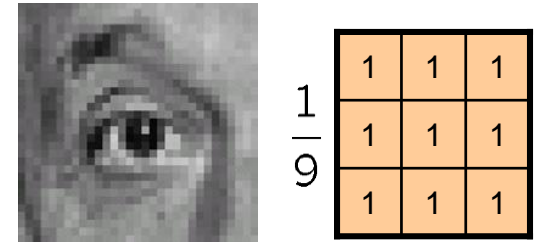
Course Website:

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Recap of Filtering

- Linear filtering is dot product at each position
 - Not a matrix multiplication
 - Can smooth, sharpen, translate (among many other uses)

- Be aware of details for filter size, extrapolation, cropping



Median filters

- A **Median Filter** operates over a window by selecting the median intensity in the window.
- What advantage does a median filter have over a mean filter?
- Is a median filter a kind of convolution?

Comparison: salt and pepper noise

Mean

Gaussian

Median

3x3



5x5



7x7



Review: questions

1. Write down a 3x3 filter that returns a positive value if the average value of the 4-adjacent neighbors is less than the center and a negative value otherwise
2. Write down a filter that will compute the gradient in the x-direction:

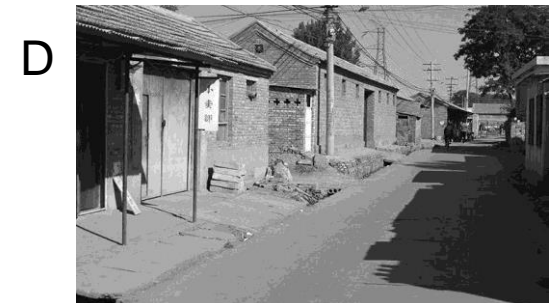
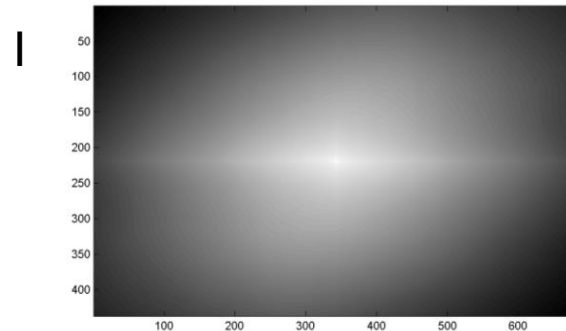
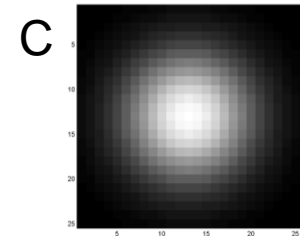
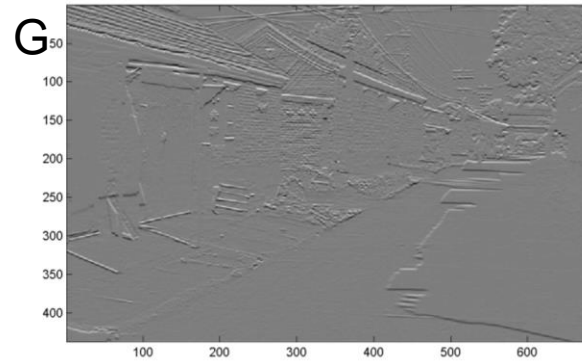
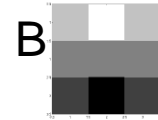
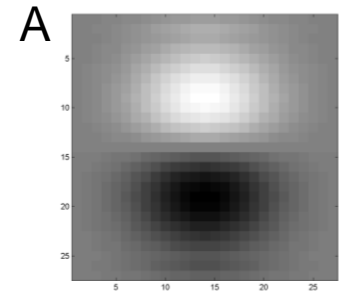
$$\text{grad}_x(y, x) = \text{im}(y, x+1) - \text{im}(y, x) \quad \text{for each } x, y$$

Review: questions

3. Fill in the blanks:

- a) $_ = D * B$
 b) $A = _ * _$
 c) $F = D * _$
 d) $_ = D * D$

Filtering Operator

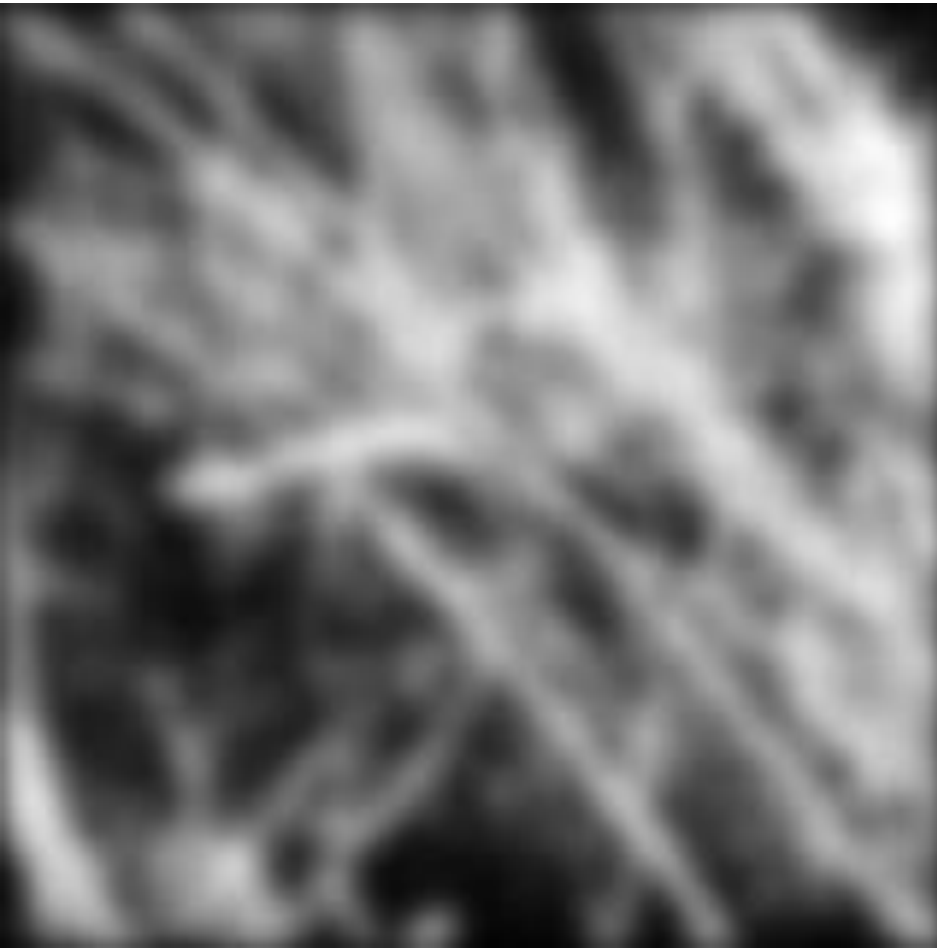


Today's Class

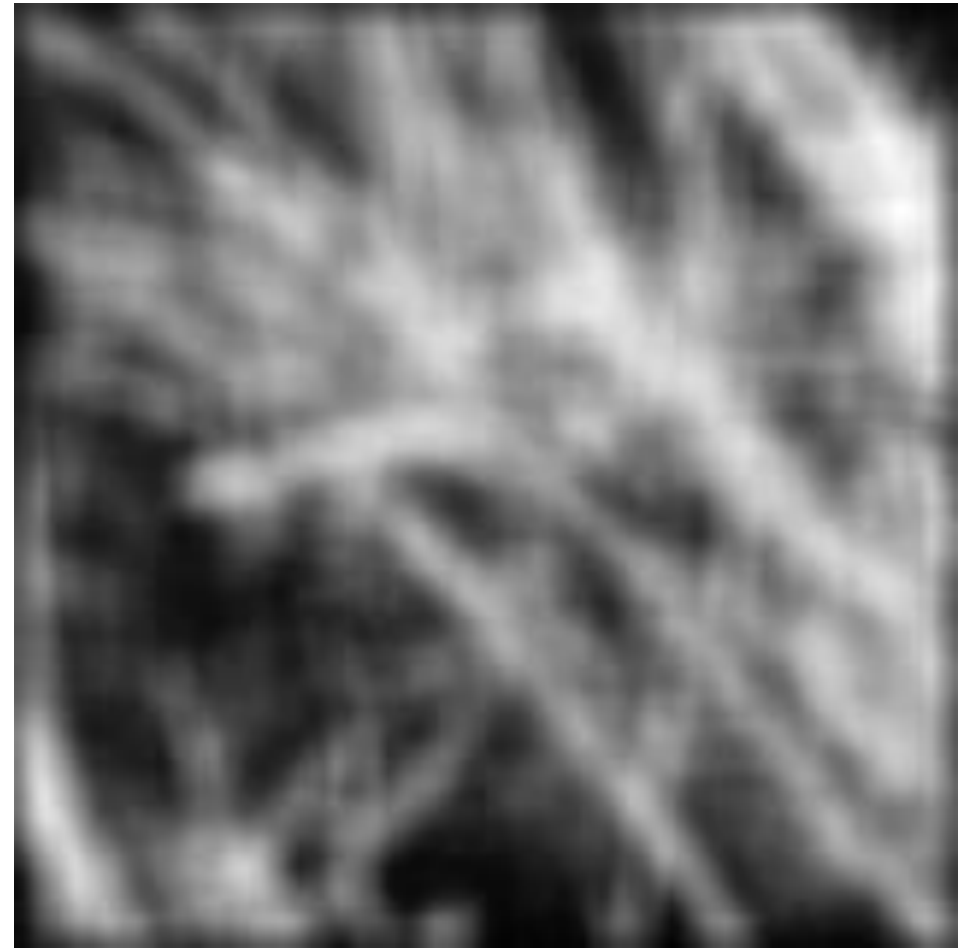
- Fourier transform and frequency domain
 - Frequency view of filtering
 - Hybrid images
 - Sampling
- Reminder: Read your textbook
 - Today's lecture covers material in 3.4

