

# Grid-Independent Compressed Sensing

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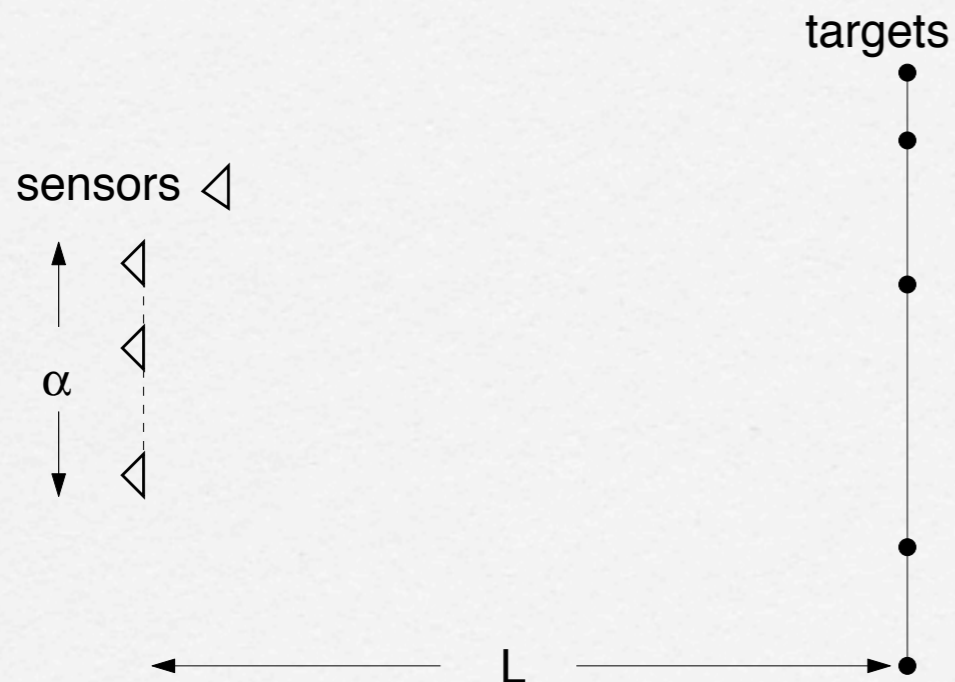


# Outline

- Imaging set-up
- Compressed sensing formulation
- Theory for grid-independent CS
- Numerics for GICS
- Comparisons
- Super-resolution
- conclusion

# Fourier measurement

## ◆ Source localization



Paraxial green function

$$\begin{aligned}
 G(r, \xi) &= \frac{e^{i\omega L}}{4\pi L} \times \exp\left(\frac{i\omega|r - \xi|^2}{2L}\right) \\
 &= \frac{e^{i\omega L}}{4\pi L} \exp\left(\frac{i\omega r^2}{2L}\right) \exp\left(\frac{-i\omega r \xi}{L}\right) \exp\left(\frac{i\omega \xi^2}{2L}\right)
 \end{aligned}$$



# Grid model

Source locations:  $x_l : l = 1, \dots, s$

Source strengths:  $c_l, l = 1, \dots, s.$

Signal model: at the sensor located at  $\xi_l, l = 1, \dots, N$

$$y_l = \sum_{j=1}^s c_j G(\xi_l, x_j) + n_l.$$

Approximate  $x_j$  by the closest subset of cardinality  $s$  of a regular grid  $\mathcal{G} = \{p_1, \dots, p_M\}, M \gg s,$

Write  $\mathbf{x} = (x_j) \in \mathbb{C}^M$  where  $x_j = c_j$  whenever the grid points are the **nearest** grid points to the targets and zero otherwise.



# Linear inversion

$$\mathbf{Ax} + \mathbf{e} = \mathbf{y}$$

Measurement matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{D}_1 \Phi \mathbf{D}_2$

$$\Phi_{jl} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \exp\left(\frac{-i\omega x_l \xi_j}{L}\right)$$

$$\mathbf{D}_1 = \text{diag}\left(\exp\left(\frac{i\omega \xi_j^2}{2L}\right)\right)$$

$$\mathbf{D}_2 = \text{diag}\left(\exp\left(\frac{i\omega x_l^2}{2L}\right)\right)$$

**Error = external noise + gridding error**



# Resolution limit

W/O additional prior information, we can only hope to recover targets separated by at least one Rayleigh length

$$\ell = \frac{\lambda L}{a} = 1$$

$a$  = aperture,  $L$  = distance,  $\lambda$  = wavelength



# Compressed sensing (CS)

Candes, Donoho, Romberg, Tao, Tibshirani, Tropp.....

## ◆ Restricted isometry property (RIP)

$$(1 - \delta_k) \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \leq \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \delta_k) \|\mathbf{x}\|_2^2, \quad \text{where } \mathbf{x} \text{ is } k\text{-sparse}$$

$$k = 2s, \quad \delta_{2s} < \sqrt{2} - 1. \quad (\text{Candes 08})$$

## ◆ Incoherence property (IP)

$$\mu(\mathbf{A}) = \max_{j \neq l} \mu(k, l), \quad \mu(k, l) = \frac{|\langle \mathbf{a}_k, \mathbf{a}_l \rangle|}{\|\mathbf{a}_k\| \|\mathbf{a}_l\|}$$

$$\mu \sim 1 / \sqrt{N} \quad (\text{well separated columns})$$



# CS methods

- ◆  $\ell_1$ -minimization/regularization

Basis Pursuit:  $\min \|z\|_1, \quad \|Az - y\|_2 \leq \varepsilon$

Lasso:  $\min \frac{1}{2} \|Az - y\|_2^2 + \lambda \|z\|_1$

- ◆ Greedy algorithms:  $\lambda = \sigma\sqrt{2 \log M}, \quad \lambda = 0.5\sigma\sqrt{\log M}$

Orthogonal matching pursuit (OMP)

Subspace pursuit (SP)

Compressed sampling matching pursuit (Co-SaMP)

Iterative hard thresholding (IHT)

..... etc



# CS benefits

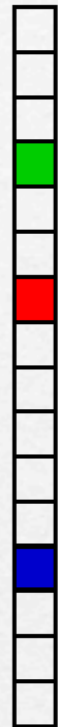
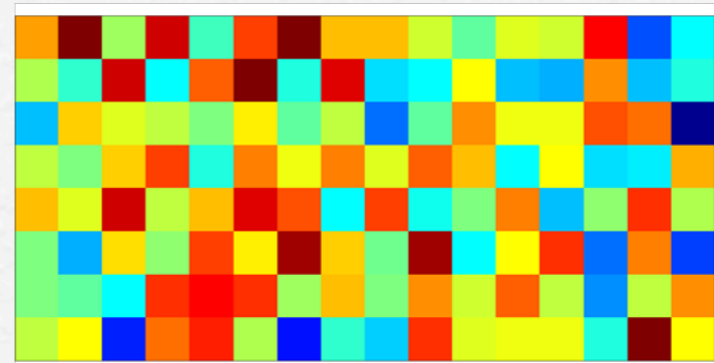
- ◆ Sparse measurement:  $N \ll M$

RIP:  $N \sim s$

IP:  $N \sim s^2$



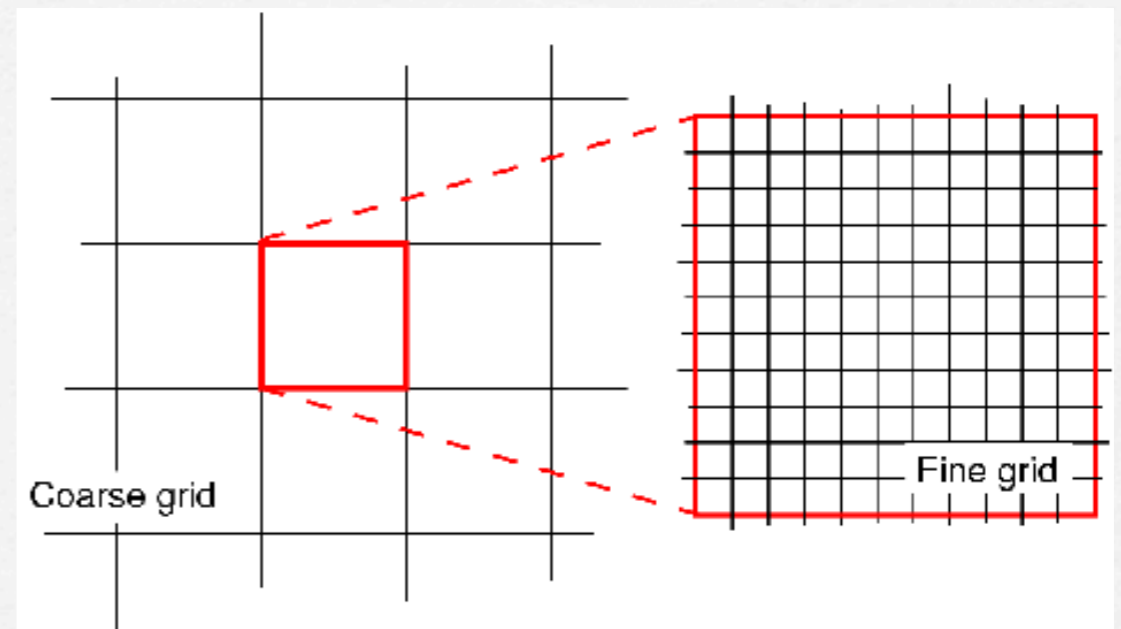
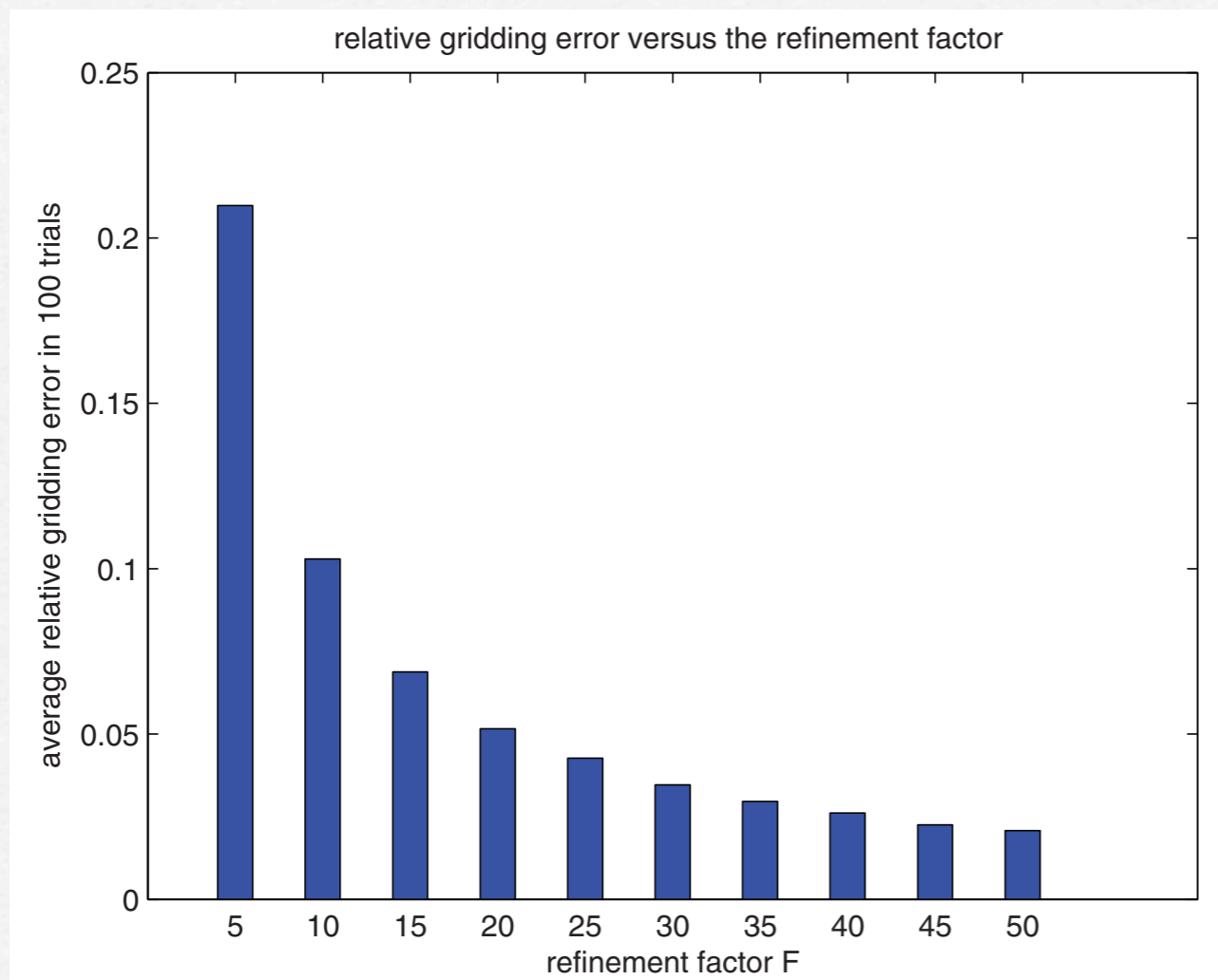
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- ◆ Non-asymptotic performance guarantee
- ◆ Effective algorithms
- ◆ **Caveat ?**



