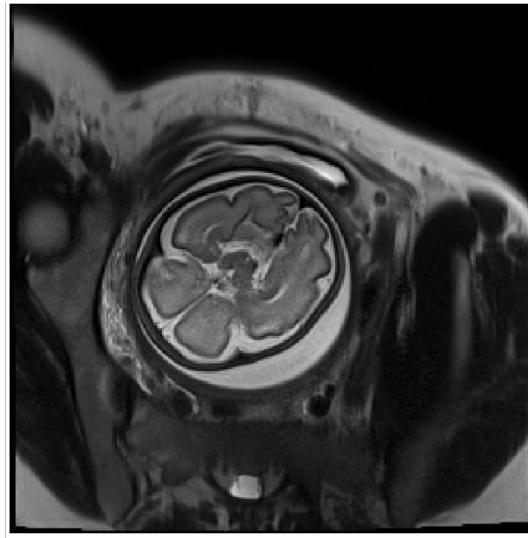
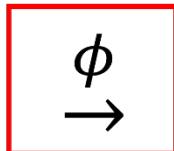


# A Machine Learning Approach for Mitigating Artifacts in Fetal Imaging due to an Under-sampled HASTE Sequence



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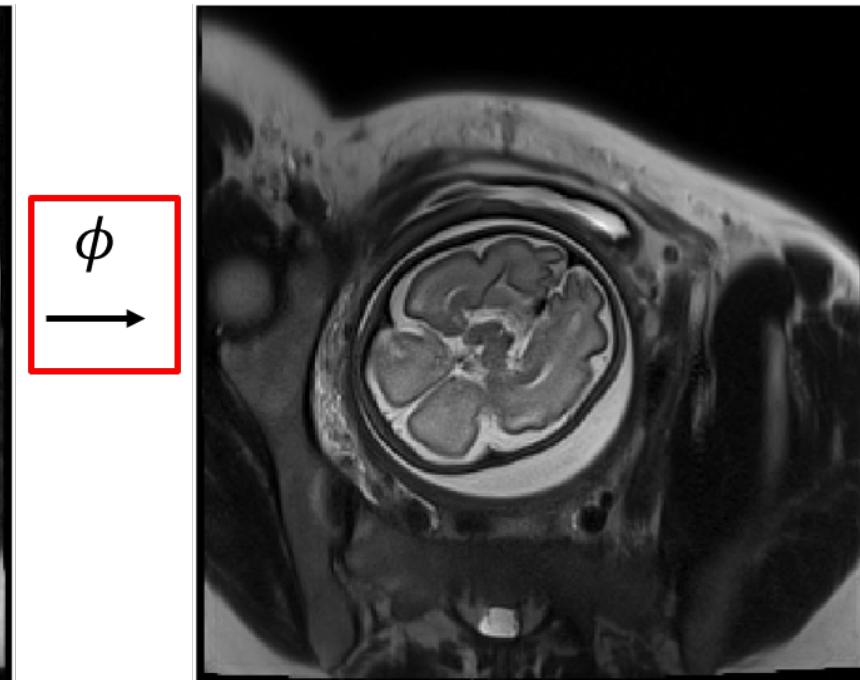
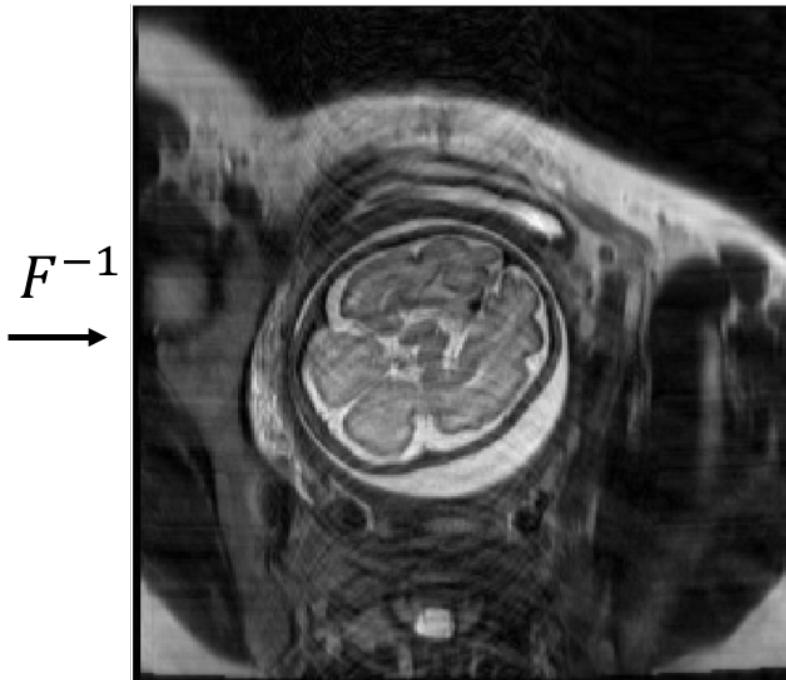
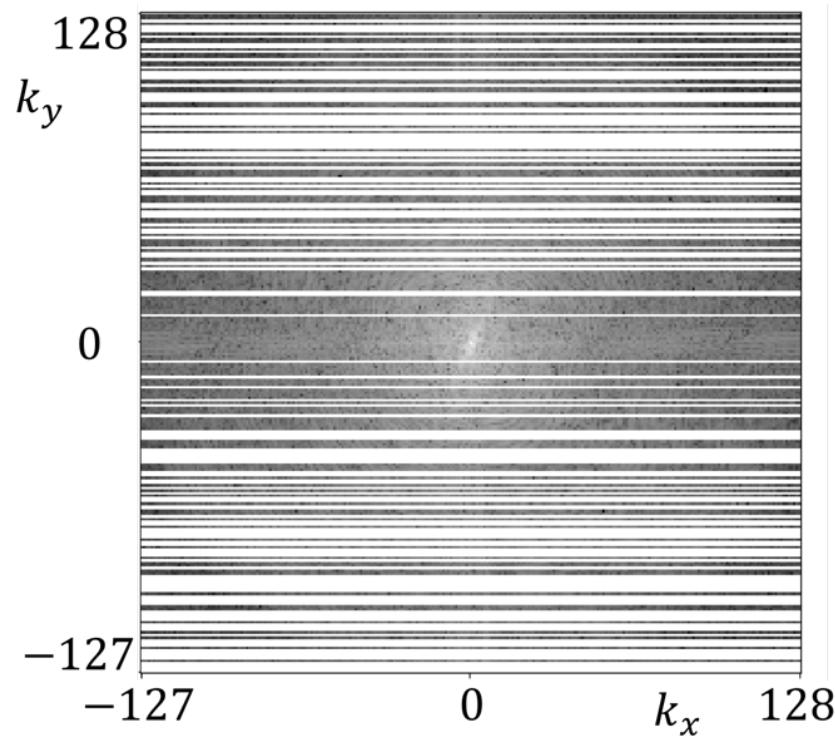
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# Image Reconstruction Problem

