Deep Learning for Computer Vision

Image Sampling and Interpolation

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- Image convolution needs $O(N^2 \cdot k^2)$ time, where $N \times N$ is image size, and $k \times k$ is kernel size
- By performing convolution in Fourier domain, cost is: $O(N^2)$ for a single pass over the image + cost of FFT: $O(N^2 \log N^2)$ for the image and $O(k^2 \log k^2)$ for the kernel $\approx O(N^2 \log N^2 + k^2 \log k^2)$, in total (other terms additive)

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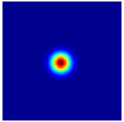

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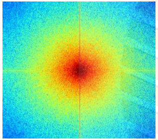

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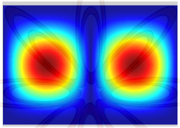

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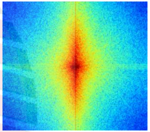

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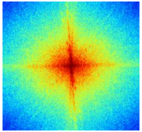

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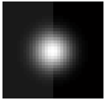

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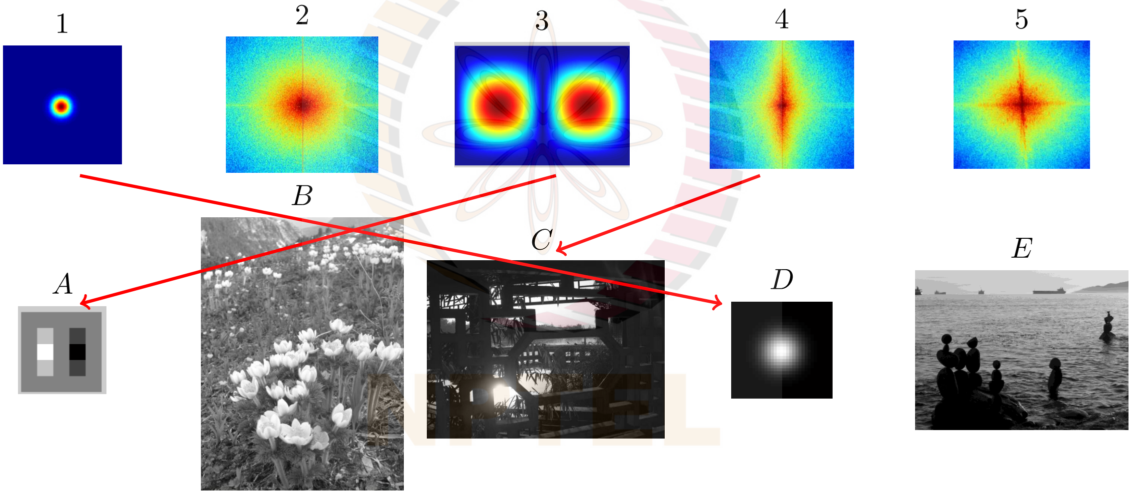

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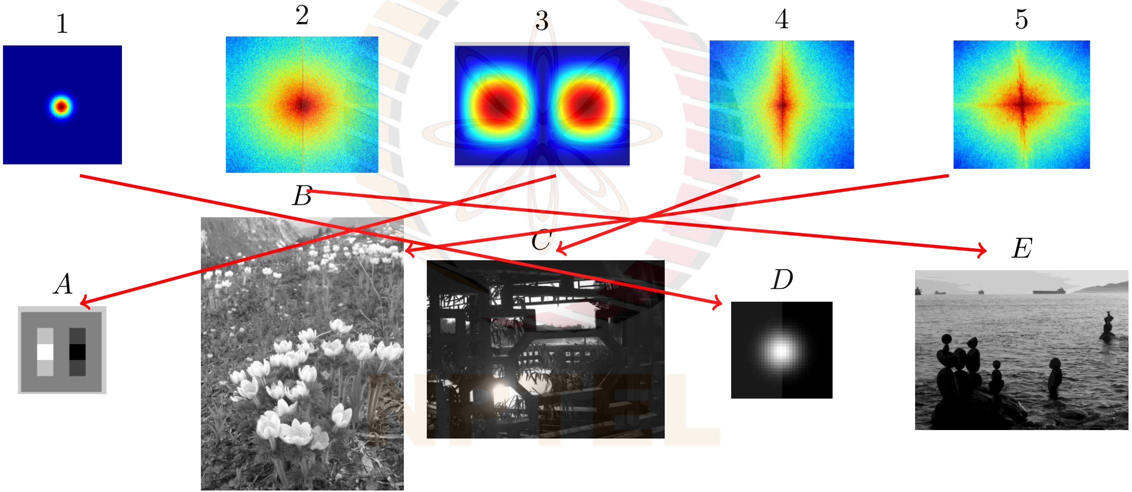

