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# From compressive sensing to analog to information converters

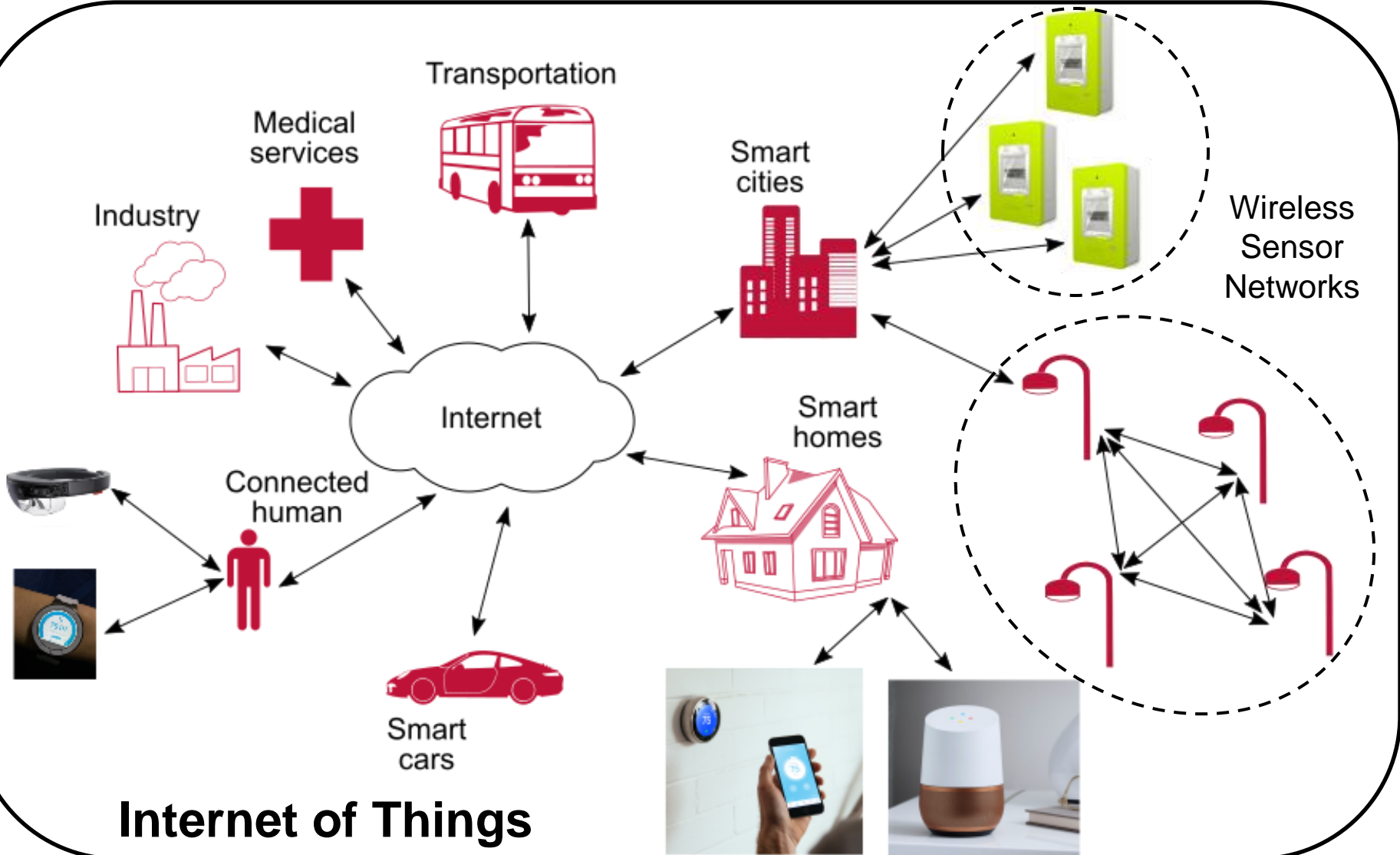
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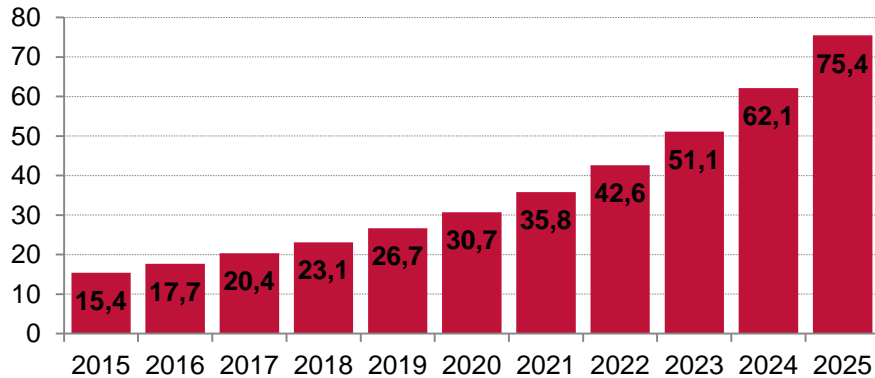
# The Internet of Things (IoT)



Internet of Things

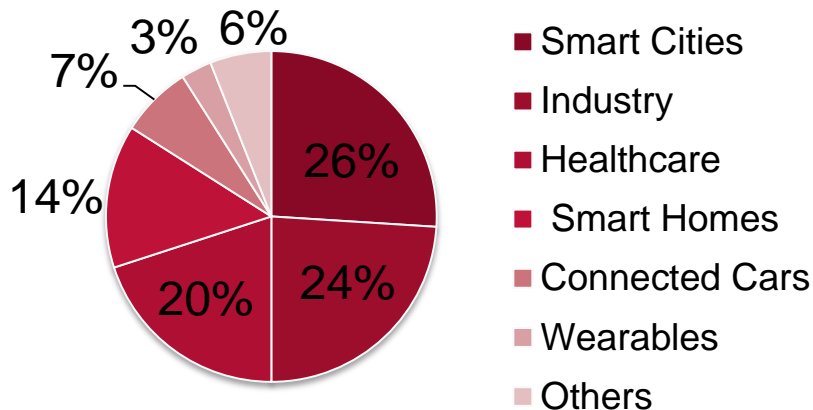
# Global IoT market predictions

## Connected devices in billions



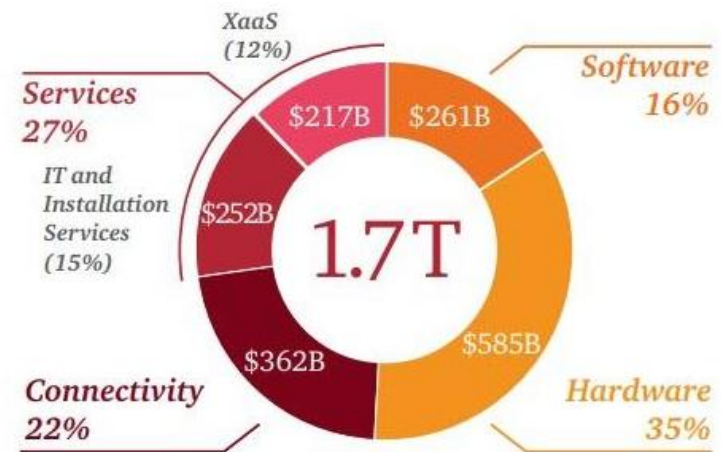
Source: Statista 2015

## IoT by sector



Source: Growthnabler 2017

## IoT revenue by technology in 2020



Sources: "IDC's Worldwide Internet of Things Taxonomy, 2015," IDC, May 2015;  
 "Worldwide Internet of Things Forecast, 2015 – 2020," IDC, May 2015.