# Gridding error



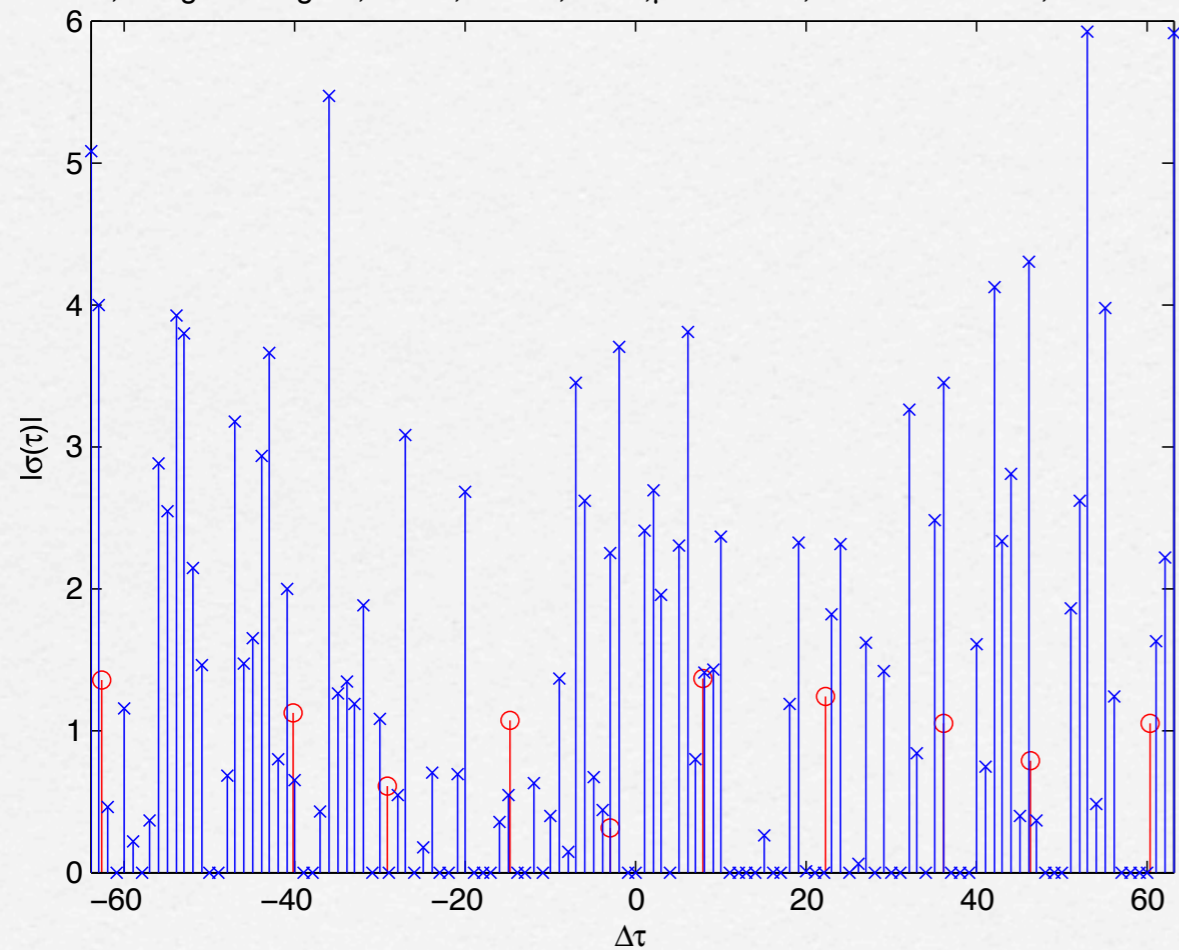
Gridding error inversely proportional to the refinement factor

$$F = \text{coarse grid spacing} / \text{fine grid spacing}$$



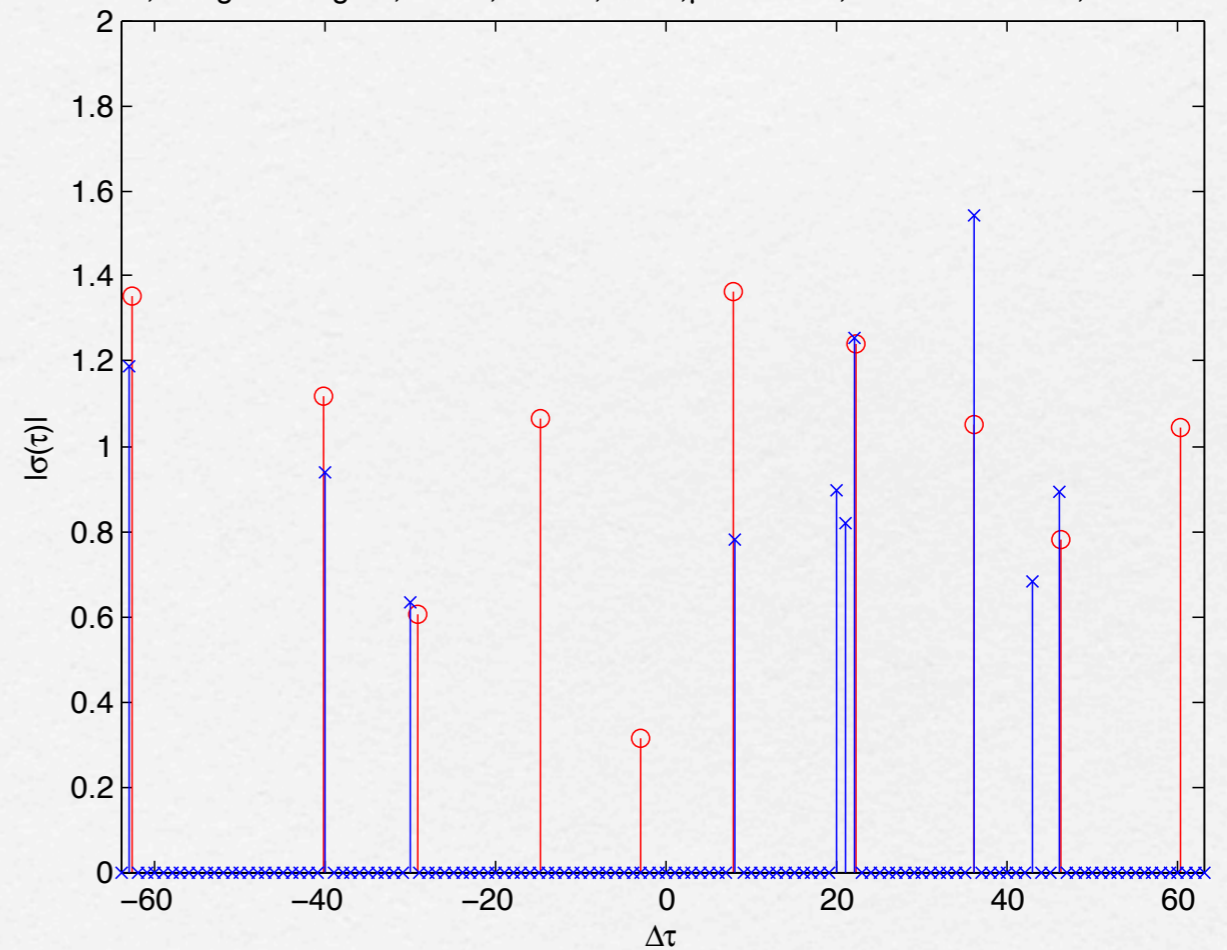
# Peril of gridding error

BP, off-grid fixing off,  $m=64$ ,  $n=128$ ,  $s=10$ ,  $\mu=0.30031$ , GERR=0.77017, FERR=1.9465



(a) BP

OMP, off-grid fixing off,  $m=64$ ,  $n=128$ ,  $s=10$ ,  $\mu=0.30031$ , GERR=0.77017, FERR=0.97866

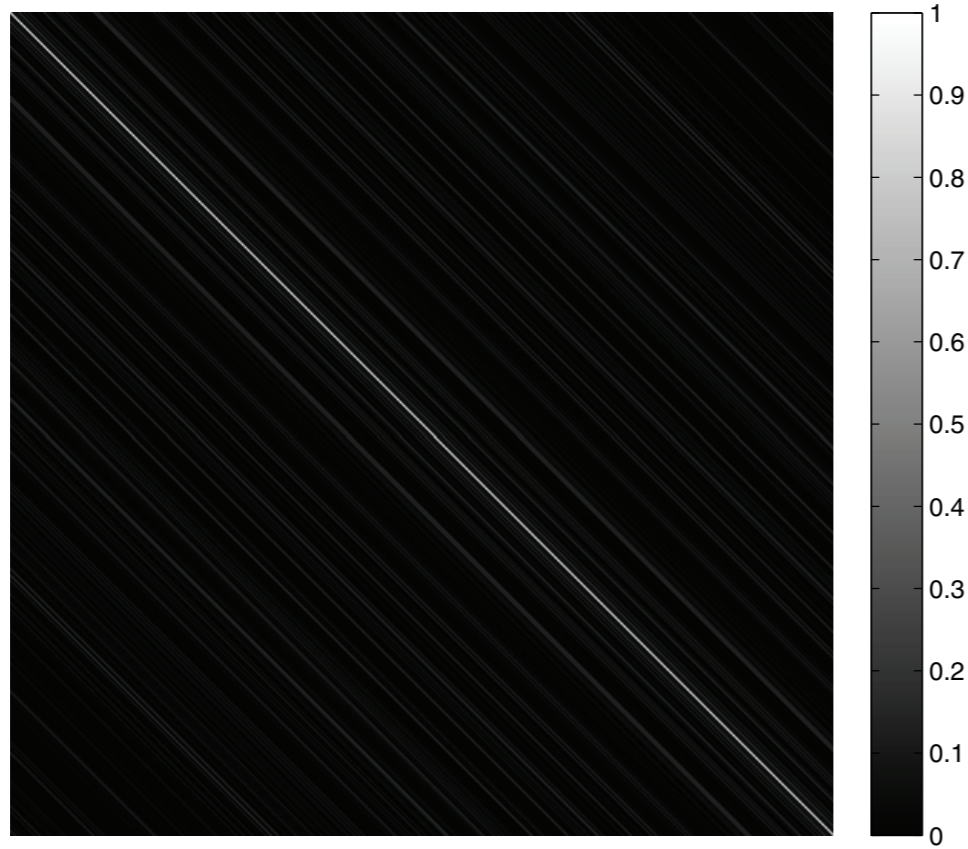


(b) OMP



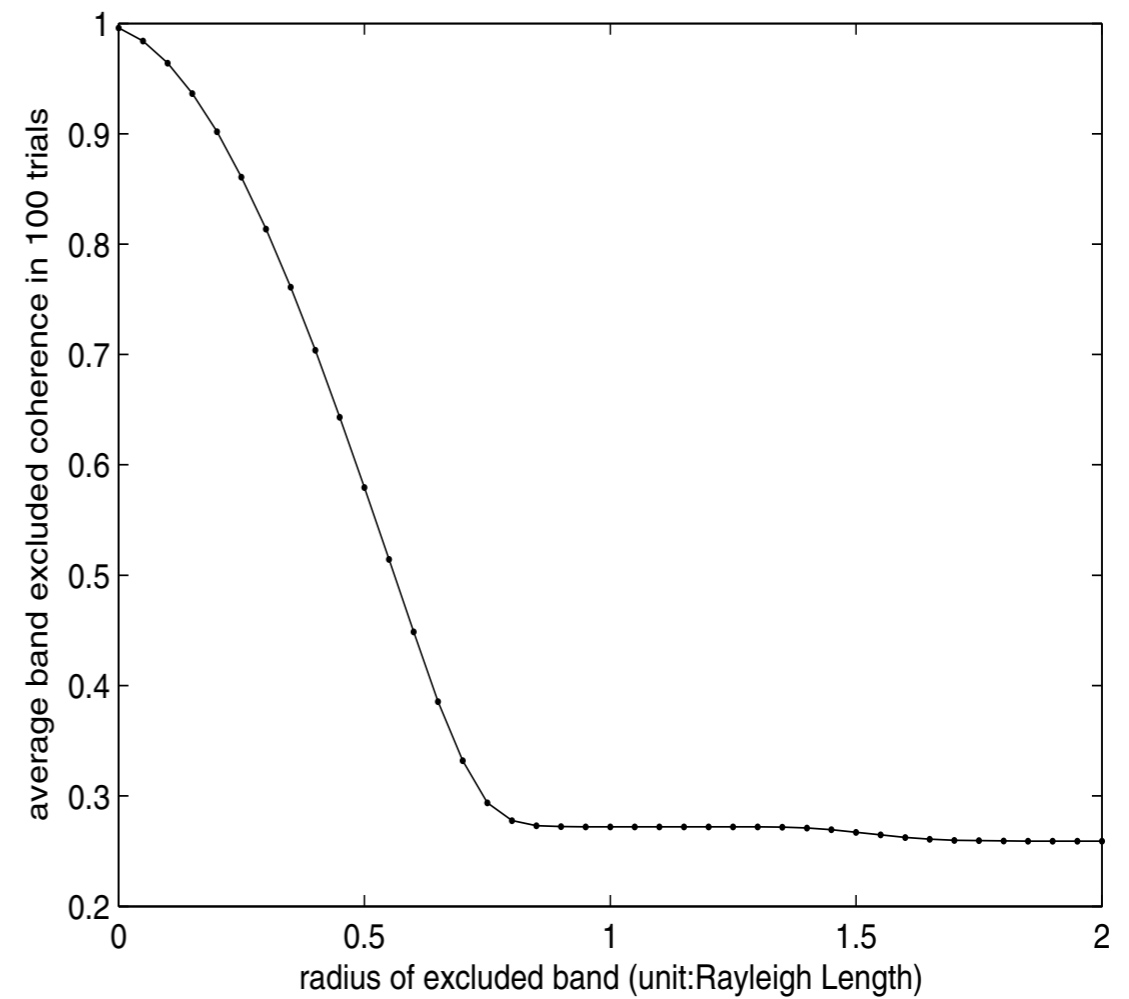
# Coherence pattern

pairwise coherence pattern



100\*4000 matrix with F = 20 & coherence = 0.99566

coherence versus the radius of excluded band





# Coherence Band

Let  $\eta > 0$ . Define the  $\eta$ -coherence band of the index  $k$  to be the set

$$B_\eta(k) = \{i \mid \mu(i, k) > \eta\},$$

and the  $\eta$ -coherence band of the index set  $S$  to be the set

$$B_\eta(S) = \cup_{k \in S} B_\eta(k).$$

Due to the symmetry  $\mu(i, k) = \mu(k, i)$ ,  $i \in B_\eta(k)$  if and only if  $k \in B_\eta(i)$ .

Denote

$$B_\eta^{(2)}(k) \equiv B_\eta(B_\eta(k)) = \cup_{j \in B_\eta(k)} B_\eta(j)$$

$$B_\eta^{(2)}(S) \equiv B_\eta(B_\eta(S)) = \cup_{k \in S} B_\eta^{(2)}(k).$$



# Greedy pursuit

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**Algorithm** Band-excluding Matched Thresholding (BMT)

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Input:  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{y}, \eta > 0$ .

Initialization:  $S^0 = \emptyset$ .

Iteration: For  $k = 1, \dots, s$ ,

1)  $i_k = \arg \max_j |\langle \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{a}_j \rangle|, j \notin B_\eta^{(2)}(S^{k-1})$ .

2)  $S^k = S^{k-1} \cup \{i_k\}$

Output  $\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \|\mathbf{Az} - \mathbf{y}\|_2$  s.t.  $\text{supp}(\mathbf{z}) \subseteq S^s$

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# BMT performance guarantee

**Theorem** (F&Liao) Suppose that

$$B_\eta(i) \cap B_\eta(j) = \emptyset, \quad \forall i, j \in \text{supp}(\mathbf{x})$$

and that

$$\eta(2s - 1) \frac{x_{\max}}{x_{\min}} + \frac{2\|\mathbf{e}\|_2}{x_{\min}} < 1$$

where

$$x_{\max} = \max_k |x_k|, \quad x_{\min} = \min_k |x_k|.$$

Let  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  be the BMT reconstruction. Then  $\text{supp}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \subseteq B_\eta(\text{supp}(\mathbf{x}))$  and moreover every nonzero component of  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is in the  $\eta$ -coherence band of a unique nonzero component of  $\mathbf{x}$ .

