



Design *for* Developers

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Section 4: Inspiration

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On using sources...

STEALING YOUR WAY
TO ORIGINAL DESIGN

"I'm a firm believer in the idea that there's nothing new under the sun. Said differently, everything is a remix. Freed from the pressure that all things designers do need to be original works of art, I can instead focus my efforts on what sources to combine in a unique way that my audience is less accustomed to."



Inspiration

Multiple Sources

**Look
around,
find your
heroes**



- Dribbble
- Behance
- CodePen
- Glitch
- CodeSandbox

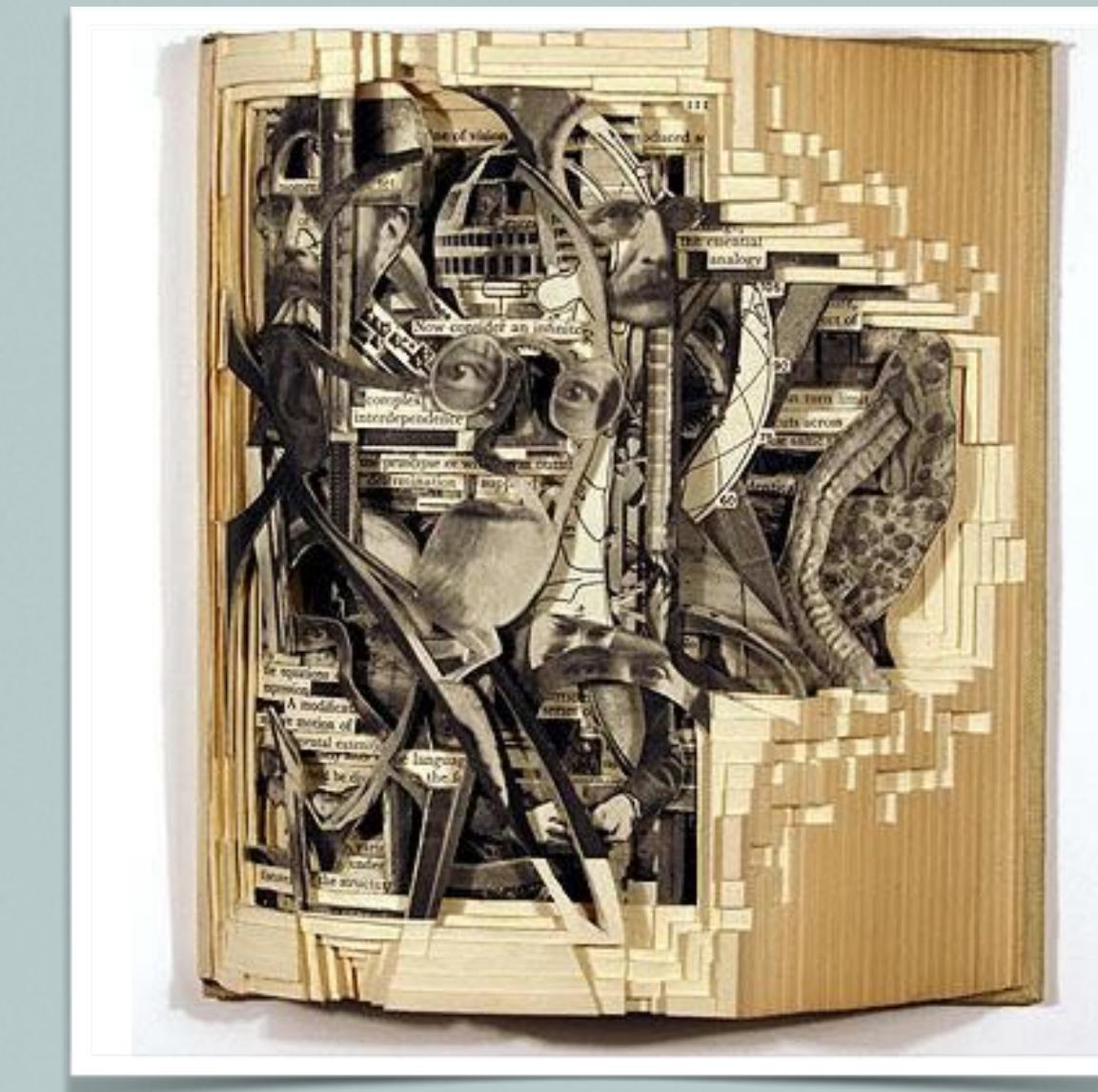
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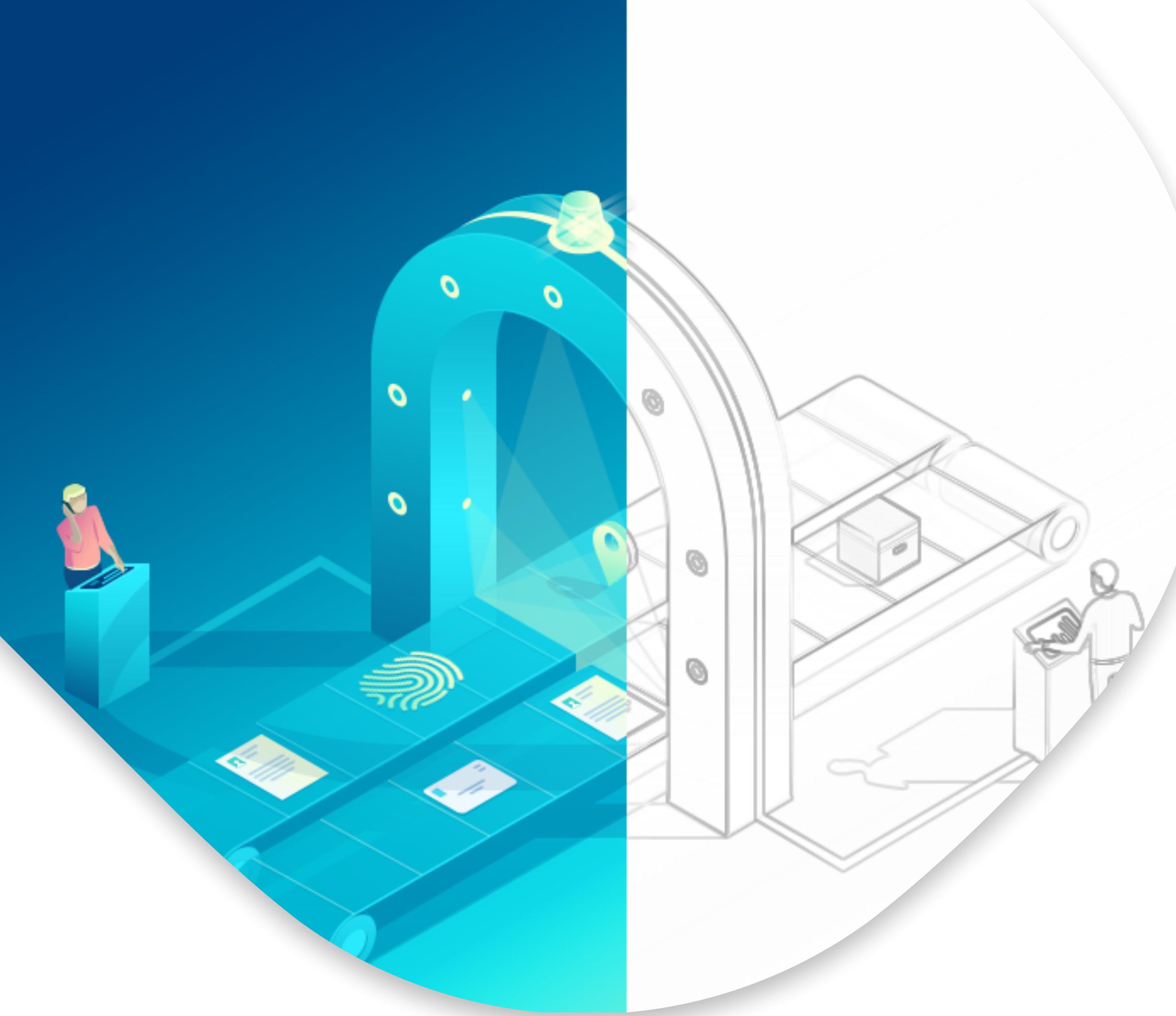
Multiple Sources

