

### Problem 3 Overview D:

The “one-round simple raster” method to compress 2D photos using Haar wavelets

#### 1) How to read in photos in matlab

Suppose you were given a jpg or tiff that contained 16 x 16 pixels (ie.  $2^n \times 2^n$  photo sizes):



Figure 1: A 16 x 16 pixel photo name “squiggle.tif.” This is an 8-bit black + white image

Since the image is 8-bit black + white, the grayscale for each pixel are initially “0” for black and “255” for white. In this exercise, we would like to invert the tone:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Black} = 0 = 2^0 - 1 \\ \text{White} = 255 = 2^8 - 1 \end{array} \right. \xrightarrow{\text{We will change this to:}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{Black} = 255 \\ \text{White} = 0 \end{array} \right.$$

To read this image into matlab, you can use the *imread* function. Assuming “squiggle.tif” was already in your working matlab directory, you would type the following to load the file, change the precision of our data for processing, and then, invert the black / white tone:

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my_filename = {'squiggle'
               };

number_of_bits = 8; % -- Definition !

% -- Initialize variable
A = [ ];

% -- Load image
A = imread(char(my_filename(1)), 'tiff');

% -- Since the direct read from a TIFF file is a 16-bit unsigned integer
% (uint16), you need to convert to floating decimals

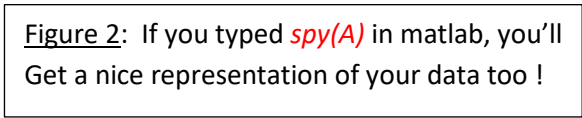
A = single(A);

% ////////////////////////////////// Un-normalized bits option //////////////////////////////////
% -- Was:           Black = 0,  White = 255
% we want:         Black = 255, White = 0;... and that's it !

A = abs(A - (2^number_of_bits - 1));
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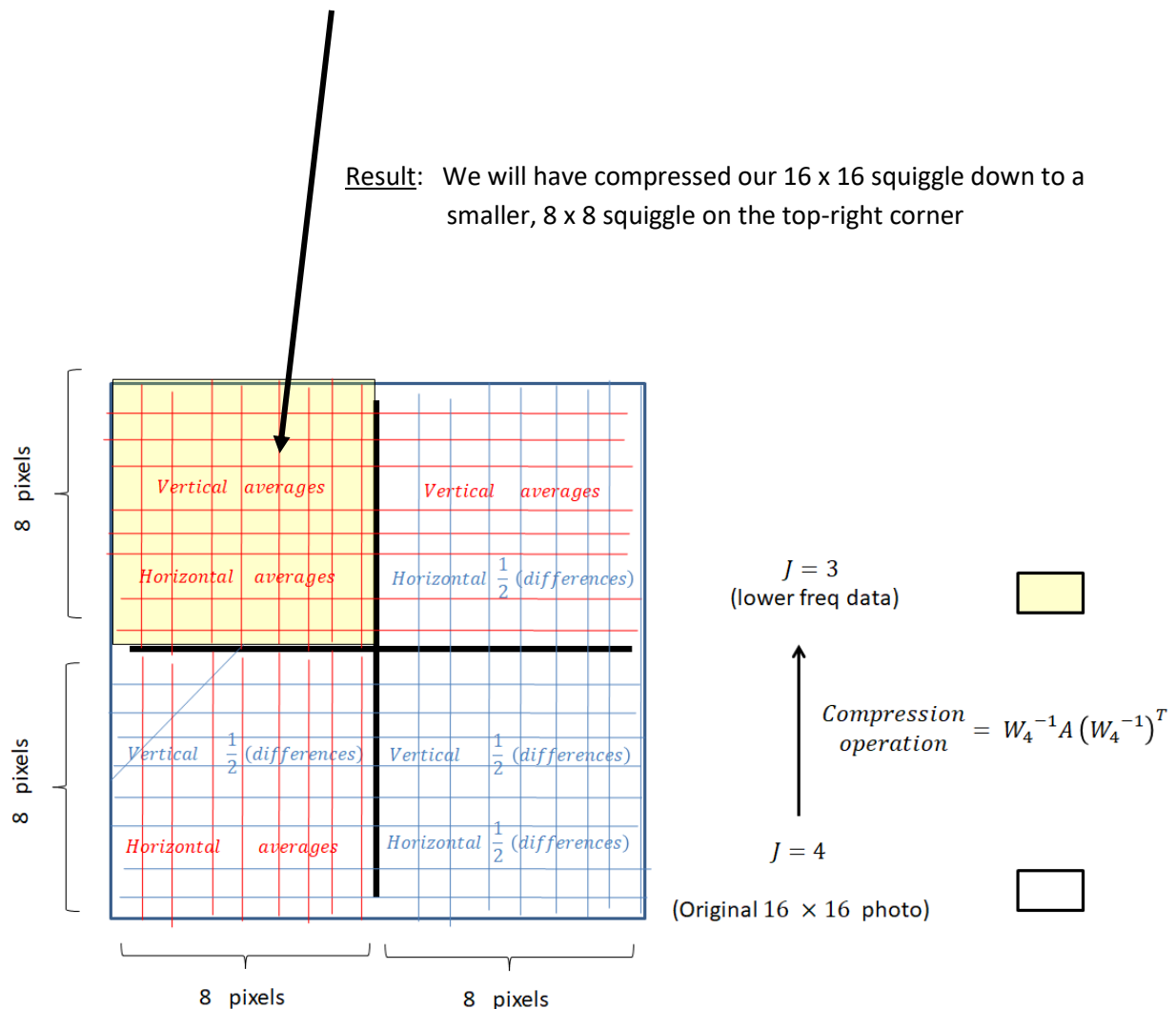
*A*

