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 - USG, USG 3D
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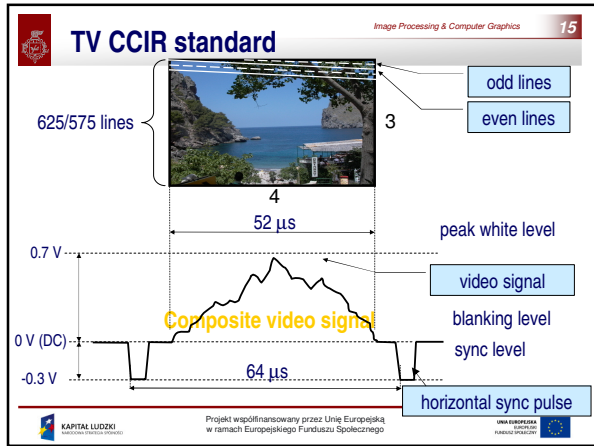
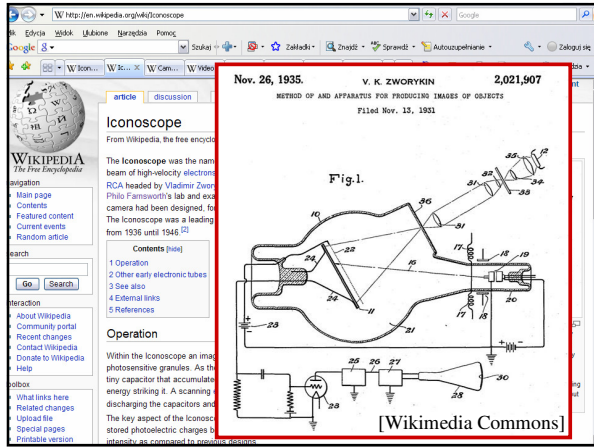
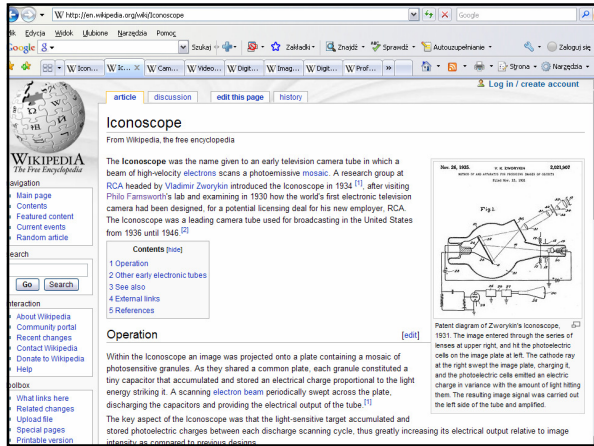


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Sampling of 1-D signals

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Sampling of 2-D signals

Image sampling function:

$$S(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \delta(x - i\Delta x, y - k\Delta y)$$

and a sampled image:

$$f_s(x, y) = f(x, y)S(x, y) = \sum_{i=0}^{M-1} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} f(i\Delta x, k\Delta y) \delta(x - i\Delta x, y - k\Delta y)$$

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Aliasing distortion - example

Scanned images:

500 dpi
100 dpi
(dots per inch)




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Wikipedia article: **Image scanner**

In computing, a **scanner** is a device that optically scans images, printed text, handwriting, or an object, and converts it to a digital image. Common examples found in offices are variations of the desktop (or flatbed) scanner where the document is placed on a glass window for scanning. Hand-held scanners, where the device is moved by hand, have evolved from text scanning "wand" to 3D scanners used for industrial design, reverse engineering, test and measurement, orthotics, gaming and other applications. Mechanically driven scanners that move the document are typically used for large-format documents, where a flatbed design would be impractical.

Modern scanners typically use a charge-coupled device (CCD) or a Contact Image Sensor (CIS) as the image sensor, whereas older drum scanners use a photomultiplier tube as the image sensor. A rotary scanner, used for high-speed document scanning, is another type of drum scanner, using a CCD array instead of a photomultiplier. Other types of scanners are planetary scanners, which take photographs of books and documents, and 3D scanners, for producing three-dimensional models of objects.

Another category of scanner is digital camera scanners, which are based on the concept of stereographic cameras. Due to increasing resolution and new features such as anti-shake, digital cameras have become an attractive alternative to regular scanners. While still having disadvantages compared to traditional scanners (such as distortion, reflections, shadows, low contrast), digital cameras offer advantages such as speed, portability, gentle digitizing of thick documents without damaging the book spine. New scanning technologies are combining 3D

Desktop scanner, with the lid raised. An object has been laid on the glass, ready for scanning.

Scan of the jade rhinoceros skull.

The first image scanner ever developed was a drum scanner. It was built in 1957 at the US National Bureau of Standards by a team led by Russell Kirsch. The first image ever scanned on this machine was a 5 cm square photograph of Kirsch's then-three-month-old son, Walden. The black and white image had a resolution of 176 pixels on a side.^[1]

Flatbed



A flatbed scanner is usually composed of a glass pane (or platen), under which there is a bright light (often xenon or cold cathode fluorescent) which illuminates the pane, and a moving optical array in CCD scanning. CCD type scanners typically contain three rows (arrays) of sensors with red, green, and blue filters. CIS scanning consists of a moving set of red, green and blue LEDs strobed for illumination and a connected monochromatic photodiode array for light collection. Images to be scanned are placed face down on the glass, an opaque cover is lowered over it to exclude ambient light, and the sensor array and light source move across the pane, reading the entire area. An image is therefore visible to the detector only because of the light it reflects. Transparent images do not work in this way, and require special accessories that illuminate them from the upper side. Many scanners offer this as an option.

