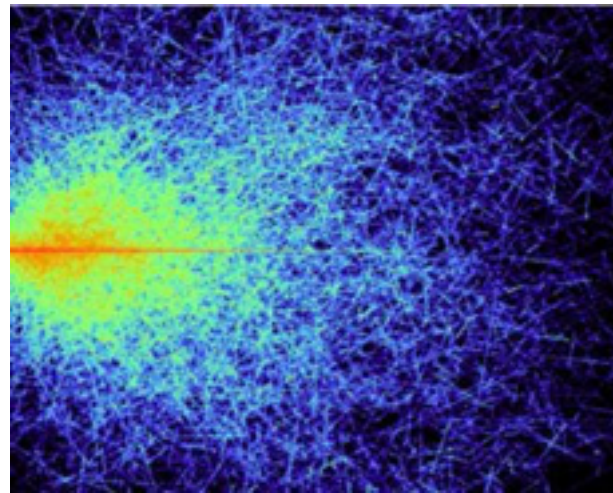


*Random matrix advances in large dimensional statistics and machine learning*  
*GdR MEGA / GdR ISIS, Paris,*  
*November 14th, 2017*



## **Wave propagation in strongly scattering materials : Harvesting random matrices for large-scale machine learning**

Laurent Daudet, Paris Diderot University & LightOn

A combination of expertise from:

- optics
- signal processing
- optimization / machine learning



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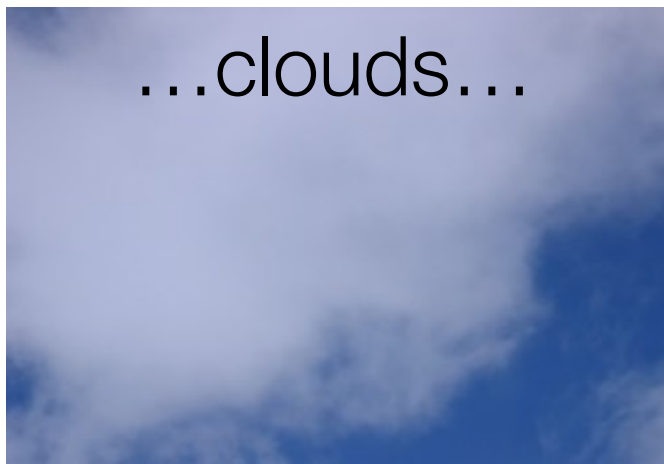
and Antoine Liutkus, David Martina, Sébastien Popoff, Gilles Chardon, Boshra Rajaei,  
Angélique Drémeau, Ori Katz, Geoffroy Lerosey, Alaa Saade, Francesco Caltagirone ...

# Light scattering by diffusive materials

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Is part of our everyday experience :

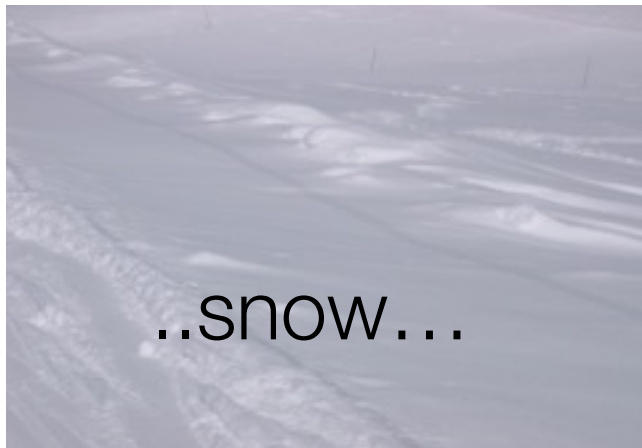
...clouds...



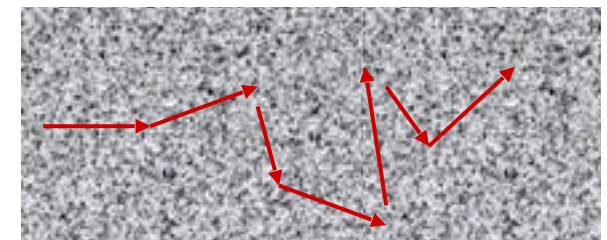
... human  
tissues...



..snow...



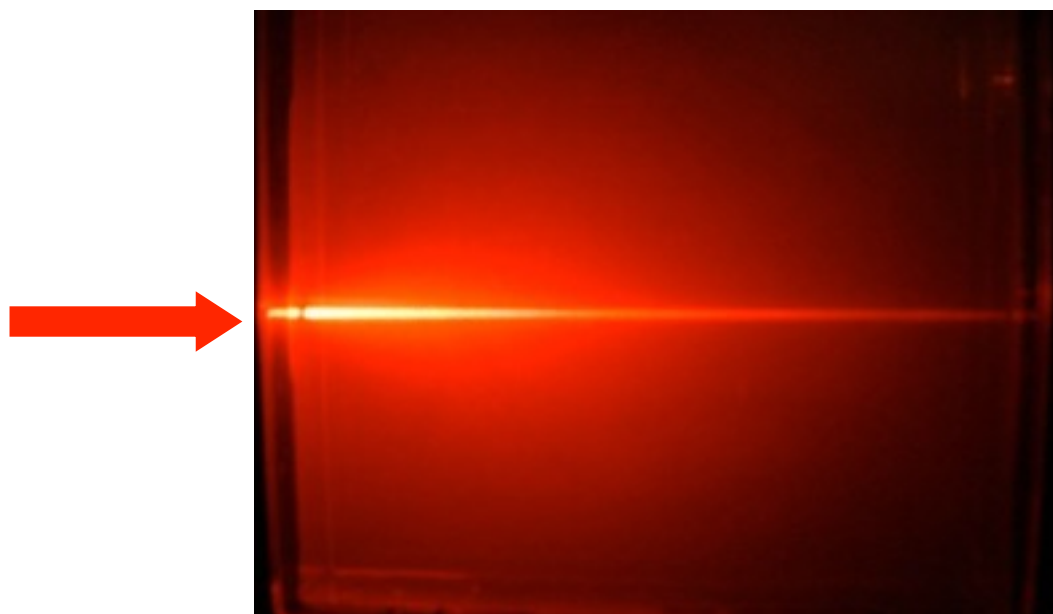
Origin: light is scattered  
by inhomogeneities



# Imaging in scattering media



Conventionally : information from only unscattered (*'ballistic'*) light



**Beer-Lambert Law: Exponential decay of the ballistic light**

→ No imaging beyond a few hundred microns in living tissues

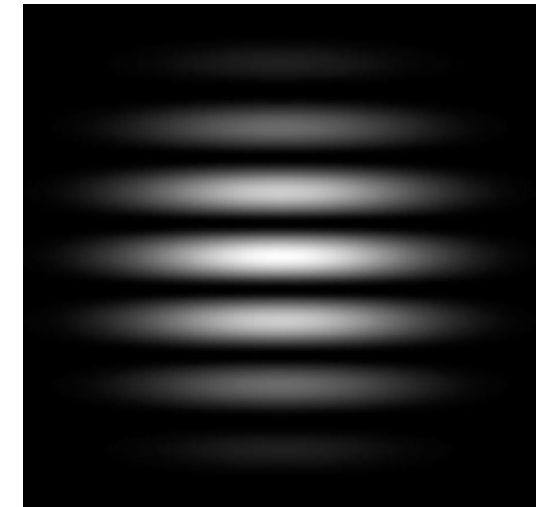
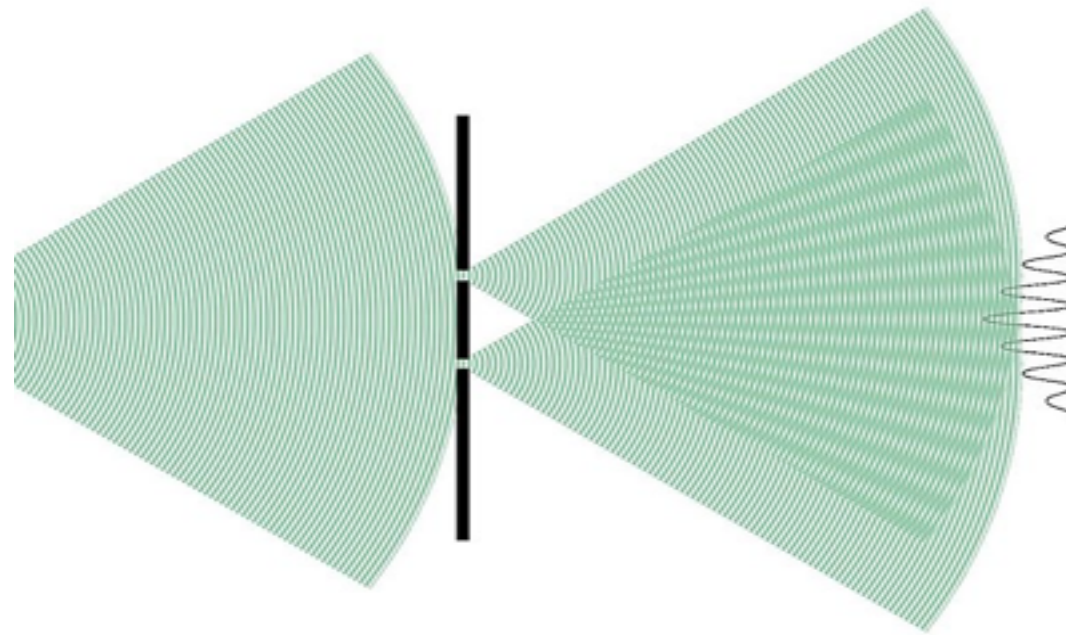
CAN WE GO DEEPER?






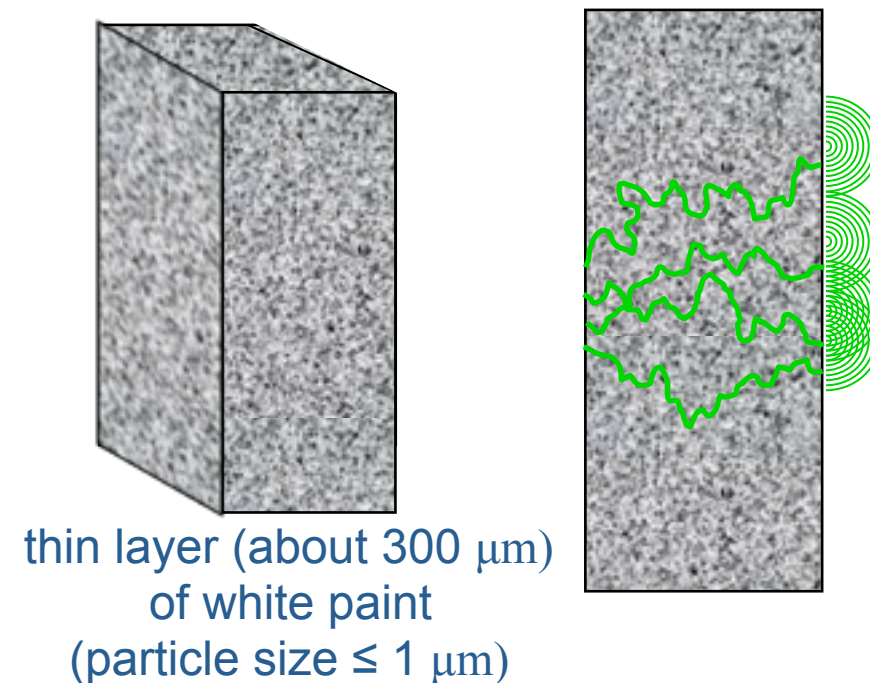
# Scattering : a coherent process

**Young's slit experiment:**  
two wave interference  
Fringes



Volume scattering:

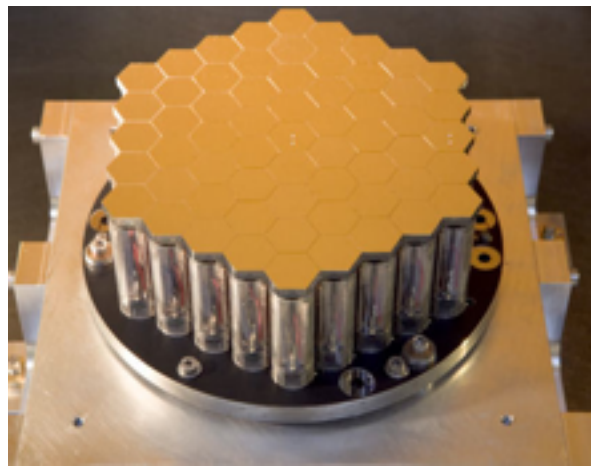
  
Coherent light  
(laser)



Speckle results from multiple interference  
between a multiplicity of random paths

# Wavefront shaping : the tool to study scattering

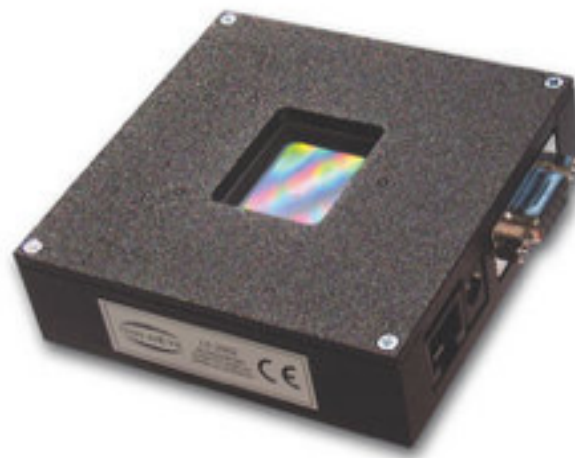
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Deformable mirrors

10-100 actuators  
moving: 10-20 microns  
Speed > kHz

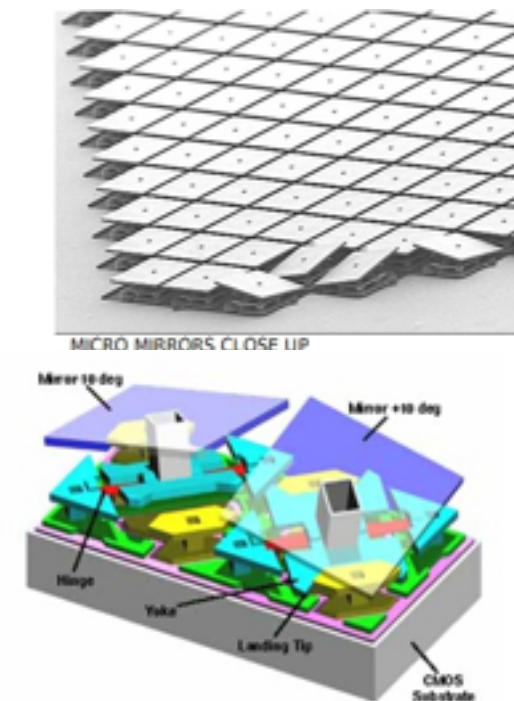
Adaptive optics



Spatial Light Modulators  
based on Liquid crystals

>1 million pixels  
Phase modulation at: 50Hz

Display



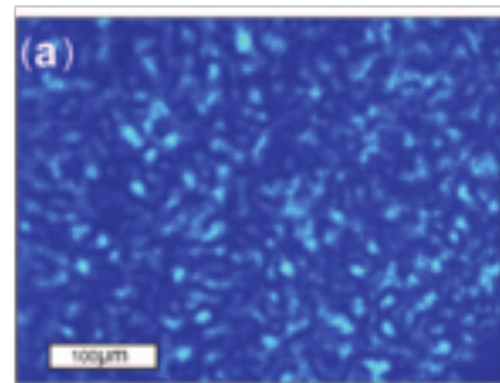
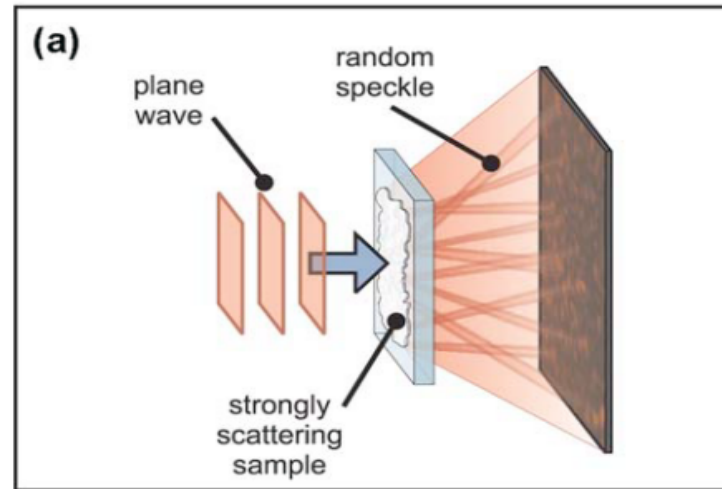
Spatial light modulators based on  
MEMS technology  
ex: Texas DLP/DMD

