

2018-02-12 Perceptual organization

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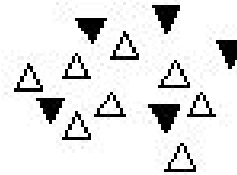
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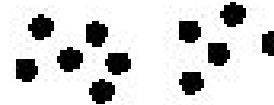
Perceptual organization

Discuss Biederman (1987).

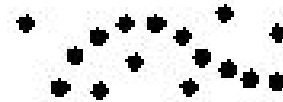
Similarity



Proximity



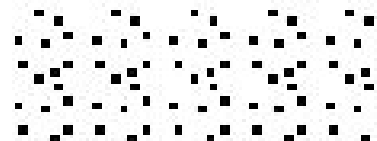
Good continuation



Symmetry

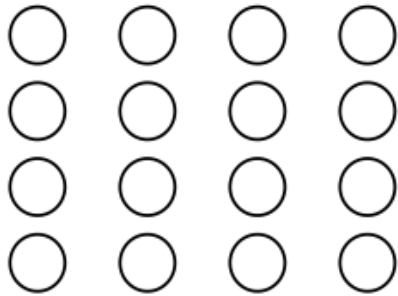


Periodicity

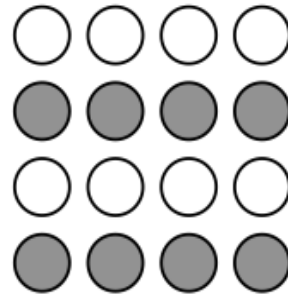


Perceptual grouping

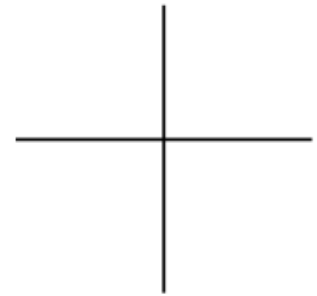
**proximity**



**similarity**



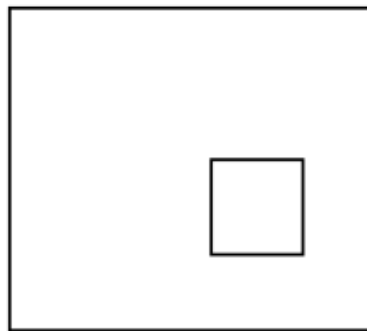
**continuity**



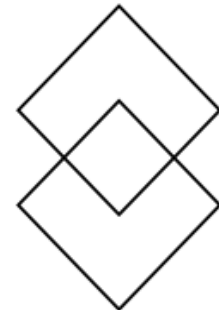
**closure**



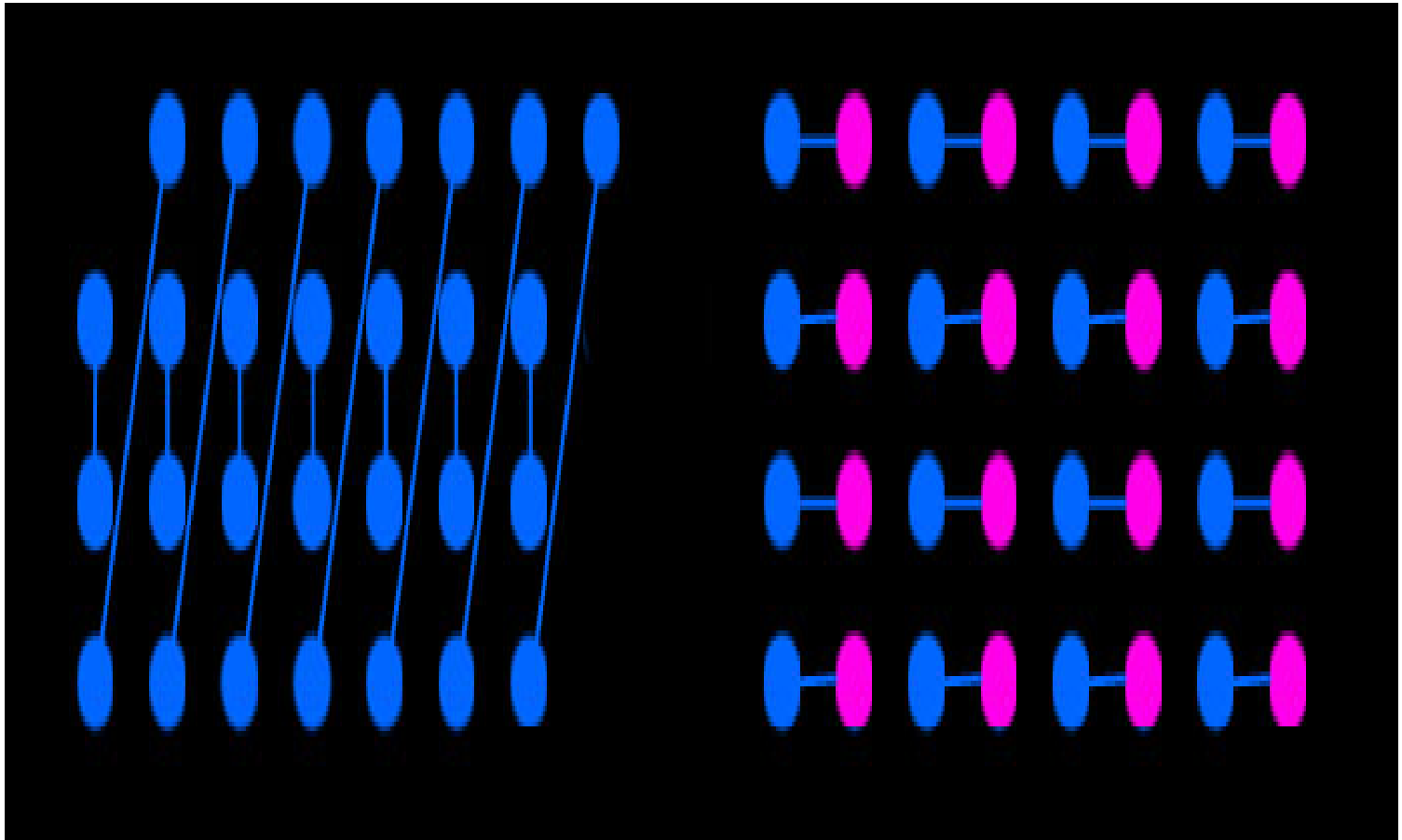
**area**



**symmetry**



Perceptual grouping



Element connectedness



Common region



