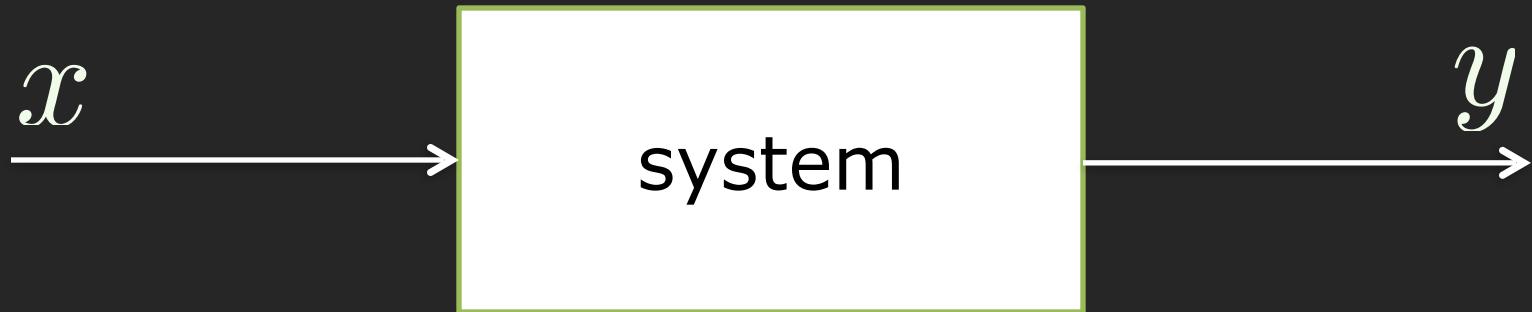


# Introduction to Compressive Sensing

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Given  $y$ , can we recovery  $x$  ?

# Under-determined problems

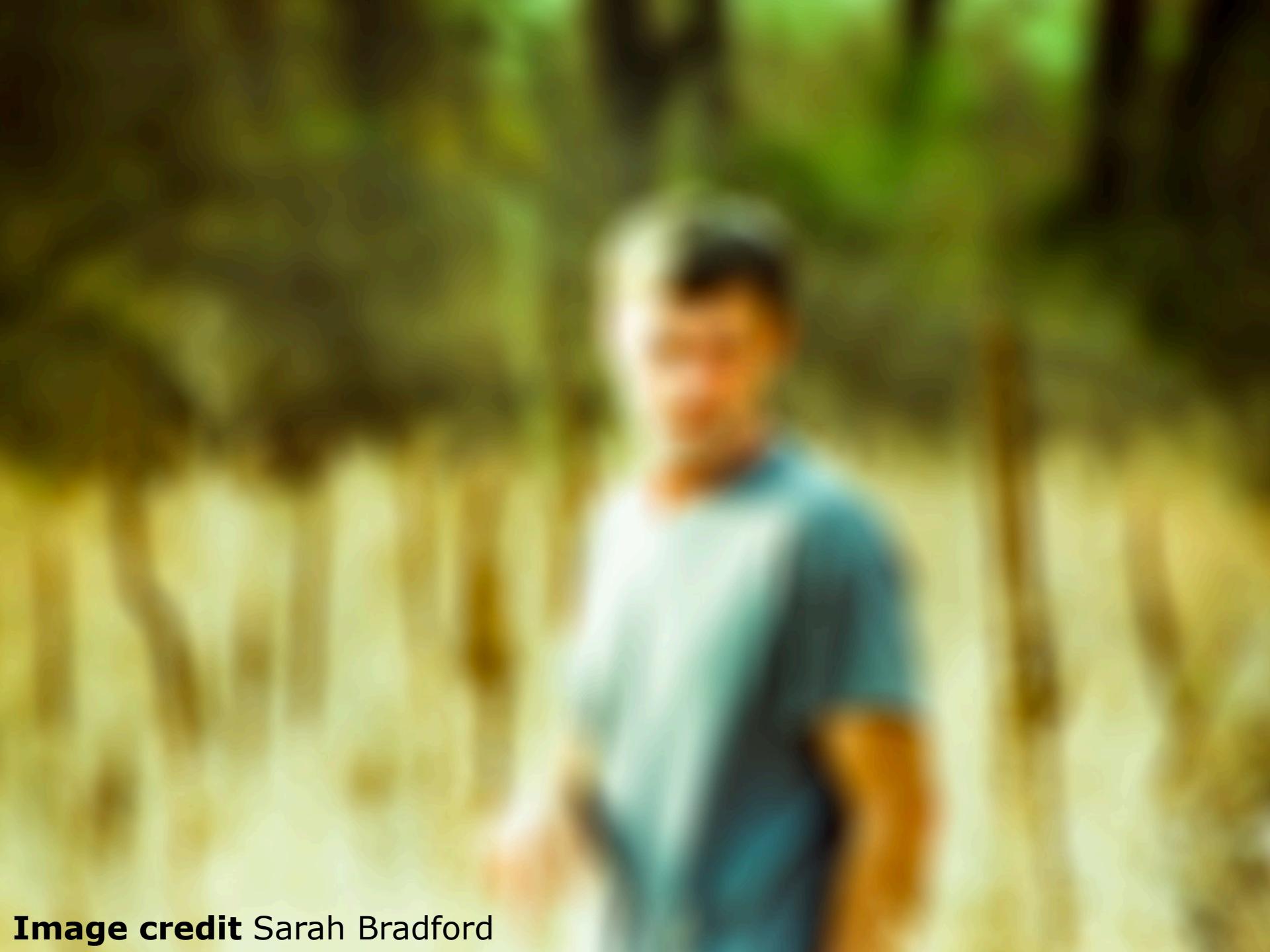
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A diagram illustrating the under-determined system equation  $y = \Phi x$ . On the left, a vertical vector  $y$  is labeled  $M \times 1$  measurements. In the center, an equals sign is followed by a measurement matrix  $\Phi$ , which is an  $M \times N$  grid of colored squares. On the right, a vertical vector  $x$  is labeled  $N \times 1$  signal.

