

# Recent Work on Retinal Image Analysis

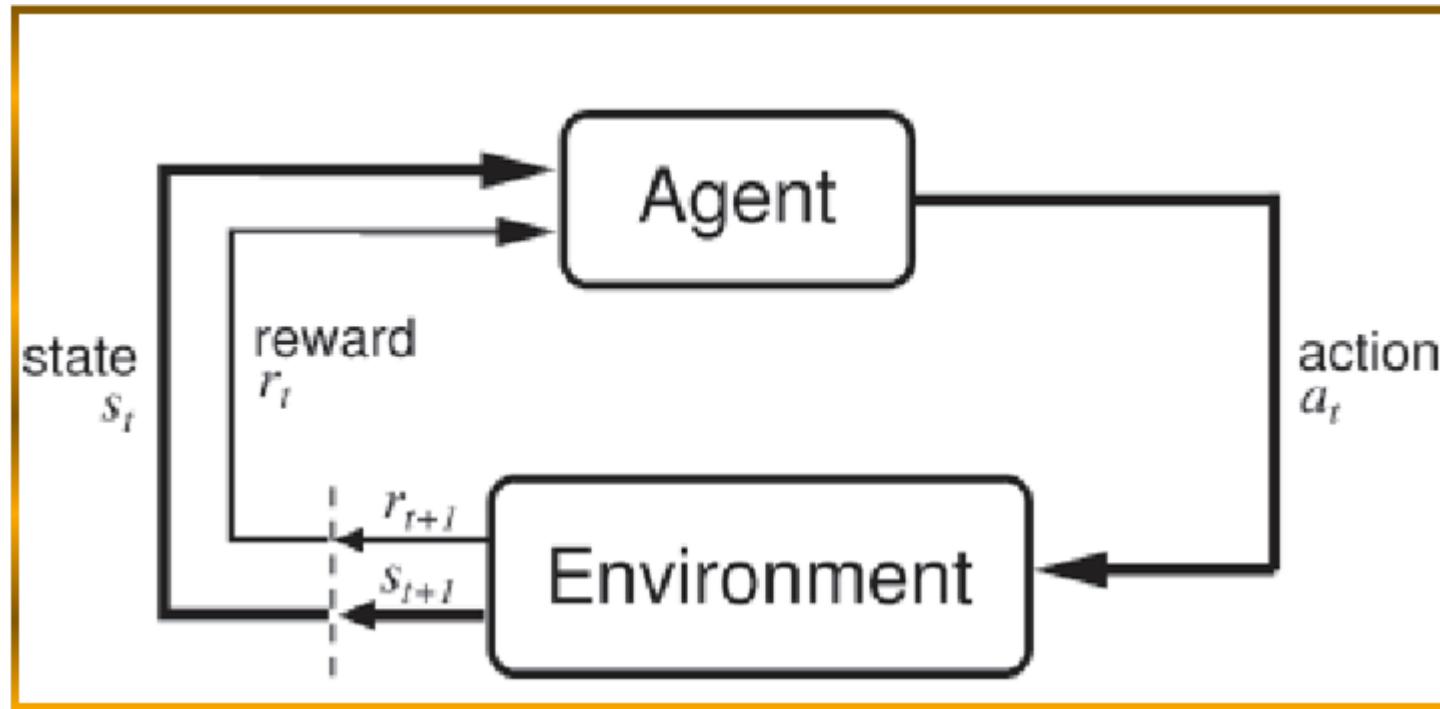
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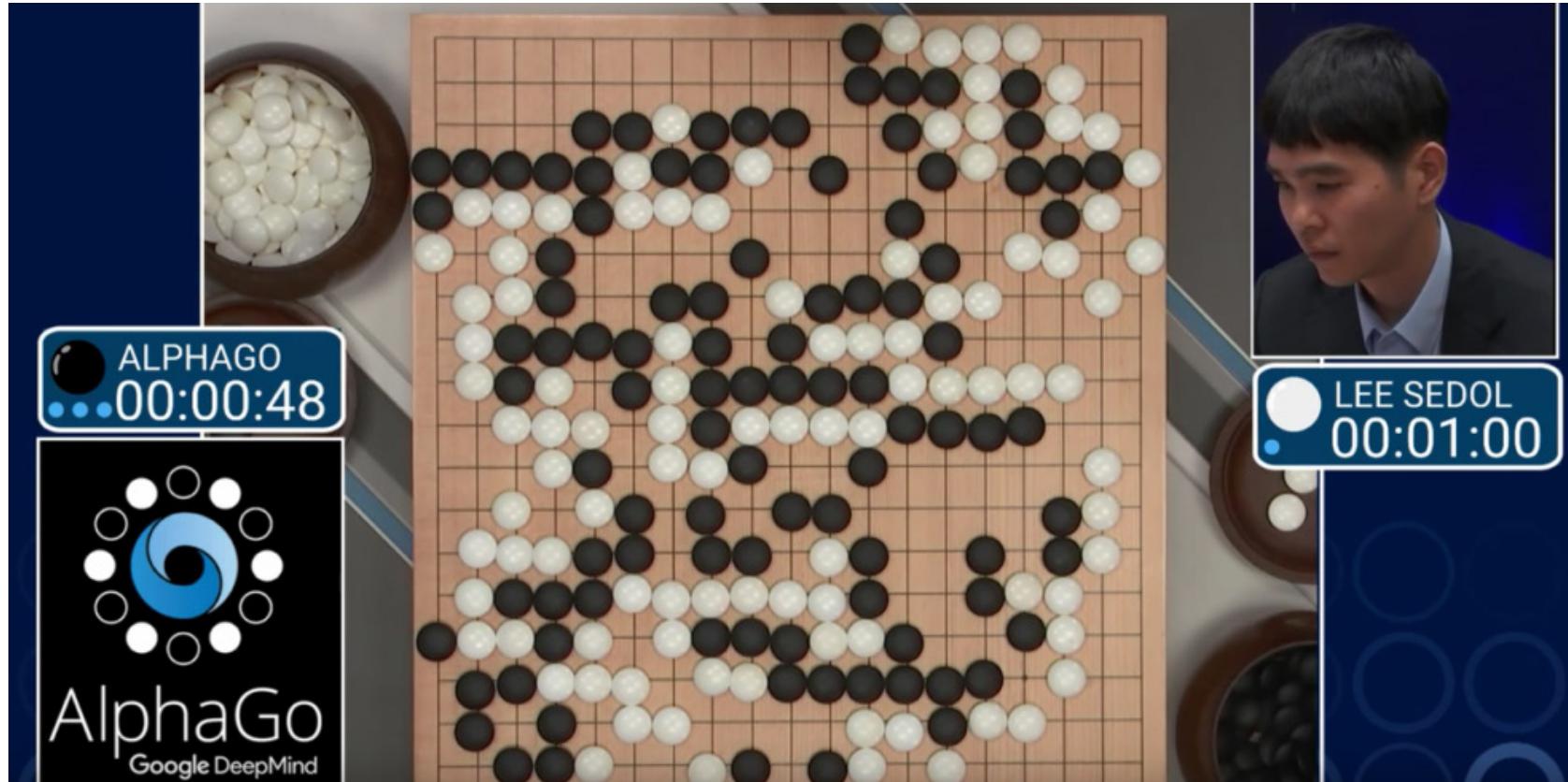
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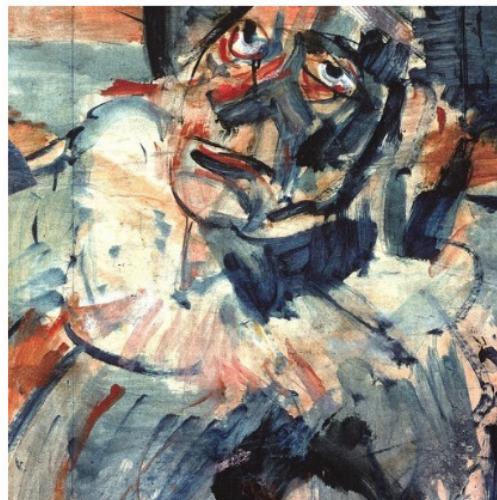
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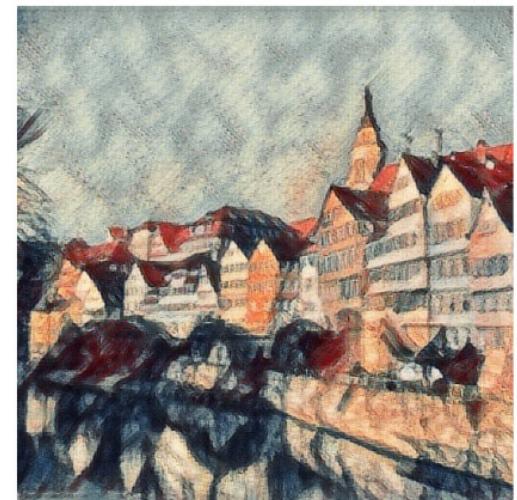
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## Image-to-Image Translation with Conditional Adversarial Networks

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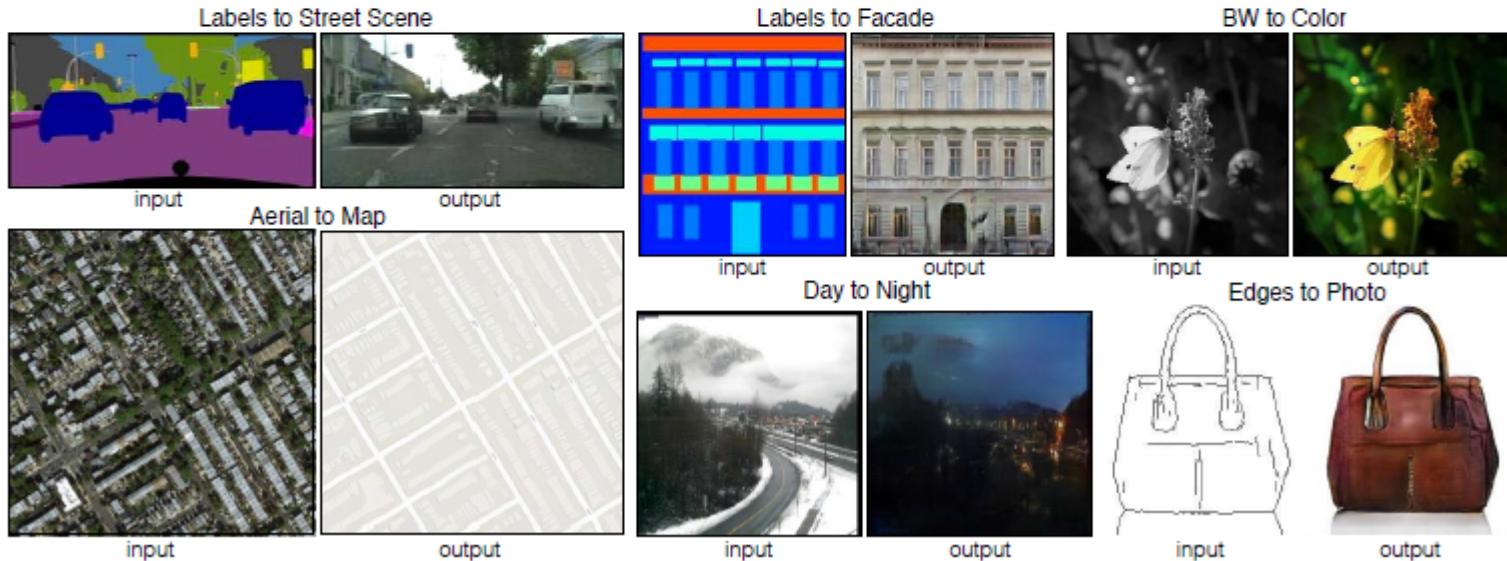
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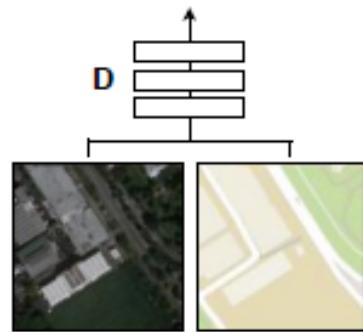
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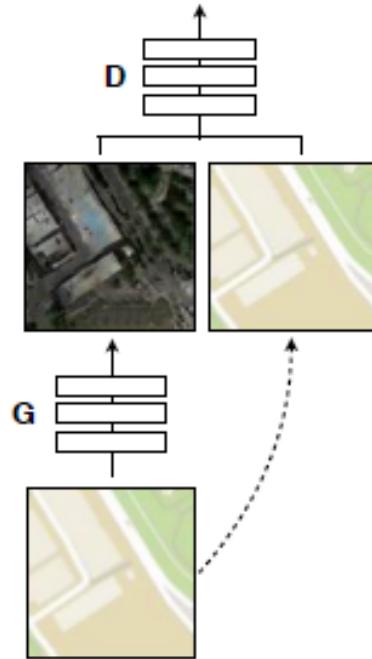
## Positive examples

Real or fake pair?



## Negative examples

Real or fake pair?



**G** tries to synthesize fake images that fool **D**

**D** tries to identify the fakes

$$y: G : z \rightarrow y$$

$$G^* = \arg \min_G \max_D \mathcal{L}_{cGAN}(G, D) + \lambda \mathcal{L}_{L1}(G).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_{GAN}(G, D) = & \mathbb{E}_{y \sim p_{data}(y)} [\log D(y)] + \\ & \mathbb{E}_{x \sim p_{data}(x), z \sim p_z(z)} [\log(1 - D(G(x, z)))] . \end{aligned}$$

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## Towards Adversarial Retinal Image Synthesis

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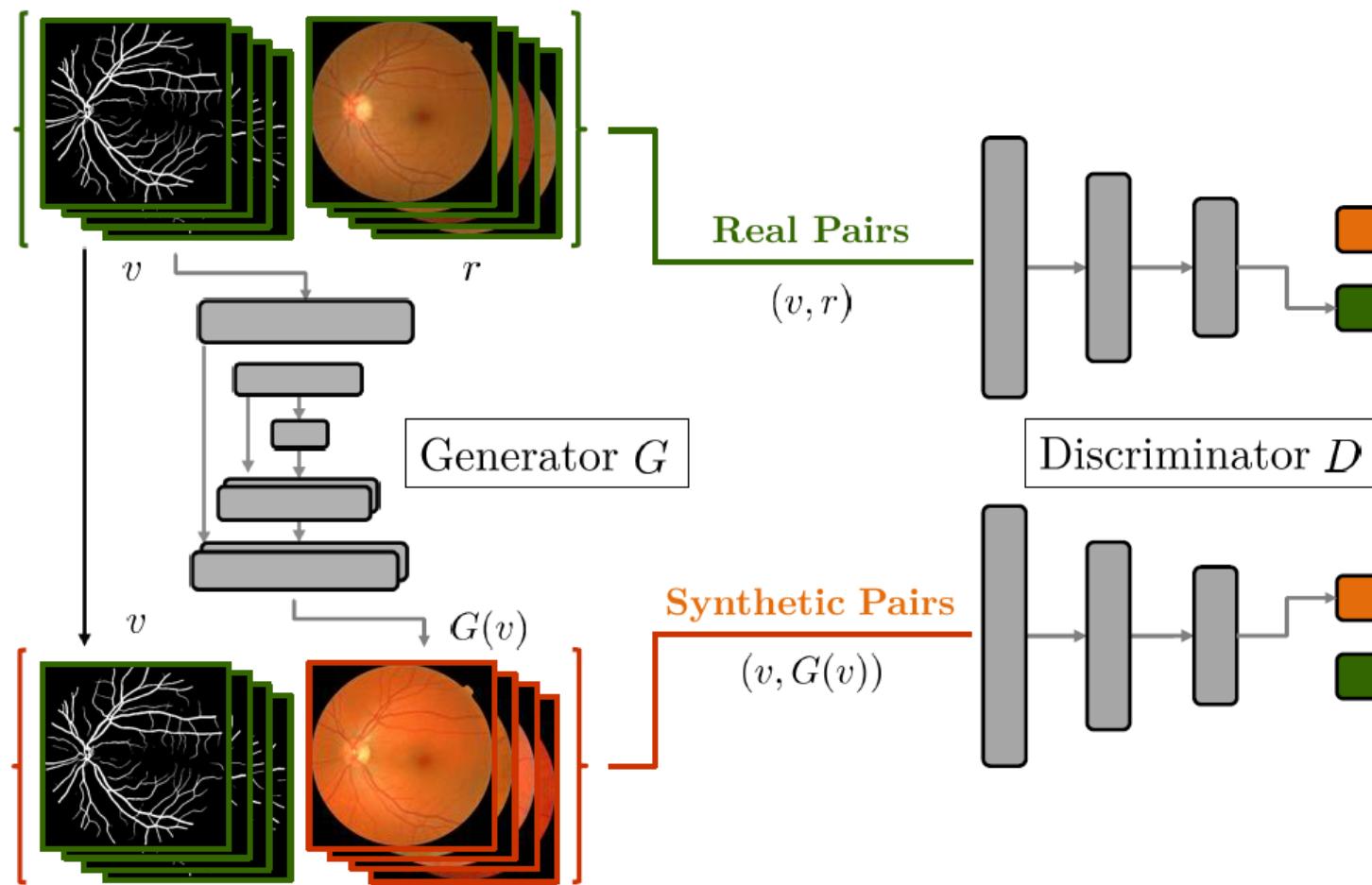
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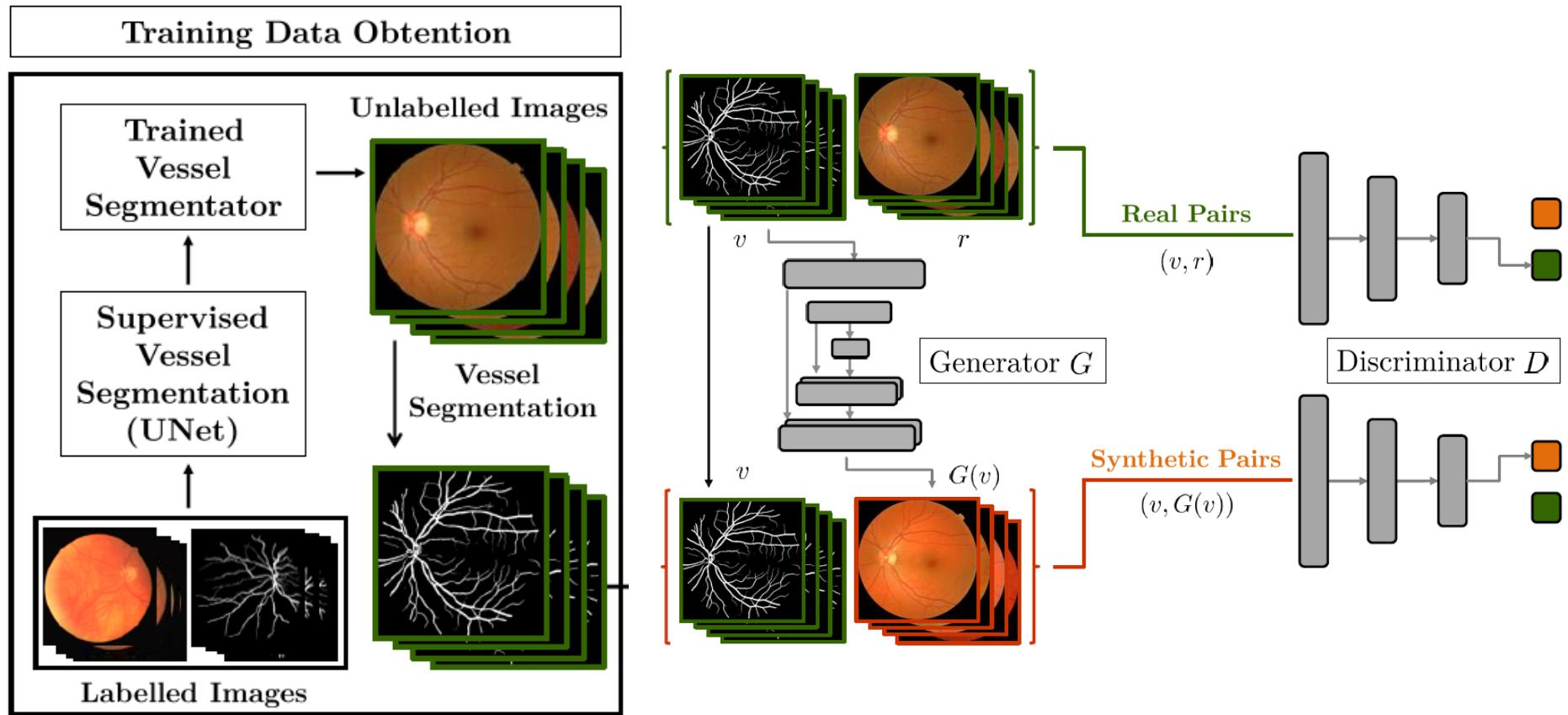
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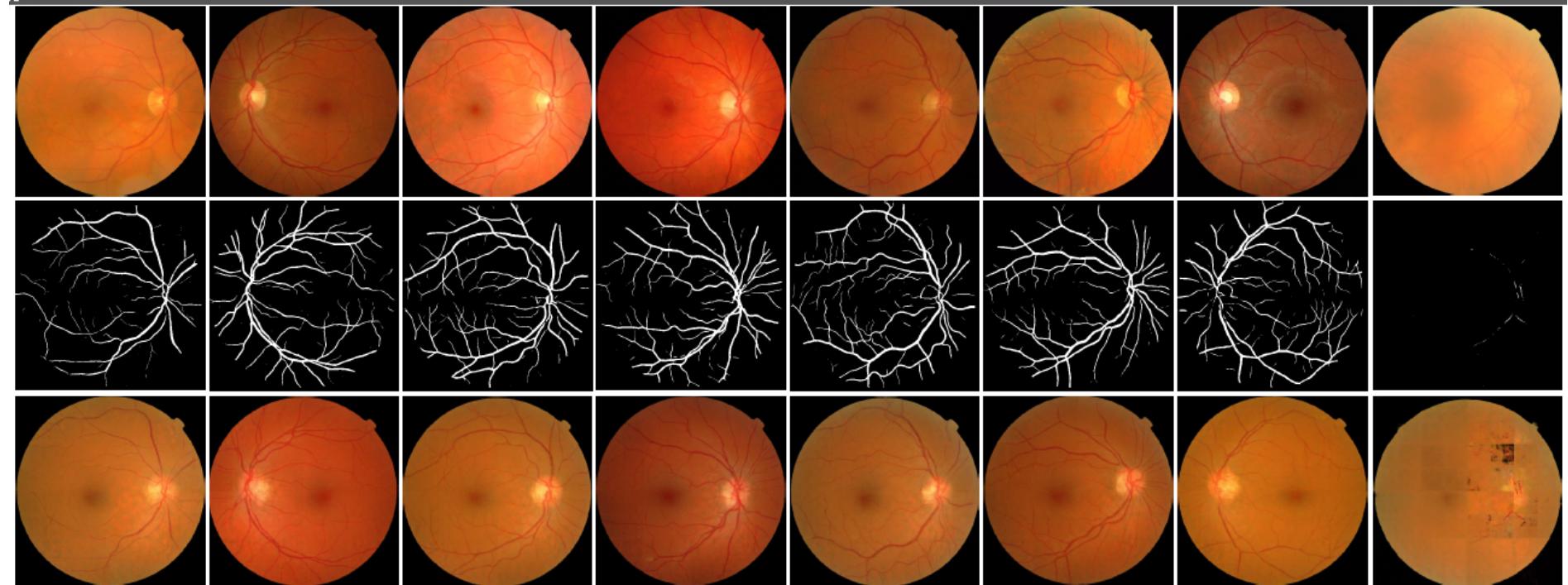
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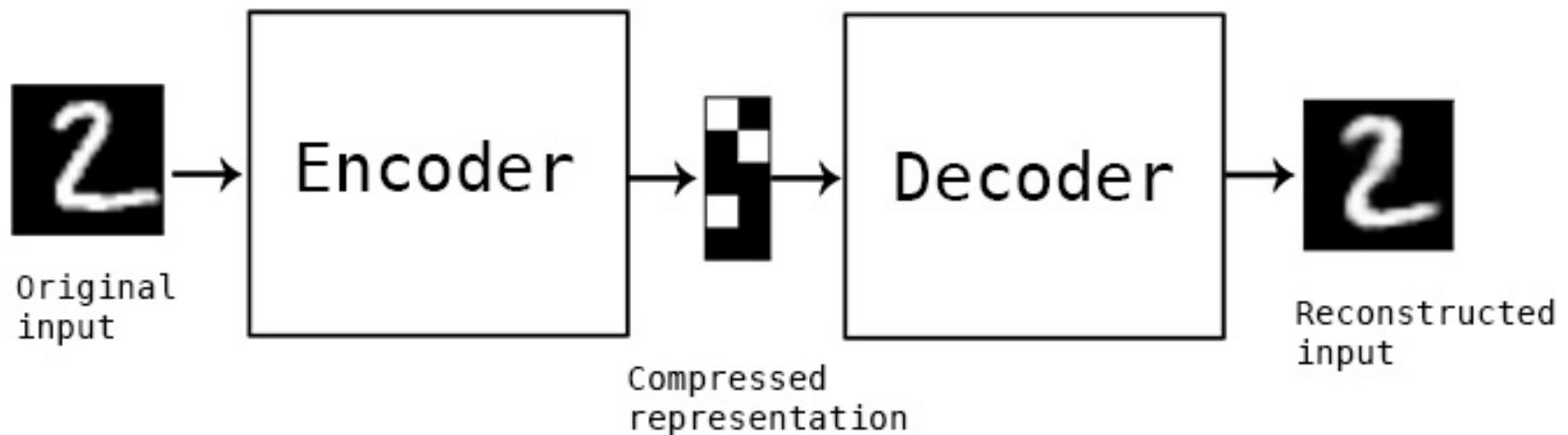
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## End-to-end Adversarial Retinal Image Synthesis

