

## Lecture 1. Convolution integral and digital filters

### 1.1. Imaging transforms and principles of their discrete representation

The consistency principle and the mutual correspondence principle between continuous and digital transformations.

Main assumption: signal discrete representation through shift sampling  $\{\varphi_k^{(s)}(x) = \varphi^{(s)}[x - (k + u^{(s)})\Delta x]\}$  and reconstruction  $\{\varphi_k^{(r)}(x) = \varphi^{(r)}[x - (k + u^{(r)})\Delta x]\}$  basis functions

$$\tilde{a}(x^{(r)}) = \sum_k a_k \varphi^{(r)}(x^{(r)} - \tilde{k}^{(r)}\Delta x); \quad a_k = \int a(x)\varphi^{(s)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(s)}\Delta x)dx; \quad \tilde{k}^{(r)} = k + u^{(r)}; \quad \tilde{k}^{(s)} = k + u^{(s)}$$

### 1.2. Convolution integral and digital convolution

$$\text{Convolution integral: } b(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(\xi)h(x - \xi)d\xi \quad \Rightarrow \quad b_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n a_{k-n}$$

$\{h_n\}$  - Discrete PSF of the digital filter;

Overall PSF of the digital filter:

$$h_{\text{ovall}}(x, \xi) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \varphi^{(s)}[\xi - (k - n + u^{(s)})\Delta x] \varphi^{(r)}(x - k\Delta x - u^{(r)}\Delta x), \text{ and}$$

$$\text{Overall Freq. Response of the digital filter: } H_{\text{ovall}}(f, p) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_{\text{ovall}}(x, \xi) \exp[i2\pi(fx - p\xi)] dx d\xi$$

$$H_{\text{ovall}}(f, p) = \text{CFR\_DF}(p) \cdot \Phi^{(r)}(f) \cdot \Phi^{(s)}(-p) \cdot SV(f, p)$$

$$\text{Continuous frequency response of the digital filter: } \text{CFR\_DF}(p) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \exp(i2\pi n \Delta x)$$

$$\Phi^{(r)}(f) = \exp(i2\pi f u^{(r)} \Delta x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(r)}(x) \exp(i2\pi f x) dx; \quad \Phi^{(s)}(-p) = \exp(-i2\pi p u^{(s)} \Delta x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(s)}(\xi) \exp(-i2\pi p \xi) d\xi$$

$$SV(f, p) = N_b \text{sinc}[\pi N_b (f - p) \Delta x] \exp[\pi(N_b - 1)(f - p) \Delta x];$$

**Theorem 1.** Given signal sampling and reconstruction devices and the number of signal samples, overall frequency response of the digital filter

$$\text{CFR\_DF}(p) = \frac{\exp\left(i2\pi \frac{up}{N}\right)}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \frac{\sin\left[\pi \frac{N_h(r - p\Delta x)}{N}\right]}{\sin\left[\pi \frac{(r - p\Delta x)}{N}\right]}$$

is completely determined by coefficients  $\{\eta_r\}$  of the digital filter Discrete Frequency Response DFrR (SDFT of the filter DPSF):

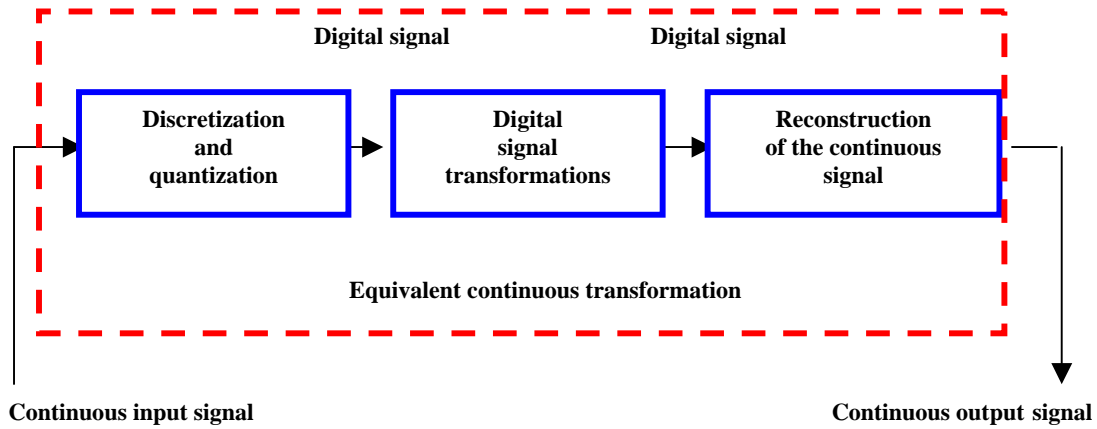
$$h_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \exp\left[-i2\pi \frac{(n+u)r}{N}\right]$$