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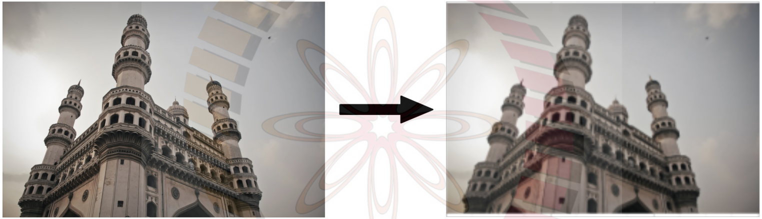

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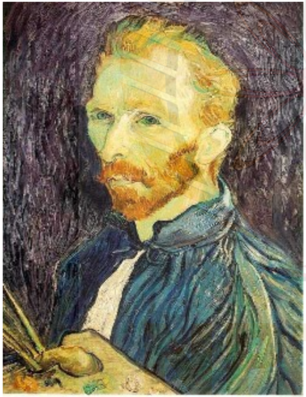

1/4

1/8

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Sub-sampling

Why does this look so crufty?

1/2   1/4 (2x zoom)   1/8 (4x zoom)

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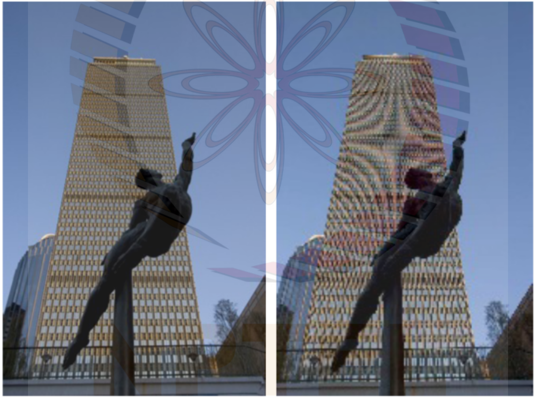
What's happening?



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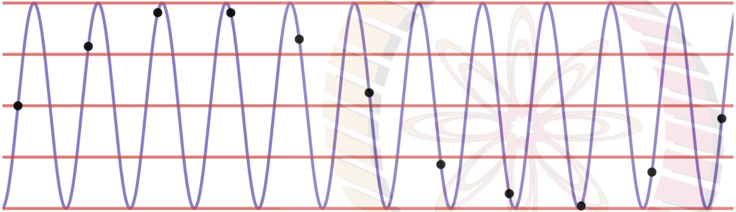

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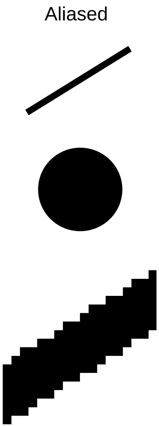

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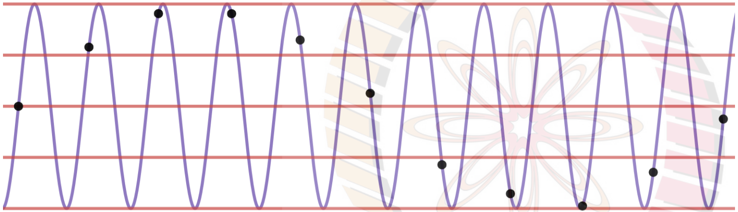

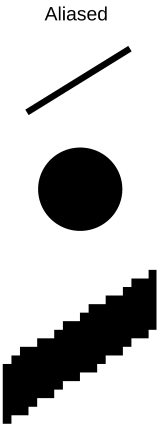

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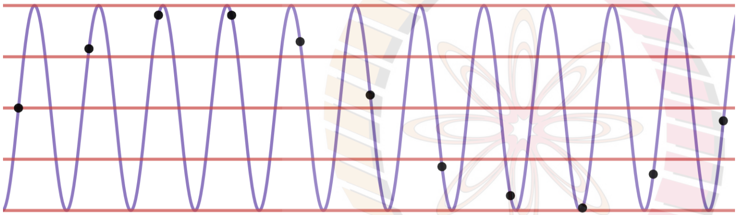

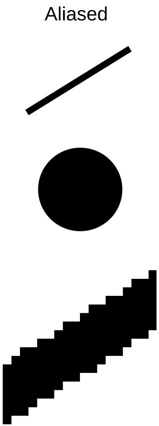

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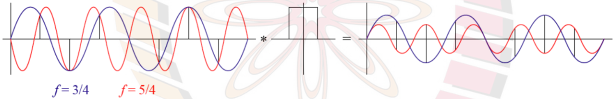