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Gaussian



Box filter



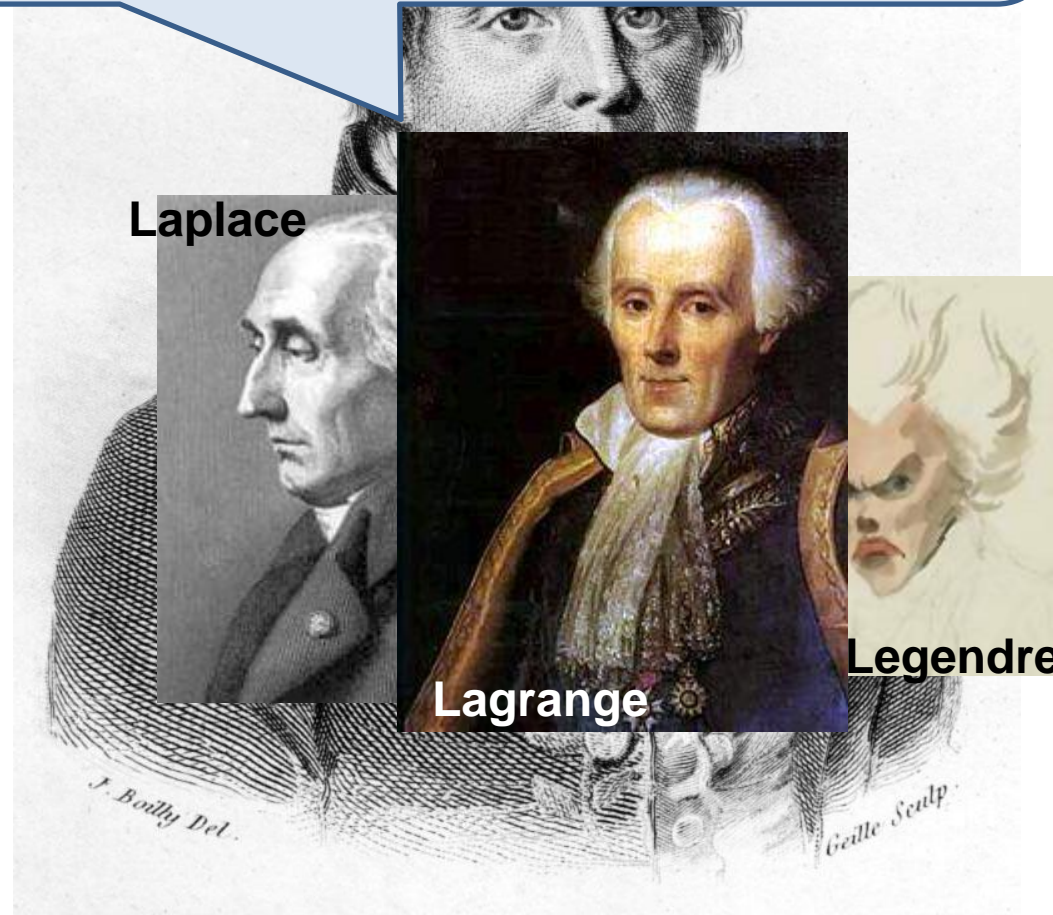
Jean Baptiste Joseph Fourier (1768-1830)

had crazy idea (1807):

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

...the manner in which the author arrives at these equations is not exempt of difficulties and...his analysis to integrate them still leaves something to be desired on the score of generality and even rigour.

- Don't believe it?
 - Neither did Lagrange, Laplace, Poisson and other big wigs
 - Not translated into English until 1878!
- But it's (mostly) true!
 - called Fourier Series
 - there are some subtle restrictions



Fourier, Joseph (1768-1830)



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French mathematician who discovered that any periodic motion can be written as a superposition of sinusoidal and cosinusoidal vibrations. He developed a mathematical theory of **heat** 🌡️ in *Théorie Analytique de la Chaleur (Analytic Theory of Heat)*, (1822), discussing it in terms of differential equations.

Fourier was a friend and advisor of Napoleon. Fourier believed that his health would be improved by wrapping himself up in blankets, and in this state he tripped down the stairs in his house and killed himself. The paper of **Galois** which he had taken home to read shortly before his death was never recovered.

SEE ALSO: [Galois](#)

Additional biographies: [MacTutor \(St. Andrews\)](#), [Bonn](#)

How would math have changed if the Slanket or Snuggie had been invented?



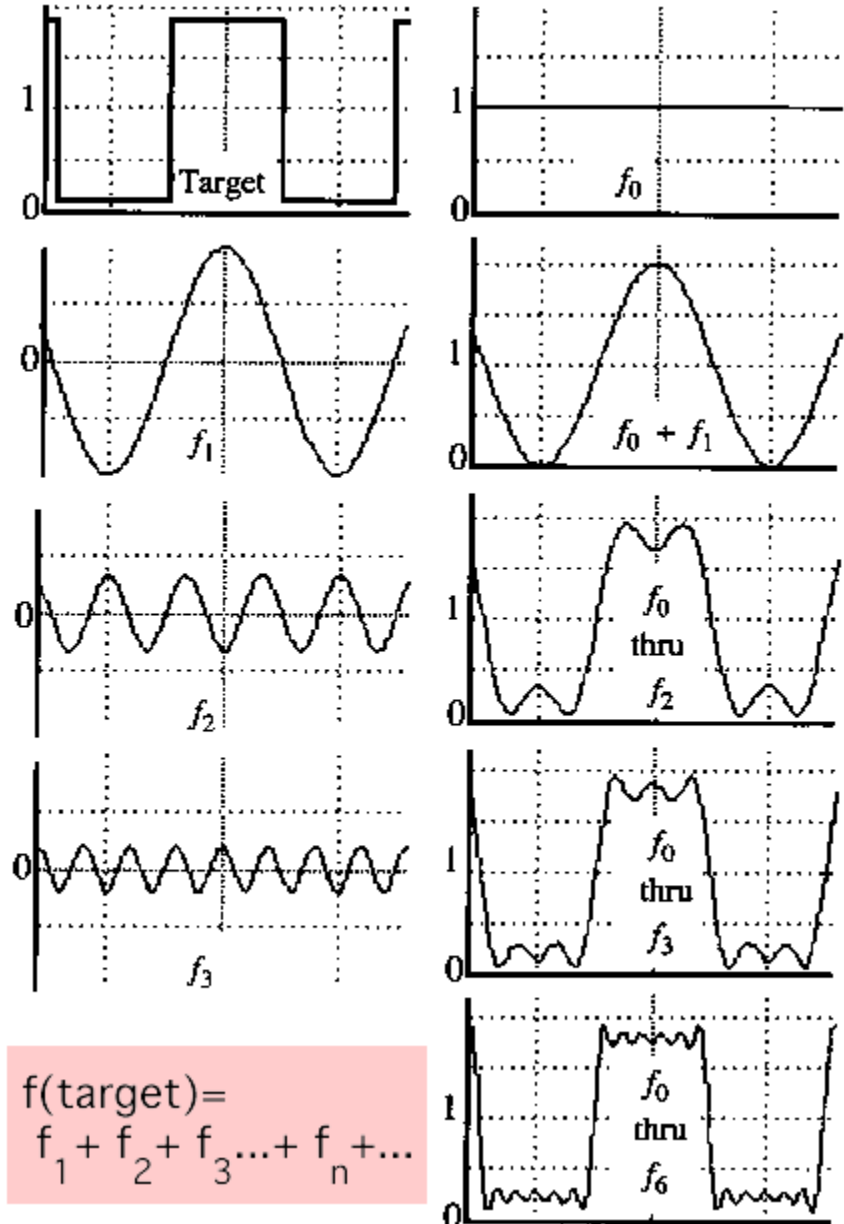
I'm wearing it as a joke!

