

Digital Image Processing

Discrete Cosine Transform (DCT) in Image Processing

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1-D Discrete Cosine Transform

$$C(u) = a(u) \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} f(x) \cos \left[\frac{(2x+1)u\pi}{2N} \right]$$

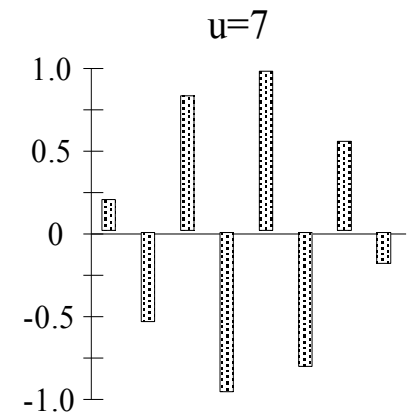
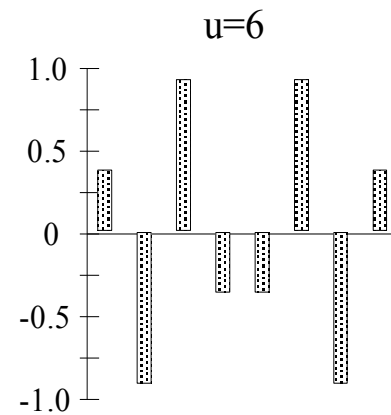
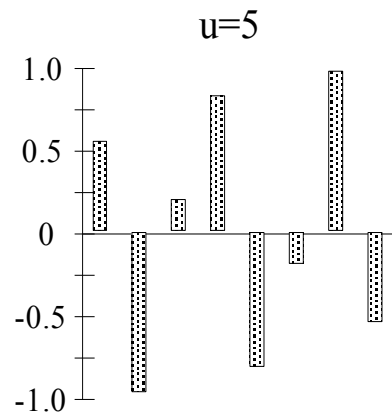
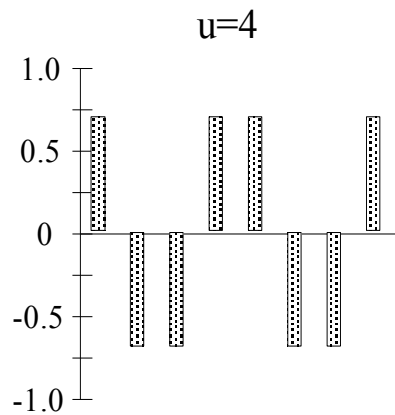
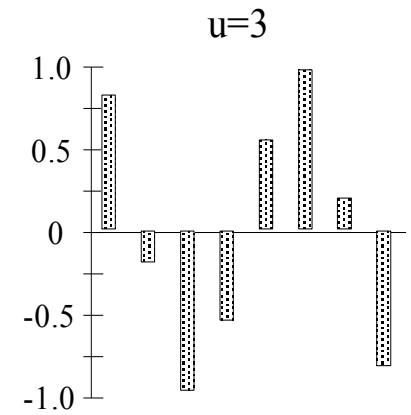
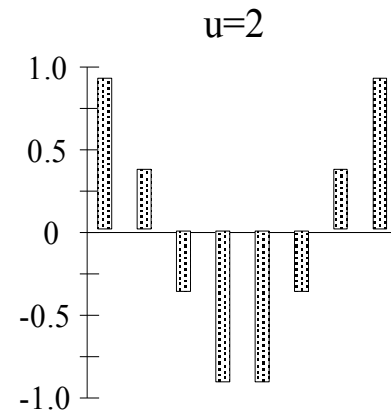
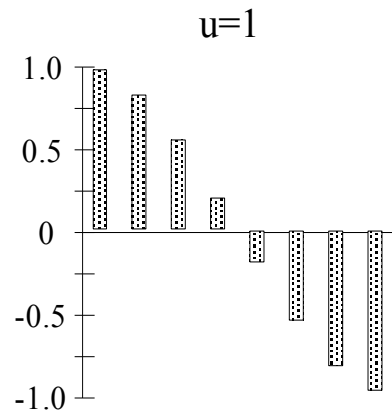
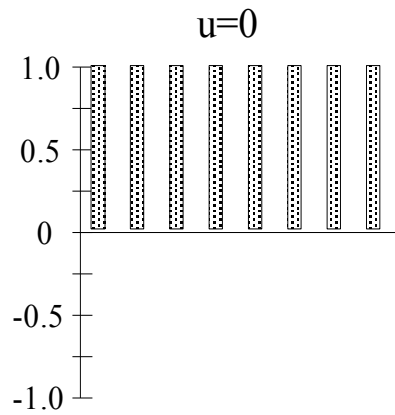
$$u = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

$$a(u) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{1}{N}} & u = 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}} & u = 1, \dots, N-1 \end{cases}$$

