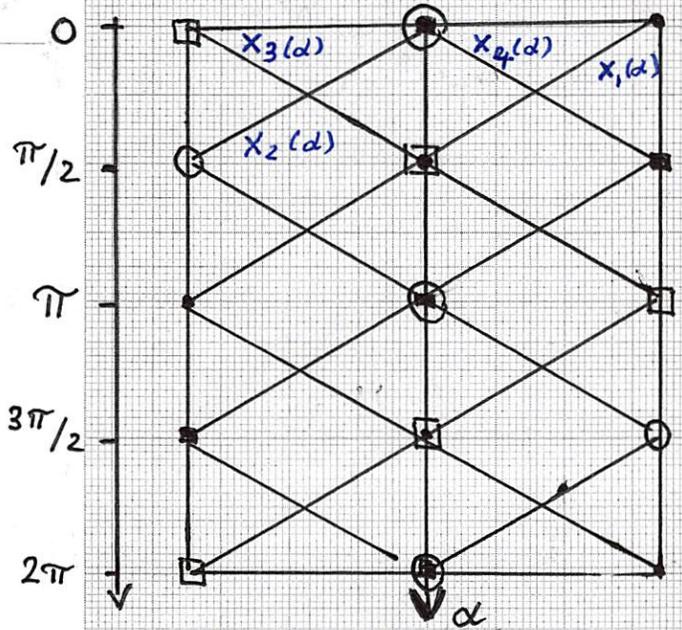
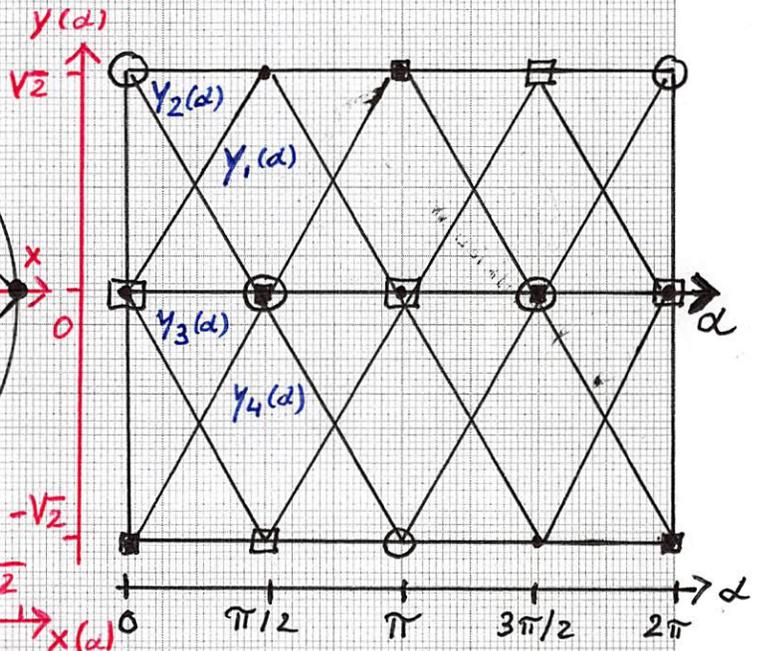
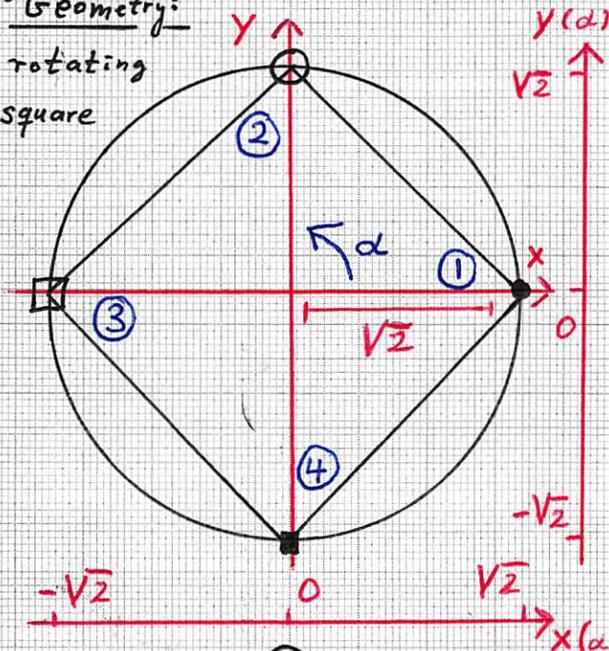


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■ RECONSTRUCTION: PROJECTION OF A UNIT SQUARE,
ANALYTICAL SOLUTION

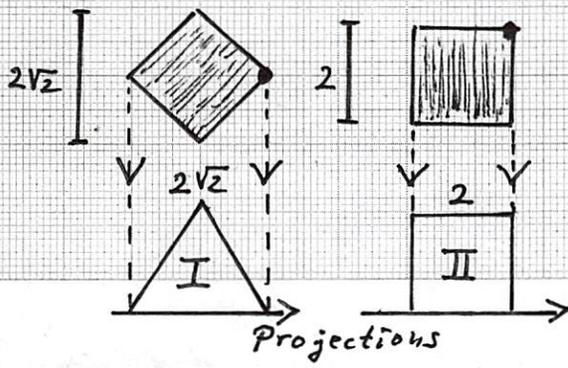
• Geometry:
rotating square



$$\begin{aligned}
 y_1(\alpha) &= \sin \alpha \\
 y_2(\alpha) &= \cos \alpha \\
 y_3(\alpha) &= -\sin \alpha \\
 y_4(\alpha) &= -\cos \alpha \\
 x_1(\alpha) &= \cos \alpha \\
 x_2(\alpha) &= -\sin \alpha \\
 x_3(\alpha) &= -\cos \alpha \\
 x_4(\alpha) &= \sin \alpha
 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ $\begin{pmatrix} x_i(\alpha) \\ y_i(\alpha) \end{pmatrix} =$
"movement" of point \textcircled{i} on circle with radius $\sqrt{2}$; $\alpha \in [0, 2\pi]$

• GOAL: ANALYTICALLY DEFINED PROJECTIONS!



