

# Theory of Deep Learning

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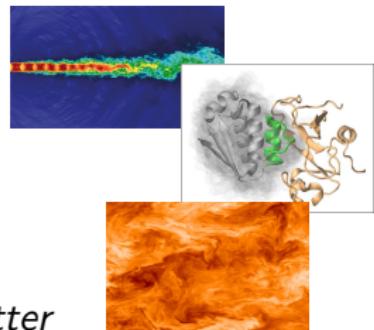
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## Further Examples:

- Turbines
  - ~~ *Adjoint based jet-noise minimization*
- Atomistic molecular dynamics
  - ~~ *Simulations with ultralong timescales*
- Star formation
  - ~~ *Understanding of turbulent accretion of matter*



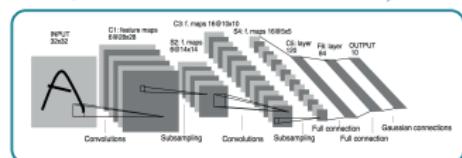
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pure modeling, simulation, and optimization approaches!*

# The Data Science Side: Impact of Deep Learning

Self-Driving Cars



Surveillance



Legal Issues



Health Care



*Very few theoretical results explaining their success!*

# From Data-Driven to Model-Based Approaches

## Problems, Viewpoints and Solution Strategies:

- Pure data-driven approaches.  
*Detect structural components in data sets!*
- Machine learning with physical constraints.  
*Insert physical information in machine learning algorithm!*
- Parametric differential equations.  
*Learn parameters from given data sets!*
- Data assimilation.  
*Combine sparse data with physical model to generate a general model!*
- Data analysis on simulation data.  
*Study simulation generated data in search of underlying laws!*



Optimal balancing of  
*data-driven and model-based approaches!*

# Outline

## 1 Inverse Problems

- Examples from Imaging Sciences
- Sparse Regularization via Shearlets

## 2 Solving Inverse Problems with Deep Neural Networks

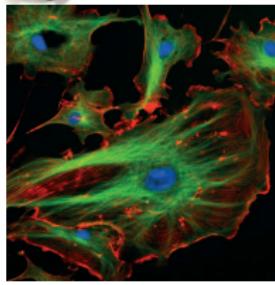
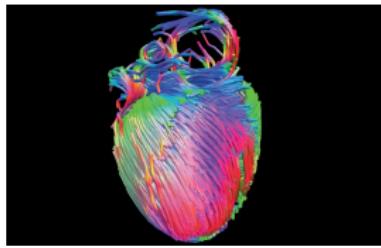
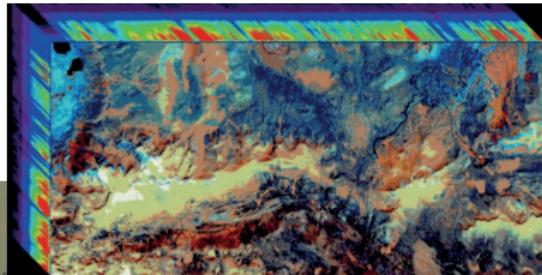
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## 3 Limited-Angle Computer Tomography

- Learning (only) the Invisible: A Hybrid Approach
- Numerical Experiments

## 4 Conclusions

# Modern Imaging Science



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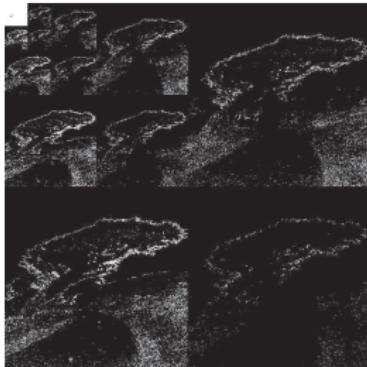
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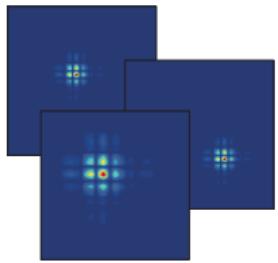


# The World is Compressible!



Wavelet Transform (JPEG2000):

$$f \mapsto (\langle f, \psi_{j,m} \rangle)_{j,m}.$$



Definition: For a wavelet  $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ , a **wavelet system** is defined by

$$\{\psi_{j,m} : j \in \mathbb{Z}, m \in \mathbb{Z}^2\}, \quad \text{where } \psi_{j,m}(x) := 2^j \psi(2^j x - m).$$

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Two Viewpoints of 'Sparsifying System':

Let  $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{H}$  and  $(\psi_\lambda)_\lambda \subseteq \mathcal{H}$ .

- **Decay of Coefficients.** Consider the decay for  $n \rightarrow \infty$  of the sorted sequence of coefficients

$$(|\langle x, \psi_{\lambda_n} \rangle|)_n \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathcal{C}.$$

- **Approximation Properties.** Consider the decay for  $N \rightarrow \infty$  of the error of best  $N$ -term approximation, i.e.,

$$\inf_{\#\Lambda_N=N, (c_\lambda)_\lambda} \left\| x - \sum_{\lambda \in \Lambda_N} c_\lambda \psi_\lambda \right\| \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathcal{C}.$$



# Sparsity-Based Approaches to Inverse Problems

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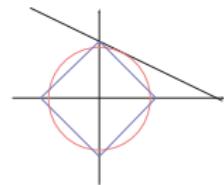
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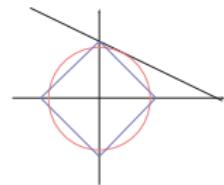
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Some Earlier Footprints in Inverse Problems:

- Donoho (1995): Wavelet-Vaguelette decomposition.
- Chambolle, DeVore, Lee, Lucier (1998): Penalty on the Besov norm.
- Daubechies, Defries, De Mol (2004): General sparsity constraints.
- ...

# Regularization by Sparsity

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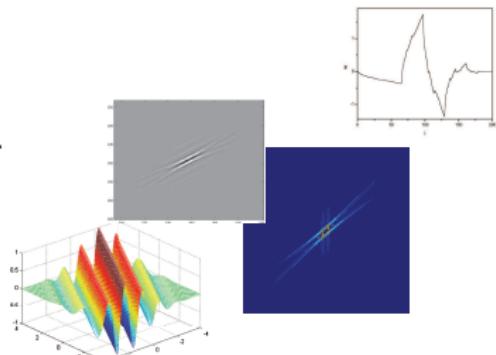
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Applied Harmonic Analysis Approach:  
Wavelets, Ridgelets, Curvelets, Shearlets,...

Desiderata:

- Multiscale representation system.
- Partition of Fourier domain.
- Fast algorithms:  $x \mapsto (\langle x, \psi_\lambda \rangle)_\lambda \rightsquigarrow x$ .
- Optimality for the considered class.  
 $\rightsquigarrow$  Here: Functions governed by anisotropic features.



## *Shearlets come into Play*

# Mathematical Model for Images

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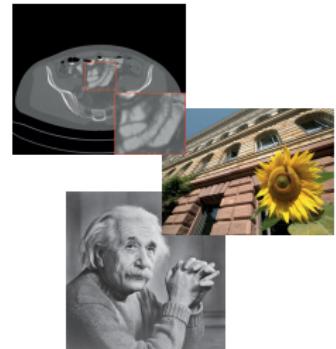
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Definition (Donoho; 2001):

Let  $\nu > 0$ . We then define the class of *cartoon-like functions* by

$$\mathcal{E}^2(\mathbb{R}^2) = \{f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2) : f = f_1 + \chi_B f_2\},$$

where  $B \subset [0, 1]^2$  with  $\partial B \in C^2$ , and the functions  $f_1$  and  $f_2$  satisfy  $f_1, f_2 \in C_0^2([0, 1]^2)$ ,  $\|f_1\|_{C^2}, \|f_2\|_{C^2}, \|\partial B\|_{C^2} < \nu$ .

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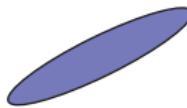
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Parabolic scaling ('width  $\approx$  length<sup>2</sup>'):

$$A_{2^j} = \begin{pmatrix} 2^j & 0 \\ 0 & 2^{j/2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$



Orientation via shearing:

$$S_k = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & k \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Advantage:

- Shearing leaves the digital grid  $\mathbb{Z}^2$  invariant.
- Uniform theory for the continuum and digital situation.

