# Note: On the Reconstruction Formula for the Ridgelet Transform

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## 1 Introduction

We define the ridgelet transform and its dual as follows:

$$\mathscr{R}_{\psi}[f](\boldsymbol{a},b) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} f(x) \, \psi(\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{x} - b) \, \|\boldsymbol{a}\|^s \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{x} \tag{1}$$

$$\mathscr{R}_{\eta}^{\dagger}[T](x) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} T(\boldsymbol{a}, b) \, \eta(\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{x} - b) \, \|\boldsymbol{a}\|^{-s} \, \mathrm{d}\boldsymbol{a} \, \mathrm{d}b$$
 (2)

We consider the reconstruction formula.

$$\mathscr{R}_{n}^{\dagger}[\mathscr{R}_{\psi}[f]](\boldsymbol{x}) = K_{\psi,\eta} f(x) \tag{3}$$

where

$$K_{\psi,\eta} := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\overline{\widehat{\psi}(\zeta)}\widehat{\eta}(\zeta)}{|\zeta|^m} \,\mathrm{d}\zeta \tag{4}$$

#### 2 Reconstruction Formula

Let  $\eta$  and  $\psi$  be fourier-transformable functions on  $\mathbb{R}$ , and let  $\widehat{\psi}$  and  $\widehat{\eta}$  be their Fourier transforms, respectively. In what follows, to avoid notational conflict, we denote the evaluation point of the reconstruction as  $\boldsymbol{y}$ .

Throughout this section, we assume that all functions involved are sufficiently well-behaved (e.g., rapidly decaying and smooth, or belonging to appropriate  $L^1$  or  $L^2$  spaces) such that all interchanges of integration order are justified by Fubini's Theorem.

$$\mathscr{R}_{\psi}[f](\boldsymbol{a},b) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(x) \, \psi(\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{x} - b) \, \|\boldsymbol{a}\|^s$$
 (5)

$$\mathscr{R}_{\eta}^{\dagger}[\mathscr{R}_{\psi}[f]](\boldsymbol{y}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{m}} d\boldsymbol{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\boldsymbol{b} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^{m}} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \psi(\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{x} - b) \, \|\boldsymbol{a}\|^{s} \right) \, \eta(\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{y} - b) \, \|\boldsymbol{a}\|^{-s}$$
(6)

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\mathbf{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} db \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\mathbf{x} f(\mathbf{x}) \psi(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{x} - b) \eta(\mathbf{a} \cdot \mathbf{y} - b)$$
 (7)

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{a} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} db \, \psi(\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{x} - b) \, \eta(\boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{y} - b)$$
(8)

To evaluate the integral, we introduce a change of variables. Consider the transformation from  $(\boldsymbol{a},b)$  to  $(z,\boldsymbol{w})$ :

$$\begin{cases} z = \boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{x} - b \\ \boldsymbol{w} = (a_1, a_2, \dots a_m) \end{cases} \iff \begin{cases} b = \boldsymbol{a} \cdot \boldsymbol{x} - z \\ \boldsymbol{a} = \boldsymbol{w} \end{cases}$$

Where  $(a_1, a_2, \cdots a_m)$  are the components of  $\boldsymbol{a}$ .

The Jacobian matrix of this transformation is given by:

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} \partial z/\partial a_1 & \partial w_1/\partial a_1 & \cdots & \partial w_{m-1}/\partial a_1 & \partial w_m/\partial a_1 \\ \partial z/\partial a_2 & \partial w_1/\partial a_2 & \cdots & \partial w_{m-1}/\partial a_2 & \partial w_m/\partial a_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \partial z/\partial a_m & \partial w_1/\partial a_m & \cdots & \partial w_{m-1}/\partial a_m & \partial w_m/\partial a_m \\ \partial z/\partial b & \partial w_1/\partial b & \cdots & \partial w_{m-1}/\partial b & \partial w_m/\partial b \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} x_1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ x_2 & 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{m-1} & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & 0 \\ x_m & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Where  $(x_1, x_2, \dots x_m)$  are the components of  $\boldsymbol{x}$ . The determinant is computed by cofactor expansion along the last row. Let  $C_{(i,j)}$  denote the cofactor corresponding to the element in the i-th row and j-th column. Since the only nonzero element in the last row is in position (m+1,1), its sign is given by  $(-1)^{(m+1)+1}$ .

