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# Xampling

### From Theory to Hardware of Sub-Nyquist Sampling

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### "Analog Girl in a Digital World..." Judy Gorman `99



Donoho, '06

### Key Idea

#### Exploit structure to improve data processing performance:

- Reduce storage/reduce sampling rates
- Reduce processing rates
- Increase imaging resolution
- Reduce power, size, cost...

#### Goal:

- Survey sampling strategies that exploit signal structure to reduce rate
- Present a unified framework for sub-Nyquist sampling
- Provide a variety of different applications and benefits

# Outline

- Part 1: Introduction
- Part 2: Sub-Nyquist in a subspace
  - Generalized sampling framework
  - Examples
- Part 3: Union of subspaces
  - Model, analog and discrete applications
  - Short intro to compressed sensing
- Part 4: Xampling, Sub-Nyquist in a union
  - Functional framework
  - Modulated wideband conversion
  - Sparse shift-invariant sampling
  - Finite-rate/sequences of innovation methods
  - Random demodulation
- Part 5: From theory to hardware
  - Practical design metrics
  - Circuit challenges

### **Outline Schematically**

Definition: Nyquist-rate system A single ADC device outputs a stream of numbers at rate  $2f_{\text{max}}$ 



- Sub-Nyquist system
  - One or more ADC devices
  - Each ADC device runs at a rate below  $2f_{\text{max}}$
  - With / without analog preprocessing
- Overall rate  $< 2f_{\text{max}}$   $\leftarrow$  Our main focus



### **Tutorial Goal**

### To be as interactive as possible!

- Feel free to ask questions
- Raise ideas
- Slow us down if things are too fast ...

### Hope you learn and enjoy!

# – Part 1 – Introduction



### Sampling: "Analog Girl in a Digital World..." Judy Gorman 99



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### Analog world

Digital world

Music

- Radar
- Image...





- Signal processingImage denoisingAnalysis...
- Very high sampling rates: hardware excessive solutions
- High DSP rates

### **ADC Market**



State-of-the-art ADCs generate uniform samples at the input's Nyquist rate
Continuous effort to:

- increase sampling rate (Giga-samples/sec)
- increase front-end bandwidth
- increase (effective) number of bits

#### Working in digital becomes difficult

# Nyquist Rate Sampling

- Standard processing techniques require sampling at the Nyquist rate = twice the highest frequency
- Narrow pulse, wide sensing range = high Nyquist rate
- Results in hardware excessive solutions and high DSP rates
- Too difficult to process, store and transmit



#### Main Idea: Exploit structure to reduce sampling and processing rates

### The Key – Structure



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Must have some prior on x(t)

x(t) piece-wise linear



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**Prior (= Signal Model)** Necessary for Recovery

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- Sampling reduces ``dimenions''
  Must have some prior on x(t)
- Model too narrow (e.g. pure sine)Model too wide (e.g. bandlimited)
- → not widely applicable
  → no rate reduction

Key: Treat signal models that are sufficiently wide and structured at the same time

### Structure Types

In this tutorial we treat 2 main structures:



• Linear:  $x, y \in \mathcal{A} \to \alpha x + \beta y \in \mathcal{A}$ • Generalized sampling theory





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  Xampling (functional framework)
- Subspace modeling is used in many practical applications
- BUT, can result in unnecessary-high sampling and processing rates
- Union modeling paves the way to innovative sampling methods, at rates as low as the actual information rate

### Ultrasound



### **Processing Rates**

- To increase SNR the reflections are viewed by an antenna array
- SNR is improved through beamforming by introducing appropriate time shifts to the received signals



Focusing the received beam by applying delays

- Requires high sampling rates and large data processing rates
- Subspace: One image trace requires 128 samplers @ 20M, beamforming to 150 points, a total of 6.3x10<sup>6</sup> sums/frame can reduce sampling rate by orders of magnitude

### **Processing Rates**

#### Goal: reduce ultrasound machines to a size of a laptop at same resolution



### Reflections from targets are received

- Target's ranges and velocities are identified
- Challenge:

Principle:

All processing is done digitally

A known pulse is transmitted

- Targets can lie on an arbitrary grid
- Process of digitizing
  - $\rightarrow$  loss of resolution in range-velocity domain

#### Subspace methods:





# **Resolution (1): Radar**





### **Resolution (2): Subwavelength Imaging**

Diffraction limit: Even a perfect optical imaging system has a resolution limit determined by the wavelength  $\lambda$ 

- The smallest observable detail is larger than ~  $\lambda/2$
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# **Imaging via Union Modeling**

#### Radar:



#### Subwavelength:





Bajwa et al., '11

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Gazit et al., '11

### Wideband Communication



• Unknown  $f_i$ , e.g. cognitive radio. Should we sample at  $2f_{\max}$ ?

#### Union modeling:

- Can sample at the actual information bandwidth, even though  $f_i$  are unknown
- Can process at low rate (no need to reconstruct Nyquist-rate samples)

### **Sub-Nyquist Demonstration**

#### Carrier frequencies are chosen to create overlayed aliasing at baseband



FM @ 631.2 MHz

Mishali et al., '10

### Xampling



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  - Move compression before ADC
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  - Move compression before ADC
  - Use nonlinear algorithms to interface with standard DSP and signal reconstruction
- Follow a set of design principles  $\rightarrow$  step from theory to hardware

### From Theory to Hardware



- See many more contributors in <u>compressive sensing hardware</u>
- Tutorial briefly covers circuit challenges in sub-Nyquist systems

Sub-Nyquist technology becomes feasible !

Can gain significant advantages in practical applications

# – Part 2 – Sub-Nyquist in a Subspace

 $\rightarrow$  Outline

### Shannon-Nyquist Sampling

#### **Theorem** [Bandlimited Sampling]

If a function x(t) contains no frequencies higher than W cycles-per-second, it is completely determined by giving its ordinates at a series of points spaced 1/2Wseconds apart

$$x(t) = \sum_{n} x\left(\frac{n}{2W}\right) \operatorname{sinc}(2Wt - n), \qquad \operatorname{sinc}(\alpha) = \frac{\sin(\pi\alpha)}{\pi\alpha}$$
Shannon, '49

$$t = nT \xrightarrow[n]{} \delta(t - nT)$$

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{} X(nT) \xrightarrow{} h(t) \xrightarrow{} \hat{x}(t)$$

Model:W-Bandlimited signalsSampling:Pointwise at rate  $1/T \ge 2W$ Reconstruction:Interpolation by h(t) = sinc(2Wt)

### **Avoiding High-Rate ADC**



### Papoulis' Theorem

Model:Sampling:

