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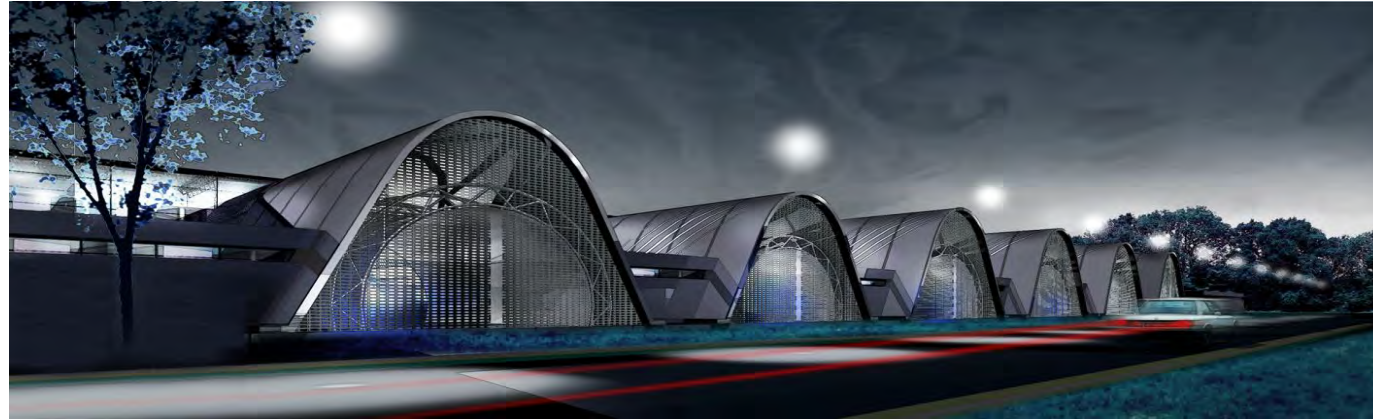
Computational MRI in the deep learning era

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Inria-CEA MIND team

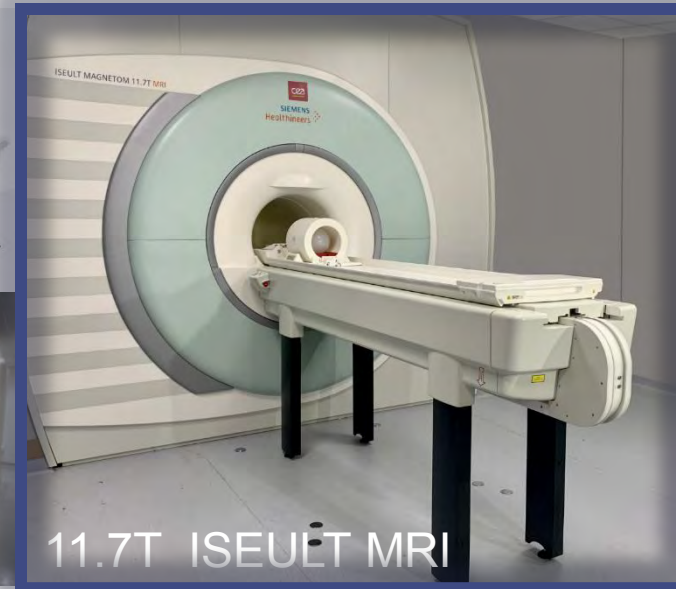
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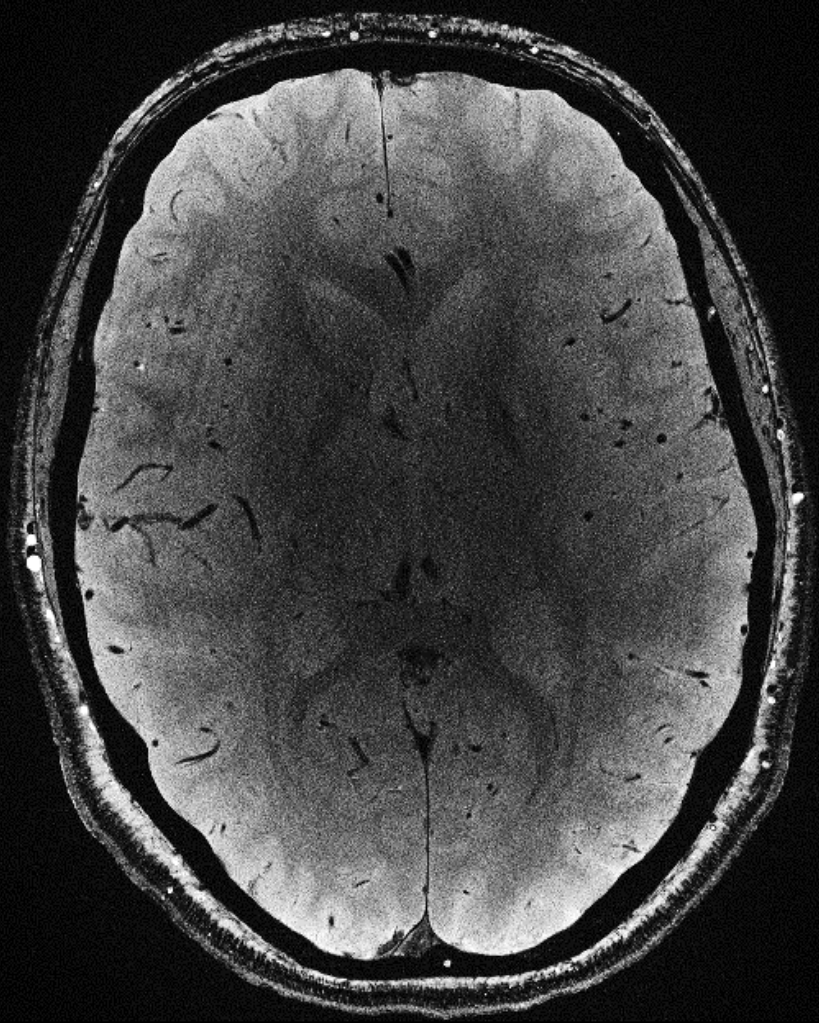


NeuroSpin: A unique facility for Brain Imaging

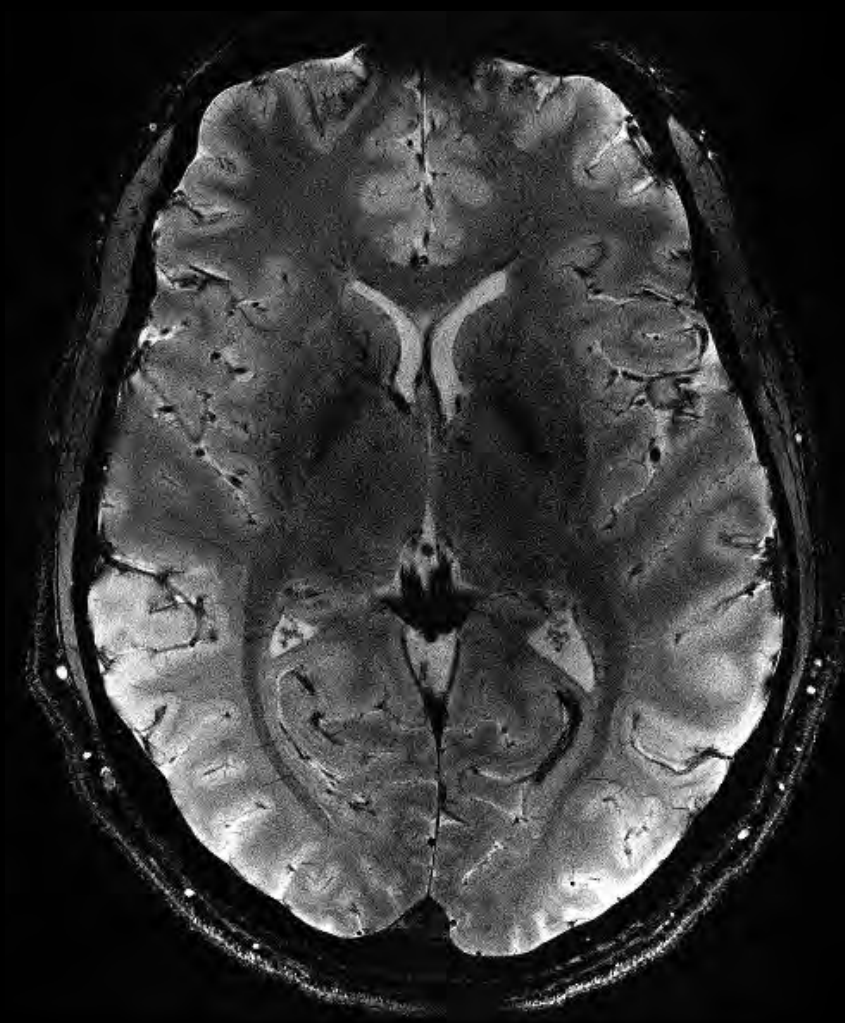


Probe the human brain singularity at unprecedented scale using outstanding scanners

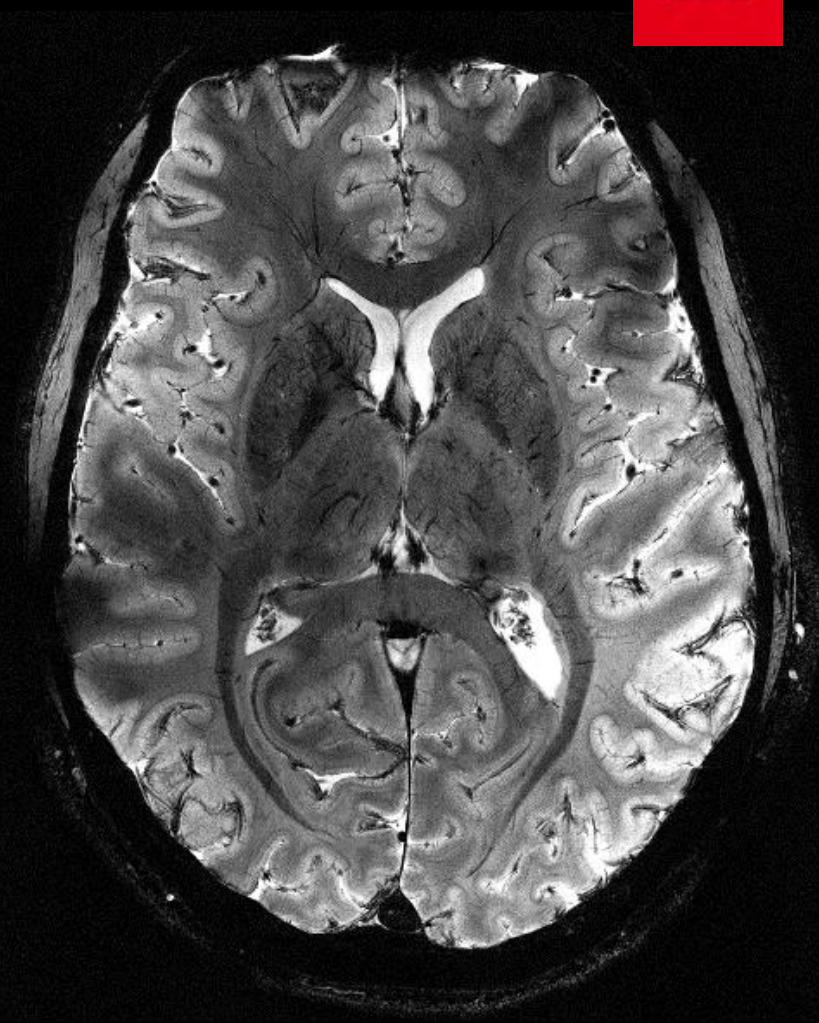




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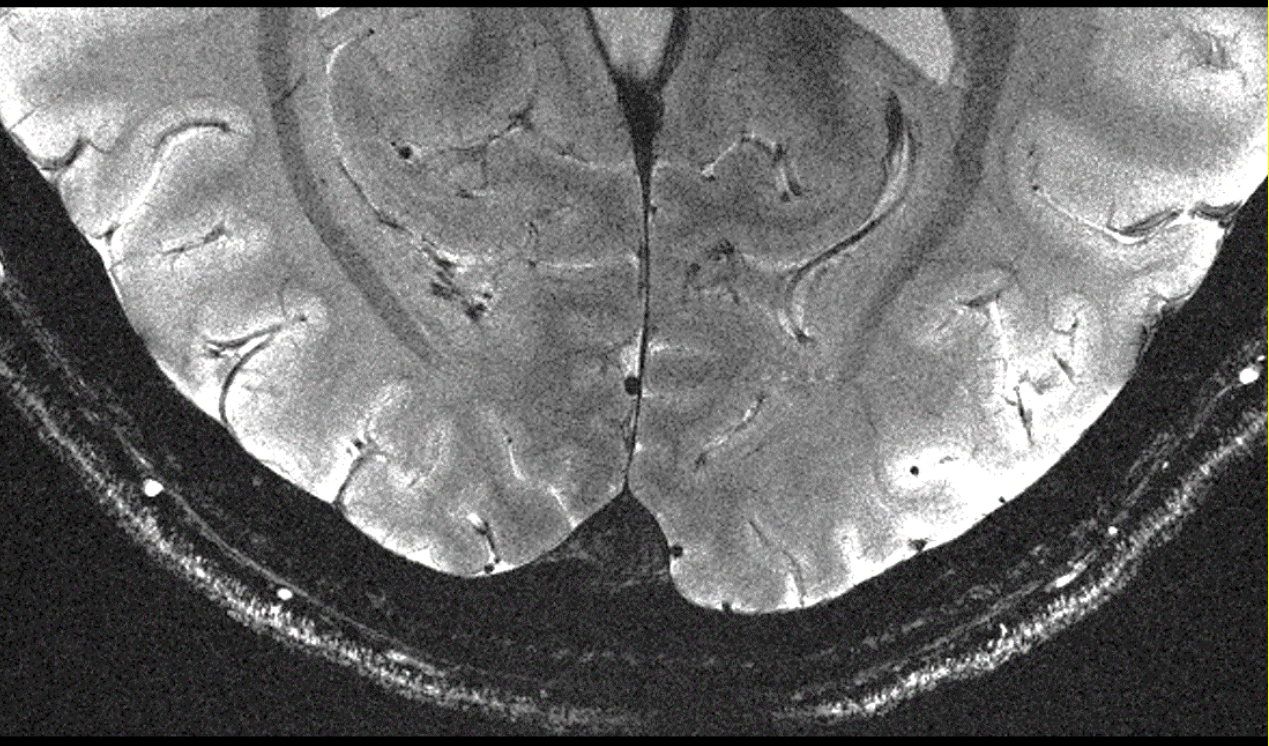
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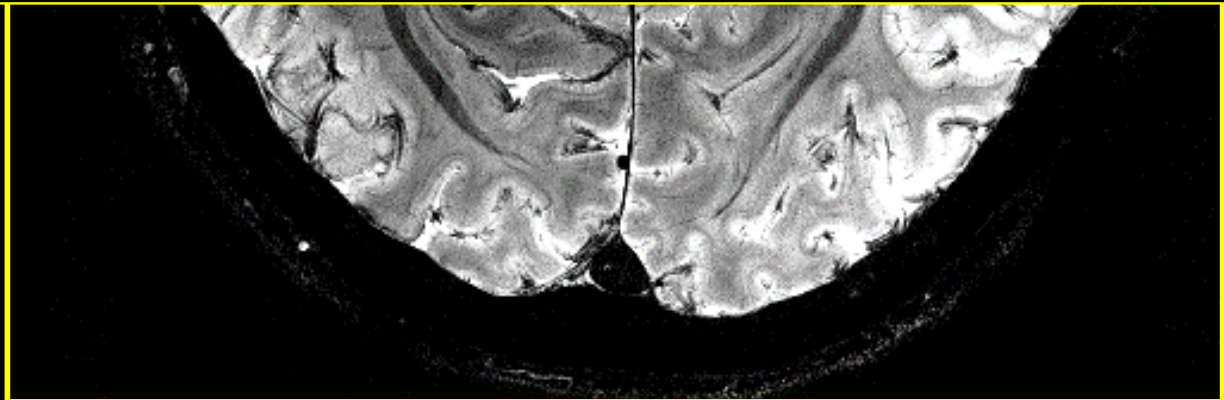
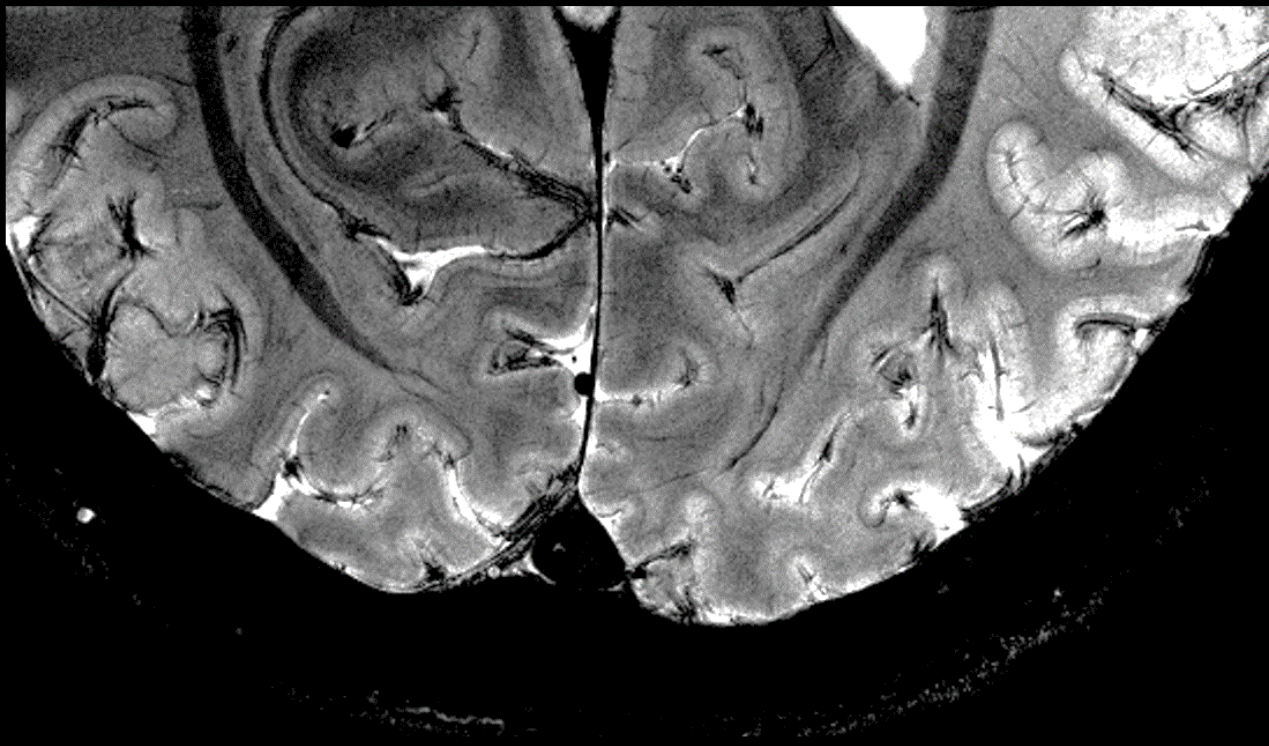
11.7T

Spatial resolution = $0.2 \times 0.2 \times 1.0 \text{ mm}^3$, Acquisition Time = 4 min 20 s

7T



11.7T



Scientific & General Public Communication

Mauconduit et al. Proc Intl Soc Magn Reson Med 2024



Boulant et al. Nat Methods in press

<https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-3931535/v1>

The CEA decided to maintain an embargo over this study till the end of the clinical investigation. Then they launched their communication plan...