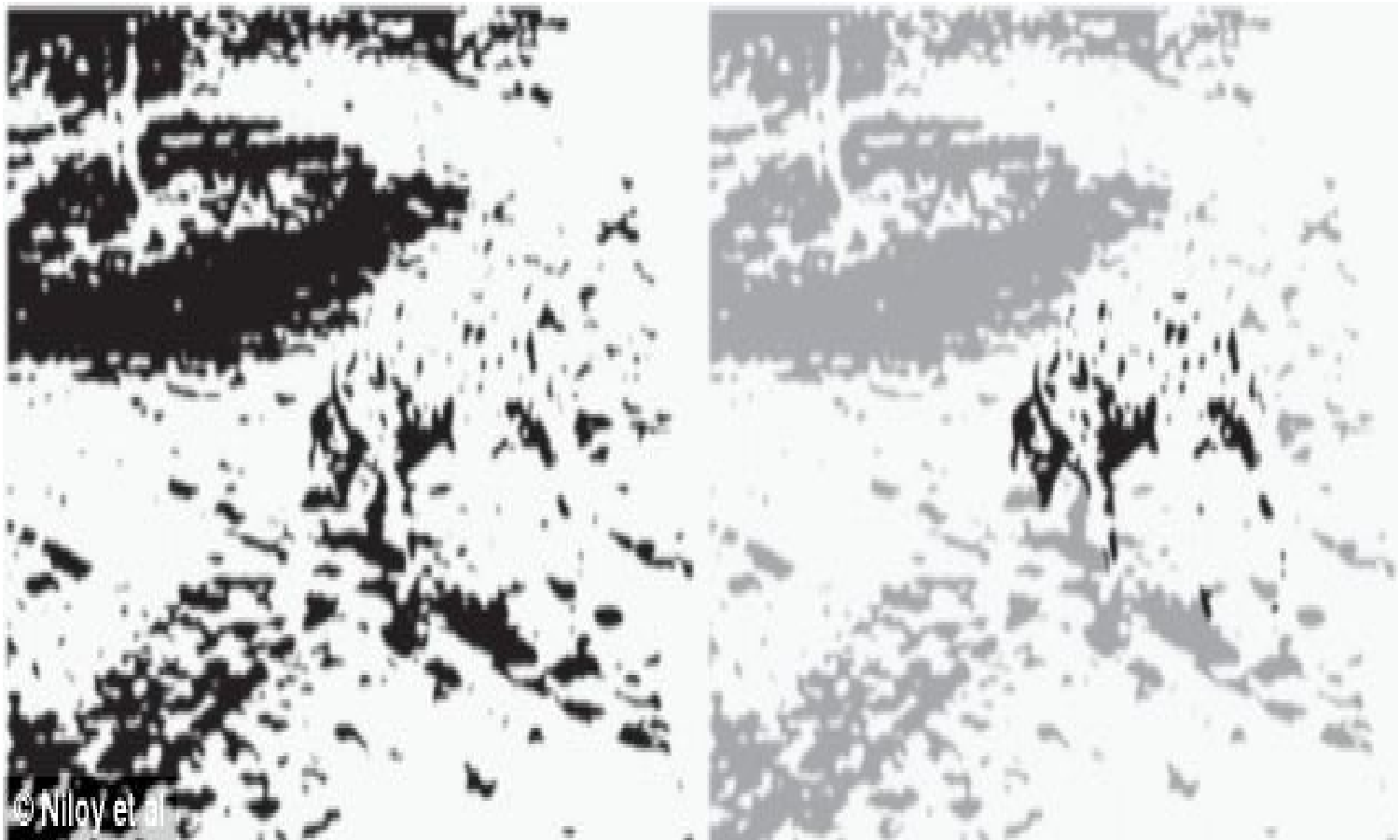
Johansson: Motion Perception part 1



## Motion and perceptual organization

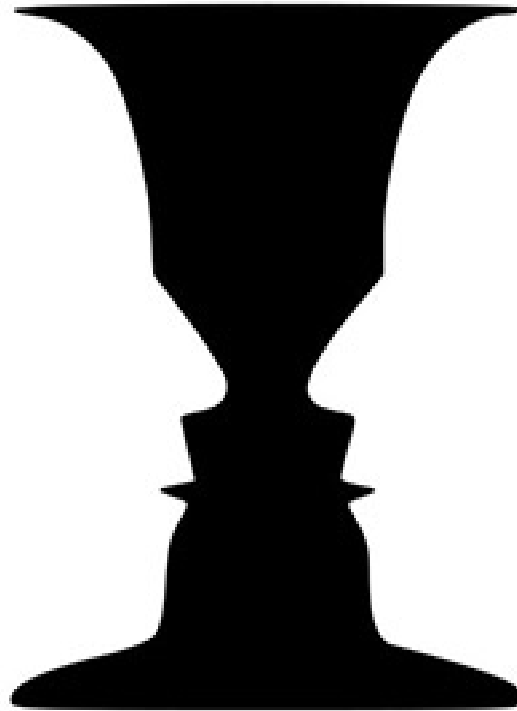
**Early or late?**

# Scene perception

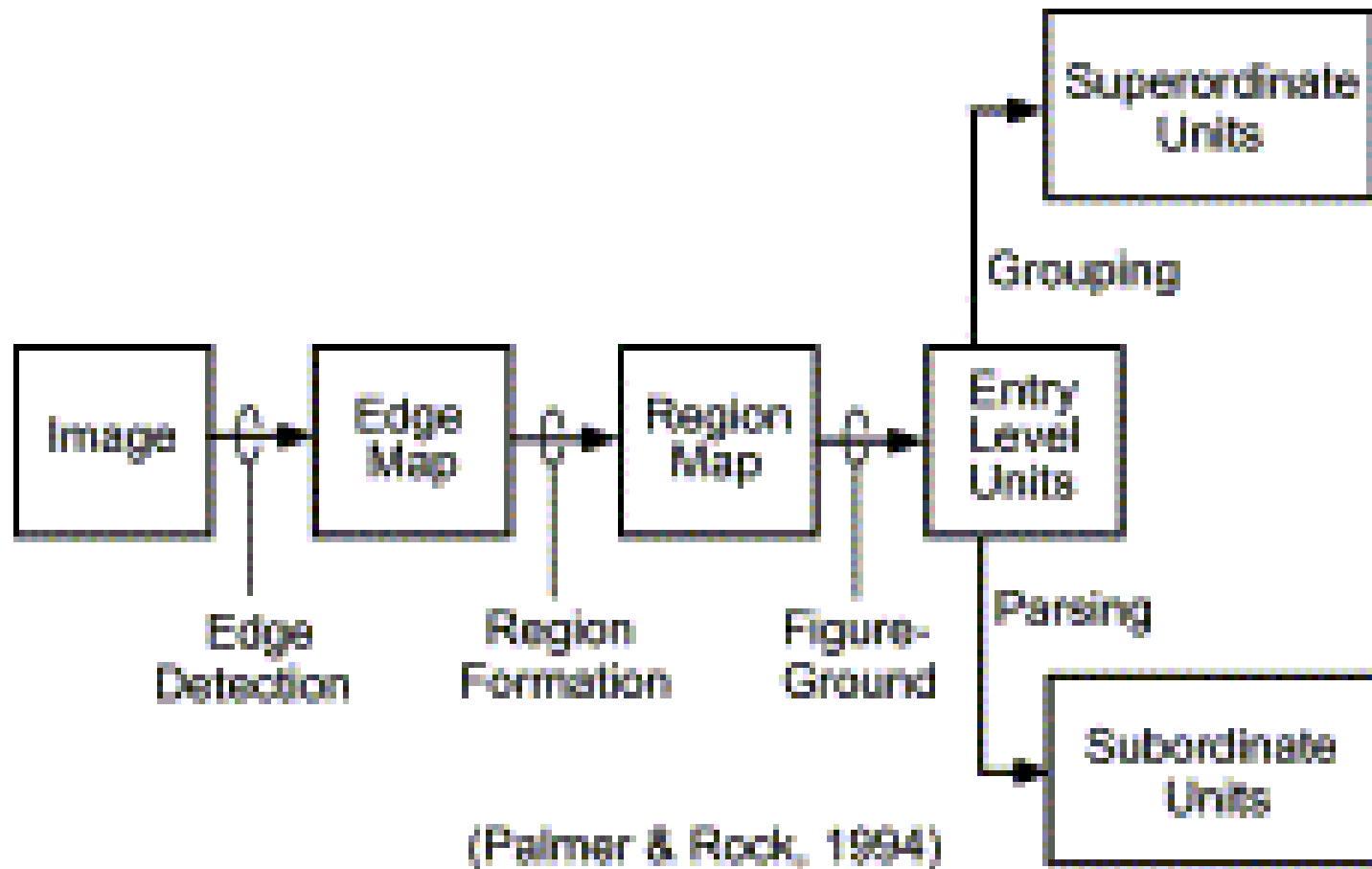


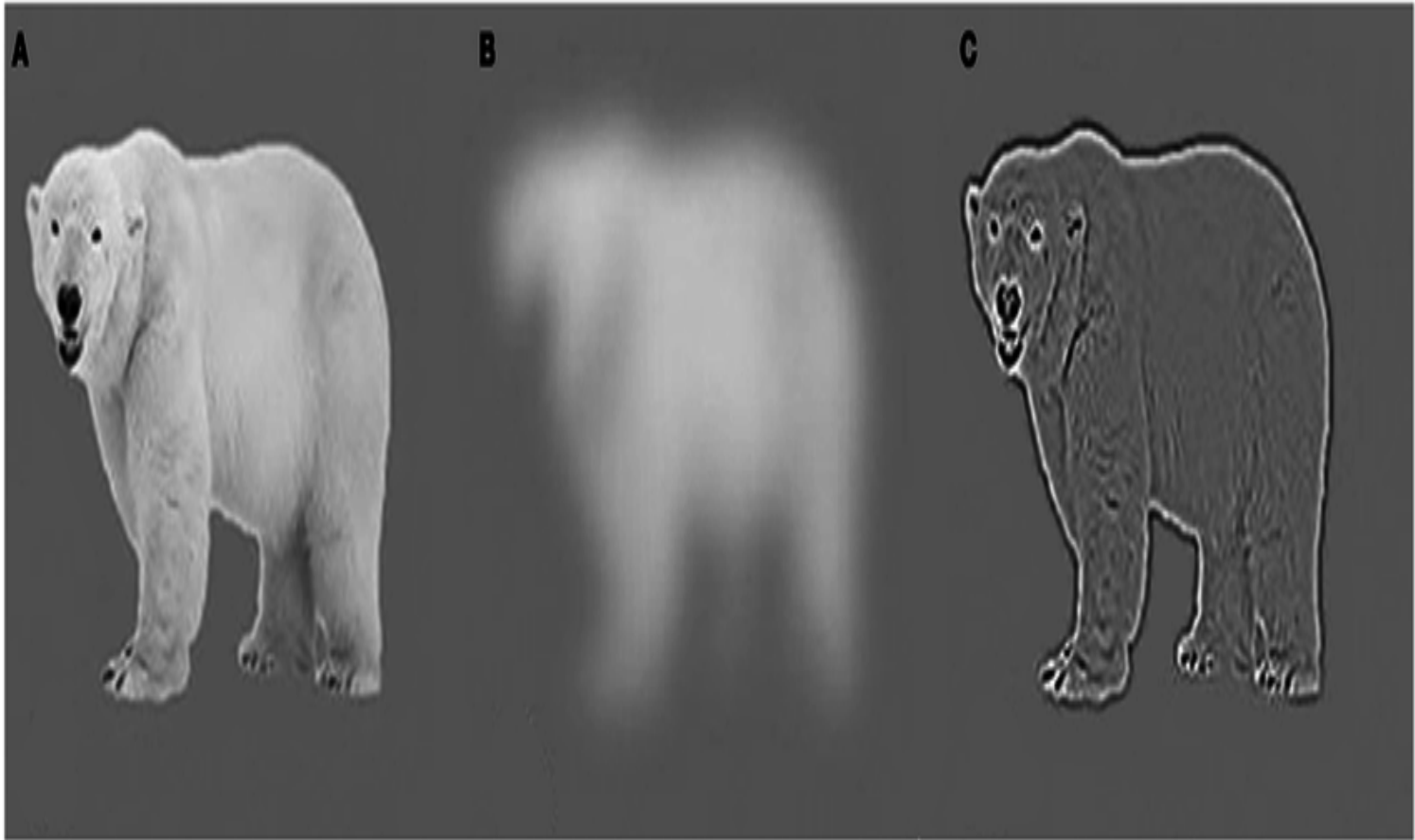
Analyzing regions/camouflage





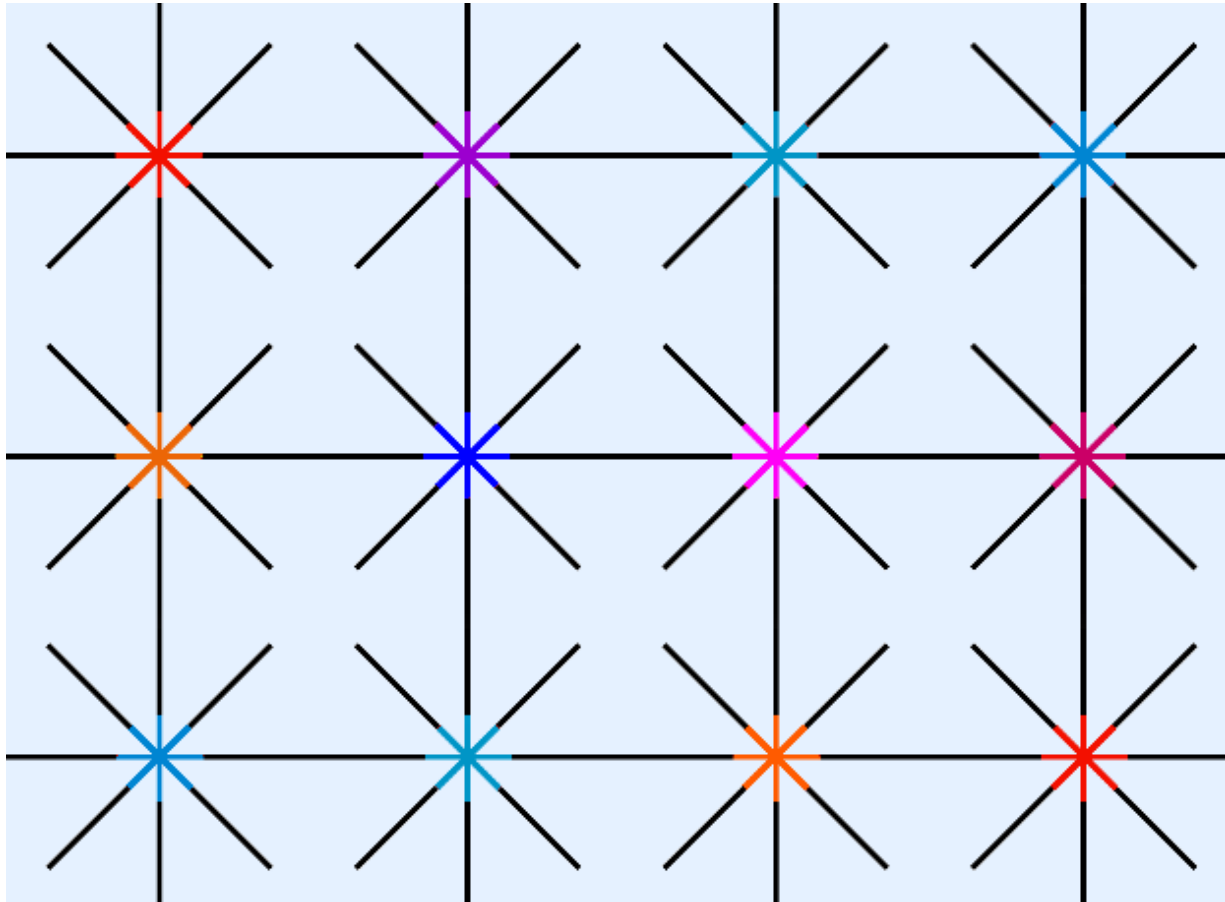
Uniform connectedness: region parsing before grouping? (Palmer & Rock)



