

Rank-one projections for compressive radio interferometric imaging

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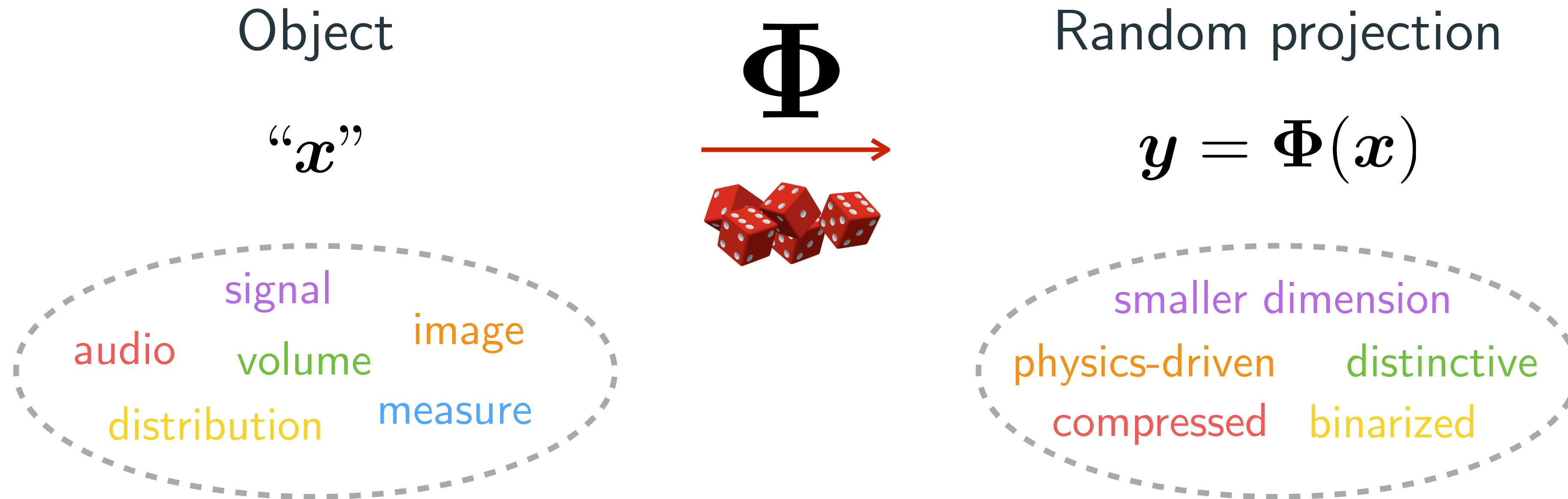


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Introduction to random projections and compressive sensing

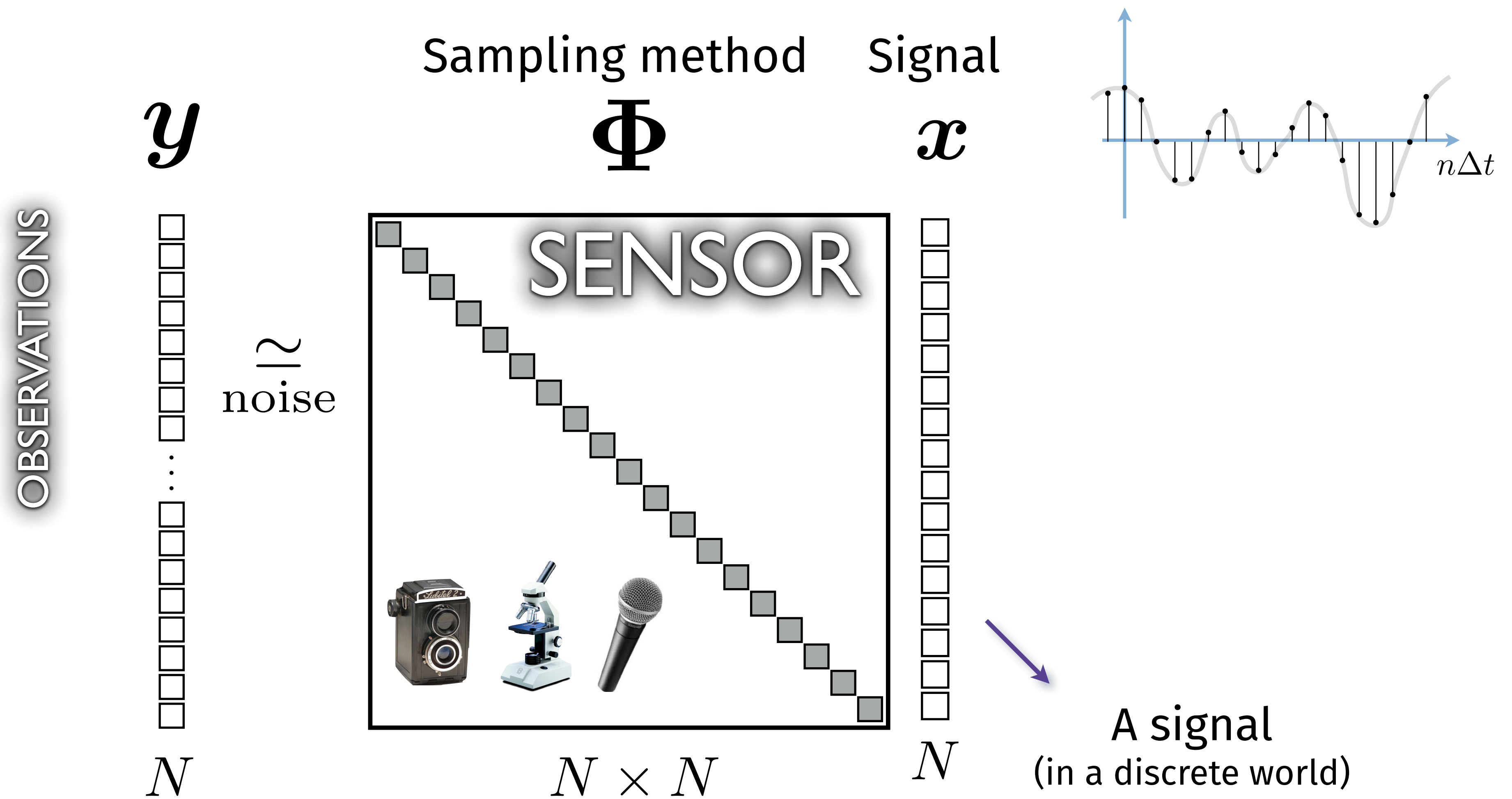
The multiple use of random projections in “data science”



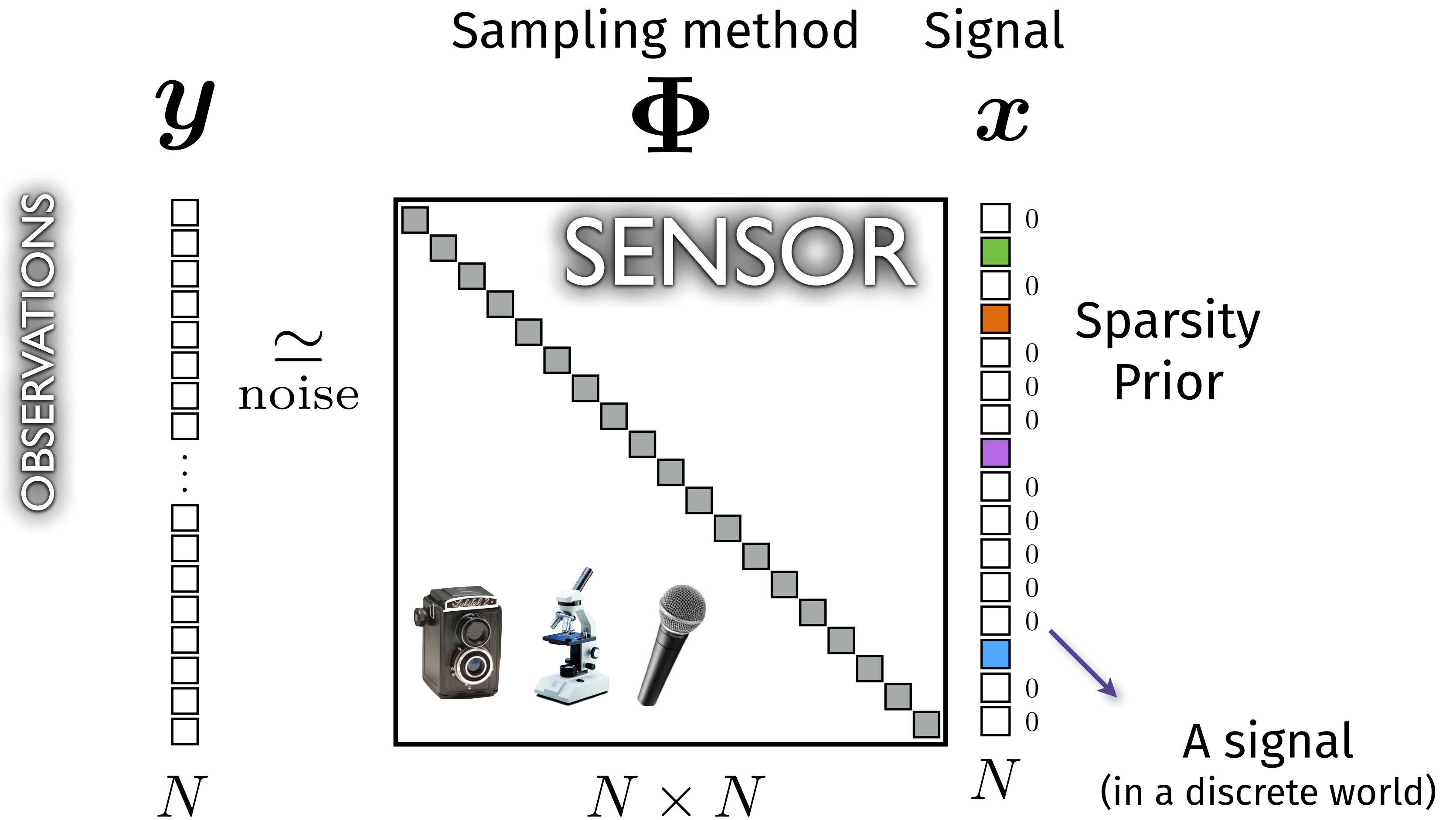
Random “projections” are ubiquitous in:

- Data mining & dimensionality reduction techniques
- Sensing and imaging methods (optics, astronomy, ...)
- Machine learning (sketching, explicit kernel, initialization, ...)
- Randomized numerical methods, ...

From "Nyquist" Sensing...

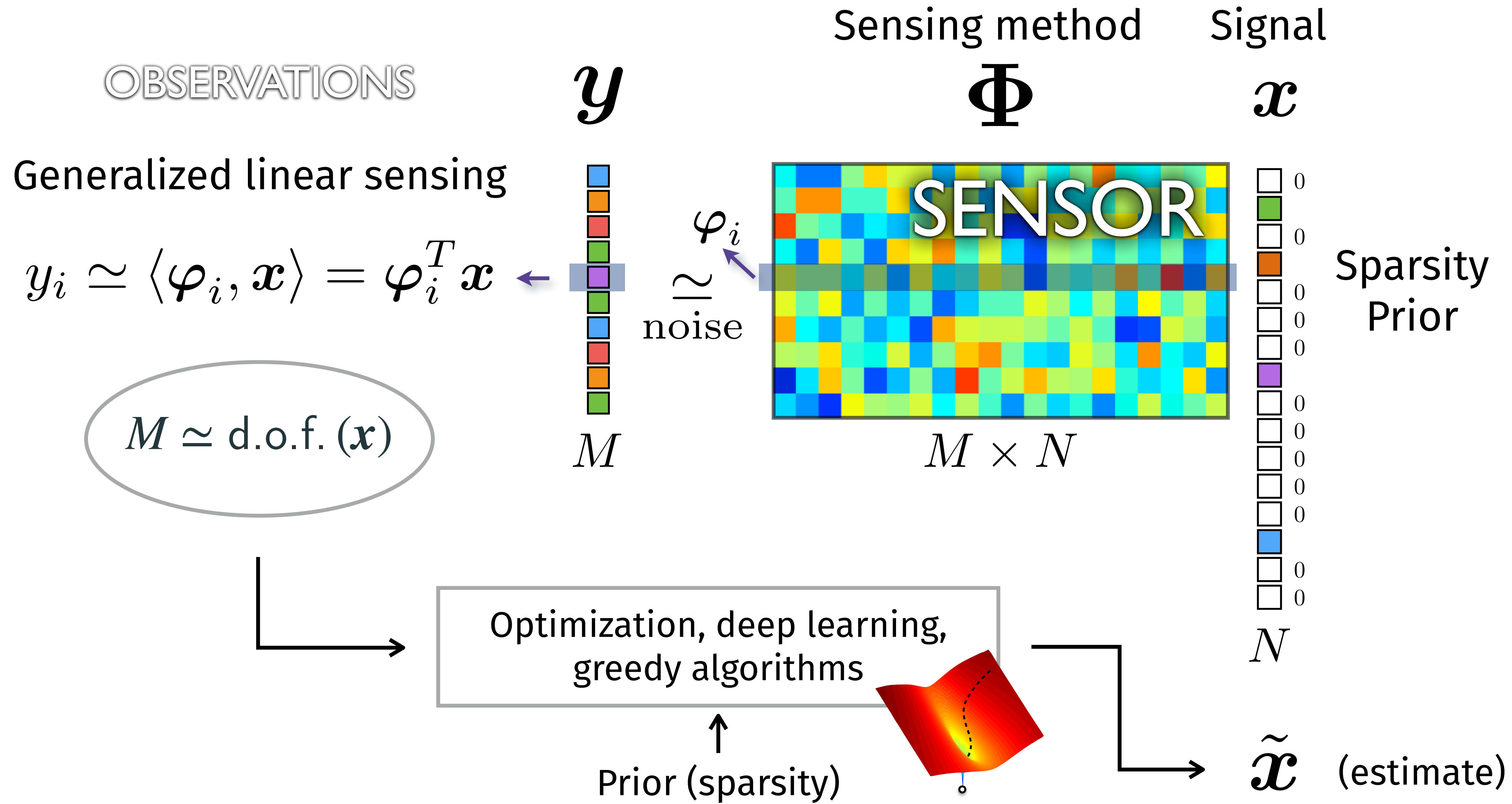


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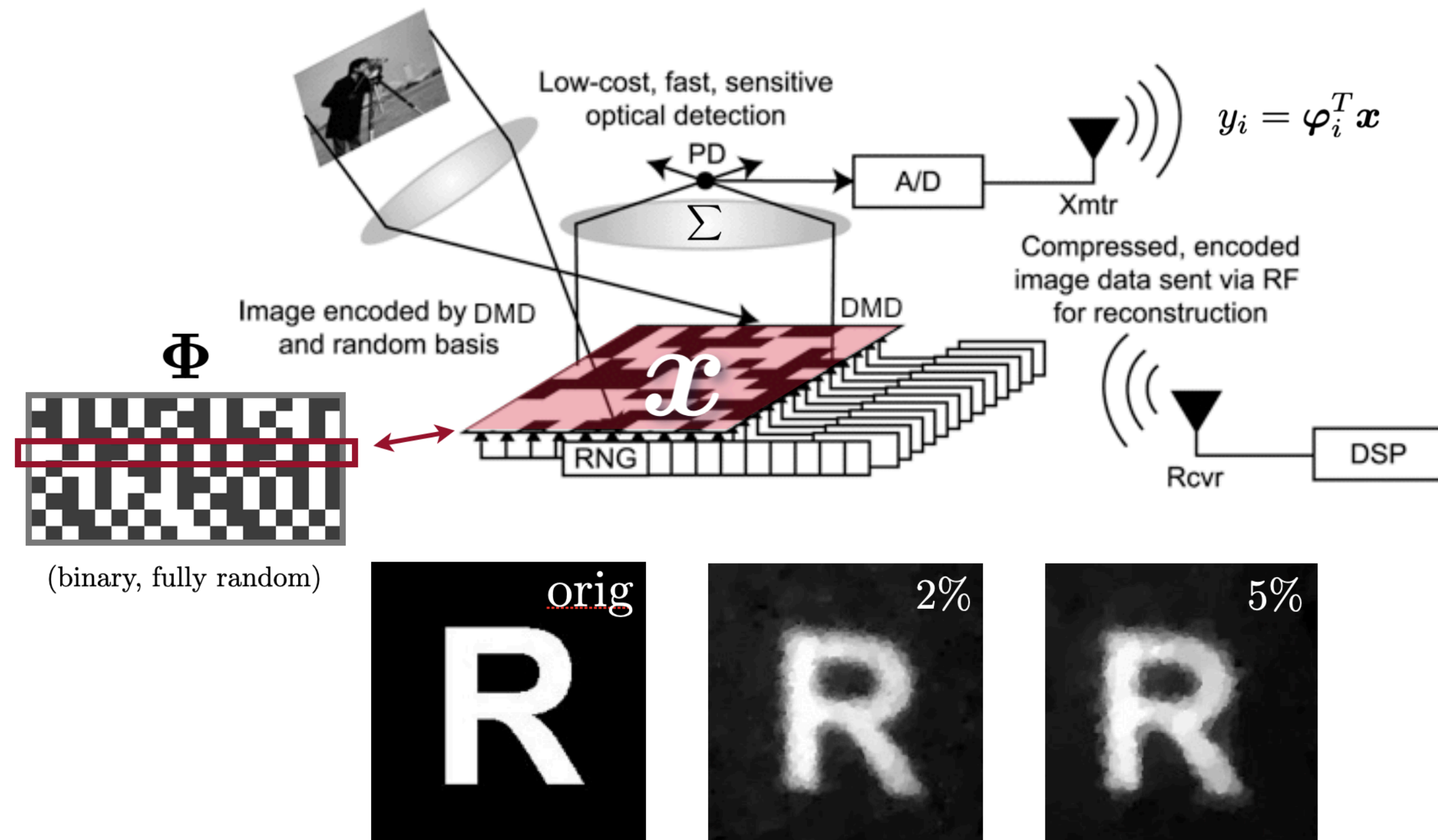
If x is *sparse*, Φ is a wasteful sensing process!

... to compressive sensing



Examples of compressive sensors

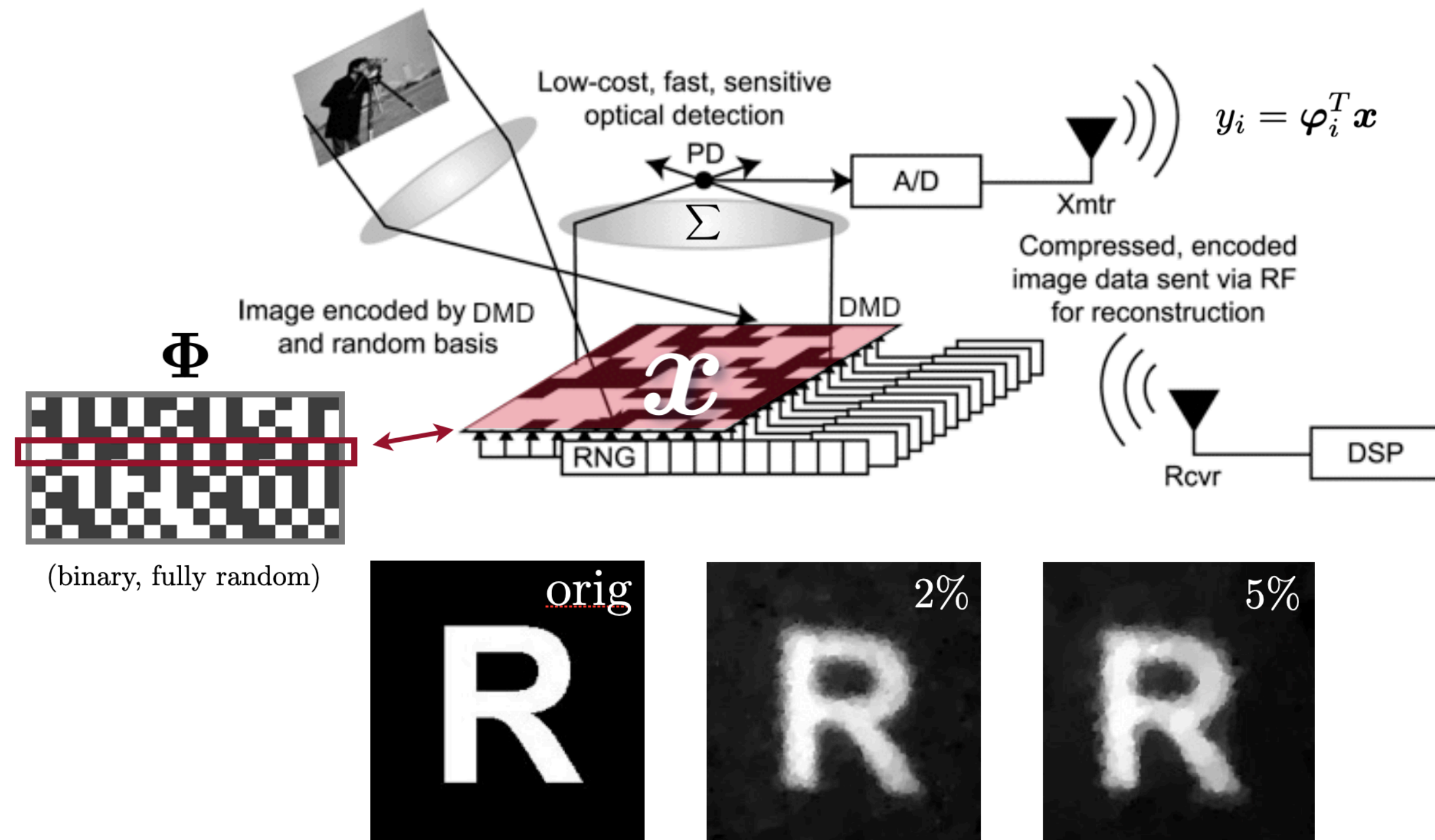
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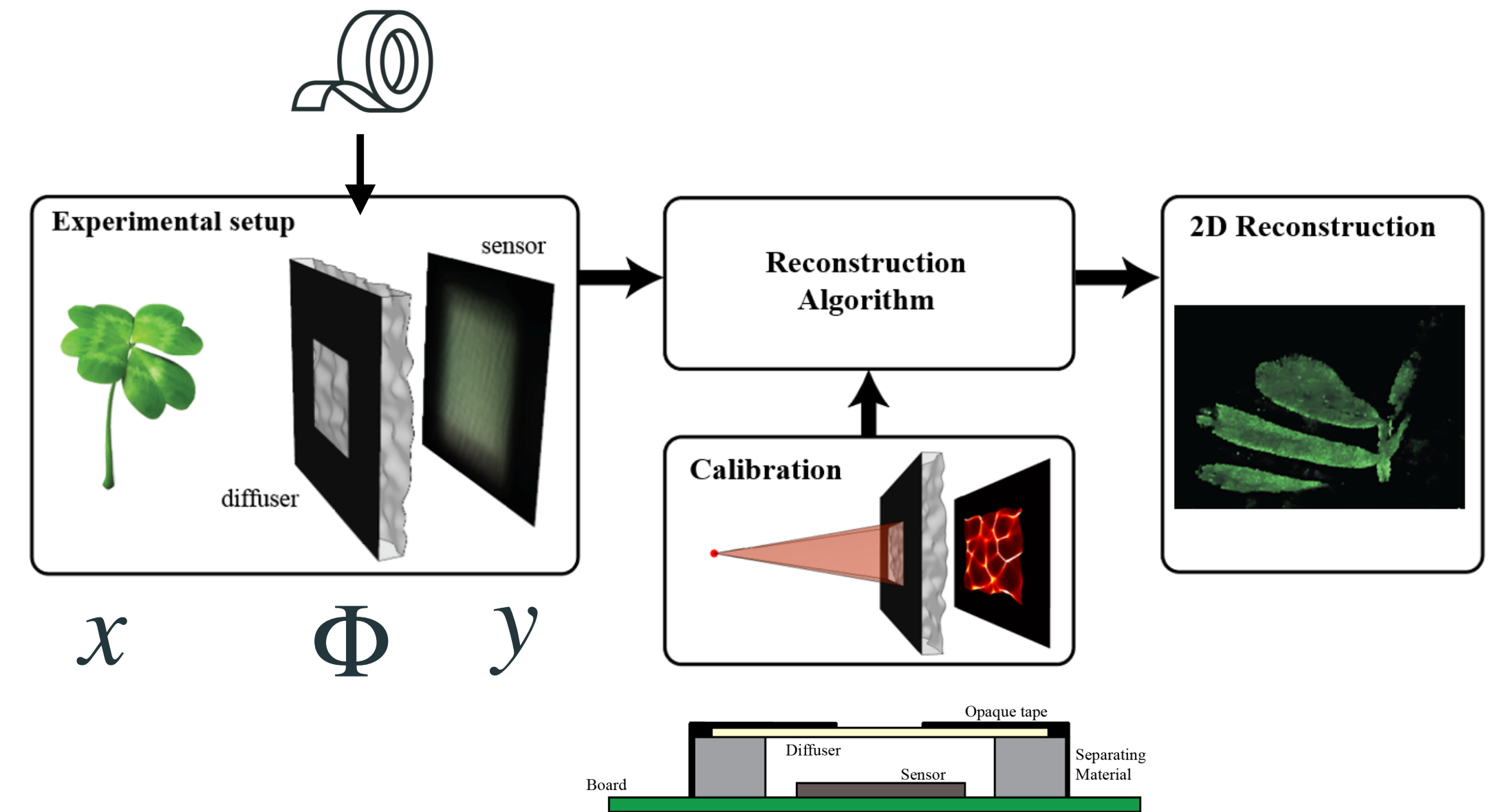
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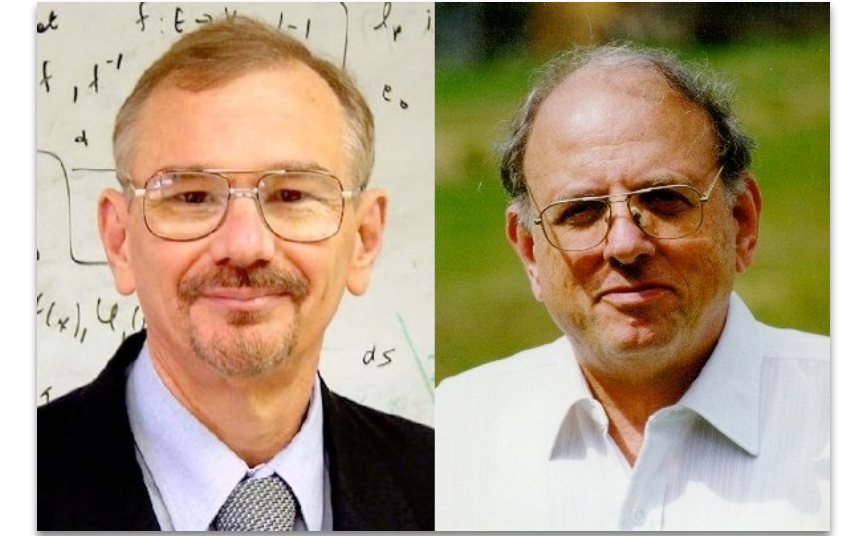
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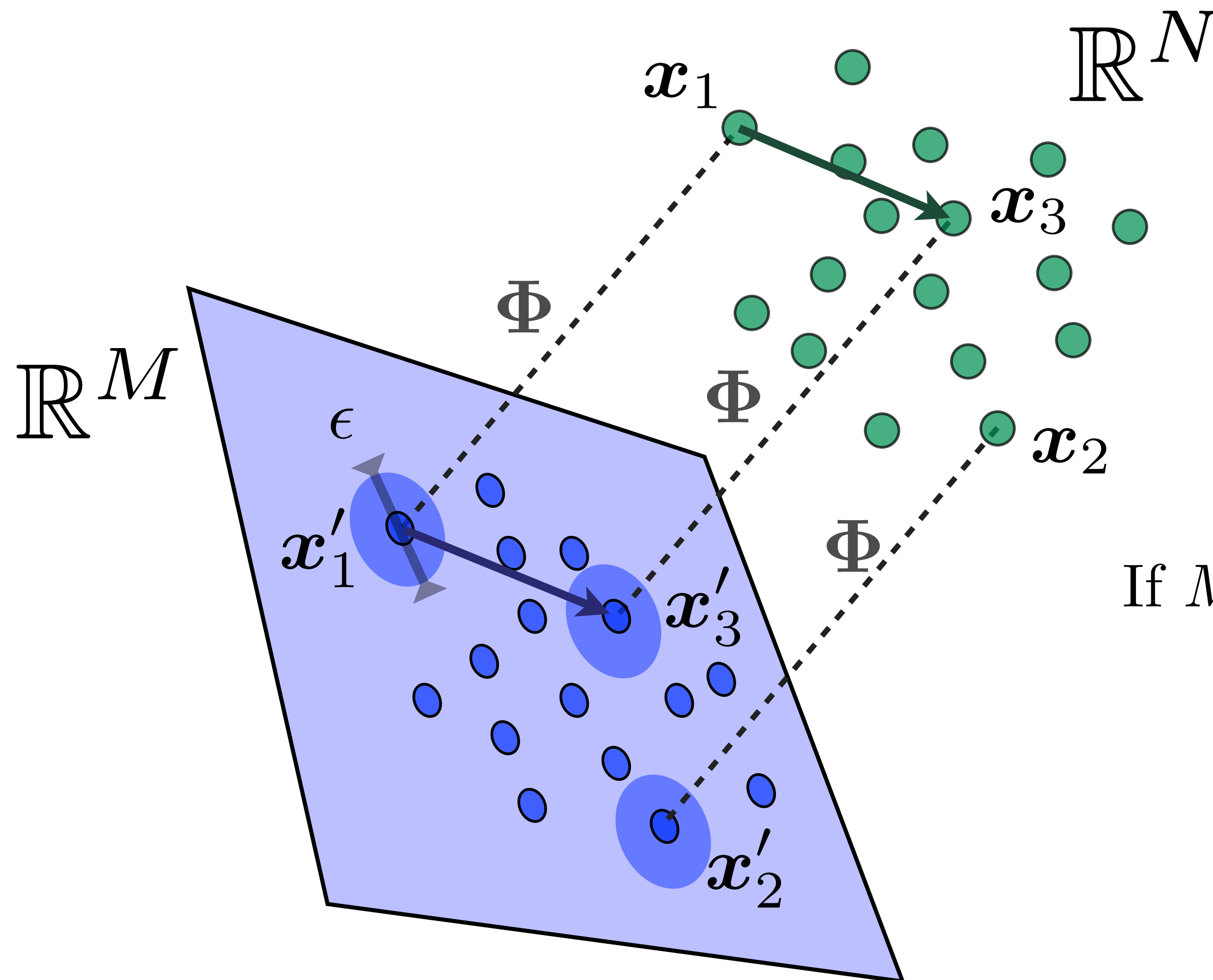
Why is it working? → embedding of low-complexity signals

