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Computer Vision and Applications

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Lecture 4: Texture

- Filter-based models
- Example-based / Non-parametric approaches
- Quilting and Epitomes

Readings: F & P 9.1, 9.3, 9.4

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Last time: image pyramids

- Gaussian



Progressively blurred and subsampled versions of the image. Adds scale invariance to fixed-size algorithms.

- Laplacian



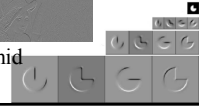
Shows the information added in Gaussian pyramid at each spatial scale. Useful for noise reduction & coding.

- Wavelet/QMF



Bandpassed representation, complete, but with aliasing and some non-oriented subbands.

- Steerable pyramid



Shows components at each scale and orientation separately. Non-aliased subbands. Good for texture and feature analysis.

The Challenge

- How to capture the essence of texture?
- Need to model the whole spectrum: from repeated to stochastic texture
- This problem is at intersection of vision, graphics, statistics, and image compression



repeated



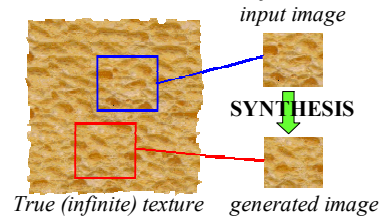
stochastic



Both? ³

<http://www.ci.berkeley.edu/~efros/research/NSF%20effort/cv99.pdf>

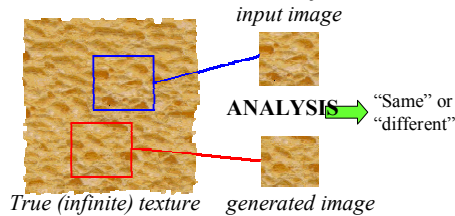
The Goal of Texture Synthesis



- Given a finite sample of some texture, the goal is to synthesize other samples from that same texture
 - The sample needs to be "large enough"

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The Goal of Texture Analysis



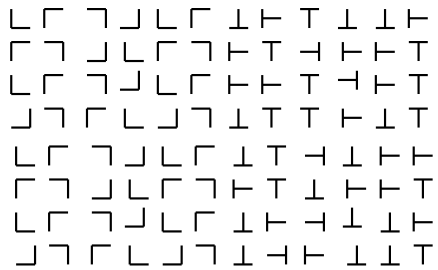
Compare textures and decide if they're made of the same "stuff".

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Pre-attentive texture discrimination

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Pre-attentive texture discrimination



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Pre-attentive texture discrimination

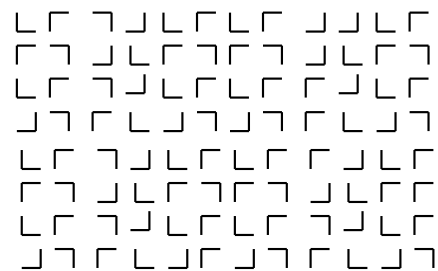
Same or different textures?

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Pre-attentive texture discrimination

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Pre-attentive texture discrimination



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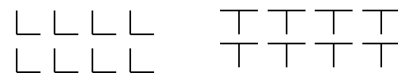
Pre-attentive texture discrimination

Same or different textures?

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Julesz

- Textons: analyze the texture in terms of statistical relationships between fundamental texture elements, called “textons”.
- It generally required a human to look at the texture in order to decide what those fundamental units were...



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Representing textures

- Textures are made up of quite stylized subelements, repeated in meaningful ways
- Representation:
 - find the subelements, and represent their statistics
- But what are the subelements, and how do we find them?
 - recall normalized correlation
 - find subelements by applying filters, looking at the magnitude of the response

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Influential early paper:

Early vision and texture perception

James R. Bergen* & Edward H. Adelson**

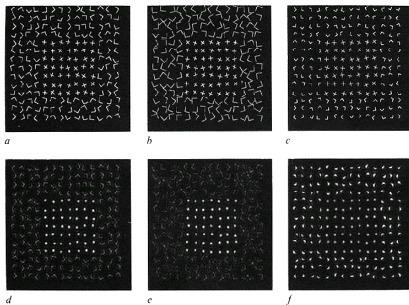
* SRI David Sarnoff Research Center, Princeton, New Jersey 08540, USA
 ** Media Lab and Department of Brain and Cognitive Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139, USA

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Bergen and Adelson, Nature 1988

Learn size-tuned filter responses.

Fig. 1 Top row. Textures consisting of Xs within a texture composed of Ls. The microoptomers are placed at random orientations on a randomly perturbed lattice. a. The bars of the Xs have the same length as the bars of the Ls. b. The bars of the Ls have been lengthened by 25%, and the intensity adjusted for the same mean luminance. Discriminability is enhanced. c. The bars of the Ls have been shortened by 25%, and the intensity adjusted for the same mean luminance. Discriminability is impaired. Bottom row: the responses of a size-tuned mechanism. d, response to image a; e, response to image b; f, response to image c.

