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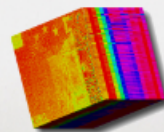
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Thank you ...

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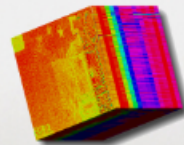
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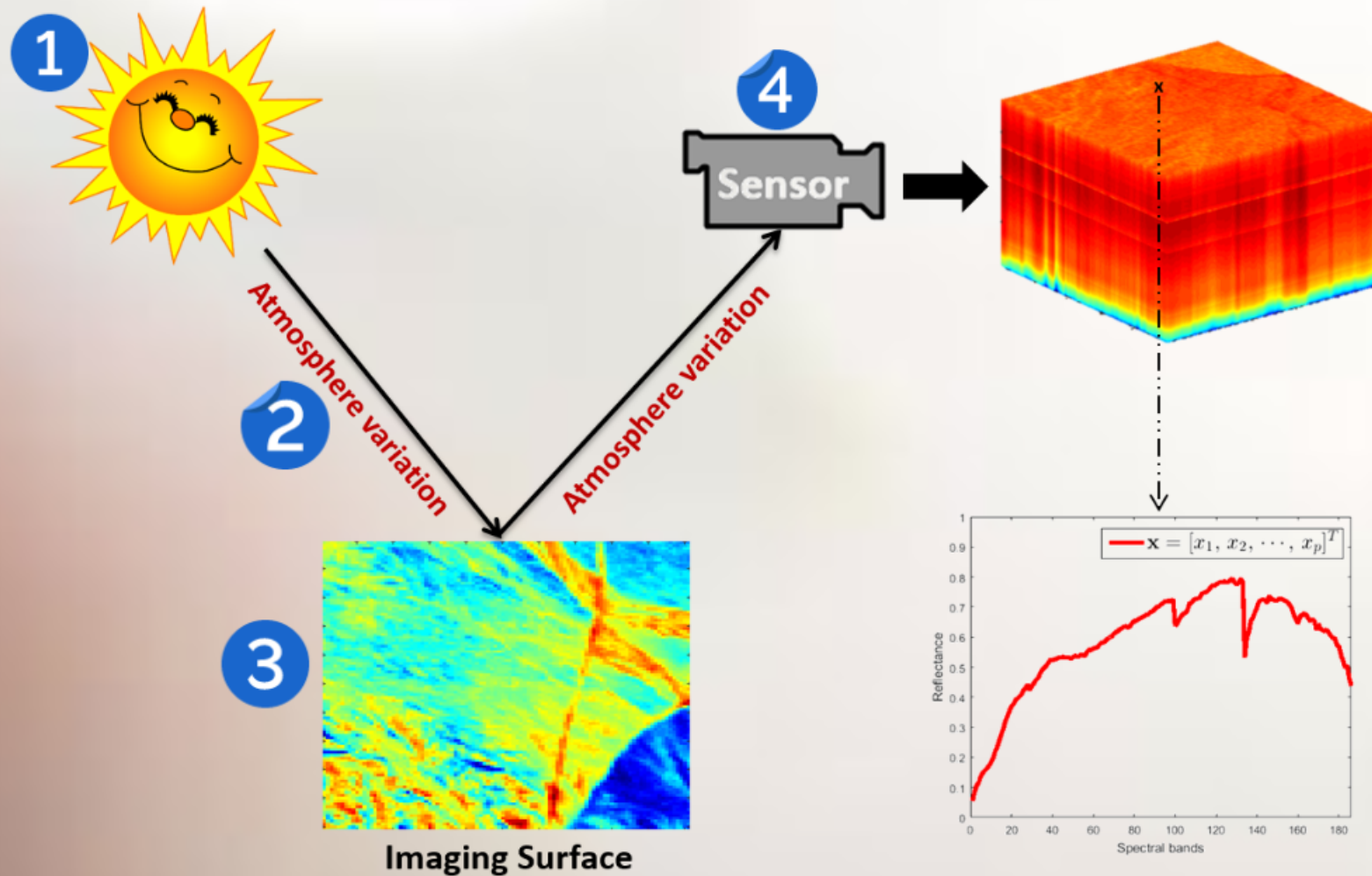
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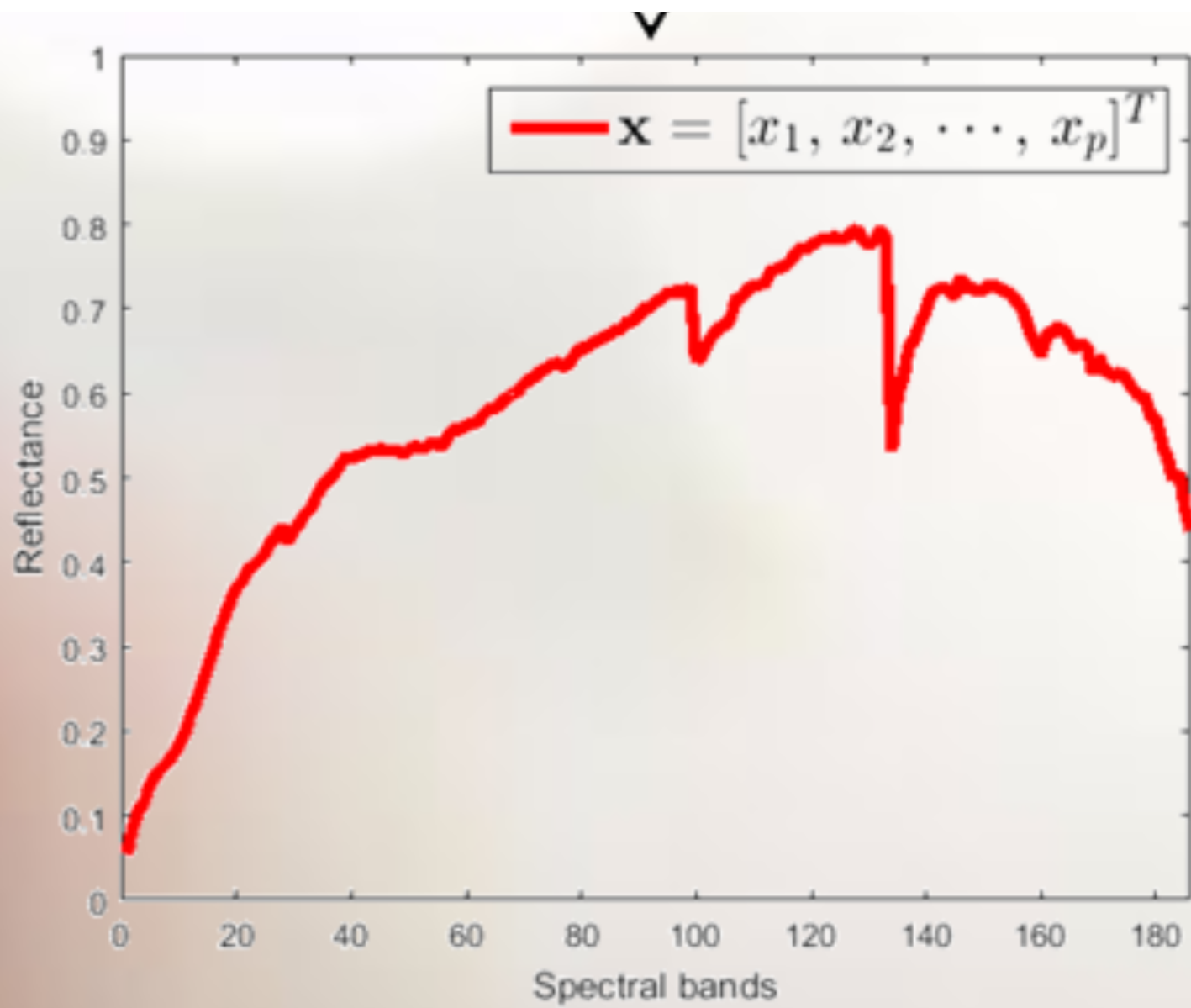
# ***Introduction to Hyperspectral Target Detection***



# Hyperspectral (passive) Remote Sensing System :

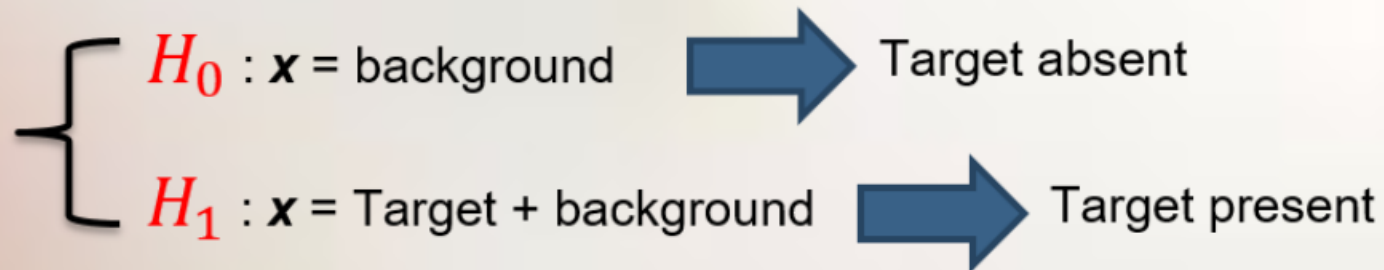






# *Hyperspectral Target Detection: concept and applications (1/3)*

Target detection is one of the most important applications in hyperspectral imagery



# *Hyperspectral Target Detection: concept and applications (2/3)*

Replacement signal model :

$$\mathbf{x} = \alpha \mathbf{t} + (1 - \alpha) \mathbf{b}$$

$$0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$$

$\mathbf{t}$  : target spectrum

$\mathbf{b}$  : background spectrum

# *Hyperspectral Target Detection: concept and applications (3/3)*

## Applications to target detection :

- Application to target detection when the target  $t$  is known  
for example: Matched Filter, Normalized Matched Filter, Kelly detector.
- Application to target detection when the target  $t$  is not known (anomaly detection)  
for example: Reed and Xiaoli Detector, Kelly anomaly detector.



# *Serious challenges in hyperspectral target detection (1/2)*

- [Challenge one] The dependency on the unknown covariance matrix  $\Sigma$  (of the background surrounding the test pixel), and the estimation challenges of  $\Sigma$  in large dimensions and to ensure success under different environment.

**Behave poorly in large dimensions**

\*The Sample covariance

\*Robust estimators (i.e. The Tyler estimator)



# ***Serious challenges in hyperspectral target detection (2/2)***

- **[Challenge two]** The sensor noise, atmospheric conditions, material composition, etc.

**This is  
inadequate**

The classical target detectors that depend on the target to detect  $\mathbf{t}$ , use only a single reference spectrum for the target of interest.

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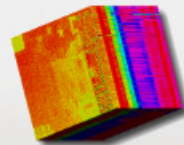
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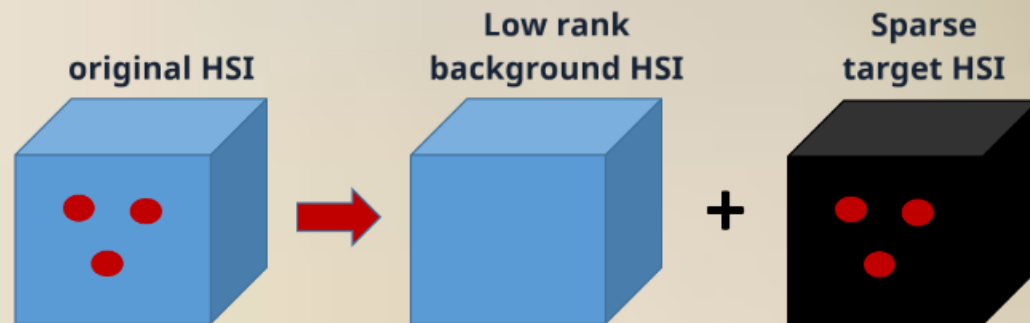


***Reason one: The targets occupy a very small part of the entire image scene***

- The **targets** are randomly distributed in the image.
- The **targets** have low probability to appear in each pixel in the entire image scene.

# So how to exploit **sparsity** ?

1. The targets are spatially sparse (few pixels in a million pixel image).
2. The background has a low rank property.



our novelty against state of the art  
[Shih-Yu Chen] [Yubin Niu] [Yuxiang Zhang]

- The objects to separate from the background are proven to be the true targets!
- The sparse target HSI is directly used for detection.



# ***General Background (1/4)***

Suppose a data matrix **D** can be decomposed as:

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{L}_0 + \mathbf{E}_0$$

The diagram shows the equation  $\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{L}_0 + \mathbf{E}_0$ . Below the term  $\mathbf{L}_0$ , there is a red arrow pointing downwards to the text "low rank". Similarly, below the term  $\mathbf{E}_0$ , there is a red arrow pointing downwards to the text "sparse".

**How can both the low rank and sparse components be recovered accurately ??**



# General Background (2/4)

The Robust Principal Component Analysis (RPCA) :

$$\min_{\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{E}} \left\{ \text{rank}(\mathbf{L}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{E}\|_l \right\} \quad s.t. \quad \mathbf{D} = \mathbf{L} + \mathbf{E},$$

NP-HARD to solve

$\lambda > 0$  is a regularization parameter

$\|\mathbf{E}\|_l$  indicates certain sparse regularization strategy:  $\{\|\cdot\|_0, \|\cdot\|_{0,2}, \|\cdot\|_{2,0}\}$

convex surrogation

$$\text{rank}(\cdot) \rightarrow \|\cdot\|_*$$

$$\{\|\cdot\|_0, \|\cdot\|_{0,2}, \|\cdot\|_{2,0}\} \rightarrow \{\|\cdot\|_1, \|\cdot\|_{1,2}, \|\cdot\|_{2,1}\}$$

# General Background (3/4)

Success of RPCA in some applications: **Face recognition** and **video surveillance**

- RPCA for face recognition (the matrix **L** is the object of interest)

