

Advanced Information Engineering

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Image Signals

- Image information, in many cases, is transformed to [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] and is treated as image signals.

Generation of Image Signals

- Light is reflected on subjects.
- Reflected light is [REDACTED].
- Image signals are recorded on [REDACTED], or transformed to electrical signals by [REDACTED].

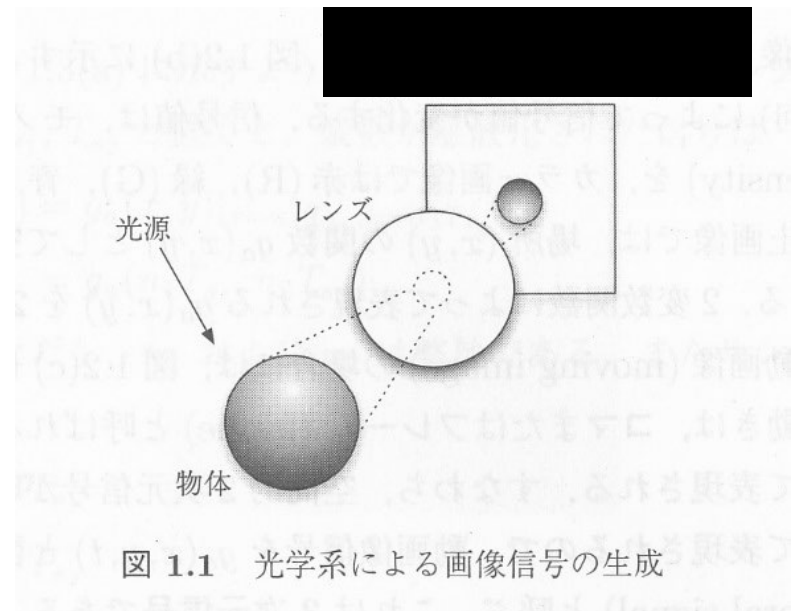
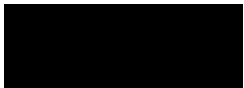
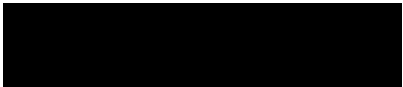


図 1.1 光学系による画像信号の生成

Dimension of Signals

- Signals, whose typical example is , is a function of time $g_a(t)$ of one dimensional signal.
-  is two dimensional signals and has various values at spacial position (x,y) .