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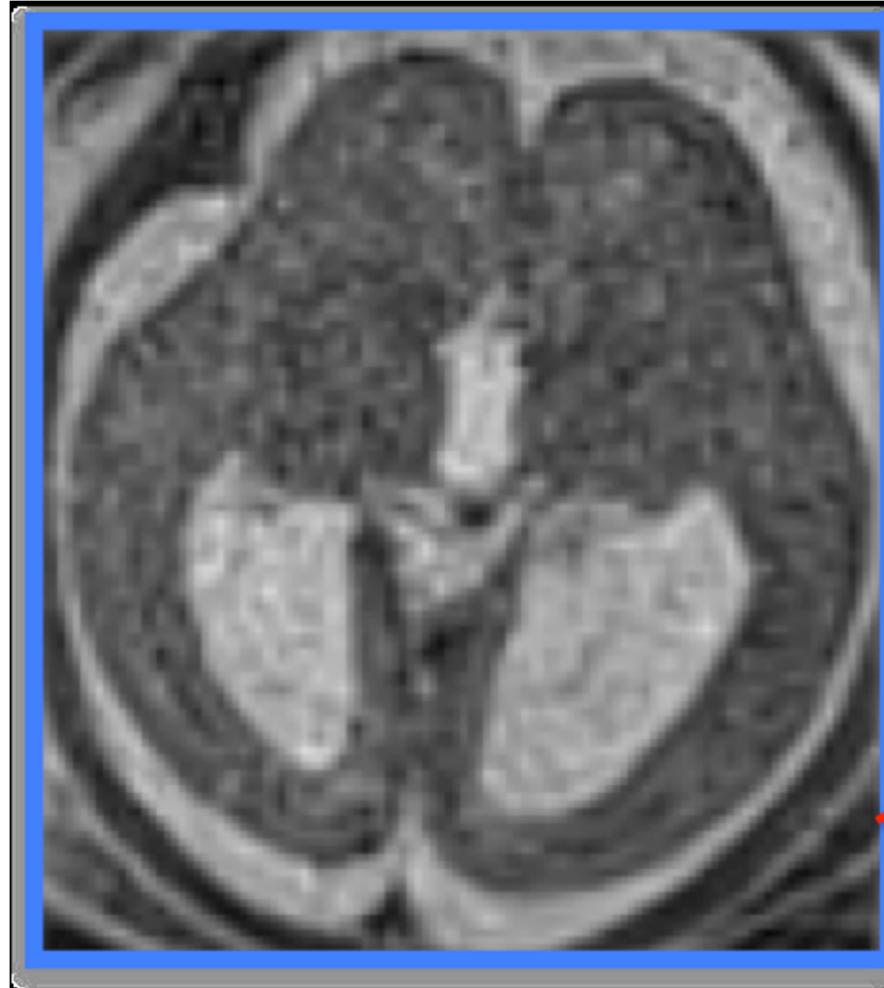
Goal: Learn  $\phi$



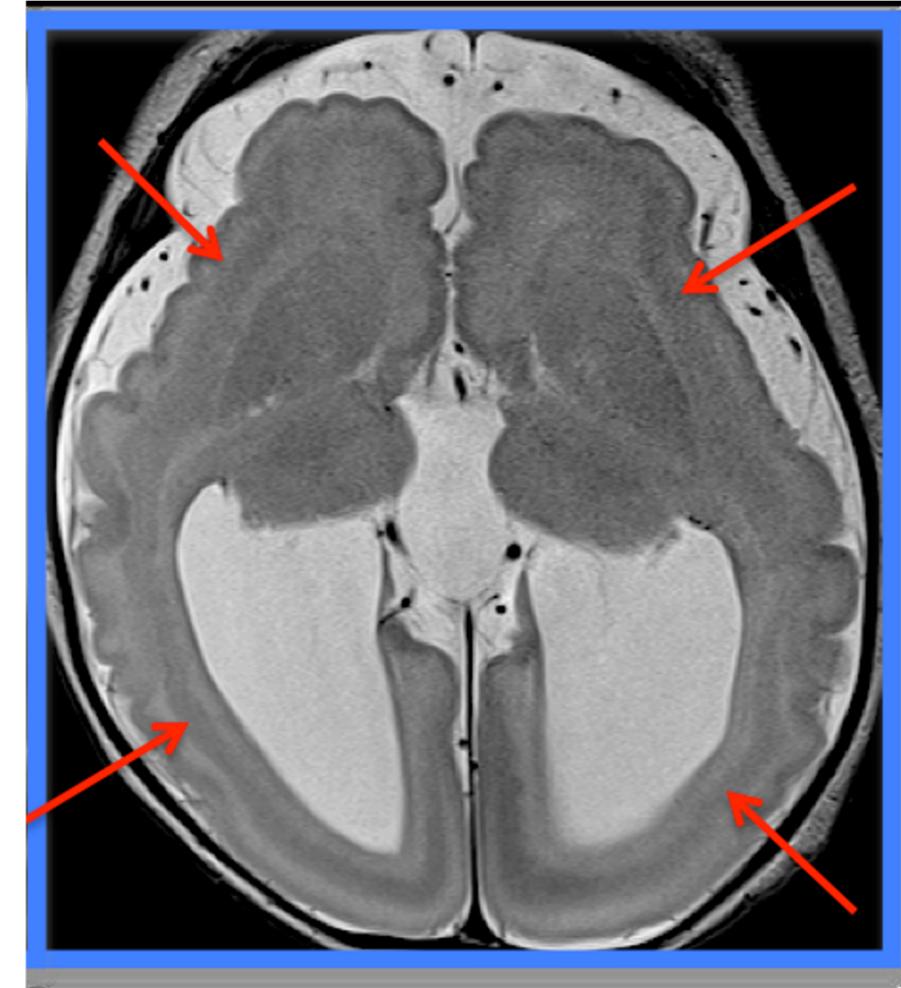
Undersampling k-space improves T2 contrast by shortening echo train length.

