

Modèles statistiques et fréquentiels pour l'image - Master ID3D

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- Practical work (“TP”): in python with numpy and pillow.

Course schedule

- September 4th: Markovian model and texture synthesis.
- September 9th: Classification Methods and dimensionality reduction. (+TP)
- September 11th: Choosing a Model, Regression Problems, Considerations on Norms.
- September 16th: Image histograms and histogram specification, half-toning (+TP)
- September 18th: Patch-based image processing and editing (+TP)
- Exam on November 6th (to be confirmed)

Project and evaluation

The assignment is available on my webpage. Evaluation will be done through one-to-one interviews.

- September 9th - 1h30 session
- September 16th - 1h30 session
- September 18th - 2h session



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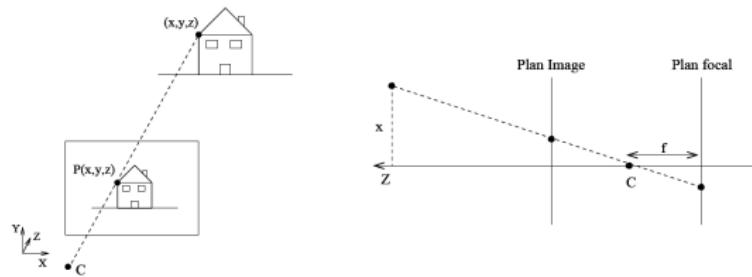
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"The Eiffel tower" "A blue sky" ...

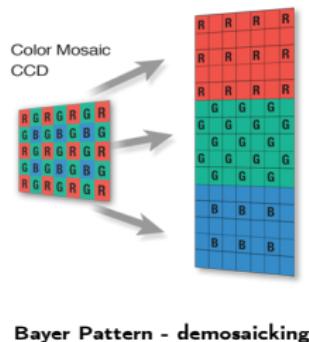
Acquisition of digital images

- Projection of a 3D scene on a 2D plane
- Numerically: only a table of numbers
- Black and white: $I : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$; $I(x, y) = i$
- Color: $I : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$; $I(x, y) = (r, g, b)$



Acquisition of digital images

- CCD Matrix (*Charged Coupled Device*): integrates the quantity of photons arriving at each cell
- Each pixel integrates a given color.



What we'll see in this course

- Model an image as a *distribution* of colors
- Detect objects by *model regression* (least squares...)
- *Classify* objects by their similarities
- *Compare* textures, images

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Grayscale image

Each pixel encodes a **light intensity**.

For an 8-bits image, a pixel can take 256 integer values ($0 \leq I(p) \leq 255$).

0 encodes a **black** pixel, 128 encodes a **gray** pixel and 255 for a **white** pixel.



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The three channels are highly correlated..

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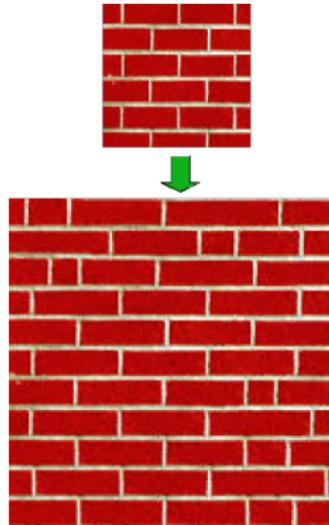
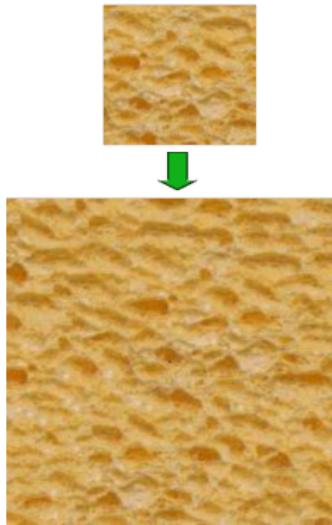
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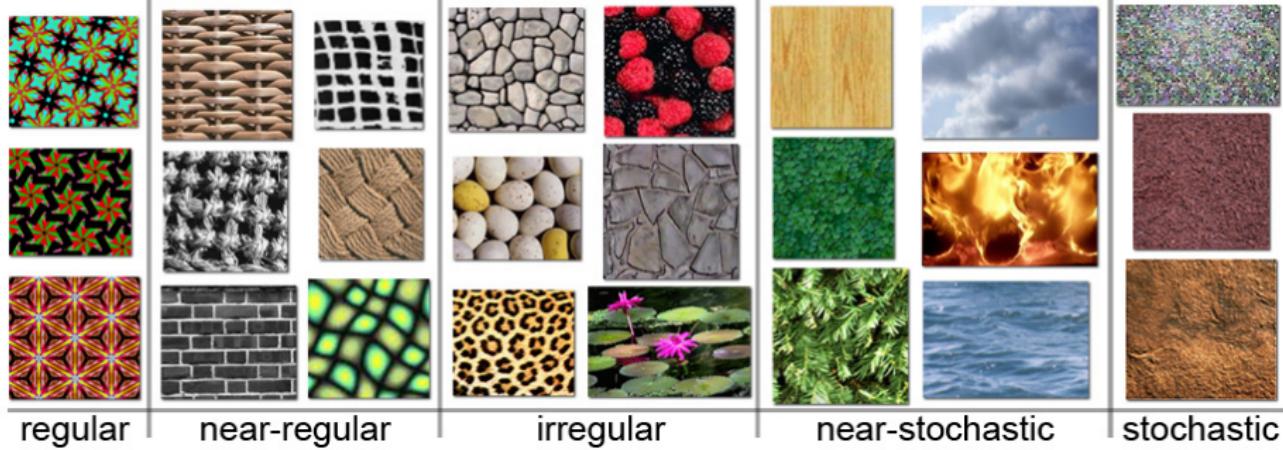


