

## Run length coding

• Represent the sequence of values  $X_n$  by values and # of repetitions

• (Value), (# of repetitions)  
 $\geq 1$   
 $\leq 2^b$

Example:  $X_n \in \{0, 1, 2\}$

00 000 11 00000 2 000

05 12 05 21 03

Example:  
Let  $b = 3$

00000000 00

08 02

$$\begin{aligned} \# \text{ of code values} &= M \cdot 2^b \\ &= (\# \text{ of symbols}) (\text{max run length}) \end{aligned}$$

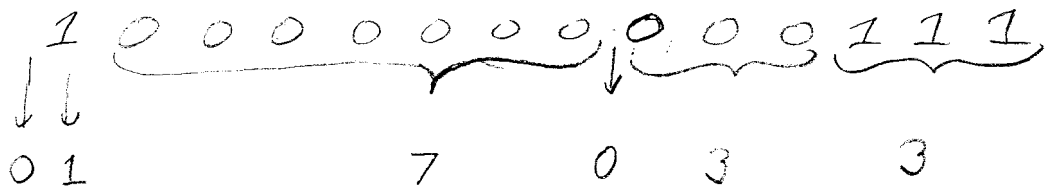
Alternative method

$$x_n \in \{0, 1\}$$

- Start with 0
- Run lengths of length  $0 = (2^b - 1)$

(run length) (run length)

Example  $b=3$

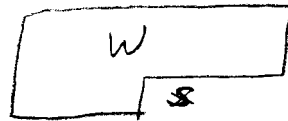


Comments

- 1) Run length coding reduces redundancy
- 2) Requires subsequent Huffman coding for further compression

## Predictive Coding (Lossless)

- Let  $X_s \in \{0, 1\}$  binary  
 $s \in \mathbb{Z}^2$
- Let  $W$  be a causal window



- Compute  $p(X_s | X_{s+n} \in W)$

- Predict  $X_s$  as

$$\hat{X}_s = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p(1 | X_{s+n} \in W) > p(0 | X_{s+n} \in W) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$\hat{X}_s$  is the minimum probability of error predictor

- If  $X_s = \hat{X}_s \Rightarrow$  send 0  
 $X_s \neq \hat{X}_s \Rightarrow$  send 1

- Run length code and Huffman code result.

How to pick  $P(x_s | x_n, n \in W)$ ?

Strategy 1) Fixed predictor

- a) Select of set of "typical" images
- b) at each pixel of each image, form the vector  $Z_s = (X_{s+r_1}, \dots, X_{s+r_p})$  where  $\{r_1, \dots, r_p\} \in W$
- c) Compute histograms  $h(i, j)$

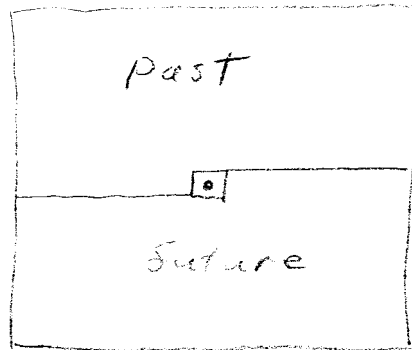
$$h(i, j) = (\# \text{ of } X_s = i \text{ and } Z_s = j)$$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} j \text{ is vector valued} \\ j = (j_1, \dots, j_p) \in 2^p \end{array} \right.$

