



# Joint Bayesian Compressed Sensing with Prior Estimate

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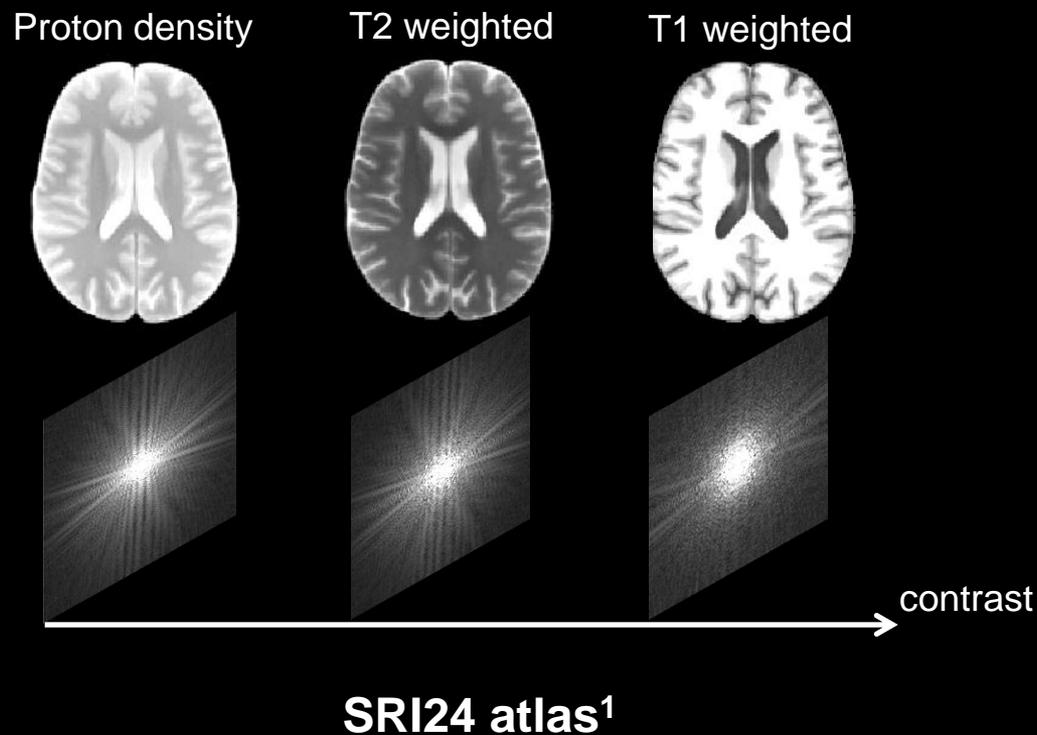
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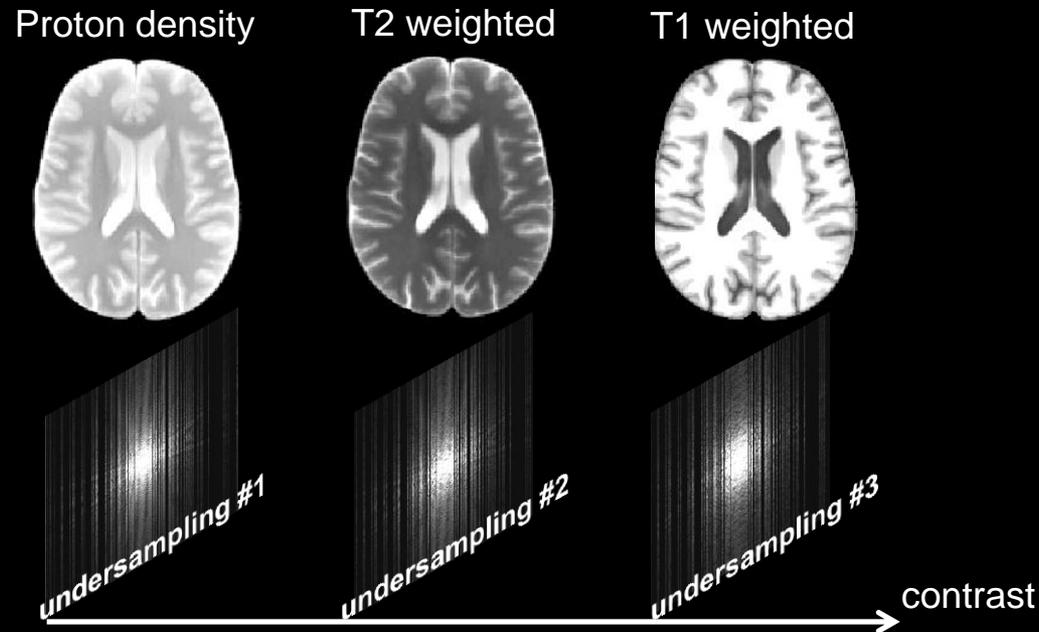
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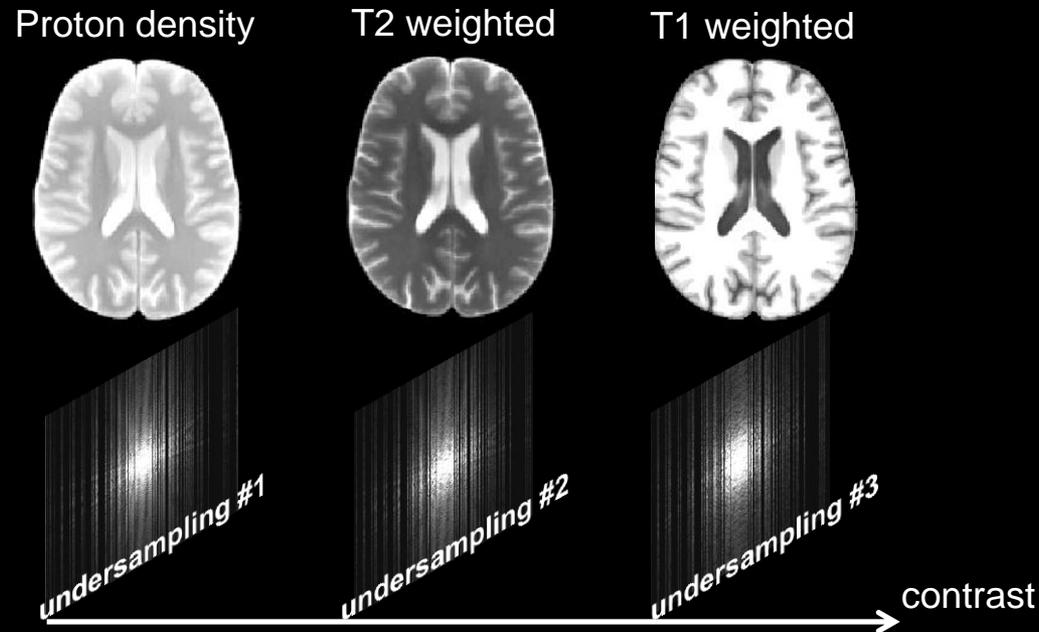
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- Joint reconstruction from undersampled acquisitions substantially improves reconstruction quality<sup>1</sup>