Theoretical resolution  $2\ell$ . Independent of grid refinement!

Compression: for moderate SNR

$$\eta \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}, \quad N \sim s^2 x_{\max}^2 / x_{\min}^2$$



# Sketch of proof

Let  $\text{supp}(\mathbf{x}) = \{J_1, \dots, J_s\}$ . Let  $J_{\max} \in \text{supp}(\mathbf{x})$  be the index of the largest component of  $\mathbf{x}$  in absolute value.

On the one hand, for  $k = 1, \dots, s$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |y^* \mathbf{a}_k| &= |x_1 \mathbf{a}_1^* \mathbf{a}_k + \dots + x_{k-1} \mathbf{a}_{k-1}^* \mathbf{a}_k + x_k + x_{k+1} \mathbf{a}_{k+1}^* \mathbf{a}_k + \\ &\quad \dots + x_s \mathbf{a}_s^* \mathbf{a}_k + e^* \mathbf{a}_k| \\ &\geq x_{\min} - (s-1)\eta x_{\max} - \|e\|_2. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,  $\forall l \notin B_\eta(\text{supp}(\mathbf{x}))$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |y^* \mathbf{a}_l| &= |x_1 \mathbf{a}_1^* \mathbf{a}_l + x_2 \mathbf{a}_2^* \mathbf{a}_l + \dots + x_s \mathbf{a}_s^* \mathbf{a}_l + e^* \mathbf{a}_l| \\ &\leq x_{\max} s \eta + \|e\|_2. \end{aligned}$$



# Band-excluding OMP (BOMP)

## Algorithm 1. BOMP

Input:  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{y}, \eta > 0$

Initialization:  $\mathbf{x}^0 = 0, \mathbf{r}^0 = \mathbf{y}$  and  $S^0 = \emptyset$

Iteration: For  $n = 1, \dots, s$

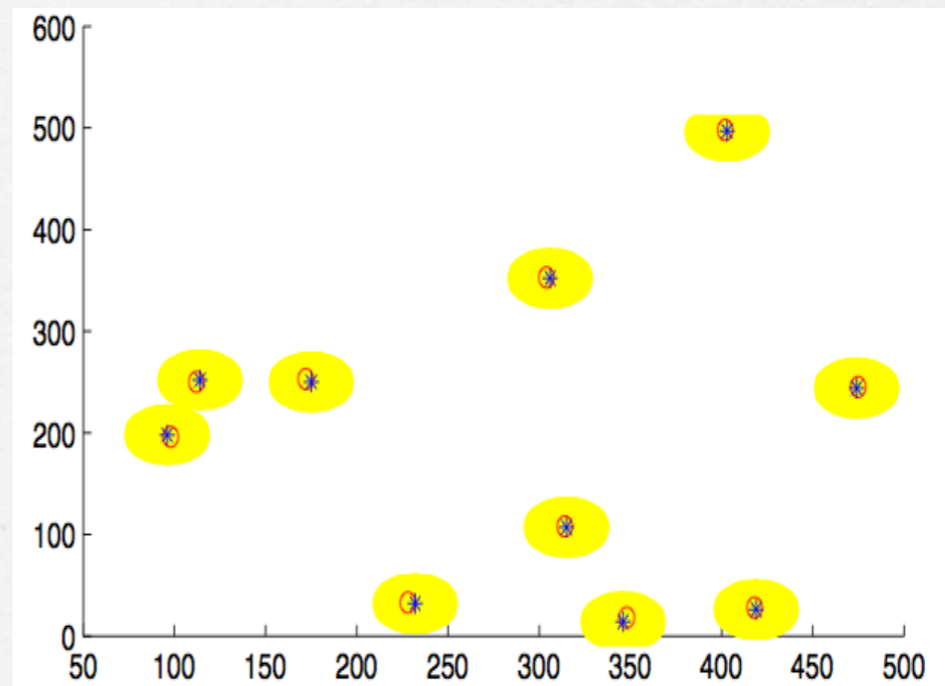
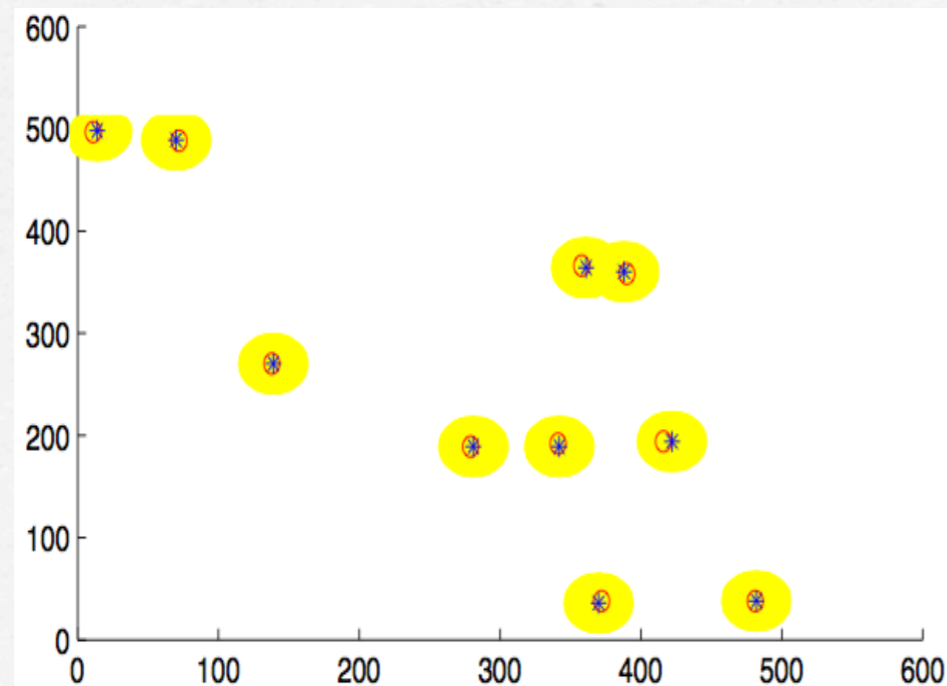
1)  $i_{\max} = \arg \max_i |\langle \mathbf{r}^{n-1}, \mathbf{a}_i \rangle|, i \notin B_\eta^{(2)}(S^{n-1})$

2)  $S^n = S^{n-1} \cup \{i_{\max}\}$

3)  $\mathbf{x}^n = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \|\mathbf{A}\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2$  s.t.  $\text{supp}(\mathbf{z}) \in S^n$

4)  $\mathbf{r}^n = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}^n$

Output:  $\mathbf{x}^s$ .





# BOMP performance guarantee

**Theorem (F&Liao)** Suppose that

$$B_\eta(i) \cap B_\eta^{(2)}(j) = \emptyset, \quad \forall i, j \in \text{supp}(\mathbf{x})$$

and that

$$(5s - 4) \cdot \eta \cdot \frac{x_{\max}}{x_{\min}} + \frac{5}{2} \cdot \frac{\|\mathbf{e}\|_2}{x_{\min}} < 1$$

where

$$x_{\max} = \max_k |x_k|, \quad x_{\min} = \min_k |x_k|.$$

Let  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  be the BOMP reconstruction. Then  $\text{supp}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \subseteq B_\eta(\text{supp}(\mathbf{x}))$  and moreover every nonzero component of  $\hat{\mathbf{x}}$  is in the  $\eta$ -coherence band of a unique nonzero component of  $\mathbf{x}$ .

Theoretical resolution  $3\ell$ . Numerical resolution  $\sim 1\ell$ .



# Local optimization (LO)

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## Algorithm 2. Local Optimization (LO)

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Input:  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{y}, \eta > 0, S^0 = \{i_1, \dots, i_k\}$ .

Iteration: For  $n = 1, 2, \dots, k$ .

- 1)  $\mathbf{x}^n = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \|\mathbf{Az} - \mathbf{y}\|_2, \quad \text{supp}(\mathbf{z}) = S^{n-1} \cup B_\eta(i_n)$ .
- 2)  $S^n = \text{supp}(\mathbf{x}^n)$ .

Output:  $S^k$ .

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## Algorithm 3. BLOOMP

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Input:  $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{y}, \eta > 0$

Initialization:  $\mathbf{x}^0 = \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{r}^0 = \mathbf{y}$  and  $S^0 = \emptyset$

Iteration: For  $n = 1, \dots, s$

- 1)  $i_{\max} = \arg \min_i |\langle \mathbf{r}^{n-1}, \mathbf{a}_i \rangle|, i \notin B_\eta^{(2)}(S^{n-1})$
- 2)  $S^n = \text{LO}(S^{n-1} \cup \{i_{\max}\})$ .
- 3)  $\mathbf{x}^n = \arg \min_{\mathbf{z}} \|\mathbf{Az} - \mathbf{y}\|_2$  s.t.  $\text{supp}(\mathbf{z}) \in S^n$
- 4)  $\mathbf{r}^n = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{Ax}^n$

Output:  $\mathbf{x}^s$ .

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# LO performance guarantee

**Theorem** (F& Liao) Let  $S^0$  and  $S^k$  be the input and output, respectively, of the LO algorithm.

If

$$x_{\min} > (\varepsilon + 2(s - 1)\eta) \left( \frac{1}{1 - \eta} + \sqrt{\frac{1}{(1 - \eta)^2} + \frac{1}{1 - \eta^2}} \right)$$

and each element of  $S^0$  is in the  $\eta$ -coherence band of a unique nonzero component of  $\mathbf{x}$ , then each element of  $S^k$  remains in the  $\eta$ -coherence band of a unique nonzero component of  $\mathbf{x}$ .



# BLO-based CS-algorithms

BLO **Subspace Pursuit** (BLOSP)

BLO **Co-SaMP** (BLO-CoSaMP)

BLO **Iterative Hard Thresholding** (BLOIHT)



BP-BLOT

Constrained L1-minimization



Lasso-BLOT

Unconstrained L1-minimization

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etc.



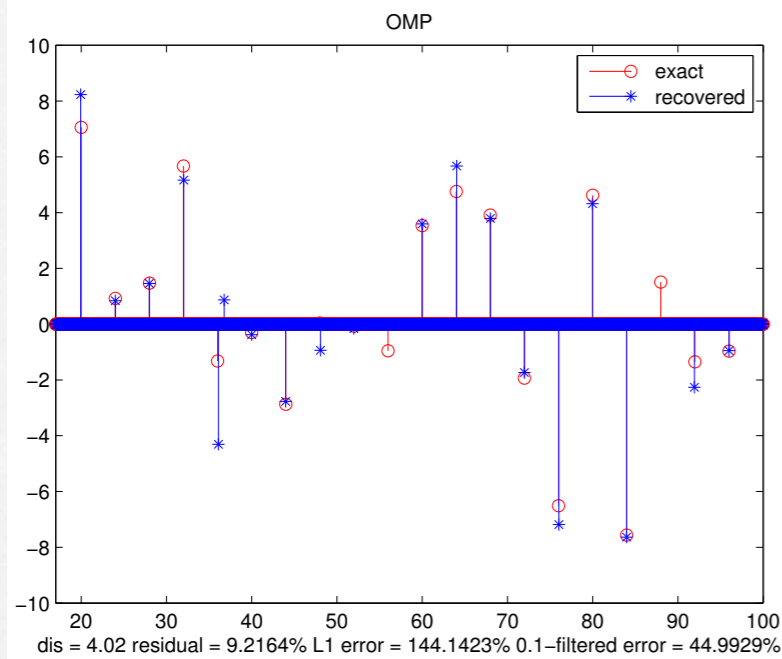
# Comparison with BP

Candes & Fernandez-Granda 2012

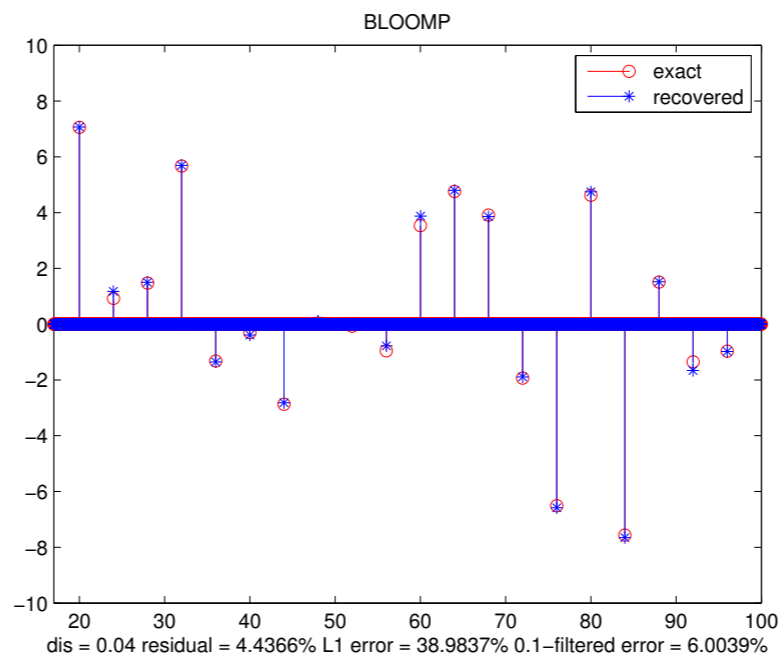
Error  $\leq$  Constant  $\cdot F^2 \cdot$  Noise

- Requires target separation of at least 4 Rayleigh lengths (RLs)
- Fourier measurement
- Error bound meaningful only with SNR  $\gg 1$
- Error  $> 80\%$  at  $F = 20$  (gridding error  $\sim 5\%$ ) independent of SNR

