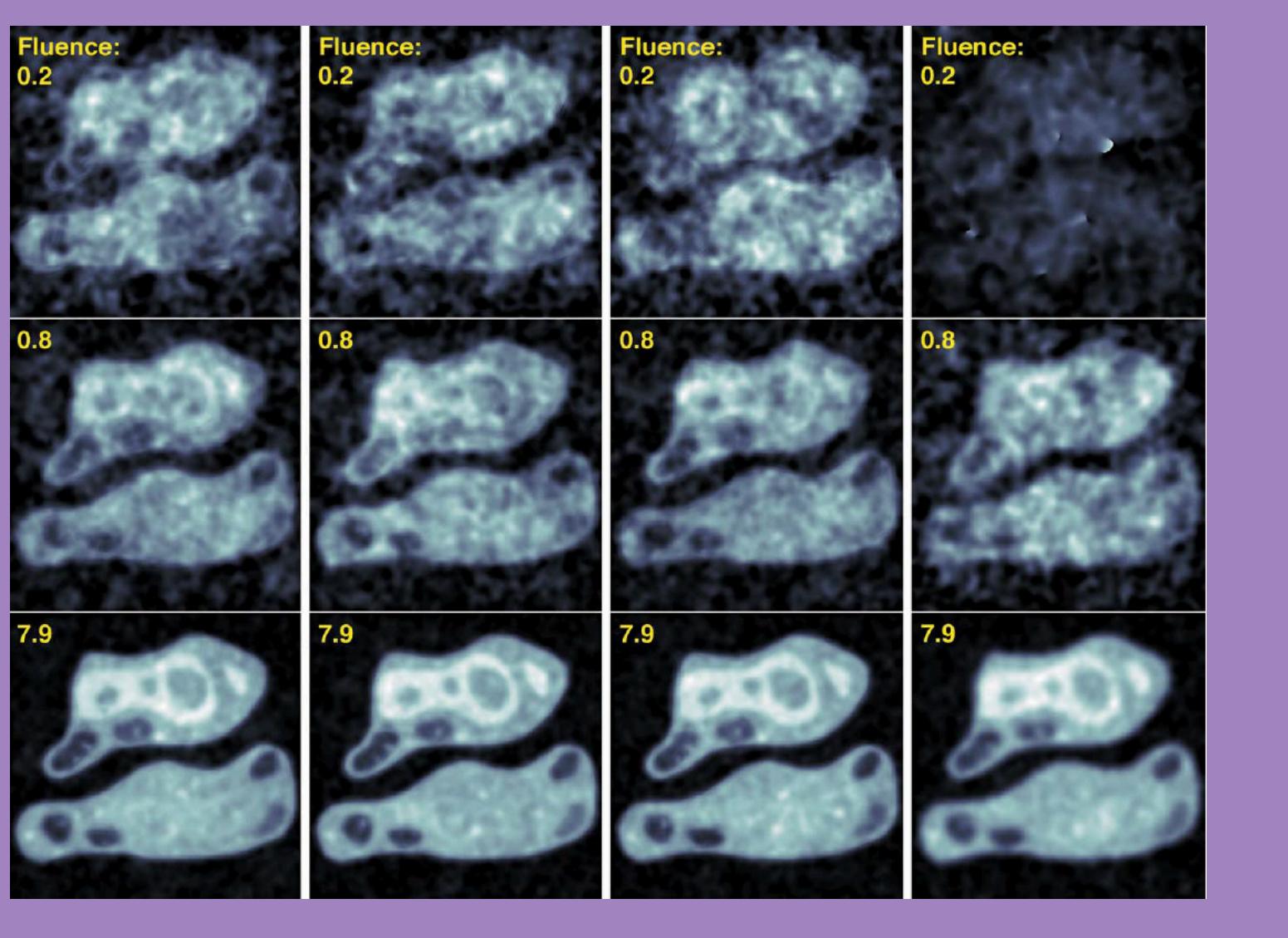


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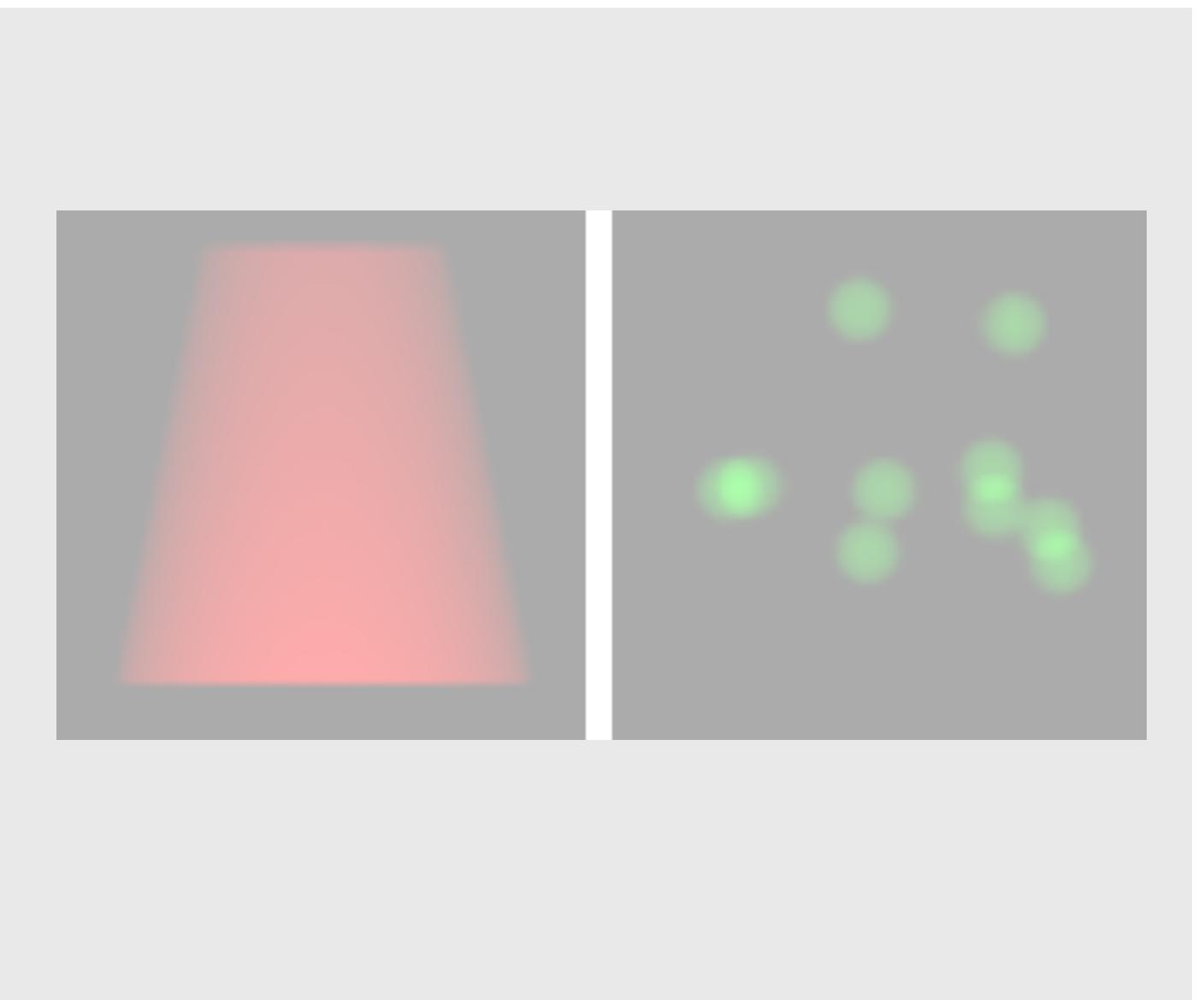
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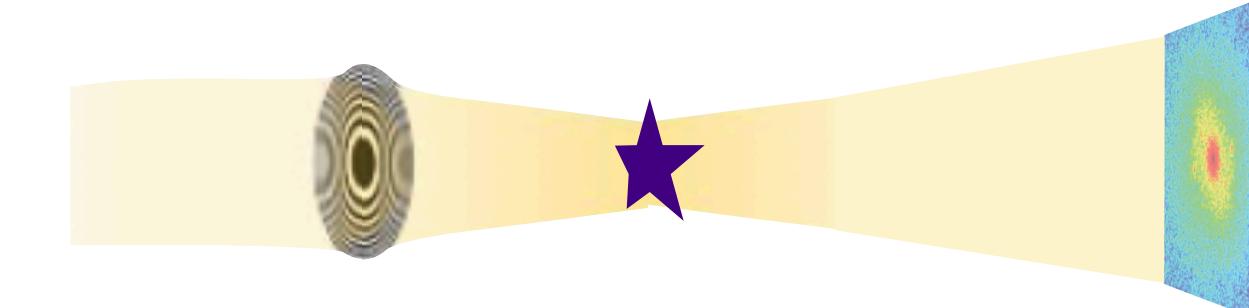
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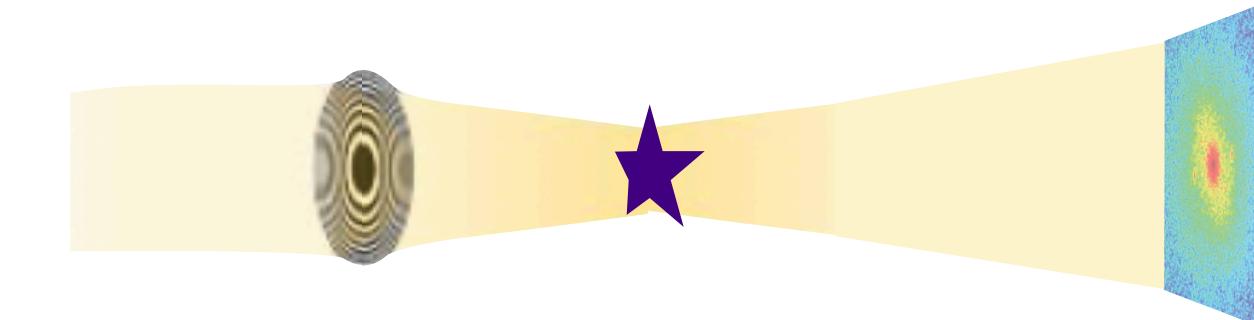
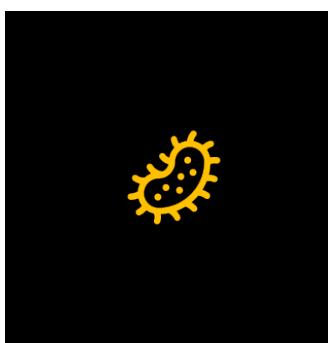
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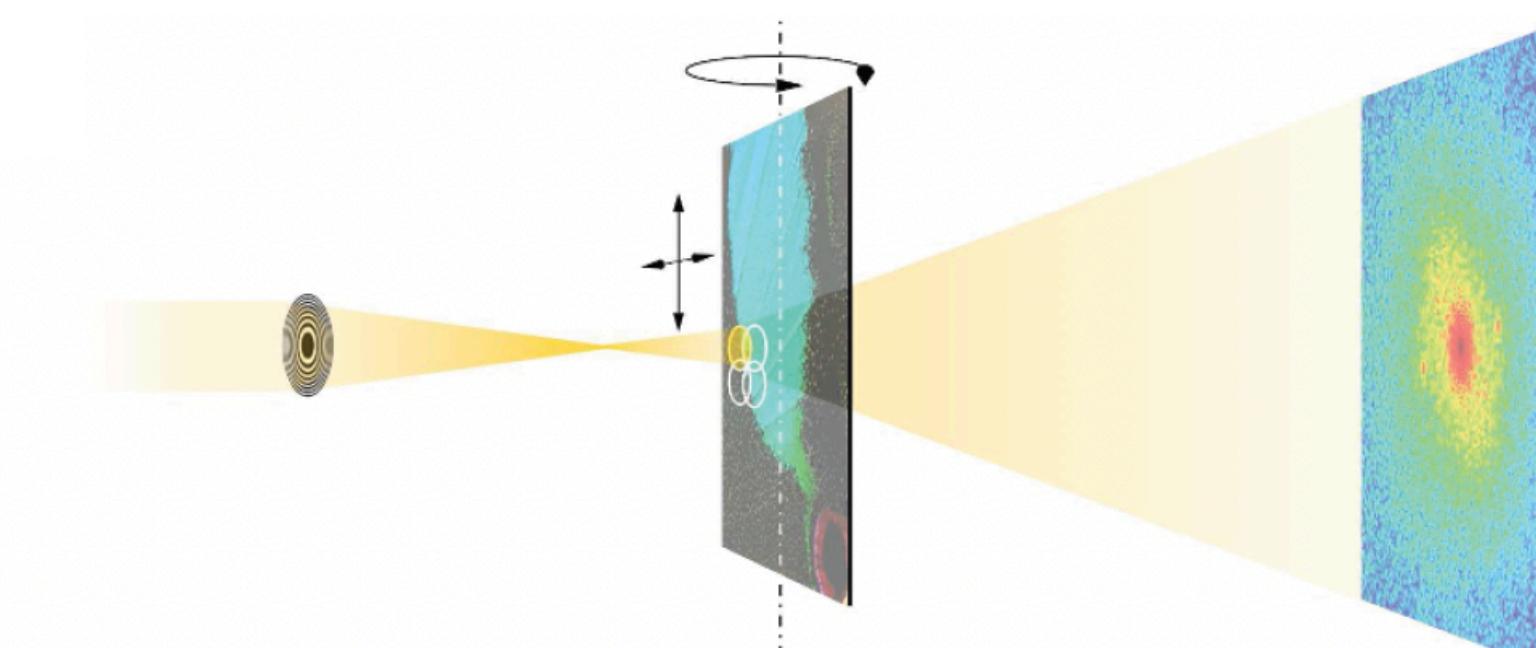
Fienup algorithm:
Iterative method of retrieving the phase

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Ptychography

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object



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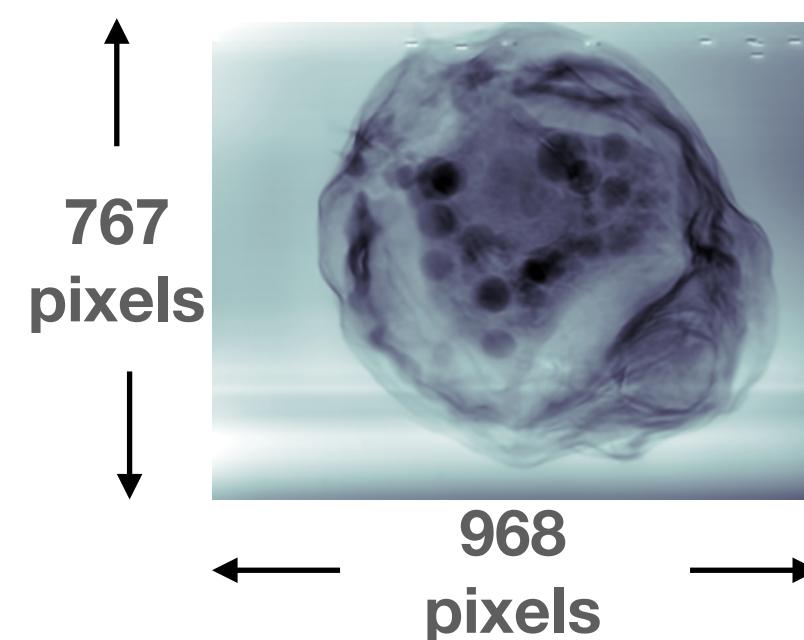
Ptychography

- Use large overlapping area between probes to retrieve the object function
- Object function can be solved iteratively
- Huge data size compared to the object size to be solved.
- Example [1]:

Number of scanning positions: $201 \times 221 = 44,421$

Each diffraction pattern: 256^2 pixels, 16-bit data

$$\frac{\text{data size}}{\text{object size}} = \frac{5.18 \text{ GBs}}{1.4 \text{ MBs}} = 3740$$



[1] Deng, J. *et al.*, Scientific Reports, 7(1), 445 (2017)