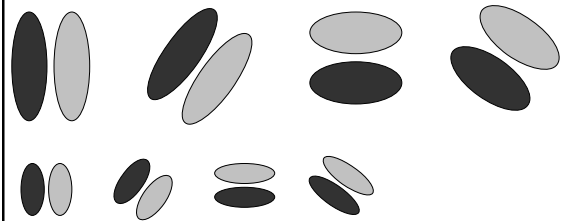


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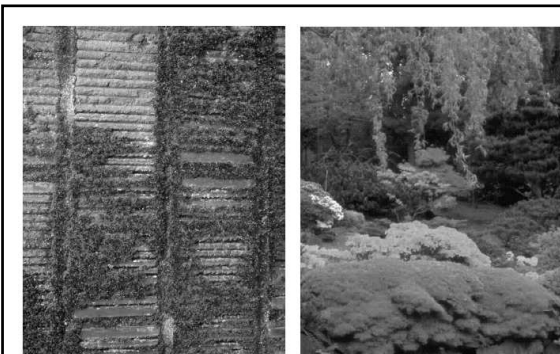
Malik and Perona



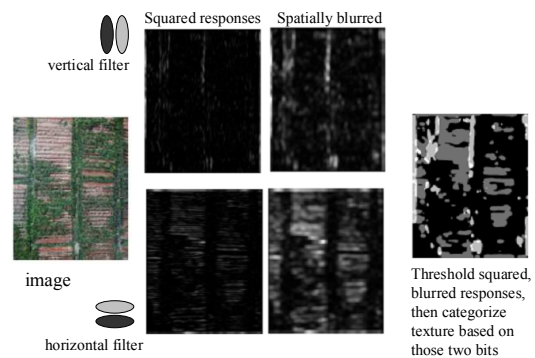
Learn: use lots of filters, multi-ori&scale.

Malik J, Perona P. Preattentive texture discrimination with early vision mechanisms. J OPT SOC AM A 7: (5) 923-932 MAY 1990

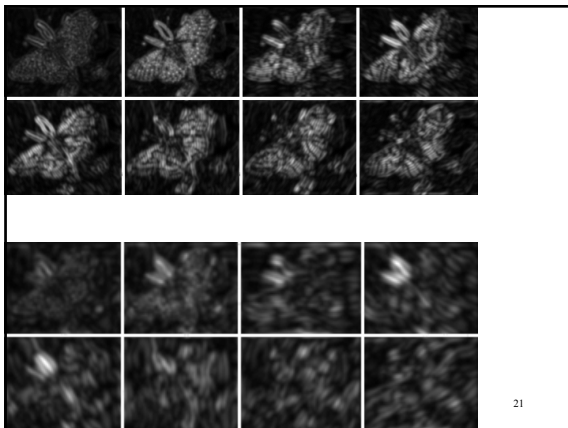
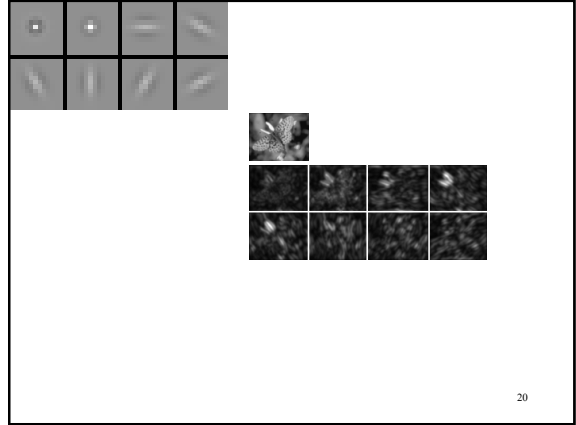
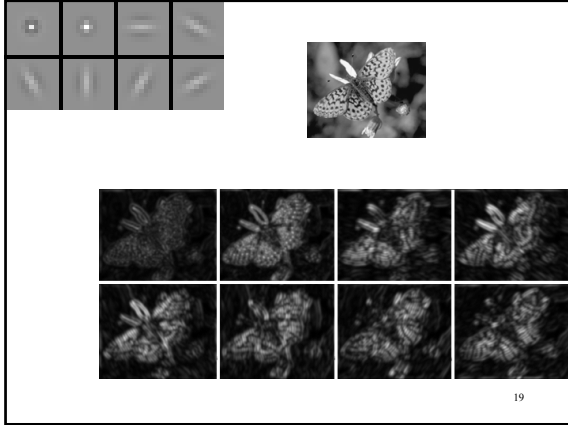
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Pyramid-Based Texture Analysis/Synthesis

David J. Heeger^{*} Stanford University James R. Bergen[†] SRI David Sarnoff Research Center

SIGGRAPH 1994

a

b

c

d

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Bergen and Heeger

Idea: Learn filter marginal statistics.

Figure 2: (Left) Input digitized sample texture: burl maple wood. (Middle) Input noise. (Right) Output synthetic texture that matches the appearance of the digitized sample. Note that the synthesized texture is larger than the digitized sample; our approach allows generation of as much texture as desired. In addition, the synthetic textures tile seamlessly.

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Bergen and Heeger results

Figure 3: In each pair left image is original and right image is synthetic: stucco, iridescent ribbon, green marble, panda fur, slag stone, figured yew wood.