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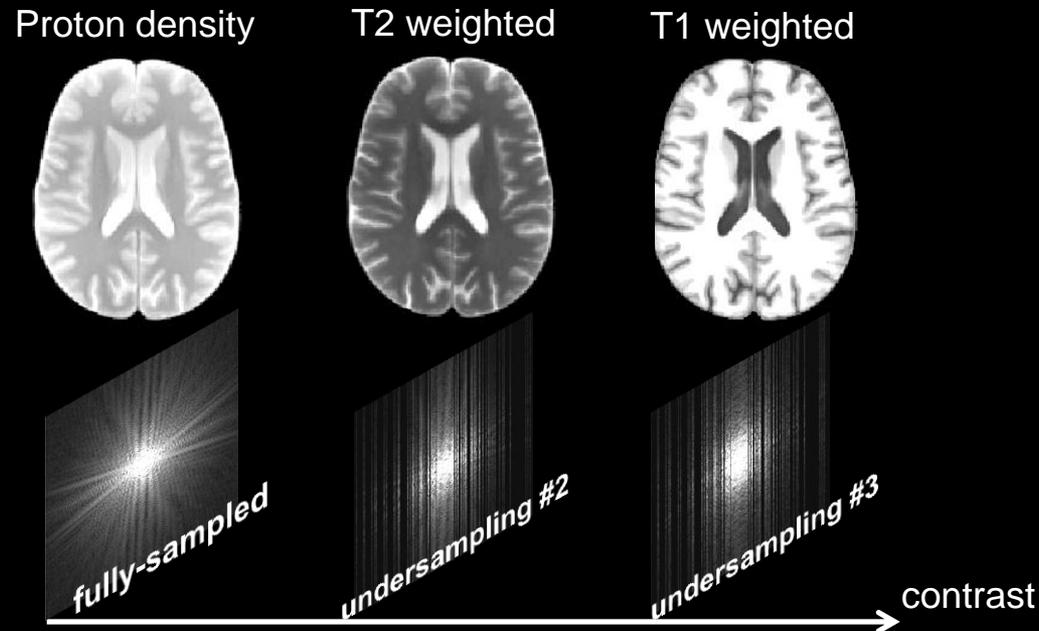
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## Observation model