⇐ Two extreme projection cases:

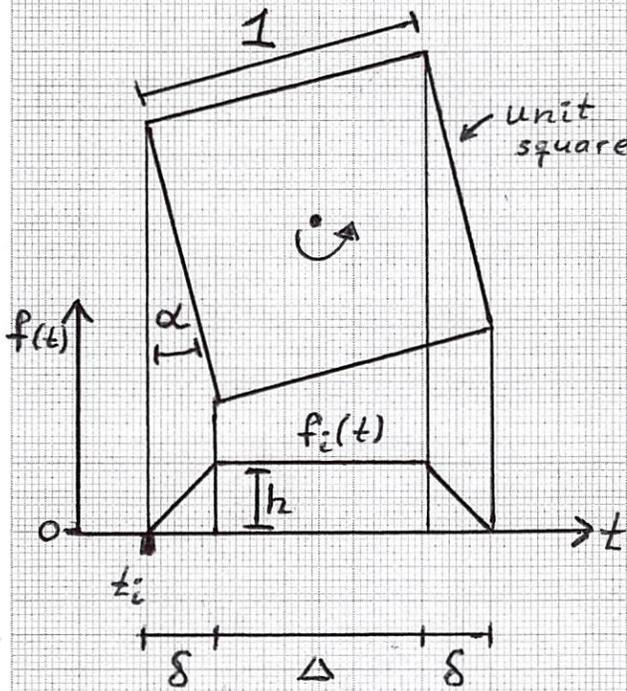
- I) projection = hat function
- II) projection = box function

⇒ The rotating square produces projections with 2 linear pieces and 1 constant piece.

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RECONSTRUCTION: SQUARE PROJECTION, ANALYTICAL SOLUTION

(→ See notes from 4/2/2018, pp. 3 ff)



- Rotating square produces smoothly varying projections - BLaC functions $f_i(t)$, depending on angle α

- Consider case $0 \leq \alpha \leq \pi/4$:

$$\delta = \sin \alpha = s\alpha$$

$$\Delta = \cos \alpha - \sin \alpha = c\alpha - s\alpha$$

$$h = 1/(\delta + \Delta)$$

- $f_i(t) = 0, t < t_i$
 $= \frac{h}{\delta} (t - t_i), t_i \leq t < t_i + \delta$
 $= \dots$
 $= 0, t > t_i + 2\delta + \Delta$

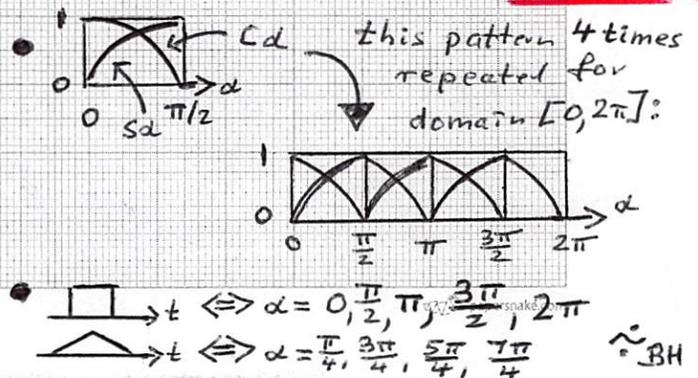
$\Rightarrow f_i(t) =$ function with constant & linear segments

$\Rightarrow \langle f_i(t), f_j(t) \rangle = \dots$ **ANALYTIC DEFINITION!**

- Full rotation, i.e., $\alpha \in [0, 2\pi]$:

α^*	δ	Δ
$0 \dots \frac{\pi}{4}$	$s\alpha$	$c\alpha - s\alpha$
$\frac{\pi}{4} \dots \frac{\pi}{2}$	$c\alpha$	$s\alpha - c\alpha$
$\frac{\pi}{2} \dots \frac{3\pi}{4}$	$s(\alpha - \frac{\pi}{2})$	$c(\alpha - \frac{\pi}{2}) - s(\alpha - \frac{\pi}{2})$
$\frac{3\pi}{4} \dots \pi$	$c(\alpha - \frac{\pi}{2})$	$s(\alpha - \frac{\pi}{2}) - c(\alpha - \frac{\pi}{2})$
$\pi \dots \frac{5\pi}{4}$	$s(\alpha - \pi)$	$c(\alpha - \pi) - s(\alpha - \pi)$
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$\frac{3\pi}{2} \dots \frac{7\pi}{4}$	$s(\alpha - \frac{3\pi}{2})$	$c(\alpha - \frac{3\pi}{2}) - s(\alpha - \frac{3\pi}{2})$
$\frac{7\pi}{4} \dots 2\pi$	$c(\alpha - \frac{3\pi}{2})$	$s(\alpha - \frac{3\pi}{2}) - c(\alpha - \frac{3\pi}{2})$

* Only consider $0 \leq \alpha \leq \pi$ practically.



