

X-Ray Imaging

Photoelectric-effect:

Probability of photoelectric interactions:

$$\frac{\rho Z^3}{E^3}$$

ρ : mass density
 Z : atomic number
 E : photon energy

Anti-scatter grid

$$\text{Grid Ratio (GR)}: GR = \frac{h}{D+t}$$

h : height of lead strips

D : distance between lead strips (interstrip distance)

t : thickness of interstrip material

Lambert-Beer Law: $I(x) = I_0 e^{-\mu x}$

$I(x)$: Intensity of the x-ray after passing through material of thickness x

I_0 : Initial intensity of the x-ray

μ : linear attenuation (weakening) coefficient

x : thickness of the material the beam passes through

$$A \approx n_p$$

A : tube current

n_p : number of photons

CT Technology

$$\text{Hounsfield Unit (HU)}: HU = 1000 \cdot \left(\frac{\mu - \mu_{\text{water}}}{\mu_{\text{water}}} \right)$$

μ : Linear weakening coefficient of the tissue

μ_{water} : Linear weakening coefficient of water

HU : density (-1000 → air ; 1000 → Metal)

Spiral mode pitch: $p = \frac{d}{s}$

d : table distance travel per 360° gantry rotation

s : slice thickness

Forward projection:

$$p_\theta(r) = -\ln \frac{I_\theta(r)}{I_0} = \int_{L_{r,\theta}} \mu(r \cdot \cos(\theta) - s \cdot \sin(\theta), r \cdot \sin(\theta) + s \cdot \cos(\theta)) ds$$

$$p_\theta(r, \theta) = R\{f(x, y)\} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(r \cdot \cos(\theta) - s \cdot \sin(\theta), r \cdot \sin(\theta) + s \cdot \cos(\theta)) ds$$

$p_\theta(r)$: Projection of $\mu(x, y)$ along the angle θ

$p_\theta(r, \theta)$: Radon transformation

$\mu(x, y)$: X-Ray absorption at point (x, y)

r : radius

θ : angle

Backward projection:

$$b(x, y) = B\{p(r, \theta)\} = \int_0^{2\pi} p(r, \theta) d\theta = \int_0^{2\pi} p(x \cdot \cos(\theta) + y \cdot \sin(\theta), \theta) d\theta$$

Diskret:

$$b(x_i, y_j) = B\{p(r_n, \theta_m)\} = \sum_{m=1}^M p(x_i \cdot \cos(\theta_m) + y_j \cdot \sin(\theta_m), \theta_m) \Delta \theta$$

Ultrasound Imaging

Acoustic Impedance (Z): $Z = \rho c$

ρ : Density of the medium

c : speed of sound in the medium

Reflection Coefficient (R) for interfaces: $R = \left(\frac{Z_2 - Z_1}{Z_2 + Z_1} \right)^2$

Z_1, Z_2 : Acoustic impedances of two media

Near Field Depth (NFD) or Fresnel Zone: $L = \frac{d^2}{4\lambda} = \frac{d^2 f}{4c}$

L : Distance from transducer to the end of the near field

d : Diameter of the transducer

λ : Wavelength of the transducer

f : Frequency of the ultrasound wave

c : Speed of sound in the medium

$$f = \frac{c}{\lambda} \rightarrow c = f \cdot \lambda$$

λ : Wavelength

f : frequency

c : speed

Noise and Resolution in Imaging

$$\mu: \text{mean} = \frac{\sum \text{Werte}}{\text{Anzahl der Werte}}$$

$$\sigma: \text{std} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum ((\text{Wert} - \text{Mean})^2)}{\text{Anzahl der Werte} - 1}}$$

$$\text{contrast} = \frac{\text{Mean}(\text{Object}) - \text{Mean}(\text{Background})}{\text{Mean}(\text{Background})}$$

$$\text{Signal-Noise-Ratio: } SNR = \frac{\text{Mean}(\text{Object})}{\text{std}(\text{Background})}$$

$$SNR = \frac{N}{\sqrt{N}} = \sqrt{N} \quad N = \text{Average number of photons per Pixel}$$

$$\text{Contrast-Noise-Ratio: } CNR = \frac{\text{Mean}(\text{Object}) - \text{Mean}(\text{Background})}{\text{std}(\text{Object})}$$

Fourier Transform in Imaging

$$\text{Fourier Transform (FT): } F(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-2\pi i k x} dx$$

$$F(k_x, k_y) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x, y) e^{-2\pi i (k_x x + k_y y)} dx dy$$

$$\text{Inverse Fourier Transform (IFT): } f(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(k) e^{2\pi i k x} dk$$

$F(k)$: Fourier transform of $f(x)$

$f(x)$: Spatial domain function

k : Spatial frequency