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Bergen and Heeger failures

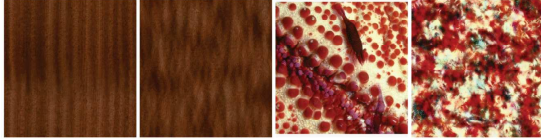


Figure 8: Examples of failures: wood grain and red coral.

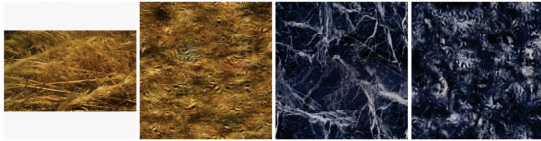


Figure 9: More failures: hay and marble.

DeBonet

Learn filter conditional statistics across scale.

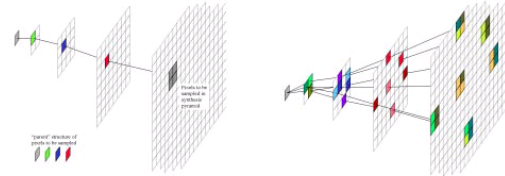
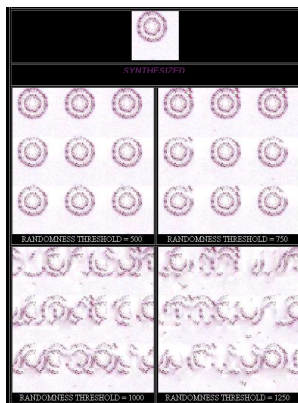


Figure 8: The distribution from which pixels in the synthesis pyramid are sampled is conditioned on the "parent" structure of those pixels. Each element of the parent structure contains a vector of the feature measurements at that location and scale.

Figure 9: An input texture is decomposed to form an analysis pyramid, from which a new synthesis pyramid is sampled, conditioned on local features within the pyramids. A filter bank of local texture measures, based on psychophysical models, are used as features.

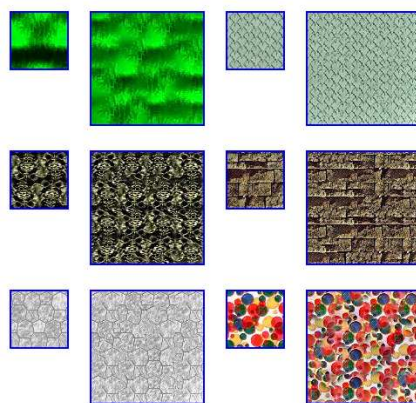
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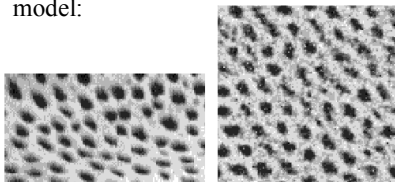
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Zhu, Wu, & Mumford, 1998

Gibbs sampling of Markov Random Field model:



Cheetah

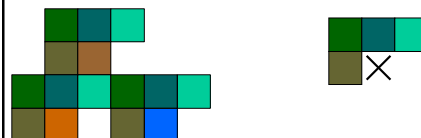
Synthetic

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IEEE International Conference on Computer Vision, Corfu, Greece, September 1999

Texture Synthesis by Non-parametric Sampling

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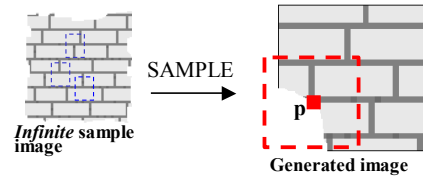
Efros and Leung '99

- preserve local structure
- model wide range of real textures
- ability to do constrained synthesis
- method:
 - Texture is “grown” one pixel at a time
 - conditional pdf of pixel given its neighbors synthesized thus far is computed directly from the sample image

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<http://www.ci.berkeley.edu/~efros/research/NP/Sicofos.iccv99.ps>

Synthesizing One Pixel

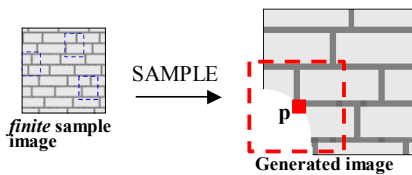


- Assuming Markov property, what is conditional probability distribution of p , given the neighbourhood window?
- Instead of constructing a model, let's directly search the input image for all such neighbourhoods to produce a histogram for p
- To synthesize p , just pick one match at random

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Really Synthesizing One Pixel



- However, since our sample image is finite, an exact neighbourhood match might not be present
- So we find the **best** match using SSD error (weighted by a Gaussian to emphasize local structure), and take all samples within some distance from that match

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Growing Texture

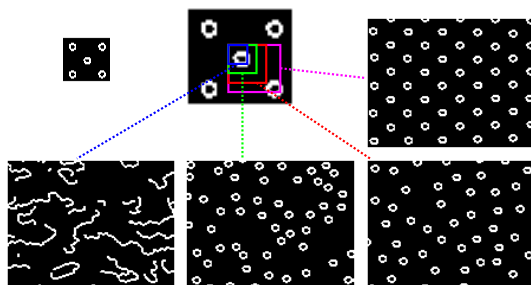


- Starting from the initial configuration, we “grow” the texture one pixel at a time
- The size of the neighbourhood window is a parameter that specifies how stochastic the user believes this texture to be
- To grow from scratch, we use a random 3×3 patch from input image as seed