Impact?

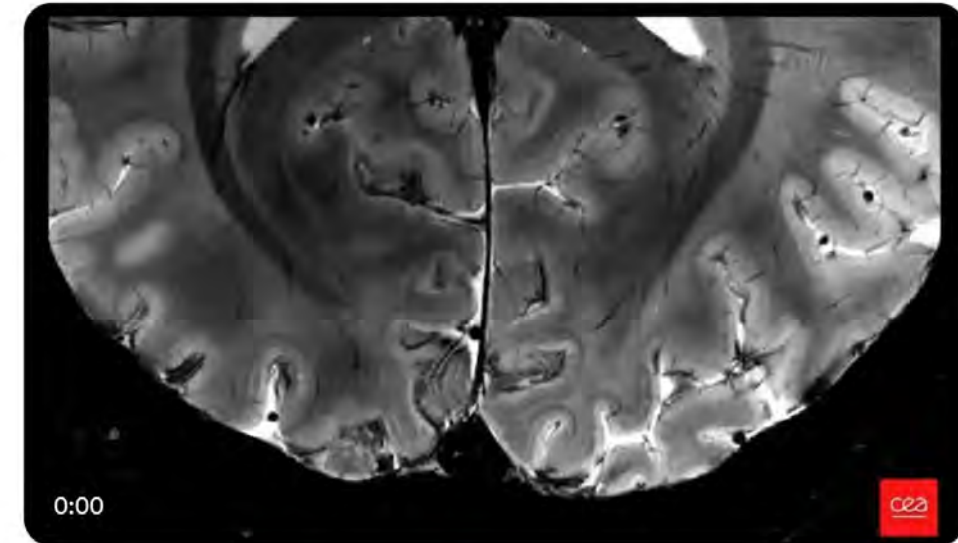


Emmanuel Macron @EmmanuelMacron · 2 avr.

Voici l'image du cerveau la plus précise de l'Histoire, obtenue grâce au scanner IRM du CEA, le plus puissant au monde.

C'est une avancée majeure et un espoir immense pour l'étude de notre santé. Félicitations à l'équipe du projet **Iseult**.

Fierté française !



1k

1k

11k

1M



Huge impact!

BFM TV 06.12 DIRECT



ALERTE INFO - Crues : la vigilance rouge est maintenue pour le département de l'Yonne (Météo-France)

Le cerveau comme vous ne l'avez jamais vu: l'IRM la plus puissante au monde a été dévoilée

Le 03/04/2024 à 6:40 | Durée : 2:00

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SCIENTES - CERVEAU

Le cerveau la plus puissante du monde

Après plus de vingt années de recherche, les premières images de cerveau dévoilées.

Par Hervé Morin
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les images de cerveau la plus puissante du monde

Rechercher

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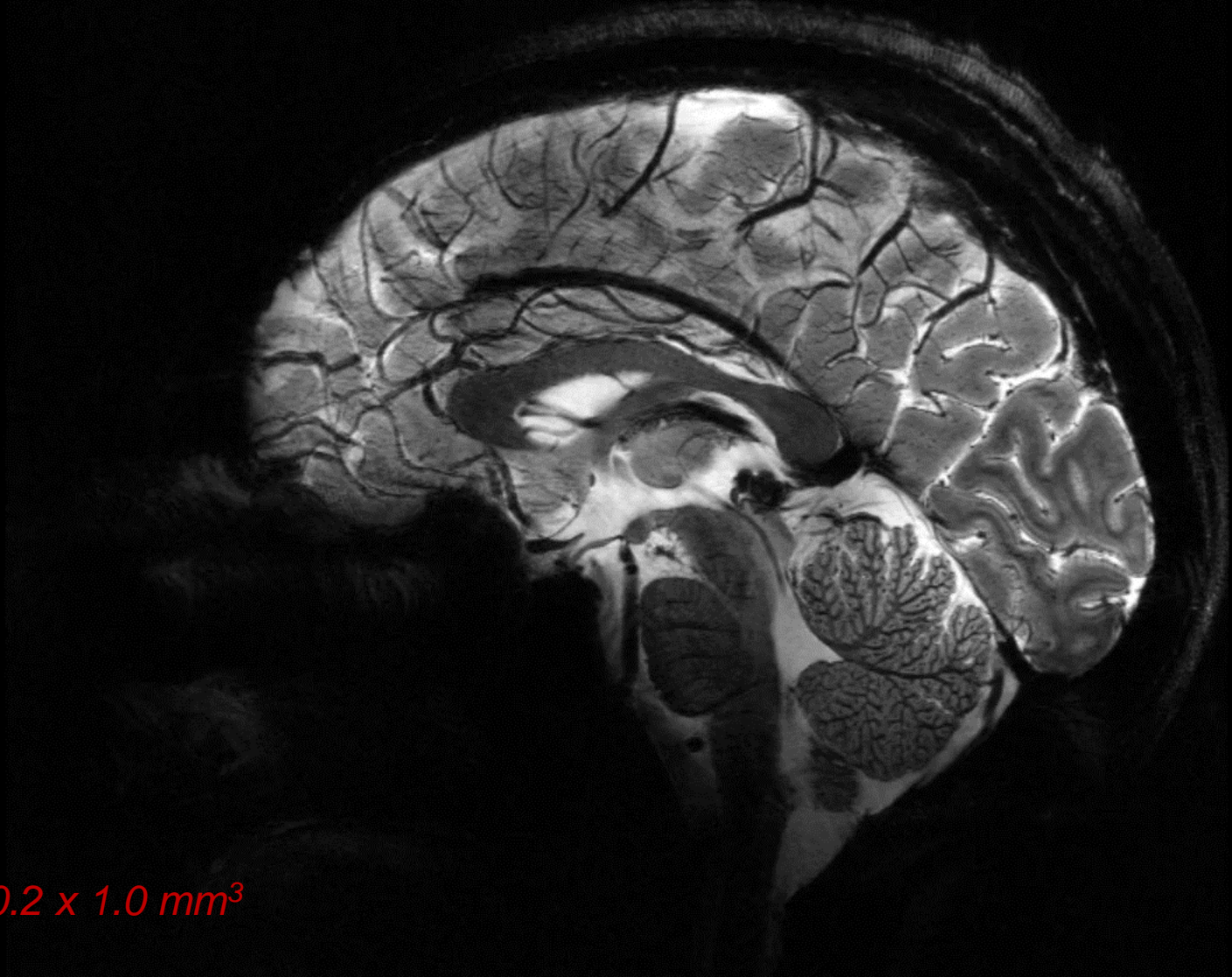
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Le cerveau dévoilée

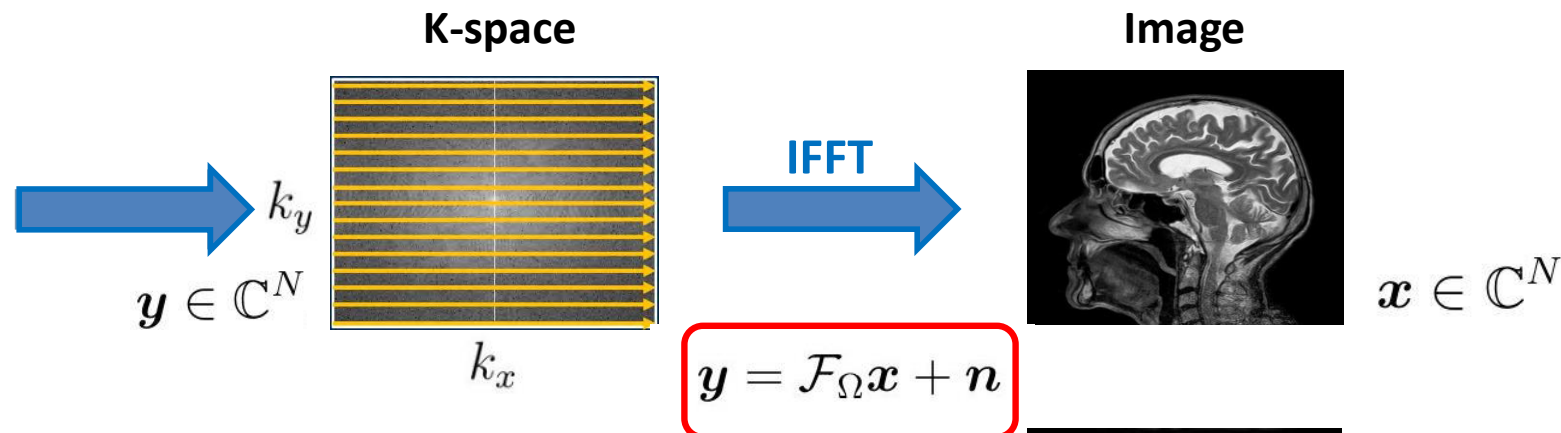
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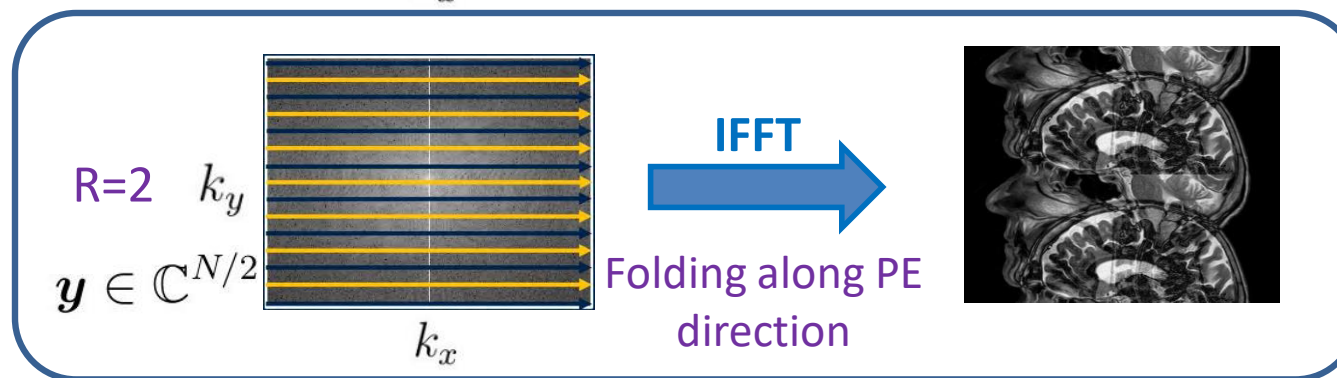
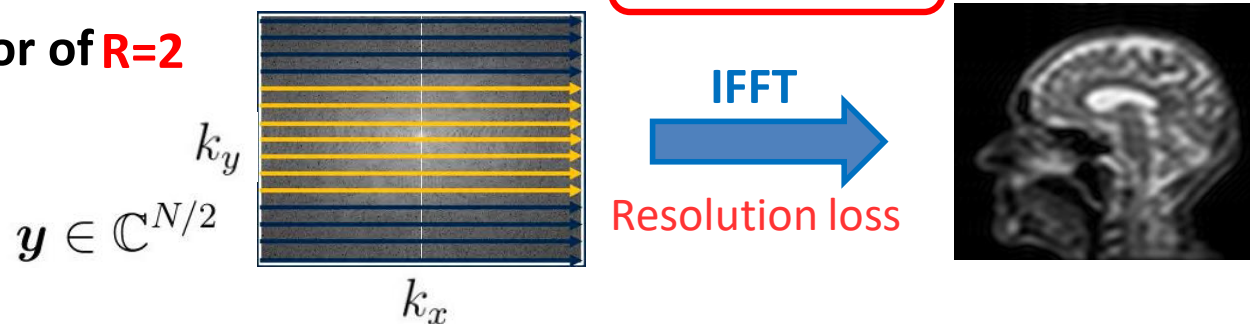


Spatial resolution: 0.2 x 0.2 x 1.0 mm³
TA 8 min 30s

Sampling & Under-sampling in MRI



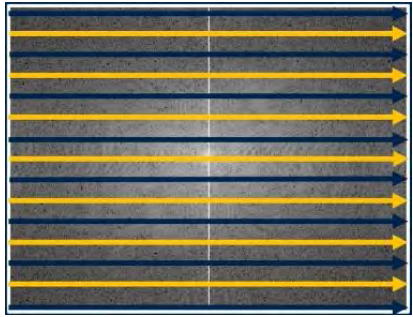
Reduce scan time by a factor of **R=2**



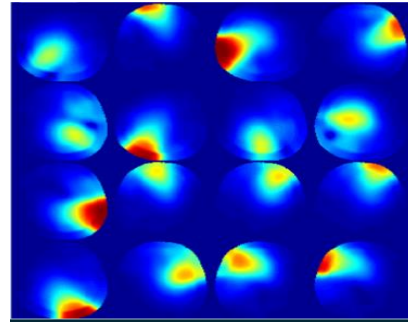
Parallel Imaging vs Compressed Sensing framework



Cartesian under-sampled data



Multiple Receiver Coils



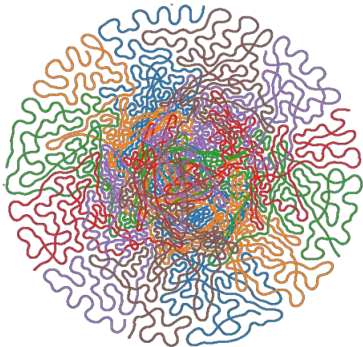
Linear Recon Algorithm



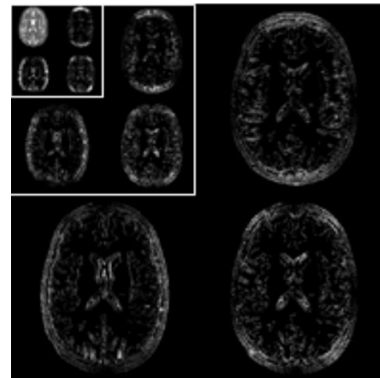
Accelerated PI Acquisition



non-Cartesian under-sampled VDS data (e.g. SPARKLING)



