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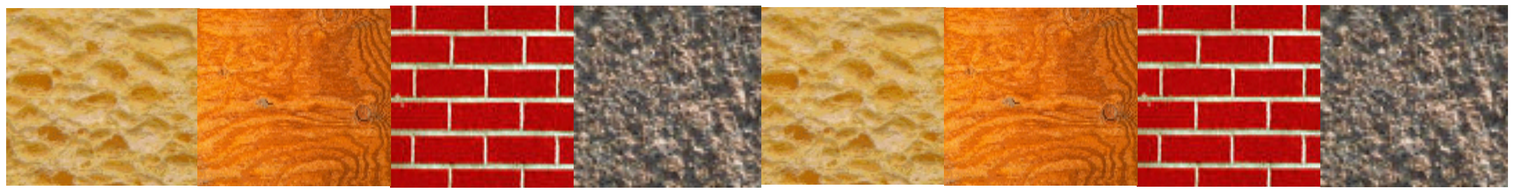
CPSC 425: Computer Vision



Lecture 11: Texture

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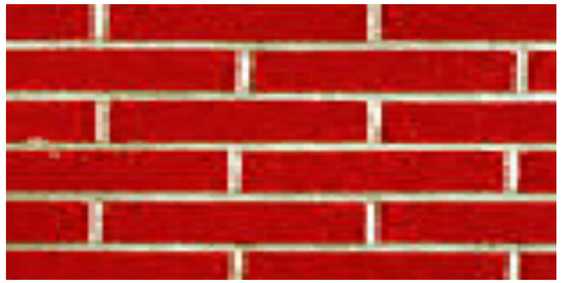
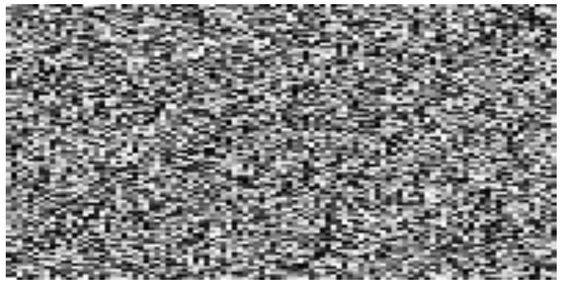
Texture

What is **texture**?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Texture is widespread, easy to recognize, but hard to define

Views of large numbers of small objects are often considered textures
— e.g. grass, foliage, pebbles, hair

Patterned surface markings are considered textures
— e.g. patterns on wood

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Sometimes, textures are thought of as patterns composed of repeated instances of one (or more) identifiable elements, called **textons**.

— e.g. bricks in a wall, spots on a cheetah

Uses of **Texture**

Texture can be a strong cue to **object identity** if the object has distinctive material properties

Texture can be a strong cue to an **object's shape** based on the deformation of the texture from point to point.

— Estimating surface orientation or shape from texture is known as "**shape from texture**"

Texture

We will look at two main questions:

1. How do we represent texture?
   → Texture **analysis**

2. How do we generate new examples of a texture?
   → Texture **synthesis**

We begin with texture synthesis to set up **Assignment 3**

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2. To produce large quantities of texture for computer graphics

— Good textures make object models look more realistic

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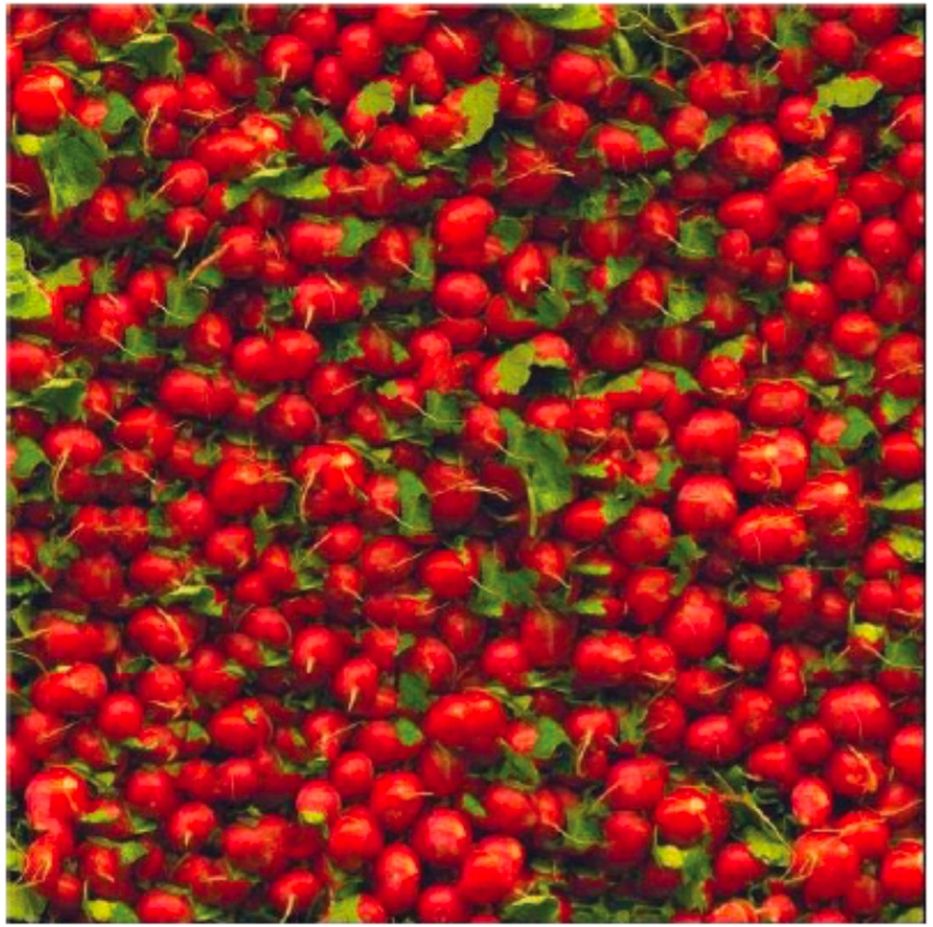
radishes