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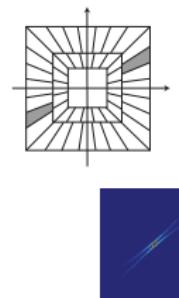
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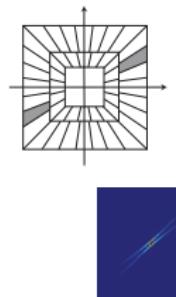
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Theorem (K, Lim; 2011):

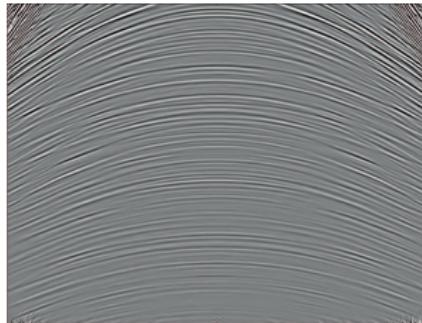
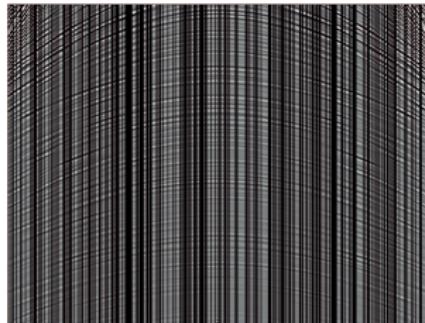
Let  $\phi, \psi, \tilde{\psi} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$  be compactly supported, and let  $\hat{\psi}, \tilde{\hat{\psi}}$  satisfy certain decay condition. Then  $\mathcal{SH}(\phi, \psi, \tilde{\psi})$  provides an optimally sparse approximation of  $f \in \mathcal{E}^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ , i.e.,

$$\|f - f_N\|_2^2 \lesssim N^{-2}(\log N)^3 \text{ and } |\langle f, \sigma_{\eta_n} \rangle| \lesssim n^{-\frac{3}{2}}(\log n)^{\frac{3}{2}}.$$



# Applications

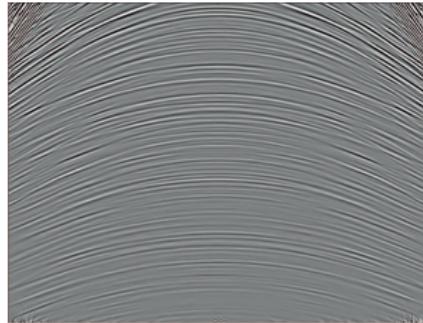
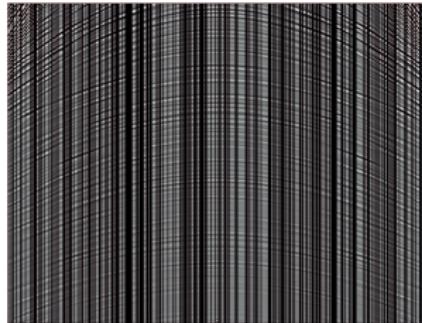
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## 2D&3D (parallelized) Fast Shearlet Transform ([www.ShearLab.org](http://www.ShearLab.org))

- Matlab (*K, Lim, Reisenhofer; 2013*)
- Julia (*Loarca; 2017*)
- Python (*Look; 2018*)
- Tensorflow (*Loarca; 2019*)

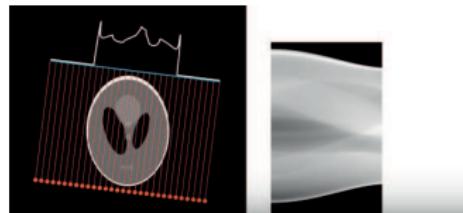


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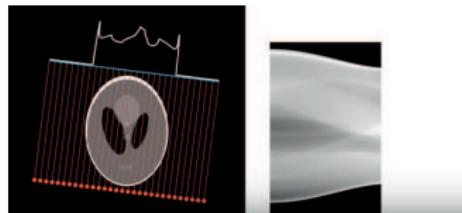
ShearLab is a MATLAB library developed for processing two- and three-dimensional data with a certain class of basis functions named Shearlets. Such shearlet frames are particularly well adapted to represent anisotropic features, such as, curves that are often crucial

## *Mathematical Modeling Reaches a Barrier*

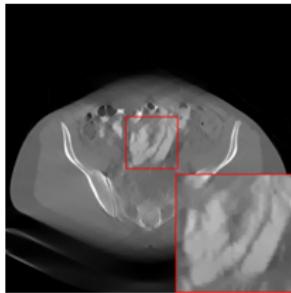
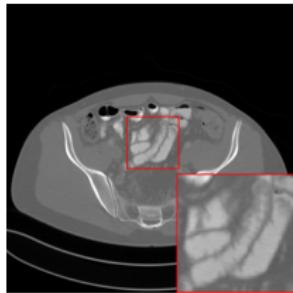
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Problem with Limited-Angle Tomography:



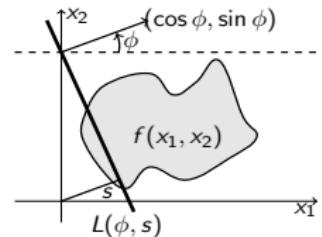
The data is too complex for mathematical modeling!

# Limited Angle-(Computed) Tomography

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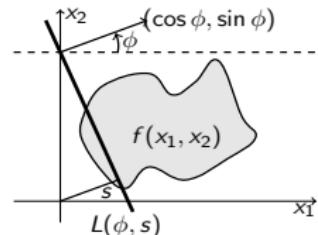


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Challenging inverse problem if  $\mathcal{R}f(\cdot, s)$  is only sampled on  $[-\phi, \phi] \subset [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ .

**Applications:** Dental CT, breast tomosynthesis, electron tomography,...

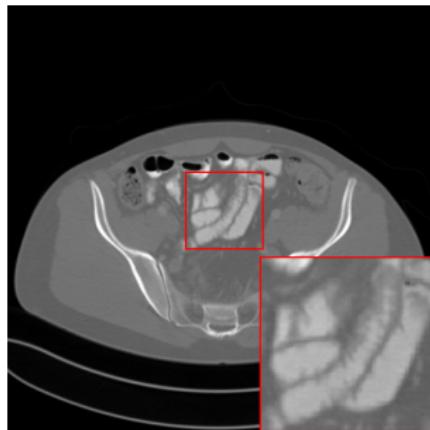


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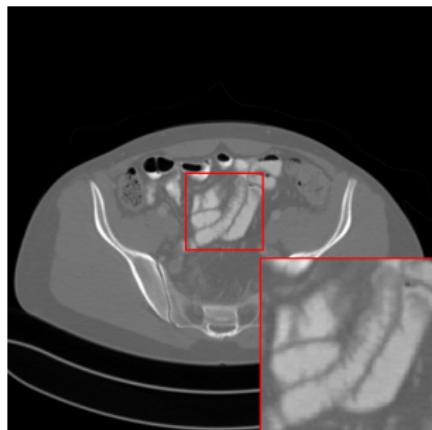
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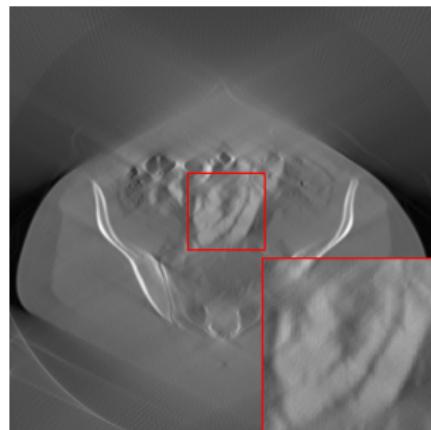
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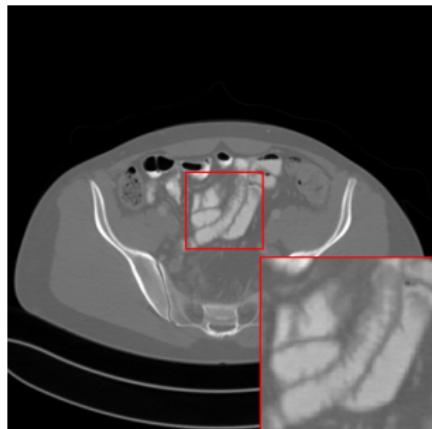
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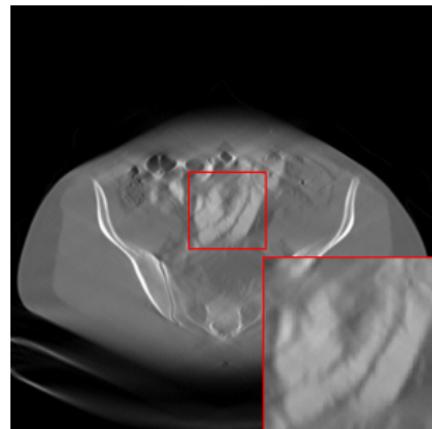
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Sparse Regularization with Shearlets

*Let's bring Deep Learning into the Game*

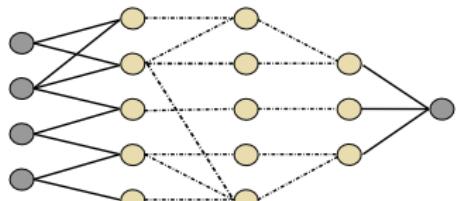


# Neural Networks from a Mathematical Perspective

Definition:

Assume the following notions:

- $d \in \mathbb{N}$ : Dimension of input layer.
- $L$ : Number of layers.
- $N$ : Number of neurons.
- $\sigma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ : (Non-linear) function called *rectifier*.
- $W_\ell : \mathbb{R}^{N_{\ell-1}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N_\ell}$ ,  $\ell = 1, \dots, L$ : Affine linear maps ( $x \mapsto Ax + b$ )



Then  $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N_L}$  given by

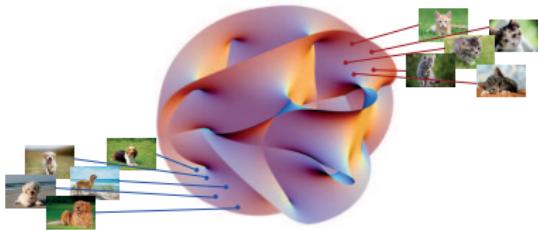
$$\Phi(x) = W_L \sigma(W_{L-1} \sigma(\dots \sigma(W_1(x)))), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d,$$

is called a *(deep) neural network (DNN)*. A DNN with only few non-zero weights is called *sparsely connected*.

