

Introduction to Computer Graphics

– Image Processing (2) –

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Texture Synthesis

Scenario 1: Removal of objects in images

Original



Mask

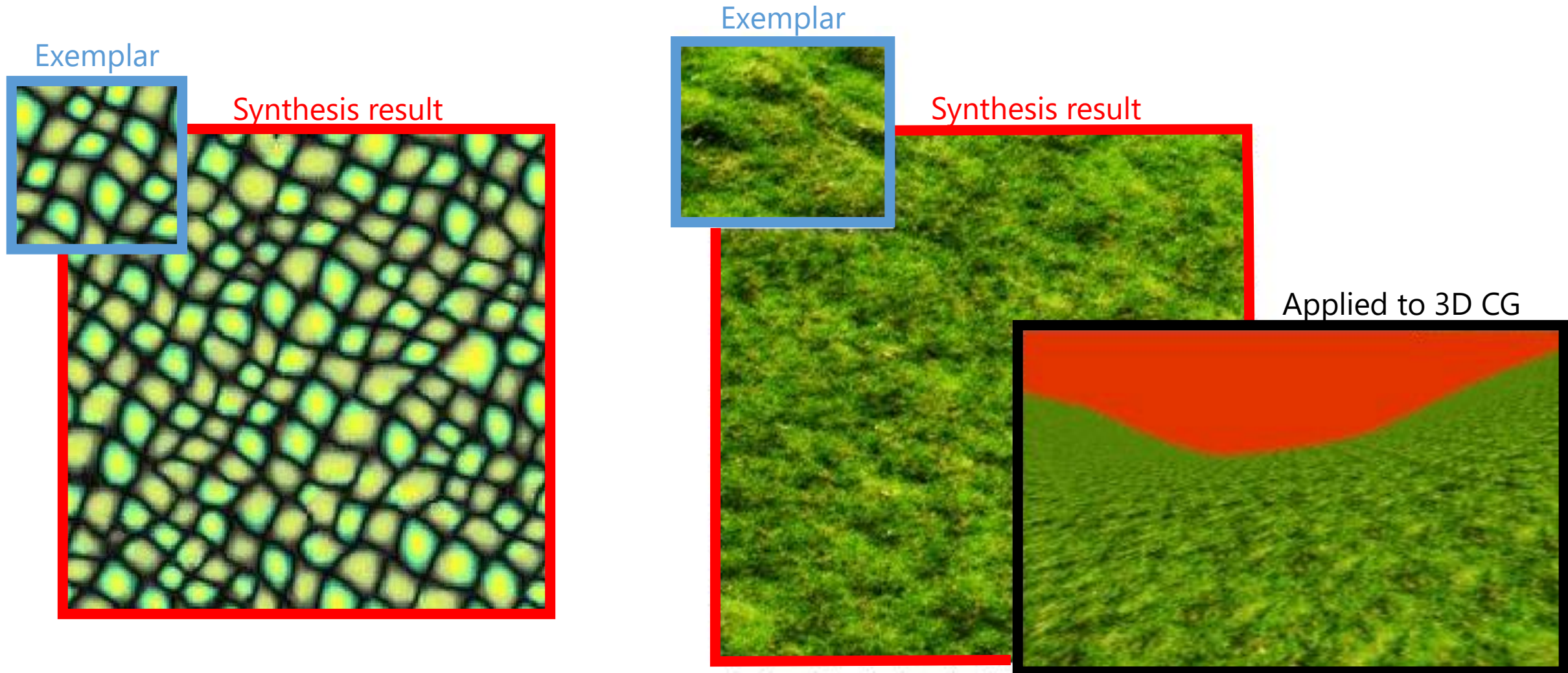


Synthesis result



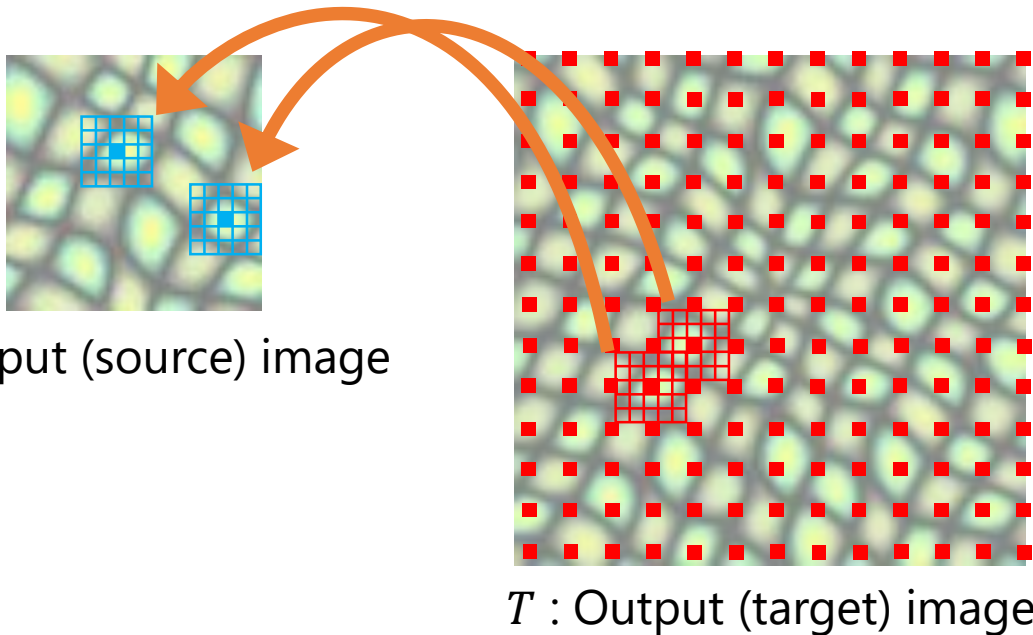
- Bit different problem setting than “image cloning”

Scenario 2: Synthesis of large texture image



Similarity between input & output images [Kwatra05]

Look for the most similar patch



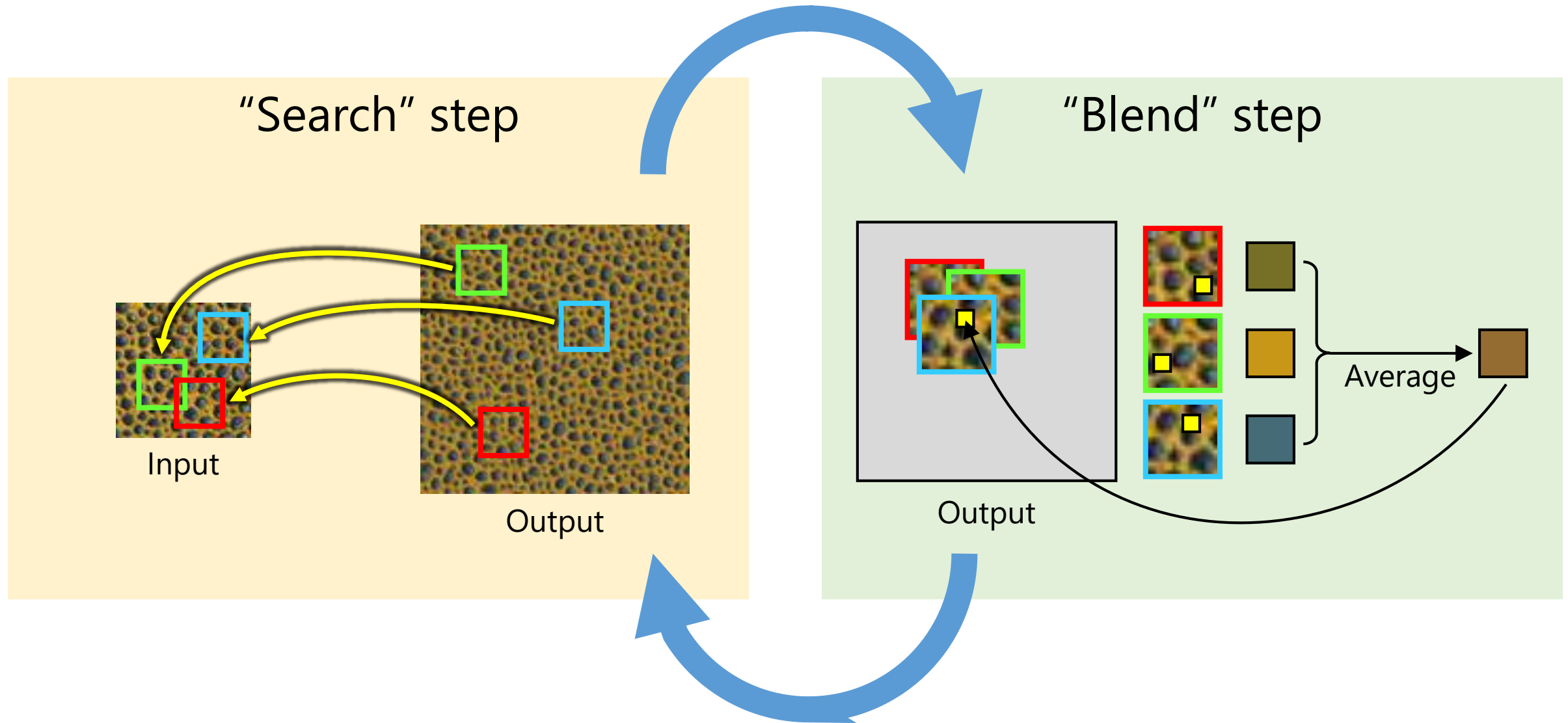
$$D(S, T) = \sum_{t \in T} \min_{s \in S} \|s - t\|^2$$

Sum of per-pixel differences squared

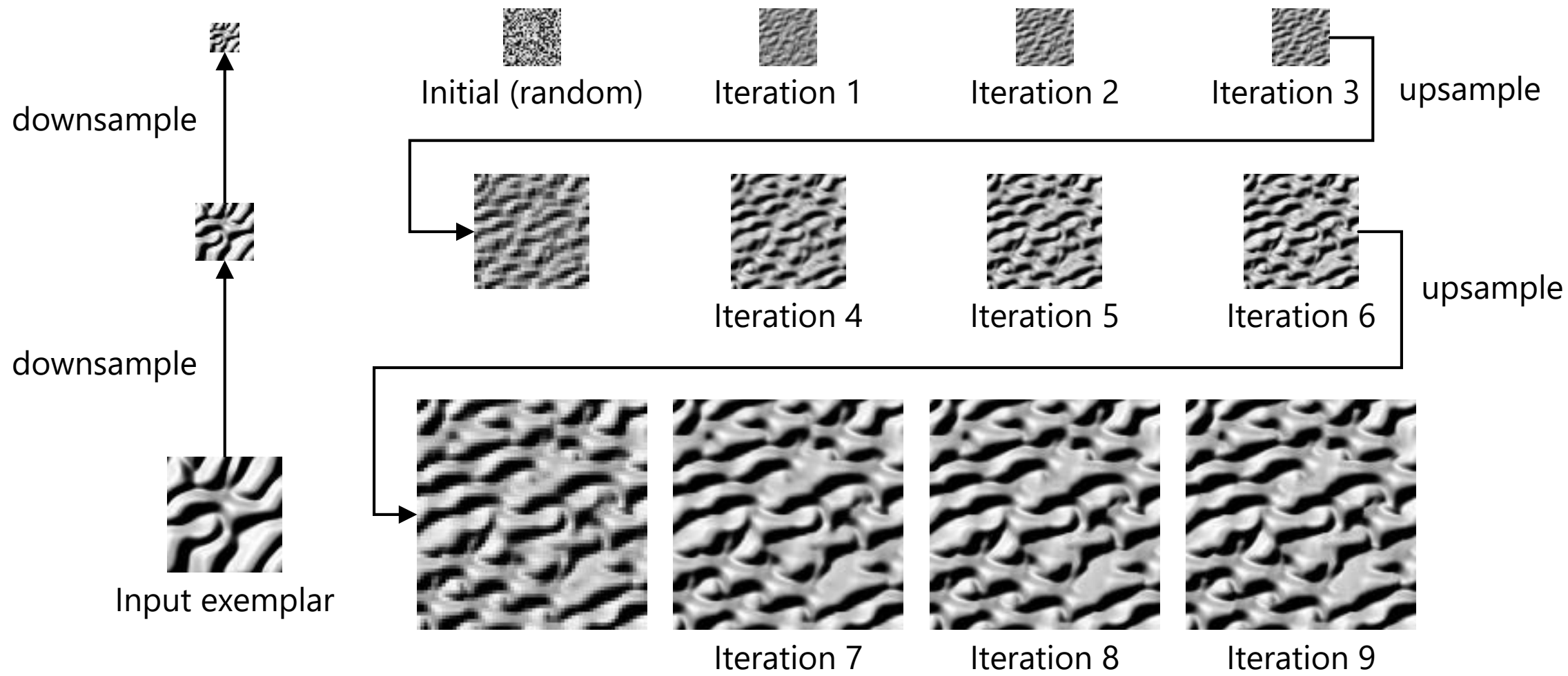
patches

- Want to find T which minimizes D
- Direct solution seems infeasible
→ iterative computation

Optimization by iterative computation [Kwatra05]