*W*-bandlimited (same) *M* branches sampled at 1/M the Nyquist rate,  $\frac{1}{T} \ge \frac{2W}{M}$ Flexible constraints on  $s_i(t), h_j(t)$ 



• Overall rate is 2*W* (same)

### **Time-Interleaved ADCs**

#### A high-rate ADC comprised of a bank of lowrate devices



### **Practical ADC Devices**



In time-interleaved architectures:

- The overall rate is Nyquist
- Each branch needs front-end with Nyquist bandwidth (will be important later)
- Accurate time delay are required  $\phi_i$

Black and Hodges, '80 Jenq, '90 Elbornsson *et al.*, '05 Divi and Wornell, '09 Murmann *et al.*, '09 Goodman *et al.*, '09 ...and more

### Generalized Sampling in a Subspace

**Model:** Shift-invariant (SI) subspace of possible inputs

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ x(t) = \sum_{n} d[n]a(t - nT), \quad d[n] \in \ell_{2}(\mathbb{R}) \right\}$$
$$a_{n}(t) = \operatorname{sinc}(2Wt - n)$$
$$\mathcal{A} = W\text{-bandlimited}$$
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Practical ! *e.g.*, splines, pulse amplitude modulation (PAM), and more...

**Sampling:** Inner products,  $c[n] = \langle x(t), s_n(t) \rangle$ 

$$s_n(t) = \delta(t - nT) \longrightarrow \text{ pointwise sampling } c[n] = x(nT)$$

$$t = nT$$

$$s_n(t) = s(t - nT) \longrightarrow x(t) \longrightarrow s(t) \longrightarrow c[n]$$

### **Reconstruction from Generalized Samples**

#### Shift-invariant case

• Model: 
$$x(t) = \sum_{n} d[n]a(t - nT) \longrightarrow X(\omega) = D(e^{j\omega T})A(\omega)$$

• Sampling:  $c[n] = \langle x(t), s(t - nT) \rangle$ 

$$c(e^{j\omega T}) = \sum_{k} X(\omega + 2\pi k) S^*(\omega + 2\pi k) = D(e^{j\omega T}) G_d(e^{j\omega T})$$

**Recovery:** Filter by  $G_d^{-1}(e^{j\omega T})$  to obtain d[n], then interpolate  $\hat{x}(t)$ 

$$x(t) \longrightarrow s(t) \xrightarrow{t = nT} \underbrace{c[n]}_{G_d^{-1}(e^{j\omega T})} \underbrace{d[n]}_{\mathcal{A}} \xrightarrow{f(t)} \hat{x}(t)$$

Sampling rate is  $\frac{1}{T}$  rather than the Nyquist rate of x(t)

• Approach does not depend on  $f_{\max}$ 

Aldroubi and Unser, '94 Christensen and Eldar, '05

#### Mishali-Eldar, ICASSP 2011
### **Multiple Shift-Invariant Generators**

$$x(t) = \sum_{l=1}^{N} \sum_{n} d_{l}[n]a_{l}(t - nT)$$

Sampling / Reconstruction:



• Sampling rate is  $\frac{N}{T} \rightarrow$  independent of  $f_{\text{max}}$ 

de Boor, DeVore and Ron , '94 Christensen and Eldar, '05

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## **Multiple Shift-Invariant Generators**

#### Model:

$$x(t) = \sum_{l=1}^{N} \sum_{n} d_{l}[n]a_{l}(t - nT)$$

Previous work extends theory to arbitrary subspacesMany beautiful results, and many contributors

(Unser, Aldroubi, Vaidyanathan, Blu, Jerri, Vetterli, Grochenig, DeVore, Christensen, Schoenberg, Eldar ...)

#### More information:

Y. C. Eldar and T. Michaeli, "Beyond Bandlimited Sampling," *IEEE Signal Proc. Magazine*, 26(3): 48-68, May 2009



 $k{\in}\mathbb{Z}$ 

Sampling rate is  $\frac{N}{T} \rightarrow$  independent of  $f_{\text{max}}$ 

de Boor, DeVore and Ron , '94 Christensen and Eldar, '05

## **Toy-Example (1)**

$$\sum_{n} \delta(t - nT)$$

$$x(t) \rightarrow s(t) \rightarrow c[n] \rightarrow G_{d}^{-1}(e^{j\omega T}) \rightarrow d[n] \rightarrow a(t) \rightarrow \hat{x}(t)$$
Model:  $x(t) = \sum d[n]a(t - nT)$ 
Sampling: choose  $s(t) = \delta(t)$ 
3 adjacent shifts contributes to each sample  $\sum Subspace$ 
Recovery: exploit known shape  $a(t)$ 

$$G_{d}^{-1}(e^{j\omega T}) = \frac{1}{\sum_{k} A(\omega - 2\pi k/T)}$$

• Rate:  $\frac{1}{T}$ 

•  $f_{\max}$  can be very high, since x(t) is not bandlimited

## **Toy-Example (2)**



• Model:  $a(t) = \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau} u(t) \xrightarrow{R} x(t)$ 





**Rate:**  $\frac{1}{T}$   $f_{\max}$  is high...





Lowpass data can contain all relevant information !

### **Pulse-streams (known locations)**

• **Model:** fixed delays  $t_n$ , unknown  $d_n$ 

$$x(t) = \sum_{n} d_n h(t - t_n)$$



- Sampling: design  $s_n(t) = h(t t_n)$  and sample  $c[n] = \langle x(t), s_n(t) \rangle$  $t_n$  and h(t) are known
- Recovery: {d<sub>n</sub>}, {c[n]} satisfy a linear system, with coefficients depending on t<sub>n</sub> and h(t)

 $c[n] = d_n ||h(t)||^2$  (for the easiest case with no overlaps)

- **Rate:** information rate = #pulses/second
- $f_{\max}$  is high, since x(t) is not bandlimited

## **Generalized Sampling in Practice**

$$x(t) \longrightarrow s(t) \xrightarrow{t = nT} \underbrace{c[n]}_{G_d^{-1}(e^{j\omega T})} \underbrace{d[n]}_{\mathcal{S}} \xrightarrow{f} a(t) \longrightarrow \hat{x}(t)$$

So far:

Toy-examples: perfect recovery of nonbandlimited inputs ! (A =SI)
 Pulse streams, A = known pulse shape and fixed delays

A common denominatorDesign assumptionSampling & processing rates $f_{\max}$ -bandlimitedHighexact knowledge  $x(t) \in \mathcal{A}$ Approach minimal

