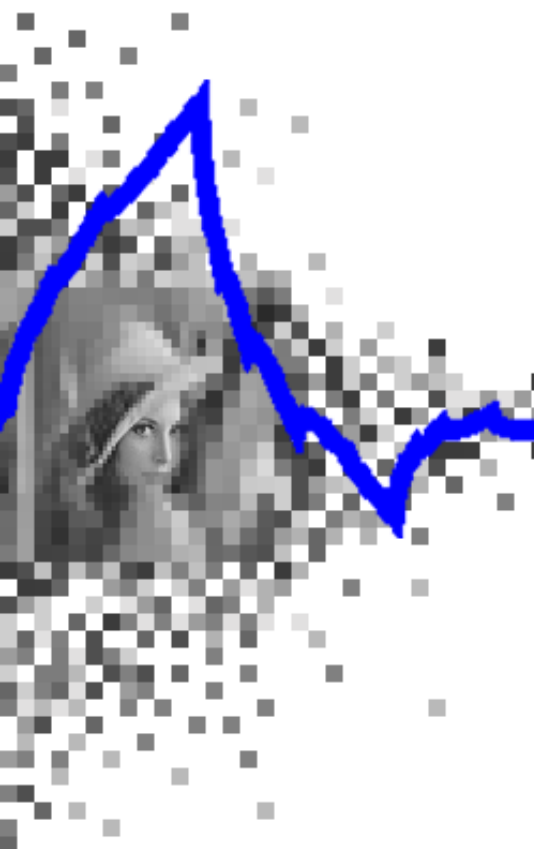




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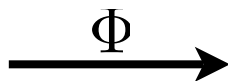
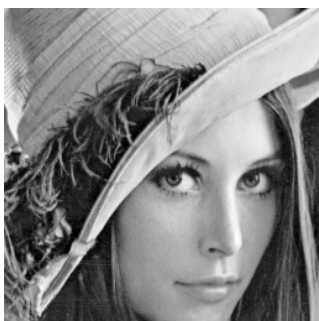
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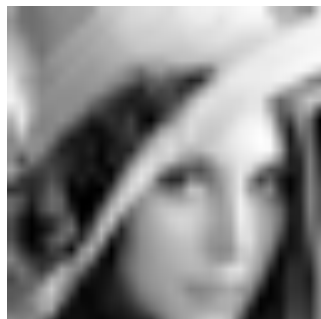
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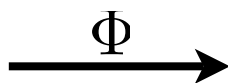
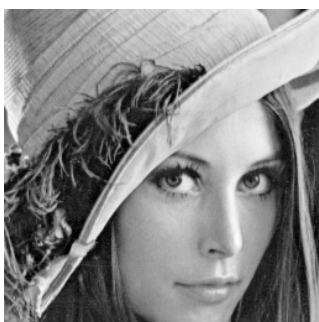
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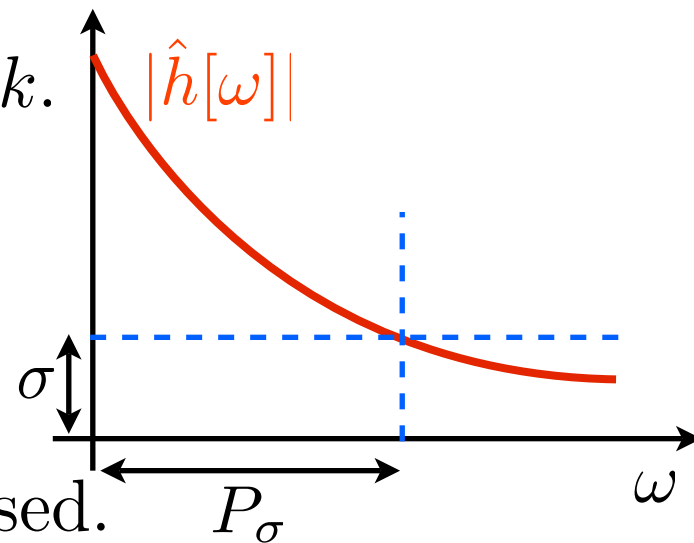
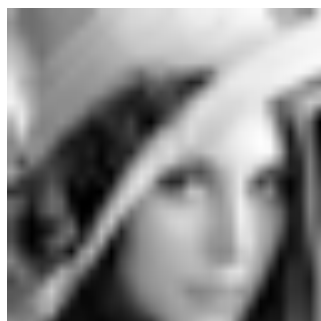
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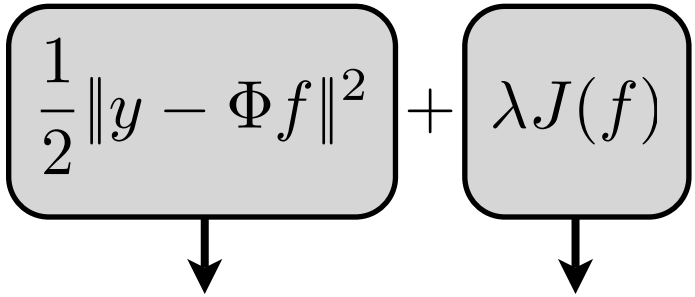
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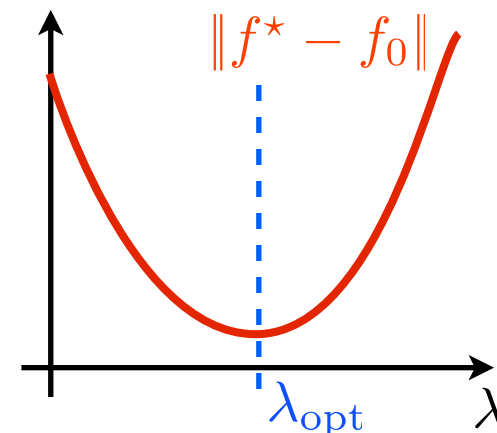


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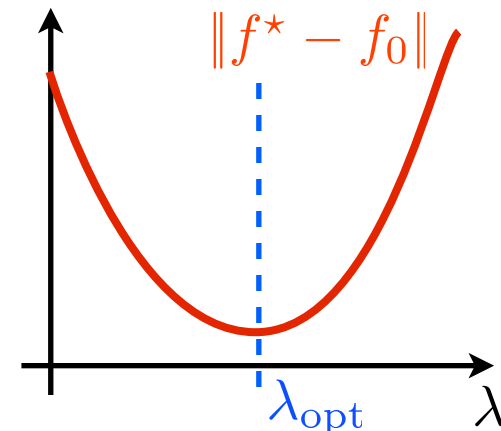
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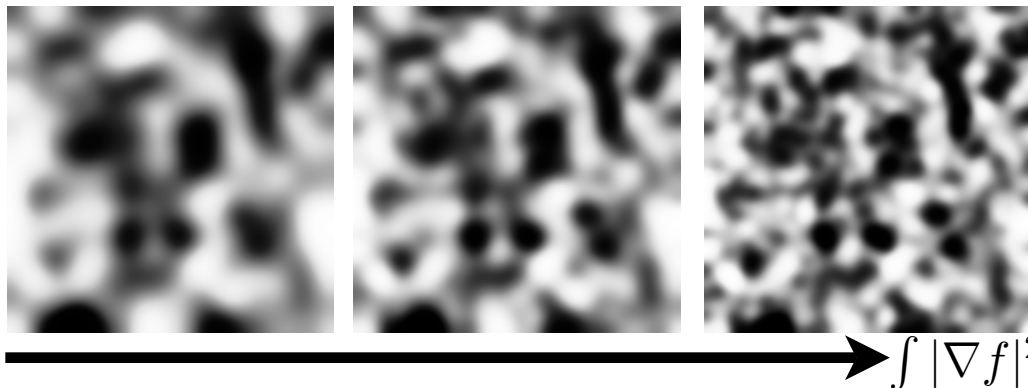


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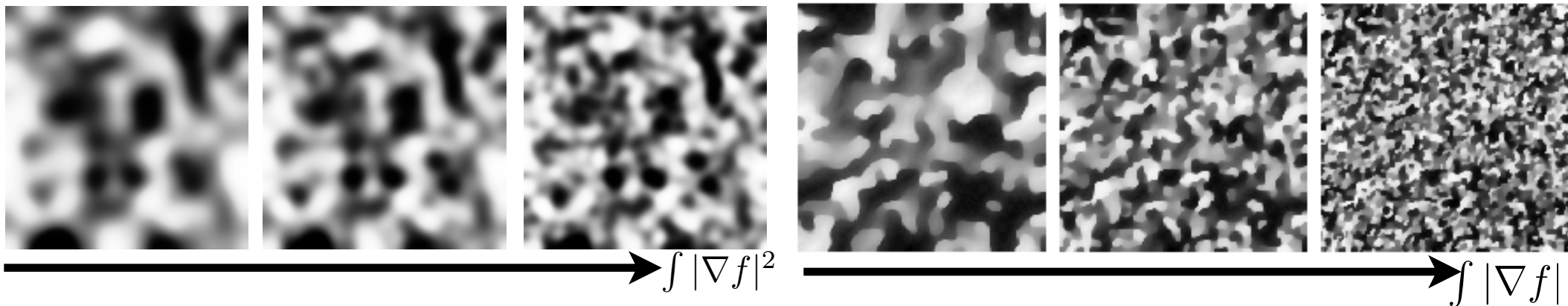
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Total variation pseudo-norm: $J(f) = \|f\|_{\text{TV}} = \int \|\nabla_x f\| dx$

→ Extension to non-smooth functions $f \in \text{BV}([0, 1]^2)$

Co-area formula: $\|f\|_{\text{TV}} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \text{length}(\mathcal{C}_t) dt$

Level set $\mathcal{C}_t = \{x \mid f(x) = t\}$



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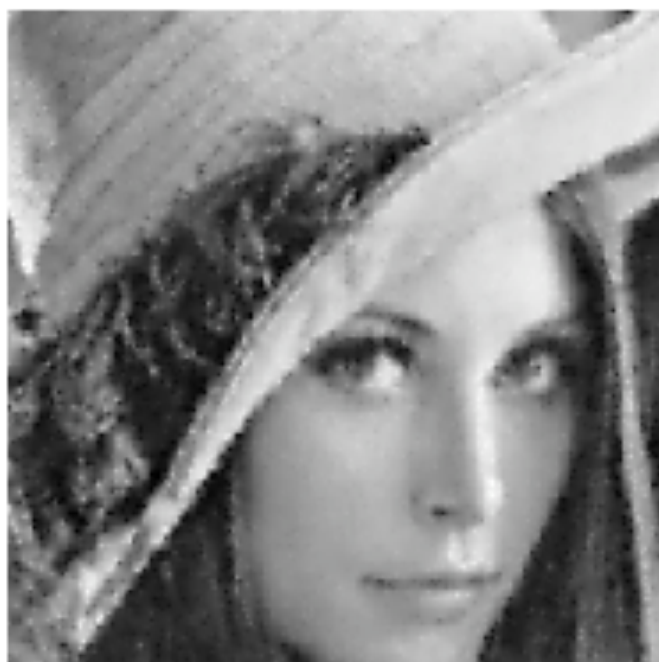
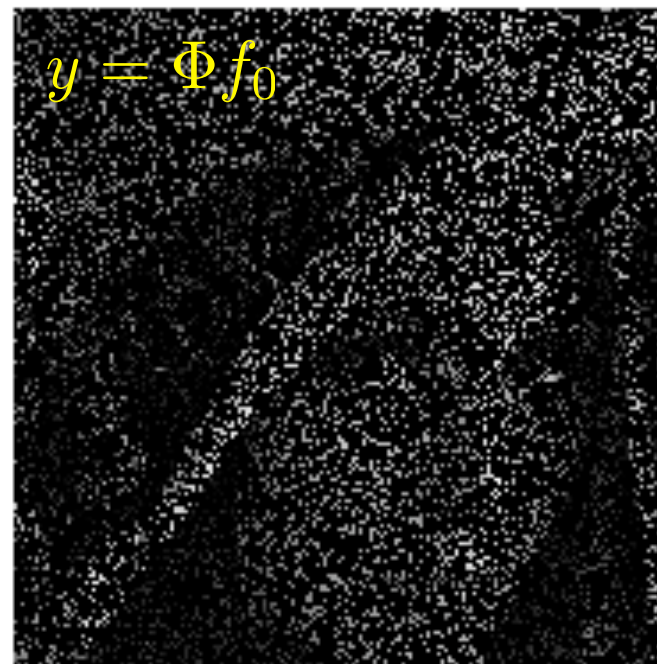
Numerical computation: gradient descent:

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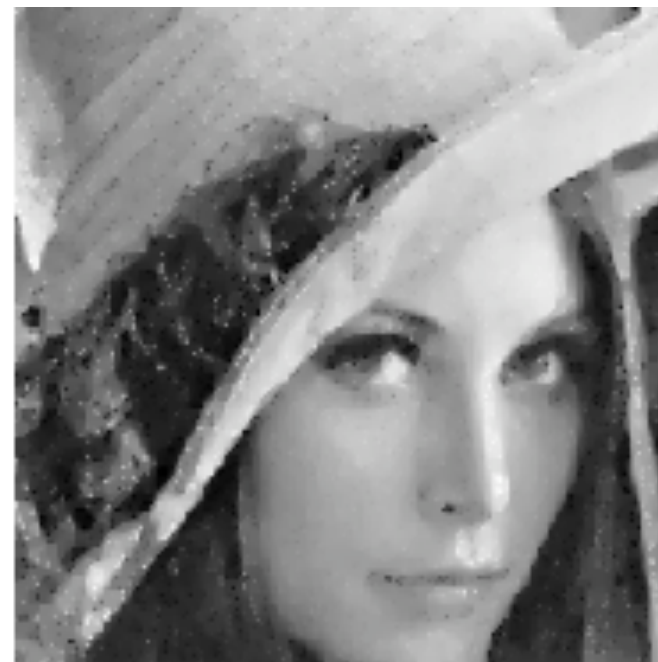
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Inpainting Results



