

EE 5561: Image Processing and Applications

Lecture 8

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Recap of Last Lecture

- Linear algebra review
 - Vector spaces, bases
 - Norms, inner products
 - Matrix representation of linear transformations
 - Matrix transpose/Hermitian, inverse, null space, range space, rank
 - Diagonal, symmetric, unitary, circulant matrices; diagonalization
 - Least squares
- Today
 - Use linear algebra to derive a new transform (wavelets)
 - Energy compaction + another transform (DCT)
 - Random vectors review

Wavelets

- Yet another linear transform
 - Leads to good “energy compaction” for images
 - i.e. good compressibility
- We will do this using linear algebra
 - We will do Haar wavelets
 - Now how it is normally derived
 - Deeper theory: EE 5551

Wavelets

- Start with a simple averaging filter

$$\mathbf{h} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{h} * \mathbf{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{2}x_n + \frac{1}{2}x_{n-1} = y_n$$

- Write this as a matrix

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \cdots \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

- Invertible?
 - No, we only have the average

Wavelets

- But if we also have convolution with

$$\mathbf{g} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & -\frac{1}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{z} = \mathbf{g} * \mathbf{x} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{1}{2}x_n - \frac{1}{2}x_{n-1} = z_n$$

then the whole system is invertible

since we have

$$\begin{aligned} x_n &= y_n + z_n \\ x_{n-1} &= y_n - z_n \end{aligned} \quad \text{or} \quad x_{n-1} = y_{n-1} + z_{n-1}$$

- In matrix form

$$\mathbf{G} = \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \cdots \\ & & \ddots & & \end{bmatrix}$$

Wavelets

- Overall system becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H} \\ \mathbf{G} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{z} \end{bmatrix}$$

- How do we get \mathbf{x} back?
 - Going with the first approach from earlier

$$x_1 = y_2 - z_2$$

$$x_2 = y_2 + z_2$$

$$x_3 = y_4 - z_4$$

$$x_4 = y_4 + z_4$$

Only need two rows

i.e. we don't need $y_1, z_1, y_3, z_3, \dots$

Wavelets

- So we can truncate the matrix by “downsampling”

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}}_N = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \dots \\ & & \ddots & & \\ -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & -\frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & \dots \\ & & \ddots & & \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_D \\ \mathbf{G}_D \end{bmatrix}$$

- Note

$$\tilde{\mathbf{W}}_N^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & & -1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & -1 & \dots \\ 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 1 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \end{bmatrix}$$

Note $\tilde{\mathbf{W}}_N^H = \frac{1}{2} \tilde{\mathbf{W}}_N^{-1}$

i.e. “almost” unitary/orthogonal

Wavelets

- Thus if we set $\mathbf{W}_N = \sqrt{2}\tilde{\mathbf{W}}_N$, it'll be unitary
- Corresponding filter is

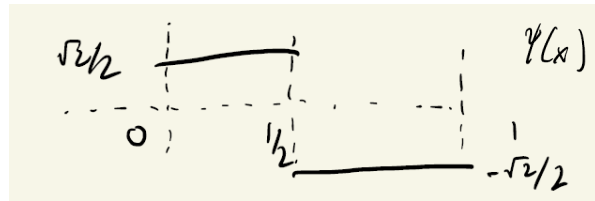
$$\mathbf{h} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$H(w) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}e^{iw} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{aligned} H(\pi) &= 0 \\ H(0) &= \sqrt{2} \end{aligned}$$

← Low-pass as expected

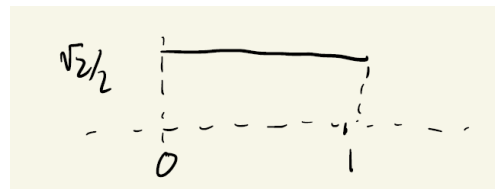
Wavelets

- Wavelet \leftrightarrow “wave-like” oscillation
~integrate to zero
- Wavelets are usually derived in continuous-space first (like we did in Fourier analysis)
 - In this case the Haar wavelet in continuous space is



