



# Wavelets for Computer Graphics

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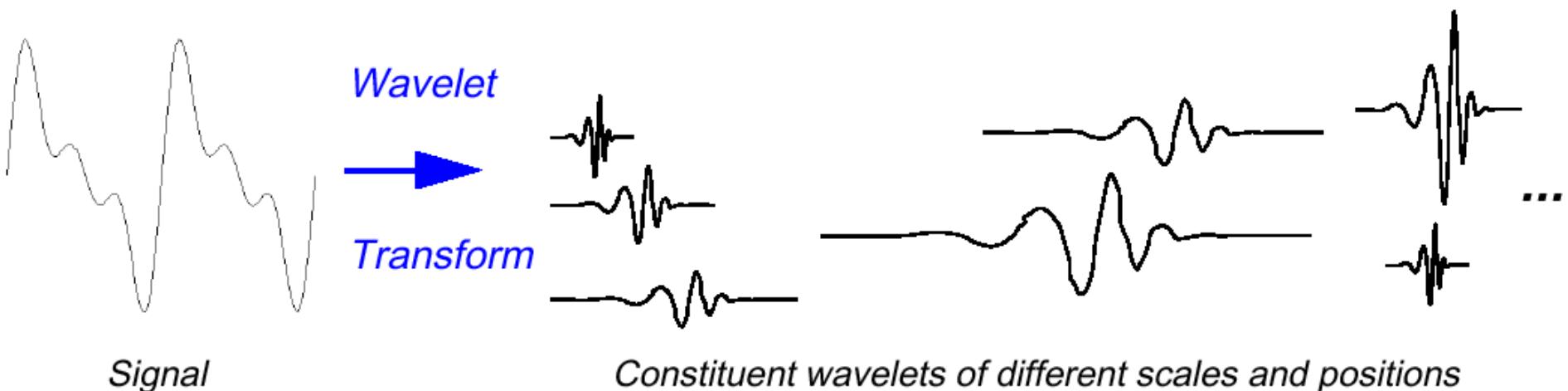
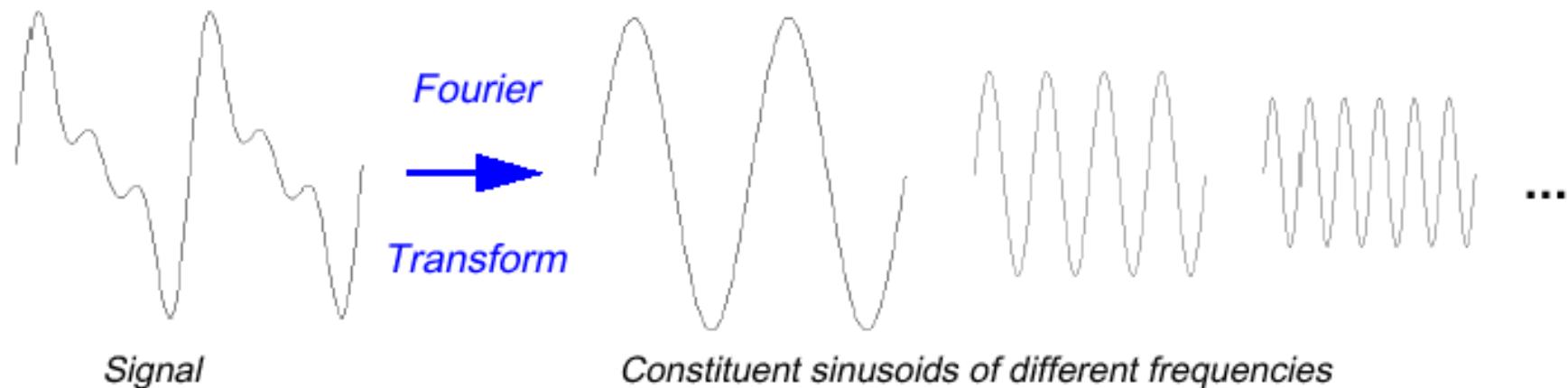


# Introduction

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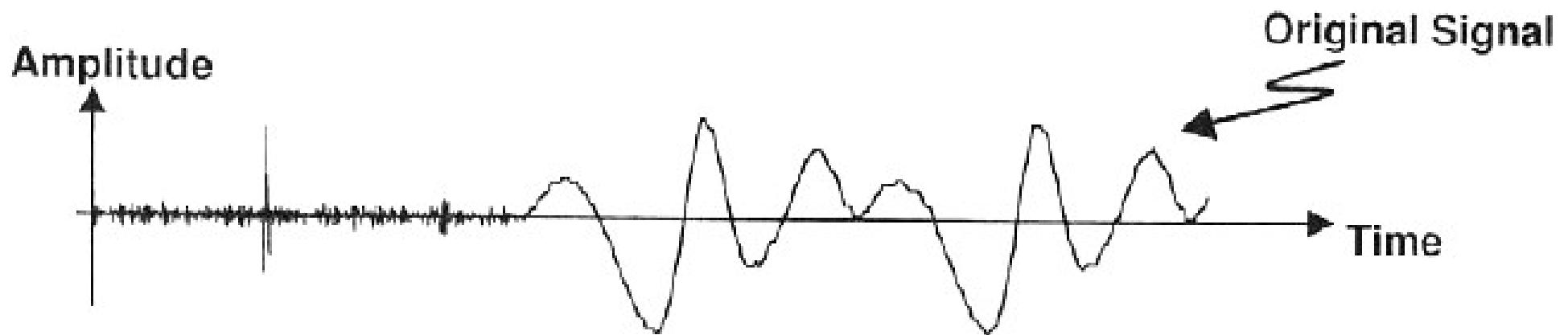
- Large data
  - Analyzation
  - Visualization
  - Manipulation
- Single value not meaningful
- Domains
  - Time, space, ...
  - Frequency (Fourier)
  - Mix?

# Fourier vs. wavelets (1)



# Fourier vs. wavelets (2)

- Fourier: localized in frequency only  
(each coefficient captures entire signal)
- Wavelets: localized in time and frequency





# History

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- First ideas by Weierstrass (1873)
- Not “invented”, but used in different fields:
  - Seismology (term coined by Ricker, 1940)
  - Physics
  - Signal and image processing
- Multiresolution analysis (Mallat, 1989)



# Wavelet properties

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- Hierarchical representations
- Linear time complexity (conversion to/from)
- Sparsity (compression, efficiency)
- Adaptability (wide variety of functions/domains)



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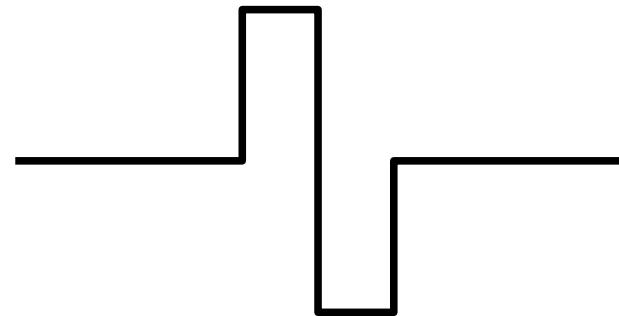
- Prof. Peter Schröder
- Linear elasticity and wavelets





# Haar wavelet basis

- Alfred Haar, 1909
- Simplest wavelet basis
- Example





# Example: sequence of 4 values

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[ 9   3   2   6 ]
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# Build averages

Averages

[ 9      3      2      6 ]  
[ 6            4 ]



# Build detail coefficients

Averages

$$[ \begin{array}{cccc} 9 & 3 & 2 & 6 \end{array} ]$$

$$[ \begin{array}{cc} 6 & 4 \end{array} ]$$

Detail  
Coefficients

$$[ \begin{array}{cc} 3 & -2 \end{array} ]$$



# Repeat procedure

| Resolution | Averages                 | Detail<br>Coefficients |
|------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 4          | [ 9    3    2    6 ]     |                        |
| 2          | [ 6                  4 ] | [ 3    -2 ]            |
| 1          | [ 5 ]                    | [ 1 ]                  |



# Wavelet transform

| Resolution           | Averages                 | Detail<br>Coefficients |
|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 4                    | [ 9    3    2    6 ]     |                        |
| 2                    | [ 6                  4 ] | [ 3    -2 ]            |
| 1                    | [ 5 ]                    | [ 1 ]                  |
| wavelet<br>transform | [ 5    1    3    -2 ]    |                        |



# Algorithms

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- Decomposition
  - Compute averages
  - Compute detail coefficients
  - Continue at lower level
- Reconstruction
  - Apply detail coefficients
  - Continue at higher level



# Mathematical background

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- Vector spaces
- Involved functions
- Orthogonality
- Normalization
- Compression



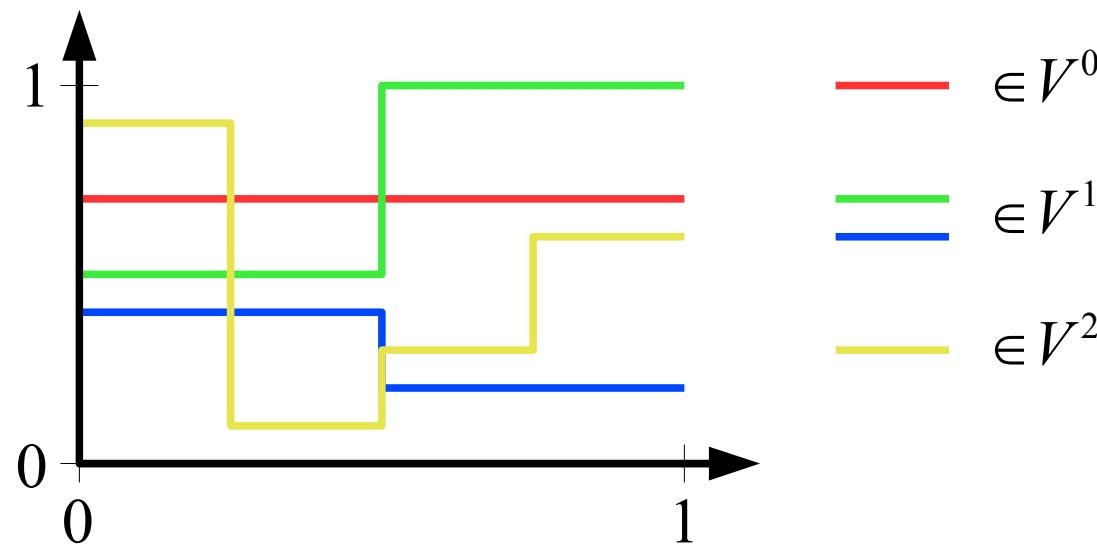
# Vector spaces

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- Collection of “things”
- Addition and scalar multiplication
- Can be
  - Arrays of scalar values
  - Functions
  - ...
- Example
- Nested spaces

# Vector space example

- One pixel image: function constant in  $[0,1)$
- Operations well defined  $\rightarrow$  vector space  $V^0$
- Two pixels: constant in  $[0,0.5)$  and  $[0.5,1)$   $\rightarrow V^1$





# Nested vector spaces

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- Previous example: each vector in  $V^j$  is also in  $V^{j+1}$
- Formally:

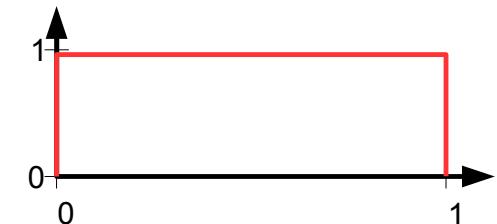
$$V^0 \subset V^1 \subset V^2 \subset \dots$$

# “Tools” for vector spaces

- Basis:

$$\phi_i^j(x) := \phi(2^j x - i), \quad i = 0, \dots, 2^j - 1$$

$$\phi(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



- Support: region where function is nonzero
- Compact support: supported over bounded interval
- Inner product: we choose

$$\langle f | g \rangle := \int_0^1 f(x) g(x) dx$$

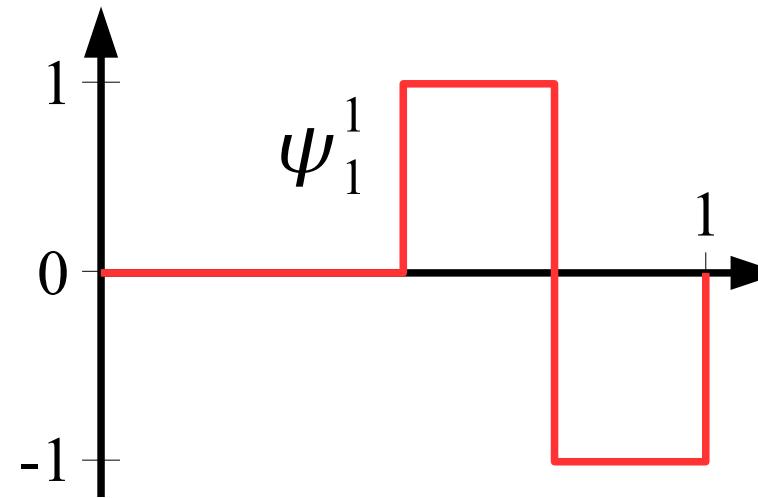
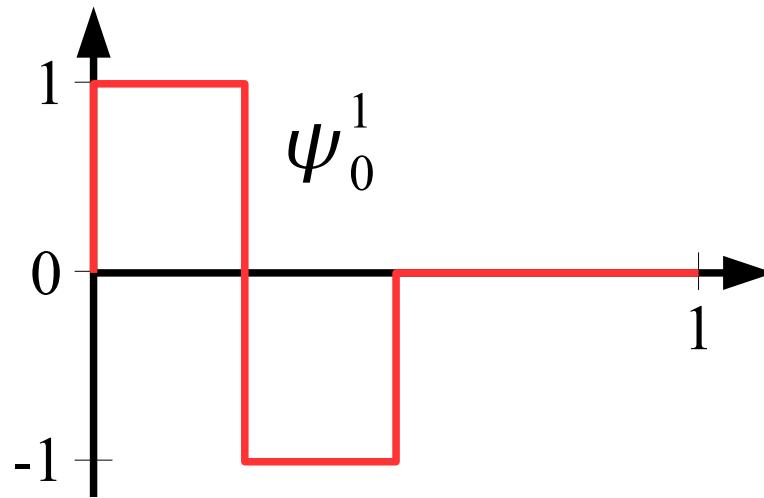
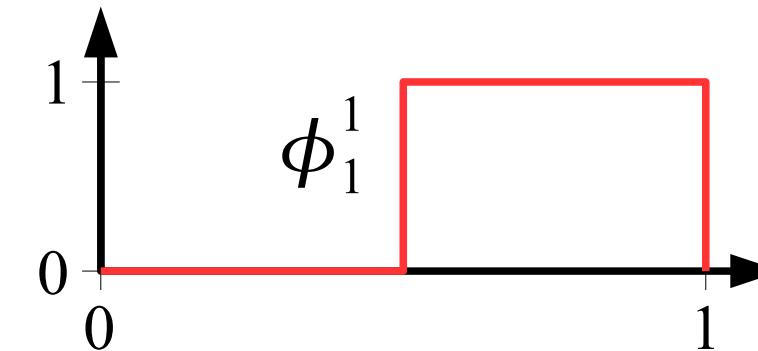
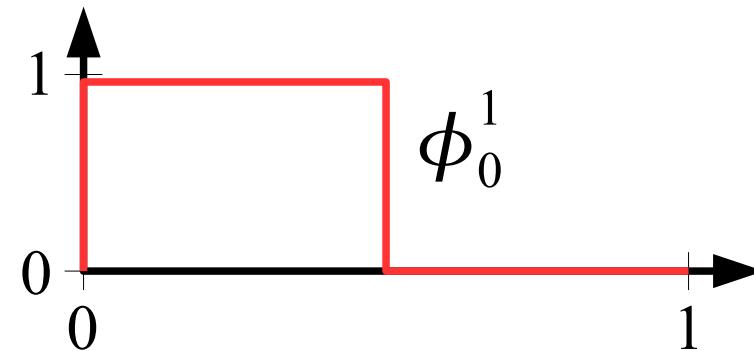


# Wavelet definition

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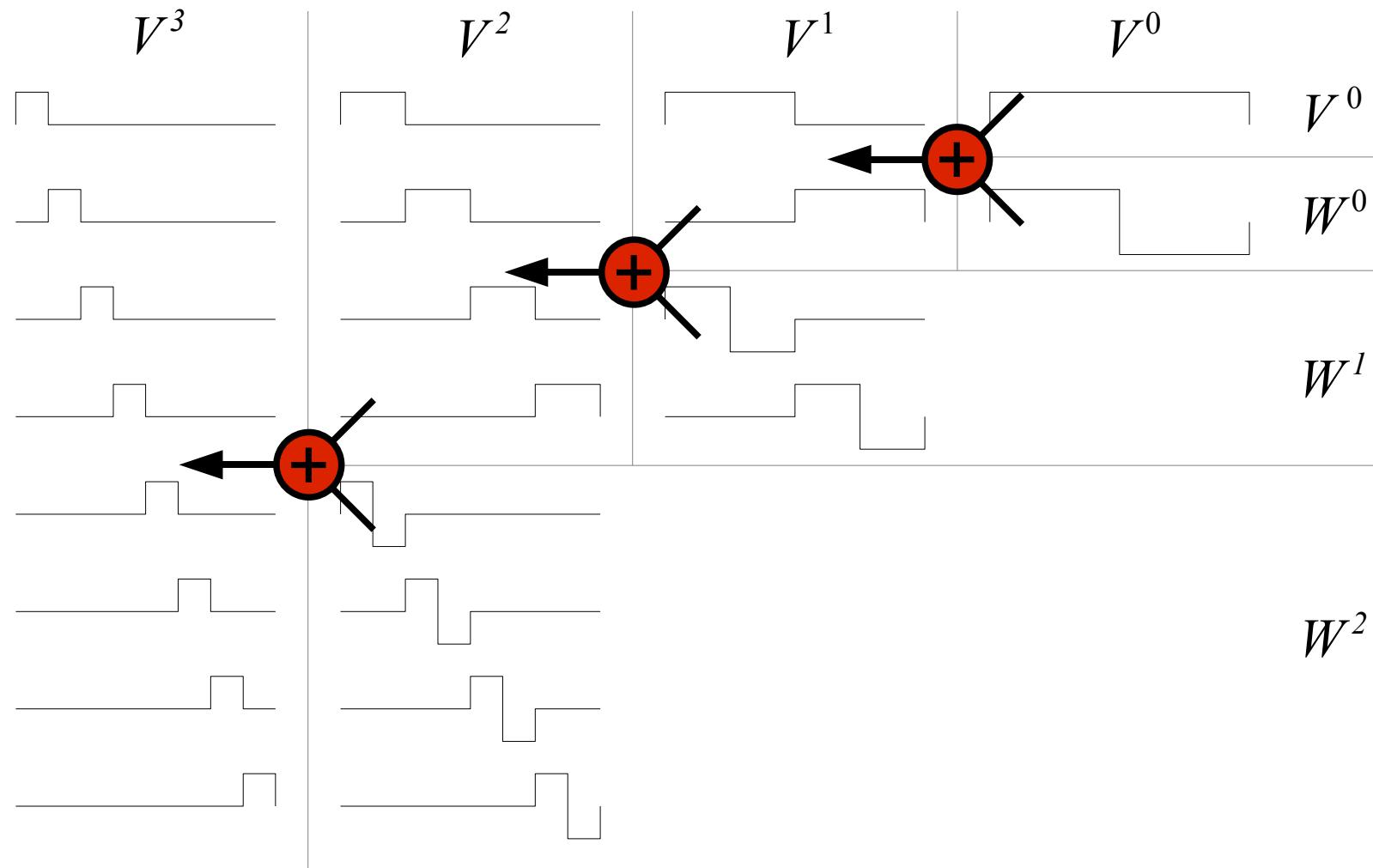
- Vectors  $u, v$  orthogonal if  $\langle u | v \rangle = 0$
- $W^j$  orthogonal complement of  $V^j$  in  $V^{j+1}$
- Wavelets: collection of linearly independent functions  $\psi_i^j(x)$  spanning  $W^j$
- Properties:
  - $\psi_i^j(x)$  of  $W^j$  and  $\phi_i^j(x)$  of  $V^j$  form basis in  $V^{j+1}$
  - $\psi_i^j(x)$  of  $W^j$  and  $\phi_i^j(x)$  of  $V^j$  are orthogonal
- Informal: wavelets capture details beyond  $V^j$

# Scaling functions and wavelets





# Relations between vector spaces





# Wavelet properties

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- Useful properties (not shared by all wavelet bases)
- Orthogonality
  - All basis functions orthogonal to each other
- Normalization
  - Basis function  $u(x)$  is normalized if  $\langle u | u \rangle = 1$
  - Normalized Haar basis:

$$\phi_i^j(x) = \sqrt{2^j} \phi(2^j x - i)$$

$$\psi_i^j(x) = \sqrt{2^j} \psi(2^j x - i)$$



# Compression basics

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- JPEG2000: store twice the number of pictures in your digital camera at the same quality as JPEG
- Express initial data by smaller set of data
- Lossless or lossy
- User-specified error tolerance  $\varepsilon$
- In the wavelet context:

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^m c_i u_i(x) \rightarrow \hat{f}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\hat{m}} \hat{c}_i \hat{u}_i(x)$$
$$\hat{m} < m, \quad \|f(x) - \hat{f}(x)\| \leq \varepsilon \quad \text{for some norm}$$



# Wavelet compression

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- We choose a fixed basis, i.e.,  $\hat{u}_i = u_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \hat{m}$
- Coefficient encoding not discussed here
- Which coefficients to select?
- Define permutation  $\pi(i)$
- Use some of the coefficients:

$$\hat{f}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\hat{m}} \hat{c}_{\pi(i)} \hat{u}_{\pi(i)}(x)$$



# Approximation error

- Square of  $L^2$  error of approximation:

$$\begin{aligned}\|f - \hat{f}\|_2^2 &= \langle f - \hat{f} | f - \hat{f} \rangle \\ &= \left\langle \sum_{i=\hat{m}+1}^m c_{\pi(i)} u_{\pi(i)} \middle| \sum_{j=\hat{m}+1}^m c_{\pi(j)} u_{\pi(j)} \right\rangle \\ &= \sum_{i=\hat{m}+1}^m \sum_{j=\hat{m}+1}^m c_{\pi(i)} c_{\pi(j)} \langle u_{\pi(i)} | u_{\pi(j)} \rangle\end{aligned}$$

orthonormal basis:

$$\langle u_i | u_j \rangle = \delta_{ij} \rightarrow = \sum_{i=\hat{m}+1}^m (c_{\pi(i)})^2$$