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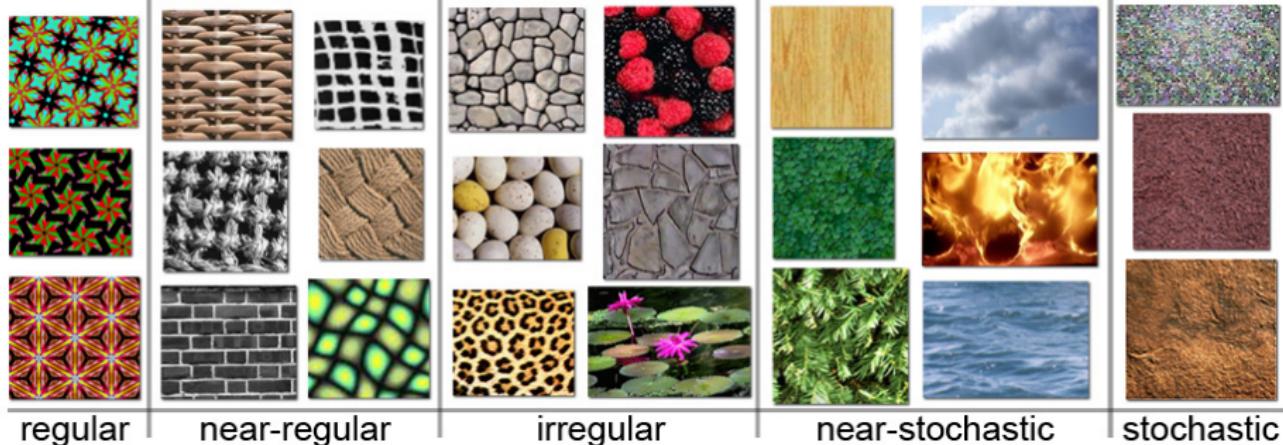


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- Copy-pasting an image patch would work for regular textures but not for stochastic textures.
- Drawing pixel values from a probability distribution would work for stochastic textures but not for regular ones.

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This is a first order Markov Chain

Wheather Markov Chain

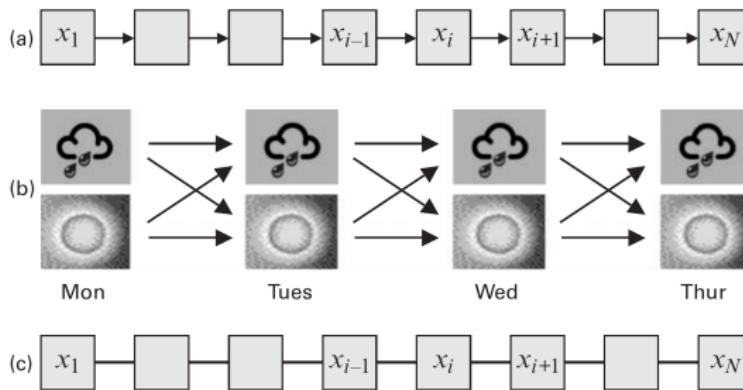


Image from Blake et al. 2011

Transition probabilities

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The transition probability matrix between two states is

$$P(X_i = a | X_{i-1} = b) = M_i(a, b)$$

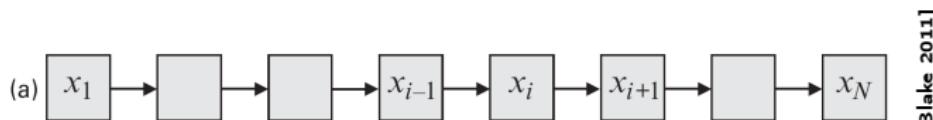
The Markov Chain is said to be stationary if the transition probabilities are independent of i , i.e.

$$M_i(a, b) = M_{i-1}(a, b) = M(a, b)$$

- One can devise Markov chains with higher orders (dependencies on $i - 1$, $i - 2 \dots$): In that case, the value of X_i depends on a limited number of previous states X_{i-1}, \dots, X_{i-n} .

Markov chains as graphs

- The chain can be represented as a graph:
 - ▶ Each node corresponds to one X_i ,
 - ▶ An edge exists between X_i and X_{i-1} to model $P(X_i|X_{i-1})$.



A graph corresponding to a markov chain of order 1

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- Consequence: $P((x_i)_i) = \prod_{(i,j) \in \mathcal{E}} F_{i,j}(x_i, x_j)$

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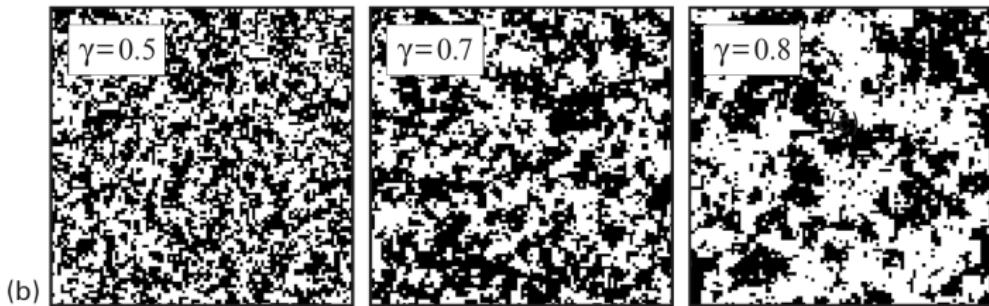
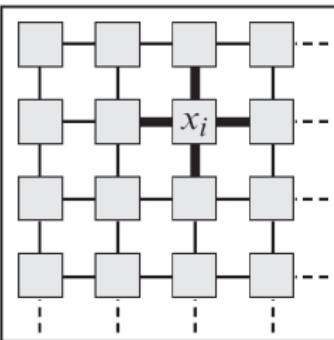
- From now on we will assume that the distribution is positive (in that case local Markov property \Leftrightarrow global Markov property)

Energy

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Since P is a positive distribution, we can rather rely on an energy $E(x)$ such that $P(x) = \prod_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \phi(x) = \exp(-E(x))$ and $E(x) = \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \Phi_c(x_c)$.

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Sampling from a MRF

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- The size of the neighborhood encodes how stochastic the texture is.