Film

"Slide" (positive) or negative film can be scanned in equipment specially manufactured for this purpose. Usually, uncut film strips of up to six frames, or four mounted slides, are inserted in a carrier, which is moved by a stepper motor across a lens and CCD sensor inside the scanner. Some models mainly used for same-size scans.

Hand

Hand scanners come in two forms: document and 3D scanners. Hand held document scanners are manual devices that are dragged across the surface of the image to be scanned. Scanning documents in this manner requires a steady hand, as an uneven scanning rate would produce distorted images - a little light on the scanner would indicate if the motion was too fast. They typically have a "start" button, which is held by the user for the duration of the scan; some switches to set the optical resolution; and a roller, which generates a clock pulse for synchronization with the computer. Most hand scanners were monochrome, and produced light from an array of green LEDs to illuminate the image. A typical hand scanner also had a small window through which the document being scanned




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Colour coding in SVGA graphics cards

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Wikipedia article for Endoscopy. The page title is "Endoscopy" and it is noted as being redlinked from "Endoscopy". The article text states: "Endoscopy means looking inside and typically refers to looking inside the body for medical reasons using an instrument called an endoscope. Endoscopy can also refer to using a borescope in technical situations where direct line-of-sight observation is not feasible." The page includes a table of contents with 11 items, an overview section, and several images: "Endoscopic images of a duodenal ulcer", "A flexible endoscope", and a "flexible endoscope" image.



Wikipedia article for Fiberscope. The page title is "Fiberscope" and it is noted as being redlinked from "Fiberscope". The article text states: "A fiberscope is a flexible fiber optic bundle with an eyepiece at one end, and a lens at the other. It is used for inspection work, often to examine small components in tightly packed equipment, when the inspector cannot easily access the part requiring inspection." The page includes a table of contents with 4 items, an "In popular media" section, and one image: "A low quality fiberscope observing the inside of an antique clock mechanism. Note how individual fibers are discernable, as each fiber only relays one general color." The text in the "In popular media" section mentions the 1982 film Who Dares Wins and the video game Rainbow Six Vegas.



Wikipedia article for Bronchoscopy. The page title is "Bronchoscopy" and it is noted as being redlinked from "Bronchoscopy". The article text states: "Bronchoscopy is a technique of visualizing the inside of the airways for diagnostic and therapeutic purposes. An instrument (bronchoscope) is inserted into the airways, usually through the nose or mouth, or occasionally through a tracheostomy. This allows the practitioner to examine the patient's airways for abnormalities such as foreign bodies, bleeding, tumors, or inflammation." The page includes a table of contents with 8 items, an "History" section, and one image: "A physician performing bronchoscopy." The text also mentions bronchoscopes ranging from rigid metal tubes to flexible fiberoptic instruments with realtime video equipment.



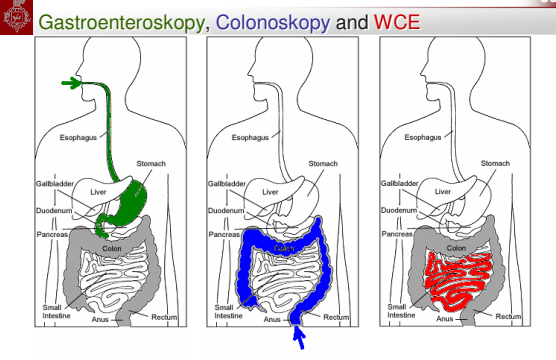
Wikipedia article for **Esophagogastroduodenoscopy** (EGD). The page includes a table of contents with 8 sections, an overview of the procedure, and a box for coding information:

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Wikipedia article for **Colonoscopy**. The page includes a table of contents, a detailed text description of the procedure, and a box for coding information:

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Gastroenteroskopy, Kolonoskopy and WCE

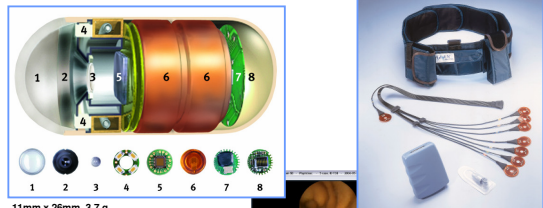


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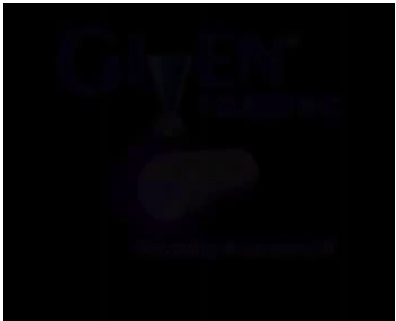
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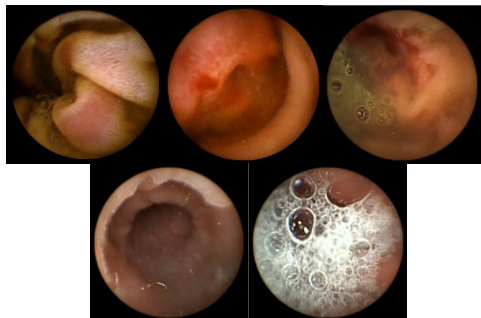
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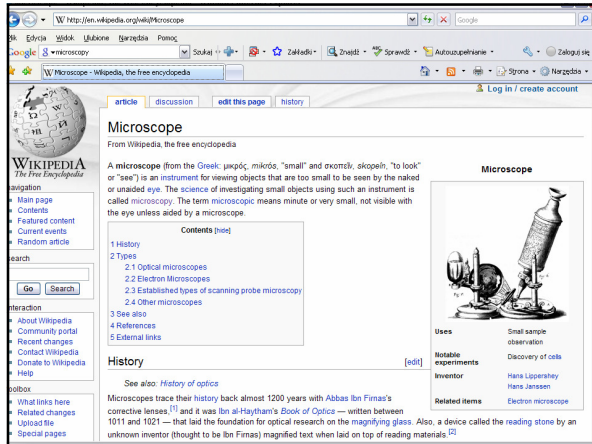


