

Multiresolution Analysis

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Many signals or images contain information at different **scales** or levels of **detail** (e.g., people vs buildings).

Analyzing information at the same scale will not be effective.



Use windows of
different size
(i.e., varying scale)

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Alternatively, use the same window size but analyze information at different resolutions:

High resolution

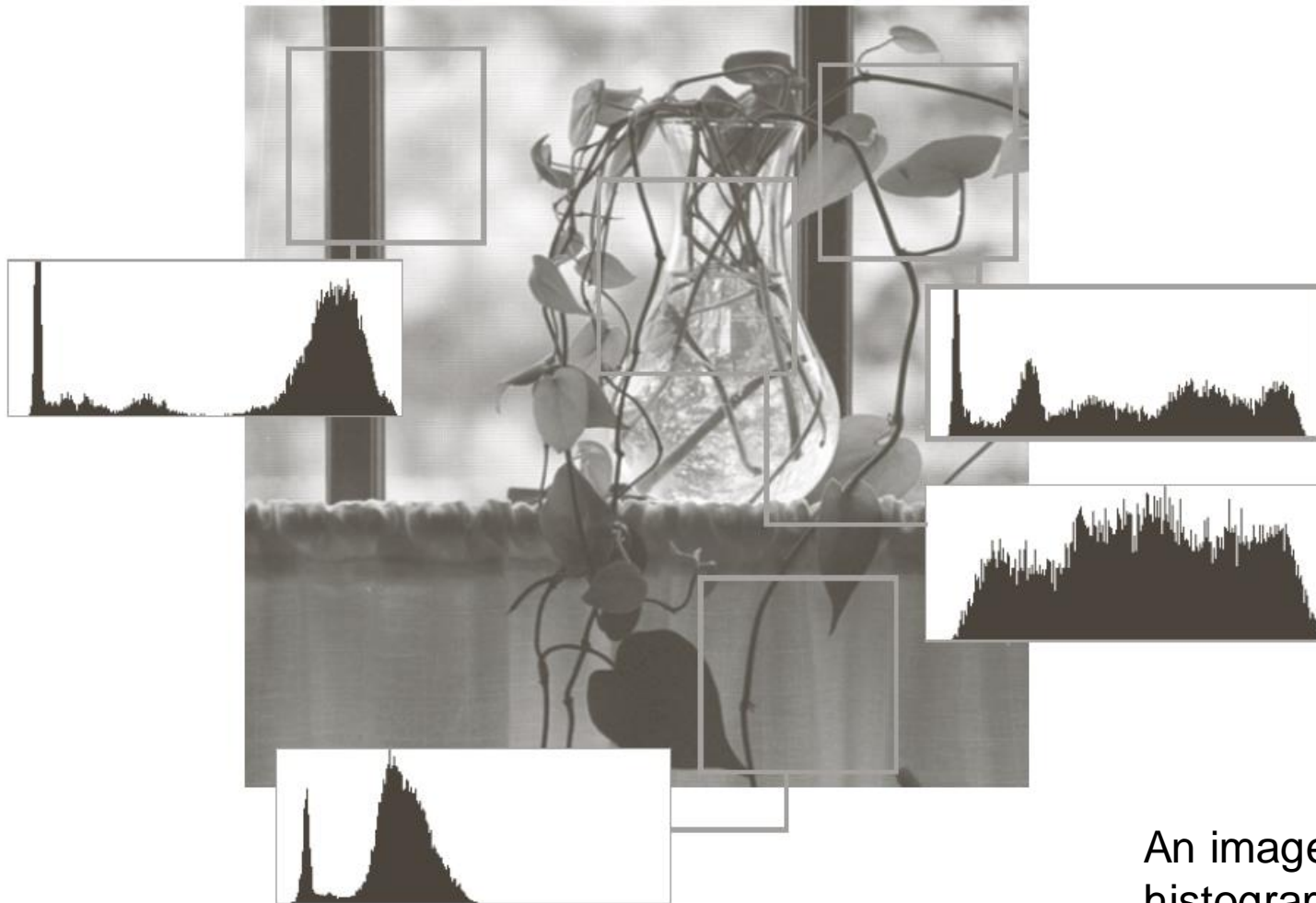


Small size objects should be examined at a high resolution.

