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Computational Photography

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Study the basics of computation and its impact on the entire workflow of photography, from capturing, manipulating and collaborating on, and sharing photographs.

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Video Textures:
(Part 1 of 2)
How to Make a Video Texture?

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How can we find similar frames in a Video Volume to generate longer Videos?

Lesson Objectives

- ★ Explain in your own words the concept of a Video Texture.
- ★ Describe in your own words the two (2) methods used to compute similarity between frames.
- ★ Describe in your own words how similar frames are used to find transitions to generate Video Textures.

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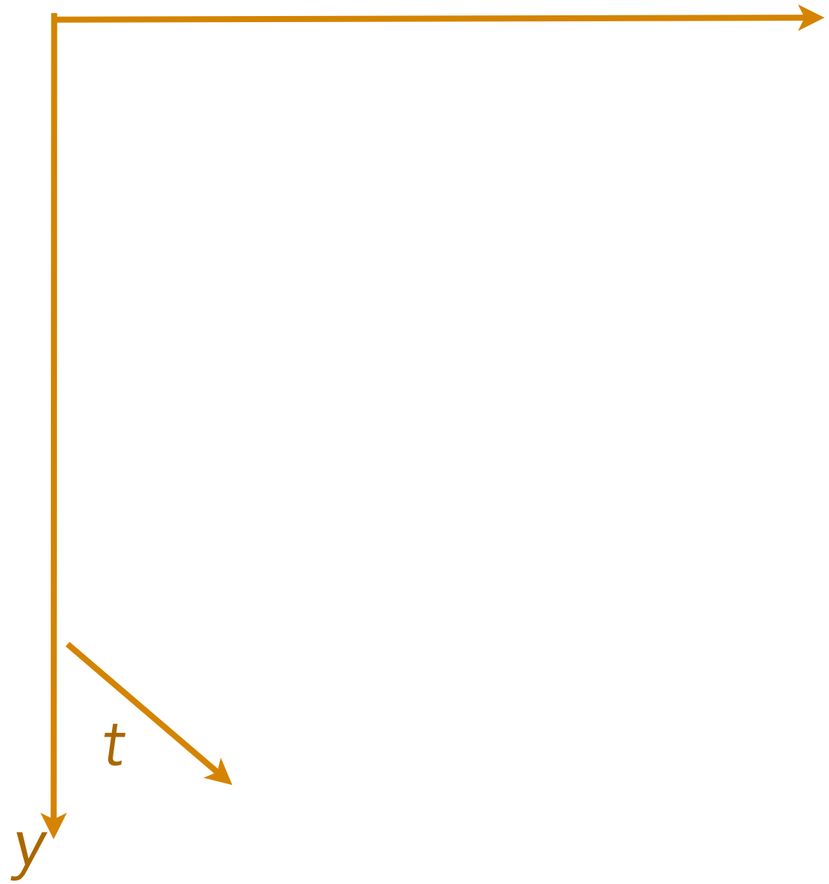

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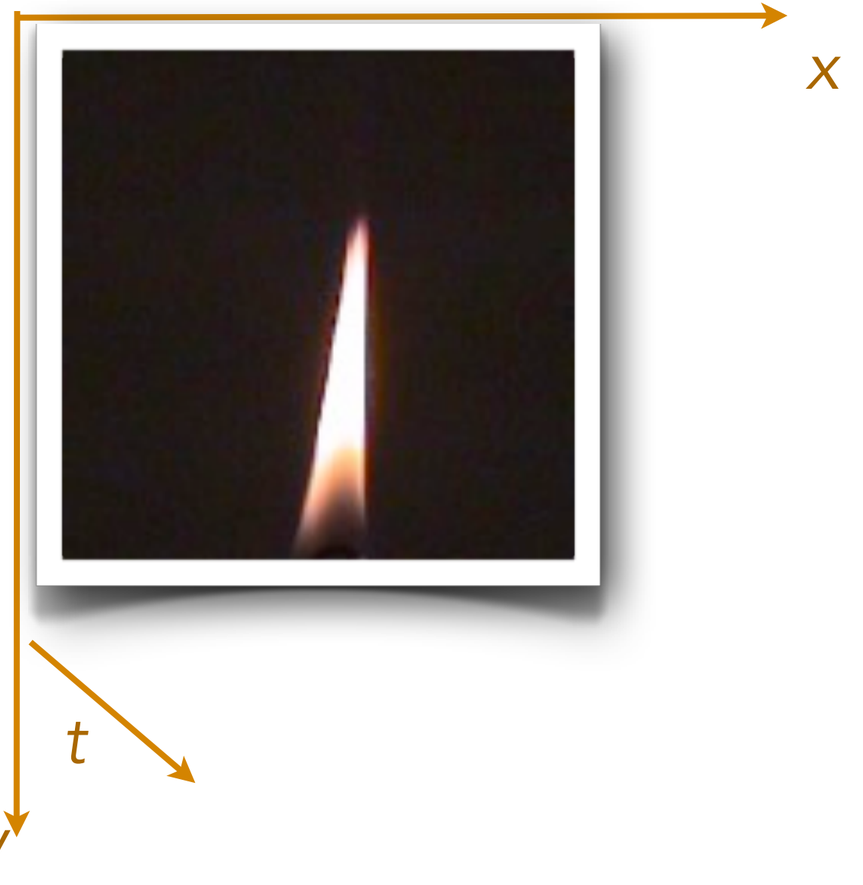