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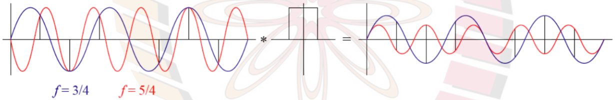

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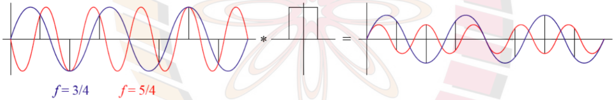

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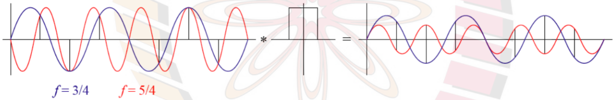

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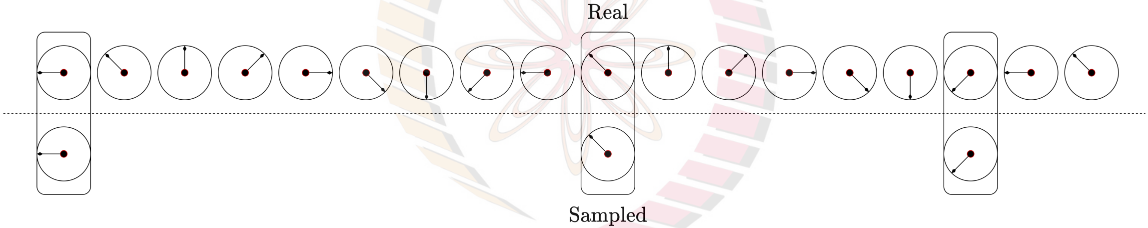

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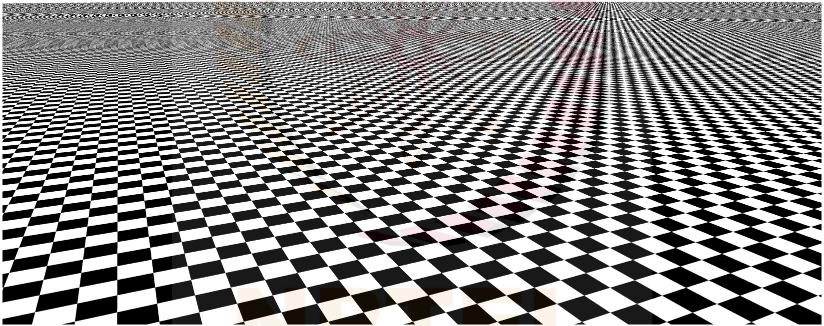

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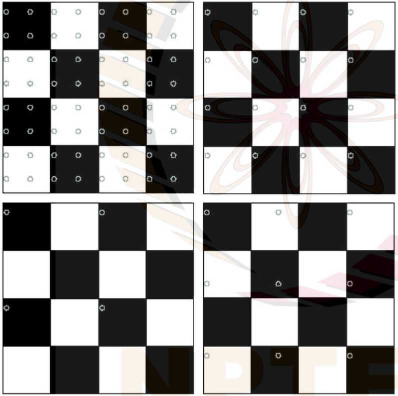
Aliasing: Nyquist Limit 2D example



Good sampling

Bad sampling

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Anti-aliasing

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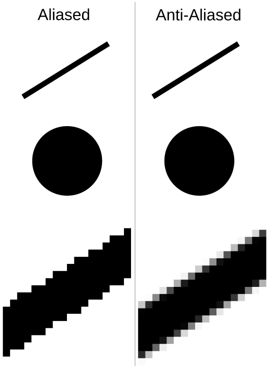
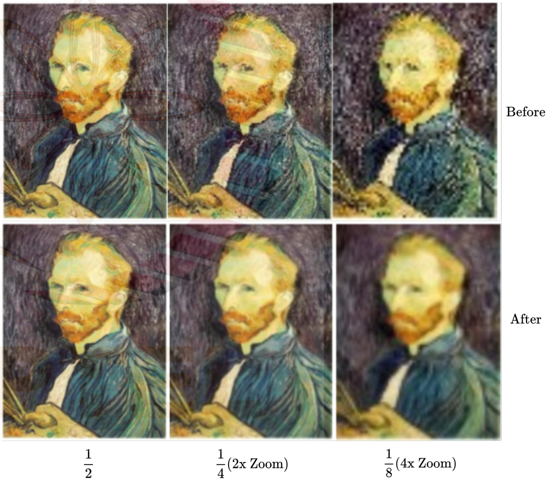
Example: Gaussian Pre-filtering





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Subsampling with Gaussian Pre-filtering

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Upsampling

x $10x$

How to go from left to right? **Interpolation**. Simple method: Repeat each row and column 10 times (Nearest Neighbour Interpolation).