- Omit smallest coefficients first



# Applications

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- Image compression
- Image editing
- Image querying



# Image compression

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- Generalization of Haar wavelets to two dimensions
- Similar framework for entirely different applications
- Two common ways to transform image:
  - Standard decomposition
  - Non-standard decomposition

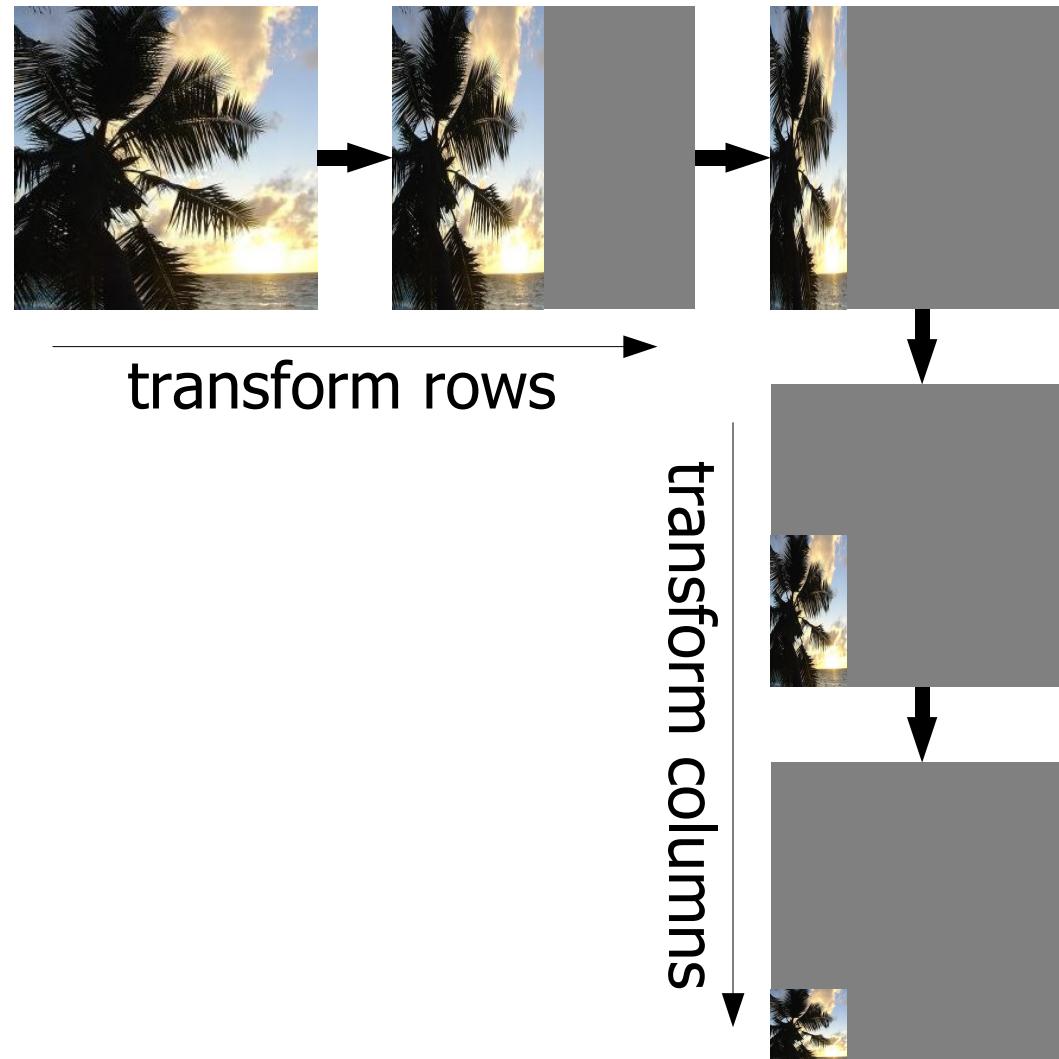


# Standard decomposition (1)

- Apply 1D transform to each row
- Apply 1D transform to each (transformed) column
- Results are
  - Single overall average coefficient
  - Detail coefficients



# Standard decomposition (2)





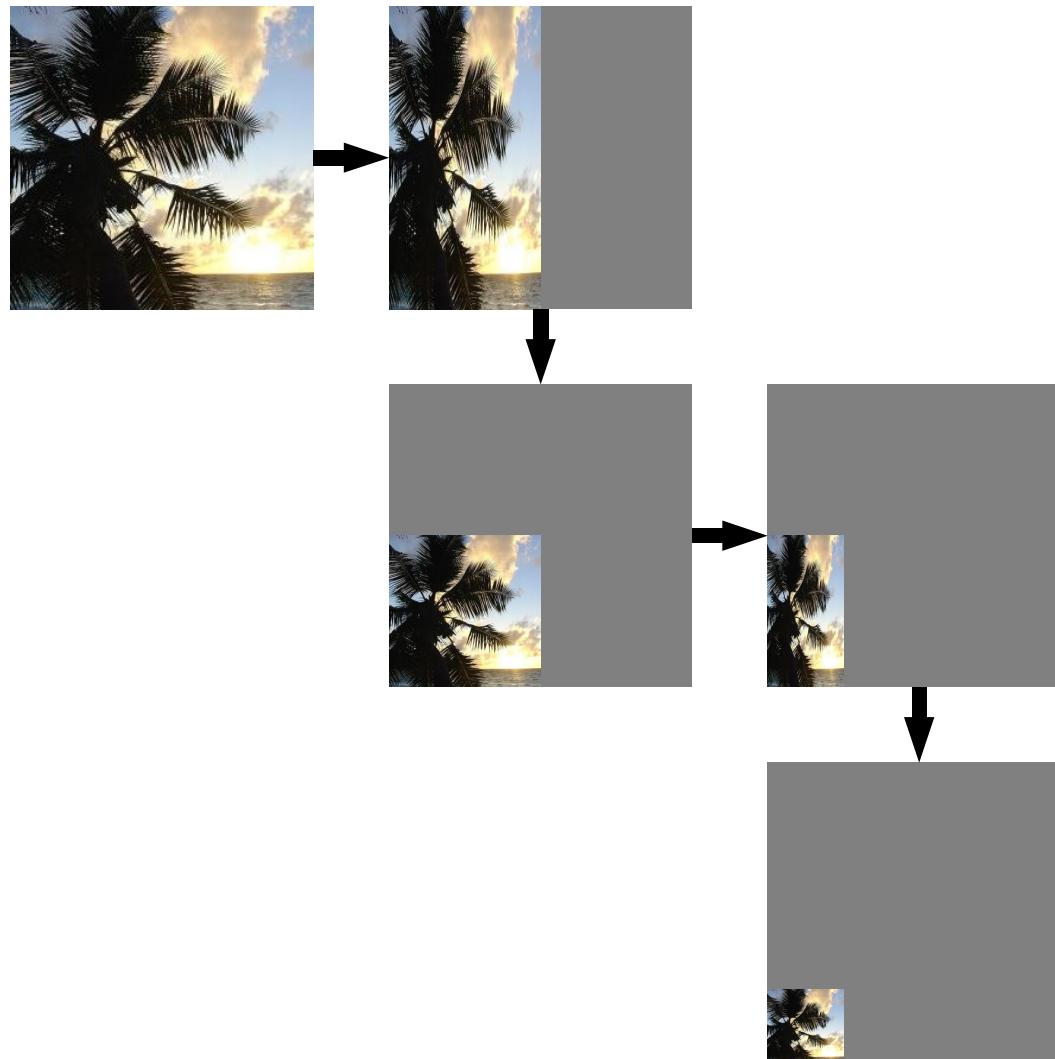
# Nonstandard decomposition (1)

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- Apply averaging/differencing step to each row
- Apply averaging/differencing step to each column
- Repeat procedure on “average” quadrant
- Results are
  - Average coefficients at each level
  - Detail coefficients at each level



# Nonstandard decomposition (2)





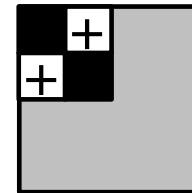
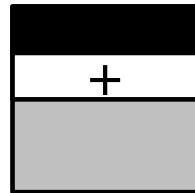
# 2D Haar basis functions

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- Standard construction: tensor products
- Nonstandard construction:
  - One 2D scaling function
  - Three 2D wavelet functions
  - Combine at different levels

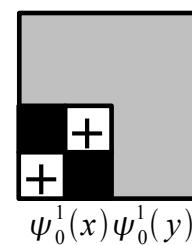
# Standard construction

$$\phi_0^0(x)\psi_1^1(y) - \boxed{\phi_0^0(x)\psi_1^1(y)}$$



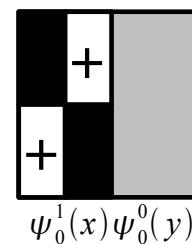
$$\phi_0^0(x)\psi_0^1(y)$$

$$\psi_0^0(x)\psi_0^1(y)$$



$$+$$

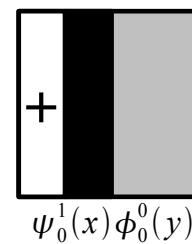
$$\psi_0^0(x)\psi_0^0(y)$$



$$+ +$$

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$$\psi_0^0(x)\phi_0^0(y)$$





# Nonstandard construction (1)

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- Scaling function:

$$\phi \phi(x, y) = \phi(x) \phi(y)$$

- Wavelet functions:

$$\phi \psi(x, y) = \phi(x) \psi(y)$$

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$$\psi \psi(x, y) = \psi(x) \psi(y)$$



# Nonstandard construction (2)

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- Single coarse scaling function:

$$\phi \phi_{0,0}^0(x, y) = \phi \phi(x, y)$$

- Translated and scaled wavelet functions:

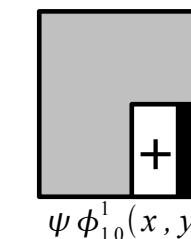
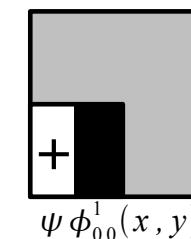
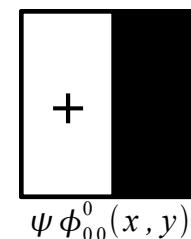
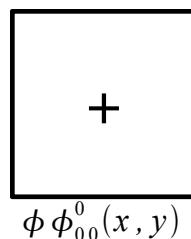
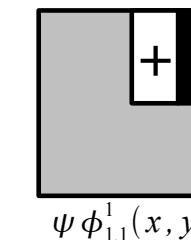
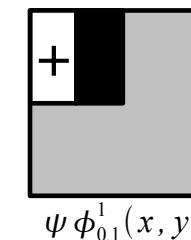
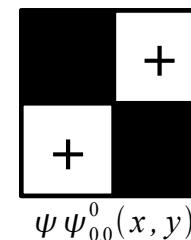
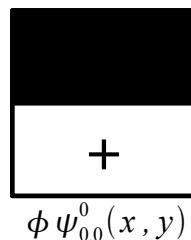
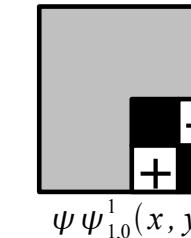
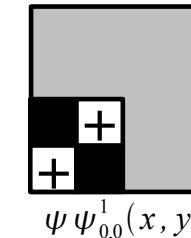
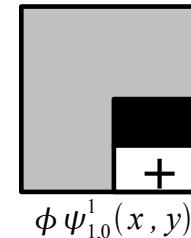
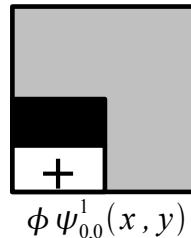
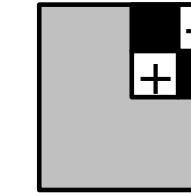
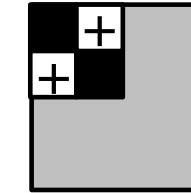
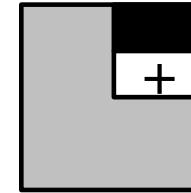
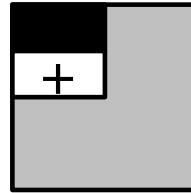
$$\phi \psi_{k,l}^j(x, y) = 2^j \phi \psi(2^j x - k, 2^j y - l)$$

$$\psi \phi_{k,l}^j(x, y) = 2^j \psi \phi(2^j x - k, 2^j y - l)$$

$$\psi \psi_{k,l}^j(x, y) = 2^j \psi \psi(2^j x - k, 2^j y - l)$$

# Nonstandard construction (3)

$\phi \psi_{0,1}^1(x, y) — \phi \psi_{0,1}^1(x, y)$





# Standard vs. nonstandard

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- Number of assignments for  $n \times n$  image:
  - Standard:  $4(n^2 - n)$
  - Nonstandard:  $\frac{8}{3}(n^2 - 1)$
- Number of nonzero coefficients for  $O(n)$  inputs:
  - Standard:  $O(n \log n)$
  - Nonstandard:  $O(n)$
- Solution of linear equations:
  - Standard: explicit transformation possible → fits well with existing software
  - Nonstandard: implicit transformation → doesn't fit well



# More applications

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- Image editing
  - Edit image at desired scale
  - Quadtree representing wavelet hierarchy
- Image querying
  - Query by content (e.g., rough sketch)
  - Similarity metric
  - Compare  $m$  largest wavelet coefficients



# Other useful properties

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- Solution of linear systems
- Vanishing moments



# Solution of linear systems (1)

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- Consider set of linear equations  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$
- If  $\mathbf{A}$  is dense: slow direct/iterative solution
- Much faster for sparse matrices
- Q: How can we “make  $\mathbf{A}$  sparse”?
- A: By applying the wavelet transform
- All operations linear:
  - Matrix  $\Psi$  describes decomposition ( $\Psi \cdot \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}'$ )
  - Matrix  $\Psi^{-1}$  describes reconstruction ( $\Psi^{-1} \cdot \mathbf{v}' = \mathbf{v}''$ )



# Solution of linear systems (2)

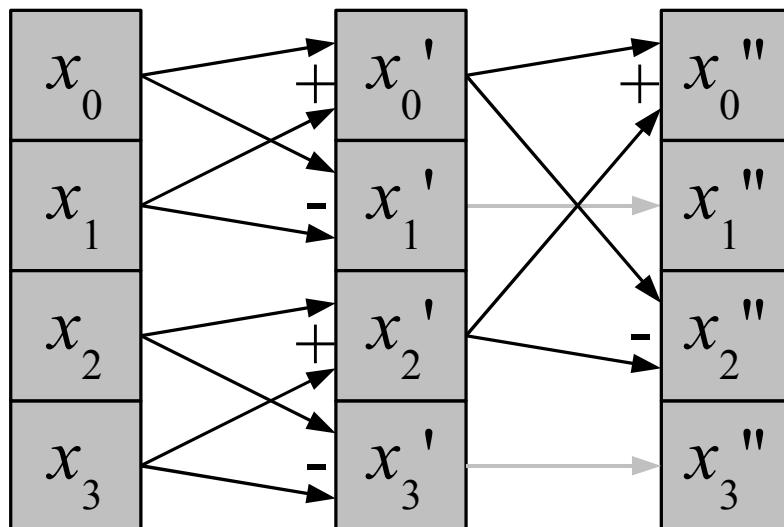
- We can formally write:

$$\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{b}$$
$$\underbrace{\Psi \mathbf{A} \Psi^{-1} \cdot \Psi \mathbf{x}}_{\mathbf{A}' \text{ (sparse)}} = \Psi \mathbf{b}$$

- Solve for  $\mathbf{x}' = \Psi \mathbf{x}$  and reconstruct  $\mathbf{x} = \Psi^{-1} \mathbf{x}'$
- Left multiplication transforms columns
- Right multiplication transforms rows
- No correspondence between  $\mathbf{A}$  and image matrix

# Wavelet matrix

- Compact representation of averaging/differencing
- Concatenate all steps:  $\psi = \psi_2 \cdot \psi_1$
- Optional rearrangement
- Example (not normalized):



$$\mathbf{x}' = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\Psi_1} \mathbf{x}$$

$$\mathbf{x}'' = \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}}_{\Psi_2} \mathbf{x}'$$



# Vanishing moments

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- A wavelet  $\psi(x)$  has  $n$  vanishing moments if

$$\int \psi(x) x^k dx = 0$$

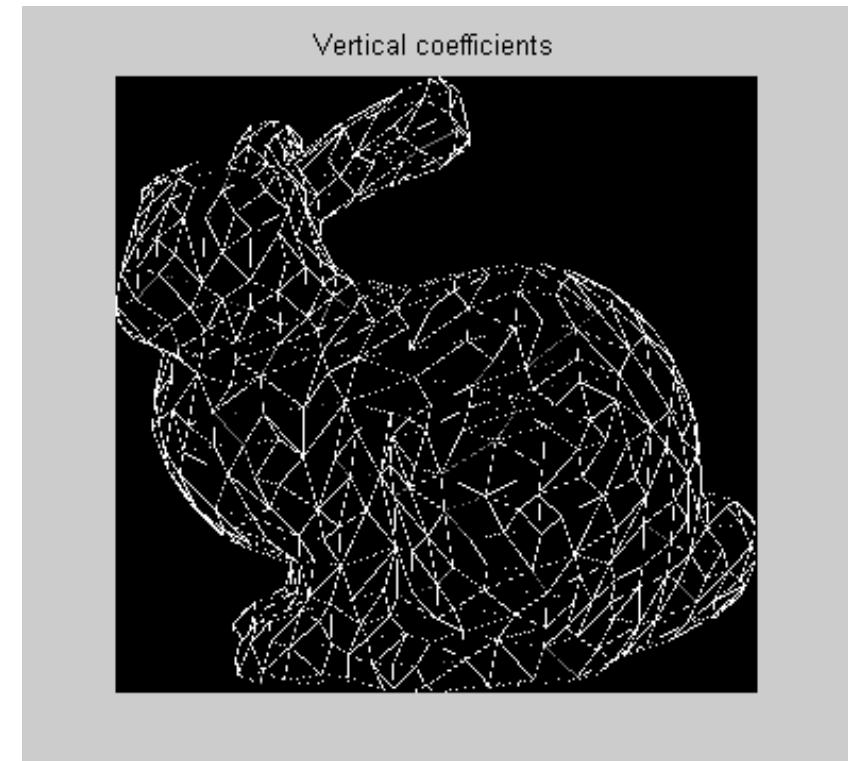
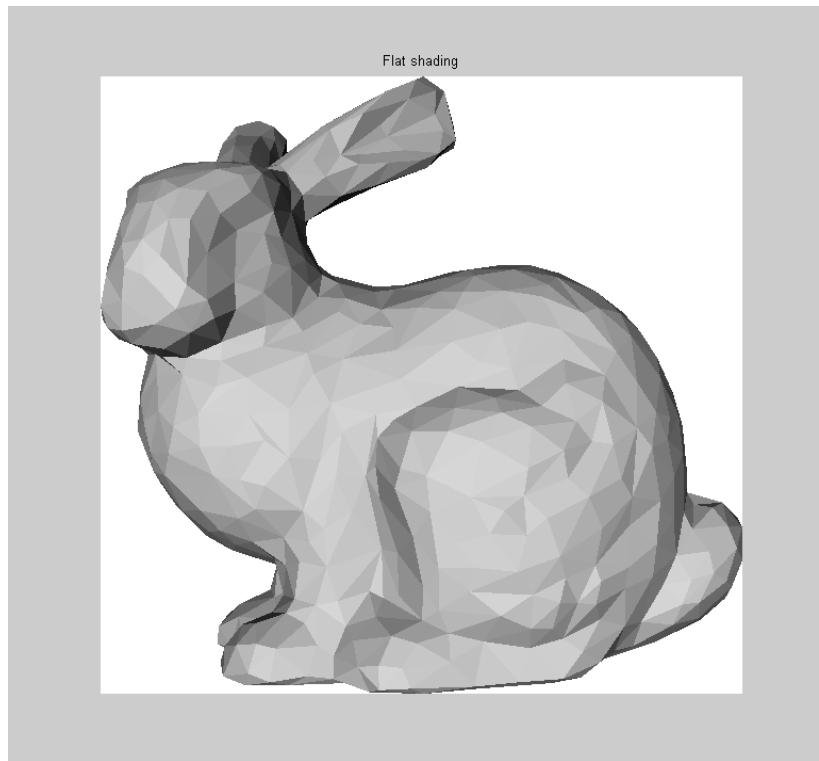
is true for all  $k=0, \dots, n-1$ , but not for  $k=n$

- Constant regions  $\rightarrow$  zero coefficients (Haar basis)
- Higher order wavelets  $\rightarrow$   
more vanishing moments  $\rightarrow$   
zero coefficients for linear, quadratic, ... regions  $\rightarrow$   
better compression of smooth images