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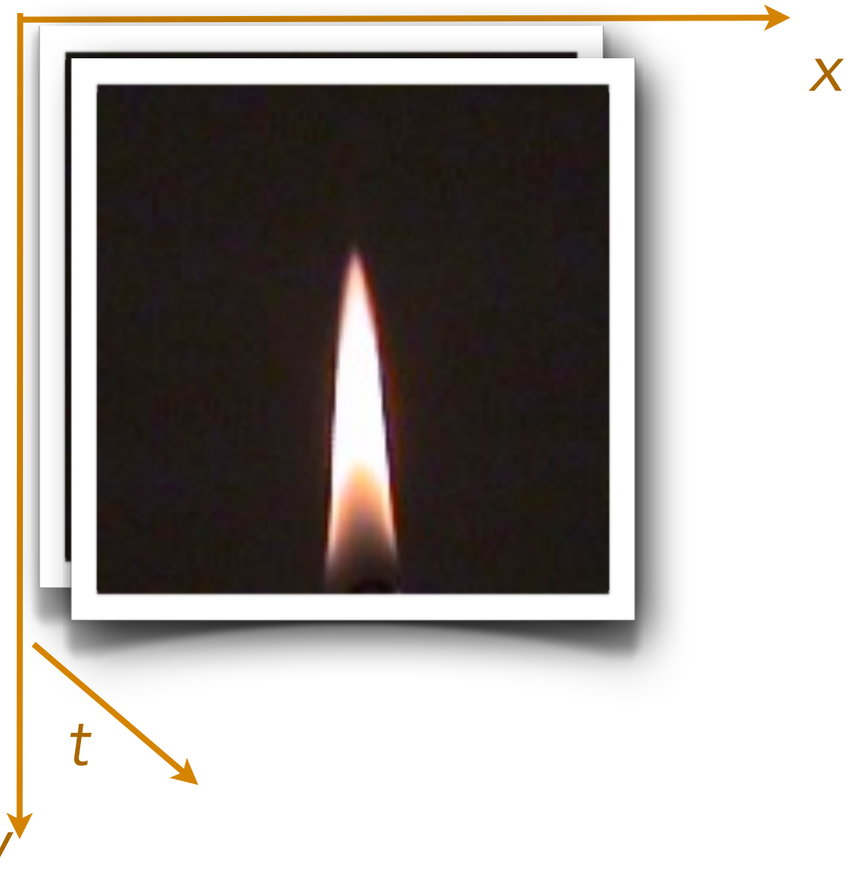

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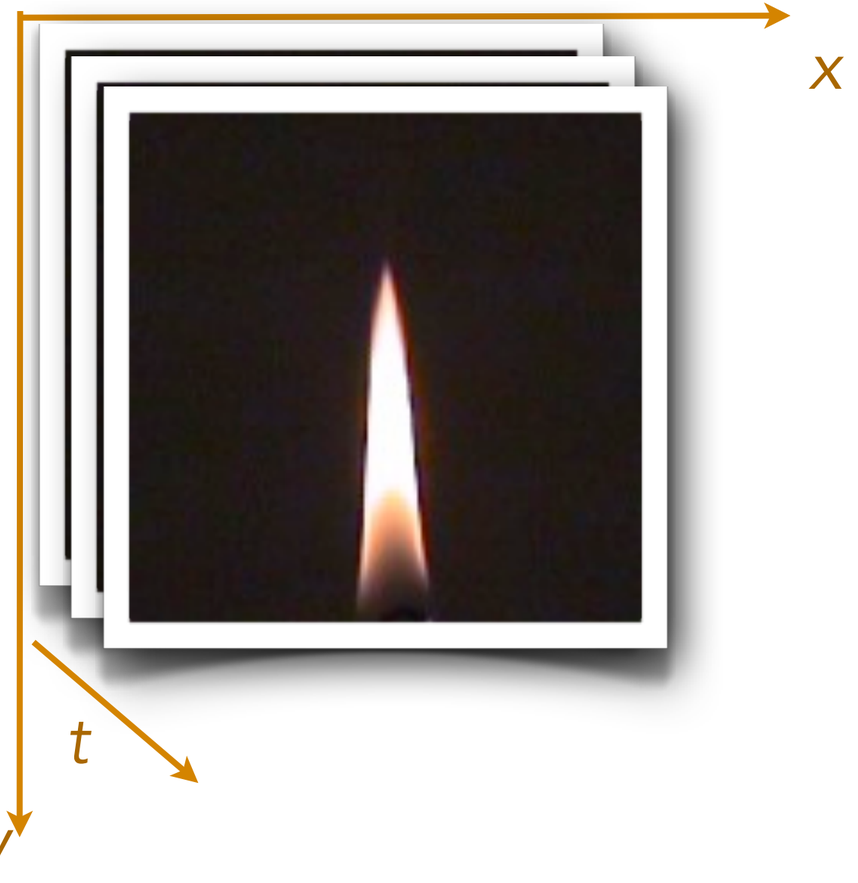

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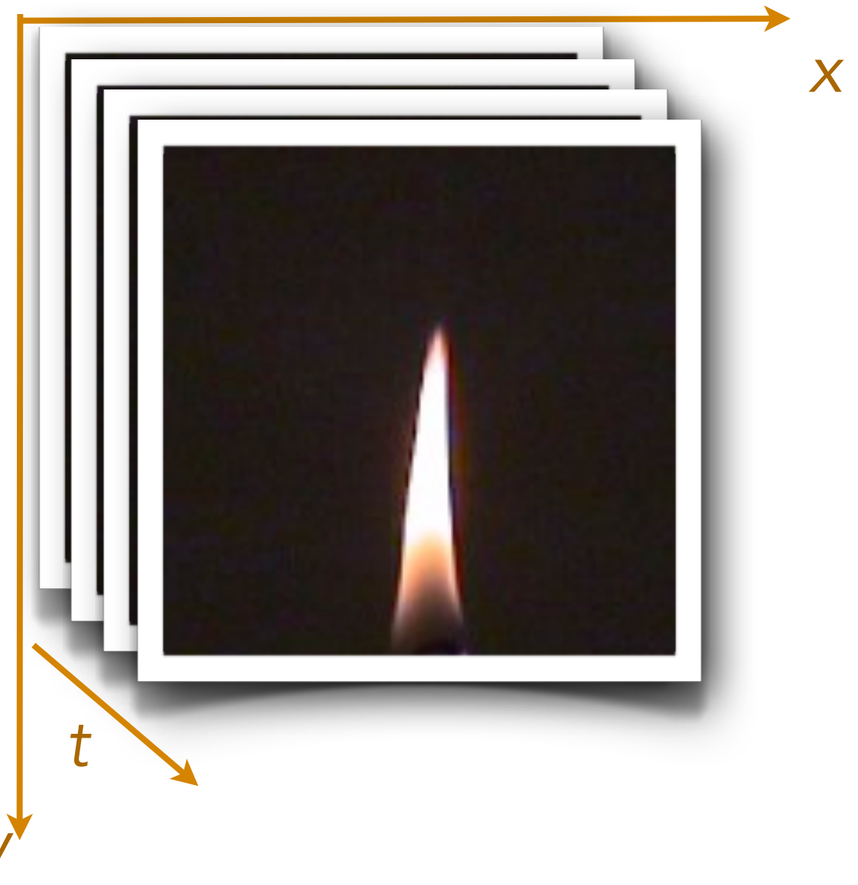

