

# Lecture 3

## Image Filtering

CMSC 491/691

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Travelling to a different country in a movie starterpack  
**Hollywood: Image Filtering is all you need**

USA



Mexico



India



Canada



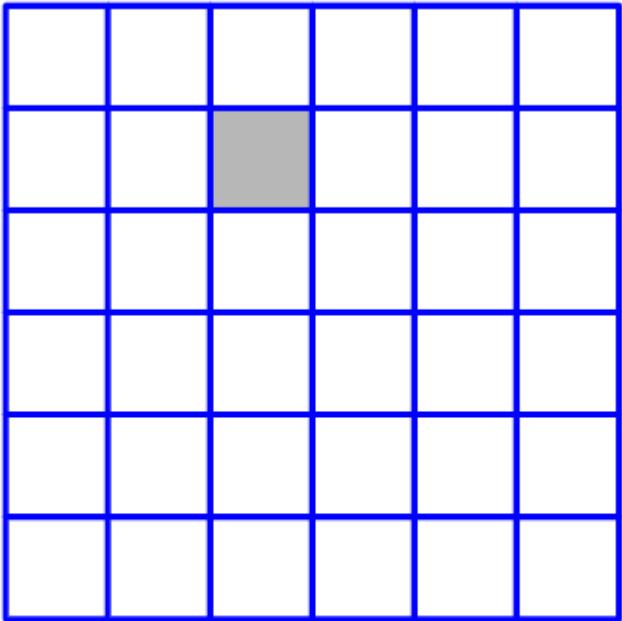
Scandinavia /  
Eastern Europe



South America



# An image is a matrix of pixels

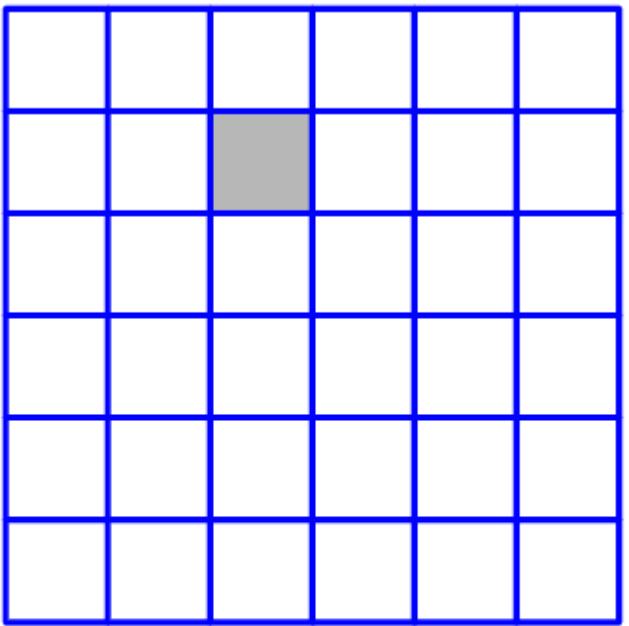


$F[x,y]$

An array of numbers ("pixels")  
 $x,y$  are integer column/row indices

# Subsampling

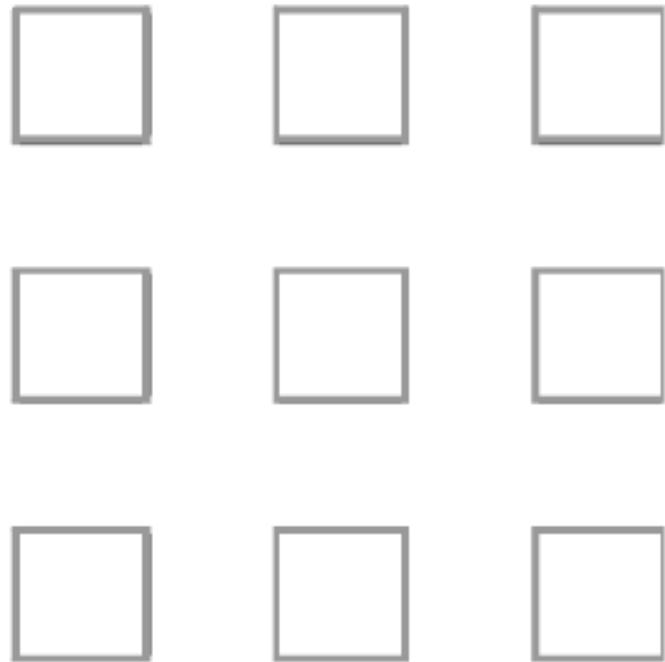




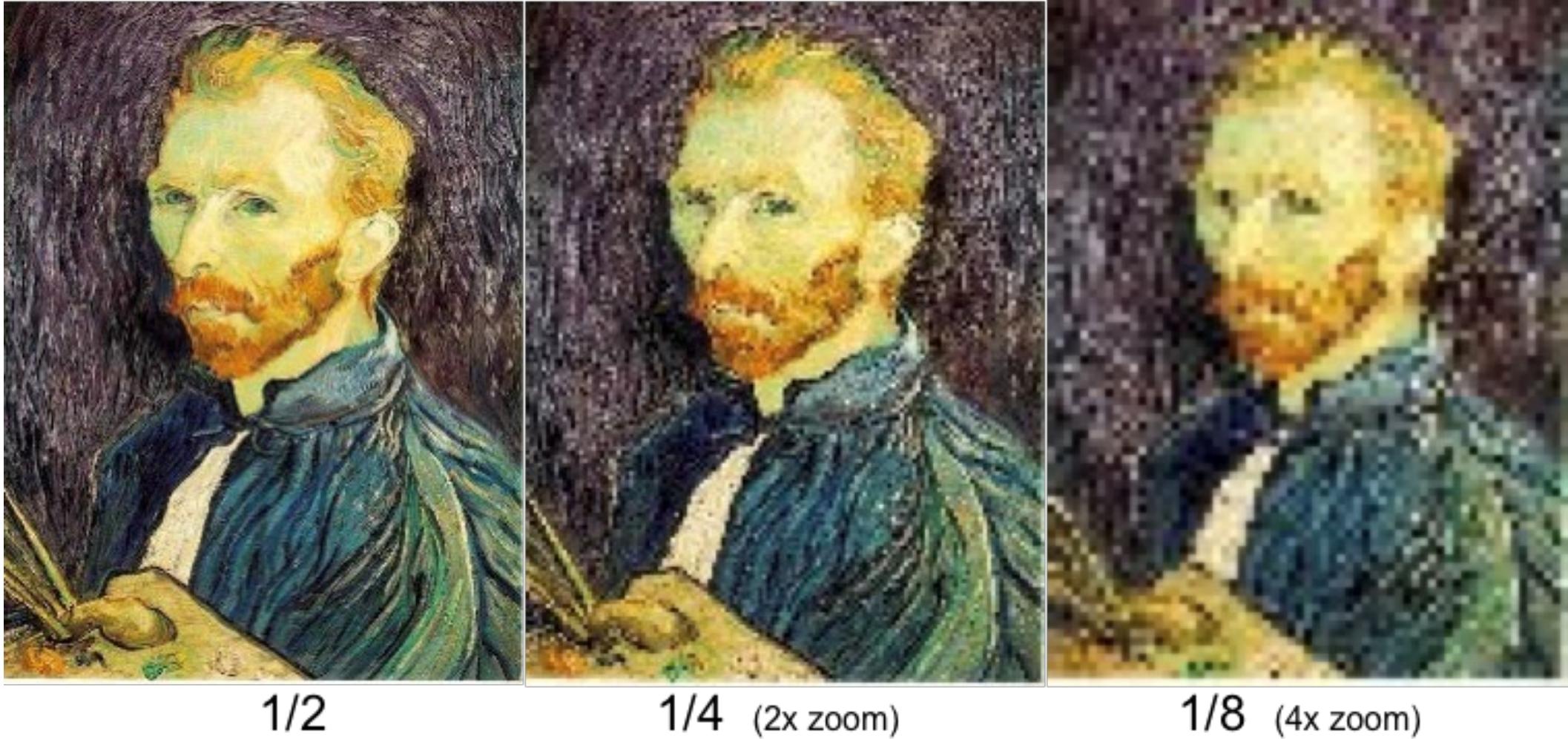
$F[x,y]$

An array of numbers ("pixels")  
x,y are integer column/row indices

Throw away even rows  
and columns

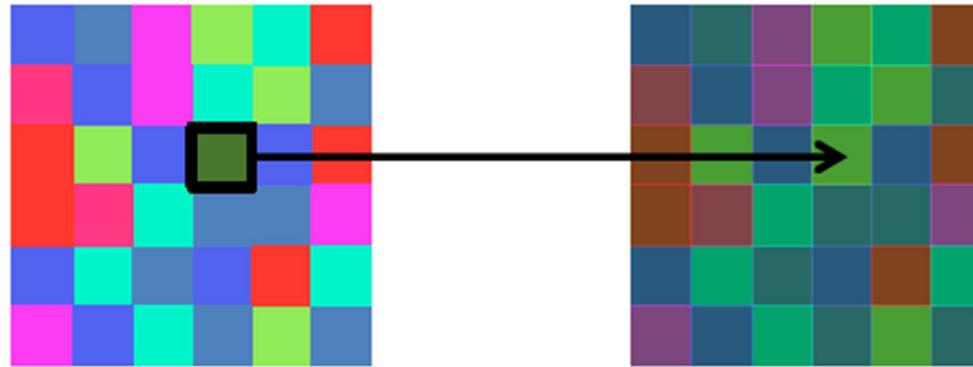


# Subsampling



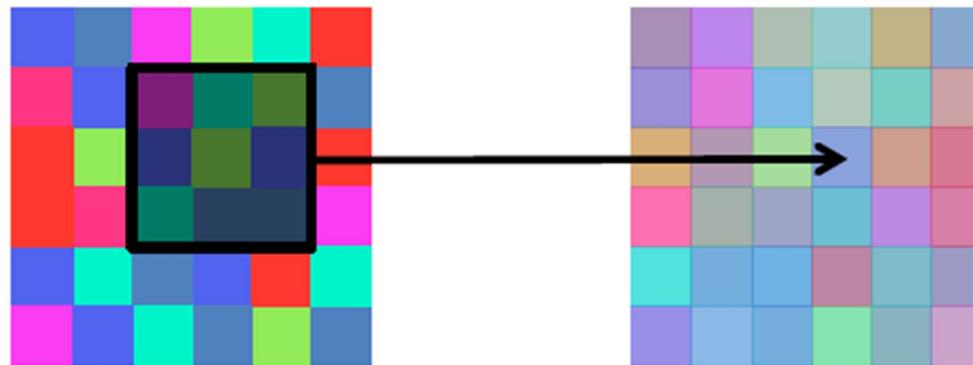
# Point Processing vs Image Filtering

Point Operation



point processing

Neighborhood Operation

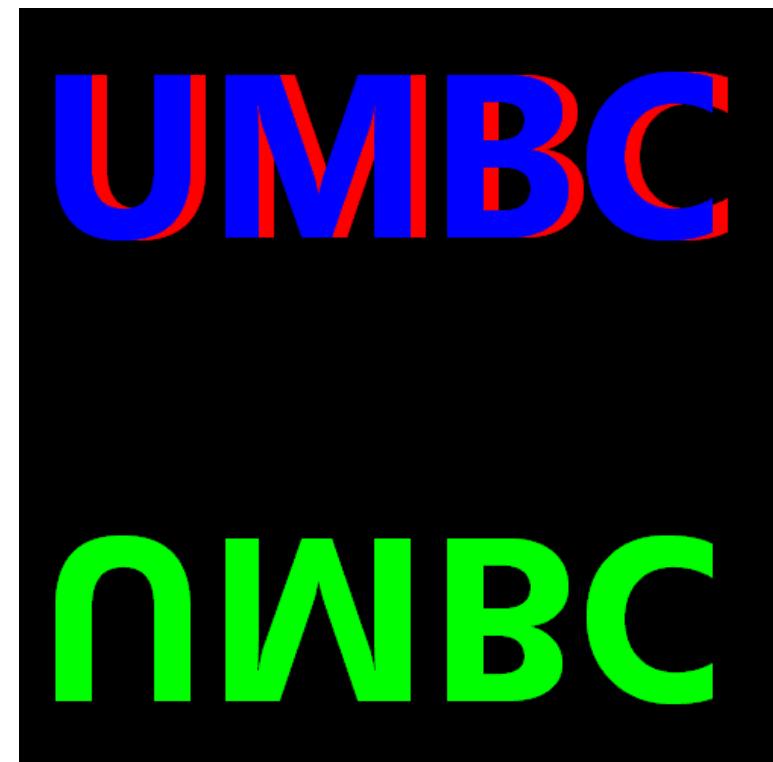
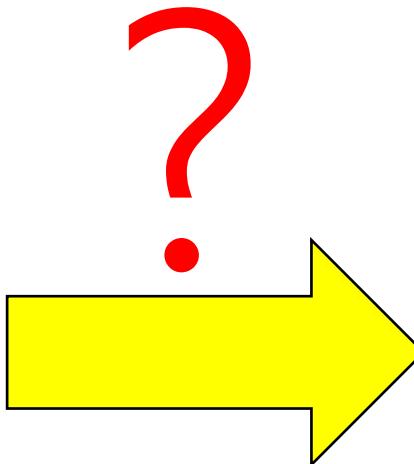


“filtering”

Recap

# Quiz!

Write an Equation to generate  $X_{out}$   
using  $X$ , appropriate filters, point operators, etc.



$X$

$X_{out}$

```
1 import numpy as np
2 import imageio as io
3 import scipy.ndimage
4
5 x = io.imread("x.png", as_gray=False, pilmode="RGB")/255.
6
7 x_red = np.matmul(x, [[1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
8 x_green = np.matmul(x, [[0, 0, 0], [0, 1, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
9 x_blue = np.matmul(x, [[0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 1]])
10
11 x_green_flipped = np.flip(x_green, axis=0)
12
13 io.imwrite("x_red.png", x_red)
14 io.imwrite("x_blue.png", x_blue)
15 io.imwrite("x_green.png", x_green)
16 io.imwrite("x_green_flipped.png", x_green_flipped)
17
18 x_1 = x_blue + x_green_flipped
19 io.imwrite("x_1.png", x_1)
20
21 x_rightshift = scipy.ndimage.shift(x, [0, 10, 0])
22 io.imwrite("x_rightshift.png", x_rightshift)
23
24 x_underlay = x_rightshift - x*x_rightshift
25 io.imwrite("x_underlay.png", x_underlay)
26
27 x_red_underlay = np.matmul(x_underlay, [[1, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0], [0, 0, 0]])
28 io.imwrite("x_red_underlay.png", x_red_underlay)
29
30 x_2 = x_1 + x_red_underlay
31 io.imwrite("x_2.png", x_2)
```

# Example: box filter

$$\frac{1}{9} \begin{matrix} g[\cdot, \cdot] \\ \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array} \end{matrix}$$

# Image filtering

$$g[\cdot, \cdot] \frac{1}{9} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$f[.,.]$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	0	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$h[.,.]$


$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Image filtering

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$f[.,.]$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	0	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$h[.,.]$

0	10									

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$f[.,.]$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	0	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$h[.,.]$

			0	10	20					

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	0	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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# Image filtering

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0	0
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0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$h[.,.]$

			0	10	20	30	30				

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# Image filtering

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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
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0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$h[.,.]$

	0	10	20	30	30					

$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Image filtering

$f[.,.]$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	90	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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$h[.,.]$

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$$f[., .]$$

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0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
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0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$$h[., .]$$

	0	10	20	30	30	30	20	10	
	0	20	40	60	60	60	40	20	
	0	30	60	90	90	90	60	30	
	0	30	50	80	80	90	60	30	
	0	30	50	80	80	90	60	30	
	0	20	30	50	50	60	40	20	
	10	20	30	30	30	30	20	10	
	10	10	10	0	0	0	0	0	

$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

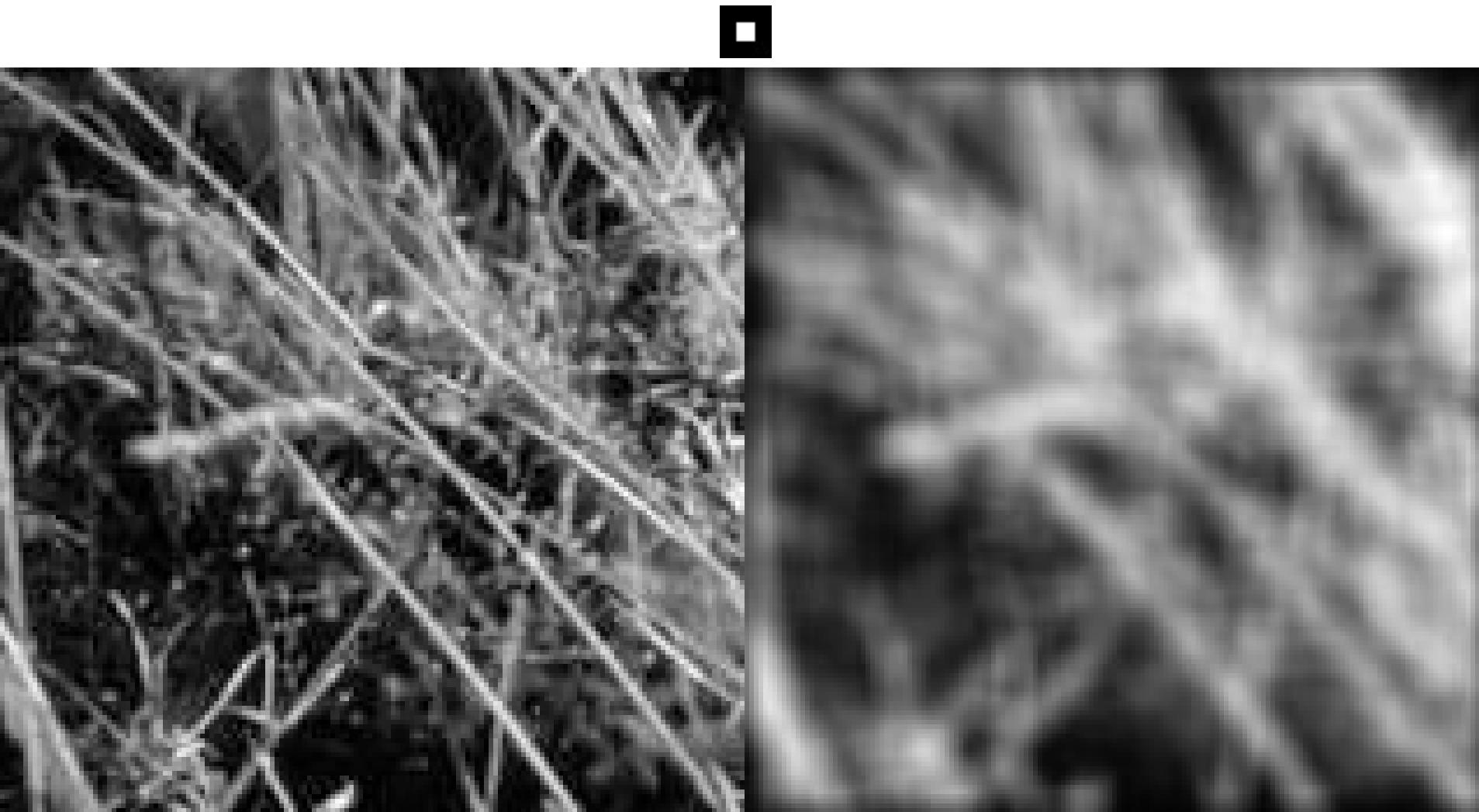
# Box Filter

What does it do?

