



CONTOUR DETECTION

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- II. Previous Work
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- IV. Results
- V. Application
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CHAPTER I



BACKGROUND

- Contour detection ➡ **fundamental** problem
- Our goal: achieve **BETTER** results
- Methodology:
 - Probability of Boundary
 - Sparse Code Gradient
 - Sketch Tokens

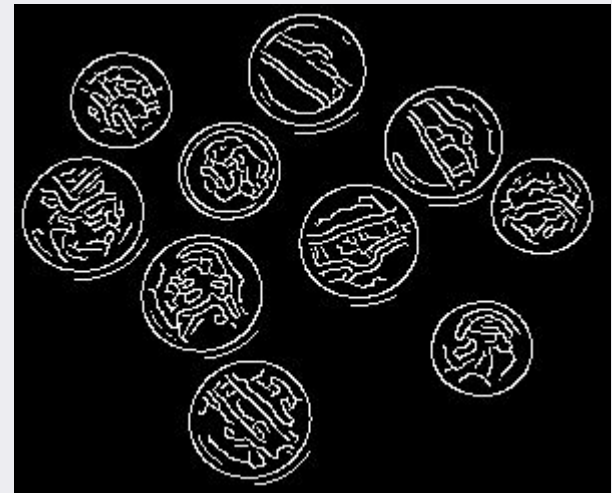


Fig. Example of canny edge detector

CHAPTER II



PREVIOUS WORK

- Early approaches: aimed at finding sharp discontinuities in the brightness channel.
- Recent approaches: estimate probability of boundary using changes in lightness, color and texture.

CHAPTER III



APPROACHES

- Three approaches implementations
 - I. Probability of Boundary
 - II. Sparse code gradient
 - III. Sketch tokens
 - Compare performances of three implementations
 - Applications based on resulted contour images

APPROACH I



PROBABILITY OF BOUNDARY

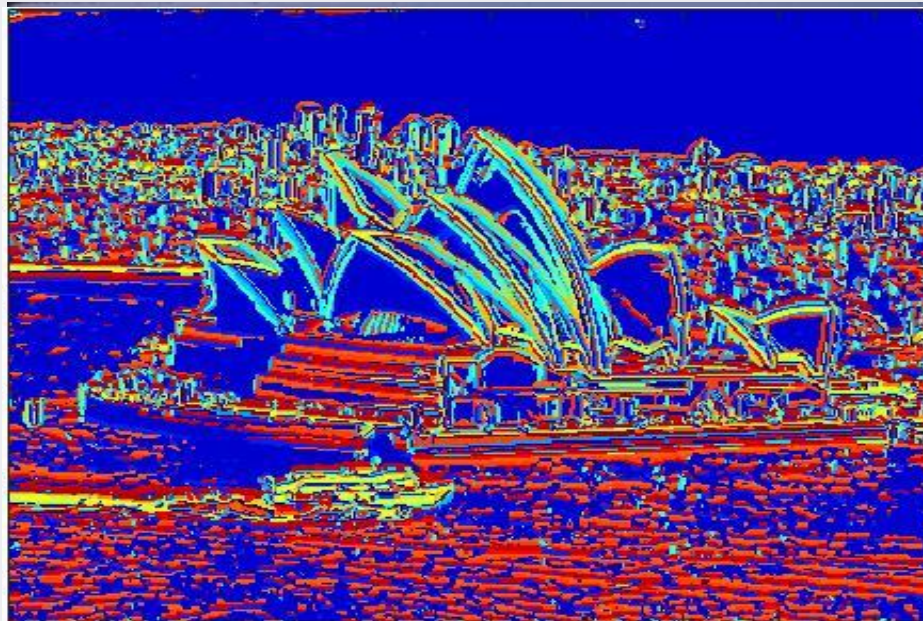
- Get the information about lightness, color and texture.
- Quantify the changes in those channels.
- Combine those changes in different channels to represent the probability of boundary.

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PROBABILITY OF BOUNDARY

- How to get the information about texture?