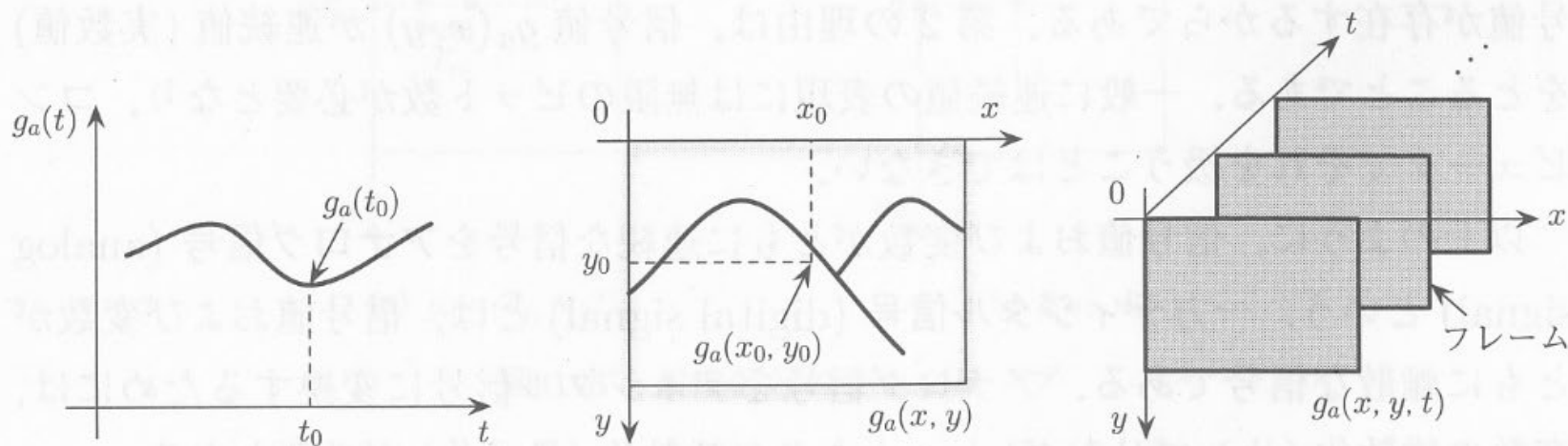


図 1.2 信号の次元

Digital Image

- Images taken by a digital camera are digital images and they are recorded as digital signals.
- Image processing processes digital signals by computers.

Analog Image Signals

- Intensities of [REDACTED] are analog signals and are given by two dimensional signal $g_a(x,y)$.
- Variables x and y are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] which is a discrete space point is not defined.
- Signal values $g_a(x,y)$ are [REDACTED] and are not handled by computers because continuous values need infinite number of bits.


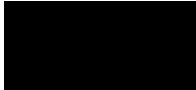
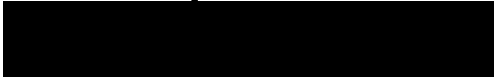
Digital Image Signals

- Image signals whose signals themselves $g(x,y)$ and variables x, y are discrete.
- In order to convert analog signals to digital signals, it is necessary to discretize variables [REDACTED] and signals [REDACTED].

Sampling

- Process to discretize variables x and y .
- Let T_{s1}, T_{s2} be sampling intervals in x and y directions, respectively. The signal is given by

$$\begin{aligned}g(n_1, n_2) &= g_a(x, y) \Big|_{x=n_1 T_{s1}, y=n_2 T_{s2}} \\ &= g_a(n_1 T_{s1}, n_2 T_{s2})\end{aligned}$$

- n_1, n_2 are integers and reciprocals of sampling intervals T_{s1}, T_{s2} are horizontal and vertical .
- A sample point in space is a  and its signal value is .

Sampling

- It is commonly used because of simpleness of output devices and processing.
- The top-left corner is the image origin $(0,0)$ and n_1 and n_2 are variables in the horizontal and vertical directions.

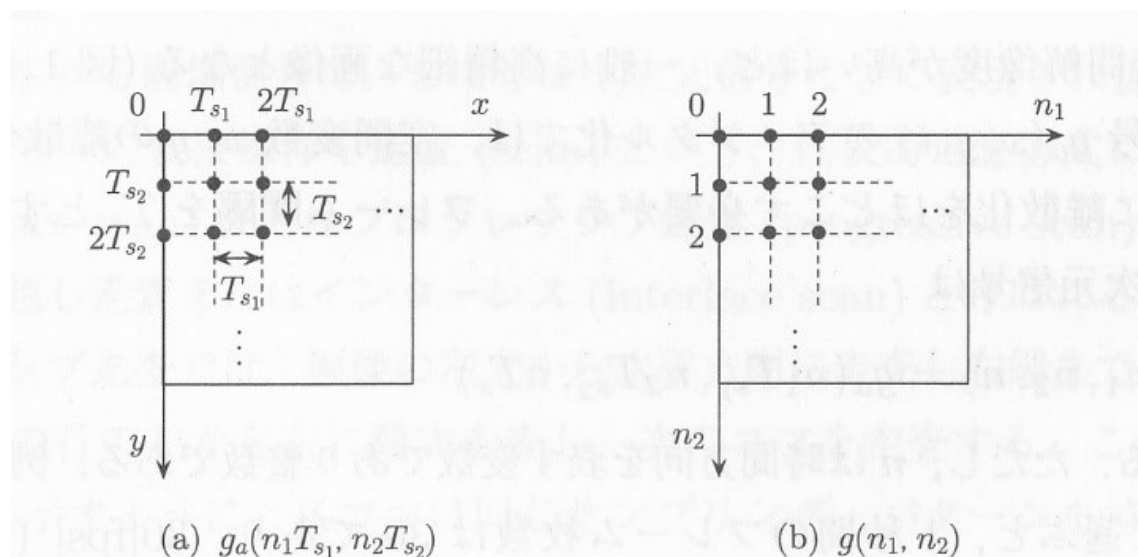


図 1.3 画像信号のサンプリング

Resolution of Image

- For a digital image, let N_1 , and N_2 be pixel numbers in the horizontal and vertical axes. Its space resolution is given by $N_1 \times N_2$.
- Higher space resolution, higher-definition
- VGA, HD, 4K ?