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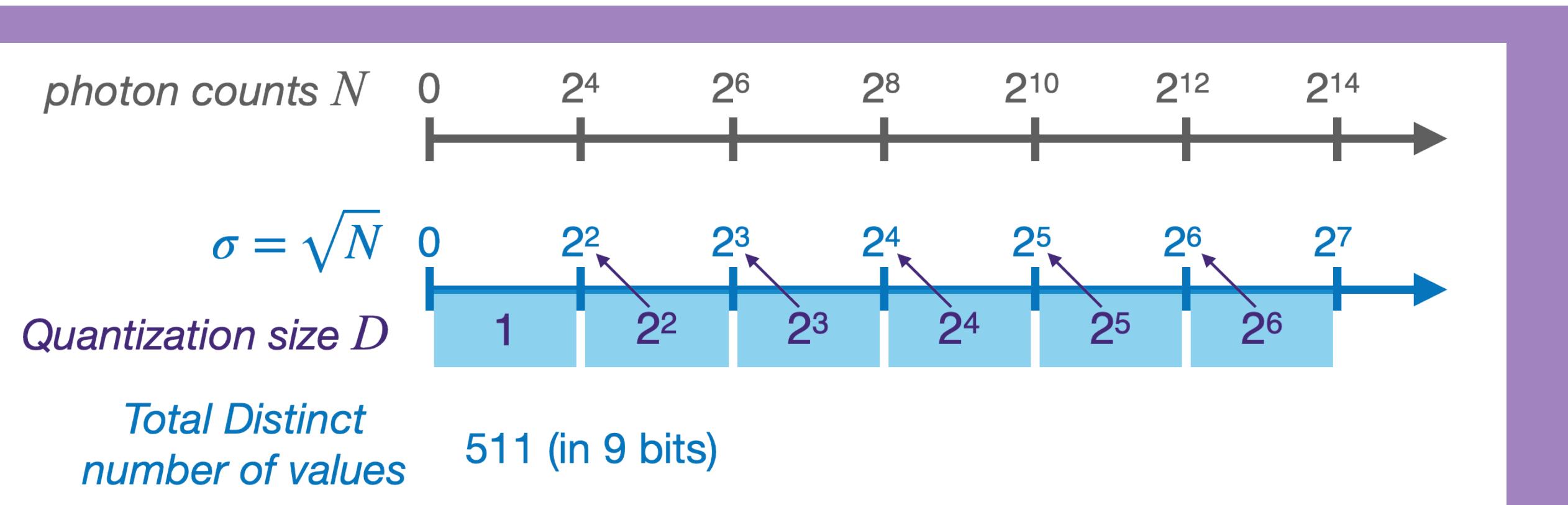
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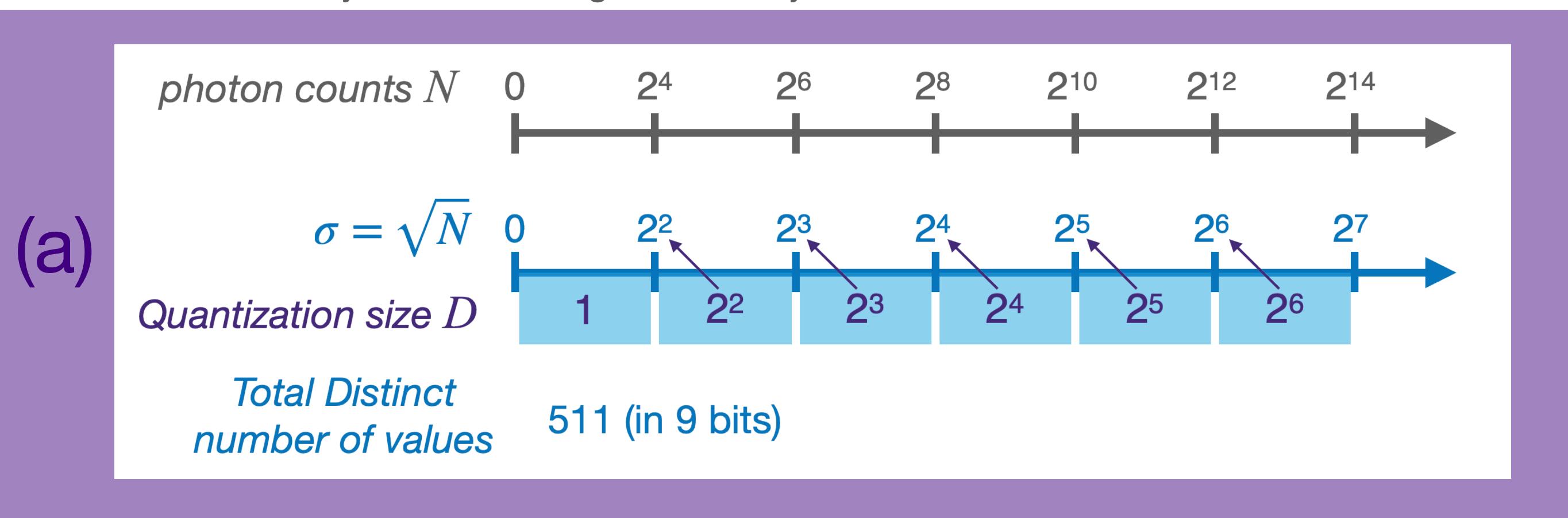
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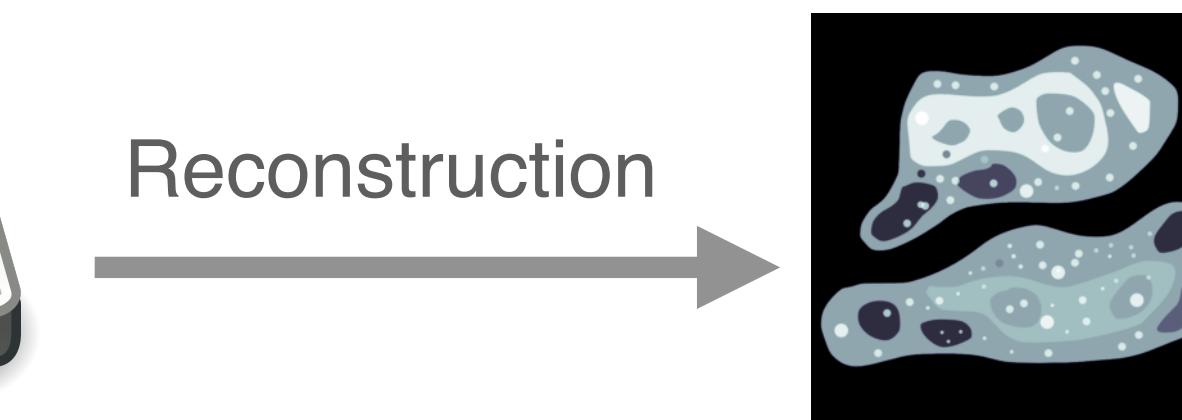
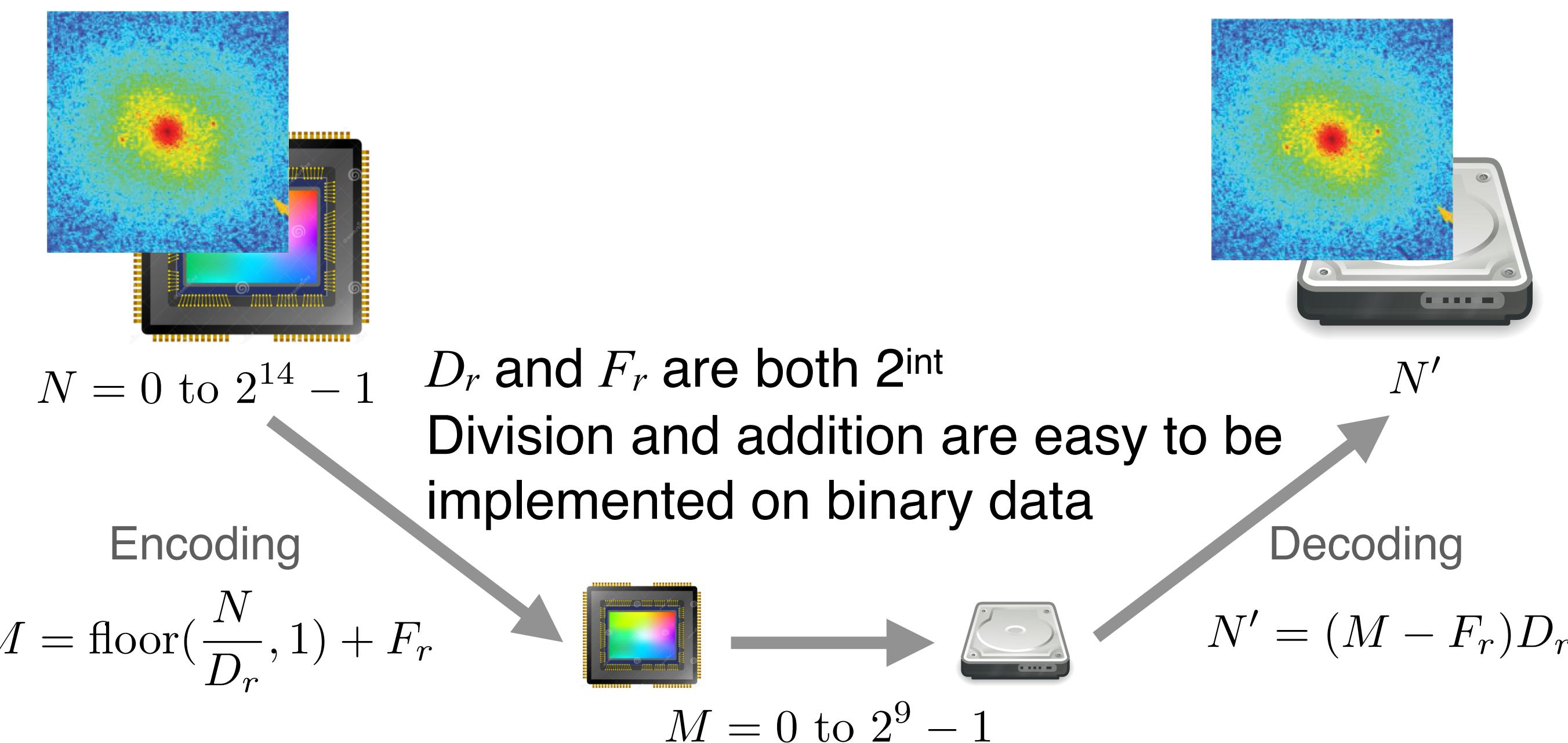
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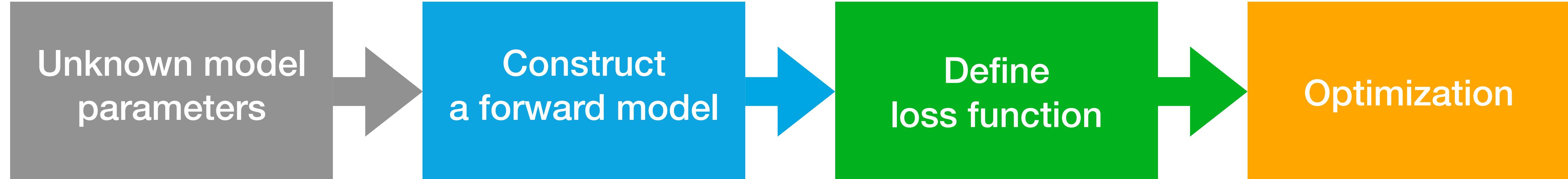
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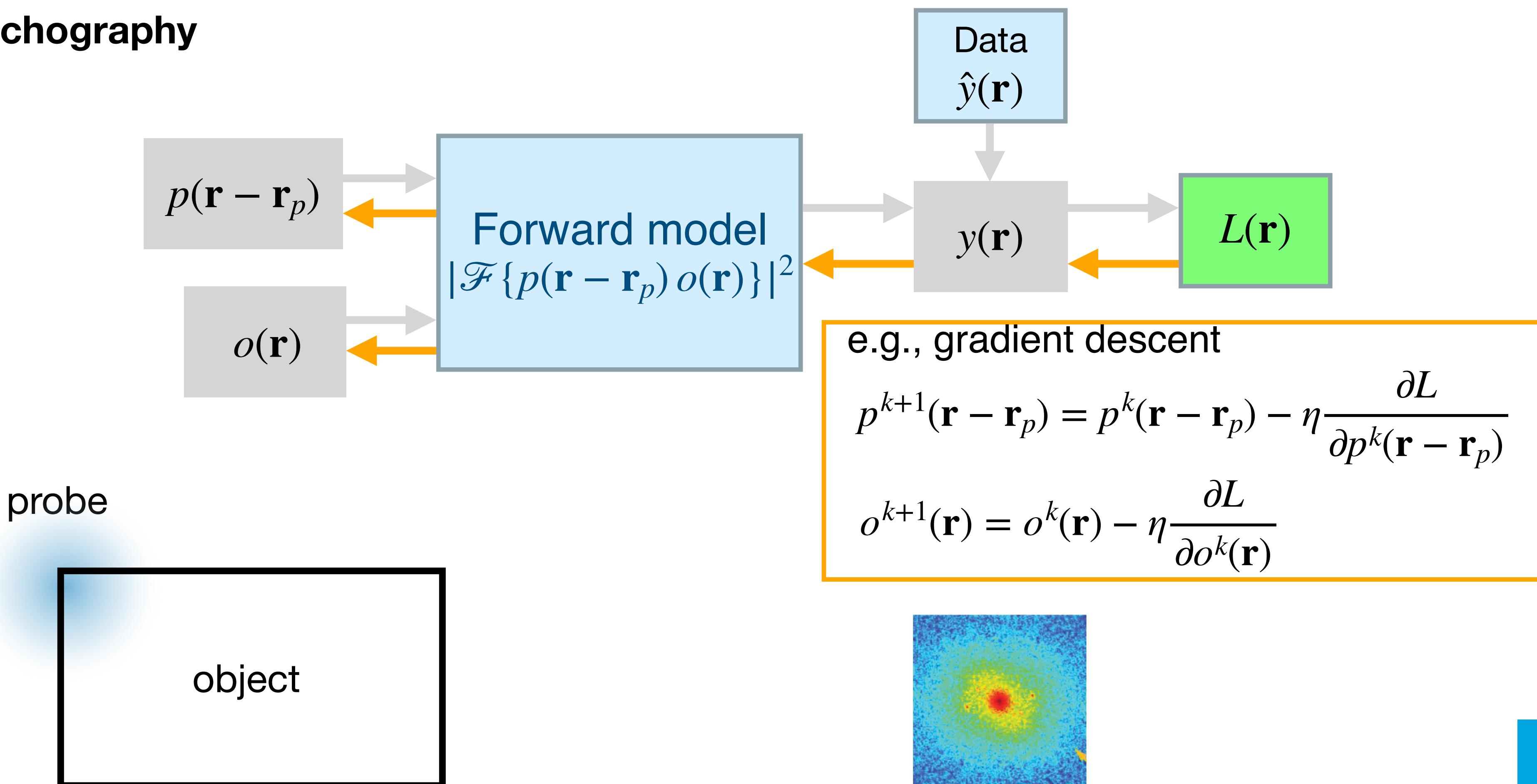
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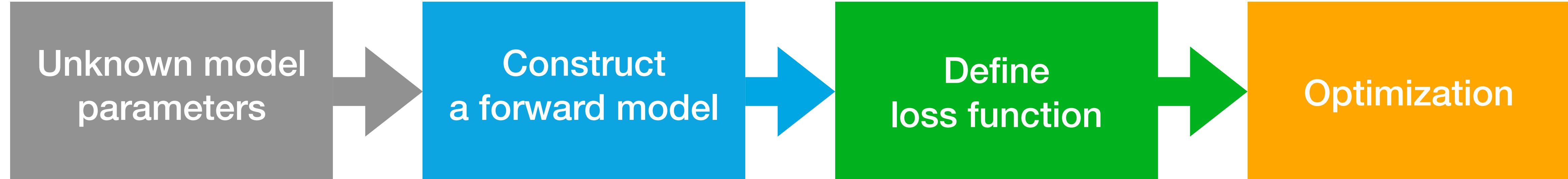
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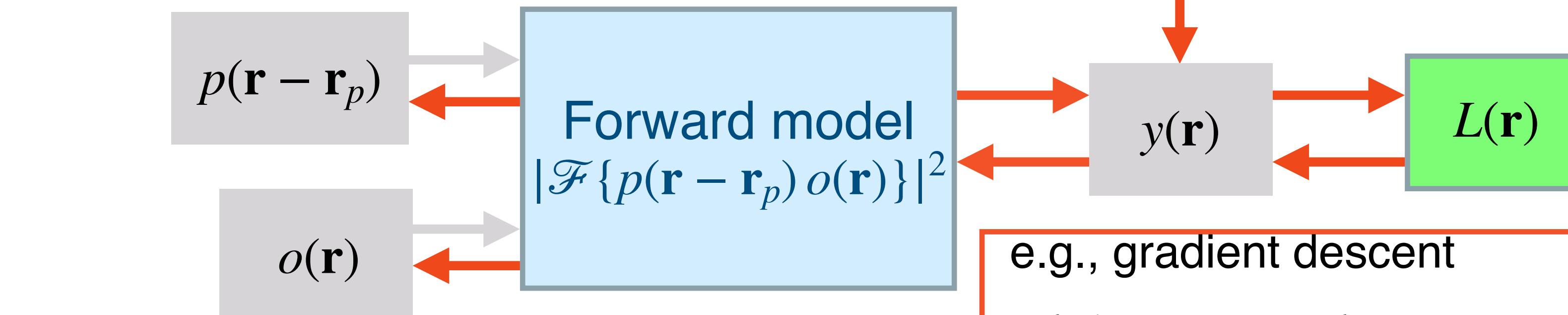
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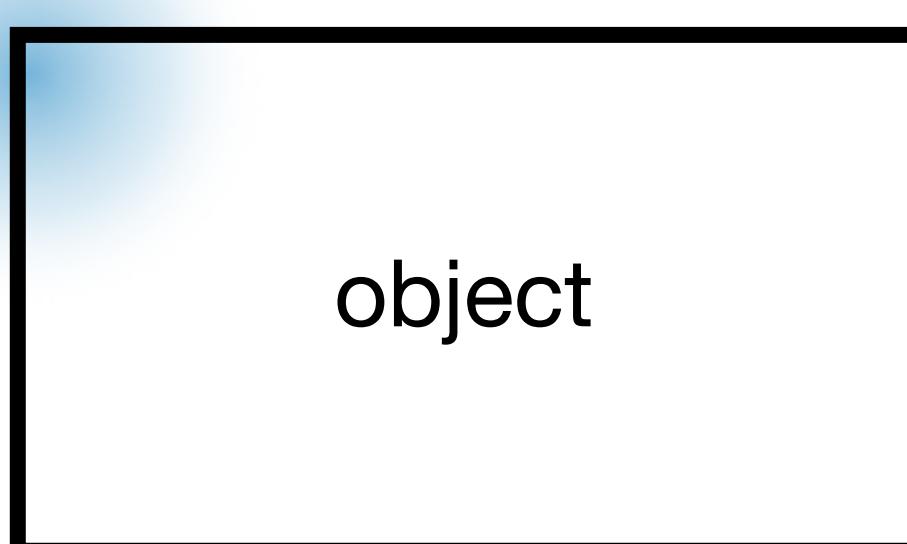
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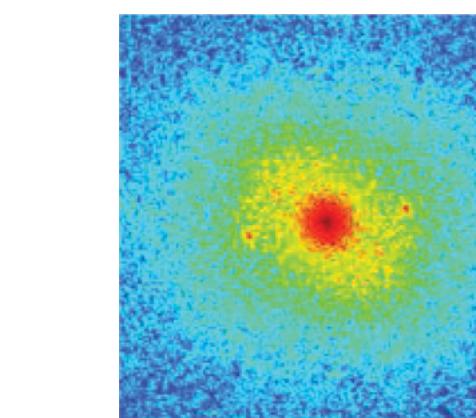
e.g., gradient descent

$$p^{k+1}(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_p) = p^k(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_p) - \eta \frac{\partial L}{\partial p^k(\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_p)}$$