lots more radishes

Szeliski, Fig. 10.49

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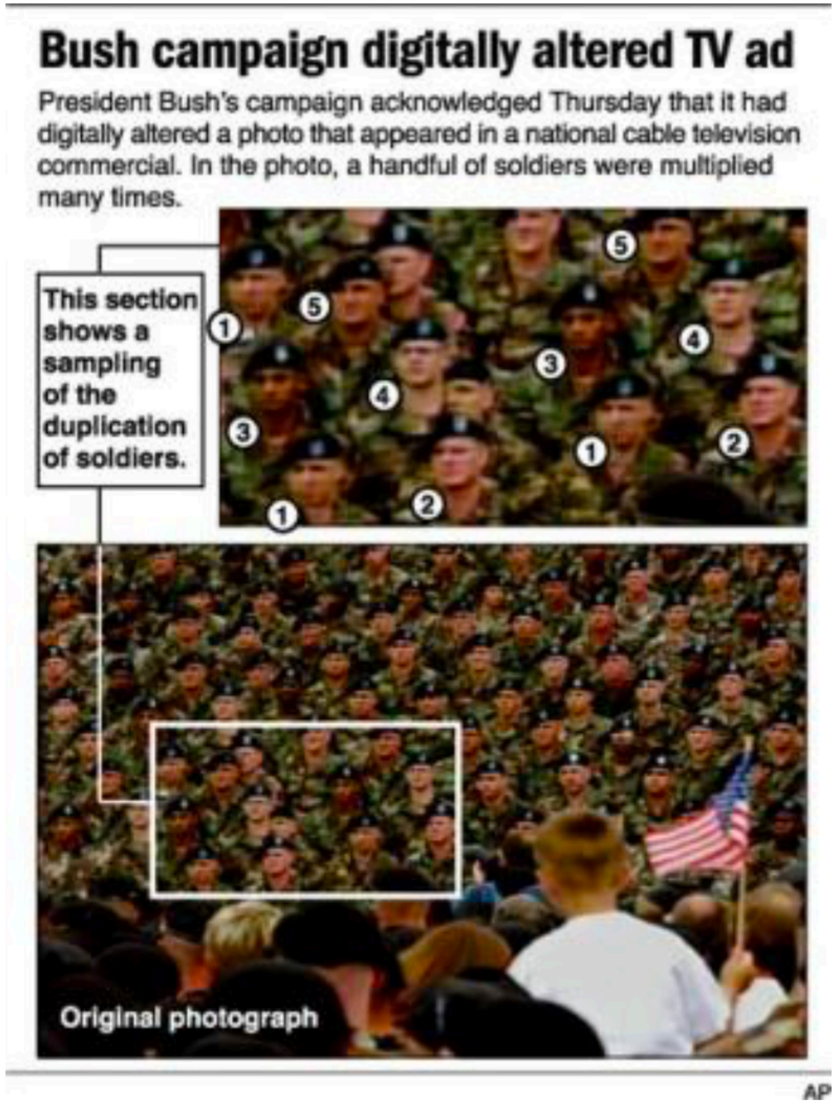

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Texture **Synthesis**

Cover of “The Economist,” June 19, 2010

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Texture Synthesis

Objective: Generate new examples of a texture. We take a “data-driven" approach

Idea: Use an image of the texture as the source of a probability model

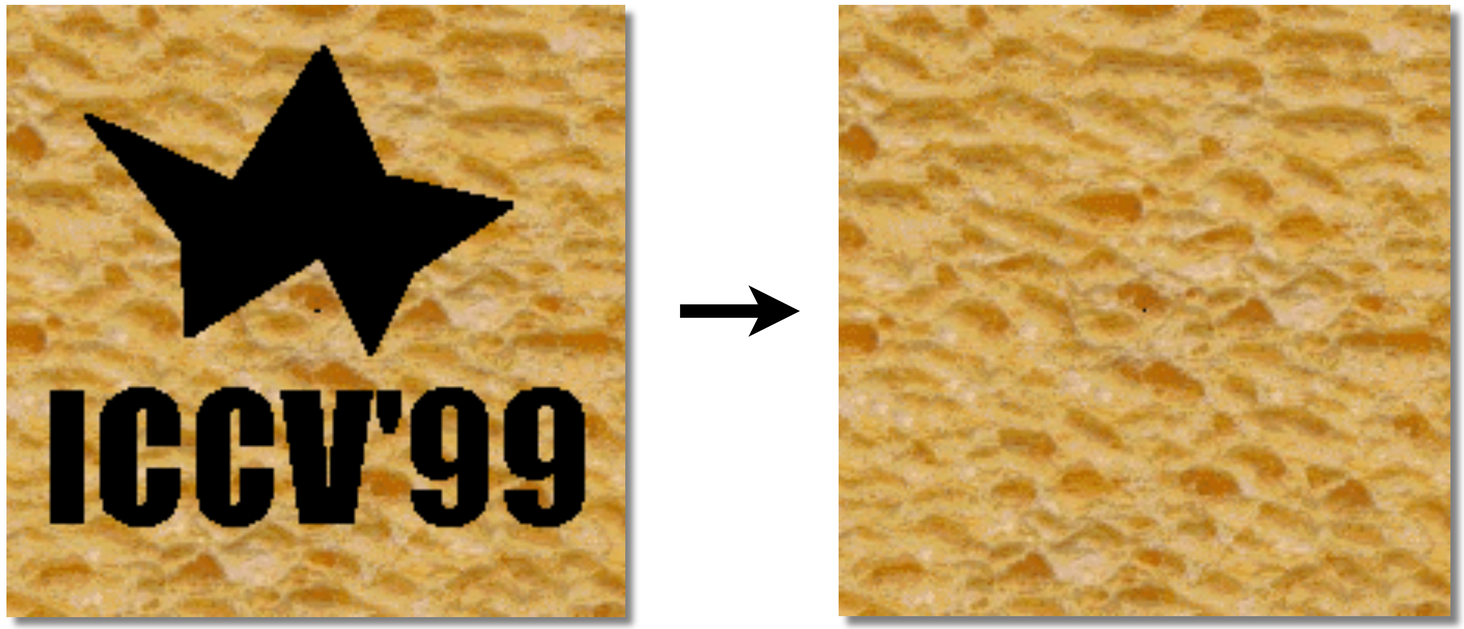
— Draw samples directly from the actual texture