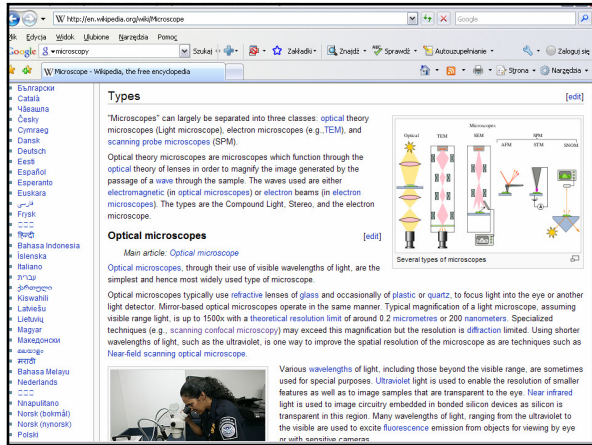
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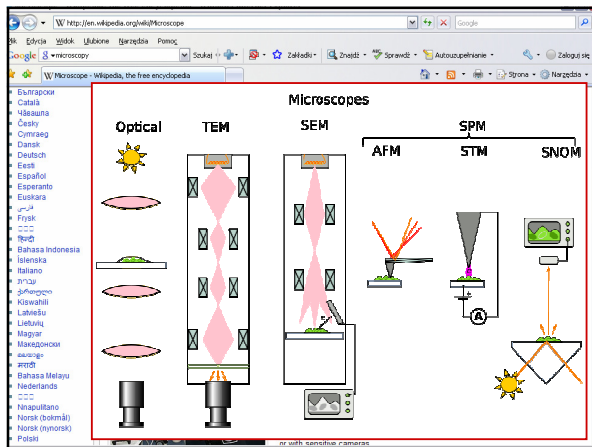
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http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Confocal_microscopy

Confocal microscopy
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

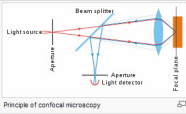
Confocal microscopy is an optical imaging technique used to increase micrograph contrast and/or to reconstruct three-dimensional images by using a spatial pinhole to eliminate out-of-focus light or flare in specimens that are thicker than the focal plane.^[1] This technique has gained popularity in the scientific and industrial communities. Typical applications include life sciences and semiconductor inspection.

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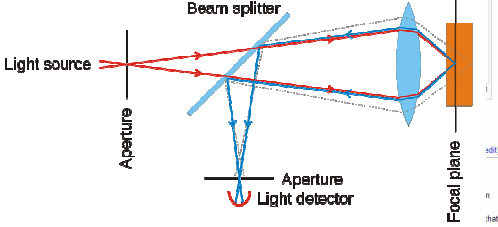
Basic concept [edit]

The principle of confocal imaging was patented by Marvin Minsky in 1961^[2] in a conventional (i.e., wide-field) fluorescence microscope, the entire specimen is flooded in light from a light source. Due to the conservation of light intensity transportation, all parts of the specimen throughout the optical path will be excited and the fluorescence detected by a photodetector or a camera. In contrast, a confocal microscope uses point illumination and a pinhole in an optically conjugate plane in front of the detector to eliminate out-of-focus information. Only the light within the focal plane can be detected, so the image quality is much better than that of wide-field images. As only one point is illuminated at a time in confocal microscopy, 2D or 3D imaging requires scanning over a regular raster (i.e., a rectangular pattern of parallel scanning lines) in the specimen. The thickness of the focal plane is defined mostly by the square of the numerical aperture of the objective lens, and also by the optical properties of the specimen and the ambient



http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Confocal_microscopy

Confocal microscopy
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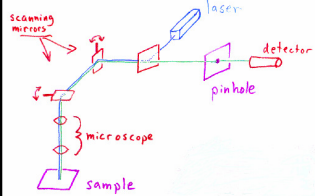


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How does a confocal microscope work?

We put all these ingredients together:



A laser is used to provide the excitation light (in order to get very high intensities). The laser light (blue) reflects off a dichroic mirror. From there, the laser hits two mirrors which are mounted on motors; these mirrors scan the laser across the sample. Dye in the sample fluoresces, and the emitted light (green) gets descanned by the same mirrors that are used to scan the excitation light (blue) from the laser. The emitted light passes through the dichroic and is focused onto the pinhole. The light that passes through the pinhole is measured by a detector, i.e., a photomultiplier tube.

So, there never is a complete image of the sample -- at any given instant, only one point of the sample is observed. The detector is attached to a computer which builds up the image, one point at a time. In practice, this can be done perhaps 3 times a second, for a 512x512 pixel image. The limitation is in the scanning mirrors. Our confocal microscope (from Noran) uses a special Acoustic Optical Deflector in place of one of the mirrors, in order to speed up the

Wikipedia article: Computed tomography


Computed tomography
From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

Computed tomography (CT) is a medical imaging method employing tomography. Digital geometry processing is used to generate a three-dimensional image of the inside of an object from a large series of two-dimensional X-ray images taken around a single axis of rotation. The word "tomography" is derived from the Greek *tomos* (slice) and *graphein* (to write).