A sum of sines

Our building block:

$$A \sin(\omega x + \phi)$$

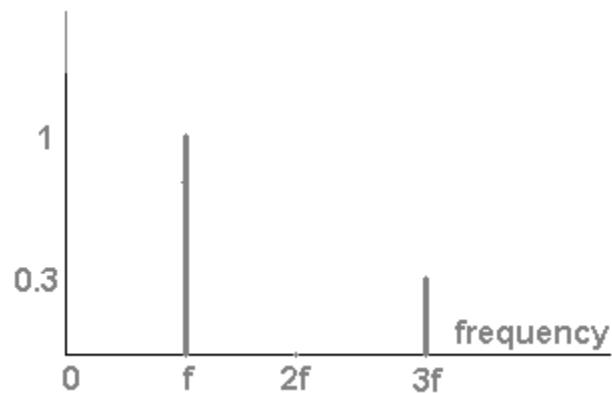
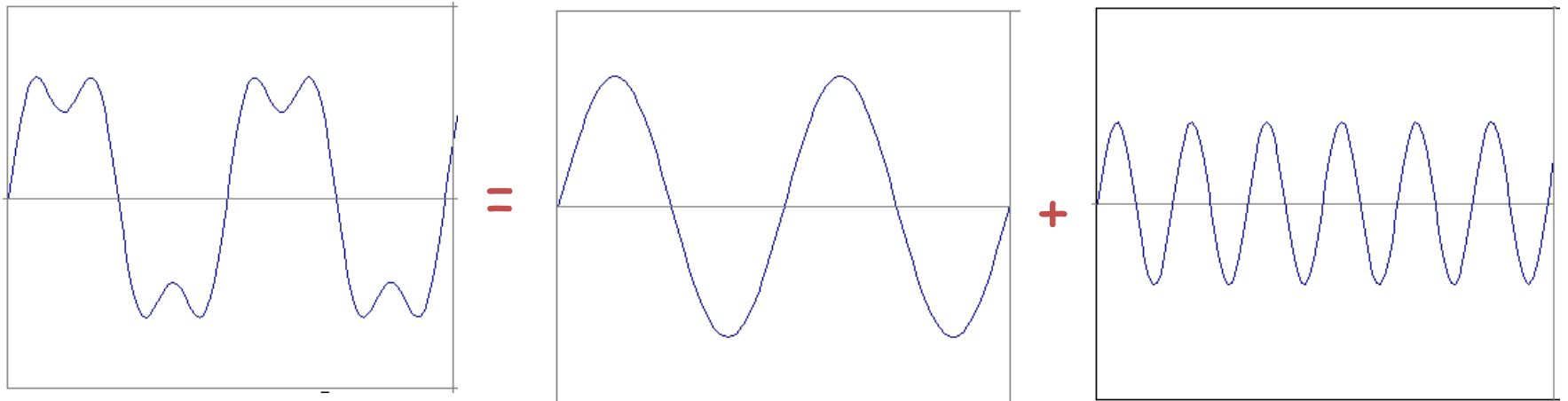
Add enough of them to get any signal $g(x)$ you want!



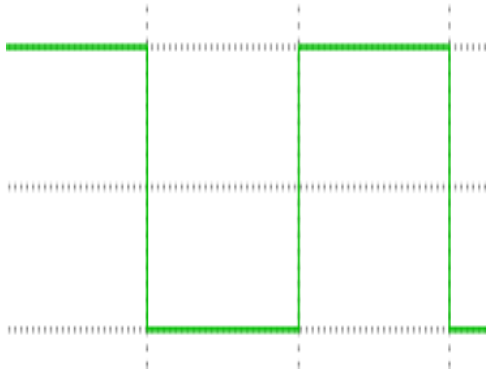
$$f(\text{target}) = f_1 + f_2 + f_3 + \dots + f_n + \dots$$

Frequency Spectra

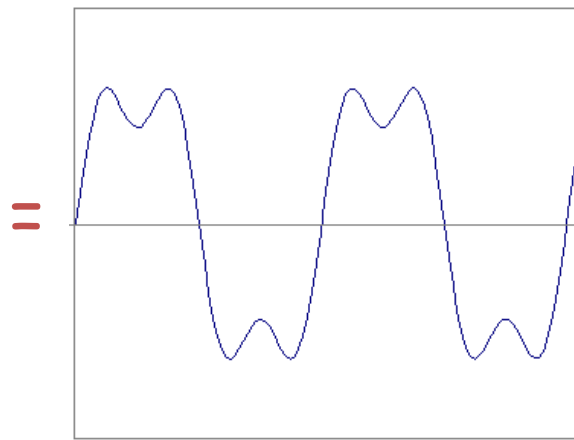
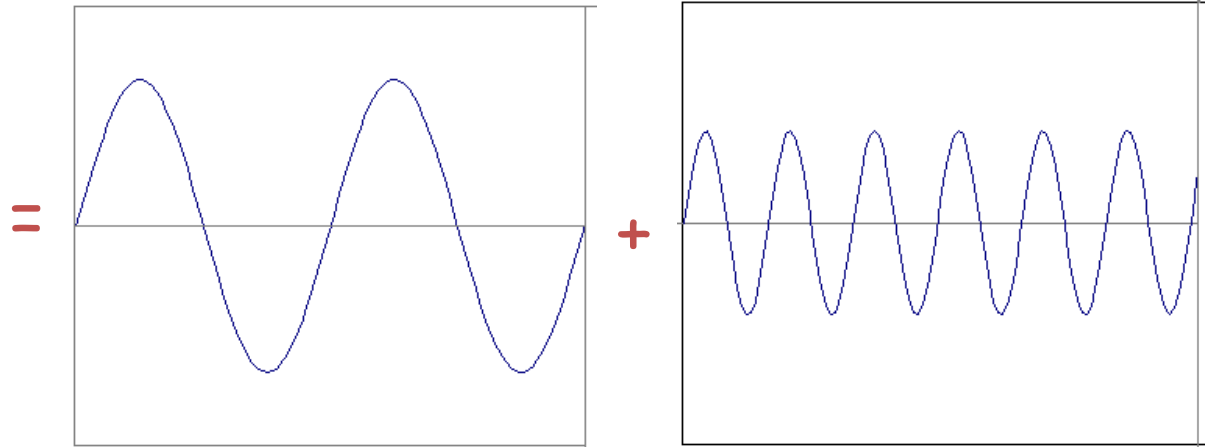
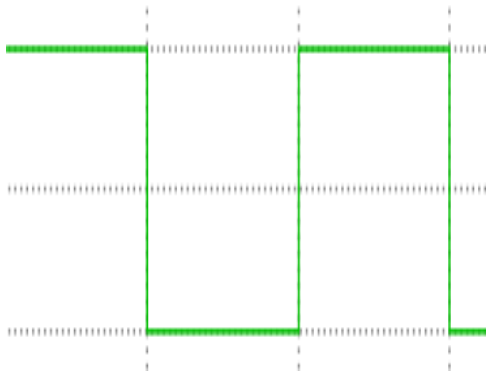
- example : $g(t) = \sin(2\pi f t) + (1/3)\sin(2\pi(3f) t)$