- d) Estimate  $P(x_s | z_s)$  as

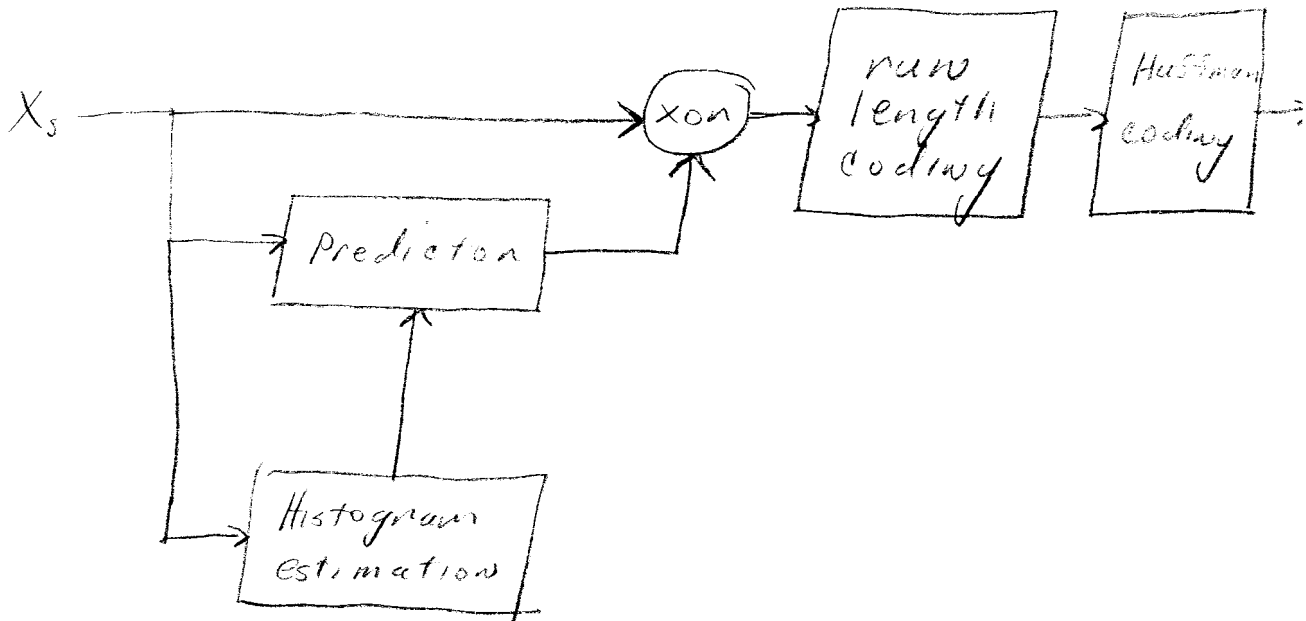
$$\hat{P}(x_s | z_s) = \frac{h(x, j')}{\sum_{x=0}^1 h(x, j')}$$

## Strategy 2) Adaptive Predictor

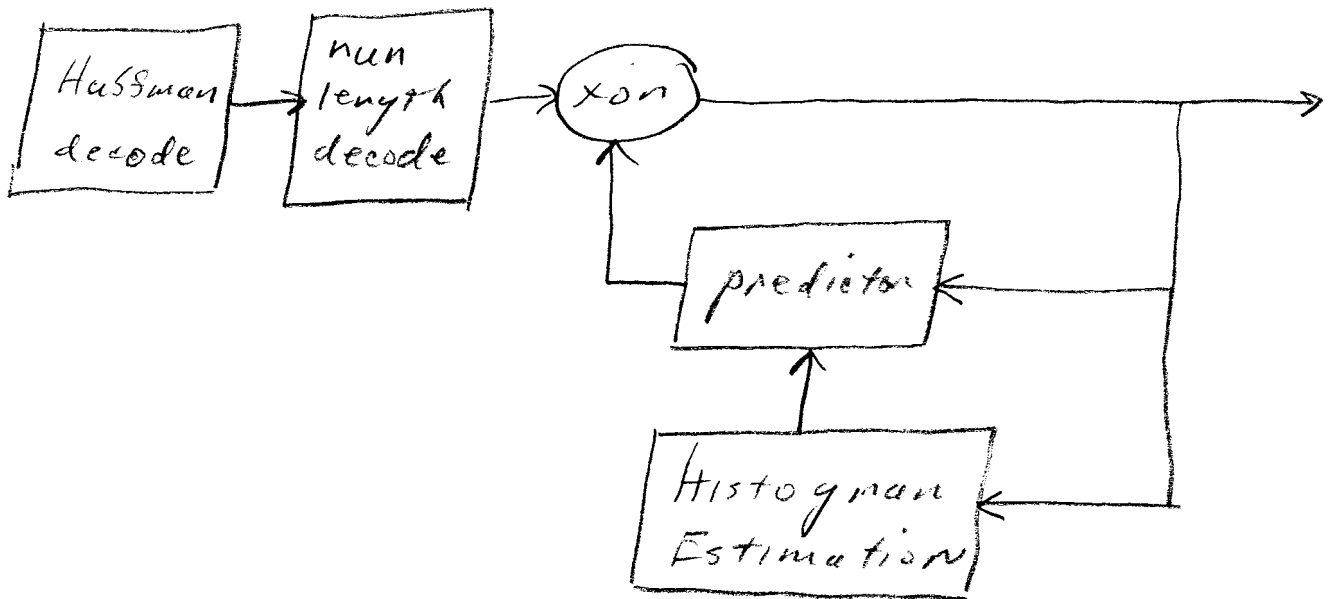


- Use all past points to estimate  $\hat{p}(x_s | z_s)$
- These points are also available at decoder

