

A Bayesian Approach to SENSE Image Reconstruction in FMRI

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Outline

Introduction

Full Sampled (k-Space) Reconstruction

Data fully sampled and whole images are reconstructed from single channel and multi-channel data.

Sub Sampled (k-Space) Reconstruction

Multi-channel data subsampled and aliased images are reconstructed. Need to be unaliased and combined.

Bayesian Reconstruction

Prior distributions on coil sensitivities and voxel values then estimated *a posteriori*. Similar to Bayesian factor analysis.

Discussion

Estimated latent variable parameters and reconstructed images.

Introduction

In fMRI and MRI, voxel values are NOT measured by the machine, the measurements taken by the machine are an array of complex-valued spatial frequencies.

This array of complex-valued spatial frequencies needs to be reconstructed into an image for us to see, analyze, and interpret.

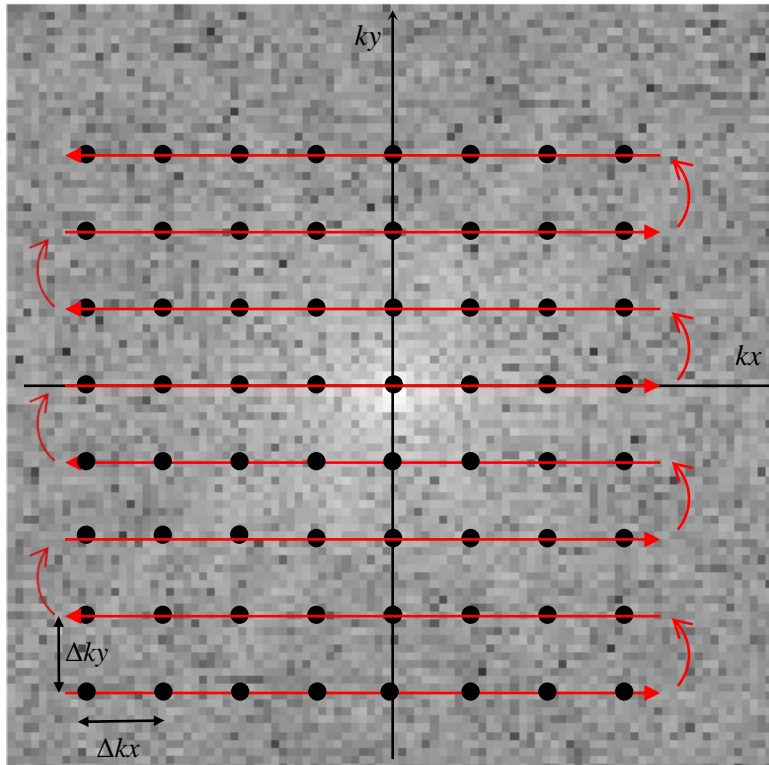
The array of complex-valued spatial frequencies are reconstructed into an image via the inverse Fourier transform.

Lets briefly remind ourselves what the FT and IFT are.

Full Reconstruction

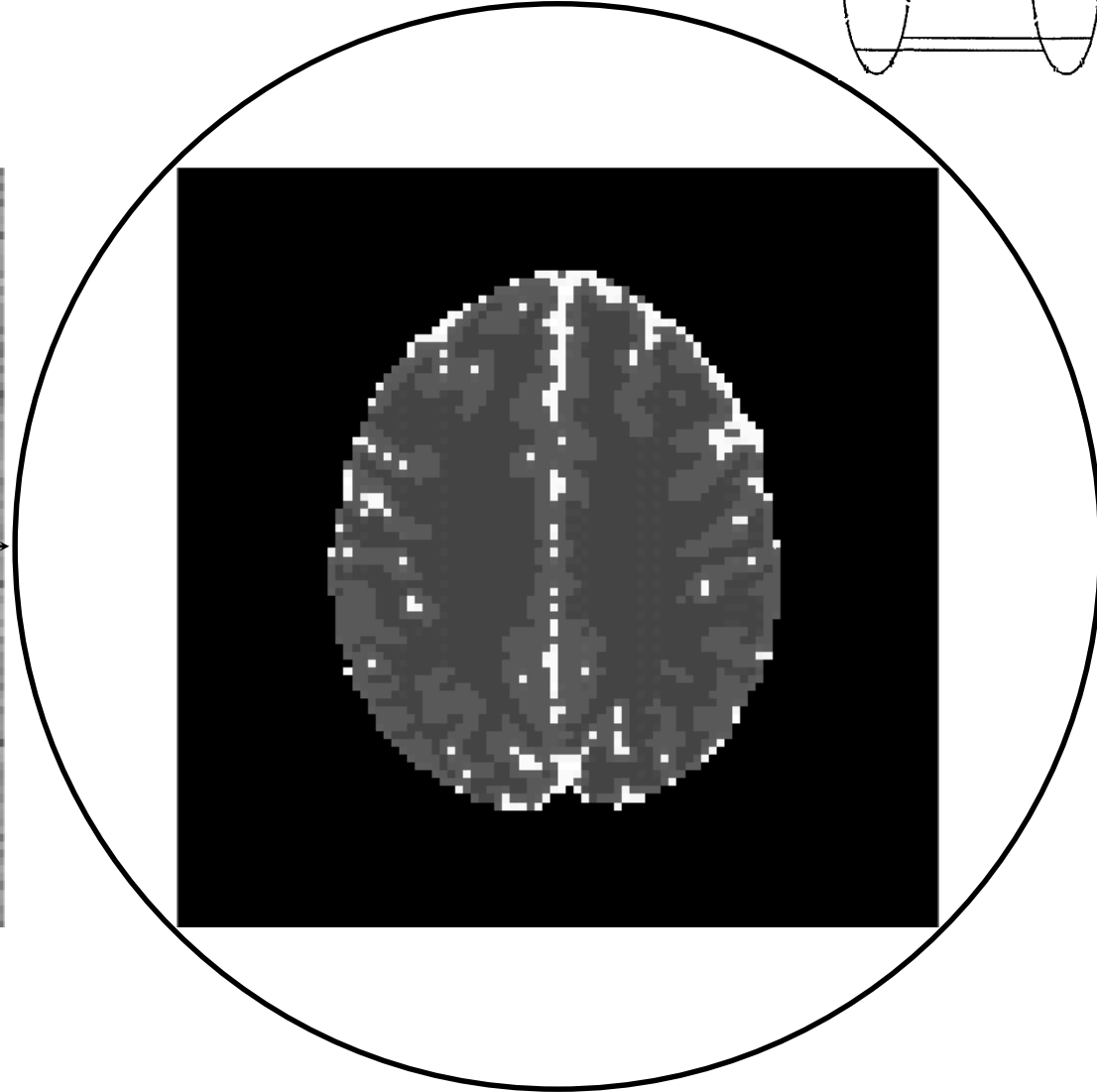
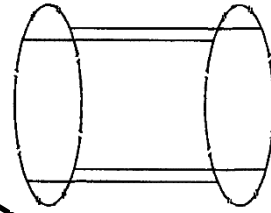
Single Coil Acquisition

Coil measures k -space.



Unaccelerated Acquisition ($A=1$).

Coil

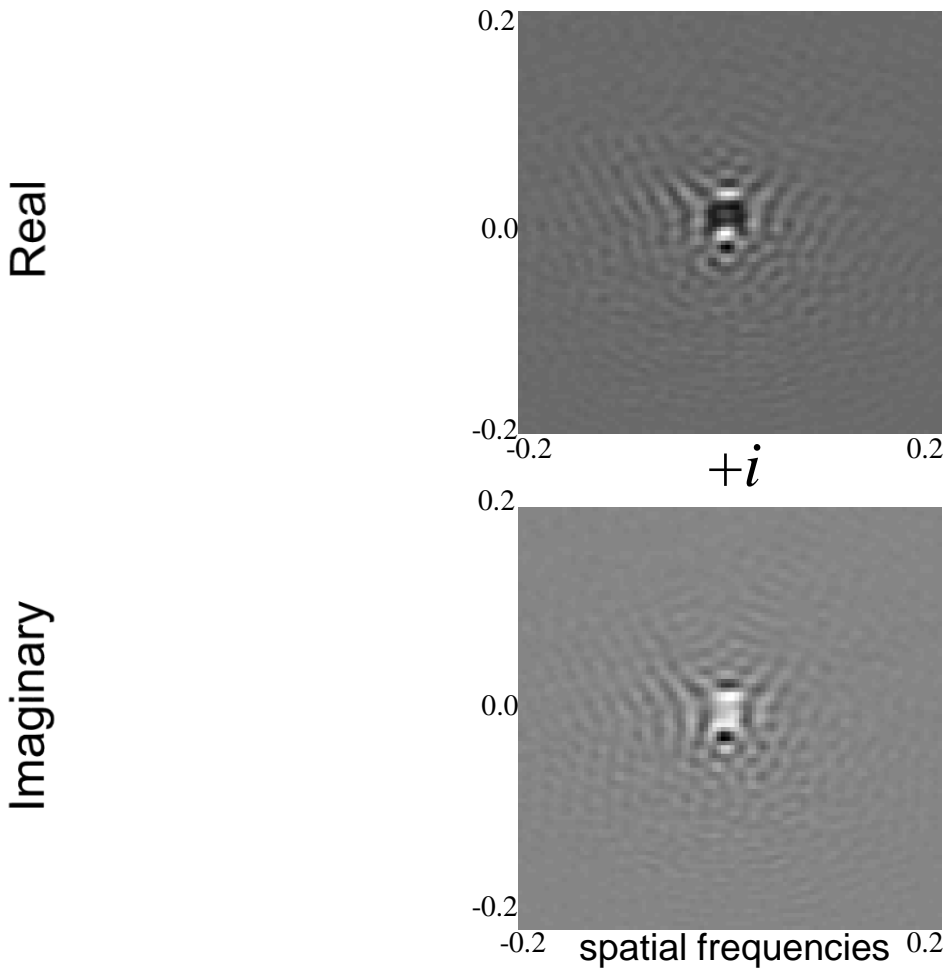


(FOV=240 mm)

 $(n_x=n_y=96, \Delta x=\Delta y=2.5 \text{ mm})$

Full Reconstruction

We inverse Fourier transform spatial freqs to generate image.

