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# Xampling

## From Theory to Hardware of Sub-Nyquist Sampling

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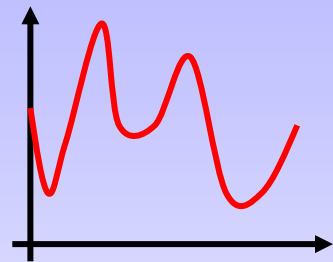
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# Sampling: "Analog Girl in a Digital World..." Judy Gorman 99

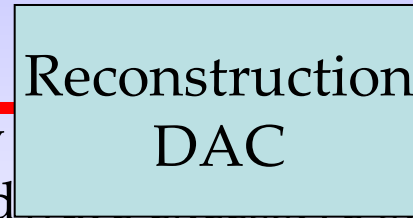
Analog world



- Music
- Radar
- Image...

$x(t)$

$\tilde{x}(t)$

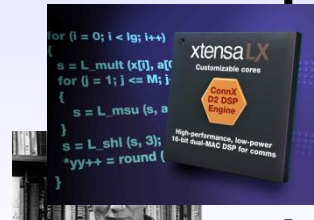
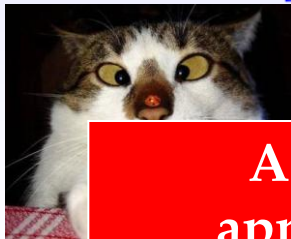
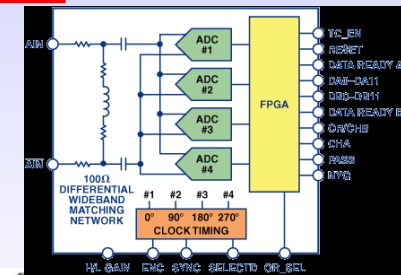


Digital world

$c[n]$

- Signal processing
- Image denoising
- Analysis...

- Very hard to find solutions
- High DSP rates

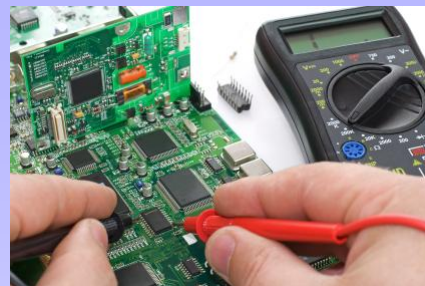


**ADCs, the front end of every digital application, remain a major bottleneck**

# Today's Paradigm

## The Separation Theorem:

- Circuit designer experts design samplers at Nyquist rate or higher
- DSP/machine learning experts process the data
  - Typical first step: Throw away (or combine in a “smart” way e.g. dimensionality reduction) much of the data ...
  - Logic: Exploit structure prevalent in most applications to reduce DSP processing rates
  - However, the analog step is one of the costly steps



**Can we use the structure to reduce sampling rate + first DSP rate (data transfer, bus ...) as well?**

# Key Idea

Exploit structure to improve data processing performance:

- Reduce storage/reduce sampling rates
- Reduce processing rates
- Increase imaging resolution
- Reduce power, size, cost...

Goal:

- Survey sampling strategies that exploit signal structure to reduce rate
- Present a unified framework for sub-Nyquist sampling
- Provide a variety of different applications and benefits

# Outline

- Part 1: Introduction
- Part 2: Sub-Nyquist in a subspace
  - Generalized sampling framework
  - Examples
- Part 3: Union of subspaces
  - Model, analog and discrete applications
  - Short intro to compressed sensing
- Part 4: Xampling, Sub-Nyquist in a union
  - Functional framework
  - Modulated wideband conversion
  - Sparse shift-invariant sampling
  - Finite-rate/sequences of innovation methods
  - Random demodulation
- Part 5: From theory to hardware
  - Practical design metrics
  - Circuit challenges

# Tutorial Goal

To be as interactive as possible!

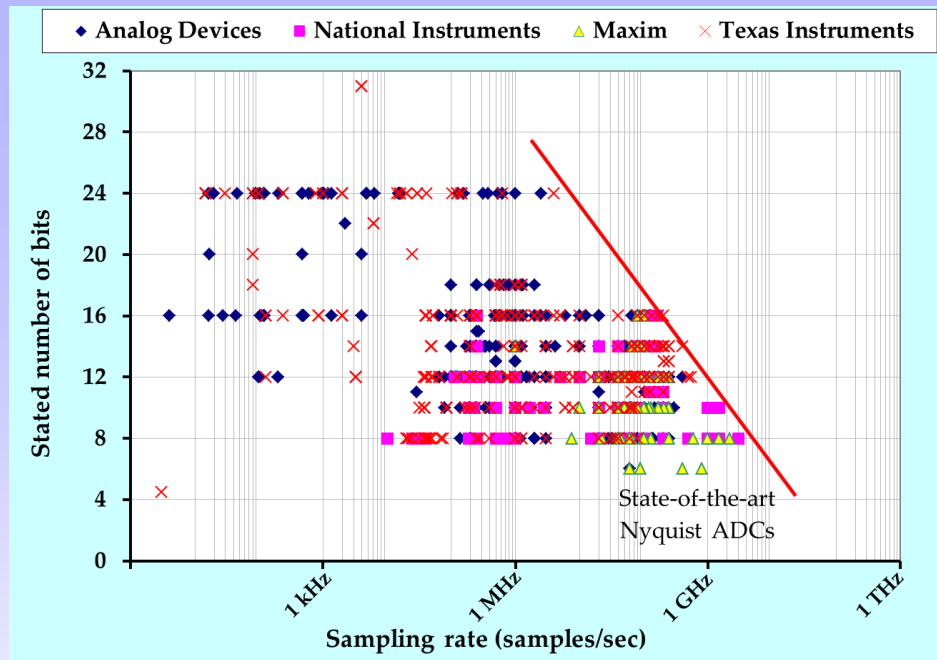
- Feel free to ask questions
- Raise ideas
- Slow me down if things are too fast ...

Hope you learn and enjoy!

**– Part 1 –  
Introduction**

→ Outline

# ADC Market



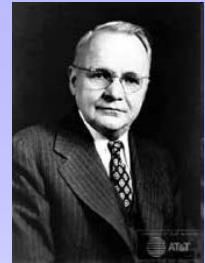
- State-of-the-art ADCs generate uniform samples at the input's Nyquist rate
- Continuous effort to:
  - increase sampling rate (Giga-samples/sec)
  - increase front-end bandwidth
  - increase (effective) number of bits

**Working in digital becomes difficult**



# Nyquist Rate Sampling

- Standard processing techniques require sampling at the Nyquist rate = twice the highest frequency
- Narrow pulse, wide sensing range = high Nyquist rate
- Results in hardware excessive solutions and high DSP rates
- Too difficult to process, store and transmit



**Main Idea:**

**Exploit structure to reduce sampling and processing rates**

# The Key – Structure



- Sampling reduces “dimensions”
- Must have some prior on  $x(t)$

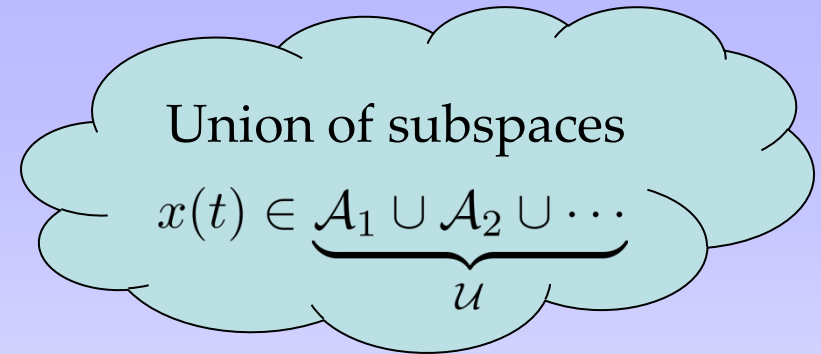
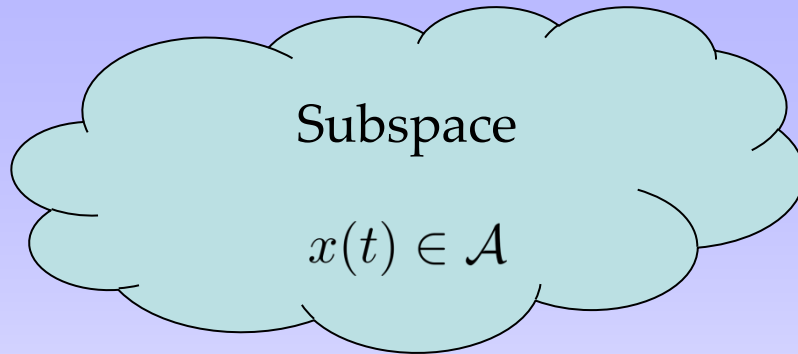
- Model too narrow (e.g. pure sine) → not widely applicable
  - Model too wide (e.g. bandlimited) → no rate reduction
- $x(t)$  piecewise linear bandlimited

**Key: Treat signal models that are sufficiently wide and structured at the same time**

**Prior (= Signal Model) Necessary for Recovery**

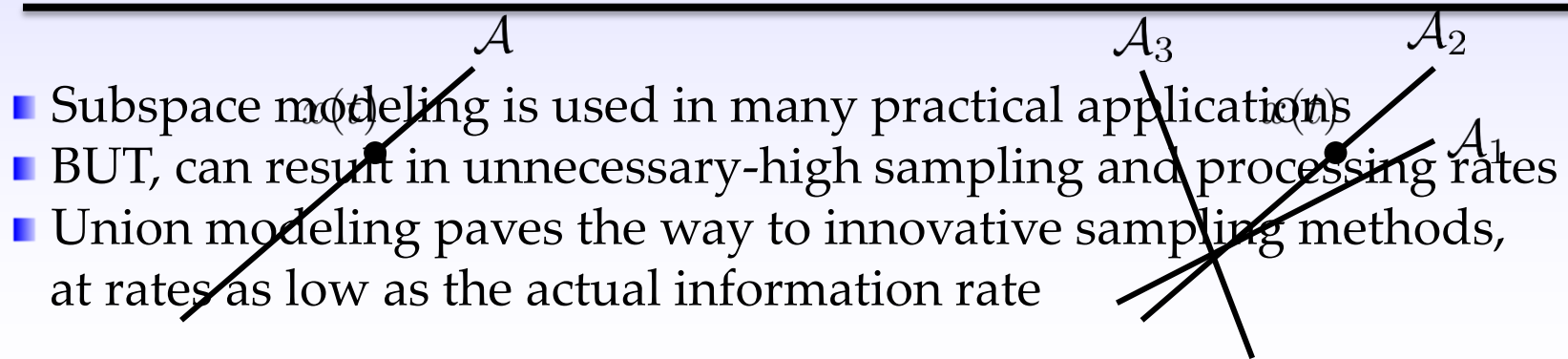
# Structure Types

- In this tutorial we treat 2 main structures:



- Linear:**  $x, y \in \mathcal{A} \rightarrow \alpha x + \beta y \in \mathcal{A}$
- Generalized sampling theory

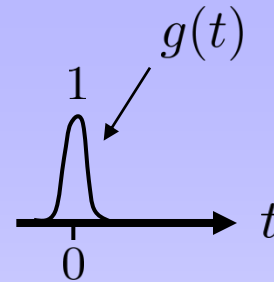
- Nonlinear:**  $x + y \notin \mathcal{U}$  (typically)
- Xampling** (functional framework)



# Ultrasound

(Collaboration with  
General Electric, Israel)

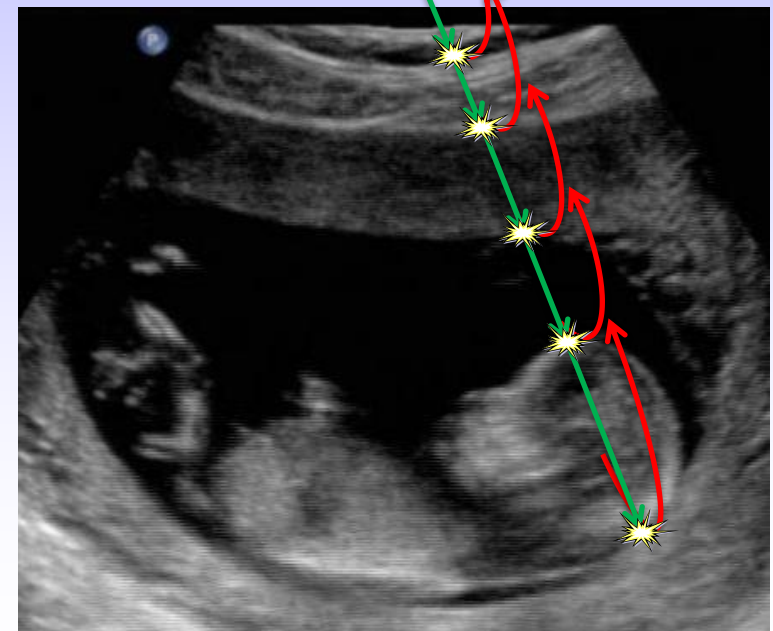
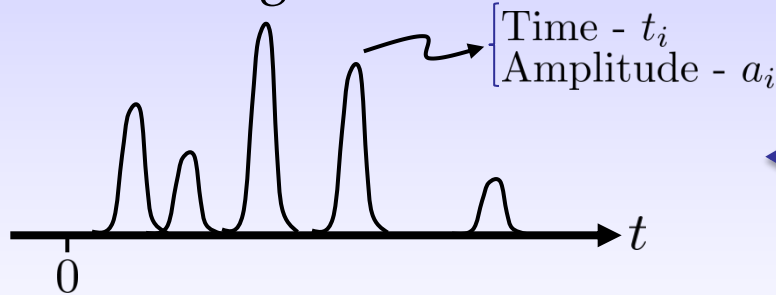
Tx pulse



Ultrasonic probe



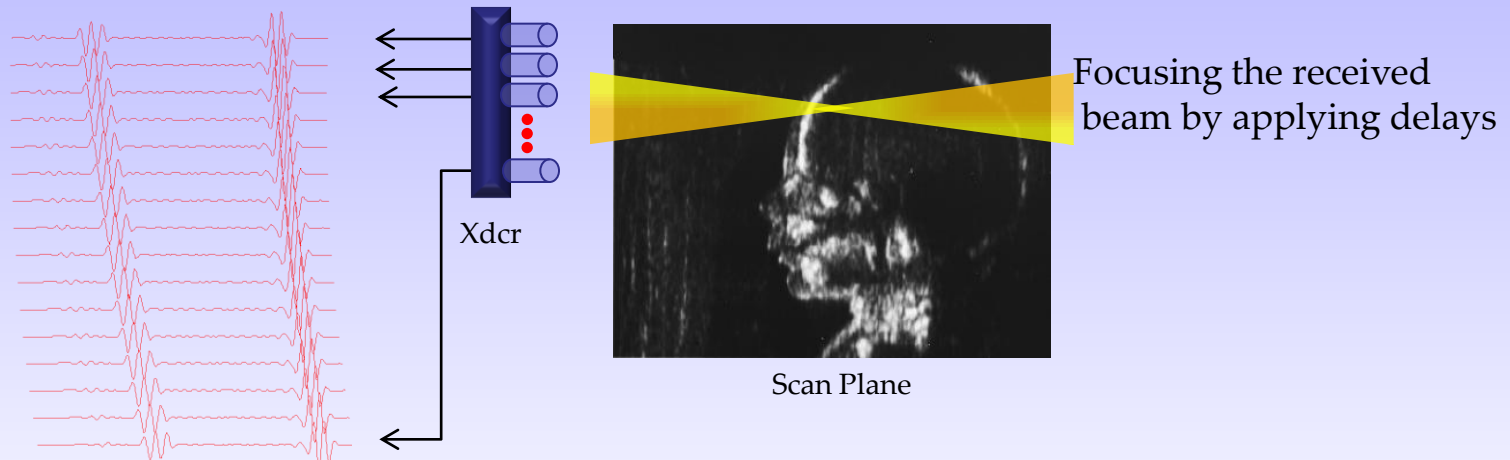
Rx signal



- Echoes result from scattering in the tissue
- The image is formed by identifying the scatterers

# Processing Rates

- To increase SNR the reflections are viewed by an antenna array
- SNR is improved through beamforming by introducing appropriate time shifts to the received signals

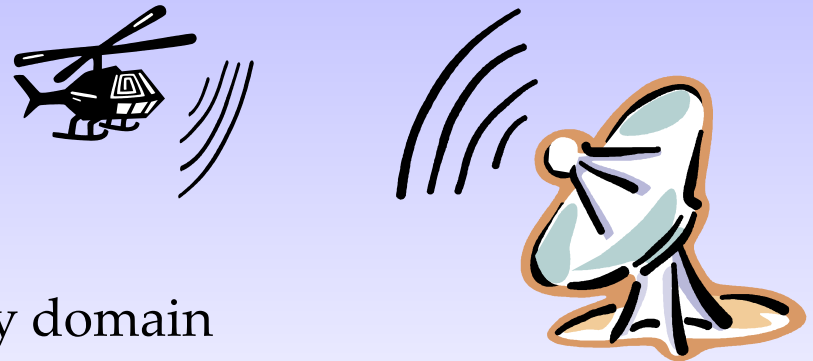
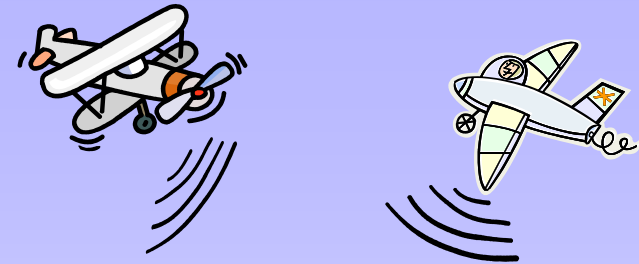


- Requires high sampling rates and large data processing rates
- One image trace requires 128 samplers @ 20M, beamforming to 150 points, a total of  $6.3 \times 10^6$  sums/frame

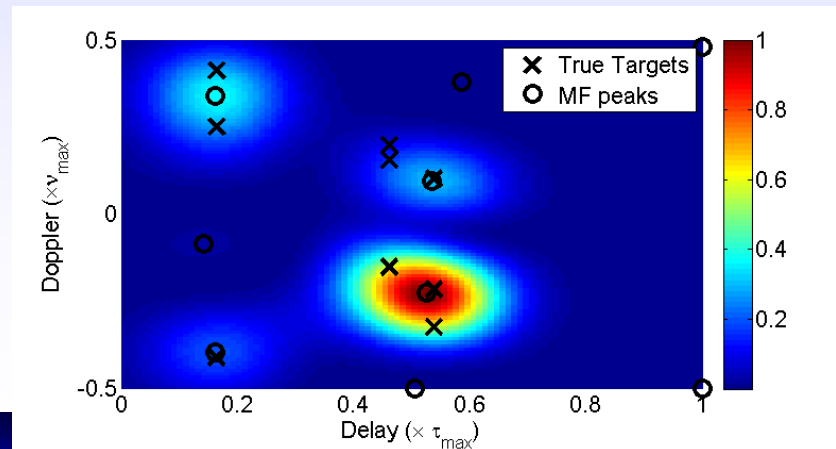
**Compressed Beamforming**

# Resolution (1): Radar

- Principle:
  - A known pulse is transmitted
  - Reflections from targets are received
  - Target's ranges and velocities are identified
- Challenge:
  - All processing is done digitally
  - Targets can lie on an arbitrary grid
  - Process of digitizing
    - loss of resolution in range-velocity domain



## ■ Subspace methods:

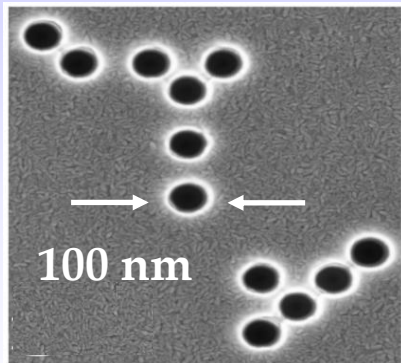


# Resolution: Subwavelength Imaging

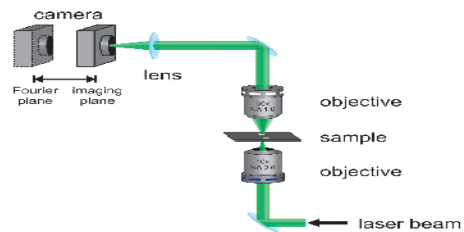
*(Collaboration with the groups of Segev and Cohen)*

Diffraction limit: Even a perfect optical imaging system has a resolution limit determined by the wavelength  $\lambda$

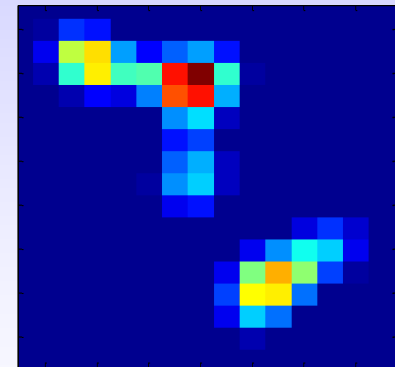
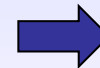
- The smallest observable detail is larger than  $\sim \lambda/2$
- This results in image smearing
- Equivalent to viewing the image through a LPF



Nano-holes  
as seen in  
electronic microscope



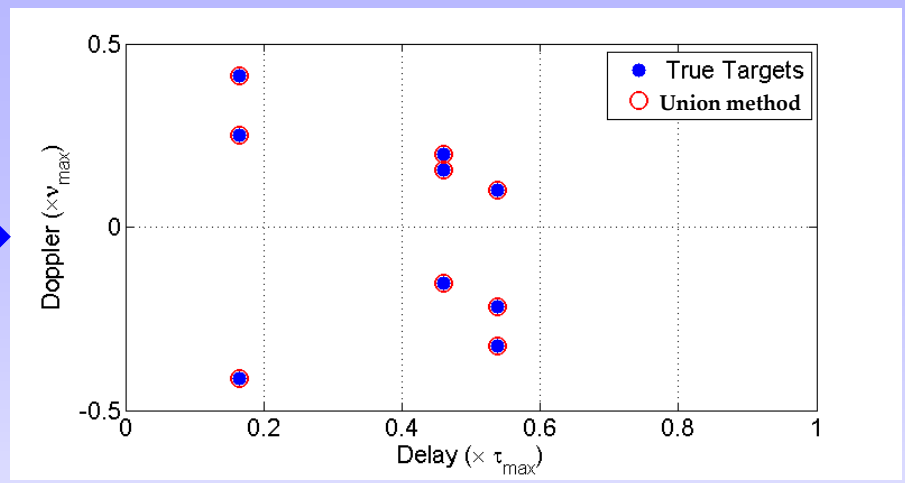
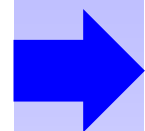
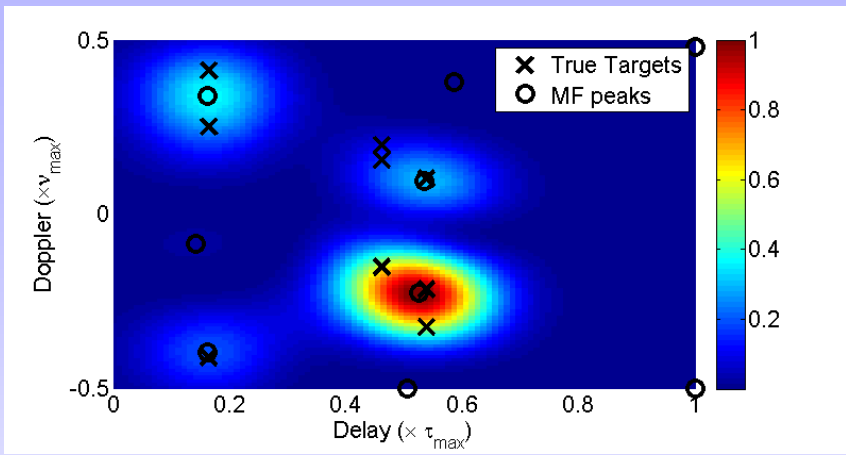
Sketch of an optical microscope:  
the physics of EM waves acts  
as an ideal low-pass filter



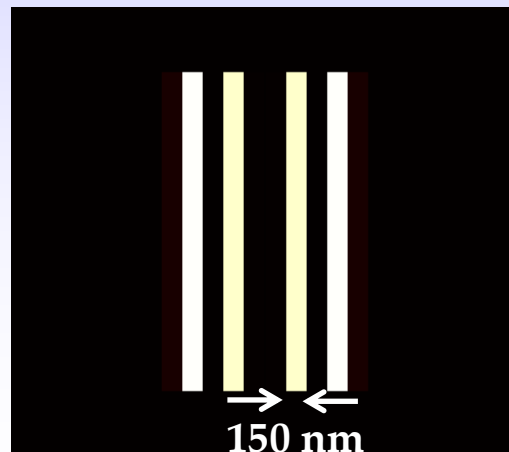
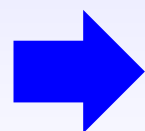
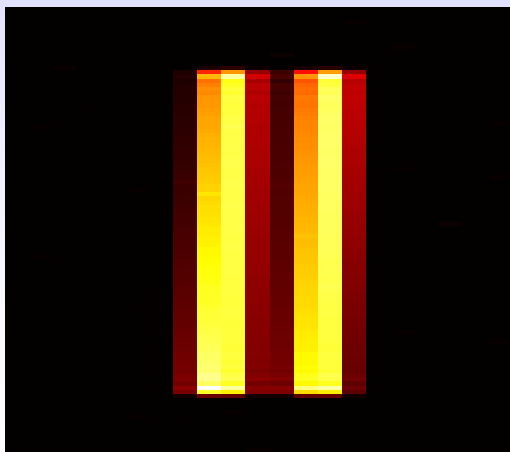
Blurred image  
seen in  
optical microscope

# Imaging via Union Modeling

## ■ Radar:



## ■ Subwavelength:

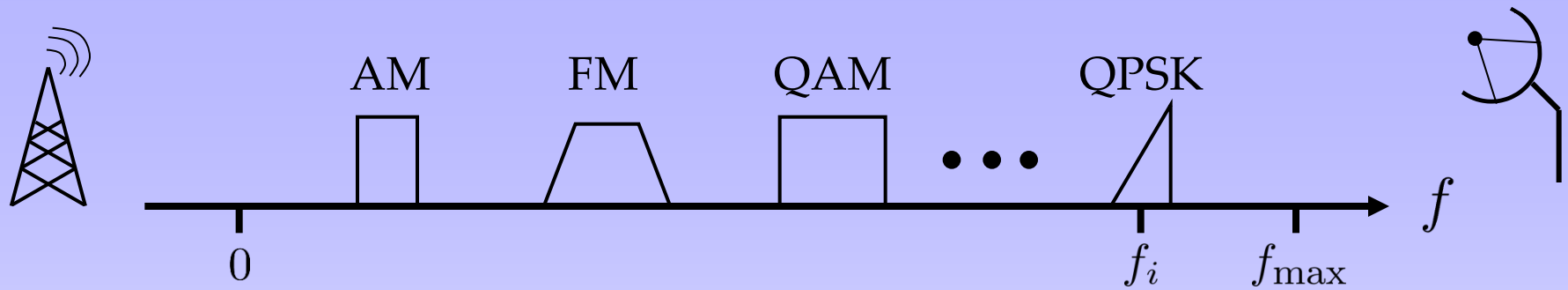


*Bajwa et al., '11*

*Gazit et al., '11*



# Wideband Communication



## ■ Subspace methods:

- RF demodulation
- Undersampling
- and more...

}  $f_i$  are known

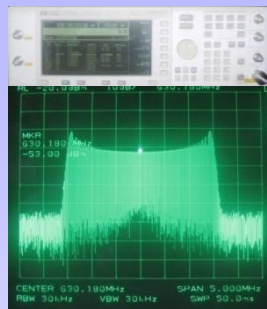
- Unknown  $f_i$ , e.g. cognitive radio. Should we sample at  $2f_{\max}$ ?

## ■ Union modeling:

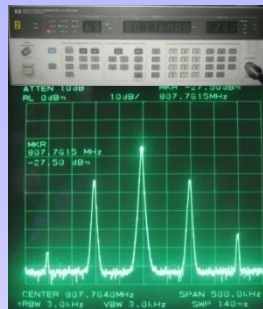
- Can sample at the actual information bandwidth, even though  $f_i$  are unknown
- Can process at low rate (no need to reconstruct Nyquist-rate samples)

# Sub-Nyquist Demonstration

Carrier frequencies are chosen to create overlaid aliasing at baseband



FM @ 631.2 MHz



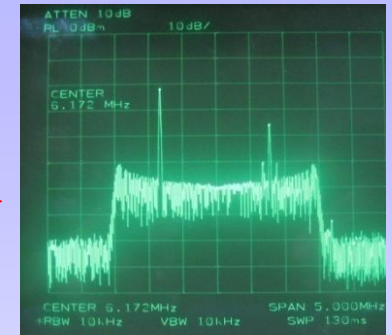
AM @ 807.8 MHz



Sine @ 981.9 MHz

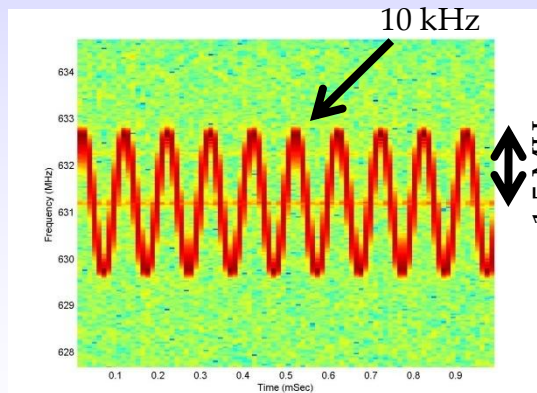


MWC prototype

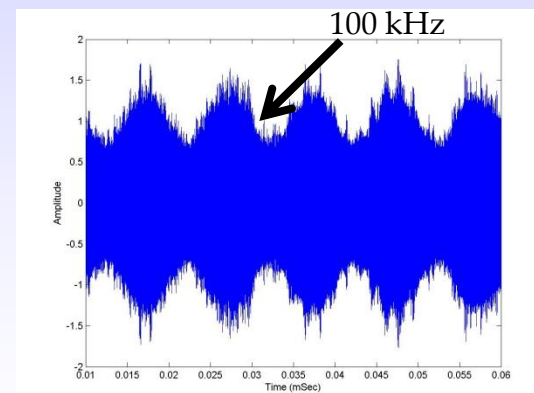


aliasing around 6.171 MHz

Reconstruction  
(CTF)

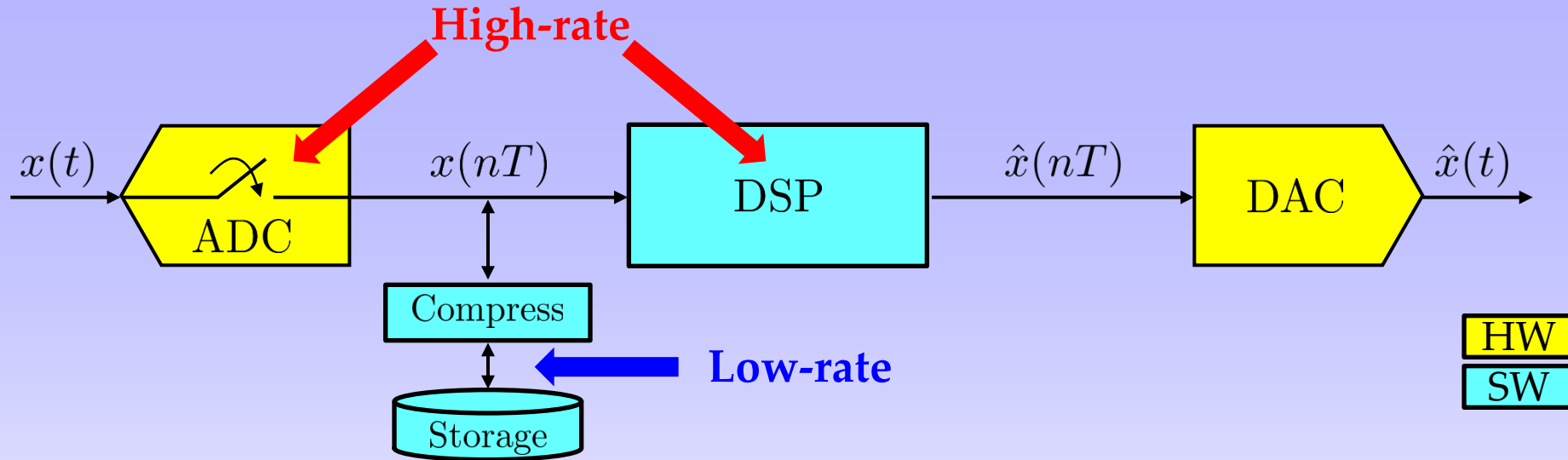


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# Xampling



- Main idea:
  - Move compression before ADC
  - Use nonlinear algorithms to interface with standard DSP and signal reconstruction

# Xampling



**New hardware designs**

**New digital algorithms**

HW

SW

- Main idea:
  - Move compression before ADC
  - Use nonlinear algorithms to interface with standard DSP and signal reconstruction
- Follow a set of design principles → step from theory to hardware

# From Theory to Hardware



- 2.4 GHz Nyquist-rate, 120 MHz occupancy
- 280 MHz sampling rate
- 49 dB dynamic range
- SNDR > 30 dB over input range

*Mishali et al., 10*

RICE 1-pixel camera

DARPA A2I Project

- See many more contributors in [compressive sensing hardware](#)
- Tutorial briefly covers circuit challenges in sub-Nyquist systems

**Sub-Nyquist technology becomes feasible !**

**Can gain significant advantages in practical applications**

# Tutorial Goal

- Instead of a single subspace modeling use **union of subspaces** framework
- Adopt a new design methodology – **Xampling**
  - Compression+Sampling = Xampling
  - X prefix for compression, e.g. DivX
- Result: Simple hardware and low computational cost on the DSP

**Theory, Algorithms, Hardware**

What's next:

- Part 2: Sub-Nyquist in a subspace
- Parts 3-5: Sub-Nyquist in union models

– Part 2 –  
**Sub-Nyquist in a Subspace**

→ Outline

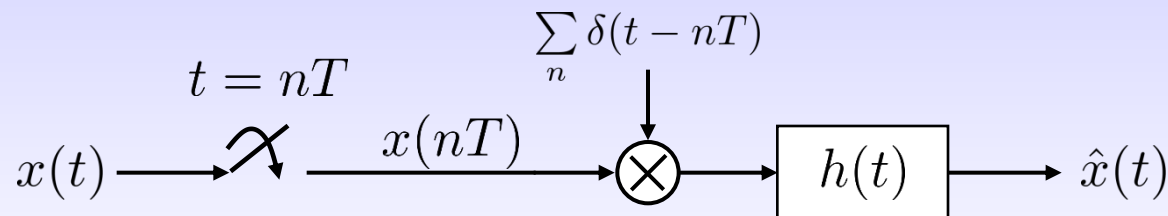
# Shannon-Nyquist Sampling

## Theorem [Bandlimited Sampling]

If a function  $x(t)$  contains no frequencies higher than  $W$  cycles-per-second, it is completely determined by giving its ordinates at a series of points spaced  $1/2W$  seconds apart

$$x(t) = \sum_n x\left(\frac{n}{2W}\right) \text{sinc}(2Wt - n), \quad \text{sinc}(\alpha) = \frac{\sin(\pi\alpha)}{\pi\alpha}$$

Shannon, '49



- **Model:**  $W$ -Bandlimited signals
- **Sampling:** Pointwise at rate  $1/T \geq 2W$
- **Reconstruction:** Interpolation by  $h(t) = \text{sinc}(2Wt)$



# Avoiding High-Rate ADC

- Use several samplers:
  - Papoulis' theorem
  - Time-interleaved ADC (special case)

} Overall rate = Nyquist

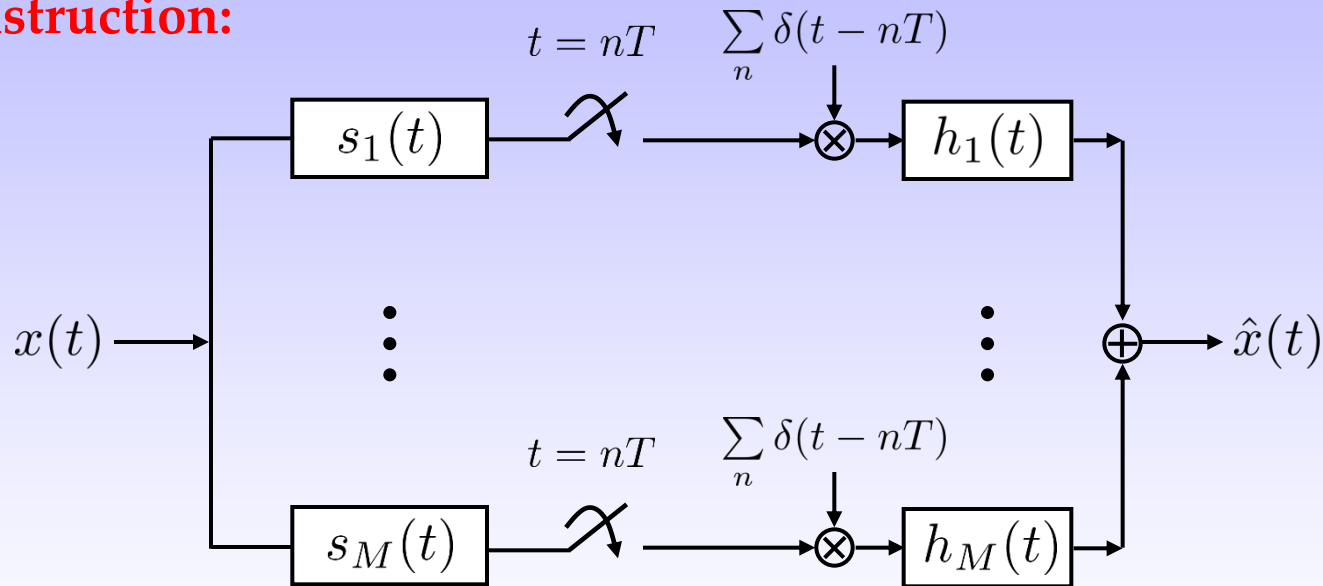
- Exploit signal structure (subspace):
  - Pulse streams
  - Multiband sampling

} Can approach information rate

# Papoulis' Theorem

- **Model:**  $W$ -bandlimited (same)
- **Sampling:**  $M$  branches sampled at  $1/M$  the Nyquist rate,  $\frac{1}{T} \geq \frac{2W}{M}$   
Flexible constraints on  $s_i(t), h_j(t)$

