



Recovering Cosparse Vectors using Convex vs Greedy Algorithms



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Sparse analysis priors

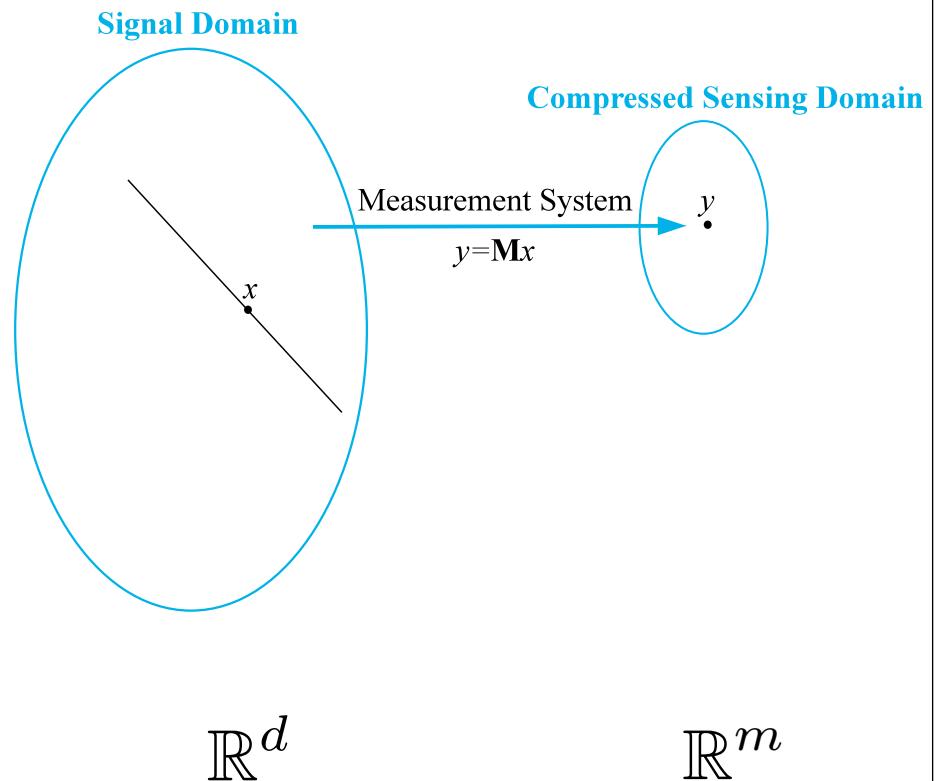
- Inverse problem $y \approx Mx_0$
- Estimation by regularization

$$\hat{x} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{x}} \frac{1}{2} \|y - Mx\|_2^2 + \lambda \|\Omega x\|_p$$