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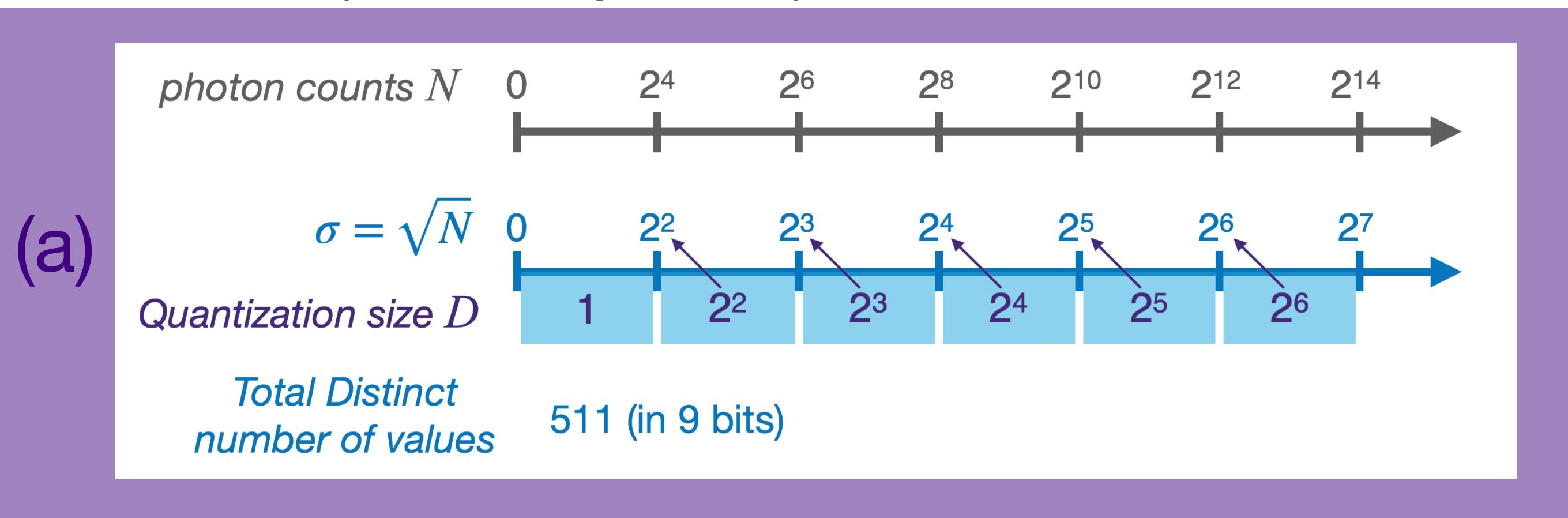
PyTorch

Automatic differentiation

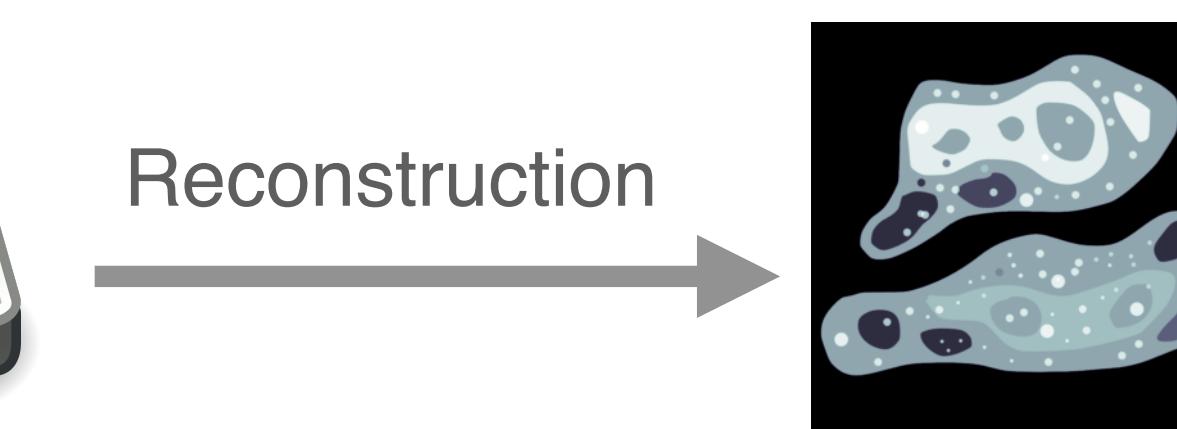
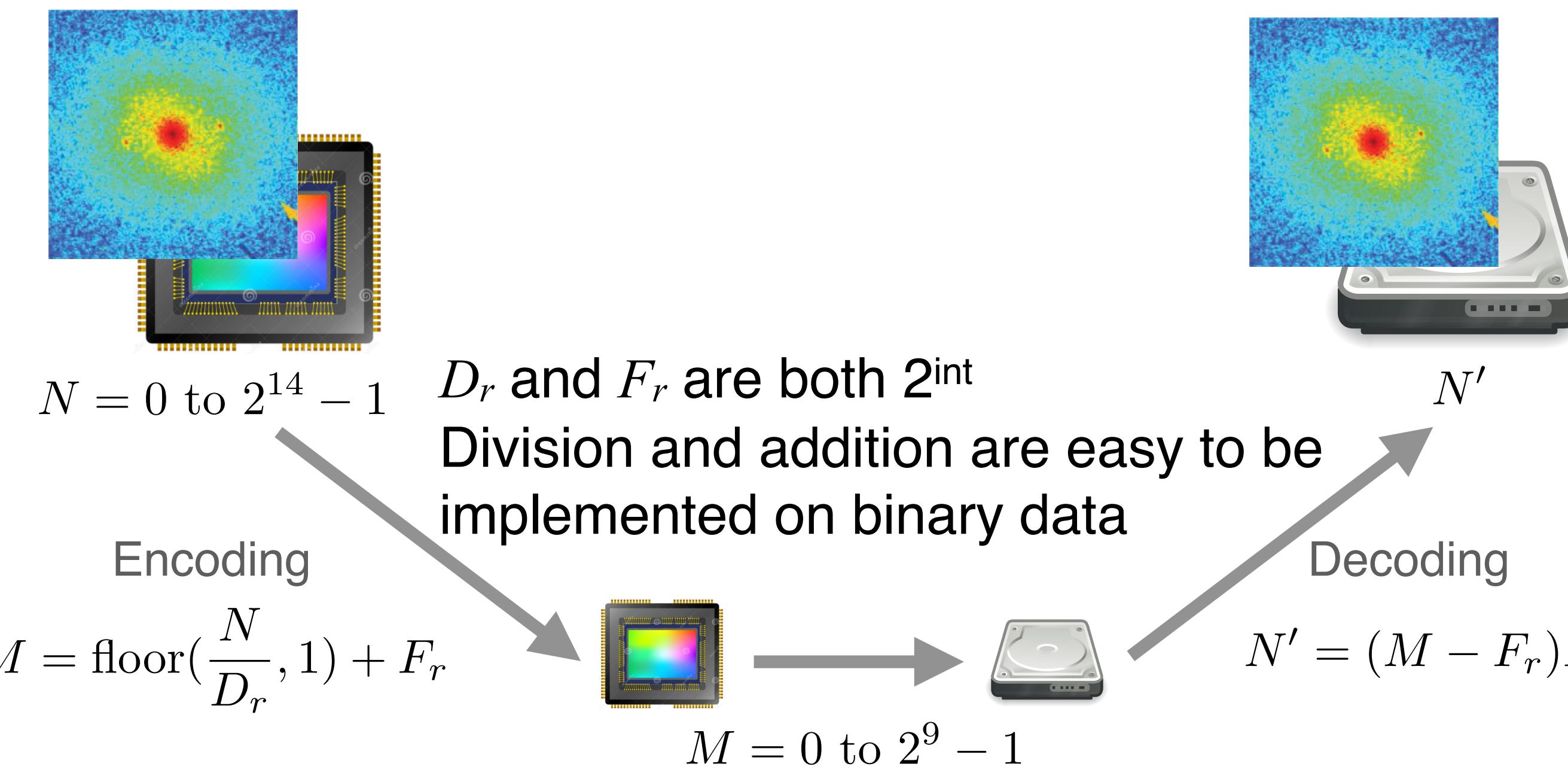


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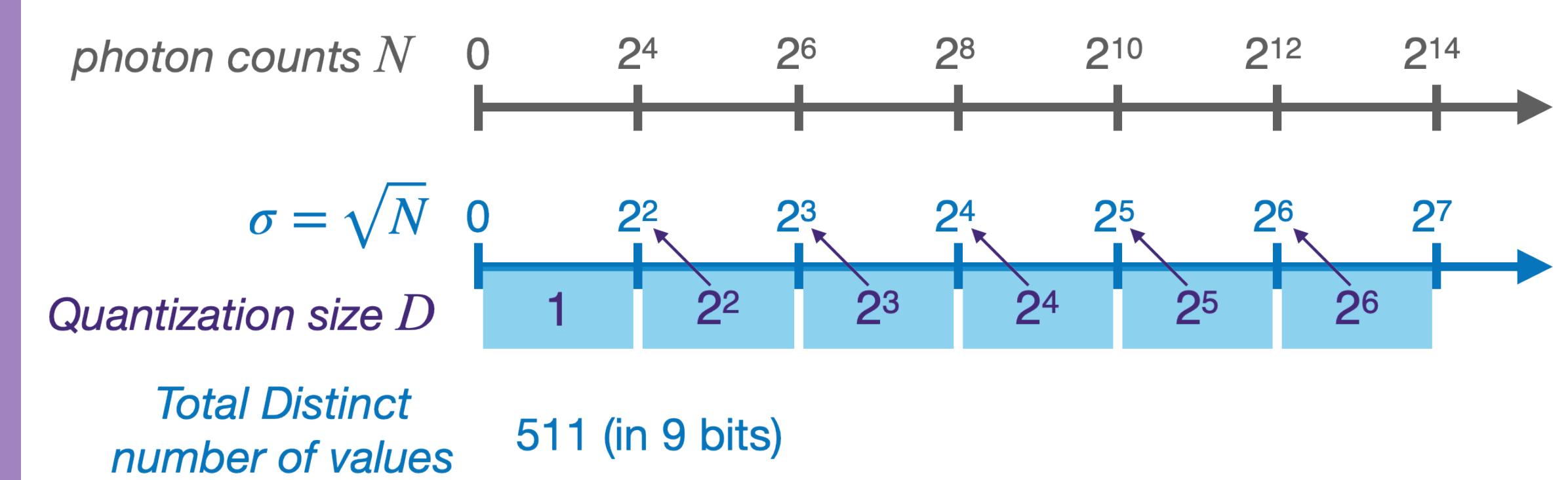
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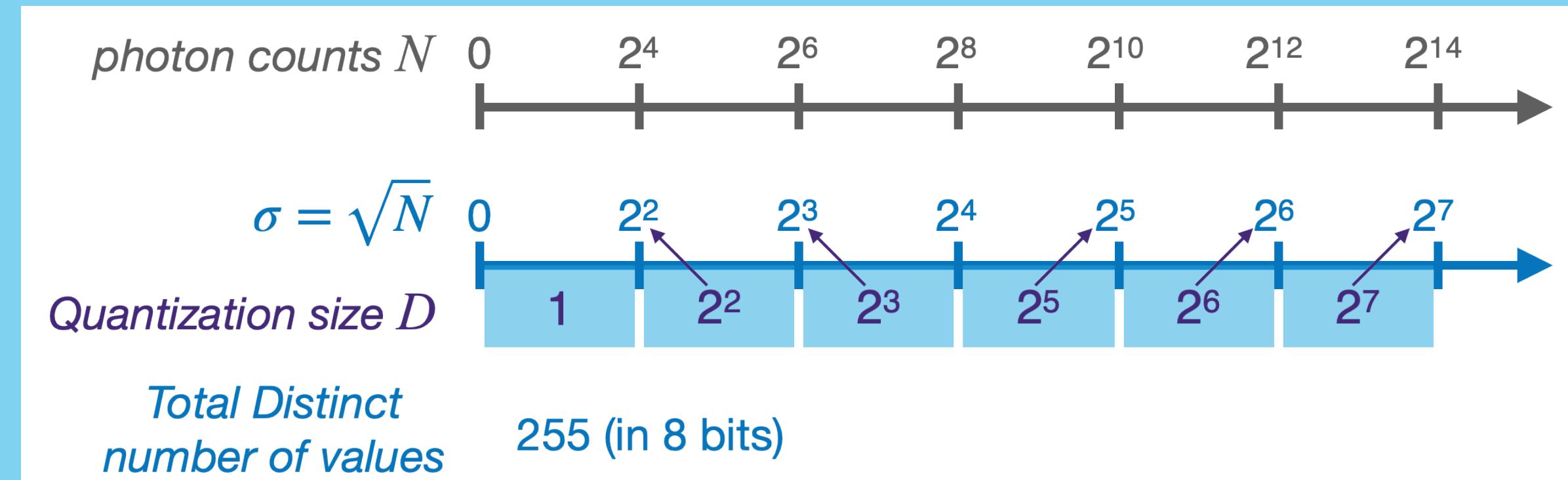
What do we achieve?

- compress the data bit depth from 14 bits to 9 or 8 bits without sacrificing the resolution

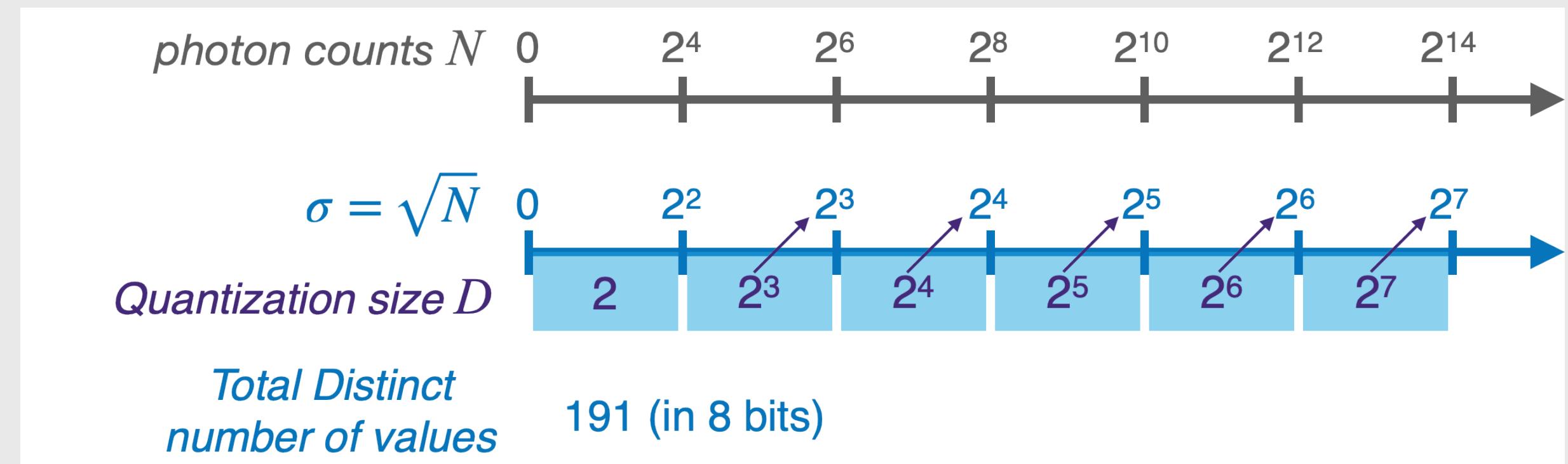
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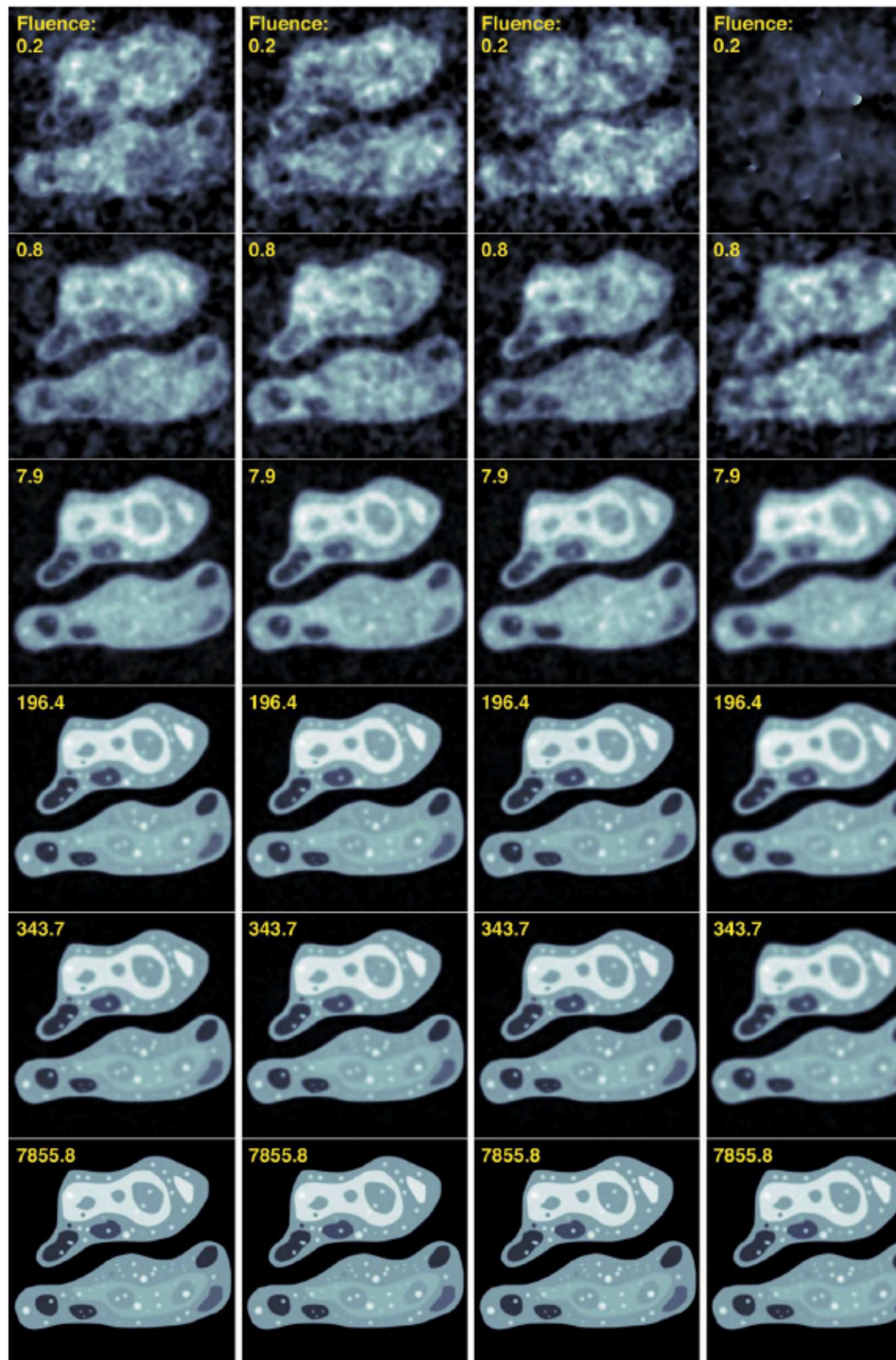
Probe fluorescence

Without
encoding

(a)

(b)

(c)



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*Total Distinct
number of values*

511 (in 9 bits)

