

FOURIER DESCRIPTORS

$$U(n) \equiv X(n) + jY(n) \quad n=0,1,\dots, N-1$$

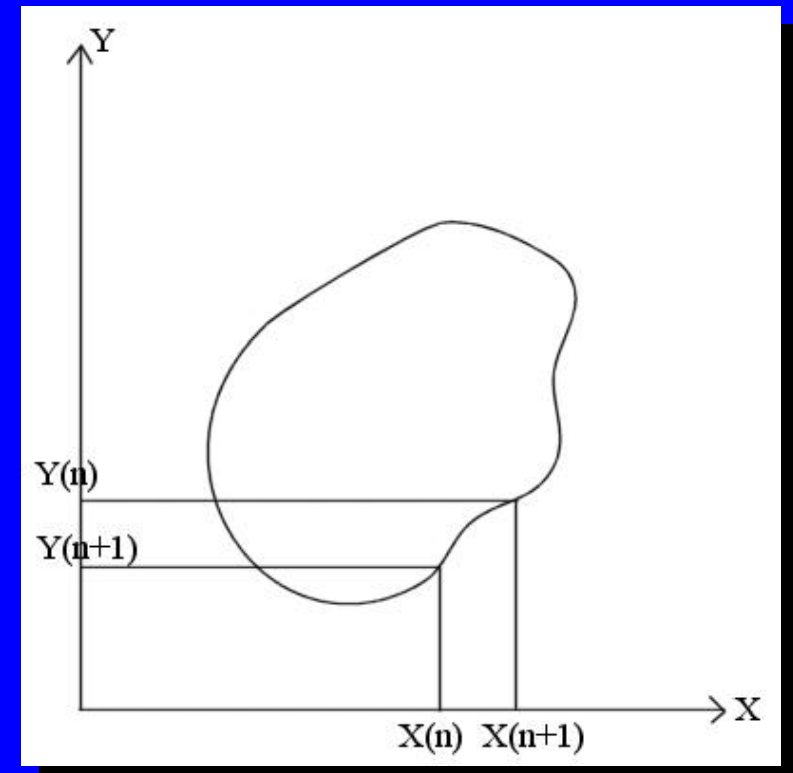
$$\text{DFT: } U(n) \equiv \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} a(k) \exp\left(\frac{j2\pi kn}{N}\right)$$

$$a(k) \equiv \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} U(n) \exp\left(\frac{-j2\pi kn}{N}\right)$$

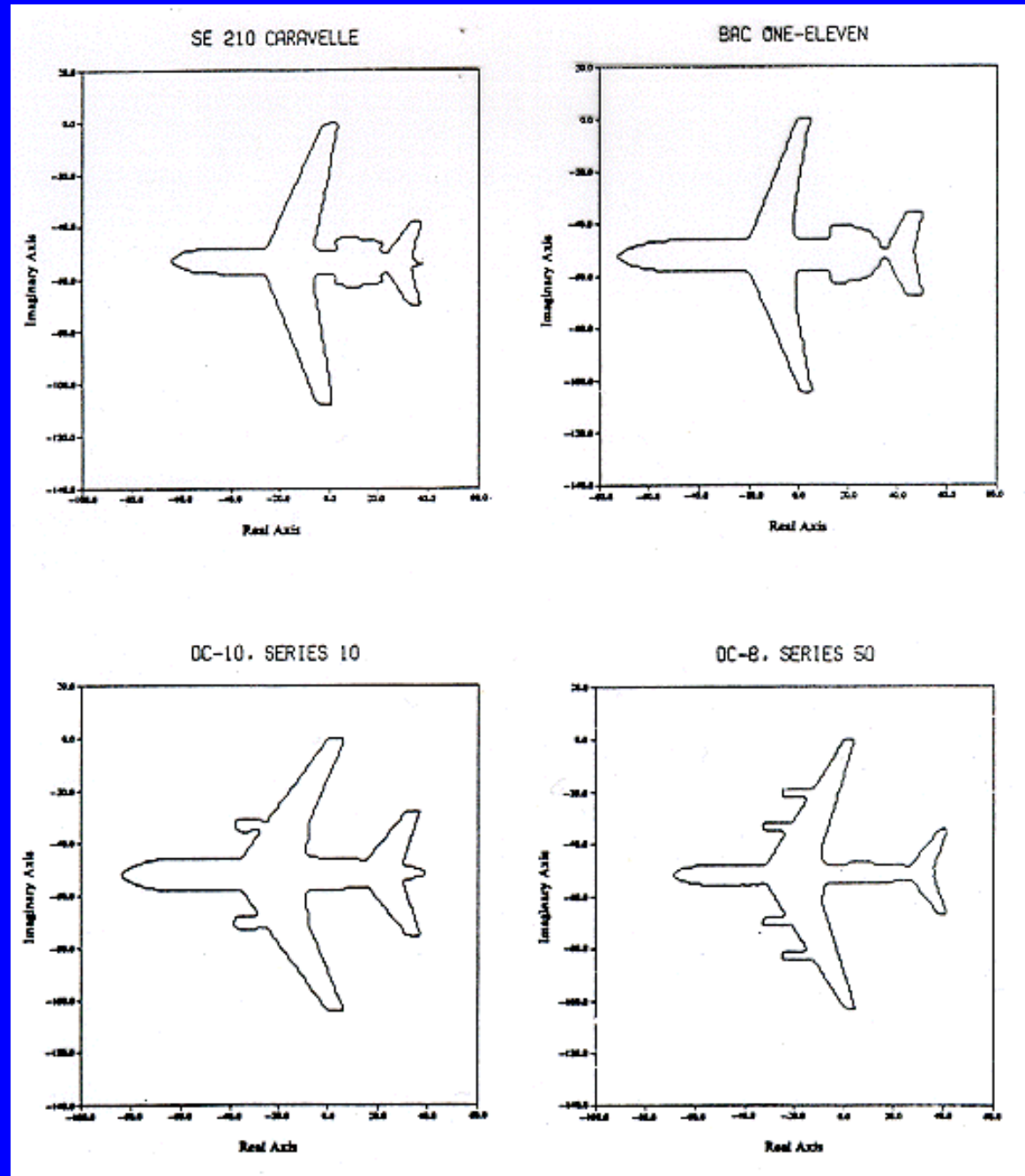
$$R \quad \square \quad \text{Roughness} \equiv \sqrt{\sum_{k=0}^{N-1} |a(k)|^2}$$