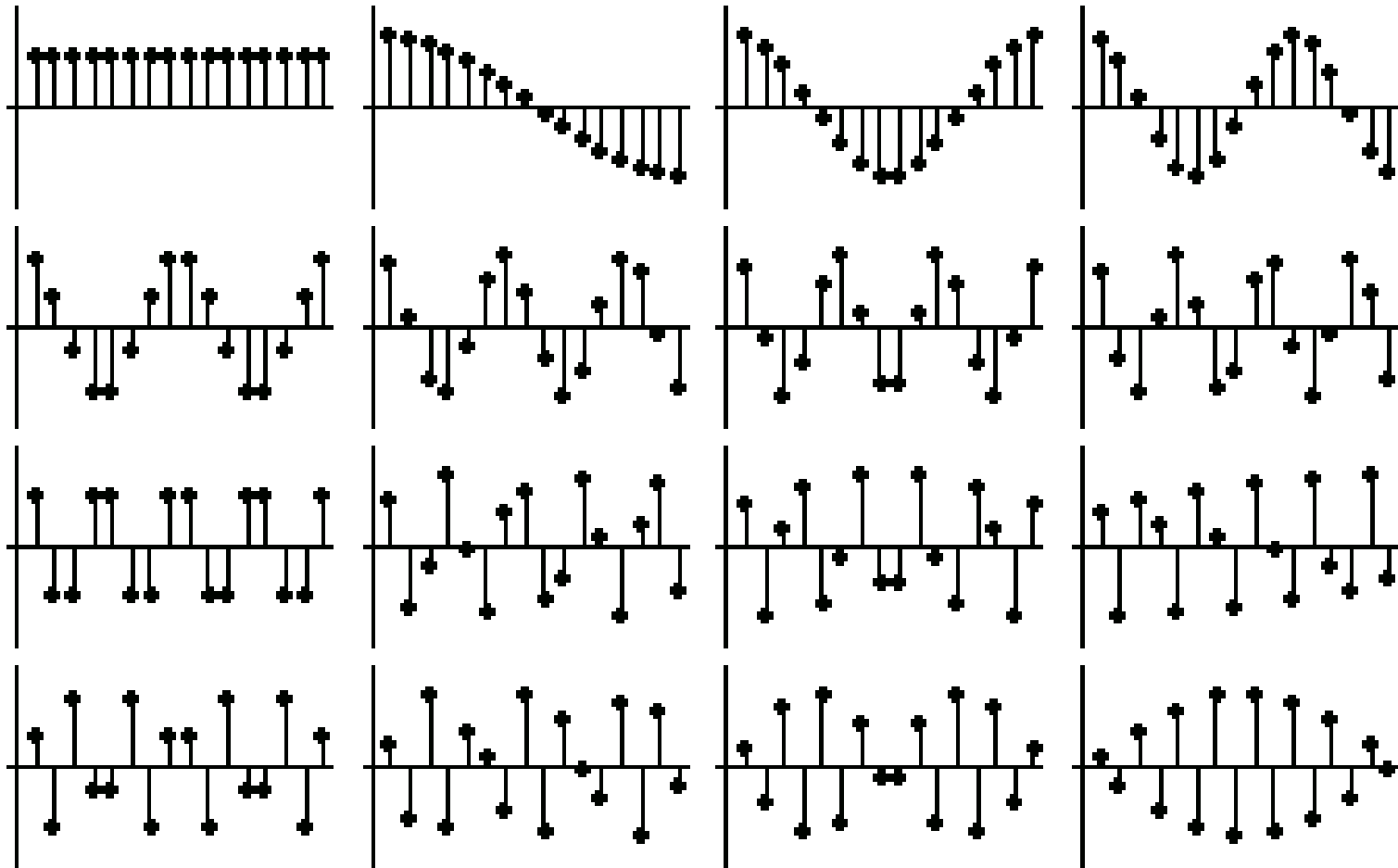
1-D Inverse Discrete Cosine Transform (IDCT)