Multiresolution synthesis

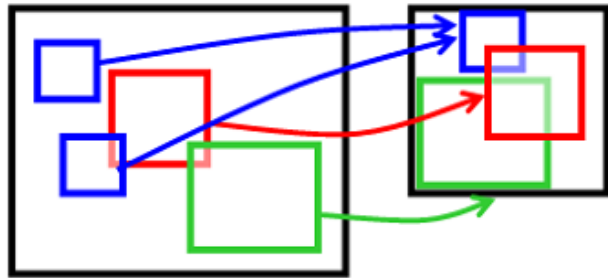


Bidirectional similarity [Simakov08; Wei08]

$$D(S, T) = \sum_{s \in S} \min_{t \in T} \|s - t\|^2 + \lambda \sum_{t \in T} \min_{s \in S} \|s - t\|^2$$

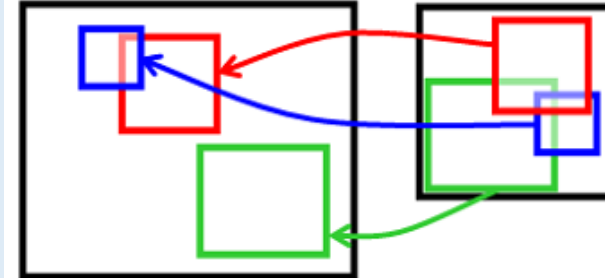
Completeness term

Input image (source) Output image (target)



Coherence term

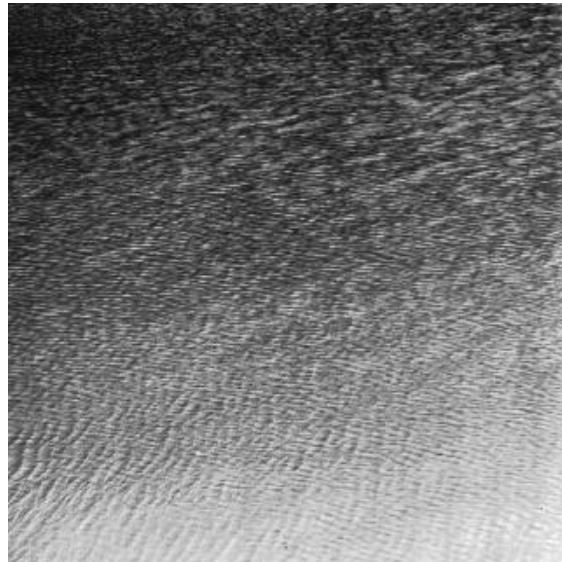
Input image (source) Output image (target)



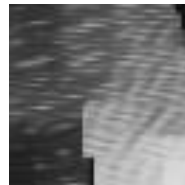
Effect of Completeness/Coherence terms

problem a.k.a.
"Image Summarization"

Input image



Output image

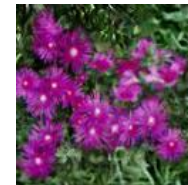


Completeness only

$$\sum_{s \in S} \min_{t \in T} \|s - t\|^2$$



Bidirectional



Coherence only

$$\sum_{t \in T} \min_{s \in S} \|s - t\|^2$$

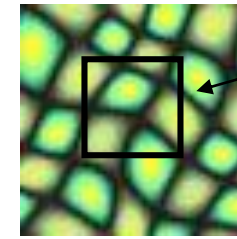


Bidirectional

Texture synthesis via stitching of patches

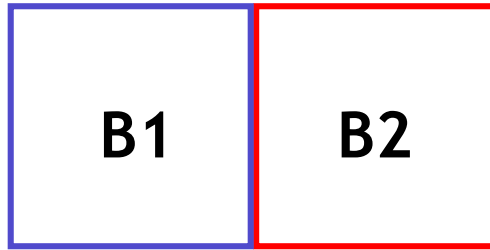
(briefly)

Image Quilting [Efros01]

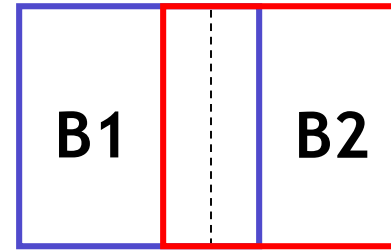


block

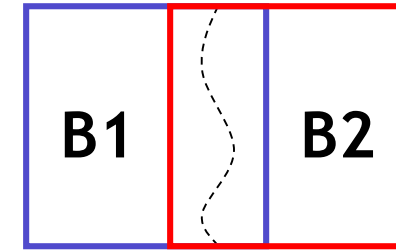
Input texture



Random placement
of blocks



Neighboring blocks
constrained by overlap



Minimal error
boundary cut

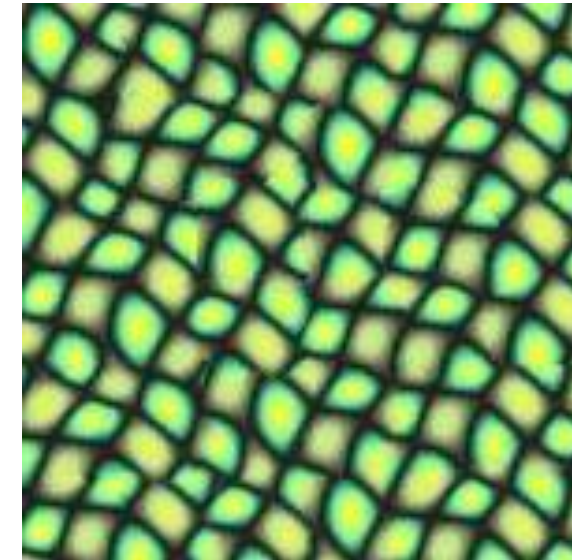
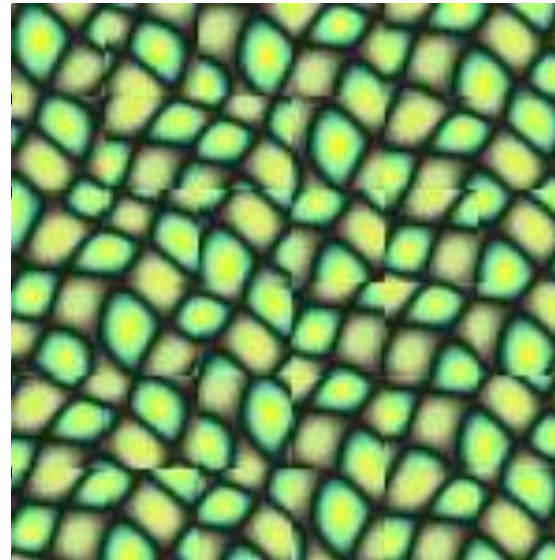
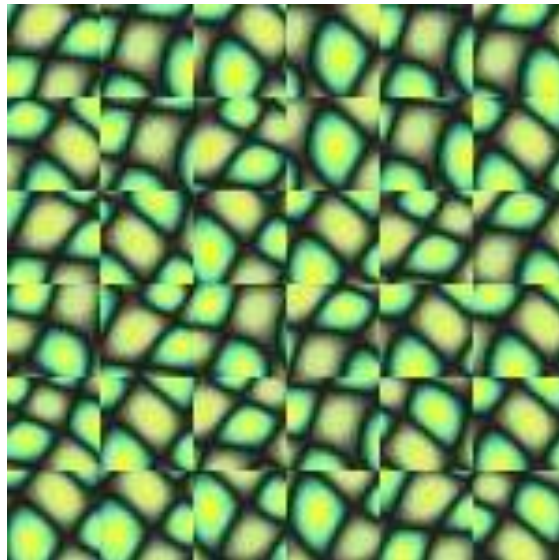
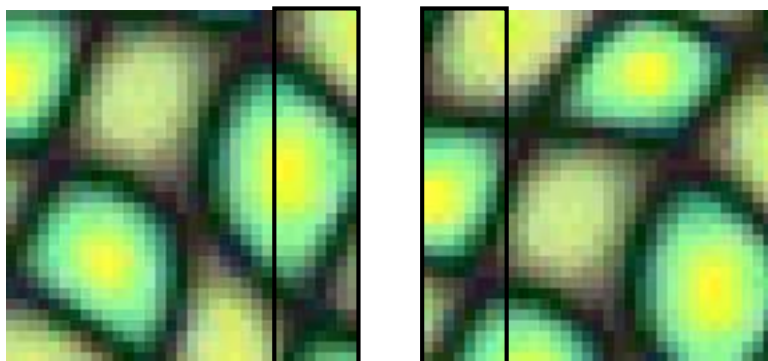
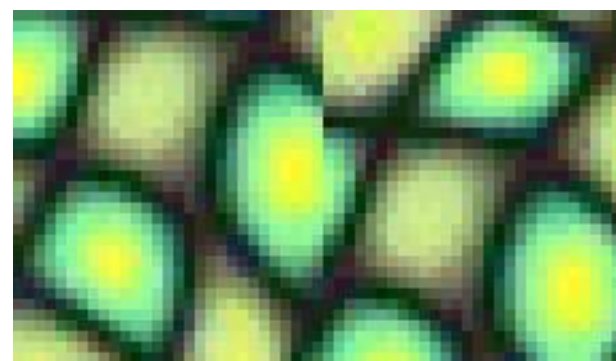


Image Quilting [Efros01]

overlapping blocks

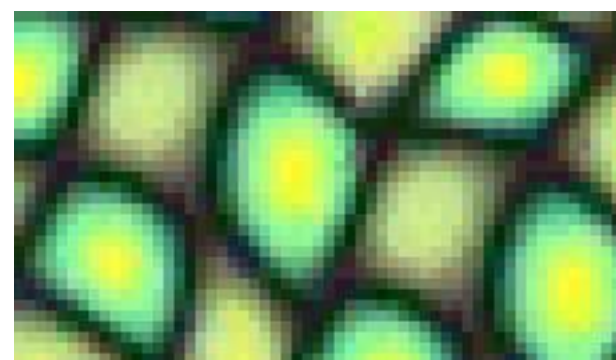


vertical boundary



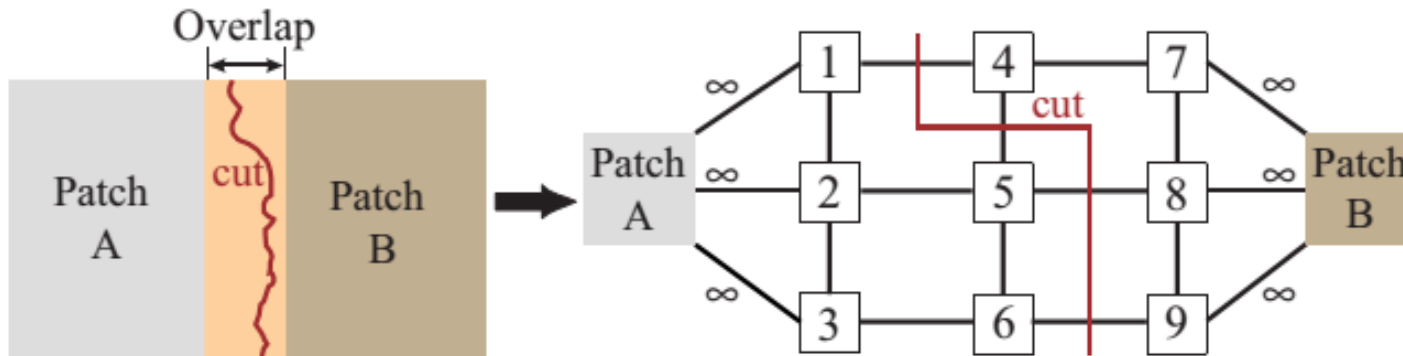
A diagram illustrating the calculation of overlap error. It shows two vertical image strips, each with a blurry, greenish-yellow pattern. A minus sign is placed between them, followed by a large right square bracket and a superscript 2. This is followed by an equals sign and a vertical strip showing a red, jagged line representing the error boundary.

overlap error



min. error boundary

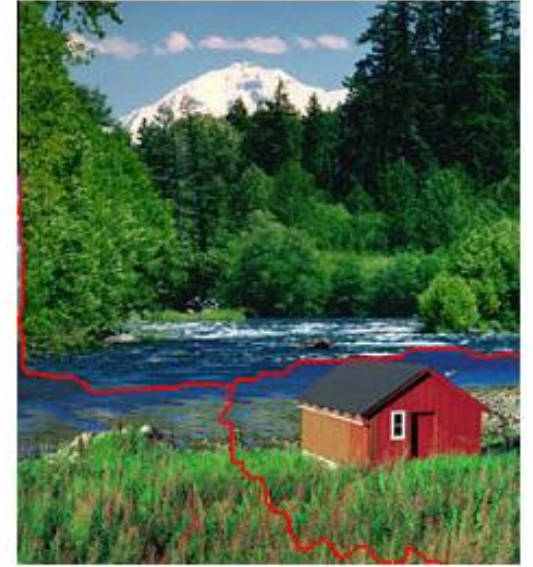
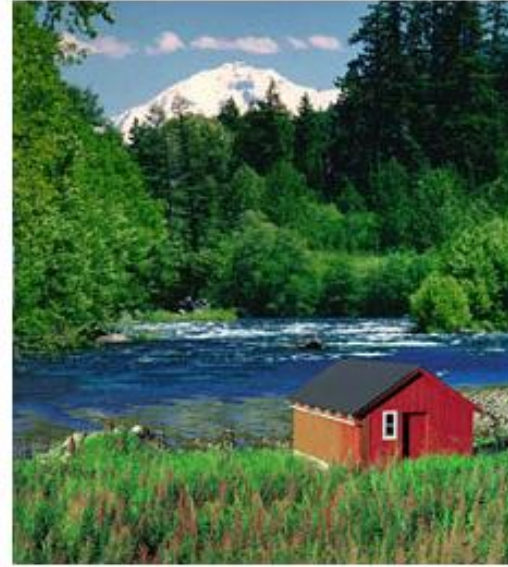
Graphcut Textures [Kwatra03]



