Independent study: Image and Audio Generation and Editing using Python

Phileas Dazeley Gaist, College of the Atlantic, Fall term 2021 • My final will be a short video presentation of a selection of ten digital media recording, editing, and generation processes, as well as a GitHub repository of examples and documentation explaining how to make use of them.

Media files == arrays of data

- Image files = 2d or 2d arrays of shape (height, width, channels)
- Audio files = n-dimensional arrays of shape of shape (channel1, channel2...) + a sample rate
- Video files ≈ a list of arrays of images + an audio array

N-dimensional arrays = n-dimensional arrays subdivided N-n times

Where N represents a number of dimensions superior to n.

- A 1d array can be turned into a 2d array by splitting the dimension of the array into a number of smaller arrays (one division).
- A 2d array can be turned into a 3d array by dividing the "deepest" axis of the array into a number of smaller arrays (one division)

To go from a 1d array to a 3d array requires a 2 division of the axis of the 1d array. This principle is generalisable to any number of dimensions.

What this means: the number of dimensions doesn't really matter

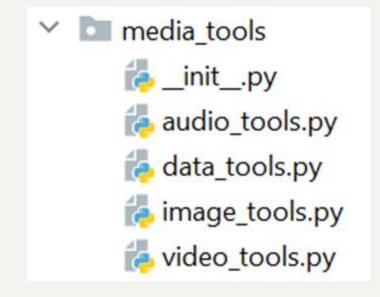
For our purposes, we can edit audio or image arrays using the same tools.

*This does not extent to video because videos are more analogous to lists: they contain arrays of different types and different sizes, which contrary to variances in the number of dimensions, makes our life a little harder.

The `media_tools` package

Data can be

- Mapped
- Transformed
- Generated
- Messed with (transformations, but wacky)



Examples:Mapping, Transforming, and Generating data to be saved as media.

Mapping

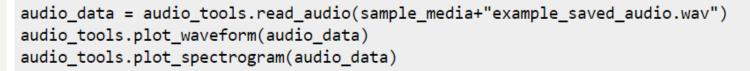
Taking data from a media file of a certain type, casting it into the shape of a media file of another type, and reading it as another media file type.

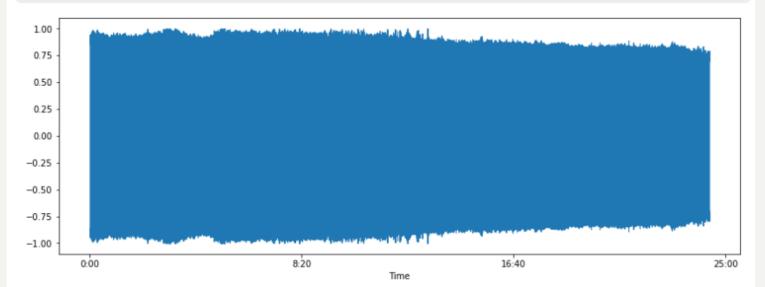
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# read a picture
picture = image_tools.read_image(path=sample_media+"student_guide.jpg")
image_tools.show_image(picture)

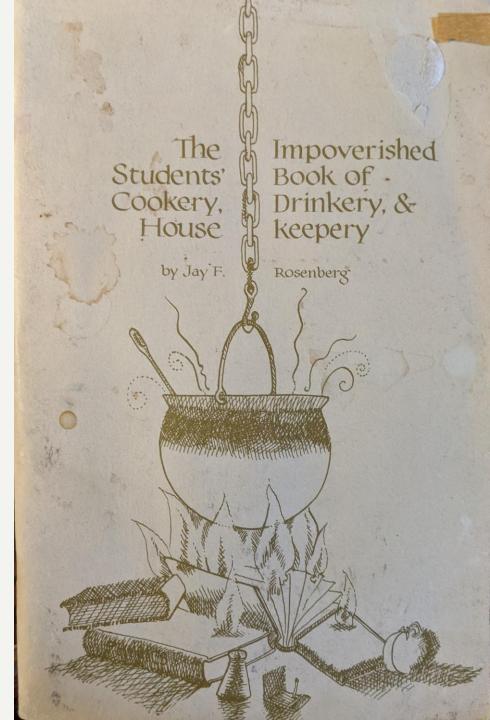
# normalise picture data array
picture_norm = data_tools.normalise_array(picture)