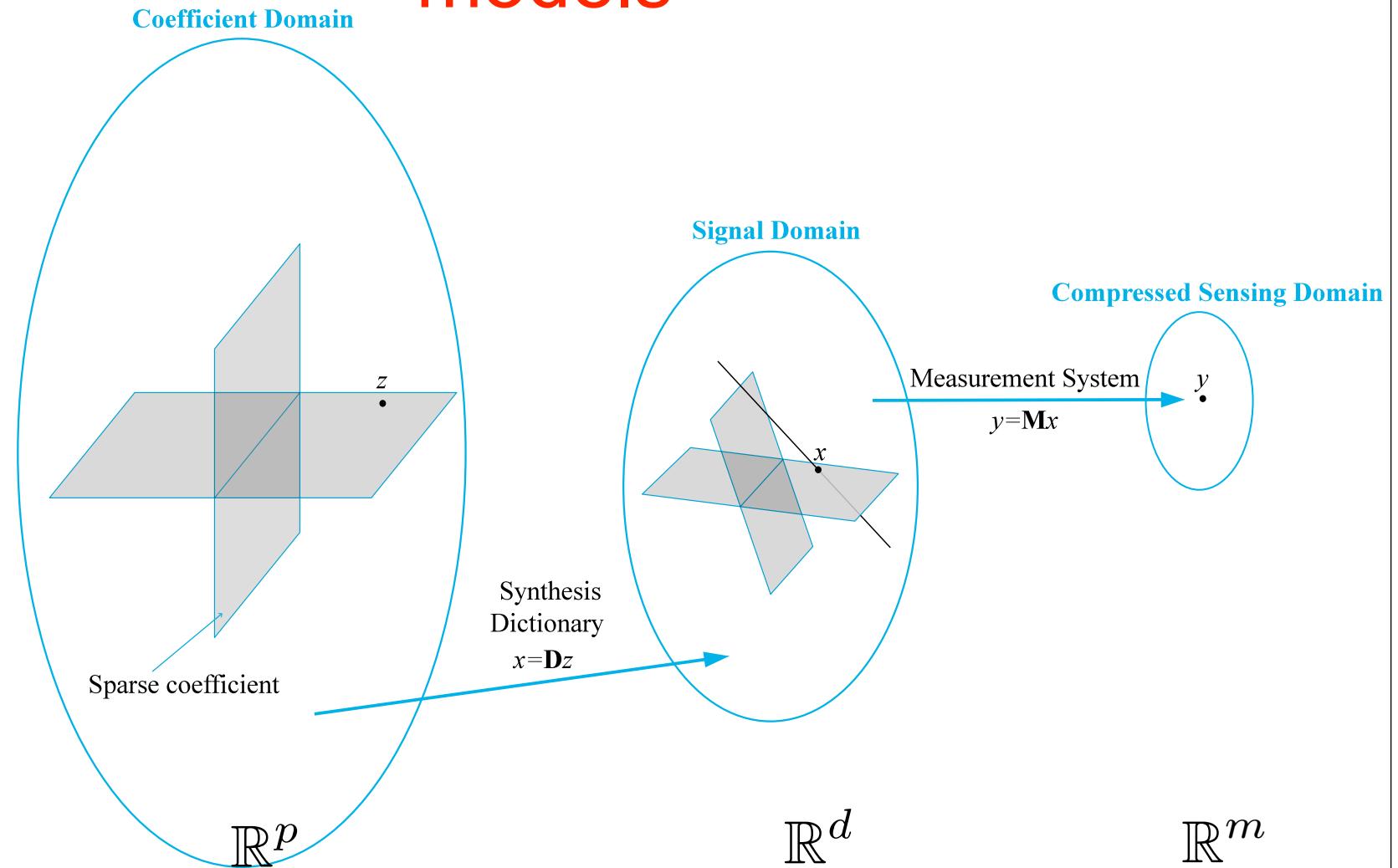
- Sparsity-inducing effect:
 - ✓ Analysis coefficients $\Omega \hat{x}$ of estimate \hat{x} are sparse
- Hypotheses to guarantee accurate estimation ?
 - ✓ Necessary: $\|x_0 - \hat{x}\|$ need to be small!
 - ✓ i.e., need true x_0 to be well approximated by some \hat{x} with **sparse analysis coefficients** $\Omega \hat{x}$

Signal model

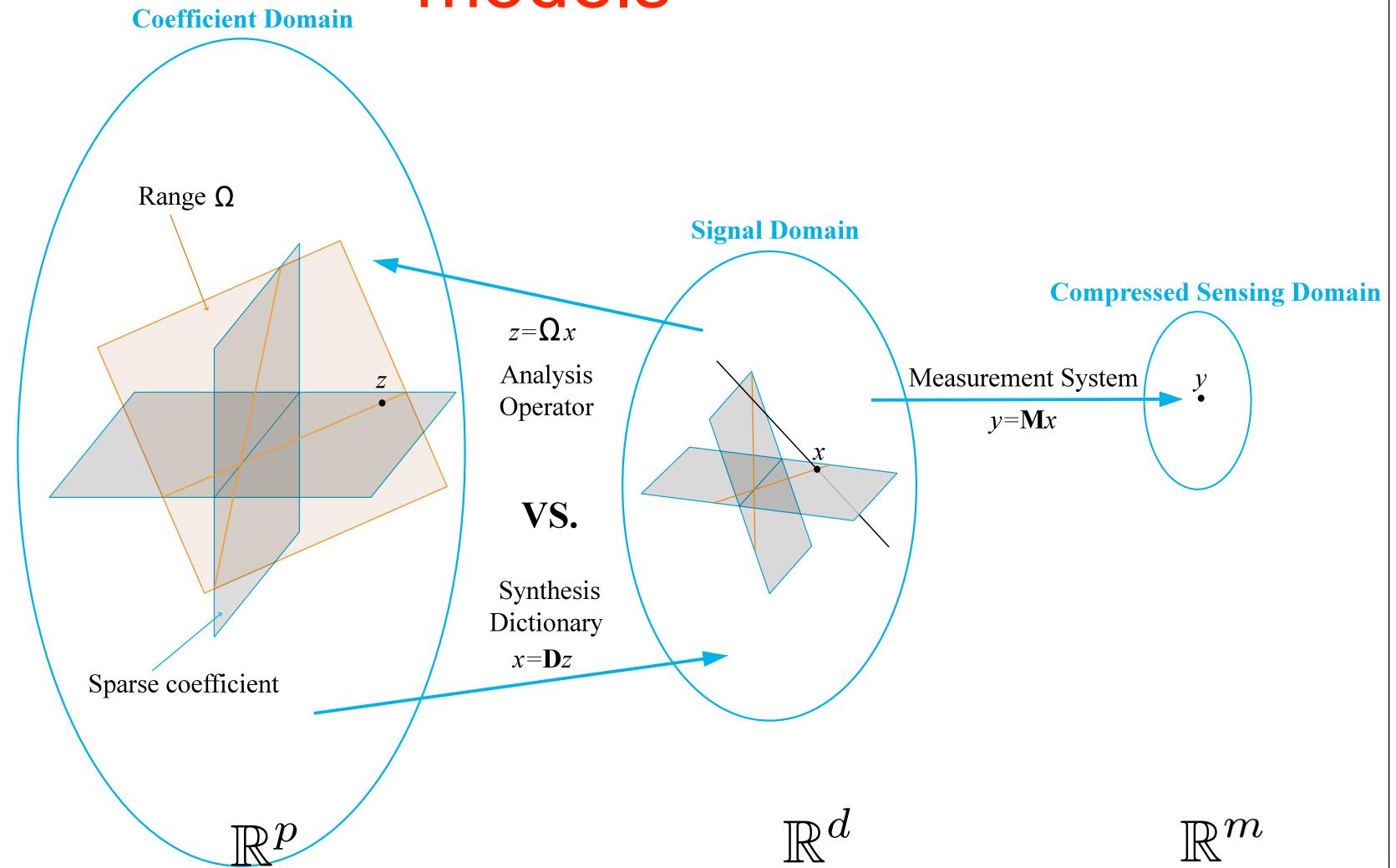
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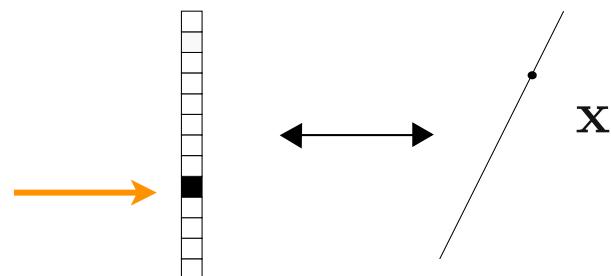
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Introducing the cosparse model