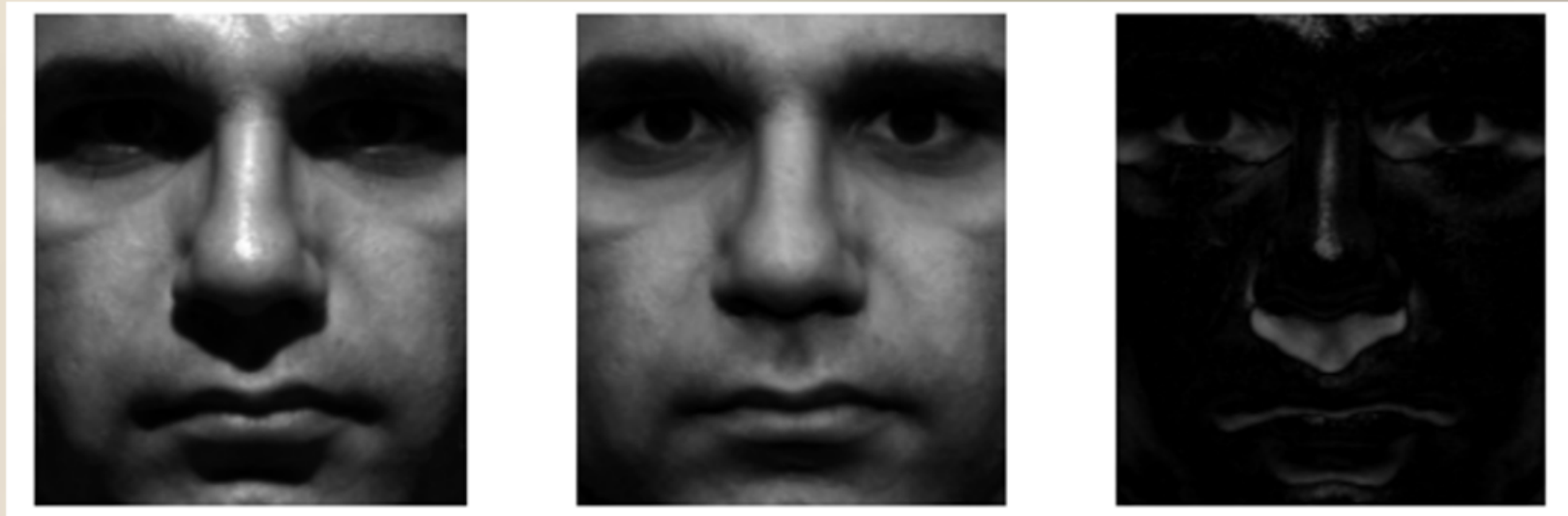
$$D = L + E$$



Removing shadows, specularities, and saturations from a face

This example is taken from **[Candes et al.]**

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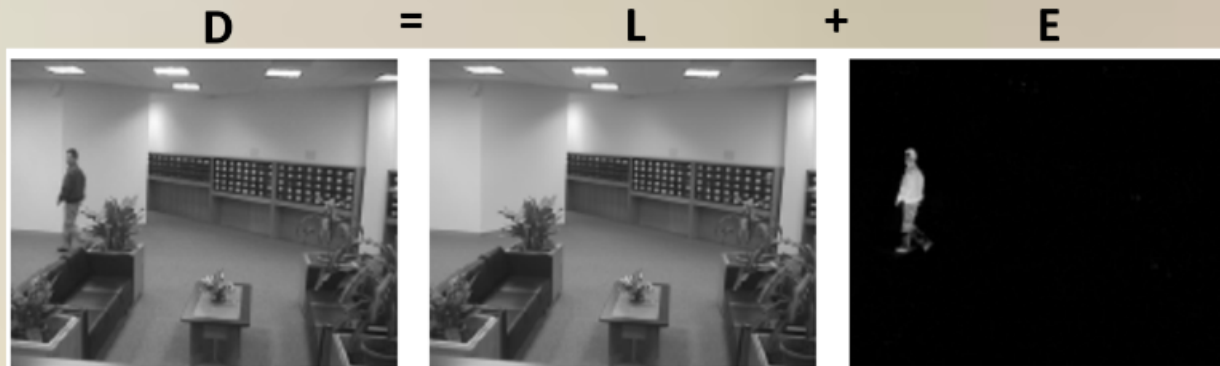
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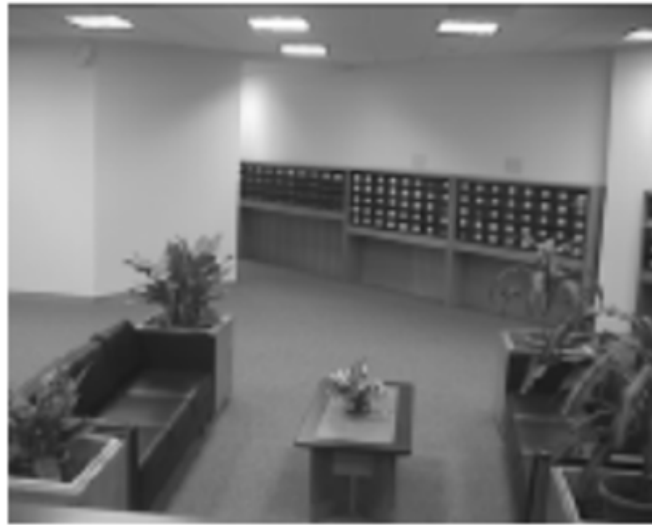
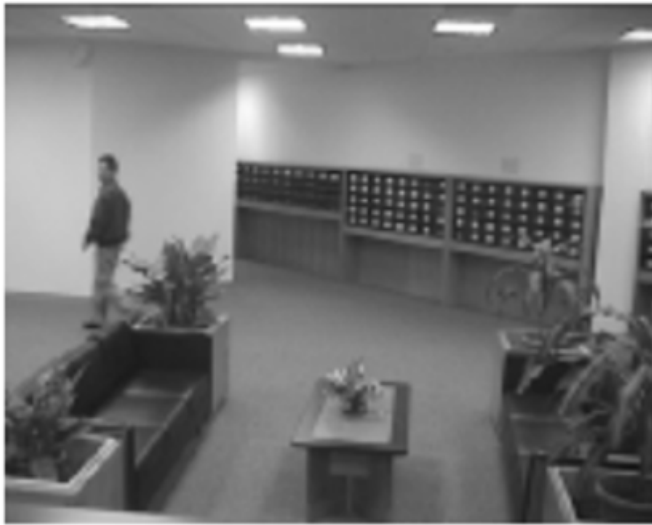
- RPCA for video surveillance (the matrix **E** is the object of interest)



Detecting the moving objects from a static background

This example is taken from **[Candes et al.]**

**D = L + E**



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# ***Our study on testing the RPCA for Hyperspectral Target Detection (1/5)***

**How is RPCA exploited for Hyperspectral imagery?**

So how to define both  $\mathbf{L}_0$  and  $\mathbf{E}_0$  ?

- The total image area of all the target(s) should be small relative to the whole image (spatially sparse).

  $\mathbf{E}_0$

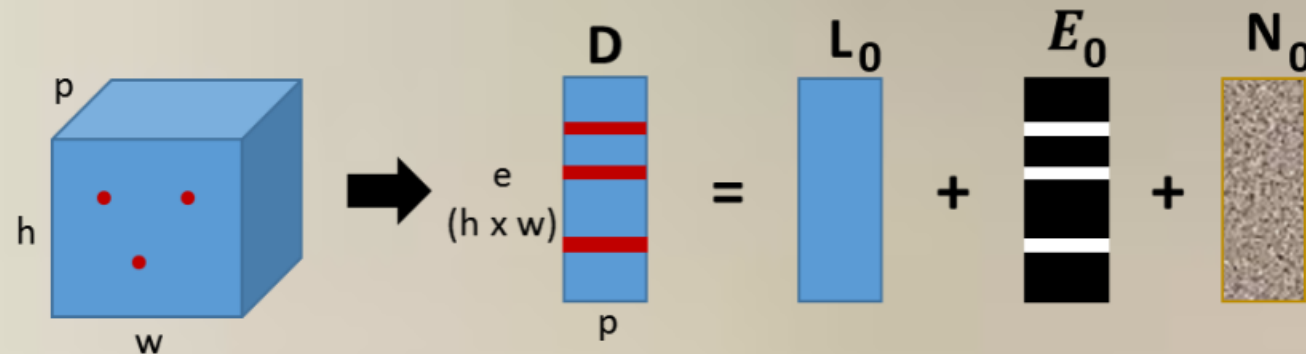
- The background is not too heavily cluttered with many different materials with multiple spectra: The background has a low rank property .

  $\mathbf{L}_0$



# Our study on testing the RPCA for Hyperspectral Target Detection (2/5)

How is RPCA exploited for Hyperspectral imagery?



We aim to minimize the following problem:

$$\min_{\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{E}} \left\{ \tau \text{rank}(\mathbf{L}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{E}\|_{0,2} + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{L} - \mathbf{E}\|_F^2 \right\}, \quad \text{NP-HARD}$$

$$\downarrow$$

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# ***Our study on testing the RPCA for Hyperspectral Target Detection (3/5)***

Is the direct use of RPCA adequate to distinguishing the targets?

**NO**



In contrast to what have been proved in state of the art

[Yuxiang Zhang ~~Shih-Yu Chen~~]

**Our findings:**

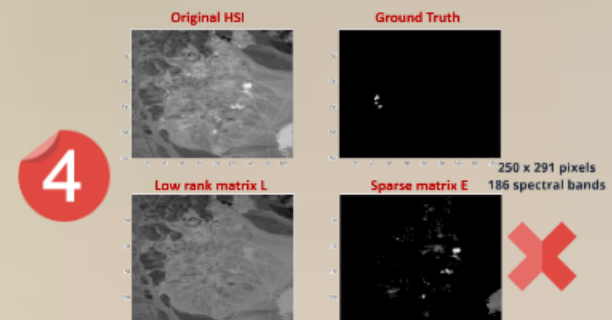
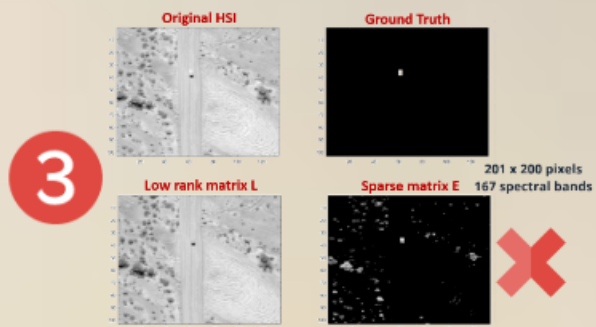
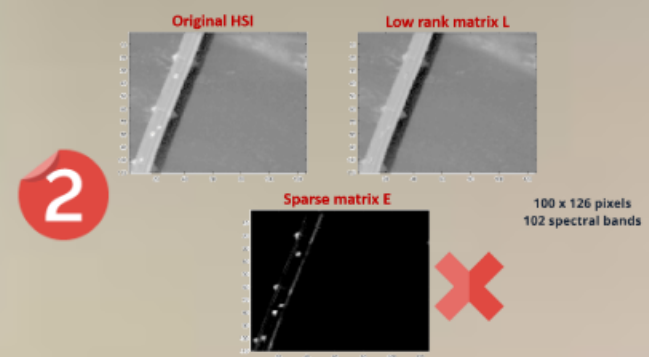
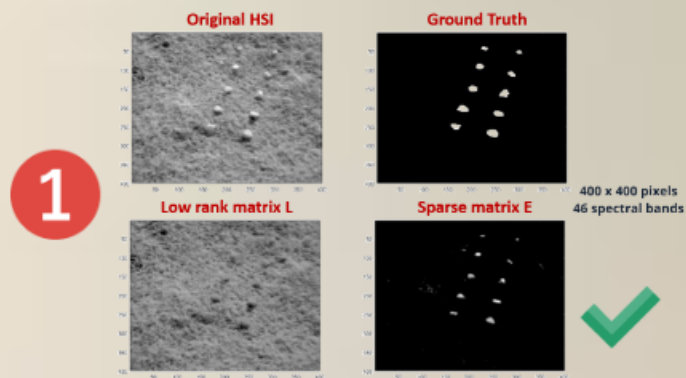


The RPCA only searches for small heterogeneous and high contrast objects. RPCA is not adequate to distinguishing the targets ...

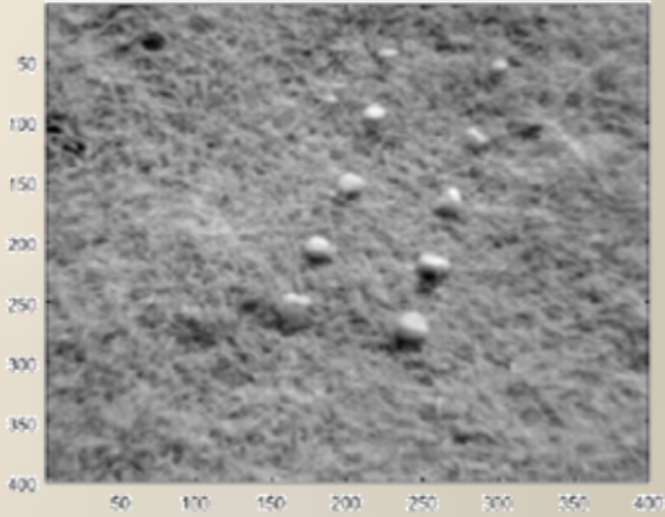
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**Let us prove what  
we have found**

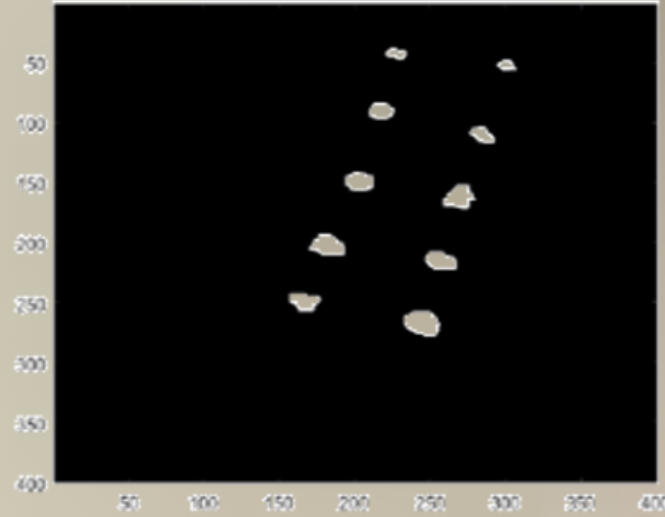
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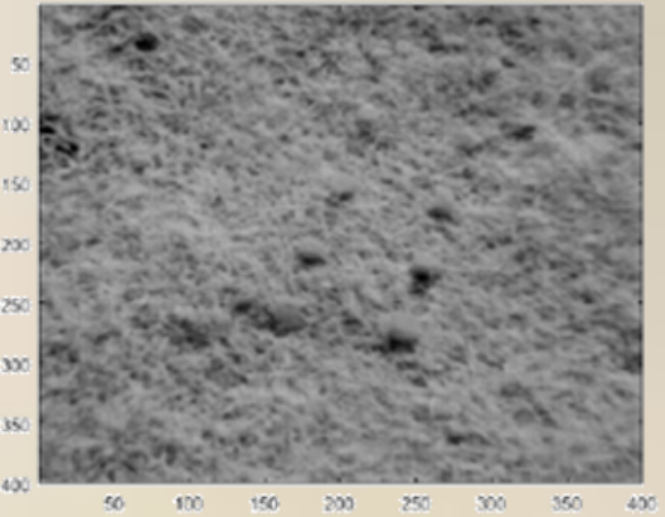
**Original HSI**



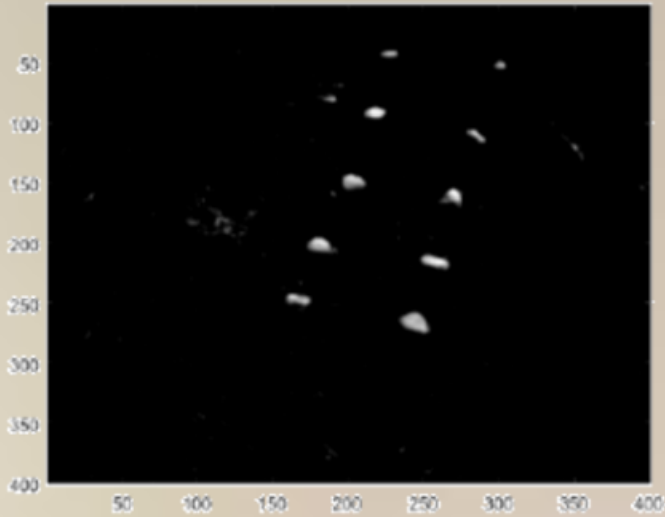
**Ground Truth**



**Low rank matrix L**



**Sparse matrix E**



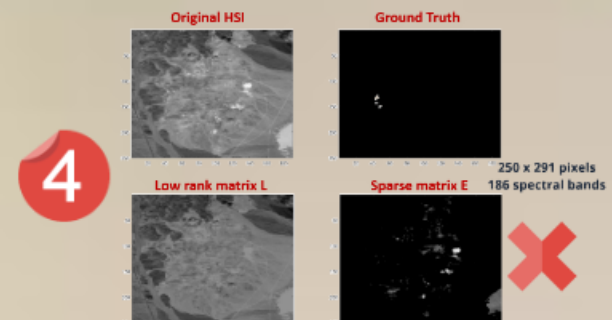
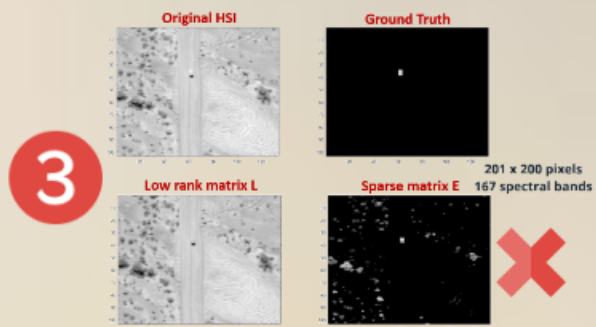
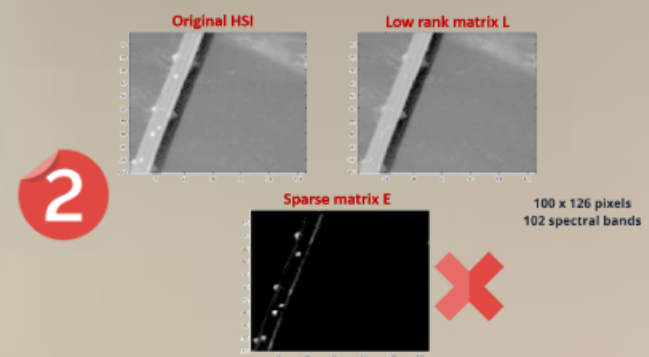
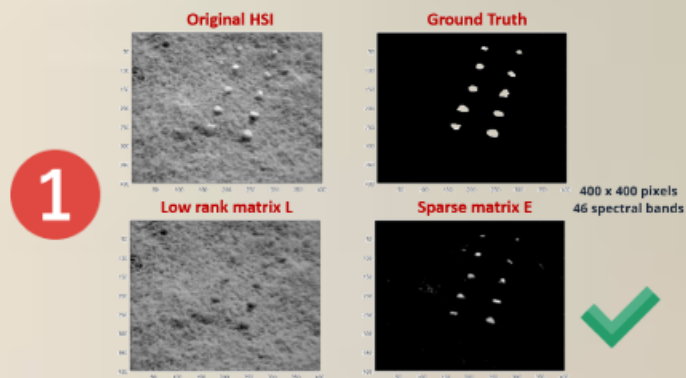
400 x 400 pixels  
46 spectral bands



