

# Compressive Imaging: Theory and Practice

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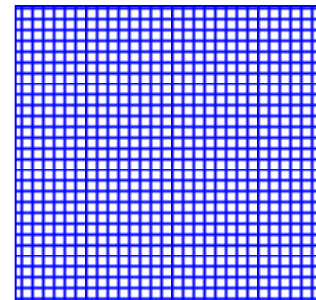
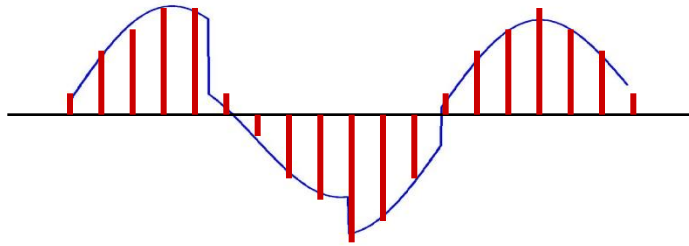
# Digital Revolution



# Digital Acquisition

- Foundation: ***Shannon sampling theorem***

Must sample at 2x highest frequency of the signal (Nyquist rate)

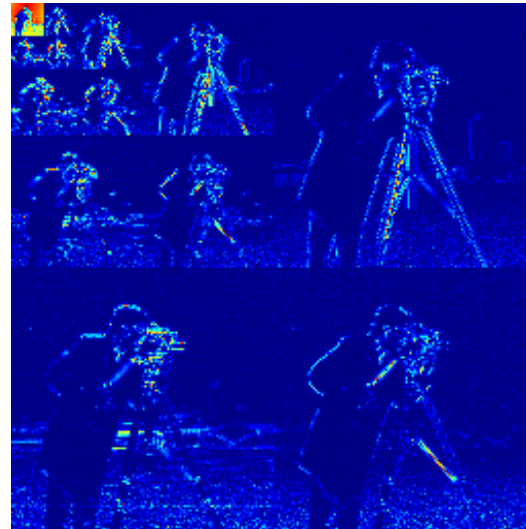


- Time: A/D converters, receivers, ...
- Space: cameras, imaging systems, ...
- High-frequency content = **lots of samples...**

# Sparsity

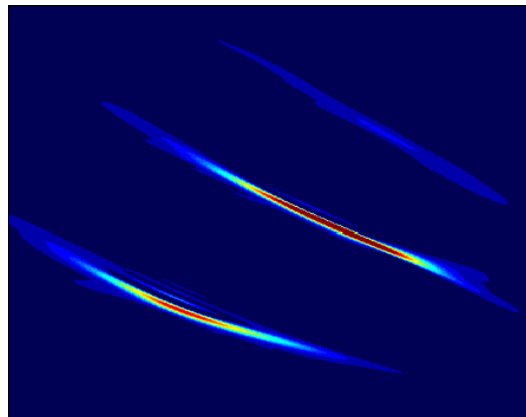
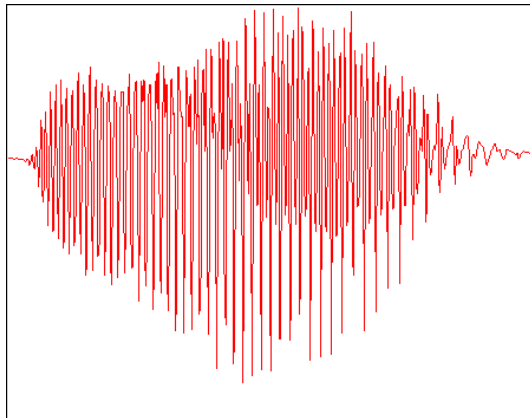
- Many signals can be ***compressed*** in some representation/basis (Fourier, wavelets, ...)

$N$   
pixels



$K \ll N$   
large  
wavelet  
coefficients

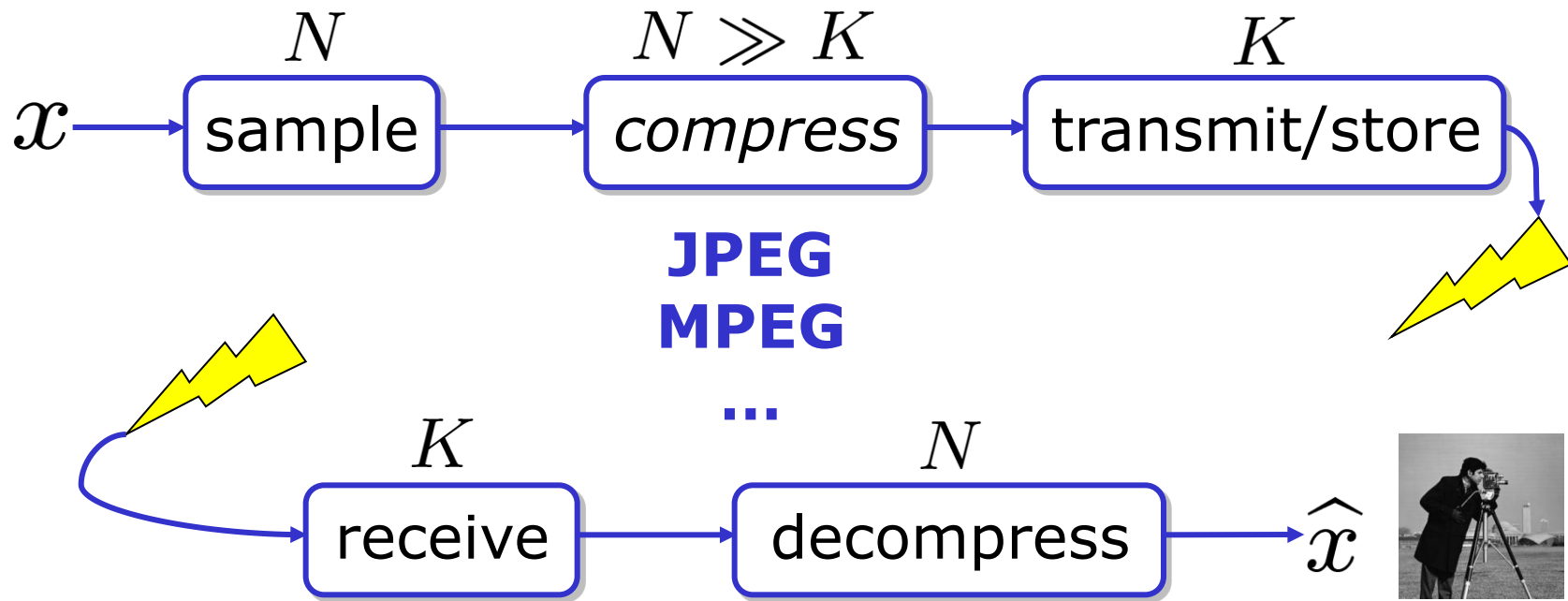
$N$   
wideband  
signal  
samples



$K \ll N$   
large  
Gabor  
coefficients

# Sensing by *Sampling*

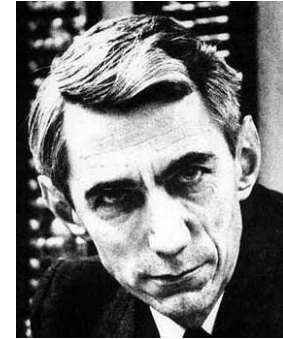
- Standard paradigm for digital data acquisition
  - **sample** data (ADC, digital camera, ...)
  - **compress** data (signal-dependent, nonlinear)



- Sample-and-compress paradigm is **wasteful**
  - samples cost \$\$\$ and/or time

# From Samples to *Measurements*

- Shannon was a *pessimist*
  - worst case bound for *any* bandlimited signal



- ***Compressive sensing***

[Candes, Romberg, Tao; Donoho – 2004]

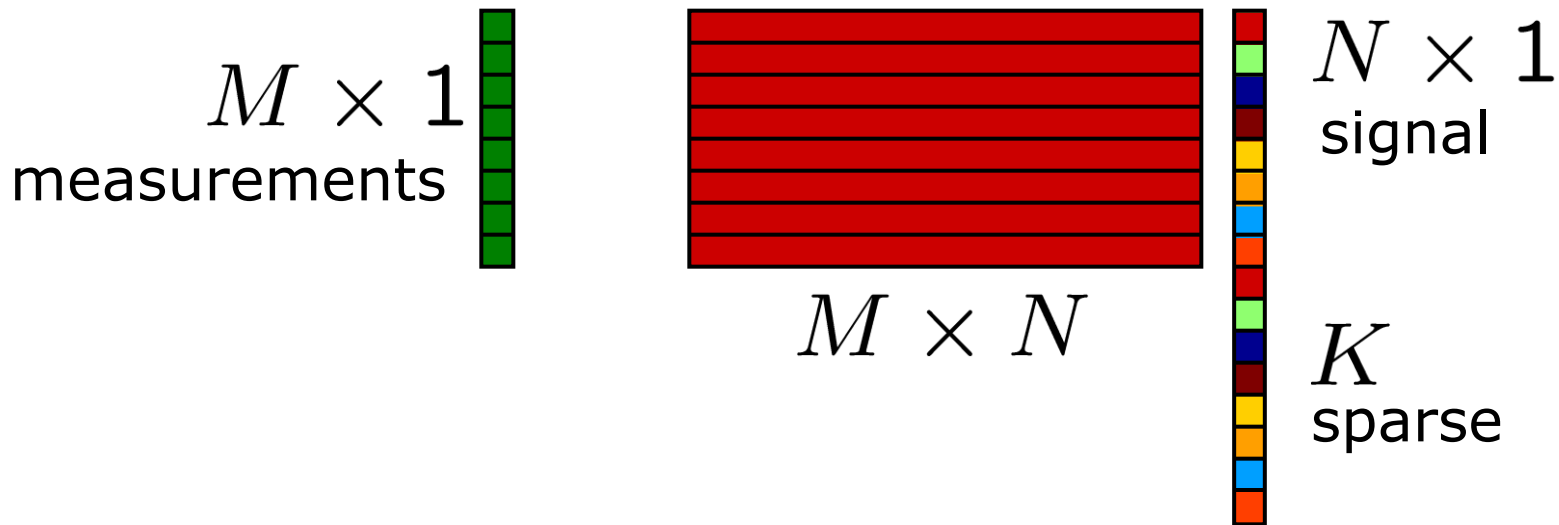
- generalize “samples” to linear “measurements”
- incorporate prior knowledge about the signal (sparsity)

**Goal:** Take as few measurements as possible while retaining the ability to accurately recover the signal from the measurements.