# Lossless Predictive Encoder



# Decoder



# Lossy Coding

Rate-distortion theory

- For each level of distortion there is an optimal bit rate

Define

$X_n \in \{0, \dots, M-1\}$  ← source symbols

$X$  ← input signal  $X_0, \dots, X_{N-1}$

$N$  ← number of symbols

$Y$  ← coded image; binary sequence of length  $K$

$Z$  ← decoded signal  $Z_0, \dots, Z_{N-1}$

$$\frac{K}{N \log_2 M} = \text{compression ratio}$$

$$\frac{K}{N} = \text{bit rate} \left( \frac{\text{bits}}{\text{pixel}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} d(x, z) &= \text{distortion measure} \\ &= \|x - z\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I(x, z) &\triangleq \int -p(x) \log_2 p(x) dx \\ &\quad - \int -p(x, z) \log_2 p(x|z) dx dz \\ &= \text{mutual information} \end{aligned}$$

Distortion

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \frac{1}{N} E [d(x, z)] \\ &= \frac{1}{N} E [\|x - z\|^2] \end{aligned}$$

Rate

$$R(\delta) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{N} \inf_{\text{all } z\text{'s}} \{ I(x, z) : D \leq \delta \}$$

Comment:

Usually  $D(\delta)$  and  $R(\delta)$  are lock functions of a free parameter  $\delta$ .



## Theorems (loosely stated)

1)  $R(\delta)$  is a monotone decreasing function of  $\delta$

2) There exists some  $\delta$  such that  $R(\delta) = 0$

3)  $R(\delta)$  is a convex function

4) Shannon's source coding theorem:  
For any  $R' > R(\delta)$   $D' > D(\delta)$ , and  $N$  sufficiently large, there exists a code which achieves

$$\frac{K}{N} < R' \quad E[d(x, z)] < D'$$

• In other words, we can achieve a bit rate arbitrarily close to  $R(\delta)$  at distortion  $D(\delta)$

• Proof works by selecting codewords,  $z$ , randomly with distribution of  $x$

Example 1)

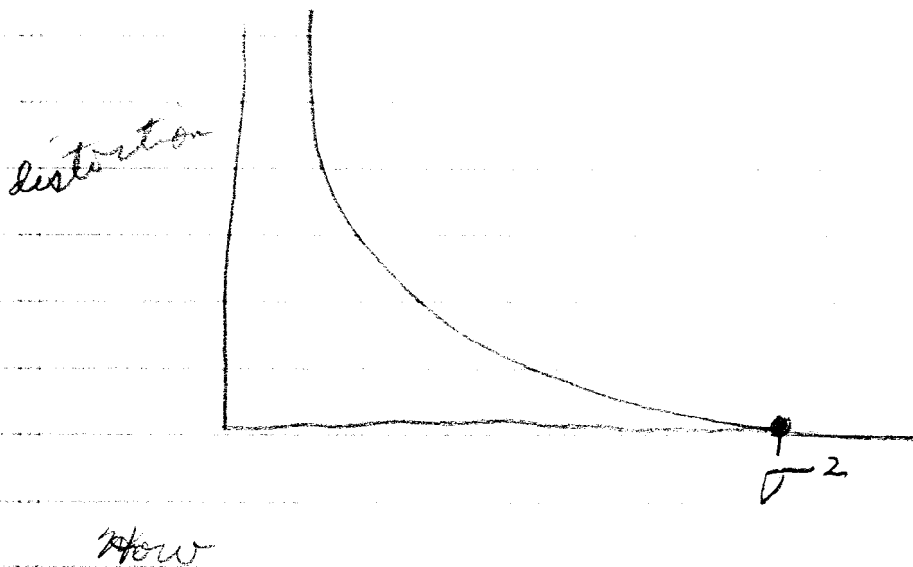
$$X \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \text{ RV}$$

$$d(x, z) = |x - z|^2$$

Can be shown that

$$R(\delta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{\sigma^2}{\delta} & \text{for } \delta \leq \sigma^2 \\ 0 & \text{for } \delta > \sigma^2 \end{cases}$$

$$D(\delta) = \min(\sigma^2, \delta)$$



Example 2)

$$X \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

$$X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, B)$$

$$B = E^T \Lambda E$$

where  $E$  is an orthonormal matrix of eigenvectors and  $\Lambda$  is a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues

Then let

$$\tilde{X} = EX$$

$$\tilde{B} = E [ \tilde{X} \tilde{X}^T ]$$

$$= E [ EXX^TE^T ]$$

$$= EBE^T = [E^T \Lambda E^T E]$$

$$= \Lambda = \text{diag} \{ \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p \}$$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{X}$  are independent

Since  $E$  is orthonormal

$$E [ \|X - z\|^2 ] = E [ \|\tilde{X} - \tilde{z}\|^2 ]$$

$\Rightarrow$  Rate distortion of  $X$  and  $\tilde{X}$  are the same

Can be show that

$$R(\delta) = \sum_{i=1}^P \max\left(0, \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{\sigma_i^2}{\delta}\right)$$

$$D(\delta) = \sum_{i=1}^P \min(\sigma_i^2, \delta)$$

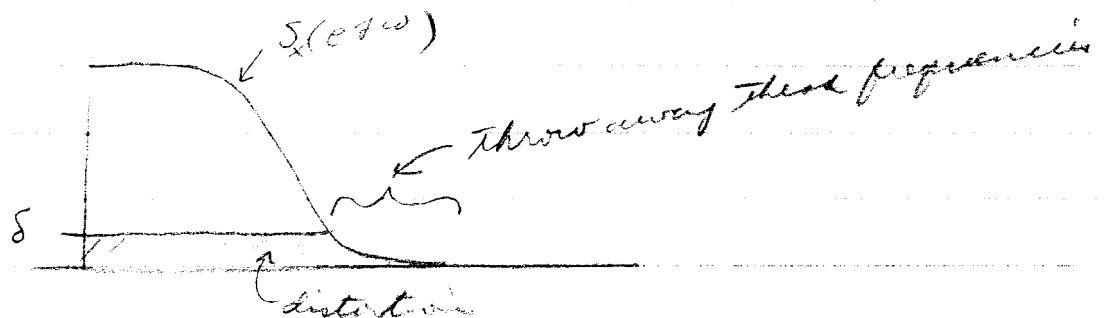
$\Rightarrow$  Throw away smallest eigenvalues

Example 3)

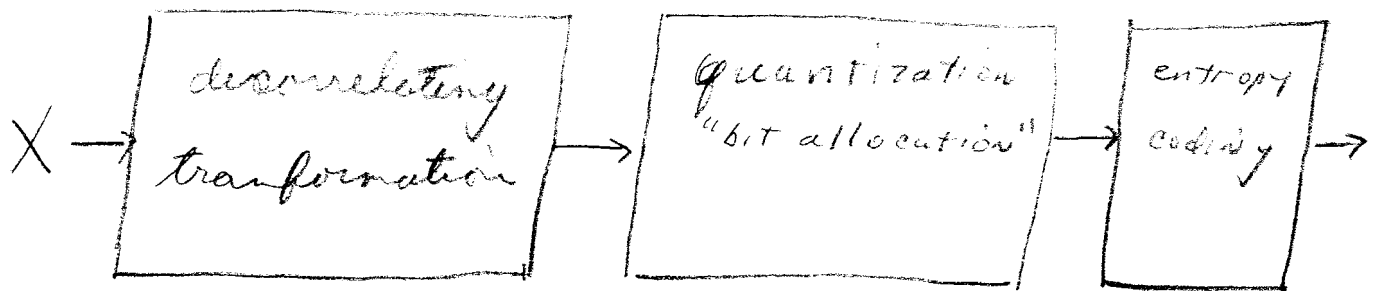
MSE Coding of DT Gaussian random process  
with power spectrum  $S_x(e^{j\omega})$ ,

$$R(\delta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \max\left(0, \frac{1}{2} \log_2 \frac{S_x(e^{j\omega})}{\delta}\right) d\omega$$

$$D(\delta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \min(S_x(e^{j\omega}), \delta) d\omega$$



## General Code Structure



## Typical Transformations

### Block Transforms

- 1) KLT
- 2) DCT (JPEG)

