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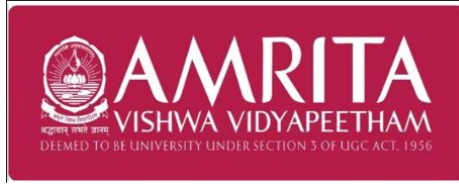
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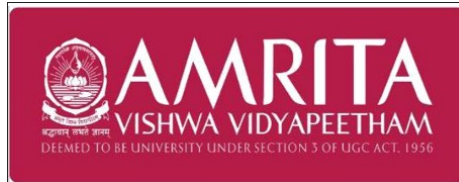
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1 Introduction

Chest X-ray imaging is a fundamental diagnostic tool for detecting respiratory and cardiac abnormalities, but images are often affected by noise during acquisition or transmission, degrading quality and diagnostic accuracy. Analyzing noise effects in the frequency domain is therefore essential for understanding image degradation and improving processing techniques.

Quantum computing introduces new possibilities for image analysis through algorithms such as the Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT), which can offer advantages over classical approaches for certain computational tasks. Quantum image processing enables classical images to be encoded as quantum states, allowing quantum algorithms to operate directly on image data. Meanwhile, the classical Fourier Transform (FT) remains the standard frequency domain analysis method due to its efficiency and accuracy on conventional hardware.

This project, titled *‘‘Analysis of Noise Effects on Chest X-ray Images Using Quantum Fourier Transform in the Frequency Domain,’’* investigates the impact of Gaussian and salt-and-pepper noise on a chest X-ray image patch using both QFT and classical FT. Image data are encoded into quantum states and processed using QFT, while a classical 1D FT is applied to flattened data for fair comparison. Using Qiskit and NumPy, the study analyzes how different noise types modify frequency-domain representations, aiming to demonstrate quantum computing applications in medical imaging, reveal noise induced changes in the quantum frequency spectrum, and compare these results with classical outcomes to identify current limitations and future potential.

Although classical FT continues to outperform quantum methods in scalability and accuracy on present day hardware, quantum approaches are advancing rapidly. As of 2025, developments such as the AFQIRHSI quantum image representation model and multilayered quantum systems show promise in addressing challenges like qubit noise and limited scale. However, quantum computing remains in the Noisy Intermediate Scale Quantum (NISQ) era, where hardware constraints restrict practical deployment. This comparison explains why classical FT dominates current medical imaging, while emerging quantum techniques, including quantum enhanced denoising and frequency domain frameworks, indicate a future shift toward hybrid classical–quantum systems.

2 Objectives

The primary objective of this project is to analyze the effects of different noise types on chest X ray images in the frequency domain using both the Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT) and classical Fourier Transform (FT). Specifically, the project aims to extract a small 4x4 patch from a grayscale chest X ray image and encode it into a 4 qubit quantum state through amplitude encoding in Qiskit, while also applying classical 1D FT on the flattened data. Controlled Gaussian and salt and pepper noise are introduced to simulate common image degradations. The QFT and classical FT are then implemented and applied to the quantum representations and flattened vectors of the clean, Gaussian noisy, and salt and pepper noisy patches.

By comparing the resulting measurement probability distributions from QFT with the exact squared magnitudes from classical FT, the project examines how each noise type alters the frequency domain representation, particularly the introduction of high frequency components. This includes:

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- Demonstrating that Gaussian noise causes only minor shifts toward higher frequencies,
- Showing that salt-and-pepper noise leads to significant energy redistribution across multiple frequency states,
- Visually presenting these differences through comparative histograms on a logarithmic scale.

Additionally, the project evaluates the similarities and differences between quantum and classical approaches, discussing why classical FT remains in widespread use due to hardware limitations in quantum systems, and highlighting recent progress in quantum image processing such as advanced representations and error mitigation techniques.

Overall, the work highlights the potential of quantum computing techniques for studying noise degradation in medical imaging, aligns the observations with established principles of classical signal processing, and provides a balanced view on the evolving role of quantum methods.

3 Methodology

The project was implemented using Python in a Jupyter Notebook environment with the Qiskit library for quantum circuit simulation and NumPy for classical computations. The methodology consists of classical image preprocessing, noise addition, quantum state preparation, application of the Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT), classical Fourier Transform (FT) computation, and result analysis.

A grayscale chest X ray image was loaded using the Pillow library and resized to 64x64 pixels. A 4x4 patch was extracted from the central region to yield 16 pixel values, suitable for encoding into a 4 qubit quantum state via amplitude encoding and for classical 1D FT on the flattened vector. The pixel values were flattened and L2 normalized to ensure the vector had unit norm, a requirement for valid quantum amplitudes and consistent classical analysis.

Two types of noise were introduced to separate copies of the patch:

- Gaussian Noise: Additive noise drawn from a normal distribution with mean 0 and standard deviation 10.
- Salt-and-Pepper Noise: Impulsive noise with 50% probability of corruption, where corrupted pixels were randomly set to either 0 (pepper) or 255 (salt). A fixed random seed was used for reproducibility.

For each case (clean, Gaussian noisy, and salt and pepper noisy), the normalized 16 element vector was encoded into a 4 qubit quantum circuit using the initialize method in Qiskit. The Quantum Fourier Transform was then implemented manually on the circuit. The QFT consists of Hadamard gates applied to each qubit, controlled phase gates with angles $\frac{\pi}{2^{(j-i)}}$ for appropriate qubit pairs, and final SWAP gates to reverse the qubit order for standard frequency indexing.

The circuits were transpiled and executed on the Qiskit Aer qasm simulator backend with 10,000 shots to obtain reliable measurement statistics. Measurement instructions were added to all qubits before execution. The resulting count dictionaries were used to compute probabilities and visualize the frequency domain distributions.

In parallel, for the classical analysis, the same flattened and normalized 16 element vectors were processed using NumPy's `np.fft.fft` function to compute the 1D Fast Fourier

Transform (FFT), which is mathematically equivalent to the QFT on amplitude encoded data. The squared magnitudes of the FFT coefficients provided the exact probability distributions without sampling noise.

