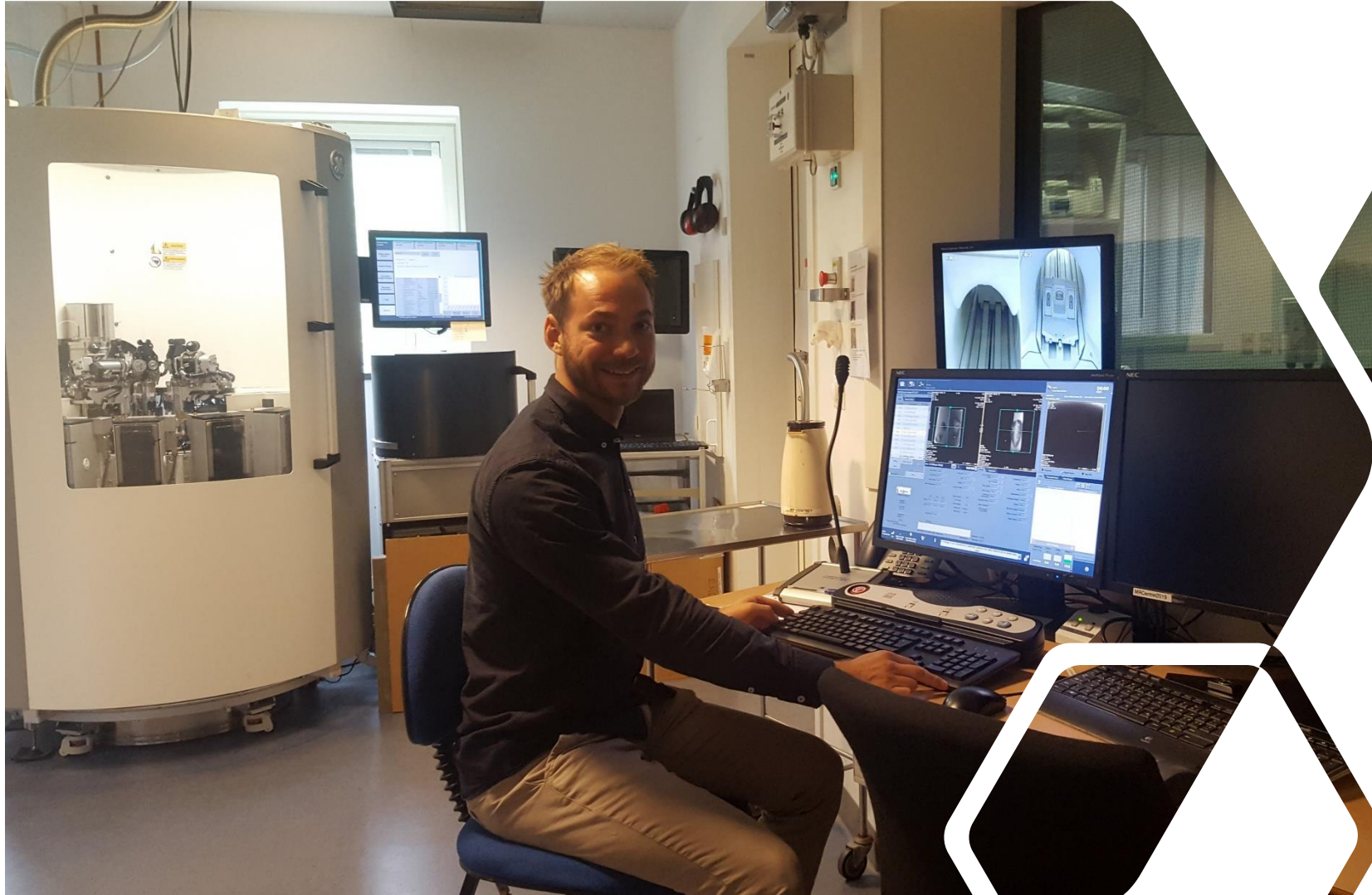


Reconstruction methods Gridding and Parallel Imaging

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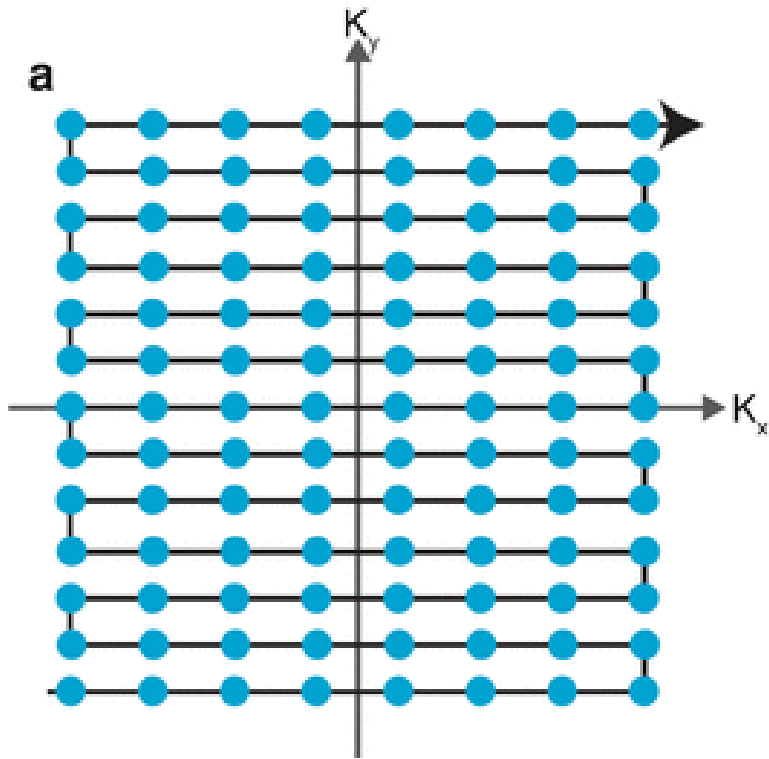
Agenda

- Gridding
 - Non-Cartesian reconstruction
 - K-space resampling
 - Gridding artefacts
 - Oversampling and de-apodization
- Parallel Imaging
 - SENSE | ASSET
 - GRAPPA | ARC
 - Compressed Sensing | HyperSense | Compressed Sense
 - Multiplex | HyperBand | MultiBand | SMS (If time allows)
- Hyperpolarized applications

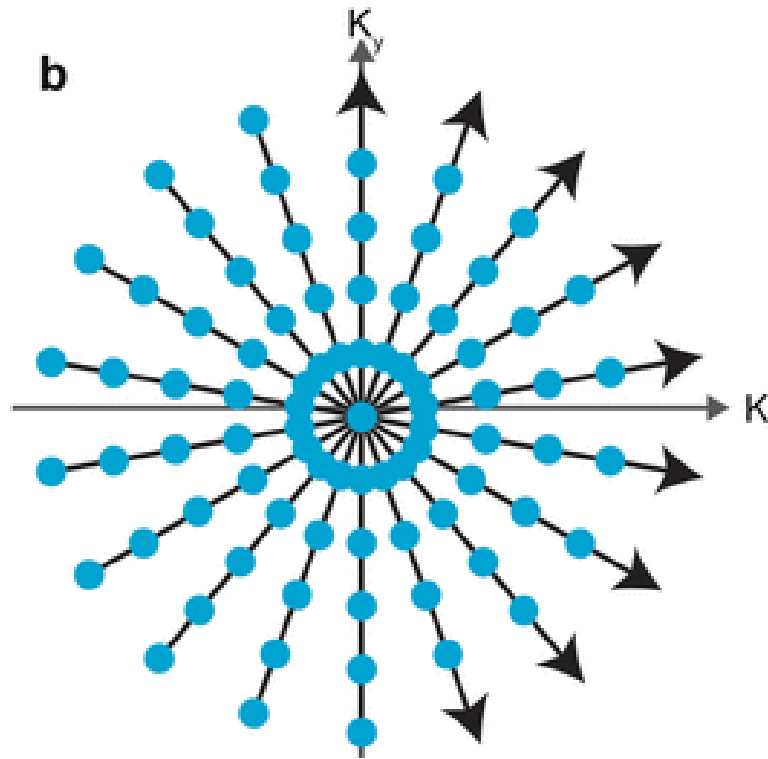
Gridding

Acquisition trajectories

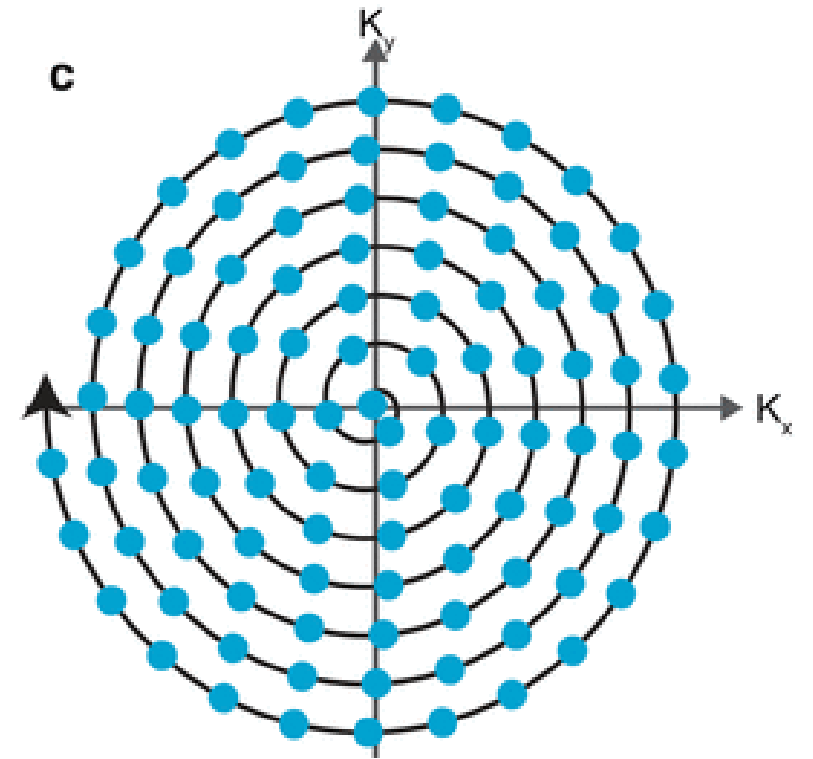
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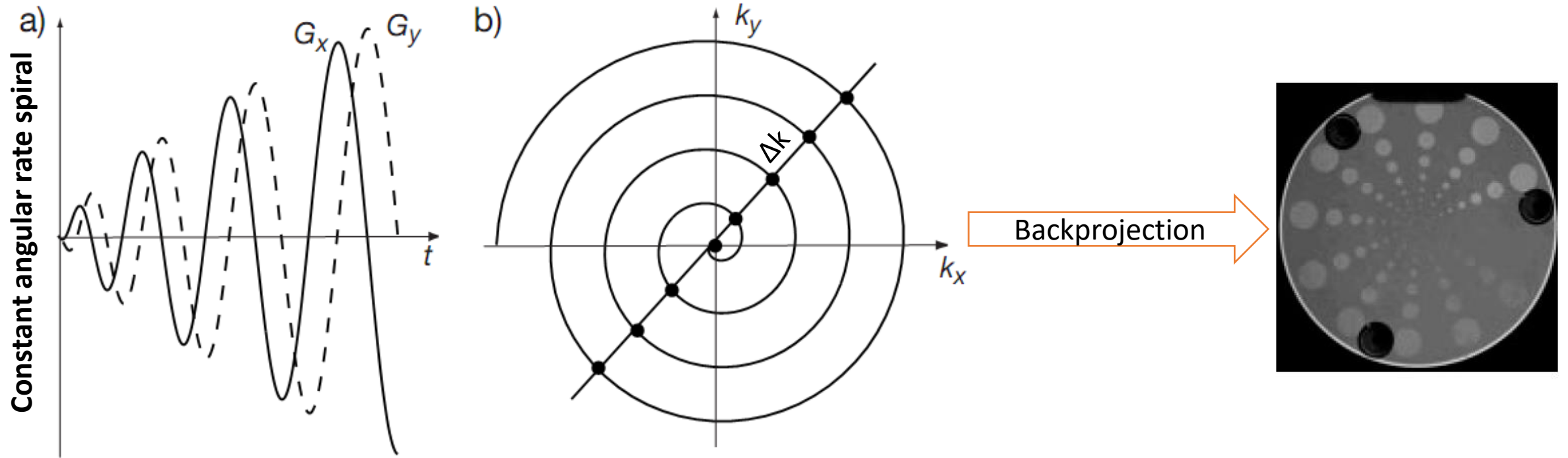
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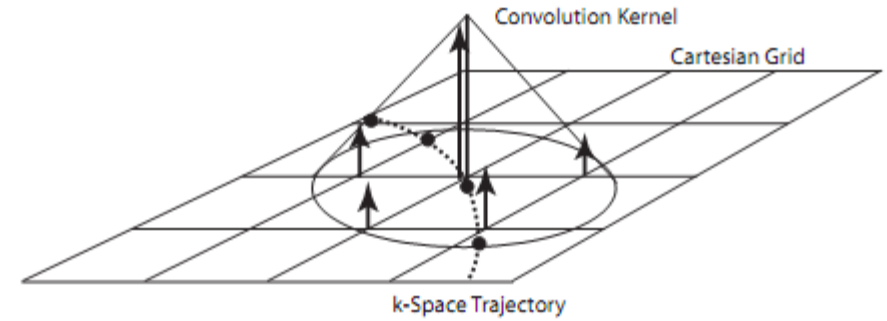
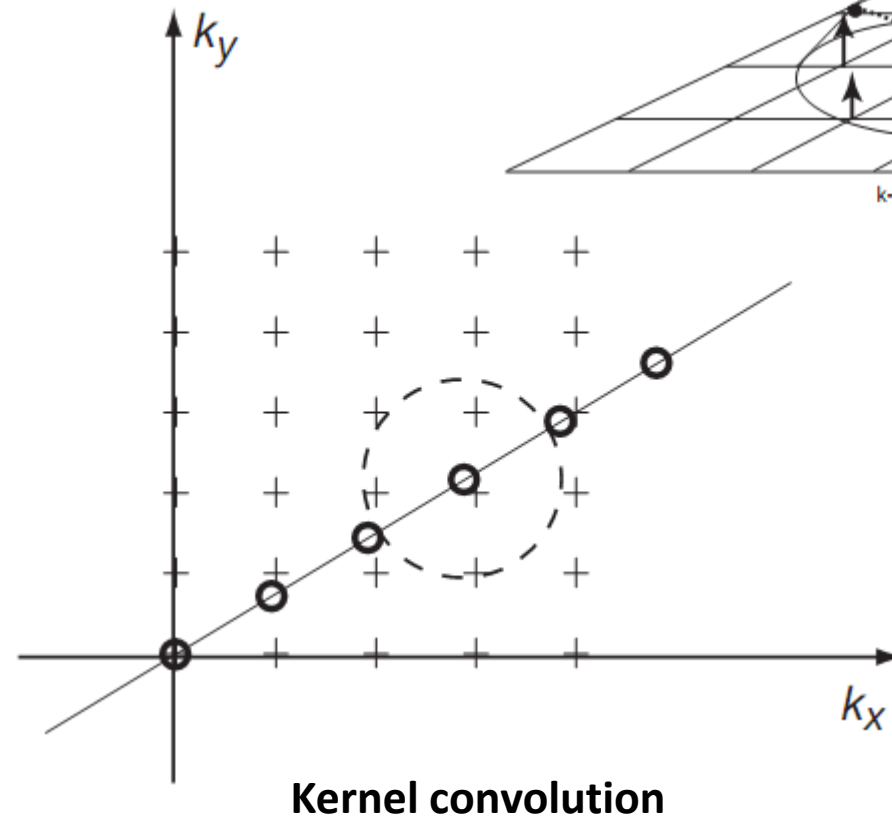
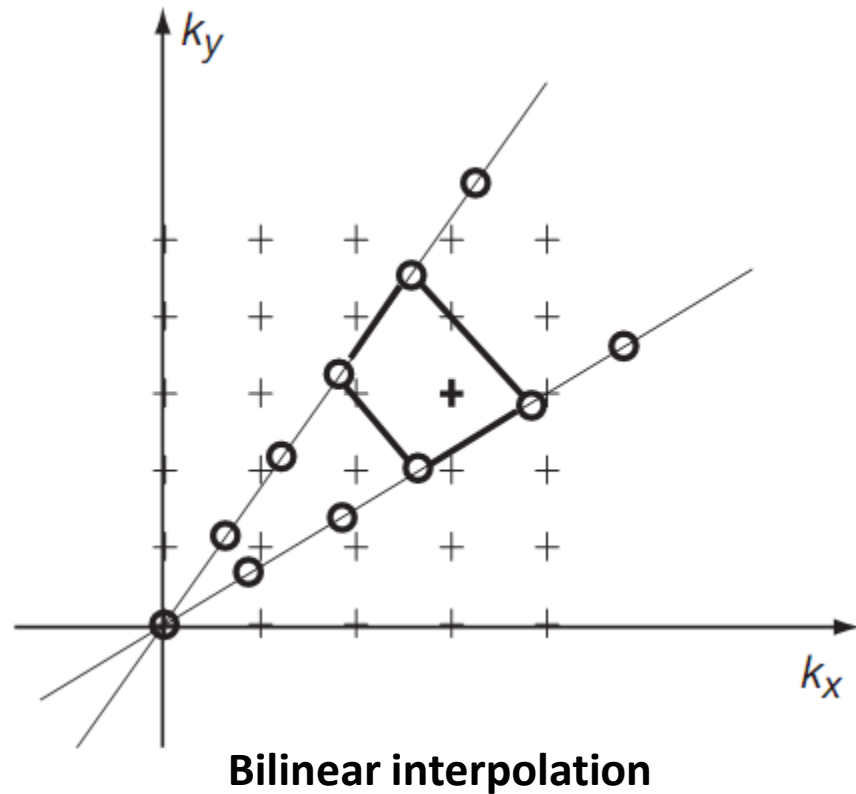
Spiral



