

# Anomaly Detection using Dictionary Learning

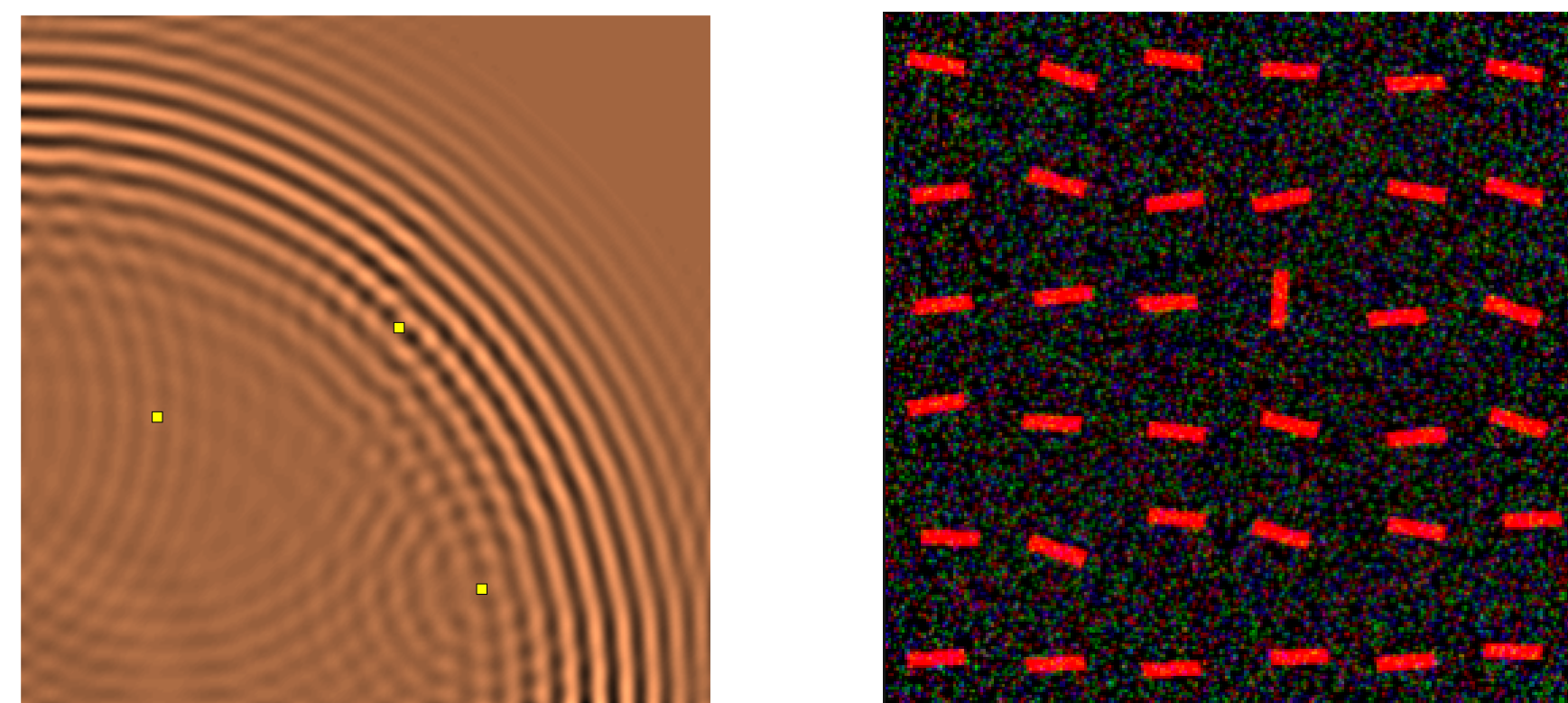
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## Introduction

Goals:

1. Find structural defects in wavefield data by detecting anomalous regions
2. Identify salient regions in natural images