If  $M < N$ , then the system is **information lossy**

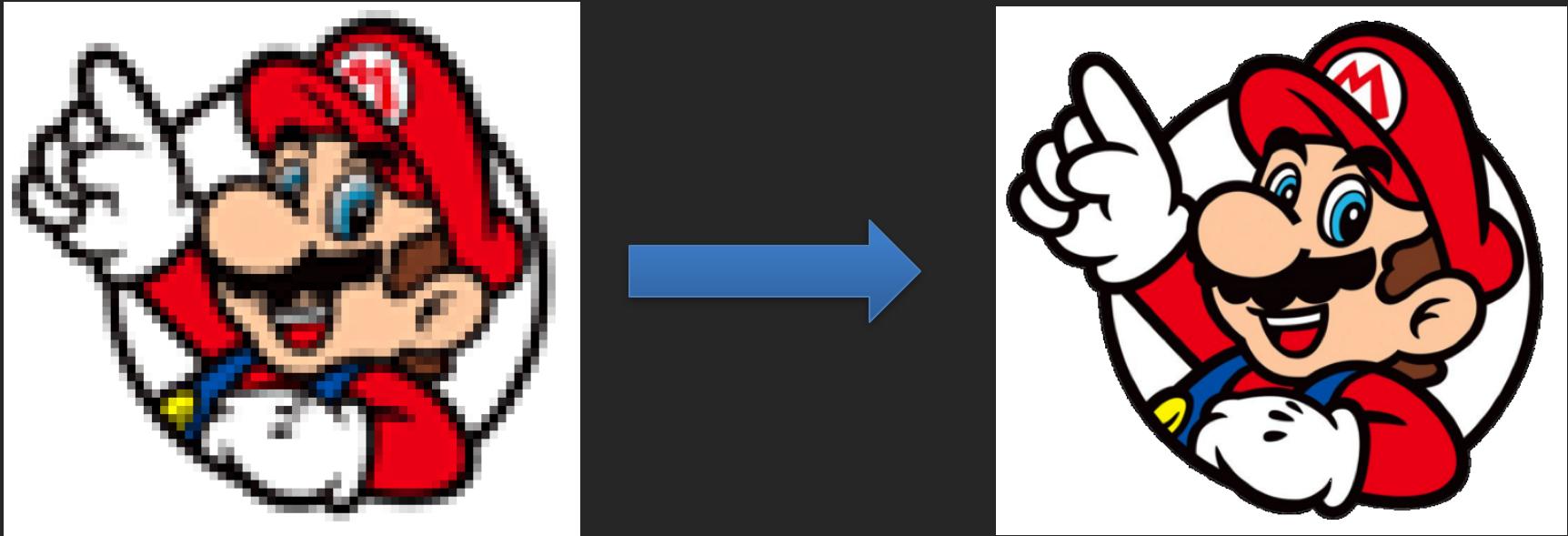


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# Super-resolution



Can we increase the resolution of this image ?

**(Link: Depixelizing pixel art)**

# Under-determined problems

$$y = \Phi x$$

$y$        $\Phi$        $x$

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measurements      measurement matrix      signal

Fewer knowns than unknowns!

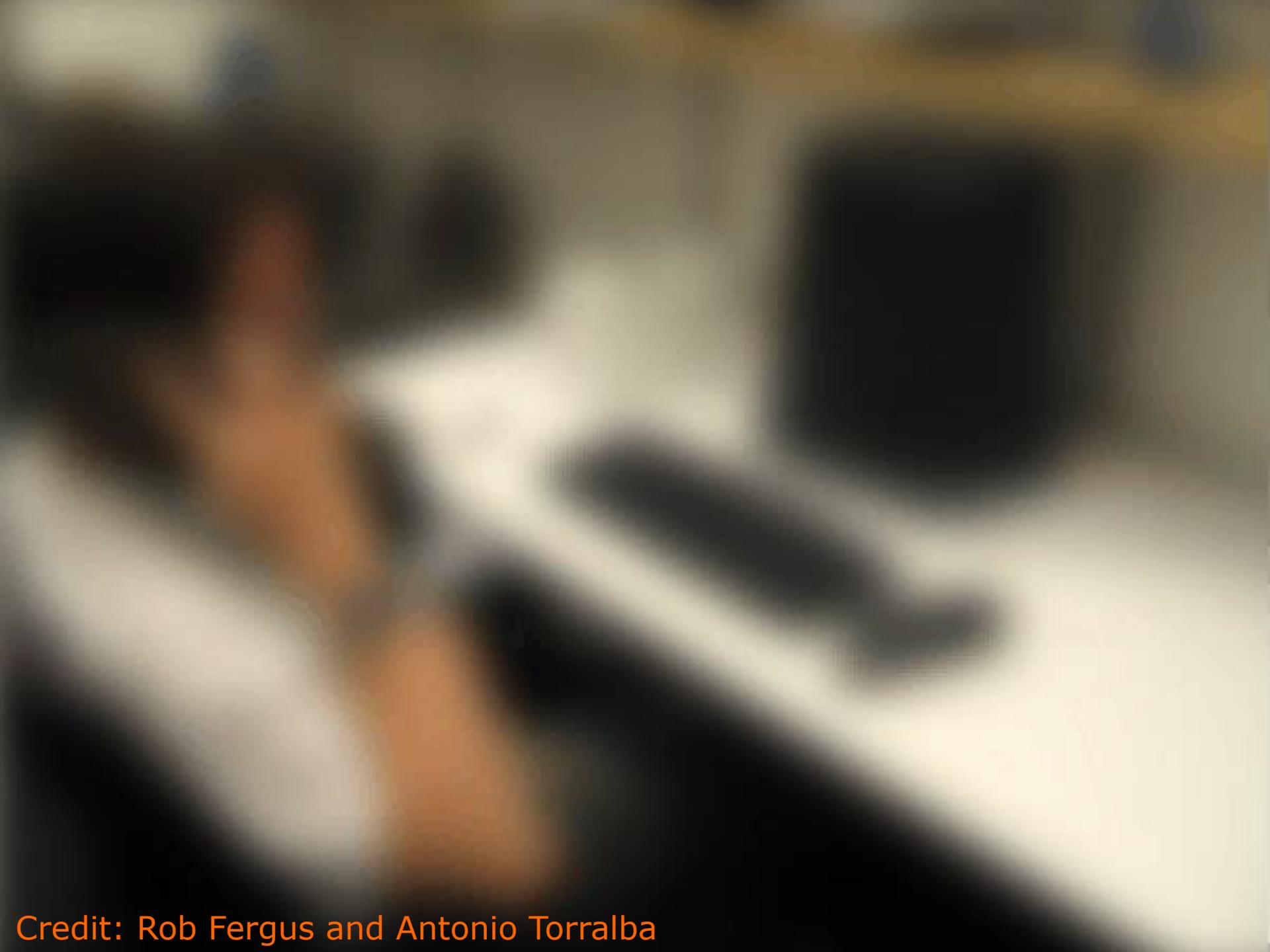
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An infinite number of solutions to such problems



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Is there anything we can do about this ?

# Complete the sentences

I cnt blv I m bl t rd ths sntnc.

Gv m frdm, r gv m dth

Hy, I m slvng n ndr-dtrmnd lnr systm.

**how: ?**

# Complete the matrix

5	3			7			
6			1	9	5		
	9	8				6	
8			6				3
4		8		3			1
7			2				6
	6				2	8	
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how: ?

# Complete the image



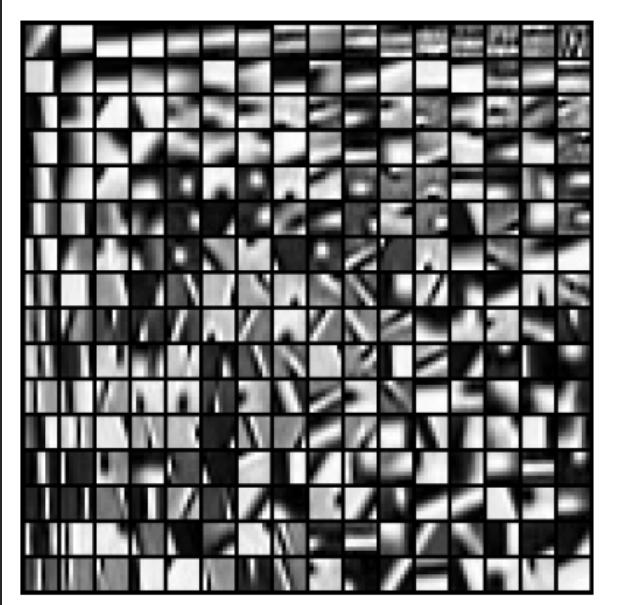
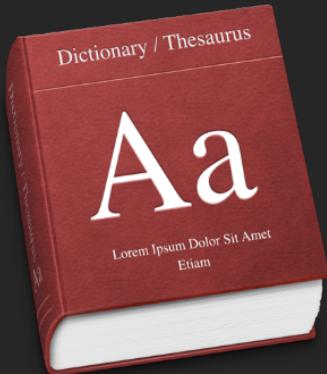
**Model ?**