# Bunny (flat, Haar)

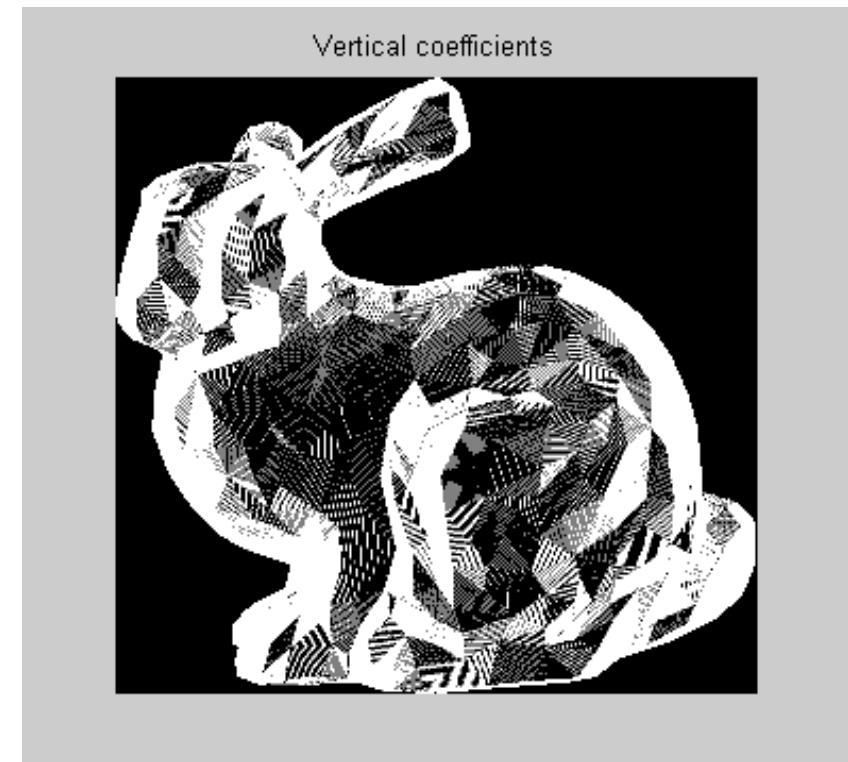
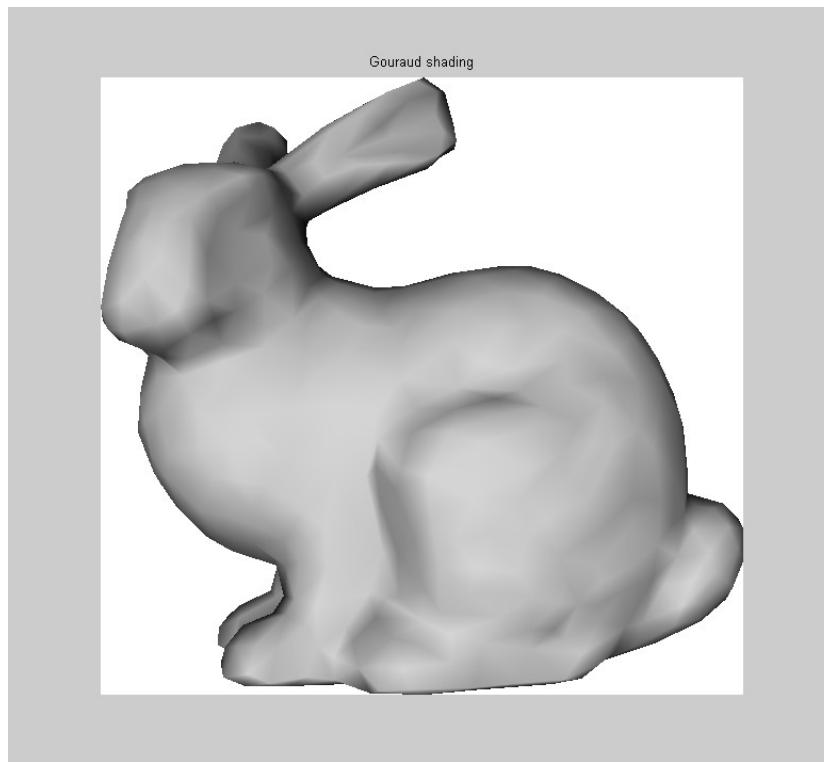
- Constant regions
- One vanishing moment





# Bunny (Gouraud, Haar)

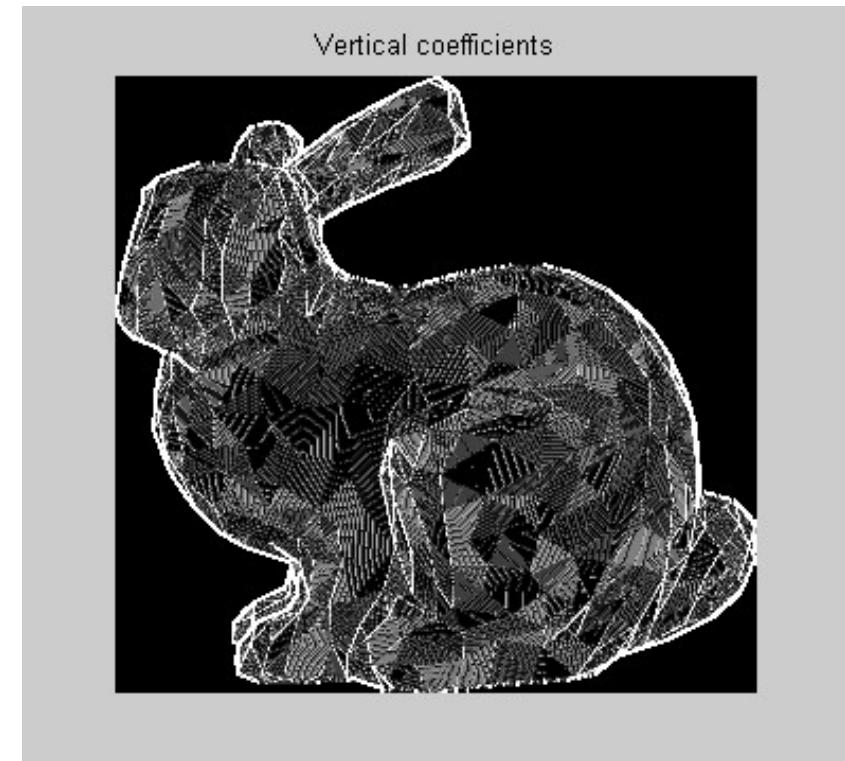
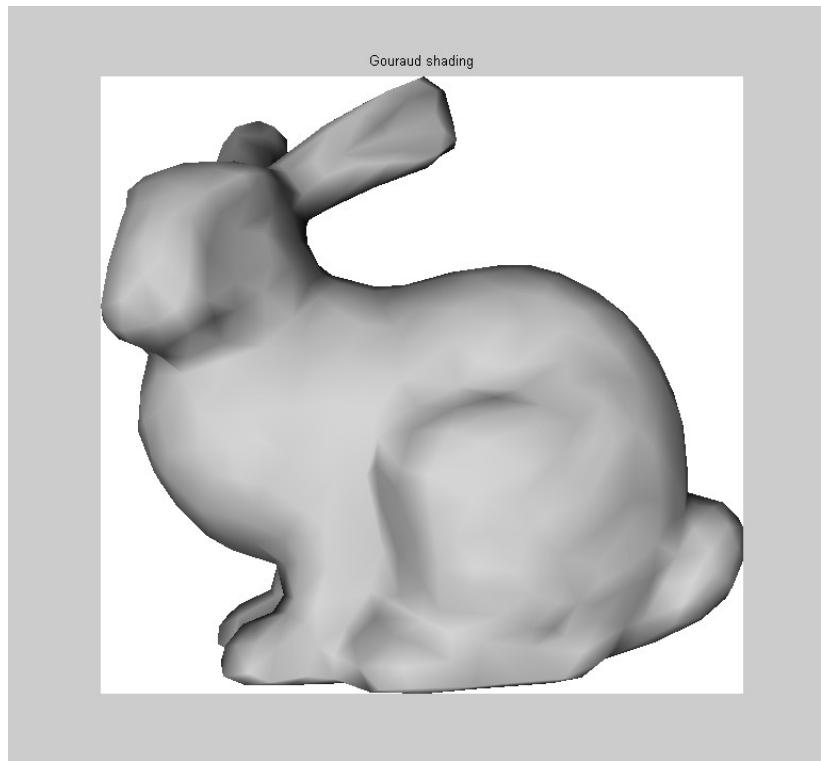
- Linear regions
- One vanishing moment





# Bunny (Gouraud, Daubechies)

- Linear regions
- Two vanishing moments





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Thank you for your attention!



# Praktische Anwendungen

- Wavelets in Matlab
- Bildkompression
- Kantendetektion
- Lösen von Gleichungssystemen



# Wavelets in Matlab

| <b>Wavelet</b>       | <b>wfamily</b> | <b>wname</b>   |
|----------------------|----------------|--|
| Haar                 | 'haar'         | 'haar'   |
| Daubechies           | 'db'           | 'db2', 'db3', ..., 'db45'  |
| Coiflets             | 'coif'         | 'coif1', 'coif2', ..., 'coif5'   |
| Symlets              | 'sym'          | 'sym2', 'sym3', ..., 'sym45'   |
| Discrete Meyer       | 'dmey'         | 'dmey'   |
| Biorthogonal         | 'bior'         | 'bior1.1', 'bior1.3', 'bior1.5', 'bior2.2',<br>'bior2.4', 'bior2.6', 'bior2.8', 'bior3.1',<br>'bior3.3', 'bior3.5', 'bior3.7', 'bior3.9',<br>'bior4.4', 'bior5.5', 'bior6.8' |
| Reverse Biorthogonal | 'rbio'         | 'rbio1.1', 'rbio1.3', 'rbio1.5', 'rbio2.2',<br>'rbio2.4', 'rbio2.6', 'rbio2.8', 'rbio3.1',<br>'rbio3.3', 'rbio3.5', 'rbio3.7', 'rbio3.9',<br>'rbio4.4', 'rbio5.5', 'rbio6.8' |



# Fast Wavelet Transform

- Decomposition and reconstruction by convolution
- Convolution kernels defined in Wavelet filterbank
- 4 1D-filter masks needed:
  - 2 for decomposition
  - 2 for reconstruction