- **Sparse synthesis model**

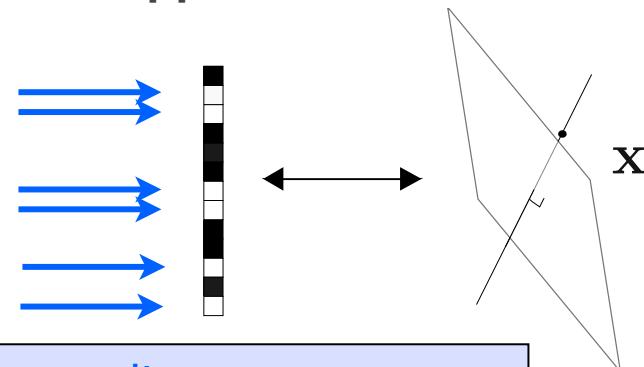
- ✓ Synthesis dictionary \mathbf{D}
- ✓ Representation \mathbf{z} s.t. $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Dz}$
- ✓ **Support** = location of **nonzeroes**



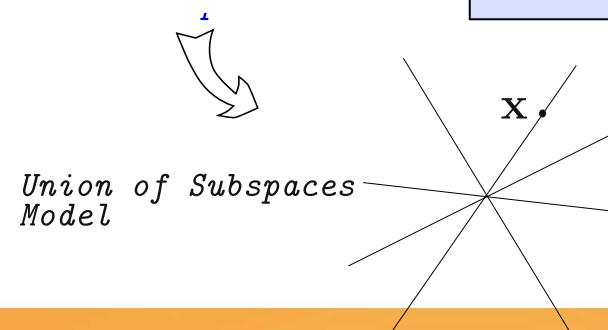
$k :=$ sparsity
= dimension of subspace

- **Cosparsity analysis model**

- ✓ Analysis operator Ω
- ✓ Representation $\Omega\mathbf{x}$
- ✓ **Cosupport** = location of **zeroes**



$\ell :=$ cosparsity
= codimension of subspace



Uniqueness results
[Lu & Do 2008] [Nam & al 2011]

(Co)sparse recovery

Algorithms for analysis regularization

- **Many algorithms with empirical success**

- Starck & al 2003, Elad & al 2007, Portilla 2009, Selesnick & Figueiredo 2009, Afonso, Bioucas-Dias & Figueiredo 2010, Pustelnik & al 2011, Cleju & al 2012, ...

- **Recent recovery guarantees**

- ✓ **Analysis L1 minimization:**

- Donoho & Kutyniok 2010, Candès & al 2010, Nam & al 2011, Vaiter & al 2011.