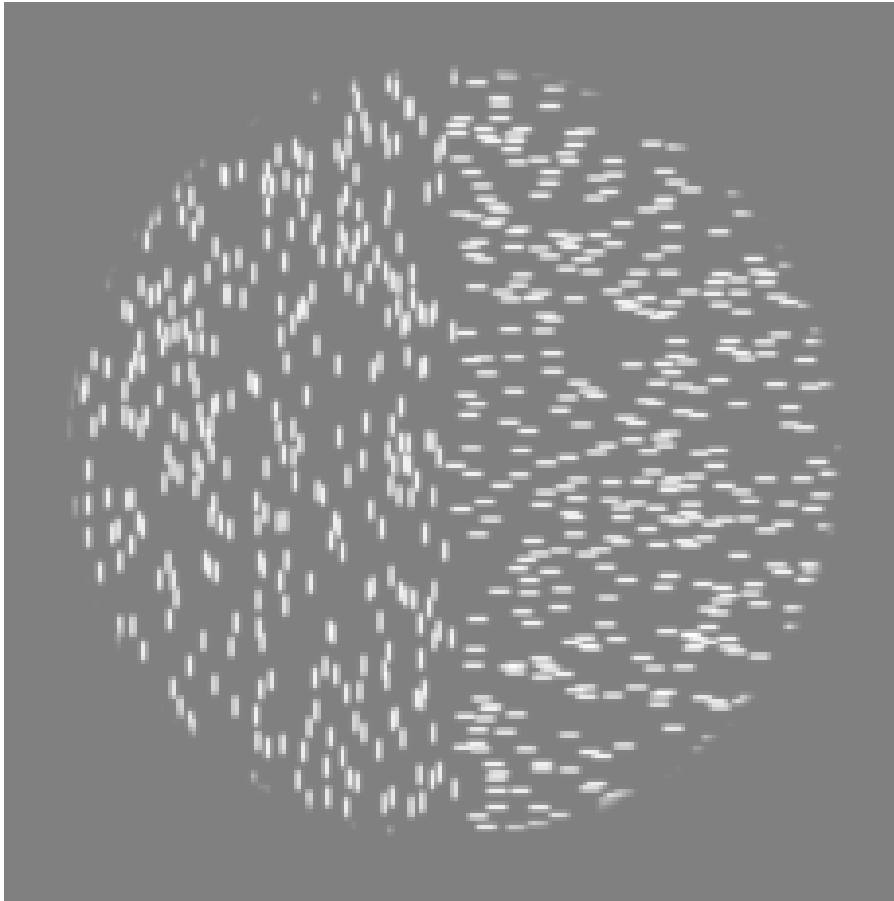


Edge detection through spatial frequency filtering

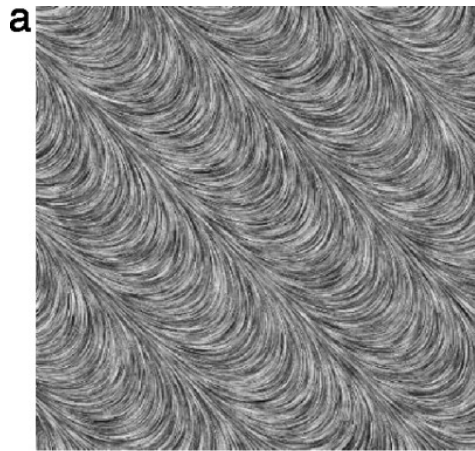




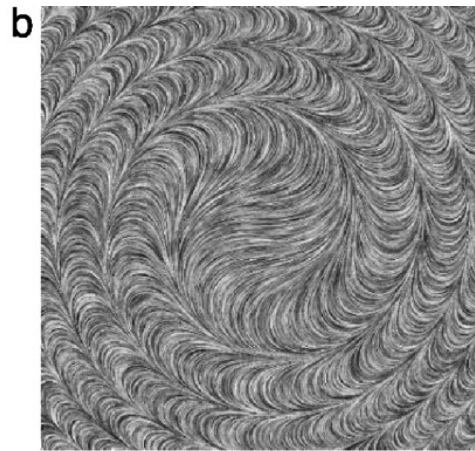
Illusory edges and spreading



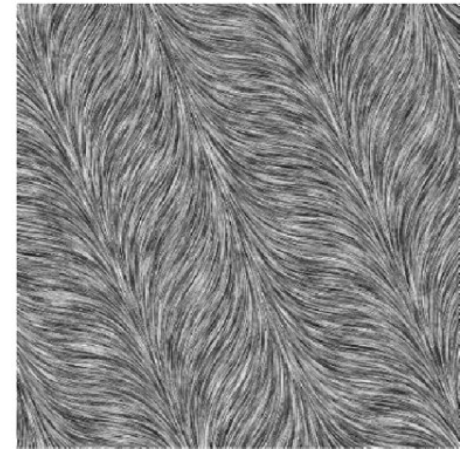
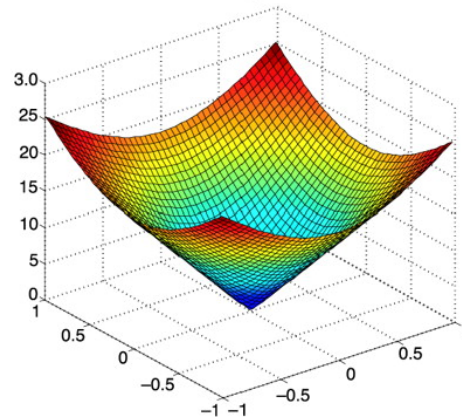
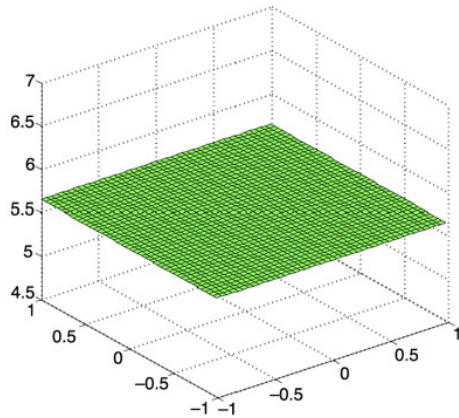
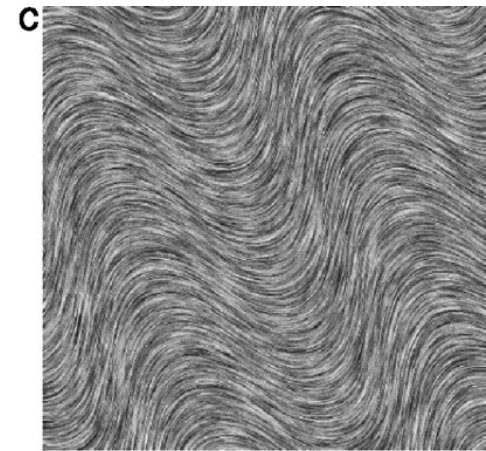
Texture segregation



Orientation gradient norm



Orientation gradient norm



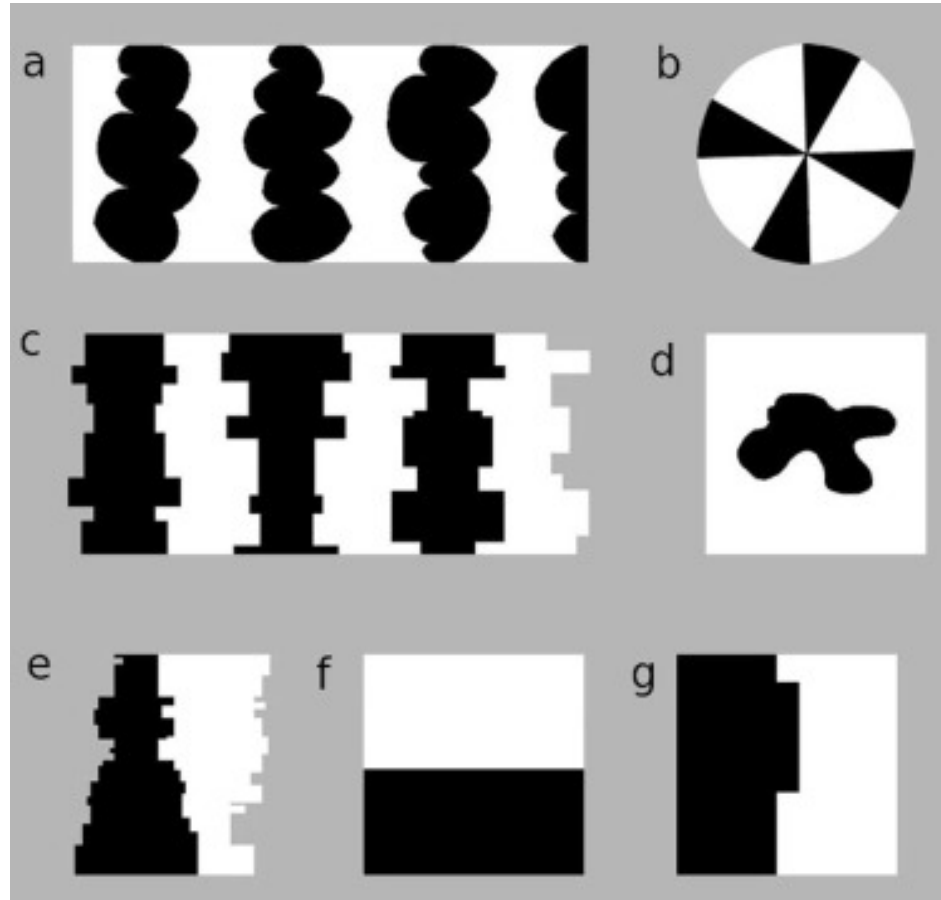
Ben-Shahar, O. (2006). Visual saliency and texture segregation without feature gradient. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America*, 103(42), 15704–15709. Retrieved from <http://dx.doi.org/10.1073/pnas.0604410103>



