



Detecting Art Forgeries Using Machine Learning

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Art Forgery Detection



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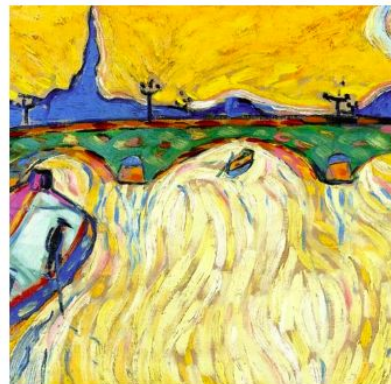
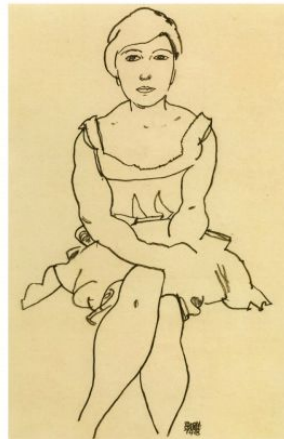
Past:

- ▣ Relied on human expertise & expensive technology
- ▣ Time consuming & unreliable

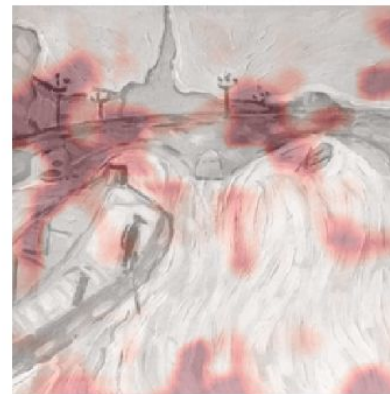
Machine Learning & Art Forgery

Present & Future:

- ▣ Machine learning analyzing artists' line/brush strokes
- ▣ More exact & efficient



Beltracchi fake in the style of Max Pechstein

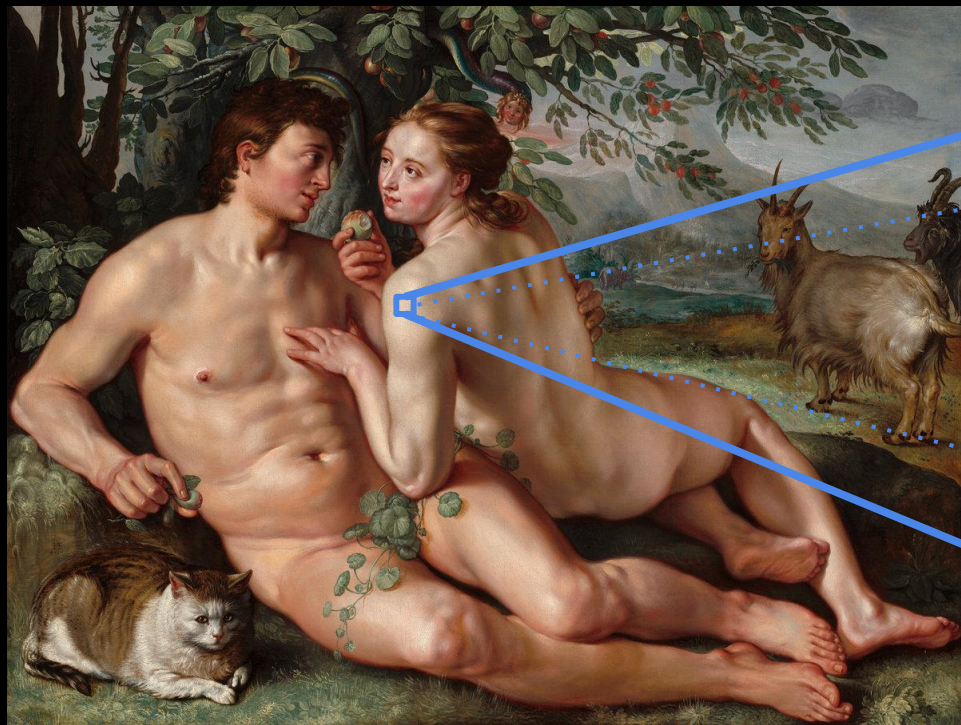


Art Recognition heat map highlighting areas of concern

This Project: Classifying Craquelure Patterns by Region

What is craquelure?