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*Adversarial Autoencoders for Vessel Trees Generation*

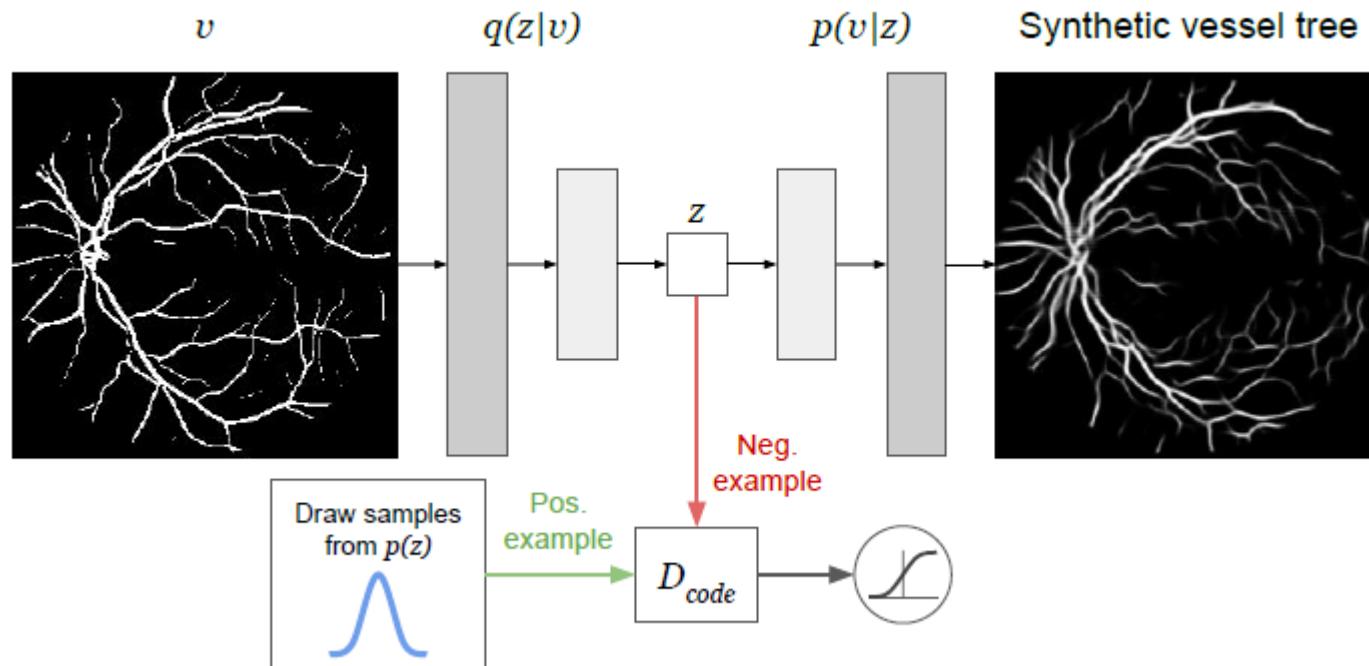
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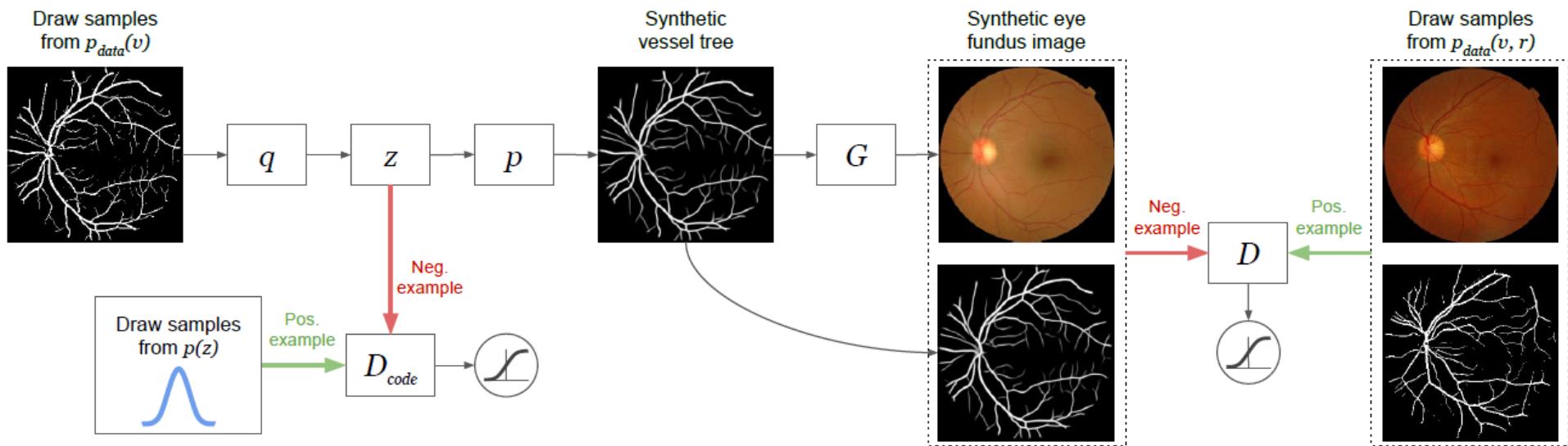
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$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}_{code}(D_{code}, q) = & \mathbb{E}_{z \sim p(z)} [\log(D_{code}(z))] \\ & + \mathbb{E}_{v \sim p_{data}(v)} [\log(1 - D_{code}(q(z|v)))].\end{aligned}$$

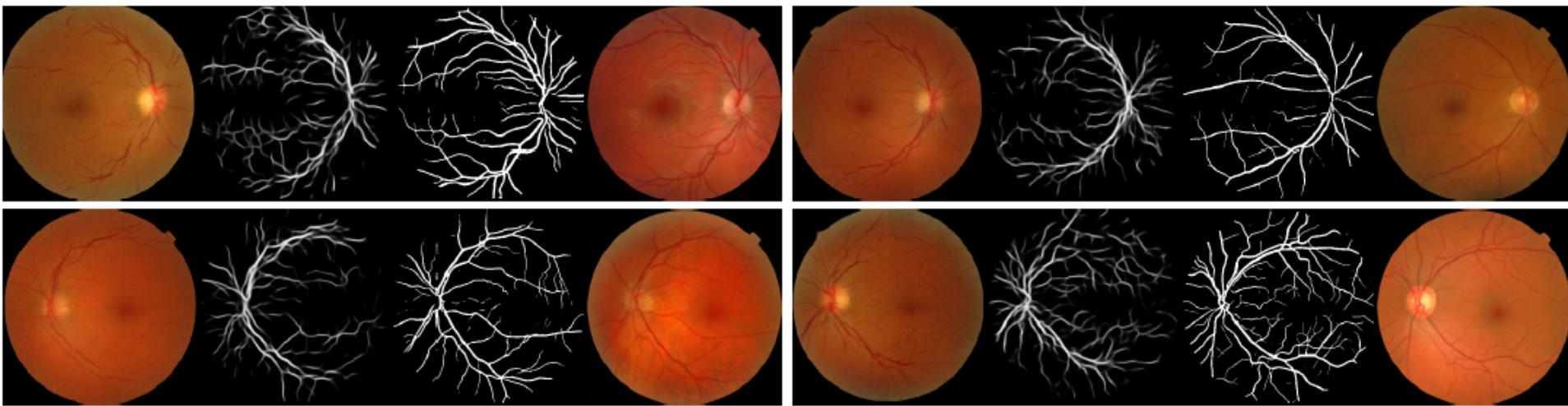
$$\mathcal{L}_{AAE}(D_{code}, q, p) = \mathcal{L}_{code}(D_{code}, q) + \gamma \mathcal{L}_{rec}(q, p)$$



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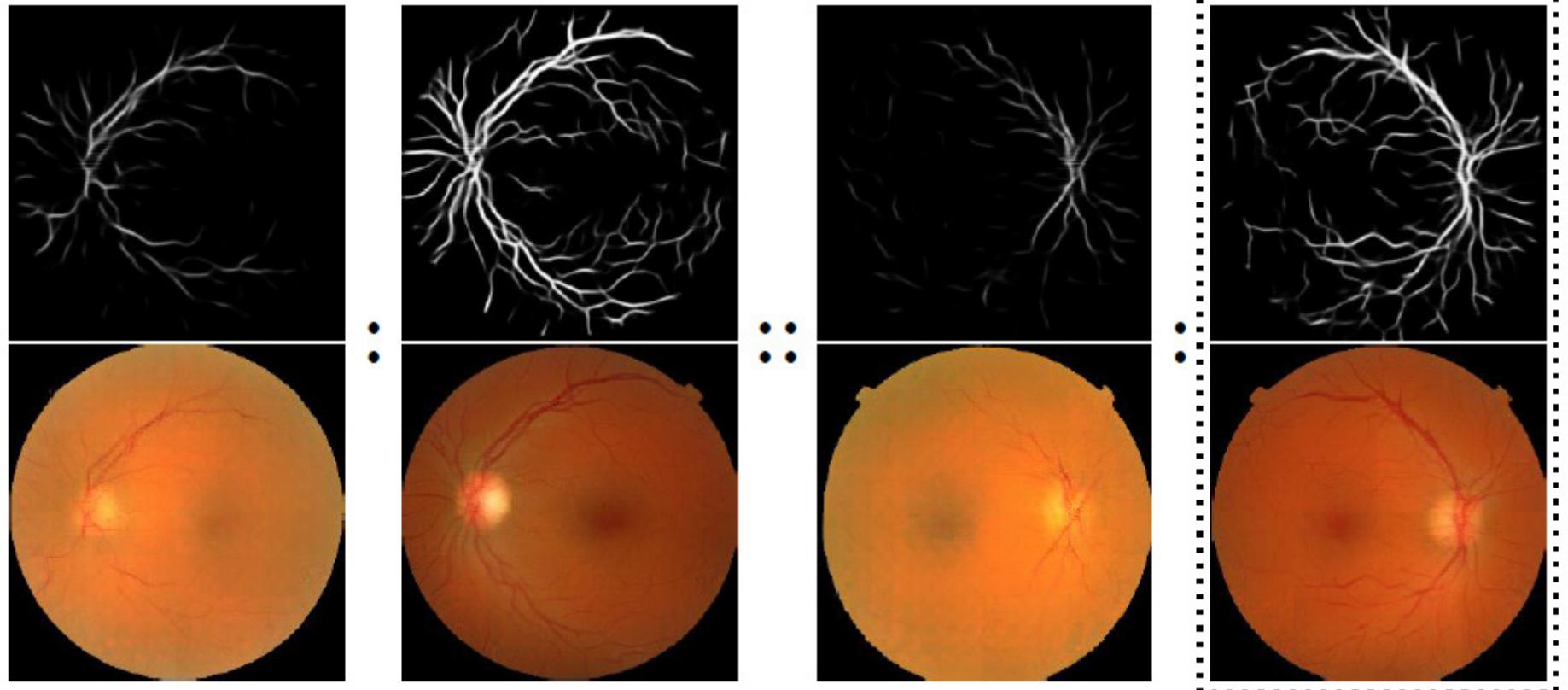


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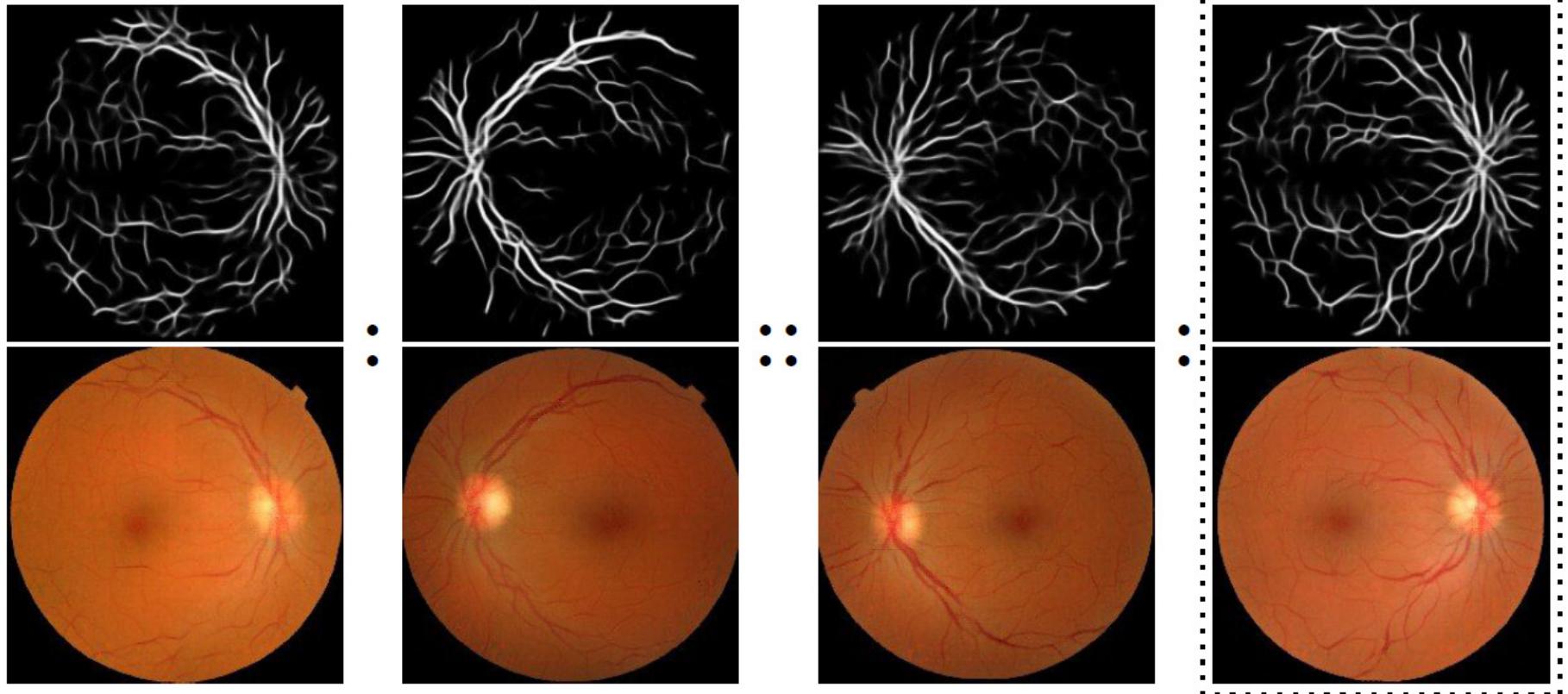
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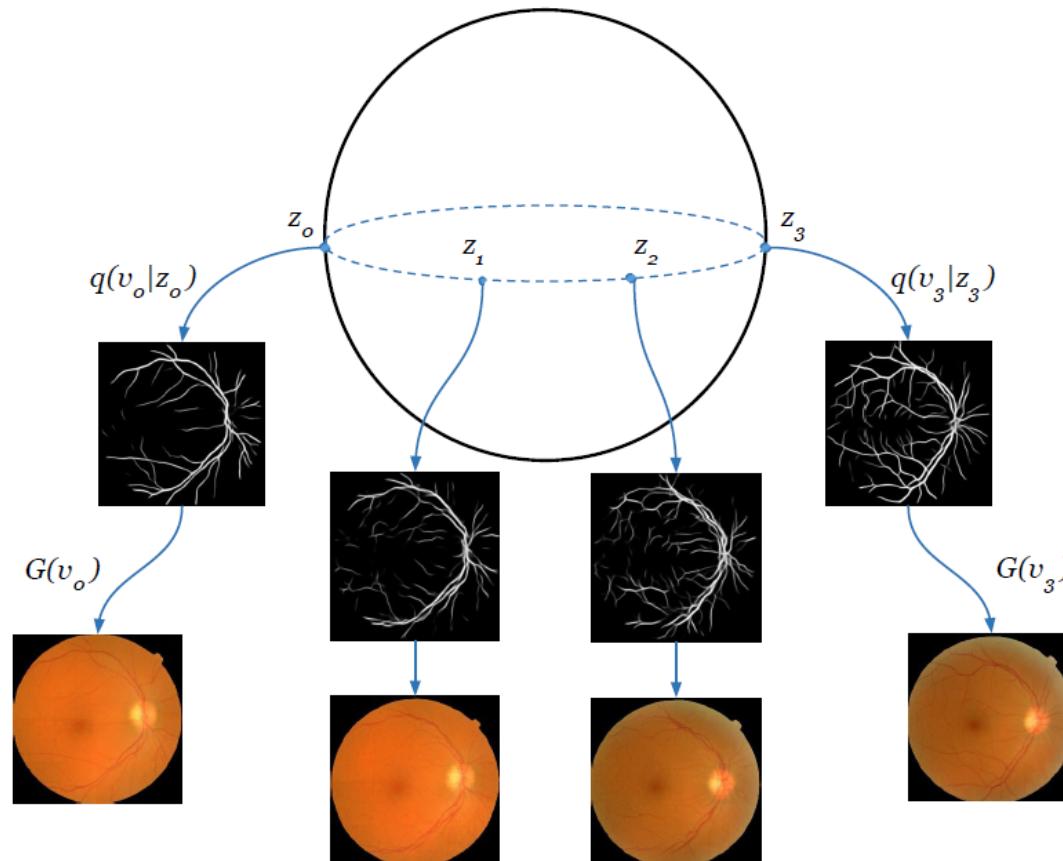
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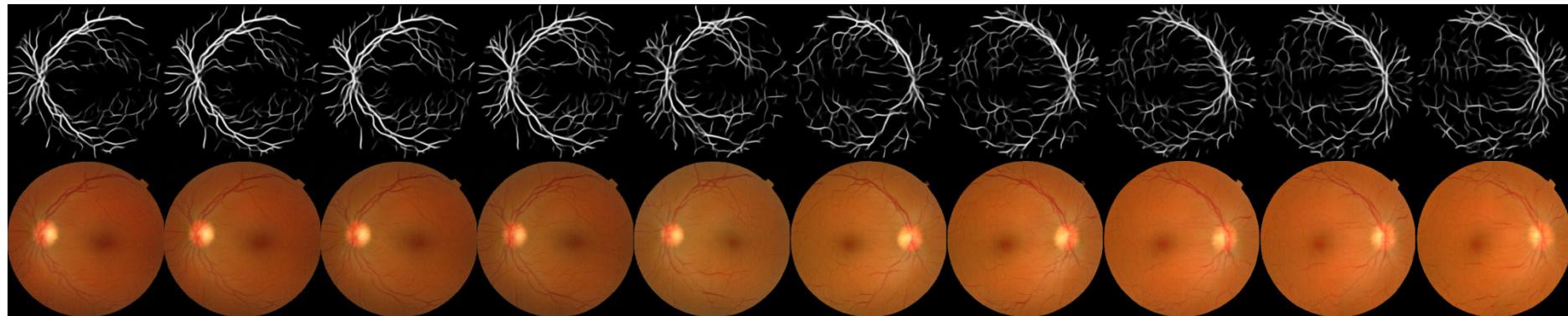
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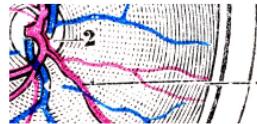
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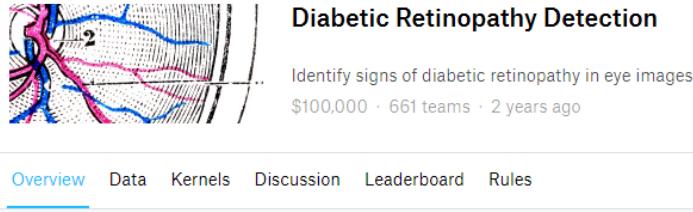
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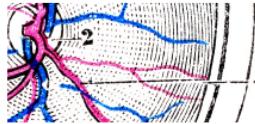
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(Submitted on 12 Mar 2018)

We have replicated some experiments in 'Development and validation of a deep learning algorithm for detection of diabetic retinopathy in retinal fundus photographs' that was published in JAMA 2016; 316(22). We re-implemented the methods since the source code is not available.

The original study used fundus images from EyePACS and three hospitals in India for training their detection algorithm. We used a different EyePACS data set that was made available in a Kaggle competition. For evaluating the algorithm's performance the benchmark data set Messidor-2 was used. We used the similar Messidor-Original data set to evaluate our algorithm's performance. In the original study licensed ophthalmologists re-graded all their obtained images for diabetic retinopathy, macular edema, and image gradability. Our challenge was to re-implement the methods with publicly available data sets and one diabetic retinopathy grade per image, find the hyper-parameter settings for training and validation that were not described in the original study, and make an assessment on the impact of training with ungradable images.

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We believe that deep learning algorithms should be easily replicated, and that ideally source code should be published so that other researchers can confirm the results of the experiments. Our source code and instructions for running the replication are available at: [this https URL](https://this https URL)

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Failed replication of the 2016 @JAMA\_current retinopathy #AI study, but only in the sense that the team used different data, different methods, and achieved different results. Take-home message is that data quality is really important, and was the strength of original paper.