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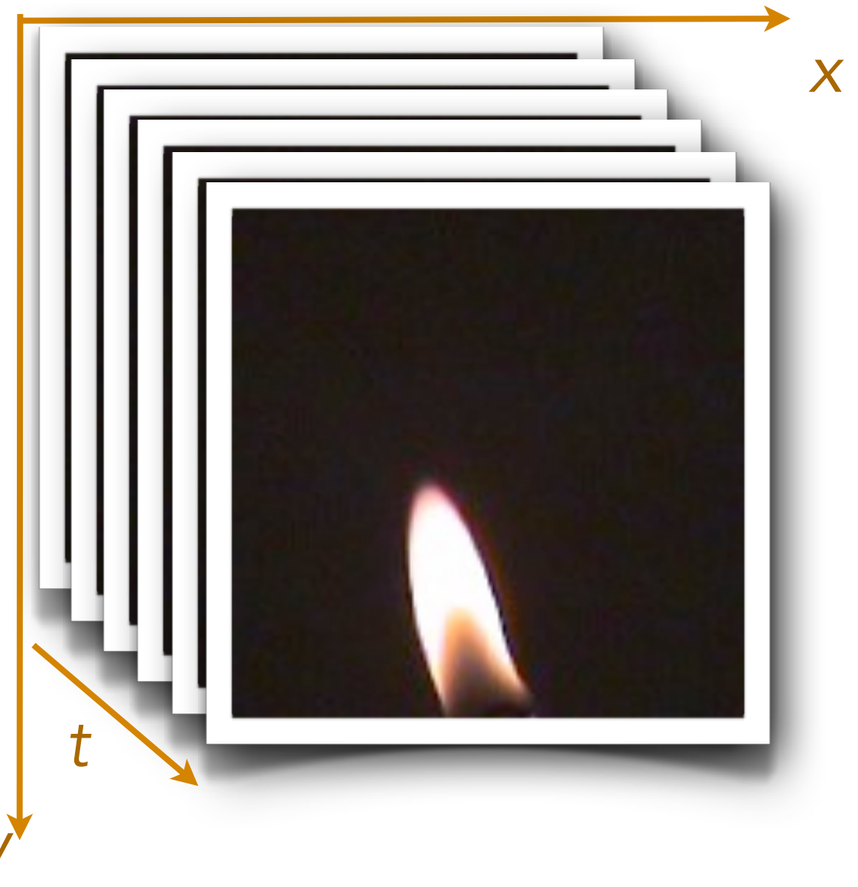

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Still Pictures

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Looping Video

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Schödl, Szeliski, Salesin, and Essa (2000)

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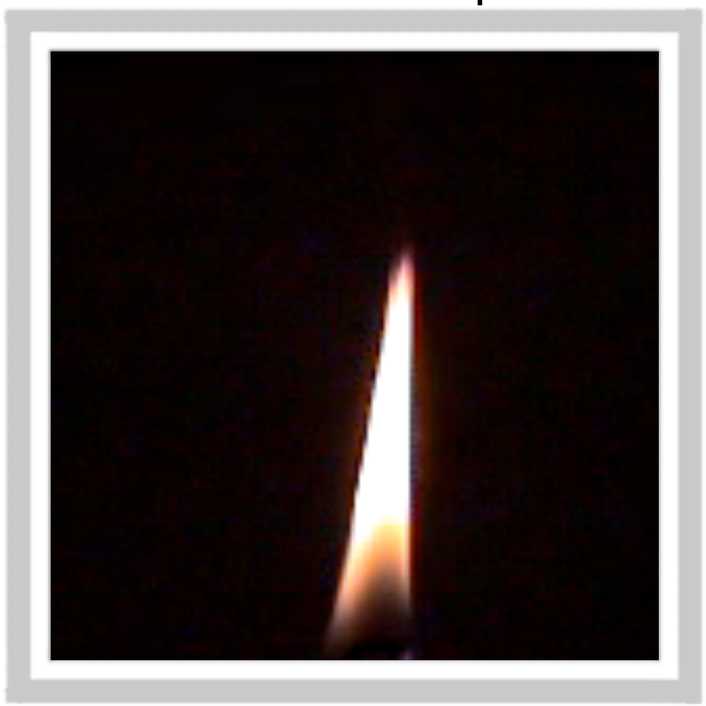
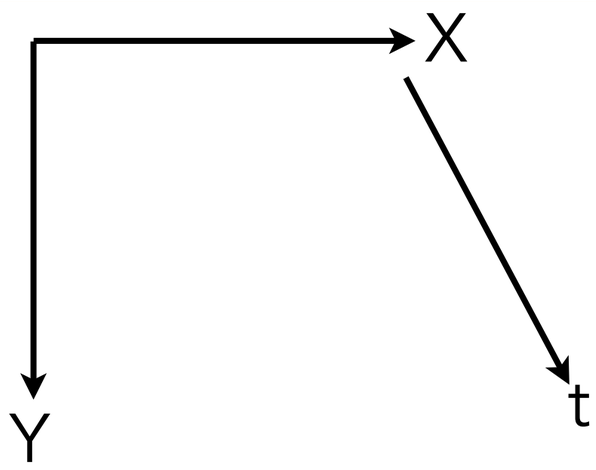
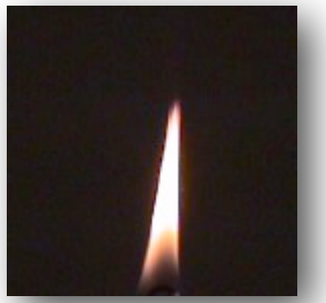