$$f(x) = \sum_{u=0}^{N-1} a(u)C(u) \cos\left[\frac{(2x+1)u\pi}{2N}\right]$$

1-D Basis Functions $N=8$

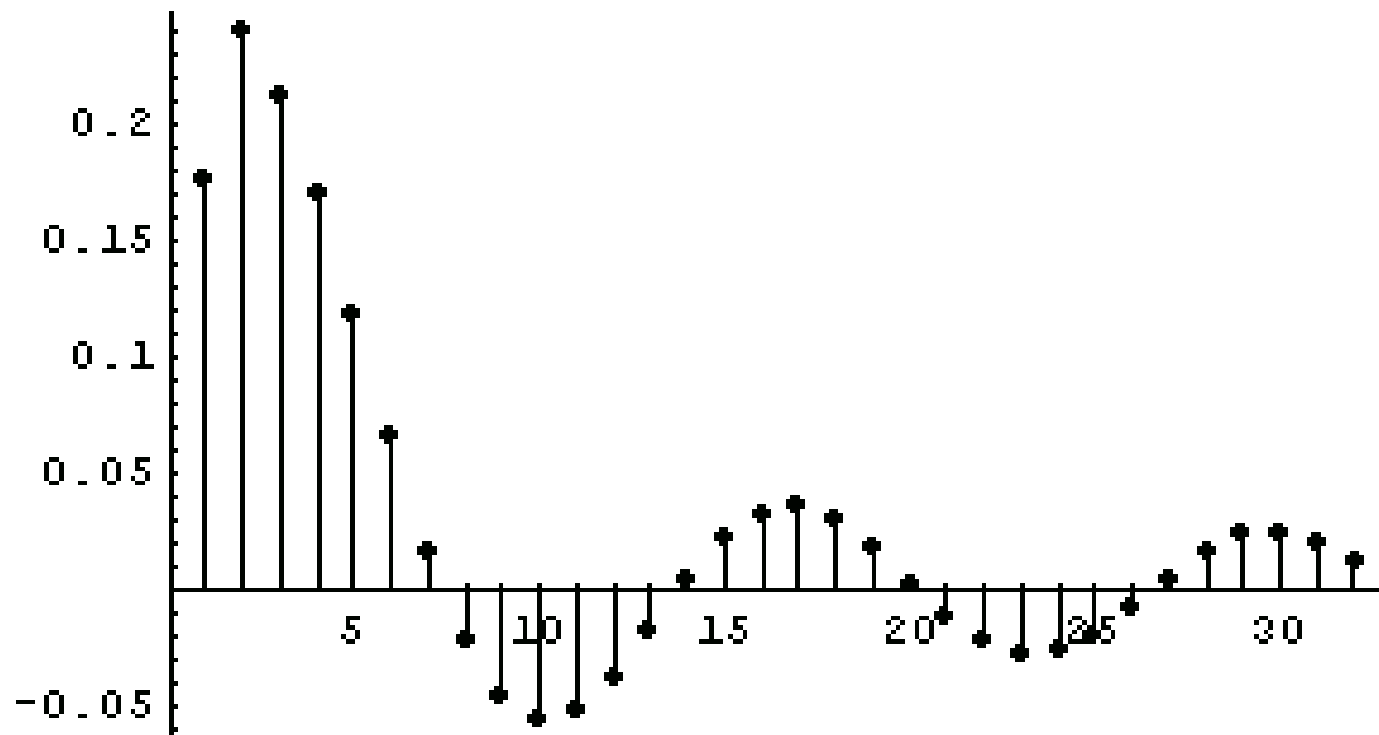


1-D Basis Functions $N=16$

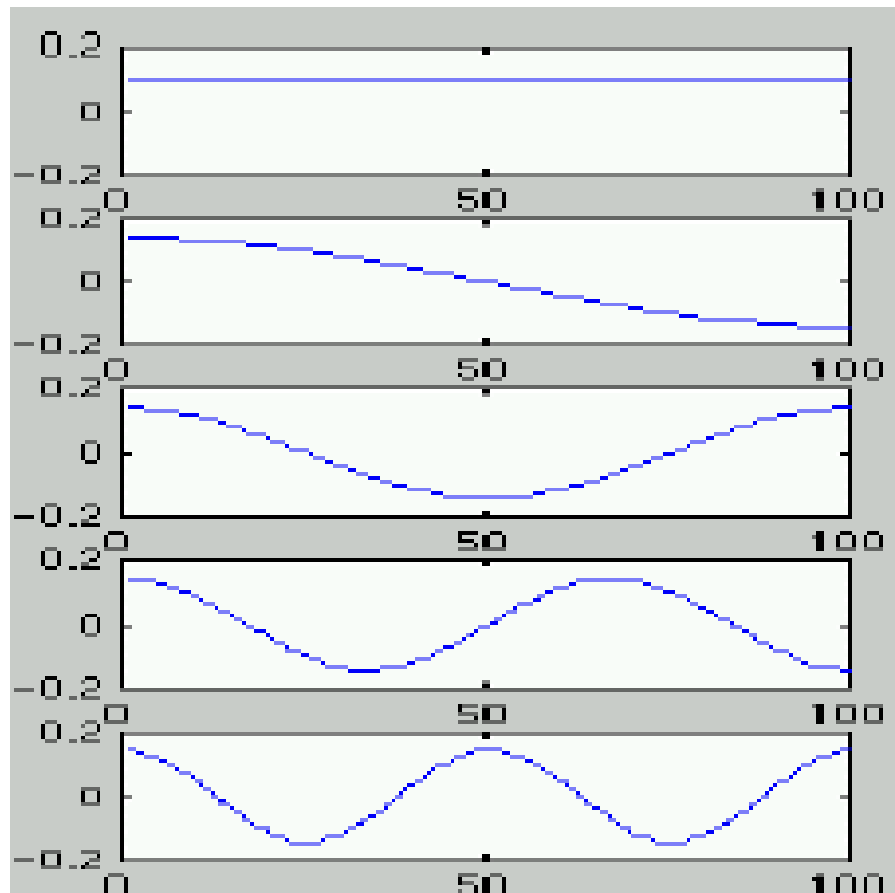


Example: 1D signal

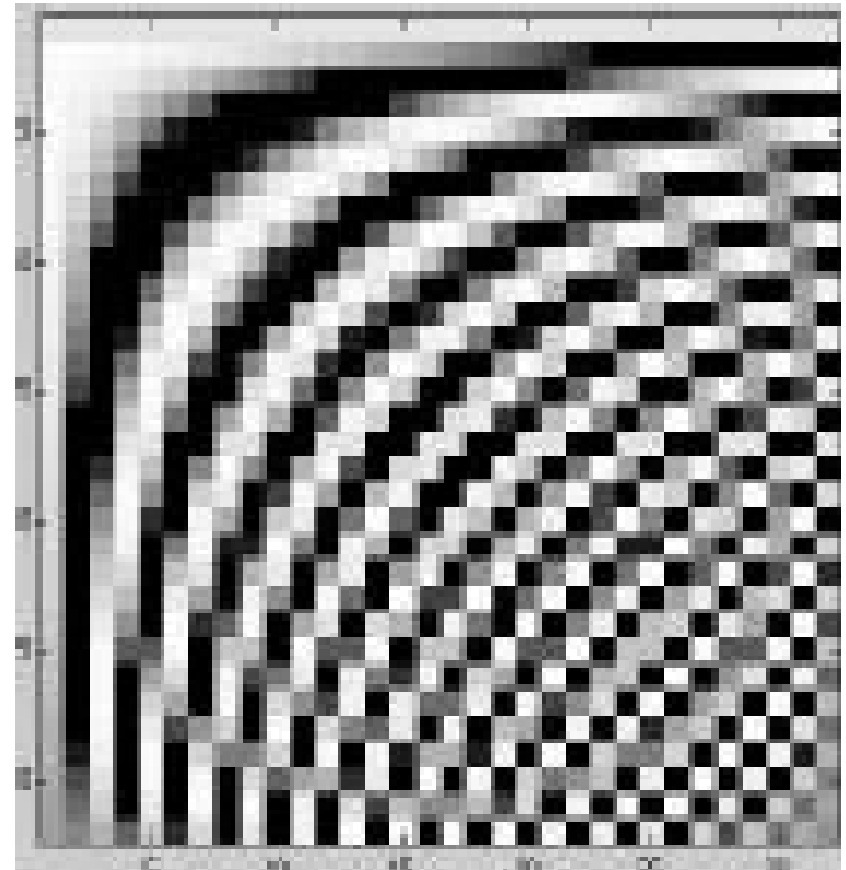
$$x[n] = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{5}, & \text{for } 0 \leq n \leq 4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



- First 5 vectors:



- Image of full 32x32:



2-D Discrete Cosine Transform (IDCT)

$$C(u, v) = a(u)a(v) \sum_{x=0}^{N-1} \sum_{y=0}^{N-1} f(x, y) \cos\left[\frac{(2x+1)u\pi}{2N}\right] \cos\left[\frac{(2y+1)v\pi}{2N}\right]$$

