More experimenting with color based segmentation

Wrote a clustering algorithm that does not need number of partitions specified (see project two-point-correlation). Then converted the colors to CIE XY Lab color space, and then polar angle of the color point (excluded black colors which are not defined in that space and white). Then made maps of CIEXY polar theta and the number of points with that polar theta (=frequency). The single map provides better segmentation when partitioned by frequency so made 4 partitions, then found clusters within those 4 maps separately.

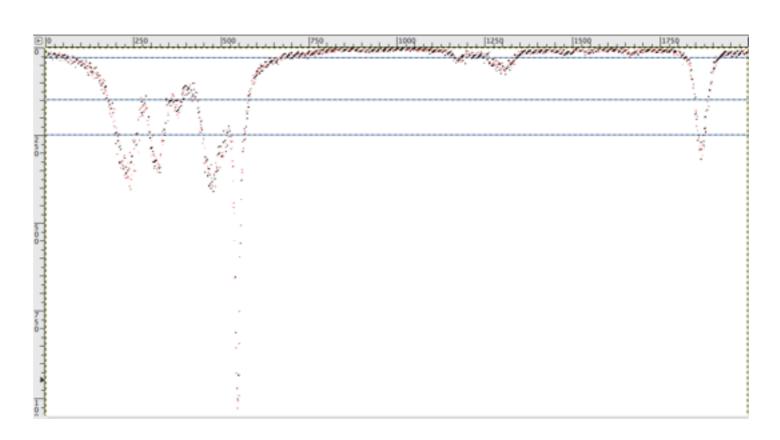
Each map got rescaled so the limits of its data fill a certain boundary. (The clustering algorithm uses dynamic programming so a smaller range of data has a faster runtime).

These are the results of partitions fixed to 0.03, 0.15, 0.25, 1.0 X max frequency and varying range sizes (which is similar to binning in that reference frame). The first frequency range, 0 to 0.03 X max frequency are the least frequent colors so those are left out of clustering and become a single set of pixels, that is a cluster).

Each resulting cluster is assigned a rotating color out of 28 possible colors and that's what is presented in the segmented images. The colors don't have value except delineating different clusters.

The original picture is below and the CIEXY Polar Theta vs frequency scaled to 2000 x 1000 before partitioning





Notes:

haven't yet implemented a correction to shift the theta range so that an existing gap is placed at 360, resulting in the original 360 and 0 being adjacent

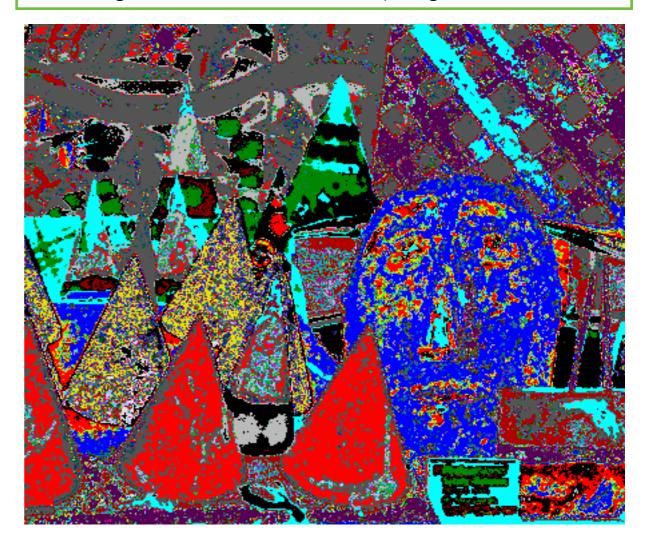
can see that one could apply merging rules easily to the 3000 x 1000 for embedded small clusters to result in large cluster.

The two color circle (last page) shows that the pixels left out of clustering (seen in black) should be merged into the closest adjacent color pixel's cluster.