>1 million pixels  
binary ON/OFF at 20kHz

Display

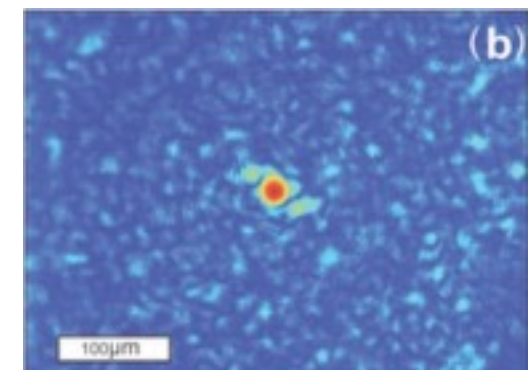
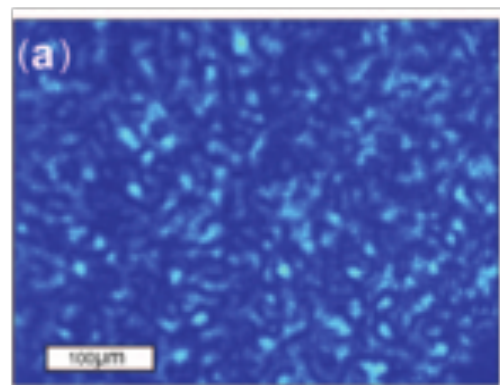
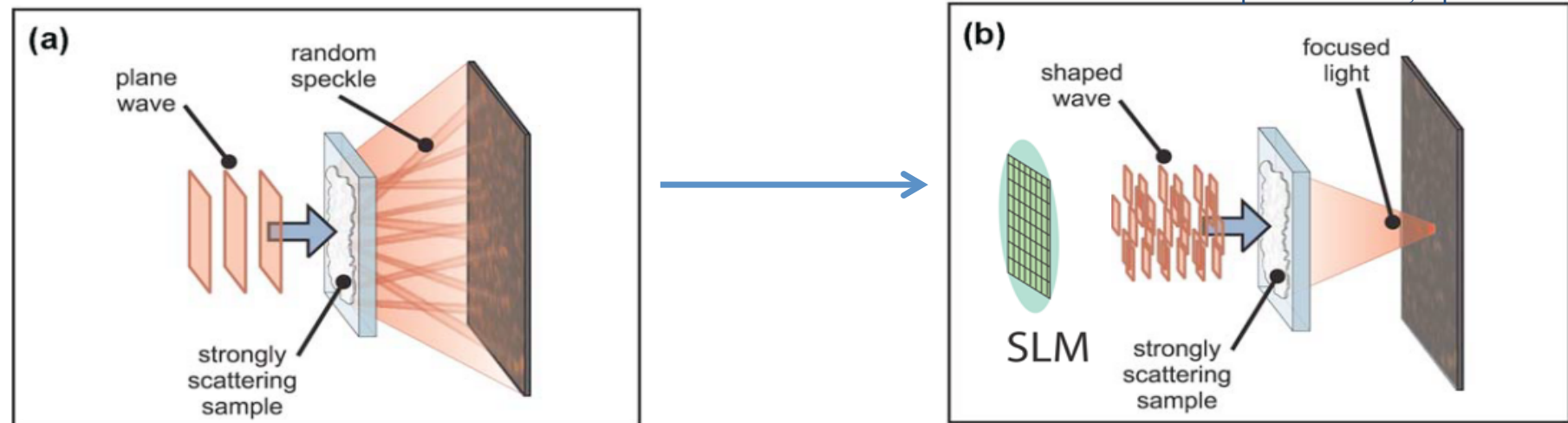
# Optimization for focusing through complex media

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IM Vellekoop and AP Mosk, Optics Letters, 32(16) 2007



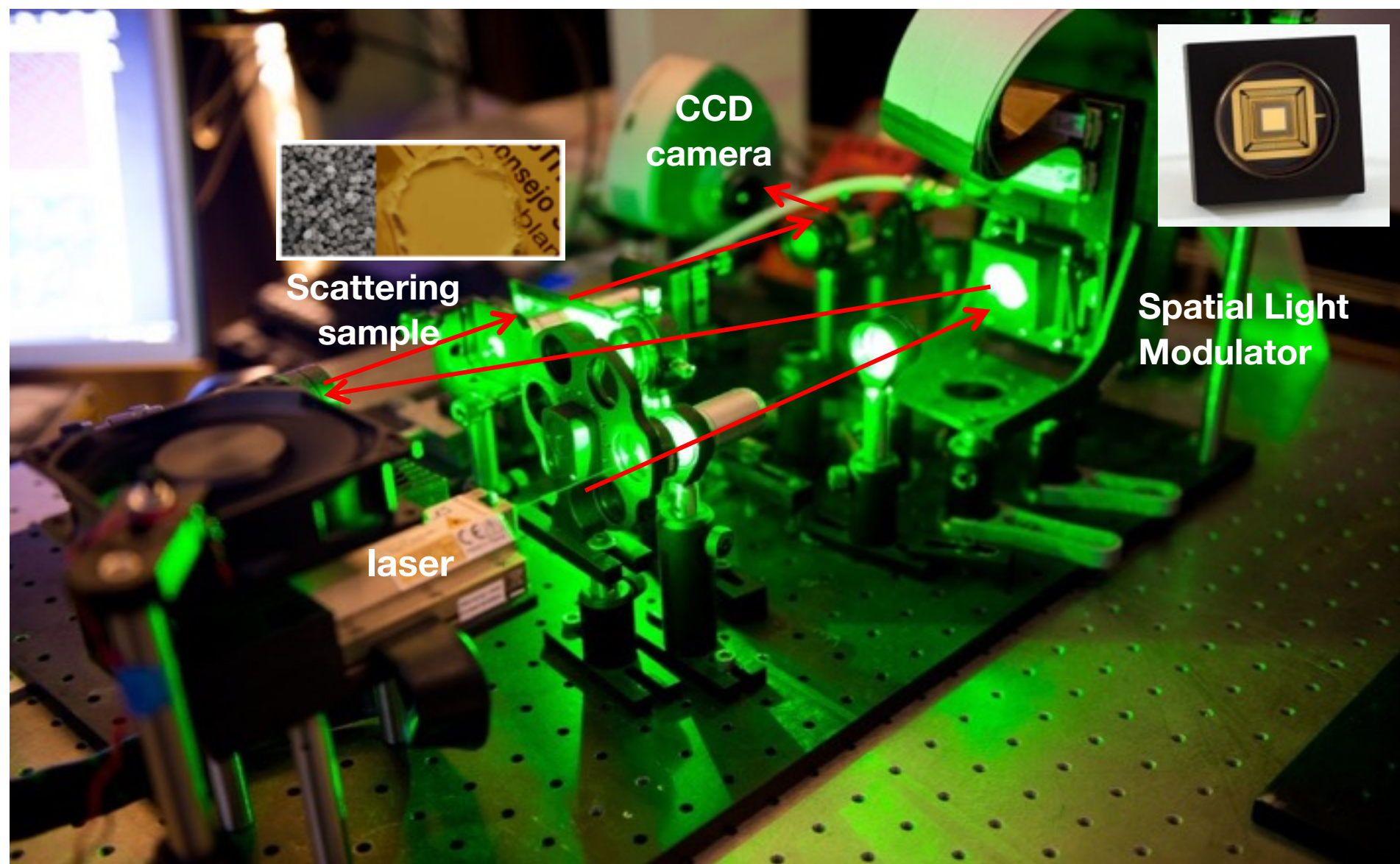
**It is possible to shape the incoming wavefront to obtain a constructive interference on a single speckle grain « turn paint into a lens »**



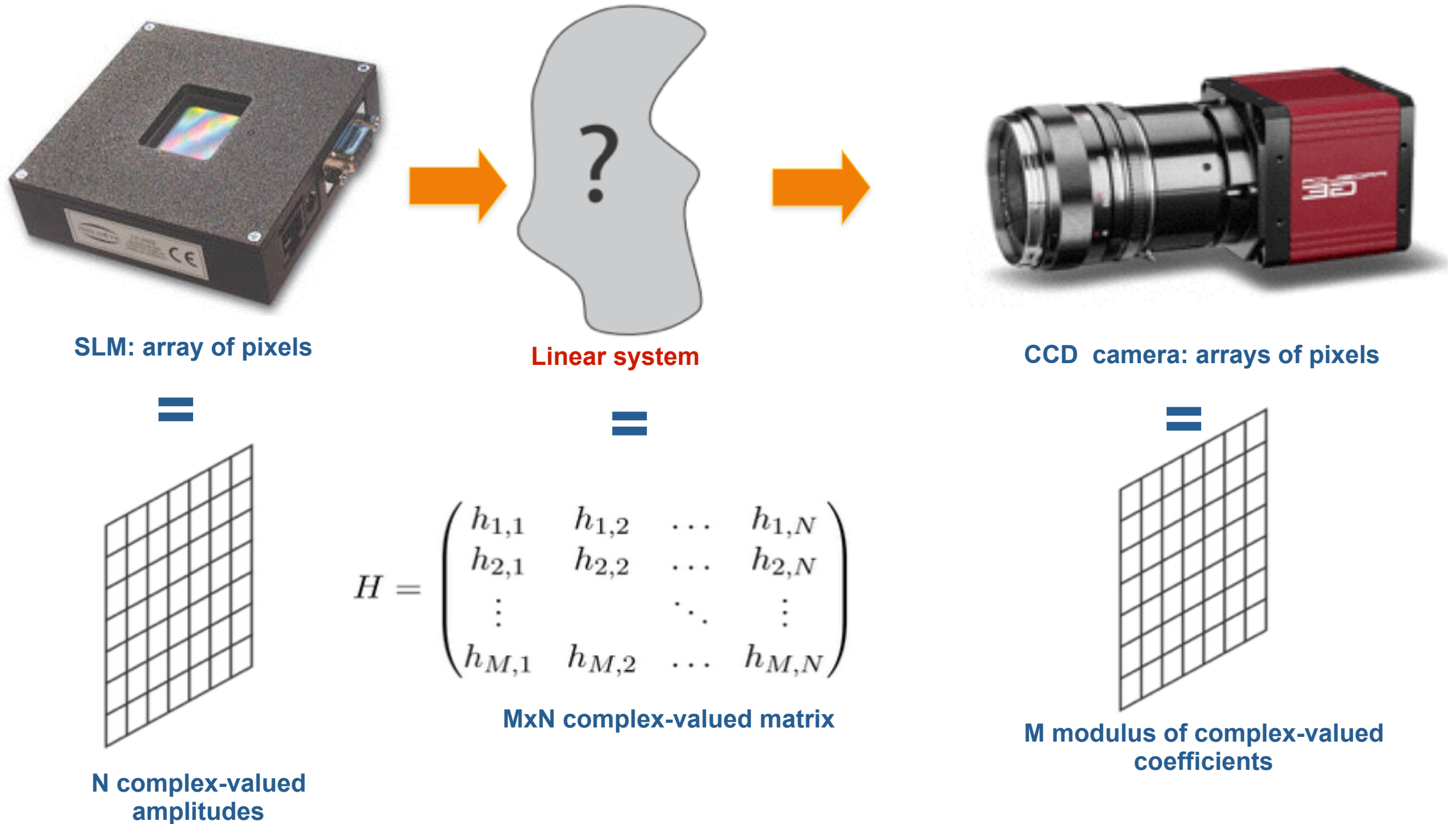
# Optimization for focusing through complex media

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in the lab of Sylvain Gigan - ENS / LKB



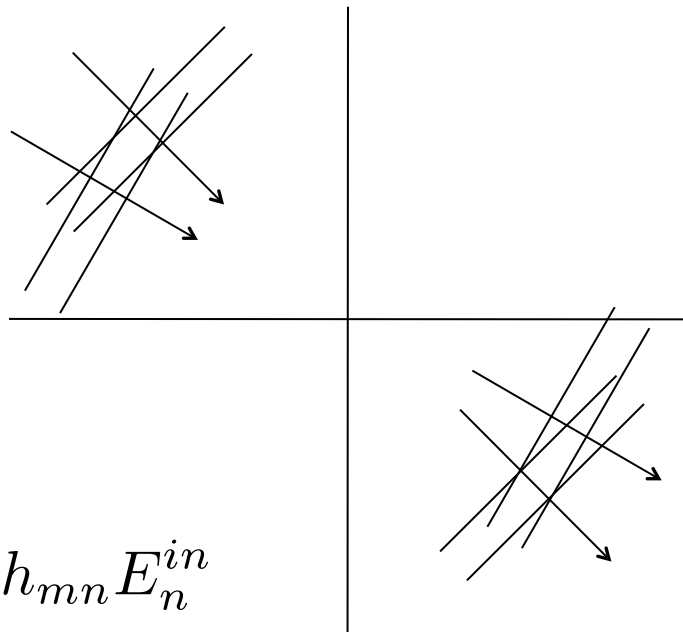
# A more general approach : the transmission matrix



$$|E_m^{out}| = \left| \sum_n h_{mn} E_n^{in} \right|$$

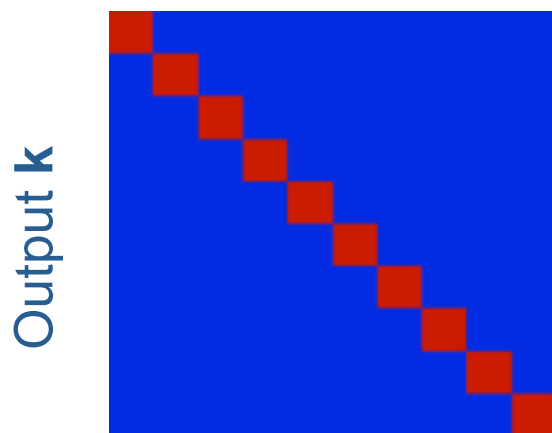
# A more general approach : the transmission matrix