- $\square \rightarrow t \Leftrightarrow \alpha = 0, \frac{\pi}{2}, \pi, \frac{3\pi}{2}, 2\pi$
- $\triangle \rightarrow t \Leftrightarrow \alpha = \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4}$

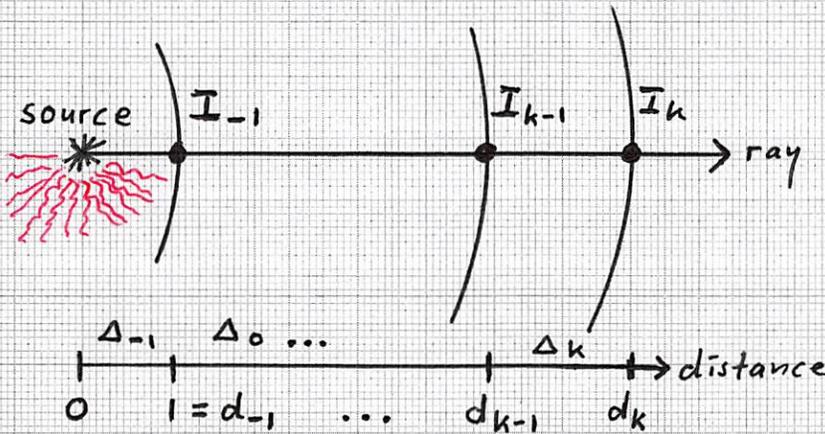
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■ POINT LIGHT SOURCE CT DATA AND RECONSTRUCTION

- Combining Inverse Distance Law and Absorption

I) Inverse Distance Law

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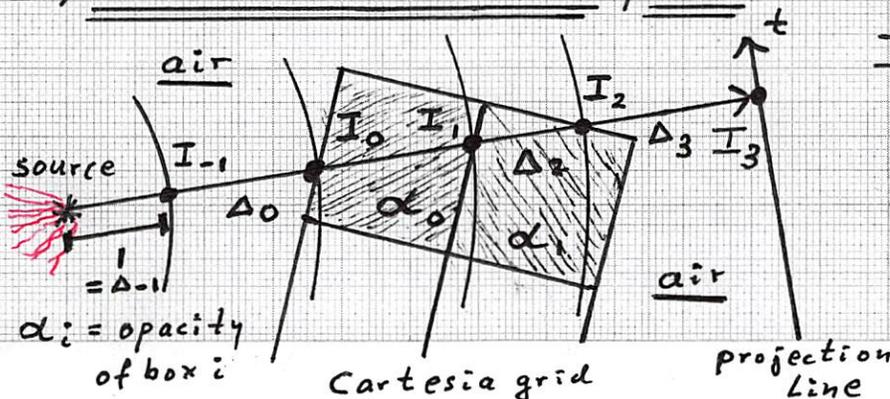
I_{-1} = intensity at distance 1
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 etc.

$$\Rightarrow I_{k-1} = \left(\frac{1}{d_{k-1}}\right)^p I_{-1} \leadsto I_{-1} = (d_{k-1})^p I_{k-1} \quad (*)$$

$$I_k = \frac{1}{(d_k)^p} I_{-1} \stackrel{(*)}{=} \left(\frac{d_{k-1}}{d_k}\right)^p I_{-1}$$

$$p = \begin{cases} 1 & \rightarrow 2D \text{ case} \\ 2 & \rightarrow 3D \text{ case} \end{cases}$$

II) Distance Law and Absorption



Here:

$$I_0 = \left(\frac{d_{-1}}{d_0}\right)^p I_{-1}$$

$$I_1 = \left(\frac{d_0}{d_1}\right)^p I_0 \cdot e^{-\Delta_0 \alpha_0}$$

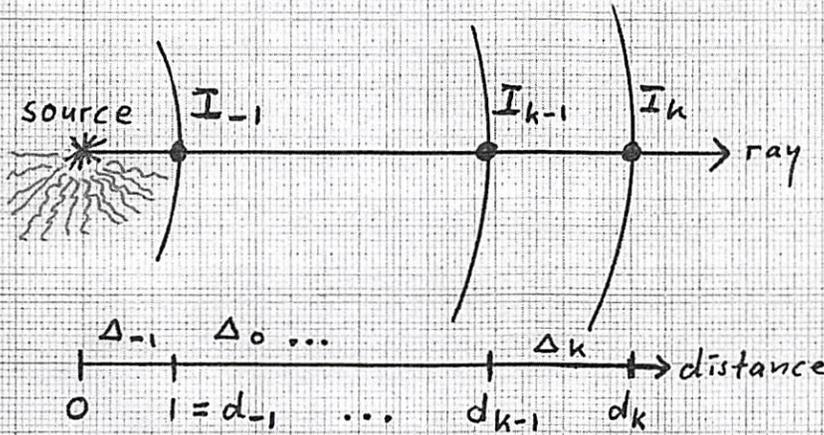
$$= \left(\frac{d_{-1}}{d_1}\right)^p I_{-1} e^{-\Delta_0 \alpha_0}$$

POINT LIGHT SOURCE CT DATA AND RECONSTRUCTION

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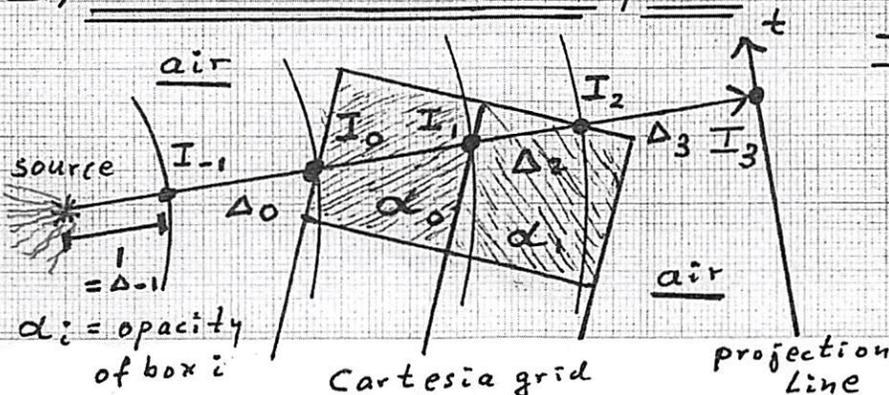
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α_i = opacity of box i