# Digital data volume explosion

## The Digital Universe Is Huge —And Growing Exponentially

EMC DIGITAL  
UNIVERSE  
INFOBRIEF

With Research & Analysis by IDC



4.4

ZETTABYTES

In 2013, there were almost as many bits in the Digital Universe as stars in the physical universe



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ZETTABYTES

Source: IDC, 2014  
• iPad Air – 0.29" thick, 128 GB

2013

If the Digital Universe were represented by the memory in a stack of tablets, in 2013 it would have stretched two-thirds the way to the Moon\*

2020

By 2020, there would be 6.6 stacks from the Earth to the Moon\*



# Presentation summary

- 1. Wireless sensor networks and smart sensors**
- 2. Principle of compressive sensing**
- 3. Architecture for analog to information converters**
- 4. Signal reconstruction algorithms**
- 5. Conclusion**

# Wireless sensor networks and smart sensors

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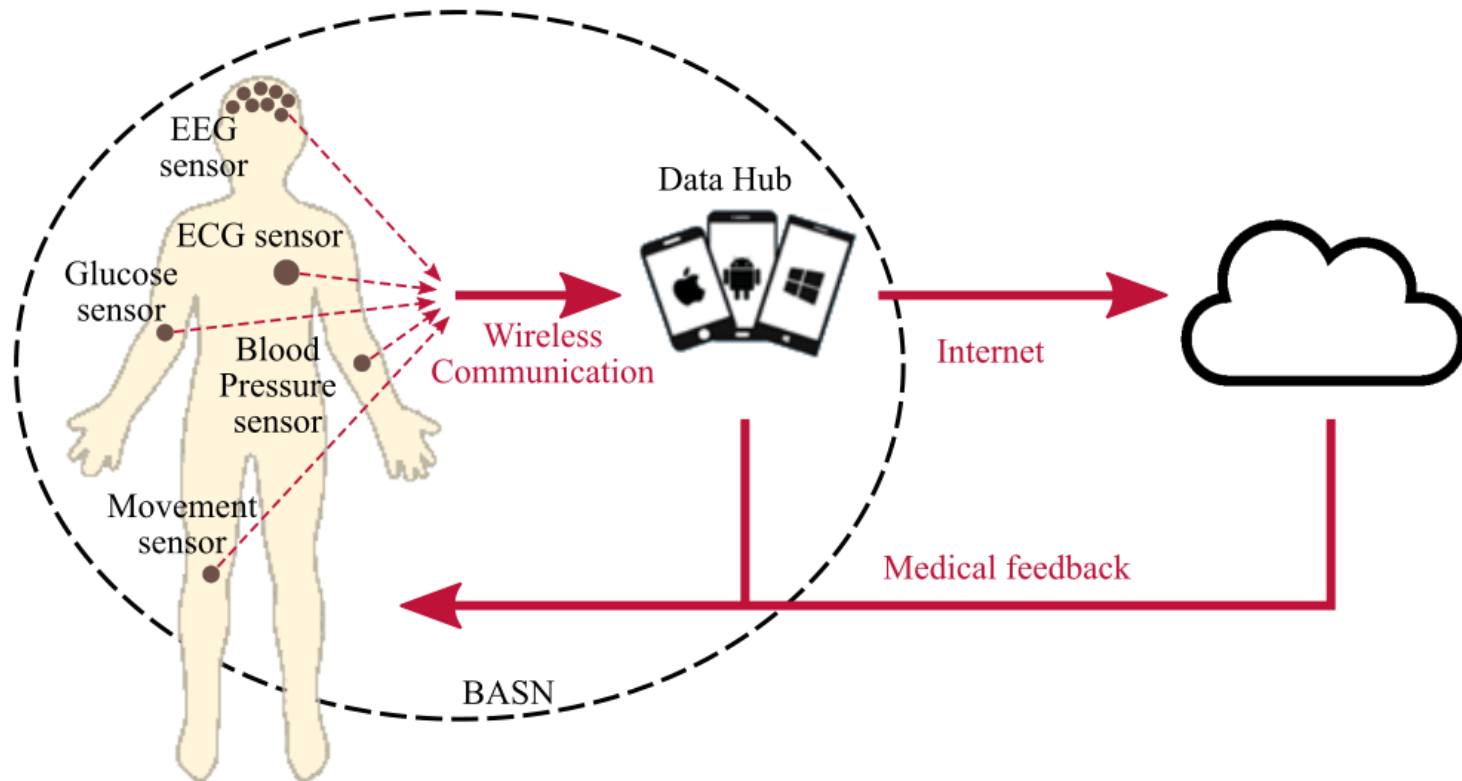
## 5. Conclusion

- What are the constraints for WSN and smart sensors ?
- How to overcome these constraints ?



# Wireless sensor network architecture

Example of the Body Area Sensor Network



Group activity:

- 4/5 students, 5 minutes
- Make a list of the constraints for the sensors and rank them

# New challenges

## Security

- Data confidentiality and integrity
- Security mechanisms embedded into circuits



## Interoperability

- Interferences between WSN
- Specific communication protocols



## Data transfer

- Increasing amount of data and bandwidth
- Saturation of the RF spectrum



## Power consumption

- Sensor working on batteries
- Energy source replacement is not always possible

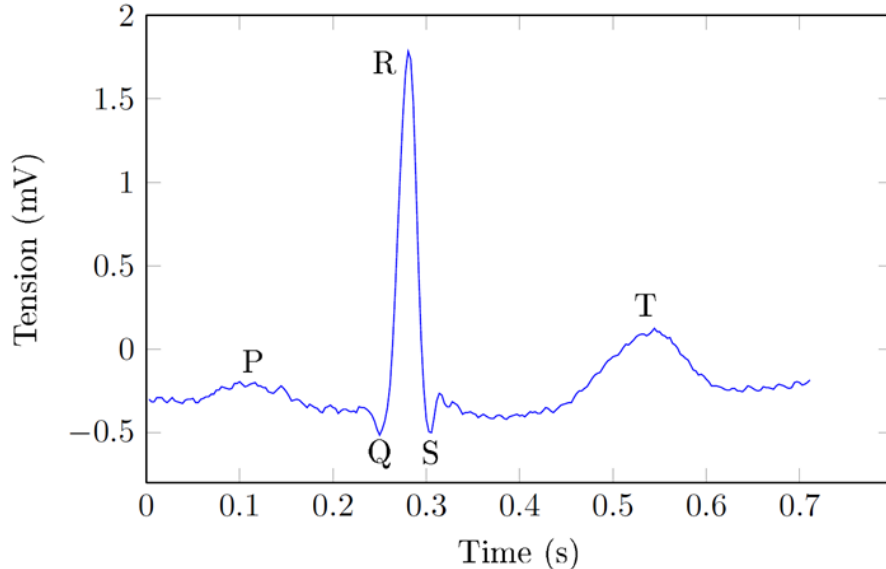




# Example 1: electrocardiogram (ECG) signal

## Cardiac arrhythmia detection

- Heart diseases responsible for 15.5 % of worldwide death
- Well studied subject



## ECG signal characteristics

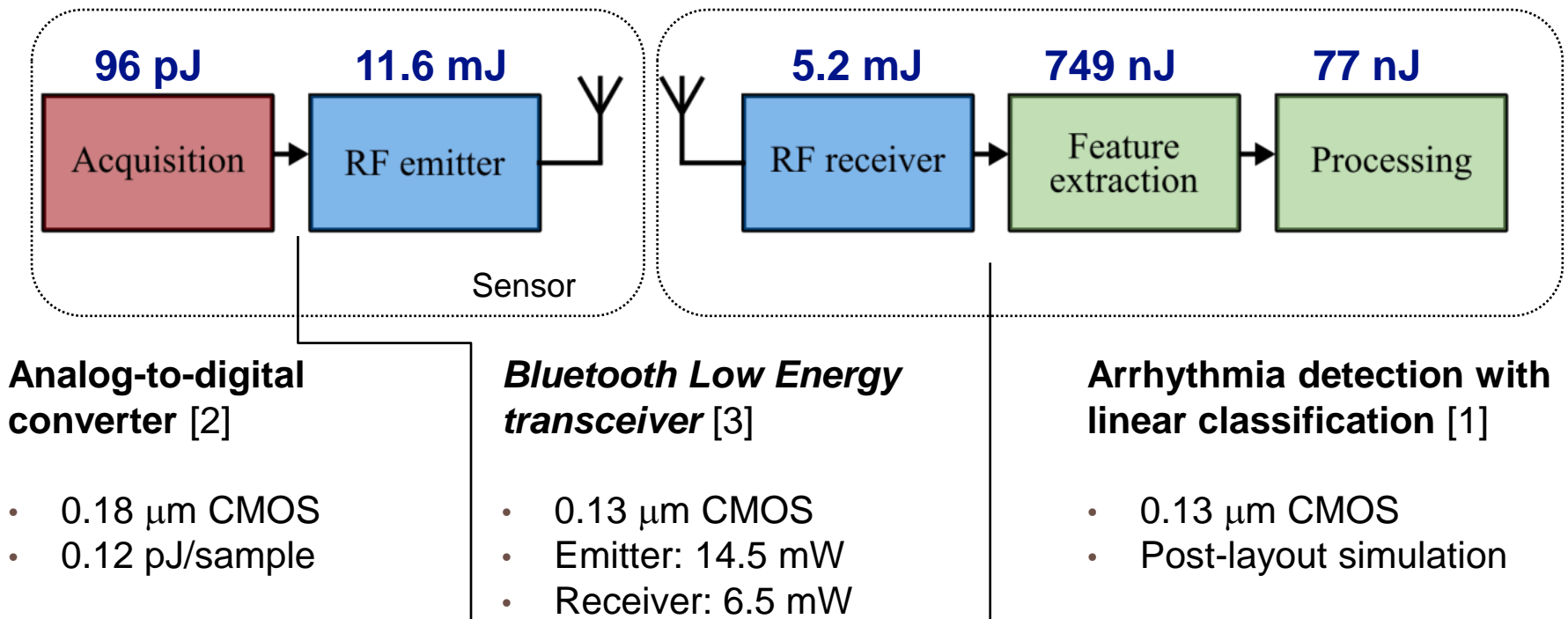
- Continuous signal
- Cycle duration: 0.5 – 0.9 s
- Sampling frequency: 200 – 1000 Hz
- Precision: ~ 10 bits