**Look
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- Get Inspired by multiple sources
- Wait...
- Work from memory, not directly
- Revisit: if it's too close, change it or toss it

Look at other disciplines
for inspiration





WALID BENO

Inspiration
Master Copies

**Just like reverse
engineering,
copying existing
work can help
you learn**

But you can't claim it as your own.

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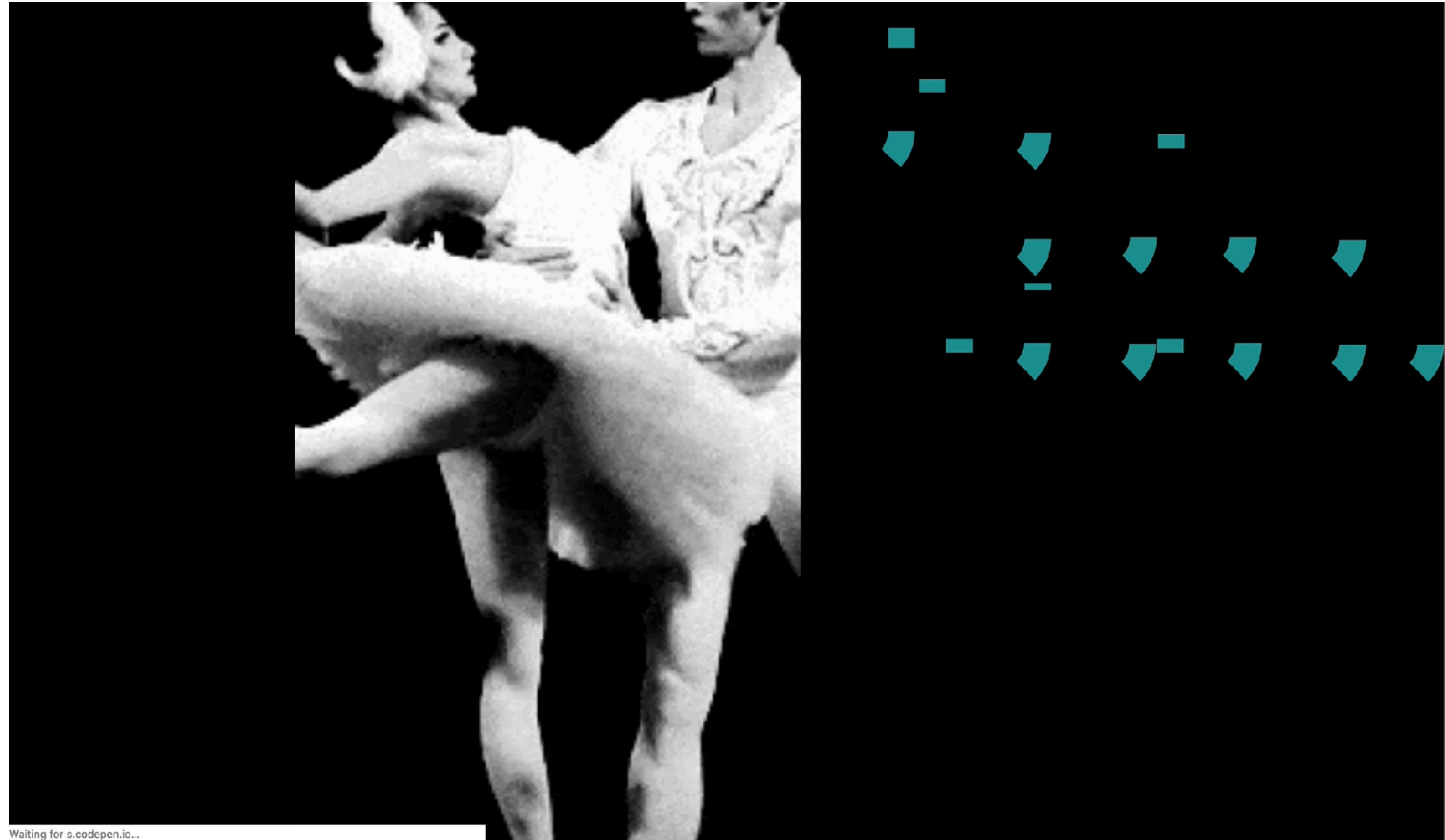
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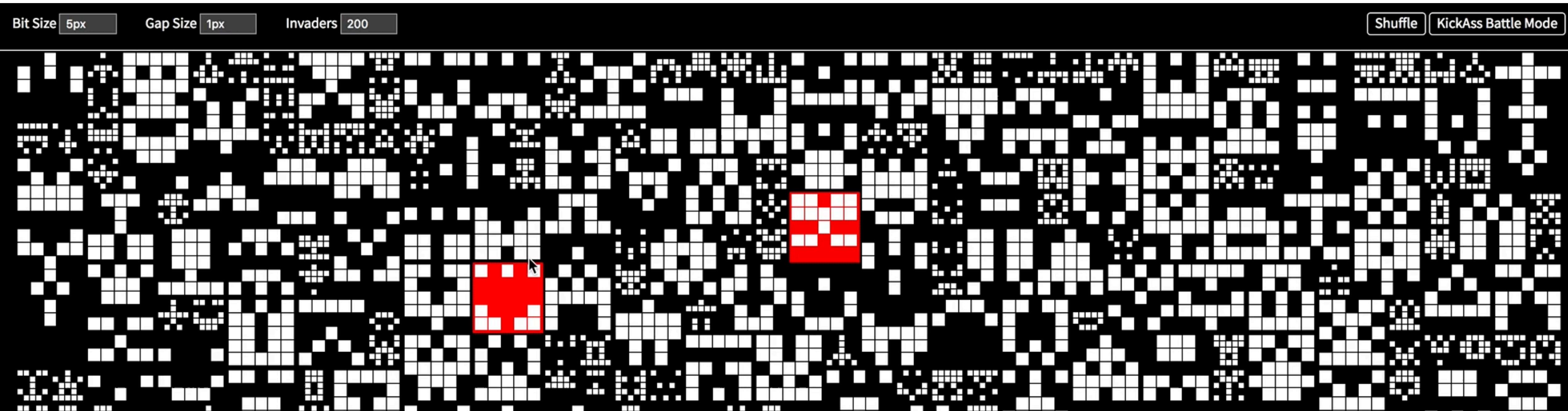