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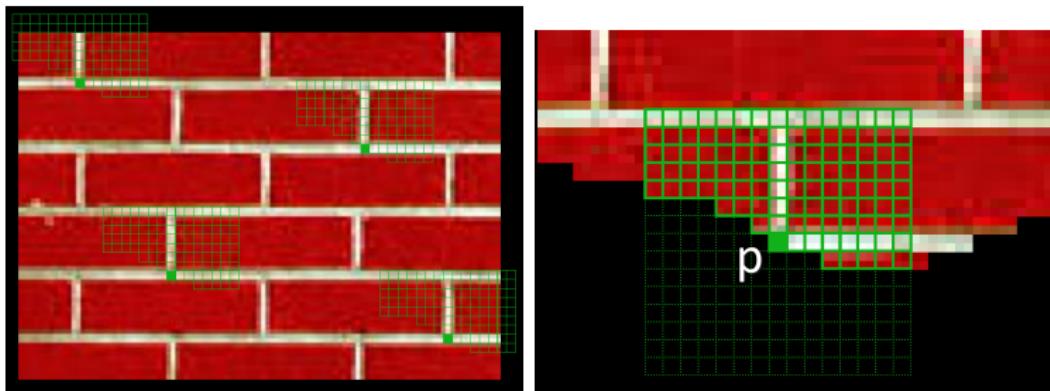
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Finally

p is taken to be the average of the values of all center pixels in $\Omega'(p)$ (variation: the value of one uniformly drawn patch in $\Omega'(p)$).

Texture Synthesis Algorithm

- Assuming Markov property, compute $P(p|N(p))$
 - ▶ Search the input image for all similar neighborhoods $\Omega'(p)$
 - ▶ Pick one match at random



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- ② The new pixel p to fill is randomly picked among the ones that have the larger number of *filled* neighbors in their neighborhood.

Partial distance

Let $w(p) \in I$ and $w'(p') \in I_{smp}$ be two neighborhoods partially filled. \tilde{N} is the set of all v such that $I(p+v)$ and $I_{smp}(p'+v)$ are defined. The distance between w and w' is

$$d(w, w') = \frac{\sum_{v \in \tilde{N}} \|I(p+v) - I_{smp}(p'+v)\|_2^2 G_\sigma(\|v\|)}{\sum_{v \in \tilde{N}} G_\sigma(\|v\|)}$$

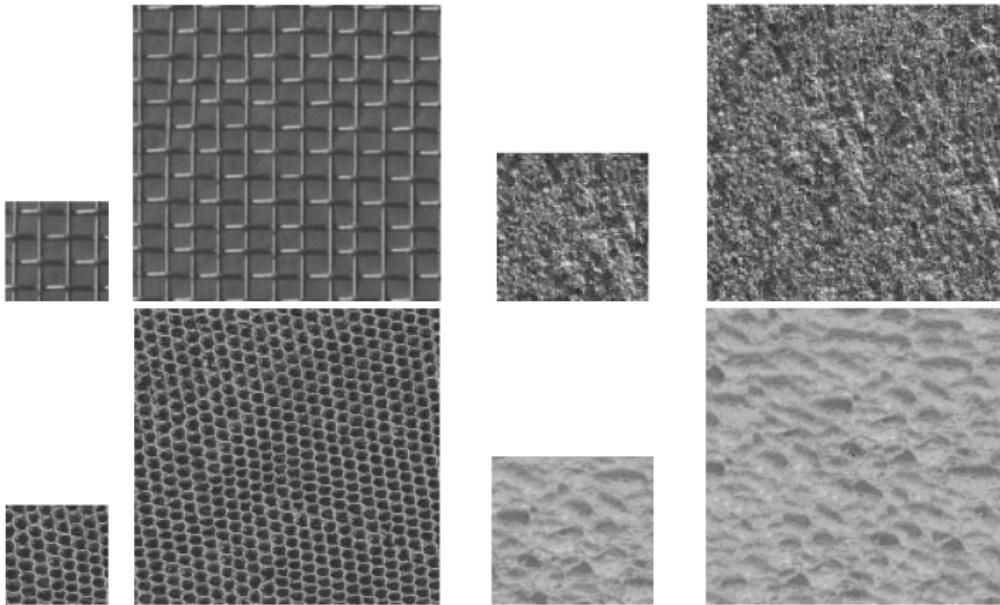
with G_σ a centered Gaussian with standard deviation σ .

Full Algorithm [Efros Leung 1999]

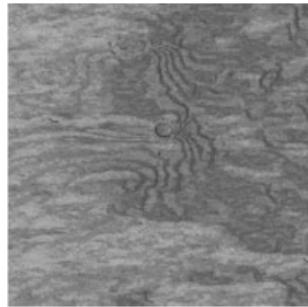
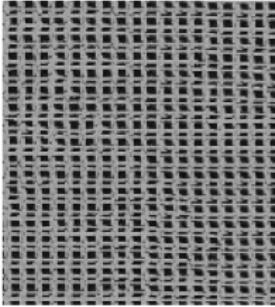
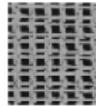
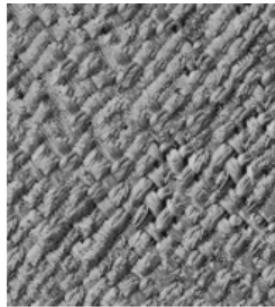
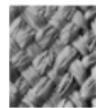
Input: image I_{smp} , output size, neighborhood size,

- ① Initialize with $\ell \times \ell$ random seed of I_{smp}
- ② While output I not filled
 - ① Pick a pixel p not yet filled with a maximal number of filled neighbors
 - ② Compute the distance of $w(p)$ to all patches of input I_{smp}
 - ③ Build $\Omega'(p)$
 - ④ Pick randomly one of the similar neighborhood $w(p')$ in $\Omega'(p)$
 - ⑤ Set $I(p) = I_{smp}(p')$ (= Fill p with central value)

