

Using Generative Adversarial Networks to Reduce the Impact of Website Images

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initialize

Preflight

0.0 KB

2161 ms

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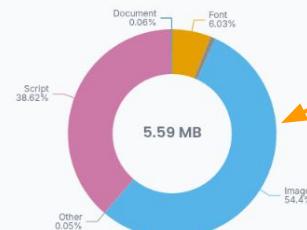
Script

40.7 KB

2271 ms

Resource Breakdown

Distribution of page resources by type and size, showing the composition of frontend assets



All Resources

Resource	Size
Image	3.04 MB
Script	2.16 MB
Font	345.08 KB
Fetch	44.49 KB
Stylesheet	3.6 KB
Document	3.19 KB
Other	2.88 KB



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Page Load Timeline

Synchronized view of CPU usage, color profiles, and network activity during page load



Compression



Bitmap

48 kB



Webp

5.4 kB



Webp
+
gzip

5.4 kB



$\frac{1}{4}$ Webp

<1 kB

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5.4 kB



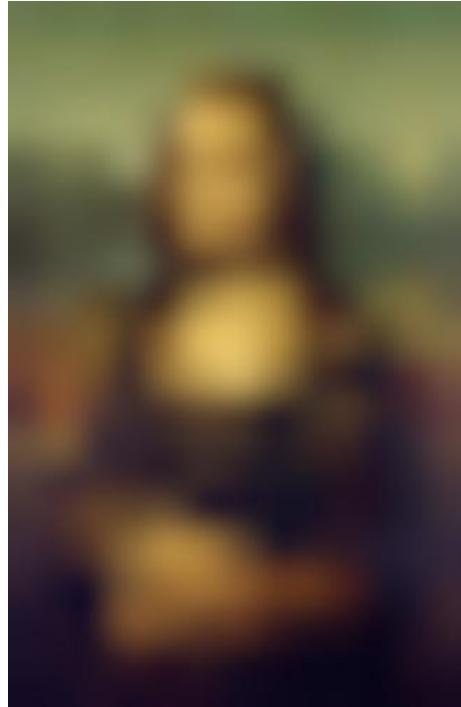
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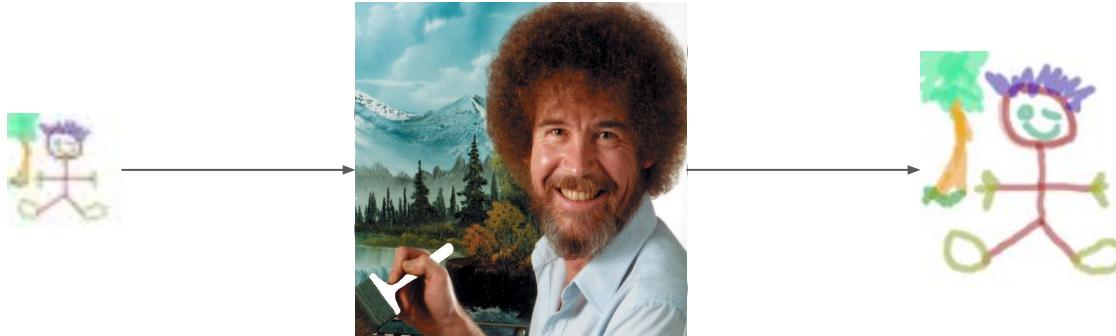
1/625th the amount of data!