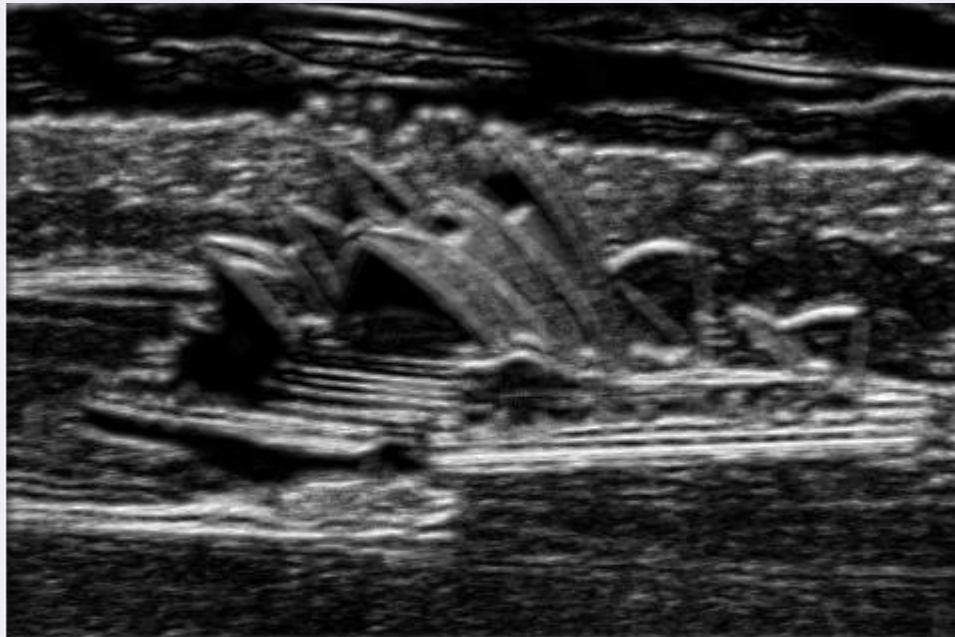
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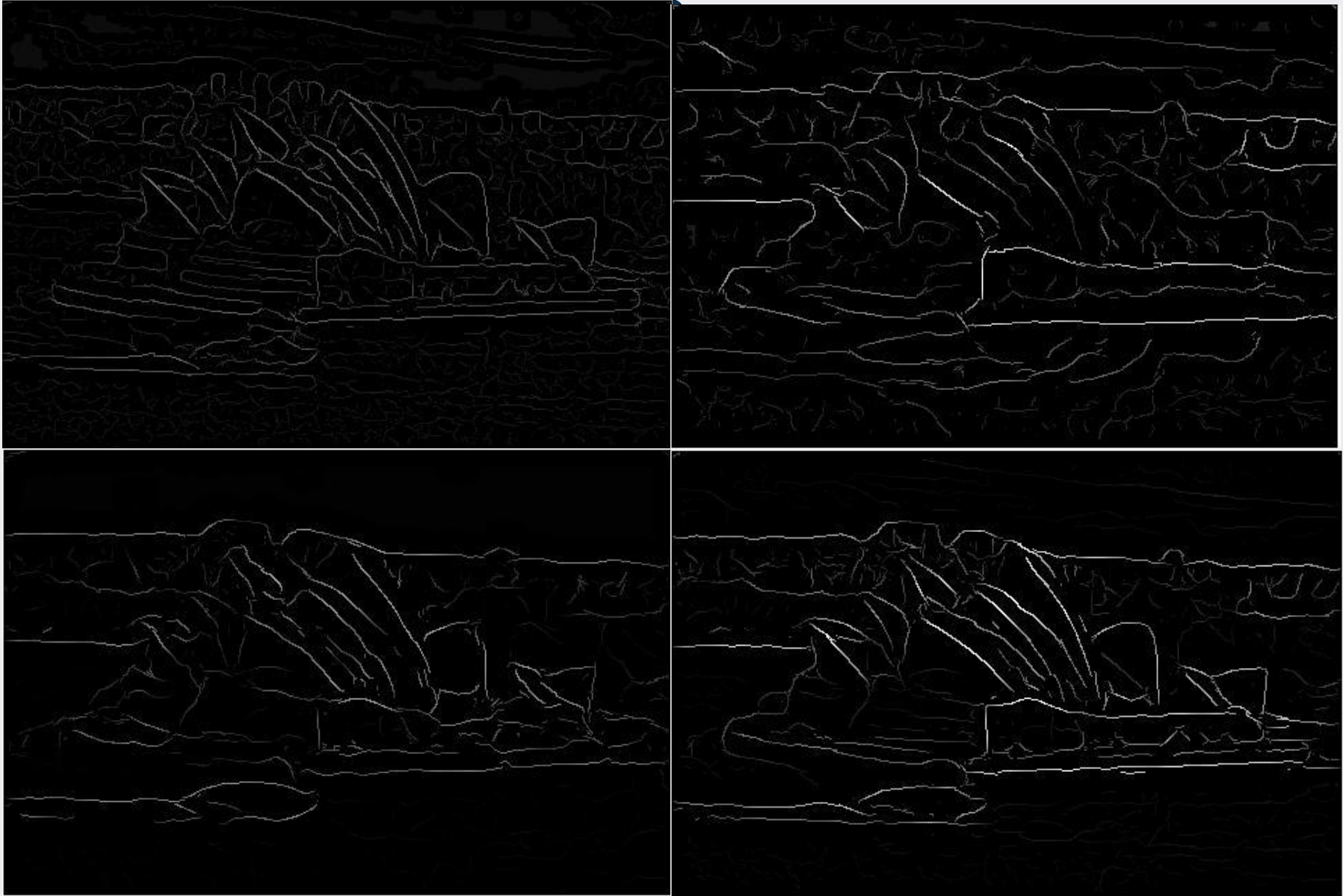
- How to quantify the changes in different channels?