Computed tomography was originally known as the "EMI scan" as it was developed at a research branch of EMI, a company best known today for its music and recording business. It was later known as computed axial tomography (CAT or CT scan) and body section radiography.

CT produces a volume of data which can be manipulated, through a process known as windowing, in order to demonstrate various structures based on their ability to block the X-ray/Röntgen beam. Although historically (see below) the images generated were in the axial or transverse plane (orthogonal to the long axis of the body), modern scanners allow this volume of data to be reformatted in various planes or even as volumetric (3D) representations of structures.

Although most common in medicine, CT is also used in other fields, such as nondestructive materials testing. Another example is the DigMouse project at the University of Texas at Austin which uses a CT scanner to study biological and paleontological specimens.



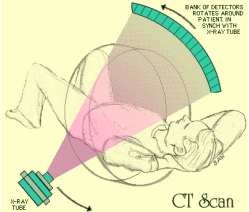
A Multislice CT Scanner: Philips Brilliance 64-channel BigBore slice

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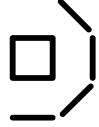
CT



BANK OF DETECTORS ROTATES AROUND PATIENT IN OPPOSITE X-RAY TUBE

X-RAY TUBE

CT Scan



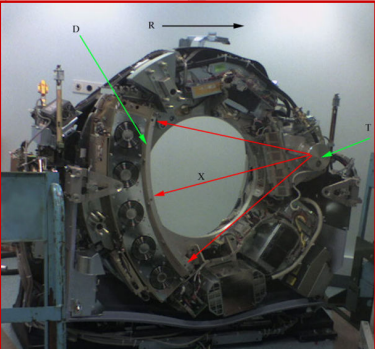
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Wikipedia article: Computed tomography



CT scanner with cover removed to show the principle of operation

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Wikipedia article: **Windowing**

Windowing is the process of using the calculated Hounsfield units to make an image. A typical display device can only resolve 256 shades of gray, some specialty medical displays can resolve up to 1024 shades of gray. These shades of gray can be distributed over a wide range of HU values to get an overview of structures that attenuate the beam to widely varying degrees. Alternatively, these shades of gray can be distributed over a narrow range of HU values (called a "narrow window" centered over the average HU value of a particular structure to be evaluated. In this way, subtle variations in the internal makeup of the structure can be discerned. This is a commonly used image processing technique known as **contrast compression**. For example, to evaluate the abdomen in order to find subtle masses in the liver, one might use liver windows. Choosing 70 HU as an average HU value for liver, the shades of gray can be distributed over a narrow window or range. One could use 170 HU as the narrow window, with 85 HU above the 70 HU average value, 85 HU below it. Therefore the liver window would extend from -15 HU to +155 HU. All the shades of gray for the image would be distributed in this range of Hounsfield values. Any HU value below -15 would be pure black, and any HU value above 155 HU would be pure white in this example. Using this same logic, bone windows would use a "wide window" (to evaluate everything from fat-containing medullary bone that contains the marrow, to the dense cortical bone), and the center or level would be a value in the hundreds of Hounsfield units. To an untrained person, these window controls would correspond to the more familiar "Brightness" (Window Level) and "Contrast" (Window Width) w/cw

Artifacts

Although CT is a relatively accurate test, it is liable to produce artifacts, such as the following:

- Aliasing Artifact or Streaks**

These appear as dark lines which radiate away from sharp corners. It occurs because it is impossible for the scanner to "sample" or take enough projections of the object, which is usually metallic. It can also occur when an insufficient X-ray tube current is selected, and insufficient penetration of the x-ray occurs. These artifacts are also closely tied to motion during a scan. This type of artifact commonly occurs in head images around the pituitary fossa area.

- Partial Volume Effect**

This appears as blurring over sharp edges. It is due to the scanner being unable to differentiate between a small amount of high-density material (e.g. bone) and a larger amount of lower density (e.g. cartilage). The processor tries to average out the two densities or structures, and information is lost. This can be partially overcome by scanning using thinner slices.

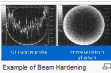
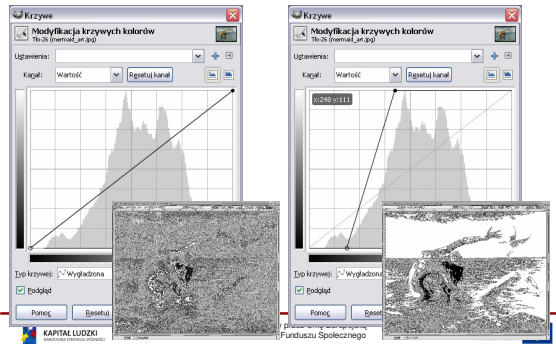



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Windowing (gray scale)




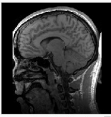

Wikipedia article: **Magnetic resonance imaging**

MRI redirects here. For other uses, see MRI (disambiguation).

Magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), or nuclear magnetic resonance imaging (NMRI), is primarily a medical imaging technique most commonly used in radiology to visualize the structure and function of the body. It provides detailed images of the body in any plane. MRI provides much greater contrast between the different soft tissues of the body than computed tomography (CT) does, making it especially useful in neurological (brain), musculoskeletal, cardiovascular, and oncological (cancer) imaging. Unlike CT, it uses no ionizing radiation, but uses a powerful magnetic field to align the nuclear magnetization of (usually) hydrogen atoms in water in the body. Radiofrequency fields are used to systematically alter the alignment of this magnetization, causing the hydrogen nuclei to produce a rotating magnetic field detectable by the scanner. This signal can be manipulated by additional magnetic fields to build up enough information to construct an image of the body.^{[1][2]}

MRI is a relatively new technology, which has been in use for little more than 30 years (compared with over 110 years for X-ray radiography). The first MRI image was published in 1973^[3] and the first study performed on a human took place on July 3, 1977.^[4]

Magnetic resonance imaging was developed from knowledge gained in the study of nuclear magnetic resonance. In its early years the technique was referred to as nuclear magnetic resonance imaging (NMRI). However, as the word nuclear was associated in the public mind with ionizing radiation exposure it is generally now referred to simply as MRI. Scientists still use the term NMRI when discussing non-medical devices operating on the same principles. The term Magnetic Resonance Tomography (MRT) is also sometimes used. One of the contributors to modern MRI, Paul Lauterbur, originally named the technique *zeugmatography*, a Greek term meaning "that which is used for joining".^[5] The term referred to the interaction between the static,


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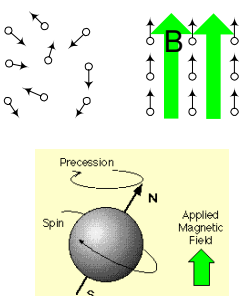


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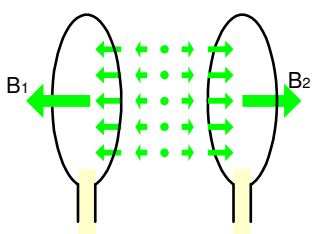
- Protons (in hydrogen) have spin
- Spins are directed by B
- Precession
- Precession frequency depends on B

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align in two energy eigenstates (Zeeman effect) one low-energy, and one high-energy, which are separated by a certain splitting energy.

Resonance and relaxation

Main article: [Relaxation \(NMR\)](#) [edit]

In the static magnetic fields commonly used in MRI, the energy difference between the nuclear spin states corresponds to a photon at radio frequency (rf) wavelengths. Resonant absorption of energy by the protons due to an external oscillating magnetic field will occur at the Larmor frequency for the particular nucleus.

The net magnetization vector has two components. The longitudinal magnetization is due to a tiny excess of protons in the lower energy state. This gives a net polarization parallel to the external field. Application of an rf pulse can destroy (with a so-called 90° pulse) or even reverse (with a so-called 180° pulse) this polarization vector. The transverse magnetization is due to coherences forming between the two proton energy states following an rf pulse typically of 90°. This gives a net polarization perpendicular to the external field in the transverse plane. The recovery of longitudinal magnetization is called longitudinal or T_1 relaxation and occurs exponentially with a time constant T_1 . The loss of phase coherence in the transverse plane is called transverse or T_2 relaxation. T_2 is thus associated with the enthalpy of the spin system (the amount of spins in parallel/anti-parallel state) while T_1 is associated with its entropy (the amount of spins in phase).

When the radio frequency pulse is turned off, the transverse vector component produces an oscillating magnetic field which induces a small current in the receiver coil. This signal is called the free induction decay (FID). In an idealized nuclear magnetic resonance experiment, the FID decays approximately exponentially with a time constant T_2 , but in practical MRI small differences in the static magnetic field at different spatial locations ('inhomogeneities') cause the Larmor frequency to vary across the body creating destructive interference which shortens the FID. The time constant for the observed decay of the FID is called the T_2^* ('T 2 star') relaxation time, and is always shorter than T_2 . Also, when the radio frequency pulse is turned off, the longitudinal magnetization starts to recover exponentially with a time constant T_1 .

In MRI, the static magnetic field is caused to vary across the body (a field gradient), so that different spatial locations become associated with different precession frequencies. Usually these field gradients are pulsed, and it is the almost infinite variety of if and gradient pulse sequences that give MRI its versatility. Application of field gradient destroys the FID signal, but this can be recovered and measured by a refocusing gradient (to create a so-called "gradient echo"), or by a radio frequency pulse (to create a so-called "spin-echo"). The whole process can be repeated when some T_1 -relaxation has occurred and the thermal equilibrium of the spins has



Example of a pulse sequence [edit]

In the timing diagram, the horizontal axis represents time. The vertical axis represents: (top row) amplitude of radiofrequency pulses; (middle row) amplitudes of the three orthogonal magnetic field gradient pulses; and (bottom row) receiver analog-to-digital converter (ADC). Radiofrequencies are transmitted at the Larmor frequency of the nuclei to be imaged; for example for ^1H in a magnetic field of 1T, a frequency of 42.5761 MHz would be employed. The three field gradients are labeled G_x (typically corresponding to a patient's Left-to-Right direction and colored red in diagram), G_y (typically corresponding to a patient's Front-to-Back direction and colored green in diagram), and G_z (typically corresponding to a patient's Head-to-Toe direction and colored blue in diagram). Where negative-going gradient pulses are shown, they represent reversal of the gradient direction, i.e. Right-to-Left, Back-to-Front or Toe-to-Head. For human scanning gradient strengths of 1-100 mT/m are employed: higher gradient strengths permit better resolution and faster imaging. The pulse sequence shown here would produce a two-slice (axial) image.

The first part of the pulse sequence, SS, achieves Slice Selection. A shaped pulse (shown here with a sinc modulation) causes a 90° ($\pi/2$ radian) rotation of longitudinal nuclear magnetization within a slab, or slice, creating transverse magnetization. The second part of the pulse sequence, PE, imparts a phase shift upon the slice-selected nuclear magnetization, varying with its location in the Y



Imaging

A number of schemes have been devised for combining field gradients and radiofrequency excitation to create an image. One involves 2D or 3D reconstruction from projections, much as in [Computed Tomography](#). Others involve building the image point-by-point or line-by-line. One even uses gradients in the rf field rather than the static field. Although each of these schemes is occasionally used in specialist applications, the majority of MR images today are created either by the Two-Dimensional Fourier Transform (2D-FT) technique with slice selection, or by the Three-Dimensional Fourier Transform (3DFT) technique. Another name for 3DFT is spin-warp. What follows here is a description of the 2DFT technique with slice selection.