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**HASTE – Single Shot**



**TSE – Multi Shot**



Voxel resolution

$1.2 \times 1.2 \times 3 \text{ mm}^3$

$0.4 \times 0.4 \times 2.5 \text{ mm}^3$



# Image Reconstruction Algorithms

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## Naïve Zero-Filled

$$m_{zf} = F^{-1}y$$

$m$  is the reconstructed image

$y$  are the measured Fourier space samples

$F^{-1}$  is the inverse Fourier transform operator

$F_u$  is the Fourier undersampling operator

## Compressed Sensing

$$m_{CS} = \underset{m}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|F_u m - y\|_2^2 + \alpha \|\psi m\|_1$$

$\alpha$  captures the tradeoff between data consistency and regularization

$\psi$  is a non-linear operator transforming from pixel to sparse domain

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## Deep Learning

$$m_{dl} = f(m_{zf} | \theta)$$

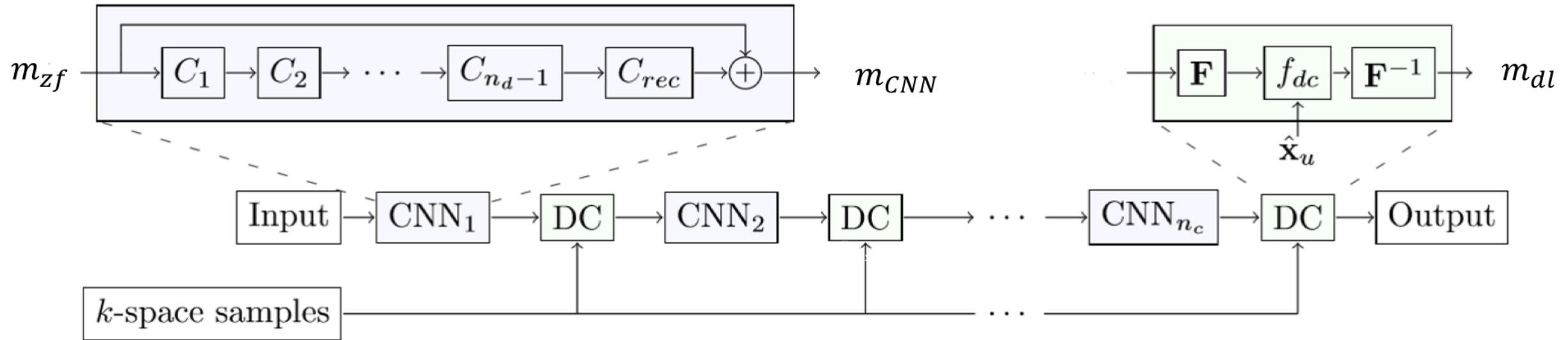
$$L(\theta) = \sum_{(m_{zf}, m) \in training\ set} \min_{\theta} \|m - m_{dl}(\theta)\|_2^2$$

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# Deep Learning Image Reconstruction Architecture: Cascade of CNNs

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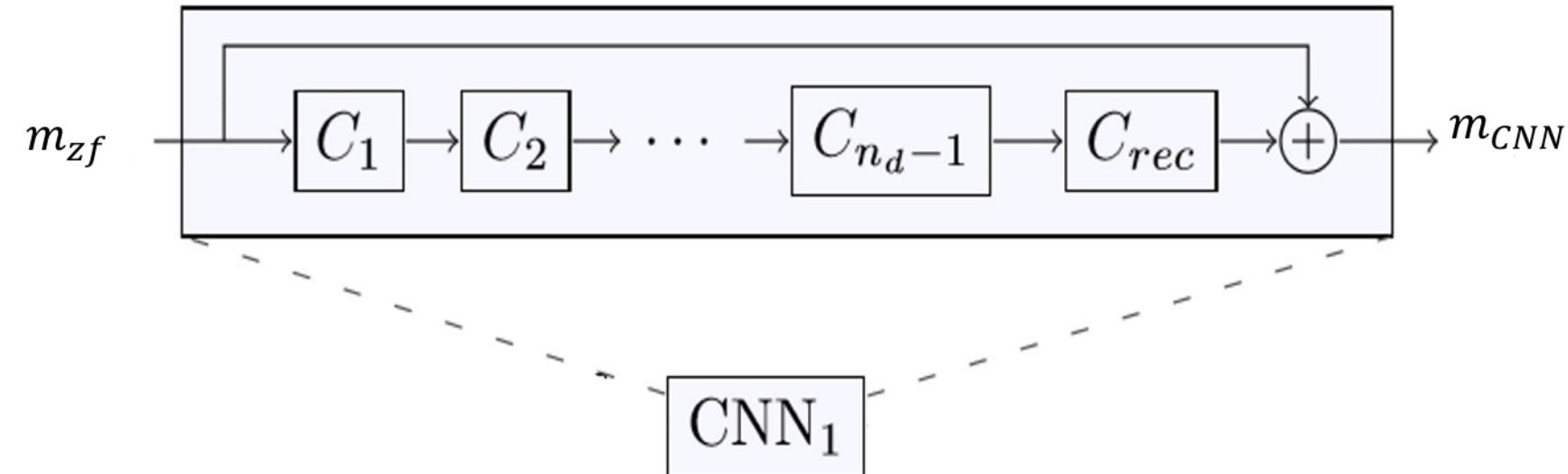
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# Deep Learning Image Reconstruction Architecture: CNN Module