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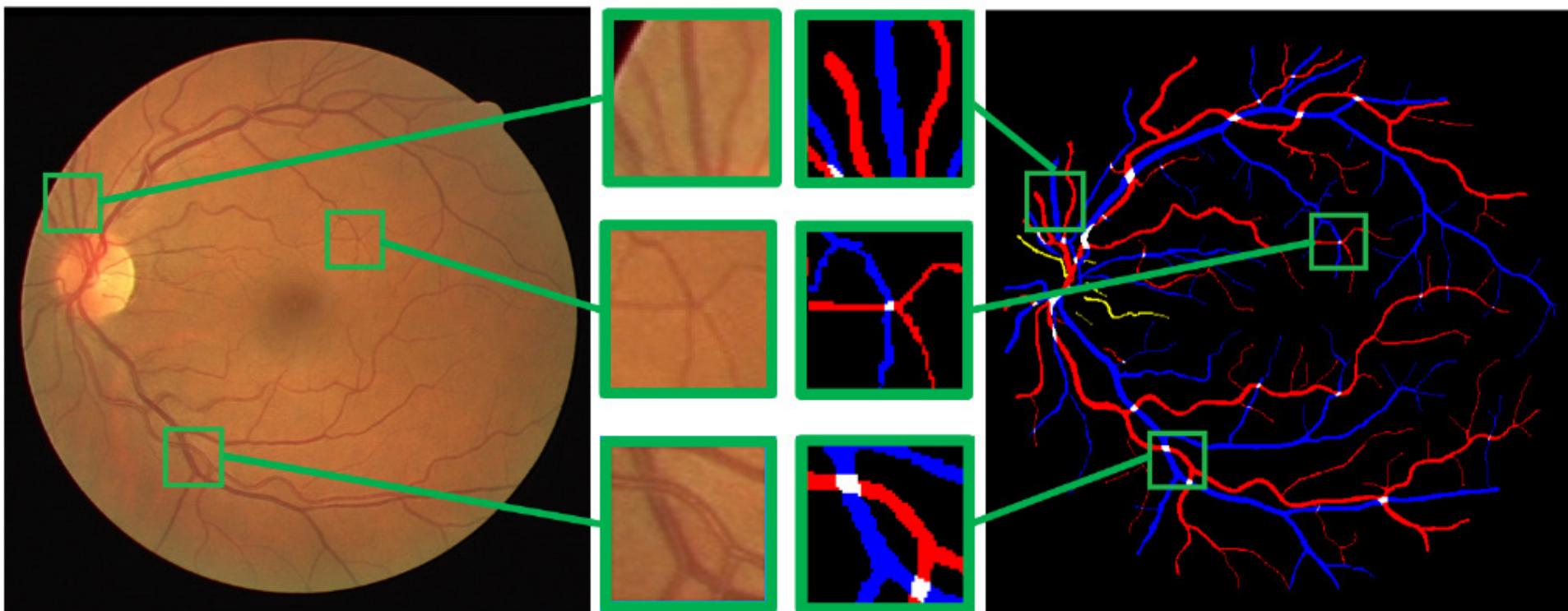
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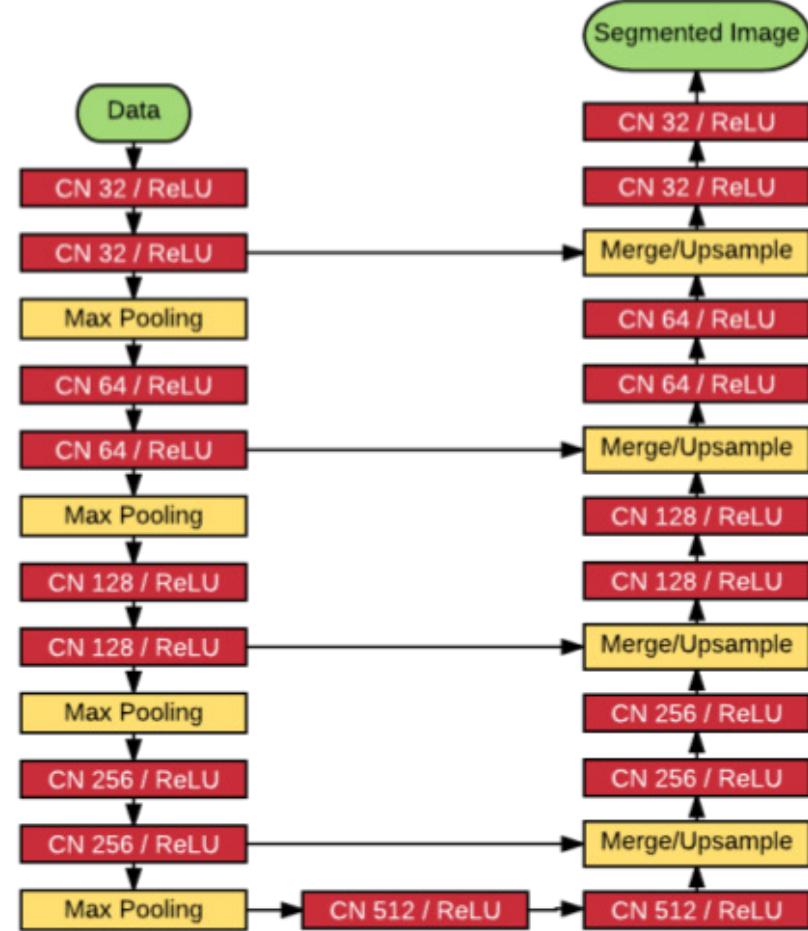
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### U-Net style architecture for A/V classification:

Simple change in the loss function to discard background info and we are good to go.

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$$w_j = \begin{cases} 0, & j = 1 \\ 1, & j = 2 \\ 1, & j = 3, \end{cases}$$

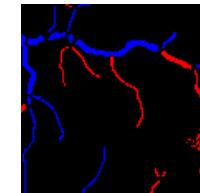
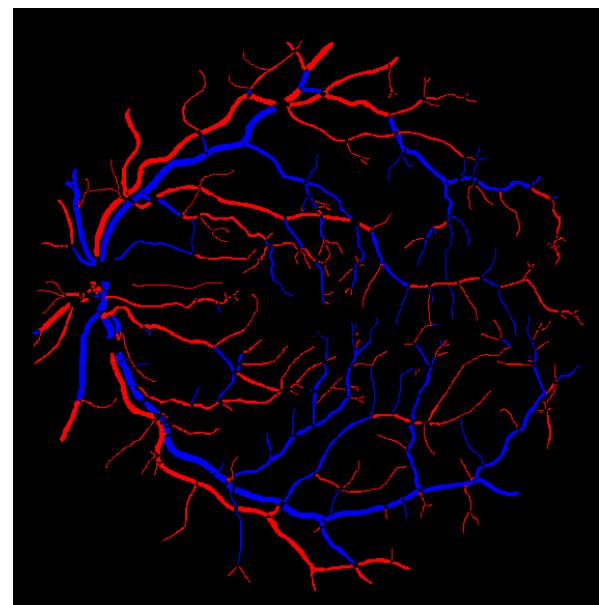
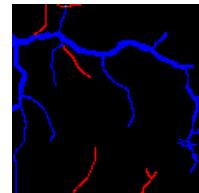
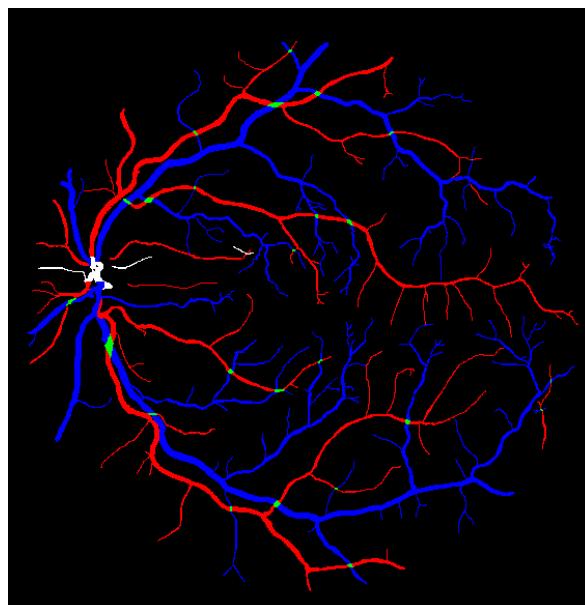


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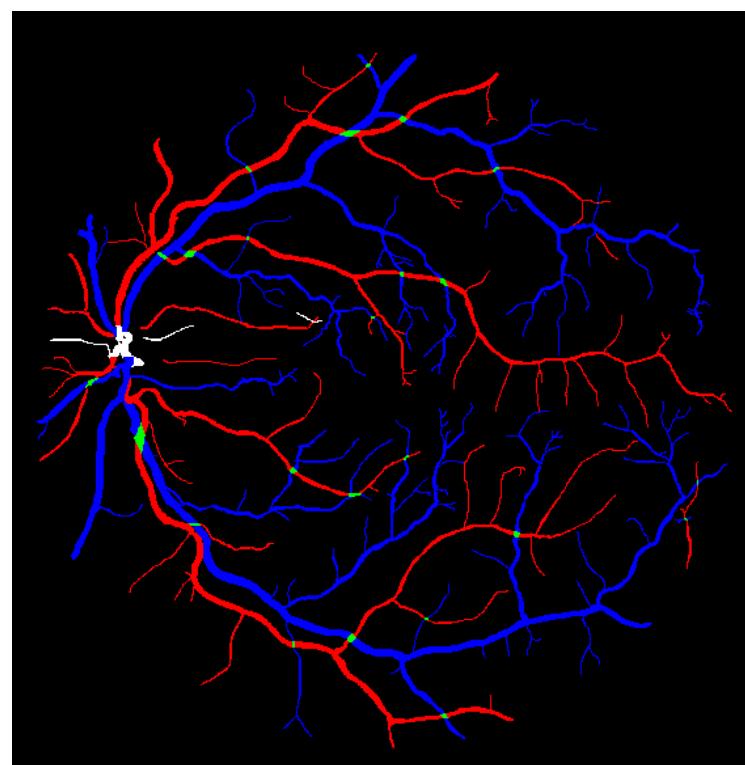
**Results (not really good)**