$$G(x, y, \theta)$$

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SPARSE CODE GRADIENT

Improve Probability of Boundary with:

➤ K-SVD Dictionary Learning

Generalizes k-means & learns dictionaries of code-words from unsupervised data

$$\min_{D, X} \|Y - DX\|_F^2 \text{ s.t. } \forall i, \|x_i\|_0 \leq K; \forall j, \|d_j\|_2 = 1$$

- Y : image patches extracted from image
- X : associated sparse code matrix
- D : dictionary
- $\|\cdot\|_F$: Frobenius norm
- Minimize reconstruction error

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SPARSE CODE GRADIENT

- Orthogonal Matching Pursuit (OMP)
 - Iteratively greedy algorithm to find “best match” at each step
 - Compute per-pixel level sparse code (5 x 5 image patch in our implementation)
- Multi-scale Pooling
 - Use oriented half-discs at each pixel
 - Each orientation with two half-discs rectangle to represent
- Linear SVM Classifier
 - Multi-scale contrast information for classifying a location in image whether it's edge or not

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SPARSE CODE GRADIENT

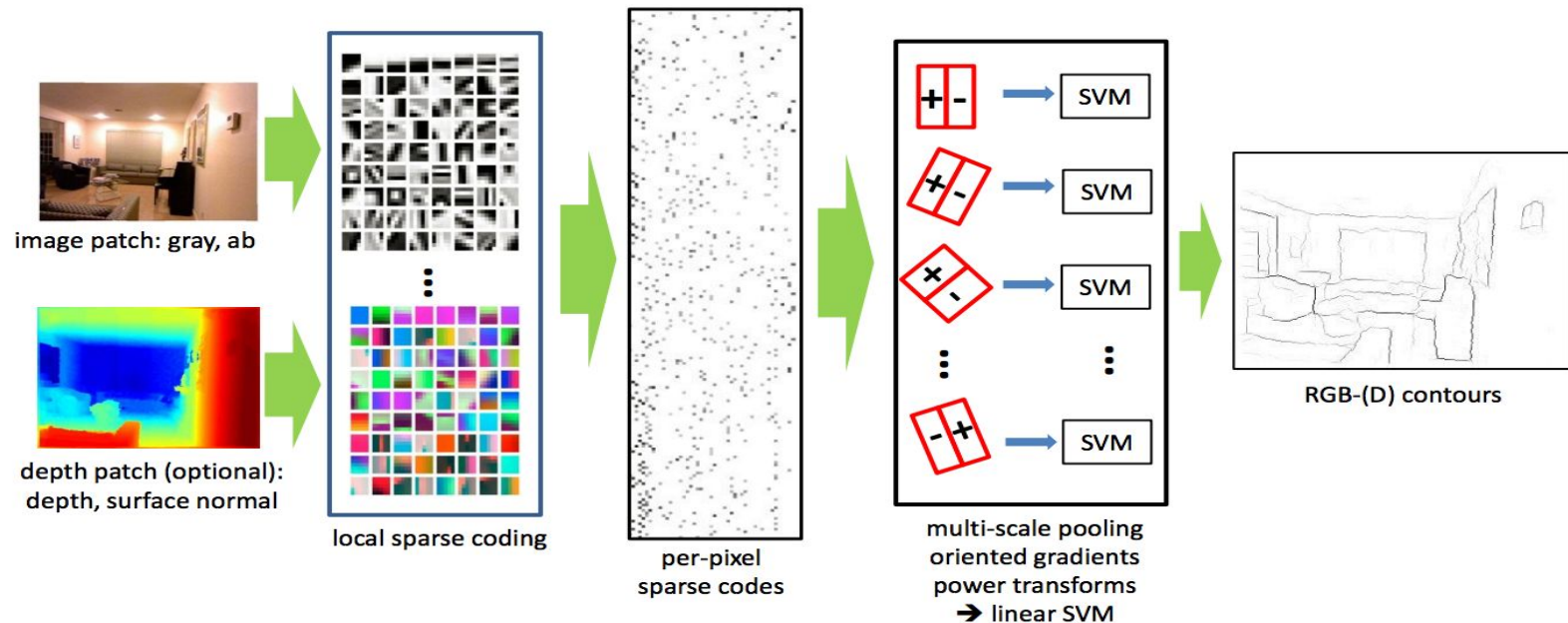