# flatten the image data into a time series
audio_data = data_tools.flatten_array(picture_norm)

# save data to audio file
audio_tools.save_audio(audio_data, path=sample_media+"example_saved_audio.wav'
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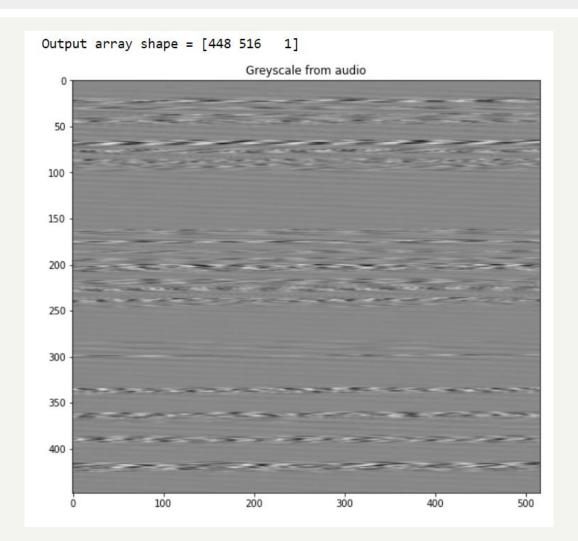






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# load an audio file
audio_data = audio_tools.read_audio(sample_media+"stereo_sample.wav", mono=True, return_sr=False)

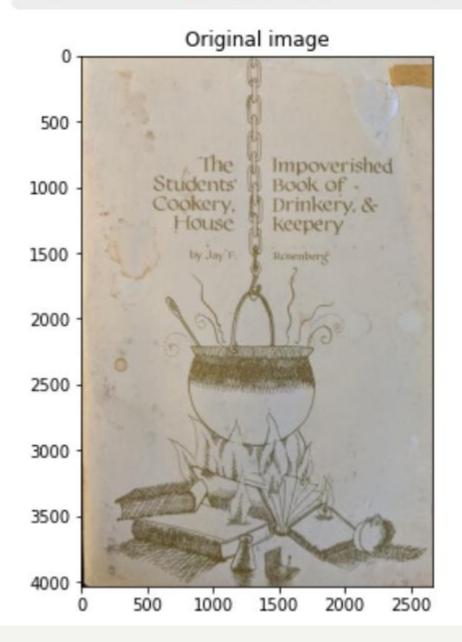
# converting a mono audio file to a greyscale image
image_bw = image_tools.array_1d_to_grayscale(audio_data)
image_tools.show_image(image_bw, axis=True, title="Greyscale from audio")
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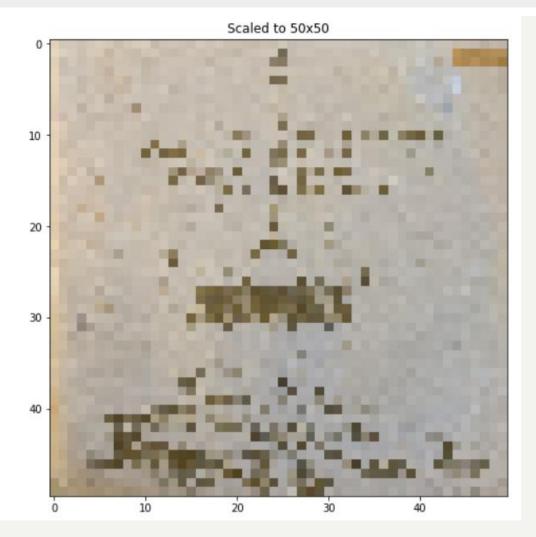
Transformations

- Scaling
- Rotation
- Translation
- Reflection
- Cropping
- Blitting

show the original image
image_tools.show_image(image, axis=True, title="Original image", scale_ratio=1.5)



array scaled to a range of 50x50 square
array_scaled_to_50x50 = data_tools.rescale_2d_array(image, (50, 50))
image_tools.show_image(array_scaled_to_50x50, axis=True, title="Scaled to 50x50")