**Next slides:** Multiband signals, A = known carrier frequencies

### Multiband (known carriers)



• Model: narrowband transmissions in wideband range, modulated on carrier frequencies  $f_i \leq f_{\text{max}}$ 

- Sampling:
  - RF demodulation
  - Undersampling
  - Nonuniform strategies

Utilize knowledge  $x(t) \in \mathcal{A}$ 

Sampling and processing at rate  $f_{max}$  are often impractical

### Landau's Theorem

States the minimal sampling rate for any (pointwise) sampling strategy that utilizes frequency support knowledge

Theorem (known spectral support)

Let R be a sampling set for  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{F}} = \{x(t) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \mid \operatorname{supp} X(f) \subseteq \mathcal{F}\}$ . Then,

 $D^{-}(R) \ge \operatorname{meas}(\mathcal{F})$ 

Landau, '67

Average sampling rate

N bands, individual widths  $\leq B$ , requires at least *NB* samples/sec

Note: → bandpass with single-side width *B* requires 2*B* samples/sec
 → *k* transmissions result in *N* = 2*k* bands (conjugate symmetry)

### **RF** Demodulation



- $f_i$  value is used in sampling and reconstruction
- Analog preprocessing with RF devices (1 branch/transmission)
- Minimal rate: NB
- Zero-IF, low-IF topologies

Crols and Steyaert, '98

## Undersampling



**Sampling:** Select rate to satisfy ``alias free condition''

**Reconstruction:** Same as in RF demodulation

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## **Allowed Undersampling Rates**

Sampling rate must be chosen in accordance to band location:



Robustness to model mismatch requires significant rate increase

Multiband alias-free conditions are complicated and generally do not result in significant rate reduction

## **Periodic Nonuniform Sampling**

- Advantages:
  - No analog preprocessing
  - No ``alias-free'' conditions, work for multiband
  - Approach minimal rate *NB*



■ In general, a *p*′th-order PNS can resolve up to *p* aliases:

- Bandpass sampling at average rate 2*B*
- Multiband sampling at rate approaching minimal

Kohlenberg, '53 Lin and Vaidyanathan, '98

### **Reconstruction from 2<sup>nd</sup> order PNS**



■ Delays result in different linear combinations of the bands  $T_s Y_1(f) = X(f) + X(f - \beta(f)B)$   $T_s Y_2(f) = X(f) + X(f - \beta(f)B)e^{-j2\pi\beta(f)\phi B}$ Choose  $\phi$  such that  $e^{-j2\pi\beta(f)\phi B} \neq 1$ 

## **Multi-Coset Sampling**

#### PNS with delays $\{\phi_i\}$ on the Nyquist grid



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- Semi-blind approaches:
  - Choose  $\{\phi_i\}$  universally (or at random)
  - Design reconstruction filters  $g_1(t), \ldots, g_p(t)$
- Blind" recovery:
  - $\min_{|\mathcal{K}|=q} \operatorname{trace}(P_{\mathcal{K}}\mathbf{R}) \qquad \mathbf{R} = \text{measurements covariance}$

- Positions are implicitly assumed:
  - q = q(x(t)) depends on band positions
  - Recovery fails if incorrect value is used for *q*
  - Result requires random signal model, and holds *almost surely*

#### **Completely blind = Unknown carriers = not a subspace model !**



Herley et. al., '99 Bresler et al., '00

Bresler *et al.*, '96,'98

## **Short Summary**

#### Subspace models

- Linear, easy to treat mathematically
- Not necessarily bandlimited
- Generalized sampling theory
  - Treat arbitrary subspace models
  - Many classic approaches can be derived from theory
  - Rate is proportional to actual information rate rather than Nyquist

#### But, what if...

the input model is not linear ? (for example, when carrier frequencies or times of arrivals are unknown)

Answer: the rest of this tutorial

## **Nonlinear Models – Motivation**

Encountered in practical applications:

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## **Nonlinear Models – Motivation**

Encountered in practical applications:

- Cognitive radio mobiles utilize unused spectrum ``holes'', spectral map is unknown a-priori
- Ultrasound, reflections are intercepted at unknown delays



Do not fit subspace modeling ... we can always sample at rate  $2f_{\max}$ 

Questions:

- Better modeling? Subspace up to some uncertainty ?
- Can we sample and process at rates below  $2f_{\text{max}}$  with proper modeling?

# – Part 3 – Union of Subspaces

 $\rightarrow$  Outline

### Model

Signal belongs to one out of (possibly infinitely-)many subspaces

$$x(t) \in \mathcal{U}$$
  $\mathcal{U} = \bigcup_{\lambda \in \Lambda} \mathcal{A}_{\lambda}$ 

Lu and Do, '08 Eldar and Mishali, '09

- Each  $\lambda$  corresponds to a different subspace  $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda}$
- x(t) belongs to  $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda^*}$ , for some  $\lambda^* \in \Lambda \rightarrow But$ ,  $\lambda^*$  is unknown a-priori
- $\mathcal{U}$  is a nonlinear model:  $x, y \in \mathcal{U} \xrightarrow{\text{typically}} x + y \notin \mathcal{U}$

• A union is generally a true subset of its affine hull:

$$\mathcal{U} \subsetneq \Sigma = \{x + y \,|\, x, y \in \mathcal{U}\}$$

The union tells us more about the signal!

 $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda_2}$ 

x(t)

## **Union** Types

#### • 4 types:

 Mumber of subspaces

  $\mathcal{U}$   $|\Lambda| = \infty$   $|\Lambda| = \text{finite}$  

 Individual dim( $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda}$ ) =  $\infty$   $dim(\mathcal{A}_{\lambda}) = \infty$   $dim(\mathcal{A}_{\lambda}) = \text{finite}$ 

Legend:

- General analog union models Infiniteness enters in either  $\dim(\mathcal{A}_{\lambda})$  or  $|\Lambda|$
- Discrete models, *e.g.*, sparse trigonometric polynomials  $p(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} c_n e^{jnt}$ , with only *k* nonzero coefficients continuous-time signals with finite parameterization

## **Examples: Analog Unions (1)**



Sequences of innovation model has both dimensions infinite

Gedalyahu and Eldar, '09-'11

## **Examples: Analog Unions (2)**

• Multiband with unknown carrier frequencies  $\lambda = \{f_i\}$ 



Another viewpoint with |Λ| =finite and dim(A<sub>λ</sub>) = ∞ is described later on Mishali and Eldar '07-'11 (efficient hardware and software implementation)

### **Examples: Discrete Unions**

- Signal model has underlying finite parameterization
- Continuous-time examples:
  - Sparse trigonometric polynomials

 $p(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{N} c_n e^{jnt}$ , with only k nonzero coefficients

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Sparse piece-wise constant with integer knots



- Compressed sensing
- Block sparsity, tree-sparse models

Donoho, Candès-Romberg-Tao, '06 Baraniuk *et al.*, Eldar *et al.*, '09-'11





## **Compressed Sensing = Union**



- Denoising and deblurring
- Tracking and classification
- Compressed sensing

Donoho, Johnstone, Mallat, Sapiro, Ma, Vidal, Starck, ...