Slice selection is achieved by applying a magnetic gradient in addition to the external magnetic field during the radio frequency pulse. Only one plane within the object will have protons that are on-resonance and contribute to the signal.

A real image can be considered as being composed of a number of spatial frequencies at different orientations. A two-dimensional Fourier transformation of a real image will express these waves as a matrix of spatial frequencies known as k-space. Low spatial frequencies are represented at the center of k-space and high spatial frequencies at the periphery. Frequency and phase encoding are used to measure the amplitudes of a range of spatial frequencies within the object being imaged.

The frequency encoding gradient is applied during readout of the signal and is orthogonal to the slice selection gradient. During application of the gradient the frequency differences in the readout direction progressively change. At the midpoint of the readout these differences are small and the low spatial frequencies in the image are sampled filling the center of k-space. Higher spatial frequencies will be sampled towards the beginning and end of the readout filling the periphery of k-space.

Phase encoding is applied in the remaining orthogonal plane and uses the same principle of sampling the object for different spatial frequencies. However, it is applied for a brief period before the readout and the strength of the gradient is changed incrementally between each radio frequency pulse. For each phase encoding step a line of k-space is filled.

Either a spin echo or a gradient echo can be used to refocus the magnetisation.

The 3DFT technique is rather similar except that there is no slice selection and phase-encoding is performed two separate directions. Another scheme which is sometimes used, especially in brain scanning or where images are needed very rapidly, is called echo-planar imaging (EPI); in this case each excitation is followed by a whole train of gradient echoes with different spatial encoding.

Image contrast and contrast enhancement

Image contrast is created by differences in the strength of the NMR signal recovered from different locations within the sample. This



Wikipedia article: **k-space (MRI)**

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For other uses, see *reciprocal lattice*.

k-space is a formalism widely used in magnetic resonance imaging independently introduced in 1983 by Ljunggren^[1] and Twieg^[2].

Simply speaking, k-space is the temporary image space in which data from digitized MR signals are stored during data acquisition. When k-space is full (at the end of the scan), the data are mathematically processed to produce a final image. Thus k-space holds raw data before reconstruction.

k-space is in spatial frequency domain. Thus if we define k_{FE} and k_{PE} such that

$$k_{FE} = \gamma G_{FE} m \Delta t$$

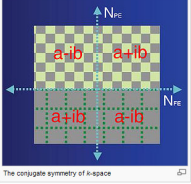
and

$$k_{PE} = \gamma m \Delta G_{PE} \tau$$

where FE refers to frequency encoding, PE to phase encoding, Δt is the sampling time (the reciprocal of sampling frequency), τ is the duration of G_{FE} , γ (gamma bar) is the gyromagnetic ratio, m is the sample number in the FE direction and n is the sample number in the PE direction (also known as partition number), the 2D-Fourier Transform of this encoded signal results in a representation of the spin density distribution in two dimensions. Thus position (x, y) and spatial frequency (k_{FE}, k_{PE}) constitute a Fourier transform pair.

k-space has the same number of rows and columns as the final image. During the scan, k-space is filled with raw data one line per TR (Repetition Time).

Although a strict mathematical proof does not exist and counterexamples can be provided, in most cases it is safe to say that data in




Wikipedia article: **Magnetic resonance angiography**


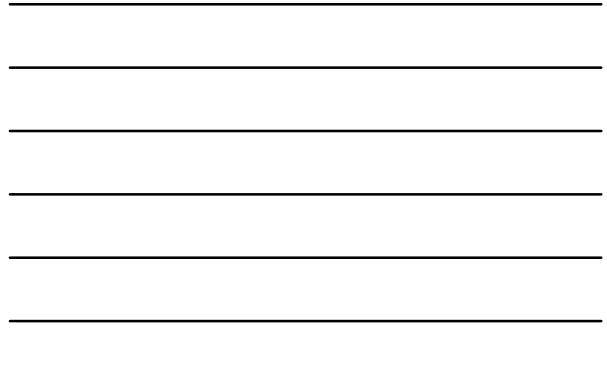
Main article: *Magnetic resonance angiography*

Magnetic resonance angiography (MRA) is used to generate pictures of the arteries in order to evaluate them for *stenosis* (abnormal narrowing) or *aneurysms* (vessel wall dilations, at risk of rupture). MRA is often used to evaluate the arteries of the neck and brain, the thoracic and abdominal aorta, the renal arteries, and the legs (called a "run-off"). A variety of techniques can be used to generate the pictures, such as administration of a paramagnetic contrast agent (gadolinium) or using a technique known as "flow-related enhancement" (e.g. 2D and 3D time-of-flight sequences), where most of the signal on an image is due to blood which has recently moved into that plane, see also FLASH MRI). Techniques involving phase accumulation (known as phase contrast angiography) can also be used to generate flow velocity maps easily and accurately. Magnetic resonance venography (MRV) is a similar procedure that is used to image veins. In this method the tissue is now excited inferiorly while signal is gathered in the plane immediately superior to the excitation plane, and thus imaging the venous blood which has recently moved from the excited plane.