Digitization of Video Image Signal $g_a(x,y,t)$

- Discretize time variable t by frame interval T_s .

$$g(n_1, n_2, n) = g_a(n_1 T_{s_1}, n_2 T_{s_2}, n T_s)$$

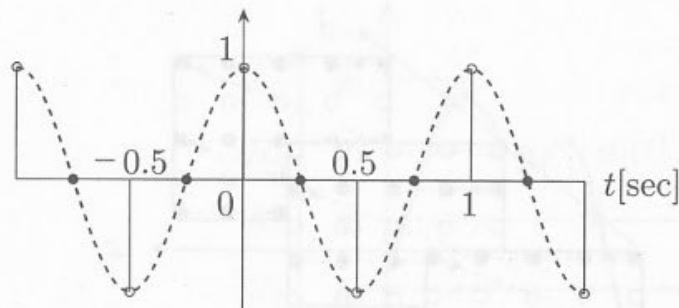
- n is a variable for time elapse and is an integer.
- For example if $T_s = 1/30[\text{sec}]$, ████████████████████, which corresponds to time resolution is 30fps.
- F_s , the reciprocal of T_s F_s is called time sampling frequency.

Sample Exercise

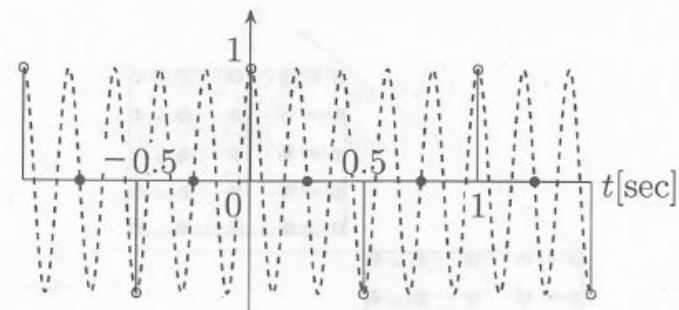
- Let's think about two one-dimensional time signals of frequency $F=1$ [Hz] and $F'=5$ [Hz], $g_a(t)=\cos(\blacksquare t)$ and $g_b(t)=\cos(\blacksquare t)$. Please illustrate discrete signals obtained by sampling these signals with sampling interval $T_s=1/F_s=1/4$ [sec] .

Answers

- Their sampled values are the same.
- Sampling time $t=nT_s$, and
$$g(n)=\cos(\pi n/2)=\cos(2\pi + \pi n/2)=g'(n)$$
- Generally when $F'=F+kF_s$ (k is an integer), both of the sampled values become identical.



