

# How image reconstruction can improve THz communications A compressed sensing-assisted device discovery approach

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### **Motivation**

- "...6G research should look at the problem of transmitting up to 1 Tbps per user. This
  is possible through the efficient utilization of the spectrum in the THz regime...."
- THz communications needs highly directive antennas due to the high path loss
- Precise alignment between TX and RX necessary → *device discovery* crucial







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### Two step approach

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- 1. Scanning environment with low angular resolution
  - $\rightarrow$  Finding sector with highest received power
- 2. Scanning environment in dedicated sector with high angular resolution
  - → Finding angle of departure (AOD) / angle of arrival (AOA) combination with highest received power





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- Method to reconstruct unknown signal vector x from known measurement vector y
- Known from signal processing and image reconstruction

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$$
  $\mathbf{x} \in {\rm I\!R}^n$   $\mathbf{y} \in {\rm I\!R}^m$ 

• *A* is the measurement matrix

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- Due to dimension constraints, conventional techniques fail
- Prerequisite: Sparsity of x





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#### Influence of the antennas

T. Doeker and T. Kürner, "Influence of the Initial Antenna Orientation on the Performance of Compressed Sensing-assisted Device Discovery," *2021 Kleinheubach Conference*, 2021, pp. 1-4, doi: 10.23919/IEEECONF54431.2021.9598425.

• PAP / angular spread depends on antenna pattern and initial antenna orientation





no side lobes

with side lobes



initial antenna orientation  $\alpha_0 = -5^\circ$ 

initial antenna orientation  $\alpha_0 = -15^\circ$ 

- Same simulation scenarios as before
- Three different antennas (no / few / strong side lobes)
- Changing initial antenna orientation



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- Compressed sensing can assist device discovery
- Full potential from compressed sensing approach currently not exploited
- Possibilities for improvements:
  - Different solver
  - Multiple information (MIMO)
- Acceleration of processing (e.g., segmentation of reconstruction)



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