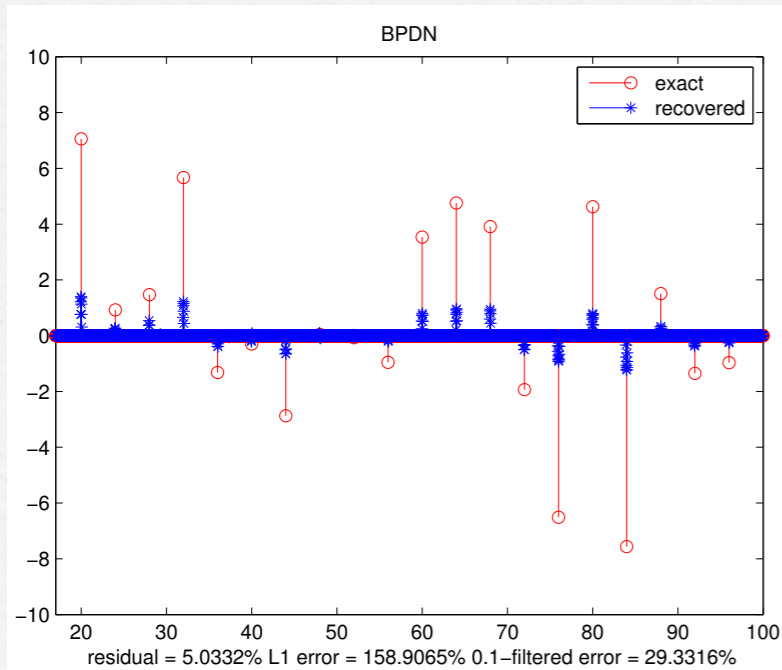




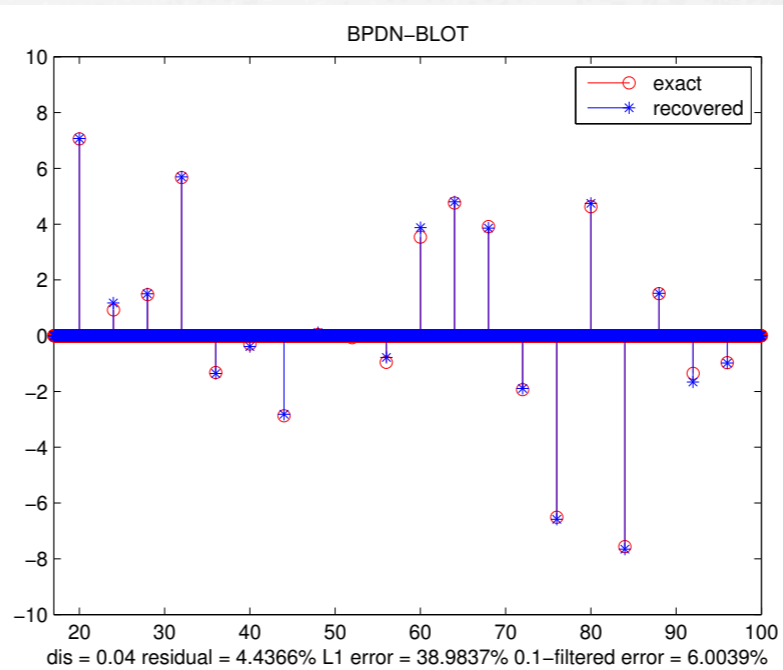
(a) OMP



(b) BLOOMP



(c) BP

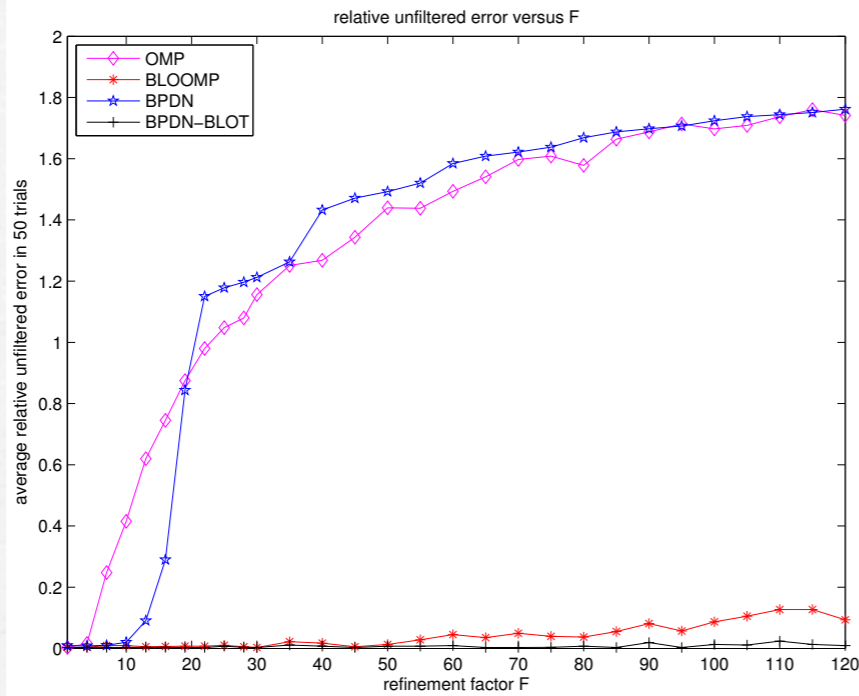


(d) BP-BLOT

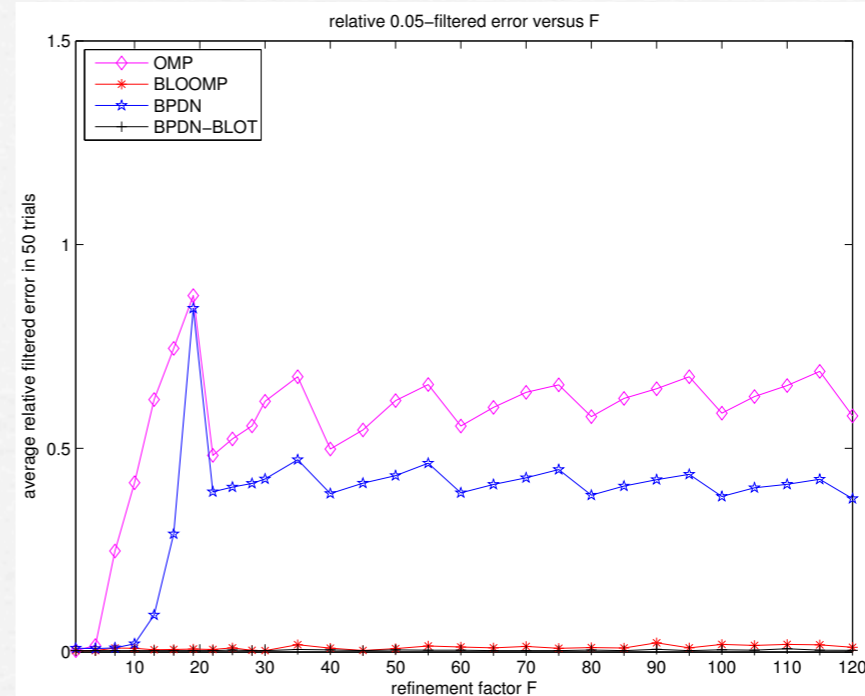
- 20 random-phased, well-separated targets
- Real-parts shown
- $F=50$
- $SNR=20$
- Accuracy of BLOOMP & BP-BLOT is a few % RL