Non-Cartesian Reconstruction

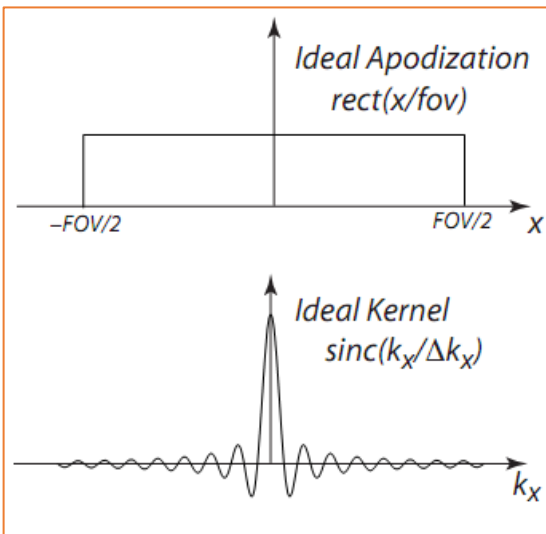


K-space resampling methods (Gridding)

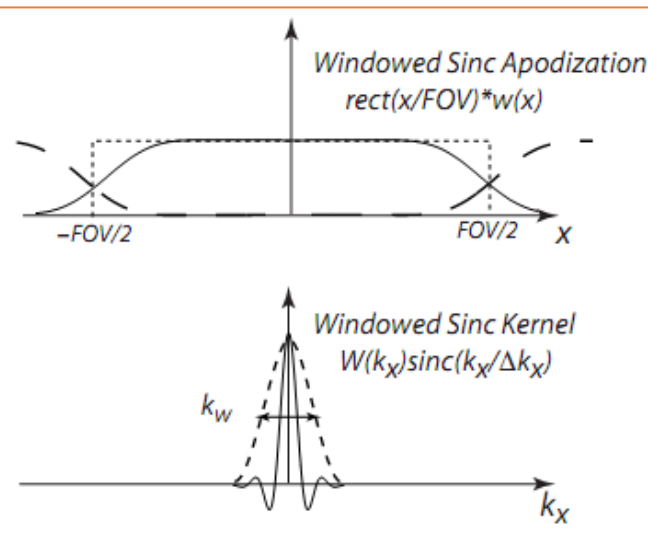


Gridding artifacts

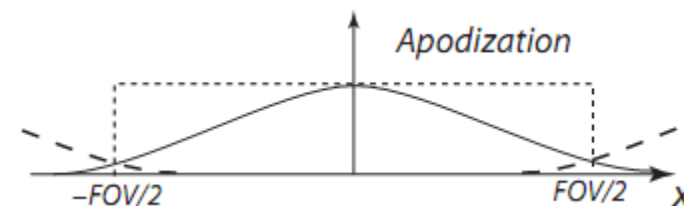
Ideal gridding



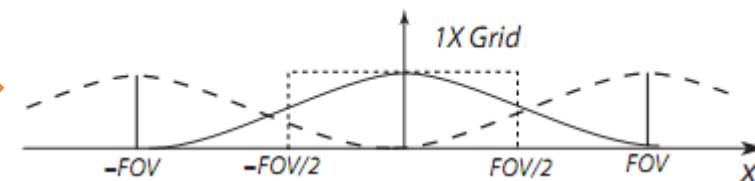
Typ. gridding



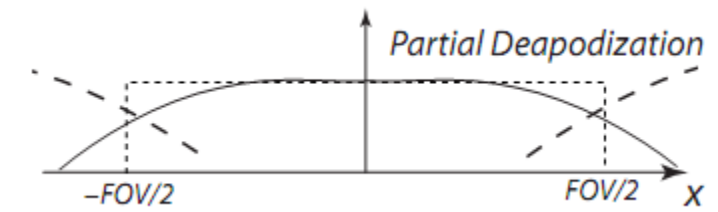
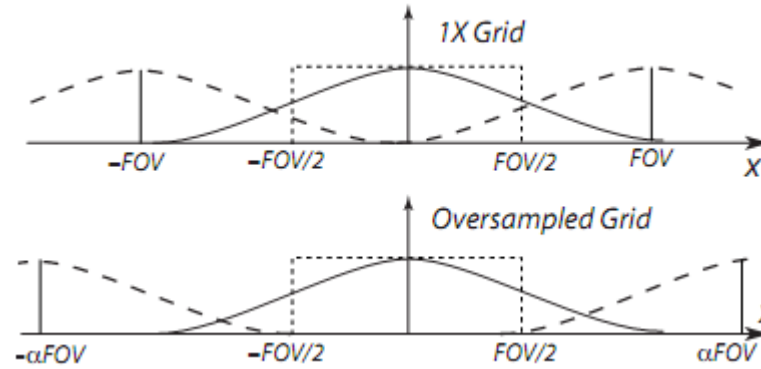
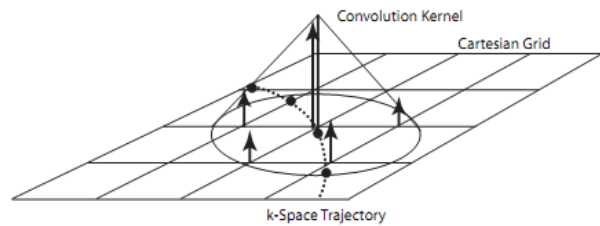
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Aliasing



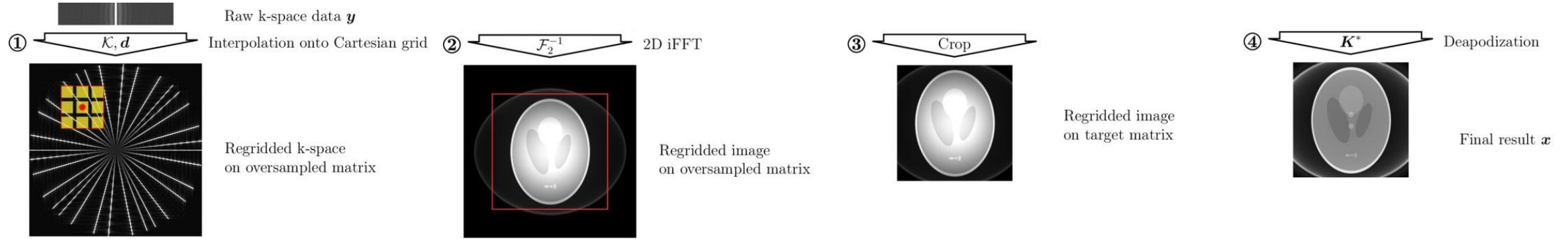
Reconstruction



1. Gridding

2 + 3. Oversampling

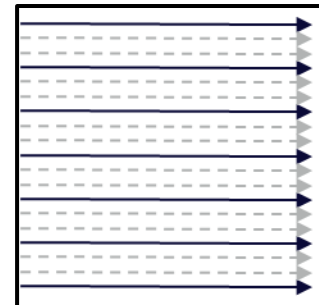
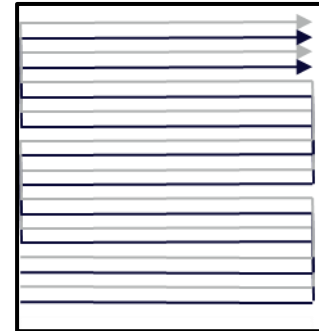
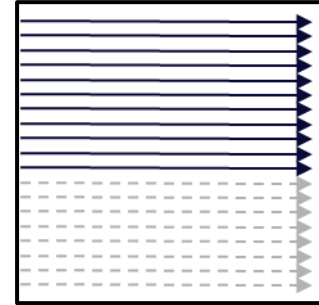
4. De-apodization



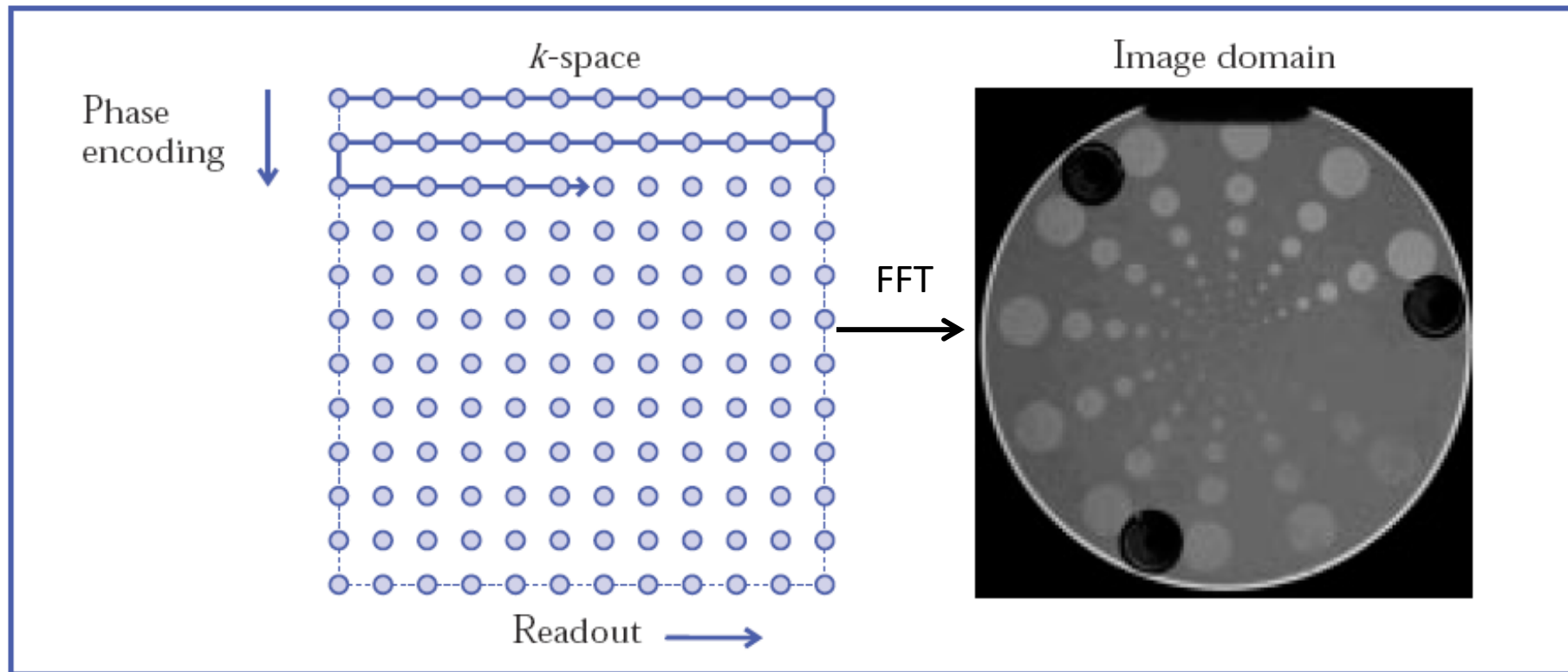
Undersampling k-space

How to accelerate MRI?

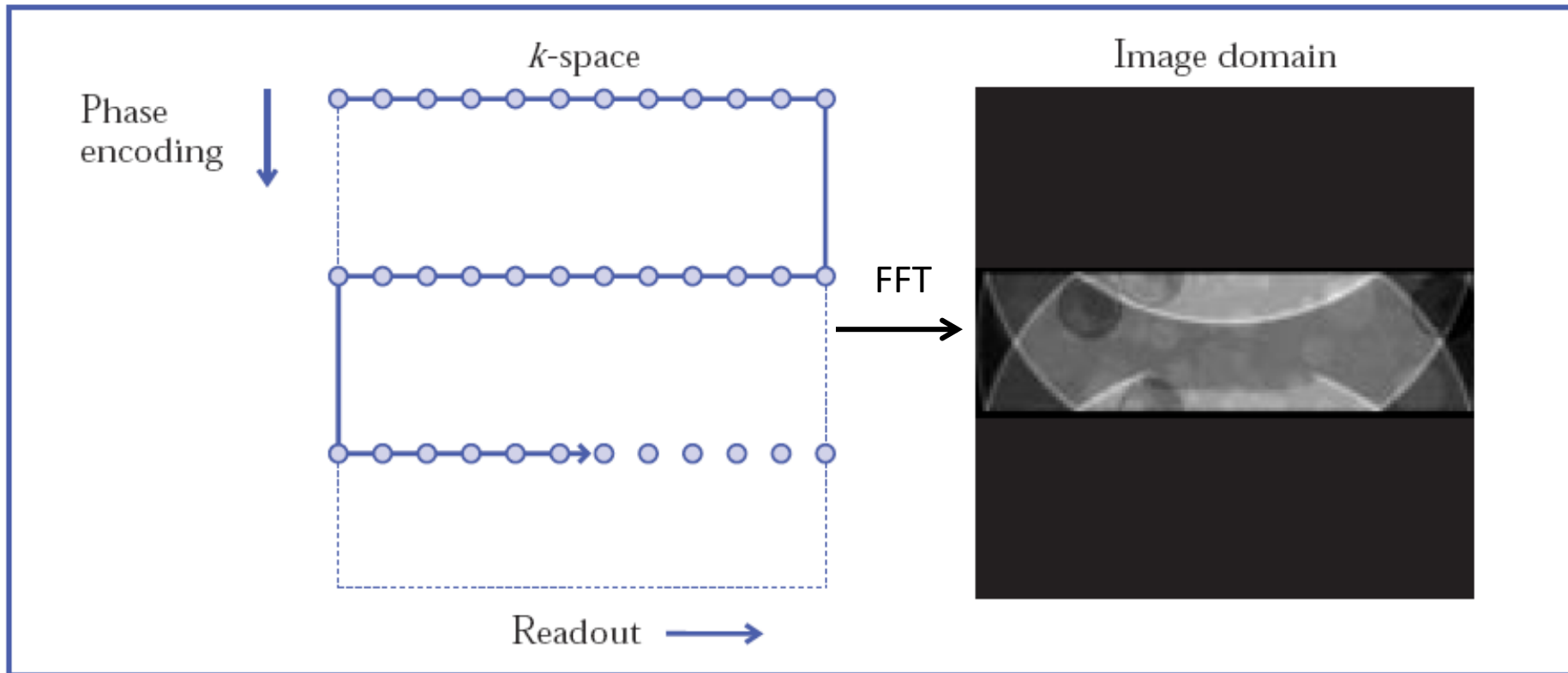
- Record half the k-space
 - Half-Fourier
- More k-space points pr excitation
 - FSE, EPI, CUBE/SPACE/VISTA, etc.
- **Undersampling k-space**
 - SENSE, GRAPPA, Compressed Sensing