# Dictionary of visual words

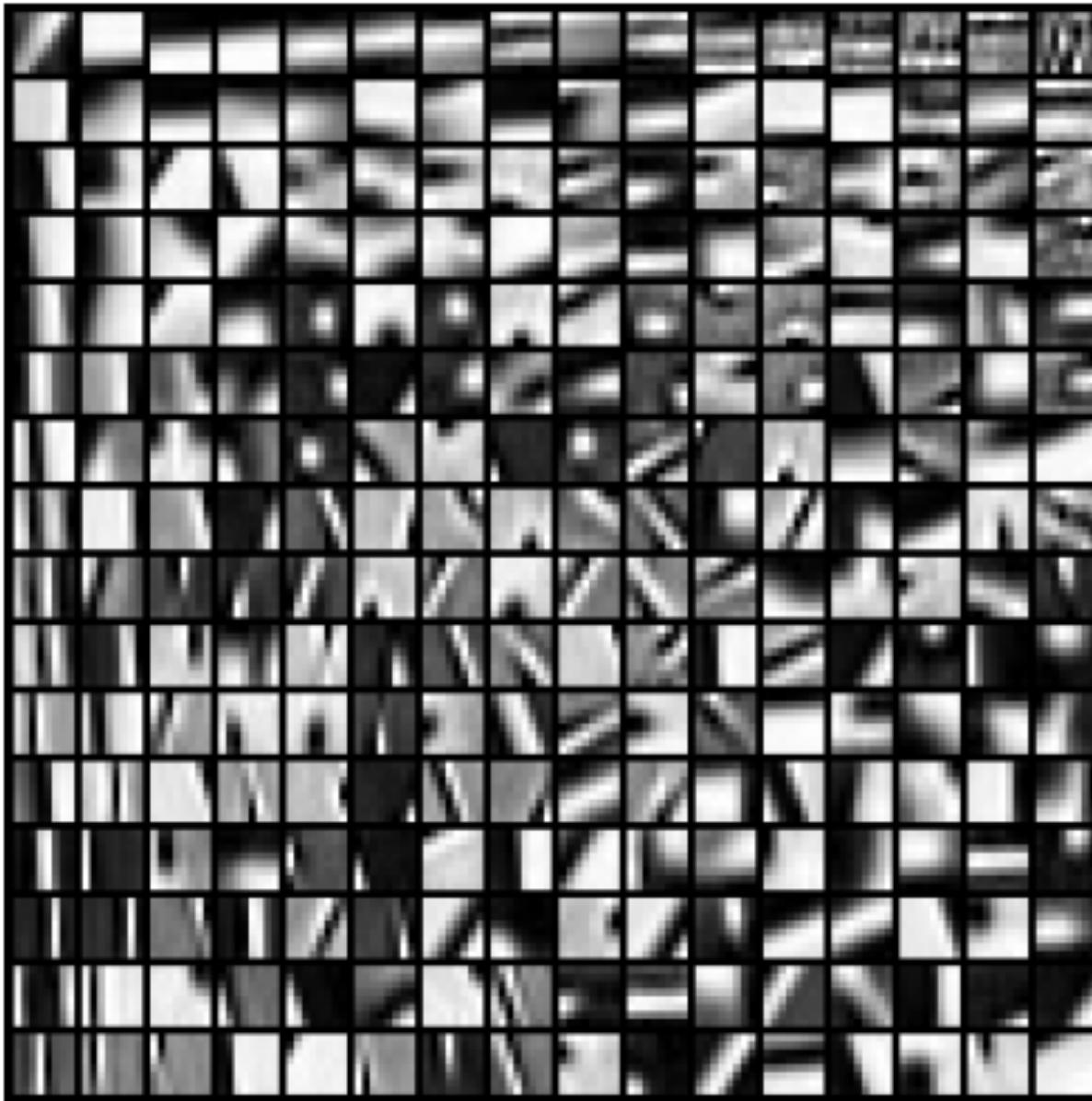
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# Dictionary of visual words





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**Result**  
Studer, Baraniuk, ACHA 2012

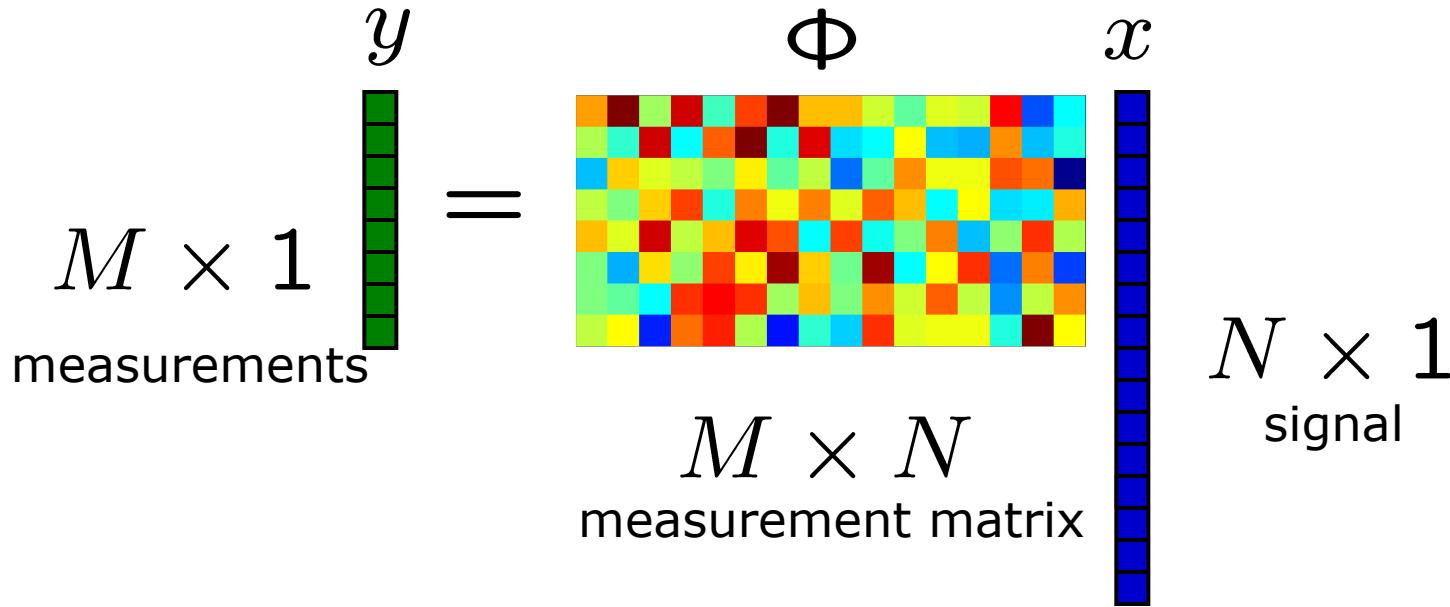
# Compressive Sensing

$$y = \Phi x$$

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$M \times 1$        $M \times N$        $N \times 1$

measurements      measurement matrix      signal



The diagram illustrates the Compressive Sensing equation  $y = \Phi x$ . It features three vertical vectors: a green vector  $y$  labeled "measurements" (size  $M \times 1$ ), a blue vector  $x$  labeled "signal" (size  $N \times 1$ ), and a multi-colored matrix  $\Phi$  labeled "measurement matrix" (size  $M \times N$ ). The matrix  $\Phi$  is composed of small colored squares in various patterns.

A toolset to solve **under-determined systems** by exploiting additional structure/models on the signal we are trying to recover.