Johnson-Lindenstrauss Lemma (1984)

For many random $M \times N$ matrices Φ (e.g., Gaussian, Bernoulli, structured)



Johnson & Lindenstrauss



D points

$$\mathcal{S} = \{\mathbf{x}_i : 1 \leq i \leq D\}$$

Prior Information

If $M \geq C \log(D)$, then, with high probability,

$$\|\Phi \mathbf{x}_i - \Phi \mathbf{x}_j\| \approx_{\epsilon} \|\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j\|, \quad \forall i, j$$

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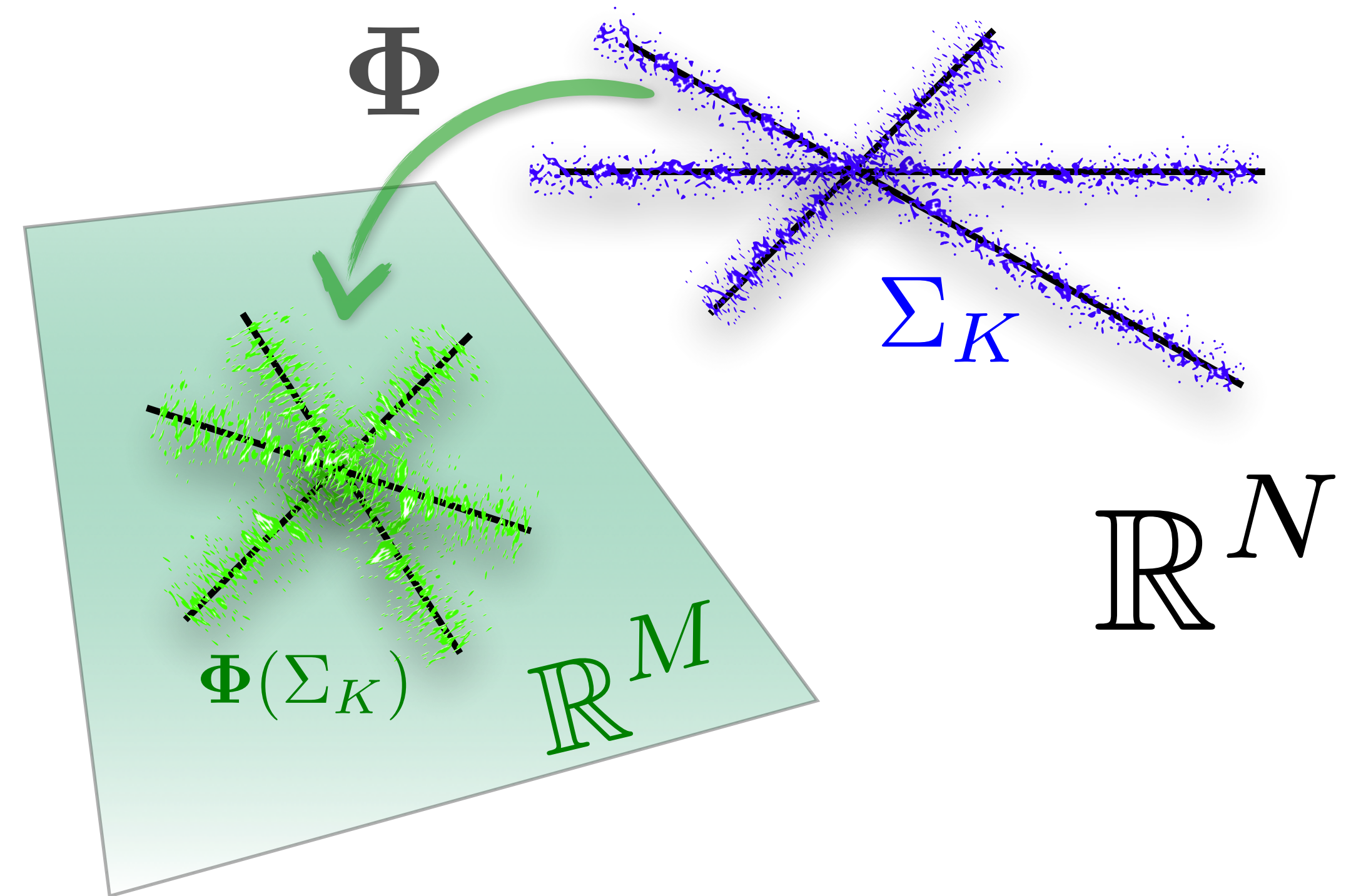
$$M \gtrsim \text{d.o.f.}(\Sigma_K) \asymp K \log(N/K)$$

⇓ (with high probability) ⇓

Geometry of $\Phi(\Sigma_K) \approx$ Geometry of Σ_K

$$\underbrace{\Phi \mathbf{x} \approx \Phi \mathbf{x}'}_{\text{observations}} \Leftrightarrow \underbrace{\mathbf{x} \approx \mathbf{x}'}_{\text{true signals}}$$

with $\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x}' \in \Sigma_K := \{\mathbf{u} : \|\mathbf{u}\|_0 = |\text{supp}(\mathbf{u})| \leq K\}$

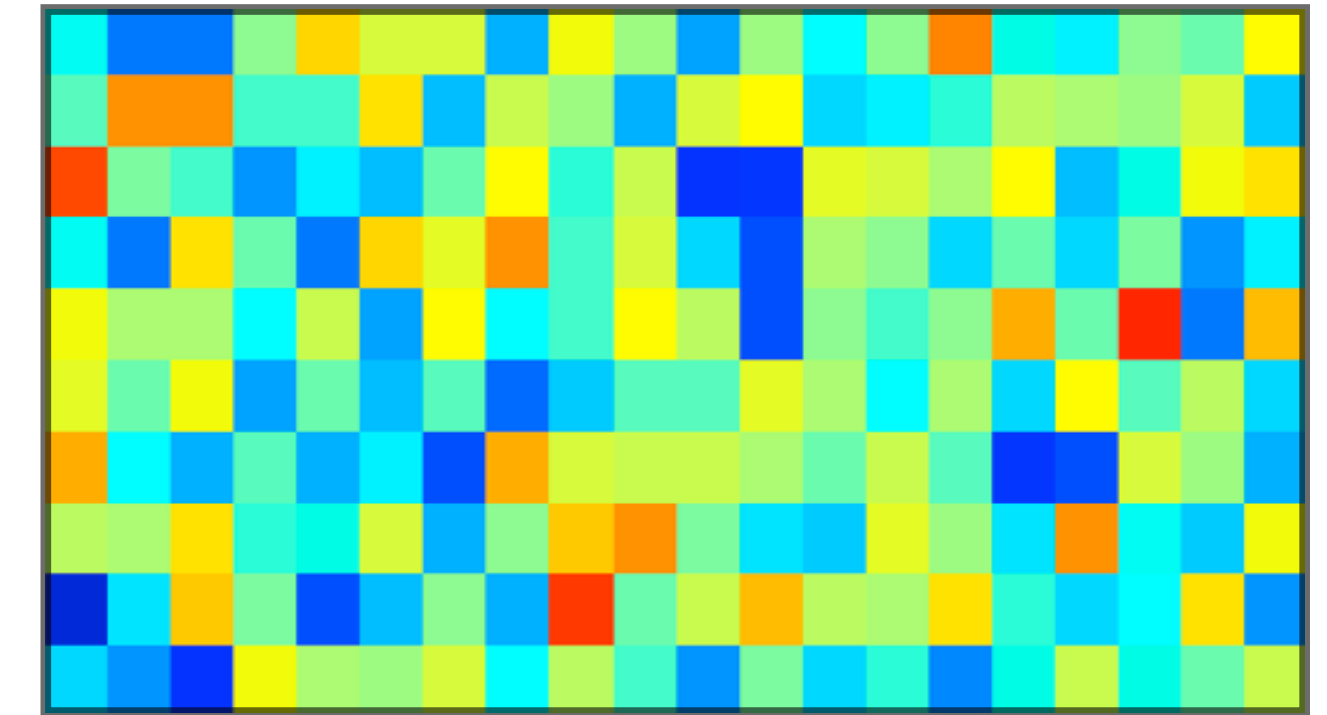


+ Many extensions to other sparsity models, low-rank matrices, ...

Structured random projections

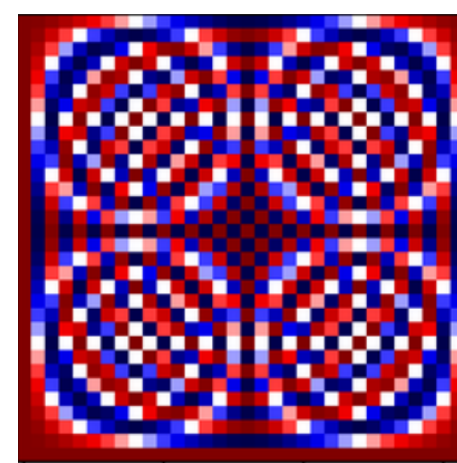
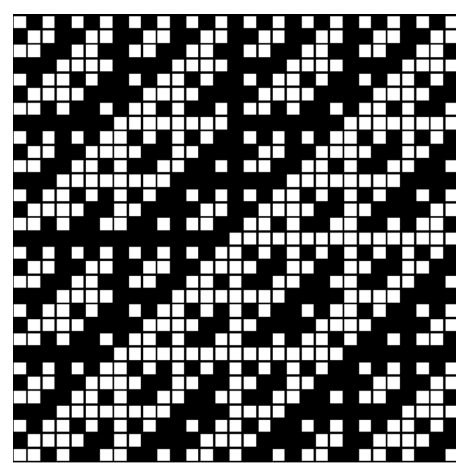
Challenge: dense matrices Φ not optimal for:

- memory and computational complexity
- physically friendly implementation
- sensing higher dimensional objects



Other solutions:

- Fourier (FFT) or Hadamard matrices (or derivatives)



random subsampling
& modulation



Φ

- Rank-one projections (ROP)



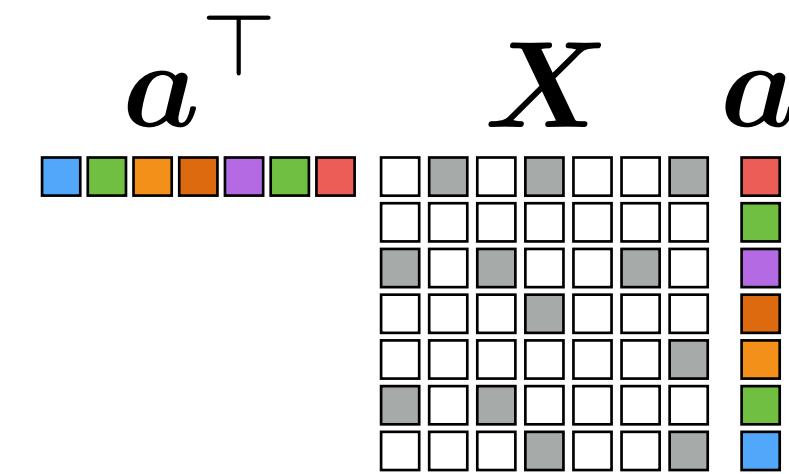
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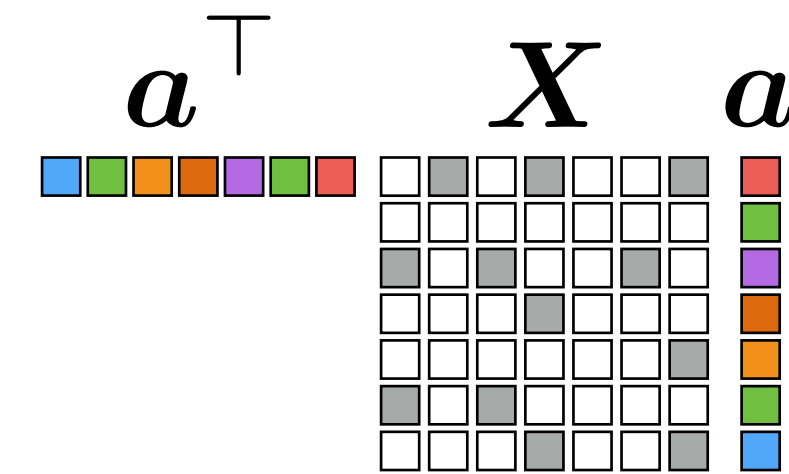
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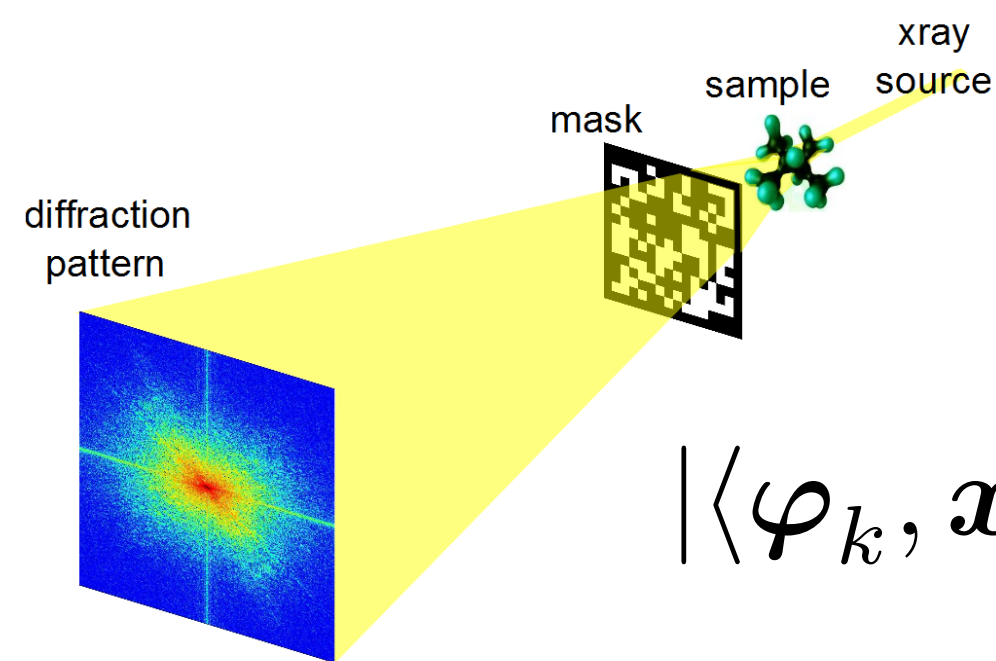
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Phase retrieval



$$|\langle \varphi_k, \mathbf{x} \rangle|^2 = \varphi_k^* (\mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}^*) \varphi_k$$

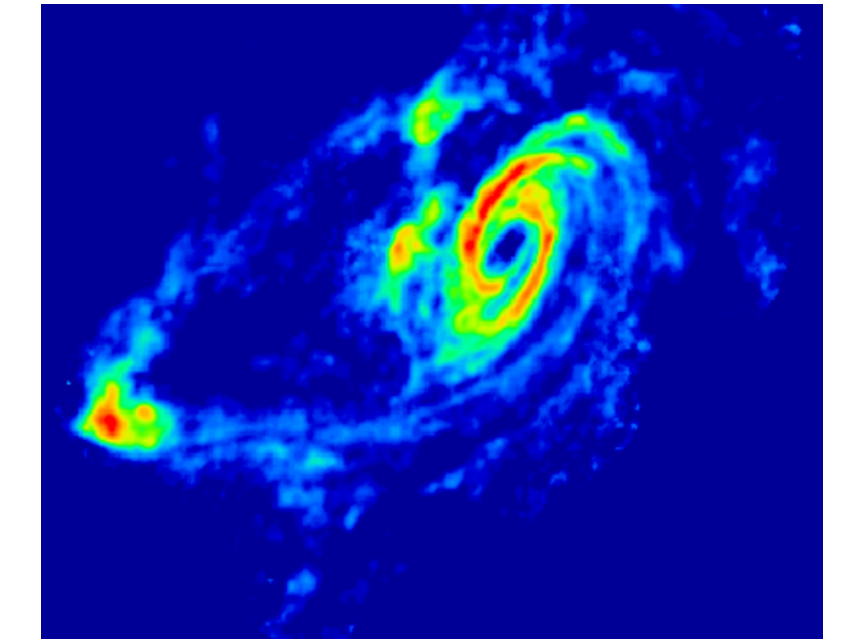
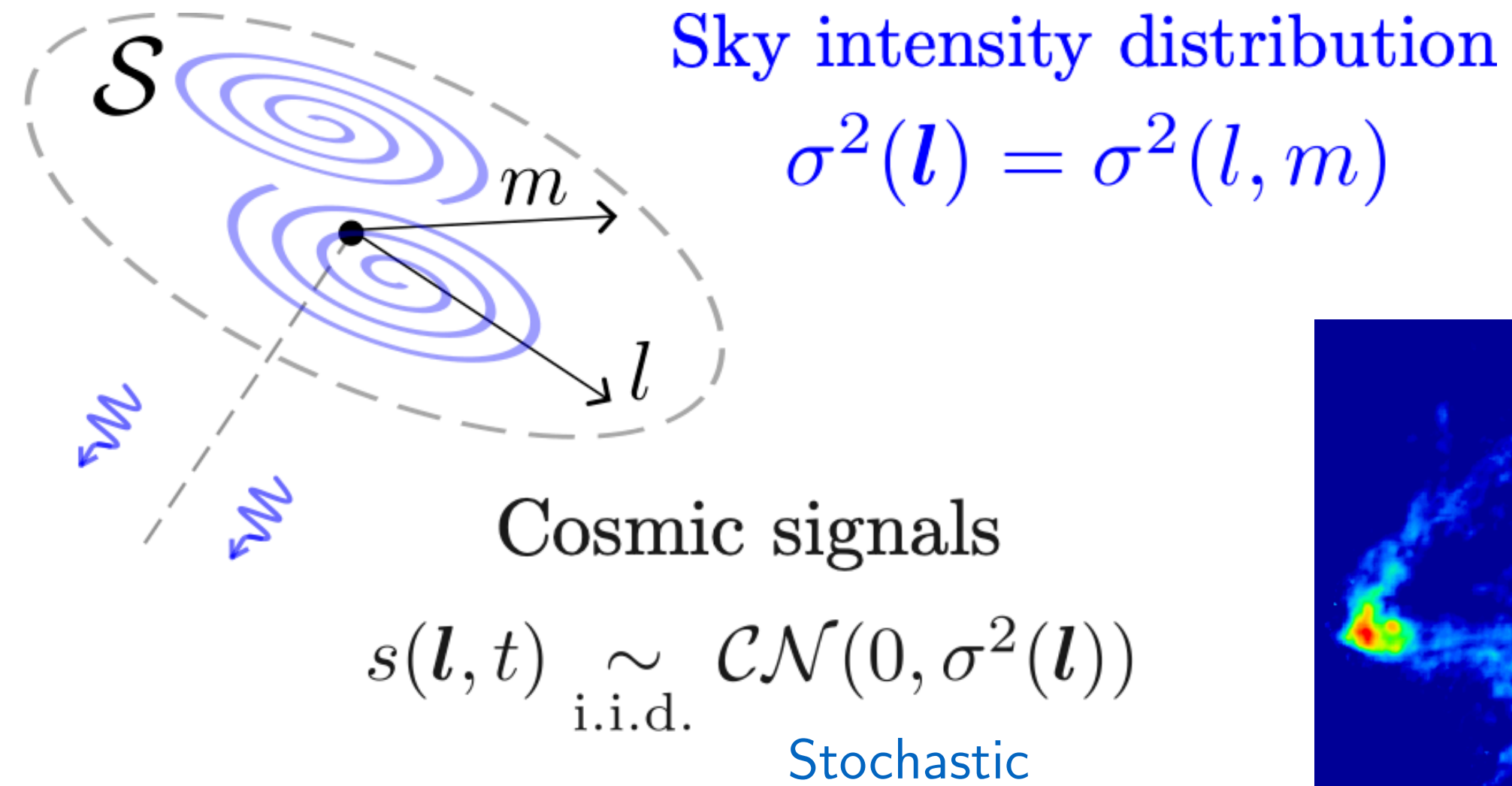
Covariance matrix estimation