Wavefield with 3 defects Image with visual saliency

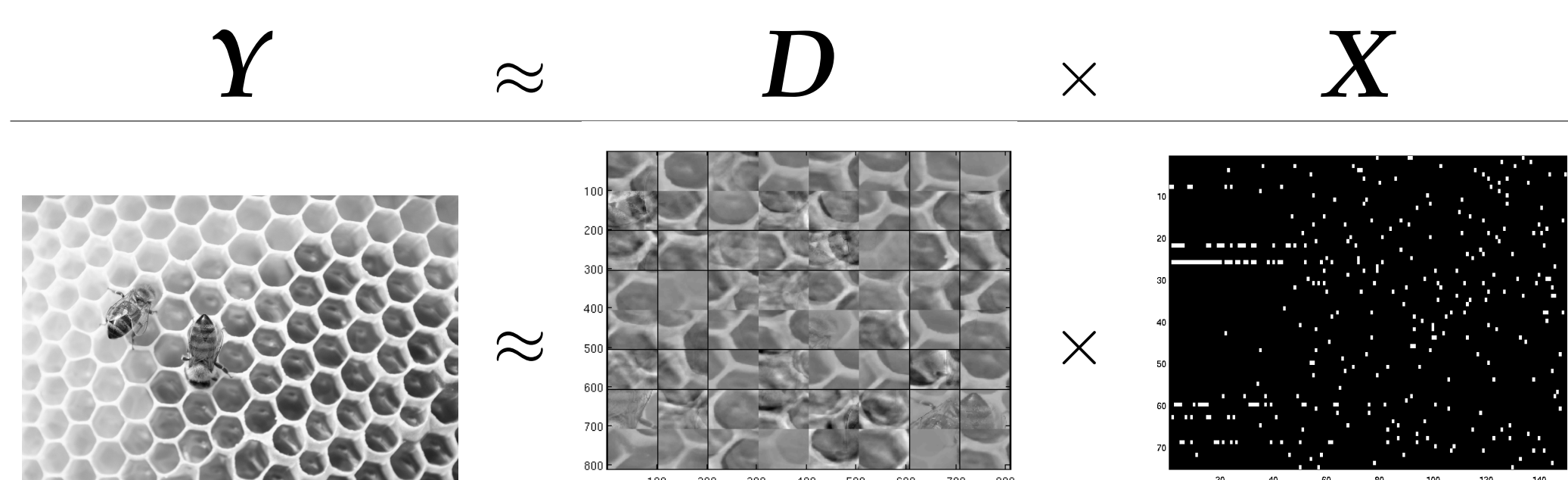
Anomalous or salient regions of data exist in a different subspace than the majority. We apply dictionary learning and sparse coding to detect anomalies in various types of data by exploiting this property.

## Dictionary Learning and Sparse Coding

Dictionary learning and sparse coding algorithms aim to solve:

$$\min_{D, X} \|Y - DX\|_2^2 + \lambda \|X\|_0 \quad (1)$$

where  $Y$  is the data,  $D$  is the dictionary that spans low-dimensional subspaces,  $X$  is the matrix of coefficients, and  $\lambda$  is the sparsity constraint.



The two-step iterative method fixes  $D$  to generate  $X$ , then generates  $D$  and repeats.

## Detection Methods

We use three main anomaly detection methods:

- **Residuals After Projection** A data point not well represented by sparse reconstruction will have a large residual. That is, if

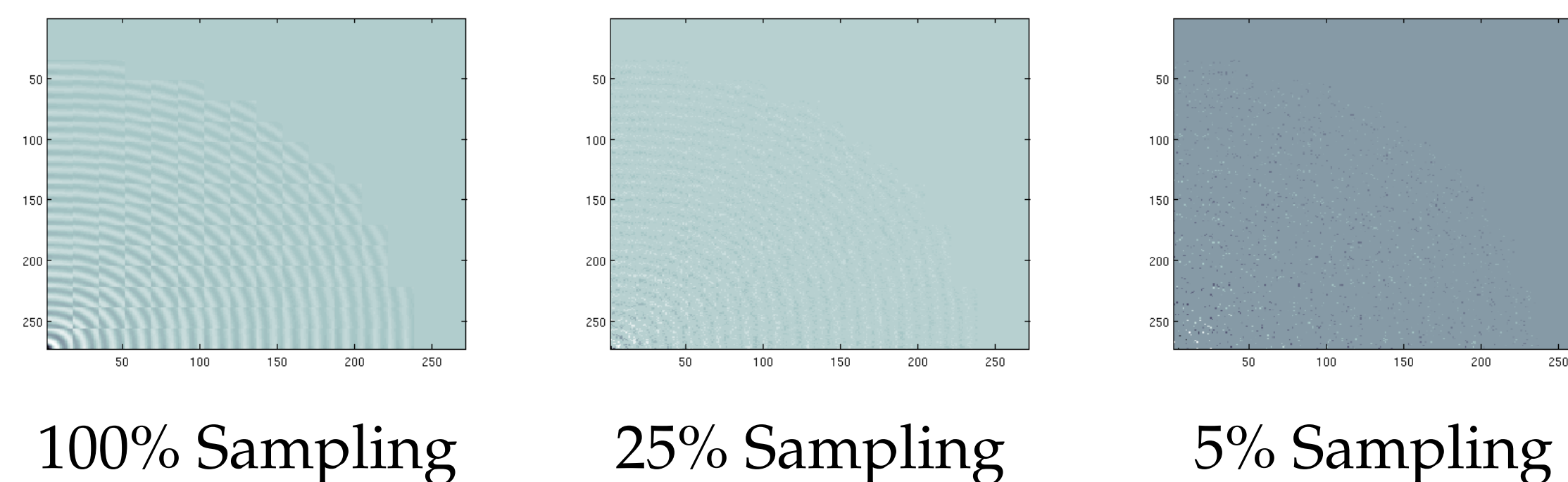
$$\|Y_i - DX_i\|_2^2 > \tau, \quad (2)$$

where  $\tau$  is an error threshold, then  $Y_i$  is an anomaly.