90 frames



90 frames: f_1, f_2, f_3, ..., f_{90}



f_1

Compute how similar f_1 is to all frames: f_1, f_2, f_3, ..., f_{90}

Do this for all f_1, f_2, f_3, ..., f_{90}

Video Clip to Video Textures

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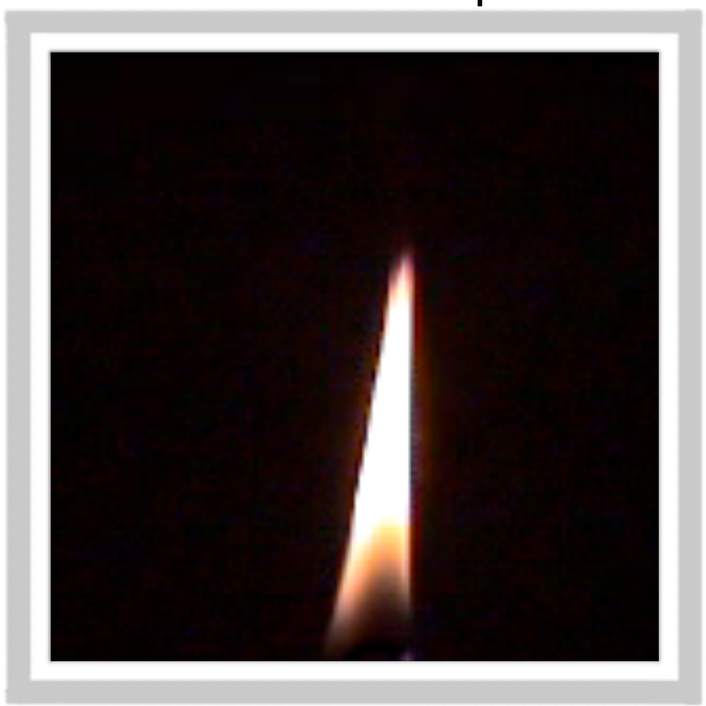

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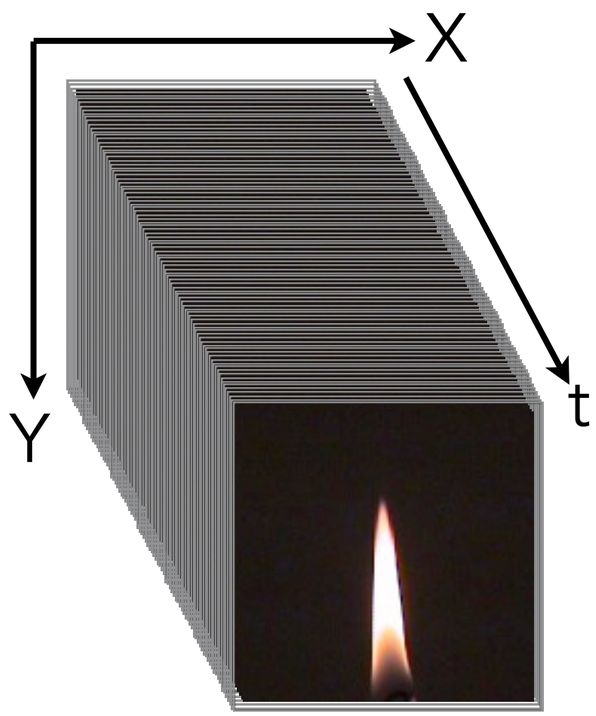

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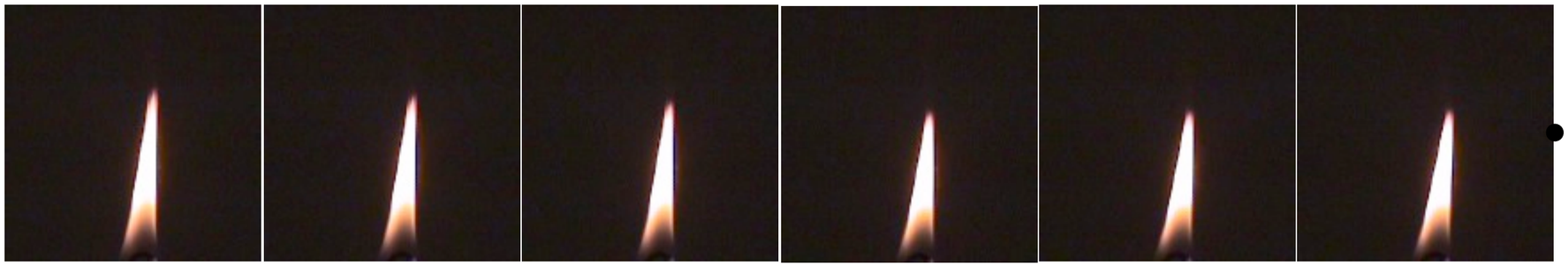

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Similarity Metric (1)