— Can account for more types of structure

— Very simple to implement

— Success depends on choosing a correct “distance”

Texture Synthesis by Non-parametric Sampling



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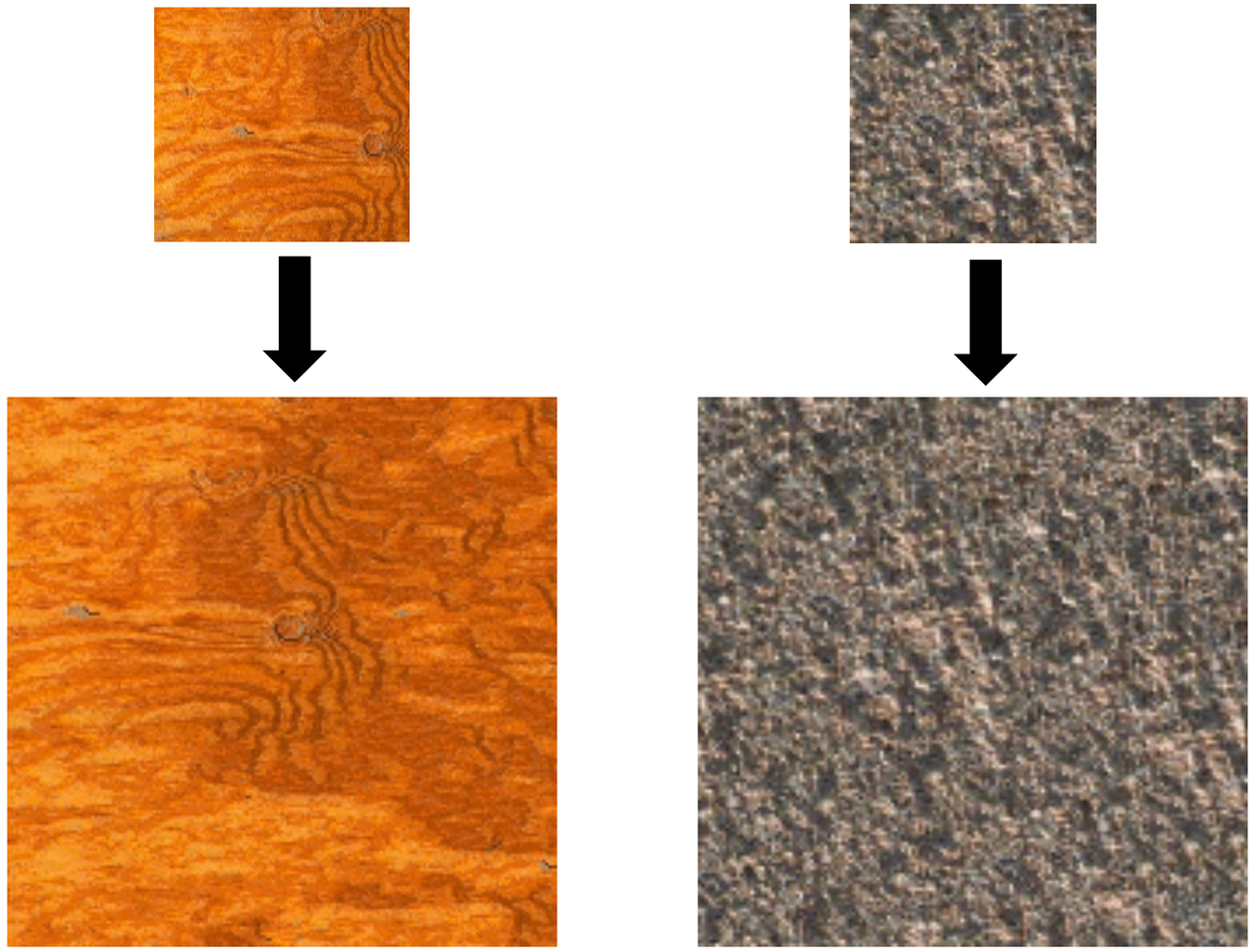

