

# Computational Harmonic Analysis meets Imaging Sciences Part II

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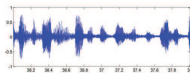
*We start with Feature Extraction!*

# General Challenge in Data Analysis

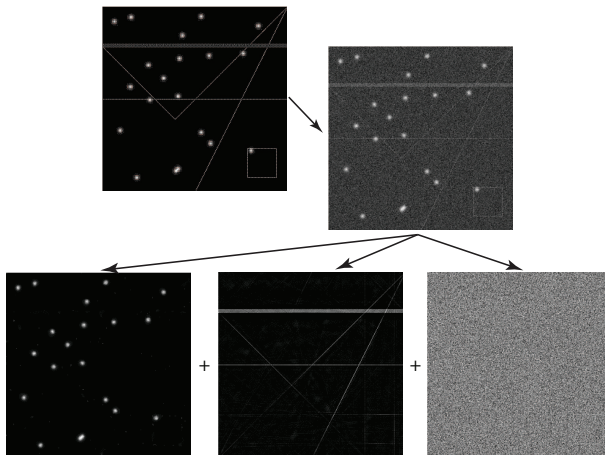
Modern Data in general is often composed of two or more **morphologically distinct** constituents, and we face the task of separating those components given the composed data.

Examples include...

- Audio data: Sinusoids and peaks.
- Imaging data: Cartoon and texture.
- High-dimensional data: Lower-dimensional structures of different dimensions.

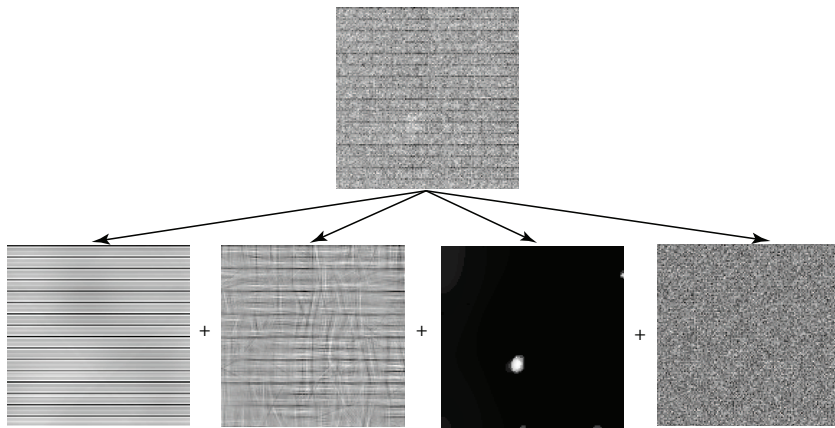


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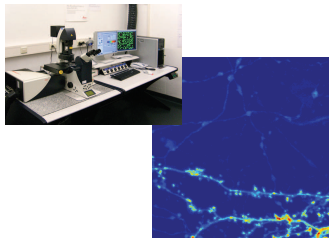


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# Problem from Neurobiology

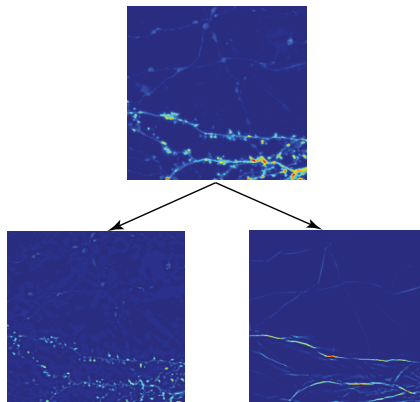
## Alzheimer Research:

- Detection of characteristics of Alzheimer.
- Separation of spines and dendrites.



(Confocal-Laser Scanning-Microscopy)

# Numerical Result



(Source: Brandt, K, Lim, Sündermann; 2010)



*How does Sparse Regularization help  
with Component Separation?*

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## But we have additional Information:

- The two components are geometrically different.