Low resolution



Multiresolution Analysis



An image and its local
histogram variations

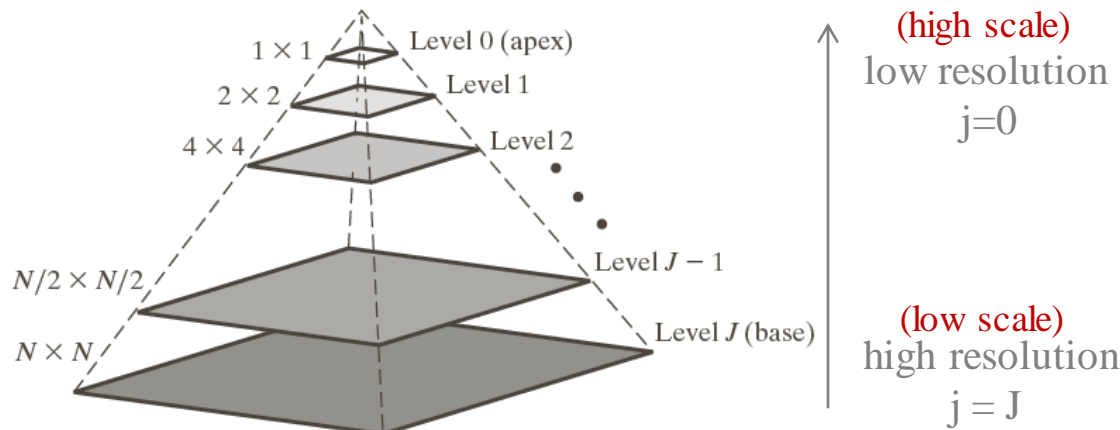
Multiresolution Analysis

Techniques for representing multiresolution information efficiently:

Pyramidal Coding

Subband Coding

Image Pyramid



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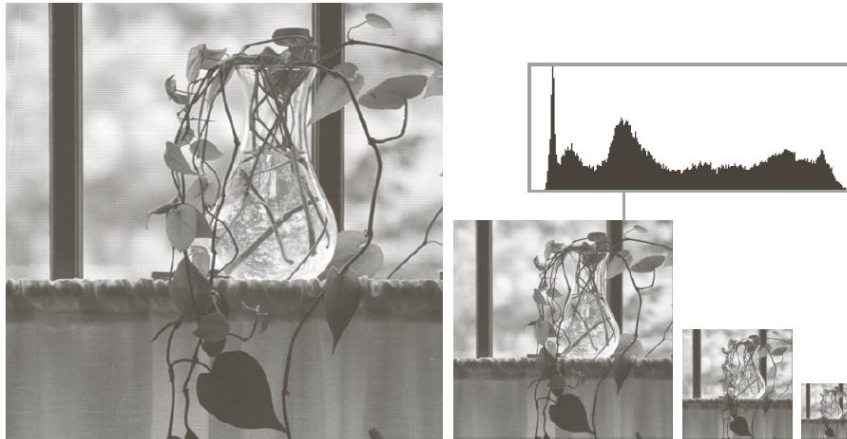
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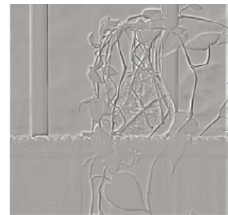
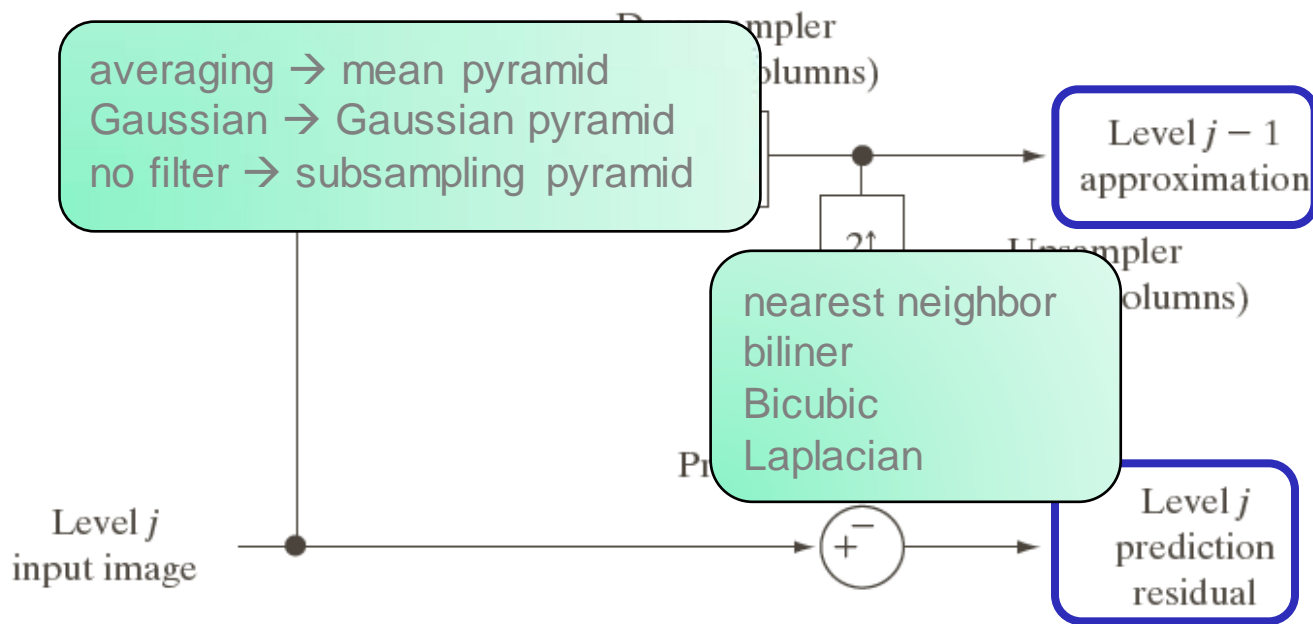
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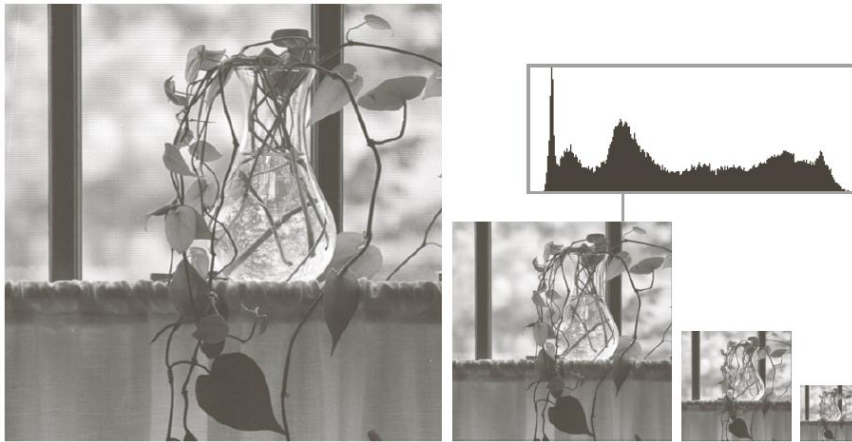
Two pyramids: approximation and prediction residual