(a) $F=1[\text{Hz}]$

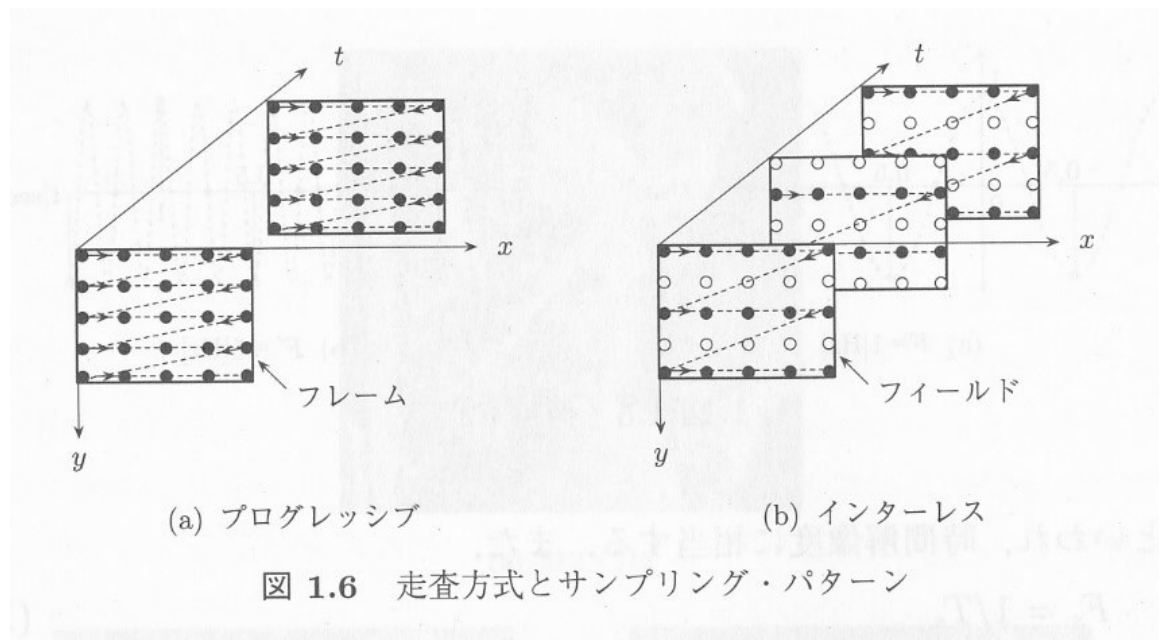


(b) $F'=5[\text{Hz}]$

图 1.5 例题 1.2

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- Process to transform multi-dimensional signals to one dimensional signals.



- TV broadcasting uses [redacted] and movie files do [redacted].
- Prioritize time resolution or space resolution?

Digital Image Signal (review)

- Image signal $g(x, y)$ and variables x, y are discrete.
- To convert analogue signal to digital signal, discretization of variables () and that of image signal () are necessary.

量子化()

- Because analog signals are real numbers and infinite, for quantization, for example with 8 bits it must be replaced with values $L=2^8=256$.
- Quantization means that values of some number are replaced with other values of smaller number.

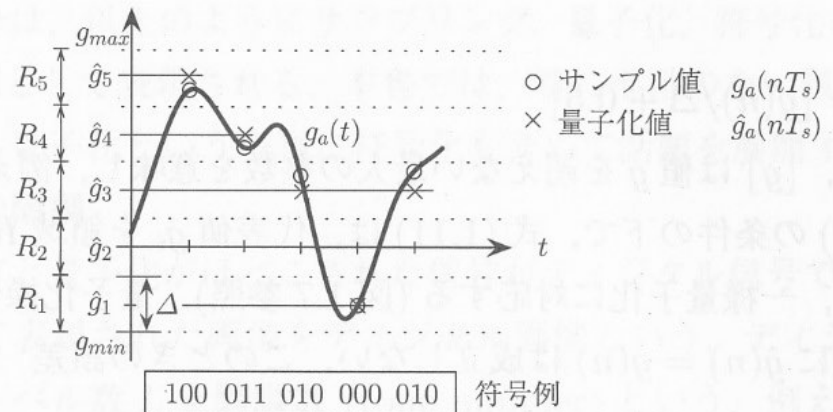


図 1.7 信号の量子化 ($L = 5$)

量子化(quantization)

- L is called quantization level or quantization step number.
- The difference between maximum and minimum values $g_{\max} - g_{\min}$ is called

