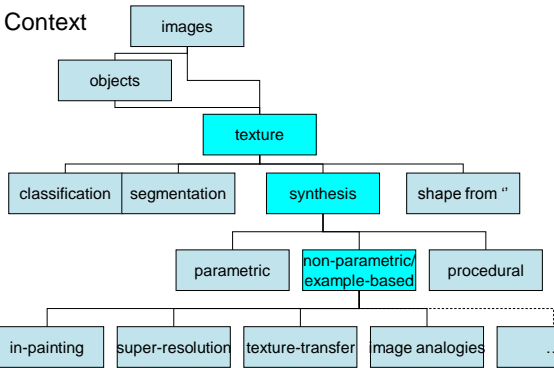


Texture Synthesis and Applications

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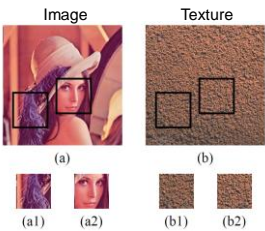
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What is texture?

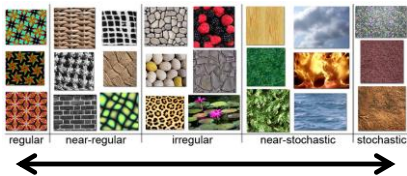
- If observed through a window it looks the same for every location (b), this is not the case for an image (a).
- Texture is:
 - Stationary
 - Repeating



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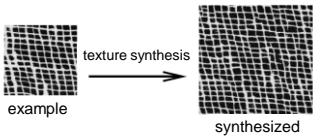
What is texture?



Main texture dimension,
regular/periodic/deterministic <-> stochastic/random

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Texture synthesis defined



We have an *example* patch and from it we want to synthesize a patch of arbitrary size, typically bigger, same appearance, enough variation and spatially consistent.

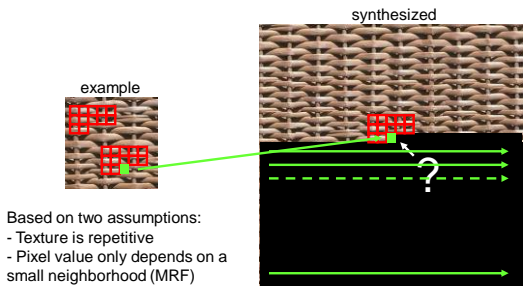
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Texture synthesis, two main approaches

- **Parametric** synthesis
 - Model the texture with a fixed number of parameters
 - Stochastic models
 - AR, MA, ARMA, modeling autocorrelation
 - Compact representation
 - Fast
 - Work well on stochastic/random textures not on regular textures
- **Non-parametric/example-based** synthesis (*this lecture*)
 - Synthesize directly from the example, no parameterization
 - Need full example for synthesis
 - Slow(er)
 - Works well on a wide range of texture given a large enough example

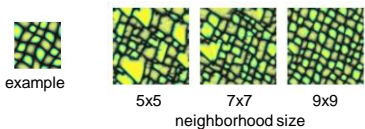
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Example-based texture synthesis, basic idea [Wei02]



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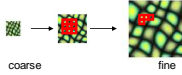
Texture synthesis, neighborhood size matters

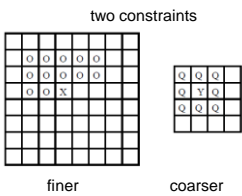


- Neighborhood size matters, too small and the algorithm is unable to capture large structure!
- However, a bigger neighborhood is more expensive, therefore, a multi-resolution variant is proposed.

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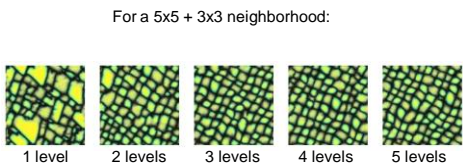
Texture synthesis, multi-resolution

- Synthesis in a *multi-resolution pyramid*.
- Output pyramid is initialized with histogram equalized noise.
- Multi-resolution neighborhood – two constraints
- Large scale structure is captured better.