- **Reconstruction:**

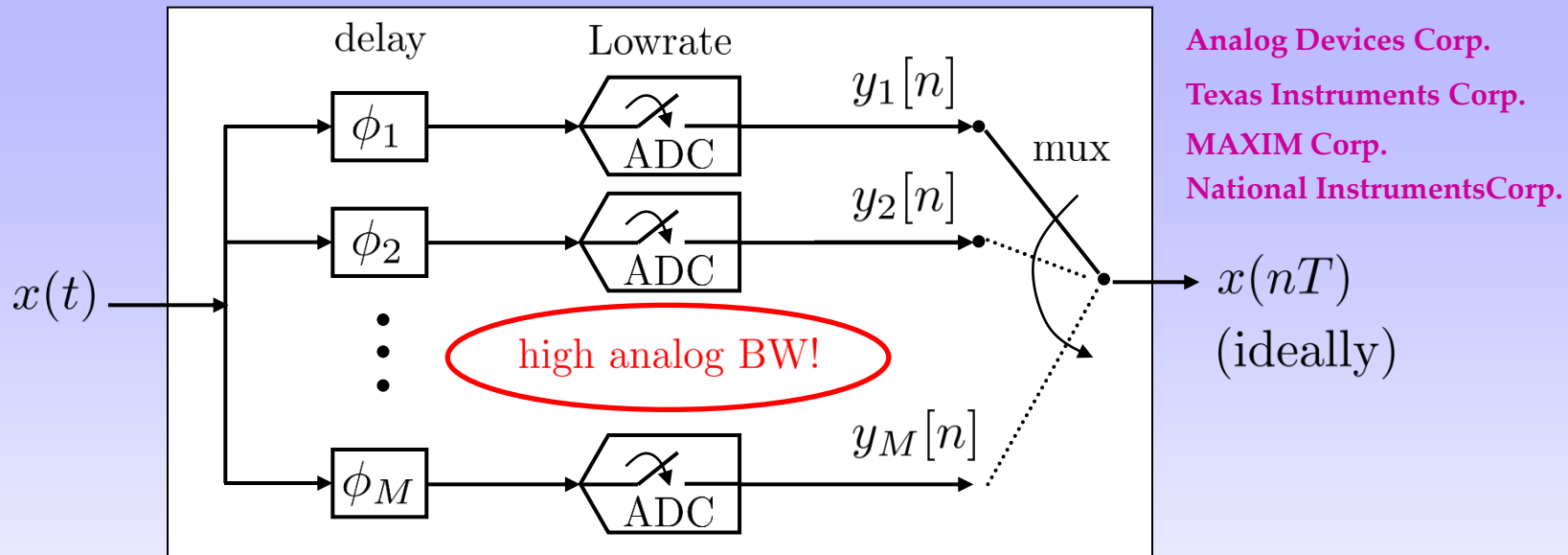


Papoulis, '77

- Overall rate is  $2W$  (same)

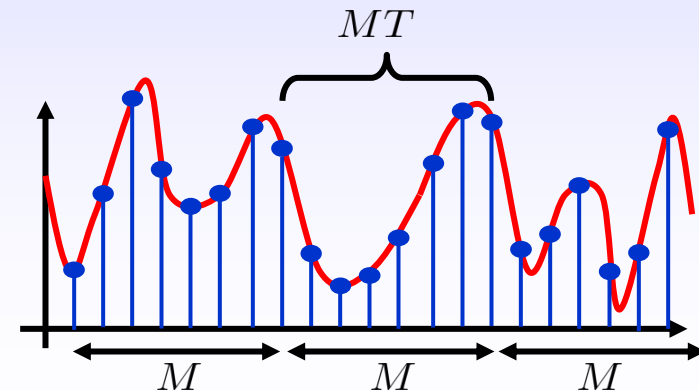
# Time-Interleaved ADCs

A high-rate ADC comprised of a bank of lowrate devices



- Each branch (coset) undersamples at  $1/M$  of the Nyquist-rate
- Widely-researched


Yen, '56  
 Eldar and Oppenheim, '00  
 Johansson and Lowenborg, '02  
 Levy and Hurst, '04  
 ...and more



# Practical ADC Devices

Analog bandwidth limitation  $b$

Sampling rate  $r$



**8-Bit 40 MSPS/60 MSPS/80 MSPS  
A/D Converter**

AD9057

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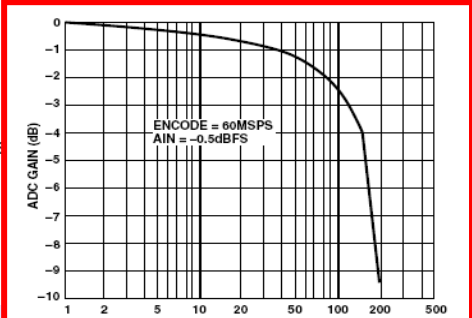
**FEATURES**

- 8-Bit Low Power ADC, 200 mW Typical
- 120 MHz Analog Bandwidth**
- On-Chip 2.5 V Reference and Track-and-Hold
- 1 V p-p Analog Input Range
- Single 5 V Supply Operation
- 5 V or 3 V Logic Interface
- Power-Down Mode: <10 mW
- 3 Performance Grades (40 MSPS, 60 MSPS, 80 MSPS)

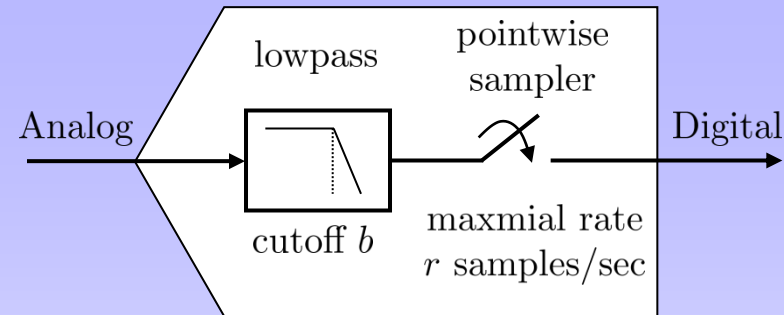
**APPLICATIONS**

- Digital Communications (QAM Demodulators)
- RGB and YC/Composite Video Processing
- Digital Data Storage Read Channels
- Medical Imaging
- Digital Instrumentation

FUNCTIONAL BLOCK DIAGRAM



TPC 12. ADC Frequency Response



In time-interleaved architectures:

- The overall rate is Nyquist
- Each branch needs front-end with Nyquist bandwidth  
(**will be important later**)
- Accurate time delay are required  $\phi_i$

Black and Hodges, '80  
 Jenq, '90  
 Elbornsson *et al.*, '05  
 Divi and Wornell, '09  
 Murmann *et al.*, '09  
 Goodman *et al.*, '09  
 ...and more

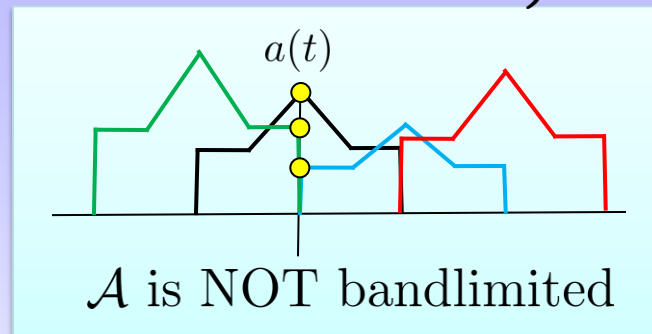
# Generalized Sampling in a Subspace

- **Model:** Shift-invariant (SI) subspace of possible inputs

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ x(t) = \sum_n d[n] a(t - nT), \quad d[n] \in \ell_2(\mathbb{R}) \right\}$$

$$a_n(t) = \text{sinc}(2Wt - n)$$

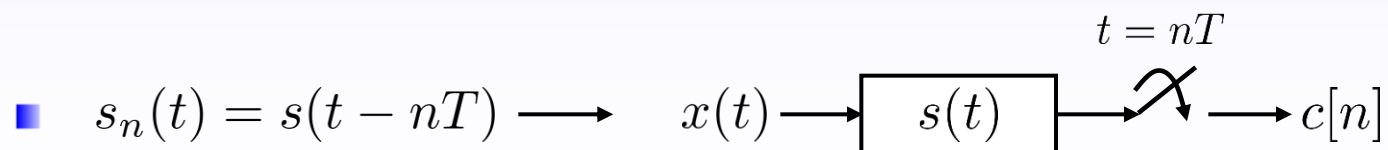
$$\mathcal{A} = W\text{-bandlimited}$$



- Practical! e.g., splines, pulse amplitude modulation (PAM), and more...

- **Sampling:** Inner products,  $c[n] = \langle x(t), s_n(t) \rangle$

- $s_n(t) = \delta(t - nT) \longrightarrow$  pointwise sampling  $c[n] = x(nT)$



# Reconstruction from Generalized Samples

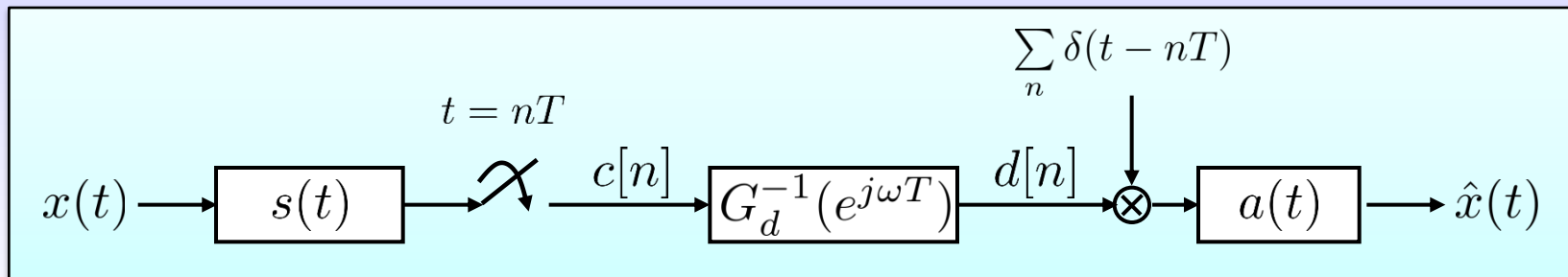
- Shift-invariant case

- Model:**  $x(t) = \sum_n d[n]a(t - nT) \Rightarrow X(\omega) = D(e^{j\omega T})A(\omega)$

- Sampling:**  $c[n] = \langle x(t), s(t - nT) \rangle$

$$c(e^{j\omega T}) = \sum_k X(\omega + 2\pi k)S^*(\omega + 2\pi k) = D(e^{j\omega T})G_d(e^{j\omega T})$$

- Recovery:** Filter by  $G_d^{-1}(e^{j\omega T})$  to obtain  $d[n]$ , then interpolate  $\hat{x}(t)$



- Sampling rate is  $\frac{1}{T}$  rather than the Nyquist rate of  $x(t)$

- Approach does not depend on  $f_{\max}$

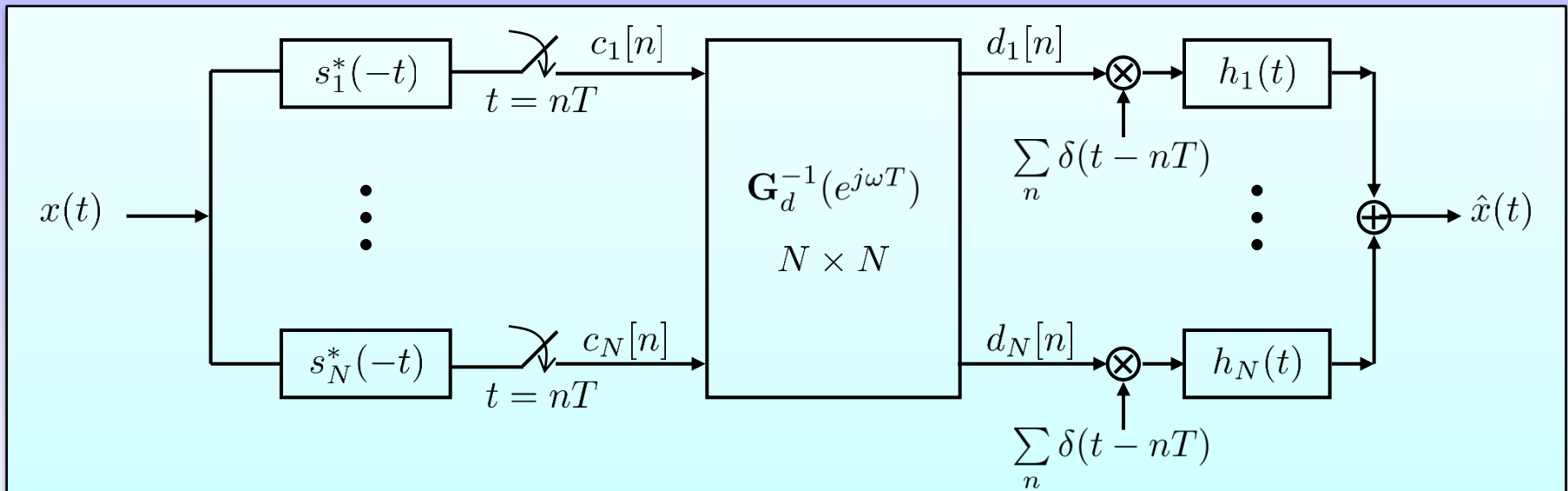
Aldroubi and Unser, '94  
Christensen and Eldar, '05

# Multiple Shift-Invariant Generators

■ **Model:**

$$x(t) = \sum_{l=1}^N \sum_n d_l[n] a_l(t - nT)$$

■ **Sampling / Reconstruction:**

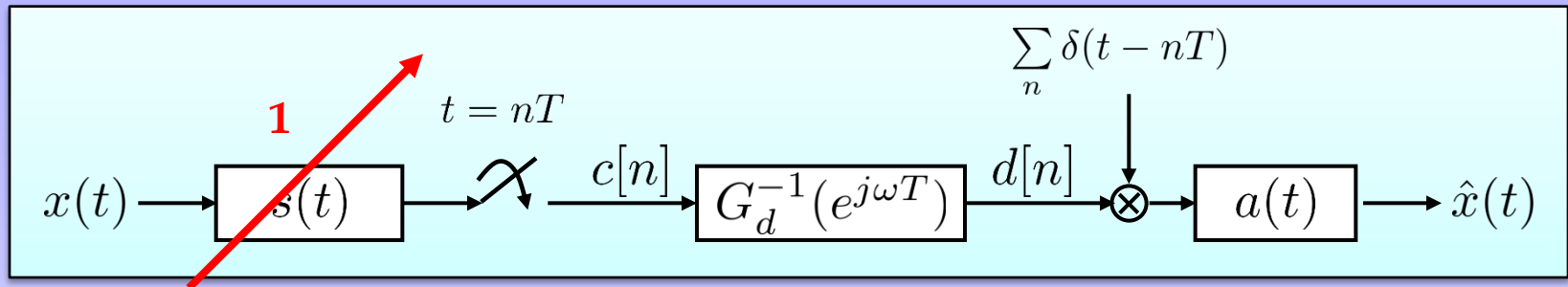


$$[\mathbf{G}_d(e^{j\omega T})]_{il} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} S_i^* \left( \frac{\omega}{T} - \frac{2\pi}{T} k \right) H_l^* \left( \frac{\omega}{T} - \frac{2\pi}{T} k \right)$$

■ Sampling rate is  $\frac{N}{T} \rightarrow$  independent of  $f_{\max}$

de Boor, DeVore and Ron, '94  
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# Toy-Example (1)

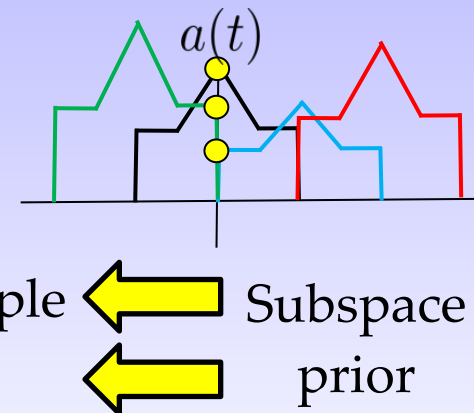


- **Model:**  $x(t) = \sum d[n]a(t - nT)$

- **Sampling:** choose  $s(t) = \delta(t)$

3 adjacent shifts contributes to each sample

- **Recovery:** exploit known shape  $a(t)$



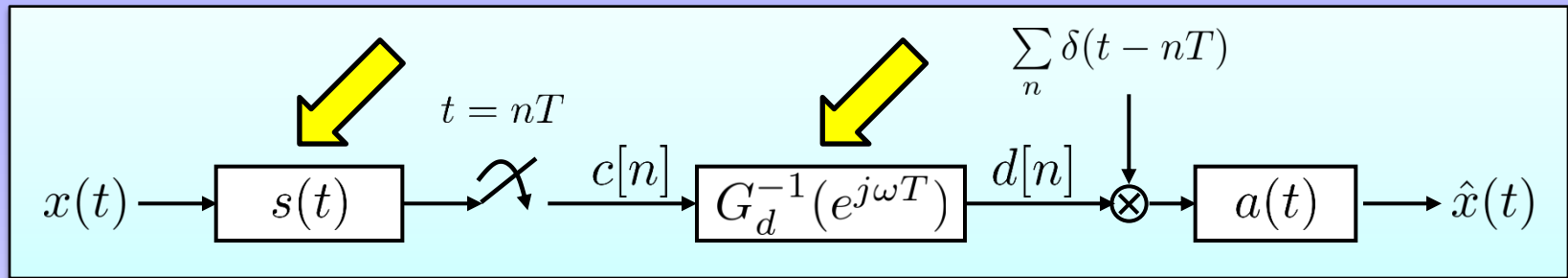
$$G_d^{-1}(e^{j\omega T}) = \frac{1}{\sum_k A(\omega - 2\pi k/T)}$$

- **Rate:**  $\frac{1}{T}$

- $f_{\max}$  can be very high, since  $x(t)$  is not bandlimited

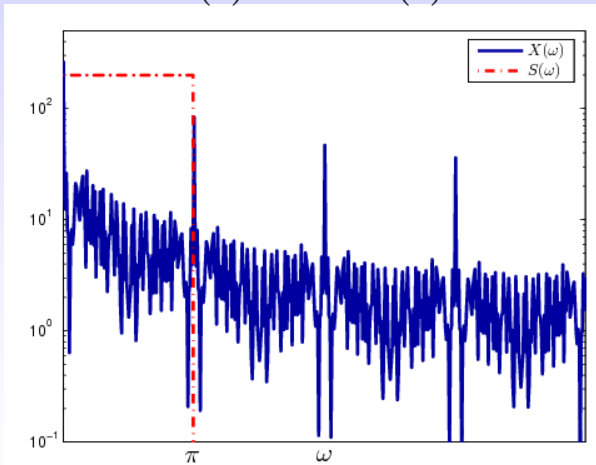


# Toy-Example (2)



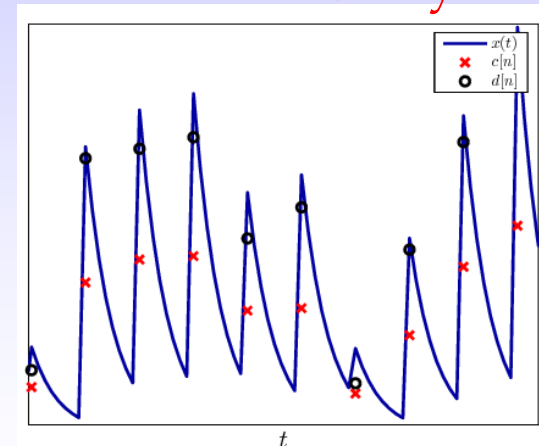
■ **Model:**  $a(t) = \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau} u(t)$

$s(t) = \text{sinc}(t)$



**Rate:**  $\frac{1}{T}$   
 $f_{\max}$  is high...

Perfect recovery !

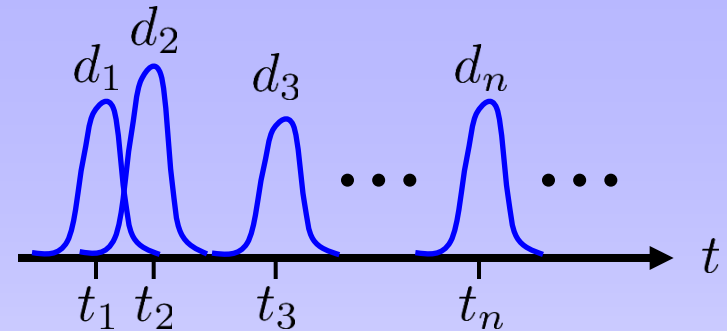


**Lowpass data can contain all relevant information !**

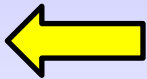
# Pulse-streams (known locations)

- **Model:** fixed delays  $t_n$ , unknown  $d_n$

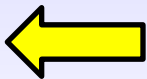
$$x(t) = \sum_n d_n h(t - t_n)$$



- **Sampling:** design  $s_n(t) = h(t - t_n)$  and sample  $c[n] = \langle x(t), s_n(t) \rangle$   
 $t_n$  and  $h(t)$  are known



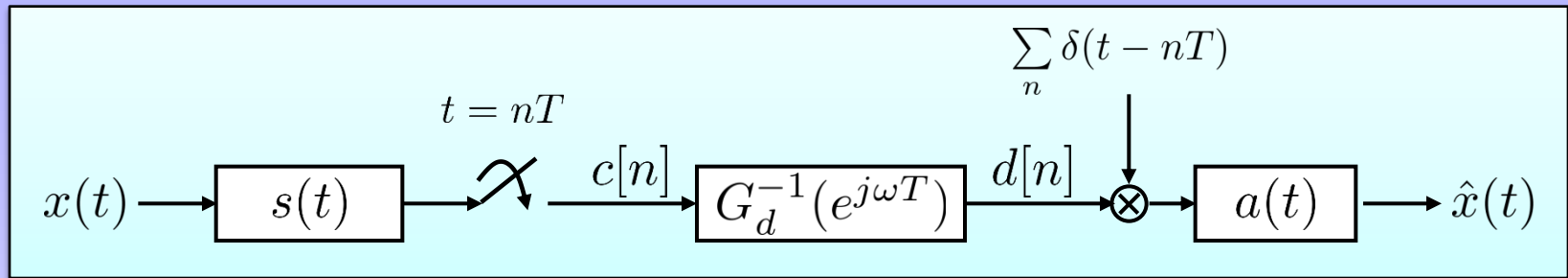
- **Recovery:**  $\{d_n\}, \{c[n]\}$  satisfy a linear system, with coefficients depending on  $t_n$  and  $h(t)$



$$c[n] = d_n \|h(t)\|^2 \quad (\text{for the easiest case with no overlaps})$$

- **Rate:** information rate = #pulses/second
- $f_{\max}$  is high, since  $x(t)$  is not bandlimited

# Generalized Sampling in Practice



So far:

- Toy-examples: perfect recovery of nonbandlimited inputs ! ( $\mathcal{A} = \text{SI}$ )
- Pulse streams,  $\mathcal{A} =$  known pulse shape and fixed delays

————— A common denominator —————

**Design assumption**

$f_{\max}$ -bandlimited

exact knowledge  $x(t) \in \mathcal{A}$

**Sampling & processing rates**

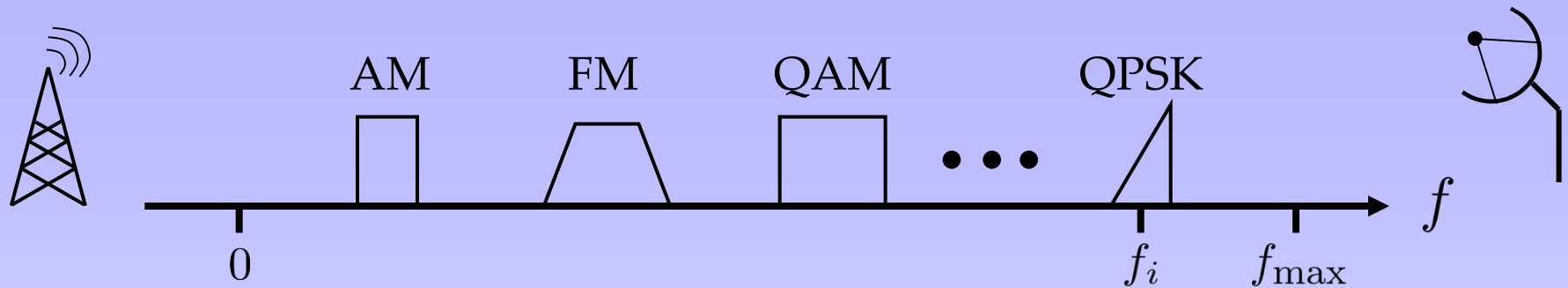
High

Approach minimal



- **Next slides:** Multiband signals,  $\mathcal{A} =$  known carrier frequencies

# Multiband (known carriers)



- **Model:** narrowband transmissions in wideband range, modulated on carrier frequencies  $f_i \leq f_{\max}$

- **Sampling:**

- RF demodulation
- Undersampling
- Nonuniform strategies

} Utilize knowledge  $x(t) \in \mathcal{A}$  ←

- Sampling and processing at rate  $f_{\max}$  are often impractical

# Landau's Theorem

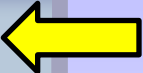
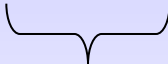
- States the minimal sampling rate for any (pointwise) sampling strategy that utilizes frequency support knowledge

## Theorem (known spectral support)

Let  $R$  be a sampling set for  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{F}} = \{x(t) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \mid \text{supp } X(f) \subseteq \mathcal{F}\}$ .  
Then,

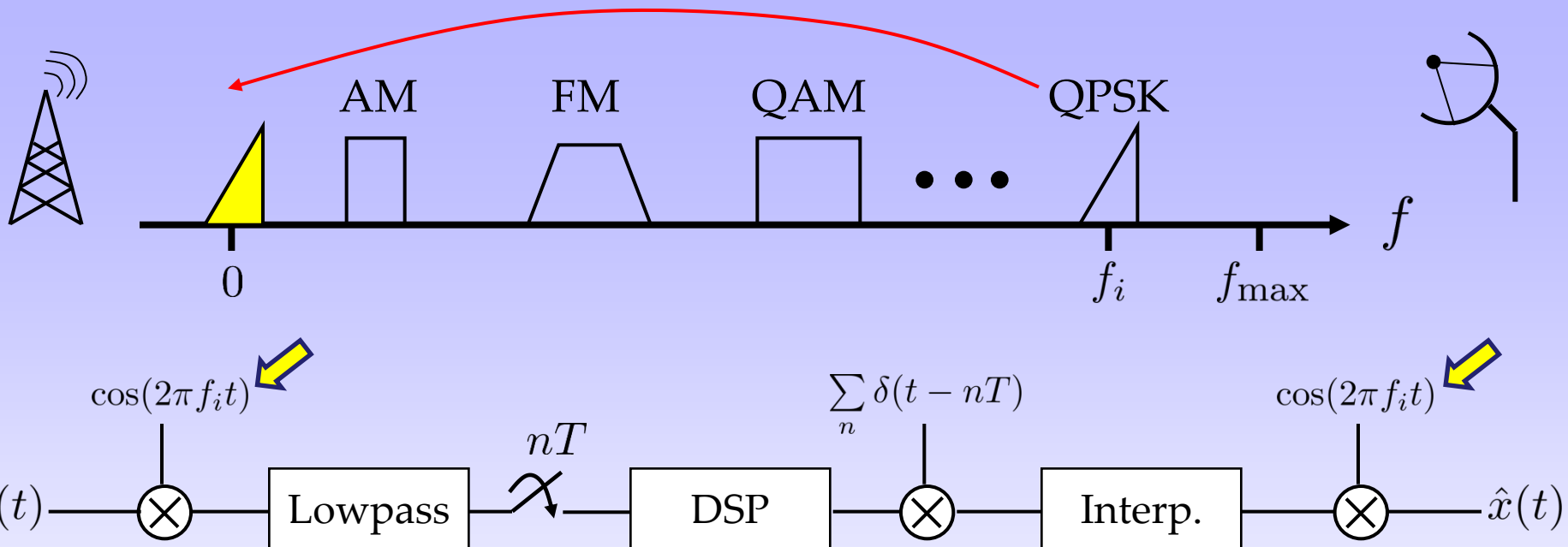
$$D^-(R) \geq \text{meas}(\mathcal{F})$$

Landau, '67

  
  
Average sampling rate

- $N$  bands, individual widths  $\leq B$ , requires at least  $NB$  samples/sec
- Note:  $\rightarrow$  bandpass with single-side width  $B$  requires  $2B$  samples/sec  
 $\rightarrow k$  transmissions result in  $N = 2k$  bands (conjugate symmetry)

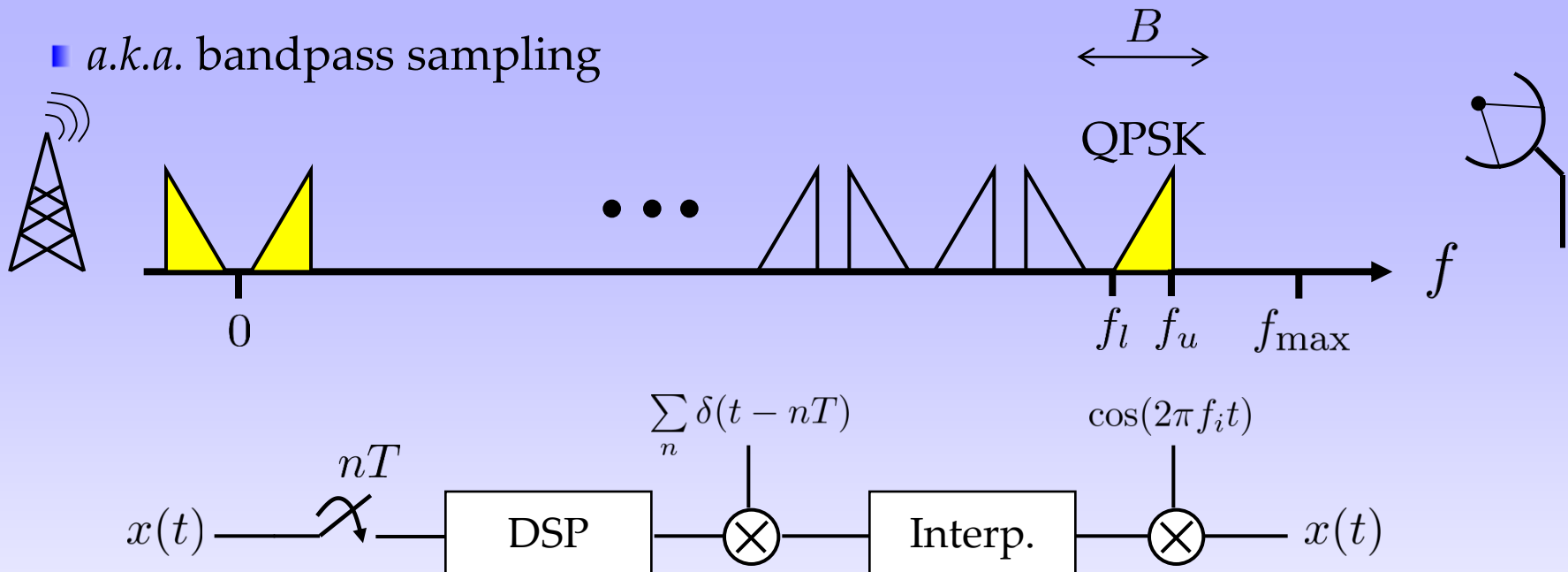
# RF Demodulation



- $f_i$  value is used in sampling and reconstruction
- Analog preprocessing with RF devices (1 branch/transmission)
- **Minimal rate:**  $NB$
- Zero-IF, low-IF topologies

Crols and Steyaert, '98

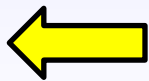
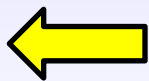
# Undersampling



■ **Sampling:** Select rate to satisfy "alias free condition"

■ **Reconstruction:** Same as in RF demodulation

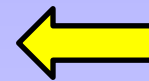
■ No analog preprocessing



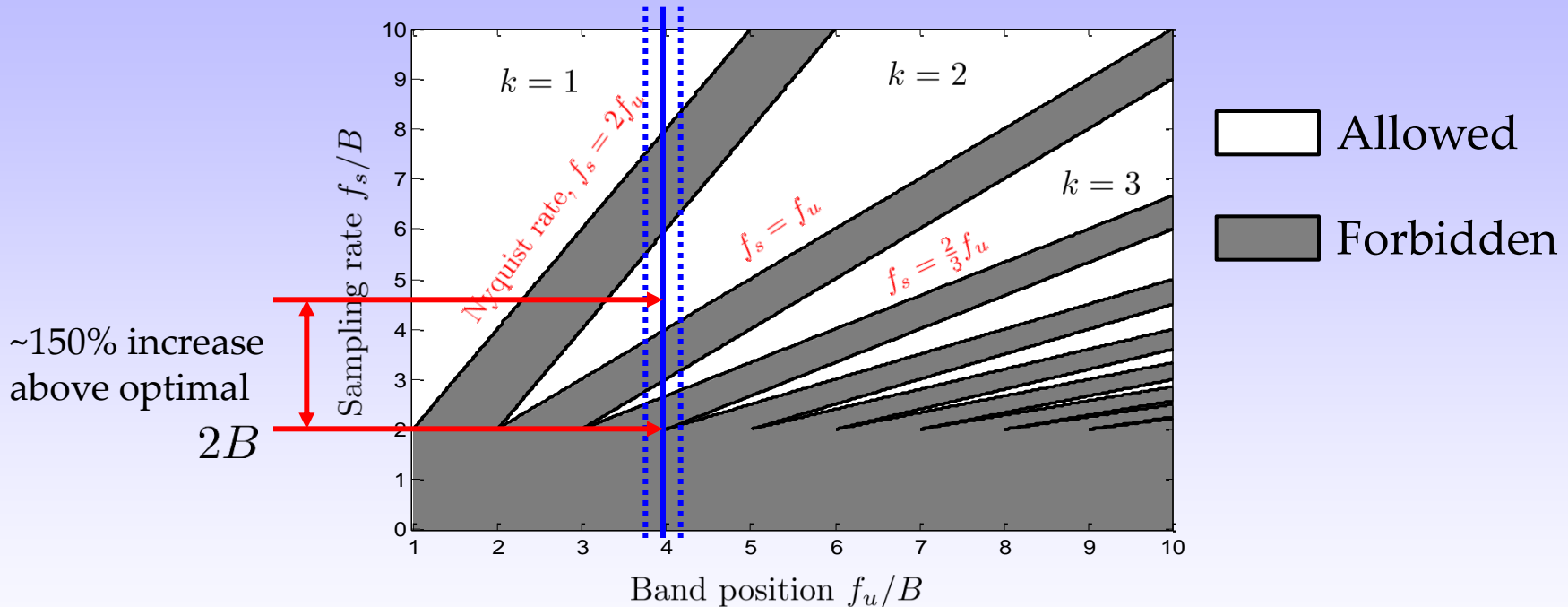
# Allowed Undersampling Rates

- Sampling rate must be chosen in accordance to band location:

$$\frac{2f_u}{k} \leq f_s \leq \frac{2f_l}{k-1}$$



Vaughan et al., '91



- Robustness to model mismatch requires significant rate increase
- Multiband alias-free conditions are complicated and generally do not result in significant rate reduction

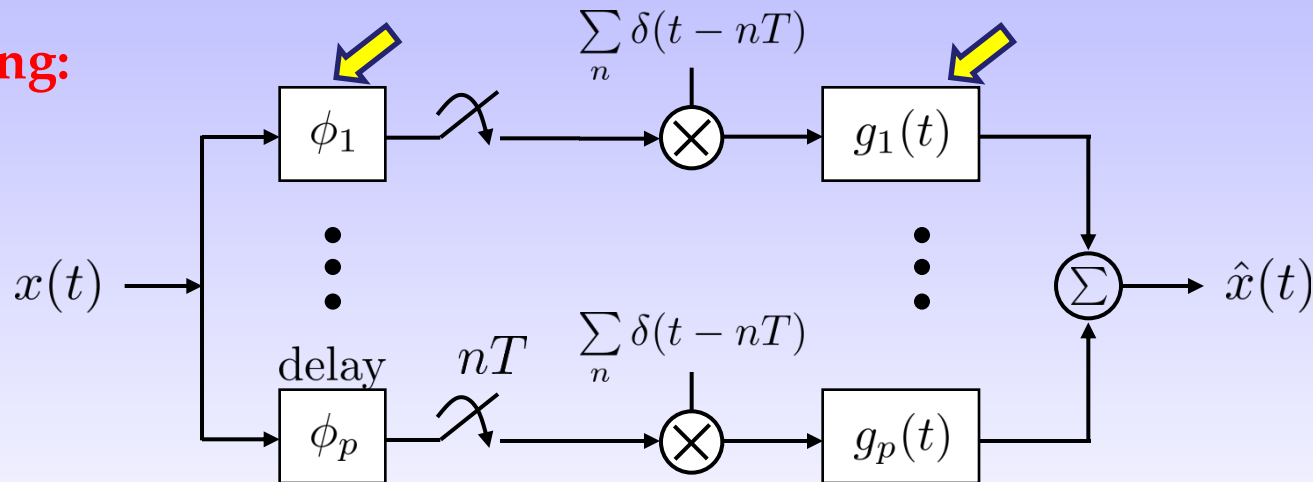


# Periodic Nonuniform Sampling

- Advantages:

- No analog preprocessing
- No "alias-free" conditions, work for multiband
- Approach minimal rate  $NB$

- Sampling:



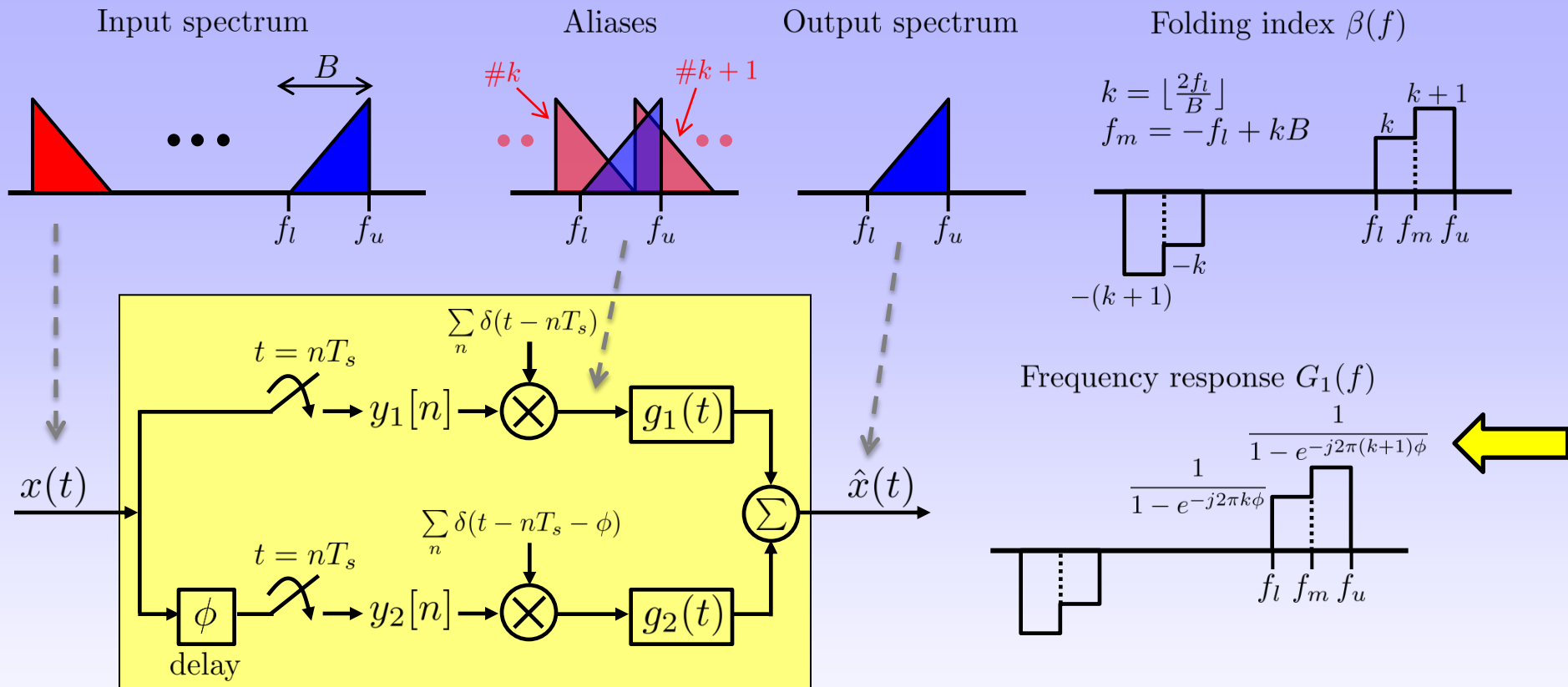
- In general, a  $p$ 'th-order PNS can resolve up to  $p$  aliases:

- Bandpass sampling at average rate  $2B$
- Multiband sampling at rate approaching minimal

Kohlenberg, '53

Lin and Vaidyanathan, '98

# Reconstruction from 2<sup>nd</sup> order PNS



■ Delays result in different linear combinations of the bands

$$T_s Y_1(f) = X(f) + X(f - \beta(f)B)$$

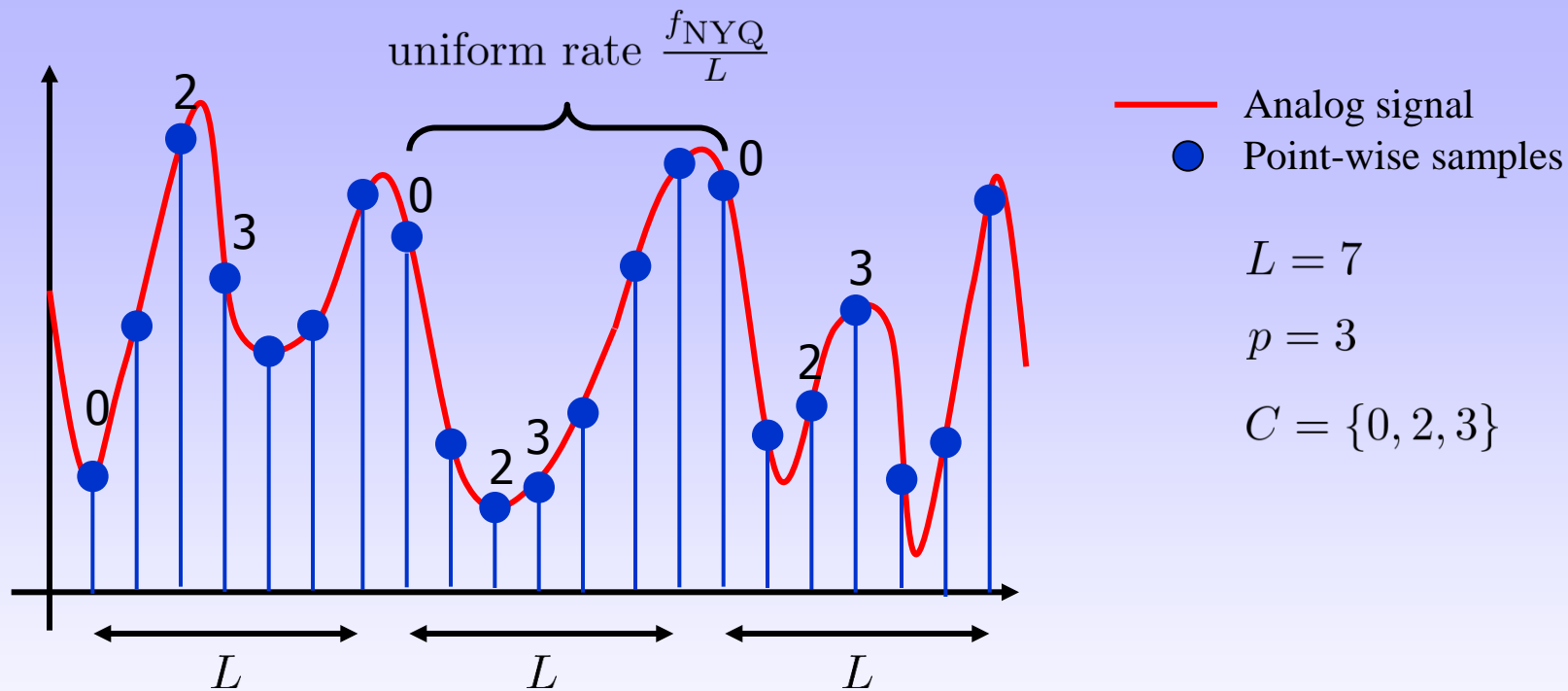
$$T_s Y_2(f) = X(f) + X(f - \beta(f)B)e^{-j2\pi\beta(f)\phi B}$$

Choose  $\phi$  such that  $e^{-j2\pi\beta(f)\phi B} \neq 1$



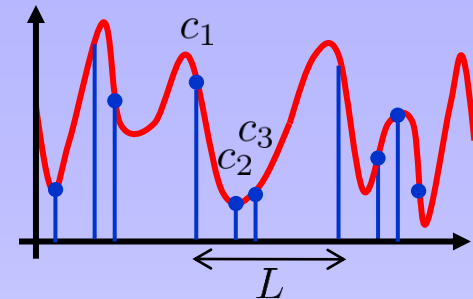
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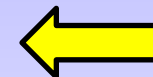
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- Semi-blind approaches:

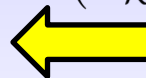
- Choose  $\{\phi_i\}$  universally (or at random)
- Design reconstruction filters  $g_1(t), \dots, g_p(t)$



Herley et al., '99  
Bresler et al., '00

- "Blind" recovery:

$$\min_{|\mathcal{K}|=q} \text{trace}(P_{\mathcal{K}}\mathbf{R}) \quad \mathbf{R} = \text{measurements covariance}$$



Bresler et al., '96,'98

- Positions are implicitly assumed:

- $q = q(x(t))$  depends on band positions
- Recovery fails if incorrect value is used for  $q$
- Result requires random signal model, and holds *almost surely*

**Completely blind = Unknown carriers = not a subspace model !**

# Short Summary

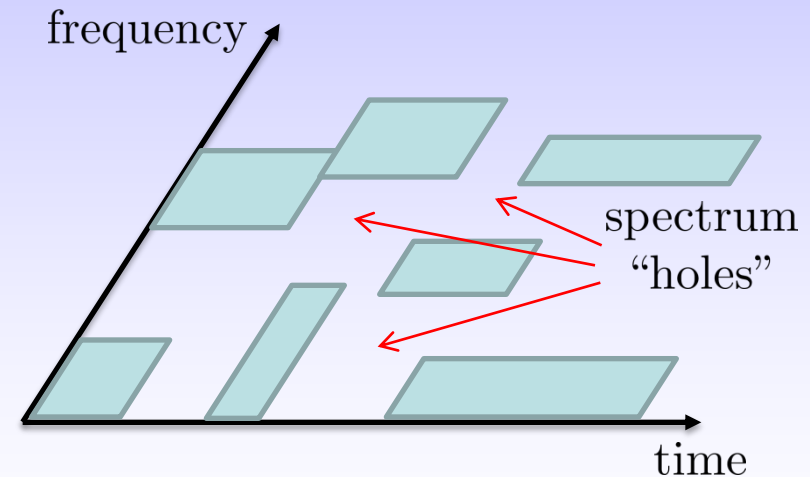
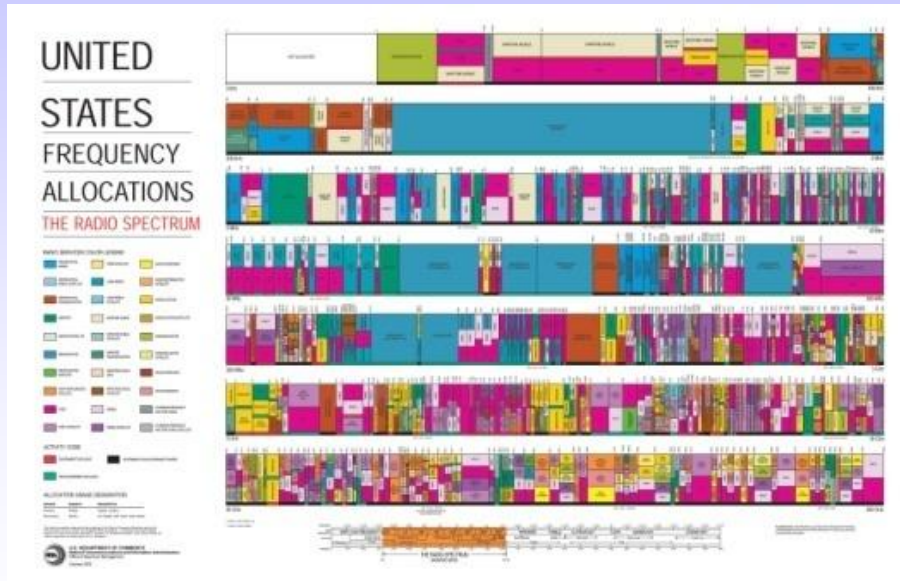
- Subspace models
  - Linear, easy to treat mathematically
  - Not necessarily bandlimited
- Generalized sampling theory
  - Treat arbitrary subspace models
  - Many classic approaches can be derived from theory
  - Rate is proportional to actual information rate rather than Nyquist

————— But, what if... —————

- the input model is not linear ?  
(for example, when carrier frequencies or times of arrivals are unknown)
- Answer: the rest of this tutorial

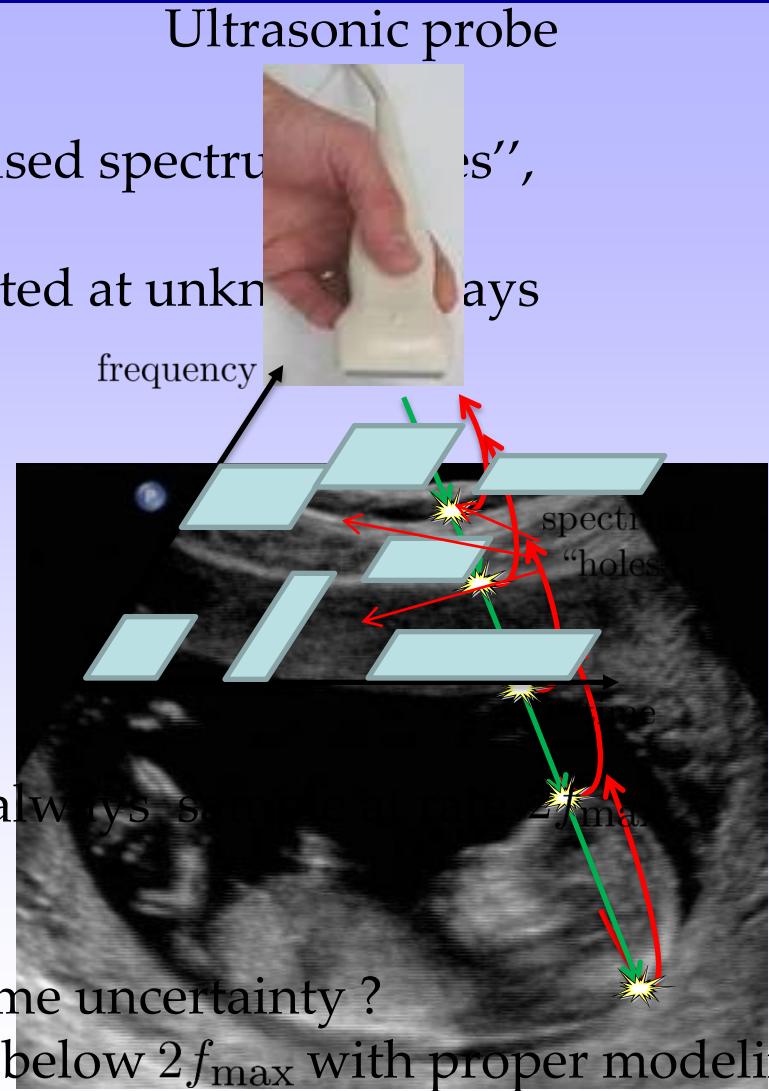
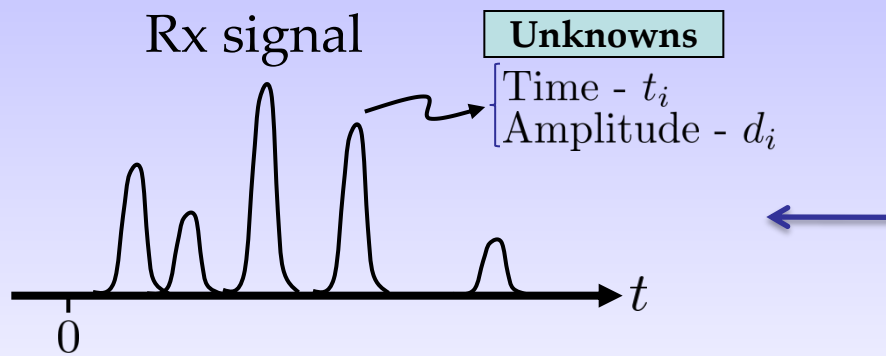
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- Encountered in practical applications:
  - Cognitive radio mobiles utilize unused spectrum “holes”, spectral map is unknown a-priori
  - Ultrasound, reflections are intercepted at unknown ways



- Do not fit subspace modeling ... we can always sample at  $2f_{\max}$
- Questions:
  - Better modeling? Subspace up to some uncertainty?
  - Can we sample and process at rates below  $2f_{\max}$  with proper modeling?

– Part 3 –  
**Union of Subspaces**

→ Outline



# Model

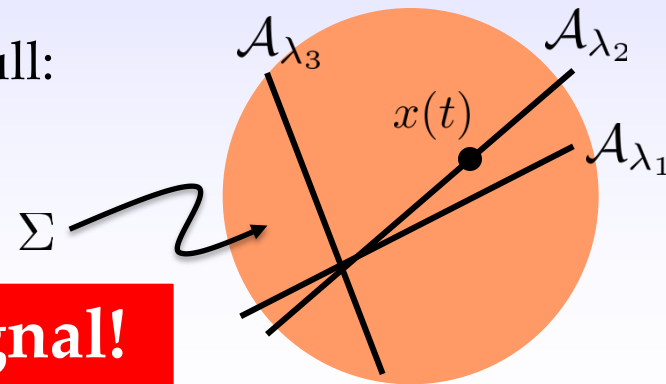
- Signal belongs to one out of (possibly infinitely-)many subspaces

$$x(t) \in \mathcal{U} \quad \mathcal{U} = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{A}_\lambda$$

Lu and Do, '08  
Eldar and Mishali, '09

- Each  $\lambda$  corresponds to a different subspace  $\mathcal{A}_\lambda$
- $x(t)$  belongs to  $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda^*}$ , for some  $\lambda^* \in \Lambda \rightarrow$  But,  $\lambda^*$  is unknown a-priori
- $\mathcal{U}$  is a nonlinear model:  $x, y \in \mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{\text{typically}} x + y \notin \mathcal{U}$
- A union is generally a true subset of its affine hull:

$$\mathcal{U} \subsetneq \Sigma = \{x + y \mid x, y \in \mathcal{U}\}$$



**The union tells us more about the signal!**

# Union Types

- 4 types:

		Number of subspaces	
		$ \Lambda  = \infty$	$ \Lambda  = \text{finite}$
Individual dimensions	$\dim(\mathcal{A}_\lambda) = \infty$		
	$\dim(\mathcal{A}_\lambda) = \text{finite}$		

- Legend:

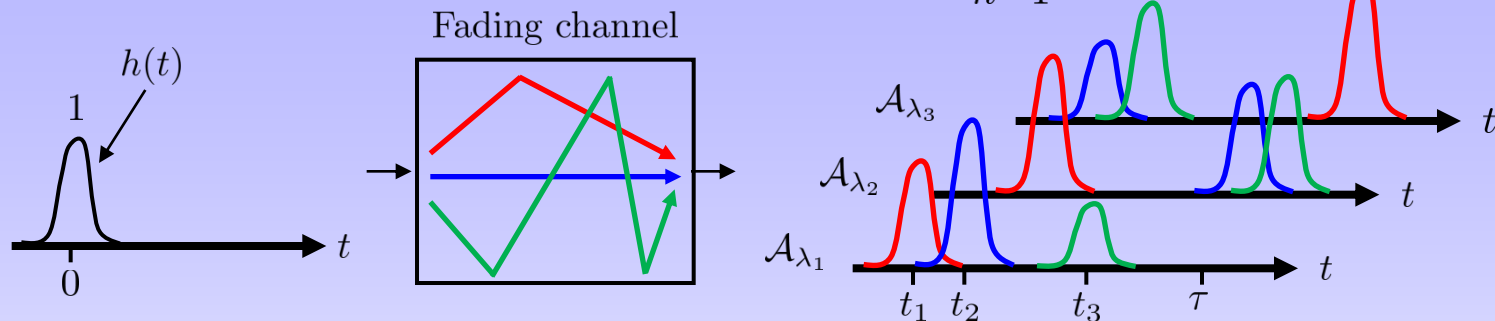
- = General analog union models  
 Infiniteness enters in either  $\dim(\mathcal{A}_\lambda)$  or  $|\Lambda|$
- = Discrete models, *e.g.*, sparse trigonometric polynomials  

$$p(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n e^{jnt}$$
 with only  $k$  nonzero coefficients  
 continuous-time signals with finite parameterization

# Examples: Analog Unions (1)

- Pulses with unknown time delays

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=1}^L d_n h(t - t_n)$$



Union over possible path delays  $t_i \in [0, \tau]$

- Dimensions:

- $t_i \in [0, \tau], \lambda = \{t_i\}$

- $\mathcal{A}_\lambda = [d_1, \dots, d_L]^T \rightarrow \dim(\mathcal{A}_\lambda) = L$

		$ \Lambda $
		$\infty$
$\infty$		finite
finite		

- A special case of a broader model: finite rate of innovation (FRI)

Here, innovation rate =  $2L/\tau$

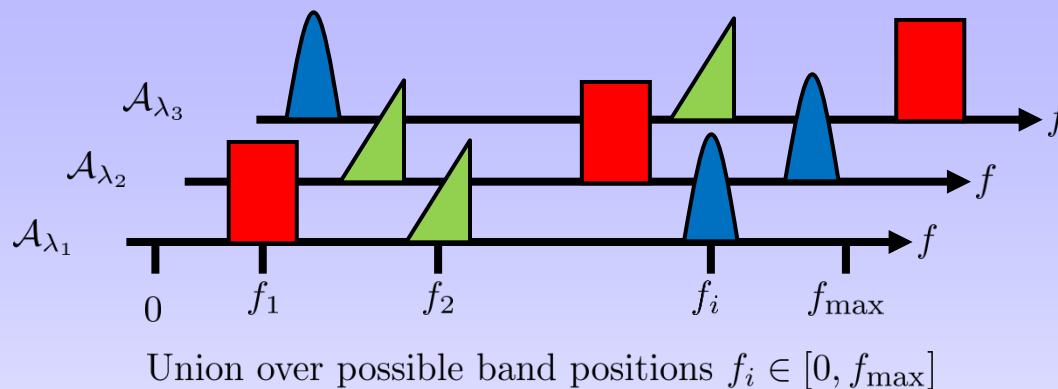
Vetterli *et al.*, '02-'11

- Sequences of innovation model has both dimensions infinite

Gedalyahu and Eldar, '09-'11

# Examples: Analog Unions (2)

- Multiband with unknown carrier frequencies  $\lambda = \{f_i\}$



- Dimensions:

- $f_i \in [0, f_{\max}]$
- $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda}$  is a bandpass signal

	$ \Lambda $	
	$\infty$	finite
$\infty$	■	■
finite	■	■

- Another viewpoint with  $|\Lambda| = \text{finite}$  and  $\dim(\mathcal{A}_{\lambda}) = \infty$  is described later on (efficient hardware and software implementation)

Mishali and Eldar '07-'11

# Examples: Discrete Unions

- Signal model has underlying finite parameterization

		$\Lambda$	
		$\infty$	finite
dim( $\mathcal{A}_\lambda$ )	$\infty$		
	finite		

- Continuous-time examples:

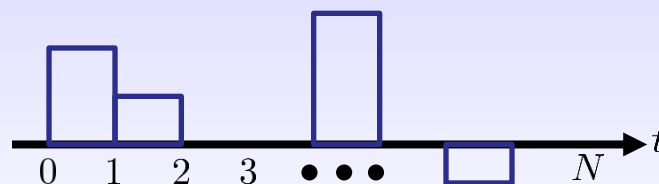
- Sparse trigonometric polynomials

$$p(t) = \sum_{n=1}^N c_n e^{jnt}, \text{ with only } k \text{ nonzero coefficients}$$

Kunis and Rauhut, '08

Tropp *et al.*, '09

- Sparse piece-wise constant with integer knots



- Discrete-time examples:

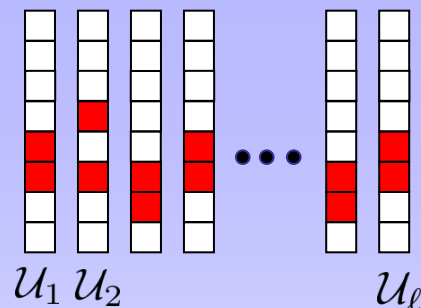
- Compressed sensing
- Block sparsity, tree-sparse models

Donoho, Candès-Romberg-Tao, '06

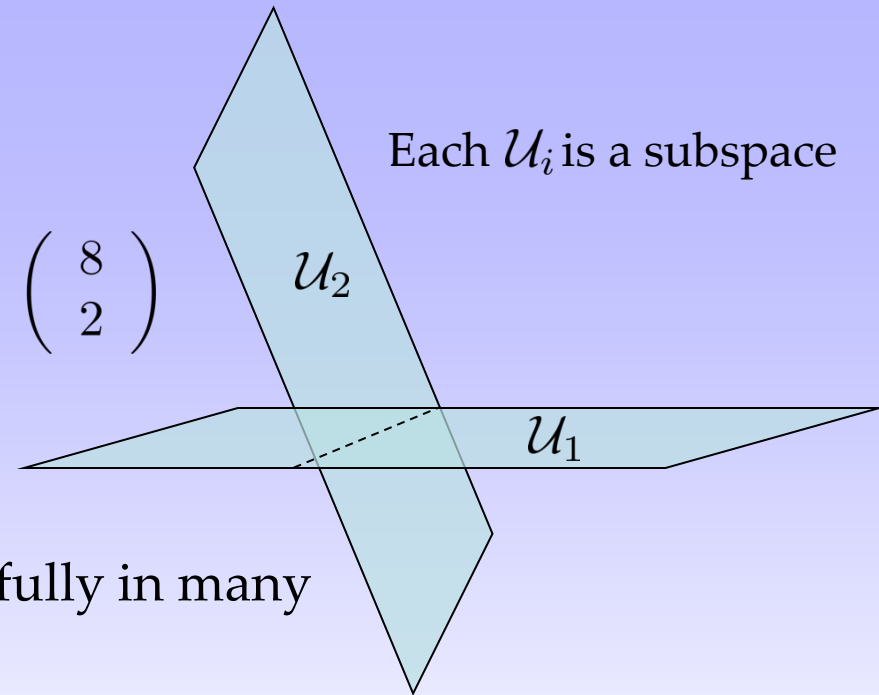
Baraniuk *et al.*, Eldar *et al.*, '09-'11

# Compressed Sensing = Union

2 - sparse



$$\ell = \begin{pmatrix} 8 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$







Sparsity models have been used successfully in many applications such as:


- Denoising and deblurring
- Tracking and classification
- Compressed sensing

Donoho, Johnstone, Mallat, Sapiro, Ma, Vidal, Starck, ...

Candès, Romberg, and Tao '06  
Donoho '06

# Compressed Sensing

$\mathcal{U}$	$ \Lambda  = \infty$	$ \Lambda  = \text{finite}$
$\dim(\mathcal{A}_\lambda) = \infty$		
$\dim(\mathcal{A}_\lambda) = \text{finite}$		

CS 

- For sub-Nyquist sampling, our focus is on infinite unions
- We will start with compressed sensing (CS)
  - easier to explain
  - methods for infinite unions also rely on CS algorithms
- Following a short intro on CS → Sampling and analog systems

# Short Intro

“Can we not just **directly measure** the part that will not end up being thrown away ?”

Donoho, '06



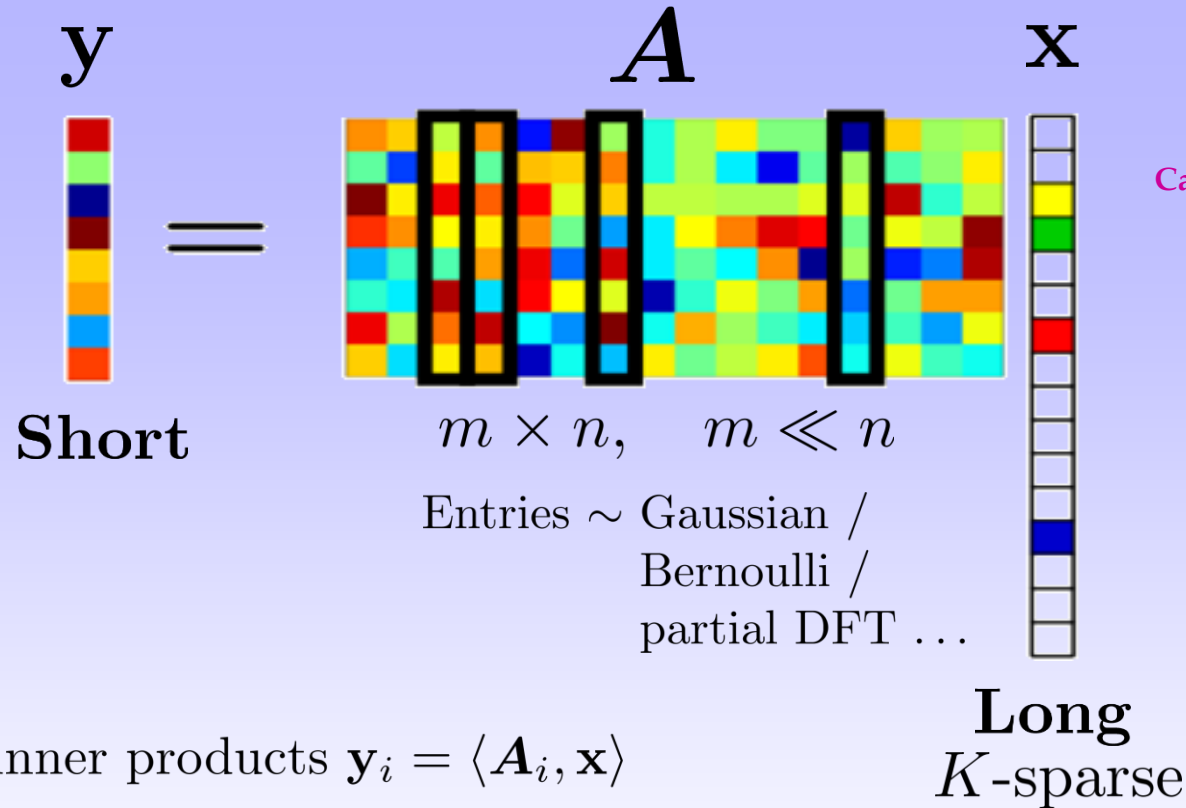
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# In a Nutshell...



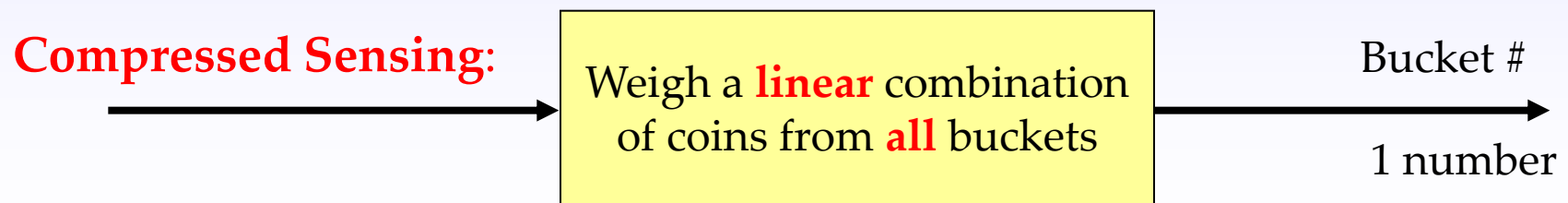
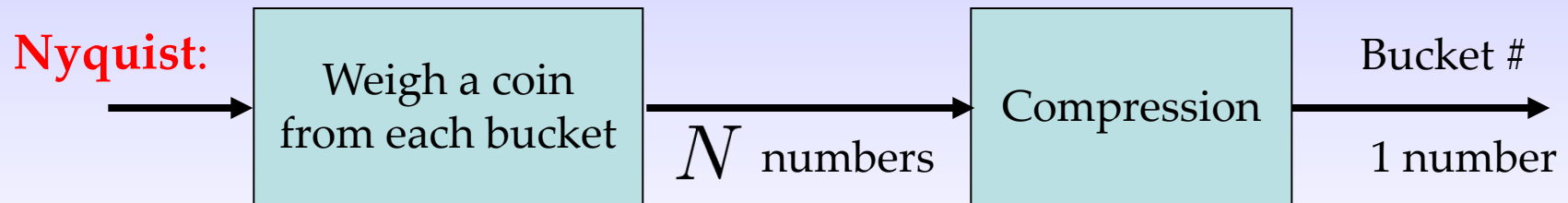
## Main ideas:

- Sensing = inner products  $y_i = \langle \mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{x} \rangle$
- Random projections
- $K$  non-zero values requires at least  $2K$  measurements
- Recovery: brute-force, convex optimization, greedy algorithms

# Concept



Goal: Identify the bucket with fake coins.



# Uniqueness of Sparse Representations

- How many samples are needed to ensure uniqueness?
- Suppose there are two  $K$ -sparse vectors  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  satisfying

$$y = Ax_1 = Ax_2$$

- Then  $A(x_1 - x_2) = 0$
- In the worst case  $z = x_1 - x_2$  is  $2K$  sparse
- Require that there is no  $z$  with  $2K$  non-zero elements in  $\mathcal{N}(A)$
- Every  $2K$  columns of  $A_{m \times n}$  must be linearly independent  $\Rightarrow m \geq 2k$

**Problem: Condition hard to verify**

# Coherence

Donoho *et al.*, '01  
Tropp, '04

- The coherence of  $A$  is defined by (assuming normalized columns)

$$\mu = \max_{i \neq j} | \langle a_i, a_j \rangle |$$

- When  $n \gg m$ ,  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} \leq \mu \leq 1$

- Uniqueness of  $y=Ax$  can be expressed in terms of  $\mu$  as

$$k < \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\mu} \right)$$

- Under same condition we will see that efficient recovery is possible as well

# Restricted Isometry Property (RIP)

Candès and Tao, '05

- When noise is present uniqueness cannot be guaranteed
- Would like to ensure stability
- Can be guaranteed using RIP
- $A$  has RIP of order  $k$  if

$$(1 - \delta)\|x\|^2 \leq \|Ax\|^2 \leq (1 + \delta)\|x\|^2$$

for any  $k$ -sparse vector  $x$

- In this case  $A$  is an approximate isometry
- If  $A$  has unit-columns and coherence  $\mu$  then it has the RIP with

$$\delta = k\mu$$

# Recovery of Sparse Vectors

- Reconstruction: Find the sparsest and consistent  $x$

$$\text{(Requires } m = 2K) \quad \min_x \|x\|_0 \text{ s.t. } y = Ax \quad \text{NP-Hard !!}$$

Alternative recovery algorithms (**Polynomial-time**):

- Basis pursuit  $\min_x \|x\|_1 \text{ s.t. } y = Ax$  (Requires  $m = O(K \log(N/K))$ )

Convex and tractable

Donoho, '06  
Candès *et al.*, '06

RIP- $\delta_{2K} < \sqrt{2} - 1 \rightarrow$  exact recovery

Candès, '08

or coherence guarantee  $K < \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\mu}\right)$

Donoho and Elad, '03

- Greedy algorithms

OMP, FOCUSS, etc.

OMP coherence guarantee  $K < \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\mu}\right)$

Tropp, Elad, Cotter *et al.*,  
Chen *et al.*, and many others...

# Greedy Methods: Matching Pursuit

- Essential algorithm:

Mallat and Zhang, '93

- 1) Choose the first “active” column (maximally correlated with  $y$  )

$$\arg \max_i \langle \mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{y} \rangle \quad S = \text{supp}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \leftarrow i$$

- 2) Subtract off to form a residual

$$\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{y} - \sum_{i \in S} \langle \mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{y} \rangle \mathbf{A}_i$$

- 3) Repeat with  $\mathbf{y}'$

- Very fast for small scale problems

- Not as accurate/robust for large signals in the presence of noise

## Orthogonal MP:

Pati et al., '93

- Improve residual computation

$$\mathbf{y}' = (\mathbf{I} - \mathcal{P}_S)\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}_S^\dagger\mathbf{y}$$

# Recovery In the Presence of Noise

$$y = Ax + w$$

- $\ell_1$ -relaxation techniques (convex optimization problems)

- Basis pursuit denoising (BPDN) / Lasso:

$$\min_x \|x\|_1 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|y - Ax\|_2^2 \leq \eta \quad \text{or} \quad \min_x \|x\|_1 + \lambda \|y - Ax\|_2^2$$

Tibshirani '96  
Chen *et al.*, '98

- Dantzig selector:  $\min_x \|x\|_1 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|A^T(y - Ax)\|_\infty^2 \leq \eta$

Candès and Tao, '07

- Greedy approaches: stop when data error is on the order of the noise



# Recovery Gurantees

$$y = Ax + w$$

Common settings:

- Random sensing matrix  $A$ , random noise  $w \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$ 
  - RIP (and similar properties) can be approximated w.h.p.
  - RIP-based guarantees for Dantzig selector and BPDN:  
 $\|x - \hat{x}\|_2^2 \leq C_0 K \sigma^2 \log N$  assuming RIP

Candès and Tao, '07  
Bicket *et al.*, '09

- Deterministic  $A$  and  $x$ , random  $w \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$ 
  - RIP typically unknown, coherence must be used
  - Coherence-based results for BPDN, OMP, thresholding:  
 $\|x - \hat{x}\|_2^2 \leq C_0 K \sigma^2 \log N$  assuming low  $\mu$

Ben-Haim, Eldar and Elad, '10

- Deterministic “adversarial” noise  $w$ :  $\|w\|_2^2 \leq \epsilon^2$ 
  - Guarantees on order of  $\|x - \hat{x}\|_2^2 \sim \epsilon^2$

Donoho *et al.*, '06

# The Sensing Matrix $A$

- Random IID matrices ensure recovery with high probability for sub-Gaussian distributions (Gaussian, Rademacher, Bernoulli, bounded RVs ...) when  $m = O(K \log(N/K))$
- Random partial Fourier matrices (or more generally unitary matrices) also ensure recovery with a slightly higher number of measurements
- Some structured matrices work as well such as a Vandermonde matrix

Donoho, '06

Candès *et al.*, '06

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# Sub-Nyquist in a Union

$$x(t) \in \mathcal{U} \quad \mathcal{U} = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{A}_\lambda$$

- Imposing subspace model  $x(t) \in \Sigma$  is inefficient,  $f_{\max}$  **problems**

- High-sampling rate
- Analog bandwidth issues

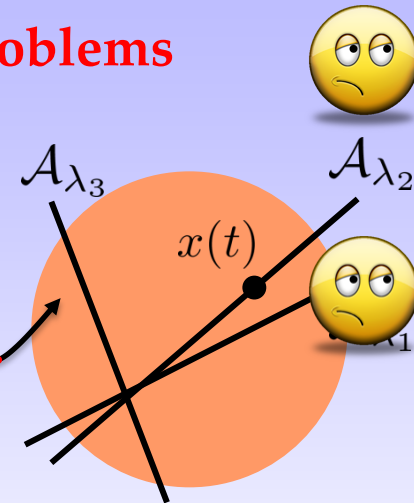
- Generalize the sampling theory for unions? excessive rate

**Still developing...**  
“wasted”

- Apply CS on discretized analog models?