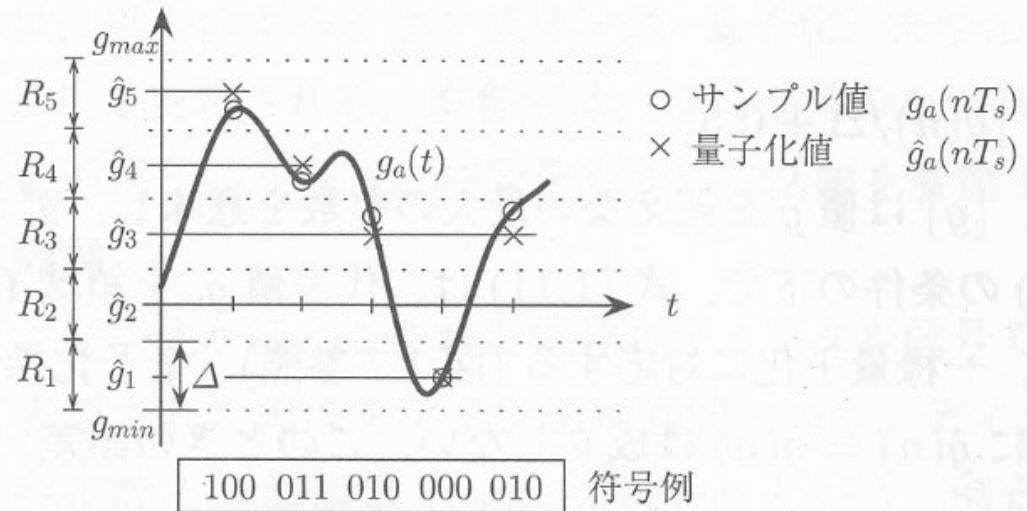
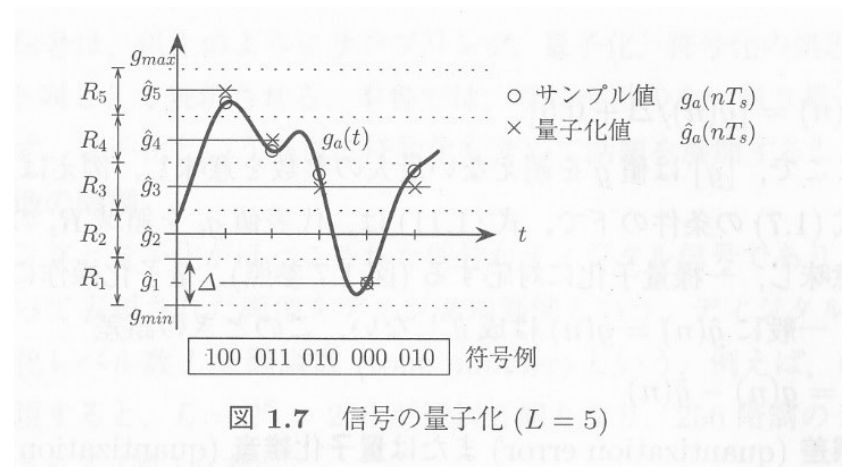


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量子化(quantization)

- By quantization step number L and dynamic range $g_{\max} - g_{\min}$, quantization step $\Delta = (g_{\max} - g_{\min}) / L$
If Δ dose not depend on the index, it is called uniform quantization.
- In case where a sample number is a neighborhood of a representative value, it is regarded as quantization value.



量子化誤差(quantization error)

- The difference between a sample value and its quantization value is called quantization error or quantization noise.
- The range of quantization error e is given with quantization step Δ by

$$-\Delta/2 \leq e < \Delta/2$$

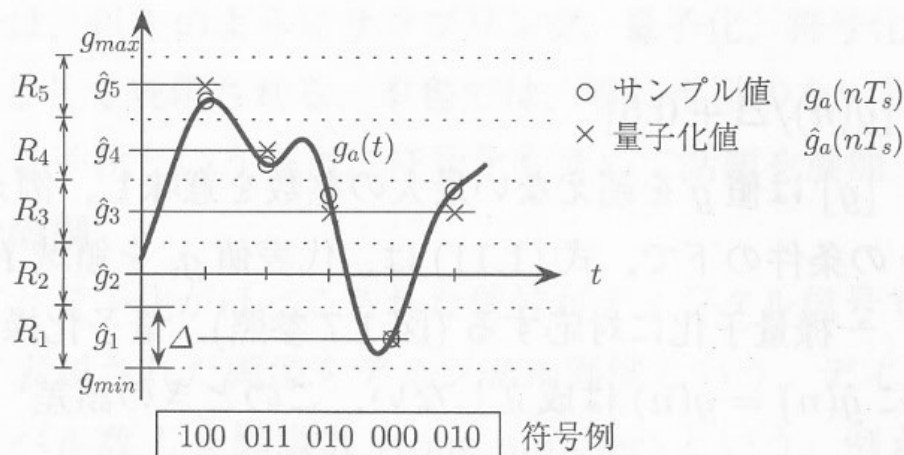


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量子化誤差(quantization error)

- It is possible to make quantization error smaller by [redacted], but [redacted] are needed.