or by its continuous frequency response

**Theorem 2.** Coefficients of Discrete Frequency Response of the digital filter are samples of its Continuous Frequency Response CFR\_DF taken with a sampling interval  $1/N\Delta x$

and

**Theorem 3** CFR\_DF of the digital filter is a discrete sinc-interpolated function of its samples

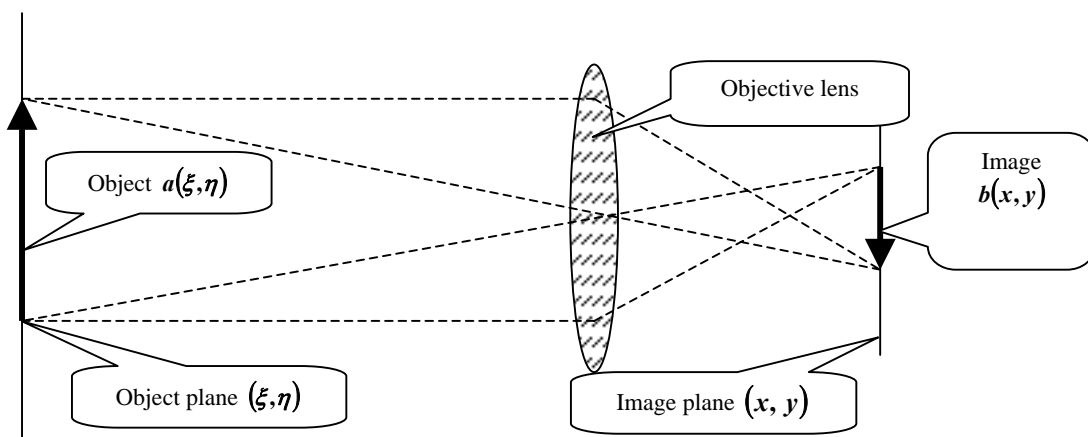


Consistency and mutual correspondence principle between continuous and digital signal transformations

**Direct imaging: man made devices**



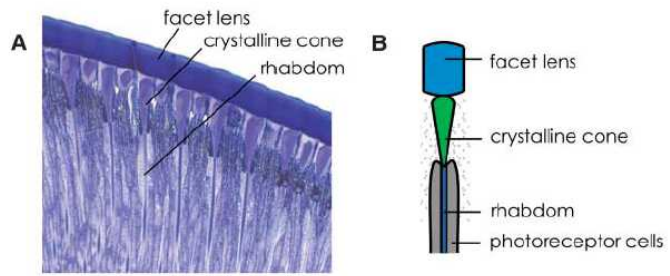
A woodcut by Albrecht Dürer showing the relationship between the light distribution on an object and image plane (adopted from R. Bracewell, Two-dimensional imaging, Prentice Hall Int. 1995)



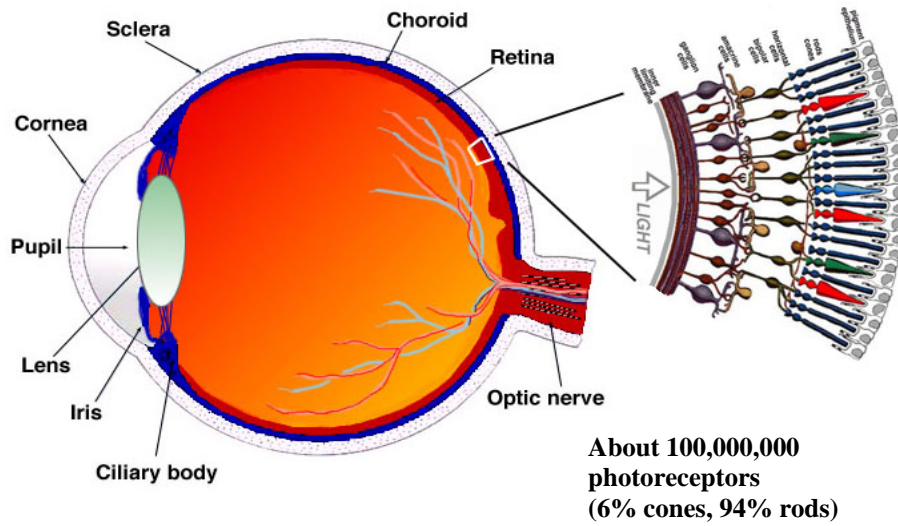
$$b(x, y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(\xi, \eta) PSF(x - \xi, y - \eta) d\xi d\eta$$