## Application

- Arrhythmia detection from [1]
- Signal is 800 10-bit samples
- 1 kHz sampling frequency

[1] T. Chen *et al.* . Design of a Low-Power On-Body ECG Classifier for Remote Cardiovascular Monitoring Systems. IEEE Journal on Emerging and Selected Topics in Circuits and Systems, March 2013

# Example 1: simple sensor

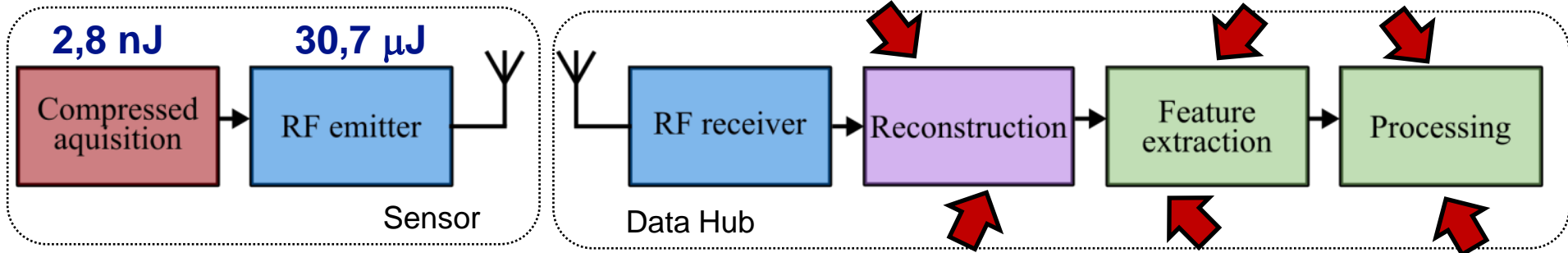


**Transmission require the most energy**

[2] L. Yan *et al.* A 0.5- V 12- W Wirelessly Powered Patch-Type Healthcare Sensor for Wearable Body Sensor Network. IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits, November 2010.

[3] A. C. W. Wong *et al.* A 1 V 5 mA Multimode IEEE 802.15.6/Bluetooth Low-Energy WBAN Transceiver for Biotelemetry Applications. IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits, January 2013.

# Example 1: using compression



## Compress the data during acquisition: compressed sensing

- Use knowledge on signal structure
- Reduce the amount of data to be transmitted

## Analog-to-information converter [4]

- 0.13  $\mu\text{m}$  CMOS
- 4 fold compression
- 14 pJ/compressed sample

**Sensor energy requirement is divided by 377**

## Limitations

- Reconstruction Algorithm is complex
- Reconstruction error increases with the compression factor

[4] D. Gangopadhyay *et al.* Compressed Sensing Analog Front-End for Bio-Sensor Applications. IEEE Journal of Solid-State Circuits February 2014.

# Example 2: Astrophysical measurements

## Radio emission from Jupiter

- S-burst: interaction between Jupiter and its satellite Io
- Range: [0.45 – 40] MHz
- Digital receiver connected to the Nançay Decametric Array in France



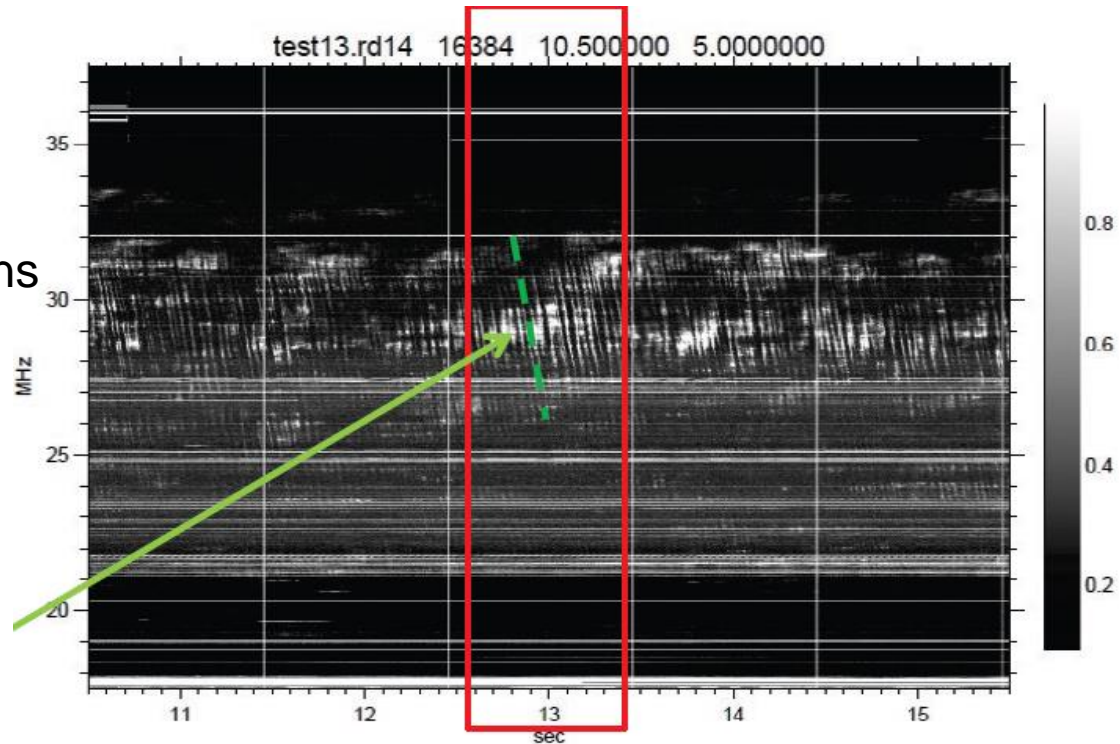
# Example 2: Astrophysical measurements

## Receiver

- Spectrogram of Jovian Signal
- 14 bit @ 80 Ms/s
- 5 sec = 5.6 billions bits
- Vertical lines: periodic calibrations
- Horizontal lines: terrestrial radio broadcasts (radars, radio, TV)