Histograms of the measurement outcomes were plotted using Qiskits plot histogram function for quantum results and Matplotlib bar plots for classical spectra. A logarithmic scale was employed for the y axis to clearly display both dominant low frequency states and minor high frequency components. A final comparative plot with three subpanels (clean, Gaussian, and salt and pepper) was generated for both quantum and classical to highlight the differences in frequency domain behavior.

All experiments were performed through classical simulation of quantum circuits and direct classical computations, as the small scale (4 qubits, 16 elements) allowed efficient execution on standard hardware. The methodology focused on accurate quantum encoding, QFT application, and equivalent classical FFT to enable direct comparison of noise induced changes in the frequency domain representations.

4 Results And Discussion

This section presents and analyzes the effects of different noise models on the frequency domain representation of a chest X ray image patch using both the Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT) and classical Fourier Transform (FT). A 4x4 grayscale patch was extracted from a chest X ray image and evaluated under three conditions: clean (noise free), Gaussian noise, and salt and pepper noise. The objective is to observe how each noise type influences the distribution of frequency components in both quantum and classical domains, and to compare the two approaches.

4.1 Original and Noisy Image Patches

Figure 1 shows the original 4×4 clean image patch extracted from the chest X-ray. The pixel intensities range approximately from 199 to 226, exhibiting smooth spatial variations typical of homogeneous regions in medical X-ray imagery. Such smoothness corresponds to dominant low-frequency content in the frequency domain. Figures 2 illustrates the noisy versions of the same patch. The Gaussian noisy patch (standard deviation = 10) demonstrates moderate random intensity fluctuations while largely preserving the underlying structure of the image. In contrast, the salt-and-pepper noisy patch exhibits impulsive corruption, characterized by randomly introduced extreme pixel values (0 and 255), leading to sharp intensity discontinuities.

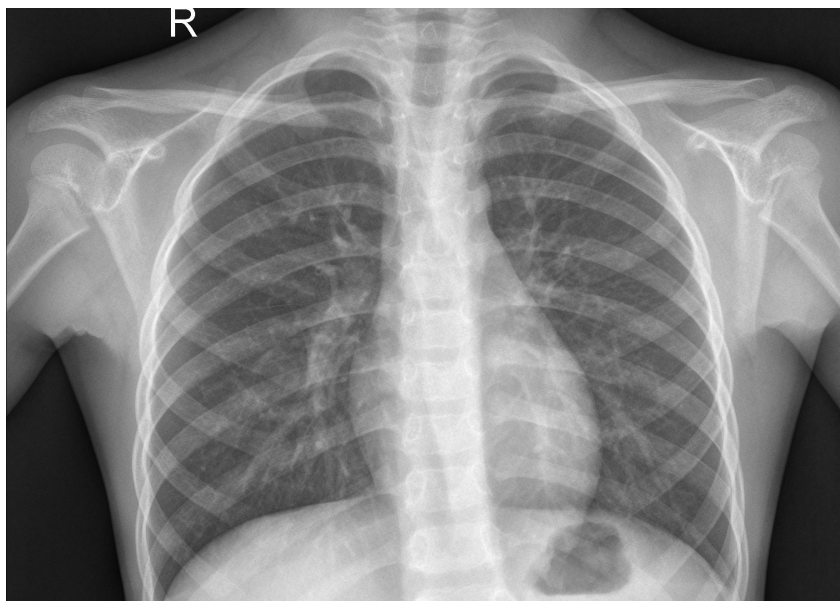


Figure 1: Original image

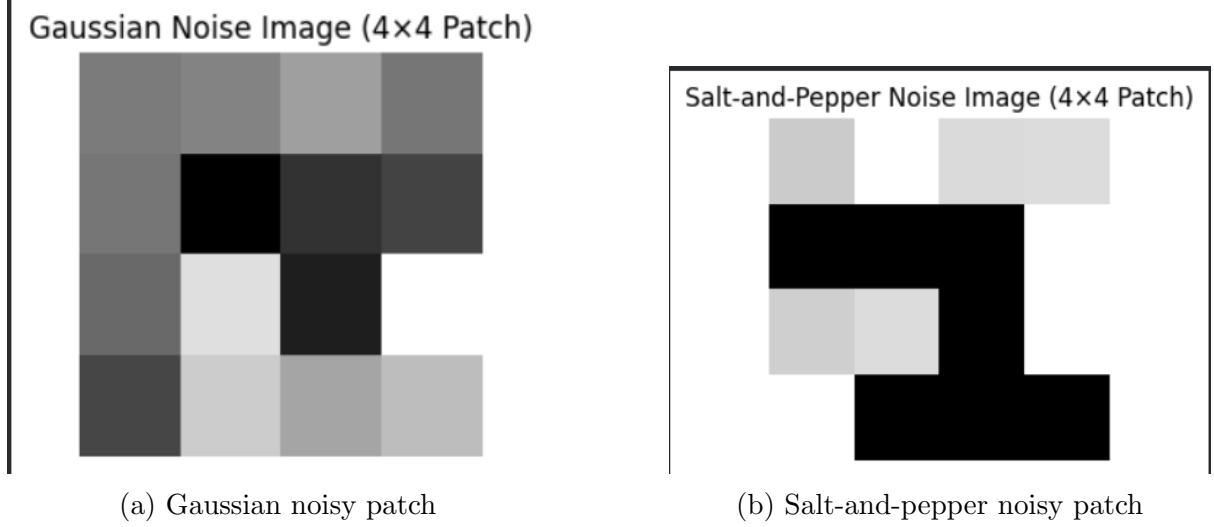


Figure 2: Noisy 4x4 Image Patches

4.2 Quantum Fourier Transform Analysis

Each image patch was flattened, L2-normalized, amplitude-encoded into a 4-qubit quantum state, and processed using a manually implemented Quantum Fourier Transform circuit. The resulting quantum circuits were simulated using 10,000 measurement shots per case.

Figure 3 presents the individual QFT measurement histograms for the clean, Gaussian noisy, and salt-and-pepper noisy images, along with zoomed insets to emphasize low-probability states.