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ya6BshBH6G4>


- Formulate the best seam between patches as a minimum-cost cut in a graph

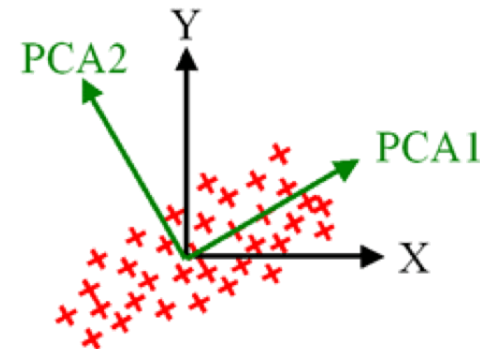
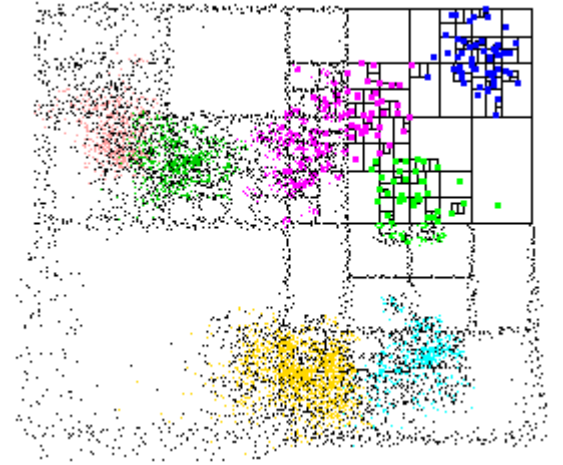
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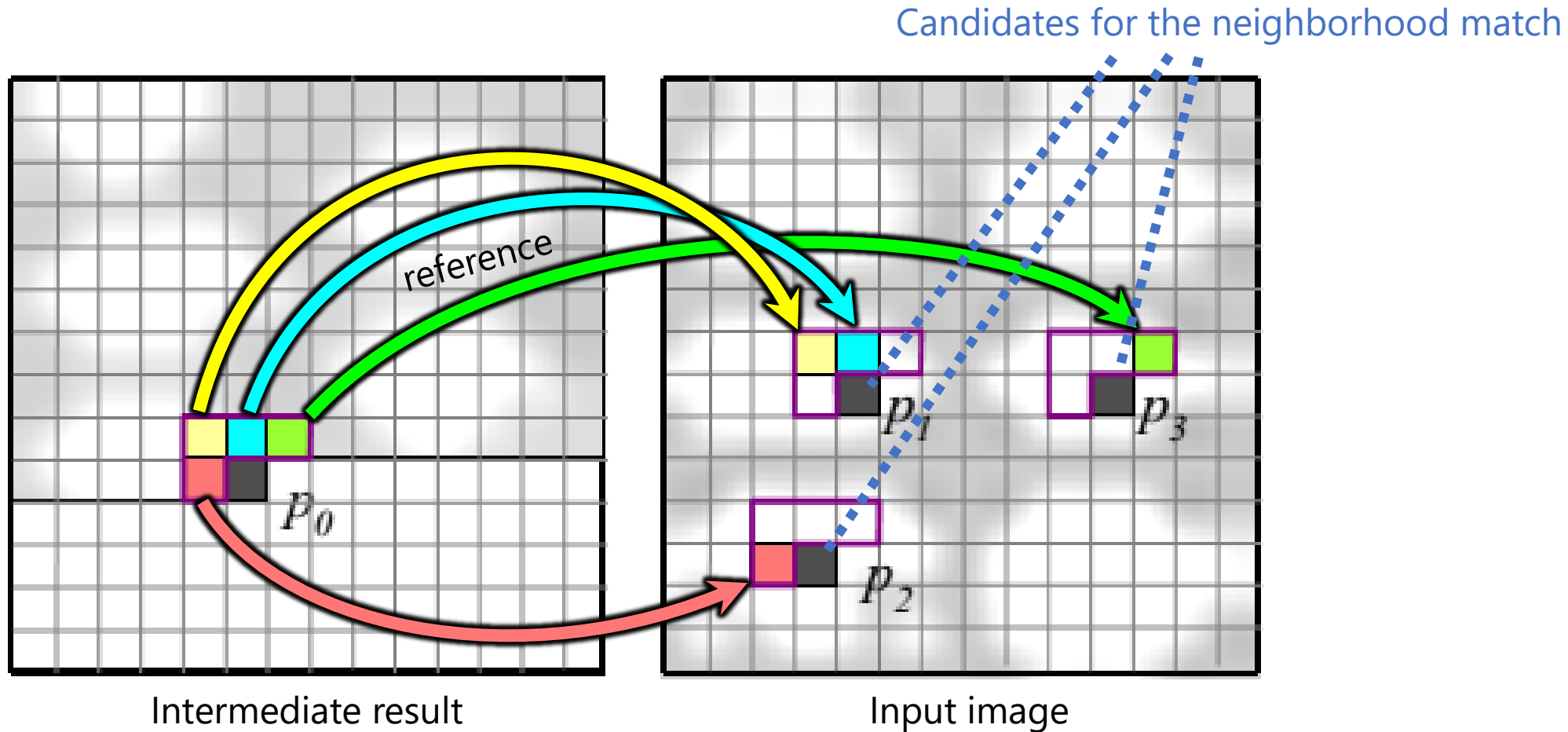
Acceleration techniques for nearest neighborhood search

Technique #1: Spatial data structure + dimensionality reduction

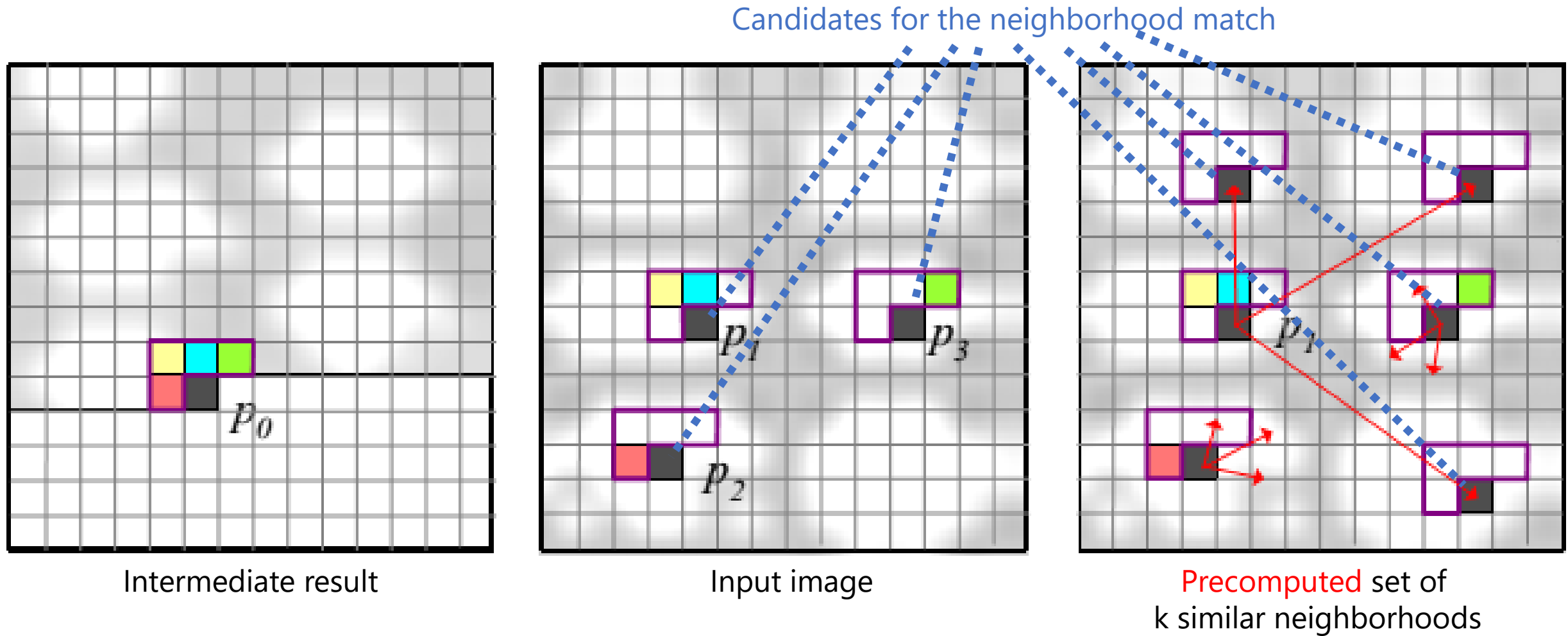
- 5x5 neighbor pixels each with RGB channels 
→ 75D vector
- Nearest neighbor search in high dimensional space
→ Acceleration using k-d tree
- k-d tree performs poorly when dimensionality is too high
→ Dimensionality reduction using
Principal Component Analysis



Technique #2: k-coherence [Tong02]



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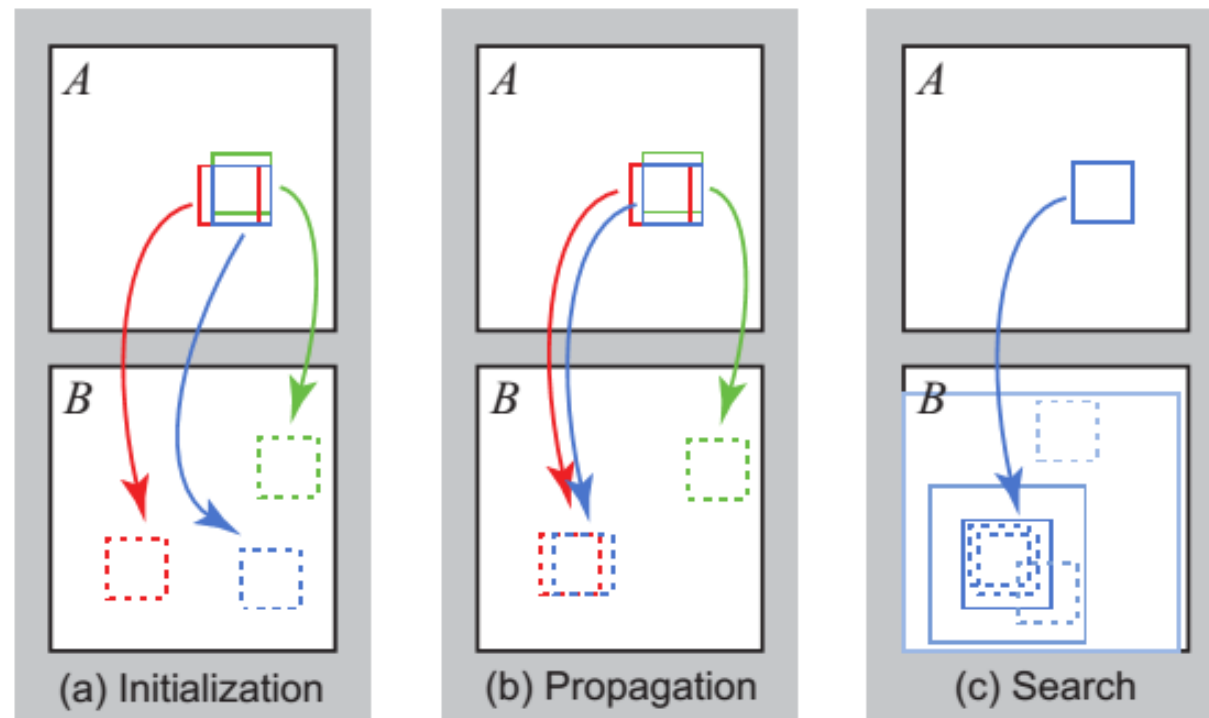
Best bet: PatchMatch [Barnes09]