Results



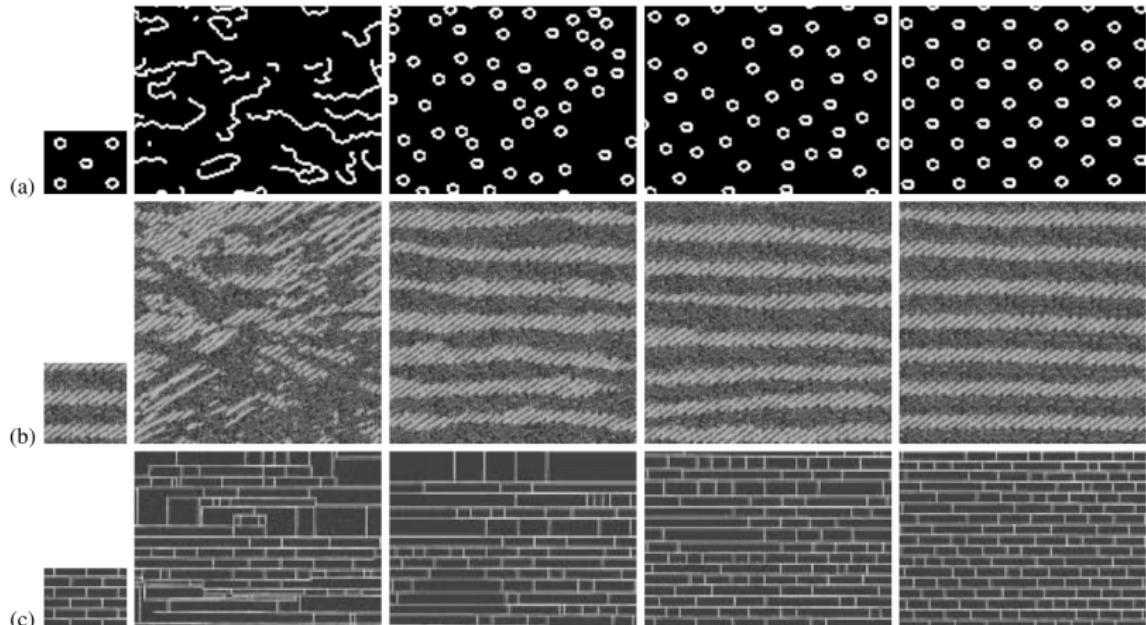
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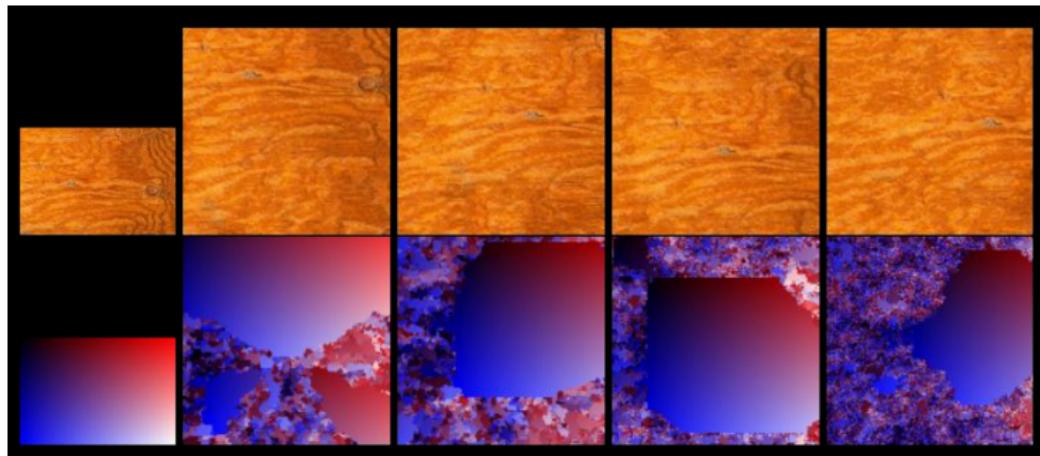
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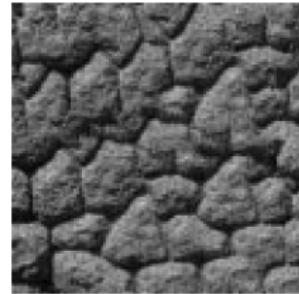
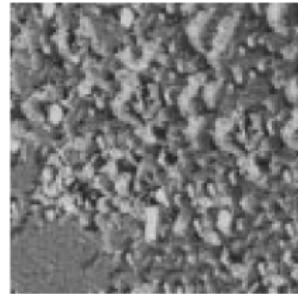
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Varying epsilon ε



$$\varepsilon = 0.05, 0.1, 0.2, 0.5$$

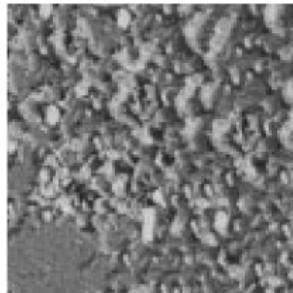
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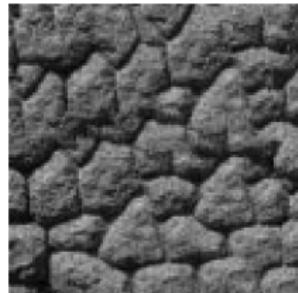
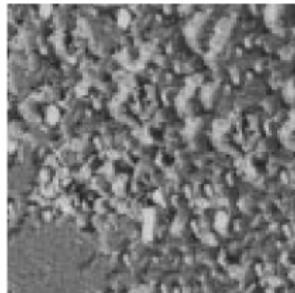
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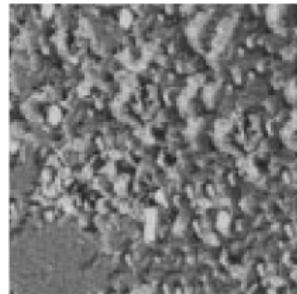
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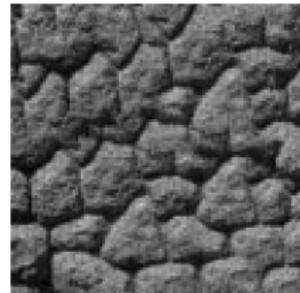
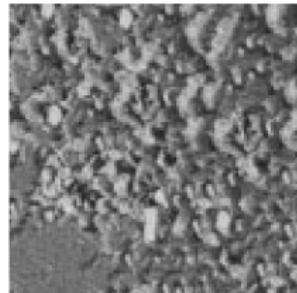