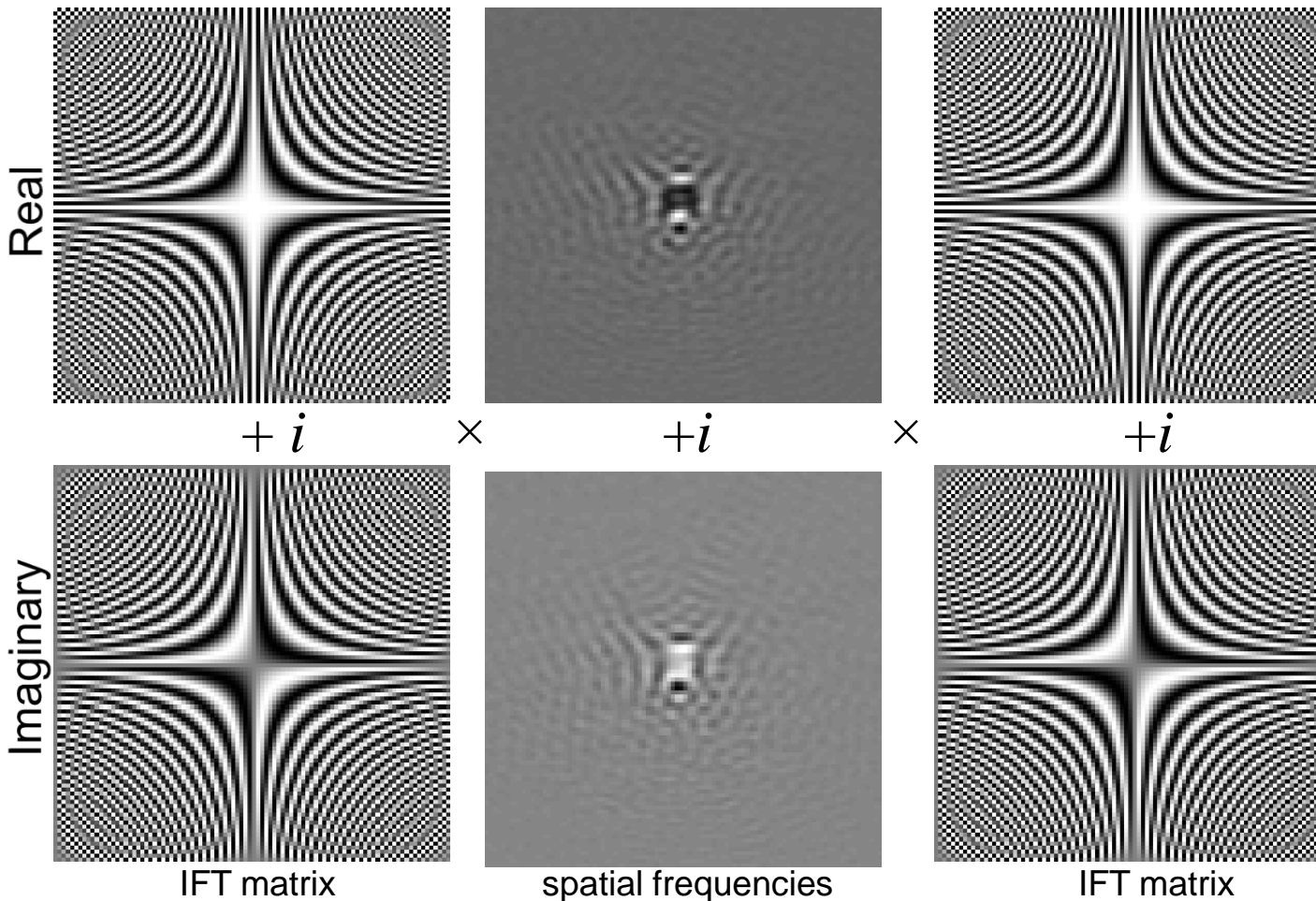


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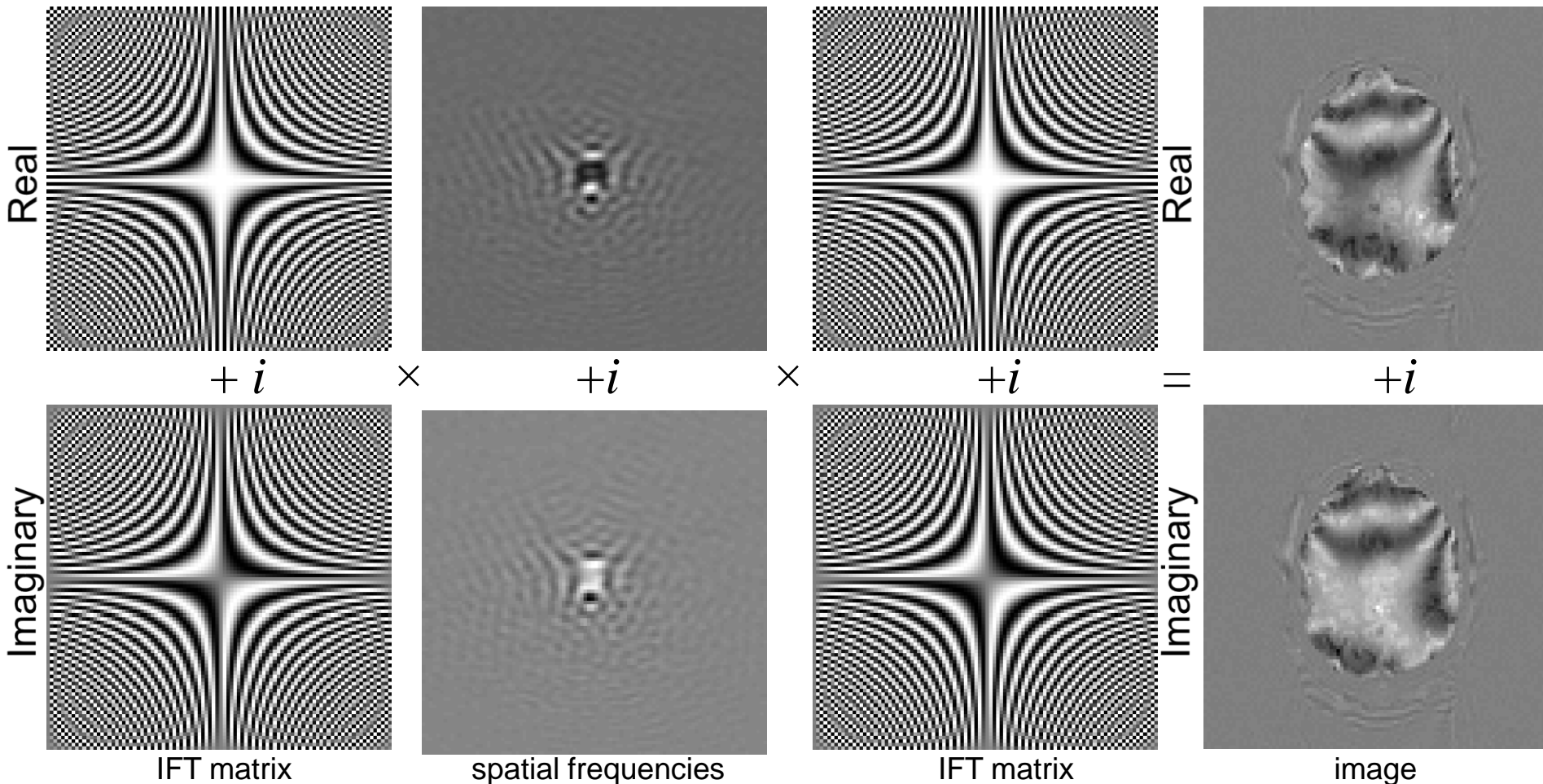


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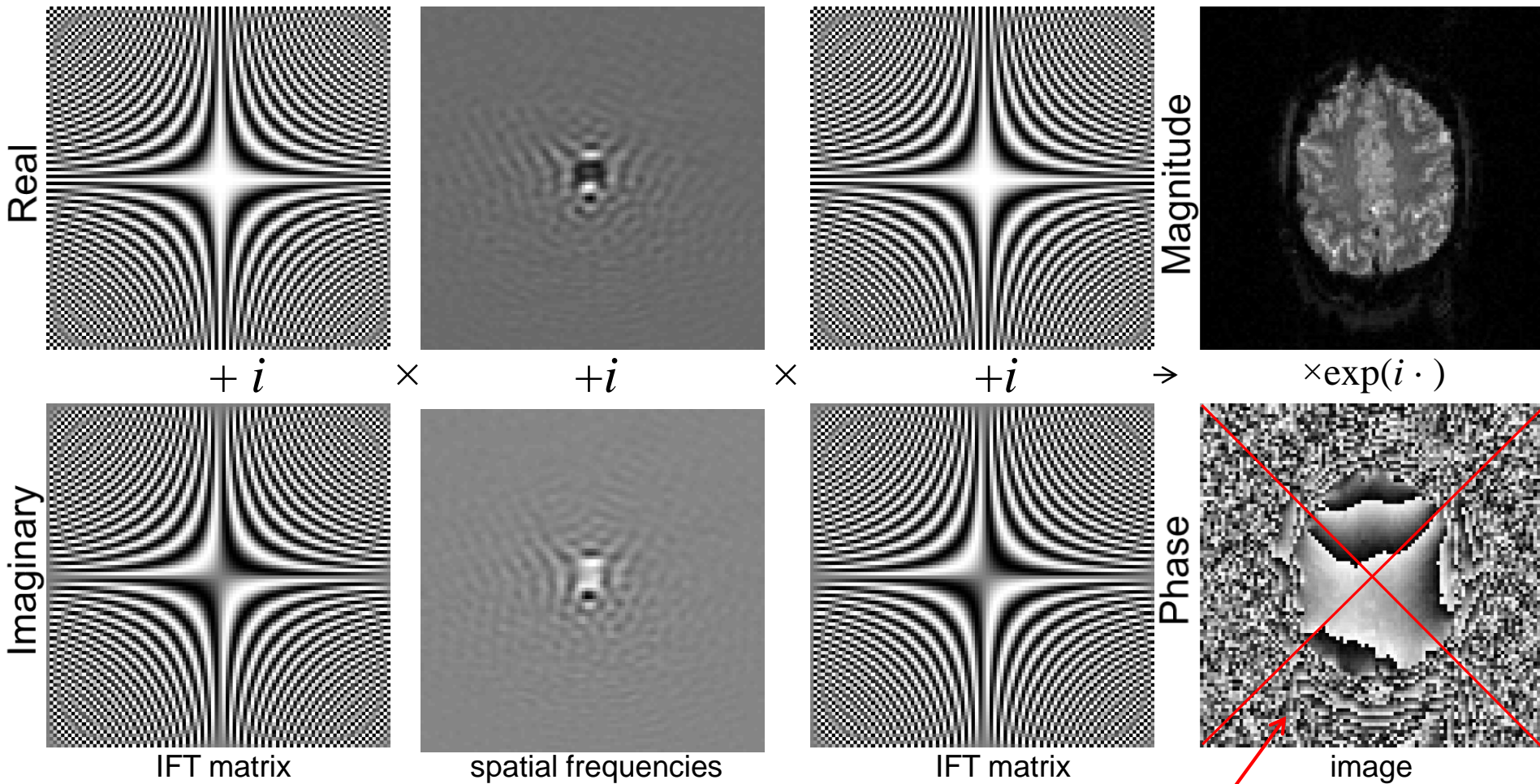


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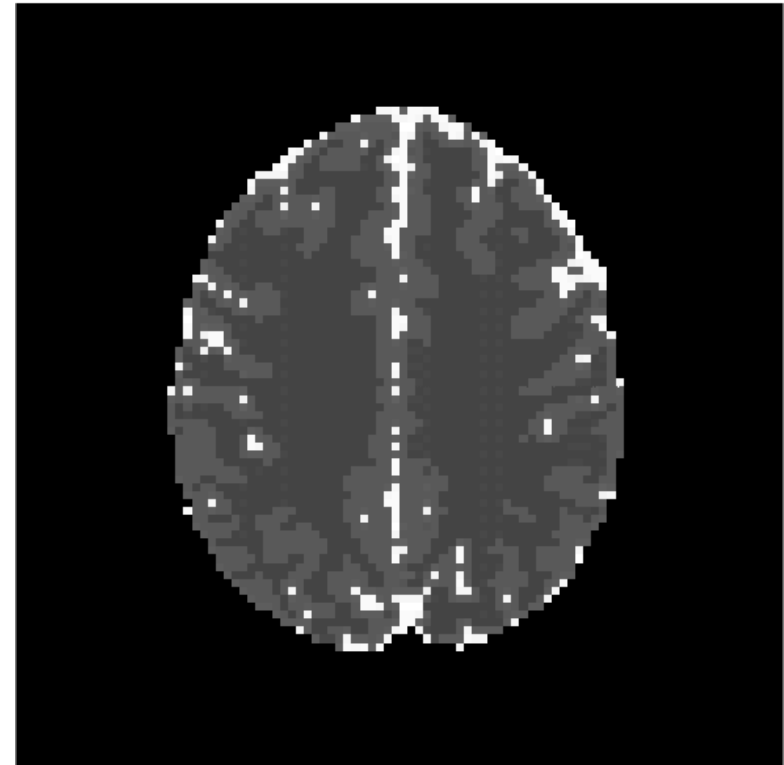
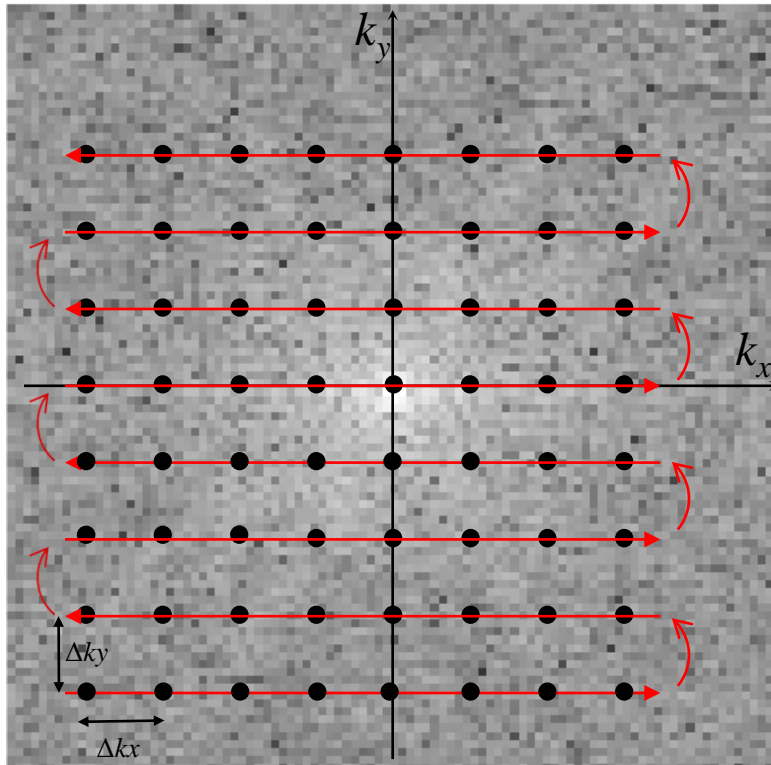
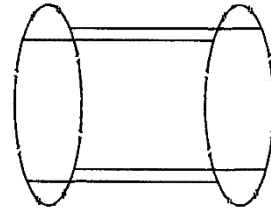
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Full Reconstruction

Multi-Coil Acquisition



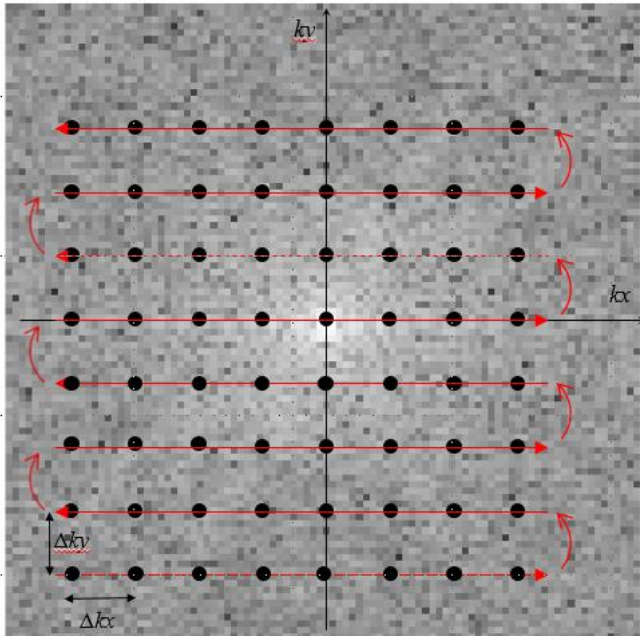
Each coil measures k -space.

