

FUN with Fourier transforms



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The **Fourier transform** decomposes a *function of time (a signal)* into the *frequencies* that make it up, in a way similar to how a *musical chord* can be expressed as the amplitude (or loudness) of its constituent notes.*

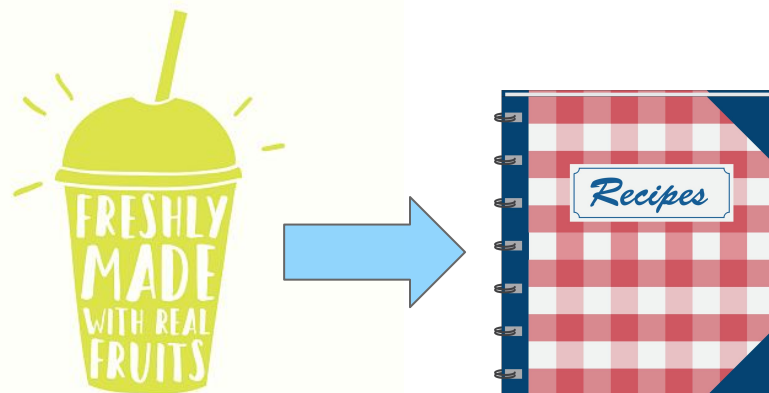
Generalities

- ▷ Implementation of the solution is in **Python**.
- ▷ Using **NumPy** and **SciPy** modules.
- ▷ Anaconda package (not obligatory).



Fourier transform ver.1

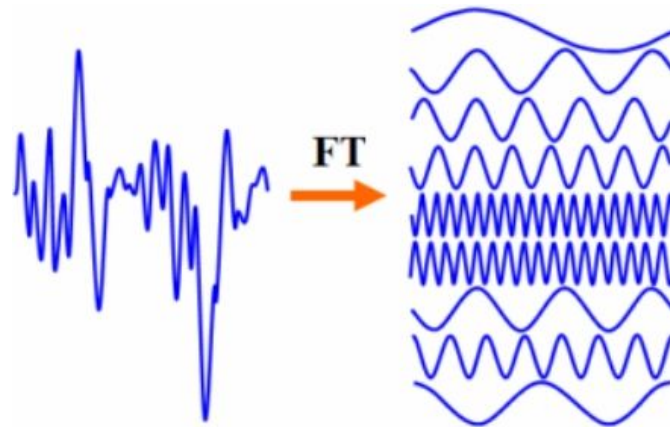
- ▷ **What does the Fourier Transform do?** Given a smoothie, it finds **the recipe**.
- ▷ **How?** Run the smoothie through **filters** to extract each ingredient.
- ▷ **Why?** Recipes are **easier to analyze**, compare, and modify than the smoothie itself.
- ▷ **How do we get the smoothie back?** **Blend** the ingredients!



Fourier transform ver.2

- ▷ Here's the "**math**" version of the previous slide:

The Fourier Transform takes a **time-based pattern**, measures every possible **cycle**, and returns the overall "**cycle recipe**" (the amplitude, offset, rotation speed for every cycle that was found).



Task 1

Task 1.1: warm-up

▷ Why?

- ▷ Getting familiar with simple intensity images.

▷ How?

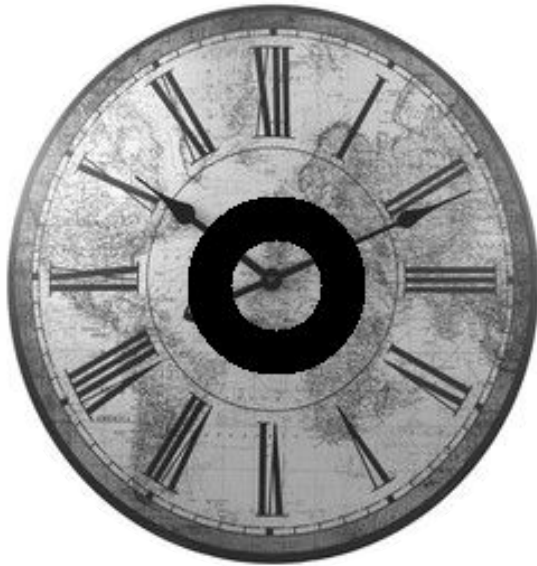
- ▷ Reading an **intensity image** into a 2-dimensional array.
- ▷ Calculate the **width** and **height** of the image.
- ▷ Calculate the **euclidean distance** of each pixel from the centre.
- ▷ Suppress all the **pixels** whose distance is greater than an arbitrary **R min** and less than **R max**.