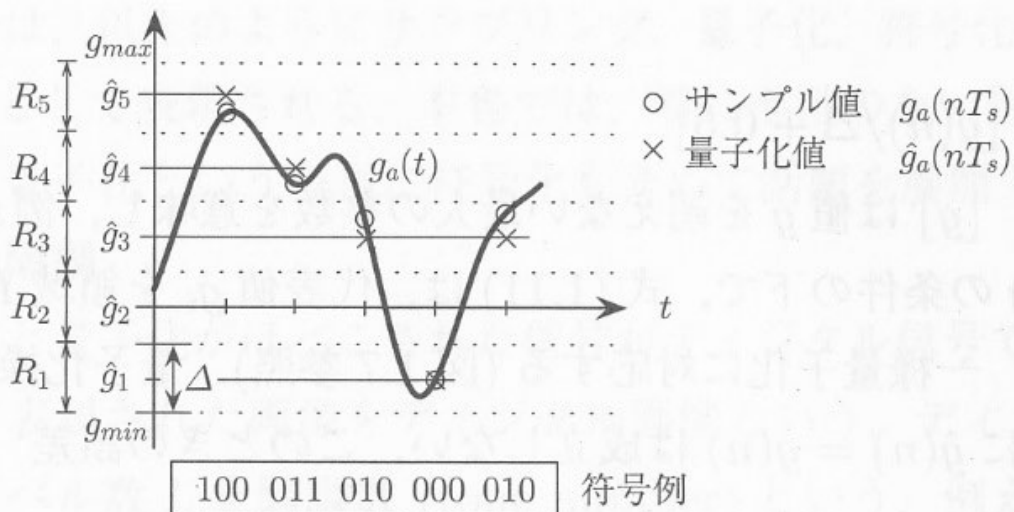


図 1.7 信号の量子化 ($L = 5$)

Encoding

- Process where signal values quantized with quantization level L are assigned to integer index n_i ($i=1,2,\dots,L$) which are one to one correspondent with the signal values.

