# Less is More: Compressed Sensing 

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Systems to handle big data might be this generation's moon landing
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3 MB of internet data transfer $=$ boiling one cup of water

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Option 2 : Design more efficient compression methods


Enter the world of : Compressed sensing

## Compressed sensing: motivation

## Applications are numerous:

* Data storage
* Reliable data transmission
* Collaborative filtering (e.g. Netflix predictions)
* Radar
* DNA array sequencing
* Neuroscience
* Predicting earthquakes
* Restoring damaged artwork
* Crime prediction

Image compression

* Medical imaging
* Many, many, many more...


## Representations of High Dimensional Data

Key Idea :

Modern data is too large-scale. Big datarer Big understanding
$\longrightarrow$ Mathematical tools like Compressed Sensing provide rigorous means for representing large data in efficient ways.
$\longrightarrow$ This allows for efficient data acquisition, storage, and analysis.

## Representations of High Dimensional Data

Key Topics :

* Mathematics of sparsity and compressed sensing
* Sampling designs
* Reconstruction methods
* Quantization issues
* Inferential tasks
* Topic modeling
* Clustering and classification methods

Numerical optimization

## Applications

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* Hyperspectral camera (InView Corp.)



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## Results of Compressed Sensing



Original
4096 Pixels
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65536 Pixels
800 Measurements (20\%) (40\%)

6600 Measurements
(10\%)

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(a)

(c)

(b)

(d)

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## Original $D$



Corruptions

Repaired $A$

$480 \times 620$ pixels

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How to quantify this?

## A believable example



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In a computer, images are represented by an array of numbers ( $0=$ black, $2555=$ white). Sparse images are those which are mostly zeros (black).

## A little bit harder...



This image is NOT sparse...uh oh.

We call an image "compressible" if it is well approximated by a sparse image.

## Ok, this one is really hard...



This image is NOT EVEN CLOSE to sparse... uh oh.

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* Mathematically, a basis or redundant frame B such that:

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We can thus assume the images of interest are sparse

* How do we actually compress them and then how do we reconstruct them from that compression?
* Simple ad-hoc methods not feasible for practice. Need sophisticated robust machinery, motivated by applications.


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## Greedy methods

(Jeff Blanchard)

1. OMP
2. CoSaMP
3. IHT
4. ...

## Extensions of CS

## Some non-trivial branches

1. Non-orthonormal bases
2. Quantization
3. Matrix completion (Mark Davenport)

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$\|\nabla[f]\|_{1}:=\|f\|_{\mathrm{TV}}$ is the total variation (TV).

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\lambda:=\frac{m}{s \ln (n / s)}
$$

and $h$ is rapidly decreasing to zero when $\lambda$ increases.

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## Adaptivity



- Remedy: adaptive choice of dithers $\tau_{1}, \ldots, \tau_{m}$ in

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## Thank you!

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