A Python Code Sample

```
res = np.array([[0 if r_min <= np.linalg.norm([x-(h/2.0), y-(w/2.0)])  
<= r_max else img[x, y] for y in range(w)]\for x in range(h)], dtype=np.uint8)
```

Task 1.1: warm-up

▷ Results



$R_{\min} = 20$, $R_{\max} = 40$



$R_{\min} = 20$, $R_{\max} = 80$

- ▷ We learnt how to work with digital images like reading, writing and selecting individual pixels

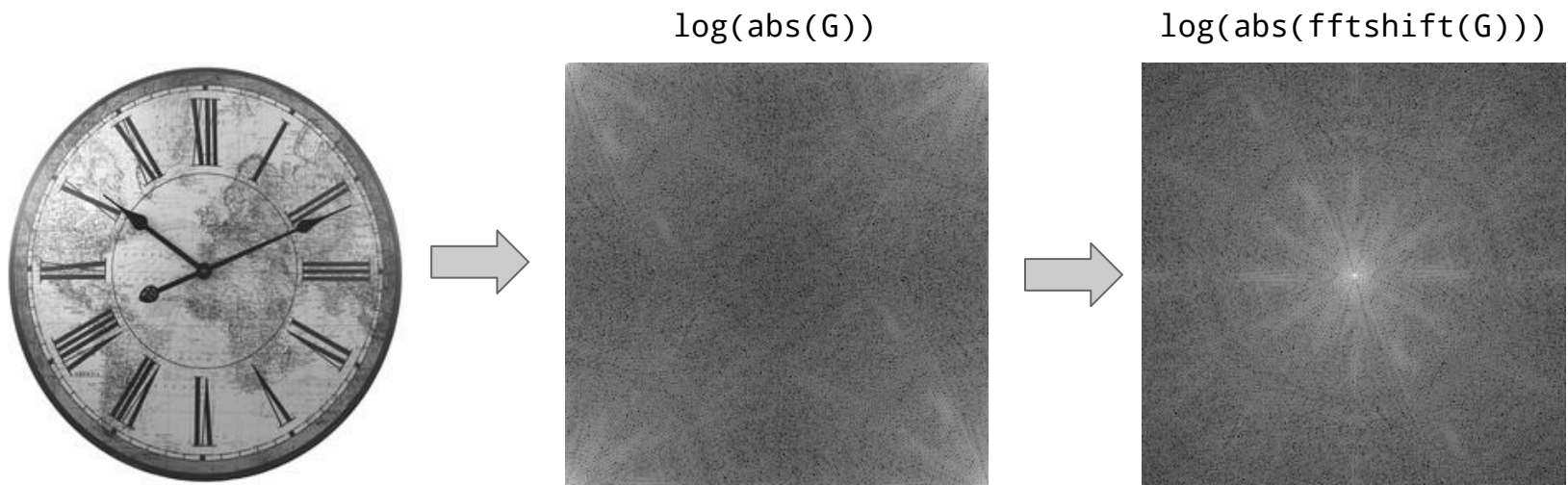
Task 3

Task 1.3: Implementing a band pass filter

▷ **Why?** Implementing a band pass filter

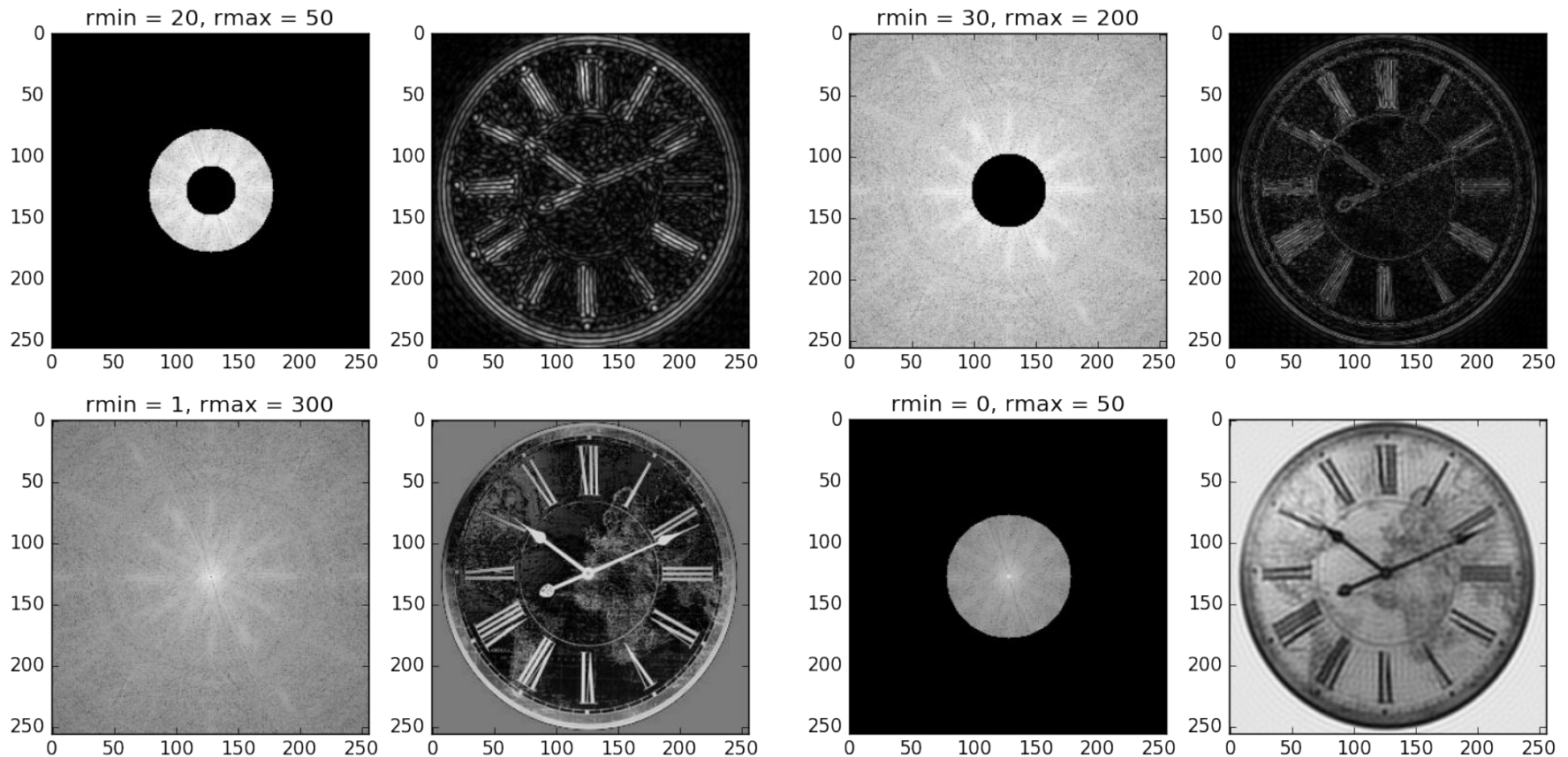
▷ **How?**

- ▷ Perform **Fourier transform** on the images.
- ▷ Shift the **zero-frequency** spectrum to the center.
- ▷ The **pixels** which are closer to the center than **rmin** and further than **rmax** are set to 0. Thus, suppressed.



Task 1.3: Implementing a band pass filter

▷ Results



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▷ Results

- ▷ The **lower frequencies** contain 'more important' details about the image.
- ▷ Removing zero frequency changes image **drastically**.
- ▷ Removing some of the highest frequencies reduces some **edge sharpness**, but their effects aren't as visible until many of them are removed.

Task 4

Task 1.4: exploring the importance of phase