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

- ✓ **Greedy Analysis Pursuit (GAP) = greedy IRLS**

- Nam & al 2011

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}}_i = \arg \min \|\text{diag}(\mathbf{w}_i) \Omega \mathbf{x}\|_2 \text{ s.t. } \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Mx}$$

$$k_i = \arg \max_k |\langle \omega_k, \hat{\mathbf{x}}_i \rangle|$$

$$\mathbf{w}_{k_i} \leftarrow 0$$

Towards Empirical Phase Transition Diagrams

- Choose
 - ✓ analysis operator Ω
 - ✓ measurement matrix M
 - ✓ cosparsity ℓ
- Generate random co-sparse vector
 - ✓ draw random Gaussian vector $u \in \mathbb{R}^d$
 - ✓ draw cosupport $\Lambda = \text{choose } \ell \text{ rows of } \Omega$
 - ✓ project orthogonally to these rows
$$x = (\mathbf{Id} - \Omega_\Lambda^\dagger \Omega_\Lambda) u \in \mathbb{R}^d$$
- Generate projection
$$y = Mx$$

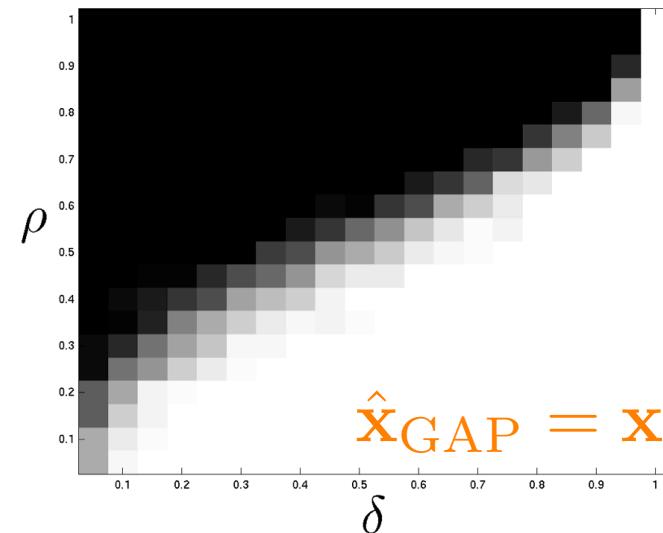
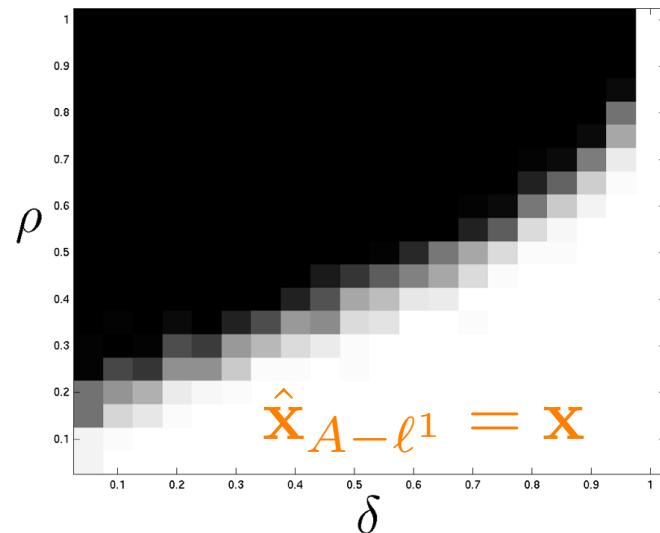
Example 1: with Generic Analysis Operator

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{matrix} m \times d \\ \boxed{\text{---}} \end{matrix}$$