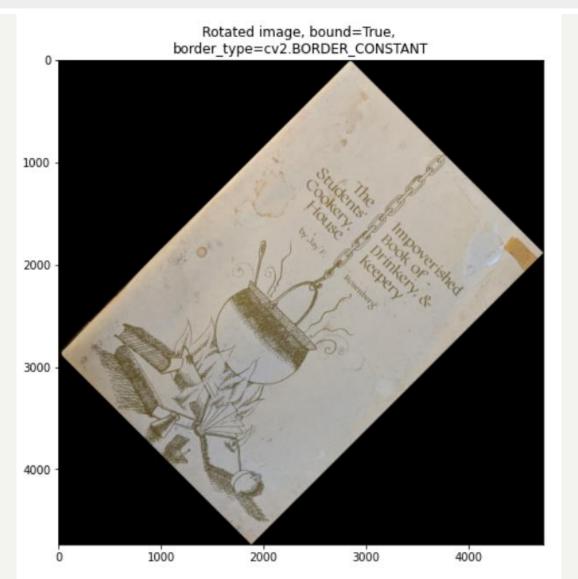
1. Rotation with preserved array size:

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# rotate the image by 45 degrees, but crop the image to the original size:
img_rotated = image_tools.rotate_image(image, angle=45, bound=False, border_type=cv2.BORDER_CONSTANT, border_value=(0, 0, 0))
image_tools.show_image(img_rotated, axis=True, title="Rotated image, bound=False, \nborder_type=cv2.BORDER_CONSTANT")
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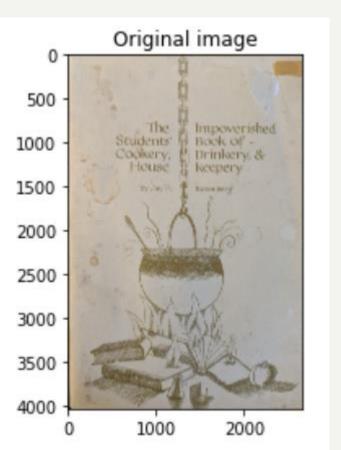
2. Rotation with preserved array data:

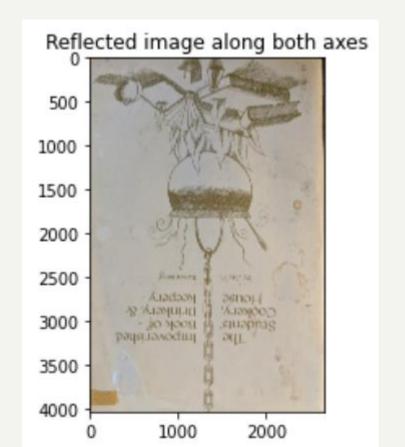
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# rotate the image by 45 degrees without losing any part of the image:
img_rotated = image_tools.rotate_image(image, angle=45, bound=True, border_type=cv2.BORDER_CONSTANT, border_value=(0, 0, 0))
image_tools.show_image(img_rotated, axis=True, title="Rotated image, bound=True, \nborder_type=cv2.BORDER_CONSTANT")
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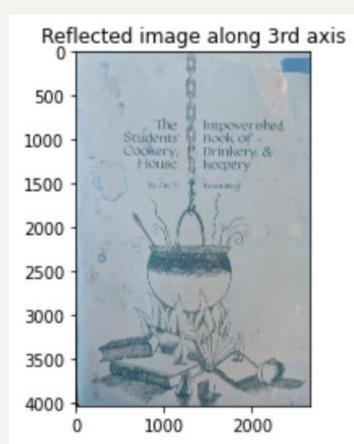