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}(\mathbb{E} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{x}^\top) &\approx \mathcal{A}\left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_k \mathbf{x}_k \mathbf{x}_k^\top\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{N} \sum_k [(\mathbf{a}_j^\top \mathbf{x}_k)^2]_{j=1}^m \\ &\quad \text{for } \mathbf{x}_k \sim_{\text{iid}} \mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

Acquisition and imaging models in radio astronomy

Radio interferometric sensing model

Q antennas focused on a (small) region \mathcal{S} of the sky



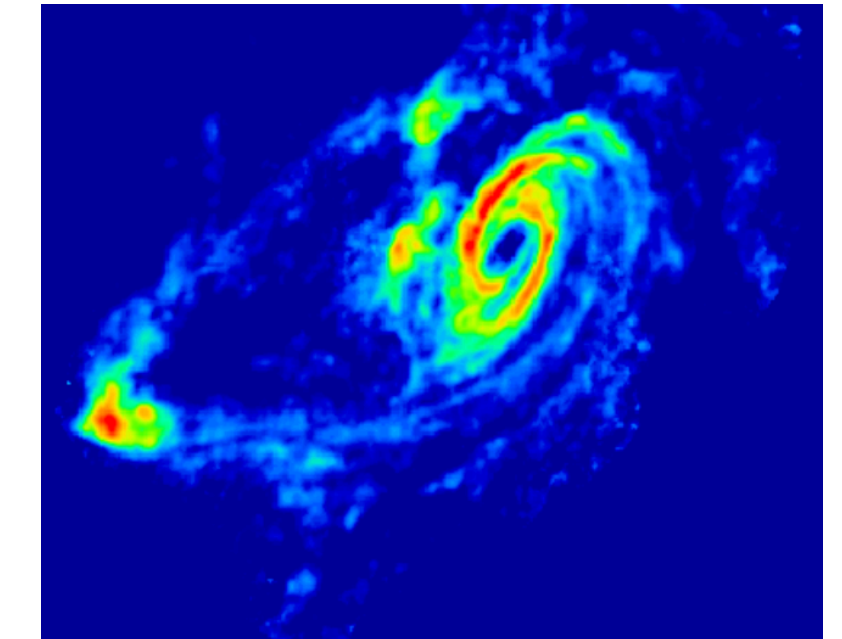
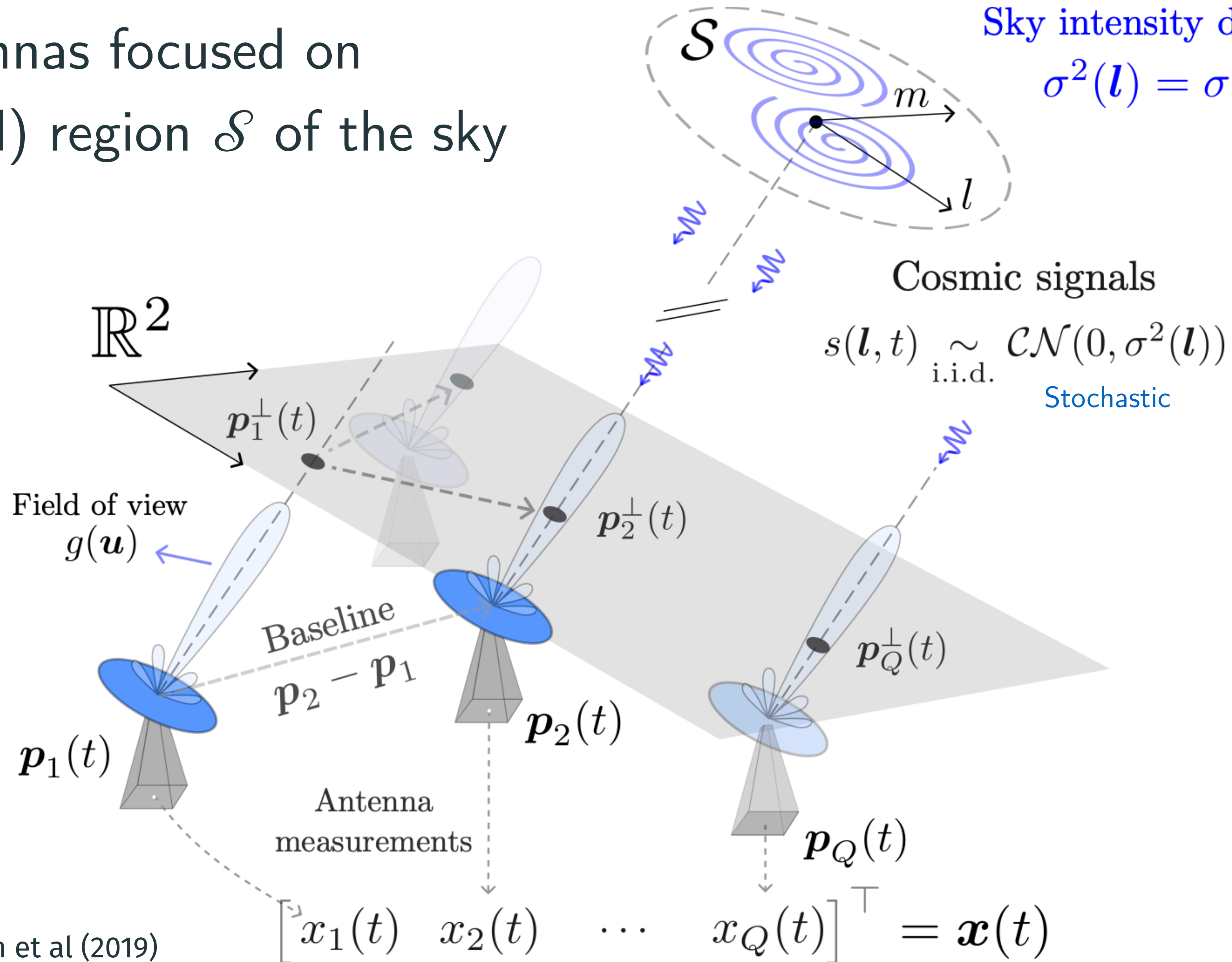
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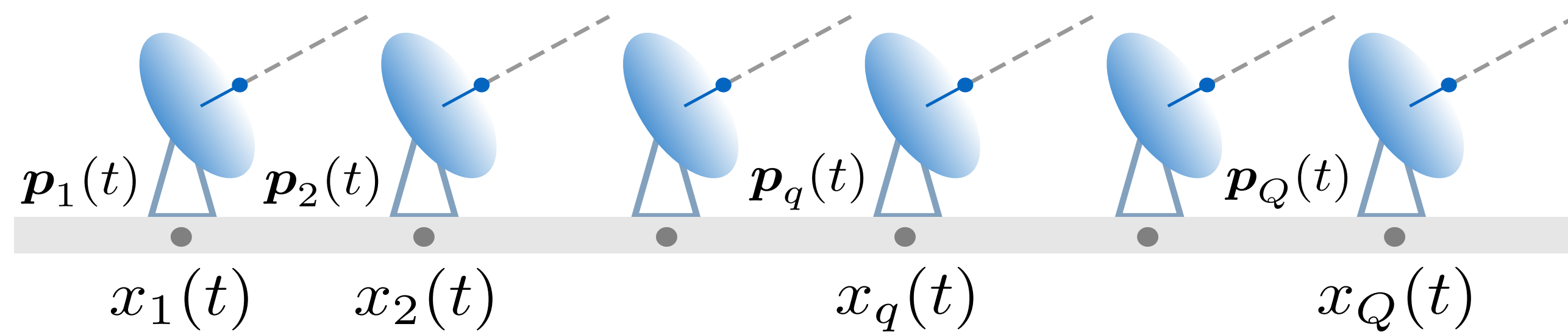
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Radio-interferometry principle: let's make correlation/*interference* of antenna signals



$$C_{ij}(t) := \mathbb{E}[x_i(t)x_j^*(t)]$$

$$\mathbf{C}(t) := \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{x}(t)\mathbf{x}^*(t)]$$

$Q \times Q$ covariance

$$\mathbf{x}(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_Q(t))^\top$$

Radio interferometric sensing model

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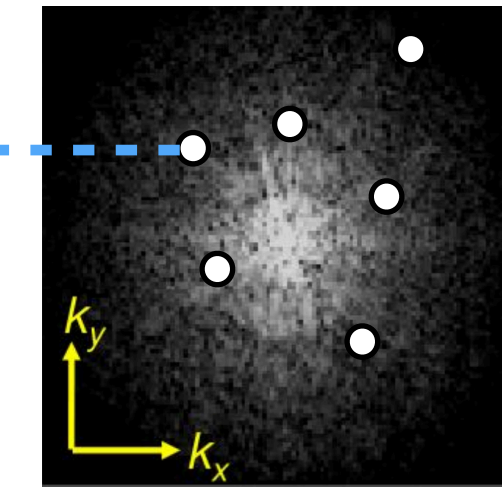
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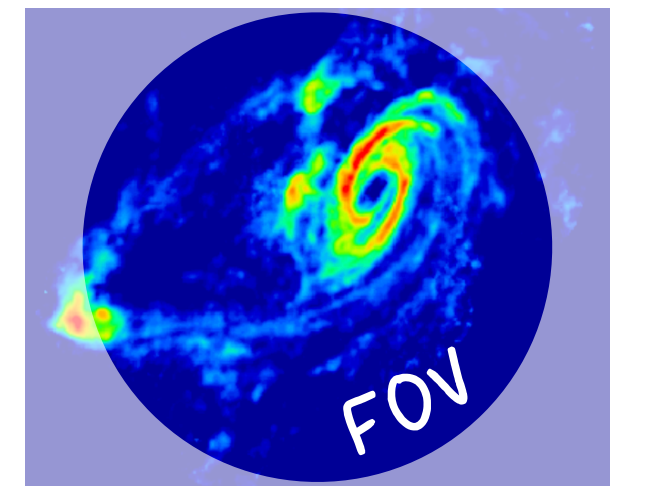
2D Fourier
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visibilities ν_{kj}



$\mathcal{F}[\sigma^\circ]$

FT



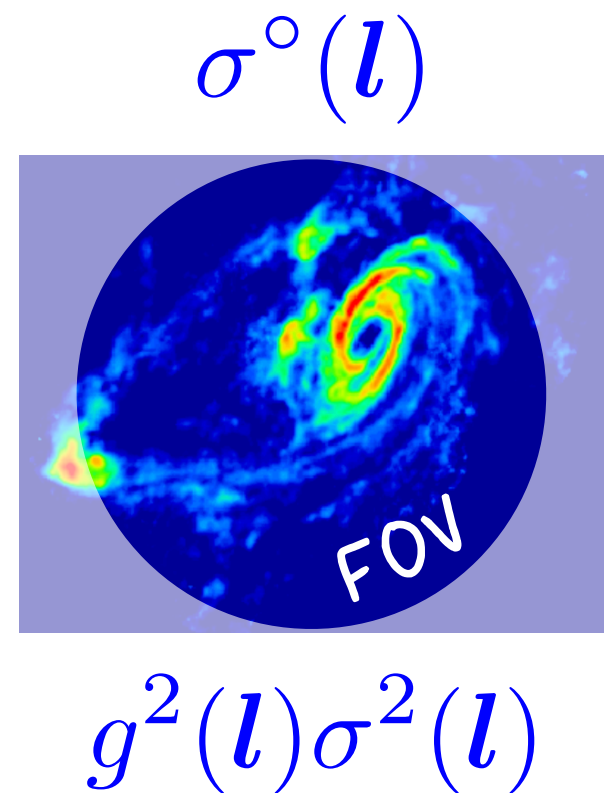
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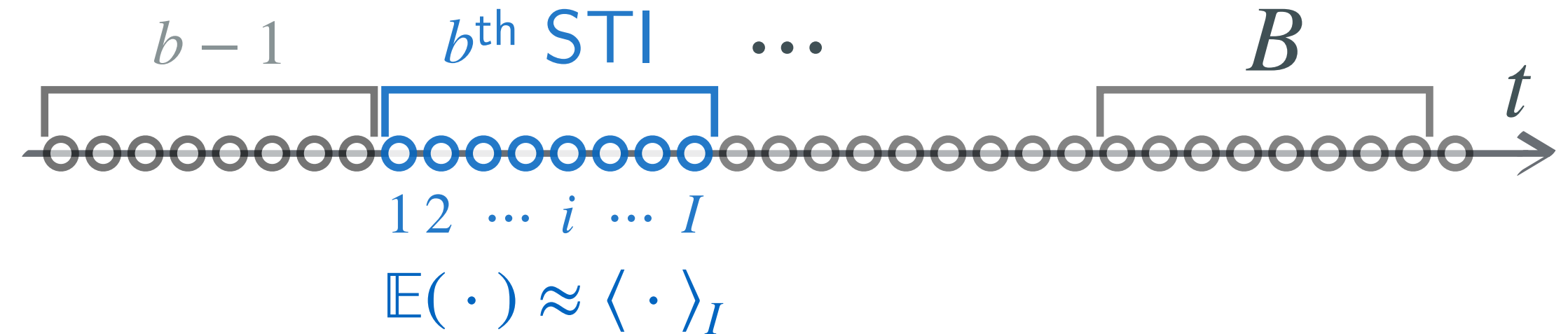
In practice \rightarrow time averaging

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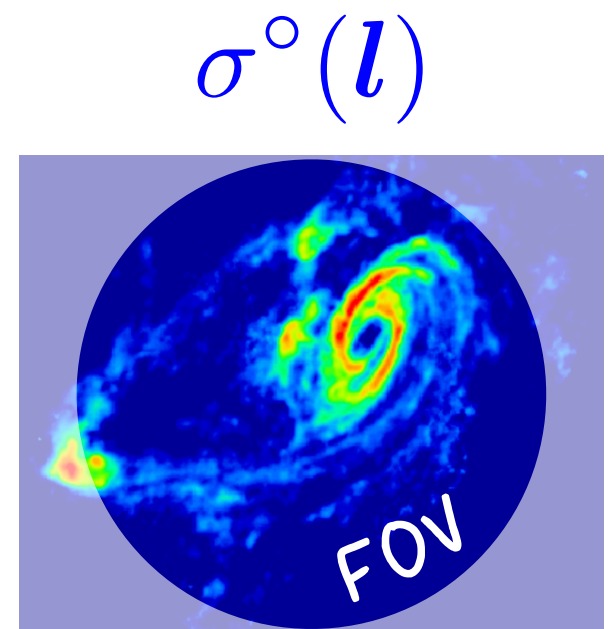
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Eppur si muove



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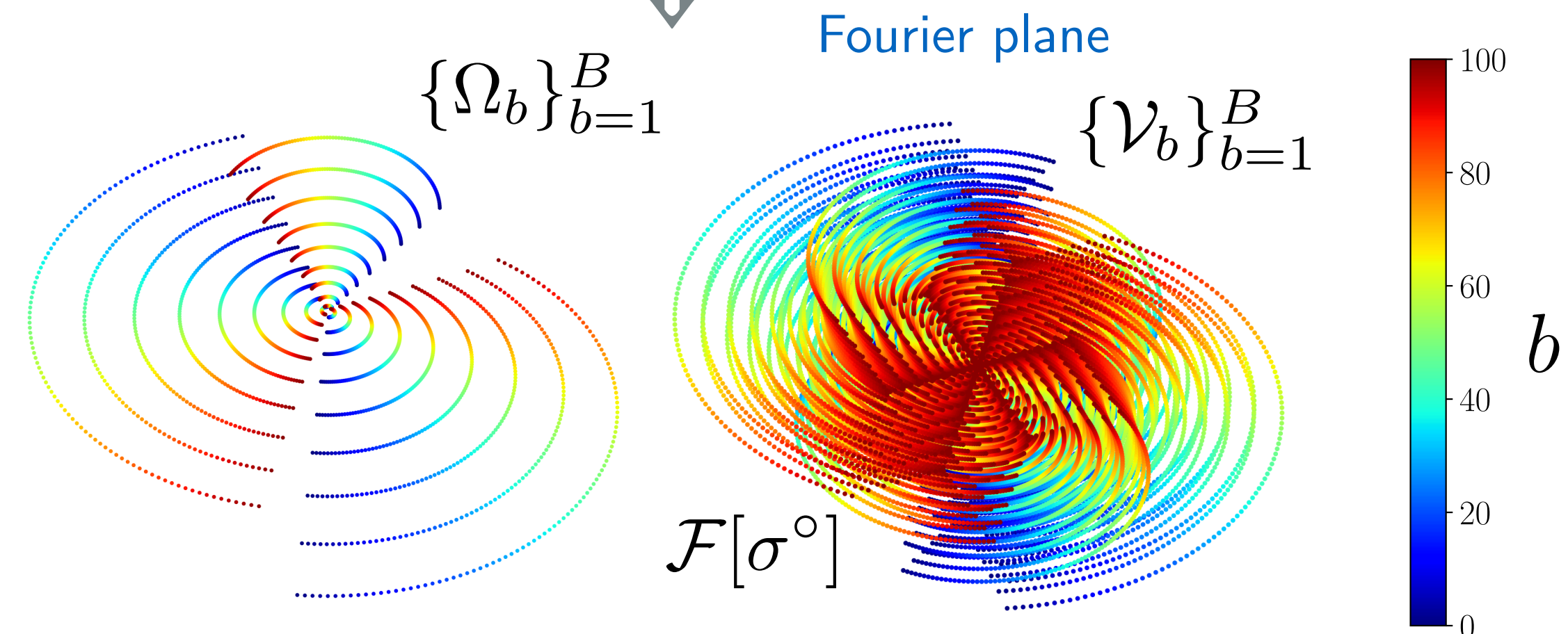
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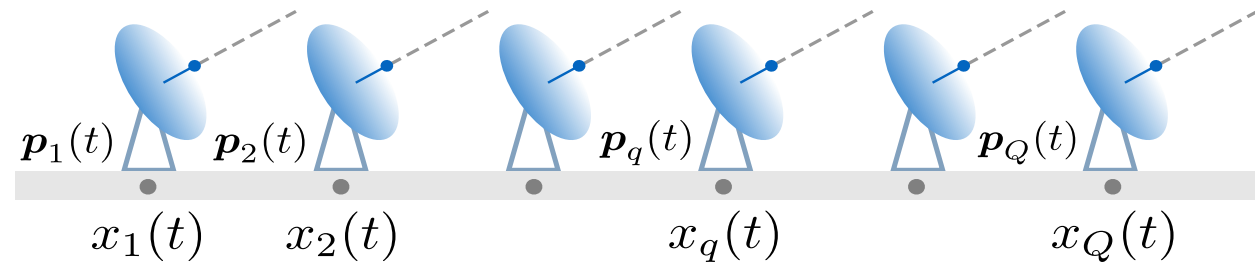


$O(Q^2)$ visibilities per STI
 $\rightarrow O(Q^2 B)$ in total

Radio interferometric sensing model

Two sensing operators :

Acquisition
model



(antennas level)

$$\mathbf{x}(t)$$

(QBI)

Sampling B STIs, $b \in [B]$

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(correlator) ↓

(QBI → Q²B)

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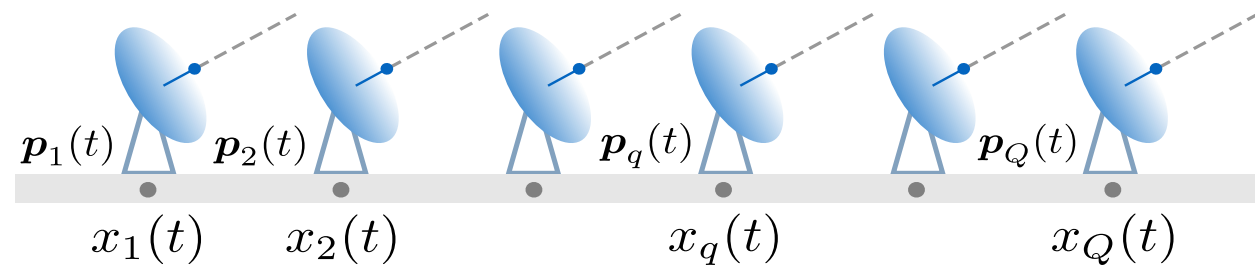
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Imaging model

(for image reconstruction)



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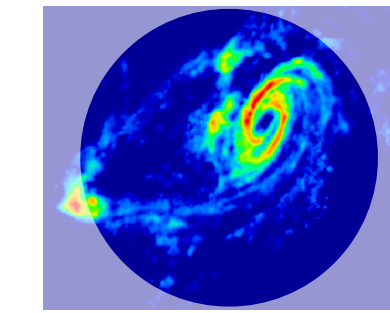
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Q²B values

VCZ

equal in expectation

(image level)



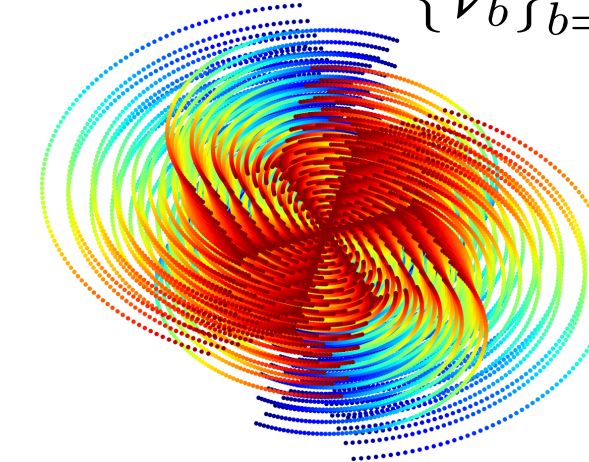
$$\sigma^\circ(\mathbf{l})$$

Sampling over a N-pixel grid

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} \in \mathbb{R}^N$$

Given

$$\{\mathcal{V}_b\}_{b=1}^B =: \mathcal{V}$$



Q²B visibilities

(reconstruction level)

Imaging operator

$$\boldsymbol{\sigma} \xrightarrow{\text{NFFT}} \Phi[\boldsymbol{\sigma}] = \mathcal{F}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}](\mathcal{V}) = \{\mathcal{I}_b(\boldsymbol{\sigma})\}_{b=1}^B$$

Q²B values

(N → Q²B)

Imaging with radio-interferometry

Inverse problem solving:

$$\text{Find a valid } \tilde{\sigma} \text{ such that } \Phi[\tilde{\sigma}] \approx \Psi(\mathcal{X})$$

↑
Prior (sparsity)

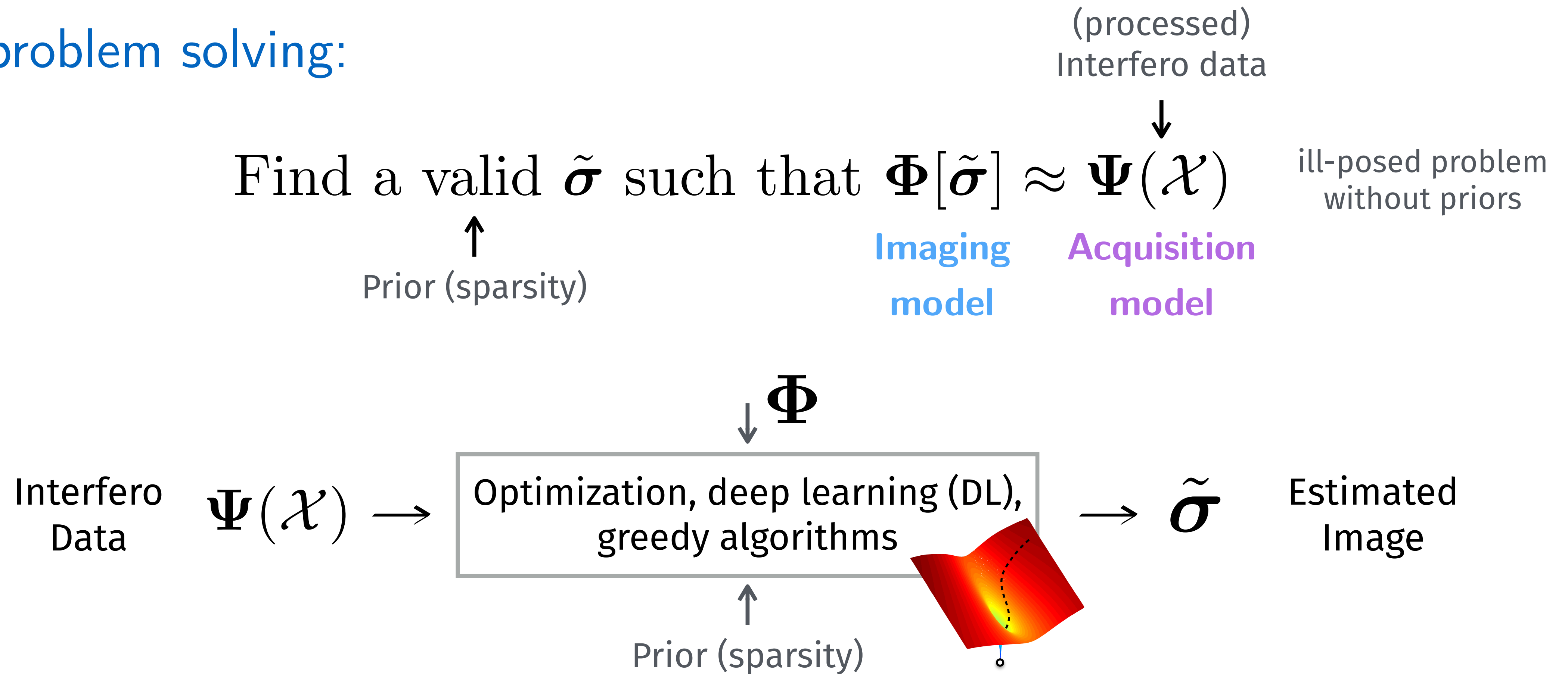
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Interfero data
↓