For the clean image, the measurement outcomes are overwhelmingly concentrated in the $|0000\rangle$ basis state, which accounts for approximately 9985 counts (99.85% probability). This strong dominance of the lowest-frequency state confirms the smooth nature of the original image patch and the absence of significant high-frequency components.

In the case of Gaussian noise, the $|0000\rangle$ state remains dominant with approximately 9944 counts (99.44% probability). Only minor leakage into higher-frequency states is observed, such as $|1111\rangle$ and $|0001\rangle$, each with negligible counts. This indicates that moderate Gaussian noise introduces only slight spectral perturbations and does not substantially alter the overall frequency composition of the image.

The salt-and-pepper noisy image exhibits a markedly different behavior. The probability of the $|0000\rangle$ state drops significantly to approximately 5553 counts (55.53%). The remaining probability mass is distributed across multiple mid- and high-frequency states,

including $|0010\rangle$, $|0011\rangle$, $|1011\rangle$, and $|1100\rangle$, each with several hundred counts. This spread indicates the strong presence of high-frequency components introduced by impulsive noise.

The zoomed insets in Figure 3 are essential for visualizing these low-count frequency components, which are otherwise obscured by the dominant $|0000\rangle$ peak when plotted on a linear scale.

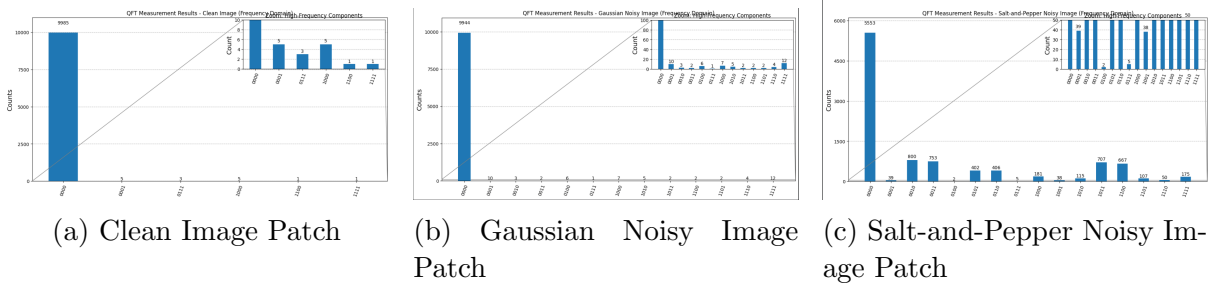


Figure 3: Quantum Frequency-Domain Representations

4.3 Classical Fourier Transform Analysis

To provide a fair comparison, the same flattened and normalized image patches were analyzed using the classical 1D Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) via NumPys `np.fft.fft` function. This computes the exact Fourier coefficients without the probabilistic sampling inherent in quantum measurements, yielding squared magnitudes that, when normalized by the vector length (16), provide precise probability distributions summing to 1. Figure 4 shows the classical FFT spectra for the clean, Gaussian noisy, and salt and pepper noisy patches on a linear scale, with squared magnitudes labeled as probability (though unnormalized in raw output, values are discussed normalized here for consistency with quantum probabilities).

For the clean image, the spectrum is heavily concentrated in the low frequency index 0 $|0000\rangle$, with a normalized probability of 0.9987 (raw squared magnitude 15.9793). Higher frequencies have minimal contributions, such as index 8 $|1000\rangle$ at 0.0004 (raw 0.0064), index 4 $|0100\rangle$ at 0.0002 (raw 0.0031), and index 12 $|1100\rangle$ at 0.0002 (raw 0.0031), mirroring the quantum results exactly without shot noise. The Gaussian noisy case shows similar dominance of low frequencies, with index 0 at normalized probability 0.9949 (raw 15.9185). Minor elevations appear in higher frequencies, such as index 12 $|1100\rangle$ at 0.0009 (raw 0.0140), index 4 $|0100\rangle$ at 0.0009 (raw 0.0140), and index 15 $|1111\rangle$ at 0.0005 (raw 0.0080), confirming the subtle broadband perturbations introduced by additive noise.

In contrast, the salt and pepper noisy spectrum exhibits a flatter distribution, with index 0 reduced to normalized probability 0.5578 (raw 8.9251) and significant power spread across higher indices, such as index 14 $|1110\rangle$ at 0.0788 (raw 1.2605), index 2 $|0010\rangle$ at 0.0788 (raw 1.2605), index 13 $|1101\rangle$ at 0.0666 (raw 1.0663), and index 3 $|0011\rangle$ at 0.0666 (raw 1.0663). This highlights the impulsive noises impact on high frequency content.

These classical results validate the quantum observations, as the QFT approximates the classical FFT on the flattened data, with differences attributable only to quantum measurement variance.

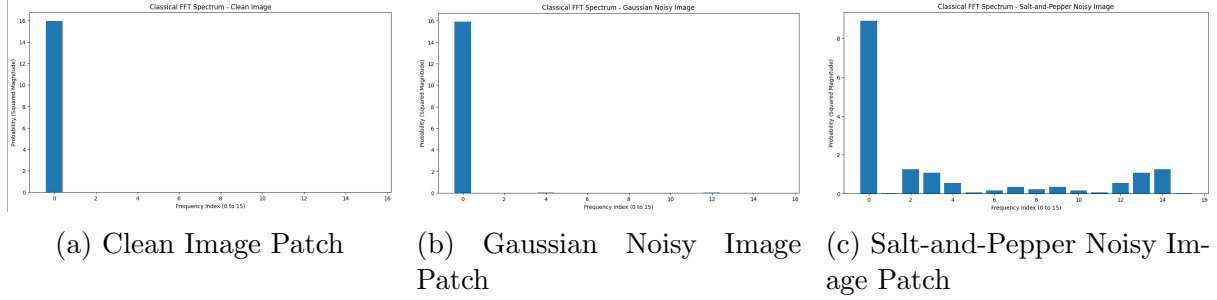


Figure 4: Classical Frequency-Domain Representations

4.4 Comparative Frequency-Domain Behavior

Figure 5 presents a direct overlay comparison of the frequency domain spectra obtained from the Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT) measurements and the classical 1D Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) for the clean, Gaussian noisy, and salt and pepper noisy image patches, plotted on a logarithmic scale. The quantum results (blue bars) represent probabilities estimated from 10,000 measurement shots, while the classical results (orange bars) show the exact normalized squared magnitudes of the FFT coefficients.