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dgKjs8ZjQNg>

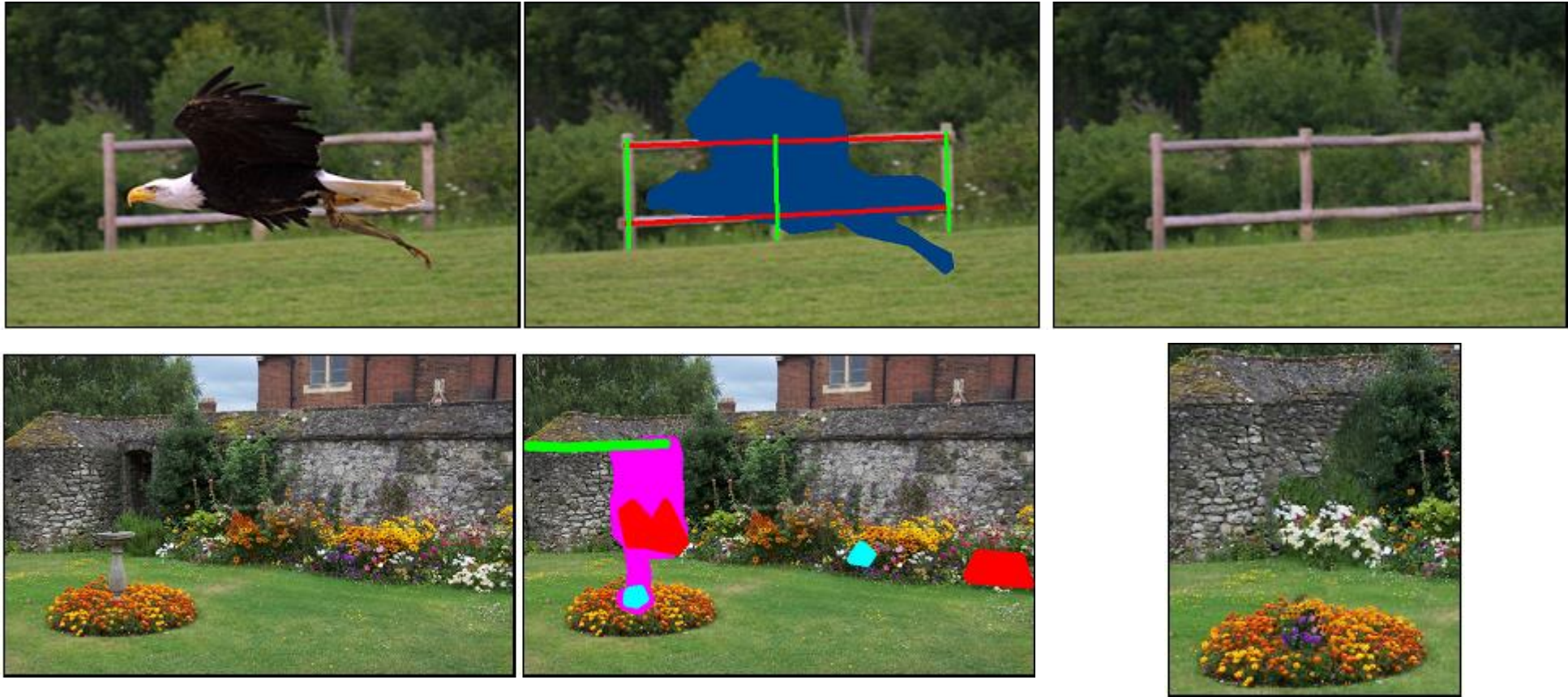
Best bet: PatchMatch [Barnes09]

- Randomly initialize matches
- Update matches in scanline order
 - **Propagation:**
Accept either left or above match if it's better than the current match
 - **Random Search:**
Try a few random matches; accept if it's better than the current match
- Demo



Extensions & applications

Synthesis control by limiting the search space



- Output pixels with markers only match with input pixels with the same markers

Image Analogies [Hertzmann01]



- Simulate arbitrary image filters using texture synthesis
- Variety of applications possible with this formulation

Image Analogies – Texture by Numbers

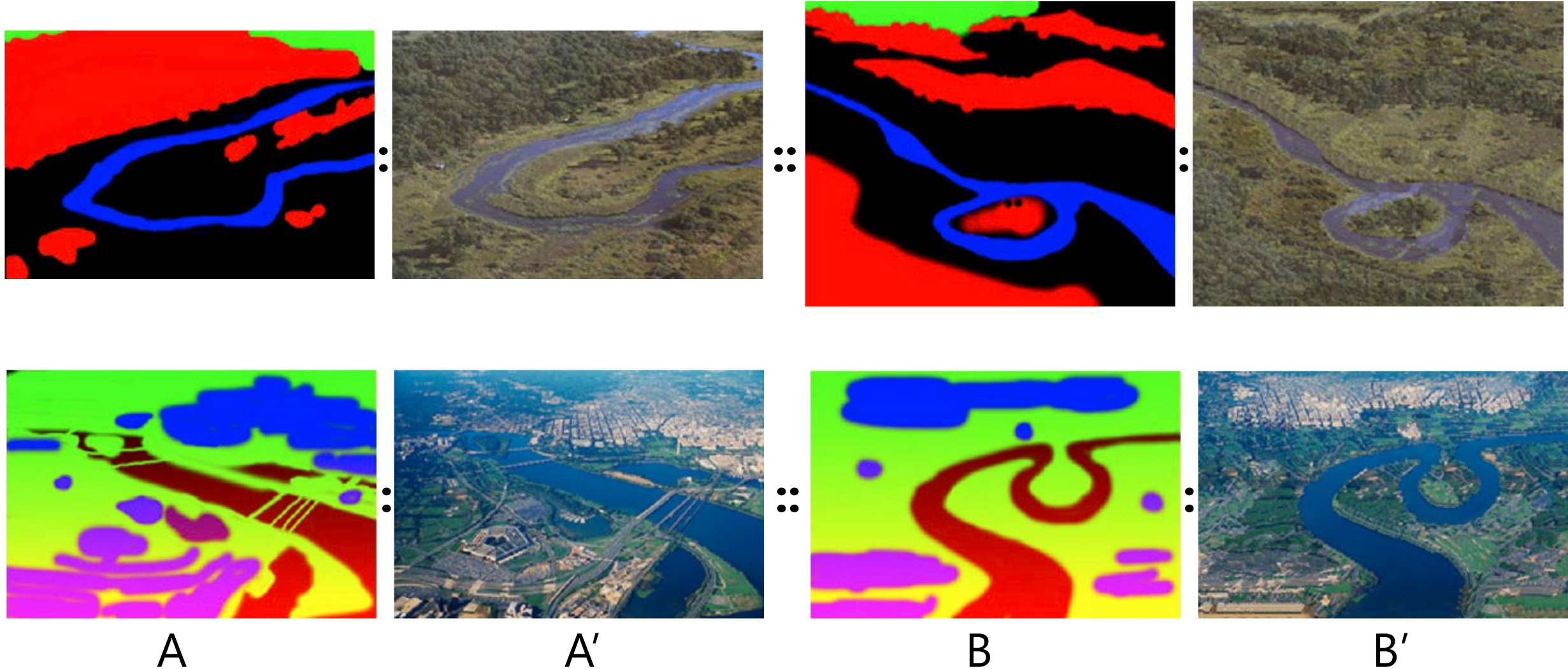
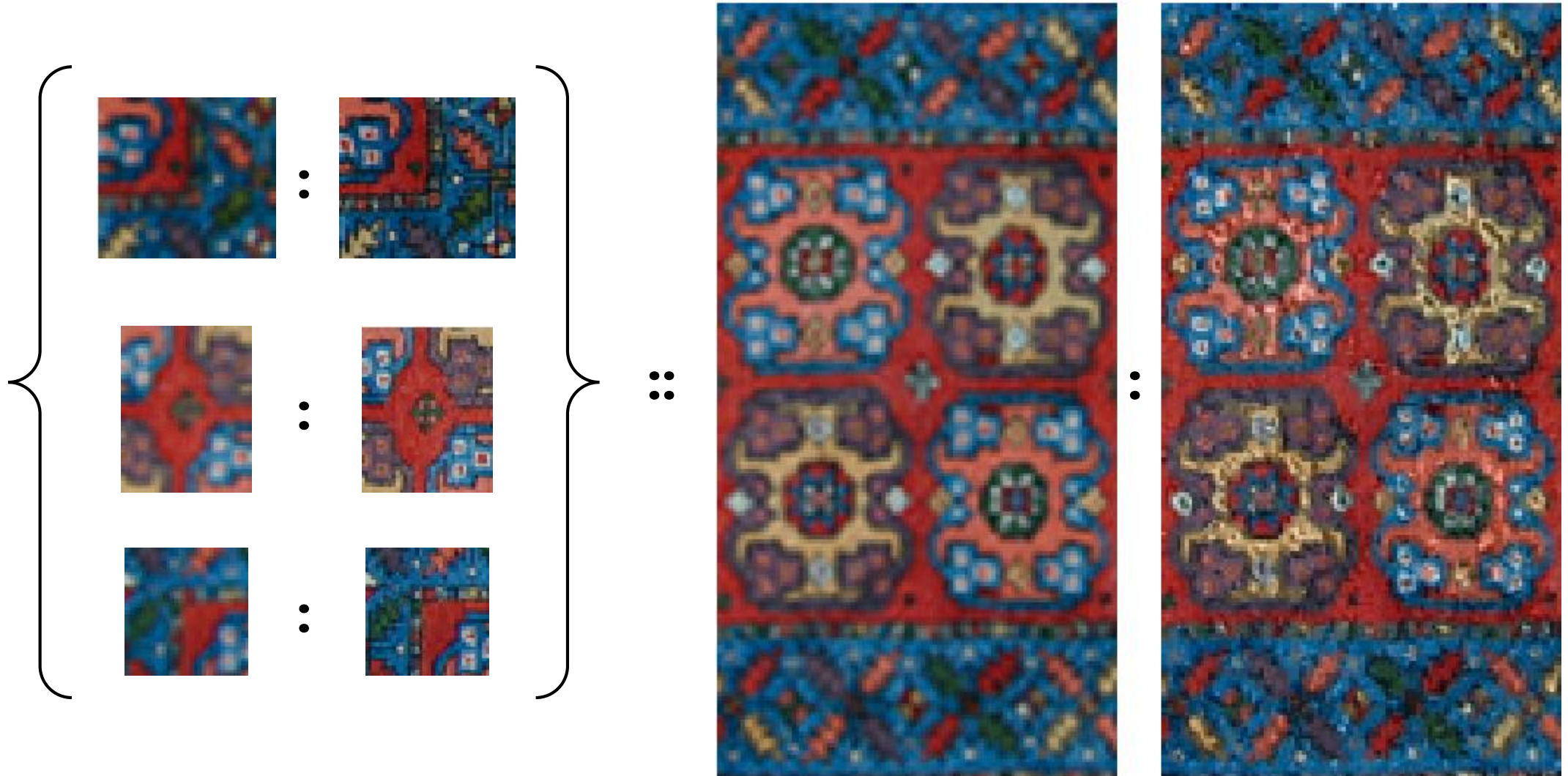
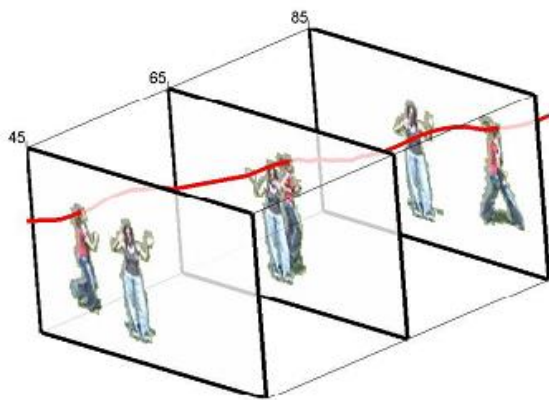


Image Analogies – Super Resolution



Removal of objects in videos



Frame 8



Frame 22



Frame 29



Frame 36



Frame 43



Frame 57

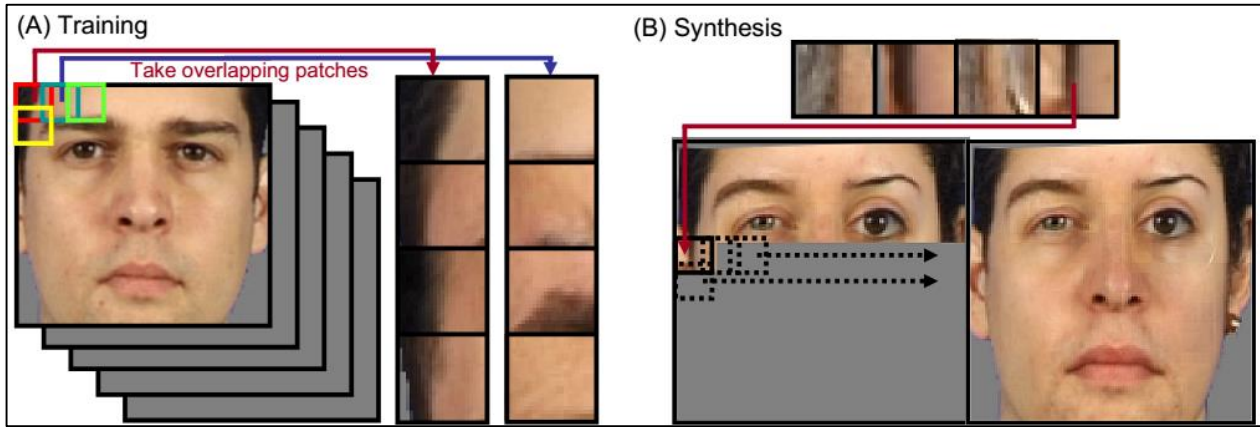


(a) Input sequence

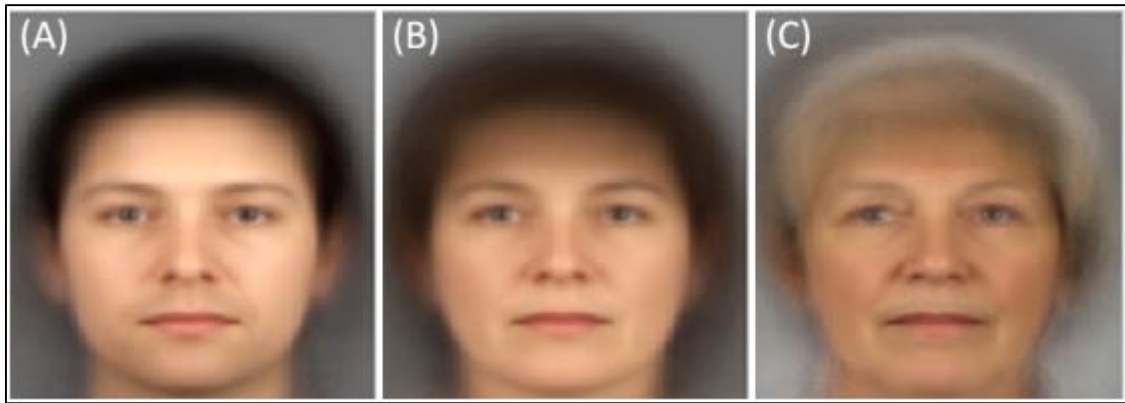
(b) Erasing the occluding person

(c) Spatio-temporal completion

Random synthesis of face images [Mohammed09]