(this is **g** in discrete-space)

- And the other function (Haar scaling function) is



(this is **h** in discrete-space)

Haar Wavelet

– **X**: $N \times N$ image

- We apply \mathbf{W}_N to row & columns, i.e.

$$\mathbf{W}_N \mathbf{X} \mathbf{W}_N^T$$

or

$$\mathcal{W}\{\text{vec}(\mathbf{X})\}$$

linear operator

- Application

$$\mathbf{W}_N \mathbf{X} \mathbf{W}_N^T = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{H}_D \mathbf{X} \mathbf{H}_D^T & \mathbf{H}_D \mathbf{X} \mathbf{G}_D^T \\ \mathbf{G}_D \mathbf{X} \mathbf{H}_D^T & \mathbf{G}_D \mathbf{X} \mathbf{G}_D^T \end{bmatrix} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{V} \\ \mathbf{H} & \mathbf{D} \end{bmatrix}$$

Diagram illustrating the application of the Haar wavelet transform to an image \mathbf{X} . The transform is represented by the matrix equation above. The resulting matrix is partitioned into four blocks: \mathbf{B} (blur), \mathbf{V} (vertical), \mathbf{H} (horizontal), and \mathbf{D} (diagonal). Arrows point from the labels to their respective blocks: "blur" points to \mathbf{B} , "vertical" points to \mathbf{V} , "horizontal" points to \mathbf{H} , and "diagonal" points to \mathbf{D} .

Haar Wavelet

x



$w_N x$



Haar Wavelet

X



$W_N X$



window-leveled
to show details

Haar Wavelet

X



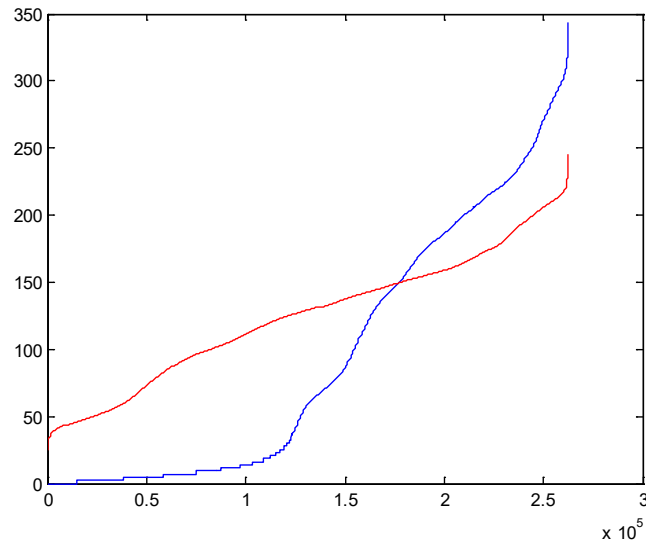
$W_N X W_N^T$



Haar Wavelet

– Energy Compaction

- Idea: Few of the wavelet coefficients capture most of the energy of the image
- In Fourier domain, we saw that the central frequencies contain most of the energy
- But those frequencies do not contain sharp image structures
- Wavelets offer an alternative



Energy “compaction”:
sorted (abs value) image (red) vs. wavelet (blue)
coefficients across the image

Not really “very” compact here...