- One method to compute similarity is to compute the Euclidean Distance between two Frames.
- Consider two frames, $p = \{p_1, p_2, \ldots p_N\}$ and $q = \{q_1, q_2, \ldots q_N\}$

$$d_2(p,q) = \sqrt{(p_1 - q_1)^2 + (p_2 - q_2)^2 + \cdots + (p_n - q_n)^2}$$

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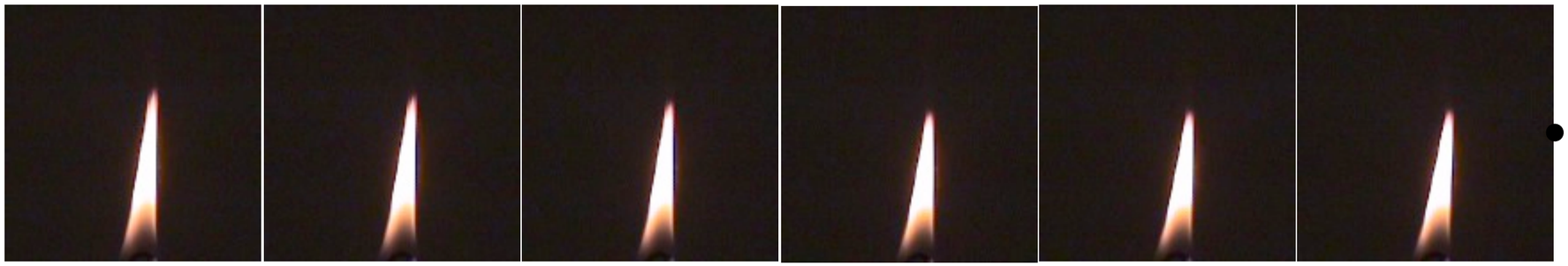
This distance metric is referred to as L^2 norm



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Similarity Metric (2)

★ Another method to compute similarity is to compute the Manhattan Distance between two Frames.

★ Consider two frames, $p = \{p_1, p_2, \ldots p_N\}$ and $q = \{q_1, q_2, \ldots q_N\}$

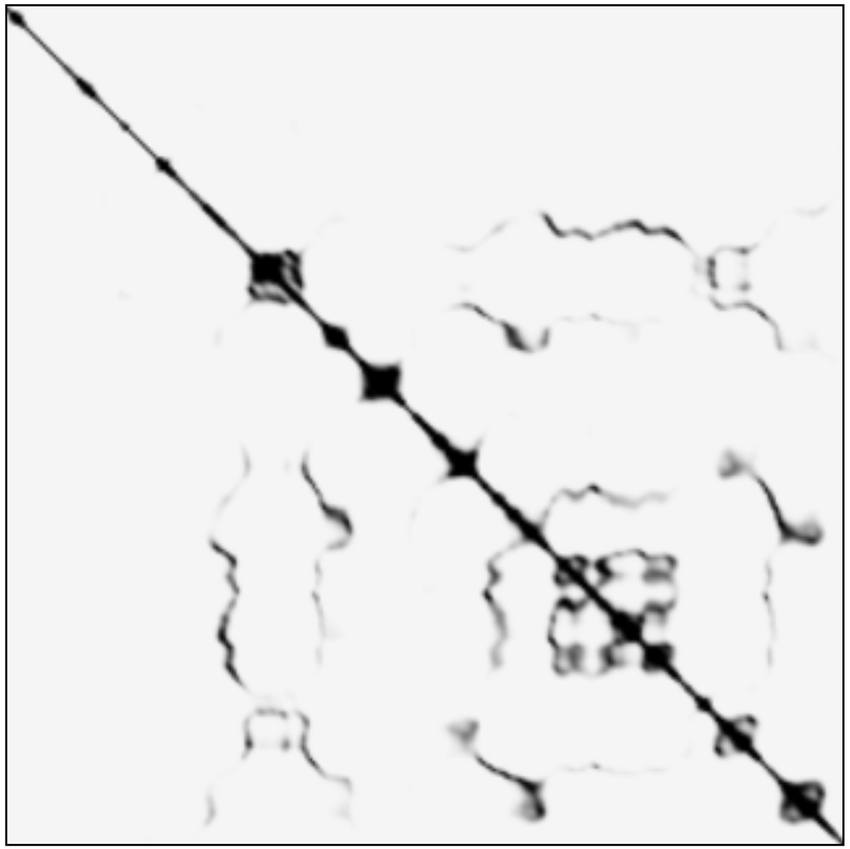
$$d_1(p,q) = (p_1 - q_1) + (p_2 - q_2) + \cdots + (p_n - q_n)$$

$$d_1(p,q) = \sum_{i=1}^{N} |p_i - q_i|$$

This distance metric is referred to as L^1 norm. (| .. | implies Absolute)

Finding Similar Frames

vs. → Frame *i*



Frame *j*

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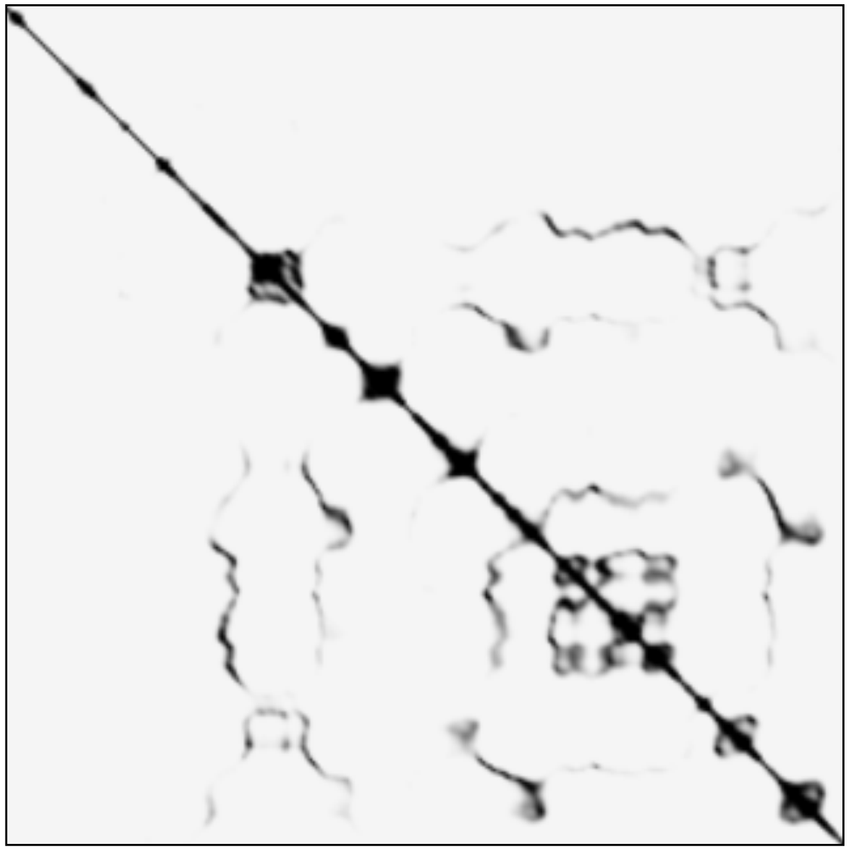