# Training of Deep Neural Networks

## High-Level Set Up:

- Samples  $(x_i, f(x_i))_{i=1}^m$  of a function such as  $f : \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, K\}$ .



- Select an architecture of a deep neural network, i.e., a choice of  $d$ ,  $L$ ,  $(N_\ell)_{\ell=1}^L$ , and  $\sigma$ .  
*Sometimes selected entries of the matrices  $(A_\ell)_{\ell=1}^L$ , i.e., weights, are set to zero at this point.*
- Learn the affine-linear functions  $(W_\ell)_{\ell=1}^L = (A_\ell \cdot + b_\ell)_{\ell=1}^L$  by

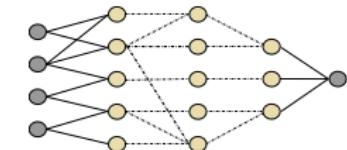
$$\min_{A_\ell, b_\ell} \sum_{i=1}^m \mathcal{L}(\Phi_{A_\ell, b_\ell}(x_i), f(x_i)) + \lambda \mathcal{R}(A_\ell, b_\ell)$$

yielding the network  $\Phi_{A_\ell, b_\ell} : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{N_L}$ ,

$$\Phi_{A_\ell, b_\ell}(x) = W_L \sigma(W_{L-1} \sigma(\dots \sigma(W_1(x))).$$

*This is often done by stochastic gradient descent.*

*Goal:*  $\Phi_{A_\ell, b_\ell} \approx f$



# *Deep Neural Networks and Inverse Problems*

# Solving Inverse Problems by Deep Learning

Setup:

Given  $N$  training samples  $(f_i, g_i)_{i=1}^N$  following the forward model

$$g_i = Kf_i + \eta.$$

Goal:

- Determine a reconstruction operator  $\mathcal{T}_\theta$  such that

$$g = Kf + \eta \implies \mathcal{T}_\theta(g) \approx f.$$

- $\mathcal{T}_\theta$  is parametrized by  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}^p$  and learned from training data.

Evaluation:

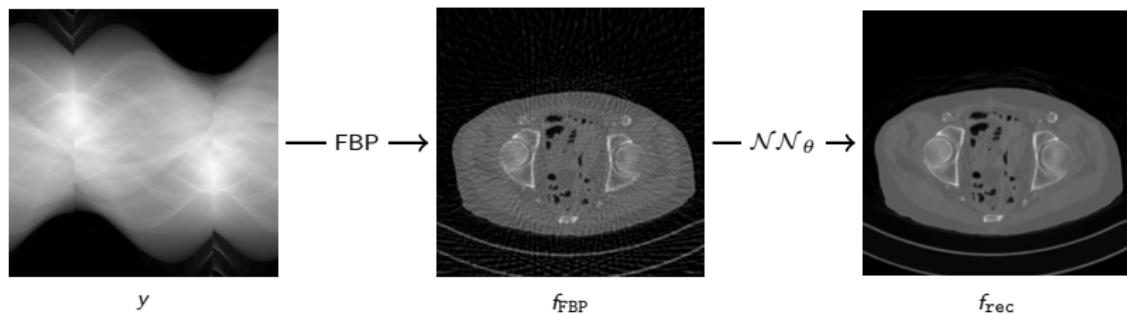
Evaluate the quality of  $\mathcal{T}_\theta$  by testing on the test data  $(f_i, g_i)_{i=N+1}^K$  following the forward model.



# Typical Deep Learning Approaches to Inverse Problems

Denoising Direct Inversion [Ye et al., 2016] [Unser et. al., 2017], ...:

- Idea: Direct inversion with filtered backprojection, train CNN to remove noise.
- Illustration:

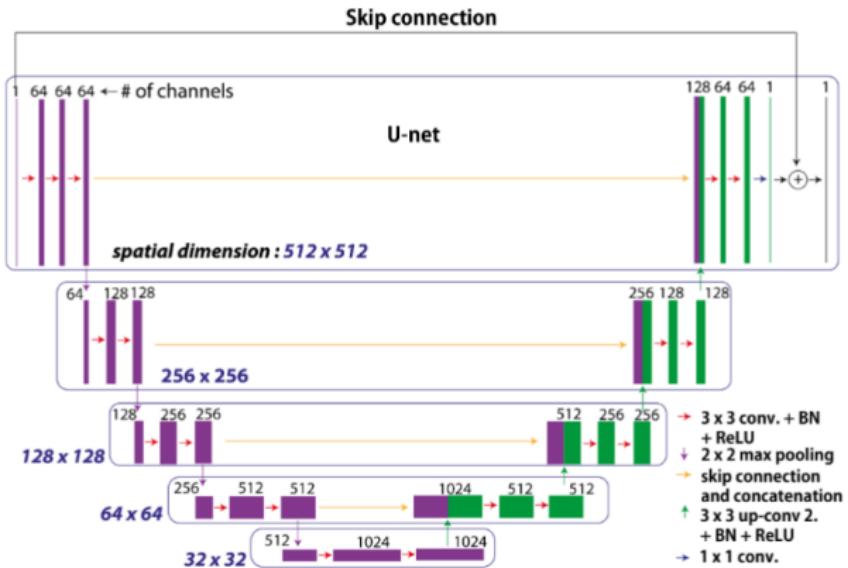


Inversion & denoising  $\rightsquigarrow$  Simple, ad-hoc approach to inverse problems

- Intuition:
  - ▶ CNN learns structured noise/artifacts.
  - ▶ Rationale: Without taking FBP, CNN needs to learn physics of CT.

# Denoising Direct Inversions - The CNN Architecture

- U-Net architecture, originally used for segmentation [Ronneberger et al.,2015]
- Based on fully-convolutional networks [Long et al.,2014]
- Encoder-Decoder CNN with skip-connections



# Solvers for Generalized Tikhonov Regularization

Generalized Tikhonov Regularization:

$$\operatorname{argmin}_f \left[ \|Kf - g\|^2 + \alpha \cdot \mathcal{P}(f) \right]$$

Douglas-Rachford (or ADMM or . . . ) results in the iterations:

$$(1) \quad f_{k+1} := \operatorname{prox}_{\gamma\alpha\mathcal{P}}(h_k);$$

$$(2) \quad h_{k+1} := h_k + \operatorname{prox}_{\gamma J}(2f_{k+1} - h_k) - f_{k+1};$$

where  $\gamma > 0$ ,  $J := \|K \cdot - g\|^2$ , and  $\operatorname{prox}_J(h) := \operatorname{argmin}_u J(u) + \frac{1}{2} \|u - h\|_2^2$ .

Observations:

- For  $\mathcal{P} = \|\cdot\|_1$ , (1) in soft-thresholding  $\rightsquigarrow$  denoising;
- (2) amounts in solving a linear system  $\rightsquigarrow$  Tikhonov-regularization;



# Other Deep Learning Approaches to Inverse Problems

Plug-and-play with CNN-denoising [Bouman et al.,2013], [Elad et al.,2016], ...

- Iterative solvers such as Douglas-Rachford or ADMM contain a denoising step.
- Replace this step by a trained CNN.

Learned Iterative Schemes [Pock et. al.,2017], [Adler et al.,2017], ...

- Iterative solvers such as ADMM or Primal-Dual contain proximal steps.
- Replace these steps by parameterized operators (not necessarily prox), where the parameters are learned.



# The “Best” Deep Learning Approach to Limited-Angle CT

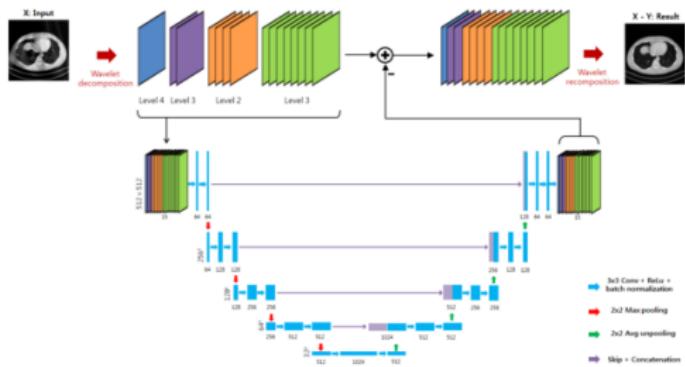


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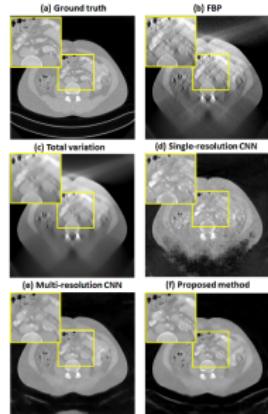


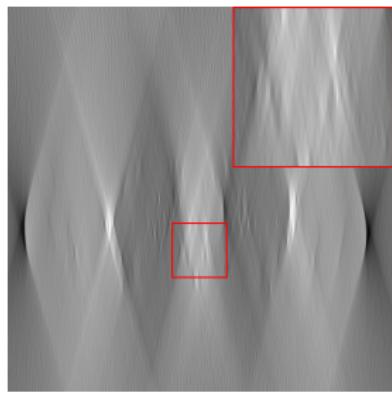
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- Missing theory, unclear what the neural network really does:
  - ▶ Entire image is processed!
  - ▶ Which features are modified?
  - ▶ Lack of a clear interpretation!
- The neural network needs to learn a lot of streaking artifacts (+noise)

[J. Gu and J. C. Ye. Multi-scale wavelet domain residual learning for limited-angle CT reconstruction. In: Procs Fully3D (2017), pp. 443-447.]