# Haar wavelet filter masks

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[ Lo_D Hi_D Lo_R Hi_R ] = wfilters('haar')
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Lo_D = 0.7071 0.7071
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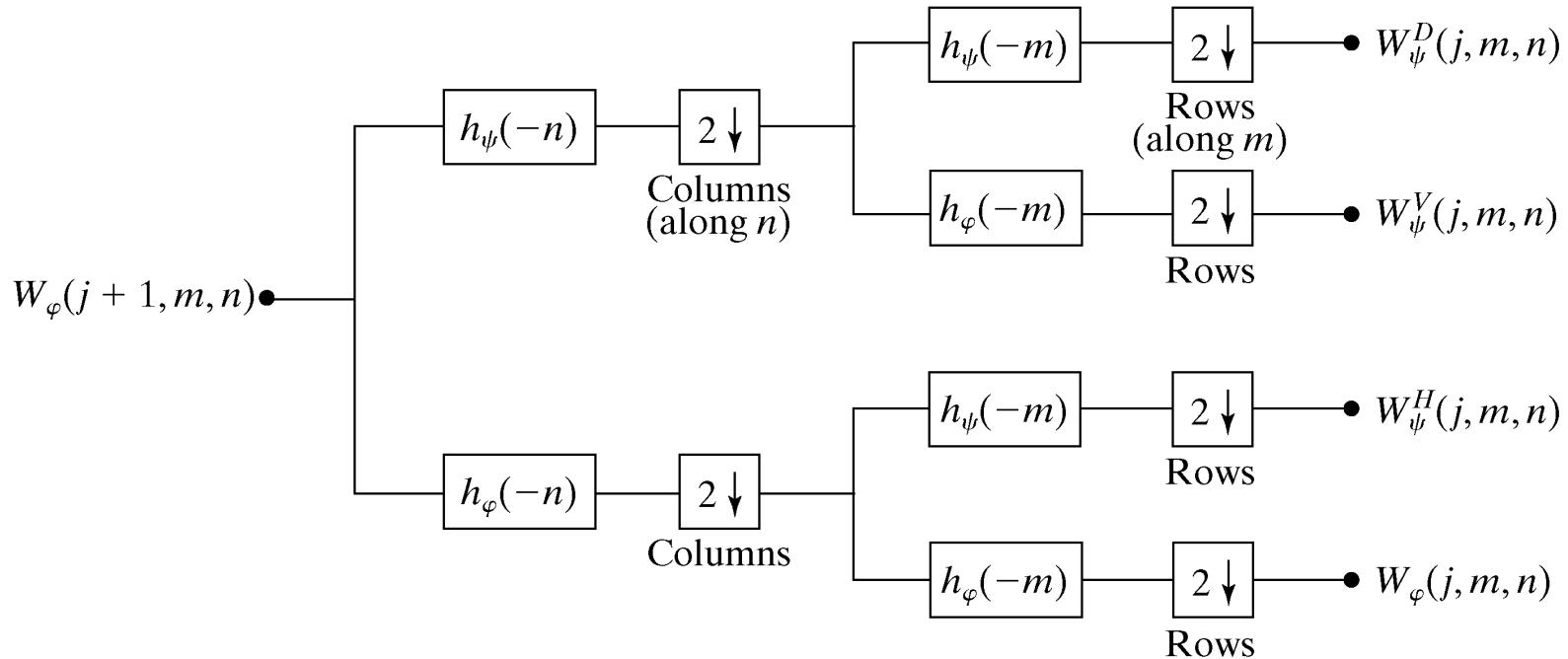
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Hi_D = -0.7071 0.7071
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Lo_R = 0.7071 0.7071
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Hi_R = 0.7071 -0.7071
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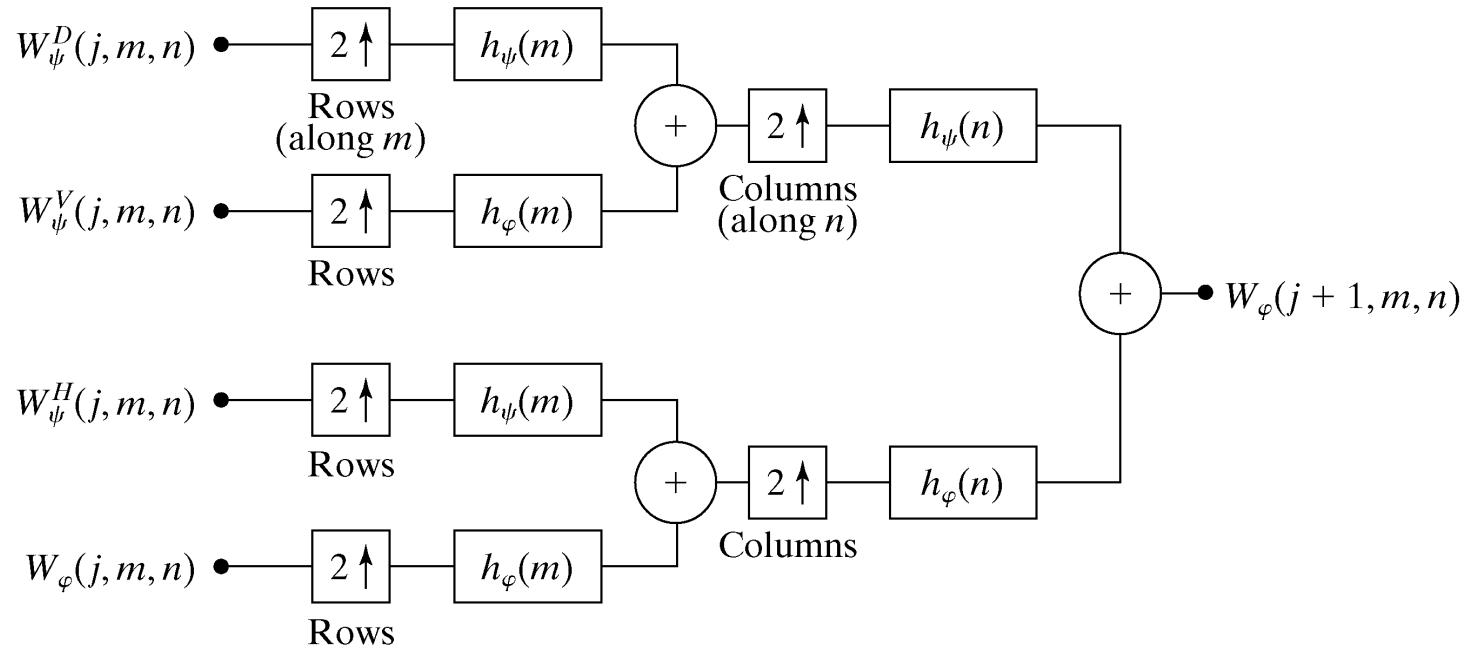
- Size of filters dependent on wavelet type
- Filter pair consists of lowpass filter and highpass filter

# Decomposition



- Down arrows mean downsampling of the image by 2.
- First along columns, then along rows

# Reconstruction



- Down arrows mean upsampling of the image by 2.
- First along rows, then along columns



# Wavelets in Matlab

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- Wavelet-Decomposition:
  - wavedec2
  - dwt2
- Wavelet-Reconstruction:
  - waverec2
  - idwt2
- Scaling&Wavelet Function
  - wavefun



## dwt2

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[CA,CH,CV,CD] = dwt2(X,'wname')

CA ... approximation coefficients

CH ... horizontal coefficients

CV ... vertical coefficients

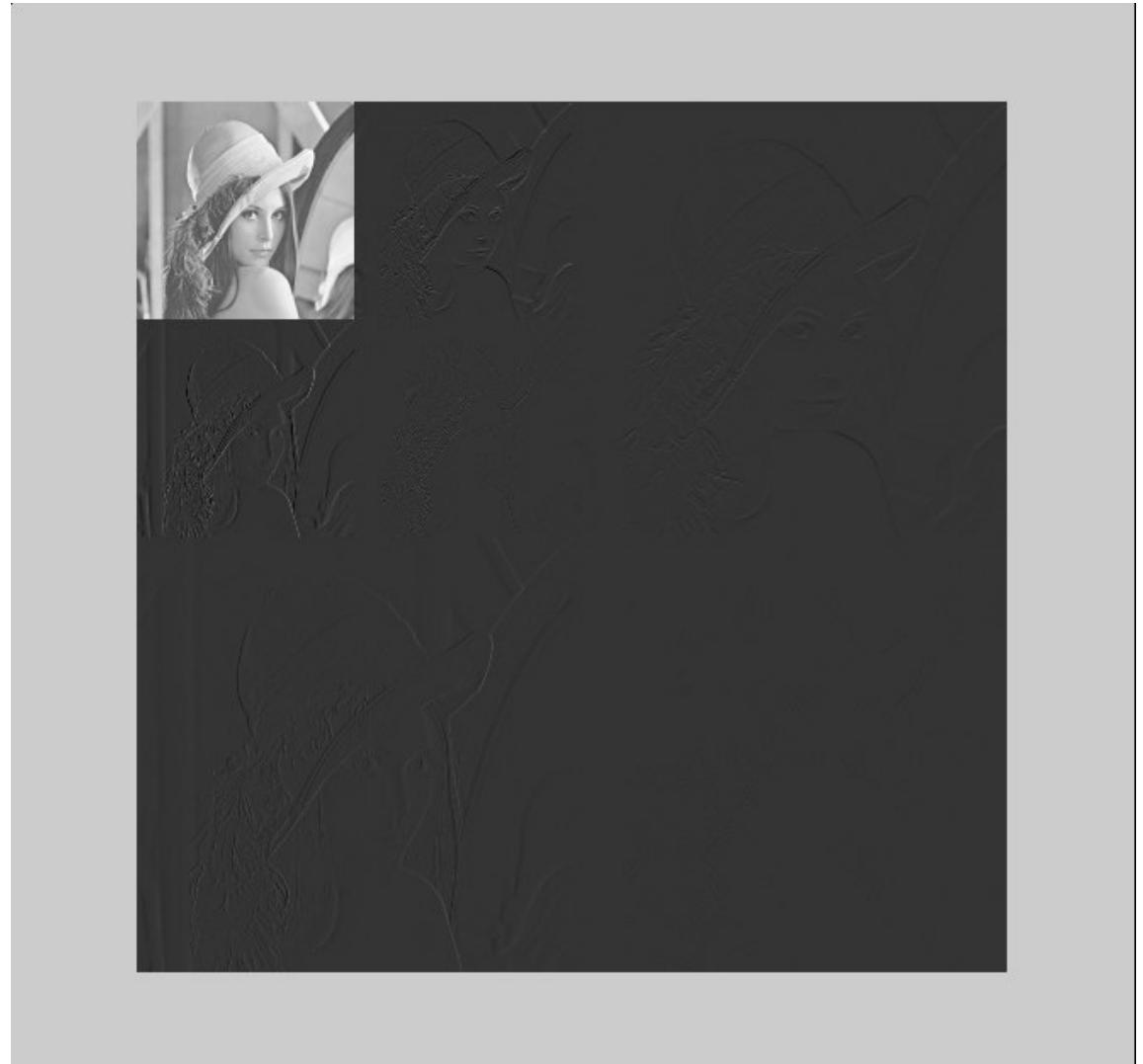
CD ... diagonal coefficients

Führt nur einen Level der Decomposition durch.



# dwt2

```
I = double(imread('lenna.bmp'));
% first level
[CA,CH,CV,CD] = DWT2(I,'haar');
figure;
imshow([CA,CH;CV,CD],[]);
% second level
[CA2,CH2,CV2,CD2] = DWT2(CA,'haar');
figure;
imshow([[CA2,CH2;CV2,CD2],CH;CV,CD],[]);
```





# Bildkompression

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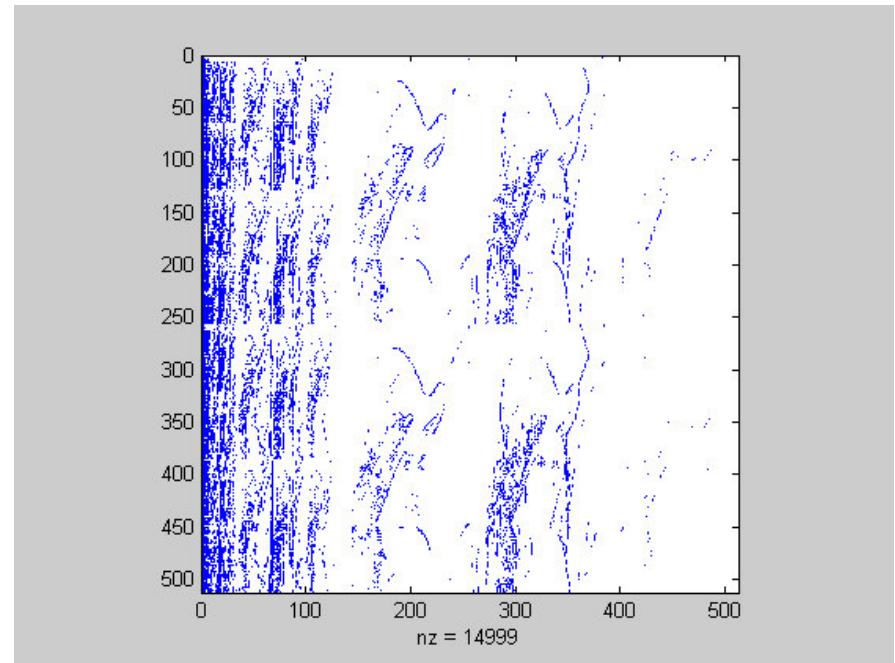
- Verlustbehaftete Kompression
- Wavelet-Transformation anwenden
- Koeffizienten die sehr klein sind werden durch 0 ersetzt (-> Verlust von Information)
- Nur mehr Koeffizienten speichern die ungleich 0 sind.



