



Image Compositing & Morphing

COS 426



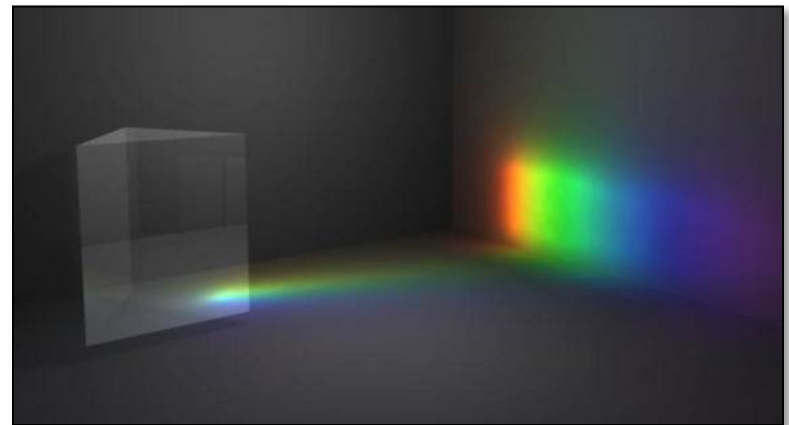
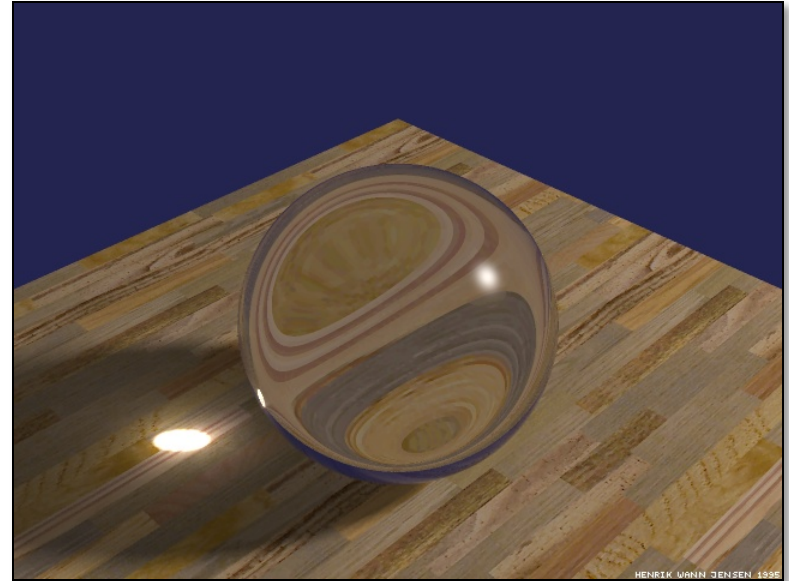
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Types of Transparency

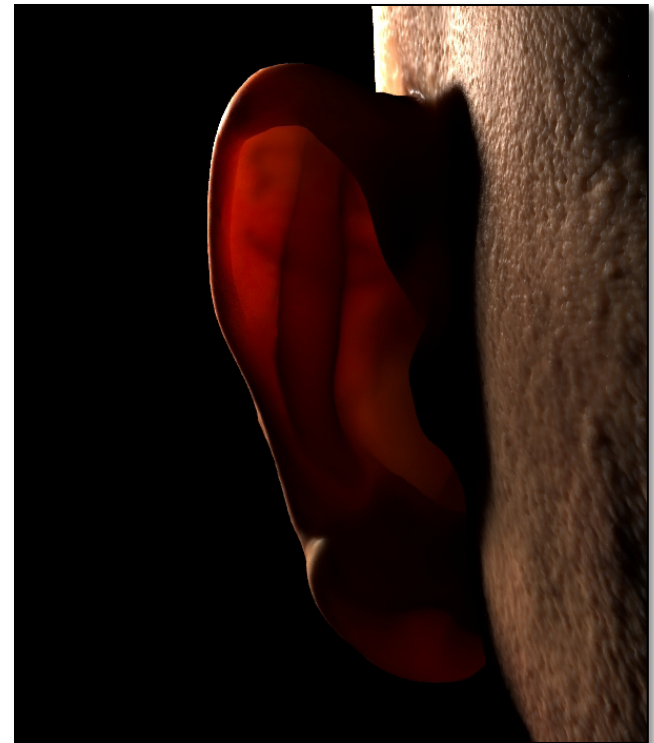
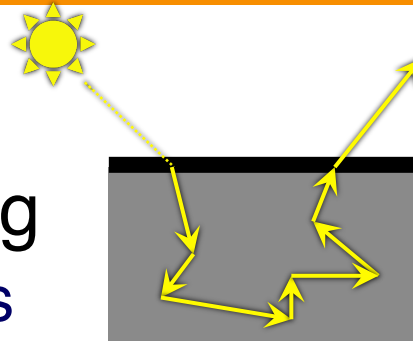


