

# Sparsity-inducing bases for compressive sensing

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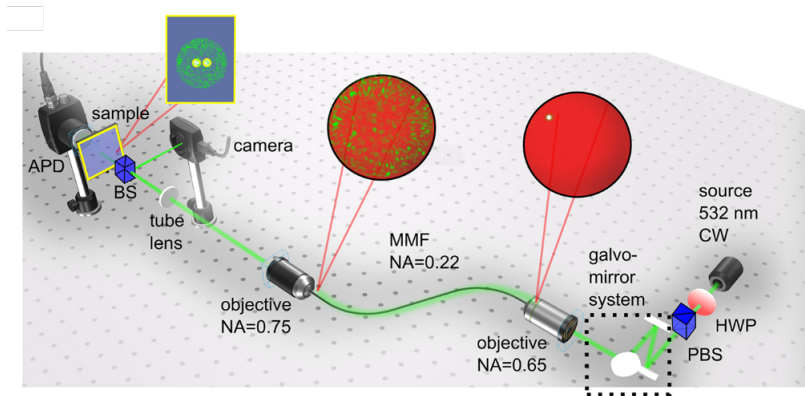
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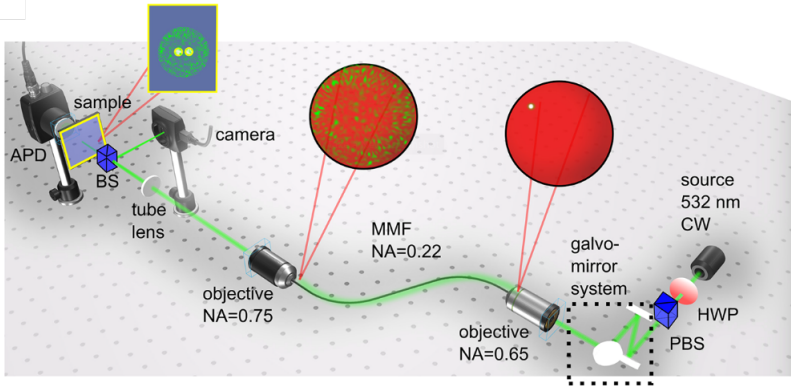


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$$y = \sum_{j=1}^{n^2} a_j \cdot x_j = \langle a, x \rangle$$

$$y_i = \langle a_i, x \rangle$$

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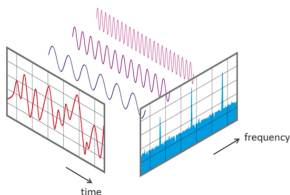
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**Goal:** GPSR performs better when  $x$  is sparse, so we try to find  $B$  such that  $Bx$  is sparse.



$$x_k^c = \sum_{n=0}^{M-1} x_n \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{M}\left(n + \frac{1}{2}\right)k\right)$$

$$x^c = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2M}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{3\pi}{2M}\right) & \dots & \cos\left(\frac{(M-\frac{1}{2})\pi}{M}\right) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \cos\left(\frac{(M-1)\pi}{2M}\right) & \cos\left(\frac{(M-1)3\pi}{2M}\right) & \dots & \cos\left(\frac{(M-1)(M-\frac{1}{2})\pi}{M}\right) \end{bmatrix} x$$

$$X^c = C(CX^T)^T$$

Row 1

Row 2

Row 3

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

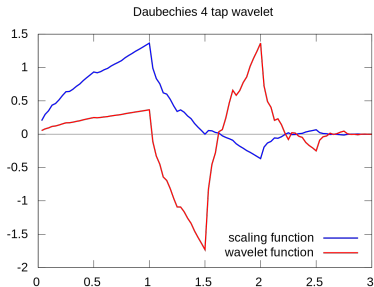
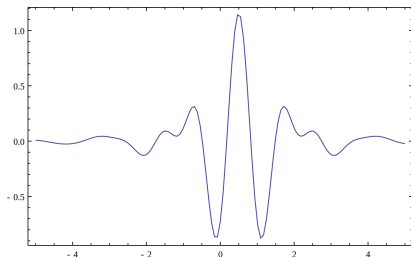
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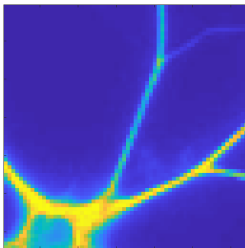
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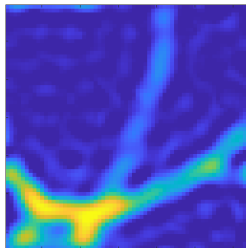
Using four different transforms  $B^{-1}$ :

- i  $B^{-1} = I$ , no transformation,
- ii  $B^{-1} = C^{-1} \otimes C^{-1}$ , with  $C$  the discrete cosine transformation matrix,
- iii  $B^{-1} = W^{-1} \otimes W^{-1}$ , with  $W$  the Daubechies-4 wavelet transformation matrix,
- iv  $B^{-1} = (C \otimes C)(W^{-1} \otimes W^{-1})$ , with  $C$  and  $W$  the same as above.