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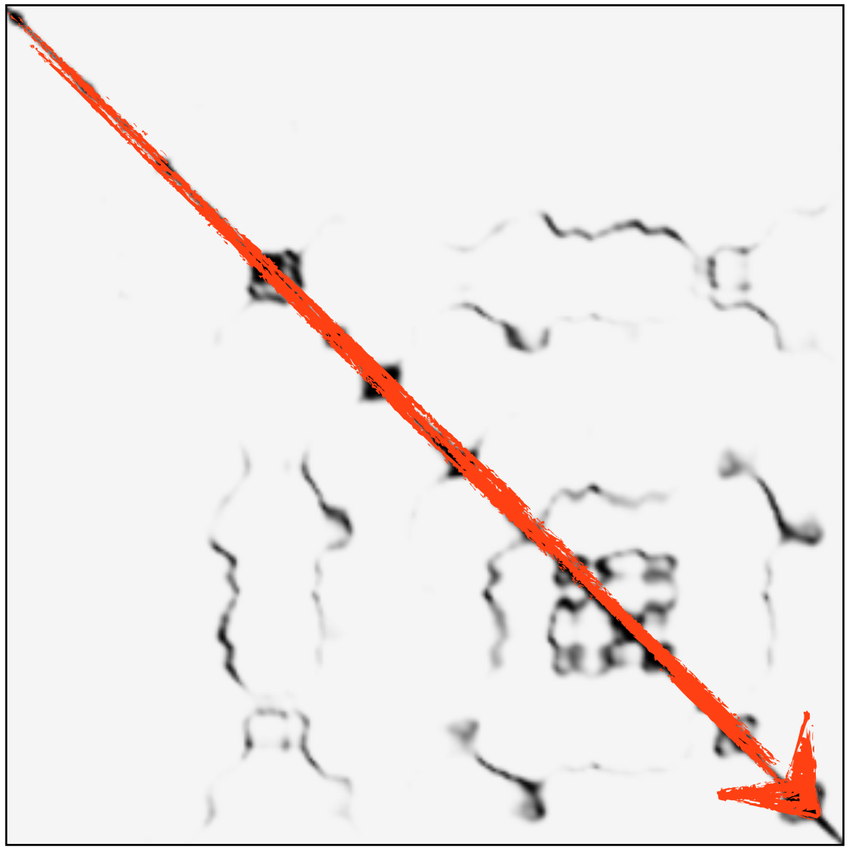

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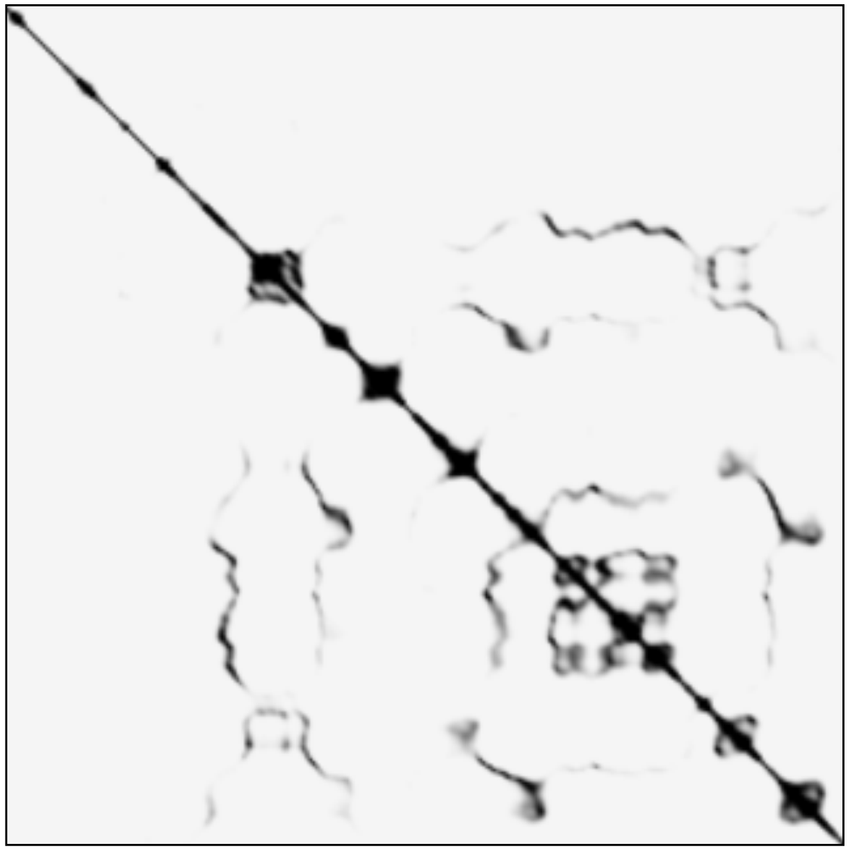