# Bildkompression

```
I = double(imread('lenna.bmp'));
wtype = 'db2';
[C S] = wavedec2(I, wmaxlev(I,wtype), wtype);
[B IX] = sort(abs(C));
B = fliplr(B);
IX = fliplr(IX);
CF = C;
CF(IX(15000:length(IX))) = 0;

X = waverec2(CF,S,wtype);
figure;
imshow(I,[]);
figure;
imshow(X,[]);
```







# Vergleich FFT - Wavelet



13359 FFT-Koeffizienten

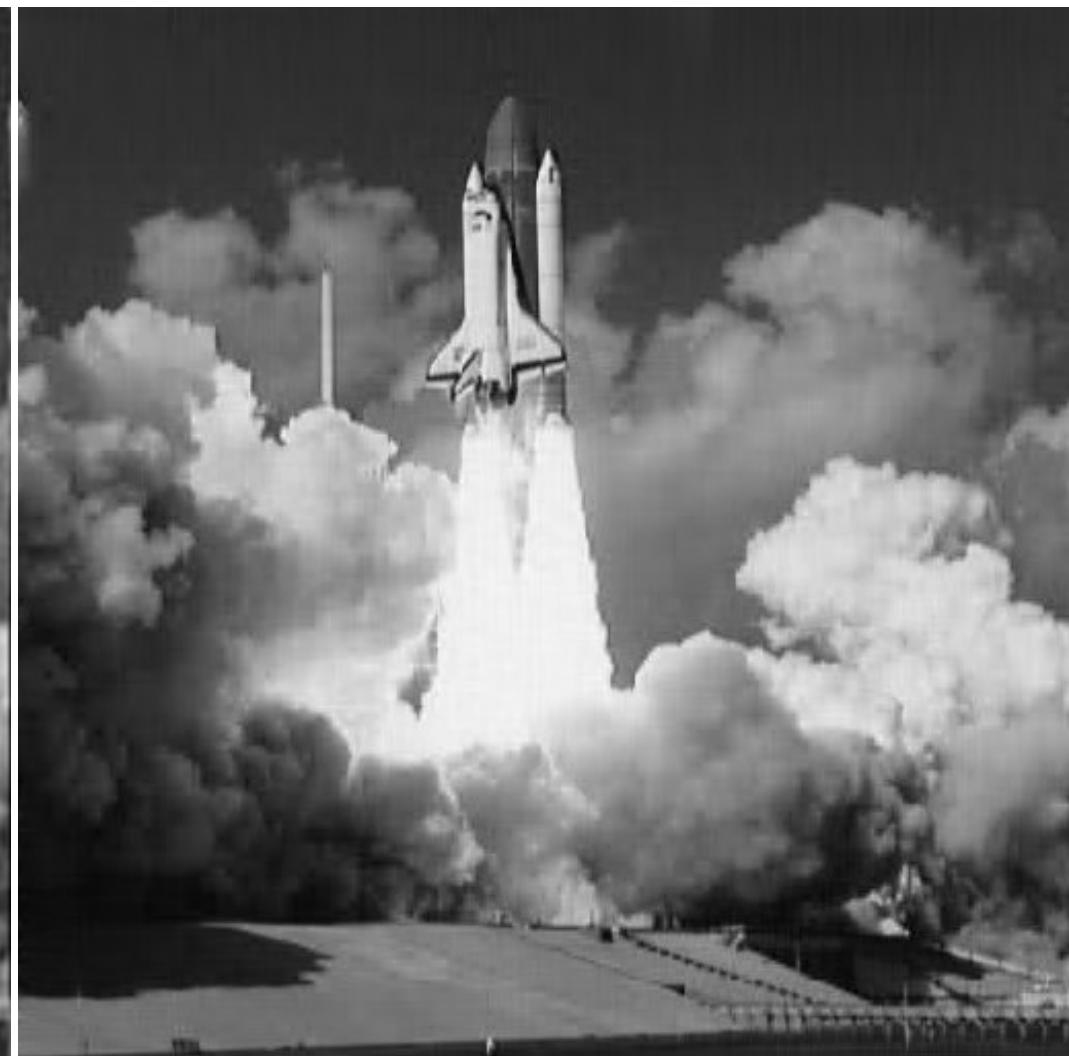
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# Vergleich FFT - Wavelet



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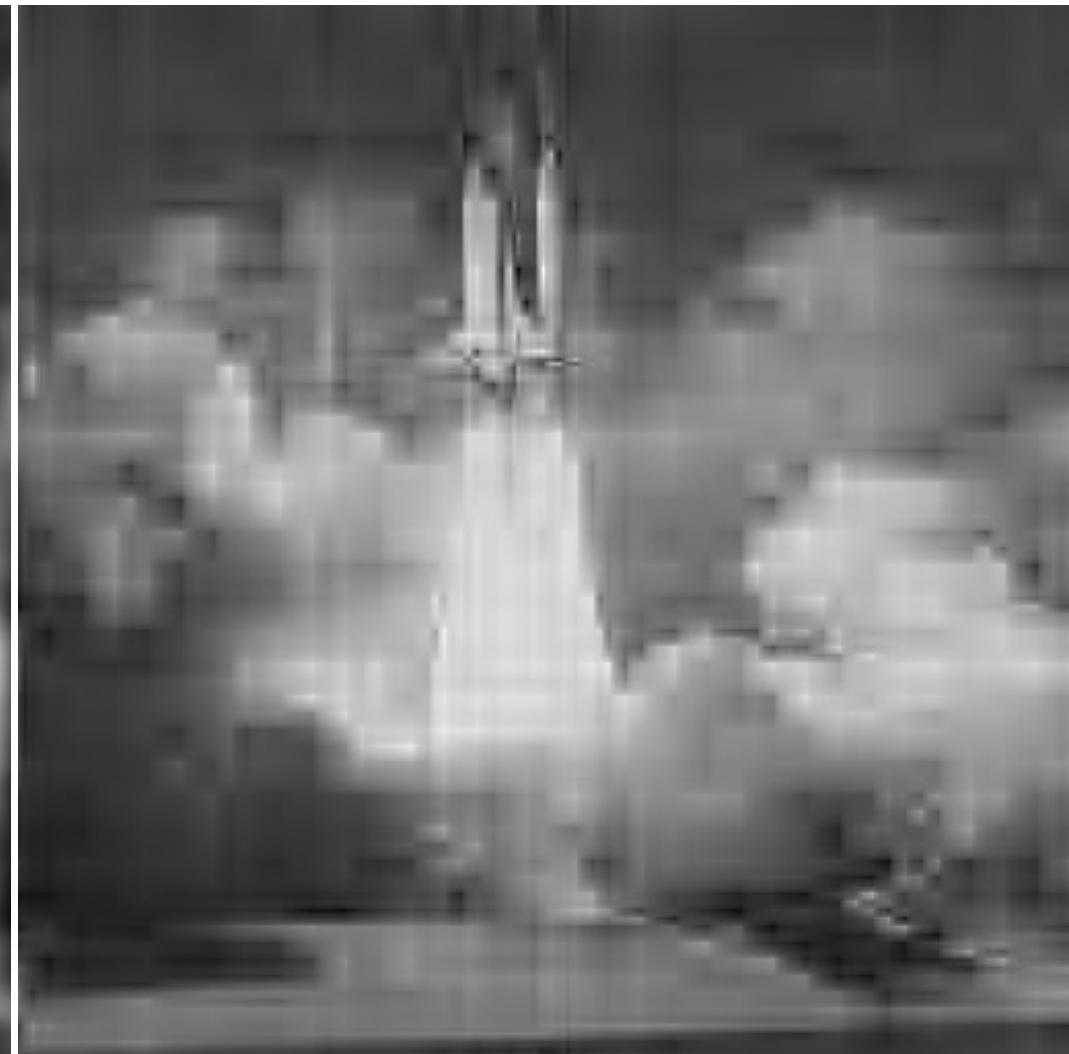
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# Vergleich FFT - Wavelet



519 FFT-Koeffizienten

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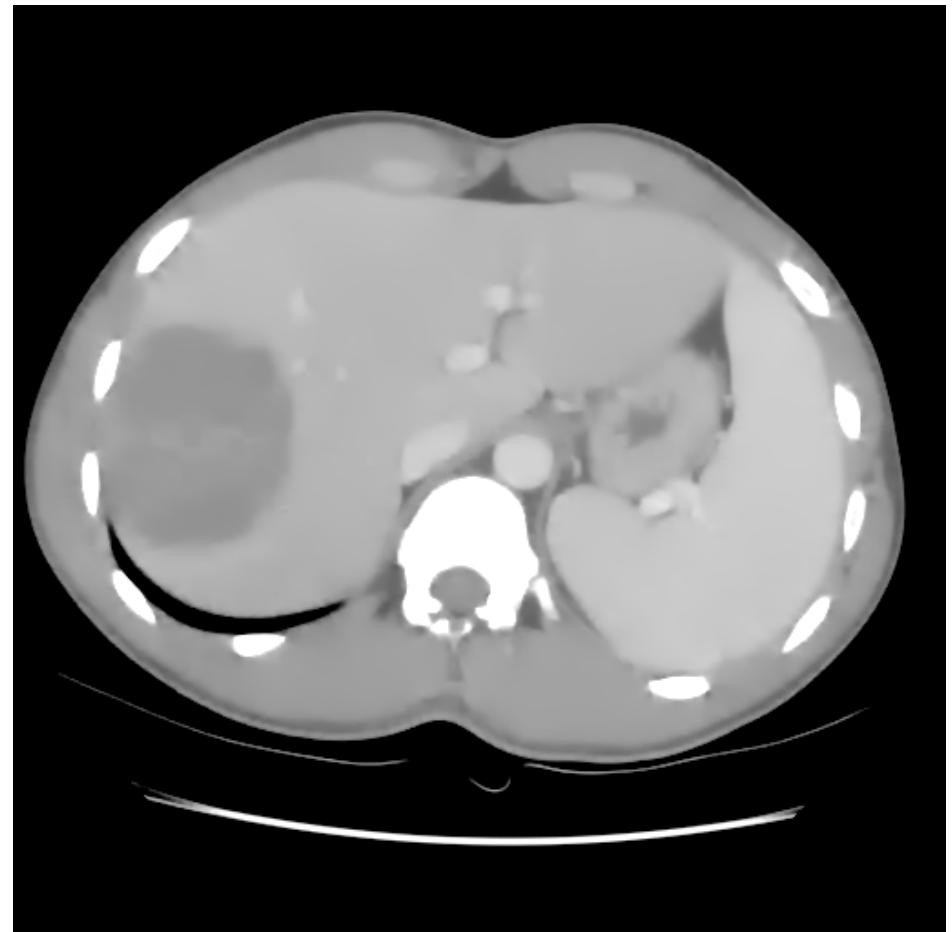
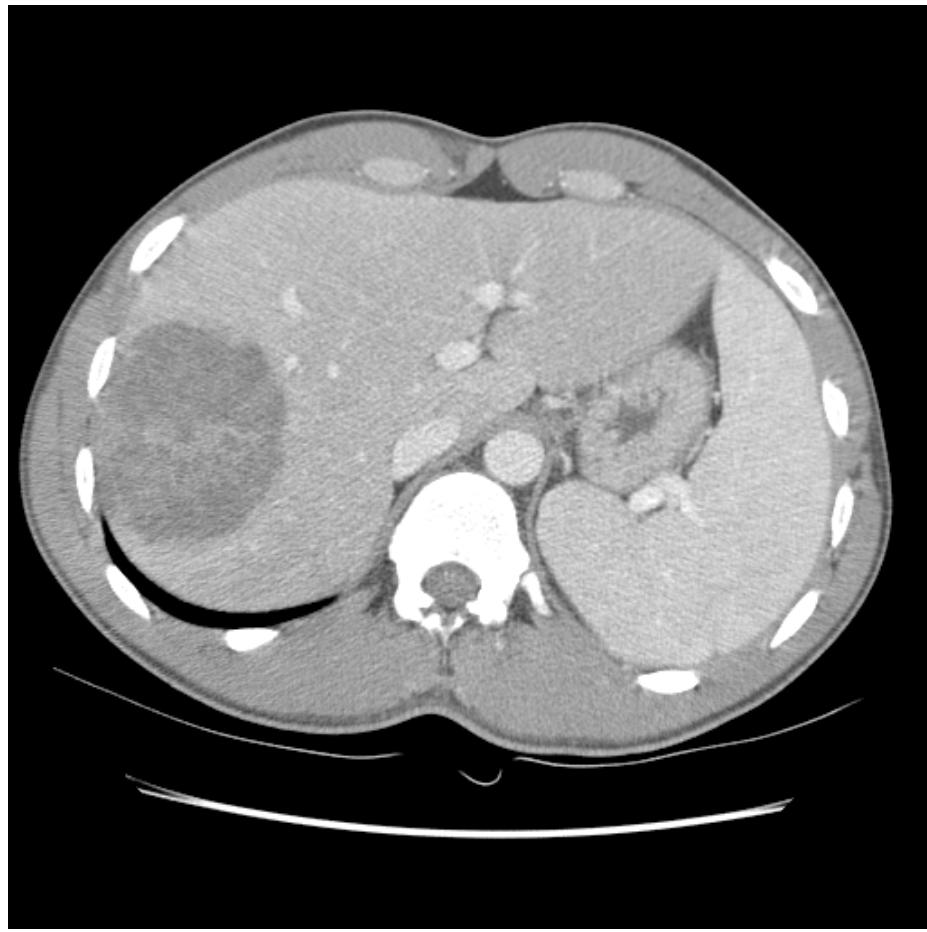
532 WVLT-Koeffizienten