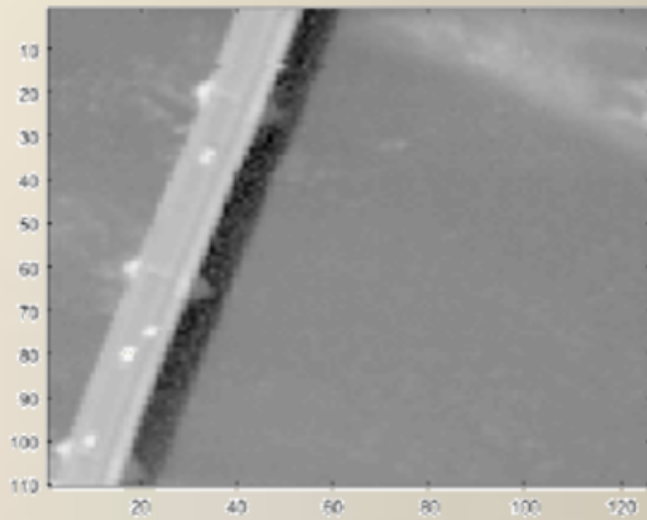
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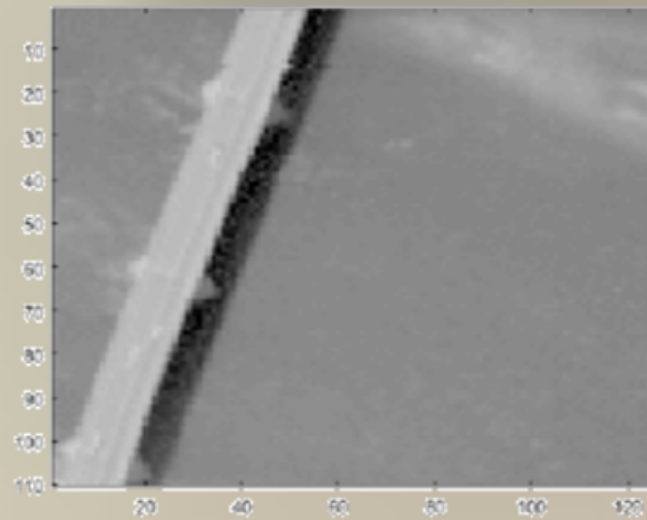
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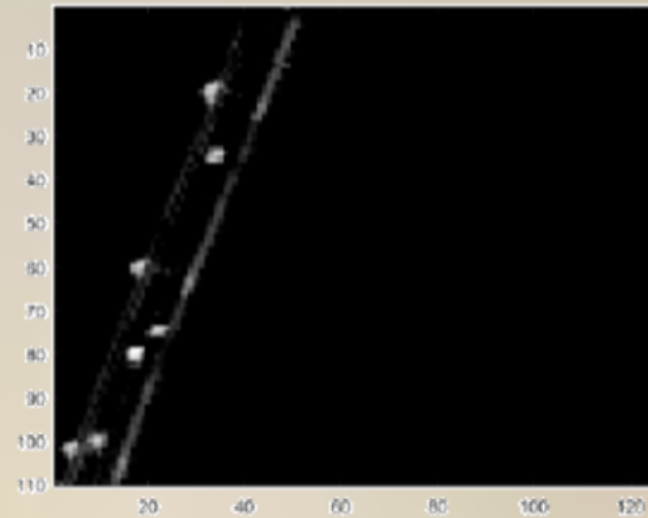
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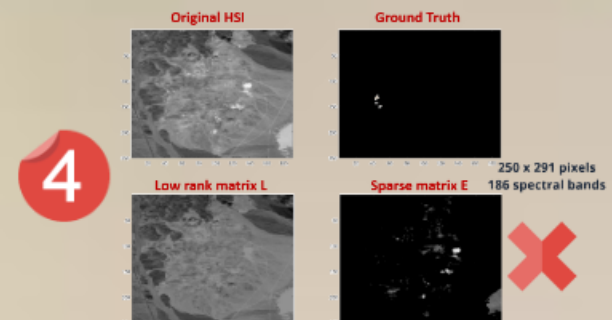
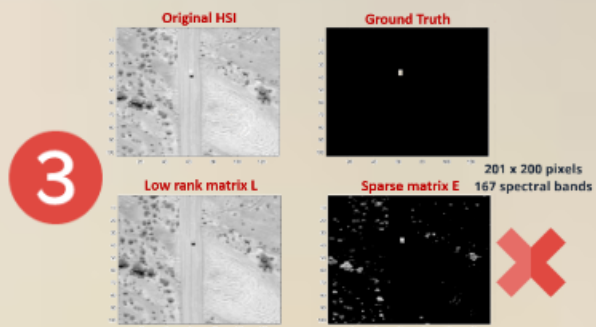
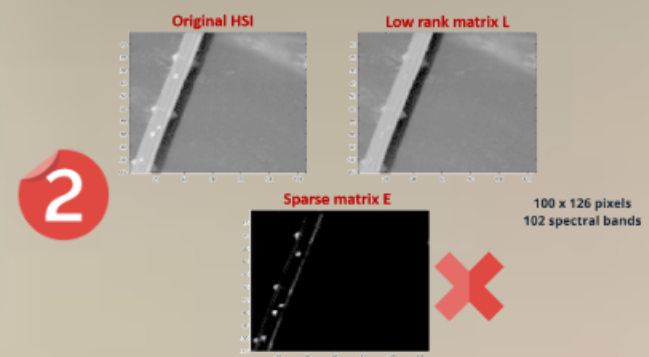
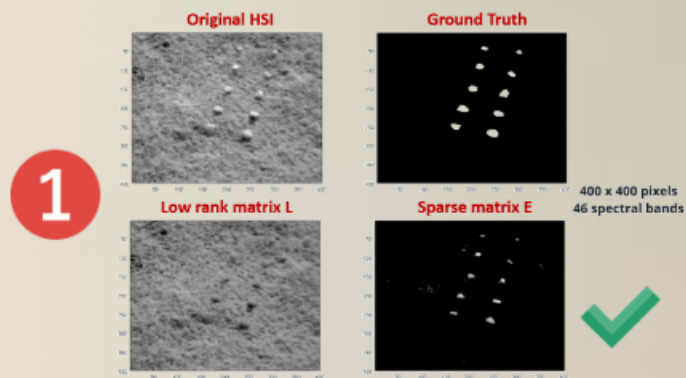


**100 x 126 pixels  
102 spectral bands**





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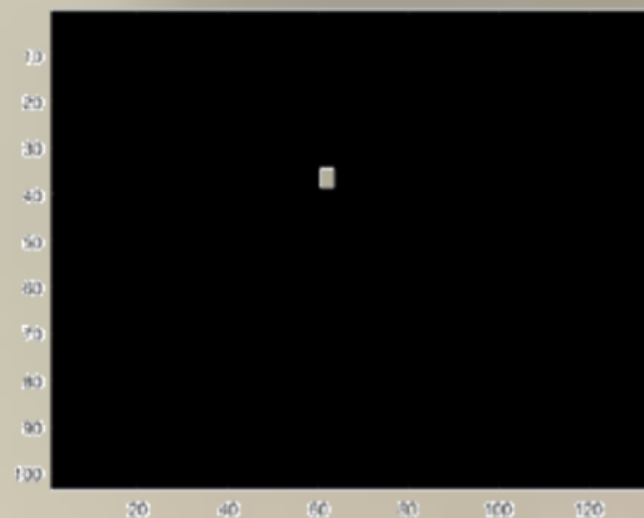


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Original HSI



Ground Truth



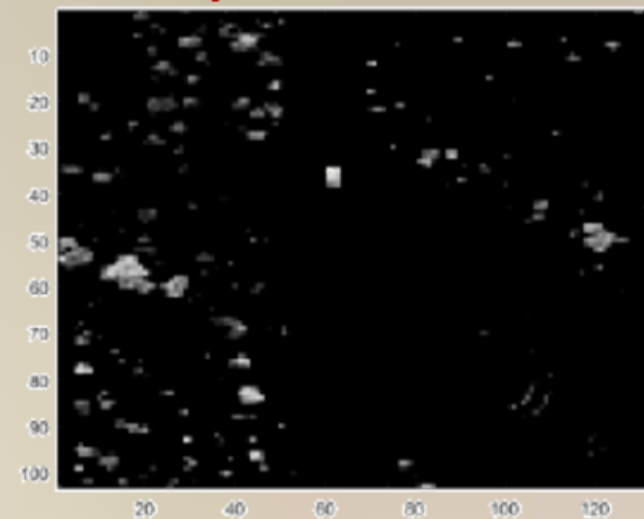
201 x 200 pixels

167 spectral bands

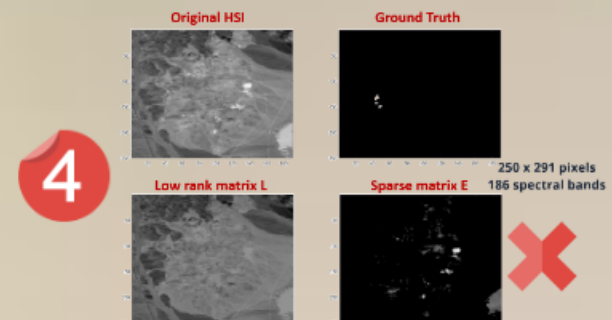
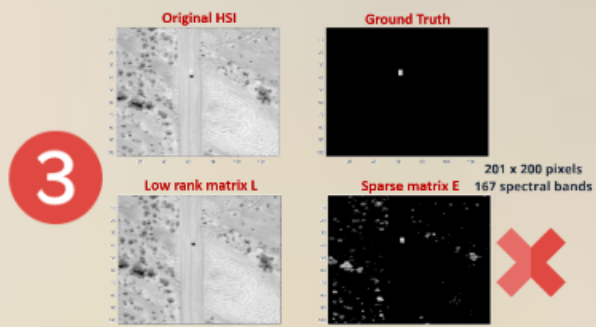
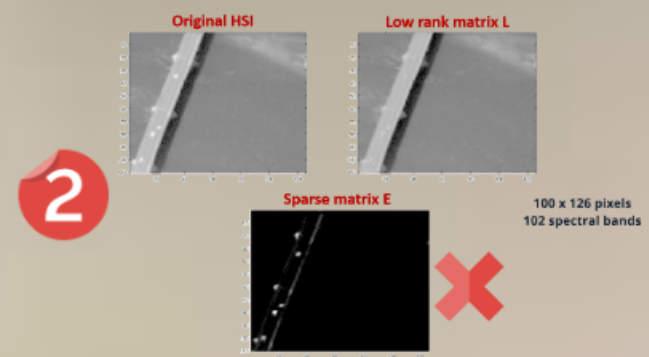
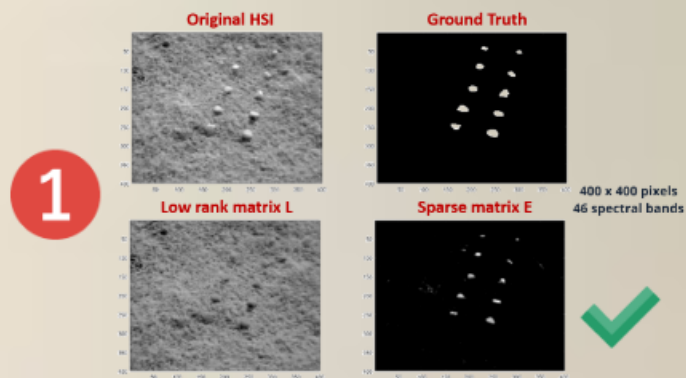
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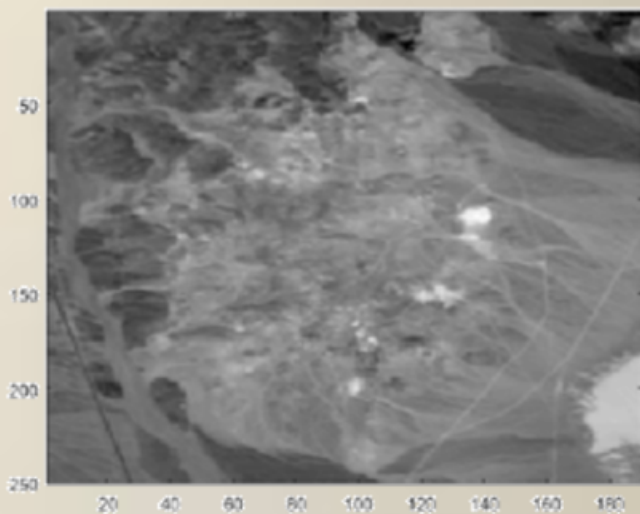


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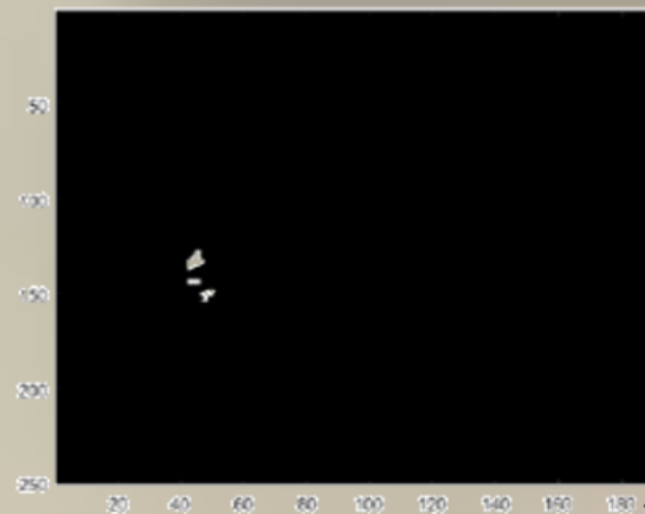


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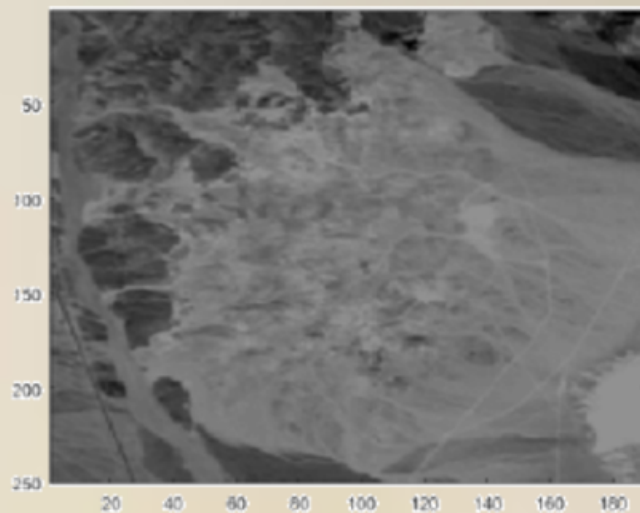


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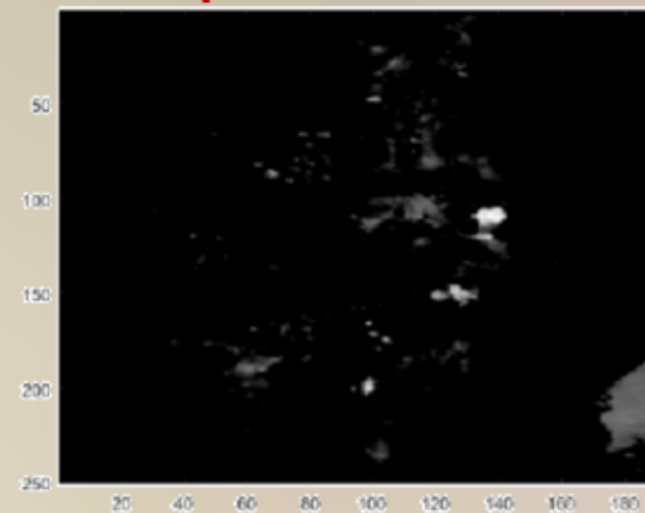
250 x 291 pixels

Low rank matrix L



Sparse matrix E

186 spectral bands



# Let us modify the RPCA (1/3)

We suppose that a target prior information is provided to the user:

The target spectra is known

## Our problem formulation:

1. Let us consider that the given HSI contains  $q$  pixels of the form:

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \alpha_i \mathbf{t}_i + (1 - \alpha_i) \mathbf{b}_i, \quad 0 < \alpha_i \leq 1 \quad i \in [1, q]$$

2. Assume that all  $\{\mathbf{t}_i\}_{i \in [1, q]}$  consist of similar materials:

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \alpha_i \sum_{j=1}^{N_t} \left( \beta_{i,j} \mathbf{a}_j^t \right) + (1 - \alpha_i) \mathbf{b}_i \quad i \in [1, q].$$



***Let us modify the RPCA (2/3)***

$$\mathbf{D} = \mathbf{L}_0 + (\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C}_0)^T + \mathbf{N}_0$$

## *Let us modify the RPCA (3/3)*

In order to recover the low rank and sparse components:

$$\min_{\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{C}} \left\{ \tau \text{rank}(\mathbf{L}) + \lambda \|\mathbf{C}\|_{2,0} + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{L} - (\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T\|_F^2 \right\} \quad \text{NP-HARD}$$



**Convex surrogation**

$$\min_{\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{C}} \left\{ \tau \|\mathbf{L}\|_* + \lambda \|\mathbf{C}\|_{2,1} + \|\mathbf{D} - \mathbf{L} - (\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T\|_F^2 \right\}$$

# ***Our novel target detector***

We use  $(\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T$  directly as a detector !!