**Schematic diagram of optics of photographic and TV cameras**

## Direct imaging in animal kingdom



Compound eye of insects

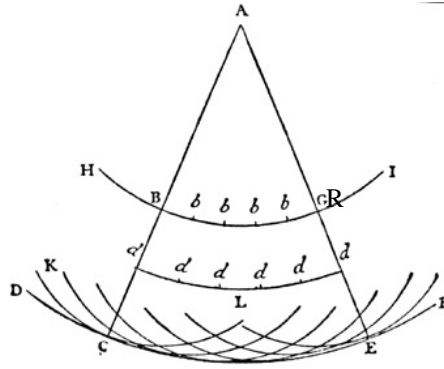


Human eye

# Transform imaging and wave propagation



C. Huygens (1629-95), Dutch physicist

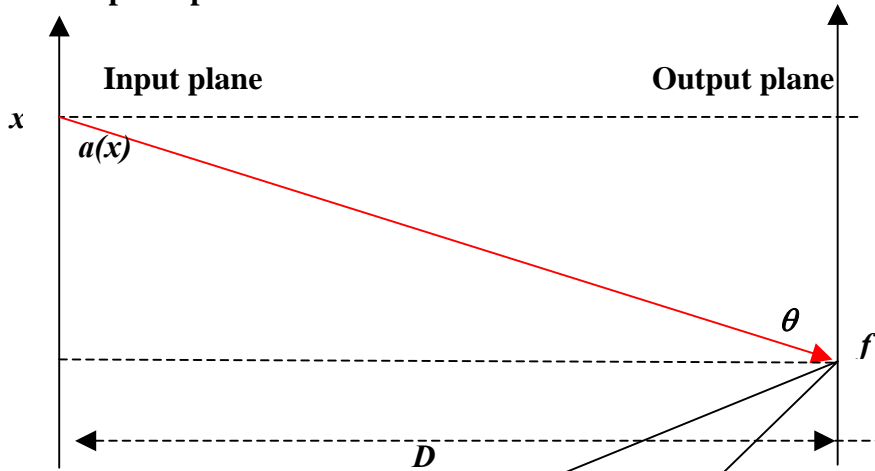


$$\frac{A}{R} \exp\left(i2\pi \frac{R}{\lambda}\right)$$



A. J. Fresnel (1788-1827), French physicist

Huygens-Fresnel principle.



$$\frac{a(x) \exp\left[i2\pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{D^2 + (x-f)^2}}{\lambda}\right)\right]}{\sqrt{D^2 + (x-f)^2}} \cos \theta = a(x) \frac{\exp\left[i2\pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{D^2 + (x-f)^2}}{\lambda}\right)\right]}{\sqrt{D^2 + (x-f)^2}} \frac{D}{\sqrt{D^2 + (x-f)^2}}$$

Point spread function of free space wave propagation	$h(x, y; f_x, f_y) = \frac{\exp\left[i2\pi \left(\frac{\sqrt{D^2 + (x-f_x)^2 + (y-f_y)^2}}{\lambda}\right)\right]}{D^2 + (x-f_x)^2 + (y-f_y)^2}$
Kirchhoff-Rayleigh-Sommerfeld integral transform	$\alpha(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(x, y) \frac{\exp\left[i2\pi \frac{D\sqrt{1 + (x-f_x)^2/D^2 + (y-f_y)^2/D^2}}{\lambda}\right]}{1 + (x-f_x)^2/D^2 + (y-f_y)^2/D^2} dx dy$
“Near zone” approximation: $D^2 \gg (x-f_x)^2 + (y-f_y)^2$ , Fresnel integral transform:	$\alpha(f_x, f_y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(x, y) \exp\left[i\pi \frac{(x-f_x)^2 + (y-f_y)^2}{\lambda D}\right] dx dy$