## Useful information

- Frequency drift: green slope
- Value around 20 MHz/s



**How to get this information with far fewer samples?**

# Principle of compressive sensing

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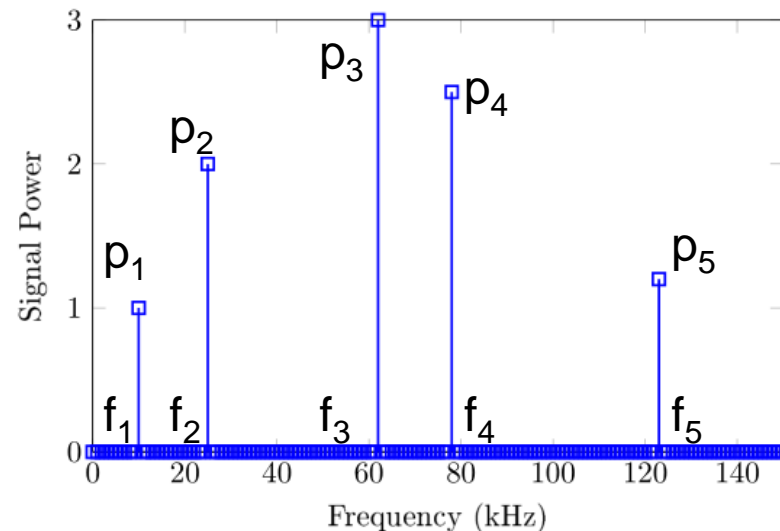
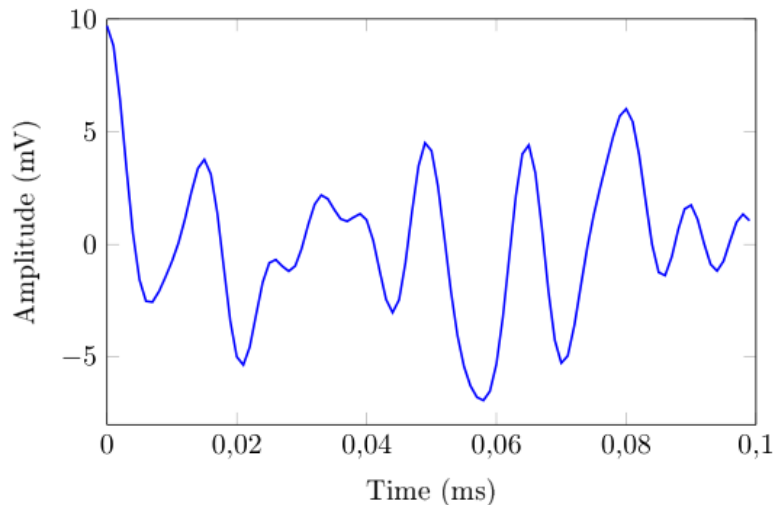
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- What is compressive sensing?
- What are its pros and cons?

# Nyquist and Information rate



## Nyquist Rate

- Shannon-Nyquist theorem for perfect reconstruction:  $F_s \geq 2F_{\max} = 2B$
- Signal representation require  $2 \cdot W \cdot T$  samples
- For  $T=1$  ms and  $B=123$  kHz  $\Rightarrow$  246 samples

## Information Rate

- Entropy of the signal
- Reduced by a-priori information
- 5-tone signal: 10 elements
  - $f_1$  to  $f_5$  and  $p_1$  to  $p_5$

**CS: Acquire signal as close to IR as possible**

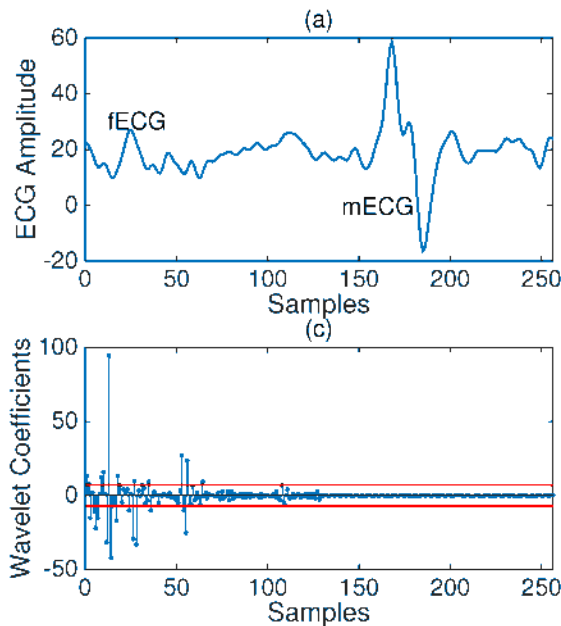


# Sparse signal

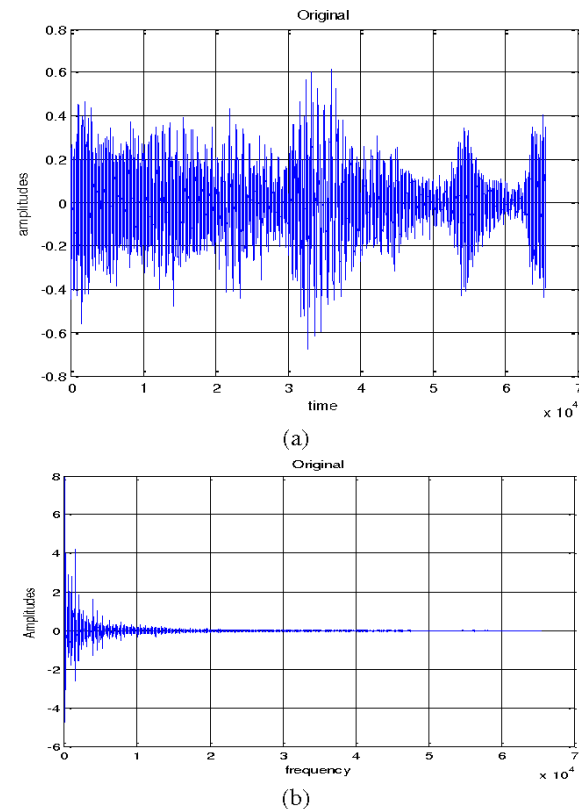
## Definition

A signal is  $k$ -sparse if it can be represented with only  $k$  non-zero element in a specific base