$N_C=4, A=1$

Full Reconstruction

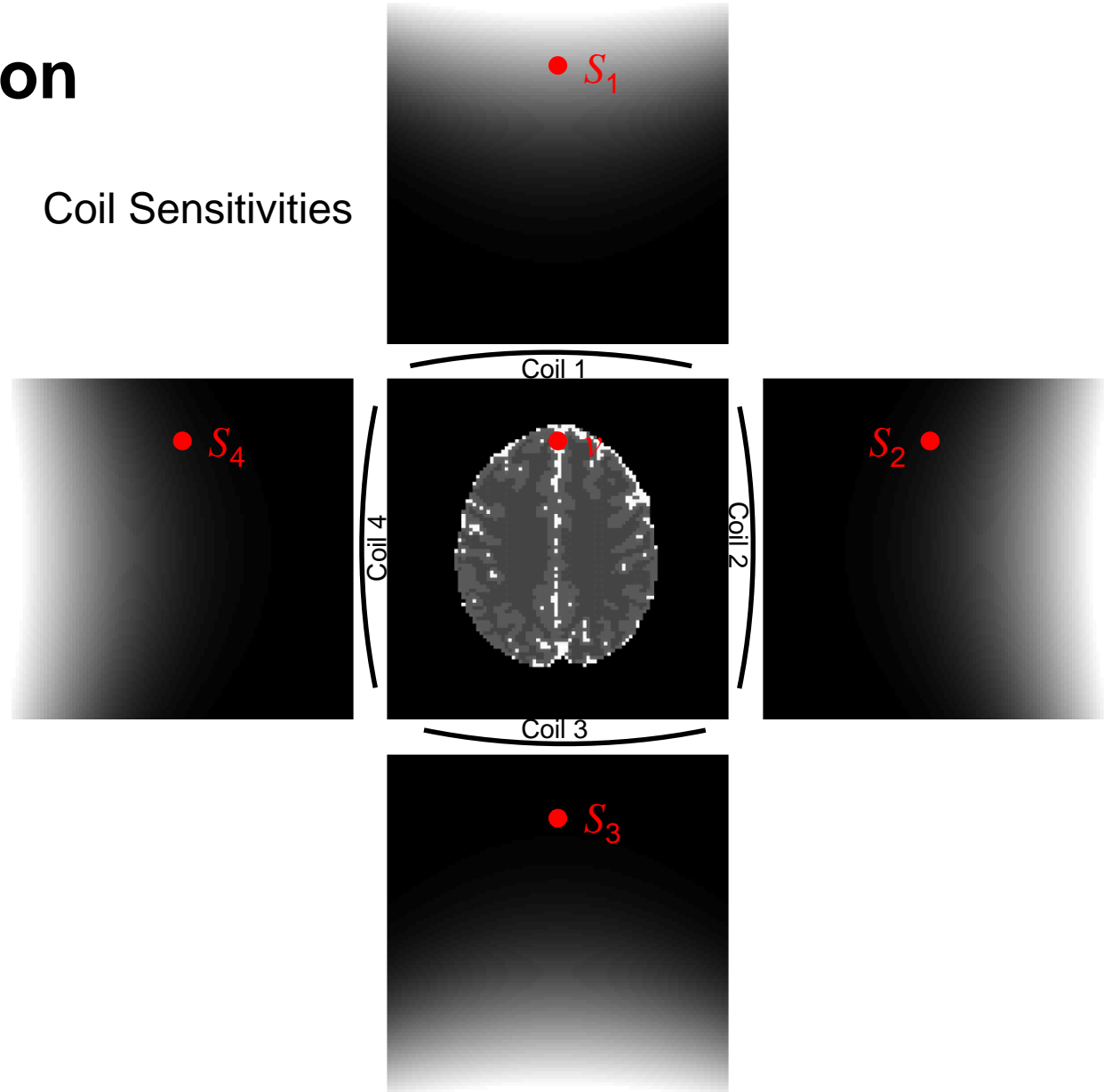
Multi-Coil Acquisition

Coil Sensitivities



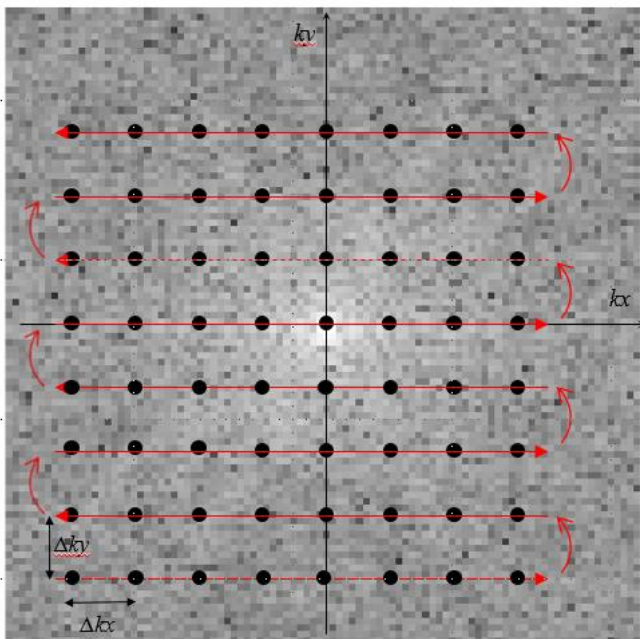
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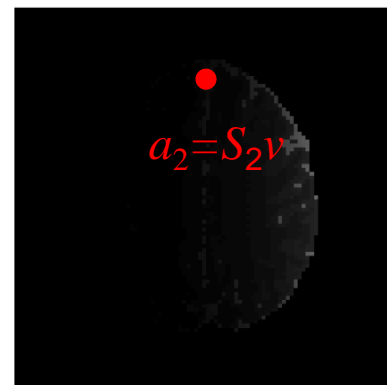
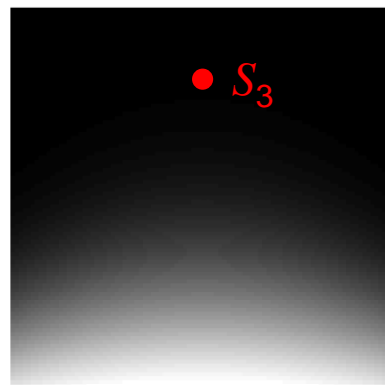
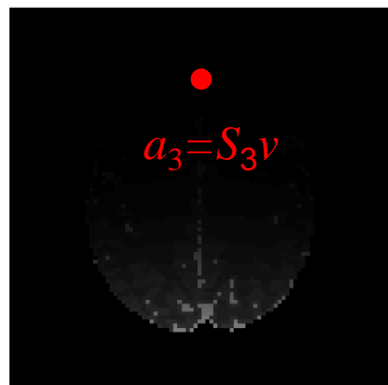
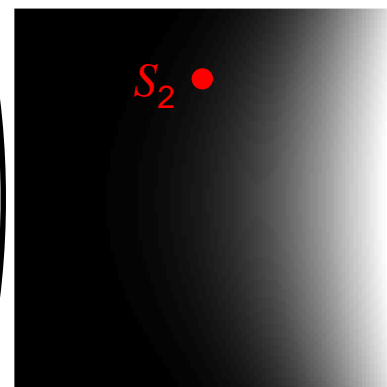
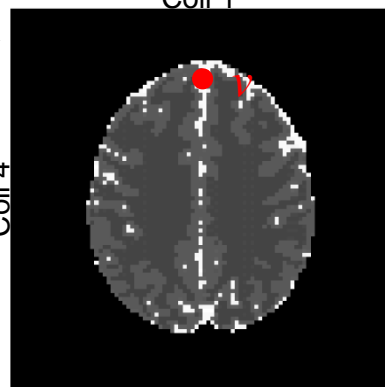
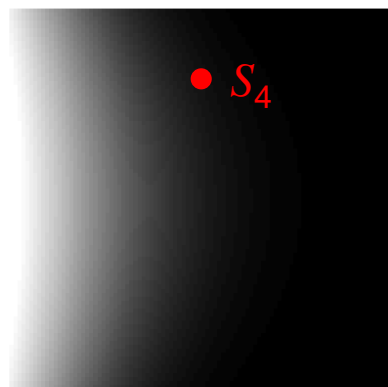
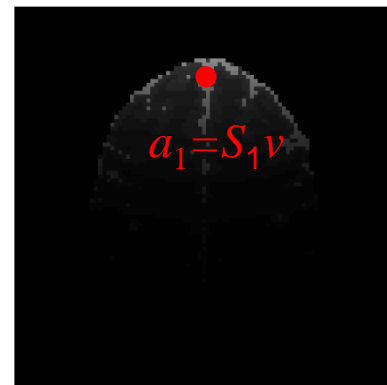
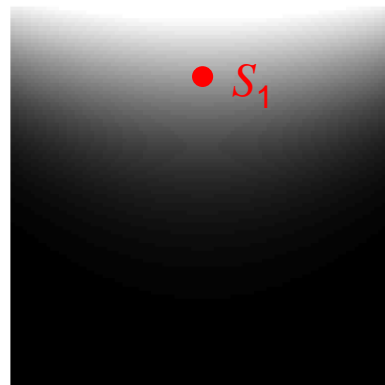
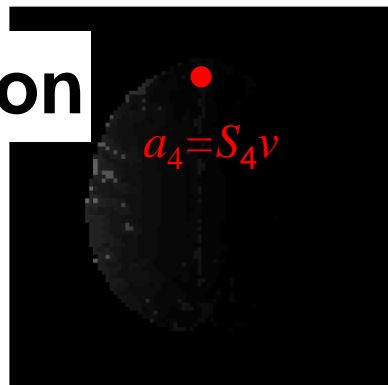
Full Reconstruction

Multi-Coil Acquisition



Each coil measures k -space.

$N_C=4, A=1$



Full Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

$$a_1 = S_1 v + \varepsilon_1$$

$$a_2 = S_2 v + \varepsilon_2$$

$$a_3 = S_3 v + \varepsilon_3$$

$$a_4 = S_4 v + \varepsilon_4 \quad N_C = 4$$

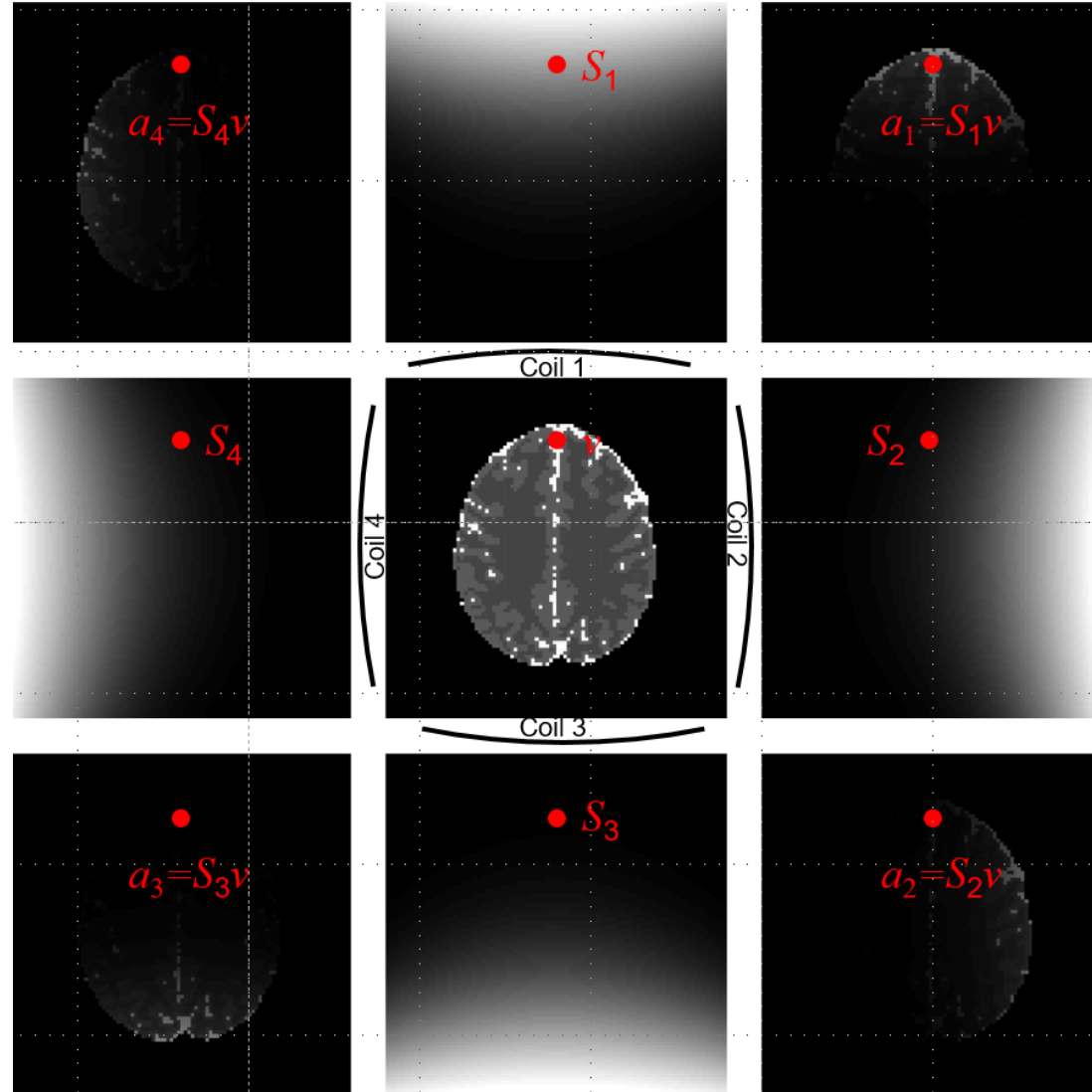
$$a = S v + \varepsilon$$

a observed

S and v unobserved

Ad-hoc estimate of S , then

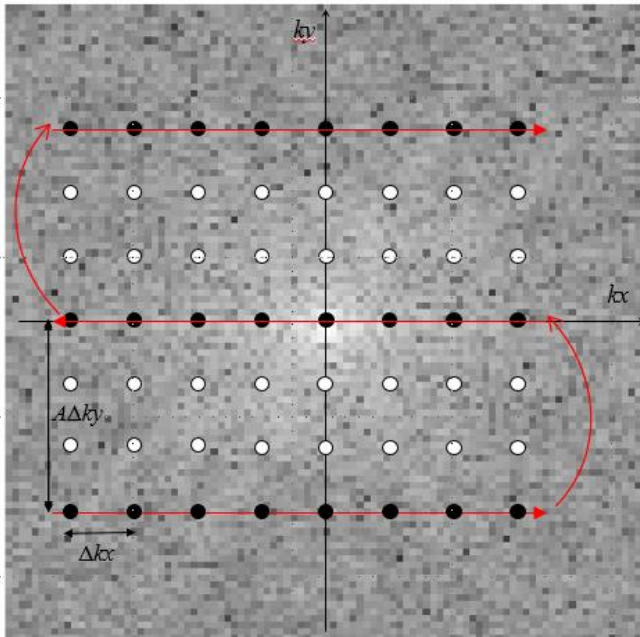
$$\hat{v} = (S'S)^{-1} S'a$$



But the goal is to get images faster!

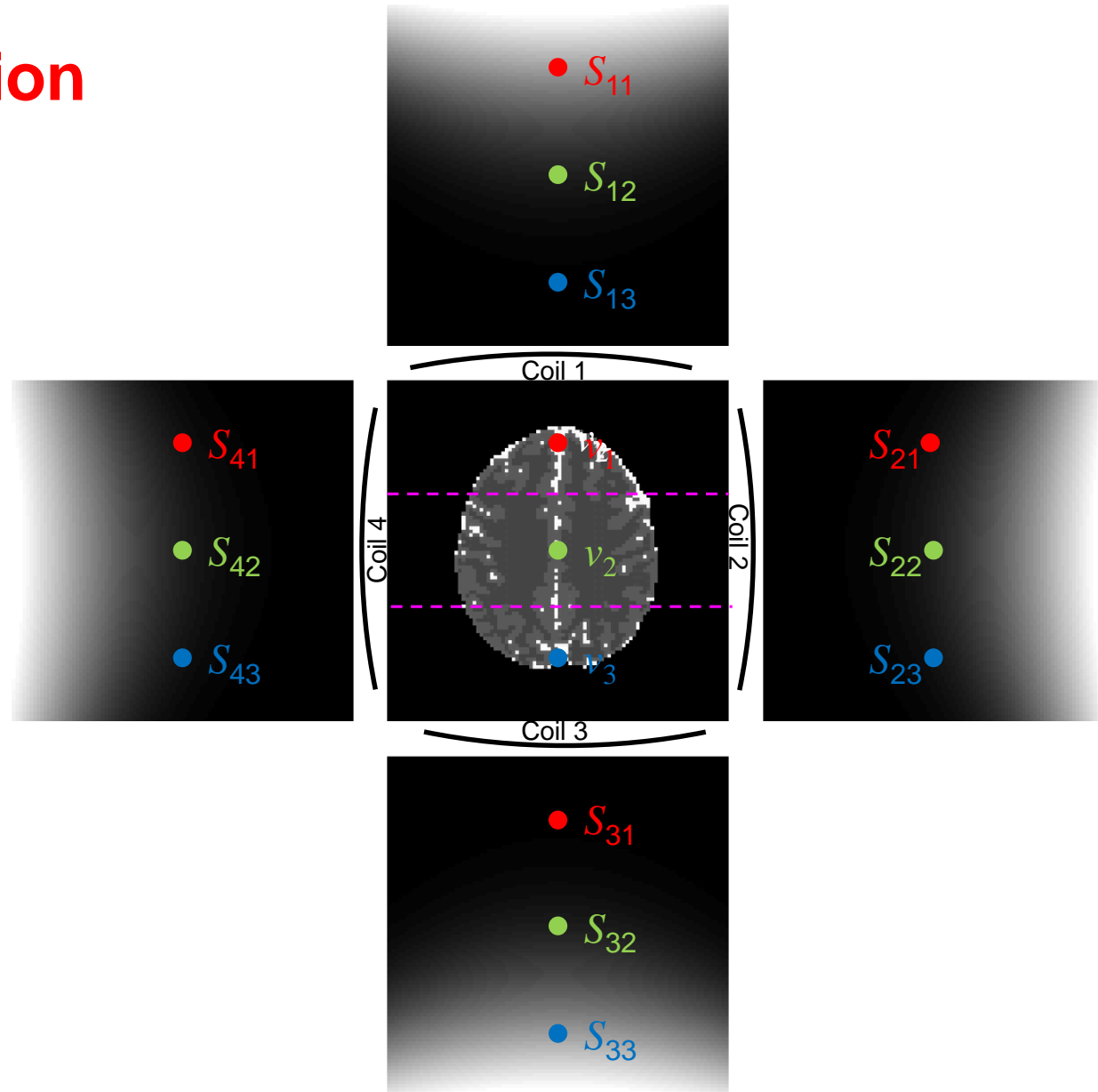
Sub Reconstruction

Multi-Coil Acquisition



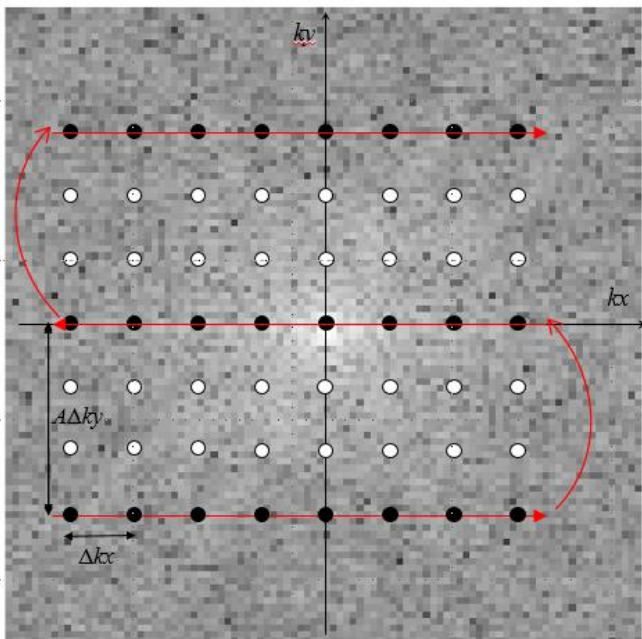
Each coil measures k -space.