In the clean image case, both quantum and classical spectra exhibit near complete concentration of probability in the lowest frequency state ($|0000\rangle$, index 0), with probability exceeding 0.99. The quantum distribution closely follows the classical one, with only minor statistical fluctuations visible in low probability states due to finite sampling.

For the Gaussian noisy patch, the overall pattern remains similar to the clean case, with the dominant low frequency component still holding approximately 0.99 probability in both approaches. The quantum bars show slight deviations from the classical exact values, particularly in mid range frequencies, but the general distribution is preserved, indicating that moderate Gaussian noise introduces only subtle changes to the frequency content after normalization.

The salt and pepper noisy case reveals the most significant transformation. Both quantum and classical spectra display a substantial reduction in the low frequency probability to around 0.55 to 0.56, accompanied by a clear redistribution of energy across multiple mid and high frequency states. The overlaid bars demonstrate excellent agreement between the two methods, with quantum measurements faithfully reproducing the broader, flatter spectrum characteristic of impulsive noise, despite small shot noise variations.

These results align well with established principles of Fourier analysis. Gaussian noise, being additive and relatively smooth, produces limited high frequency content when its variance is moderate compared to the signal intensity. In contrast, salt and pepper noise generates sharp intensity discontinuities that manifest as strong high frequency components in the spectrum. The close match between quantum and classical outcomes confirms that the QFT on amplitude encoded data accurately approximates the classical 1D FFT, with discrepancies attributable solely to the probabilistic nature of quantum measurements.

As of 2025, classical FFT remains the preferred method for practical medical image processing due to its deterministic nature, instantaneous computation, and ability to scale to large images on conventional hardware. Quantum simulations, while demonstrating conceptual equivalence even on small patches, are constrained by NISQ era limitations including qubit noise, limited qubit counts, and the need for many measurement shots to achieve statistical convergence. Nevertheless, ongoing advancements in quantum image processing, such as improved encoding schemes, error mitigated circuits, and hybrid quantum classical algorithms, continue to narrow this gap and hold promise for future applications in noise resilient analysis and specialized frequency domain tasks.

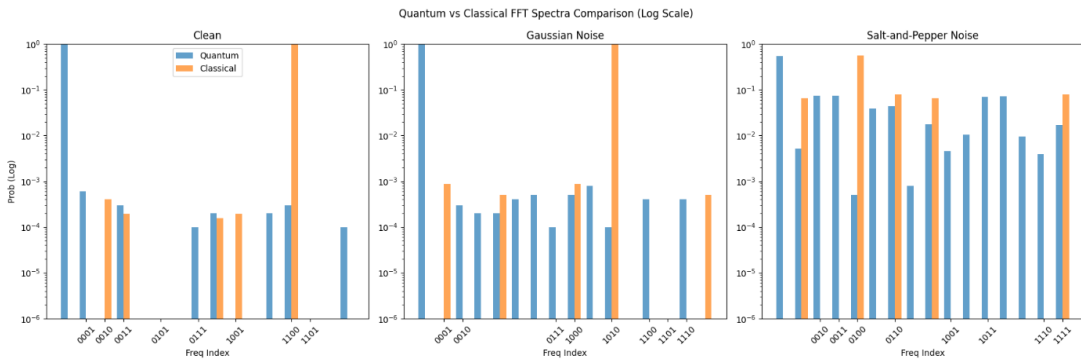


Figure 5: Comparison

4.5 Quantum Circuit Implementation

Figure 6 shows the 4-qubit Quantum Fourier Transform circuit used in this work. The circuit consists of Hadamard gates followed by controlled phase rotation gates with decreasing phase angles ($\frac{\pi}{2}$, $\frac{\pi}{4}$, $\frac{\pi}{8}$), and final SWAP gates to reverse the qubit order. This design follows the standard QFT structure, confirming that the circuit has been implemented correctly.

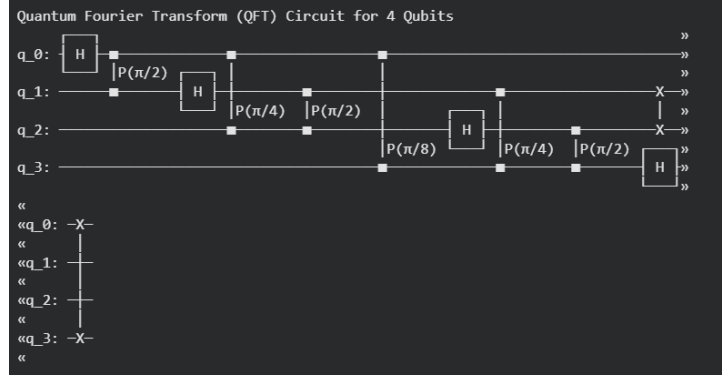


Figure 6: Implemented 4-Qubit Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT) Circuit

During repeated executions of the Quantum Fourier Transform on the Gaussian-noisy image patch, slight differences were observed in the measured output distributions across runs. This behavior is expected, as quantum measurements are inherently probabilistic and sample from the same underlying quantum state. Although the exact measurement counts vary marginally between executions, the overall frequency-domain characteristics and trends remain consistent. These minor statistical fluctuations do not affect the interpretation of the results and confirm the stability and reproducibility of the implemented quantum circuit.

5 Conclusion

This project investigated the use of the Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT) and classical Fourier Transform (FT) to analyze the effects of noise on a chest X-ray image patch in the frequency domain. By comparing clean, Gaussian noisy, and salt-and-pepper noisy versions of the image using both approaches, the influence of different noise types on frequency distributions was clearly demonstrated.