$$\mathbf{F} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{y}$$

$\mathbf{F}$ : partial Fourier transform

$\mathbf{x}$ : image to be estimated

$\mathbf{y}$ : undersampled k-space data

## Observation model – sparse representation

$$\mathbf{V} \mathbf{F} \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{V} = (\mathbf{1} - e^{-2\pi j\omega/n})$$

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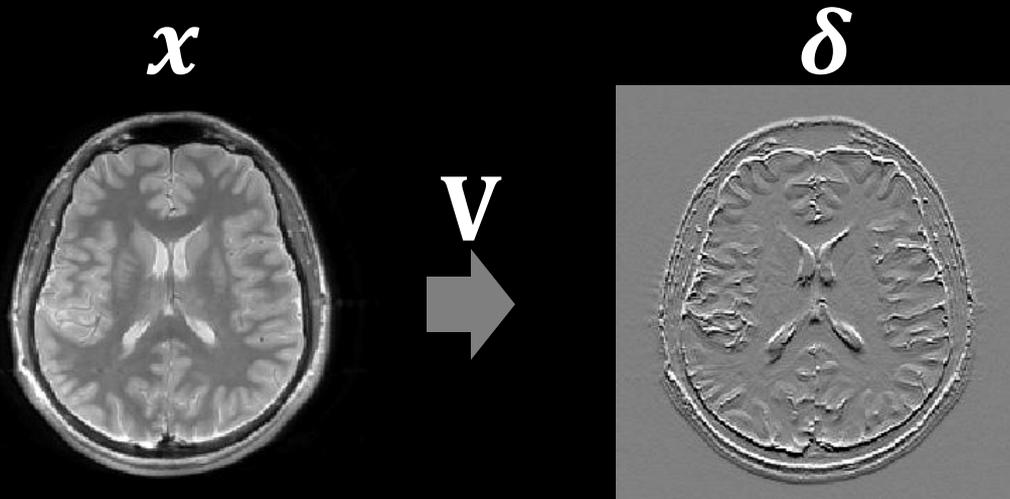
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## Data likelihood

- Assuming that the k-space data is corrupted by complex-valued Gaussian noise with  $\sigma^2$  variance,

$$p(\tilde{\mathbf{y}} \mid \boldsymbol{\delta}, \sigma^2) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{F}\boldsymbol{\delta} - \tilde{\mathbf{y}}, \sigma^2)$$

Gaussian  
likelihood

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- Multiplicative combination of all pixels give the full prior distribution,

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$$\boldsymbol{\Gamma} = \text{diag}(\boldsymbol{\gamma})$$

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = (\sigma^2 \mathbf{I} + \mathbf{F} \boldsymbol{\Gamma} \mathbf{F}^H)^{-1}$$

Inversion using Lanczos algorithm<sup>1</sup>

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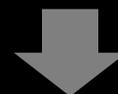
} Use  $\gamma_{prior}$  to initialize  
the EM iterations for  
undersampled images