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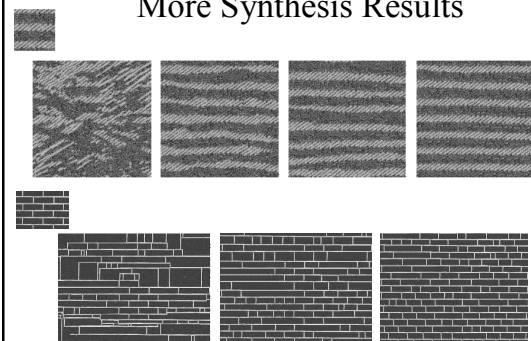
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Randomness Parameter



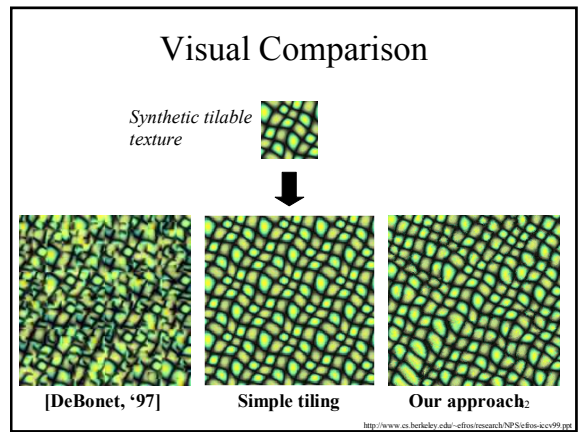
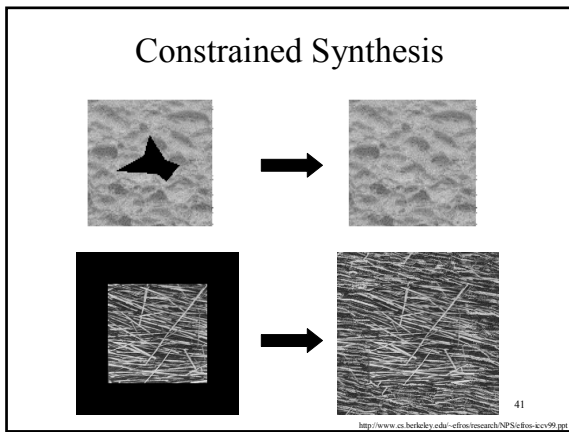
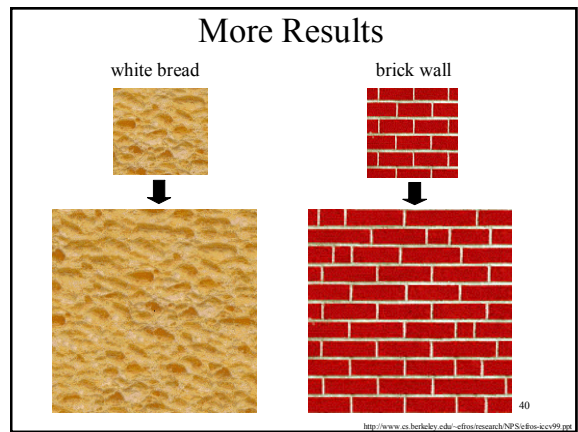
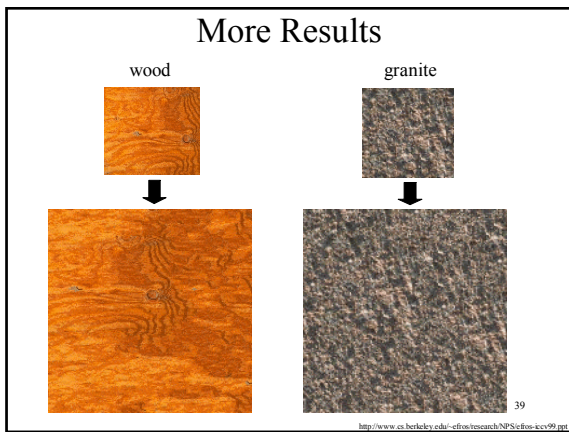
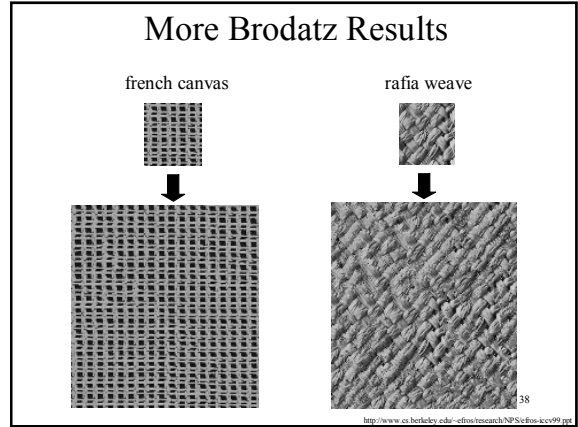
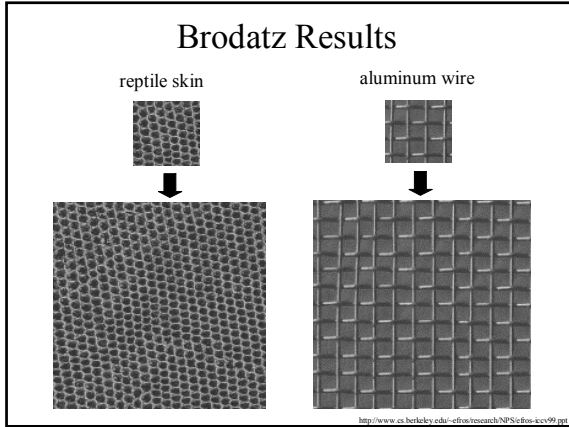
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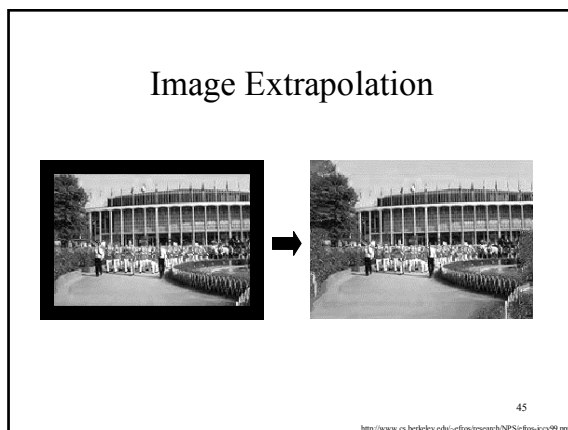
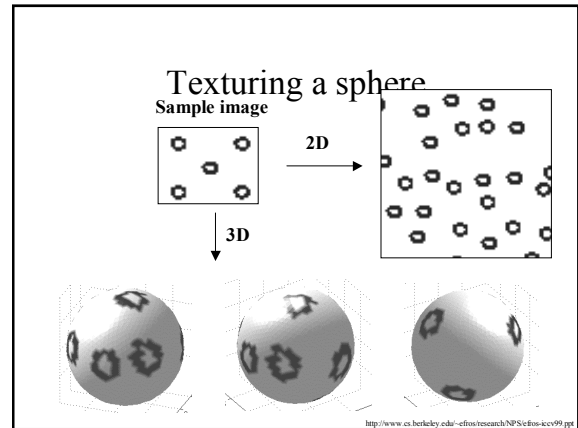
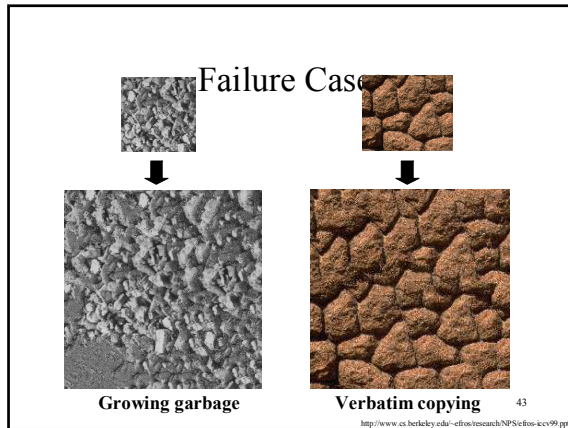
More Synthesis Results