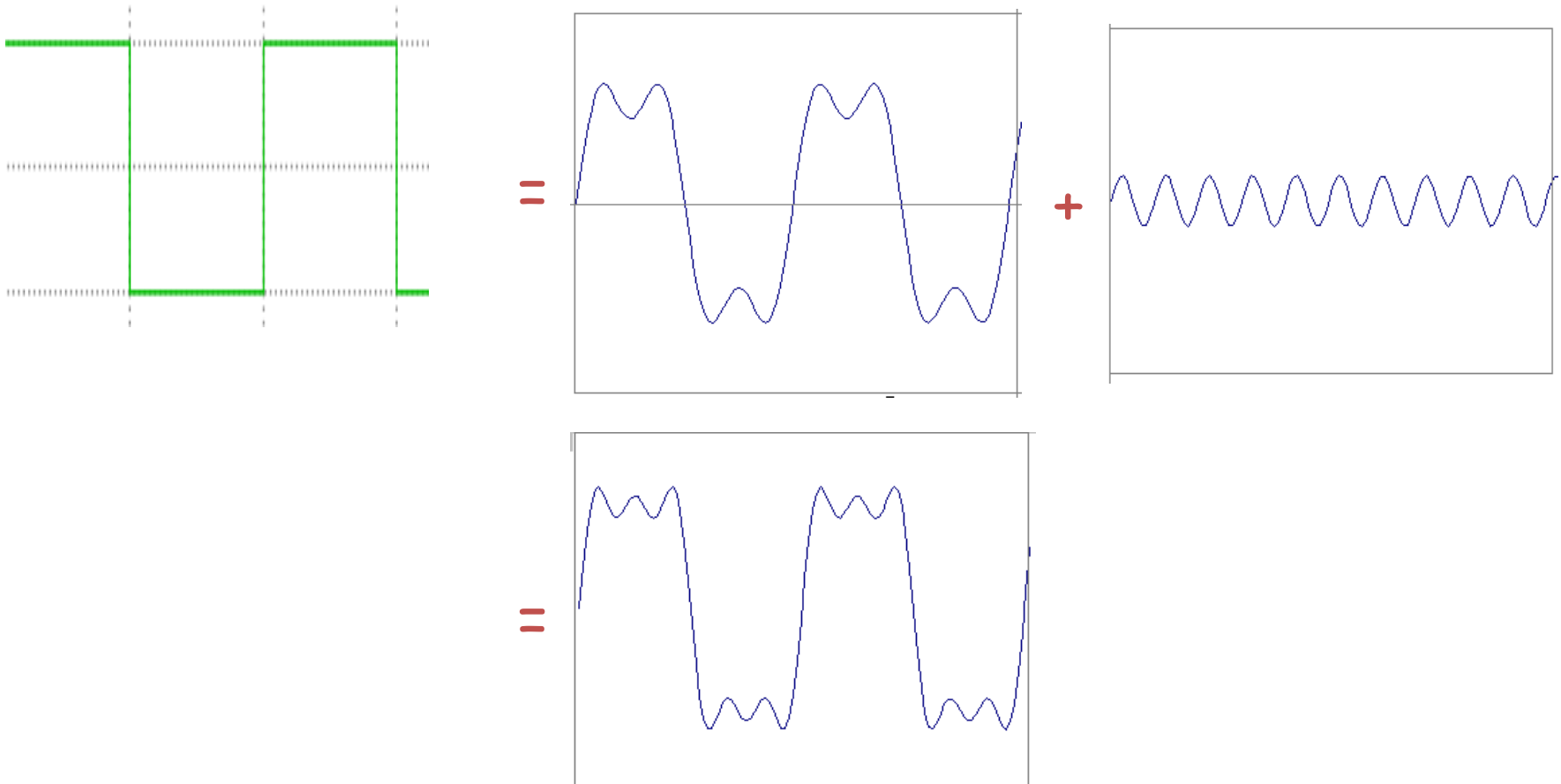
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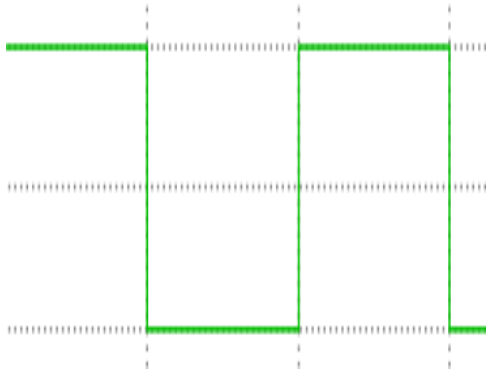
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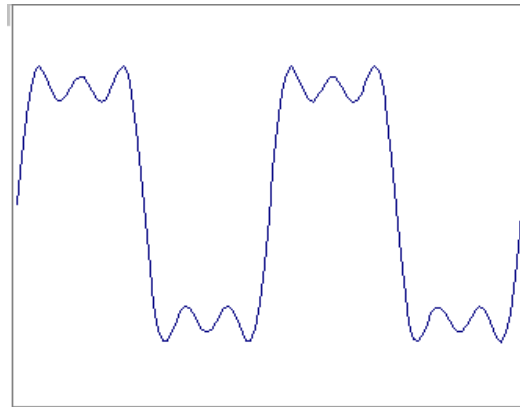
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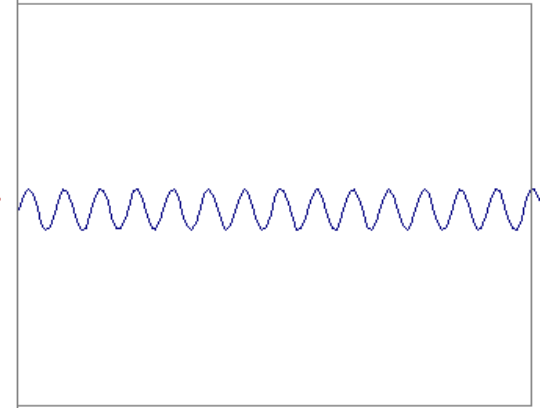
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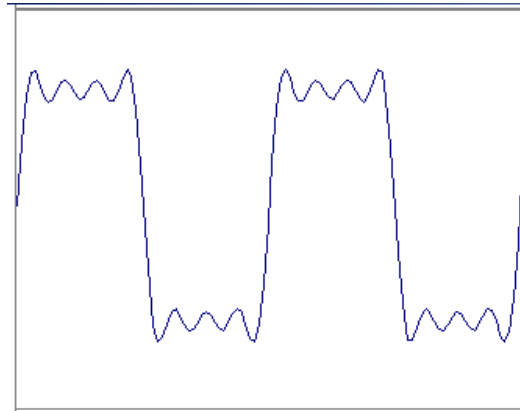
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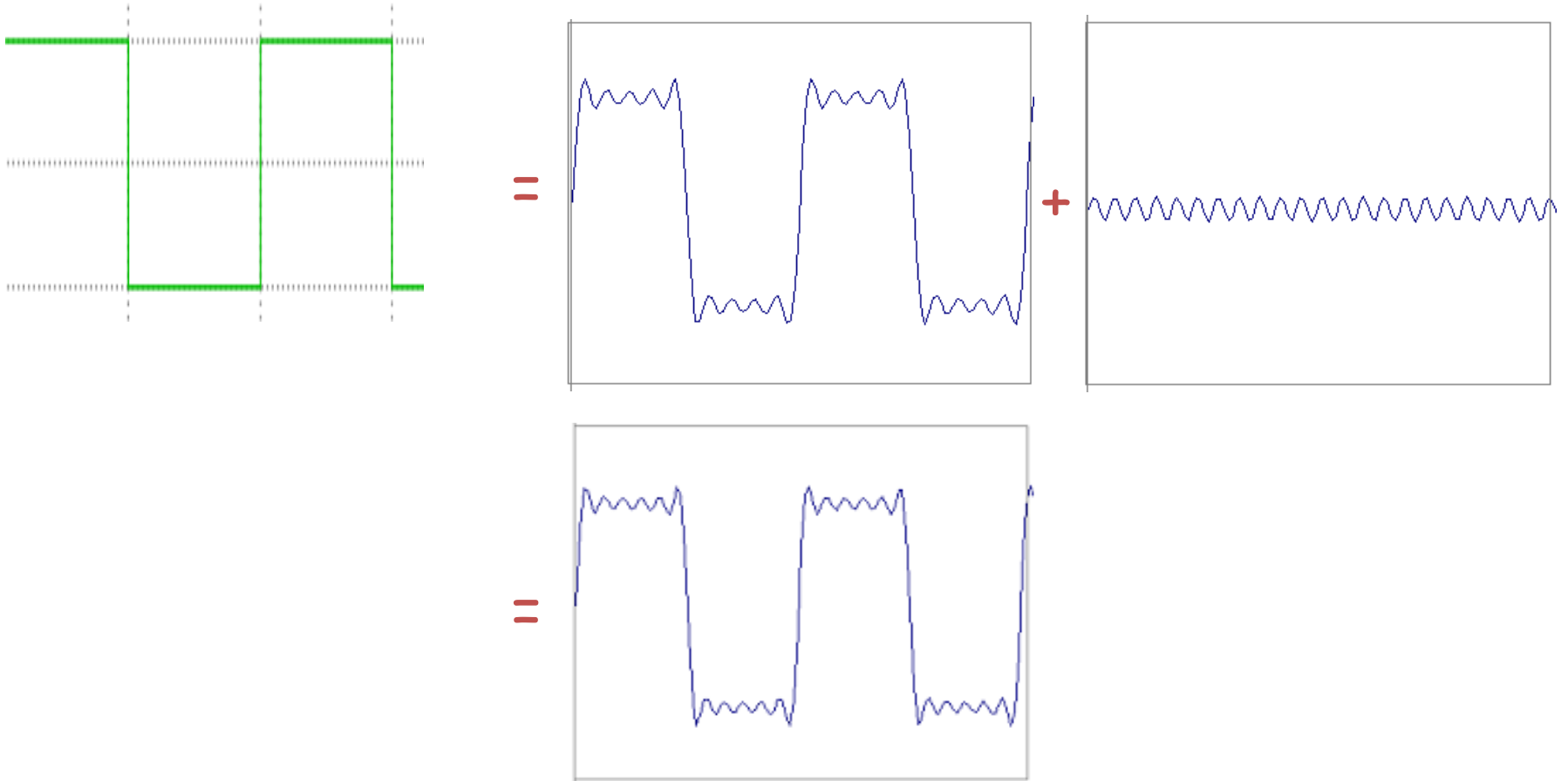
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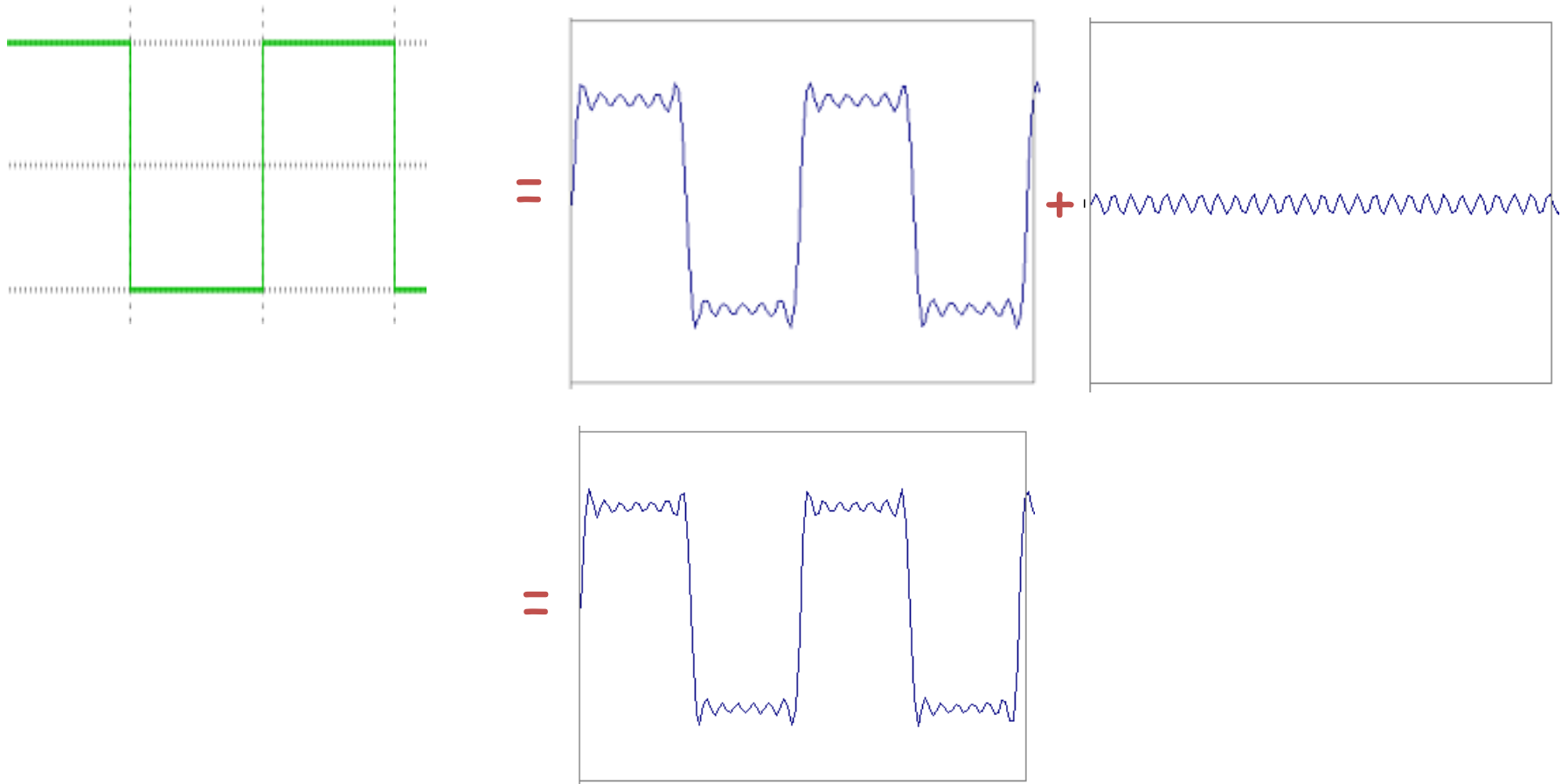
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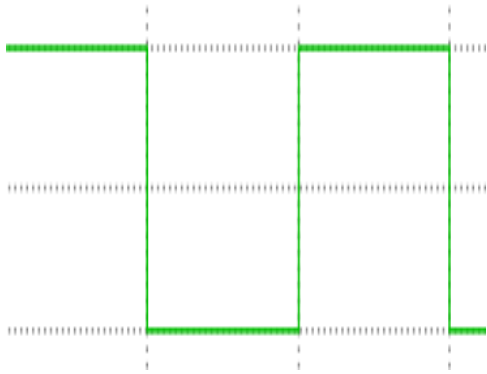
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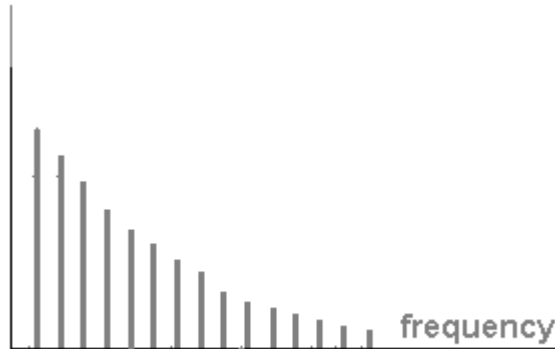
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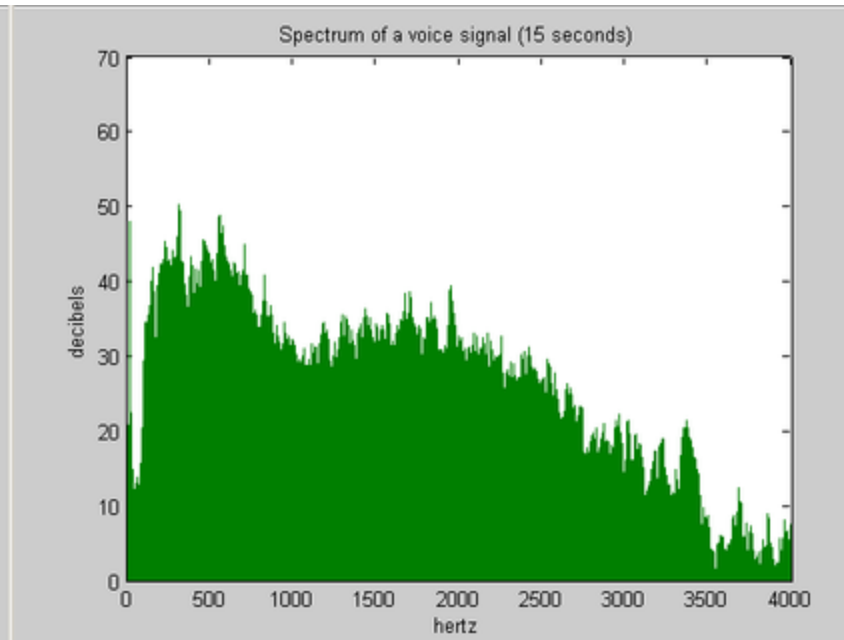
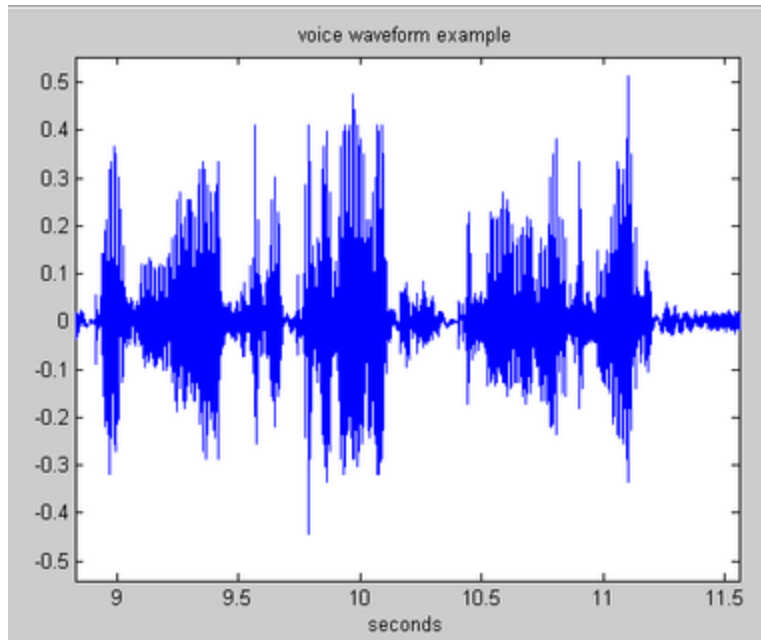