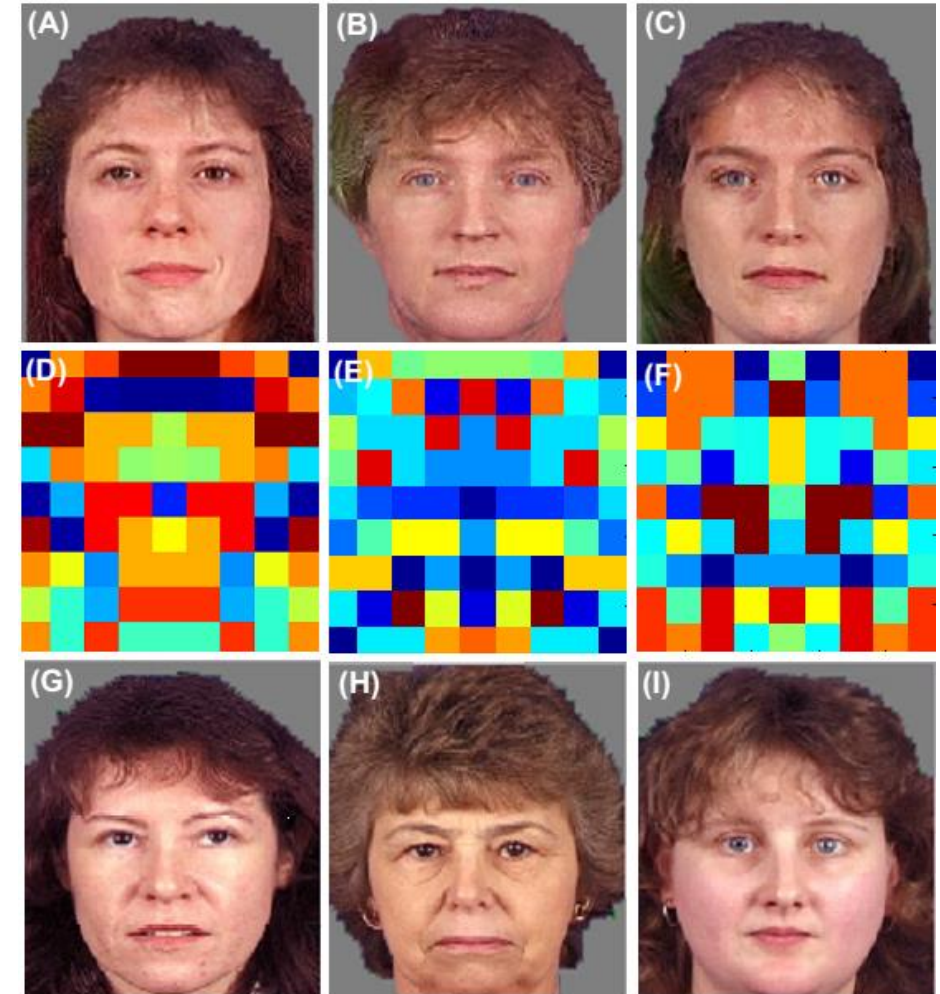


Naïve synthesis from face images with positional alignment



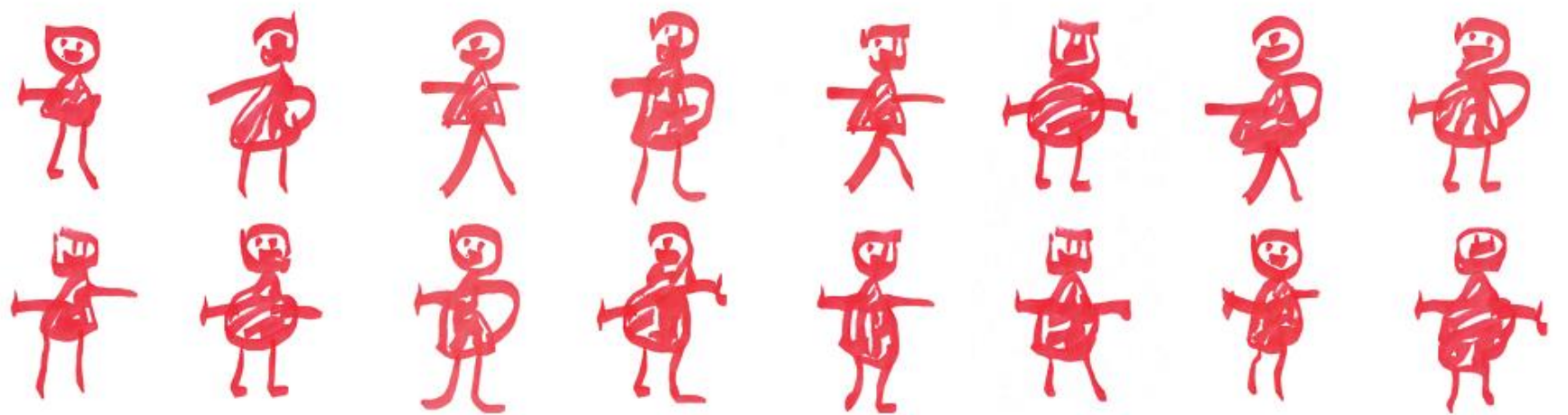
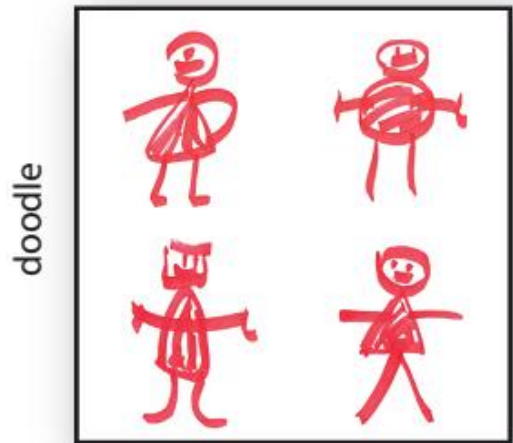
Parametric model for "average faces"

Synthesis result



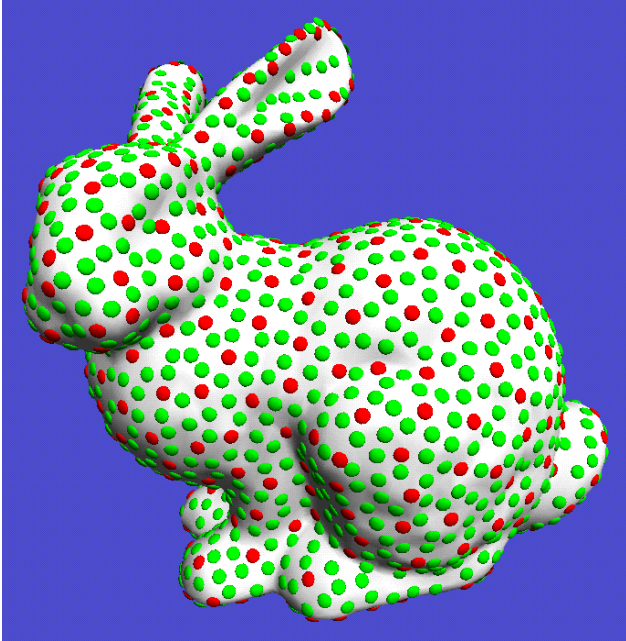
Training images closest to synthesis results

Random synthesis of structured images [Risser10]

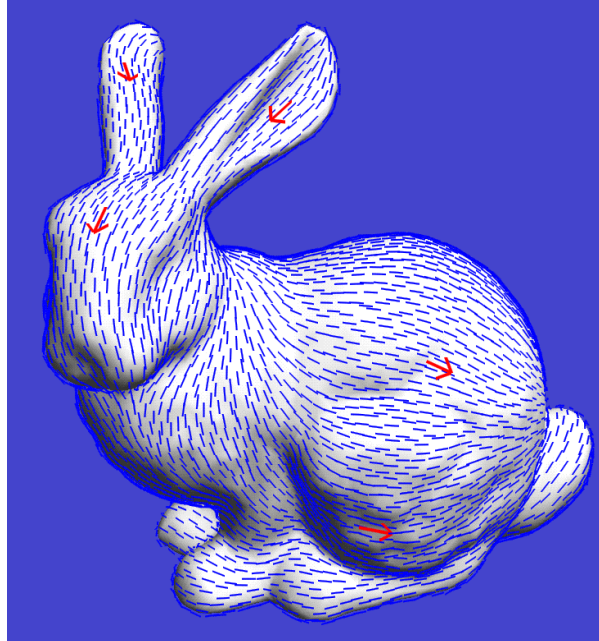


Texture synthesis for 3D graphics

On-surface texture synthesis [Wei01; Turk01]



Uniform sample points

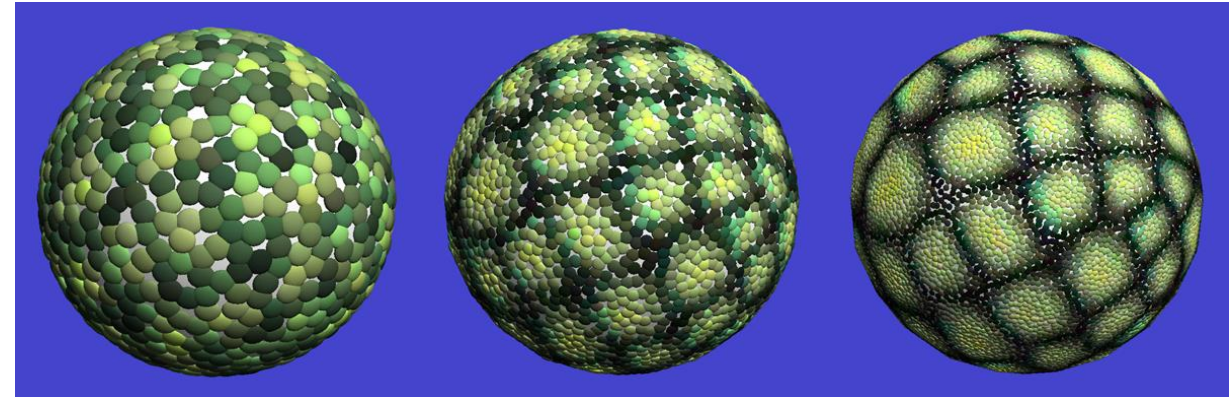


Vector field

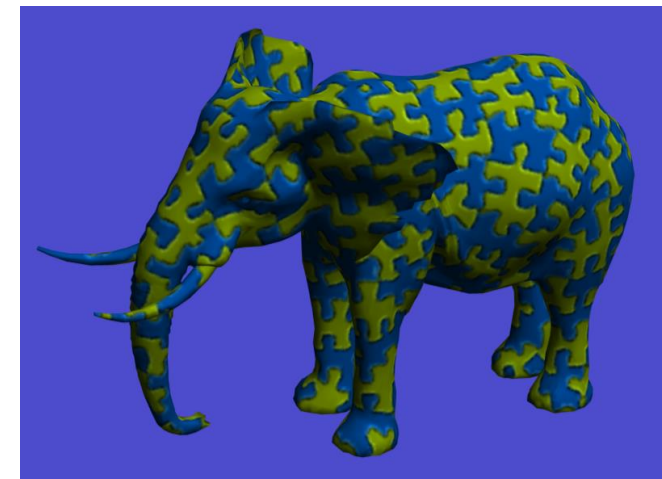
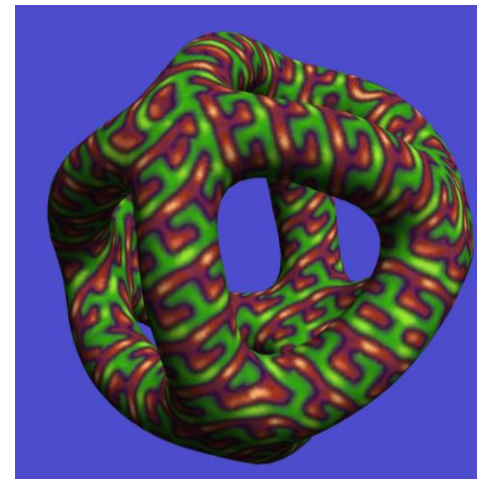
- Fundamentally equivalent to synthesizing texture images over UV parameter space

Texture synthesis over arbitrary manifold surfaces [Wei SIGGRAPH01]

Texture synthesis on surfaces [Turk SIGGRAPH01]