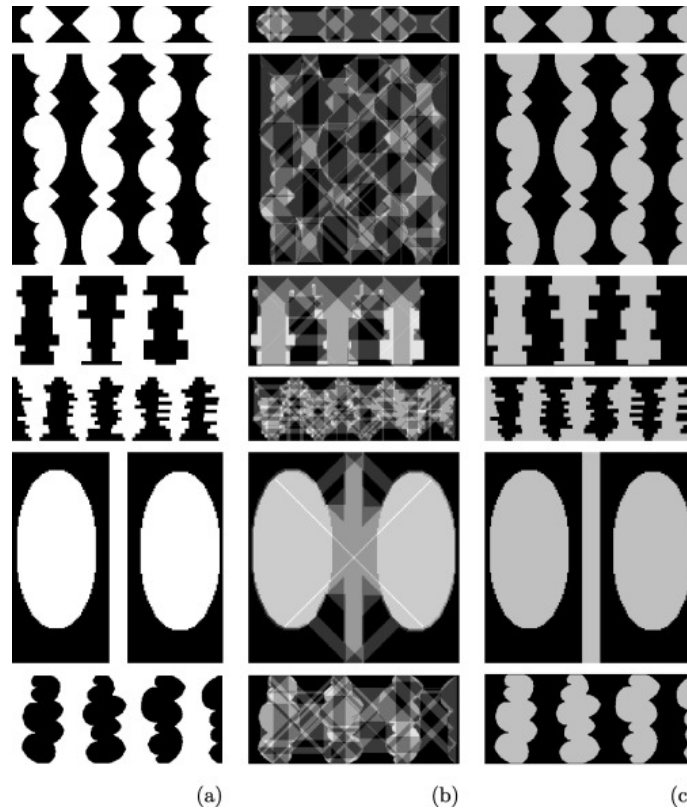
Figure/ground segregation

<b>Figure</b>	<b>Ground</b>
Thinglike	Not thinglike
Closer to observer	Farther from observer
Bounded by contour	Extends behind contour
Shape defined by contour	No shape at contour

Palmer Table 6.3.1

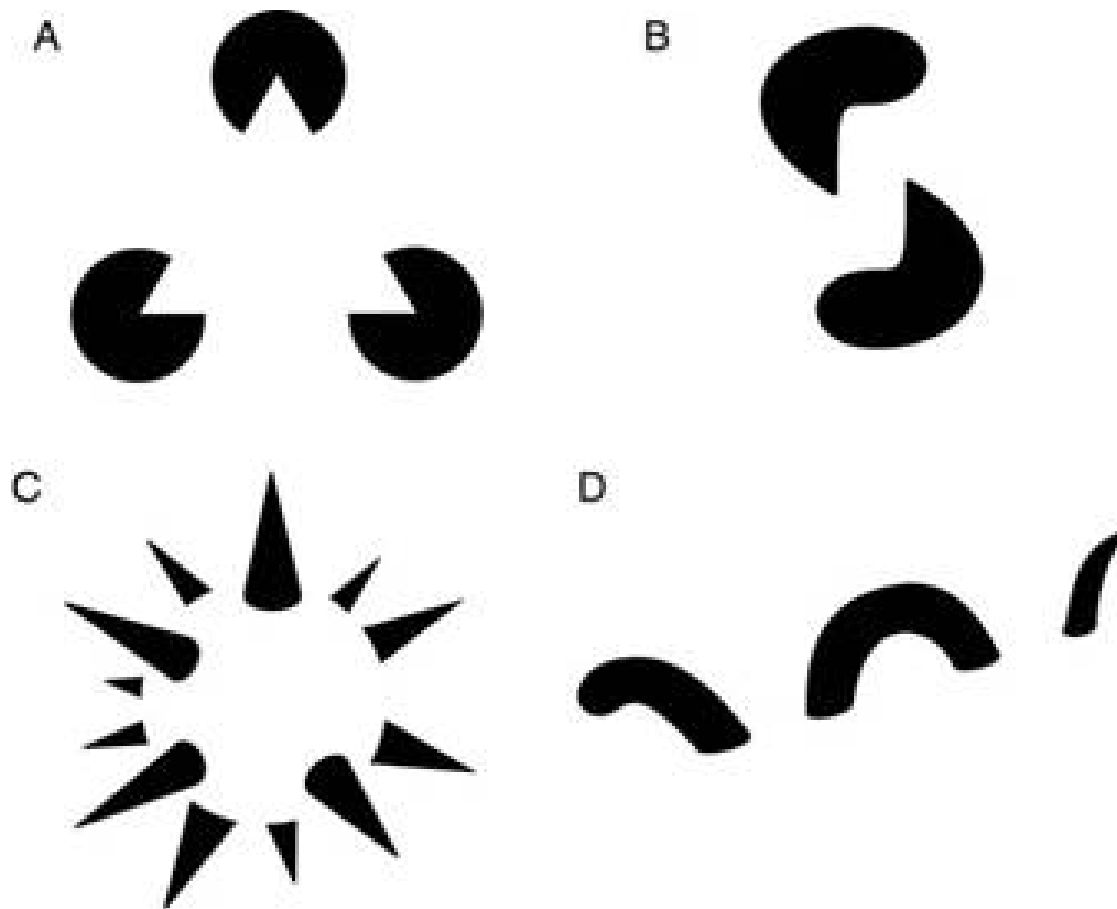


Symmetry, convexity, smallness, bottom-up polarity,  
lower region, protrusion



"Figure-ground segregation can be computed without relying on image contours. Figural status estimates result from a multidirectional linear voting process."

Dimiccoli, M. (2016). Figure-ground segregation: A fully nonlocal approach. *Vision Research*, 126, 308–317. Retrieved from <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.visres.2015.03.007>

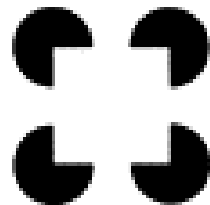
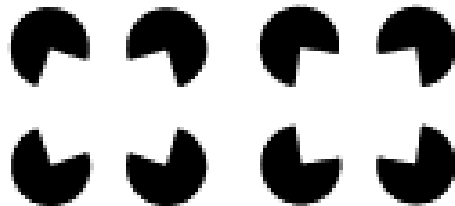


**Amodal** completion (perception of occluded whole) vs. **modal** completion (perception of unoccluded whole)

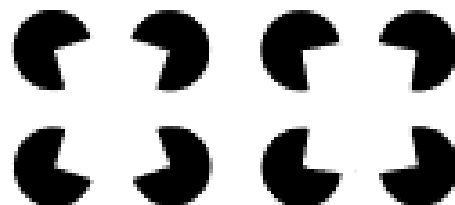


(A)

"Fat" Shapes ( $\alpha < 0$ )



Square  
( $\alpha = 0$ )