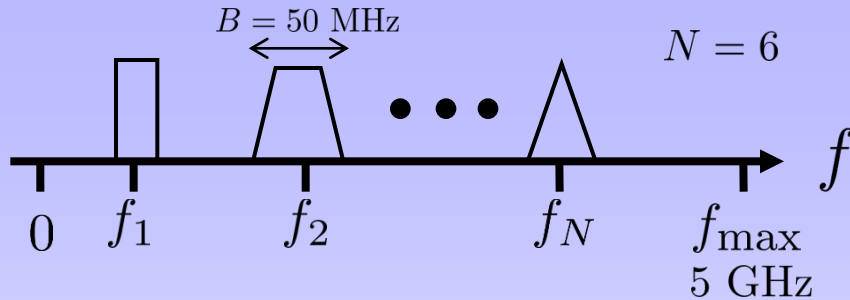
...at the price of **model sensitivity, high computational loads, and loss of resolution**

**Rule of thumb: 1 MHz Nyquist = CS with 1 Million unknowns !**



# Multiband: Discretization ?

- Instead of **analog multiband**:



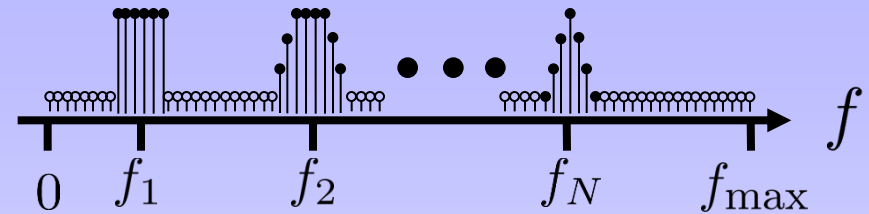
## Advantages:

- Model size:

$$\Phi = N \times \frac{f_{\max}}{B} \approx 40 \times 200$$

Proportional to **actual** bandwidth

- Work with **discrete multi-tone**:



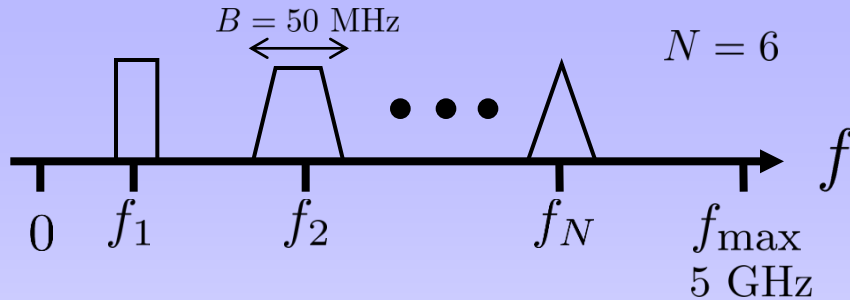
## Problems:

$$\Phi \approx 10^7 \times 10^{10}$$

Proportional to **Nyquist** rate

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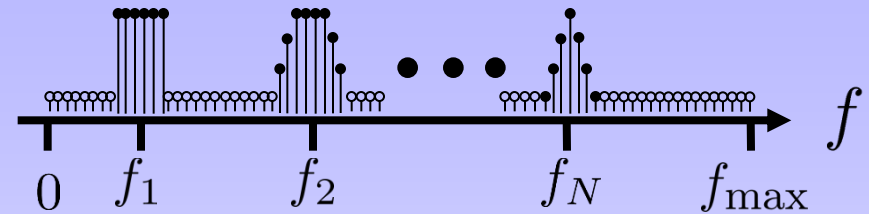


## Advantages:

- Model size:  $\Phi \approx 40 \times 200$
- Sensitivity:

Negligible  
(for a slight rate increase)

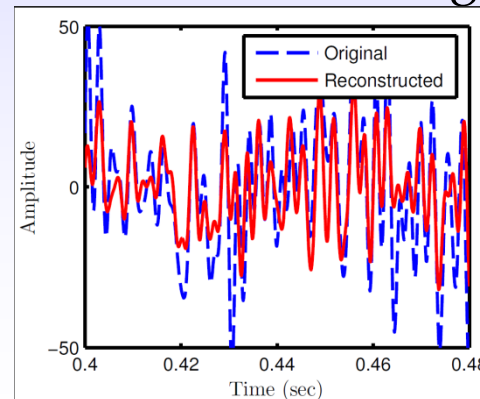
- Work with **discrete multi-tone**:



## Problems:

$\Phi \approx 10^7 \times 10^{10}$  **huge-scale**

Cannot avoid grid mismatch



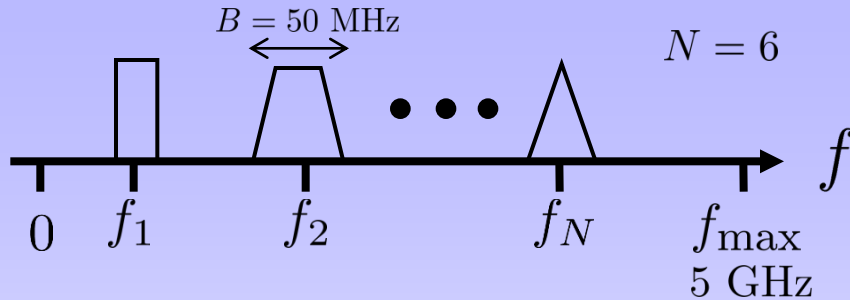
0.005% grid mismatch

$$\frac{\|f(t) - \hat{f}(t)\|^2}{\|f(t)\|^2} = 37\%$$

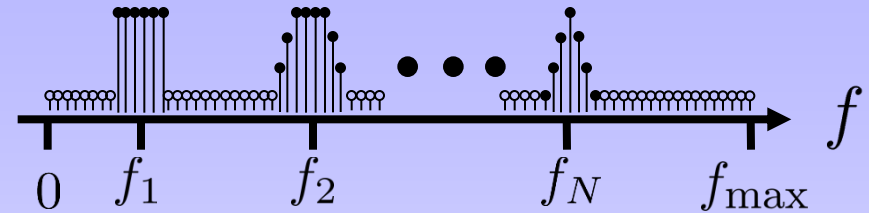
Mishali, Eldar and Elron, '10

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## Advantages:

- Model size:  $\Phi \approx 40 \times 200$
- Sensitivity: Negligible
- Computational load (100 MHz processor):

$\approx 200$

Realtime processing

## Problems:

$\Phi \approx 10^7 \times 10^{10}$

~~Analog Discretization ?~~



$\approx 10^9$  MIPS

# Discrete CS Radar

- A discrete version of the channel is being estimated
- Leakage effect → fake targets

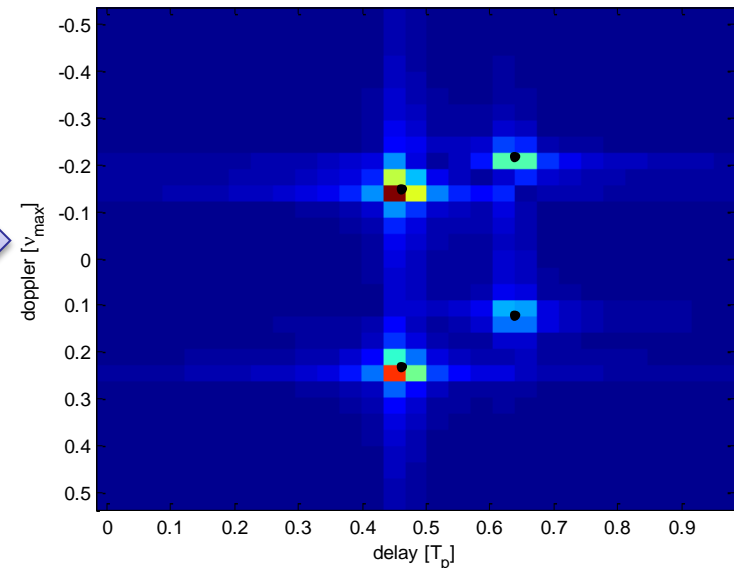
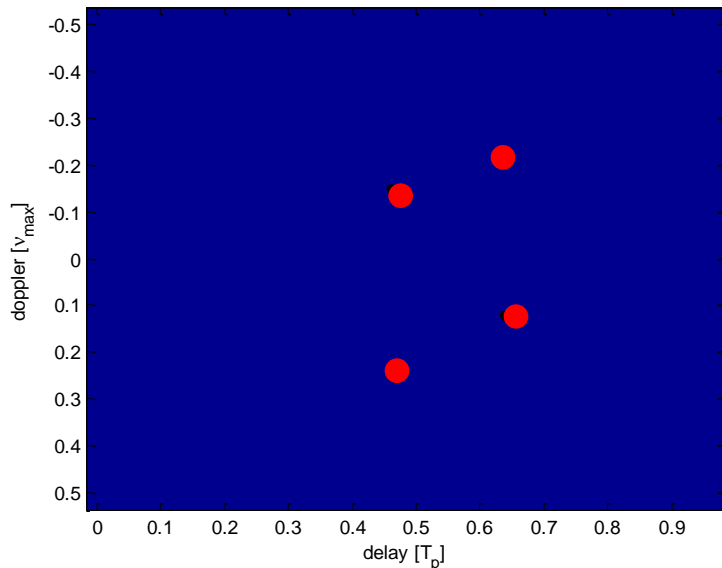
Bajwa, Gedalyahu and Eldar, '11

**Real channel**

$$C(\tau, \nu) = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k \delta(\tau - \tau_k) \delta(\nu - \nu_k)$$

**Discretized channel**

$$C(\ell, m) = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k e^{j\pi(m - \mathcal{T}\nu_k)} \text{sinc}(m - \mathcal{T}\nu_k) \text{sinc}(\ell - \mathcal{W}\tau_k)$$



- Limited resolution to  $1/\mathcal{W}$ ,  $1/\mathcal{T}$
- Sampling process in hardware is unclear
- Digital processing is complex and expensive

# ADCs: Why Not Standard CS?

- CS is for finite dimensional models ( $y=Ax$ )
- Loss in resolution when discretizing
- Sensitivity to grid, analog bandwidth issues
- Is not able to exploit structure in analog signals
- Results in large computation on the digital side
- Samples do not typically interface with standard processing methods

**More elaborate signal models needed that exploit structure to reduce sampling and processing rates**



# Sub-Nyquist in a Union

$$x(t) \in \mathcal{U} \quad \mathcal{U} = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{A}_\lambda$$

- Imposing subspace model  $x(t) \in \Sigma$  is inefficient,  $f_{\max}$  **problems**



- Generalized sampling theory for unions?

**Still developing...**



- Apply CS on discretized analog models?

**Discretization issues...**



**Must combine ideas from Sampling theory and CS recovery algorithms**

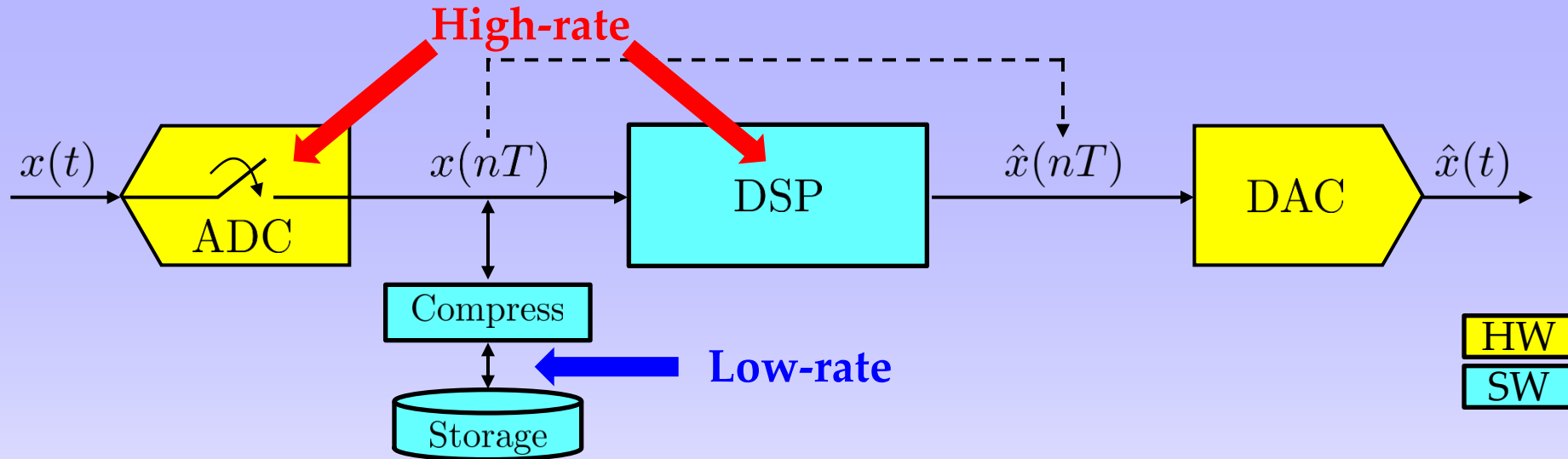
# – Part 4 – Xampling

## Functional approach to sub-Nyquist in a Union

- CS+Sampling = Xampling
- X prefix for compression, e.g. DivX

→ Outline

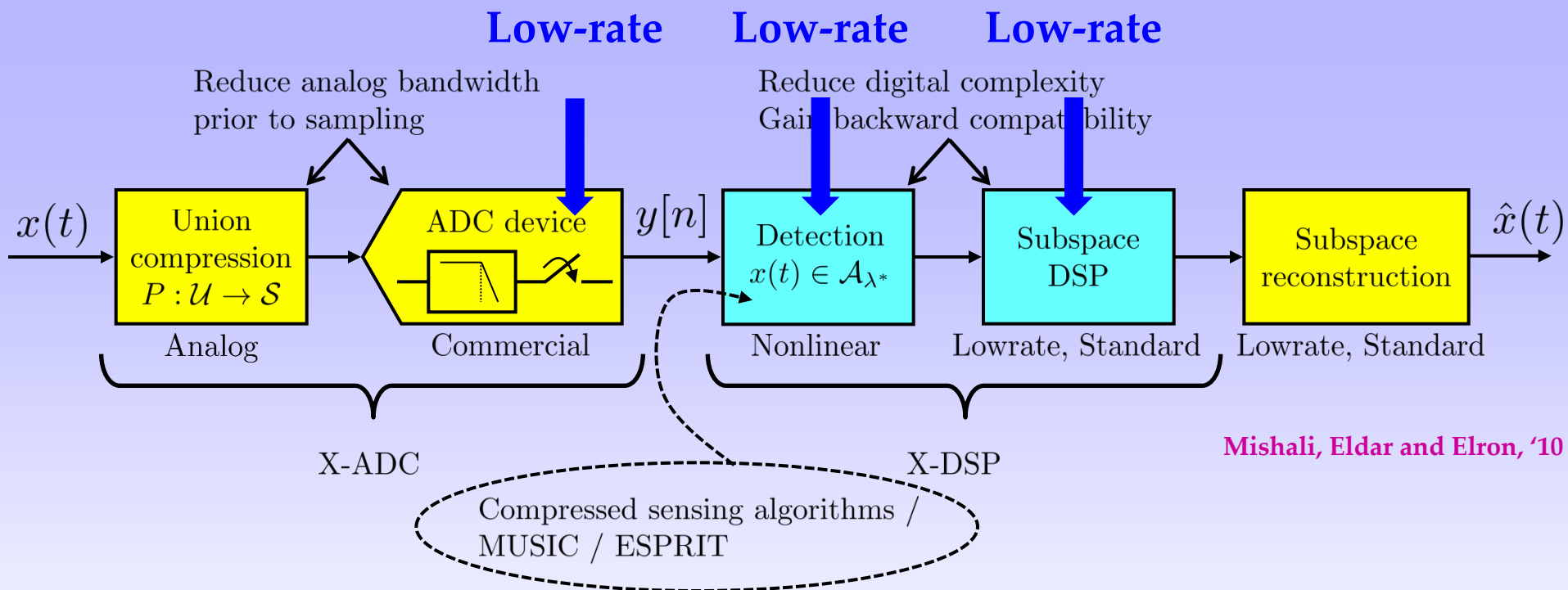
# Standard DSP Systems



- Sampling and processing at high rates = Nyquist of  $x(t)$
- After compression, data has low rate
- Standard DSP software expects Nyquist-rate samples rely on invariant properties  $x(t) \leftrightarrow x(nT)$  (enables digital filtering / digital estimation for example)

**Move compression to hardware before ADC !**

# Xampling – Architecture



- Functional architecture: Both sampling and processing at low rate
- $y[n] \neq x(nT) \rightarrow$  Detection block outputs lowrate data that DSP can handle
- Built bottom-up: based on practical and pragmatic considerations

# Xampling: Main Idea

## Principle #1 (X-ADC):

- Create several streams of data
- Each stream is sampled at a low rate  
(overall rate much smaller than the Nyquist rate)
- Each stream contains a combination from different subspaces

Union  
compression  
 $P : \mathcal{U} \rightarrow \mathcal{S}$   
Analog

New hardware design ideas

## Principle #2 (X-DSP):

- Identify subspaces involved (*e.g.*, using CS)
- Recover using standard sampling results

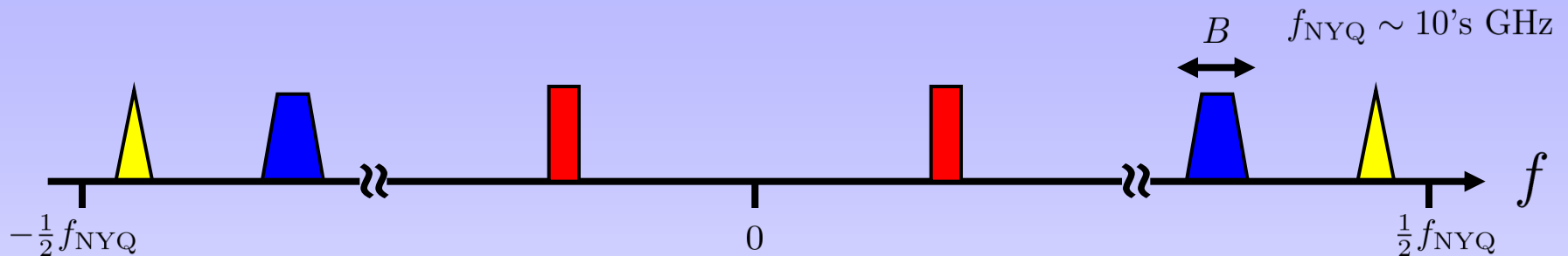
Detection  
 $x(t) \in \mathcal{A}_{\lambda^*}$   
Nonlinear

New DSP algorithms

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# Multiband Union



1. Each band has an uncountable number of non-zero elements
2. Band locations lie on the continuum
3. Band locations are unknown in advance

$$\mathcal{M} = \{ x(t) \mid \text{no more than } N \text{ bands, max width } B, \text{ bandlimited to } [-\frac{1}{2}f_{\text{NYQ}}, +\frac{1}{2}f_{\text{NYQ}}) \}$$


# Optimal Blind Sampling Rate

## Theorem (known spectral support)

Let  $R$  be a sampling set for  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{F}} = \{x(t) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \mid \text{supp } X(f) \subseteq \mathcal{F}\}$ .  
Then,

$$D^-(R) \geq c = \text{meas}(\mathcal{F})$$

Landau, '67

  
Average sampling rate

## Theorem (unknown spectral support)

Let  $R$  be a sampling set for  $\mathcal{N}_c = \{\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{F}} : \text{meas}(\mathcal{F}) \leq c\}$ .  
Then,

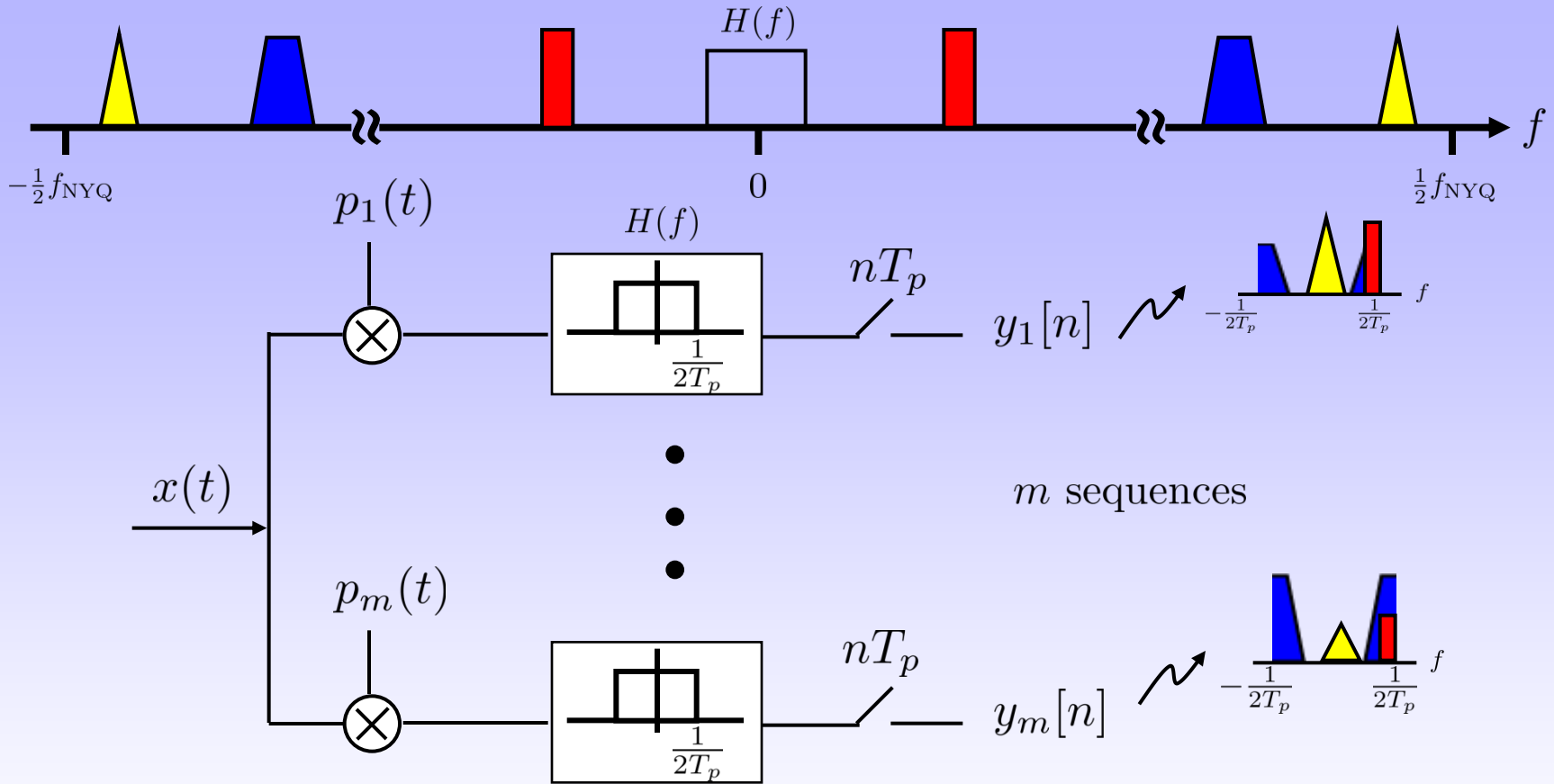
$$D^-(R) \geq \min\{2c, f_{\text{NYQ}}\}$$

Mishali and Eldar, '07

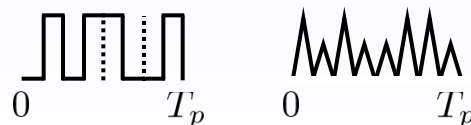
1. The minimal rate is doubled
2.  $N$  bands, individual widths  $\leq B$ , requires at least  $2NB$  samples/sec



# The Modulated Wideband Converter



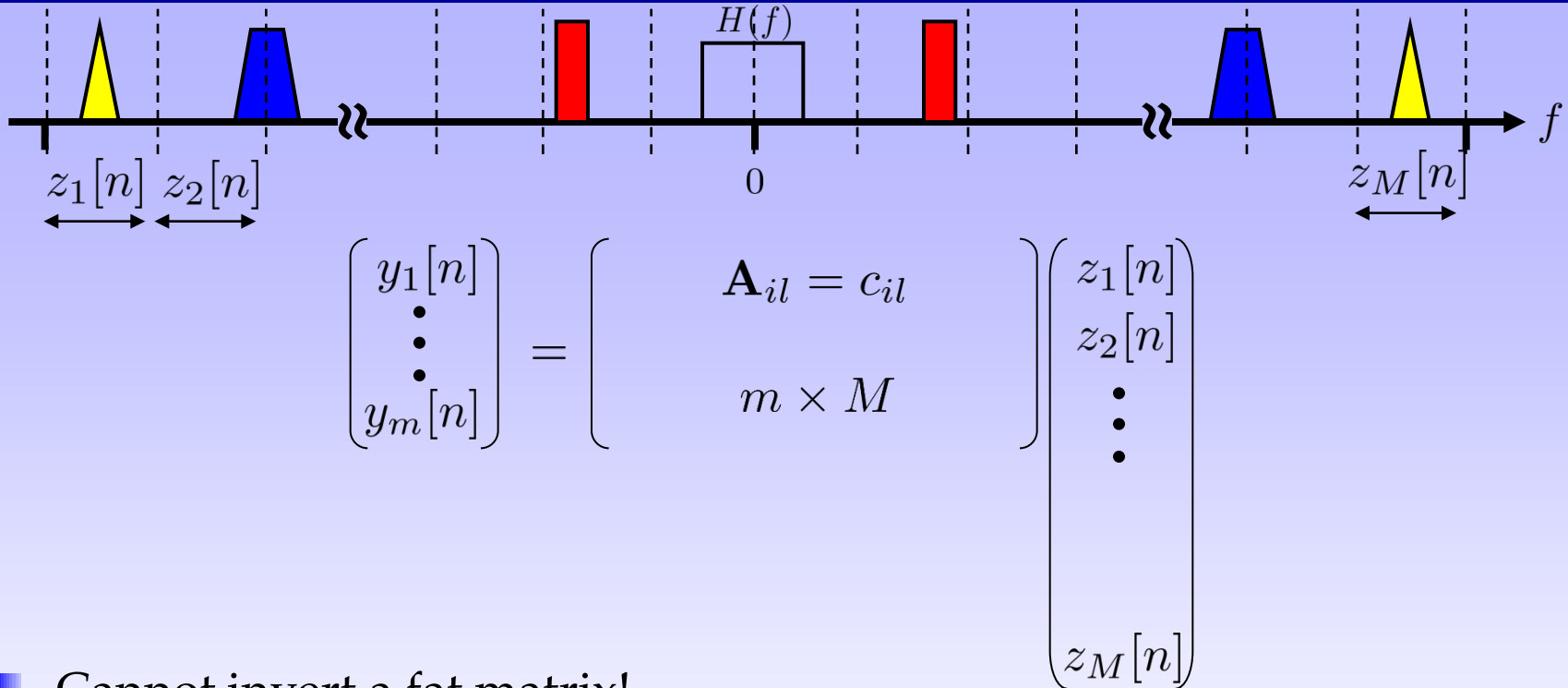
$T_p$ -periodic  $p_i(t)$  gives the desired aliasing effect



and many more...

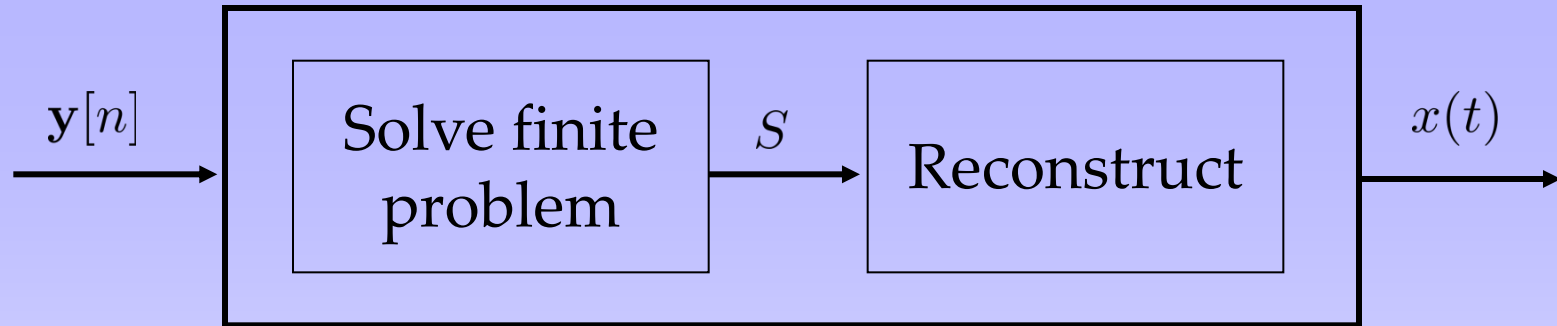
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# Recovery From Xamples




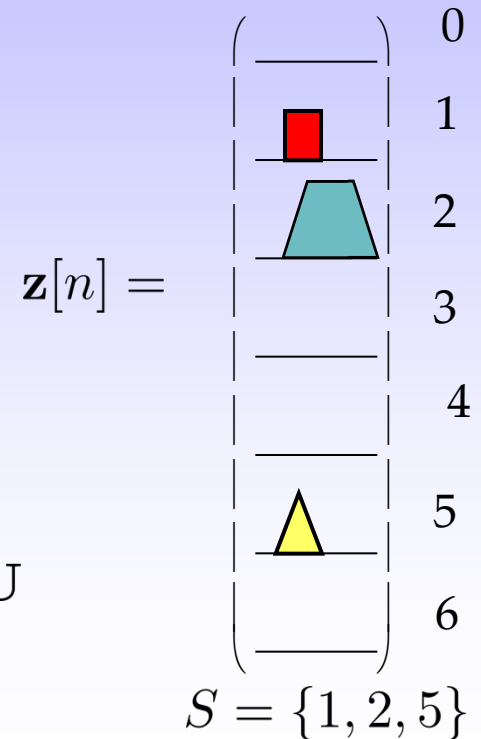
- Cannot invert a fat matrix!
- Spectrum sparsity: Most of the  $z_i[n]$  are identically zero
- For each  $n$  we have a small size CS problem
- Problem: CS algorithms for each  $n \rightarrow$  many computations

# Reconstruction Approach



$S$  = non-zero rows

CTF   
(Support recovery)



**Continuous**

$$y[n] = \mathbf{A}z[n], \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}$$

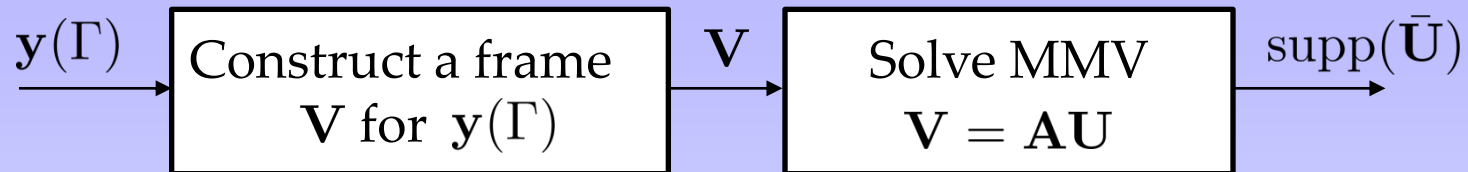
**Finite**

$$\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{U}$$

The matrix  $\mathbf{V}$  is any basis for the span of  $y[n]$

# Underlying Theory

$$\mathbf{y}(\lambda) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{z}(\lambda), \quad \lambda \in \Gamma$$



## Theorem [Exact Support Recovery, CTF]

Let  $\bar{\mathbf{z}}(\Gamma)$  be a  $k$ -sparse solution set. If

$$\sigma(\mathbf{A}) \geq 2k - (\text{rank}(\mathbf{y}(\Gamma)) - 1)$$

then  $\text{supp}(\bar{\mathbf{z}}(\Gamma)) = \text{supp}(\bar{\mathbf{U}})$ .

Mishali and Eldar, '08

CTF = Continuous to Finite

# Insight into CTF

$$\mathbf{y}[n] = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{z}[n]$$

Run CS recovery  
for each time-instance  $n$

Poly.-time /  $\mathbf{y}[n]$

nonlinear

**Computationally heavy**

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1. Construct frame  $\mathbf{V}$

$\mathcal{O}(k)$  snapshots

easy

2. Solve CS system  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{U}$

Poly.-time once

nonlinear

3. Apply  $\mathbf{A}_S^\dagger$  on  $\mathbf{y}[n]$   
for each time-instance  $n$

1 matrix-vector mult. /  $\mathbf{y}[n]$

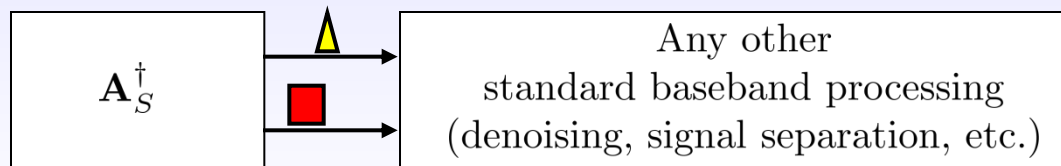
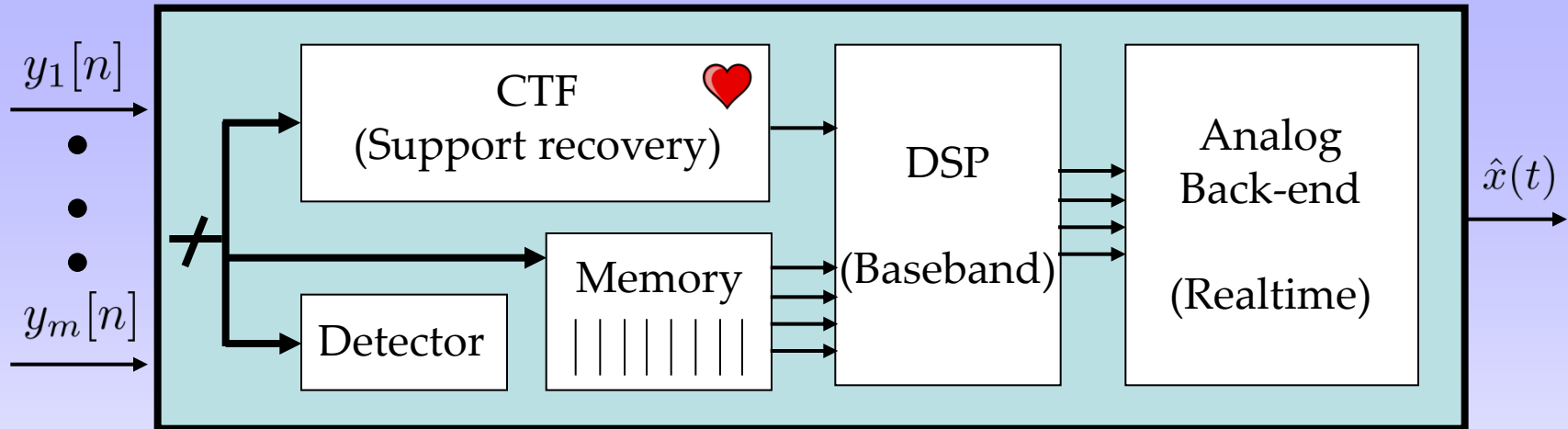
linear

**Computationally light**

# Reconstruction

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High-level architecture

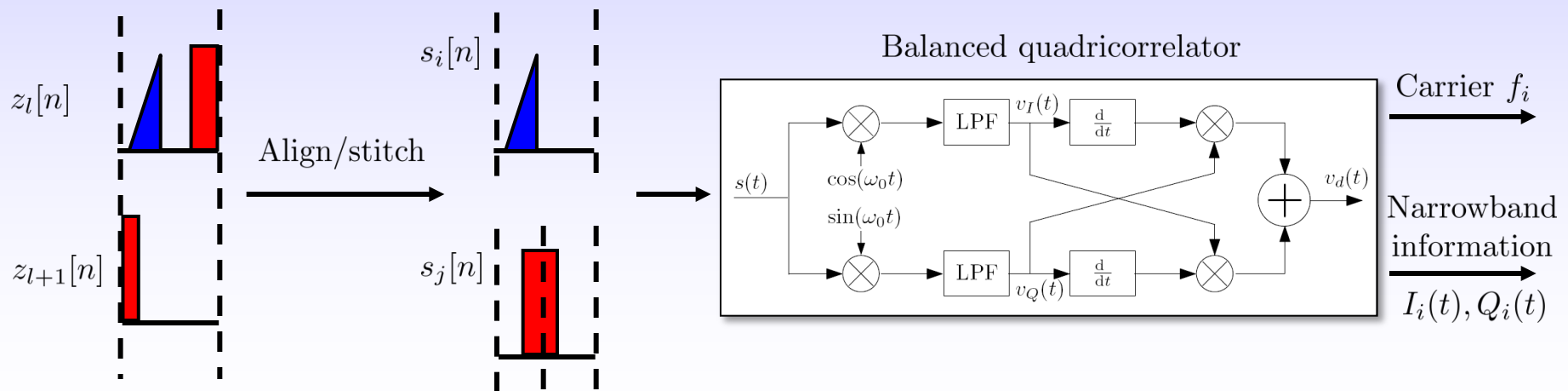
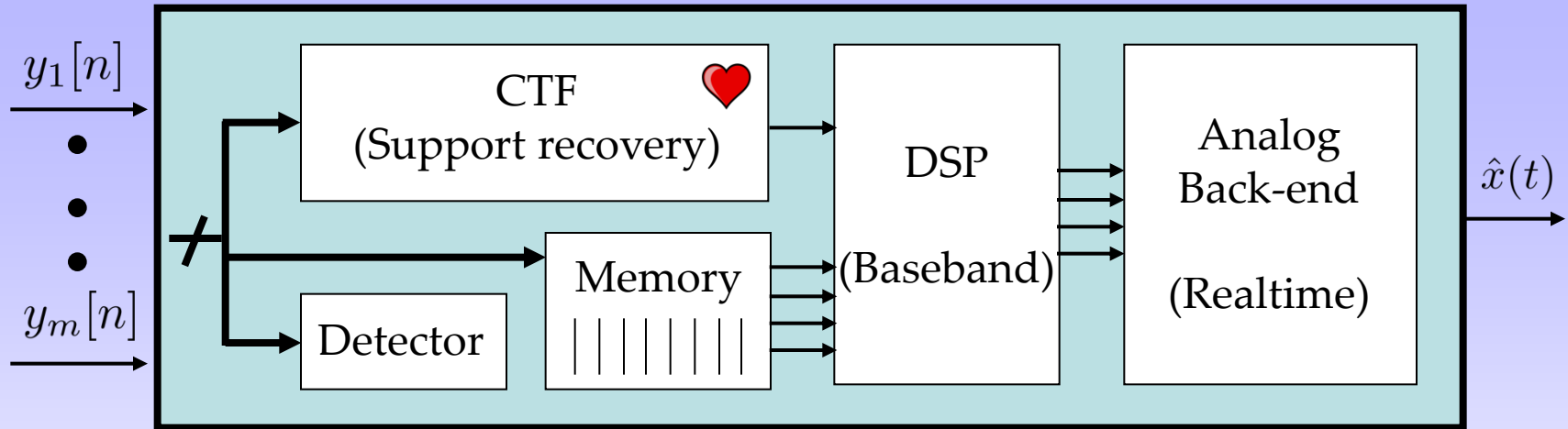