### Other Transforms

- 1) QMF (subband)
- 2) Wavelet

## Typical Quantizers

- 1) Uniform scalar
- 2) Nonuniform scalar
- 3) Vector quantization
- 4) More bits for low spatial frequencies  $\Rightarrow$  not MSE distortion

## Block coding using Karhunen-Loève (KL) Transform

- 1) Break image into  $N \times N$  blocks
- 2) Form vectors  $X_n \in \mathbb{R}^{N^2}$  for each block.
- 3) Compute KL transform

$$C = E [X_n X_n^T]$$

$$C = E^T \Lambda E$$

$E$  - orthonormal

$$\Lambda = \text{diag}(\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_{N^2}^2)$$

where  $\sigma_1^2 > \sigma_2^2 > \dots > \sigma_{N^2}^2$

- 4)  $\tilde{X}_n = E X_n$

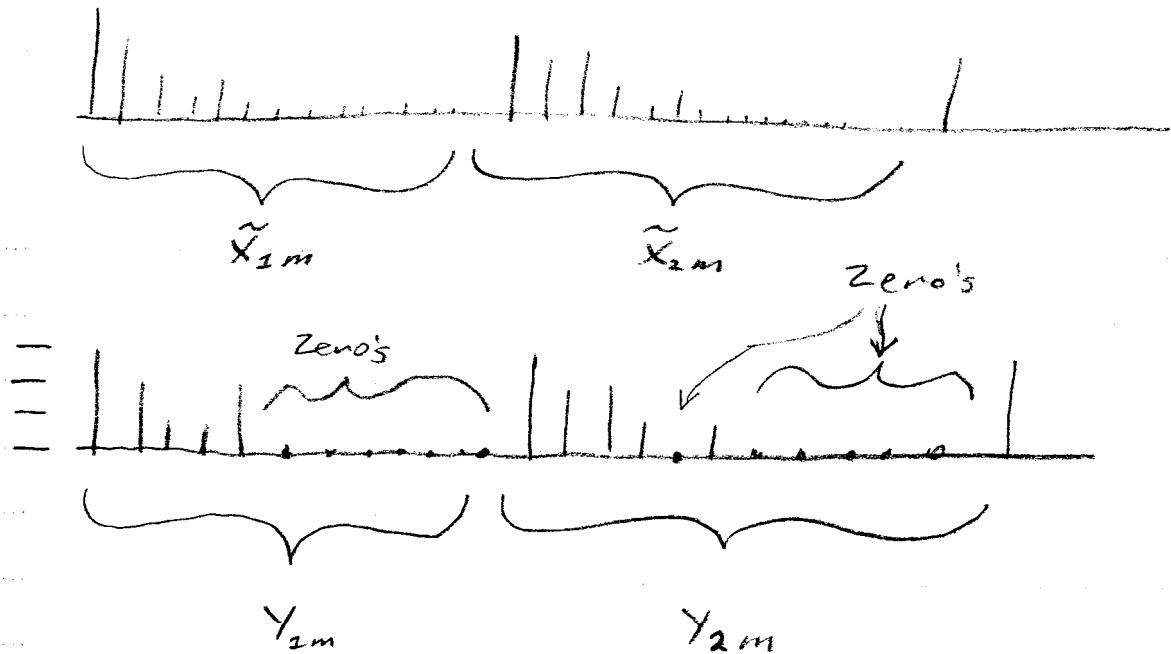
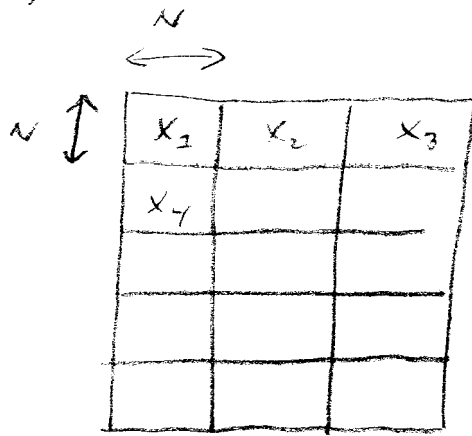
- 5) Apply (uniform) scalar quantization

$$Y_{nm} = Q(\tilde{X}_{nm})$$

$\uparrow$   
 $1 \leq m \leq N^2$

- 6) Run length and Entropy code  $Y_{nm}$

Example



Comments:

- 1) Transform matrix  $E$  must be "provided" to decoder.
- 2) Runs of zeros compress well
- 3) MMSE - not minimum visual error
- 4) Non uniform quantizer may improve rate/distortion performance.