Candès, Romberg, and Tao '06 Donoho '06

## **Compressed Sensing**



- For sub-Nyquist sampling, our focus is on infinite unions
- We will start with compressed sensing (CS)
  - easier to explain
  - methods for infinite unions also rely on CS algorithms
- Following a short intro on CS  $\rightarrow$  Xampling and analog systems

## **Short Intro**

#### "Can we not just **directly measure** the part that will not end up being thrown away ?"

Donoho, '06





Original 2500 KB 100%



### In a Nutshell...



- Random projections
- $\blacksquare$  K non-zero values requires at least 2K measurements

Recovery: brute-force, convex optimization, greedy algorithms
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# Concept

#### Goal: Identify the bucket with fake coins.



### **Uniqueness of Sparse Representations**

- How many samples are needed to ensure uniqueness?
- Suppose there are two K-sparse vectors  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  satisfying

$$y = Ax_1 = Ax_2$$

Then 
$$A(x_1 - x_2) = 0$$

- In the worst case  $z = x_1 x_2$  is 2K sparse
- Require that there is no z with 2K non-zero elements in  $\mathcal{N}(A)$
- Every 2K columns of  $A_{m \times n}$  must be linearly independent  $\Rightarrow m \ge 2k$

#### Problem: Condition hard to verify

## Coherence

The coherence of *A* is defined by (assuming normalized columns)

$$\mu = \max_{i \neq j} \mid \langle a_i, a_j \rangle \mid$$

• When  $n \gg m$ ,  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} \le \mu \le 1$ 

• Uniqueness of *y*=Ax can be expressed in terms of  $\mu$  as

$$k < \frac{1}{2}\left(1 + \frac{1}{\mu}\right)$$

Under same condition we will see that efficient recovery is possible as well

Donoho et al., '01

## **Restricted Isometry Property (RIP)**

Candès and Tao, '05

- When noise is present uniqueness cannot be guaranteed
- Would like to ensure stability
- Can be guaranteed using RIP
- A has RIP of order  $\delta$  if

$$(1-\delta)\|x\|^2 \le \|Ax\|^2 \le (1+\delta)\|x\|^2$$

for any *k*–sparse vector *x* 

- In this case *A* is an approximate isometry
- If *A* has unit-columns and coherence  $\mu$  then it has the RIP with

$$\delta = k\mu$$

# **Recovery of Sparse Vectors**

• Reconstruction: Find the sparsest and consistent *x* 

(Requires 
$$m = 2K$$
)  $\min_{x} ||x||_0$  s.t.  $y = Ax$  NP-Hard !!

Alternative recovery algorithms (Polynomial-time):

Basis pursuit  $\min_{x} \|x\|_{1}$  s.t. y = Ax (Requires  $m = O(K \log(N/K))$ )
Convex and tractable Candès et al., '06RIP- $\delta_{2K} < \sqrt{2} - 1 \rightarrow$  exact recovery Candès, '08or coherence guarantee  $K < \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\mu}\right)$ Donoho and Elad, '03
Greedy algorithms OMP, FOCUSS, etc. OMP coherence guarantee  $K < \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + \frac{1}{\mu}\right)$ Tropp, Elad, Cotter et al., Chen et al., and many others...

## **Greedy Methods: Matching Pursuit**

Essential algorithm:

- Mallat and Zhang, '93
- 1) Choose the first "active" column (maximally correlated with y)

 $\arg \max_i \langle \mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{y} \rangle \qquad \qquad S = \operatorname{supp}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}) \leftarrow i$ 

2) Subtract off to form a residual

$$\mathbf{y}' = \mathbf{y} - \sum_{i \in S} \langle \mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{y} \rangle$$

3) Repeat with y'

Not as accurate/robust for large signals in the presence of noise

Orthogonal MP:

Pati *et al.,* '93

Improve residual computation

$$\mathbf{y}' = (\mathbf{I} - \mathcal{P}_S)\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}_S^{\dagger}\mathbf{y}$$
#### **Recovery In the Presence of Noise**

$$y = Ax + w$$

- $\ell_1$ -relaxation techniques (convex optimization problems)
  - Basis pursuit denoising (BPDN) / Lasso:

$$\min_{x} \|x\|_{1} \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|y - Ax\|_{2}^{2} \le \eta \quad \text{or} \quad \min_{x} \|x\|_{1} + \lambda \|y - Ax\|_{2}^{2}$$

Tibshirani '96 Chen *et* al., '98

Dantzig selector: 
$$\min_{x} \|x\|_1$$
 s.t.  $\|A^T(y - Ax)\|_{\infty}^2 \le \eta$ 

Candès and Tao, '07

Greedy approaches: stop when data error is on the order of the noise

#### **Recovery Gurantees**

$$y = Ax + w$$

Common settings:

- Random sensing matrix *A*, random noise  $w \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$ 
  - RIP (and similar properties) can be approximated w.h.p.
  - RIP-based guarantees for Dantzig selector and BPDN:  $||x - \hat{x}||_2^2 \le C_0 K \sigma^2 \log N$  assuming RIP

Candès and Tao, '07 Bicket *et al.*, 09

- Deterministic *A* and *x*, random  $w \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$ 
  - RIP typically unknown, coherence must be used
  - Coherence-based results for BPDN, OMP, thresholding:  $\|x - \hat{x}\|_2^2 \le C_0 K \sigma^2 \log N$  assuming low  $\mu$

Deterministic "adversarial" noise w:  $||w||_2^2 \le \epsilon^2$ 

• Guarantees on order of  $||x - \hat{x}||_2^2 \sim \epsilon^2$ 

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Donoho et al., '06

Ben-Haim, Eldar and Elad, '10

### The Sensing Matrix A

Random IID matrices ensure recovery with high probability for sub-Gaussian distributions (Gaussian, Rademacher , Bernoulli, bounded RVs ...) when  $m = O(K \log(N/K))$ 

Random partial Fourier matrices (or more generally unitary matrices) also ensure recovery with a slightly higher number of measurements
Candès et al., '06

Some structured matrices work as well such as a Vandermonde matrix

#### **Tutorials on Compressed Sensing:**

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Donoho, '06

#### Sub-Nyquist in a Union

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- High-sampling rate
- Analog bandwidth issues
- Load on the digital processing due to the excessive rate

 $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda_2}$ 

 $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda_1}$ 

 $\mathcal{A}_{\lambda_3}$ 

x(t)

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Generalized sampling theory for unions?
 Still developing...