Sobolev, SNR=19.8dB



TV, SNR=19dB



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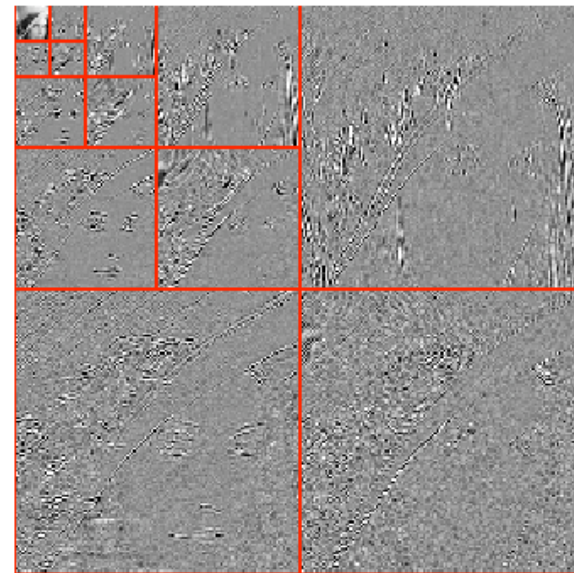
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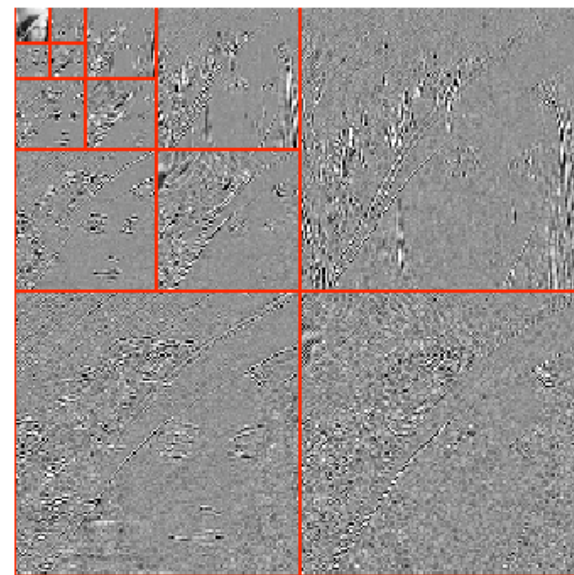
$$f_M = \sum_{|\langle f, \psi_m \rangle| > T} \langle f, \psi_m \rangle \psi_m.$$

$$M = J_0(f_M) = \# \{m \mid |\langle f, \psi_m \rangle| > T\}$$

Approximate sparsity: $\|f - f_M\|$ is small.



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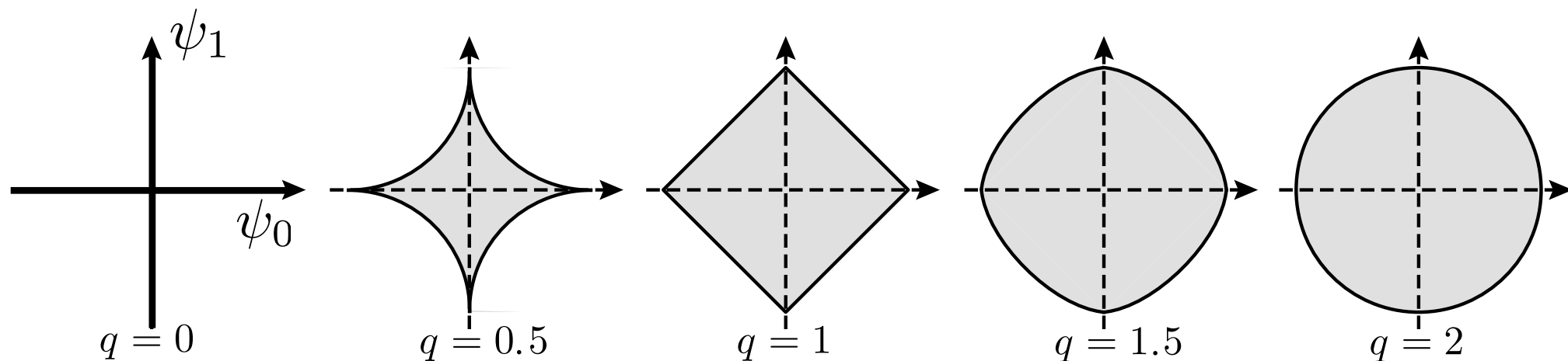
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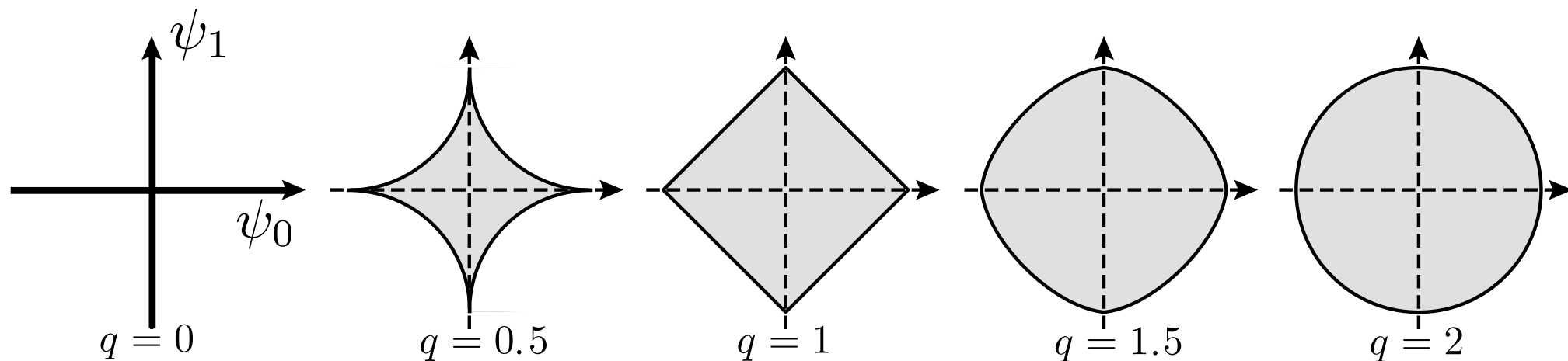


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ℓ^1 norm: ℓ^q norm the “closest” to the ℓ^0 ideal sparsity.

Sparse ℓ^1 prior: $\{\psi_m\}_m$ orthogonal basis of $\mathbb{R}^N$

$$J_1(f) = \|(\langle f, \psi_m \rangle)_m\|_1 = \sum_m |\langle f, \psi_m \rangle|$$

Sparse Regularization Denoising

Noisy image: $f = f_0 + w$, $w[n] \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma)$ white noise.

Regularization denoising: $f_{\lambda}^{\star} = \operatorname{argmin}_{g \in \mathbb{R}^N} \frac{1}{2} \|f - g\|^2 + \lambda J(g)$

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Sparse Regularization and Thresholding

$$f_{\lambda,q}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{g \in \mathbb{R}^N} \frac{1}{2} \|f - g\|^2 + \lambda \sum_m |\langle g, \psi_m \rangle|^q \quad x^0 = \delta(x)$$

Orthogonal basis $\{\psi_m\}$.

Theorem: $f_{\lambda,q} = \sum_m S_T^q(\langle f, \psi_m \rangle) \psi_m$

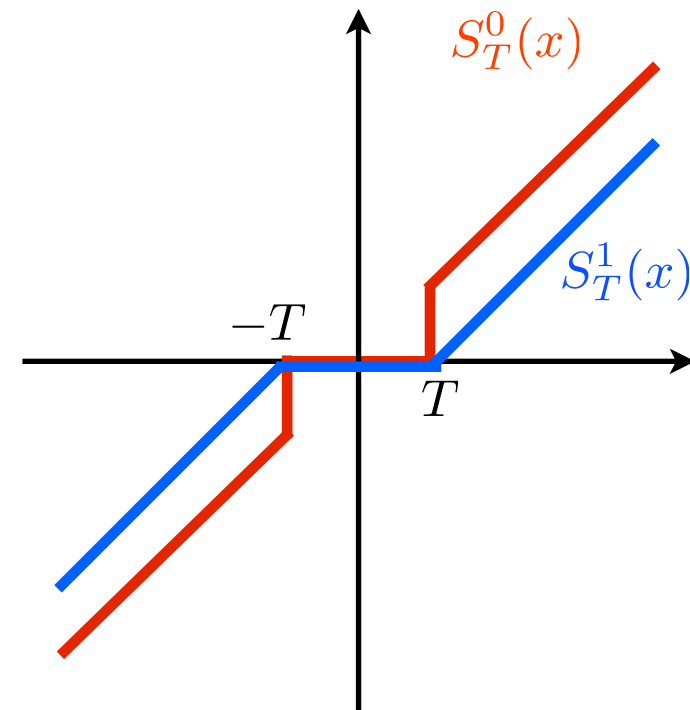
where $\begin{cases} T = \sqrt{2\lambda} & \text{for } q = 0, \\ T = \lambda & \text{for } q = 1. \end{cases}$

In practice: $T \approx 3\sigma$.

Proof: Coefficients $a[m] = \langle f, \psi_m \rangle$,

$$a_{\lambda,q}^*[m] = \langle f_{\lambda,q}^*, \psi_m \rangle$$

$$a_{\lambda,q}^{\star} = \operatorname{argmin}_{b \in \mathbb{R}^N} \sum_m \frac{1}{2} |a[m] - b[m]|^2 + \lambda |b[m]|^q$$





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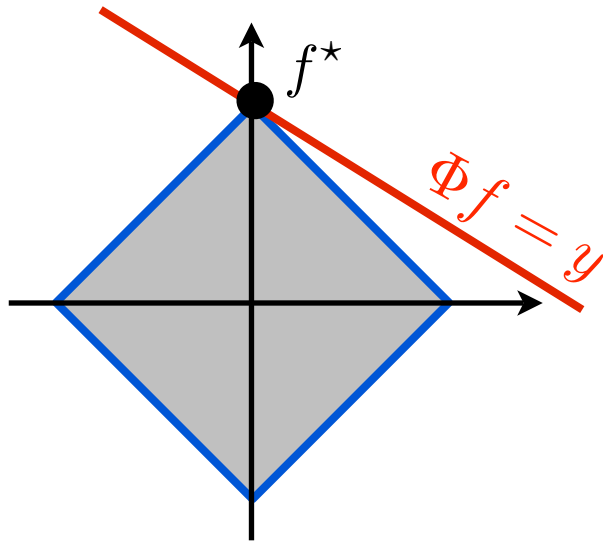
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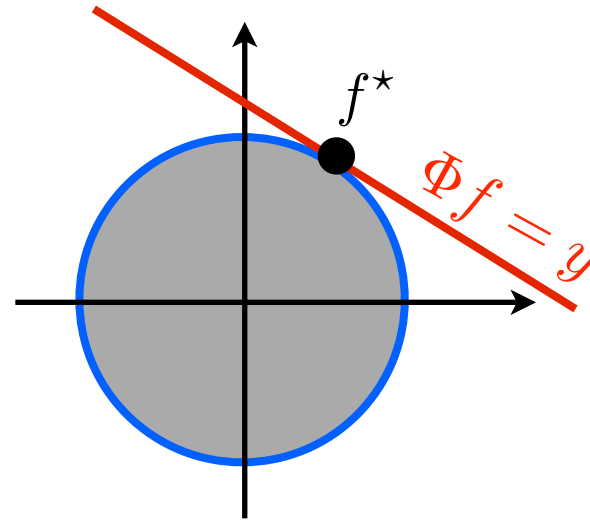
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Convex linear program.

- Interior points, cf. [Chen, Donoho, Saunders] “basis pursuit”.
- Douglas-Rachford splitting, see [Combettes, Pesquet].



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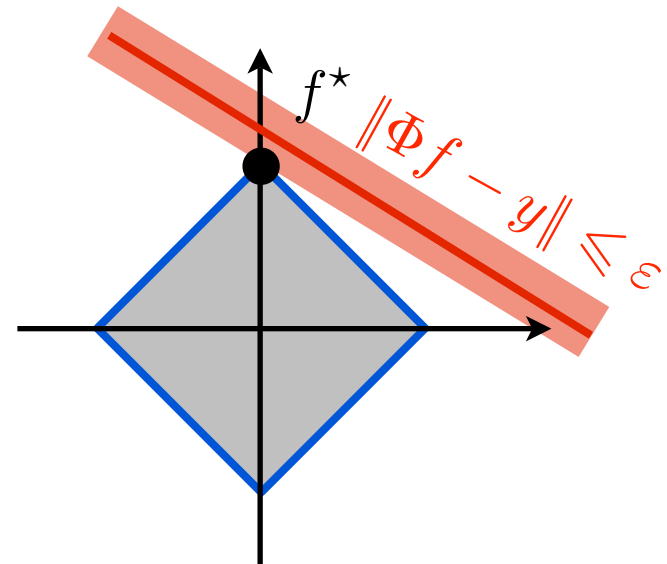
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Convex program, can be solved with Lagrangian relaxation.

$$f^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{f \in \mathbb{R}^N} \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{2} \|\Phi f - y\|^2 \right)}_{\text{Data fitting}} + \underbrace{\lambda \sum_m |\langle f, \psi_m \rangle|}_{\text{Sparsity}}.$$

- Iterative thresholding, see [Daubechies et al], [Pesquet et al], etc.
- Nesterov multi-steps schemes.