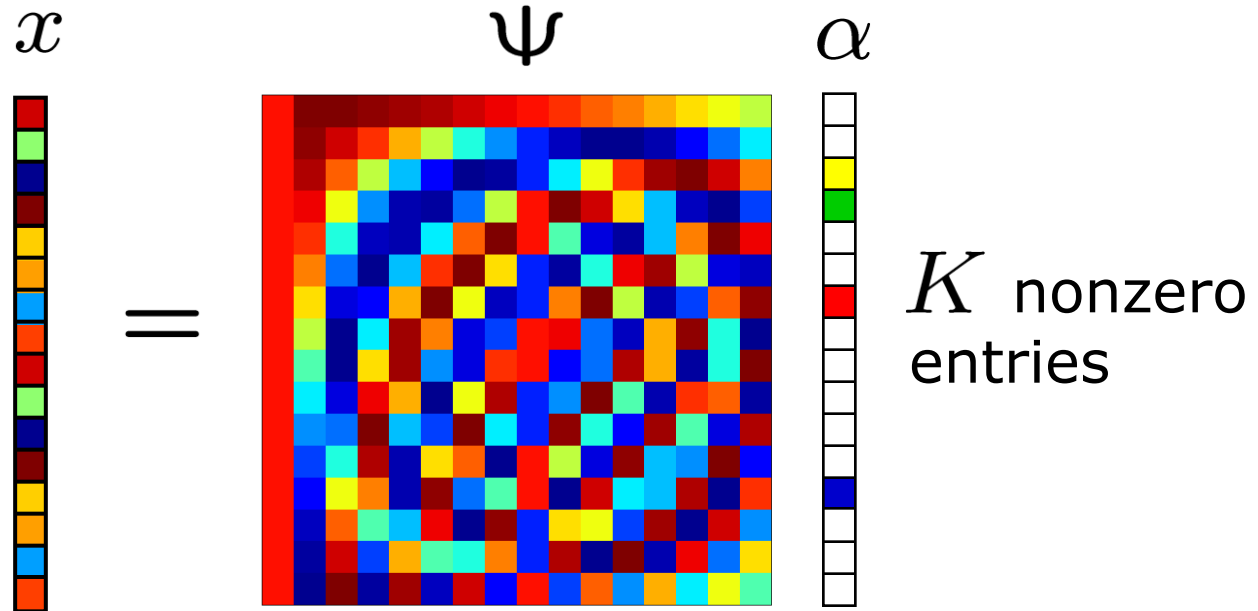
# Compressive Sensing

Replace samples with *linear measurements*

$$y = \Phi x$$



# Sparsity

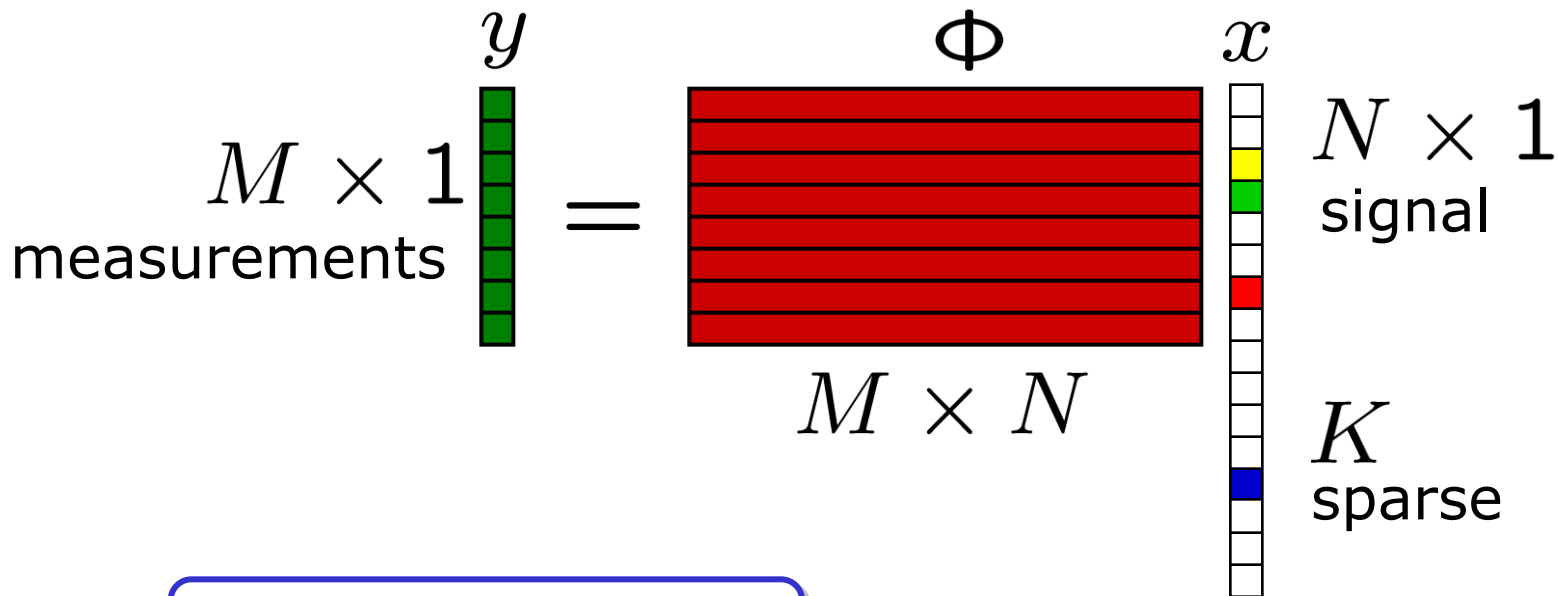


- For now: Assume  $\Psi = I$



# Compressive Sensing

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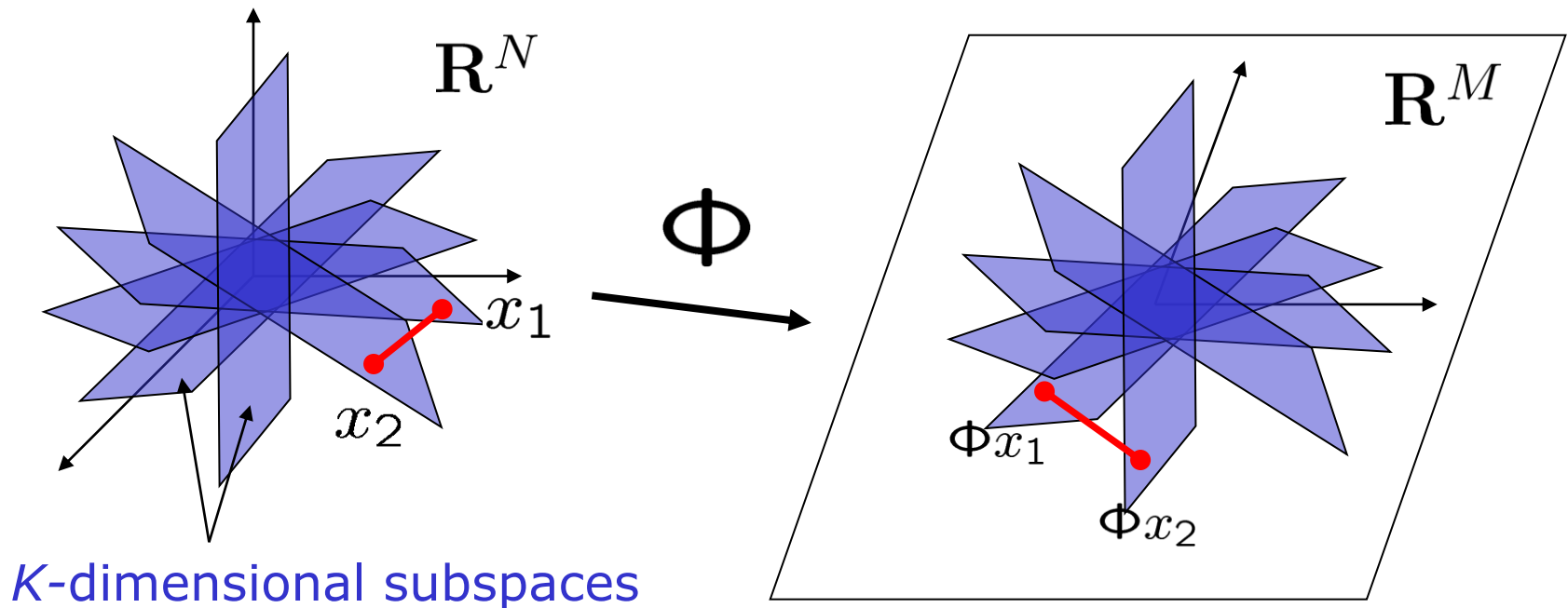


$$K < M \ll N$$

# Restricted Isometry Property (RIP)

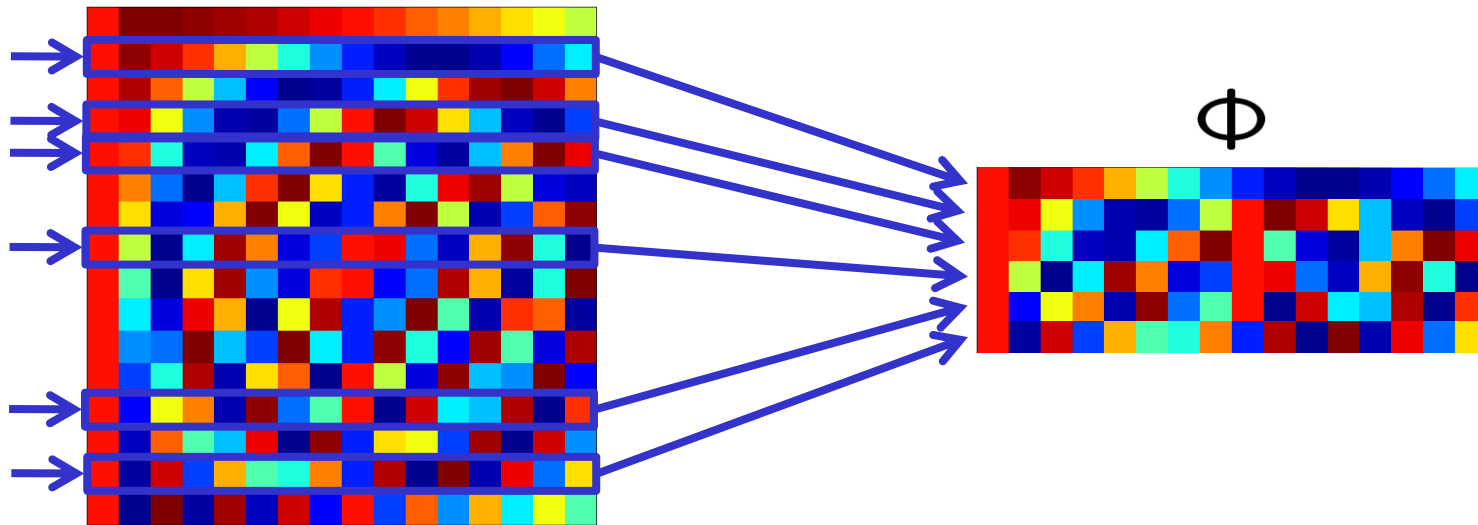
- Preserve the structure of sparse signals
- For all  $K$ -sparse  $x_1$  and  $x_2$