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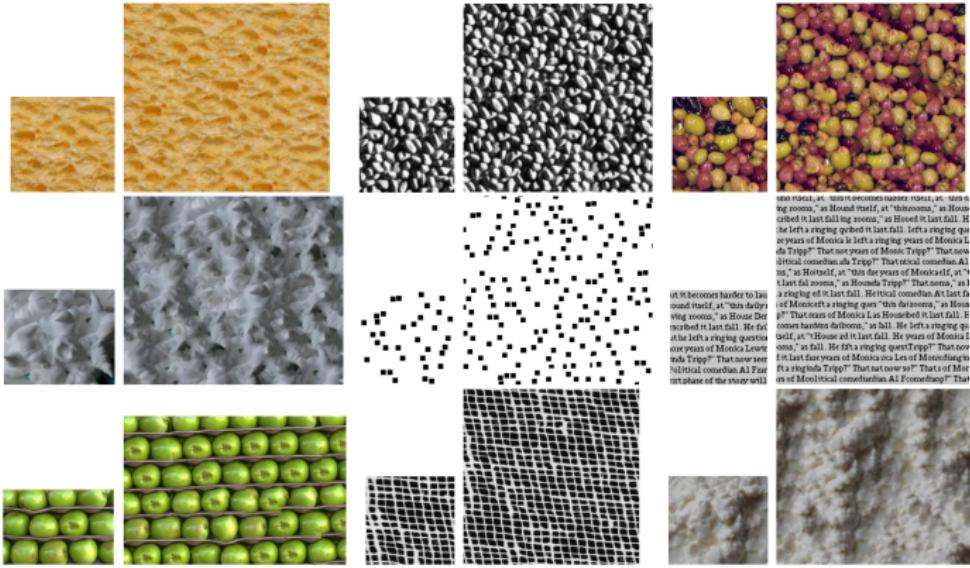
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Image Quilting [Efros Freeman 2001]

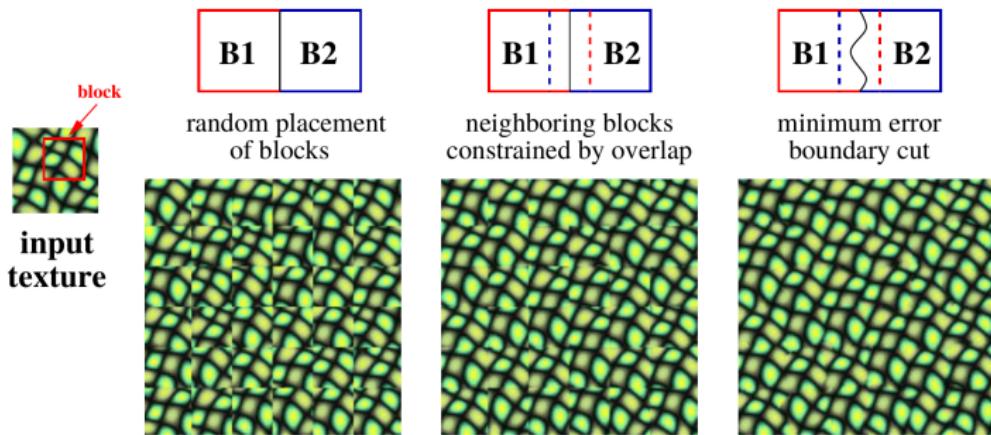
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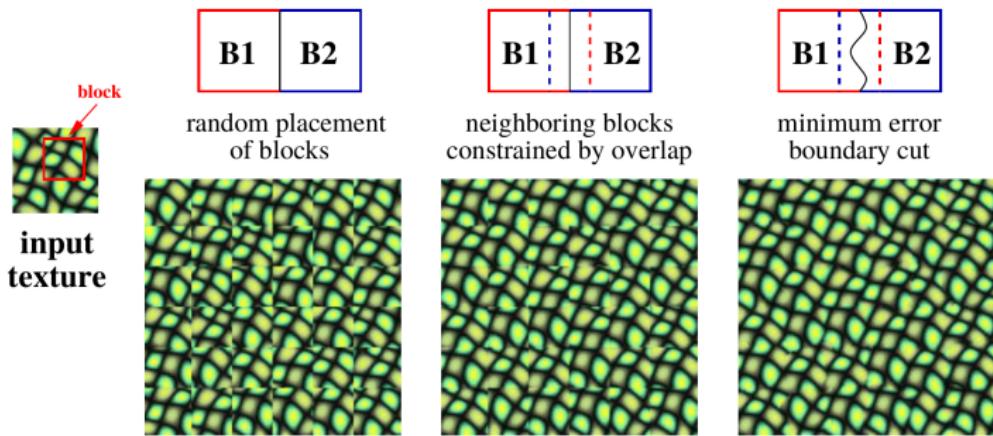
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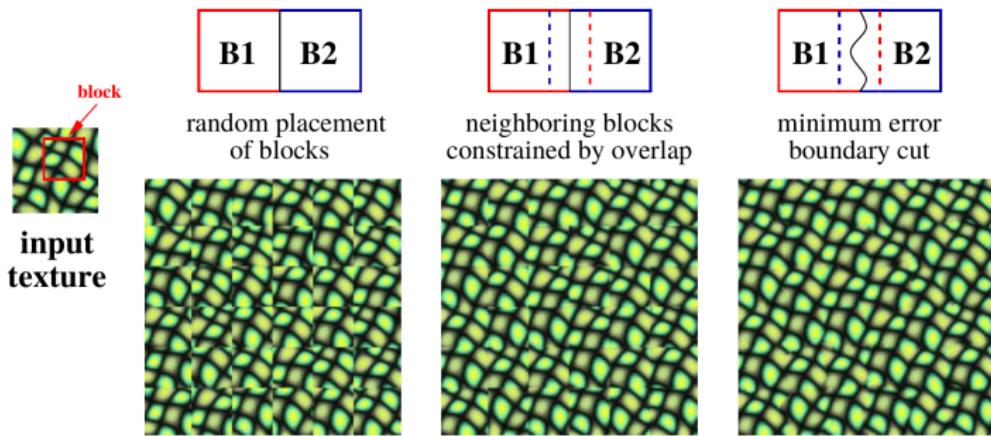
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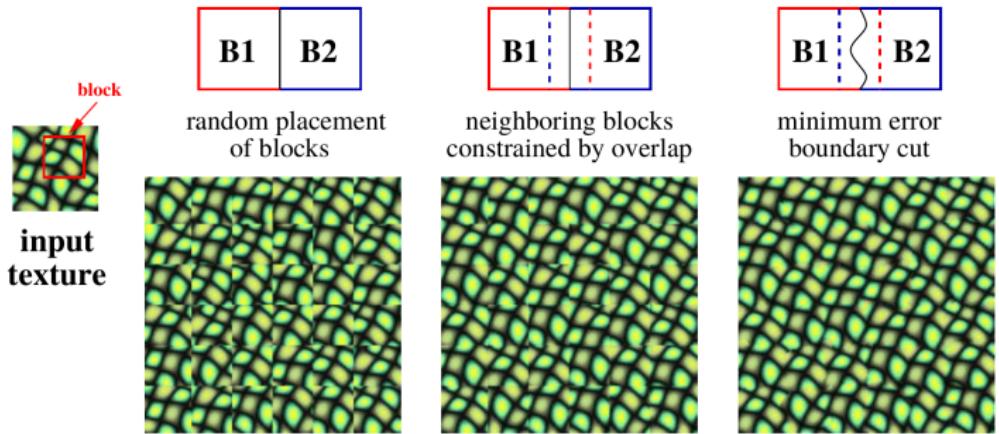
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Overlapping criterion