## Example

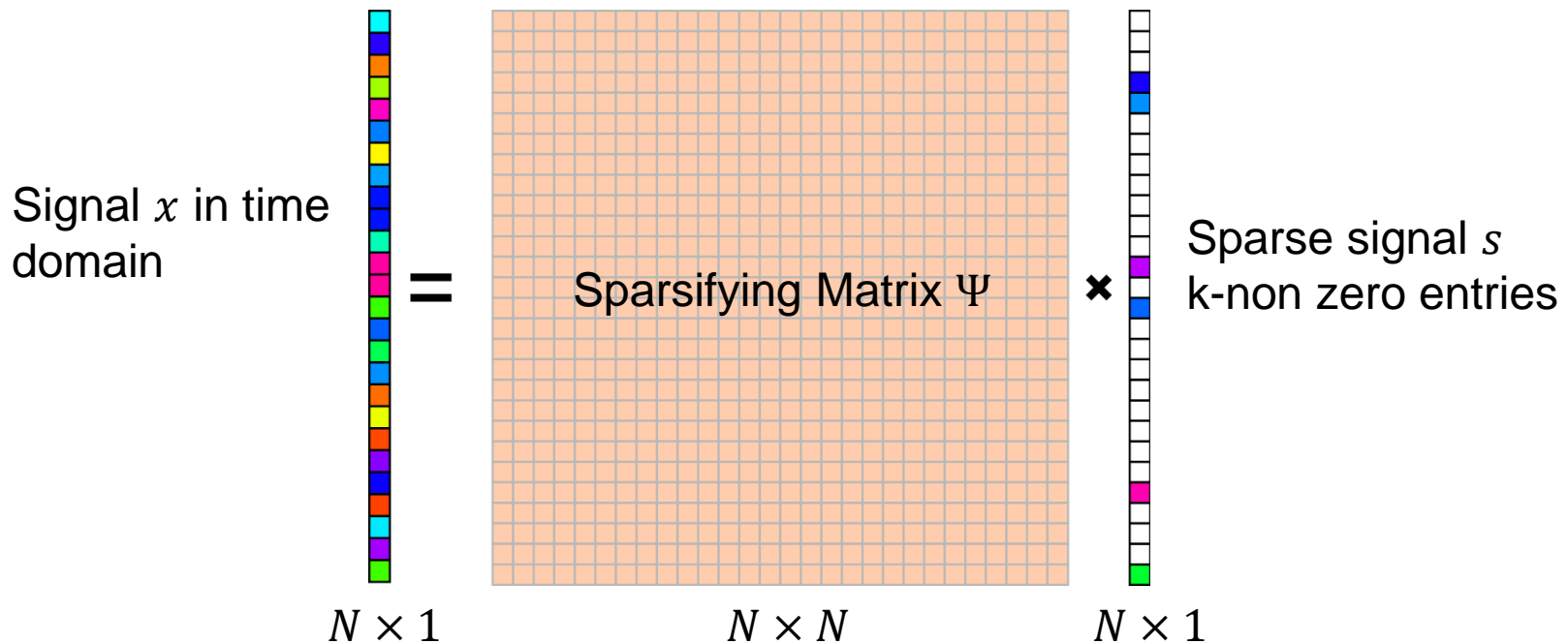


ECG signal and its 4-level Db4 wavelet transform



Audio signal and its Fourier transform

# Acquisition of sparse signal



$$x = \Psi s$$

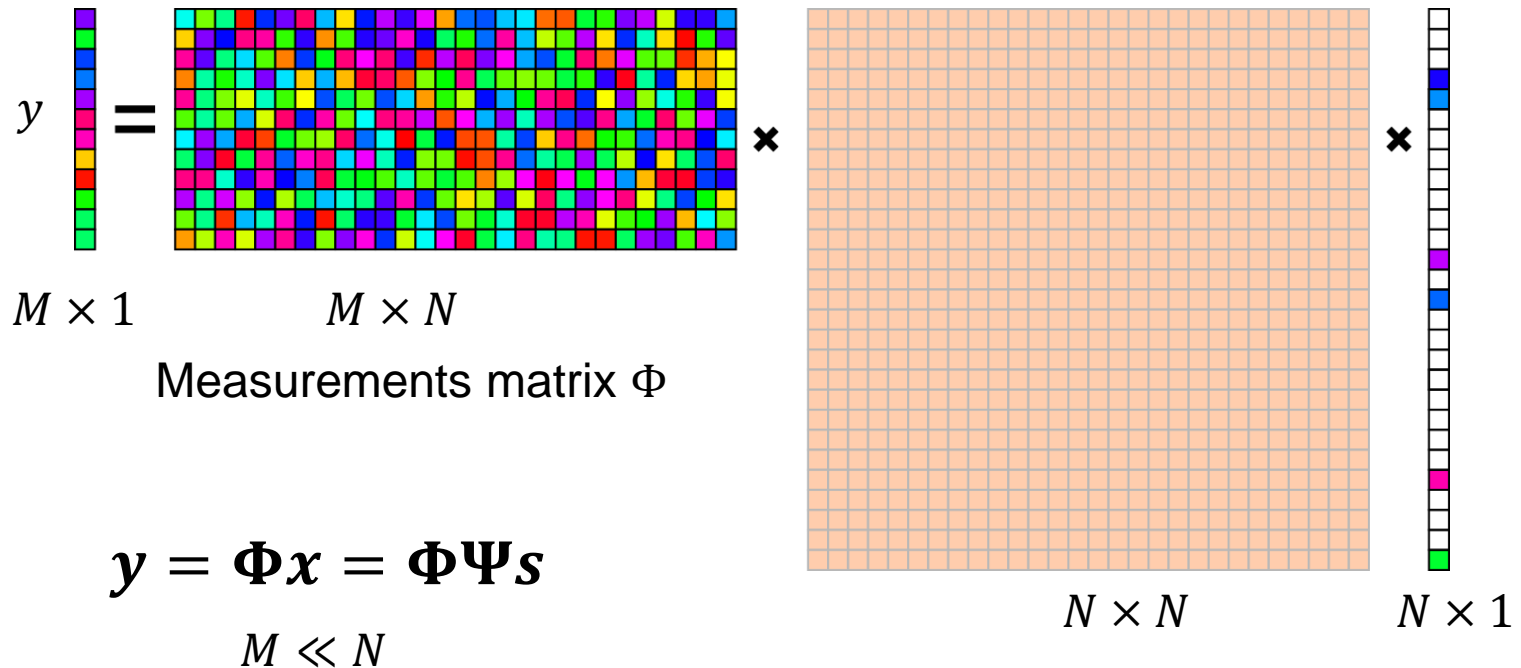
## Typical sparsity basis

- Time:  $\Psi = I_N$
- Fourier domain:  $\Psi = DFT^{-1}$
- Wavelet domain:  $\Psi = DWT^{-1}$

# Compressed sensing

## Principle

- Take only  $M$  samples or linear measurement instead of  $N$



Can we find  $x$  or  $s$  from  $y$  ?

# Signal Recovery

## Principle

- Given  $y = \Phi\Psi s$
- Find  $s$  with maximal sparsity
- $M \ll N$ : Many possible solutions ill-posed inverse problem

## Solution: add constraint

- Use  $l_2$  norm:  $\hat{s} = \arg \min \|s\|_2 \text{ s.t. } y = \Phi\Psi s$ 
  - Wrong: output a non sparse solution
- Use  $l_0$  norm:  $\hat{s} = \arg \min \|s\|_0 \text{ s.t. } y = \Phi\Psi s$ 
  - Exact solution but NP hard problem (require exhaustive search)
- Use  $l_1$  norm:  $\hat{s} = \arg \min \|s\|_1 \text{ s.t. } y = \Phi\Psi s$ 
  - Linear problem and high probability of exact solution if  $M$  big enough [5]
  - Minimum  $M$  depends on measurement matrix and signal sparsity

**True for any measurement matrix  $\Phi$  ?**

[5] E. J. Candes, J. Romberg, and T. Tao. Robust uncertainty principles : exact signal reconstruction from highly incomplete frequency information. *IEEE Transactions on Information Theory*, 52(2) :489–509, February 2006.

# Signal Recovery Condition

## Restricted Isometry Property (RIP)

- Assuming  $s$  is  $k$ -sparse
- $\forall p_k$   $k$ -sparse  $(1 - \delta_k) \|p_k\|_2^2 \leq \|\Phi\Psi p_k\|_2^2 \leq (1 + \delta_k) \|p_k\|_2^2$
- $0 \leq \delta_k \leq 1$  is the isometry constant of  $\Phi\Psi$

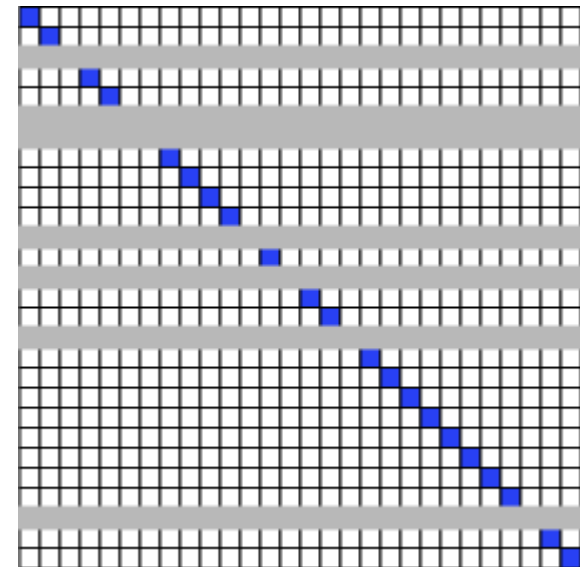
Hard to  
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practice