- Replaces each pixel with an average of its neighborhood
- Achieve smoothing effect (remove sharp features)

$$\frac{1}{9} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Smoothing with box filter



# Practice with linear filters

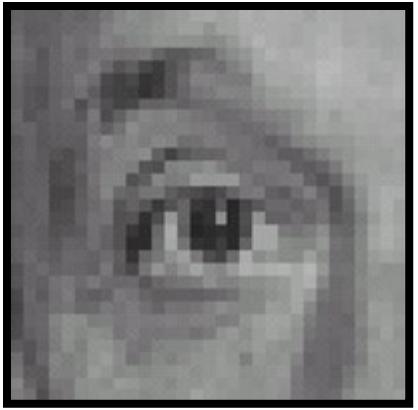


Original

0	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0

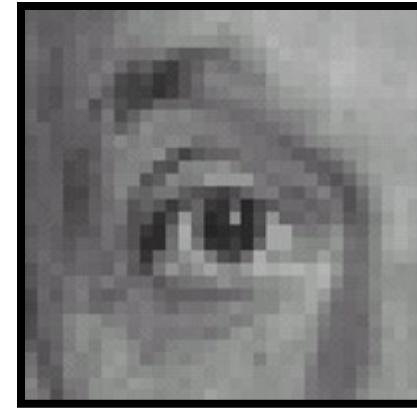
?

# Practice with linear filters



Original

0	0	0
0	1	0
0	0	0



Filtered  
(no change)

# Practice with linear filters



Original

0	0	0
0	0	1
0	0	0

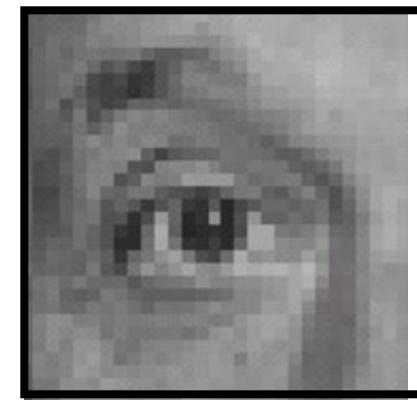
?

# Practice with linear filters



Original

0	0	0
0	0	1
0	0	0



Shifted left  
By 1 pixel

# Practice with linear filters



Original

0	0	0
0	2	0
0	0	0

-

$\frac{1}{9}$	1	1	1
1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1

?

(Note that filter sums to 1)

# Practice with linear filters



Original

$$\begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 2 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

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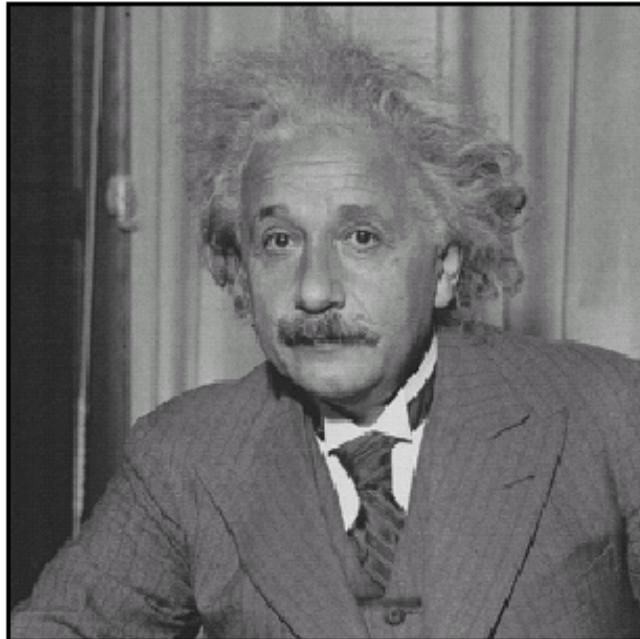
$$\frac{1}{9} \begin{array}{|c|c|c|} \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline 1 & 1 & 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



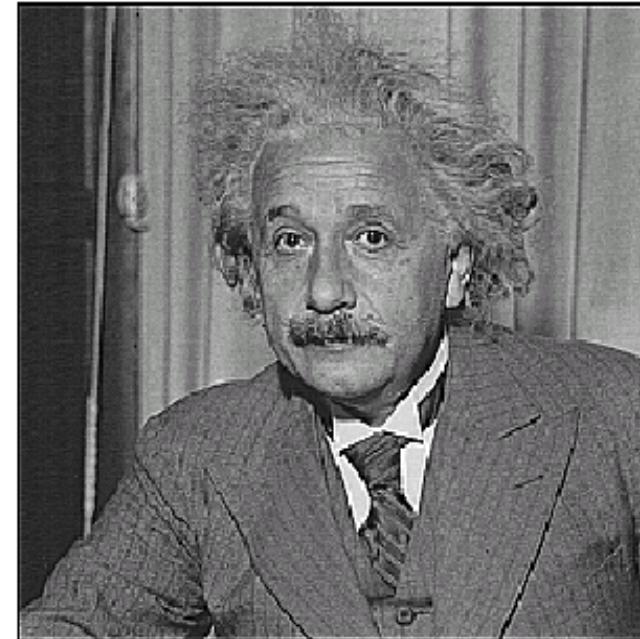
## Sharpening filter

- Accentuates differences with local average

# Sharpening



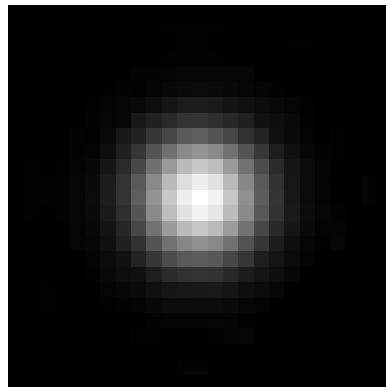
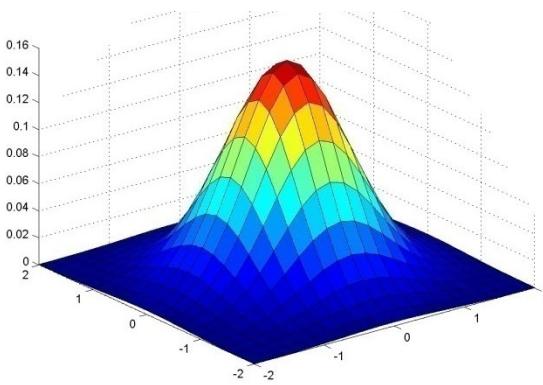
**before**



**after**

# Important filter: Gaussian

- Weight contributions of neighboring pixels by nearness

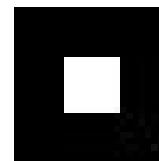
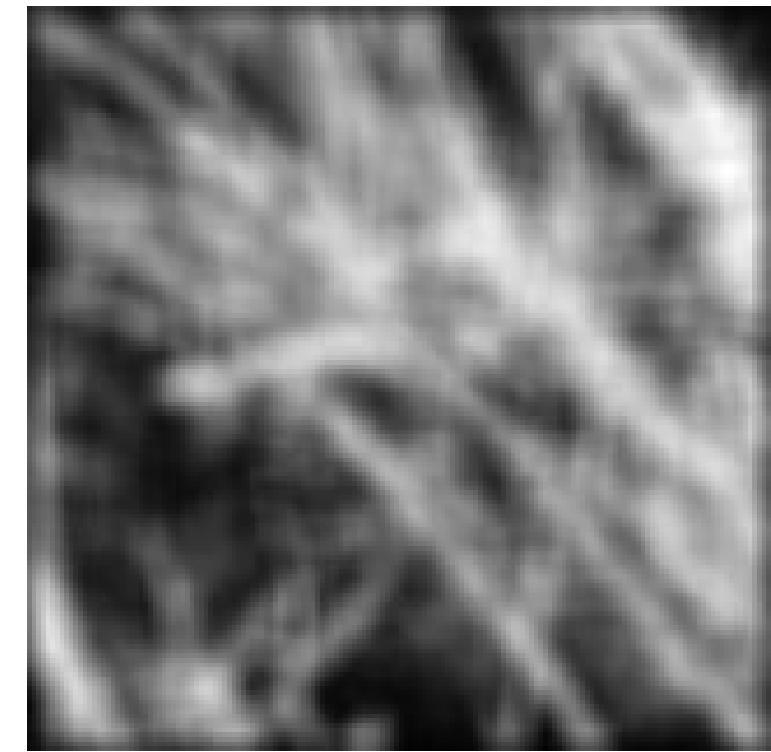
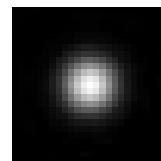
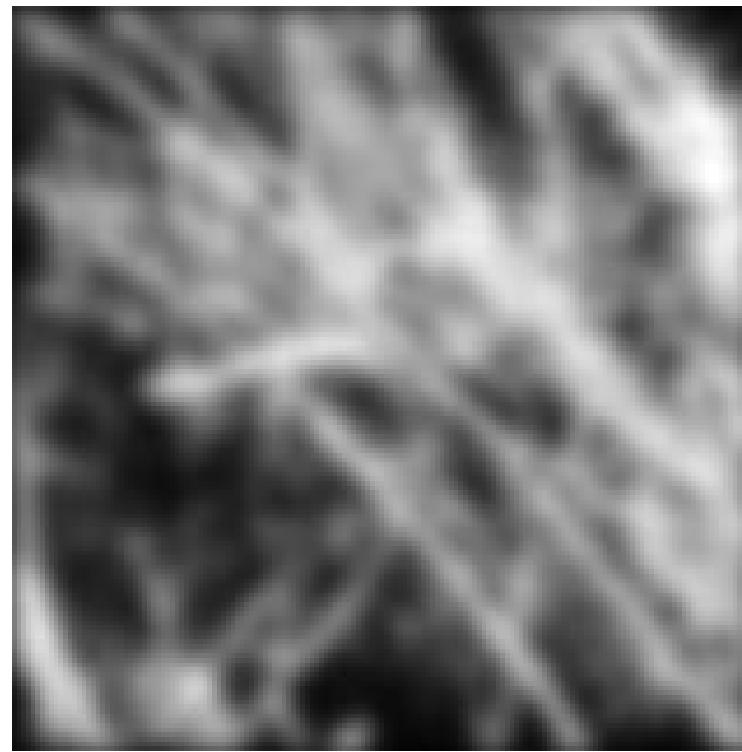


0.003	0.013	0.022	0.013	0.003
0.013	0.059	0.097	0.059	0.013
0.022	0.097	0.159	0.097	0.022
0.013	0.059	0.097	0.059	0.013
0.003	0.013	0.022	0.013	0.003

$5 \times 5, \sigma = 1$

$$G_\sigma = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} e^{-\frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2\sigma^2}}$$

# Smoothing with Gaussian vs Box filter



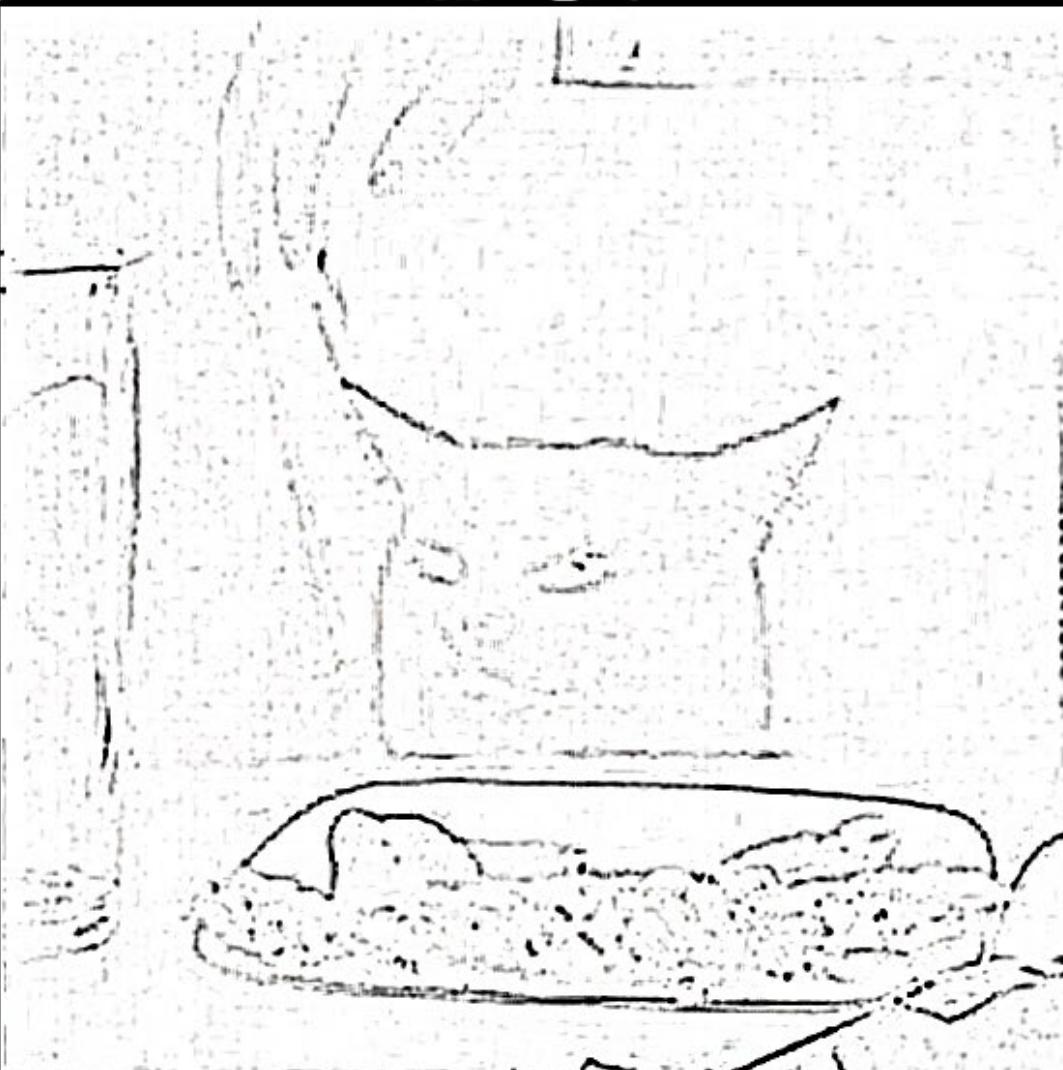
# Edge Detection in Images

Edges are useful image features

**\*People saying I can't  
make memes using  
edge detection\***



**Me:**



# What are Image Edges?

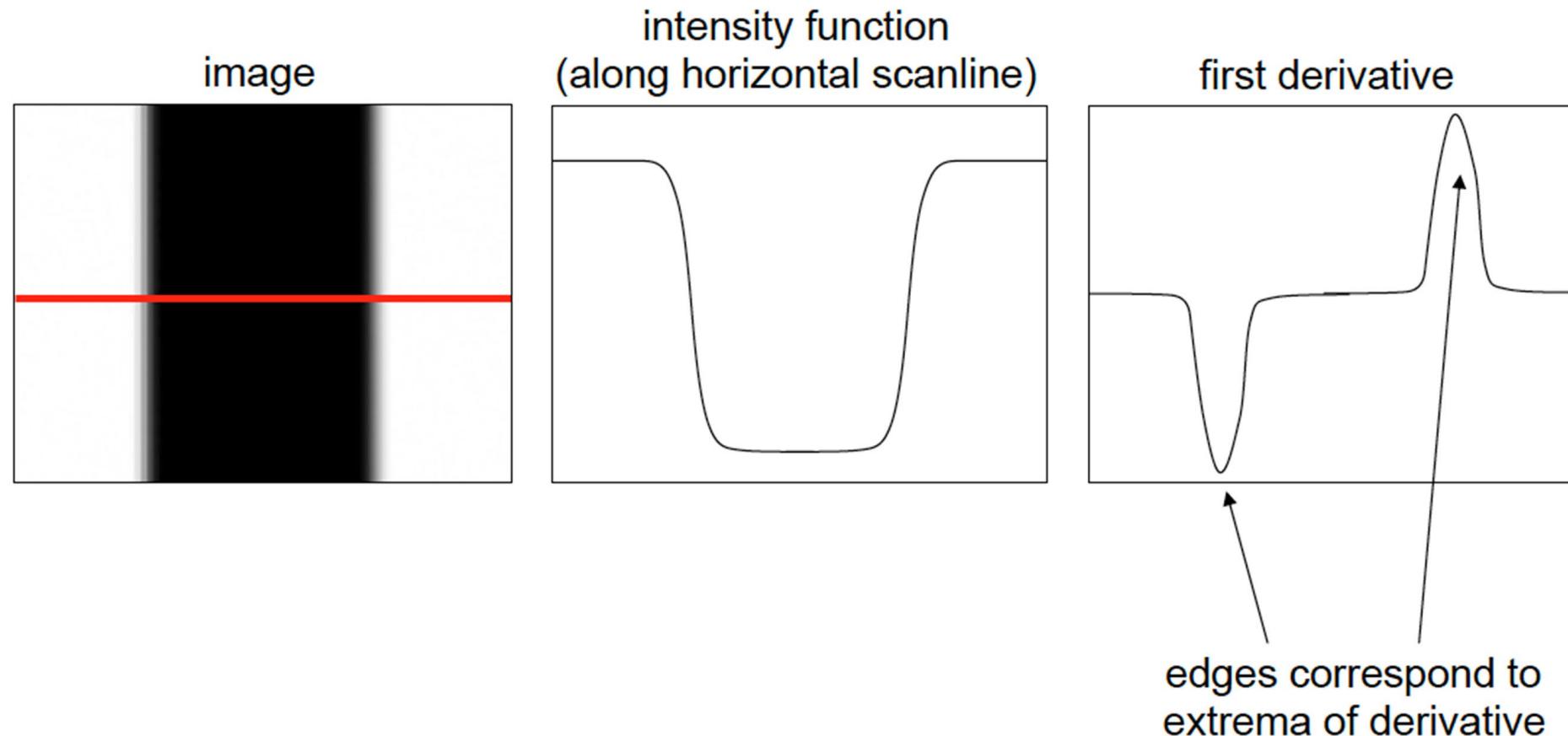
- Sudden changes in image intensity
  - Most shape information is in edges
  - Shape leads to semantic information (cats vs humans vs chairs vs apples)
  - Edges are more compact than pixels (number of bits ...)
- E.g. Sketches / line drawings
  - Artists use it all the time



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# What are Image Edges?