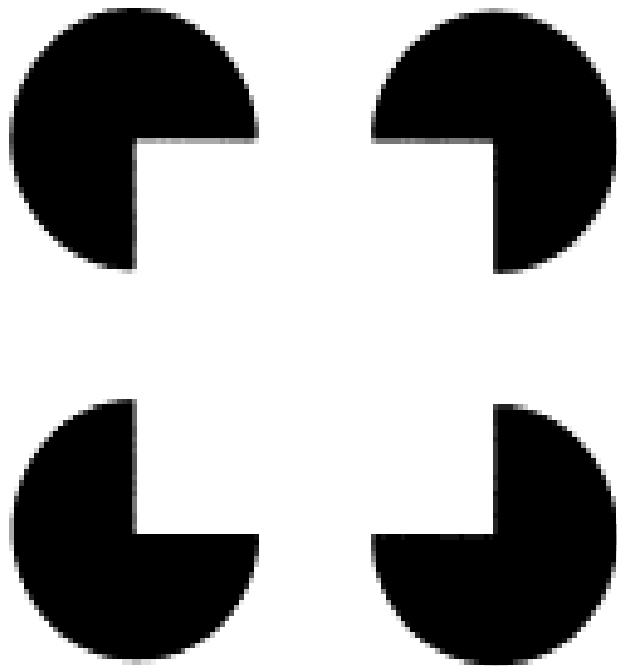


"Thin" Shapes ( $\alpha > 0$ )

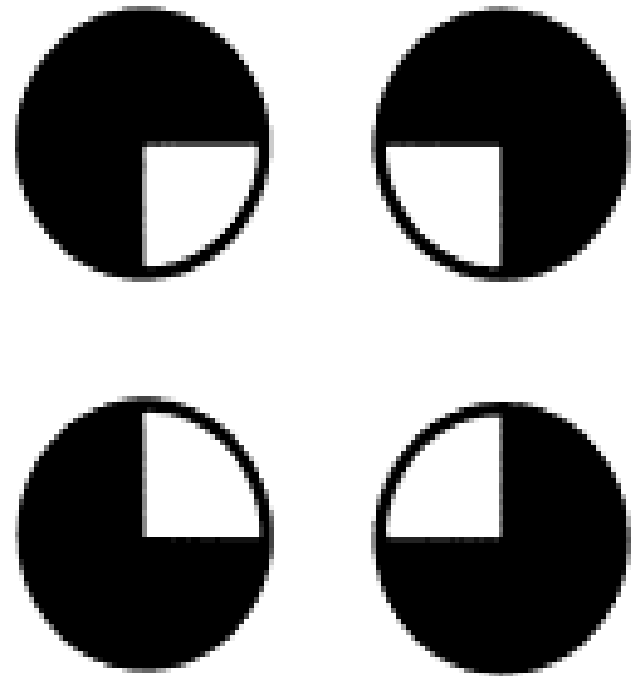
(B)