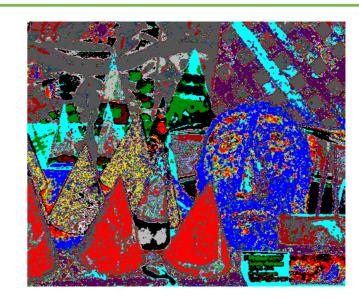
theta range scaled to 3000 and freq range scaled to 3000



theta range scaled to 3000 and freq range scaled to 1000



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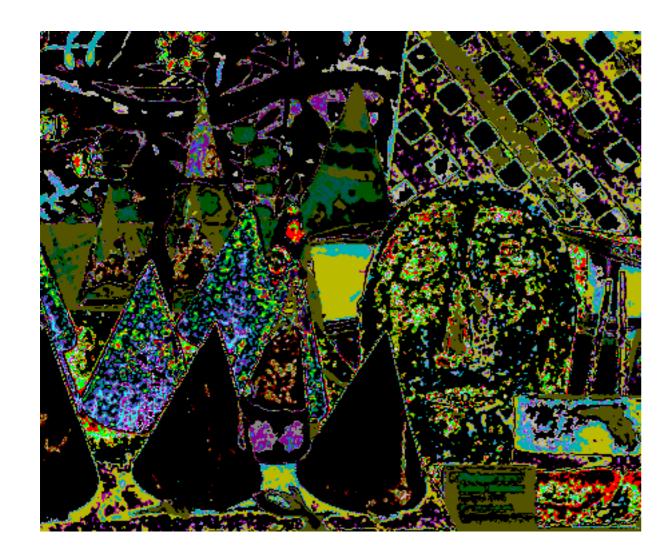


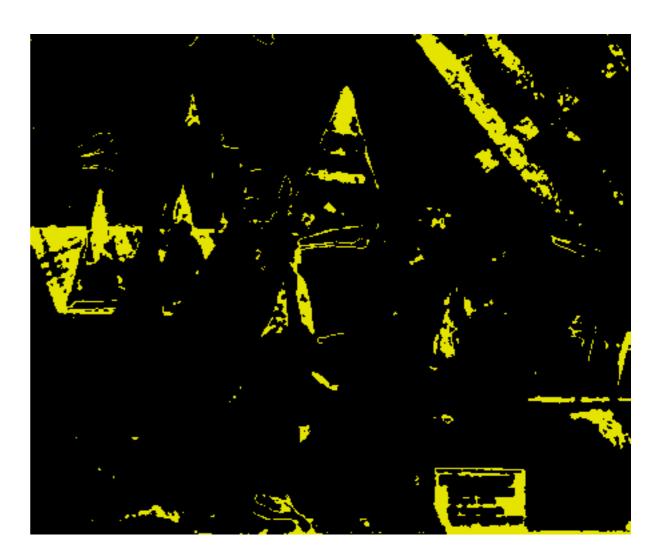
There is a blur of sigma=1 applied before. Note that the edges which are due to the blur and aliasing tend to be large frequency color groups.

Note that when a blur isn't applied, the results look more granulated as expected.

theta range scaled to 500 and freq range scaled to 500

theta range scaled to 200 and freq range scaled to 200





intensity and color ranges have collapsed, leaving only black and white pixel groups.

Same is presented for the cloudy san jose image.

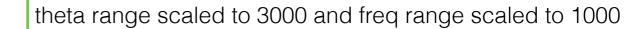
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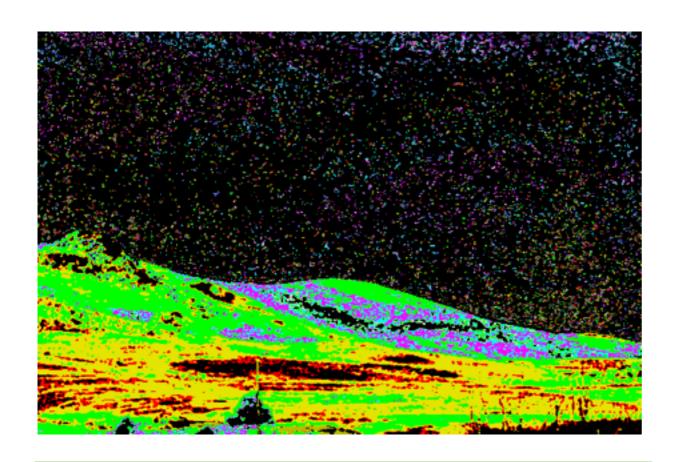
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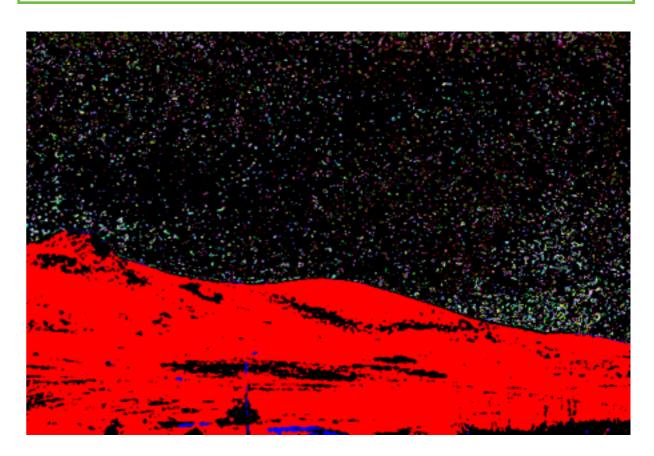