The minor corresponding to this entry is the  $m \times m$  identity matrix, so its cofactor is:

$$C_{((m+1),1)} = (-1)^{(m+1)+1} \cdot \det(I_m) = (-1)^{m+2} \cdot 1 = (-1)^{m+2}$$

Hence:

$$\det(J) = -1 \cdot C_{((m+1),1)} = -1 \cdot (-1)^{m+2} = (-1)^{m+3}, \text{ so } |\det(J)| = 1$$

The integral after the transformation is as follows:

 $(RHS) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{w} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \, \psi(z) \, \eta(\boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x}) + z)$ (9)

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{w} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \left( \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \hat{\psi}(\zeta) e^{i\zeta z} \right) \eta(\boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x}) + z)$$
(10)  
$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{w} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \hat{\psi}(\zeta) e^{i\zeta z} \eta(\boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x}) + z)$$
(11)

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(12)

In equation (10), we apply the Fourier inversion formula to  $\psi$ , which yields the integral representation of  $\psi$  via  $\hat{\psi}$ .

Next, consider the following transformation:

$$z' = \boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x}) + z \tag{13}$$

$$\iff z = z' - \boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x}) \tag{14}$$

$$(RHS) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{w} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz' \, e^{i\zeta z'} \, e^{-i\zeta \boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x})} \, \eta(z')$$
(15)

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{w} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \, e^{-i\zeta \boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x})} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz' \, \eta(z') \, e^{i\zeta z'}$$
(16)

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{w} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \, e^{-i\zeta \boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x})} \, \widehat{\eta}(\zeta)$$
(17)

$$= \int_{\mathbb{D}_m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \, \widehat{\eta}(\zeta) \int_{\mathbb{D}_m} d\boldsymbol{w} \, e^{-i\zeta \boldsymbol{w} \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x})}$$
(18)

(19)

Considering the transformation from  $\zeta w$  to w', and noting that its Jacobian is  $|\zeta|^m$ :

$$(RHS) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \, \widehat{\eta}(\zeta) \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \frac{d\boldsymbol{w}}{|\zeta|^m} e^{-i\boldsymbol{w}' \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x})}$$
(20)

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \frac{\widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \, \widehat{\eta}(\zeta)}{|\zeta|^m} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{w} \, e^{-i\boldsymbol{w}' \cdot (\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x})}$$
(21)

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} f(\boldsymbol{x}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \frac{\widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \, \widehat{\eta}(\zeta)}{|\zeta|^m} \, \delta(\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x})$$
 (22)

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \frac{\widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \, \widehat{\eta}(\zeta)}{|\zeta|^m} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} d\boldsymbol{x} \, f(\boldsymbol{x}) \, \delta(\boldsymbol{y} - \boldsymbol{x})$$
 (23)

$$= f(\boldsymbol{y}) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} d\zeta \, \frac{\widehat{\psi}(\zeta) \, \widehat{\eta}(\zeta)}{|\zeta|^m}. \tag{24}$$

Thus, it is shown that the reconstruction formula is possible.

### 3 Examples

We choose the hyperbolic tangent function as the activation function  $\eta$ . The Fourier transform of the hyperbolic tangent function is given by:

$$\widehat{\eta}(\zeta) = -i\pi \operatorname{sech}\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\zeta\right)$$
(25)

We now calculate why its Fourier transform takes this form.

$$\widehat{\eta}(\zeta) = \text{p.v.} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z} dz$$

$$= \lim_{R \to \infty} \int_{-R}^{R} \tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z} dz$$

Here, p.v. denotes the Cauchy principal value. The necessity of taking the Cauchy principal value arises from the fact that tanh(z) converges to a constant at infinity, whereas the exponential term exhibits oscillatory behavior.

As direct evaluation of this integral is difficult, we resort to considering a complex integral along a contour C.

$$\int_{\mathcal{C}} \tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z} dz = \int_{\gamma_R} \tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z} dz + \int_{\ell_R} \tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z} dz.$$

Where  $\mathcal{C}$  is a closed contour in the complex plane, and  $\gamma_R$  and  $\ell_R$  are specific segments of this contour. For  $\zeta > 0$ , we choose  $\mathcal{C}$  to be the semi-circular contour in the upper half-plane, consisting of the real axis segment [-R,R] (denoted by  $\ell_R$ ) and the semi-circular arc  $\gamma_R^+ = \{z = Re^{i\theta} \mid 0 \le \theta \le \pi\}$ . Conversely, for  $\zeta < 0$ , we choose the semi-circular contour in the lower half-plane  $\gamma_R^- = \{z = Re^{-i\theta} \mid 0 \le \theta \le \pi\}$ .

