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# Math 278B - Mathematics of Information, Data, and Signals Seminar

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## A family of measurement matrices for generalized compressed sensing

**Abstract:**

We consider the problem of recovering a structured signal  $x$  that lies close to a subset of interest  $T$  in  $R^n$ , from its random noisy linear measurements  $y = B A x + w$ , i.e., a generalization of the classic compressed sensing problem. Above,  $B$  is a fixed matrix and  $A$  has independent sub-gaussian rows. By varying  $B$ , and the sub-gaussian distribution of  $A$ , this gives a family of measurement matrices which may have heavy tails, dependent rows and columns, and singular values with large dynamic range. Typically, generalized compressed sensing assumes a random measurement matrix with nearly uniform singular values (with high probability), and asks: How many measurements are needed to recover  $x$ ? In our setting, this question becomes: What properties of  $B$  allow good recovery? We show that the effective rank” of  $B$  may be used as a surrogate for the number of measurements, and if this exceeds the squared Gaussian complexity of  $T$ - $T$  then accurate recovery is guaranteed. We also derive the optimal dependence on the sub-gaussian norm of the rows of  $A$ , to our knowledge this was not known previously even in the case when  $B$  is the identity. We allow model mismatch and inexact optimization with the aim of creating an easily accessible theory that specializes well to the case when  $T$  is the range of an expansive neural net.

Host: Rayan Saab

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