(b)

*Total Distinct
number of values*

255 (in 8 bits)

(c)

*Total Distinct
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191 (in 8 bits)

photon counts N



$$\sigma = \sqrt{N}$$

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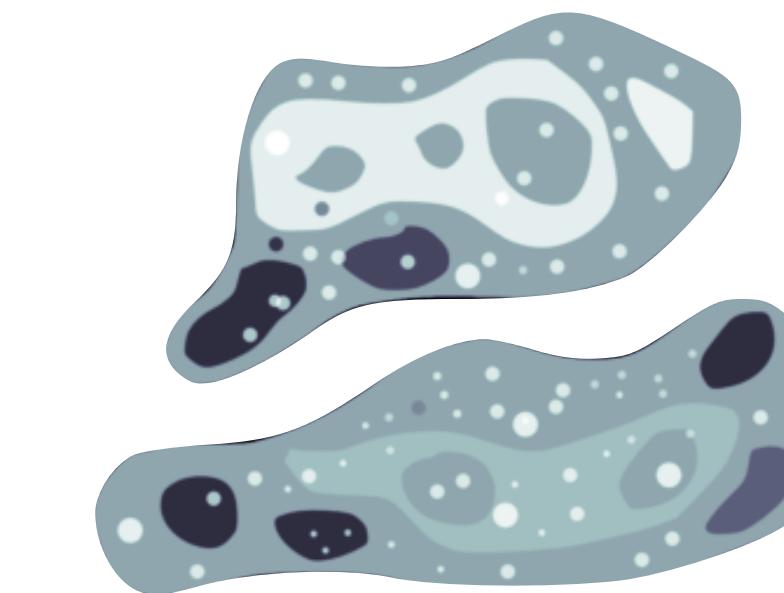
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Metric for reconstructed images - Within-support mean-squared error

Ground truth



Within-Support



- Within-support mean-squared error (SMSE)

$$\text{SMSE} = \frac{\sum (\text{Ground truth} - \text{Within-Support})^2}{\text{number of pixels within the support}}$$

Metric for resolution: Fourier ring correlation (FRC) half-bit threshold

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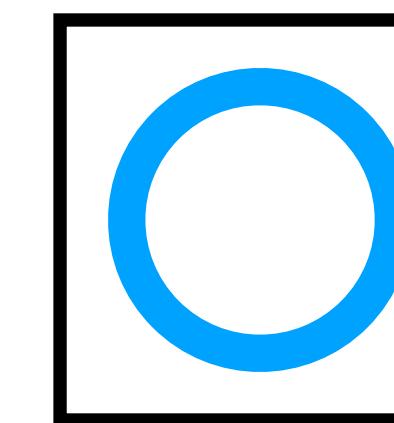


Same object, different noise instances

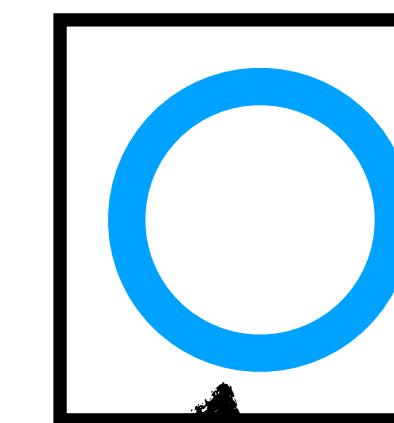
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$$F_1(\mathbf{u} = u_i)$$



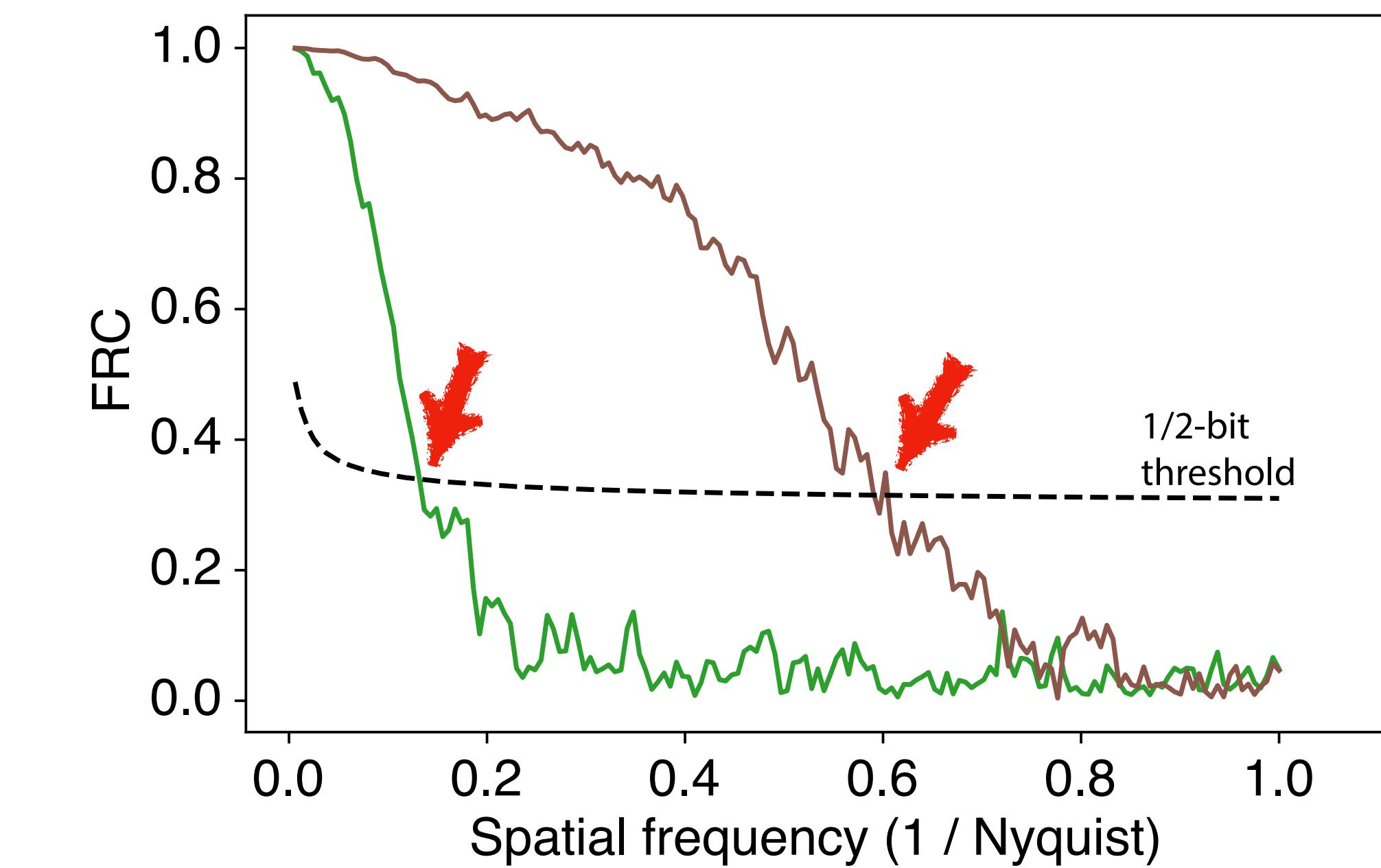
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Mask in Fourier space
(on the far-field diffraction plane)

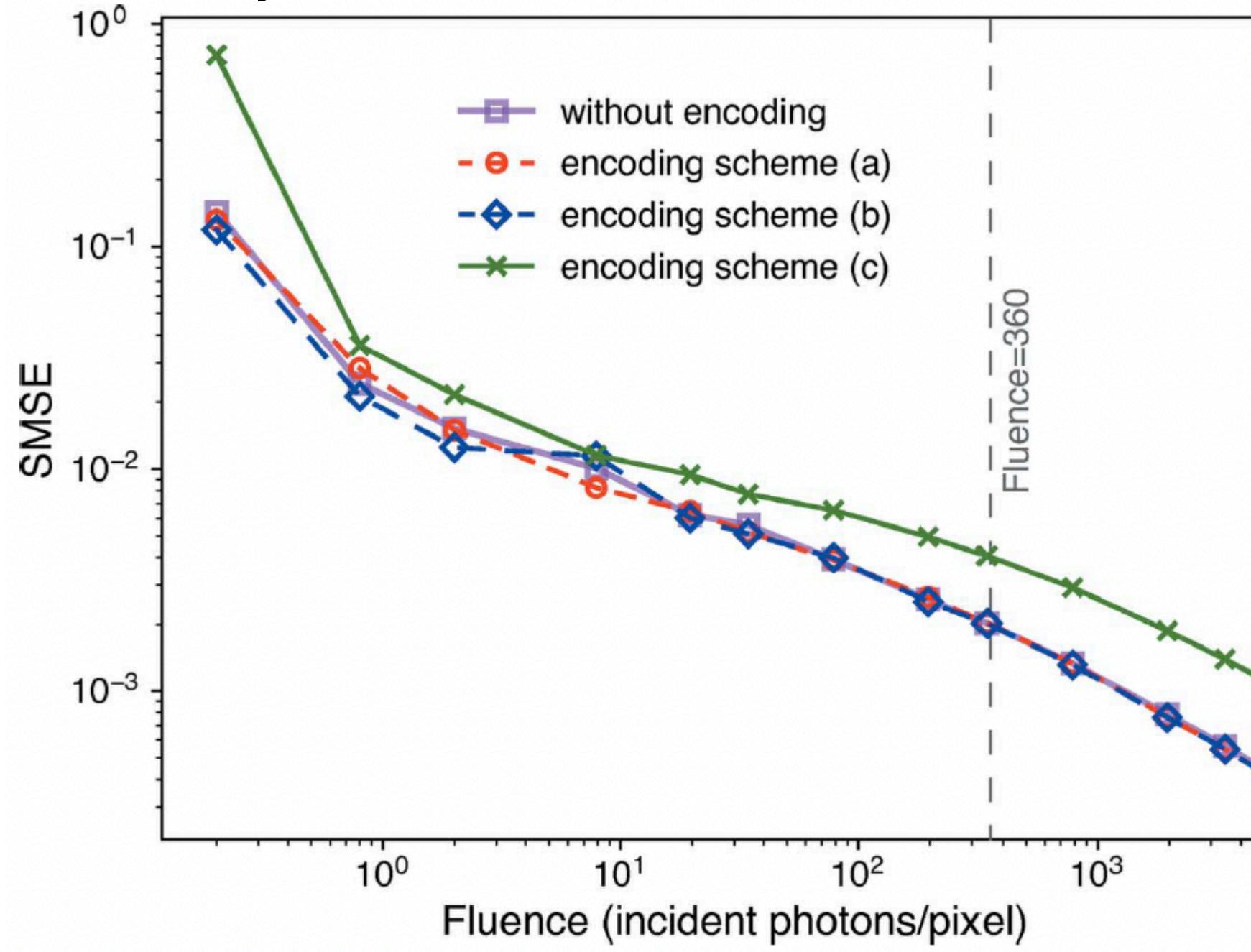
Object should correlate; noise should not

$$\text{FRC}_{1,2}(u_i) = \frac{\sum_{|\mathbf{u}|=u_i} F_1(\mathbf{u}) \cdot F_2(\mathbf{u})^\dagger}{\sqrt{\sum_{|\mathbf{u}|=u_i} F_1^2(\mathbf{u}) \cdot \sum_{|\mathbf{u}|=u_i} F_2^2(\mathbf{u})}}$$