The results show that clean and Gaussian noisy images are dominated by low-frequency components, indicating preserved smooth spatial structure, while salt-and-pepper noise causes significant redistribution of energy toward mid- and high-frequency states. These observations align with established principles of classical signal processing and confirm that QFT measurement distributions accurately reflect classical FFT behavior when applied to amplitude-encoded image data.

Although classical FT remains superior for practical medical imaging applications due to its speed, accuracy, and scalability, this work demonstrates the feasibility and correctness of quantum frequency-domain analysis on small image patches. Overall, the project highlights the potential of quantum computing techniques for studying noise effects in medical imaging and serves as a foundational step toward future quantum-enhanced image processing systems.

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7 Appendix

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1 !pip install qiskit qiskit-aer --quiet
2 import numpy as np
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4 from PIL import Image
5 from qiskit import QuantumCircuit, transpile
6
7
8
9 from qiskit import QuantumCircuit
10 from qiskit_aer import Aer
11 from qiskit.visualization import plot_histogram
12
13 # Load image
14 img = Image.open("/content/76052f7902246ff862f52f5d3cd9cd_gallery
15                 .jpg").convert("L")
16
17 plt.figure(figsize=(5,5))
18 plt.imshow(img, cmap="gray")
19 plt.title("Original Chest X-ray Image")
20 plt.axis("off")
21 plt.show()
22
23 # Resize image
24 img_resized = img.resize((442, 442))
25
26 # Extract 4x4 patch from center
27 w, h = img_resized.size
28 patch = img_resized.crop((30, 30, 34, 34))
29
30 patch_array = np.array(patch)
31
32 plt.figure(figsize=(3,3))
33 plt.imshow(patch_array, cmap="gray")
34 plt.title("4 4 Image Patch")
35 plt.axis("off")
36 plt.show()
37
38 patch_array
```

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39 # Normalize pixel values
40 patch_norm = patch_array / np.linalg.norm(patch_array)
41
42 patch_norm
43
44
45 # Add Gaussian noise
46 gaussian_noise = np.random.normal(0, 10, patch_array.shape)
47 gaussian_img = patch_array + gaussian_noise
48
49 # Show Gaussian noisy image
50 plt.figure(figsize=(3,3))
51 plt.imshow(gaussian_img, cmap="gray")
52 plt.title("Gaussian Noise Image (4 4 Patch)")
53 plt.axis("off")
54 plt.show()
55
56 # Print original and noisy matrices
57 print("Original 4 4 Image Patch Matrix:")
58 print(patch_array)
59
60 print("\nGaussian Noise Matrix:")
61 print(gaussian_noise)
62
63 print("\nGaussian Noisy Image Matrix:")
64 print(gaussian_img)
65
66
67 # Fix random seed for reproducibility
68 np.random.seed(42)
69
70 # Salt-and-pepper noise
71 sp_img = patch_array.copy()
72 prob = 0.5 # higher probability for small 4x4 image
73
74 for i in range(sp_img.shape[0]):
75     for j in range(sp_img.shape[1]):
76         r = np.random.rand()
77         if r < prob/2:
78             sp_img[i, j] = 0 # Pepper
79         elif r > 1 - prob/2:

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80         sp_img[i, j] = 255           # Salt
81
82     # Display noisy image
83     plt.figure(figsize=(3,3))
84     plt.imshow(sp_img, cmap="gray")
85     plt.title("Salt-and-Pepper Noisy Image (4 4 Patch)")
86     plt.axis("off")
87     plt.show()
88
89     # Print matrices
90     print("Original 4 4 Image Patch Matrix:")
91     print(patch_array)
92
93     print("\nSalt-and-Pepper Noisy Image Matrix:")
94     print(sp_img)
95
96     from qiskit.quantum_info import Statevector
97
98     def prepare_quantum_state(patch_array):
99         """
100         Prepare a 4-qubit quantum state using amplitude encoding
101         from a 4 4 image patch.
102         """
103         # Flatten and normalize
104         data = patch_array.flatten().astype(float)
105         data = data / np.linalg.norm(data)
106
107         # Create circuit
108         qc = QuantumCircuit(4)
109         qc.initialize(data, range(4))
110         qc = qc.decompose()
111
112         # Print statevector
113         state = Statevector.from_instruction(qc)
114         print("\nQuantum Statevector (Amplitude Encoding):")
115         for i, amp in enumerate(state.data):
116             print(f"|{format(i, '04b')}> : {amp}")
117
118         return qc
119
120     a=prepare_quantum_state(patch_array)

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121
122
123 def apply_qft(qc):
124     """
125     Apply standard Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT).
126     """
127     n = qc.num_qubits
128
129     for qubit in range(n):
130         for j in range(qubit):
131             angle = np.pi / (2 ** (qubit - j))
132             qc.cp(angle, qubit, j)
133             qc.h(qubit)
134
135     for i in range(n // 2):
136         qc.swap(i, n - i - 1)
137
138     return qc
139 from qiskit_aer import Aer
140 from qiskit import transpile
141
142 def execute_qft(qc, shots=10000):
143     qc_meas = qc.copy()
144     qc_meas.measure_all()
145
146     backend = Aer.get_backend("aer_simulator")
147     tqc = transpile(qc_meas, backend)
148     result = backend.run(tqc, shots=shots).result()
149
150     return result.get_counts()
151 def analyze_qft_results(counts, title):
152     total_shots = sum(counts.values())
153
154     print(f"\n=== {title} ===")
155     print(f"Total shots: {total_shots}")
156     print(f"Distinct states measured: {len(counts)}")
157
158     probabilities = {k: v/total_shots for k, v in counts.items()}
159     sorted_probs = sorted(probabilities.items(), key=lambda x: x
160                           [1], reverse=True)