$N_C=4, A=3$



Sub Reconstruction

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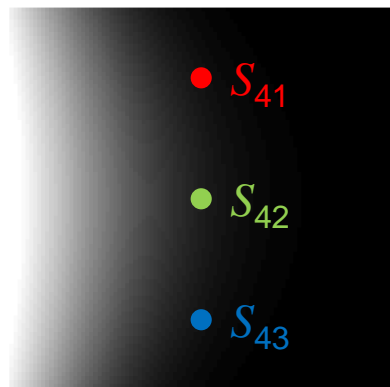


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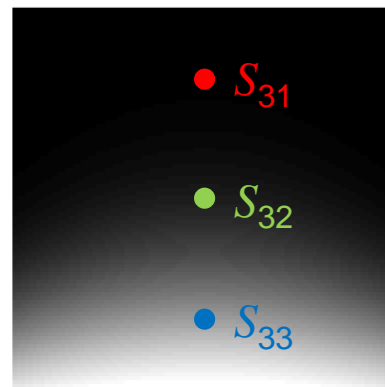
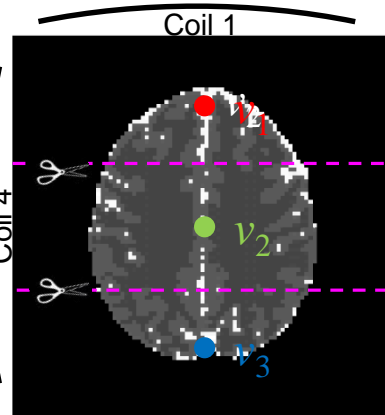
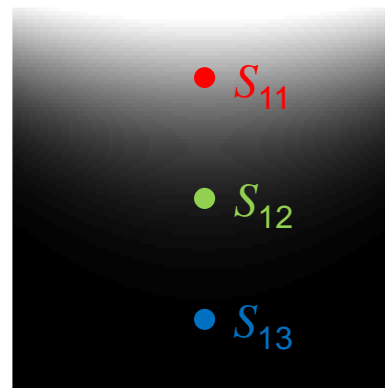
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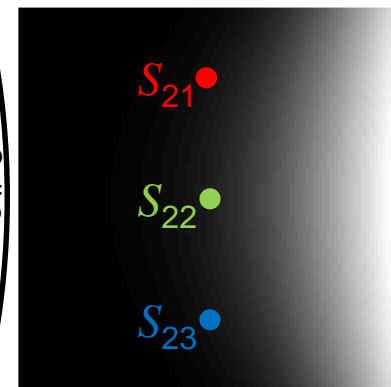
$$a_4 = S_{41}v_1 + S_{42}v_2 + S_{43}v_3$$



$$a_3 = S_{31}v_1 + S_{32}v_2 + S_{33}v_3$$



$$a_1 = S_{11}v_1 + S_{12}v_2 + S_{13}v_3$$



$$a_2 = S_{21}v_1 + S_{22}v_2 + S_{23}v_3$$

Sub Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

$$a_1 = S_{11}v_1 + S_{12}v_2 + S_{13}v_3 + \varepsilon_1$$

$$a_2 = S_{21}v_1 + S_{22}v_2 + S_{23}v_3 + \varepsilon_2$$

$$a_3 = S_{31}v_1 + S_{43}v_2 + S_{33}v_3 + \varepsilon_3$$

$$a_4 = S_{41}v_1 + S_{42}v_2 + S_{43}v_3 + \varepsilon_4$$

$$a = Sv + \varepsilon$$

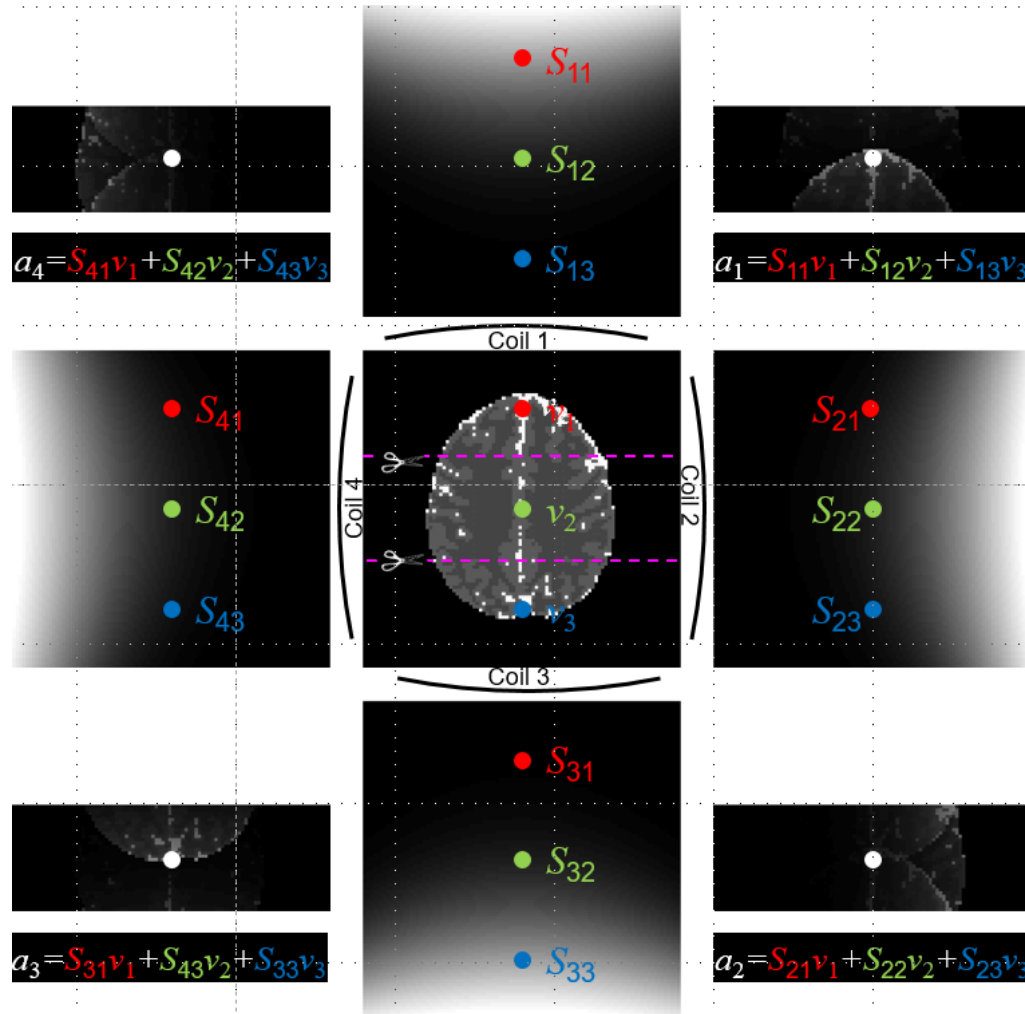
a observed aliased

S and v unobserved

Ad-hoc estimate of S , then

$$\hat{v} = \underbrace{(S'S)^{-1}}_{\text{not generally pos def}} S'a$$

The goal is to get images fast!



Bayesian Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

Latent variable model similar to Bayesian factor analysis, but
...have complex-valued variables

$$a_C = S_C v_C + \varepsilon_C$$

a_C observed aliased

S_C unobserved sensitivities

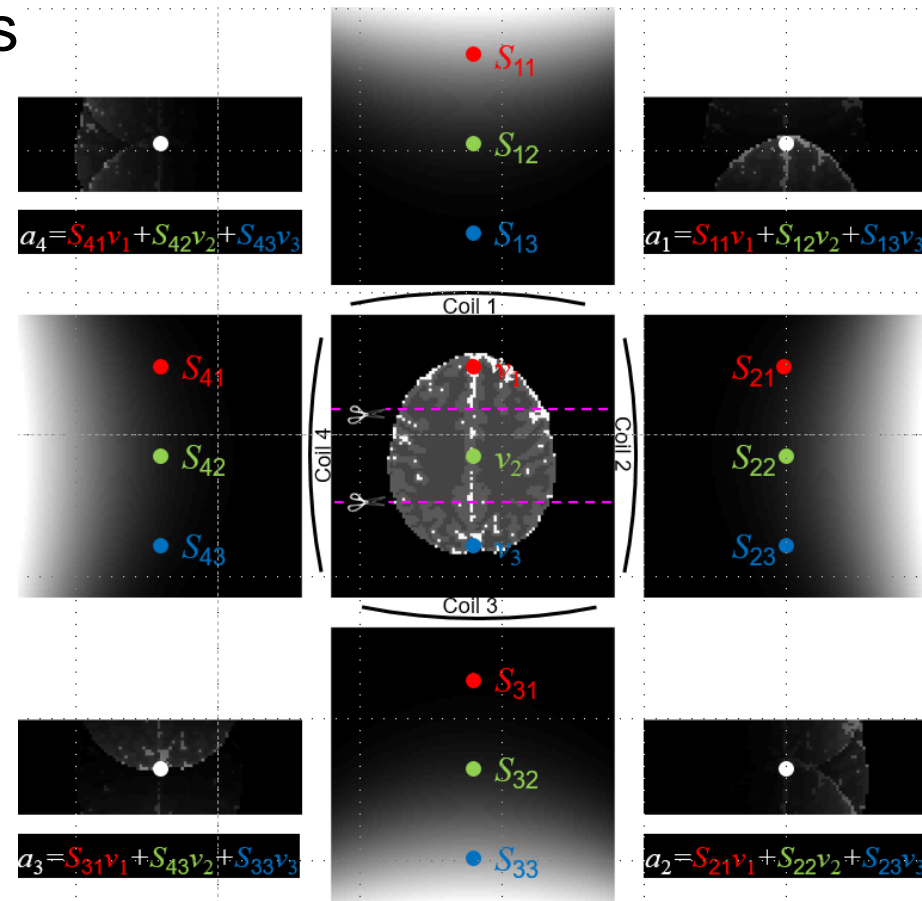
v_C unobserved voxel values

$$a_C = a_R + i a_I$$

$$S_C = S_R + i S_I$$

$$v_C = v_R + i v_I$$

$$\varepsilon_C = \varepsilon_R + i \varepsilon_I$$



Bayesian Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

Complex-valued representation

$$a_C = S_C v_C + \varepsilon_C$$

$N_c \times 1 \quad N_c \times A \quad A \times 1 \quad N_c \times 1$

Real-valued isomorphism representation

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_R \\ a_I \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} S_R & -S_I \\ S_I & S_R \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_R \\ v_I \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_R \\ \varepsilon_I \end{bmatrix}$$

$$a = S v + \varepsilon$$

$2N_c \times 1 \quad 2N_c \times 2A \quad 2A \times 1 \quad 2N_c \times 1$

$$a_C = a_R + i a_I$$

$$S_C = S_R + i S_I$$

$$v_C = v_R + i v_I$$

$$\varepsilon_C = \varepsilon_R + i \varepsilon_I$$

a observed aliases

S unobserved sensitivities

v unobserved voxel values

Bayesian Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

Isomorphism Model

$$a = \begin{matrix} 2Nc \times 1 \\ S \\ 2Nc \times 2A \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} v \\ 2A \times 1 \end{matrix} + \begin{matrix} \varepsilon \\ 2Nc \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

Likelihood

$$\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$$

$$a = \begin{bmatrix} a_R \\ a_I \end{bmatrix}_{2Nc \times 1}$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} S_R & -S_I \\ S_I & S_R \end{bmatrix}_{2Nc \times 2A}$$

$$v = \begin{bmatrix} v_R \\ v_I \end{bmatrix}_{2A \times 1}$$

$$\varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_R \\ \varepsilon_I \end{bmatrix}_{2Nc \times 1}$$

$$p(a | S, v, \sigma^2) \propto (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{2Nc}{2}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (a - Sv)'(a - Sv) \right]$$

a observed aliased

S unobserved sensitivities

v unobserved voxel values

Bayesian Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

Isomorphism Model

$$a = \begin{matrix} 2Nc \times 1 \\ S \\ 2Nc \times 2A \\ v \\ 2A \times 1 \\ + \\ \varepsilon \\ 2Nc \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$a = \begin{matrix} a_R \\ a_I \end{matrix}_{2Nc \times 1}$$

$$S = \begin{matrix} S_R & -S_I \\ S_I & S_R \end{matrix}_{2Nc \times 2A}$$

$$v = \begin{matrix} v_R \\ v_I \end{matrix}_{2A \times 1}$$

$$\varepsilon = \begin{matrix} \varepsilon_R \\ \varepsilon_I \end{matrix}_{2Nc \times 1}$$

Priors

$$p(S | \sigma^2) \propto (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{2NcA}{2}} \exp \left[-\frac{g_s}{2\sigma^2} \text{tr}(S - S_0)'(S - S_0) \right]$$

$$p(v | \sigma^2) \propto (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{2NcA}{2}} \exp \left[-\frac{g_v}{2\sigma^2} (v - v_0)'(v - v_0) \right]$$

$$p(\sigma^2) \propto (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{d}{2}-1} \exp \left[-\frac{q}{2\sigma^2} \right]$$

a observed aliased

S unobserved sensitivities

v unobserved voxel values

Bayesian Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

Isomorphism Model

$$a = \begin{matrix} 2Nc \times 1 \\ 2Nc \times 2A \\ 2A \times 1 \\ 2Nc \times 1 \end{matrix} \begin{matrix} S \\ v \\ + \varepsilon \end{matrix}$$

Posterior

$$p(S, v, \sigma^2 | a) \propto p(S | \sigma^2) p(v | \sigma^2) p(\sigma^2) p(a | S, v, \sigma^2)$$

Modes for ICM

$$\hat{S} = (g_S S_0 + a v') (g_S I + v' v)^{-1}$$

$$\hat{v} = (g_v I + S' S)^{-1} (g_v v_0 + S' a)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{[(a - S v)' (a - S v) + g_v (v - v_0)' (v - v_0) + d q + g_S \text{tr}(S - S_0)(S - S_0)]}{[2(2N_C + 2A + d + 2N_C A + 1)]}$$

Bayesian Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

Hyperparameter Assessment

$$p(S | \sigma^2): g_S, S_0$$

$$p(v | \sigma^2): g_v, v_0$$

$$p(\sigma^2): d, q$$

Measure m full data multi coil sensitivity weighted images.