Conventional k-space recording

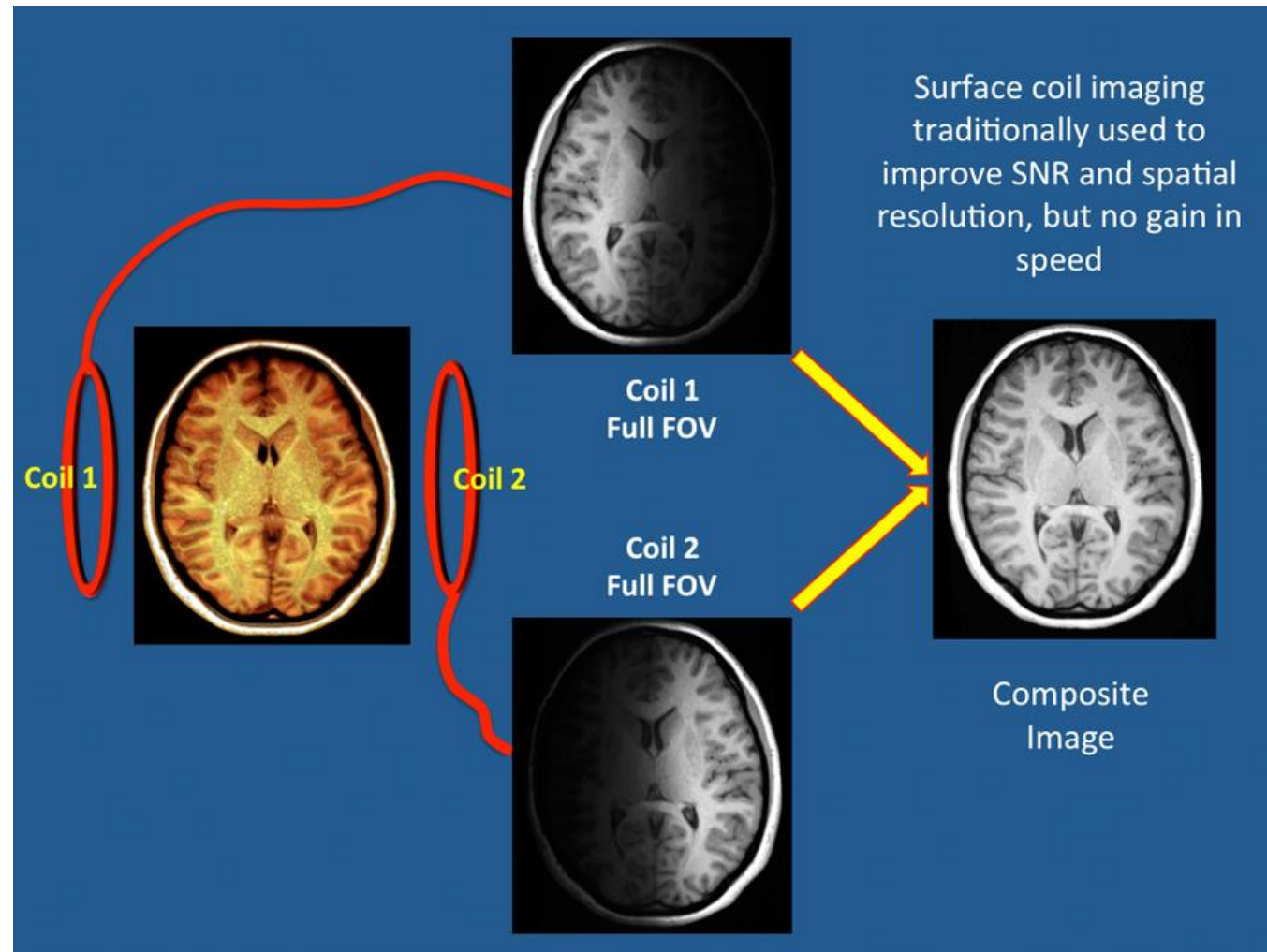


Undersampling of k-space

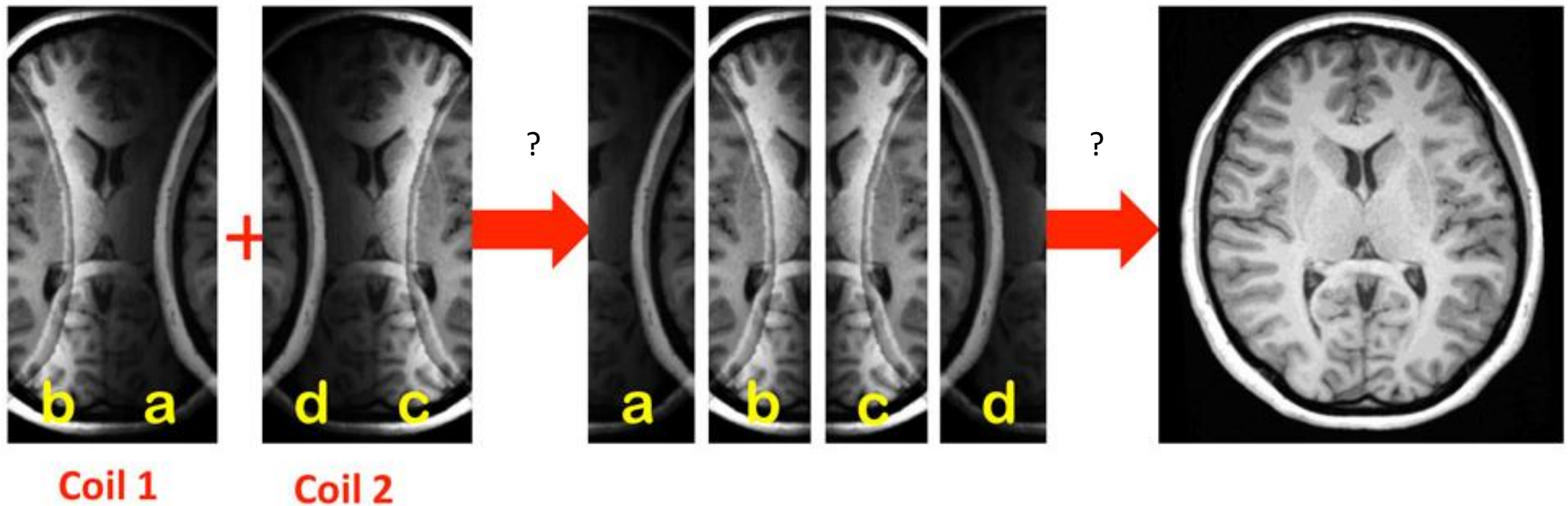


Parallel Imaging

Conventional recording

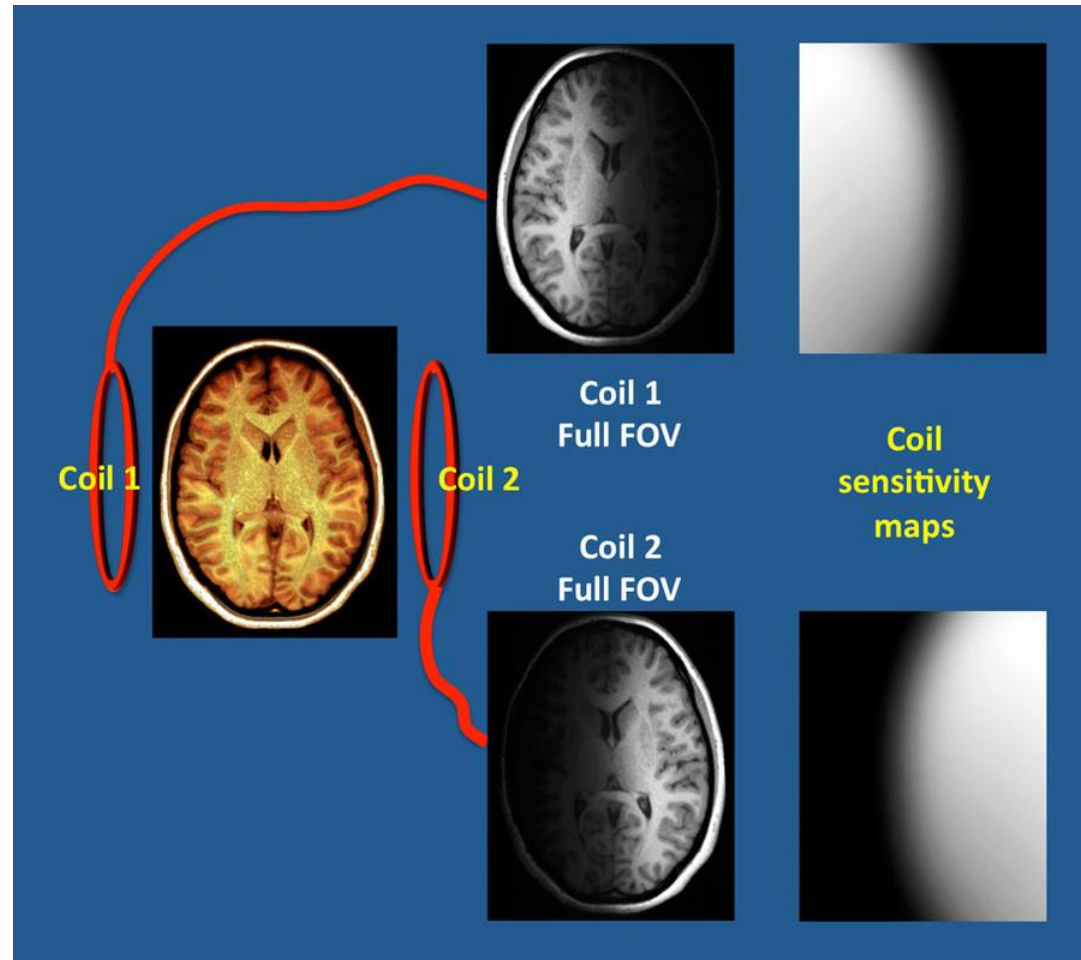


Parallel Imaging – the elements

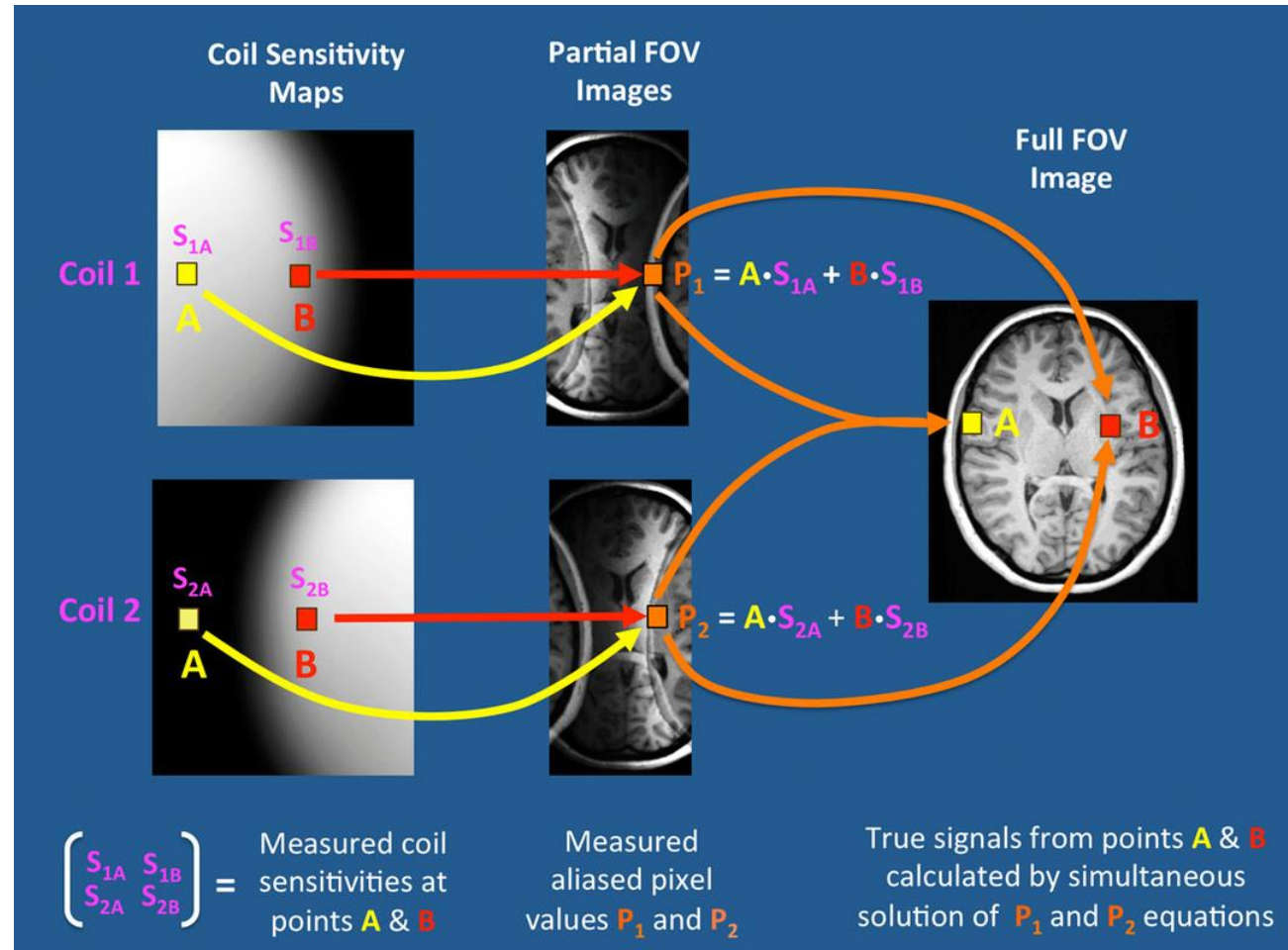


SENSE

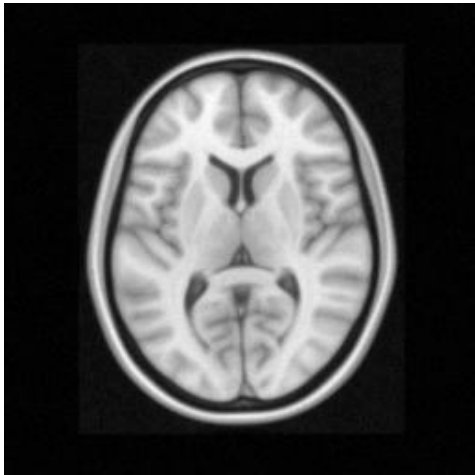
SENSE – coil sensitivity profile



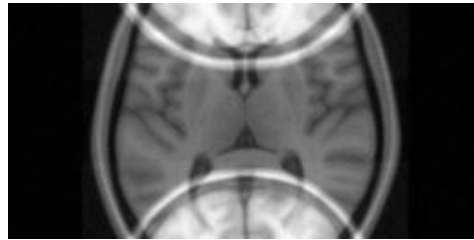
SENSE – linear algebra



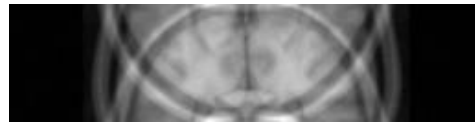
How much can we accelerate?