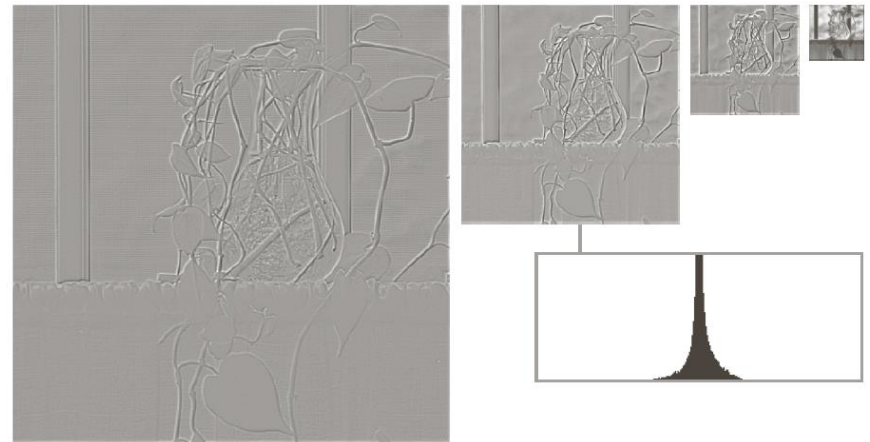
(details)

Pyramidal Coding

Approximation pyramid
(based on Gaussian filter)