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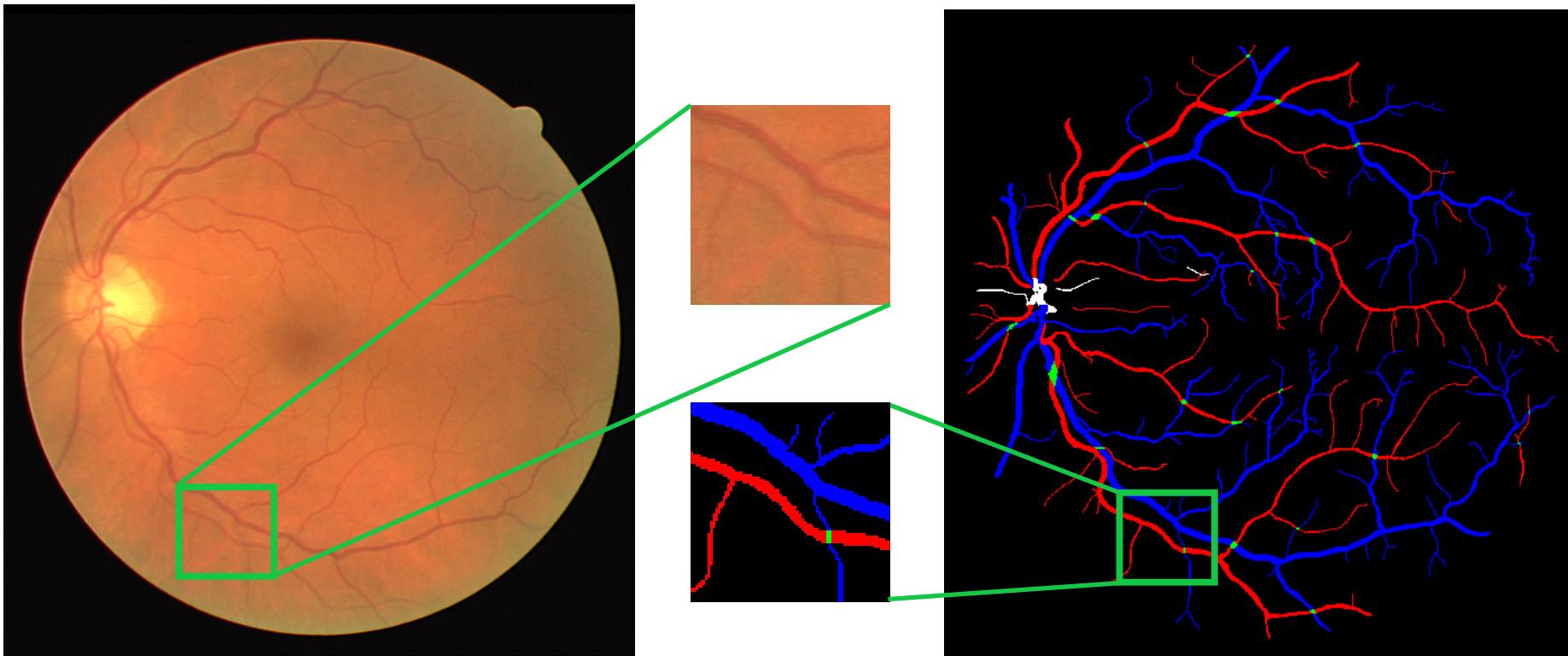
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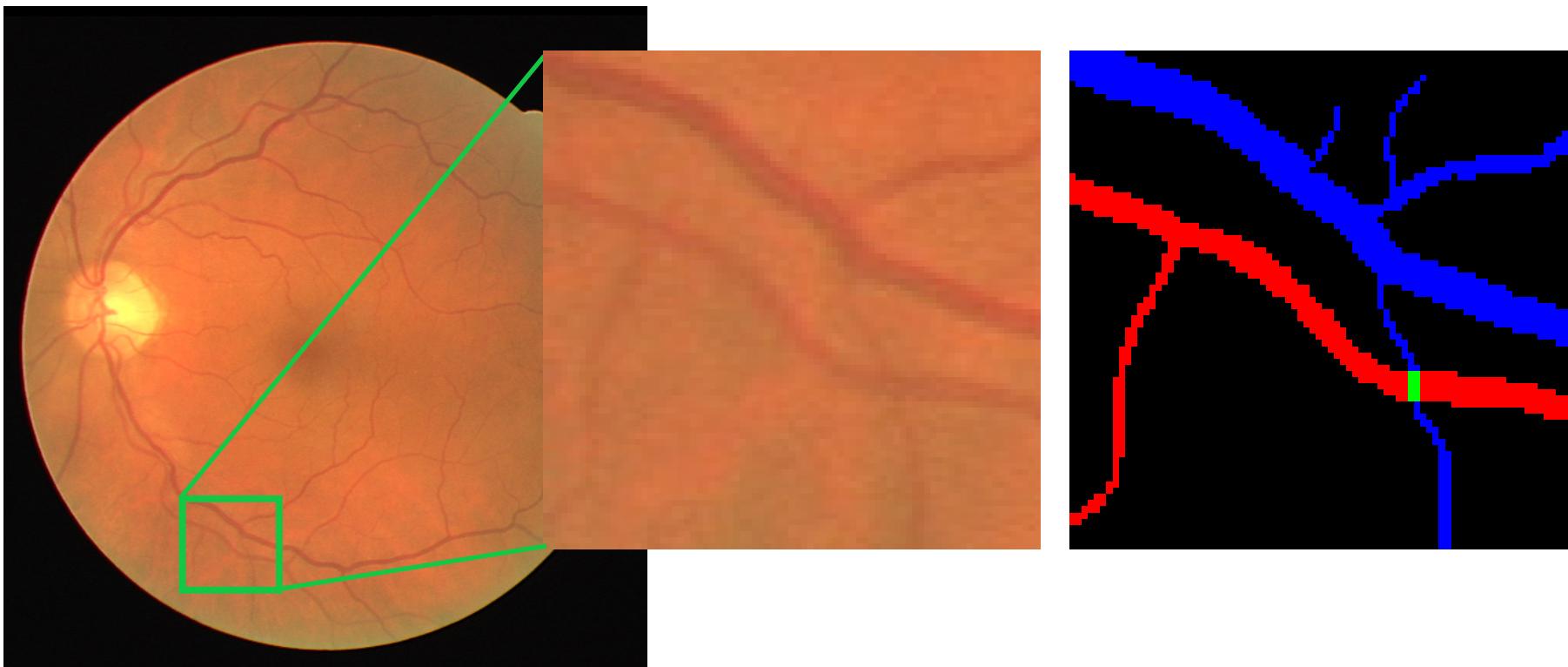
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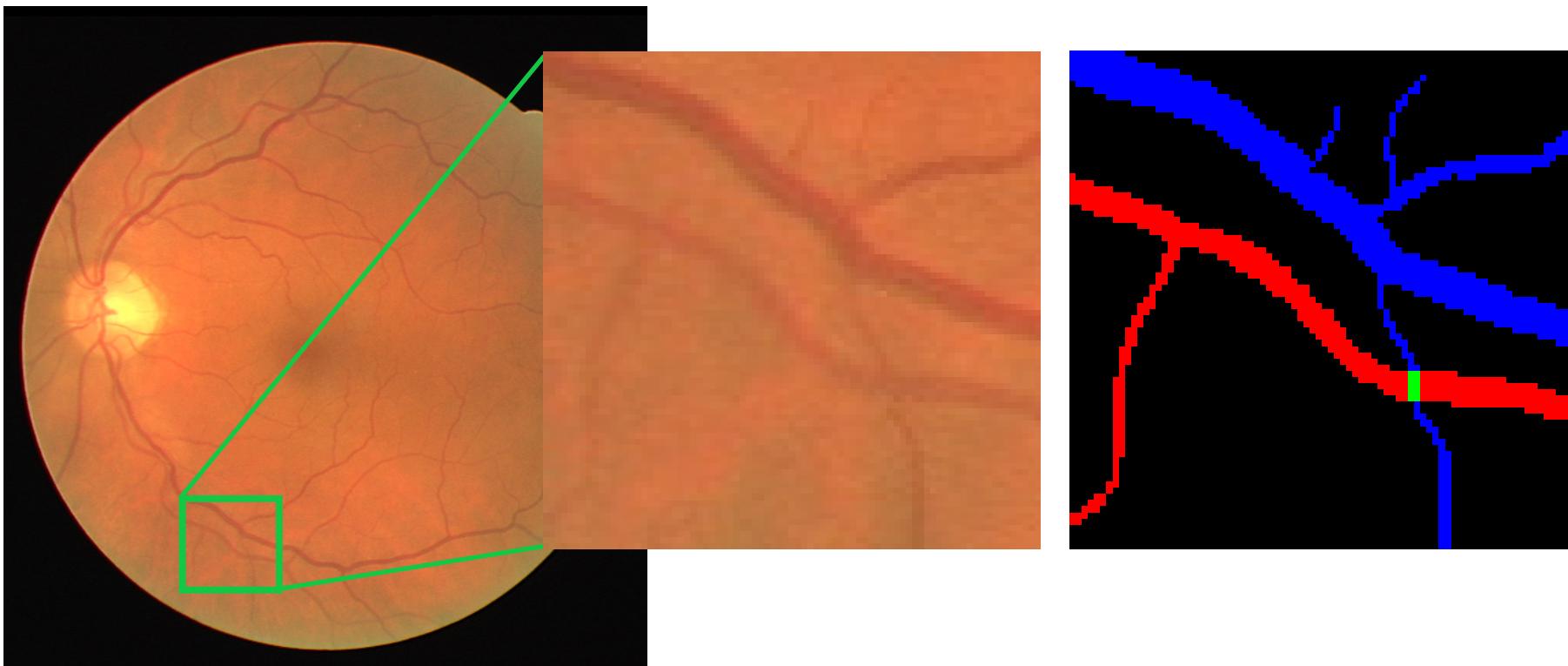
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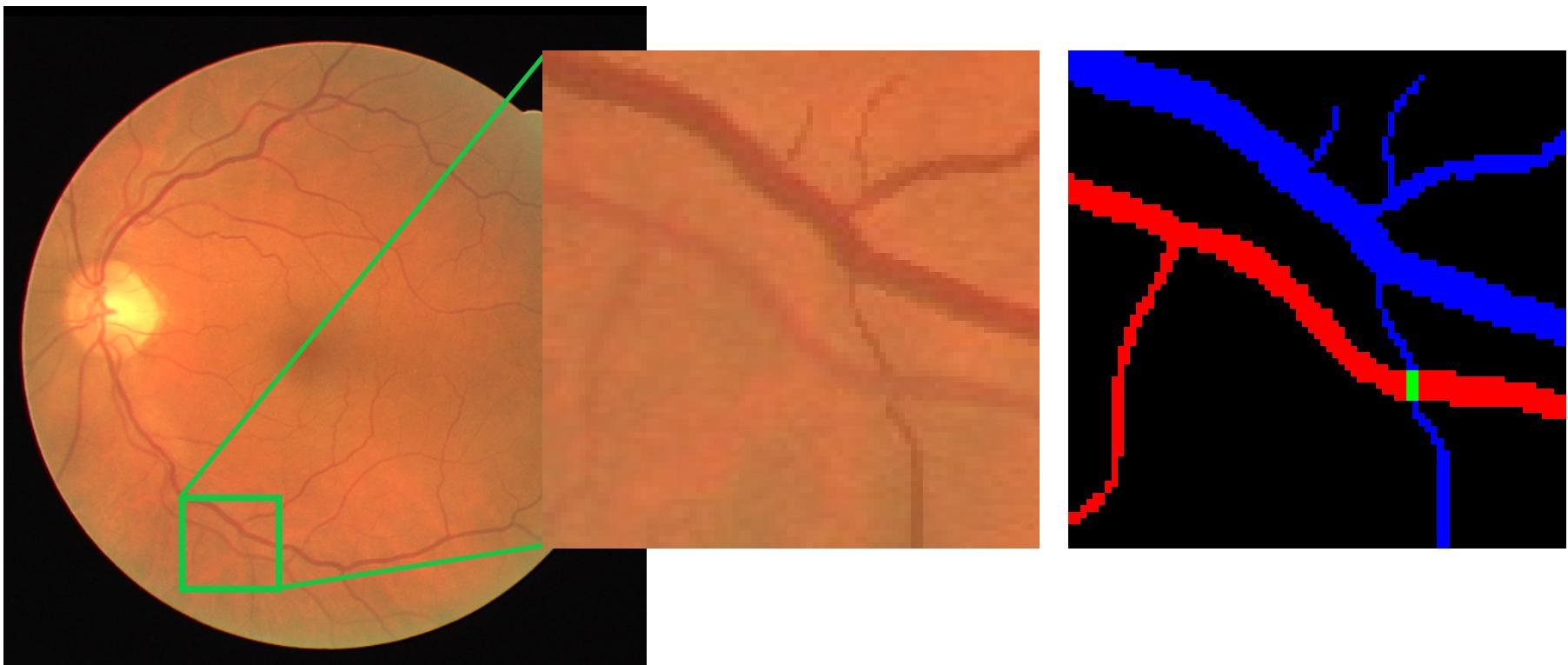
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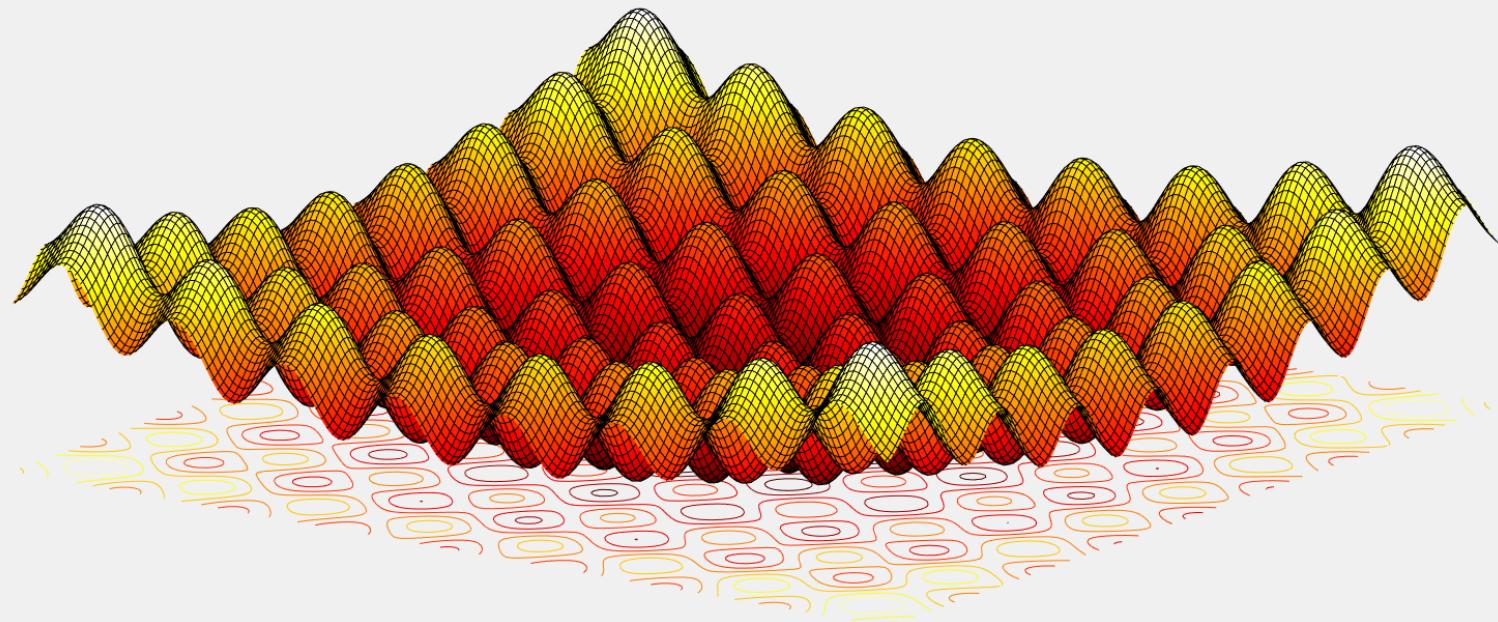
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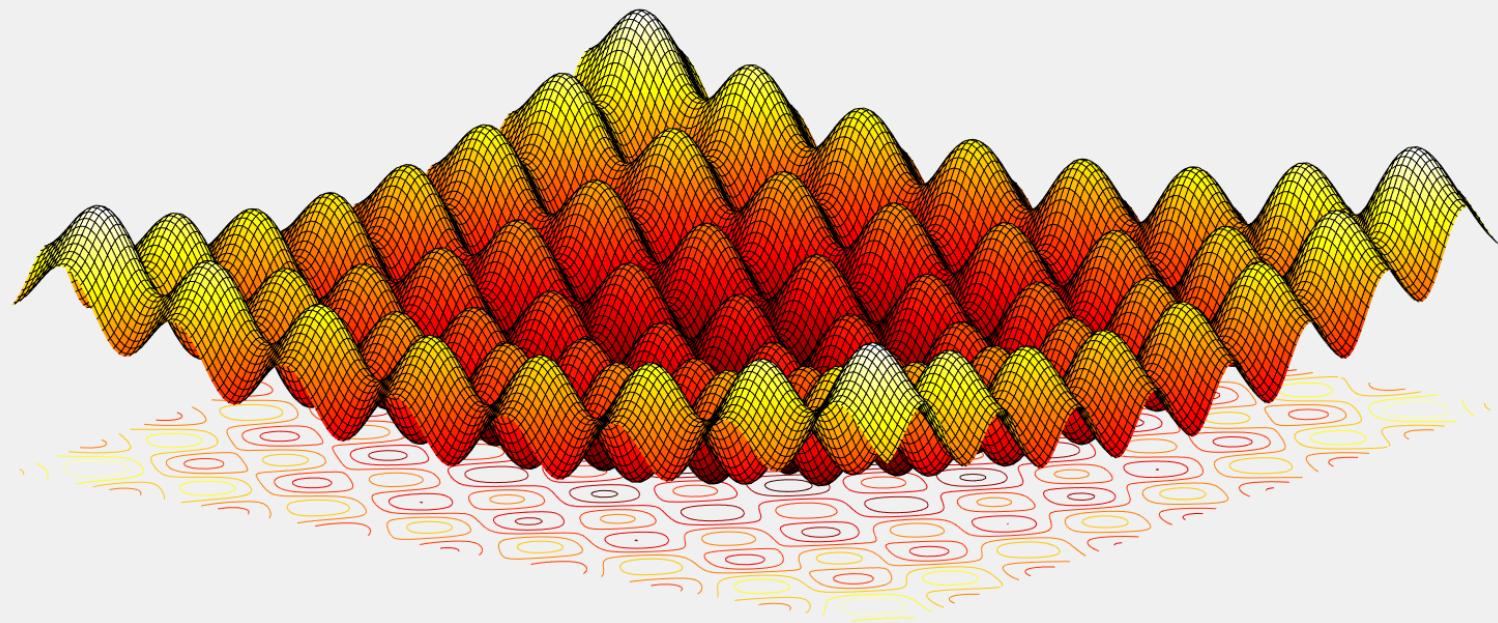
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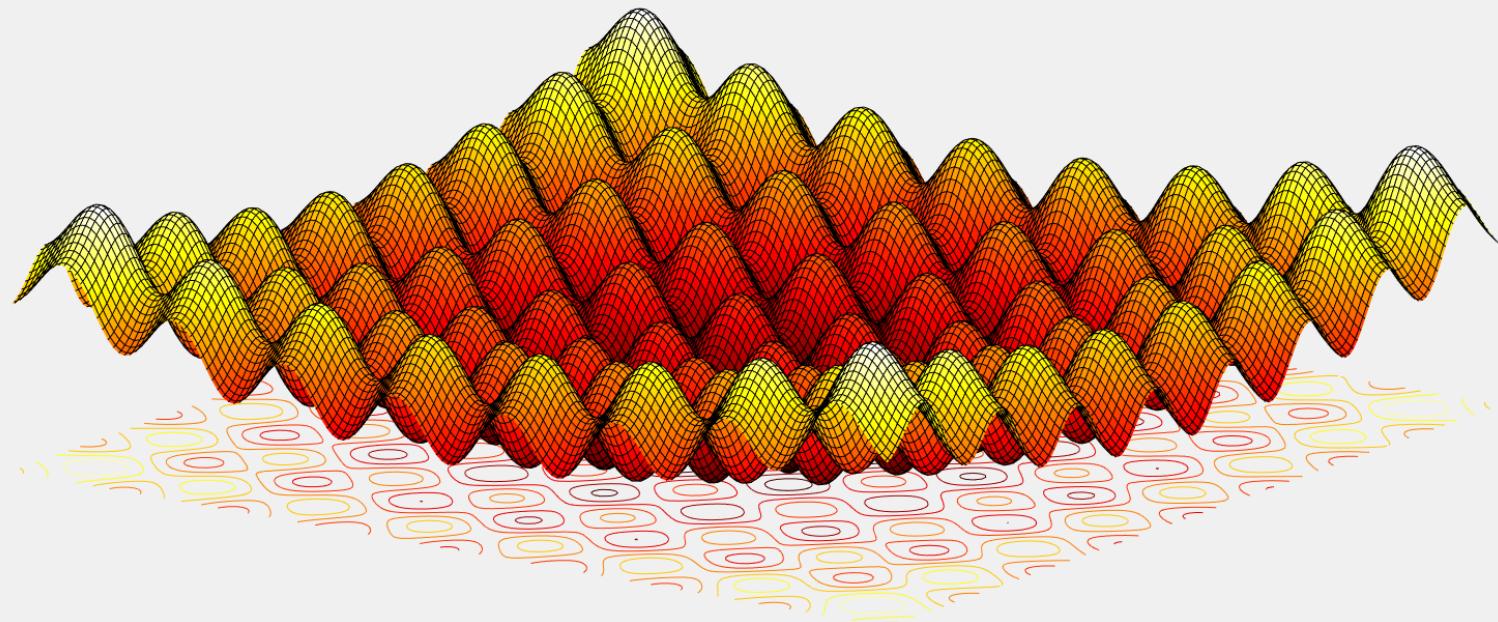
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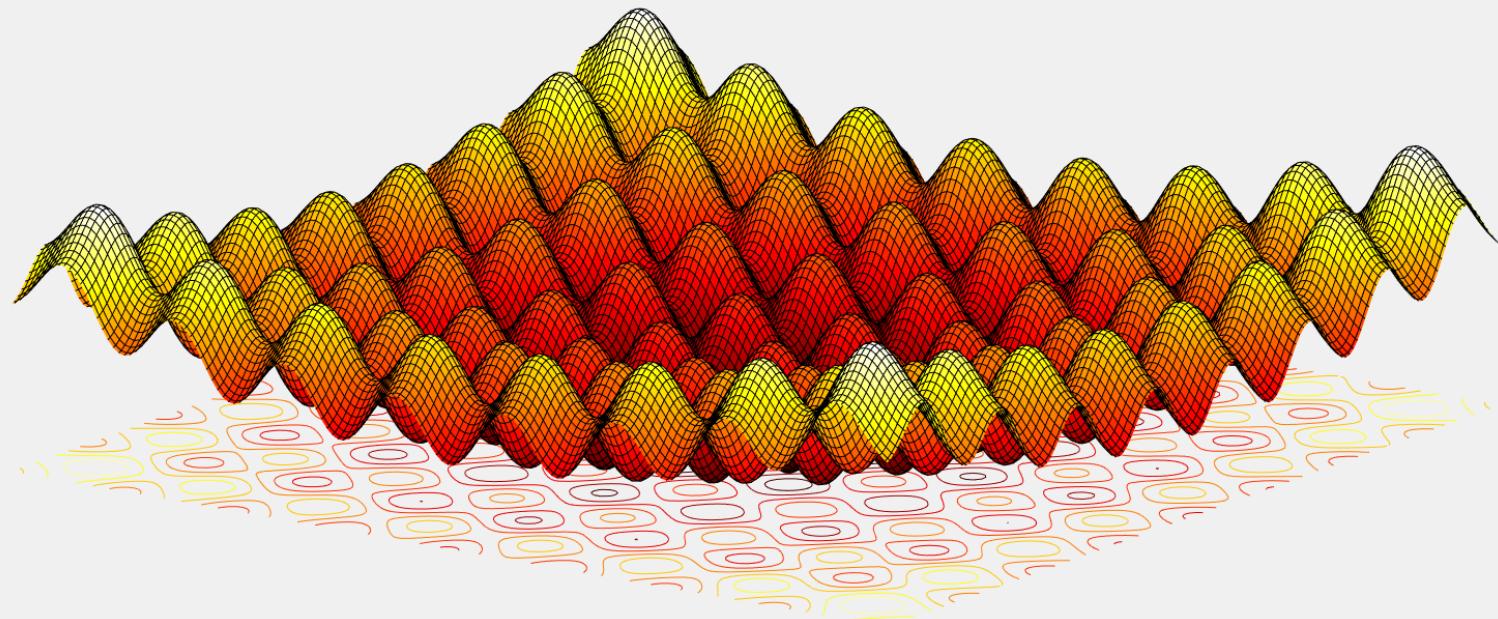
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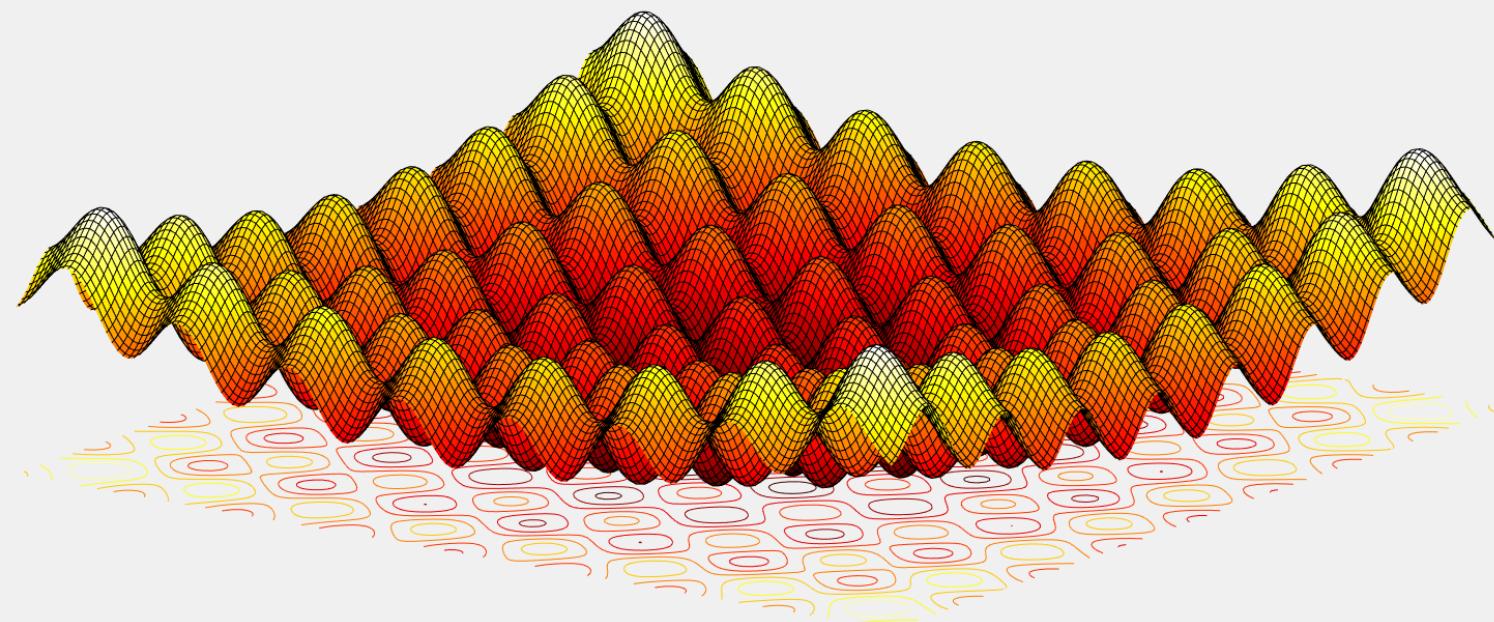
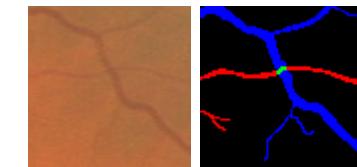
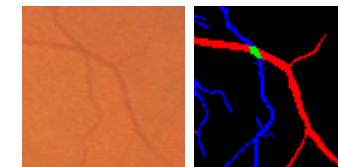
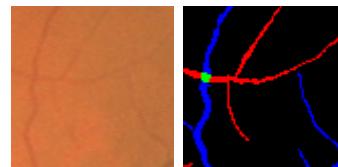
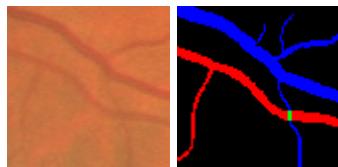
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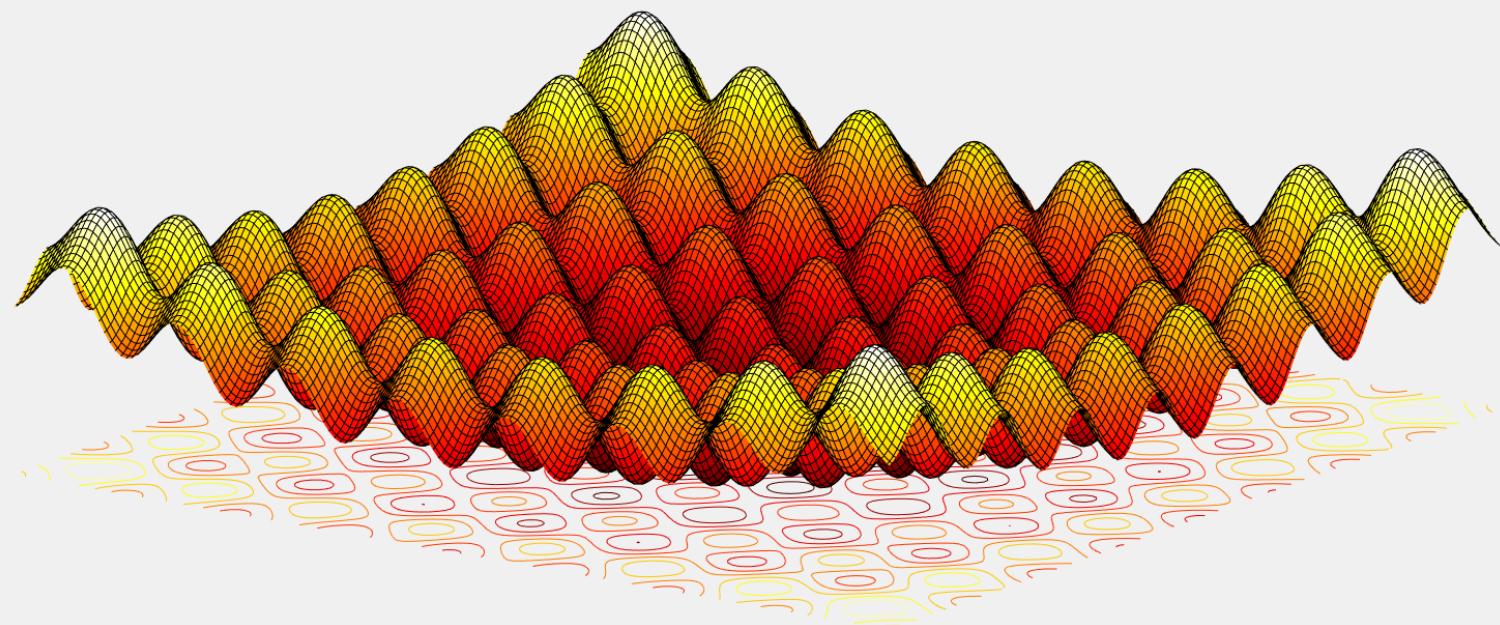
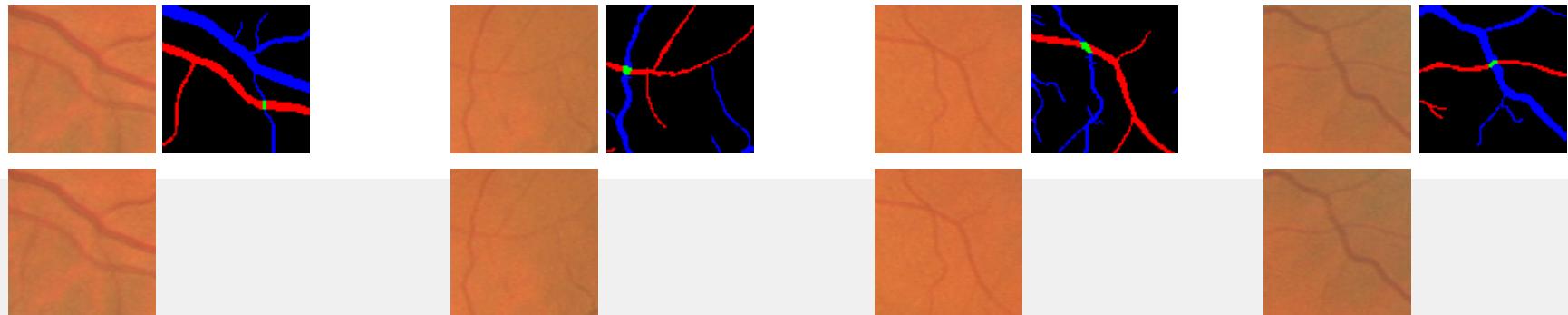
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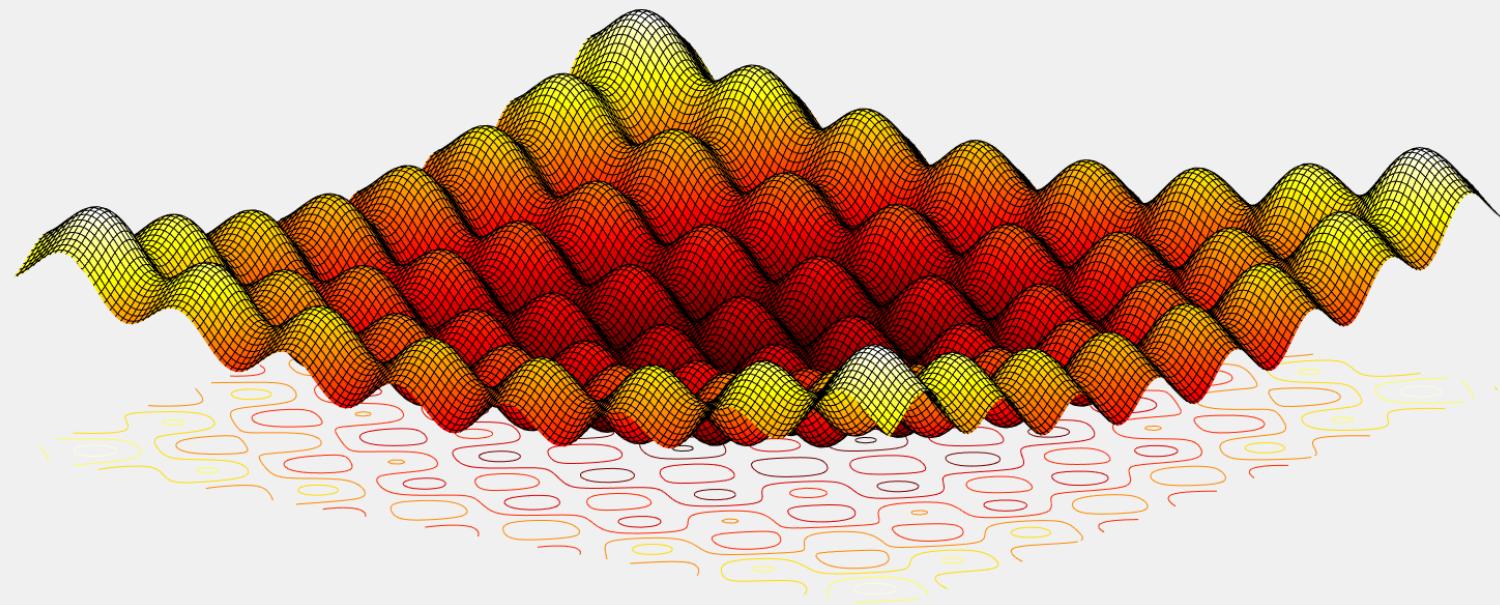
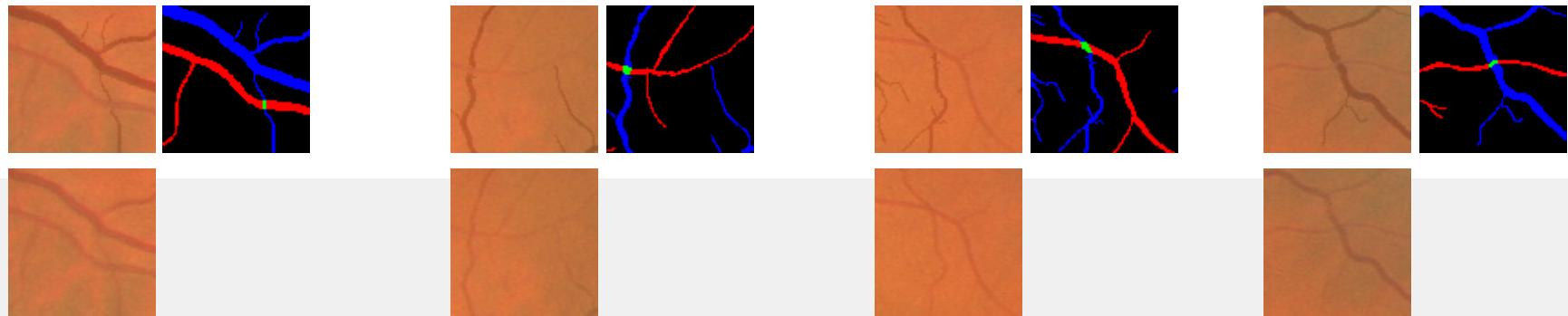
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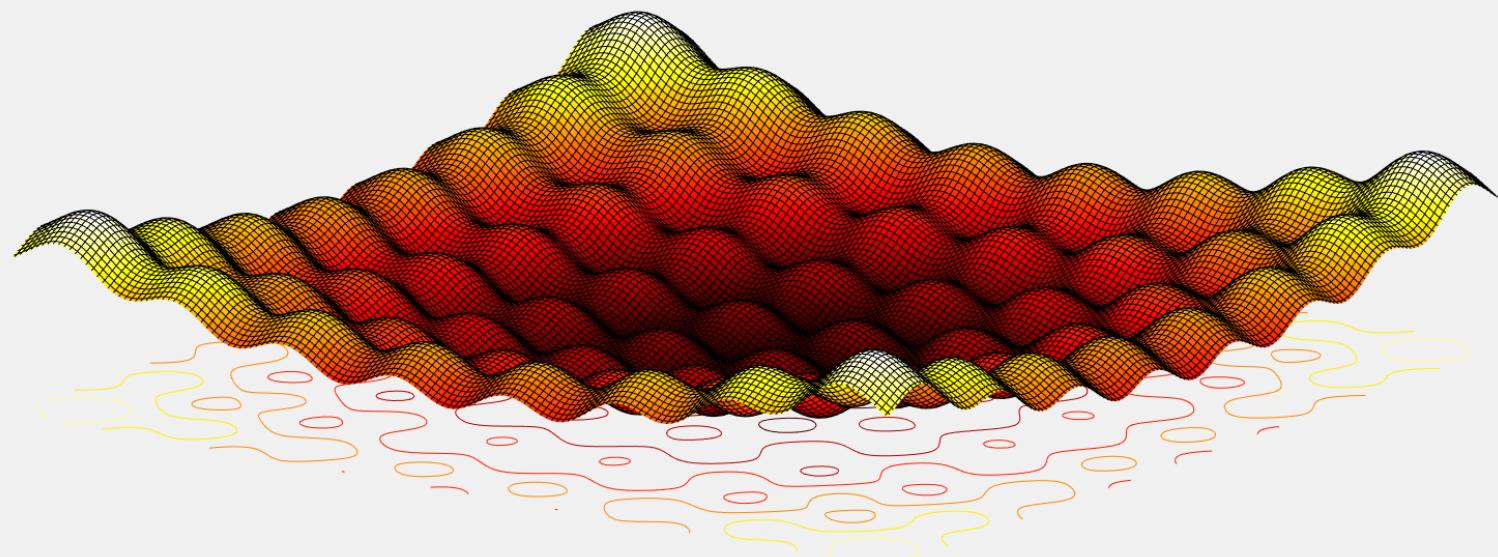
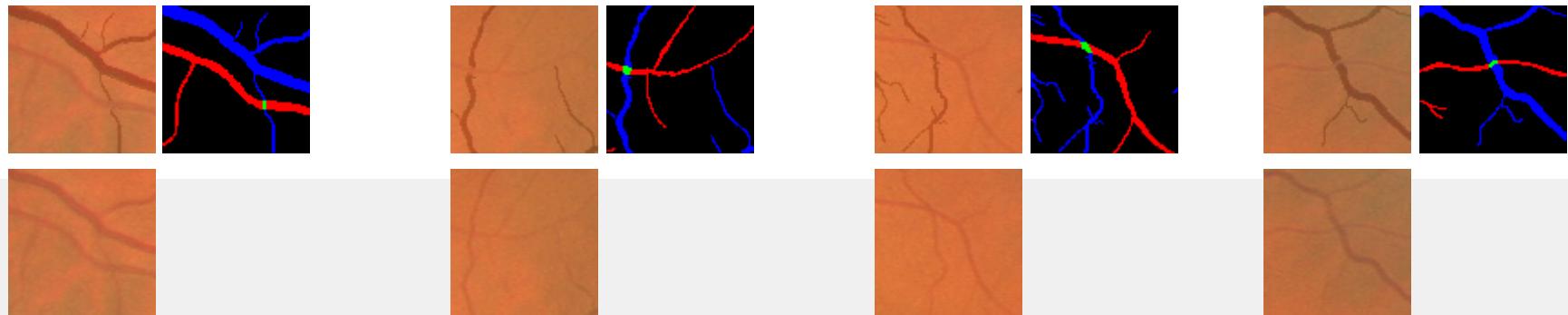
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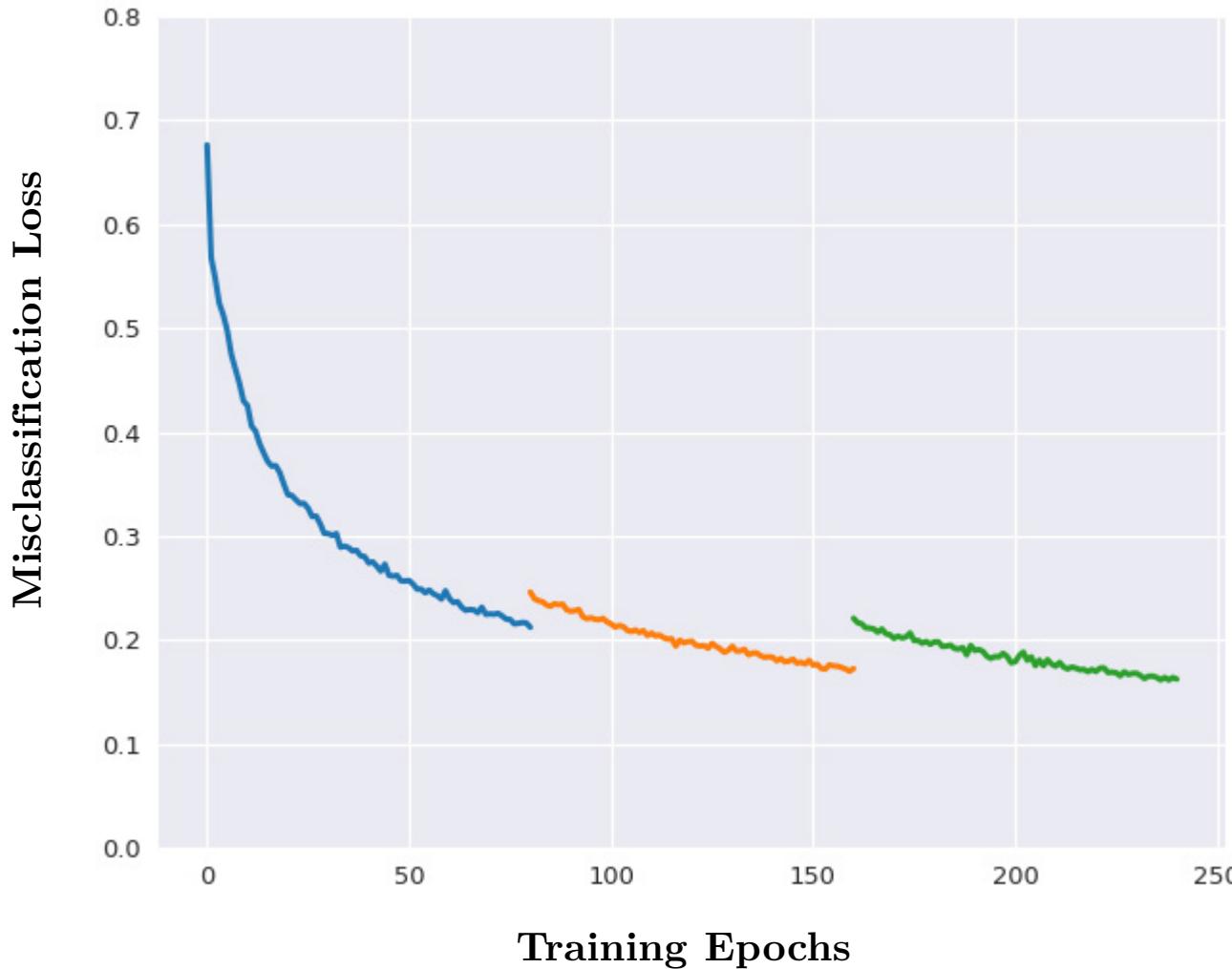
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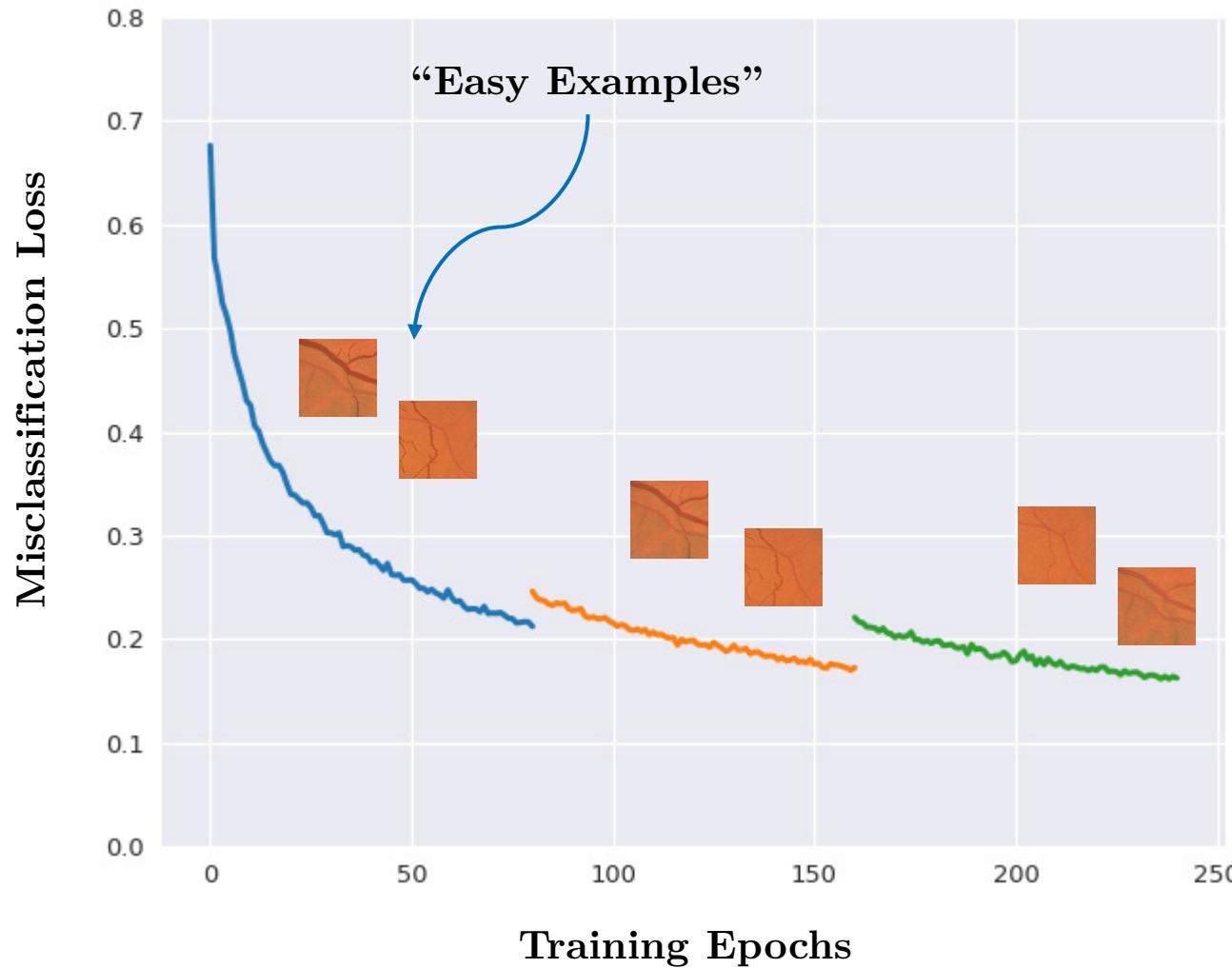
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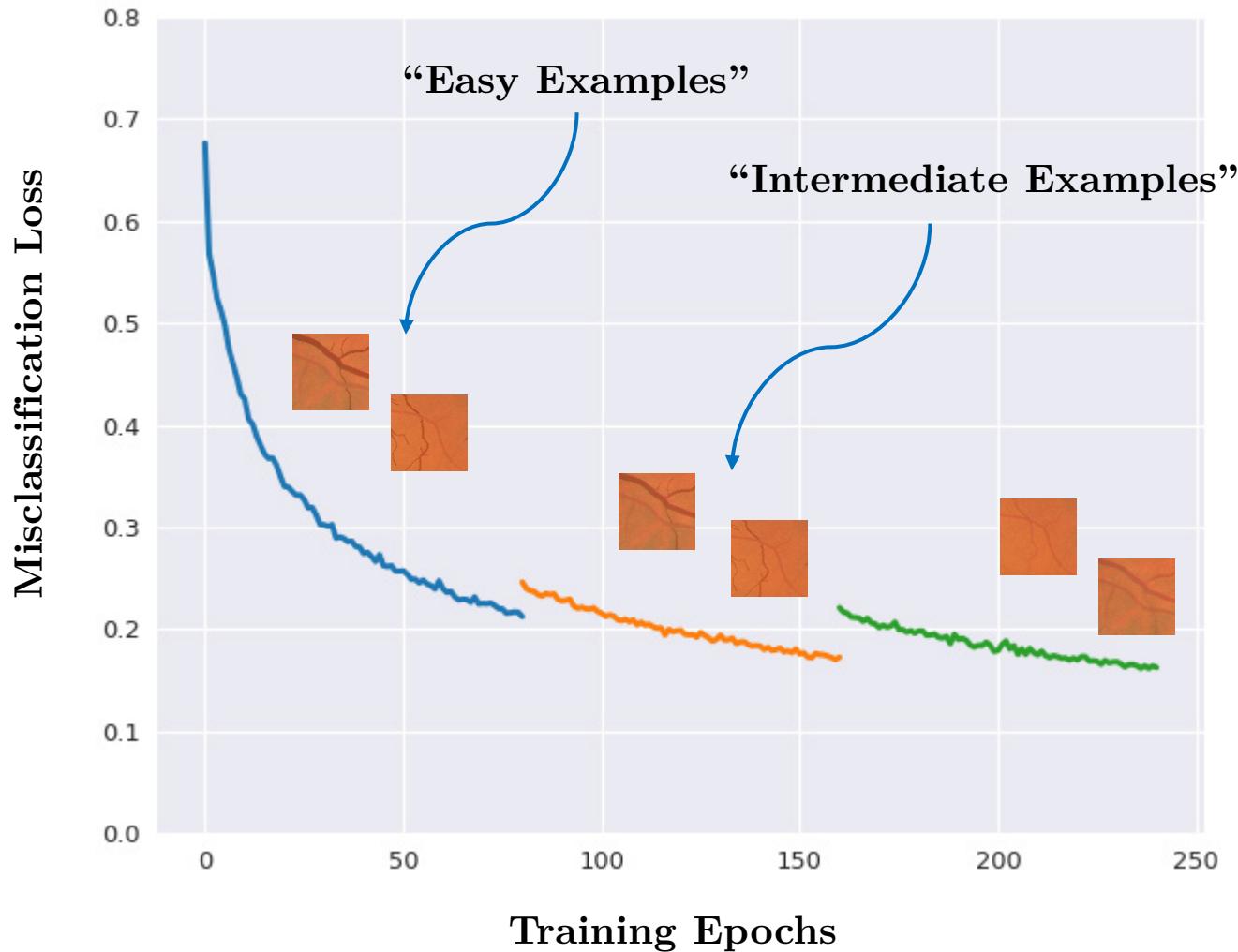
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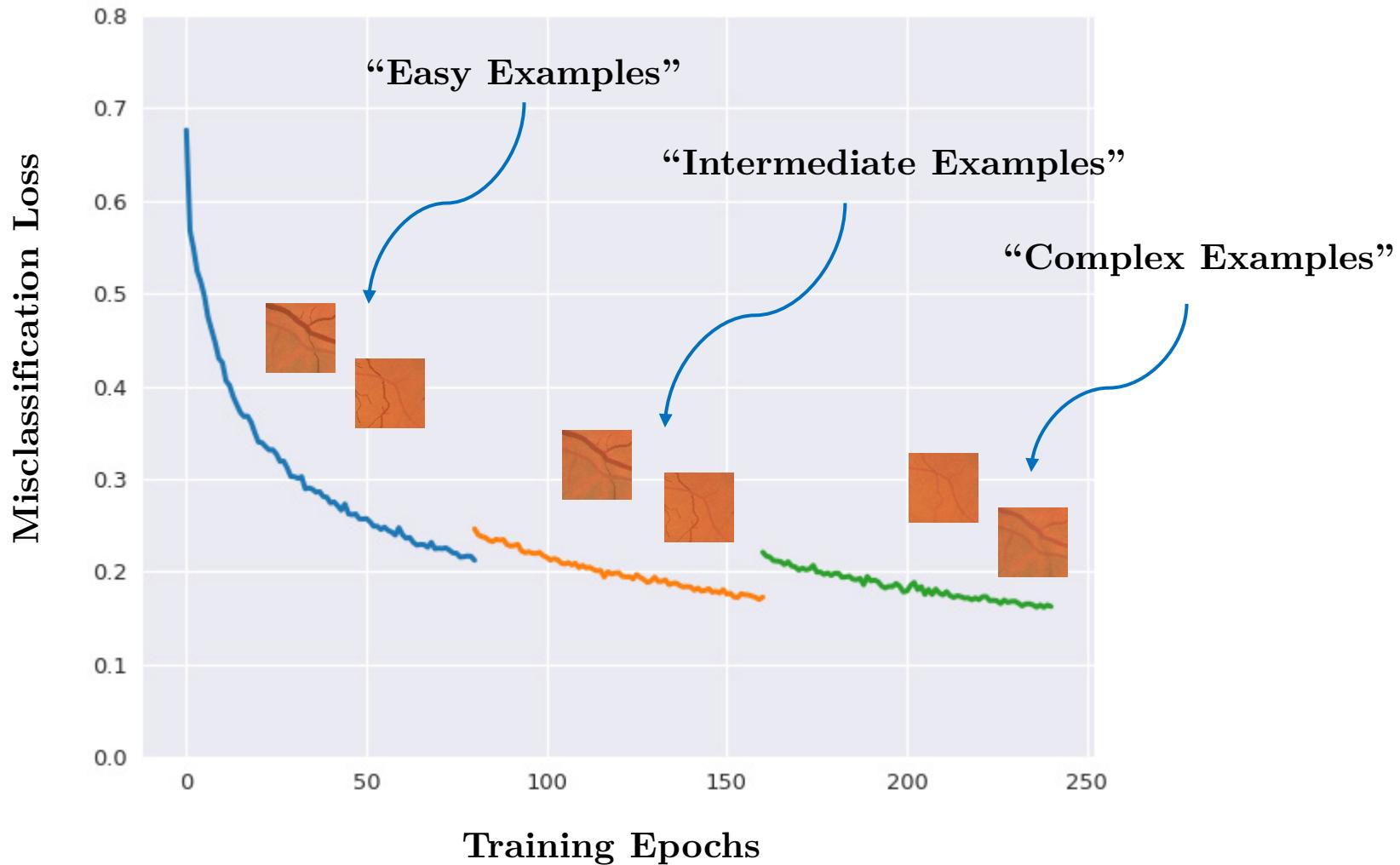
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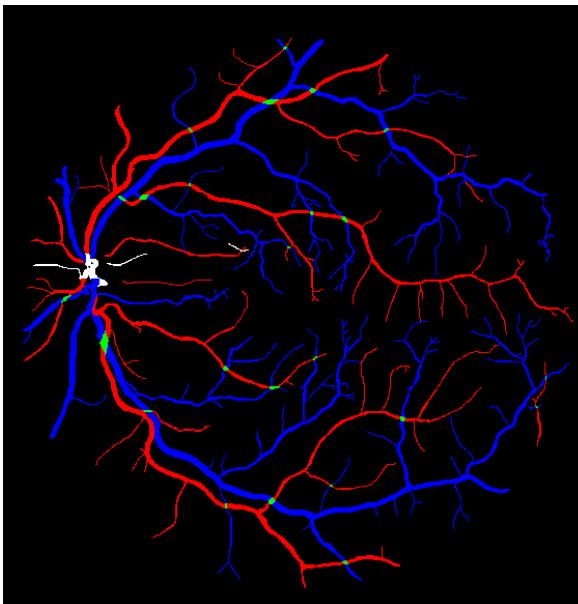
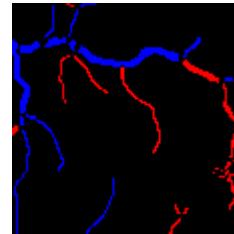
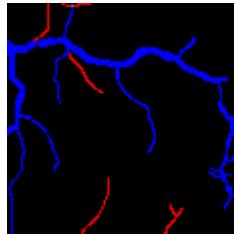
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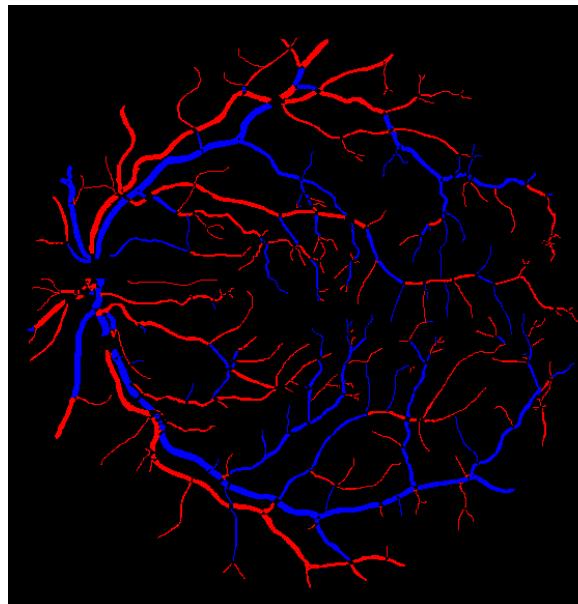
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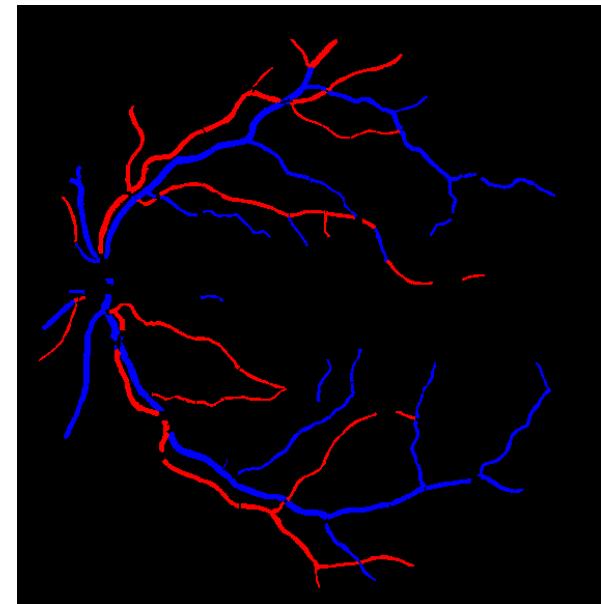
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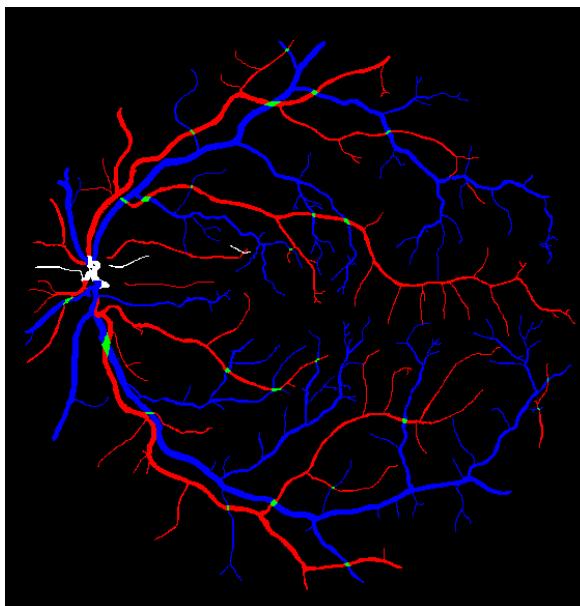
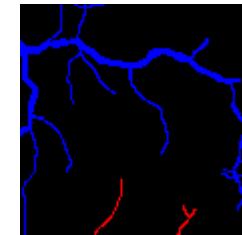
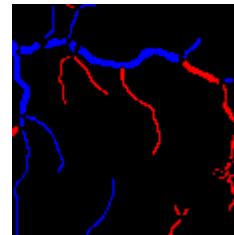
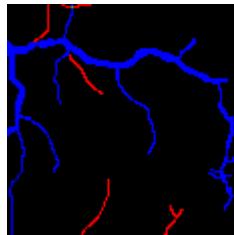