Edges = locations of rapid change in signal (image) intensity

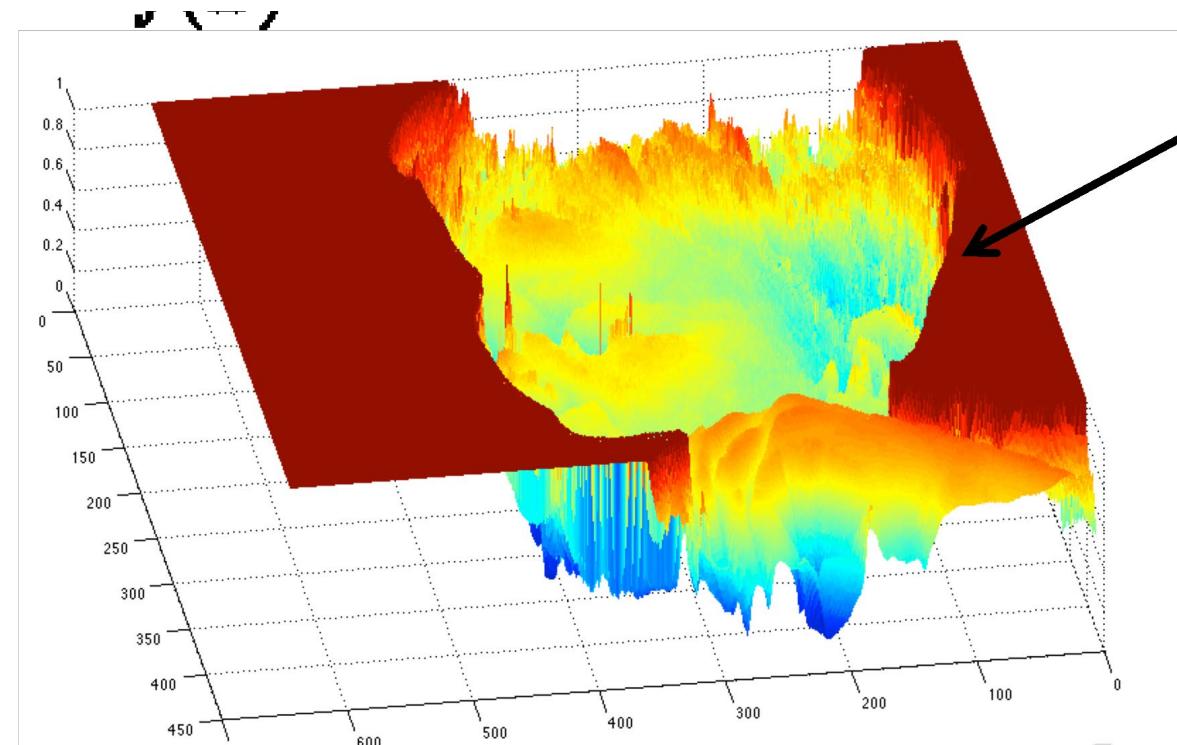


# Gradients!

- To locate rapid changes, compute gradients (first derivative)



grayscale image



Very sharp  
discontinuities  
in intensity.

# Gradients in Practice: Finite Difference

- Forward difference

$$\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} = \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x)}{\Delta x}$$

- Backward difference

$$\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} = \frac{f(x) - f(x - \Delta x)}{\Delta x}$$

- Central difference

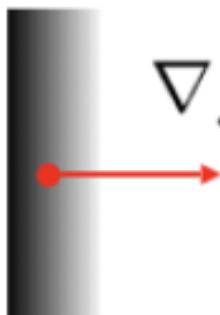
$$\frac{\partial f(x)}{\partial x} = \frac{f(x + \Delta x) - f(x - \Delta x)}{2\Delta x}$$

# Image gradient

The gradient of an image:

$$\nabla f = \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right]$$

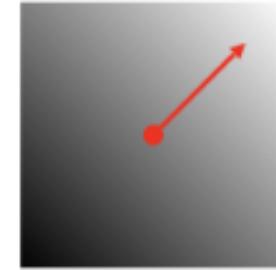
The gradient points in the direction of most rapid change in intensity



$$\nabla f = \left[ \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}, 0 \right]$$

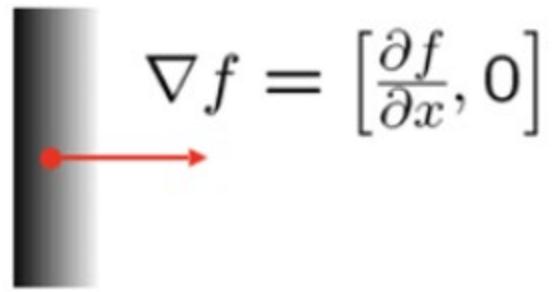


$$\nabla f = \left[ 0, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right]$$

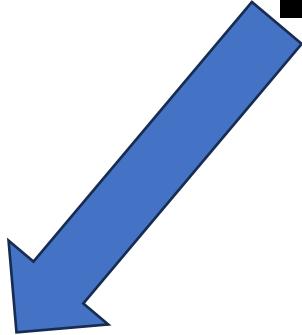


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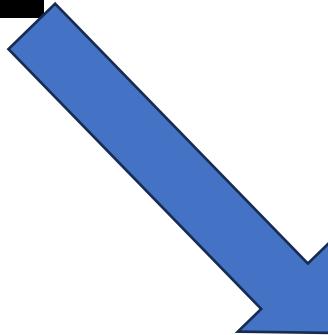
# Edge Detection using Finite Difference



Horizontal



Vertical



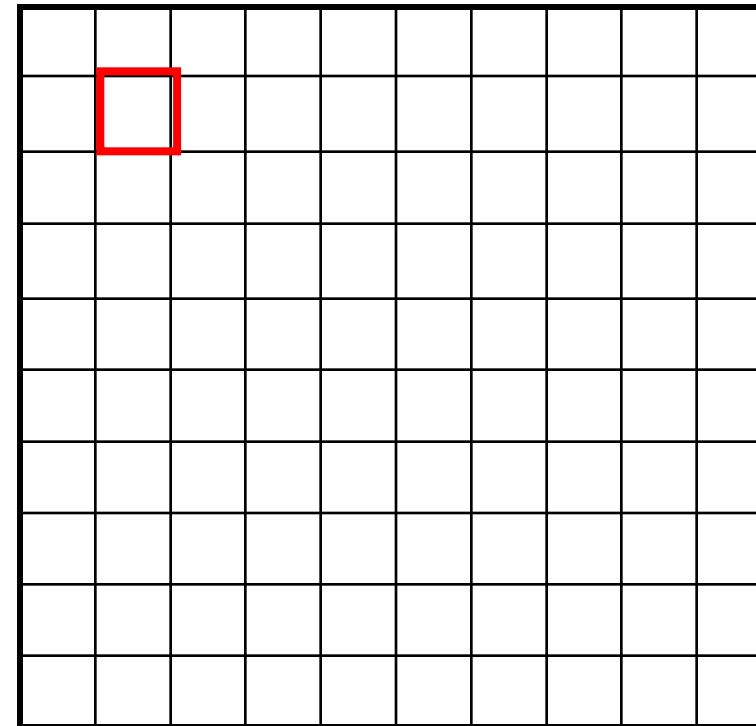
# Image filtering

$$g[\cdot, \cdot]$$

$$f[., .]$$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
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0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$$h[., .]$$



$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Repeat with a different filter

$g[\cdot, \cdot]$

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

# Image filtering

 $f[.,.]$ 

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
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0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

 $g[.,.]$ 

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

 $h[.,.]$ 


$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Image filtering

 $f[.,.]$ 

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

 $g[ \cdot , \cdot ]$ 

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

 $h[.,.]$ 

0	-180									

$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Image filtering

 $f[.,.]$ 

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

 $g[.,.]$ 

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

 $h[.,.]$ 

			0	-180	-180					

$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Image filtering

 $f[.,.]$ 

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

 $g[.,.]$ 

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

 $h[.,.]$ 

			0	-180	-180	0				

$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Image filtering

 $f[.,.]$ 

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
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0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

 $g[.,.]$ 

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

 $h[.,.]$ 

0	-180	-180	0	0	0					

$$h[m,n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k,l] f[m+k, n+l]$$

# Image filtering

 $f[.,.]$ 

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
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0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

 $g[.,.]$ 

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

 $h[.,.]$ 

0	-180	-180	0	0	0	0				

$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Image filtering

 $f[.,.]$ 

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
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0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

 $g[.,.]$ 

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

 $h[.,.]$ 

0	-180	-180	0	0	0	180	180			

$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Image filtering

 $f[\cdot, \cdot]$ 

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	90	90	90	90	90	0	0	0
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0	0	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

 $g[\cdot, \cdot]$ 

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

 $h[\cdot, \cdot]$ 

0	-180	-180	0	0	0	180	180			
0	-270	-270	0	0	0	270	270			
0	-270	-270	0	0	0	270	270			
0	-270	-270	0	0	0	270	270			
0	-180	-180	0	0	0	180	180			

$$h[m, n] = \sum_{k,l} g[k, l] f[m + k, n + l]$$

# Edge Detection via Convolution

## Sobel Filter

Horizontal Sober filter:

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

Vertical Sobel filter:

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



original



horizontal Sobel filter



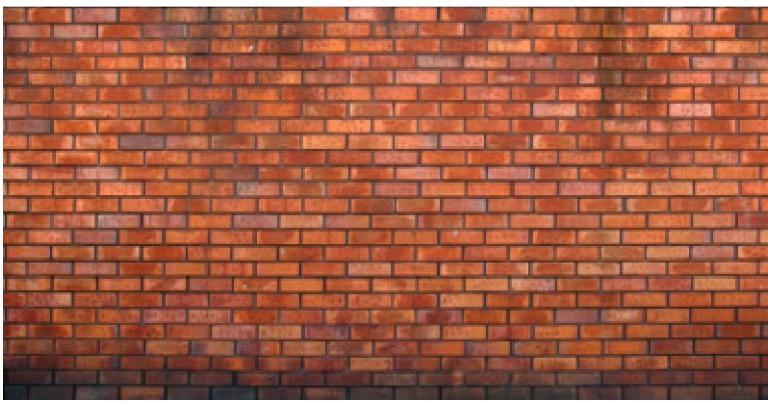
vertical Sobel filter

# Edge Detection via Convolution

## Sobel Filter

Horizontal Sober filter:

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



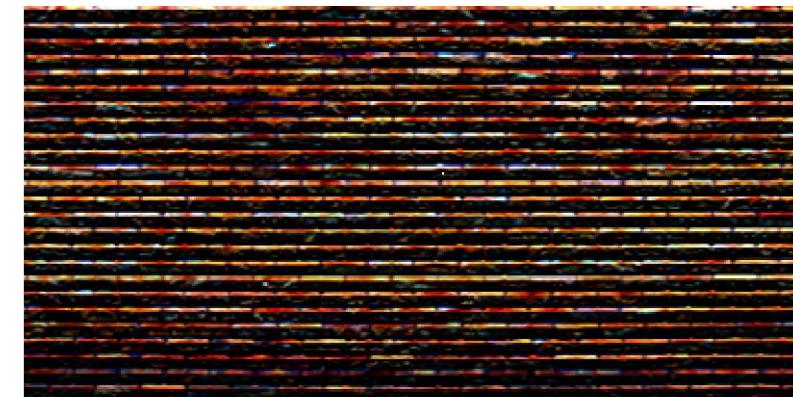
original

Vertical Sobel filter:

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



horizontal Sobel filter



vertical Sobel filter

# Many Types of Edge Filters

Sobel

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

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

Scharr

3	0	-3
10	0	-10
3	0	-3

3	10	3
0	0	0
-3	-10	-3

Prewitt

1	0	-1
1	0	-1
1	0	-1

1	1	1
0	0	0
-1	-1	-1

Roberts

0	1
-1	0

1	0
0	-1

# Computing image gradients

1. Select your favorite derivative filters.

$$\mathbf{S}_x = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{S}_y = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Convolve with the image to compute derivatives.

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial x} = \mathbf{S}_x \otimes \mathbf{f}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial y} = \mathbf{S}_y \otimes \mathbf{f}$$

3. Form the image gradient, and compute its direction and amplitude.

$$\nabla \mathbf{f} = \left[ \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial \mathbf{f}}{\partial y} \right]$$

gradient

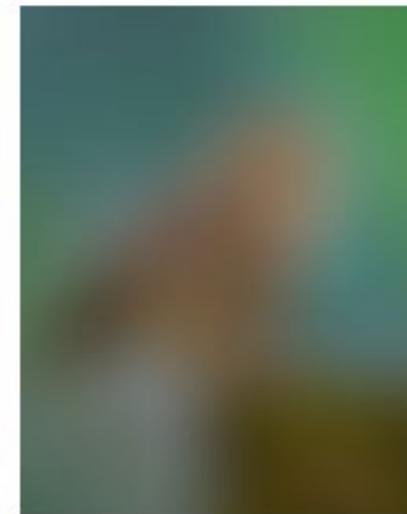
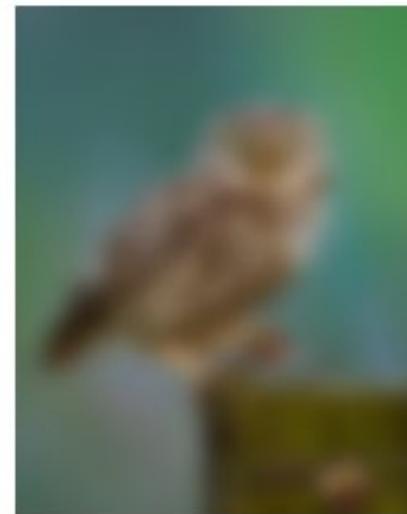
$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} / \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)$$

direction

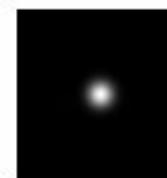
$$\|\nabla f\| = \sqrt{\left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} \right)^2}$$

amplitude

# Gaussian Filter Revisited (Smoothing / Blurring)



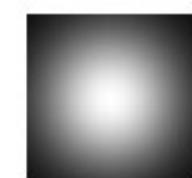
$\sigma = 1$  pixel



$\sigma = 5$  pixels



$\sigma = 10$  pixels



$\sigma = 30$  pixels

# Sharpening Filter

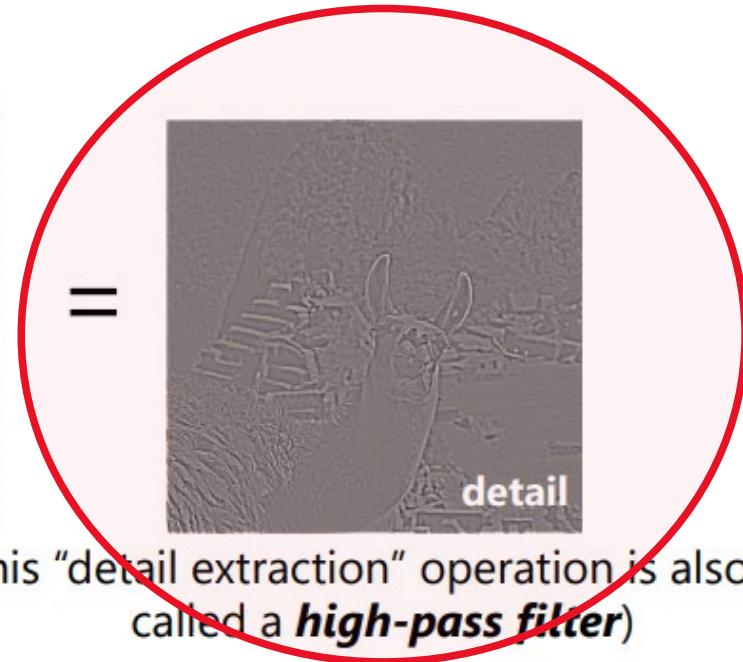
- What does blurring take away?