**free  
field**

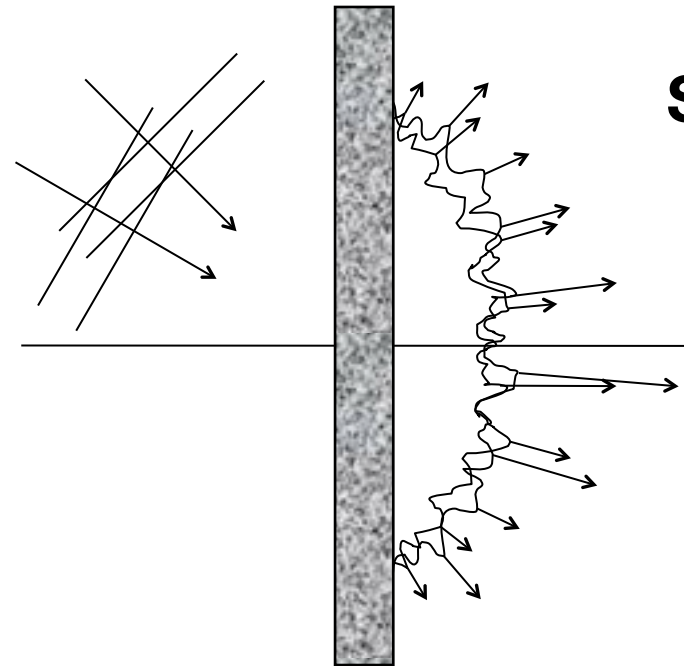


$$E_m^{out} = \sum_n^{1..N} h_{mn} E_n^{in}$$

Input **k**

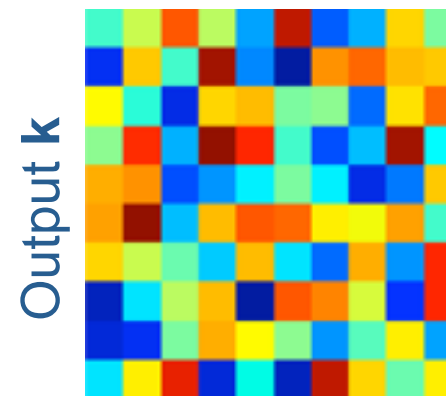


Identity Matrix



**Scattering  
material**

Input **k**

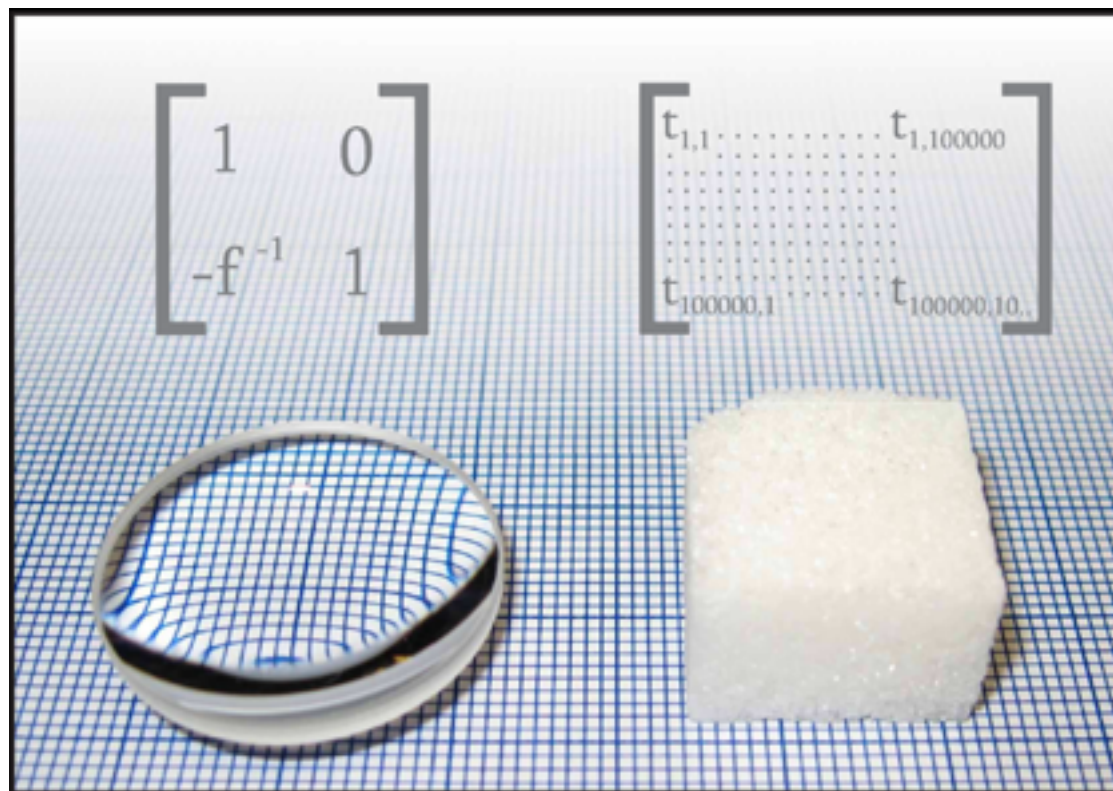


(Seemingly) Random Matrix



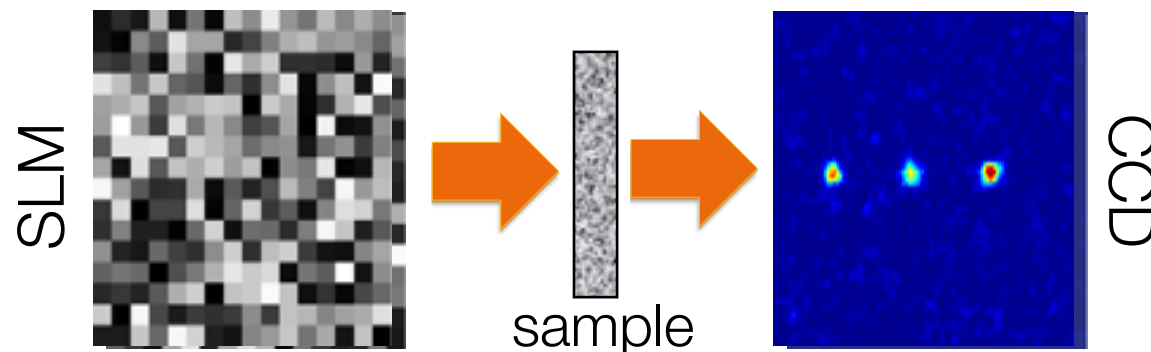
# A more general approach : the transmission matrix

knowing the transmission matrix turns the scattering material into a « lens » with a very high number of degrees of freedom



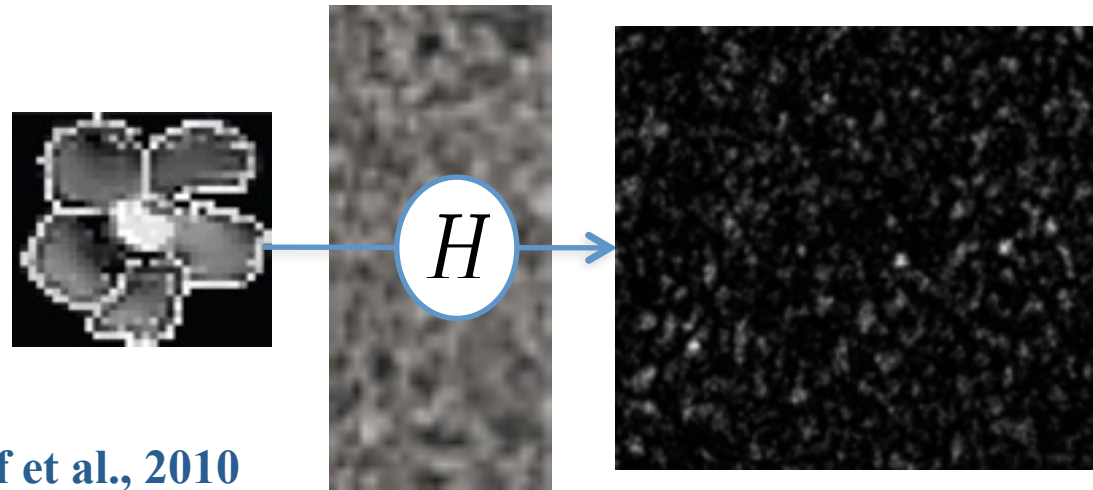
2 applications

- focusing
- imaging





# Exploiting H for imaging



Popoff et al., 2010

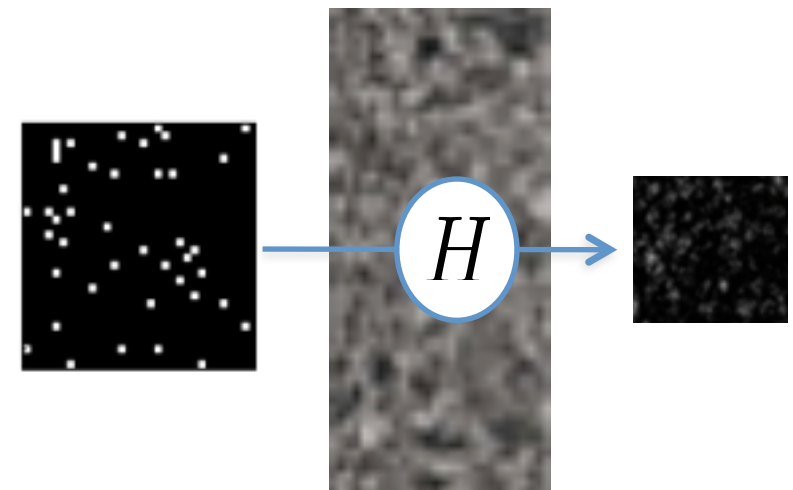
## Linear Reconstruction

**Tikhonov**

$$(H^\dagger H + \sigma I)^{-1} H^\dagger$$



**Sparse image**



## Non-linear Reconstruction

**Sparse reconstruction (l1 or l0)**

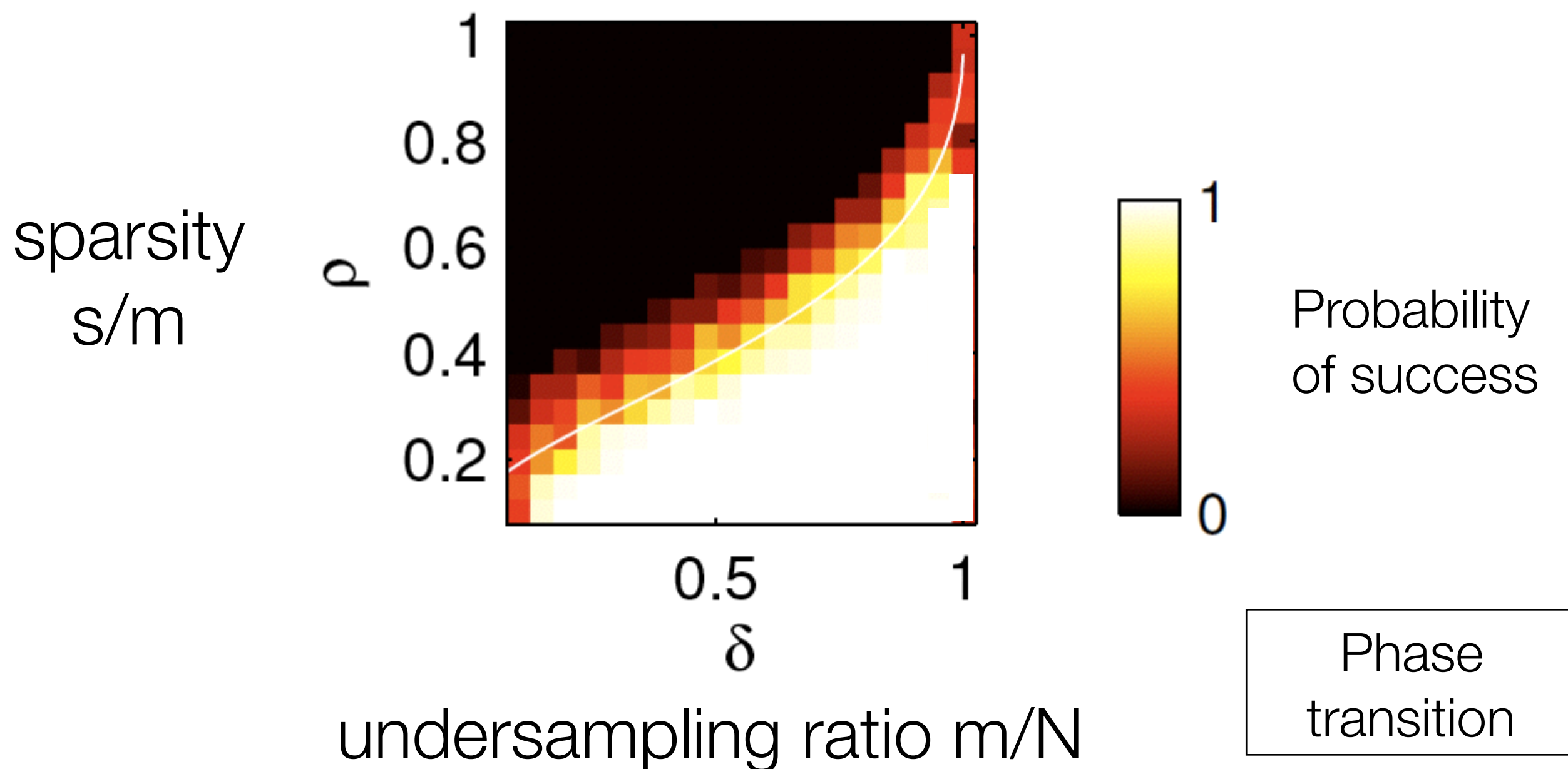
$$u = \arg \min_u \|x - H u\|_2^2 + \lambda \|u\|_1$$

Gaussian iid measurements :  
ideal for « compressed sensing » !