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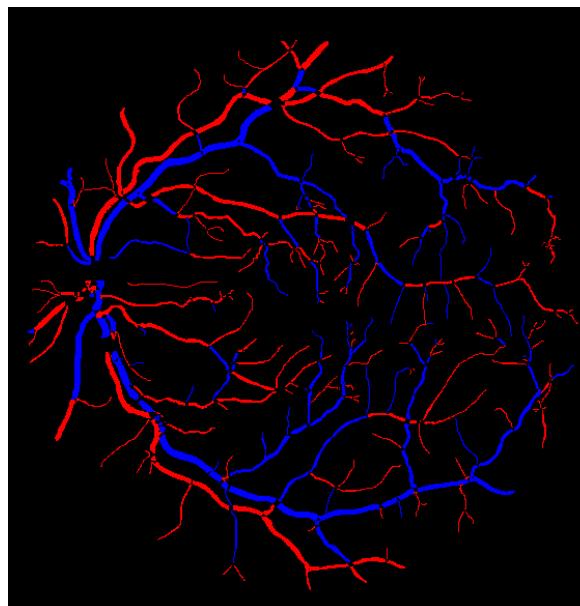
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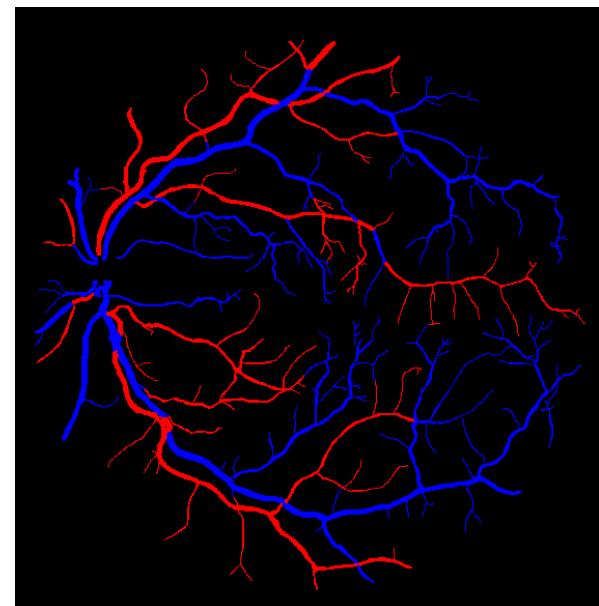
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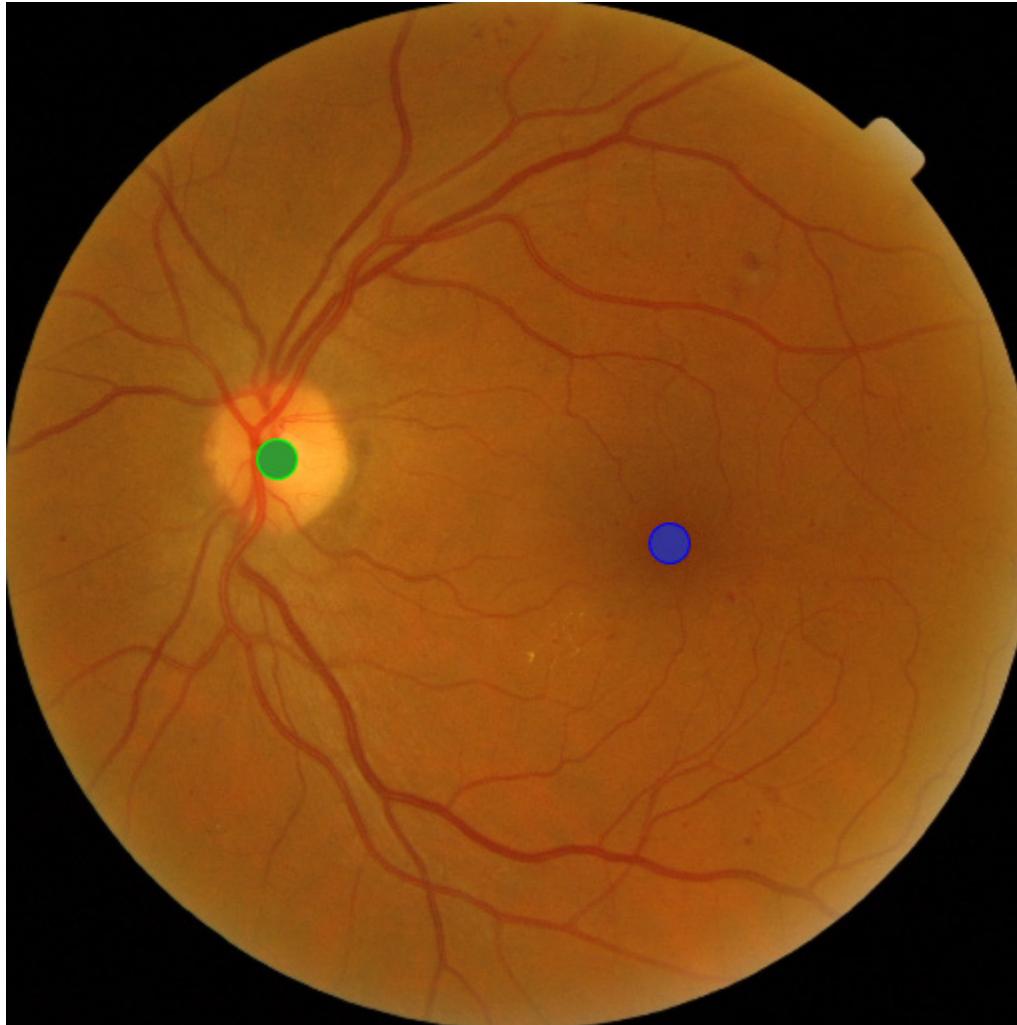
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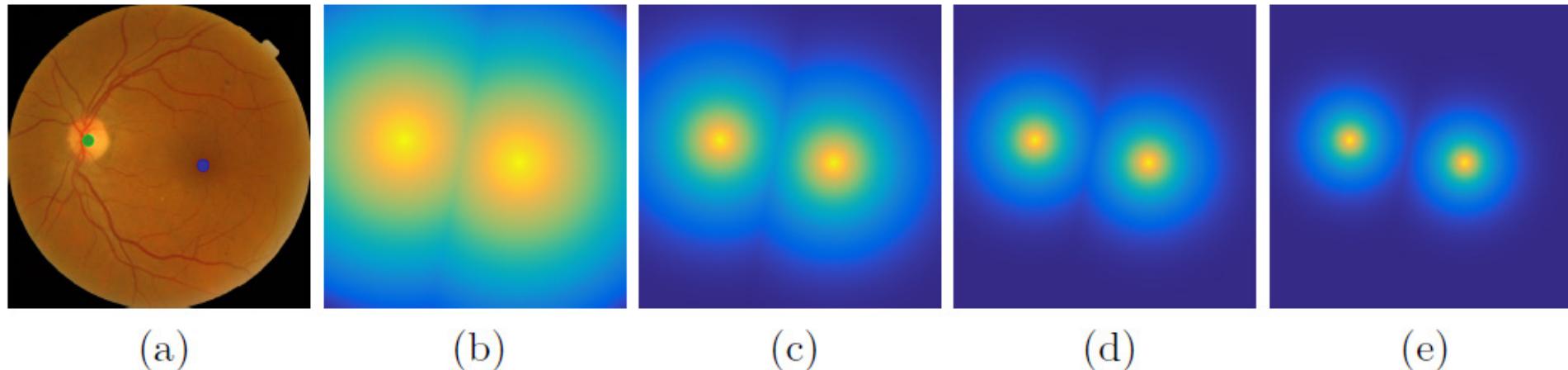
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This would be hard to solve with a classification/detection approach