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# show the start image
image_tools.show_image(image, axis=True, title="Original image", scale_ratio=1)
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# get image reflection along both axes
image_reflected = data_tools.flip_2d_array(image, axes=(0, 1))
image_tools.show_image(image_reflected, axis=True, title="Reflected image along both axes", scale_ratio=1)
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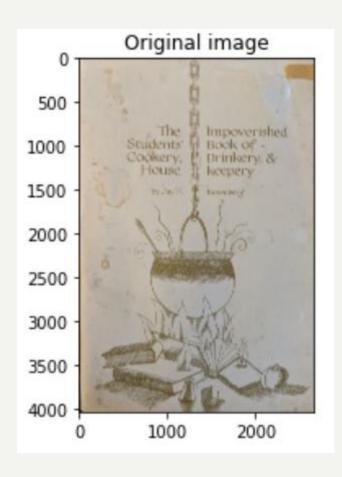


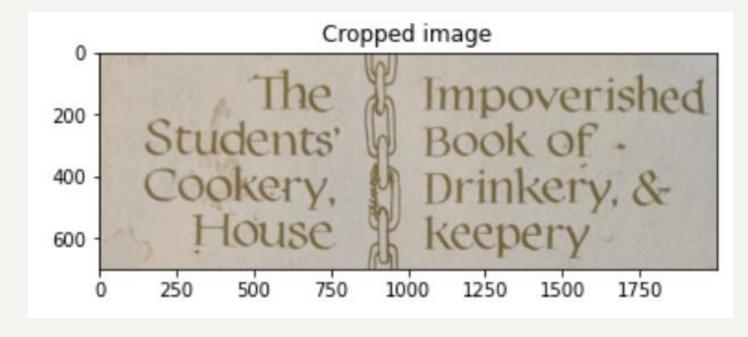




show the start image
image_tools.show_image(image, axis=True, title="Original image", scale_ratio=1)

crop an image to a range described by the top left and bottom right corners
image_cropped = image_tools.crop_image(image, top_left=(700, 400), bottom_right=(1400, 2400))
image_tools.show_image(image_cropped, axis=True, title="Cropped image", scale_ratio=1)

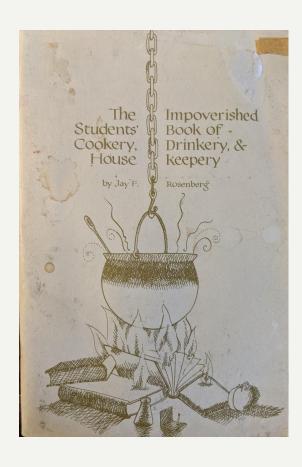


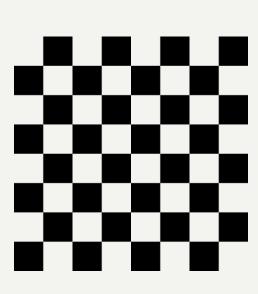


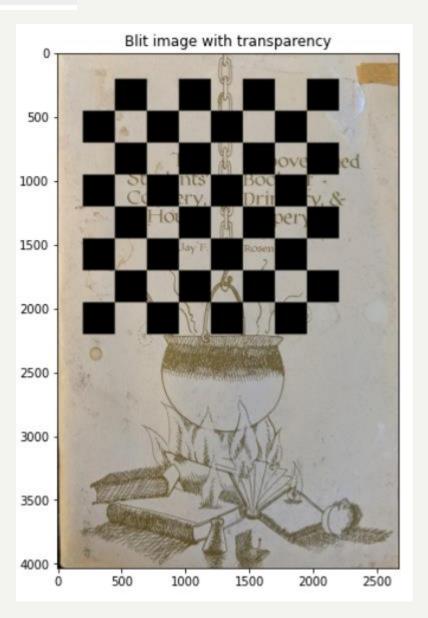
every translation can be described as a combination of translations along the axes of an array.
example 2d array translation:
image_translated = data_tools.translate_2d_array(image, 1255, 1000, border_type=cv2.BORDER_WRAP, border_value=(0, 0, 0))
image_tools.show_image(image_translated, axis=True, title="Translated image")



blit chessboard onto the destination
img_blit = data_tools.blit(img_source, img_dest, *(200, 200))
image_tools.show_image(img_blit, axis=True, title="Blit image with transparency")