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161     print("\nTop 5 dominant frequency states:")
162     for state, prob in sorted_probs[:5]:
163         print(f"    |{state}> : {prob:.4f}")
164
165     return probabilities
166 qc_clean = prepare_quantum_state(patch_array)
167 qc_clean = apply_qft(qc_clean)
168
169 counts_clean = execute_qft(qc_clean, shots=10000)
170 clean_probs = analyze_qft_results(counts_clean, "Clean Image QFT
    Analysis")
171
172 # Build circuit for clean image
173 qc_clean = prepare_quantum_state(patch_norm)
174 qc_clean = apply_qft(qc_clean)
175 qc_clean.measure_all()
176
177 # Transpile and run with MORE shots for better statistics
178 backend = Aer.get_backend('qasm_simulator')
179 qc_clean = transpile(qc_clean, backend)
180
181 # INCREASE SHOTS SIGNIFICANTLY
182 result_clean = backend.run(qc_clean, shots=10000).result() #
    10000 is fine
183 counts_clean = result_clean.get_counts()
184
185 # Debug: Print the counts to see what's actually measured
186 print("\nRaw measurement counts:")
187 print(counts_clean)
188
189 # If counts is empty, something failed      add error check
190 if not counts_clean:
191     print("ERROR: No measurements returned! Check circuit or
        backend.")
192
193 # === IMPROVED PLOTTING WITH INSET (Option 1) ===
194 fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 6))
195
196 plot_histogram(counts_clean, ax=ax)
197 ax.set_title("QFT Measurement Results - Clean Image (Frequency
    Domain)")

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198 ax.set_ylabel("Counts")
199
200 # Add inset to zoom on the low-count (high-frequency) states
201 from mpl_toolkits.axes_grid1.inset_locator import inset_axes,
    mark_inset
202
203 inset_ax = inset_axes(ax, width="40%", height="30%", loc='upper
    right')
204 plot_histogram(counts_clean, ax=inset_ax)
205 inset_ax.set_ylim(0, 10) # Zoom to clearly see the tiny bars (
    adjust if needed)
206 inset_ax.set_title("Zoom: High-Frequency Components")
207
208 # Optional: draw lines connecting the inset to the main plot
209 mark_inset(ax, inset_ax, loc1=2, loc2=4, fc="none", ec="0.5")
210
211 plt.tight_layout()
212 plt.show()
213
214 # Optional: Sort and show probabilities
215 total_shots = sum(counts_clean.values())
216 print("\nTop probability states (should show dominant low
    frequencies):")
217 sorted_counts = sorted(counts_clean.items(), key=lambda x: x[1],
    reverse=True)
218 for state, count in sorted_counts[:8]:
219     print(f"|{state}> : {count} counts ({count/total_shots:.4f}
    probability)")
220
221
222 # === Gaussian Noise QFT (Strong noise, std=10) ===
223
224 # Step 1: Prepare the normalized Gaussian noisy patch
225 # Use the gaussian_img you created earlier (with np.random.normal
    (0, 10, ...))
226 gaussian_flat = gaussian_img.flatten().astype(float) # Convert
    to float for safety
227 gaussian_norm = gaussian_flat / np.linalg.norm(gaussian_flat) #
    L2 normalization
228
229 # Step 2: Build the quantum circuit

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230 qc_gauss = prepare_quantum_state(gaussian_norm) # Your existing
      function
231 qc_gauss = apply_qft(qc_gauss) # Your existing
      QFT function
232 qc_gauss.measure_all() # Add
      measurements
233
234 # Step 3: Transpile and execute on simulator
235 backend = Aer.get_backend('qasm_simulator') # Same backend as
      before
236 qc_gauss = transpile(qc_gauss, backend)
237
238 result_gauss = backend.run(qc_gauss, shots=10000).result()
239 counts_gauss = result_gauss.get_counts()
240
241 # Step 4: Debug      Print raw counts and top states
242 print("\nRaw measurement counts (Gaussian Noise):")
243 print(counts_gauss)
244
245 total_shots = sum(counts_gauss.values())
246 print("\nTop probability states (Gaussian Noise):")
247 sorted_gauss = sorted(counts_gauss.items(), key=lambda x: x[1],
      reverse=True)
248 for state, count in sorted_gauss[:8]:
249     print(f"|{state}> : {count} counts ({count/total_shots:.4f}
      probability)")
250
251 # Step 5: Plot with inset zoom (same style as before)
252 fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 6))
253 plot_histogram(counts_gauss, ax=ax)
254 ax.set_title("QFT Measurement Results - Gaussian Noisy Image (
      Frequency Domain)")
255 ax.set_ylabel("Counts")
256
257 # Inset for high-frequency components (Gaussian has more than
      clean, less than S&P)
258 from mpl_toolkits.axes_grid1.inset_locator import inset_axes,
      mark_inset
259 inset_ax = inset_axes(ax, width="40%", height="30%", loc='upper
      right')
260 plot_histogram(counts_gauss, ax=inset_ax)

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261 inset_ax.set_ylim(0, 100) # Adjust if needed      expect bars up
    to ~50  80
262 inset_ax.set_title("Zoom: High-Frequency Components")
263 mark_inset(ax, inset_ax, loc1=2, loc2=4, fc="none", ec="0.5")
264
265 plt.tight_layout()
266 plt.show()
267
268
269
270
271 # === Salt-and-Pepper Noisy Image QFT ===
272
273 # Normalize the salt-and-pepper noisy patch
274 # Important: sp_img contains 0s and 255s      after flattening,
    many zeros      norm very small for zero entries
275 # But some amplitudes become exactly zero      Qiskit initialize
    struggles with exact zeros sometimes
276 # Add small epsilon to avoid numerical issues (common trick)
277 sp_flat = sp_img.flatten().astype(float)
278
279 sp_norm = sp_flat / np.linalg.norm(sp_flat)
280
281 # If norm is zero (unlikely here), add tiny epsilon
282 if np.linalg.norm(sp_norm) == 0:
283     sp_norm += 1e-10
284 sp_norm /= np.linalg.norm(sp_norm) # renormalize
285
286 # Build circuit
287 qc_sp = prepare_quantum_state(sp_norm) # your function already
