

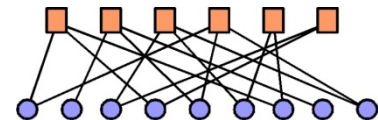
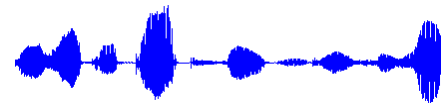
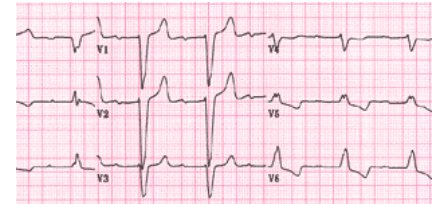
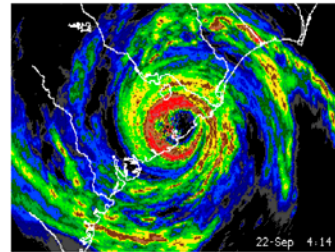
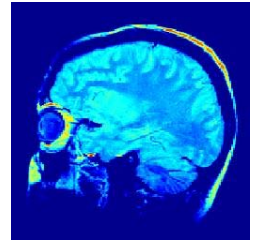
Sensing via Dimensionality Reduction

Structured Sparsity Models

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Sensors



1975 - 0.08MP



1957 - 30fps



1877 - ?



1977 - 5hours



160MP



200,000fps



192,000Hz



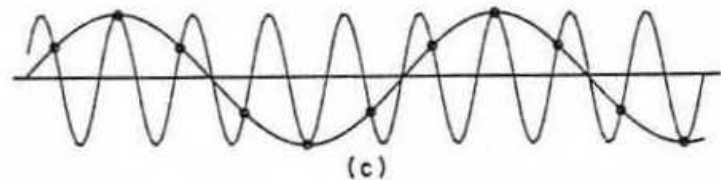
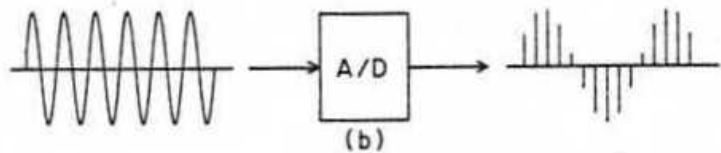
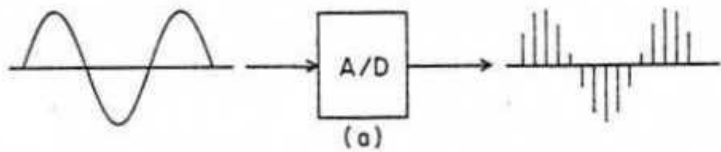
30mins

Digital Data Acquisition

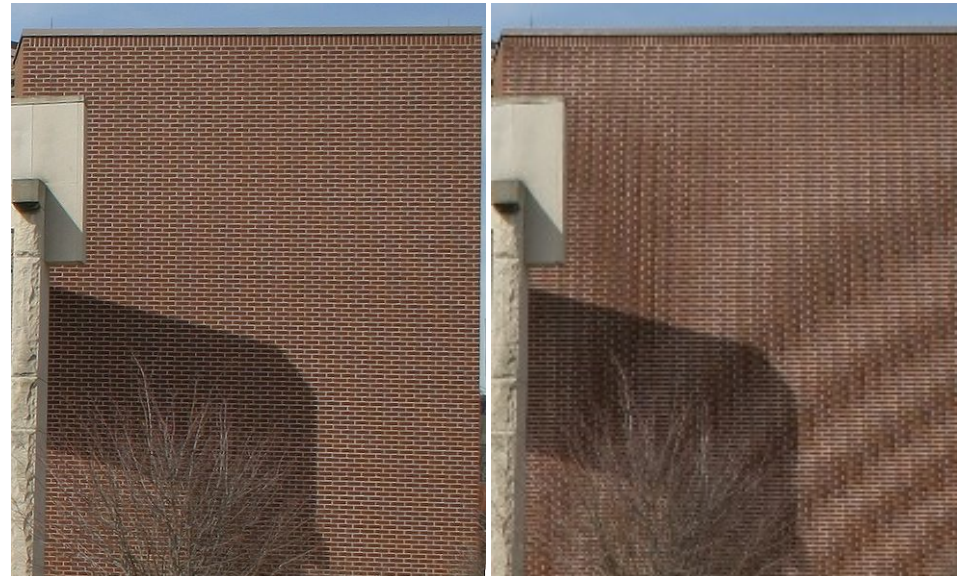
Foundation: *Shannon/Nyquist sampling theorem*



“if you sample densely enough (at the Nyquist rate), you can perfectly reconstruct the original analog data”



time



space

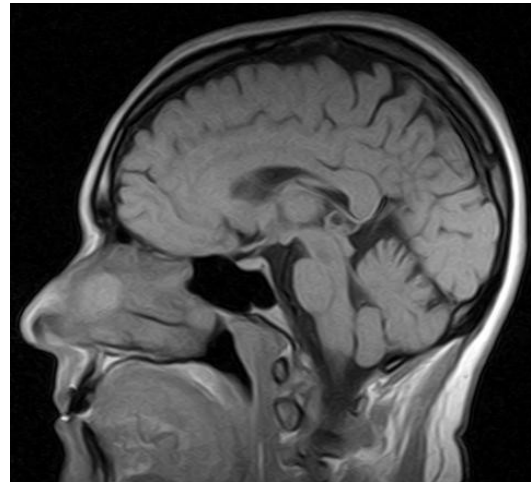
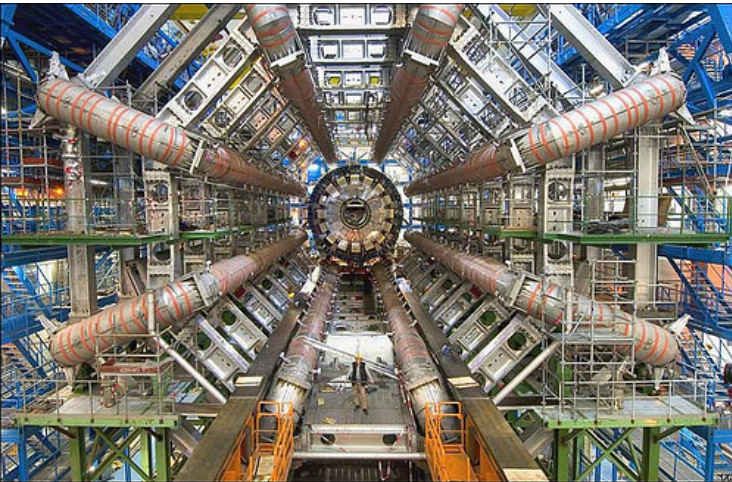
Major Trends in Sensing

higher resolution / denser sampling

large numbers of sensors

increasing # of modalities / mobility

Major Trends in Sensing



Motivation: solve bigger / more important problems
decrease acquisition times / costs
entertainment...

Problems of the Current Paradigm

- **Sampling at Nyquist rate**

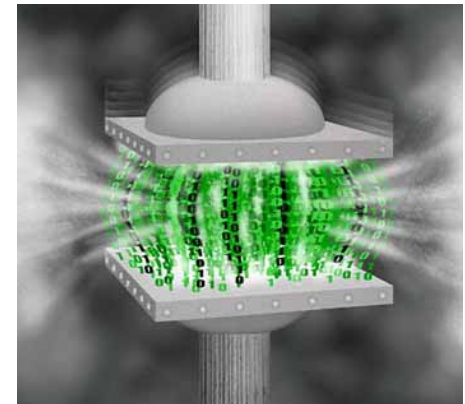
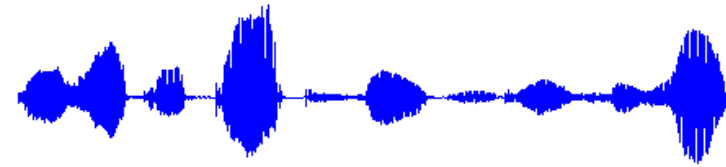
- expensive / difficult

- **Data deluge**

- communications / storage

- **Sample then compress**

- not future proof



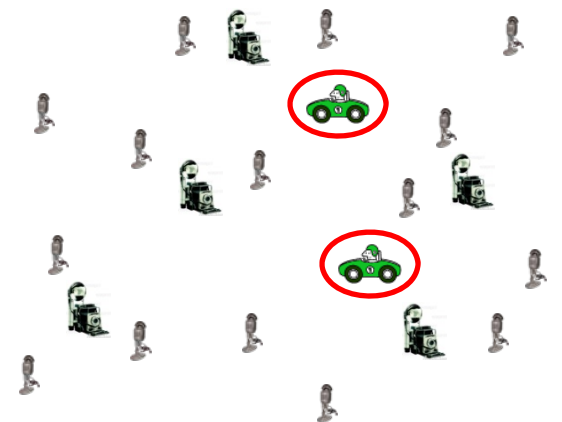
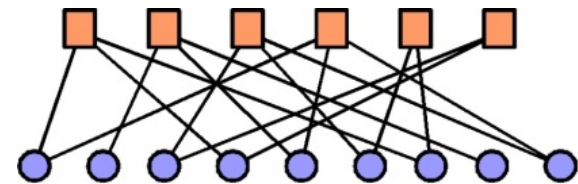
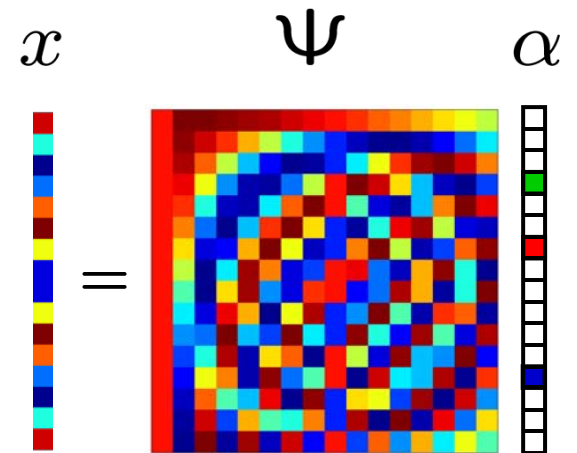
Approaches

- Do nothing / Ignore
be content with
where we are...
 - generalizes well
 - robust



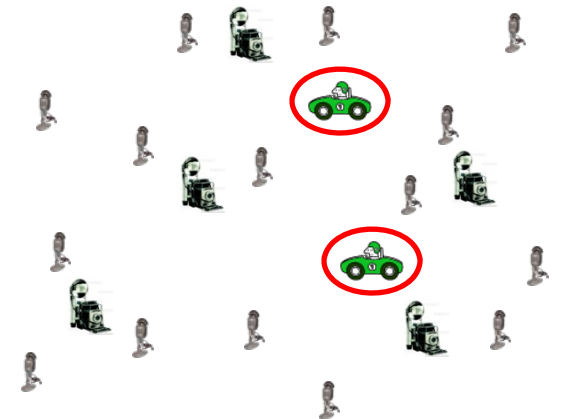
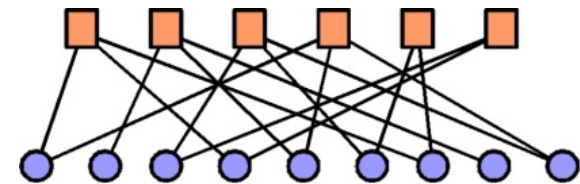
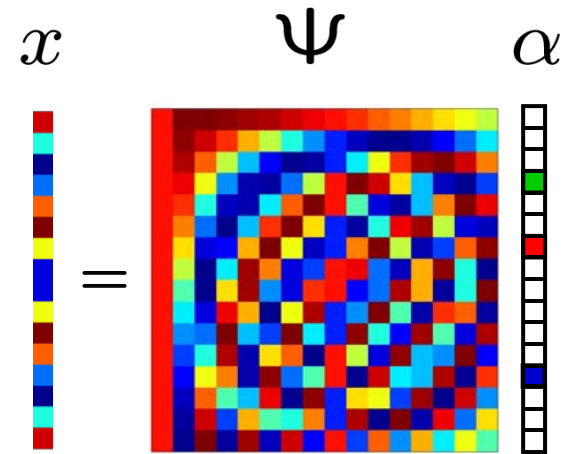
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Today – Beyond Sparsity

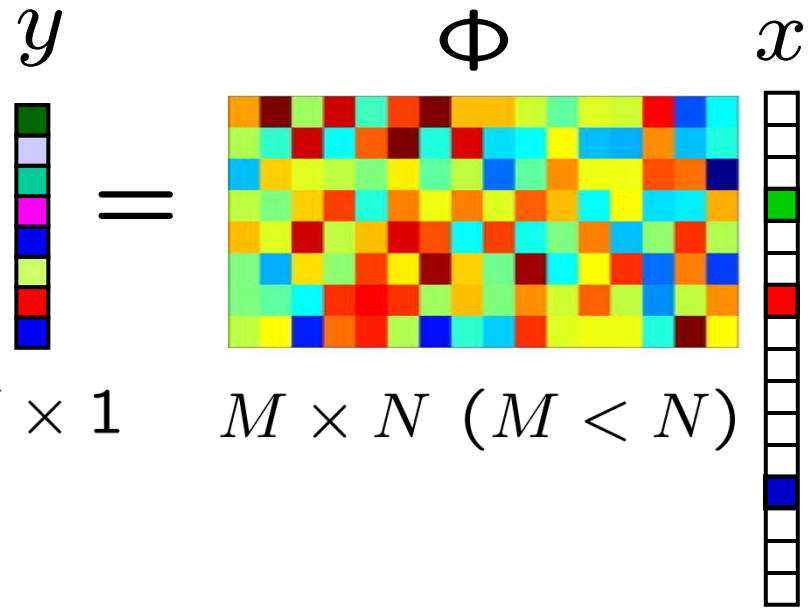
Sensing via dimensionality reduction

Model-based Compressive Sensing w/ Structured Sparsity Models

- Reducing sampling / processing / communication costs
- Increasing recovery / processing speed
- Improving robustness / stability