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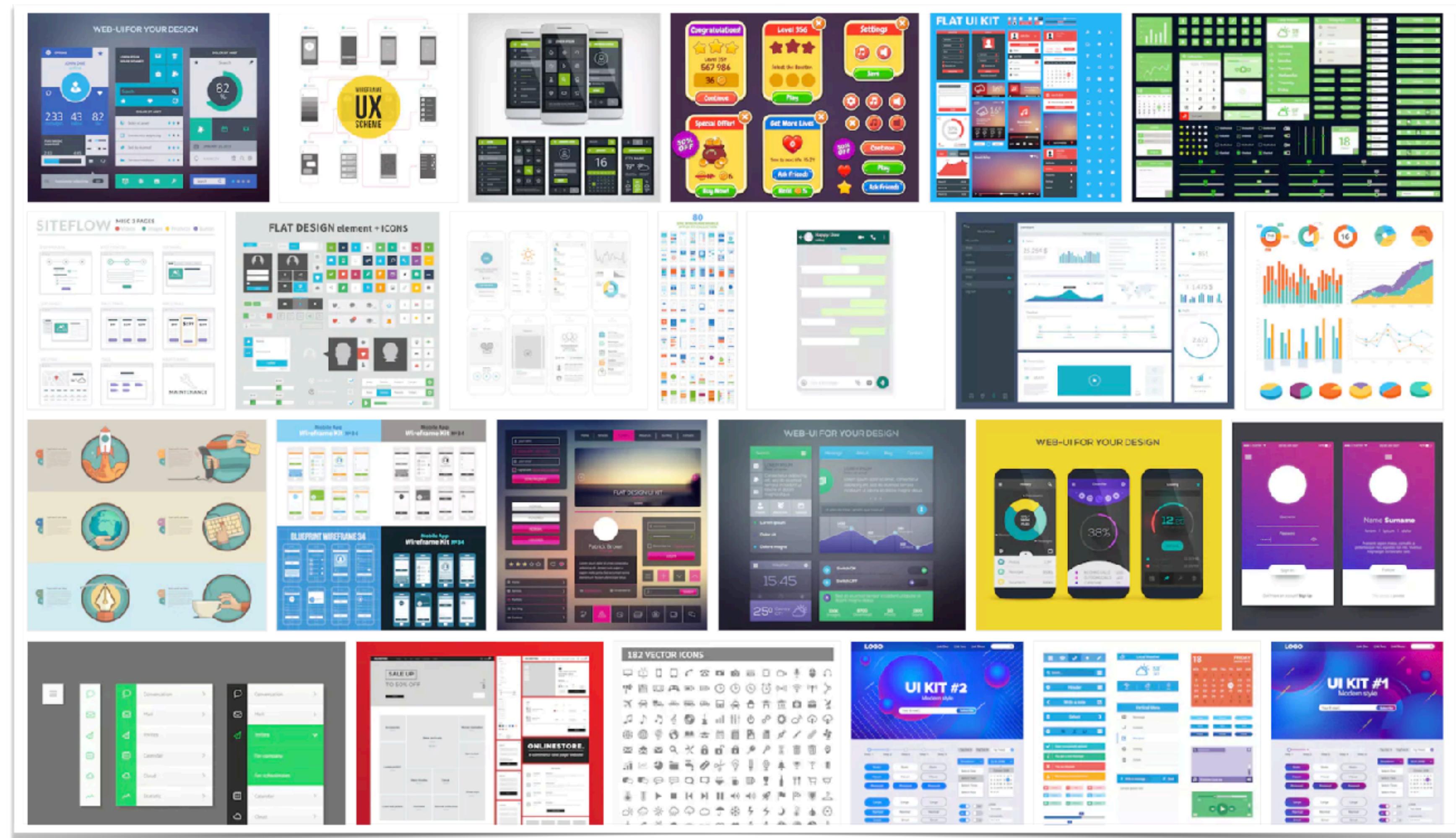