Fig. Illustration of contour detection with Sparse code gradient¹

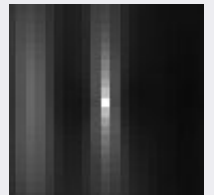
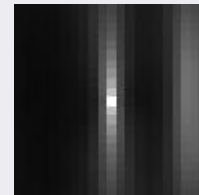
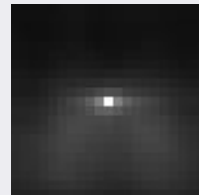
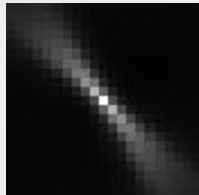
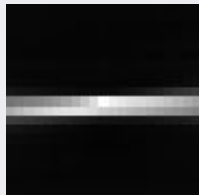
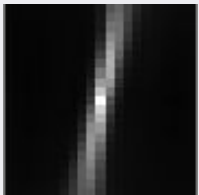
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APPROACH III



SKETCH TOKENS

- A set of token classes
 - Represent local edge structures
- Unsupervisedly learned from hand drawn sketches
 - Extract patches centering at contour pixels from binary sketch images
 - Compute DAISY descriptors on those patches
 - Perform clustering on the descriptors using K-means algorithm





SKETCH TOKENS

- How to detect sketch tokens?
 - By supervised learning (classification)
- Feature extraction (from patches)
 - Color, gradient and oriented gradient channels
 - Self-similarities $f_{ijk} = g_{jk} - g_{ik}$
- Classification
 - Total class number = # of sketch token classes + 1
 - Use random forest -- efficient for multi-class problems
 - Predicts the probability of each class