Compressive Sensing 101

- **Goal:** Recover a *sparse* or *compressible* signal x from measurements y

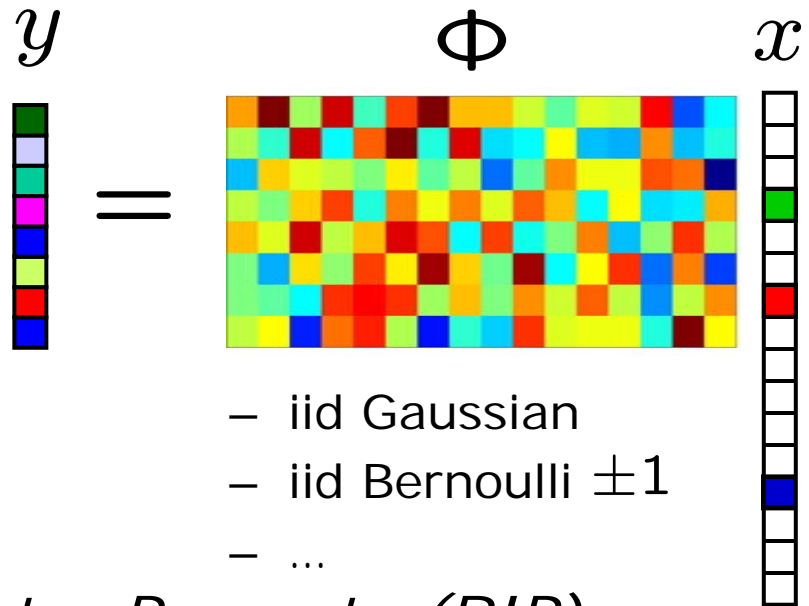


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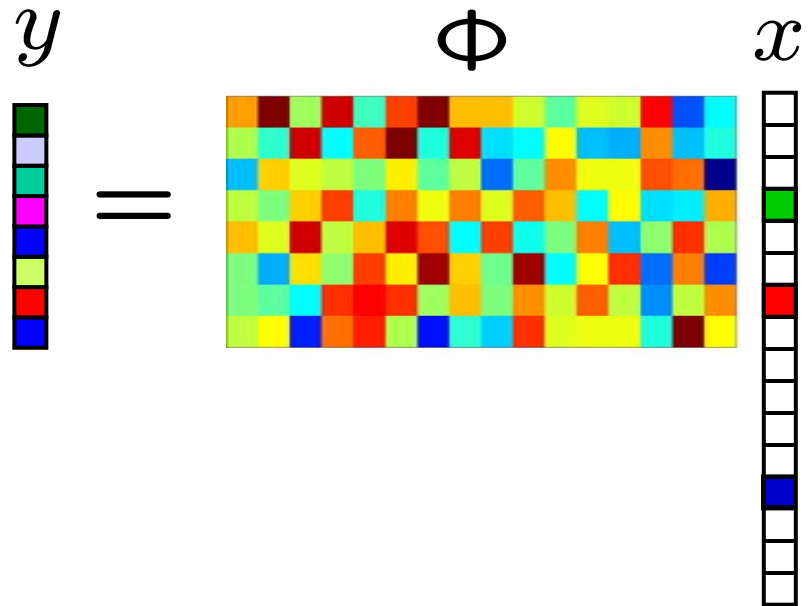
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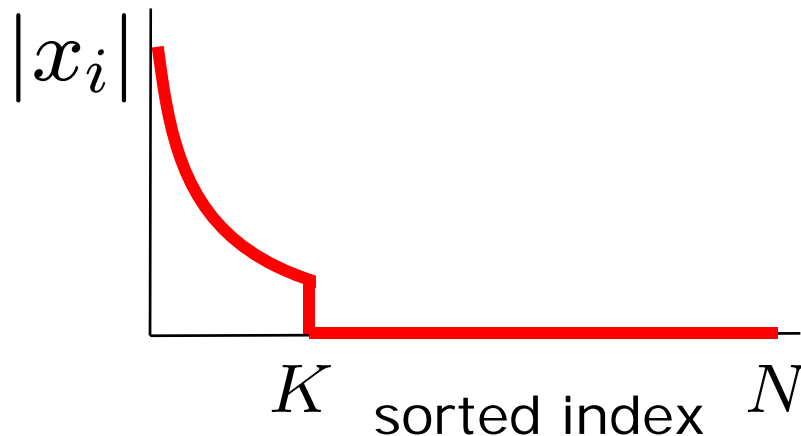
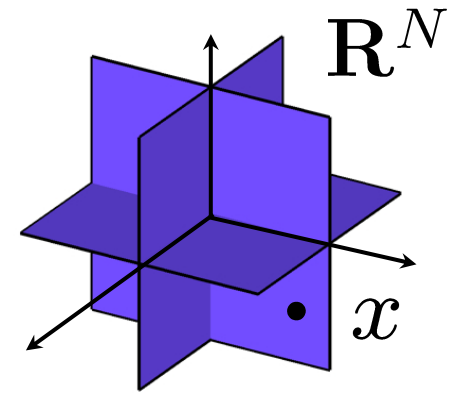
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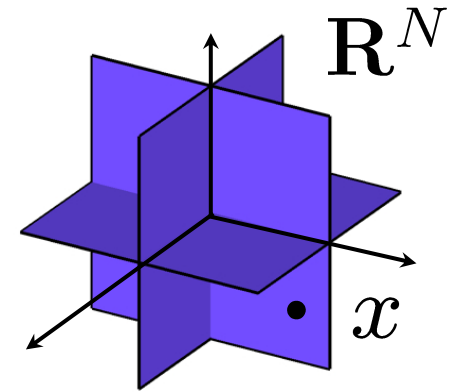
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- **Sparse** signal: only K out of N coordinates nonzero
 - model: union of K -dimensional subspaces aligned w/ coordinate axes



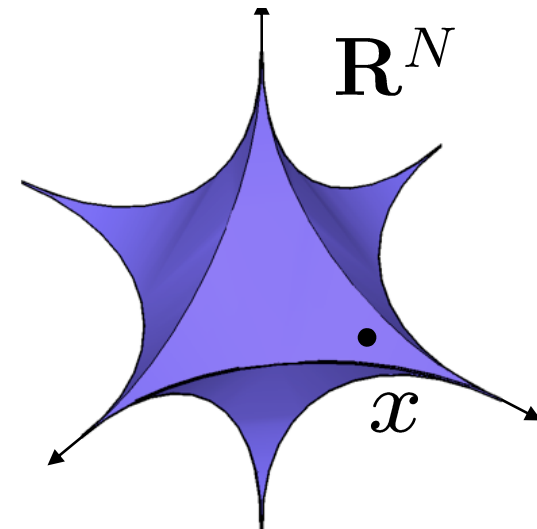
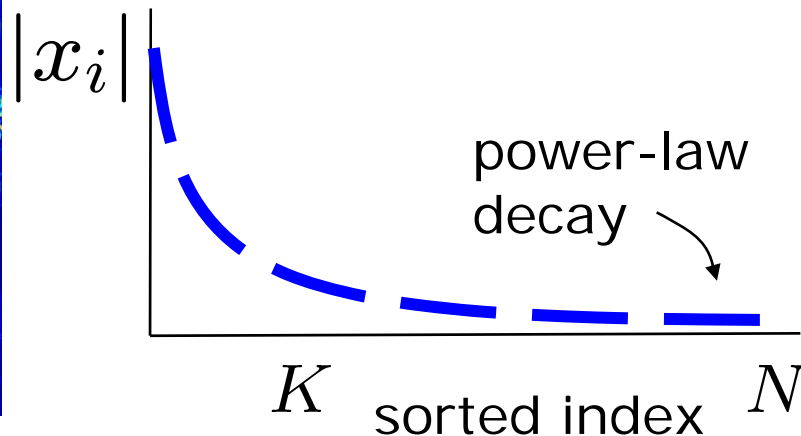
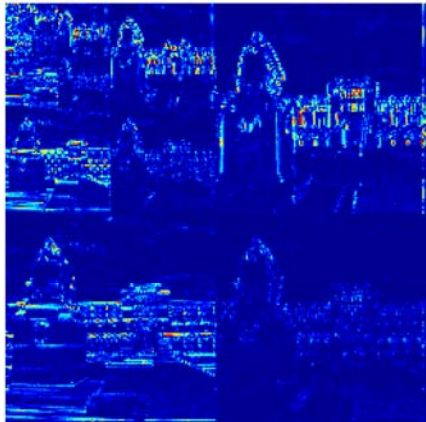
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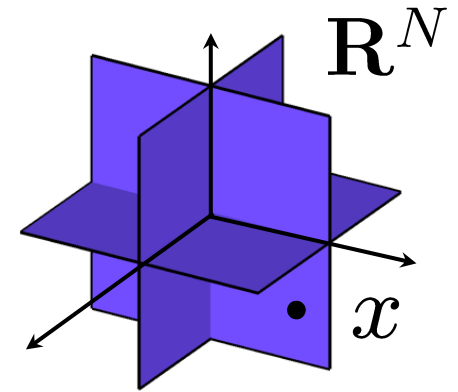
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– model: ℓ_p ball: $\|x\|_p^p = \sum_i |x_i|^p \leq 1, p \leq 1$



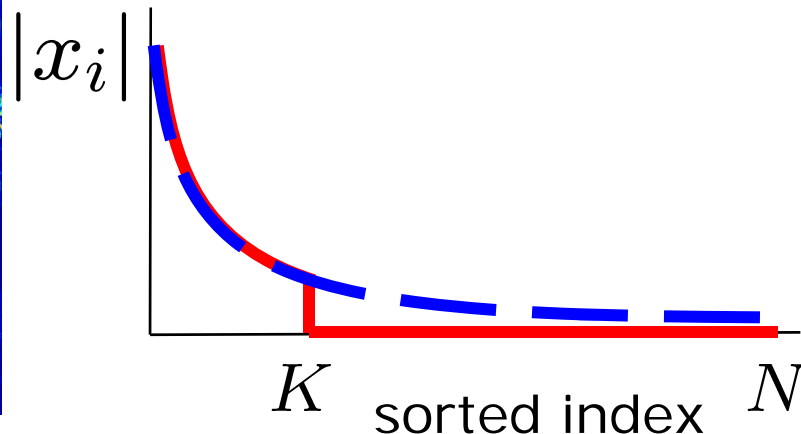
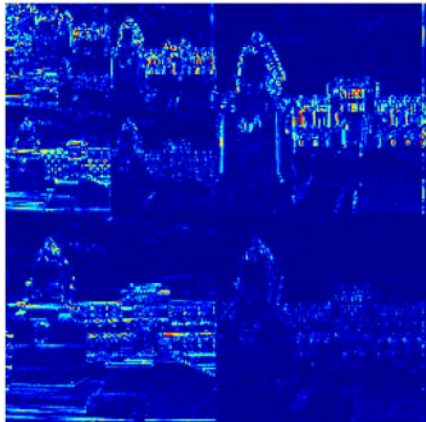
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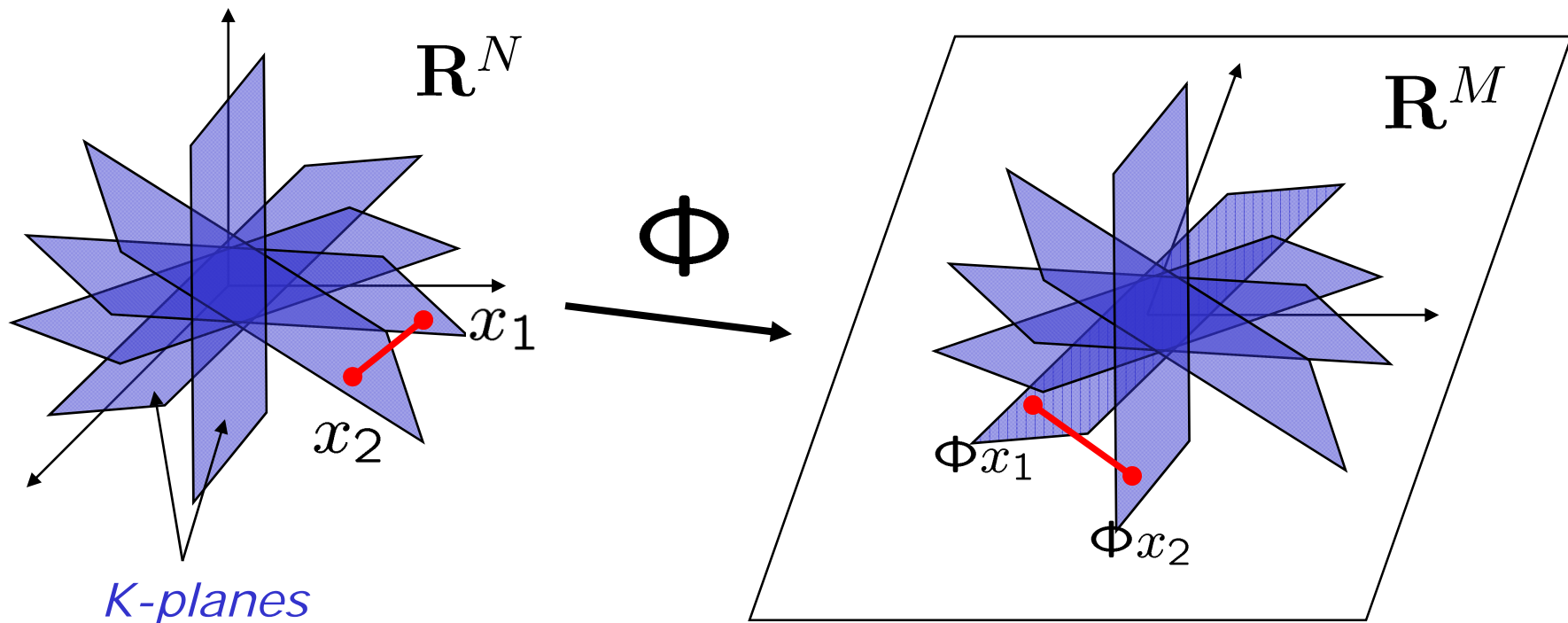
well-approximated by a K -sparse signal
(simply by thresholding)



Restricted Isometry Property (RIP)

- Preserve the structure of sparse/compressible signals
- RIP of order $2K$ implies: for all K -sparse x_1 and x_2

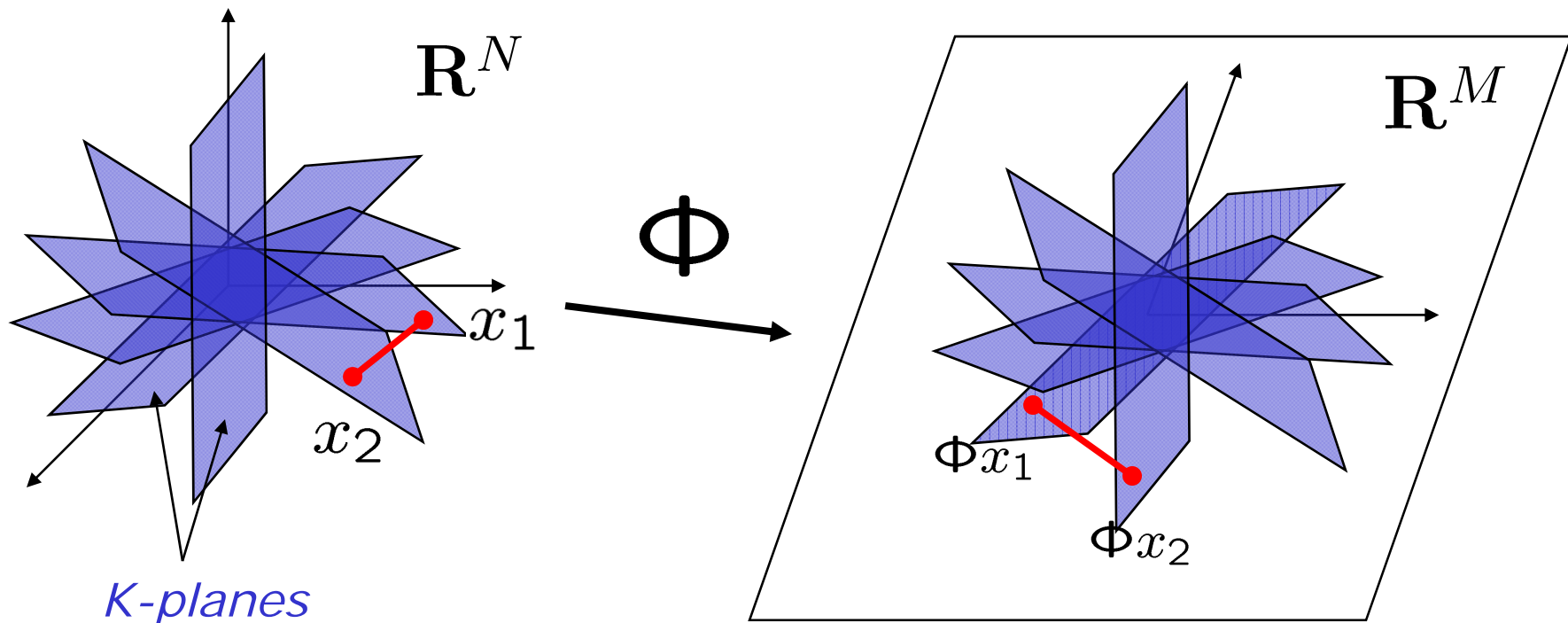
$$(1 - \delta_{2K}) \leq \frac{\|\Phi x_1 - \Phi x_2\|_2^2}{\|x_1 - x_2\|_2^2} \leq (1 + \delta_{2K})$$