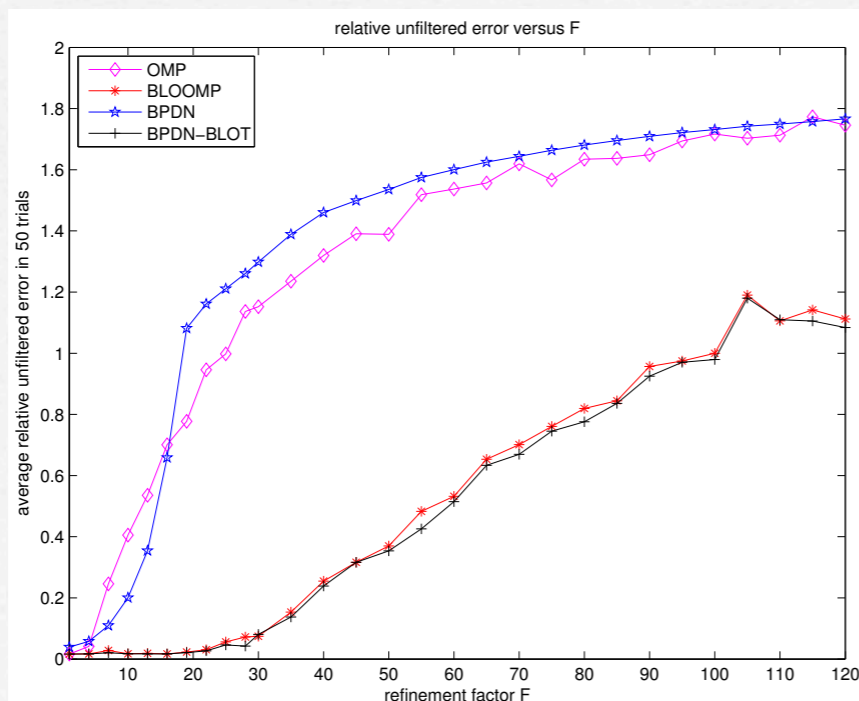
# Relative error vs. Refinement factor



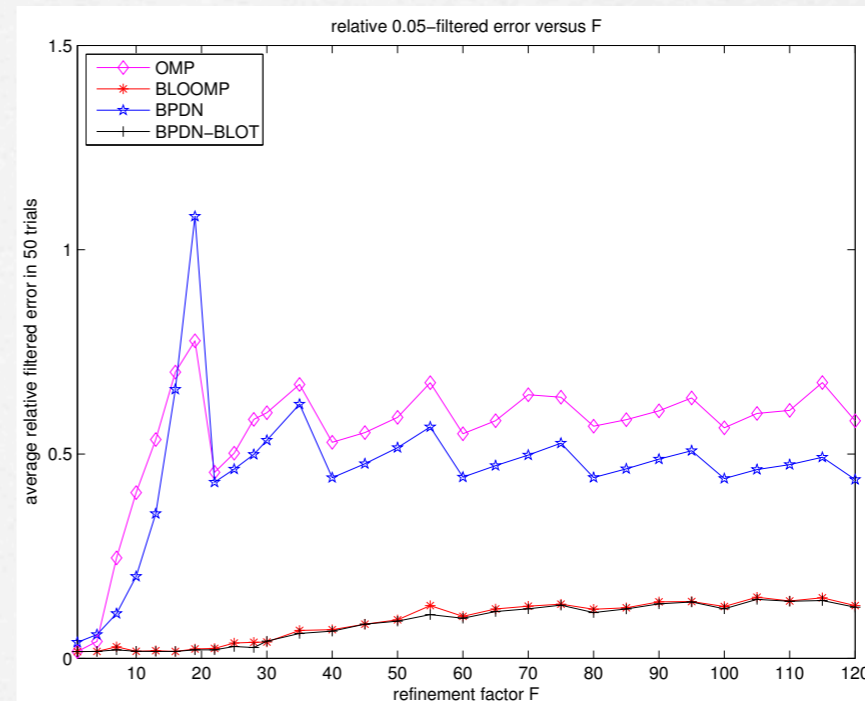
SNR=100, filter width = 0



SNR=100, filter width = 0.1



SNR=20, filter width = 0



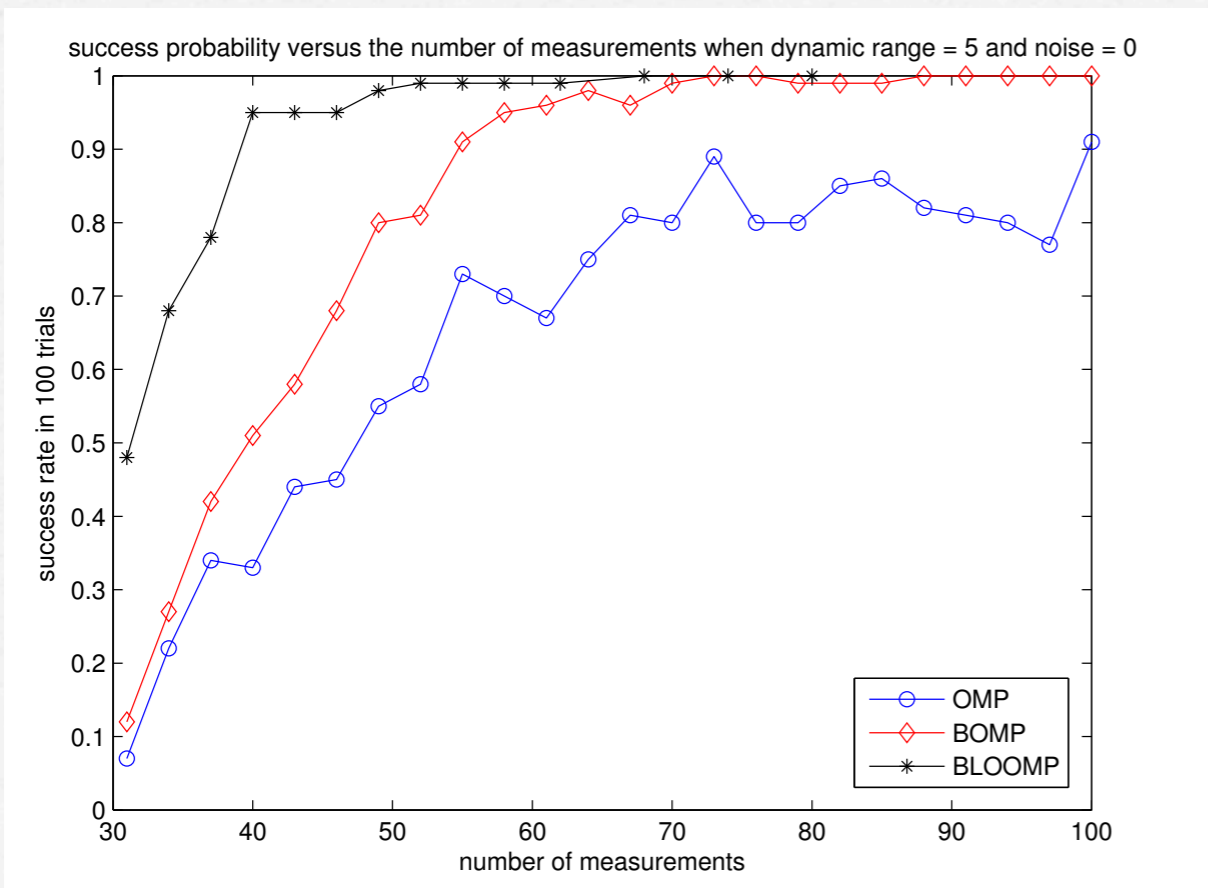
SNR=20, filter width = 0.1



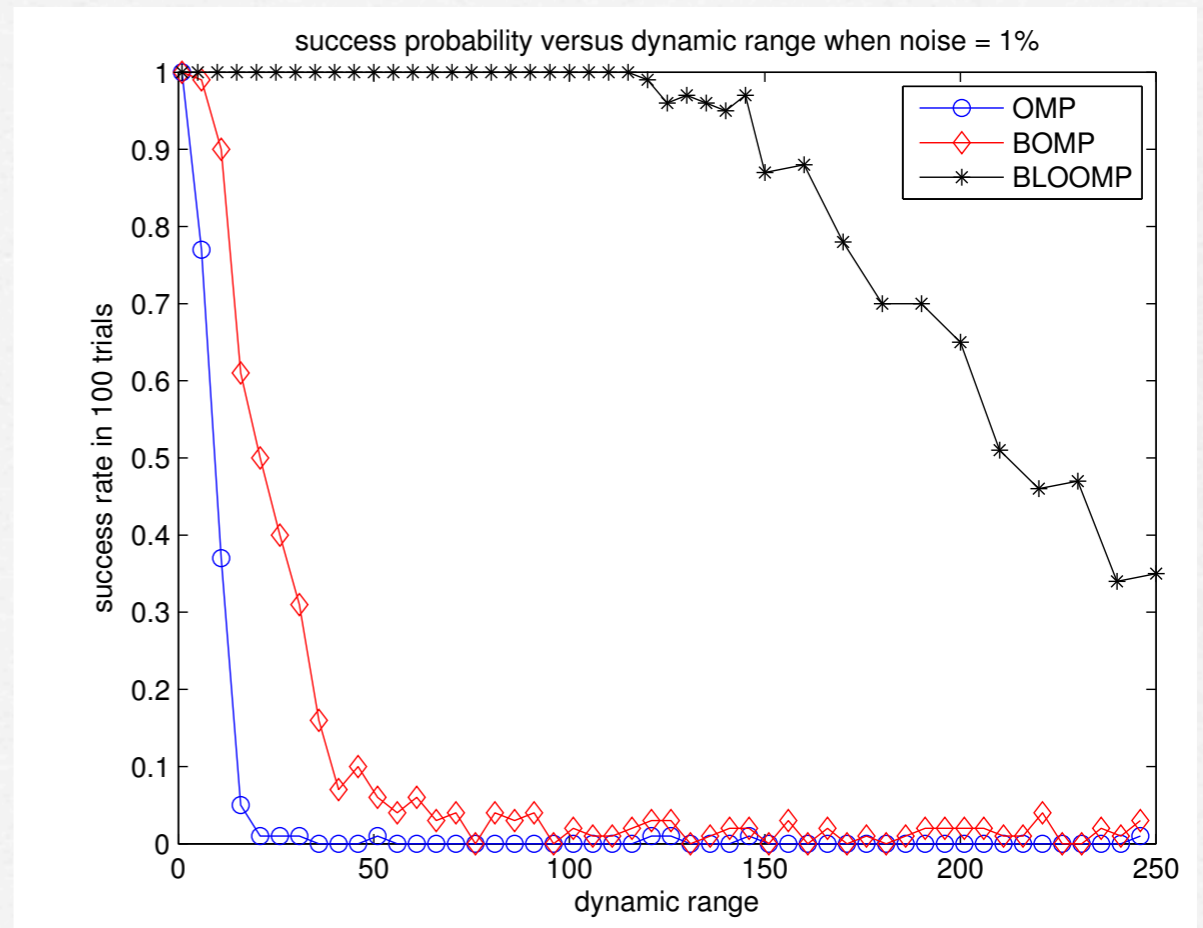
For two subsets  $A$  and  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  of the same cardinality, the **Bottleneck distance**  $d_B(A, B)$  is defined as

$$d_B(A, B) = \min_{f \in \mathcal{M}} \max_{a \in A} |a - f(a)|$$

where  $\mathcal{M}$  is the collection of all one-to-one mappings from  $A$  to  $B$ .



Success rate vs. number of data

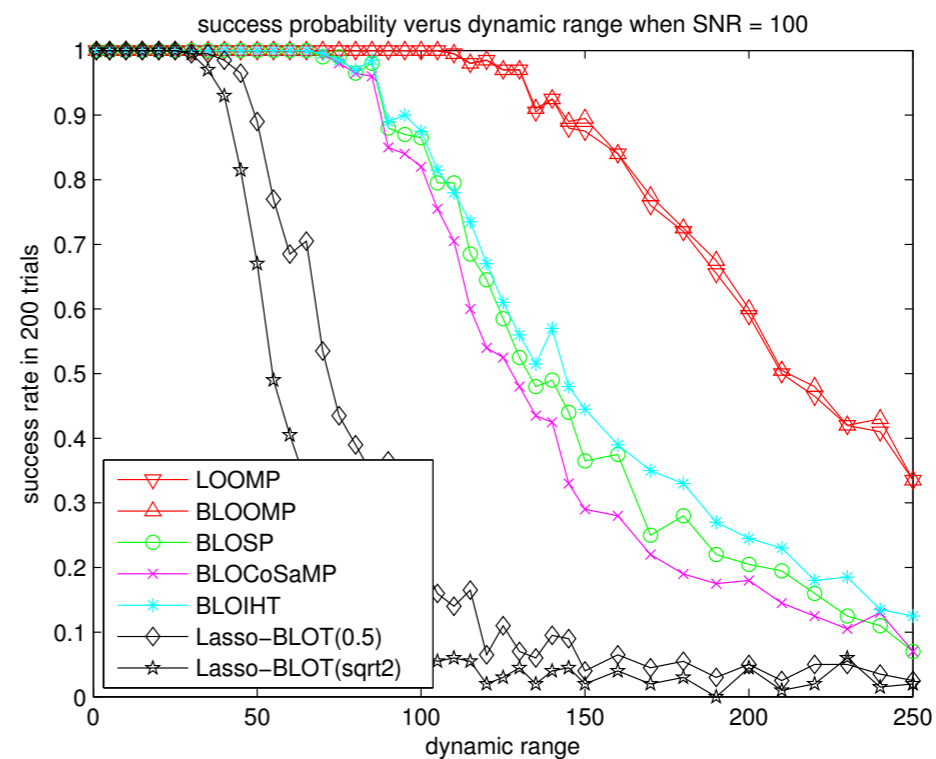
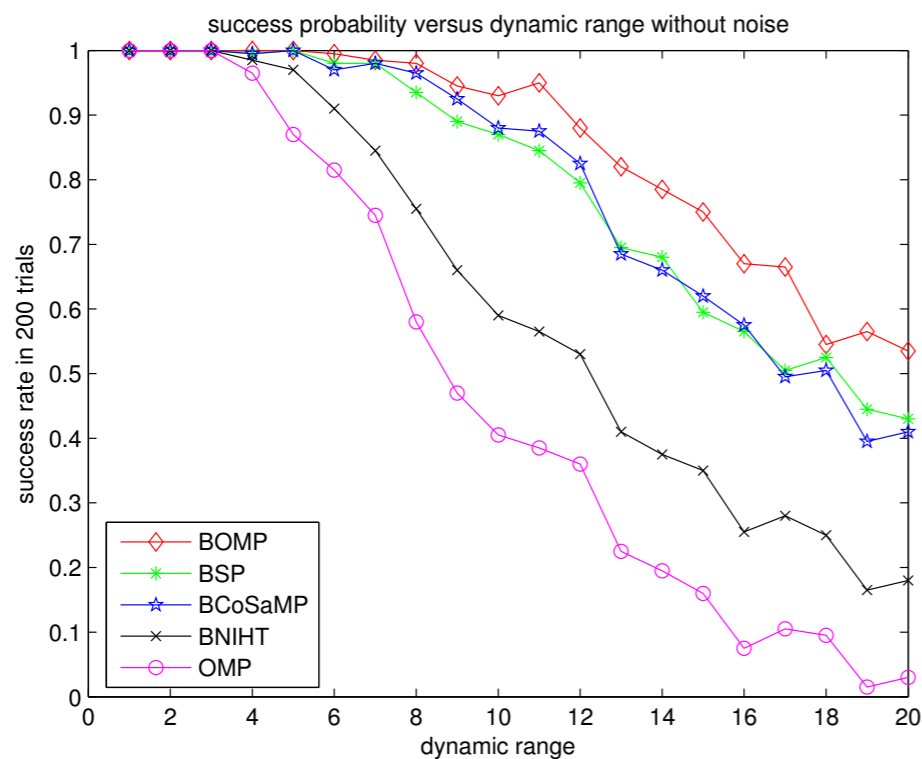


Success rate vs. dynamic range

S=10

# Performance vs. target range

S=10



LO dramatically improves the performance w.r.t. dynamic range

**BLOOMP performs better than Lasso-BLOT**



# CS with highly redundant dictionary

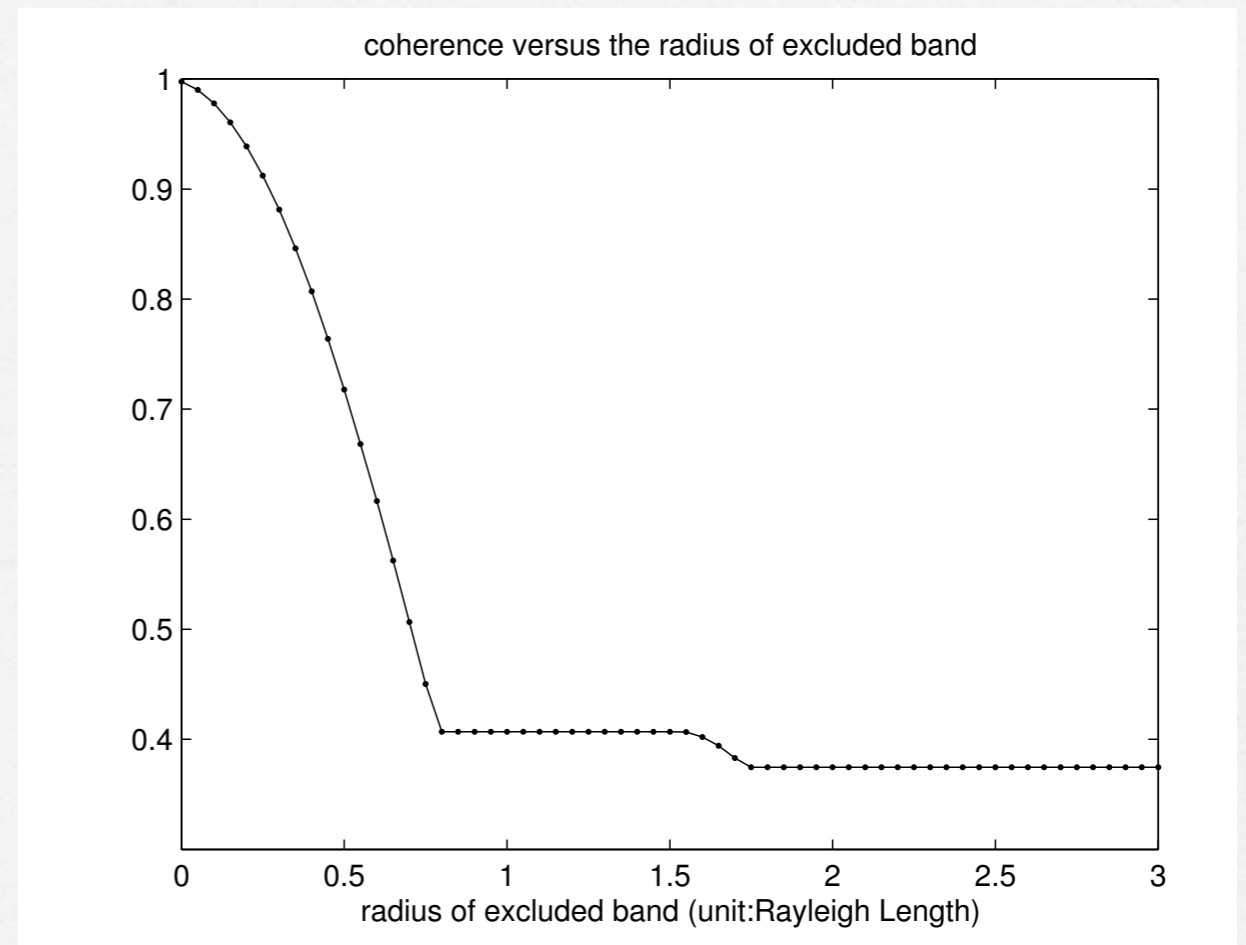
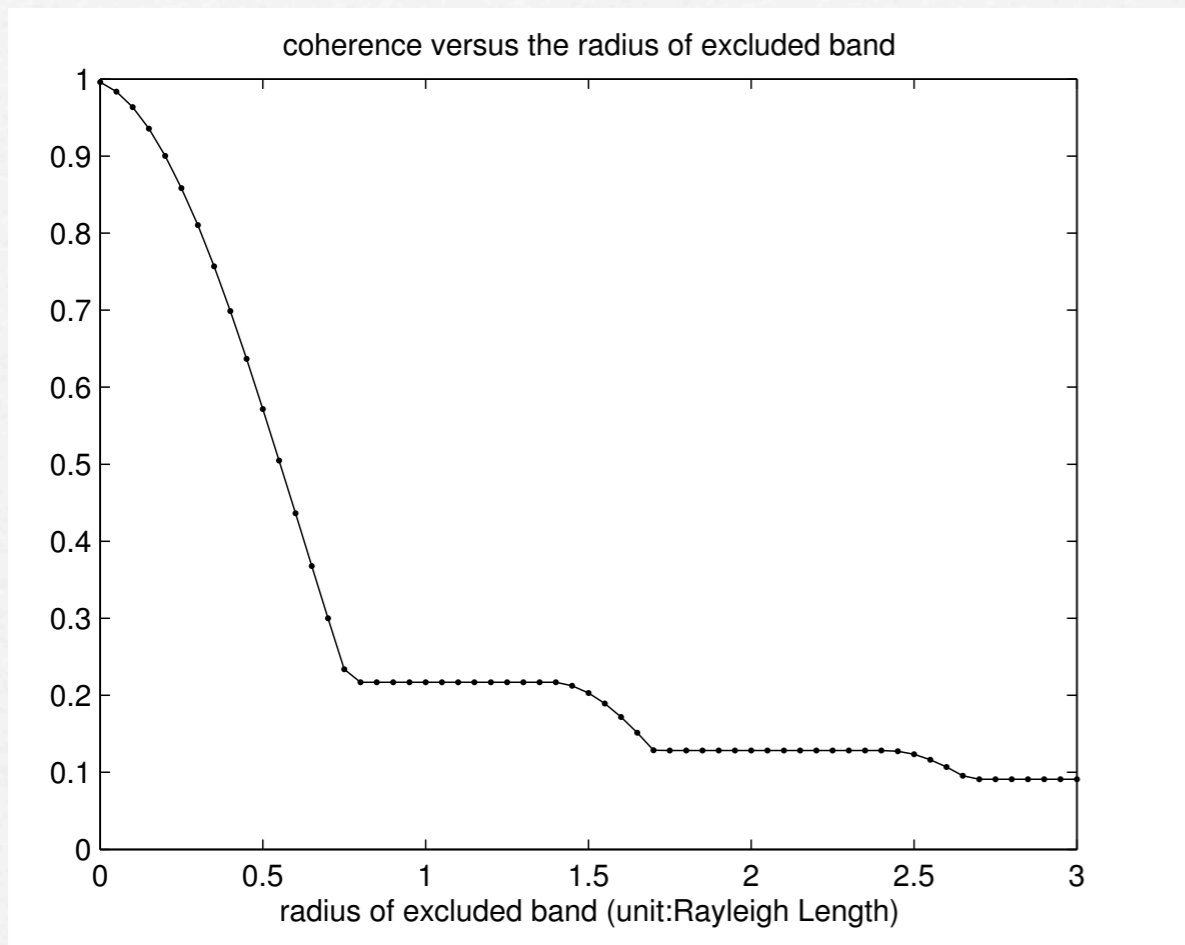
$$y = \Phi x + e = \Phi D \alpha + e$$

where  $\Phi$  is i.i.d. Gaussian matrix and  $D$  is an oversampled, redundant DFT frame.

