
Subject: Re: FFT OF A NON RECTANGULAR IMAGE

Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Tue, 28 Oct 2008 18:58:24 GMT

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<legall_alice@yahoo.fr> wrote in message

news:4a2c3474-def0-48fc-8611-05635d75f05d@v39g2000pro.google groups.com...

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> the ellipse.

No. The typical FFT requires uniform sampling, with constant length
rows and columns.

So if you put your ellipse of data into this form, then you are essentially
multiplying the rectangle with an eclipse shaped window (= 1 where you
have data, and 0 where you don't), and you are therefore convolving the
2D spectrum with the spectrum of that window.

So, you can do it, but there are consequences.

Cheers,
bob

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Posted by [pgrigis](#) on Tue, 28 Oct 2008 20:15:40 GMT

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Paolo

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> Thank you a lot in advance for your help,
>
> Alice Le Gall

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Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Tue, 28 Oct 2008 21:07:58 GMT
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Posted by [pgrigis](#) on Tue, 28 Oct 2008 21:21:42 GMT
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What I meant was, for every frequency vector (kx,ky),
evaluate the Furier transform $F(kx,ky)$ by computing
the integral of the input function (or table of values)
multiplied by the Fourier basis function of kx,ky over
the elliptical domain....
On second thought, this would be extremely slow...

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