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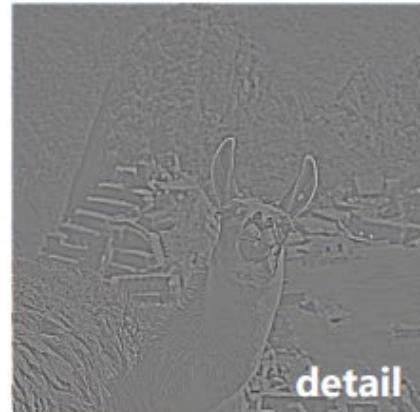
smoothed (5x5)



Let's add it back:



+  $\alpha$



detail

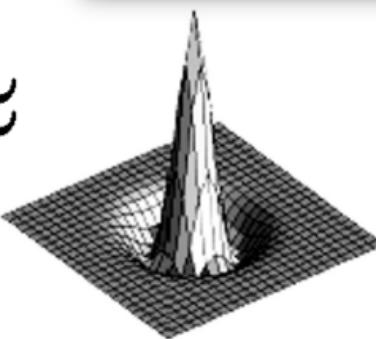
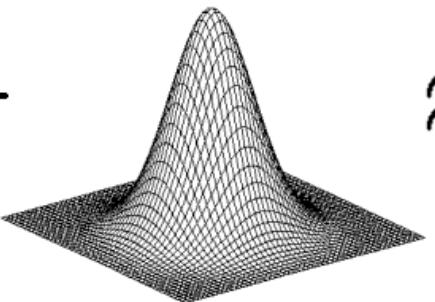
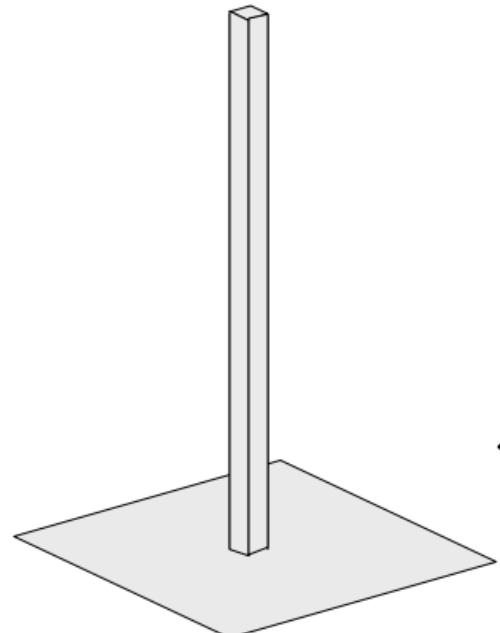
=



sharpened

# Sharpening Filter

$$F + \alpha (F - \underbrace{F * H}_{\text{blurred image}}) =$$



# Thresholding



$$g(m, n) = \begin{cases} 255, & f(m, n) > A \\ 0 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

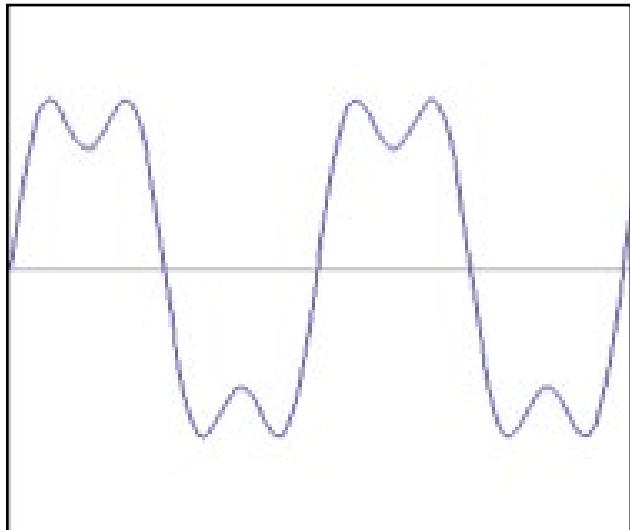
Question:

Does thresholding  
make storage  
efficient?

By how much (in this  
example)?

# Fourier Domain Filtering

How would you generate this function?



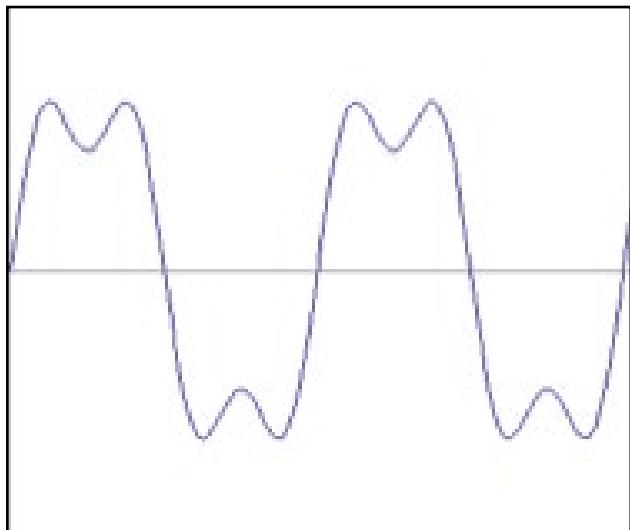
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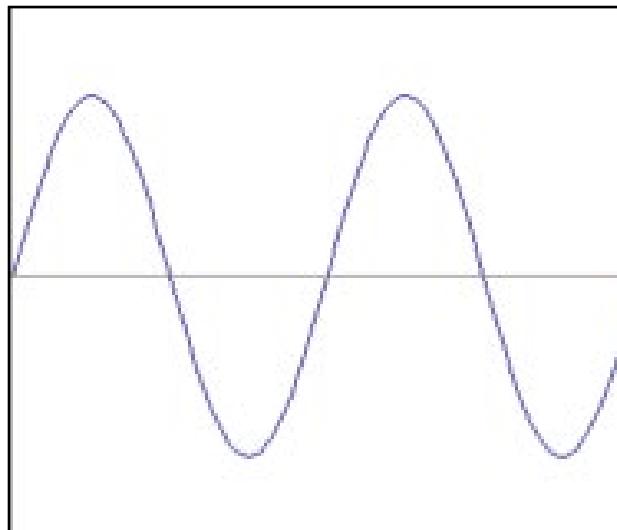
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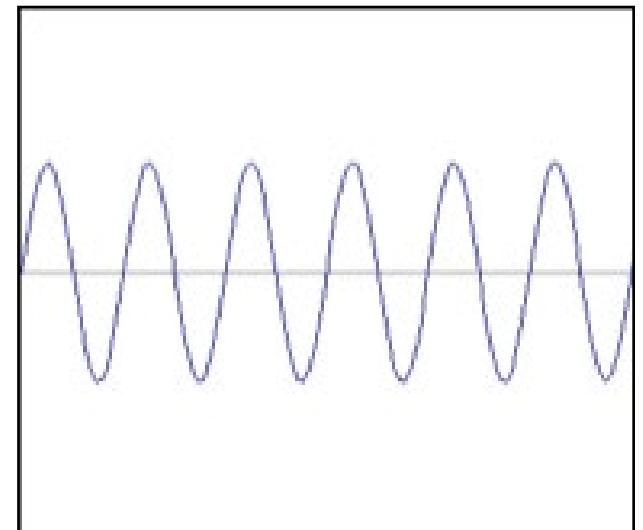
How would you generate this function?



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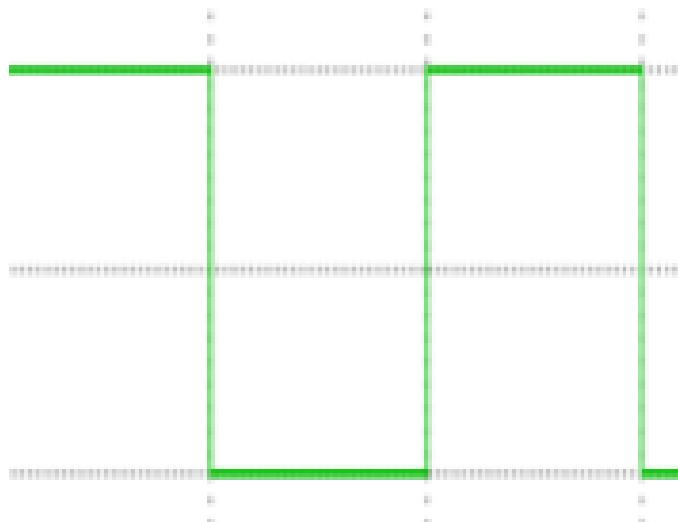
$$f(x) = \sin(2\pi x) + \frac{1}{3} \sin(2\pi 3x)$$

$$\sin(2\pi x)$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \sin(2\pi 3x)$$

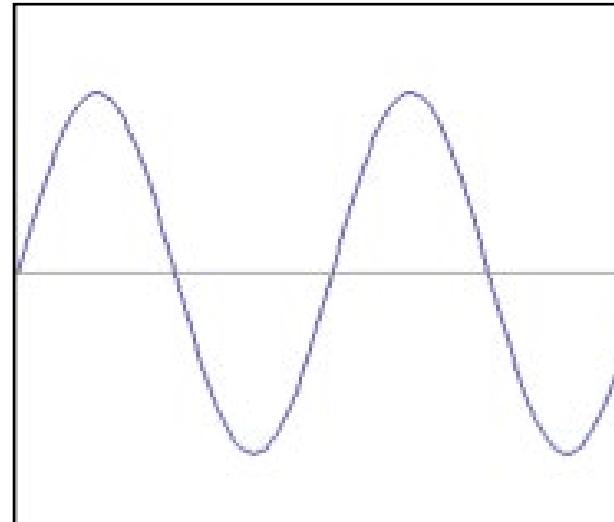
# Examples

How would you generate this function?

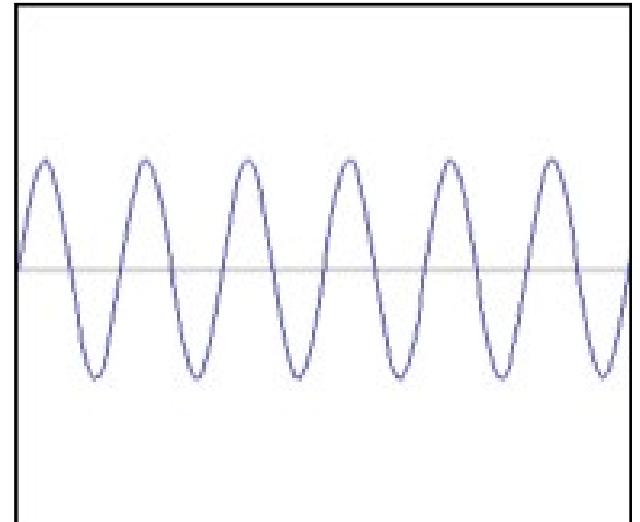


square wave

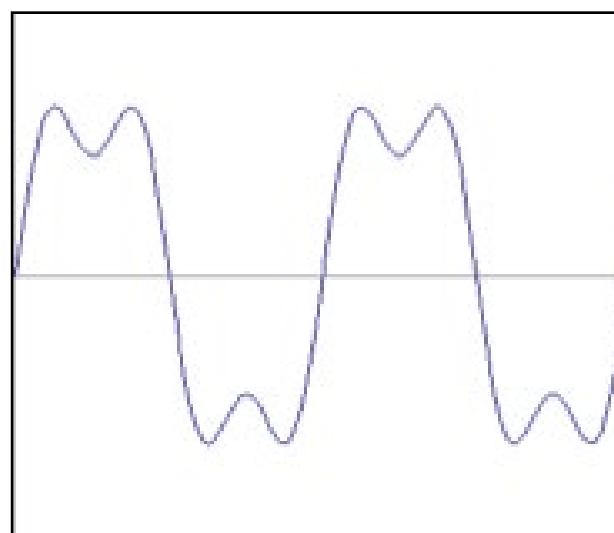
$\approx$



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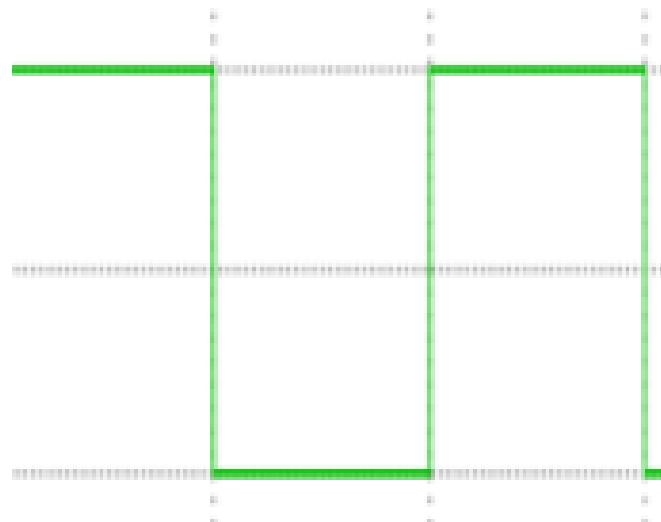


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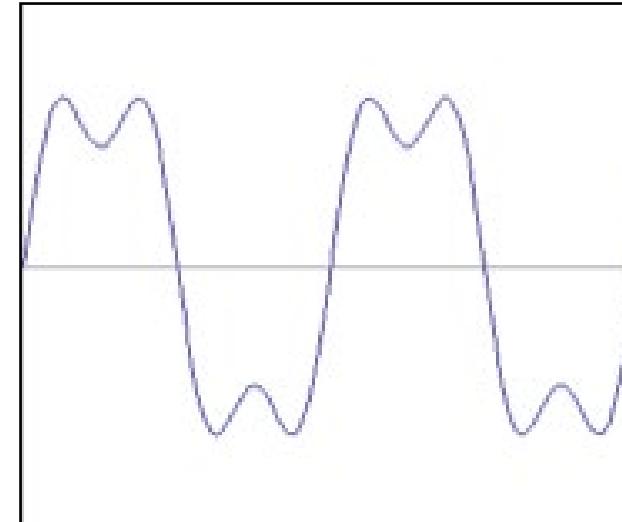
# Examples

How would you generate this function?

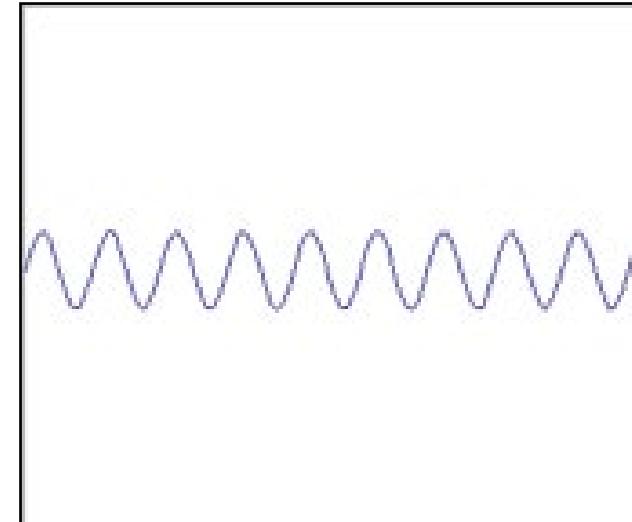


square wave

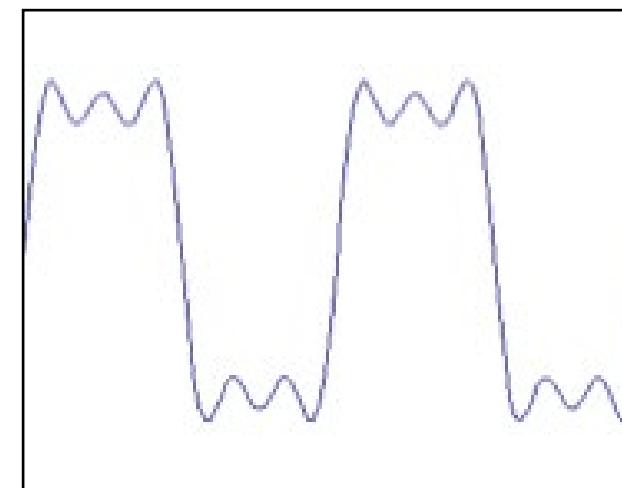
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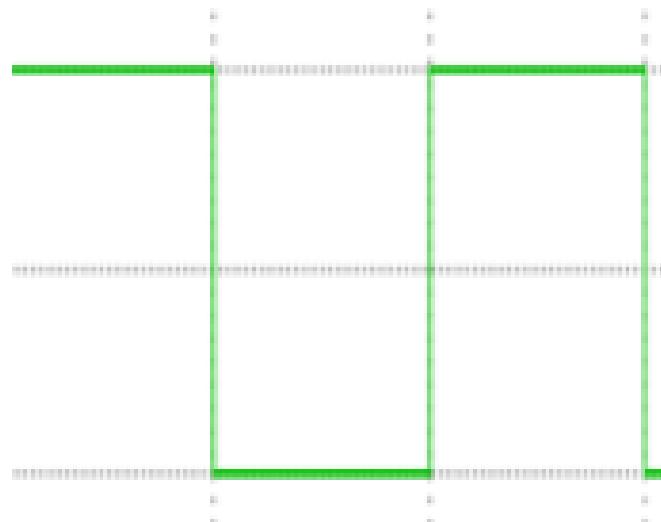


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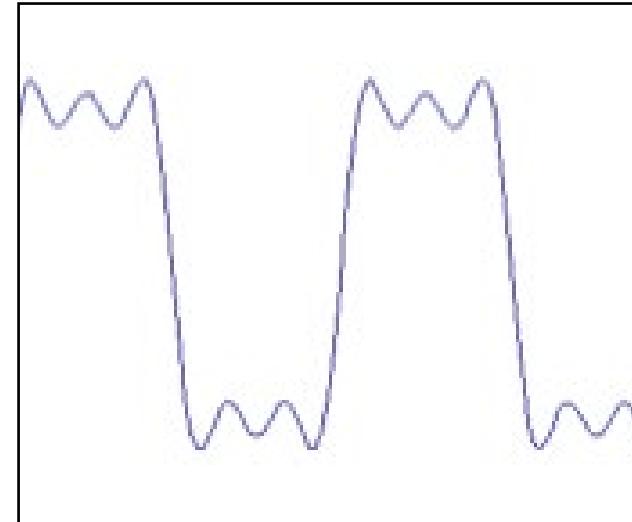
# Examples

How would you generate this function?