Cartesia grid

projection line

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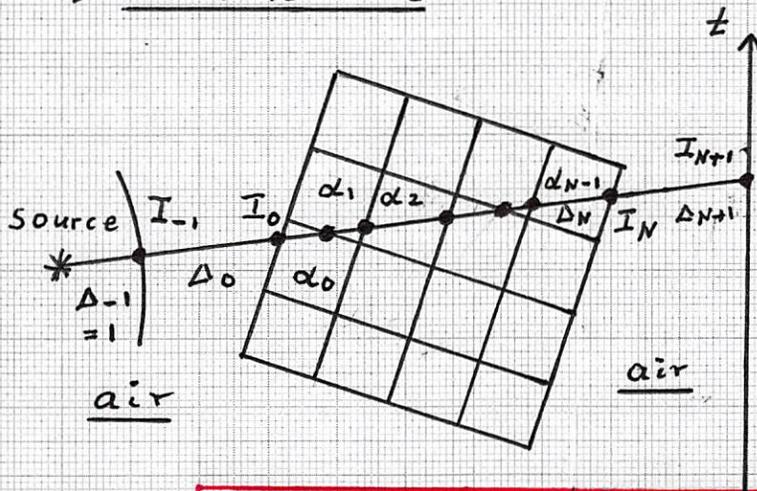
... Absorption:

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2 &= \left(\frac{d_1}{d_2}\right)^p I_1 e^{-\Delta_1 \alpha_1} \\
 &= \left(\frac{d_{-1}}{d_2}\right)^p I_{-1} e^{-(\Delta_0 \alpha_0 + \Delta_1 \alpha_1)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{(d_2)^p} I_{-1} e^{-(\Delta_0 \alpha_0 + \Delta_1 \alpha_1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_3 &= \left(\frac{d_2}{d_3}\right)^p I_2 \\
 &= \left(\frac{d_{-1}}{d_3}\right)^p I_{-1} e^{-(\Delta_0 \alpha_0 + \Delta_1 \alpha_1)} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

⇒ LAW: $\Delta_0 \alpha_0 + \Delta_1 \alpha_1 = -\ln \left(d_3^p \frac{I_3}{I_{-1}} \right)$

⇒ General case:



* Equation defines Linear system for unknown values α_i (opacities).

$$\sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \Delta_i \alpha_i = -\ln \left(d_{N+1}^p \frac{I_{N+1}}{I_{-1}} \right)$$

p=1: 2D
p=2: 3D

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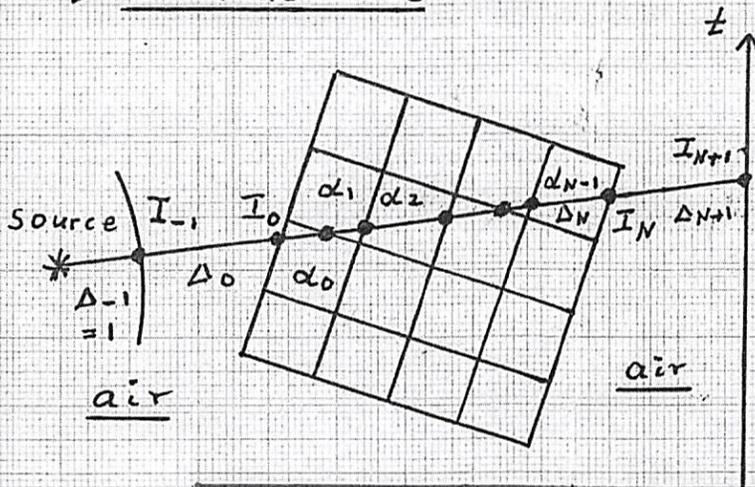
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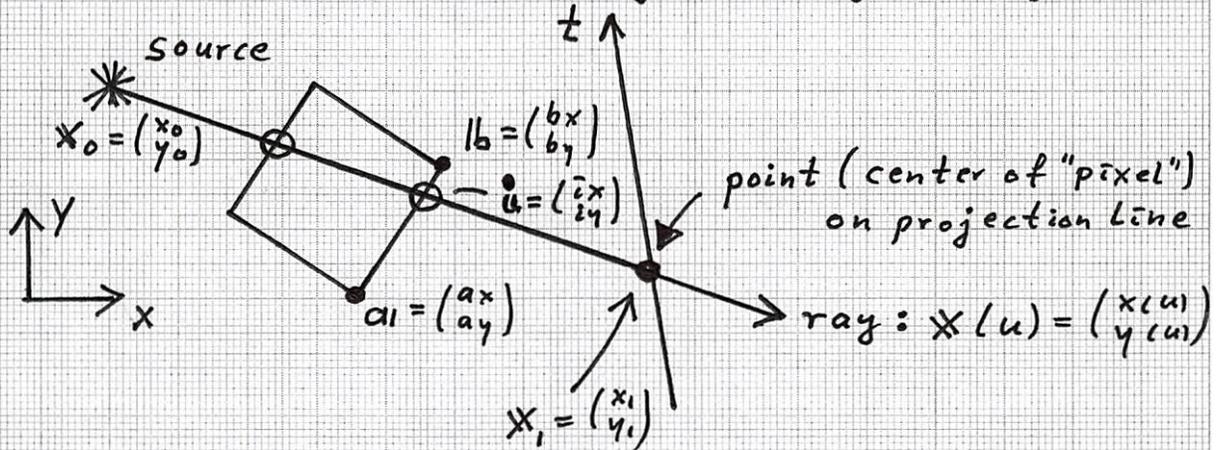
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• Necessary computation (2D case):

Intersections of ray and edges of grid!



i) Parametric ray equation:

$$\textcircled{i} \quad \underline{X(u)} = X_0 + u \underbrace{(X_i - X_0)}_{= d = \begin{pmatrix} dx \\ dy \end{pmatrix}} = \begin{pmatrix} x_0 \\ y_0 \end{pmatrix} + u \begin{pmatrix} dx \\ dy \end{pmatrix}$$

ii) Implicit edge equation:

- edge direction vector: $e = b - a = \begin{pmatrix} e_x \\ e_y \end{pmatrix}$
- line implied by edge defined implicitly:
- Implicit line representation:

$$\textcircled{ii} \quad Ax + By + C = 0, \quad \text{where } \underline{A = -e_y}, \quad \underline{B = e_x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hookrightarrow \underline{C} &= -Ax - By && | \text{select } \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{pmatrix} \\ &= -Aa_x - Ba_y \\ &= \underline{a_x e_y - a_y e_x} \end{aligned}$$

iii) Intersection: Insert \textcircled{i} into \textcircled{ii} :

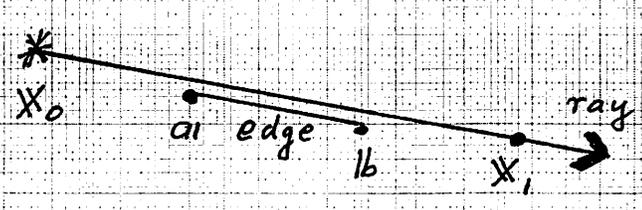
- $A dx + B dy \neq 0$
- \bar{u} inside $a_i b_i$
- $\Leftrightarrow 0 \leq \bar{u} \leq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} A(x_0 + \bar{u} dx) + B(y_0 + \bar{u} dy) &= -C \\ \hookrightarrow \underline{\bar{u}} &= -\frac{Ax_0 + By_0 + C}{A dx + B dy} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\bar{u} = X_0 + \bar{u} d}} \end{aligned}$$

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... iii) Intersection - Special case:



$Ax + By = 0$

\Rightarrow ray and edge are parallel!

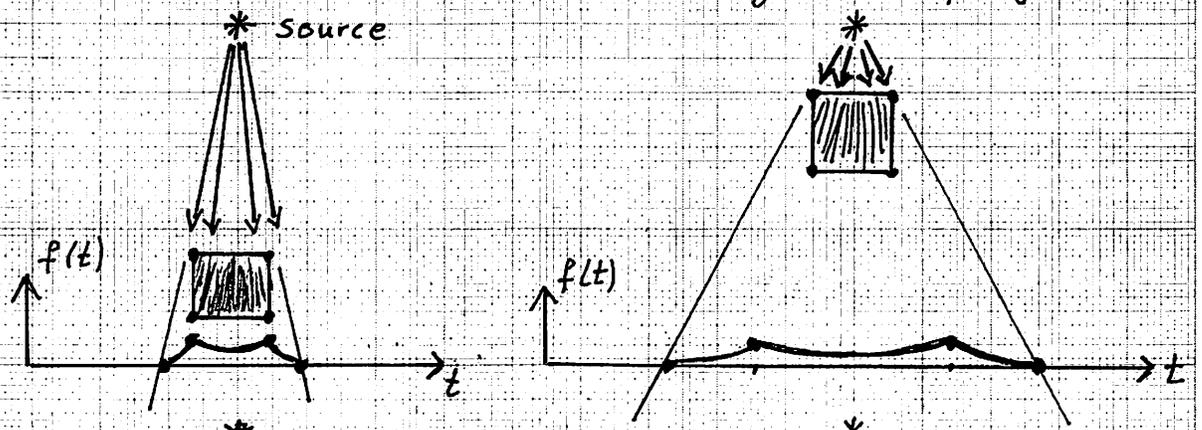
• 2 sub-cases:

$\rightarrow Ax_0 + By_0 + C \neq 0 \Rightarrow$ no intersection!

$\rightarrow Ax_0 + By_0 + C = 0 \Rightarrow$ edge lies on ray

\Rightarrow Select the point from $\{a, b\}$ that is closer to X_0 as intersection point!

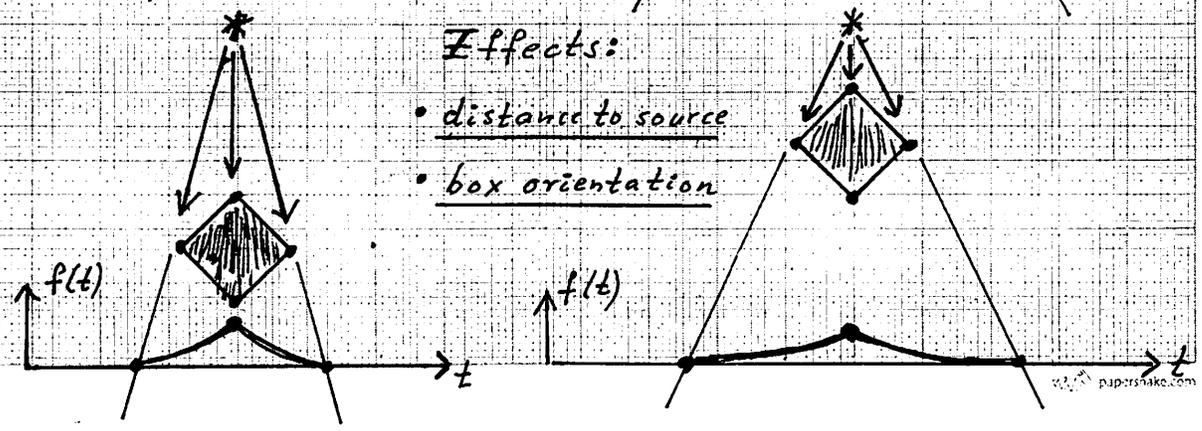
• "Qualitative nature of single box projections:



Effects:

• distance to source

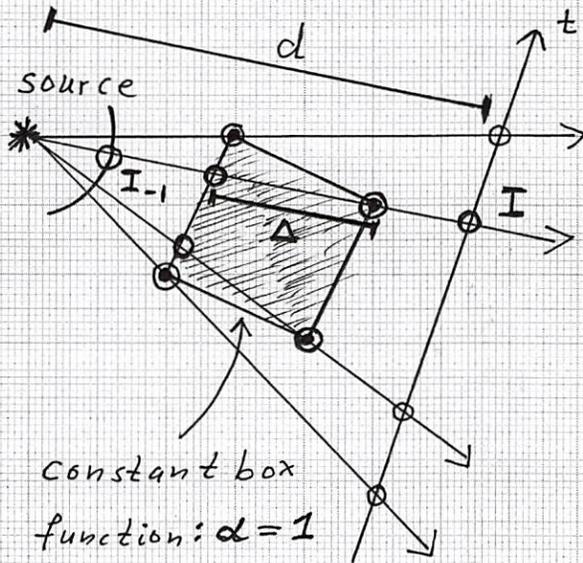
• box orientation



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- Projection of single box (function):



Inverse distance law
and absorption:

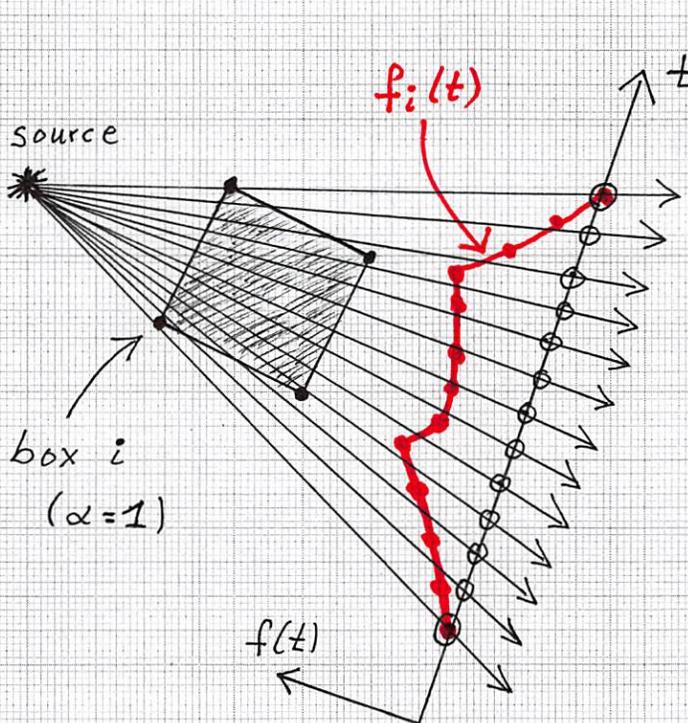
$$I = \frac{1}{d^p} I_1 e^{-\Delta}$$

$$p = 1 \Rightarrow 2D$$

$$p = 2 \Rightarrow 3D$$

⇒ Use formula to compute
projection functions of
all box basis functions!

- Approximating projection of box function via sampling:



here:

- sample locations on projection line
- projection values I at locations
- $f_i(t)$ = approximation of projection function
- $f_i(t)$ represented as piecewise constant or piecewise linear function

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- Best approximation approach:

$f(t)$ given, measured CT scan data on projection line t

$F(x, y)$ unknown (opacity) function ("density function") in 2D plane

$B_i(x, y)$ constant box basis function, $i = 1, \dots, N$ (opacity = 1)

$f_i(t)$ computed, approximated projected box basis function

P "projection operator"

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \underline{f(t)} &= P(F(x, y)) = P\left(\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i B_i(x, y)\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i P(B_i(x, y)) \\ &= \underline{\sum_{i=1}^N \alpha_i f_i(t)} \end{aligned}$$

← unknown

⇒ Determine best-possible values for α_i via best approximation approach - CONSIDERING THAT BOTH $f(t)$ AND $f_i(t)$ ARE REPRESENTED IN DISCRETE, SAMPLED FORM:

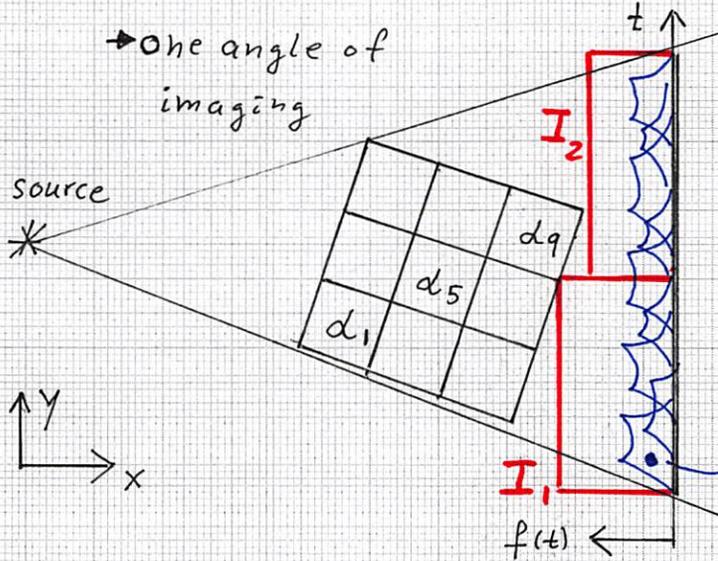
- solution defined on high level:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle f_1, f_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle f_1, f_N \rangle \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \langle f_N, f_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle f_N, f_N \rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle f, f_1 \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle f, f_N \rangle \end{pmatrix}$$

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- Practical issues: sampling and resolution



$N = 9$ grid resolution
 $R = 2$ resolution of projection line
 $A = 5$ A angles used for imaging

Very HIGH-RESOLUTION representation of $\{f_i(t)\}$

\Rightarrow PRE-COMPUTED AND STORED for all A angles!

call the imaging angles $\beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4, \beta_5$