# Block coding Using Discrete Cosine Transform

$$\underline{DCT} \quad k, n \in \{0, \dots, N-1\}$$

$$F(k) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n) c(k) \cos \frac{\pi(2n+1)k}{2N}$$

where

$$c(k) = \begin{cases} 1 & k=0 \\ \sqrt{2} & k=1, \dots, N-1 \end{cases}$$

$$f(n) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} F(k) c(k) \cos \left( \frac{\pi(2n+1)k}{2N} \right)$$

Define:

$$T_{kn} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} c(k) \cos \left( \frac{\pi(2n+1)k}{2N} \right)$$

1)  $T$  is an orthonormal transform

$$T^{-1} = T$$

2) Real valued

3) Not the real part of a DFT

## Relationship to DFT

$$F(k) = \frac{c(k)}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n) \cos\left(\frac{\pi(2n+1)k}{2N}\right)$$

$$= \frac{c(k)}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n) \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-j \frac{2\pi nk}{2N}} e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{c(k)}{\sqrt{N}} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} f(n) e^{-j \frac{2\pi nk}{2N}} \right\}$$

Define

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

$$0 \leq k \leq N-1$$

$$F(k) = \frac{c(k)}{\sqrt{N}} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} \underbrace{\sum_{n=0}^{2N-1} f_p(n) e^{-j \frac{2\pi nk}{2N}}}_{F_p(k)} \right\}$$

$$F_p(k) = \underline{\underline{\text{DFT}}}\{f_p(n)\}$$

$$= \frac{c(k)}{\sqrt{N}} \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} F_p(k) \right\}$$

$$= \frac{c(k)}{2\sqrt{N}} \left( F_p(k) e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} + F_p(k) e^{+j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{c(k) e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}}}{2\sqrt{N}} \left( F_p(k) + F_p(k) e^{+j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} \right)$$

$$= \frac{c(k) e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}}}{2\sqrt{N}} \left( F_p(k) + \underbrace{\left( F_p(k) e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} \right)^*}_{\text{delay by 1 sample}} \right)$$

Notice that for  $N=4$

$$\begin{aligned} F_p(k) &\Leftrightarrow a b c d 0 0 0 0 \\ F_p(k) e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}} &\Leftrightarrow 0 a b c d 0 0 0 \\ (F_p(k) e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}})^* &\Leftrightarrow 0 0 0 0 d c b a \end{aligned}$$

$$F_p(k) + (F_p(k) e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}})^* \Leftrightarrow a b c d b c b a$$


Define

$$f_r(n) = (f(0), \dots, f(N-1), f(N-1), \dots, f(0))$$

$$F_r(k) = \text{DFT} \{ f_r(n) \}$$

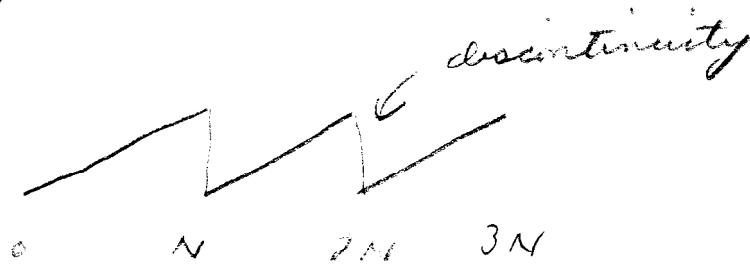
$$F(k) = \frac{c(k) e^{-j \frac{\pi k}{2N}}}{2\sqrt{N}} F_r(k)$$

$\uparrow$  DCT  $\uparrow$  DFT of reflected signal

  
 real valued

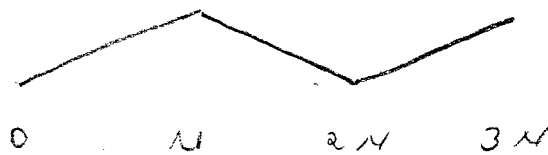
Intuition:

- DFT is transform of periodic extension of signal



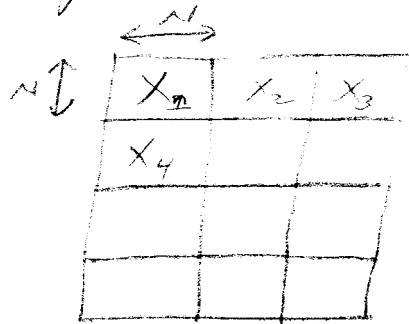
- Discontinuities create high frequency "noise" that must be coded

- DCT is a smoother extension of signal  
⇒ less high frequency energy to code.