Surrogate Functionals

Sparse regularization: $f^* = \operatorname{argmin} E(f)$.

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$$E(f) = \frac{1}{2} \|\Phi f - y\|^2 + \lambda \sum_m^f |\langle f, \psi_m \rangle|.$$

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Theorem: $f \mapsto E(f, f^{(k)})$ is strictly convex and

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{f \in \mathbb{R}^N} E(f, f^{(k)}) = \sum_m S_{\lambda\tau}^1(\langle \tilde{f}^{(k)}, \psi_m \rangle) \psi_m$$

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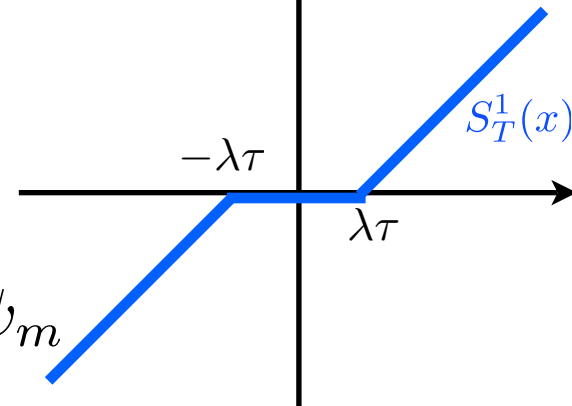
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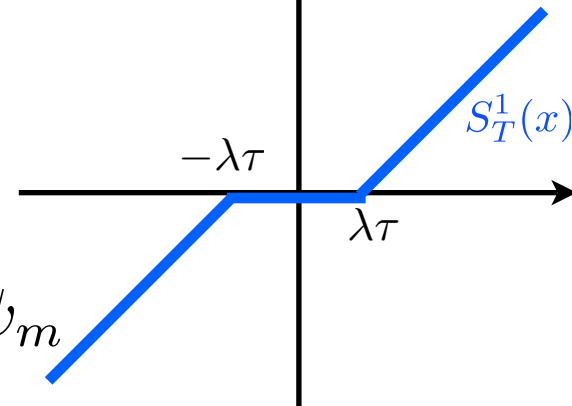
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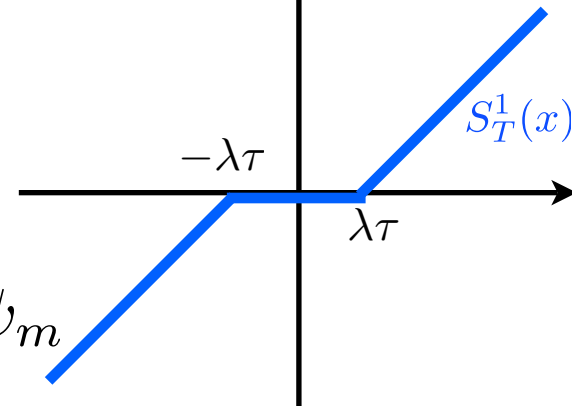
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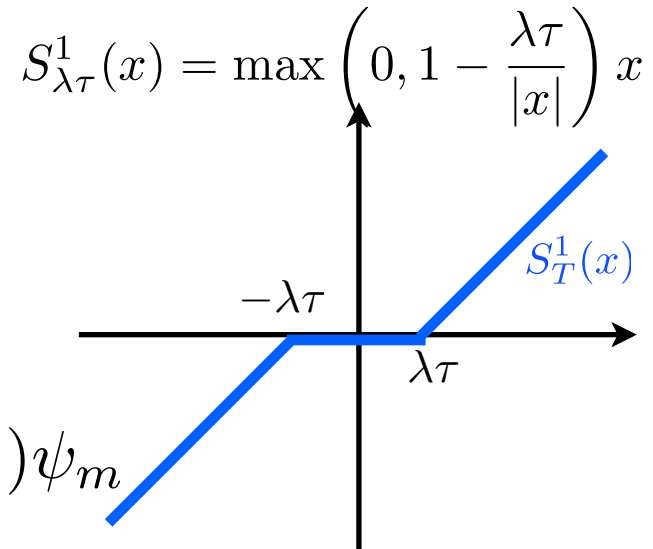


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Noiseless case $\sigma = 0$: use a decaying value of $\lambda = \lambda_{\max}/k$.

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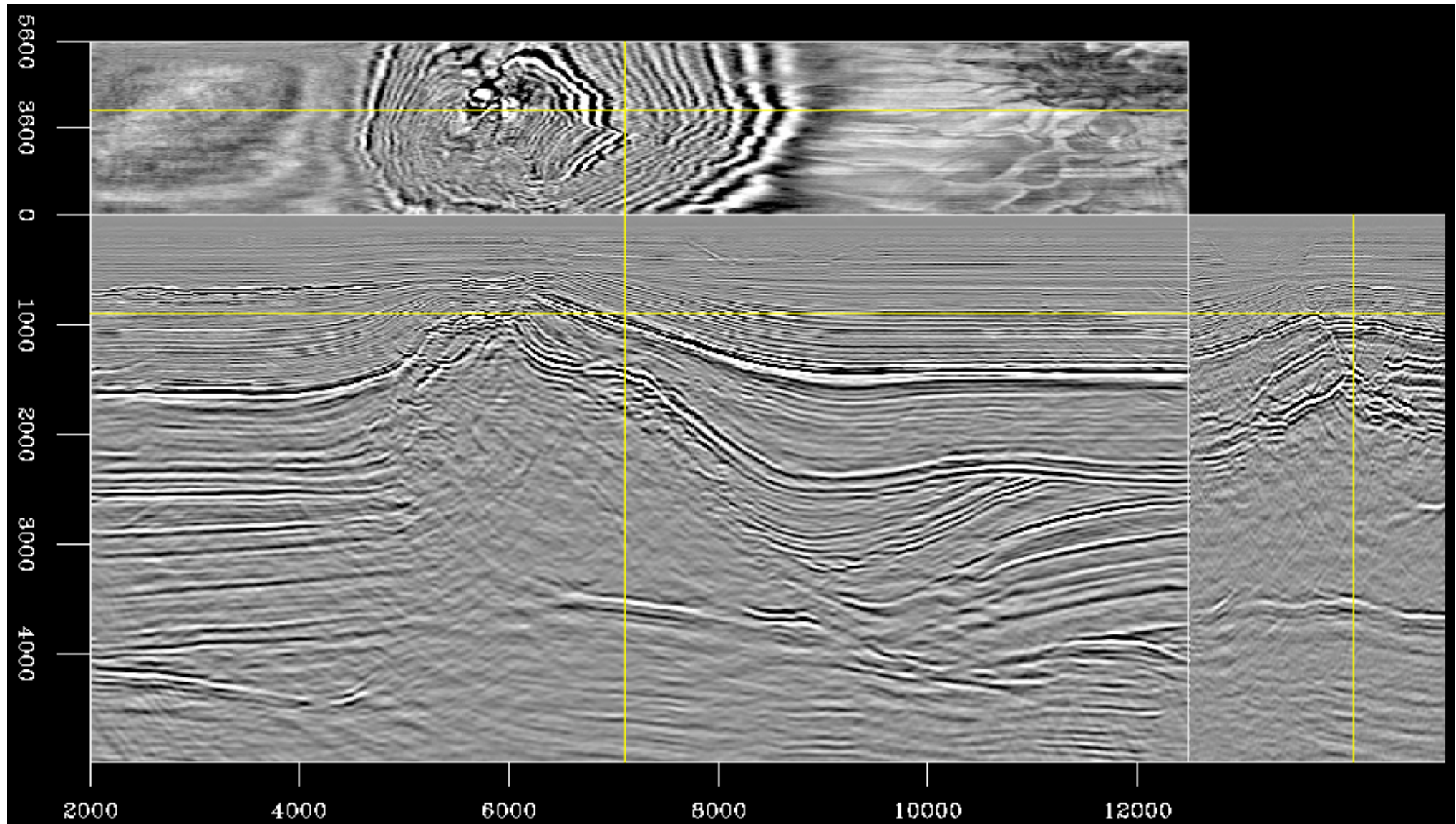
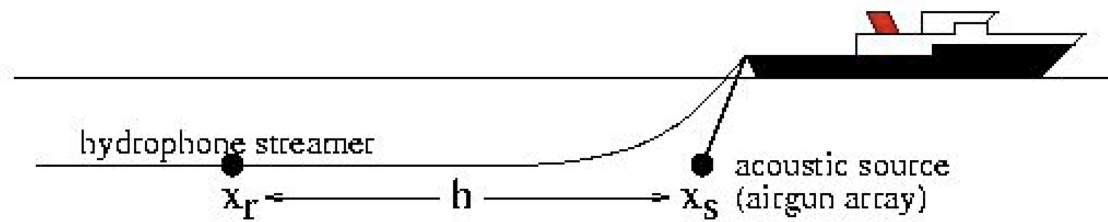
Mapping $\lambda \leftrightarrow \varepsilon$ depends on Φ and y .

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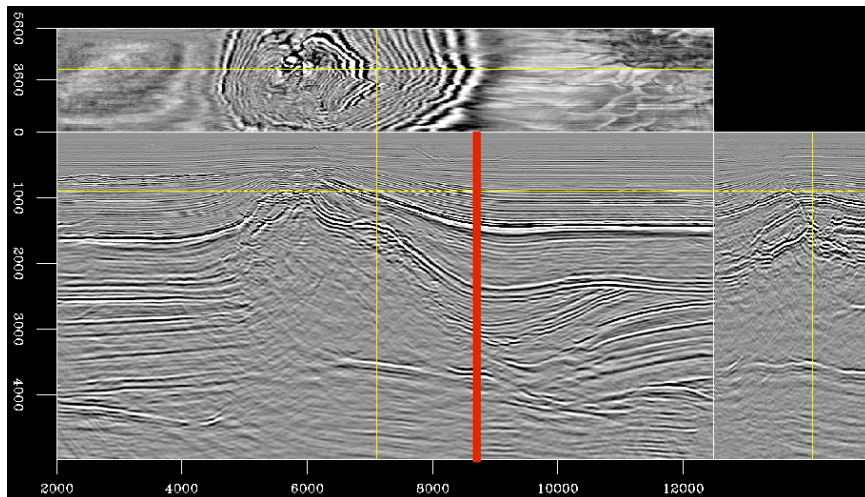
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Seismic Imaging



1D Idealization

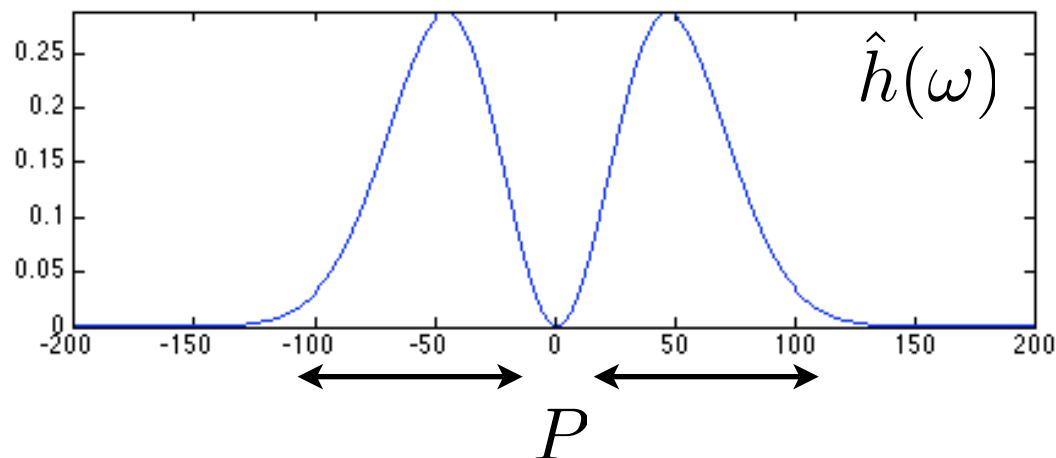
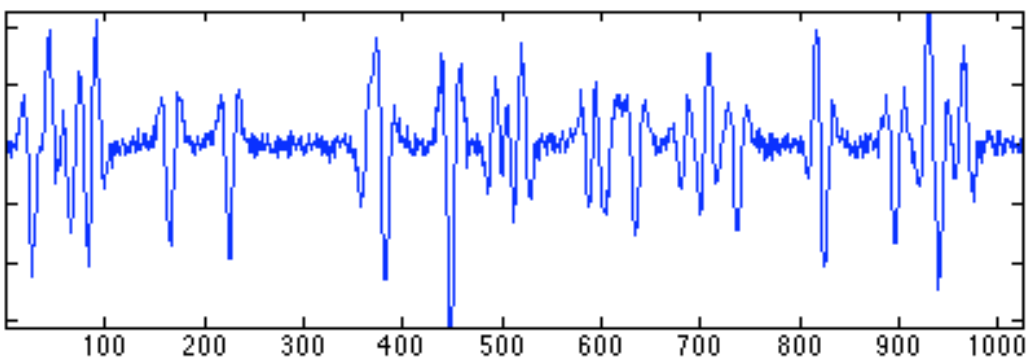
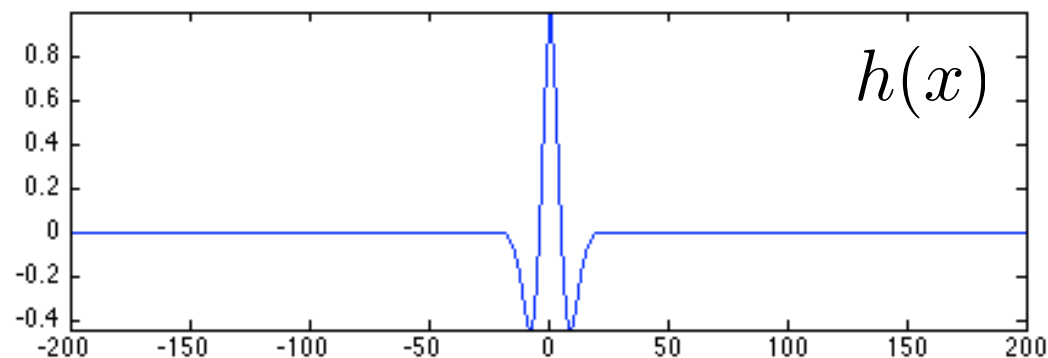
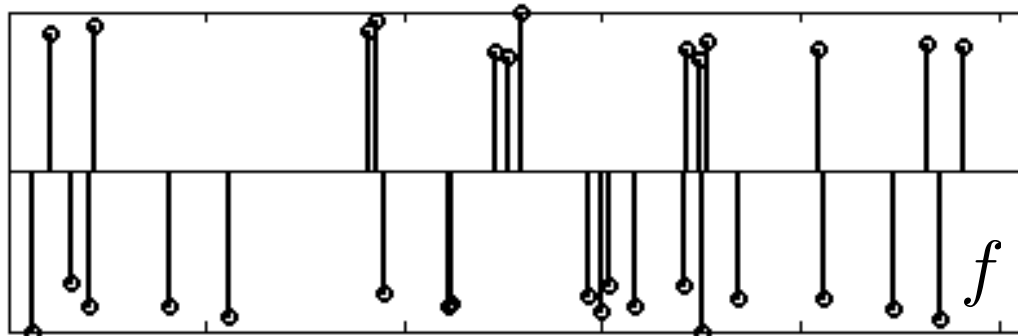