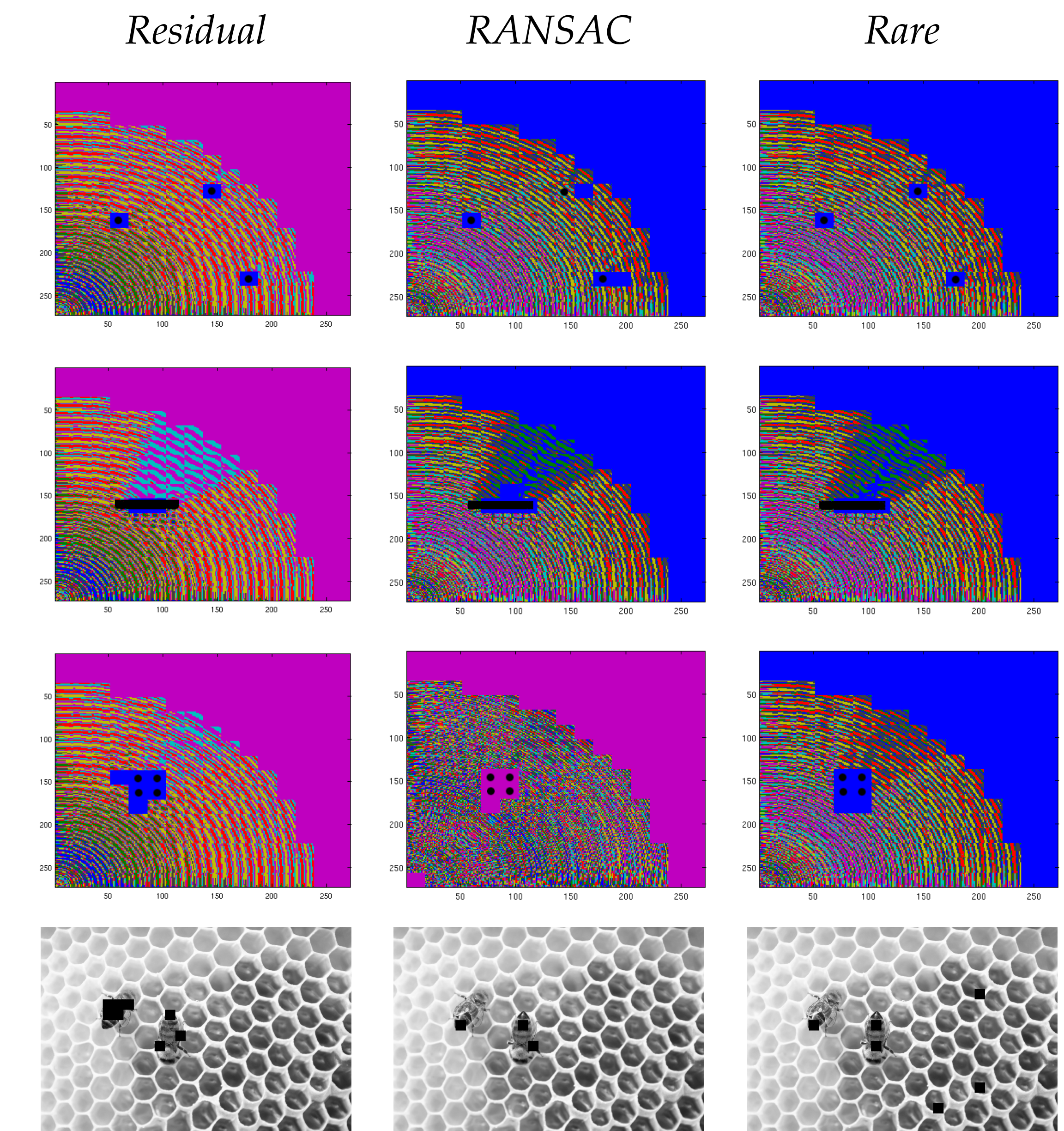
- **Influence and RANSAC** A data point that does not fit the model derived from a random sample of the data (itself not included) can be considered anomalous.
- **Unusual Dictionary Use** A data point that makes use of a 'rare' dictionary atom is anomalous where rare atoms are found by taking the row sums of absolute values in  $X \cdot X^T$ .

## Extensions

- **Choosing Dictionary Size and Numerical Dimension** 'Numerical rank' of data is the number of 'significant' singular values. This can be loosely extended to a 'sparse coding dimension,' as data is projected not onto one subspace but onto the union of subspaces. This rank informs choice of dictionary size.
- **Spatial Scoring** Directional orientation, as in time-oriented audio or spatially-oriented images, can be used to cross-validate predictions about anomalous behavior in a region.
- **Supervision** Using large training data sets to learn a dictionary reinforces classification of 'typical' and 'anomalous' data. This preprocessing is necessary when analyzing incomplete/undersampled data. Success at  $< 10\%$  sampling (Shannon-Nyquist rate  $\approx 2.5\%$ ).



## Results



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