Before we perform fMRI experiment. Calibration images.

m full data calibration images

Non-Task

Hyperparameter Assessment

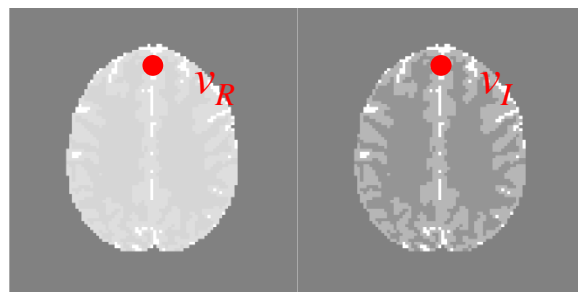
n full data experimental images

Task

For Analysis

Bayesian Reconstruction

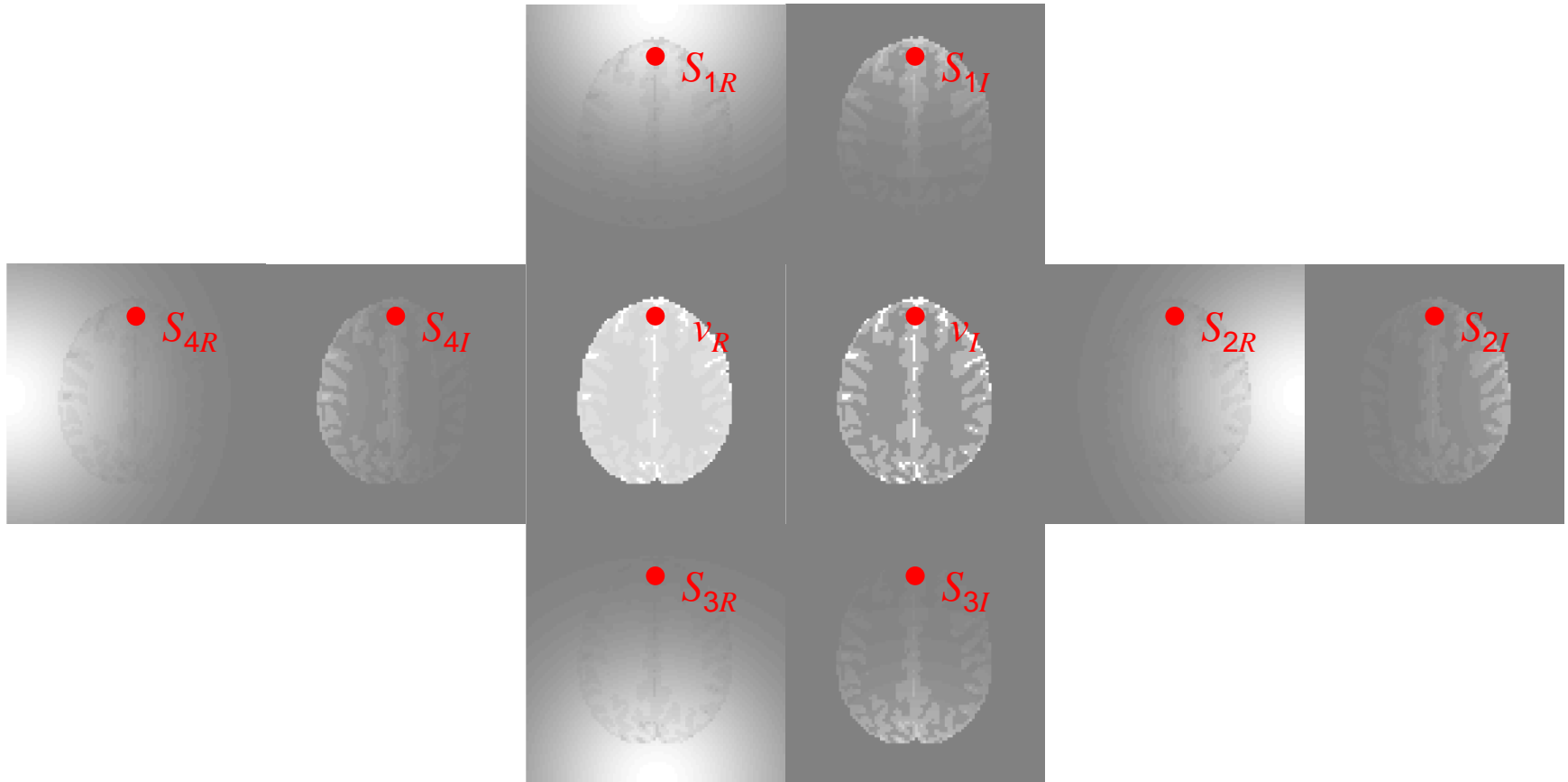
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True Slice Image

Bayesian Reconstruction

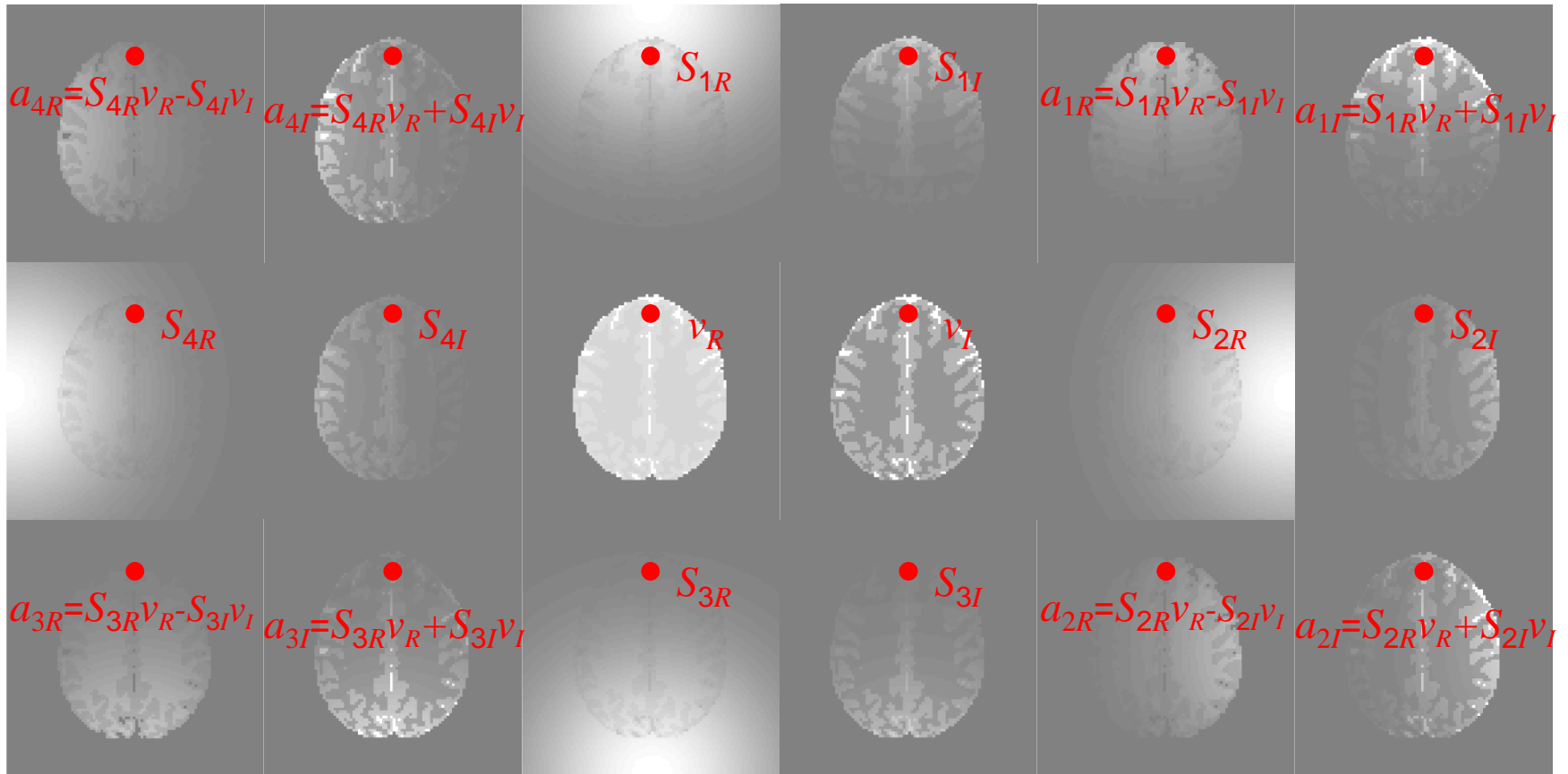
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True Slice Coil Sensitivities

Bayesian Reconstruction

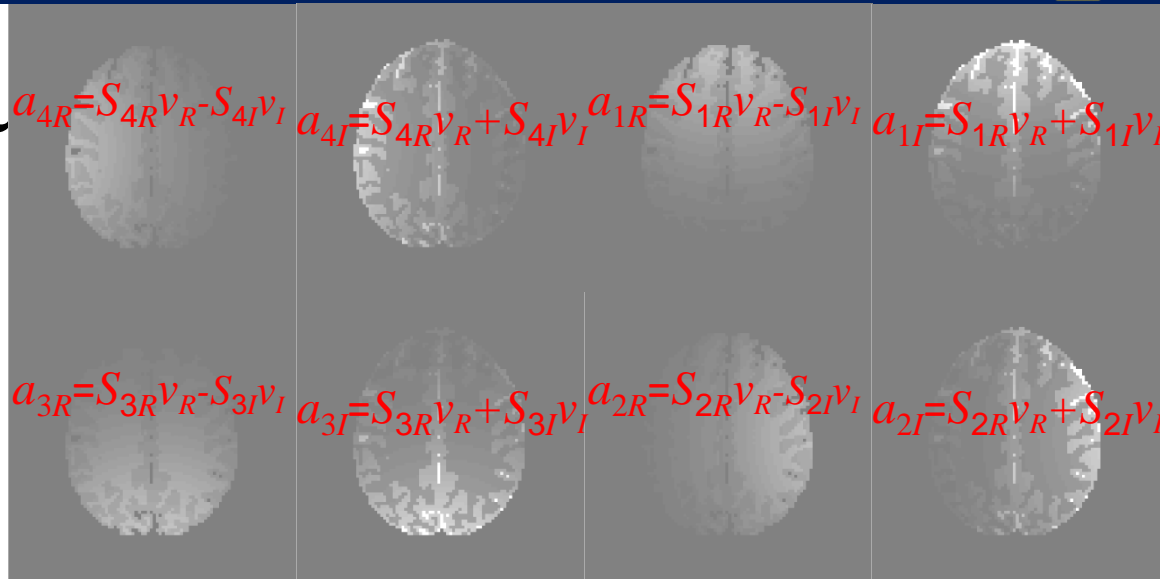
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True Slice Coil Images

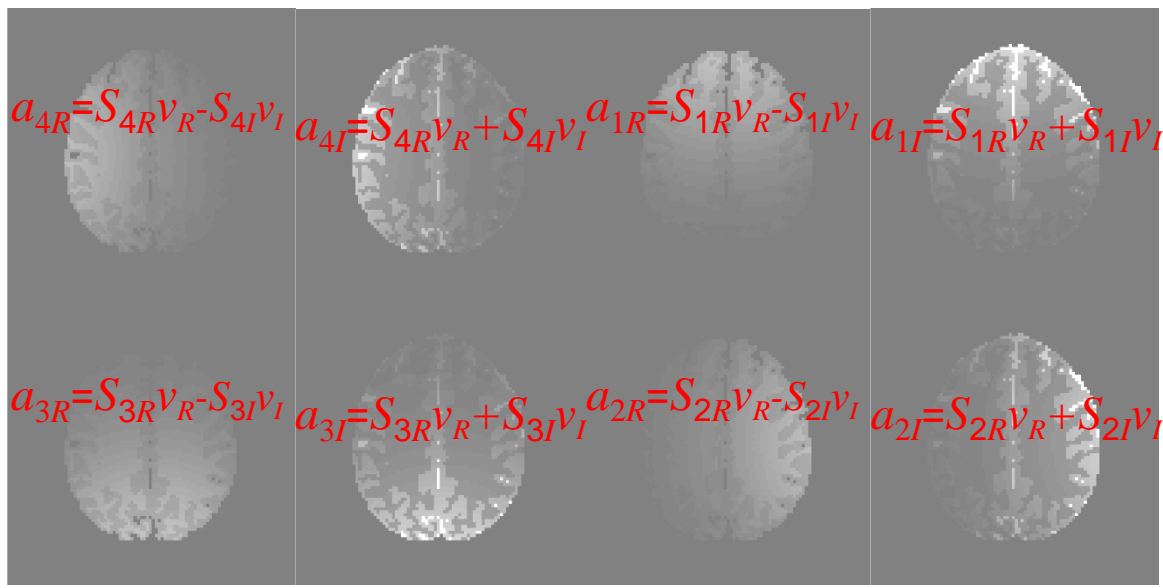
Bayesian Reconstruction

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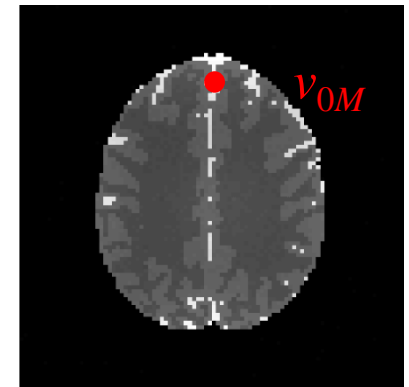
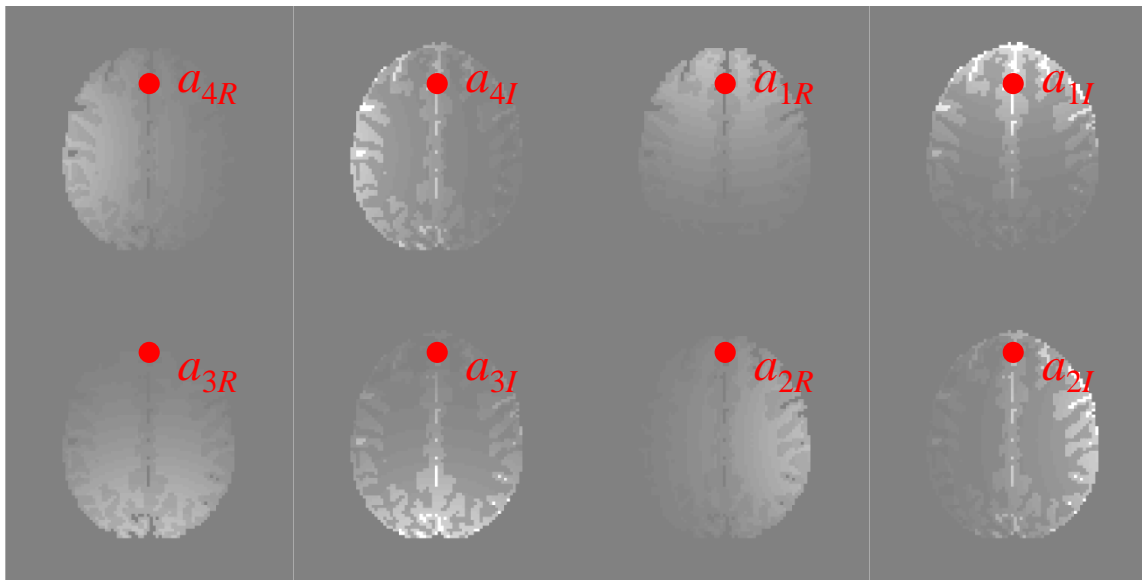
Add $N(0,1)$ noise to R and I and average