Performance metric:

$$\frac{\|D(\alpha - \hat{\alpha})\|}{\|D\alpha\|}$$

# Coherence pattern



- Coherence band of the dictionary
- Coherence band of the sensing matrix



# Analysis approach: Frame-based BP

Candes-Eldar-Needel-Randall 2011

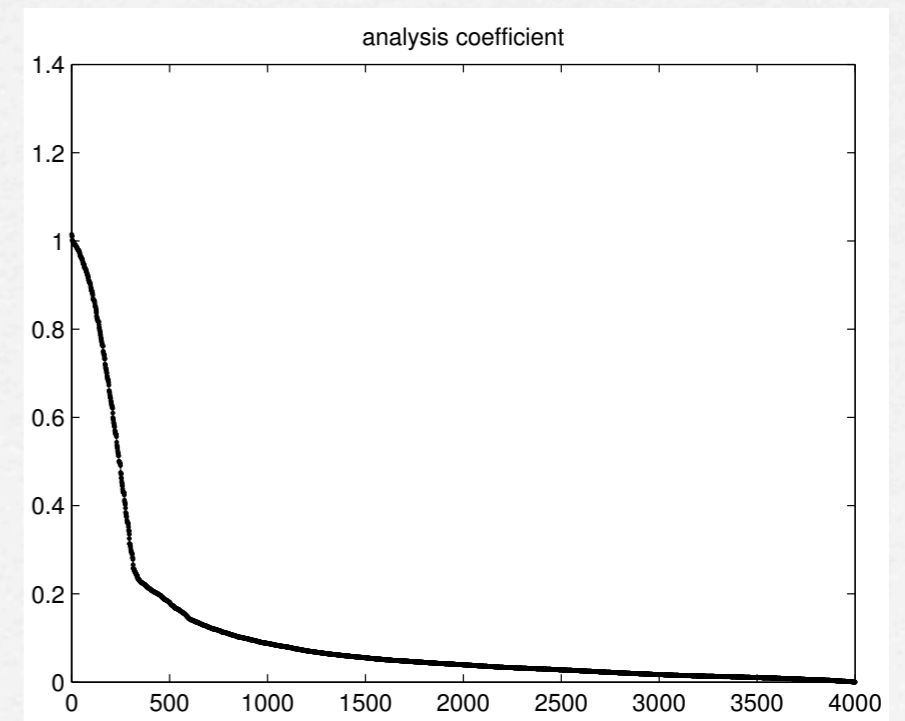
$$\min_{\mathbf{z}} \|\mathbf{D}^* \mathbf{z}\|_1, \quad \|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{z} - \mathbf{y}\|_2 \leq \varepsilon, \quad \mathbf{A} = \Phi \mathbf{D}$$

**Assumptions:** 1) Frame-adapted RIP

$$(1 - \delta) \|\mathbf{D} \mathbf{z}\|_2^2 \leq \|\mathbf{A} \mathbf{z}\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \delta) \|\mathbf{D} \mathbf{z}\|_2^2, \quad \|\mathbf{z}\|_0 \leq 2s$$

2) sparsity or compressibility  
of analysis coefficients

**But**, unless with a tight frame, analysis coefficients have long tail



# Analysis approach: Spectral CS

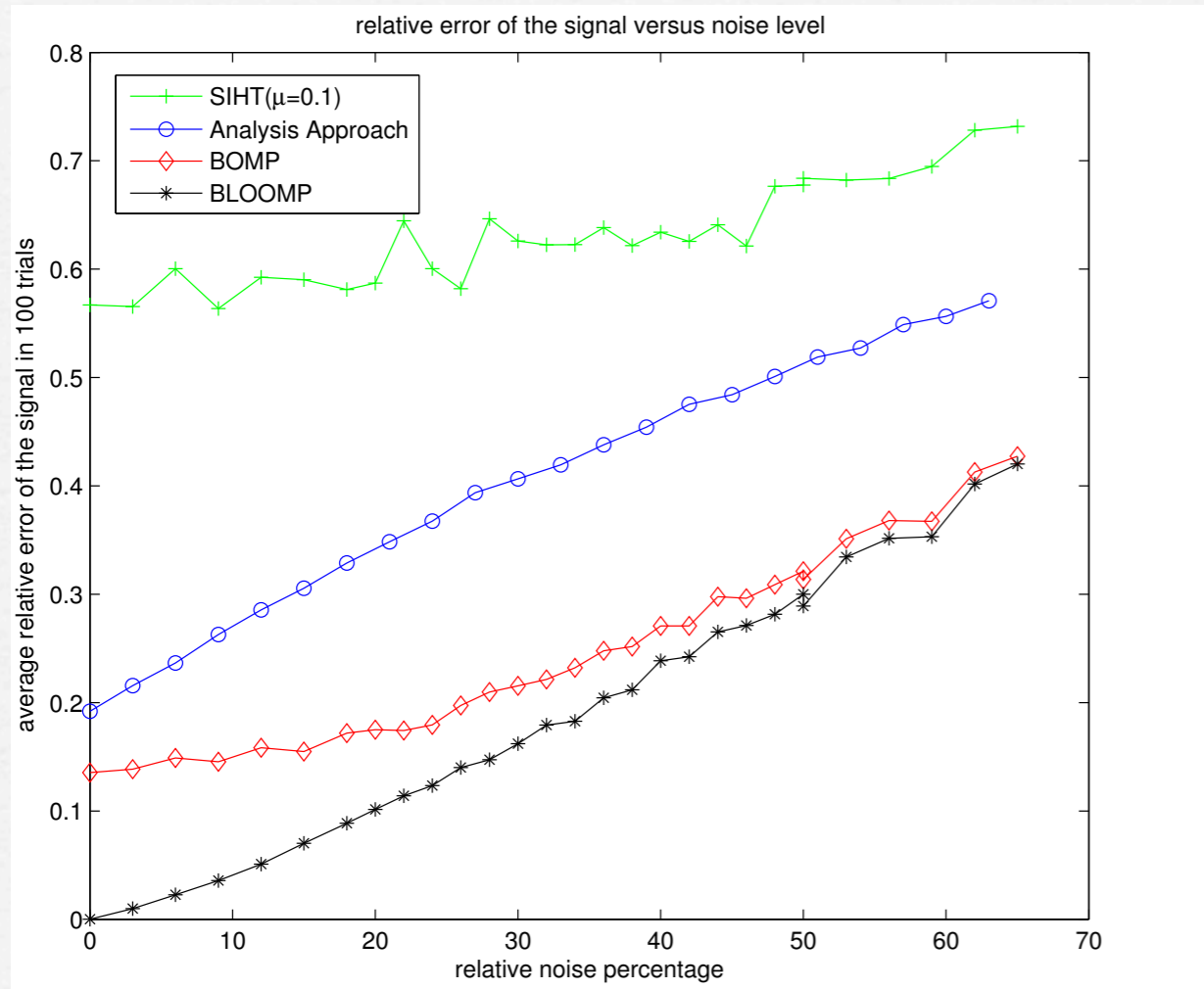
Duarte-Baraniuk 2012: model-based CS (SIHT)

$$\text{IHT: } \mathbf{x}^{n+1} = T_s(\mathbf{x}^n + \Phi^*(\mathbf{y} - \Phi\mathbf{x}^n))$$

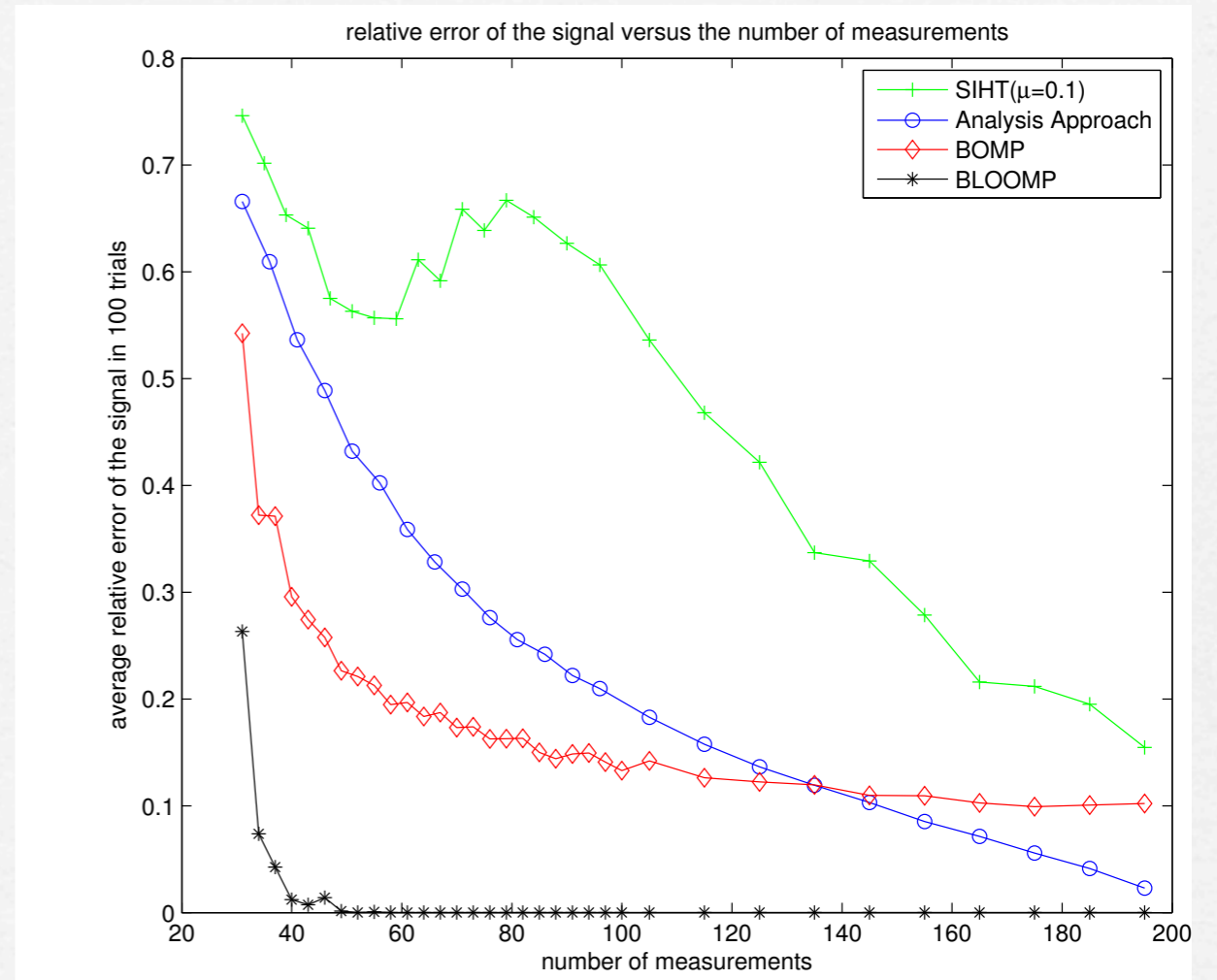
Coherence-inhibiting structured sparse approximation is implemented by the heuristics of selecting the  $s$  largest, well separated **analysis coefficients**.



# Comparison: analysis vs. synthesis



Error vs. percentage noise



Error vs. number of data

S=10, Target range = 10

# Super-resolution w. Fourier measurement

Donoho 1992: optimal recovery theory, no explicit algorithm

$$\text{Error} \leq \text{Constant} \cdot F^\alpha \cdot \text{Noise}, \quad \alpha \leq 2R + 1$$

$$\text{Rayleigh index } R(S) = \min \left\{ r : r \geq \sup_t \#(S \cap [t, t + 4lr)) \right\}$$

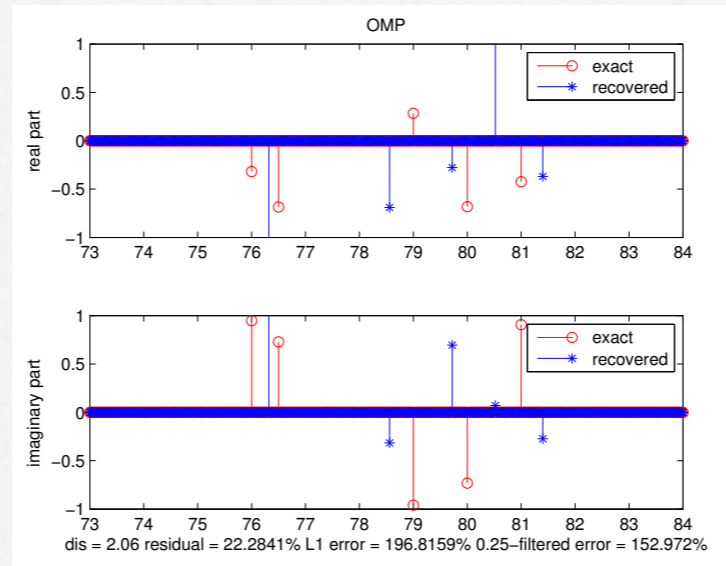
Rayleigh index of a set  $S$  is at most  $r$  if every interval of length  $4lr$  contains at most  $r$  points in  $S$ .  $R(S)$  is the smallest of such  $r$ .