## Coherence

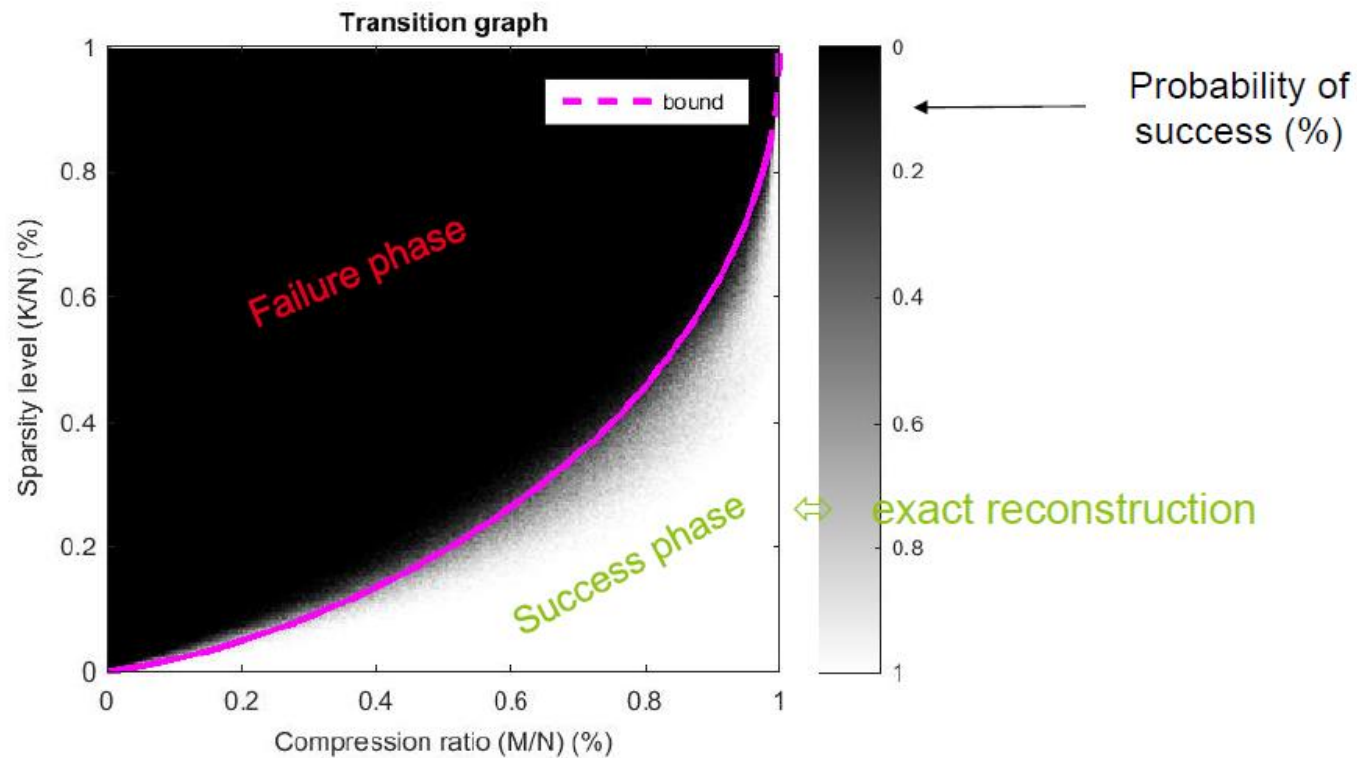
- $\mu(\Phi, \Psi) = \sqrt{N} \max_{1 \leq j, k \leq N} |\langle \phi_j, \psi_k^T \rangle|$
- Ensure that every measurement carries useful amount of information of non-zero element of  $s$ .
- Must be as close as possible to lower bound 1

## Practical measurement matrices

- Random matrices
- +/- 1 Bernoulli matrices
- Random row selection matrices  
(Only for non time sparse signal)



# Performance evaluation



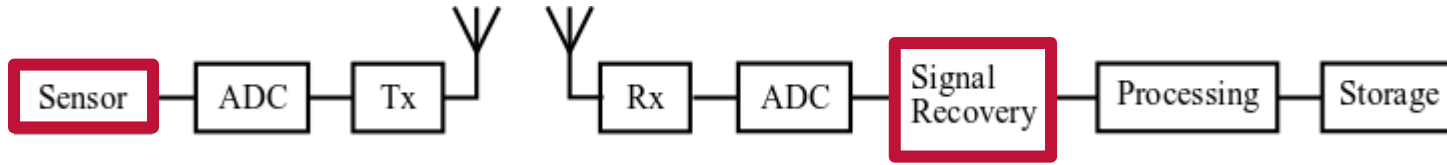
## Reconstruction SNR (RSNR)

$$RSNR = \frac{\|s\|_2^2}{E(\|\hat{s} - s\|_2^2)}$$

# Where to apply CS in processing chain?

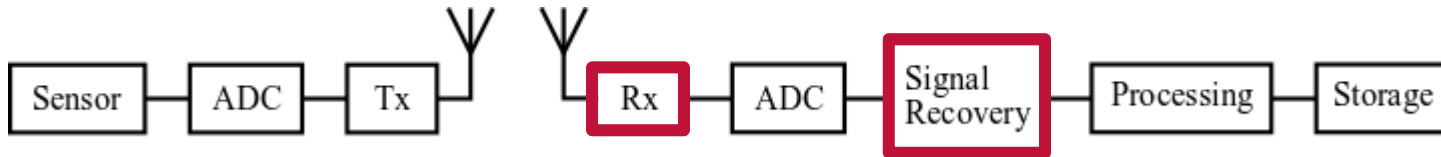
## Sensor level

- Relax RF data throughput



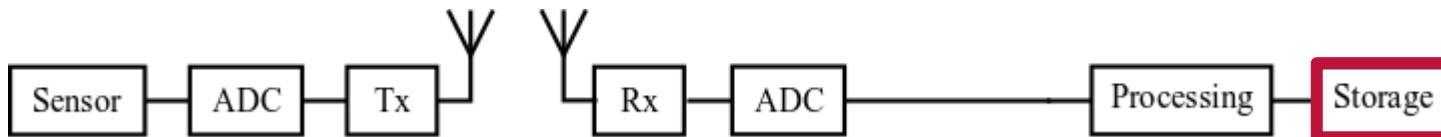
## Analog Receiver level

- Relax RF signal acquisition



## Storage level (compression)

- Relax memory requirements



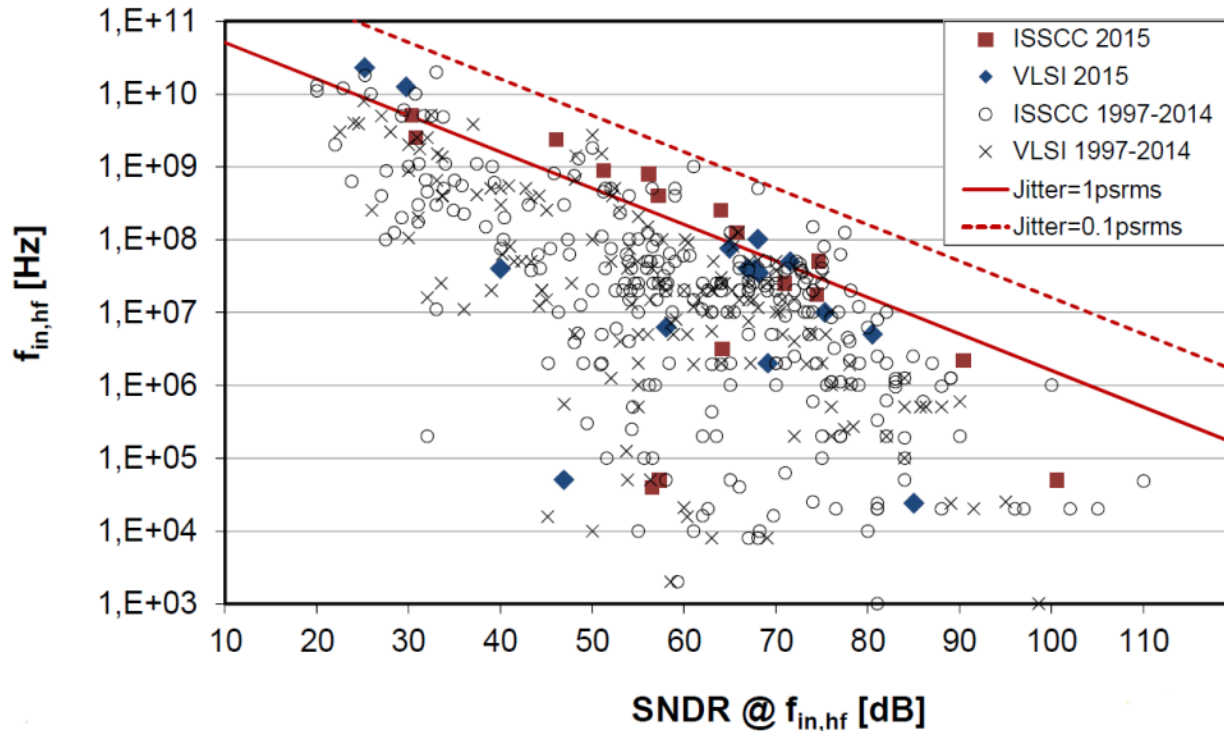


# Architecture for analog to information converters

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# A2I converter advantages

Traditional ADC are limited in the maximum achievable SNDR for a given bandwidth



(Mурmann 2015)