Restricted Isometry Property (RIP)

- Preserve the structure of sparse/compressible signals
- Random subGaussian (iid Gaussian, Bernoulli) matrix has the RIP with high probability if

$$M = O(K \log(N/K))$$



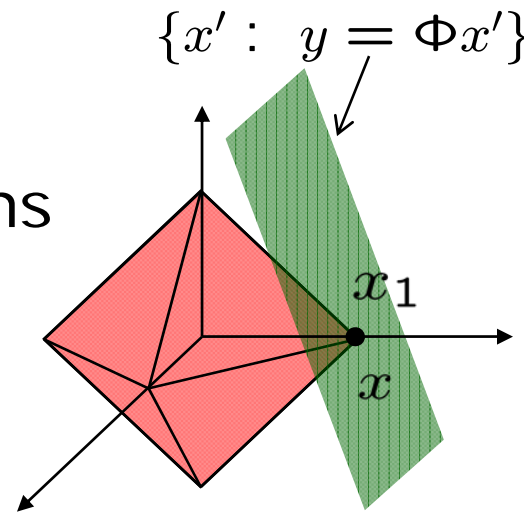
Recovery Algorithms

- **Goal:** given $y = \Phi x + e$
recover x

- ℓ_1 and convex optimization formulations
 - basis pursuit, Dantzig selector, Lasso, ...

$$\hat{x} = \arg \min \|x\|_1 \text{ s.t. } y = \Phi x$$

- Greedy algorithms
 - orthogonal matching pursuit,
iterative thresholding (IT),
compressive sensing matching pursuit (CoSaMP)
 - at their core: **iterative sparse approximation**



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Performance of Recovery

- Using ℓ_1 methods, IT, CoSaMP
- **Sparse signals**
 - noise-free measurements: exact recovery
 - noisy measurements: stable recovery

- **Compressible signals**

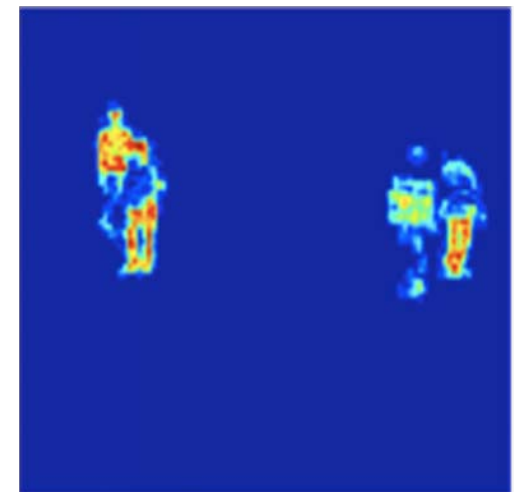
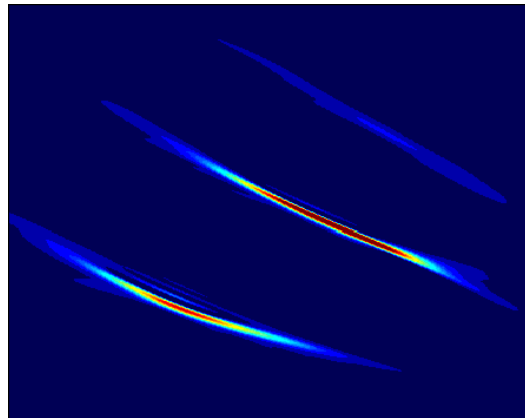
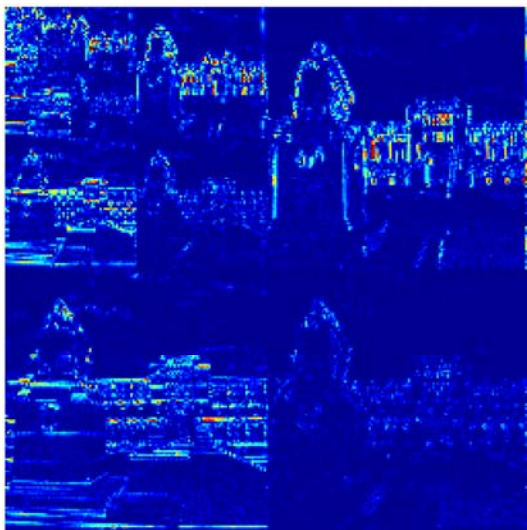
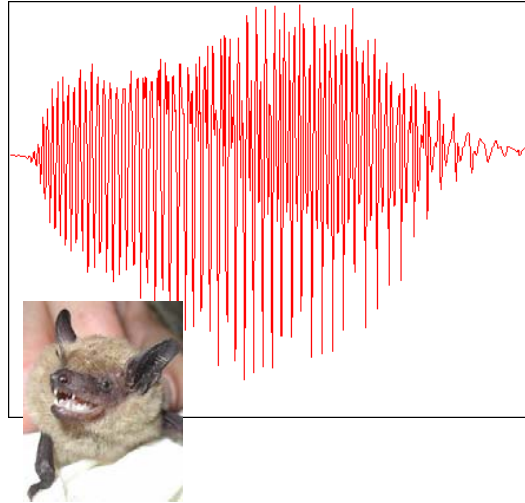
- recovery as good as K -sparse approximation

$$\underbrace{\|x - \hat{x}\|_{\ell_2}}_{\text{CS recovery error}} \leq \underbrace{C_1 \|x - x_K\|_{\ell_2}}_{\text{signal } K\text{-term approx error}} + C_2 \frac{\|x - x_K\|_{\ell_1}}{K^{1/2}} + \underbrace{C_3 \epsilon}_{\text{noise}}$$

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**From Sparsity
to
Model-based (*structured*)
Sparsity**

Sparse Models



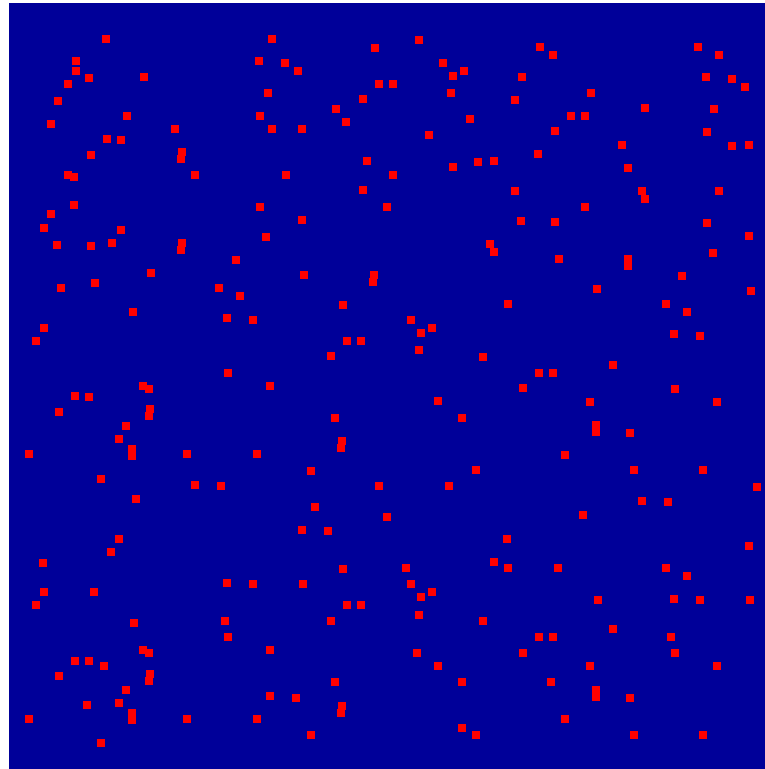
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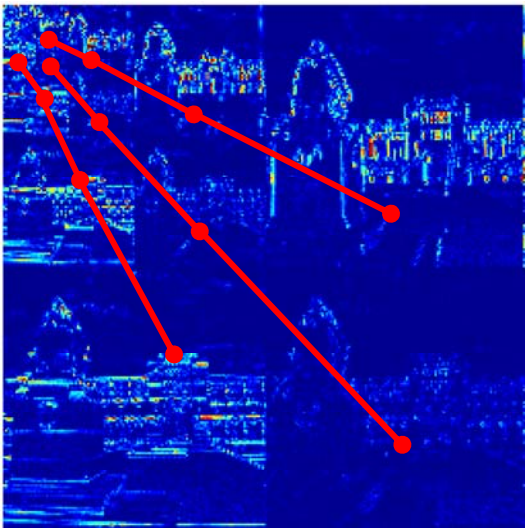
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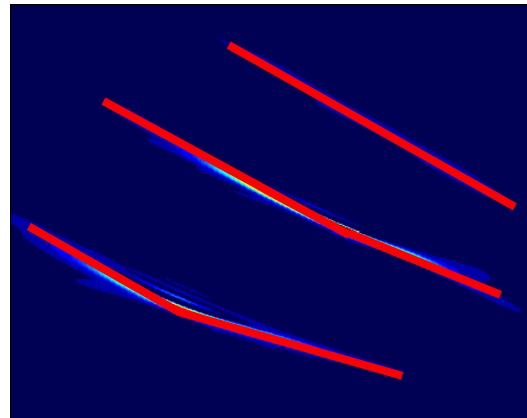
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Beyond Sparse Models

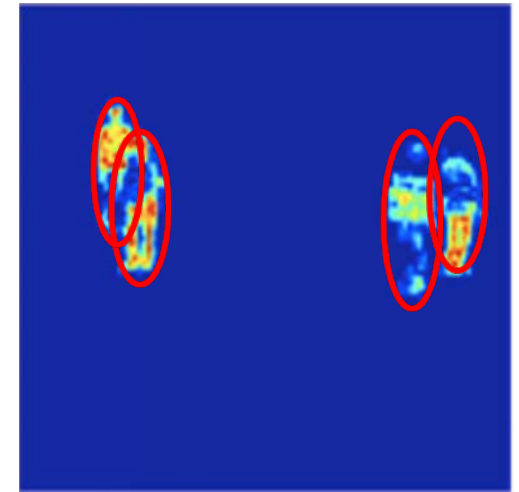
- Sparse/compressible signal model captures **simplistic primary structure**
- Modern compression/processing algorithms capture **richer secondary coefficient structure**



wavelets:
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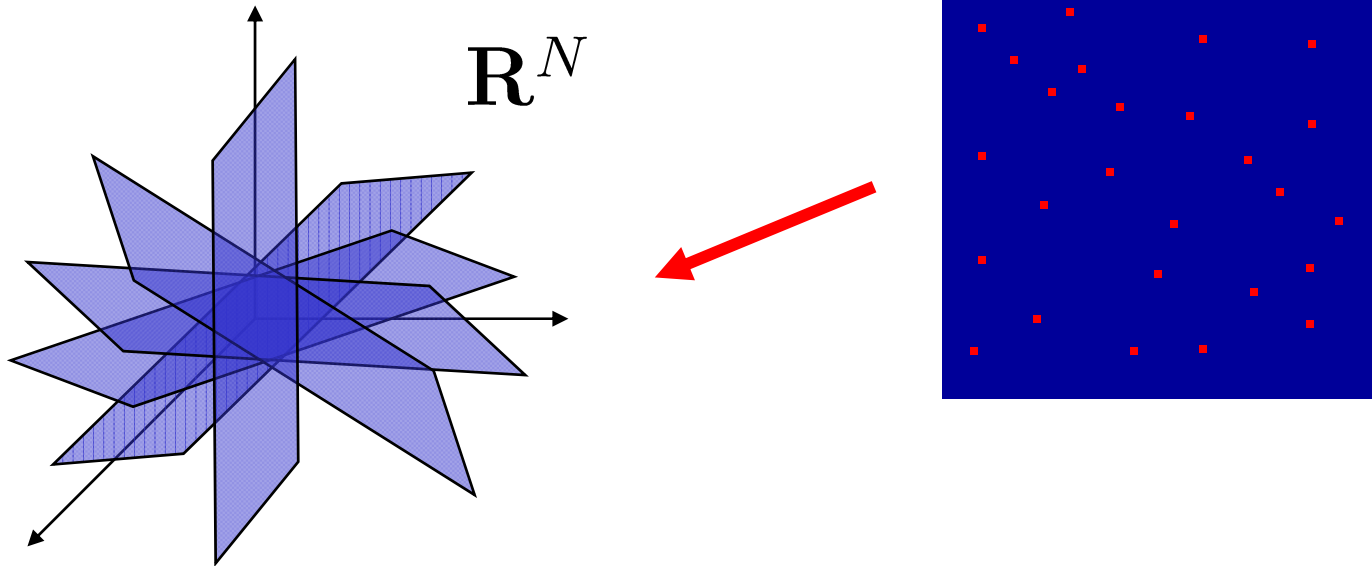
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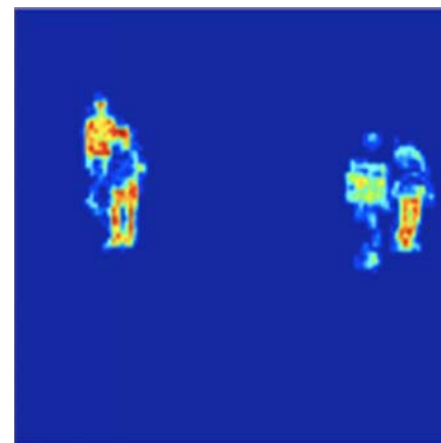
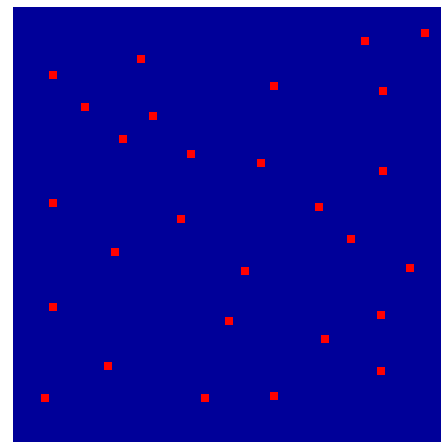
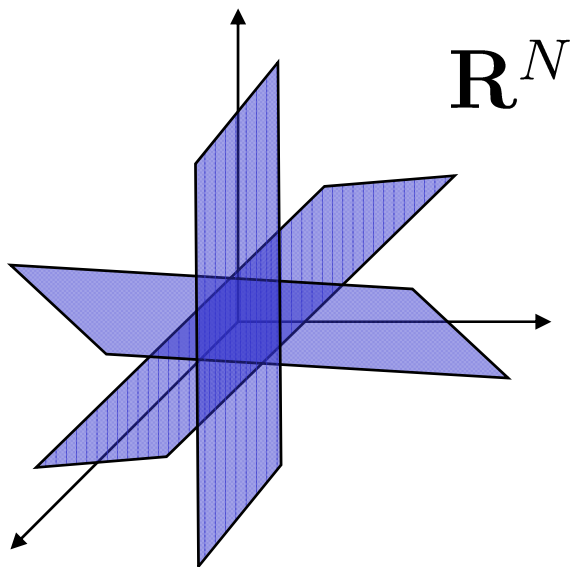
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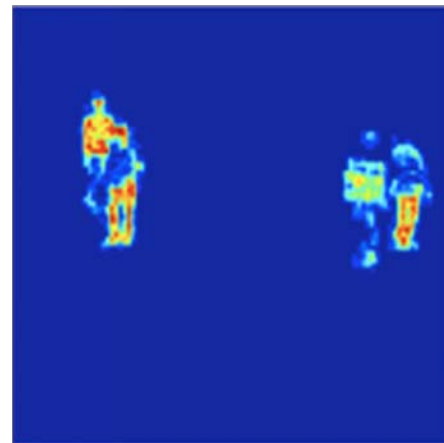
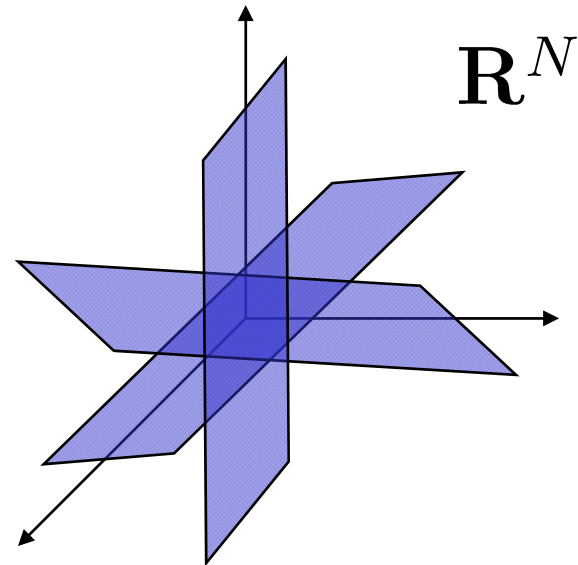
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< > ***fewer measurements***