Top-Left Inducer  
Rotated by  $\alpha$  deg





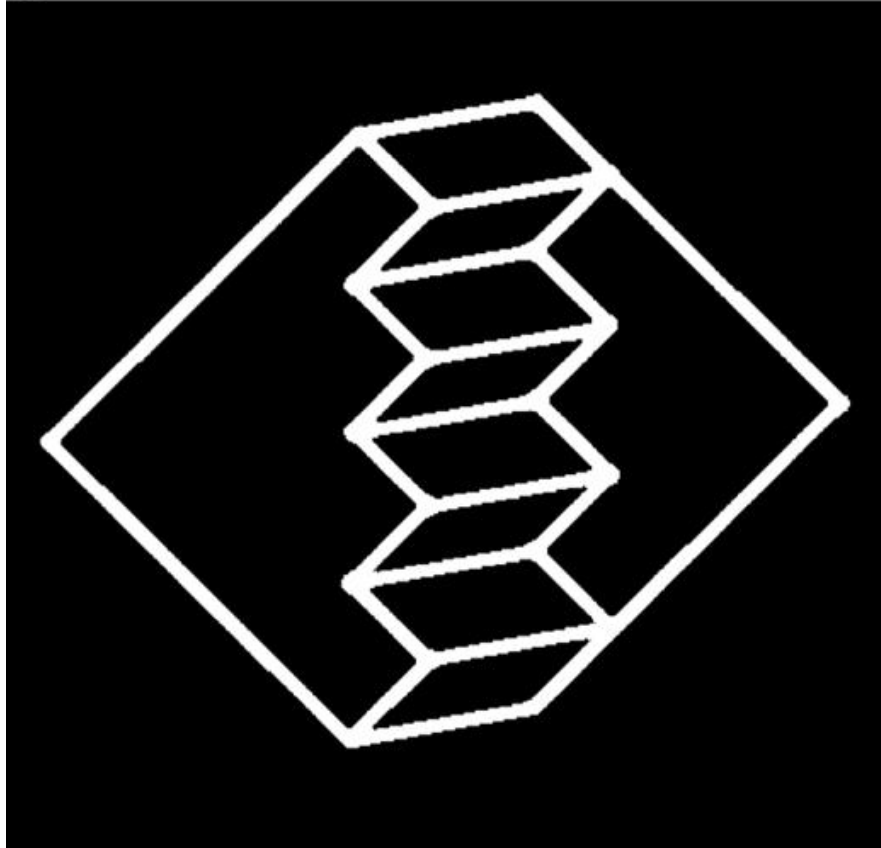
(A) Modal



(B) Amodal

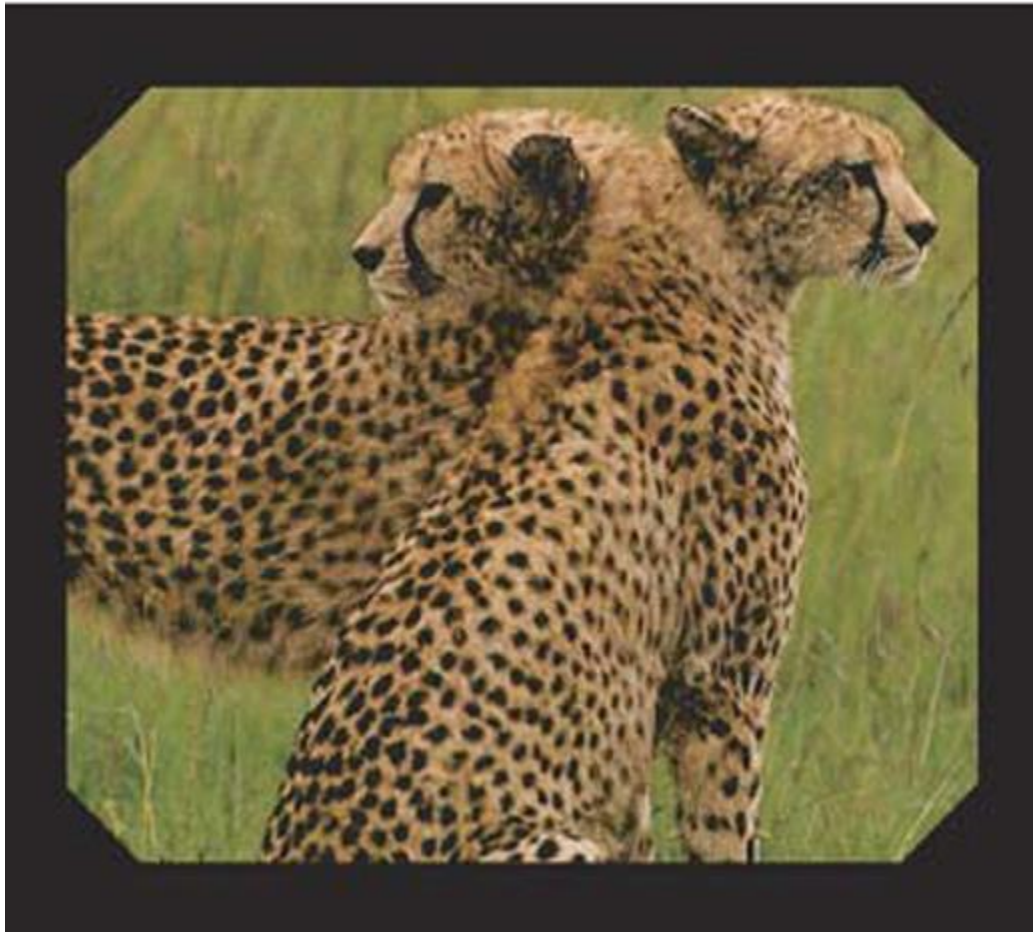
Ringach, D. L., & Shapley, R. (1996). Spatial and temporal properties of illusory contours and amodal boundary completion. *Vision Research*, 36(19), 3037–3050. Retrieved from <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/8917767>

B

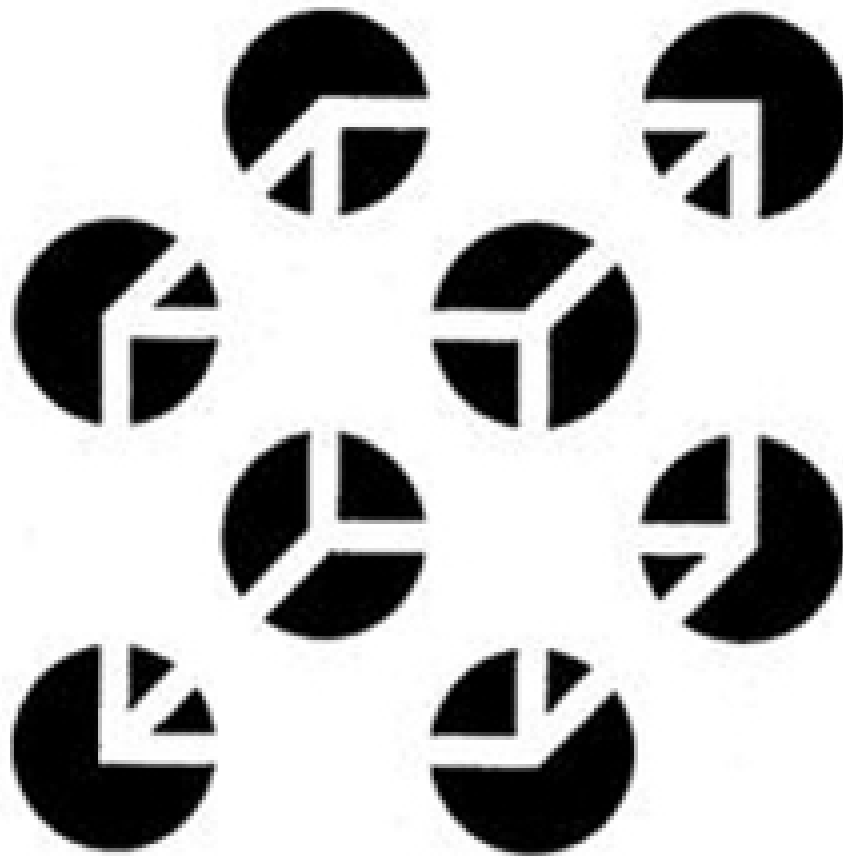


Multi-stable images

**C**



Pitts, M. A., Nerger, J. L., & Davis, T. J. R. (2007). Electrophysiological correlates of perceptual reversals for three different types of multistable images. *Journal of Vision*, 7(1), 6. Retrieved from <http://dx.doi.org/10.1167/7.1.6>



Necker cube with illusory contours

ambiguous and unambiguous plaid motion stimuli - Psychophysi...



Ambiguous/multi-stable vs. unambiguous plaids

Break time

# Discussion of Biederman (1987)



# Principles of "non-accidentalness"

1. Collinearity
2. Curvilinearity
3. Symmetry
4. Parallel curves
5. Vertices