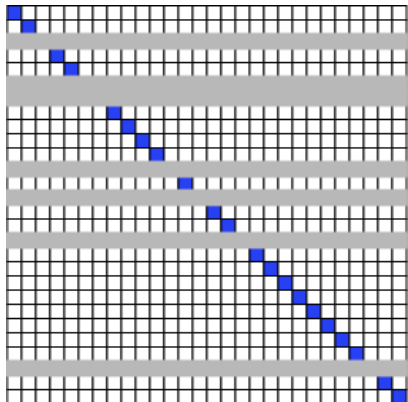
## Objectives

- Improve effective bandwidth by using sparsity of input signal
- Improve resolution (SNDR) by sub-Nyquist sampling
- Decrease the amount of sample acquired

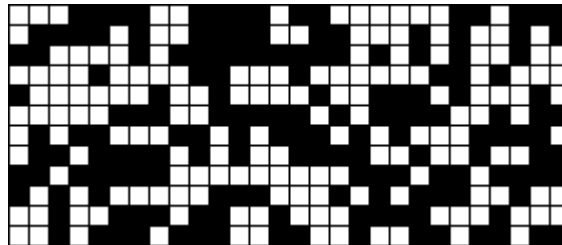
# Let's think a bit

- Form three team within the class
- Each team think of an architecture to implement a A2I converter

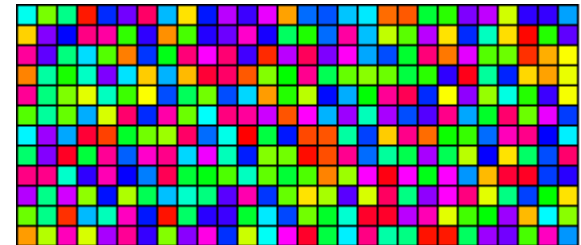
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Team 2



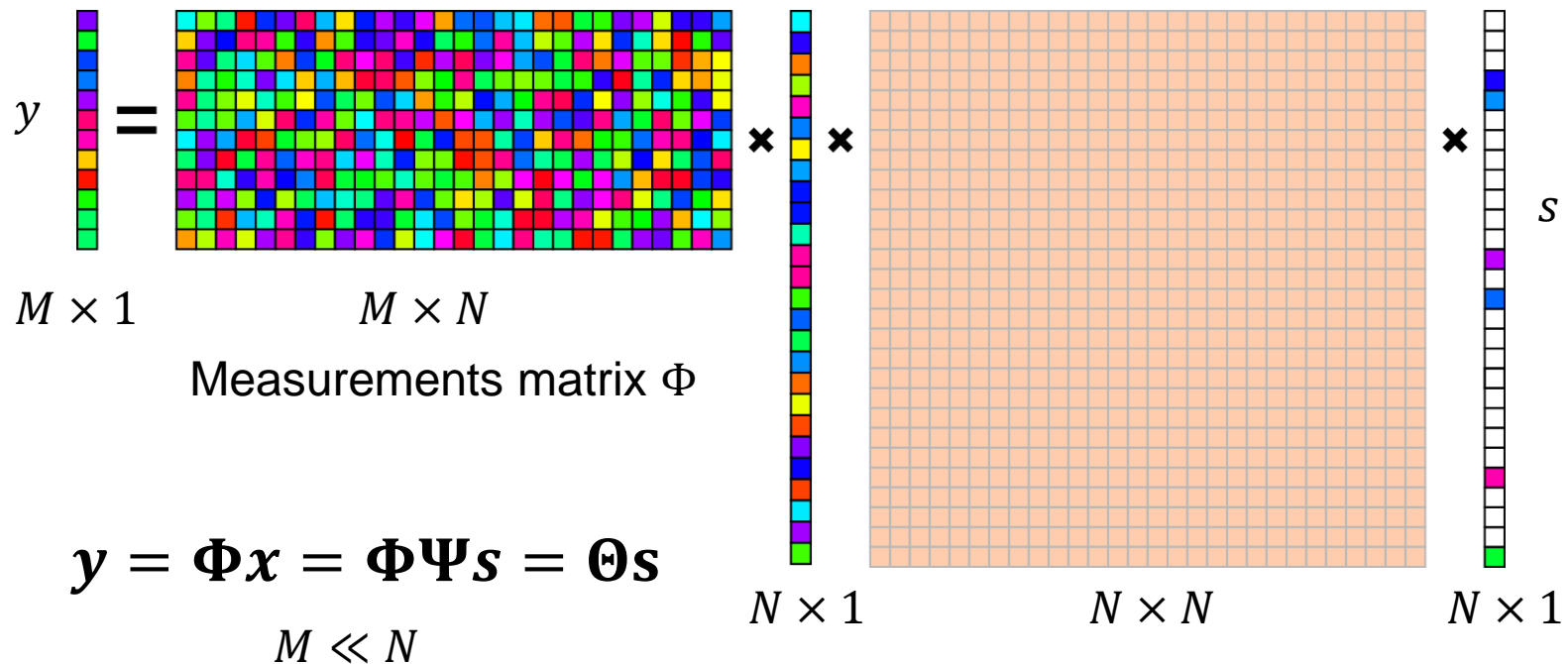
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# Signal reconstruction algorithms

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# Problem statement



Can we find  $s$  from  $y$  ?

# Convex optimization solution

## Basis Pursuit (BP)

- Solve:  $\hat{s} = \arg \min \|s\|_1 \text{ s.t. } : y = \Theta s$
- Will find the sparsiest solution
- Might not converge if noisy measurements

## Least absolute shrinkage and selection operator (LASSO)

- Solve:  $\hat{s} = \arg \min \|s\|_1 \text{ s.t. } : \|y - \Theta s\|_2 < \epsilon$
- The solution is more robust to noise
- Noise controlled with  $\epsilon$

## Basis Pursuit De-Noising (BPDN)

- Solve:  $\hat{s} = \arg \min \|y - \Theta s\|_2^2 + \lambda \|s\|_1$
- Make a compromise between error and sparsity
- Controlled by  $\lambda$

### *Solving method*

- Primal-dual interior point
- Adaptive gradient

**Complexity in  $O(N^3)$ !**

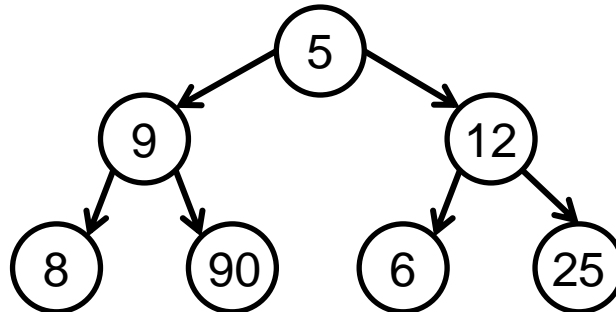
# Greedy algorithm

## Principle

- Find a solution with iterative process
- At each iteration choose the best solution according to certain criteria
- Pro: less complex
- Con: does not guarantee a global optimum, only a local one

## Example

- Find the largest sum while descending a tree
- Greedy criteria: choose the path providing the highest result



Greedy solution: 42  
Optimal solution: 104



# Greedy algorithm

## Orthogonal Matching Pursuit

- Find a  $K$ -sparse solution by selecting non-zero element one by one

### Input

- $M \times N$  measurement matrix  $\Theta$
- Measurement vector  $y$
- $K$

### Initialization

- Residual:  $r_0 = y$
- Index set:  $\Omega_t = \emptyset$
- Matrix of chosen atom:  $\Theta_0 = []$
- Vector of signal amplitude:  $a_0 = []$
- Increment index:  $t = 1$

### Procedure

1. Find:  $\omega_t = \arg \max_{1 \leq j \leq N} |\langle r_{t-1}, \theta_j \rangle|$

Find column with maximum correlation with residue

2. Update:  $\Omega_t = \Omega_{t-1} \cup \omega_t$ ;  $\Theta_t = [\Theta_0 \ \theta_{\omega_t}]$

3. Solve:  $a_t = \arg \min_x \|\Theta_t x - y\|_2$

Least square problem

4. Update residual:  $r_t = y - \Theta_t a_t$

5. Do  $t = t + 1$

6. Repeat until  $t = K$

# Greedy algorithm

## Compressive Sampling Matching Pursuit (CoSaMP)

- Similar to OMP
- Select the  $2K$  maximum correlation columns
- Keeps only the  $K$  highest value of  $a_t$

## Normalized Iterative Hard Thresholding (NIHT)

- Do not try select columns to minimize residual
- Select solution:
  - Minimizing the residual
  - Maximizing the difference between the current solution and previous one

Method	OMP	CoSaMP	NIHT
Complexity	$O(KMN)$	$O(\log(K)MN)$	$O(\log(K)MN)$

# Algorithms comparison for biosensors [9]

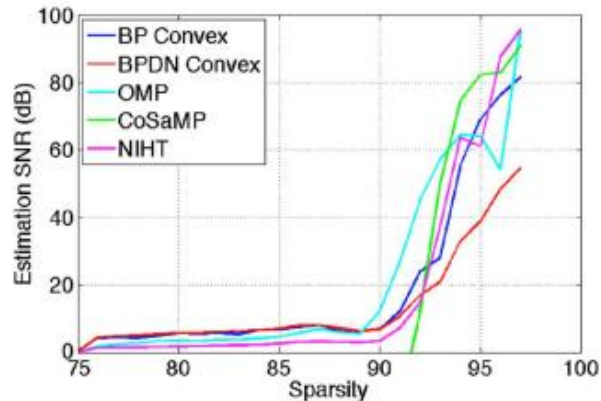


Fig. 15. ECG signal reconstruction accuracy.