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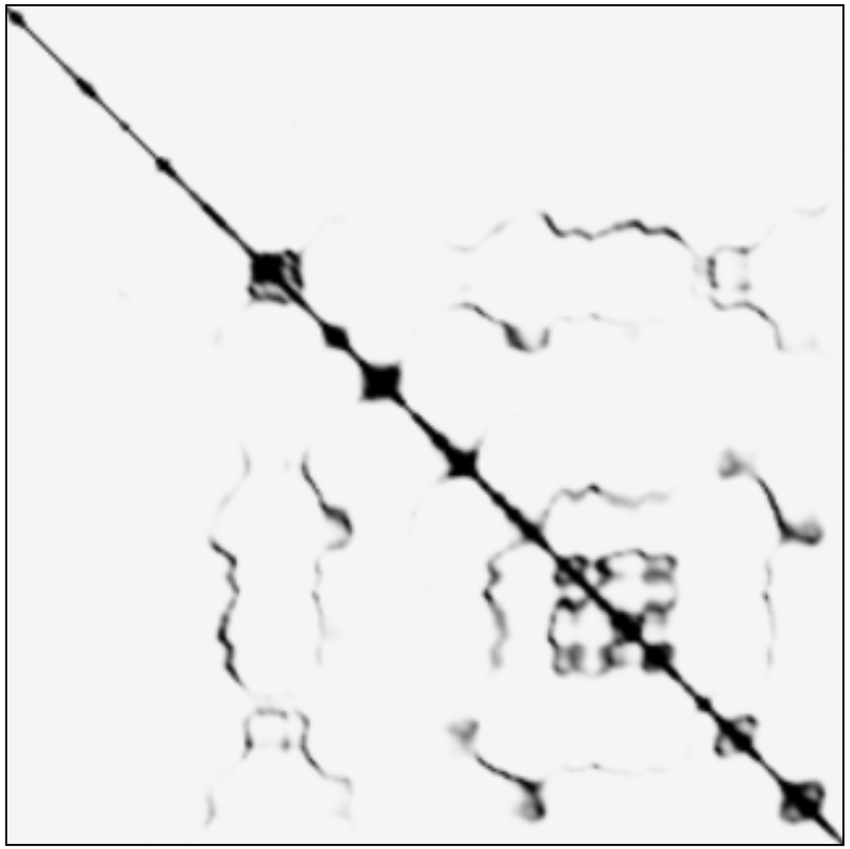

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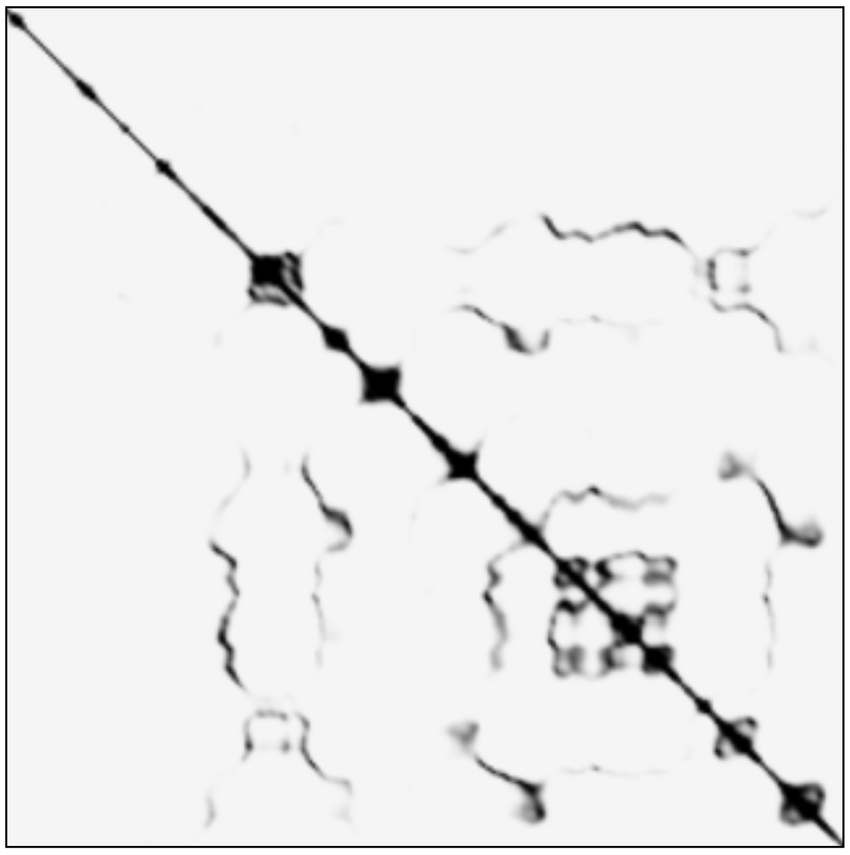

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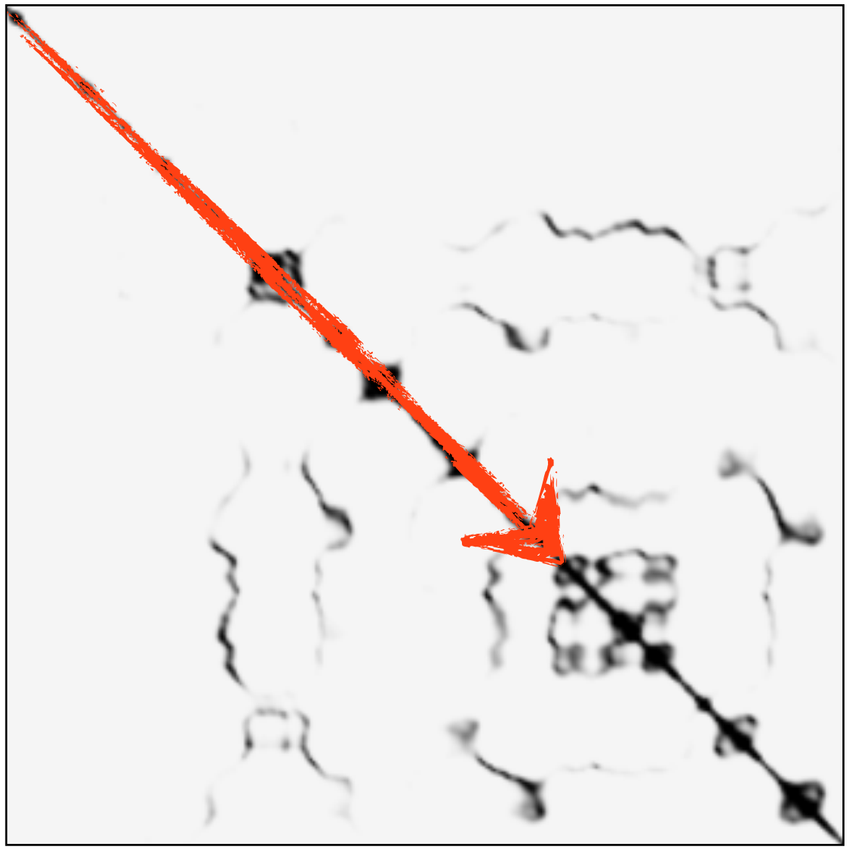