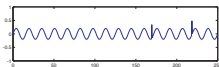
# Birth of $\ell_1$ -Component Separation (2001)

Composition of **Sinusoids** and **Spikes** sampled at  $n$  points:

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where

- $x$ ,  $c_1^0$ , and  $c_2^0$  are  $n \times 1$ .
- $\Phi_1$  is the  $n \times n$ -Fourier matrix ( $(\Phi_1)_{t,k} = e^{2\pi i t k / n}$ ).
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**Theorem (Donoho, Huo; 2001)**

If  $\#(\text{Sinusoids}) + \#(\text{Spikes}) = \|(c_1^0)\|_0 + \|(c_2^0)\|_0 < (1 + \sqrt{n})/2$ , then

$$(c_1^0, c_2^0) = \operatorname{argmin} (\|c_1\|_1 + \|c_2\|_1) \quad \text{subject to } x = \Phi_1 c_1 + \Phi_2 c_2.$$





# Component Separation using Compressed Sensing

Let  $x$  be a signal composed of two subsignals  $x_1^0$  and  $x_2^0$ :

$$x = x_1^0 + x_2^0.$$

Desiderata for two orthonormal bases  $\Phi_1$  and  $\Phi_2$ :

- $x_i^0 = \Phi_i c_i^0$  with  $\|c_i^0\|_0$  small,  $i = 1, 2 \rightsquigarrow$  **Sparsity!**
- $\mu([\Phi_1 | \Phi_2])$  small  $\rightsquigarrow$  **Morphological Difference!**

Solve

$$(c_1^*, c_2^*) = \operatorname{argmin}(\|c_1\|_1 + \|c_2\|_1) \quad \text{subject to} \quad x = \Phi_1 c_1 + \Phi_2 c_2$$

and derive the approximate components

$$x_i^0 \approx x_i^* = \Phi_i c_i^*, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

# Two Paths



# Avalanche of Recent Work

**Problem:** Solve  $x = Ac^0$  with  $A$  an  $n \times N$ -matrix ( $n < N$ ).

**Deterministic World:**

- **Mutual coherence** of  $A = (a_k)_k$ .
- Bound  $\|c^0\|_0$  dependent on  $\mu(A)$ .
- Efficiently solve the problem  $x = Ac^0$ .
- Contributors: *Bruckstein, Cohen, Dahmen, DeVore, Donoho, Elad, Fuchs, Gribonval, Huo, K, Rauhut, Temlyakov, Tropp, ...*

**Random World:**

- **Restricted isometry constants** of a random  $A = (a_k)_k$ .
- Bound  $\|c^0\|_0$  by  $n/(2 \log(N/n))(1 + o(1))$ .
- Efficiently solve the problem  $x = Ac^0$  with high probability.
- Contributors: *Candès, Donoho, Fornasier, K, Krahmer, Rauhut, Romberg, Tanner, Tao, Tropp, Vershynin, Ward, ...*



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## Other results on “structured sparsity”:

- Joint sparsity, fusion frame sparsity, block sparsity, ...
- Contributors: Boufounos, Ehler, Eldar, Gribonval, Fornasier, K, Rauhut, Schnass, Vandergheynst, Vershynin, Ward, ...

*How can these Ideas be applied to  
Separation of Points and Curves?*

# Back to Neurobiological Imaging

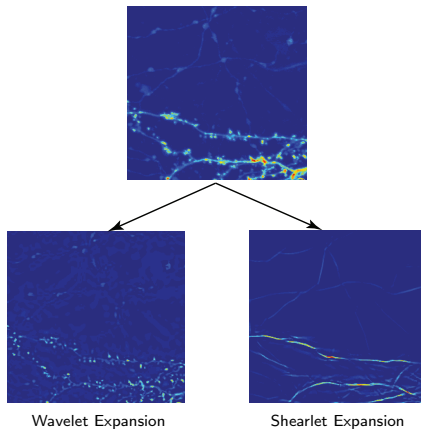
- Two morphologically distinct components:

- ▶ Points
- ▶ Curves



- Choose suitable representation systems which provide optimally sparse representations of
  - ▶ pointlike structures → Wavelets
  - ▶ curvelike structures → Shearlets
- Minimize the  $\ell_1$  norm of the coefficients.
- This forces
  - ▶ the pointlike objects into the wavelet part of the expansion
  - ▶ the curvelike objects into the shearlet part.