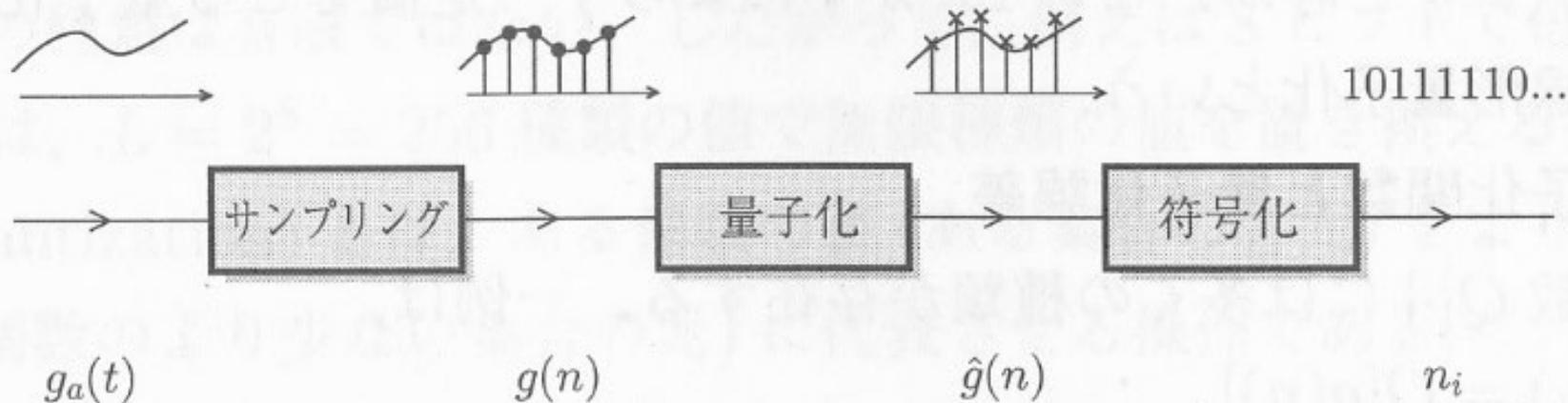
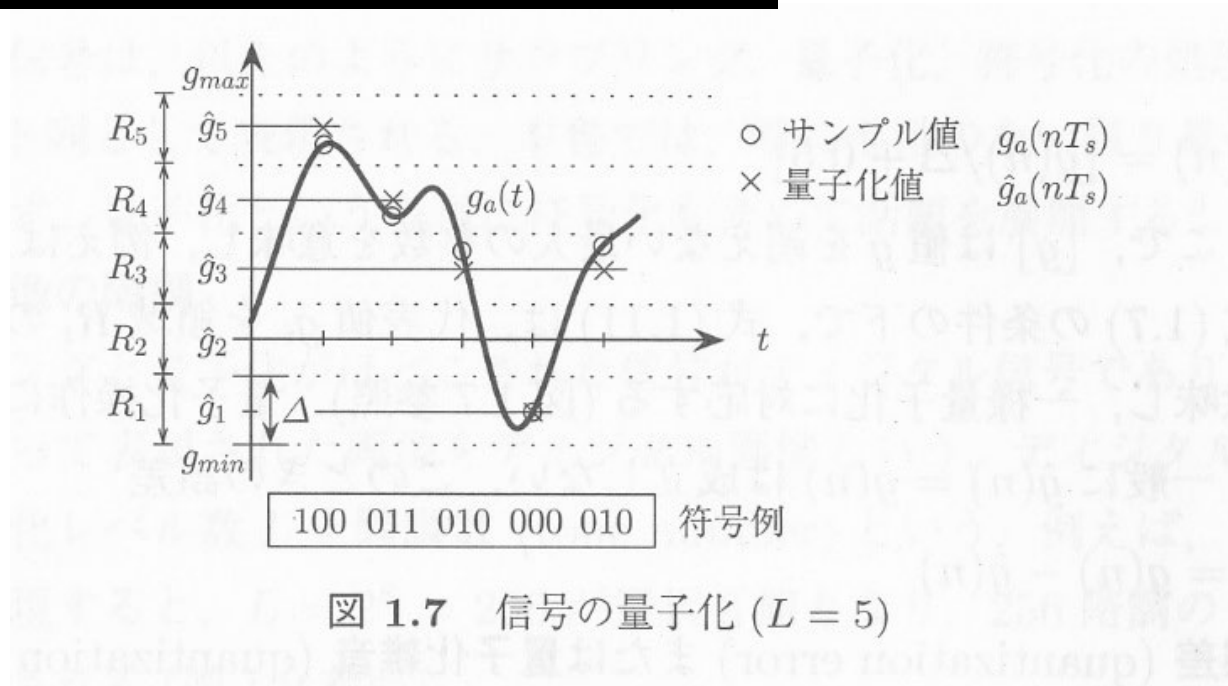


図 1.8 サンプル値の符号化

符号化()

- In case where $L=5$, are used for encoding.
- Encoding with is given as binary numbers by



Digital Image

- The digital signal is an analog signal modified by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and the image represented by a digital signal is called digital image.

Tone of Image

- For the digital image, quantization level number is called tone.
- What is the tone of 16-bit image ?



(a) 2階調(1ビット)



(b) 4階調(2ビット)