Initial condition: “wavelet”

= band pass filter h

1D propagation $\approx$ convolution

$$\Phi f = h \star f$$



$$y = f_0 \star h + w$$

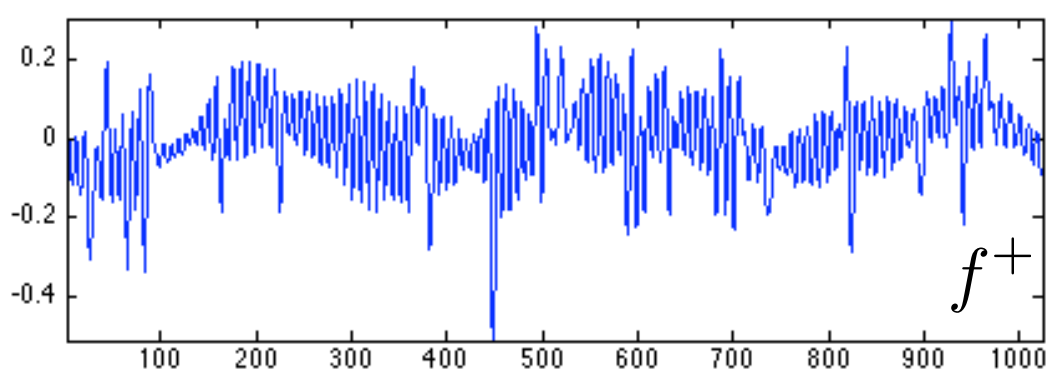
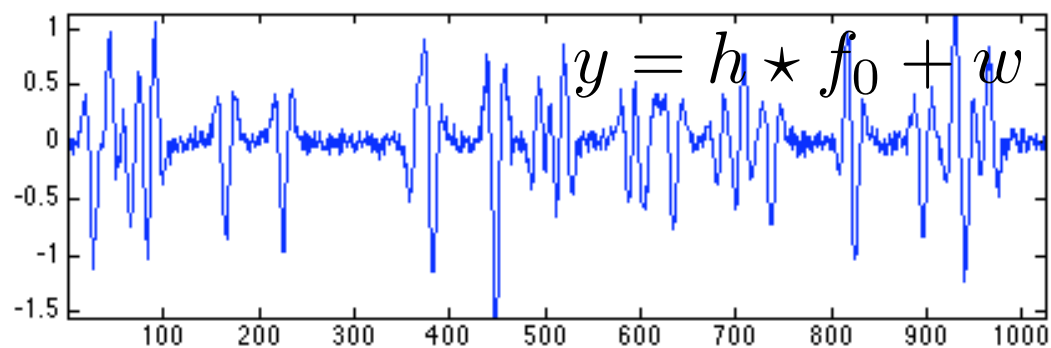
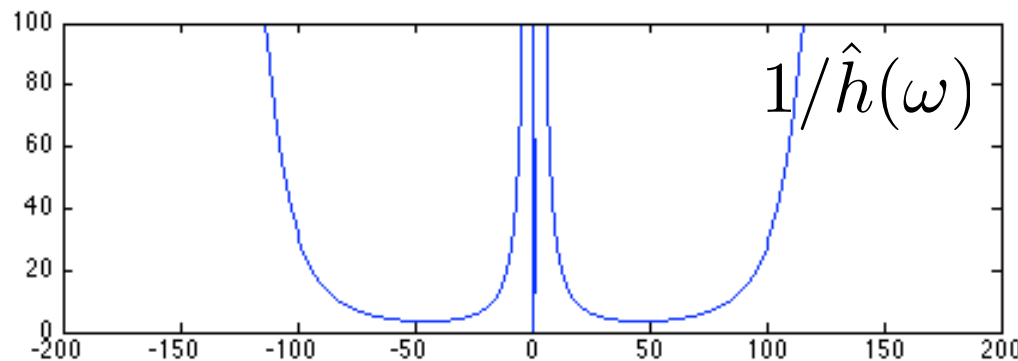
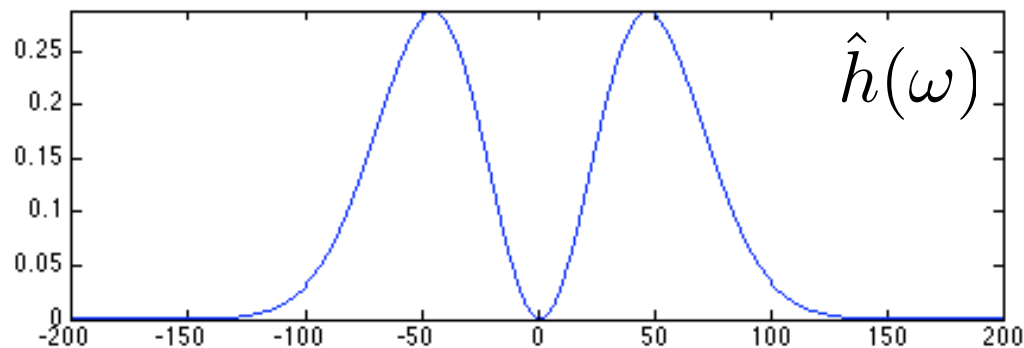
Pseudo Inverse

Pseudo-inverse: $f^+ = \underset{\Phi f = y}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|f\| = \Phi^*(\Phi\Phi^*)^{-1}y$

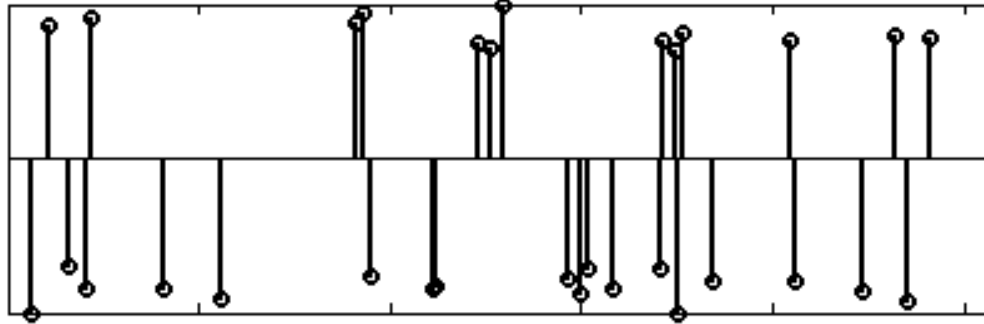
$$\hat{f}^+(\omega) = \frac{\hat{y}(\omega)}{\hat{h}(\omega)} \quad \Rightarrow \quad f^+ = h^+ \star y = f_0 + h^+ \star w$$

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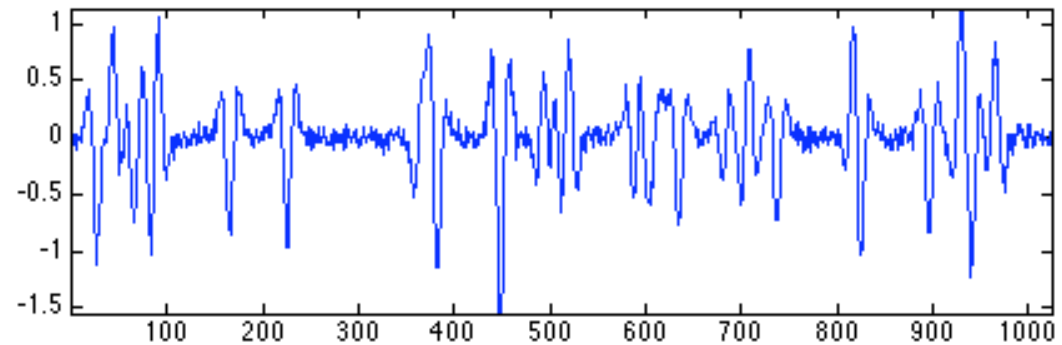
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Sparse Spikes Deconvolution



