Material for Chapter 6:

Basic Principles of Tomography



Figure 1: Radon Transform: Attenuation Source: http://en.wikimedia.org/wiki/Image:Radon_transform.png

Parallel scanning geometry I



Figure 2: Dual motion scanner. **Top:** One source, one detector. **Bottom:** One source, several detectors. Source: Natterer & Wübbeling, 2001.

Parallel scanning geometry II



Figure 3: Fan beam scannng. Left: Rotating detector-source system. Right: Stationary detector ring, rotating source. Source: Natterer & Wübbeling, 2001.

Projections I





Parallel Projections



Figure 5: Parallel projections are taken by measuring a set of parallel rays for a number of different angles. Source: Rosenfeld & Kak, 1982.

Fan Beam Projections



Figure 6: A fan beam projection is colleted if all the rays meet in one location. Source: Rosenfeld & Kak, 1982.

For tests: head phantom





Figure 7: Left: The Shepp and Logan head phantom. **Right:** The phantom is a superposition of 10 ellipses. Source: Rosenfeld & Kak, 1982.

Example: Projected Ellipses I



Figure 8: Analytic expression is shown for the projection of an ellipse. For computer simulations a projection can be generated by simply summing the projection of each individual ellipse. Source: Rosenfeld & Kak, 1982.

Example: Projected Ellipses II



Figure 9: Analytical calculation for an ellipse with its center located at (x_1, y_1) and its major axis rotated by α . Source: Rosenfeld & Kak, 1982.

Fourier Slice Theorem



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Figure 10: The Fourier Slice Theorem relates the Fourier transform of a projection to the Fourier transform of the object along a radial line. Source: Pan & Kak, 1983.

Interpolation in frequency domain ???



Figure 11: Collecting projections of the object at a number of angles gives estimates of the Fourier transform of the object along radial lines. The dots represent the actual location of estimates of the object's Fourier transform. Source: Pan & Kak, 1983.

Backprojection I



Figure 12: Reconstructions are often done using a procedure known as backprojection. Here a filtered projection is smeared back over the reconstruction plane along lines of constant t. The filtered projection at a point t makes the same contribution to all pixels along the line LM in the x - y plane. Source: Rosenfeld & Kak, 1982.

Backprojection II



Figure 13: The result of backprojecting the projection of an ellipse. (a) shows the result of backprojecting for a single angle, (b) shows the effect of backprojecting over 4 angles, (c) shows 64 angles, and (d) shows 512 angles.

Example: Reconstruction



(a)

Figure 14: Reconstruction of the head phantom. The dark regions at the top and at the bottom are visible artefacts. This 128×128 reconstruction was made from 110 projections with 127 rays in each direction. Source: Rosenfeld & Kak, 1982

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(c) 64 projections

(d) 512 projections