- When a set of patches are placed, the next one should fit the set of already pasted patches
- The measure is similar to the partial distance as before.

Overlap error

Let B_1 and B_2 be two overlapping blocks, with overlaps B_1^{ov} and B_2^{ov} . The error image is then $e = \|B_1^{ov} - B_2^{ov}\|_2^2$ (e has the size of the overlap).

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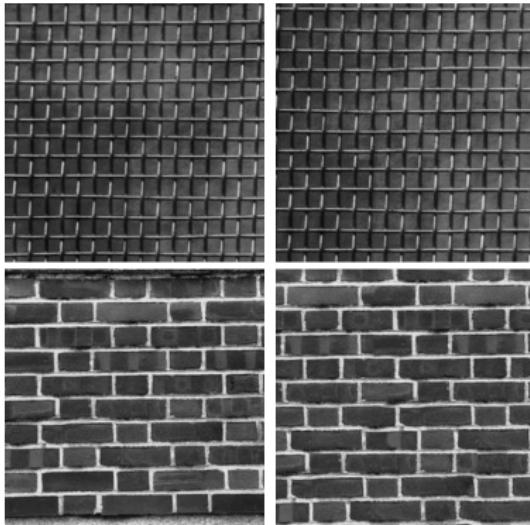
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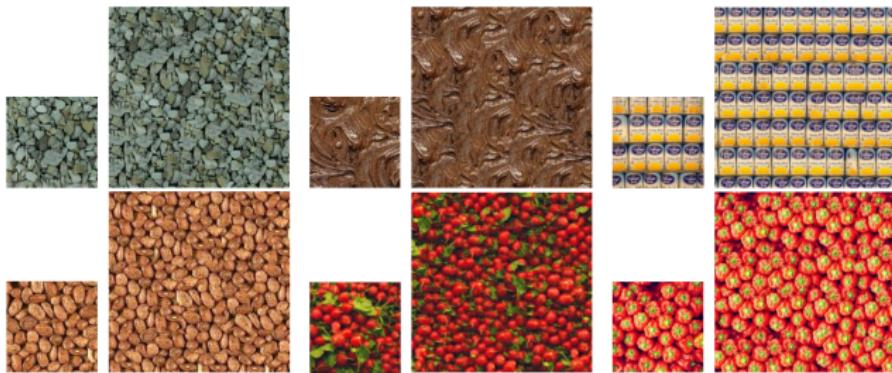


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Problem Statement [Boykov Jolly 2001]

Given an image I , we look for a label A_p for each pixel p of an image. A_p can take values 0 or 1. There are two special sets of pixels O and B containing pixels that we know belong to class O or class B

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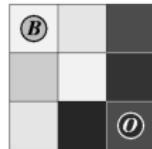
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Equivalence to a min cut problem

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The minimum of the segmentation energy is obtained by finding the minimum cost cut on graph G separating S from T

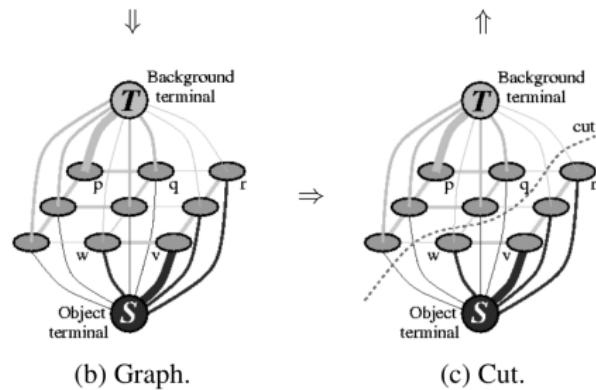
Toy example



(a) Image with seeds.



(d) Segmentation results.



- Some hard constraints are created using seeds $p \in O$ or $p \in B$

Proof

Lemma

The minimum cut \hat{C} on graph G is feasible ie

- \hat{C} severs exactly one t-link for each p (either $p - S$ or $p - T$)
 - if $(p, q) \in \hat{C}$, then one of them is linked to S and the other is linked to T after the cut
 - if $p \in O$, then $(p, T) \in \hat{C}$
 - if $p \in B$, then $(p, S) \in \hat{C}$
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- Proof: Bear in mind that \hat{C} is minimal.

Link with the segmentation

Correspondence

Any feasible cut C corresponds to a segmentation $A(C)$ such that:

$$A_p(C) = \begin{cases} obj & \text{if } (p, T) \in C \\ bkg & \text{if } (p, S) \in C \end{cases}$$

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How do we compute the log-likelihoods?