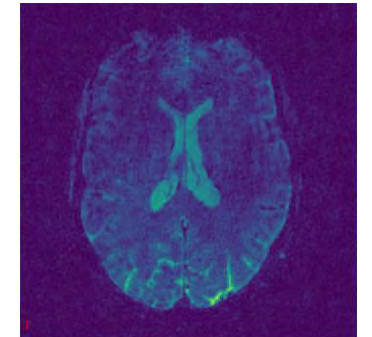
Sparsity in a dictionary



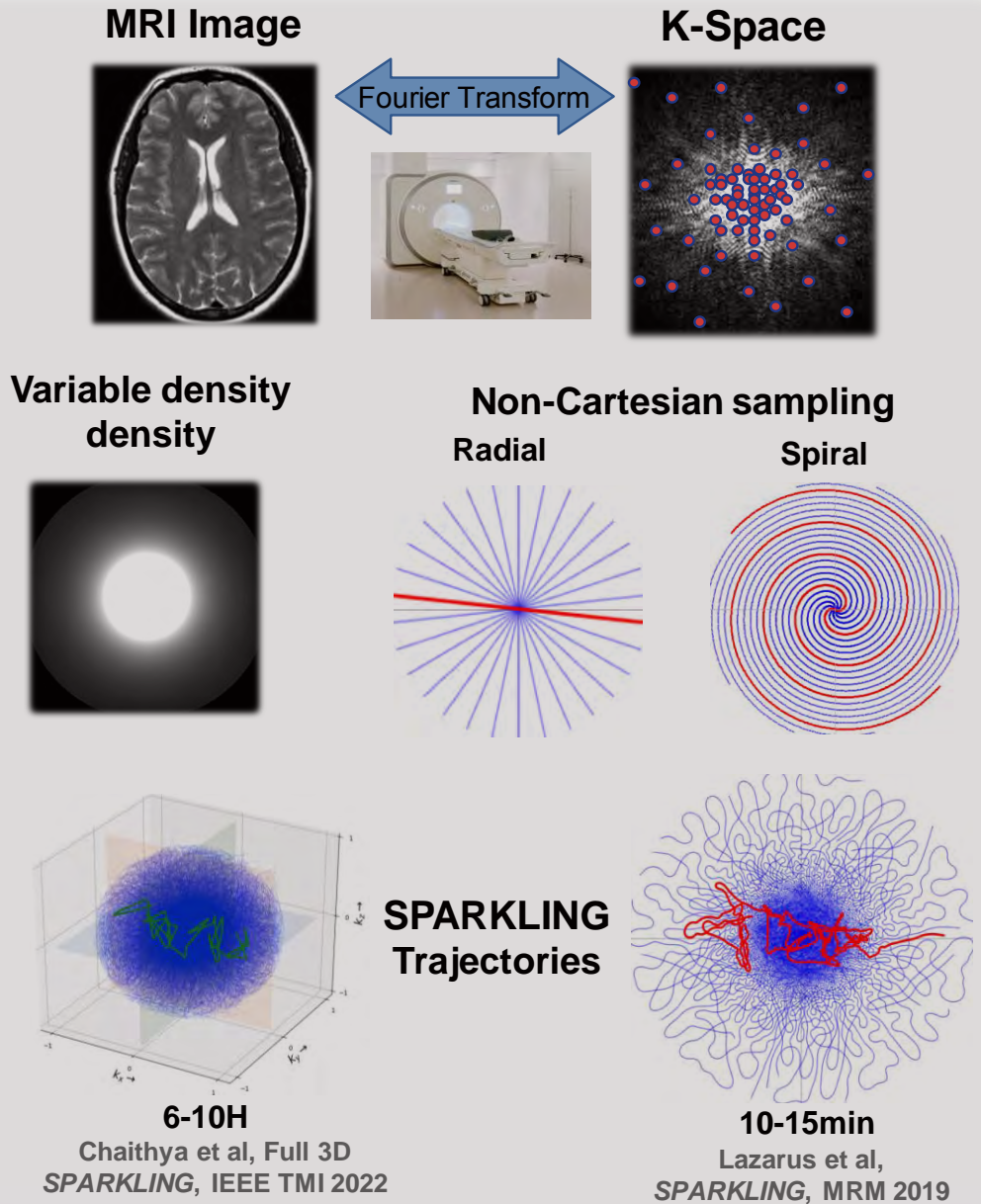
Nonlinear Recon Algorithm



Accelerated CS Acquisition



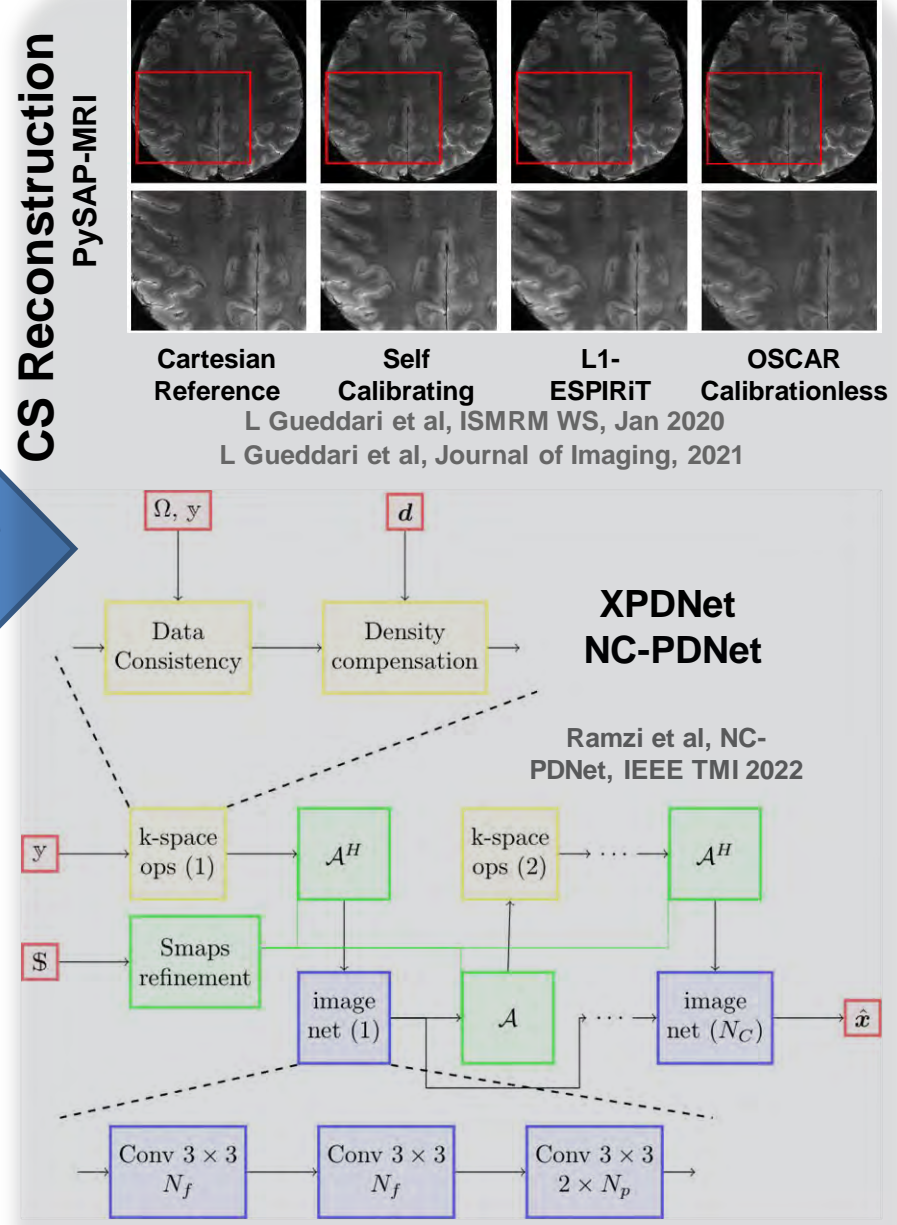
Summarizing accelerated MRI: The big picture



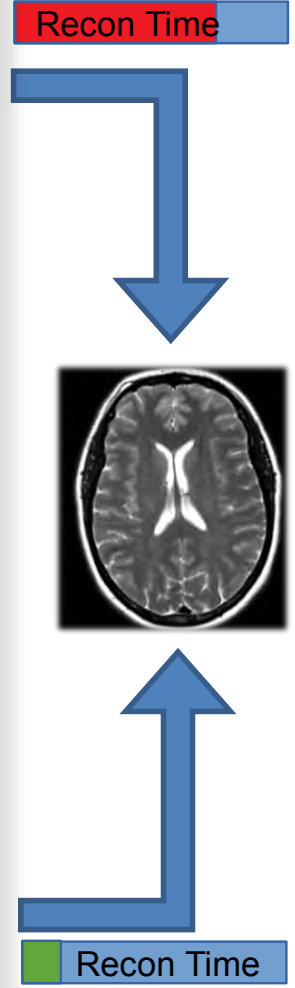
Acquisition

K-space Data

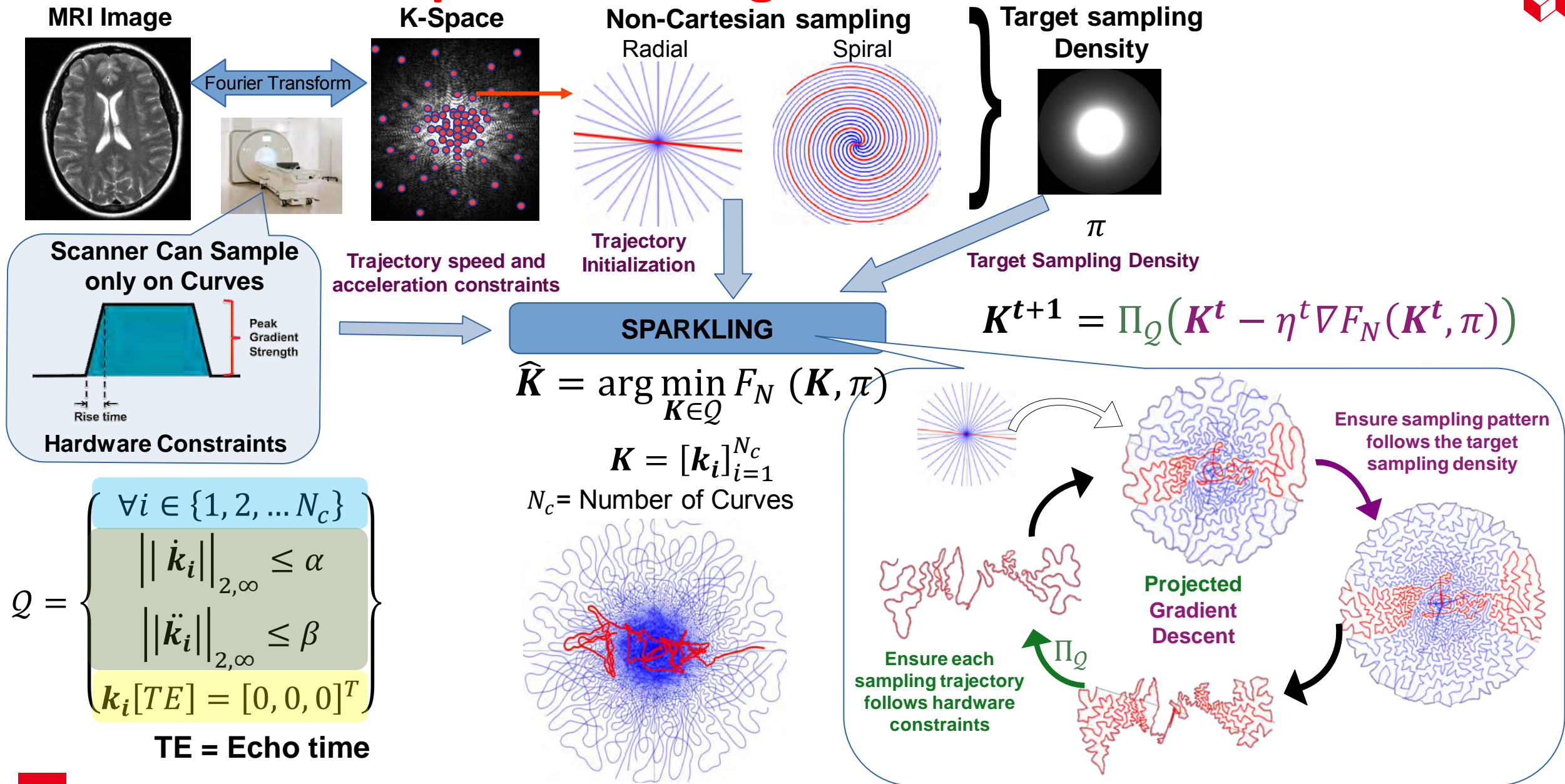
CS Reconstruction



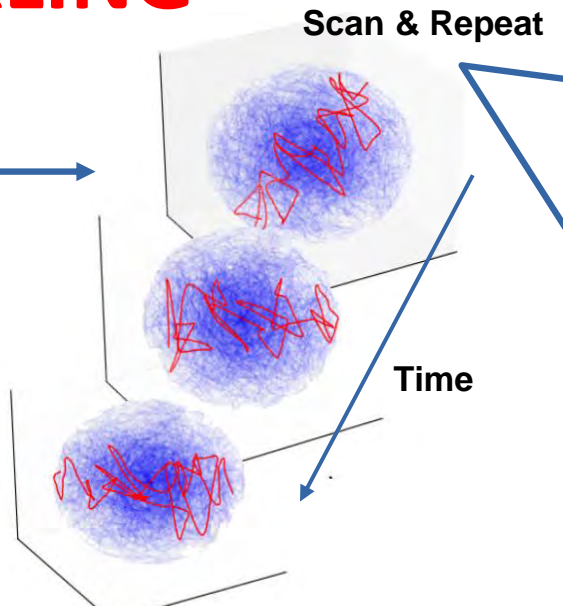
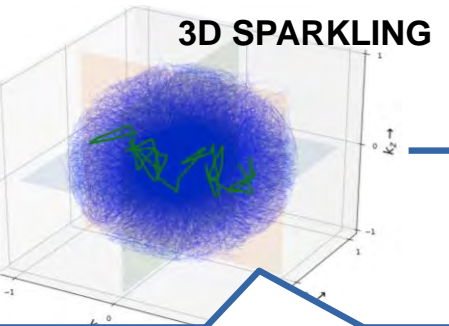
Reconstruction



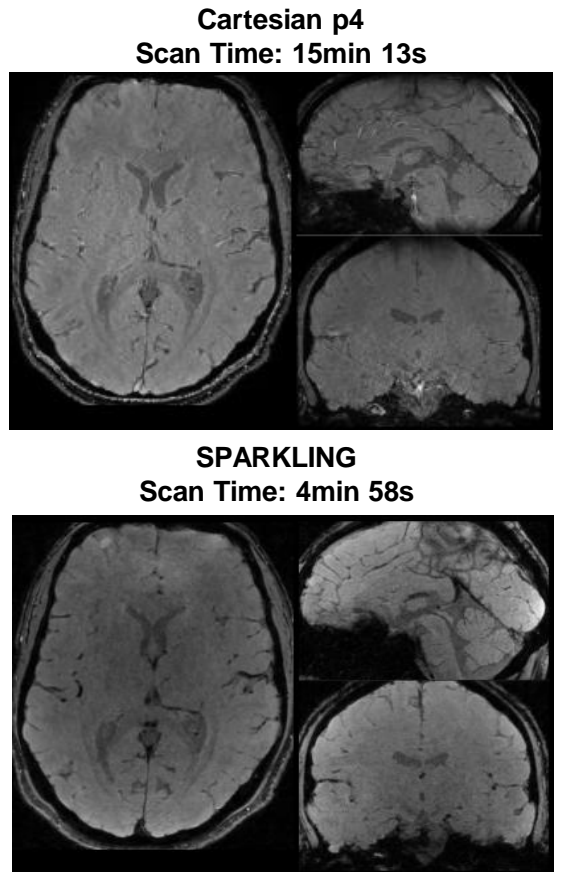
Accelerated acquisition using SPARKLING



Impact of SPARKLING



T2* GRE: SWI



Chaithya et al, *Optimizing full 3D SPARKLING trajectories for high-resolution Magnetic Resonance Imaging*, IEEE TMI 2022

fMRI

3D-SPARKLING - Effect of interest at $p < 0.001$

3D-EPI - Effect of interest at $p < 0.001$

METRIC

Z. Amor

Amor, et al, *Impact of field imperfections correction on BOLD sensitivity in 3D-SPARKLING fMRI*, MRM 2023

Coming soon to Anatomical imaging with MP2RAGE

Sodium Imaging

TPI **SPARKLING**

Scan Time: 28s

CIEL
Cerebral Imaging and engineering laboratory

R. Baptista

R Baptista et al, *IRM cerebrale du sodium rapide avec SPARKLING 3D sous-echantillonnee a 7*, Journal of Neuroradiology 2023

Angiography and Perfusion imaging

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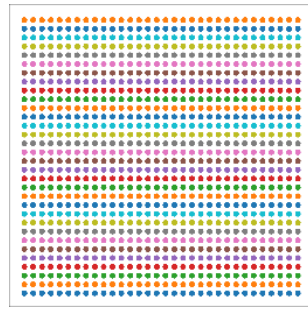
SPARKLING



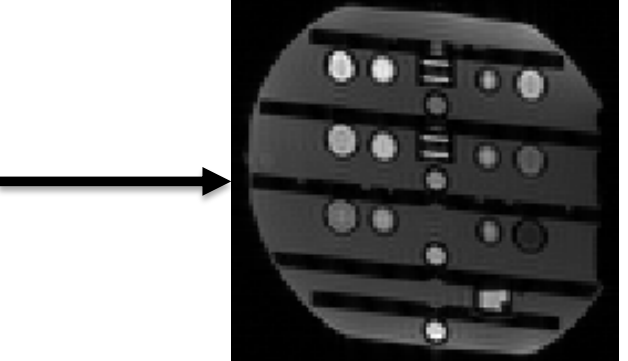
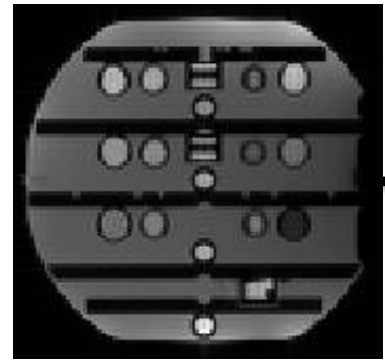


Spatial B_0 inhomogeneities & off-resonance effects

Cartesian example

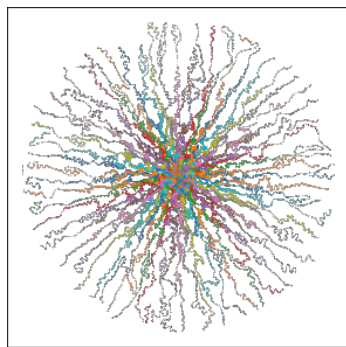


Line by line Cartesian trajectory

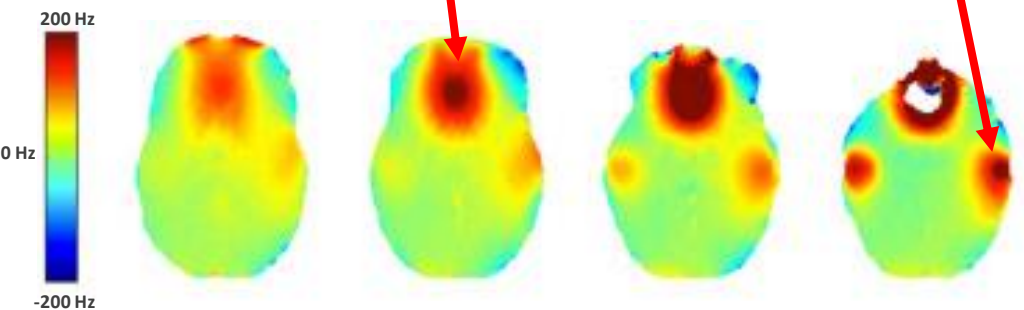
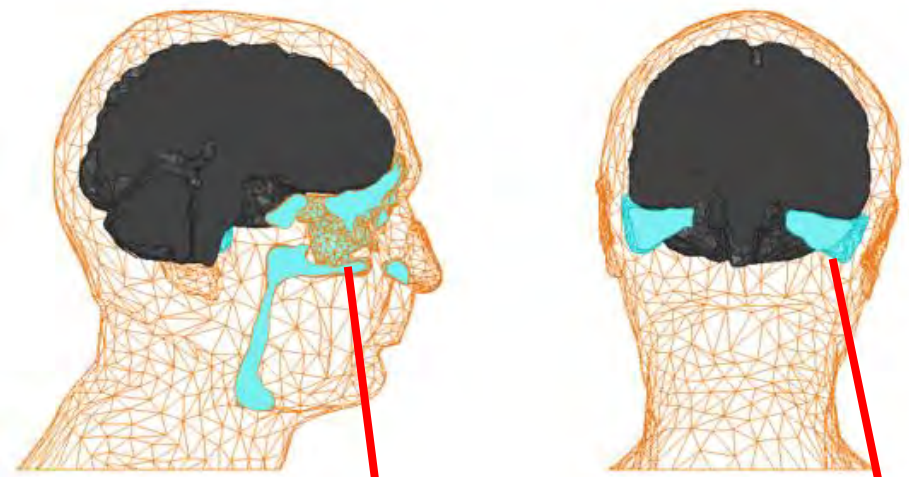
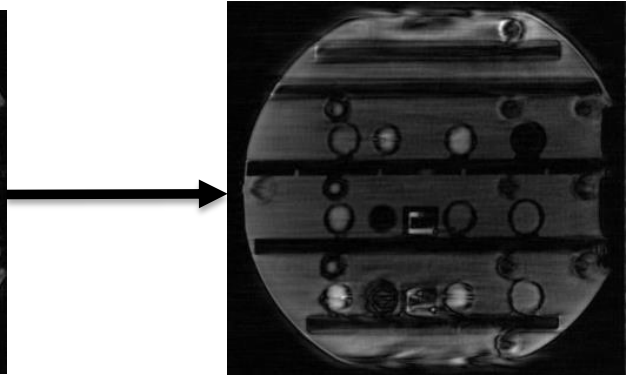
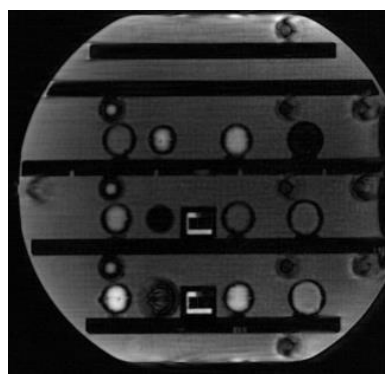


+ ΔB_0

Non-Cartesian example



SPARKLING trajectory



ΔB_0 field maps

$$\omega(r) = \gamma \Delta B_0$$

$$s(t) = \int_{FOV} \rho(r, t) e^{j\omega(r)t} e^{j\gamma(k(t).r)}$$

$$\longrightarrow s(t_m) = \sum_{n=1}^N \rho(r_n, t_m) e^{j\omega(r_n)t_m} e^{j\gamma(k(t_m).r_n)}$$

Need for field map acquisitions

Off-resonance correction: Beyond the Fourier model

$$s(\mathbf{t}_m) = \sum_n^N f_n e^{-i\omega_n \mathbf{t}_m} e^{-i2\pi(k(\mathbf{t}_m) \cdot \mathbf{r}_n)}$$

$$e^{-i\omega_n \mathbf{t}_m} \approx \sum_l^L b_{m,l} c_{l,n}$$

$$s(\mathbf{t}_m) = \sum_l^L b_{m,l} \sum_n^N f_n c_{l,n} e^{-i2\pi(k(\mathbf{t}_m) \cdot \mathbf{r}_n)}$$