But since we are looking for “**consistently located**” anatomical landmarks, we can turn the problem into a pixel-wise regression task:

$$\mathcal{B}(x, y) = \min \left( \sqrt{(x - x_{od})^2 + (y - y_{od})^2}, \sqrt{(x - x_{fov})^2 + (y - y_{fov})^2} \right)$$

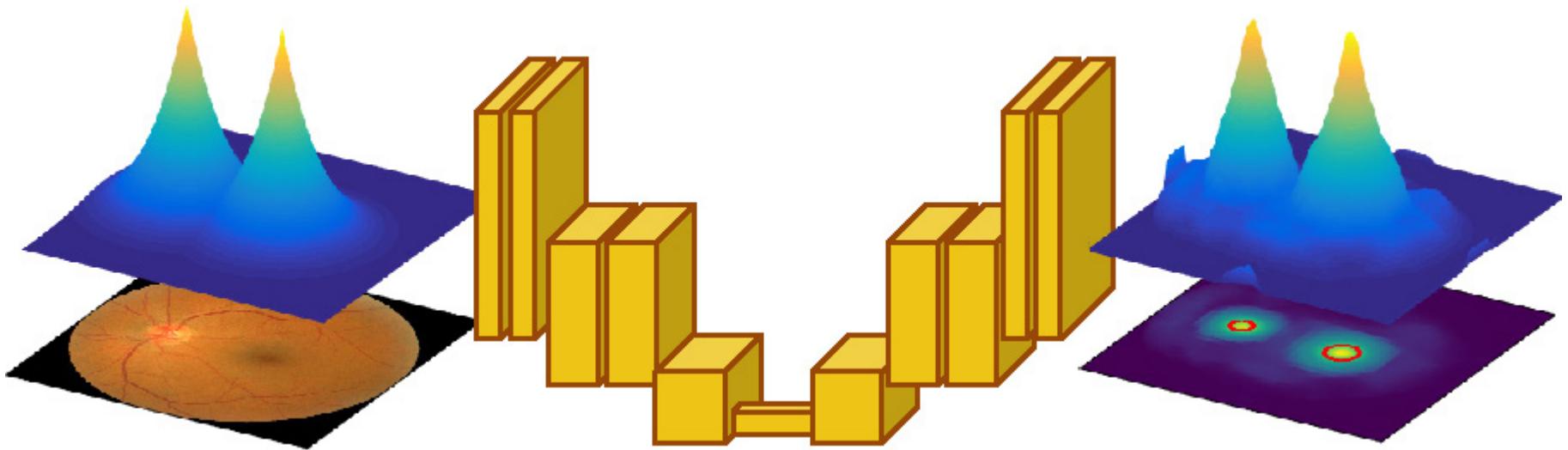
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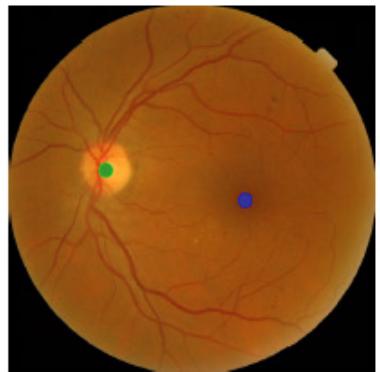
Now, each pixel contributes its bit of information to obtain a globally consistent result:

$$\mathcal{L}_{reg}(\theta) = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{x,y \in \Omega} \|\mathcal{U}_\theta(x, y) - \mathcal{B}^N(x, y)\|^2$$

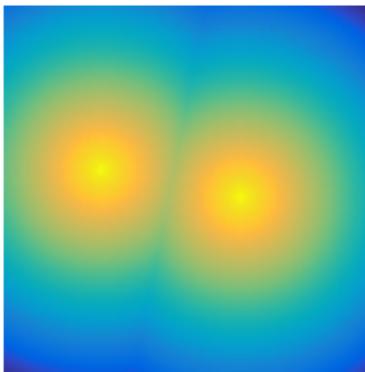


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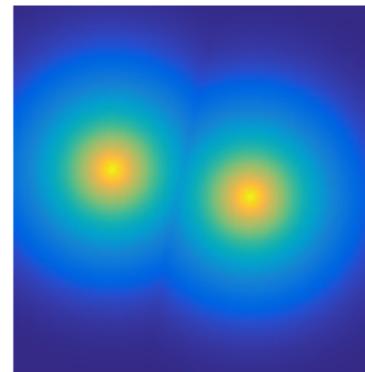
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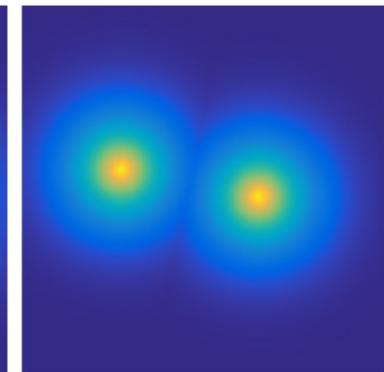
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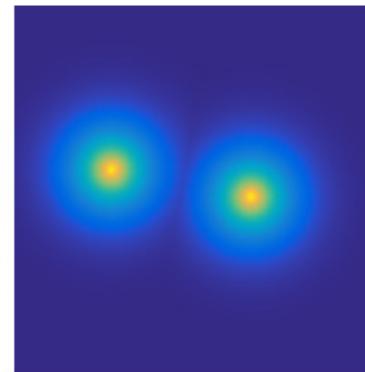
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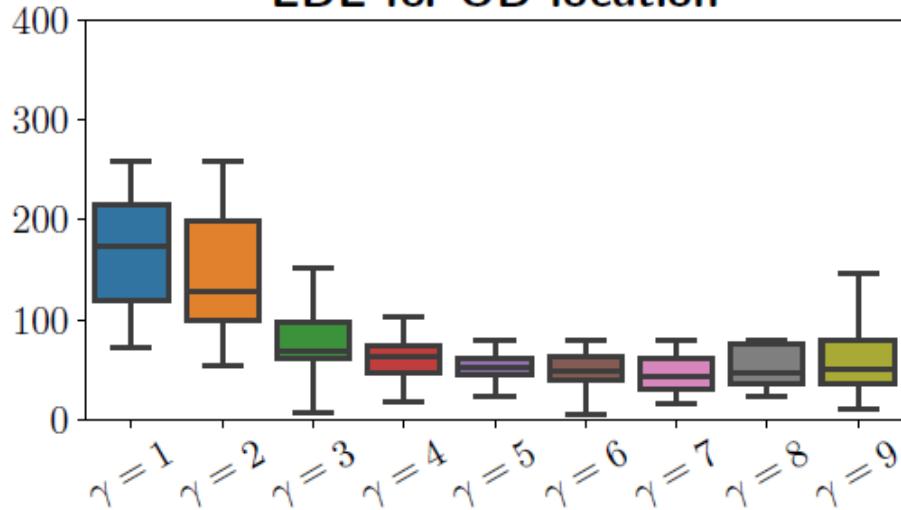


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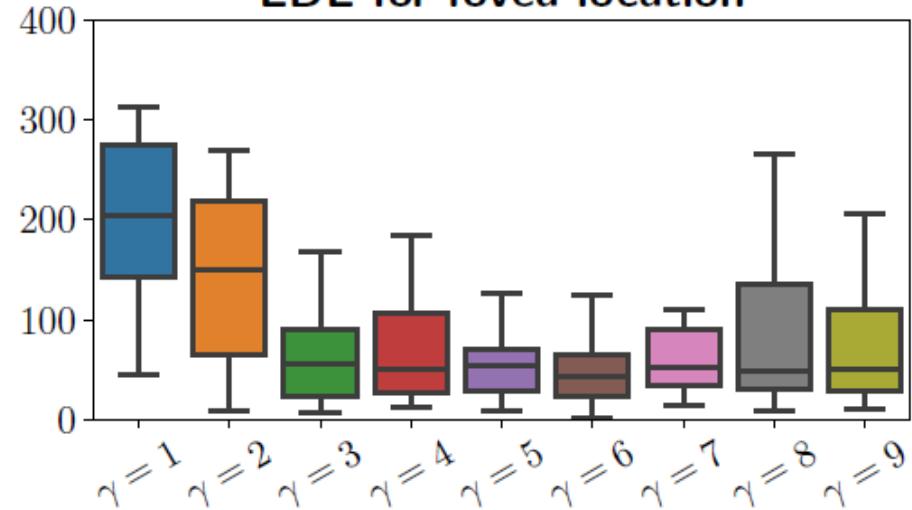


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EDE for OD location



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It more or less works well 😊

**Table 1.** Performance comparison of the proposed model on OD and fovea detection.

Optic Disc Detection	No. Images	1/8R	1/4R	1/2R	1R	$\bar{D}_{FOV}$	$\bar{D}_R$
Al-Bander et al. [2]	1200	—	83.6	95.00	97.00	—	—
Yu et al. [16]	1200	—	—	99.08	98.24	—	—
Marin et al. [9]	1200	87.33	97.75	99.50	99.75	—	7.03
Proposed Approach	1136	68.84	94.01	97.18	98.94	1.17	15.70
Fovea Detection							
Gegundez-Arias et al. [6]	800	82.00	94.25	95.88	96.50	1.41	—
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Niemeijer et al. [10]	800	76.88	93.25	96.00	97.38	1.87	—
Dashtbozorg et al. [3]	1200	—	66.50	93.75	98.87	—	—
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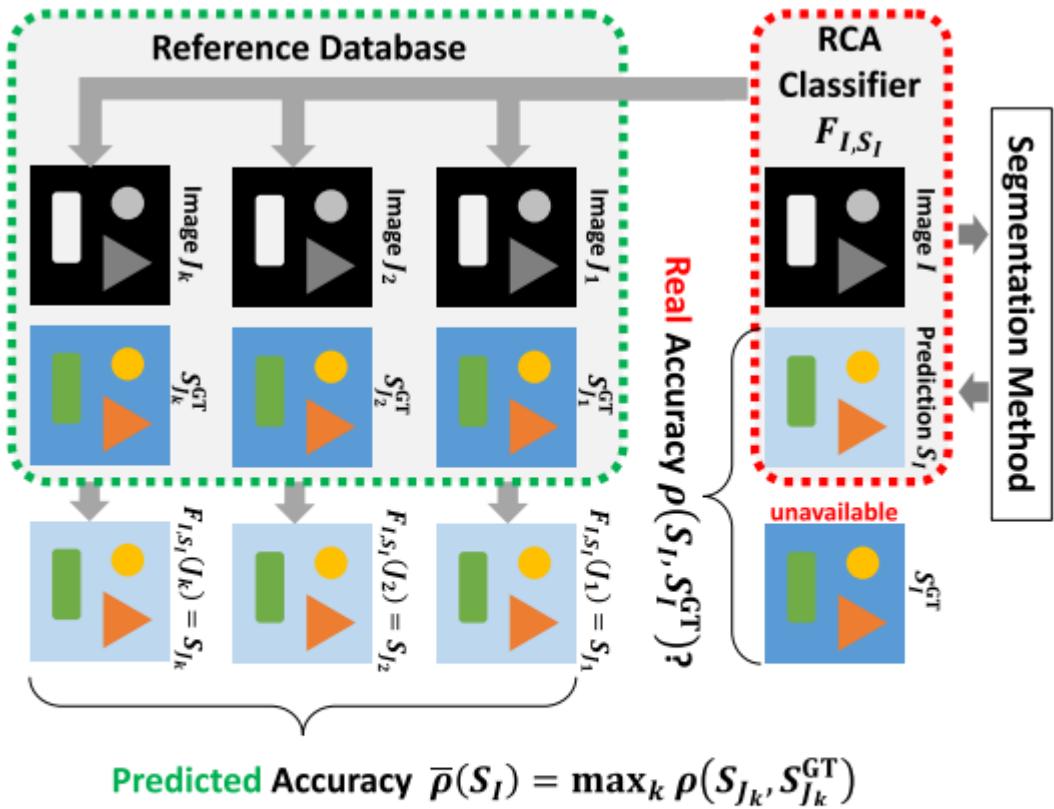
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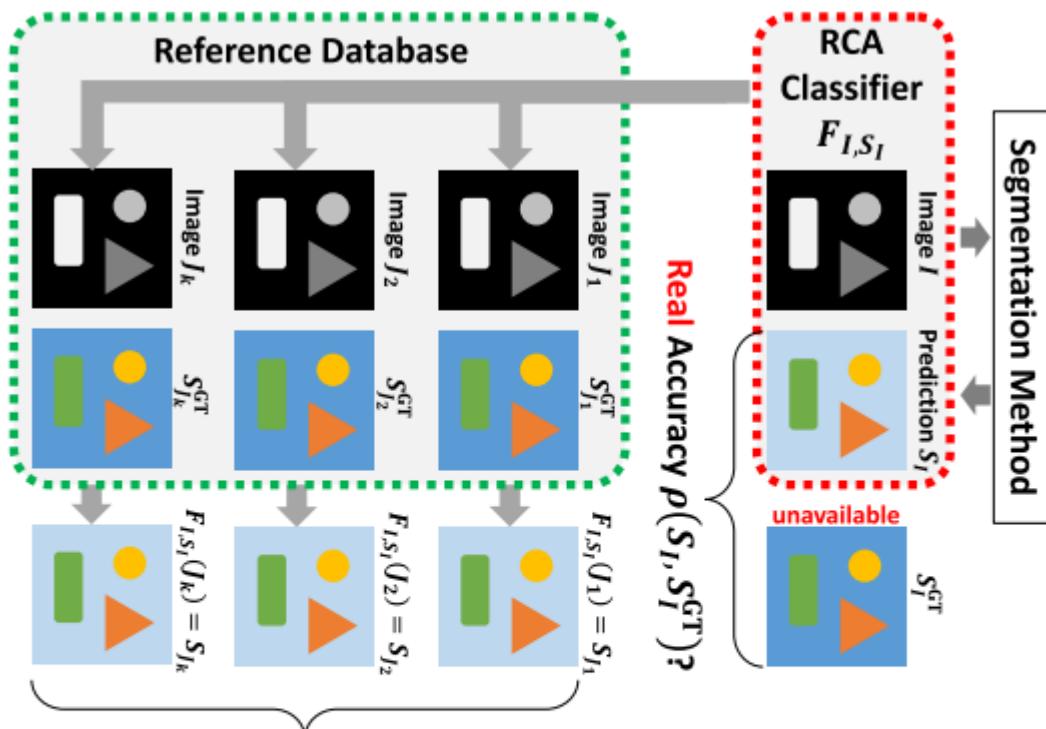
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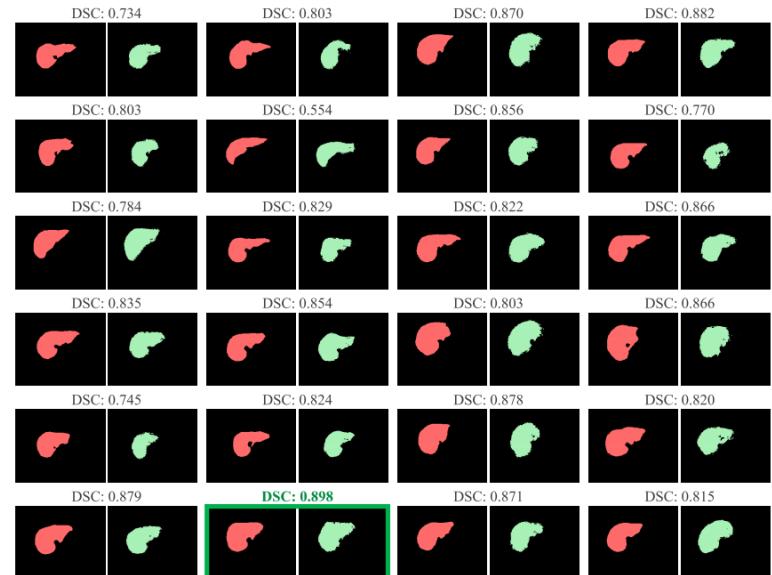
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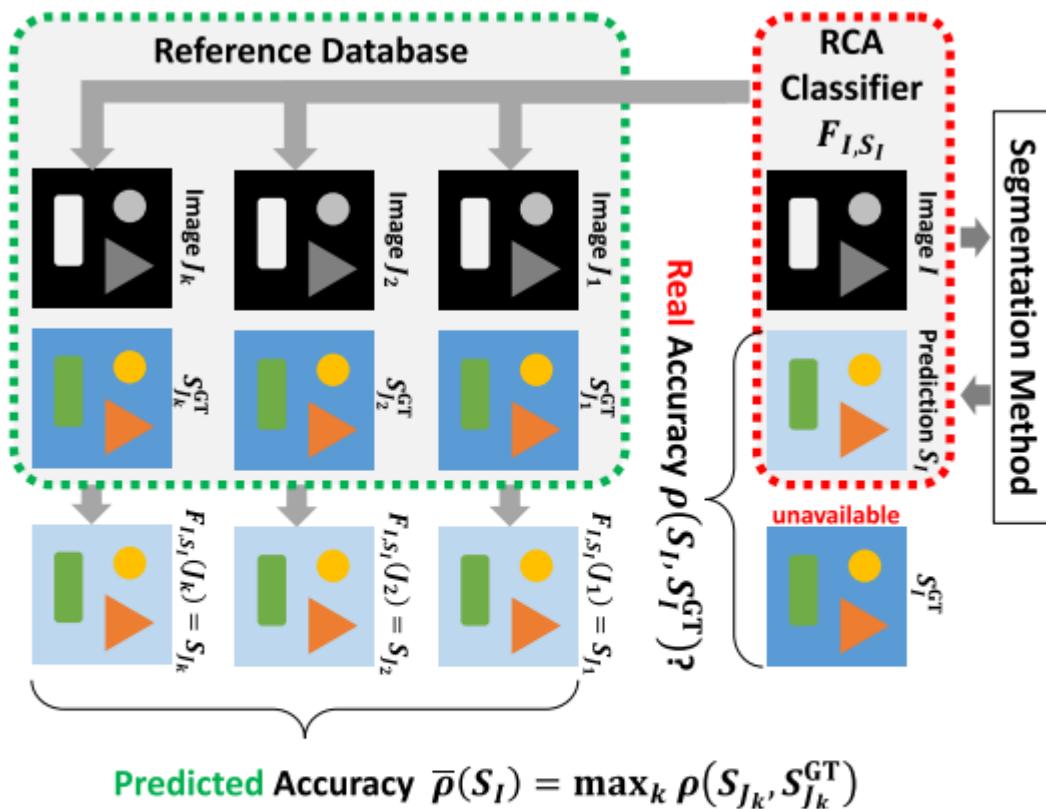
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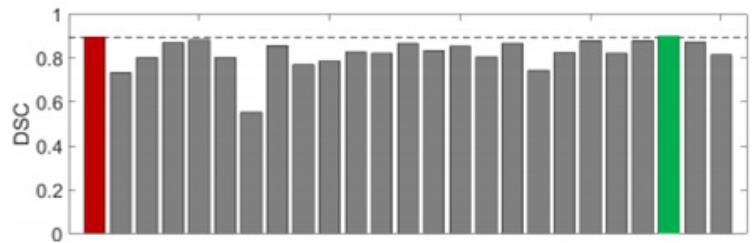
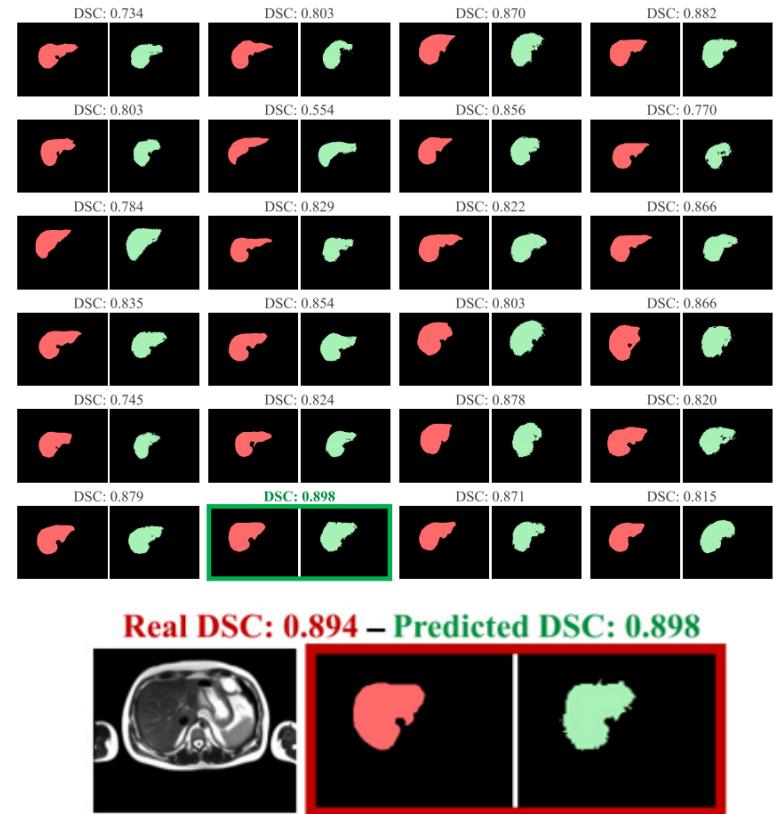