# Extended Shepp-Logan Phantoms

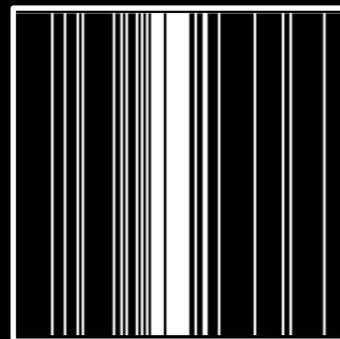
fully-sampled prior



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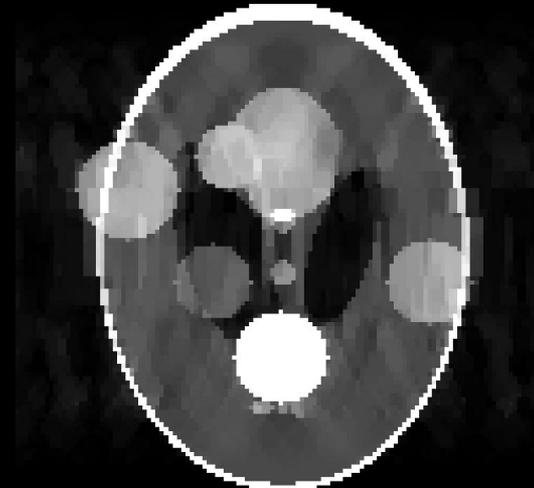
$R = 4$



sampling pattern

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sparseMRI<sup>1</sup>: Total Variation



20.1% RMSE



error: scaled 10x

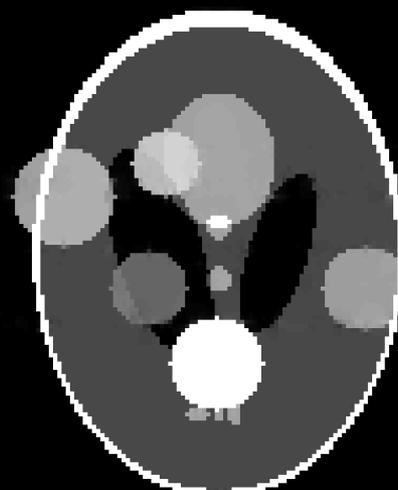
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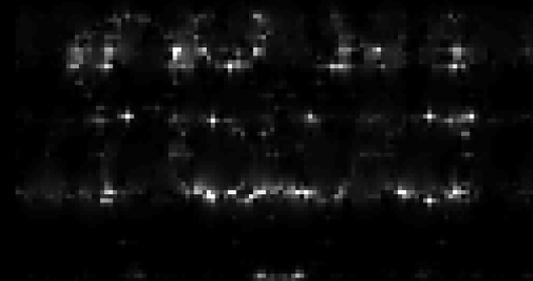
Bayesian CS w/ prior



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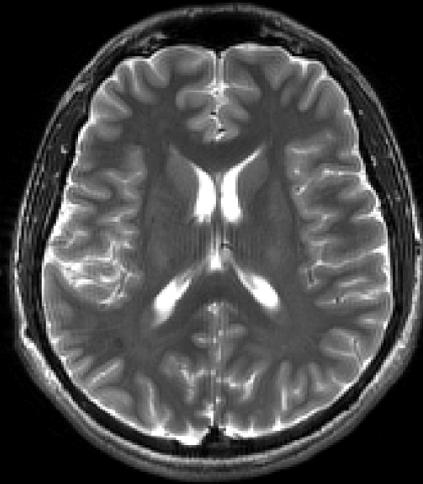
BCS w/ prior:  3.0% RMSE



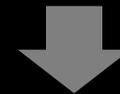
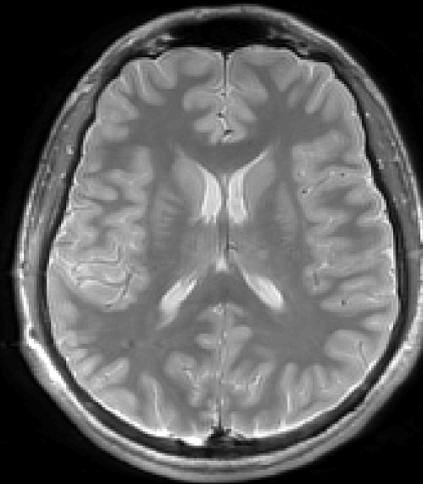
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# Turbo Spin Echo

