

Mathematical methods in X-ray tomography

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Prerequisites:

1. Fourier analysis:
Fourier transform, Fourier series, Shannon's sampling theorem.
2. Numerical analysis:
Fast Fourier transform (FFT), basic iterative methods,
singular value decomposition (SVD).

Contents:

1. Integral geometry:
Radon transform, ray transform, cone beam transform, attenuated
Radon transform, inversion formulas of Radon, Cormack, Orlov,
Grangeat, Novikov, range characterization.
2. Inversion algorithms:
Filtered backprojection, Fourier reconstruction, iterative algorithms
(ART and EM), approximate and exact algorithms for cone-beam tomography,
two-stage algorithm for 3D Radon inversion.
3. Non-standard problems:
Missing data, unknown orientations, unknown attenuation, local
tomography, efficient scanning.
4. Applications:
X-ray CT, emission CT (SPECT and PET), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI),
electron microscopy, radar (SAR), GPS.

Suggested reading:

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Fundamentals of Computerized Tomography. Academic Press 1980.
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IEEE Press 1987.
4. Natterer, F. and Wuebbeling, F.: Mathematical Methods in Image

Reconstruction. SIAM 2001 (to appear April 2001).

5. Epstein, Ch.L.: Lectures on the mathematics of medical imaging.
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