**The sparse target image should be very sparse with very little false alarms**

**We do not need the the target fraction to be entirely removed and deposited in the sparse image**

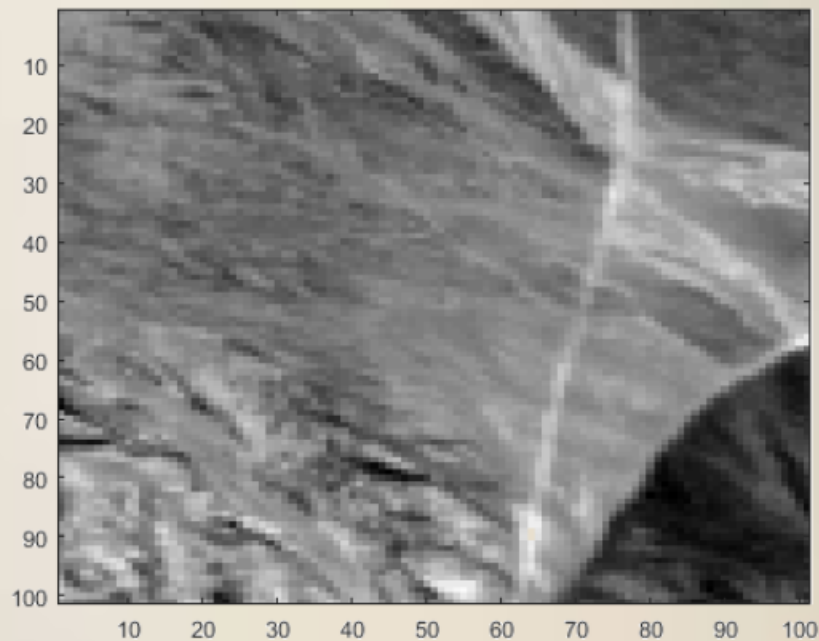
**The choice of  $\lambda$  should be high enough !!**





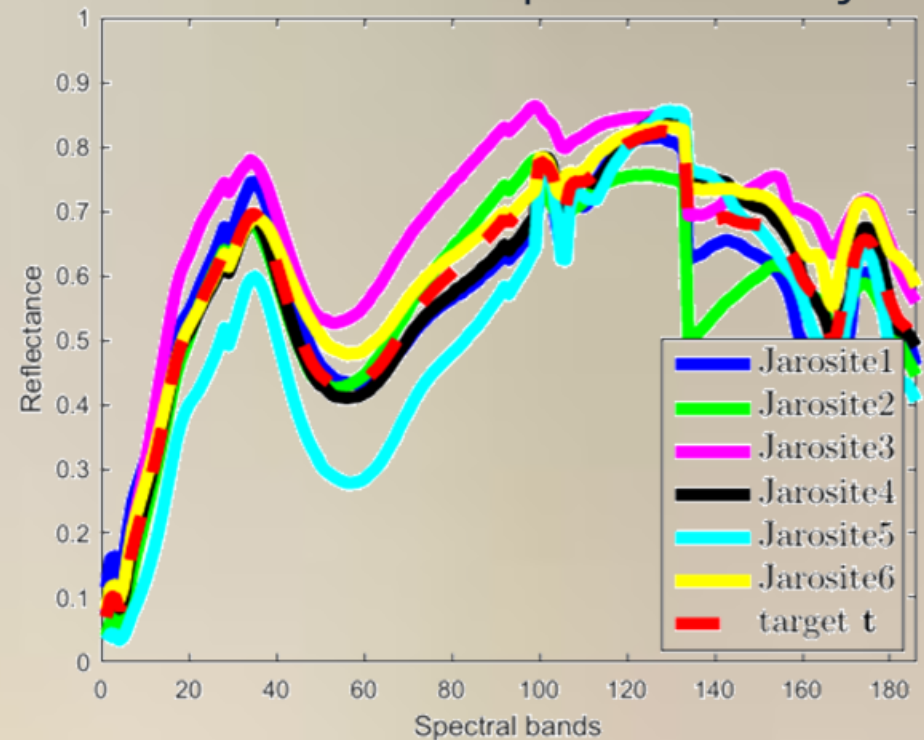
# Synthetic Application to target detection (1/10)

101 x 101 x 186 zone



7 target blocks are incorporated in the image for 7 target blocks are incorporated in the image for  $\alpha \in [0.01, 1]$

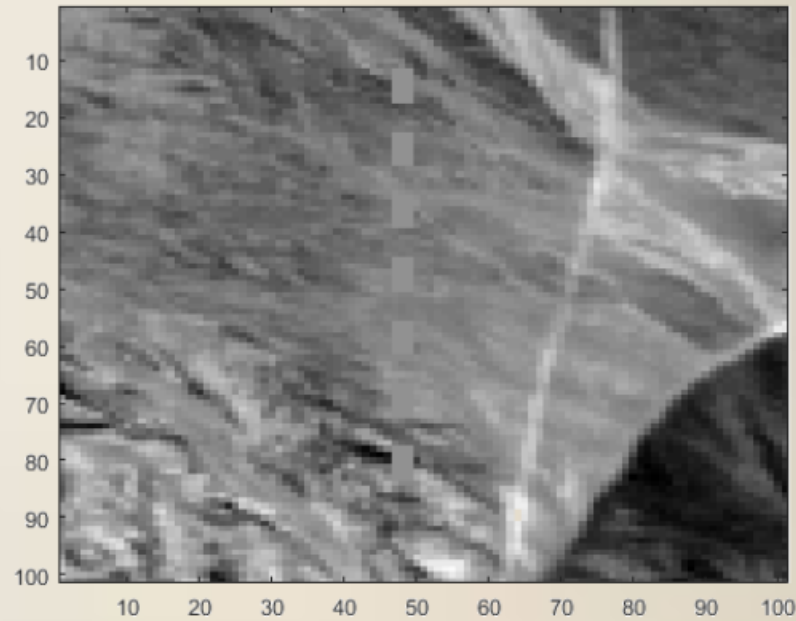
Jarosite target samples taken from the USGS spectral library



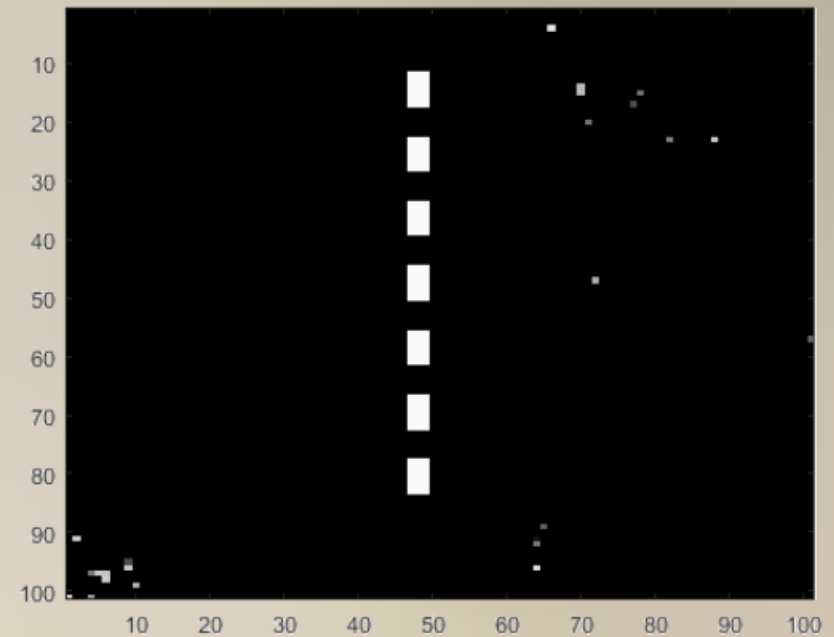
$A_t$

# Synthetic Application to target detection (2/10)

$$\alpha = 1$$

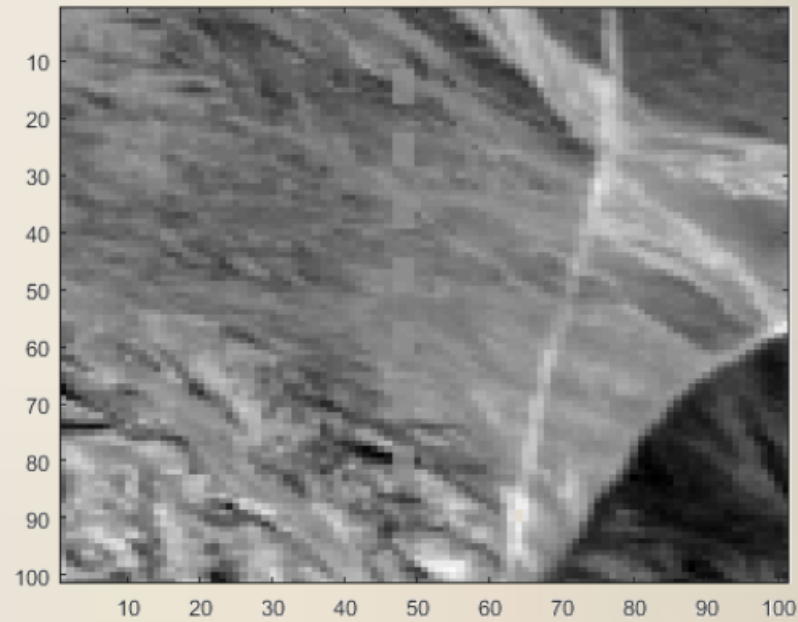


$$(\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T$$

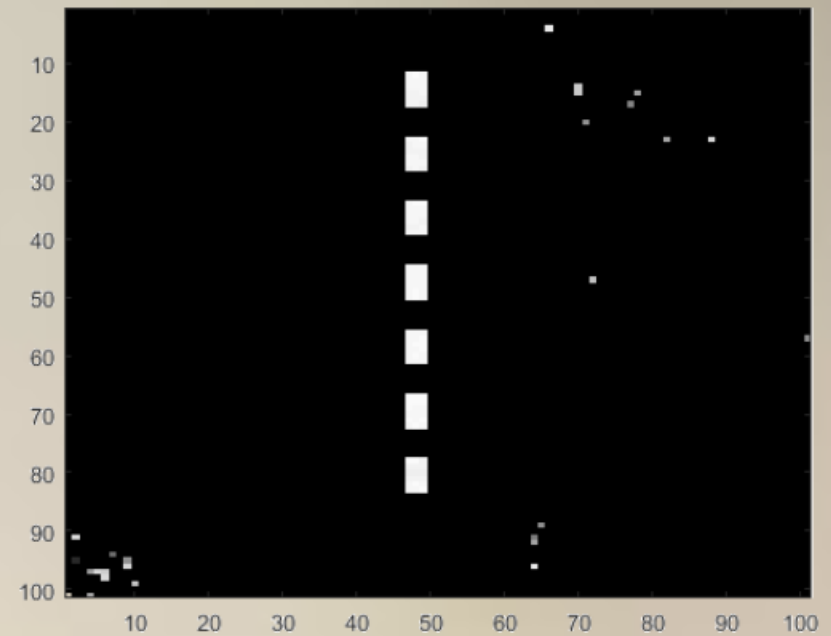


# Synthetic Application to target detection (3/10)

$$\alpha = 0.8$$

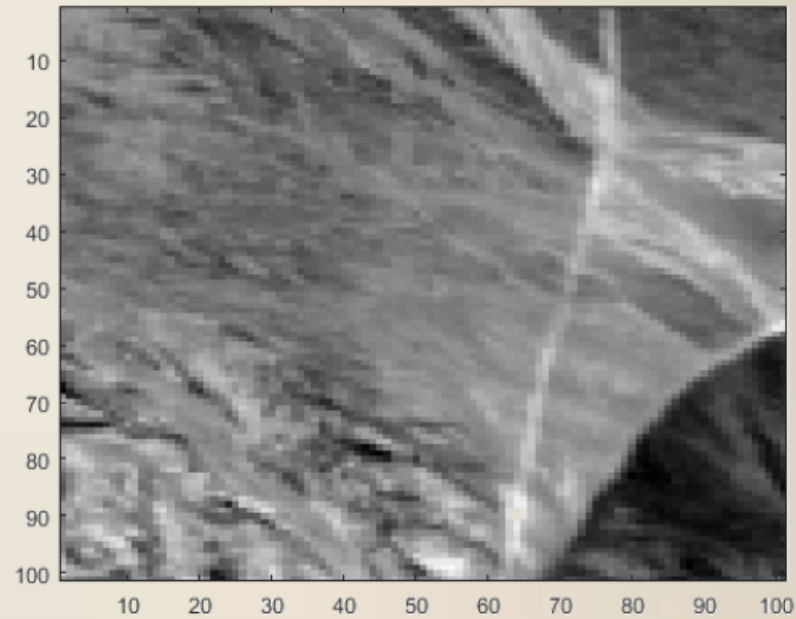


$$(\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T$$

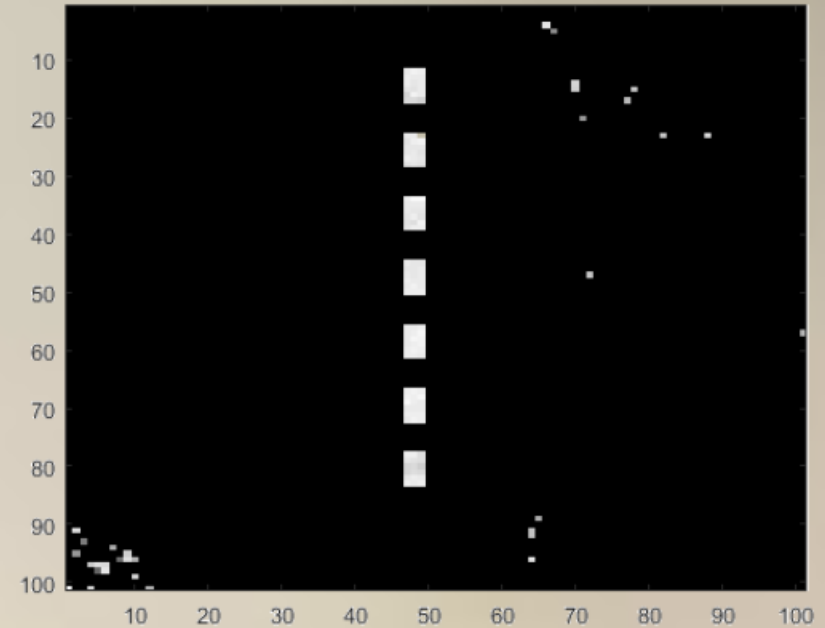


# Synthetic Application to target detection (4/10)

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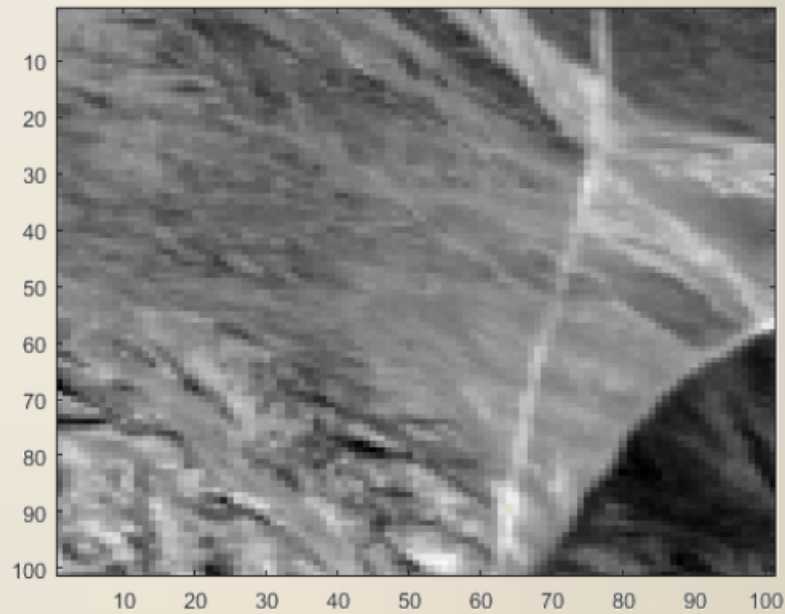