Increasing window size → 36

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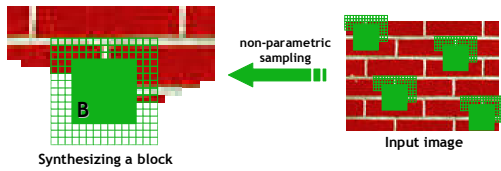


- What we learned from Efros and Leung regarding texture synthesis
- Don't need conditional filter responses across scale
 - Don't need marginal statistics of filter responses.
 - Don't need multi-scale, multi-orientation filters.
 - Don't need filters.
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- Efros & Leung
- The algorithm
 - Very simple
 - Surprisingly good results
 - Synthesis is easier than analysis!
 - ...but very slow
 - Optimizations and Improvements
 - [Wei & Levoy, '00] (based on [Popat & Picard, '93])
 - [Harrison, '01]
 - [Ashikhmin, '01]
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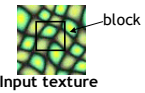
- Quilting
- The “Corrupt Professor’s Algorithm” - Freeman:
 - Plagiarize as much of the source image as you can
 - Then try to cover up the evidence
 - Rationale:
 - Texture blocks are by definition correct samples of texture so problem only connecting them together
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Quilting: Efros & Freeman



- Observation: neighbor pixels are highly correlated
- Idea: unit of synthesis = block
 - Exactly the same but now we want $P(B|N(B))$
 - Much faster: synthesize all pixels in a block at once
 - Not the same as multi-scale!