wood granite

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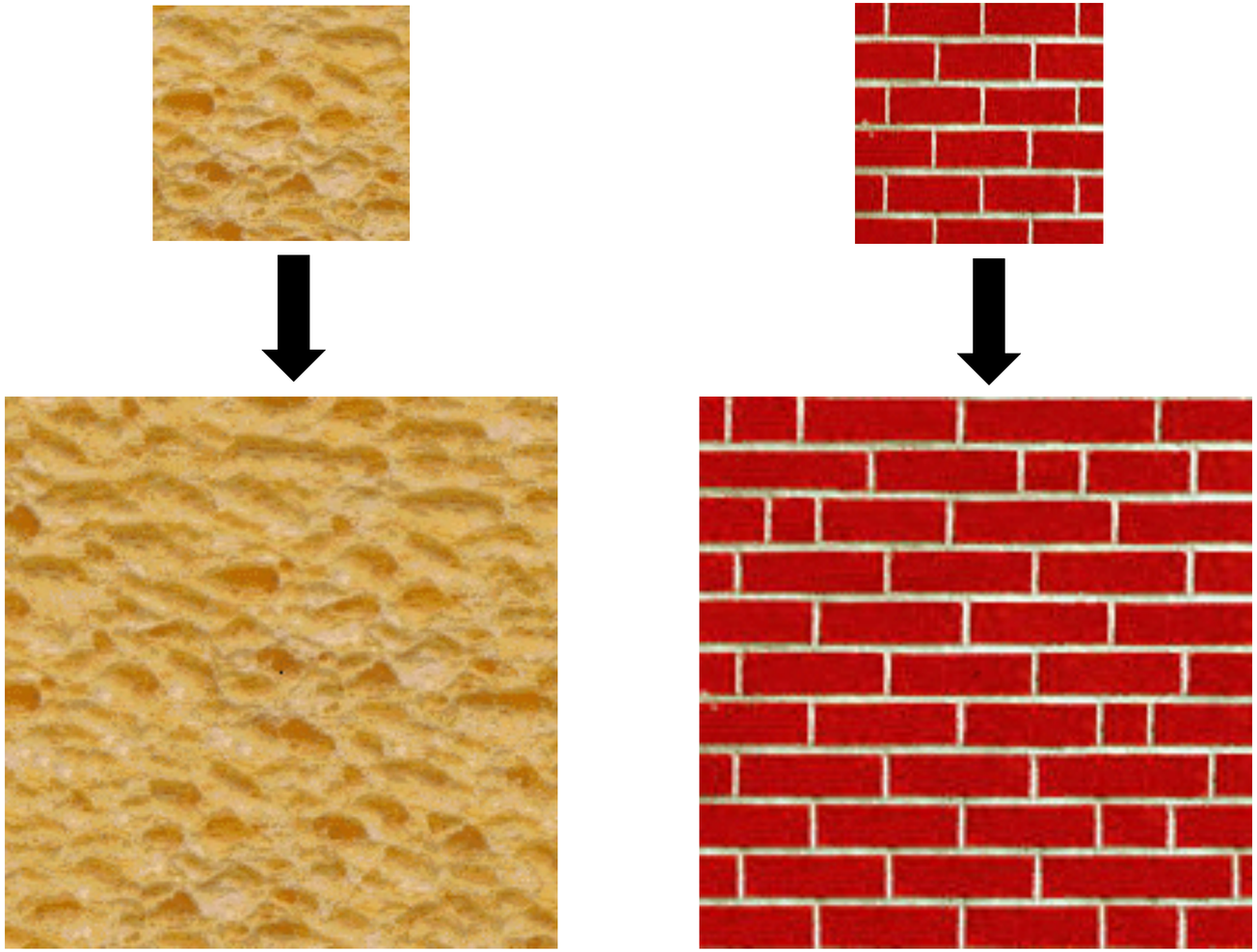
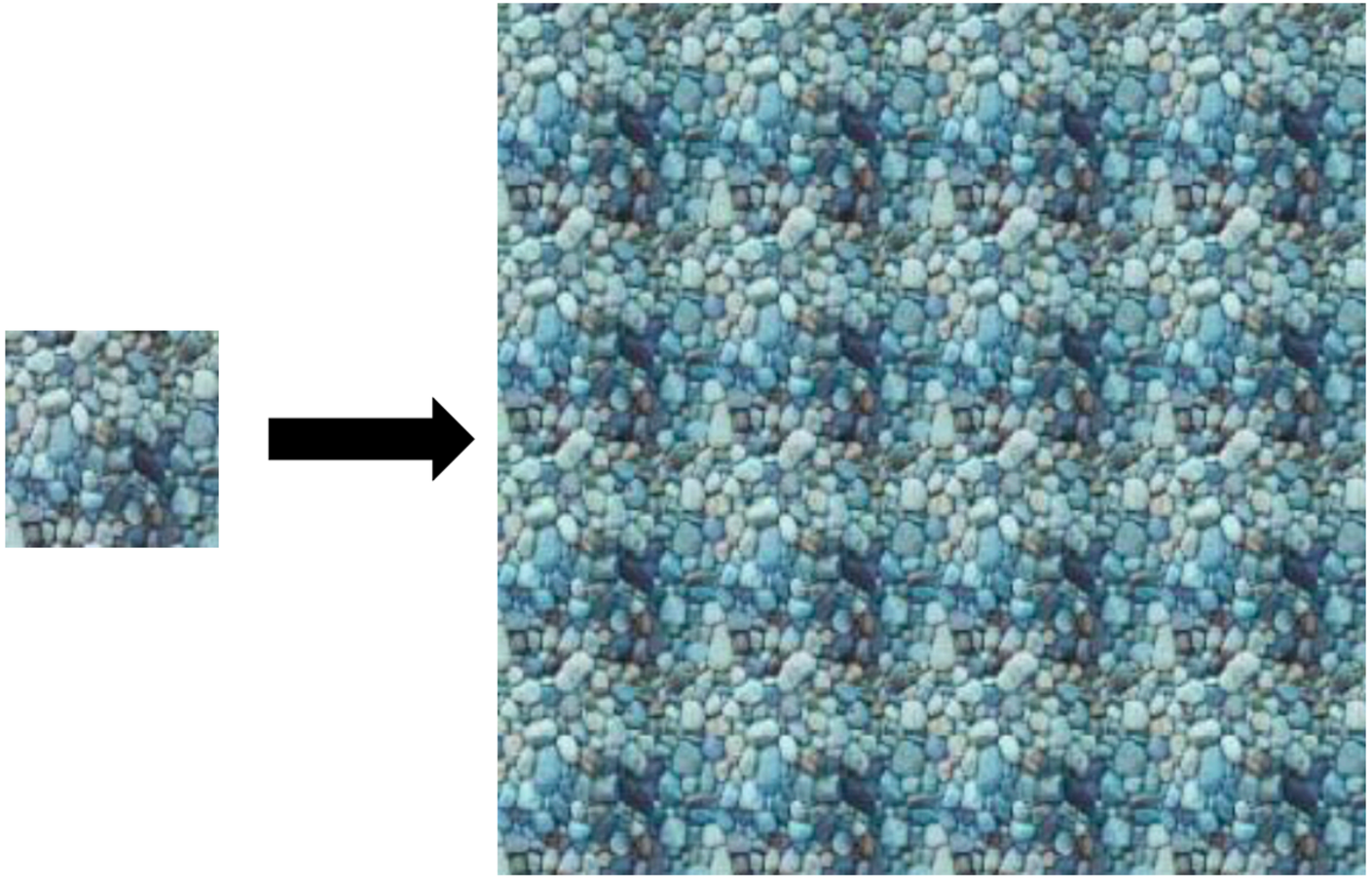