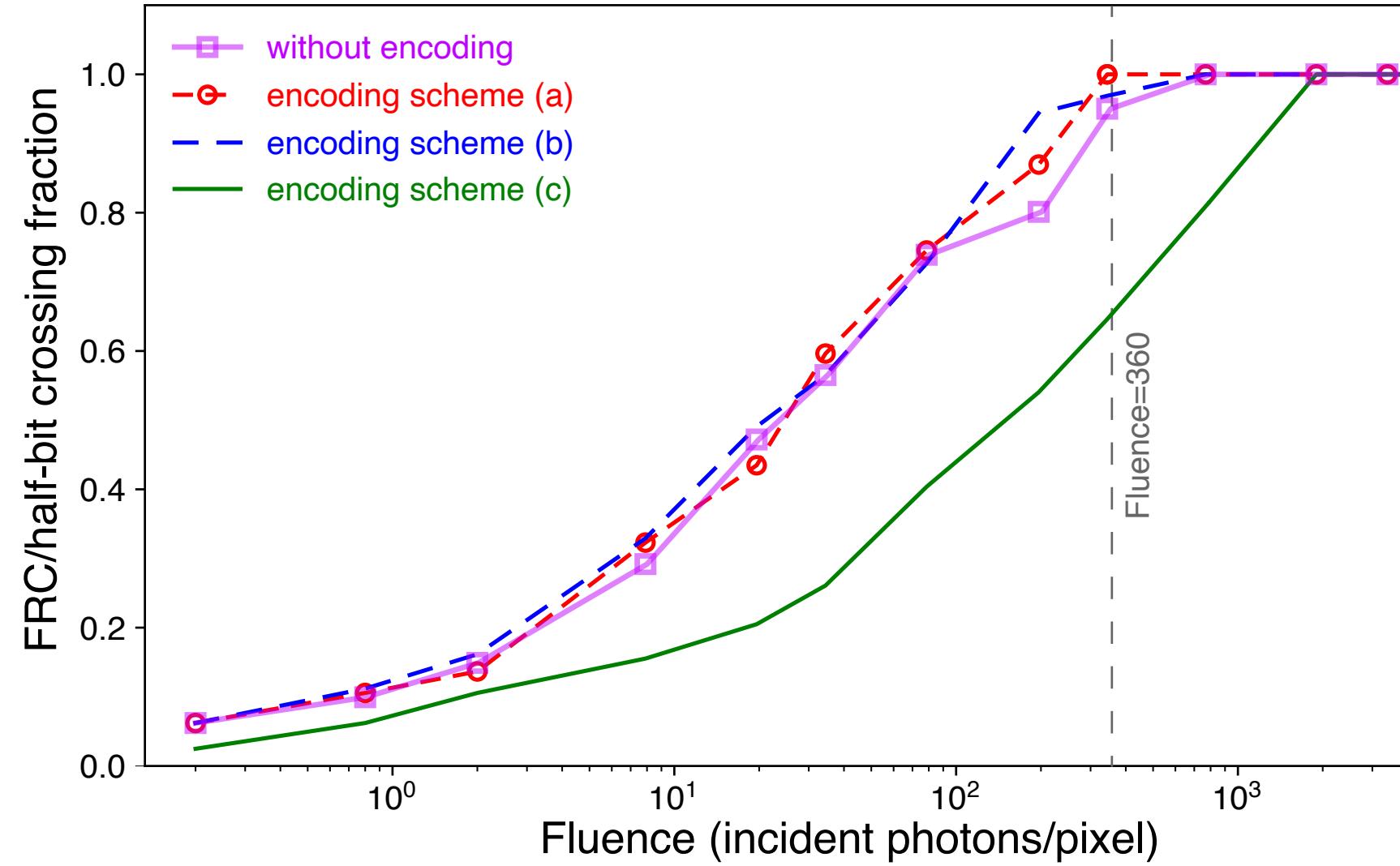


$$\text{Nyquist} = u_{\max} = \frac{1}{2\Delta_p}$$

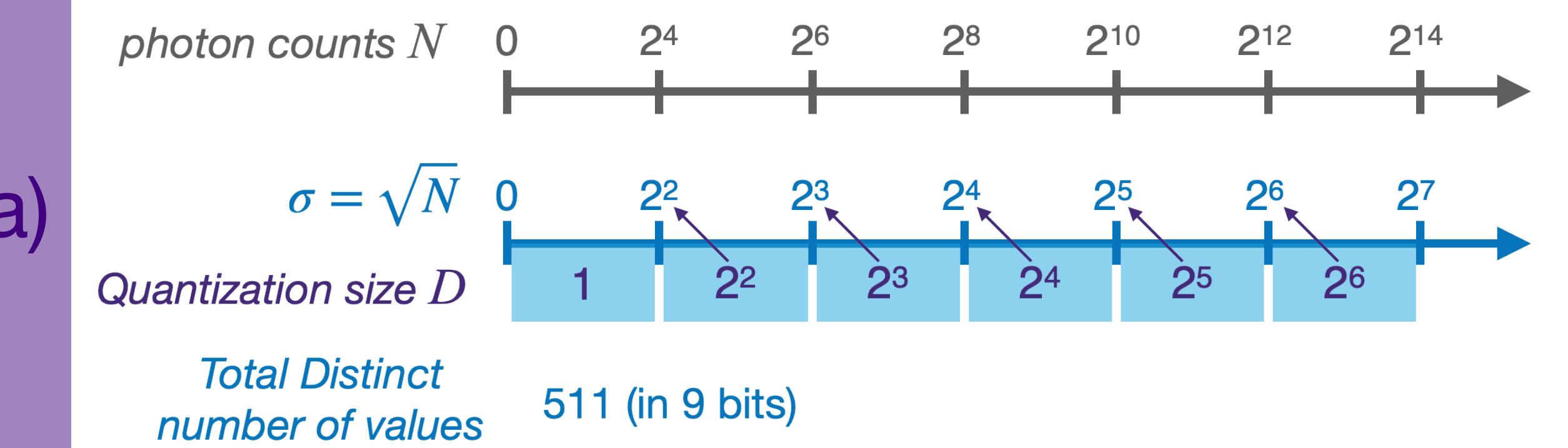
Object correctness



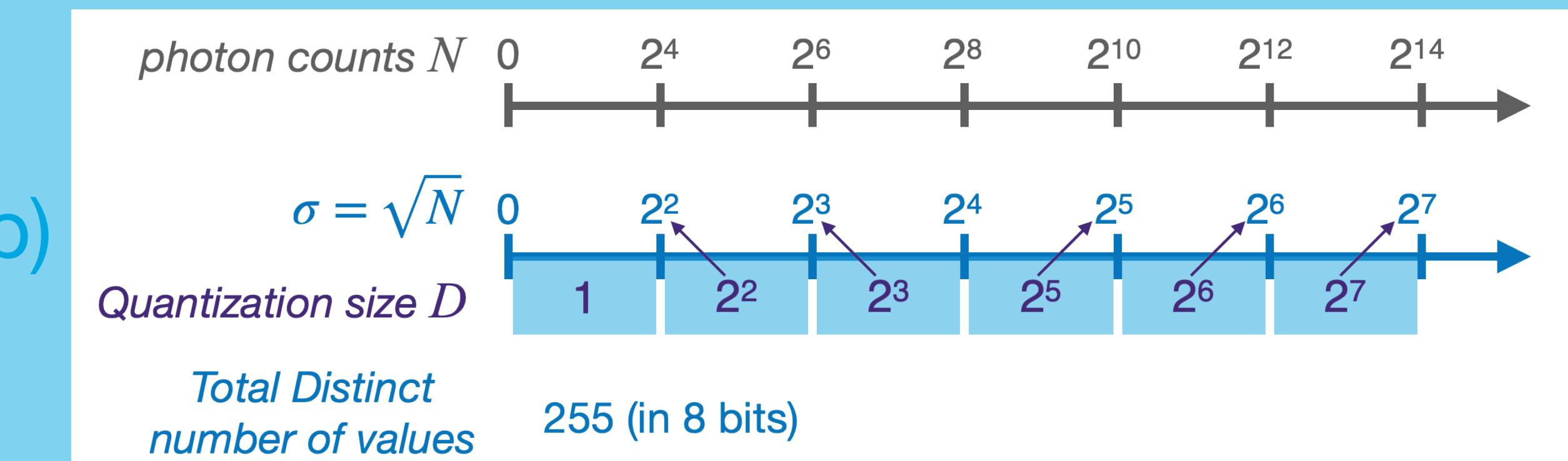
Diffraction correlation



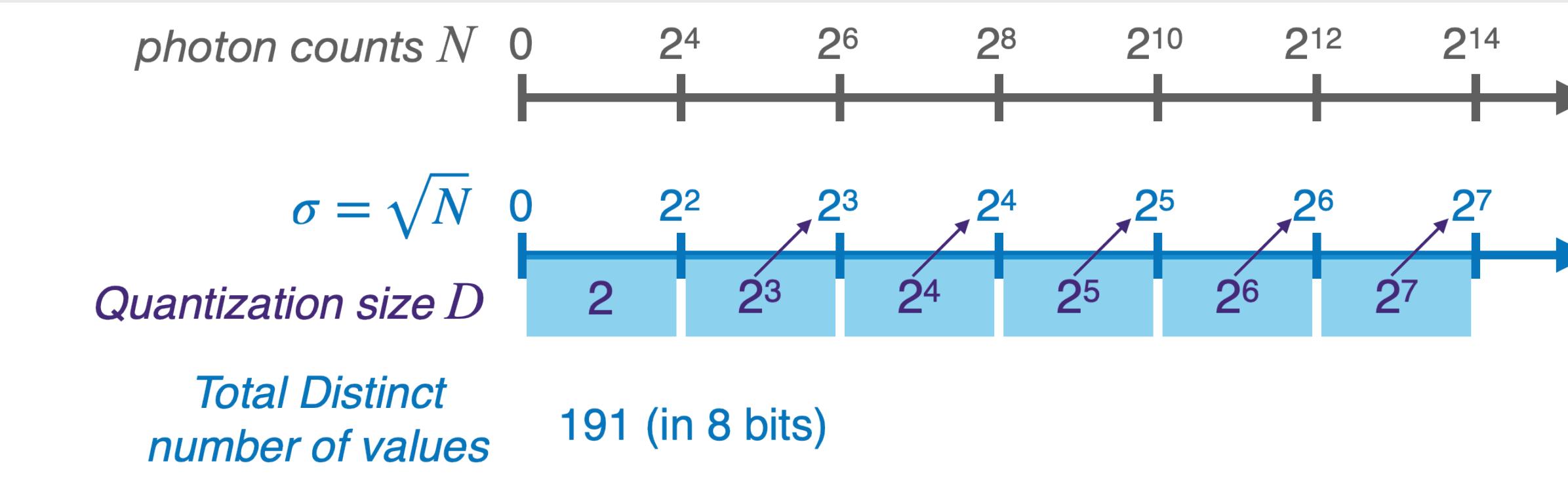
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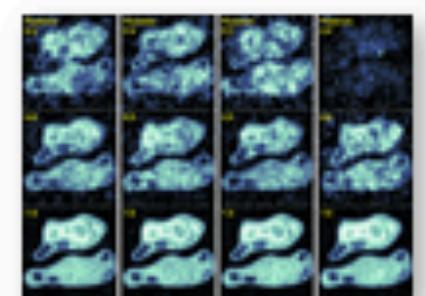




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Fast digital lossy compression for X-ray ptychographic data

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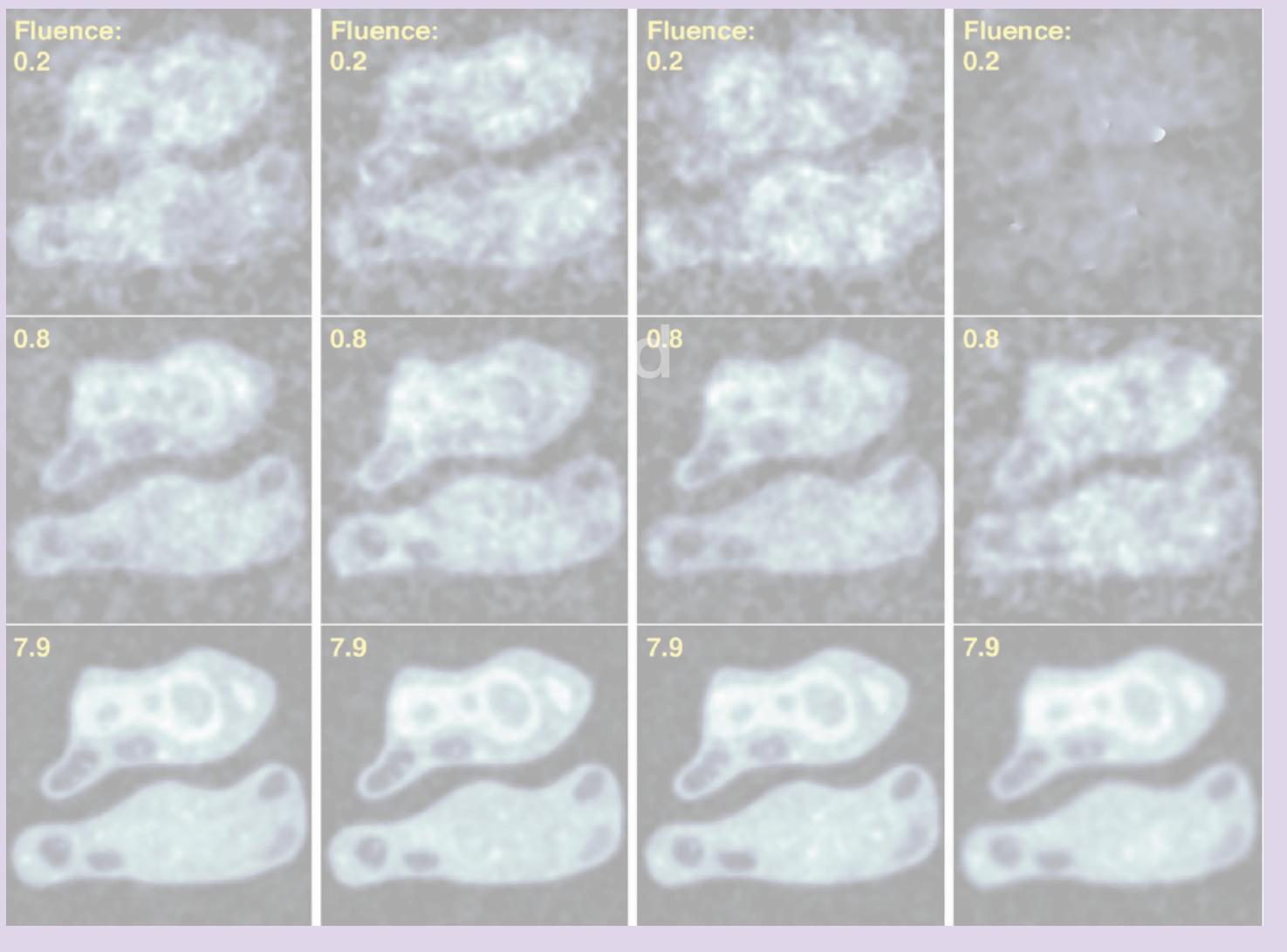
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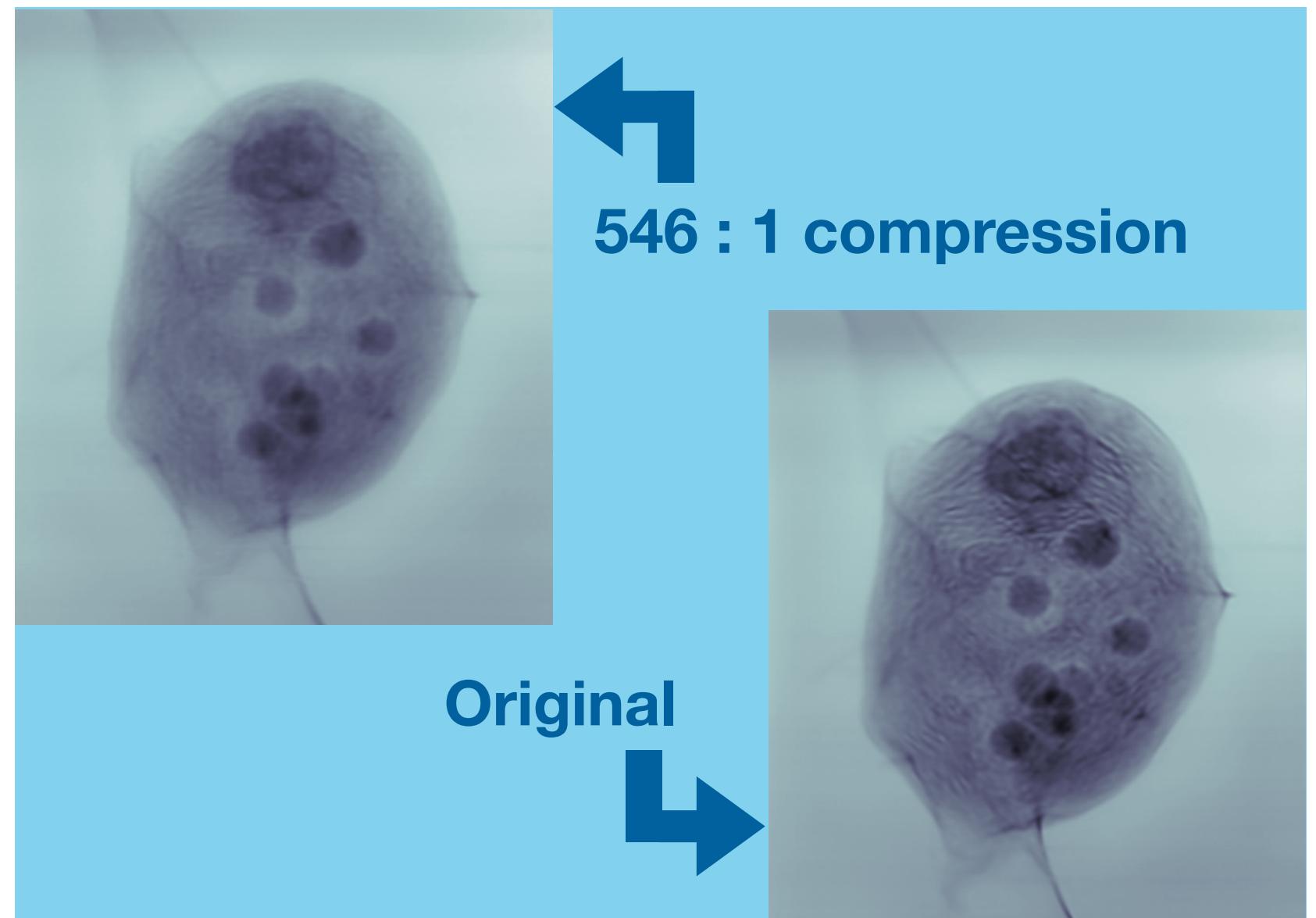
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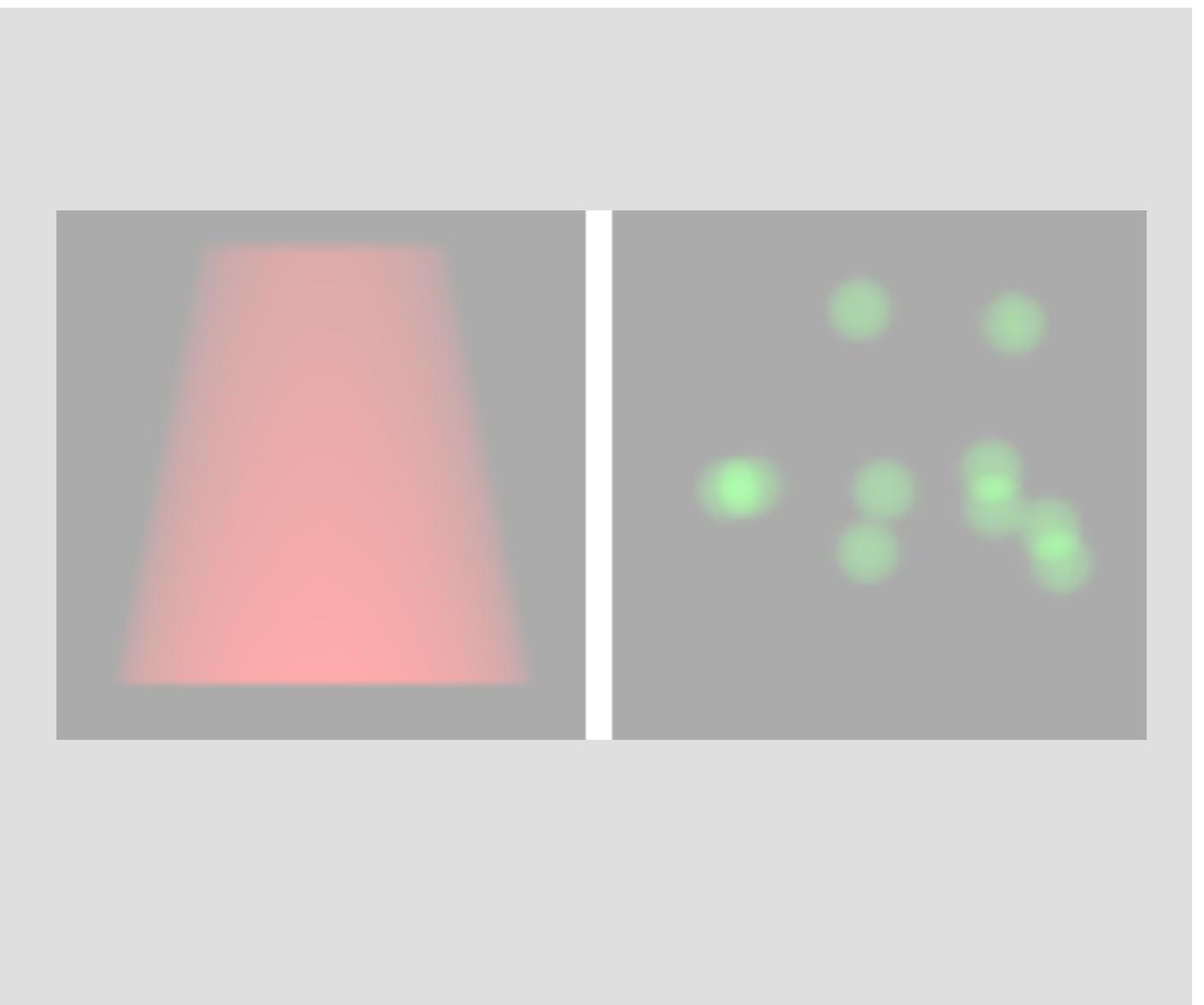
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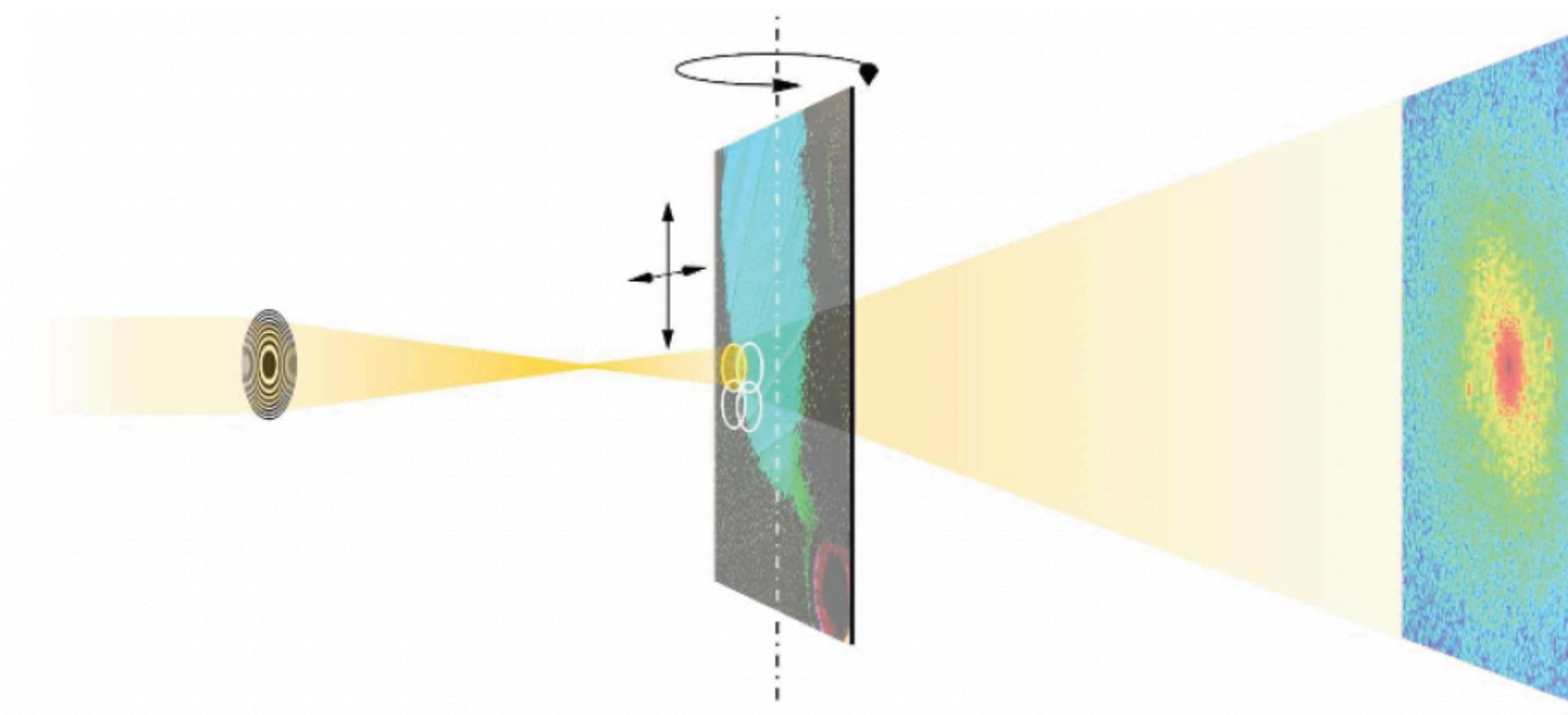
Lars Loetgering*, Max Rose, David Treffer, Ivan A. Vartanyants, Axel Rosenthal and Thomas Wilhein