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R = 2



R = 3

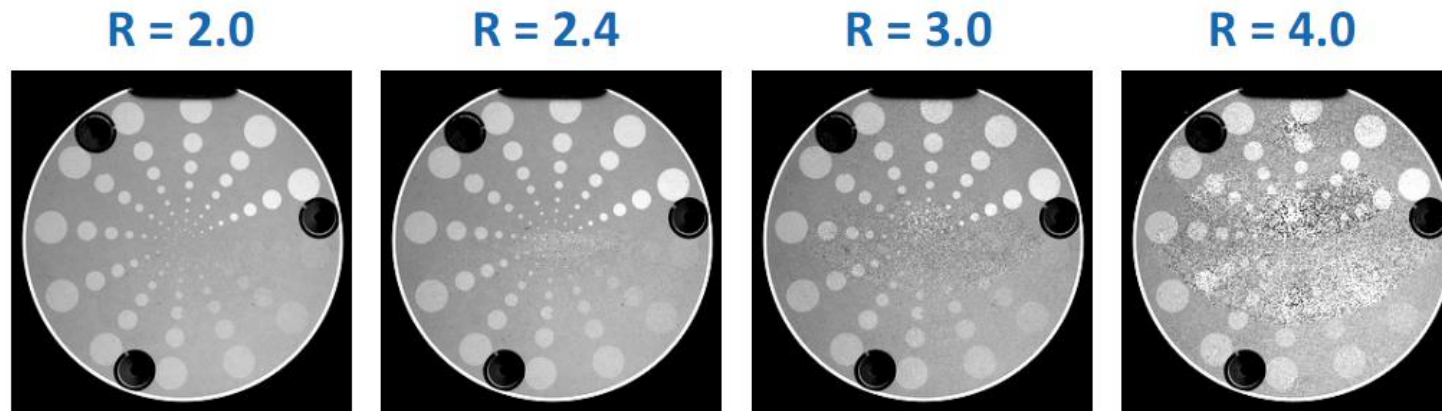


R = 4



R = 5

Parallel Imaging and g-factor



$$\text{SNR}^{\text{SENSE}} = \frac{\text{SNR}^{\text{Full}}}{\sqrt{R} \cdot g(\vec{x})}$$

$$g(\vec{x}) = \sqrt{(E^H E)_{ij} \left((E^H E)^{-1} \right)_{ij}} \geq 1$$

SENSE – SNR vs time



Conventional
(TA 84 sec)

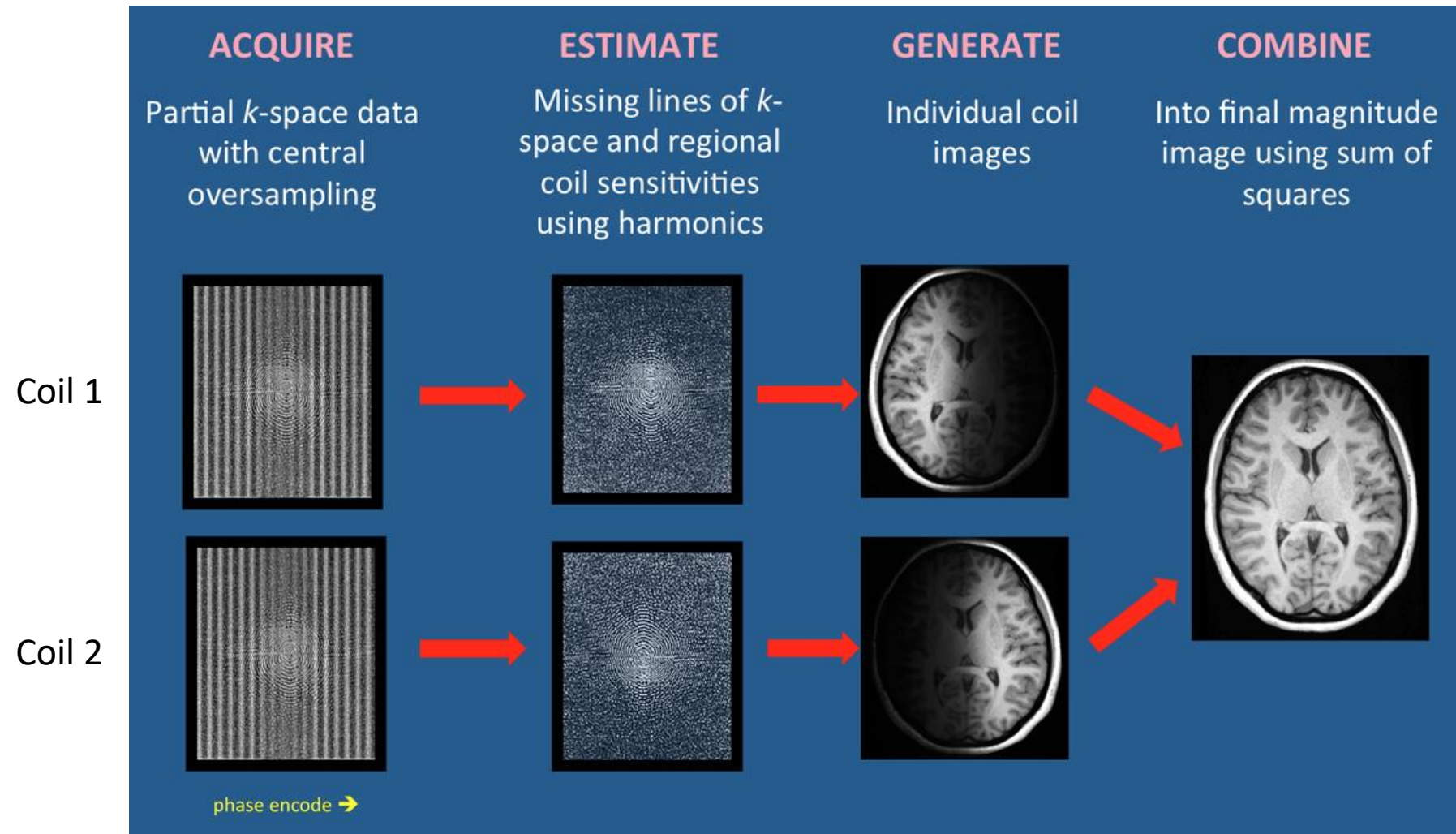
$R = 2$
(TA 44 sec)

$R = 3$
(TA 32 sec)

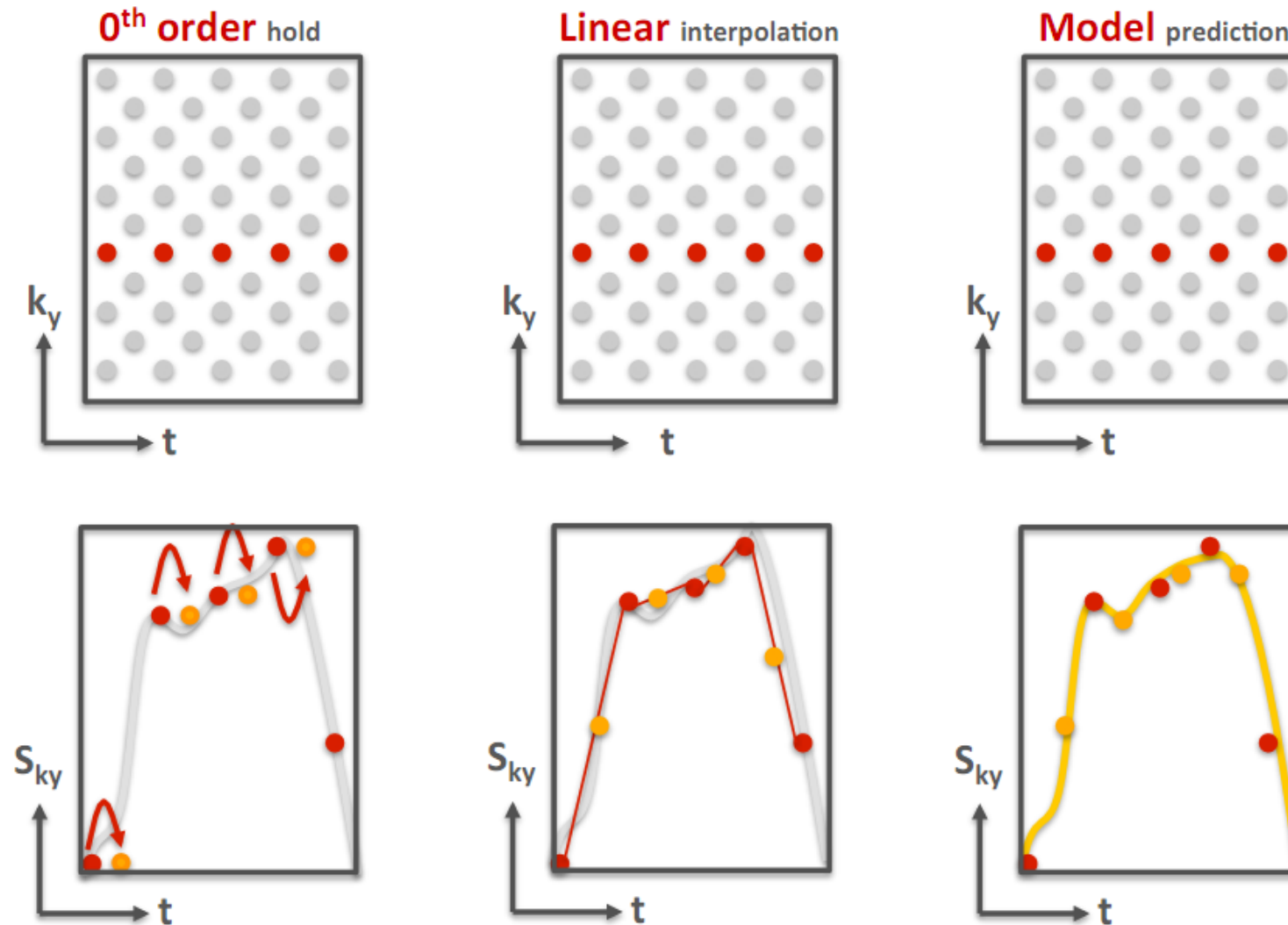
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GRAPPA

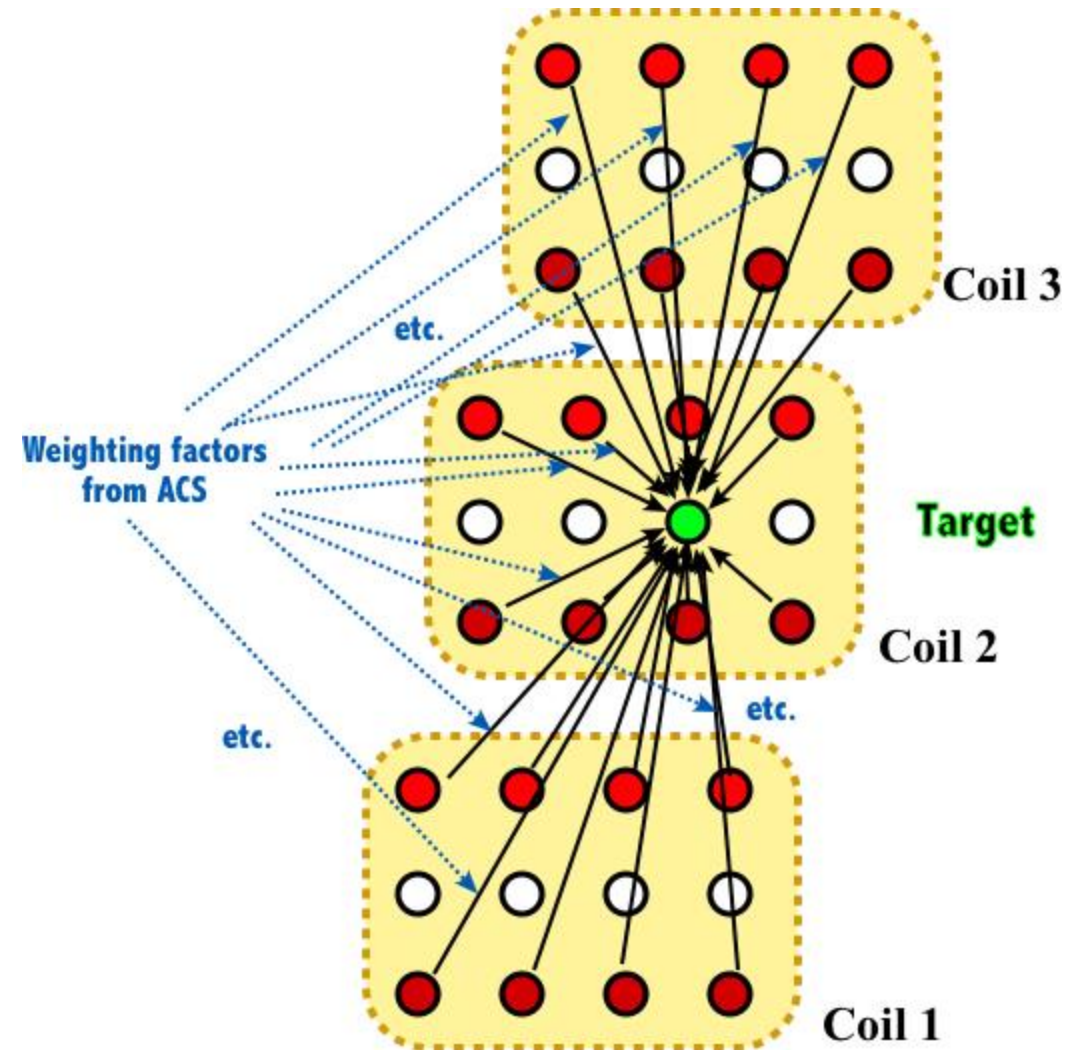
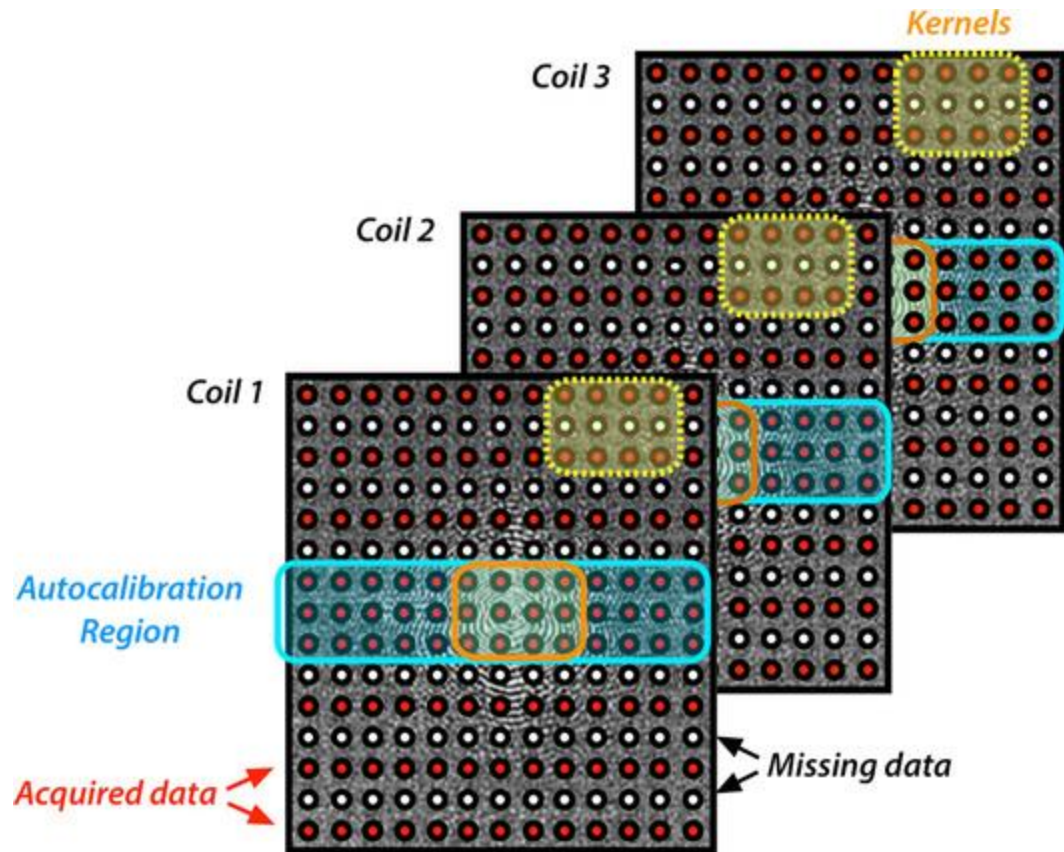
GRAPPA – interpolation in k-space



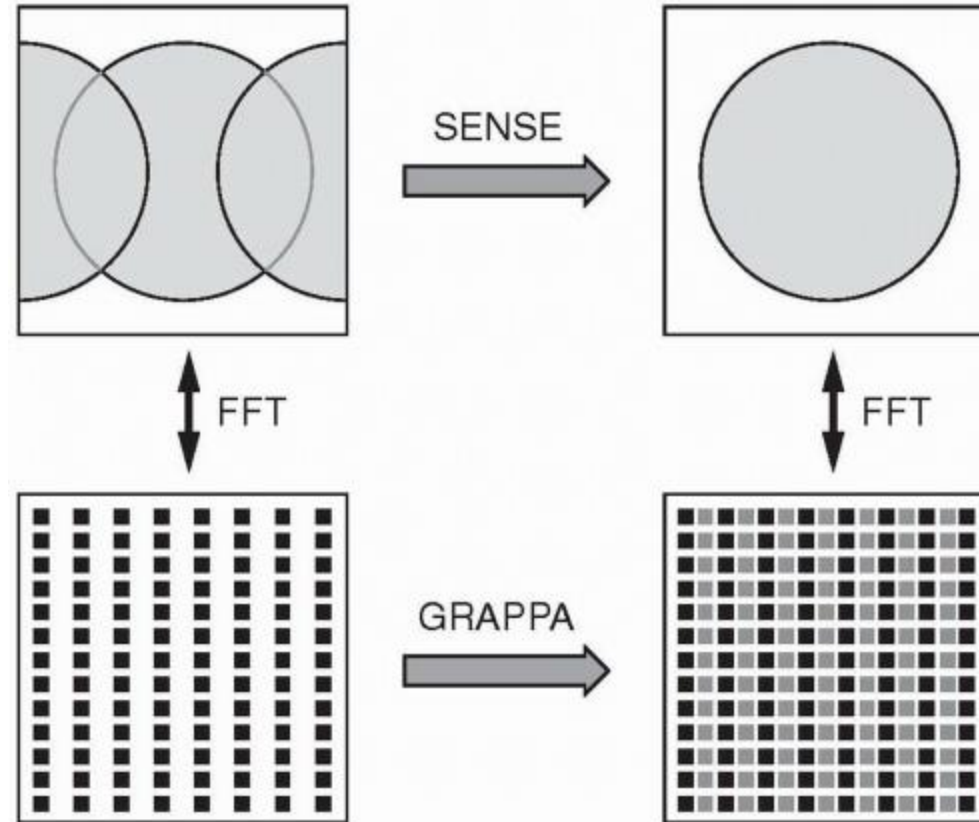
How to interpolate k-space?



