

BMI 555 Homework Assignment 1

Due Oct-10-2024

Deliverables: Code, Plots, Observations.

Introduction. Shepp-Logan phantom below is commonly used to test reconstruction algorithms. You can download the image from: <http://bigwww.epfl.ch/thevenaz/shepplogan/phantom.gif>

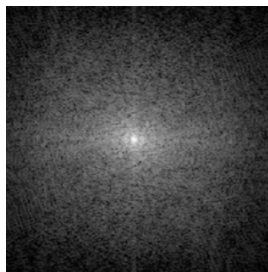


1. MRI – Fourier Transform

- a. Simulate the acquisition of k-space data by applying a **2D** Fourier Transform to the Shepp-Logan image. Plot the 2D Fourier Domain **magnitude** image in log scale. (k-space data are complex, you will encounter error if you try to plot it directly).

Hint1: use `numpy.fft.fft2()` in Python or equivalent in MATLAB.

Hint2: depending on the implementation of the 2D Fourier Transform, the DC point (the entry with the highest magnitude in the Fourier domain), might be at a corner. In that case, move it to the center of the image. You should have something like this:



- b. Perform inverse 2D Fourier Transform. Plot the magnitude image (i.e. the absolute value of the image matrix).

Hint: using `numpy.fft.ifft2()` (or equivalent in MATLAB).

- c. Removing the 10x10 patch from the center of the k-space (setting all values within that patch to 0), perform inverse 2D Fourier Transform. Plot the magnitude image.
- d. Perform inverse 2D Fourier Transform using only the center 10x10 patch (setting everything outside to 0).
- e. What's your observations?

2. CT and nuclear imaging – Radon Transform

- Apply the Radon Transform to the Shepp-Logan phantom image at multiple angles (0° , 45° , 90°). Plot the profiles using 2D line plot.
- Generate the sinogram of the Shepp-Logan phantom with 1° increment from $0^\circ - 360^\circ$.

Hint: Use Python's `skimage.transform.radon()` or MATLAB's `radon()` function.

- Perform inverse radon transform (such as `iradon()` function) of the sinogram to reconstruct the image from the sinogram (**WITHOUT any filter**). This is inverse radon transfer, equivalent to back-projection.
- Perform inverse radon transform to reconstruct the image from the sinogram (**WITH Ram-Lak filter**).
- Compare the two images you reconstructed with the original image. What's your observation?

3. CT and nuclear imaging – Noisy data

Now repeat problem 2 again **after** adding Gaussian noise to your data by doing the following:

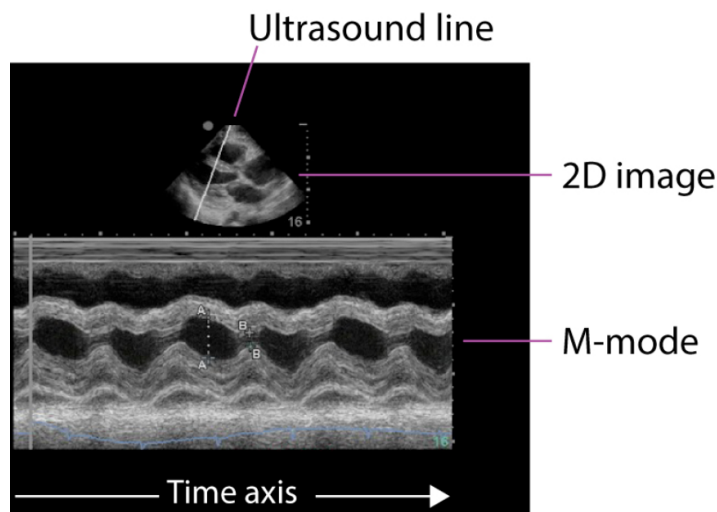
Step 1. Normalize your Shepp-Logan image such that black equals to 0, and the max is 1.

Step 2. Add Gaussian noise with the distribution of $\sim N(0, 0.1)$ to the image.

Step 3. repeat all subproblems in Problem 2.

4. Ultrasound imaging – M mode

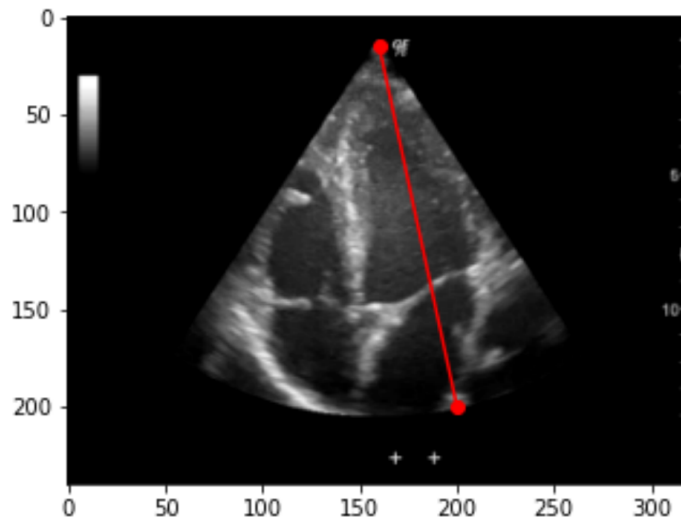
Simulate M-mode ultrasound from b-mode ultrasound image. One example is below.



You can download the cardiac ultrasound B-mode image from

https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Ultrasound_of_human_heart_apical_4-chamber_view.gif. This is not the one shown in the example above.

- a. Simulate M-mode ultrasound by plotting data across the gif frame from the line defined by two point [160, 15] and [200, 200] as shown below.



5. Monte Carlo method to Estimate $\frac{\pi}{4}$

Generate N random points in a unit square (with side length of 1) for N = 100, 1000, and 10000. Count how many fall inside the quarter circle defined by $x^2 + y^2 \leq 1$ as shown in the figure below. Repeat each experiment 10 times, calculate the mean and standard deviation of the estimate for $\frac{\pi}{4}$. For each N, pick one run (in the 10 runs) and plot the points generated, use different colors for points inside and outside the quarter circle.