Candes & Fernandez-Granda 2012 (BP)  $\longrightarrow$   $R=1$

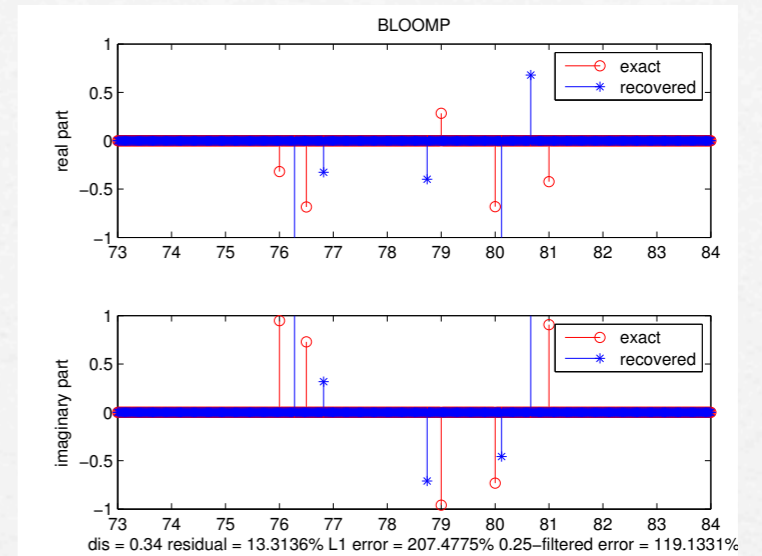
F& Liao: 2 (BMT) or 3 (BOMP, BLOOMP) RLs  $\longrightarrow$   $R= \text{any}$



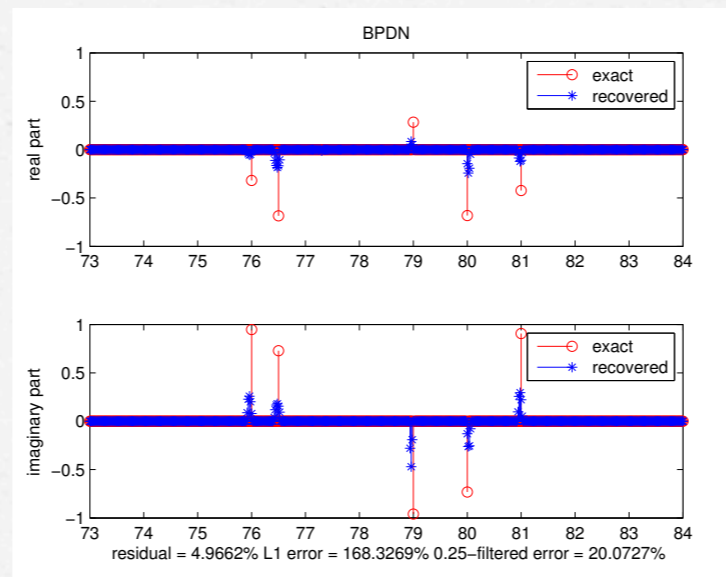
- Use prior info as constraint in search



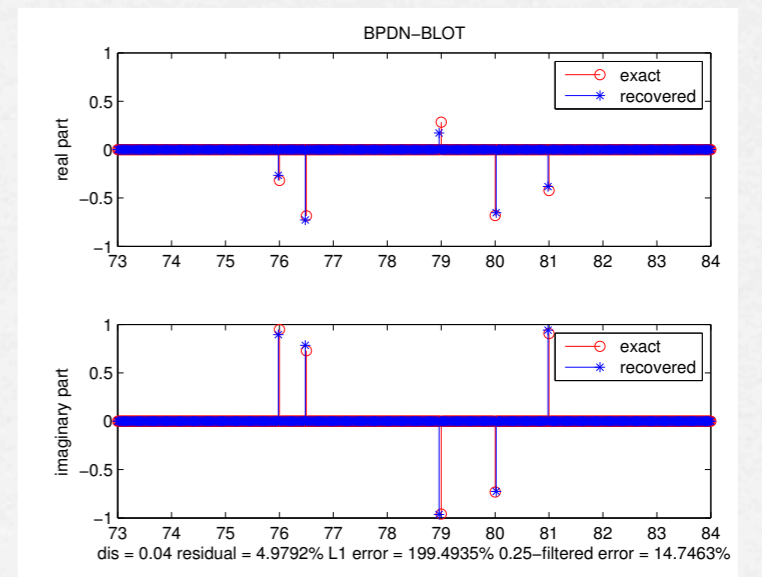
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(b) BLOOMP



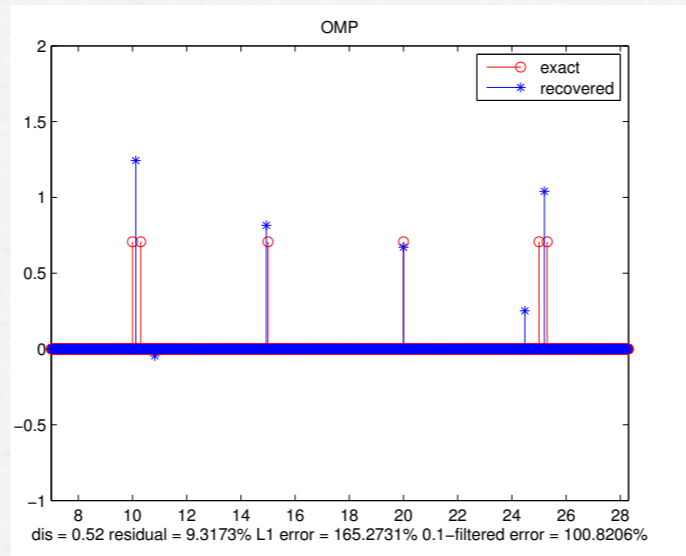
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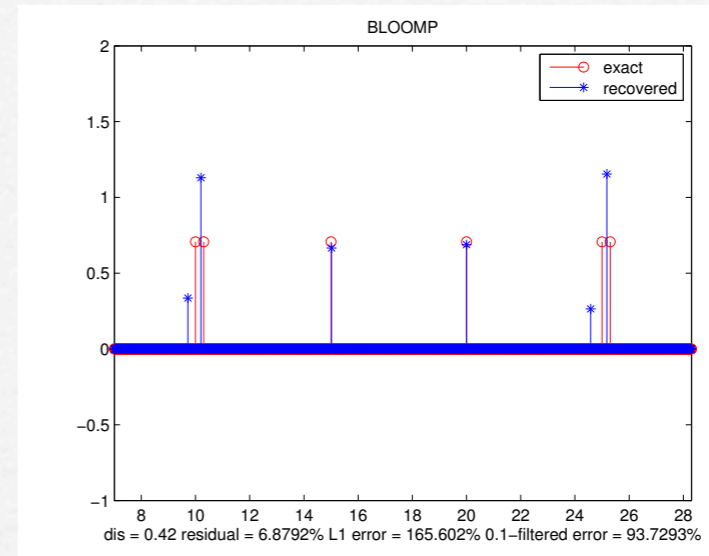
(d) BP-BLOT

5 random-phased spikes at **76, 76.5, 79, 80, 81** (R=5) with F=50, SNR=20

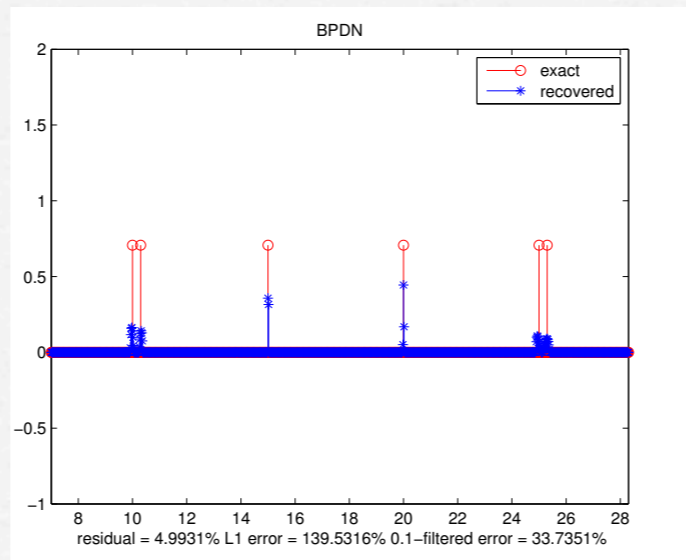
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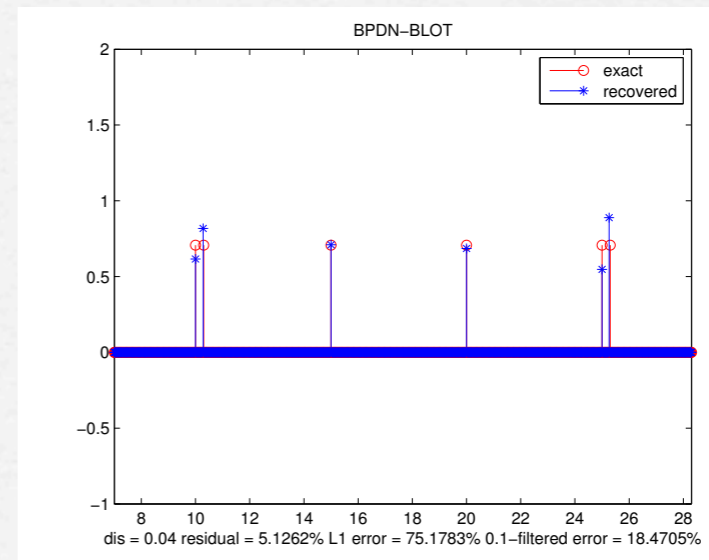
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(b) BLOOMP



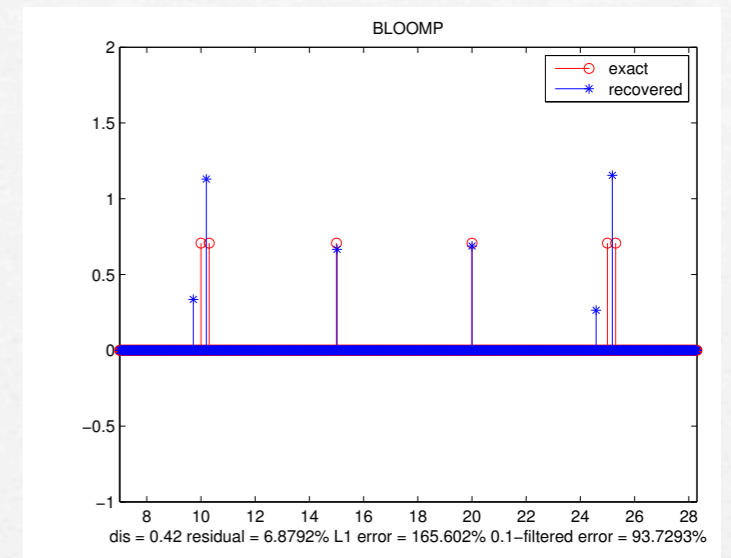
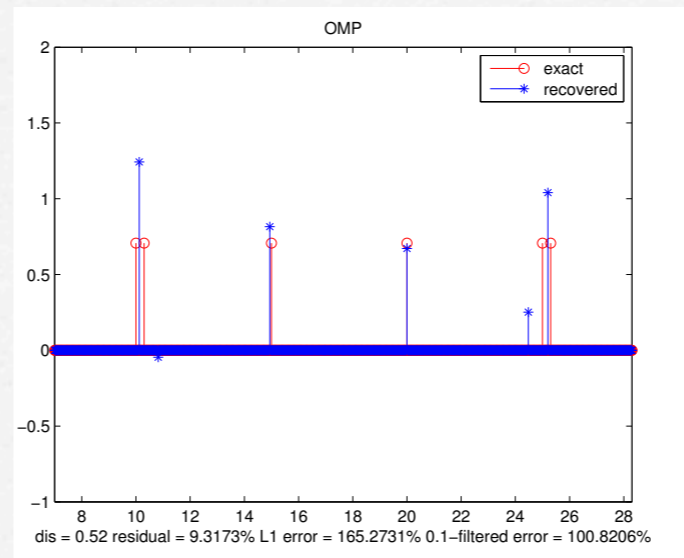
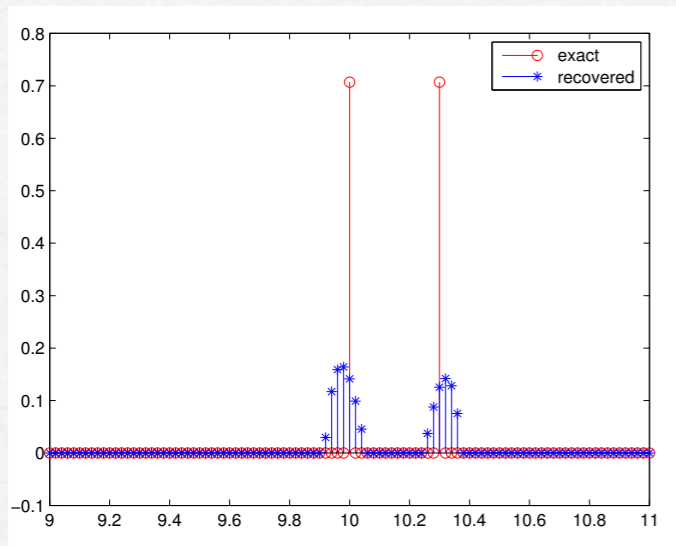
(c) BP