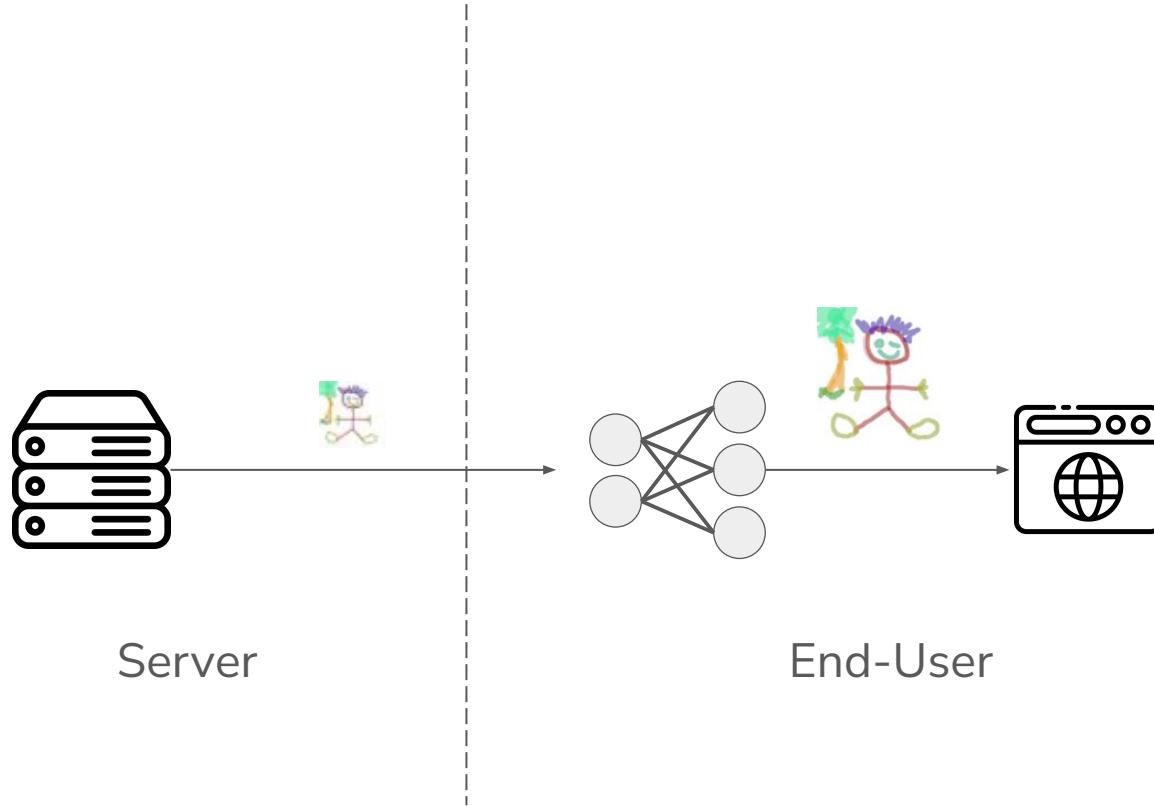
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Machines can do it too!



A Super Resolution Browser



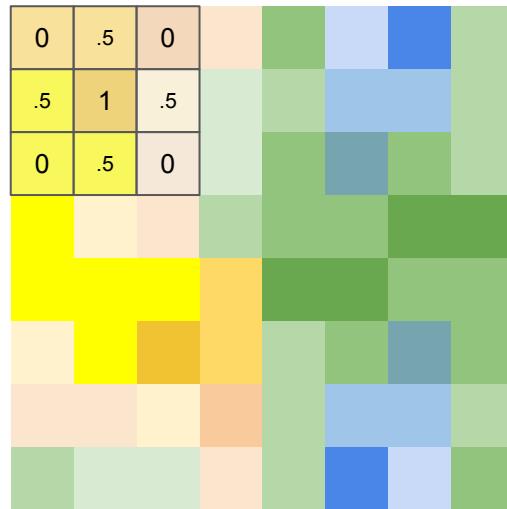
Transposed Convolutional Neural Network

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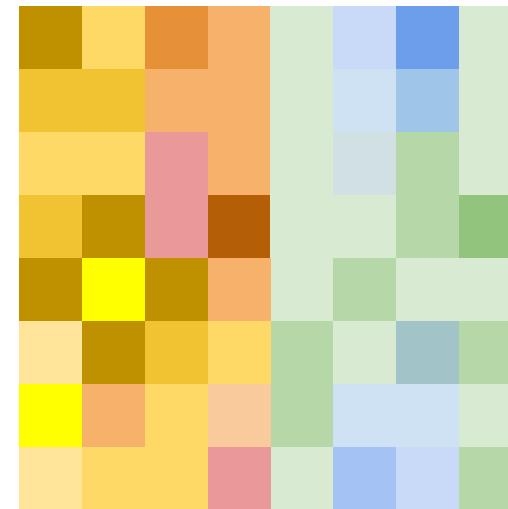
Convolutions

