2D FFT with Simultaneous Edge Artifact Removal

The Problem

2D Fast Fourier Transforms (FFTs) become a computational constraint for real-time/near real-time systems. FFTs inherently assume that image edges are periodic leading to high amplitude "cross-shaped" artifacts in the frequency domain. These artifacts can be propagated to later stages of processing, adversely affecting decision critical applications, such as, medical diagnostics.

The Solution

Simultaneous Edge Artifact Removal by decomposing the image into periodic and smooth components in real-time.

Applications

- High speed industrial tracking
- Medical diagnostics (MRI, CT, etc.)
- Electron microscopy
- Astronomical imaging
- Image processing (convolution)

Smooth Component Smooth Component Periodic Component Periodic Component

Series of images showing FFT processing and Simultaneous Edge Artifact Removal of this technology implemented on FPGA. The smooth component is the artifact and the periodic component has had the artifact removed using this technology.

Keywords

Fourier transform, FFT, High-throughput FFT, 2D FFT, image decomposition, FPGA based FFTs

Opportunity

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Benefits

- Near-real-time processing
- Minimization of artifacts
- 100 fps for 2048 x 2048 pixel image

Patent Status

This technology is protected by an International Patent Application: PCT/JP2016/003401

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