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



# RIP Matrix: Option 1

- Random Fourier submatrix:



- If the rows are selected at random with

$$M \geq CK \log^4(N)$$

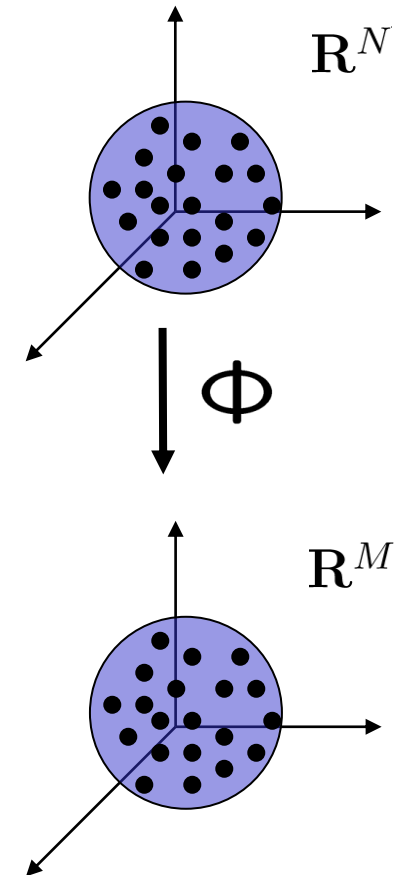
then with high probability,  $\Phi$  will satisfy the RIP  
[Candes and Tao]

# RIP Matrix: Option 2

- Pick  $\Phi$  at *random*
  - i.i.d. Gaussian
  - i.i.d. Bernouli
  - *any* bounded random variable

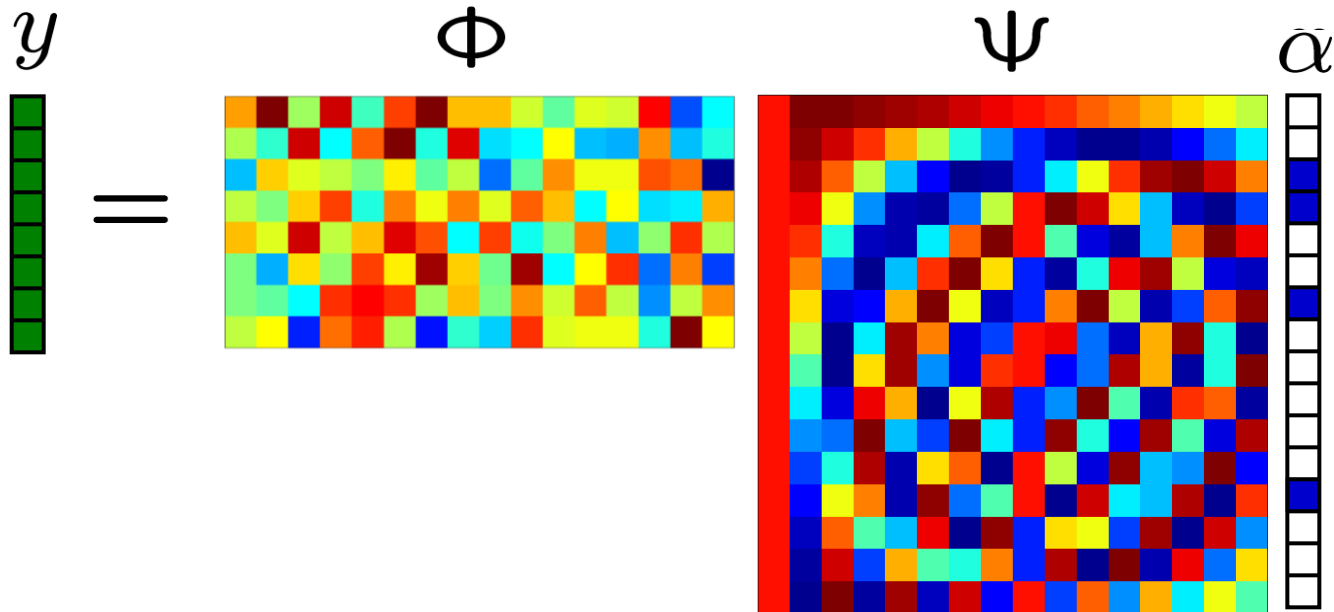
$$M \geq CK \log(N/K)$$

- Proof relies on concentration of measure [Baraniuk, Davenport, DeVore, Wakin]
  - fix a  $2K$ -dimensional subspace
  - pick a finite sampling of points on the sphere
  - repeat for all  $\binom{N}{2K}$  subspaces
  - argue that  $\Phi$  preserves the norm of each point
  - extend from point set to entire sphere



# Universality

- Random matrix will work with **any** fixed orthonormal basis (with high probability)

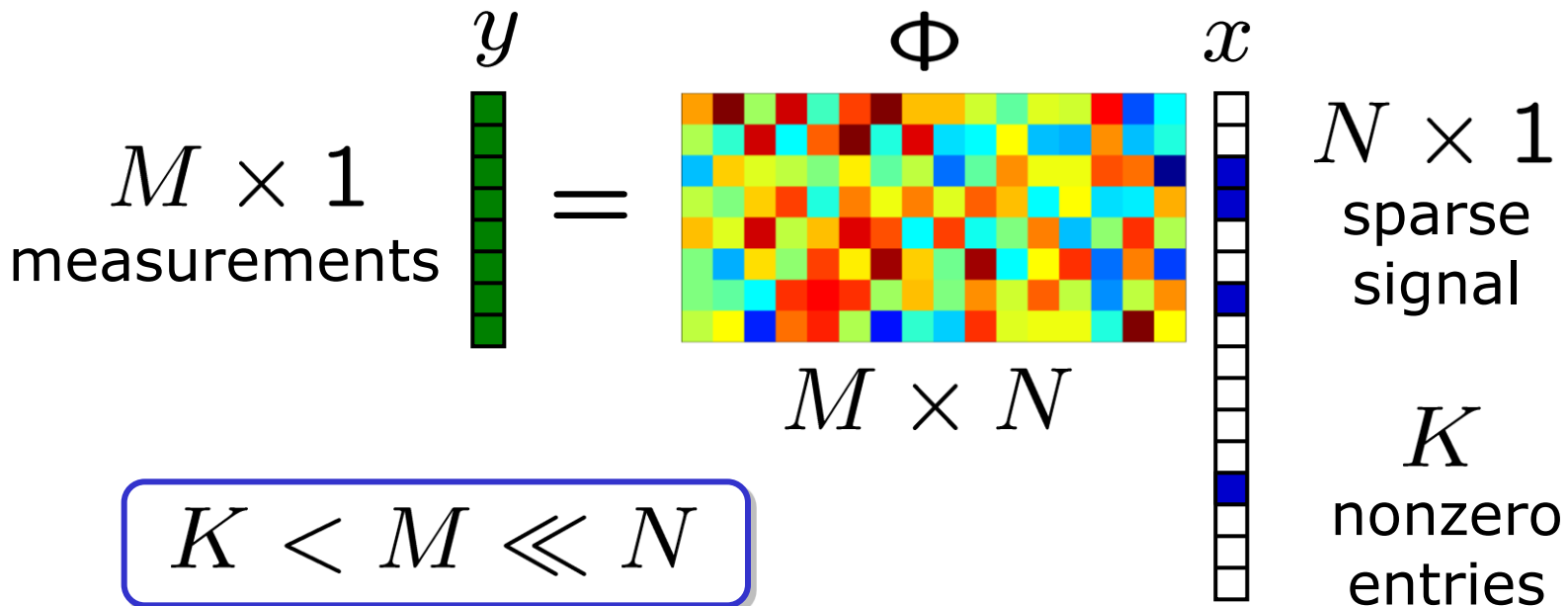


# Signal Recovery

- Reconstruction/decoding:

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{given } y = \Phi x \\ \text{find } x \end{array}$$

ill-posed  
inverse problem



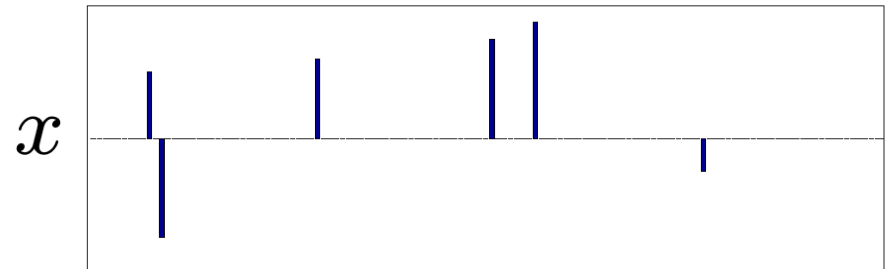
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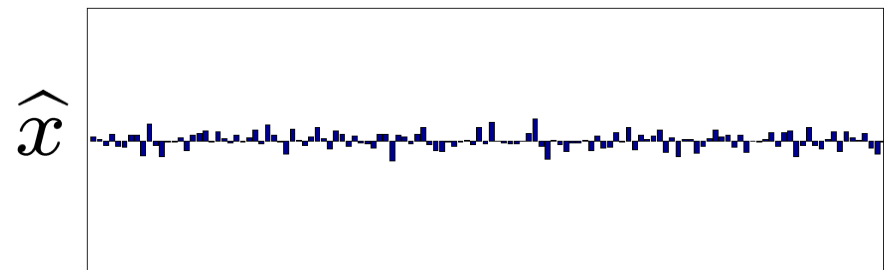
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- $\mathbf{L}_2$ :  $\hat{x} = \arg \min_{y=\Phi x} \|x\|_2 \longrightarrow \hat{x} = (\Phi^T \Phi)^{-1} \Phi^T y$

- Fast, but *wrong*



- Solution is  
*almost never* sparse



# Signal Recovery

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(ill-posed inverse problem)

given  $y = \Phi x$   
find  $x$

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- $\mathbf{L}_0$ :  $\hat{x} = \arg \min_{y=\Phi x} \|x\|_0$

*number of  
nonzero  
entries*

- Correct, but *slow* (NP-Hard)