Imaging model Acquisition model

ill-posed problem
without priors

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Example of algorithms:

CLEAN (greedy, aka Matching Pursuit), Basis Pursuit (optim), uSARA (optim), R2D2 (DL)

Challenges in radio-interferometry

Massive data stream 🐘

- ◉ #visibilities $\mathcal{V} = \cup_{b=1}^B \mathcal{V}_b \rightarrow O(Q^2 B)$
e.g., for the square-kilometer array (SKA)
 $Q = O(10^5)$, $B = O(100) \rightarrow$ Storing $O(10^7)$ visibilities 😱
- ◉ Computing $\mathcal{F}[\sigma^\circ](\mathcal{V})$ via all $\{\mathbf{C}_b\}_{b=1}^B$ (with $I = O(10^9)$)
 \rightarrow (Roughly) $O(IB Q^2) = O(10^9 \cdot 10^2 \cdot 10^{10}) = O(10^{21})$



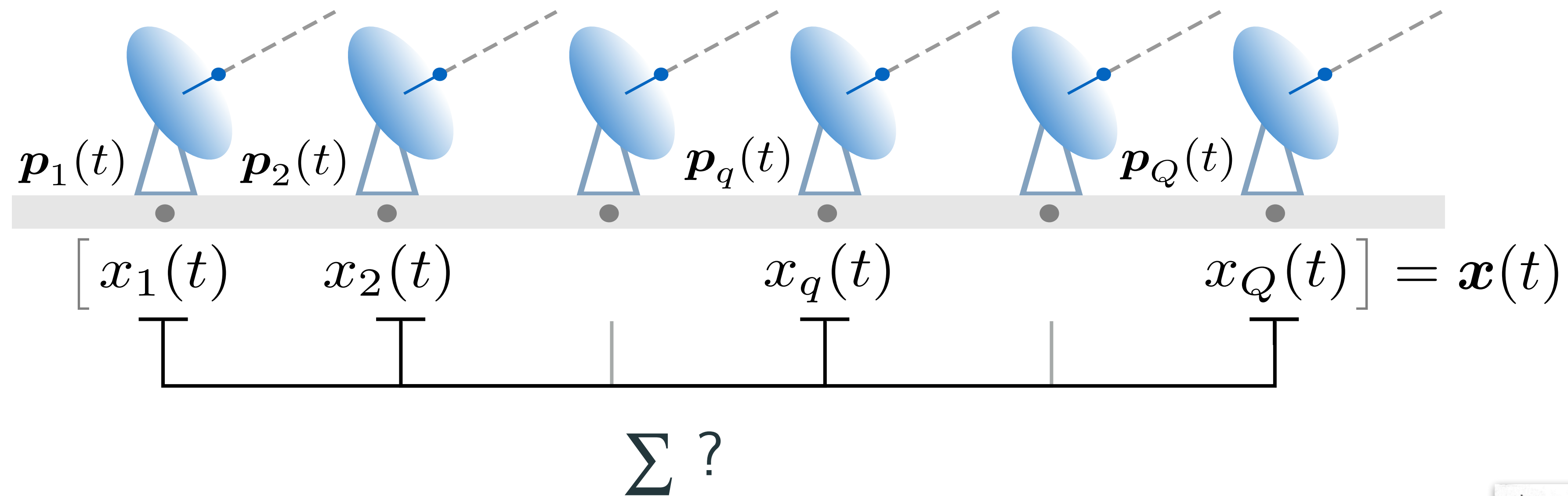
Solution: compressive radio-interferometric (RI) sensing scheme

- ◉ Dress up an old scheme, *beamforming*, in new clothes
- ◉ Compress measurements at **antenna** & **reconstruction** levels
- ◉ Supported by theoretical guarantees (under a few simplifications)

Compressive radio astronomy with rank-one projections and an old trick

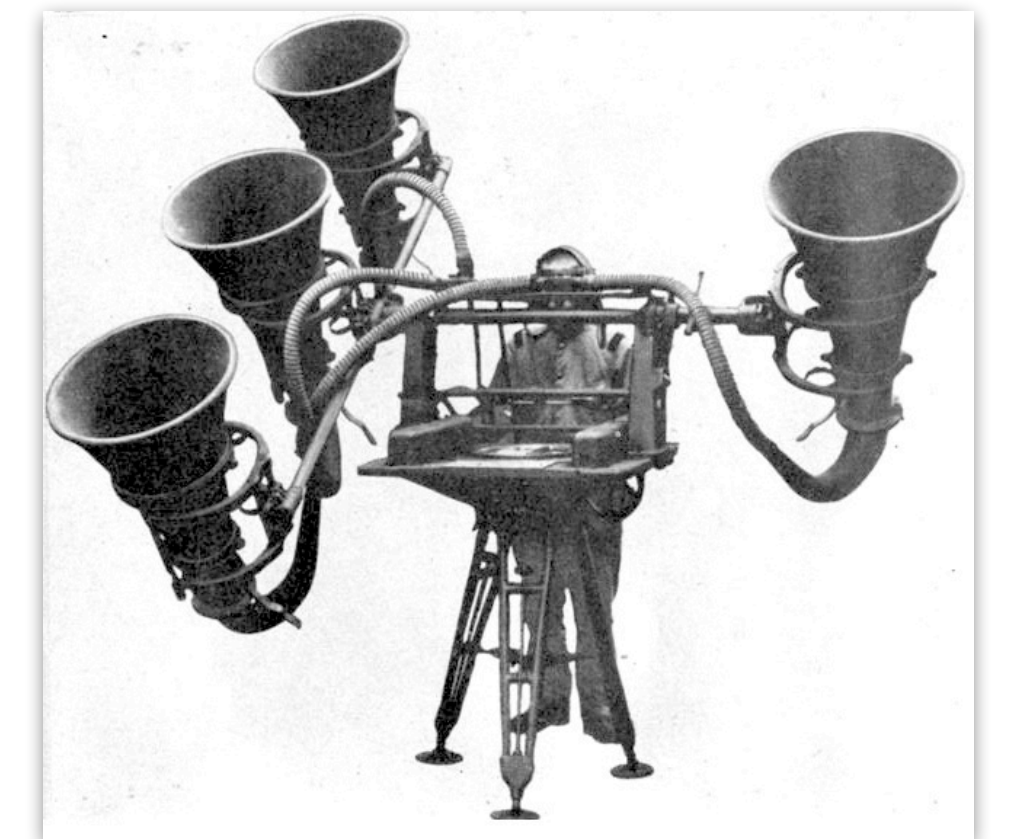
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Beamforming \equiv
creating virtual antenna for

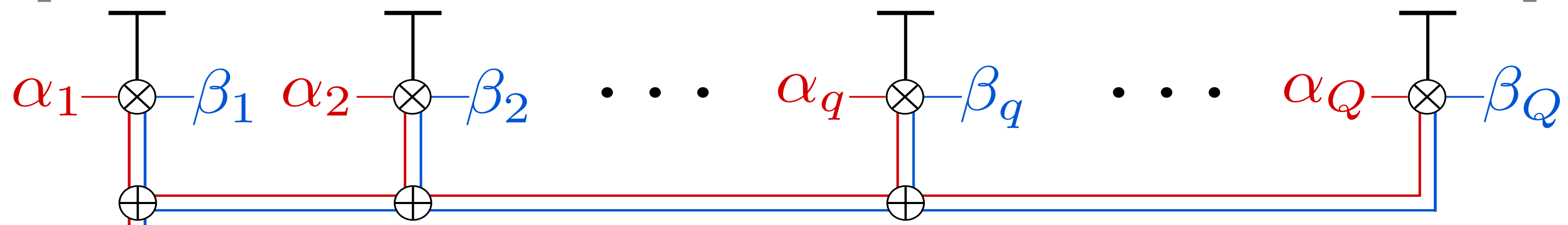
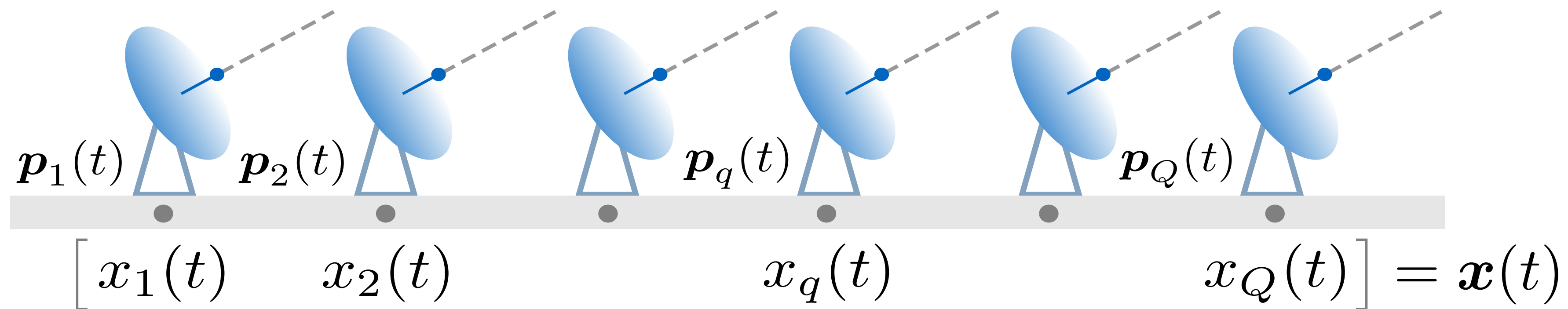
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- directionality, ...



Acoustic radar, Japan (1930)

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2 virtual antennas $\mu(t), \nu(t)$

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$$= \langle \boldsymbol{\alpha}, \mathbf{x}(t) \rangle$$

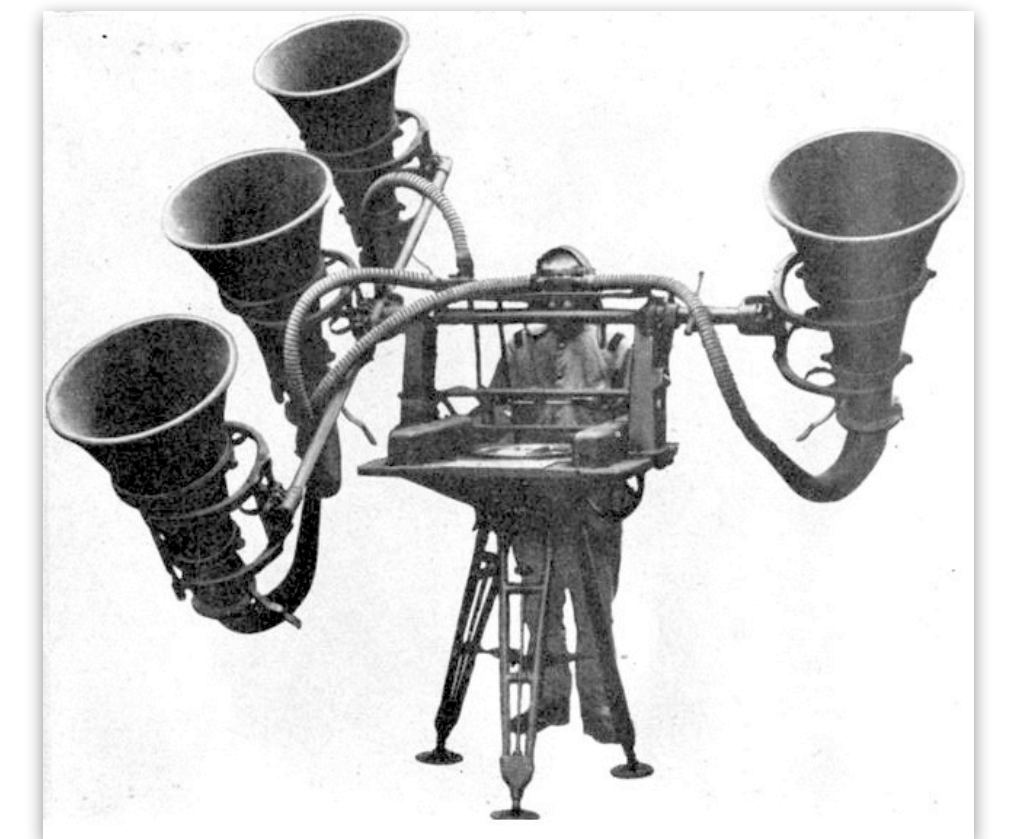
$$\nu(t) = \sum_{q=1}^Q \beta_q^* x_q(t)$$

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Beamforming \equiv

optimising α_q, β_q for, e.g.,

- spatial filtering,
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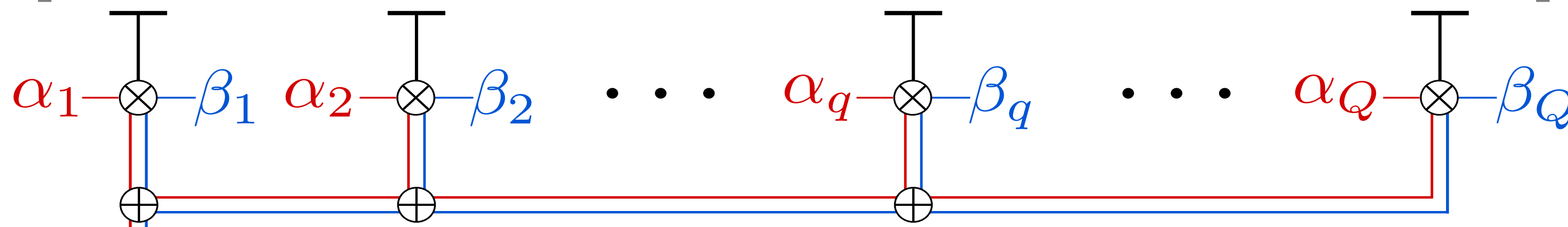
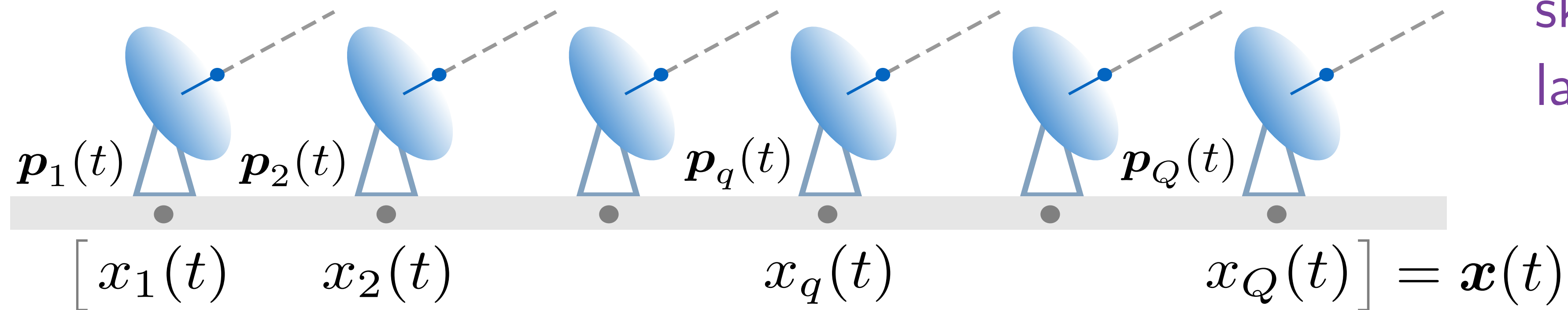
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Given Q complex weights α_q, β_q

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sketch-forming,
lazy-forming



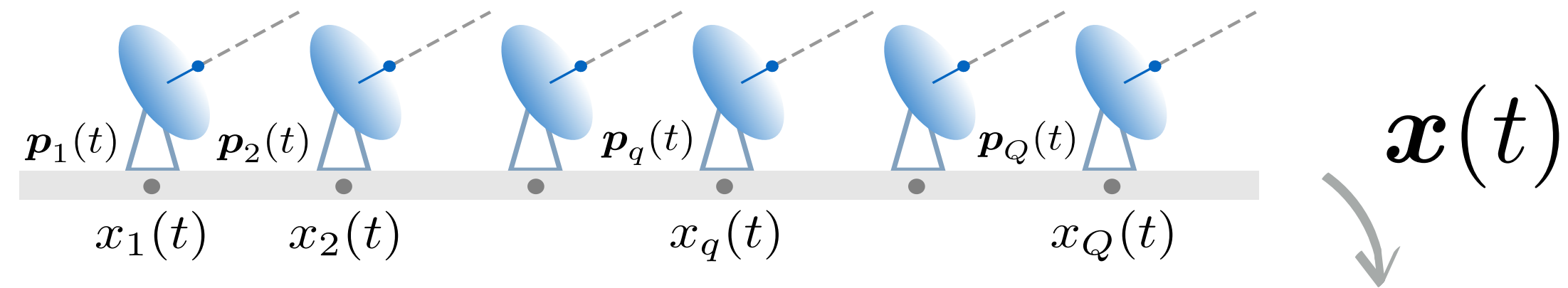
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with $(\mathcal{I}_\Omega[\sigma^\circ])_{jk} = \mathcal{F}[\sigma^\circ] \left(\frac{\mathbf{p}_k^\perp - \mathbf{p}_j^\perp}{\lambda} \right)$

\rightarrow Let's take $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$ & $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ randomly and compute P ROPs per time/STI

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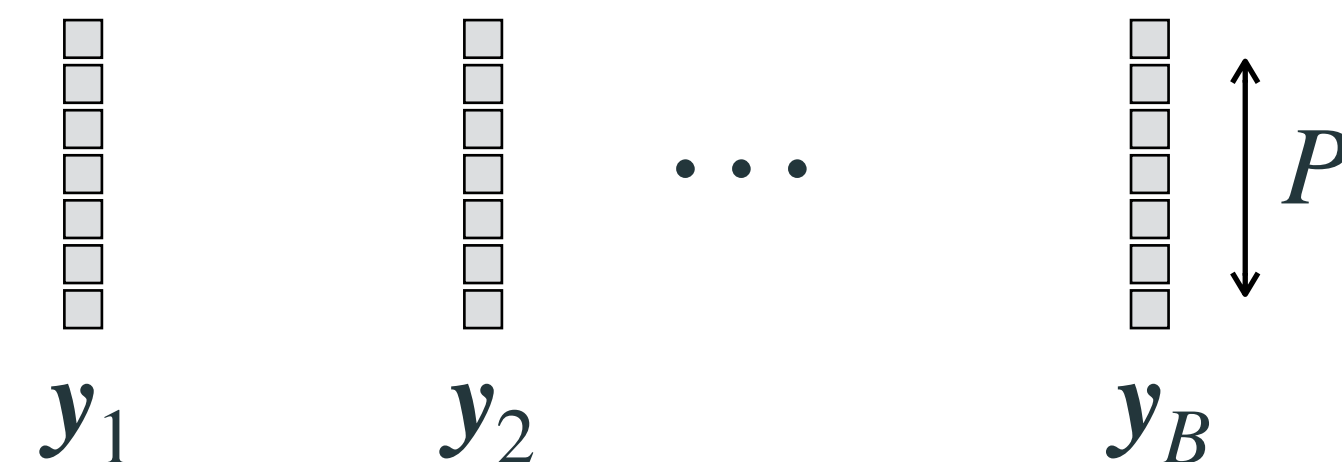
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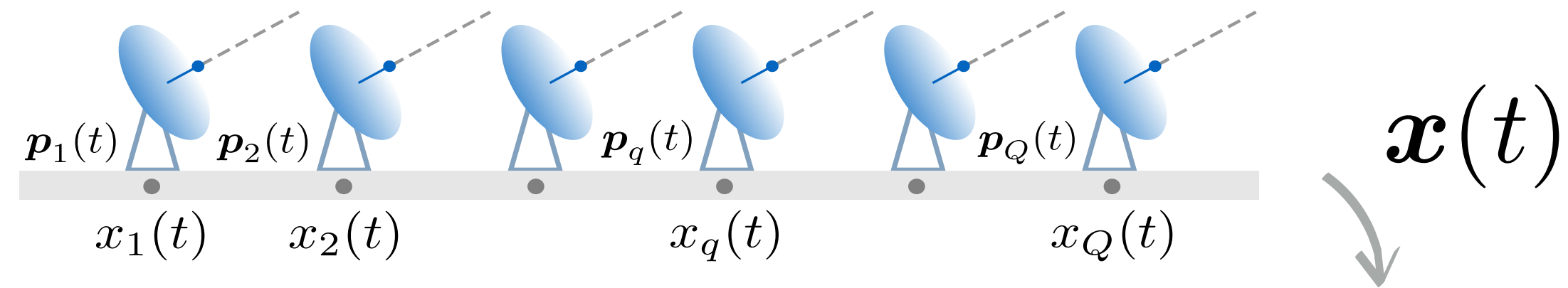


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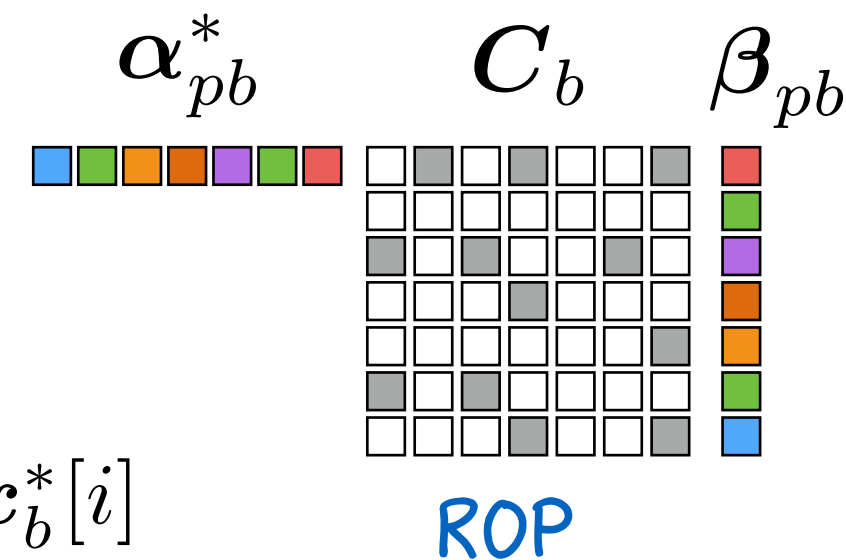
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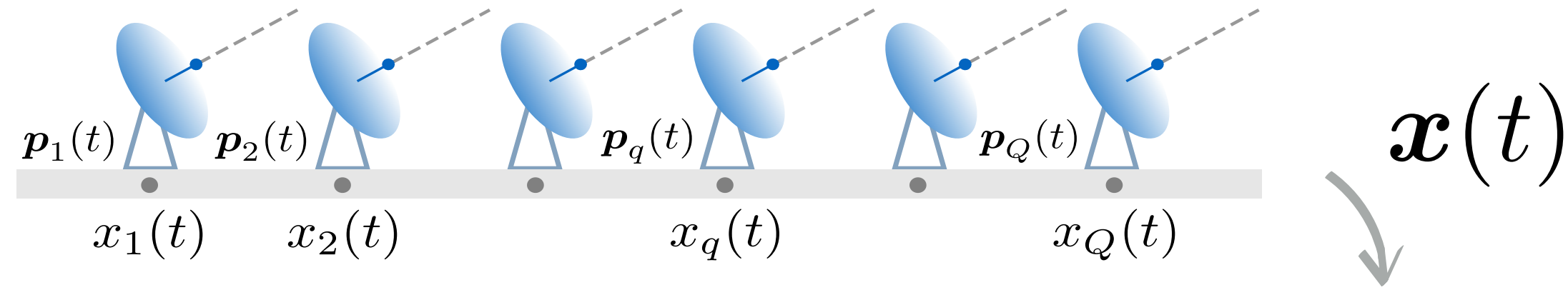
$$\gamma_1 \begin{matrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{matrix} + \gamma_2 \begin{matrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{matrix} + \dots + \gamma_B \begin{matrix} \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \\ \square \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} \updownarrow \\ P \end{matrix} = \mathbf{z}$$

$\mathbf{y}_1 \quad \mathbf{y}_2 \quad \mathbf{y}_B$

Let's modulate and sum M times

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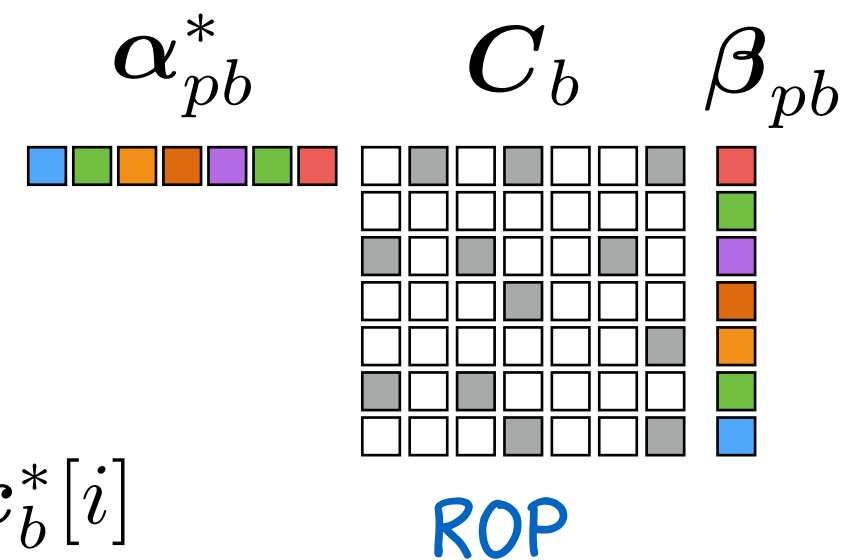
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($PB \rightarrow PM$)