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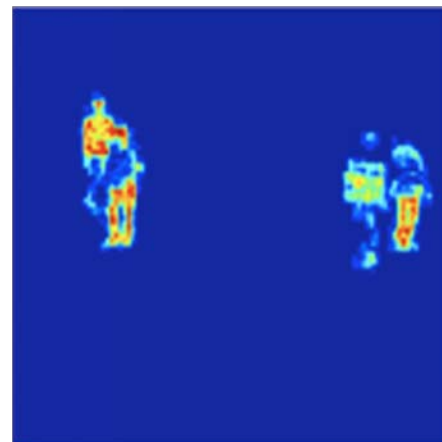
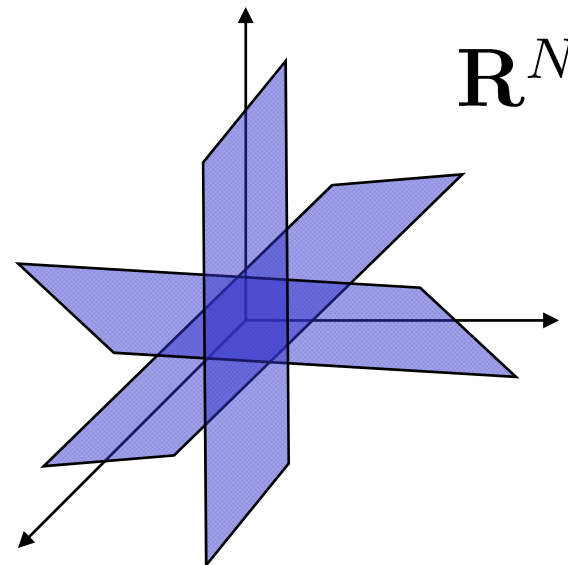
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- **Structured subspaces**

< > increased signal discrimination

< > *improved recovery perf.*

< > *faster recovery*

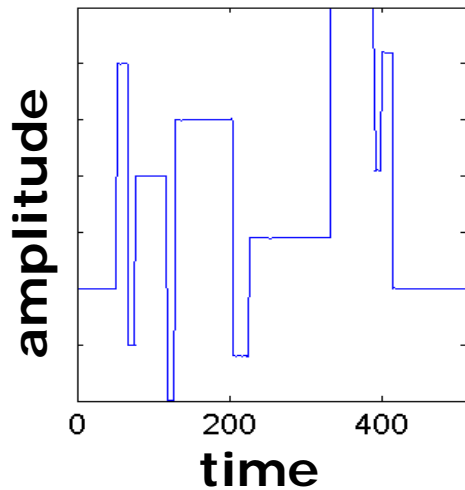
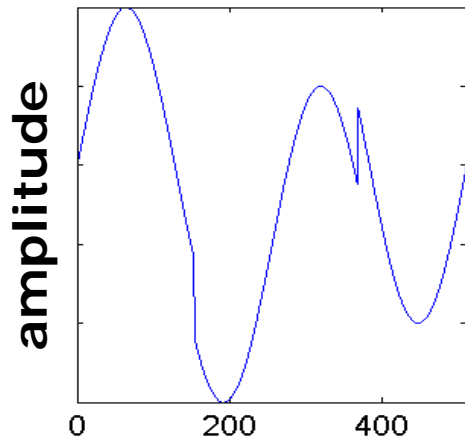


Model-based CS

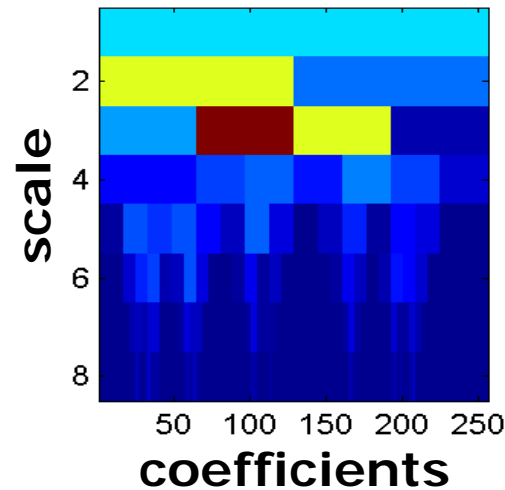
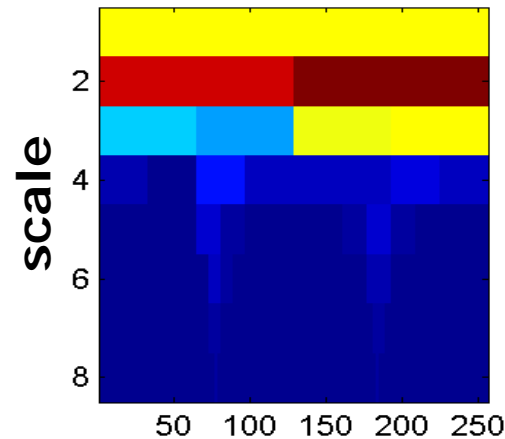
Running Example: Tree-Sparse Signals

Wavelet Sparse

1-D signals



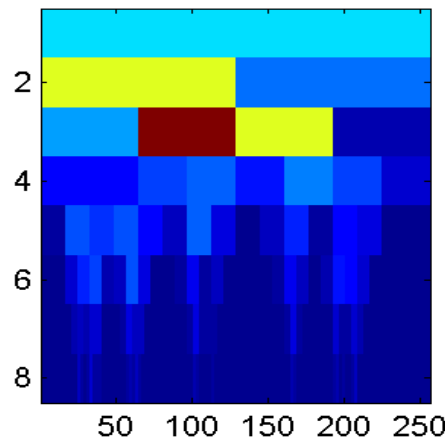
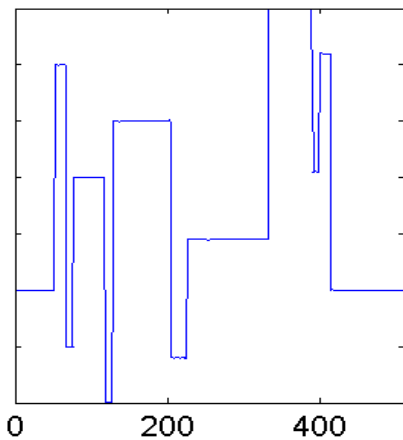
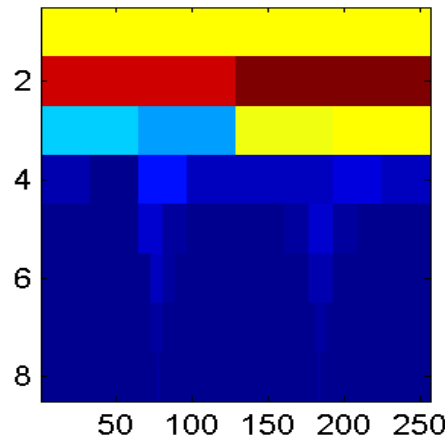
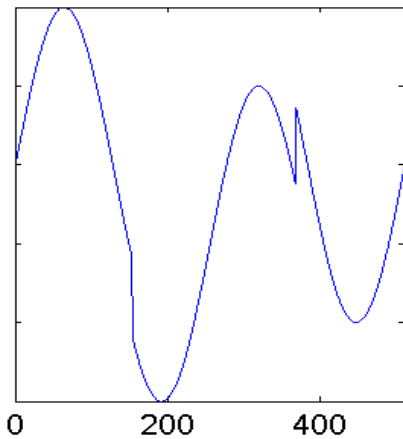
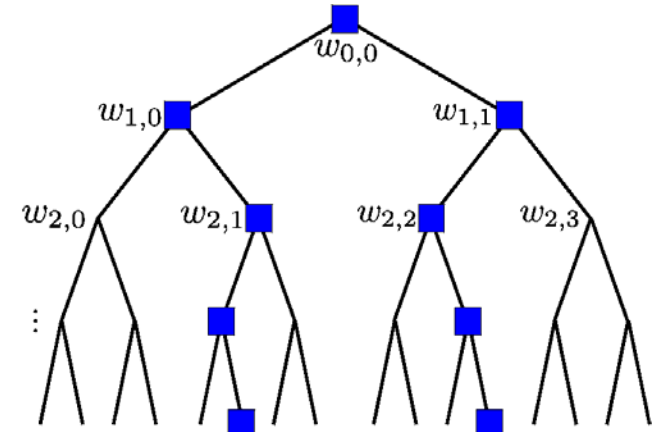
1-D wavelet transform



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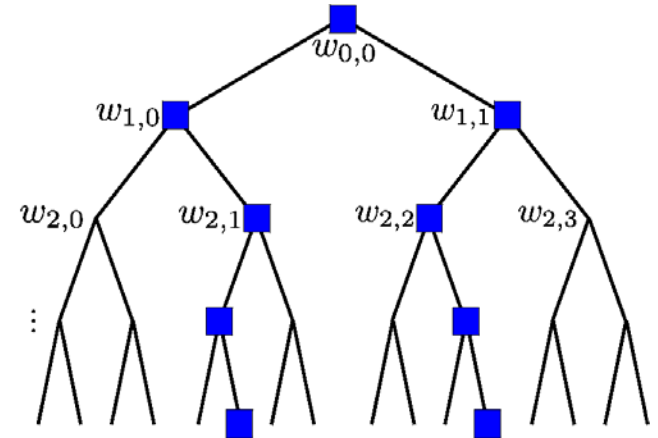
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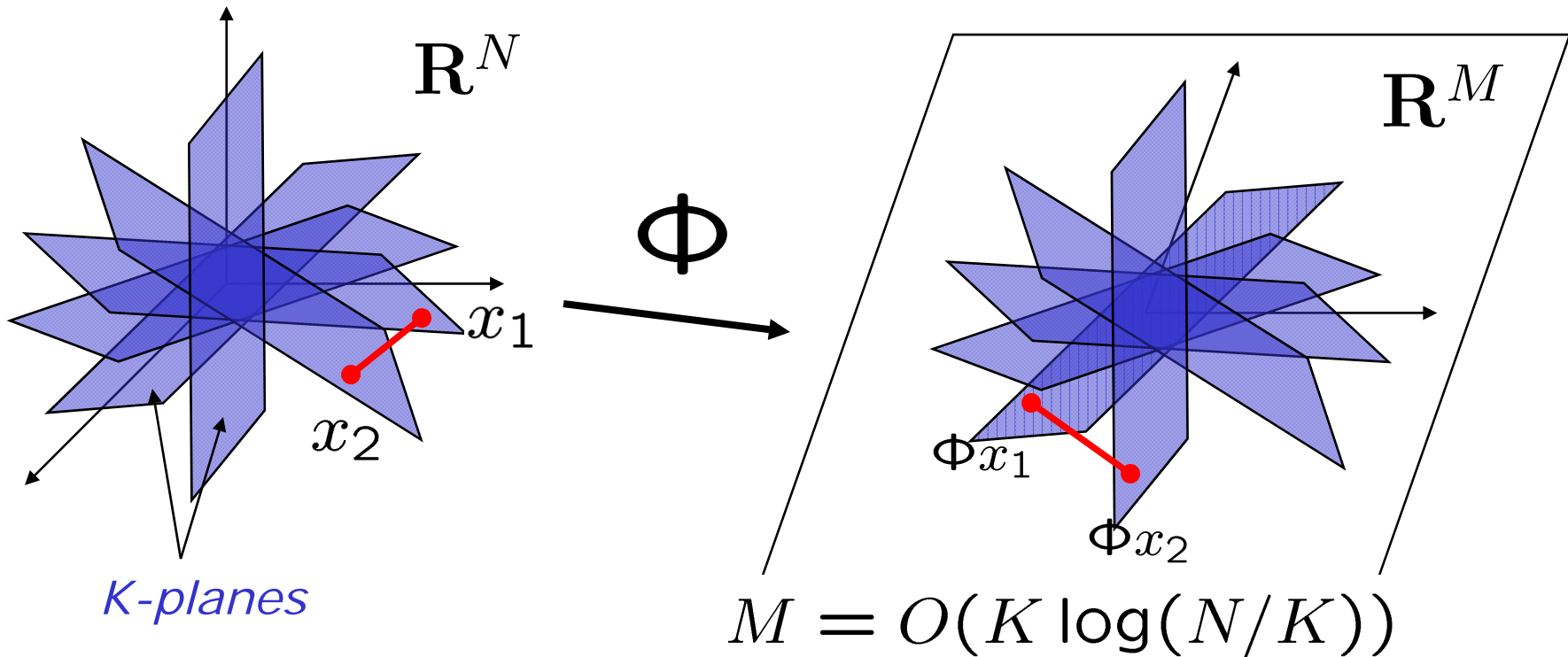
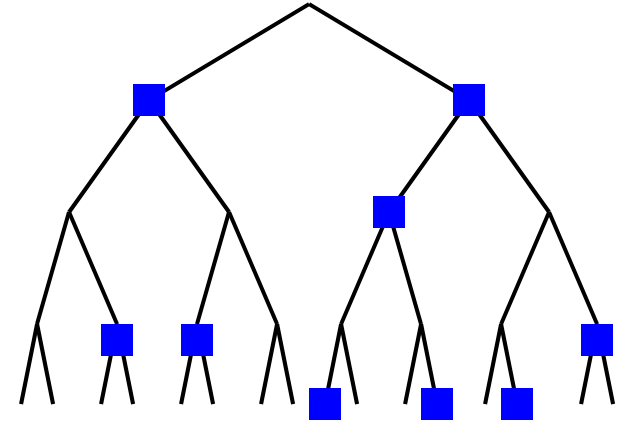
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- **Sparse approx:** find best set of coefficients
 - sorting
 - hard thresholding
- **Tree-sparse approx:** find best rooted subtree of coefficients
 - CSSA [Baraniuk]
 - dynamic programming [Donoho]