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Parameters for each convolutional layer  $C_i$

- Each is followed by ReLu
- Kernel size: 3 x 3
- Number of filters: 64



Parameters for convolutional layer  $C_{rec}$

- Kernel size: 3 x 3
- Number of filters: 2

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# Evaluation Method: Architecture and Training Parameters

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- Network:  $n_c = 5, n_d = 5$
- Batch size: 10
- Network weights: He initialization
- Adam optimizer:  $\alpha = 10^{-4}, \beta_1 = 0.9, \beta_2 = 0.999$
- Weight decay:  $l_2 = 10^{-7}$

# Dataset

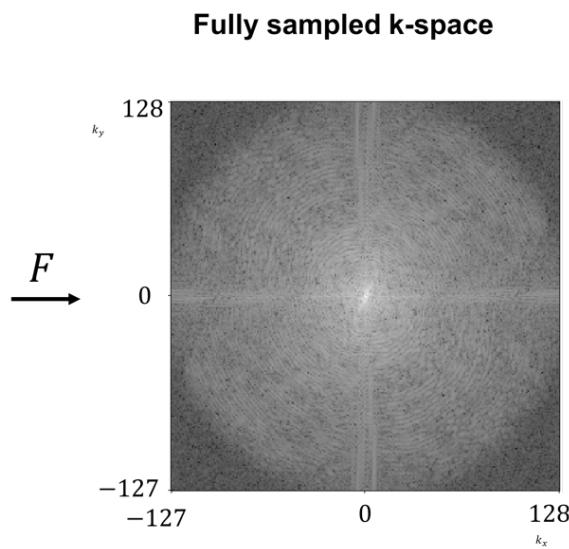
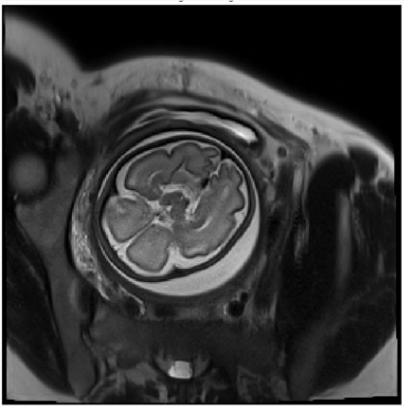
- 10 scans from fetal imaging<sup>1</sup>
  - Training dataset: 7 patients' data, ~3000 images
  - Test dataset: 3 patients' data, ~1000 images
- Parameters for MRI
  - Magnitude images from vendor reconstructions of Fourier data using GRAPPA=2 HASTE and partial Fourier
  - Image size: 256 x 256

<sup>1</sup>Obtained from Boston Children's Hospital in collaboration with Dr. Ellen Grant, Director of Fetal-Neonatal Neuroimaging and Development Science Center

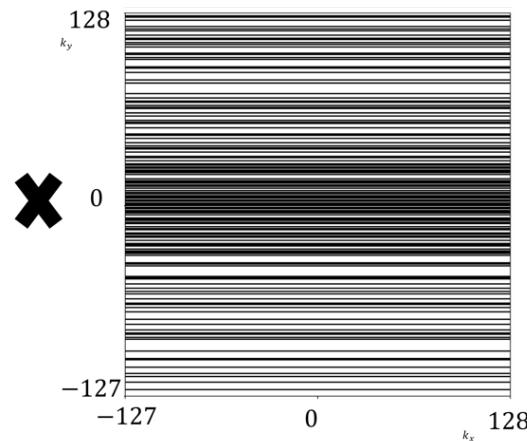
# Dataset Creation via Retrospective Undersampling

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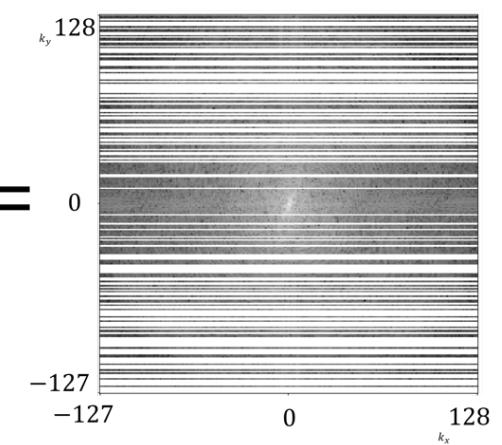
Ground Truth



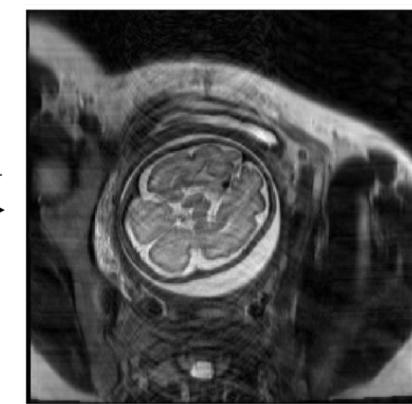
Gaussian Cartesian k-space  
Undersampling Mask with ACS