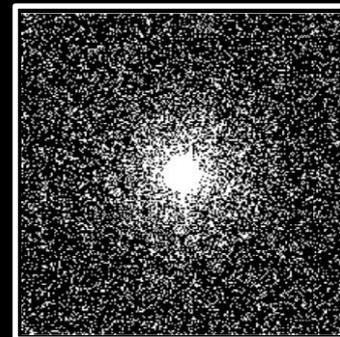
Late Echo  
fully-sampled prior



Early Echo  
undersampled



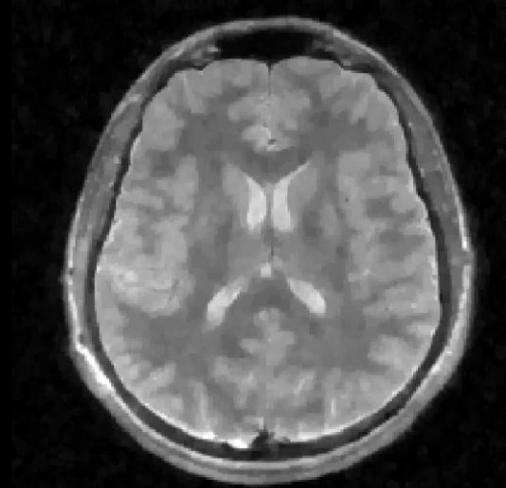
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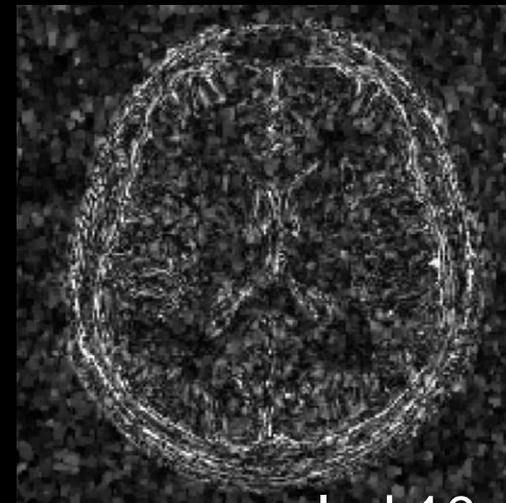
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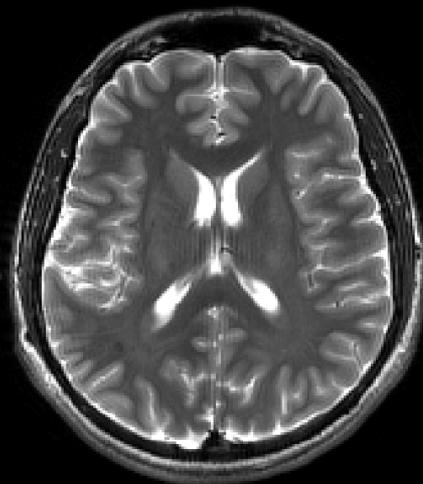