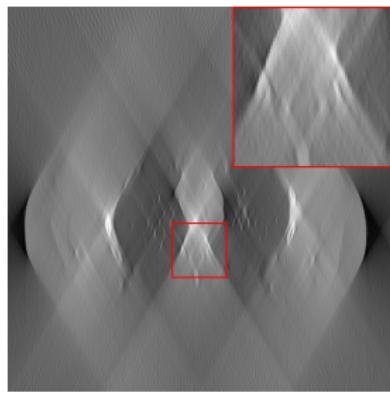
## *A True Hybrid Approach*

# Zooming in on the Recovery Problem



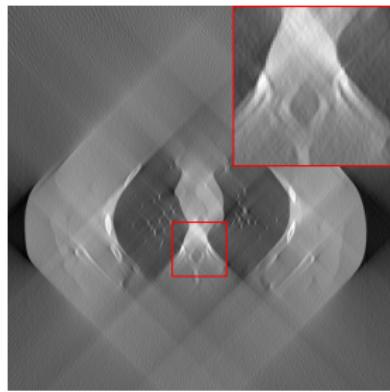
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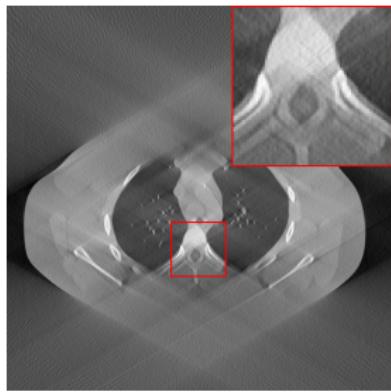
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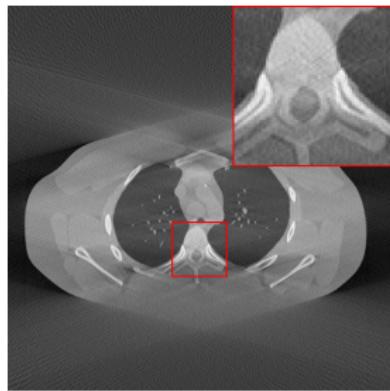
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# Zooming in on the Recovery Problem



$\phi = 60^\circ$ , filtered backprojection (FBP)

# Zooming in on the Recovery Problem



$\phi = 75^\circ$ , filtered backprojection (FBP)

# Zooming in on the Recovery Problem



$\phi = 90^\circ$ , filtered backprojection (FBP)

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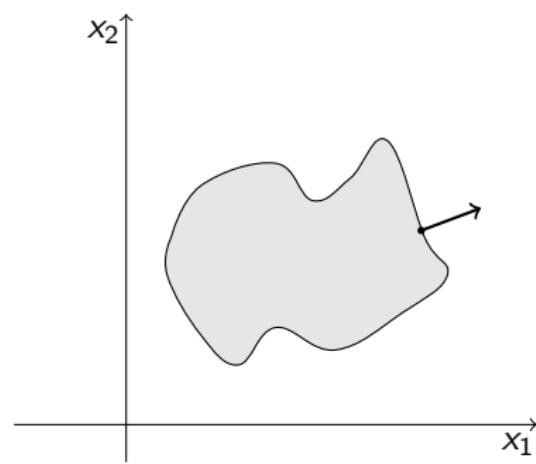
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## Some Observations:

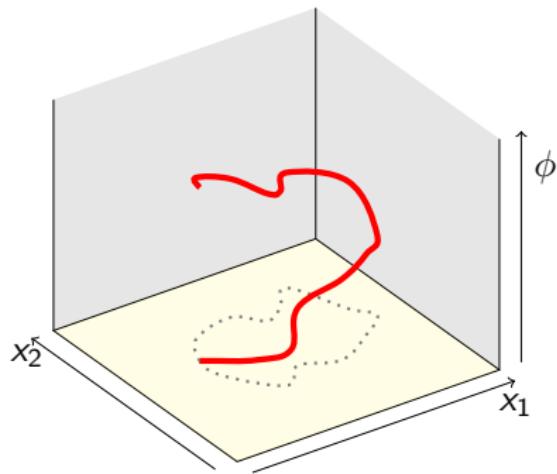
- Only certain boundaries/features seem to be “*visible*”!
- Missing wedge creates artifacts!
- Highly ill-posed inverse problem!

# Fundamental Understanding of the Problem

This Phenomenon is well understood and mathematically analyzed via the concept of *microlocal analysis*, in particular, *wavefront sets*.



$f = \mathbb{I}_D$  for a set  $D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$  with smooth boundary



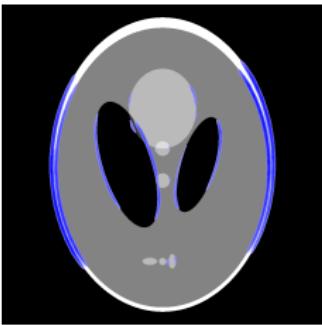
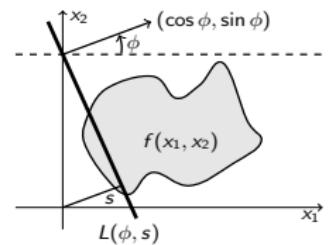
Visualization in phase space

**Definition:** The *wavefront set* of a distribution  $f$  is the completement of all such location/direction pairs  $(t, s)$ , where for a local window  $\phi$  the function  $\widehat{\phi f}$  decays rapidly in direction  $s$ .

# Visibility in CT

**Theorem ([Quinto, 1993]):** Let  $L_0 = L(\phi_0, s_0)$  be a line in the plane. Let  $(x_0, \xi_0) \in \text{WF}(f)$  such that  $x_0 \in L_0$  and  $\xi_0$  is a normal vector to  $L_0$ .

- The singularity of  $f$  at  $(x_0, \xi_0)$  causes a unique singularity in  $\mathcal{R} f$  at  $(\phi_0, s_0)$ .
- Singularities of  $f$  not tangent to  $L(\phi_0, s_0)$  do not cause singularities in  $\mathcal{R} f$  at  $(\phi_0, s_0)$ .



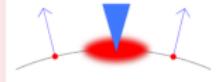
“visible”: singularities tangent  
to sampled lines



“invisible”: singularities not tangent  
to sampled lines

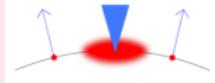
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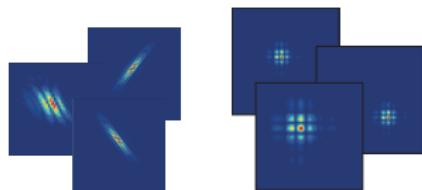


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Theorem (K, Labate, 2006): “Shearlets can identify the wavefront set at fine scales.”



More Precisely:

- Continuous Shearlet Transform:

$$L^2(\mathbb{R}^2) \ni f \mapsto \mathcal{SH}_\psi f(a, s, t) = \langle f, \psi_{a,s,t} \rangle, \quad (a, s, t) \in \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^2.$$

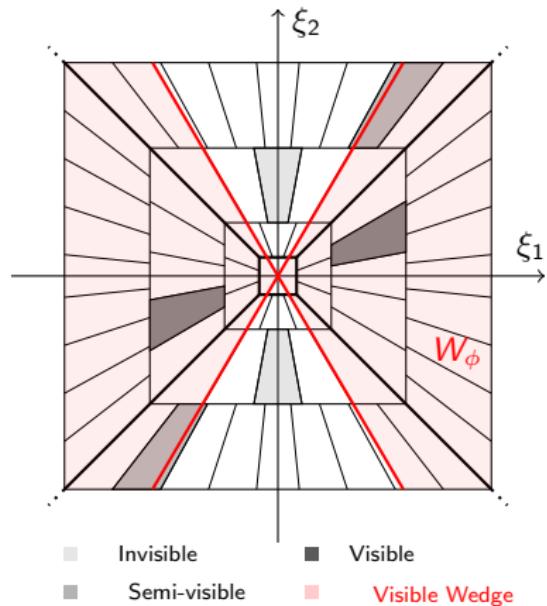
- Resolution of Wavefront Sets (simplified from [K & Labate, 2006], [Grohs, 2011])

$$\text{WF}(f)^c = \left\{ (t_0, s_0) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \times [-1, 1] : \text{for } (t, s) \text{ in neighborhood } U \text{ of } (t_0, s_0): \right.$$

$$\left. |\mathcal{SH}_\psi f(a, s, t)| = \mathcal{O}(a^k) \text{ as } a \rightarrow 0, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}, \text{ unif. over } U \right\}$$



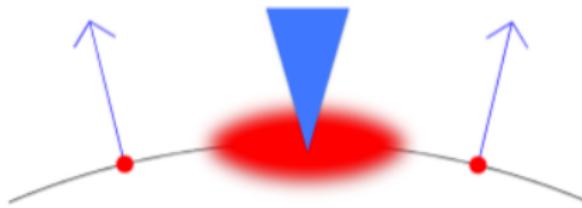
# Shearlets can Separate the Visible and Invisible Part



# The High-level Idea

## Avenue of Research

- Shearlets are proven to resolve the wavefront set.
- Use them in sparse/limited angle tomography for filling in missing parts of the wavefront set.