# Key Theoretical Ideas in Compressive Sensing

# Linear Inverse Problems

- Many classic problems in computer can be posed as linear inverse problems

- Notation

- **Signal** of interest

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

- **Observations**

$$\boldsymbol{y} \in \mathbb{R}^M$$

- Measurement model

$$\boldsymbol{y} = \Phi \boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

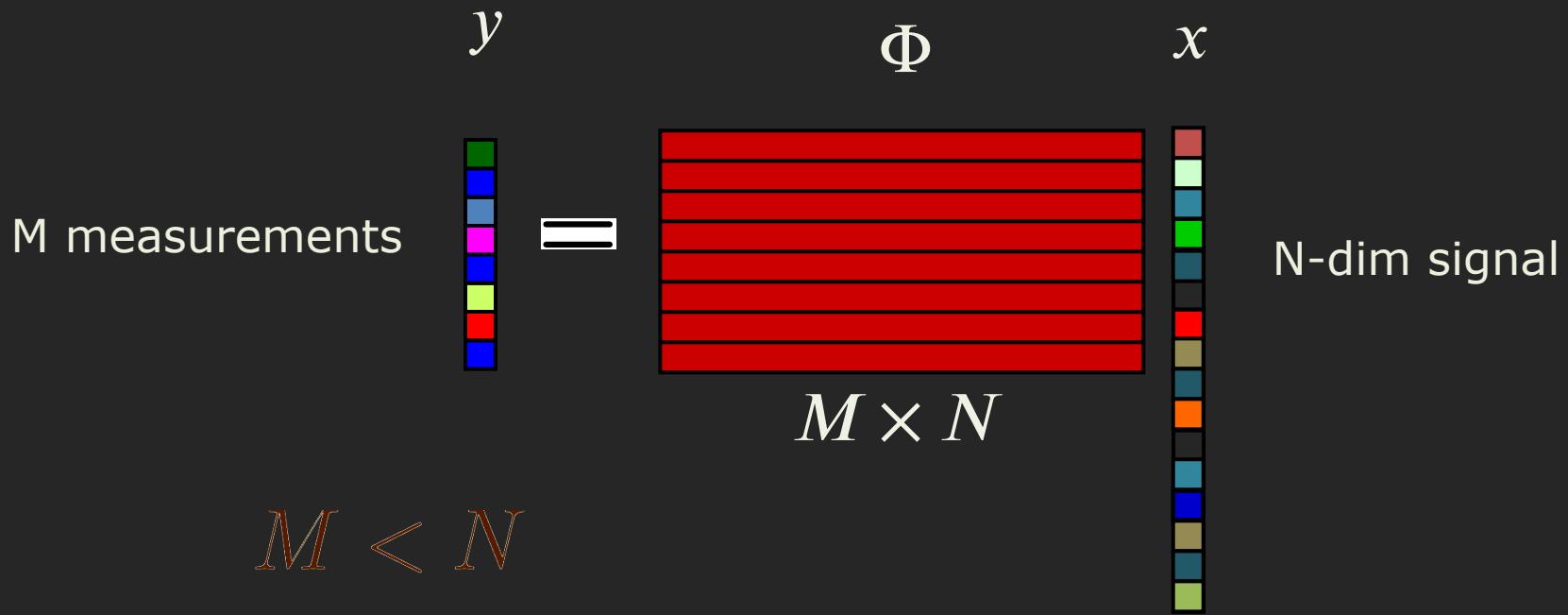
measurement  
matrix

measurement  
noise

- Problem definition: given  $\boldsymbol{y}$ , recover  $\boldsymbol{x}$

# Linear Inverse Problems

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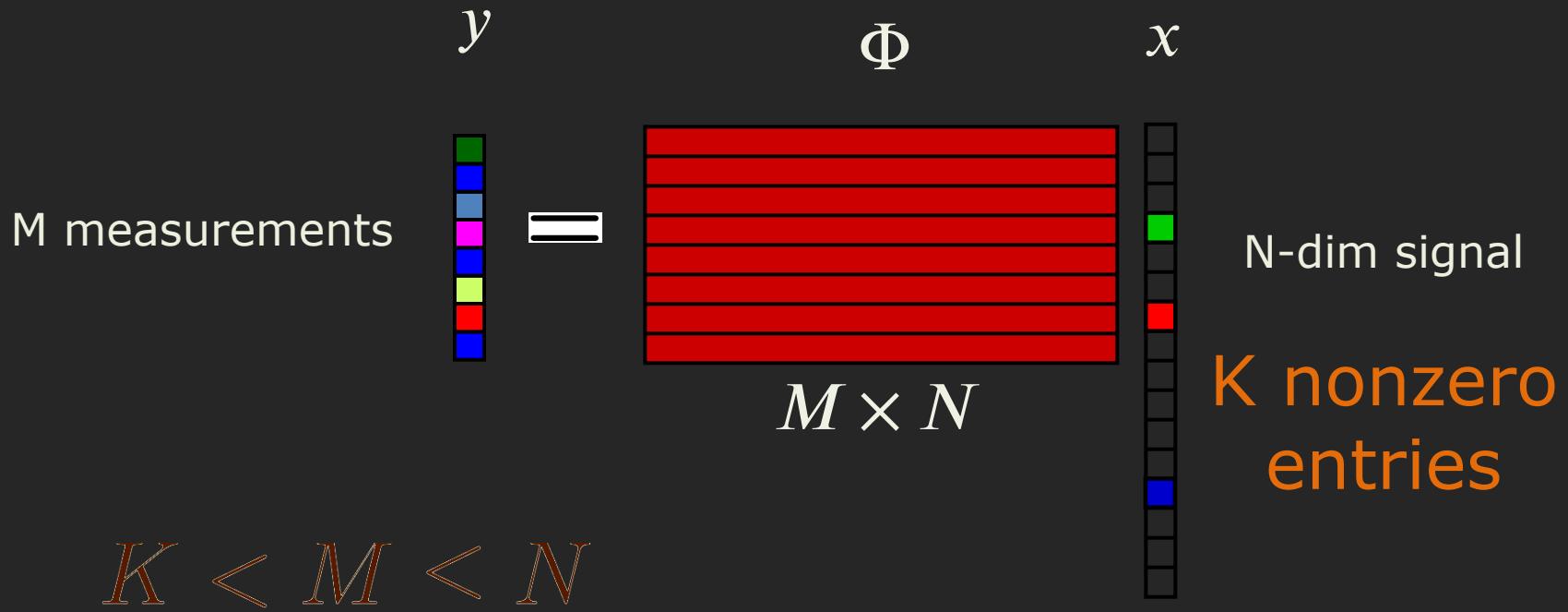


Measurement matrix has a  $(N-M)$  dimensional **null-space**

Solution is no longer **unique**

# Sparse Signals

$$y = \Phi x$$



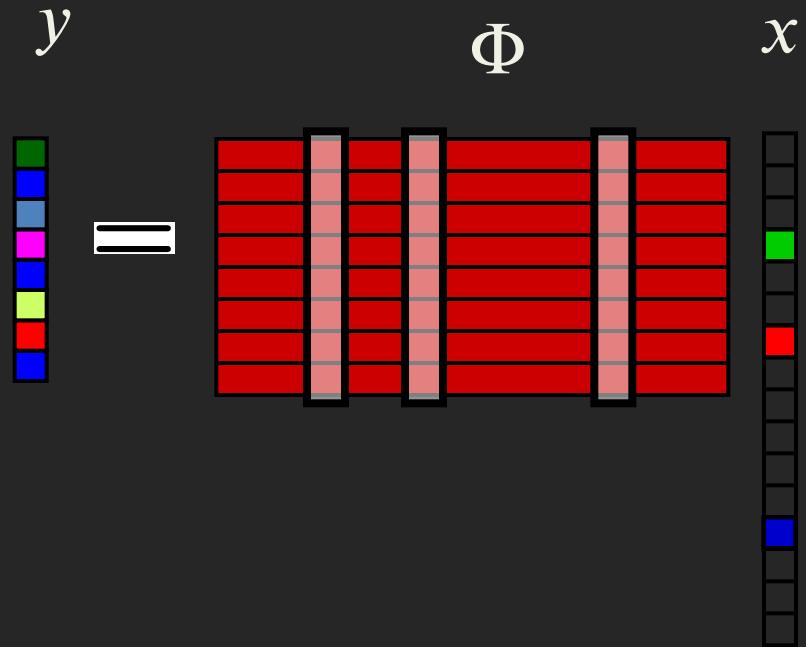
$$K < M \leq N$$

# How Can It Work?

- Matrix  $\Phi$   
not full rank...