# Empirical Separation of Spines and Dendrites



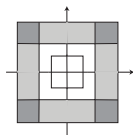
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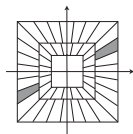
Optimal for Pointlike Structures:

**Orthonormal Wavelets** are a basis with perfectly isotropic generating elements at different scales.



Optimal for Curvelike Structures:

**Shearlets** (K, Labate; 2006) are a highly directional frame with increasingly anisotropic elements at fine scales (→ [www.ShearLab.org](http://www.ShearLab.org)).



# Microlocal Model

Neurobiological Geometric Mixture in 2D:



Point Singularity:

$$\mathcal{P}(x) = \sum_{i=1}^P |x - x_i|^{-3/2}$$

Curvilinear Singularity:

$$\mathcal{C} = \int \delta_{\tau(t)} dt, \quad \tau \text{ a closed } C^2\text{-curve.}$$

Observed Signal:

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# Scale-Dependent Decomposition

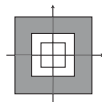
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Subband Decomposition:

Wavelets and shearlets use the same scaling subbands!

$$f_j = \mathcal{P}_j + \mathcal{C}_j, \quad \mathcal{P}_j = \mathcal{P} \star F_j \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{C}_j = \mathcal{C} \star F_j.$$



$\ell_1$ -Decomposition:

$$(W_j, S_j) = \operatorname{argmin} \|(\langle W_j, \psi_\lambda \rangle)_\lambda\|_1 + \|(\langle S_j, \sigma_\eta \rangle)_\eta\|_1 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad f_j = W_j + S_j$$

# Asymptotic Separation

Theorem (Donoho, K; 2013)

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*At all sufficiently fine scales, nearly-perfect separation is achieved!*

# Analysis of Decomposition within one Scale

Signal Model:

$$x = x_1^0 + x_2^0 \in \mathcal{H}$$

Remarks:

- Given two Parseval frames  $\Phi_1, \Phi_2$  ( $\Phi_i(\Phi_i^T x) = x$  for all  $x$ ).
- Too many decompositions  $x = \Phi_1 c_1 + \Phi_2 c_2$ .
- Use  $x = \Phi_1(\Phi_1^T x_1) + \Phi_2(\Phi_2^T x_2)$ , where  $x = x_1 + x_2$ .
- Norm is placed on **analysis** rather than **synthesis** side.

Decomposition Technique:

$$(x_1^*, x_2^*) = \operatorname{argmin}_{x_1, x_2} \|\Phi_1^T x_1\|_1 + \|\Phi_2^T x_2\|_1 \text{ subject to } x = x_1 + x_2$$

# Relative Sparsity and Cluster Coherence

Let  $\Phi_1 = (\varphi_{1,i})_{i \in I_1}$  and  $\Phi_2 = (\varphi_{2,i})_{i \in I_2}$ .

Definition:

- For each  $i = 1, 2$ ,  $x_i^0$  is **relatively sparse** in  $\Phi_i$  w.r.t.  $\Lambda_i$ , if

$$\|1_{\Lambda_1^c} \Phi_1^T x_1^0\|_1 + \|1_{\Lambda_2^c} \Phi_2^T x_2^0\|_1 \leq \delta.$$

We call  $\Lambda_1$  and  $\Lambda_2$  **sets of significant coefficients**.