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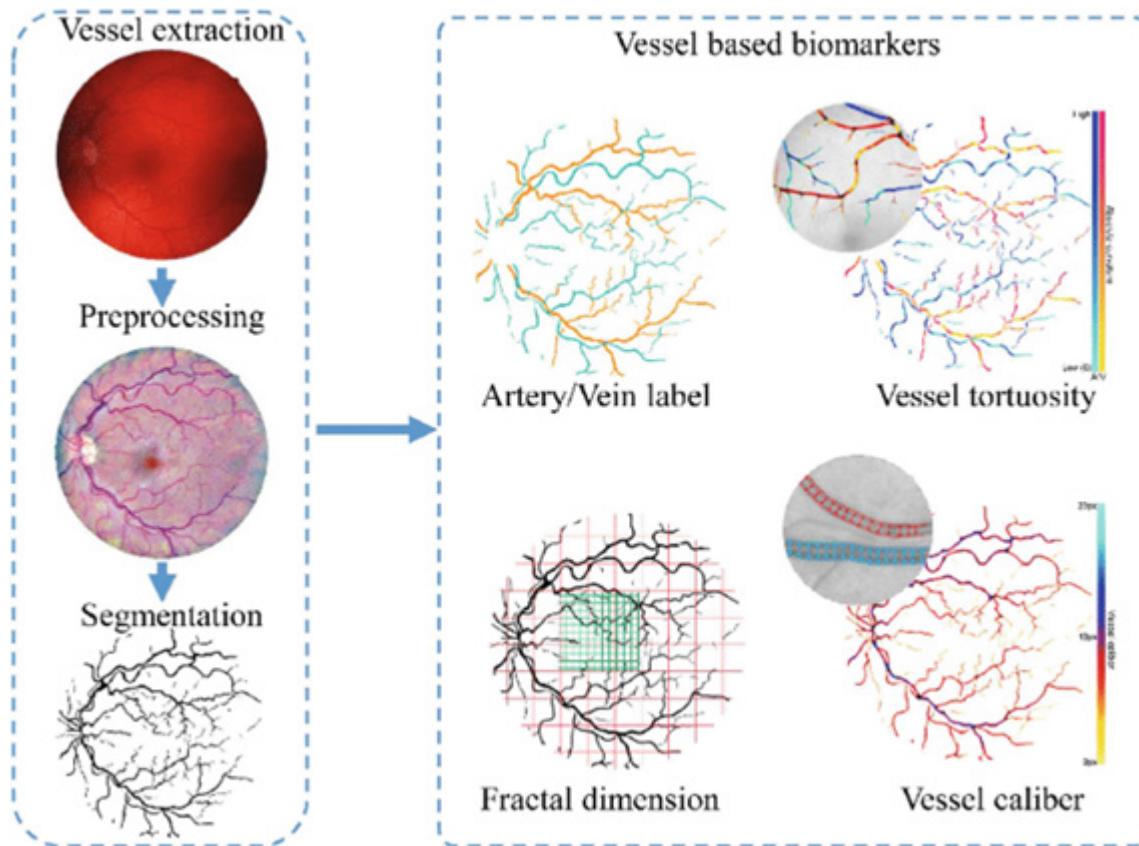
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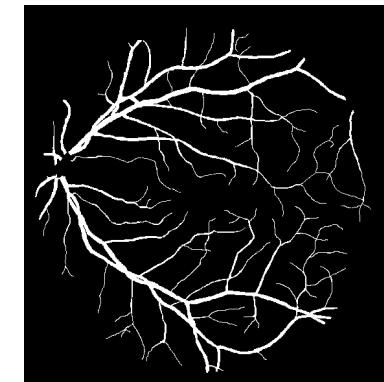
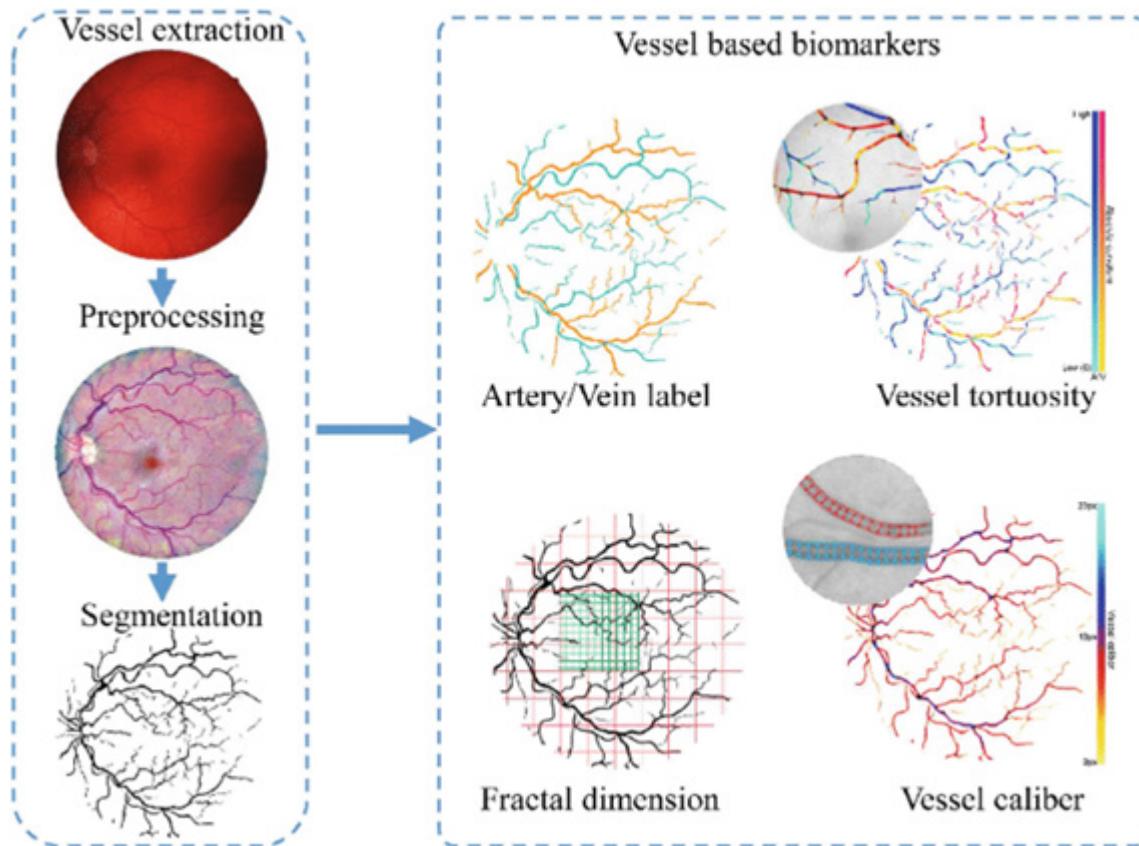
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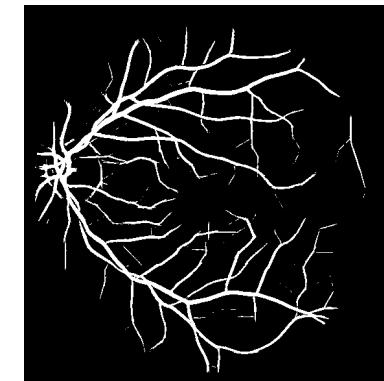
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Manual



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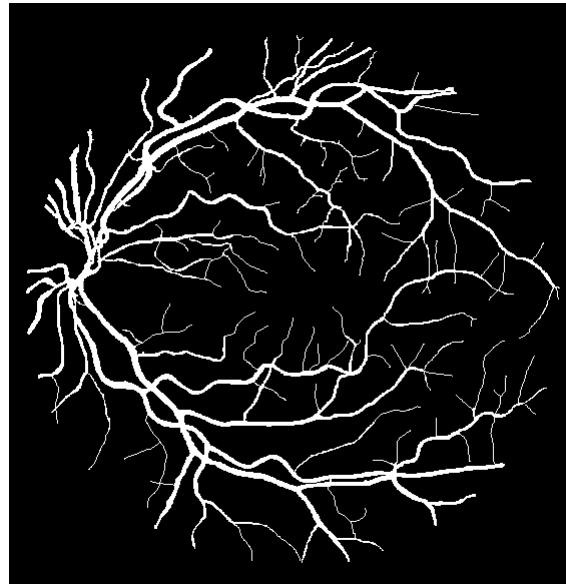
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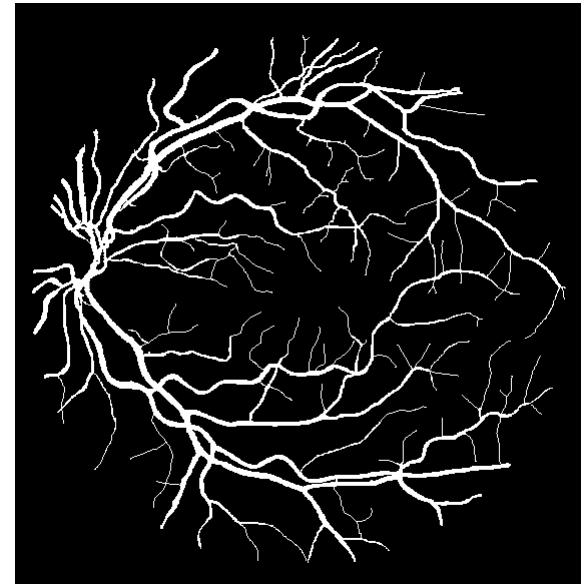
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Do Nothing



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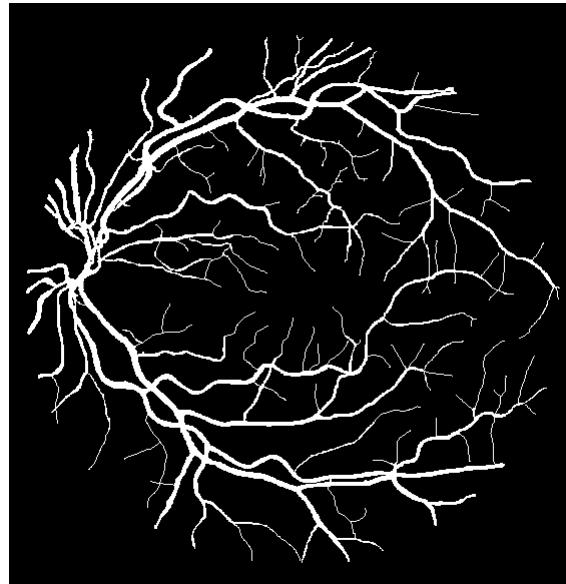


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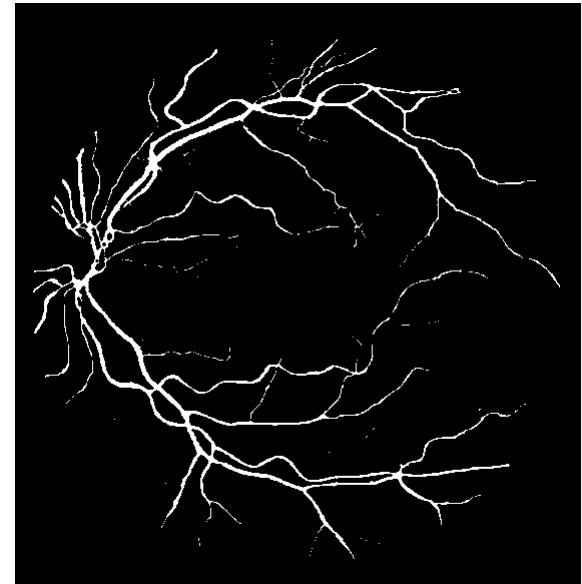
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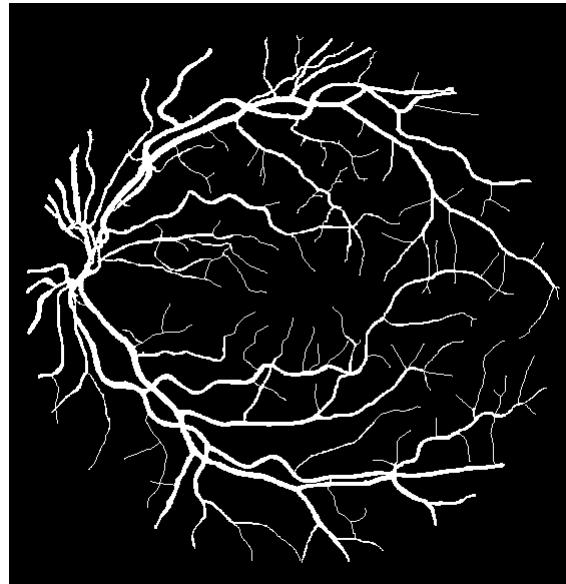


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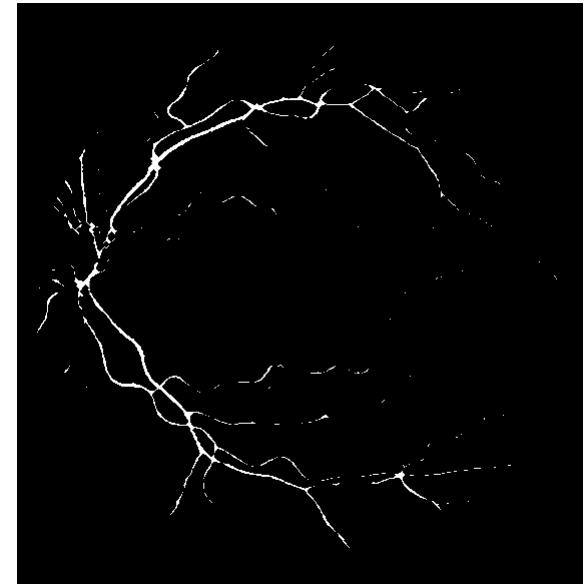
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Disk(2) - erosion



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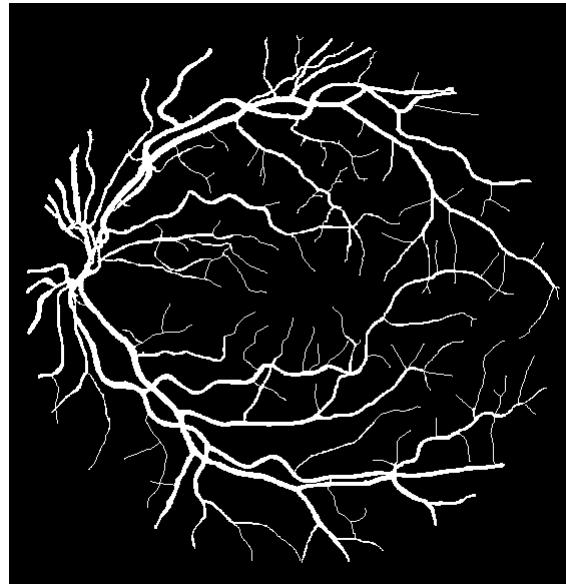


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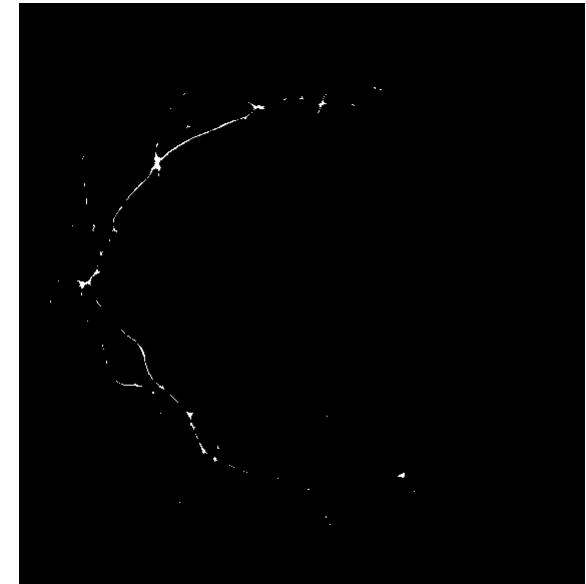
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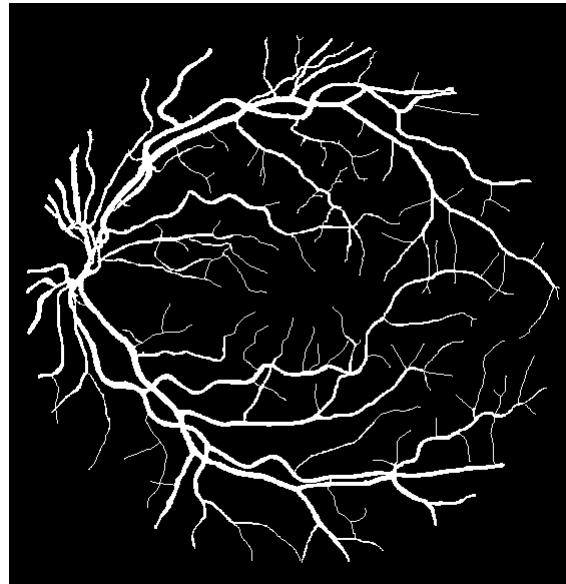


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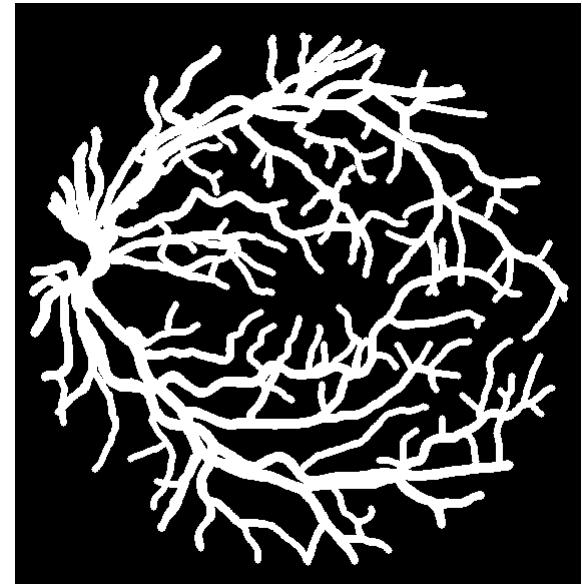
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Disk(3) - dilation



$$MI(v_1, v_2) = 0.315$$



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The Data:

$$\deg(v) = \begin{cases} v, & \text{for } 0 \leq p < \frac{1}{5} \\ \mathcal{N}, & \text{for } \frac{1}{5} \leq p < \frac{2}{5} \\ \mathcal{M}(v), & \text{for } \frac{2}{5} \leq p \leq 1, \end{cases}$$

where  $p \sim \mathcal{U}(0, 1)$ ,  $\mathcal{N} \equiv$  impulse noise, and  $\mathcal{M}$  is a stochastic morphological operator that performs a random number of local degradations.

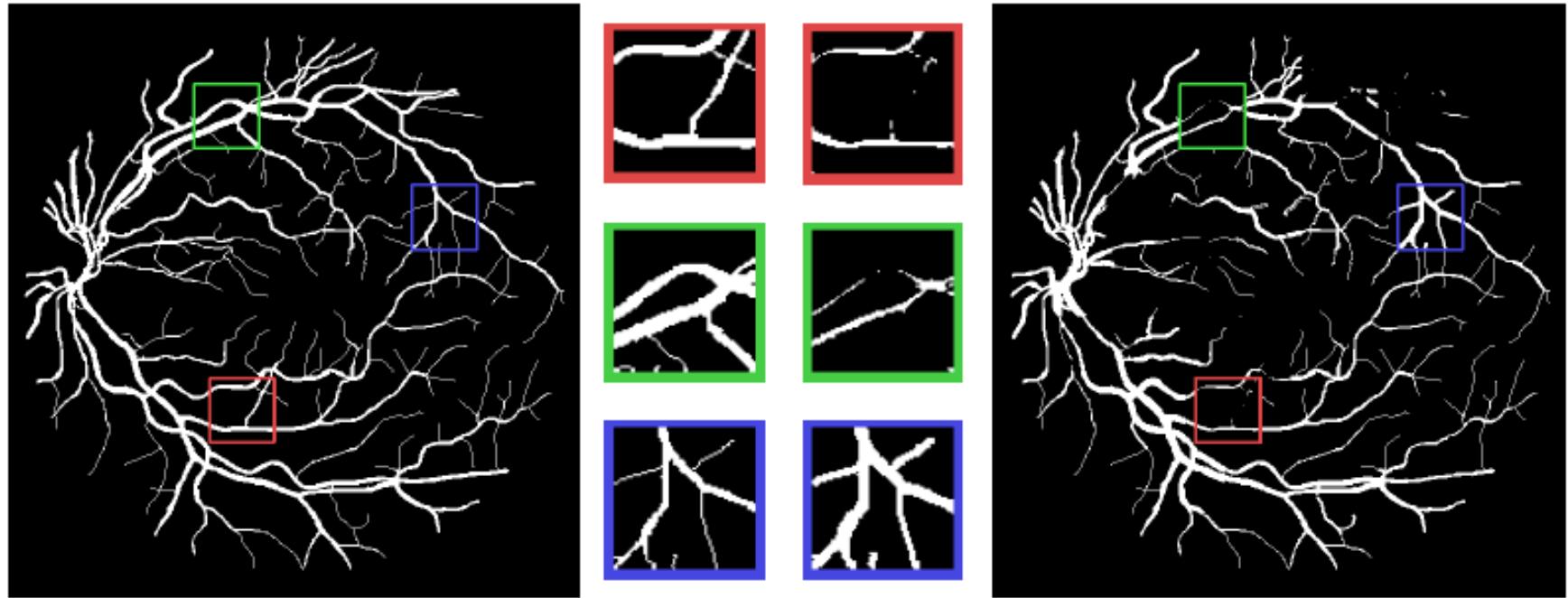
$$\mathcal{M}(\bar{v}) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{E}_s(\bar{v}), & \text{for } 0 \leq p < \frac{1}{2} \\ \mathcal{D}_s(\bar{v}), & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

where  $\mathcal{E}_s$  and  $\mathcal{D}_s$  are morphological erosion and dilation operators, specified by a square structuring element  $s$  of a size of 3, 5, or 7 at each step.

The structuring element is itself randomly built according to a Bernoulli distribution with  $p = 0.5$  at each pixel position. Once  $\bar{v}$  has been artificially degraded, it is stored back at its original location in  $v$ .