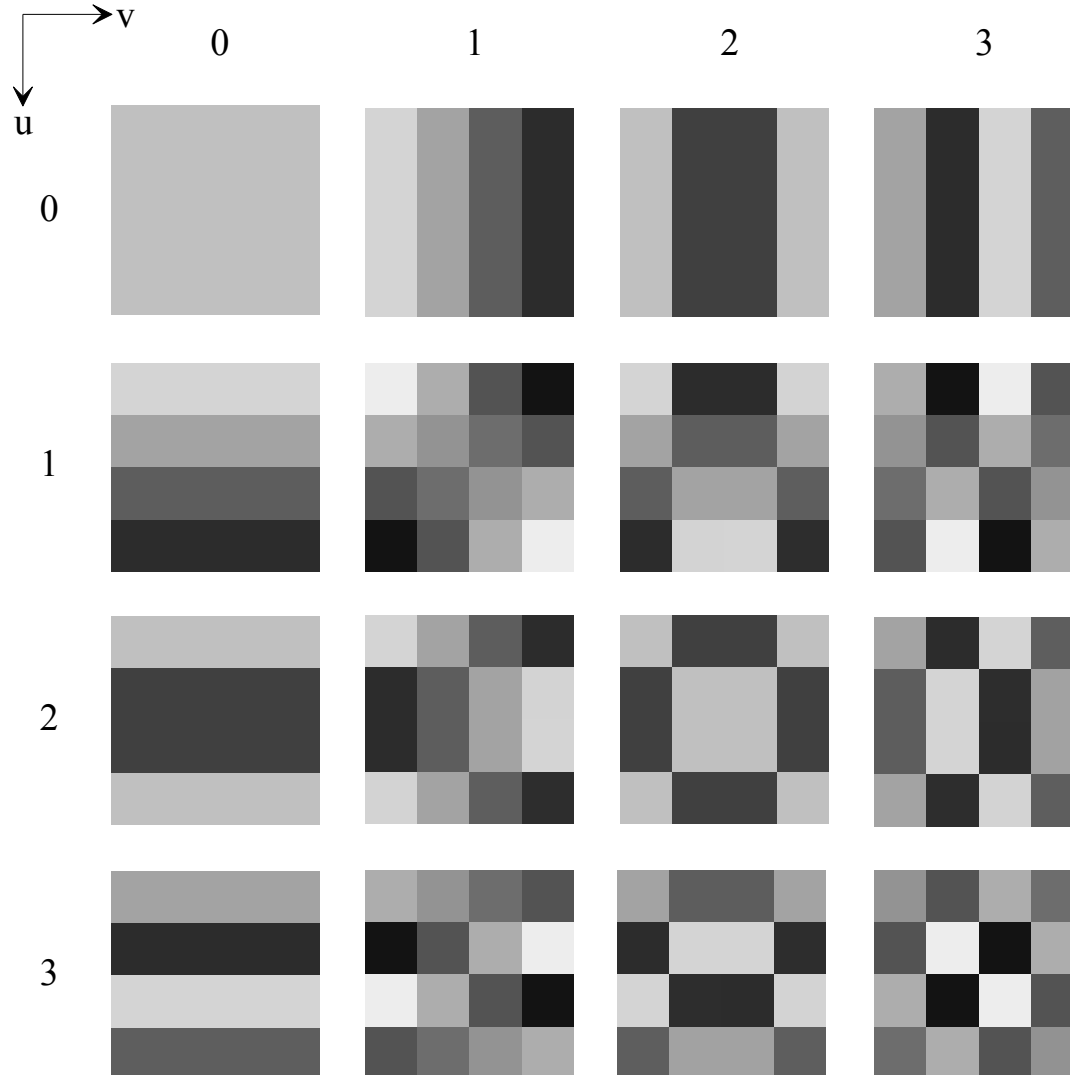
$$f(x, y) = \sum_{u=0}^{N-1} \sum_{v=0}^{N-1} a(u)a(v)C(u, v) \cos\left[\frac{(2x+1)u\pi}{2N}\right] \cos\left[\frac{(2y+1)v\pi}{2N}\right]$$

$$u, v = 0, 1, \dots, N-1$$

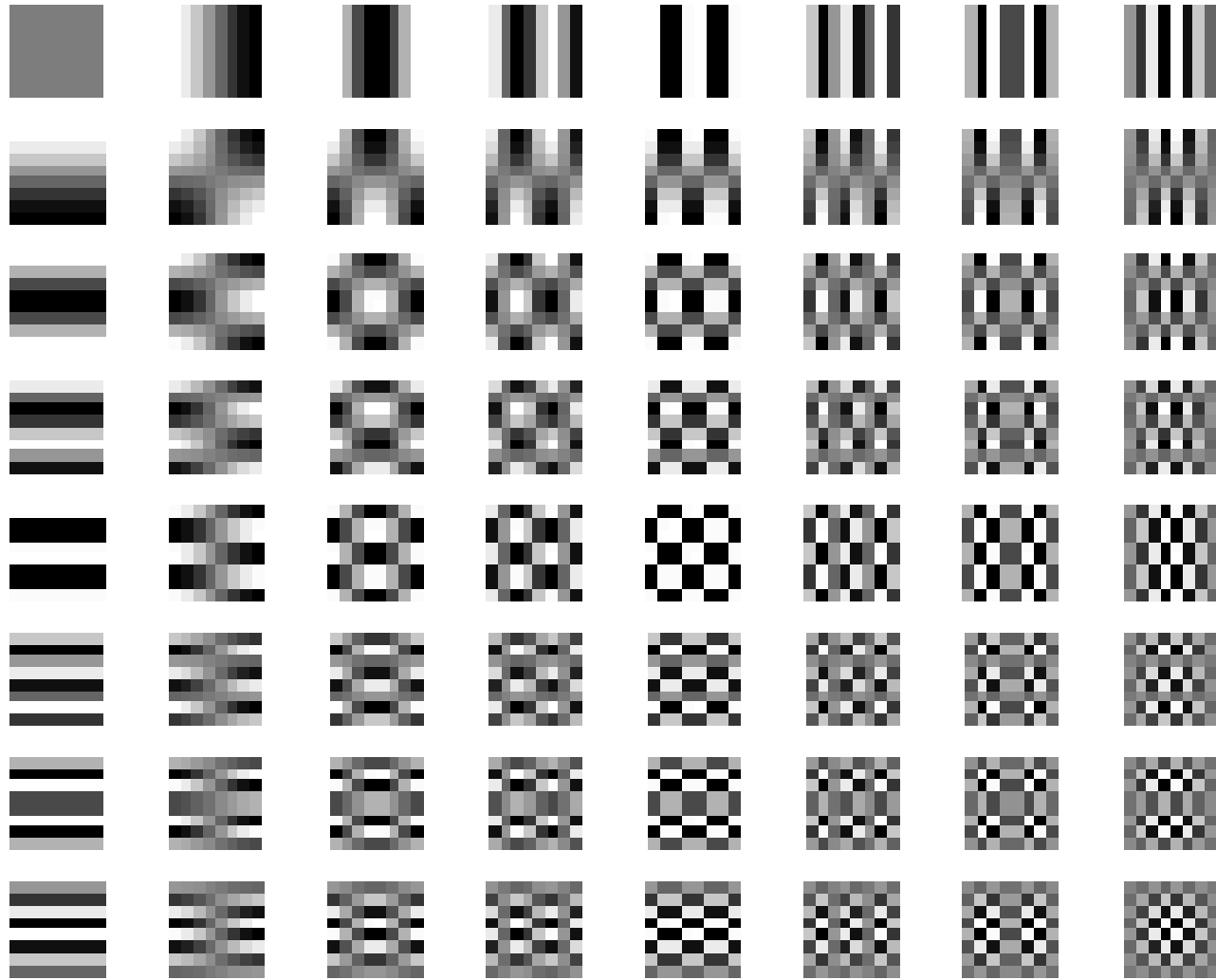
Advantages of the Discrete Cosine Transform