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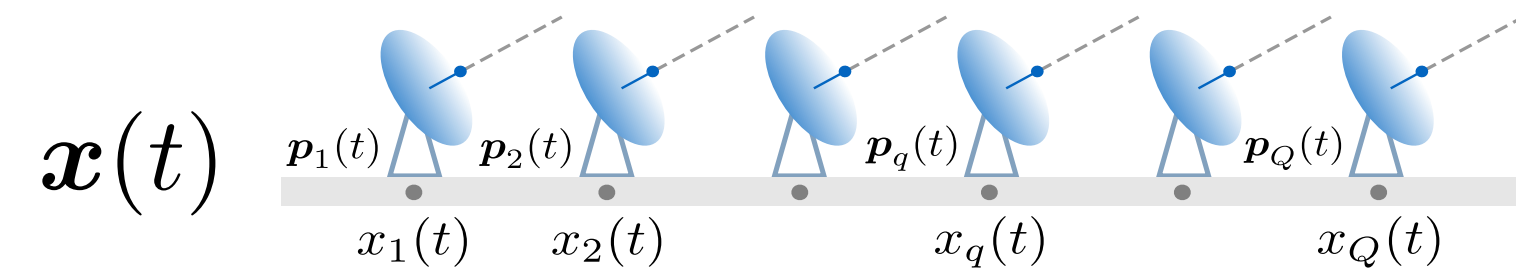
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PM values

$$\equiv \text{ROP of } \mathbf{C} := \text{bdiag}(\mathbf{C}_1, \dots, \mathbf{C}_B)$$

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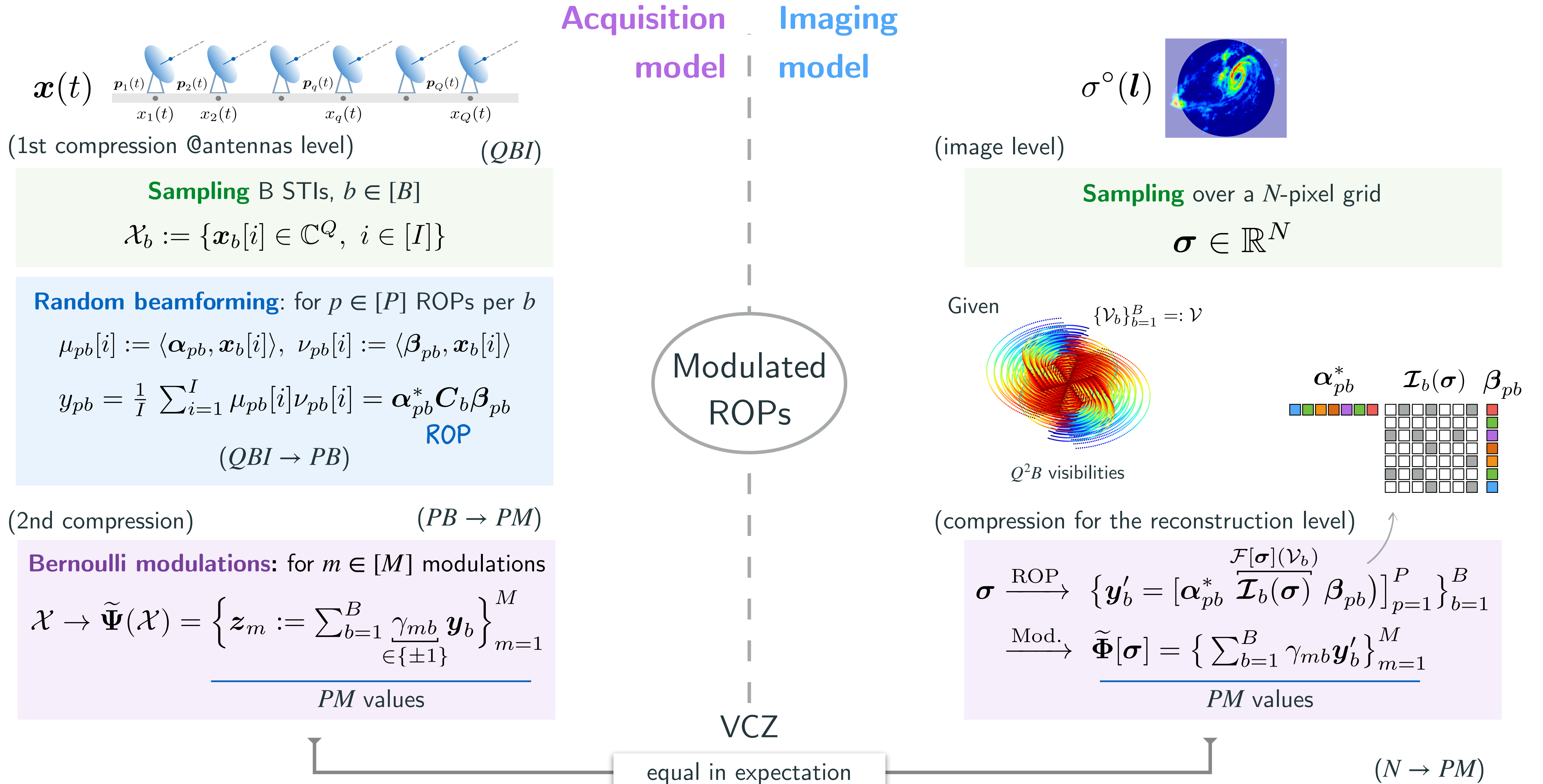
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Modulated
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Reconstruction guarantees?

Questions:

- For which (distribution on) $\{\alpha_{pb}, \beta_{pb}, \gamma_{mb}\}$ can we estimate the image σ ?
- Which compression ratios can we reach?

Our answers:

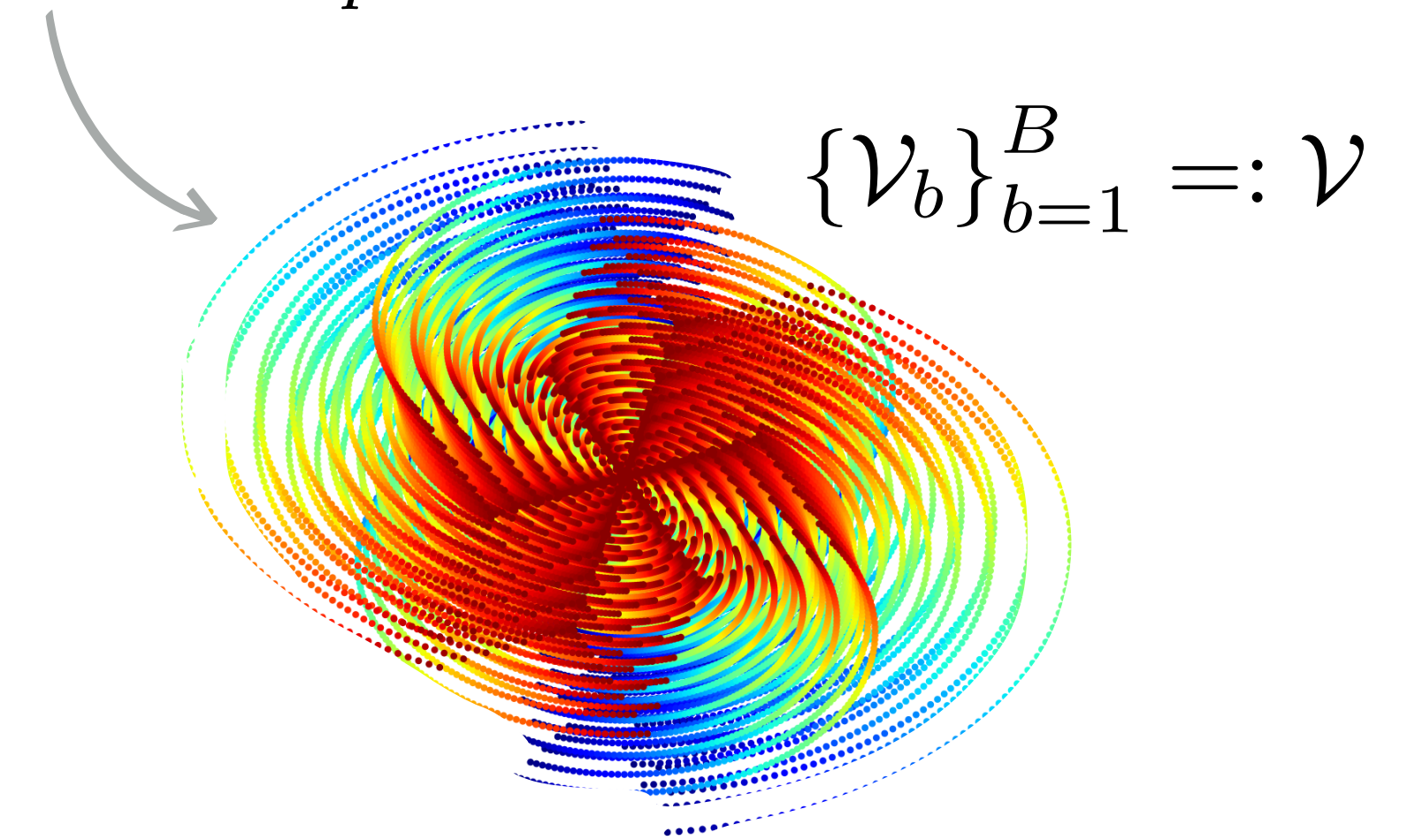
1. **Theory:** ok if $\{\alpha_{pb}, \beta_{pb}\}$ are random and (sub)Gaussian
but without modulations ($\gamma_{mb} = 1, M = 1$) and P large enough
2. **Experiments:** ok if $\{\alpha_{pb}, \beta_{pb}, \gamma_{mb}\}$ are random and (sub)Gaussian

Reconstruction guarantees? Theory for a simplified scenario

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$\{\mathcal{V}_b\}_{b=1}^B =: \mathcal{V}$

(under specific simplifying assumptions)

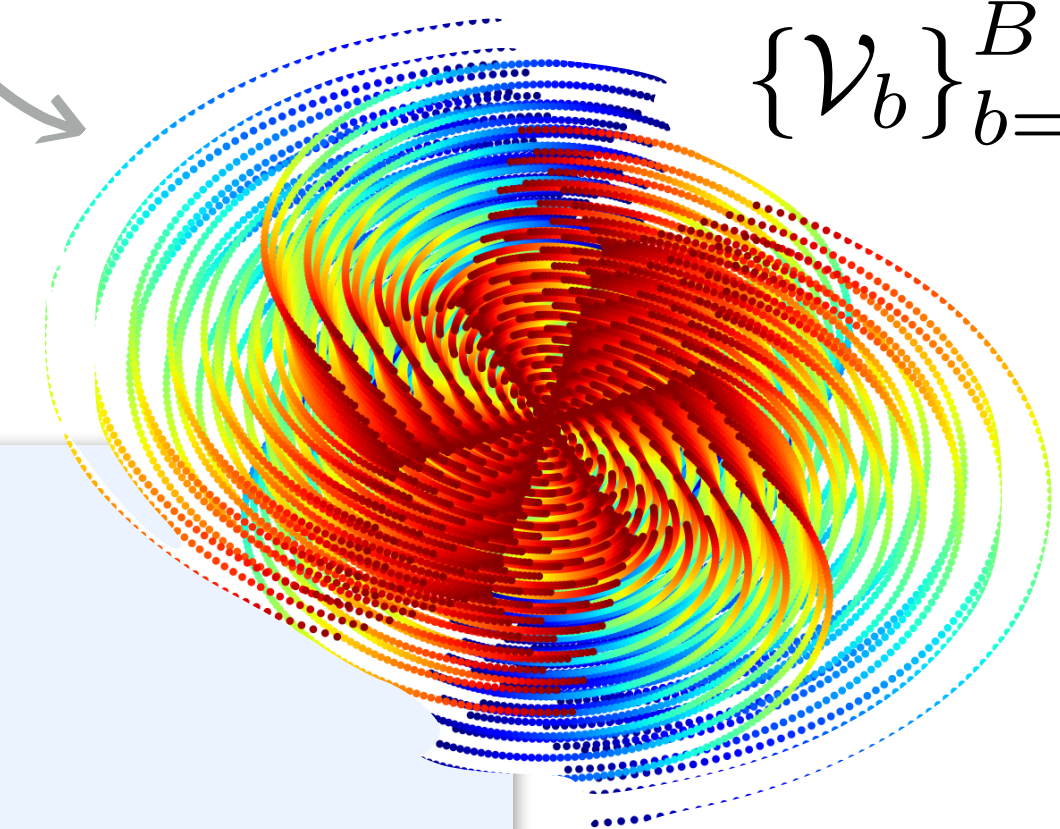
If $\{\boldsymbol{\alpha}_{pb}, \boldsymbol{\beta}_{pb}\}$ are (sub)Gaussian, given a sparsity level K

and provided $P = O(K)$ and $Q^2 B = O(K)$ (up to logs),

then, with high probability, given the observations $\mathbf{z} = \tilde{\Phi}[\boldsymbol{\sigma}] + \underbrace{\text{noise}}_{\|\cdot\|_1 \leq \epsilon}$,
an ℓ_1 -minimization gives an estimate $\boldsymbol{\sigma}'$ with

$$\|\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}'\|_2 \leq C \frac{\|\boldsymbol{\sigma} - \boldsymbol{\sigma}_K\|_1}{\sqrt{K}} + D \frac{\epsilon}{N_p}$$

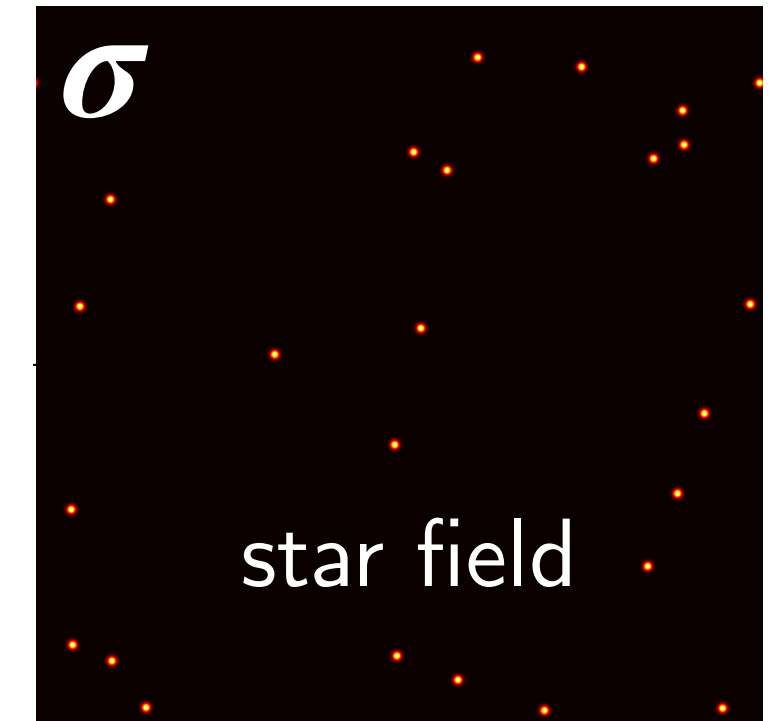
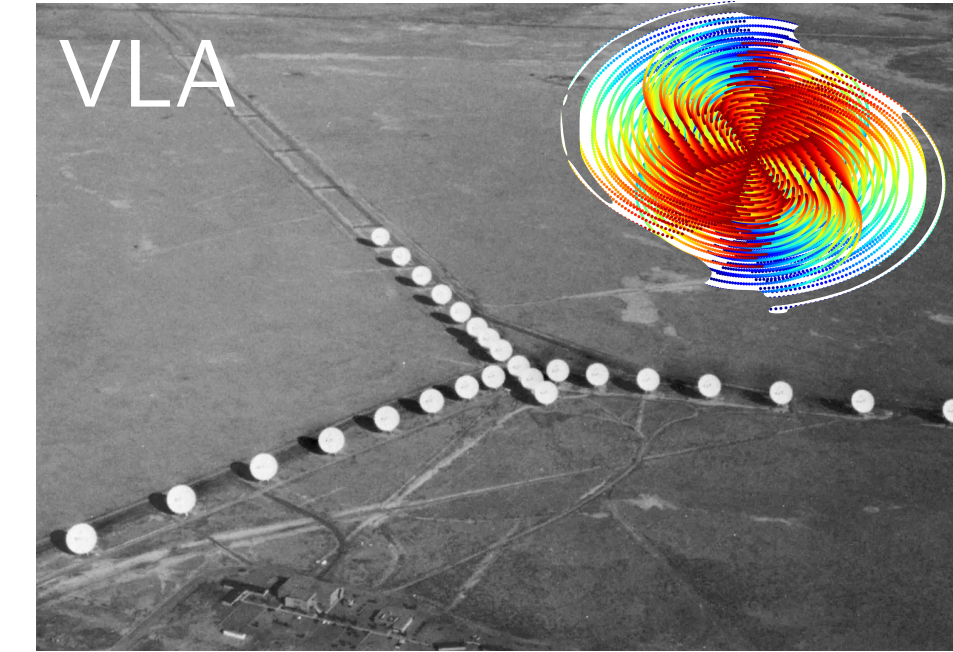
for some $C, D > 0$.



Reconstruction guarantees? Simulations

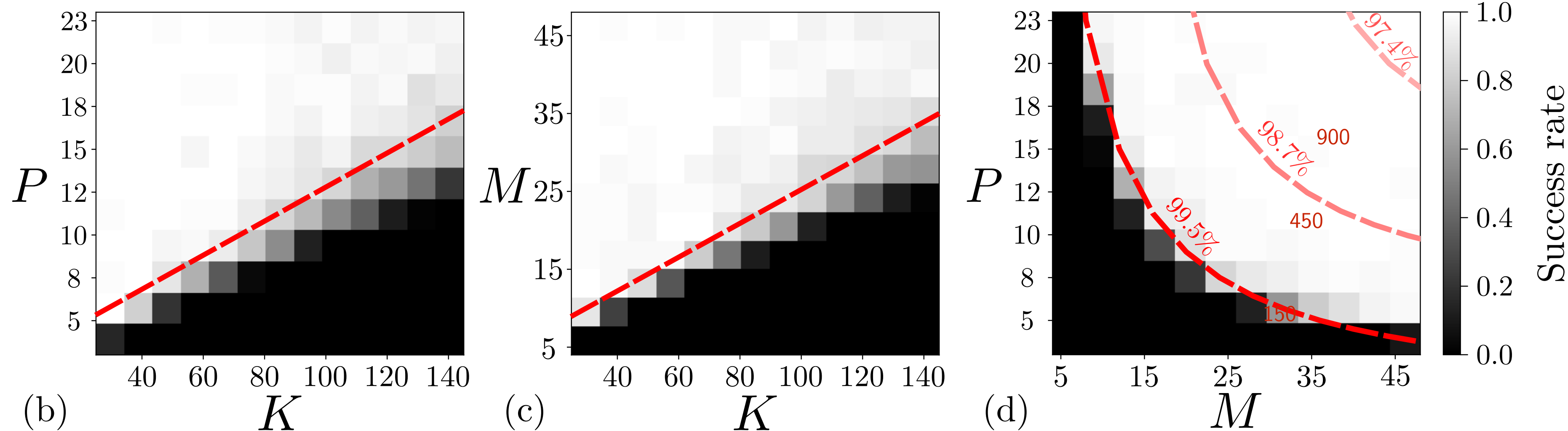
Modulated ROP model (MROP):

- Monte Carlo simulations
- $N = 10^4$, $B = 100$, $Q = 27$
- Various K, P, M
- Very Large Array (VLA) visibility/frequency coverage



$N = 100 \times 100$

Phase transition diagrams (success if SNR > 40 dB)



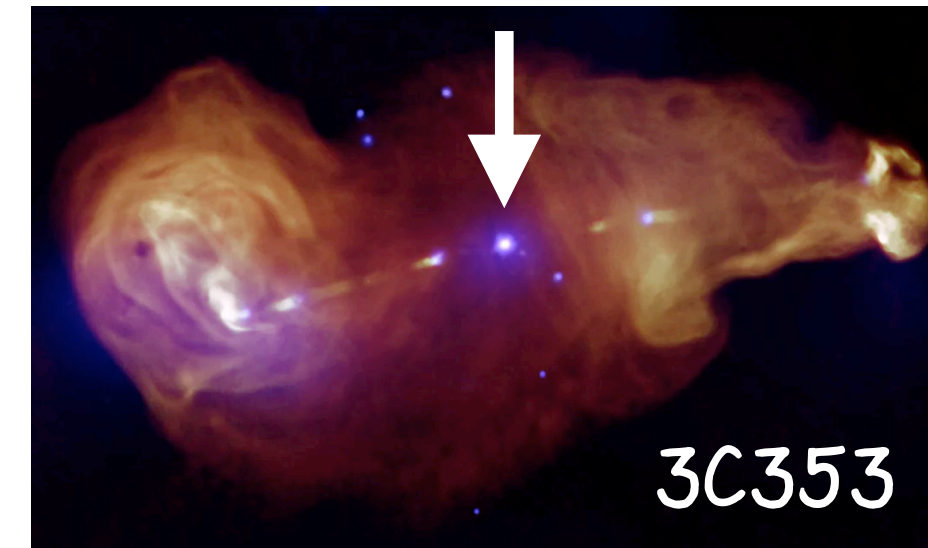
High reconstruction success as soon as $PM \geq CK$, with $C \simeq 5$.

$$\rightarrow PM \ll Q^2 B = 70\,200$$

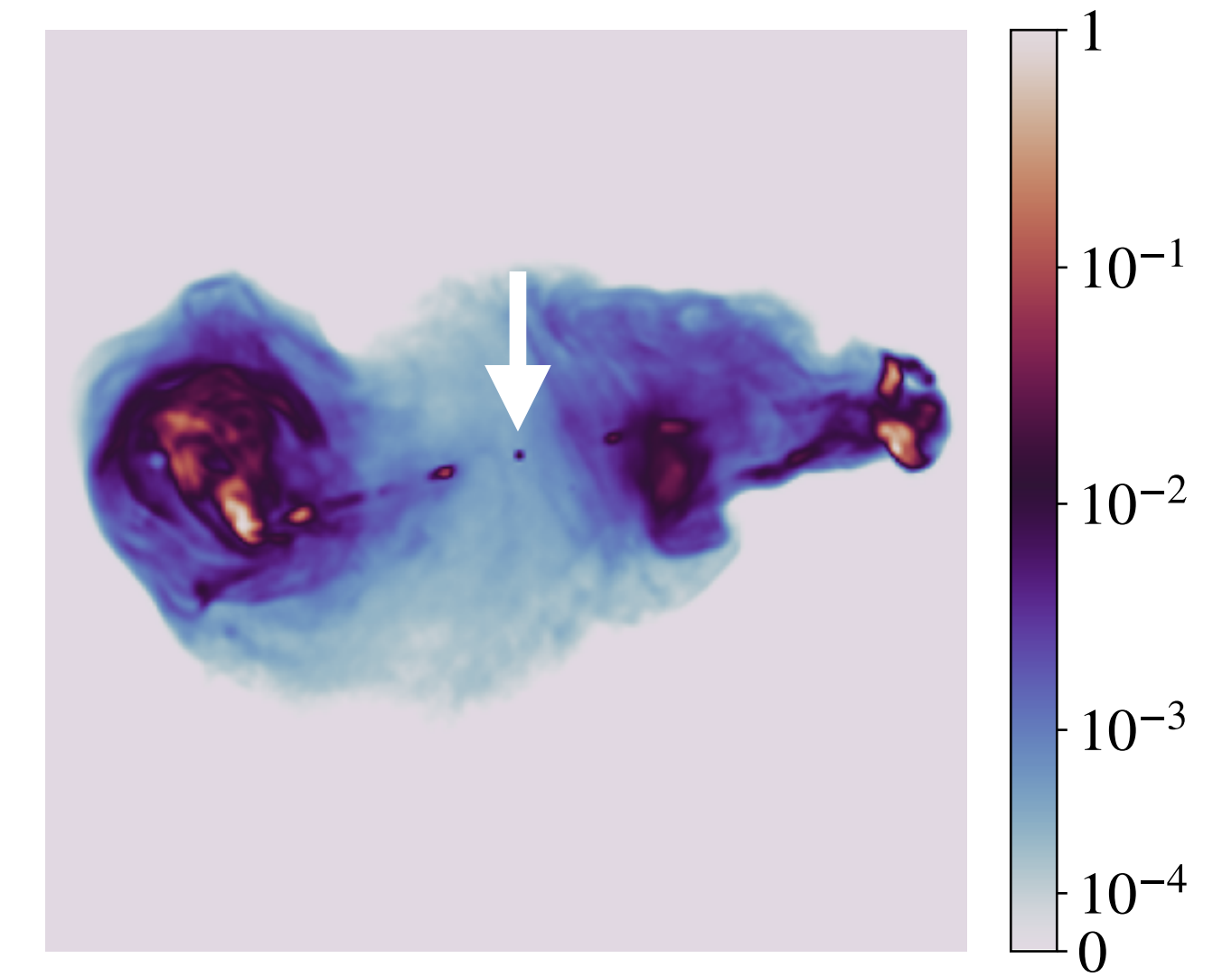
Radio Galaxy 3C353, uSARA reconstruction