- ▣ Cracks due to old age
- ▣ Different regions (The Netherlands, Italy, France, Belgium, etc.) have different craquelure patterns due to different mediums and materials used



Hendrick Goltzius - The Fall of Man (1616)
(Dutch)



Flemish



Dutch



The Data

- ▣ Given the time and resource constraints, this project looked specifically at:
 - 17th century
 - Oil paintings on canvas
 - Dutch vs Flemish (Belgian)

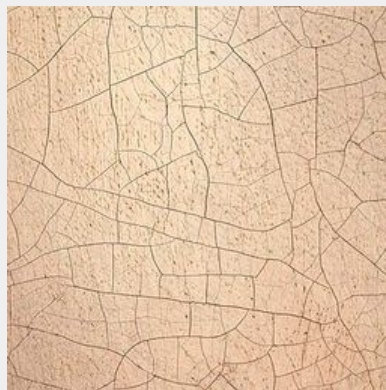
- ▣ Models based on this data could test whether a painting claiming to be a 17th c. Dutch/Flemish is indeed from then and there

Crop of craquelure (256 x 256 px)

grayscale

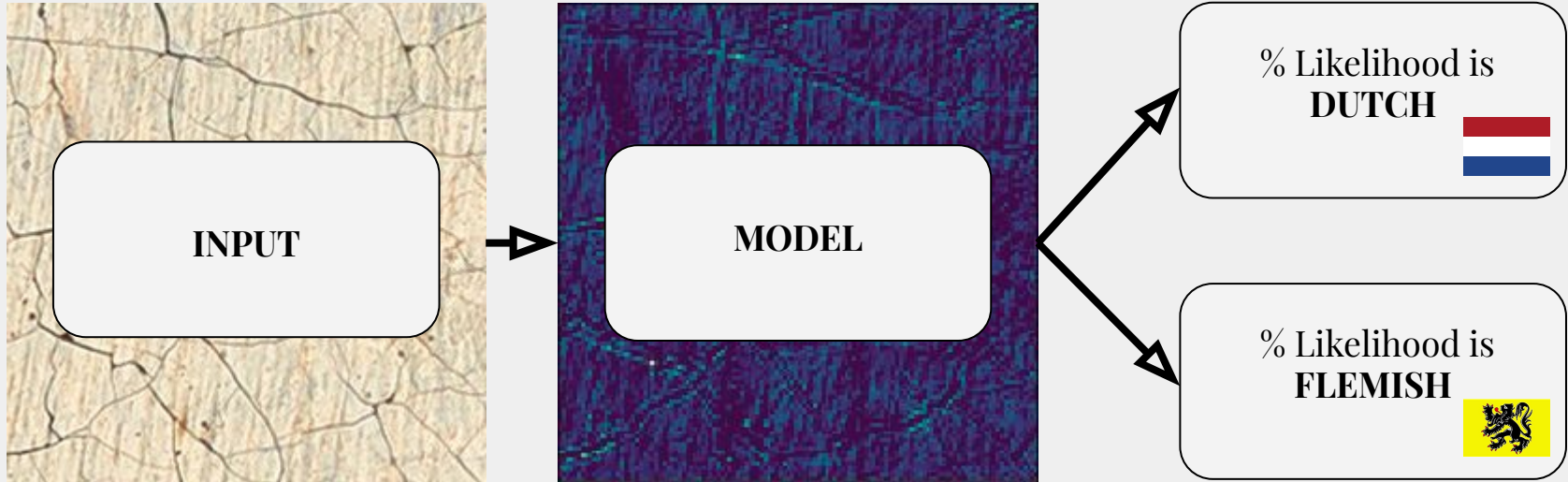
color

black & white



Source: National Gallery of Art

Process



Model Performance

	Grayscale	Color	B&W
Training Accuracy	~ 100%	~ 97%	~ 92%
Validation Accuracy	~ 67%	~ 79%	~ 61%
Test Accuracy	~ 65%	~ 83%	TBD

Limitations & Future Directions

- Small & biased dataset
- Need automated methods for:
 - Collecting the craquelure images
 - Standardizing/scaling the images
- Expand model to classify more regions and centuries

Thank you!
Any questions?

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APPENDIX

Model: "sequential_1"

Layer (type)	Output Shape	Param #
conv2d_1 (Conv2D)	(None, 124, 124, 10)	3010
max_pooling2d_1 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 12, 12, 10)	0
conv2d_2 (Conv2D)	(None, 4, 4, 10)	2510
max_pooling2d_2 (MaxPooling2D)	(None, 1, 1, 10)	0
conv2d_3 (Conv2D)	(None, 1, 1, 10)	110
average_pooling2d_1 (AveragePooling2D)	(None, 1, 1, 10)	0
flatten_1 (Flatten)	(None, 10)	0
dense_1 (Dense)	(None, 20)	220
dense_2 (Dense)	(None, 100)	2100
dense_3 (Dense)	(None, 200)	20200
dense_4 (Dense)	(None, 1)	201
Total params: 28,351		
Trainable params: 28,351		
Non-trainable params: 0		

Summary of Convolution Neural Network (CNN) Color Model