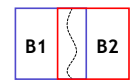
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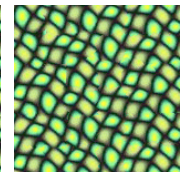
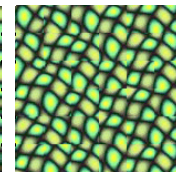
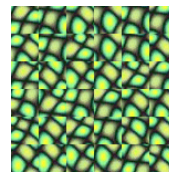
Random placement of blocks



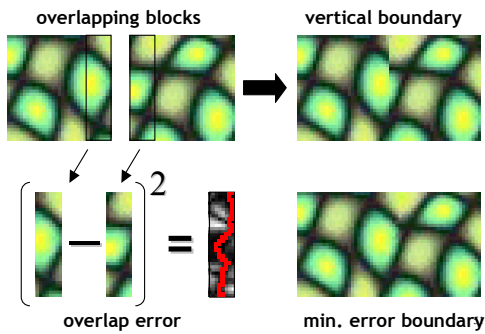
Neighboring blocks constrained by overlap



Minimal error boundary cut



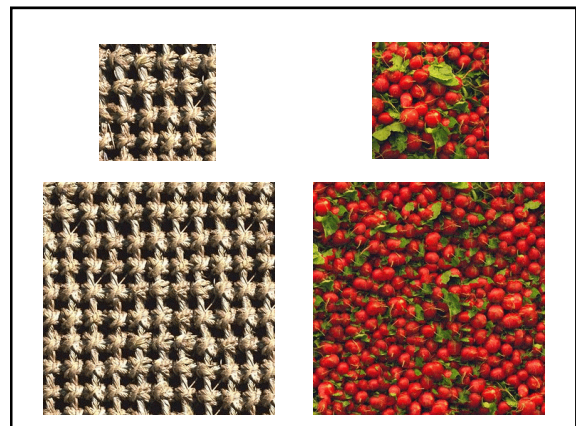
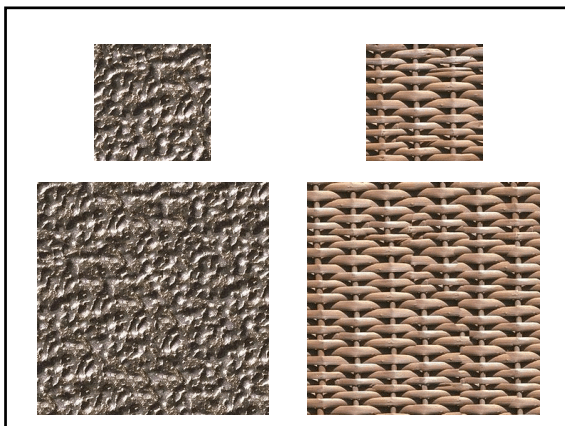
Minimal error boundary

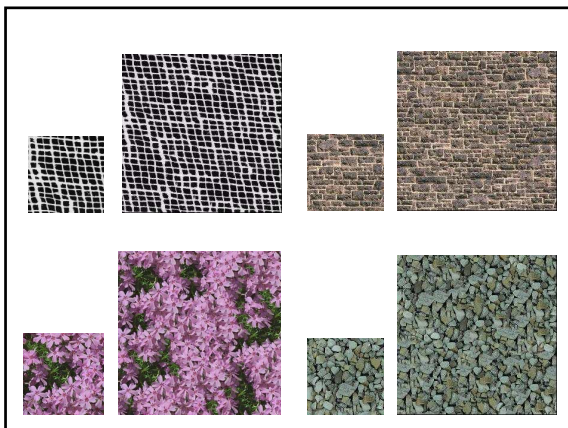
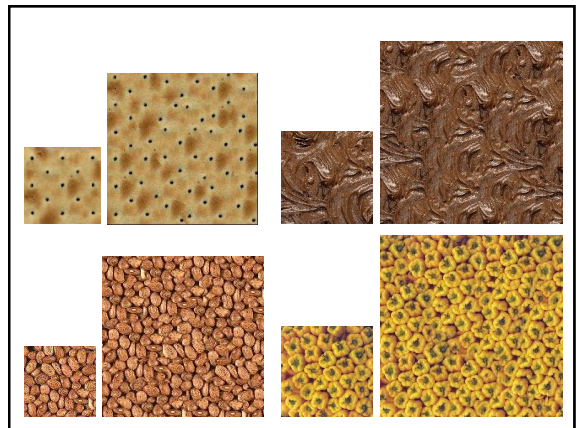
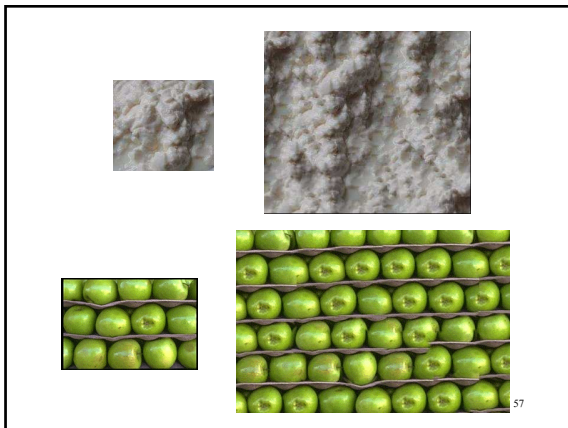
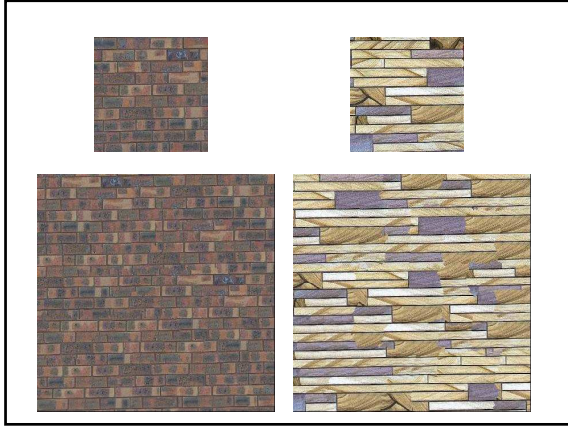