Brain Games Yellow Chair National Geographic Channel Watch o...

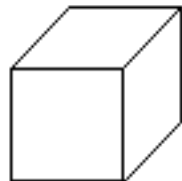


Ames chair illusion illustrates implicit "principle" of  
co-termination



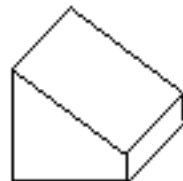


Cube



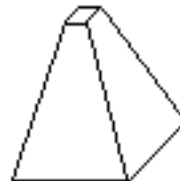
Straight Edge  
Straight Axis  
Constant

Wedge



Straight Edge  
Straight Axis  
Expanded

Pyramid



Straight Edge  
Straight Axis  
Expanded

Cylinder



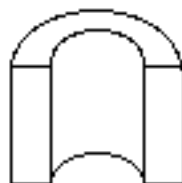
Curved Edge  
Straight Axis  
Constant

Barrel



Curved Edge  
Straight Axis  
Exp & Cont

Arch



Straight Edge  
Curved Axis  
Constant

Cone



Curved Edge  
Straight Axis  
Expanded

Expanded  
Cylinder



Curved Edge  
Straight Axis  
Expanded

Handle



Curved Edge  
Curved Axis  
Constant

Expanded  
Handle



Curved Edge  
Curved Axis  
Expanded

Edge	Symmetry	Size	Axis
Straight or Curved	Rot + Ref; Ref; Asymm	Constant; Expanded; Expand & Contract	Straight or Curved

# Next time...

## Size, shape, orientation, & position

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