GRAPPA – interpolation in k-space



SENSE vs GRAPPA



SENSE: Coils sensitivity profiles, reconstruction in image domain.
GRAPPA: Interpolation of k-space, reconstruction in k-space.

Parallel Imaging - applications

- Performing fast scans and thereby reducing motion artifacts
- Completion of scan in a breath hold
- Higher temporal resolution for dynamic scans
- Reduction of susceptibility artifacts by EPI sequences
- Higher spatial resolution at the same scan time
- Fewer RF pulses and thus reduction of SAR
- SENSE (image) or GRAPPA (k-space) method

Compressed Sensing

Compressed Sensing

1. K-space sampling

Undersampling + incoherent sampling

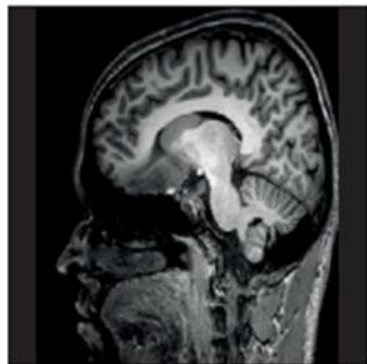
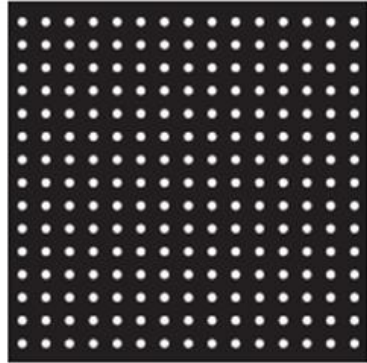
2. Wavelet transformation

Sparsity in data

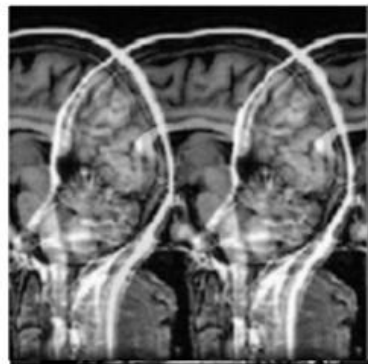
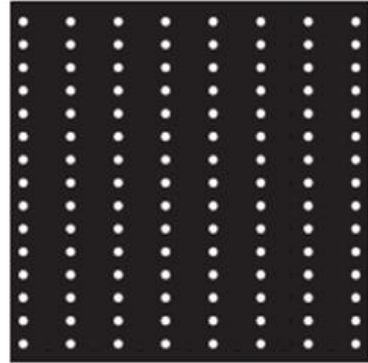
Filtering

3. Iterative reconstruction

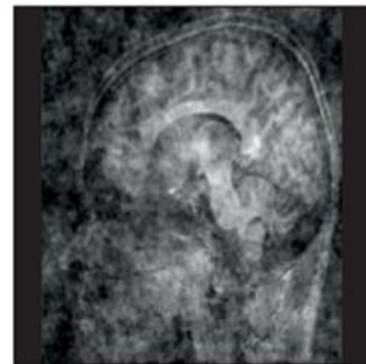
1. K-space sampling



All samples



Uniform
Undersampling

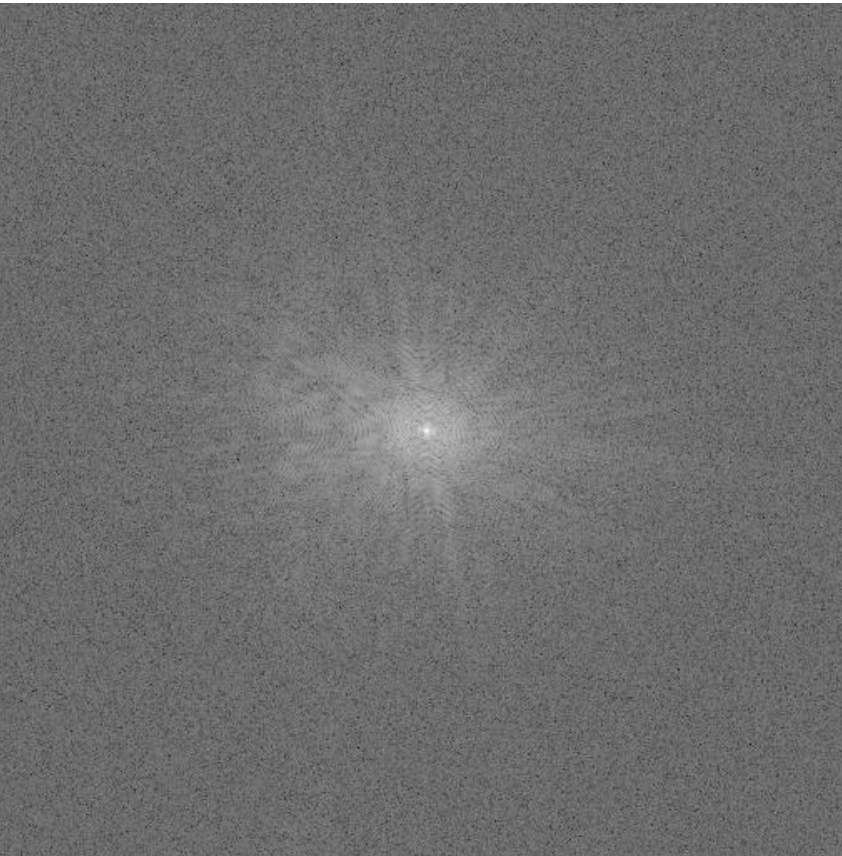


"Incoherent"
Undersampling



"Incoherent"
Undersampling,
Increased density at centre

2. Wavelet transformation



k-space

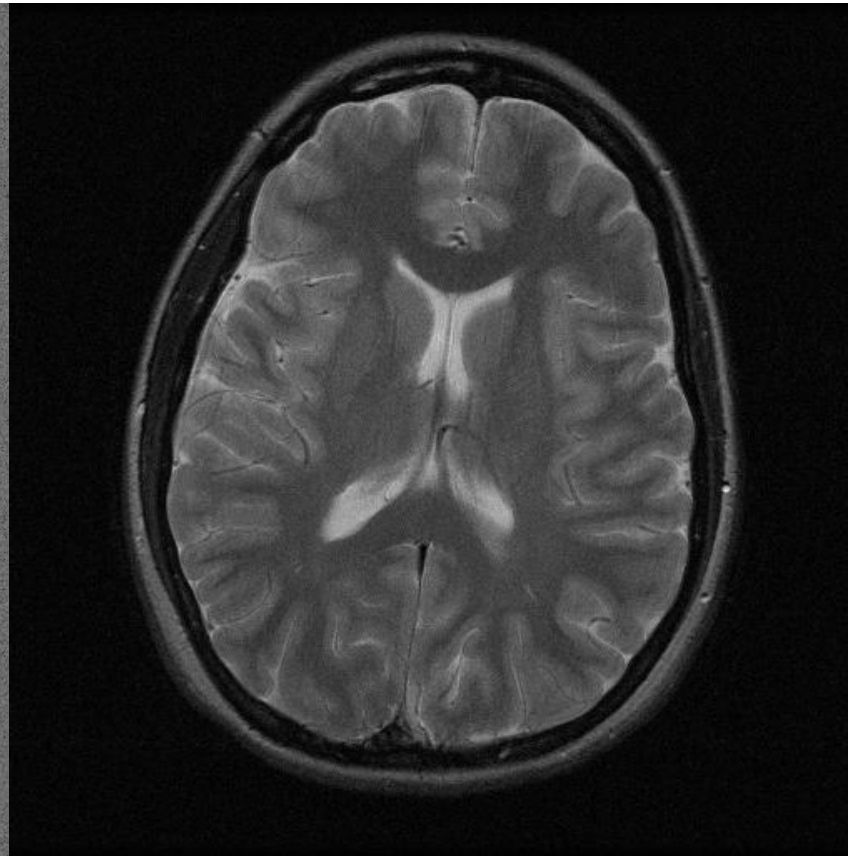
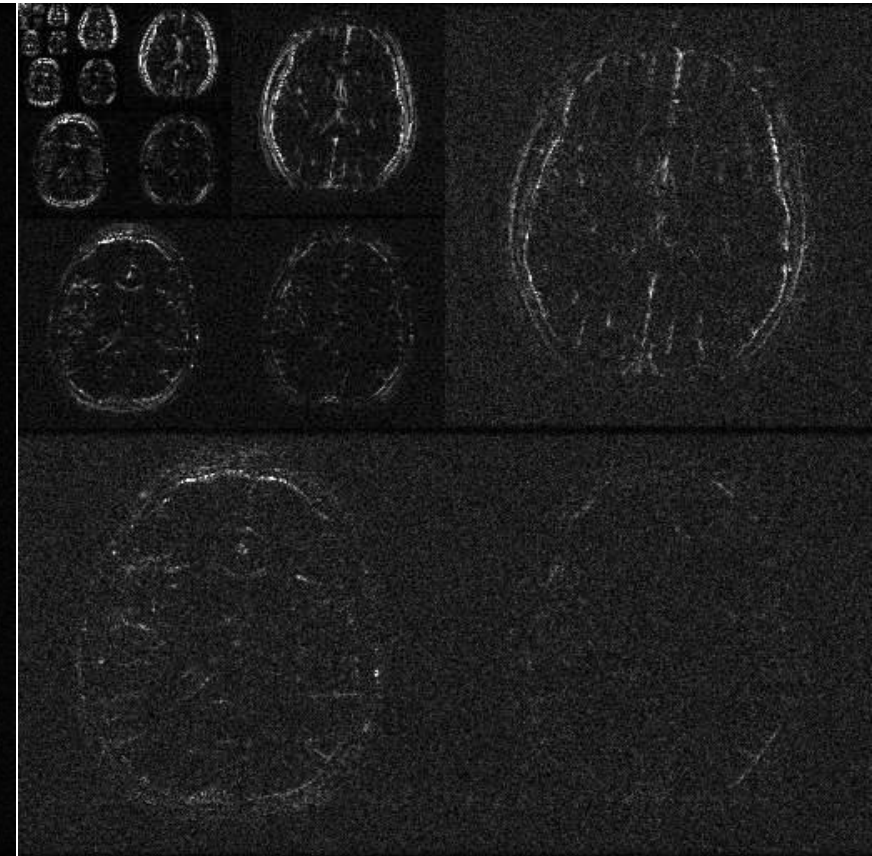
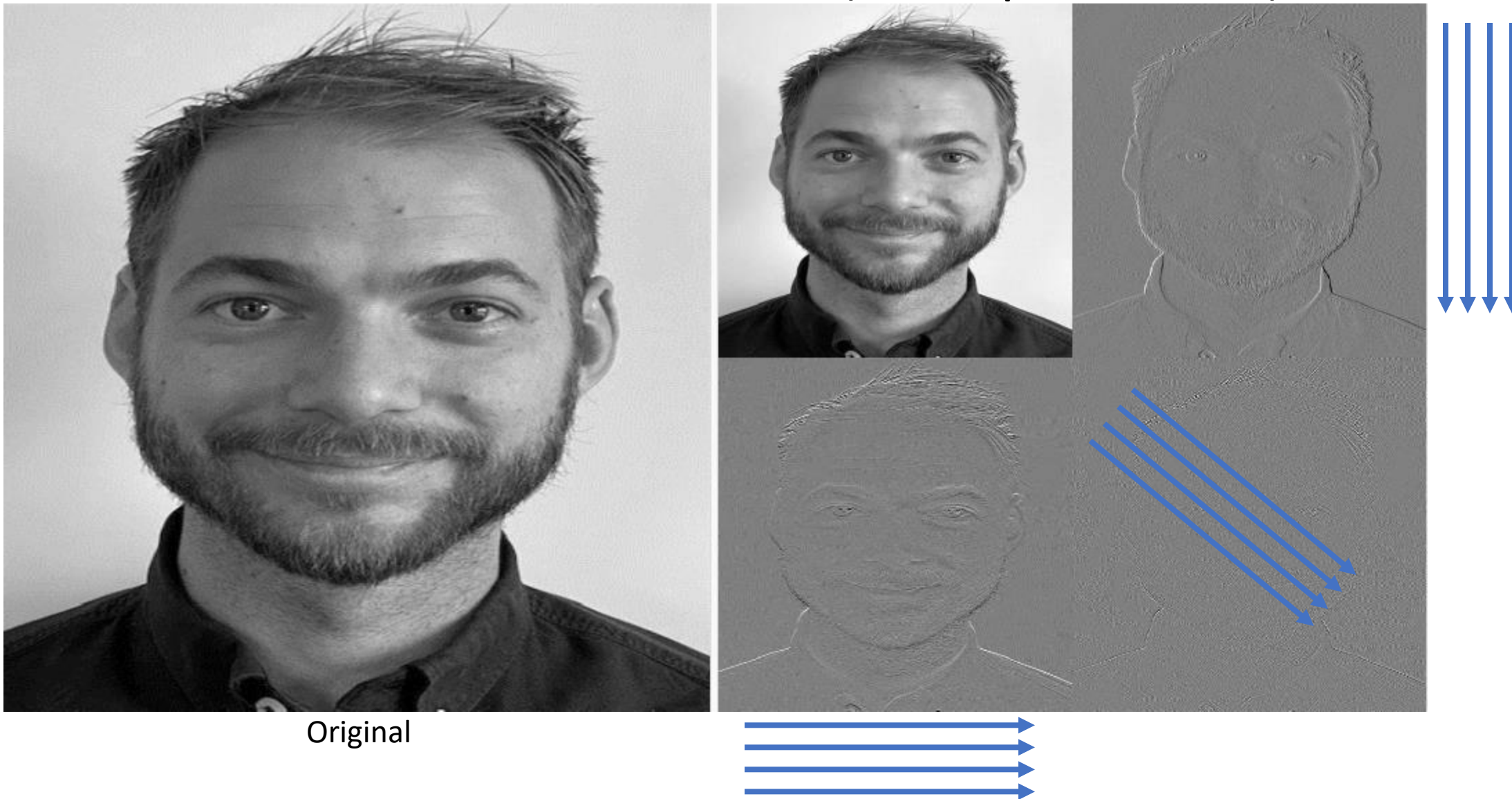