Bayesian Reconstruction

Multi-Coil SENSE

Hyperparameter Assessment

$$p(S | \sigma^2): g_S, S_0$$



RSOS for magnitude

average

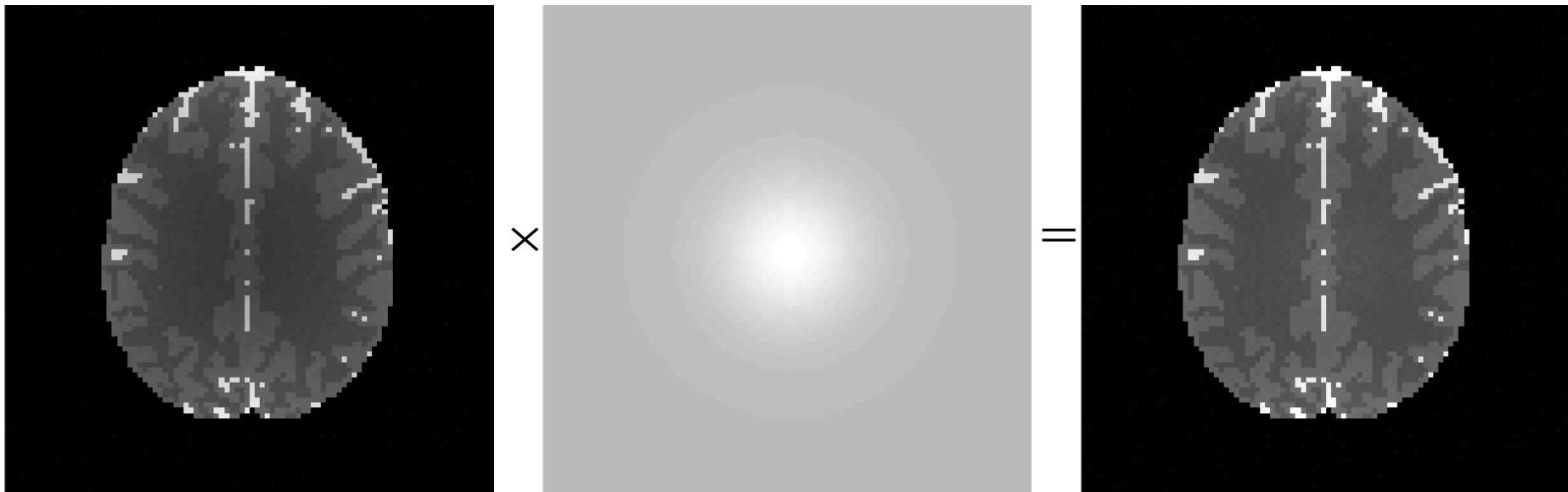
$$v_{0M} = \left[a_{R1}^2 + a_{1I}^2 + a_{2R}^2 + a_{2I}^2 + a_{3R}^2 + a_{3I}^2 + a_{4R}^2 + a_{4I}^2 \right]^{1/2}$$

Bayesian Reconstruction

Hyperparameter Assessment

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Actually weighted RSOS with scaled normal plus constant.



$$h(x, y) = 1.1 + .4 \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2n_{xy}} \left[(x - n_{xy} / 2 - 1)^2 + (-n_{xy} / 2 - 1)^2 \right] \right\}$$

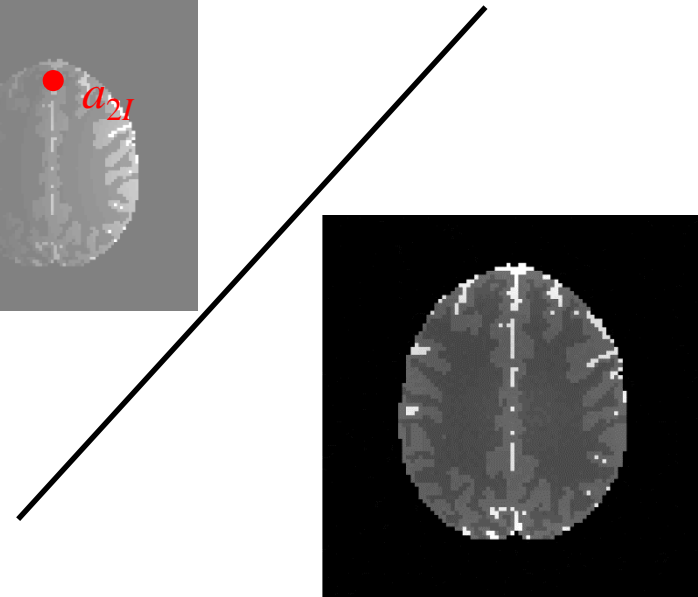
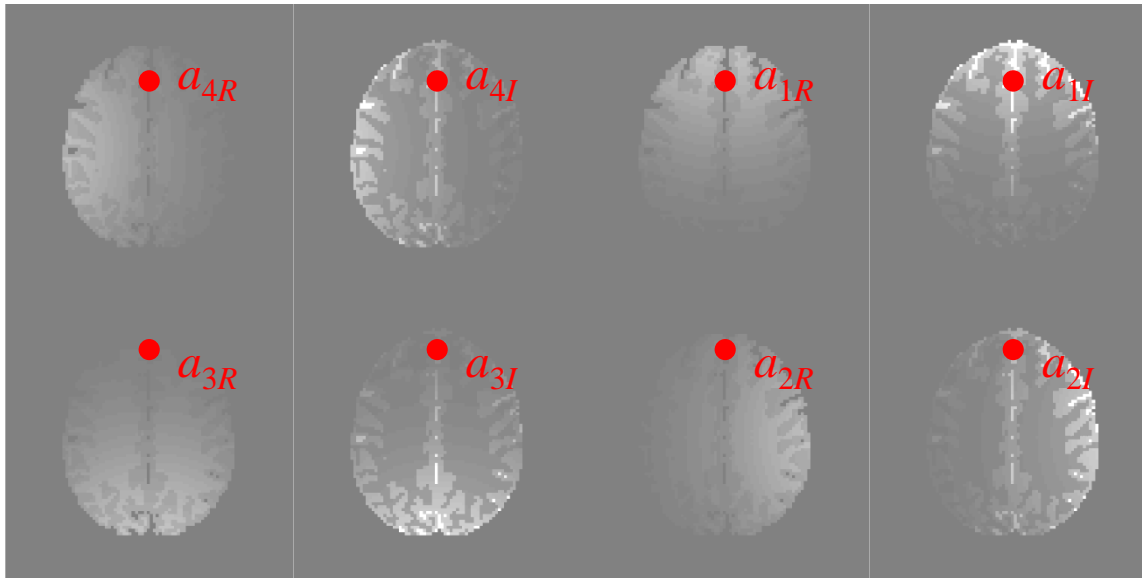
$$n_{xy} = 96$$

Bayesian Reconstruction

Hyperparameter Assessment

$$p(S | \sigma^2): g_S, S_0$$

Divide each averaged image by RSOS for Sensitivities

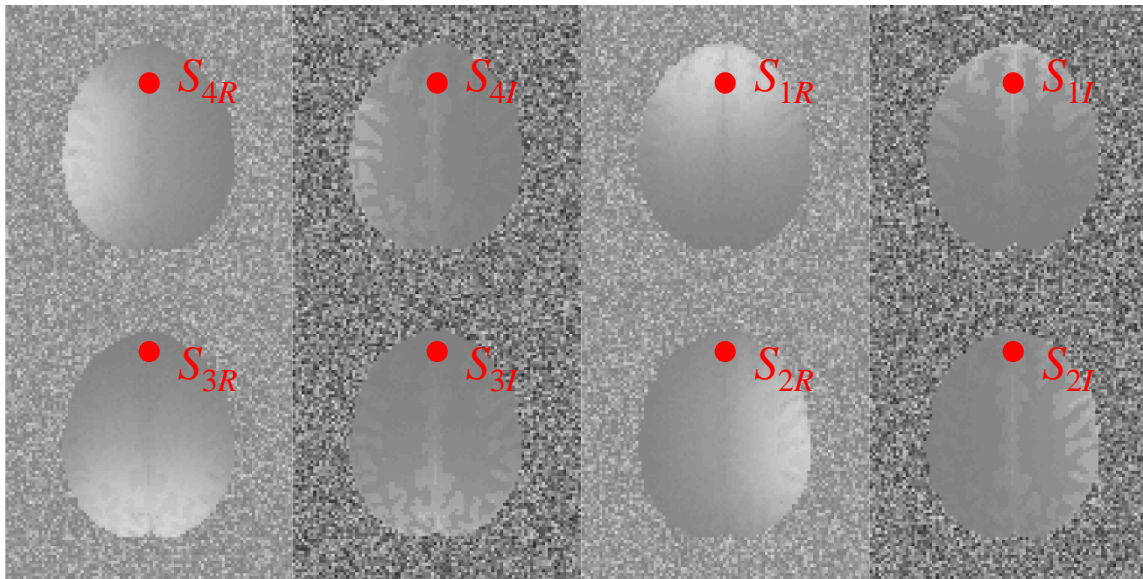


Bayesian Reconstruction

Hyperparameter Assessment

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 S_0

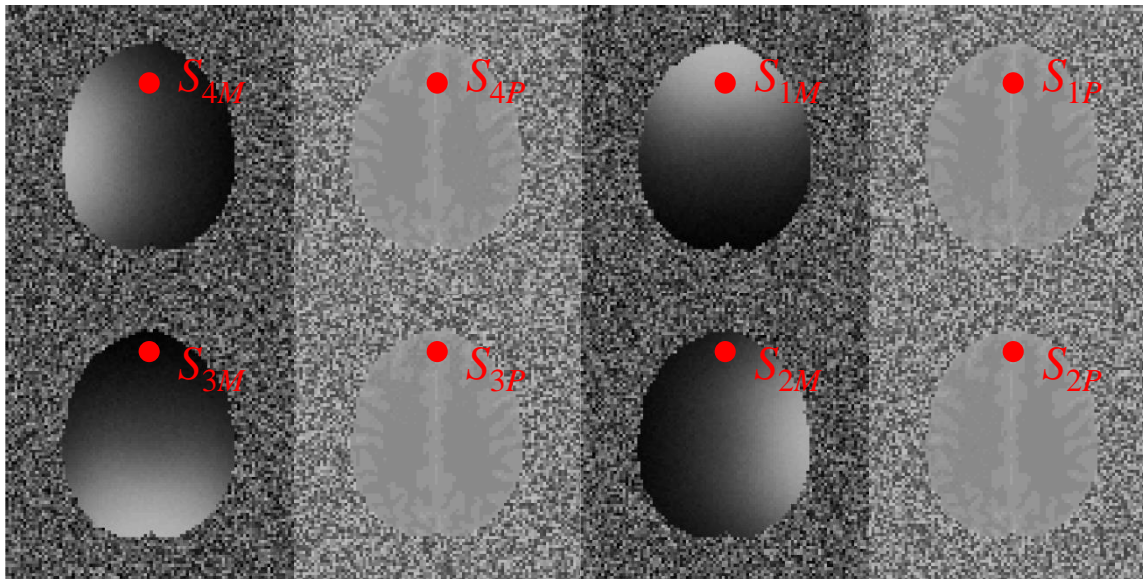
$$g_S = 0.1$$

Bayesian Reconstruction

Hyperparameter Assessment

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Divide each averaged image by RSOS for Sensitivities


 S_0

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Bayesian Reconstruction

Hyperparameter Assessment

$$p(v | \sigma^2): g_v, v_0$$

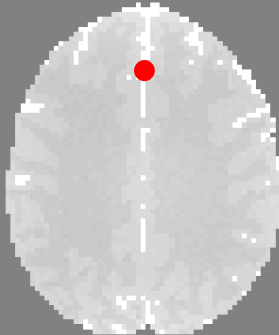
Have S_0 , assess v_0 from

$$a = \begin{matrix} S_0 & v & + & \varepsilon \\ 2Nc \times 2 & 2 \times 1 & & 2Nc \times 1 \end{matrix}$$