MRF formulation

The sets O and B give histograms of pixel values for the object and background yielding in turn $P(I_p|O)$ and $P(I_p|B)$

Result



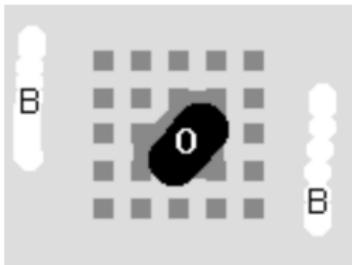
(a) Original image



(b) Result for $\lambda = 7-43$



(c) Result for $\lambda = 0$



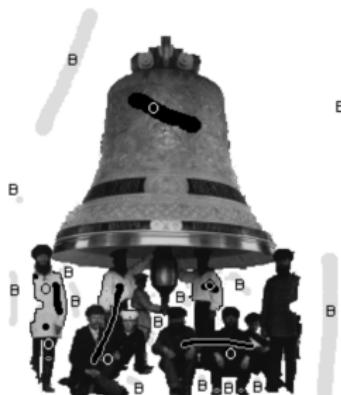
(d) Result for $\lambda = 60$

[Boykov and Jolly 2001]

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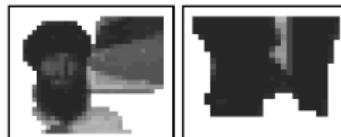
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(c) Details of segmentation
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(d) Details of segmentation
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Texture Synthesis using Graph Cuts



Kwatra et al. 2004

Principle

Idea

Copy irregularly shaped patches on the image and arrange the boundaries between the copied patches

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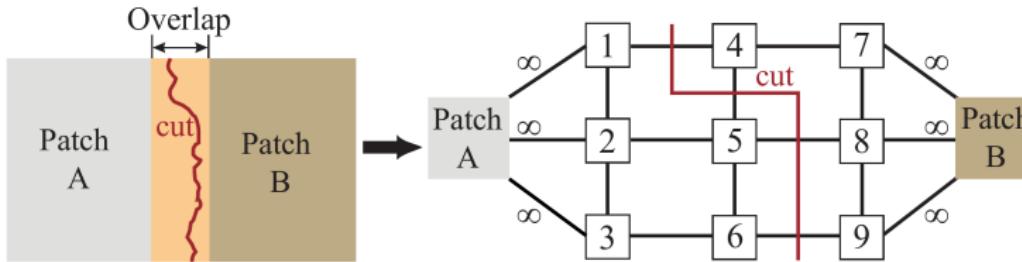
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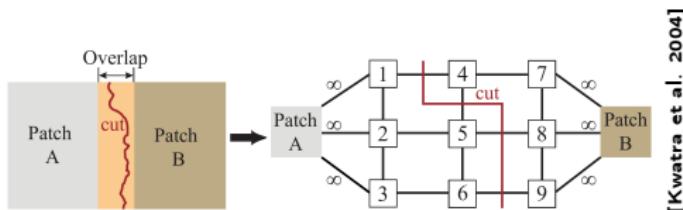
s and t two adjacent pixel positions in two copied patches overlap region. $A(s)$ and $B(s)$ pixel colors at s in the two patches. *Matching quality cost* M between s and t :

$$M(s, t, A, B) = \|A(s) - B(s)\| + \|A(t) - B(t)\|$$



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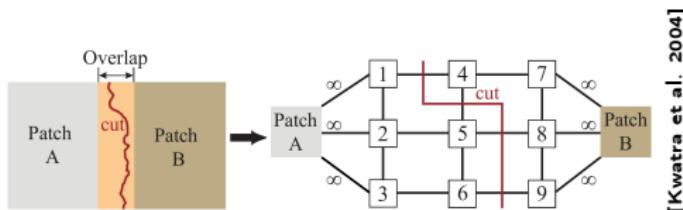
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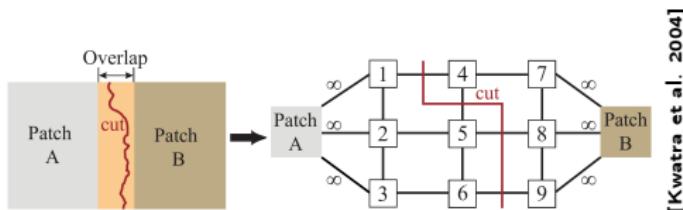
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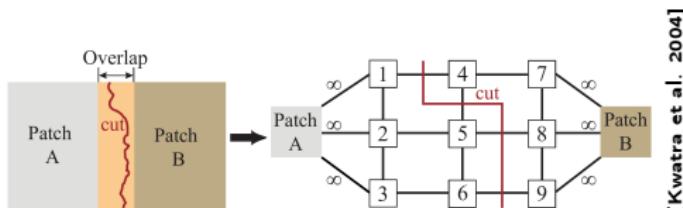
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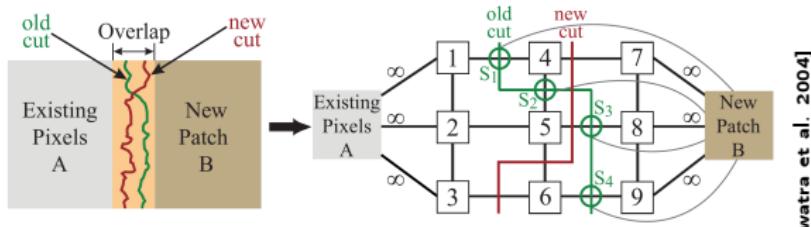
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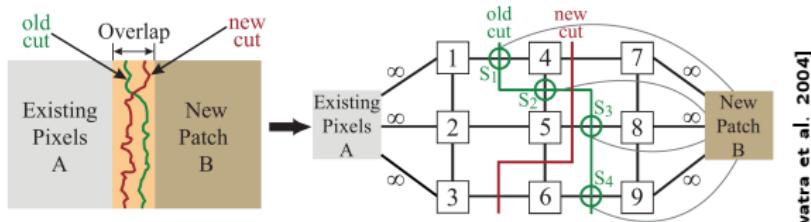
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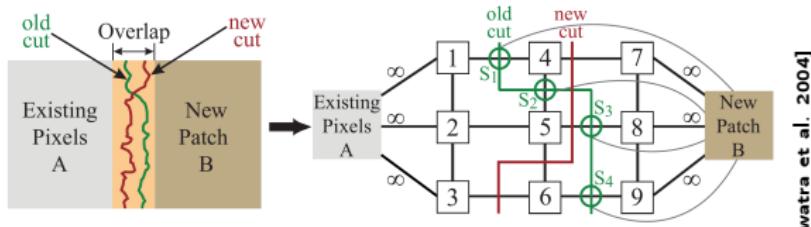
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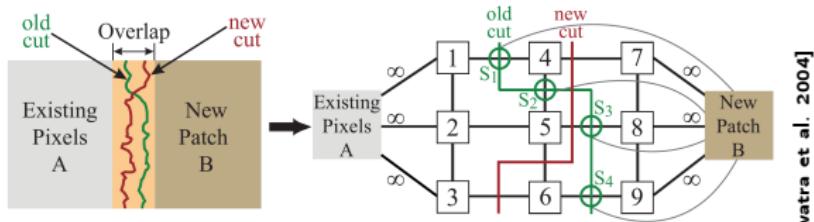
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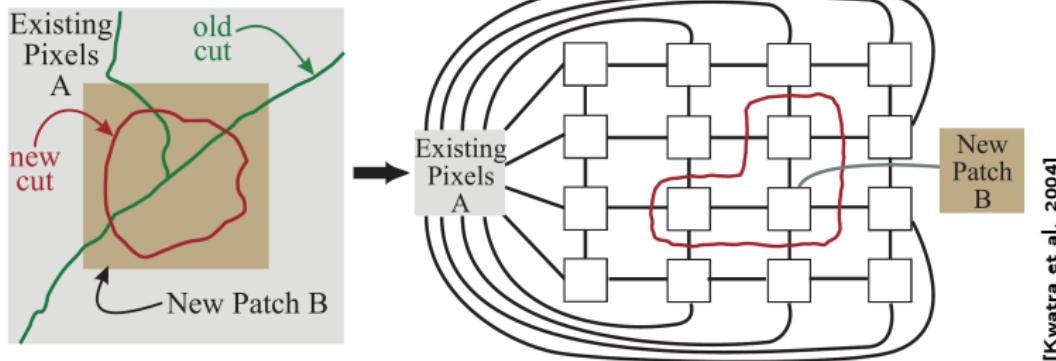
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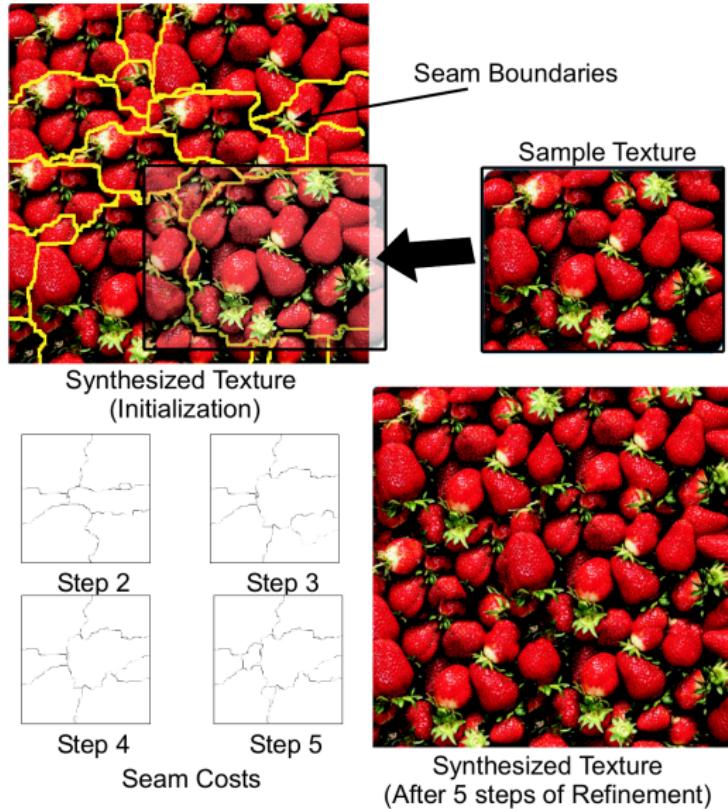
Multiple Seams