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Filter



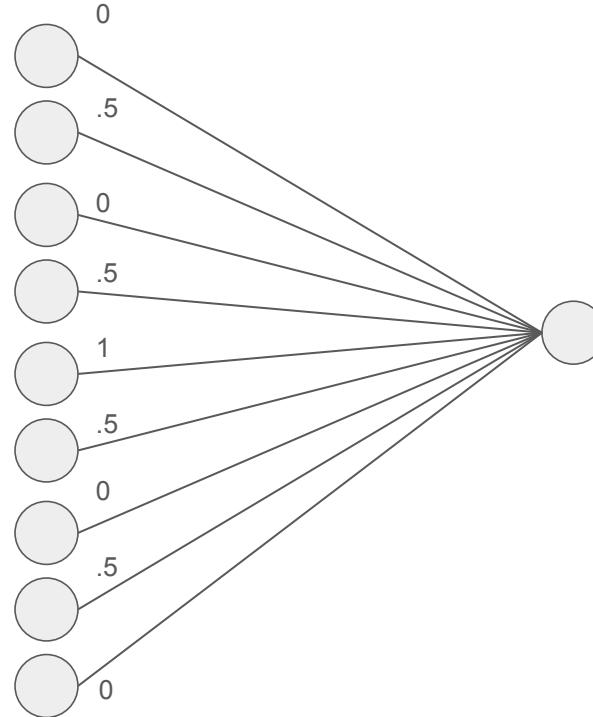
Pixel Space



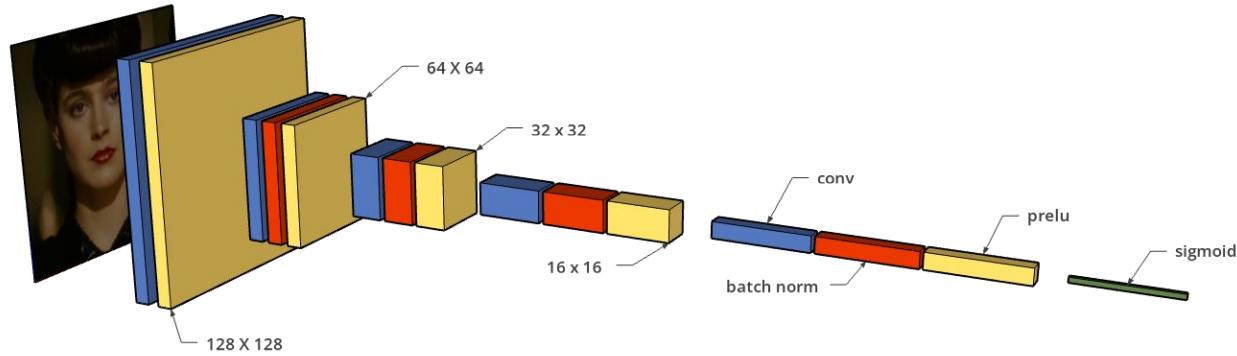
Feature Space

Convolutions

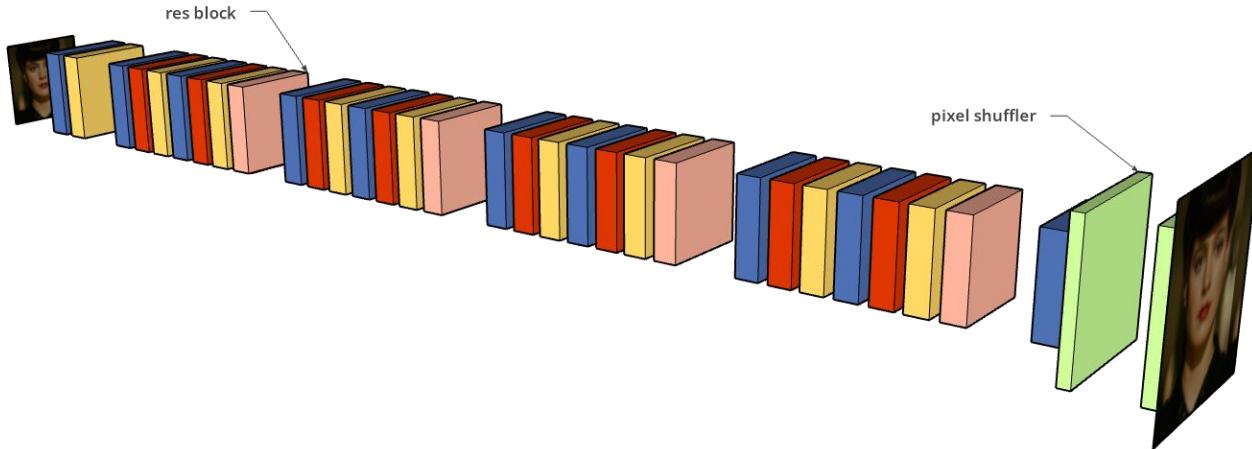
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Discriminator Network