Image domain

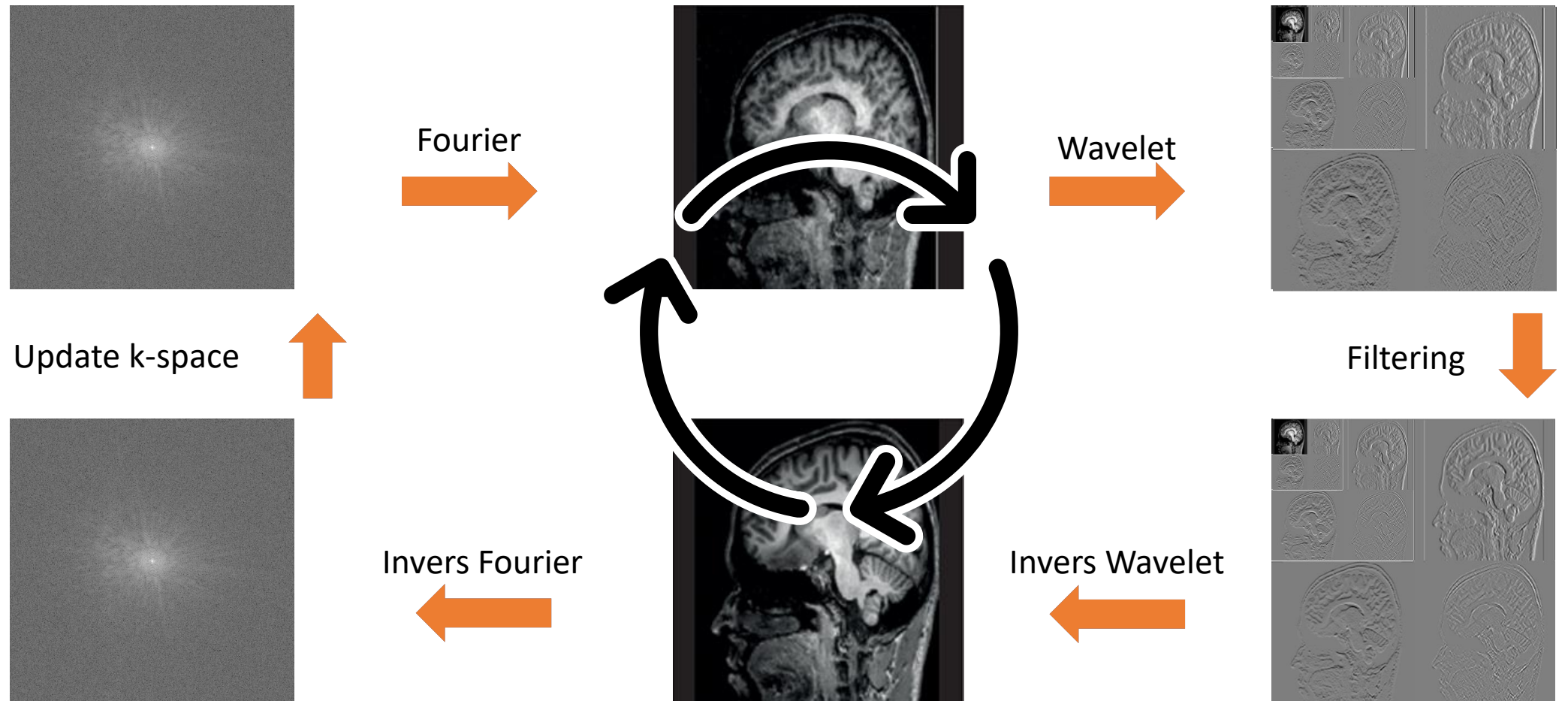


Wavelet

2. Wavelet transformation (components)



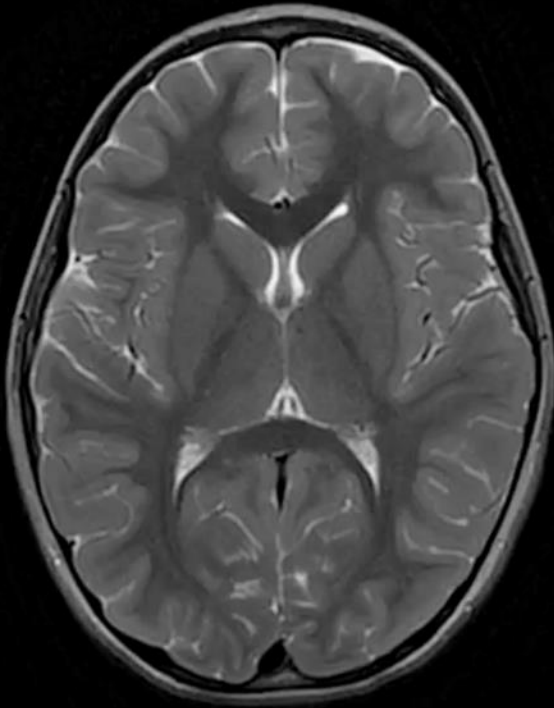
3. Iterative reconstruction



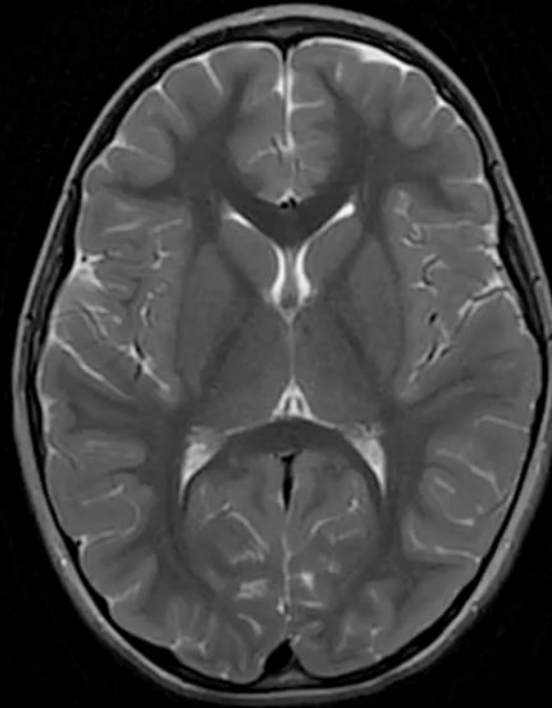
Encoding, De-noising, & Sparsity-enforcing regularization



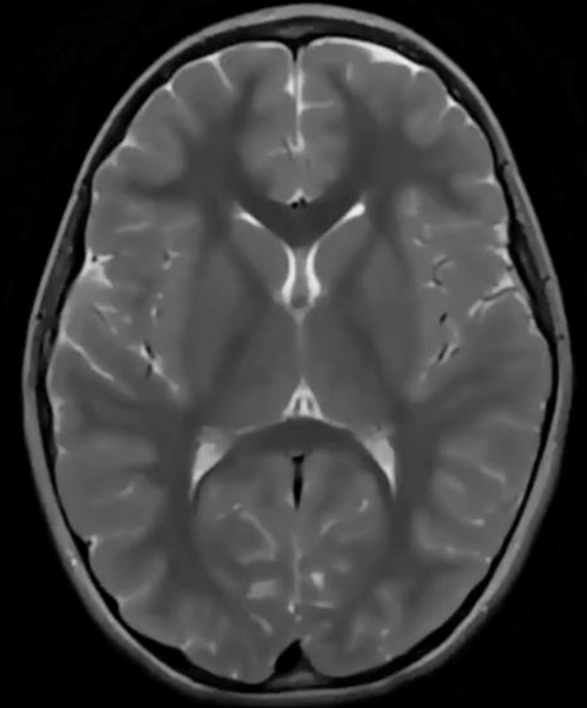
Original



CS image good



CS image bad



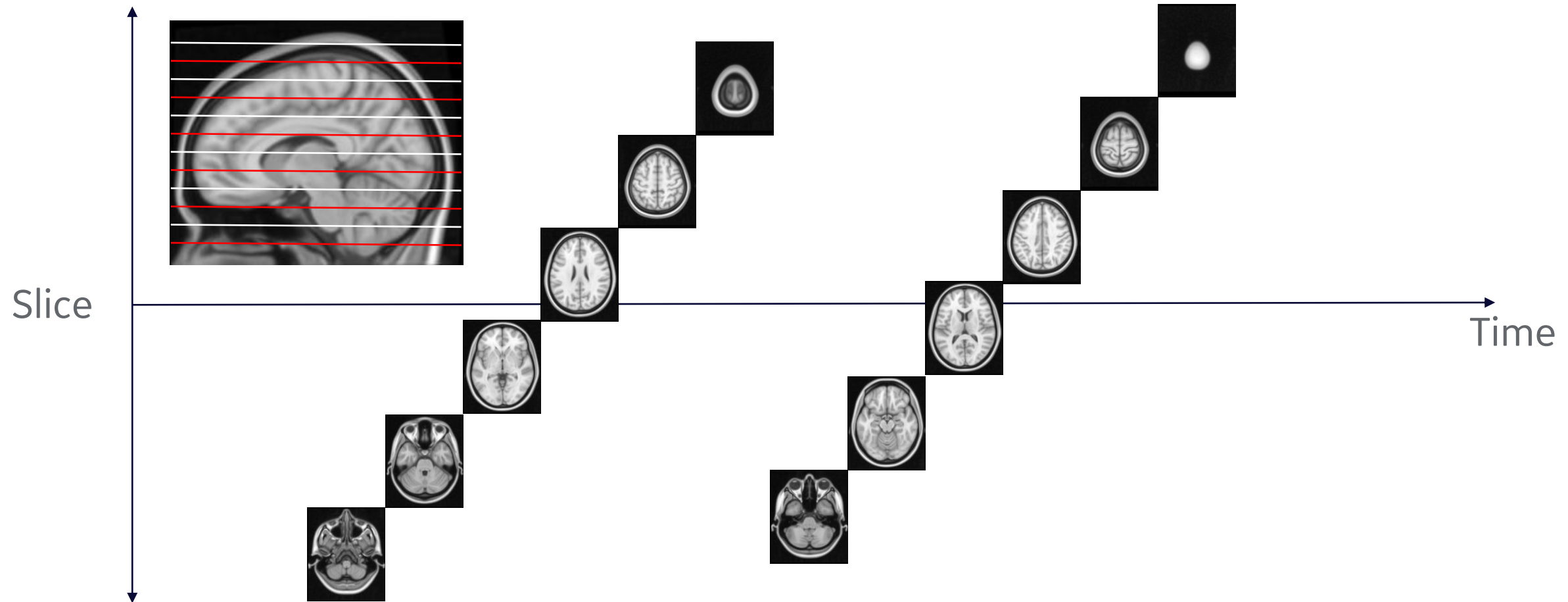
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Compressed Sensing - applications

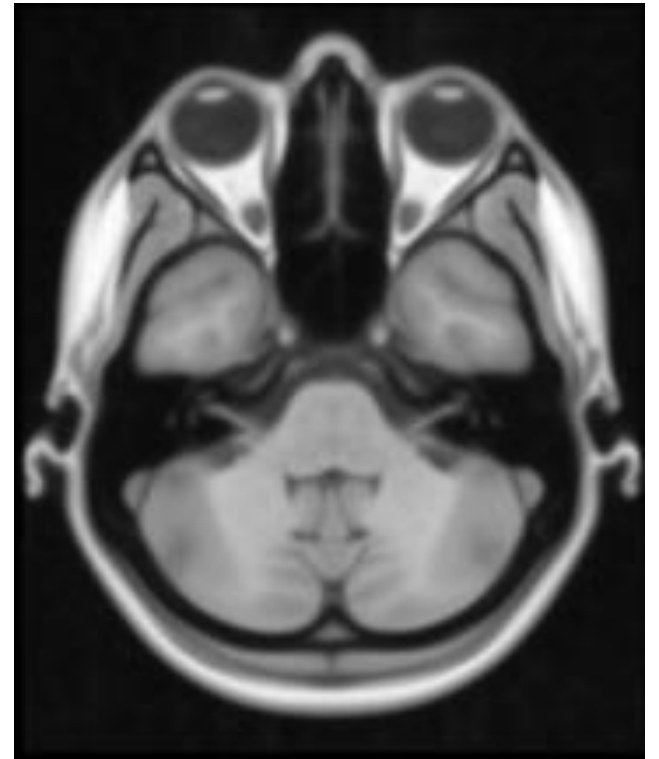
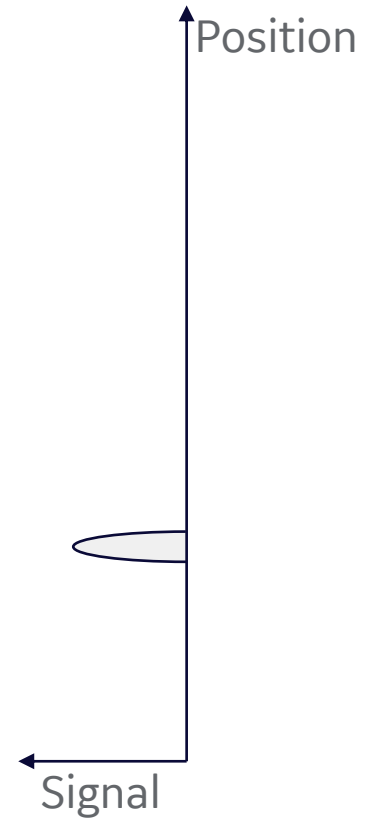
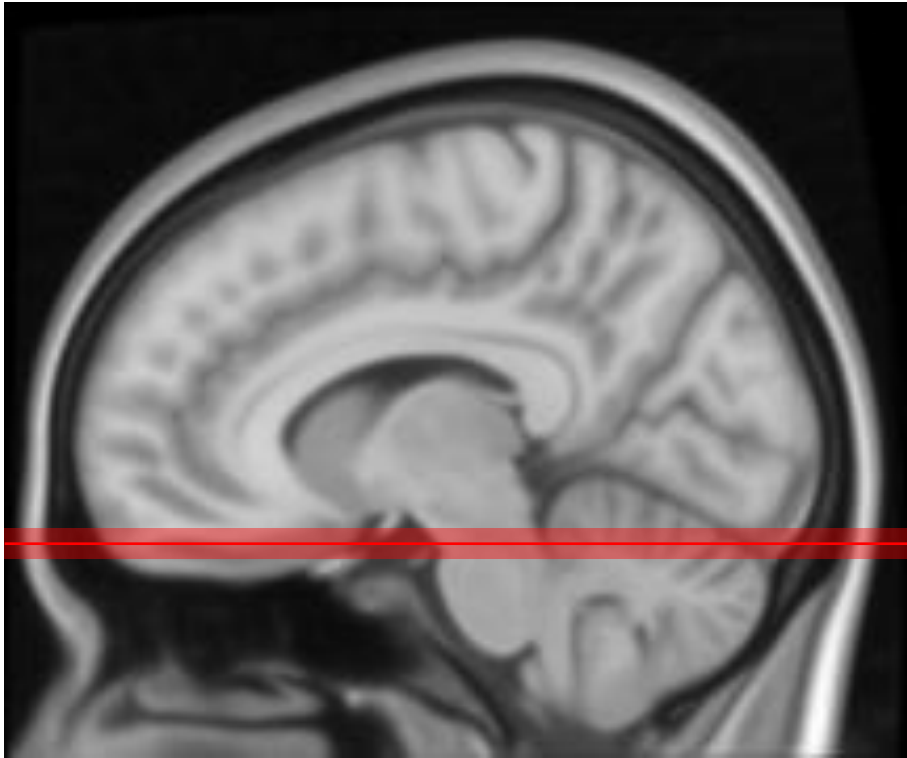
- Faster image acquisition
- Better image quality
- Can be used for all anatomical areas
- Can be used in both 2D and 3D sequences, but not EPI
- Faster breath hold / dynamic images