# Conditions for CS reconstruction

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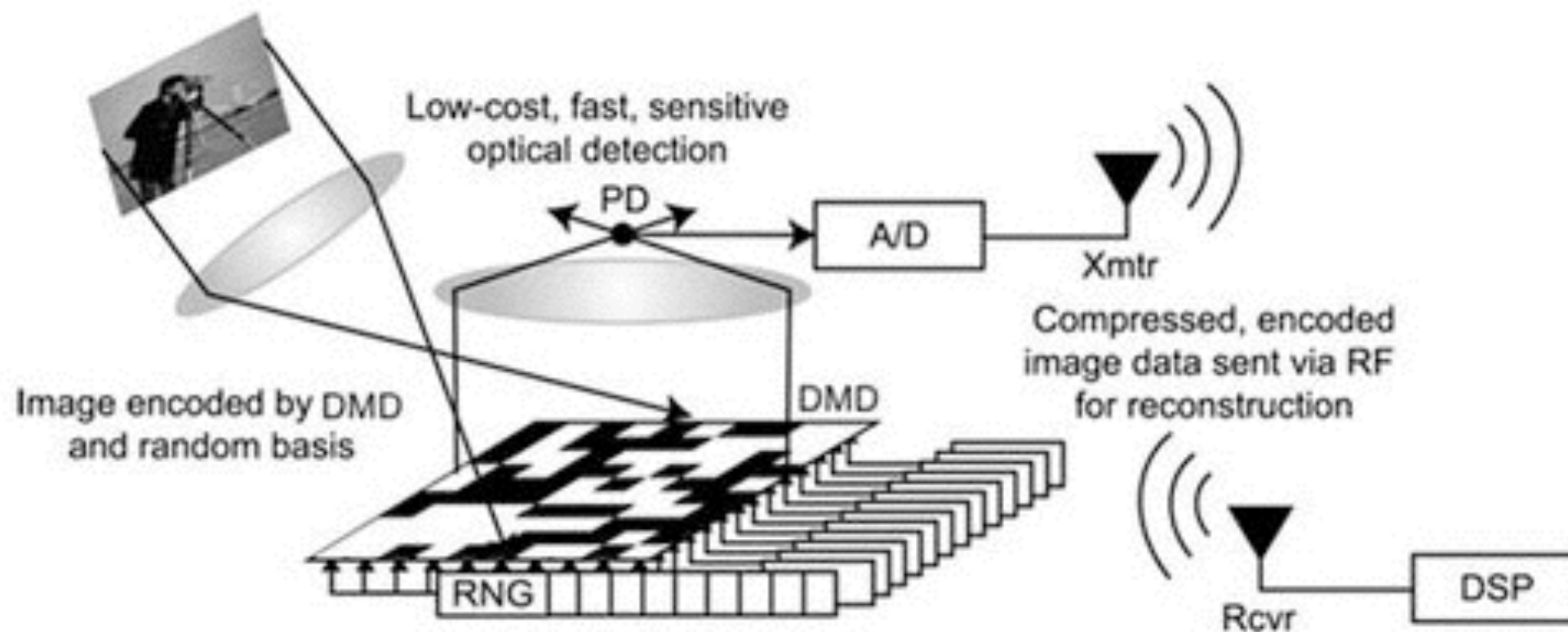
For Gaussian measurement matrices, CS can be performed by L1-minimization, and “universal” behavior is observed (Donoho-Tanner)



# The one-pixel camera

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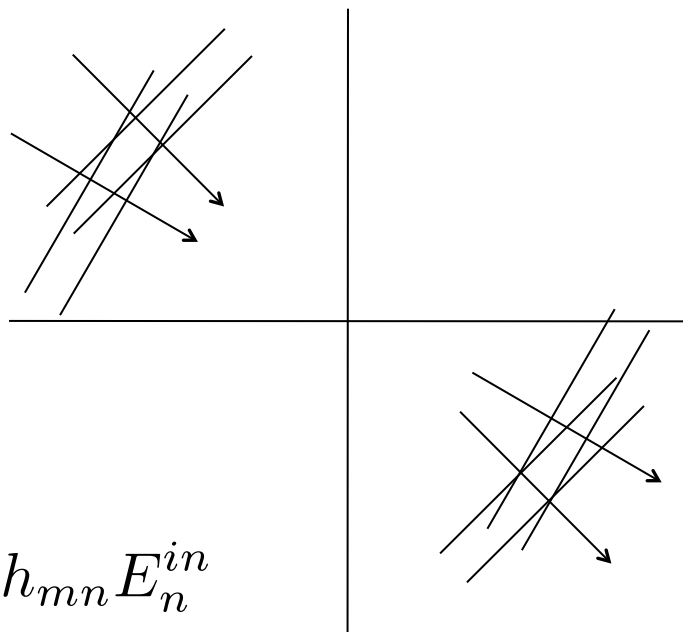
If natural images are sparse, are there smarter sampling schemes than 20 Mpixel regular sensors as in digital cameras ? (where 99% of images end up as JPEGs)



*(Rice Univ.)*

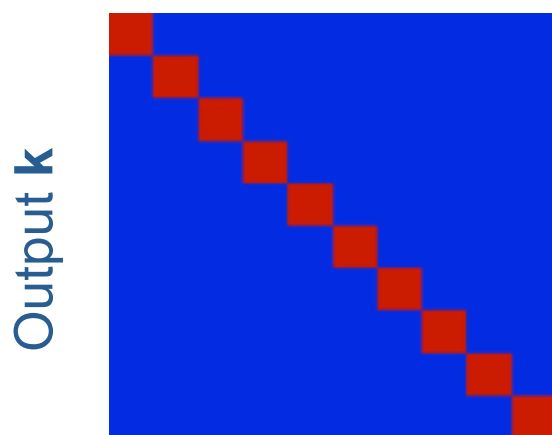
# Back to the physical scattering processes

**free  
field**



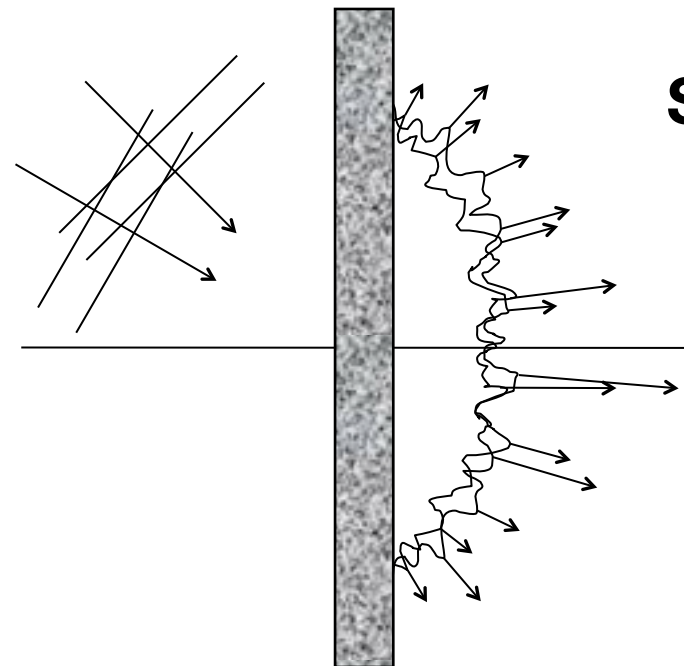
$$E_m^{out} = \sum_n^{1..N} h_{mn} E_n^{in}$$

Input **k**

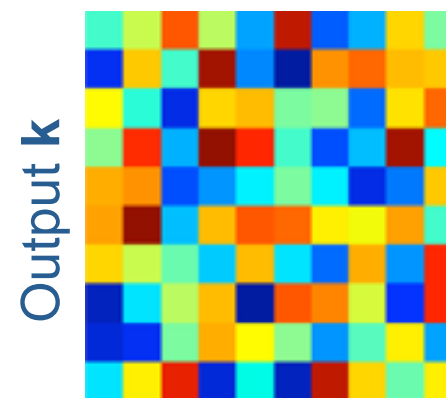


Identity Matrix

**Scattering  
material**



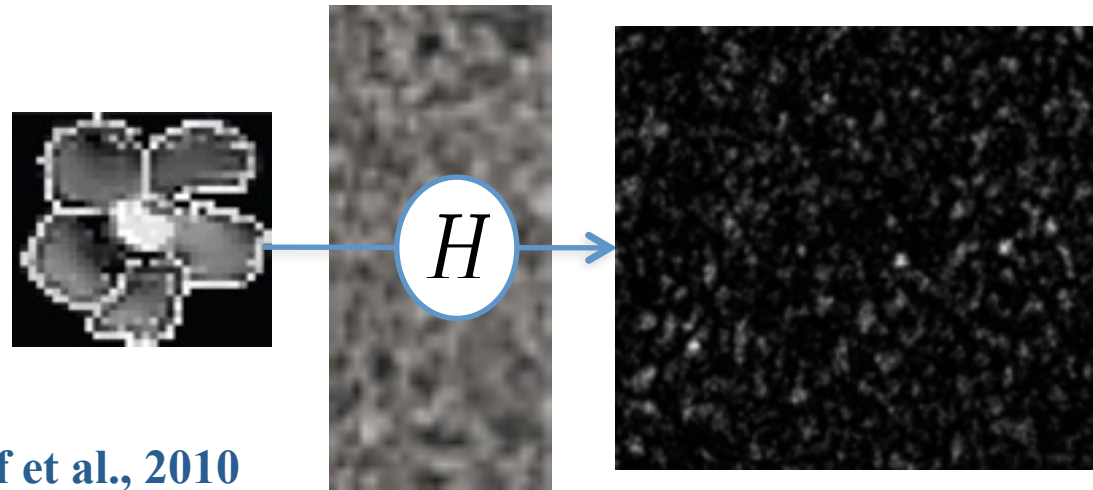
Input **k**



(Seemingly) Random Matrix



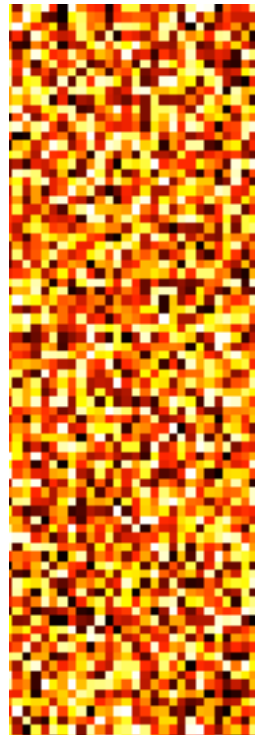
# Exploiting $H$ for imaging



Popoff et al., 2010

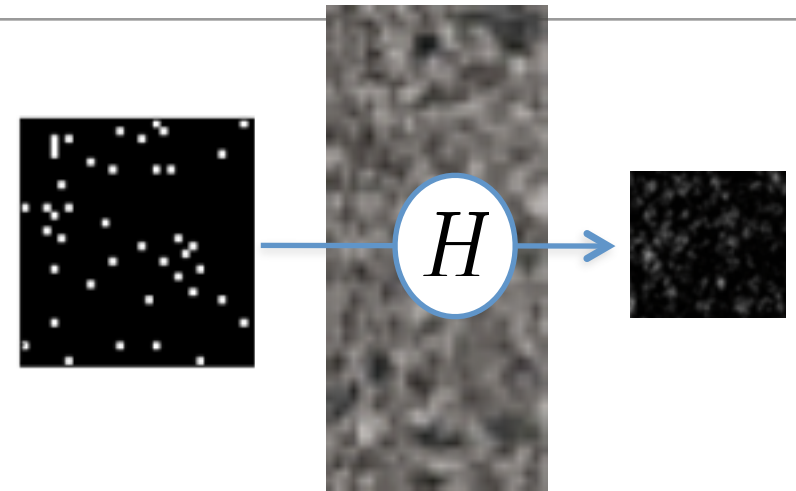
Linear Reconstruction

$H$



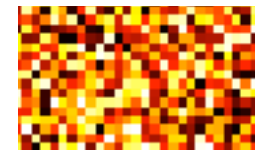
At least as many measurement pixels as input pixels

*Sparse image*



Non-linear Reconstruction

$H$

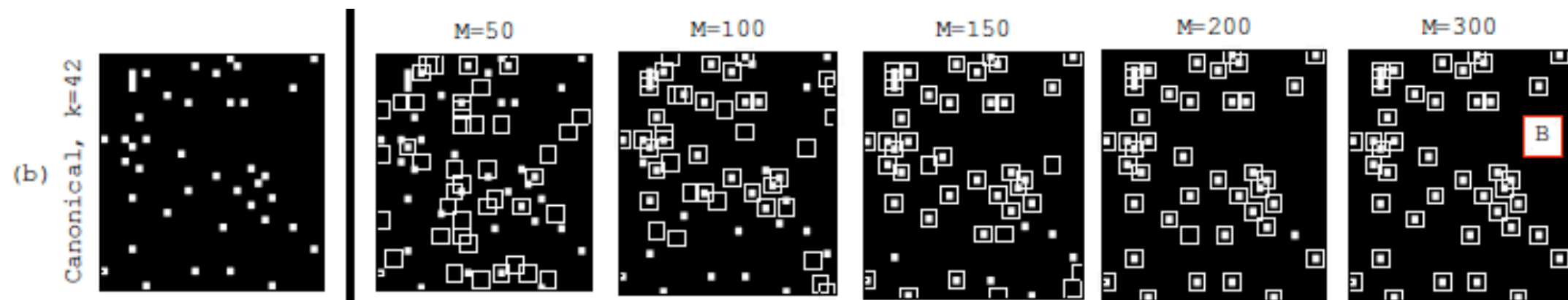


Number of measurement pixels driven by sparsity (  $\ll$  input pixels)