f with small $\|f\|_0$



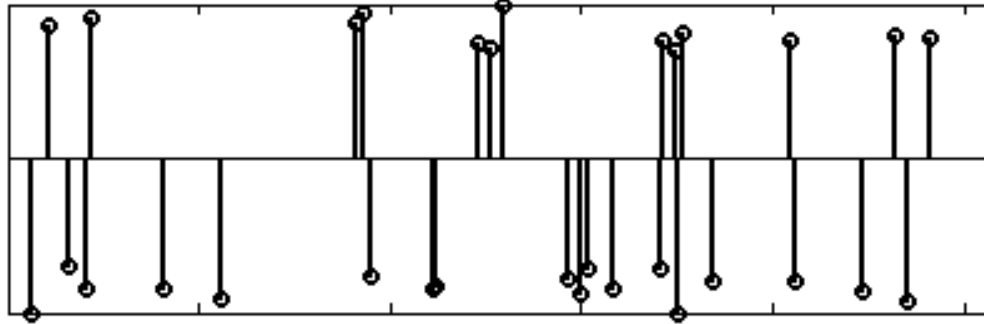
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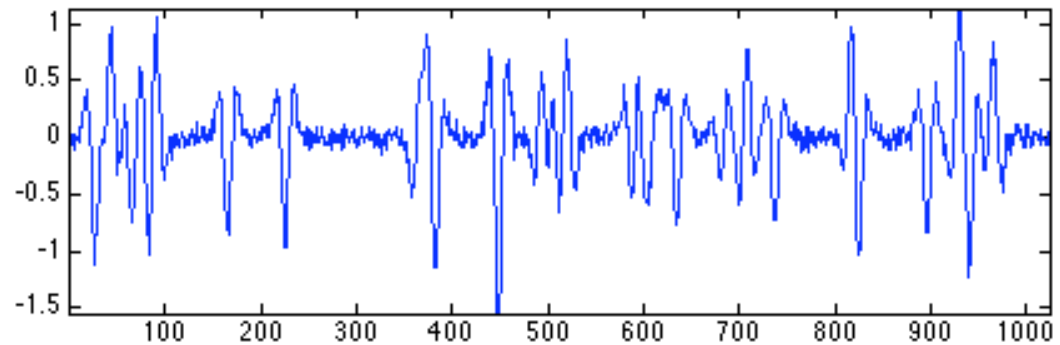
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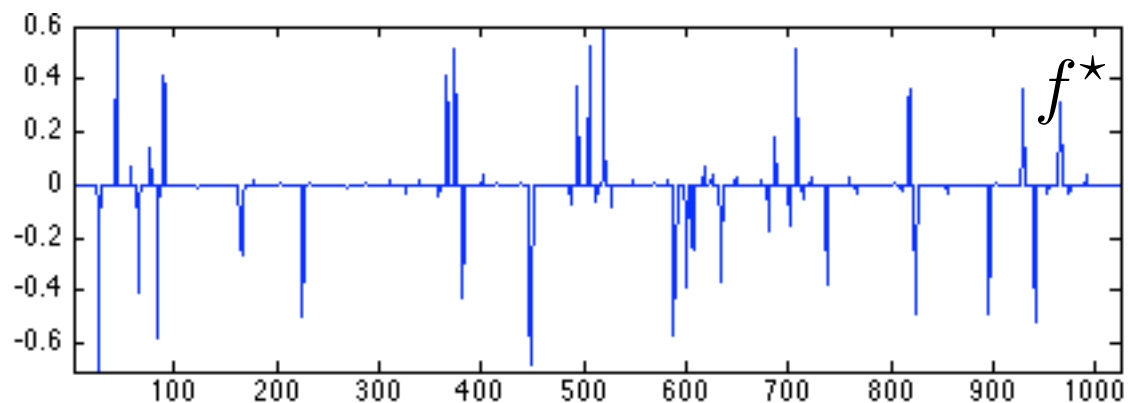
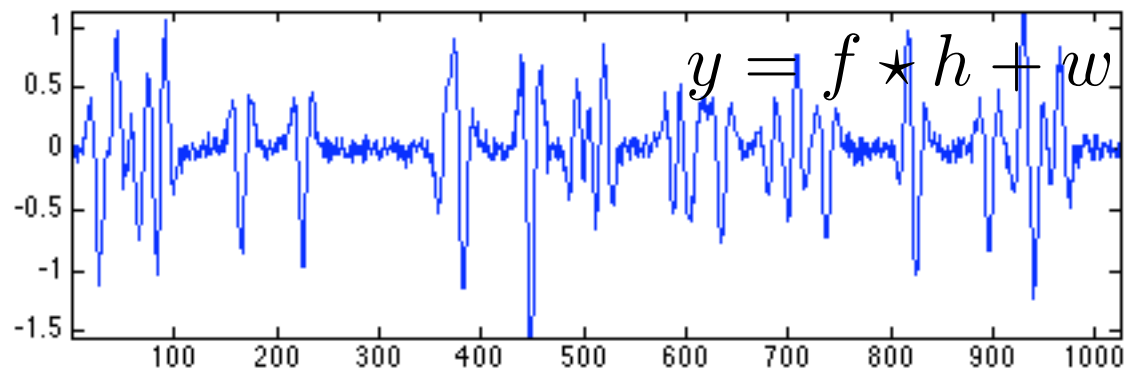
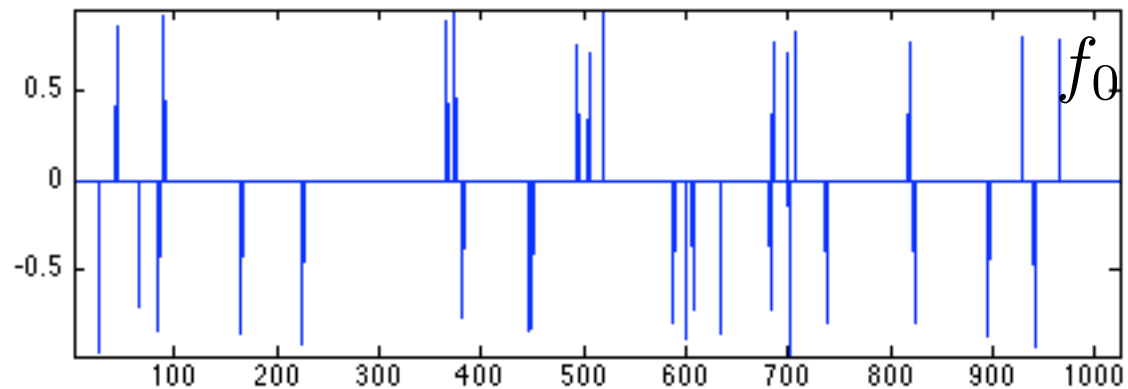
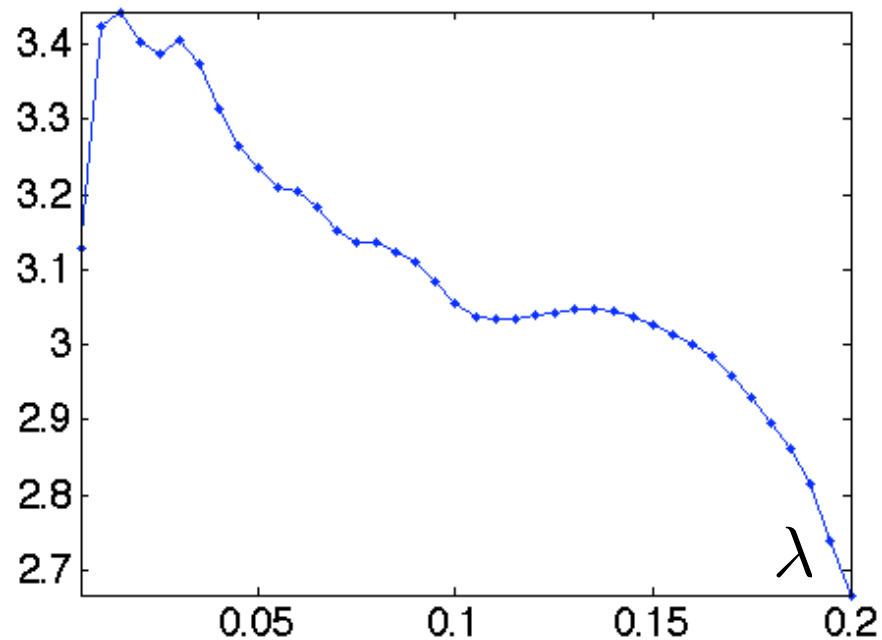
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Numerical Example

Choosing optimal λ :

oracle, minimize $\|f_0 - f^*\|$

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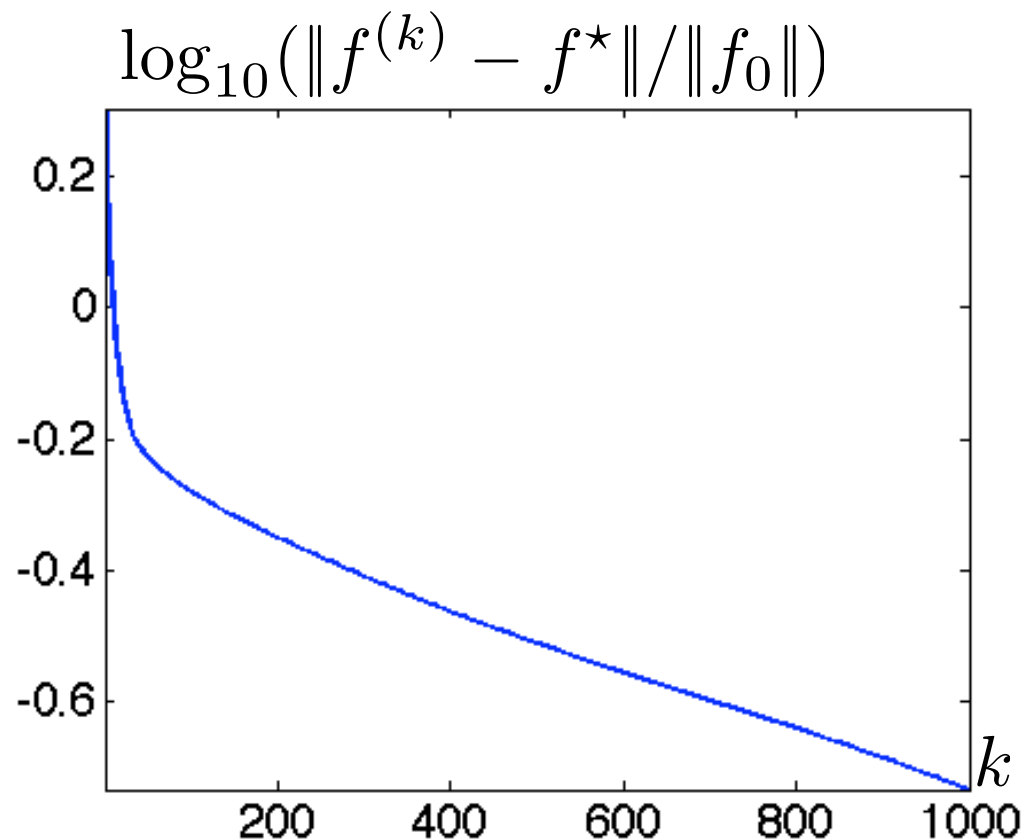
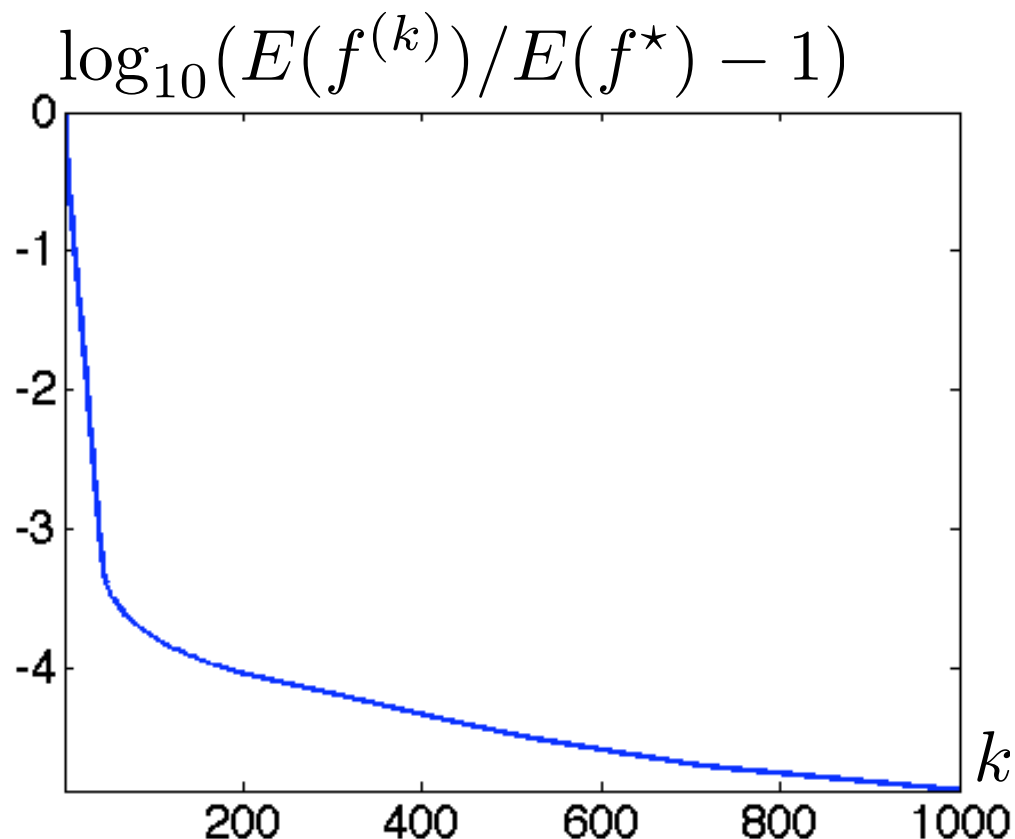


Convergence Study

Sparse deconvolution: $f^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{f \in \mathbb{R}^N} E(f)$.

$$\text{Energy: } E(f) = \frac{1}{2} \|h \star f - y\|^2 + \lambda \sum_m |f[m]|.$$

Not strictly convex $\implies$ no convergence speed.





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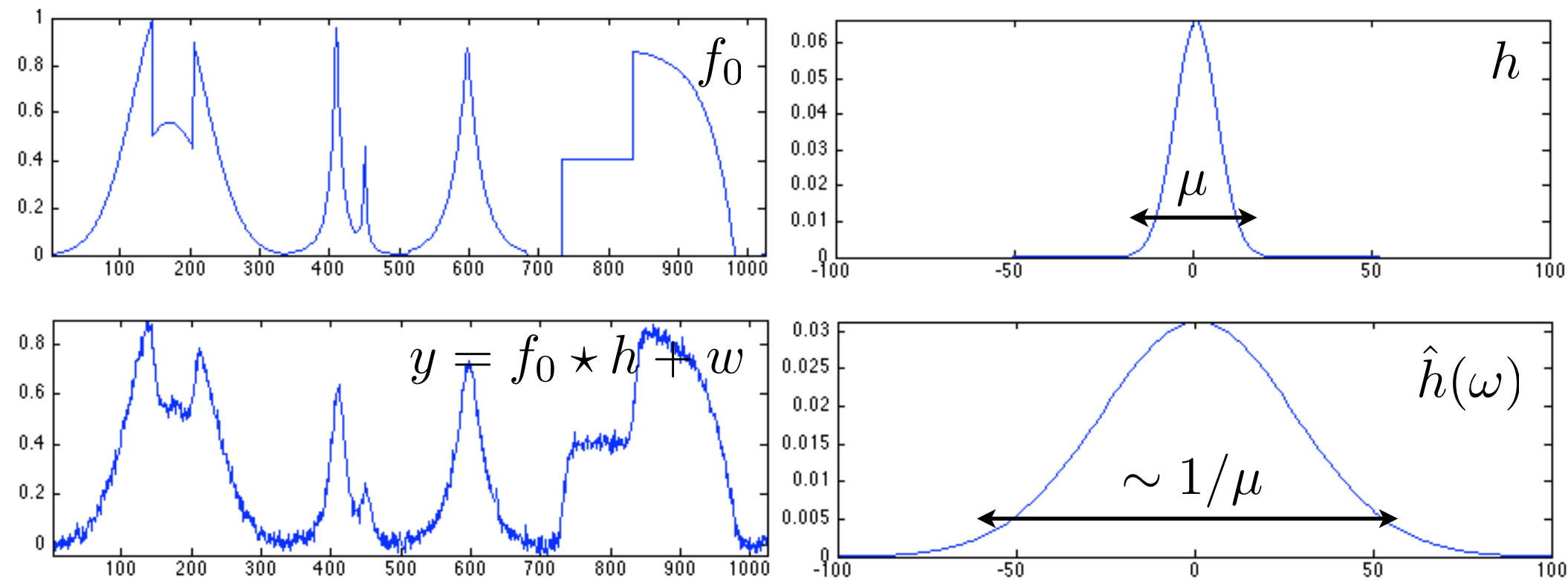
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De-blurring Problem

De-blurring: $y = f_0 \star h + w$.