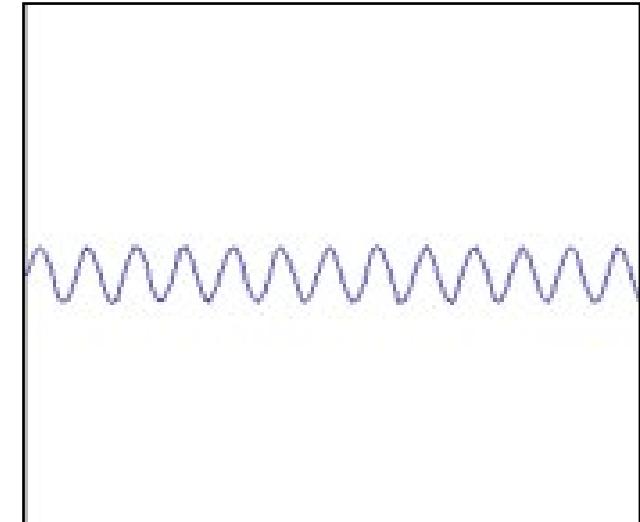


square wave

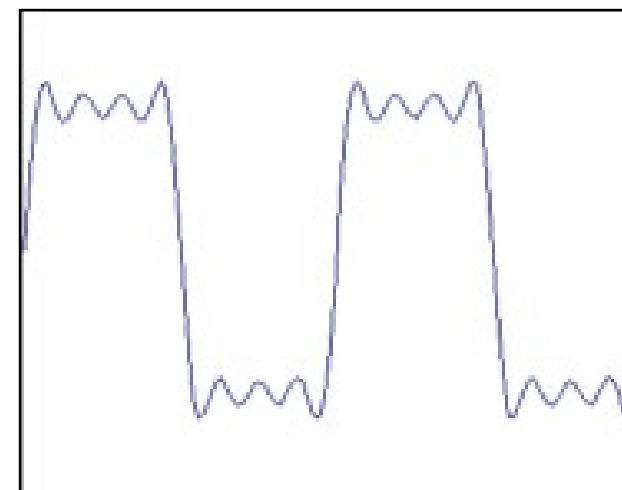
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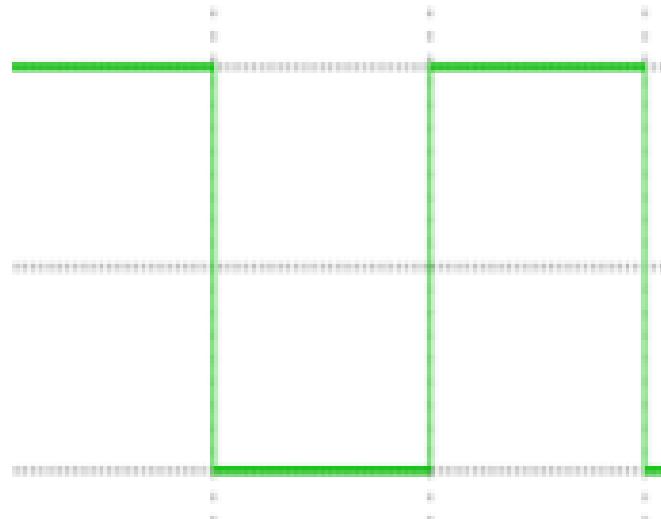


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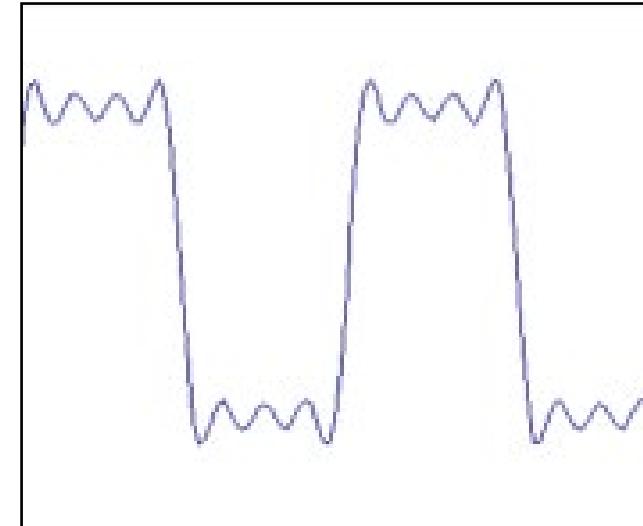


# Examples

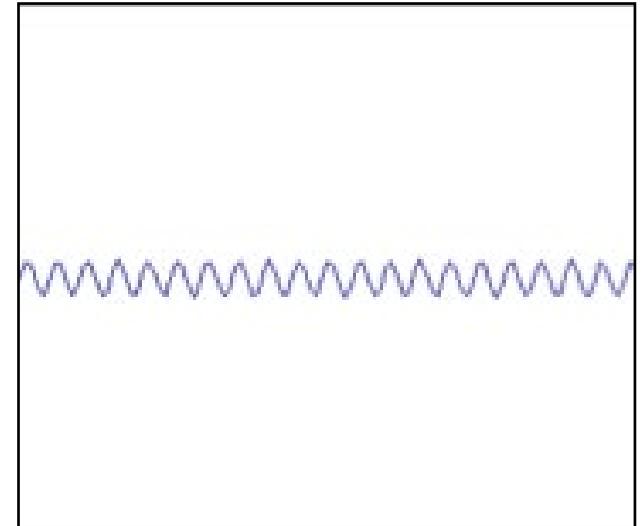
How would you generate this function?



$\approx$

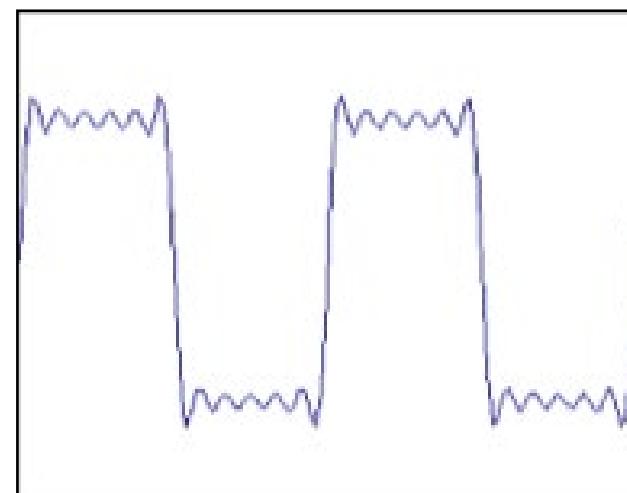


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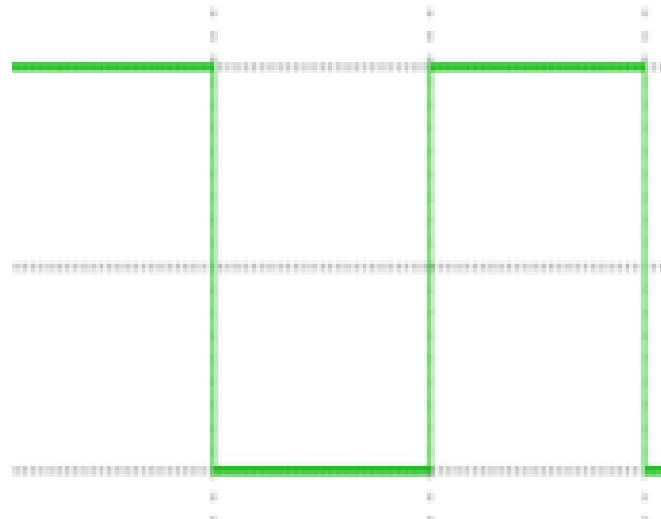
square wave

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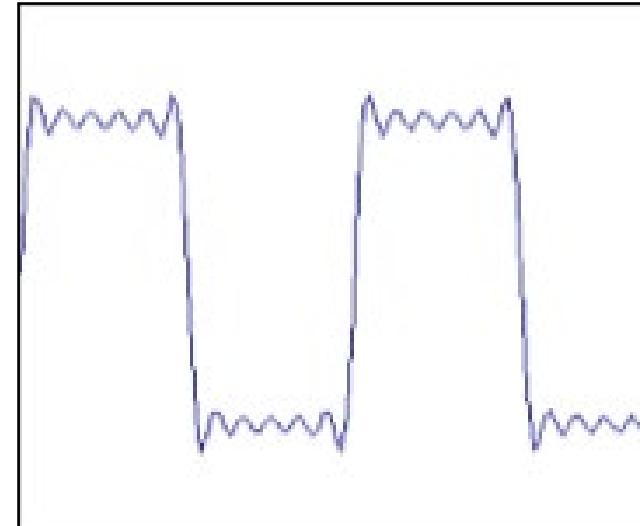


# Examples

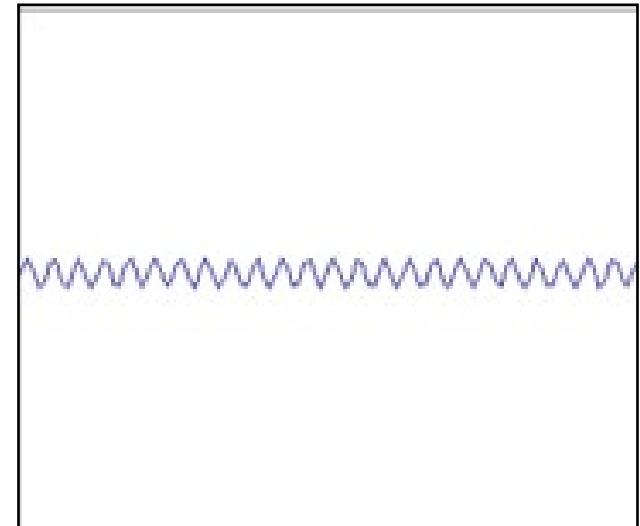
How would you generate this function?



$\approx$



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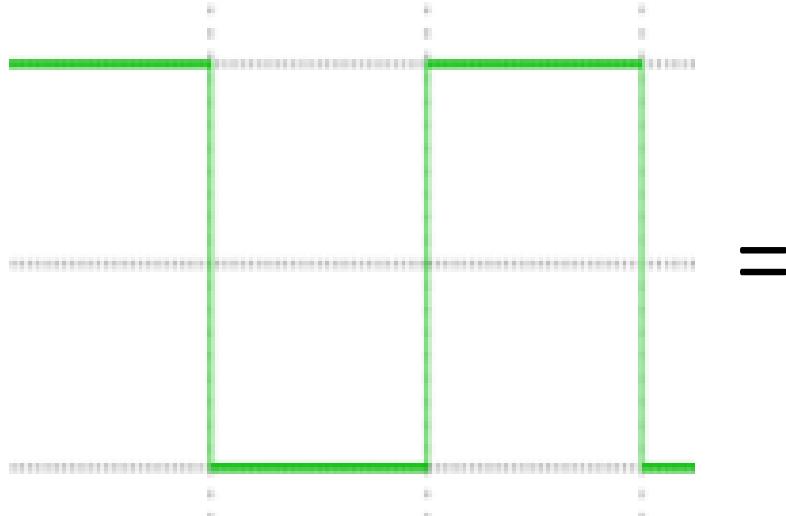
square wave

$=$



How would you express  
this mathematically?

# Examples



square wave

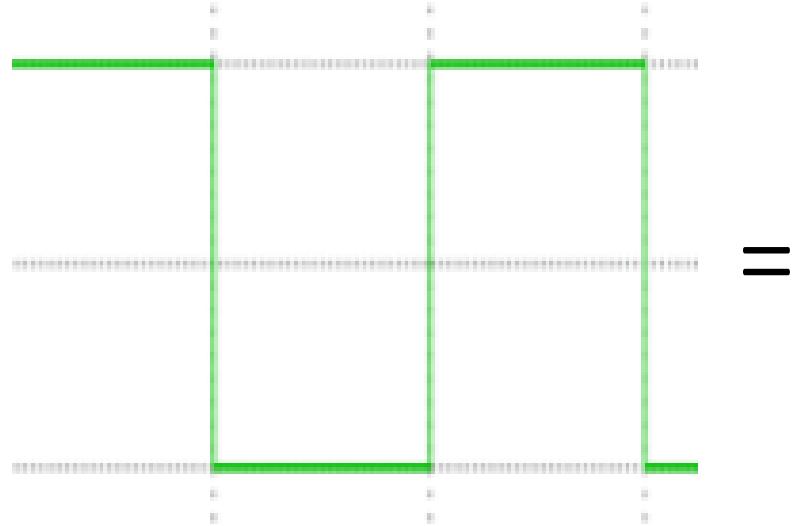
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$$A \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \sin(2\pi kx)$$

infinite sum of sine waves

How would you visualize this in the frequency domain?