Undersampled k-space



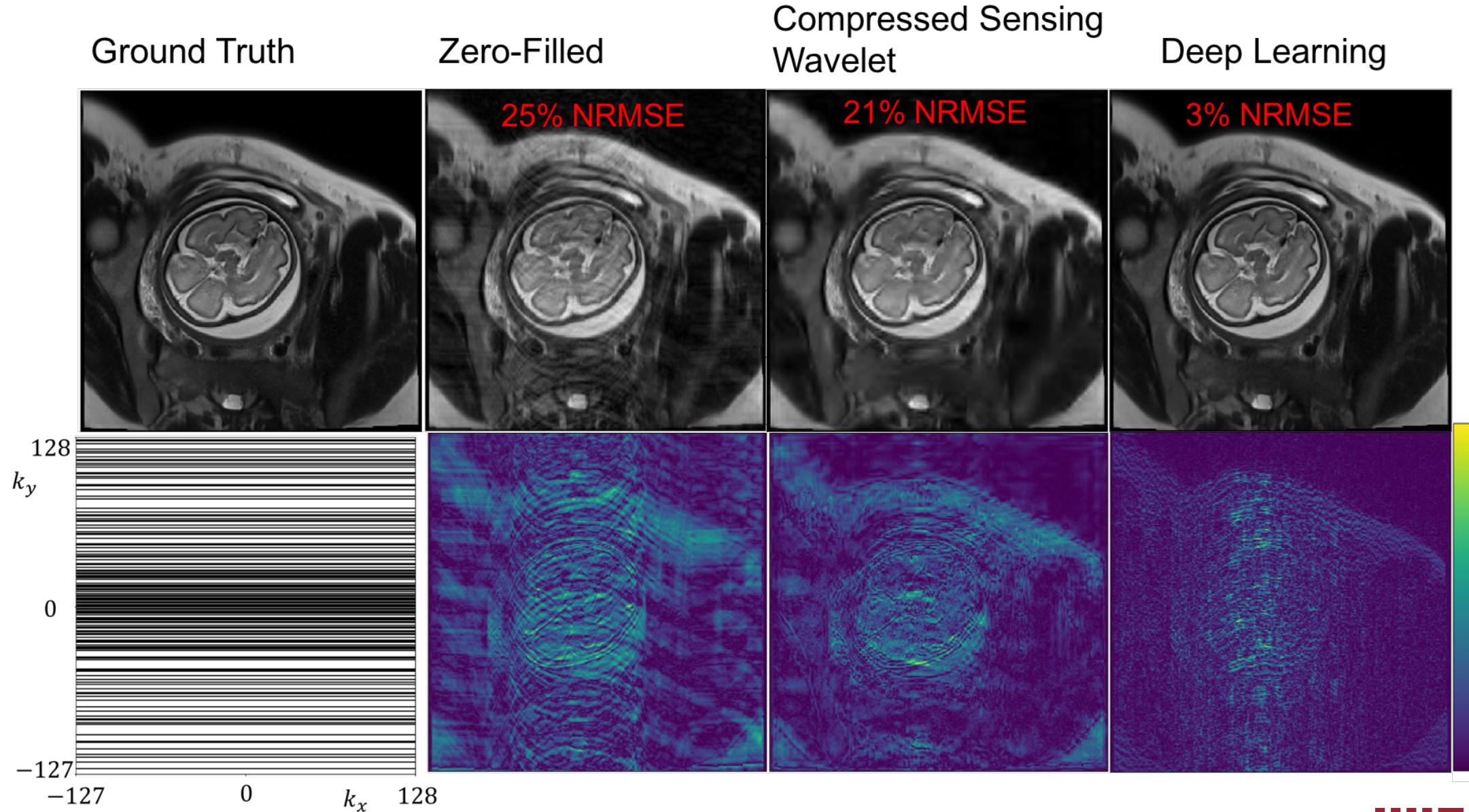
Naïve Zero-filled  
reconstruction



$$F^{-1}$$

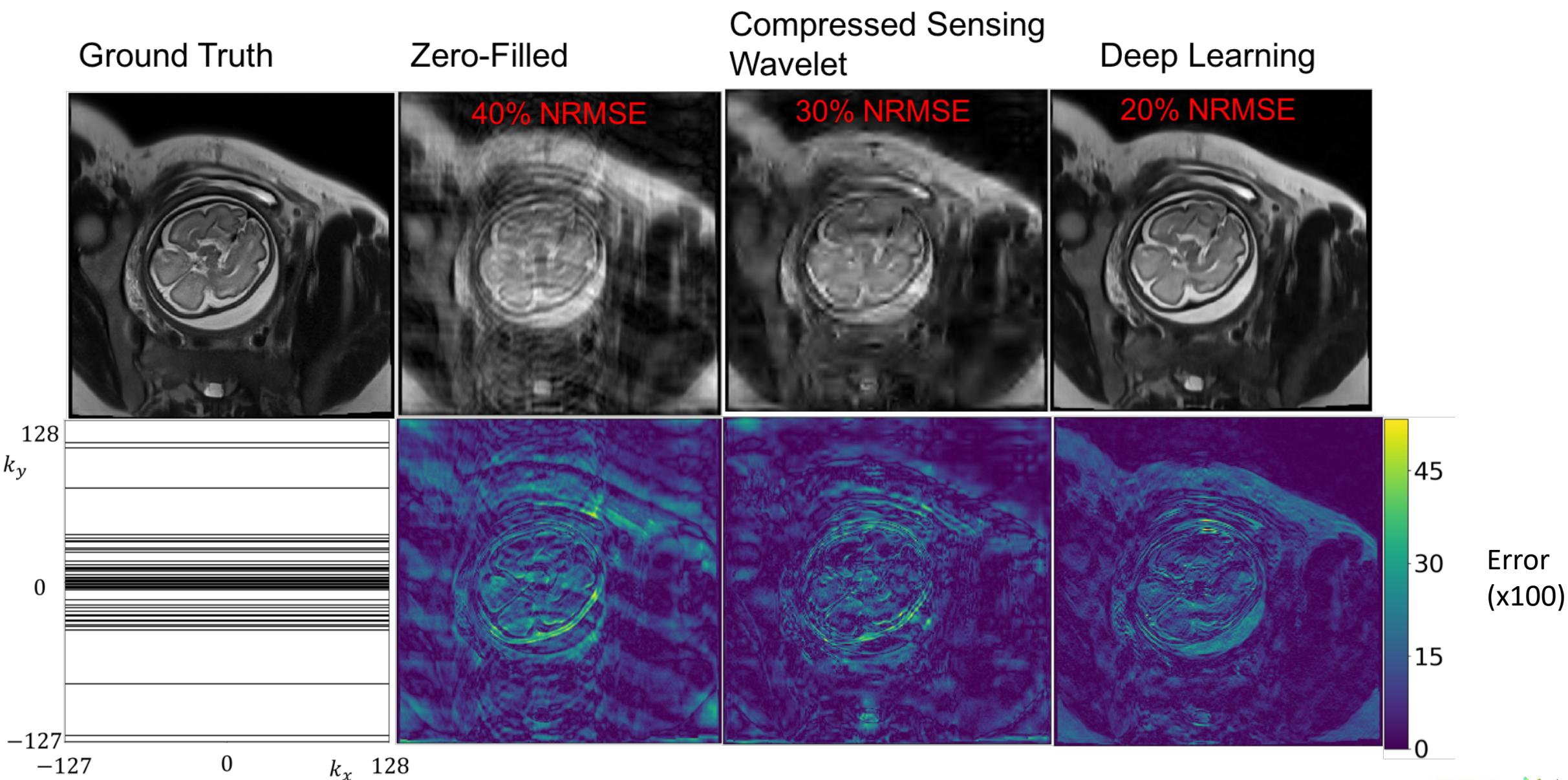