(d) BP-BLOT

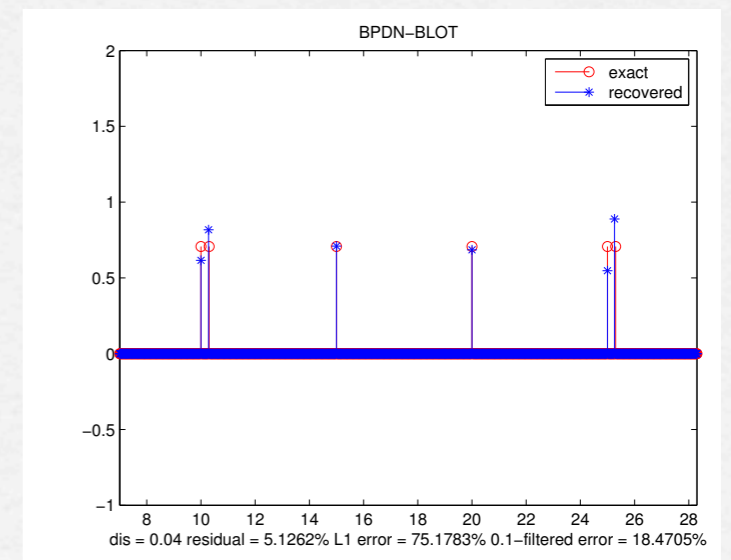
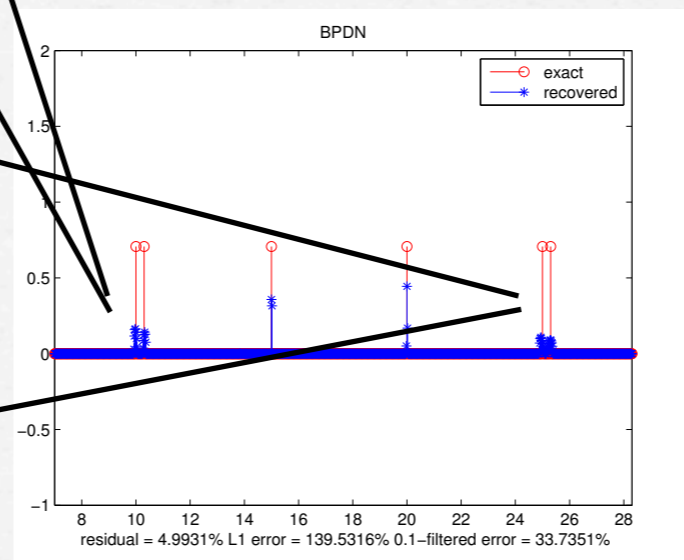
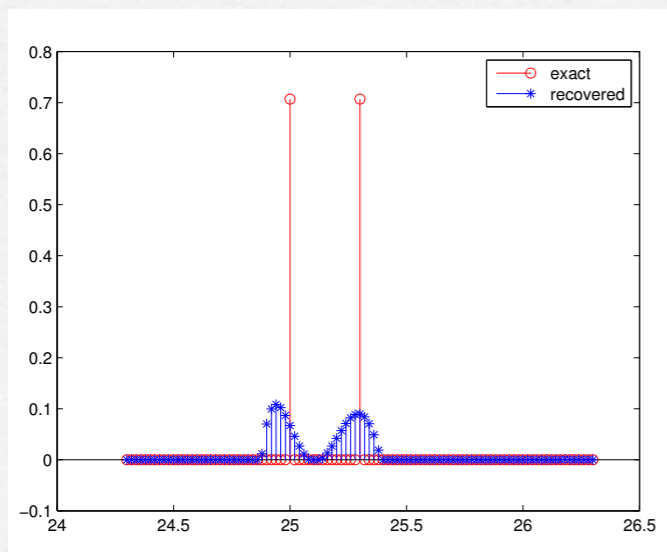
5 random-phased spikes (real part) at **10, 10.3, 15, 20, 25, 25.3** (R=6) with F=50, SNR=20





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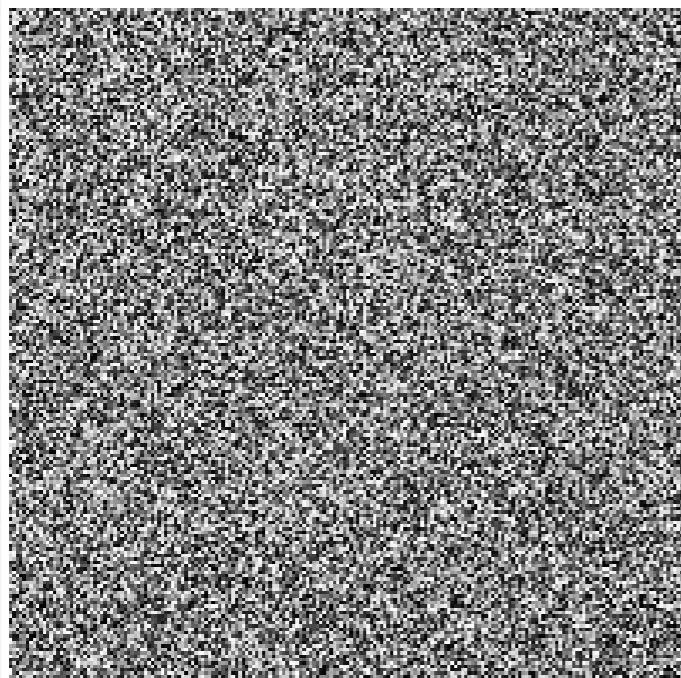
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# High resolution illumination

F=10, OR=2, # random shifts=50

# data = 2 # pixels

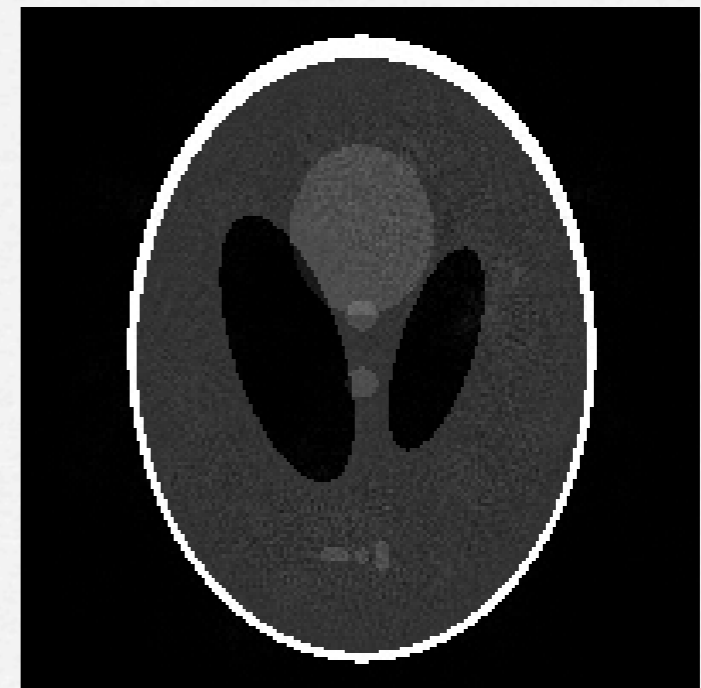
Algorithm: alternating projection



HRI



200 x 200 phantom



6% error, 0.7% residual



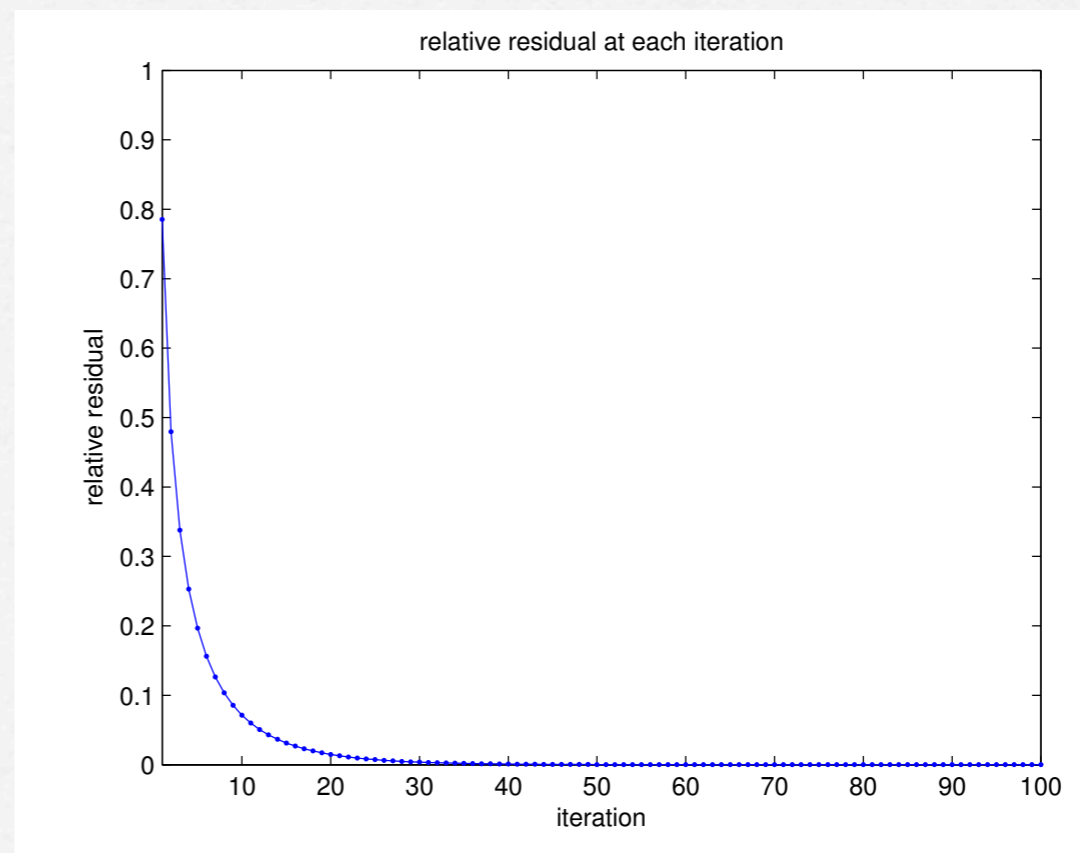
# HRI

F=10, OR=2, # regular shifts=100  
# data= 4 # pixels

Algorithm: alternating projection



(a) error = 0.0001%

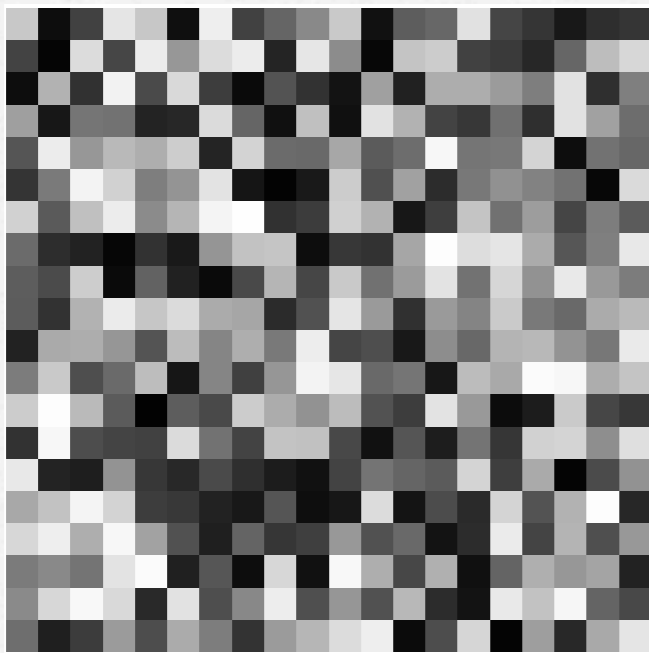


(b) relative residual, residual = 0.00005%

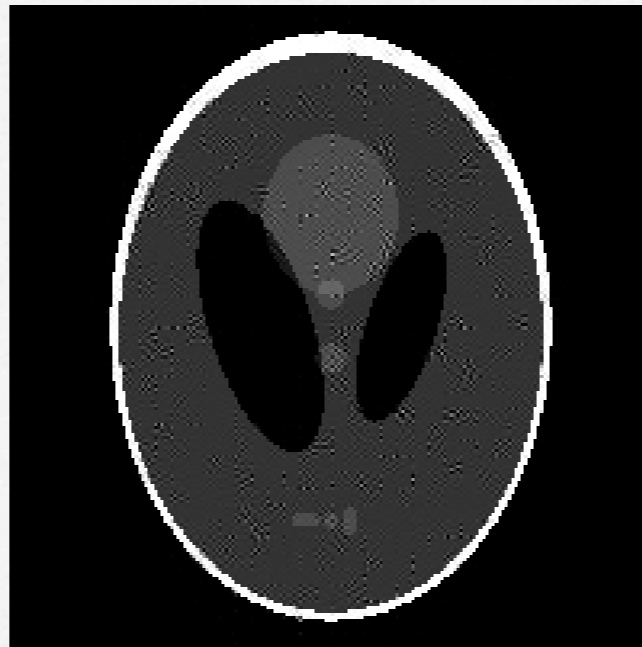
# Low resolution illumination

F=5, OR=2, # regular shifts=25  
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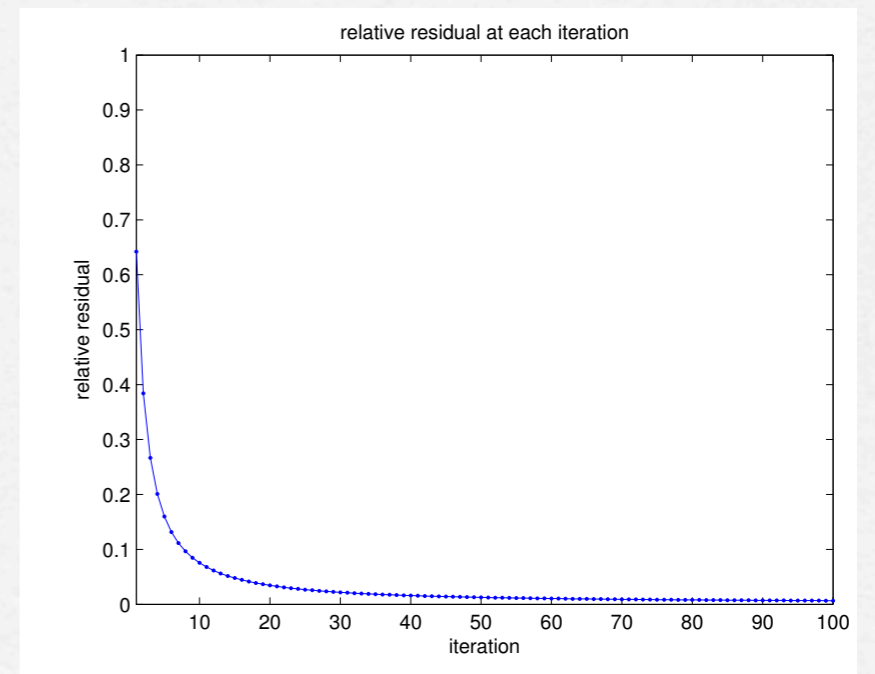
Algorithm: alternating projection



LRI: independent 5x5-blocks



(a) error = 14.53%



(b) relative residual, residual = 0.66%



# Conclusion

- ◆ BLO away the resolvable grid: BLOOMP, BP-BLOT
- ◆ Theoretical resolution: 2 or 3 Rayleigh lengths
- ◆ Practical resolution: 1 Rayleigh length
- ◆ Accuracy: a few percents of Rayleigh length
- ◆ # measurements  $\sim s^2 x_{\max}^2 / x_{\min}^2$ , SNR
- ◆ Better than (thresholded) BP and analysis approaches such as Frame-adapted BP, SIHT
- ◆ BP-BLOT has super-resolution effect
- ◆ Roughly translation-invariant coherence pattern, cf. Adcock & Hansen: infinite-dim CS
- ◆ Super-resolution with random illumination



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