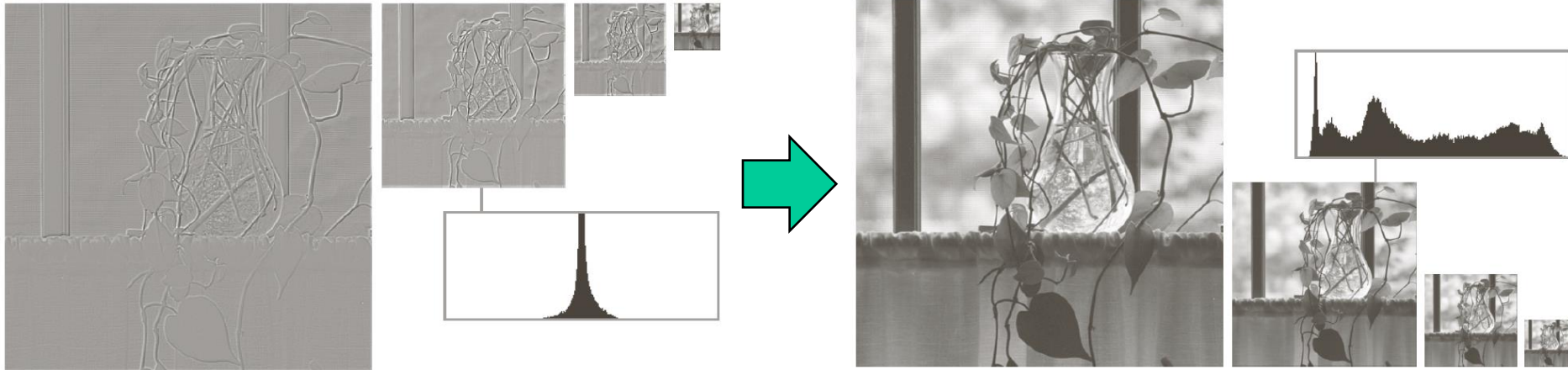
Prediction residual pyramid
(based on Laplacian filter)



Note: The last level is the same as that of the approximation Pyramid.

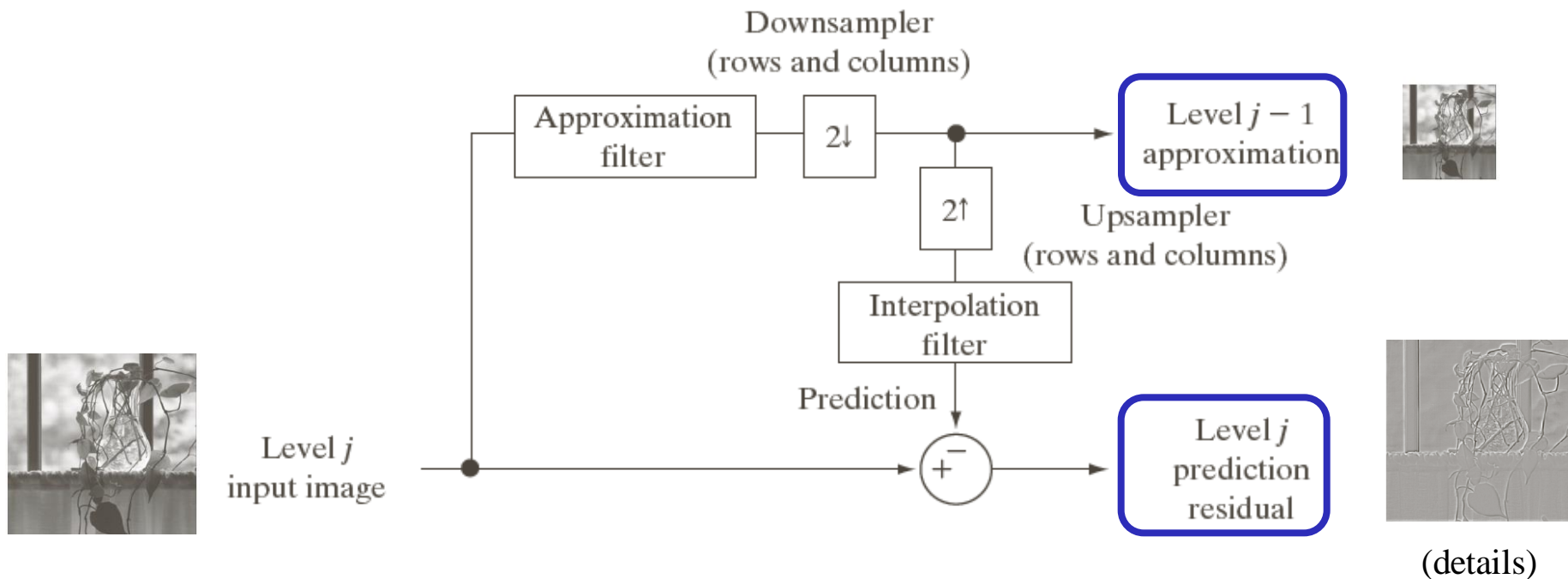
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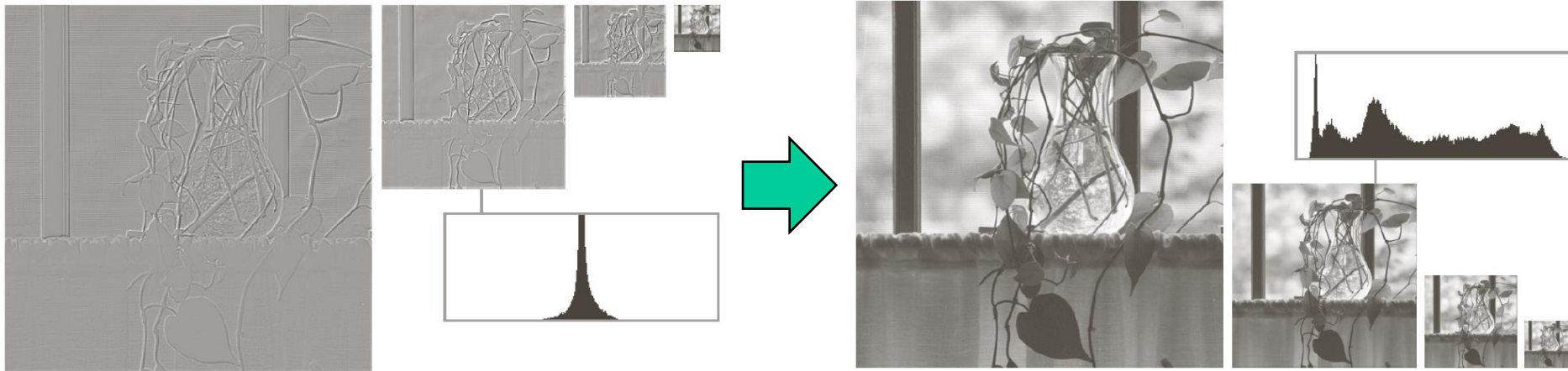
Pyramidal Coding