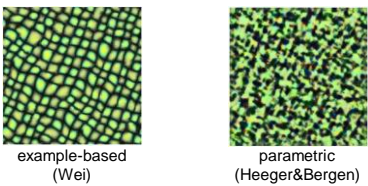
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Multi-resolution results



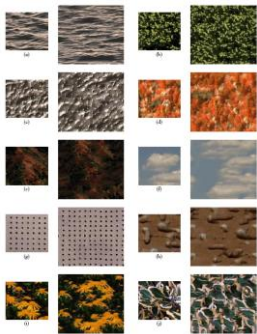
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Comparison with parametric texture synthesis



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Multi-resolution synthesis results



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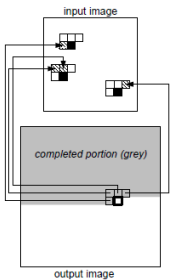
Texture synthesis, variations, optimizations

- Coherency search
- Patch based
 - Not pixel-by-pixel but synthesis on patch basis
 - Fixed size
 - Graph-cut, variable size
- Vector Quantization, Tree look-up, Approximate nearest neighbor search
 - Reduce the search space, accelerate the search
- Texture transfer

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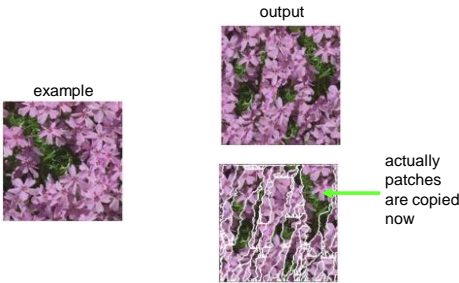
Texture synthesis optimization, coherency search

- Full-search is expensive
- We test only a *few candidates*, indicated by shifted source locations of synthesized neighborhood
- Also test a random candidate to prevent getting stuck
- 3DRS like acceleration



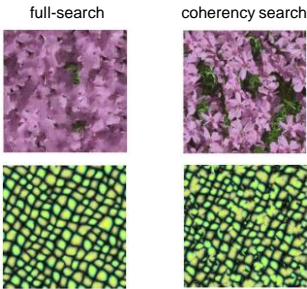
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Coherency search, result



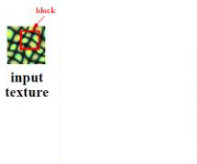
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Coherency search, compared to full-search



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Patch-based synthesis, fixed size



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Patch-based synthesis, fixed size



Patch based synthesis, graph-cut

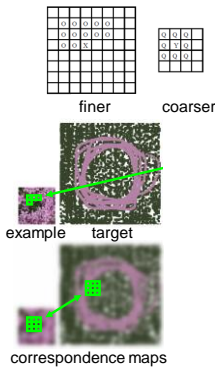
[graph-cut movie](#)

original movie source:
<http://www.cc.gatech.edu/cpl/projects/graphcuttextures/>

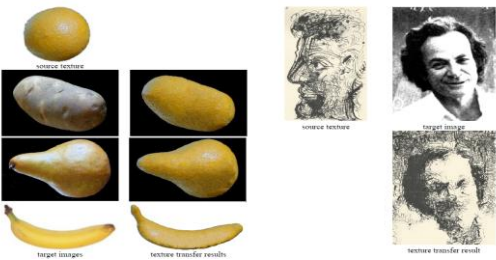
Kwatra 2003

Texture transfer

- Remember the multi-resolution synthesis where a second constraint was the previous coarser scale.
- Another second constraint can be defined.
- A **target** image.
- This image *steers* the synthesis process.



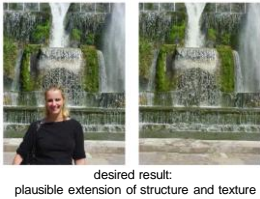
Texture transfer/constrained texture synthesis



Applications

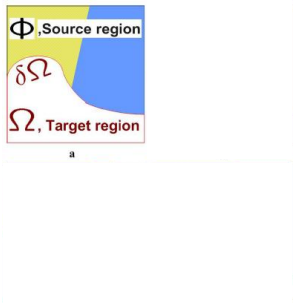
- Inpainting
 - Region filling and object removal by exemplar-based image inpainting [Criminisi04]
- Image analogies
 - Image analogies [Herzmann01]
- Retexturing
 - Detail preserving shape deformation [Fang07]

Inpainting



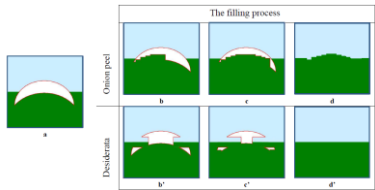
- Two main approaches:
 - Texture synthesis works well for texture, not for structures
 - Techniques like diffusion work well for structure, not for texture

Inpainting with texture synthesis



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Inpainting, order is important