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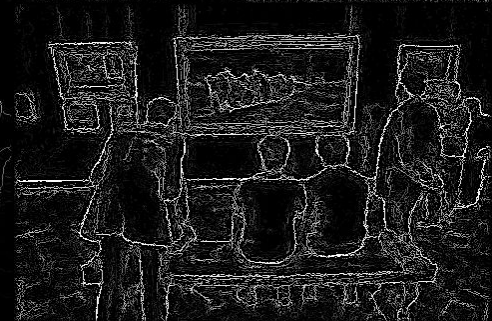
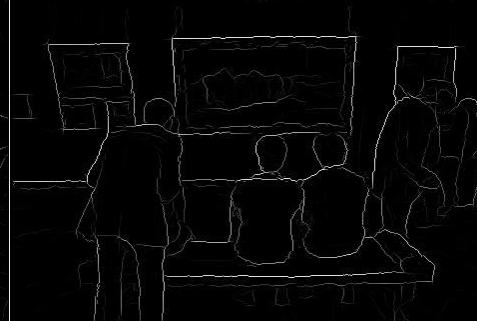
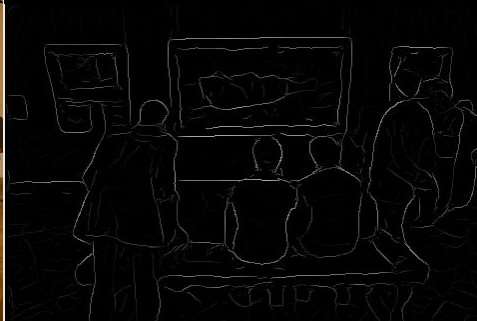
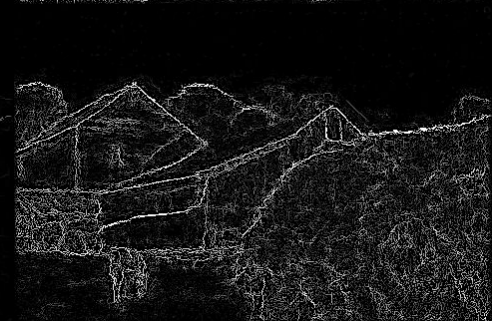
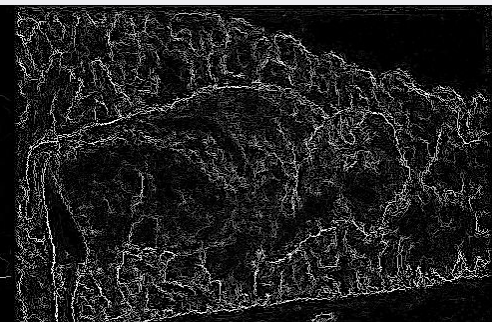
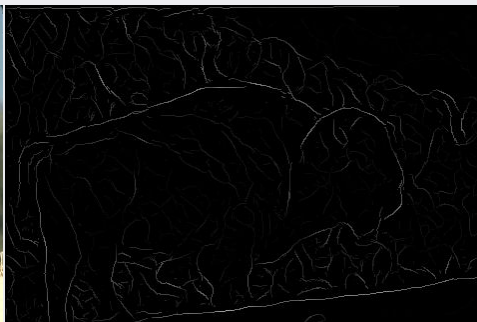
- Use trained model for contour detection
 - Compute the probability of a contour at the center pixel
 - $P(\text{contour}) = \sum P(\text{sketch token}) = 1 - P(\text{background})$
 - Perform a standard non-maximal suppression to find the peak response of a contour