Just add the “details” or “residual error” back!



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- We need to keep the prediction residual pyramid only!
 - More efficient representation

Subband Coding

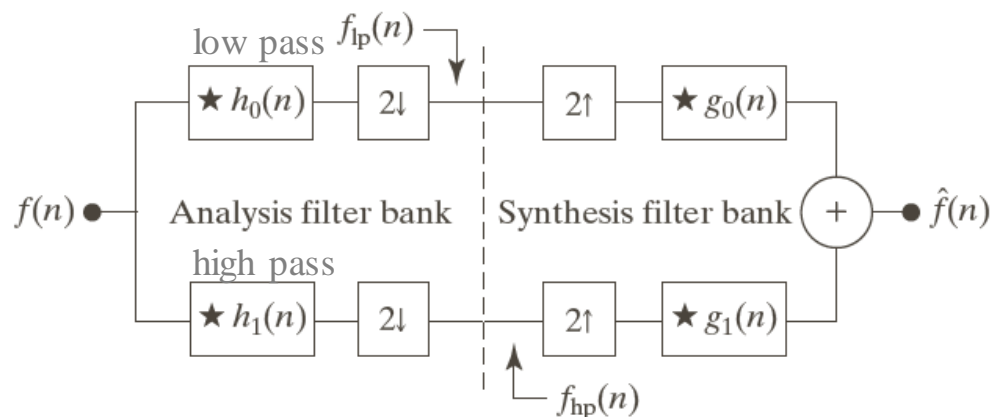
Decompose an image (or signal) into different frequency bands (**analysis** step).

Decomposed subbands can be re-assembled to **reconstruct** the original image without error (**synthesis** step).

Need to choose appropriate filters (i.e., “filter bank”).

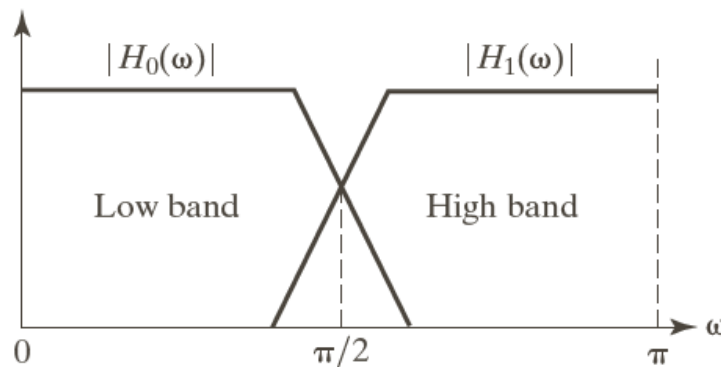
Subband Coding – 1D Example

2-band decomposition



$f_{lp}(n)$: approximation of $f(n)$

$f_{hp}(n)$: detail of $f(n)$



Its spectrum splitting properties

Goal of subband coding is to select $h_0(n)$, $h_1(n)$, $g_0(n)$ and $g_1(n)$ so that $\hat{f}(n) = f(n)$

Subband Coding

- It can be shown that for perfect reconstruction, the synthesis filters ($g_0(n)$ and $g_1(n)$) must be modulated versions of the analysis filters ($h_0(n)$, $h_1(n)$):