$$(\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T$$

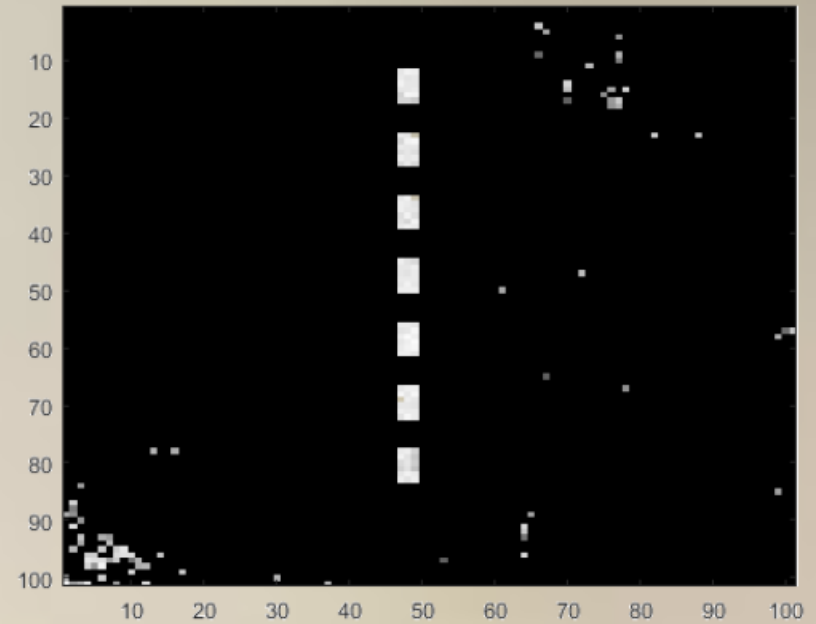


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$$\alpha = 0.3$$

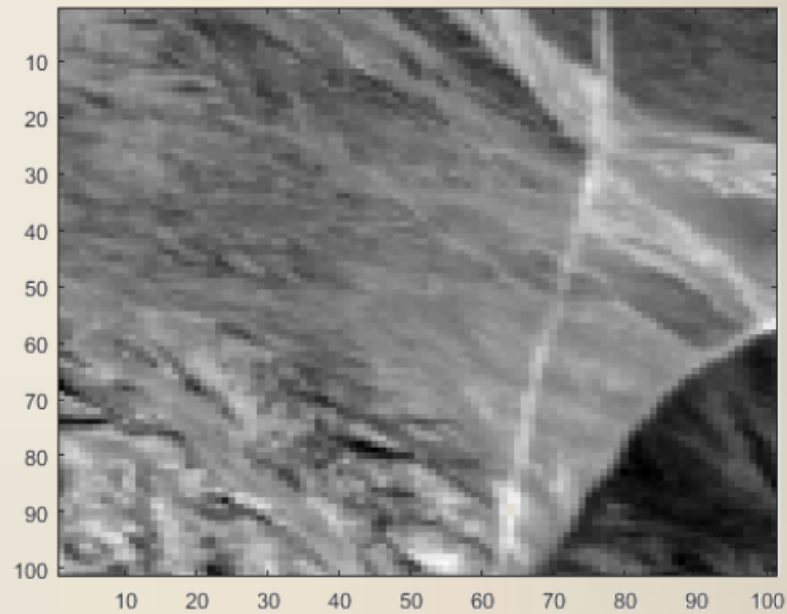


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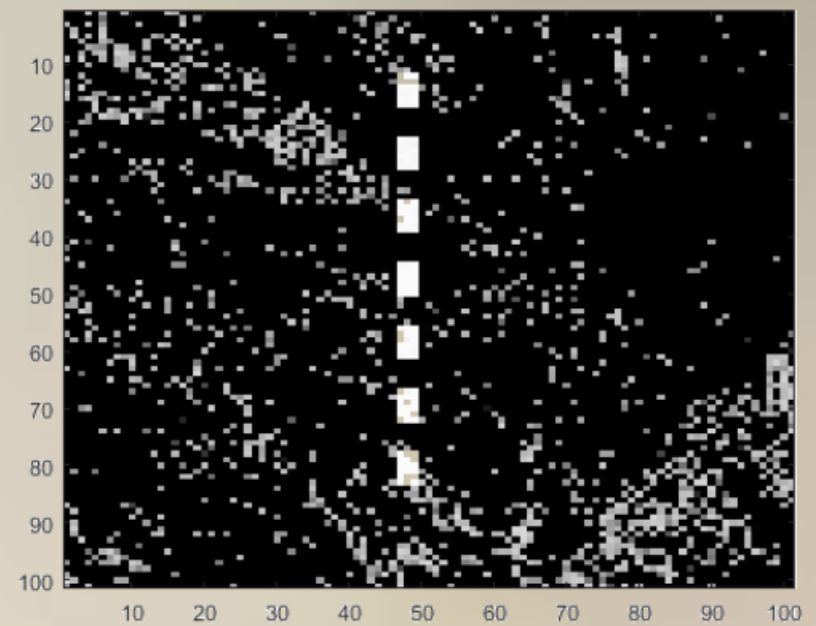


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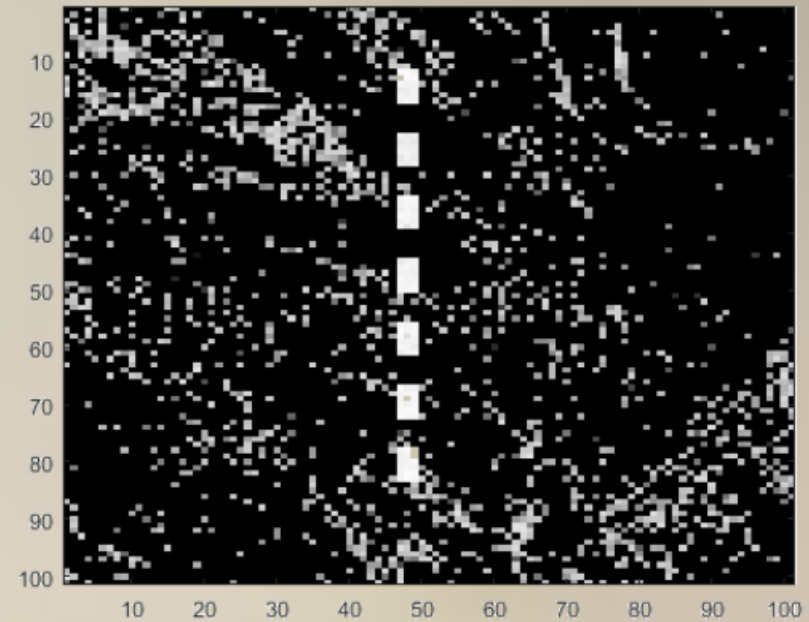
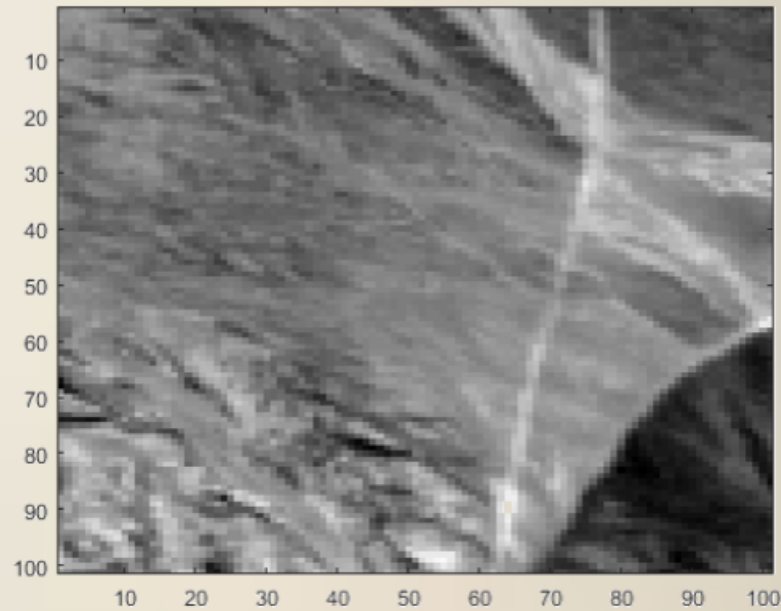
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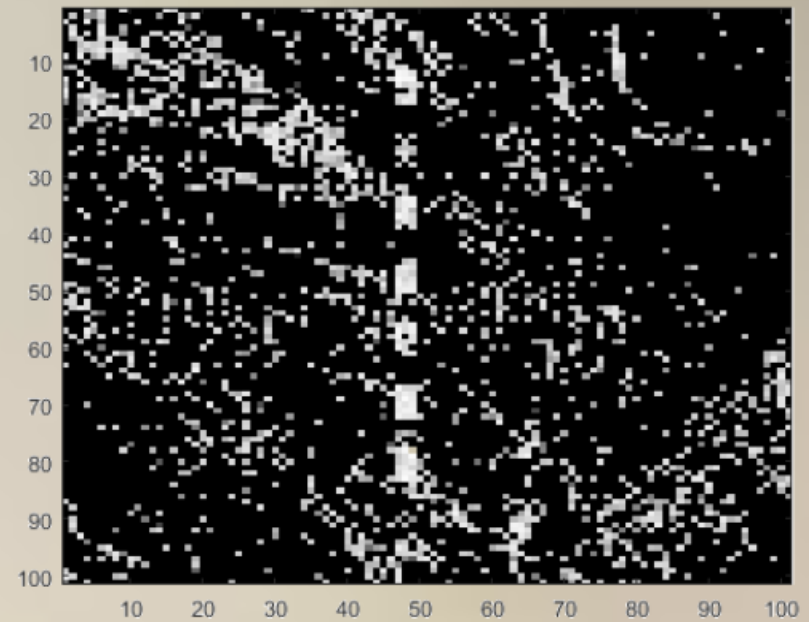
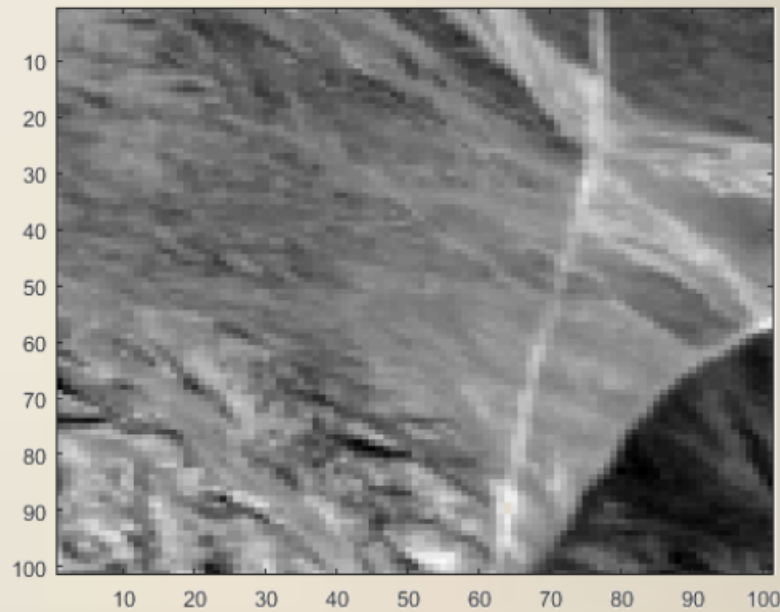
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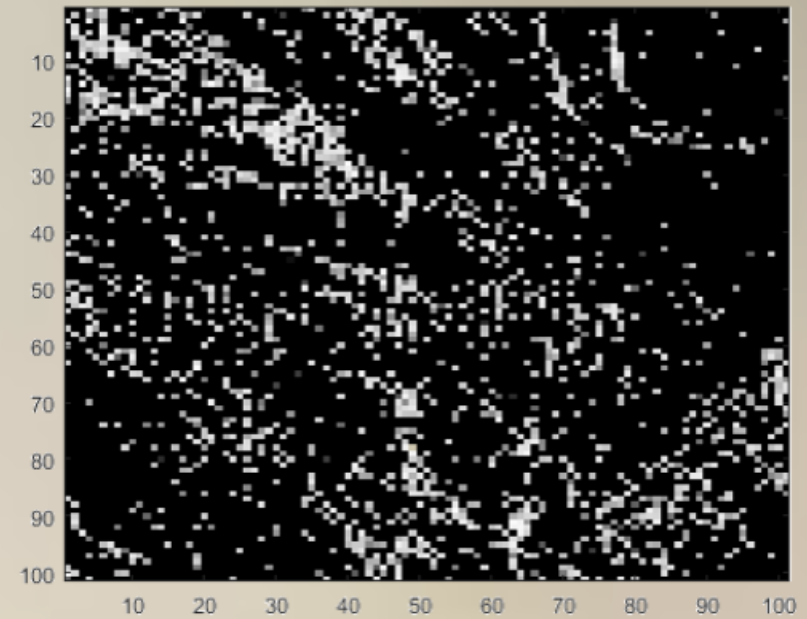
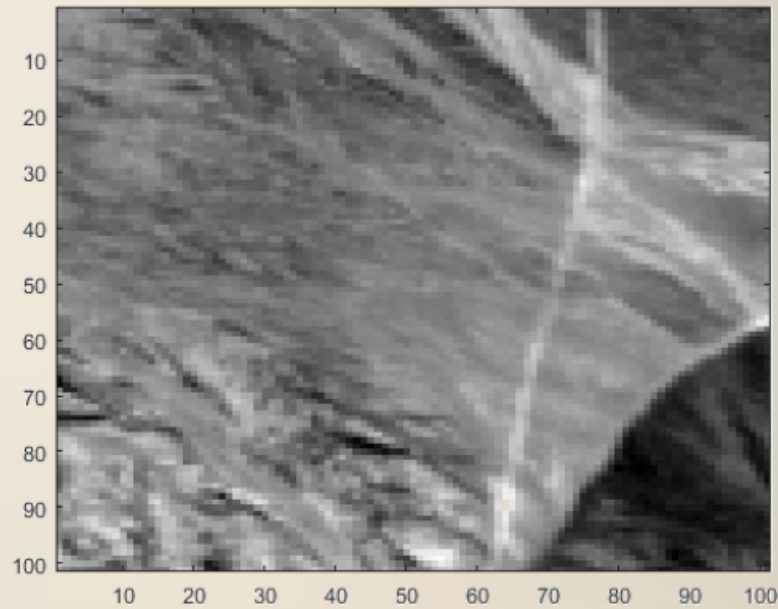




# Synthetic Application to target detection (9/10)

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

$$(\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T$$



# Synthetic Application to target detection (10/10)

## Some concluding remarks about the obtained results

- The target fill fraction affects the detection performance !!
- The results strongly depend on the relaxation norm used from the sparse matrix  $(\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T$
- There is a room for non target signals to appear in the sparse image  $(\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T$

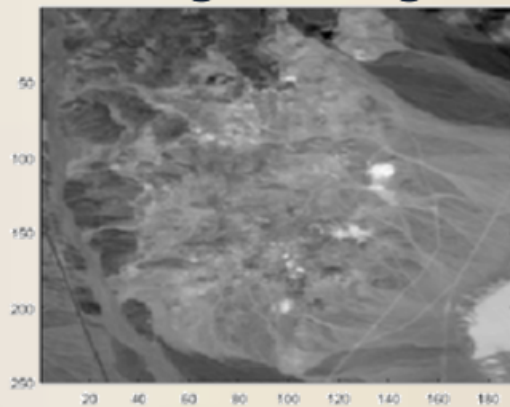


High false alarms !!