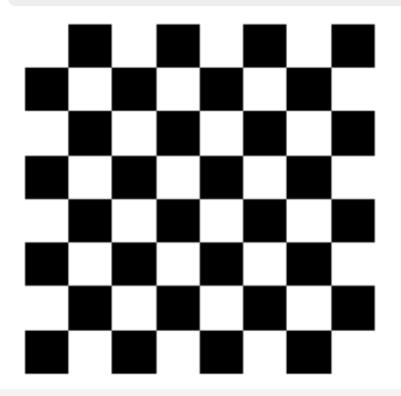


Generation

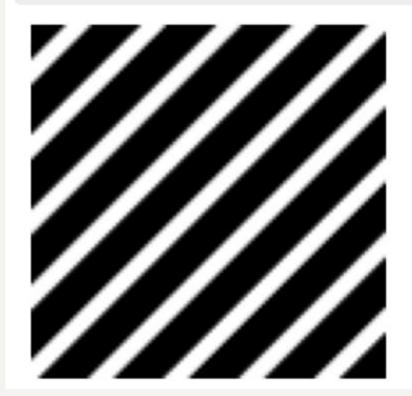
A couple of my favourite data generation tools (available in Data_generation.ipynb in the project documentation)

- Chessboards
- Stripes
- Gradients

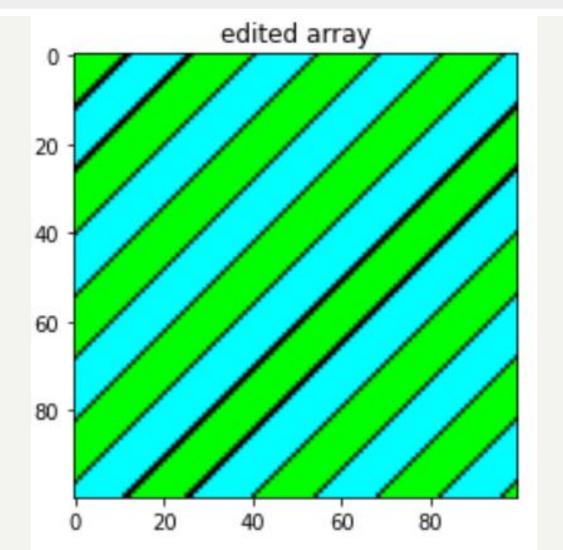
chessboard = create_chessboard()
image_tools.show_image(chessboard, scale_ratio=1)



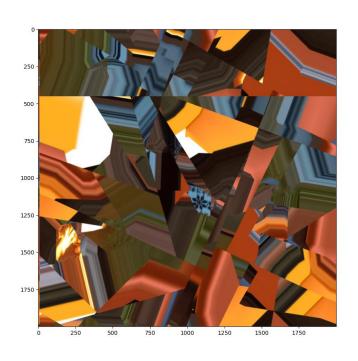
stripes = create_alternating_stripes((100, 100, 4), 10, 5, 45)
image_tools.show_image(stripes, scale_ratio=1)