$$= A \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \sin(2\pi kt)$$



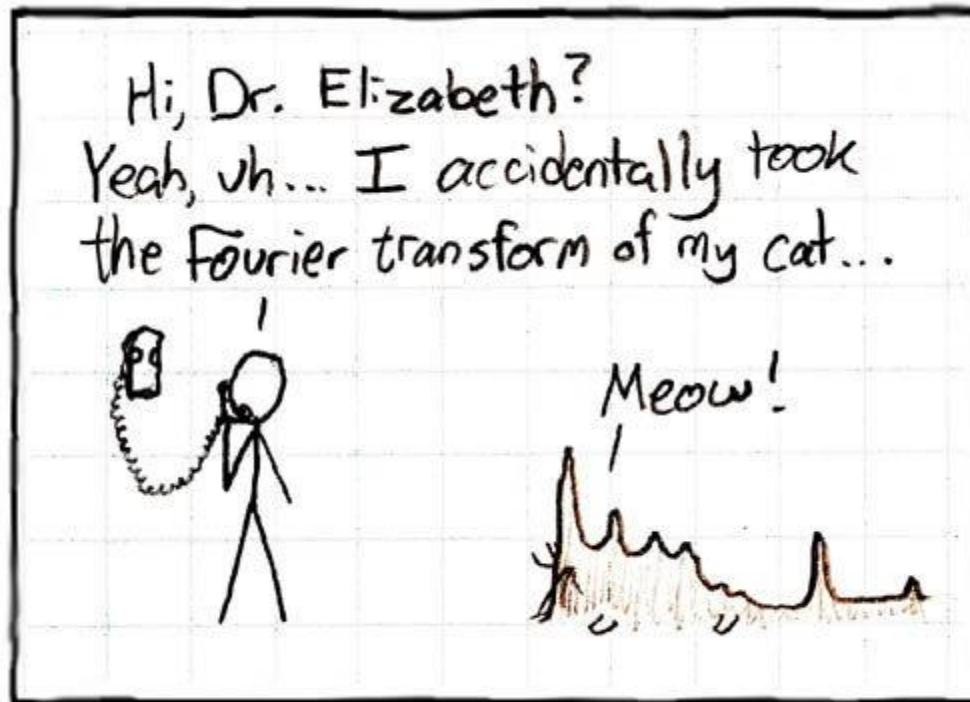
Example: Music

- We think of music in terms of frequencies at different magnitudes



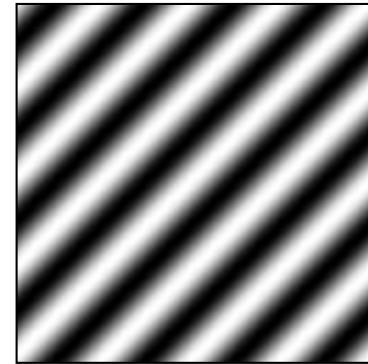
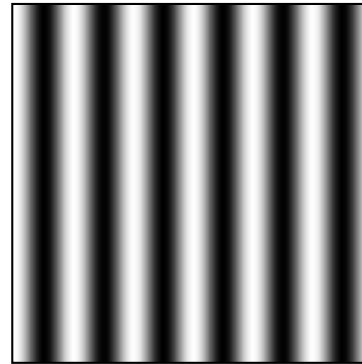
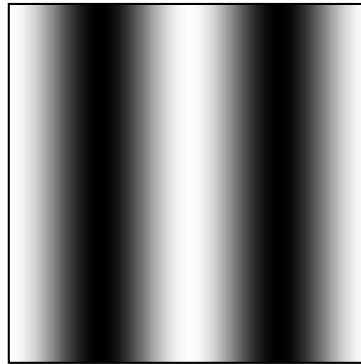
Other signals