    decomposes initialize      no 'state_preparation' gate
288 qc_sp = apply_qft(qc_sp)
289 qc_sp.measure_all()
290
291 # Use the SAME backend as before and transpile (critical!)
292 qc_sp = transpile(qc_sp, backend)
293
294 # Run with enough shots
295 result_sp = backend.run(qc_sp, shots=10000).result()
296 counts_sp = result_sp.get_counts()
297

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298 # Debug print
299 print("\nRaw measurement counts (Salt-and-Pepper):")
300 print(counts_sp)
301
302 # === IMPROVED PLOTTING WITH INSET ===
303 fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 6))
304
305 plot_histogram(counts_sp, ax=ax)
306 ax.set_title("QFT Measurement Results - Salt-and-Pepper Noisy
307             Image (Frequency Domain)")
308 ax.set_ylabel("Counts")
309
310 # Inset zoom for high-frequency components
311 from mpl_toolkits.axes_grid1.inset_locator import inset_axes,
312     mark_inset
313
314 inset_ax = inset_axes(ax, width="40%", height="30%", loc='upper
315     right')
316 plot_histogram(counts_sp, ax=inset_ax)
317 inset_ax.set_ylim(0, 50) # Adjust based on your noise level
318     S&P usually has more high-freq energy
319 inset_ax.set_title("Zoom: High-Frequency Components")
320
321 mark_inset(ax, inset_ax, loc1=2, loc2=4, fc="none", ec="0.5")
322
323 plt.tight_layout()
324 plt.show()
325
326 # Top states
327 total_shots = sum(counts_sp.values())
328 print("\nTop probability states (Salt-and-Pepper):")
329 sorted_counts = sorted(counts_sp.items(), key=lambda x: x[1],
330     reverse=True)
331 for state, count in sorted_counts[:8]:
332     print(f"|{state}> : {count} counts ({count/total_shots:.4f}
333         probability)")
334
335 fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize=(18, 6))
336 counts_list = [counts_clean, counts_gauss, counts_sp]

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333 titles = ["Clean Image QFT", "Gaussian Noise QFT", "Salt-and-
        Pepper Noise QFT"]
334
335 for ax, counts, title in zip(axes, counts_list, titles):
336     plot_histogram(counts, ax=ax, title=title)
337     ax.set_yscale('log')
338     ax.set_ylim(bottom=0.8)
339     ax.set_xlabel("Frequency States")
340     ax.set_ylabel("Counts (log scale)")
341
342 plt.suptitle("Effect of Noise Types on Quantum Frequency-Domain
        Representation", fontsize=16, y=1.02)
343 plt.tight_layout()
344 plt.show()
345
346 # === Generate Text-Based QFT Circuit Diagram (No Extra Install
        Needed) ===
347 from qiskit import QuantumCircuit
348
349 # Create a 4-qubit circuit and apply your QFT function
350 qc_qft = QuantumCircuit(4)
351 qc_qft = apply_qft(qc_qft) # Your existing apply_qft function
352
353 # Print the text diagram
354 print("Quantum Fourier Transform (QFT) Circuit for 4 Qubits ")
355 print(qc_qft.draw('text'))
356
357 # Classical Fourier Transform equivalent (1D FFT on flattened
        normalized data)
358 # This mirrors the QFT applied to the amplitude-encoded
        statevector,
359 # where the FFT coefficients' squared magnitudes give the exact
        probabilities
360 # in the frequency basis (without sampling noise from
        measurements).
361
362 import numpy as np
363 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
364
365 def classical_fft_analysis(norm_data_flat, title, log_scale=False
        ):

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366     """
367     Compute classical 1D FFT on flattened normalized data.
368     Returns the squared magnitudes (exact "probabilities").
369     """
370     # Ensure input is 1D flattened and normalized
371     if norm_data_flat.ndim > 1:
372         norm_data_flat = norm_data_flat.flatten()
373     norm_data_flat = norm_data_flat / np.linalg.norm(
374         norm_data_flat)
375
376     # Compute FFT
377     fft_result = np.fft.fft(norm_data_flat)
378
379     # Squared magnitudes (analogous to QFT measurement
380     probabilities)
381     probs = np.abs(fft_result)**2
382
383     # Sort and print top states for analysis
384     print(f"\n=== Classical FFT: {title} ===")
385     indices = np.argsort(probs)[::-1] # Descending order
386     print("Top 5 dominant frequency components:")
387     for i in indices[:5]:
388         print(f"    Index {i} (|{{:04b}}>.format(i)): {probs[i]:.4f
389             }")
390
391     # Plot bar chart (linear or log scale)
392     fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 6))
393     ax.bar(range(len(probs)), probs)
394     ax.set_xlabel("Frequency Index (0 to 15)")
395     ax.set_ylabel("Probability (Squared Magnitude)")
396     ax.set_title(f"Classical FFT Spectrum - {title}")
397     if log_scale:
398         ax.set_yscale('log')
399         ax.set_ylim(bottom=1e-10)
400     plt.show()
401
402     return probs
403
404 # Prepare flattened normalized data for each case
405 # Note: We flatten here to match the quantum amplitude encoding
406     (1D over 16 elements)

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403
404 # Clean
405 clean_flat = patch_array.flatten().astype(float)
406 clean_norm_flat = clean_flat / np.linalg.norm(clean_flat)
407 clean_classical_probs = classical_fft_analysis(clean_norm_flat, "
    Clean Image")
408
409 # Gaussian Noise
410 gauss_flat = gaussian_img.flatten().astype(float)
411 gauss_norm_flat = gauss_flat / np.linalg.norm(gauss_flat)
412 gauss_classical_probs = classical_fft_analysis(gauss_norm_flat, "
    Gaussian Noisy Image")
413
414 # Salt-and-Pepper Noise
415 sp_flat = sp_img.flatten().astype(float)
416 sp_norm_flat = sp_flat / np.linalg.norm(sp_flat)
417 sp_classical_probs = classical_fft_analysis(sp_norm_flat, "Salt-
    and-Pepper Noisy Image")
418
419 # === Side-by-Side Comparison Plots (Classical Spectra) ===