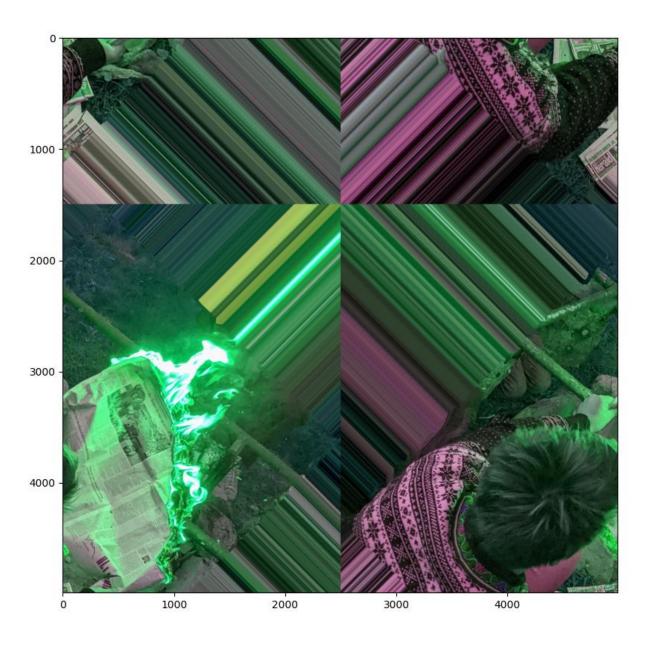
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array2edit = np.zeros((100, 100, 3))
edit_mask = create_alternating_stripes(array2edit.shape, neg_stripe_width=10, pos_stripe_width=10, angle=-45, vertical=False)
array2edit[edit_mask == 1] = (0, 255, 0)
array2edit[edit_mask == 0] = (0, 255, 255)
# show the edited array
image_tools.show_image(array2edit, axis=True, title="edited array", scale_ratio=1)
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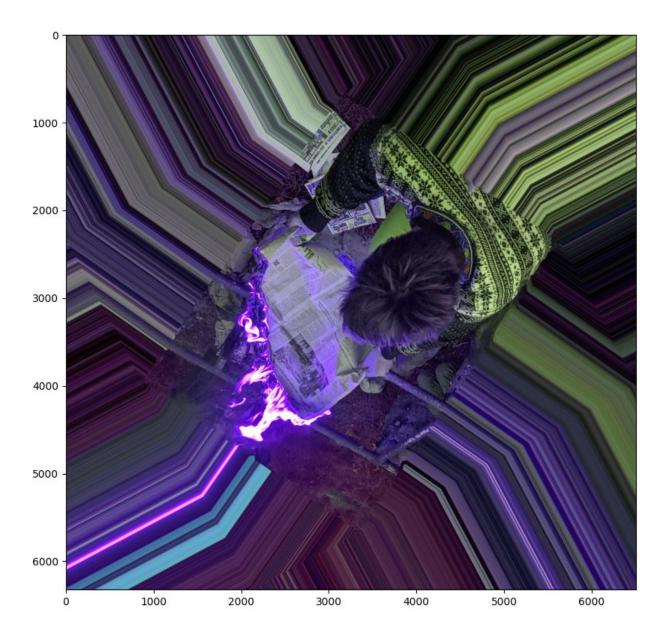


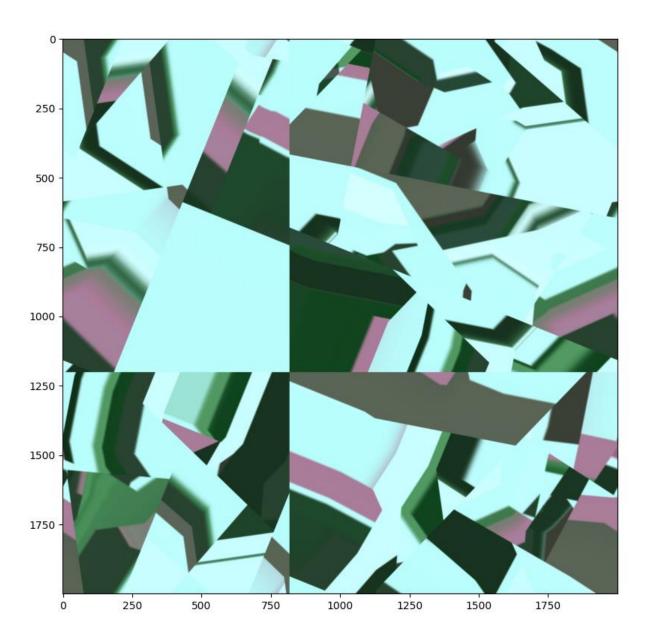
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# create a gradient
gradient = create_gradient((100, 100), angle=45, vertical=True)
# show the gradient
image_tools.show_image(gradient, "gradient, vertical, 45 degrees clockwise")
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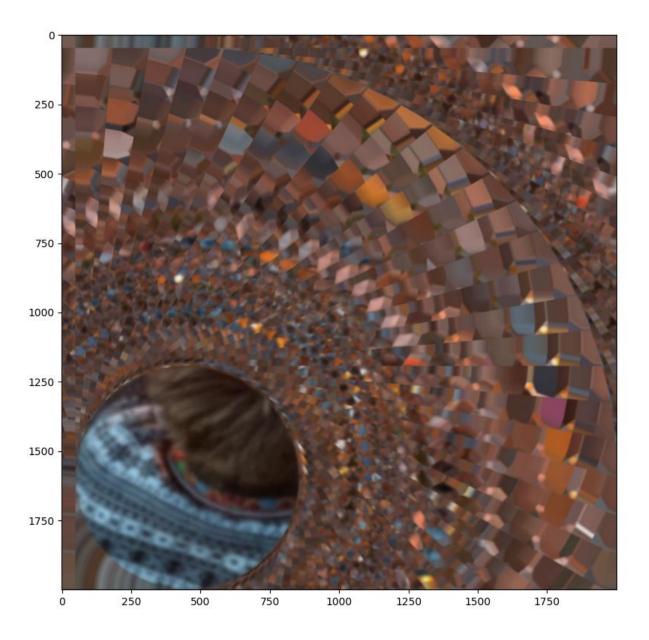