[Sutton et al. *IEEE TMI* 2003]

$$(\hat{\mathbf{B}}, \hat{\mathbf{C}}) = \arg \min_{\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{C}^{M \times L}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{C}^{L \times N}} \|\mathbf{E} - \mathbf{BC}\|_{Fro}^2$$

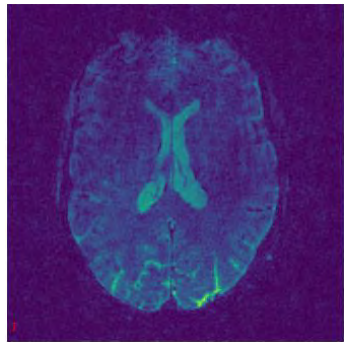
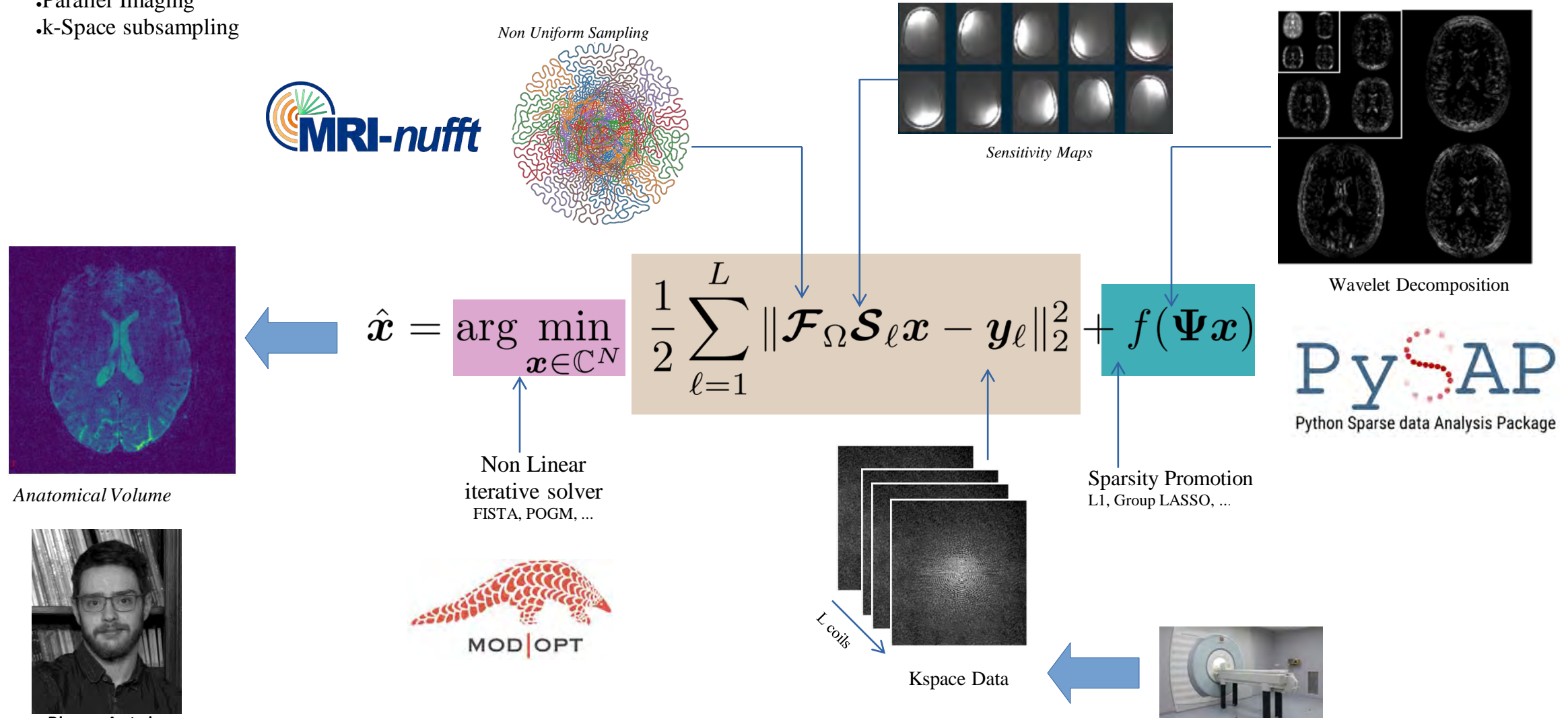
$$\text{with } \mathbf{E} = (E_{mn}), E_{mn} = e^{-2i\pi \Delta B_0(\mathbf{r}_n) \mathbf{t}_m} \quad [\text{Fessler et al. } \textit{IEEE TSP} \text{ 2005}]$$

Multicoil CS MR image reconstruction



Take the acceleration factor into account

- Parallel Imaging
- k-Space subsampling



Anatomical Volume

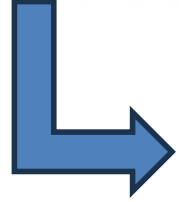
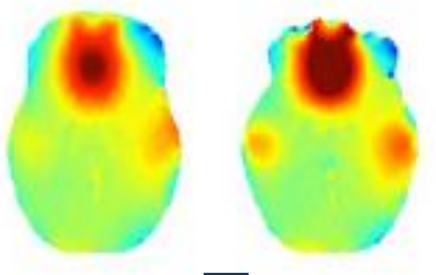


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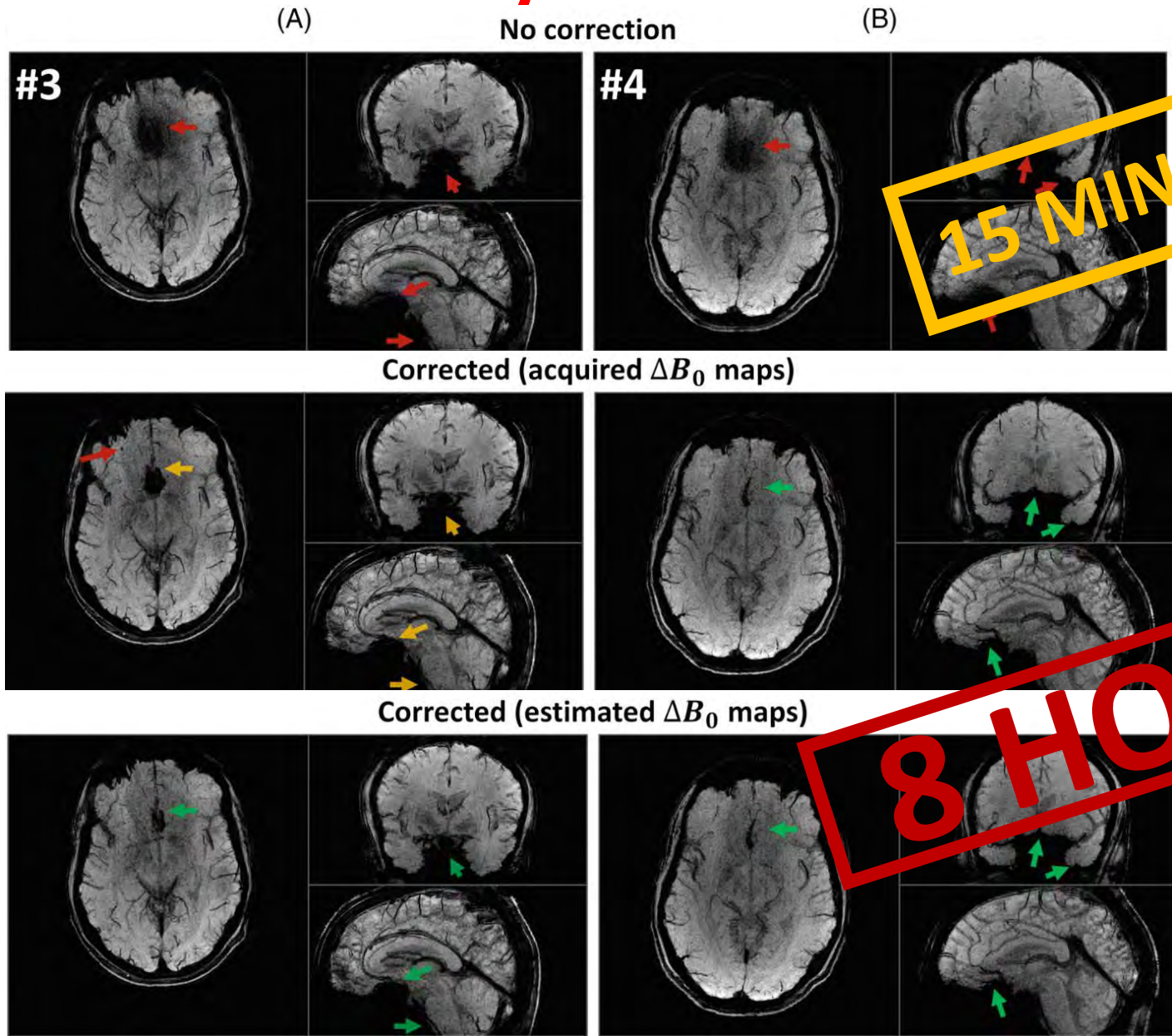


Correction in SWI: Internally estimated field maps



With additional field map scan

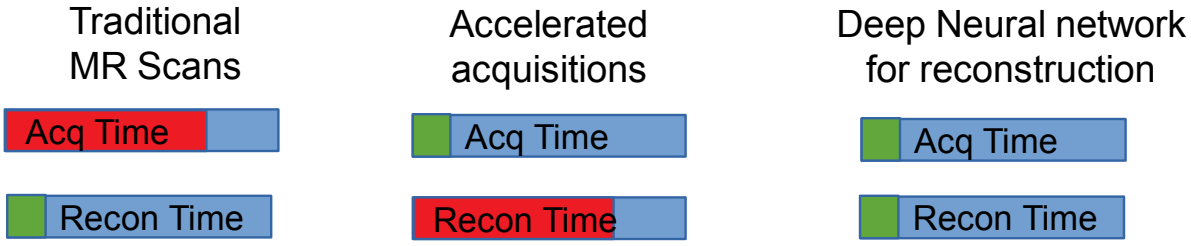
No additional field map scan



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Unrolling MR image reconstruction algorithms

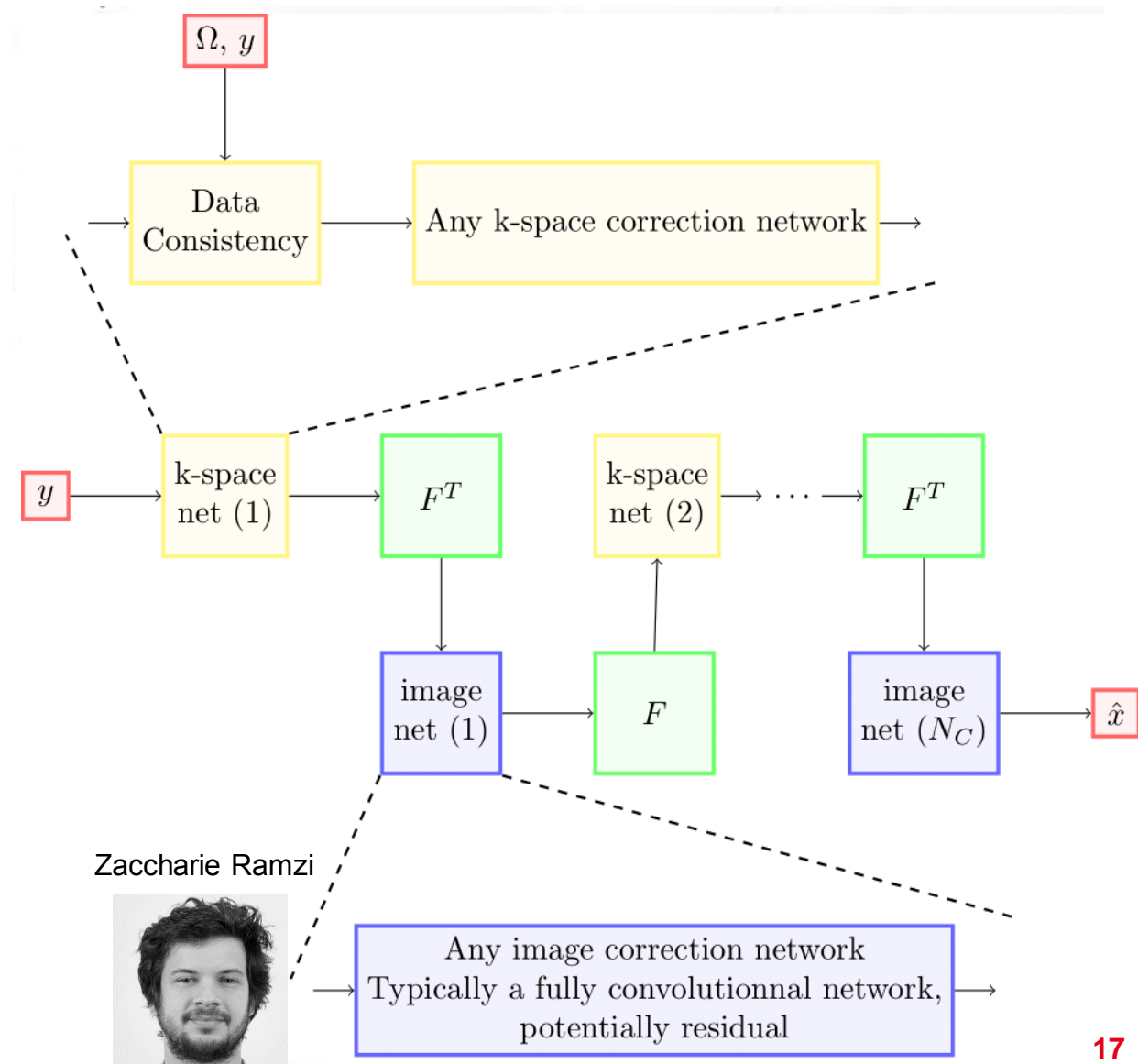
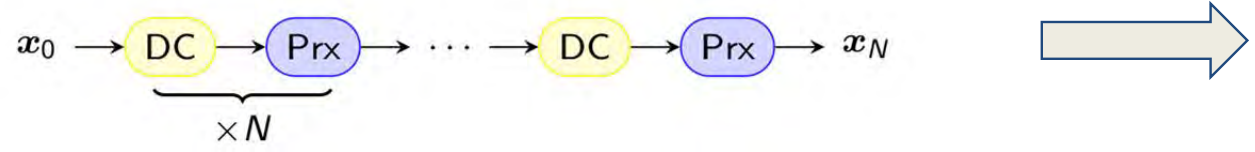


Compressed sensing, Non-Cartesian imaging, SPARKLING

$$\arg \min_{\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{C}^n} \sum_{\ell=1}^L \frac{1}{2} \|\mathbf{y}_\ell - \mathcal{F}_\Omega \mathbf{S}_\ell \mathbf{x}\|_2^2 + \mathcal{R}(\mathbf{x})$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \mathbf{x}_n - \tau_n \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^L \mathbf{F}_\Omega \mathbf{S}_\ell \right)^H \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^L \mathbf{F}_\Omega \mathbf{S}_\ell \mathbf{x}_n - \mathbf{y}_\ell \right)$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \text{prox}_{\tau_n \mathcal{R}}(\mathbf{x}_{n+1})$$



Zaccharie Ramzi



Any image correction network
Typically a fully convolutional network, potentially residual

The 2020 fastMRI Challenge

Objectives:

- Run an international challenge to benchmark the DL solutions for MR brain image recon
- Acquisition setup that fits the clinical realm (multi-coil acquisition, multiple contrasts)
- Larger training set with a total of 6,970 brain scans (approx. 1.5 TB of raw k-space data, 3001 scans at 1.5T)

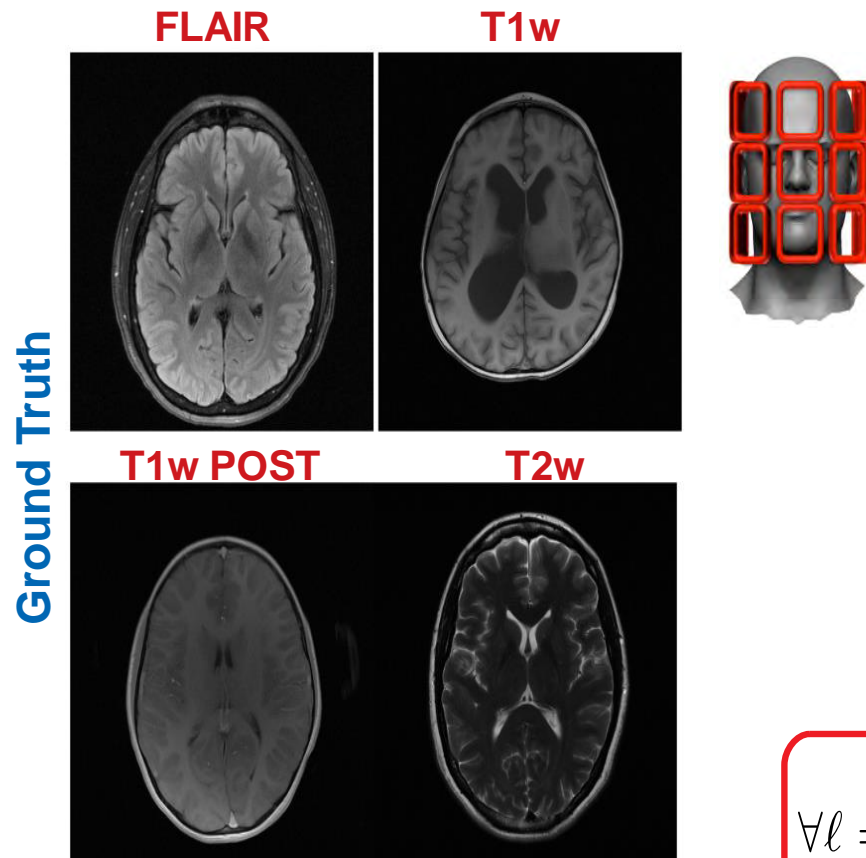


Table 1: Summary of Siemens data for 4X/8X tracks.