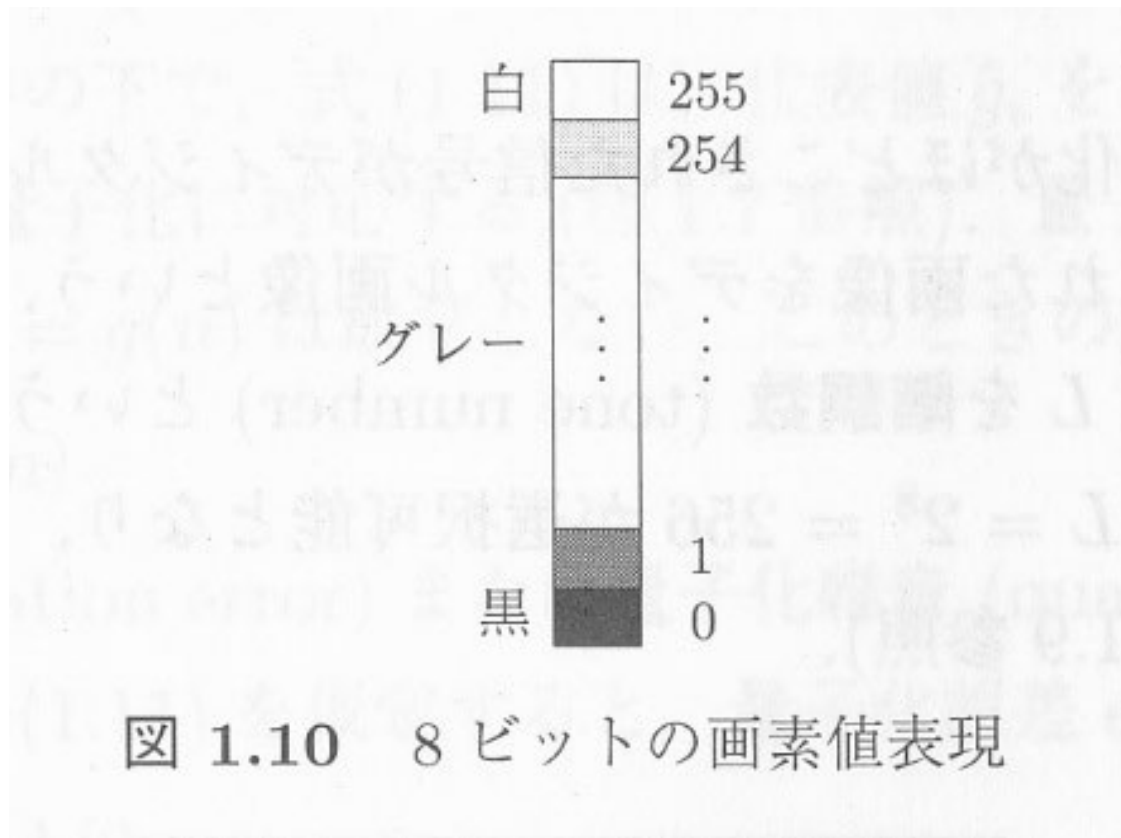


(c) 256階調(8ビット)

図 1.9 階調の異なる画像例

画像の階調 ()

- The pixel value of a digital image is generally a positive integer.



Bit-rate

- Transmission velocity of data transmission
- Its unit is bps.
- The bit-rate B_r is given by

$$B_r = N_1 \times N_2 \times F_s \times I$$

for a gray-scale video with spatial resolution $N_1 \times N_2$, frame-rate F_s , tone $L=2^l$.

- For color video, its bit-rate is 3 times larger.

Exercise # 1

- Assume that we use uniform quantization and a sample value $g(n)=7$. Quantize the value with quantization step $\Delta=5$ and $\Delta=2$, respectively. Note that we are supposed to use rounding (四捨五入). Calculate quantization value and quantization value.

Answer

- When quantization step $\Delta=5$, quantization value = 5, quantization error = 2.
- When quantization step $\Delta=2$, quantization value = 8, quantization error -1.

Exercise #2

- We would like to quantize a signal whose dynamic range $g_{\max} - g_{\min} = 10$ and make quantization error be less than or equal to $\frac{1}{4}$. How many bits are necessary to encode quantization values?

Answer

- The range of quantization error

$$-\Delta/2 \leq e < \Delta/2$$

- Hence quantization step Δ should be $1/2$.
- Then quantization step number $L = 10/(1/2) = 20$.
- Since $L = 20 \leq 2^5$, 5 bits are necessary.

Exercise #3

- Calculate bit-rate B_r for color video with its spacial resolution 1000×1000 , frame-rate 30 fps, 8-bit tone. If necessary, please use K (kilo), M (mega), G (giga).

Answer

- $B_r = 1000 \times 1000 \times 30 \times 8 \times 3 = 720 \text{ [Mbps]}$