Now, we will utilize the Residue Theorem to evaluate this complex integral. The next steps involve:

- 1. Identifying the contribution from the straight line segment.
- 2. Calculating the residues.
- 3. Showing the integral along the semi-circular arc vanishes.

Next, we will calculate the residues at the poles within our chosen contour. The fact that poles of  $\tanh(z)e^{-i\zeta z}$  are located at  $z_k = \pm i(/2+k)\pi$  for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  can be readily seen from the following lemma:

**Lemma 3.1** (Infinite Product Expansion of Hyperbolic Cosine). The hyperbolic cosine function  $\cosh(z)$  has the infinite product expansion:

$$\cosh(z) = \prod_{k=0}^{\infty} \left( 1 + \frac{z^2}{\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \pi^2} \right)$$

Since these poles are simple pole, we can use the following lemma to calculate the residues:

**Lemma 3.2** (Residue at a Simple Pole). Let  $f(z) = \frac{p(z)}{q(z)}$  be a complex function where p(z) and q(z) are analytic functions. If  $q(z_0) = 0$  and  $q'(z_0) \neq 0$  (implying  $z_0$  is a simple zero of q(z)), and  $p(z_0) \neq 0$ , then f(z) has a simple pole at  $z = z_0$ , and its residue is given by:

$$Res(f(z), z_0) = \frac{p(z_0)}{q'(z_0)}$$

Case 1:  $\zeta > 0$  For  $\zeta > 0$ , we choose the semi-circular contour in the lower half-plane. Therefore, we need to consider the poles  $z_k = -i(\pi/2 + k\pi)$  for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . The residues at these poles can be computed using Lemma 3.2. Here,  $p(z) = \sinh(z)e^{-i\zeta z}$  and  $q(z) = \cosh(z)$ . The residue at the pole  $z_k = -i(\pi/2 + k\pi)$  is given by:

$$\operatorname{Res}(\tanh(z)e^{-i\zeta z}, z_k) = \frac{\sinh(z_k)e^{-i\zeta z_k}}{\cosh'(z_k)}$$

$$= \frac{\sinh(z_k)e^{-i\zeta z_k}}{\sinh(z_k)}$$

$$= e^{-i\zeta z_k}$$

$$= e^{-i\zeta(-i(\pi/2 + k\pi))}$$

$$= e^{\zeta(\pi/2 + k\pi)}$$

As  $R \to \infty$ , the contour enclose an infinite number of poles in the lower half-plane, specifically  $z_j = -i(j+1/2)\pi$  for  $j \in \mathbb{N}$ . Thus, the total sum of residues will be an infinite seriese:

$$\begin{split} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \operatorname{Res}(\tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z}, z_j) &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} e^{\zeta(j+1/2)\pi} \\ &= e^{\zeta\pi/2} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} e^{j\zeta\pi} \\ &= e^{\zeta\pi/2} \frac{e^{\zeta\pi}}{1 - e^{\zeta\pi}} \\ &= \frac{i\pi}{2 \sinh\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\zeta\right)}. \end{split}$$

It's important to note that when integrating along a contour in the lower half-plane, the contour is typically traversed anticlockwise. Since we are integrating clockwise this time, a minus sign is attached when using the residue theorem.

Case 2:  $\zeta < 0$  By similar calculations, the infinite sum of the residues for  $\zeta < 0$  is given by:

$$\begin{split} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \operatorname{Res}(\tanh(z)e^{-i\zeta z}, z_j) &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} e^{-\zeta(j+1/2)\pi} \\ &= e^{-\zeta\pi/2} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} e^{-j\zeta\pi} \\ &= e^{-\zeta\pi/2} \frac{e^{-\zeta\pi}}{1 - e^{-j\zeta\pi}} \\ &= \frac{-i\pi}{2 \sinh\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\zeta\right)} \end{split}$$

Next, we will show that the integral over a semicircle is zero.