$$\delta = \frac{m}{d}$$

$$\rho = \frac{d - \ell}{m}$$

$$\Omega \quad \boxed{\text{---}}$$

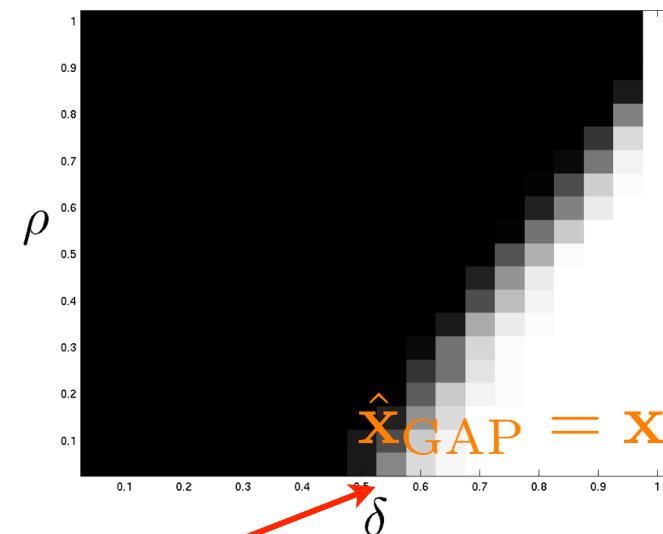
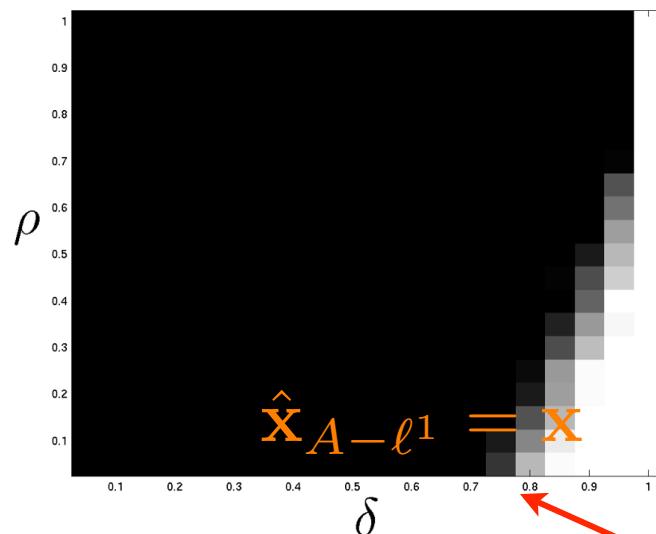
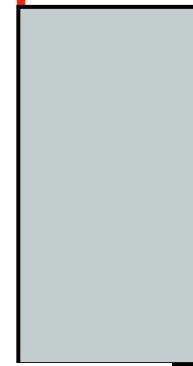


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 Ω 

For GENERIC operators, there is a (high) lower bound on achievable undersampling in a Compressed Sensing Scenario ...

Sparsity vs Co-sparsity

● Sparsity

✓ dictionary

$$\mathbf{D} : d \times n$$



✓ number of **nonzeroes** = dimension

$$k := \|\mathbf{z}\|_0, \quad \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{z}$$

✓ dimension of subspaces

$$k$$

✓ number of subspaces

$$\binom{n}{k}$$

● Cosparsity

✓ operator

$$\Omega : p \times d$$



✓ number of **zeroes** = co-dimension

$$\ell := p - \|\Omega\mathbf{x}\|_0$$

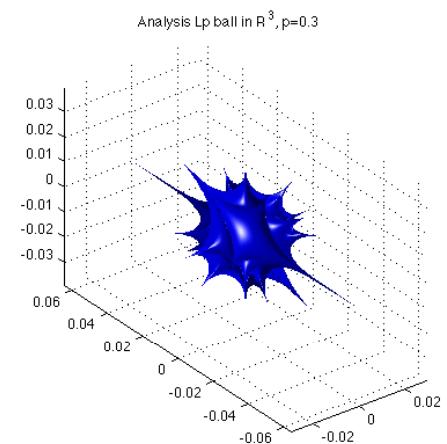
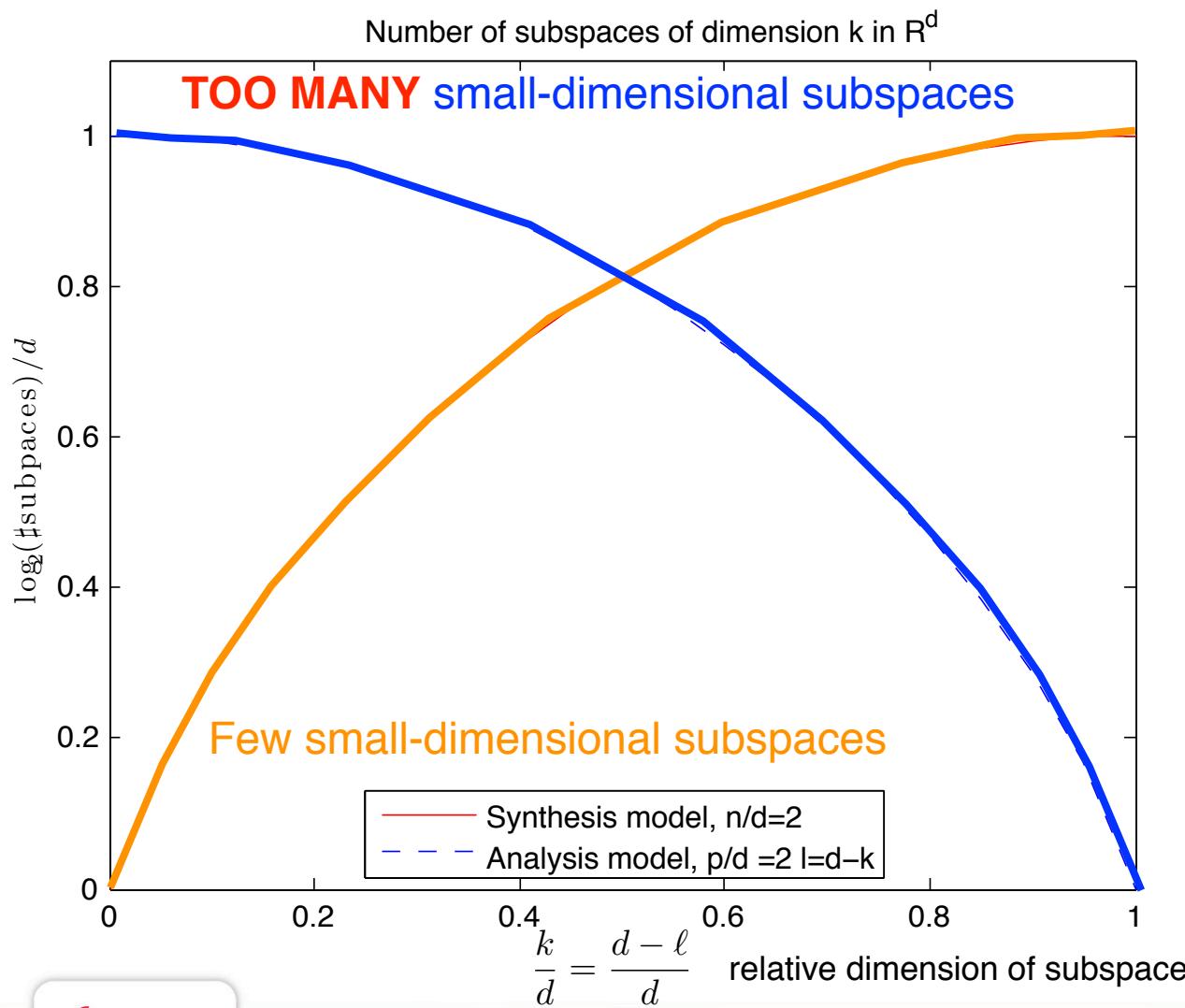
✓ dimension of subspaces