CHAPTER IV



RESULTS

- Examples



Original

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SCG

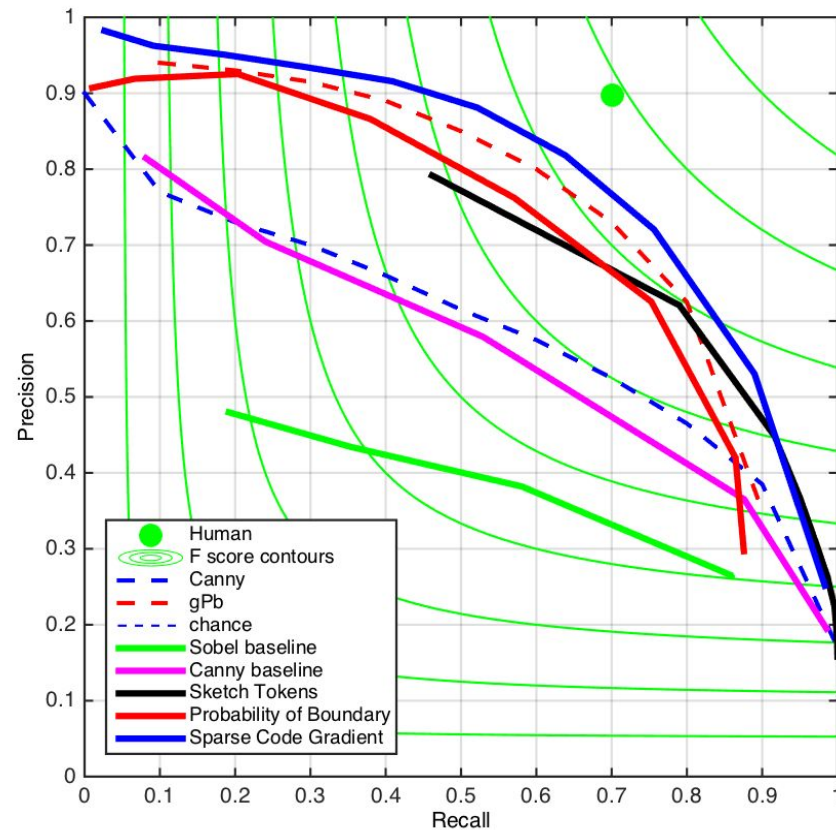
Sketch Tokens

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RESULTS

- Precision-recall curve

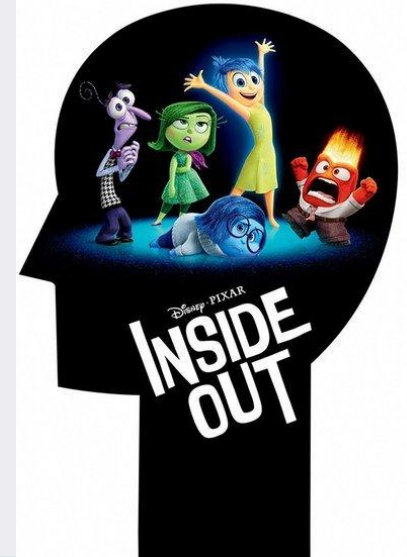


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APPLICATIONS

- Cartoonify images from real scene pictures

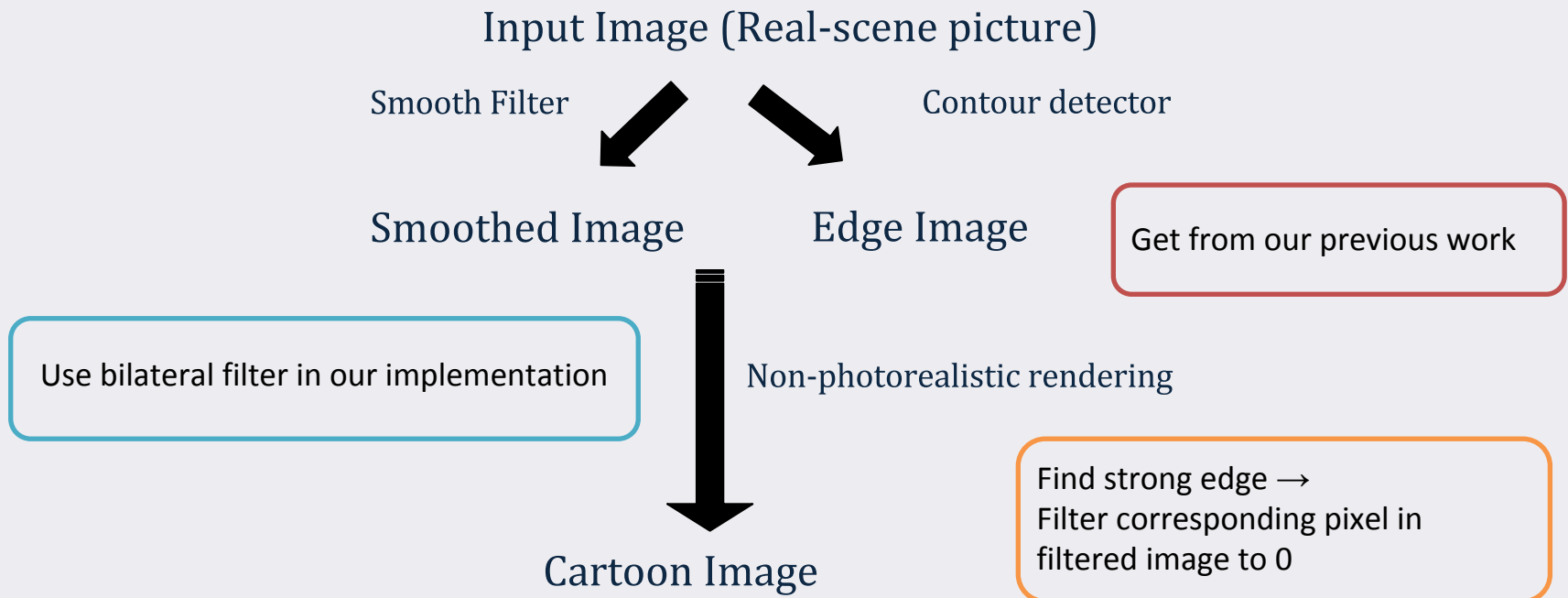


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APPLICATIONS