$$=$$


## 2) The game plan: One round “simple” raster in the vertical / horizontal axes

To perform one round ( $J = 4$  to 3) of image compression for a  $16 \times 16$  photo array called “squiggle,” we will:

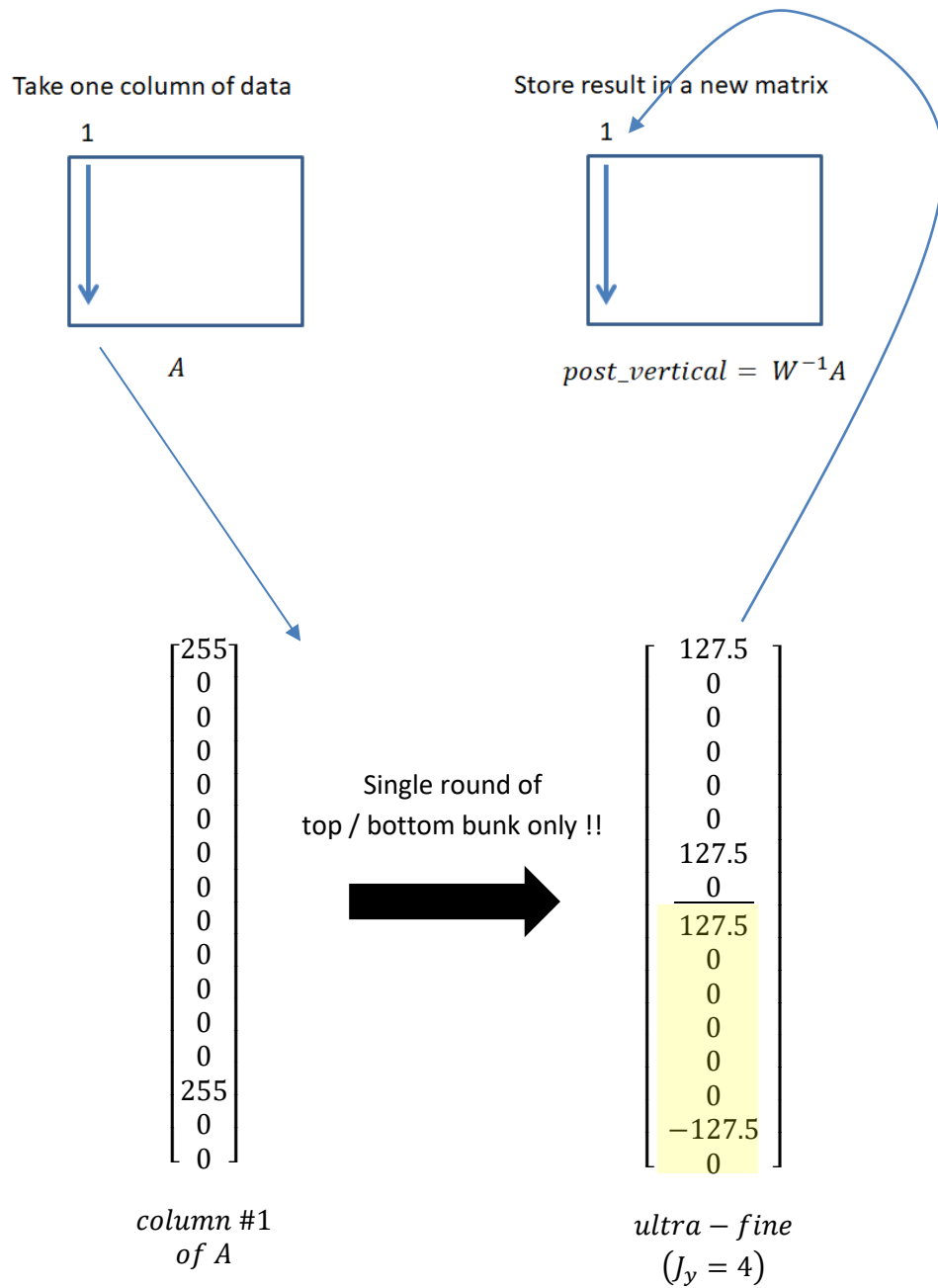
- Column rastering (taking successive avg and  $\frac{1}{2}$  differences from each column vector), then
- Row rastering of the resulting data matrix