- We define **cluster coherence** for  $\Lambda_1$  by

$$\mu_c(\Lambda_1) = \max_{j \in I_2} \sum_{i \in \Lambda_1} |\langle \varphi_{1,i}, \varphi_{2,j} \rangle|.$$

# Central Estimate

Theorem (Donoho, K; 2013):

Suppose  $x_1^0$  and  $x_2^0$  are relatively sparse with  $\Lambda_1$  and  $\Lambda_2$  sets of significant coefficients. Then

$$\|x_1^* - x_1^0\|_2 + \|x_2^* - x_2^0\|_2 \leq \frac{2\delta}{1 - 2\mu_c},$$

where

$$\mu_c = \max(\mu_c(\Lambda_1), \mu_c(\Lambda_2)).$$

- $\delta$ : Relative sparsity measure.
- $\mu_c$ : Cluster coherence.

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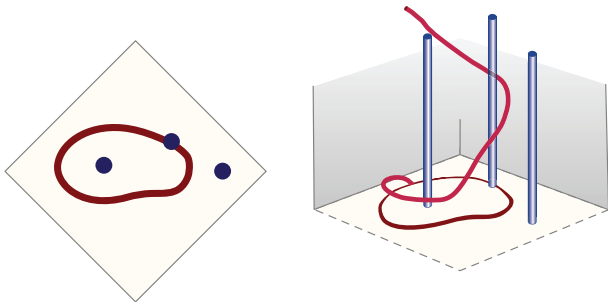
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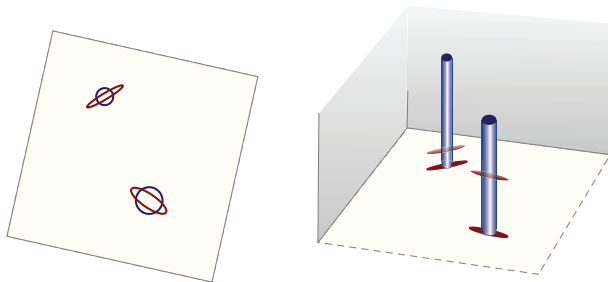
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# Singular Support and Wavefront Set of $\mathcal{P}$ and $\mathcal{C}$

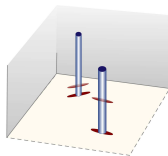
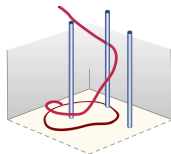


# Phase Space Portrait of Wavelets and Shearlets



# Cluster Coherence

- Wavelets in  $\Lambda_1 \approx$  vertical tubes clustering around the point singularities of  $\mathcal{P}$ .
- Shearlets in  $\Lambda_2 \approx$  tubes clustering around the curvilinear phase portrait of  $\mathcal{C}$ .
- Single wavelet is incoherent with ensemble of shearlets in  $\Lambda_2$ .
- Single shearlet is incoherent with ensemble of wavelets in  $\Lambda_1$ .



# Key Idea from Microlocal Analysis

- Hart Smith's Phase Space Metric:

$$d((s, t); (s', t')) = |\langle e_s, t - t' \rangle| + |\langle e_{s'}, t - t' \rangle| + |t - t'|^2 + |s - s'|^2.$$

- 'Approximate' Sets of Significant Wavelet Coefficients:

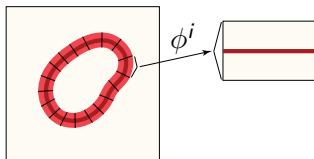
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# Analysis of the Curvilinear Part

- The diffeomorphism  $\phi^i$



allows us to perform computations for distribution  $\mathcal{L}_w$ :

$$\langle \mathcal{L}_w, f \rangle = \int_{-\rho}^{\rho} w(t) f(t, 0) dt.$$

- Use linear operator  $M_{\phi^i}$  for transformation; use the 'model'

$$|M_{\phi^i}(\eta, \eta')| \leq c_N \cdot 2^{|j-j'|} (1 + \min(2^j, 2^{j'}) \cdot d((s, t), \chi_{\phi^i}(s', t')))^{-N}$$