# Sample Reconstruction, R=2

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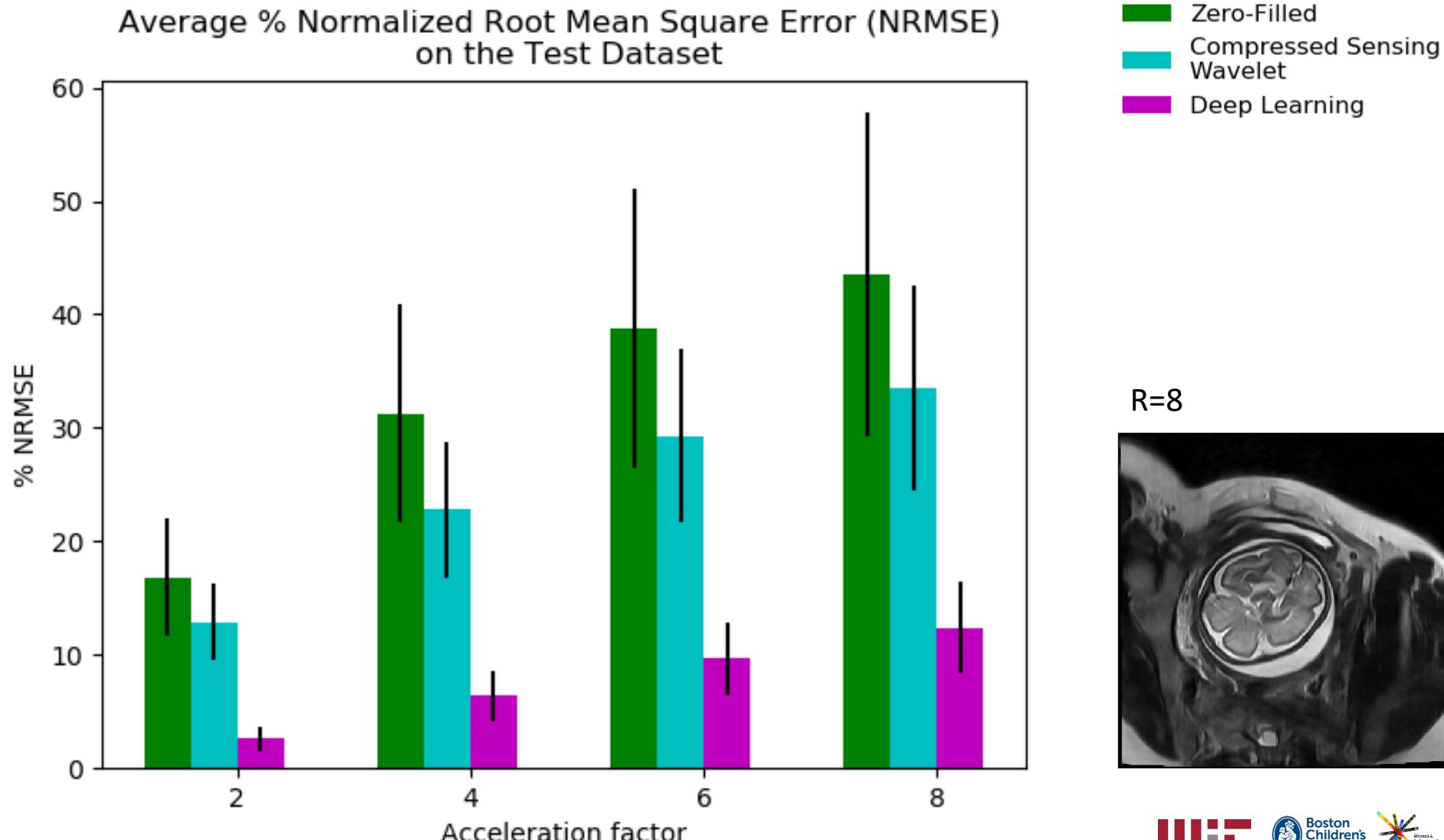