Haar Wavelet

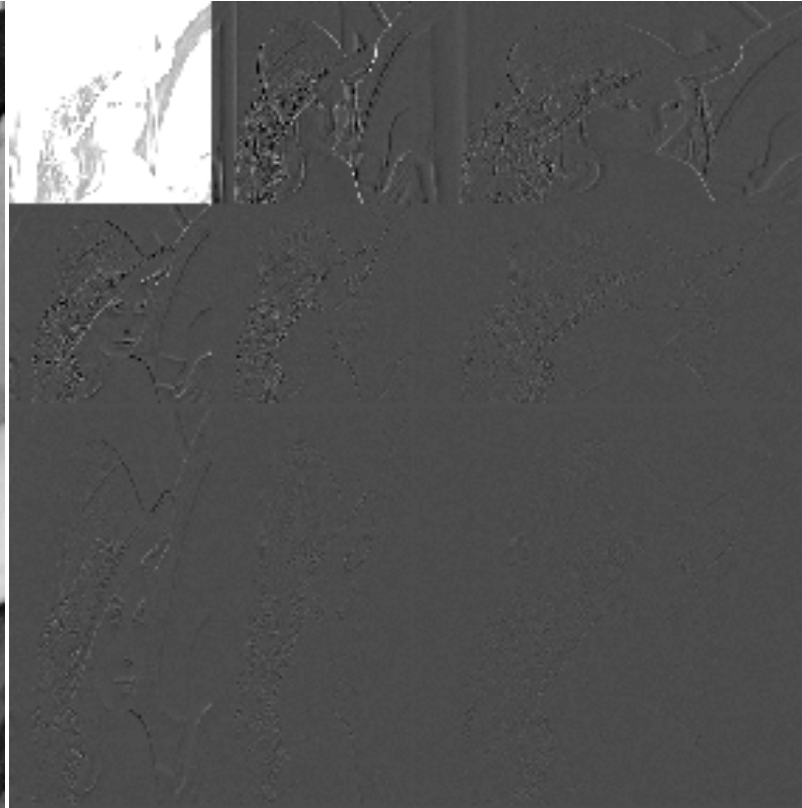
- Energy Compaction
 - How to get more compaction?
 - Iterate! → Extract blur component (averaged image) & compute its wavelet transform