## Proposition:

- $(\Lambda_{1,j})$  and  $(\Lambda_{2,j})$  have the following two properties:
  - ▶ asymptotically negligible **cluster coherences**:

$$\mu_c(\Lambda_{1,j}), \mu_c(\Lambda_{2,j}) \rightarrow 0, \quad j \rightarrow \infty.$$

- ▶ asymptotically negligible **cluster approximation errors**:

$$\delta_j = \delta_{1,j} + \delta_{2,j} = o(\|\mathcal{P}_j\|_2 + \|\mathcal{C}_j\|_2), \quad j \rightarrow \infty.$$

# Asymptotic Separation

Application of the abstract separation estimate then implies:

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*Recovery of Fourier Data*  
*or: Fast Data Acquisition in MRI*

# Fourier Sampling

## Important Situation:

*Pointwise Samples of the Fourier transform!*

## Applications:

- Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI)
- Electron Microscopy
- Fourier Optics
- X-ray Computed Tomography
- Reflection Seismology
- ...

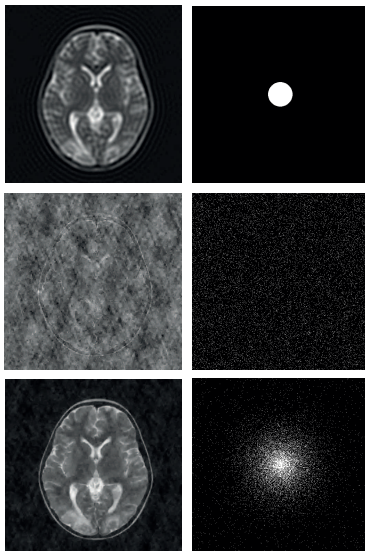
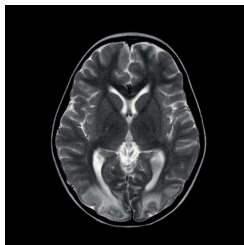


## Common Model:

Let  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  with additional regularity assumptions, and  $\Delta \subseteq \mathbb{Z}^2$ .  
Reconstruct  $f$  from

$$(\hat{f}(n))_{n \in \Delta} = (\langle f, e_n \rangle)_{n \in \Delta}, \quad e_n(x) := e^{2\pi i \langle x, n \rangle}.$$

# Sampling of Fourier Data



(Source: Lim; 2014)

# General Sampling Strategy

- Fourier measurements:

$$f \mapsto (\langle f, e_n \rangle)_{n \in \Delta}.$$

- Orthonormal basis:

$$\{\psi_\lambda\}_{\lambda \in \Lambda}.$$

- Sparse representation:

$$f = \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda} c_\lambda \psi_\lambda.$$

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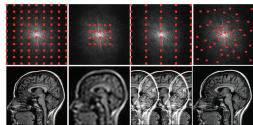


# Compressed Sensing Type Approaches

- Lustig, Donoho, Pauly; 2007

↪ Sparse MRI: Spirals,  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ , Wavelets,  $\ell_1$ .

$$\min_g \|\Psi g\|_1 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|\hat{g}|_\Delta - \hat{f}|_\Delta\|_2 \leq \varepsilon.$$