Generator Network



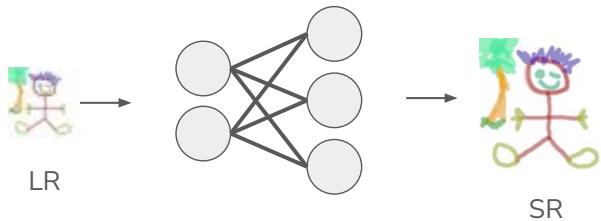
Generative Adversarial Networks

Artificial Neural Networks

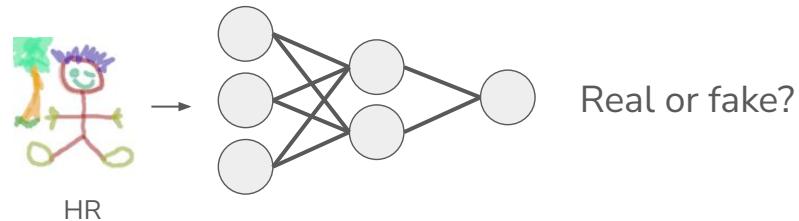


Generative Adversarial Networks

Generator

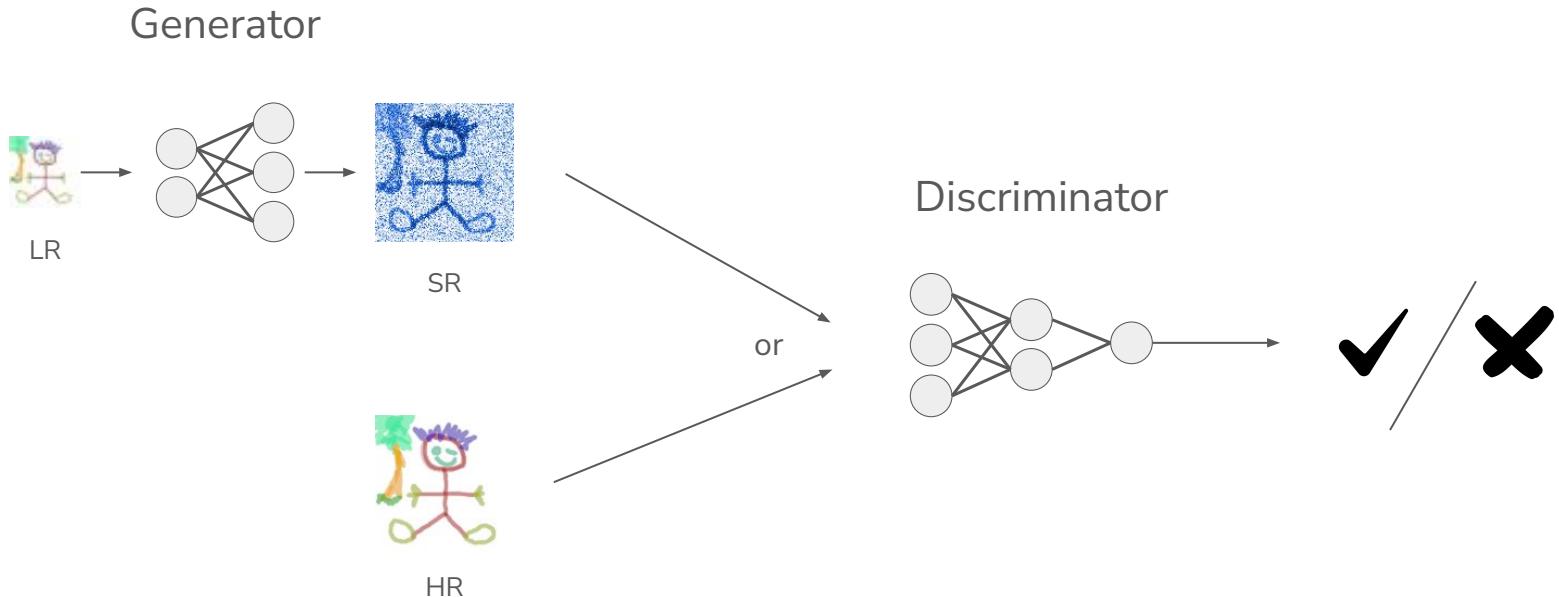


Discriminator



There's actually a third network
but that's complicated!!

Generative Adversarial Networks



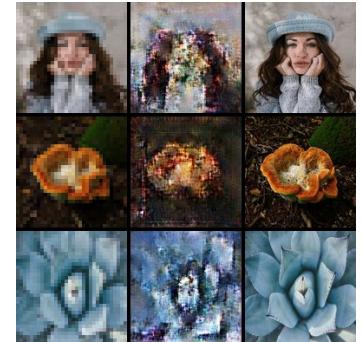
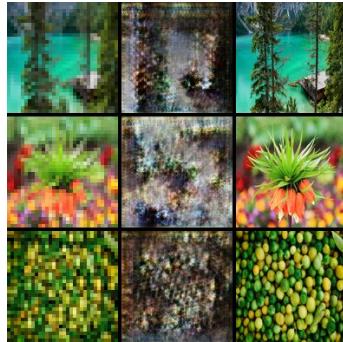
Dev & Training

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- Developed using Rust and Burn
- Dataset contained 3,450 images (DIV2K and Flickr2K)
- Trained on a single AMD Radeon RX 7600 (it took ages!)
- Trained over 20 epochs (~70,000 samples)

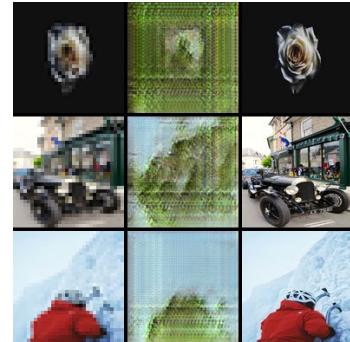
Training Results

Attempt 1



Training Results

Attempt 2



Training Results

Attempt 101

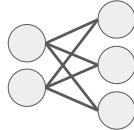


Now what?!