\Rightarrow LINEAR EQUATION SYSTEM - BEST APPROXIMATION:

$$\begin{matrix}
 q \cdot 5 \\
 = 45 \\
 \text{rows}
 \end{matrix}
 \left\{ \begin{matrix}
 \beta_1 \left\{ \begin{matrix} \langle f_1, f_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle f_1, f_q \rangle \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \langle f_q, f_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle f_q, f_q \rangle \end{matrix} \right. \\
 \vdots \\
 \beta_5 \left\{ \begin{matrix} \langle f_1, f_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle f_1, f_q \rangle \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \langle f_q, f_1 \rangle & \dots & \langle f_q, f_q \rangle \end{matrix} \right.
 \end{matrix} \right.
 \begin{matrix}
 d_1 \\
 \vdots \\
 d_q
 \end{matrix}
 =
 \begin{matrix}
 \langle f, f_1 \rangle \\
 \vdots \\
 \langle f, f_q \rangle \\
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 \langle f, f_q \rangle
 \end{matrix}$$

Recorded values (= piecewise const. fct.), I_1 and I_2

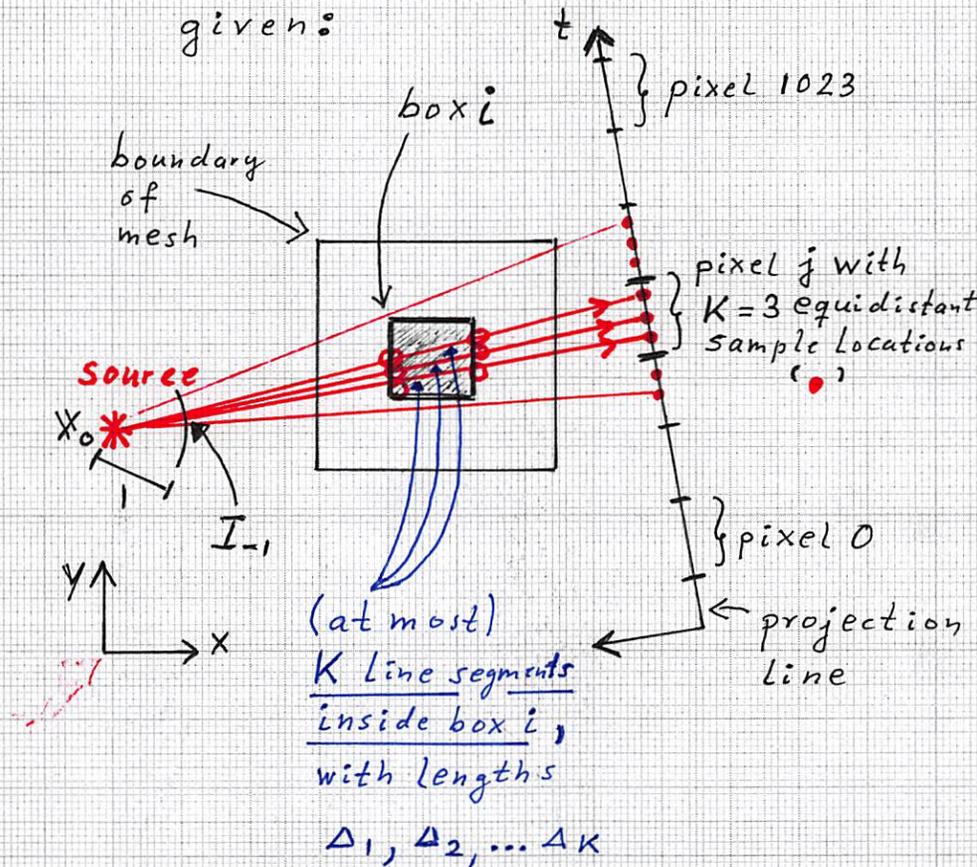
$\Rightarrow M \alpha = F$ $\xrightarrow{\text{Least squares}}$ $\alpha = (M^T M)^{-1} M^T F \approx \underline{\underline{\beta_H}}$

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■ POINT LIGHT SOURCE - Cont'd.

- Computing - PRE-COMPUTING - projections of all unit box functions:

- The exact analytical determination and representation for perspective unit box functions is difficult and expensive!
- Compute the needed unit box function projections by sampling into the grid for which the measured projection data are given:



• Example:

- image resolution = 1024
- $K=3$ = "per-pixel sampling resolution"
- compute $K=3$ intensity values for each pixel j in which box i projects:

$$I_1 = \frac{1}{d_1} I_{-1} e^{-\Delta_1}, \dots, I_3 = \frac{1}{d_3} I_{-1} e^{-\Delta_3}$$

where d_1, d_2, d_3 = distances between x_0 and sample locations

$$\Rightarrow I(i, j) = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K I_k = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^3 I_k$$

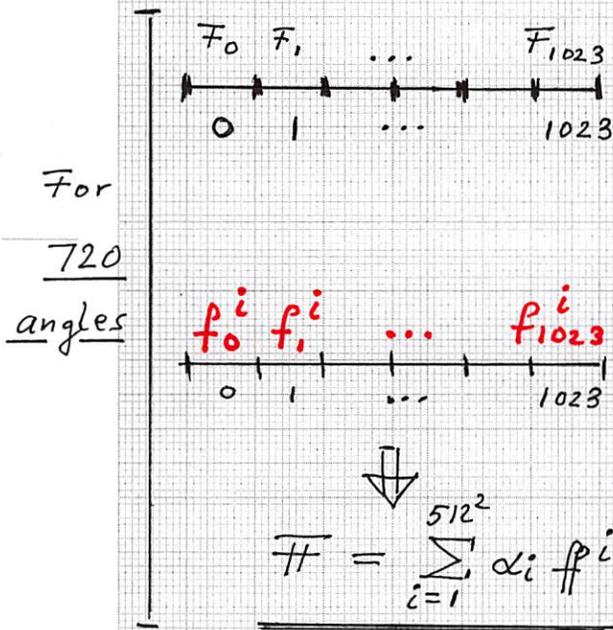
= intensity of unit box function b_i projected into pixel j .