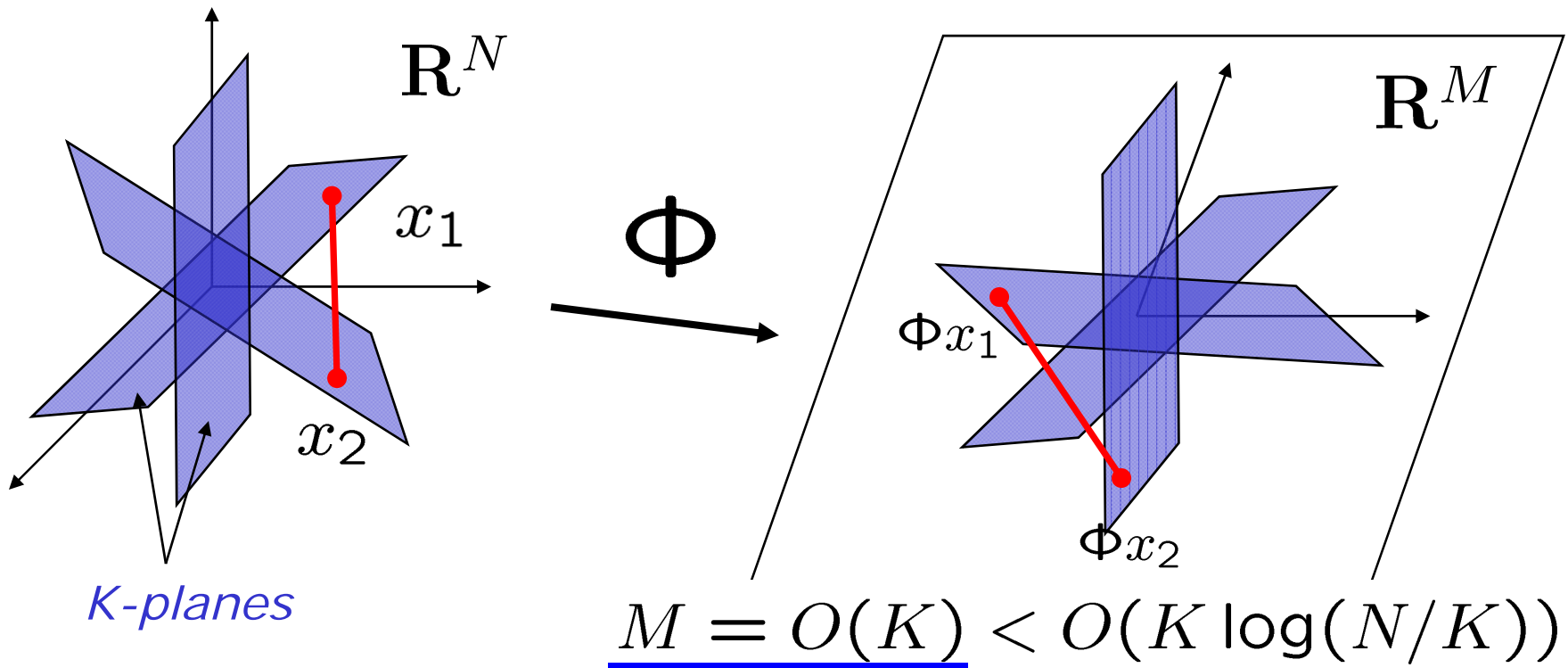
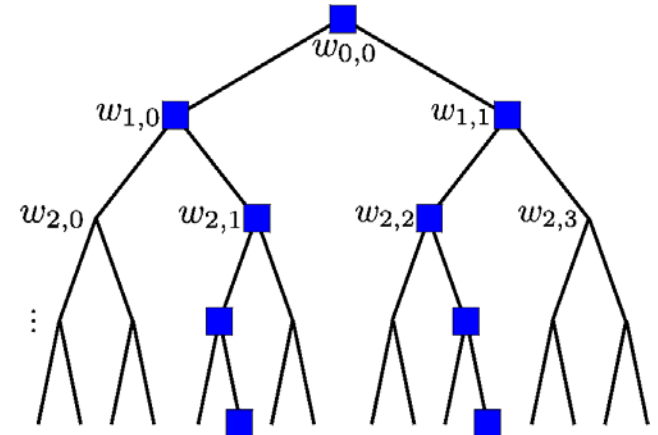
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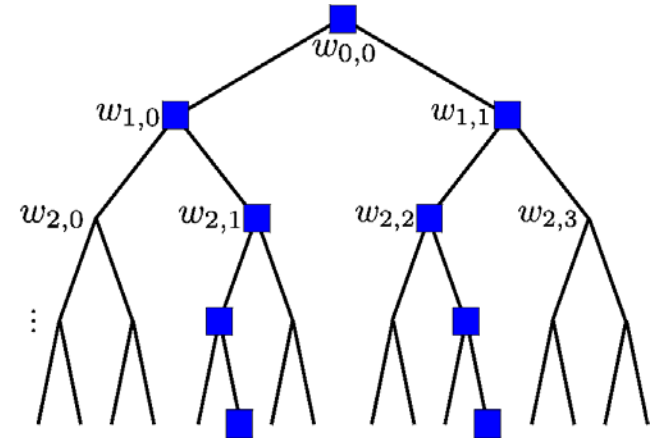
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- **Recovery:** new model based algorithms

[VC, Duarte, Hegde, Baraniuk; Baraniuk, VC, Duarte, Hegde]

Standard CS Recovery

- **Iterative Thresholding**

[Nowak, Figueiredo; Kingsbury, Reeves; Daubechies, Defrise, De Mol; Blumensath, Davies; ...]

Given $y = \Phi x$, recover a sparse x

initialize: $\hat{x}_0 = 0, r = y, i = 0$

iteration:

- $i \leftarrow i + 1$

- $b \leftarrow \hat{x}_{i-1} + \Phi^T r$

update signal estimate

- $\hat{x}_i \leftarrow \text{thresh}(b, K)$

prune signal estimate
(best K -term approx)

- $r \leftarrow y - \Phi \hat{x}_i$

update residual

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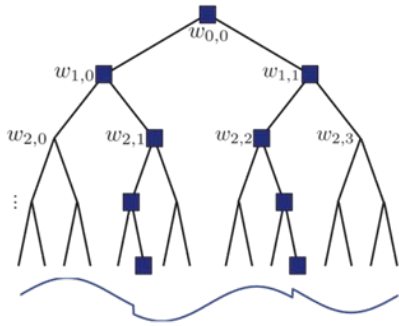
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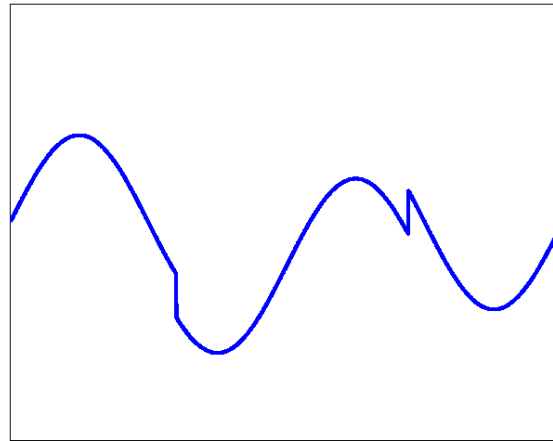
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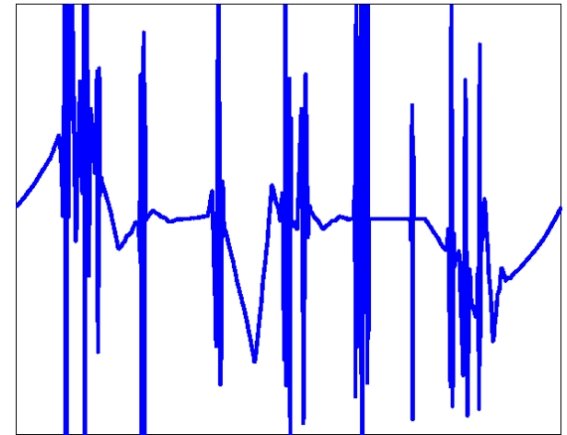
Tree-Sparse Signal Recovery



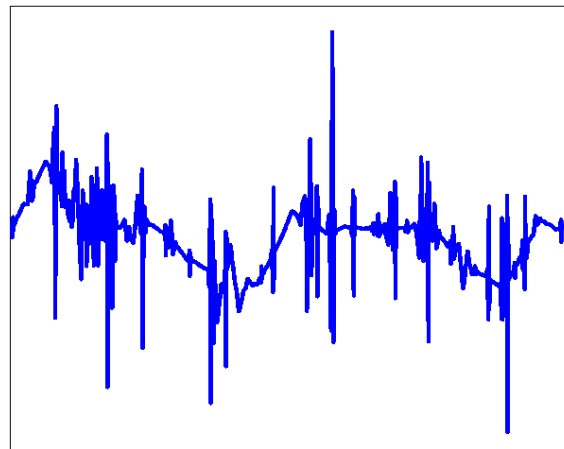
$N=1024$
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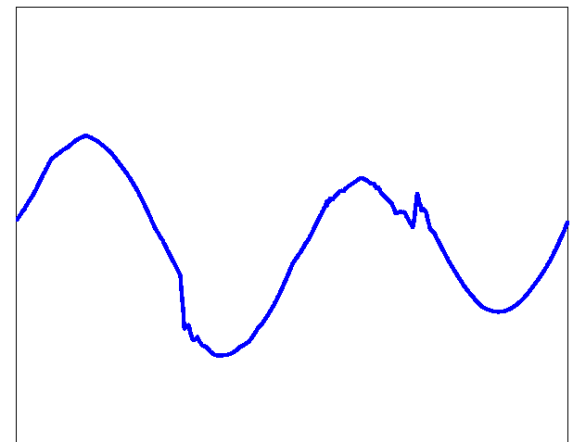
target signal



CoSaMP,
(MSE=1.12)



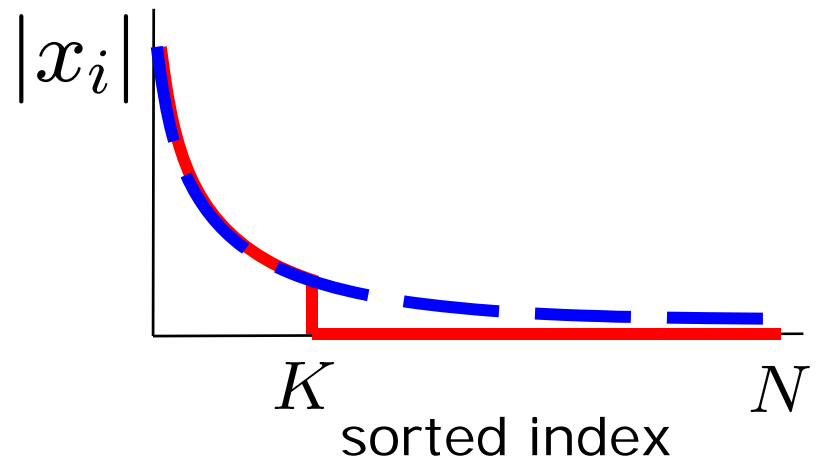
L1-minimization
(MSE=0.751)



Tree-sparse CoSaMP
(MSE=0.037)

Compressible Signals

- Real-world signals are compressible, not sparse
- Recall: **compressible** \leftrightarrow well approximated by sparse
 - compressible signals lie close to a union of subspaces
 - ie: approximation error decays rapidly as $K \rightarrow \infty$
- If Φ has RIP, then both sparse and compressible signals are stably recoverable



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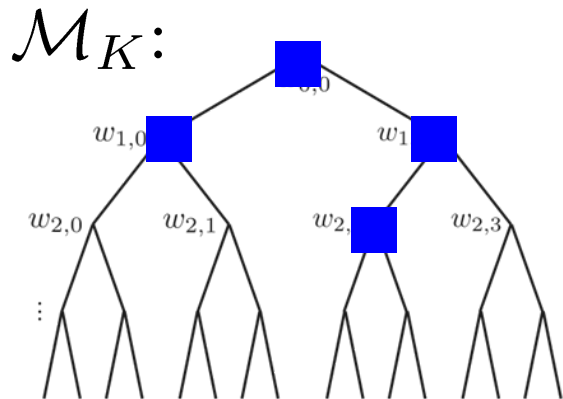
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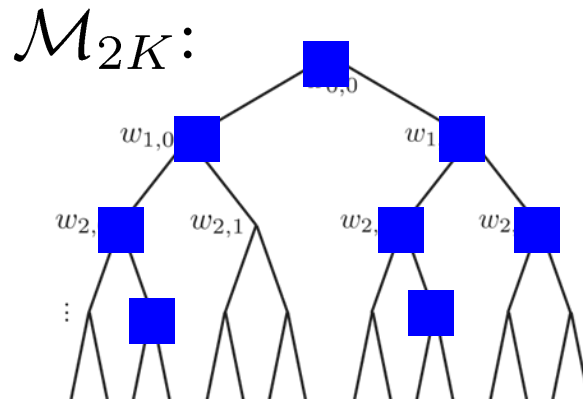
- While model-RIP enables stable model-sparse recovery,
model-RIP is *not* sufficient for stable model-compressible recovery at $\mathcal{O}(K)$!