- Refraction
 - Light is bent as it goes through an object
 - Can focus light: caustics
 - Can be color-dependent: dispersion



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- Subsurface scattering
 - Translucent materials
 - Light leaves at different position than it entered



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 - Light leaves at different position than it entered
- Today: nonrefractive transparency
 - Pixelwise composition
 - Separate image into “elements” or “layers”
 - Can generate independently
 - Composite together



Example



Jurassic Park

Image Composition



- Issues:
 - Segmentation of image into regions
 - Blend into single image seamlessly

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Image Segmentation

- Chroma keying (blue- or green-screen)
 - Photograph object in front of screen with known color



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Image Segmentation

- Specify segmentation by hand
 - Purely manual: rotoscoping (draw matte, every frame)
 - Semi-automatic: graph min-cut (draw a few strokes)
Separate image regions along minimal cuts (where edges measure differences between adjacent pixels)

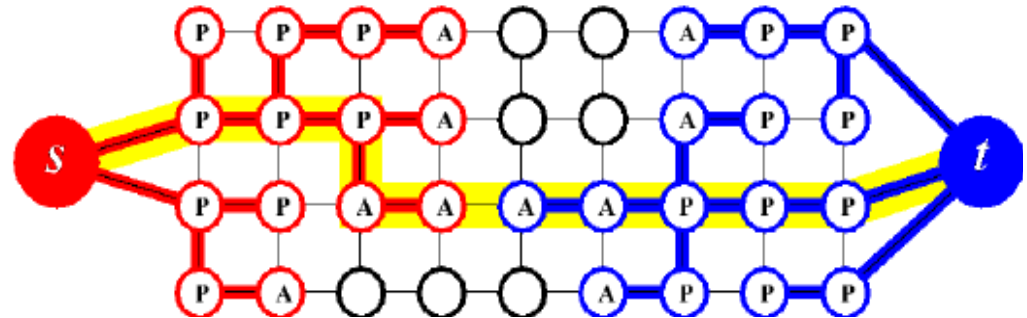
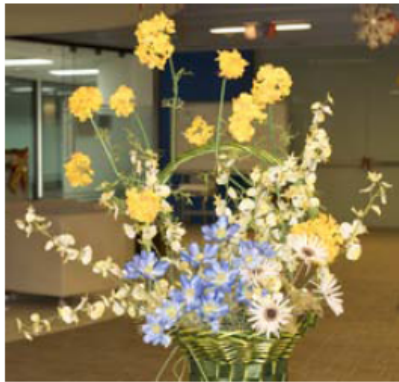
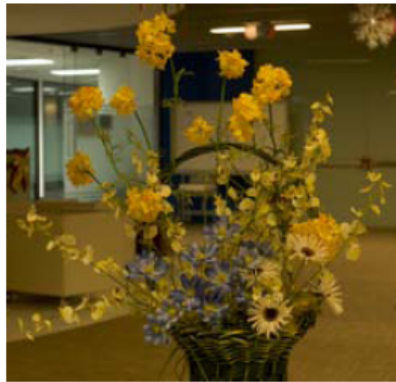