## 2-D DCT

Apply DCT to rows and columns

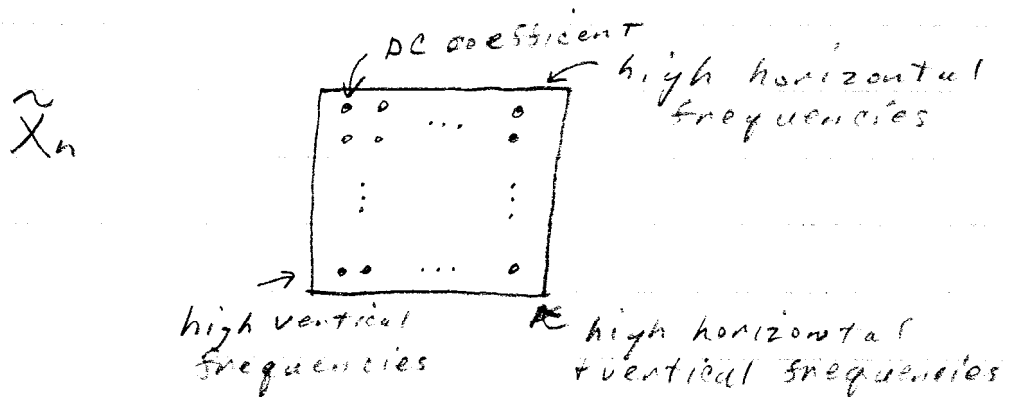


$X_n$  is an  $N \times N$  matrix

$T X_n \leftarrow$  DCT applied to each column of  $X_n$

$X_n T^* \leftarrow$  DCT applied to each row of  $X_n$

$\tilde{X}_n = T X_n T^* \leftarrow$  2-D DCT of  $X_n$



## Threshold matrix

$\Delta \leftarrow N \times N$  threshold matrix

$Q(\cdot) \leftarrow$  uniform quantizer with step size of 1

$$Y_{nij} = Q(X_{nij} / \Delta_{ij})$$

Larger  $\Delta_{mn} \Rightarrow$  larger quantization step size  
 $\Rightarrow$  more distortion at frequencies corresponding to  $X_{mn}$

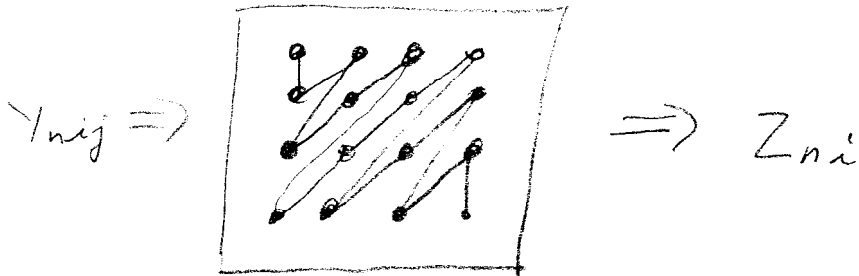
Objective: Choose  $\Delta_{ij}$  to be well matched to human visual system

Higher frequencies  $\Rightarrow$  larger  $\Delta_{mn}$

• JPEG threshold matrix is important.

# Diagonal Scan Patterns

4x4 DCT



- Smallest coefficients are scanned last.
- Most high frequency coefficients are zero.
- Runs of zero compress effectively

## Summary of Basic Block Transform Coding Algorithm (JPEG)

- 1) Break image into blocks of size  $N \times N$
- 2) Compute  $N \times N$  DCT on each block
- 3) Divide by threshold matrix  $Q_{i,j}$  and quantize with  $Q(\cdot)$  to form  $Y_{i,j}$
- 4) For each  $i$ , perform zigzag scan to form  $Z_{i,j}$
- 5) For each  $i$ , run length code  $Z_{i,j}$ , entropy code result.