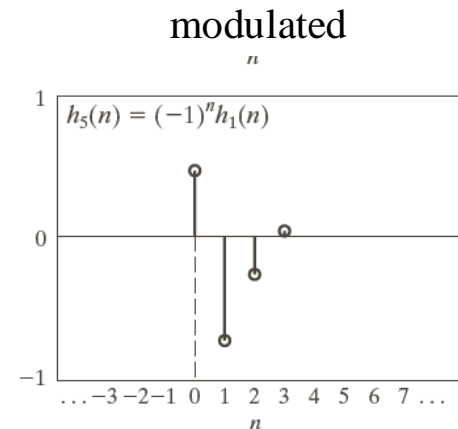
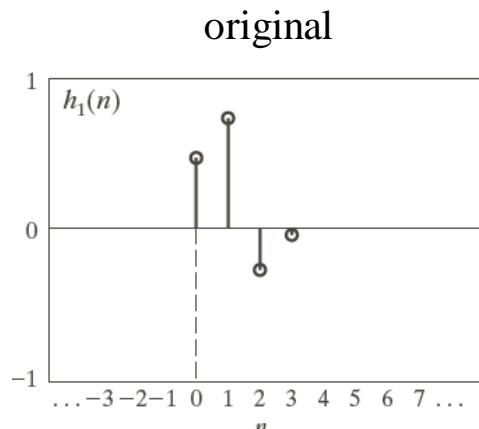
$$g_0(n) = (-1)^n h_1(n)$$

$$g_1(n) = (-1)^{n+1} h_0(n)$$

or

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2-D Separable WT

For images we use separable WT.

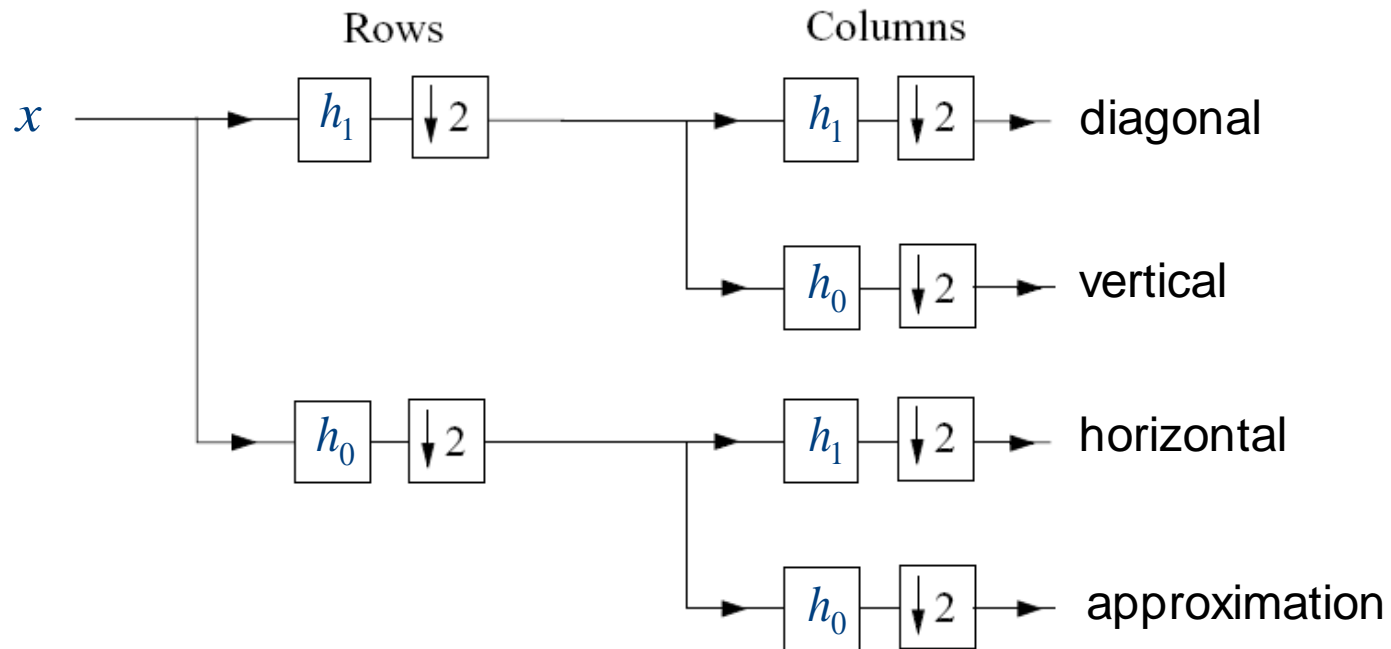
First we apply a 1-D filter bank to the rows of the image.