Reconstruction for the image of the Radio Galaxy 3C353

- Classical reconstruction \equiv all visibilities
- Basic subsampled visibilities
- Baseline dependent averaging (BDA*)
- and, ours, the MROP sensing models

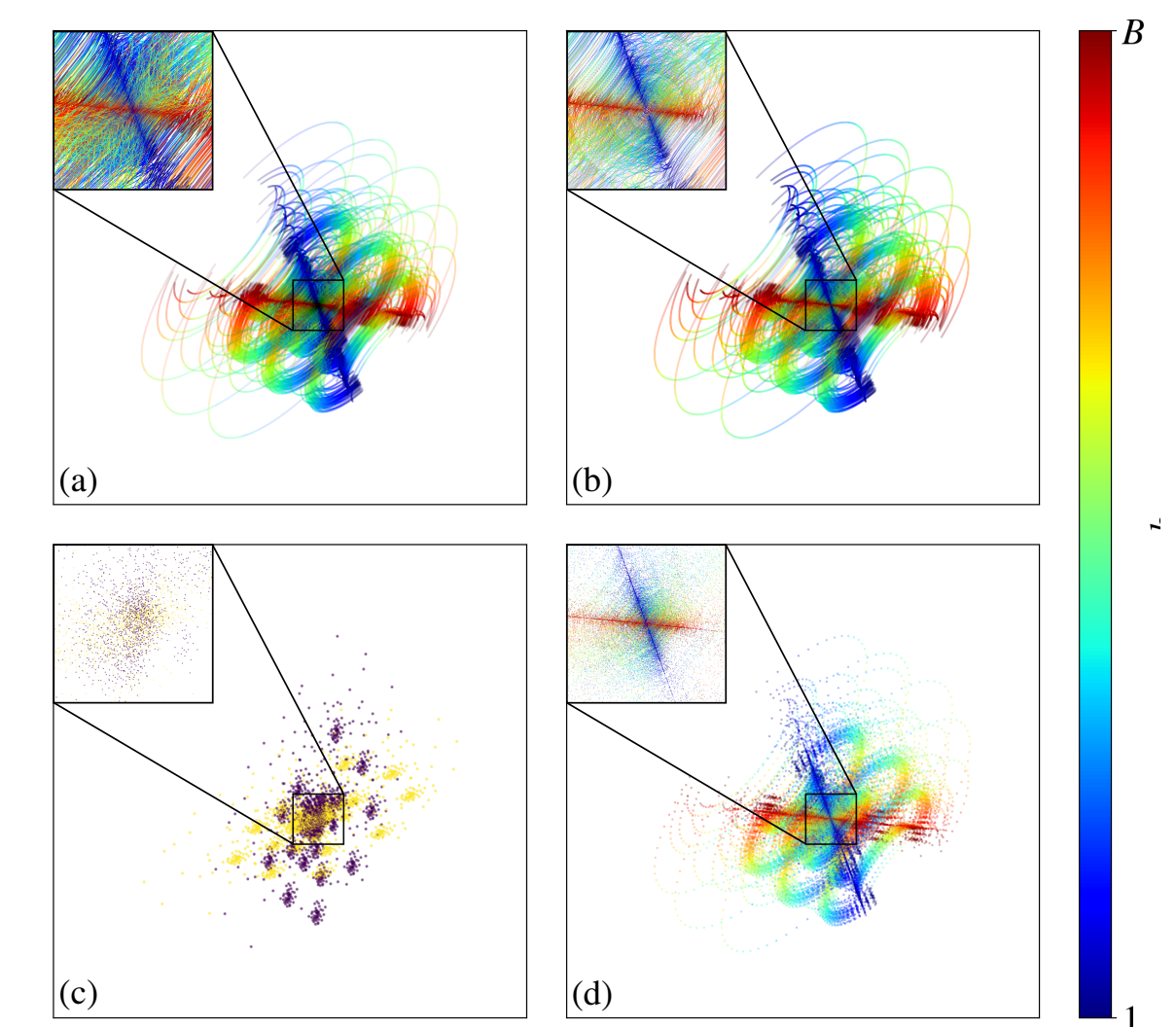


Chandra & VLA



Parameters:

- #Visibilities ($V = Q^2 B$) / #Pixels (N) = 14.5
- Total number of measurements: $D = PM$
- ROP compressions levels: D/N
 $\in \{9.8 \cdot 10^{-1}, 3.8 \cdot 10^{-1}, 6.1 \cdot 10^{-2}\}$
- Simulated MeerKat visibilities ($Q=64$)
- uSARA reconstruction (Terris et al, 2022)
(inverse problem solving with “average sparsity” prior)



MeerKat visibilities

* S.J. Wijnholds et al (2018)

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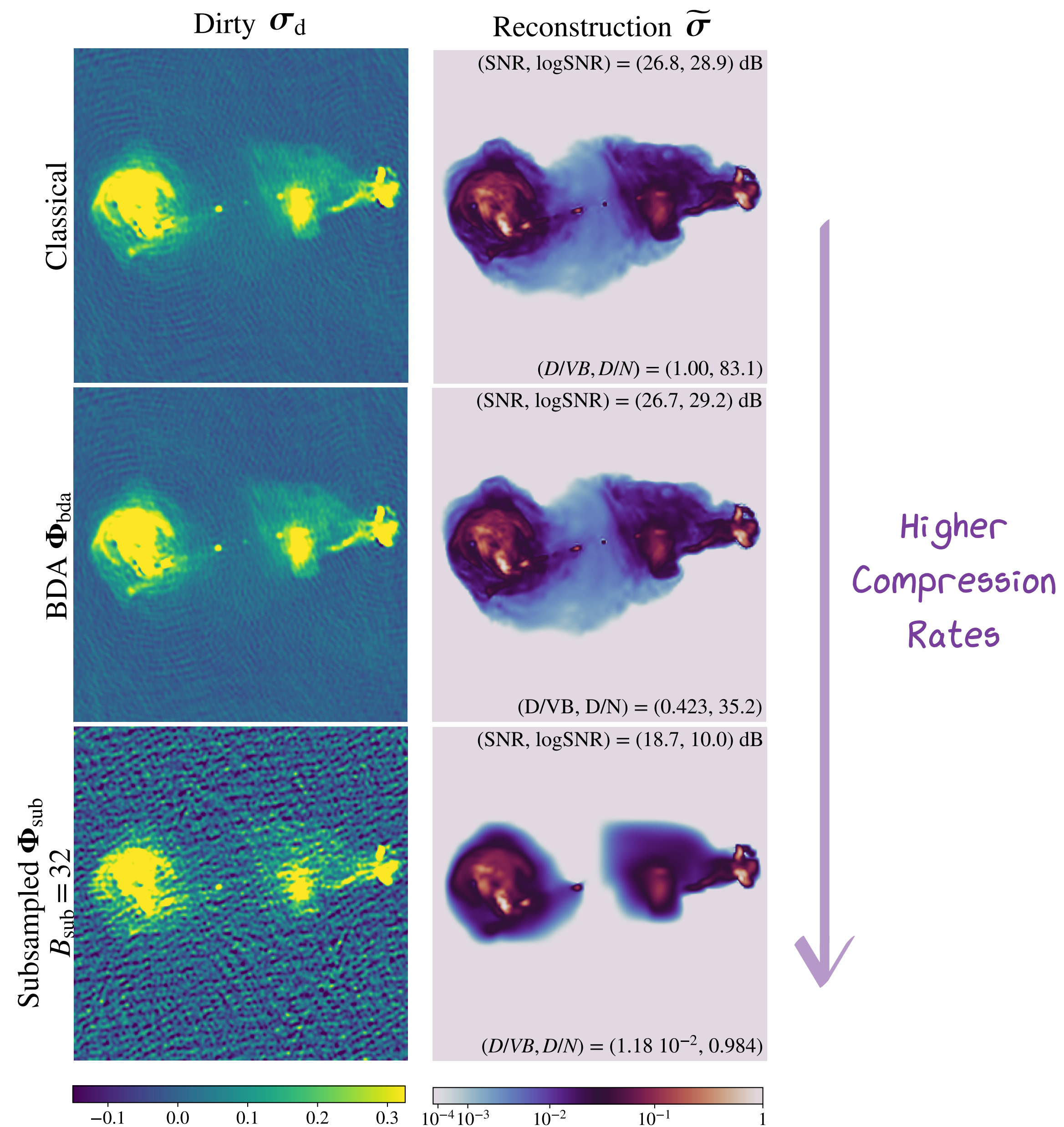
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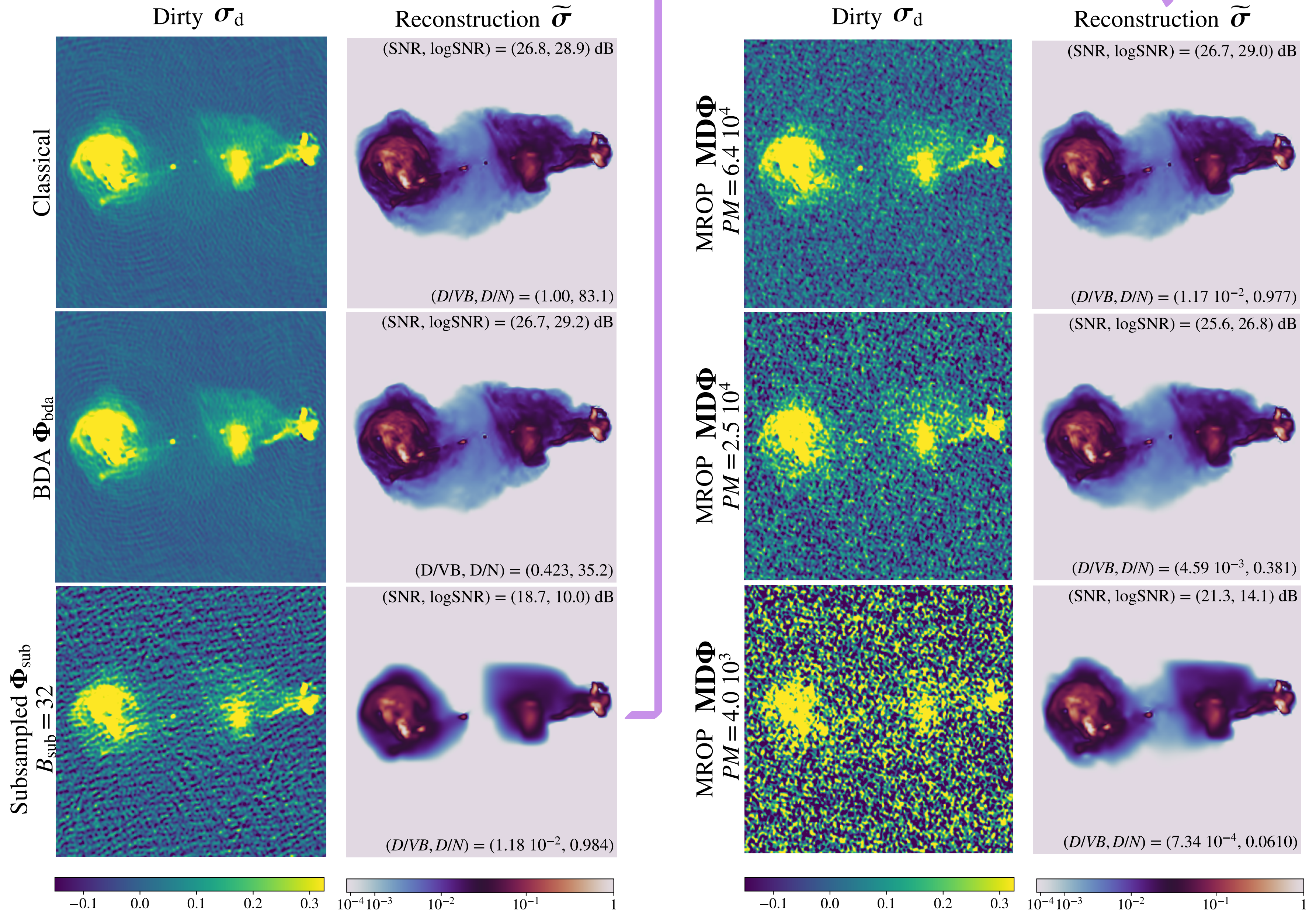
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Open questions:

- ◉ Integrating frequency weighting?
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Thank you for your attention!

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Extra slides

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Measurement compression: for $\gamma^{(g)} \sim \mathcal{U}\{\pm 1\}^B$, $1 \leq g \leq G$,

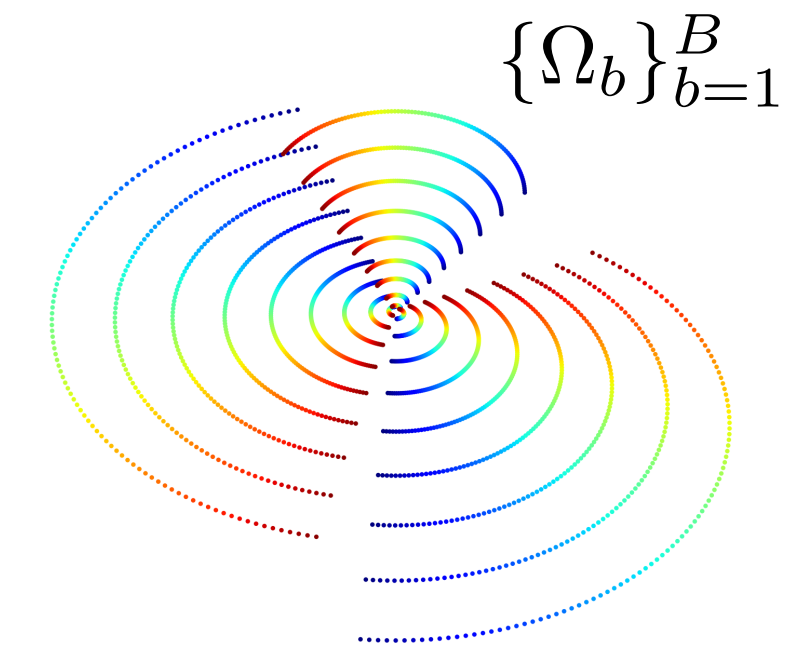
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? Research question: Can we estimate θ from \mathbf{z} ?

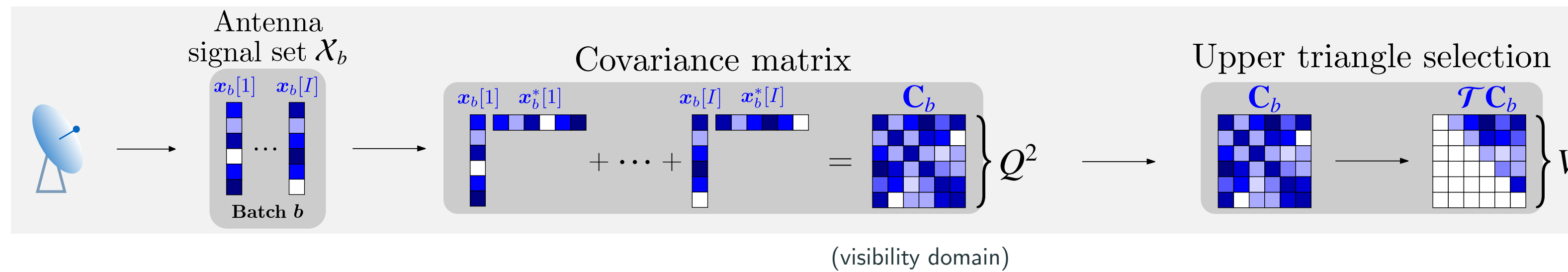


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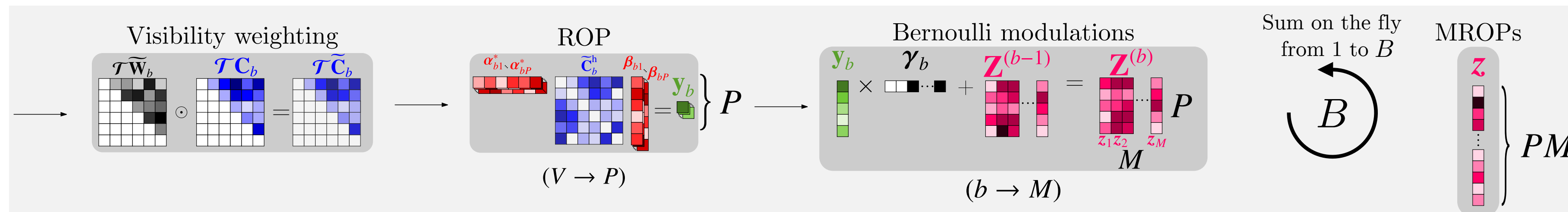
Visibility-based acquisition of MROP



at each STI (b), compute the covariance matrix (classical)



then do ROP across STIs after visibility weighting



(compressive interferometry #1)

Lensless interferometry & rank-one projections



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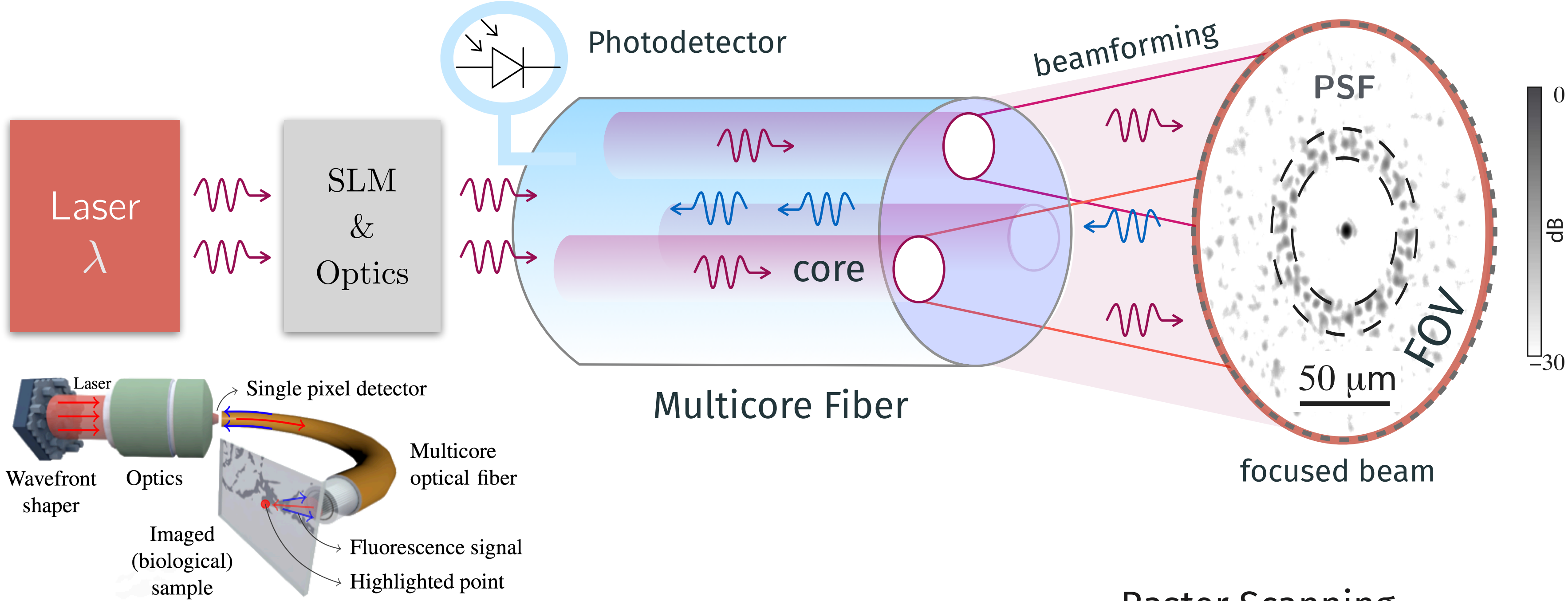
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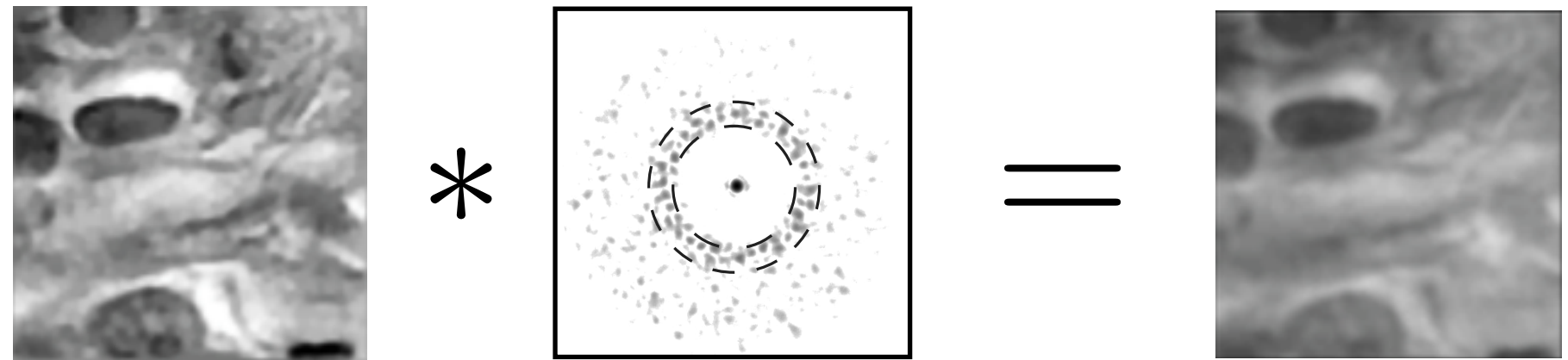
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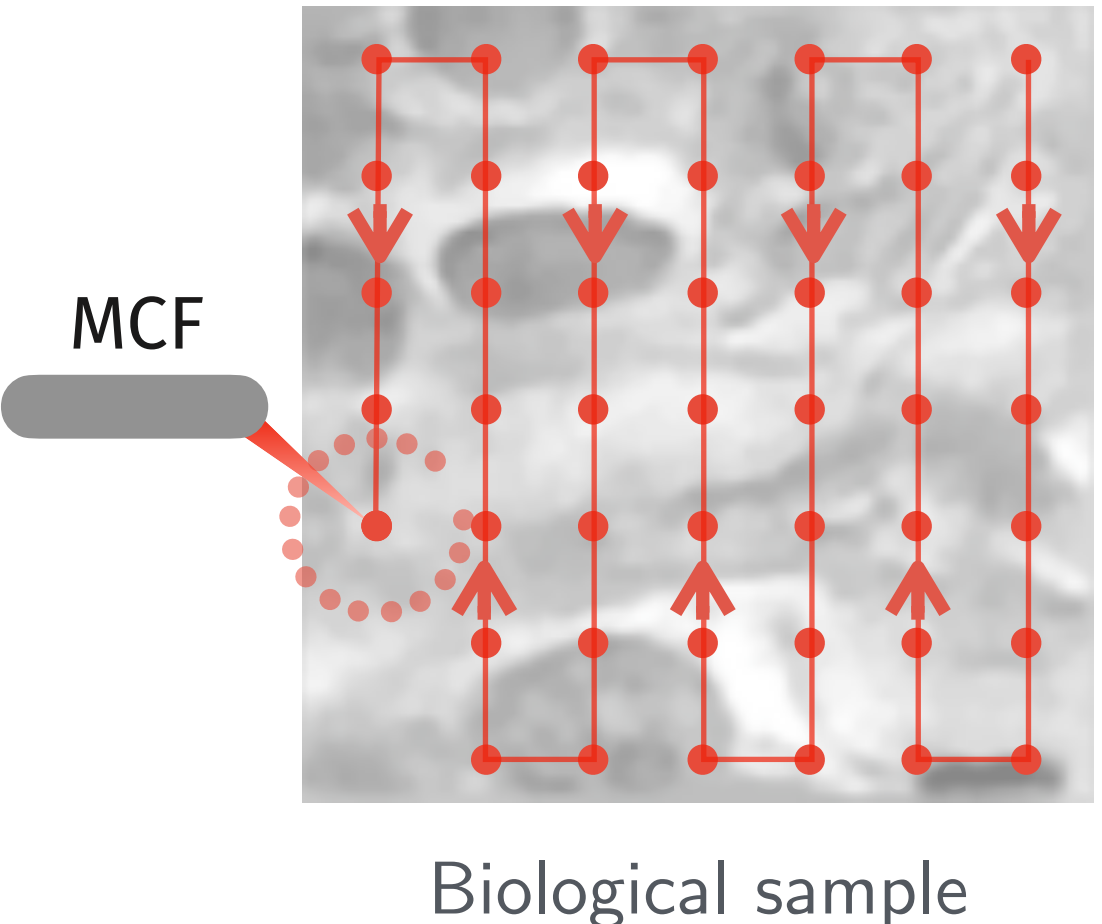
Lensless endoscopy: focused mode



Sensing model



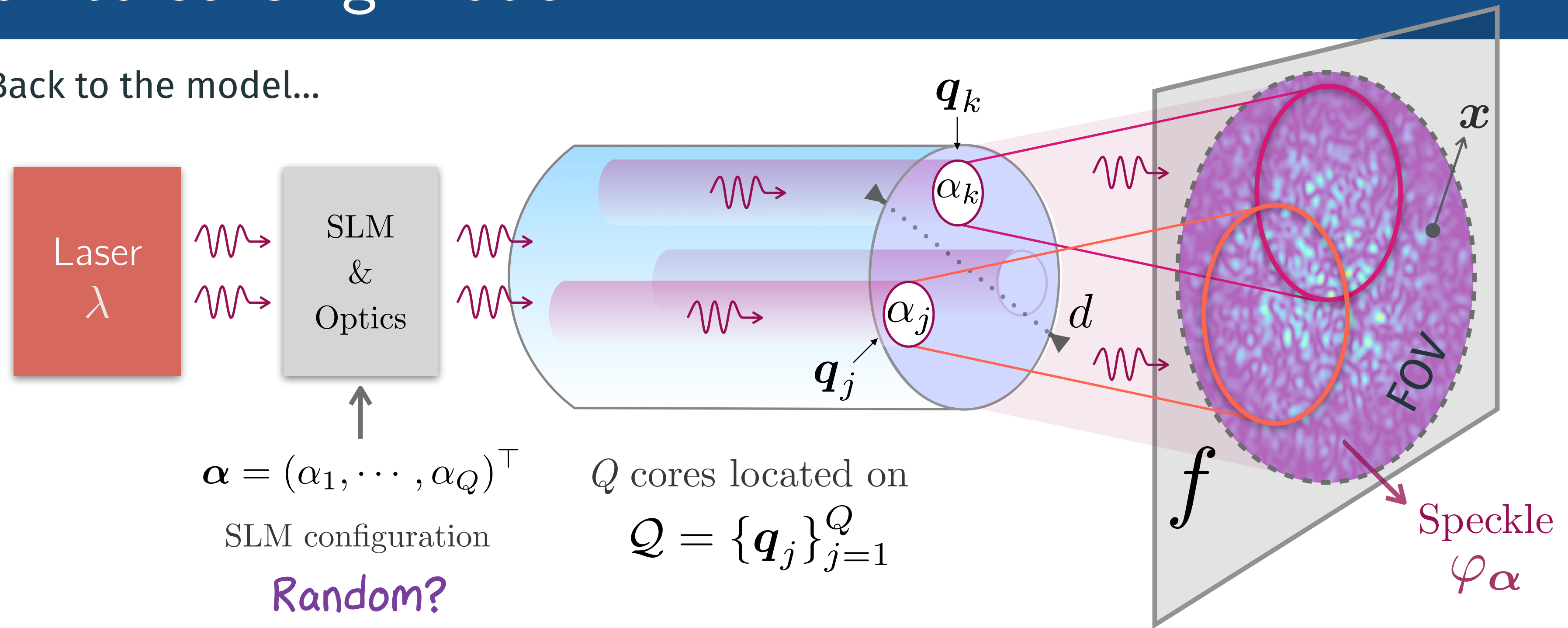
Raster Scanning



[Icon] Andresen et al., 2016. [Icon] Sivankutty et al., 2018.