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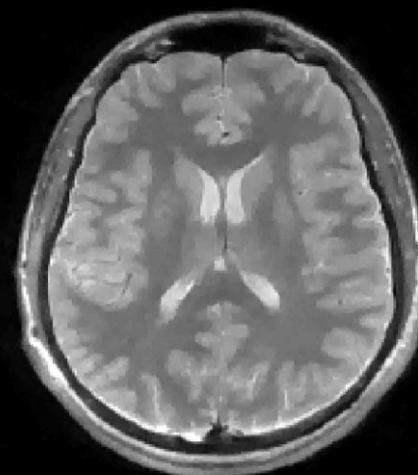
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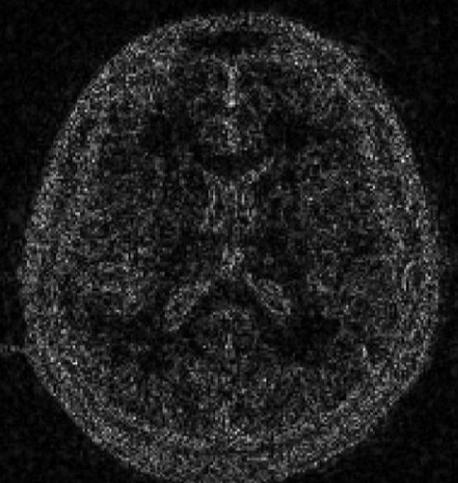
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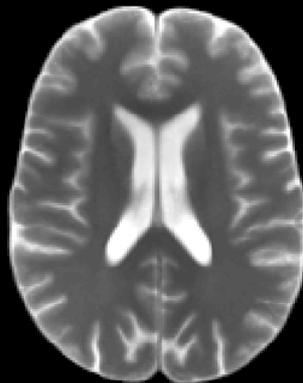
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# SRI24 atlas

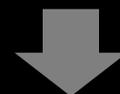
proton density  
fully-sampled prior



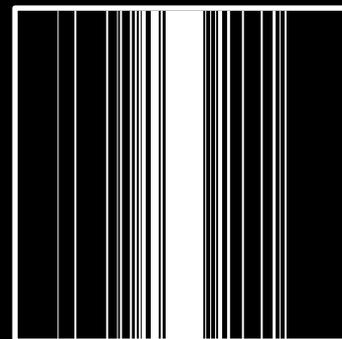
T2 weighted  
undersampled



T1 weighted  
undersampled

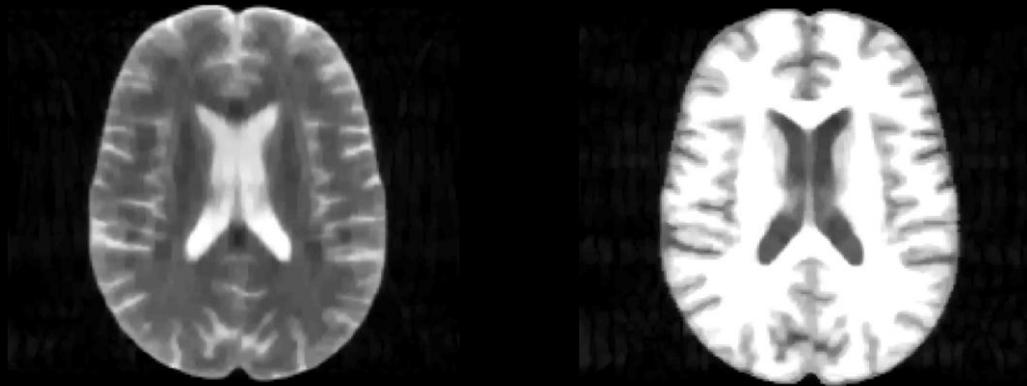


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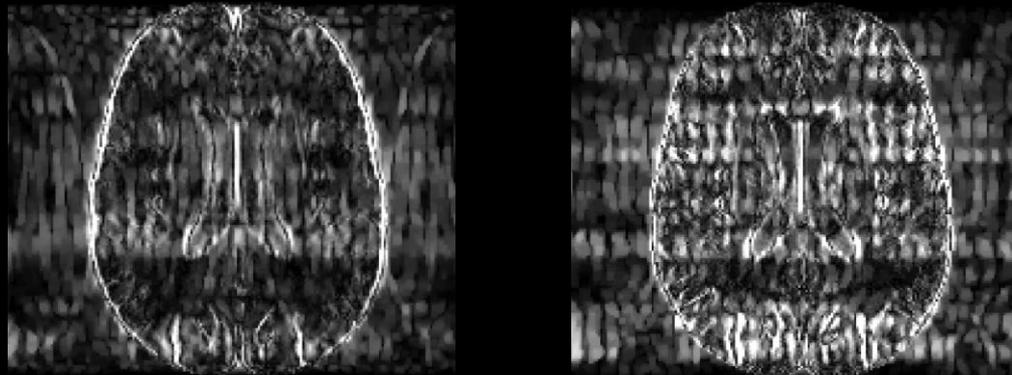