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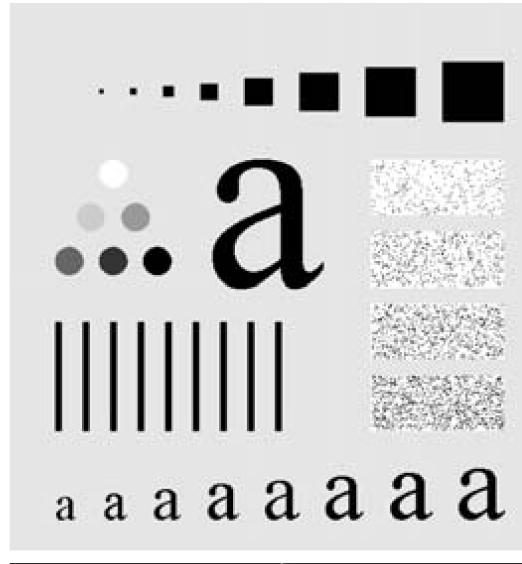
# Beispiel: Kanten bleiben gut erhalten



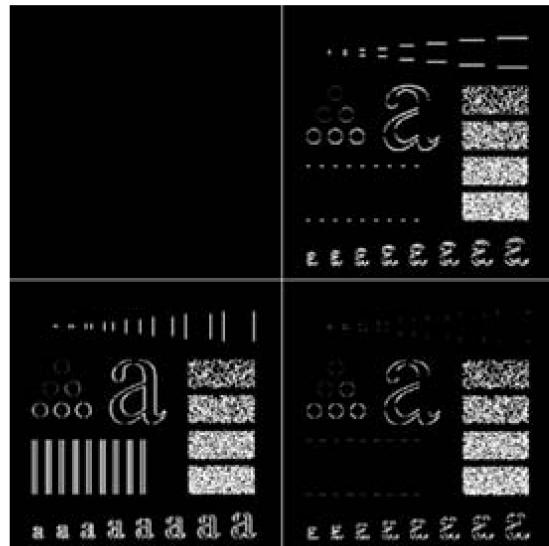


# Kantendetektion

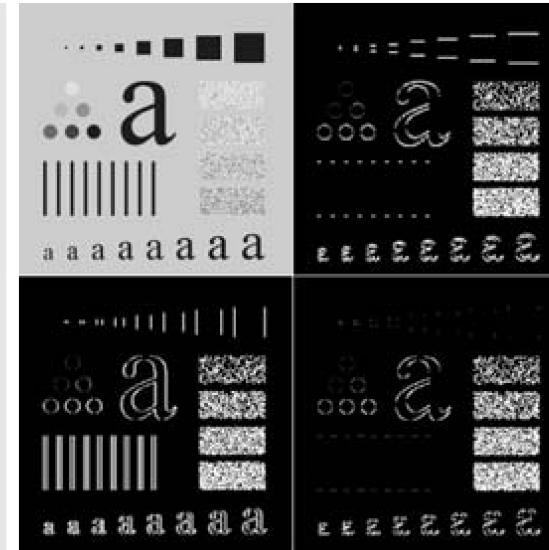
Original



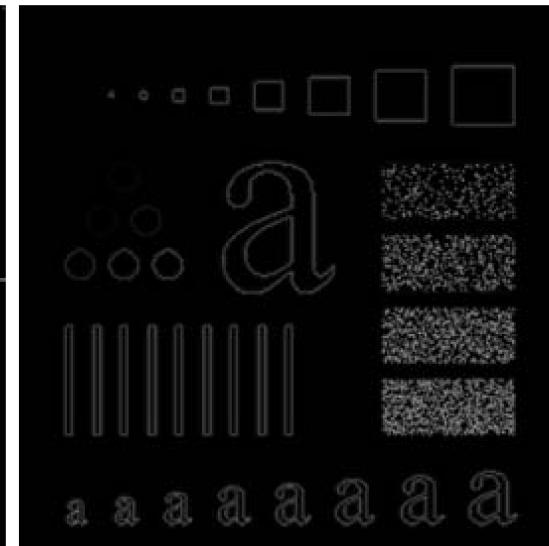
Approximation  
Teil wird auf 0  
gesetzt



Wavelet-  
Decomposition



Wavelet-  
Reconstruction



Nur mehr  
Kanteninformation  
enthalten

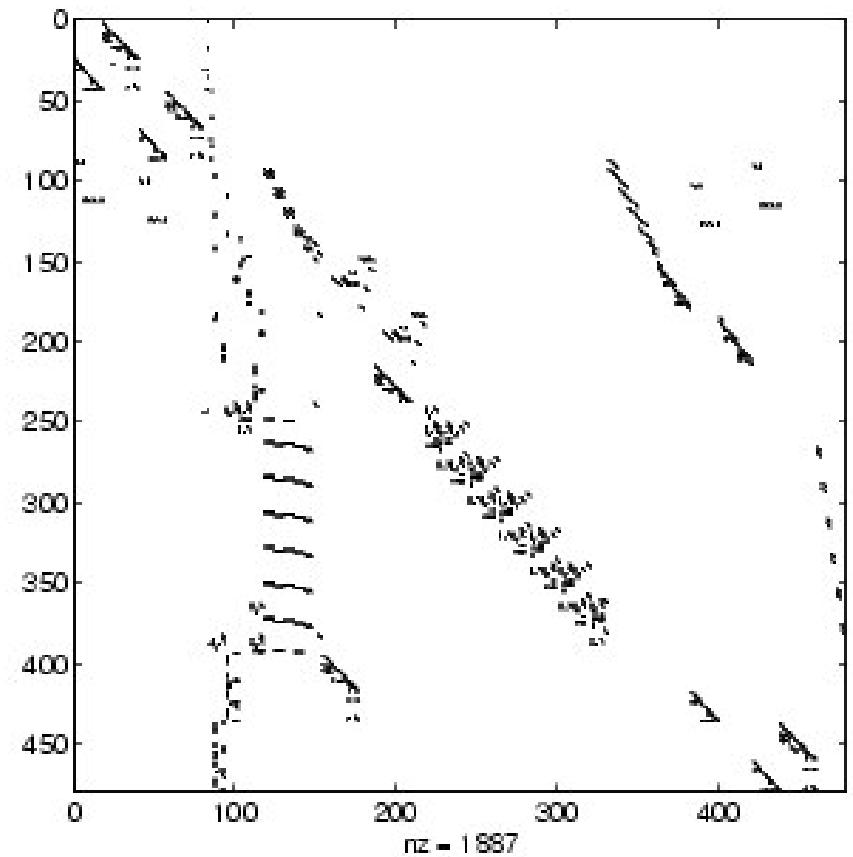


# Lösen von Gleichungssystemen

- $Ax=b$
- Große Matrizen A führen zu langen Rechenzeiten
- Abhängig von der Gestalt der Matrix A können unterschiedliche Algorithmen schnellere Laufzeiten ermöglichen

# Sparse Matrices

- Sparse Matrices = Schwach besetzte Matrizen
- Bei vielen Anwendungen entstehen Gleichungssysteme bei denen nur wenige Elemente Werte ungleich 0 enthalten.
- Es gibt Methoden die solche Gleichungssysteme schneller lösen





# Sparse Matrices durch Wavelet- Decomposition

$$Ax = b$$

$$(\psi A \psi^{-1})(\psi x) = (\psi b)$$

Erweitern des ursprünglichen Gleichungssystems mit  $\psi$ , was eine Wavelettransformation darstellt.

Das neue Gleichungssystem ist dann sparse und kann schneller gelöst werden.

Der Lösungsvektor  $(\psi x)$  kann durch die inverse Wavelettransformation  $(\psi^{-1}x)$  in den gesuchten Lösungsvektor  $x$  zurücktransformiert werden.



# Sparse Matrices durch Wavelet-Decomposition

Bsp: A ... 4x4 Matrix

x,b ... 4 Vektor

$\Psi$  = (Haar-Wavelet)

1 1 1 1

1 -1 0 0

1 1 -1 -1

0 0 1 -1

A =

|         |         |         |         |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 1.9225  | 0.6175  | -0.0200 | -0.0200 |
| 0.6125  | 1.9075  | -0.0100 | -0.0100 |
| -0.0075 | -0.0125 | 4.6600  | -2.1400 |
| -0.0175 | -0.0225 | -2.1300 | 4.6700  |

$\Psi A \Psi^{-1}$  =

|         |        |        |        |
|---------|--------|--------|--------|
| 2.5000  | 0.0100 | 0      | 0      |
| 0       | 1.3000 | 0.0100 | 0      |
| -0.0000 | 0      | 2.5600 | 0      |
| 0.0000  | 0      | 0.0100 | 6.8000 |



# Zusammenfassung

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- Haar Wavelets
- Standard/Non-Standard decomposition
- Bildkompression, Effizientes Lösen von Gleichungssystemen, Kantendetektion