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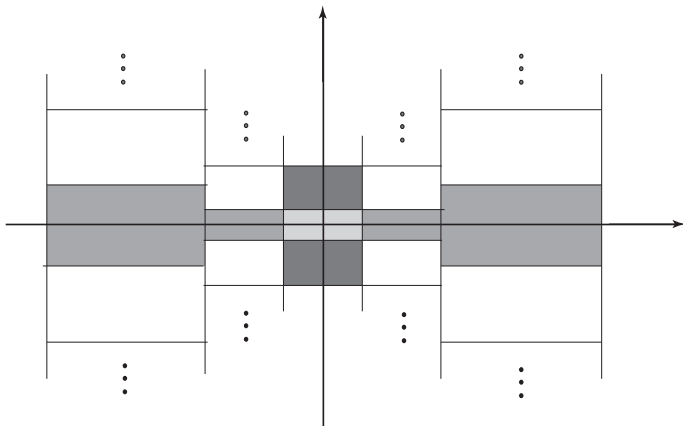
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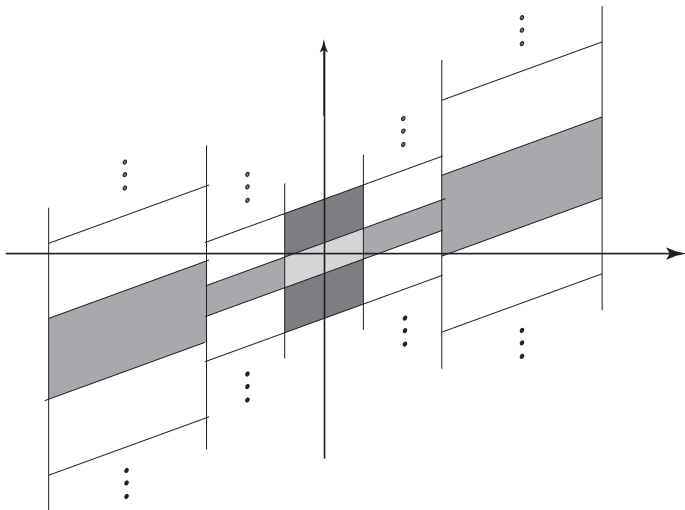
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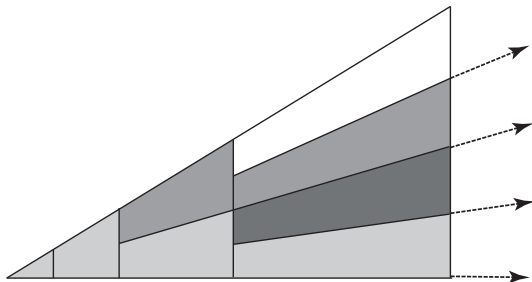
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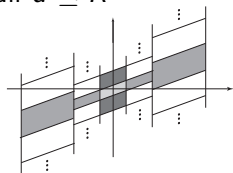
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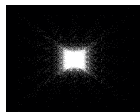
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$$\left\| f - \sum_{s \in \mathbb{S}_{J/2}} \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{J,s}} \hat{c}_\lambda \tilde{\psi}_\lambda \right\|_2^2 \lesssim 2^{-J(1-13\rho/2)} \text{ as } J \rightarrow \infty.$$



# Sparse Sampling Strategy

Theorem (K, Lim; 2015):

Let  $f$  be a cartoon-like function which is  $C^{2,r}$ ,  $r \in [\frac{1}{4}, 1)$  smooth apart from a  $C^2$ -discontinuity curve of non-vanishing curvature. Further, let

- $\rho > 0$  be fixed (regularity),
- $J > 0$  be 'sufficiently large' (limiting scale),
- $y_s := \left( \sqrt{p_s(n_{s,\ell})}^{-1} \langle P_J^s(\bar{\Theta}_s * f), e_{n_{s,\ell}} \rangle \right)_{\ell=1, \dots, L_s}$ , (measurements),
- $\Phi_s := \left( \sqrt{p_s(n_{s,\ell})}^{-1} \langle \gamma_{j,m}^s, e_{n_{s,\ell}} \rangle \right)_{(j,m) \in \Lambda_{J,s}, \ell=1, \dots, L_s}$  (sampling matrix).

For each  $s \in \mathbb{S}_{J/2}$ ,  $(\sum_{s \in \mathbb{S}_{J/2}} L_s \lesssim J 2^{J/2(1+2\rho)} =: N)$

$$(\hat{c}_\lambda)_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{J,s}} = \operatorname{argmin}_c \|c\|_1 \text{ subject to } \Phi_s c = y_s,$$

Then with probability at least  $1 - 2^{-J}$ ,  $\rightsquigarrow$  Asymptotic Optimality!