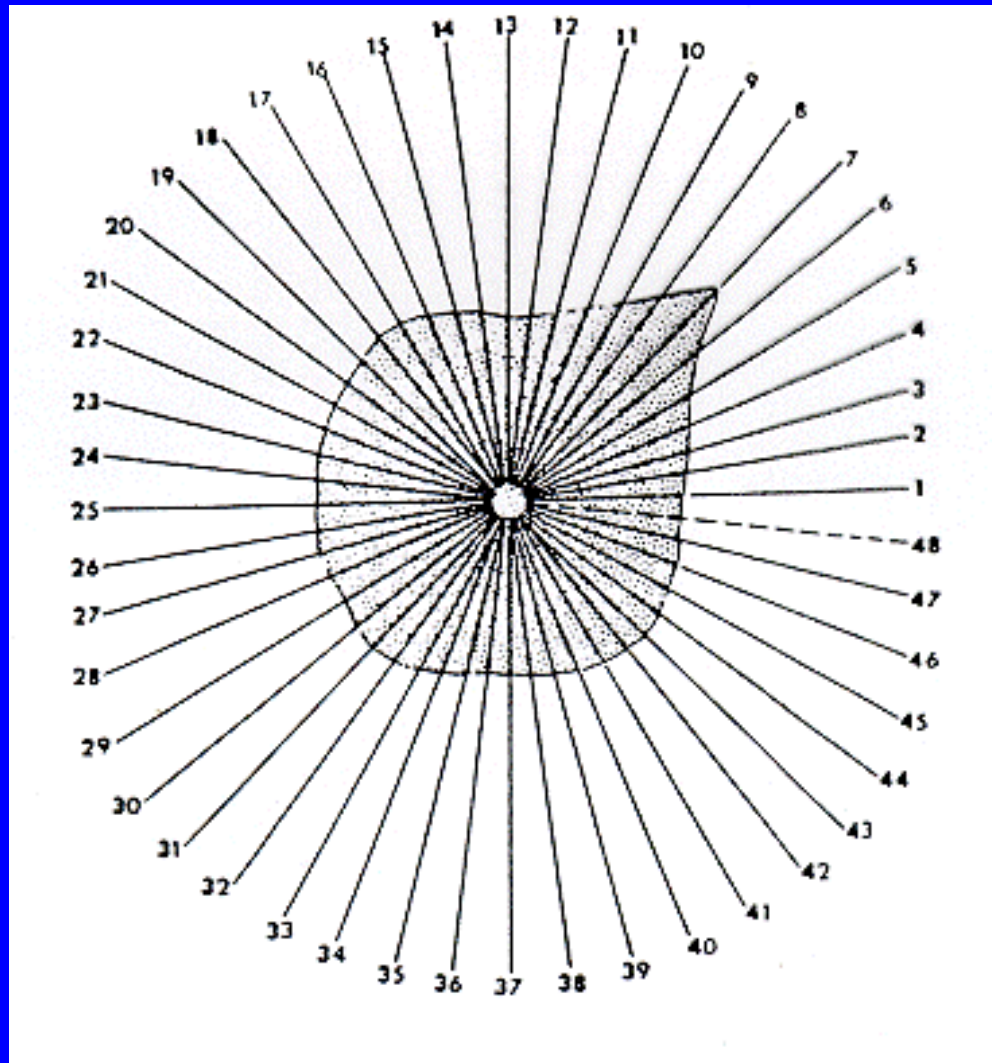
$$R_M \quad \square \quad \text{Modified roughness} \equiv \sqrt{\sum_{k=0}^M |a(k)|^2}$$

(closed boundary $\Rightarrow U(n)$ periodic)



512 coordinates,
32 harmonics:





$$R(\theta) = R_0 + \sum_{n=1}^k R_n \cos(n\theta - \Phi_n)$$

The coefficients R_n are called Fourier descriptors