# Real experiments for target detection

original image

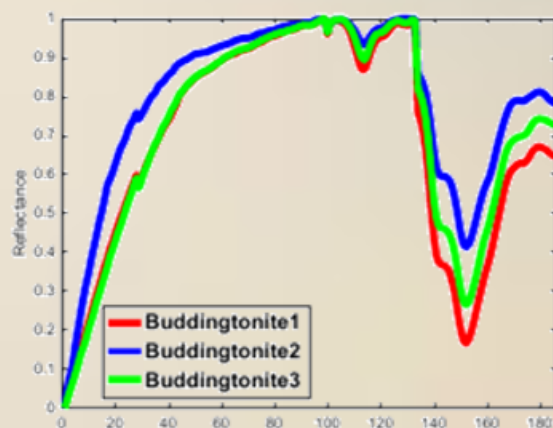
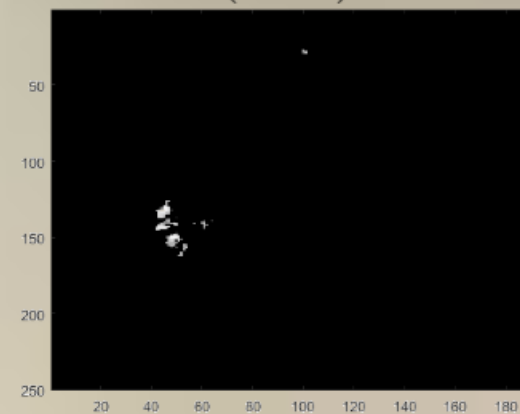


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$$= A_t$$

Buddingtonite target samples  
from the ASTER spectral library

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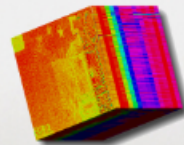
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# So how to exploit **sparsity** ?

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# General background (1/3)

- If  $\mathbf{x} \in H_0$  :

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[Zhang et al. 2015]

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$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}} = \underset{\boldsymbol{\theta}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}_b \boldsymbol{\theta}\|_2 \quad \text{s.t.} \quad \|\boldsymbol{\theta}\|_0 \leq k_0,$$

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**Orthogonal Matching Pursuit algorithm (OMP)**



# General background (1/3)

*The SRBBH target detector :*

$$D_{SRBBH}(\mathbf{x}) = \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A}_b \hat{\boldsymbol{\rho}}\|_2 - \|\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{A} \hat{\boldsymbol{\gamma}}\|_2 \quad [\text{Yuxiang Zhang}]$$

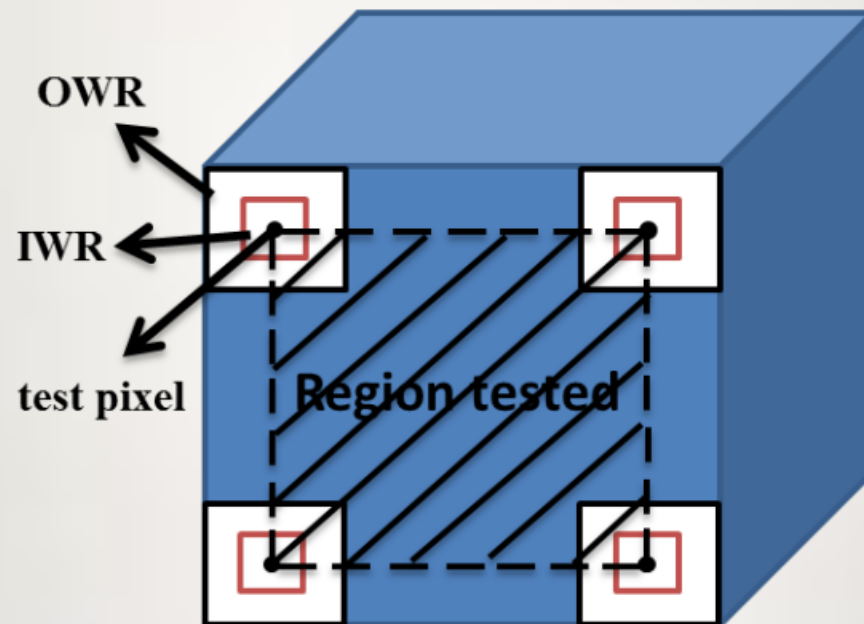
If  $D_{SRBBH}(\mathbf{x}) > \eta$   target present

If  $D_{SRBBH}(\mathbf{x}) \leq \eta$   target absent

# General background (1/3)



## *The usual estimation of $A_b$*



The dual concentric window

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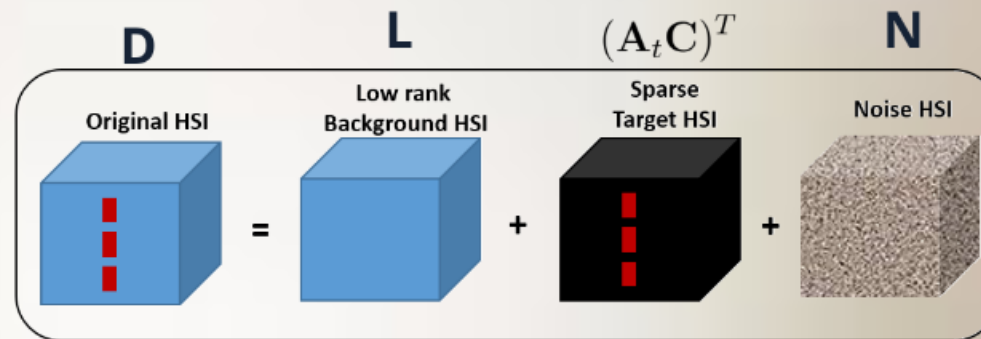
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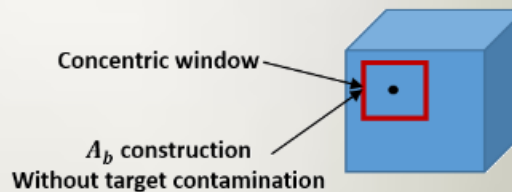
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# Let us improve the usual $A_b$ construction



Improving the target detection performance by constructing the background dictionary  $A_b$  from the low rank background HSI L

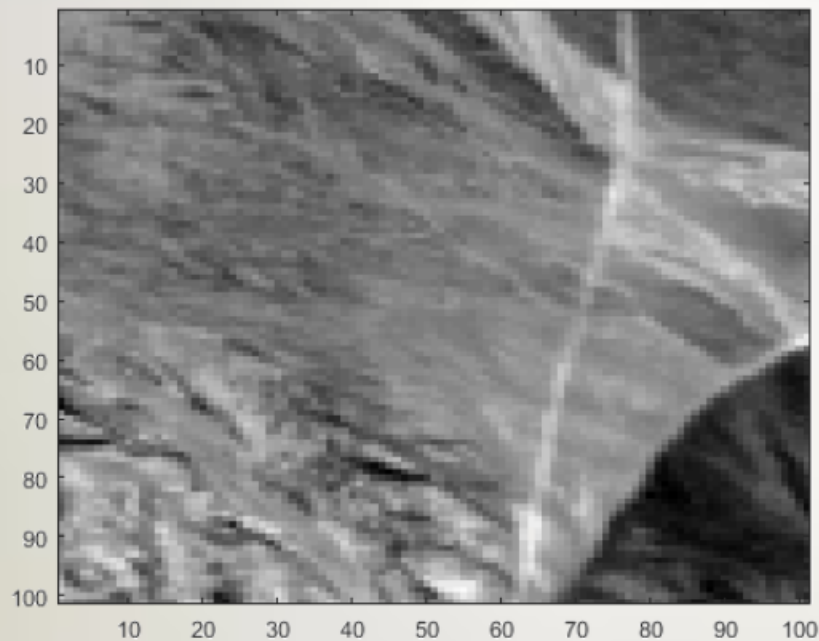




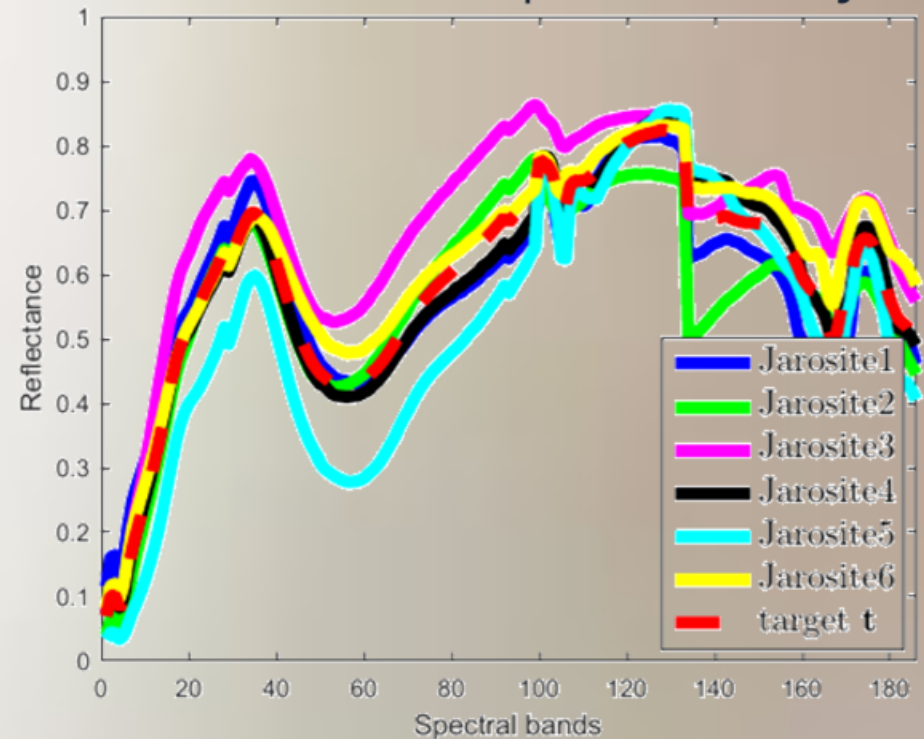
# Synthetic Application to target detection (1/11)

Same application as before

101 x 101 x 186 zone



Jarosite target samples taken from the USGS spectral library



$A_t$

7 target blocks are incorporated in the image for 7 target blocks are incorporated in the image for  $\alpha \in [0.01, 1]$



# Synthetic Application to target detection (2/11)

Separation evaluation our target and background separation model

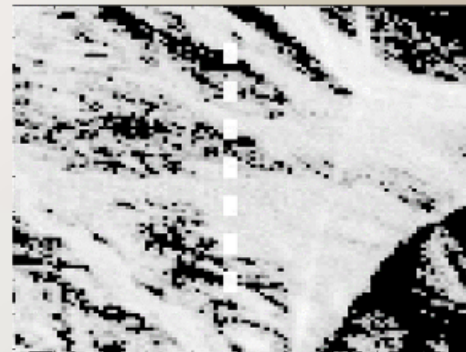
**D**



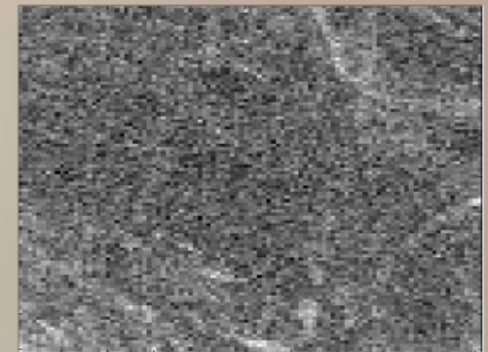
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$(A_t C)^T$



**N**



$\alpha = 0.1$



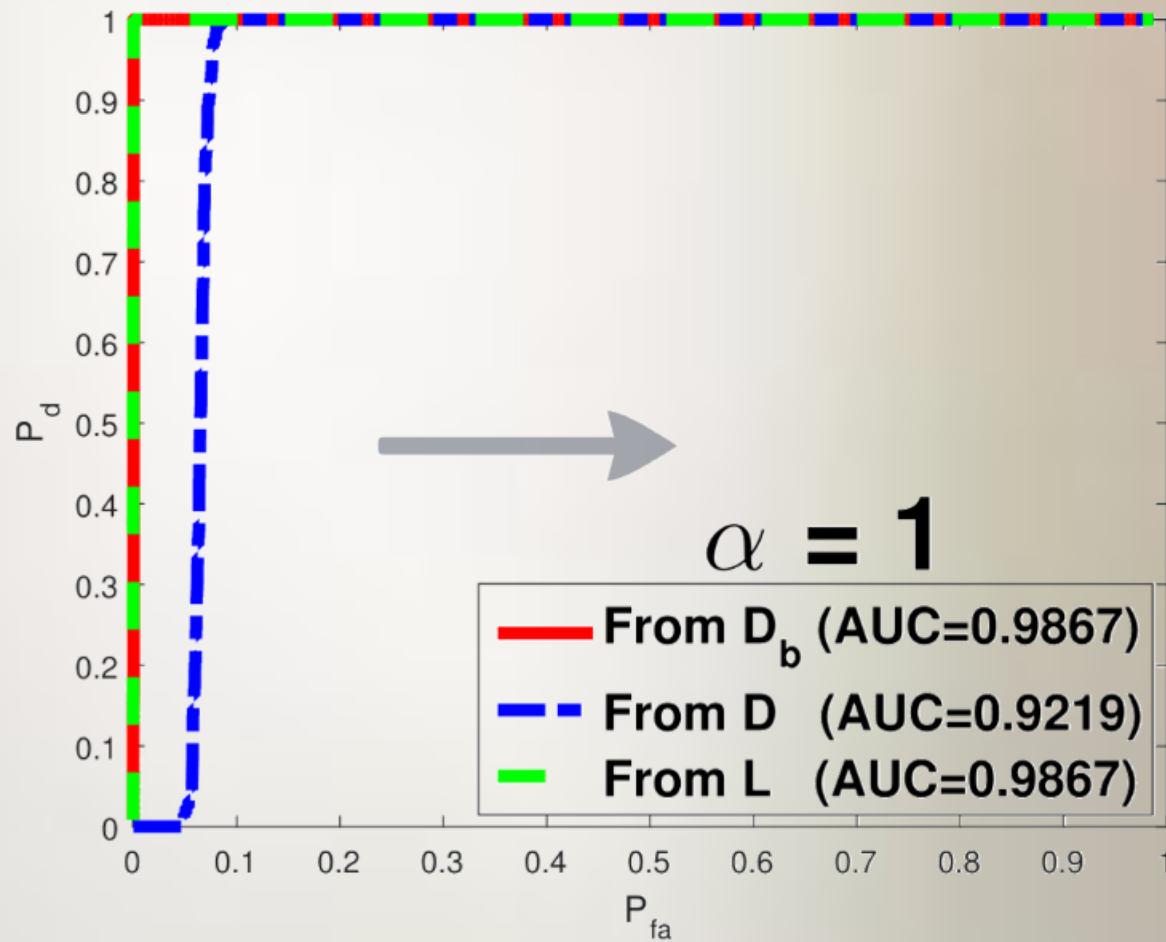
# Synthetic Application to target detection (3/11)