## Discrete representation of convolution integrals

Digital filter that corresponds to a convolution integral:

$$b(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(\xi)h(x - \xi)d\xi$$

$$a(\xi) = \sum_n a_{n(r)}\varphi^{(r)}(\xi - \tilde{n}^{(r)}\Delta x); \quad \tilde{n}^{(r)} = n + u^{(r)};$$

$$b(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_n a_{n(r)}\varphi^{(r)}(\xi - \tilde{n}^{(r)}\Delta x)h(x - \xi)d\xi = \sum_n a_{n(r)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(r)}(\xi - \tilde{n}^{(r)}\Delta x)h(x - \xi)d\xi$$

$$b_{k(s)} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} b(x)\varphi^{(s)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(s)}\Delta x)dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_n a_{n(r)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(r)}(\xi - \tilde{n}^{(r)}\Delta x)h(x - \xi)\varphi^{(s)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(s)}\Delta x)d\xi dx =$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_n a_{n(r)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(r)}(\xi - \tilde{n}^{(r)}\Delta x)h(x - \xi)\varphi^{(s)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(s)}\Delta x)d\xi dx =$$

$$\sum_n a_{n(r)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(x - \xi)\varphi^{(r)}(\xi - \tilde{n}^{(r)}\Delta x)\varphi^{(s)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(s)}\Delta x)d\xi dx =$$

$$\sum_n a_{n(r)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h[x - \xi - (\tilde{k}^{(s)} - \tilde{n}^{(r)})\Delta x]\varphi^{(r)}(\xi)\varphi^{(s)}(x)d\xi dx$$

$$h_{k-n} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h[x - \xi - (\tilde{k}^{(s)} - \tilde{n}^{(r)})\Delta x]\varphi^{(r)}(\xi)\varphi^{(s)}(x)d\xi dx =$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h[x - \xi - (k - n)\Delta x + (u^{(s)} - u^{(r)})]\varphi^{(r)}(\xi)\varphi^{(s)}(x)d\xi dx$$

$$b_k = \sum_n a_n h_{k-n};$$

Assume  $n \in [-\infty, \infty]$ :

$$b_k = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} a_n h_{k-n} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} h_n a_{k-n}$$

Overall continuous PSF of the digital filter:

$$b_k = \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n a_{k-n}$$

$$b(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} b_k \varphi^{(r)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(r)}\Delta x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n a_{k-n} \varphi^{(r)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(r)}\Delta x)$$

$$a_{k-n} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(\xi)\varphi^{(s)}[\xi - (k - n)\Delta x + u^{(s)}\Delta x]d\xi$$

$$b(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} b_k \varphi^{(r)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(r)}\Delta x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n a_{k-n} \varphi^{(r)}(x - \tilde{k}^{(r)}\Delta x) =$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(\xi)\varphi^{(s)}[\xi - (k - n + u^{(s)})\Delta x]d\xi \right\} \varphi^{(r)}(x - k\Delta x - u^{(r)}\Delta x) =$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(\xi) d\xi \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \varphi^{(s)}[\xi - (k-n+u^{(s)})\Delta x] \varphi^{(r)}(x - k\Delta x - u^{(r)}\Delta x)$$

$$h_{ovall}(x, \xi) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \varphi^{(s)}[\xi - (k-n+u^{(s)})\Delta x] \varphi^{(r)}(x - k\Delta x - u^{(r)}\Delta x)$$