$$d - \ell$$

✓ number of subspaces

$$\binom{p}{\ell}$$

Counting subspaces: Generic Operators



High cosparsity ?

- Generic analysis operator:
 - ✓ linearly independent rows
 - ✓ If $\mathbf{x} \neq 0$ then orthogonal to at most $\ell < d$ rows

Limited cosparsity for generic operators

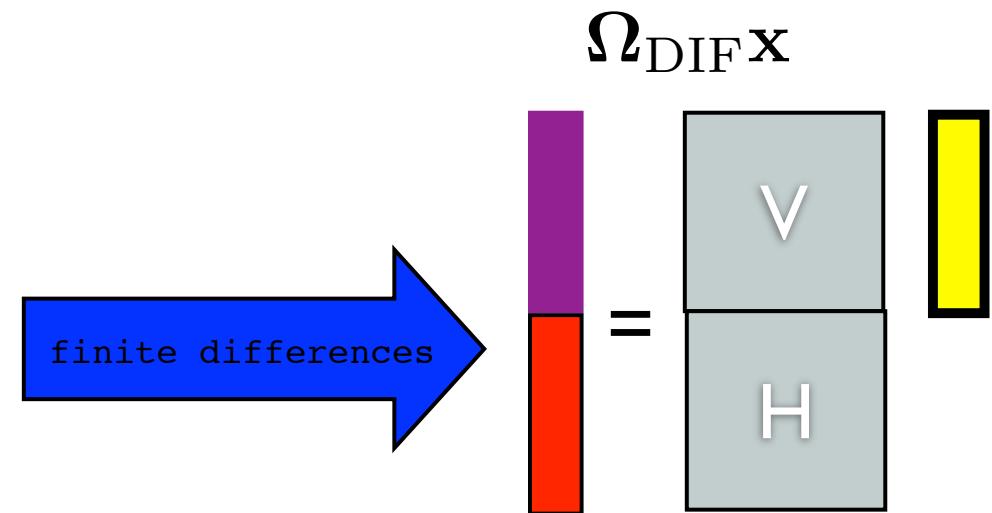
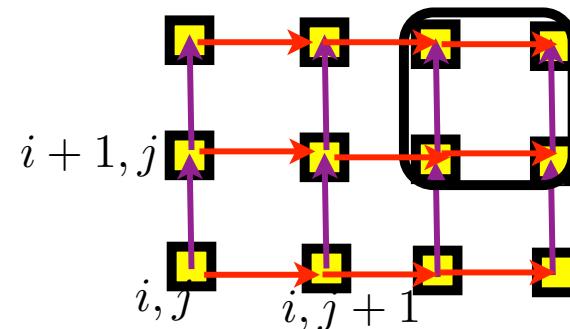
$$\|\Omega \mathbf{x}\|_0 = p - \ell > p - d$$