420 fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize=(18, 6))
421 probs_list = [clean_classical_probs, gauss_classical_probs,
    sp_classical_probs]
422 titles = ["Clean Image FFT", "Gaussian Noise FFT", "Salt-and-
    Pepper Noise FFT"]
423
424 for ax, probs, title in zip(axes, probs_list, titles):
425     ax.bar(range(len(probs)), probs)
426     ax.set_yscale('log')
427     ax.set_ylim(bottom=1e-10)
428     ax.set_xlabel("Frequency Index")
429     ax.set_ylabel("Probability (log scale)")
430     ax.set_title(title)
431
432 plt.suptitle("Classical FFT Spectra Comparison (Log Scale)",
    fontsize=16, y=1.02)
433 plt.tight_layout()
434 plt.show()
435
436
437 #!pip install qiskit qiskit-aer --quiet

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438
439 import numpy as np
440 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
441 from qiskit.visualization import plot_histogram
442
443 # Step 1: Get quantum probabilities from counts (normalize to
      probs)
444 def get_probs_from_counts(counts, shots=10000):
445     probs = {k: v / shots for k, v in counts.items()}
446     # Ensure all 16 states are present (fill missing with 0)
447     all_states = [format(i, '04b') for i in range(16)]
448     for state in all_states:
449         if state not in probs:
450             probs[state] = 0
451     return probs
452
453 # Assuming you have counts_clean, counts_gauss, counts_sp from
      your code
454 quantum_clean_probs = get_probs_from_counts(counts_clean)
455 quantum_gauss_probs = get_probs_from_counts(counts_gauss)
456 quantum_sp_probs = get_probs_from_counts(counts_sp)
457
458 # Step 2: Get classical probabilities (from your FFT code)
459 # Replace these with your actual probs arrays (16 elements each,
      normalized to sum=1)
460 # From your output: For clean, probs[0] = 15.9793 / 16
      0.9987, etc. Fill in full array if needed.
461 # Here's approximate based on your top values (fill zeros for
      others for demo)
462
463 classical_clean_probs = np.zeros(16)
464 classical_clean_probs[0] = 15.9793 / 16
465 classical_clean_probs[8] = 0.0064 / 16
466 classical_clean_probs[4] = 0.0031 / 16
467 classical_clean_probs[12] = 0.0031 / 16
468 classical_clean_probs[1] = 0.0025 / 16
469 # Add others if you have full data; sum should 1
470
471 classical_gauss_probs = np.zeros(16)
472 classical_gauss_probs[0] = 15.9185 / 16
473 classical_gauss_probs[12] = 0.0140 / 16

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474 classical_gauss_probs[4] = 0.0140 / 16
475 classical_gauss_probs[15] = 0.0080 / 16
476 classical_gauss_probs[1] = 0.0080 / 16
477 # Fill rest
478
479 classical_sp_probs = np.zeros(16)
480 classical_sp_probs[0] = 8.9251 / 16
481 classical_sp_probs[14] = 1.2605 / 16
482 classical_sp_probs[2] = 1.2605 / 16
483 classical_sp_probs[13] = 1.0663 / 16
484 classical_sp_probs[3] = 1.0663 / 16
485 # Fill rest
486
487 # Step 3: Function to plot overlay for one case
488 def plot_overlay(quantum_probs, classical_probs, title):
489     # States as x-axis (0 to 15, binary labels)
490     states = list(quantum_probs.keys()) # '0000' to '1111'
491     indices = [int(s, 2) for s in states] # 0 to 15
492     q_values = [quantum_probs[s] for s in states]
493     c_values = classical_probs # Already 0-15 order
494
495     fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 6))
496     width = 0.35 # Bar width
497     ax.bar(np.array(indices) - width/2, q_values, width, label='
        Quantum (QFT, 10k shots)', alpha=0.7)
498     ax.bar(np.array(indices) + width/2, c_values, width, label='
        Classical (FFT, exact)', alpha=0.7)
499
500     ax.set_yscale('log')
501     ax.set_ylim(1e-6, 1) # Adjust based on your data
502     ax.set_xlabel('Frequency Index (Binary State)')
503     ax.set_ylabel('Probability (Log Scale)')
504     ax.set_title(title)
505     ax.set_xticks(indices)
506     ax.set_xticklabels(states, rotation=90)
507     ax.legend()
508     plt.tight_layout()
509     plt.show()
510
511 # Generate individual overlays

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512 plot_overlay(quantum_clean_probs, classical_clean_probs, 'Clean
    Image: Quantum vs Classical')
513 plot_overlay(quantum_gauss_probs, classical_gauss_probs, '
    Gaussian Noise: Quantum vs Classical')
514 plot_overlay(quantum_sp_probs, classical_sp_probs, 'Salt-and-
    Pepper Noise: Quantum vs Classical')
515
516 # Optional: Combined figure with 3 subplots
517 fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 3, figsize=(18, 6))
518 titles = ['Clean', 'Gaussian Noise', 'Salt-and-Pepper Noise']
519 q_probs_list = [quantum_clean_probs, quantum_gauss_probs,
    quantum_sp_probs]
520 c_probs_list = [classical_clean_probs, classical_gauss_probs,
    classical_sp_probs]
521
522 for ax, q_probs, c_probs, title in zip(axes, q_probs_list,
    c_probs_list, titles):
523     states = list(q_probs.keys())
524     indices = [int(s, 2) for s in states]
525     q_values = [q_probs[s] for s in states]
526
527     width = 0.35
528     ax.bar(np.array(indices) - width/2, q_values, width, label='
        Quantum', alpha=0.7)
529     ax.bar(np.array(indices) + width/2, c_probs, width, label='
        Classical', alpha=0.7)
530
531     ax.set_yscale('log')
532     ax.set_ylim(1e-6, 1)
533     ax.set_title(title)
534     ax.set_xlabel('Freq Index')
535     ax.set_xticks(indices[::2]) # Sparse labels to avoid clutter
536     ax.set_xticklabels(states[::2], rotation=45)
537     if ax == axes[0]:
538         ax.set_ylabel('Prob (Log)')
539         ax.legend()
540
541 plt.suptitle('Quantum vs Classical FFT Spectra Comparison (Log
    Scale)')
542 plt.tight_layout()
543 plt.show()

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