...at the price of model sensitivity, high computational loads, and loss of resolution

**Rule of thumb: 1 MHz Nyquist = CS with 1 Million unknowns !** 

Instead of analog multiband:  $\begin{array}{c}
B = 50 \text{ MHz} \\
\hline
M = 6 \\
\hline
f \\
0 \quad f_1 \quad f_2 \quad f_N \quad f_{\text{max}} \\
5 \text{ GHz} \\
\end{array}$ Advantages:

Work with **discrete multi-tone**:



Model size:

$$\Phi = N \times \frac{f_{\max}}{B} \approx 40 \times 200$$

Proportional to actual bandwidth

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Negligible (for a slight rate increase)





0.005% grid mismatch

$$\frac{\|f(t) - \hat{f}(t)\|^2}{\|f(t)\|^2} = 37\%$$

Mishali, Eldar and Elron, '10

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Computational load (100 MHz processer):

 $\approx 200$ Realtime processing  $\approx 10^9 \text{ MIPS}$ 

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#### **Discrete CS Radar**



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# **ADCs: Why Not Standard CS?**

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- Loss in resolution when discretizing
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- Is not able to exploit structure in analog signals
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#### More elaborate signal models needed that exploit structure to reduce sampling and processing rates

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   Still developing...
- Apply CS on discretized analog models?
   Discretization issues...

#### Must combine ideas from Sampling theory and CS recovery algorithms









#### Functional approach to sub-Nyquist in a Union

- CS+Sampling = Xampling
- X prefix for compression, e.g. DivX

#### **Standard DSP Systems**



- Sampling and processing at high rates = Nyquist of x(t)
- After compression, data has low rate
- Standard DSP software expects Nyquist-rate samples rely on invariant properties x(t) ↔ x(nT) (enables digital filtering / digital estimation for example)

#### Move compression to hardware before ADC !

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# Xampling: Main Idea

#### Principle #1 (X-ADC):

- Create several streams of data
- Each stream is sampled at a low rate (overall rate much smaller than the Nyquist rate)
- Each stream contains a combination from different subspaces

#### New hardware design ideas

#### Principle #2 (X-DSP):

- Identify subspaces involved (*e.g.*, using CS)
- Recover using standard sampling results

#### New DSP algorithms

Detection  $x(t) \in \mathcal{A}_{\lambda^*}$ 

Nonlinear



### Xampling Systems

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Dragotti et al., '02-'07

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Gedalyahu, Tur and Eldar, '10-'11

Tropp et al., '09

Eldar, '09

### **Multiband Union**



- 1. Each band has an uncountable number of non-zero elements
- 2. Band locations lie on the continuum
- 3. Band locations are unknown in advance

 $\mathcal{M} = \{ x(t) \mid \text{ no more than } N \text{ bands, max width } B, \text{ bandlimited to} [-\frac{1}{2}f_{NYQ}, +\frac{1}{2}f_{NYQ}) \}$ 

Mishali and Eldar, '07

#### **Optimal Blind Sampling Rate**

Theorem (known spectral support)

Let R be a sampling set for  $\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{F}} = \{x(t) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \mid \operatorname{supp} X(f) \subseteq \mathcal{F}\}.$ Then,

$$\mathcal{D}^{-}(R) \not\geq c \neq \operatorname{meas}(\mathcal{F})$$

Landau, '67

#### Theorem (unknown spectral support)

Average sampling rate

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Let R be a sampling set for  $\mathcal{N}_c = \{\mathcal{B}_{\mathcal{F}} : \text{meas}(\mathcal{F}) \leq c\}.$ Then,

$$D^{-}(R) \ge \min\{2c, f_{\mathrm{NYQ}}\}$$

Mishali and Eldar, '07

- 1. The minimal rate is doubled
- 2. *N* bands, individual widths  $\leq B$ , requires at least 2NB samples/sec

#### The Modulated Wideband Converter



#### **Recovery From Xamples**



- Cannot invert a fat matrix!
- Spectrum sparsity: Most of the  $z_i[n]$  are identically zero
- For each *n* we have a small size CS problem
- Problem: CS algorithms for each  $n \rightarrow$  many computations

### **Reconstruction Approach**



### **Underlying Theory**

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{y}(\lambda) = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{z}(\lambda), & \lambda \in \Gamma \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \mathbf{y}(\Gamma) & \mathbf{Construct a frame} & \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{Solve MMV} & \mathbf{supp}(\bar{\mathbf{U}}) \\ \mathbf{V} \text{ for } \mathbf{y}(\Gamma) & \mathbf{V} & \mathbf{V} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{U} \end{array}$$

Theorem [Exact Support Recovery, CTF]

Let  $\bar{\mathbf{z}}(\Gamma)$  be a k-sparse solution set. If  $\sigma(\mathbf{A}) \geq 2k - (\operatorname{rank}(\mathbf{y}(\Gamma)) - 1)$ then  $\operatorname{supp}(\bar{\mathbf{z}}(\Gamma)) = \operatorname{supp}(\bar{\mathbf{U}})$ . Mishali and Eldar, '08

#### CTF = Continuous to Finite

#### Insight into CTF

$$\mathbf{y}[n] = \mathbf{Az}[n]$$
Run CS recovery  
for each time-instance n
Poly.-time /  $\mathbf{y}[n]$ 
nonlinear
Computationally heavy
1. Construct frame  $\mathbf{V}$ 
 $\mathcal{O}(k)$  snapshots
easy
2. Solve CS system  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{AU}$ 
Poly.-time once
nonlinear

3. Apply  $\mathbf{A}_{S}^{\dagger}$  on  $\mathbf{y}[n]$  for each time-instance n

1 matrix-vector mult. /  $\mathbf{y}[n]$  linear

#### **Computationally light**

### Reconstruction





Recover any desired spectrum slice at baseband

### Reconstruction



### Reconstruction



Can reconstruct:

- The original analog input exactly  $\hat{x}(t) = x(t)$  (without noise)
- Improve SNR for noisy inputs, due to rejection of out-of-band noise
- Any band of interest, modulated on any desired carrier frequency

### Sign-Flipping Periodic Waveforms

$$p_i(t) = \prod_{\substack{0 \\ 0 \\ T_p}} \longrightarrow \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{SF} \begin{cases} \mathbf{S} = \text{rectangular (signs)} \\ \mathbf{F} = \text{square (DFT)} \end{cases}$$