Split	T1	TIPOST	T2	FLAIR	Total
Siemens/Main Tracks					
train	498	949	2,678	344	4,469
val	169	287	815	107	1,378
test (4X)	33	54	170	24	281
test (8X)	32	68	152	25	277
challenge (4X)	26	67	192	18	303
challenge (8X)	24	65	159	14	262
Transfer Track (4X, all challenge)					
GE	22	29	83	77	211
Philips	18	0	50	50	118

$$\forall \ell = 1, \dots, L, \quad \hat{\mathbf{x}}_{\ell} = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\mathbf{y}_{\ell}) \quad \mathbf{x}^{\text{rss}} = \left(\sum_{\ell=1}^L |\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{\ell}|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$

2020 fastMRI Challenge: Quantitative results

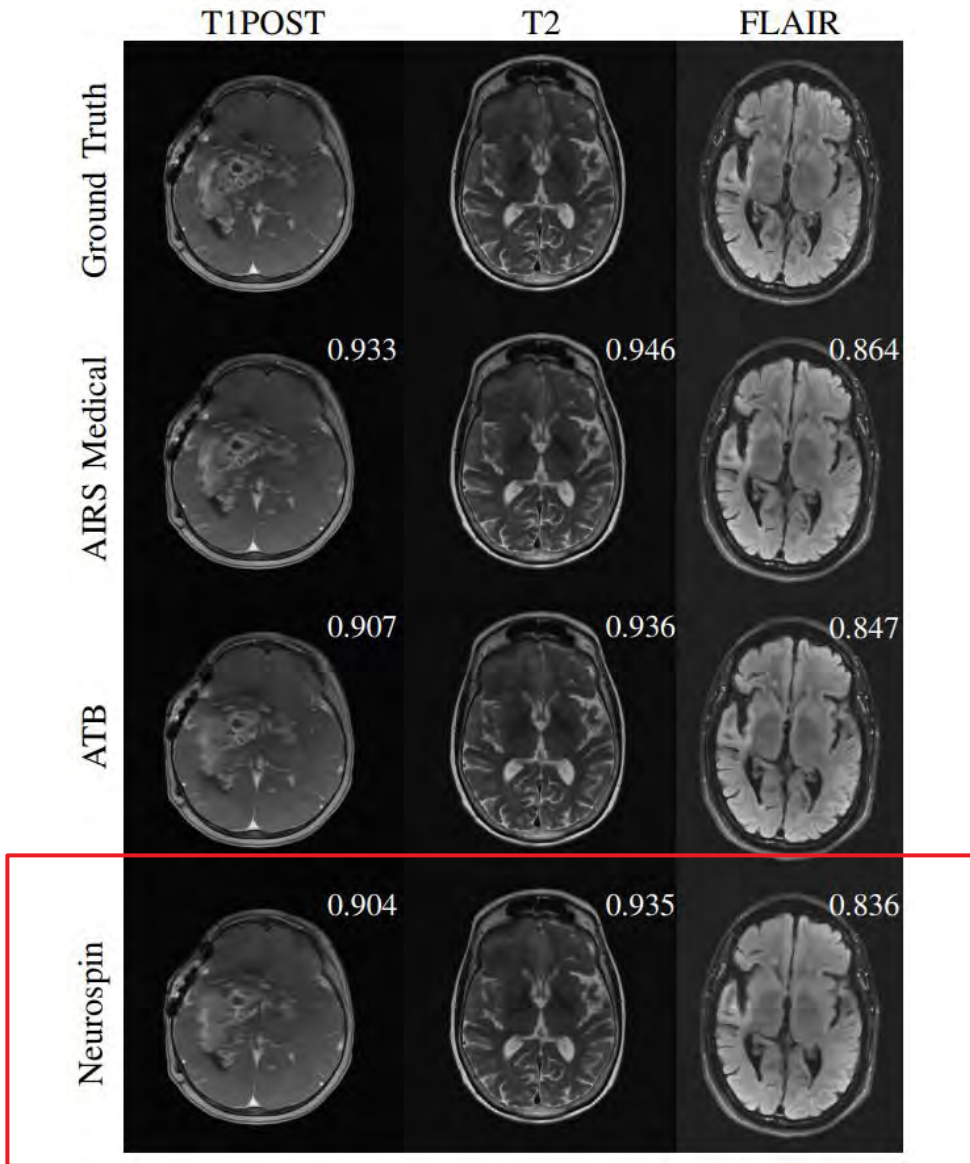
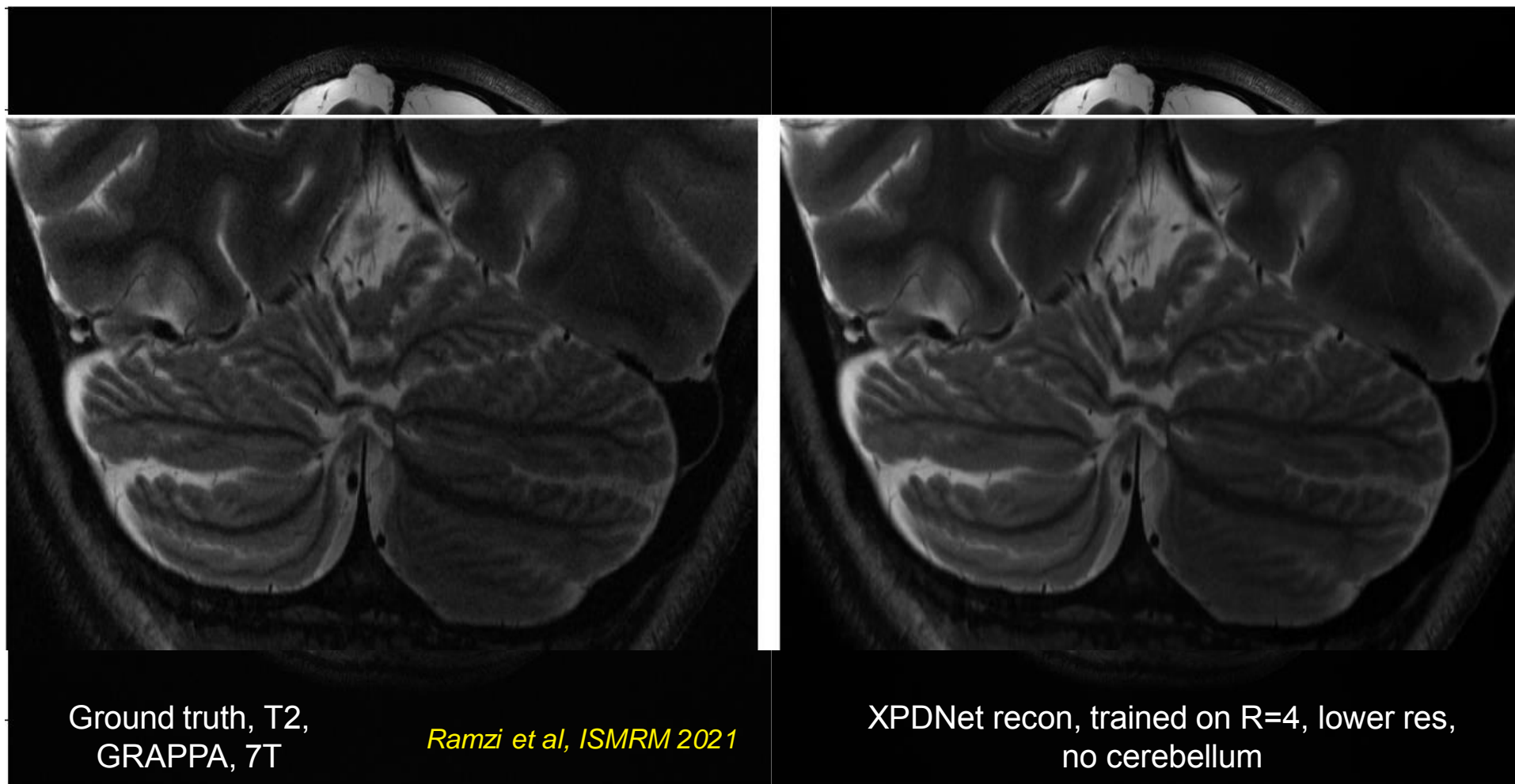


Table 3: Summary of quality ranks and Likert scores (lower is better).

Team	Rank	Artifacts	Sharpness	CNR
4X Track				
AIRS Medical	1.36	1.53	1.53	1.53
Nspin	1.94	1.81	1.72	1.75
ATB	2.22	1.75	1.97	1.86
8X Track				
AIRS Medical	1.28	1.67	1.89	1.94
Nspin	2.25	1.86	2.72	2.28
ATB	2.28	1.92	2.56	2.42

Our submissions was ranked 2nd in the fastMRI challenge based on radiologists evaluations (1st in the academic research)

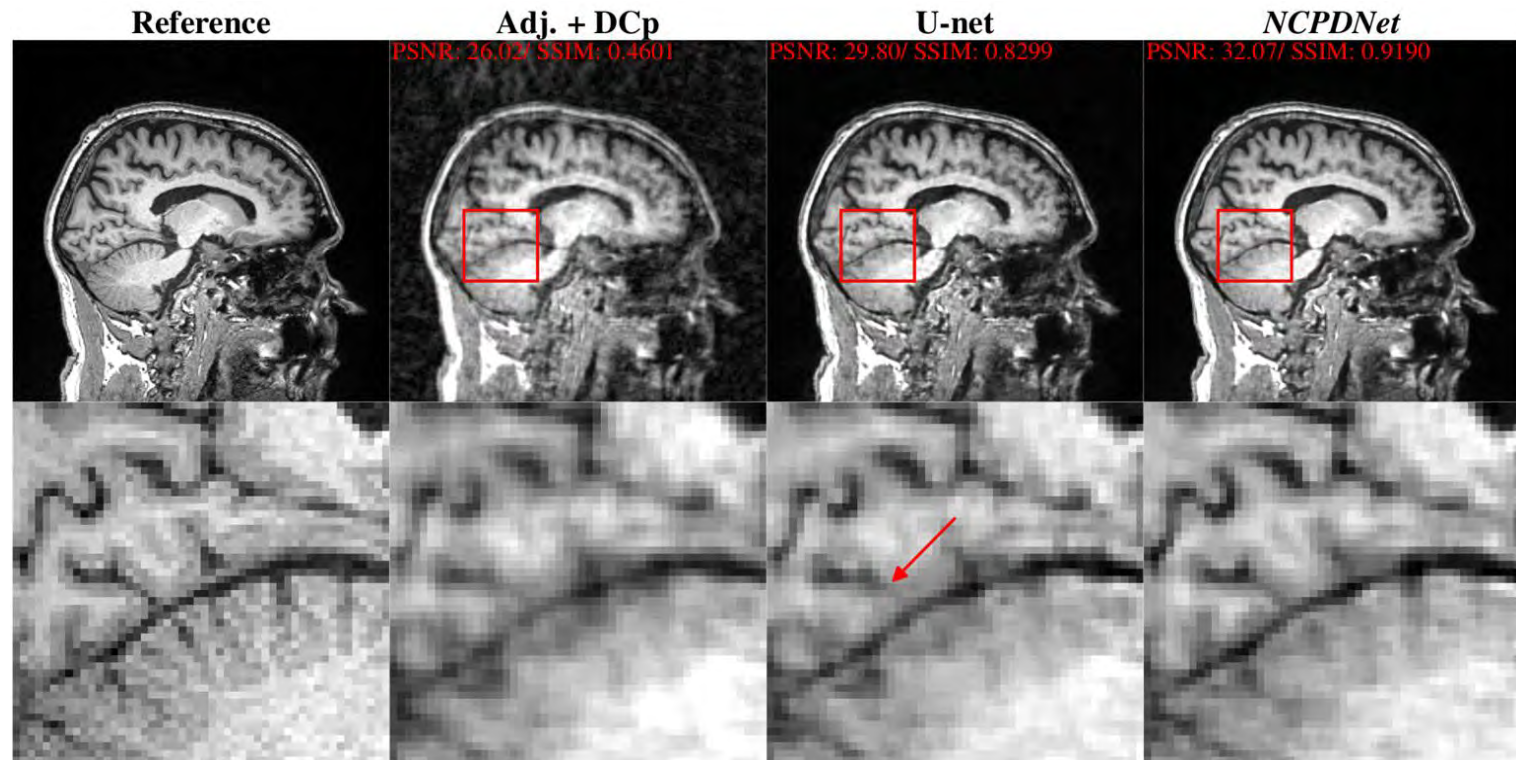
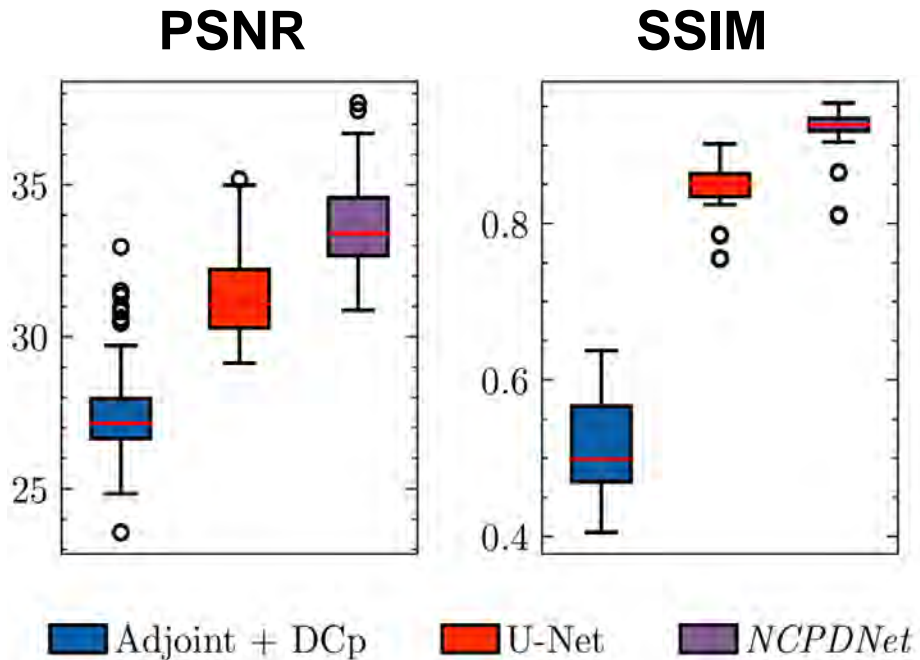
Robustness test on 7T out-of-distribution data



¹²L. Marrakchi-Kacem et al. (2016). "Robust imaging of hippocampal inner structure at 7T: in vivo acquisition protocol and methodological choices". In: *Magnetic Resonance Materials in Physics, Biology and Medicine* 29.3, pp. 475–489.

NC-PDNet : Evaluation on 3D single-coil dataset

3D radial acquisition (OASIS dataset, T1 contrast) with AF = 4



DISCLAIMER

OASIS data is magnitude-only images

NC-PDNet Training on Multi-coil Dataset

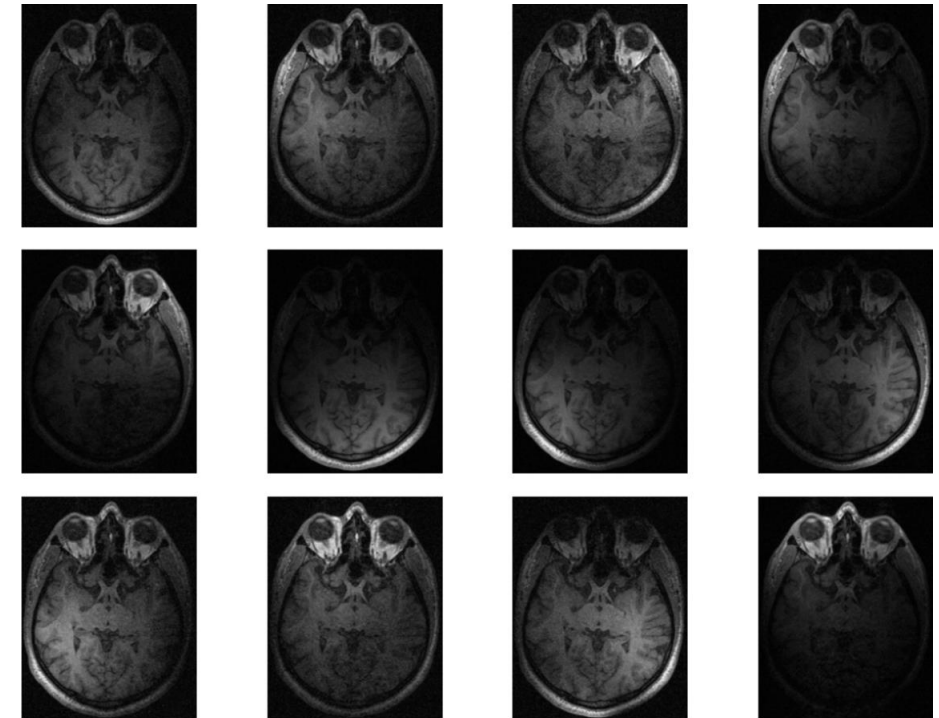


CALGARY-CAMPINAS PUBLIC BRAIN MR DATASET : 12-Channel Coil Data:

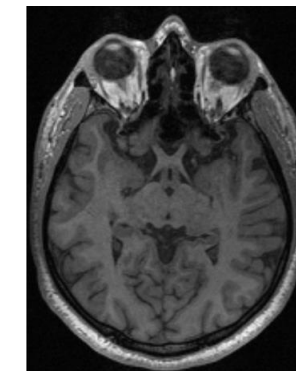
- Raw **fully-sampled, complex-valued** k-space data
- T1-weighted, MPRAGE acquisition
- 1 mm isotropic acquisitions
- Acquisition matrix size for each channel:
 $N_x \times N_y \times N_z = 256 \times 218 \times [170, 180]$.