▷ Why?

- ▷ Exploring the importance of phase.

▷ How?

- ▷ Calculate **Fourier transforms** G and H of images $g(x,y)$ and $h(x,y)$.
- ▷ Calculate the **Magnitude** of G by taking the absolute of every pixel in G .
- ▷ Calculate the **Phase** of H by calculating the angle between imaginary and real parts of H .
- ▷ Recalculate **Real** and **Imaginary** components and apply **IFFT**.

Task 1.4: exploring the importance of phase

building.png



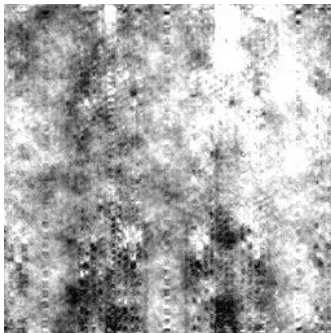
clock.png



lena.png



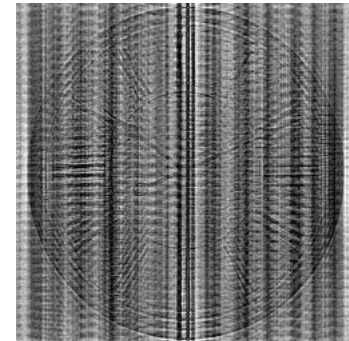
Phase of 'building.png' and
magnitude of 'clock.png'.



Phase of 'lena.png' and
magnitude of 'clock.png'.



Phase of 'clock.png' and
magnitude of 'building.png'.



Task 1.4: exploring the importance of phase

▷ Results

- ▷ The **phase component** influences the reconstructed image more than the magnitude component does.
- ▷ The **magnitude component** is similar for most of the natural occurring images but phase component varies a lot.
- ▷ Image features are related with the **phase component**.
- ▷ Thus **phase component** is more important while reconstructing the images.

Conclusion

- ▷ Implementation...
- ▷ Using **NumPy** and **SciPy** modules helped to..

Thanks!

Any questions?