#### **Theorem [Expected-RIP for MWC]**

Periodic mixing with sign patterns gives  $\mathbf{A}$  with ExRIP probability

$$p \ge 1 - \frac{(1 - C_k)\rho_M \left(1 + \boldsymbol{\alpha}(\mathbf{S}) - 2\boldsymbol{\beta}(\mathbf{S})\right) - (B_k - C_k)\rho_M \left(\boldsymbol{\gamma}(\mathbf{S}) - \boldsymbol{\beta}(S)\right) + C_k M \boldsymbol{\beta}(\mathbf{S}) - 1}{\delta_k^2}$$

TABLE II: ExRU	9 guarantees	for	different	sign	patterns
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	Dimensions		Quality ×100			ExRIP prob. p		
Family	m	M	2K	$oldsymbol{lpha}(\mathbf{S})$	$oldsymbol{eta}(\mathbf{S})$	$oldsymbol{\gamma}(\mathbf{S})$	Normal	Uniform
Maximal	80	511	24	1.438	0.196	0.408	0.932	0.931
Gold	80	511	24	1.255	0.198	0.199	0.939	0.939
Hadamard	80	512	24	1.250	1.094	1.238	0.000	0.000
Random1	80	511	24	1.439	0.198	0.202	0.927	0.927
Kasami	16	255	12	6.667	0.392	0.294	0.689	0.675
Random2	40	195	24	3.025	0.526	0.537	0.856	0.858

 $\alpha(\mathbf{S}) = \text{correlations energy}$ 

- $\beta(\mathbf{S}) = \operatorname{auto/cross-correlations}$
- $\gamma(\mathbf{S}) = \text{reverse-correlations}$

Mishali and Eldar, '09

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Good news: only the periodicity matters !

Competing approaches (pure CS) struggle with time appearance



#### Simulation



**Theory:** P.R. requires 1.2 GHz (=4NB with SBR4)

In practice: 99% recovery (out of 500 trials) 7 channels × 250 MHz each =1.8 GHz (S-OMP algorithm)

CTF observes the input for 2  $\mu$ secs only !

Can further reduce the system to 4 channels  $\times$  450 MHz (CTF with 10  $\mu$ secs) 1 channel  $\times$  1.8 GHz (CTF with 40  $\mu$ secs)



#### Sub-Nyquist Demonstration

#### Carrier frequencies are chosen to create overlayed aliasing at baseband



Mishali et al., '10

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#### **Fully-Blind PNS Approach**



#### Mishali-Eldar, ICASSP 2011
# **Can Avoid RF Front-end ?**



• YES! If the input bandwidth is not too high...

### **Practical ADC Devices**



In non-uniform sampling:

- Both T/H and mux operate at the Nyquist rate
- Digital processing and recovery requires interpolation to the high Nyquist grid
- Accurate time-delays  $\phi_i$  are needed

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### **Sparse Shift-Invariant Framework**

Eldar, '09

Sampling signals from a structured union of shift-invariant spaces (SI)

$$x(t) = \sum_{|l|=k} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} d_{l}[n]a_{l}(t-n)$$

There is no prior knowledge on the exact |l| = k indices in the sum



Sampling kernels

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#### **Pulse Streams**



- Applications: Communication Radar Bioimaging Neuronal signals
- Special case of Finite Rate of Innovation (FRI) signals

Vetterli *et al.,* '02

• Minimal sampling rate – the rate of innovation:  $\rho = \frac{2L}{T}$ 

# **Analog Sampling Stage**

Naïve attempt: direct sampling at low rateMost samples do not contain information!!

Sampling rate reduction requires proper design of the analog front-end

Special cases:

Periodic pulse streams

Finite



Vetterli et al., '02-'05

Dragotti *et al.,* '07-'10 Tur *et al.,* '10-'11

Infinite pulse streams



#### Mishali-Eldar, ICASSP 2011

# **Periodic Pulse Streams**



$$x(t) = \sum \sum a_{\ell} h(t - t_{\ell} - k\tau), \ t_{\ell} \in [0, \tau)$$

The Once the Fourier coefficients are known,
 Si Standard solutions exist.
 Challenge: <u>How can we obtain the coefficients?</u>



l=1

- Solved using 2L measurements
  - Methods: annihilating filter, MUSIC, ESPRIT

Schmidt, '86

et al., '02-'05

Roy and Kailath, '89

Stoica and Moses, '97

# **General Approach**



## **Find Fourier Coefficients**

Fourier series of a periodic input:

$$x(t) = \sum_{\ell=1}^{L} a_l h(t - t_\ell) \longrightarrow X[k] = H\left(\frac{2\pi k}{T}\right) \sum_{l=1}^{L} a_l e^{-j2\pi k t_l/T}$$

 $\mathbf{x} = [\cdots X[k] \cdots]^T$  Unknown

Sensing with lowpass:

$$c[n] = \langle s(t - nt), x(t) \rangle = \sum_{k} X[k] \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{j2\pi kT/\tau} s^{*}(t - nT) dt$$

$$= \sum_{k} X[k] e^{j2\pi knT/\tau} S^{*} \left(\frac{2\pi k}{\tau}\right) = \sum_{k=-L}^{L} X[k] e^{j2\pi knT/\tau} S^{*} \left(\frac{2\pi k}{\tau}\right) \longrightarrow \mathbf{C} = \underbrace{\mathbf{VS}}_{\mathbf{Q}} \mathbf{X}$$

$$S^{*}(\omega) = \mathrm{CTFT}\{\mathbf{s}(t)\} \qquad \mathbf{V} \quad \mathrm{diagonal} \ \mathbf{S} \qquad \mathbf{C} = [\cdots c[n] \cdots]^{T}$$

$$\mathrm{lowpass} \rightarrow \neq 0, -L \leq k \leq L \qquad \mathbf{Known}$$

measurements

Find

Fourier Coefficiens  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{Q}^{\dagger}\mathbf{c}$ 

x

c[n]

# Annihilating ``Filter''

Goal: design a digital filter A[k] with *z*-transform:

$$A(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{L} A[k] z^{-k} = A[0] \prod_{l=1}^{L} \left( 1 - e^{-j2\pi t_{\ell}/\tau} z^{-1} \right) \qquad \{t_l, a_l\}_{l=1}^{L}$$

- A[k] has zeros at the ``frequencies''  $t_{\ell} \longrightarrow$  annihilates X[k]
- Filter coefficients can be computed from the measurements:

$$A[k] * X[k] = 0 \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} X[0] & X[-1] & \cdots & X[-L] \\ X[1] & X[0] & \cdots & X[-(L-1)] \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ X[L] & X[L-1] & \cdots & X[0] \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} A[0] \\ A[1] \\ \vdots \\ A[L] \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$$

 $\mathbf{X}$ 

# **X-ADC: Filter Choice**

$$x(t) \xrightarrow{s^*(-t)} \underbrace{c[n]}_{t = nT}$$

#### **Theorem** [Sufficient Condition]

If the filter  $s^*(-t)$  satisfies :

 $S^*(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \omega = 2\pi k/\tau, k \notin \mathcal{K} \\ \text{nonzero} & \omega = 2\pi k/\tau, k \in \mathcal{K} \\ \text{arbitrary otherwise,} \end{cases}$ and  $N \ge |\mathcal{K}|$ , then the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  can be obtained from the samples  $c[n], n = 1 \dots N$ .