$$M < N$$

... and so  
loses information in general



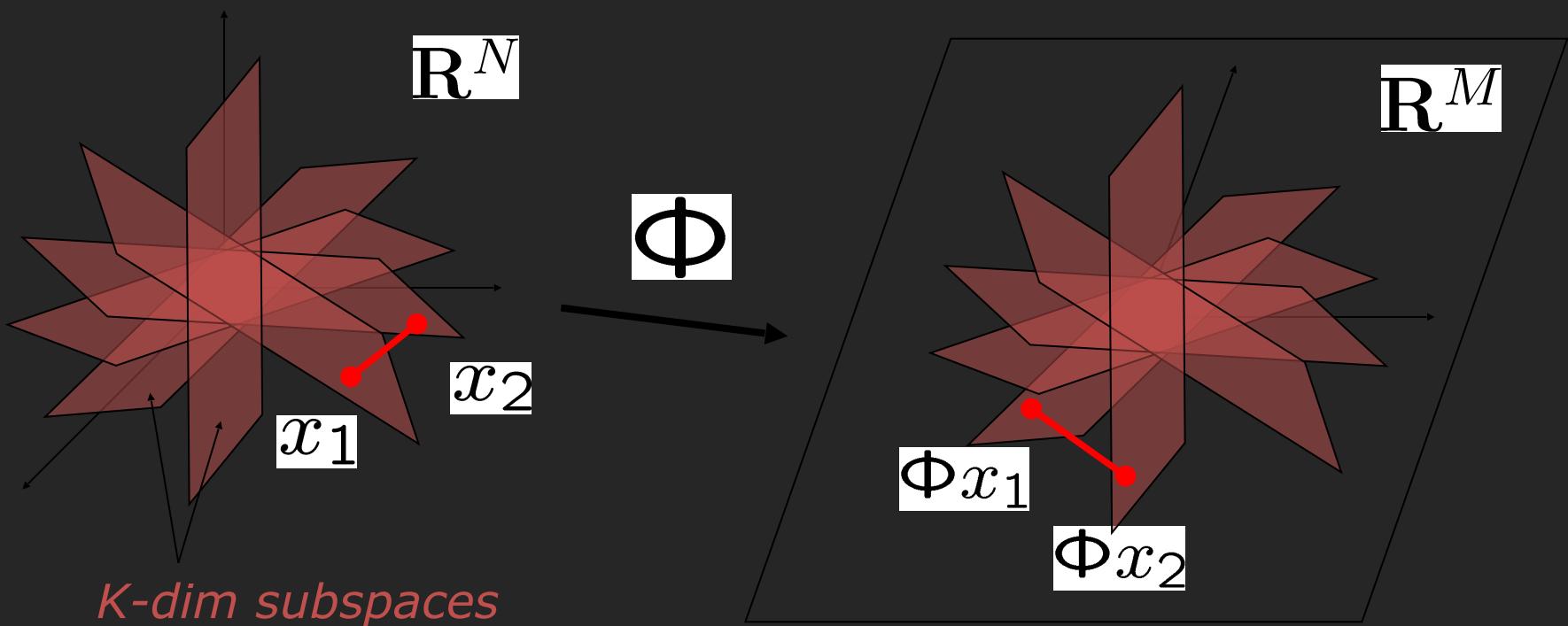
- **But we are only interested in recovering sparse signals**

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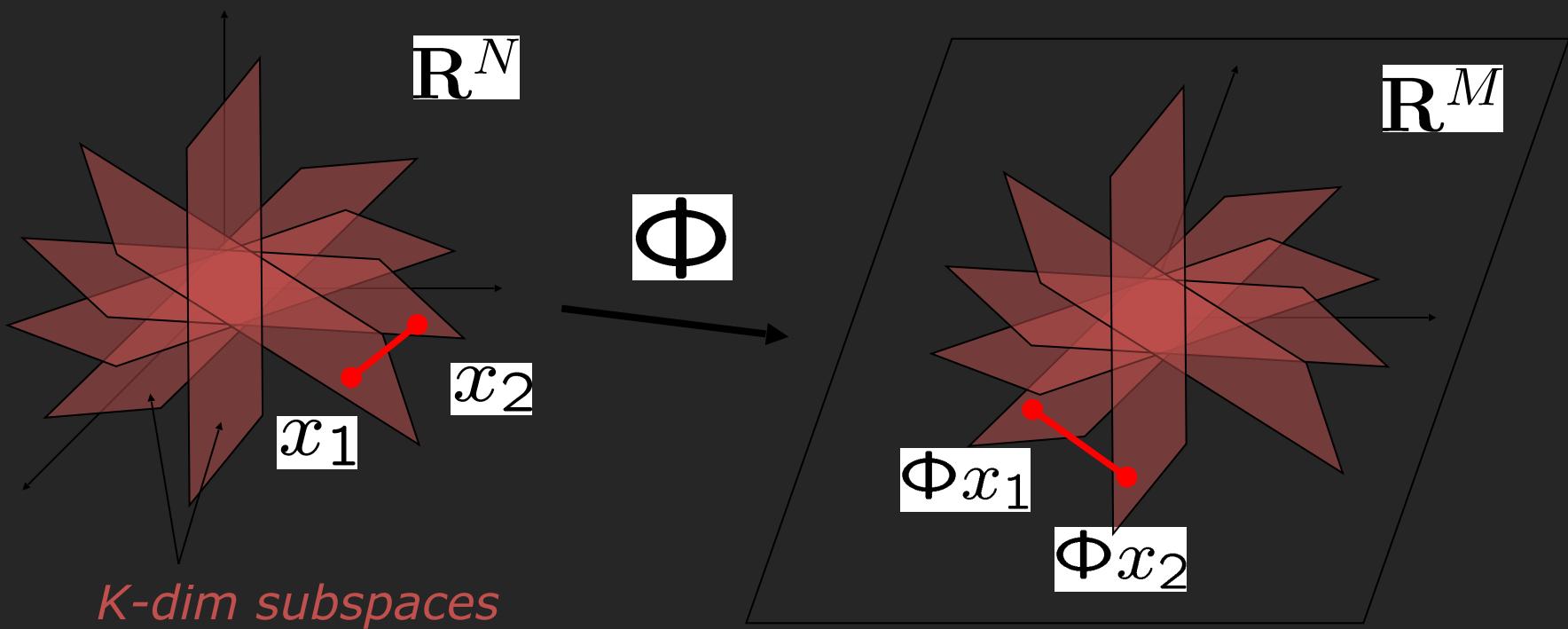
- Idea 1 --- An invertible mapping on the space of sparse signals!!!
- Design  $\Phi$  such that no two sparse signals  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  such that  $\Phi x_1 = \Phi x_2$