# Compressive imaging with scattering media

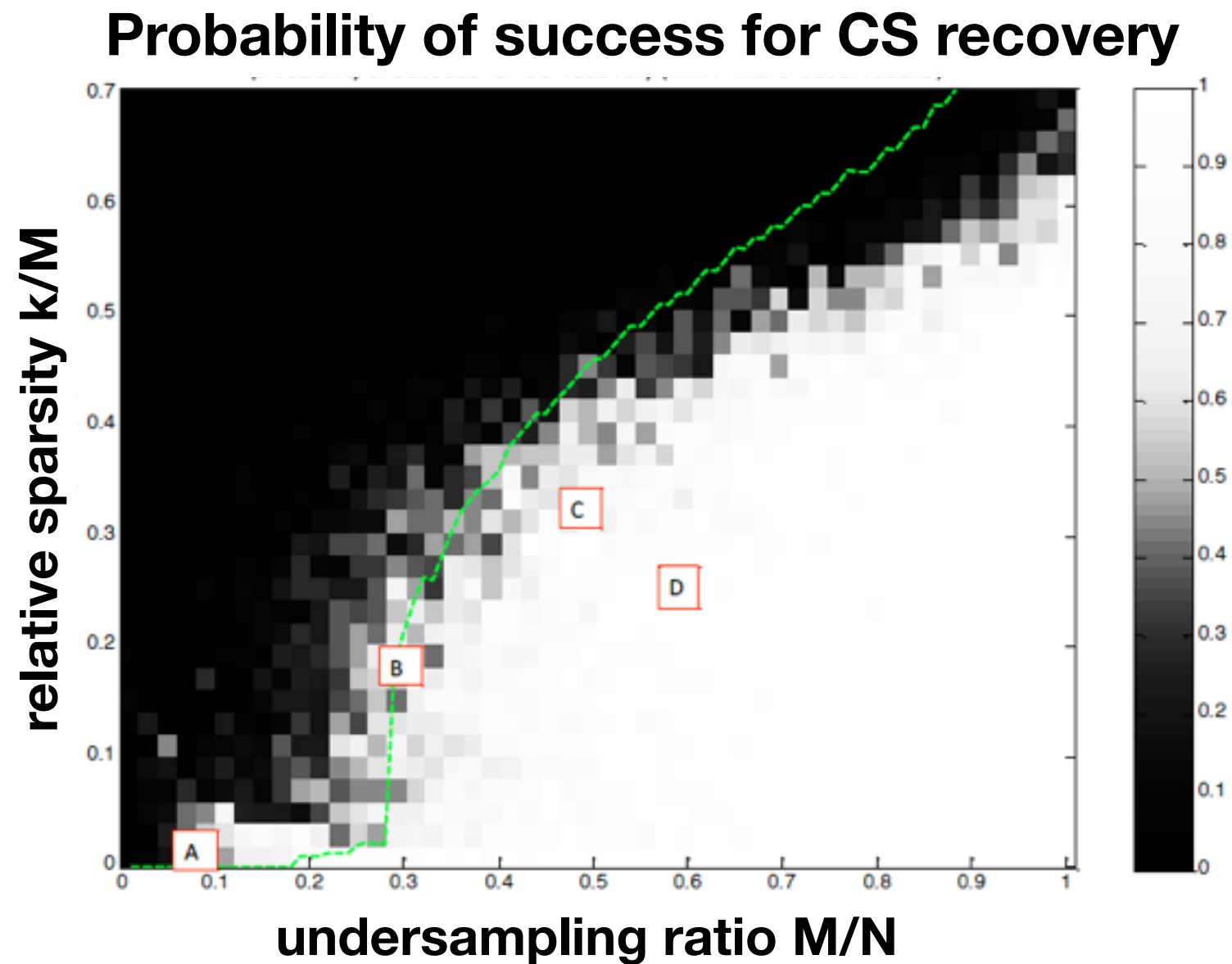
original image  
1024 pixels

number of pixels  $M$  used for reconstruction



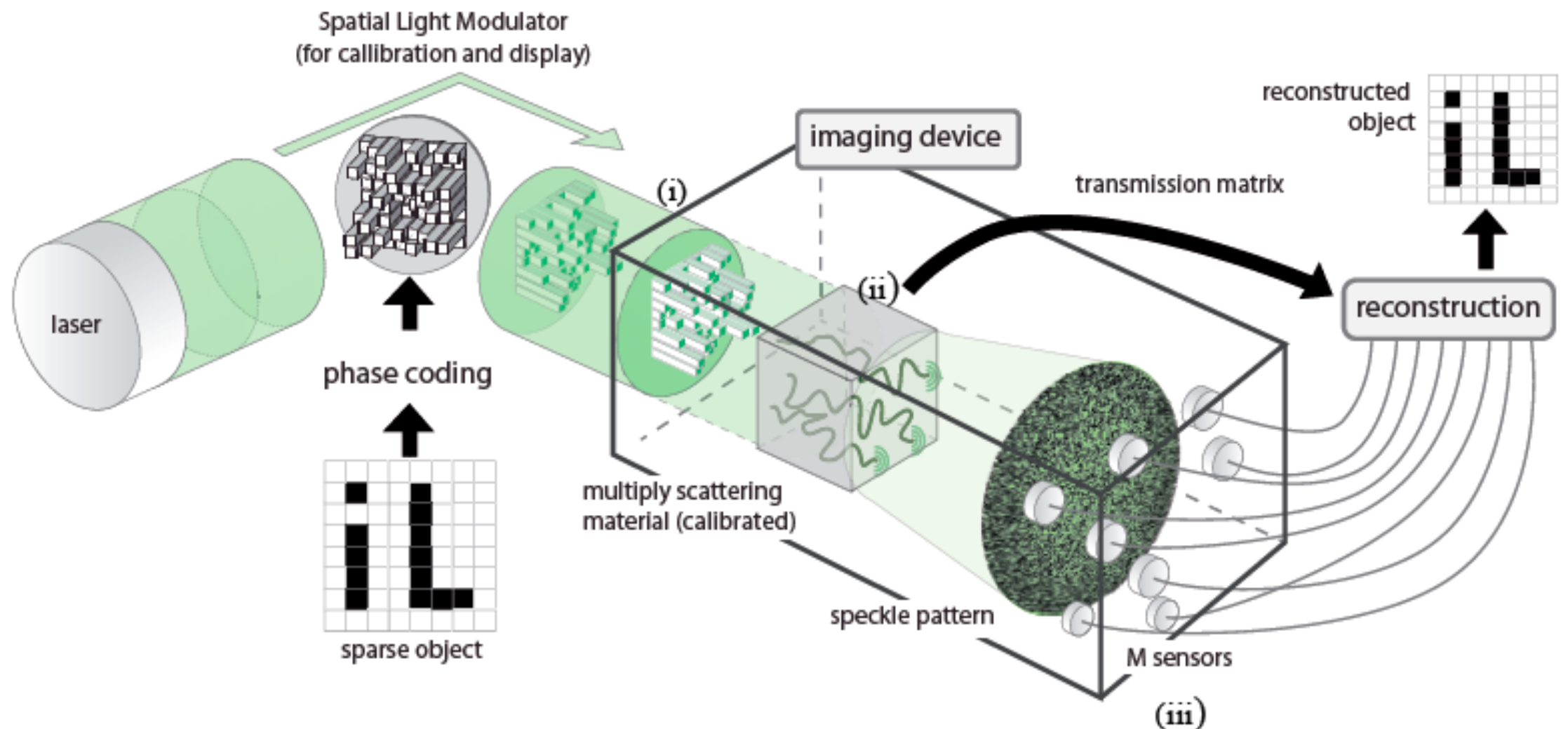
Each pixel provides information about the whole image

# Compressive imaging with scattering media



about  $10^5$   
experiments  
needed !  
(measurements  
are fast !)

# Compressive imaging with scattering media



Proof of concept for compressive imaging with simple hardware



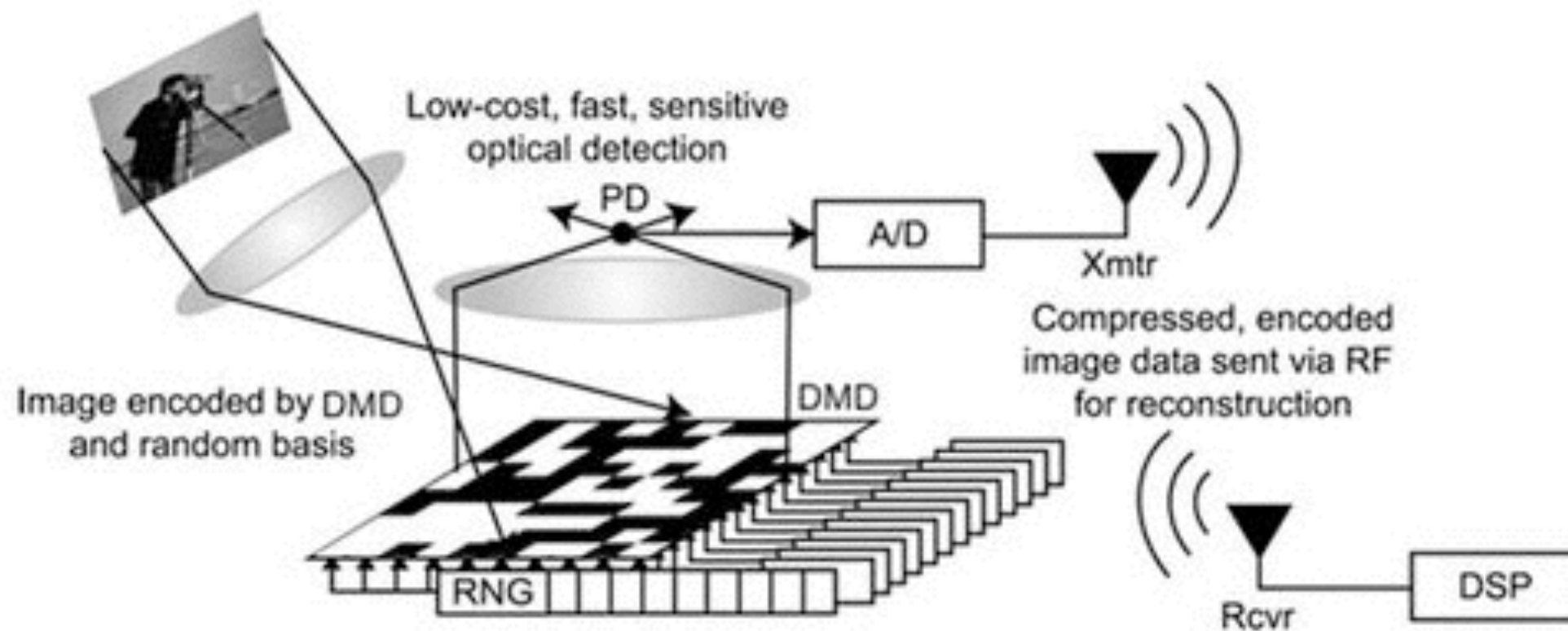
Measurements are made in parallel : extremely fast



Price to pay : calibration



# The single-pixel camera



*(Baraniuk team, Rice Univ.)*



Measurements are made sequentially : fundamentally slow

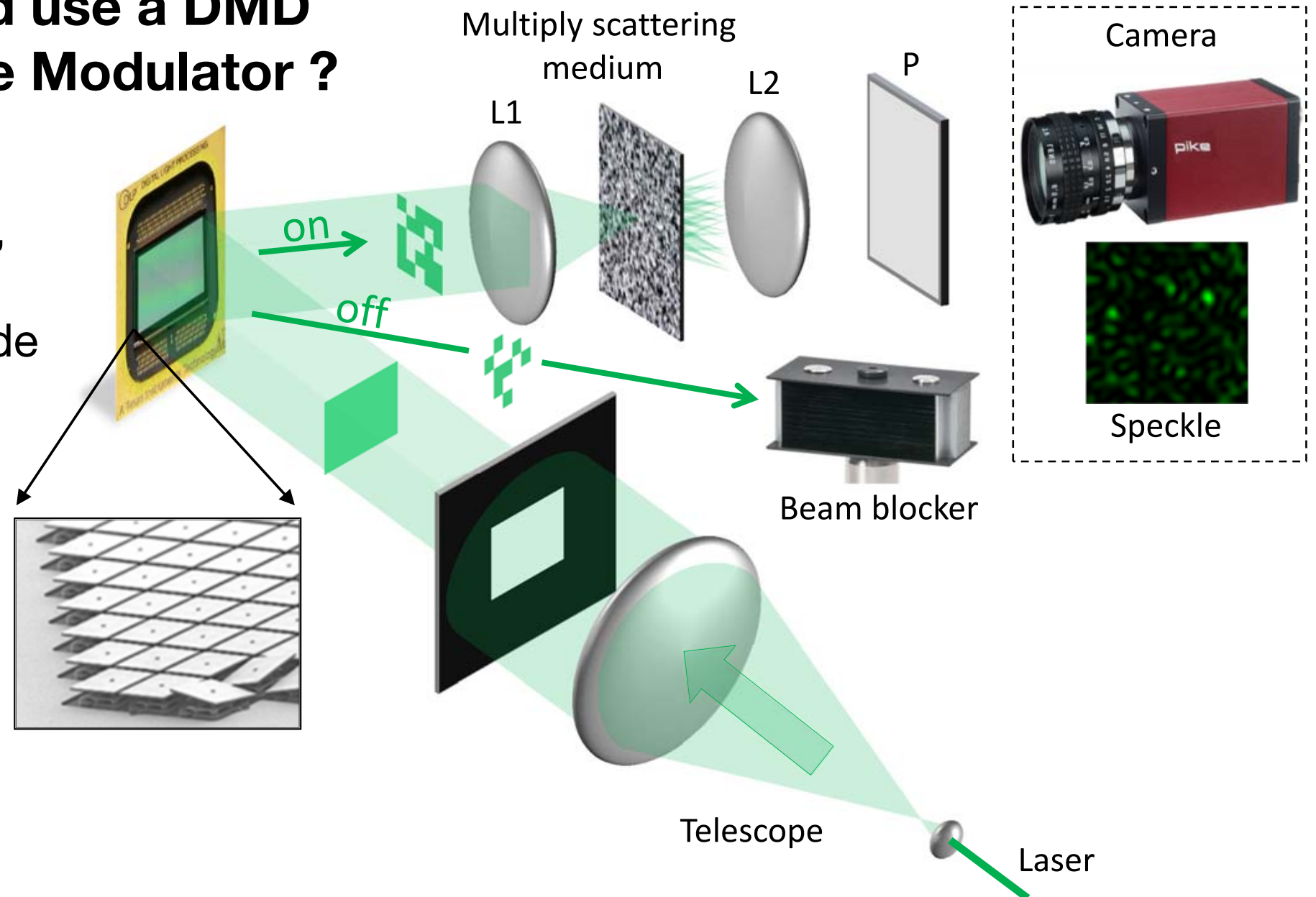


But calibration is easier (pseudo-randomness)

# Experimental setup

## Can we instead use a DMD Binary Amplitude Modulator ?

High number of pixels,  
inexpensive, fast,  
but binary  $\{0,1\}$  amplitude  
modulation.



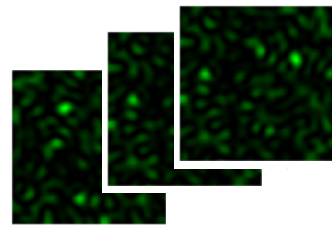
No phase control at input  $\rightarrow$  can only measure intensity  $|E_{\text{out}}|$

# Compressive imaging with scattering media

## A double phase retrieval problem:

at calibration stage

output speckle image  
intensity (measured,  
known up to noise)



$$\mathbf{y} = |\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}|$$

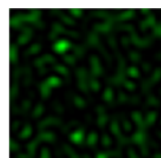
complex TM  
(unknown, iid gaussian)

real (binary) input  
(known)



at imaging stage

output speckle image  
intensity (measured,  
known up to noise)



$$\mathbf{y} = |\mathbf{H}\mathbf{x}|$$

complex TM  
(estimated at calibration)

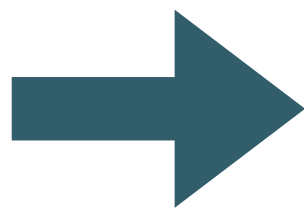
real input  
(unknown)



# Compressive imaging with scattering media

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## A double phase retrieval problem:



A new *single* phase retrieval algorithm  
for both problems with different priors

**prSAMP** : phase retrieval with Swept Approximate Message Passing

- works well with binary  $\{0,1\}$  matrices
- computationally efficient
- flexible signal and noise priors
- Code + demo available ( IPOLE, Rajaei et al. 2017 )



# Compressive imaging with scattering media

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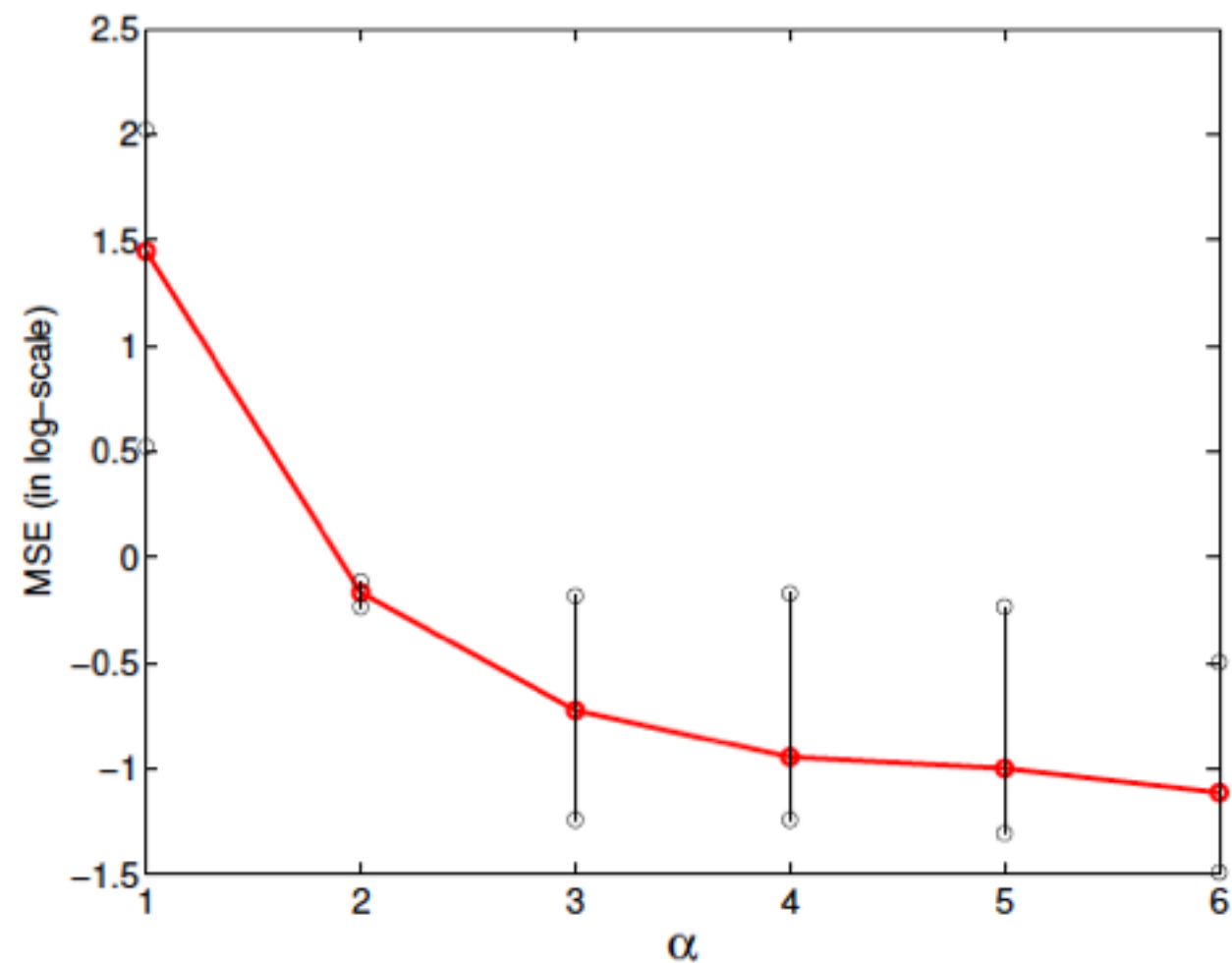
4 ways to assess the performance of the calibration  
(NB ground truth not available !)