**Figure 1:** The 2D wavelet transform: First, we transform the columns of  $A$ , and then, the rows of the resulting matrix experiences another transform. The final result is that all *non-upper-left* quadrants in each  $J$  – *scale* are the 2D wavelet coefficients.

## 2A) “One simple round” of column rastering of our 2D image data

Let’s apply the butterfly diagram to column #1 of our photo matrix A. For visual aid, we’ll color-code the 4 groups of wavelet coefficients:



You would repeat the same operation for all columns ! When you're done, you'll get a set of "vertically-decomposed" wavelet coefficient matrix that's denoted by  $W_4^{-1}A$ .

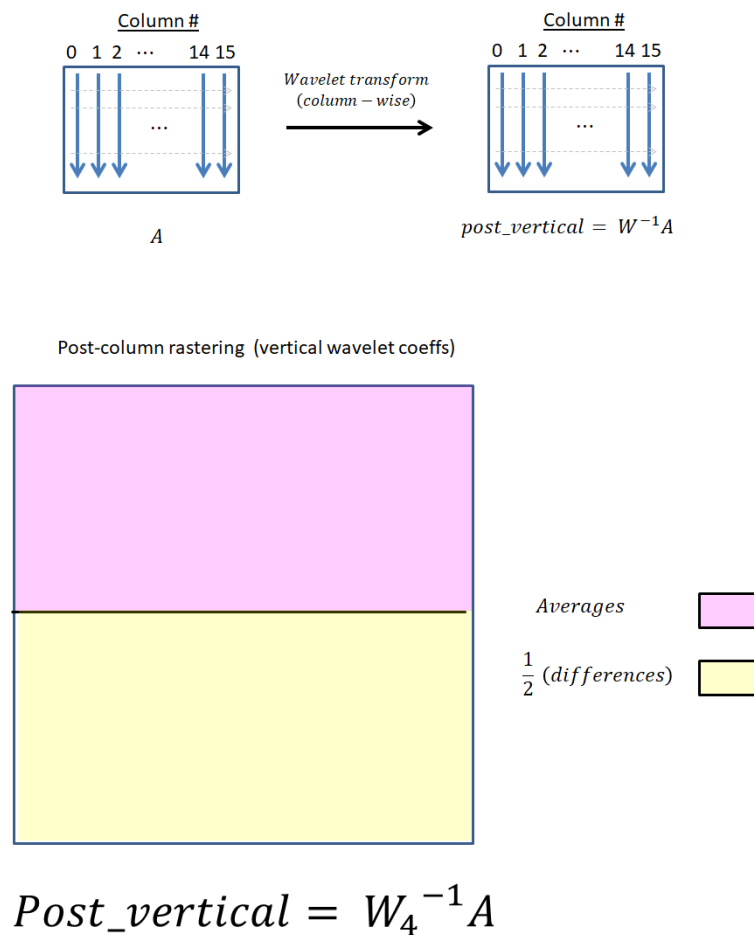


Figure 2: For a "one round raster" process, we first column-raster all columns of data.... but when we do, we will restrict ourselves to performing one top-bunk / bottom-bunk operation !

## Single vertical raster details

Starting with the  $16 \times 16$  matrix  $A$ , we can perform top & bottom-bunk operations on the columns of  $A$ :

$$\text{Transforming columns of } A = W_4^{-1} A = \left[ \begin{array}{c} \text{Perform your high - school} \\ \text{average and difference} \\ \text{transformations on each} \\ \text{columns of } A \end{array} \right]$$

After column-rastering your photo, you'll get:

Vertical averages	$W^{-1}A =$														
	127.5	127.5	255	127.5	127.5	127.5	255					255	127.5	127.5	255
			255	127.5			255					255			
			255		127.5	127.5	255					255			255
			255				255	127.5				255			255
			255				255		127.5	127.5		255			255
			255				255					255	127.5	127.5	255
		127.5	127.5	127.5				255				255			255
Vertical ½ (diff)	127.5	-127.5		127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5					
				-127.5								127.5	127.5		
					127.5	-127.5									
							-127.5		127.5	-127.5					-127.5
	127.5	127.5	127.5				127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5			-127.5	

## 2B) “One simple round” of row rastering of our 2D image data

Next, we would take the previous result and do 1 round of row-rastering on it. From the last overview file, you know that this is equivalent to:

- 1) Take the previous matrix and take the transpose of it
- 2) Then, perform 1 round of column rastering again (which is equivalent to row rastering !)
- 3) Then, transpose the final results back to obtain the final product !