Multiplex

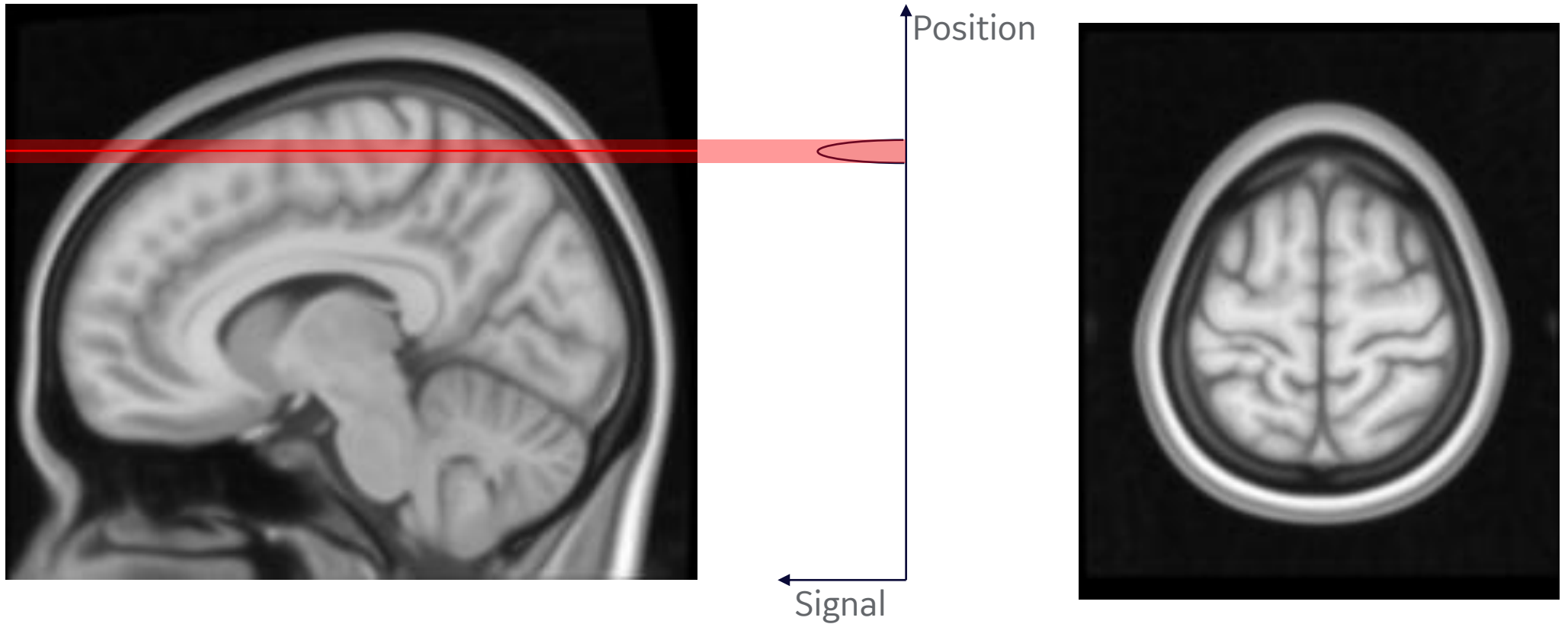
Conventional interleaved acquisition



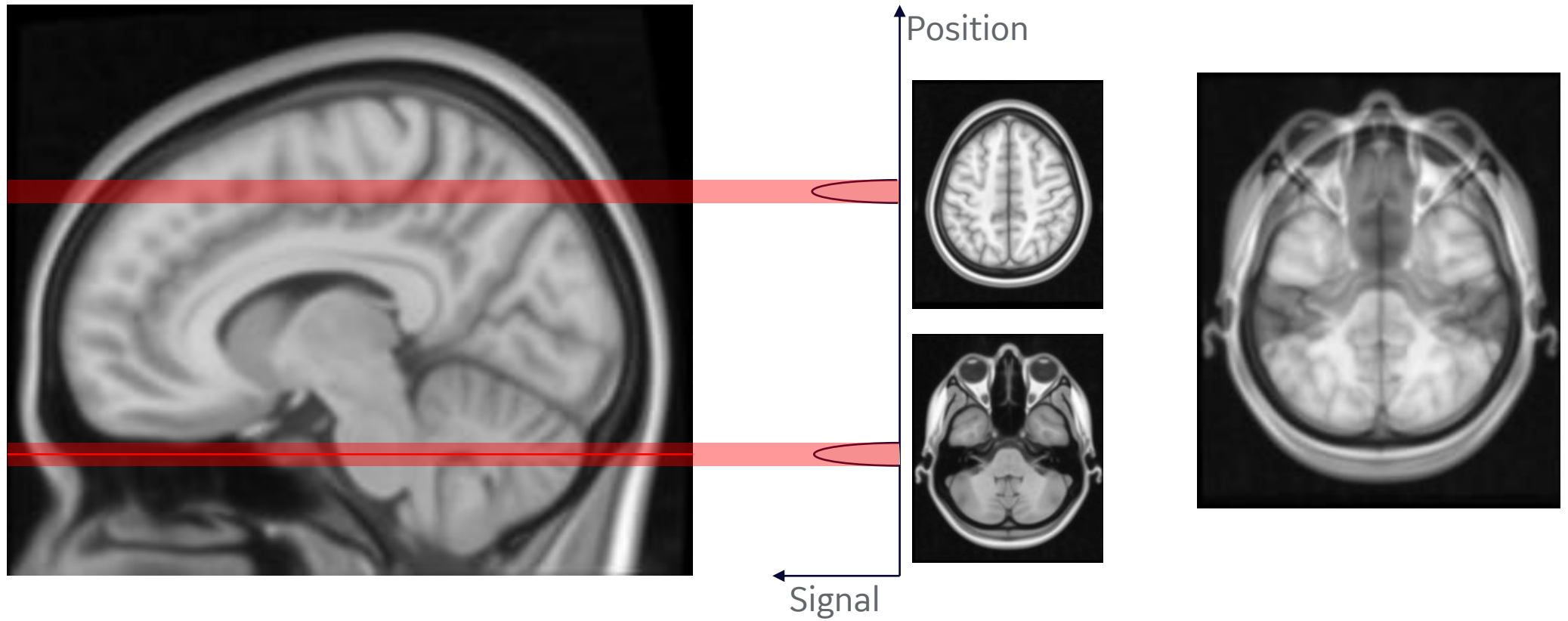
Conventional acquisition



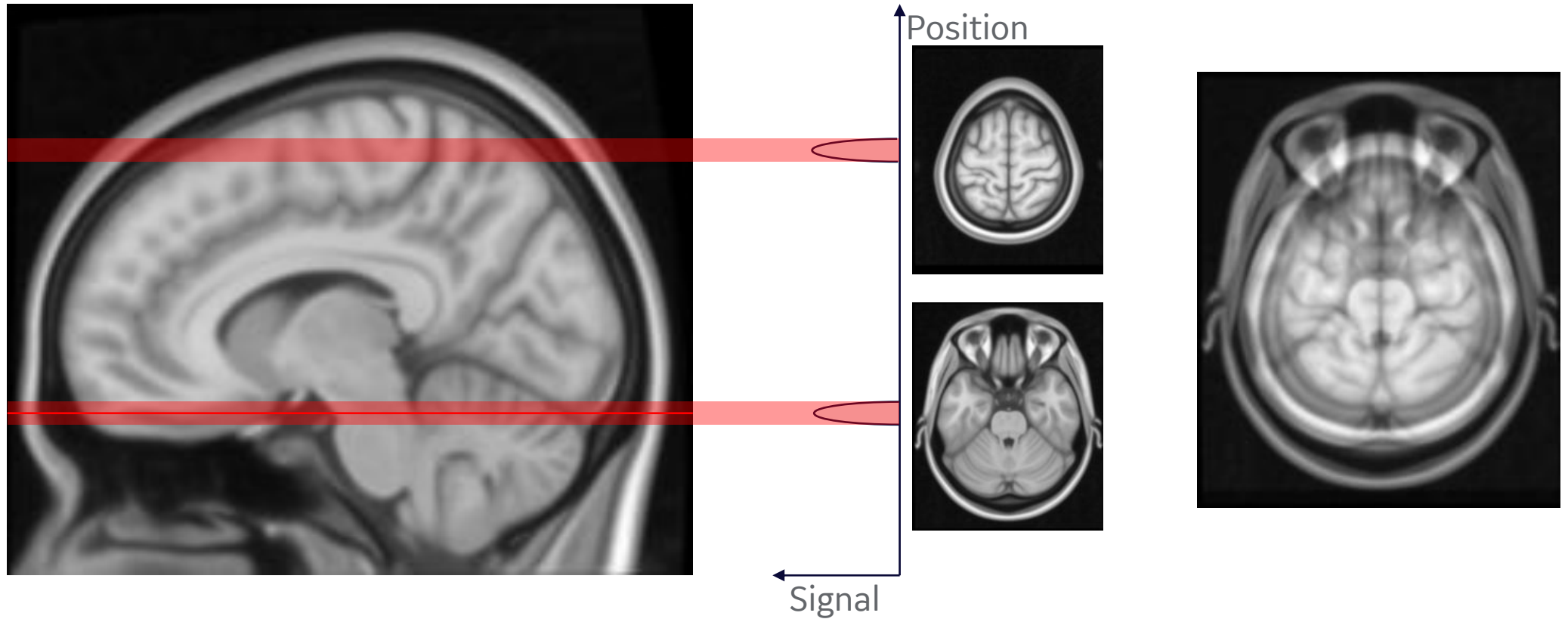
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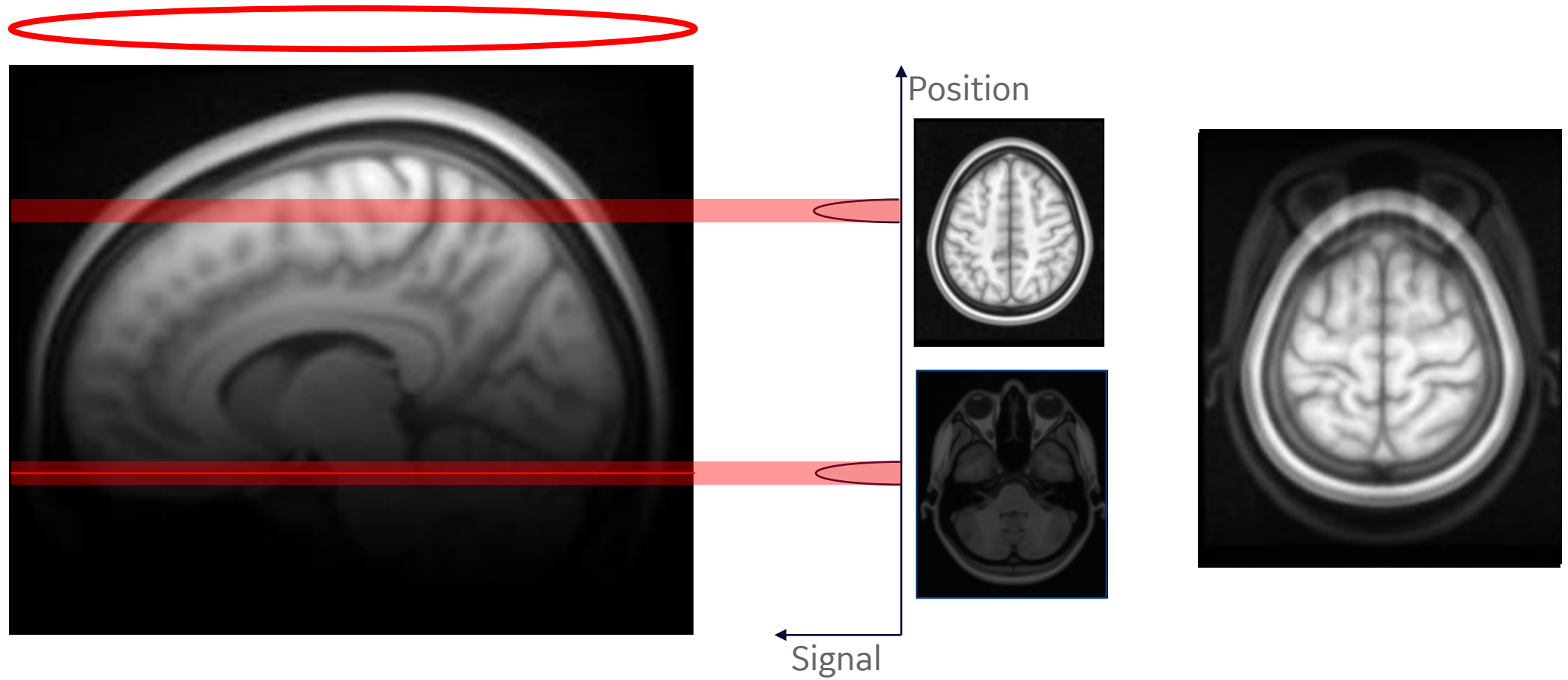
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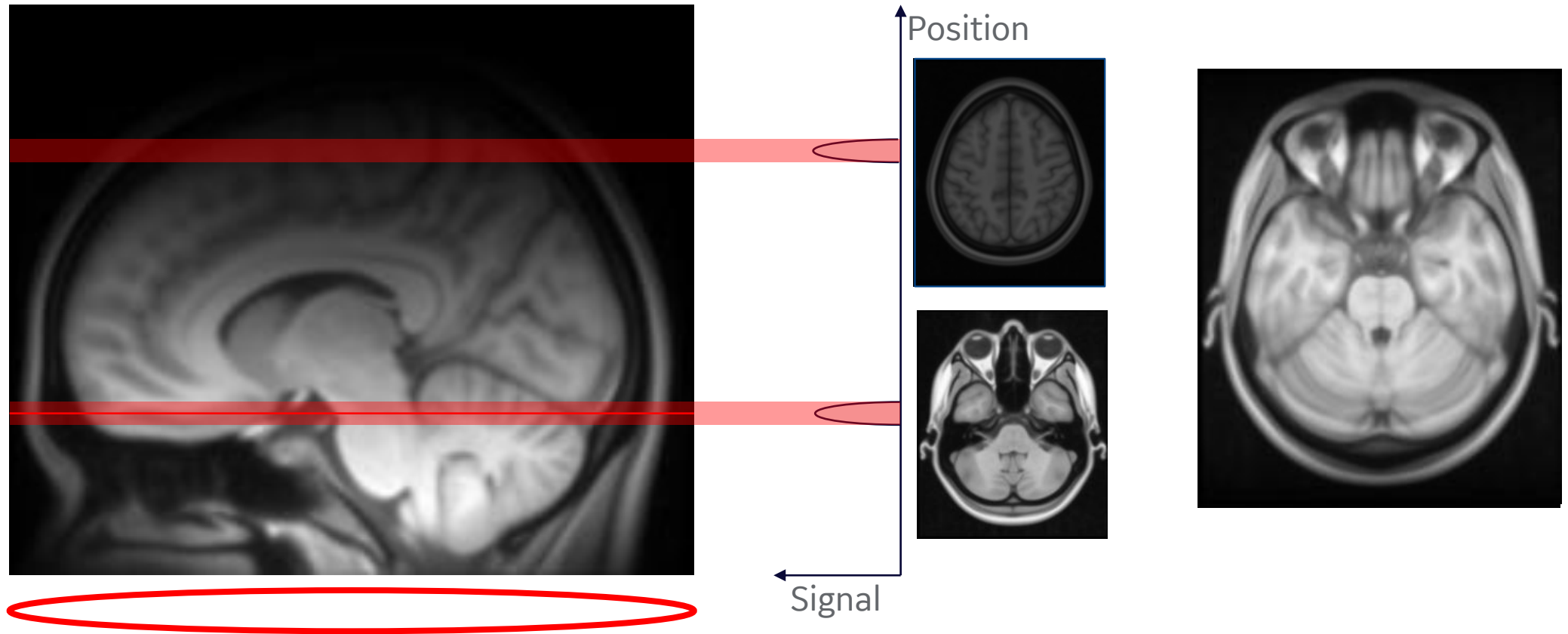
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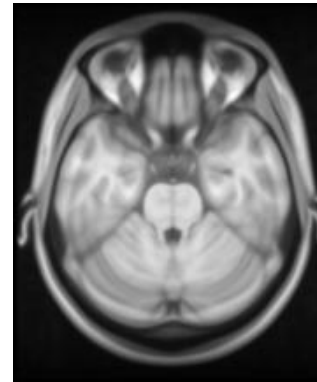
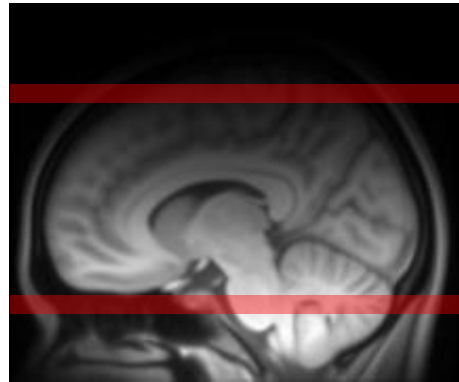
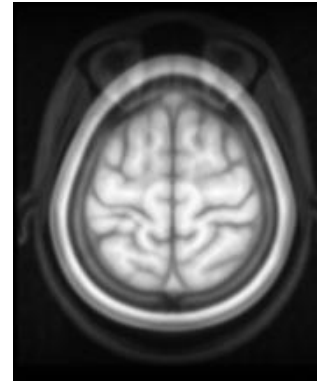
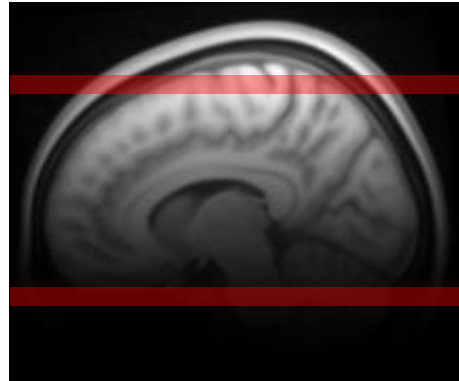
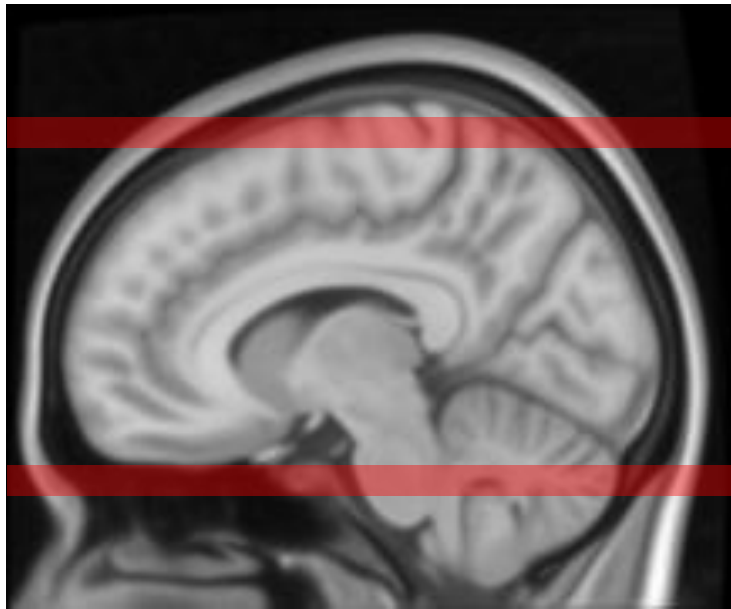
Coil element no. 1