No signal has truly sparse analysis coeffs

Example 2: 2D finite difference operator

- Cousin of TV norm
 - ◆ Rudin, Osher, Fatemi 1992

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_{ij})$$



- ✓ **cosupport** = edges with equal pixel values
- Operator Ω is not a frame! **Dictionaryless!** Ω_{DIF}
- Loops = **linear dependencies** between rows of Ω allowing large cosparsity

$$\ell > d$$

An image with high cosparsity

Uniqueness guarantee

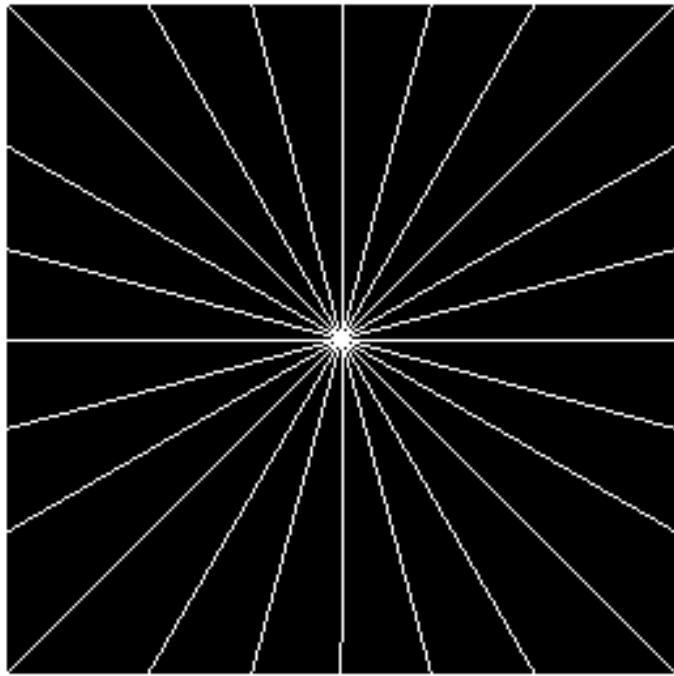
$$m \geq 2554$$

- Shepp-Logan phantom
 - ✓ 11 ellipses
 - ✓ Cosupport defines
= **22-dimensional subspace**

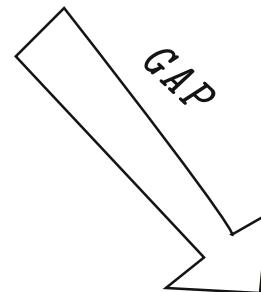
$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{65536}$
 $\Omega\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{130560}$
 $\|\Omega\mathbf{x}\|_0 = 2546$
= length of edges \sim TV norm
 $\ell = 128014 \approx 2d$



Results: finite difference operator



Fourier subsampling
 $d = 256 \times 256 = 65536$
12 slices = radial lines
 $m = 3032 = 4.7\%$