Overall continuous frequency response of digital filter:

$$H_{ovall}(f, p) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h_{ovall}(x, \xi) \exp[i2\pi(fx - p\xi)] dx d\xi =$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \varphi^{(s)}[\xi - (k-n+u^{(s)})\Delta x] \varphi^{(r)}(x - k\Delta x - u^{(r)}\Delta x) \right\} \exp[i2\pi(fx - p\xi)] dx d\xi =$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(s)}[\xi - (k-n+u^{(s)})\Delta x] \varphi^{(r)}(x - k\Delta x - u^{(r)}\Delta x) \exp[i2\pi(fx - p\xi)] dx d\xi =$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \exp\{i2\pi[f(k\Delta x + u^{(r)}\Delta x) - p(k-n)\Delta x + u^{(s)}\Delta x]\} \times$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(s)}(\bar{\xi}) \exp(-i2\pi p\bar{\xi}) d\bar{\xi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(r)}(x) \exp(i2\pi fx) dx =$$

$$\sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \exp[i2\pi(f-p)k\Delta x] \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \exp(i2\pi pn\Delta x) \times$$

$$\left\{ \exp(-i2\pi pu^{(s)}\Delta x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(s)}(\bar{\xi}) \exp(-i2\pi p\bar{\xi}) d\bar{\xi} \right\} \left\{ \exp(i2\pi fu^{(r)}\Delta x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(r)}(x) \exp(i2\pi fx) dx \right\} =$$

$$SV(f, p) CFR\_DF(p) \Phi^s(-p) \Phi^r(f);$$

where  $\Phi^r(f)$  is frequency response of the signal reconstruction device:

$$\Phi^r(f) = \exp(i2\pi fu^{(r)}\Delta x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(r)}(x) \exp(i2\pi fx) dx$$

$\Phi^s(-p)$  is frequency response of the signal sampling device:

$$\Phi^s(-p) = \exp(-i2\pi pu^{(s)}\Delta x) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi^{(s)}(\bar{\xi}) \exp(-i2\pi p\bar{\xi}) d\bar{\xi}$$

$CFR\_DF(p)$  is continuous frequency response of the digital filter:

$$CFR\_DF(p) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \exp(i2\pi pn\Delta x)$$

$SV(f, p) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \exp[i2\pi(f-p)k\Delta x]$  is a "Filter space-variance" term.

Continuous frequency response of the digital filter:

$$CFR\_DF(p) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \exp(i2\pi pn\Delta x);$$

Let discrete signal has  $N$  samples and let  $\{\eta_r\}$  be Discrete Fourier Transform coefficients of discrete PSF  $\{h_n\}$  of the digital filter:

$$h_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \exp\left[-i2\pi \frac{(n+u)r}{N}\right]$$

Then

$$CFR\_DF(p) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} h_n \exp(i2\pi n \Delta x) = \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \exp\left[-i2\pi \frac{(n+u)r}{N}\right] \right] \exp(i2\pi n \Delta x) =$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \left[ \sum_{n=0}^{N_h-1} \exp\left(-i2\pi \frac{n(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right) \right] \exp\left(-i2\pi \frac{ur}{N}\right) =$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \frac{\exp\left(-i2\pi \frac{N_h(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right) - 1}{\exp\left(-i2\pi \frac{(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right) - 1} \exp\left(-i2\pi \frac{ur}{N}\right) =$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \frac{\sin\left[\pi \frac{N_h(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right]}{\sin\left[\pi \frac{(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right]} \exp\left[-i\pi \frac{(N_h-1)(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right] \exp\left(-i2\pi \frac{ur}{N}\right) =$$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \frac{\sin\left[\pi \frac{N_h(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right]}{\sin\left[\pi \frac{(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right]} \exp\left(-i\pi \frac{[(N_h-1)+2u]r}{N}\right) \exp\left(i2\pi \frac{up}{N}\right);$$

Selection  $u = -(N_h - 1)/2$  gives:

$$CFR\_DF(p) = \frac{\exp\left(i2\pi \frac{up}{N}\right)}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{r=0}^{N-1} \eta_r \frac{\sin\left[\pi \frac{N_h(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right]}{\sin\left[\pi \frac{(r-p\Delta x)}{N}\right]};$$

“Filter space-variance” term:

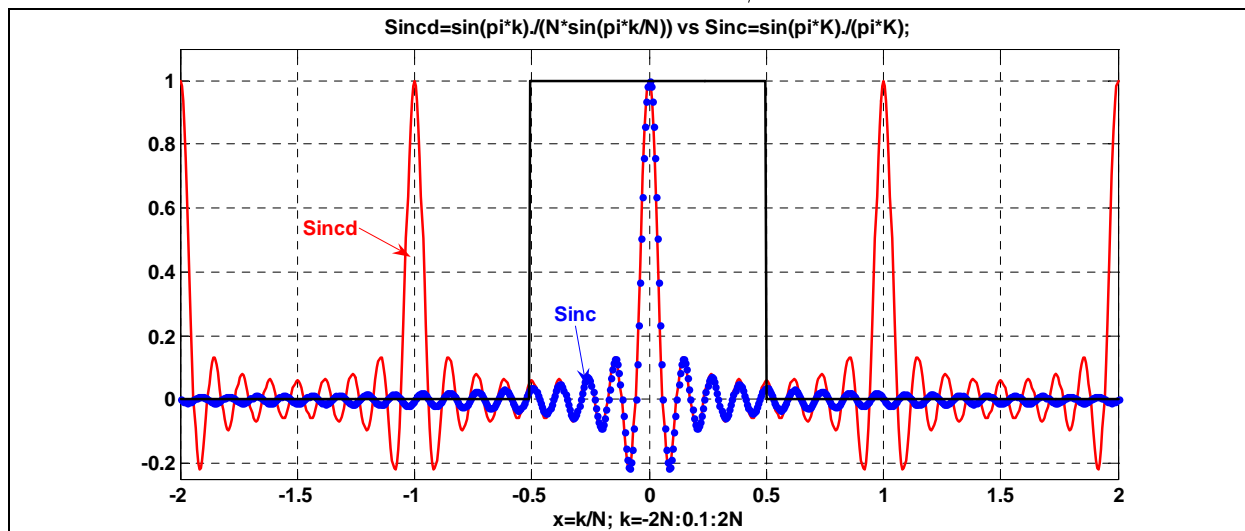
$$SV(f, p) = \sum_{k=0}^{N_b-1} \exp[i2\pi(f-p)k\Delta x] = \frac{\exp[i2\pi N_b(f-p)\Delta x] - 1}{\exp[i2\pi(f-p)\Delta x] - 1} =$$

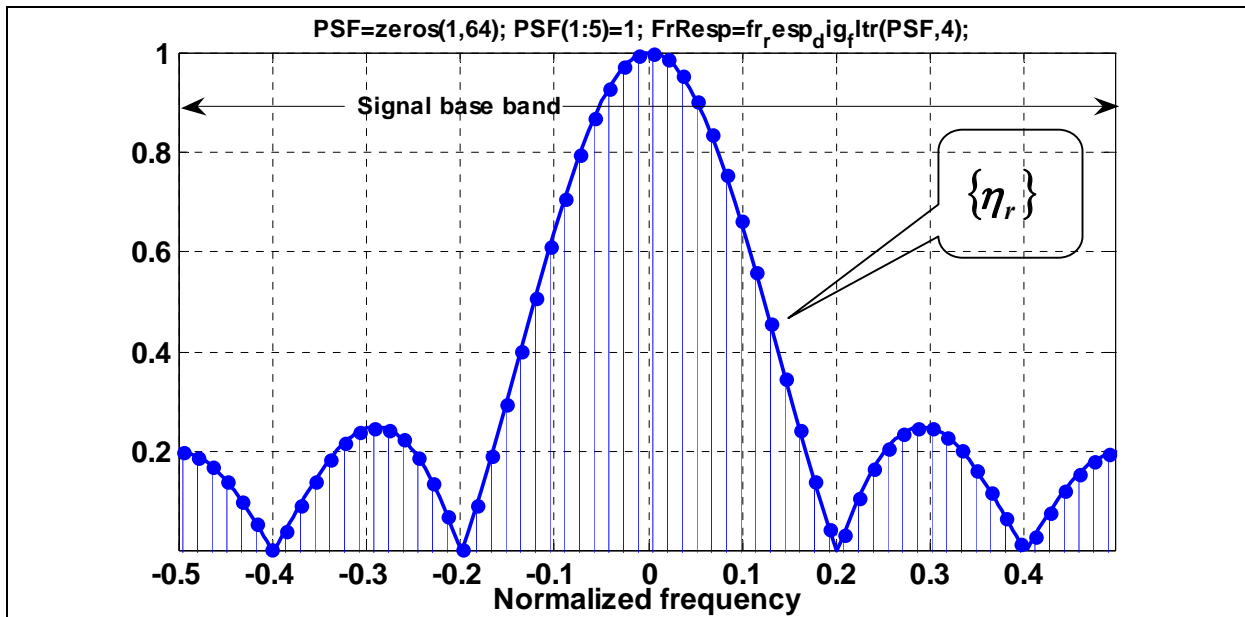
$$N_b \frac{\sin[\pi N_b(f-p)\Delta x]}{N_b \sin[\pi(f-p)\Delta x]} \exp[\pi(N_b-1)(f-p)\Delta x] =$$

$$N_b \operatorname{sincd}[\pi N_b(f-p)\Delta x] \exp[\pi(N_b-1)(f-p)\Delta x],$$