theta range scaled to 3000 and freq range scaled to 3000

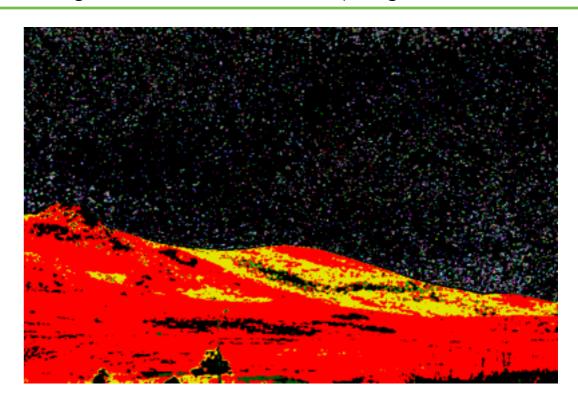




theta range scaled to 3000 and freq range scaled to 500

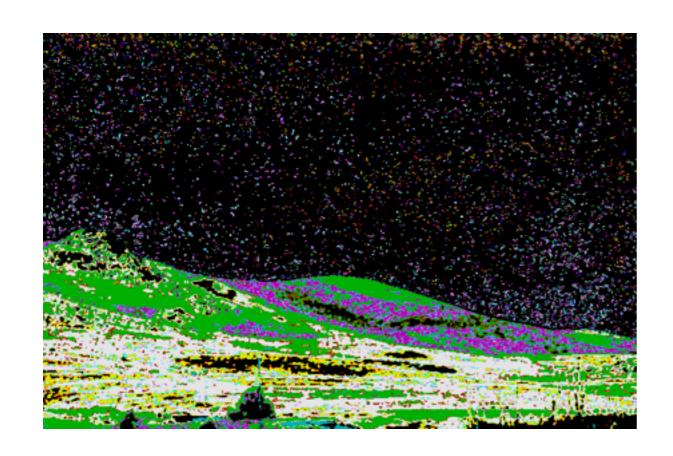


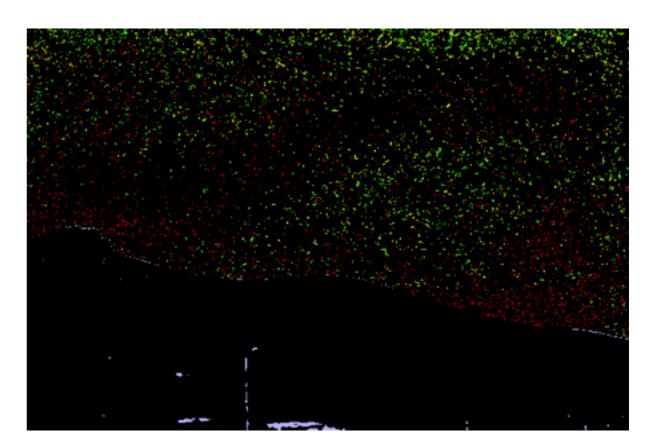
theta range scaled to 2000 and freq range scaled to 1000



theta range scaled to 2000 and freq range scaled to 2000

theta range scaled to 1000 and freq range scaled to 1000





theta range scaled to 500 and freq range scaled to 500

theta range scaled to 200 and freq range scaled to 200





original image

segmented: theta range scaled to 3000 and freq range scaled to 1000