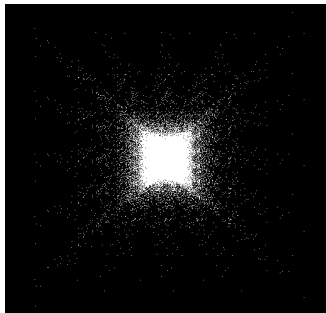
$$\left\| f - \sum_{s \in \mathbb{S}_{J/2}} \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda_{J,s}} \hat{c}_\lambda \tilde{\psi}_\lambda \right\|_2^2 \lesssim 2^{-J(1-13\rho/2)} (= O(N^{-2+C\rho})) \text{ as } J \rightarrow \infty.$$



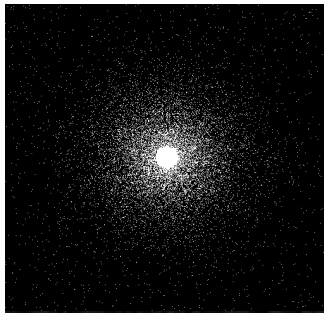
# *Numerical Experiments*



# Sampling Schemes

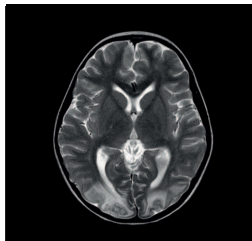


Directional Sampling Scheme

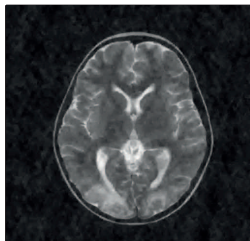


Variable Density Sampling Scheme

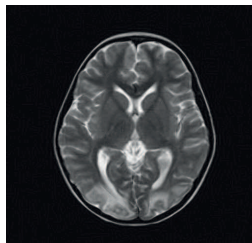
# Numerical Results for 512x512 MRI Image



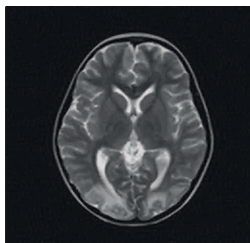
Original



Wavelets + Variable Density Sampling  
(5% sampling rate, 24.9969dB)



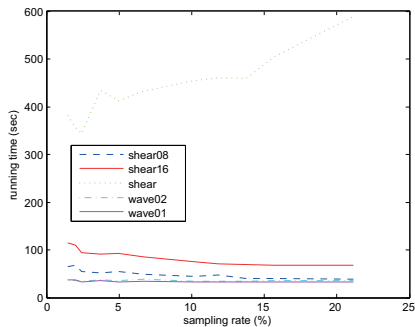
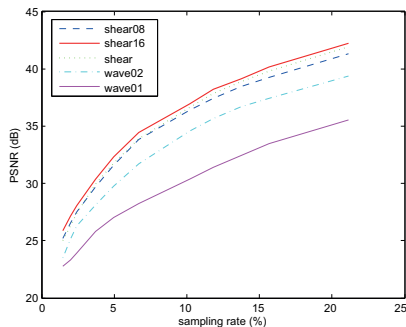
Shearlet Scheme  
(5% sampling rate, 32.2845dB)



Wavelets + Directional Sampling  
(5% sampling rate, 29.8138dB)



# Approximation Curves for 512x512 MRI Image



- **shear08**: Directional sampling scheme with 8 directional filters.
- **shear16**: Directional sampling scheme with 16 directional filters.
- **shear**: Directional sampling scheme with (normal) shearlets.
- **wave02**: Directional sampling scheme with wavelets.
- **wave01**: Variable density sampling scheme with wavelets.

*Let's conclude...*

# What to take Home...?

- Computational harmonic analysis and sparse approximation are a powerful combination to solve ill-posed inverse problems in imaging.
- Such a sparse regularization approach allows also precise theoretical results.
- We discussed the following inverse problems:
  - ▶ Feature Extraction
  - ▶ Magnetic Resonance Imaging
- Further applications include:
  - ▶ Inpainting
  - ▶ Edge Detection
  - ▶ ...

# THANK YOU!

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