Optical blur: h Gaussian filter of width $\mu > 0$.

effective measurements: $P \sim 1/\mu$.



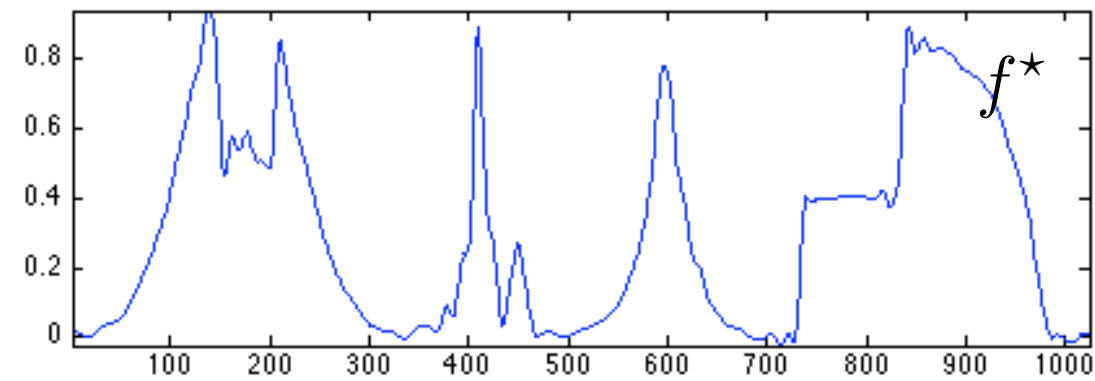
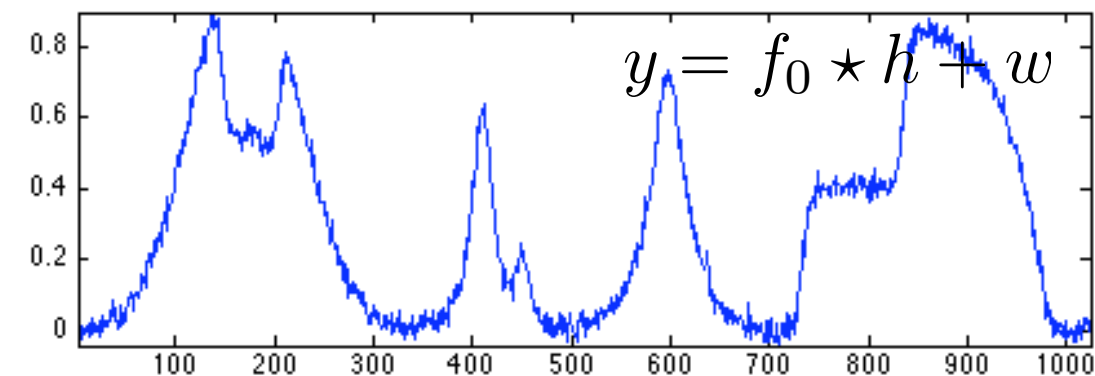
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Sparsity of f_0 in wavelets $\{\psi_m\} = \{\psi_{j,n}\}_{m=(j,n)}$.

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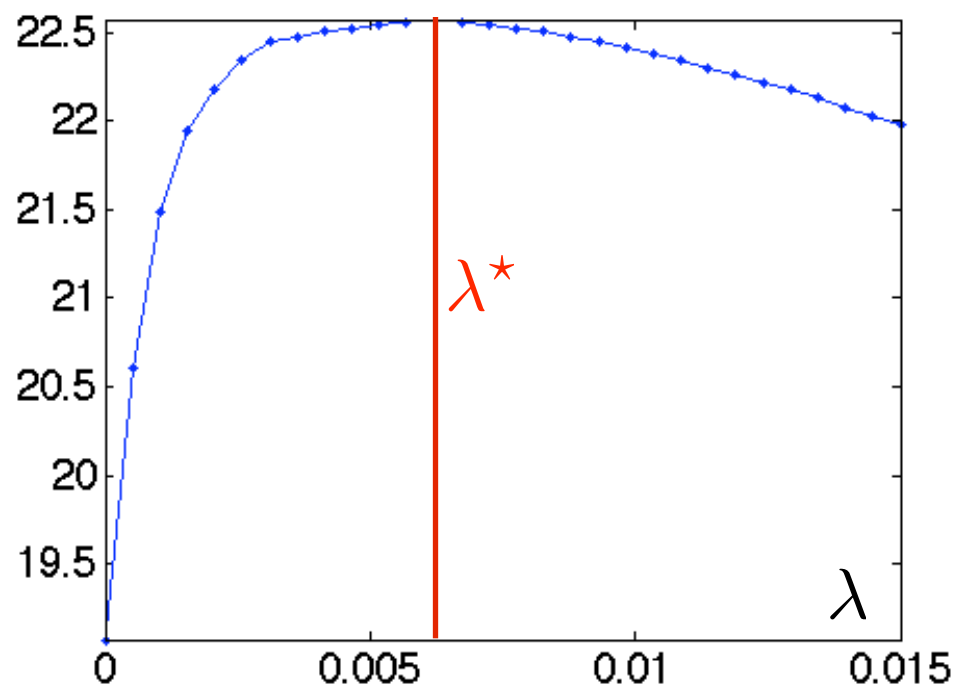


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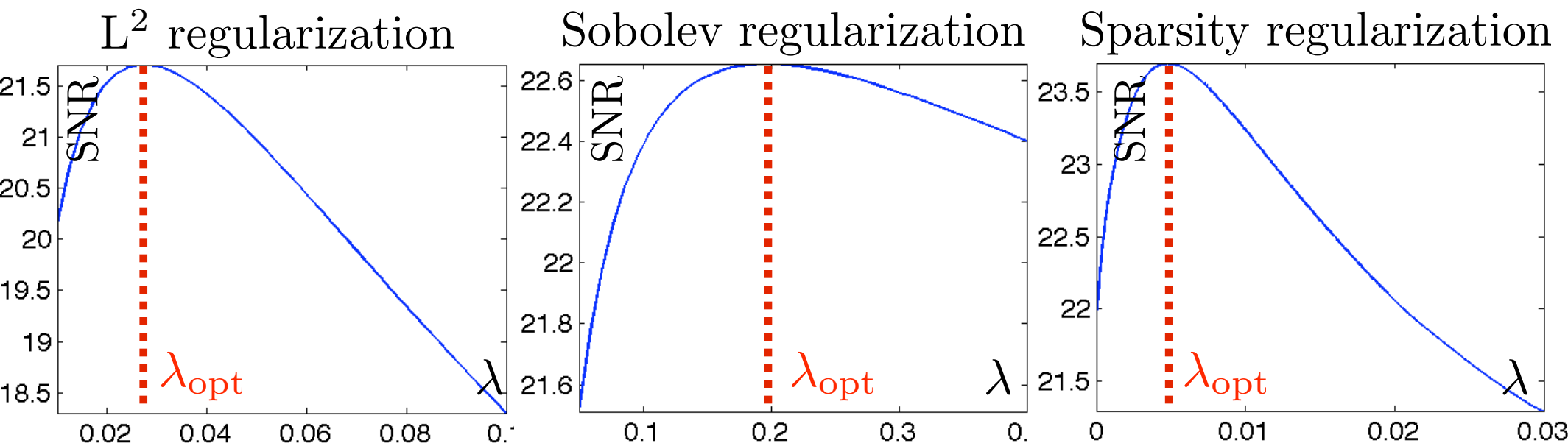
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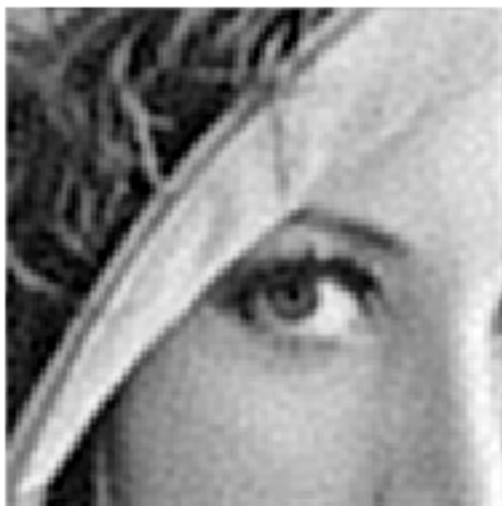
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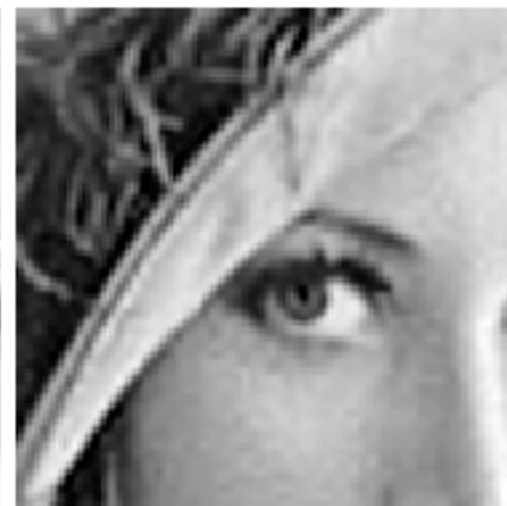
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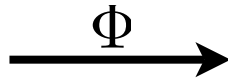
Invariant
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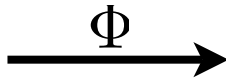
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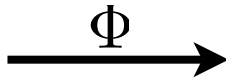
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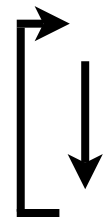


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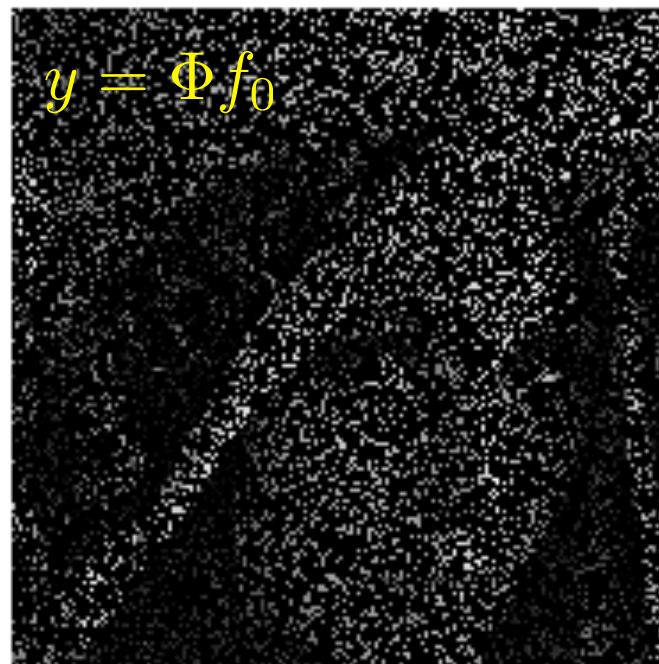


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Extension: translation invariant wavelet frame denoising.

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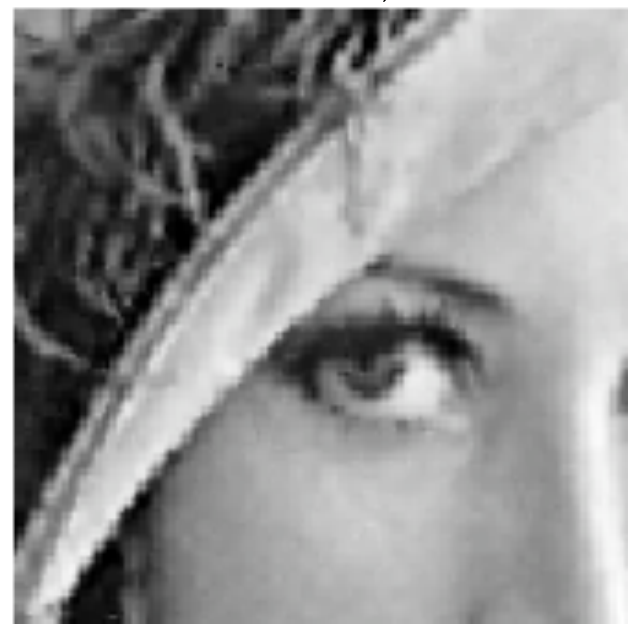
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Wavelets orth, 16.6dB