### Practical Questions:

- How can we access the visible parts with shearlets?  
~~ *Sparse Regularization!*
- How can we inpaint the missing parts?  
~~ *Deep Learning!*

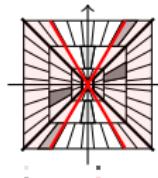
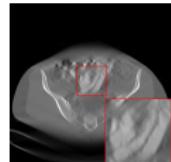
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Step 2: *Learn the invisible*

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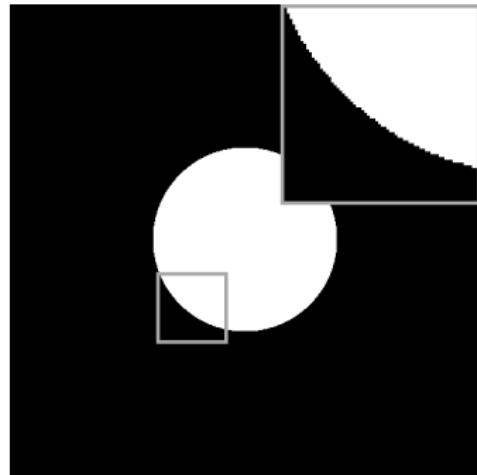
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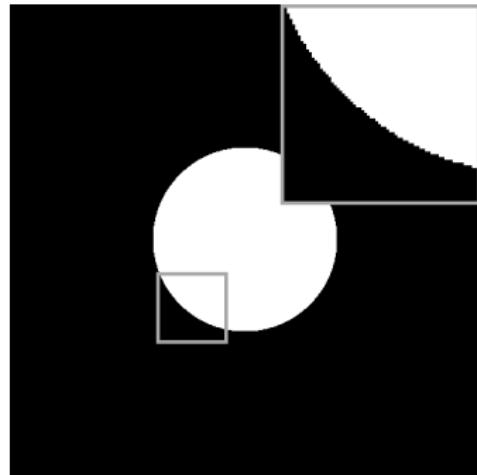
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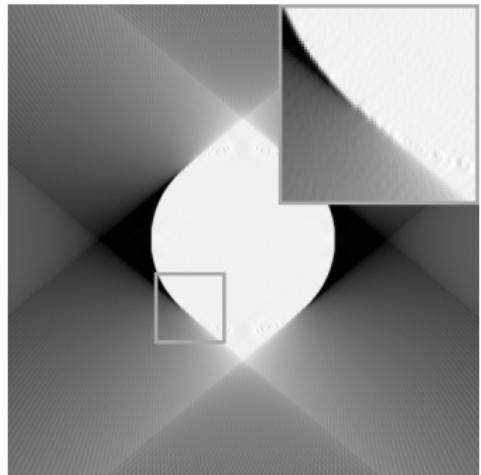
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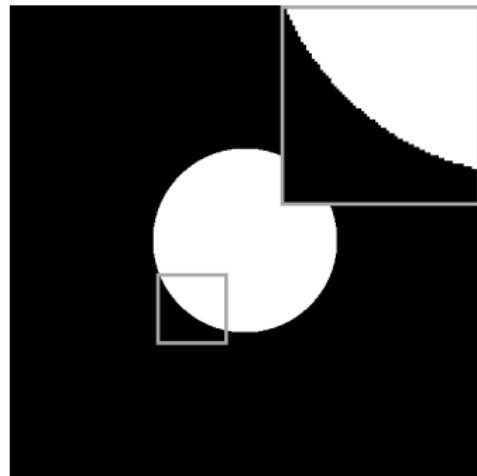
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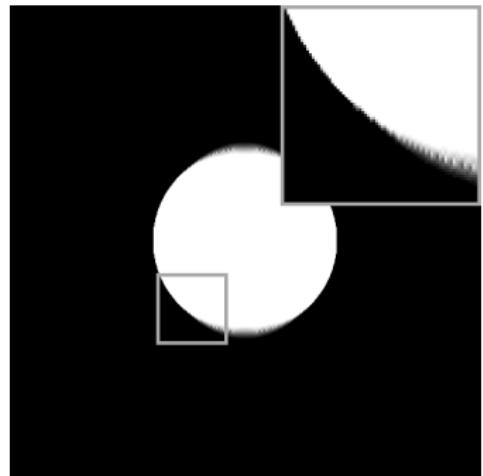
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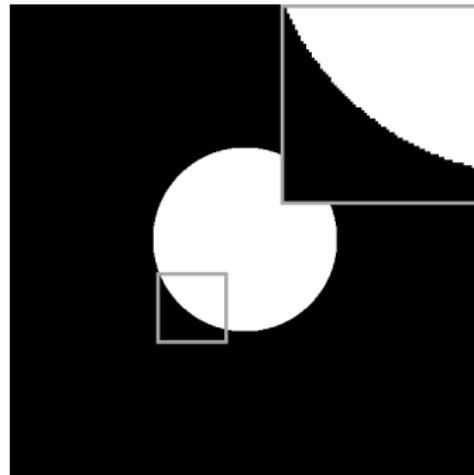
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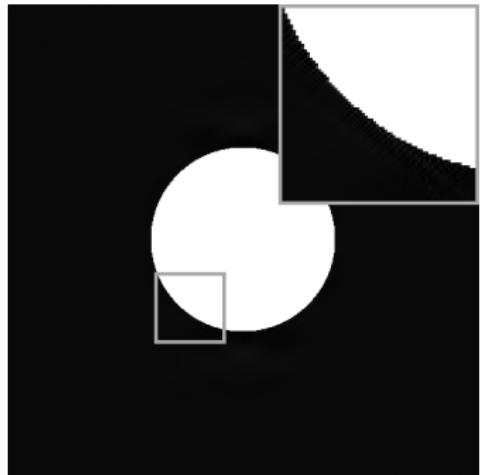
$\ell_1$ -analysis shearlet solution  $f^*$

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Verify the concept of (in-)visibility with the help of an oracle:



$f_{\text{gt}}$



$$\text{SH}_{\psi}^T \left( \text{SH}_{\psi}(f^*)_{\mathcal{I}_{\text{vis}}} + \text{SH}_{\psi}(\textcolor{blue}{f}_{\text{gt}})_{\mathcal{I}_{\text{inv}}} \right)$$

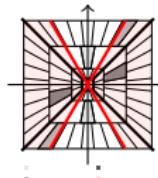
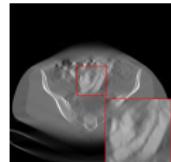
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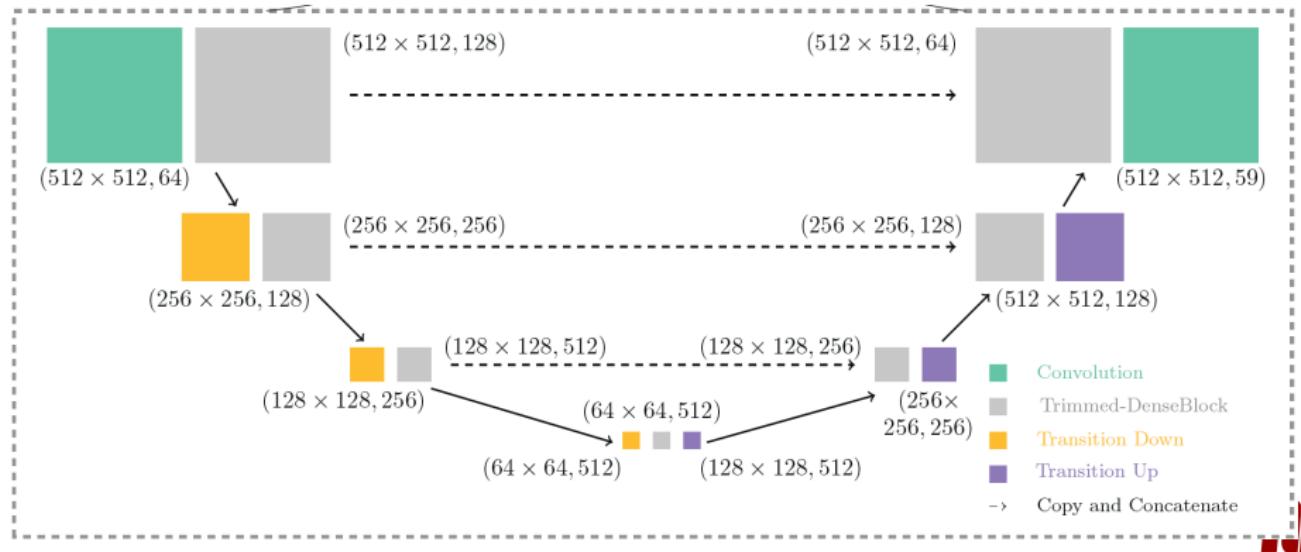
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## Our Approach – Step 2: PhantomNet

U-Net-like CNN architecture  $\mathcal{NN}_\theta$  (40 layers) that is trained by minimizing:

$$\min_{\theta} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^N \|\mathcal{NN}_\theta(\text{SH}(f_j^*)) - \text{SH}(f_j^{\text{gt}})_{\mathcal{I}_{\text{inv}}} \|_{w,2}^2.$$



# Learning the Invisible

Model Based & Data Driven: Only learn what needs to be learned!