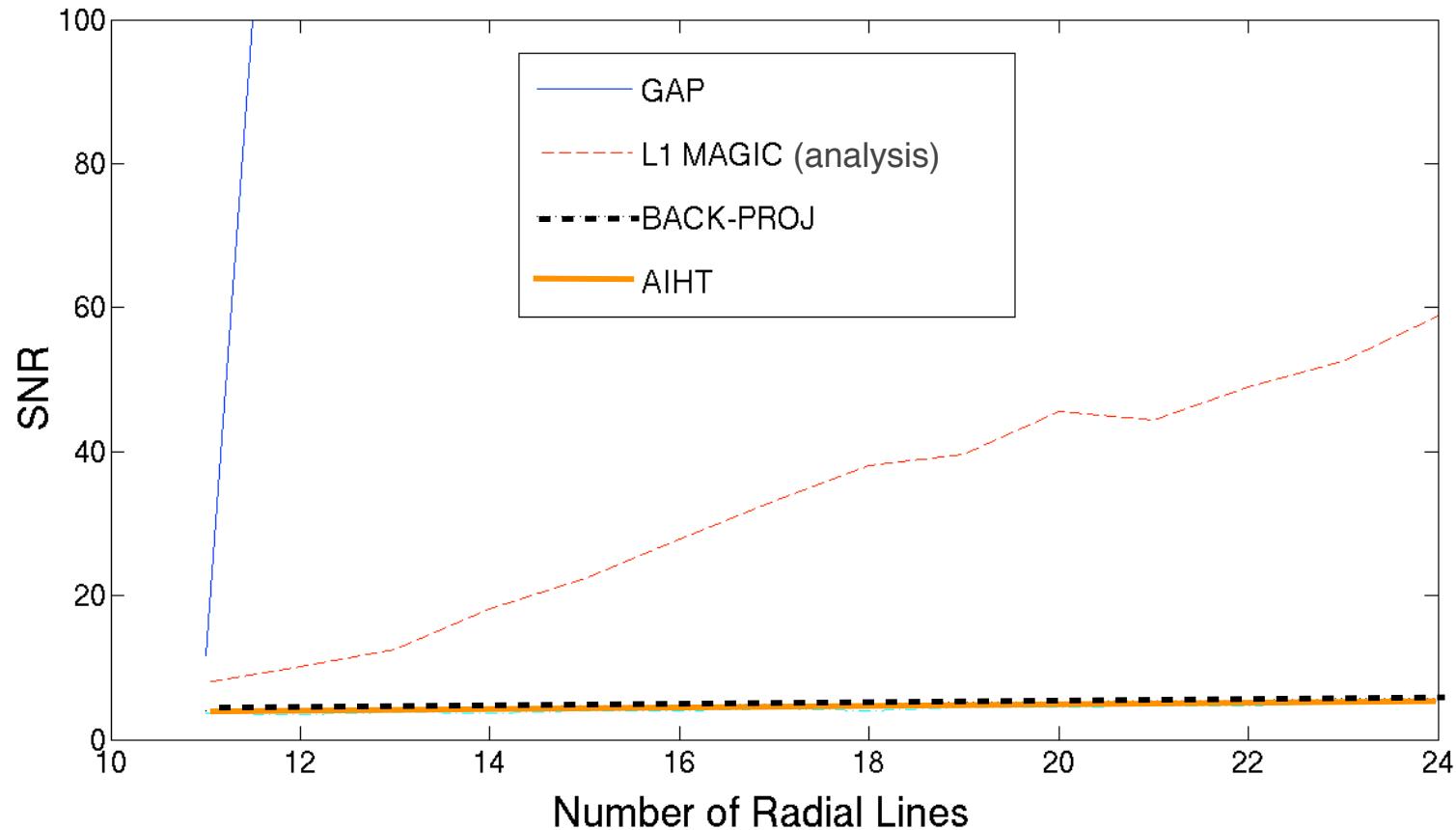


Uniqueness guarantee
 $m \geq 2554$

Recovered Image



Results: finite difference operator



Linear dependencies = fewer small-dimensional subspaces (links with **matroids?**)

Conclusions

Take Home Message

- Traditional **Synthesis Model**

- ✓ **Synthesis dictionary** of atoms

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Dz} = \sum_i z_i \mathbf{d}_i \quad \|\mathbf{z}\|_0 \ll \text{dimension}$$

- ✓ «Lego» model: building blocks



- ✓ Low-dimension = few atoms
 - ◆ Ex: man-made codes in communications

- Alternate **Analysis Model**

- ✓ **Analysis operator**

$$\langle \omega_i, \mathbf{x} \rangle = 0 \quad \text{for many rows of } \Omega$$
$$\|\Omega \mathbf{x}\|_0 \ll \text{dimension}$$

- ✓ «Carving out» model: constraints



- ✓ Low-dimension = many constraints
 - ◆ Ex: coupling with laws of physics

$$(\Delta \mathbf{x} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \mathbf{x})|_{\dot{\mathcal{D}}} = 0$$

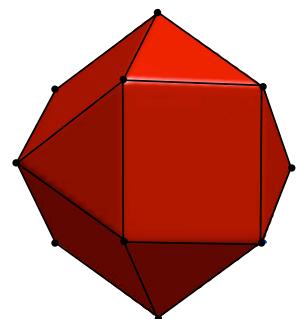


Recent results / Hanging fruits / Nails

- Uniqueness wrt inverse problems (U of subspaces)
[Nam & al 2011]
- Cosparserecovery algorithms with guarantees
 - ◆ Analysis-L1 [Donoho & Kutyniok 2010, Candès & al 2010, Nam & al 2011, Vaiter & al 2011, ...]
 - ◆ Greedy Analysis Pursuit [Nam & al 2011]
 - ◆ Analysis Iterative Hard Thresholding, Hard Thresholding Pursuit, CoSAMP, Subspace Pursuit [Gyries & al 2011, 2012]
- Hybrid sparse/cosparsere models [Figueiredo & al 2011]
- Group cosparsity [Nam & al 2012]
- Learning/designing analysis operators [Ophir & al 2011, Yaghoobi & al 2011, 2012, Peyré & Fadili 2011, Rubinstein & Elad 2012]
- Connections with PDEs ... [Nam & al 2012]

A sampler of more open questions

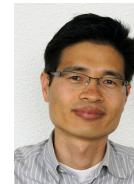
- Stability and robustness guarantees
- Hardness of projection on closest cosparse set ?
- Analysis equivalent of coherence ?
- Characterization of «good» analysis operators ?
 - ✓ linear dependencies are desirable
 - ✓ non-generic geometry of analysis ball is needed
 - ◆ ex: TV-ball (courtesy G. Peyré)
- Analysis equivalent of low-rank ?
- Equivalent of other atomic norms ?





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