# Restricted Isometry Property (RIP)

- RIP of order  $2K$  implies: for all  $K$ -sparse  $x_1$  and  $x_2$

$$(1 - \delta_{2K}) \leq \frac{\|\Phi x_1 - \Phi x_2\|_2^2}{\|x_1 - x_2\|_2^2} \leq (1 + \delta_{2K})$$

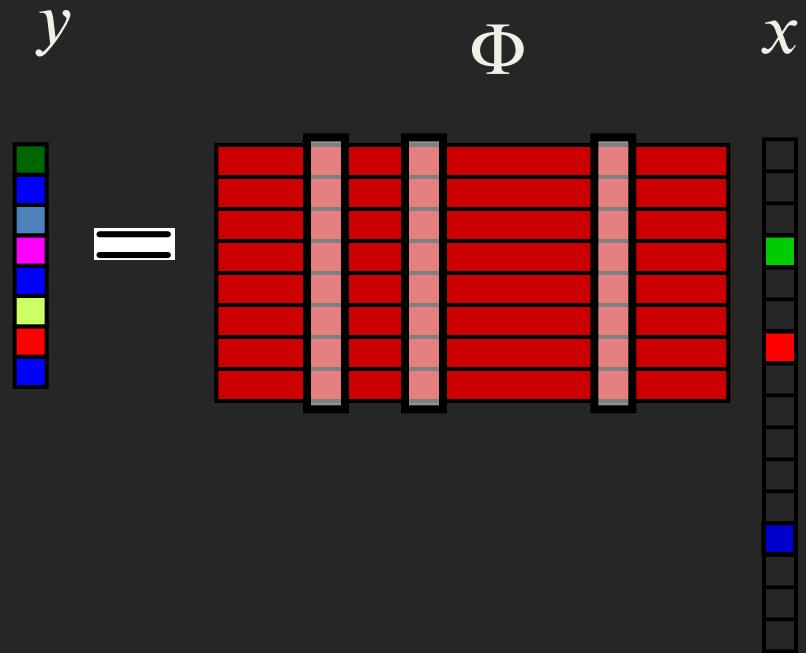


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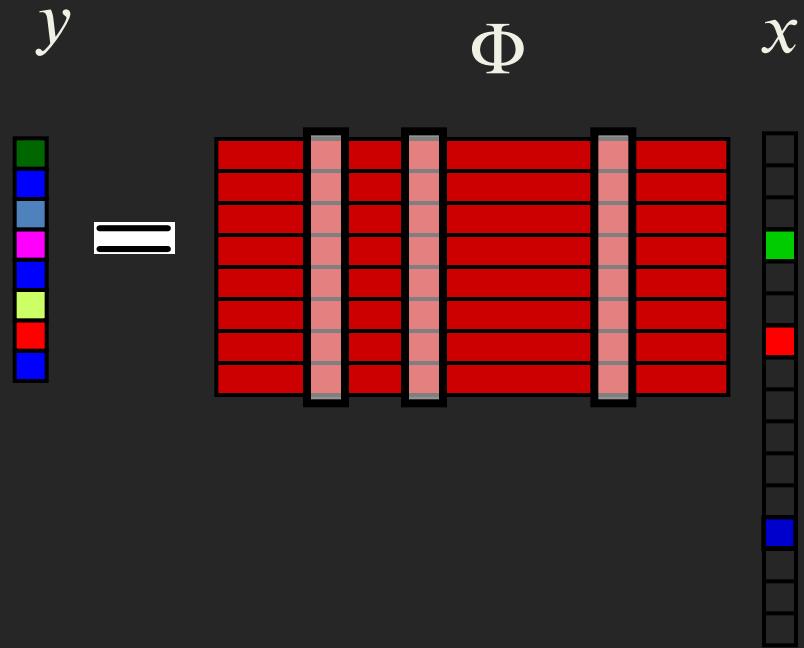
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- Random measurements provide RIP with  $M \sim K \log(N/K)$

# Two Key Ideas

- Idea 1 --- An invertible mapping on the space of sparse signals!!!
- Idea 2 --- Recovery of signals: use sparse priors!