white bread

brick wall

Like **Copying**, But not Just Repetition



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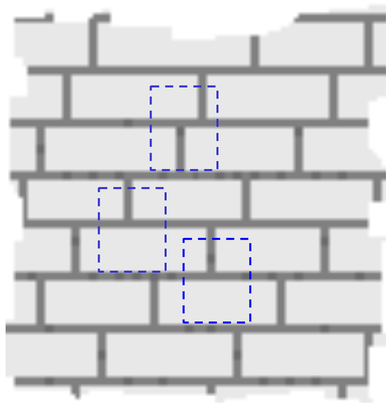

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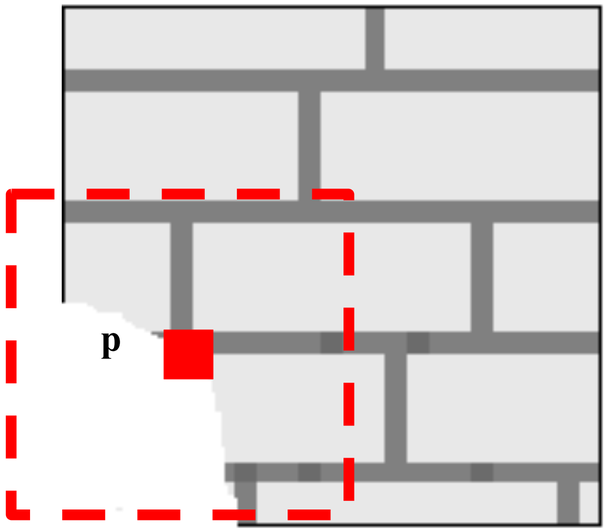

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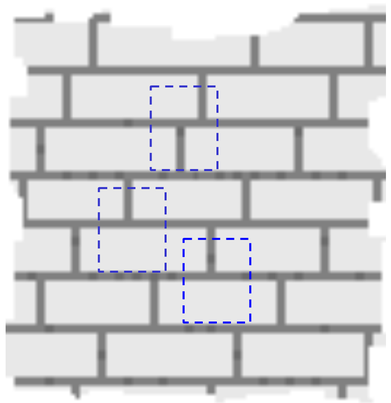

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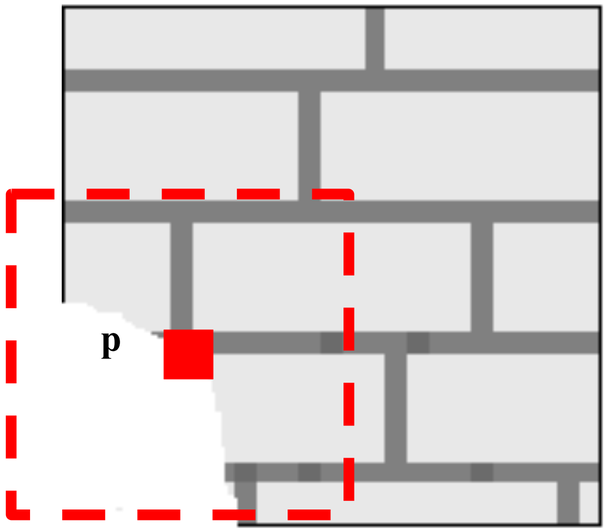

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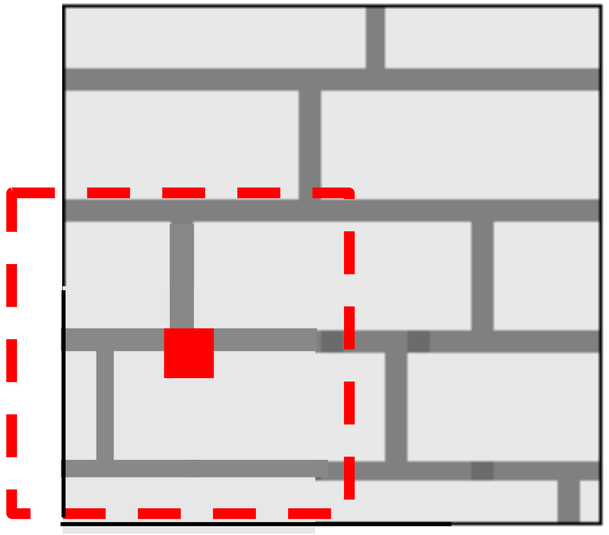