Advantages over Pure Data Based Approach:

- Interpretation of what the CNN does ( $\rightsquigarrow$  3D inpainting)
- Reliability by learning only what is *not visible* in the data
- Better performance due to better input
- The neural network does not process entire image, leading to...
  - ▶ ...less blurring by U-net
  - ▶ ...fewer unwanted artifacts
- Better generalization

Disadvantage:

- Speed: dominated by  $\ell^1$ -minimization



# Setup

## Experimental Scenarios:

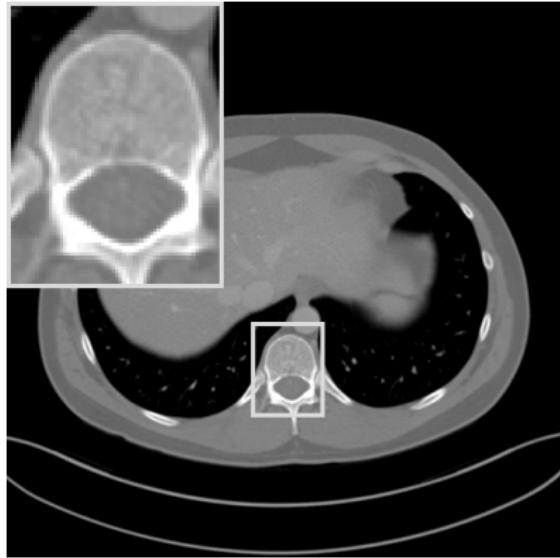
- **Mayo Clinic**<sup>1</sup>: human abdomen scans provided by the Mayo Clinic for the AAPM Low-Dose CT Grand Challenge.
  - ▶ 10 patients (2378 slices of size  $512 \times 512$  with thickness 3mm)
  - ▶ 9 patients for training (2134 slices) and 1 patient for testing (244 slices)
  - ▶ simulated noisy *fanbeam* measurements for  $60^\circ$  missing wedge
- **Lotus Root**: real data measured with the  $\mu$ CT in Helsinki
  - ▶ generalization test of our method (training is on Mayo data!)
  - ▶  $30^\circ$  missing wedge
- ...

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<sup>1</sup>We would like to thank Dr. Cynthia McCollough, the Mayo Clinic, the American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM), and grant EB01705 and EB01785 from the National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering for providing the Low-Dose CT Grand Challenge data set.

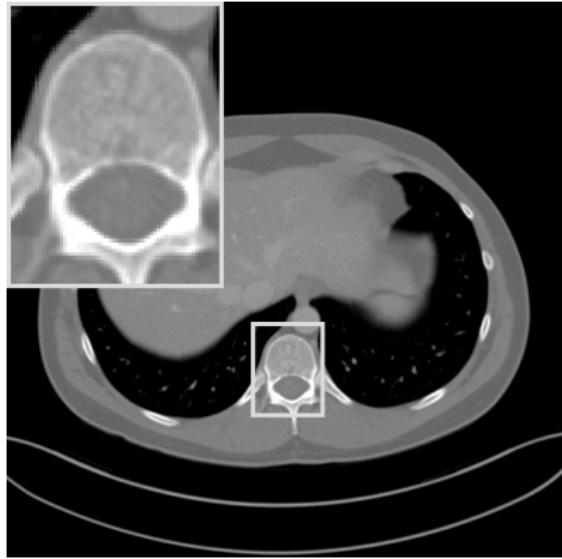


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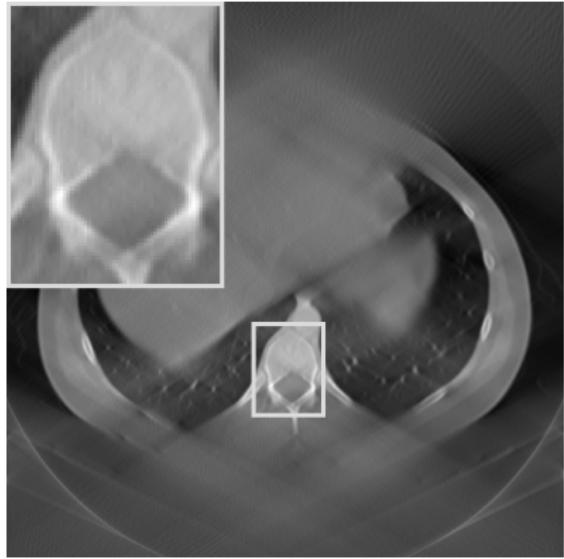


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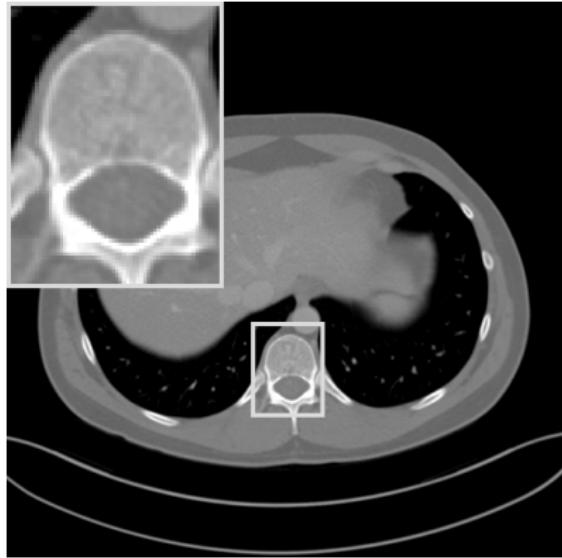


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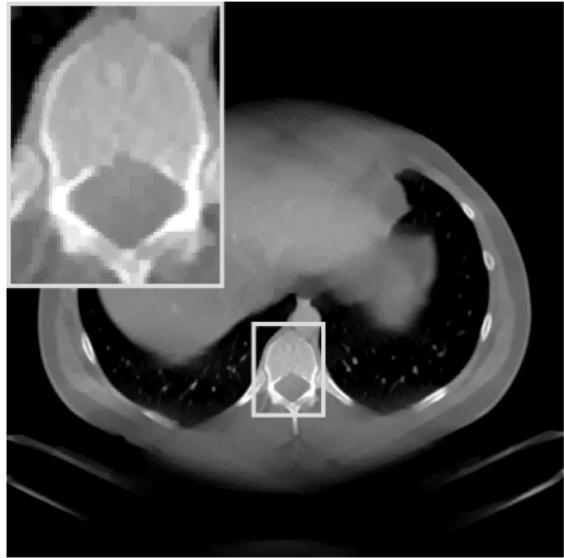


$f_{FBP}$ : RE = 0.50, HaarPSI=0.35

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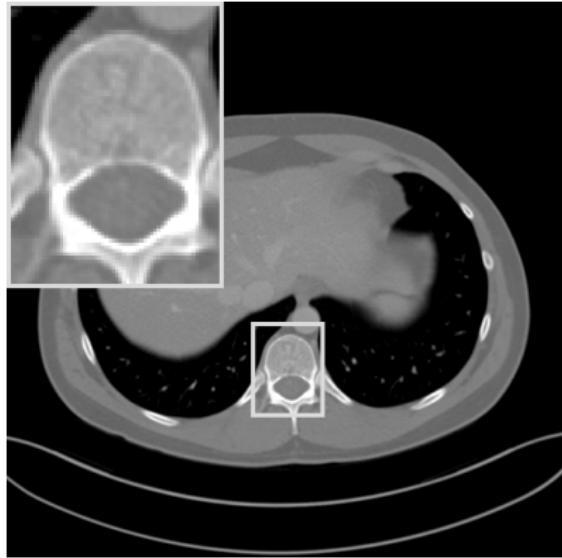


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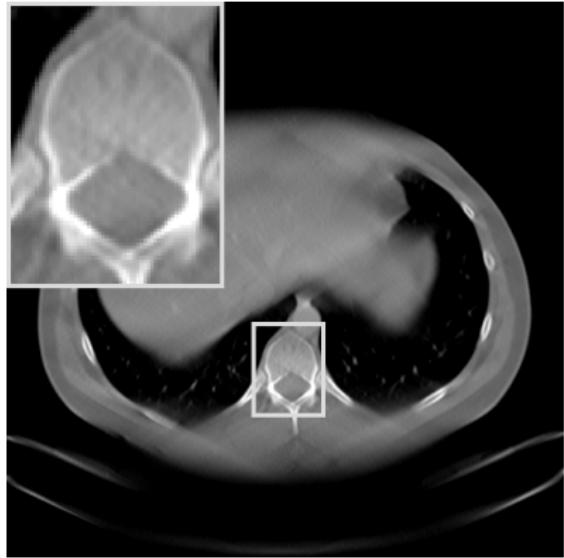


$f_{TV}$ : RE = 0.21, HaarPSI=0.41

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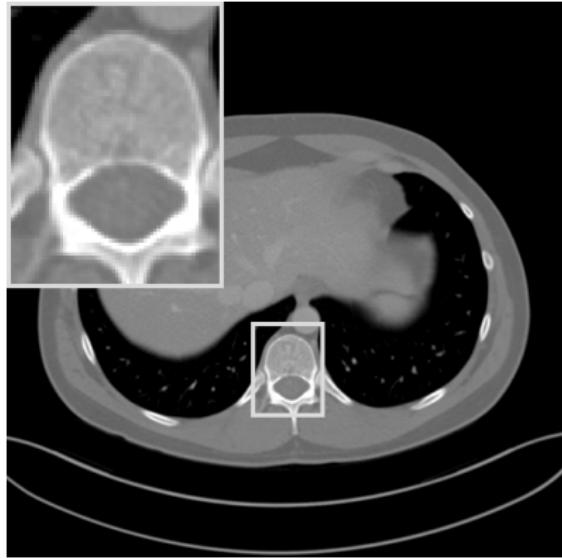