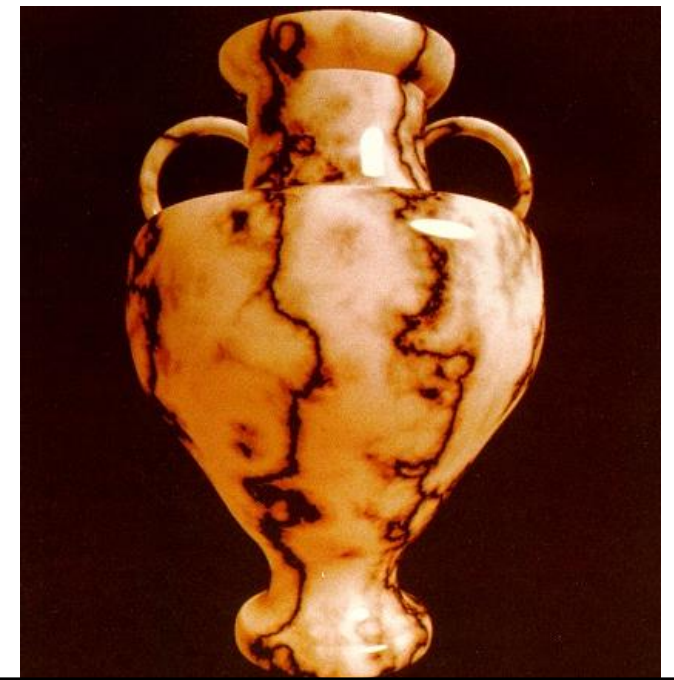


Multiresolution synthesis

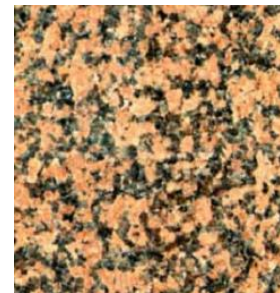


Solid textures

- Represent texture as 3D volume (e.g. voxel) of RGB
 - RGB color directly obtained from XYZ coord
→ easy to use!
- Early methods
 - Combine noise functions, tweak parameters
 - Automatic example-based synthesis using statistical approaches
 - Limited to noise-like textures

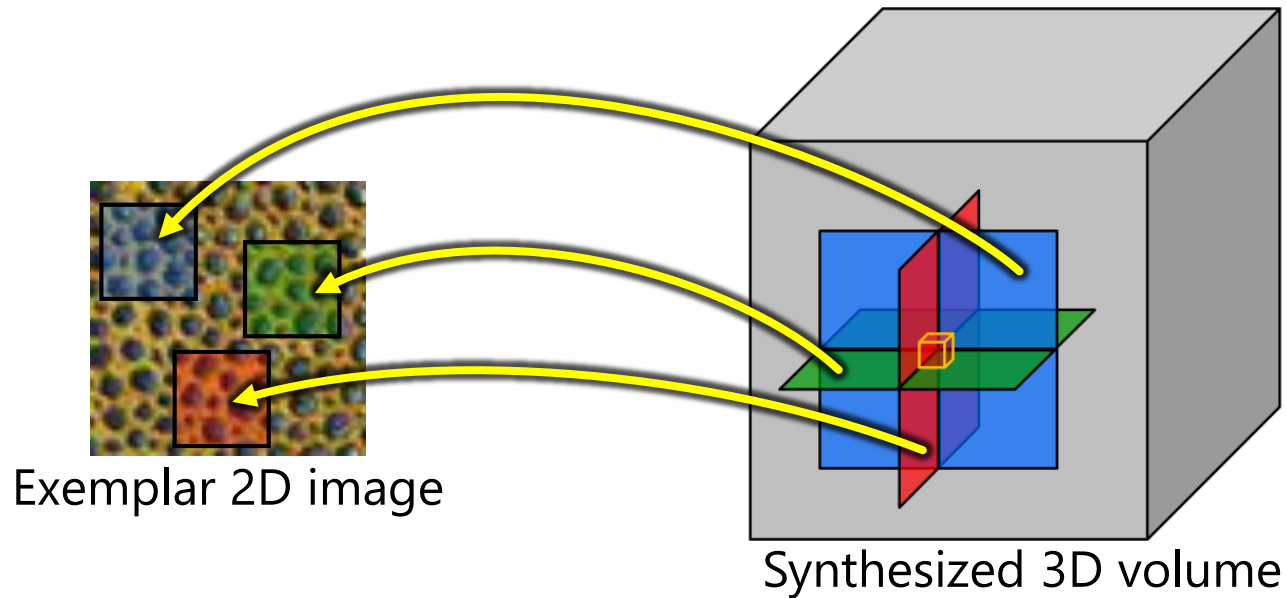


$marble(x, y, z)$
 $= colormap(\sin(x + \text{noise}(x, y, z)))$



Solid texture synthesis by optimization

- Almost straightforward generalization of 2D version [Kwatra05] to 3D

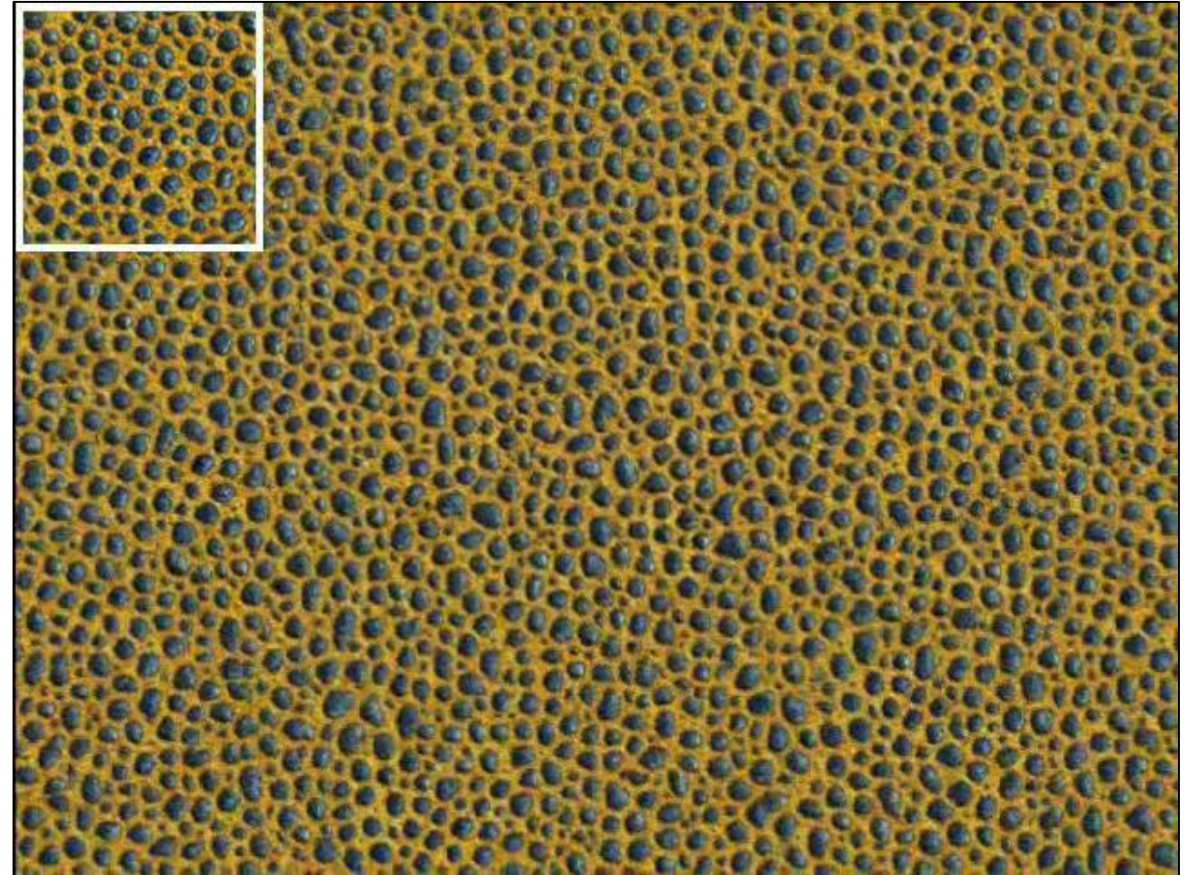


(Some tricks needed for better quality)



Fast on-demand synthesis using GPU parallelism [Lefebvre05]

- Basic idea similar to [Kwatra05]
 - Key technique: precomputation + parallel independent processing
- Synthesize only when drawing
= Reduced memory consumption
→ suited for games



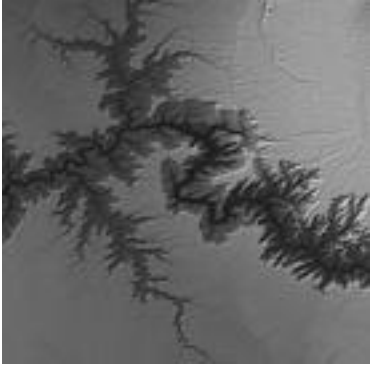
On-demand synthesis specific to façade images [Lefebvre10]

- Precompute horizontal/vertical seams → combine at runtime on GPU



Applications of texture synthesis outside image processing

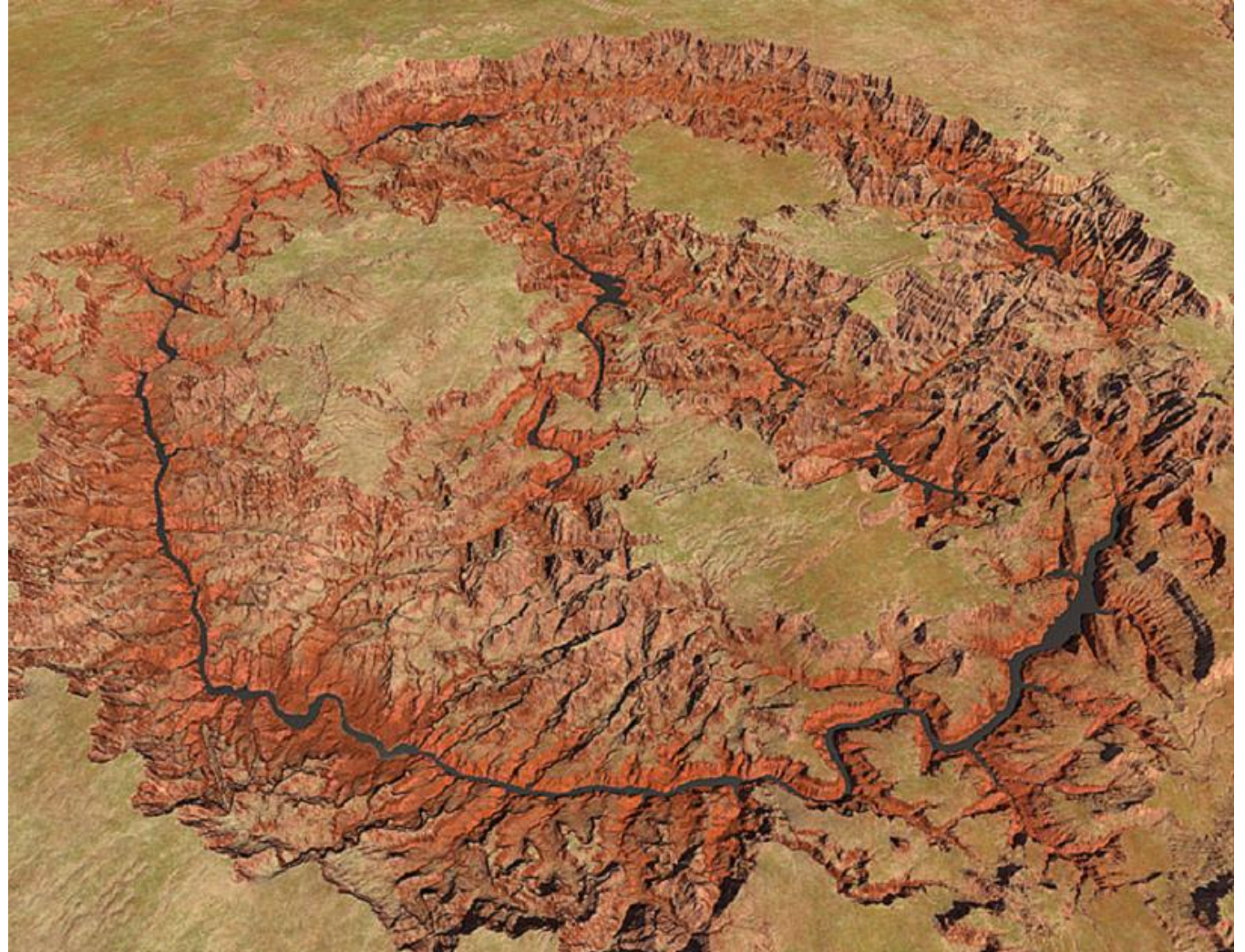
Terrain (height field) synthesis [Zhou07]