Haar Wavelet

X



2-levels: $\mathbf{W}_N \mathbf{X} \mathbf{W}_N^T$

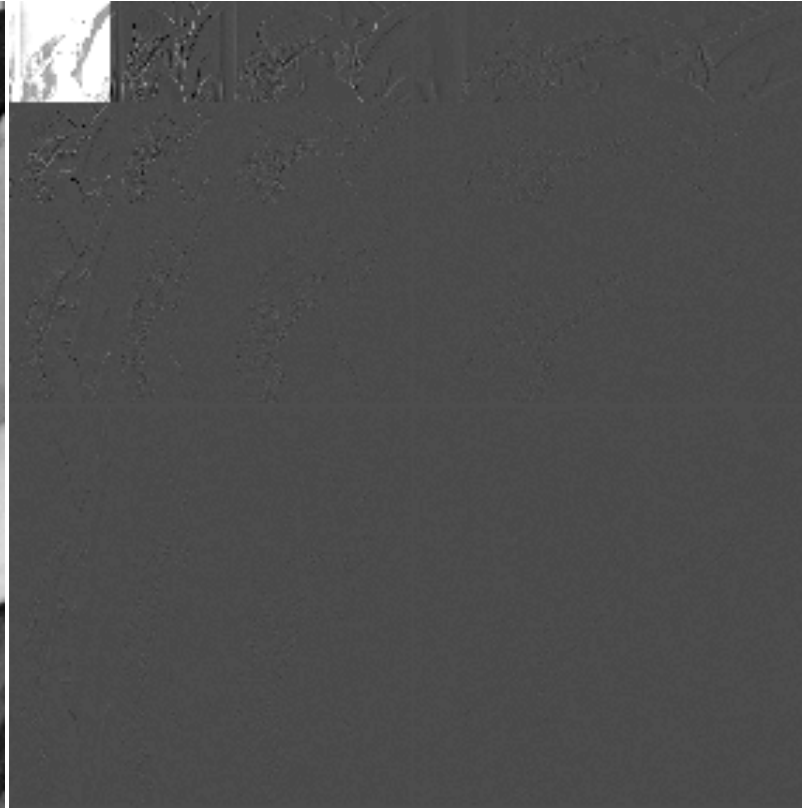


Haar Wavelet

X



3-levels: $\mathbf{W}_N \mathbf{X} \mathbf{W}_N^T$

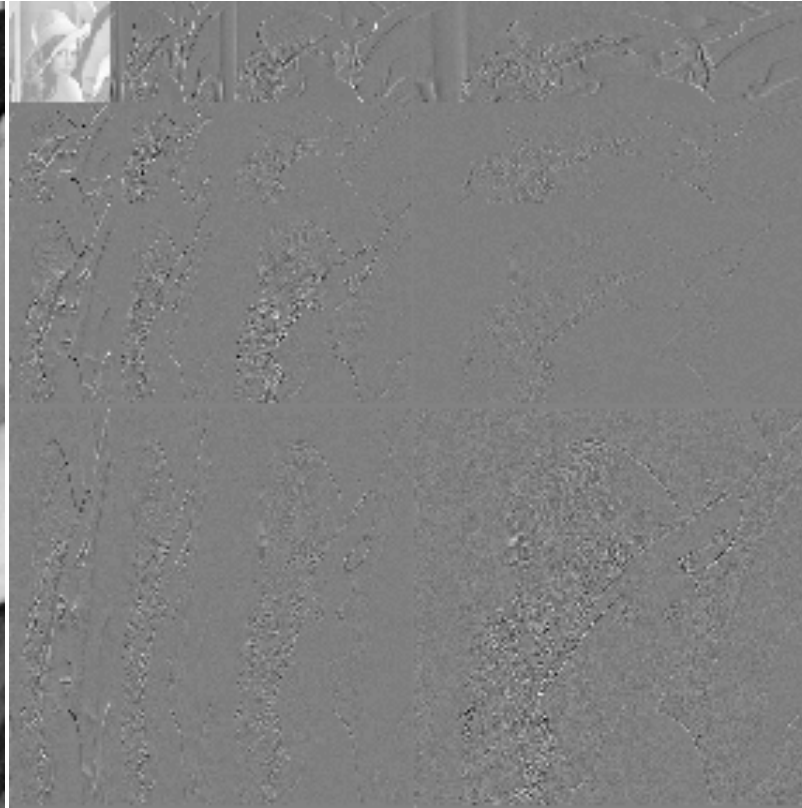


Haar Wavelet

X



3-levels: $\mathbf{W}_N \mathbf{X} \mathbf{W}_N^T$

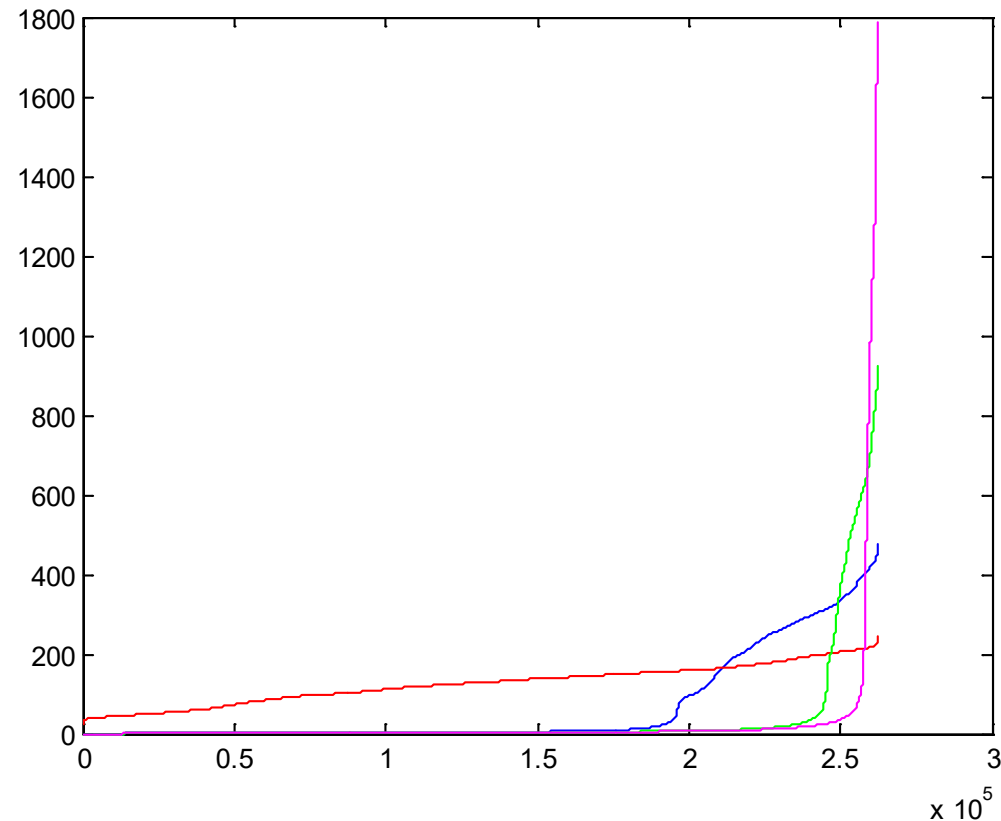


Haar Wavelet

Energy “compaction”:

sorted (abs value) image (red) vs. wavelet

1-level (blue), 2-level (green), 3-level (magenta) coefficients across the image

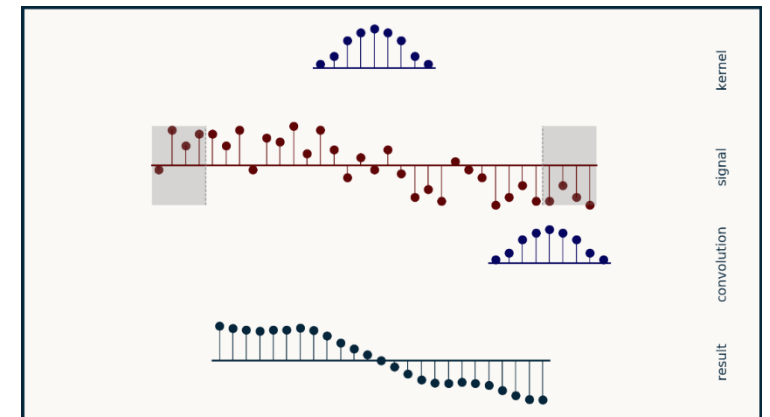