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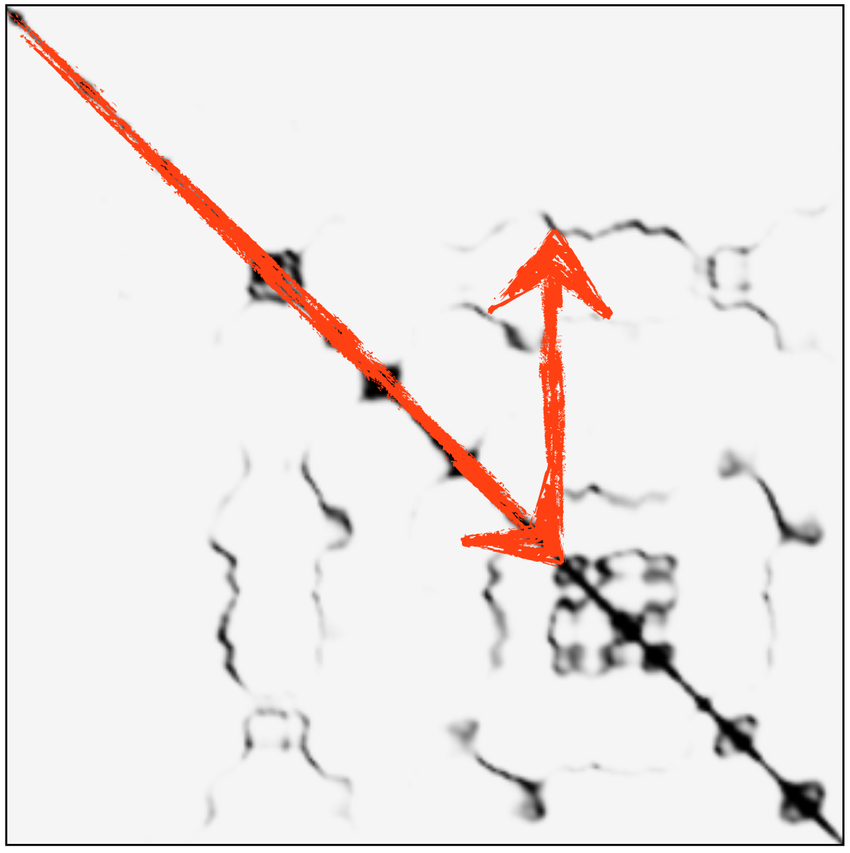

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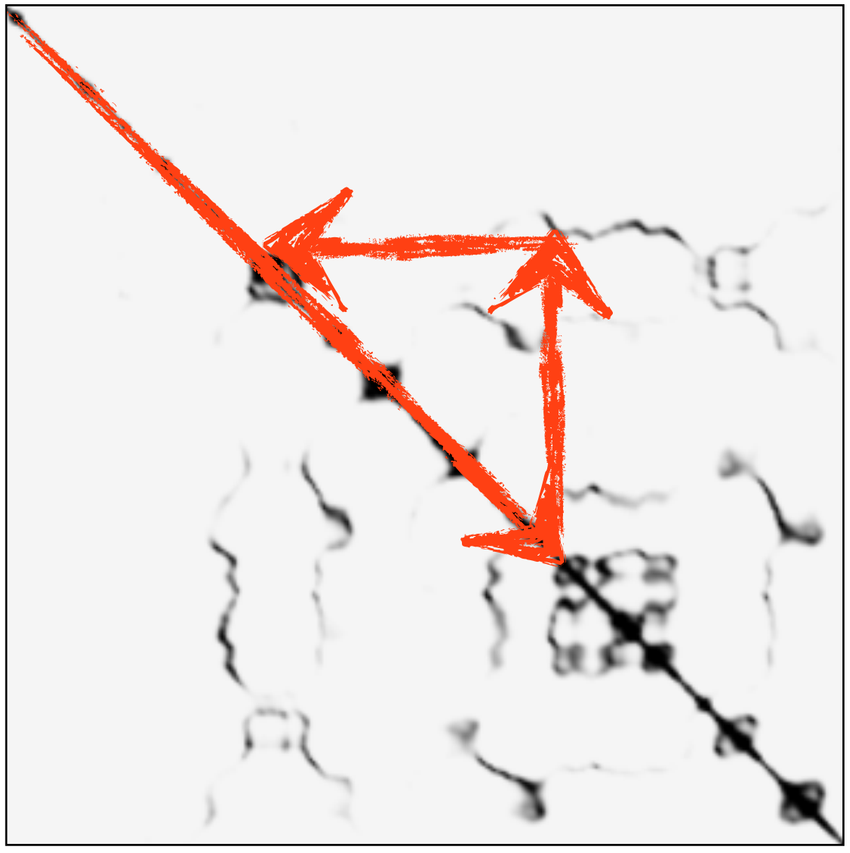

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Summary

- ★ Introduced the concept of a Video Texture.
- ★ Discussed the two (2) methods used to compute similarity between frames.
- ★ Showcased the use of similar frames to generate Video Textures by finding similar points to transition to.

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Further Information

- Schödl, Szeliski, Salesin, and Essa (2000), “Video textures,” in SIGGRAPH 2000 [Website].
- Kwatra, Schödl, Essa, Turk, Bobick (2003), “Graphcut textures: image and video synthesis using graph cuts” in SIGGRAPH 2003, (DOI, PDF, Video, Website).

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Next Class

- ★ More on Video Textures: Types, Control, Blending, and Applications.

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Credits

- ★ For more information, see
  - Richard Szeliski (2010) Computer Vision: Algorithms and Applications, Springer.
- ★ Some videos retrieved from
  - YouTube Creative Commons.
  - From Professors Essa's Lab.
  - List will be available on website.

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