

Problem 3: Suppose in a volume (3D) parallel projection system, we take projections in directions that uniformly sample the unit sphere of possible directions. Each such projection gives us information about a slice of the 3D Fourier transform that passes through the origin and is perpendicular to the direction of projection. How does the sampling density vary with radial frequency ω ?

If we simply backproject the accumulated projection data without filtering, we will not obtain the correct density distribution. Describe how the resulting estimate of the density distribution is corrupted by describing what happens to low frequency components versus what happens to high frequencies.

What kind of filter is needed to undo this effect? Describe the filter in the frequency domain (you need not find its inverse Fourier transform).

Problem 4:

The Modulation Transfer Function (MTF) of an ideal round lens is the convolution of constant height circular disc with itself. Find the convolution of

$$m(u, v) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi\omega_0^2} & \text{for } u^2 + v^2 \leq \omega_0^2 \\ 0 & \text{for } u^2 + v^2 > \omega_0^2 \end{cases}$$

with itself.

Does the transfer function have an absolute limit beyond which no frequency component is passed?

Is the transfer function flat near zero frequency?

Problem 5: In the inverse problem of solving for x given

$$y = \sin x \quad \text{with} \quad -\pi/2 \leq x \leq +\pi/2$$

what is the relationship between variance σ_x^2 in the estimated value of x , and the variance σ_y^2 in noisy measurement of y ?

For what values of y is there large amplification of error in the inversion?