- Notice that the DCT is a real transform.
- The DCT has excellent energy compaction properties.
- There are fast algorithms to compute the DCT similar to the FFT.

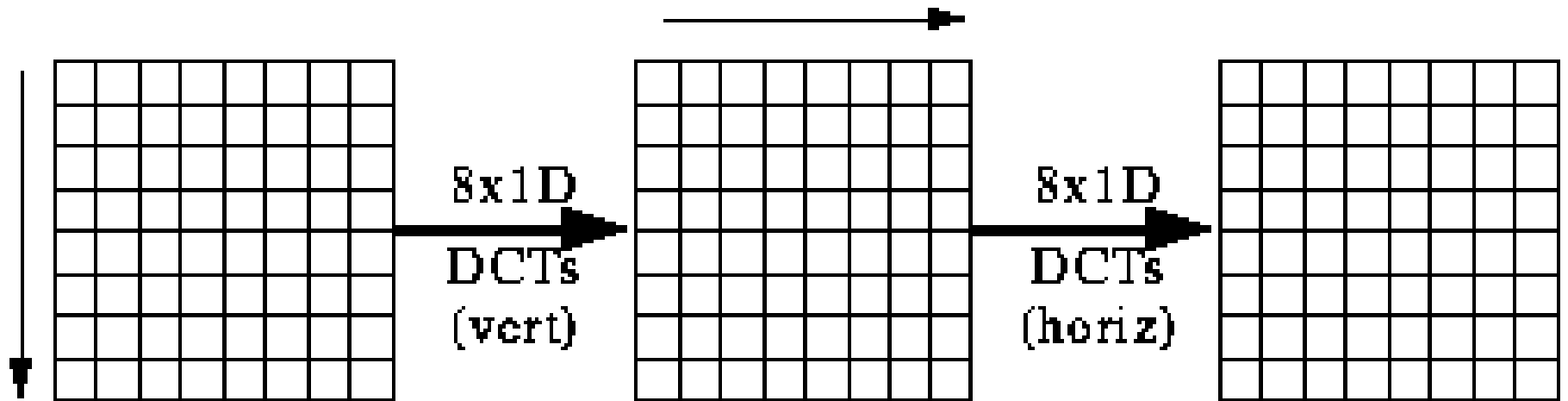
2-D Basis Functions $N=4$



2-D Basis Functions $N=8$

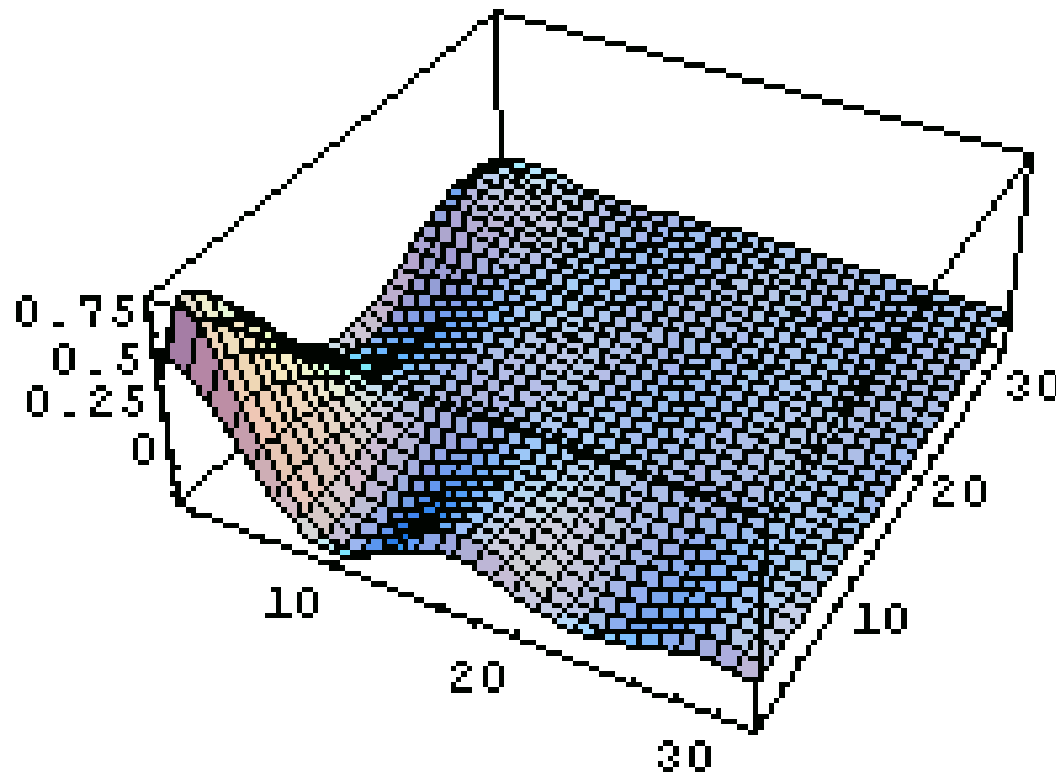


Separability of DCT

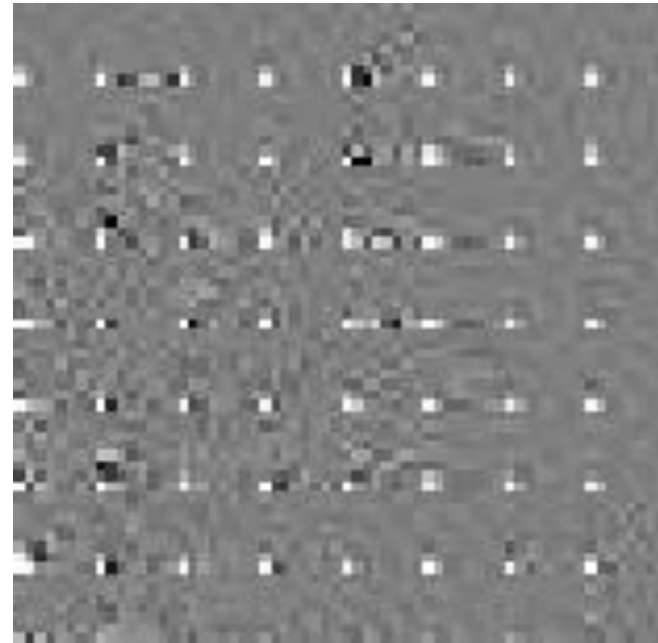