Image Segmentation

- Novel methods, e.g. flash matting



flash



no flash



matte



composite

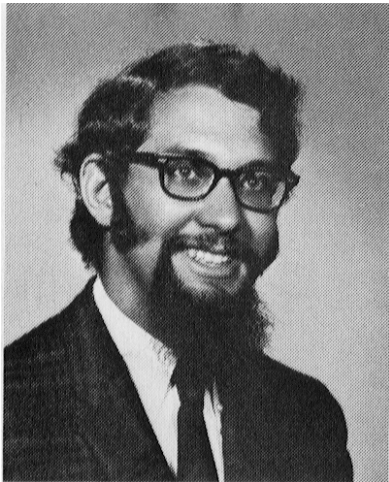
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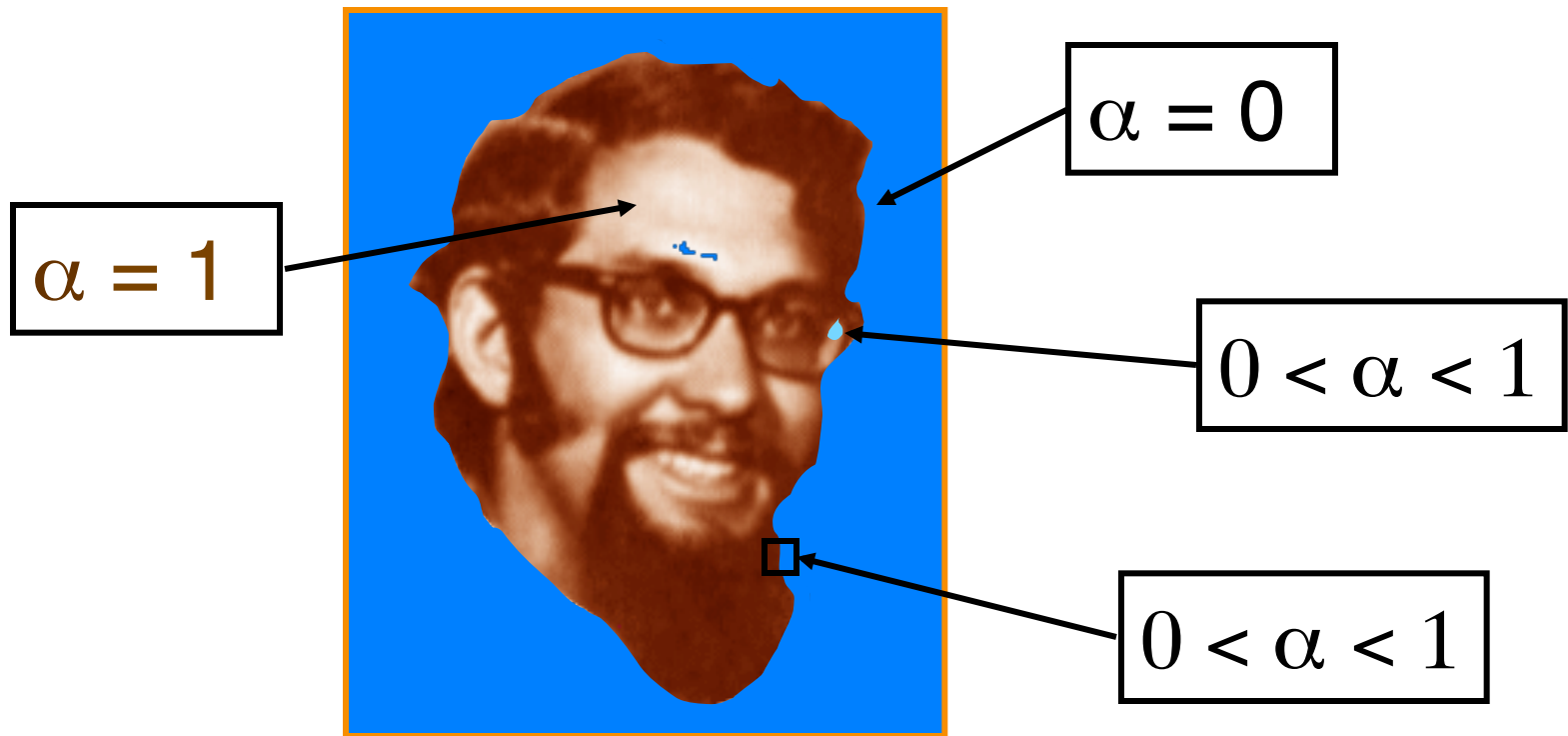
Image Blending