Stable Recovery

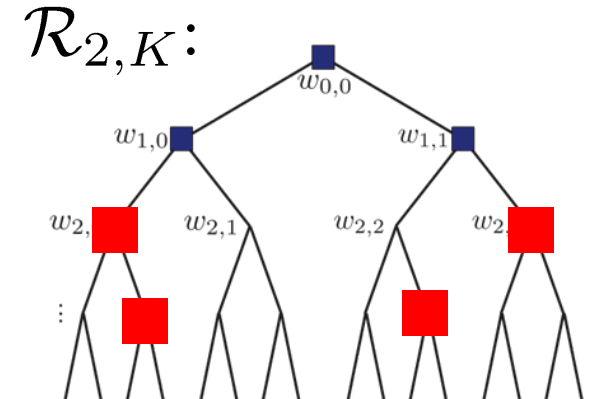
- Stable model-compressible signal recovery at $\mathcal{O}(K)$ requires that Φ have both:
 - RIP + **Restricted Amplification Property**
- RAmP:** controls nonisometry of Φ in the approximation's **residual subspaces**



optimal K -term
model recovery
(error controlled
by Φ RIP)



optimal $2K$ -term
model recovery
(error controlled
by Φ RIP)



residual subspace
(error *not* controlled
by Φ RIP)

Tree-RIP, Tree-RAmP

Theorem: An $M \times N$ iid subgaussian random matrix has the **Tree(K)-RIP** if

$$\underline{M} \geq \begin{cases} \frac{2}{c\delta_{TK}^2} \left(\underline{K} \ln \frac{48}{\delta_{TK}} + \ln \frac{512}{Ke^2} + t \right) & \text{if } K < \log_2 N \\ \frac{2}{c\delta_{TK}^2} \left(\underline{K} \ln \frac{24e}{\delta_{TK}} + \ln \frac{2}{K+1} + t \right) & \text{if } K \geq \log_2 N \end{cases}$$

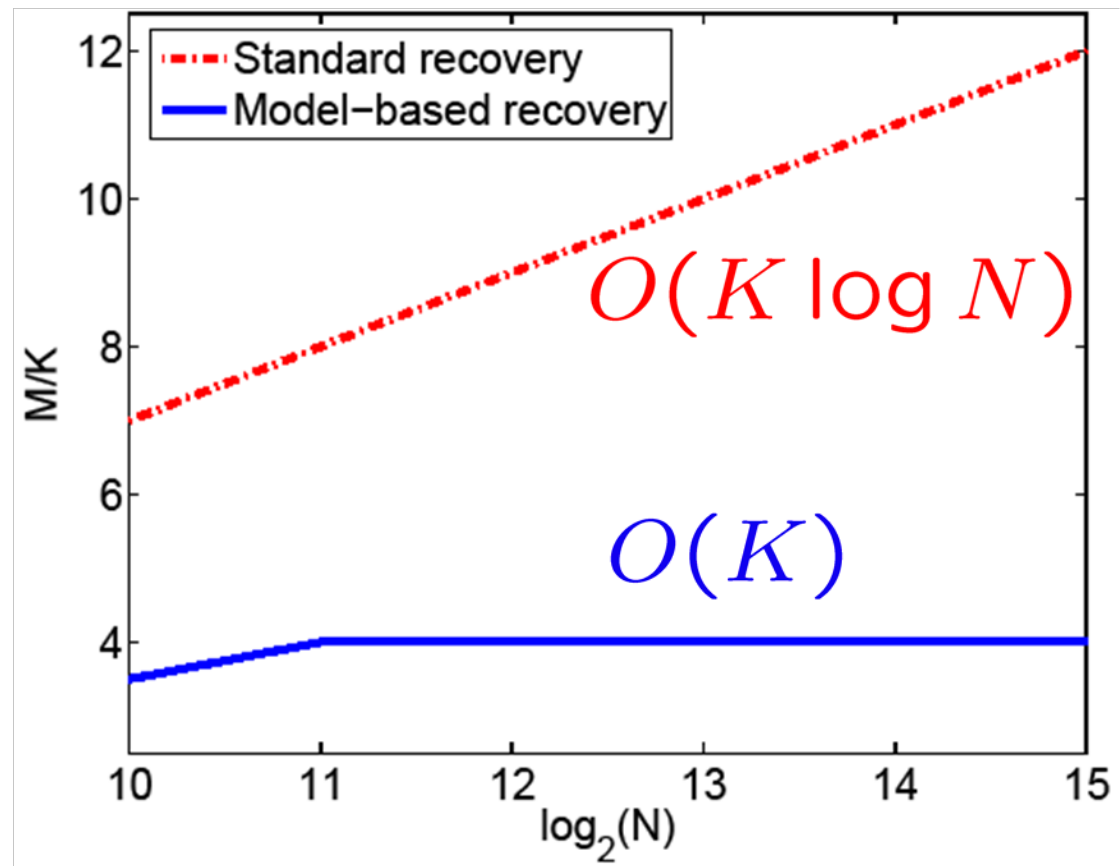
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with probability $1 - \exp(-t)$.

Simulation

- Number samples for correct recovery
- Piecewise cubic signals + wavelets
- Models/algorithms:
 - compressible (CoSaMP)
 - tree-compressible (tree-CoSaMP)



Performance of Recovery

- Using model-based IT, CoSaMP with RIP and RAmP

- **Model-sparse signals**

- noise-free measurements: exact recovery
- noisy measurements: stable recovery

- **Model-compressible signals**

- recovery as good as K -model-sparse approximation

$$\|x - \hat{x}\|_{\ell_2} \leq C_1 \|x - x_{\mathcal{M}_K}\|_{\ell_2} + C_2 \frac{\|x - x_{\mathcal{M}_K}\|_{\ell_1}}{K^{1/2}} + C_3 \epsilon$$

CS recovery
error

signal K -term
model approx error

noise

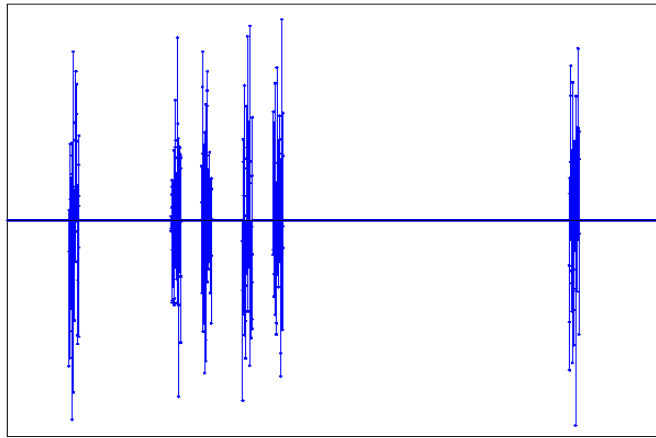
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 - **model** with
 - fast approximation algorithm
 - sensing **matrix** Φ with
 - model-RIP
 - model-RAMP

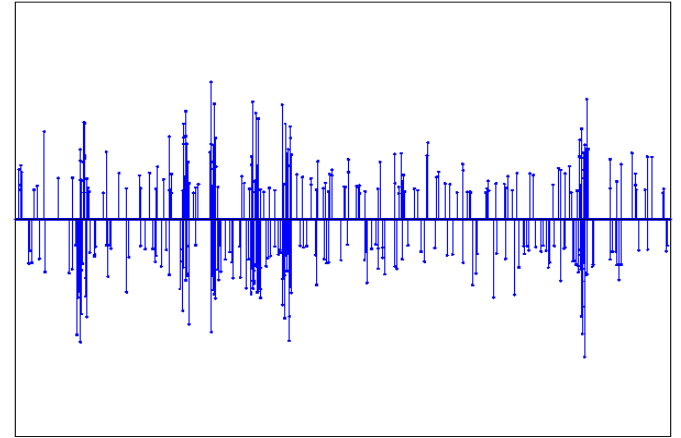
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- **Ex: block sparsity / signal ensembles**
[Tropp, Gilbert, Strauss], [Stojnic, Parvaresh, Hassibi],
[Eldar, Mishali], [Baron, Duarte et al], [Baraniuk, **VC**, Duarte, Hegde]
- **Ex: clustered signals**
[**VC**, Duarte, Hegde, Baraniuk], [**VC**, Indyk, Hegde, Baraniuk]
- **Ex: neuronal spike trains**
[Hegde, Duarte, **VC**] – Best paper award at SPARS'09

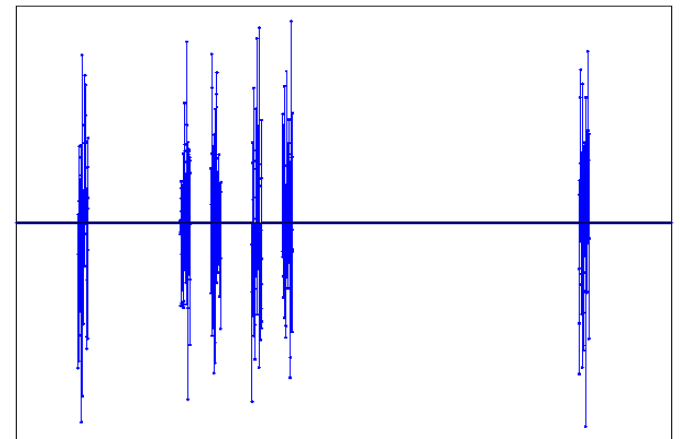
Block-Sparse Signal



target



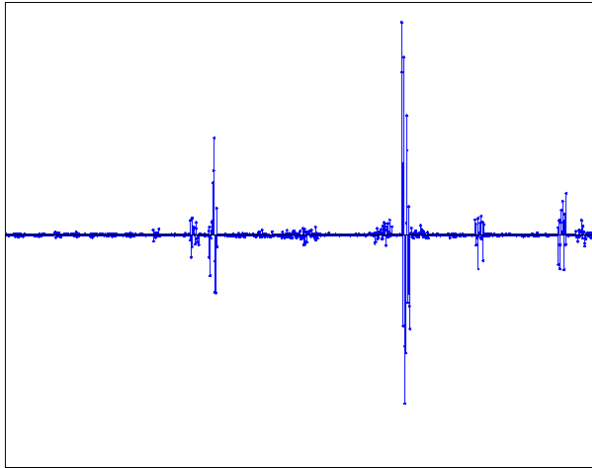
CoSaMP (MSE = 0.723)



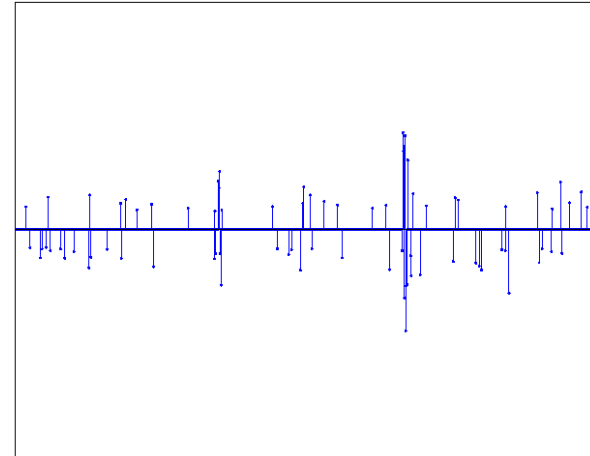
block-sparse model recovery
(MSE=0.015)

Blocks are pre-specified.

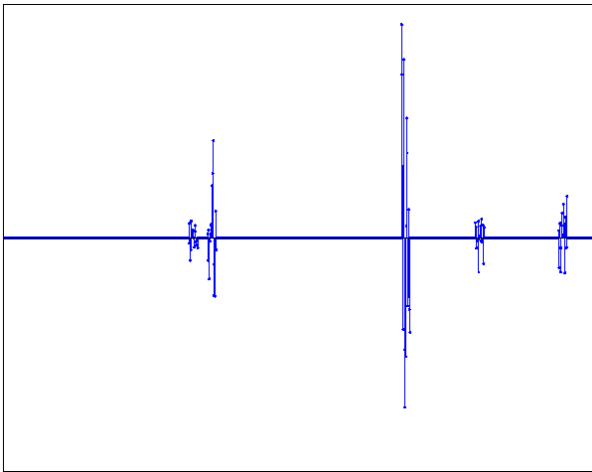
Block-Compressible Signal



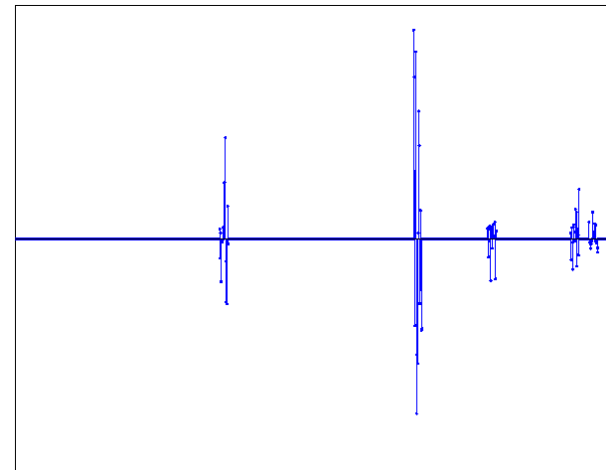
target



CoSaMP (MSE=0.711)



best 5-block approximation
(MSE=0.116)



block-sparse recovery
(MSE=0.195)

Clustered Sparsity

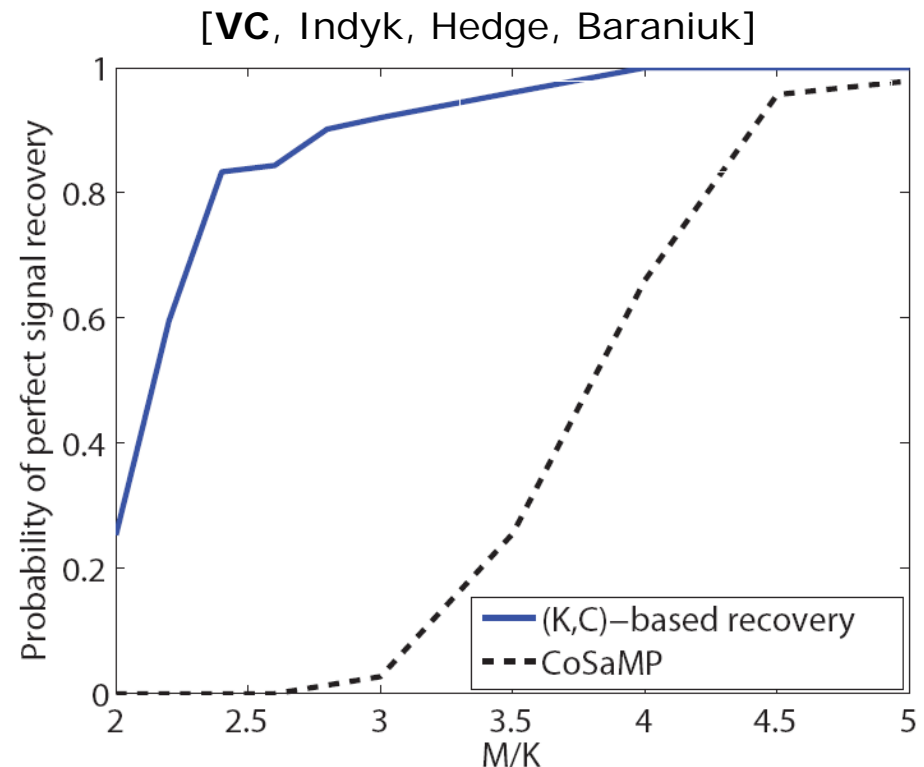
- **(K, C) sparse signals** (1-D)
 - K -sparse within at most C clusters



- For stable recovery (model-RIP + RAmP) $M = O(K + C \log(N/C))$

- Model approximation using **dynamic programming**

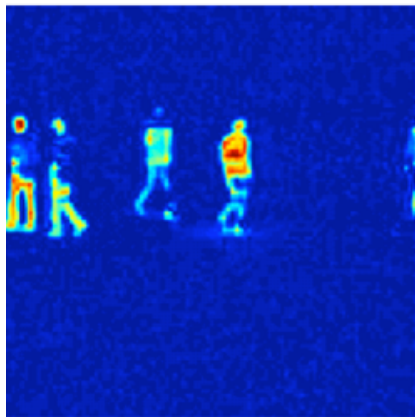
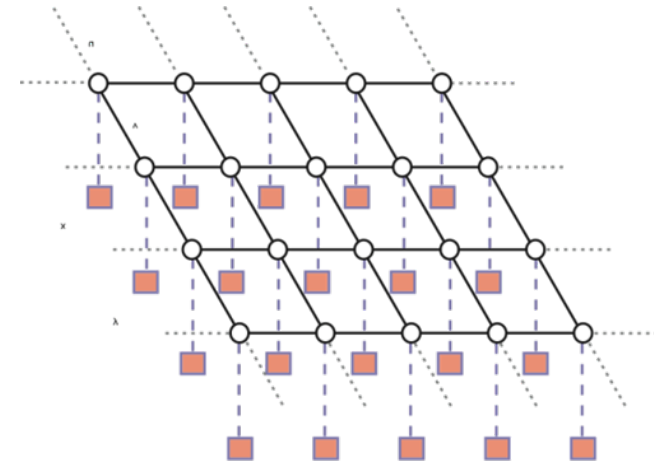
- Includes **block sparsity** as a special case