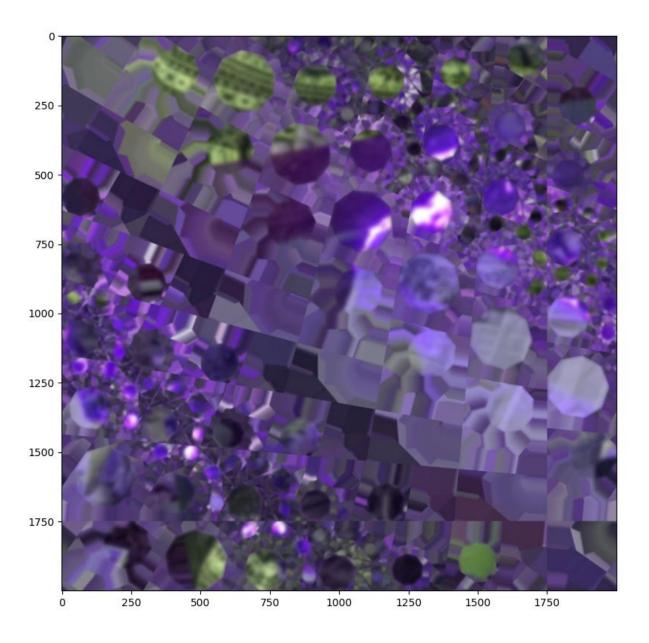


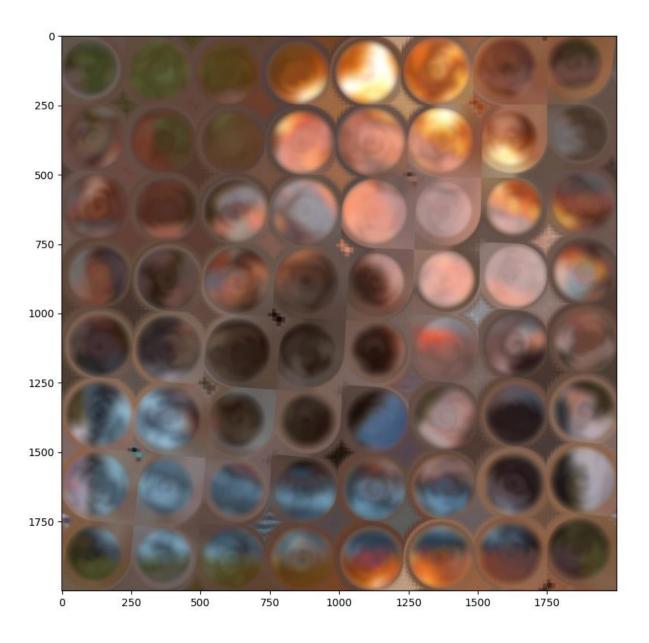












How to use this project yourself

- 1. Download Python
- 2. Head to https://github.com/phileasdg/Image and Audio Generation a nd Editing using Python and download my code
- 3. Install the dependencies using the command: pip install -r requirements.txt
- 4. Mess around and have fun!

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