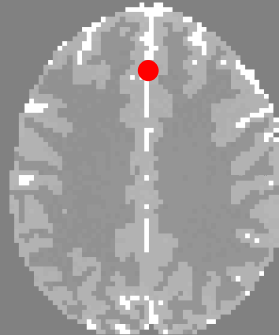
$$v_0 = (S_0' S_0)^{-1} S_0' a$$

2×1

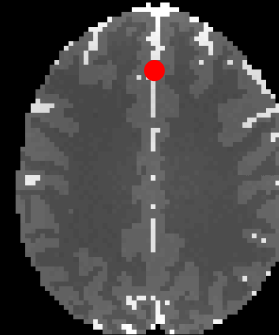
$$g_v = 0.1$$



v_{0R}



v_{0I}



v_{0M}



v_{0P}

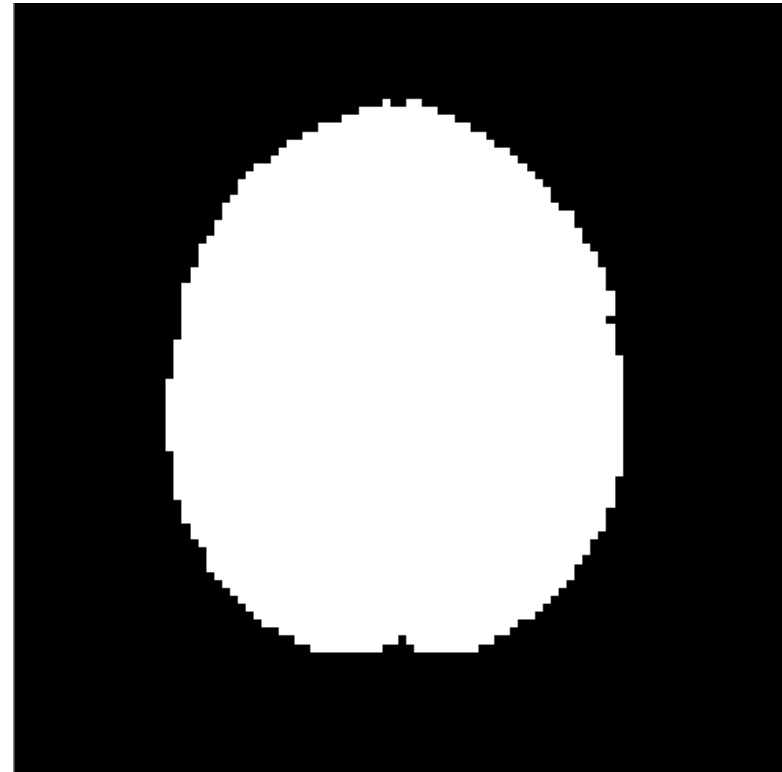
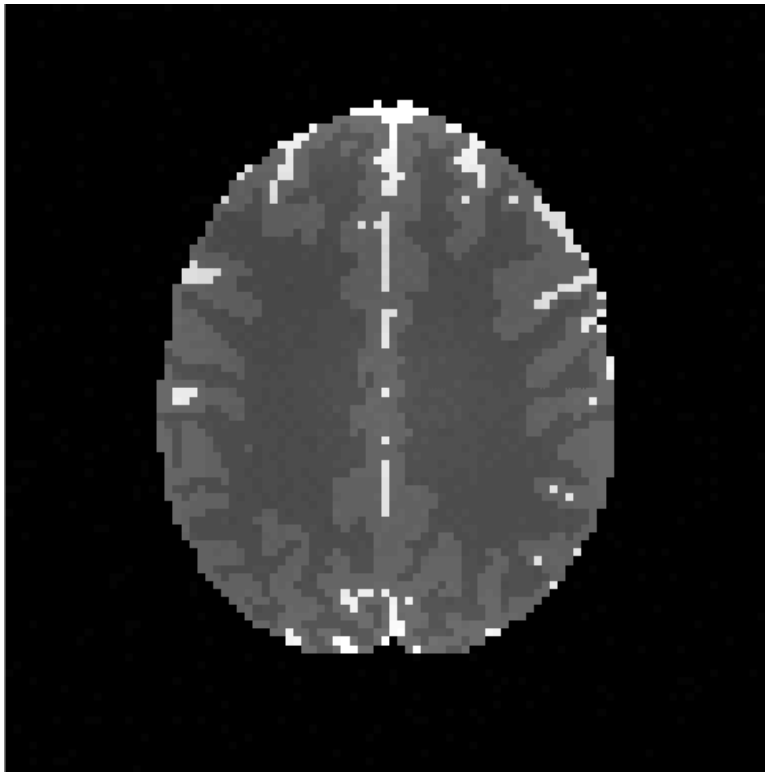
v_0

Bayesian Reconstruction

Hyperparameter Assessment

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Also generated a mask from voxels $>.1$ max RSOS.
And zeroed out voxel prior mean v_0 outside brain.

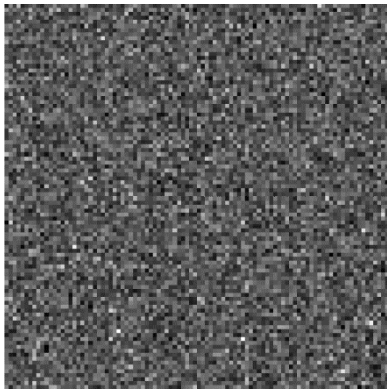


Bayesian Reconstruction

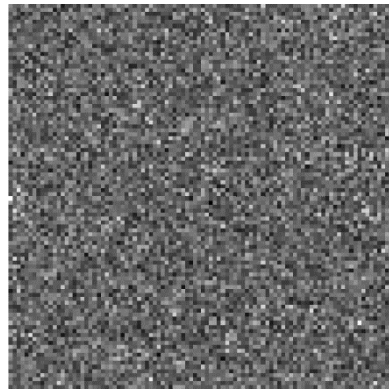
Hyperparameter Assessment

$$p(\sigma^2) : d, q$$

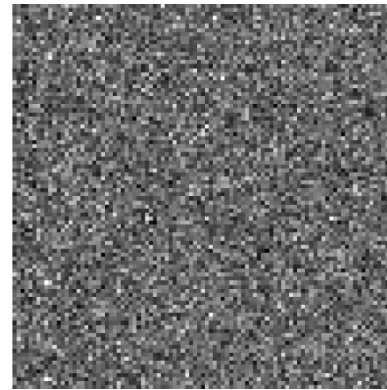
Calculated the average real and imaginary voxel sample variances from the calibration images



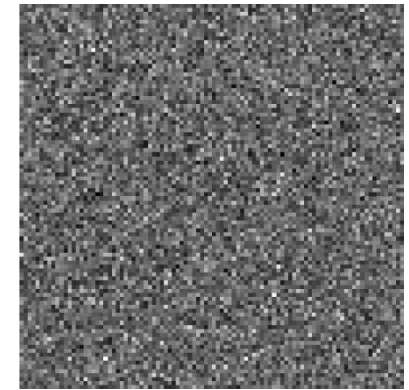
Coil 1



Coil 2



Coil 3



Coil 4

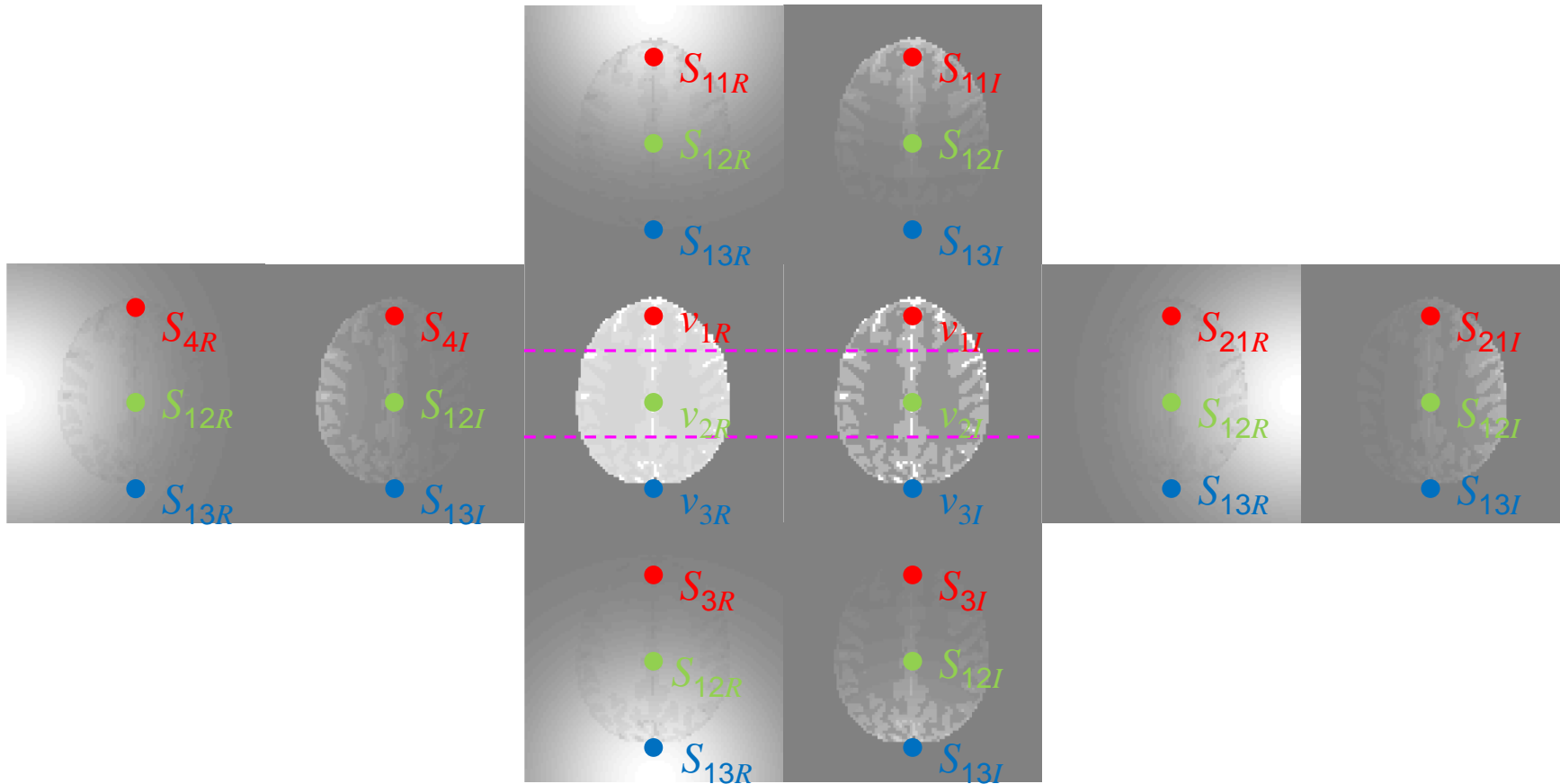
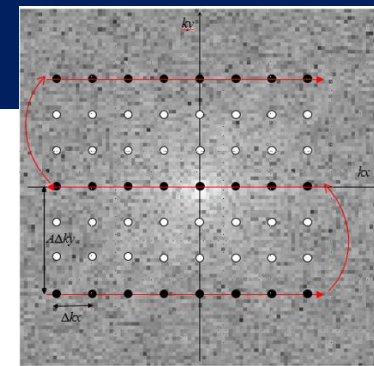
and averaged to obtain single s_v^2 .

Assessed a prior df $d=10$, then $q = 2ds_v^2$.

$$q = 20.01$$

Bayesian Reconstruction

n sub sampled data fMRI images

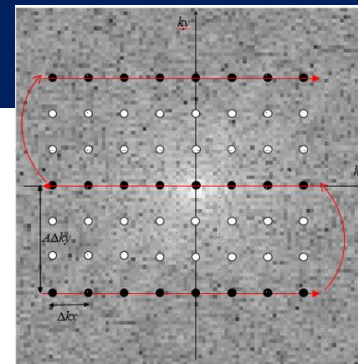


$N_C=4, A=3$

True Slice Coil Images

Bayesian Reconstruction

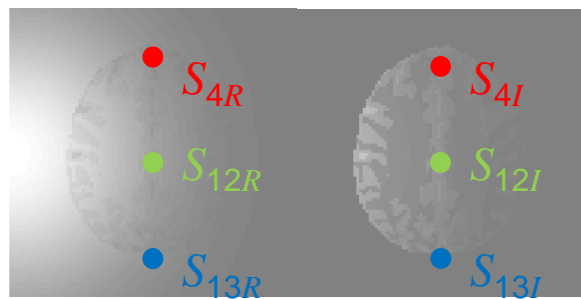
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$$a_{4R} = S_{41R}v_{1R} + S_{42R}v_{2R} + S_{43R}v_{3R} - S_{41I}v_{1I} - S_{42I}v_{2I} - S_{43I}v_{3I}$$



$$a_{4I} = S_{41I}v_{1R} + S_{42I}v_{2R} + S_{43I}v_{3R} + S_{41R}v_{1I} + S_{42R}v_{2I} + S_{43R}v_{3I}$$



$$a_{3R} = S_{31R}v_{1R} + S_{32R}v_{2R} + S_{33R}v_{3R} - S_{31I}v_{1I} - S_{32I}v_{2I} - S_{33I}v_{3I}$$



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S_{11R}

S_{12R}

S_{13R}

v_{1R}

v_{2R}

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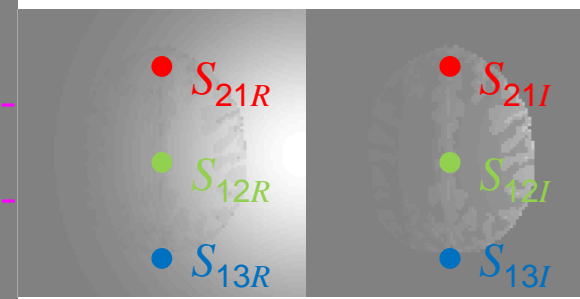
S_{12I}

S_{13I}

$$a_{1R} = S_{11R}v_{1R} + S_{12R}v_{2R} + S_{13R}v_{3R} - S_{11I}v_{1I} - S_{12I}v_{2I} - S_{13I}v_{3I}$$



$$a_{1I} = S_{11I}v_{1R} + S_{12I}v_{2R} + S_{13I}v_{3R} + S_{11R}v_{1I} + S_{12R}v_{2I} + S_{13R}v_{3I}$$



$$a_{2R} = S_{21R}v_{1R} + S_{22R}v_{2R} + S_{23R}v_{3R} - S_{21I}v_{1I} - S_{22I}v_{2I} - S_{23I}v_{3I}$$



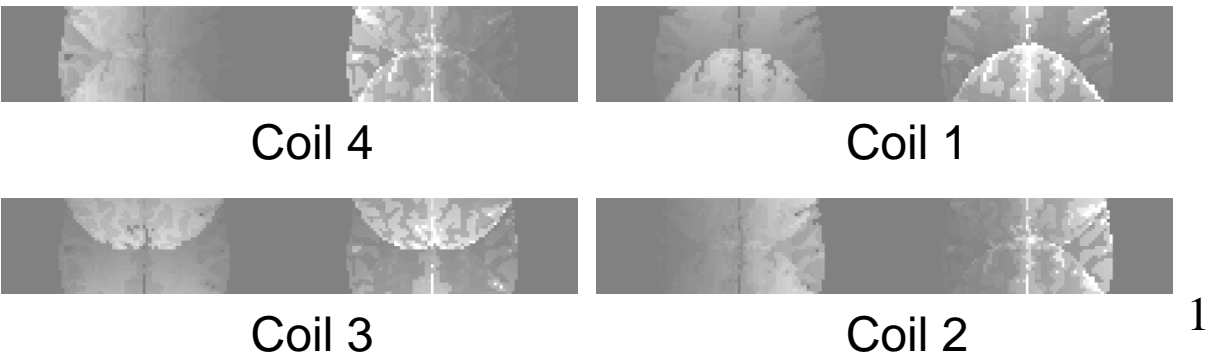
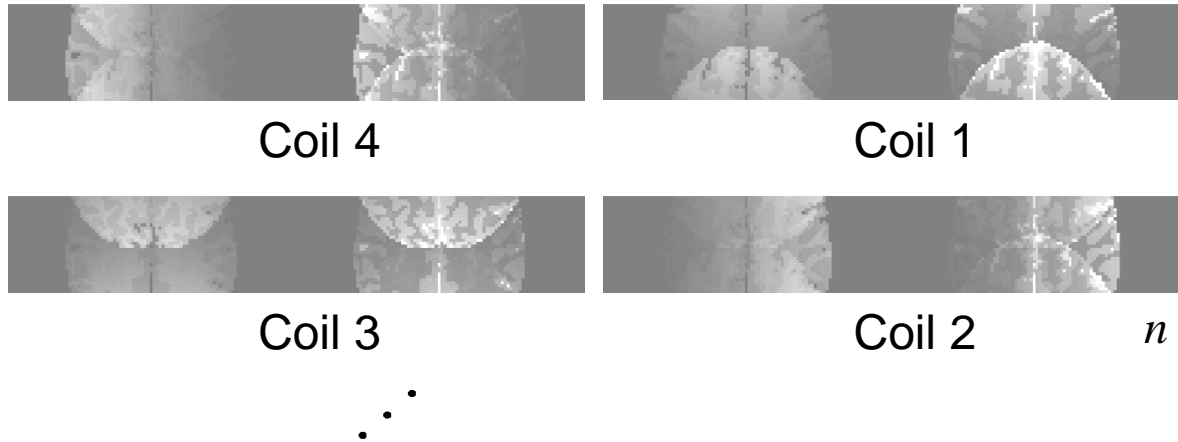
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Add $N(0,1)$ noise to R and I .