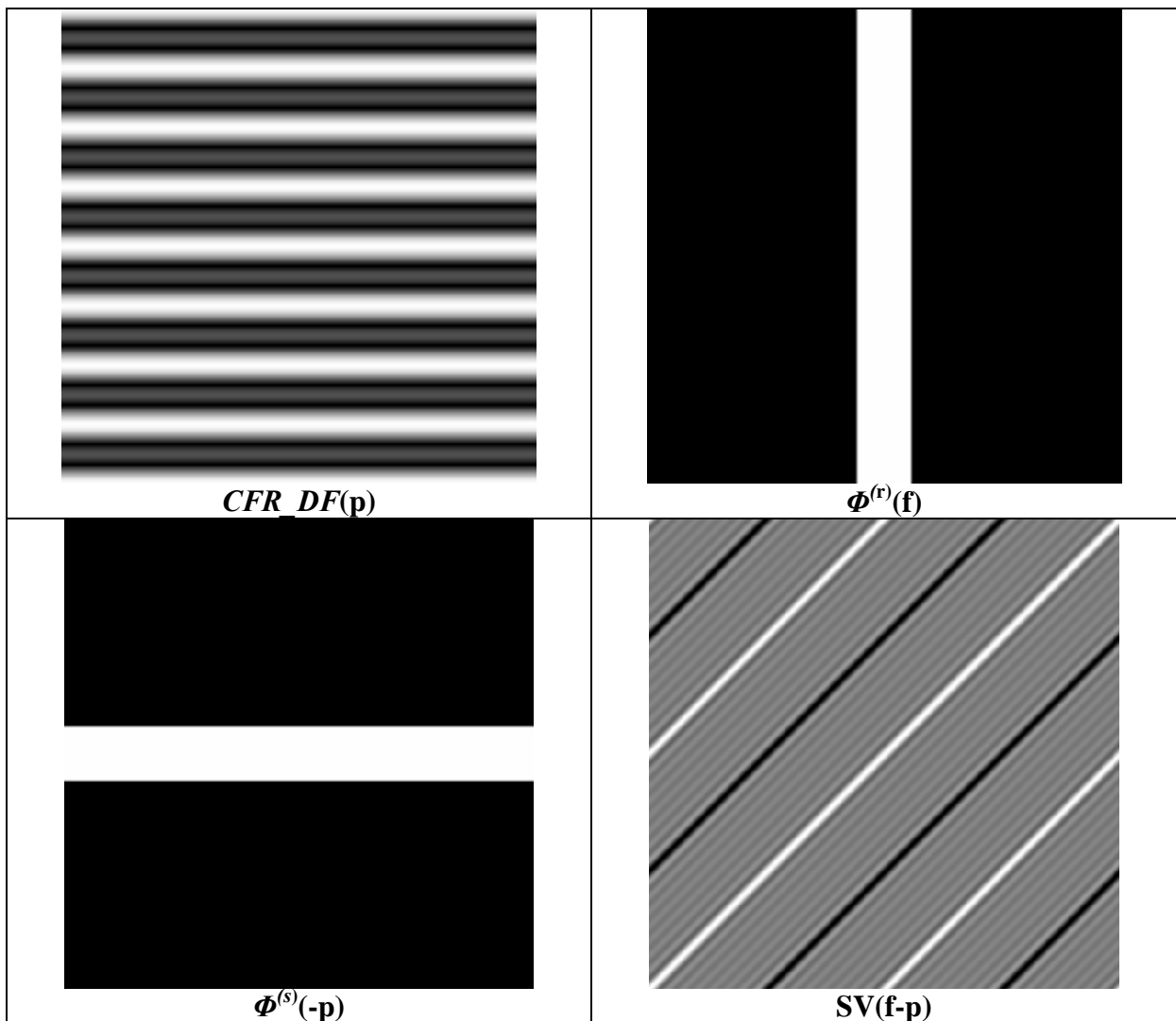
where

$$\operatorname{sincd}(N, x) = \frac{\sin x}{N \sin x/N}$$

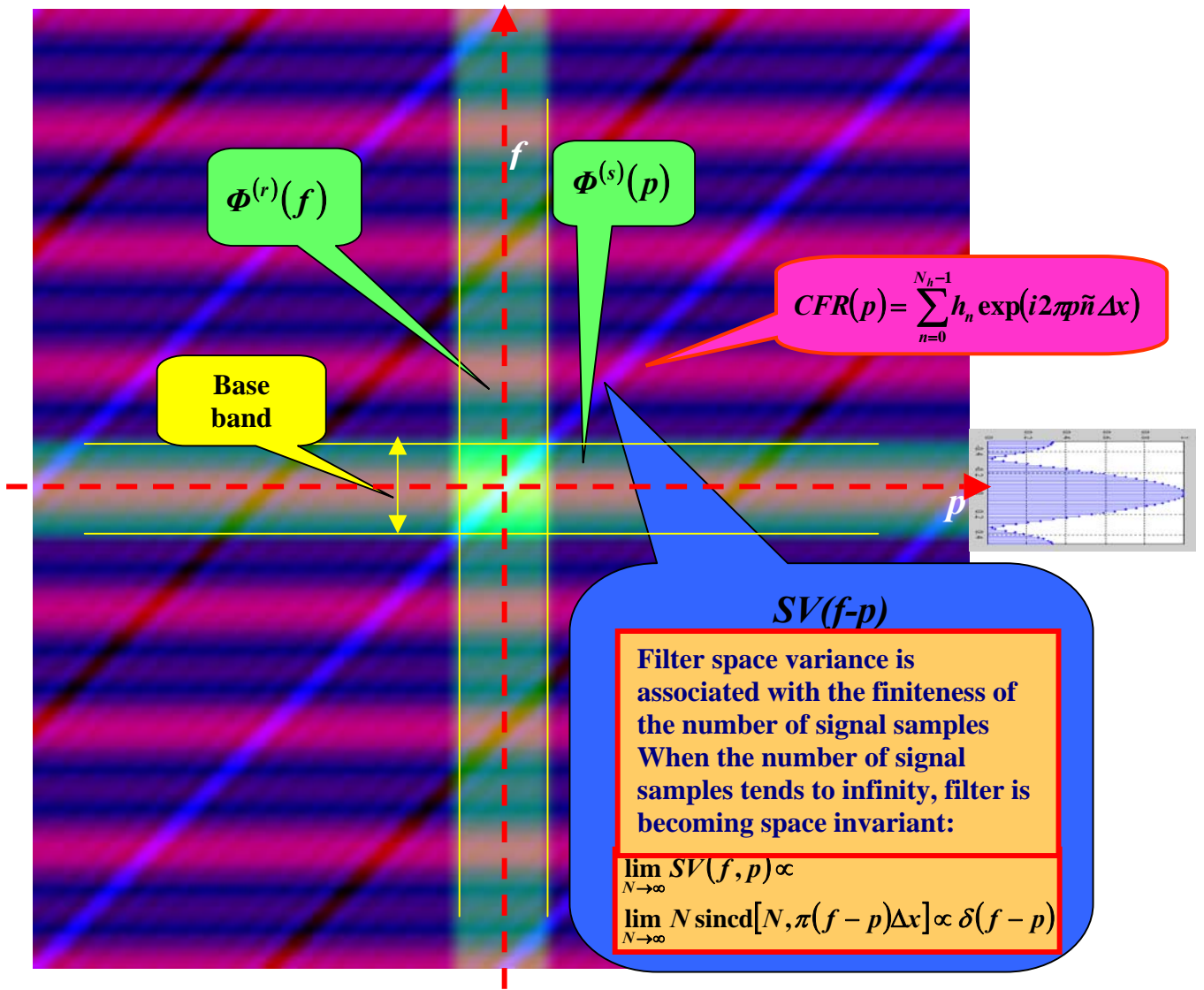




Continuous frequency response and its samples (marked by circles) of a digital filter that computes signal local mean over 5/64 of signal size







Overall frequency response of a digital filter