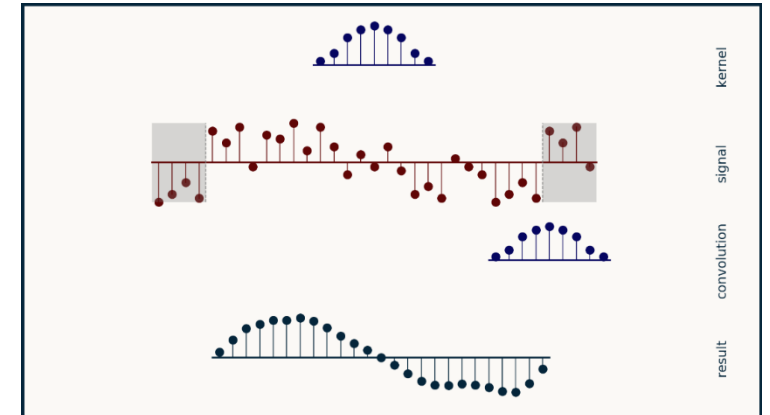


Wavelets

- Energy compaction
 - Wavelets are good
 - Wavelets are used in the JPEG2000 standard for compression
 - But a more complicated wavelet than Haar...
- How to design more complicated wavelets?
 - Vanish more moments
 - i.e. $\int \psi(x)dx = 0$ and $\int x\psi(x)dx = 0$ etc.
 - Fourier analysis can help us:
 - n^{th} moment = 0 \rightarrow n^{th} derivative of FT at $\omega = 0$ is 0
 - Smoother decay from mid-frequencies to 0 in frequency domain
 - Beyond our scope
 - We won't derive them, but we will use them