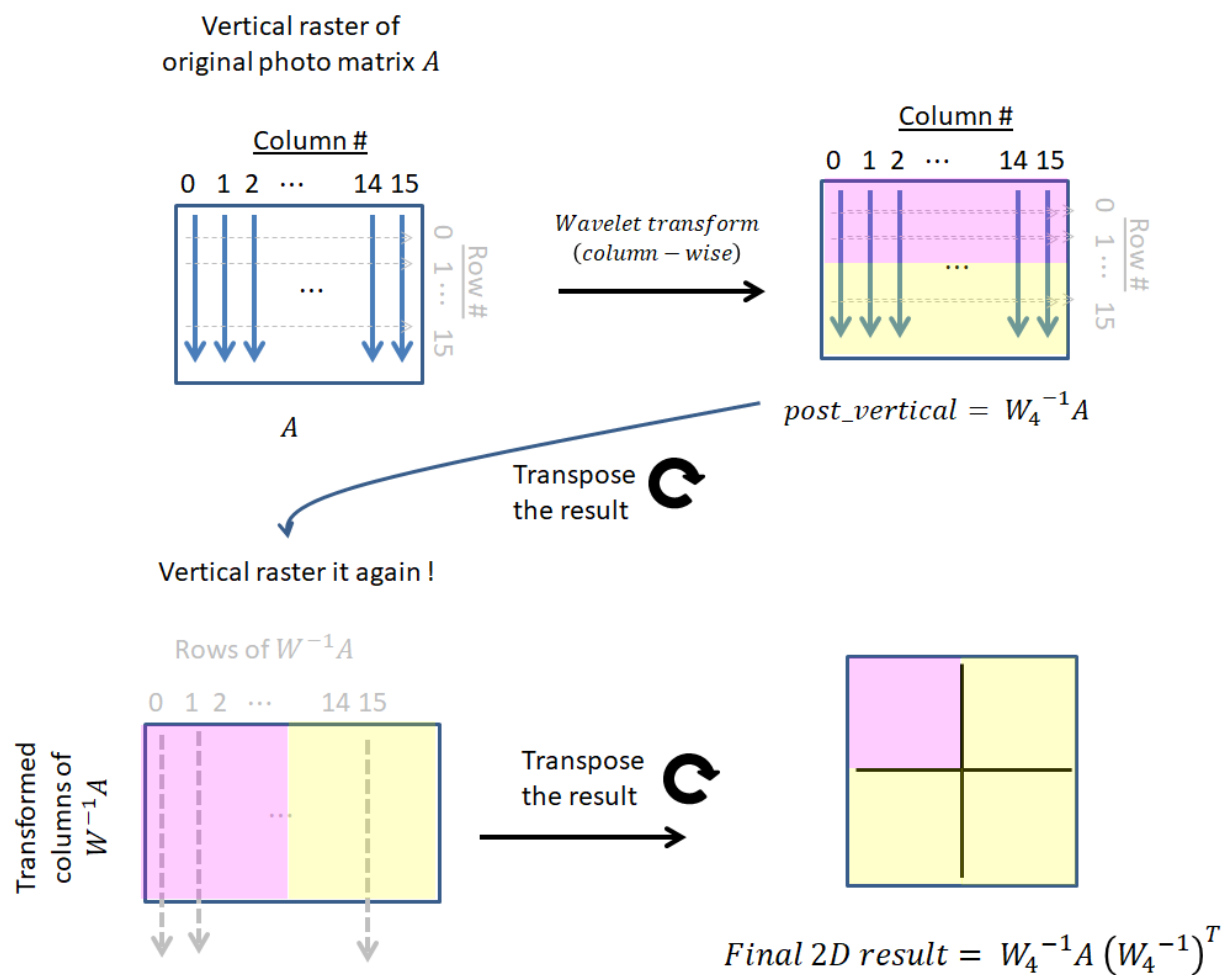


Figure 2: The complete algorithm for one round of vertical + horizontal rastering of a  $16 \times 16$  squiggle photo. The end result will be a  $8 \times 8$  smaller squiggle photo on the upper-left hand corner of the matrix, and this corresponds to one complete round of wavelet compression from  $J = 4$  to  $J = 3$ .

## Single horizontal raster details (after the vertical raster step)

Starting with the post-vertically-rastered photo, we can perform top & bottom-bunk operations on the rows of  $A$ . Mathematically, this is equivalent to a right-hand matrix multiplication by  $(W_4^{-1})^T$ :

$$\text{Transforming rows of previous result} = B = W_4^{-1} A (W_4^{-1})^T$$

Again, to do this, we shall

- 1) Transpose the previous matrix
- 2) Perform the same “vertical raster” operation
- 3) Transpose the result again.... this will return our image to the original orientation !

