Notebook1

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1. Brief Overview

sine Transform

- The Discrete cosine transform can represent an image as a sum of sinusoids with frequencies and magnitudes that differ.
- The Cosine transform has the property that most of the important bits of information with an image (or even an audio wave) is concentrated (Notebook 2 will expand on this idea).
- Due to this property, the DCT (or the Modified discrete cosine transofrm) is used to MP3 compression and for JPG compression.

2. The Equation

 The Two dimensional DCT of an M-by-N matrix can be expressed as follows.

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$$C_{pq} = \alpha_p \alpha_q \sum_{m=0}^{M-n} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} A_{mn} \cos \frac{\pi (2m+1)p}{2M} \cos \frac{\pi (2n+1)q}{2N}$$
 where
$$0 \leq p \leq M-1$$

$$0 \leq q \leq N-1$$

$$\alpha_p = \begin{cases} 1/\sqrt{M} & p=0 \\ \sqrt{2/M} & 1 \leq p \leq M-1 \end{cases}$$

$$\alpha_q = \begin{cases} 1/\sqrt{N} & p=0 \\ \sqrt{2/N} & 1 \leq q \leq N-1 \end{cases}$$

• We can note that if we assign p = n and q = n, they both fit the domain of p and q, and I will be using this for the program