Example: 2D signal

$$x[n_1, n_2] = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 \leq n_1 \leq 2, \quad 0 \leq n_2 \leq 4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



Example: 8x8 Block DCT



Example: Energy Compaction

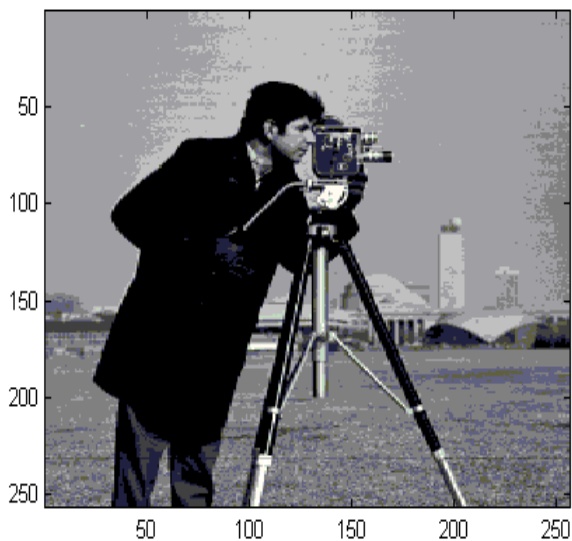
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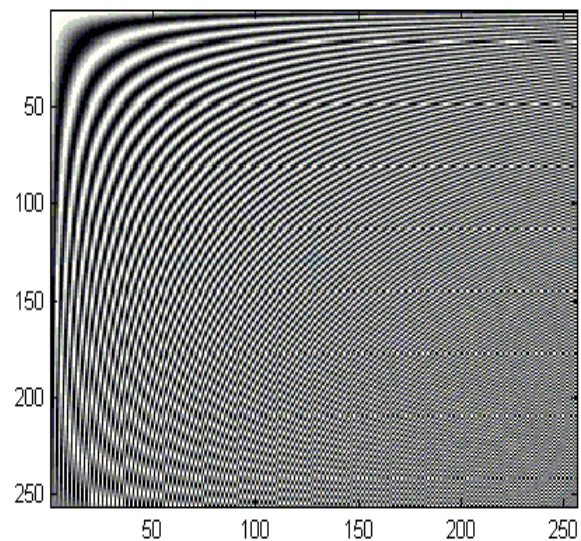
- 2D DCT