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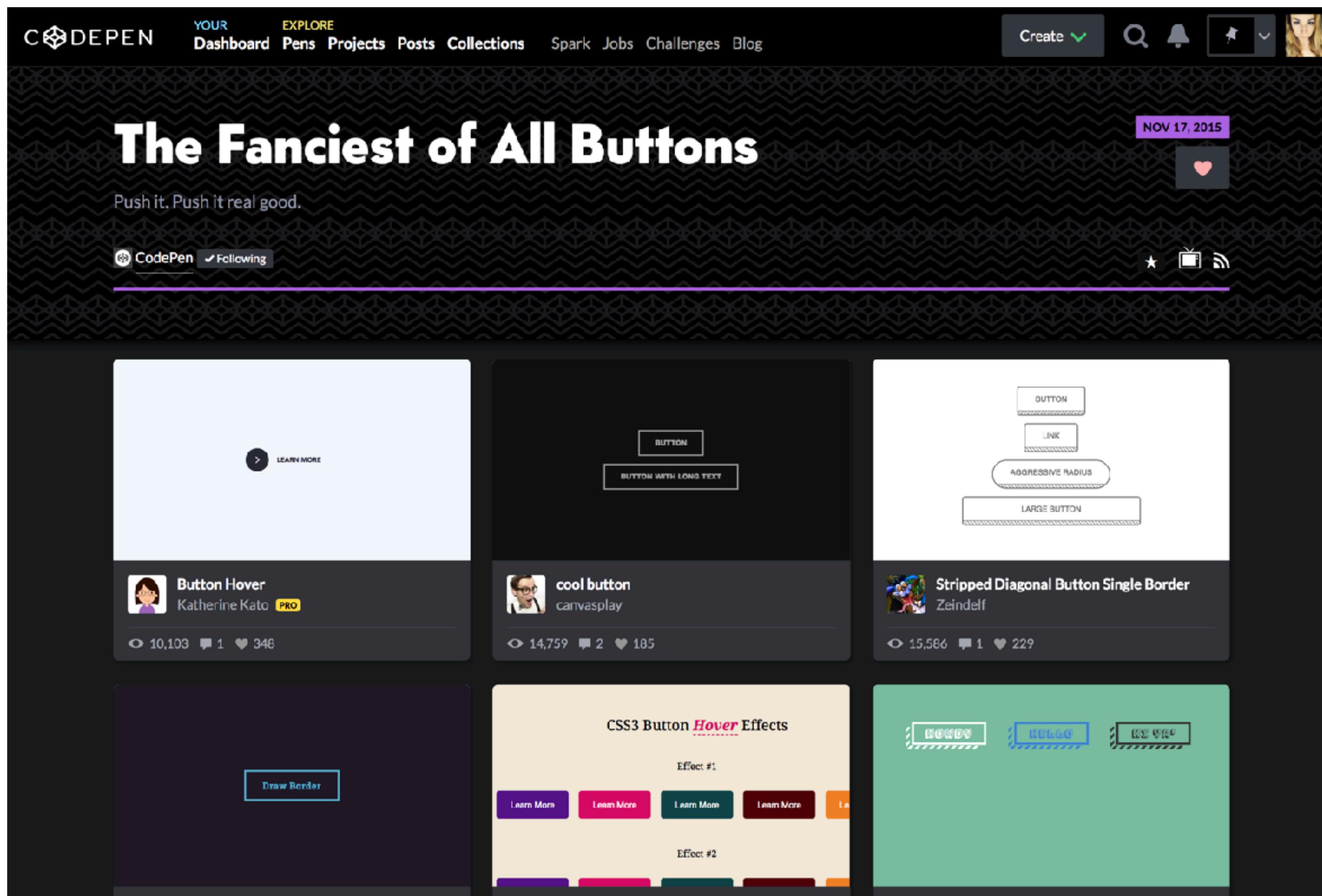
Patterns