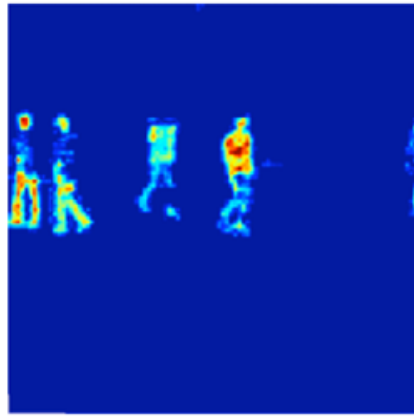
Clustered Sparsity

- Model clustering of significant pixels in space domain using **graphical model** (MRF)
- Ising model approximation via **graph cuts**

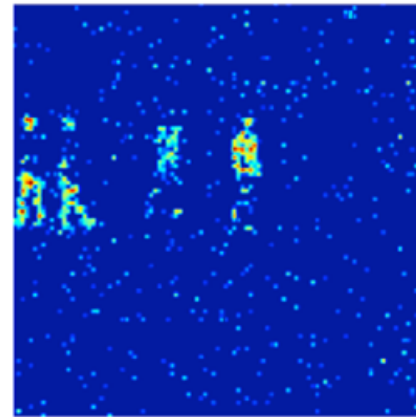
[VC, Duarte, Hedge, Baraniuk]



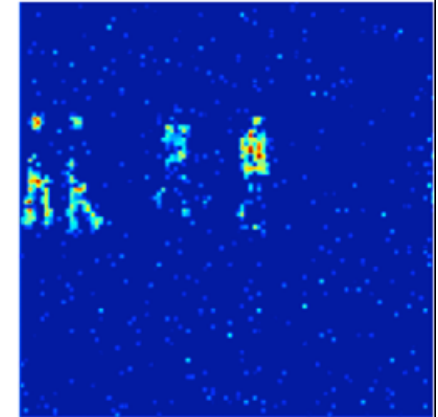
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Ising-model
recovery



CoSaMP
recovery



LP (FPC)
recovery

Neuronal Spike Trains

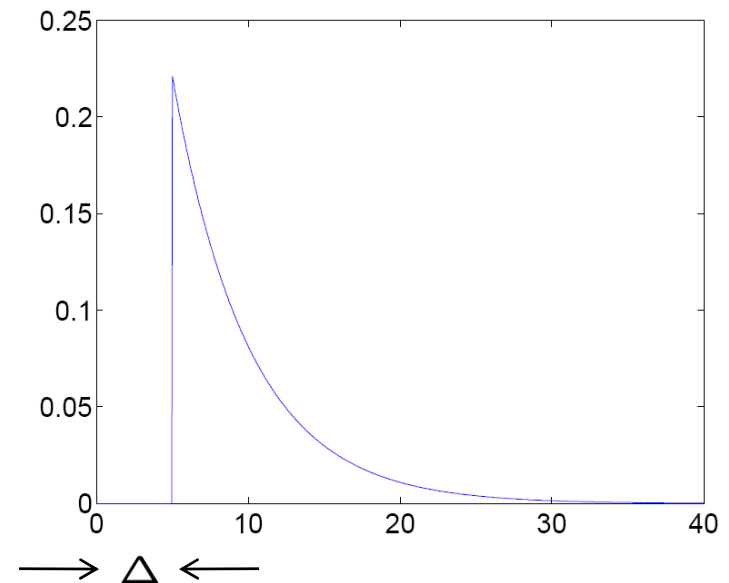
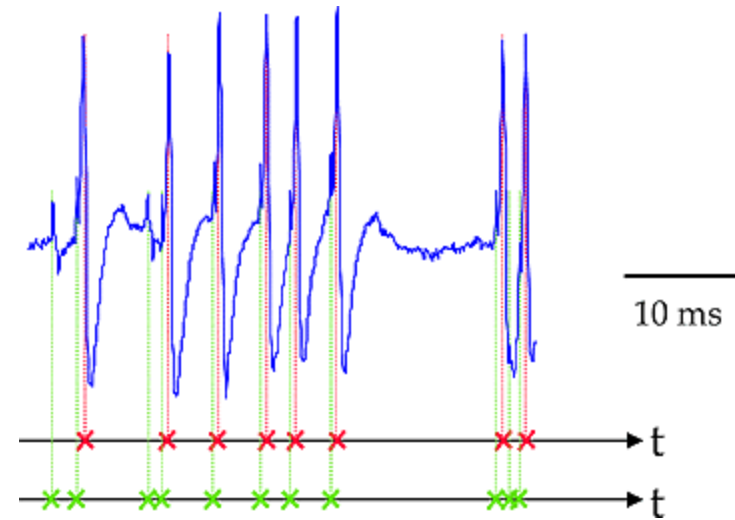
- Model the firing process of a single neuron via 1D Poisson process with spike trains

$$x_n = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k \delta[n - n_k]$$

- Exploit the **refractory period** of neurons

- Model approximation problem:

- Find a **K -sparse signal** such that **its coefficients are separated by at least Δ**



Neuronal Spike Trains

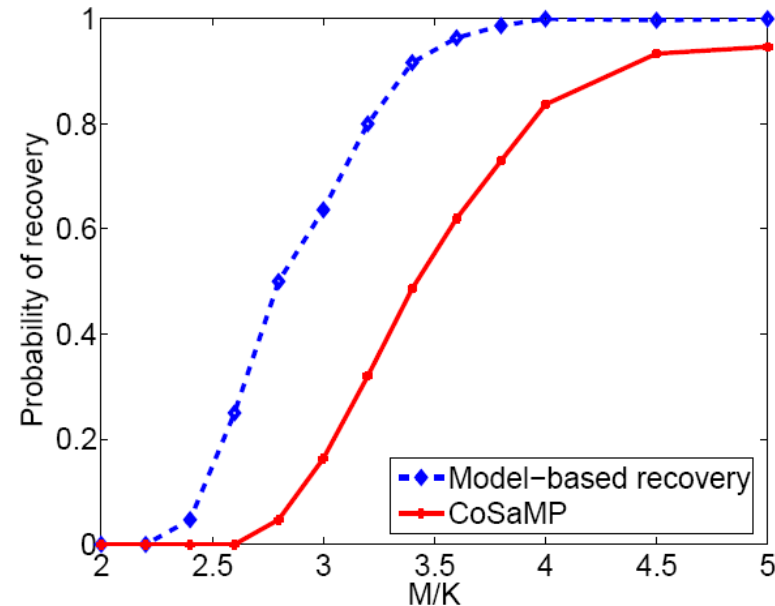
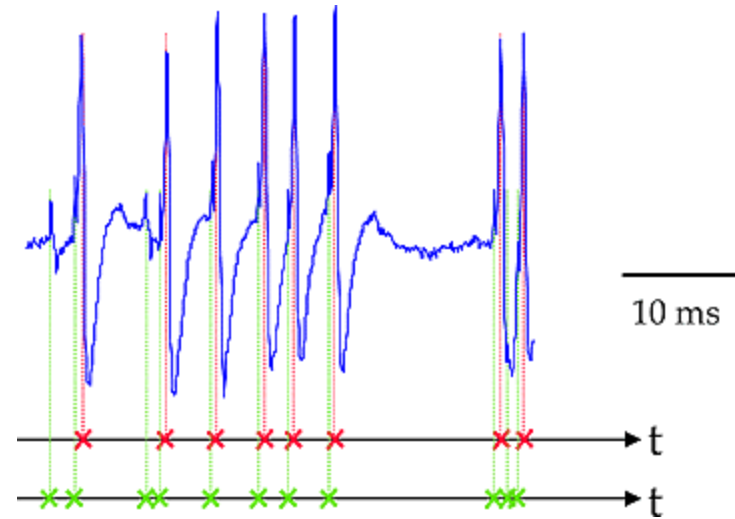
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- Stable recovery

$$M = O(K \log(N/K - \Delta))$$

- Model approximation solution:

- Integer program
- **Efficient & provable solution** due to total unimodularity of linear constraint



A black and white photograph of Albert Einstein, with his characteristic wild hair and mustache, wearing a dark jacket. He is standing in front of a chalkboard, looking back over his shoulder towards the camera while writing with a piece of chalk. The chalkboard contains handwritten text in white chalk.

Is recovery necessary?

- Can we somehow just sample enough
to accomplish a task?

Signal recovery is not **always** required.

ELVIS:

**Enhanced
Localization
via
Incoherence and
Sparsity**



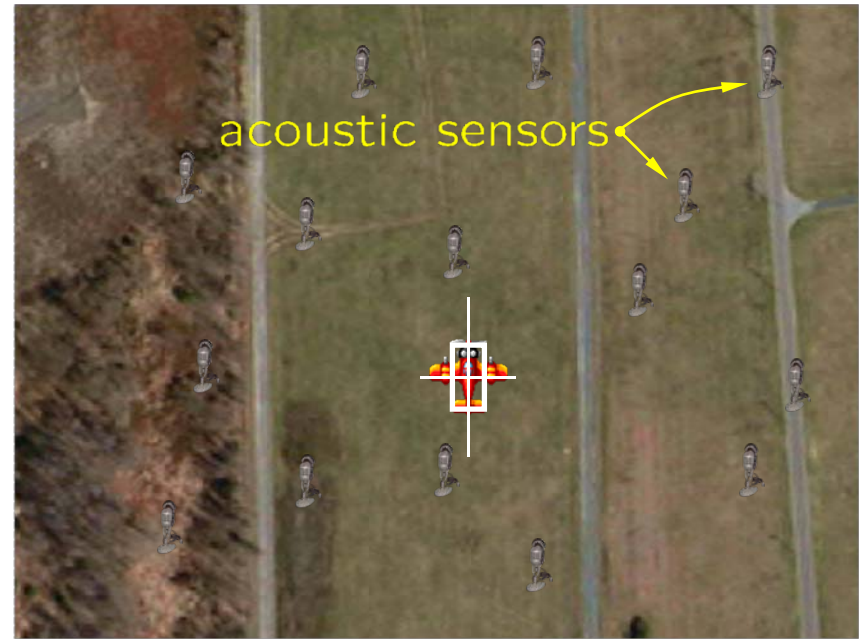
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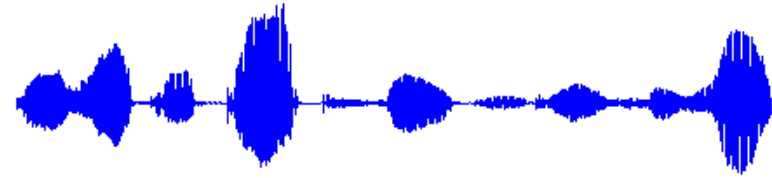
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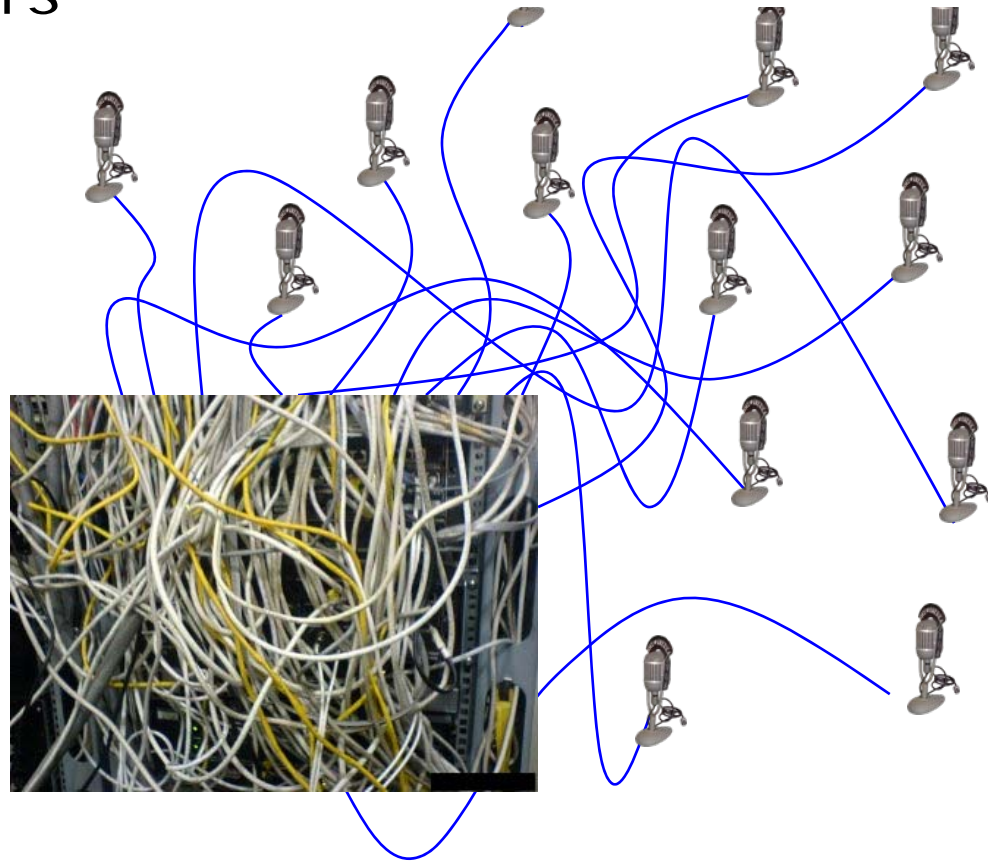


Bottlenecks

- **Goal:** Localize targets by fusing measurements from a network of sensors
 - collect time signal data
 - requires potentially high-rate (Nyquist) sampling
 - communicate signals across the network
 - potentially large communication burden
 - solve an optimization problem



Need compression



An Important Detail

- **Solve two entangled problems for localization**
 - Estimate source locations
 - Estimate source signals