More Energy Compaction

- We saw energy compaction is important
- Other transforms?
- Recall when we talked about boundaries in convolutions
 - Circular extension
 - Corresponds to what was done in DFT
 - We noted that this creates a sharp transition
 - Mirroring extension was another option
 - Better continuity at the boundary
 - This will be the idea behind our new transform



Discrete Cosine Transform

- Useful for compression
 - Images are real, but DFT is complex \rightarrow not good for storage
 - In image processing, we do a lot of block processing
 - DFT works on periodic extension \rightarrow discontinuities at the border
 - “Slow” decay of coefficients \rightarrow poor energy compaction
 - DCT addresses these concerns
 - Real-valued
 - Eliminates discontinuities at block borders

Discrete Cosine Transform

– Mirror extension example

$$N = 4 \quad x[n] = \{2, 4, 6, 8\}$$

periodic extension would be $\tilde{x}[n] = \{\dots, 2, 4, 6, 8, 2, 4, 6, 8, \dots\}$

Instead consider

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} x[n] & 0 \leq n \leq N - 1 \\ x[2N - 1 - n] & N \leq n \leq 2N - 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

For the example above $y[n] = \{2, 4, 6, 8, 8, 6, 4, 2\}$

Discrete Cosine Transform

- Take $y[n]$ above and compute its DFT

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} x[n] & 0 \leq n \leq N-1 \\ x[2N-1-n] & N \leq n \leq 2N-1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Y[k] &= \sum_{n=0}^{2N-1} y[n] e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{2N} kn} = \sum_{n=0}^{2N-1} y[n] W_{2N}^{kn} \quad \text{where} \quad W_{2N} = e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{2N}} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] W_{2N}^{kn} + \sum_{n=N}^{2N-1} x[2N-1-n] W_{2N}^{kn} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] W_{2N}^{kn} + \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] W_{2N}^{k(2N-1-n)} \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] [W_{2N}^{kn} + W_{2N}^{-kn-k}] \\ &= W_{2N}^{-k/2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \left(W_{2N}^{k(n+\frac{1}{2})} + W_{2N}^{-k(n+\frac{1}{2})} \right) = W_{2N}^{-k/2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] 2 \cos \left(\frac{2\pi k(2n+1)}{4} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Discrete Cosine Transform

- Take $y[n]$ above and compute its DFT

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} x[n] & 0 \leq n \leq N-1 \\ x[2N-1-n] & N \leq n \leq 2N-1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$Y[k] = 2W_{2N}^{-k/2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k(2n+1)}{4}\right)$$

- N point $x[n] \rightarrow 2N$ complex $Y[0], \dots, Y[2N-1]$
- How is this compression?

- Note $Y[N] = \sum_{n=0}^{2N-1} y[n] e^{-i\frac{2\pi}{2N}Nn} = \sum_{n=0}^{2N-1} y[n](-1)^n = 0$ since $y[n]$ is symmetric
- $x[n]$ real $\rightarrow W_{2N}^{k/2} Y[k]$ is real
- $W_{2N}^{(2N-k)/2} Y[2N-k] = W_{2N}^{k/2} Y[k] \rightarrow$ Only need to save half of $Y[k]$

Discrete Cosine Transform

- Take $y[n]$ above and compute its DFT

$$y[n] = \begin{cases} x[n] & 0 \leq n \leq N-1 \\ x[2N-1-n] & N \leq n \leq 2N-1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$Y[k] = 2W_{2N}^{-k/2} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x[n] \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k(2n+1)}{4}\right)$$