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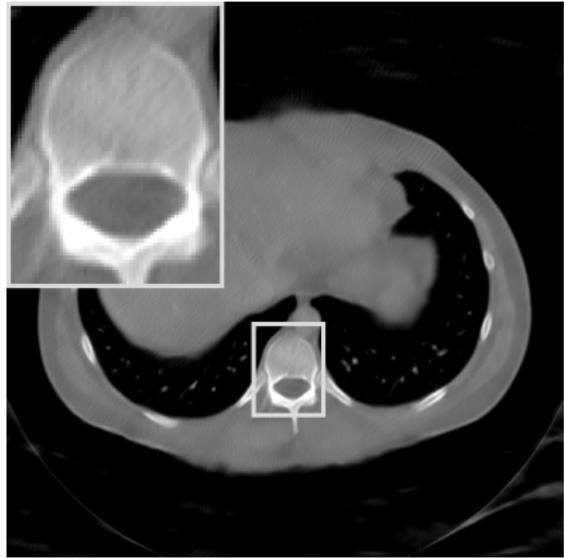


$f^*$ : RE = 0.19, HaarPSI=0.43

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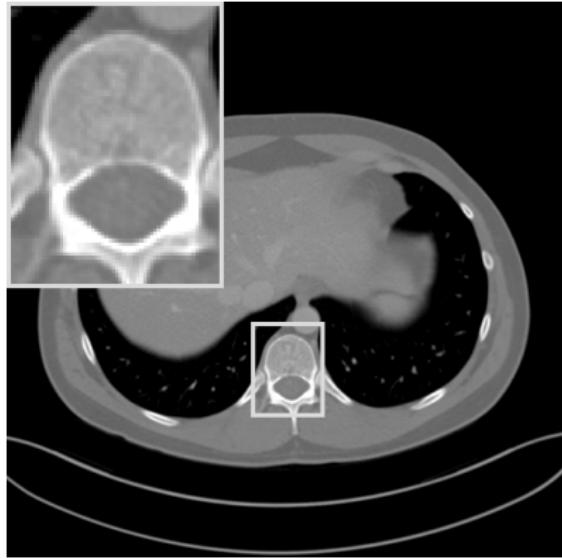


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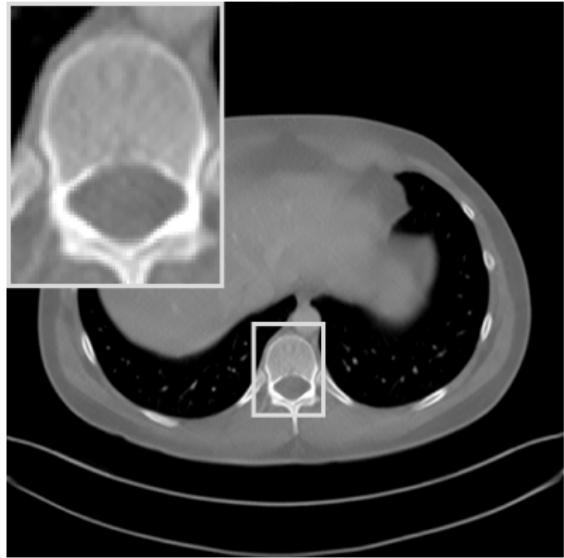


$f_{[Gu \& Ye, 2017]}$ : RE = 0.22, HaarPSI=0.40

# Evaluation on Test Patient



$f_{gt}$



$f_{LtI}$ : RE = 0.09, HaarPSI=0.76

# Average over Test Patient

Method	RE	PSNR	SSIM	HaarPSI
$f_{\text{FBP}}$	0.47	17.16	0.40	0.32
$f_{\text{TV}}$	0.18	25.88	0.85	0.37
$f^*$	0.17	26.34	0.85	0.40
$f_{[\text{Gu} \& \text{Ye}, 2017]}$	0.25	23.06	0.61	0.34
$\mathcal{NN}_\theta(f_{\text{FBP}})$	0.15	27.40	0.78	0.52
$\mathcal{NN}_\theta(\text{SH}(f_{\text{FBP}}))$	0.16	26.80	0.74	0.52
$f_{\text{LtI}}$	<b>0.08</b>	<b>32.77</b>	<b>0.93</b>	<b>0.73</b>

HaarPSI (Reisenhofer, Bosse, K, and Wiegand; 2018)

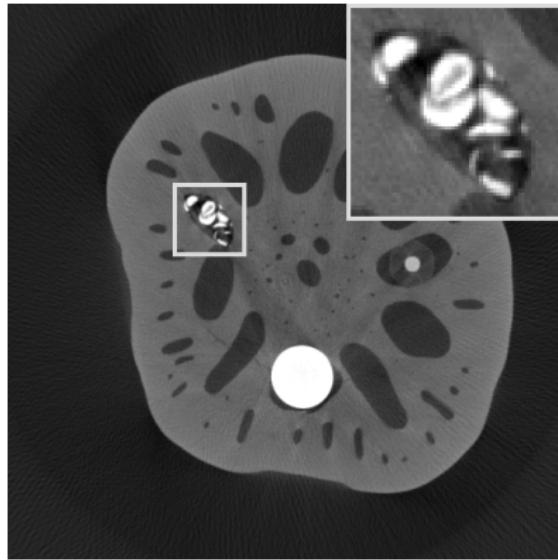
Advantages over (MS-)SSIM, FSIM, PSNR, GSM, VIF, etc.:

- Achieves **higher correlations with human opinion scores**.
- Can be **computed very efficiently** and significantly faster.

[www.haarpsi.org](http://www.haarpsi.org)

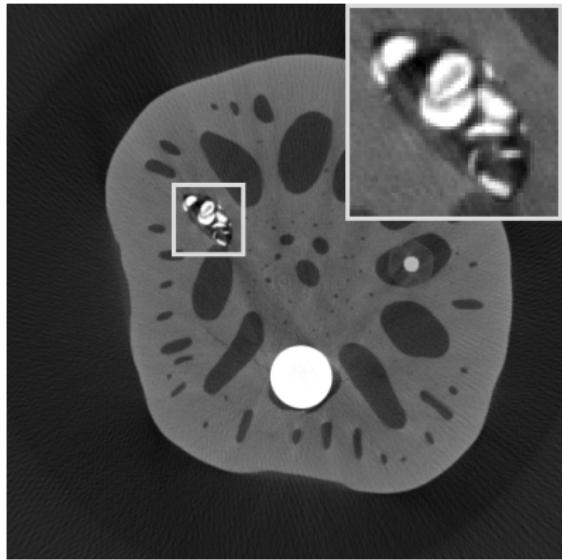


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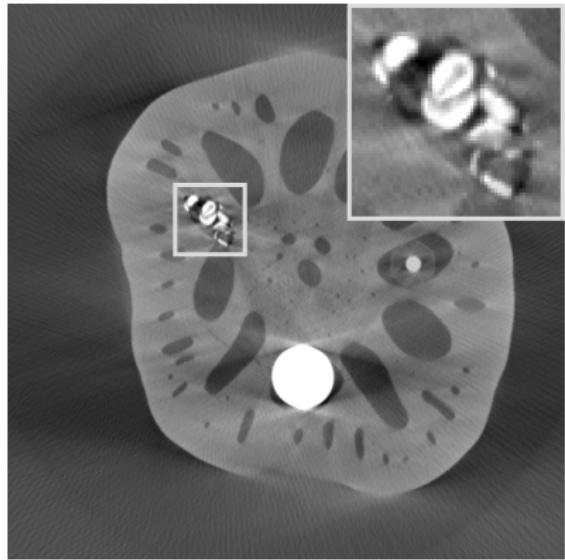


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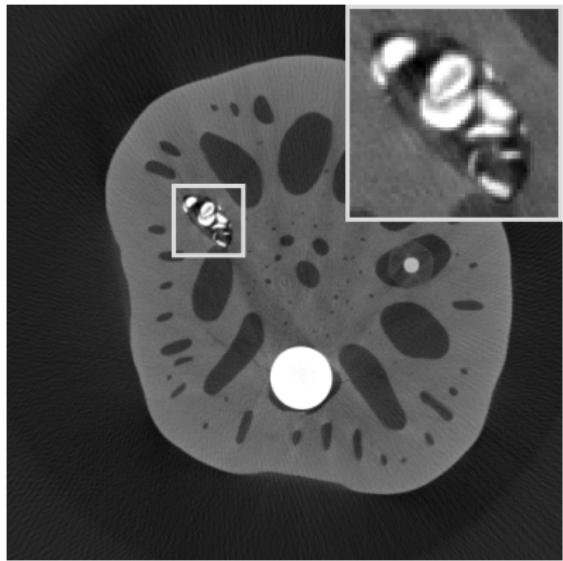


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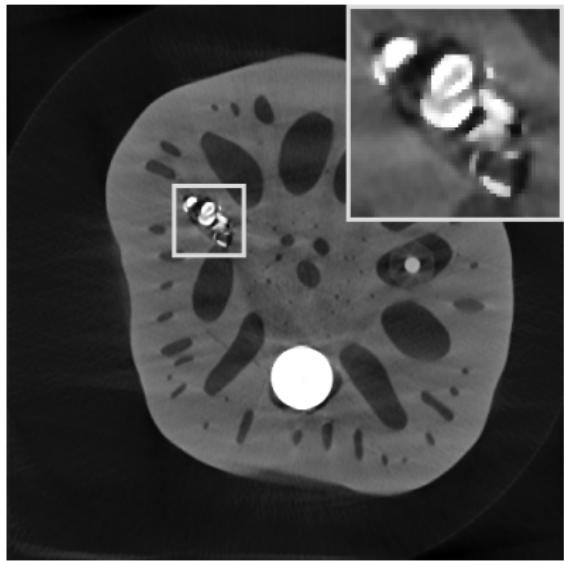