- prediction error : for a known  $x_{in}$  , compare  $y_{out}$  to  $| D_{est} x_{in} |$
- eigenvalue distribution
- focusing results
- imaging results

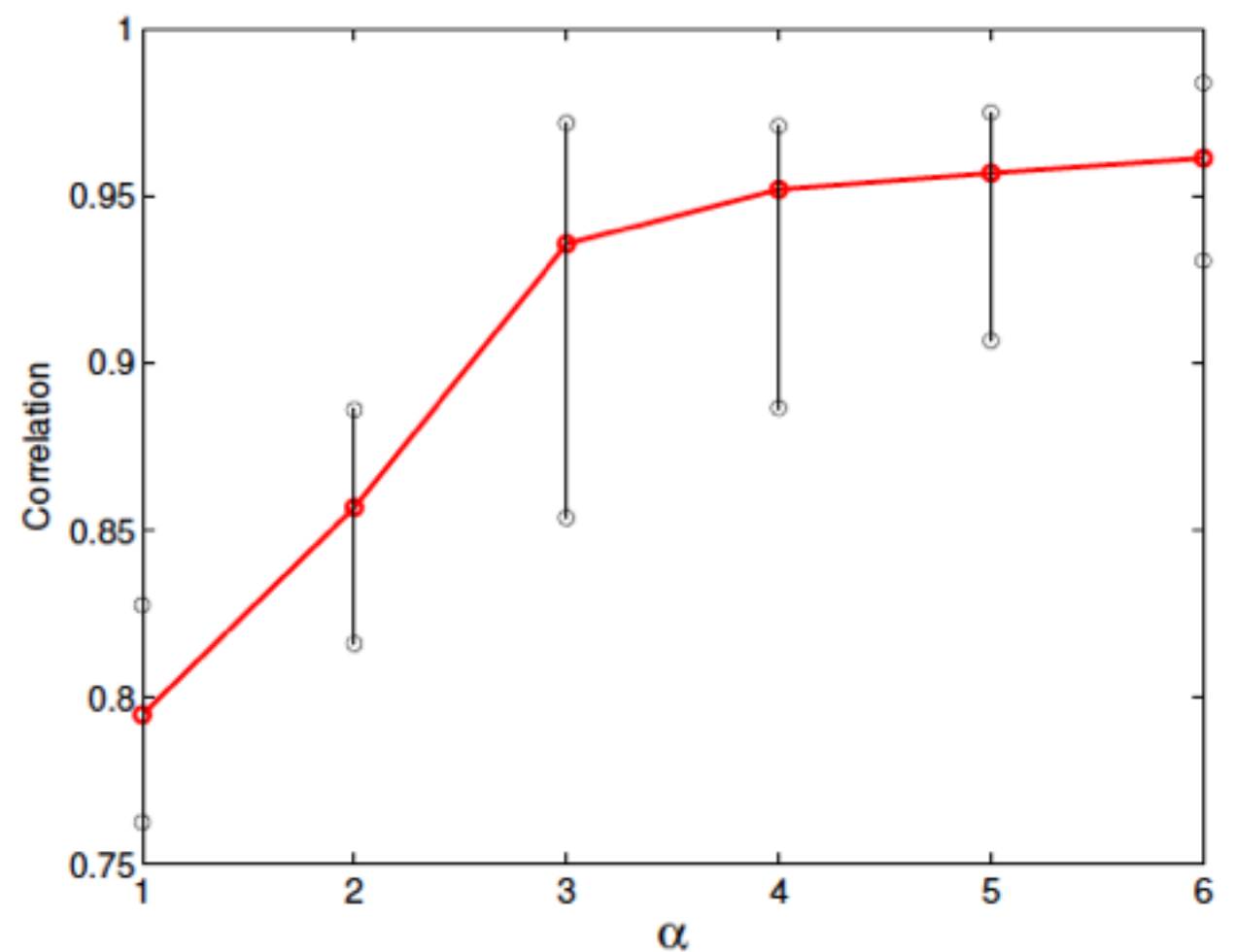
# Compressive imaging with scattering media

## prediction error

mean square error



correlation

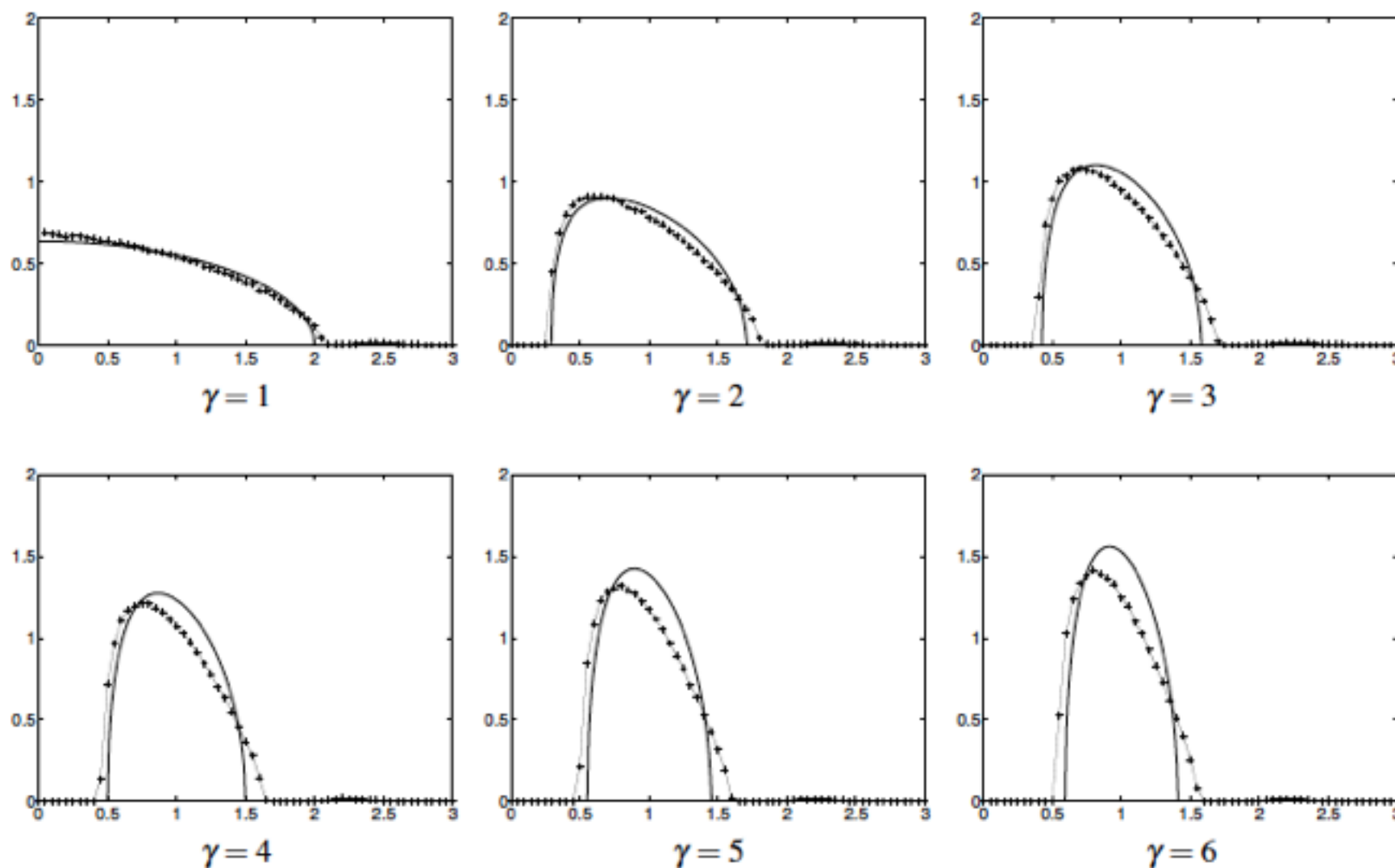


number of training samples  $P = \alpha N$

# Compressive imaging with scattering media

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## Distribution of eigenvalues



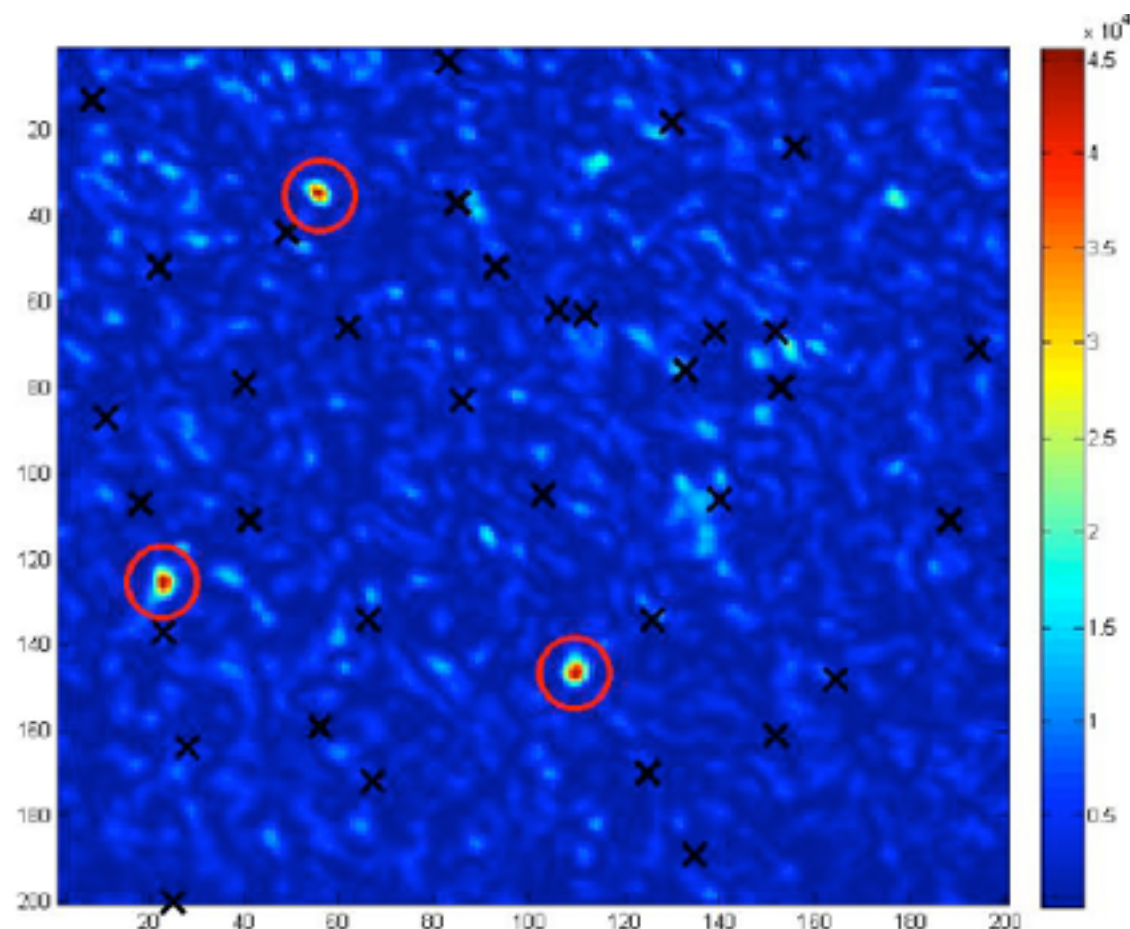
Distribution of normalized eigenvalues, comparison with random matrix theory (Marcenko-Pastur), for different undersampling ratio

# Compressive imaging with scattering media

## Light focusing

Goal : use estimated  $\mathbf{D}$  to focus light on output plane

What is the best *binary*  $\mathbf{x}$  as input, to focus on only a few target output pixels ?



one can use :

- binarized phase conjugation

$$\hat{\mathbf{x}} = \left[ \Re(\mathbf{D}^H \mathbf{y}) > 0 \right]$$

- or the same bayesian model used for calibration, here particularized for the estimation of  $\mathbf{x}$ , with a binary prior.