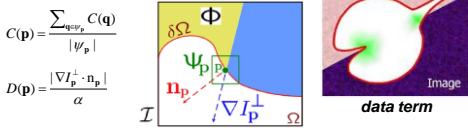


- We can use texture synthesis, however:
 - It turns out that the *order* of the synthesis is important
 - We should first extent structures and confident areas

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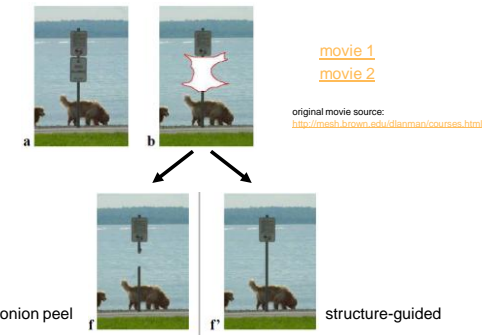
Inpainting

- Give priority based on:
 - Local border shape: **confidence term**
 - Local structure: **data term**
- Priority $P(p) = C(p)D(p)$



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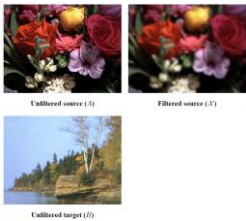
Inpainting, examples



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Image analogies

- Using example set A and A' and input image B we synthesize B' such that:
 - B':B as A':A
- Uses
 - multi-resolution
 - coherency search
 - 'full-search'
 - texture transfer

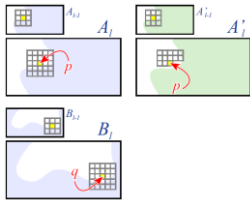


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Image analogies

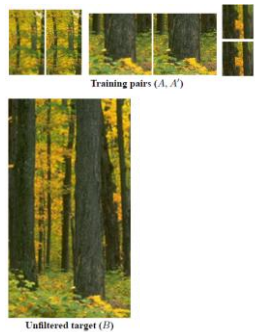
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function CreateImageAnalogy(A, A', B):
    Compute Gaussian pyramids for A, A', B
    for each level l, from coarse to fine, do:
        for each pixel q in B_l, in scan-line order, do:
            p ← BestMatch(A, A', B, B', s, l, q)
            B_l(q) ← A_l(p)
        return B_l

function BestMatch(A, A', B, B', s, l, q):
    p_app ← BestApproximateMatch(A, A', B, B', l, q)
    p_coh ← BestCoherenceMatch(A, A', B, B', s, l, q)
    d_app ← |F(p_app) - F(q)|^2
    d_coh ← |F(p_coh) - F(q)|^2
    if d_coh < d_app * \alpha, then
        return p_coh
    else
        return p_app
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Image analogies results, super-resolution



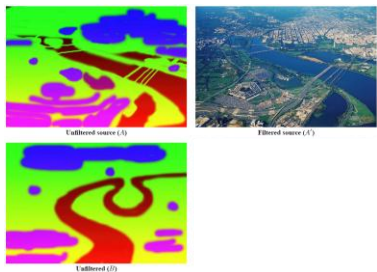
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Image analogies results, watercolor



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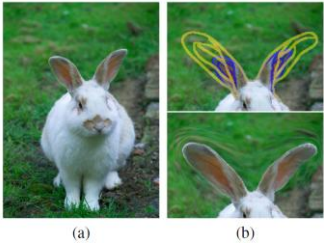
Image analogies results, texture by numbers



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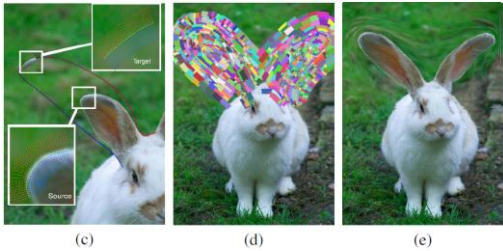
Retexturing

- Retexturing for image deformation
- Deformation can stretch/compress textures, retexturing is needed!



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Retexturing



- Deformed (target) areas are retextured from the source locations using a patch-based technique
- The retextured image contains no texture deformations

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Retexturing, more results



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What's more?

- Video textures
 - By including the temporal domain
- Super-resolution
 - By using relevant high-resolution texture examples
- Compression
 - E.g. the work of Stijn de Waele, modeling texture for compression
- Image editing, retouching
- Texture compression for rendering on graphics cards
- 3D, looking behind objects

- Video epitomes, inverse texture synthesis

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Concluding....

- Two main approaches to texture synthesis, of which example-based/non-parametric is far more popular

- Simple basic technique

- Many variations, differing in quality and speed

- Many applications

- Most applications consider images instead of videos

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