Geographical data

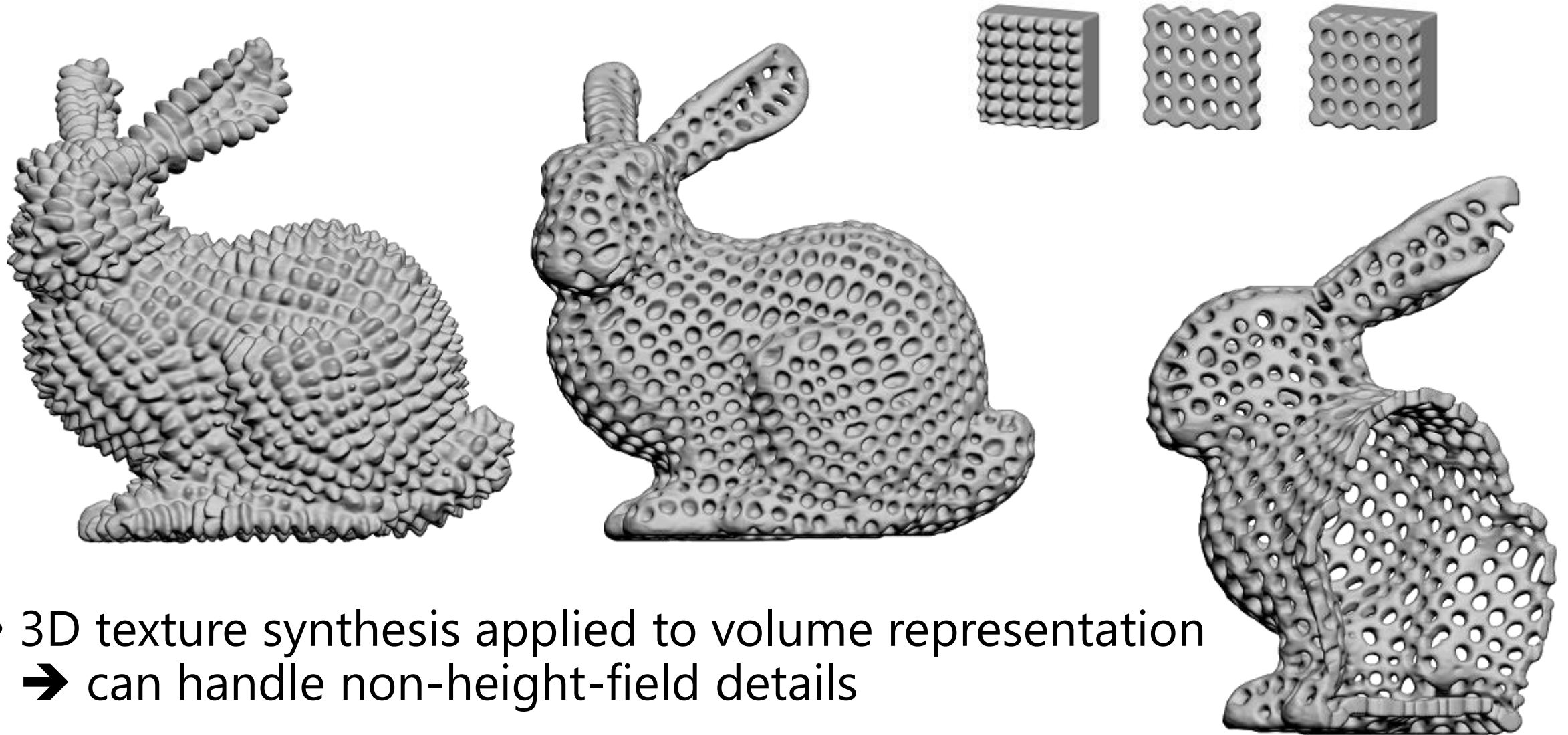


User's sketch



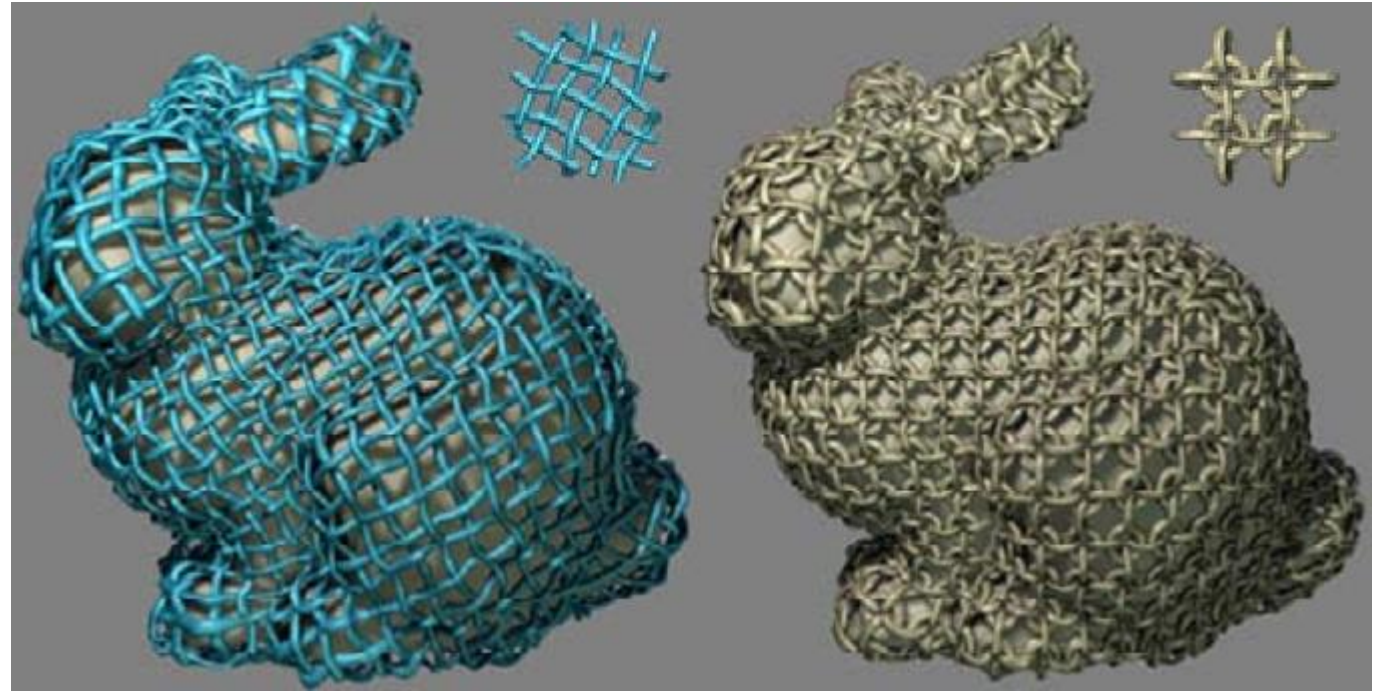
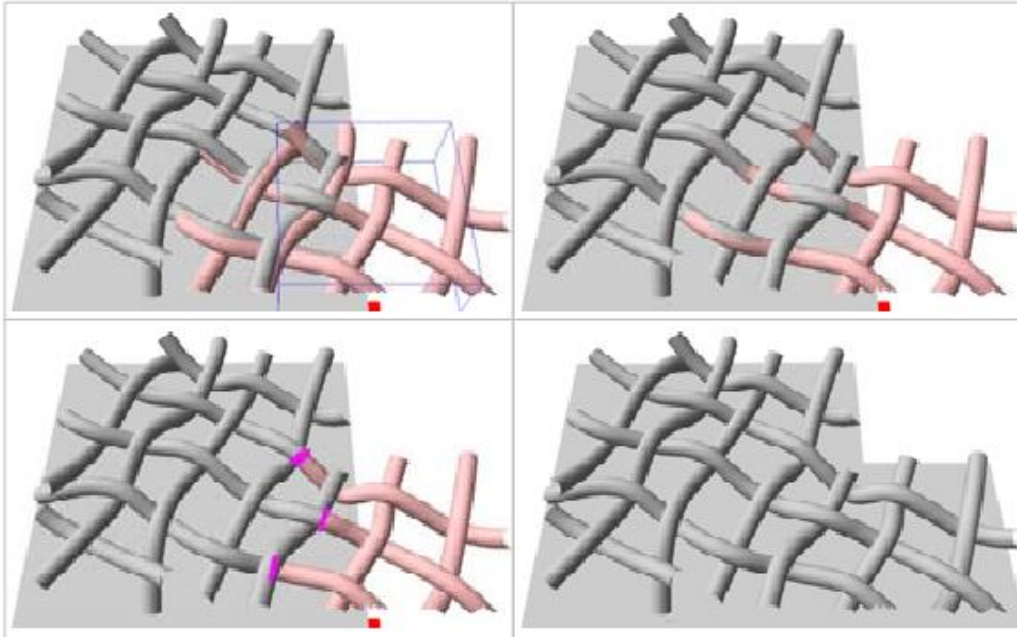
Synthesis result

Synthesis of surface details [Bhat04]



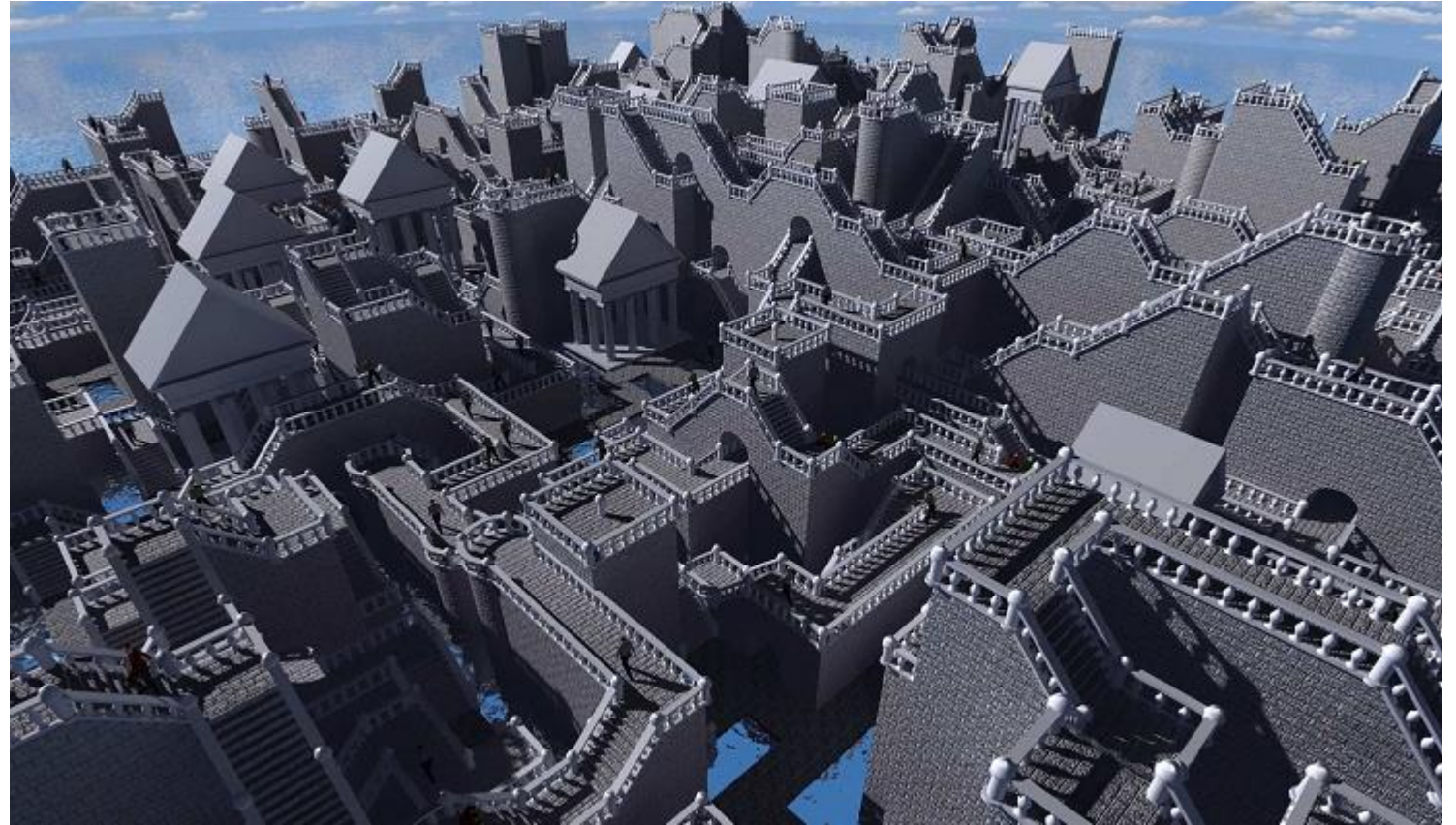
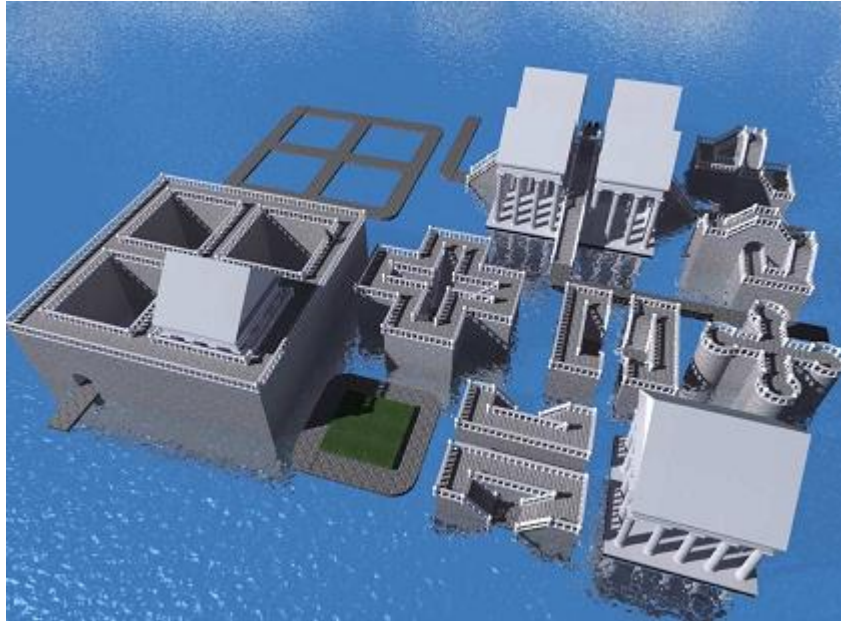
- 3D texture synthesis applied to volume representation
→ can handle non-height-field details