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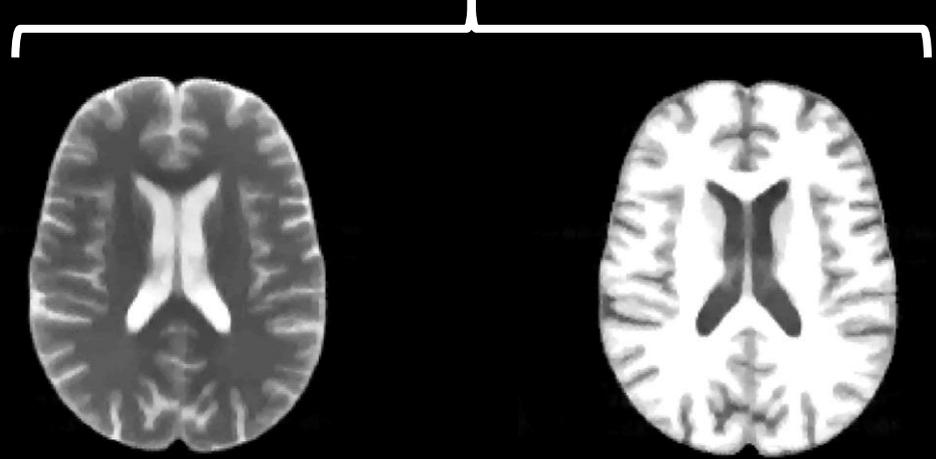
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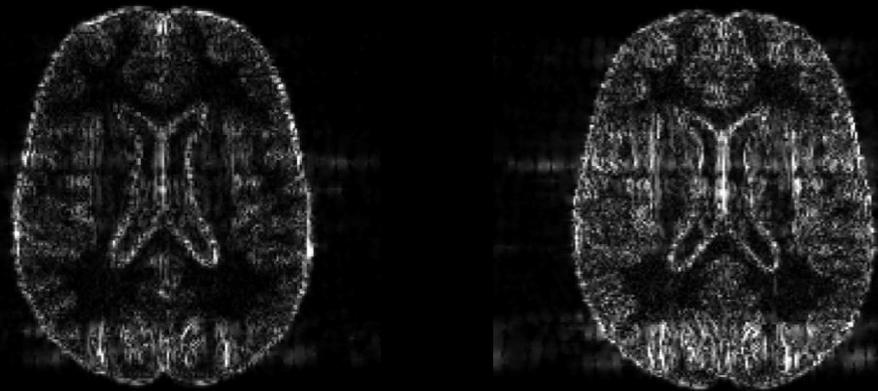
sparseMRI:  9.5% RMSE

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Joint Bayesian CS<sup>1</sup>



4.9% RMSE



error: scaled 10x

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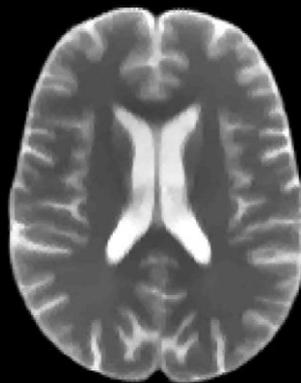
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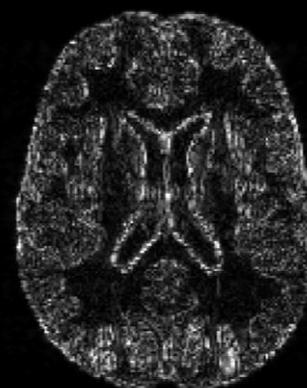
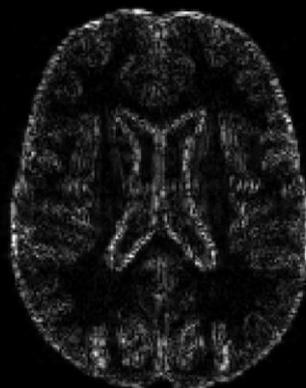
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