Then we apply same transformation to the columns of each channel of the result.

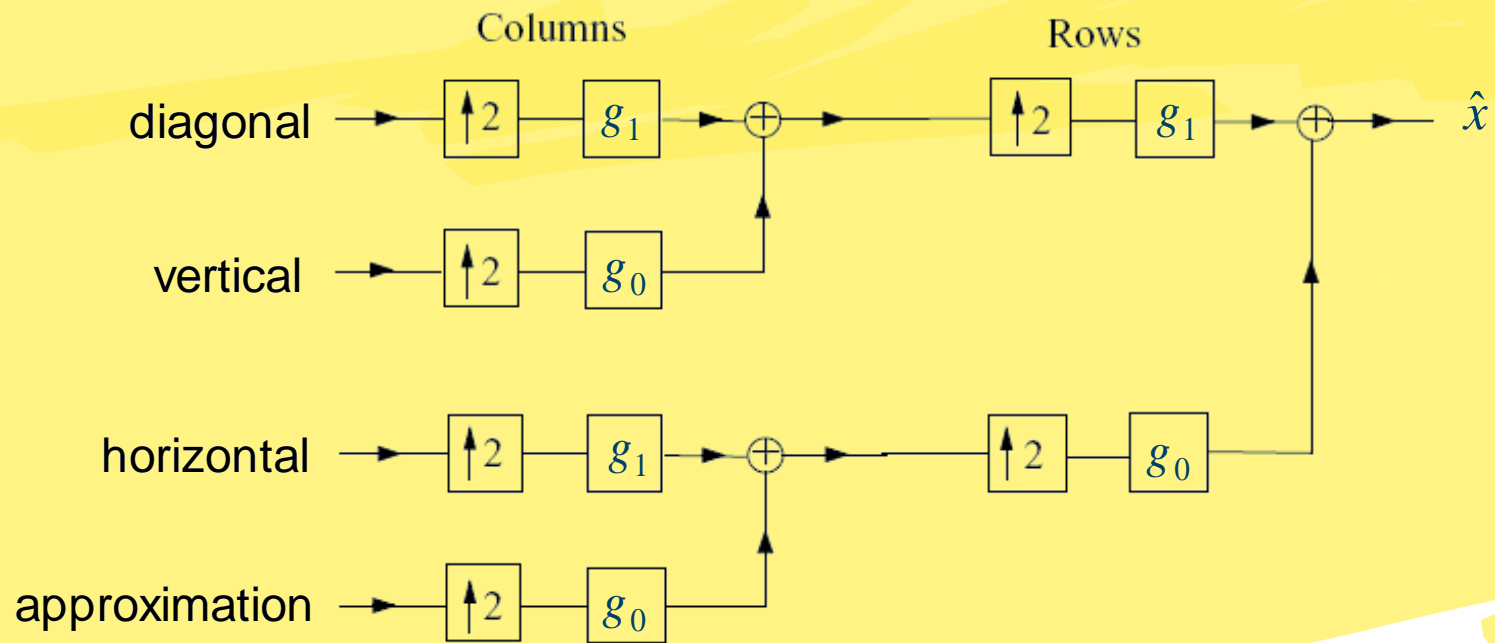
Therefore, we obtain 3 highpass channels corresponding to vertical, horizontal, and diagonal, and one approximation image.

We can iterate the above procedure on the lowpass channel.