- We can also think of all kinds of other signals the same way

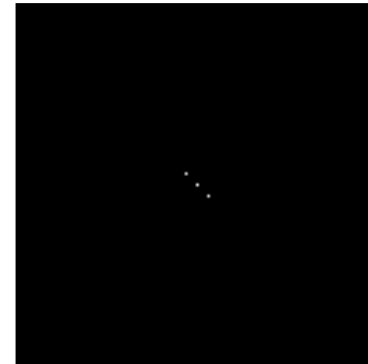
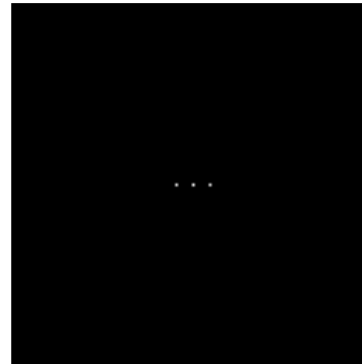
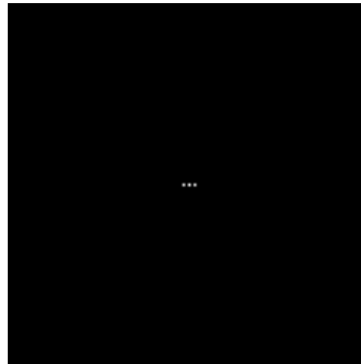


Fourier analysis in images

Intensity Image



Fourier Image



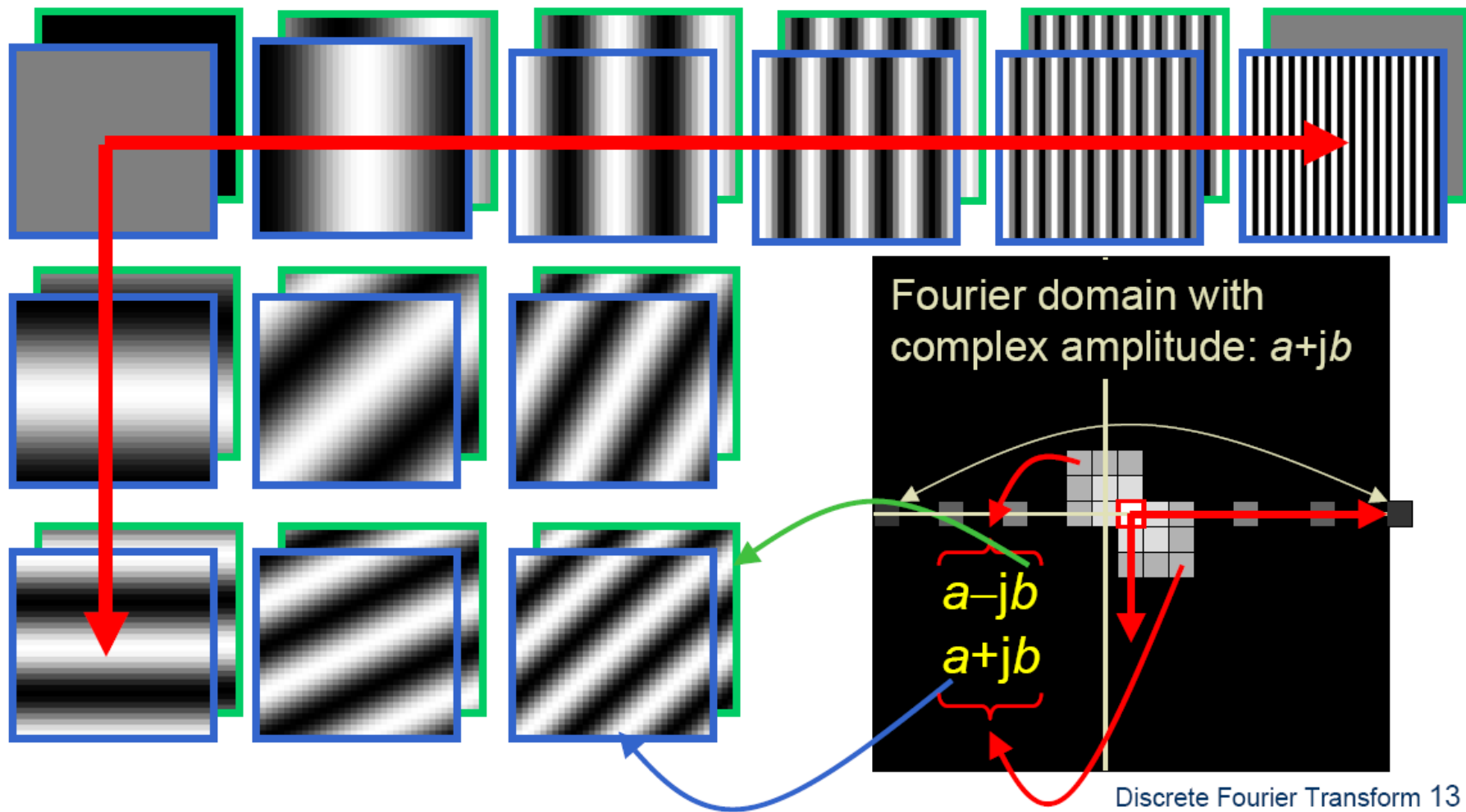
Fourier Transform

- Fourier transform stores the magnitude and phase at each frequency
 - Magnitude encodes how much signal there is at a particular frequency
 - Phase encodes spatial information (indirectly)
 - For mathematical convenience, this is often notated in terms of real and complex numbers

Amplitude: $A = \pm\sqrt{R(\omega)^2 + I(\omega)^2}$

Phase: $\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{I(\omega)}{R(\omega)}$

Fourier Bases



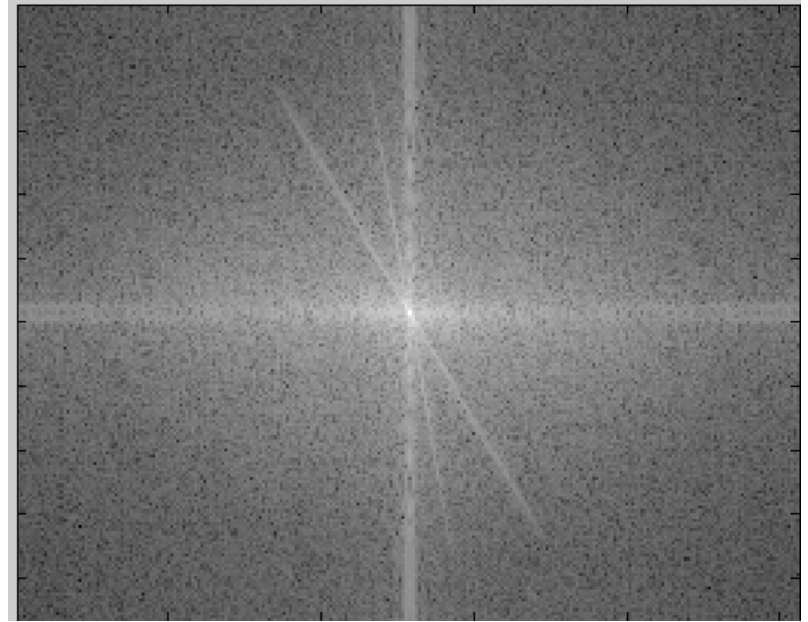
in Matlab, check out: `imagesc(log(abs(fftshift(fft2(im)))));`