Wavelets TI, 23.6dB





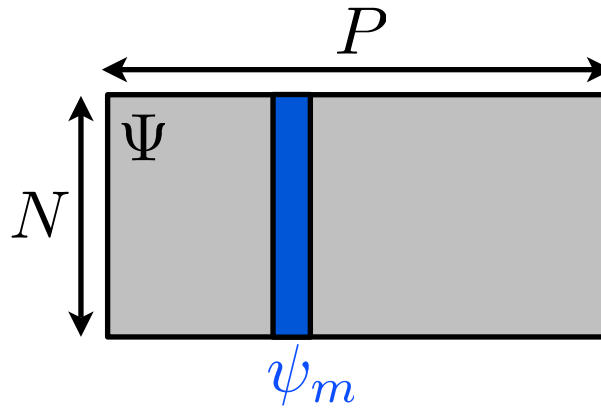
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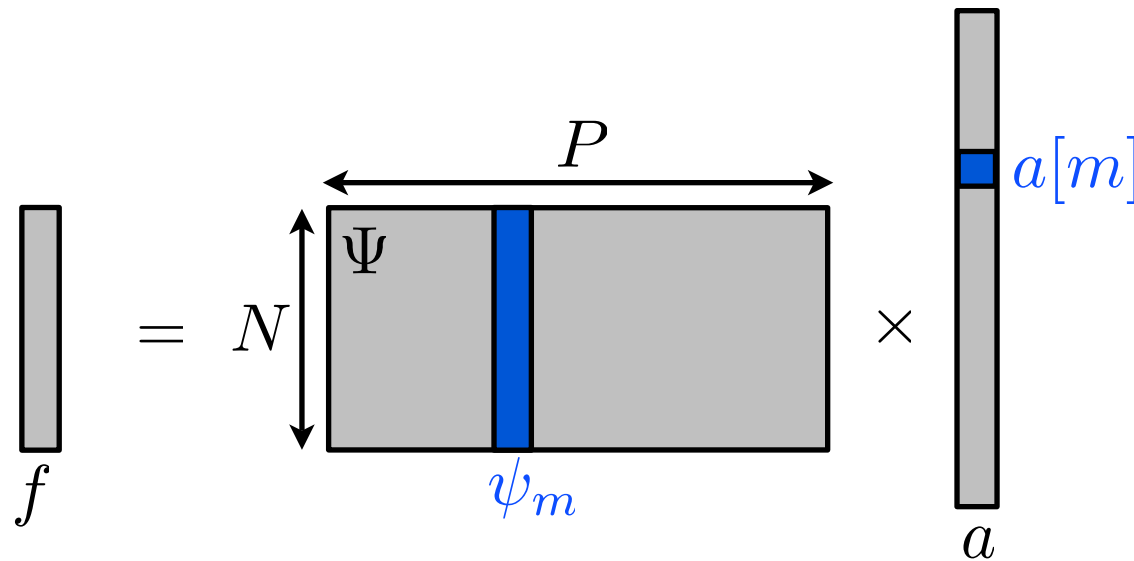
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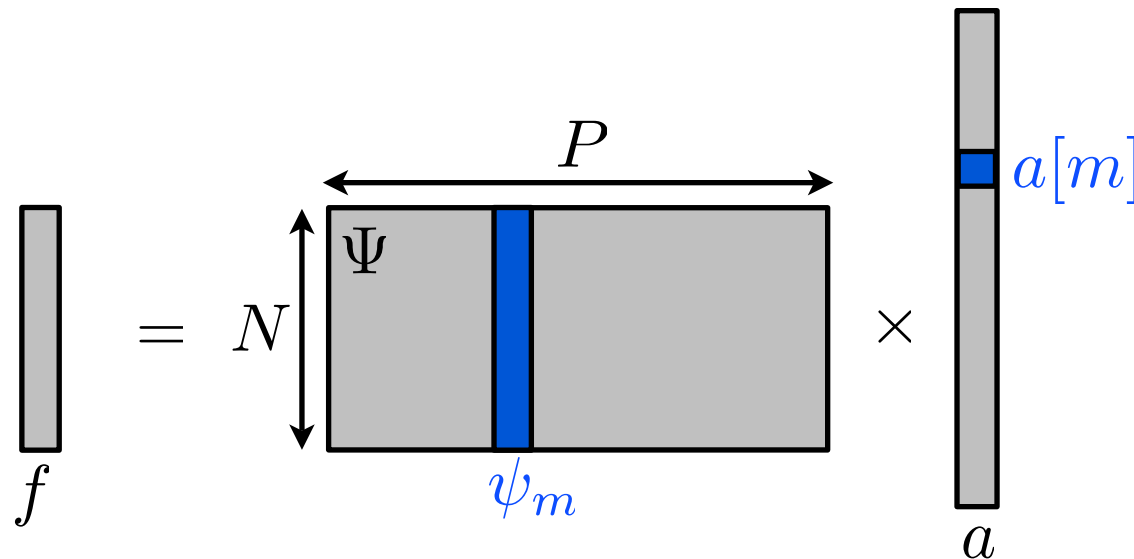


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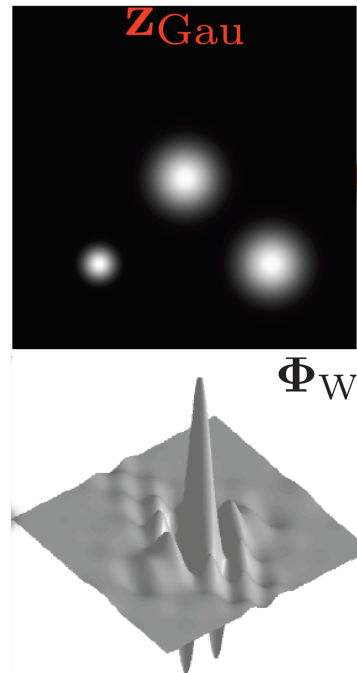


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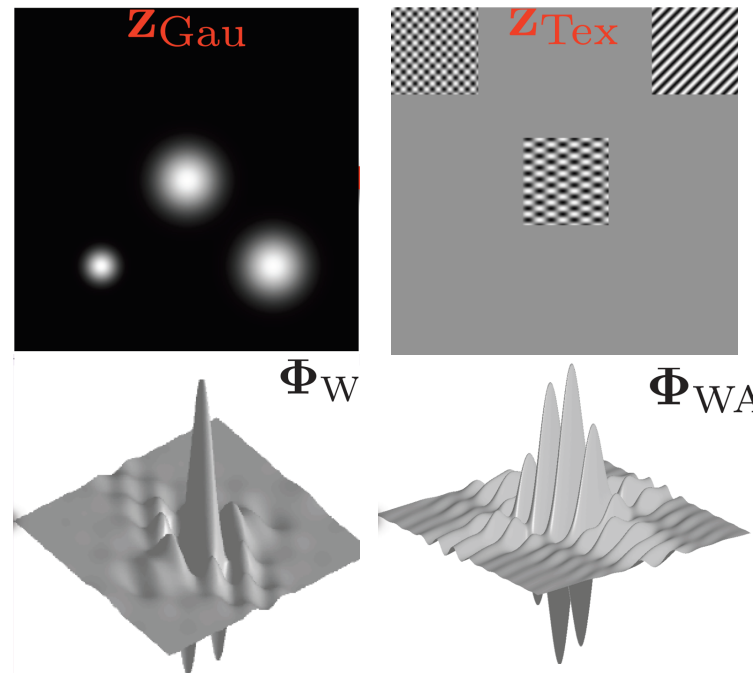


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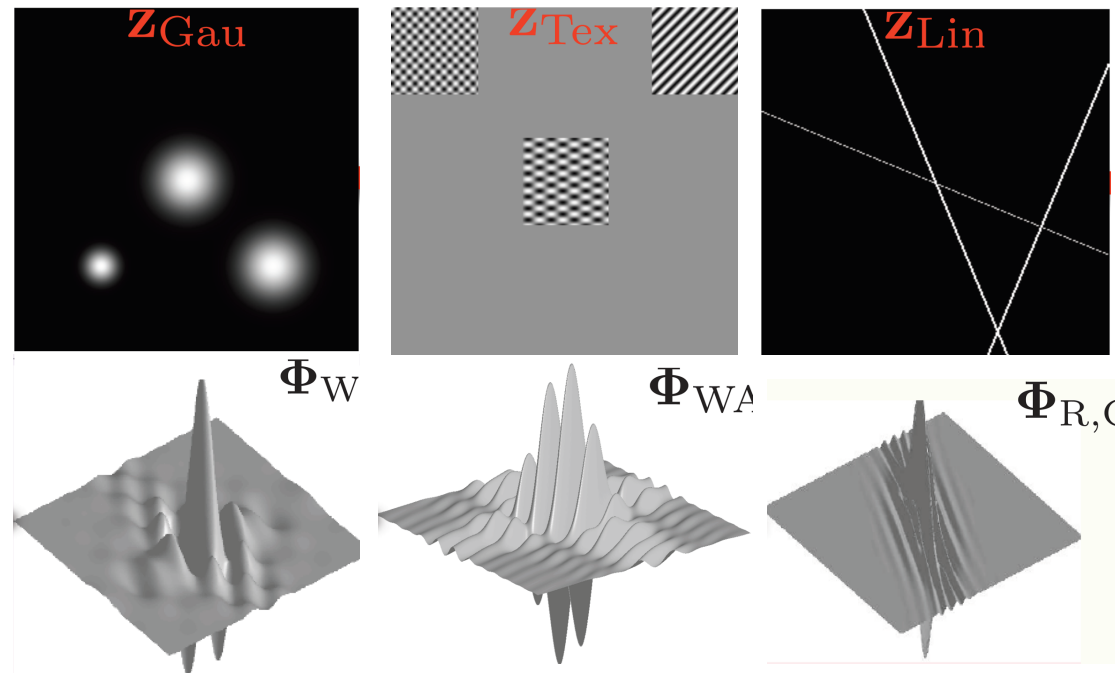


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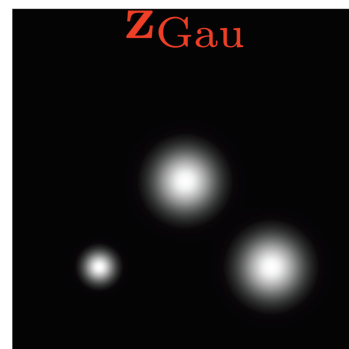
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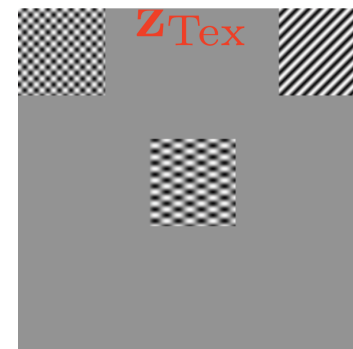
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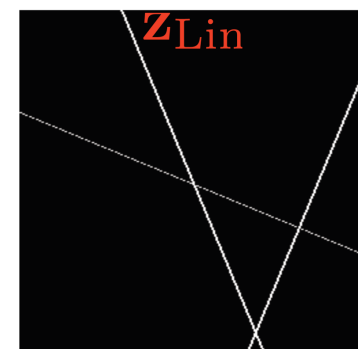
Other: adaptivity (bandlets),
learning, ...



Φ_W



Φ_{WA}



$\Phi_{R,C}$

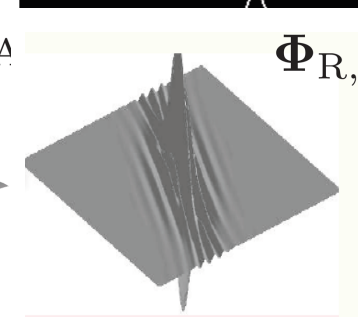
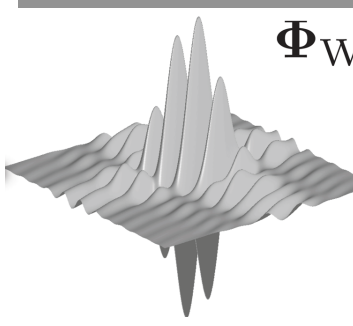
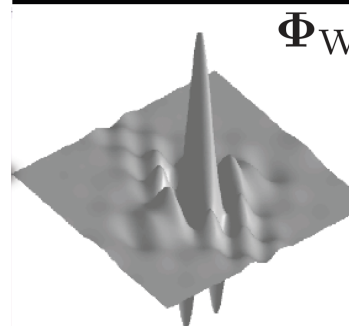


Image Separation

Decompose $f = f_1^* + f_2^* + w$, (f_1^*, f_2^*) morphological components, w noise.

Different morphologies: sparse in different dictionaries Ψ_1, Ψ_2 .

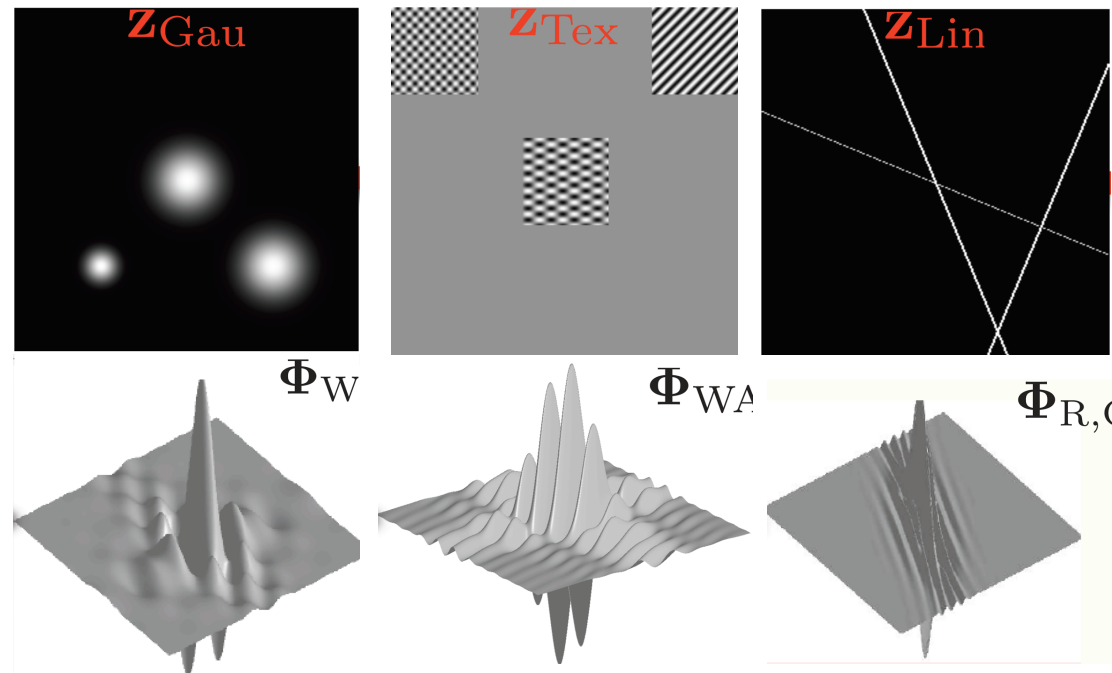
Isotropic: wavelet frame.