#### Case 1: $\zeta > 0$

For  $\zeta > 0$ , we consider the semicircular contour in the lower half-plane, denoted as  $\gamma_R^- = \{z = Re^{-i\theta} \mid 0 \le \theta \le \pi\}$ . We need to show that the integral over this semicircle vanishes as  $R \to \infty$ .

We have:

$$\left| \int_{\gamma_R^-} \tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z} \, \mathrm{d}z \right| = \left| \int_0^\pi \tanh(Re^{-i\theta}) e^{-i\zeta Re^{-i\theta}} (-iRe^{-i\theta}) \, \mathrm{d}\theta \right|$$

$$\leq \int_0^\pi \left| \tanh(Re^{-i\theta}) e^{-i\zeta Re^{-i\theta}} (-iRe^{-i\theta}) \right| \, \mathrm{d}\theta$$

$$= R \int_0^\pi \left| \tanh(Re^{-i\theta}) \right| e^{-\zeta R\sin\theta} \, \mathrm{d}\theta$$

$$\leq R \int_0^\pi e^{-\zeta R\sin\theta} \, \mathrm{d}\theta.$$

Here, we use the following lemma:

**Lemma 3.3** (Laplace's Method). Let f(x) be a twice continuously differentiable function on the interval [a,b], such that it attains its maximum value at a unique point  $x_0 \in (a,b)$ , i.e.,  $f(x_0) = \max_{a \le x \le b} f(x)$ , and  $f''(x_0) < 0$ . Under these conditions, we have:

$$\int_a^b e^{nf(x)} dx \sim \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{n |f''(x_0)|}} e^{nf(x_0)} \quad as \ n \to \infty.$$

Here,  $\sim$  denotes that the ratio of the two sides approaches 1 as  $n \to \infty$ .

Using Laplace's method, we can evaluate the integral as follows:

$$\int_0^{\pi} e^{-\zeta R \sin \theta} d\theta \sim \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\zeta R |-\cos(0)|}} e^{-\zeta R \sin(\frac{\pi}{2})}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\zeta R}} e^{-\zeta R}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\zeta R}} e^{-\zeta R}.$$

Hence, we calculate the integral over the semicircle as follows:

$$R \int_0^{\pi} e^{-\zeta R \sin \theta} d\theta \leqslant R \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\zeta R}} e^{-\zeta R}$$
$$= \sqrt{\frac{2\pi R}{\zeta}} e^{-\zeta R}.$$

Therefore, we conclude that:

$$\int_{\gamma_R^+} \tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z} \, \mathrm{d}z \to 0 \quad \text{as } R \to \infty.$$

Case 2:  $\zeta < 0$  For  $\zeta < 0$ , we consider the semicircular contour in the upper half-plane, denoted as  $\gamma_R^+ = \{z = Re^{i\theta} \mid 0 \le \theta \le \pi\}$ . We need to show that the integral over this semicircle vanishes as  $R \to \infty$ . We have:

$$\left| \int_{\gamma_R^+} \tanh(z) e^{-i\zeta z} \, \mathrm{d}z \right| = \left| \int_0^{\pi} \tanh(Re^{i\theta}) e^{-i\zeta Re^{i\theta}} (iRe^{i\theta}) \, \mathrm{d}\theta \right|$$

$$\leq \int_0^{\pi} \left| \tanh(Re^{i\theta}) e^{i\zeta Re^{i\theta}} (iRe^{i\theta}) \right| \, \mathrm{d}\theta$$

$$\leq \int_0^{\pi} \left| \tanh(Re^{i\theta}) e^{i\zeta Re^{i\theta}} (iRe^{i\theta}) \right| \, \mathrm{d}\theta$$

$$= R \int_0^{\pi} \left| \tanh(Re^{i\theta}) e^{i\zeta Re^{i\theta}} (iRe^{i\theta}) \right| e^{i\zeta R\sin\theta} \, \mathrm{d}\theta$$

$$\leq R \int_0^{\pi} e^{\zeta R\sin\theta} \, \mathrm{d}\theta.$$

Here, using Laplace's lemma, the same calculation yields 0. Finally, we can conclude that the integral over the semicircle vanishes as  $R \to \infty$ .

Thus, we have:

$$\widehat{\eta}(\zeta) = \frac{-i\pi}{2\sinh\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\zeta\right)}.$$

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