Magnetic Resonance Gated Intracranial CSF Dynamics (MR-GILD)

Magnetic resonance gated intracranial cerebrospinal fluid (CSF) or liquor dynamics (MR-GILD) technique is an MR sequence based on bipolar gradient pulse used to demonstrate CSF pulsatile flow in ventricles, cisterns, aqueduct of Sylvius and entire intracranial CSF pathway. It is a method for analyzing CSF circulatory system dynamics in patients with CSF obstructive lesions such as normal pressure hydrocephalus. It also allows visualization of both arterial and venous pulsatile blood flow in vessels without use of contrast agents. [17] [18]

Diastolic time data acquisition (DTDA), Systolic time data acquisition (STDA).

Wikipedia article: **Functional MRI**

Main article: *Functional magnetic resonance imaging*

Functional MRI (fMRI) measures signal changes in the brain that are due to changing neural activity. The brain is scanned at low resolution but at a rapid rate (typically once every 2–3 seconds). Increases in neural activity cause changes in the MR signal via T2* changes^[1]; this mechanism is referred to as the BOLD (blood-oxygen-level dependent) effect. Increased neural activity causes an increased demand for oxygen, and the vascular system actually overcompensates for this, increasing the amount of oxygenated hemoglobin relative to deoxygenated hemoglobin. Because deoxygenated hemoglobin attenuates the MR signal, the vascular response leads to a signal increase that is related to the neural activity. The precise nature of the relationship between neural activity and the BOLD signal is a subject of current research. The BOLD effect also allows for the generation of high resolution 3D maps of the venous vasculature within neural tissue.

While BOLD signal is the most common method employed for neuroscience studies in human subjects, the flexible nature of MR imaging provides means to sensitize the signal to other aspects of the blood supply. Alternative techniques employ *arterial spin labeling* (ASL) or weight the MRI signal by cerebral blood flow (CBF) and cerebral blood volume (CBV). The CBV method requires injection of a class of MRI contrast agents that are now in human clinical trials. Because this method has been shown to be far more sensitive than the BOLD technique in preclinical studies, it may potentially expand the role of fMRI in clinical applications. The CBF method provides more quantitative information than the BOLD signal, albeit at a significant loss of detection sensitivity.

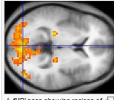
Here is a video compiled of MRI scans showing two arachnoid cysts: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PF_mDsdvSag

Interventional MRI

Main article: *Interventional MRI*

The lack of harmful effects on the patient and the operator make MRI well-suited for "interventional radiology", where the images produced by a MRI scanner are used to guide minimally-invasive procedures. Of course, such procedures must be done without any ferromagnetic instruments.

A central/brain region subset of interventional MRI is that of *intraoperative MRI* in which the MRI is used in the surgical process.




Medical ultrasonography

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia

"Sonography" redirects here. For the tactile alphabet called "sonography", see *Night writing*.

Diagnostic sonography (ultrasonography) is an **ultrasound**-based diagnostic **imaging** technique used to visualize subcutaneous body structures including tendons, muscles, joints, vessels and internal organs for possible pathology or lesions. Obstetric sonography is commonly used during pregnancy and is widely recognized by the public. There are a plethora of diagnostic and therapeutic applications practiced in medicine.

In physics the term "ultrasound" applies to all acoustic energy with a frequency above human hearing (20,000 hertz or 20 kilohertz). Typical diagnostic sonographic scanners operate in the frequency range of 2 to 18 megahertz, hundreds of times greater than the limit of human hearing. The choice of frequency is a trade-off between spatial resolution of the image and imaging depth: lower frequencies produce less resolution but image deeper into the body.

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A fetus in the womb, viewed as a B-scan

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layers causing reflections

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Layer no.

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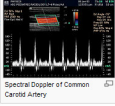
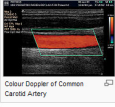

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Wikipedia article: **Doppler sonography**

Sonography can be enhanced with Doppler measurements, which employ the Doppler effect to assess whether structures (usually blood) are moving towards or away from the probe, and its relative velocity. By calculating the frequency shift of a particular sample volume, for example a jet of blood flow over a heart valve, its speed and direction can be determined and visualised. This is particularly useful in cardiovascular studies (sonography of the vasculature system and heart) and essential in many areas such as determining reverse blood flow in the liver vasculature in portal hypertension. The Doppler information is displayed graphically using spectral Doppler, or as an image using color Doppler (directional Doppler) or power Doppler (non directional Doppler). This Doppler shift falls in the audible range and is often presented aurally using stereo speakers; this produces a very distinctive, although synthetic, pulsing sound.

Most modern sonographic machines use pulsed Doppler to measure velocity. Pulsed wave machines transmit and receive series of pulses. The frequency shift of each pulse is ignored, however the relative phase changes of the pulses are used to obtain the frequency shift (since frequency is the rate of change of phase). The major advantages of pulsed Doppler over continuous wave is that distance information is obtained (the time between the transmitted and received pulses can be converted into a distance with knowledge of the speed of sound) and gain correction is applied. The disadvantage of pulsed Doppler is that the measurements can suffer from aliasing. The terminology "Doppler ultrasound" or "Doppler sonography", has been accepted to apply to both pulsed and continuous Doppler systems despite the different mechanisms by which the velocity is measured.

It should be noted here that there are no standards for the display of color Doppler. Some laboratories insist on showing arteries as red and veins as blue, as medical illustrators usually show them, even though, as a result, a tortuous vessel may have portions with flow toward and away relative to the transducer. This can result in the illogical appearance of blood flow in both directions in the same vessel. Other laboratories use red to indicate flow toward the transducer and blue away from the transducer which is the reverse of 150 years of astronomy literature. Still other laboratories prefer to display the sonographic Doppler color map more in accord with the


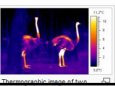

Wikipedia article: **Thermography**

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This article is about the infrared imaging technique. For the printing technique called thermography, see thermographic printing.