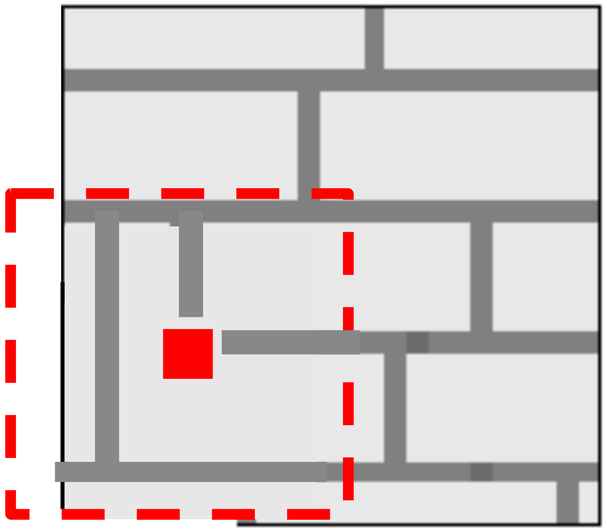

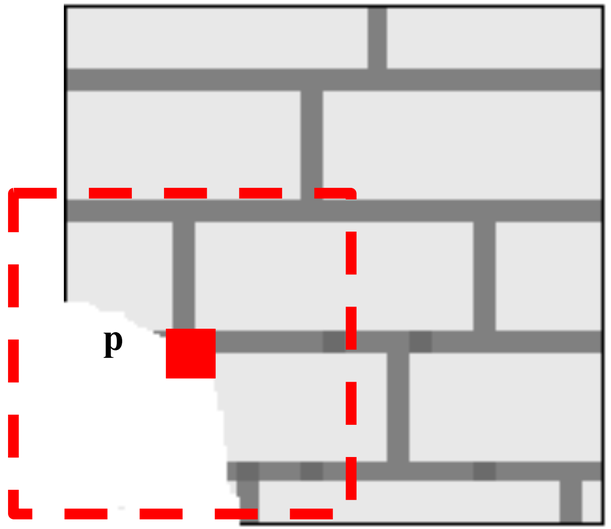

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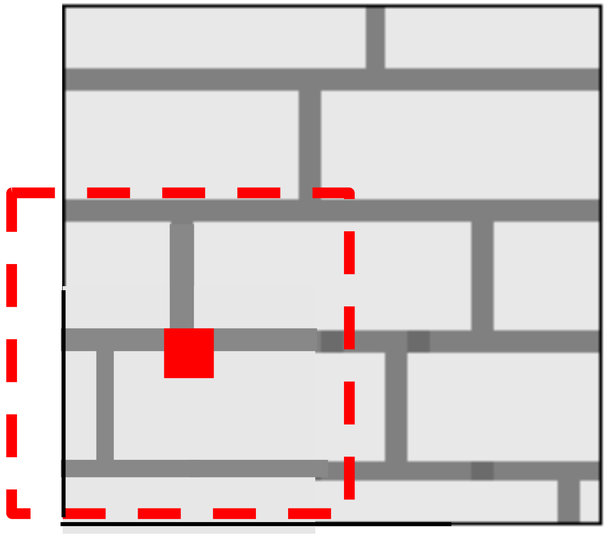

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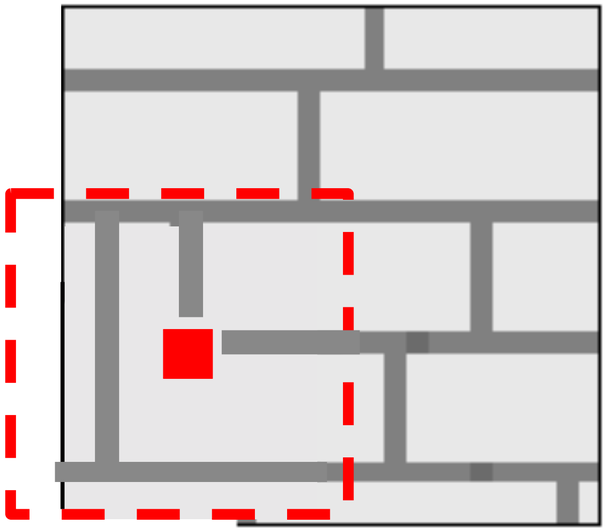

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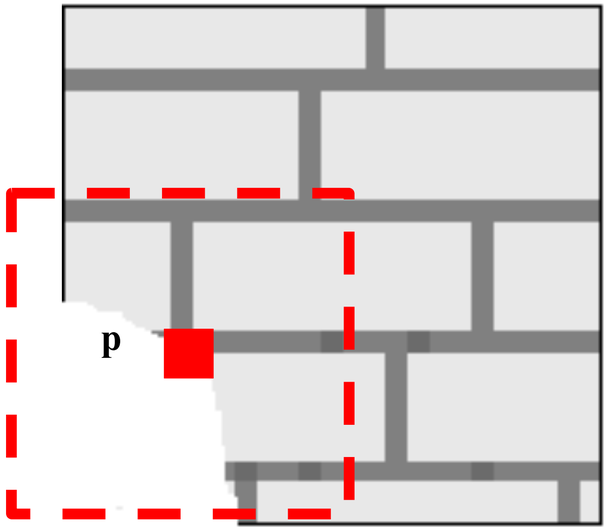