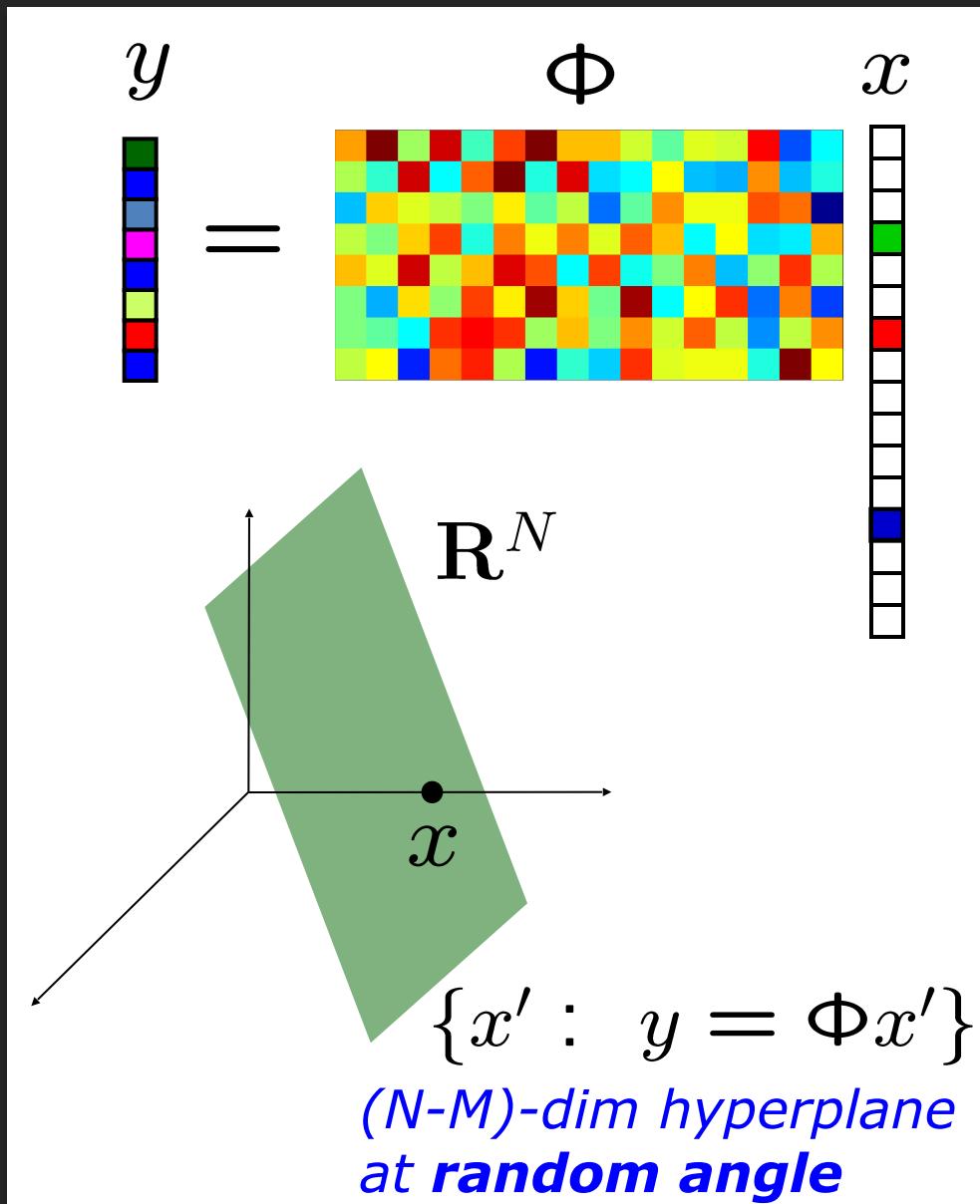
# CS Signal Recovery

- Random projection  $\Phi$  not full rank

- Recovery problem:  
given  $y = \Phi x$   
find  $x$

- **Null space**

- Search in null space  
for the “sparsest”  $x$



# $\ell_1$ Signal Recovery

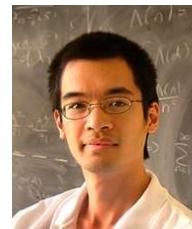
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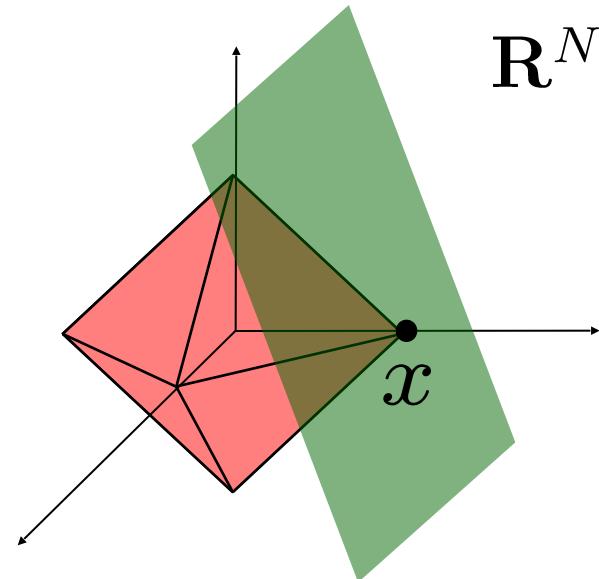
Tao



Donoho

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(linear programming)



# Compressive Sensing

Let.  $y = \Phi x_0 + e$

$$\hat{x} = \arg \min_x \|x\|_1 \quad s.t. \quad \|y - \Phi x\|_2 \leq \|e\|$$

If  $\Phi$  satisfies RIP with  $\delta_{2K} \leq \sqrt{2} - 1$ ,

Then

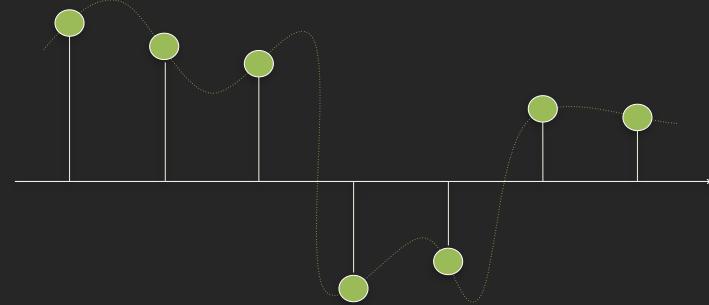
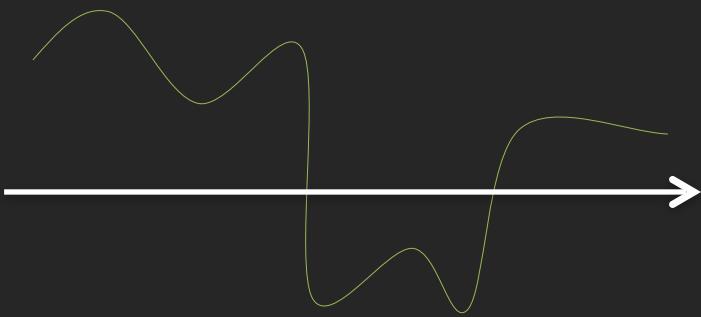
$$\|\hat{x} - x_0\|_1 \leq C_1 \|e\|_2 + C_2 \|x_0 - x_{0,K}\|_2 / \sqrt{K}$$



**Best K-sparse approximation**

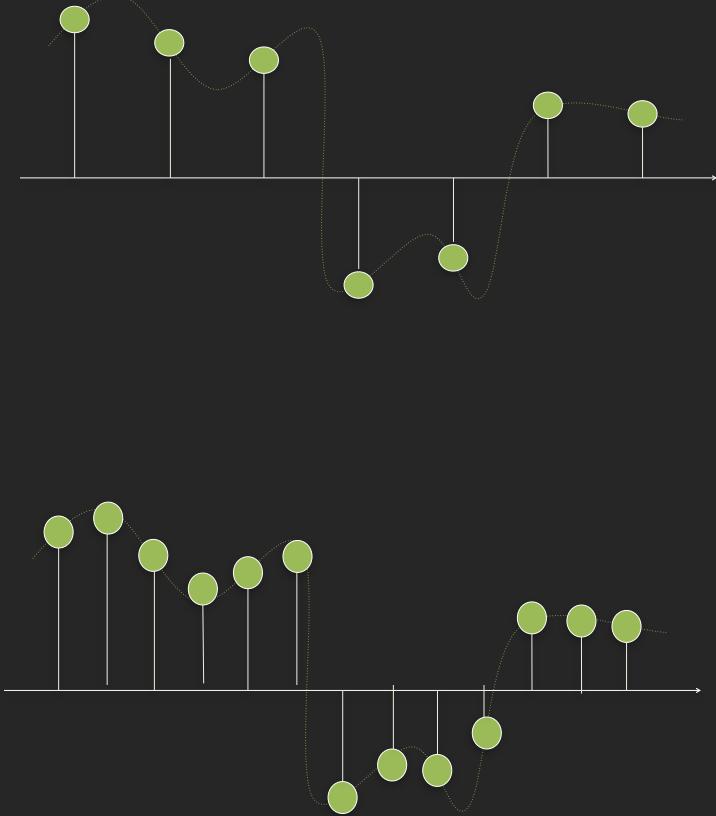
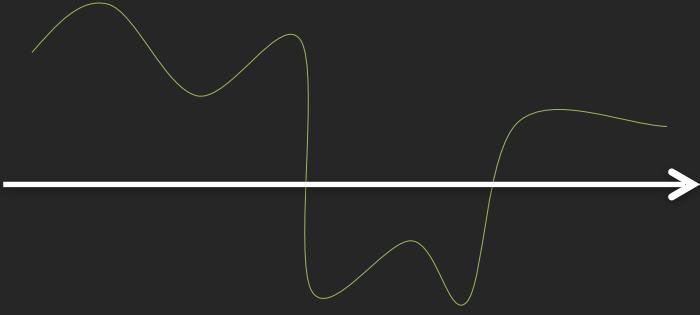
modern sensors are linear systems!!!

# Sampling



Can we recover the analog signal from its discrete time samples ?

# Nyquist Theorem



An analog signal can be reconstructed perfectly from discrete samples *provided you sample it densely*.