# Signal Recovery

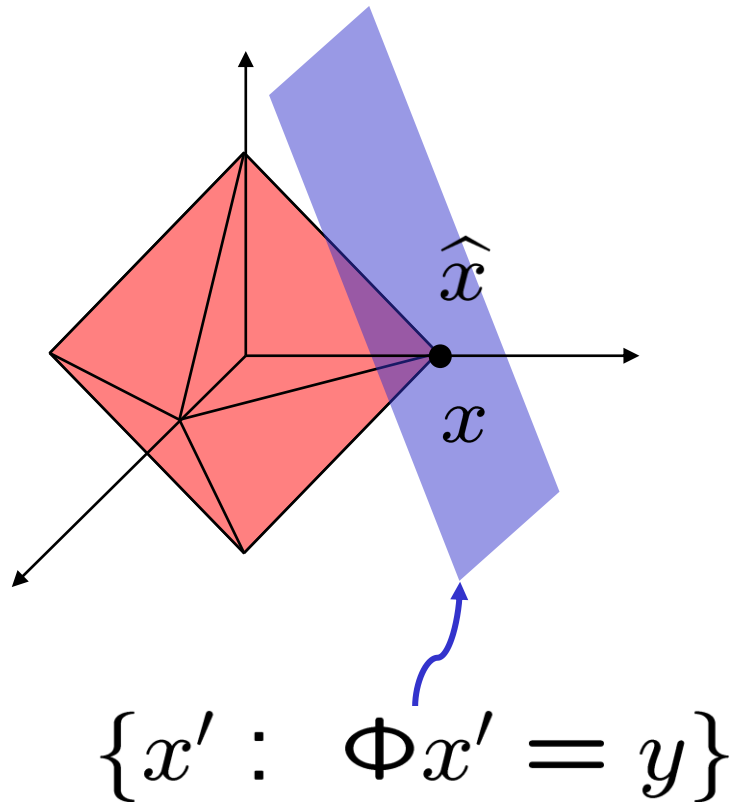
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- $\mathbf{L}_0$ :  $\hat{x} = \arg \min_{y=\Phi x} \|x\|_0$
- $\mathbf{L}_1$ :  $\hat{x} = \arg \min_{y=\Phi x} \|x\|_1$  ← *linear program*
- If  $\Phi$  satisfies the RIP,  $\mathbf{L}_1$  gives same answer as  $\mathbf{L}_0$

# Why $L_1$ Works

$$\hat{x} = \arg \min_{y=\Phi x'} \|x'\|_1$$



# Recovery in Noise

- What about noise, or robustness to non-sparse signals?

$$y = \Phi x + e$$

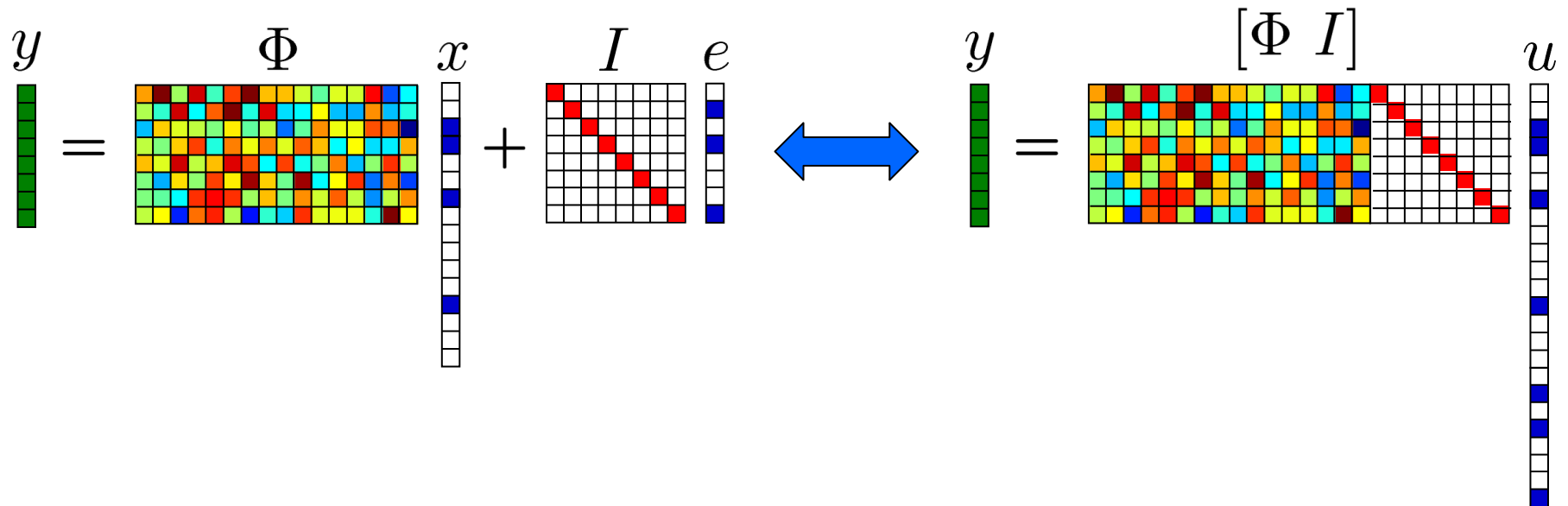
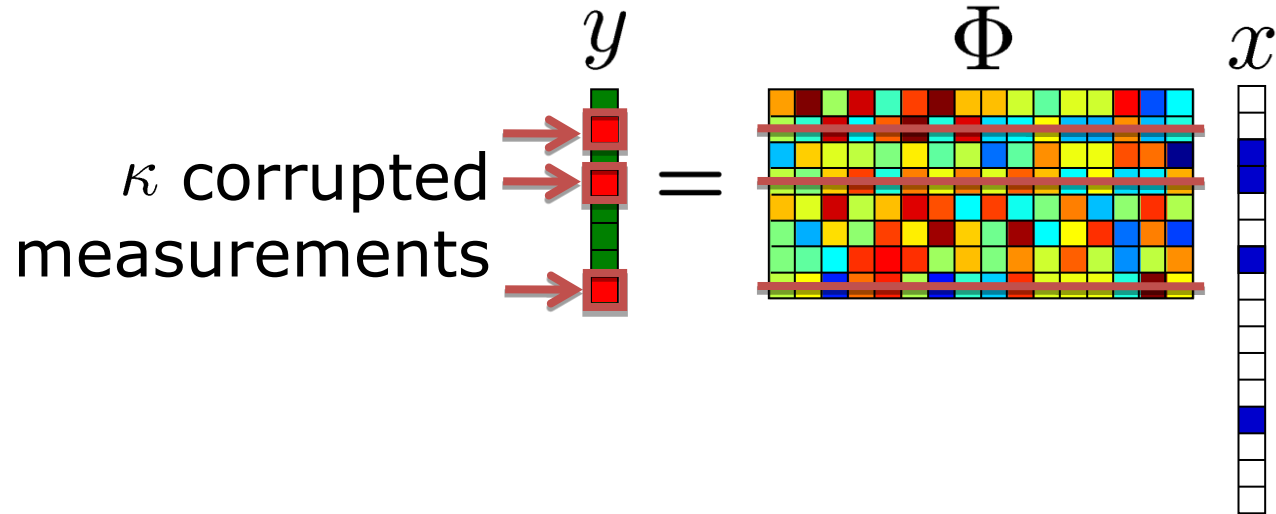
$$\hat{x} = \arg \min_{\|y - \Phi x'\|_2 \leq \epsilon} \|x'\|_1$$

$$\|\hat{x} - x\|_2 \leq C_0 \|e\|_2 + C_1 \frac{\|x - x_K\|_1}{\sqrt{K}}$$

# Compressive Sensing Hallmarks

- **Asymmetrical**
  - no processing at encoder
  - significant processing at decoder
- **Universal**
  - random projections / hardware can be designed and used without prior knowledge of the sparsifying basis
- **Democratic**
  - each measurement carries the same amount of information
  - simple encoding
  - robust to measurement loss and quantization

# Democracy and Sparse Noise



# Justice Pursuit

$$\hat{u} = \arg \min_u \|u\|_1$$

$$\text{s.t. } y = [\Phi \ I] u$$

**Theorem:** If  $\Phi$  is a subGaussian matrix with

$$M = O \left( (K + \kappa) \log \left( \frac{N + M}{K + \kappa} \right) \right)$$

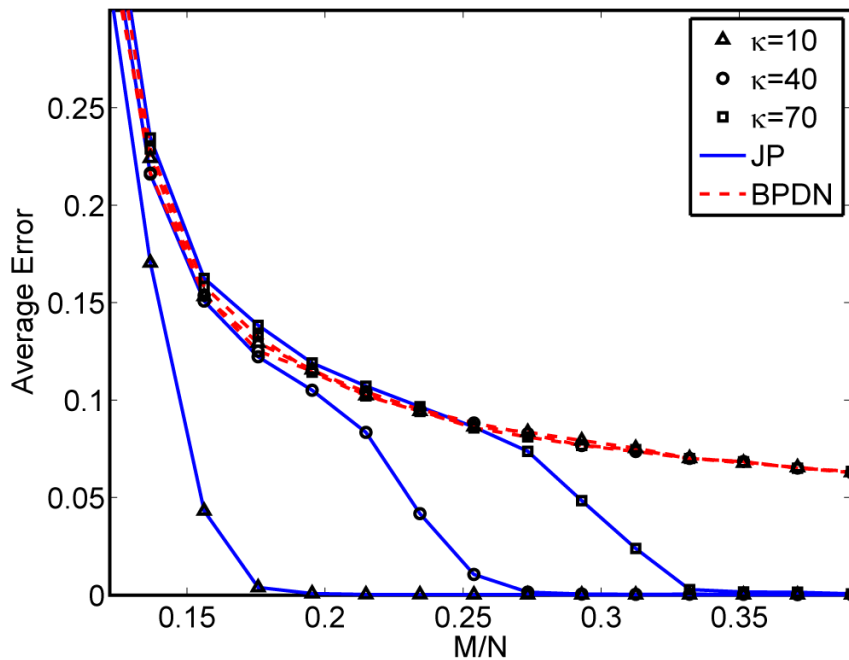
then  $[\Phi \ I]$  satisfies the RIP of order  $(K + \kappa)$  with probability at least  $1 - 3e^{-CM}$ .