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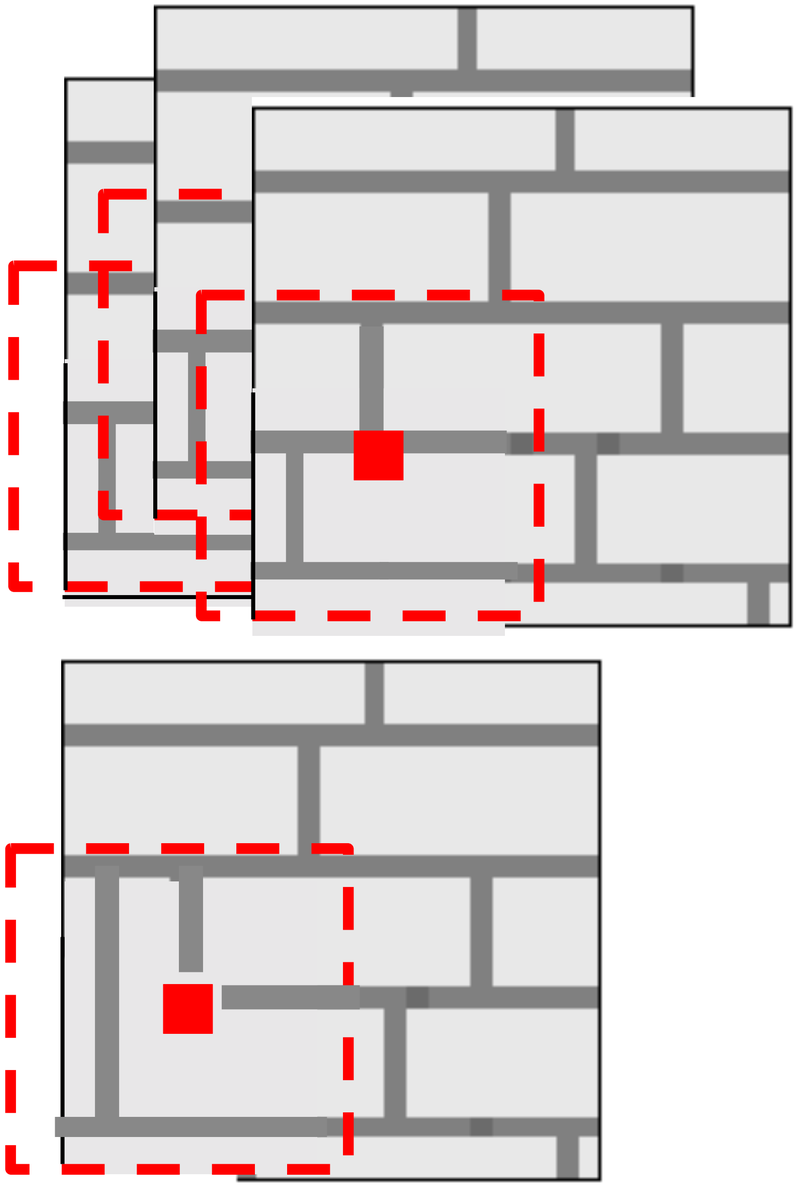

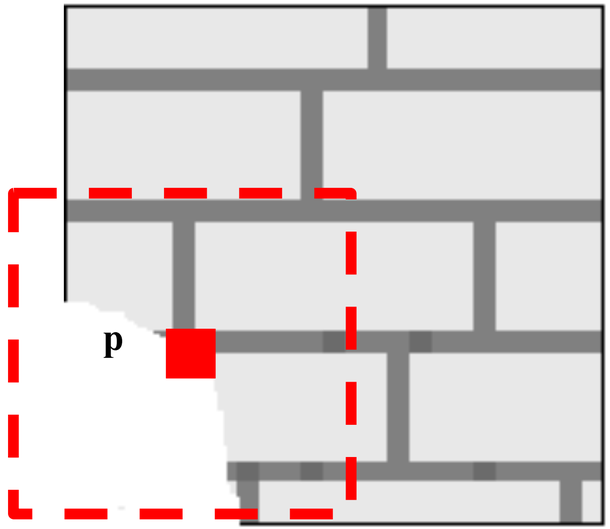

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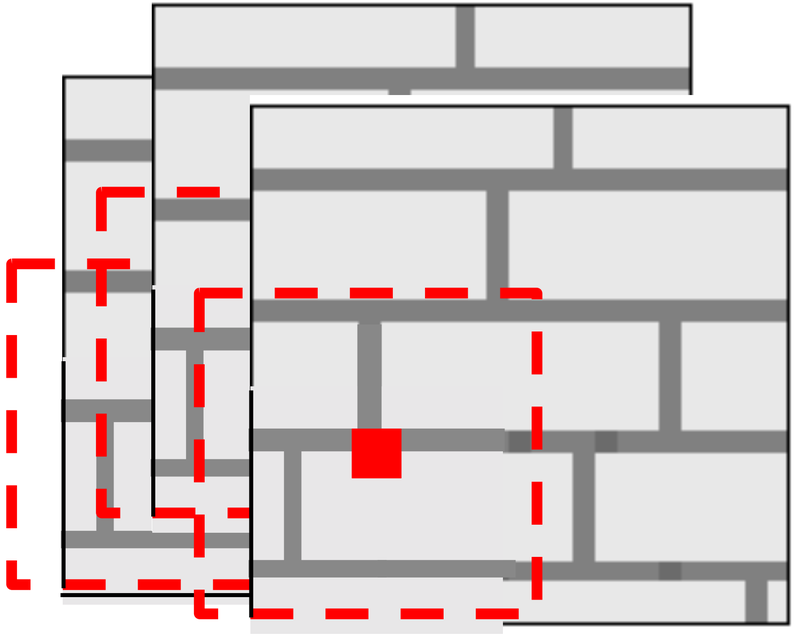

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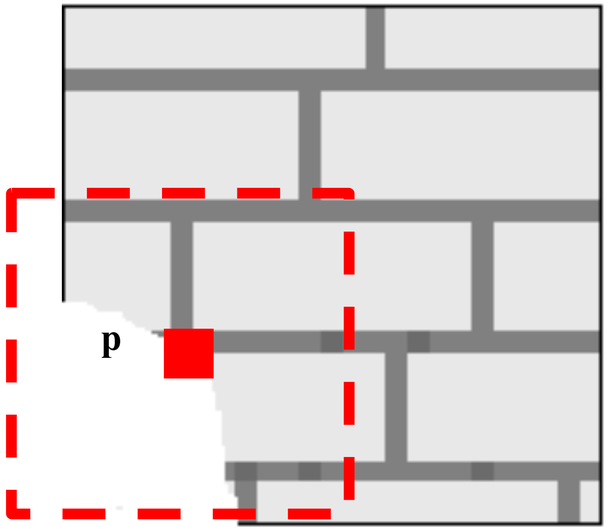