12-channel dataset	Split	#Multi-coil 3D volumes
	Train	47
	Val	20
	Test	50

Multi-channel images



Root Sum Of Squares



Experiments with Calgary Dataset

Preprocessing:

- Use Golf-Sparkling (AF = 6.7) as a non-Cartesian sampling trajectory: **Radial -> Golf-Sparkling**
- Due to memory constraints, we perform SVD compression on coil dimension (select the first 5 orthonormal compressed coils): **Single-Coil -> Multi-Coil extension**
- Ground truth image is RSS (Root Sum of Squares) of the 5 compressed coils

Evaluation metrics: PSNR and SSIM are the quantitative metrics + visual quality of recon results

Deep Learning network hyper-parameters:

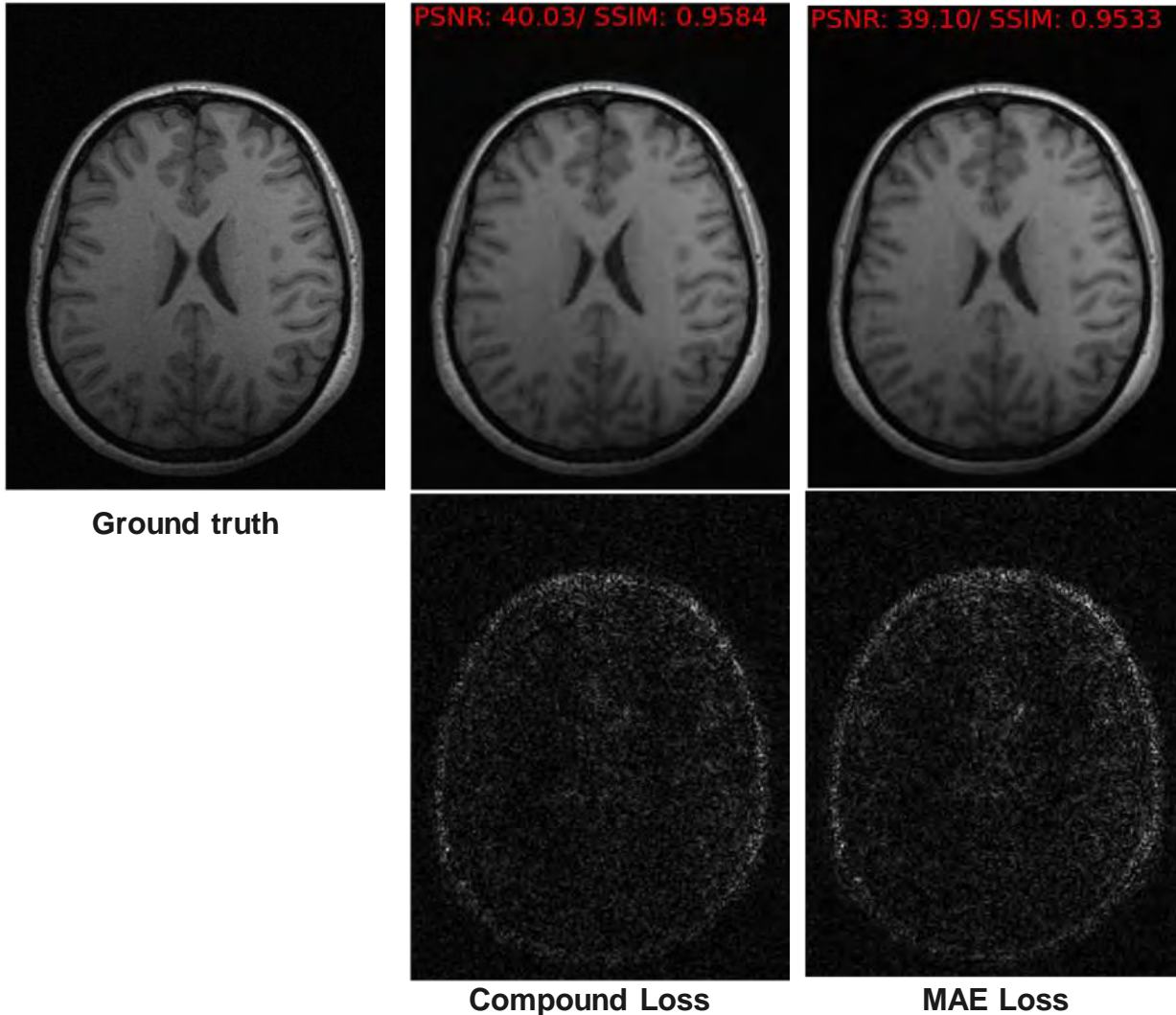
- 6 iterations, buffer-size of 2, and filter size 16
- Running experiments with MAE loss and Compound Loss (0.5 MAE + 0.5 MSSIM)
- Both presented models were trained for 50 epochs.

Epoch = A single pass through the entire training dataset



Evaluation Results : MAE Loss V.S. Compound Loss

- NC-PDNet trained on 47 (3D 5-compressed coils) volumes
- Evaluation is performed on 20 volumes of validation calgary dataset split



Loss	Mean± Sd PSNR	Mean± Sd SSIM
MAE Loss	36.76 ± 1.30	0.93 ± 0.013
Compound Loss	37.87 ± 1.24	0.94 ± 0.011

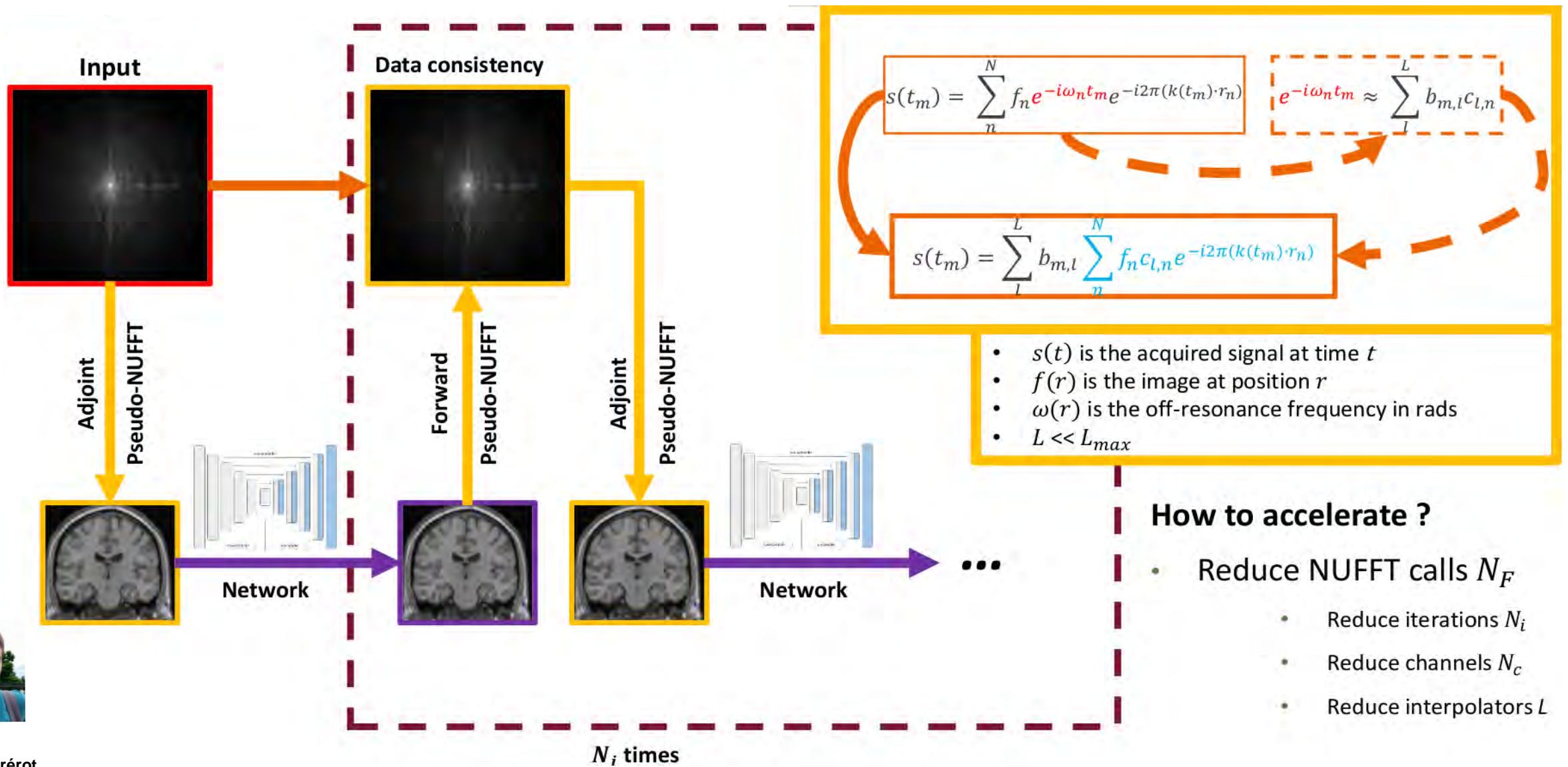
Table 7 : 3D NC-PDnet quantitative comparison w.r.t loss function on 20 5-channel compressed validation volumes



Asma Tanabene



Deep Learning Stacked ΔB_0 -PDNet architecture



G. Daval-Frerot



Incorporating ΔB_0 correction into neural network

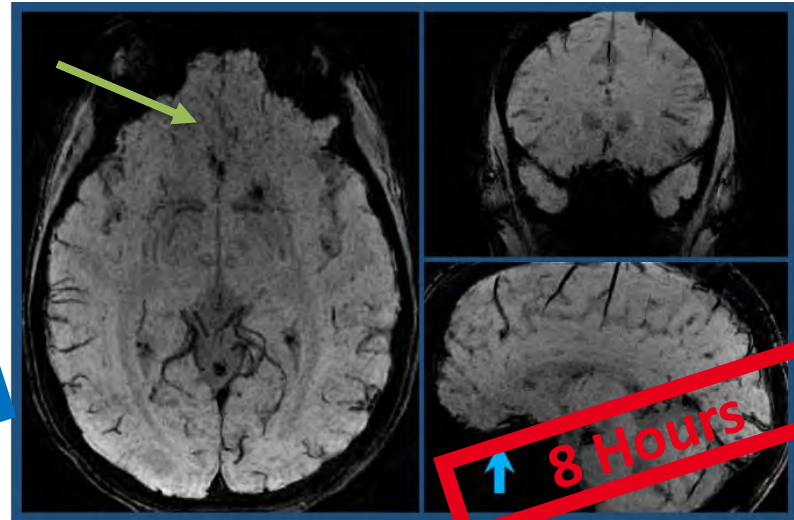
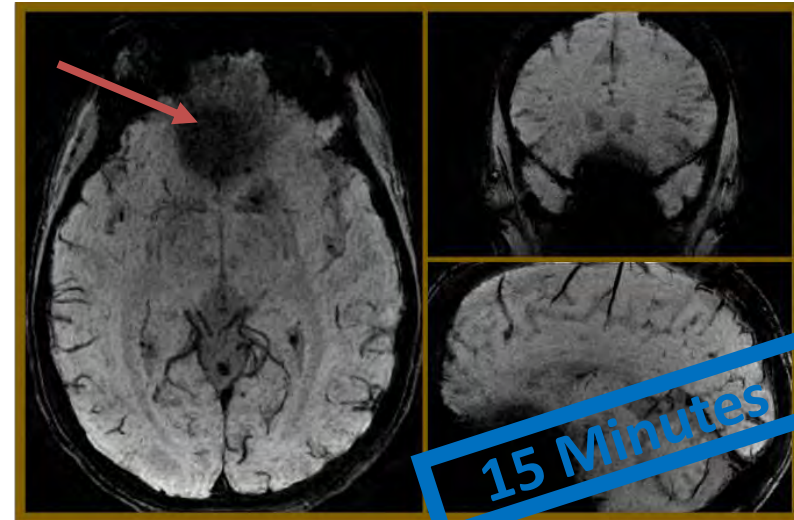
For realistic reconstructions on actual scanner data

0.6mm isotropic SPARKLING, Scan time = 3 min AF=15

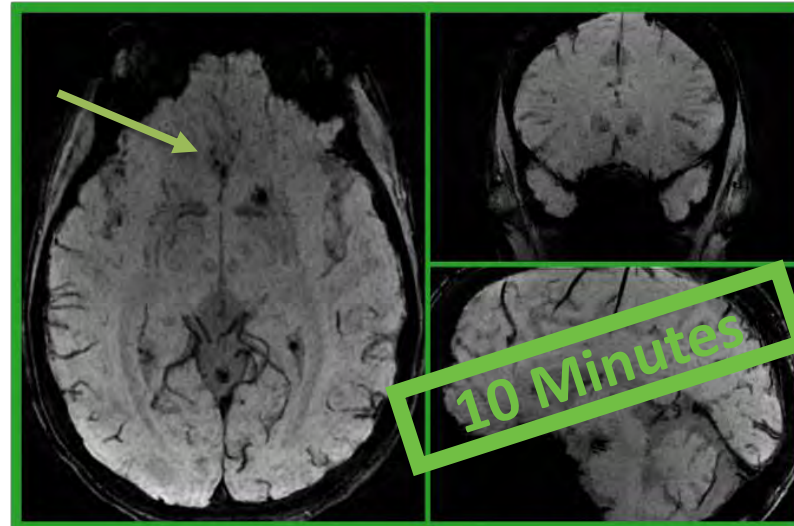
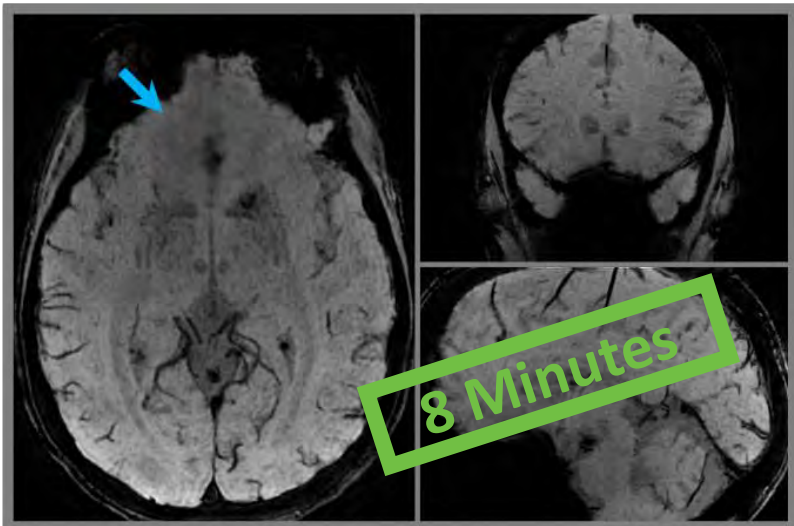
Without off-resonance corrections

With off-resonance corrections

CS Reconstruction



Unrolled networks



SSIM: 0.8947

SSIM: 0.9541



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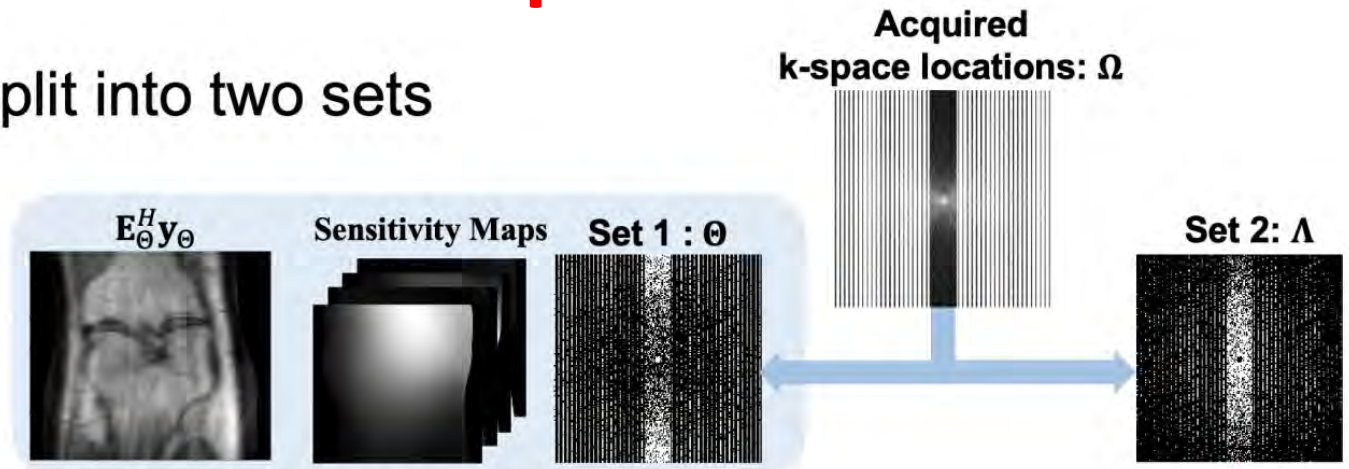


Back-propagation on the network parameters

- Acquired k-space locations Ω , split into two sets

$$\Omega = \Theta \cup \Lambda$$

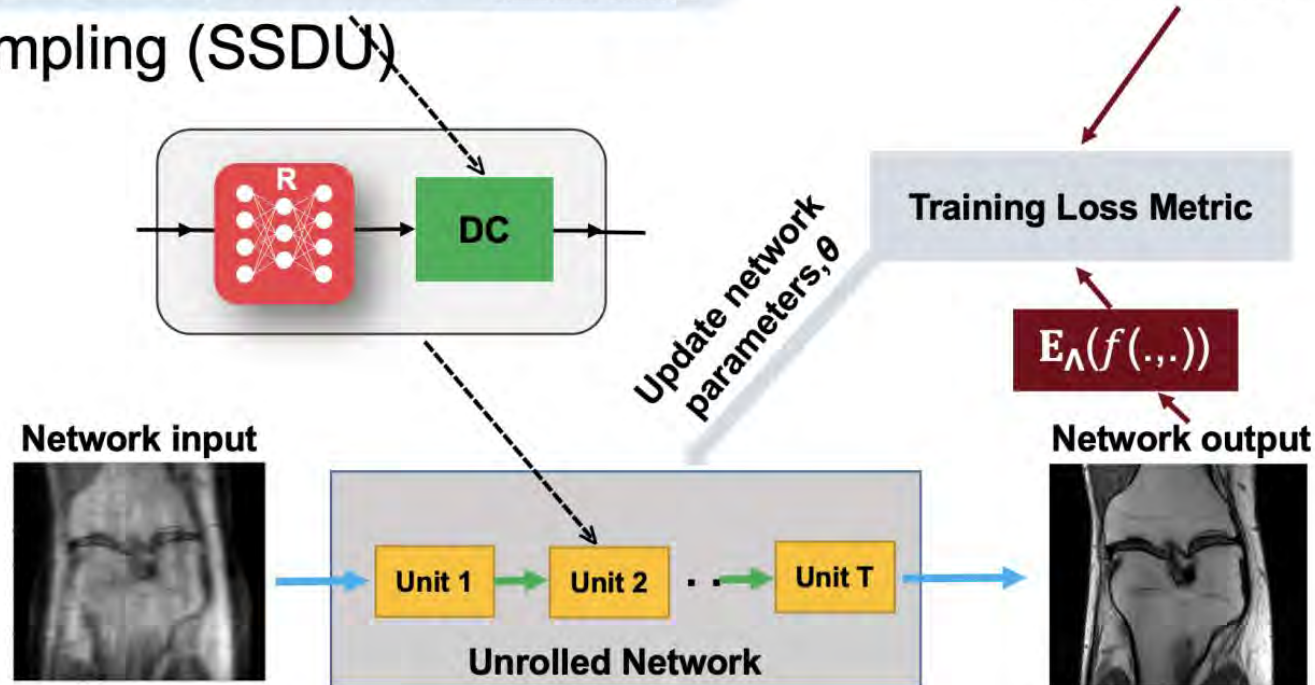
$$\Theta = \Omega \setminus \Lambda$$



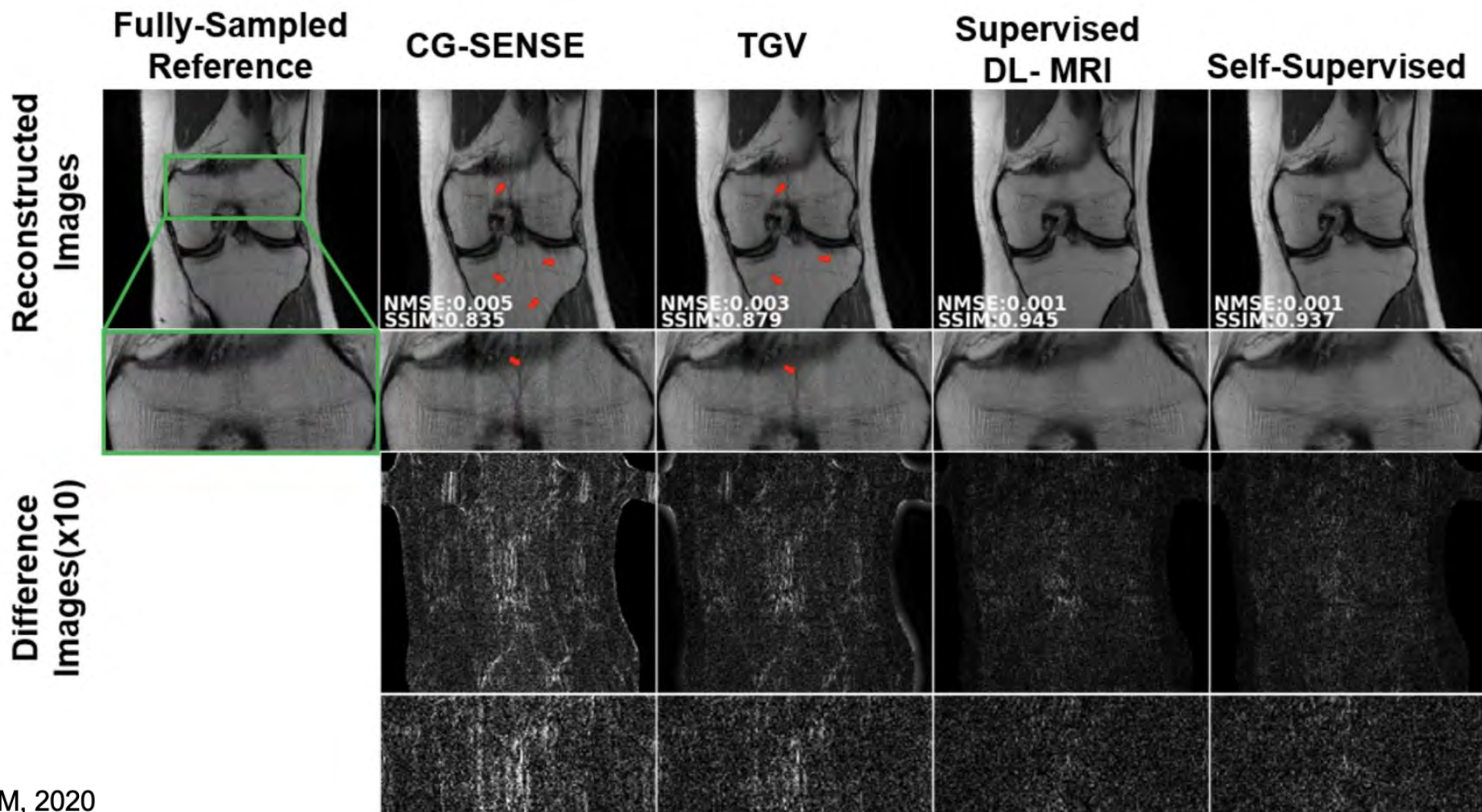
- Self-supervision via data undersampling (SSDU)