Mesh Quilting [Zhou06]

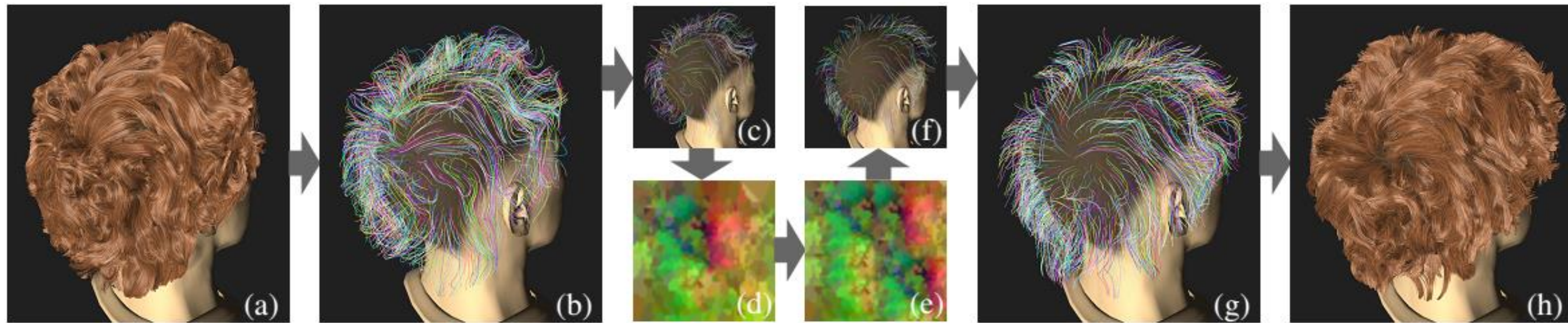


- Careful stitching of neighboring triangle meshes

Synthesis of architectural models [Merrell07]



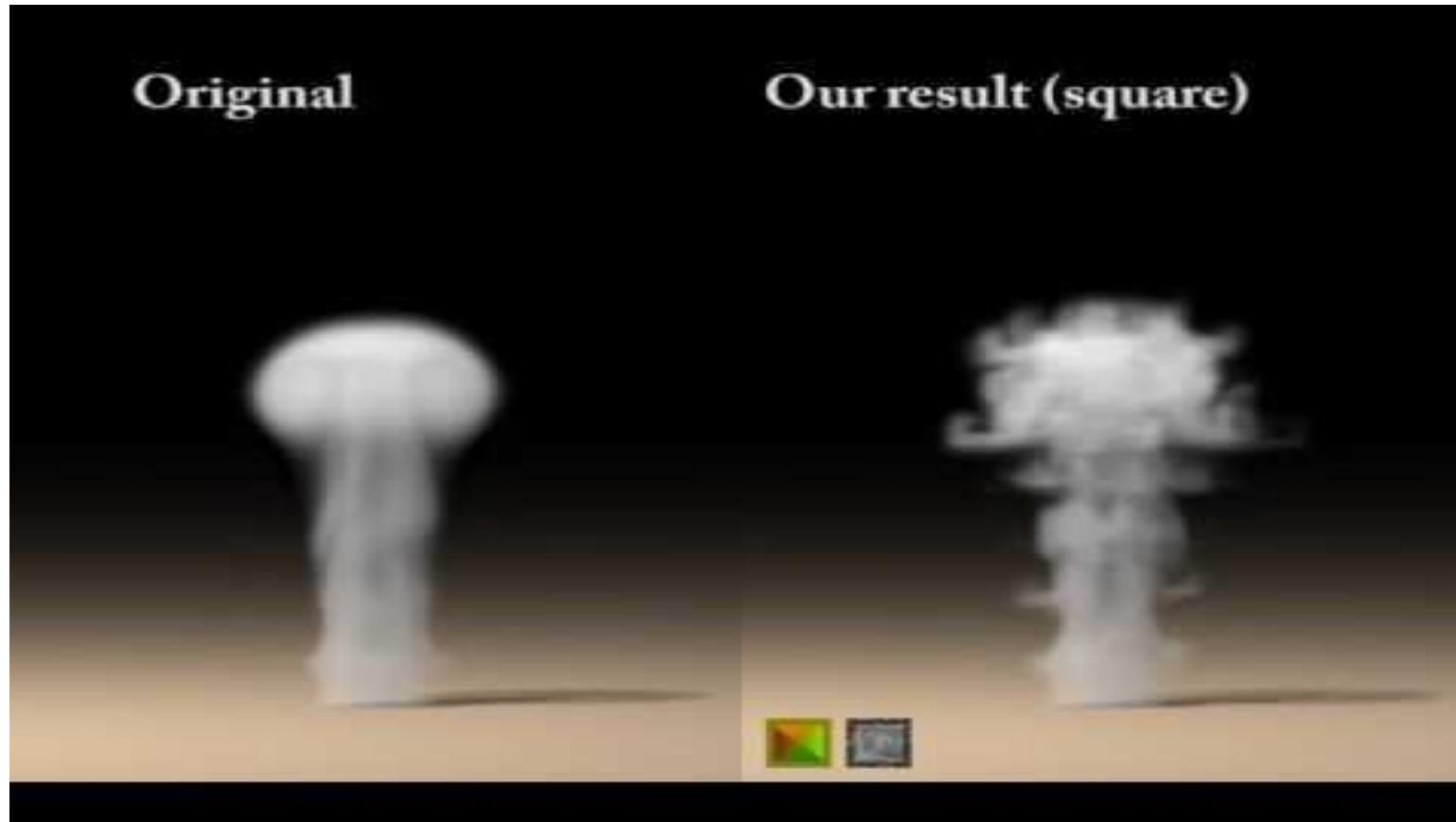
Hair synthesis [Wang09]



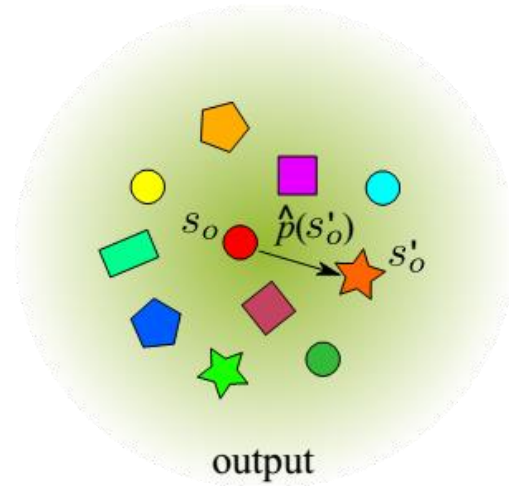
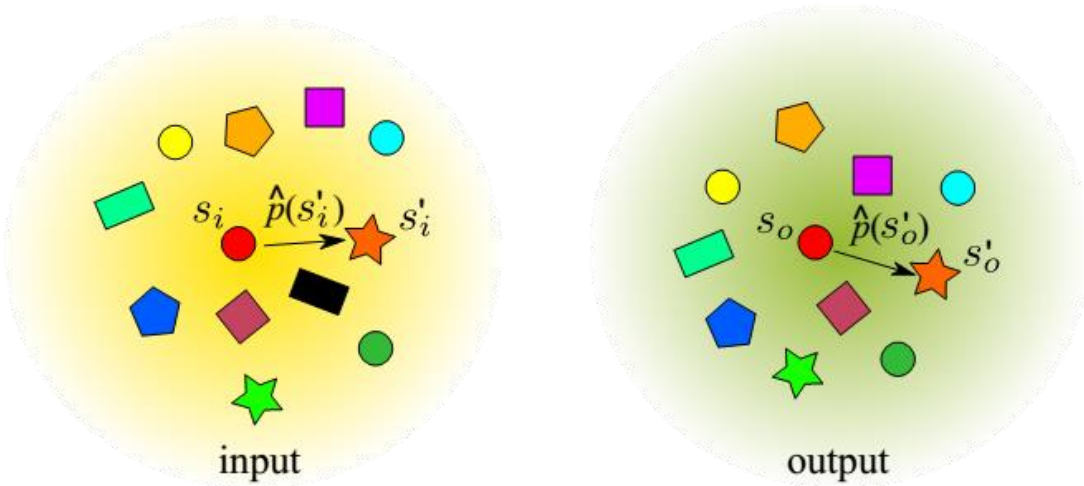
- Single hair strand = 3D polyline with N vertices = $3N$ dim vector
➔ Regarding this as color, apply texture synthesis

Synthesis of artistic vortices for fluids [Ma09]

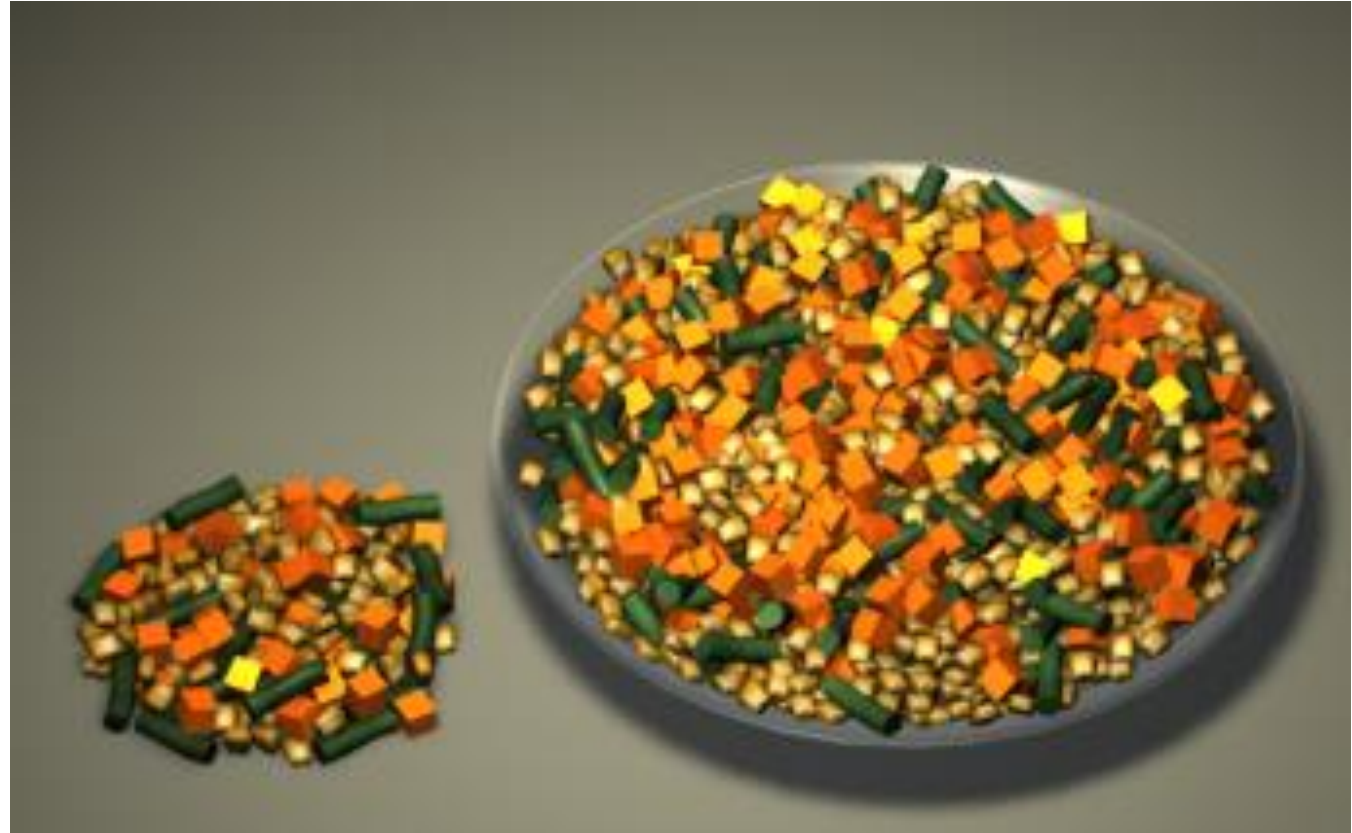
- Synthesize detailed vortex velocity field along input low-res velocity field
 - Regarding 2D/3D velocity vector as colors, apply texture synthesis



Synthesis of element arrangement [Ma11]



- Define similarity between distributions of sample points
- Optimization algorithm similar to [Kwatra05]



Pointers

- Existing implementations
 - <http://www2.mta.ac.il/~tal/ImageCompletion/ImageCompletion1.01.zip>
 - http://www.cs.princeton.edu/gfx/pubs/Barnes_2009_PAR/patchmatch-2.1.zip
 - <http://research.nii.ac.jp/~takayama/cggems12/cggems12.zip>
- Surveys
 - State of the art in example-based texture synthesis [Wei EG09STAR]
 - Solid-Texture Synthesis; A Survey [Pietroni CGA10]