[Laska, Davenport, Baraniuk]

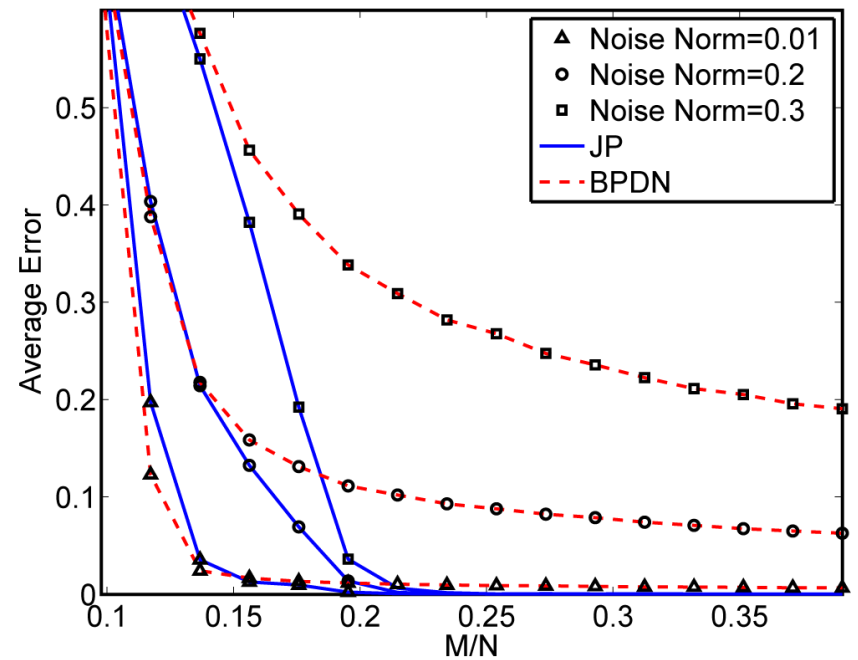
# Justice Pursuit

- We can recover sparse signals *exactly* in the presence of *unbounded* sparse noise

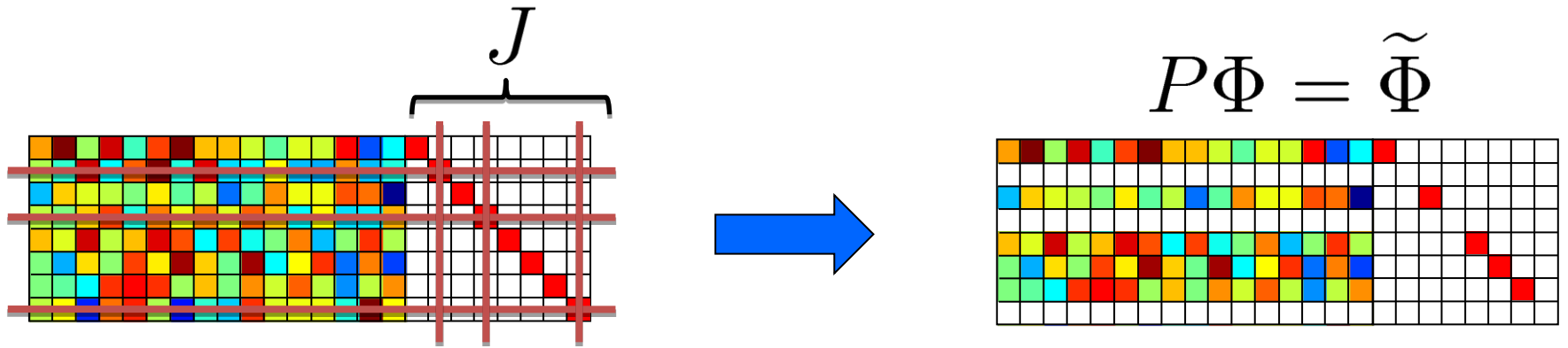
Fixed  $\|e\|_2 = 0.1$



Fixed  $\kappa = 10$



# Justice and Democracy



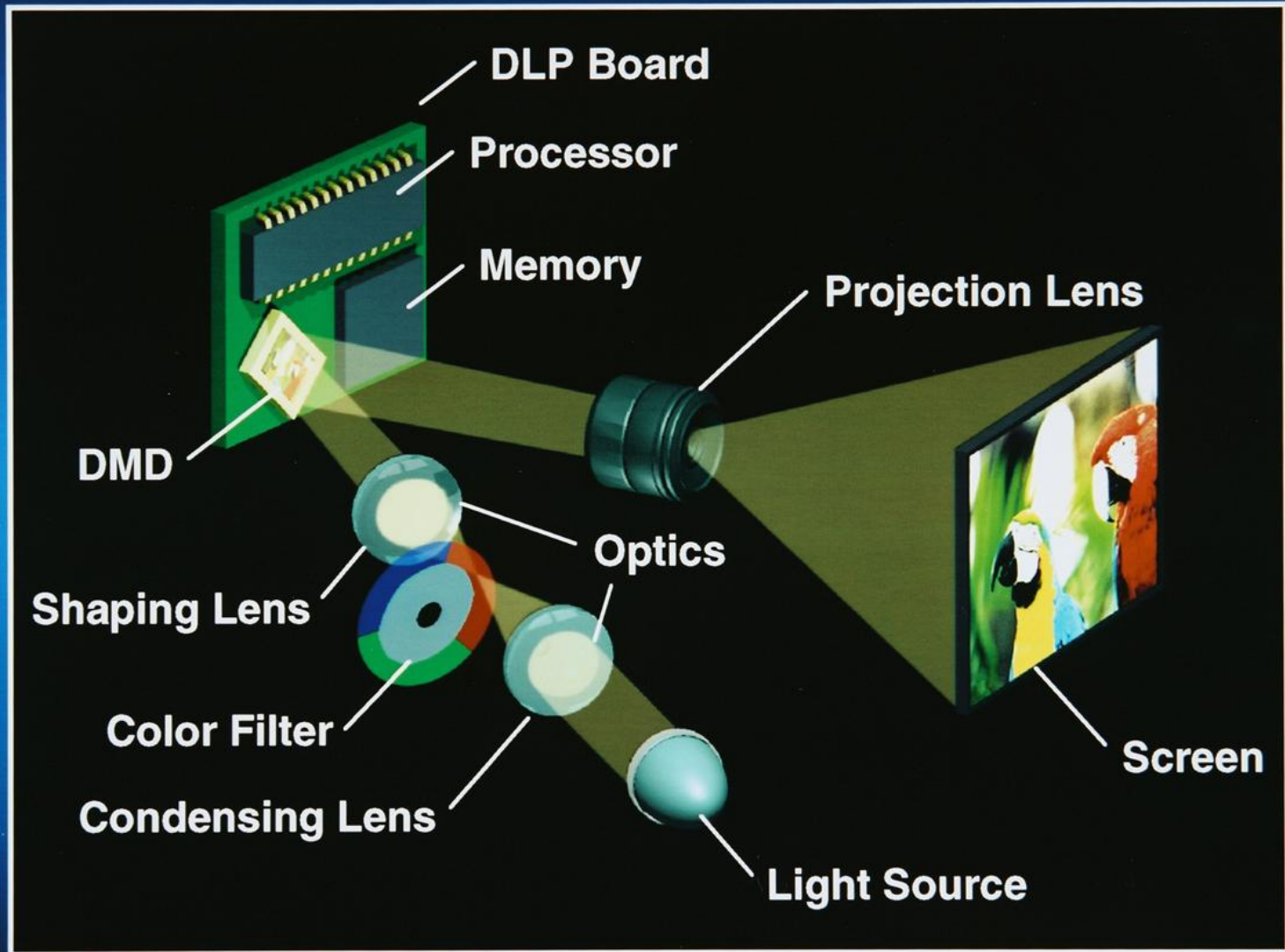
- The fact that  $[\Phi \ I]$  satisfies the RIP also implies that we can delete arbitrary rows of  $\Phi$  and retain the RIP
- Random matrices satisfy a *very strong* ***adversarial*** form of democracy



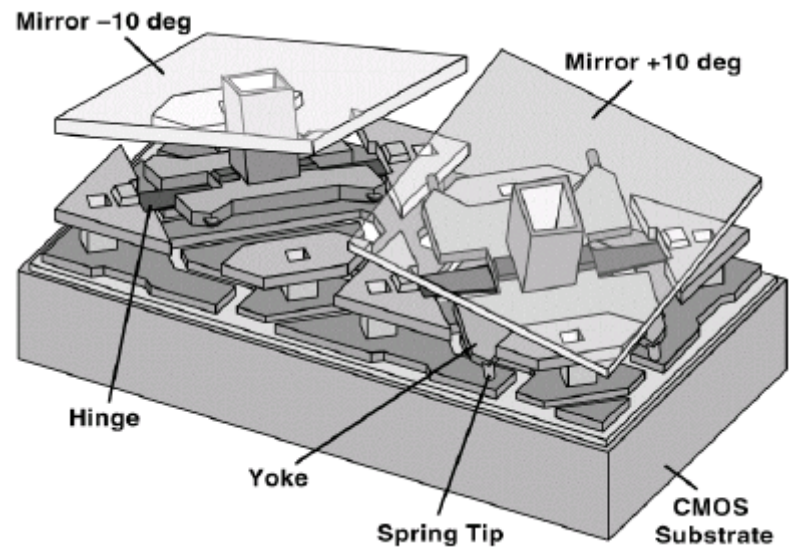
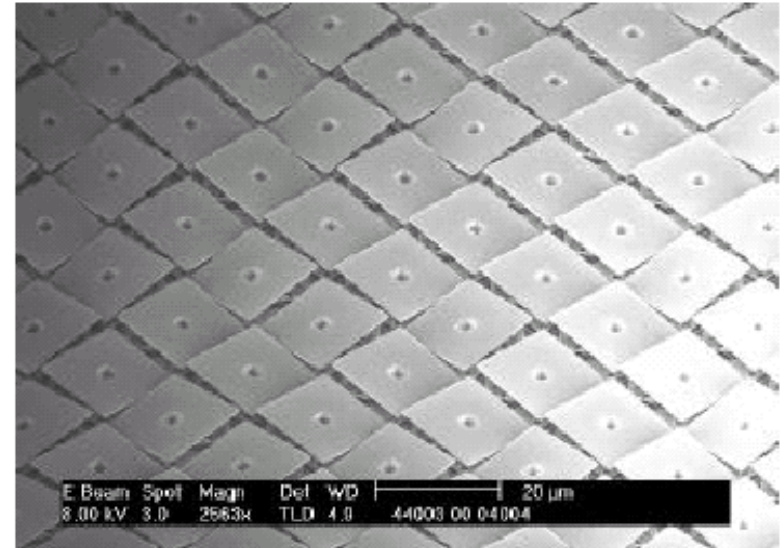
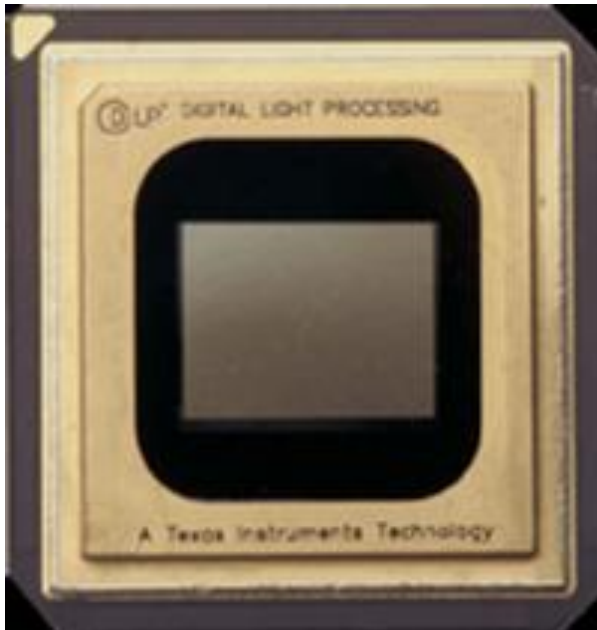
# Compressive Imaging in Practice