$f_{FBP}$ : RE = 0.31, HaarPSI=0.61

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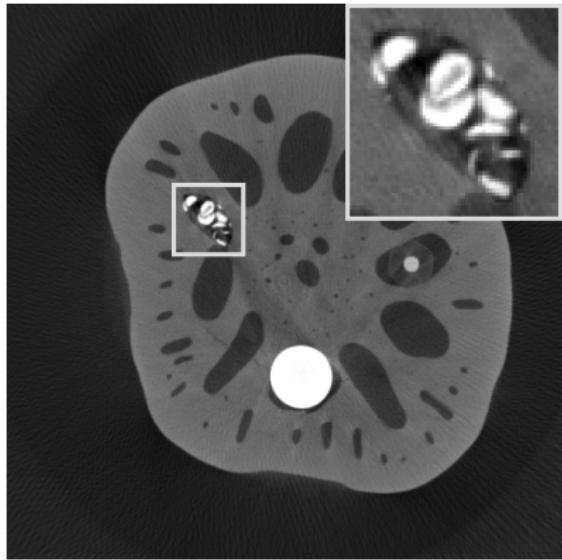


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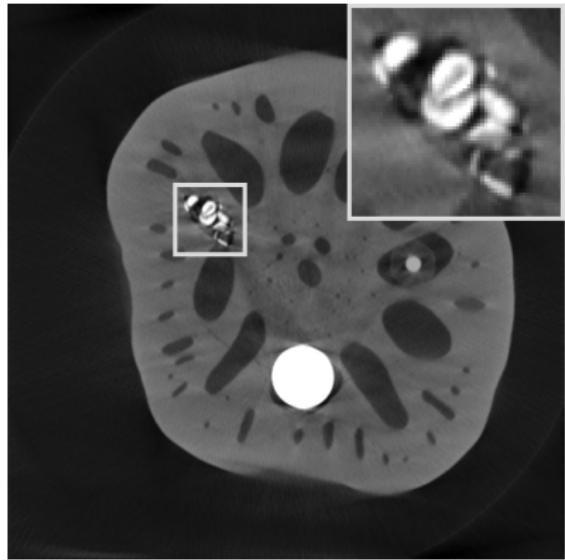


$f_{TV}$ : RE = 0.12, HaarPSI=0.74

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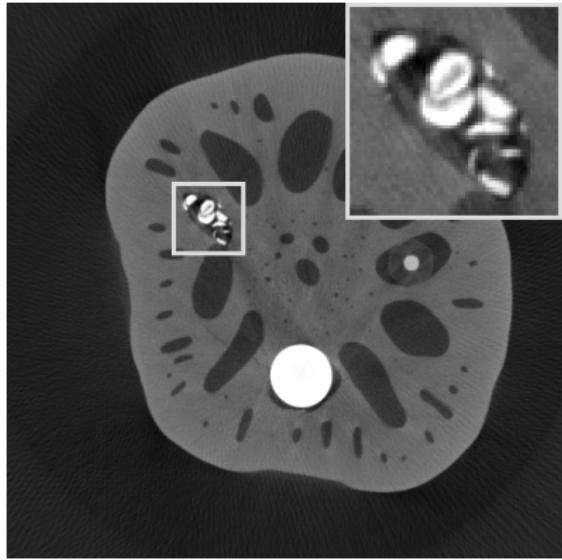


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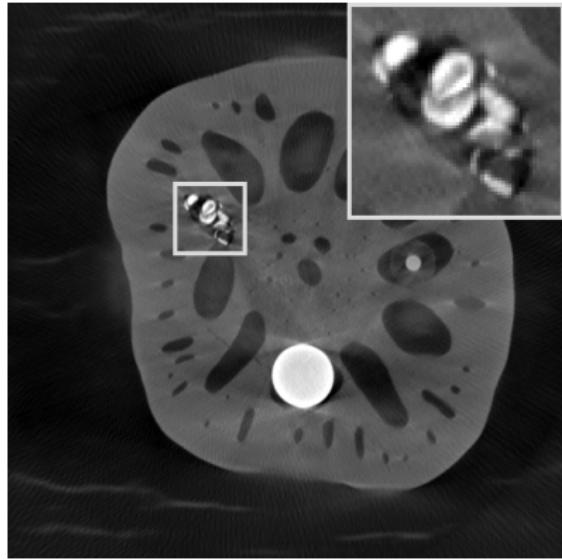


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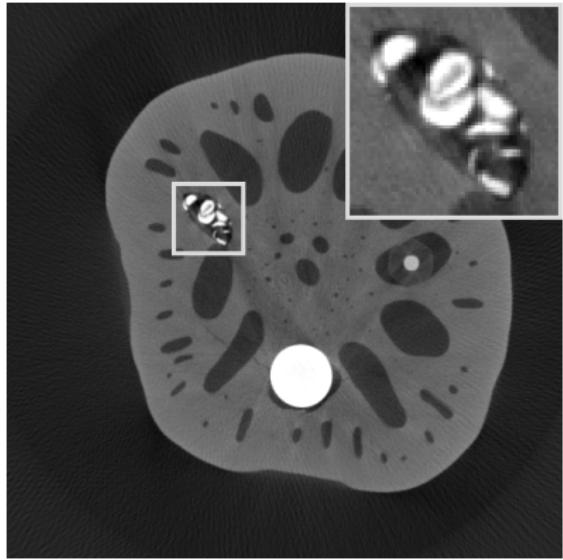


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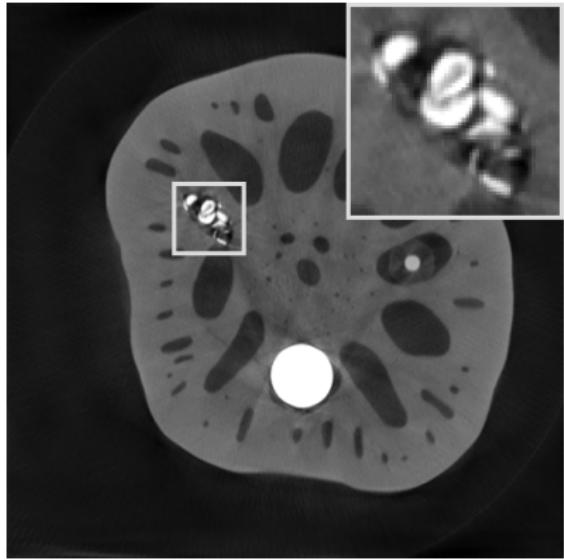


$f$  [Gu & Ye, 2017]: RE = 0.25, HaarPSI=0.62

# Generalization to Lotus Root



$f_{gt}$



$f_{LtI}$ : RE = 0.11, HaarPSI=0.83

## *Conclusions*

# What to take Home...?

Model-Based Side:

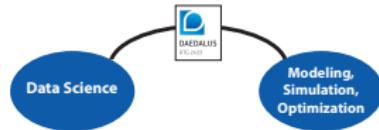
- *Inverse problems* can be solved by *sparse regularization*.
- *Shearlets* are optimal for imaging science problems.
- Methods based on *mathematical models* today often *reach a barrier*.

Data-Based Side:

- *Deep neural networks* are nowadays often used for inverse problems.
- A *theoretical foundation* is still largely *missing*.

Combining Both Sides (Limited-Angle Tomography):

- Access and reconstruct the *visible part* using *shearlets*.
- Learn only the *invisible parts* with a *deep neural network*.



~~ Learning the Invisible (Lti)!

# First BMS Summer School of the new Research Center MATH<sup>+</sup>: Mathematics of Deep Learning (August 19–30, 2019)

## Speakers:

- Taco Cohen (Qualcomm)
- Francois Fleuret (IDIAP/EPFL)
- Eldad Haber (University of British Columbia)
- Robert Jenssen (Tromso)
- Andreas Krause (ETH Zurich)
- Gitta Kutyniok (TU Berlin)
- Ben Leimkuhler (University of Edinburgh)
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- Frank Noé (FU Berlin)
- Christof Schütte (FU Berlin/ZIB)
- Vladimir Spokoiny (HU Berlin/WIAS)
- Rene Vidal (Johns Hopkins Univ.)



## Goal of this BMS Summer School at the Zuse Institute Berlin:

This summer school will offer lectures on the theory of deep neural networks, on related questions such as generalization, expressivity, or explainability, as well as on applications of deep neural networks (e.g. to PDEs, inverse problems, or specific real-world problems).

## Webpage and Application (Deadline: April 8, 2019):

<http://www.mathplus.de/summer-school-2019/index.html>



# THANK YOU!

References available at:

[www.math.tu-berlin.de/~kutyniok](http://www.math.tu-berlin.de/~kutyniok)

Code available at:

[www.ShearLab.org](http://www.ShearLab.org)

Related Books:

- G. Kutyniok and D. Labate  
*Shearlets: Multiscale Analysis for Multivariate Data*  
Birkhäuser-Springer, 2012.
- P. Grohs and G. Kutyniok  
*Theory of Deep Learning*  
Cambridge University Press (in preparation)

