

Fast Fourier Transform

$$F(\mu, v) = \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} f(x, y) e^{-i2\pi(\mu x/M + vy/N)}, \quad \mu = 0, 1, 2, \dots, M-1 \text{ and } v = 0, 1, 2, \dots, N$$

Brute force Time = $\mathcal{O}((MN)^2)$

17 trillion calculations for a 2048×2048 image.

Using FFT, Time = $\mathcal{O}(MN \log_2(MN))$

17 trillion calculations reduces to 92 million calculations for the same 2048×2048 image.

FFT of one variable

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{M-1} f(x) (W_M)^{ux}$$

where,

$$W_M = e^{-i2\pi/M}$$

and M is assumed of the form

$$M = 2^p$$

which can be expressed as

$$M = 2K$$

Now, on substituting,

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{2K-1} f(x) (W_{2K})^{ux}$$

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{K-1} f(2x) (W_{2K})^{u(2x)} + \sum_{x=0}^{K-1} f(2x+1) (W_{2K})^{u(2x+1)}$$

Now, $(W_{2K})^{2ux} = (W_K)^{ux}$

$$F(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{K-1} f(2x) (W_K)^{ux} + \sum_{x=0}^{K-1} f(2x+1) (W_K)^{ux} (W_{2K})^u$$

Defining

$$F_{\text{even}}(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{K-1} f(2x) (W_K)^{ux}$$

and

$$F_{\text{odd}}(u) = \sum_{x=0}^{K-1} f(2x+1) (W_K)^{ux}$$

Now,

$$F(u) = F_{\text{even}}(u) + F_{\text{odd}}(u)(W_{2K})^u$$

Also, because $-(W_{2K})^u = (W_{2K})^{u+K}$

$$F(u + K) = F_{\text{even}}(u) - F_{\text{odd}}(u)(W_{2K})^u$$

Computations

Let $m(p)$ and $a(p)$ be number of complex multiplications and additions, respectively.

then,

$$m(p) = 2m(p-1) + 2^{p-1}$$

and

$$a(p) = 2a(p-1) + 2^p$$

By substitution method, ($a(0) = 0$ and $m(0) = 0$)

$$m(p) = \frac{1}{2} M \log_2 M$$

$$a(n) = M \log_2 M$$