- Tomography in medical imaging
  - each projection gives you a set of Fourier coefficients
  - fewer measurements mean
    - more patients
    - sharper images
    - less radiation exposure
- Conventional imaging at non-visible wavelengths
  - cannot always build sensor arrays
  - raster scan takes time

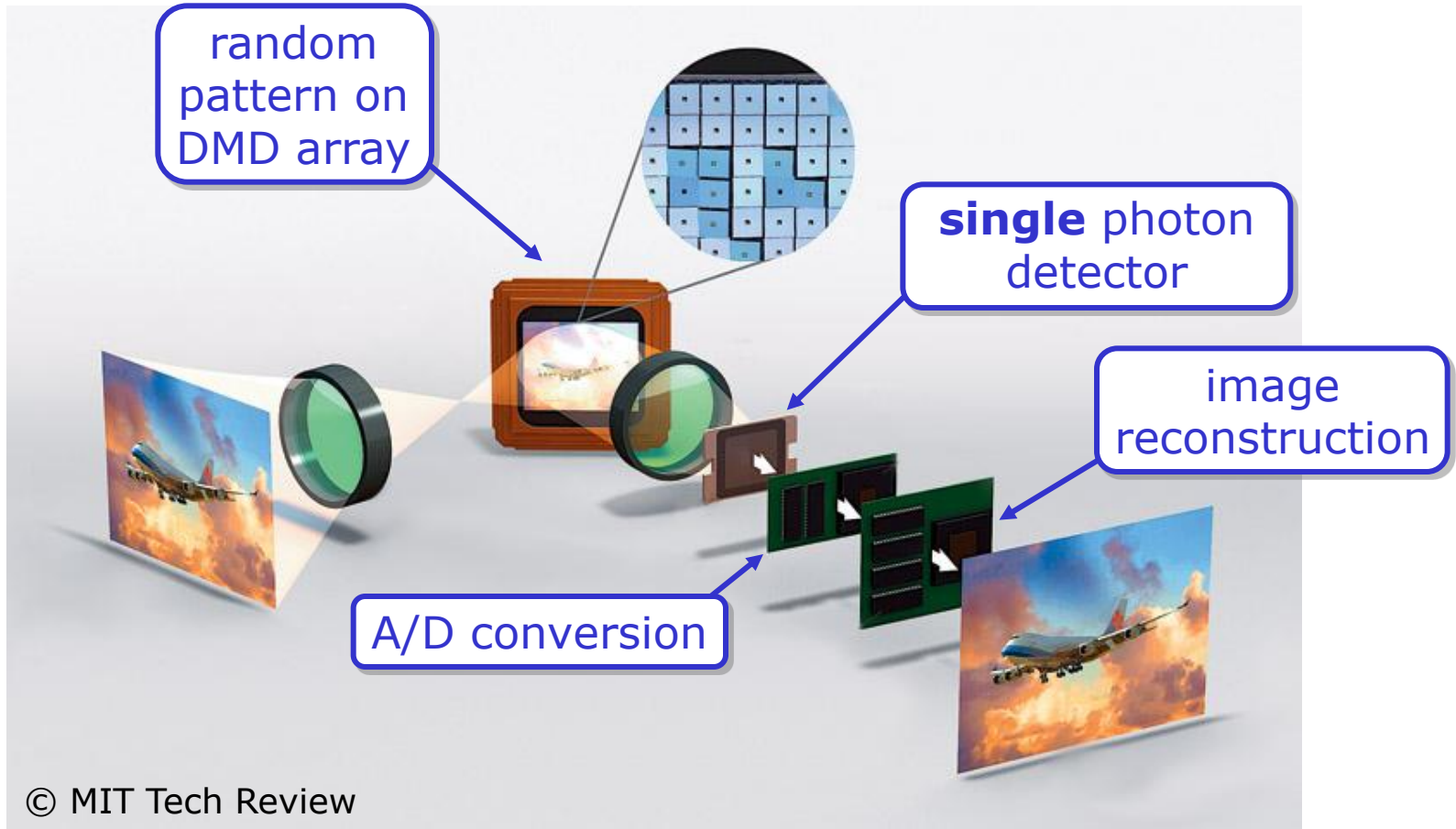
# 1 Chip DLP™ Projection



# TI Digital Micromirror Device



# “Single-Pixel” Camera



# Image Acquisition



Original



16384 Pixels  
1600 Measurements  
(10%)



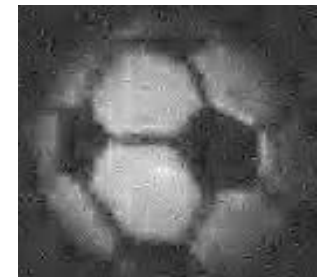
16384 Pixels  
3300 Measurements  
(20%)