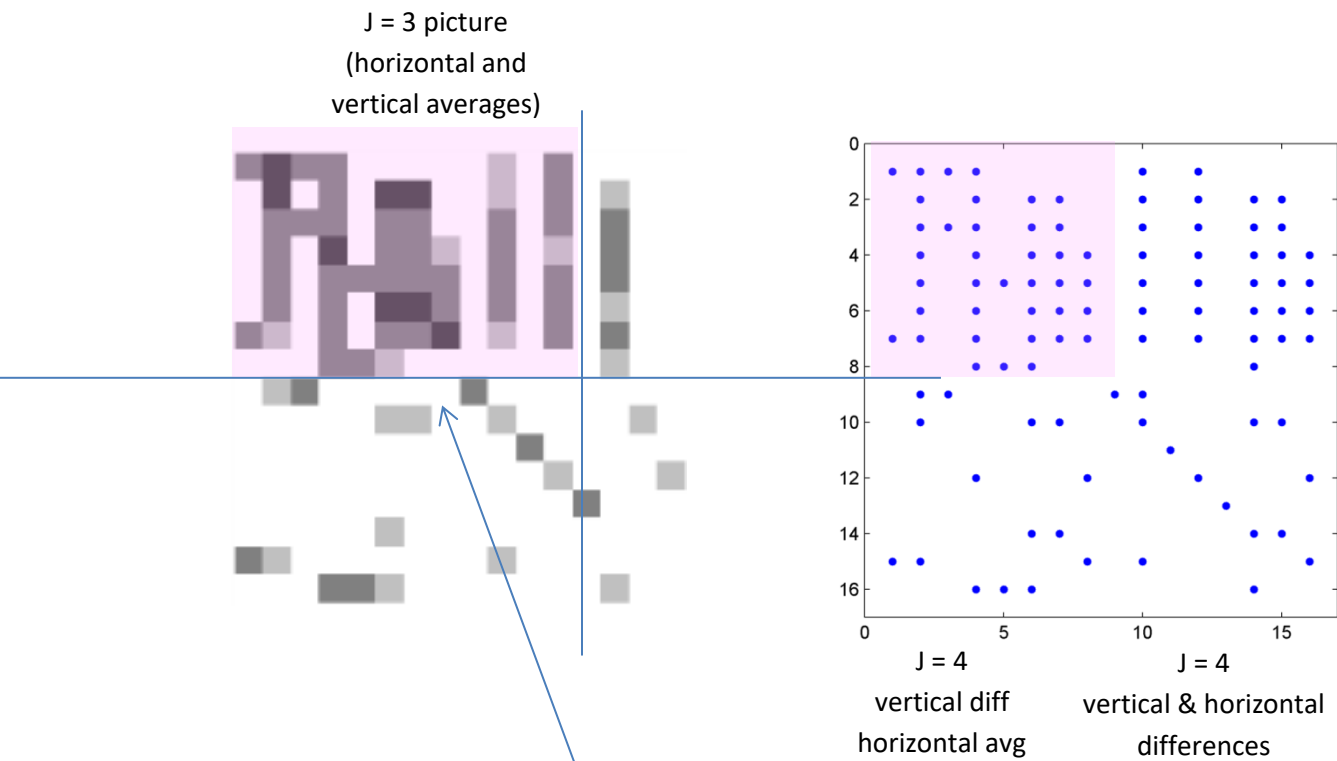
Hey.... this means we could use our algorithm and rewrite an equivalent matrix operation as:

$$\text{Transforming rows of previous result} = B = (W_4^{-1} (W_4^{-1} A)^T)^T$$

In the end, here's what you should get ! =)

Vertical & horizontal averages							Vertica avg horizontal diff			
127.5	191.25	127.5	127.5		191.25	191.25	63.75	127.5		
	191.25		127.5				63.75	127.5	63.75	-63.75
	127.5	127.5	127.5		127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	-127.5
	127.5		191.25		127.5	127.5	63.75	127.5	-127.5	-63.75
	127.5		127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	127.5	-127.5	-127.5
	127.5		127.5		191.25	191.25	127.5	127.5	63.75	-63.75
127.5	63.75		127.5		127.5	127.5	191.25	127.5	-127.5	-63.75
			127.5	127.5	63.75					
	63.75	127.5					127.5	-63.75		
	-63.75				63.75	63.75		63.75	-63.75	63.75
				-63.75				127.5	63.75	
								63.75		63.75
					63.75	-63.75			-63.75	-63.75
127.5	63.75							63.75		-63.75
			127.5	127.5	63.75				63.75	
Vertical differences Horizontal averages							Vertical and horizontal differences			





**Figure 3:** The compressed data can be found in the  $J = 3$  low-frequency quadrant that's shaded in magenta. The left plot is the *imshow* plot of the resulting  $B = \left( W_4^{-1} (W_4^{-1} A)^T \right)^T$  matrix, whereas the right plot is the spy plot of the same thing.

### Data Compression:

Our low-frequency  $J = 3$  data sort of looks like our original squiggle, albeit with:

- Loss of details, but...
- It's only  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the size of the original squiggle !

You can convert matrix  $B = \left( W_4^{-1} (W_4^{-1} A)^T \right)^T$  as a black & white and plot the result with these commands:

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my_black = 255;
my_white = 0;

J4grayscale = mat2gray(B, [my_black, my_white]);

figure
J4Horizontalgrayscale_plohandle = imshow(J4grayscale);
title('Post column and row-rastered squiggle (J = 3 on top left corner)')
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