Tur, Eldar and Friedman, '11

# **Special Cases**



# **Finite Pulse Streams**

- SoS filter can be used for finite streams due to its finite support!
- Not true for LPF or other filters with long support

Far more robust than Spline based methods – works even for high *L*!



### **Multichannel Scheme**



- Supports general pulse shapes (time limited)
- Operates at the rate of innovation
- Stable in the presence of noise
- Practical implementation based on the MWC
- Single pulse generator can be used

$$\mathbf{r} = \sum_k s_{i\ell} e^{-j2\frac{\pi}{T}kt}$$

$$\mathbf{S} = [s_{i\ell}]$$

### Filter Bank Approach



The analog sampling filter "smoothens" the input signal: Gedalyahu and Eldar, '09
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- Allows sampling of short-length pulses at low rate
- **CS interpretation:** each sample is a linear combination of the signal's values.  $t = m^T$
- The digital correction filter-bank:
  - Removes the pulse and sampling kernel effects
  - Samples at its output satisfy:

 $\mathbf{d}[n] = \mathbf{V}(\tau_i)\mathbf{a}[n] \quad \mathbf{V}(\tau_i) \text{ is Vandermonde}$ 

 $s_i^*(-t)$ 

The delays can be recovered using ESPRIT as long as  $W \ge 2\pi K_{\tau}/T_0$ 

#### Noise Robustness



The proposed scheme is stable even for high rates of innovation!

### Application: Multipath Medium Identification

Gedalyahu and Eldar, '09-'10



- Medium identification:
  - Recovery of the time delays
  - Recovery of time-variant gain coefficients

The proposed method can recover the channel parameters from sub-Nyquist samples

## **Application: Radar**

- Each target is defined by:
  - Range delay
  - Velocity doppler
- Targets can be identified with **infinite resolution** as long as the time-bandwidth product satisfies  $TW \ge 2\pi(K+1)^2$







#### Bajwa, Gedalyahu and Eldar, '11

# Xampling in Ultrasound Imaging

#### **Motivation**

- Generate a two-dimensional focused ultrasound image while reducing the sampling rate in each active element far below the Nyquist rate
- Sample rate reduction leads to significant reduction of data size, and implies potential reduction of machinery size and power consumption, while maintaining image quality



# **Xampling in Ultrasound Imaging**

#### Main Results

- A scheme which enables reconstruction of a two dimensional image, from samples obtained at a rate 10-15 times below Nyquist
- The resulting image depicts strong perturbations in the tissue

generated from samples





Xampled B-mode image, generated from samples obtained at 0.17 Nyquist Rate

# Ultrasound Imaging & FRI



# **Ultrasound Experiment**

- Real data acquired by GE Healthcare's Vivid-i imaging system
- Method applied on noisy signal
- Excellent reconstruction from sub-Nyquist samples
- Poor SNR motivates integration of the data from multiple receivers



#### Beamforming in the Compressed Domain



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RF ultrasound data provided by Dr. Omer Oralkan and Prof. Pierre Khuri-Yakub of the E. L. Ginzton Laboratory at Stanford University.



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Tropp et al., '09

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Reconstruction:

$$f(t) \longrightarrow \int_{t-\frac{1}{W}}^{t} \xrightarrow{x[k]} x[k] \xrightarrow{\text{Multiply by } \pm 1}_{\text{Sum every } R \text{ values}} \xrightarrow{y[n]} y[n]$$

Integers  $W, R, \frac{W}{R}$ 



Tropp et al., '09

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Integers  $W, R, \frac{W}{R}$  + multitone input  $(a'_{\omega} = c_{\omega}a_{\omega})$ :



• Use CS solvers to recover a, then reconstruct f(t)

- Numerical simulations: 32 kHz AM signal recovered from sampling at 10% Nyquist rate
   Tropp et al., '09
- Similar to MWC? Next part describes the differences...

# Nyquist Folding

Rate reduction using nonlinear sampling effects:

$$\begin{array}{c} t = nT \\ x(t) & \longrightarrow \\ & & \downarrow \\ & & \downarrow \\ & & & \downarrow \\ & & & & \\ & & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & & & \\ & &$$

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# Summary: Xampling Systems

Model	$\begin{array}{c} \textbf{Union dim.} \\ \Lambda, \mathcal{A}_\lambda \end{array}$	Strategy	X-ADC	X-DSP
Multiband	finite $\infty$	MWC Mishali-Eldar 09	Periodic mixing	CTF
		PNS Mishali-Eldar 08	time shifts	CTF
		Nyquist-folding Fudge et al. 08	Jittered undersampling	
Sparse shift-invariant	finite $\infty$	Eldar 08	Filter-bank	CTF
FRI (time-delays)	$\infty$ finite	Periodic Vetterli et al. 02-05	Lowpass	Annihilating filter
		One-shot Dragotti et al. 07	Splines	Moments factoring
		Periodic/one-shot Gedlyahu-Tur-Eldar 09-10	Sum-of-Sincs filtering	Annihilating filter
Sequences of innovation	$\infty \infty$	Gadlyahu-Eldar 09	Lowpass or periodic mixing + integration	MUSIC or ESPRIT
Harmonic tones	finite finite	RD Tropp et al. 09	Sign flipping + integration	CS

``Xampling: Signal Acquisition and Processing in Union of Subspaces'', Mishali, Eldar and Elron, TSP '11

# – Part 5 – From Theory to Hardware

 $\rightarrow$  Outline

### **Theory vs. Practice**

Practical considerations affect the choice of a sampling solution

#### Example 1: Multiband sampling (known carriers $f_i$ )

	RF demodulation	Nonuniform methods
Minimal analog preprocessing		$\checkmark$
ADC with low analog bandwidth	$\checkmark$	