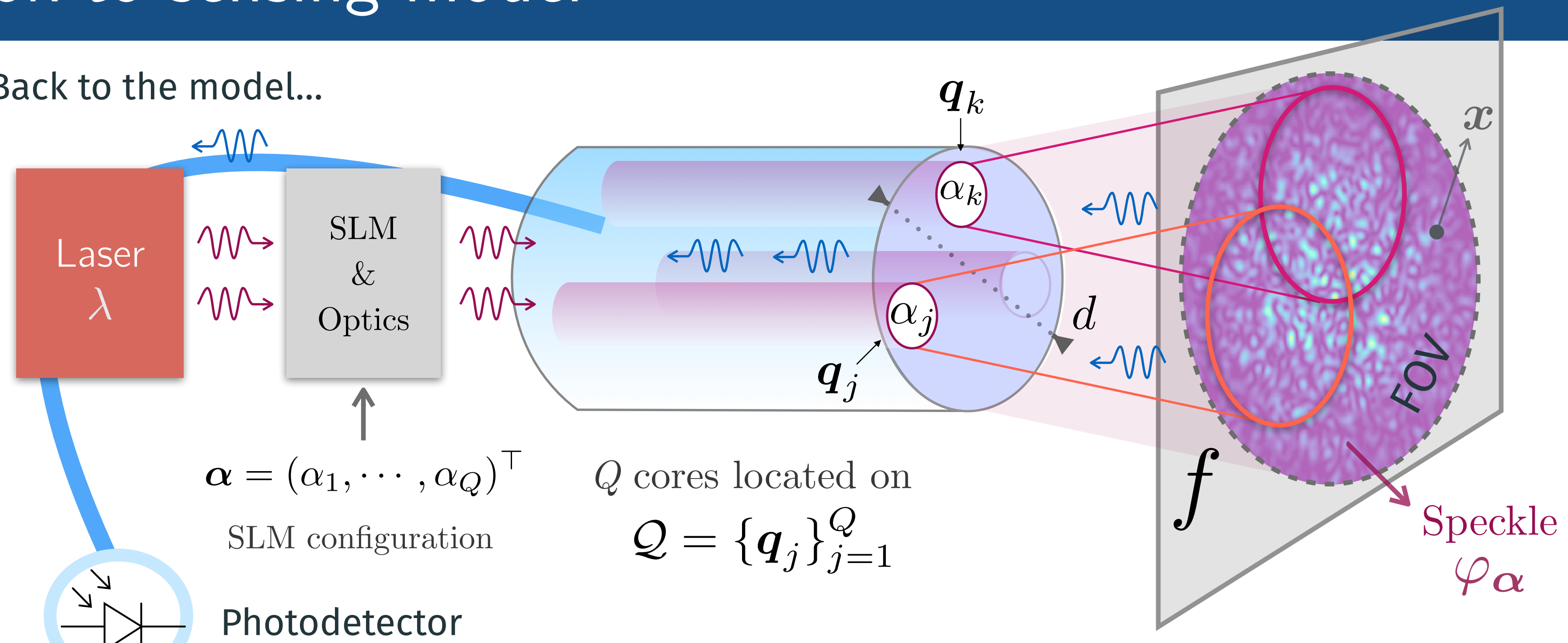
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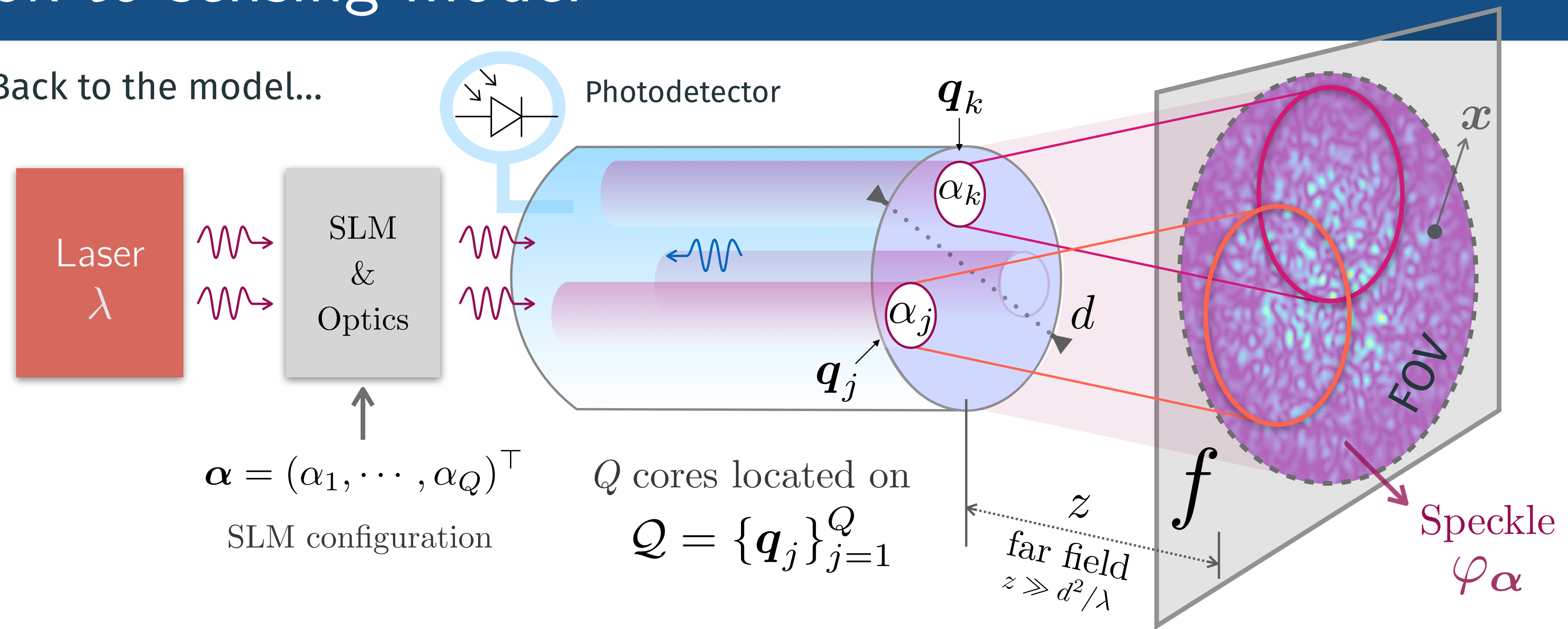


$$y_\alpha \propto \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \text{Speckle } \varphi_\alpha(\mathbf{x}) f(\mathbf{x}) d^2\mathbf{x} = \langle \varphi_\alpha, f \rangle$$

Measurement model

A closer look to sensing model

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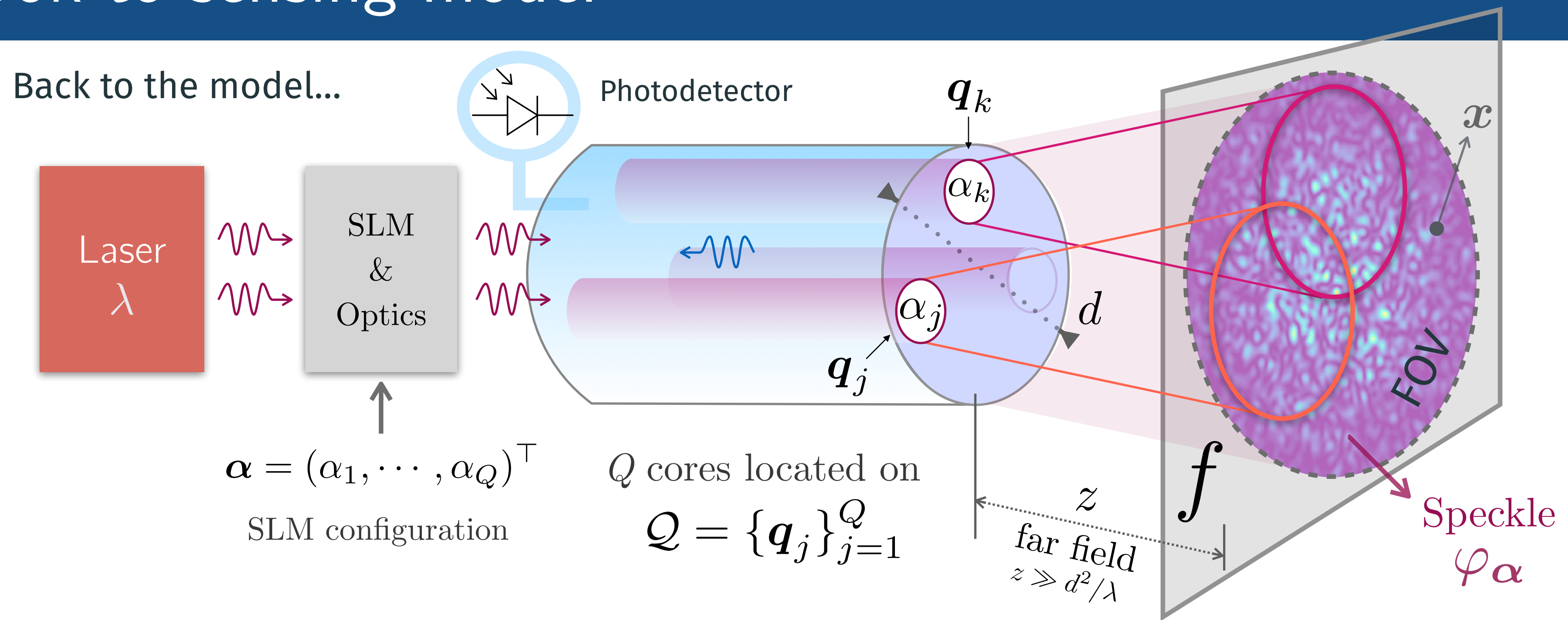


However, **speckles are interferences:** (Under far-field approximation)

$$\varphi_\alpha(\mathbf{x}) \propto \underbrace{w(\mathbf{x})}_{\text{FOV window}} \sum_{j,k=1}^Q \alpha_j \alpha_k^* \underbrace{e^{\frac{2\pi i}{\lambda z} (\mathbf{q}_j - \mathbf{q}_k)^T \mathbf{x}}}_{\text{Core pair interference}}$$

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(noiseless) Interferometric sensing model

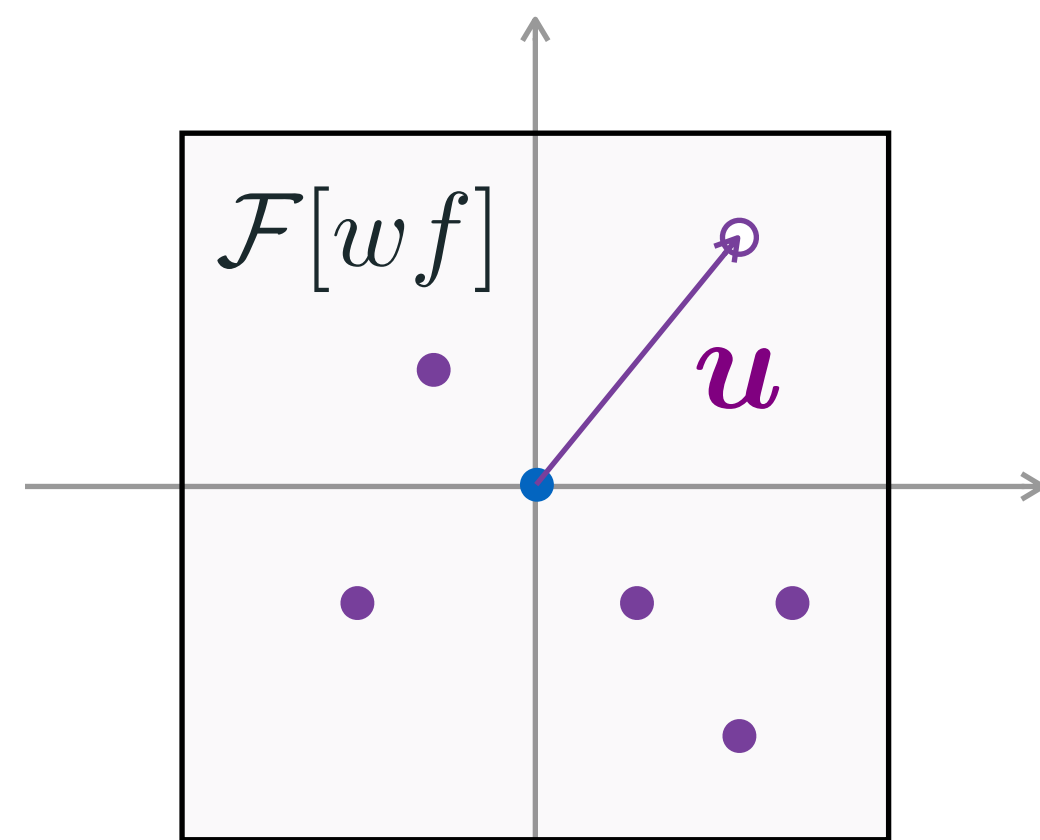
Therefore

$$\langle f, \varphi_{\alpha} \rangle = \sum_{j,k=1}^Q \alpha_j \alpha_k^* \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{\lambda z} (\mathbf{q}_j - \mathbf{q}_k)^\top \mathbf{x}} w(\mathbf{x}) f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \right]$$

$\dashrightarrow \boldsymbol{\alpha}^* \mathcal{I}[wf] \boldsymbol{\alpha} \rightarrow \text{ROP!!}$

with the (Hermitian) *interferometric matrix* $\mathcal{I}[wf] \in \mathbb{C}^{Q \times Q}$ s.t.

$$(\mathcal{I}[wf])_{j,k} := \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{e^{\frac{2\pi i}{\lambda z} (\mathbf{q}_j - \mathbf{q}_k)^\top \mathbf{x}}}{\mathbf{u}} w(\mathbf{x}) f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \mathcal{F}[wf](\mathcal{V})$$

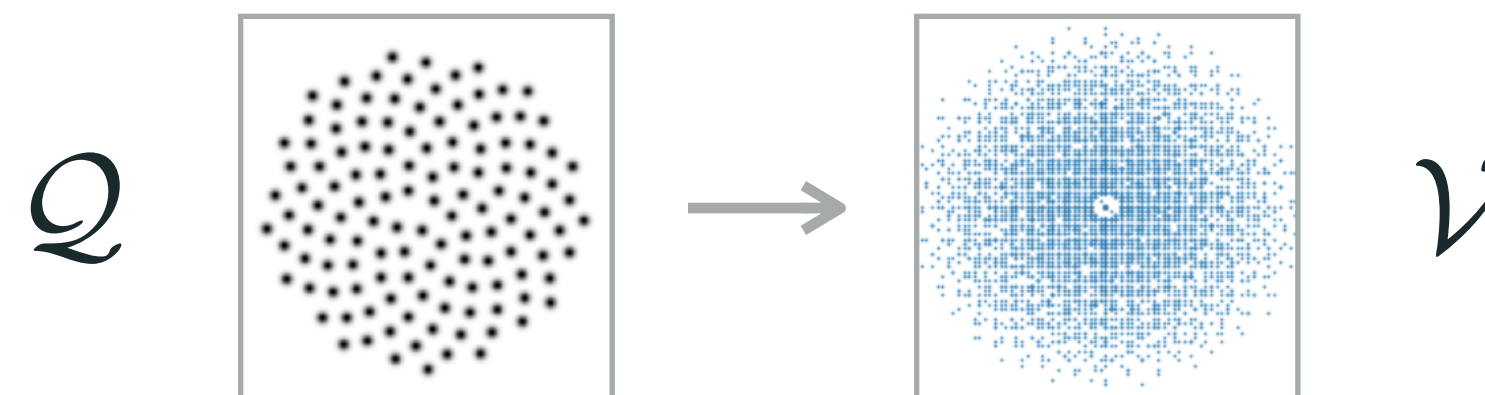


$$\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{V} := \frac{1}{\lambda z} (\mathcal{Q} - \mathcal{Q})$$

Observation 1: denser Fourier sampling if

$$|\mathcal{V}| \simeq Q^2$$

- ◆ Lattices are bad core arrangements
- ◆ Fermat's spiral is not bad



(noiseless) Interferometric sensing model

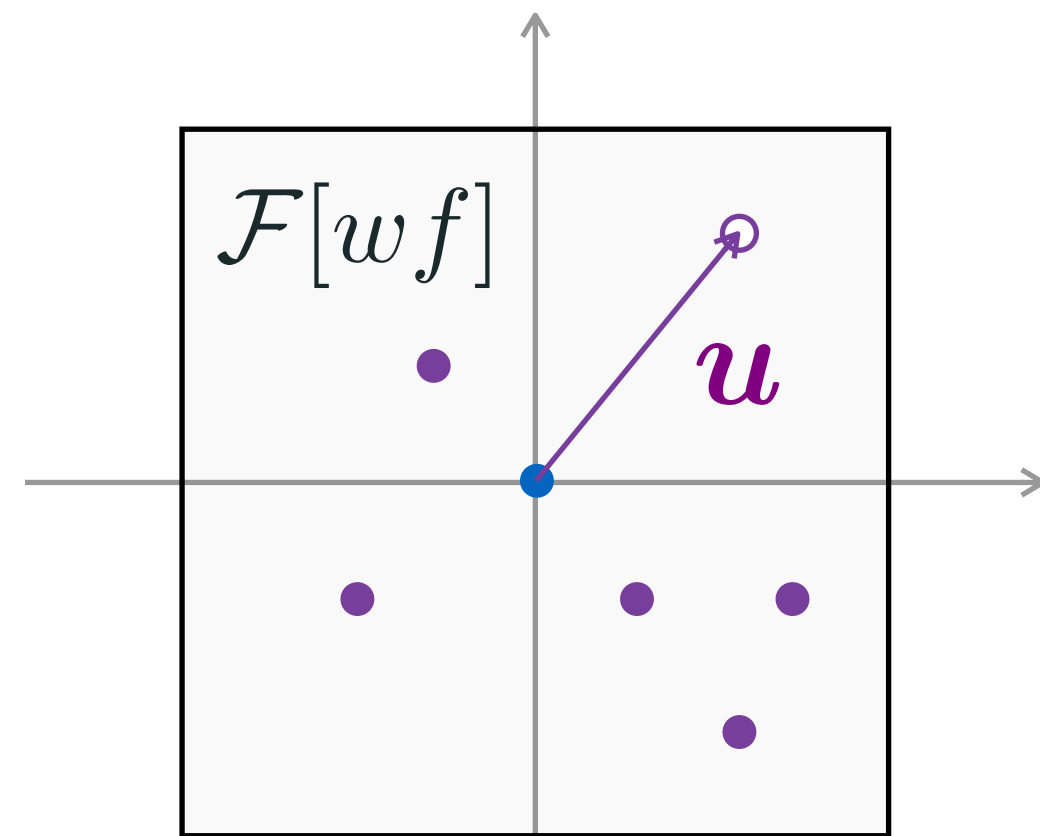
Therefore

$$\langle f, \varphi_{\alpha} \rangle = \sum_{j,k=1}^Q \alpha_j \alpha_k^* \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{\frac{2\pi i}{\lambda z} (\mathbf{q}_j - \mathbf{q}_k)^\top \mathbf{x}} w(\mathbf{x}) f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \right]$$

--- $\rightarrow \boldsymbol{\alpha}^* \mathcal{I}[wf] \boldsymbol{\alpha} \rightarrow \text{ROP!!}$

with the (Hermitian) *interferometric matrix* $\mathcal{I}[wf] \in \mathbb{C}^{Q \times Q}$ s.t.

$$(\mathcal{I}[wf])_{j,k} := \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{e^{\frac{2\pi i}{\lambda z} (\mathbf{q}_j - \mathbf{q}_k)^\top \mathbf{x}}}{\mathbf{u}} w(\mathbf{x}) f(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} = \mathcal{F}[wf](\mathcal{V})$$



Observation 2:

Low-complexity on f
 \rightarrow
Low-complexity on \mathcal{I}

e.g., sparsity \rightarrow low-rank

$$\mathbf{u} \in \mathcal{V} := \frac{1}{\lambda z} (\mathcal{Q} - \mathcal{Q})$$

Interferometric sensing model

Composition of two sensing methods

$$\mathbf{y} = (y_{\alpha_1}, \dots, y_{\alpha_m})^\top = \underbrace{\Phi}_{m \times Q^2}(\underbrace{\mathcal{I}[wf]}_{Q \times Q}) + \text{noise},$$

① ↑
② ↓

with $\Phi(M) := \{\langle \alpha_j \alpha_j^*, M \rangle_{\mathbb{F}}\}_{j=1}^m$.

Sample complexities of interest:

② Does Φ capture enough from \mathcal{I} ? $\Leftrightarrow m$ big enough?

① Does \mathcal{I} capture enough from f ? $\Leftrightarrow Q$ big enough?

Core arrangement?

A few answers from a few simplifications ...

Theory + Simulations + Experimental results



Theoretical guarantees

Given

- a discretisation \mathbf{f} of wf over N pixels
- a frequency coverage \mathcal{V} respecting usual CS conditions (RIP)

(under specific simplifying assumptions)

If the $\{\alpha_i\}$ are (sub)Gaussian, given a sparsity level K

and provided $M = O(K)$ and $Q^2 = O(K)$ (up to logs),

then, with high probability, given the observations $\mathbf{z} = \Phi'[\mathbf{f}] + \underbrace{\text{noise}}_{\|\cdot\|_1 \leq \epsilon}$,
an ℓ_1 -minimization program gives an estimate \mathbf{f}' with

$$\|\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{f}'\|_2 \leq C \frac{\|\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{f}_K\|_1}{\sqrt{K}} + D \frac{\epsilon}{M}$$

for some $C, D > 0$.

Proof idea: Φ' = centering of Φ ; show that Φ' respects a variants of the restricted isometry property.