# Examples

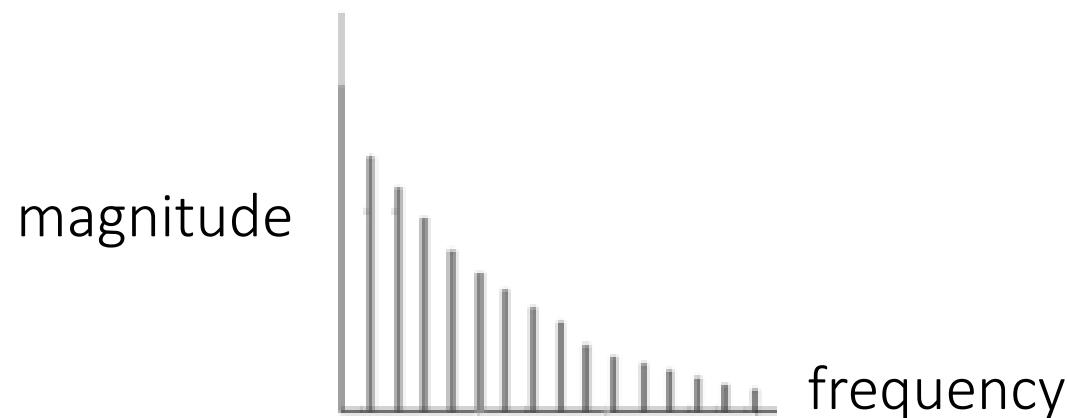


square wave

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infinite sum of sine waves



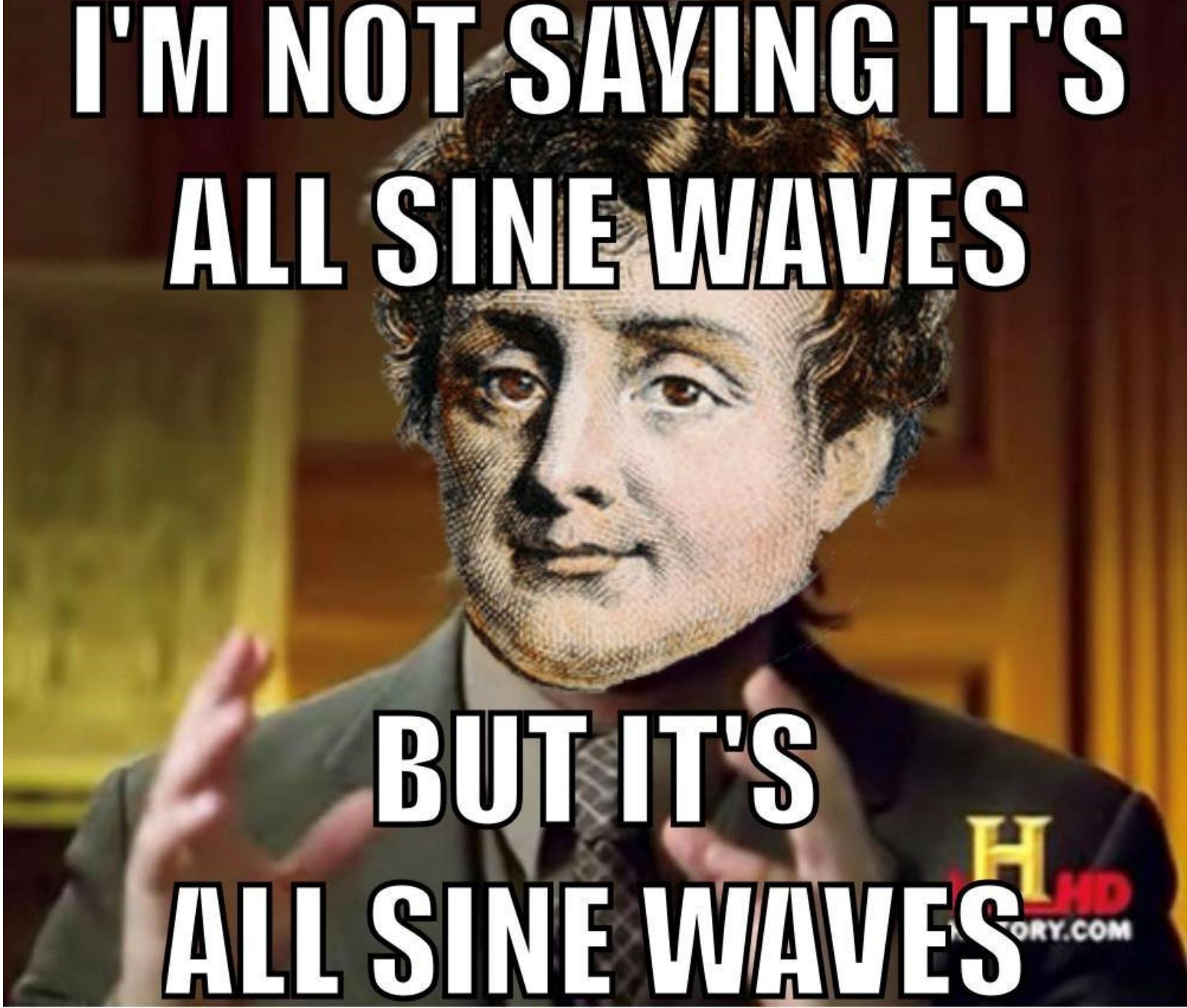
# Fourier Series

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

amplitude      sinusoid      angular frequency      phase variable

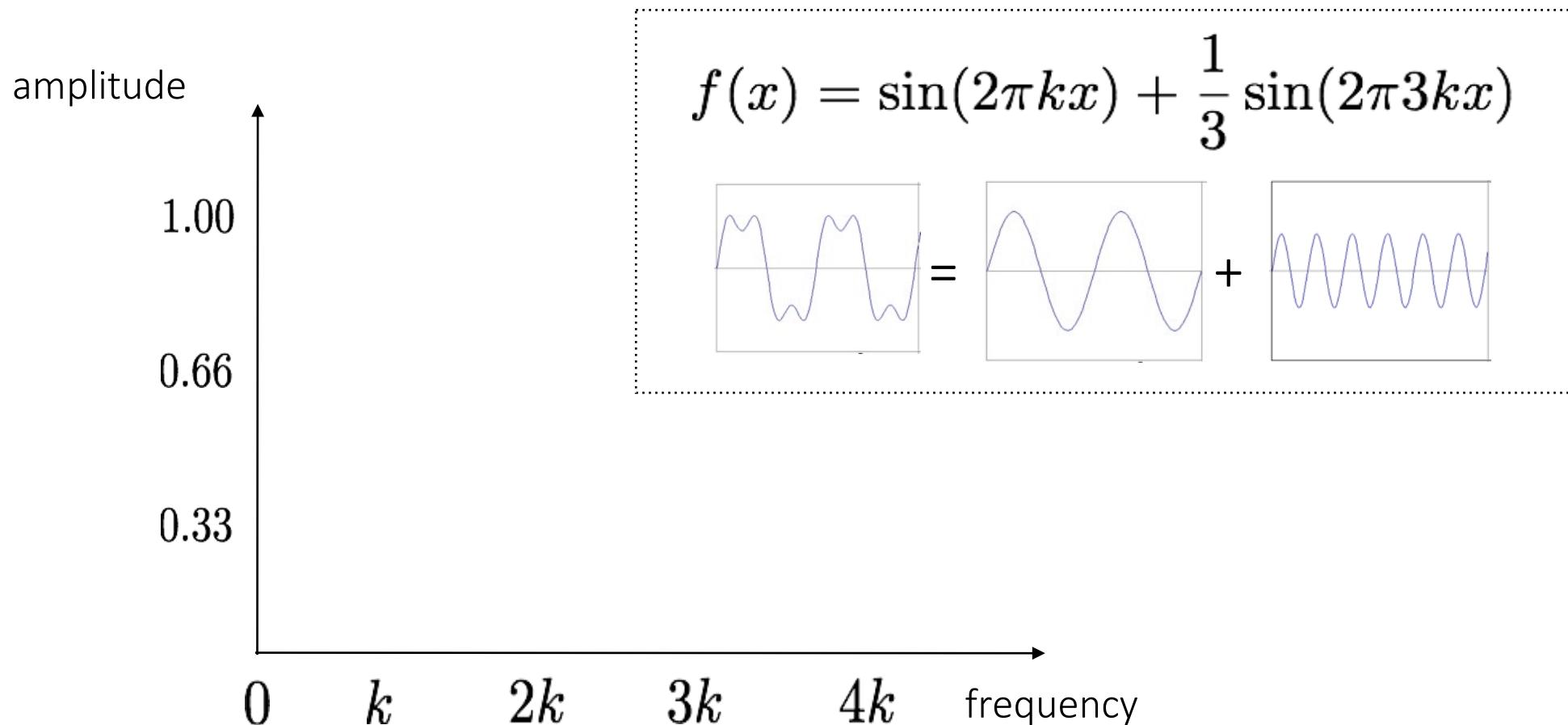
*Fourier's claim:*  
Add enough of these  
to get any periodic signal  
you want!

# I'M NOT SAYING IT'S ALL SINE WAVES



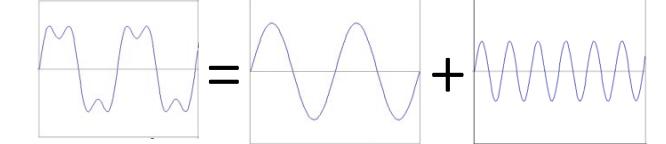
# Visualizing the frequency spectrum

Recall the temporal domain visualization

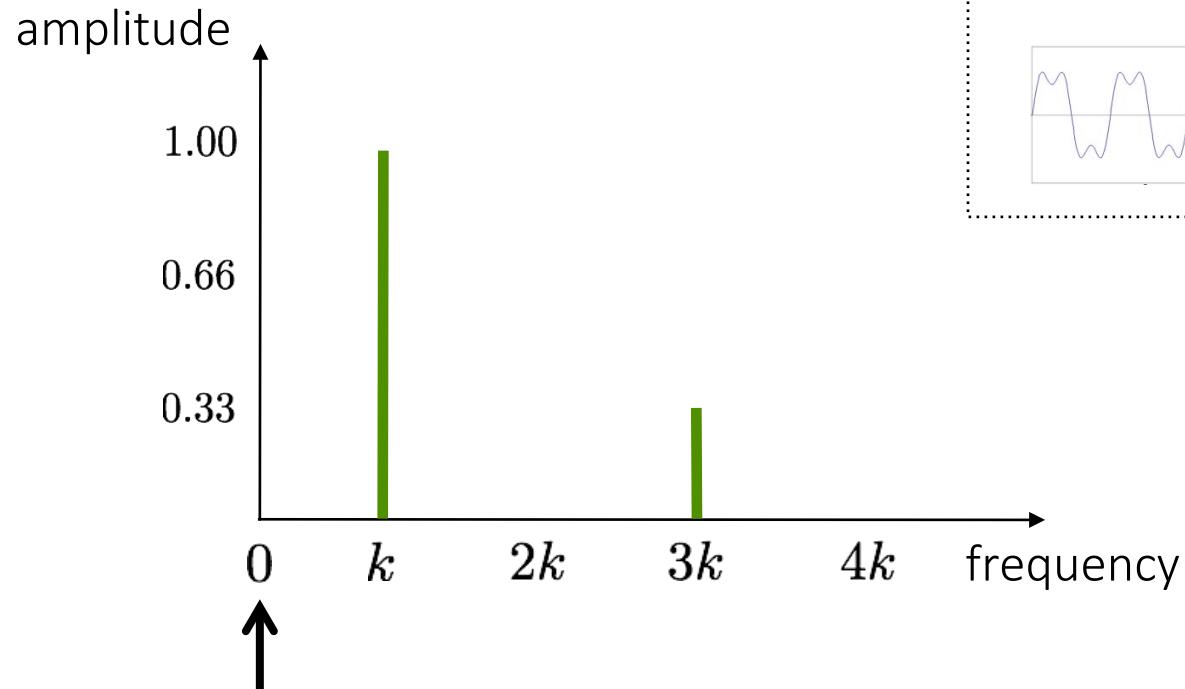


# Visualizing the frequency spectrum

Recall the temporal domain visualization

$$f(x) = \sin(2\pi kx) + \frac{1}{3} \sin(2\pi 3kx)$$


not visualizing the  
symmetric negative part



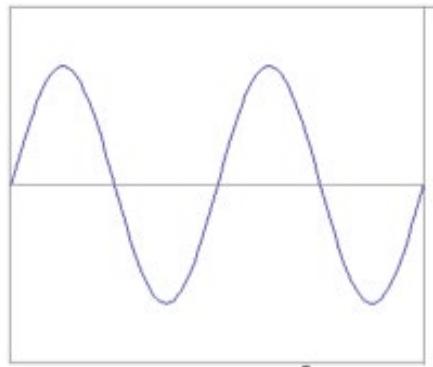
signal average (zero  
for a sine wave with  
no offset)

Need to understand this to  
understand the 2D version!

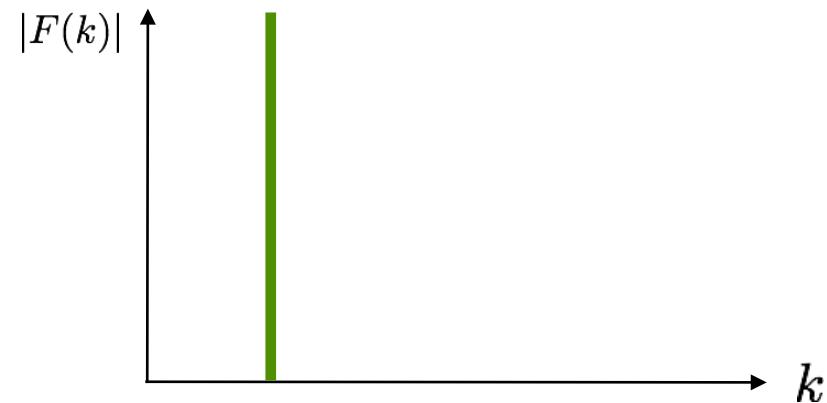
# Examples

Spatial domain visualization

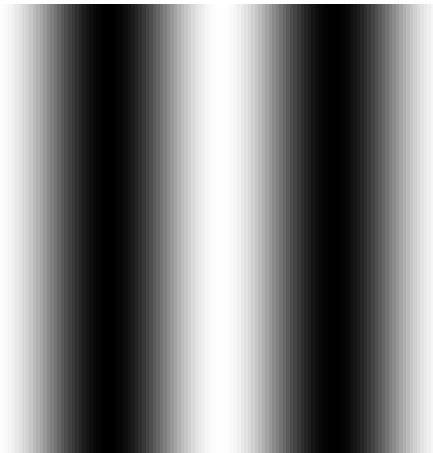
1D



Frequency domain visualization



2D

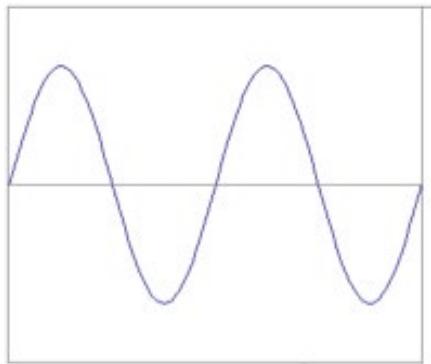


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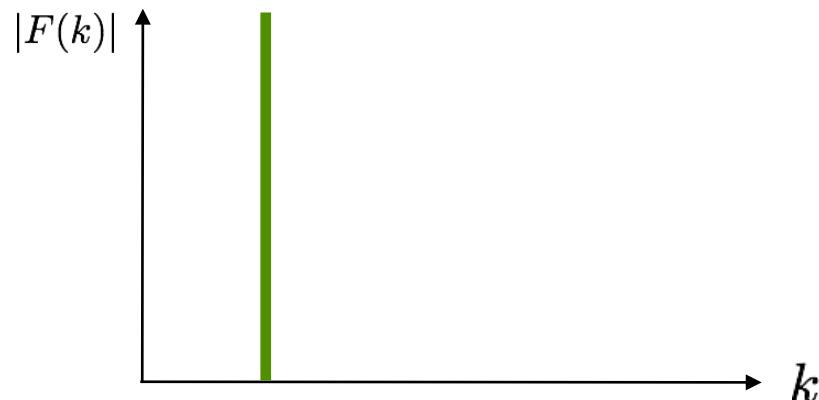
# Examples

Spatial domain visualization

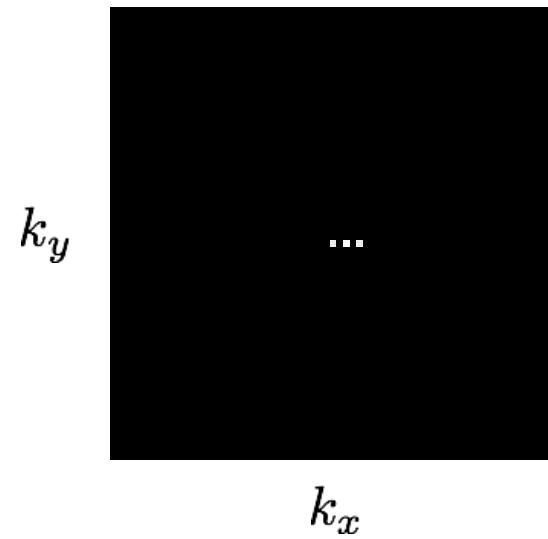
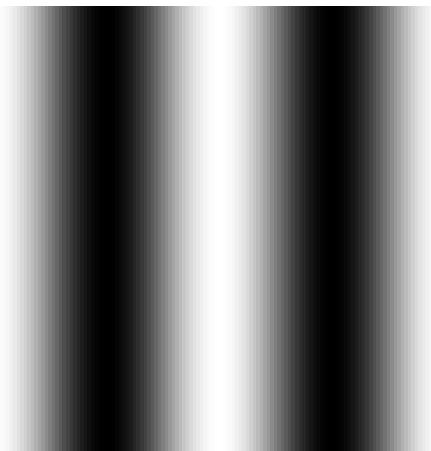
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Frequency domain visualization

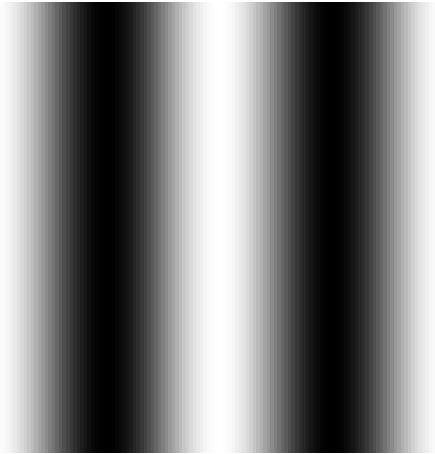


2D

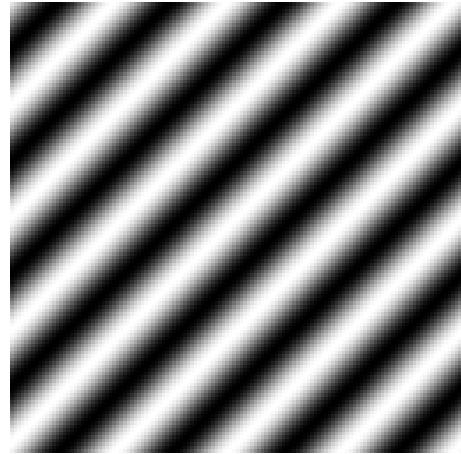


What do the three dots  
correspond to?

# Examples



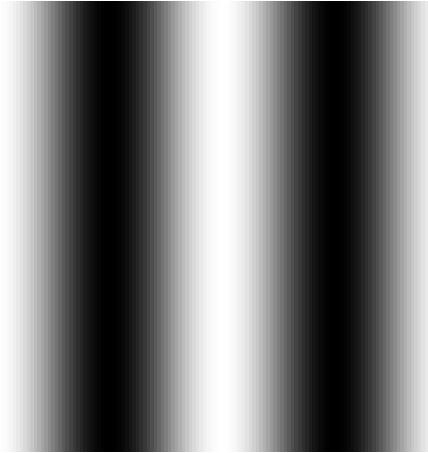
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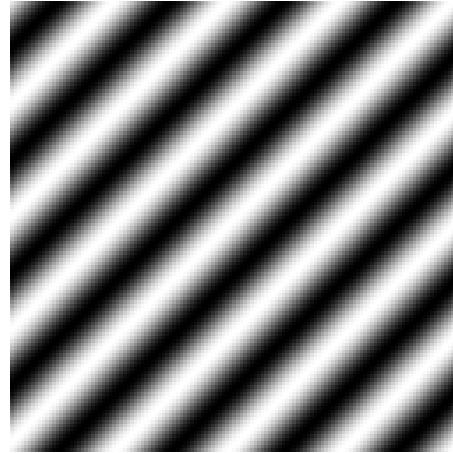
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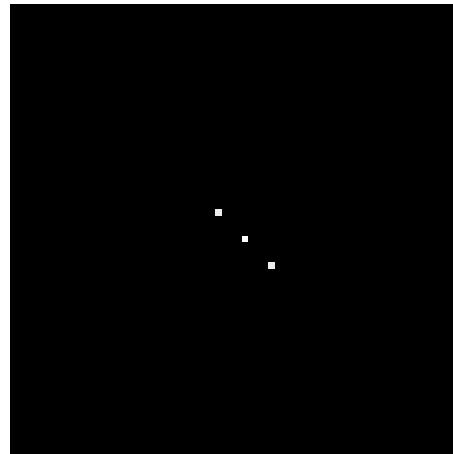
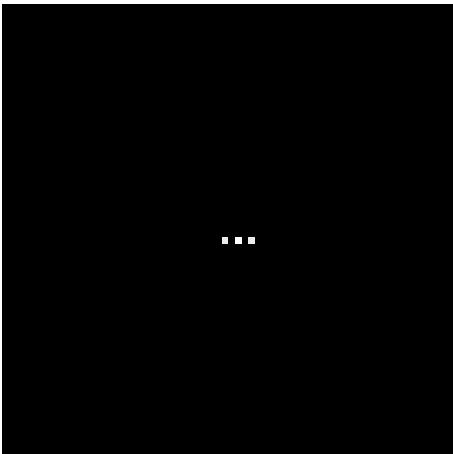
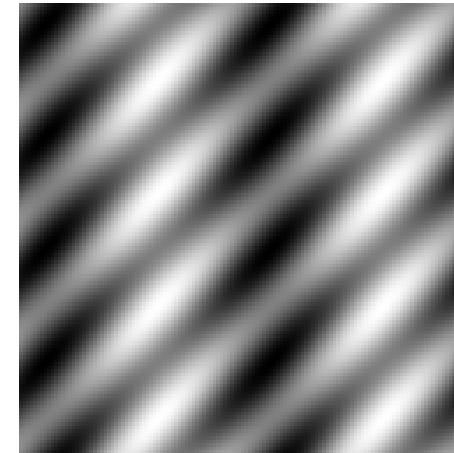
# Examples



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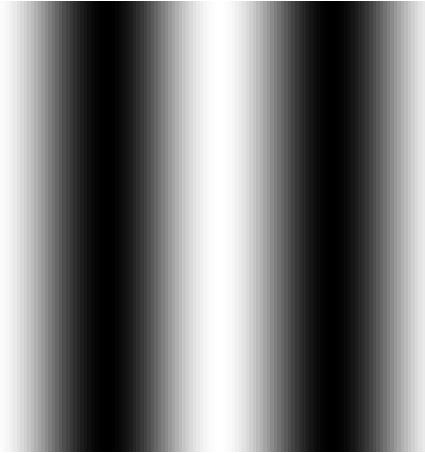


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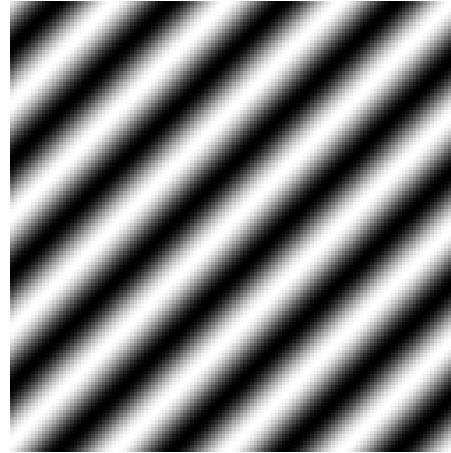