Concentric window of size : 5 x 5

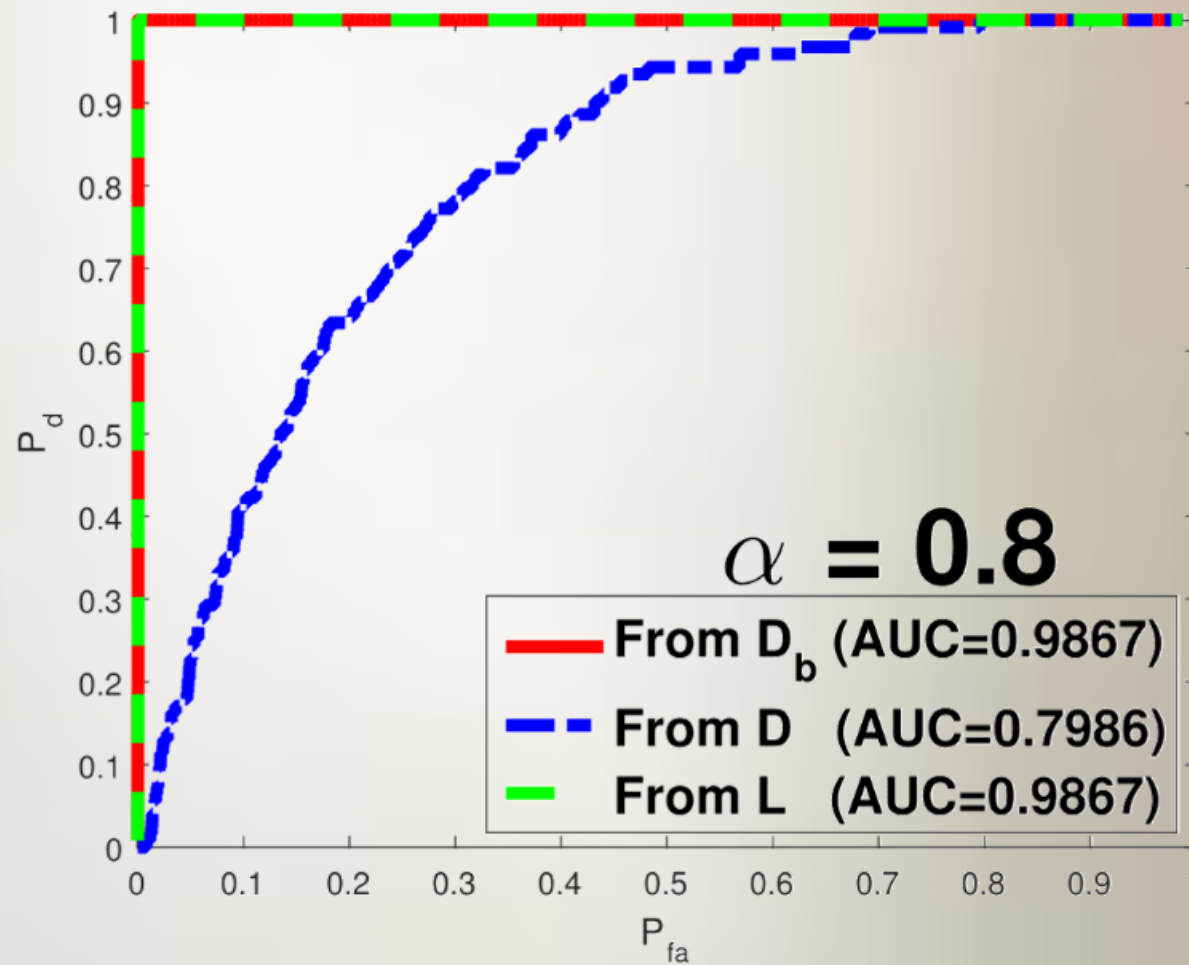
We shall use  $D_b$   $\longrightarrow$  Pure background HSI (without the targets)

We shall use  $D$   $\longrightarrow$  HSI after incorporating the targets

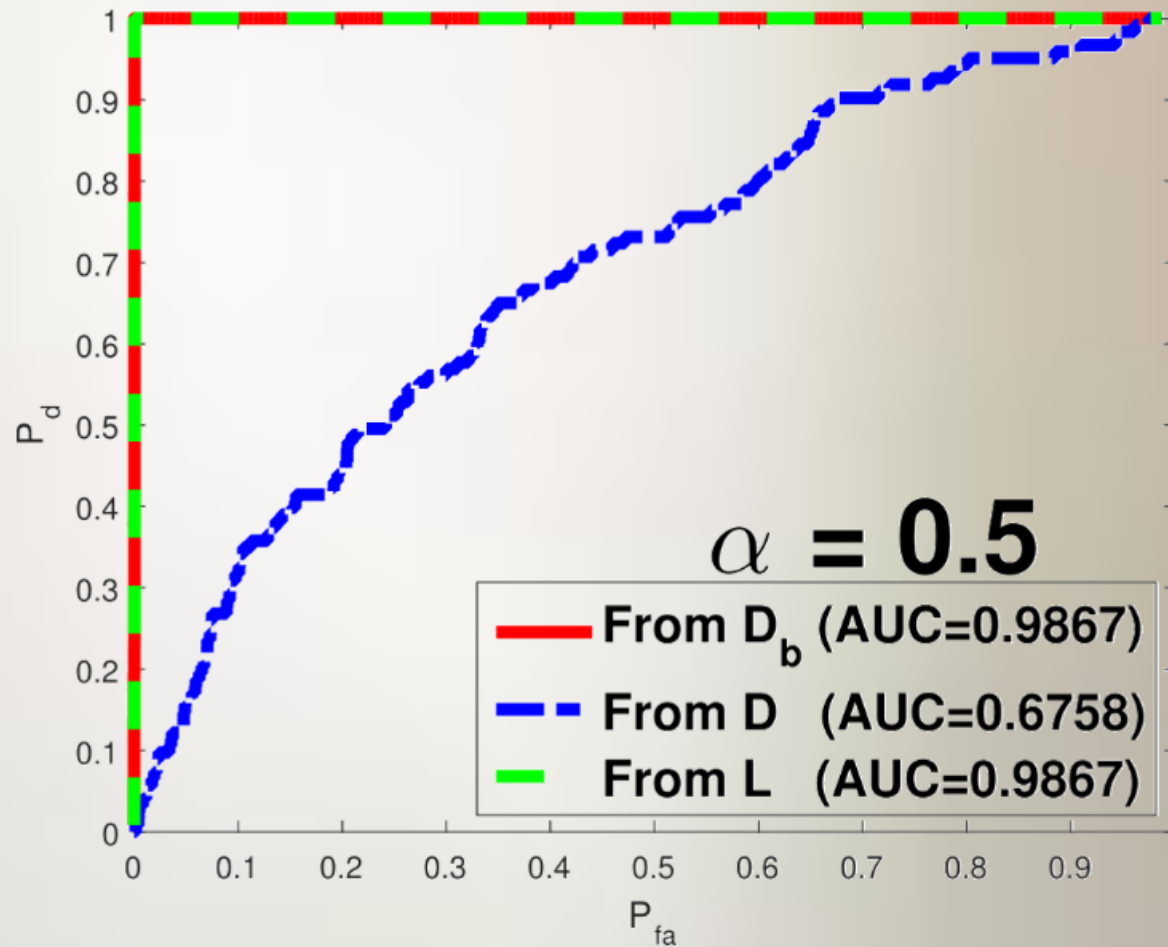
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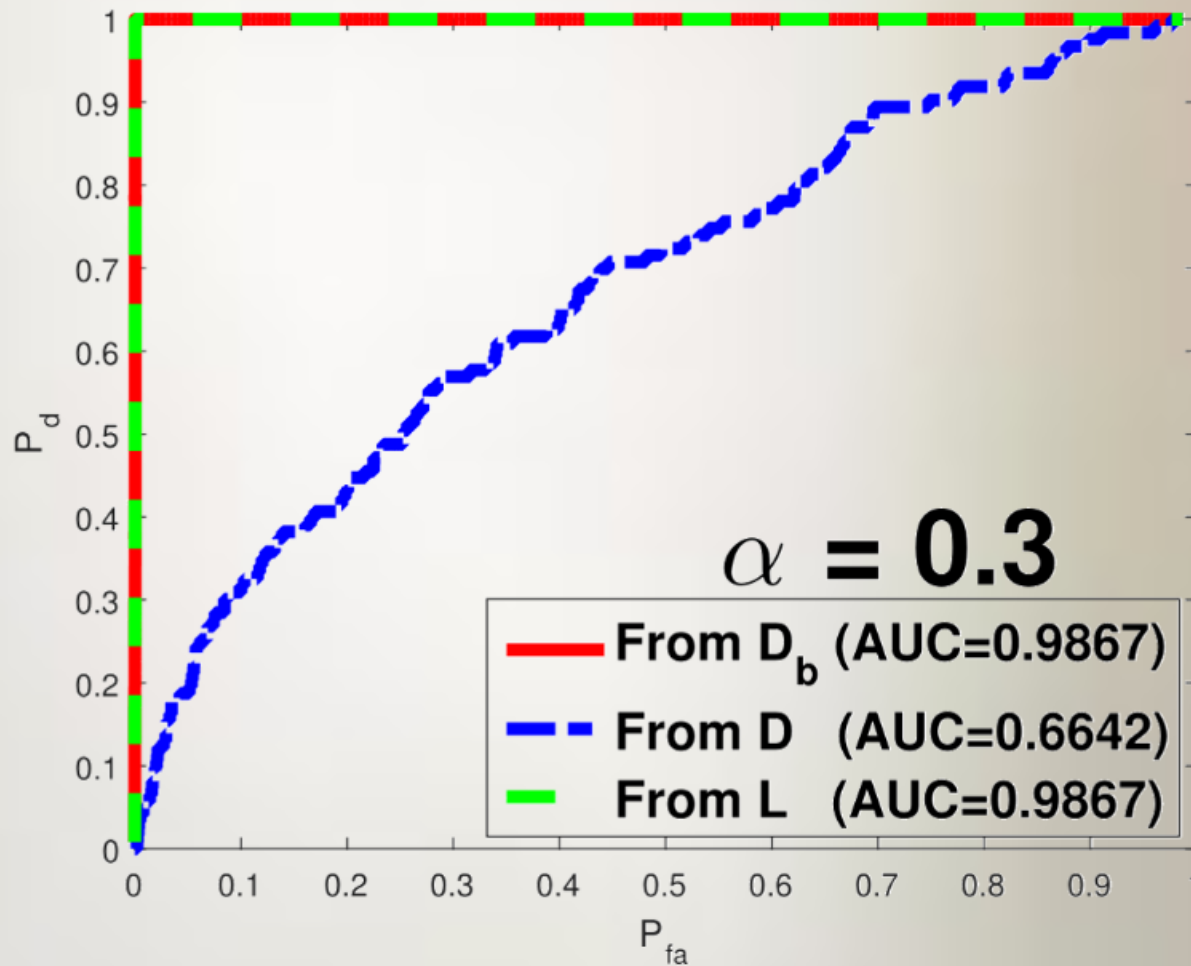
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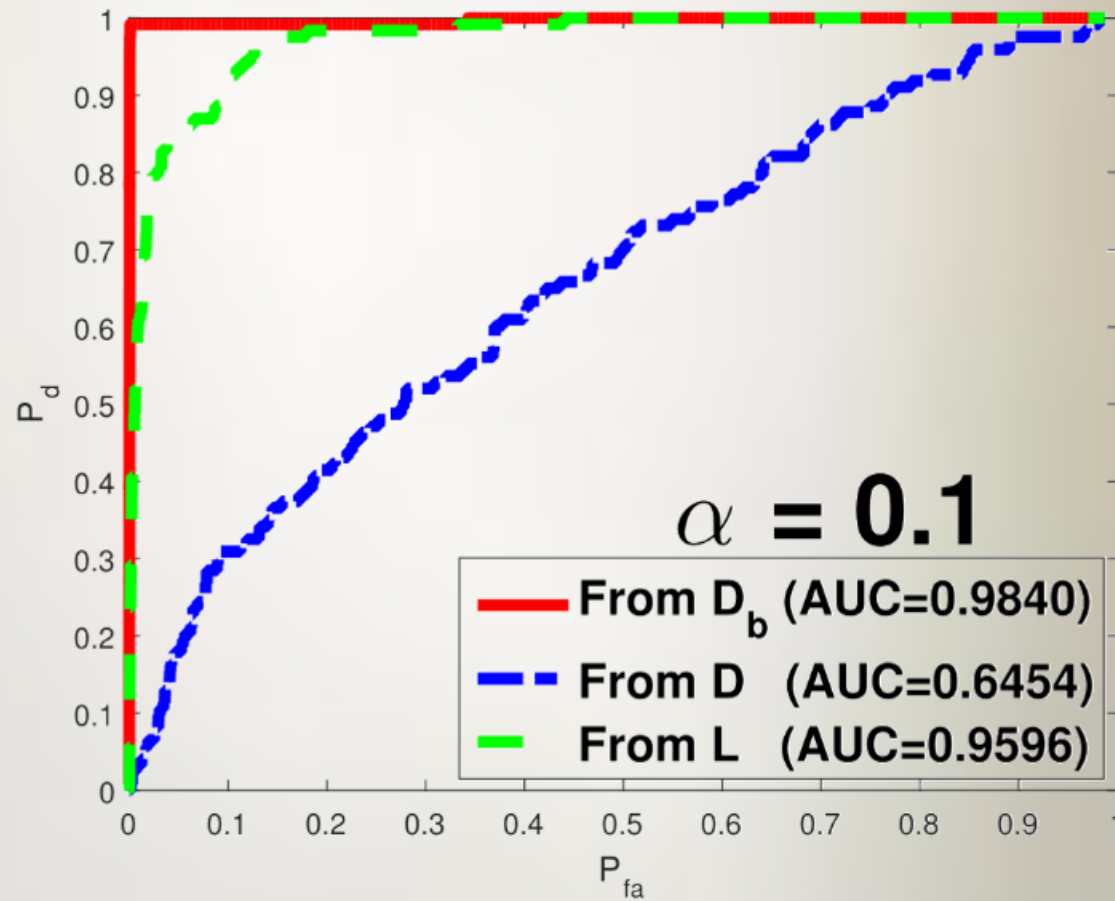
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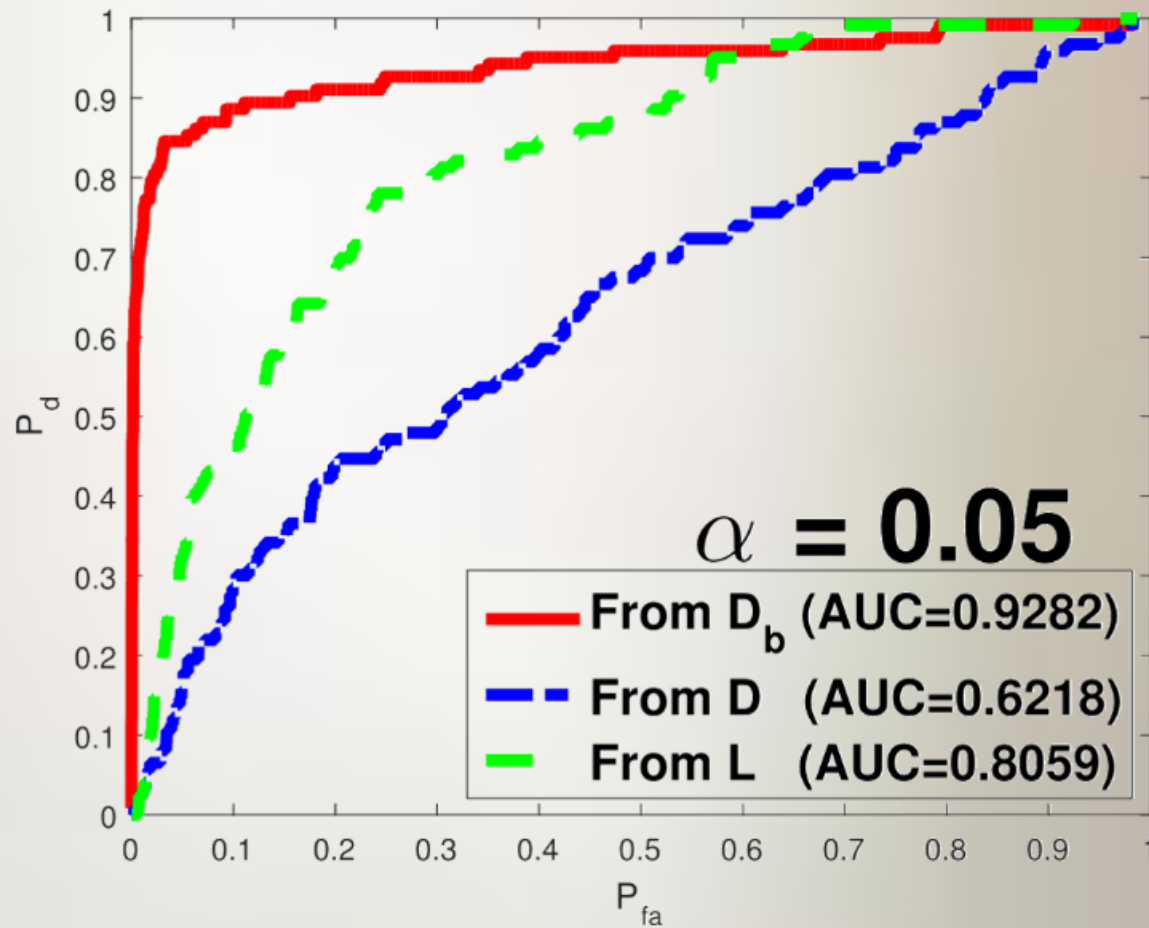