# Sample Reconstruction, R=6

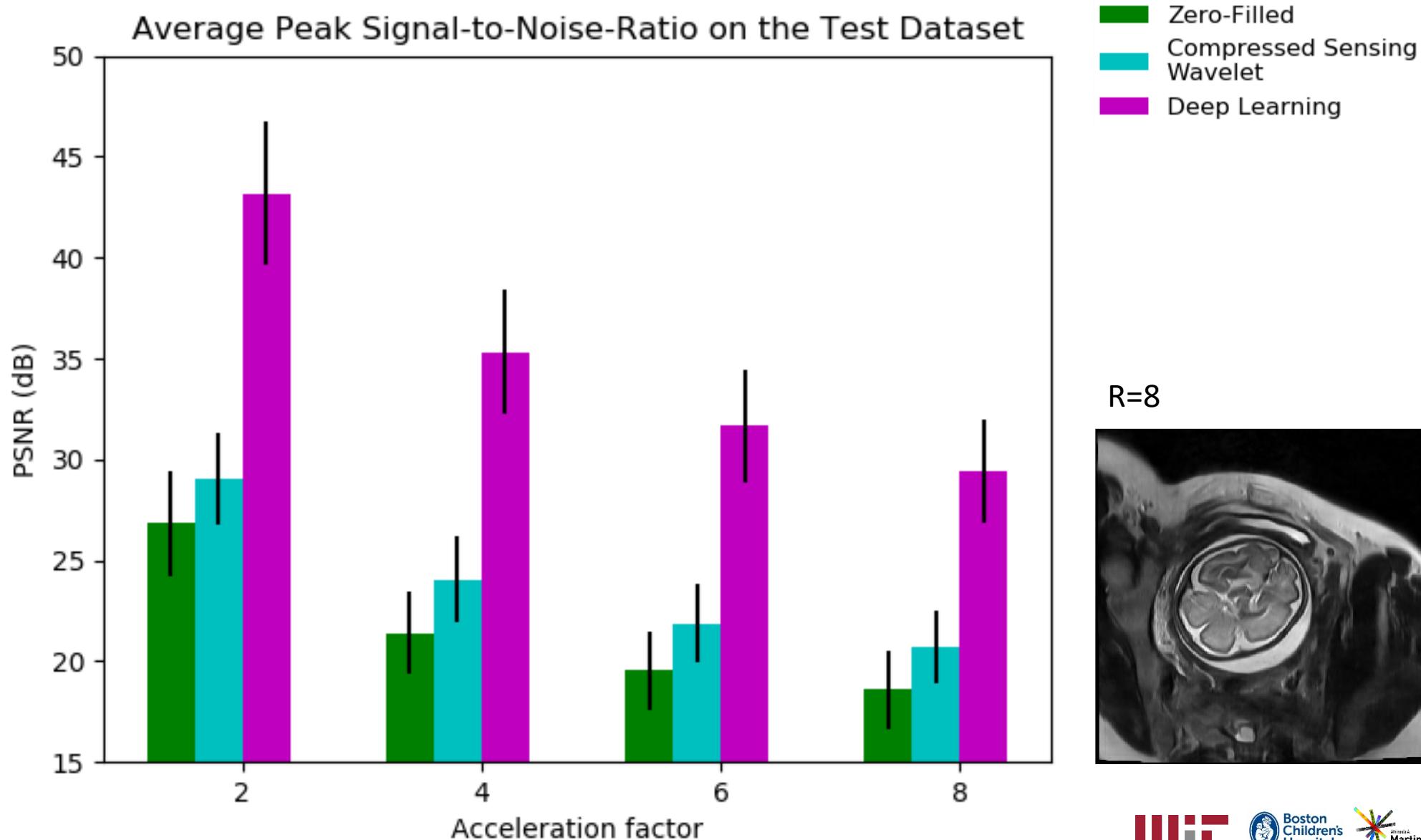
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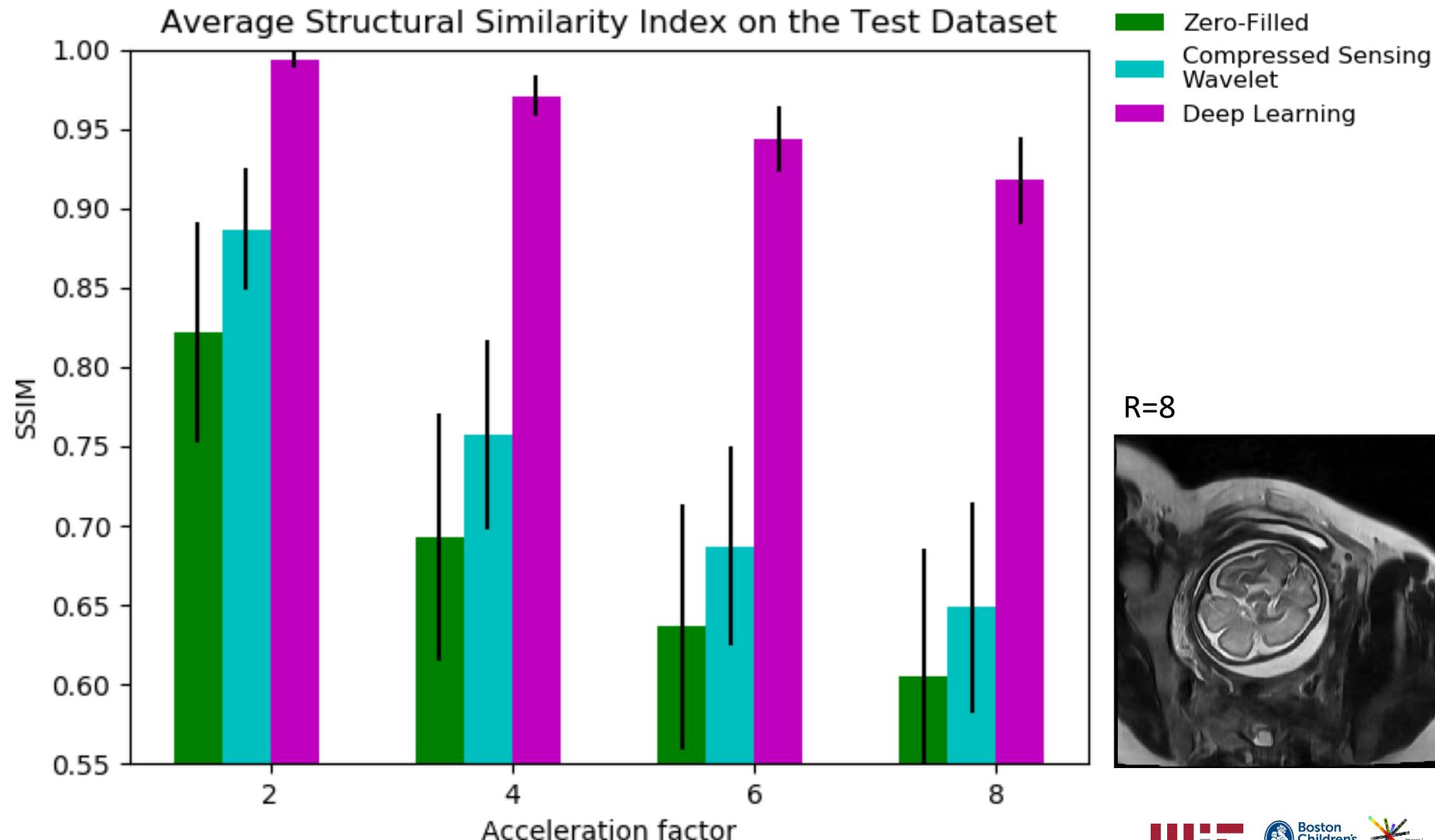
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# Conclusions