Intermission

Slow mo guys – Saccades and CRTs

- <https://youtu.be/Fmg9ZOHESgQ?t=21s>
- <https://youtu.be/3BJU2drirtCM>

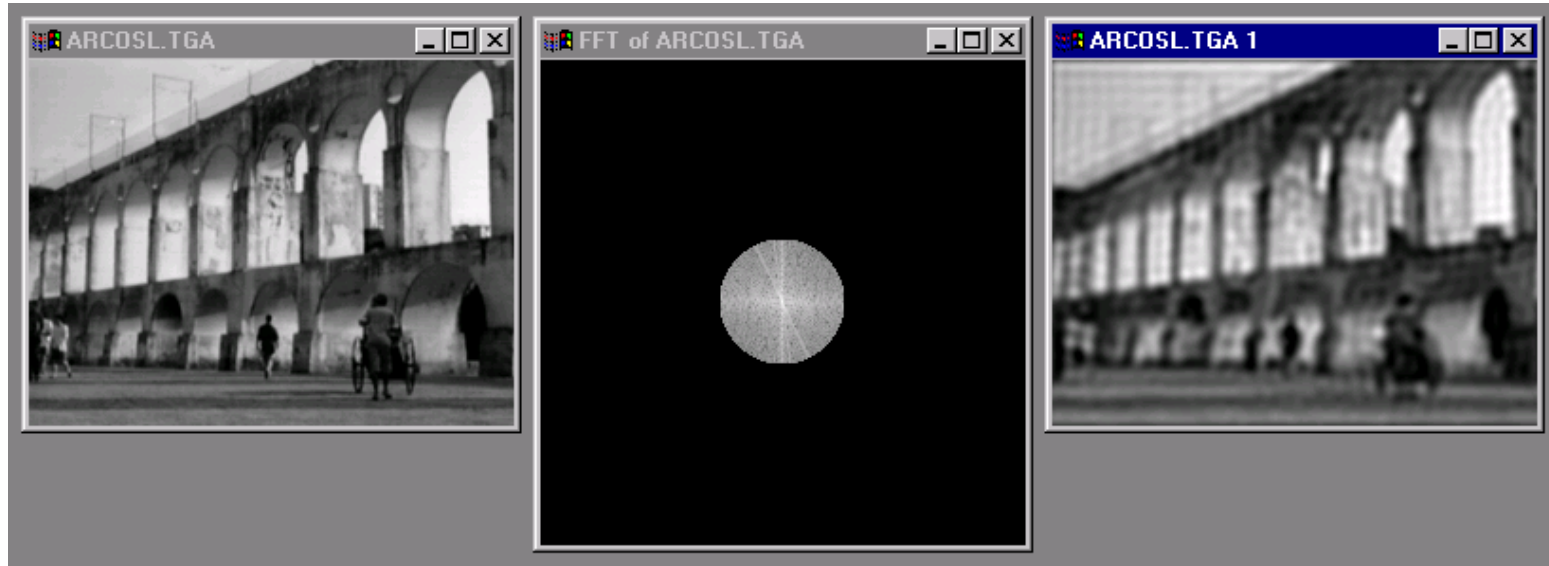
Man-made Scene



Can change spectrum, then reconstruct



Low and High Pass filtering



The Convolution Theorem

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

$$F[g * h] = F[g]F[h]$$

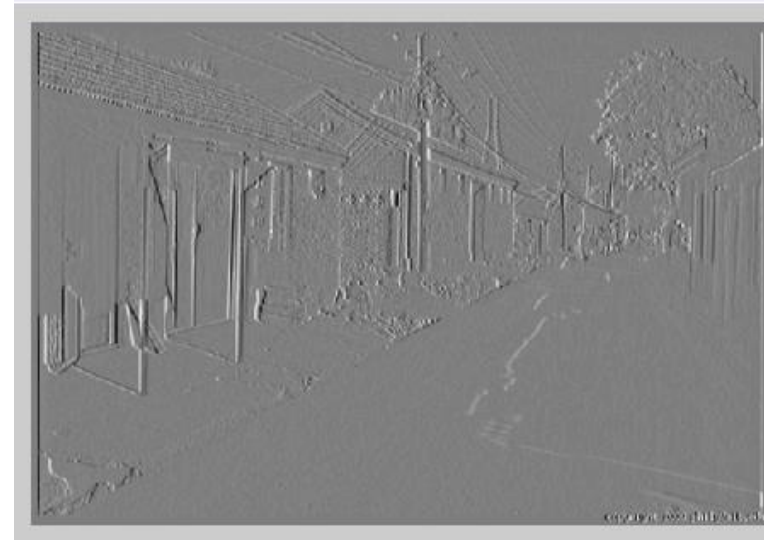
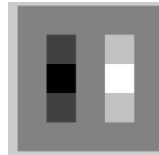
- **Convolution** in spatial domain is equivalent to **multiplication** in frequency domain!

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

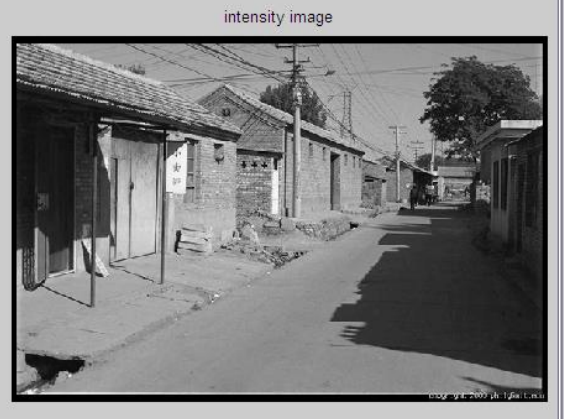
Filtering in spatial domain

1	0	-1
2	0	-2
1	0	-1

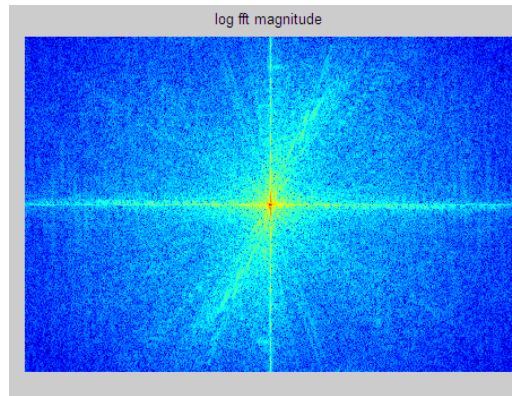
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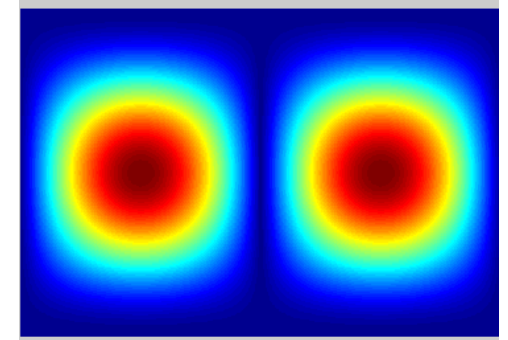
Filtering in frequency domain



FFT

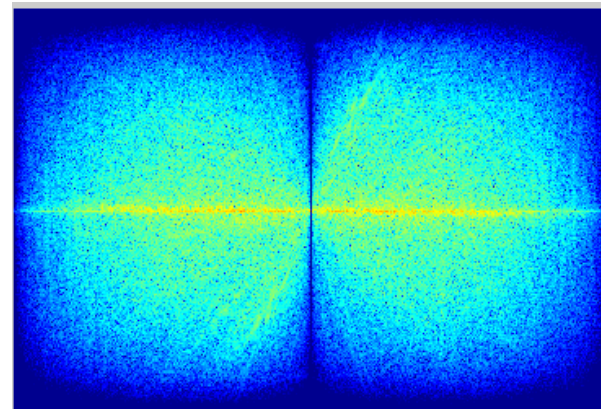


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Inverse FFT



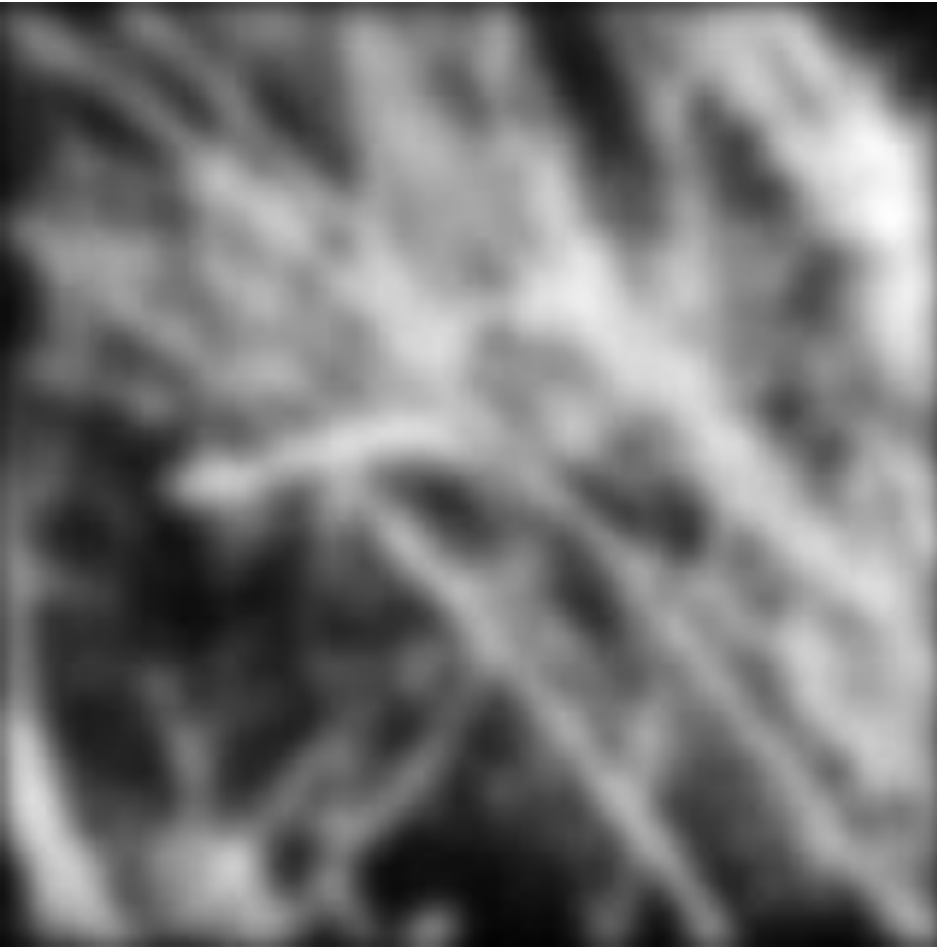
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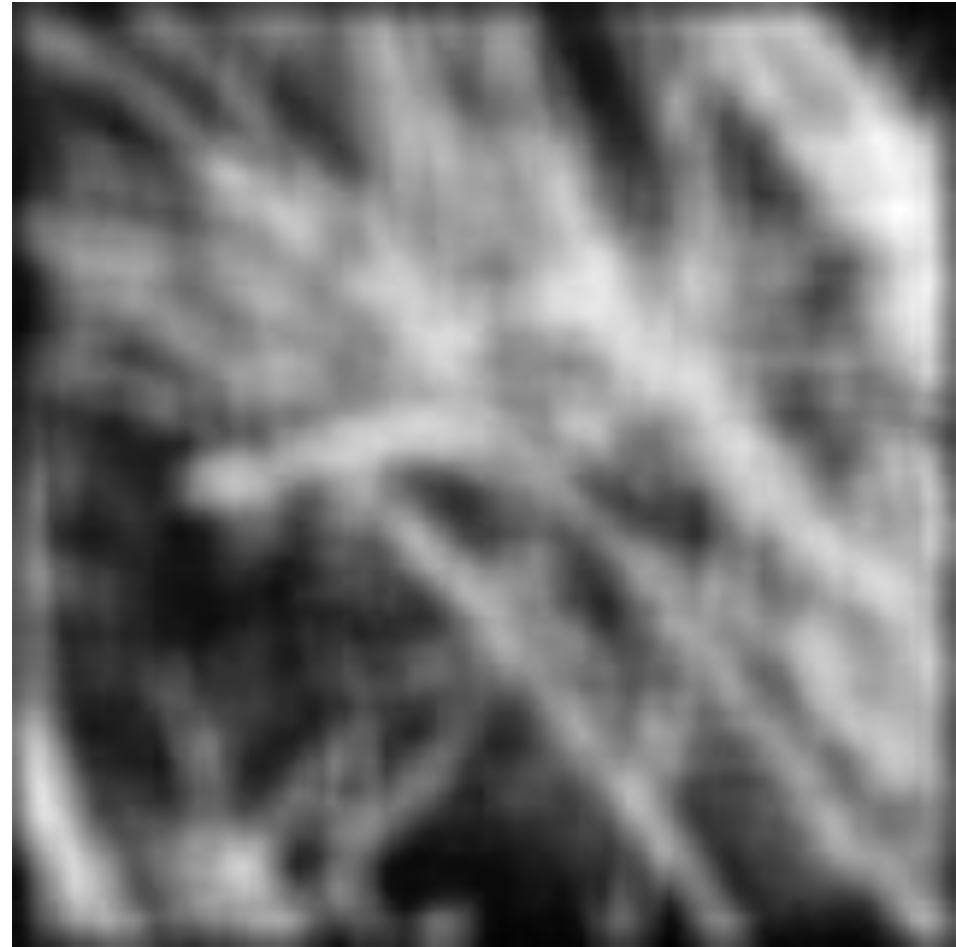
Filtering