Data compression strategies for ptychographic diffraction imaging

Loetgering *et al.*, Advanced Optical Technologies, 6(6), 475 (2017)

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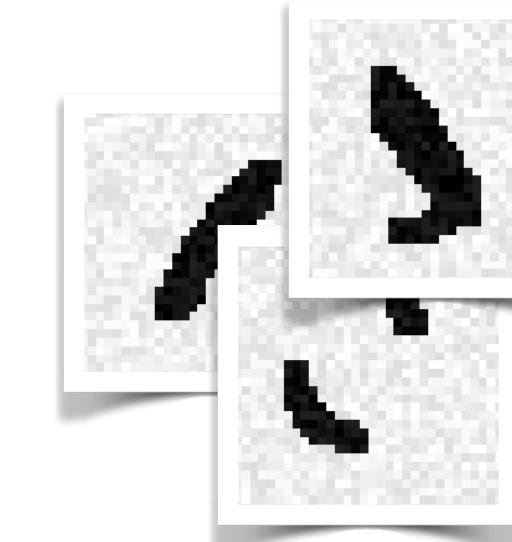
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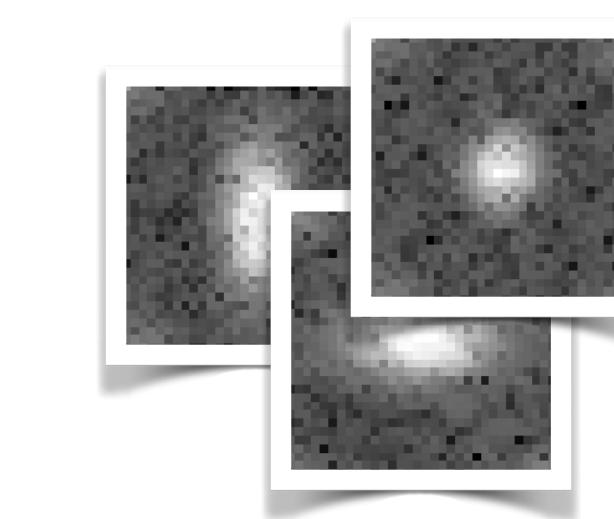
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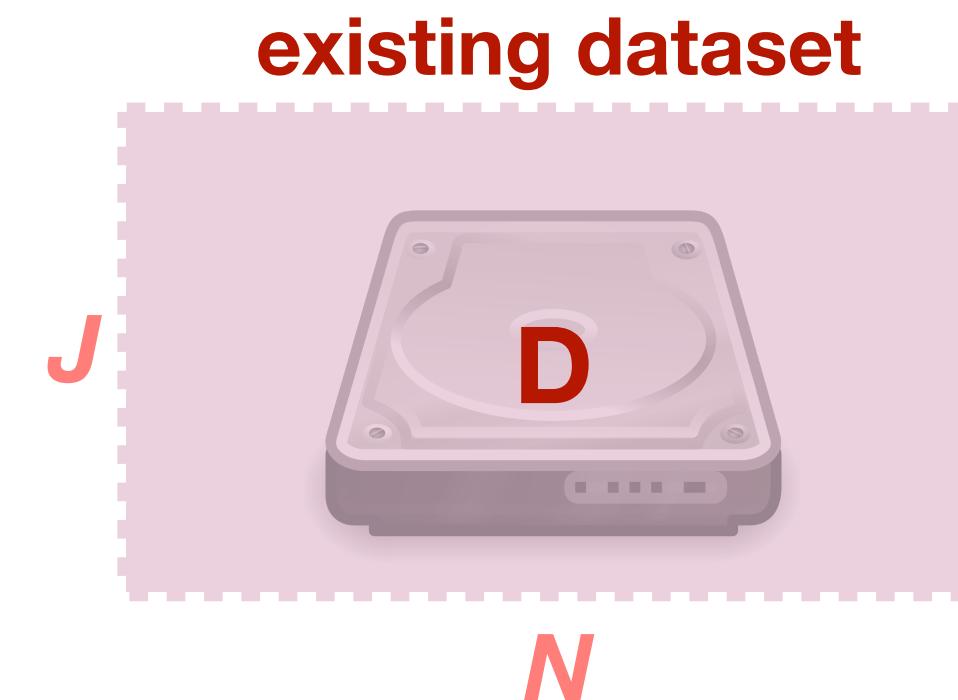
“eigen” features



“eigen” patterns



Principal component analysis (PCA)



J : # of probe positions
 N : # of pixels in 1 diffraction pattern (DP)

$$\mathbf{D} = \begin{bmatrix} d_{11} & d_{12} & \cdots & d_{1N} \\ d_{21} & d_{22} & \cdots & d_{2N} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \\ d_{J1} & d_{J2} & \cdots & d_{JN} \end{bmatrix}$$

→ \mathbf{DP}_1
→ \mathbf{DP}_2
→ \mathbf{DP}_J

$$\text{cov}[\mathbf{D}, \mathbf{D}] = \begin{bmatrix} \text{var}(\mathbf{DP}_1) & & & \\ & \text{var}(\mathbf{DP}_2) & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \text{var}(\mathbf{DP}_J) \end{bmatrix}$$

eigenvectors: principal axes

eigenvalues: variances of distribution along new axes

$$\mathbf{D}_{J \times N} = \mathbf{P}_{J \times J} \mathbf{R}_{J \times N}$$

$\mathbf{P}_{J \times J}$: sorted principal axes by their corresponding eigenvalues

$\mathbf{R}_{J \times N}$: principal components

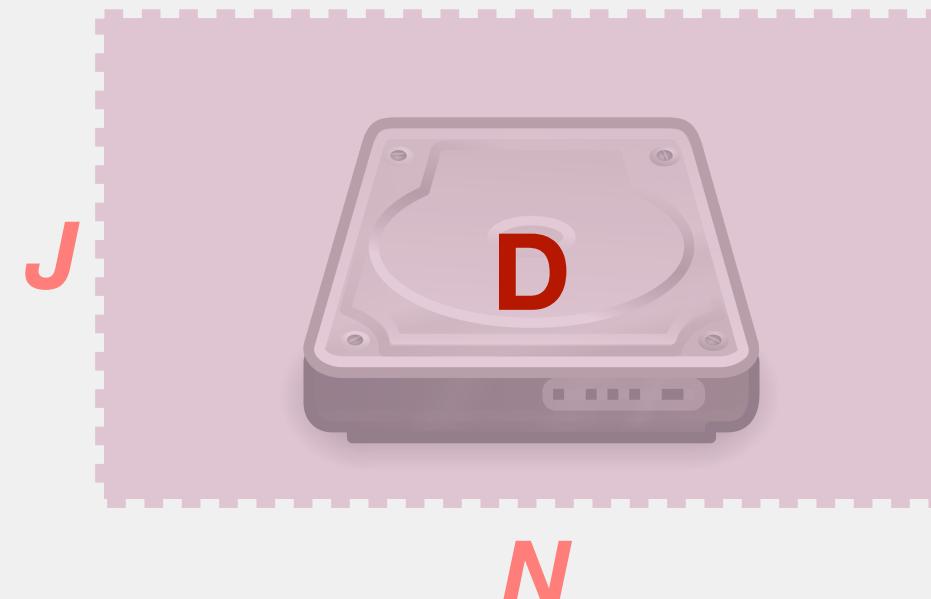
Our new idea: compress the data *on the detector*

Applying PCA on an existing dataset

J : # of probe positions

N : # of pixels in 1 diffraction pattern (DP)

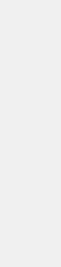
existing dataset



$$\mathbf{D}_{J \times N} = \mathbf{P}_{J \times J} \mathbf{R}_{J \times N}$$

$\mathbf{P}_{J \times J}$: principal axes

$\mathbf{R}_{J \times N}$: principal components

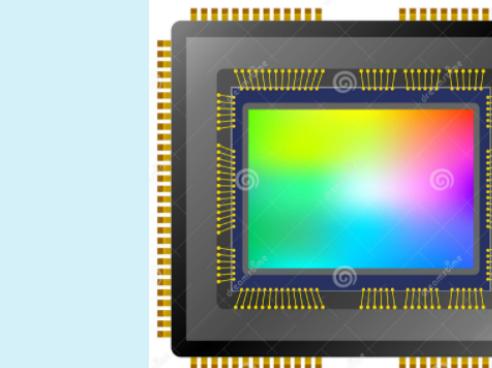
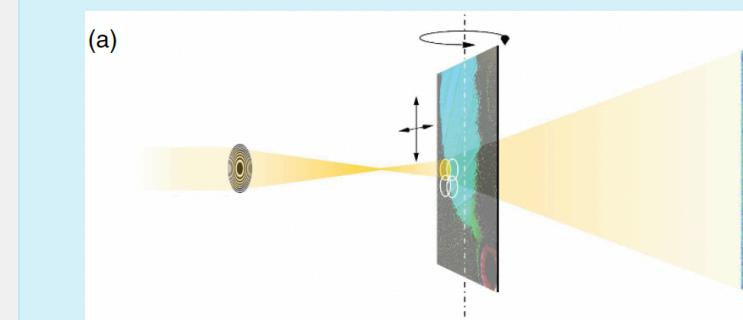


$$\mathbf{R}_{S' \times N} \quad (S' < J)$$

encoding matrix



New data acquisition
compress DP



$$\mathbf{P}'_{1 \times S'} = \mathbf{D}'_{1 \times N} \mathbf{R}_{N \times S'}^{-1}$$

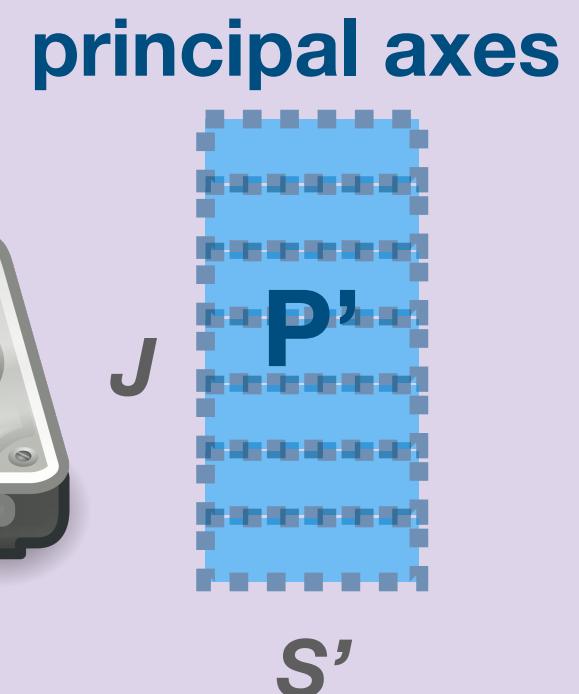
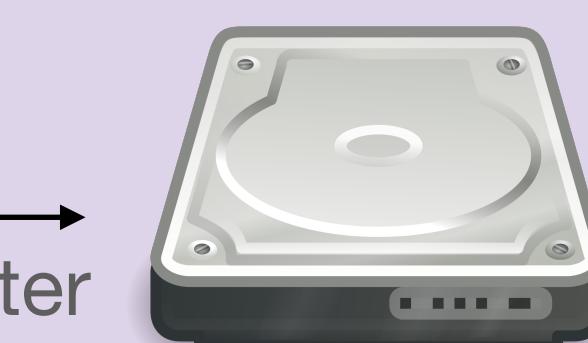
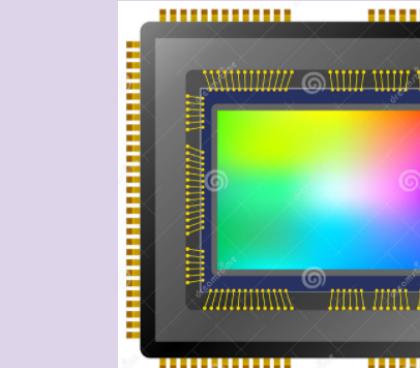
principal axes

1 S' = 1 N **1 diffraction pattern**

inv. encoding matrix



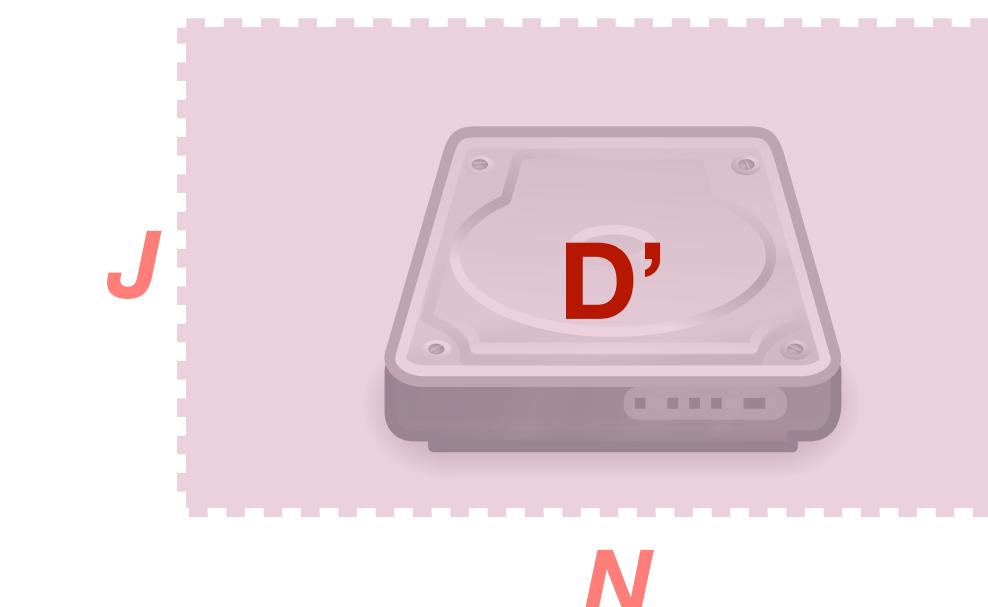
Transfer the compressed data



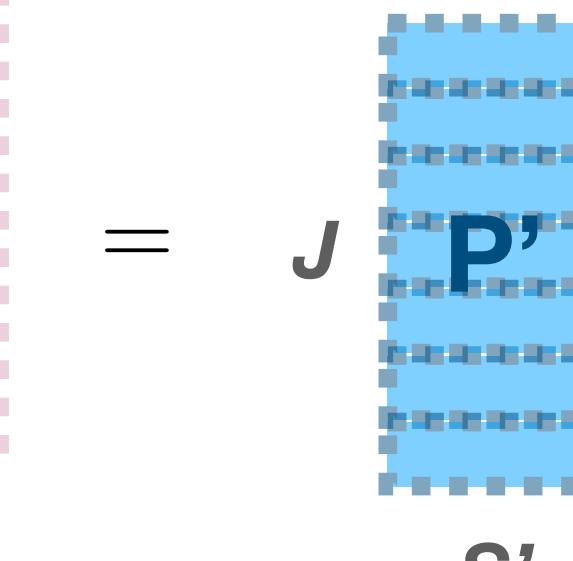
Less data transfer faster

Recover the dataset

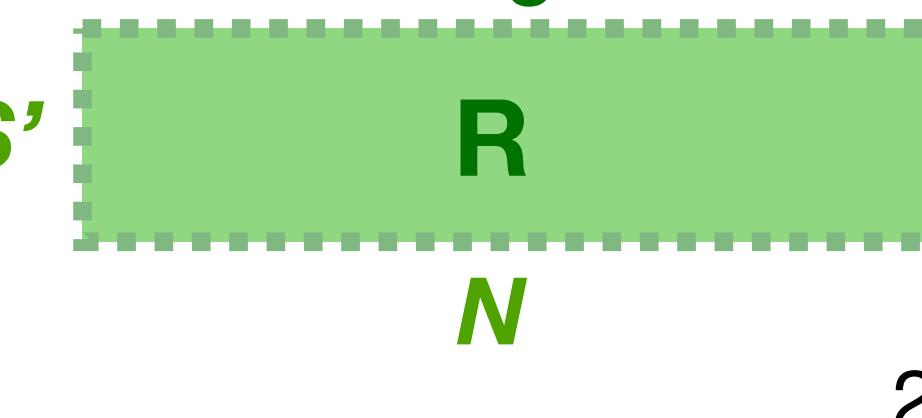
recovered dataset



principal axes



encoding matrix



Compress the dataset - dimension reduction

Why do we need to compress the data?

- Save the disk space:
many GBs of data to reconstruct few MBs of images
- Speed up the data transfer:
faster frame rates are needed for the future
Potential data generation rate > Data transfer rate

What are the existing data compression methods?

- Currently often no compression
- Compression done after experiments:
Requires access to the entire dataset

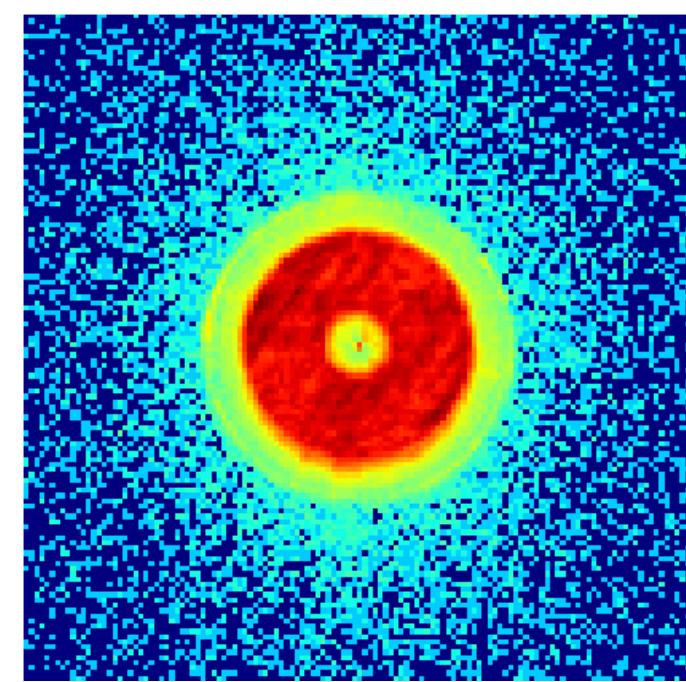
How do we do this?