Recover any desired spectrum slice at baseband

# Reconstruction

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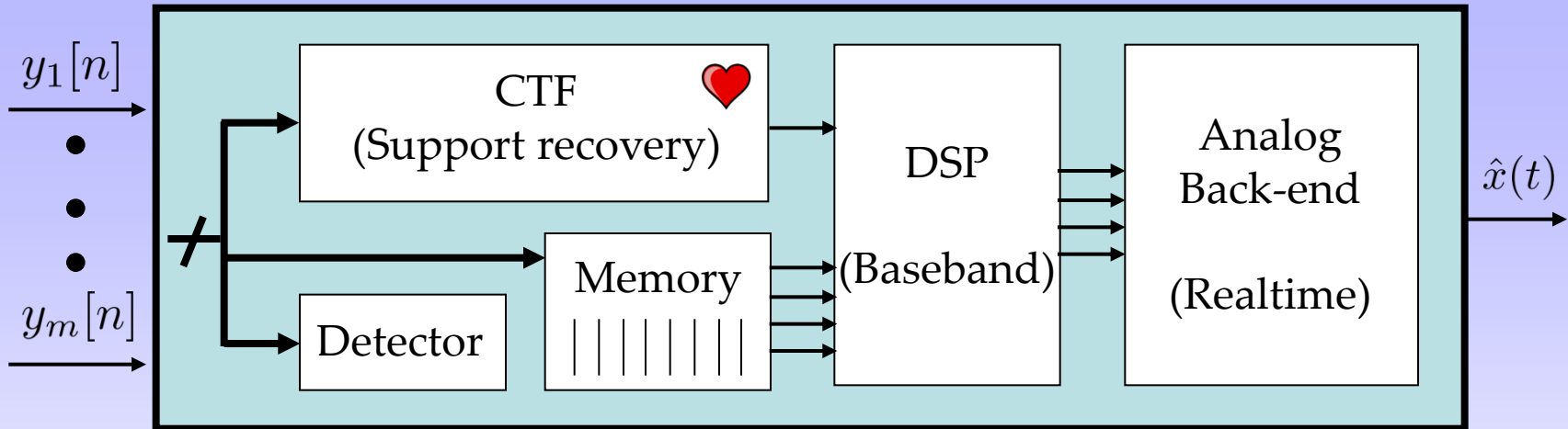
## High-level architecture



# Reconstruction

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## High-level architecture



Can reconstruct:

- The original analog input exactly  $\hat{x}(t) = x(t)$  (without noise)
- Improve SNR for noisy inputs, due to rejection of out-of-band noise
- Any band of interest, modulated on any desired carrier frequency



# Sign-Flipping Periodic Waveforms

$p_i(t) = \int_0^{T_p} \text{[waveform]} dt \xrightarrow{M \text{ alternations}} \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{F}$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mathbf{S} = \text{rectangular (signs)} \\ \mathbf{F} = \text{square (DFT)} \end{array} \right.$

## Theorem [Expected-RIP for MWC]

Periodic mixing with sign patterns gives  $\mathbf{A}$  with ExRIP probability

$$p \geq 1 - \frac{(1 - C_k)\rho_M (1 + \alpha(\mathbf{S}) - 2\beta(\mathbf{S})) - (B_k - C_k)\rho_M (\gamma(\mathbf{S}) - \beta(\mathbf{S})) + C_k M \beta(\mathbf{S}) - 1}{\delta_k^2}$$

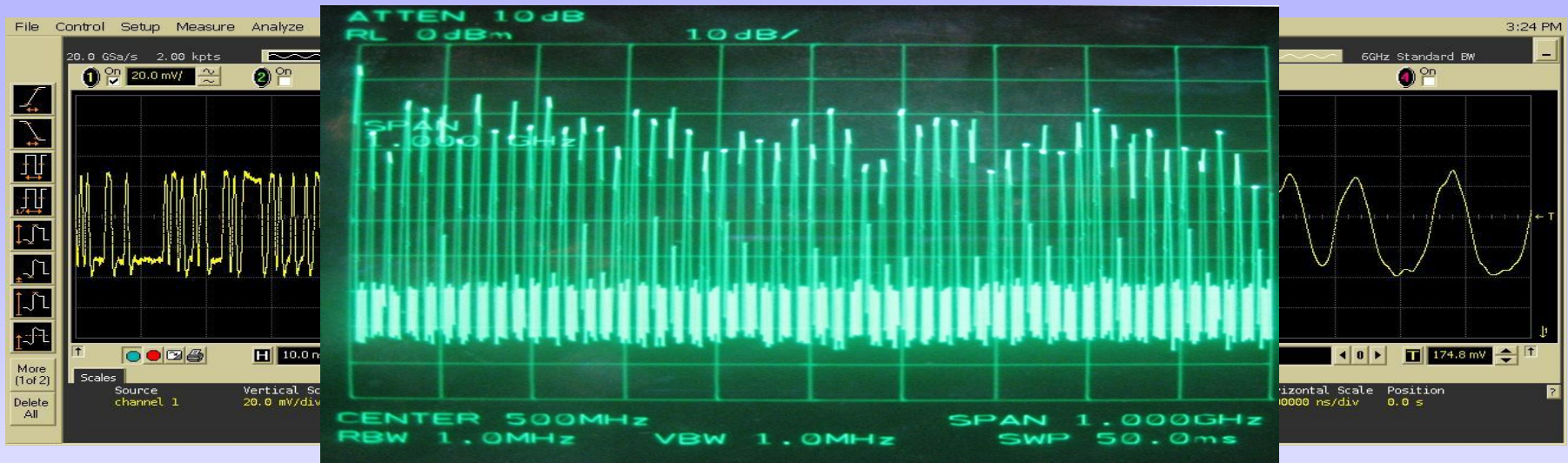
TABLE II: ExRIP guarantees for different sign patterns

Family	Dimensions			Quality $\times 100$			ExRIP prob. $p$	
	$m$	$M$	$2K$	$\alpha(\mathbf{S})$	$\beta(\mathbf{S})$	$\gamma(\mathbf{S})$	Normal	Uniform
Maximal	80	511	24	1.438	0.196	0.408	0.932	0.931
Gold	80	511	24	1.255	0.198	0.199	0.939	0.939
Hadamard	80	512	24	1.250	1.094	1.238	0.000	0.000
Random1	80	511	24	1.439	0.198	0.202	0.927	0.927
Kasami	16	255	12	6.667	0.392	0.294	0.689	0.675
Random2	40	195	24	3.025	0.526	0.537	0.856	0.858

$\alpha(\mathbf{S}) = \text{correlations energy}$   
 $\beta(\mathbf{S}) = \text{auto/cross-correlations}$   
 $\gamma(\mathbf{S}) = \text{reverse-correlations}$

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# Time Appearance of Mixing Waveforms



■ Bad news: can't design nice sign patterns at GHz rates



■ Good news: only the periodicity matters !



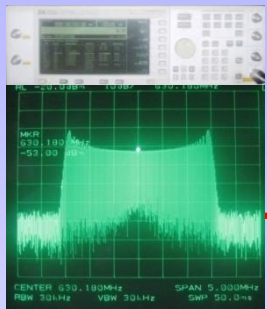
$$p_i(t) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} c_{il} e^{j \frac{2\pi}{T_p} l t}$$

and many more...

■ Competing approaches (pure CS) struggle with time appearance

# Sub-Nyquist Demonstration

Carrier frequencies are chosen to create overlaid aliasing at baseband



FM @ 631.2 MHz



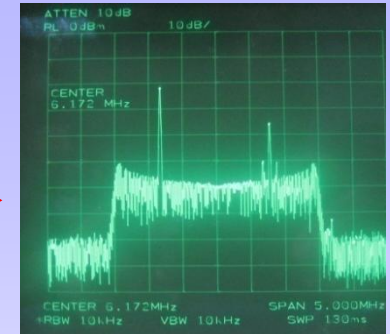
AM @ 807.8 MHz



Sine @ 981.9 MHz

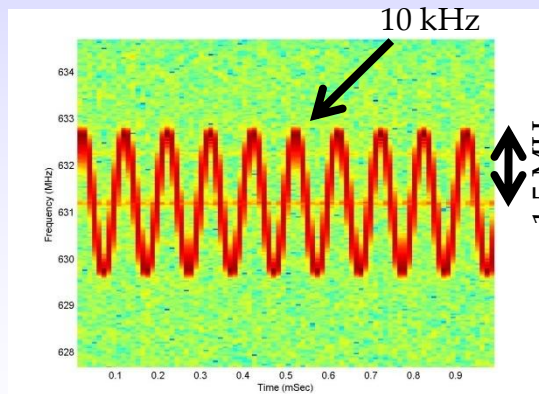


MWC prototype

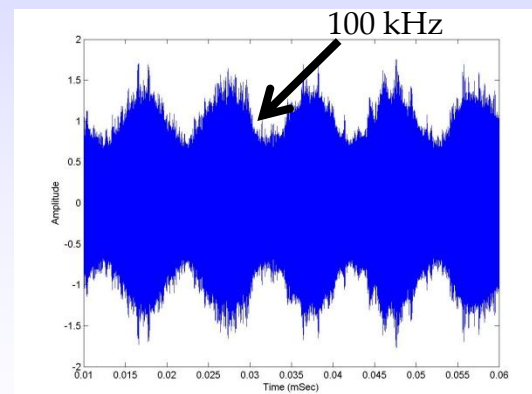


aliasing around 6.171 MHz

Reconstruction  
(CTF)



FM @ 631.2 MHz



AM @ 807.8 MHz

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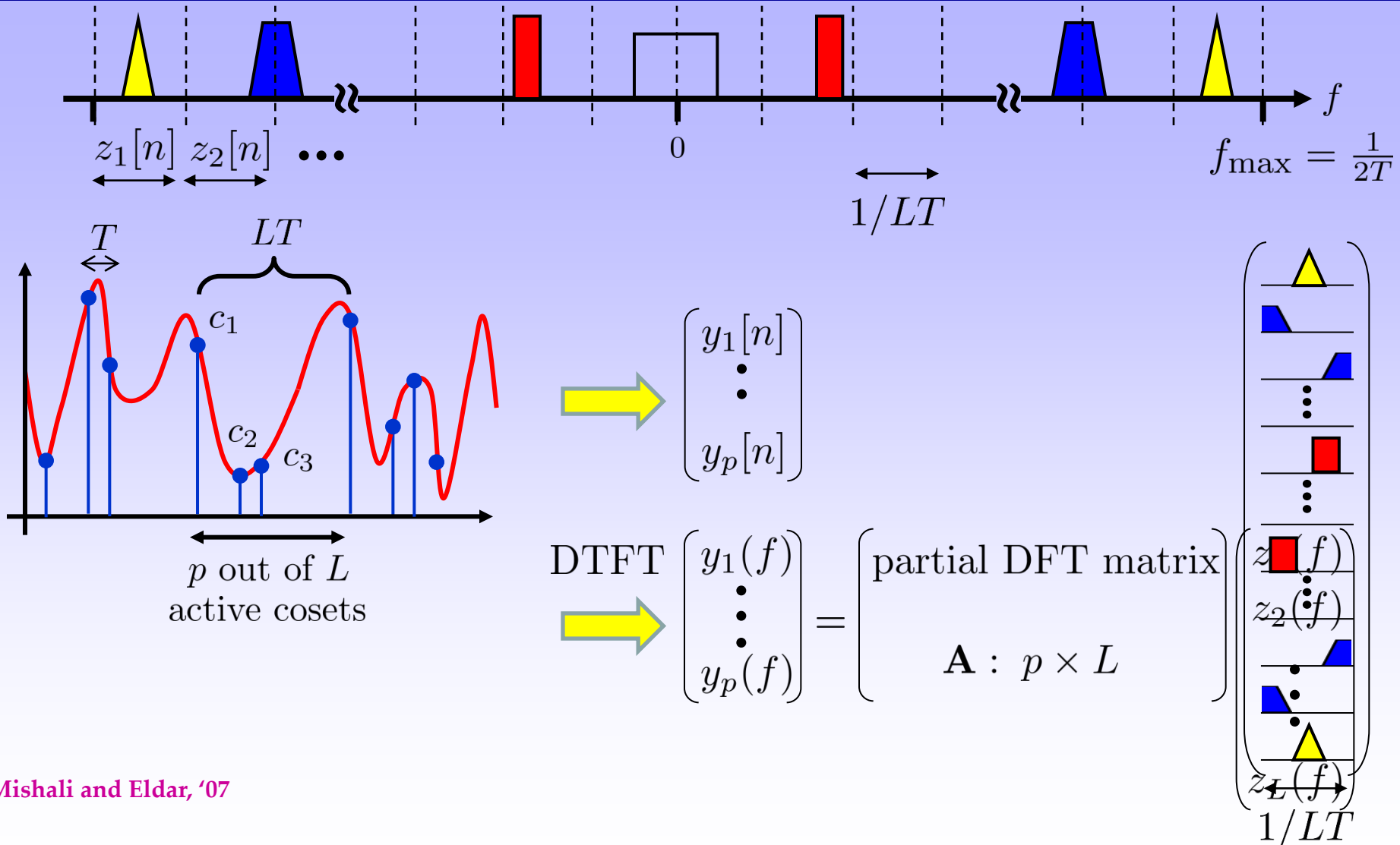
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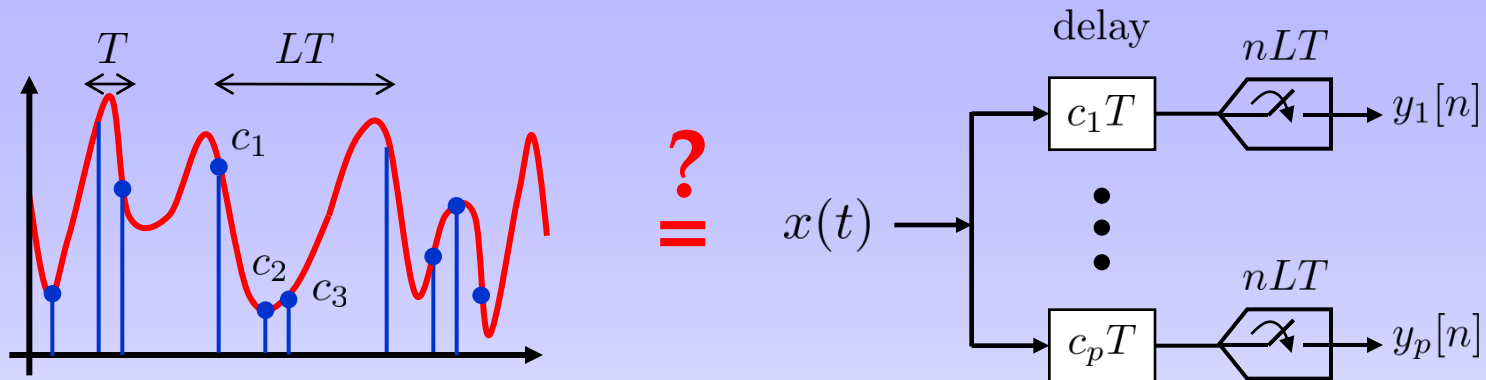
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# Fully-Blind PNS Approach



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# Can Avoid RF Front-end ?

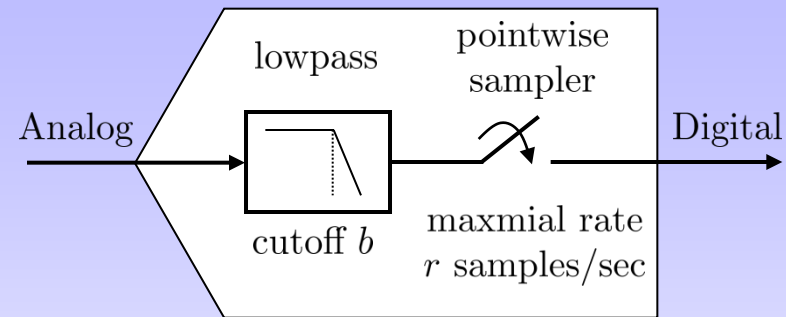
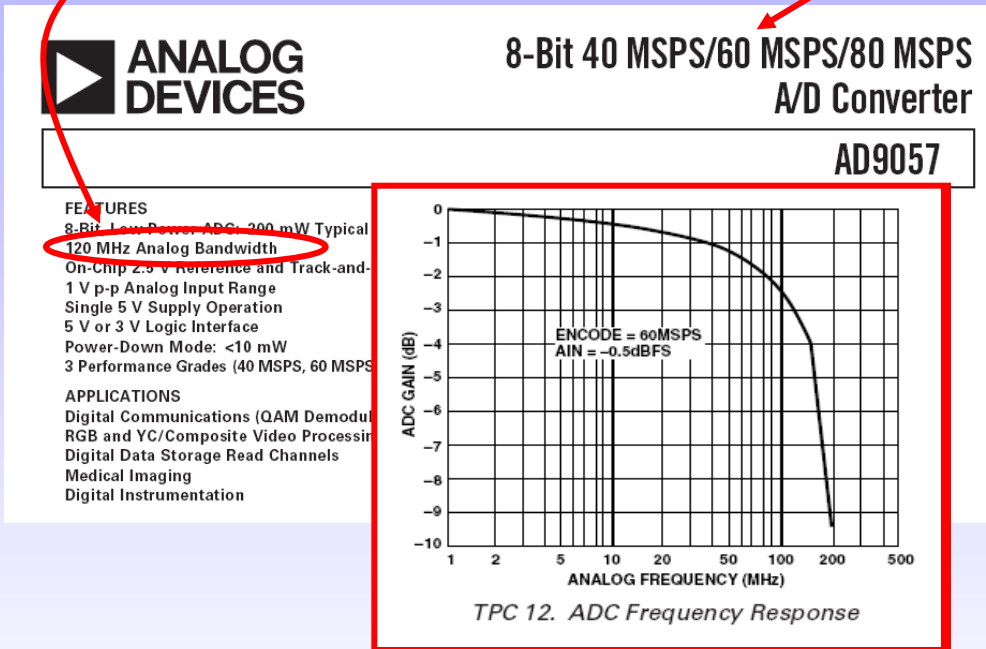


- YES ! If the input bandwidth is not too high...

# Practical ADC Devices

Analog bandwidth limitation  $b$

Sampling rate  $r$



In non-uniform sampling:

- Both T/H and mux operate at the Nyquist rate
- Digital processing and recovery requires interpolation to the high Nyquist grid
- Accurate time-delays  $\phi_i$  are needed

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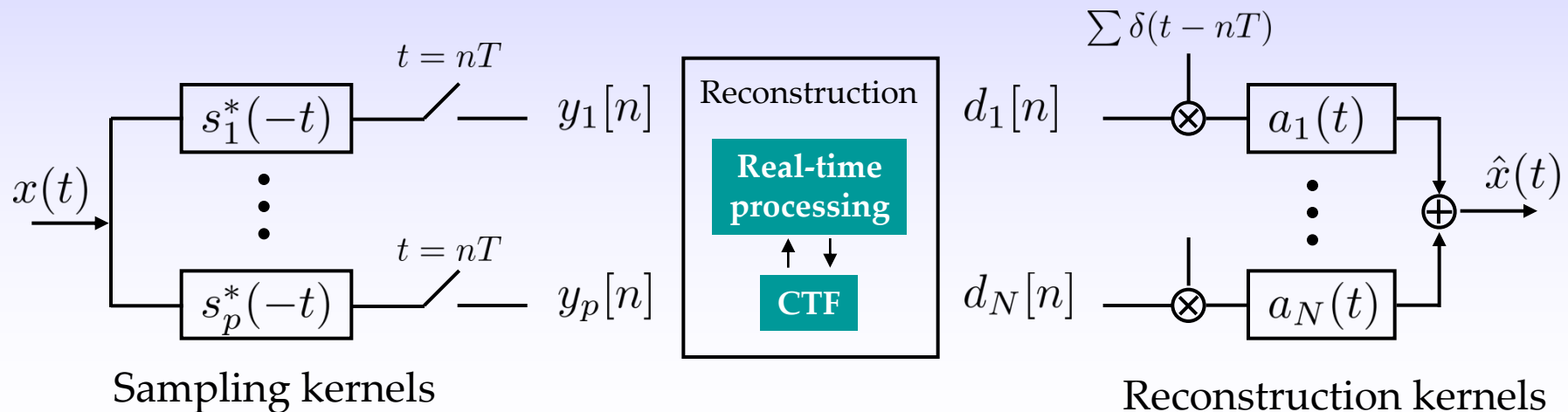
# Sparse Shift-Invariant Framework

Eldar, '09

Sampling signals from a structured union of shift-invariant spaces (SI)

$$x(t) = \sum_{|l|=k} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} d_l[n] a_l(t - n)$$

There is no prior knowledge on the exact  $|l| = k$  indices in the sum

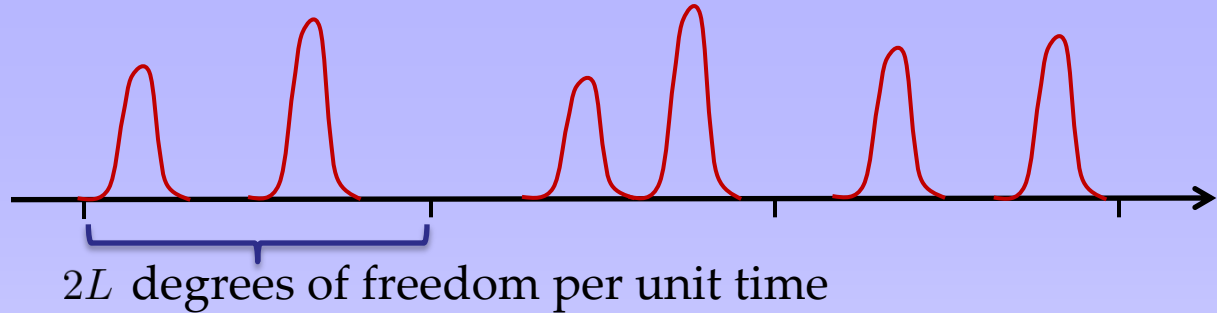


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# Pulse Streams

$$x(t) = \sum_{l \in \mathbb{Z}} a_l h(t - t_l)$$

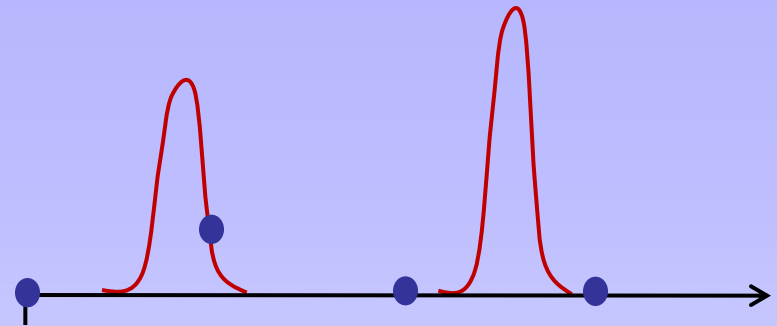


- Delays and amplitudes are unknown
- Applications:
  - Communication
  - Radar
  - Bioimaging
  - Neuronal signals
- Special case of Finite Rate of Innovation (FRI) signals
- Minimal sampling rate – the rate of innovation:  $\rho = \frac{2L}{T}$

Vetterli *et al.*, '02

# Analog Sampling Stage

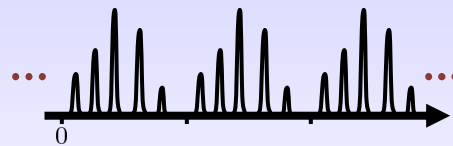
- Naïve attempt: direct sampling at low rate
- Most samples do not contain information!!



Sampling rate reduction requires proper design of the analog front-end

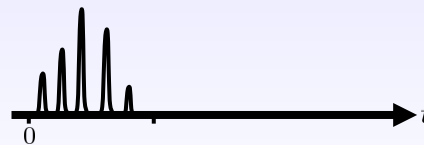
## Special cases:

- Periodic pulse streams



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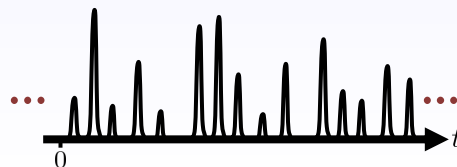
- Finite



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- Infinite pulse streams

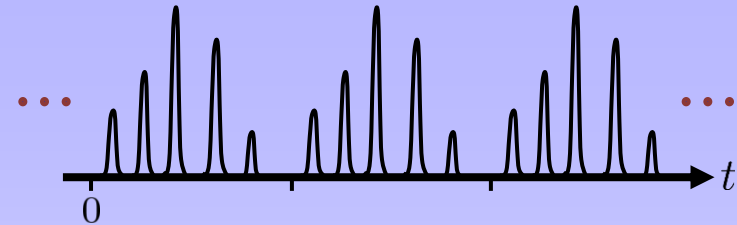


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# Periodic Pulse Streams

- Periodic FRI signal model:

$$x(t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{\ell=1}^L a_{\ell} h(t - t_{\ell} - k\tau), \quad t_{\ell} \in [0, \tau)$$



Vetterli *et al.*, '02-'05

The function  $h(t)$  and the period are known

- Since  $x(t)$  is periodic it has a Fourier series with coefficients

$$X[k] = H \left( \frac{2\pi k}{T} \right) \sum_{l=1}^L a_l e^{-j2\pi k t_l / T}$$

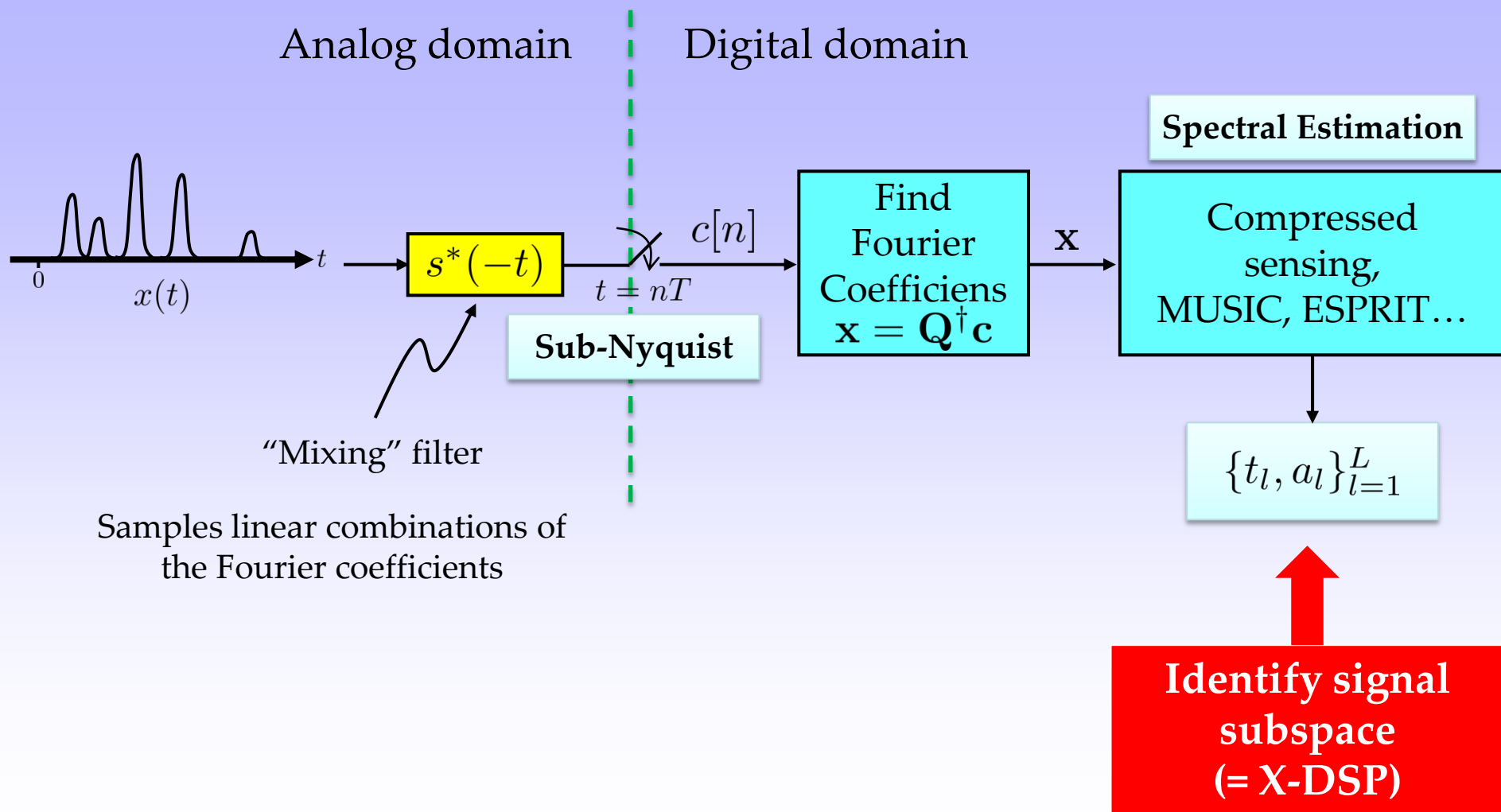
- Spectral estimation: sum of complex exponentials problem
- Solved using  $2L$  measurements
  - Methods: annihilating filter, MUSIC, ESPRIT

Schmidt, '86

Roy and Kailath, '89

Stoica and Moses, '97

# General Approach

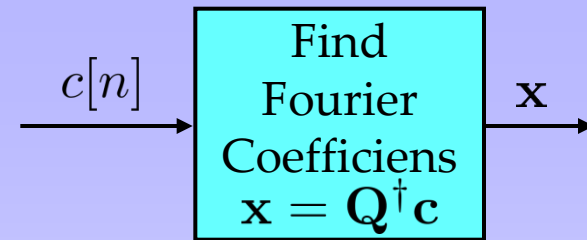


# Find Fourier Coefficients

- Fourier series of a periodic input:

$$x(t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^L a_{\ell} h(t - t_{\ell}) \rightarrow X[k] = H\left(\frac{2\pi k}{T}\right) \sum_{\ell=1}^L a_{\ell} e^{-j2\pi k t_{\ell}/T}$$

$$\mathbf{x} = [\dots X[k] \dots]^T \quad \text{Unknown}$$



- Sensing with lowpass:

$$c[n] = \langle s(t - nt), x(t) \rangle = \sum_k X[k] \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j2\pi k T/\tau} s^*(t - nT) dt$$

$$= \sum_k X[k] e^{j2\pi k n T/\tau} \underbrace{S^*\left(\frac{2\pi k}{\tau}\right)}_{\mathbf{V}} = \sum_{k=-L}^L X[k] \underbrace{e^{j2\pi k n T/\tau}}_{\mathbf{V}} \underbrace{S^*\left(\frac{2\pi k}{\tau}\right)}_{\mathbf{S}}$$

$$S^*(\omega) = \text{CTFT}\{s(t)\}$$

lowpass  $\rightarrow \neq 0, -L \leq k \leq L$

$\mathbf{V}$  diagonal  $\mathbf{S}$

$$\rightarrow \mathbf{c} = \underbrace{\mathbf{V}\mathbf{S}}_{\mathbf{Q}} \mathbf{x}$$

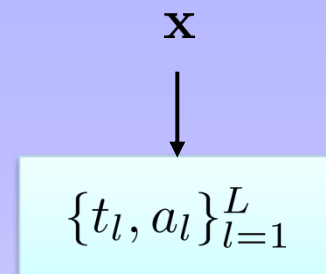
$$\mathbf{c} = [\dots c[n] \dots]^T$$

**Known measurements**

# Annihilating ``Filter''

- Goal: design a digital filter  $A[k]$  with  $z$ -transform:

$$A(z) = \sum_{k=0}^L A[k]z^{-k} = A[0] \prod_{l=1}^L \left(1 - e^{-j2\pi t_l/\tau} z^{-1}\right)$$

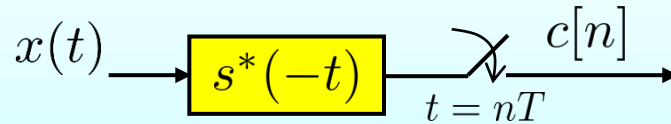


- $A[k]$  has zeros at the ``frequencies''  $t_\ell \longrightarrow$  annihilates  $X[k]$
- Filter coefficients can be computed from the measurements:

$$A[k] * X[k] = 0 \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} X[0] & X[-1] & \cdots & X[-L] \\ X[1] & X[0] & \cdots & X[-(L-1)] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X[L] & X[L-1] & \cdots & X[0] \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A[0] \\ A[1] \\ \vdots \\ A[L] \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$



# X-ADC: Filter Choice

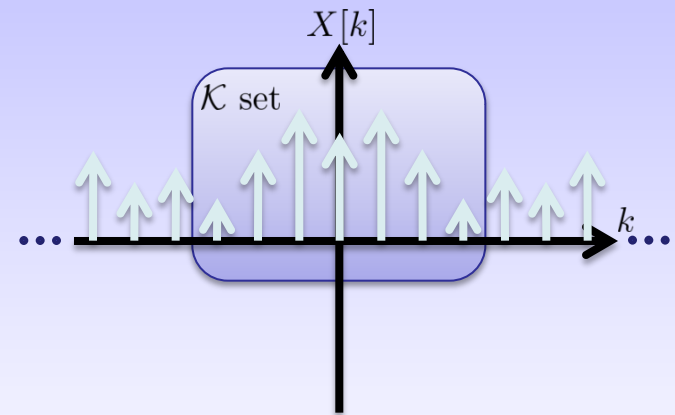


## Theorem [Sufficient Condition]

If the filter  $s^*(-t)$  satisfies :

$$S^*(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \omega = 2\pi k/\tau, k \notin \mathcal{K} \\ \text{nonzero} & \omega = 2\pi k/\tau, k \in \mathcal{K} \\ \text{arbitrary} & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and  $N \geq |\mathcal{K}|$ , then the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  can be obtained from the samples  $c[n]$ ,  $n = 1 \dots N$ .



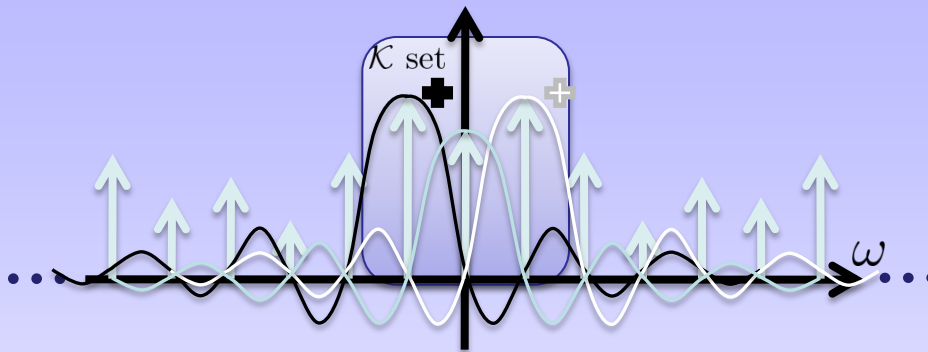
Tur, Eldar and Friedman, '11

# Special Cases

- Low pass filter
- Sum of sincs (SoS) in the frequency domain

Vetterli *et al.*, '02

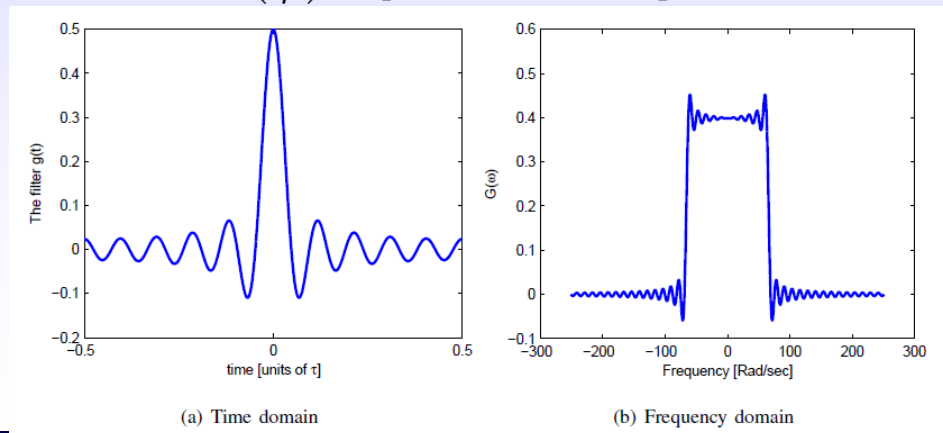
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$$\frac{\tau}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} b_k \text{sinc} \left( \frac{\omega}{2\pi/\tau} - k \right)$$

Compact support!

- In the time domain  $g(t) = \text{rect} \left( \frac{t}{\tau} \right) \sum_{k \in \mathcal{K}} b_k e^{j2\pi kt/\tau}$
- For  $b_k = 1$ :  $g(t) = \text{rect} \left( \frac{t}{\tau} \right) D_p(2\pi t/\tau)$ ,  $D_p(t)$  is the Dirichlet kernel



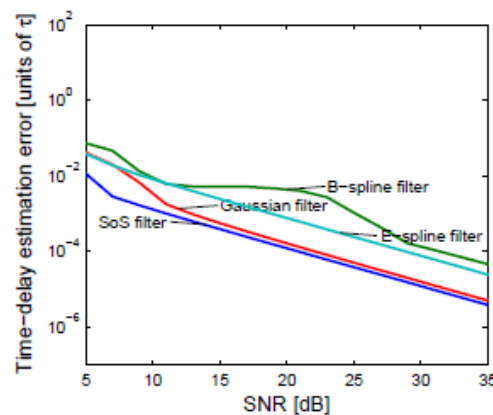
(a) Time domain

(b) Frequency domain

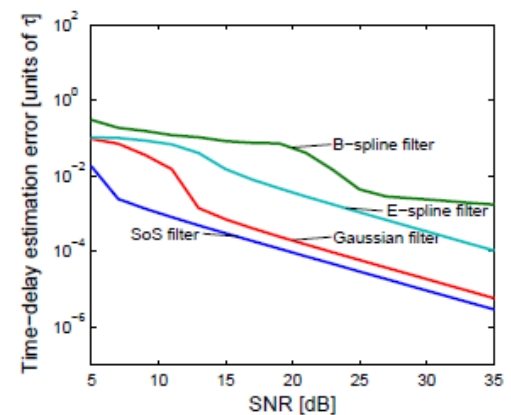
# Finite Pulse Streams

- SoS filter can be used for finite streams due to its finite support!
- Not true for LPF or other filters with long support

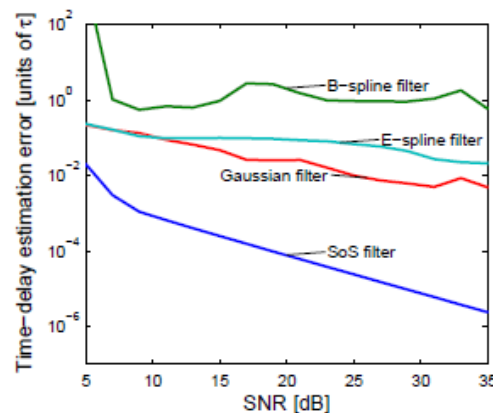
Far more robust than  
Spline based methods –  
works even for high  $L$ !