The screenshot shows the 'Design Patterns' section of the CodePen website. The top navigation bar includes 'YOUR Dashboard', 'EXPLORE Pens Projects Posts Collections', 'Spark Jobs Challenges Blog', 'Create', a search icon, a notification bell, a star icon, and a user profile picture. The main title 'Design Patterns' is displayed in large white font, with the subtitle 'Ideas, inspiration and examples for your own projects.' below it. The page features a grid of nine cards, each representing a different design pattern:

- Accordions**: Closed. Closed. Open. Closed. (Accordions)
- Menu Icons**: The ubiquitous hamburger. (Hamburger menu icon)
- Grids**: The layout helper of choice. (Grid layout example)
- Charts & Graphs**: Destiny awaits. (Bar chart example)
- Tabs**: Peek-a-boo! (Tab interface example)
- Star Ratings**: From one to five. (Five-star rating example)
- Buttons**: Push it. Push it real good. (Large button with arrow icon)
- Breadcrumbs**: Experientially delicious. (Breadcrumbs navigation example)
- Dialogs**: Answer the question, Claire. (Modal dialog box example)

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Patterns





Demo: Remixing

Exercise

Start your engines!

Take the flattened starter-remix.jpg in the repo

Recreate it (source materials are in the starter folder)

Then change the fonts, the palette, the image, and some pieces of the composition.