1-D simulations: phase transition diagrams

Simplified setting:

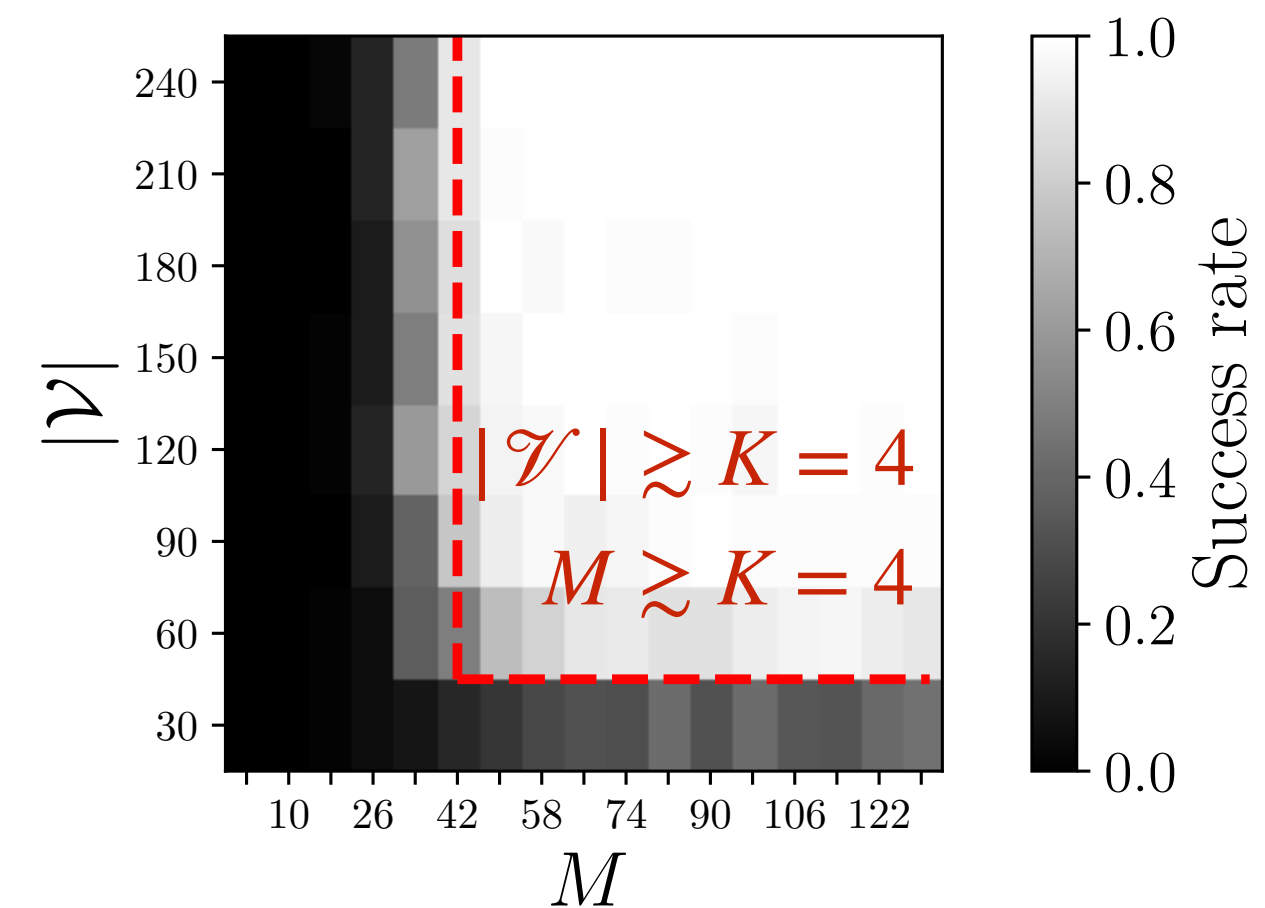
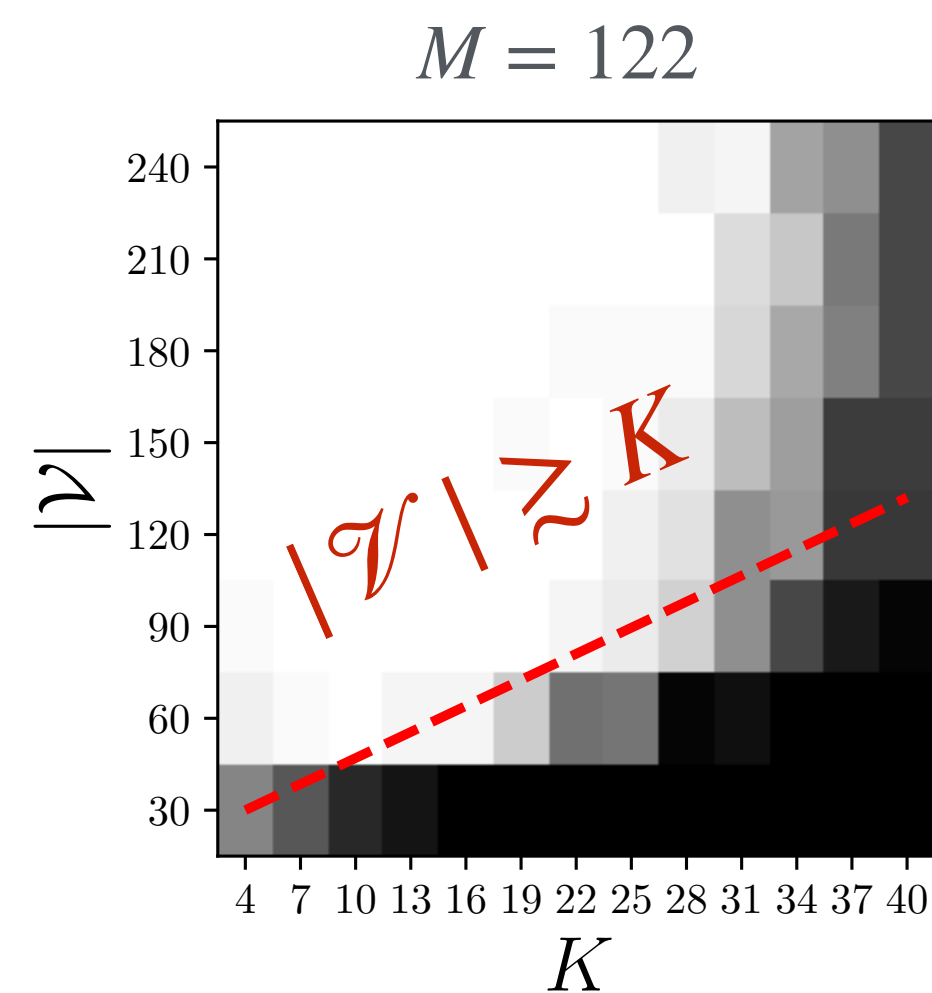
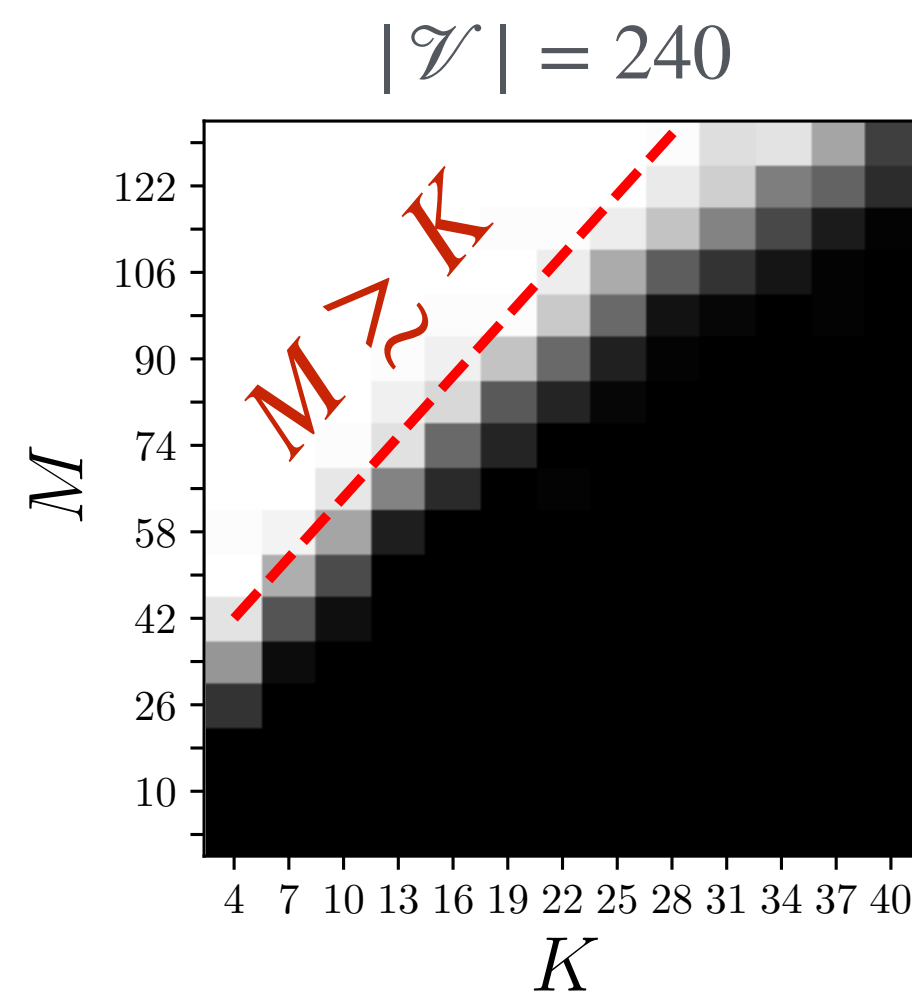
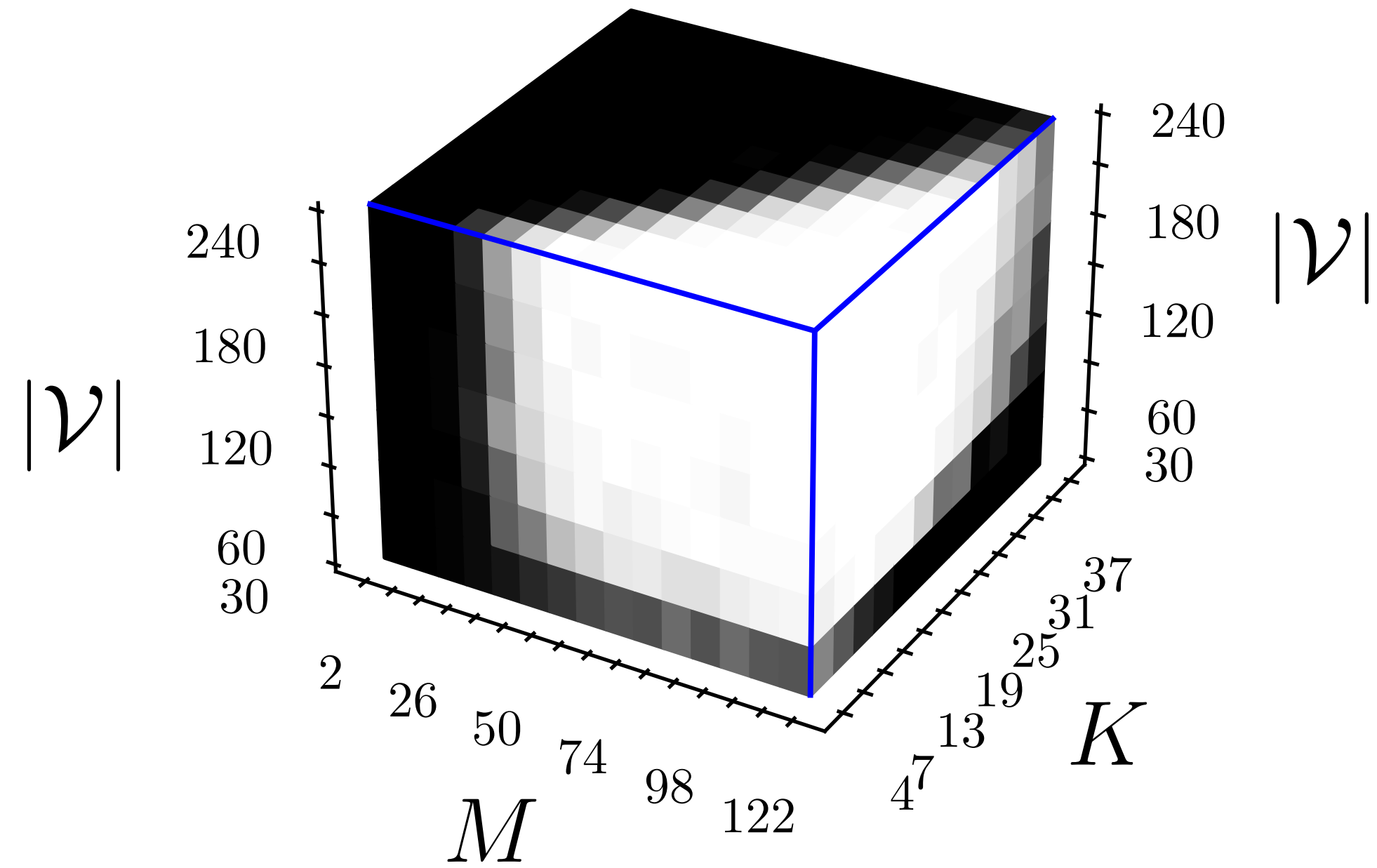
1-D core arrangement, $N = 256$

K -sparse vectors

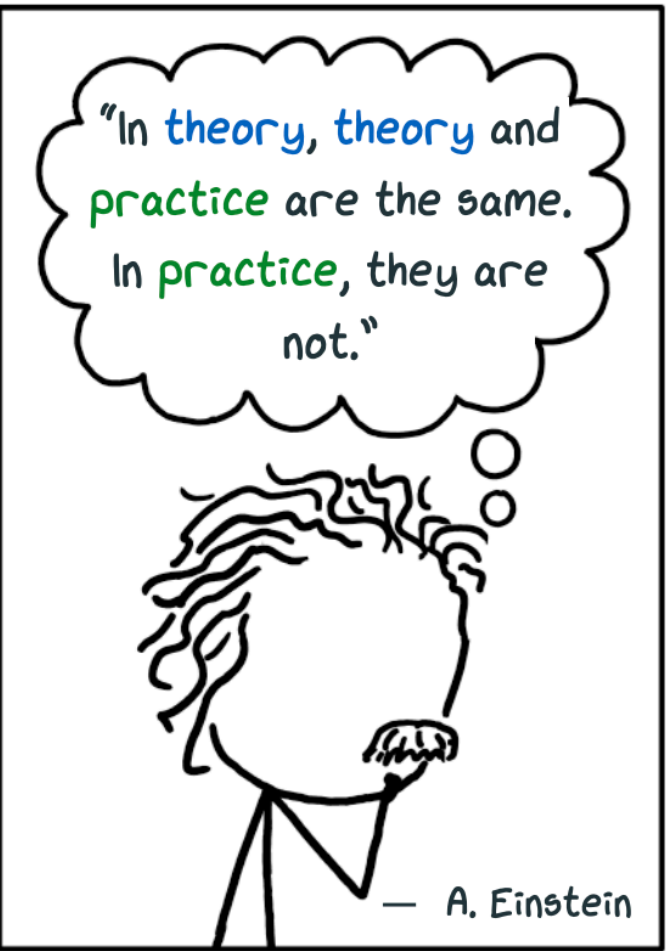
Random $\{\alpha_j\}_{j=1}^M$

Q, M, K varying

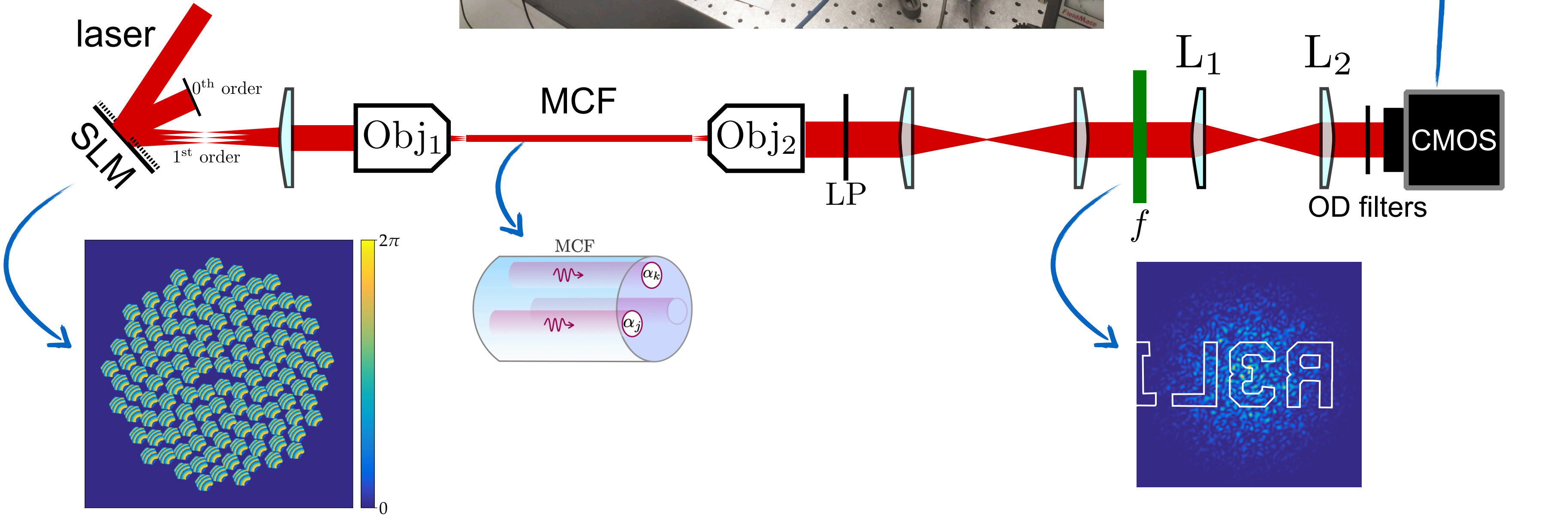
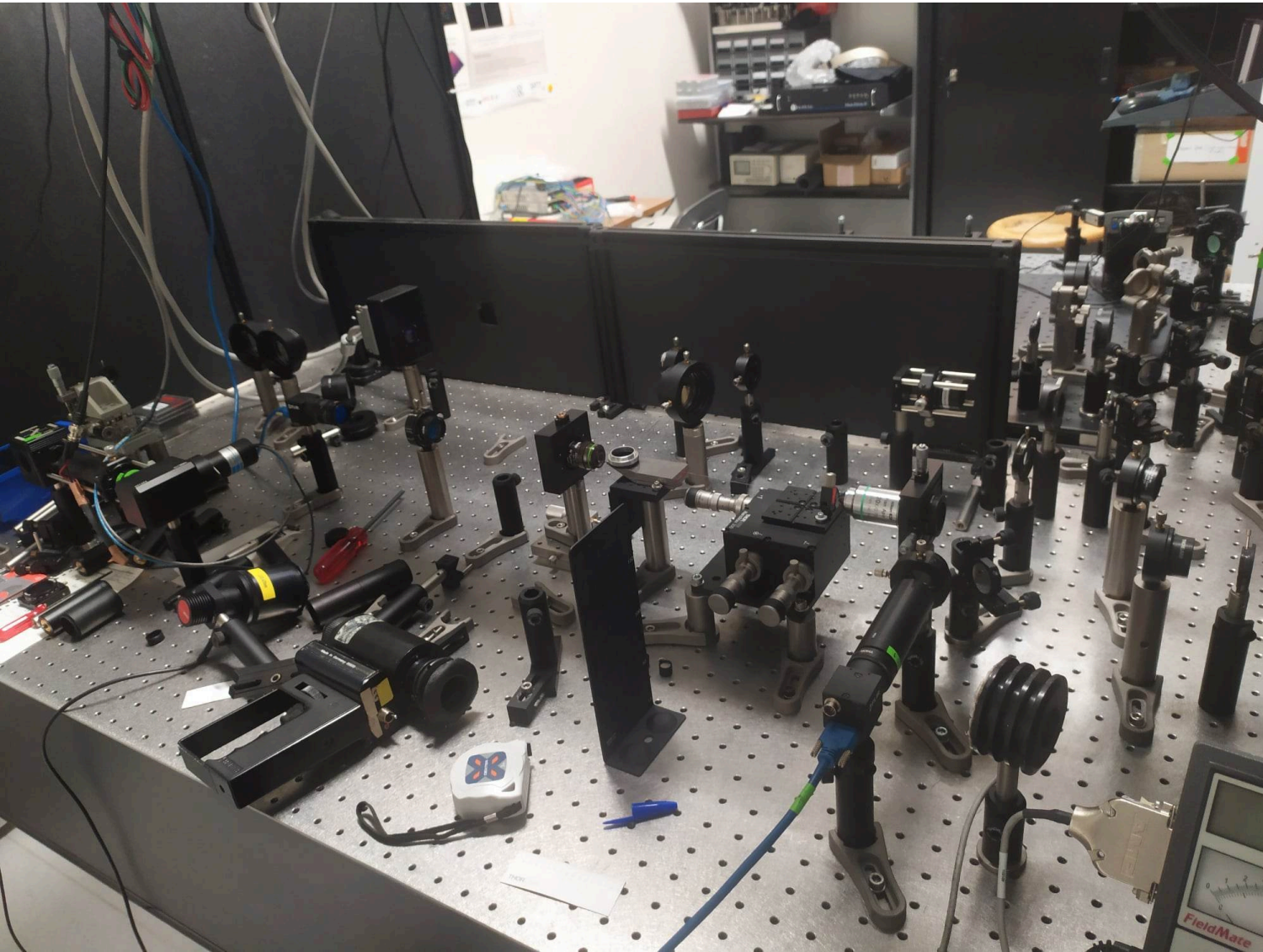
80 trials, Success if ≥ 40 dB



Experiments (in Institut Fresnel, France)

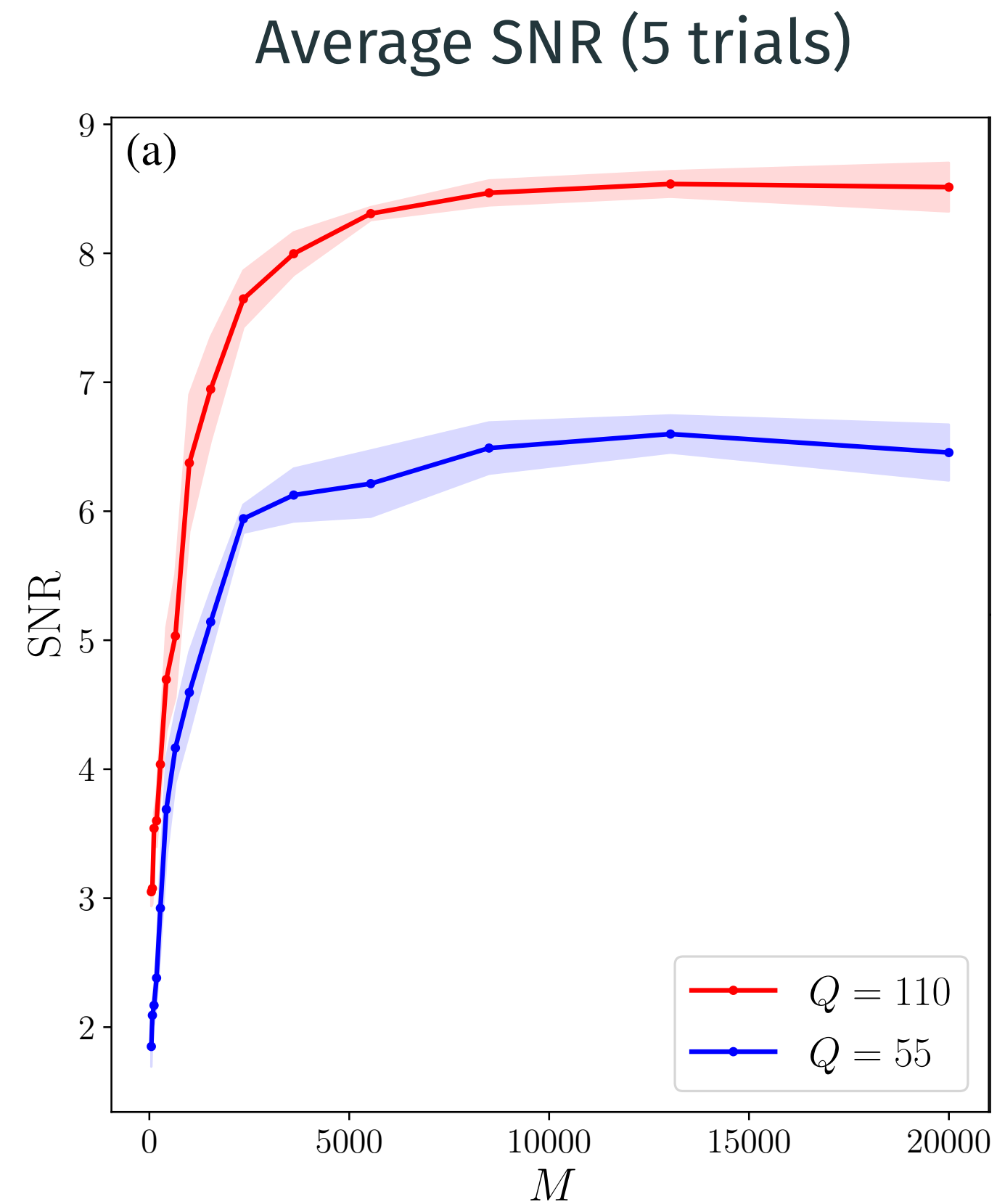


(Adapted from XKcd #1233)



+ a lot of calibrations & validations

Experiments (in Institut Fresnel, France)



USAF target

$Q = 55$

$Q = 110$