# Compressive imaging with scattering media

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## Imaging results

original



reconstructed



- Better images can be obtained with more precise signal priors
- Larger images raise significant computational issues

ex for 128x128 images:  $H$  is  $10^5 \times 10^5$  (5 GB in memory)

Phase retrieval algorithms do not scale well : see preprint

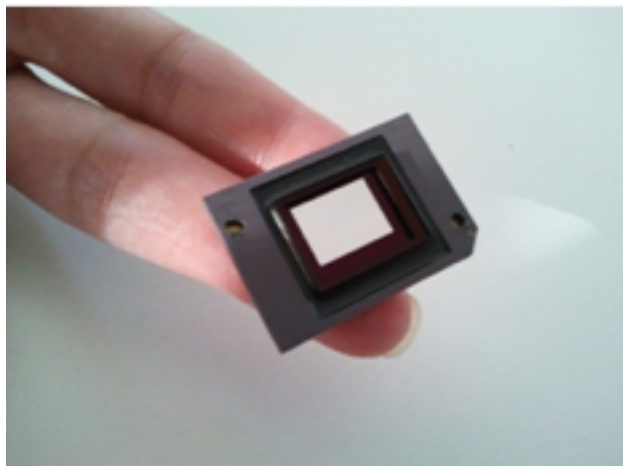
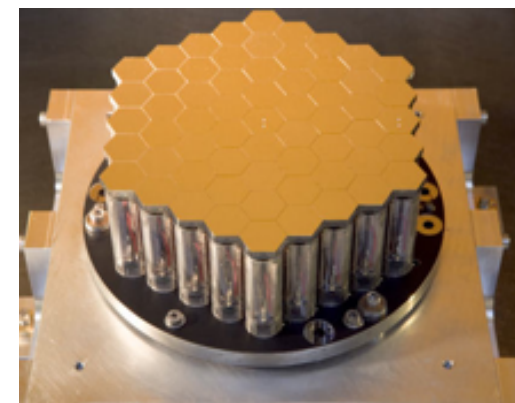
Fast phase retrieval in high dimension : a block-based approach,  
B. Rajaei et al, arXiv:1602.02944

# Compressive imaging with scattering media

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(Compressive) imaging through strongly scattering material is possible thanks to **wavefront shaping**

with expensive & low res. SLM,  
8 shots / sparse image  
(our previous studies)



DIGITAL MICRO MIRROR DEVICE (DMD)  
(SLM - Spatial Light Modulator)

with cheap & high res. DMD,  
1 shot / image !  
price : robust and scalable PR  
new algorithm : prSwAMP

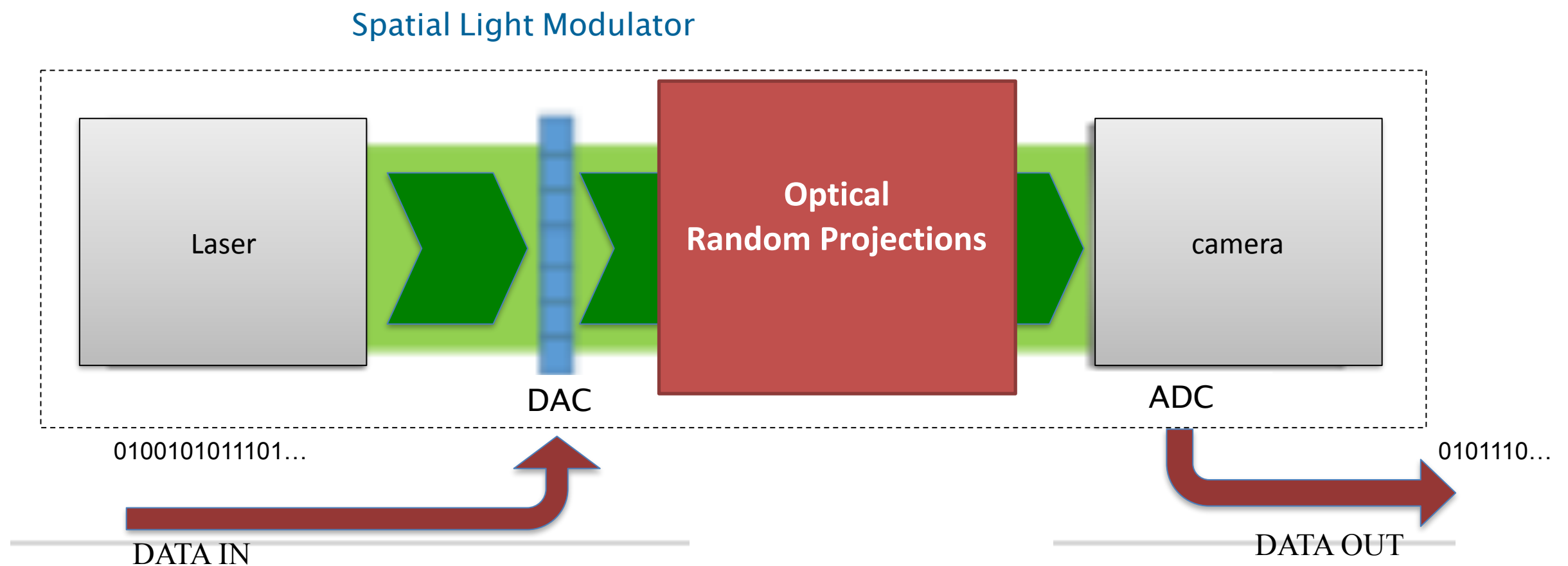
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« Ask not what computing can do for optics –  
ask what optics can do for computing »

# Towards optical computing

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Now, let us just only consider the previous experiment as a “black box” with input in the SLM and output on the CCD



# Towards optical computing

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- These components can be very fast (kHz), with high pixel counts (10 Mpix)  
▷ potentially 10 Gbs total throughput
- This simulates the operation  $y = |Mx|$  with  $M$  a *complex* random iid matrix **of size potentially  $10^7 \times 10^7$**  (TBs of memory)
- The key idea : if you just want to *compare* outputs **you do not have to know (calibrate) and store this matrix**
- This study presents a very simple proof-of-concept of image classification based on kernel ridge regression, where the random features are obtained with the optical experiment.



# Example : classification with ridge regression on random features

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training U : data Y: labels

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{\beta \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}} ||\mathbf{U}\beta - \mathbf{Y}||_2^2 + \gamma ||\beta||_2^2$$

$$\beta = (\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U} + \gamma \mathbf{I}_p)^{-1} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{U}^T (\mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}^T + \gamma \mathbf{I}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{Y}$$

regression

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\mathbf{Y}} &= \tilde{\mathbf{U}} \beta = \tilde{\mathbf{U}} (\mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{U} + \gamma \mathbf{I}_p)^{-1} \mathbf{U}^T \mathbf{Y} \\ &= \tilde{\mathbf{U}} \mathbf{U}^T (\mathbf{U} \mathbf{U}^T + \gamma \mathbf{I}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{Y} \end{aligned}$$

These are only inner products

inverting this N x N matrix can be hard

use a **kernel** for these inner products

$$\mathbf{K}_{i,j} = k(\mathbf{U}_i, \mathbf{U}_j) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\mathbf{K}}_{i,j} = k(\tilde{\mathbf{U}}_i, \mathbf{U}_j)$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{Y}} = \tilde{\mathbf{K}} (\mathbf{K} + \gamma \mathbf{I}_n)^{-1} \mathbf{Y}$$

# Kernel ridge regression

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Consider the following elliptic kernel (EK)

$$k(\mathbf{U}_i, \mathbf{U}_j) = \frac{\sqrt{\mathbf{U}_i^T \mathbf{U}_i \mathbf{U}_j^T \mathbf{U}_j}}{2} \left\{ -(\sin^2 \theta) \mathcal{E}_K [\cos^2 \theta] + 2\mathcal{E}_E [\cos^2 \theta] + |\sin \theta| \left( 2\mathcal{E}_E \left[ -\frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \right] - \mathcal{E}_K \left[ -\frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\sin^2 \theta} \right] \right) \right\}$$

$\mathcal{E}_K[.]$  and  $\mathcal{E}_E[.]$  are the complete elliptic integrals of the first / second kind  
 $\theta$  is the angle between  $\mathbf{U}_i$  and  $\mathbf{U}_j$

Example : classifying the MNIST database

training set of 60000 training pictures  
(28x28) of handwritten digits

test set of 10000 digits

Using the EK, one obtains a 1.31 % error rate  
(baseline 12 % with plain ridge regression)

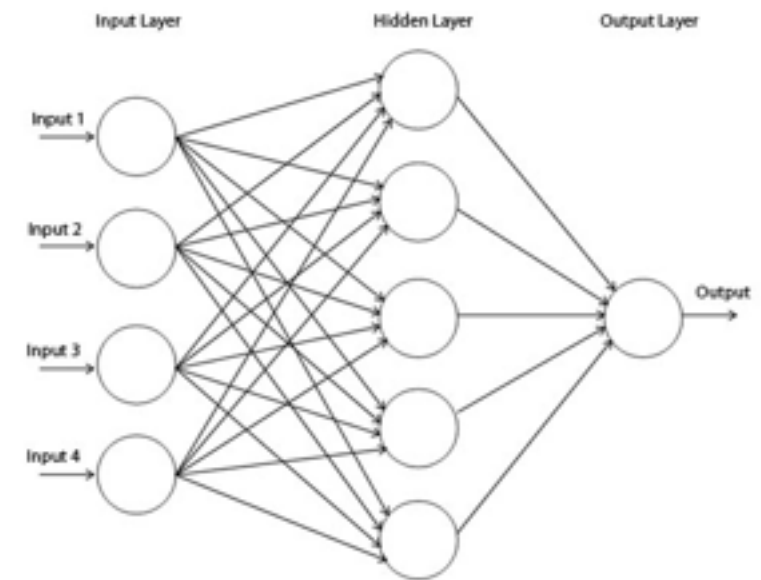


# Approximating kernels with random projections

In the spirit of Rahimi-Recht / ELMs :

$$\mathbf{X}_{i,j} = \phi((\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_i)_j + \mathbf{b}_j)$$

where  $\mathbf{W}$  is a random complex matrix with gaussian i.i.d. entries, and  $\phi$  a non-linearity



$$\tilde{\mathbf{Y}} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{X}^T(\mathbf{X}\mathbf{X}^T + \gamma\mathbf{I}_n)^{-1}\mathbf{Y} = \tilde{\mathbf{X}}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X} + \gamma\mathbf{I}_N)^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{Y}$$

of size  $N \times N$

of size  $n \times n$

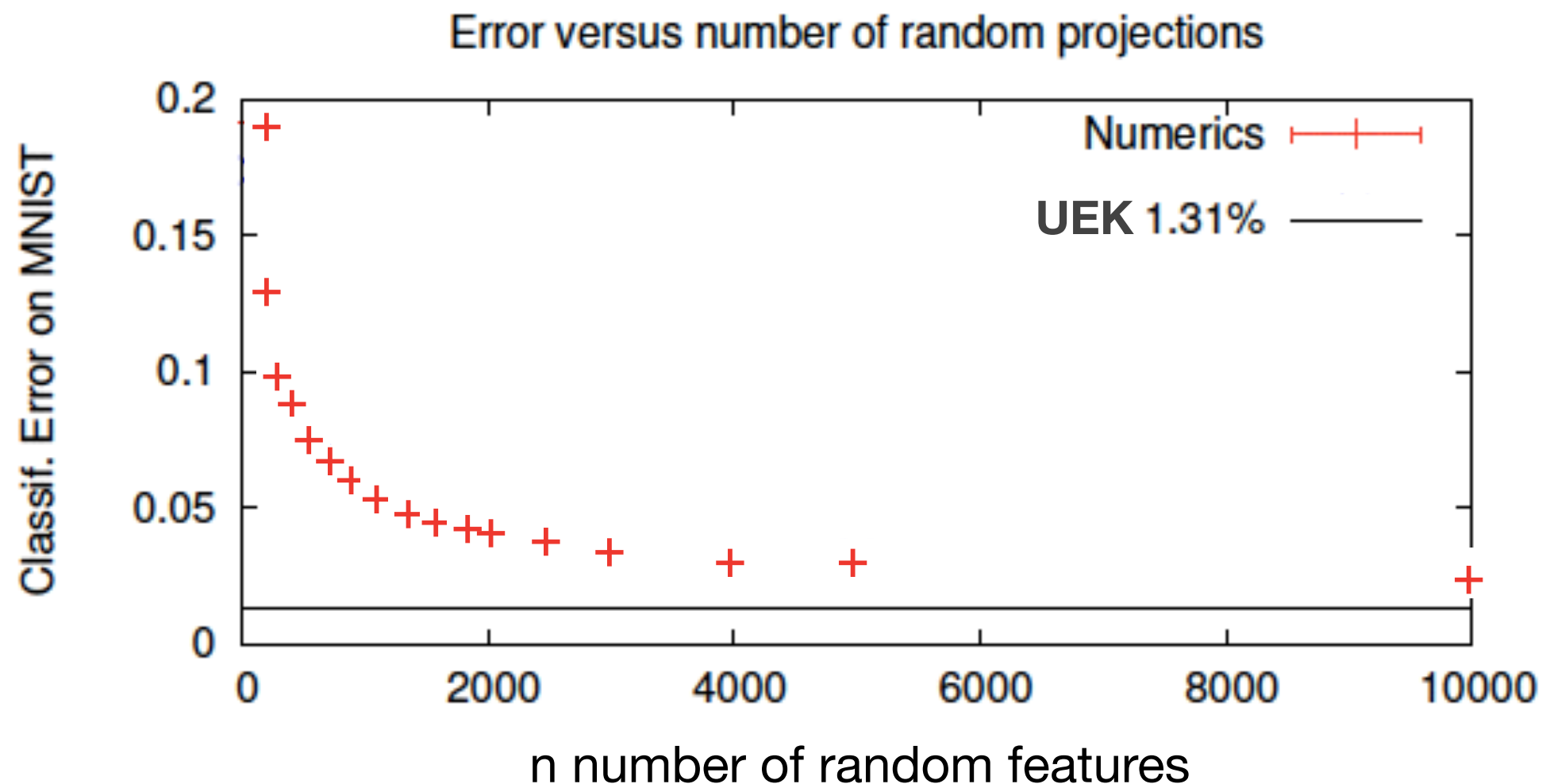
where  $N$  is the number of training examples

where  $n$  is the number of random features  
no dependency on  $N$  !

For  $b = 0$ ,  $\phi$  | |, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , this tends to the Elliptic Kernel above !

# Random projections

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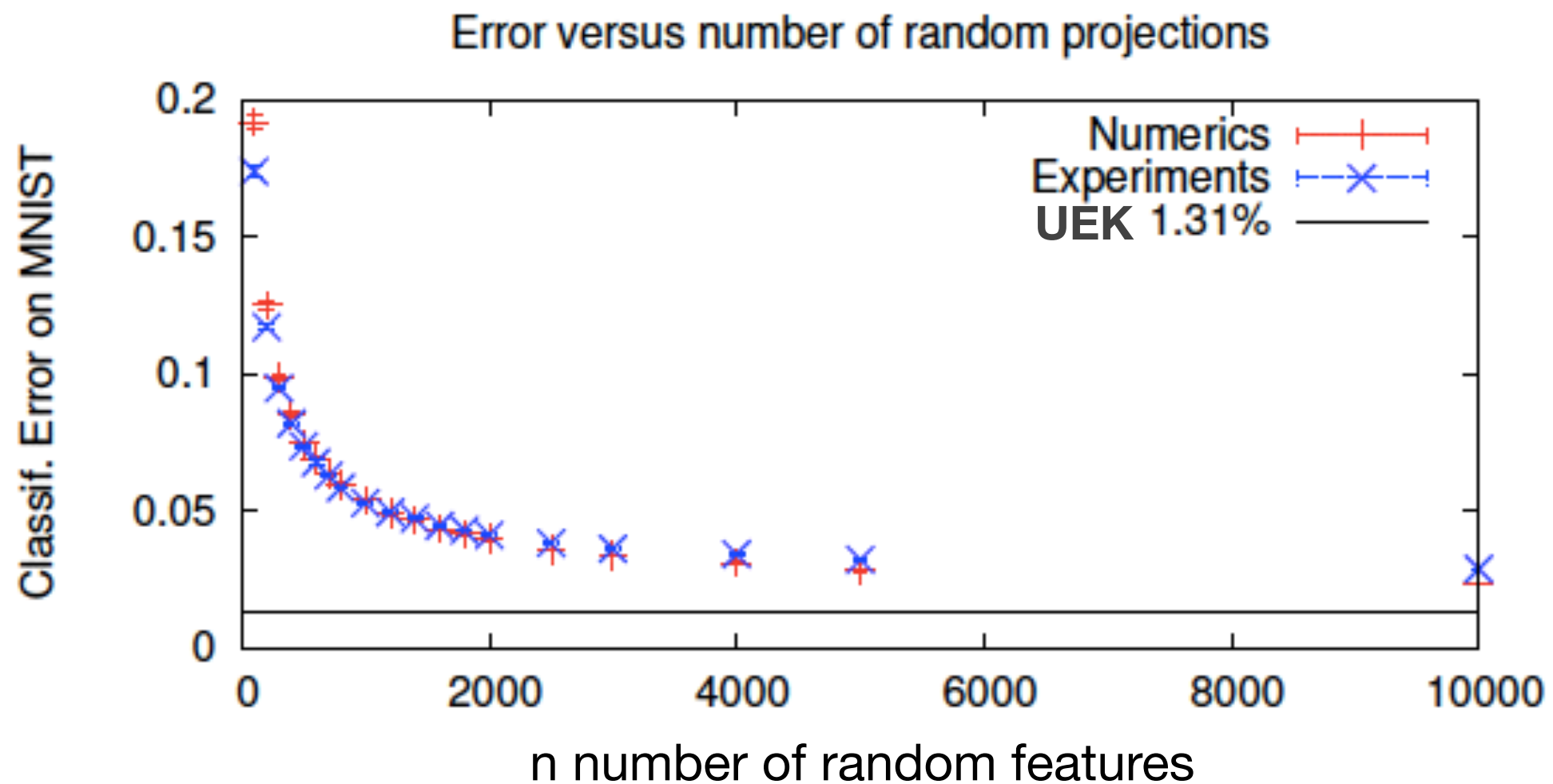
example : at  $n = 10000$  random features, error rate is about 2%  
empirical scaling law in  $N^{-2/3}$