## 4. Retinal Vessel Map Quality Assessment

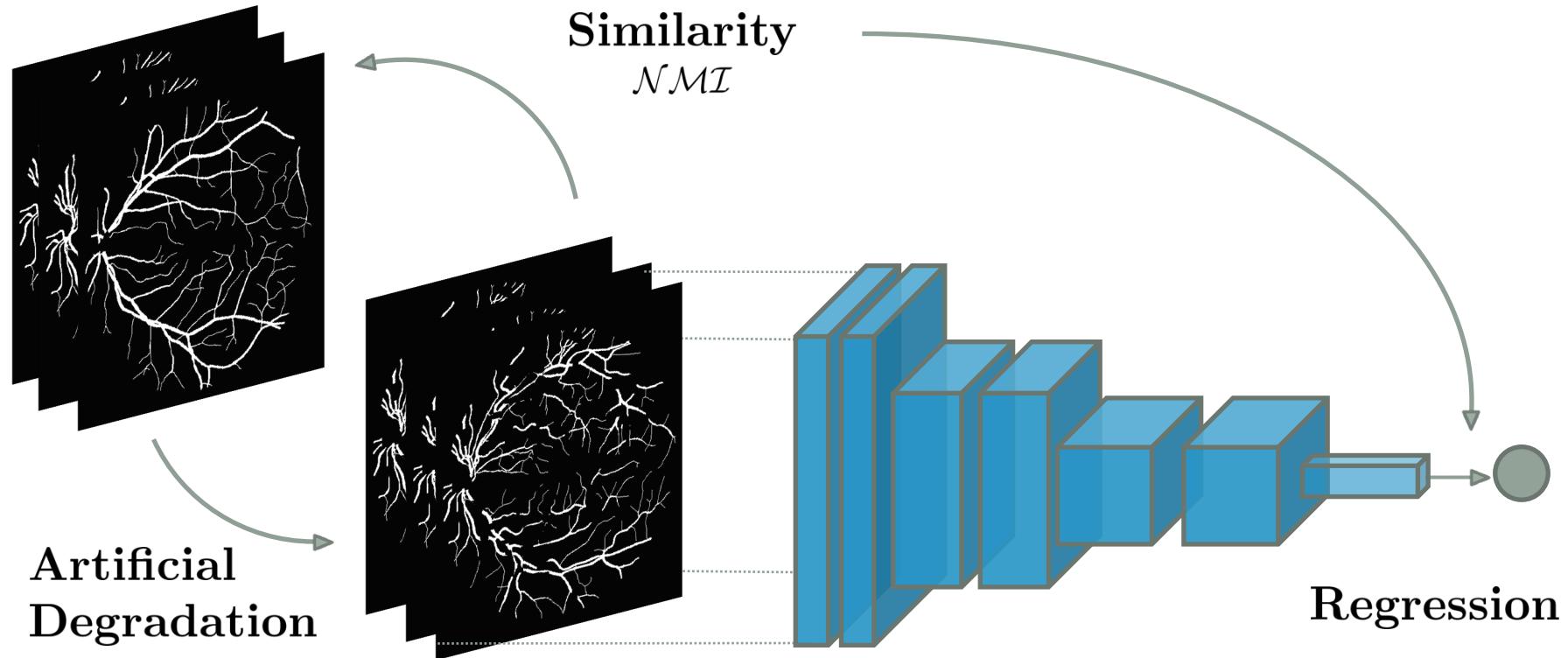
The Data:



Manual vessel tree delineations can be obtained from whichever dataset meant to train vessel segmentation models

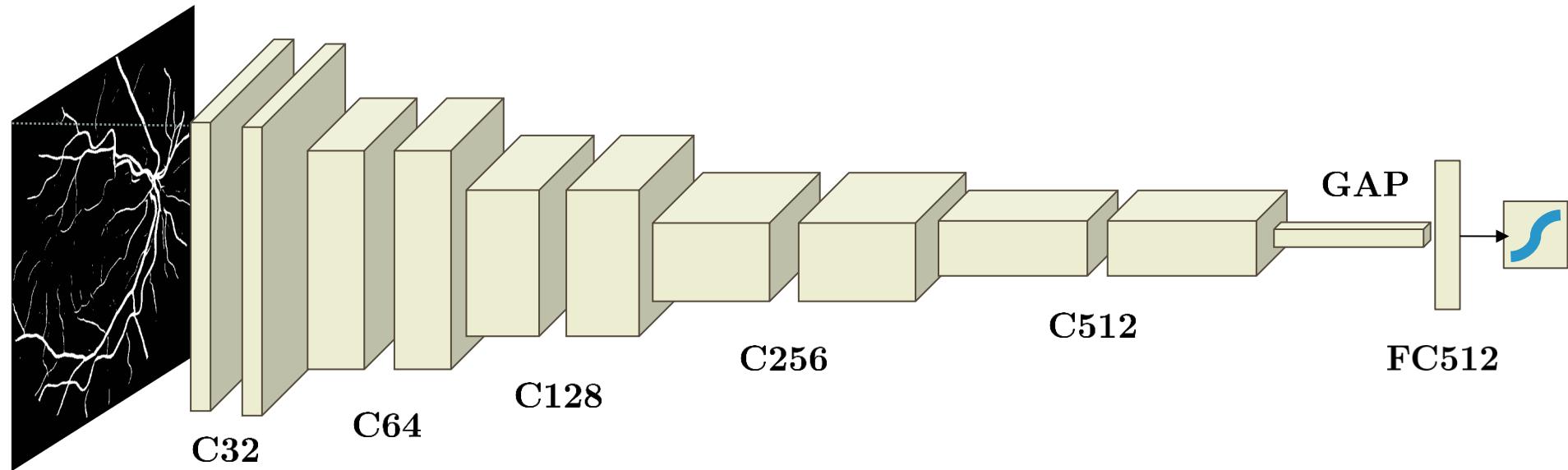
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The Idea:

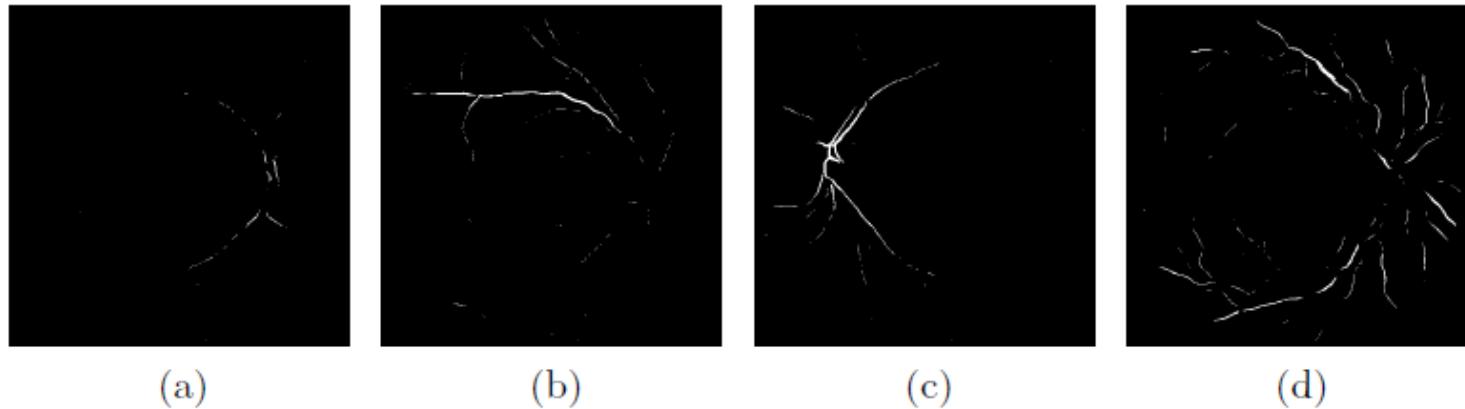


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The Model:

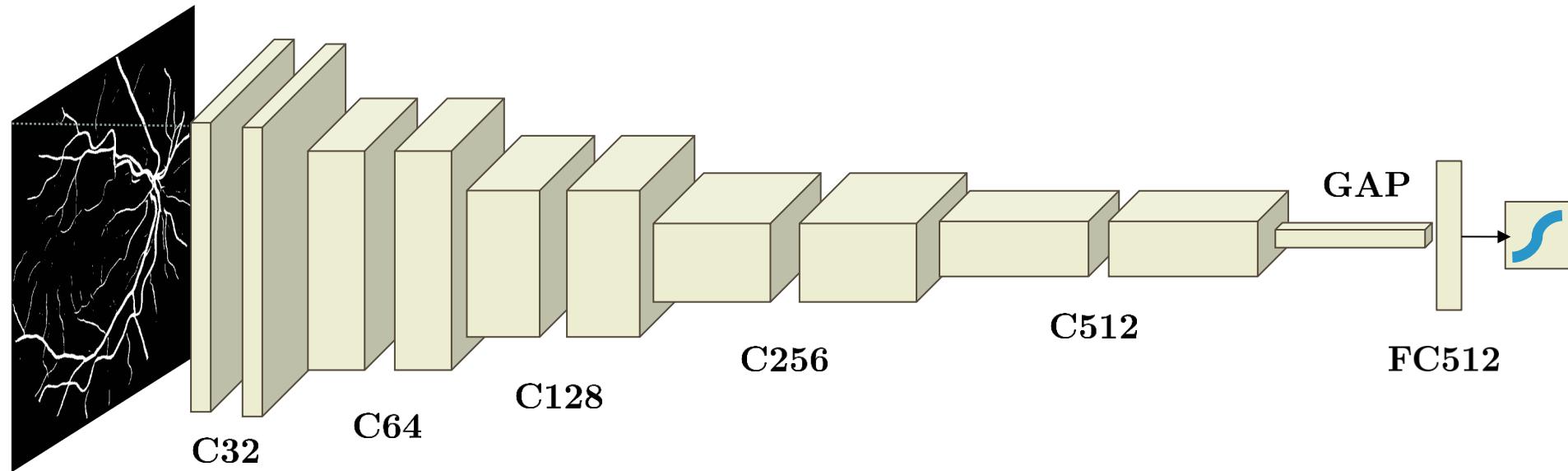


Qualitative  
Results:

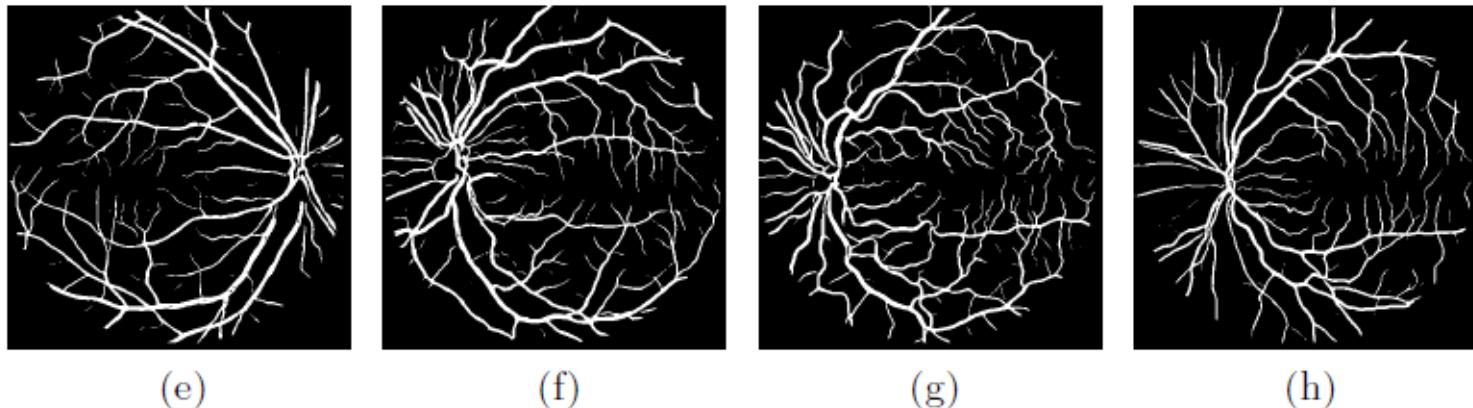


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The Model:



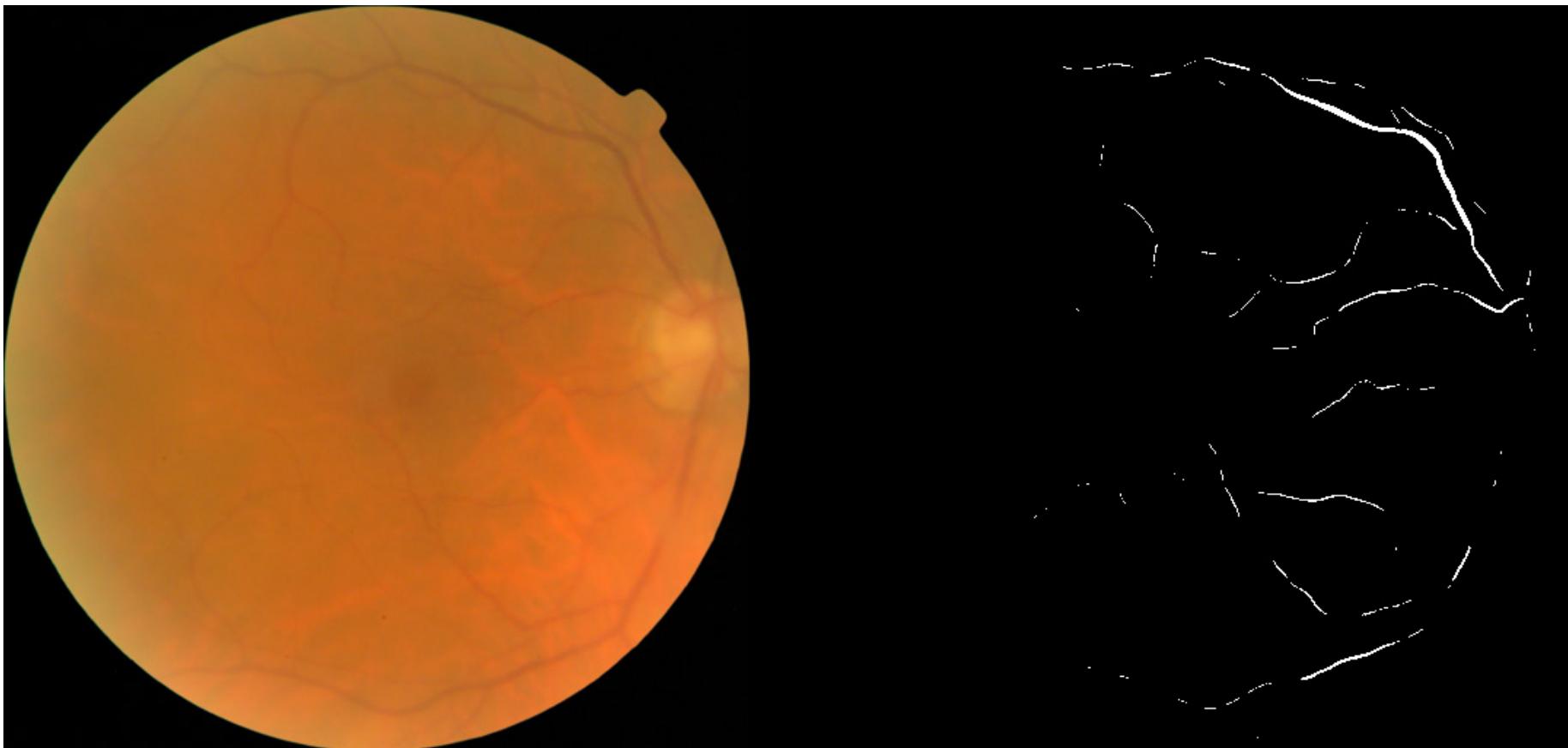
Qualitative  
Results:



## 4. Retinal Vessel Map Quality Assessment

Results (qualitative for now):

Worst Scores actually come from hard (low-quality) images

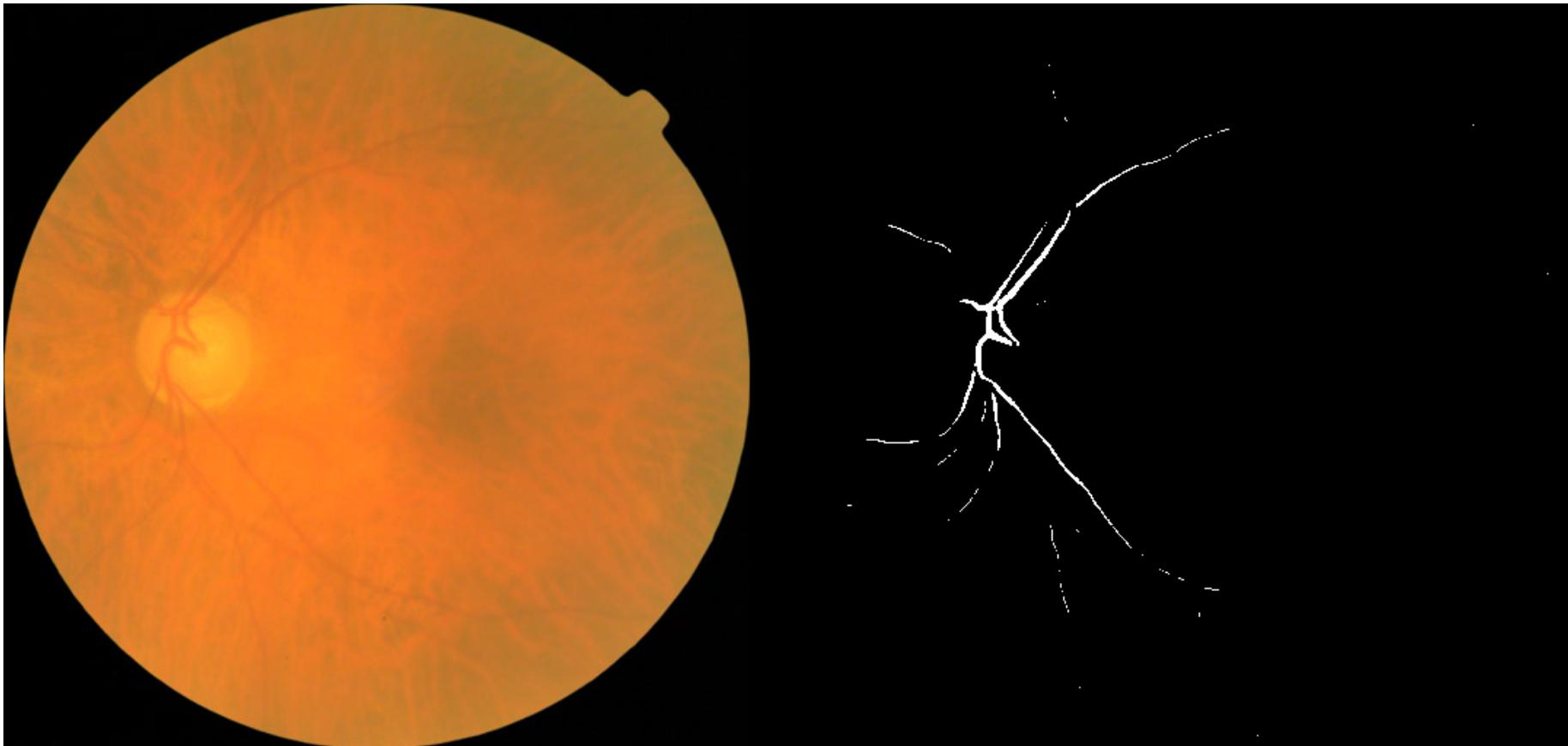


$$s = 0.676$$

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Results (qualitative for now):

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$$s = 0.715$$

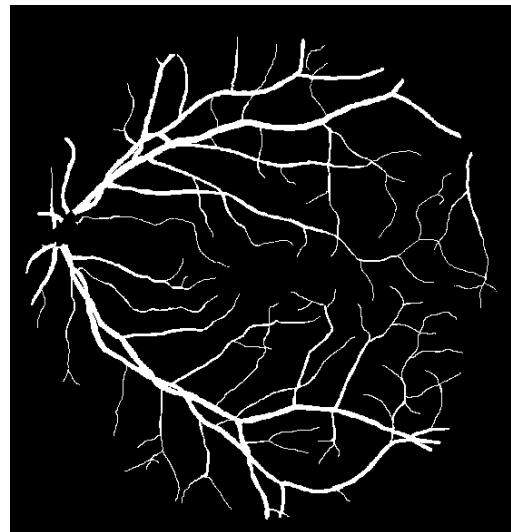
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A straightforward application:

Find an optimal **per-image** threshold to build binary segmentations out of soft classifier predictions.



Input



Ground – Truth

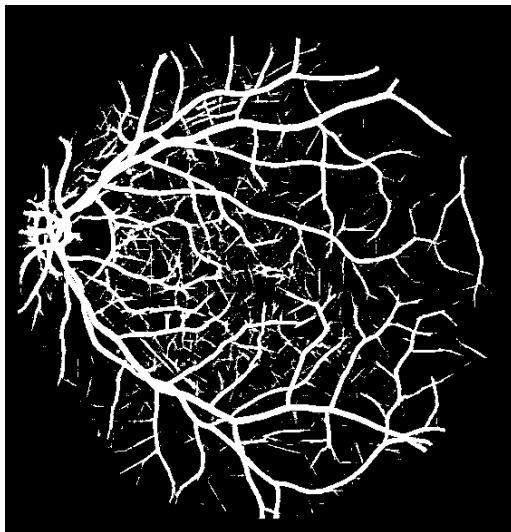


Probability Map

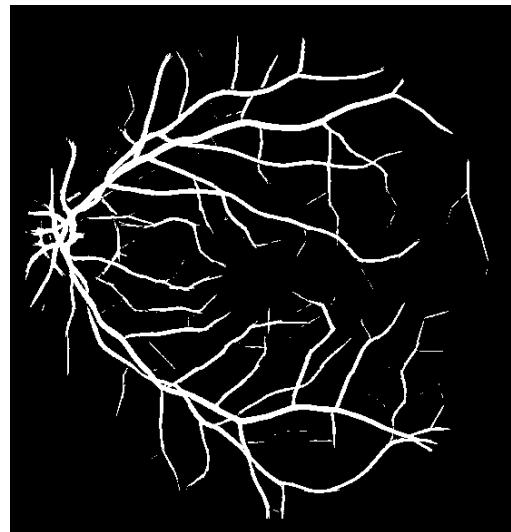
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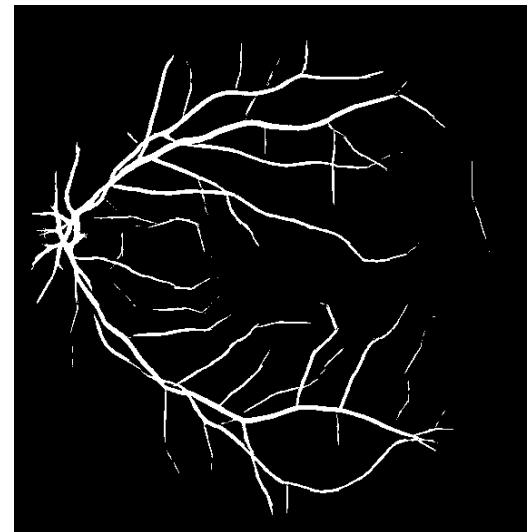
Find an optimal **per-image** threshold to build binary segmentations out of soft classifier predictions.



$t > 20$



$t > 40$

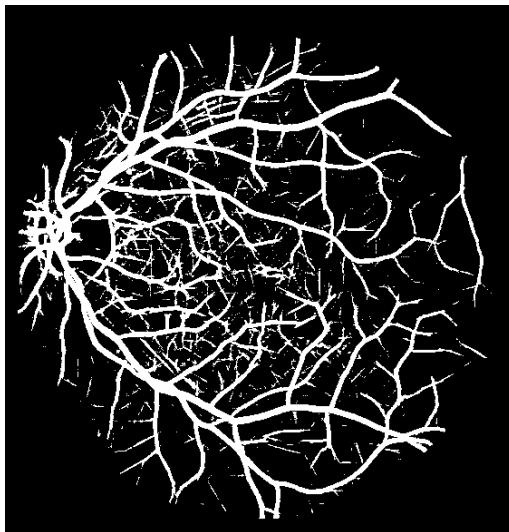


$t > 60$

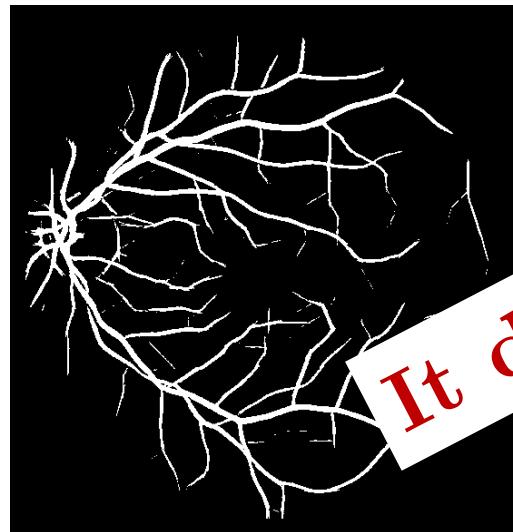
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Evaluation:

Does the score **correlate** with F1/MCC whenever **GT available**?

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In my opinion, this approach is not limited to a specific problem.

To me, the **key idea** here is:

Can you **simulate the kind of artifacts** that you see in your specific class of images?  
Then you can train a **quality score** by **regressing the similarity** of synthetically degraded images and original ones.

**Next Natural Idea (extension):**

Simulate color distortions and wrong illumination on retinal images, inspect similarity in terms of SSIM or any other full-reference metric.

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