65536 Pixels  
1300 Measurements  
(2%)



65536 Pixels  
3300 Measurements  
(5%)

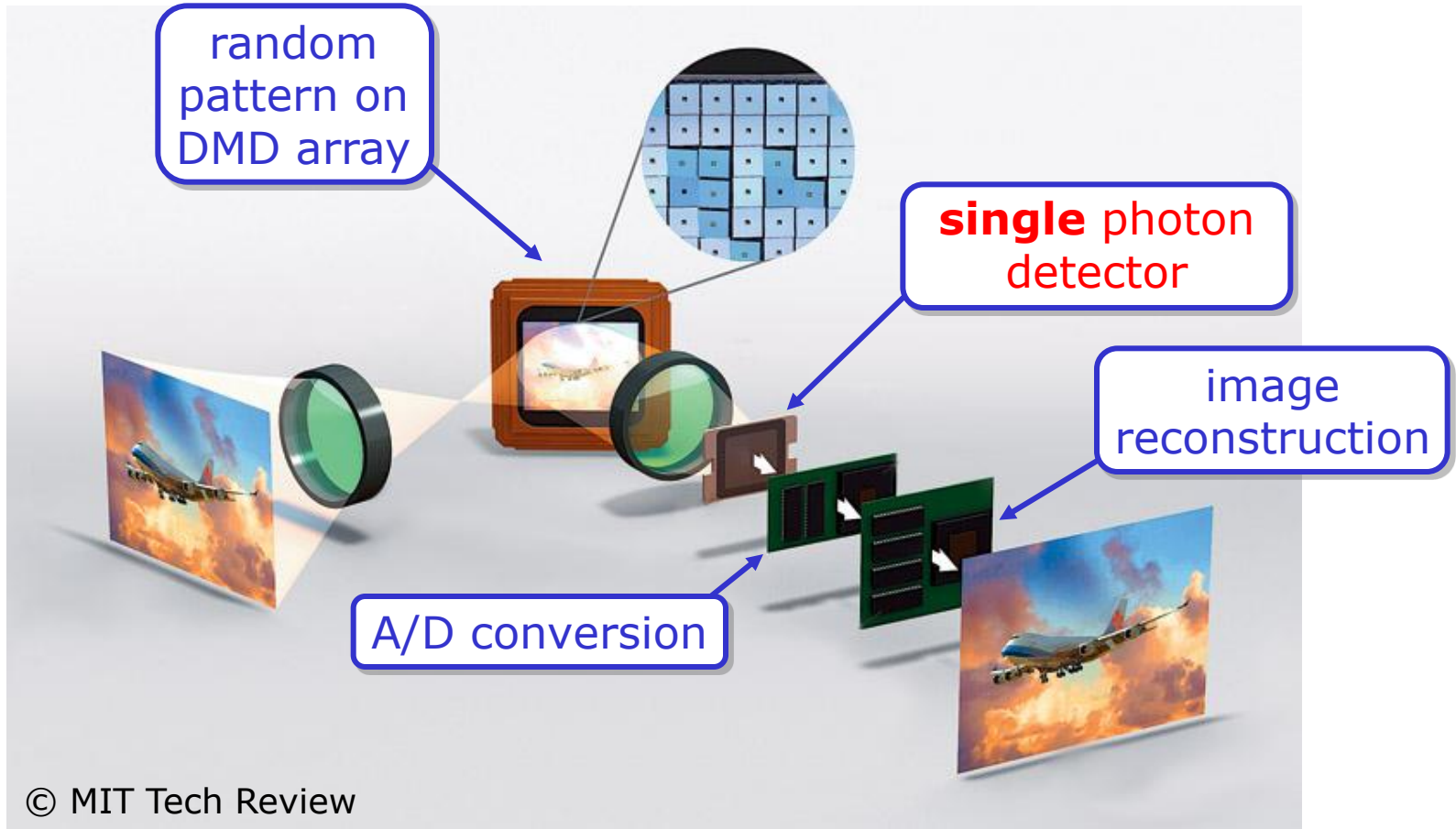


# World's First Photograph

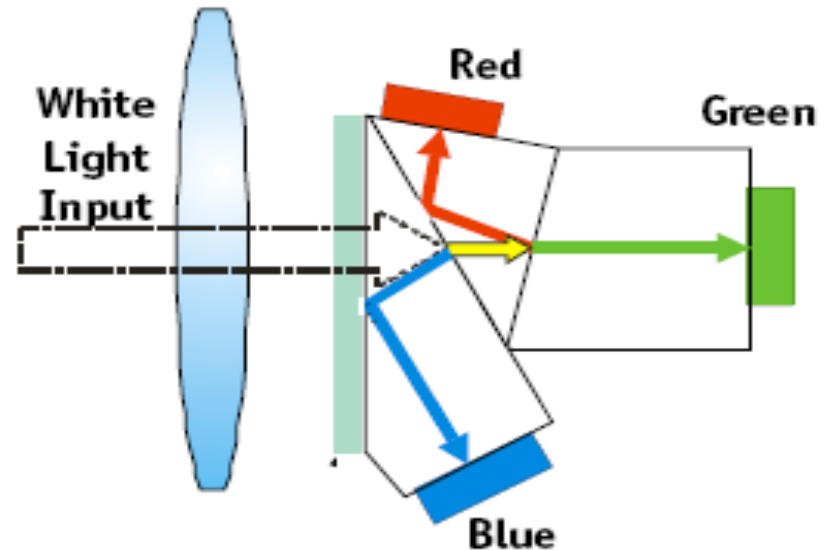
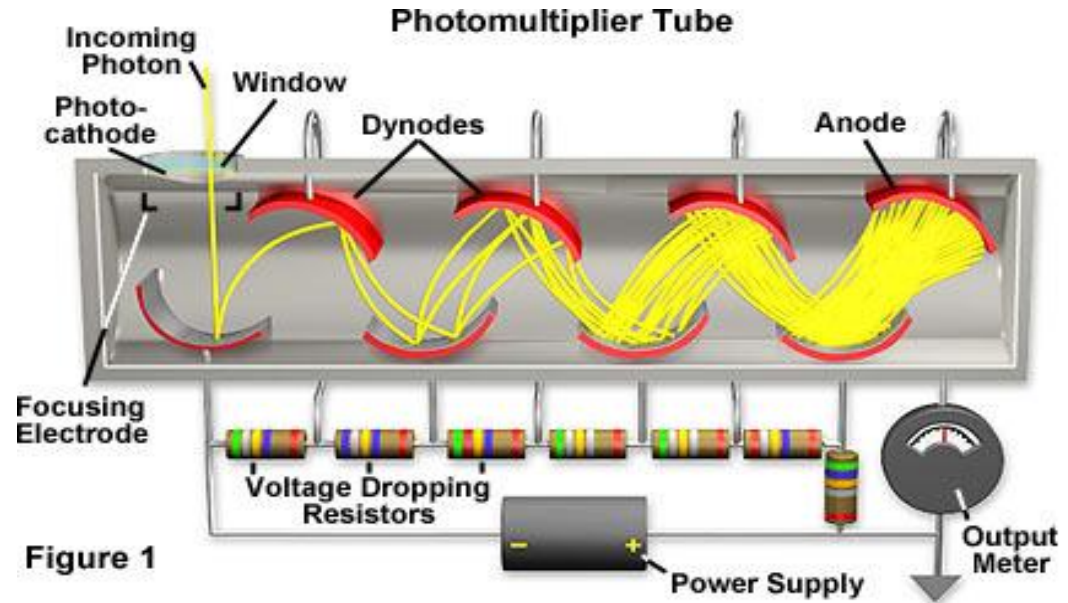
- 1826, Joseph Niepce
- Farm buildings and sky
- 8 hour exposure



# “Single-Pixel” Camera



# Low-Light Imaging with PMT



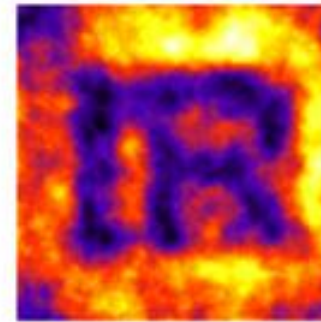
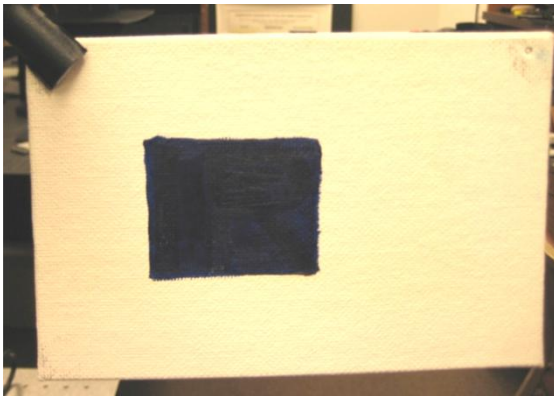
True color low-light imaging:  
256 x 256 image with 10:1  
compression



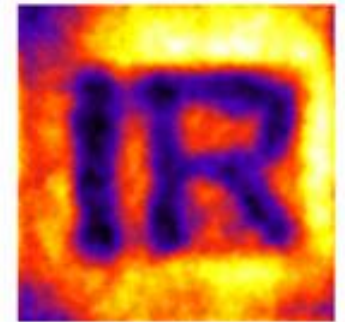
# IR Imaging

Canvas board:

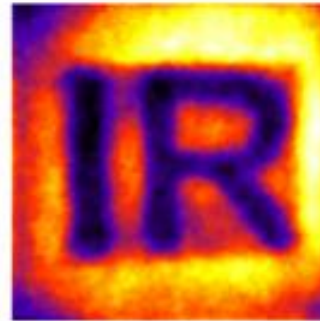
- "IR" written using charcoal pencil
- covered by a layer of blue oil paint
- scene is illuminated by a 150 watt halogen lamp



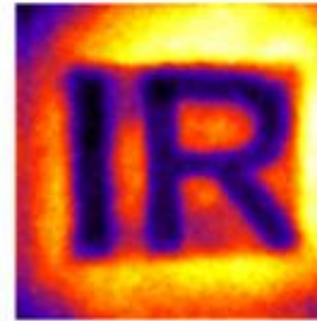
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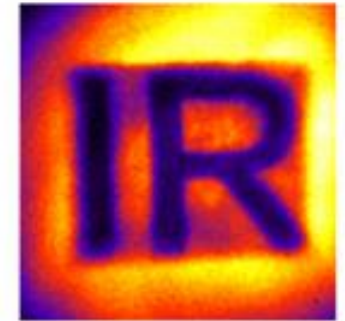
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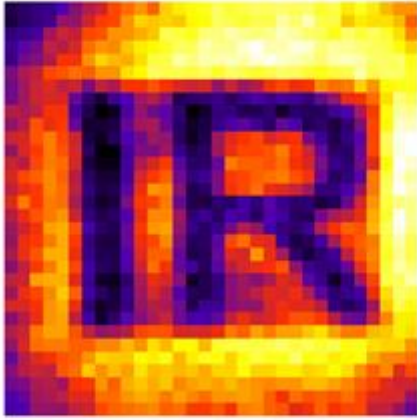


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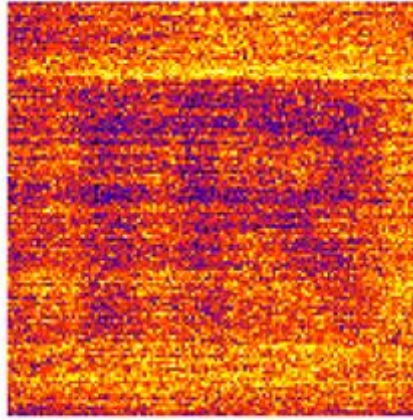
Reconstruction of  $256 \times 256$  pixel image

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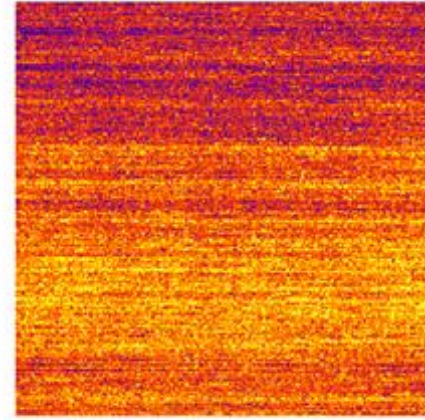
Raster scans: Light from only one pixel



$32 \times 32$

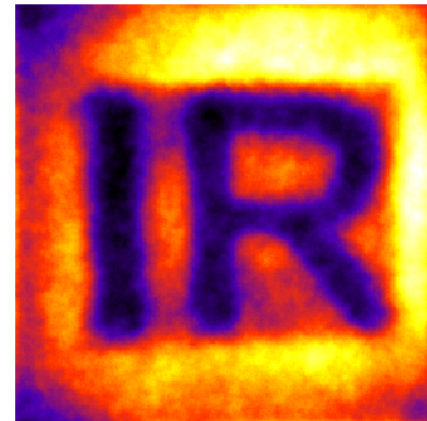


$128 \times 128$



$256 \times 256$

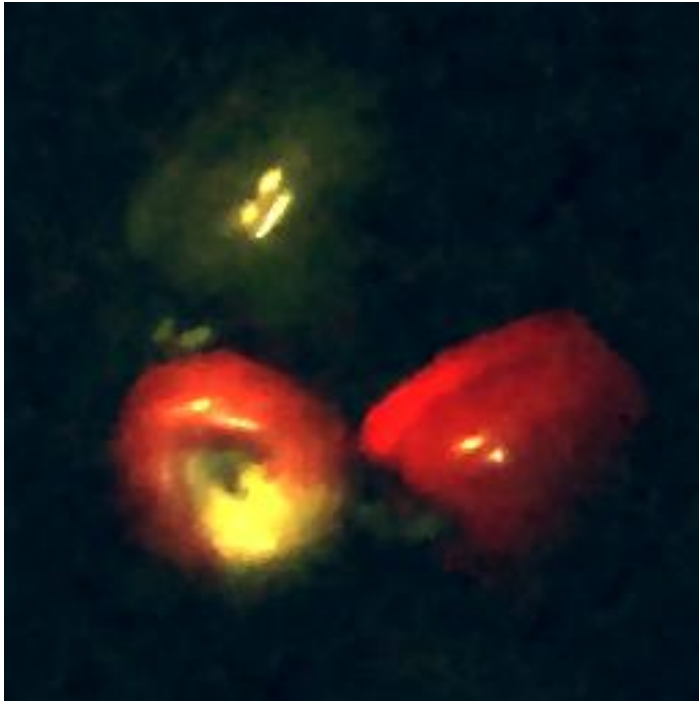
Compressive sensing:  
Light from half the pixels