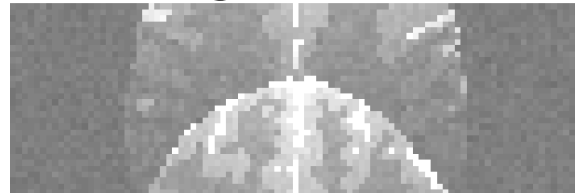
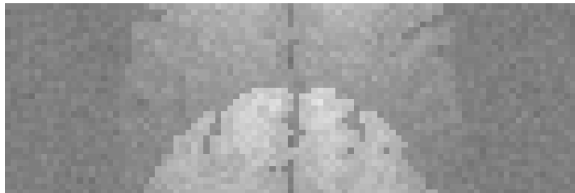
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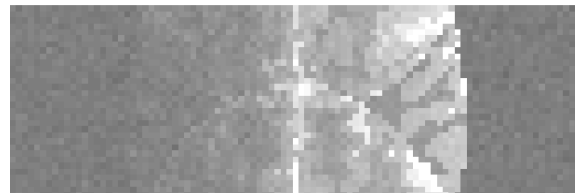
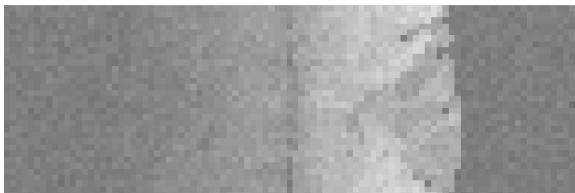
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Observed aliased slice coil images

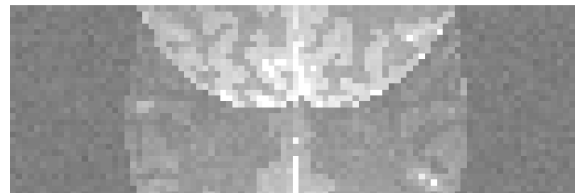
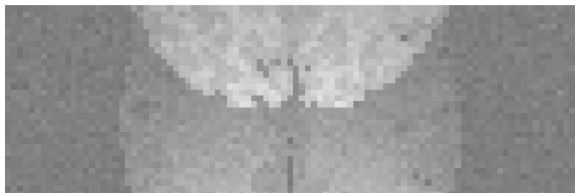
Coil 1



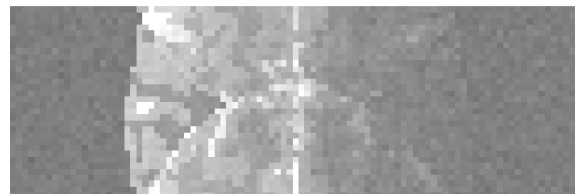
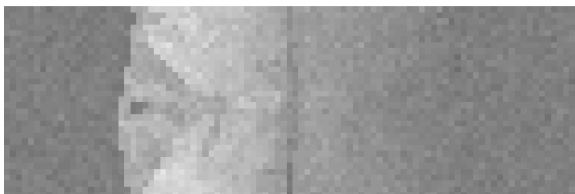
Coil 2



Coil 3



Coil 4



$N_C=4, A=3$

Real

Imaginary

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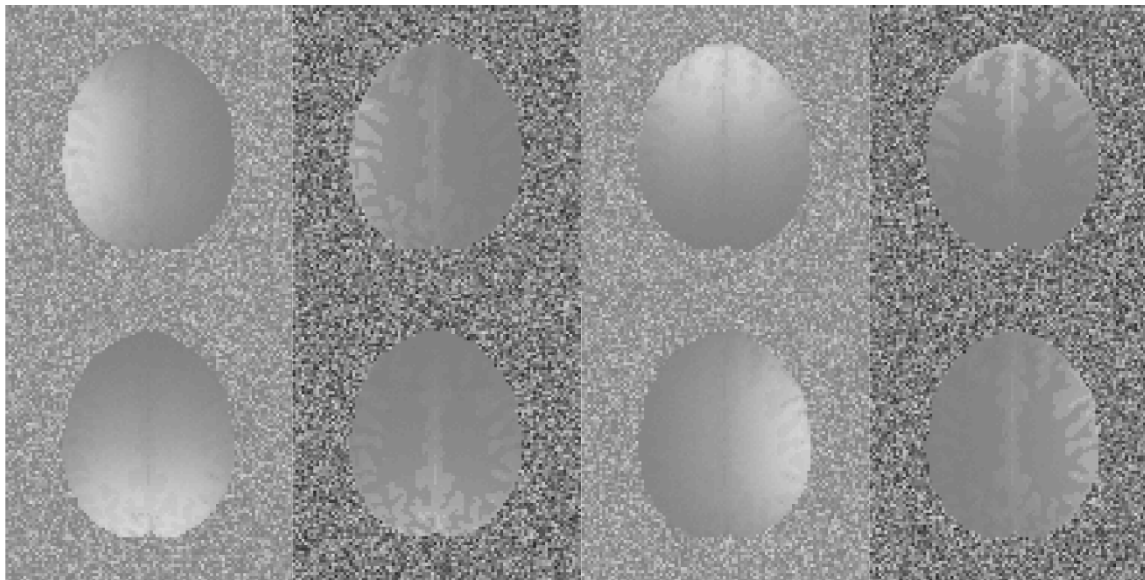
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Prior Hyperparameters

$$p(S | \sigma^2): g_s, S_0$$

$$p(v | \sigma^2): g_v, v_0$$

$$p(\sigma^2): d, q$$

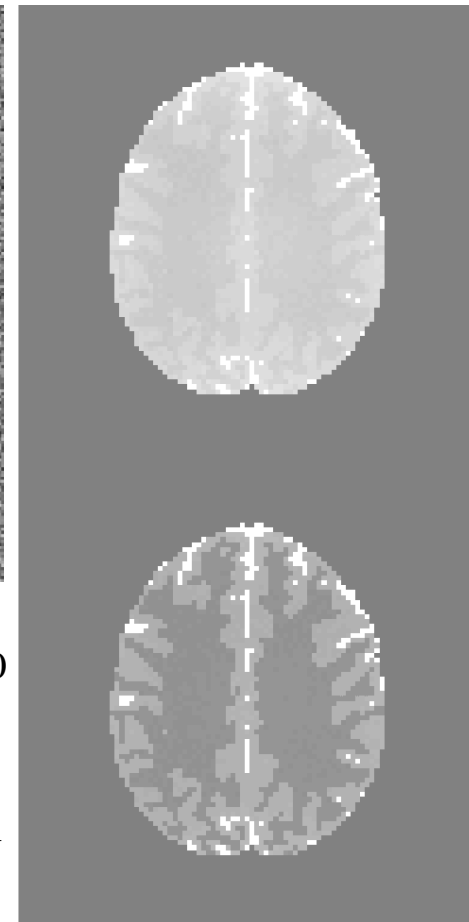

 S_0

$$g_s = 0.1$$

$$N_C=4, A=3$$

 v_0

$$g_v = 0.1$$



$$d=10$$

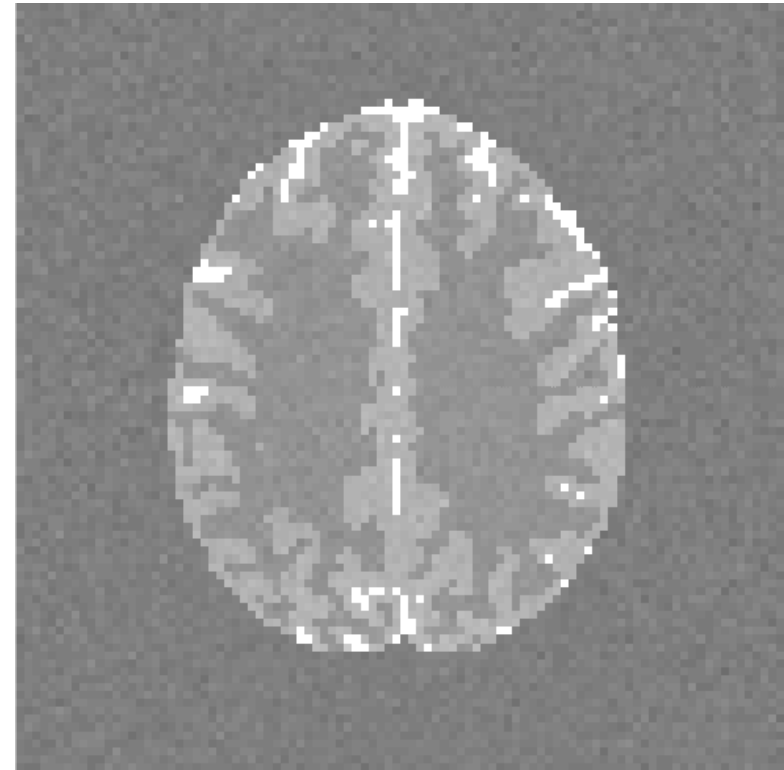
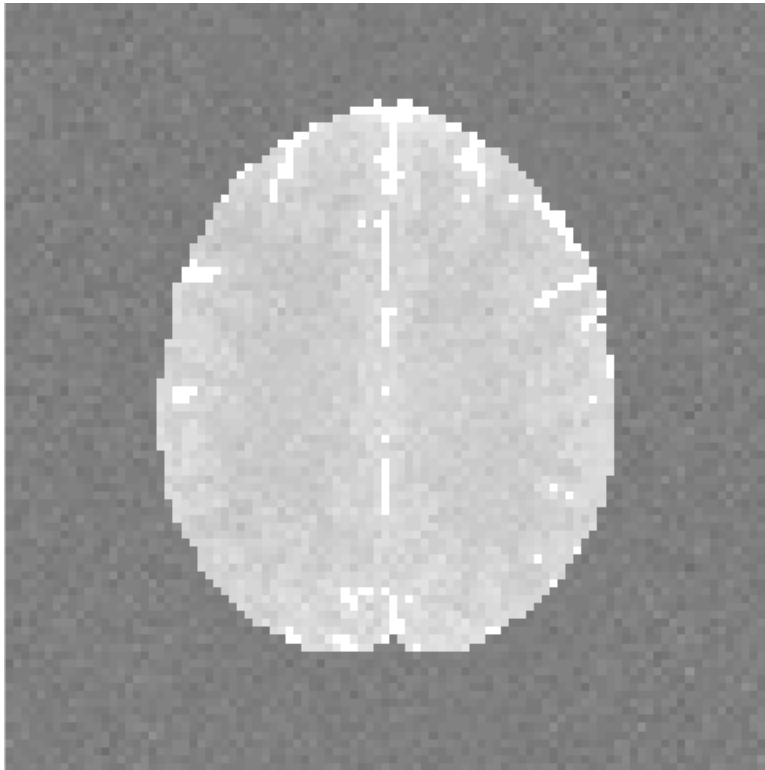
$$q = 2ds_v^2$$

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Unaliased (Estimated) MAP Image (Parameters).

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Real

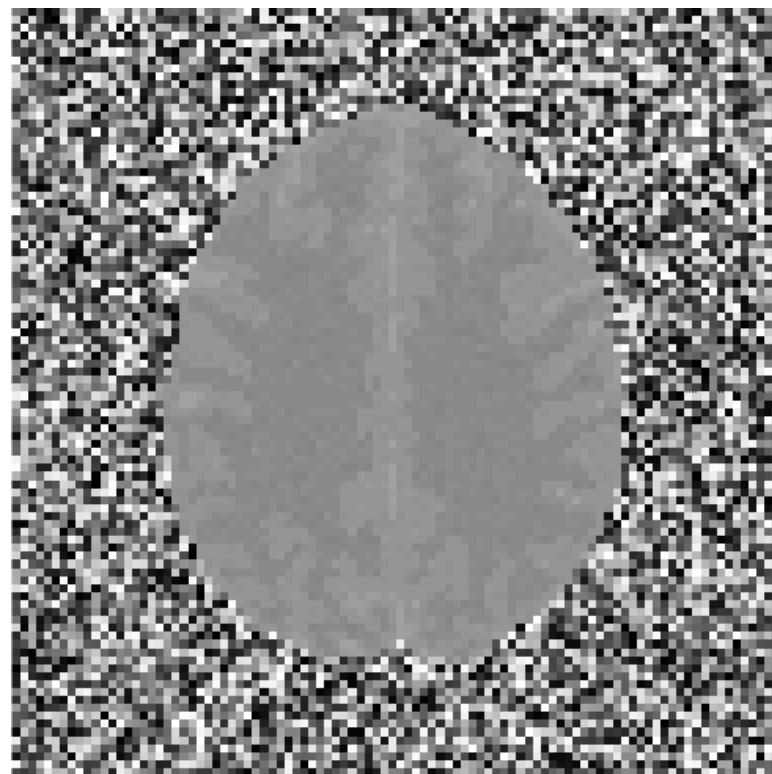
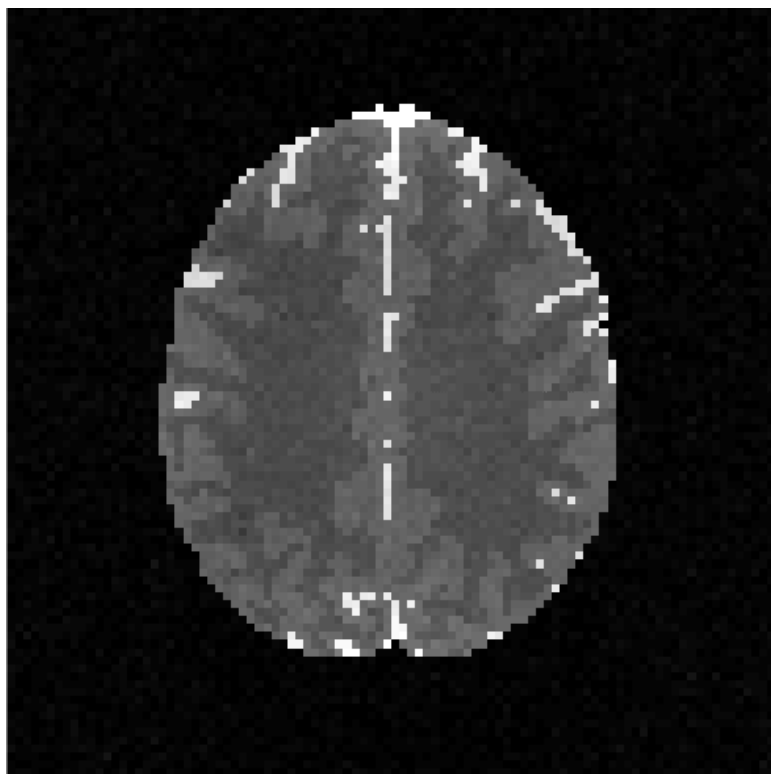
Imaginary

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Magnitude

Phase

Discussion

Voxel values are not measured by the machine.

It is important to obtain data in raw measured form.

Subsampled data reconstruction a statistical problem.

This area is still the wild west with many opportunities.

Lots of competition in statistical modeling after reconstructed into images. Freely downloadable data.

Thank You!

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