Algorithm

- Pick size of block and size of overlap
- Synthesize blocks in raster order
 - Search input texture for block that satisfies overlap constraints (above and left)
 - Easy to optimize using NN search [Liang et.al., '01]
 - Paste new block into resulting texture
 - use dynamic programming to compute minimal error boundary cut

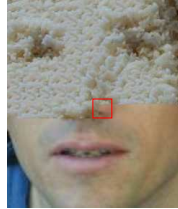
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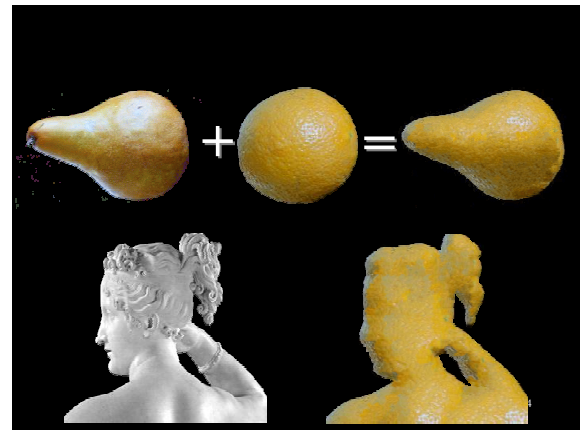
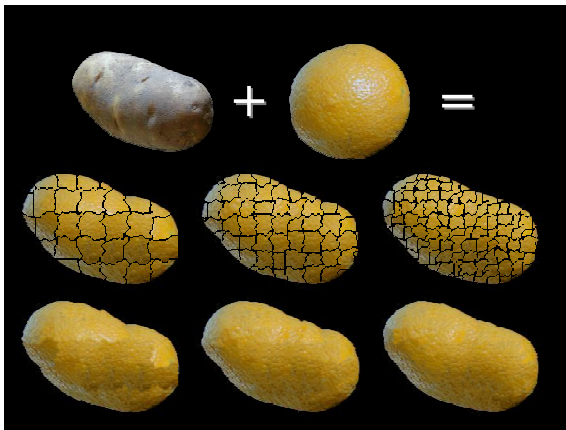
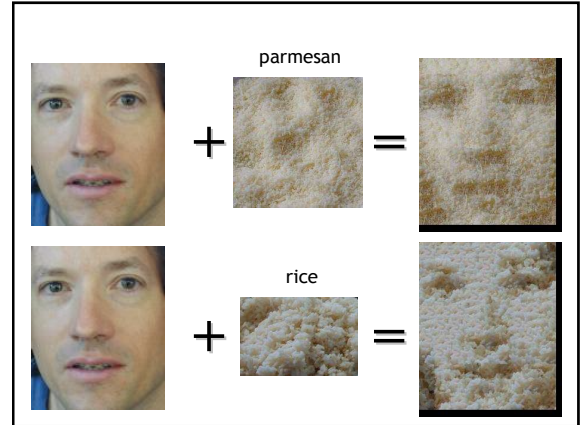
Texture Transfer

- Take the texture from one object and “paint” it onto another object
 - This requires separating texture and shape
 - That’s HARD, but we can cheat
 - Assume we can capture shape by boundary and rough shading

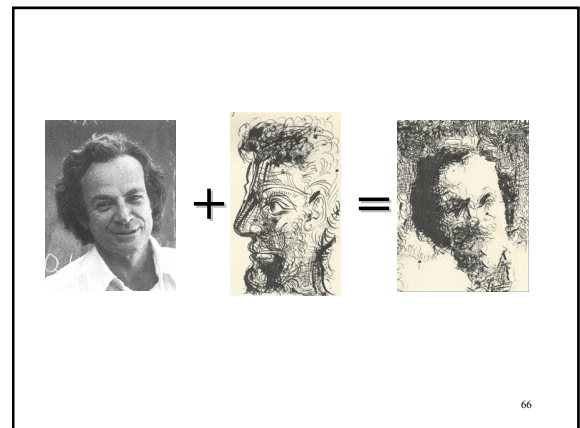


• Then, just add another constraint when sampling: similarity to underlying image at that spot