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Gaussian



Box filter

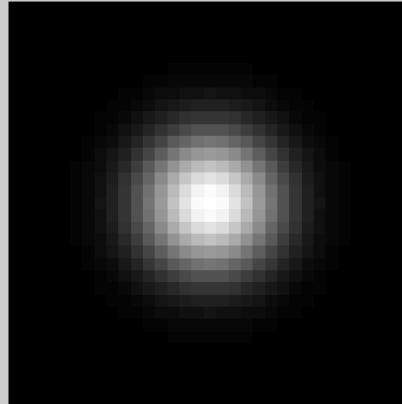


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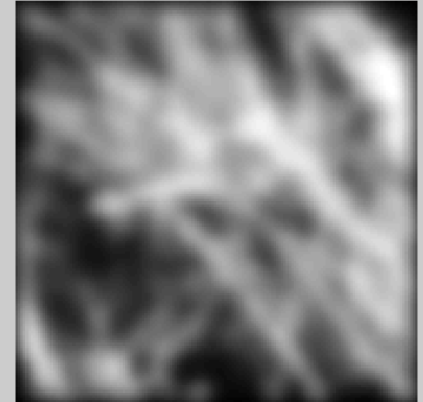
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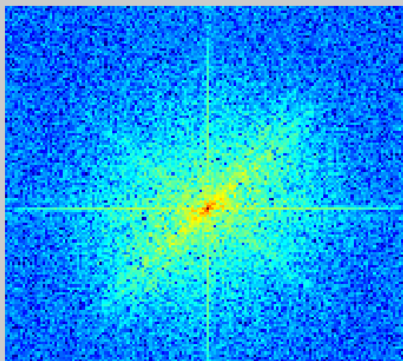
filter: gaussian



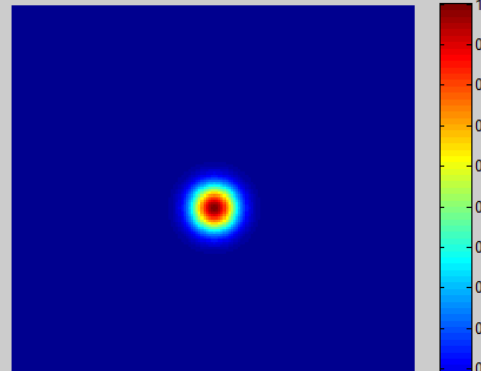
filtered image



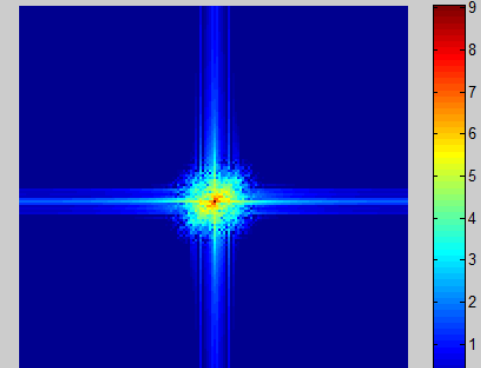
log fit magnitude of image



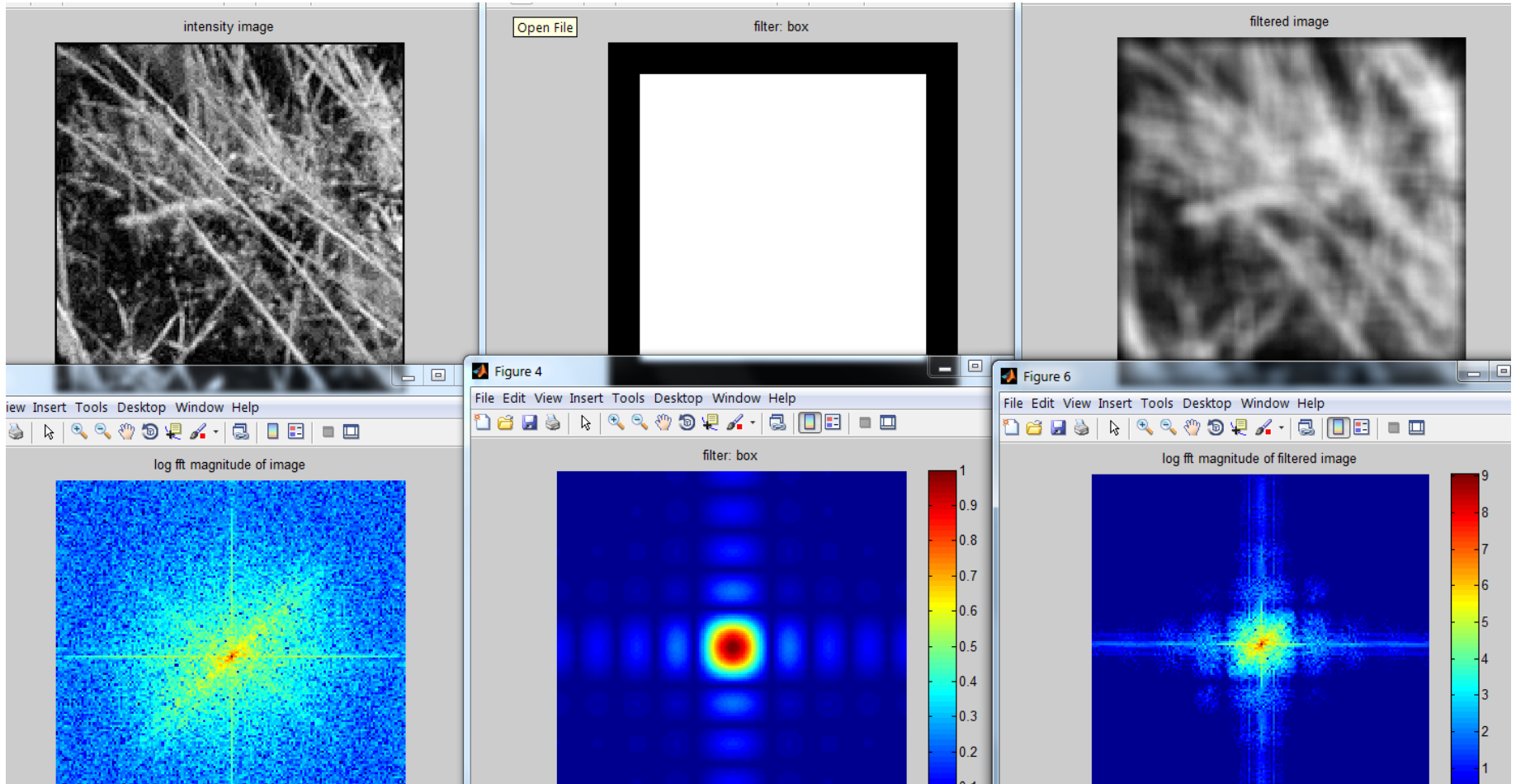
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log fit magnitude of filtered image



Box Filter



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?

Project 1: Image Filtering

- Design a system for image filtering: you can select one of these two filters: (a) Gaussian filter; (b) sharpening filter.
- Experimental result demonstration: original images **vs.** filtered images