- End-to-end minimization

$$\min_{\theta} \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathcal{L} \left(y_{\Lambda}^i, E_{\Lambda}^i \left(f(y_{\Theta}^i, E_{\Theta}^i; \theta) \right) \right)$$



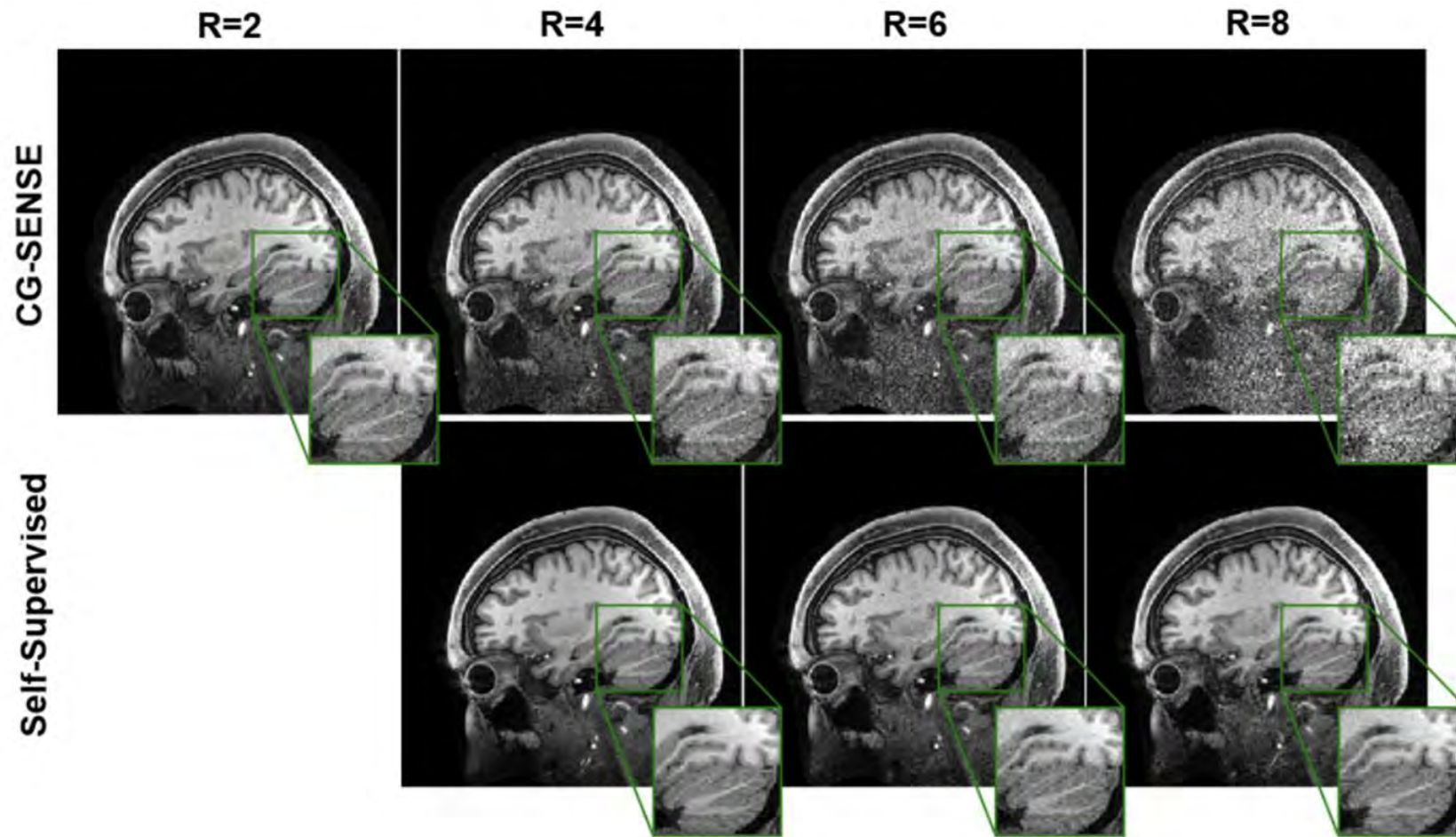
Supervised vs Self-Supervised DL reconstruction



Yaman et al, MRM, 2020

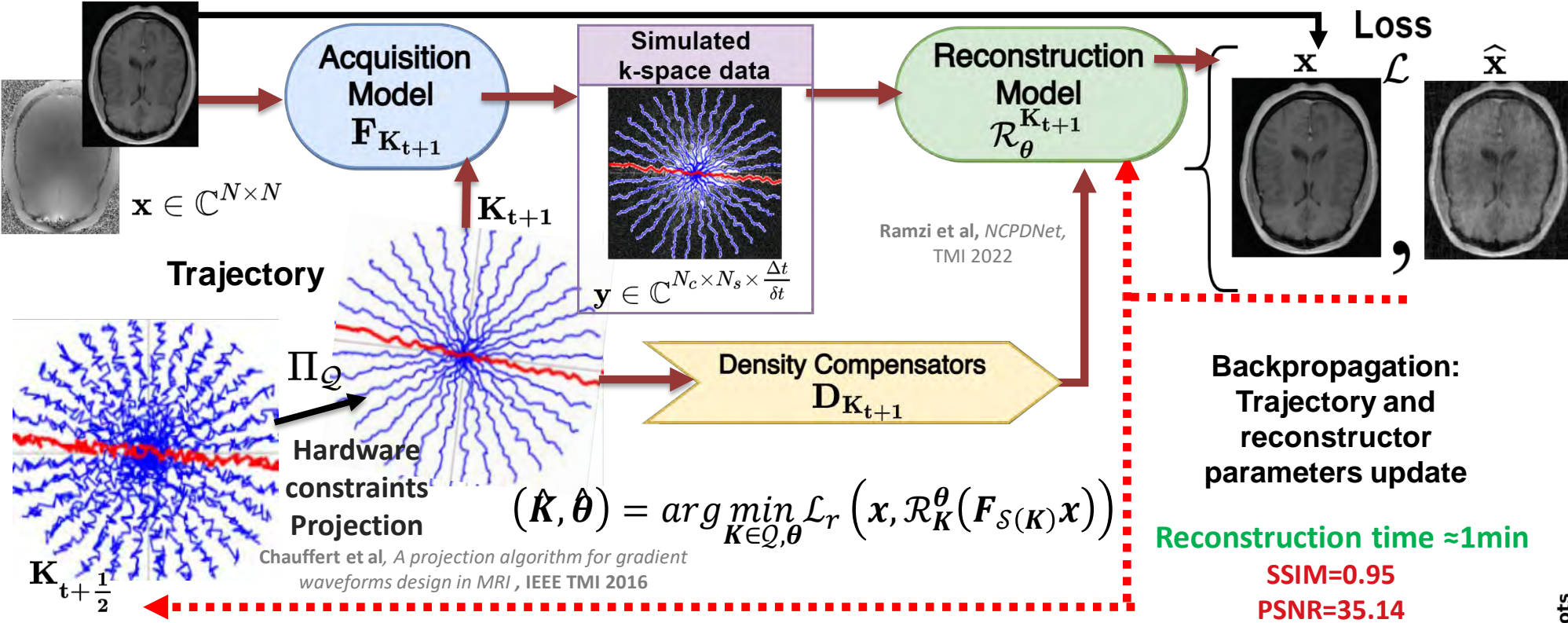
Supervised vs Self-Supervised DL reconstruction

- Prospectively subsampled ($R = 2$)
- Supervised DL MRI not available (no ref data)
- Self-supervised successful reconstruction at high rates

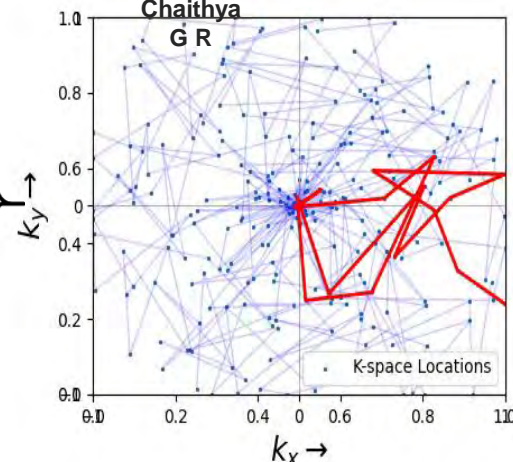


PROJeCTOR: Blending Acquisition & Reconstruction Worlds

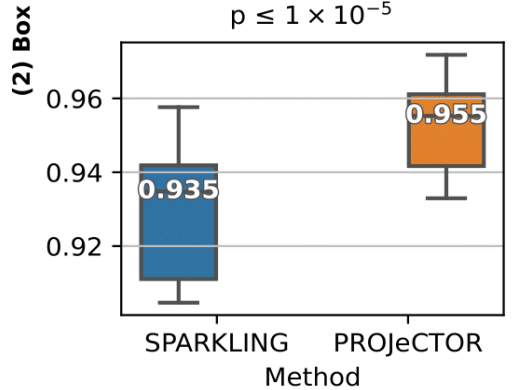
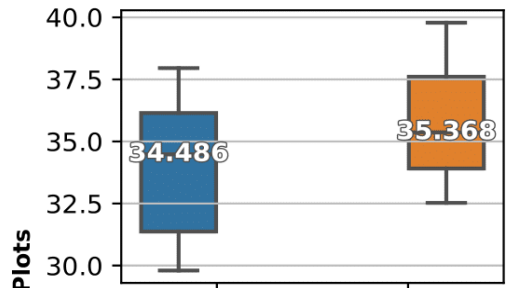
PROjection for Jointly Learning non-Cartesian Trajectories while Optimizing Reconstructor



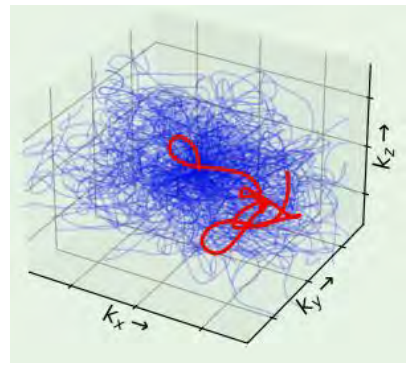
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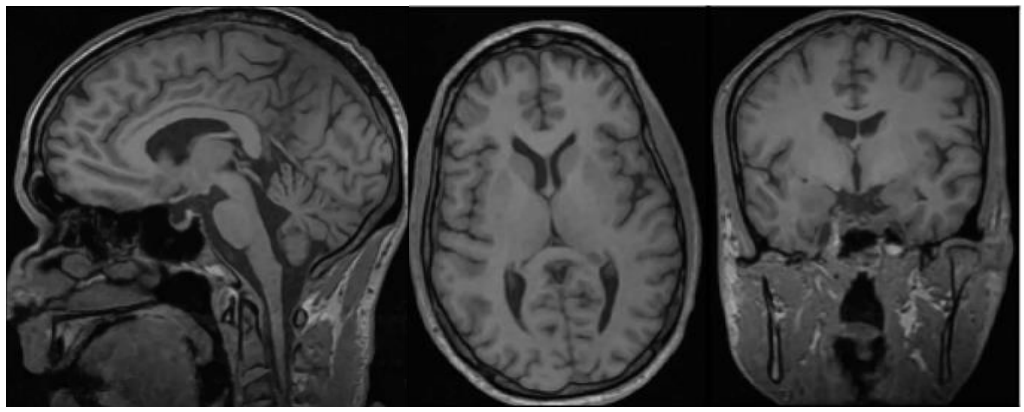
$p \leq 1 \times 10^{-5}$



PROJeCTOR 3D



3D Calgary Dataset
167 Raw k-space data



Acceleration Factor=20

Weiss et al, MELBA 2021; Wang et al IEEE TMI 2022

Chaithya GR et al, BioEng 2023

Conclusion and Perspectives



- Ultra-high field imaging allows neuroscientists to probe the human brain in vivo at unprecedented spatial resolution (200 μ m isotropic) thanks to high SNR
- However, to meet clinical examination constraints, scan time must be short without impeding image quality
- SPARKLING: a new CS-driven accelerated MR data acquisition technique
- Complexity of imaging was transferred to image reconstruction
 - Fortunately, deep learning went to the rescue to provide fast and ultra-clear image quality
 - NC-PDNet scales to 3D non-Cartesian imaging and off-resonance correction
 - Scalable to multi-coil imaging thanks to a new era of GPU boards (A100 and currently H100)
 - Unsupervised learning either using SSDU or PnP approaches
- Ongoing work: extension to fMRI with SNAKE-fMRI

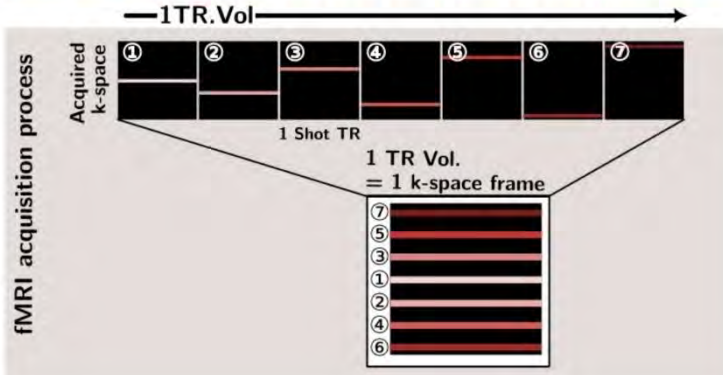
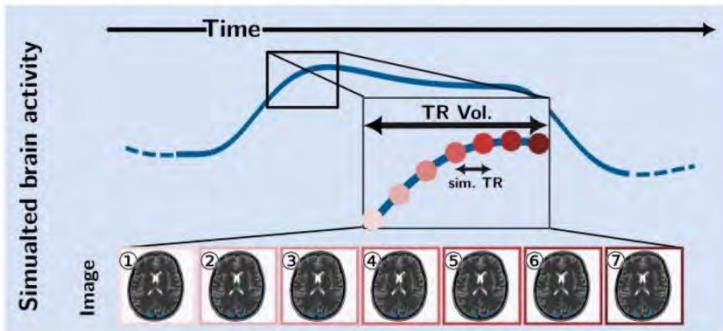
Q2.3 - Supervision with realistic synthetic fMRI data



Principle of high temporal resolution for shot-wise acquisition

Handler Acquisition

accel: 4
shot_time_ms : 50
pattern: Spiral
...



Simulation	
Properties	shape: (192,192,128) FOV: (0.192, 0.192, 128) sim_tr_ms: 100 n_coils: 4 lazy: True
Data array	static_vol data_acq kspace_data data_ref kspace_mask ROI
Extras	trajectory_params events_bold ...



3. Comparison

GLM analysis
Confusion Matrices

2. Reconstruction

PySAP
Adjoint Reconstruction
Sequential
Low-Rank + Sparse

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- Functional API for prototyping

```

from snkf.simulation import SimData
from my_local_package import ScannerDriftHandler
from snkf.handlers import H

sim = SimData(shape=(64,64), fov=(.192, .192), sim_time=300, sim_tr= 0.1, )
simulator = H["phantom-big"] >> H["activation-block"] >> H["scanner-poly-drift"]
sim = simulator(sim) # update the simulation by running it through the handlers.
  