- Process of change an image into cartoon-style image



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- Example

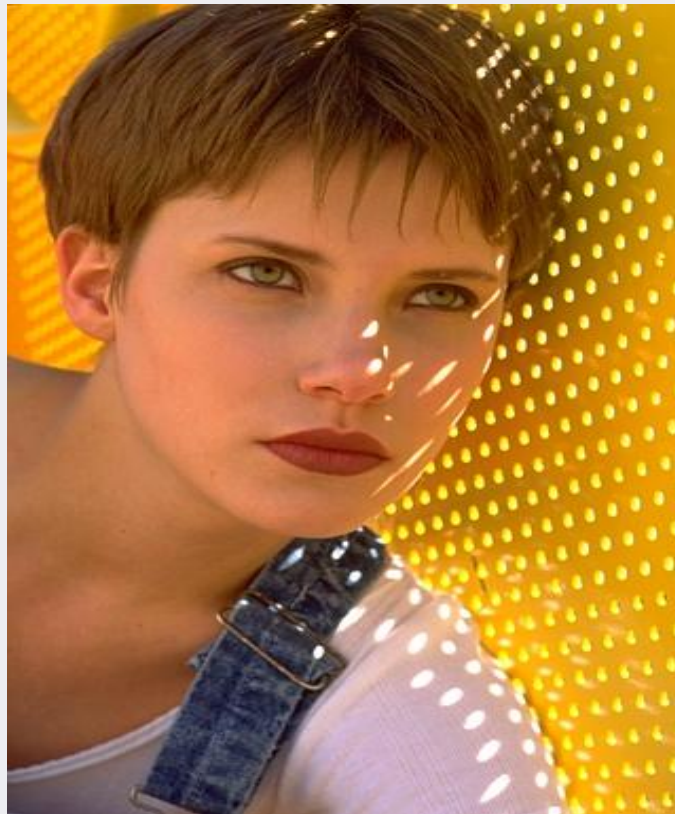


Fig. Input Image

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- Example

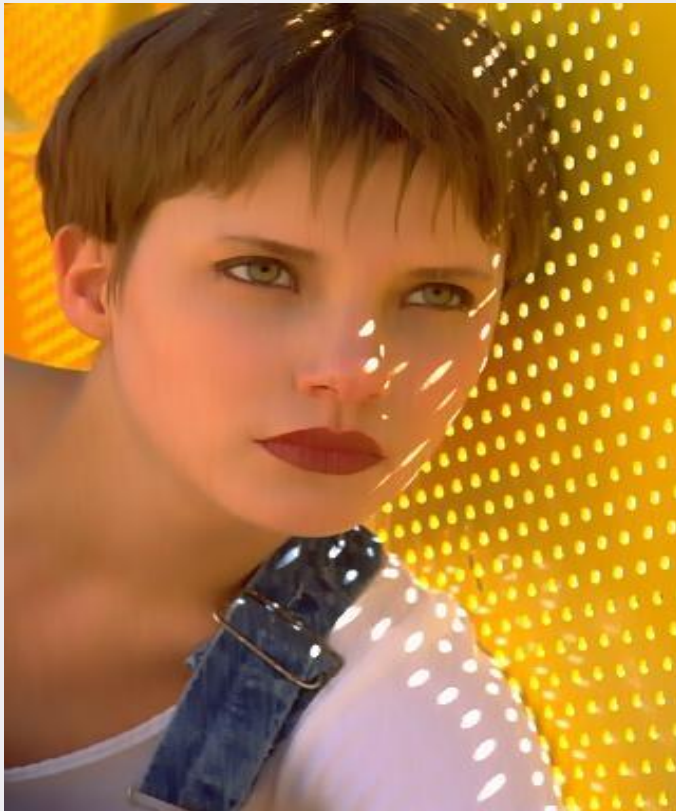


Fig. Smoothed Image



Fig. Edge Image

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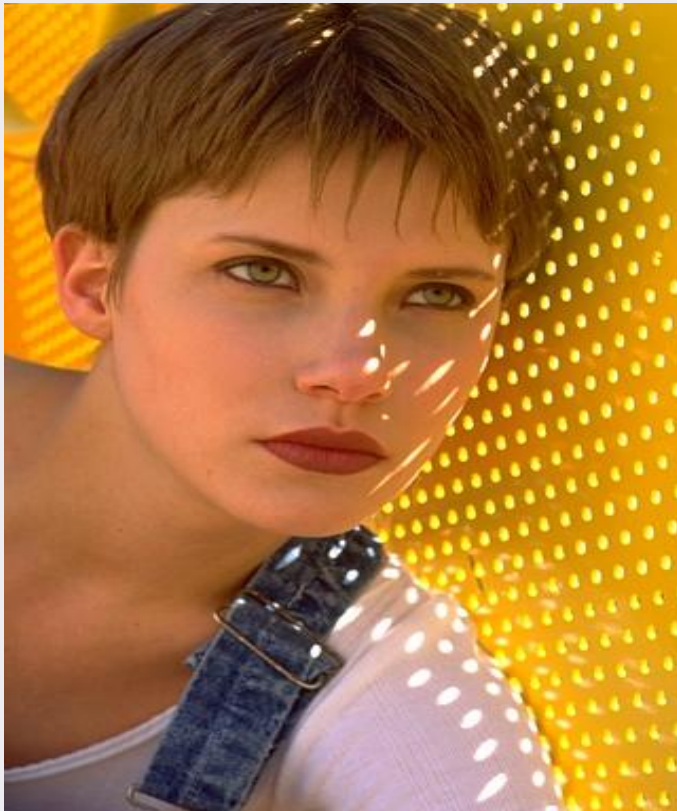


Fig. Input Image



Fig. Output Image

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APPLICATIONS

- Comparison among outputs by our three methods



Probability of Boundary



Sparse Code Gradient



Sketch tokens

- Which one is your favorite?

CHAPTER VI



Future Work

- Better performance by tuning the parameters, adding more meaningful features and more powerful computational power
- Interesting applications

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CHAPTER VI



Q&A

Thank you