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→ The linear system to be solved:

- Example:
- 720 imaging angles,
1024 pixel values recorded per angle
⇒ $720 \times 1024 = 737280$ (data)
 - 2D image of resolution
 $512 \times 512 = 262144$ (boxes)



⇒ measured, given intensity

values: F_0, \dots, F_{1023}

⇒ vector $\underline{F} = \begin{pmatrix} F_0 \\ \vdots \\ F_{1023} \end{pmatrix}$

⇒ pre-computed and known intensity values for box i , projected into 1024 intervals

⇒ vector $\underline{f}^i = \begin{pmatrix} f_0^i \\ \vdots \\ f_{1023}^i \end{pmatrix}$

• Resulting system:

$$\begin{matrix} \text{angle 1} \\ \vdots \\ \text{angle 720} \end{matrix} \left\{ \begin{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} f_0^1 & \dots & f_0^{512^2} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ f_{1023}^1 & \dots & f_{1023}^{512^2} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ f_0^1 & \dots & f_0^{512^2} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ f_{1023}^1 & \dots & f_{1023}^{512^2} \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{512^2} \end{bmatrix} \\ = \\ \begin{bmatrix} F_0 \\ \vdots \\ F_{1023} \\ \vdots \\ F_0 \\ \vdots \\ F_{1023} \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \right. \begin{matrix} \text{angle 1} \\ \vdots \\ \text{angle 720} \end{matrix}$$

$M \cdot \underline{\alpha} = \underline{F}$

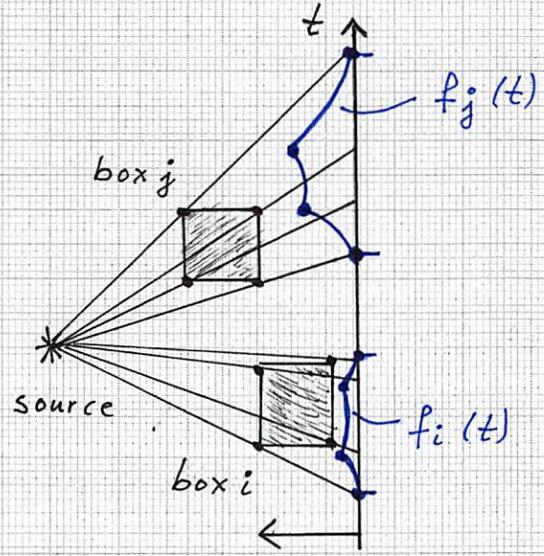
⇒ solve over-determined system:

$$\boxed{M^T M \underline{\alpha} = M^T \underline{F}}$$

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→ Reconstruction with analytical representations of projections of unit box functions:



• assumption: projections of unit box functions known analytically ⇒ BEST APPROXIMATION of the given "1024 values" (= piecewise constant function F):

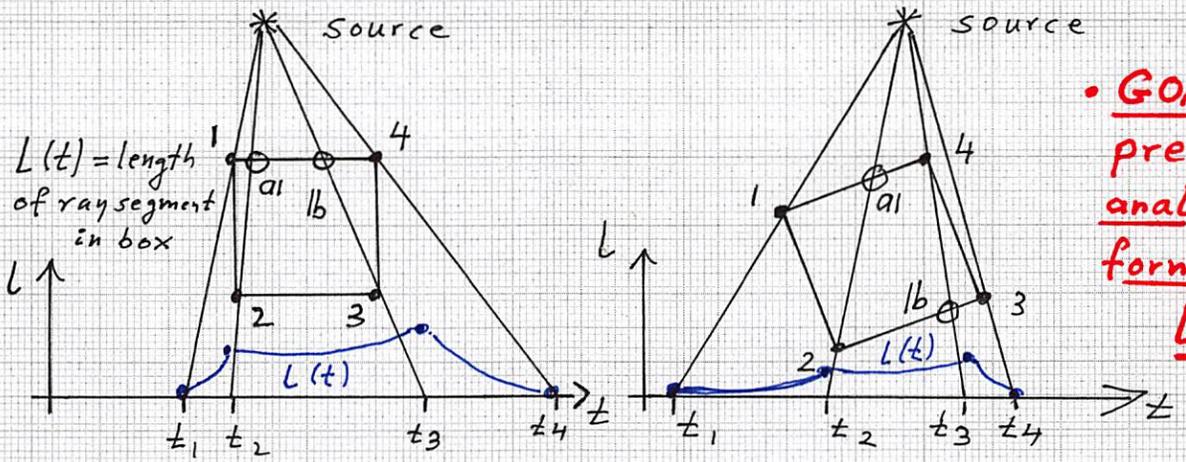
$$F(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{512^2} \alpha_i f_i(t)$$

obtained by solving

Considering all data f_{i_1} ⇒ all projection angles!

$$\begin{pmatrix} \langle F, f_{i_1} \rangle \\ \vdots \\ \langle F, f_{i_{512^2}} \rangle \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \langle f_{i_1}, f_{i_1} \rangle & \dots & \langle f_{i_1}, f_{i_{512^2}} \rangle \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \langle f_{i_{512^2}}, f_{i_1} \rangle & \dots & \langle f_{i_{512^2}}, f_{i_{512^2}} \rangle \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_{512^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

→ Qualitative nature of box projections:



• GOAL: precise analytical form of $L(t)$!

⇒ (Except in degenerate cases,) ray segment pass through two triangles and one quadrilateral: either 12a₁, a₁23b₁, b₁34 or 12a₁, a₁2b₄, 4b₃.