```

- Configuration file and CLI

```

$ pip install snake-fmri
$ snkf-main --config-name="scenario1"
# Using Hydra, parameters can be modified and run over a grid of parameter.
$ snkf-main --config-name="scenario2" -m ++reconstructors.sequential.restart_strategy=cold,warm,refine
  
```

To reproduce data of the previous slide



<https://github.com/paquiteau/snake-fmri>

<https://hal.science/hal-04533862v1/document>



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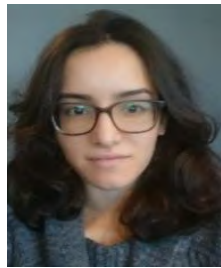
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TOPIC: High resolution SPARKLING fMRI imaging on humans at 11.7T

Towards 3D SPARKLING



$$\hat{\mathbf{K}} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{K} \in \mathcal{Q}} F_N(\mathbf{K}, \pi) = F_N^a(\mathbf{K}, \pi) - F_N^r(\mathbf{K})$$

$$F_N^a(\mathbf{K}, \pi) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \int_{\omega} \|x - \mathbf{K}[i]\|_2 \pi(x) dx$$



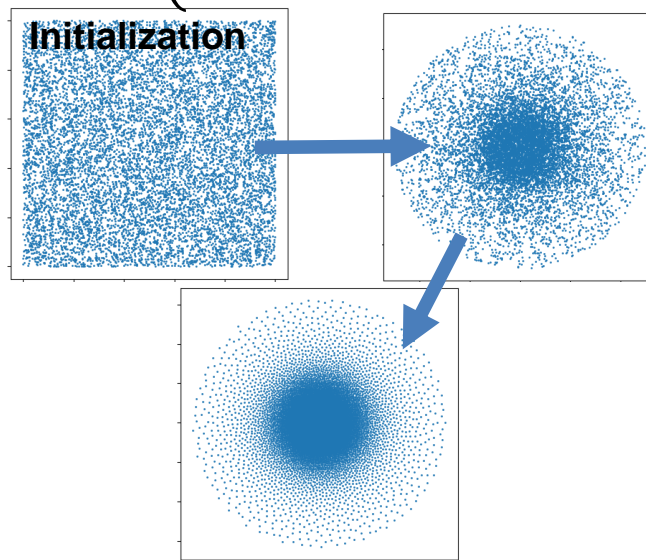
$$F_N^r(\mathbf{K}) = \frac{1}{2N^2} \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq N} \|\mathbf{K}[i] - \mathbf{K}[j]\|_2$$

$\rightarrow O(N^2)$

$$\mathbf{K}^{t+1} = \Pi_{\mathcal{Q}}(\mathbf{K}^t - \eta^t \nabla F_N(\mathbf{K}^t, \pi))$$

$\rightarrow O(N_c)$

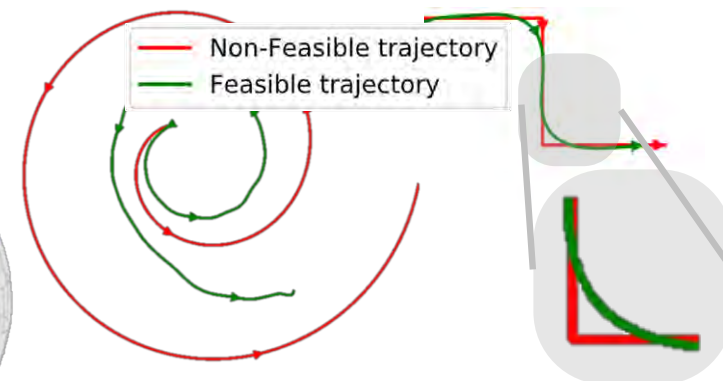
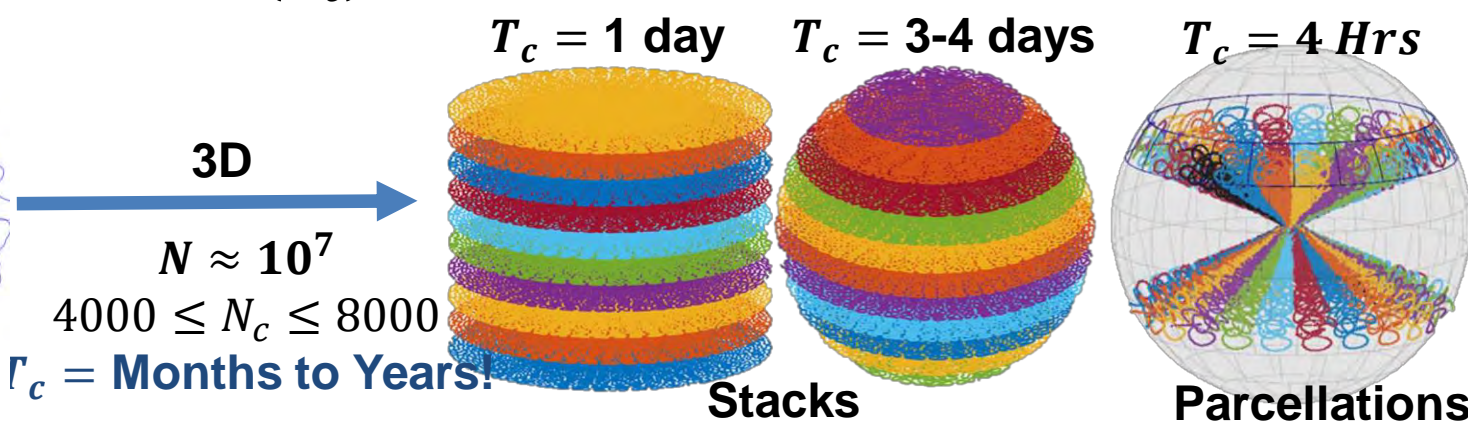
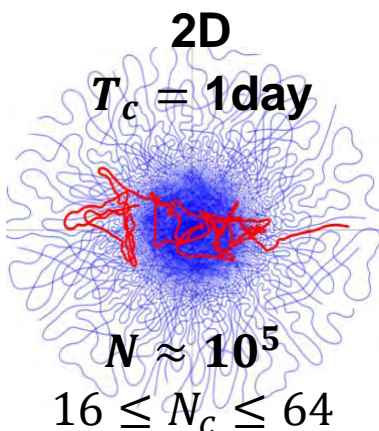
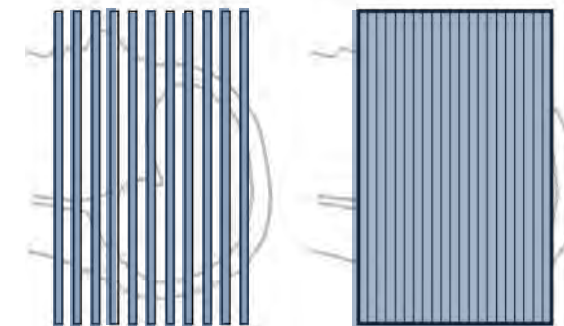
$$\mathcal{Q} = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \forall i \in \{1, \dots, N_c\}, \mathbf{k}_i [TE] = [0, 0, 0]^T \\ \|\dot{\mathbf{k}}_i\|_{2, \infty} \leq \alpha, \|\ddot{\mathbf{k}}_i\|_{2, \infty} \leq \beta \end{array} \right\}$$



SNR \propto Excited Volume

2D slices

single-slab 3D



Lazarus et al, SPARKLING: variable-density k-space filling curves for accelerated T_2^* -weighted MRI, MRM 2019

Lazarus et al, 3D SPARKLING for high resolution T_2^* -weighted MRI, NMR Biomed 2020

Accelerating for Fully 3D SPARKLING

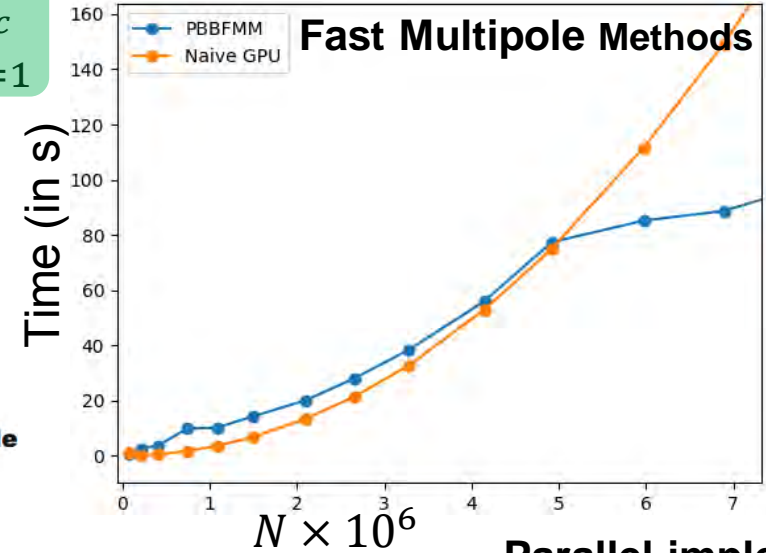
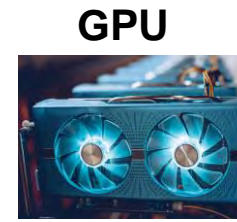
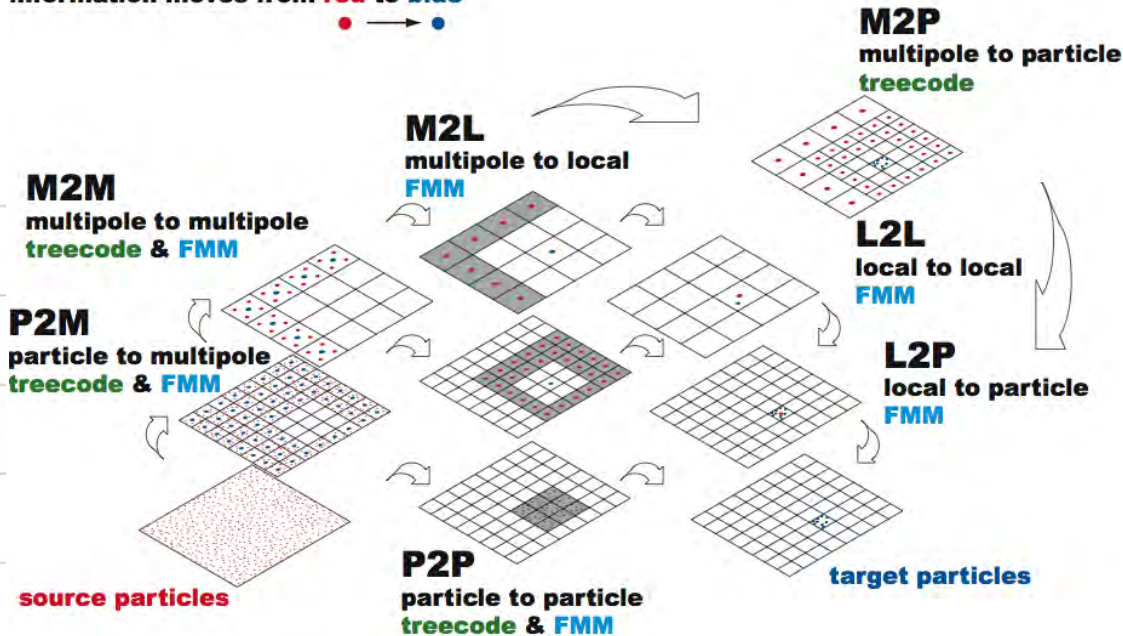
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N-Body problem

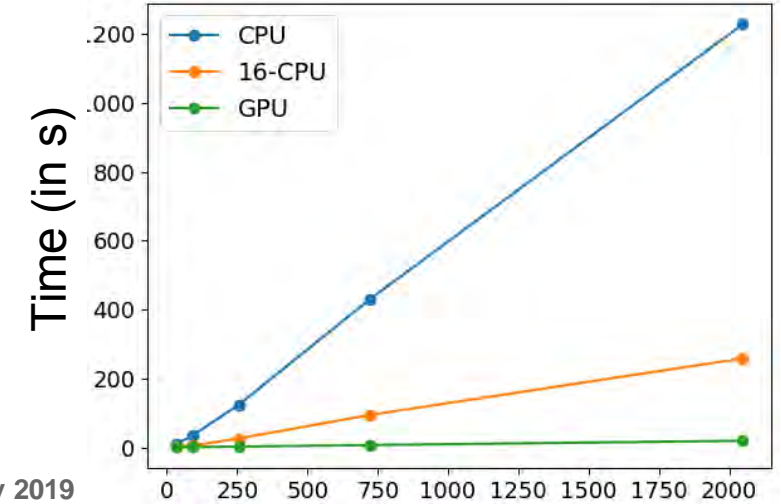
$$\Pi_Q(K) = \left[\Pi_Q(k_i) \right]_{i=1}^{N_c} \quad O(N_c)$$

$O(N^2)$ \rightarrow $O(N \log N)$
Highly parallel

information moves from red to blue
● \rightarrow ●



Parallel implementations

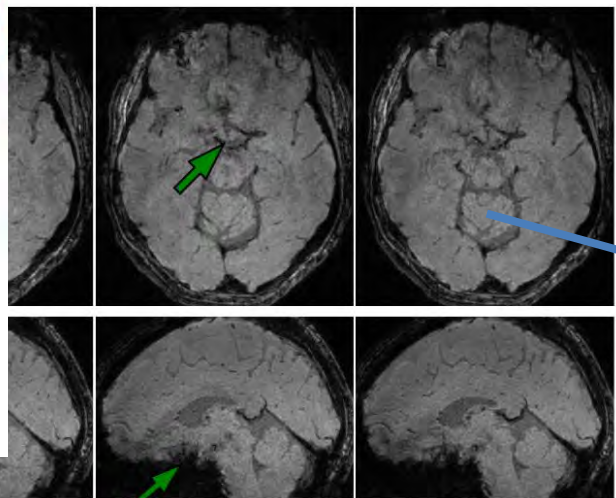
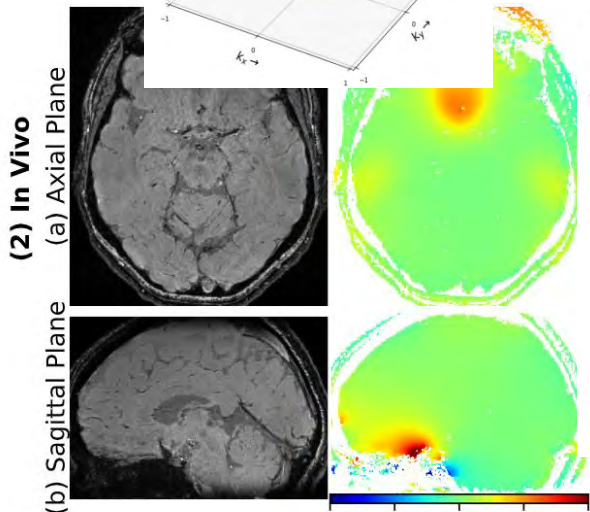
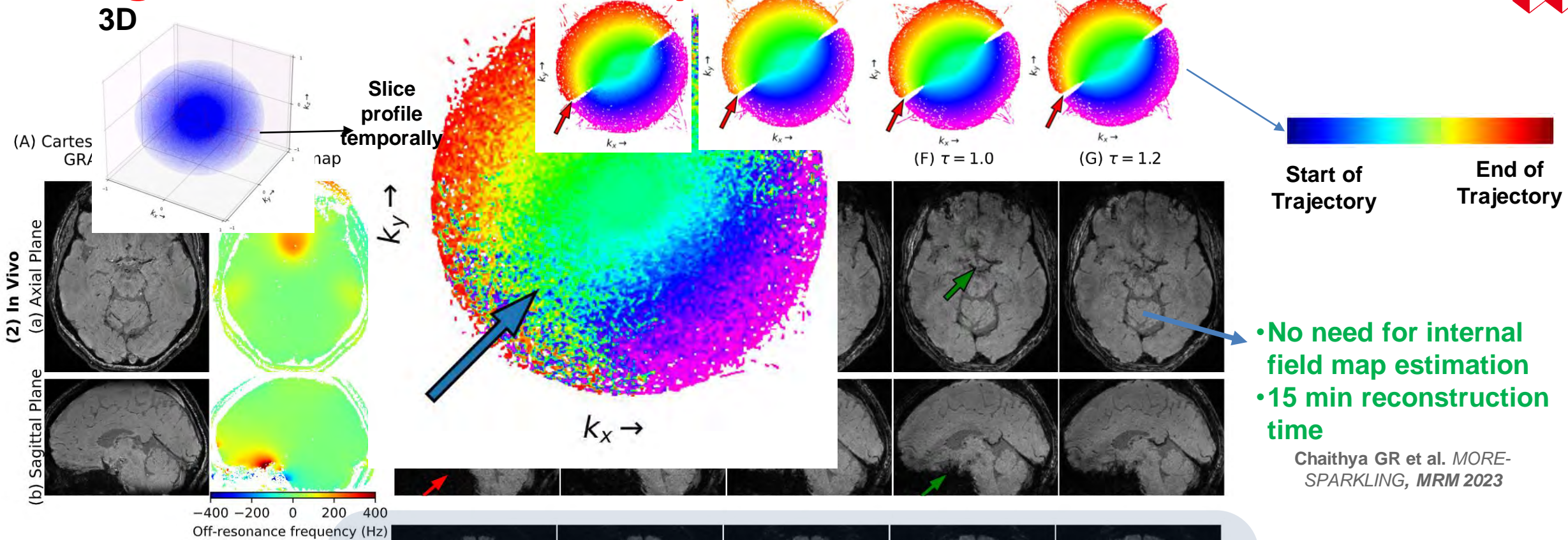


Wang et. al. PBBFMM3D: a Parallel Black-Box Fast Multipole Method for Non-oscillatory Kernels, arxiv 2019
<https://www.bu.edu/pasi/courses/12-steps-to-having-a-fast-multipole-method-on-gpus/>

Chaitya et al, IEEE TMI 2022



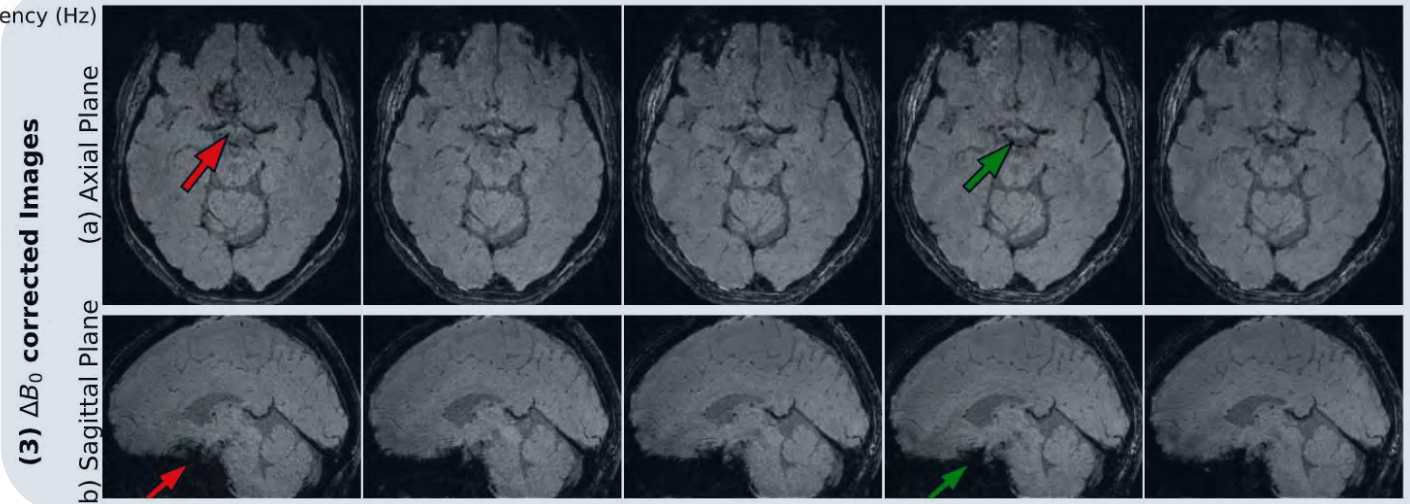
Tackling off-resonance at acquisition: MORE-SPARKLING



- No need for internal field map estimation
- 15 min reconstruction time

Chaithya GR et al. MORE-SPARKLING, MRM 2023

- Additional internal field map estimation
- 8 hours reconstruction time



Daval-Fr erot et al, Iterative static field map estimation for off-resonance correction in SWI, MRM 2022