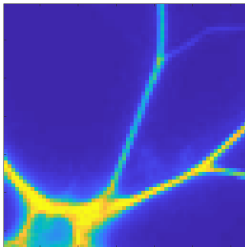
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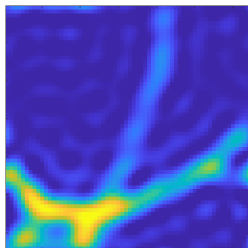
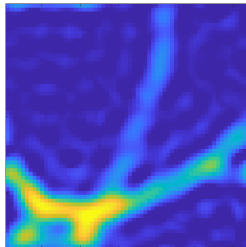
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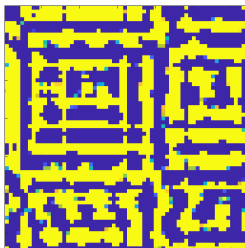
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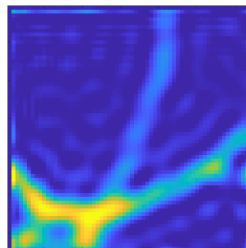
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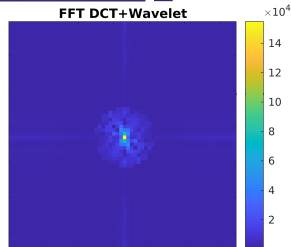
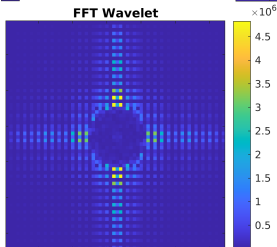
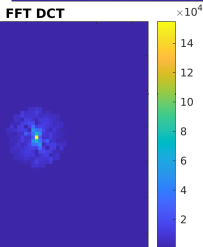
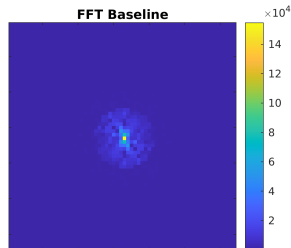
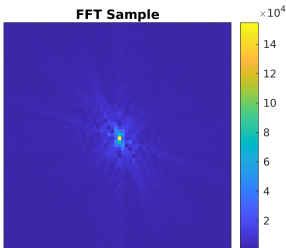
DCT



Wavelet



DCT + Wavelet

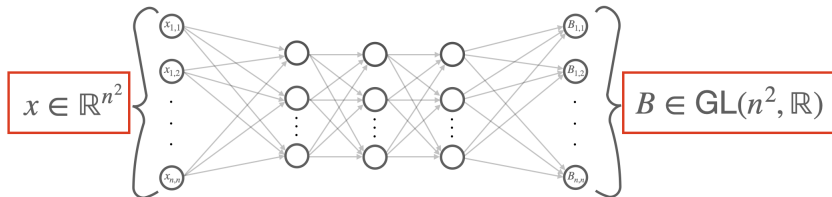


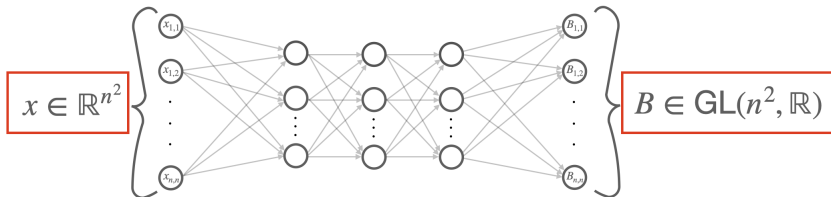
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**Machine learning approach:** train a neural network with sparsity-inducing loss function that preserves orthogonality with flattened training samples  $x$  as input.







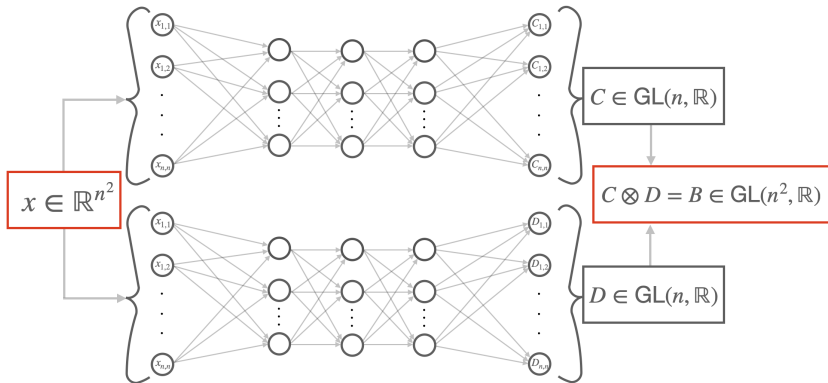
- i  $loss_{sparse}[Bx] = \sum_i \sqrt{(Bx)_i^2 + \epsilon} \approx \|Bx\|_1, \quad \epsilon > 0 \text{ (small)}.$
- ii  $loss_{orth.}[B] = \|BB^\top - I_n\|_2^2 = \text{MSE}(BB^\top - I_n).$