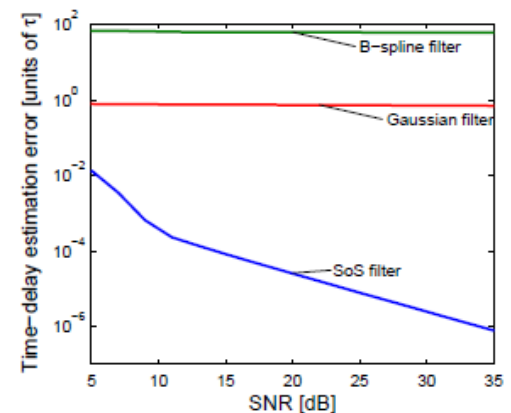
(a)  $L = 2$



(b)  $L = 3$



(c)  $L = 5$



(d)  $L = 20$

# Multichannel Scheme

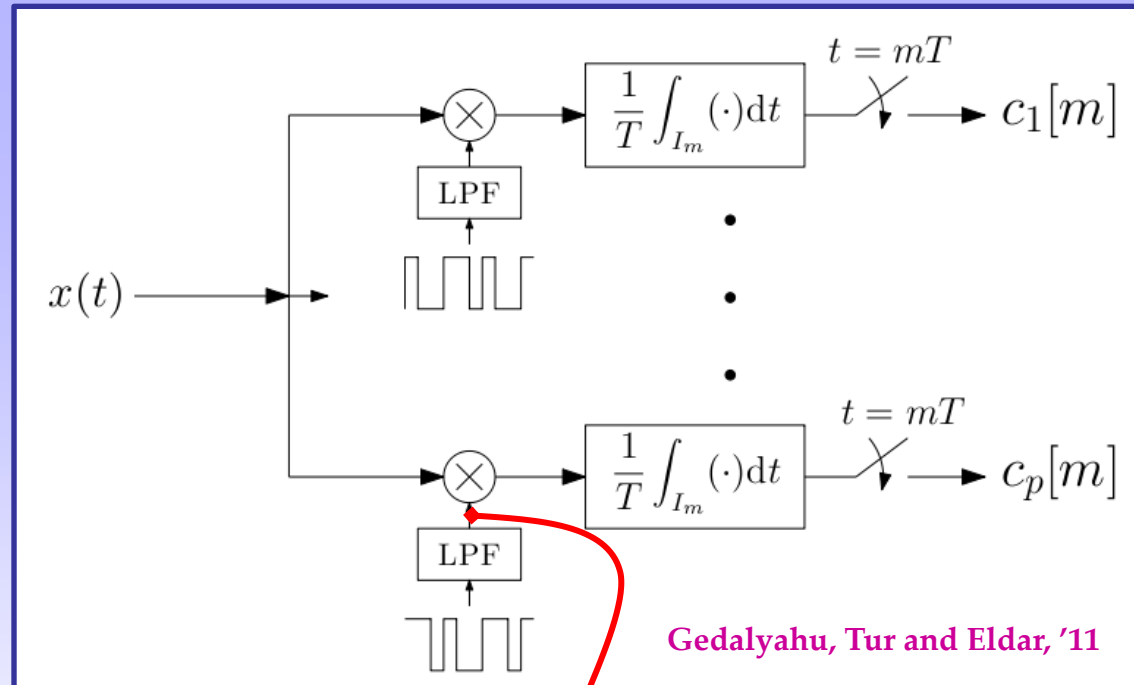
Proposed scheme:

- Mix & integrate
- Take linear combinations from which Fourier coeff. can be obtained

$$\mathbf{c} = \mathbf{S}\mathbf{x}$$

Samples

Fourier coeff.  
vector

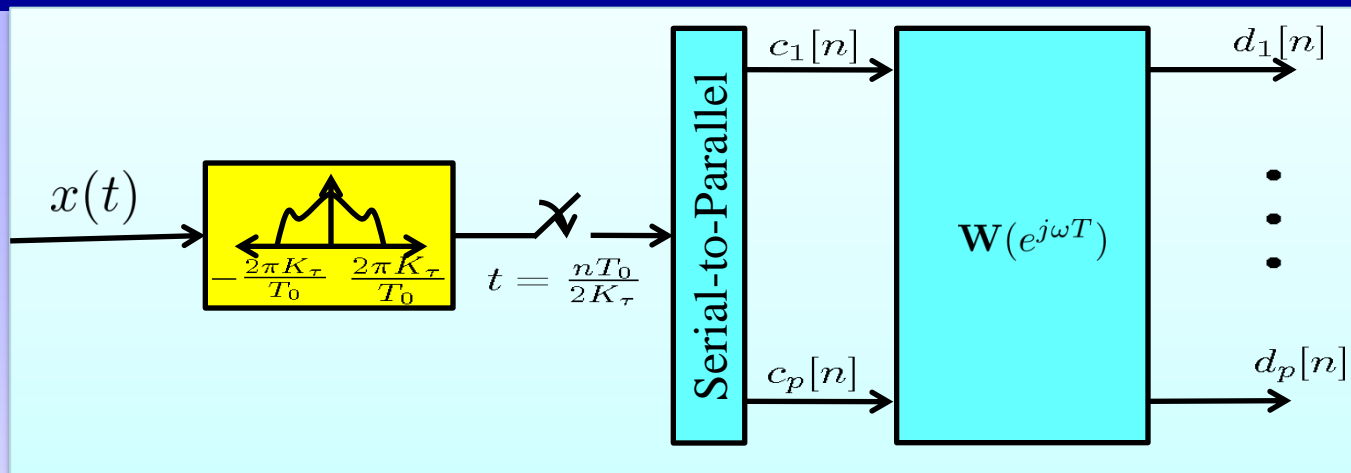


- Supports general pulse shapes (time limited)
- Operates at the rate of innovation
- Stable in the presence of noise
- Practical implementation based on the MWC
- Single pulse generator can be used

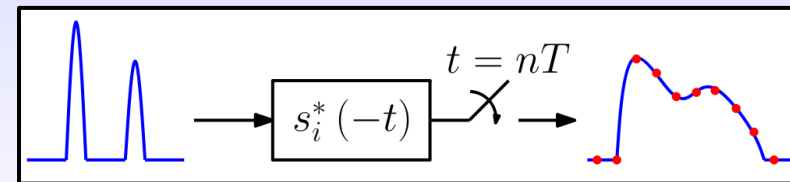
$$= \sum_k s_{il} e^{-j2\frac{\pi}{T}kt}$$

$$\mathbf{S} = [s_{il}]$$

# Filter Bank Approach



- The analog sampling filter “smoothens” the input signal : Gedalyahu and Eldar, '09
  - Allows sampling of short-length pulses at low rate
  - **CS interpretation:** each sample is a linear combination of the signal's values.



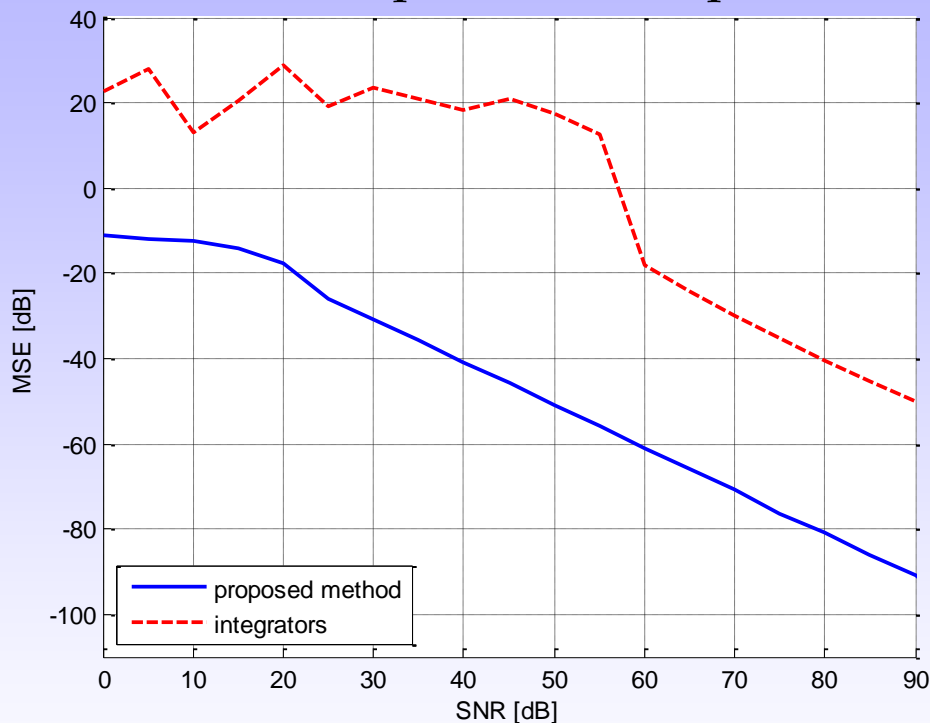
- The digital correction filter-bank:
  - Removes the pulse and sampling kernel effects
  - Samples at its output satisfy:  $\mathbf{d}[n] = \mathbf{V}(\tau_i)\mathbf{a}[n]$   $\mathbf{V}(\tau_i)$  is Vandermonde
  - The delays can be recovered using ESPRIT as long as  $W \geq 2\pi K_\tau/T_0$

# Noise Robustness

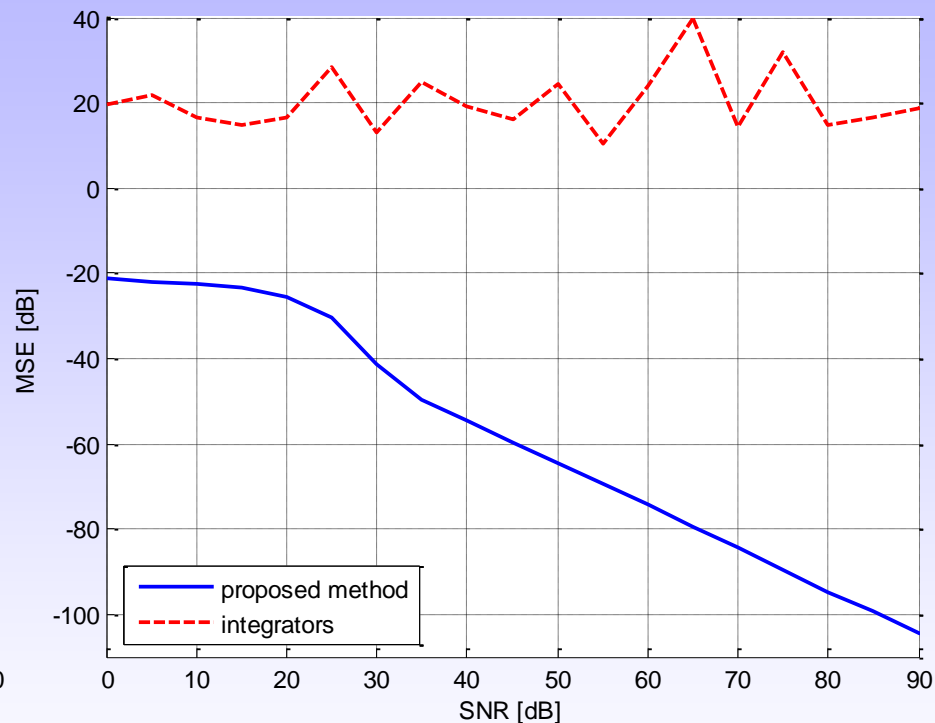
■ MSE of the delays estimation, versus integrators approach

Kusuma and Goyal, '06

$L=2$  pulses, 5 samples



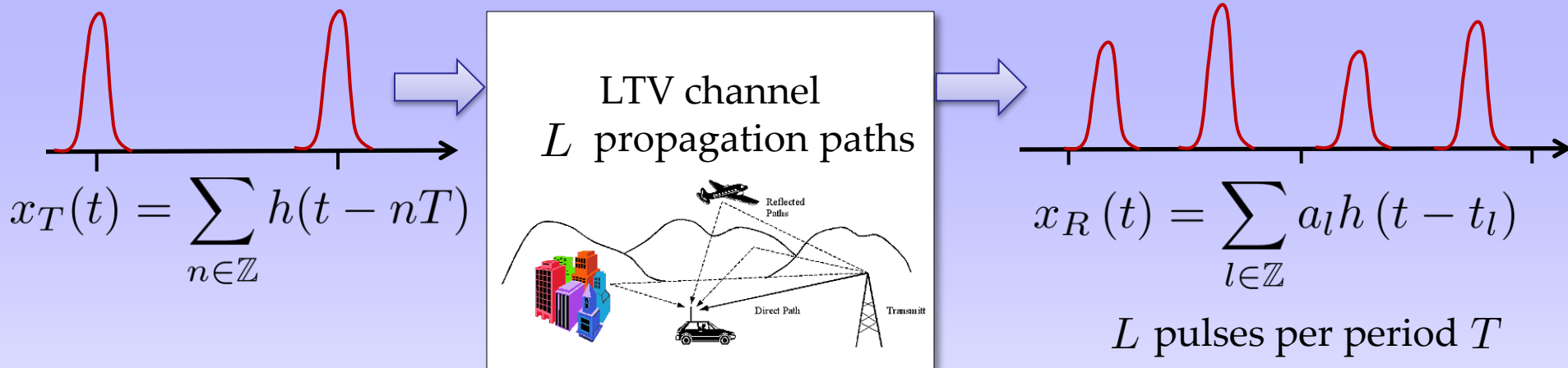
$L=10$  pulses, 21 samples



**The proposed scheme is stable even for high rates of innovation!**

# Application: Multipath Medium Identification

Gedalyahu and Eldar, '09-'10



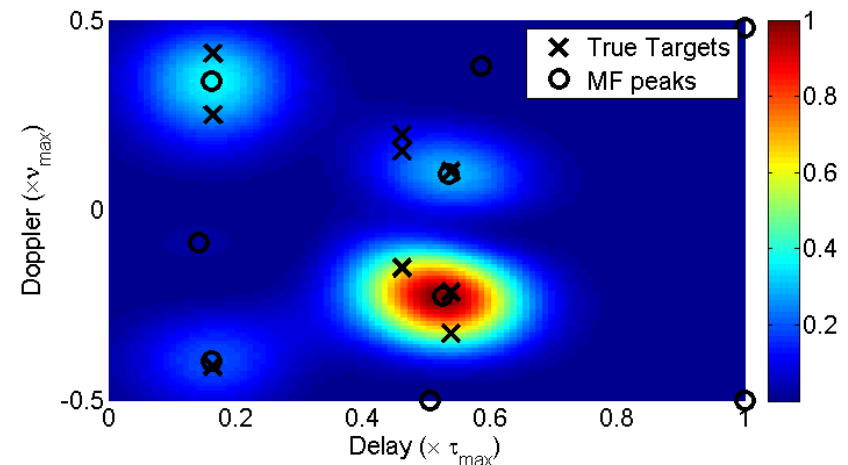
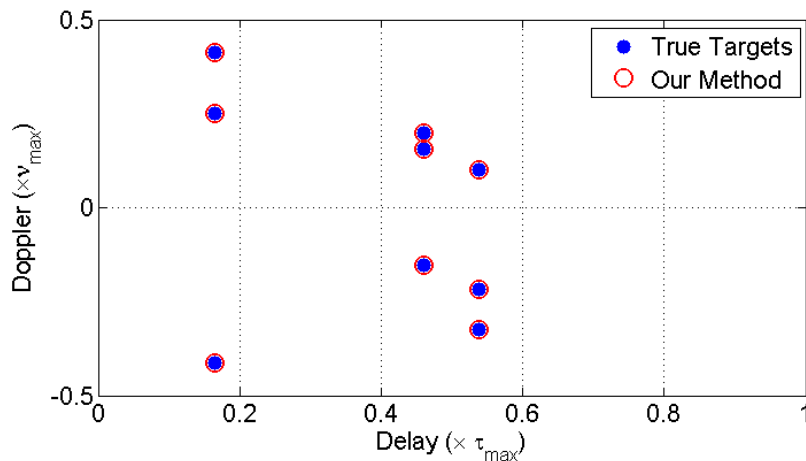
- Medium identification:
  - Recovery of the time delays
  - Recovery of time-variant gain coefficients

**The proposed method can recover the channel parameters from sub-Nyquist samples**

# Application: Radar

- Each target is defined by:
  - Range – delay
  - Velocity – doppler
- Targets can be identified with **infinite resolution** as long as the time-bandwidth product satisfies  $\mathcal{TW} \geq 2\pi(K + 1)^2$

Bajwa, Gedalyahu and Eldar, '11

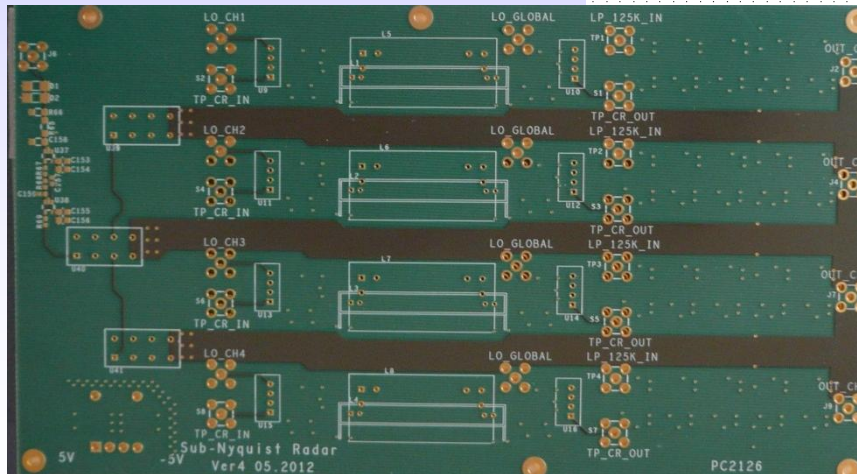
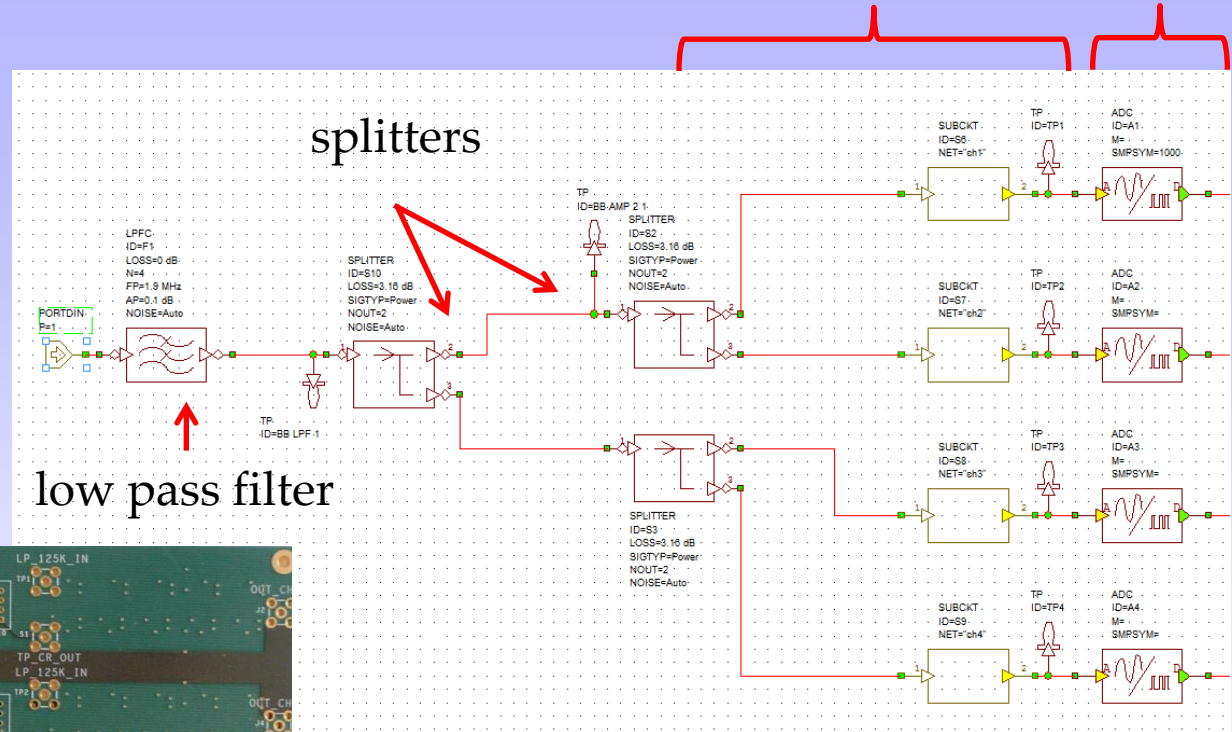
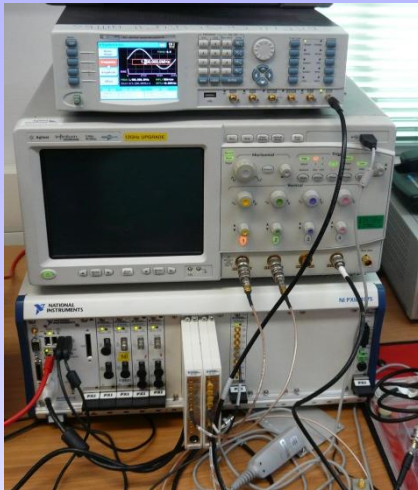




# Xampling of Radar Pulses

(Itzhak et. al. 2012 in collaboration with NI)

analog filter banks    ADCs



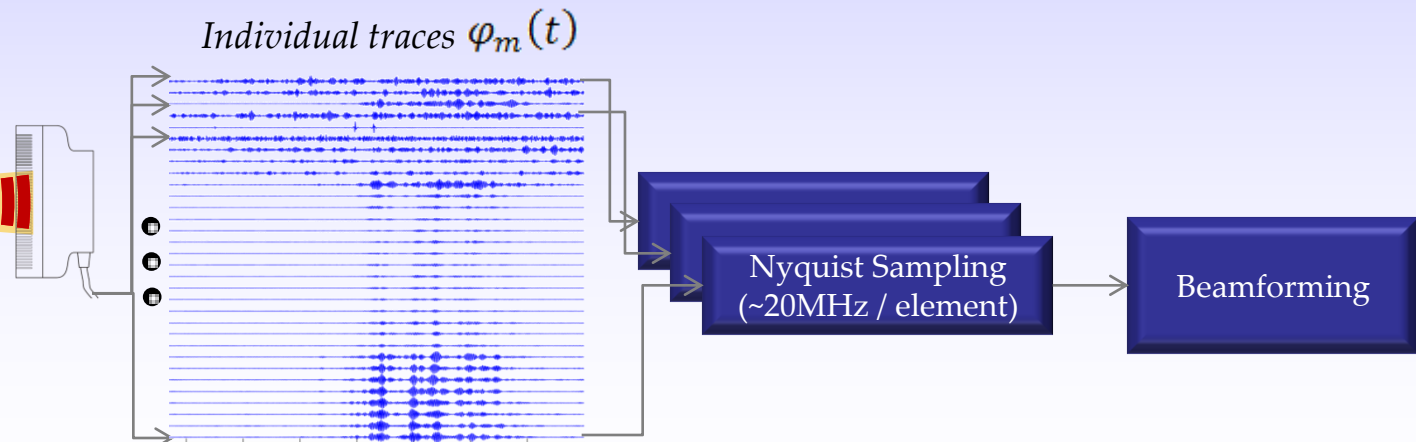
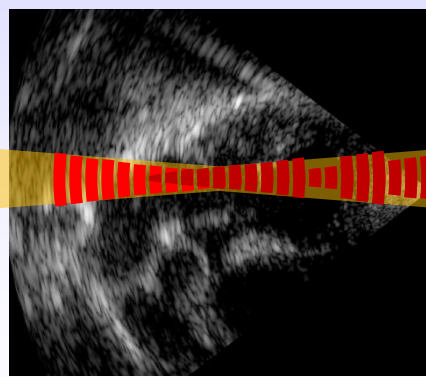
Demo of real-time radar at NI week in August



# Application to Ultrasound

Wagner, Eldar, and Friedman, '11

- Ultrasonic pulse is transmitted into the tissue
- Pulse is conducted along a relatively narrow beam
- Echoes are scattered by density and propagation-velocity perturbations
- Reflections detected by multiple array elements.
- Beamforming is applied – **digital processing**, signals must first be **sampled at Nyquist rate** ( $\sim 20\text{MHz}$ )



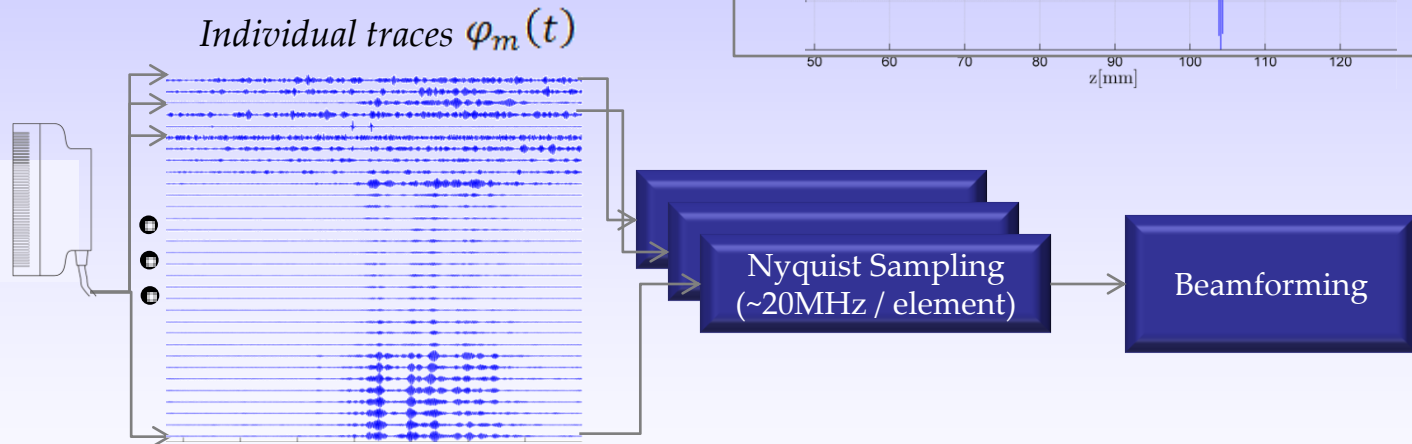
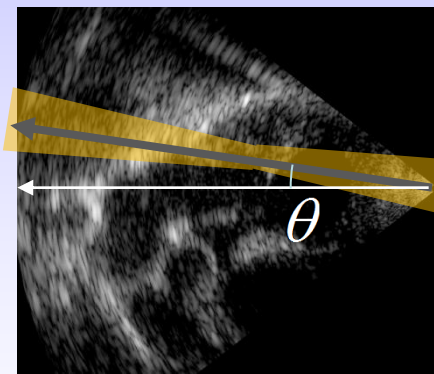
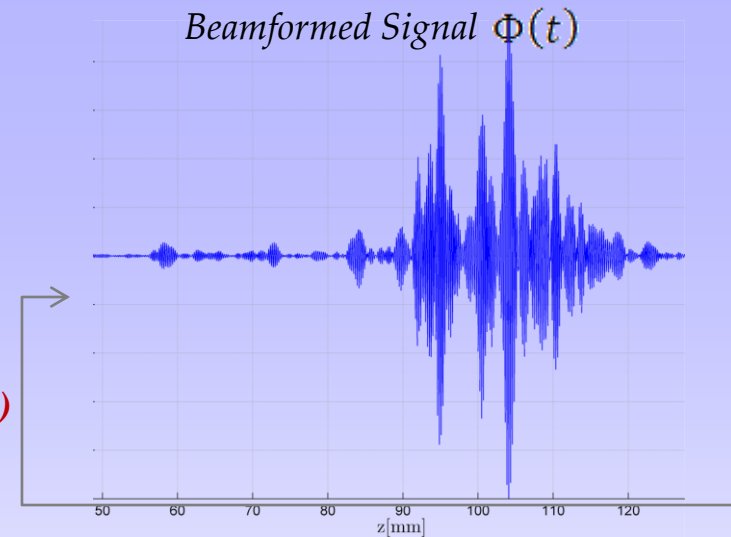
# Standard Imaging - Beamforming

Non-linear scaling of the received signals

$$\Phi(t; \theta) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M \varphi_m \left( \frac{1}{2} \left( t + \sqrt{t^2 - 4\gamma_m t \sin\theta + 4\gamma_m^2} \right) \right)$$

$\gamma_m$  - distance from  $m$ 'th element to origin, normalized by  $c$ .

Performed in the digital domain (after sampling at Nyquist-rate)

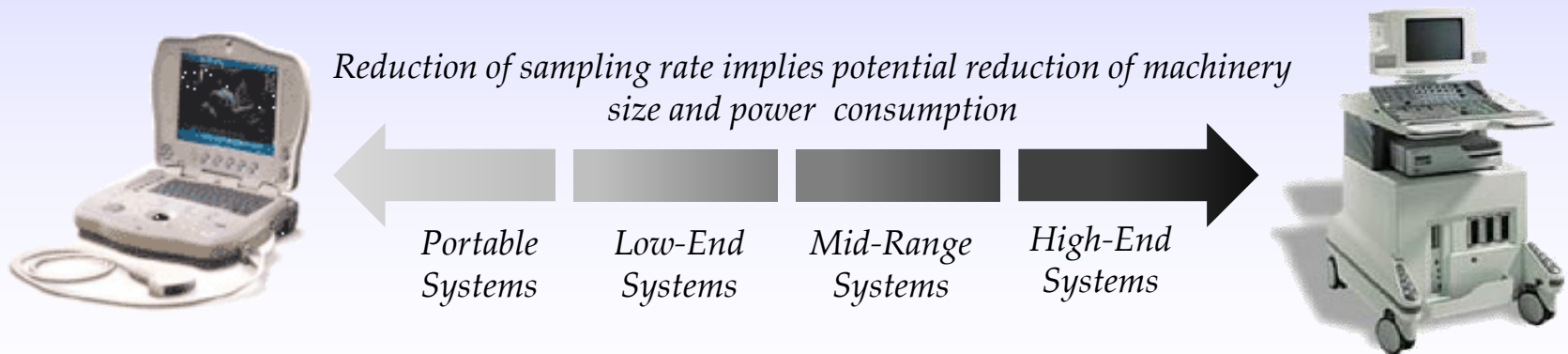


- Focusing along a certain axis – reflections originating from off-axis are attenuated (destructive interference pattern)
- SNR is improved

# Sample Rate Reduction - Motivation

- Recent developments in medical treatment typically imply increasing the number of transducer elements involved in each imaging cycle
- Amount of raw data that needs to be transmitted and processed grows significantly, effecting machinery size and power consumption
- By reducing sampling and processing rate, we may achieve significant reduction of data size - this implies **potential reduction of machinery size and power consumption**

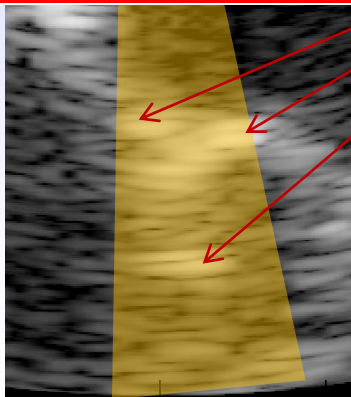
**Our Approach:  
Integrate Sampling and beamforming**



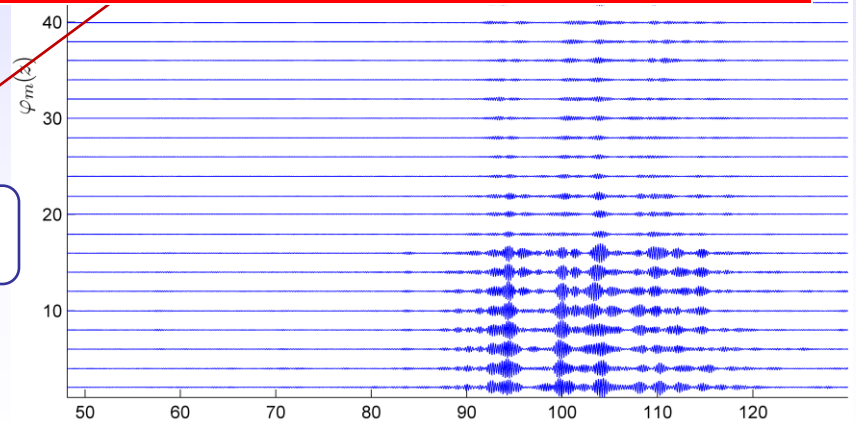
# Ultrasound and Xampling

- Possible approach (does not work in practice....): Replace Nyquist rate sampling by Xampling, then reconstruct signals and apply beamforming
- Problems:
  - **Low SNR:** erroneous parameter extraction by sub-Nyquist scheme
  - **Reflections from a relatively wide region:** complicated algorithm for matching pulses across signals
- Proposed solution - Xample the beamformed signal

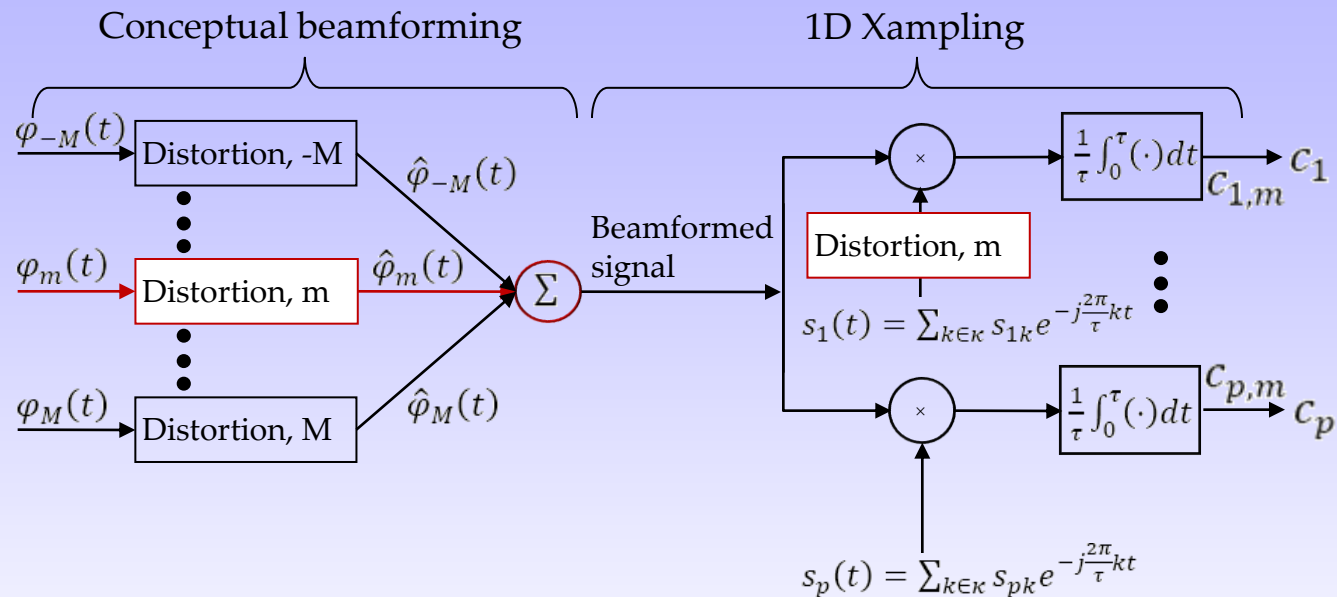
**Problem: beamformed signal may only be Xampled "conceptually" in practice – we only have access to individual receivers!**



Noise

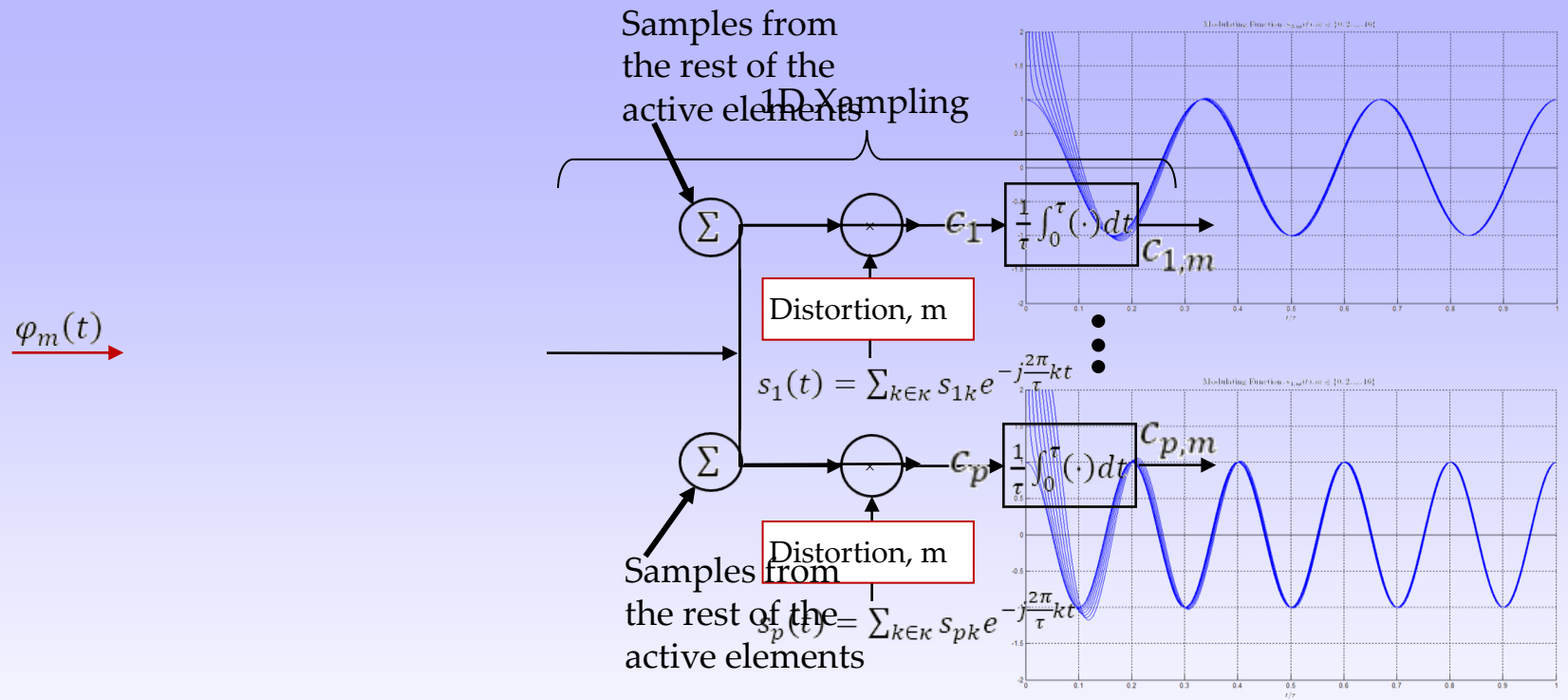


# Compressed Beamforming Scheme



- Scheme combines signals from multiple elements for SNR improvement.
- Similar to beamforming techniques used in standard ultrasound imaging.
- Here, the beamforming is moved to the compressed domain – samples at output corresponds to the beamformed signal.