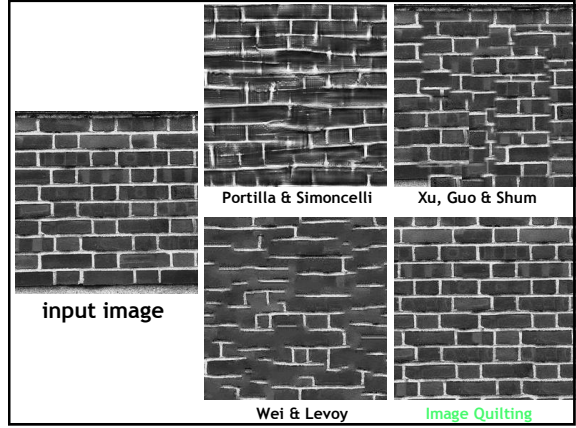
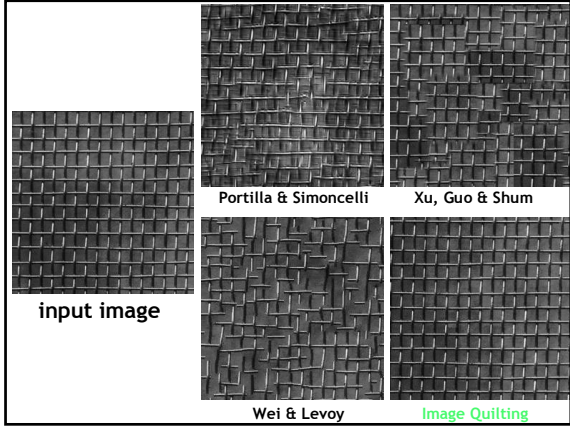
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Homage to Shannon!

describing the response of that neuron... functional description of that neuron... seek a single conceptual and mathematical description of simple-cell receptive field... especially if such a framework has the it helps us to understand the function... Whereas no generic model... difference of offset derivative of a Gaussian, higher derivative... function, and so on—can be expected... simple-cell receptive field, we noneth


Portilla & Simoncelli **Xu, Guo & Shum**

Wei & Levoy **Image Quilting**

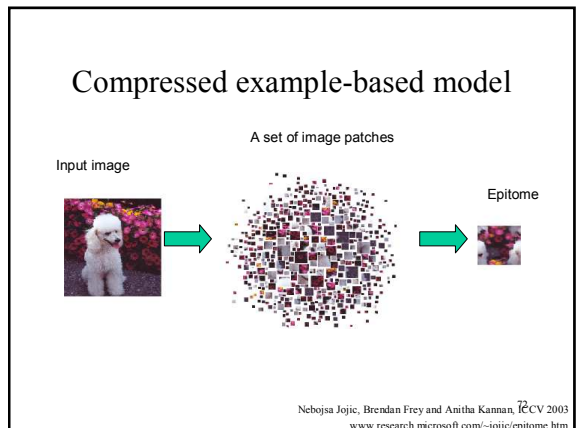
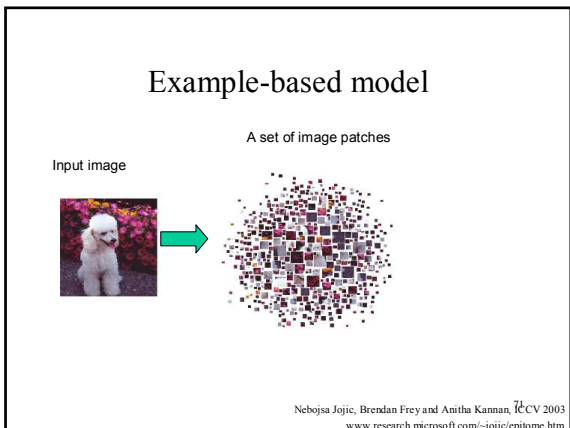
input image

Summary of image quilting

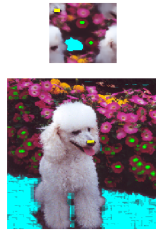
- Quilt together patches of input image
 - randomly (texture synthesis)
 - constrained (texture transfer)
- Image Quilting
 - No filters, no multi-scale, no one-pixel-at-a-time!
 - fast and very simple
 - Results are not bad



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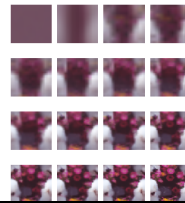
Compact representation



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www.research.microsoft.com/~jojic/epitome.htm

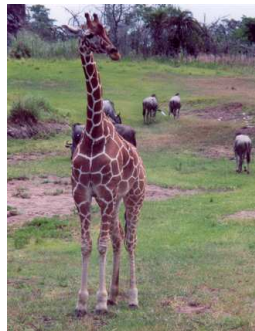
Learning the epitome

- For each patch, infer the posterior over the mappings
- Average all patches using the posterior as a weight
- Estimate the variance



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More examples



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What is epitome good for?

- A better way to learn a library of patches (for SR, texture synthesis and analysis, ...)
- A tool for easy editing
- Organizing visual memory for recognition
- An alternative both to templates and low-order statistics (e.g., histograms) in vision systems

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Denoising

SNR=13dB

SNR=18.4dB

SNR=19.2dB



Original image

Noisy image

Reconstruction
using a mixture of
1000 patches
learned from the
noisy image

Reconstruction
using an 80x80
epitome

(in both cases, the patch size was 8x8)

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