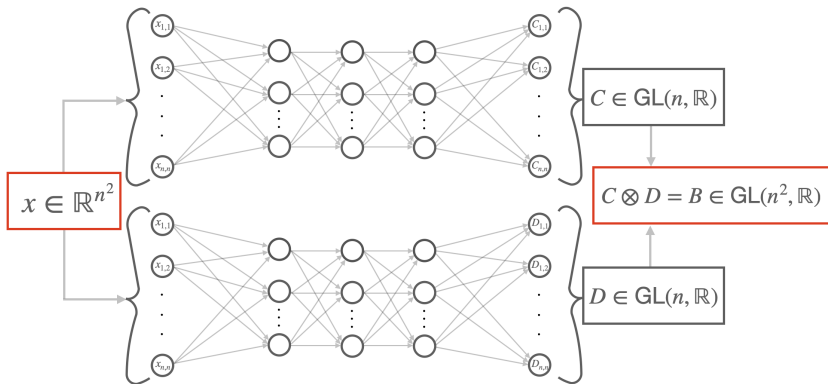
Let  $C = [c_{ij}]_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $D = [d_{ij}]_{i,j} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ .

The Kronecker product of  $C$  and  $D$  is defined as,

$$B := C \otimes D = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11}D & c_{12}D & \dots & c_{1n}D \\ c_{21}D & c_{22}D & \dots & c_{2n}D \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ c_{n1}D & c_{n2}D & \dots & c_{nn}D \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n^2 \times n^2}.$$

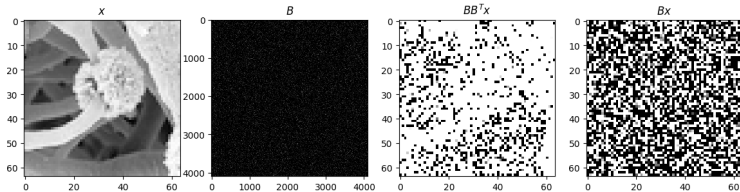
# Two linked neural networks





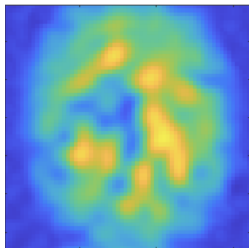
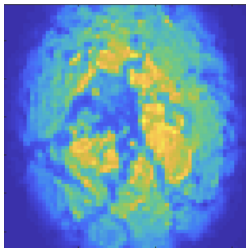
$$\text{loss}(x; C, D) = \text{loss}_{\text{sparse}}[(C \otimes D)x] + \alpha (\text{loss}_{\text{orth.}}[C] + \text{loss}_{\text{orth.}}[D])$$

$$= \sum_i \sqrt{[(C \otimes D)x]_i^2 + \epsilon} + \alpha (\|CC^\top - I_n\|_2^2 + \|DD^\top - I_n\|_2^2).$$

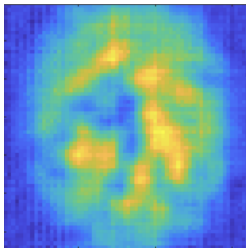


Iteration: 100  
Sparsity  $x$ : 1  
Sparsity  $Bx$ : 1993

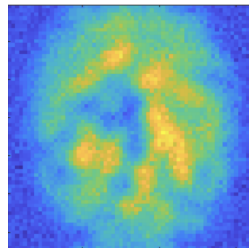
Sample



Identity B



Kronecker B



Regular B

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Correlation

0.93939

0.93393

0.9267

S.similarity

0.52892

0.47649

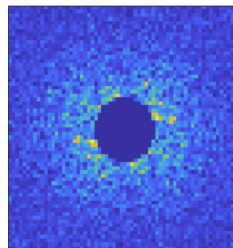
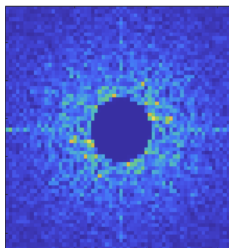
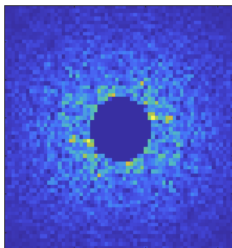
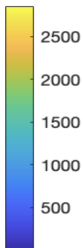
0.44159

FFT error

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1462938.2558

1640305.0802





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Questions?

2*Astrocyte	GPSR Output		Recovered Image	
	corr2	ssim	corr2	ssim
Baseline	NA	NA	0.91749	0.25872
DCT	0.94775	0.00716	0.92562	0.27034
DAUB4	-0.03108	-8.2600-05	-0.02966	-1.3560-05
DAUB4 + DCT	0.94489	0.23078	0.90678	0.23078

**Table:** 2D Correlation and the Structural similarity of the recovered sample/image using the different transformations on the  $64 \times 64$  Astrocyte sample.