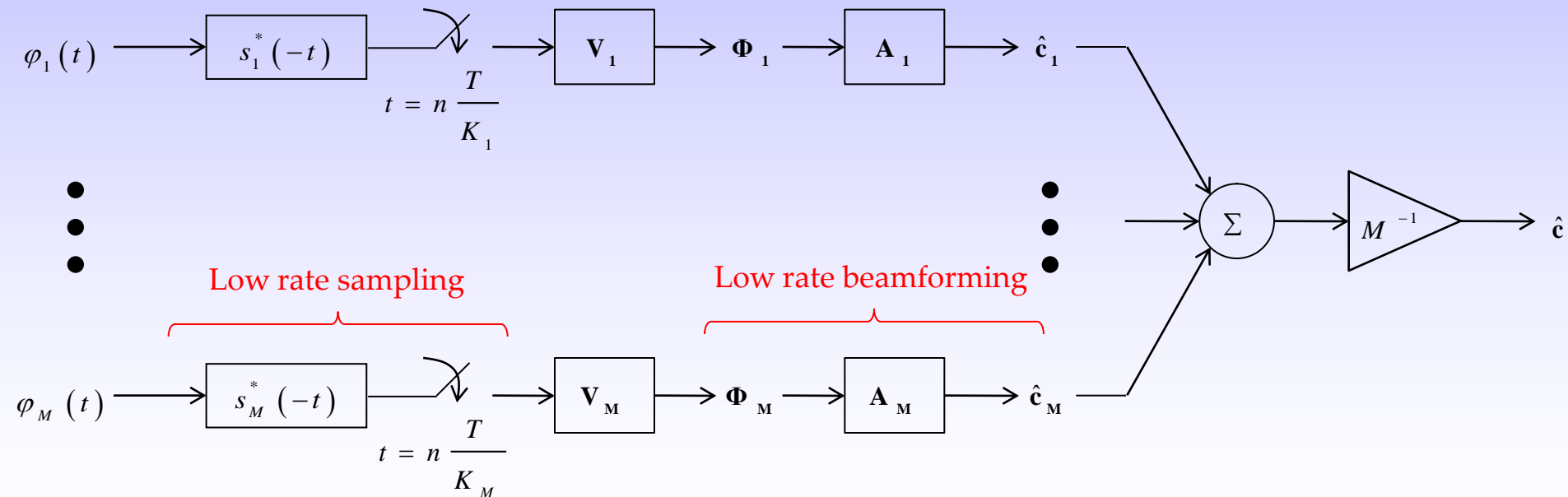
# Compressed Beamforming Scheme



*Applying receiver-dependent distortions to two of the modulating kernels*

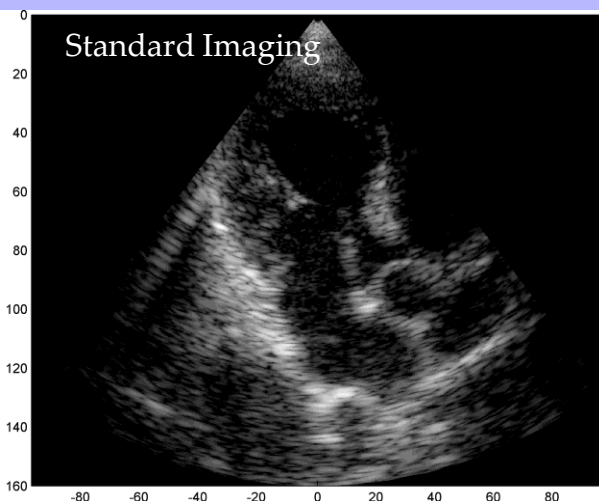
# Digital Compressed Beamforming

- Using some algebraic manipulations we can show that the same affect can be obtained digitally
- Use existing schemes to extract extended set of Fourier series coefficients (e.g. Sum of Sincs or multichannel bank) and then apply appropriate linear transform on the coefficients

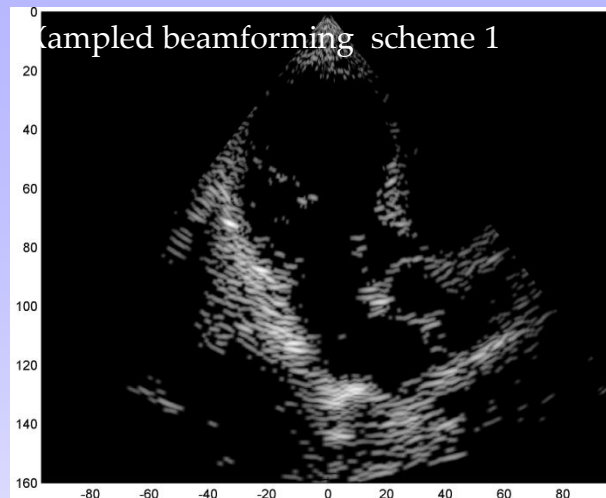




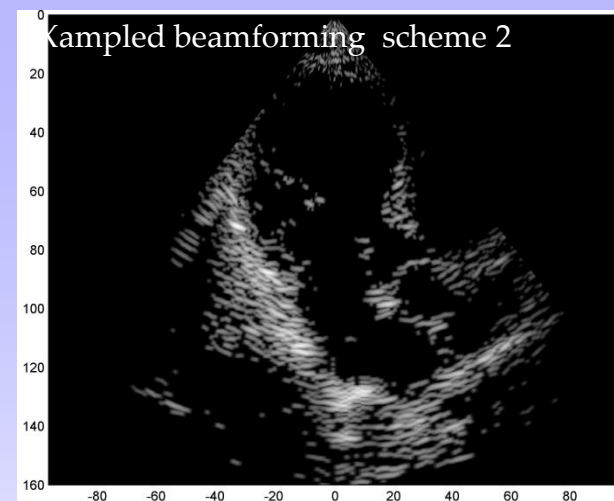
# Results



1662 real-valued samples, per sensor  
per image line



200 real-valued samples, per sensor per  
image line (assume  $L=25$  reflectors per line)



232 real-valued samples, per sensor  
per image line (average \*)

- Sampling results in an error in the peaks with standard deviation being 0.42mm.
- We obtain a more than 7-fold reduction in sample rate.

\* Applying 2nd scheme – Max. number of samples (for some line angles & sensor indexes) - 266

# Xampling Systems

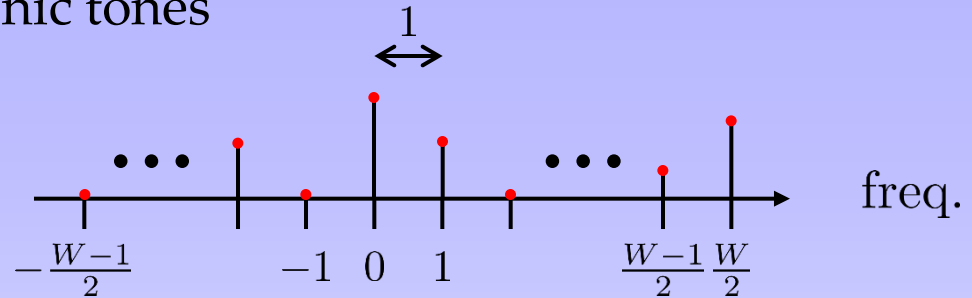
- Modulated wideband converter Mishali and Eldar, '07-'09
- Periodic nonuniform sampling (fully-blind) Mishali and Eldar, '07-'09
- Sparse shift-invariant framework Eldar, '09
- Finite rate of innovation sampling Vetterli *et al.*, '02-'07  
Dragotti *et al.*, '02-'07  
Gedalyahu, Tur and Eldar, '10-'11
- Random demodulation Tropp *et al.*, '09

# Random Demodulation

- **Model:** sparse sum of harmonic tones

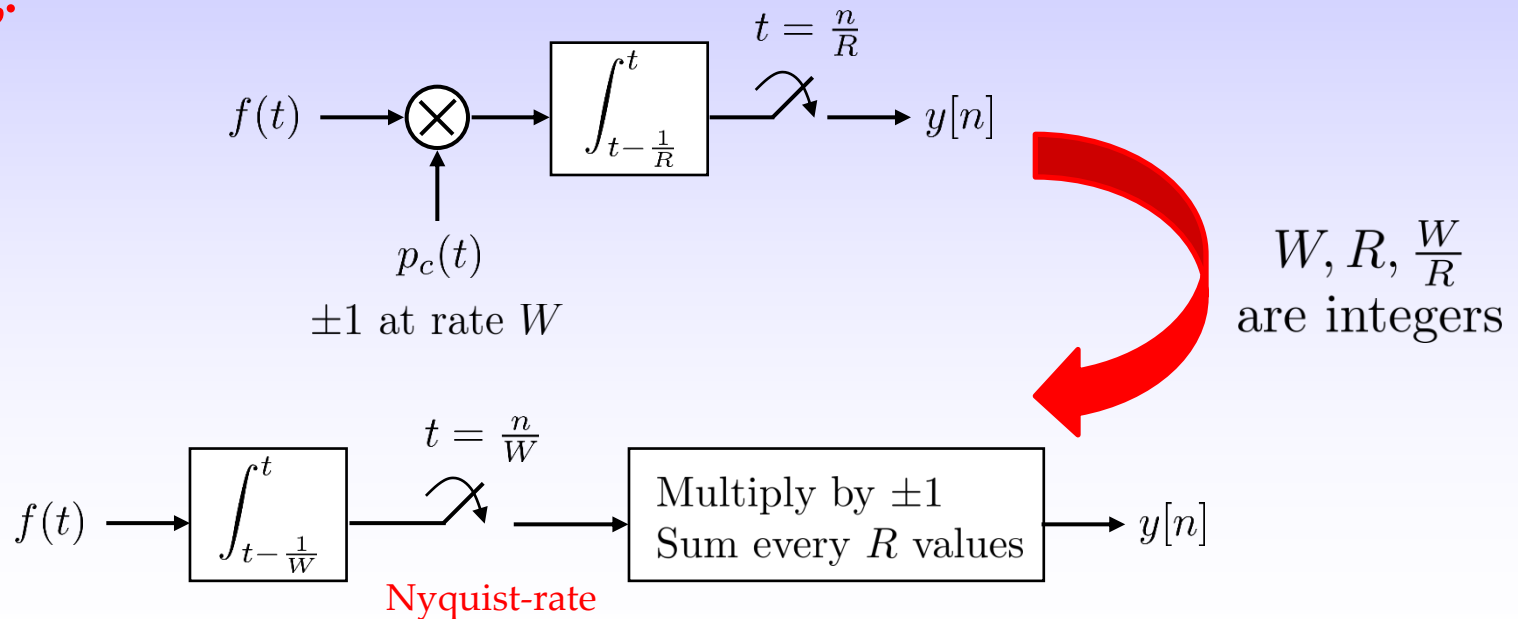
$$f(t) = \sum_{\omega \in \Omega} a_{\omega} e^{j2\pi\omega t}$$

$K$  active tones,  $|\Omega| \leq K$



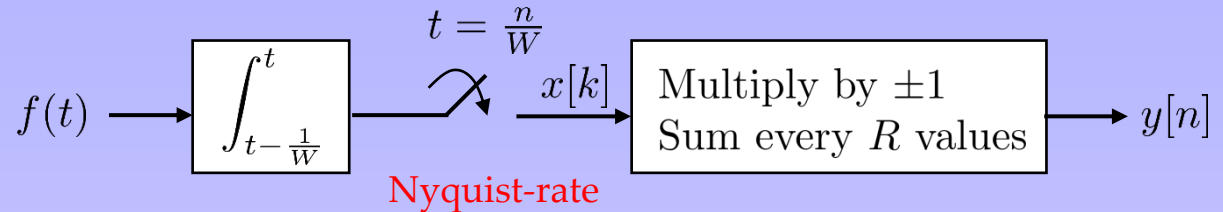
Tropp et al., '09

- **Sampling:**



# Random Demodulation

- **Reconstruction:**



- Integers  $W, R, \frac{W}{R}$  + multitone input ( $a'_\omega = c_\omega a_\omega$ ):

$$y[n] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdots 1 & & & & \\ & 1 \cdots 1 & & & \\ & & \cdots & & \\ & & & \cdots & \\ & & & & 1 \cdots 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \pm 1 & & & \\ & \ddots & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \pm 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x[1] \\ \vdots \\ x[W] \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \end{bmatrix}$$

**H**
**D**
**x F**
**a**

$\leftarrow k\text{-sparse}$

- Use CS solvers to recover  $a$ , then reconstruct  $f(t)$
- Numerical simulations: 32 kHz AM signal recovered from sampling at 10% Nyquist rate
- Similar to MWC? Next part describes the differences...

Tropp et al., '09

# Summary: Xampling Systems

Model	Union dim. $\Lambda, \mathcal{A}_\lambda$	Strategy	X-ADC	X-DSP
Multiband	finite $\infty$	MWC Mishali-Eldar 09	Periodic mixing	CTF
		PNS Mishali-Eldar 08	time shifts	CTF
		Nyquist-folding Fudge et al. 08	Jittered undersampling	
Sparse shift-invariant	finite $\infty$	Eldar 08	Filter-bank	CTF
FRI (time-delays)	$\infty$ finite	Periodic Vetterli et al. 02-05	Lowpass	Annihilating filter
		One-shot Dragotti et al. 07	Splines	Moments factoring
		Periodic/one-shot Gedlyahu-Tur-Eldar 09-10	Sum-of-Sincs filtering	Annihilating filter
Sequences of innovation	$\infty$ $\infty$	Gadlyahu-Eldar 09	Lowpass or periodic mixing + integration	MUSIC or ESPRIT
Harmonic tones	finite finite	RD Tropp et al. 09	Sign flipping + integration	CS

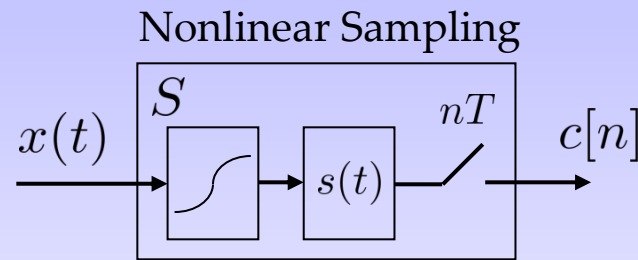
“Xampling: Signal Acquisition and Processing in Union of Subspaces”, Mishali, Eldar and Elron, *TSP* ‘11

# Nonlinear Sampling

Michaeli & Eldar, '12

- Results can be extended to include many classes of nonlinear sampling

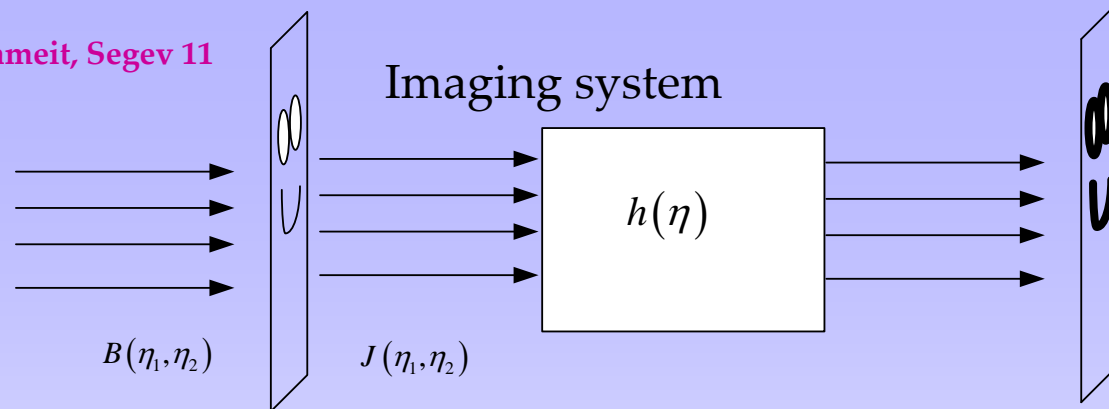
Example:



- In particular we have extended these ideas to **phase retrieval** problems where we recover signals from samples of the Fourier transform magnitude (Candes et. al., Szameit et. al., Shechtman et. al.)
- Many applications in optics: recovery from partially coherent light, crystallography, subwavelength imaging and more

# Quadratic Measurements in Optics

Shechtman, Eldar, Szameit, Segev 11



Field at object plane:  $A(\eta)$

Intensity at image plane:  $I(u)$

■ Input/output relation: 
$$I(u) = \iint h(u - \eta_1) h^*(u - \eta_2) A(\eta_1) A^*(\eta_2) B(|\eta_1 - \eta_2|) d\eta_1 d\eta_2$$

■ Coherence of light is expressed by the mutual coherence function:

$$B(\eta_1, \eta_2) := \left\langle u(\eta_1, t) u^*(\eta_2, t) \right\rangle \Big|_{z=0^-}$$

■ For “fully coherent” light ( $\sim$  Laser) :  $B(\eta_1, \eta_2) := 1$

■ For “fully incoherent” light ( $\sim$  Sun) :  $B(\eta_1, \eta_2) := \delta(\eta_1, \eta_2)$

■ The interesting part is in between!

# Semi-Definite Relaxation

$$\min_a \|a\|_0 \quad \text{subject to } |a^* M_u a - y_u| \leq \epsilon$$

- Define a matrix  $X := a a^*$
- Look for  $X$  that is:
  - Rank 1
  - Row sparse
  - Consistent with the measurements
  - PSD

$$\operatorname{argmin}_X \operatorname{Rank}(X) \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$\sum_a \left( \sum_b X_{ab}^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \zeta$$

$$|\operatorname{tr}(M_u X) - y_u| \leq \epsilon \quad \forall u \in U$$

$$X \geq 0$$

Fazel, Hindi, Boyd 03

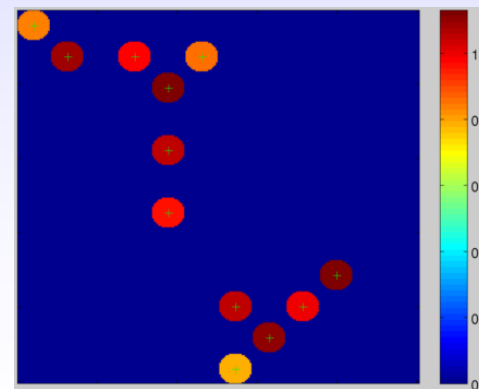
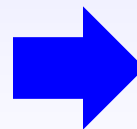
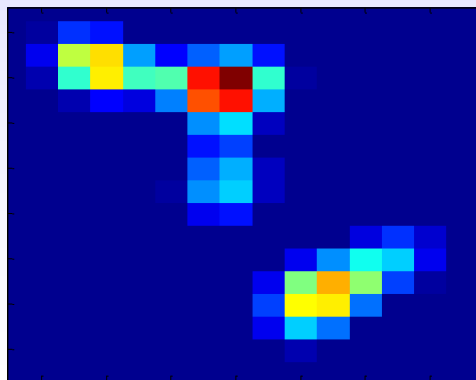
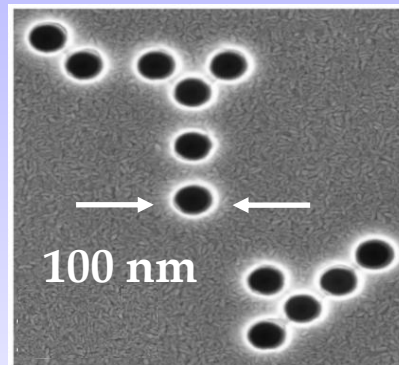
- In practice we replace  $\operatorname{Rank}(X)$  with  $\log \det(X + bI)$  and solve iteratively
- Can generalize the approach to more general nonlinearities and use efficient greedy methods (*Beck and Eldar 2012*)



# Phase Retrieval

Szameit *et al.*, *Nature Photonics*, '12

- Subwavelength Coherent Diffractive Imaging:  
Sub-wavelength image recovery from highly truncated Fourier spectrum
- Quadratic CS: based on SDP-relaxation and log-det approximation



**– Part 5 –**  
**From Theory to Hardware**

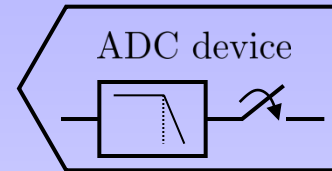
→ Outline

# Theory vs. Practice

- Practical considerations affect the choice of a sampling solution

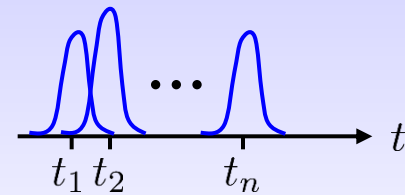
- Example 1: Multiband sampling (known carriers  $f_i$ )

	RF demodulation	Nonuniform methods
Minimal analog preprocessing		✓
ADC with low analog bandwidth	✓	

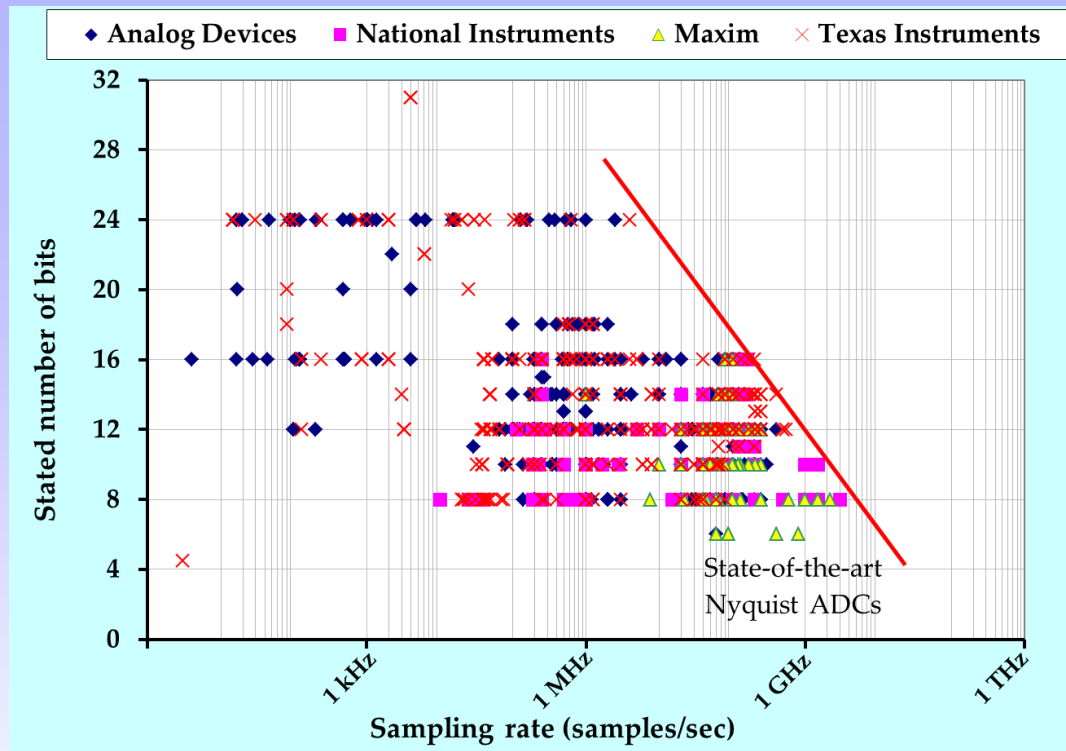


- Example 1: Pulse streams (known delays  $t_n$ )

	$s_n(t) = h(t - t_n)$	Digital match filter
Low sampling rate	✓	
Robustness to model mismatch		✓



# ADC Market



- State-of-the-art ADCs generate Nyquist samples
- Today's challenges:
  - Increase sampling rate (Giga-samples/sec)
  - Increase front-end bandwidth
  - Increase (effective) number of bits

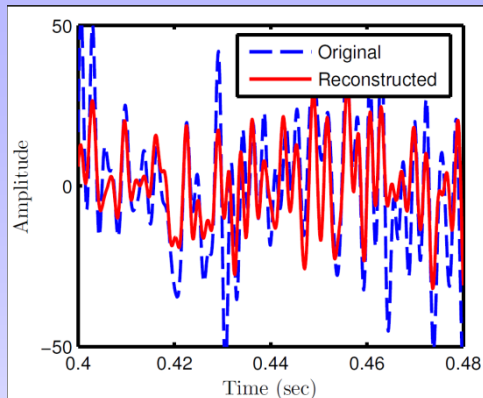
# Sub-Nyquist: Practical Challenges

- Goal: Shift  $f_{\max}$  challenge away from ADC technology
- No free lunches ! Signal has frequencies until  $f_{\max}$
- Nyquist will enter elsewhere into system design
- Practical design metrics:
  - robustness to model mismatches
  - flexible hardware design
  - light computational loads
  - imaging: high resolution
  - noise performance
  - power, area, size, cost, ...
- Next slides:
  - Study practical metrics of example sub-Nyquist systems (RD/MWC)
  - Glance into sub-Nyquist circuit challenges
  - Sub-Nyquist imaging: analog vs. discrete CS

Focus of this part

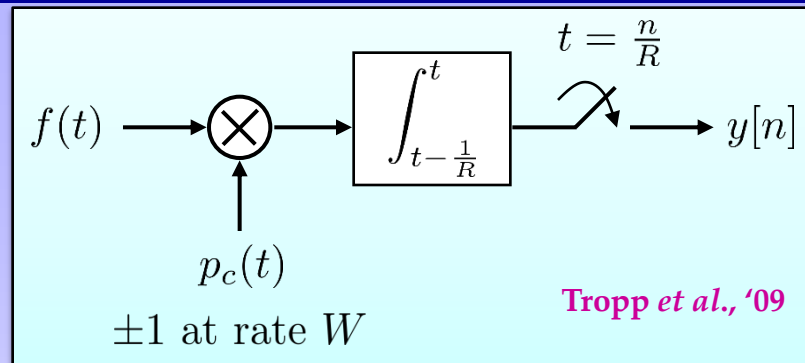
# Random Demodulator

## Robustness:



0.005% grid mismatch

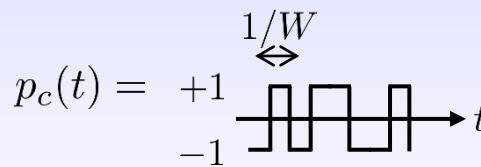
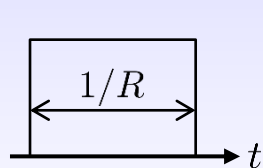
$$\frac{\|f(t) - \hat{f}(t)\|^2}{\|f(t)\|^2} = 37\%$$



→  $W, R$  must be integer multiples of tones grid spacing

## Required hardware accuracy (so that $y = \text{HDFa}$ ):

Accurate integrator:



“Nice”  
time-domain  
appearance

## Computational load: $W = 1\text{MHz} \rightarrow$ CS on 1 million unknowns

## Reported hardware: $W = 800\text{ kHz}, R = 100\text{ kHz}$ DSP processor 160 MHz

*Ragheb et al., '08*

*Yu et al., '10*

# Modulated Wideband Converter

- Robustness:**

$$m \geq 2N, \quad 1/T_p \geq B \quad (\text{basic setup})$$

Inequalities allow model mismatches

- Required hardware accuracy:**

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p_i(t) = \text{periodic waveforms} \\ h(t) = \text{lowpass} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{“Nice”} \\ \text{freq.-domain} \\ \text{appearance} \end{array}$$

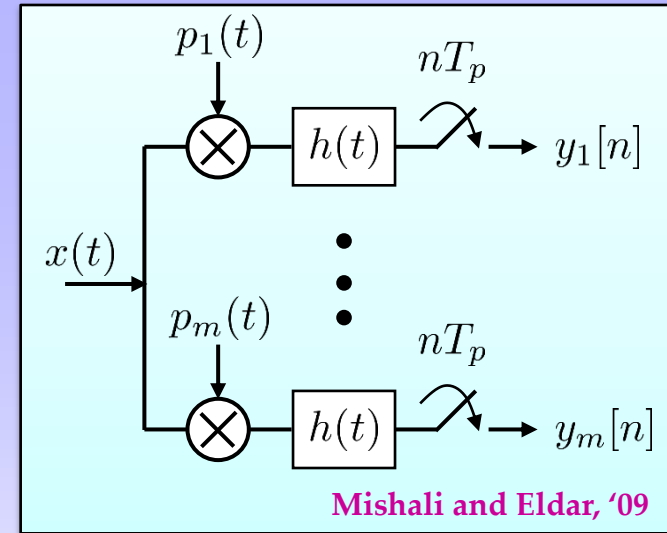
Nonideal lowpass response can be compensated digitally

- Computational load:**  $f_{\text{NYQ}} = 5 \text{ GHz}$ ,  $N = 6$ ,  $B = 50 \text{ MHz}$

CS system size:  $40 \times 200$

linear real-time reconstruction

- Reported hardware:**  $f_{\text{NYQ}} = 2.2 \text{ GHz}$ , sampling rate 280 MHz  
10msec recovery (on PC-MATLAB)



Chen et al., '10

Mishali et al., '11

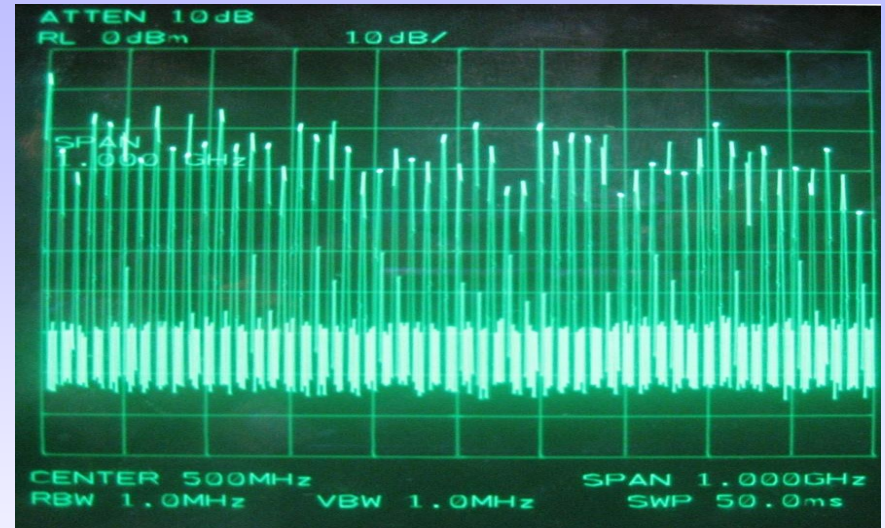
# Hardware Accuracy

- Sign alternating functions at 2 GHz rate

Time appearance



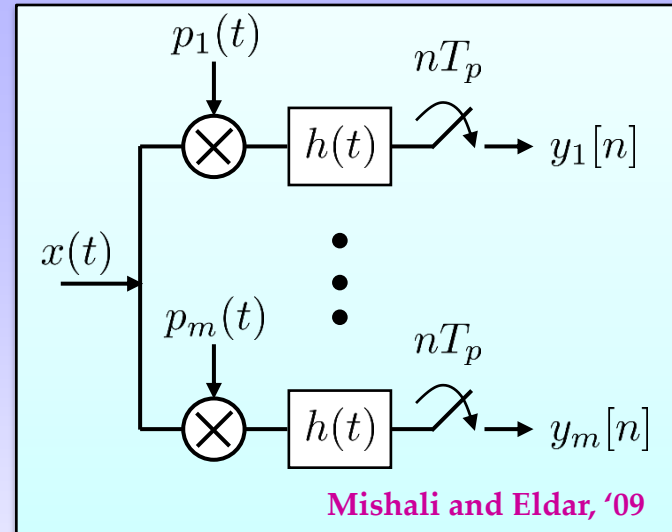
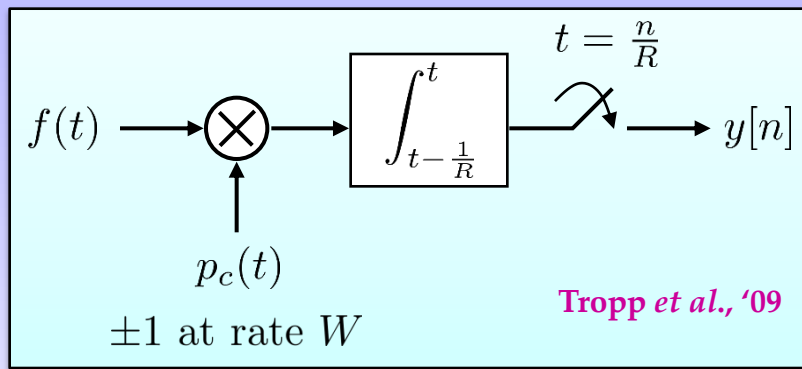
Frequency appearance





# Comparison

- Visually-similar systems – major differences in practical metrics



- No free lunches... Nyquist enters in:

- Time-domain accuracy
  - Computational loads
  - Similar conclusions in other applications?
- Freq.-domain accuracy (handled by RF front-end)

# CS Radar

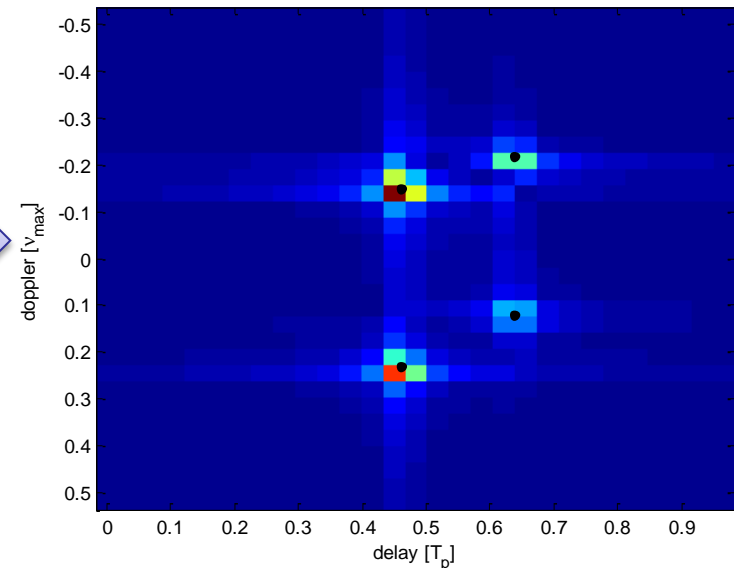
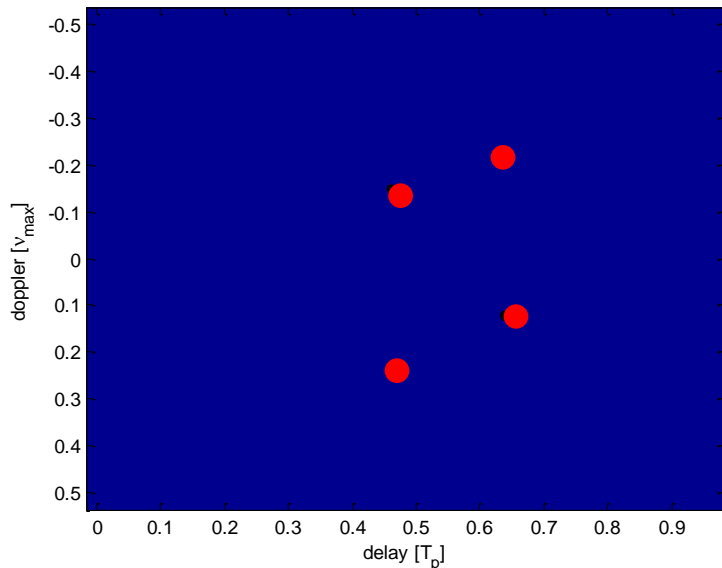
- A discrete version of the channel is being estimated
- Leakage effect → fake targets

**Real channel**

$$C(\tau, \nu) = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k \delta(\tau - \tau_k) \delta(\nu - \nu_k)$$

**Discretized channel**

$$C(\ell, m) = \sum_{k=1}^K \alpha_k e^{j\pi(m - \mathcal{T}\nu_k)} \text{sinc}(m - \mathcal{T}\nu_k) \text{sinc}(\ell - \mathcal{W}\tau_k)$$



- Limited resolution to  $1/\mathcal{W}$ ,  $1/\mathcal{T}$
- Sampling process in hardware is unclear
- Digital processing is complex and expensive

# ADCs: Why Not Standard CS?

- CS is for finite dimensional models ( $y=Ax$ )
- Loss in resolution when discretizing
- Sensitivity to grid, analog bandwidth issues
- Is not able to exploit structure in analog signals
- Results in large computation on the digital side
- Samples do not typically interface with standard processing methods