#### Example 1: Pulse streams (known delays $t_n$ )

	$s_n(t) = h(t - t_n)$	Digital match filter
Low sampling rate	$\checkmark$	
Robustness to model mismatch		$\checkmark$


### **ADC Market**



- State-of-the-art ADCs generate Nyquist samples
- Today's challenges:
  - Increase sampling rate (Giga-samples/sec)
  - Increase front-end bandwidth
  - Increase (effective) number of bits

# Sub-Nyquist: Practical Challenges

- Goal: Shift  $f_{\text{max}}$  challenge away from ADC technology
- No free lunches ! Signal has frequencies until  $f_{max}$
- Nyquist will enter elsewhere into system design

### Practical design metrics:

- robustness to model mismatches
- flexible hardware design
- light computational loads
- imaging: high resolution
- noise performance
- power, area, size, cost, …

Next slides:

- Study practical metrics of example sub-Nyquist systems (RD/MWC)
- Glance into sub-Nyquist circuit challenges
- Sub-Nyquist imaging: analog vs. discrete CS

Focus of this part

## **Random Demodulator**



 $\rightarrow W, R$  must be integer multiplies of tones grid spacing



Reported hardware: W = 800 kHz, R = 100 kHzRagheb et al., '08DSP processor 160 MHzYu et al., '10

### **Modulated Wideband Converter**

### Robustness:

 $m \ge 2N, \ 1/T_p \ge B$  (basic setup)

Inequalities allow model mismatches

### Required hardware accuracy:

- $p_i(t) = \text{periodic waveforms} \begin{cases} \text{``Nice''} \\ \text{freq.-domain} \\ \text{appearance} \end{cases}$

Nonideal lowpass response can be compensated digitally Chen *et* al., '10

**Computational load:**  $f_{NYQ} = 5 \text{ GHz}, N = 6, B = 50 \text{ MHz}$ 

CS system size:  $40 \times 200$ linear real-time reconstruction

**Reported hardware:**  $f_{NYQ} = 2.2 \text{ GHz}$ , sampling rate 280 MHz 10msec recovery (on PC-MATLAB)

Mishali et al., '11



### Hardware Accuracy

### Sign alternating functions at 2 GHz rate

### Time appearance



### Frequency appearance



# Comparison

Visually-similar systems – major differences in practical metrics





- No free lunches... Nyquist enters in:
- Time-domain accuracy
- Computational loads

- Freq.-domain accuracy (handled by RF front-end)
- Similar conclusions in other applications?

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- Samples do not typically interface with standard processing methods

More details in: M. Mishali, Y. C. Eldar, and A. Elron, "Xampling: Signal acquisition and processing in union of subspaces"

### Besides union models and Xampling there are many more challenges !

# **Stepping CS to Practice**

- Address wideband noise and dynamic range:
  - Since *x* is noisy: y=A(x+e)+w, *e*=wideband noise
  - MWC/PNS: Nyquist-bandwidth noise is aliased
  - RD: noise is folded from all possible tone locations
  - Large interference will swamp ADC
- Integrate into existing systems
  - Minimal (preferably no) modification to hardware
  - *e.g.,* reprogramming firmware, rewiring, etc.
  - Deal with large analog BW and wide dynamic range
- Prove cost-effective
  - Rate is only one factor ! Digital complexity is not less important
  - Improve effective number of bits / Xample
- Next slides: quick glance at circuit challenges + applications

## A 2.4 GHz Prototype





- 2.3 GHz Nyquist-rate, 120 MHz occupancy
- 280 MHz sampling rate
- Wideband receiver mode:
  - 49 dB dynamic range
  - SNDR > 30 dB over all input range

### ADC mode:

- 1.2 volt peak-to-peak full-scale
- 42 dB SNDR = 6.7 ENOB
- Off-the-shelf devices, ~5k\$, standard PCB production

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## **Circuit Design (2)**



- Analog board
  - m=4 channels
  - 1:4 Split + mixing + filtering
  - Filter cutoff 33 MHz
  - Sampling rate 70 MHz per channel (scope)

- Digital board: sign alternating sequences
  - 2.075 GHz VCO
  - Discrete ECL shift-register
  - M=108 bits
  - 4 Outputs (taps of the register)

## **Circuit Design (3)**



- Wideband receiver mode:
  - Gain control on the input
  - Design specifications: Power out > -7 dBm
    SNDR > 30 dB
    over all input range
  - Gives 49 dB dynamic range





# Analog Design



# **Digital Design**



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# **Mixing with Periodic Functions**



# **Highly-Transient Periodic Waveforms**



- We selected the sign pattern which gives about the same harmonic levels
- Tap locations: 5<sup>th</sup> bit in every consecutive 24 bits (layout considerations only)

# Sub-Nyquist Demonstration

### Carrier frequencies are chosen to create overlayed aliasing at baseband



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# **Application: Cognitive Radio**



Xampling for Spectrum Sensing



For example:



m = 4 channels, sampling rate = 70 MHz/channel

Covers 2 GHz spectrum bandwidth

Holes detection up to tens of kHz resolution

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# Simulations

- 3 QPSK transmissions, Symbol rate = 30 MHz,  $f_{max} = 5 \text{ GHz}$
- Quality measure, CFO = Carrier frequency offset
- Satisfies IEEE 802.11 40ppm specifications of standard transmissions around 3.75 GHz



## **Experiments**



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# **Take-Home Message**



Must combine ideas from Sampling theory and algorithms from CS

- CS+Sampling = Xampling
- X prefix for compression, e.g. DivX

# Summary: Next Big Challenge

- Develop cost-effective CS hardware solutions
- Address wideband noise and dynamic range
- Integrate into existing hardware solutions
- Innovate at the circuit level: wideband input and large dynamic range
- Design provable hardware
  - at lab
  - on-board
  - on-chip
- Become a mature technology !

# Conclusions Q & A

 $\rightarrow$  Outline

## Conclusions

- Union of subspaces: broad and flexible model
- Can lead to simple and efficient algorithms
- Includes analog signal models
- Sub-Nyquist sampler in hardware
- Compressed sensing of many classes of analog signals
- Many research opportunities: extensions, robustness, hardware, mathematical ...

Compressed sensing can be extended practically to the infinite analog domain!

# Opinion

- Burst of innovative publications
- Theory is still developing, yet the basic principles are understood
- Next frontier: Hardware implementations
- Become a mature technology !

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# **Online Demonstrations**

### • GUI package of the MWC



### Video recording of sub-Nyquist sampling + carrier recovery in lab



# Xampling Website

### webee.technion.ac.il/people/YoninaEldar/xampling\_top.html



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