Texture: local cosine frame.

Lines: ridgelets frame.

Cartoon: curvelet frame.

Other: adaptivity (bandlets),
learning, ...



Highly redundant union dictionary:

$$\Psi = [\Psi_1, \Psi_2] = \{\psi_m^1\}_{m=0}^{P_1-1} \cup \{\psi_m^2\}_{m=0}^{P_2-1}$$

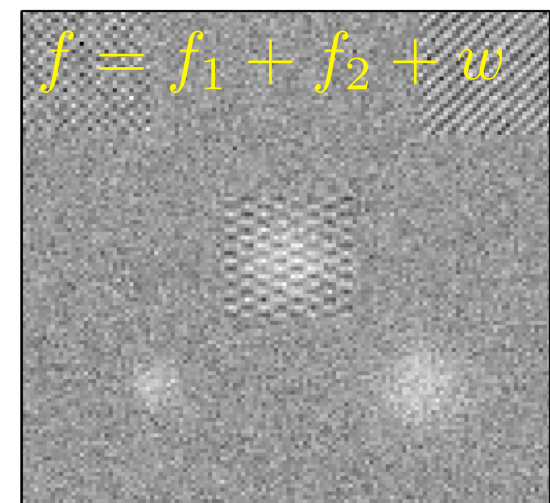
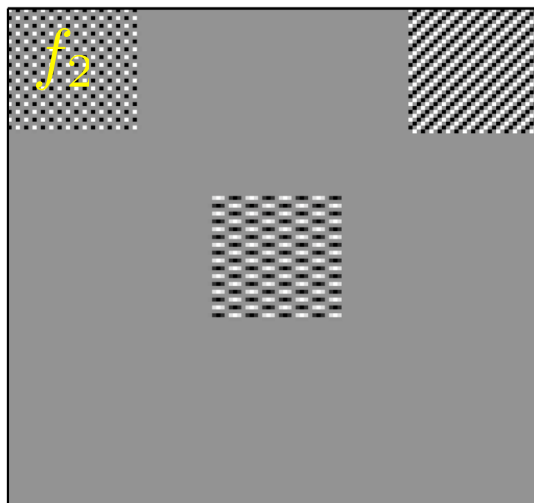
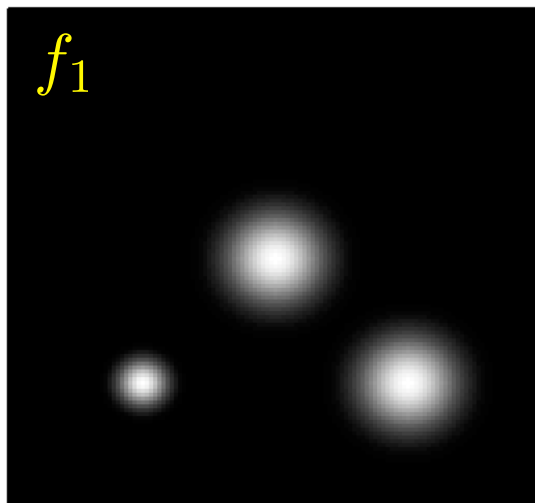
$$(a_1^*, a_2^*) = \underset{(a_1, a_2) \in \mathbb{R}^P}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{2} \|f - (\Psi_1 a_1 + \Psi_2 a_2)\|^2 + \lambda(\|a_1\|_1 + \|a_2\|_1)$$

Optimized components: $f_i^* = \Psi_i a_i^*$.

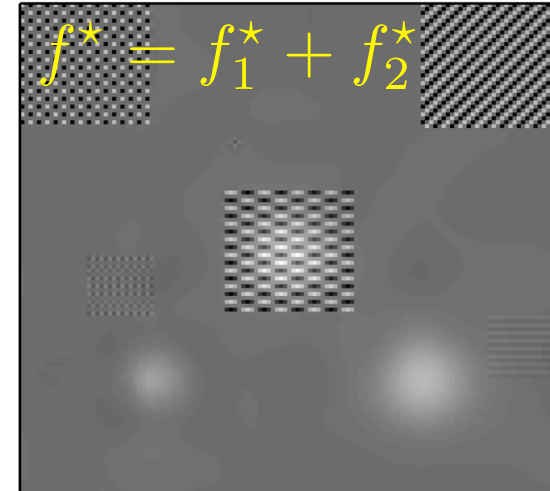
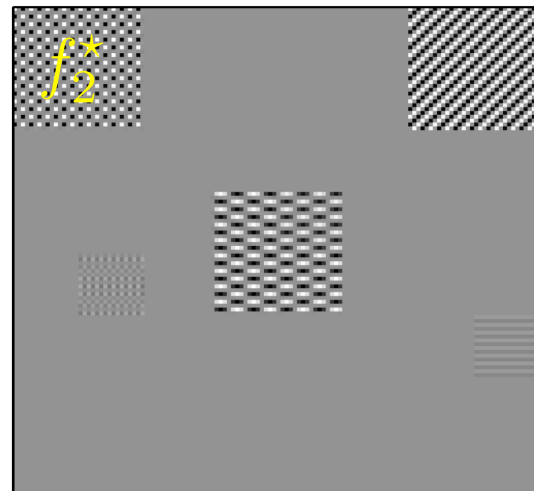
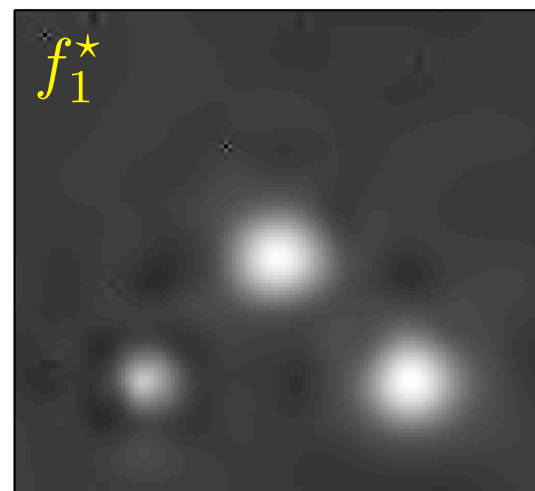
Examples of Decompositions

$\Psi_1 = \{\text{redundant wavelet tight frame}\}$

$\Psi_2 = \{\text{redundant local cosine frame}\}$



PSNR=15dB



PSNR=35.6dB

Results from [Fadili, Starck], see also MCA method.

Cartoon+Texture Separation

Cartoon sketch: sparse in

$$\Psi_1 = \{\text{curvelet tight frame}\}$$

Oscillating textures: sparse in

$$\Psi_2 = \{\text{redundant local cosine frame}\}$$



See also: Meyer's model, [Aujol et al.]

Overview

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$$\tau \leq 2 / \|\Psi^* \Phi^* \Phi \Psi\| \quad a^{(k)} \rightarrow a^*$$

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$$\bar{f}^* = \operatorname{argmin}_{f \in \mathbb{R}^N} \frac{1}{2} \|y - \Phi f\|^2 + \lambda \sum_m |\langle f, \psi_m \rangle| = \frac{1}{2} \|y - \Phi f\|^2 + \lambda \|\Psi^* f\|_1$$

→ The correlations of $\bar{f}^*$ with $\{\psi_m\}_m$ are sparse.

If $\{\psi_m\}_m$ is orthogonal, $\bar{f}^* = f^*$.

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2) *Denoising:* Initialize $a^{(0)}$, set $\ell = 0$, repeat:

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b) $a^{(\ell+1)}[m] = \frac{\tilde{a}^{(\ell)}[m]}{\max(|\tilde{a}^{(\ell)}[m]|, \lambda\tau_1)} \quad \tau_2 \leq \frac{2}{\|\Psi^* \Psi\|}$

c) $\ell \leftarrow \ell + 1$

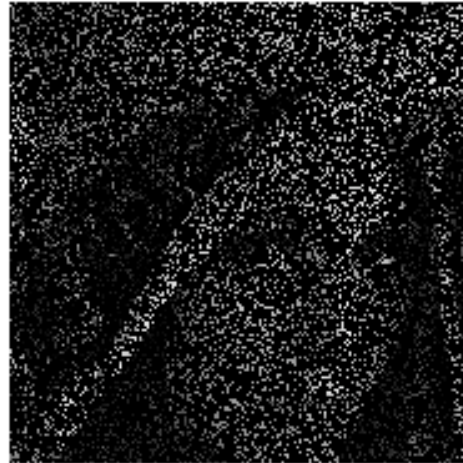
3) Set $f^{(k+1)} = f^{[k]} - \Psi a^{(\ell+1)}$, $k \leftarrow k + 1$

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Linear data acquisition: ill-posed inverse problem $y = \Phi f_0 + w$.



Blurring, sub-sampling

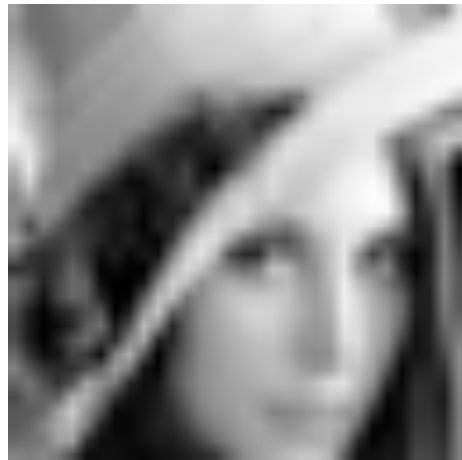


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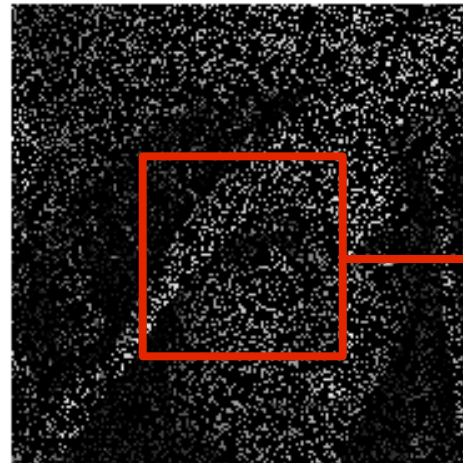
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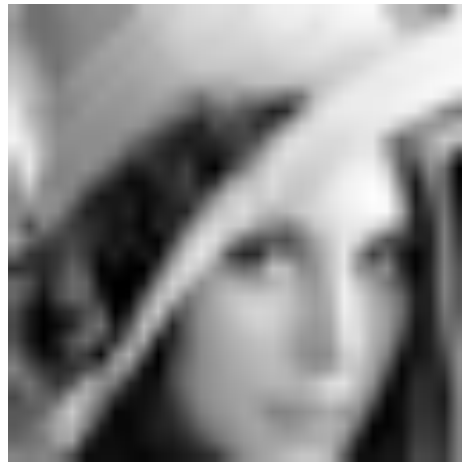


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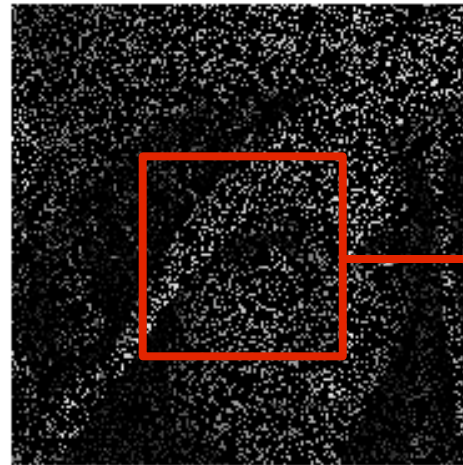
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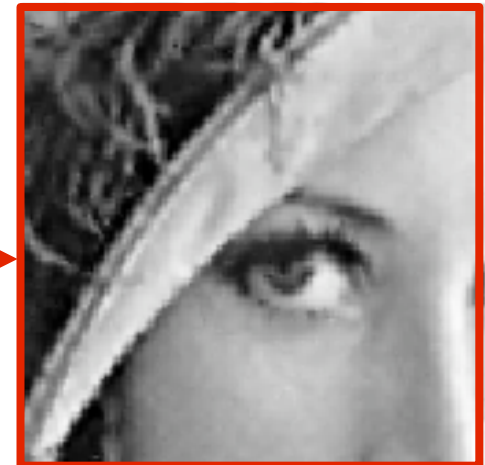
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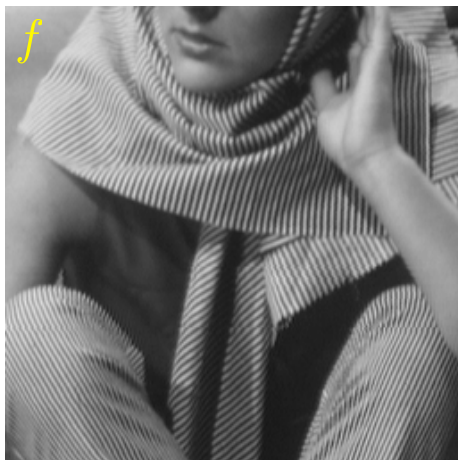


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Sparse decomposition: redundant dictionary, image separation.



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