2-D Analysis Filter Bank

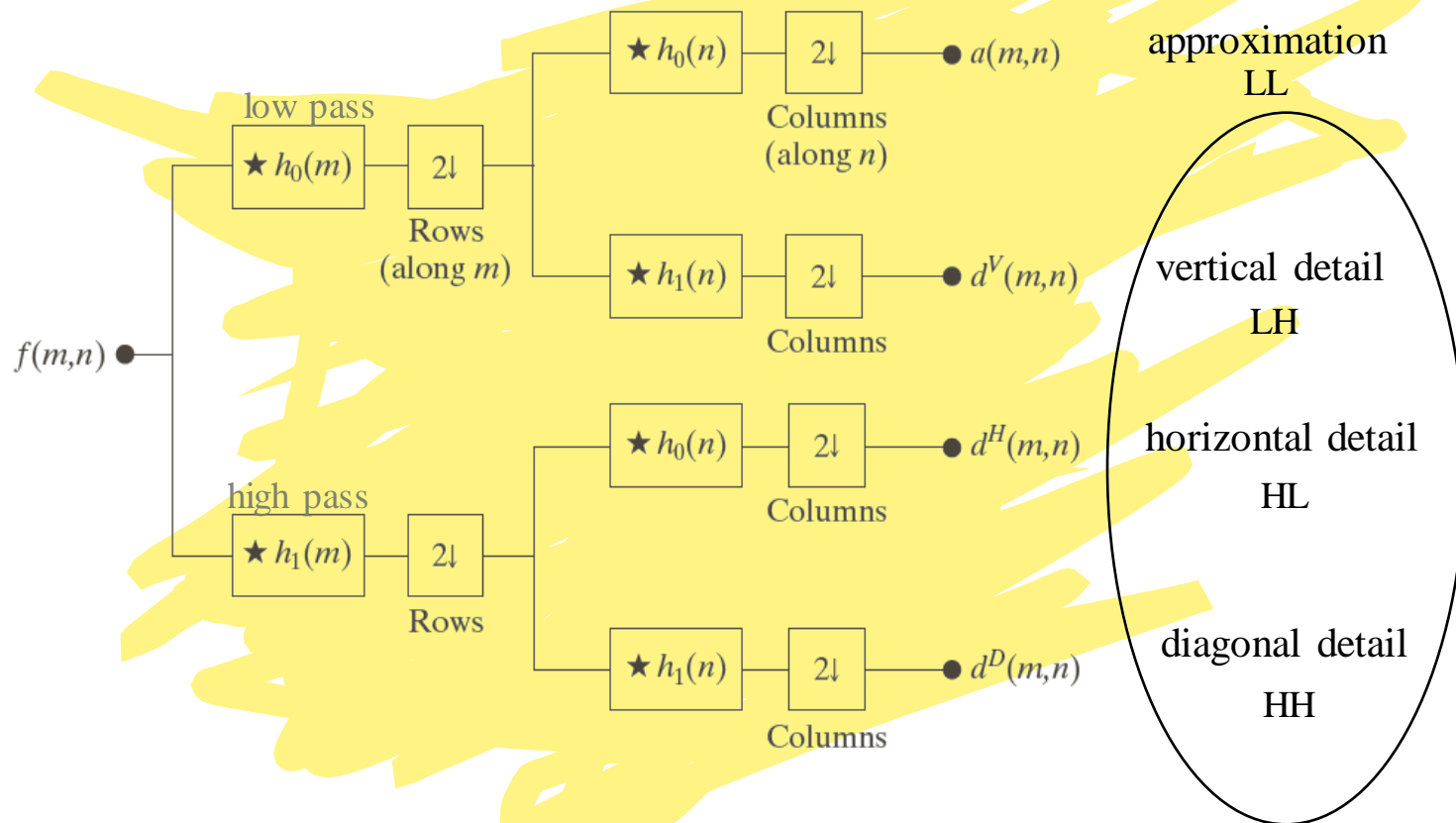


2-D Synthesis Filter Bank



Subband Coding – 2D Example

4-band decomposition (using **separable** filters)

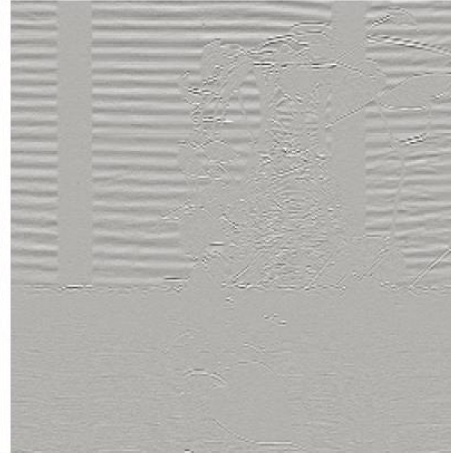


Subband Coding

approximation



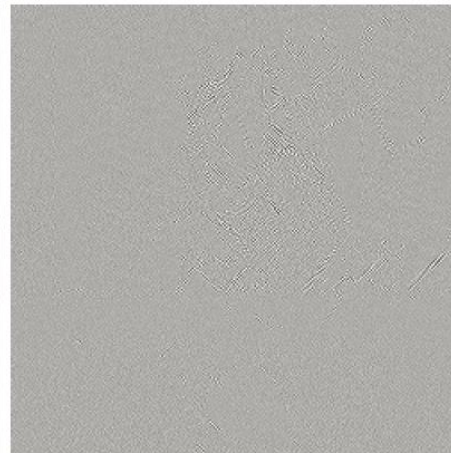
horizontal detail



vertical detail



diagonal detail



Summary

In this lecture we have begun looking at multiresolution analysis.

It is widely used to handle images containing information at different scales or levels of detail.