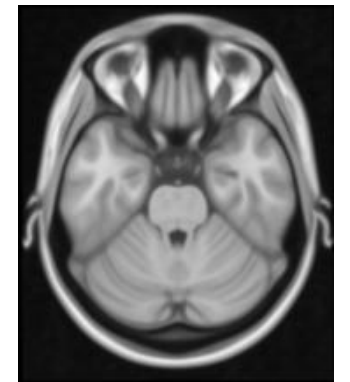
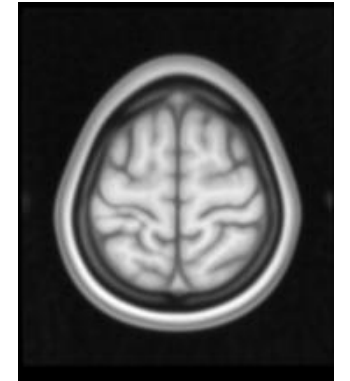
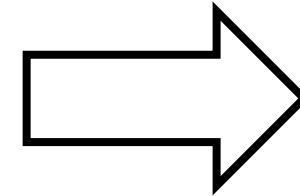
Coil element no. 2



Coil element no. 1 + no. 2

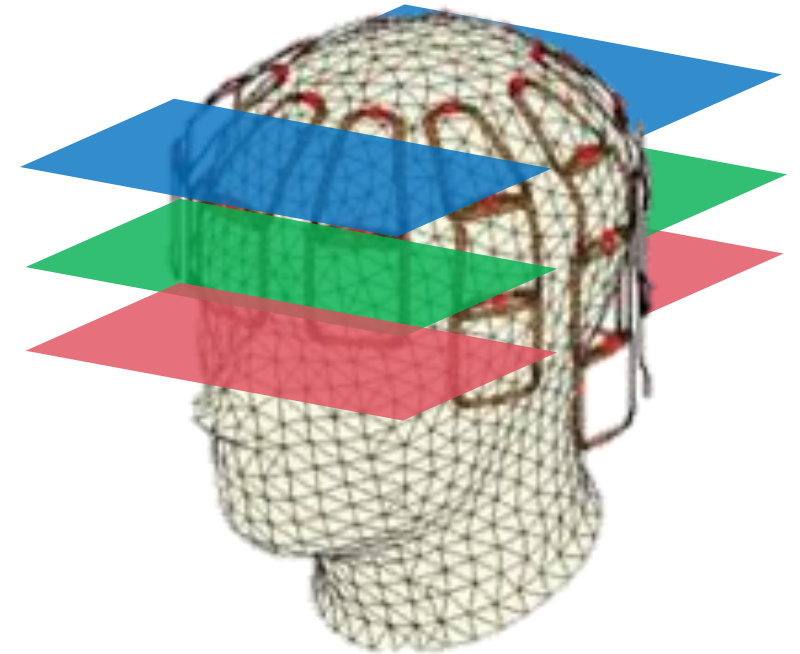


Reconstruction



Multiplex - applications

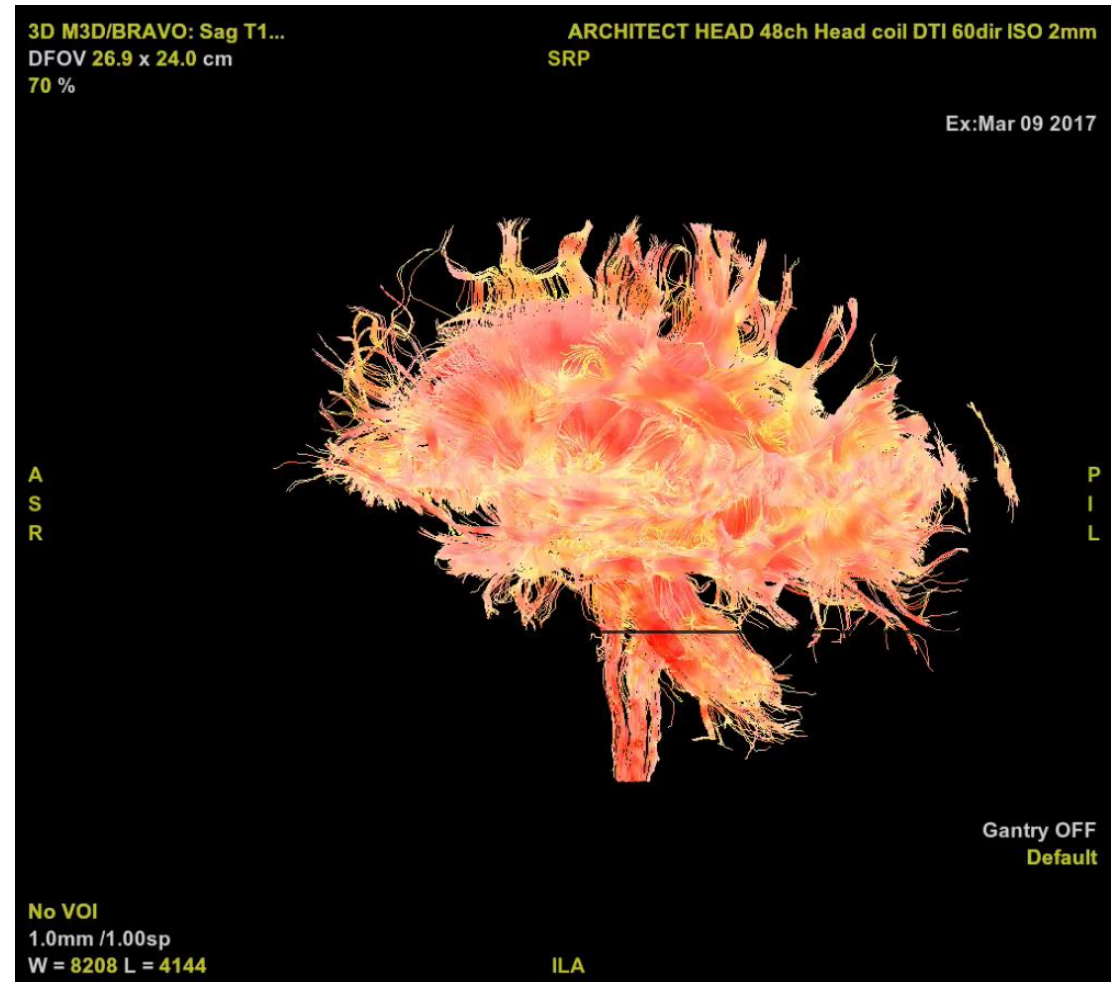
- More slices per. excitation
- Uses coil sensitivity for separation
- 1.5-3 acceleration without loss of SNR
- Can be combined with Parallel Imaging
- Reduces scan time by e.g.:
 - Multiple slices
 - Fewer NEX
 - Fewer recordings



Multiplex – why in diffusion?

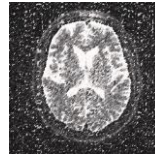
- Multiple shells (b-values)
- Scan efficiency
- Higher resolution
- Isotropic solution
- Thinner slices
 - All in one TR
 - Larger z-FOV

SIGNA™ Architect 3.0T
48 channel Head coil
b-value 1000
HyperBand factor = 2
ARC = 2
Voxels = 2.00mm isotropic
Number of diffusion directions = 60
Number of b-0 volumes = 8
Total scan time = 8 minutes



Hyperpolarized applications

Hyperpolarized applications



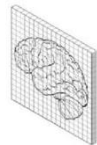
SNR

Thermal polarisation

$$\text{SNR} \propto \frac{\Delta V}{\sqrt{BW}} \sqrt{N}$$

Hyperpolarisation

$$\text{SNR} \propto \frac{\Delta V}{\sqrt{BW} \sqrt{N}} \frac{1 - \cos^N(\alpha)}{1 - \cos(\alpha)}$$

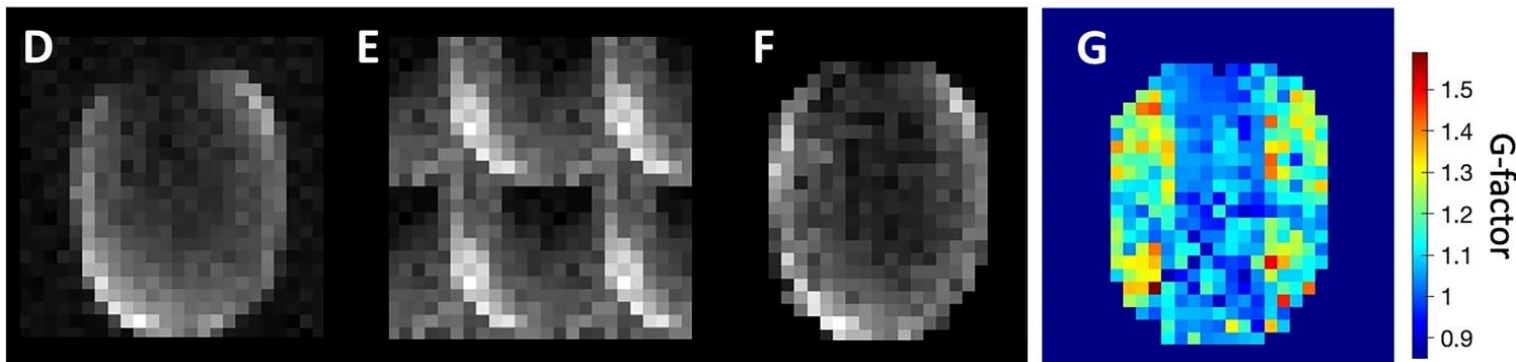
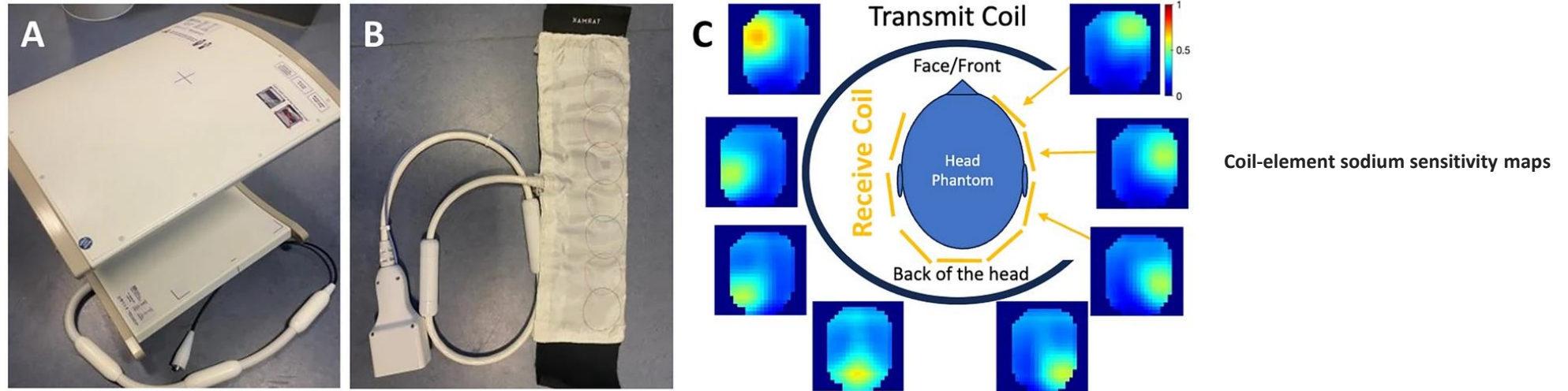


Resolution
(ΔV)



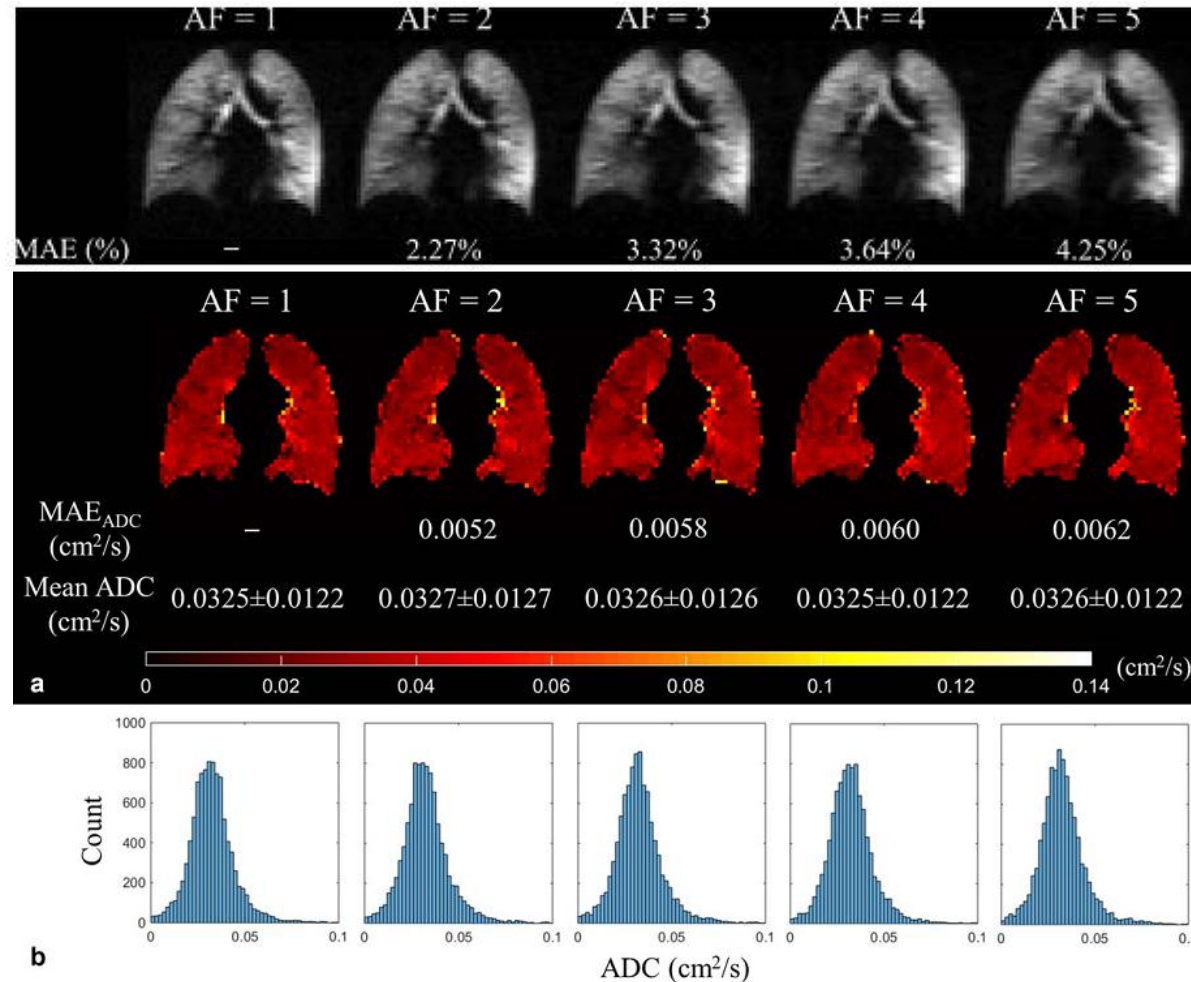
Scan time
(N)

SENSE w. ^{23}Na map in HP ^{13}C imaging



(D) Fully sampled ^{13}C image. (E) Under sampled ^{13}C image. (F) Under sampled SENSE reconstructed image.

Compressed sensing to facilitated single-breath 3D multiple b-value ^{129}Xe DW-MRI acquisitions



A photograph of a wooden boardwalk winding through a dense forest. The boardwalk is made of wooden planks and curves through tall grasses and various green plants. The forest is filled with many thin, vertical tree trunks and a thick canopy of green leaves. The lighting is bright, suggesting a sunny day.

**Thank you
For your attention**