Each pixel s keeps track of the patch A_s it originated from, then the weights on graph edges between two neighboring pixels s and p originating from patches A_s , A_p is simply: $M(s, p, A_s, A_p)$

Surrounded regions



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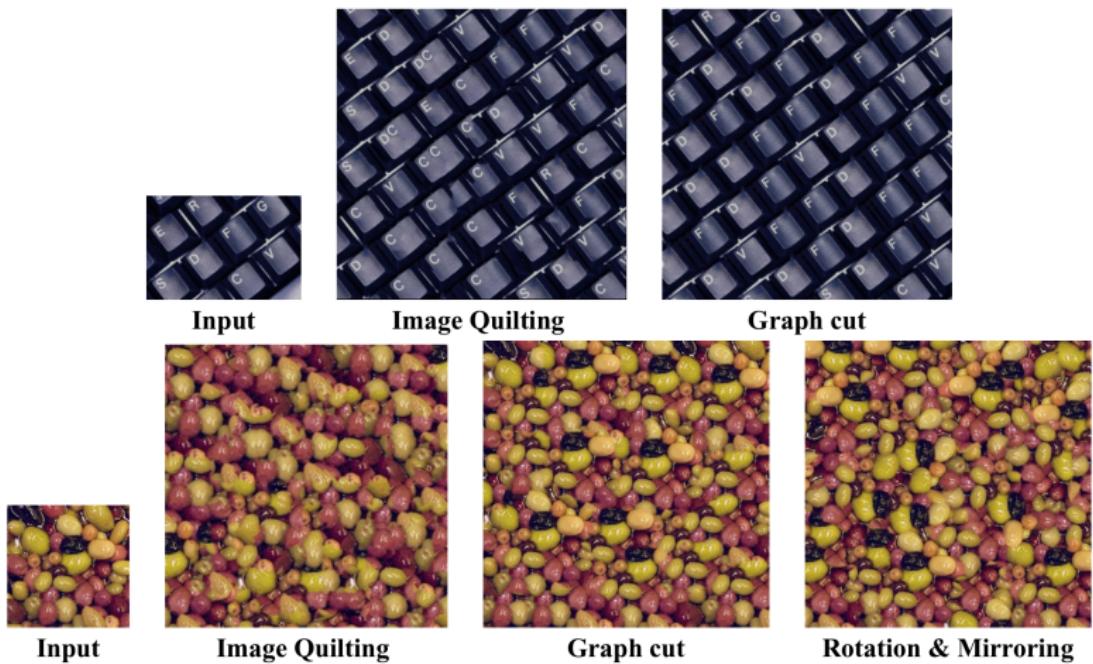
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Conclusion

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- Now: Machine learning methods (Gatys et al. 2015 and so on) beyond the scope of this course.



[Zhou et al. 2018]