# Random projections

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$$\mathbf{X}_{i,j} = \phi((\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_i)_j + \mathbf{b}_j)$$

this is precisely what is performed by our optical experiment with  $\phi = |\cdot|$





# Random projections

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We optically perform an operation that approximates the norm of random projections with complex-valued iid Gaussian entries

$$\mathbf{X}_{i,j} = \phi((\mathbf{W}\mathbf{U}_i)_j + \mathbf{b}_j)$$

when the number of output random features tends to infinity, this amounts to computing a kernel (ugly but well behaved !)

that efficiently feeds a simple linear classifier (kernel ridge regression)

1st experimental proof of concept on a small dataset :  
needs to be confirmed in large-scale experiments

# Conclusion

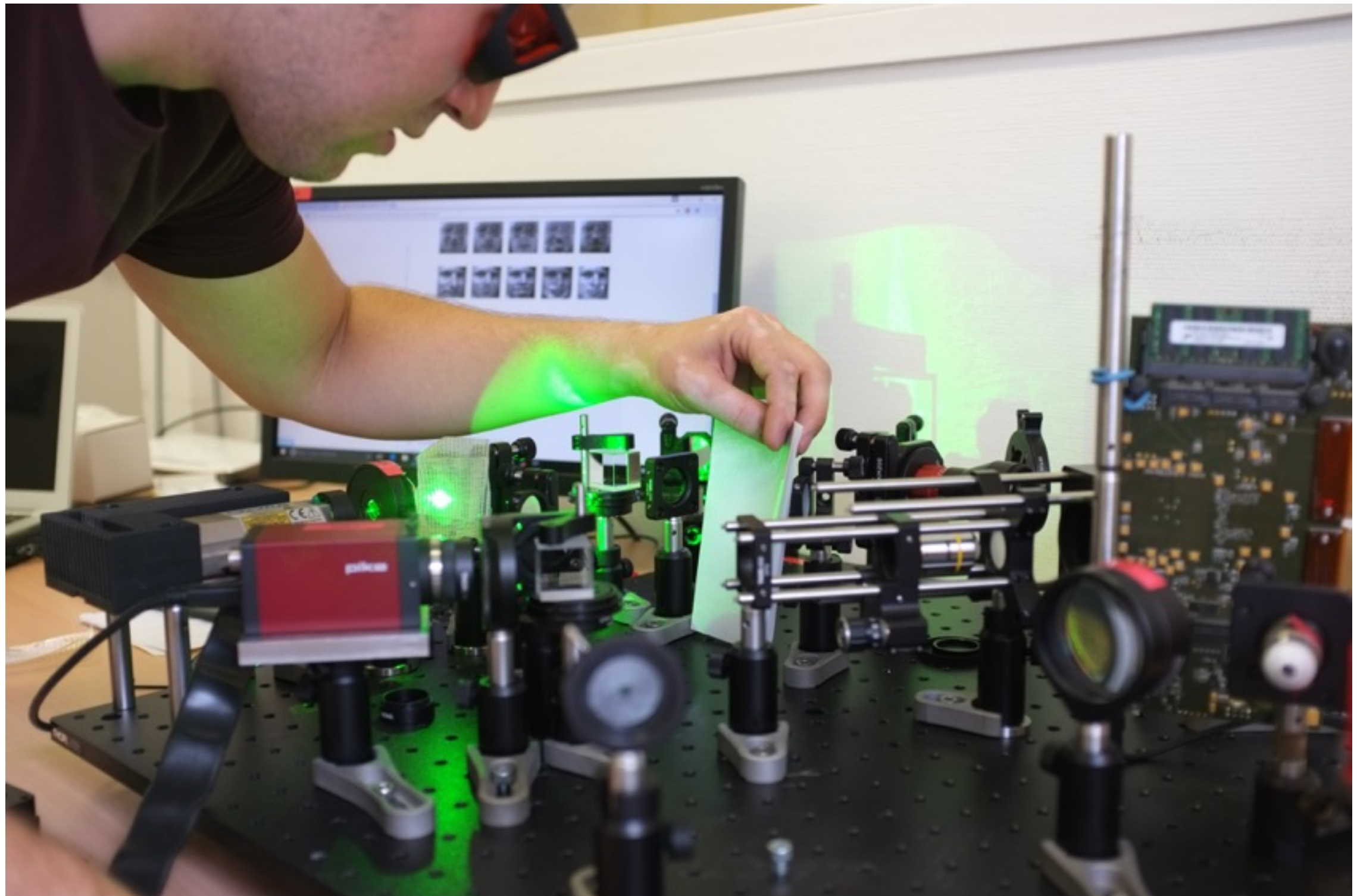
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Multiply scattering media provides «optimal / universal» scrambling of information in a fully scalable *analog* way.

- **computational imaging:**  
**turning a layer of scattering material into a « super-lens »**  
From *imaging through scattering media* (challenge)  
to *using scattering media to better image* (opportunity)
- **optical computing**  
**turning a layer of scattering material into a « computer »**

# From lab experiment to prototype

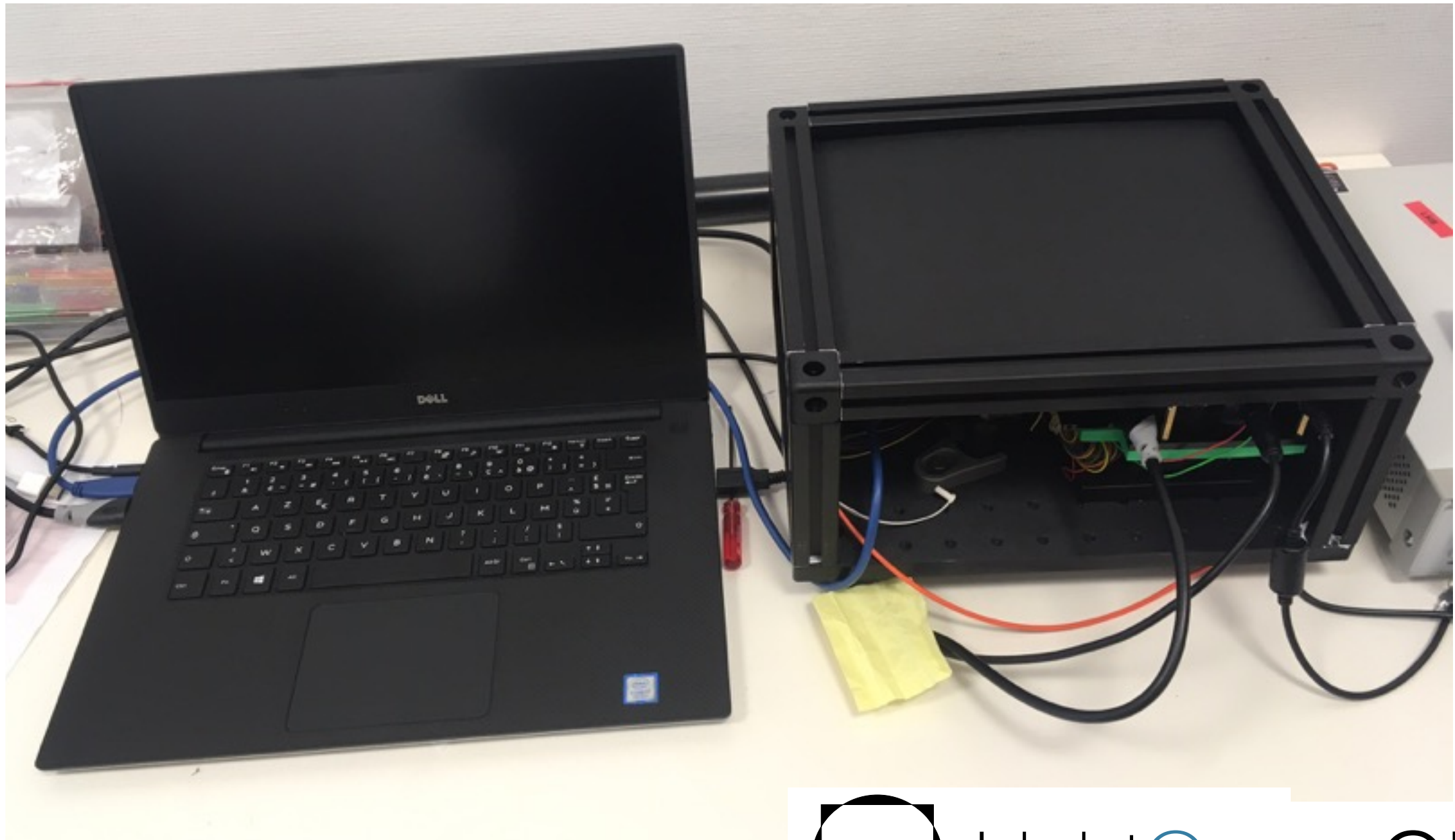
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# From lab experiment to prototype

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Using only off-the-shelf components





# From lab experiment to prototype

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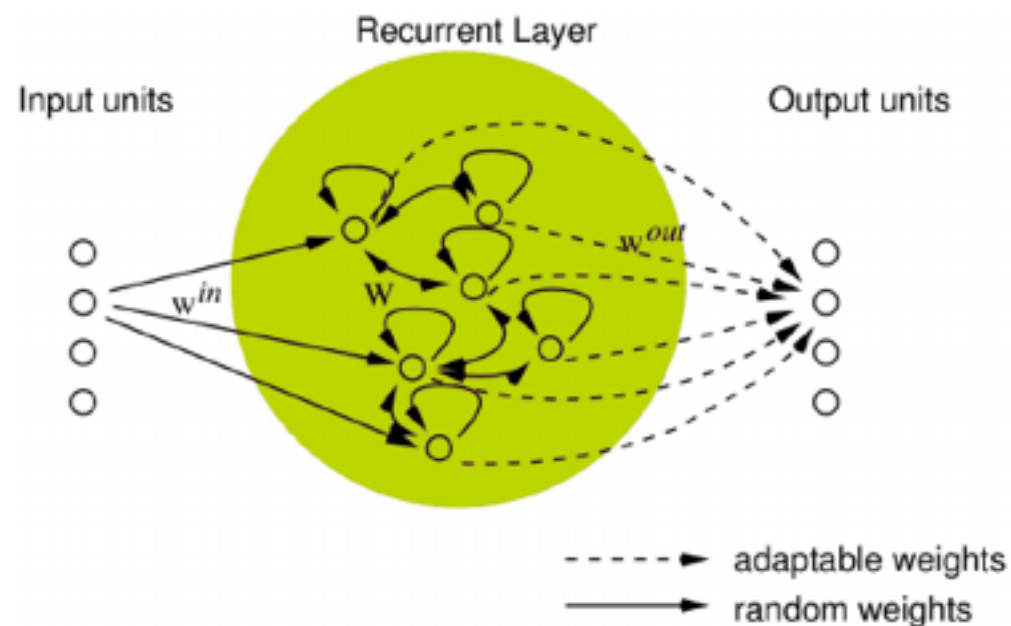
Current prototype performs random projections 800 times faster than CPU at the max size handled by RAM, it can also go at much larger sizes



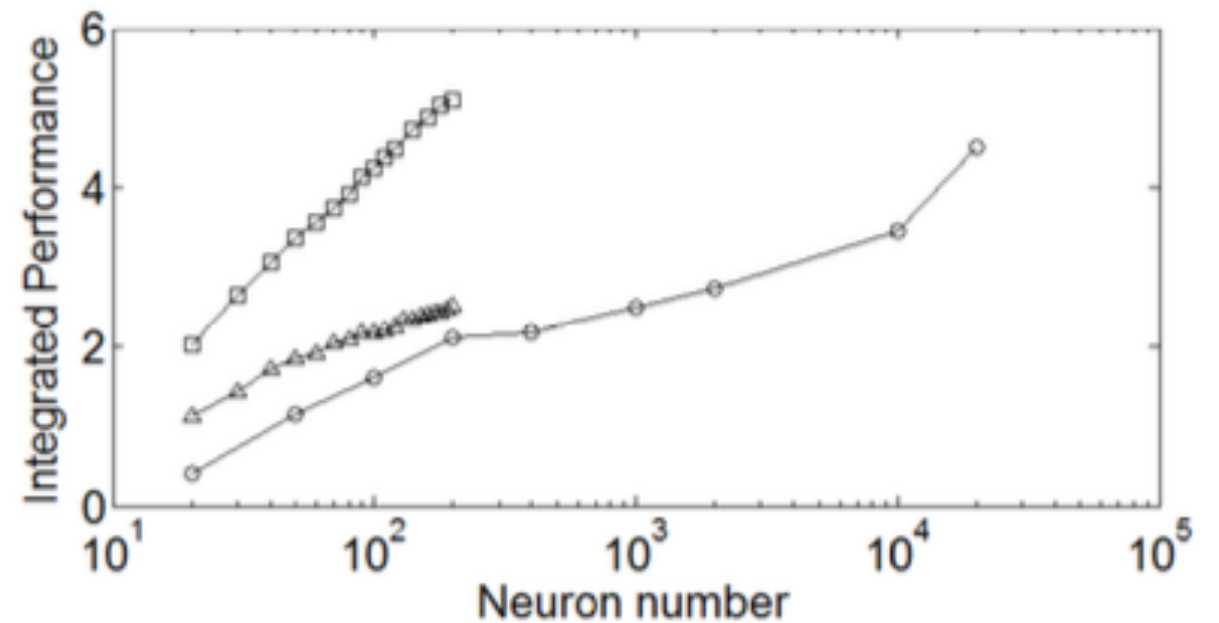
# Reservoir computing

Our prototype can be used as a physical implementation of large-scale echo-state networks

POC experiment with the XOR operation [ Dong et al., arXiv:1609.05204 ]



[diagram from Obst et al. 2013]



Can make ESNs at sizes not reachable by standard PCs

# From lab experiment to prototype

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We are investigating random projections for a number of Machine Learning schemes at scale:

- Supervised / unsupervised schemes
- Feed-forward / recurrent
- dimensionality reduction
- ...

# From lab experiment to prototype

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Soon (Q1 2018) available in the cloud with CPU/GPU for the beta-users (you !) to play with.

# Conclusion

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- Large random matrices can be found in Nature : « easily » harvested !
- « What the fly actually does is, instead of reducing it, it expands the dimension into much larger than it was [using Random Projection], and it creates a very sparse point in a high-dimensional space » (Brian Gallagher blog post, on a study by Navlakha *et al.*)



- We are hiring (jobs/internships) - located in the center of Paris !
- Can provide remote access to our cloud-computing platform



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