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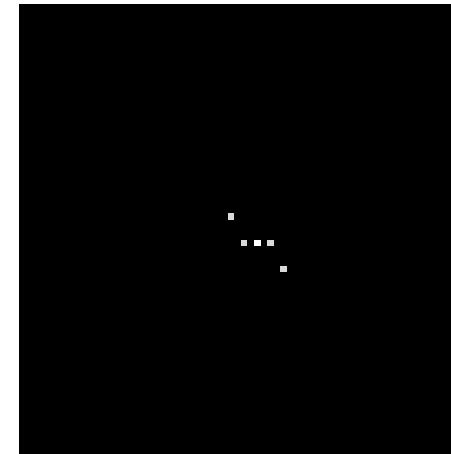
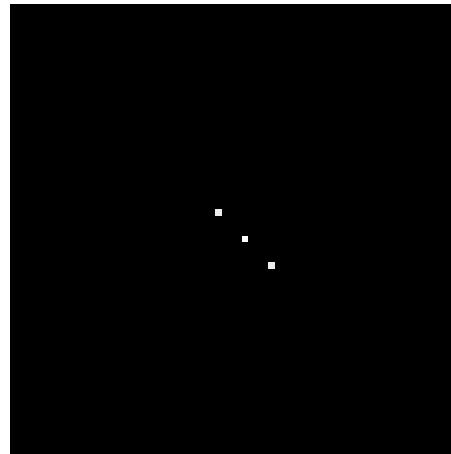
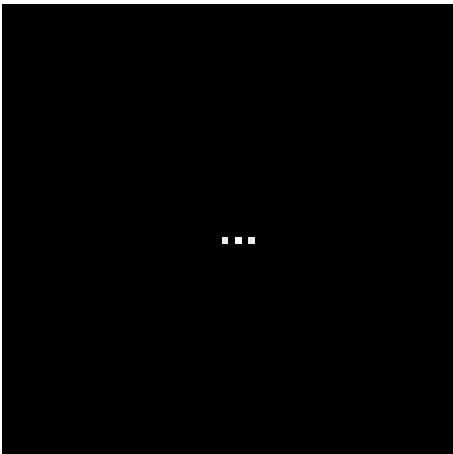
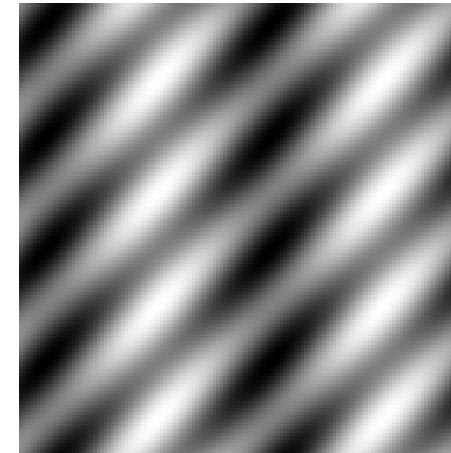
# Examples



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# Fourier transform

Fourier transform

inverse Fourier transform

continuous

$$F(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-j2\pi kx}dx$$

$$f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(k)e^{j2\pi kx}dk$$

discrete

$$F(k) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} f(x)e^{-j2\pi kx/N}$$
$$k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N-1$$

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F(k)e^{j2\pi kx/N}$$
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# Fourier transform

Where is the connection to the ‘summation of sine waves’ idea?

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F(k) e^{j2\pi kx/N}$$



Euler's formula  
 $e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta$

sum over frequencies

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F(k) \left\{ \cos(2\pi kx) + j \sin(2\pi kx) \right\}$$



scaling parameter

wave components

# 2D Fourier Transform

## Definition

$$F(u, v) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) e^{-j2\pi(ux+vy)} dx dy,$$

$$f(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(u, v) e^{j2\pi(ux+vy)} du dv$$

where  $u$  and  $v$  are spatial frequencies.

Also will write FT pairs as  $f(x, y) \Leftrightarrow F(u, v)$ .

- $F(u, v)$  is complex in general,

$$F(u, v) = F_R(u, v) + jF_I(u, v)$$

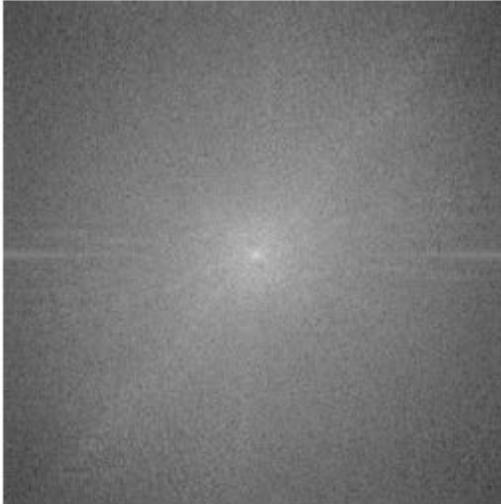
- $|F(u, v)|$  is the **magnitude** spectrum
- $\arctan(F_I(u, v)/F_R(u, v))$  is the **phase** angle spectrum.

# Frequency Domain of the Image

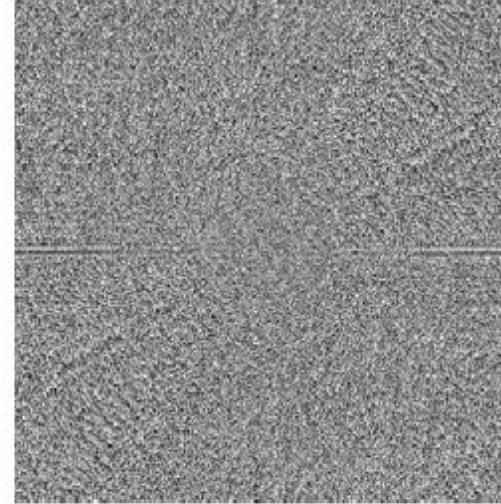
## Fourier transforms of natural images



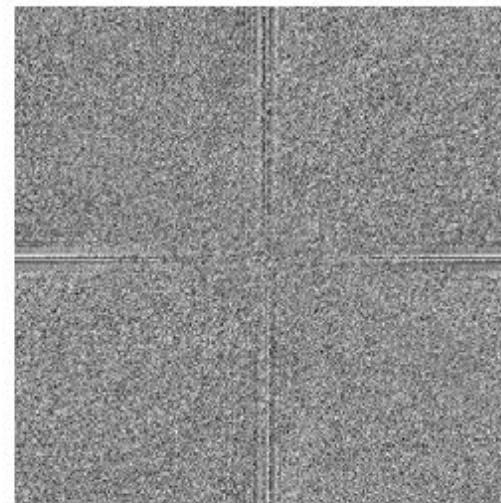
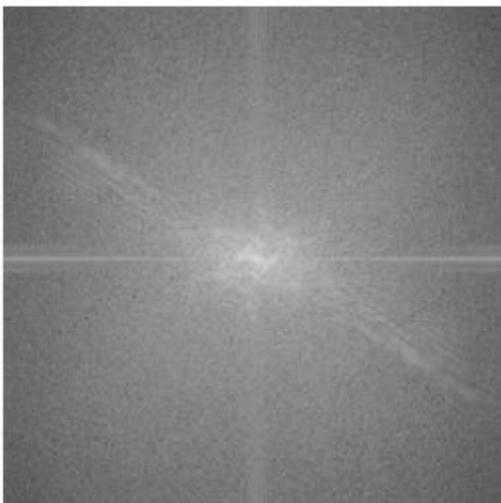
original



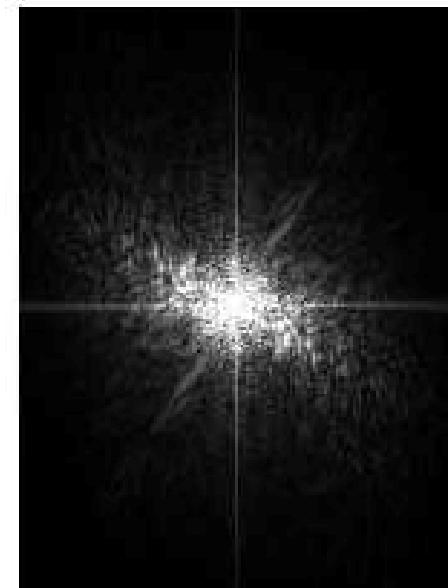
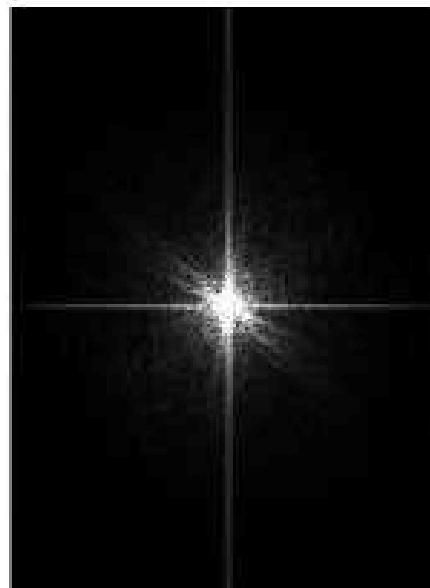
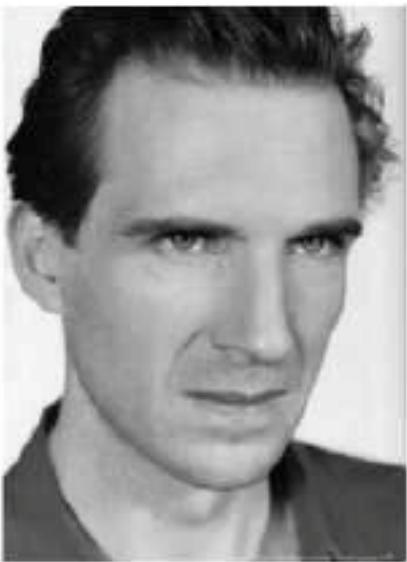
amplitude



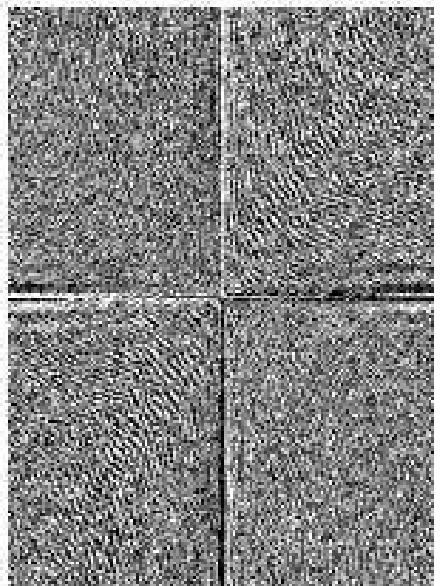
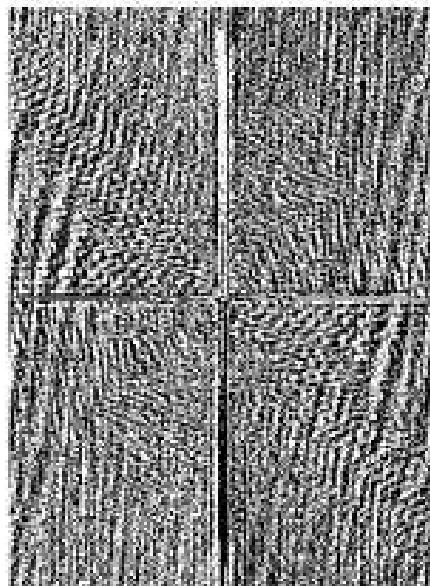
phase



## More examples



mag



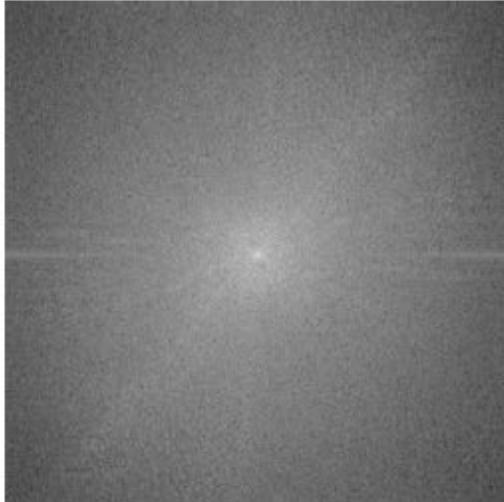
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Phase

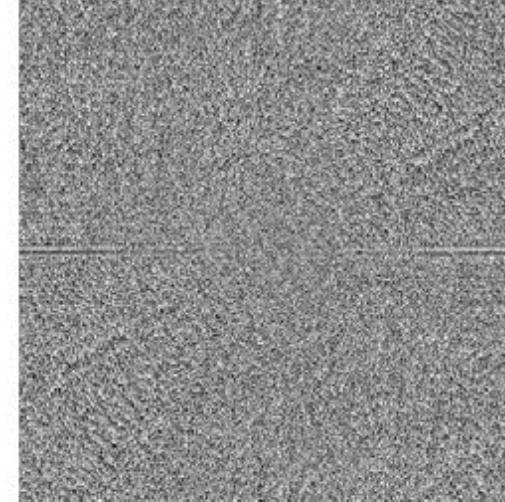
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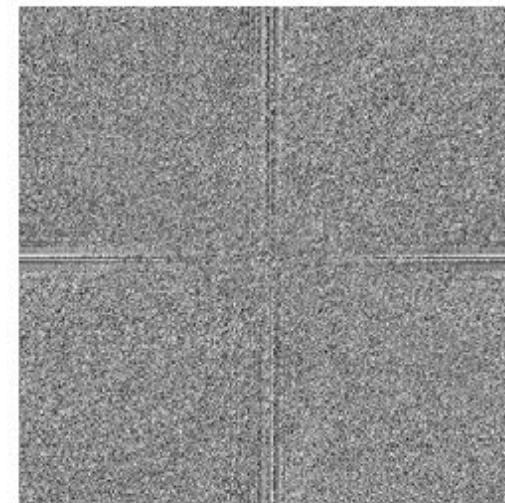
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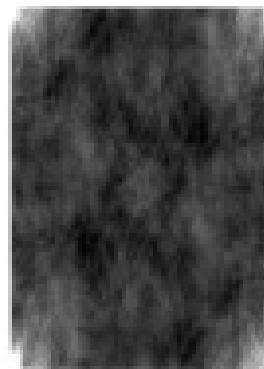
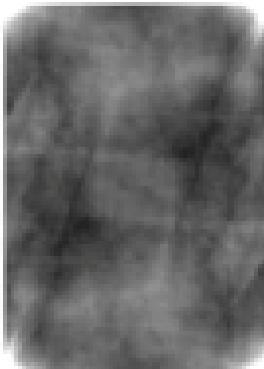


phase



“We generally do not display phase images because most people who see them shortly thereafter succumb to hallucinogenics or end up in a Tibetan monastery” – John Brayer

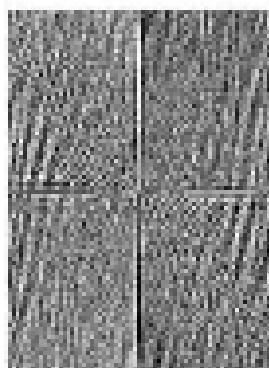
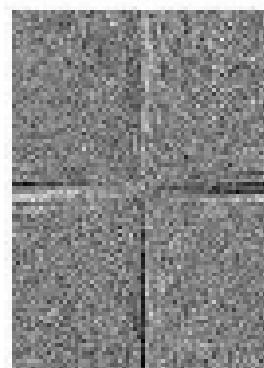
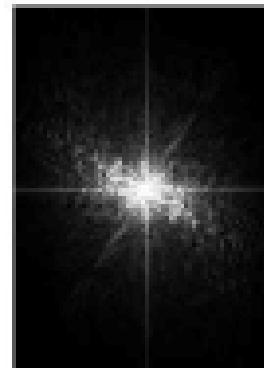
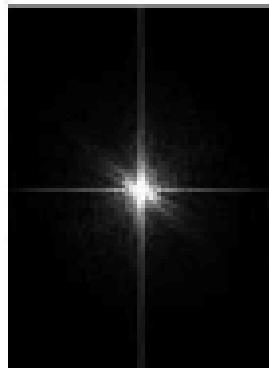
# Magnitude only and phase only reconstructions



Reconstruction using  
magnitude only

Top Left Photo: Ralph's  
magnitude is the same,  
Phase = 0

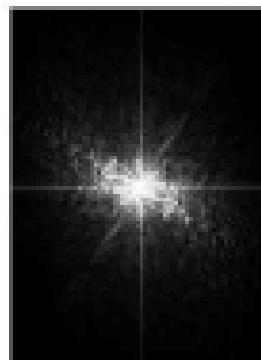
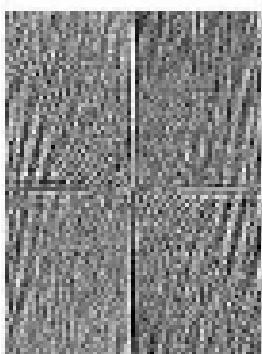
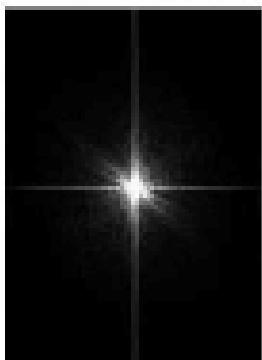
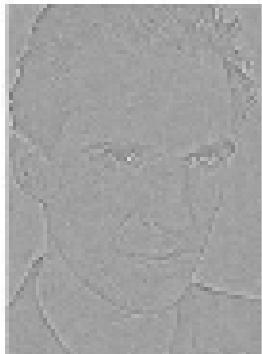
Top Right Photo: Meg's  
magnitude is the same,  
Phase = 0