Infrared Thermography, thermal imaging, thermographic imaging, or thermal video, is a type of infrared imaging science. Thermographic cameras detect radiation in the infrared range of the electromagnetic spectrum (roughly 900–14,000 nanometers or 0.9–14 μm) and produce images of that radiation. Since infrared radiation is emitted by all objects based on their temperatures, according to the black body radiation law, thermography makes it possible to "see" one's environment with or without visible illumination. The amount of radiation emitted by an object increases with temperature, therefore thermography allows one to see variations in temperature (hence the name). When viewed by thermographic camera, warm objects stand out well against cooler backgrounds; humans and other warm-blooded animals become easily visible against the environment, day or night. As a result, thermography's extensive use can historically be ascribed to the military and security services.

Thermal imaging has many uses. For example, firefighters use it to see through smoke, find persons, and localize the base of a fire. With thermal imaging, power lines maintenance technicians locate overheating joints and parts, a telltale sign of their failure, to eliminate potential hazards. Where thermal insulation becomes faulty, building construction technicians can see **thermal structures that indicate heat leaks and to improve the efficiencies of cooling or heating**.


Wikipedia article: **Types**

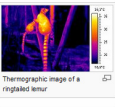

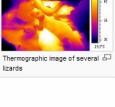
Thermographic cameras can be broadly divided into two types: those with cooled infrared image detectors and those with uncooled detectors.

Cooled infrared detectors

Cooled detectors are typically contained in a vacuum-sealed case or flask and cryogenically cooled. This greatly increases their sensitivity since their own temperatures are much lower than that of the objects from which they are meant to detect radiation. Typical cooling temperatures range from 4 K to 110 K, 80 K to 90 K being the most common. Without cooling, these sensors (which detect and convert light in much the same way as common digital cameras, but are made of different materials) would be "blinded" or "flooded" by their own radiation. The drawbacks of cooled infrared cameras are that they are expensive both to produce and to run. Cooling and evacuating are power- and time-consuming. The camera may need several minutes to cool down before it can begin working. Although the components that lower temperature and pressure are generally bulky and expensive, cooled infrared cameras provide superior image quality compared to uncooled ones. One approach is to use high pressure nitrogen cleaned to a very high standard (white spot 6->7 equivalent). The pressurised gas is expanded via a micro-sized orifice and passed over a miniature heat exchanger resulting in regenerative cooling via the Joule Thomson effect of the expanding gas cooling & heat exchanger combination. It is not difficult to imagine the cost of creating, storing and deploying such a system.

Materials used for infrared detection include liquid helium cooled silicon bolometers, and a wide range of cheaper narrow gap semiconductor devices including:

- indium antimonide
- indium arsenide
- mercury cadmium telluride
- lead sulfide
- lead selenide


Small arrays have been demonstrated. Their wide range use is difficult because their high sensitivity requires careful shielding from the background radiation.

Uncooled infrared detectors

Uncooled thermal cameras use a sensor operating at ambient temperature, or a sensor stabilized at a temperature close to ambient using small temperature control elements. Modern uncooled detectors all use sensors that work by the change of resistance, voltage or current when heated by infrared radiation. These changes are then measured and compared to the values at the operating temperature of the sensor. Uncooled infrared sensors can be stabilized to an operating temperature to reduce image noise, but they are not cooled to low temperatures and do not require bulky, expensive cryogenic coolers. This makes infrared cameras smaller and less costly. However, their resolution and image quality tend to be lower than cooled detectors. This is due to difference in their fabrication processes, limited by currently available technology.

Uncooled detectors are mostly based on pyroelectric and ferroelectric materials [1] or microbolometer technology.

Some of the materials used for the sensor arrays are eg. [2]

- vanadium(V) oxide (metal insulator phase change material, for microbolometer arrays)
- lanthanum barium manganite (LBMG, metal insulator phase change material)
- amorphous silicon
- lead zirconate titanate (PZT)
- lanthanum doped lead zirconate titanate (PLZT)
- lead scandium tantalate (PST)
- lead lanthanum titanate (PLT)
- lead titanate (PT)
- lead zinc niobate (PZN)
- lead strontium titanate (PST)
- barium strontium titanate (BST)
- barium titanate (BT)
- antimony sulfide (Sb₂S₃)
- polyvinylidene difluoride (PVDF)

Thermographer training

Gray Scale and Monochrome

The most common way to show different intensities is encoding in monochrome color palettes. A monochrome color bar has different intensities, but shows the same or at least similar colors. Normally gray scales are taken (often called black and white, B/W), but also very popular is the "heat" palette from black, dark orange, bright yellow to white. Liberally these methods are false color images, nevertheless this term is conventionally used for the kind of images in the next section.

[M42, Orion Nebula](#) [M31, Andromeda Galaxy](#) [More monochrome images](#)

False Colors

Sometimes mistakenly called Pseudo Colors

As the name suggests, false colors have nothing to do with the real intrinsic colors of the shown object. Many different and arbitrary selected colors can be chosen in one color bar as shown in the examples below. If chosen right, this enhances the visible range of intensities in the image. Small differences in intensity are easily visible if they are presented with different colors.

A non continuous color bar is visualizing isophotes, i.e. lines of equal intensities.

[Comet Hyakutake](#) [Faint Nebula M57](#) [More false color images](#)

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Pseudo (false) colors

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