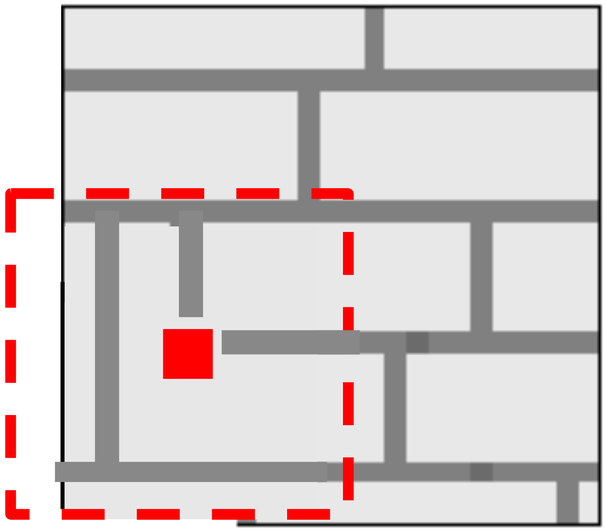

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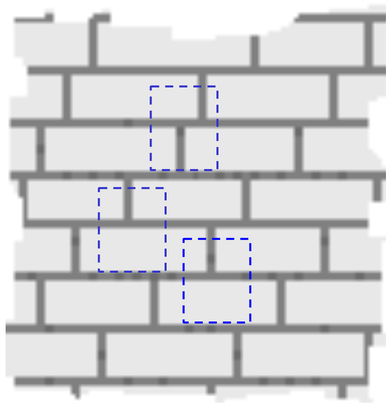

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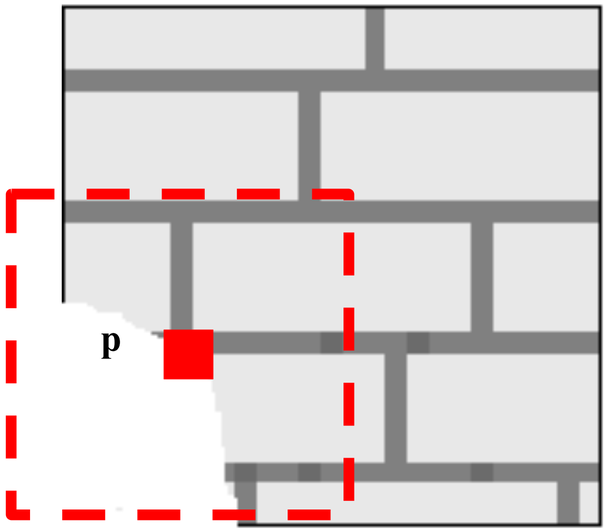

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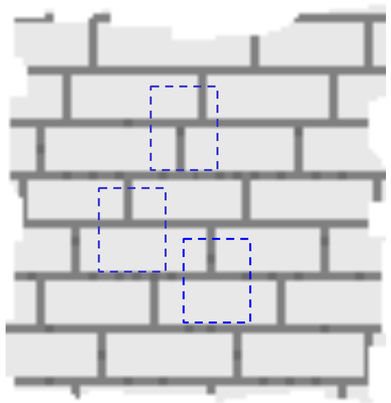

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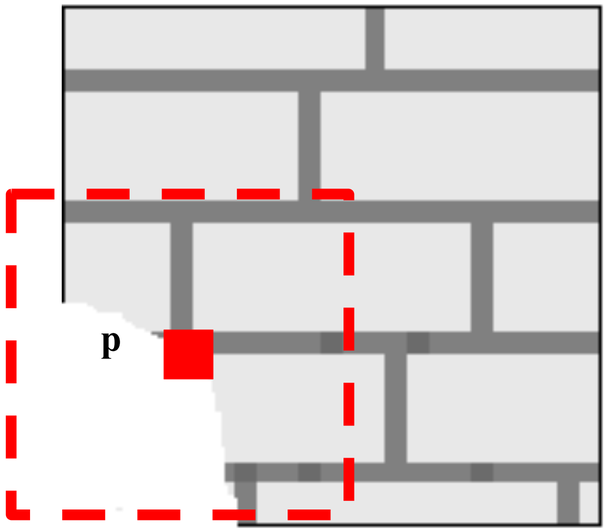

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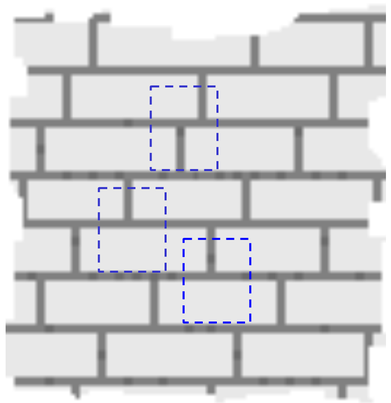

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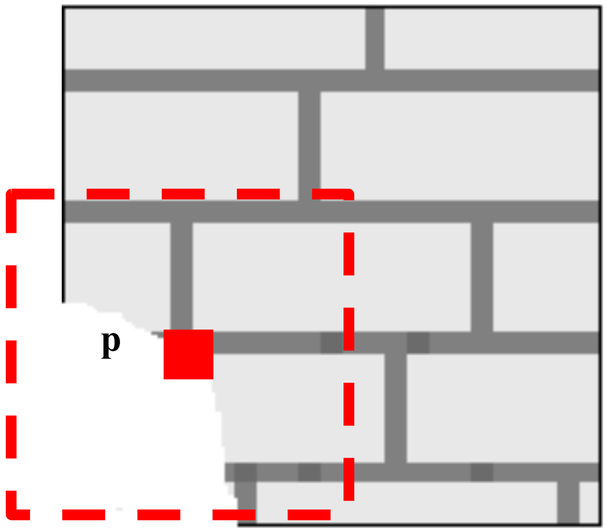

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— Find the **best match** using SSD error, weighted by Gaussian to emphasize local structure, and take all samples within some distance from that match

Efros and Leung: Synthesizing Many Pixels

For multiple pixels, "grow" the texture in layers

— In the case of hole-filling, start from the edges of the hole

For an interactive demo, see

https://una-dinosauria.github.io/efros-and-leung-js/

(written by Julieta Martinez, a previous CPSC 425 TA)