A Green(er) Web Browser



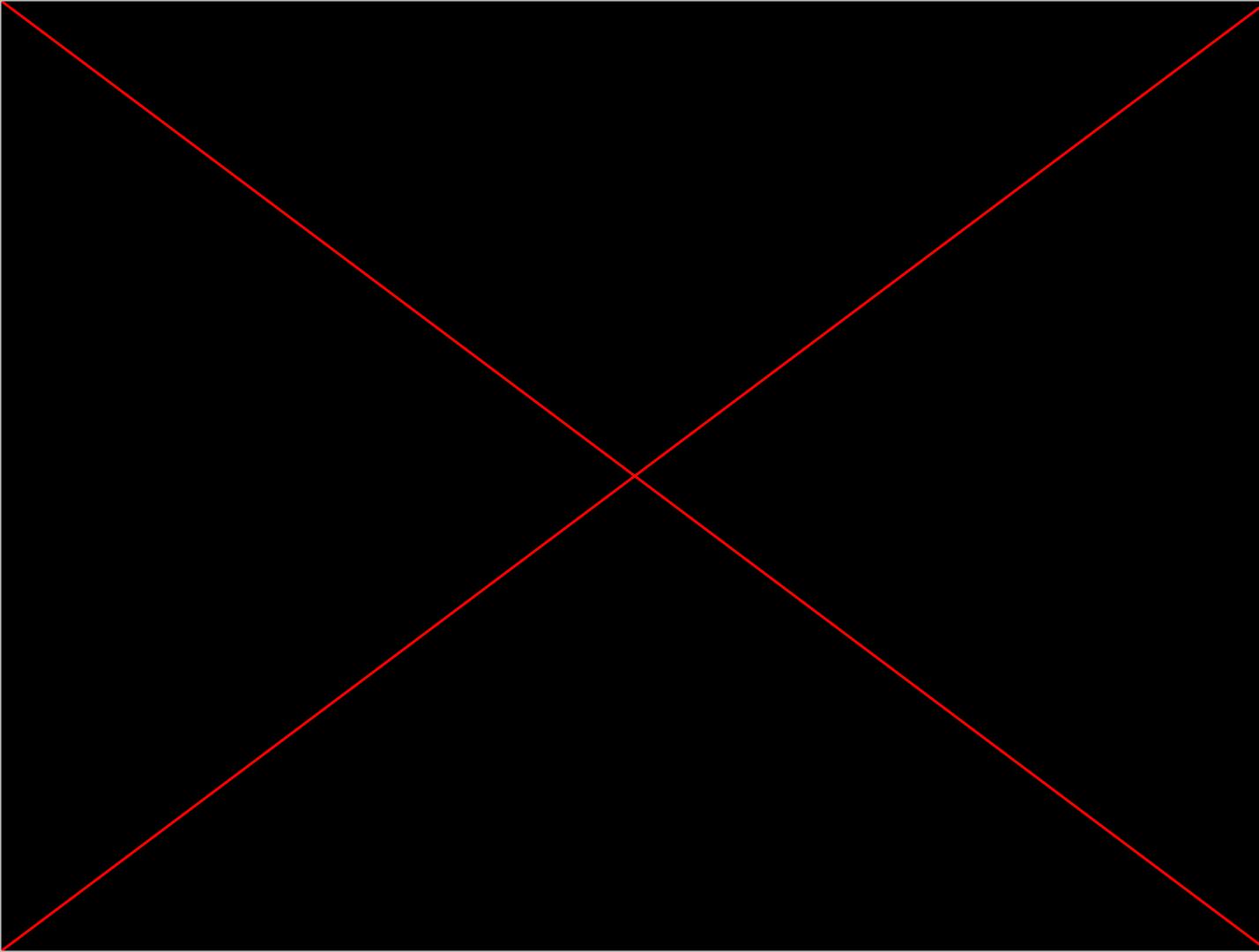
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Green Browser

- Open Source
- Made in Rust
- Experimental



Does it save energy?

Results

Inference: without any optimisation

CPU: AMD Ryzen 7 3800X

Avg utilisation: **28%**

Avg time per image: **0.13 secs**

Energy consumption: **1 mWh**

GPU: AMD Radeon RX 7600

Avg utilisation: **73%**

Avg time per image: **0.015 secs**

Energy consumption: **0.5 mWh**

Results

Data transfer saving

Avg high-res size: **35.7 KB**

Avg low-res size: **2.9 KB**

Avg reduction: **$35.7 - 2.9 = 32.8 \text{ KB}$**

Transfer energy intensity: **0.041 mWh/KB**

Energy saving: **$32.8 * 0.041 = \underline{1.34 \text{ mWh}}$**

Average Saving
25% - 63%