$256 \times 256$

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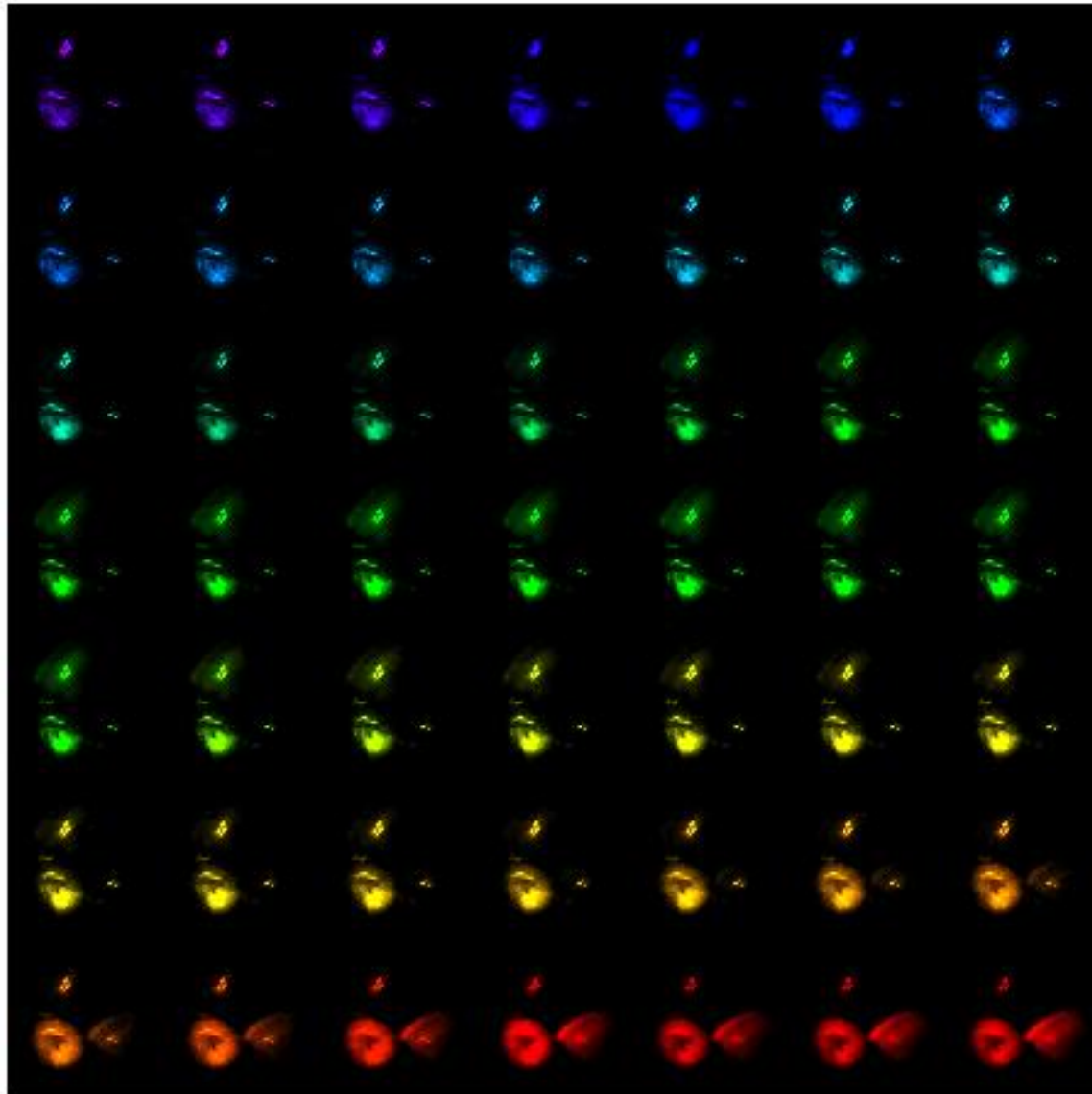
Sum of all bands



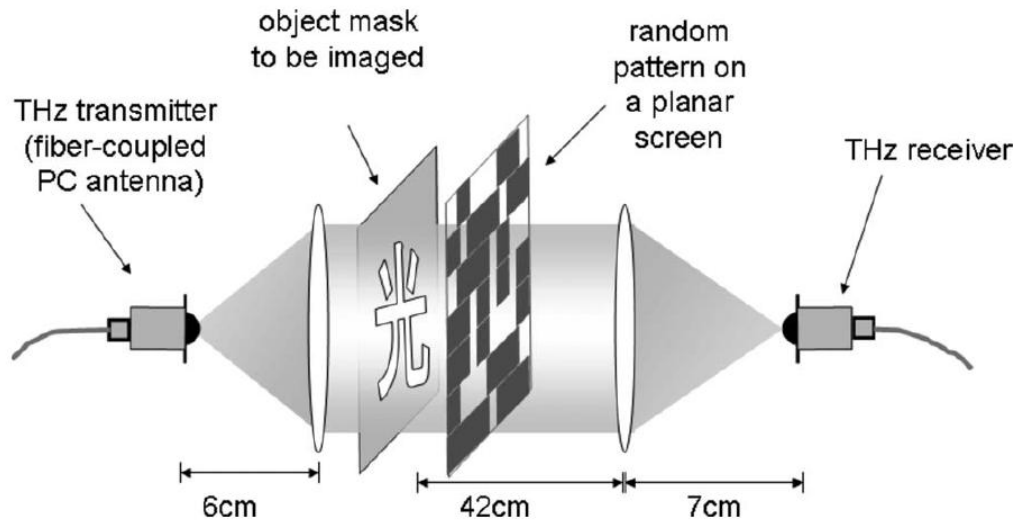
Real target



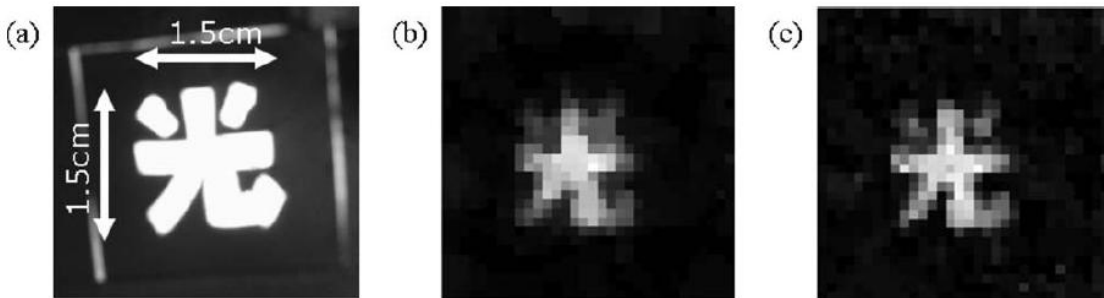
# Hyperspectral Imaging



# THz Imaging



**32 x 32 PCB masks**

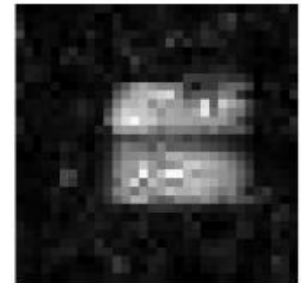


**Object mask**

**300  
measurements**

**600  
measurements**

**THz  
Amplitude**

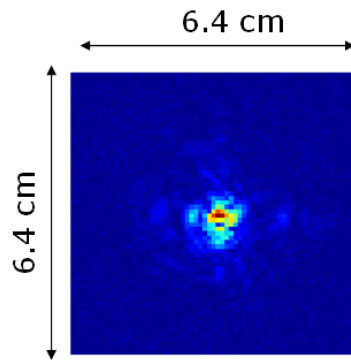
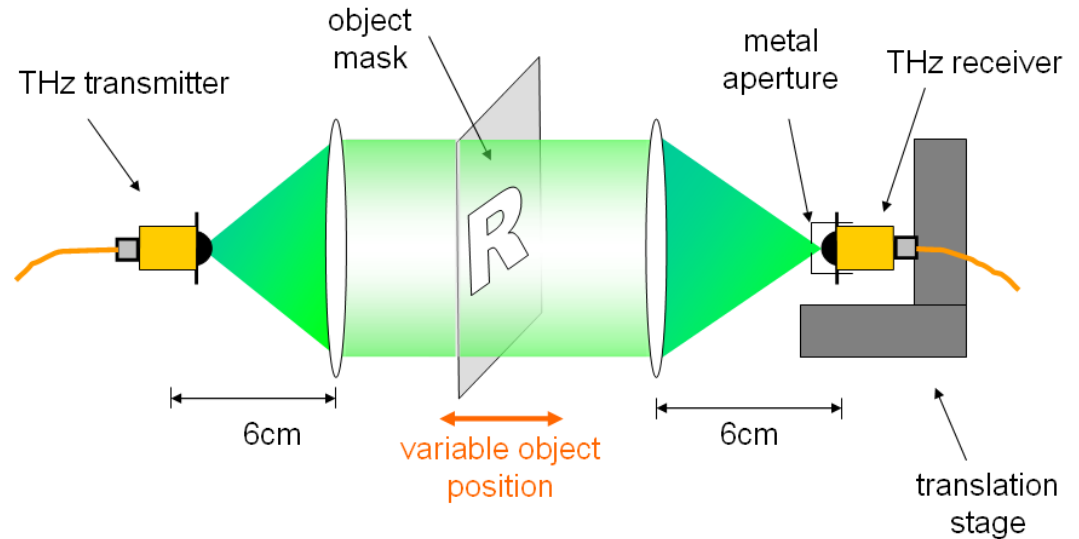
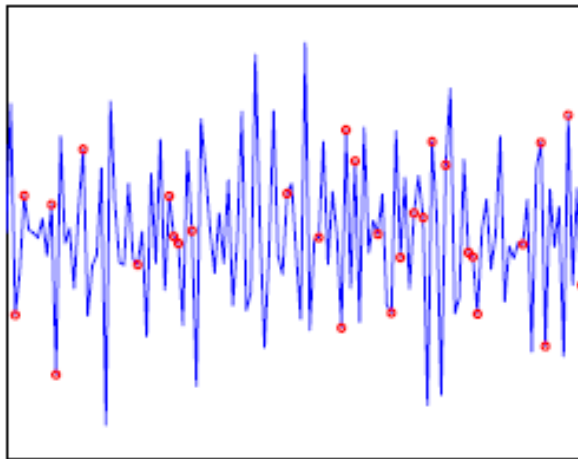


**THz Phase**

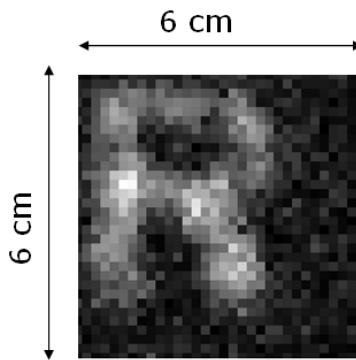


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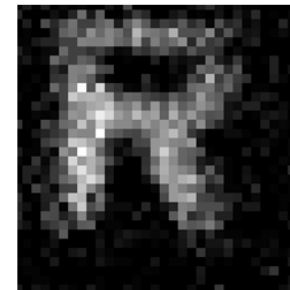
# THz Imaging 2: Sampling in Fourier



Fourier Transform of object (Magnitude-only)



CPR Reconstruction (4096 measurements)



CSPR Reconstruction (1000 measurements)

# Conclusions

- **Compressive sensing**

- exploits signal sparsity/compressibility
- integrates sensing with compression
- enables new kinds of imaging/sensing devices

- Near/Medium-term applications

- tomography/medical imaging
- cameras and imagers where CCDs and CMOS arrays are blind
- potential strategy to boost time-resolution in many imaging settings
- ***electron microscopy?***

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