- 1D DCT is defined as

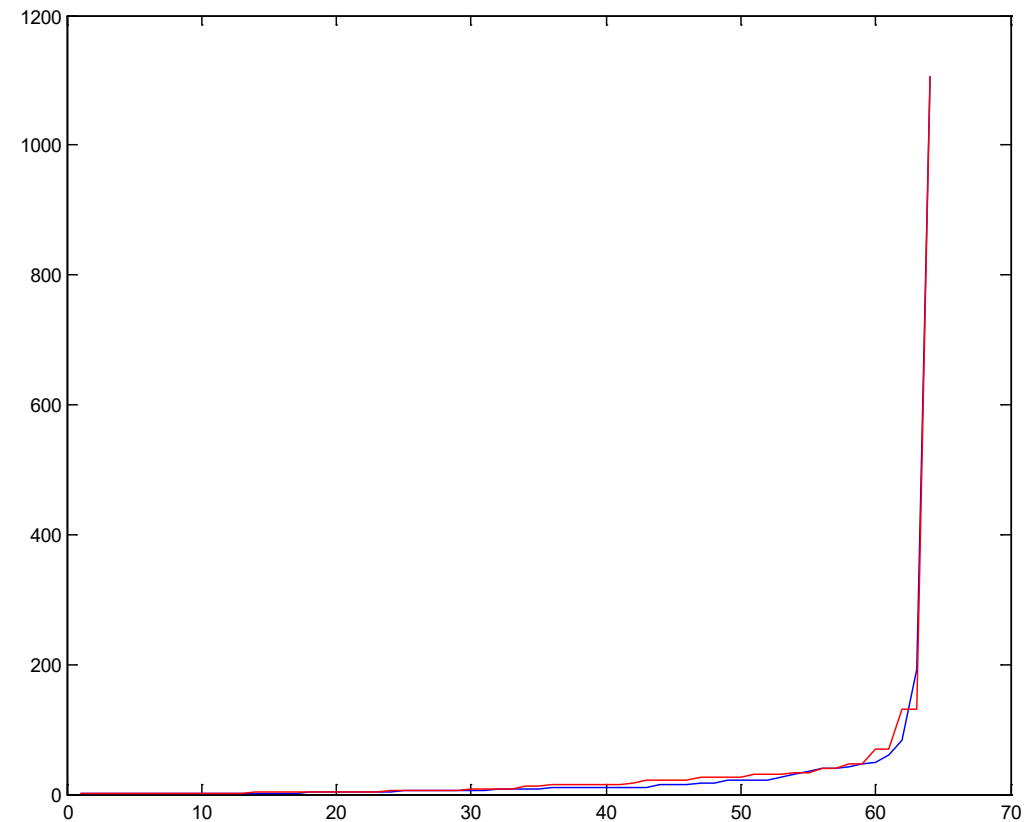
$$C_x[k] = \begin{cases} W_{2N}^{k/2} Y[k] & 0 \leq k \leq N-1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} = \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} 2x[n] \cos\left(\frac{\pi k(2n+1)}{2N}\right) \quad k = 0, \dots, N-1$$

- N-point \rightarrow N-point
- DCT is real if $x[n]$ is real
- DC component $C_x[0] = 2Y[0]$

Discrete Cosine Transform

- 2D DCT is defined analogously with 2D mirroring/symmetrizing extension

Energy “compaction”:
sorted (abs value) DCT (red) vs. DFT (blue)
coefficients in an example 8×8 block



Compression: DCT vs. DFT

Original



Compression with DFT



Compression with DCT



6-fold compression

Compression: DCT vs. Wavelet

Original



Compression with DCT



Compression with Wavelet



Used in **JPEG** standard

Used in **JPEG2000** standard

12-fold compression

Random Variables

- Last bit of math to review before starting image restoration
- Probability space
 1. Sample space, Ω
 2. Set of events, \mathcal{F} (collection of subsets of Ω)
 3. Probability measure, $\mathbb{P} : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$
- Random variable is a mapping from sample space (of a probability space) to real (or complex) numbers (in this course)

$$X : \Omega \rightarrow E$$

Ω has an underlying probability space (with associated \mathbb{P} and \mathcal{F})

E is a measurable space (for us, \mathbb{R} or \mathbb{C})

Random Variables

- Technically, we will consider $\omega \in \Omega$ and evaluate $X(\omega)$
- Thus when we say $\mathbb{P}(X \in B)$ for $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$, we mean