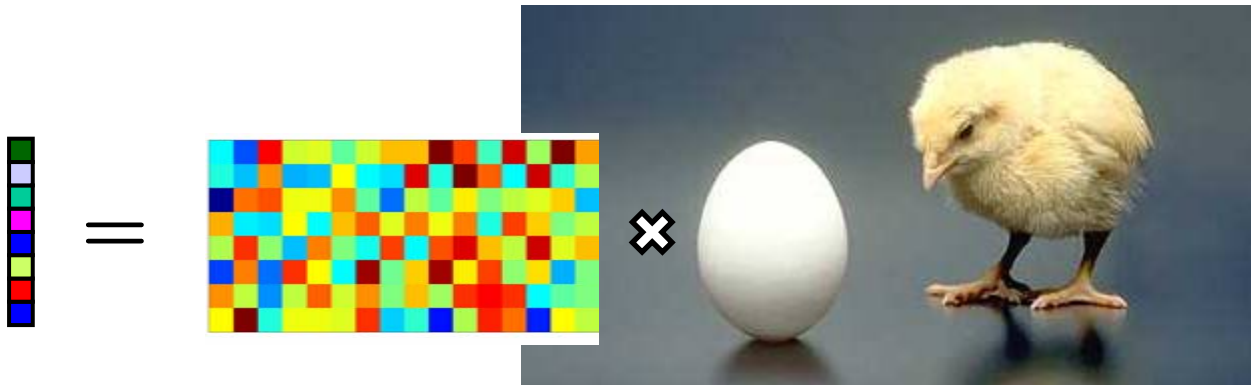
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[VC, Boufounos, Baraniuk, Gilbert, Strauss]

- Bayesian model order selection & MAP estimation results in a **decentralized sparse approximation framework** that leverages

- Source sparsity

- Incoherence of sources

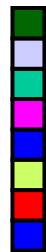
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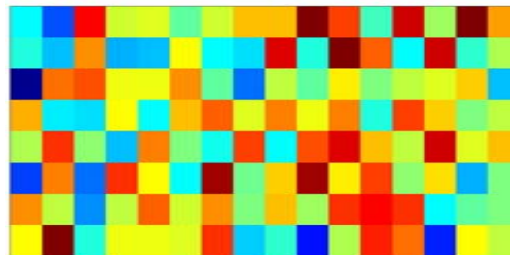
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 - Create intersensor communication messages

(K targets on N -dim grid)

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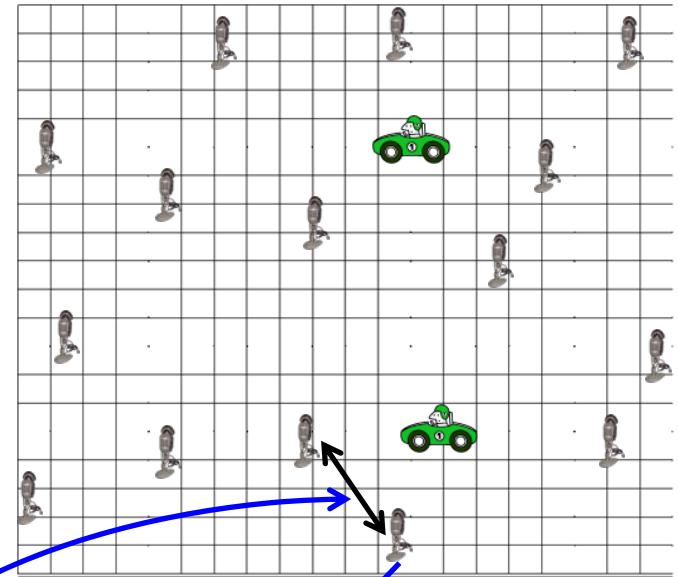


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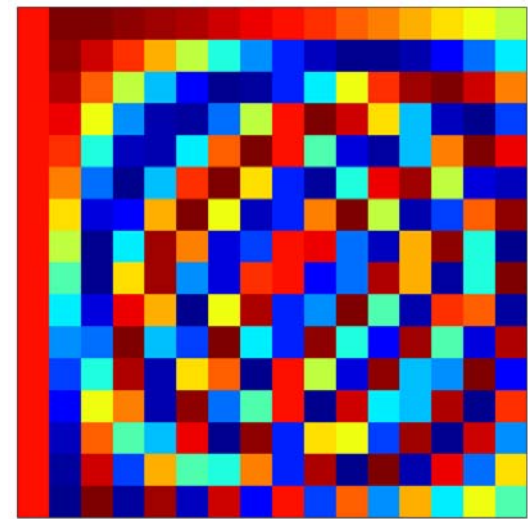
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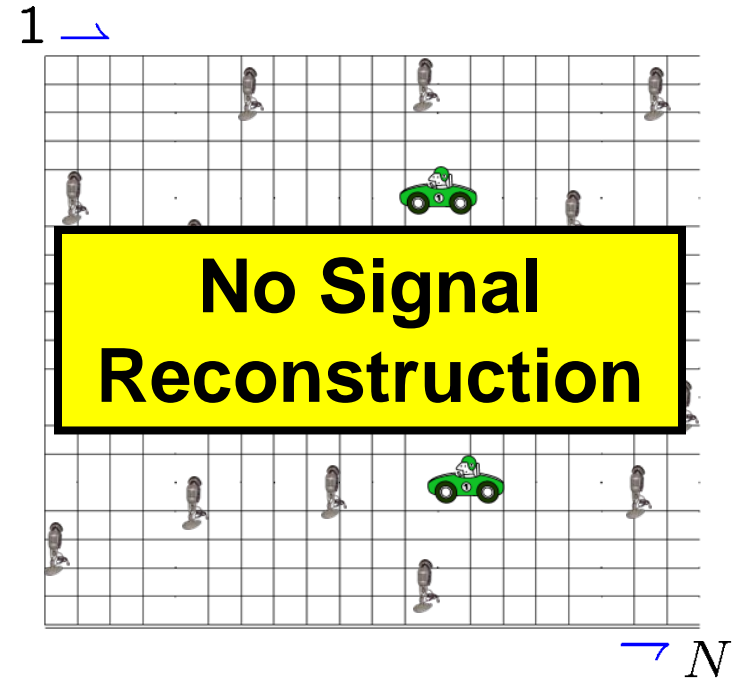
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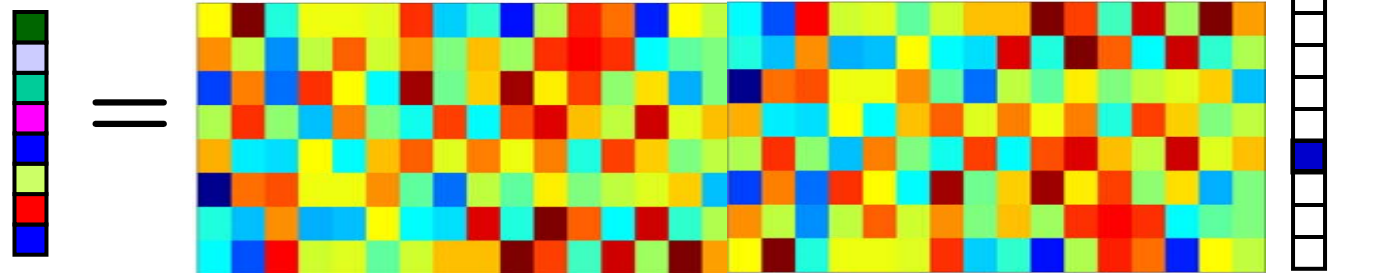
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robust to (i) quantization
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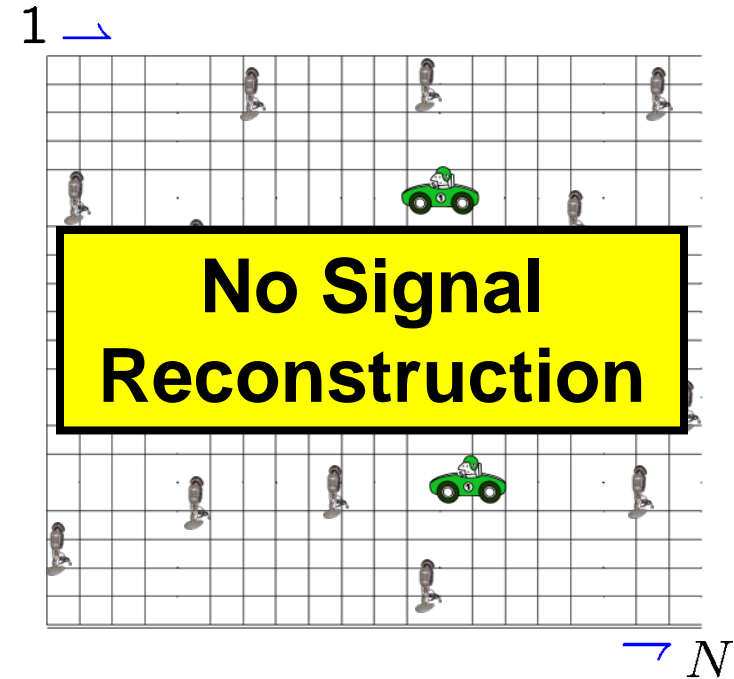
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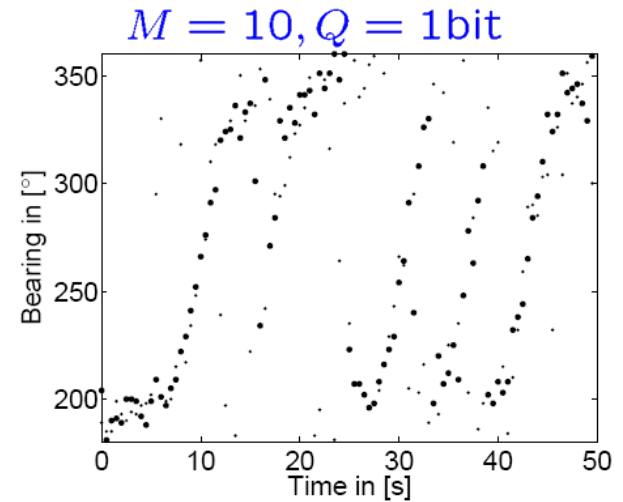
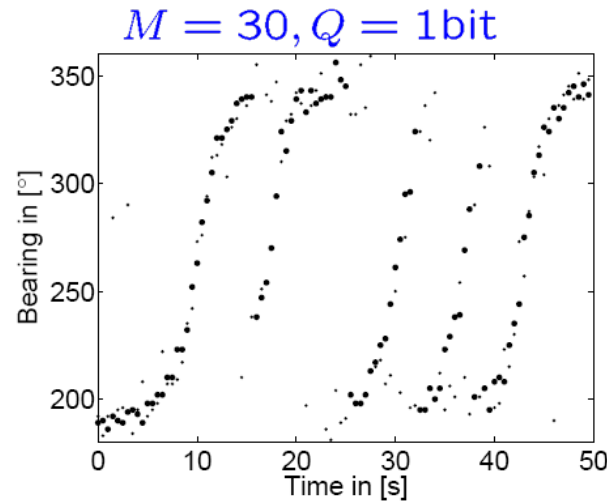
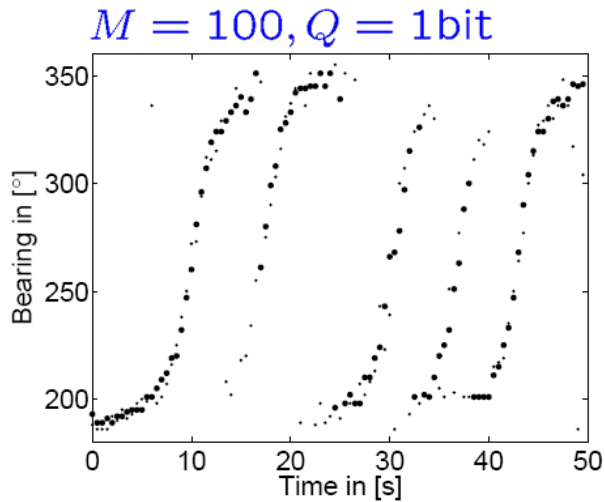
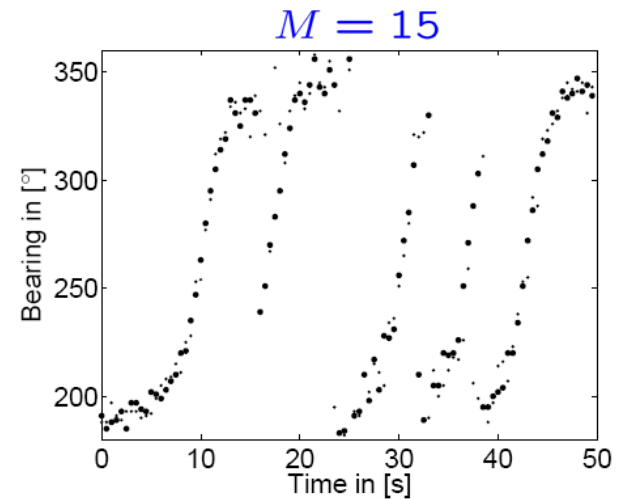
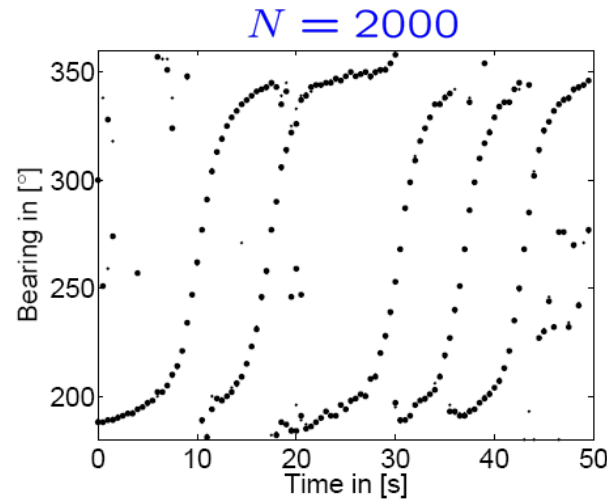
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- Provable greedy estimation for ELVIS dictionaries
Bearing pursuit

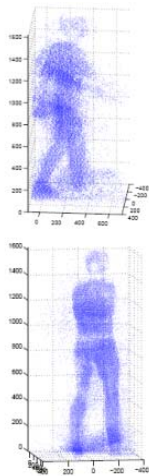
Field Data Results

5 vehicle convoy

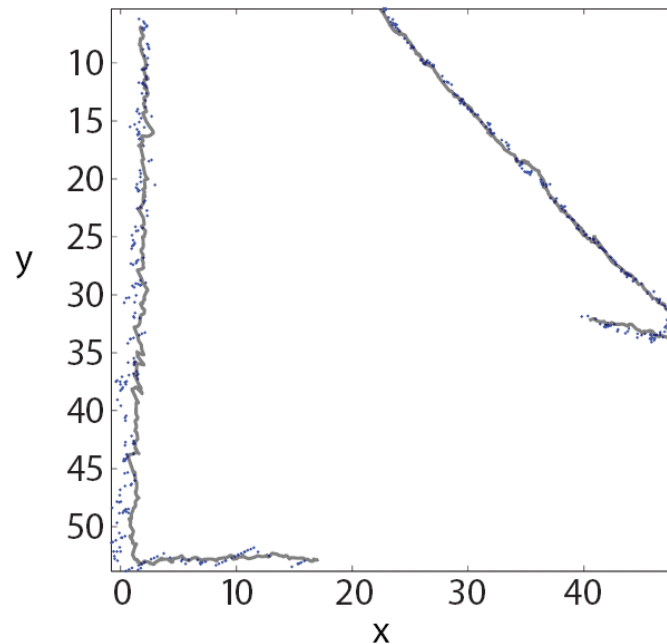


> 100 × sub-Nyquist

Yet Another Application



20% Compression
No performance
loss in tracking



Conclusions

- Why CS works: stable embedding for signals with concise geometric structure
- Sparse signals >> model-sparse signals
- Compressible signals >> model-compressible signals

upshot:

fewer measurements
faster and more stable recovery

new concept:

RAmP

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