- Principal component analysis (PCA)
 - Using PCA but requiring the entire dataset

- ✓ On the circuit of the camera:
Use the pre-loaded principal components
to compress diffraction patterns

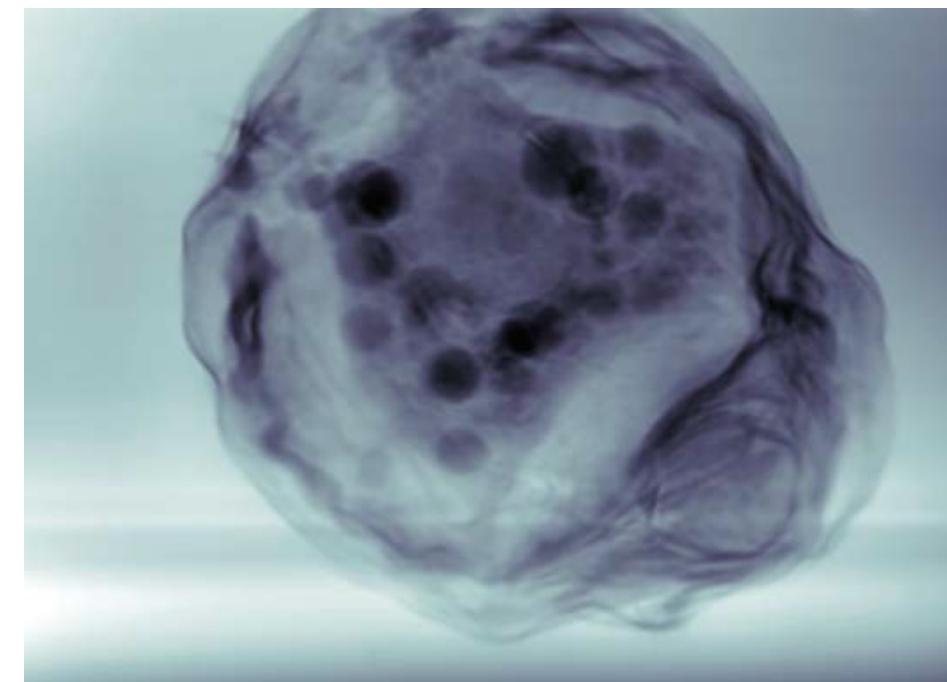
$$\text{compression ratio } C_{\text{det}} = \frac{N}{S'}$$

**Existing dataset:
the 1st dataset**

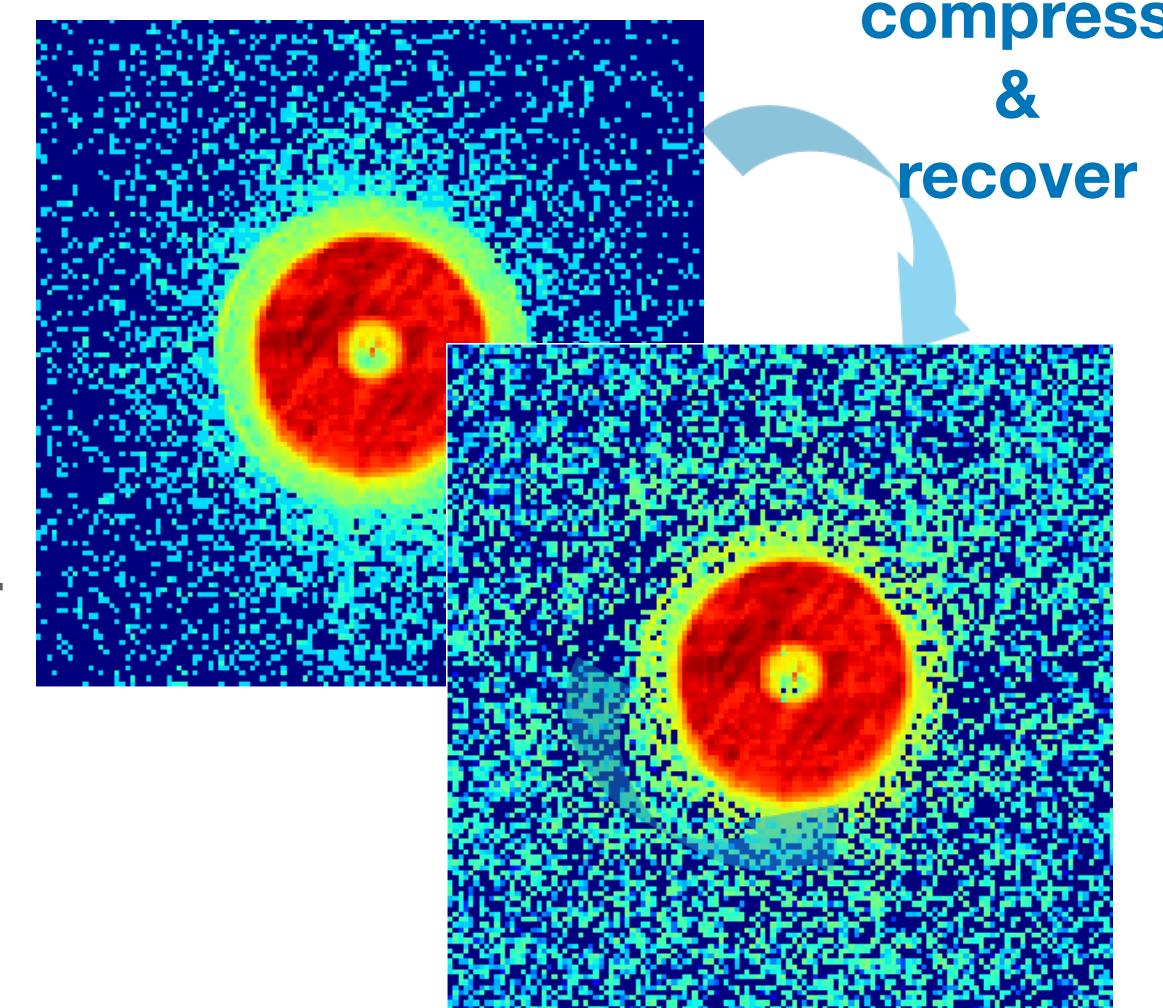


PCA
Load R^{-1} to a detector

Reconstructed
from the 1st dataset



**New acquisition:
the 2nd dataset**



**compression
ratio**

1 : 1

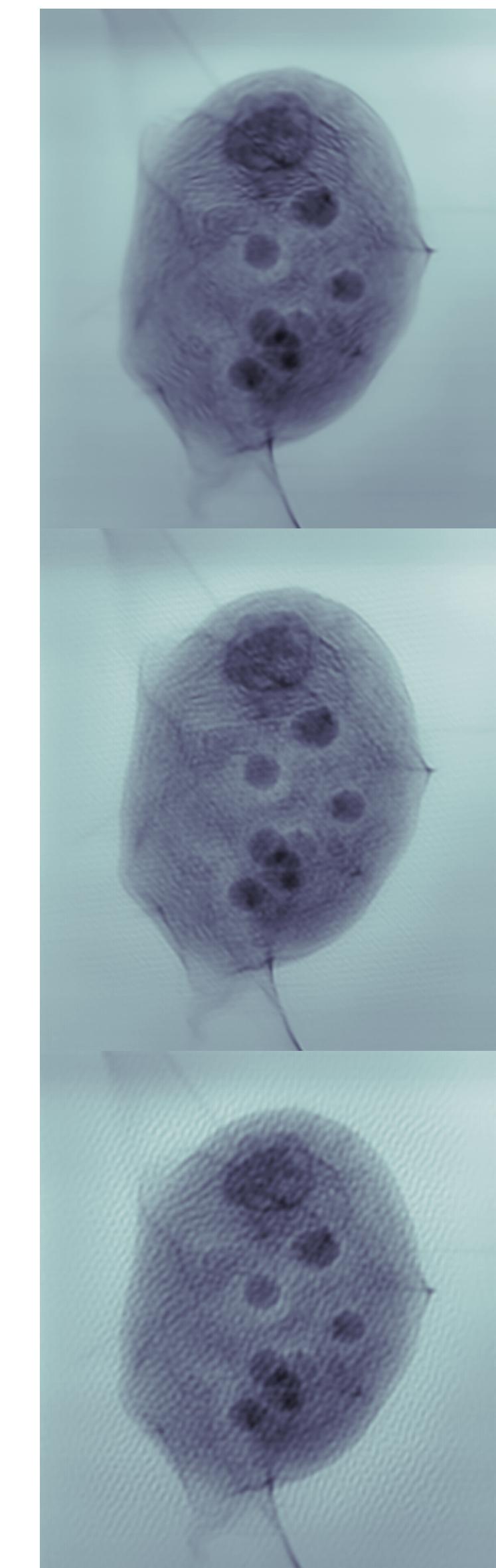
Reconstruction

6 : 1

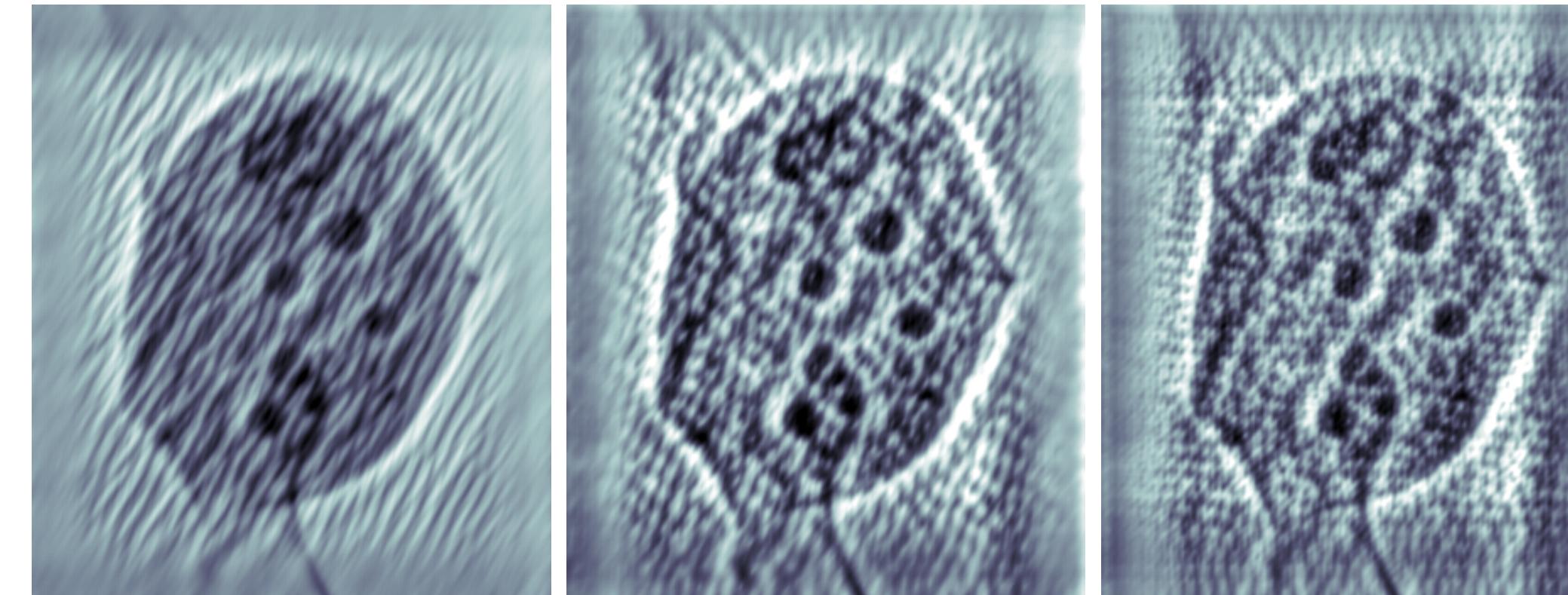
Imperfect reconstruction:
Encoded noise
Slightly different probe functions

10 : 1

**Reconstructed from
the recovered 2nd dataset**



**compression
ratio**



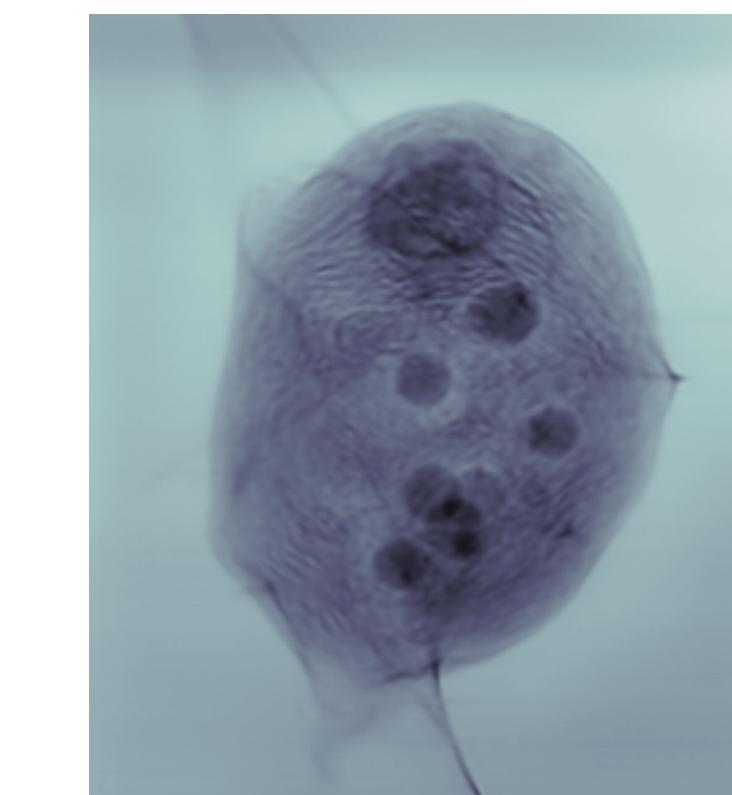
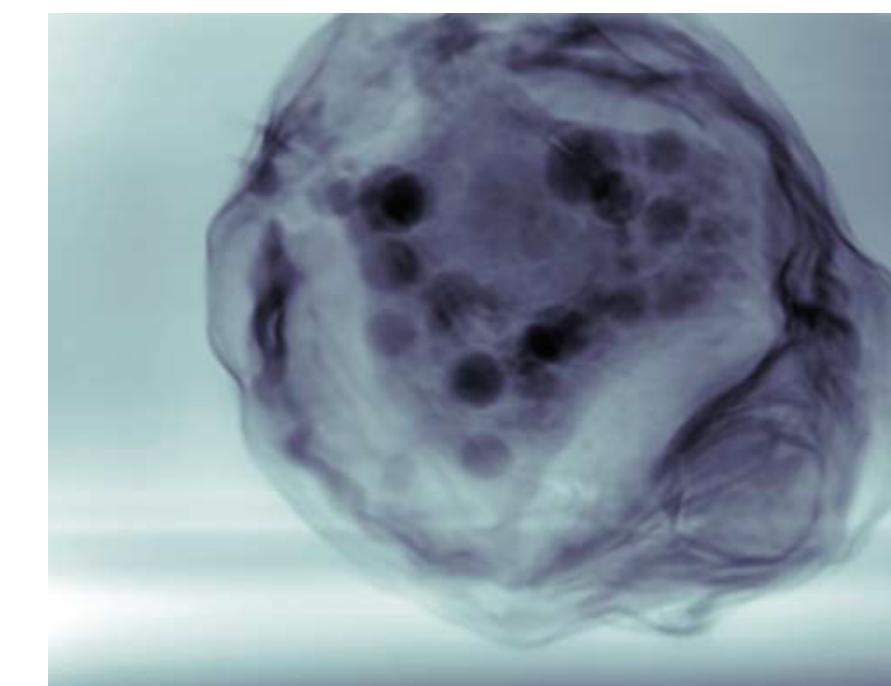
16 : 1

55 : 1

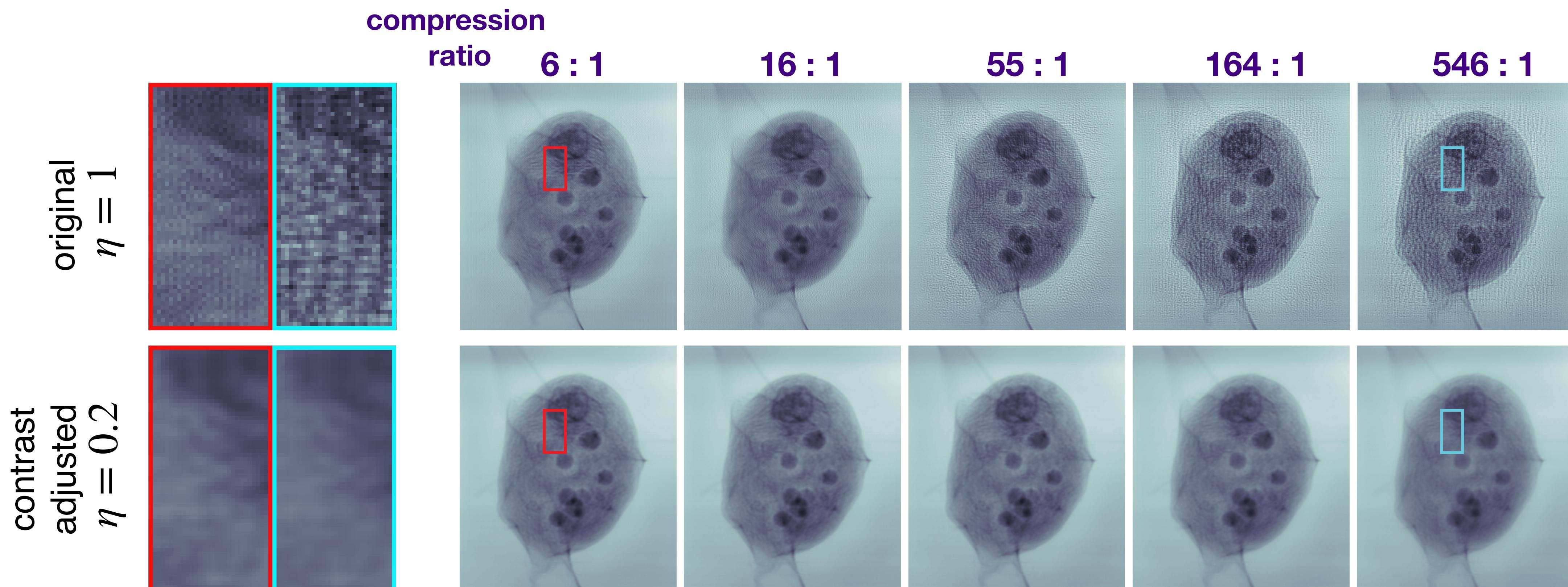
164 : 1

Source of the artifacts:

- (1) Different probe functions were used in these two experiments
- (2) Noise was present in the encoding data

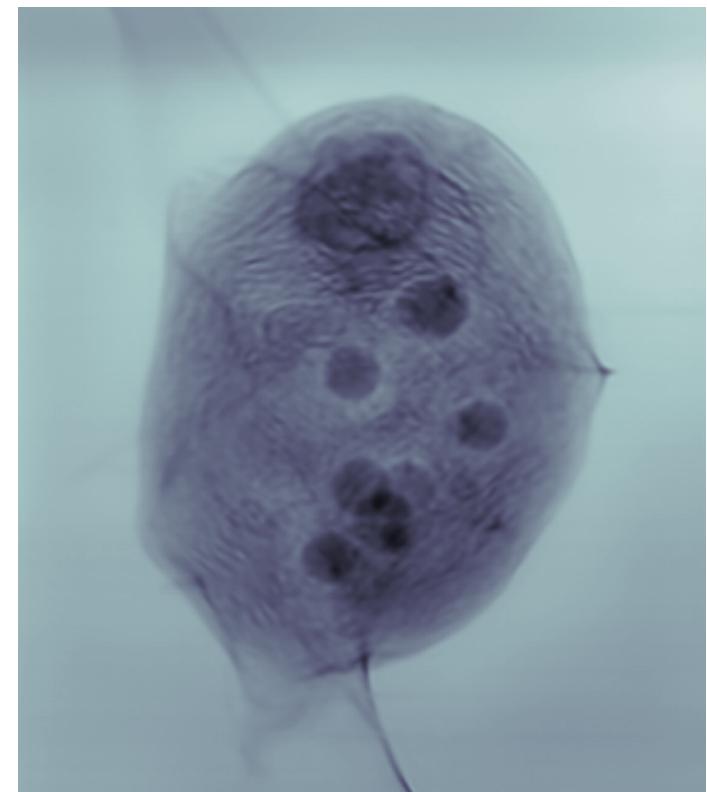


Another new idea: encoding using noise-free training object



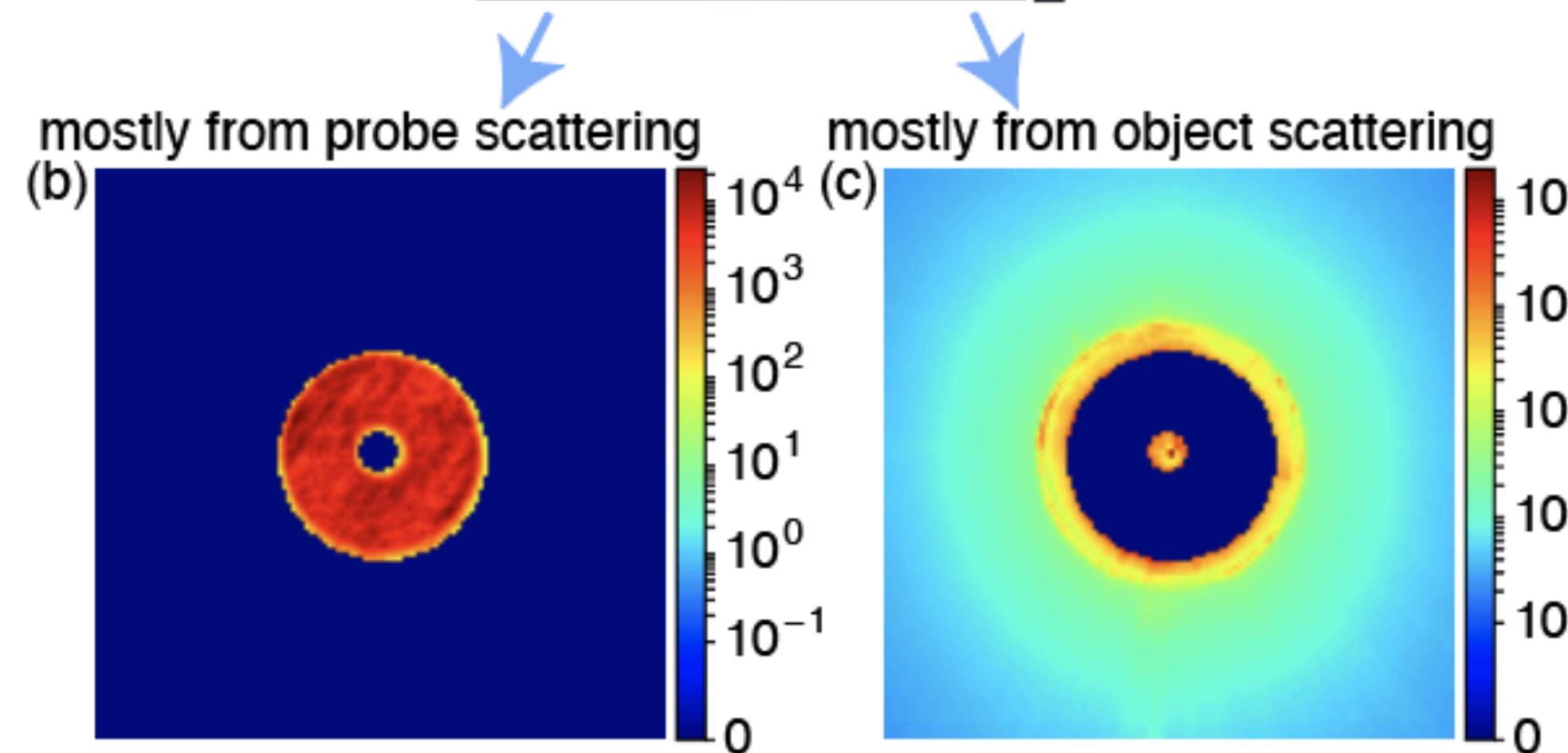
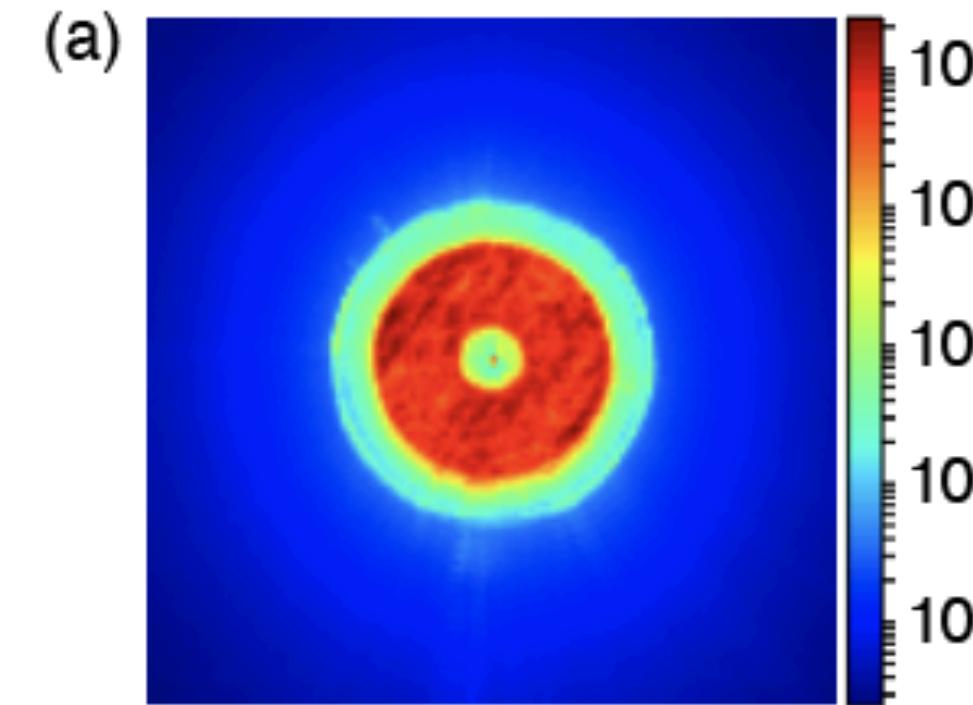
Even better: contrast-matched training object

Sample



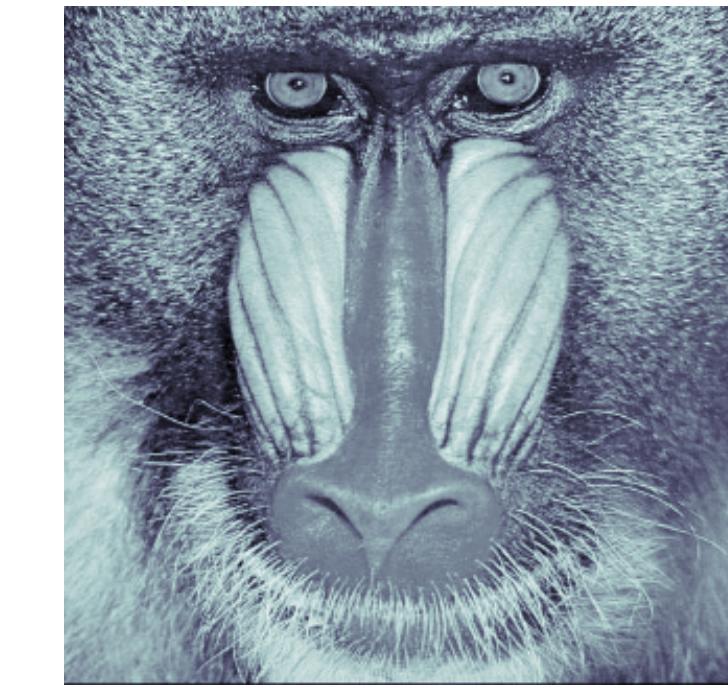
Experimental data

Far-field diffraction pattern
averaged over all scan positions

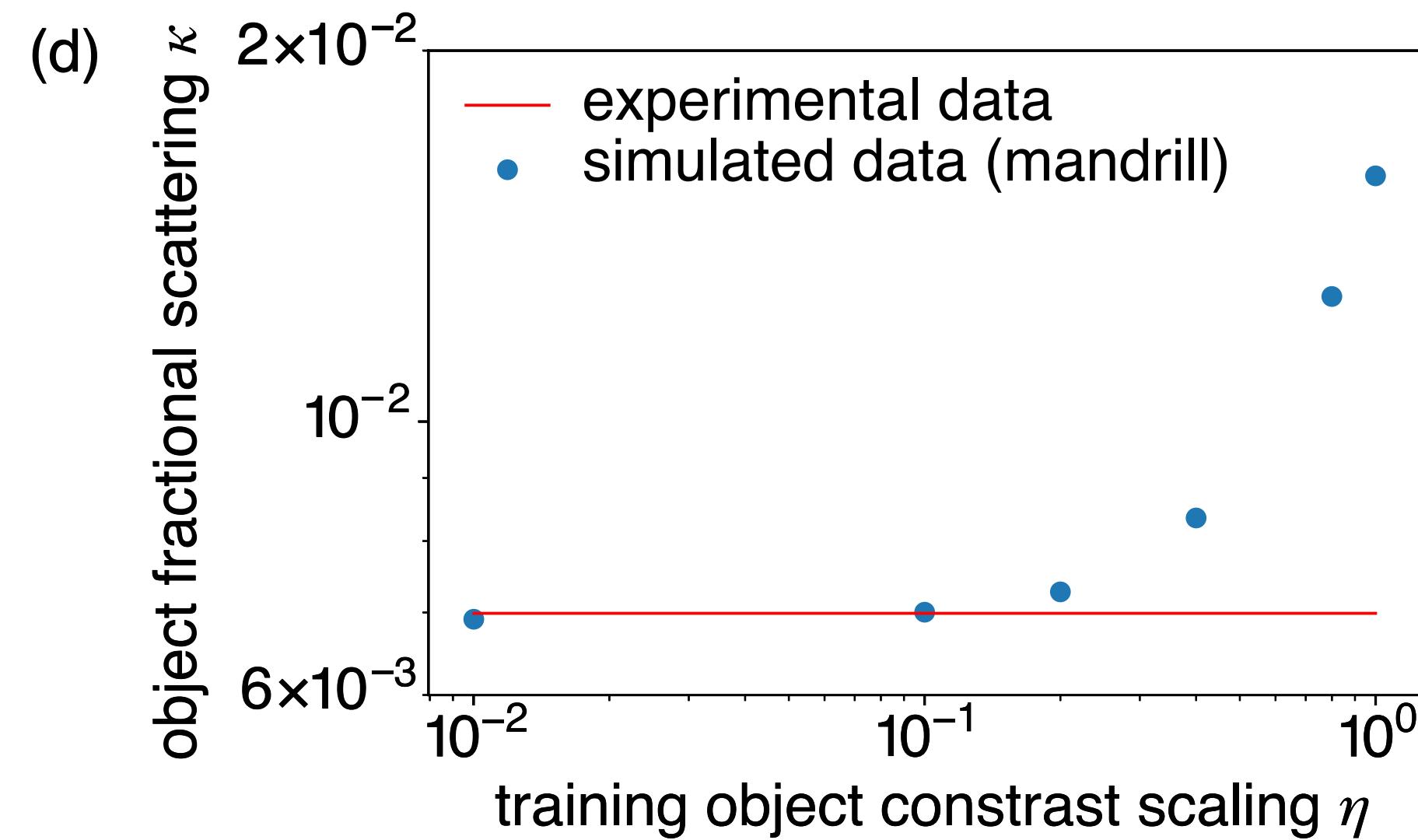


$$\text{Object fractional scattering } \kappa = \frac{\text{object scattering}}{\text{probe scattering}}$$

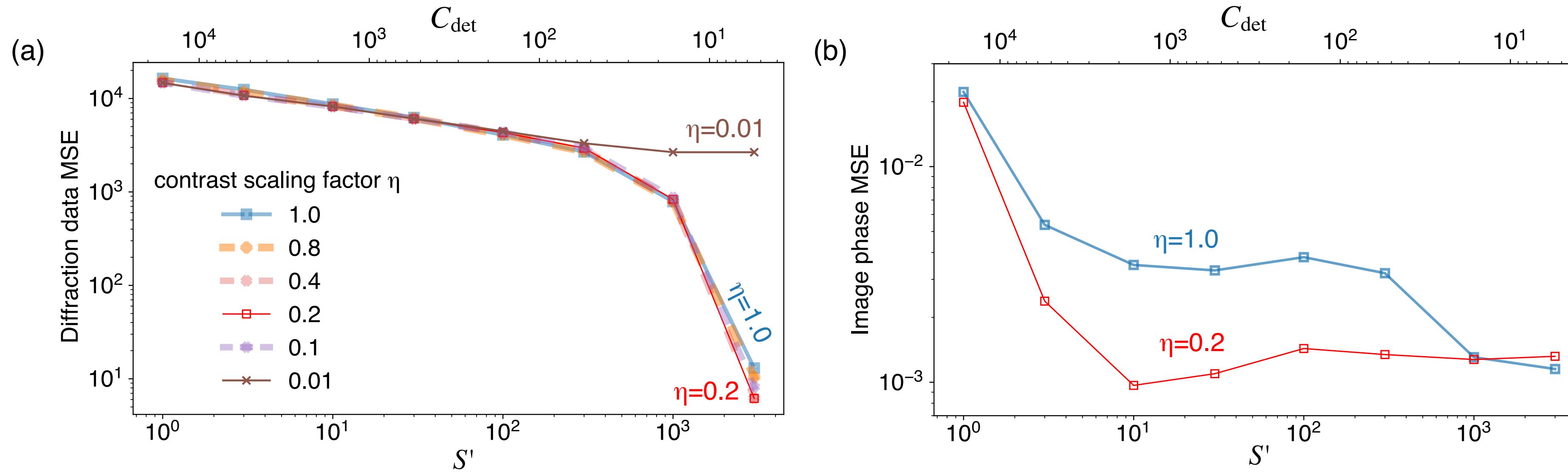
Training Object



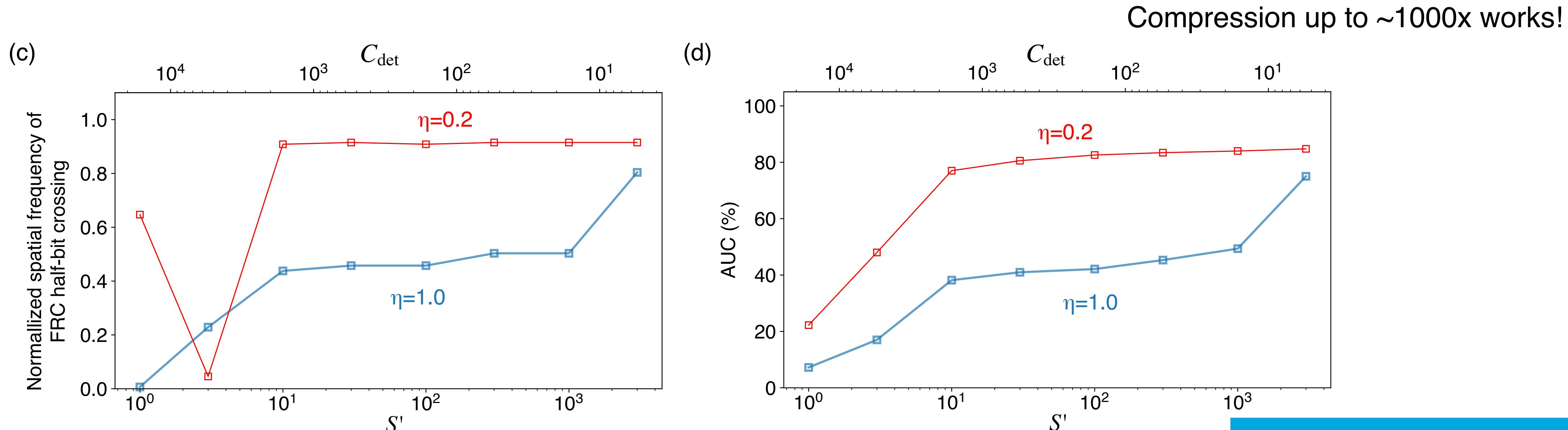
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Metric for fidelity: Diffraction data MSE & Image phase MSE



Metric for resolution: Fourier ring correlation (FRC) half-bit threshold



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