- Deep Learning reconstruction
  - performs significantly better than Compressed Sensing and Zero filled image reconstruction
  - suffers from higher residual error over high spatial frequency features with increased k-space undersampling
- Based on radiologist evaluation, deep learning recons. with < 5-6% NRMSE are high quality

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## Future work:

- Evaluate Deep Learning recon. on prospectively sampled data
- Extend the Deep Learning network to
  - Process Volumetric data



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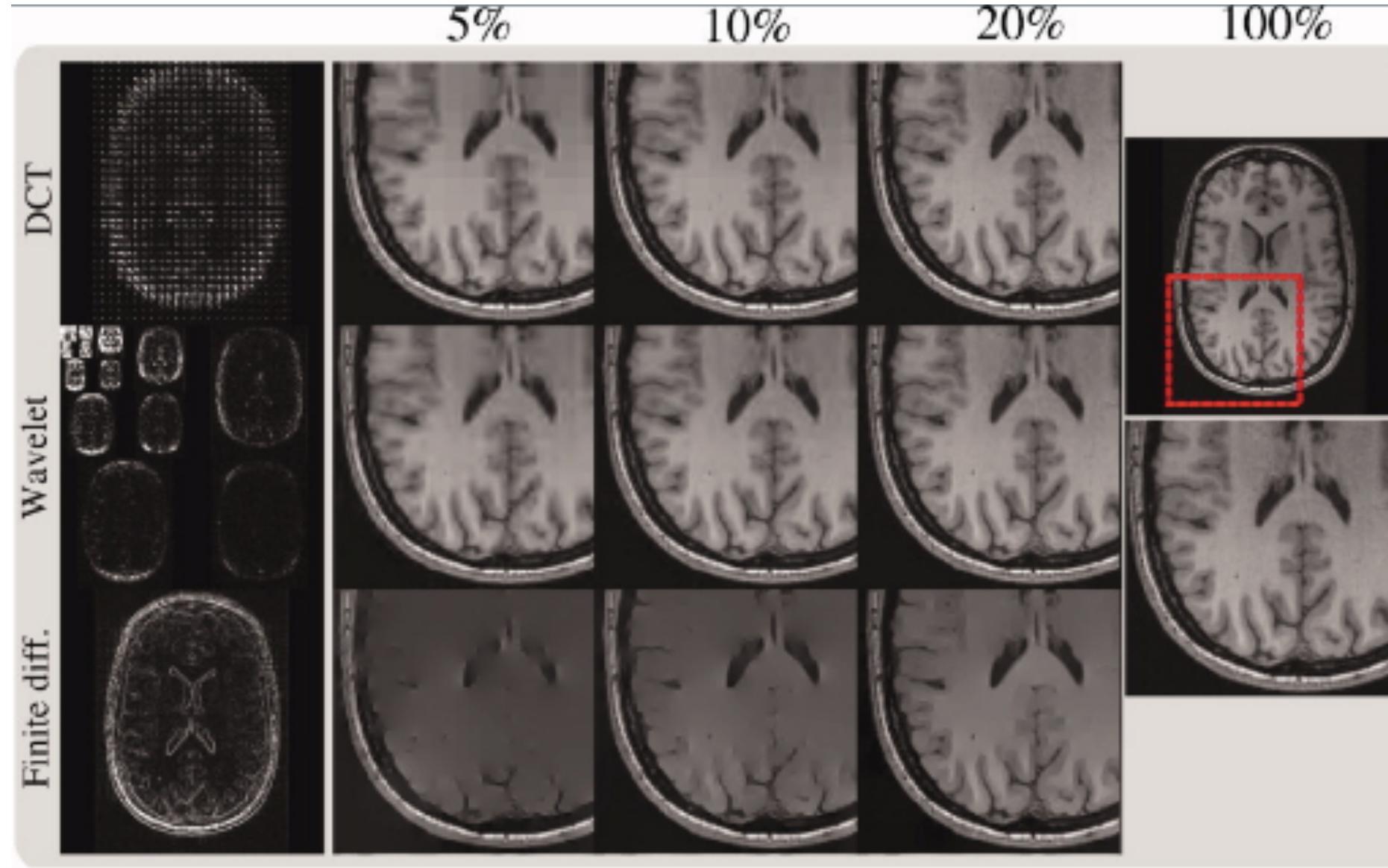
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# Compressed Sensing Sparsifying Transforms

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