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \in B\}\right)$$

- Hence $\mu(B) = \mathbb{P}(X \in B)$ is a probability measure & called the distribution of X
- Often times the dependence on $\omega \in \Omega$ will be implicit, and dropped in notation
- The distribution can be described by the cumulative distribution function (CDF) for real-valued X

$$F_X(x) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$$

Random Variables

- As we already saw, we often talk about the probability density function (PDF) for continuous random variables (e.g. Gaussian, uniform)

$$f_X(x) = \frac{dF_X(x)}{dx}$$

and probability mass function (PMF) for discrete random variables (e.g. Bernoulli, binomial, Poisson)

$$p_X(k) = \mathbb{P}(X = k)$$

- Examples

- Gaussian PDF $f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$

- Poisson PMF $p_X(k) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}$

Random Variables

– 2nd order properties of random variables

- Mean $\mathbb{E}[X] = \int x f_X(x) dx$

- Expectation of a function of a random variable

$$\mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \int g(x) f_X(x) dx$$

- Variance $\text{Var}\{X\} = \mathbb{E}\left[X - \mathbb{E}[X]\right]^2 = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - \mathbb{E}[X]^2$

- Correlation $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \int \int xy f_{XY}(x, y) dx dy$
joint PDF of X and Y

- Covariance $\text{Cov}\{X, Y\} = \mathbb{E}\left[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])\right]$

Random Vectors

- A finite collection of random variables over a common probability space

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}} = (X_1, \dots, X_n) \quad \text{where each } X_i \text{ is a random variable}$$

- We can define the CDF

$$F_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq x_1, X_2 \leq x_2, \dots, X_n \leq x_n)$$

- Corresponding PDF is

$$f_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x_1 \dots \partial x_n} F_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}(x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

- Similarly

$$\mathbb{P}(\underline{\mathbf{X}} \in B) = \int_B f_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \quad B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$$

Random Vectors

– 2nd order properties

- Mean

$$\mathbb{E}[\underline{\mathbf{X}}] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathbf{x} f_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{E}[X_1] \\ \mathbb{E}[X_2] \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{E}[X_n] \end{bmatrix}$$

- Expectation of a function of a random vector

$$\mathbb{E}[g(\underline{\mathbf{X}})] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(\mathbf{x}) f_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

- $n \times n$ correlation matrix

$$\mathbf{R}_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} = \mathbb{E}[\underline{\mathbf{X}} \underline{\mathbf{X}}^H]$$

$$\text{i.e. } (\mathbf{R}_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}})_{ij} = \mathbb{E}[X_i X_j] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} x_i x_j f_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}(x_1, \dots, x_n) d\mathbf{x}$$

Random Vectors

- 2nd order properties

- $n \times n$ covariance matrix

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{K}_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} &= \text{Cov}\{\underline{\mathbf{X}}\} = \mathbb{E}\left[\left(\underline{\mathbf{X}} - \mathbb{E}[\underline{\mathbf{X}}]\right)\left(\underline{\mathbf{X}} - \mathbb{E}[\underline{\mathbf{X}}]\right)^H\right] \\ &= \mathbf{R}_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}} - \mathbb{E}[\underline{\mathbf{X}}]\mathbb{E}[\underline{\mathbf{X}}]^H\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e. } (\mathbf{K}_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}})_{ij} = \text{Cov}\{X_i, X_j\}$$

Random Vectors

- Example: Gaussian random vector

$$\underline{\mathbf{X}} \sim \mathcal{N}(\underline{\boldsymbol{\mu}}, \mathbf{K})$$

$n \times 1$ mean vector $n \times n$ covariance matrix

$$\underline{\boldsymbol{\mu}} = \mathbb{E}[\underline{\mathbf{X}}]$$
$$\mathbf{K} = \text{Cov}\{\underline{\mathbf{X}}\}$$

PDF is given as

$$f_{\underline{\mathbf{X}}}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^n |\det(\mathbf{K})|}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \underline{\boldsymbol{\mu}})^T \mathbf{K}^{-1}(\mathbf{x} - \underline{\boldsymbol{\mu}})}$$