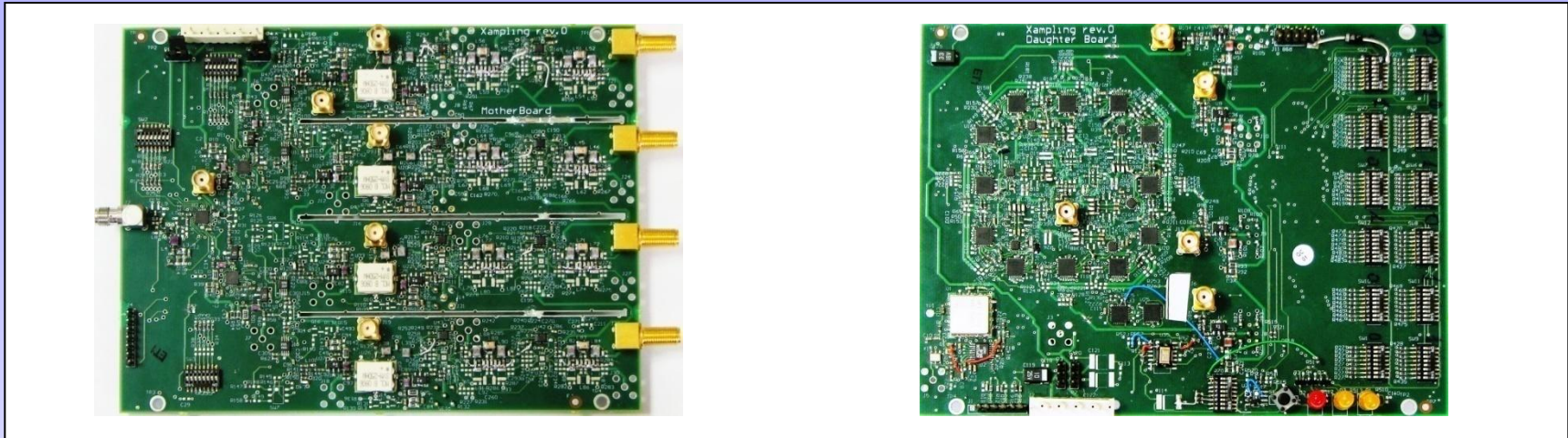
More details in: M. Mishali, Y. C. Eldar, and A. Elron, "Xampling: Signal acquisition and processing in union of subspaces"

**Besides union models and Xampling there are many more challenges !**

# Stepping CS to Practice

- Address wideband noise and dynamic range:
  - Since  $x$  is noisy:  $y=A(x+e)+w$ ,  $e$ =wideband noise
  - MWC/PNS: Nyquist-bandwidth noise is aliased
  - RD: noise is folded from all possible tone locations
  - Large interference will swamp ADC
- Integrate into existing systems
  - Minimal (preferably no) modification to hardware
  - *e.g.*, reprogramming firmware, rewiring, etc.
  - Deal with large analog BW and wide dynamic range
- Prove cost-effective
  - Rate is only one factor ! Digital complexity is not less important
  - Improve effective number of bits / Xample
- **Next slides:** quick glance at circuit challenges + applications

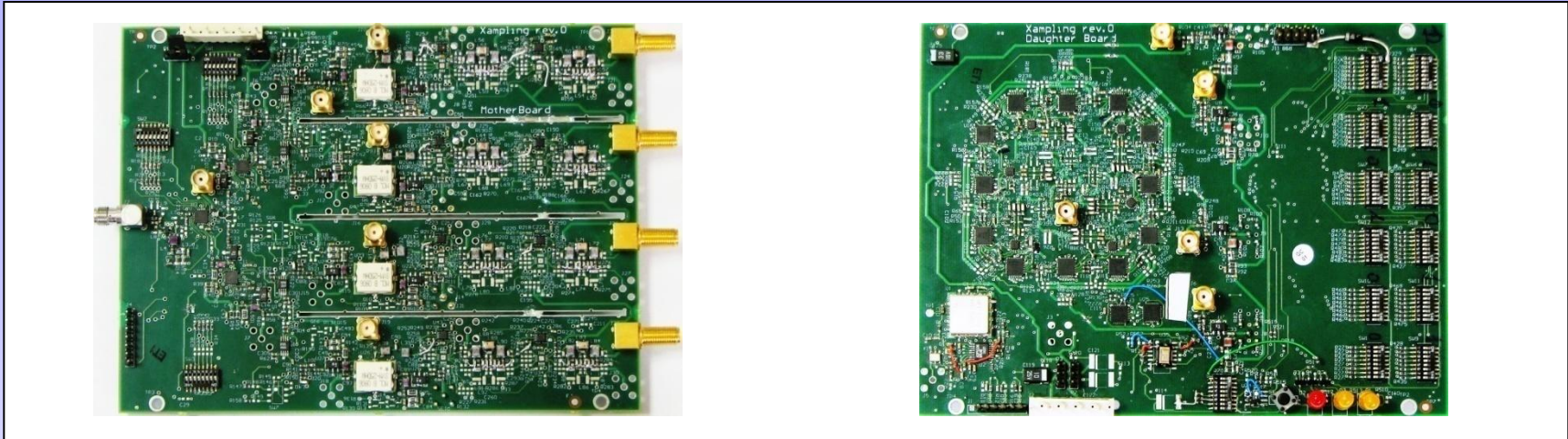
# A 2.4 GHz Prototype



- 2.3 GHz Nyquist-rate, 120 MHz occupancy
- 280 MHz sampling rate
- Wideband receiver mode:
  - 49 dB dynamic range
  - SNDR > 30 dB over all input range
- ADC mode:
  - 1.2 volt peak-to-peak full-scale
  - 42 dB SNDR = 6.7 ENOB
- Off-the-shelf devices, ~5k\$, standard PCB production

Mishali and Eldar, '08-10

# Circuit Design (2)



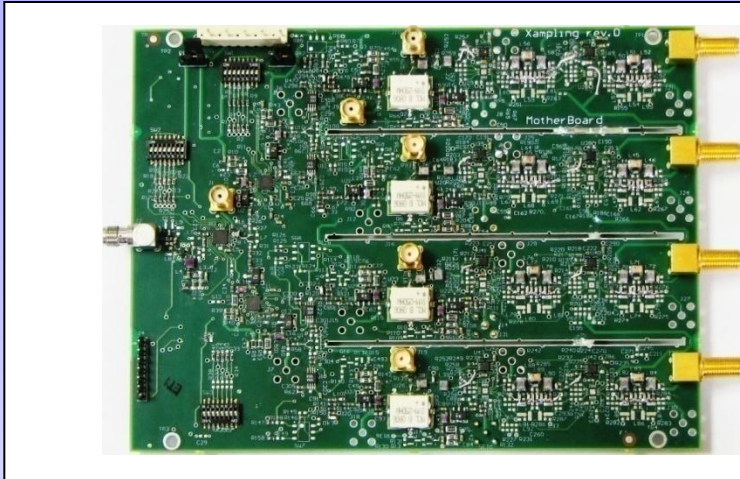
## ■ Analog board

- $m=4$  channels
- 1:4 Split + mixing + filtering
- Filter cutoff 33 MHz
- Sampling rate 70 MHz per channel (scope)

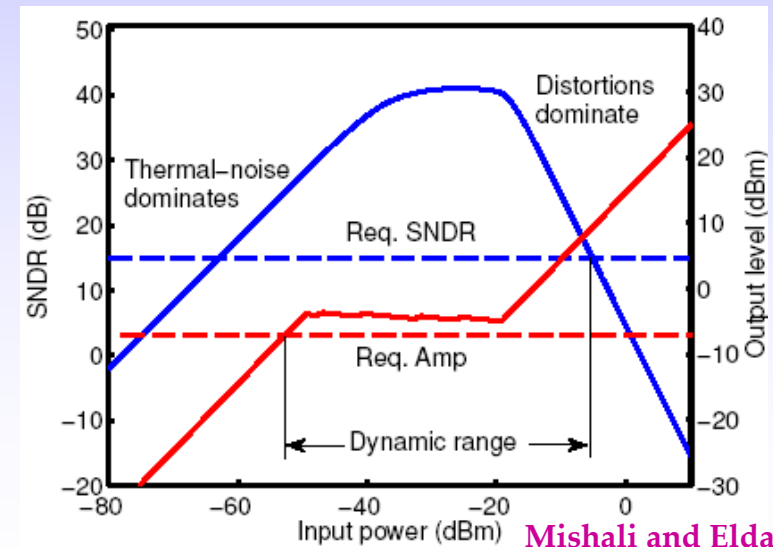
## ■ Digital board: sign alternating sequences

- 2.075 GHz VCO
- Discrete ECL shift-register
- $M=108$  bits
- 4 Outputs (taps of the register)

# Circuit Design (3)

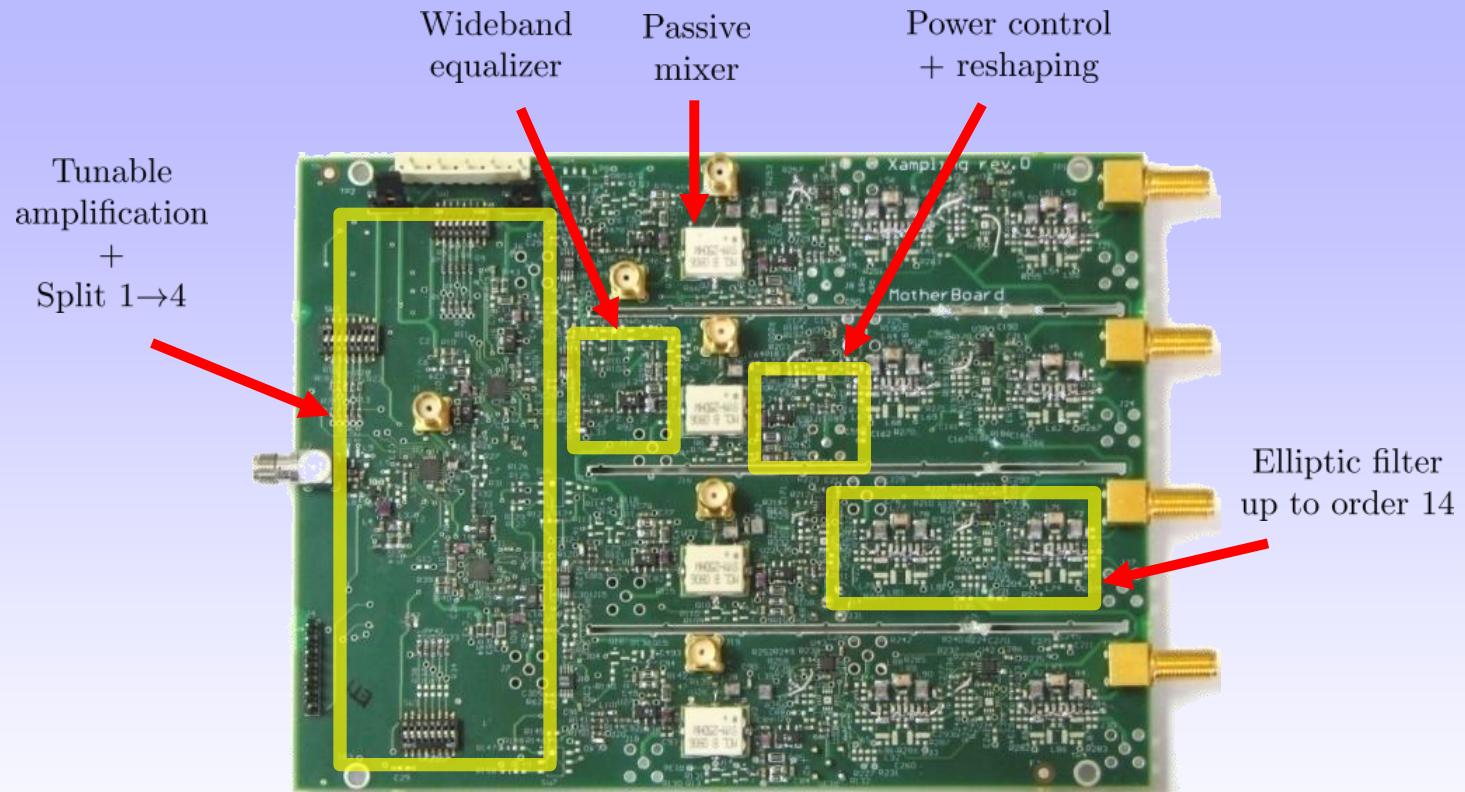


- Wideband receiver mode:
  - Gain control on the input
  - Design specifications:
    - Power out  $> -7$  dBm
    - SNDR  $> 30$  dB
    - over all input range
  - Gives 49 dB dynamic range



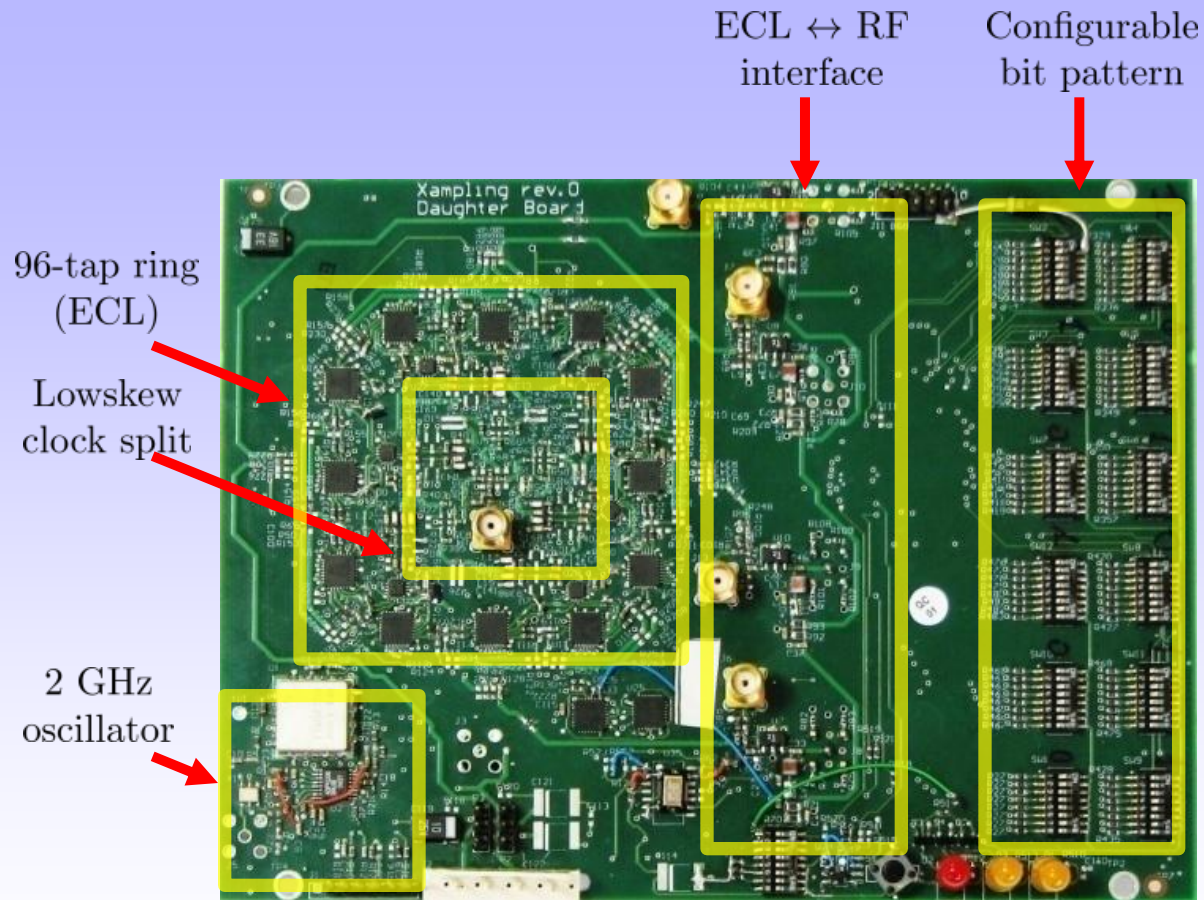
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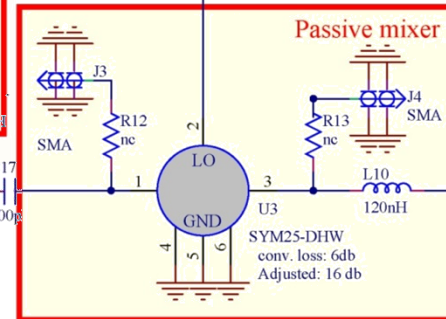
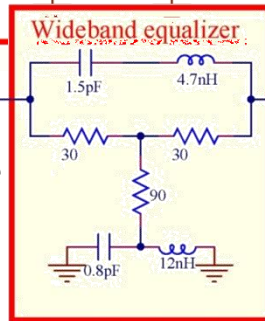
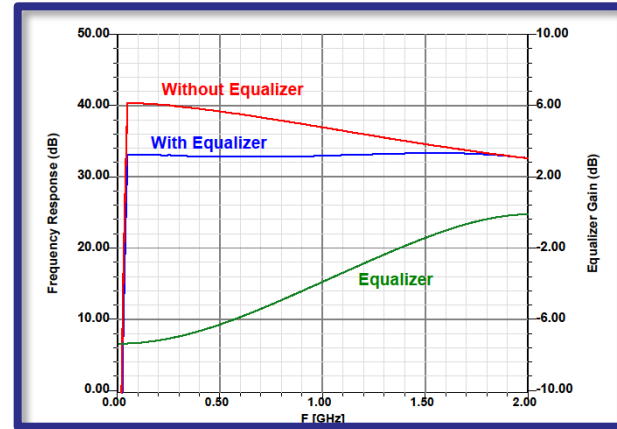
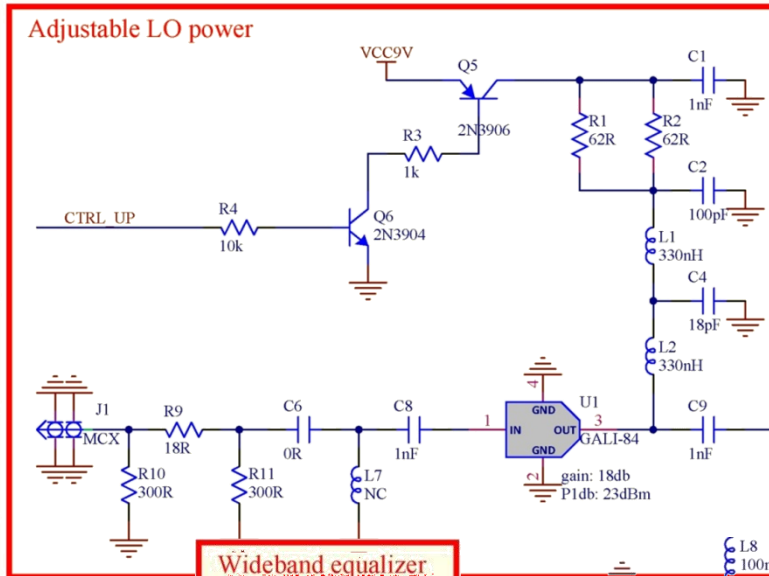


# Digital Design



# Mixing with Periodic Functions

Fine biasing due to sinusoids power split



Cannot equalize entire path

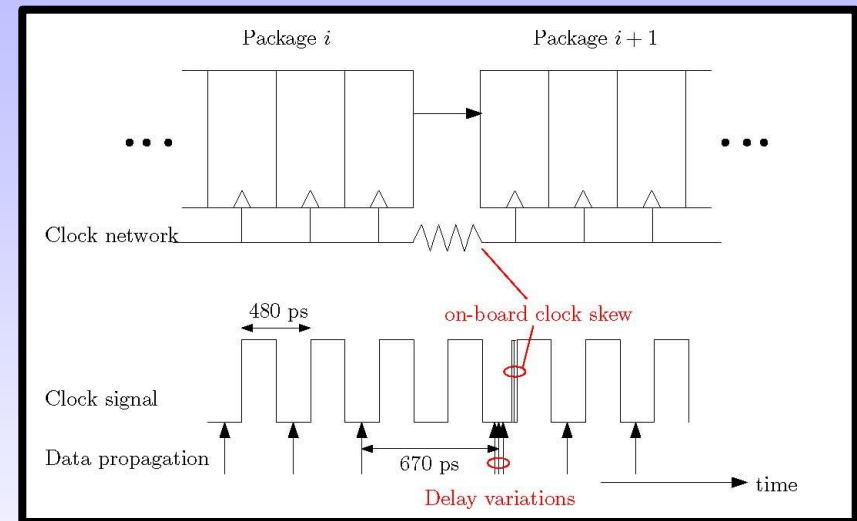
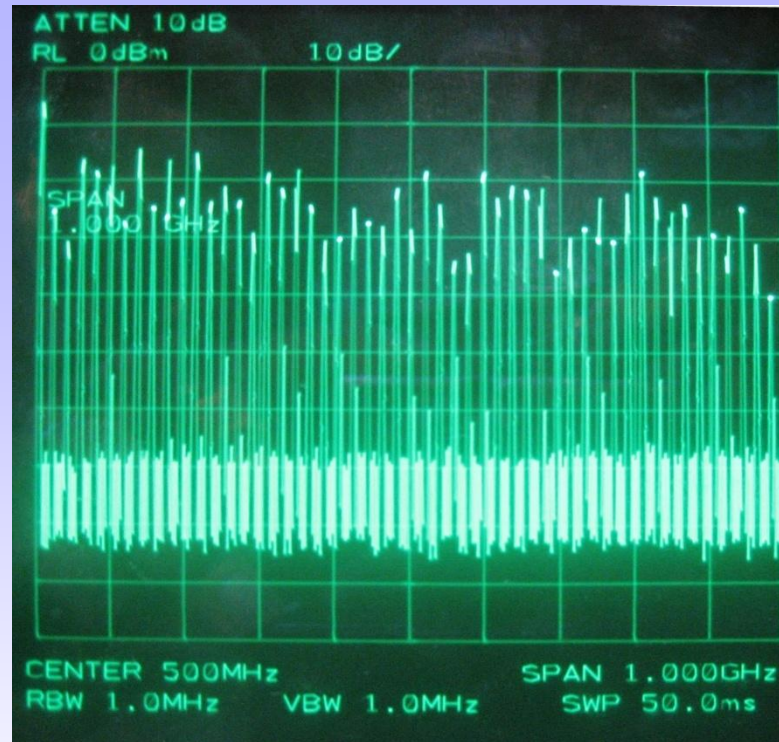
$$\left( \prod H_i(f) \right) \prod G_k(f - f_c)$$

support wideband LO

Datasheet specifications are for single LO mixing  
(conversion loss, IP3, required power) !

Mishali et al., '10

# Highly-Transient Periodic Waveforms

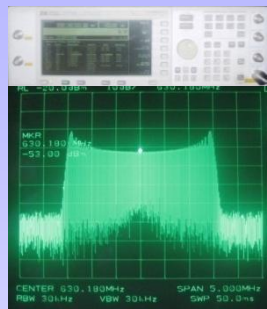


- We selected the sign pattern which gives about the same harmonic levels
- Tap locations: 5<sup>th</sup> bit in every consecutive 24 bits (layout considerations only)

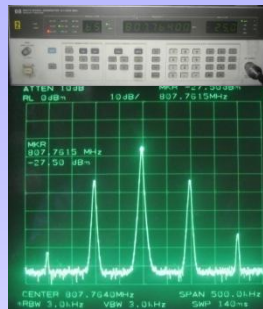
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# Sub-Nyquist Demonstration

Carrier frequencies are chosen to create overlaid aliasing at baseband



FM @ 631.2 MHz



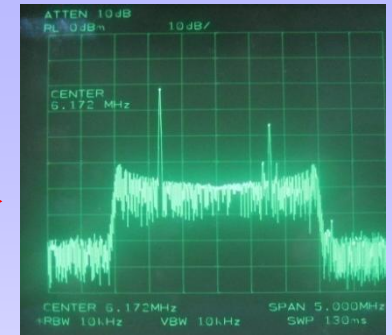
AM @ 807.8 MHz



Sine @ 981.9 MHz

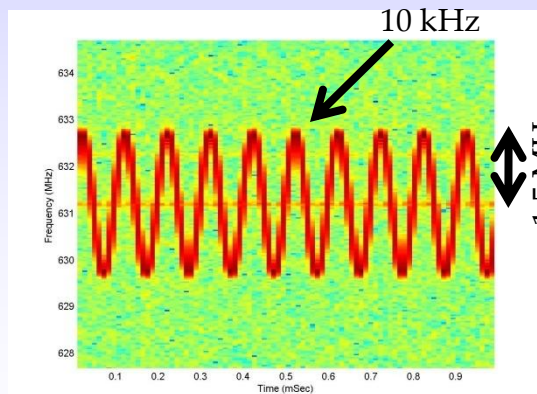


MWC prototype

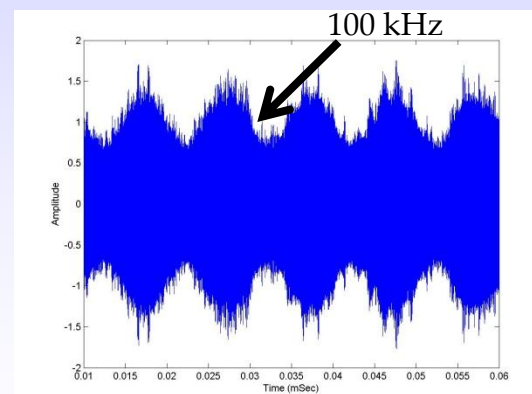


aliasing around 6.171 MHz

Reconstruction  
(CTF)

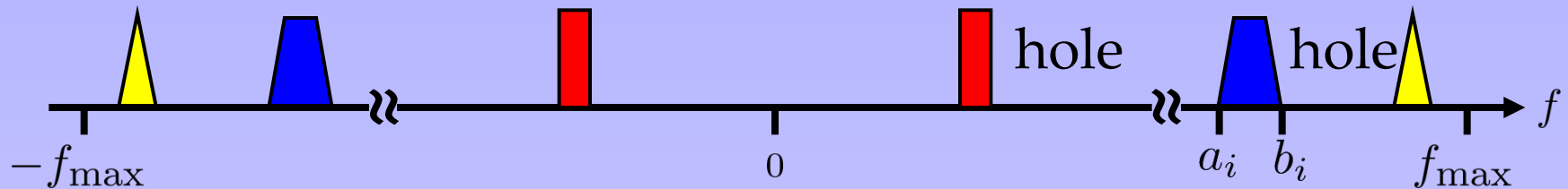


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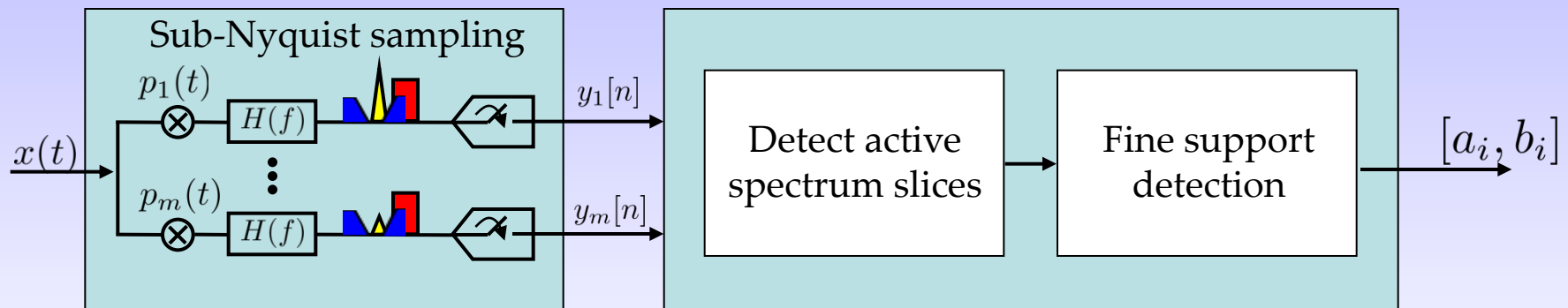


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# Application: Cognitive Radio



## Xampling for Spectrum Sensing



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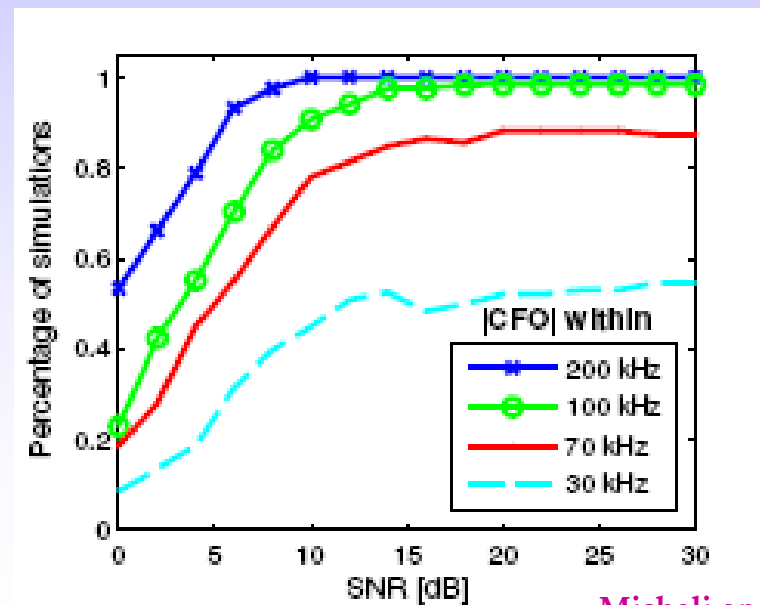
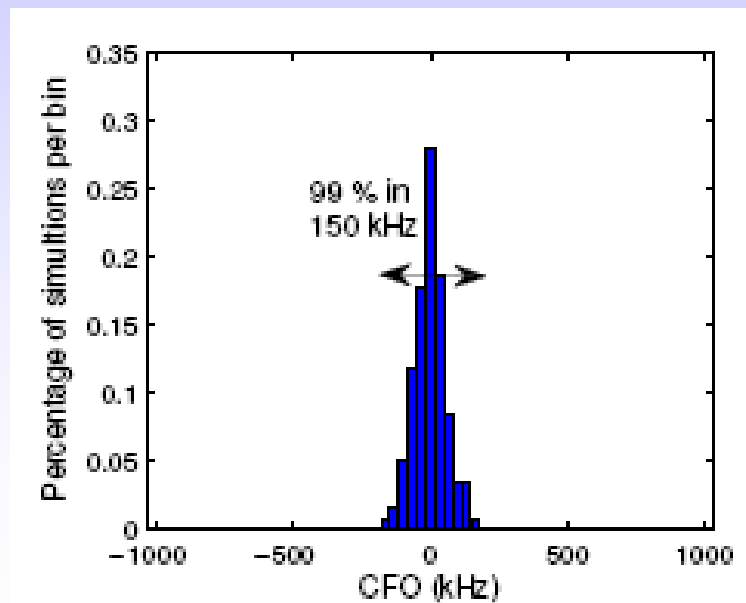


$m = 4$  channels, sampling rate = 70 MHz/channel  
Covers 2 GHz spectrum bandwidth  
Holes detection up to tens of kHz resolution

Mishali and Eldar, '11

# Simulations

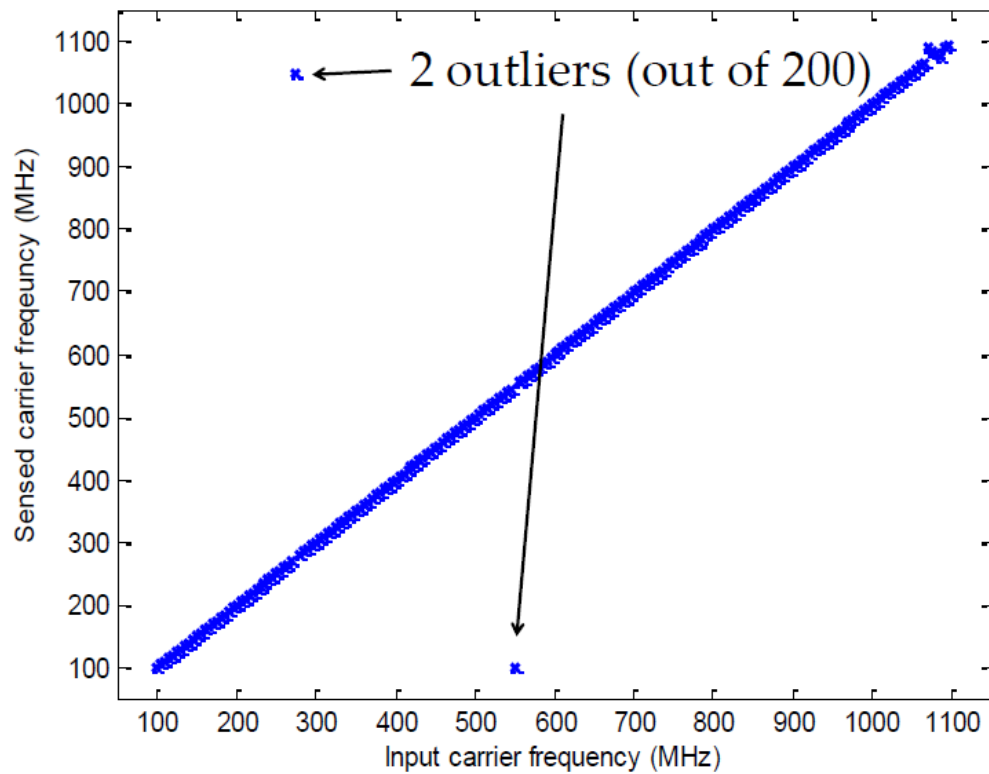
- 3 QPSK transmissions, Symbol rate = 30 MHz,  $f_{\max} = 5$  GHz
- Quality measure, CFO = Carrier frequency offset
- Satisfies IEEE 802.11 40ppm specifications of standard transmissions around 3.75 GHz



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# Experiments

Spectrum sensing + carrier recovery  
of a single sinusoid transmission



# Take-Home Message

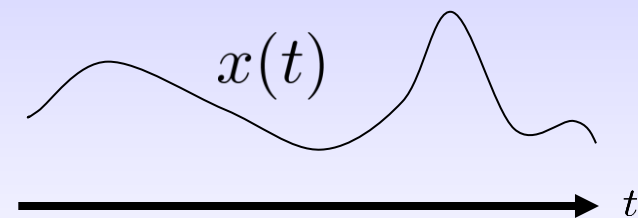
Compressed sensing uses finite models



Xampling works for analog signals

Compression      Sampling

The diagram shows the word 'Xampling' in a dark blue box. Below it, the words 'Compression' and 'Sampling' are written. An upward-pointing arrow is positioned under 'Compression', and an L-shaped arrow (pointing up and then right) is positioned under 'Sampling', both pointing towards the 'Xampling' box.



Must combine ideas from Sampling theory and algorithms from CS

- CS+Sampling = Xampling
- X prefix for compression, e.g. DivX



# Summary: Next Big Challenge

- Develop cost-effective CS **hardware** solutions
- Address wideband noise and dynamic range
- Integrate into existing hardware solutions
- Innovate at the circuit level: wideband input and large dynamic range
- Design provable hardware
  - at lab
  - on-board
  - on-chip
- Become a mature technology !

# Conclusions

Q & A

→ Outline

# Conclusions

- Union of subspaces: broad and flexible model
- Can lead to simple and efficient algorithms
- Includes analog signal models
- Sub-Nyquist sampler in hardware
- Compressed sensing of many classes of analog signals
- Many research opportunities: extensions, robustness, hardware, mathematical ...

**Compressed sensing can be extended  
practically to the infinite analog domain!**

# Opinion

- Burst of innovative publications
- Theory is still developing, yet the basic principles are understood
- Next frontier: Hardware implementations
- Become a mature technology !

More details in:

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# References + Online Documentations

→ Outline

# Online Demonstrations

- GUI package of the MWC

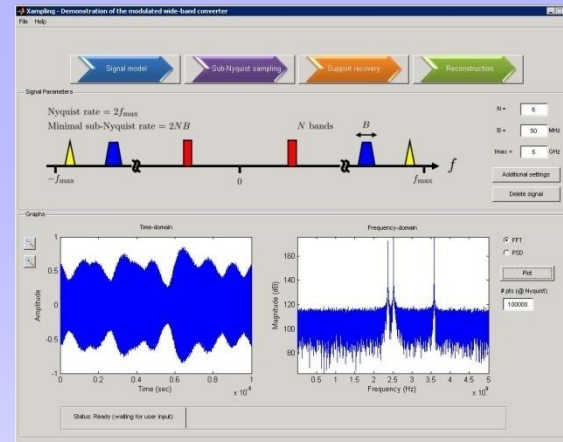
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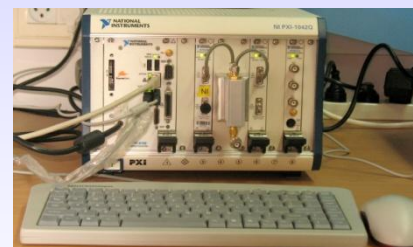
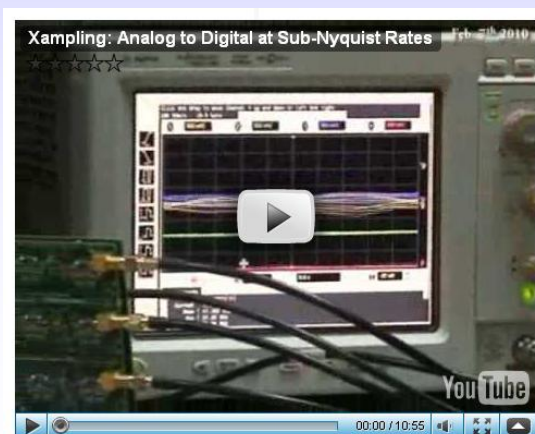
Graphical user interface for simulating the Modulated Wideband Converter Version 1.0

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- Video recording of sub-Nyquist sampling + carrier recovery in lab



# Xampling Website

[webee.technion.ac.il/people/YoninaEldar/xampling\\_top.html](http://webee.technion.ac.il/people/YoninaEldar/xampling_top.html)

**Xampling**  
**The Big Picture**

Signal Acquisition and Processing

Subspaces

and processing of analog inputs at rates far below the Nyquist rate, of subspaces. This website provides a brief introduction to union of subspaces of engineering applications.

le radio-frequency (RF) transmissions, but multiband spectra with energy that concentrates at the maximal frequency  $f_{\max}$ . Such a receiver can be implemented as RF demodulation or bandpass filtering followed by sampling at the Nyquist rate, namely twice the bandwidth.

**Ultrasound Imaging Application**

An interesting application of our scheme is ultrasound imaging, in which the signal received from the tissue under test comprises a stream of short Gaussian pulses. Applying our scheme on data recorded with GE Healthcare's Vivid-i system, we reconstructed the original signal as depicted in the figure below. The reconstruction is based on 17 samples only, whereas current ultrasonic imaging systems use for the same scenario 4000 samples, emphasizing the potential of our scheme in reducing sampling rate in such systems.

**Ultrasonic probe**

Amplitude vs time [units of  $\tau$ ]

Original Signal  
Reconstruction

**Compressed Sensing**  
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