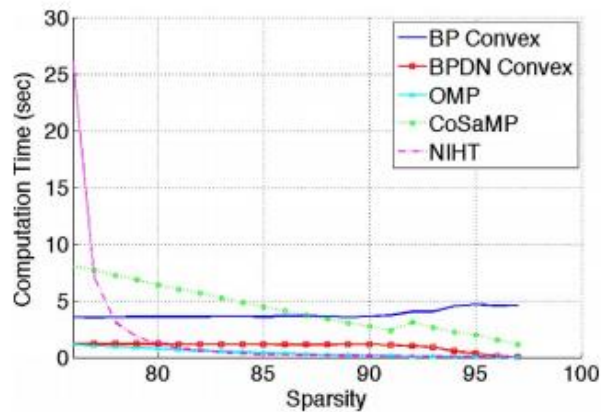


Fig. 16. ECG signal reconstruction computation time.

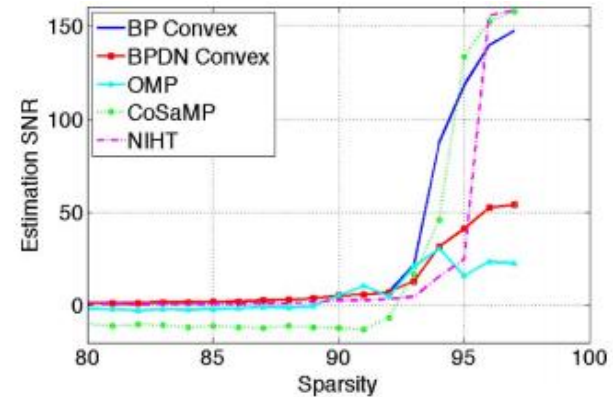


Fig. 17. EMG time-domain signal reconstruction accuracy.

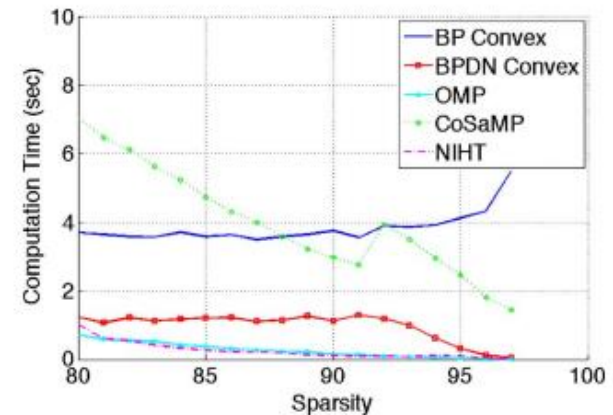


Fig. 18. EMG time-domain signal reconstruction computation time.

**There is no general best choice**

[9] A. M. R. Dixon, E. G. Allstot, D. Gangopadhyay and D. J. Allstot, "Compressed Sensing System Considerations for ECG and EMG Wireless Biosensors," in *IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Circuits and Systems*, vol. 6, no. 2, pp. 156-166, April 2012.

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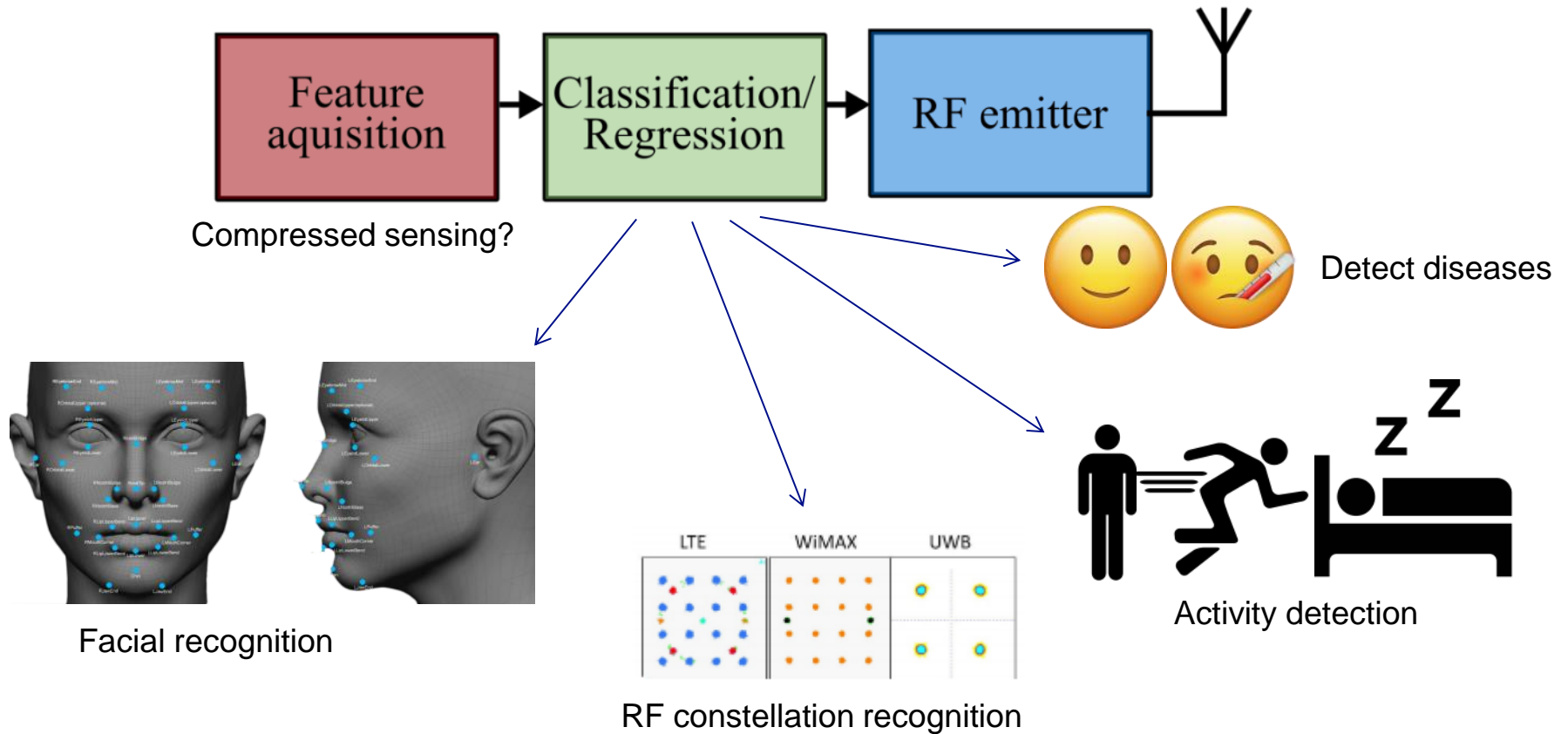
**CS take advantages of the signal sparsity to overcome sensing problems**

**But there are many remaining challenges**

- Acquisition and reconstruction must be robust to acquisition noise
- How to quantize the measurement?
- How to find the ideal basis giving a sparse signal
- Use of random matrices. Could we find more practical matrices?
- Development of efficient embeddable recovery algorithms
- Can we exploit the signal in its compressed form?

# Towards Analog to feature/classification converter

- Extract feature directly from the analog signal
- Use classifier with the extracted features



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