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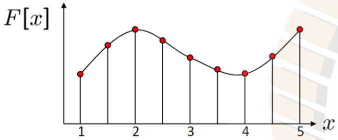

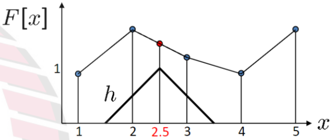

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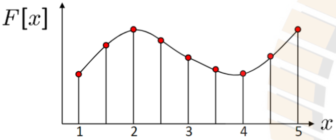

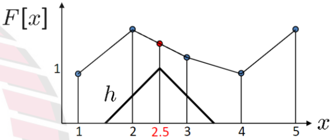

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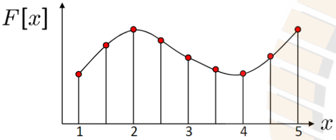

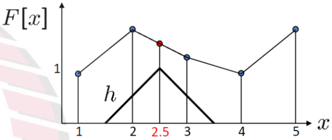

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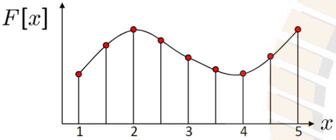

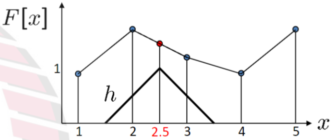

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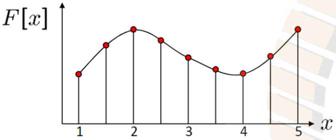

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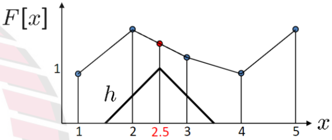

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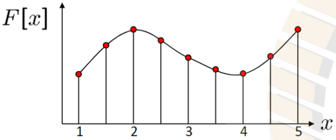

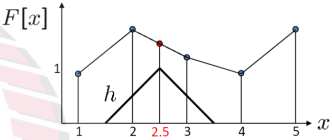

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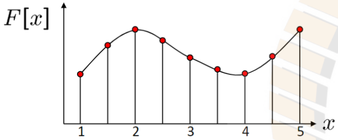

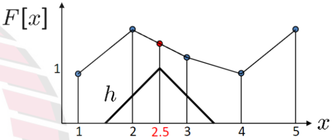

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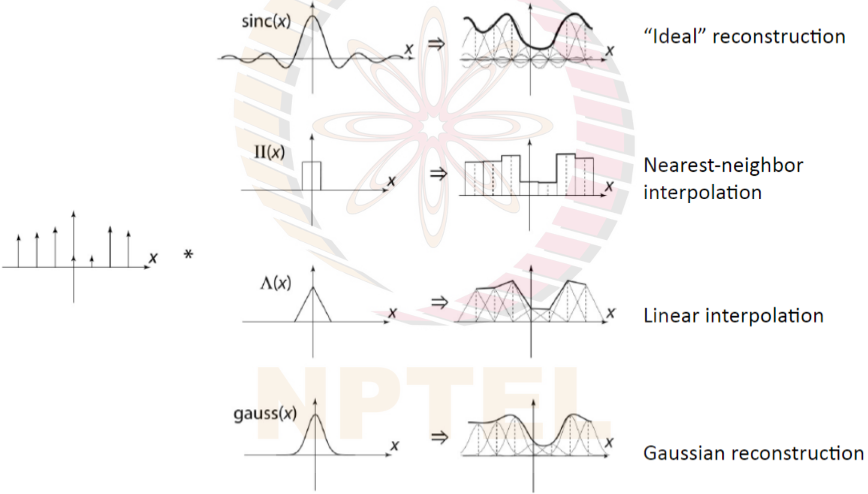

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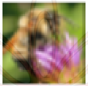

Upsampled Images:

Left to right: Nearest Neighbour Interpolation, Bilinear Interpolation, Bicubic Interpolation.

Interpolation and Decimation

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Decimation (Sub-sampling)

To **decimate** (or sub-sample) an image to a lower resolution, we need an **decimation kernel** with which to convolve the image (r is downsampling rate):

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Homework

Readings

- Chapter 3 (§3.5.1-3.5.2), Szeliski, *Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications*
- Chapter 7 (§7.4), Forsyth and Ponce, *Computer Vision: A Modern Approach*