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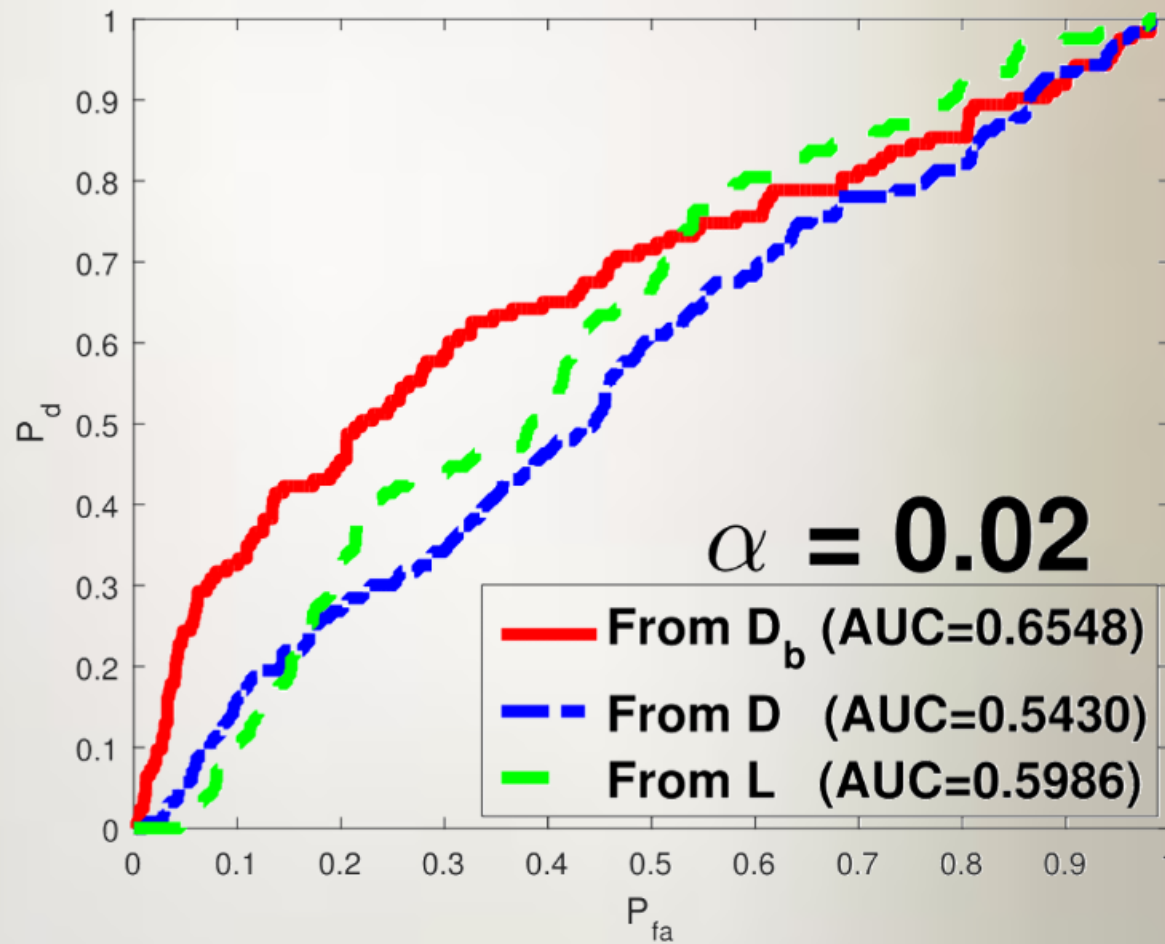




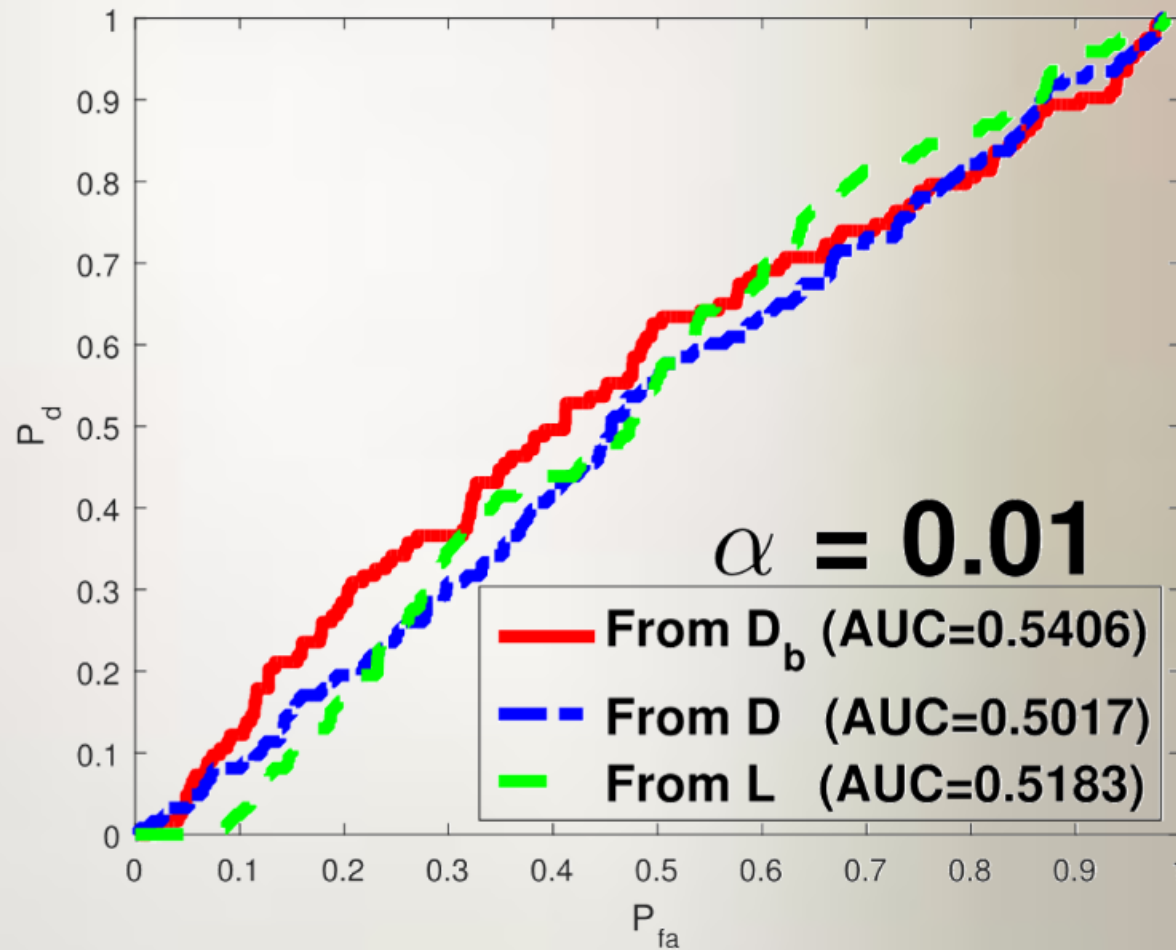
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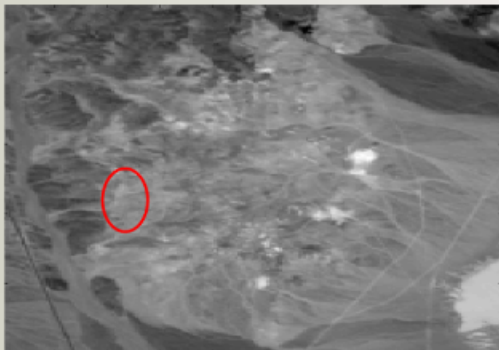
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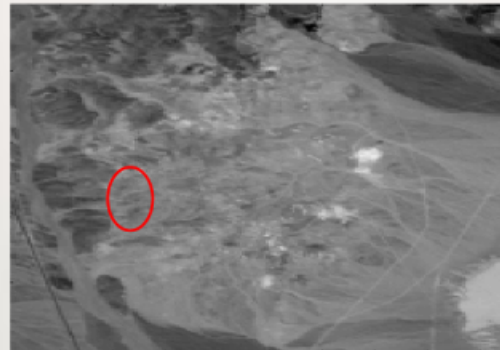
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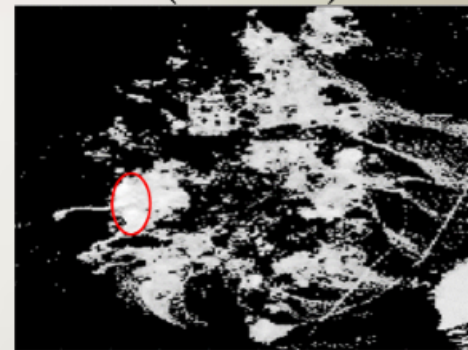
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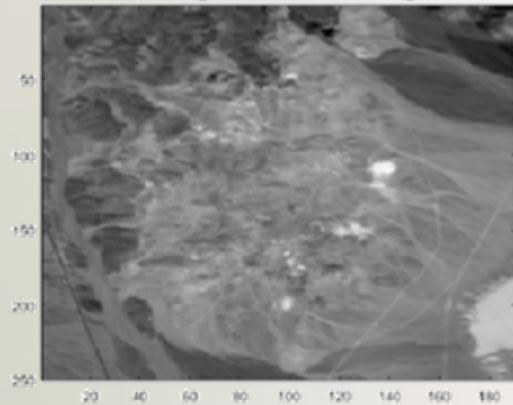


after some thresholding



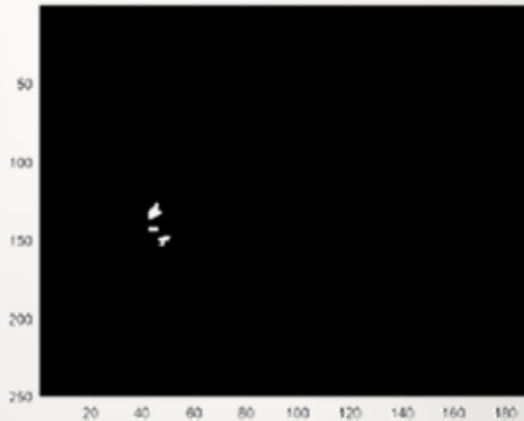
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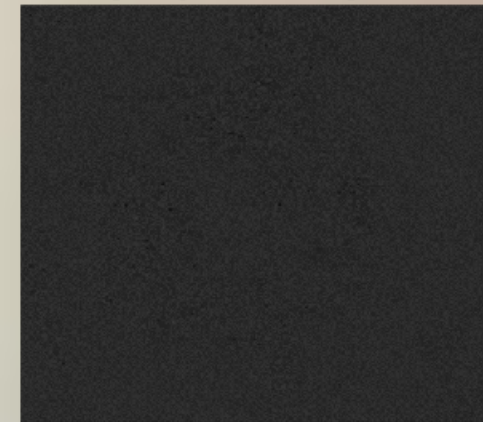


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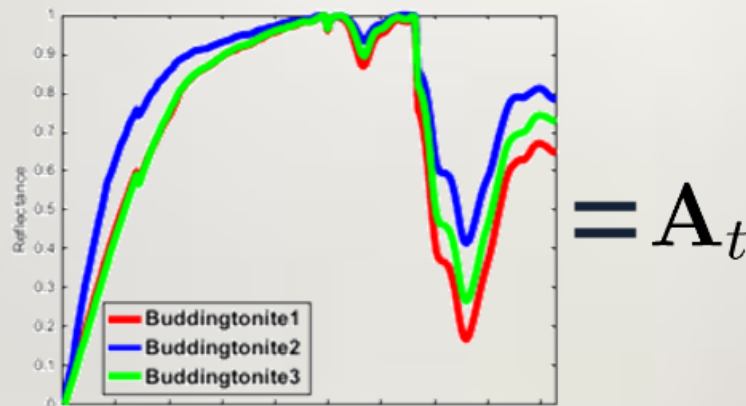
Ground Truth



without our proposed separation method



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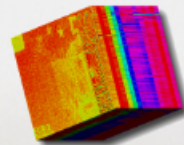
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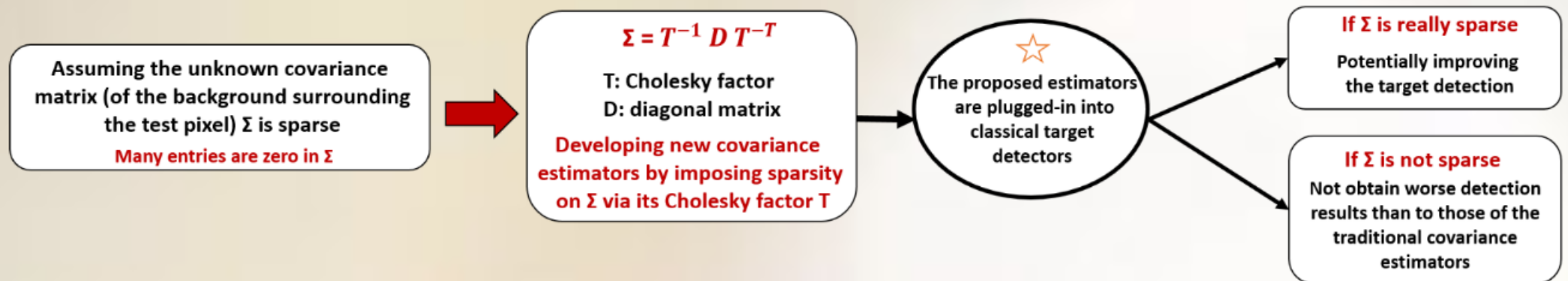
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# Some of the obtained results

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Model 2	0.9540	0.7977	0.8361	0.9124	0.9124	0.9264	0.9264	0.9184	<b>0.9478</b>	0.9274	0.9270
Model 3	0.9541	0.7978	0.8259	0.8169	0.8257	0.8236	<b>0.8261</b>	0.7798	0.5321	0.5969	0.5781
MUSE	Not known	0.6277	0.6575	0.9620	<b>0.9643</b>	0.8844	0.8844	0.7879	0.9277	0.7180	0.7180

Traditional estimators

Our proposed estimators

State of the art

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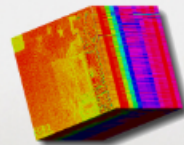
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# Conclusion

Three reasons of sparsity have been presented :

## The first reason

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- The object of interest is :  $(\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{C})^T$  it is directly used for the detection

## The second reason

- The background dictionary construction has been improved by exploiting the sparse and target separation model proposed in the reason one



# *Directions for future work*

- Evaluate the proposed methods on more real datasets.
- The use of other proxies than the  $l_{2,1}$  (closer to the  $l_{2,0}$ ) which can help to alleviate the  $l_{2,1}$  artifact and probably facilitate manual selection problem of the tuning parameters  $\tau$  and  $\lambda$ .



A sign on a wooden post with the text "The end" and "Thank you ...". The sign is white with dark blue text. The post is brown and has a circular top. The background is a light beige gradient.

**The end**

**Thank you ...**