# The Nyquist Recipe

sample faster

sample denser

the more you sample,  
the more detail is preserved

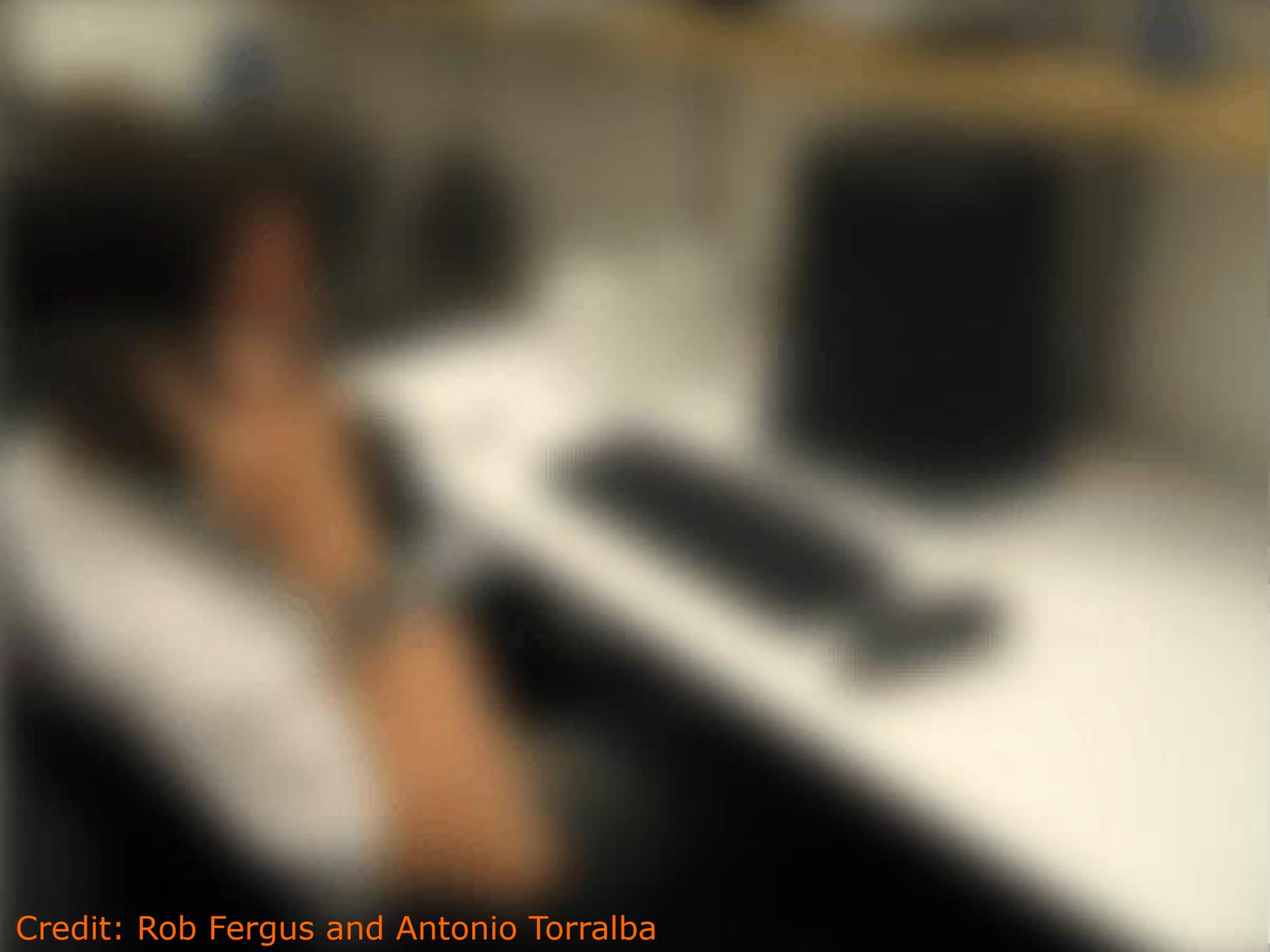
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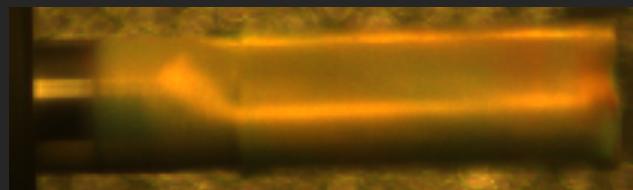
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# Breaking resolution barriers

- Observing a 2000 fps spinning tool with a 25 fps camera

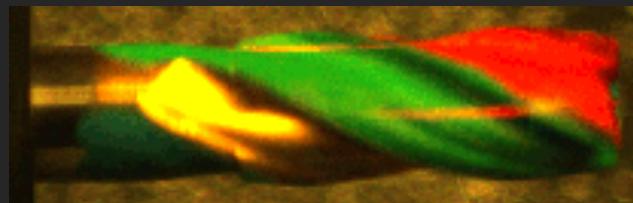
Normal Video:  
25fps



Compressively  
obtained video:  
25fps



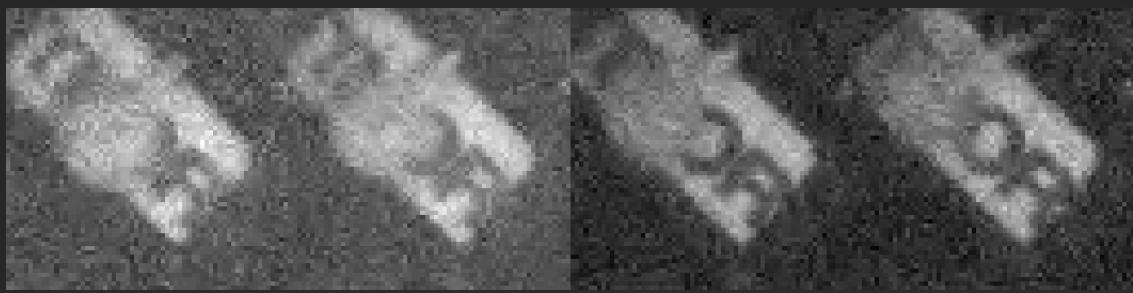
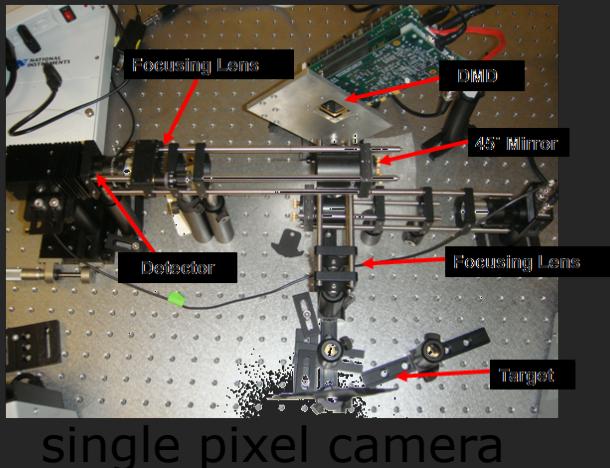
Recovered Video:  
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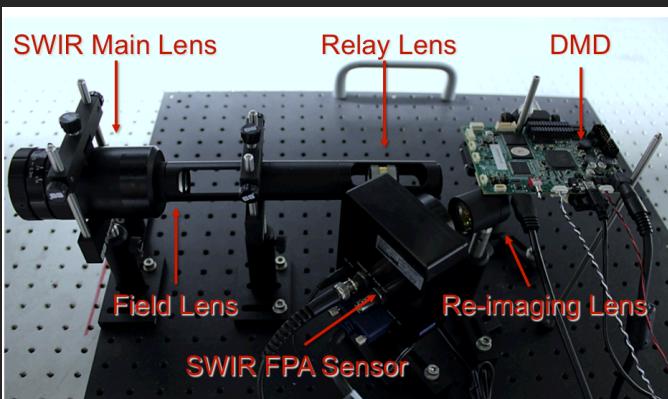
# Compressive Sensing

Use of **motion flow-models** in the context of compressive video recovery

**128x128 images sensed at 61x comp.**



# Compressive Imaging Architectures



Scalable imaging architectures that deliver videos at **mega-pixel resolutions** in infrared

visible image



SWIR image



A mega-pixel image obtained from a 64x64 pixel array sensor



What you must learn is that these rules are no different than the rules of a computer system. Some of them can be bent. Others can be broken.