Reconstruction using  
phase only

Top Left Photo: Ralph's  
magnitude normalized to  
one, Phase is the same

Top Right Photo: Meg's  
magnitude normalized to  
one, Phase is the same

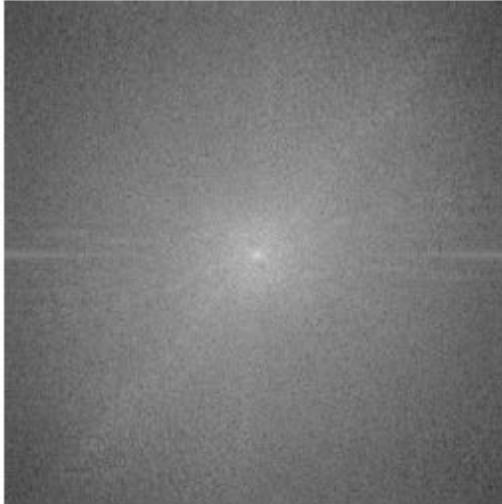


# Phase swapping

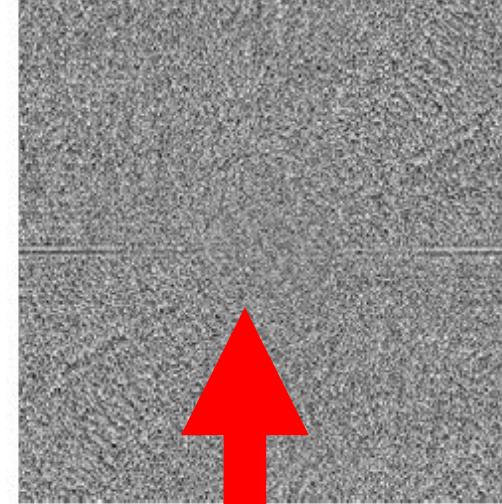
## Fourier transforms of natural images



original



amplitude



phase

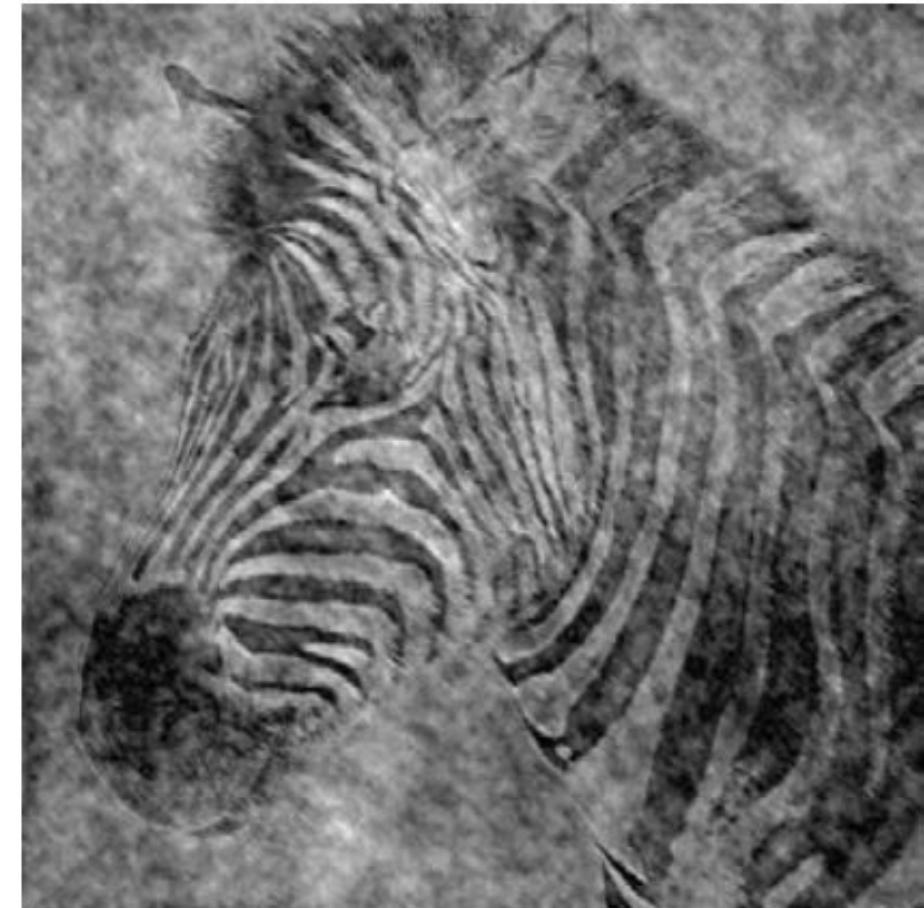
What if we took the phase of each image, swapped it, and did the inverse Fourier transform?

# Phase Swapping

Image phase matters!



cheetah phase with zebra amplitude



zebra phase with cheetah amplitude

# The convolution theorem

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

$$\mathcal{F}\{g * h\} = \mathcal{F}\{g\}\mathcal{F}\{h\}$$

The inverse Fourier transform of the product of two Fourier transforms is the convolution of the two inverse Fourier transforms:

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}\{gh\} = \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{g\} * \mathcal{F}^{-1}\{h\}$$

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

- low-pass filter: convolution in primal domain

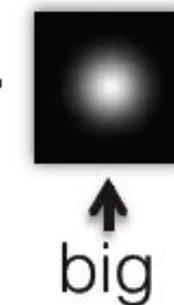
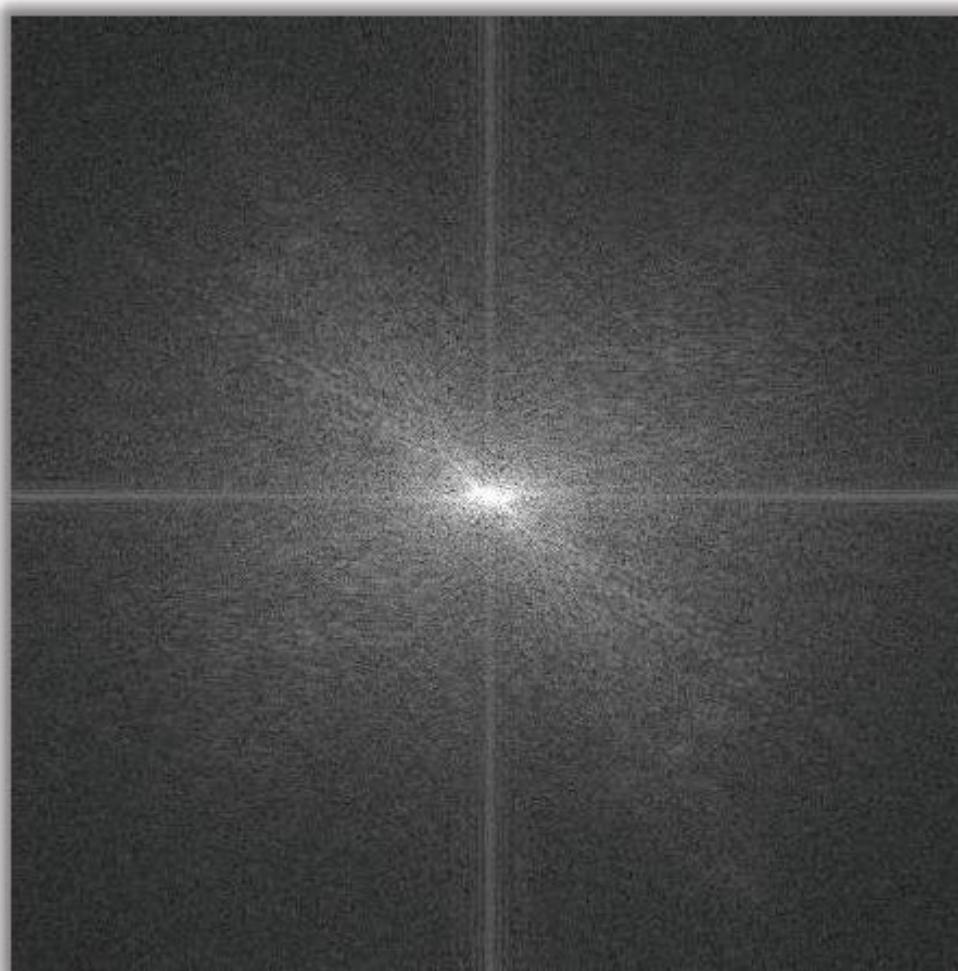
$$b = x * c$$



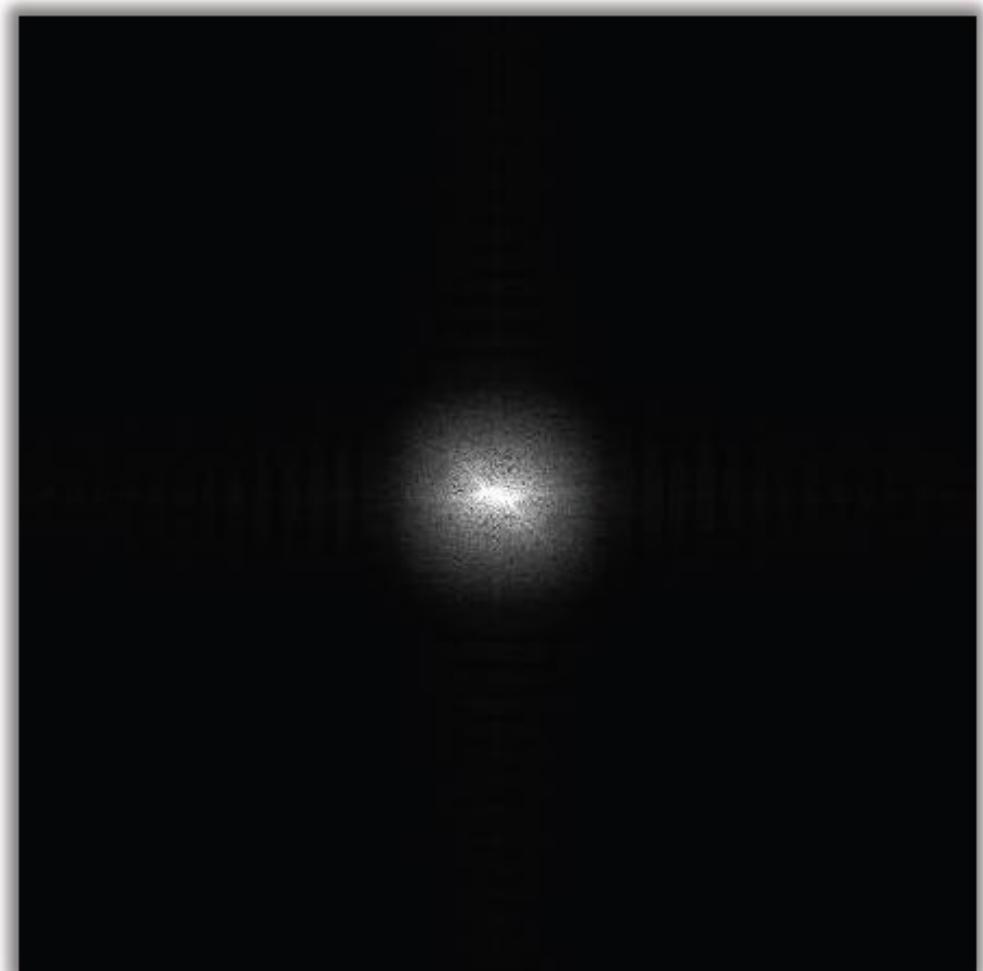
$$x * \begin{matrix} c \\ \uparrow \\ \text{small kernel} \end{matrix} = b$$



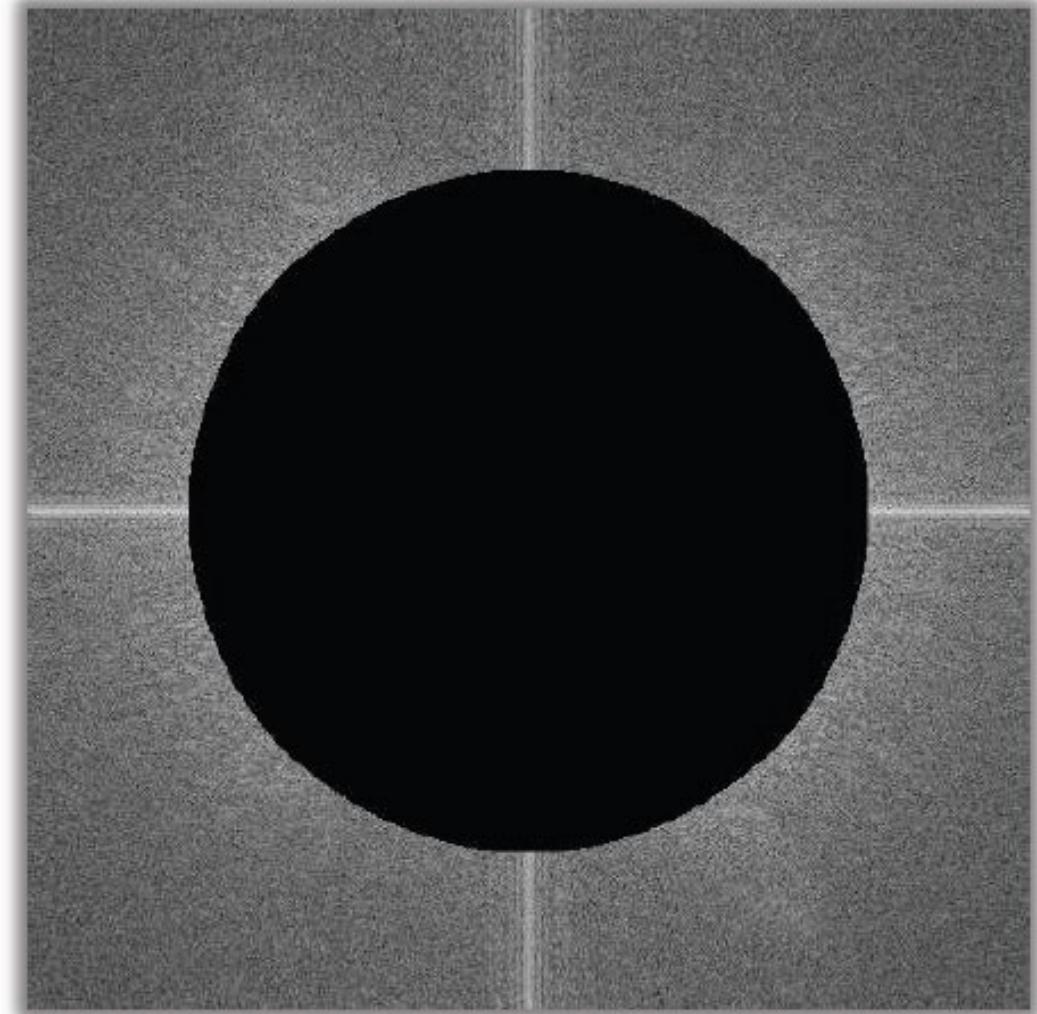
- low-pass filter: multiplication in frequency domain



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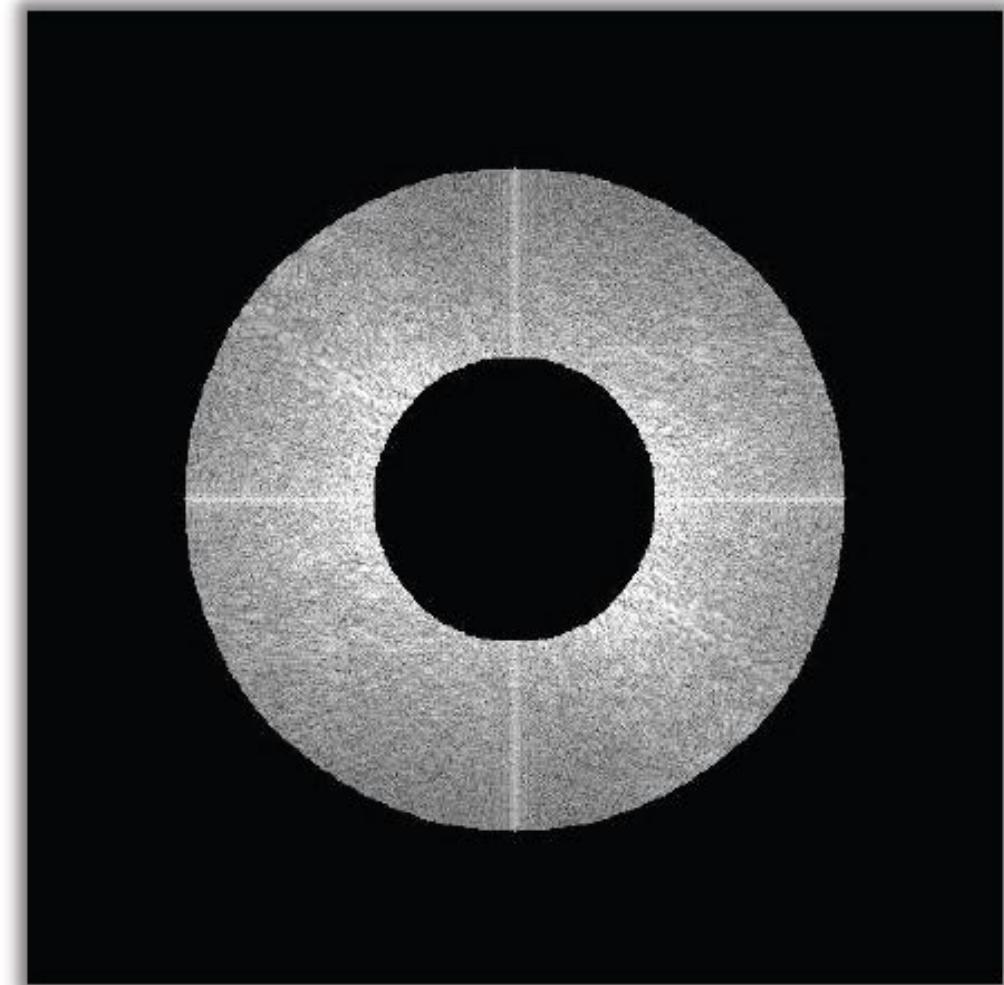


# High Pass Filter



Slides courtesy of G. Wetzstein

# Bandpass filtering



- edges with specific orientation (e.g., hat) are gone!