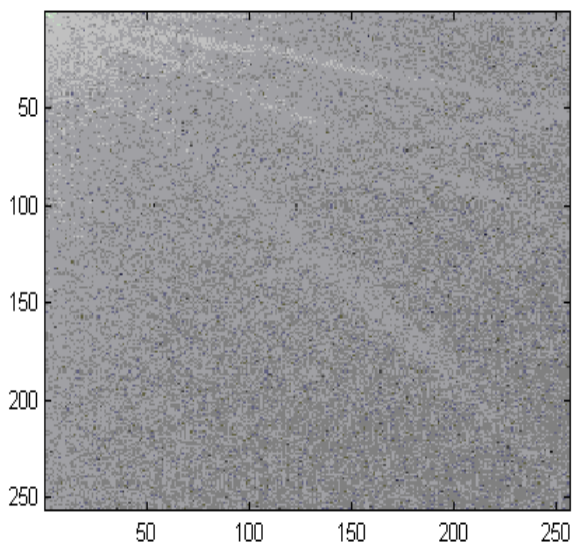
Experiment that demonstrates the superiority of DCT in terms of energy compaction



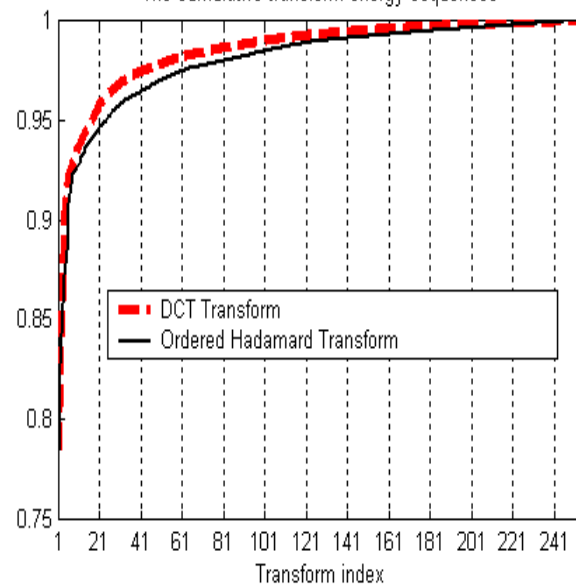
A visual representation of the 256x256 DCT matrix



Log DCT of 'Cameraman'. TRANSFORM=DCT * IMAGE * DCT'



The cumulative transform energy sequences



Relation between DCT and DFT

Define

$$g(x) = f(x) + f(2N - 1 - x)$$

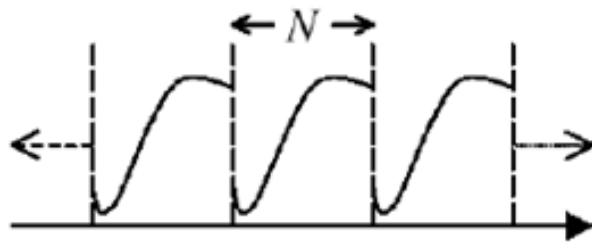
$$= \begin{cases} f(x), & 0 \leq x \leq N - 1 \\ f(2N - 1 - x), & N \leq x \leq 2N - 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 N\text{-point} & & 2N\text{-point} & \text{DFT} & 2N\text{-point} & & N\text{-point} \\
 f(x) & \rightarrow & g(x) & \rightarrow & G(u) & \rightarrow & C_f(u)
 \end{array}$$

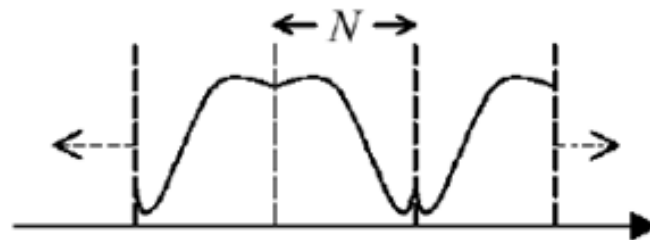
Relation between DCT and DFT

DCT has a higher compression ration than DFT

- DCT avoids the generation of spurious spectral components



DFT periodicity



DCT periodicity

Using DCT for Image Compression