- Ingredients
 - Background image
 - Foreground image with blue background
- Method
 - Non-blue foreground pixels overwrite background



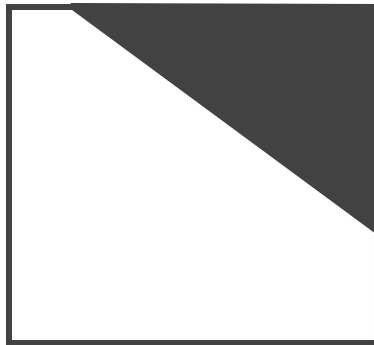
Blending with Alpha

Controls the linear interpolation of foreground and background pixels when elements are composited.



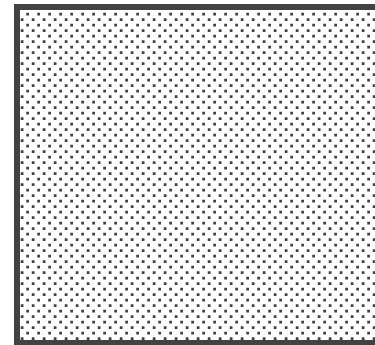
Alpha Channel

- Encodes pixel coverage information
 - $\alpha = 0$: no coverage (or transparent)
 - $\alpha = 1$: full coverage (or opaque)
 - $0 < \alpha < 1$: partial coverage (or semi-transparent)
- Example: $\alpha = 0.3$



Partial
Coverage

or



Semi-
Transparent

Alpha Blending: “Over” Operator



$$C = A \text{ over } B$$

$$C = \alpha_A A + (1 - \alpha_A) B$$



$$0 < \alpha < 1$$

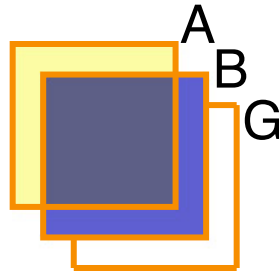
This assumes an image with “non-pre-multiplied” alpha.

Will (rarely) encounter images with “pre-multiplied” alpha:
store $(\alpha R, \alpha G, \alpha B, \alpha)$
instead of (R, G, B, α)

Alpha Blending: “Over” Operator



- Suppose we put **A over B over** background G



- How much of B is blocked by A?

$$\alpha_A$$

- How much of B shows through A

$$(1 - \alpha_A)$$

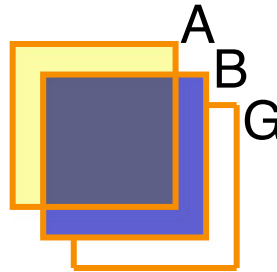
- How much of G shows through both A and B?

$$(1 - \alpha_A)(1 - \alpha_B)$$

Alpha Blending: “Over” Operator



- Suppose we put A **over** B **over** background G



- Final result?

$$\alpha_A A + (1 - \alpha_A) \alpha_B B + (1 - \alpha_A) (1 - \alpha_B) G$$

$$= \alpha_A A + (1 - \alpha_A) [\alpha_B B + (1 - \alpha_B) G]$$

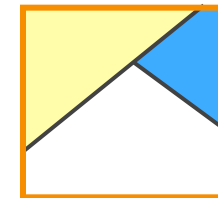
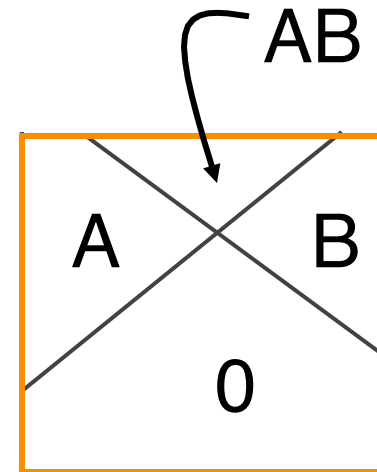
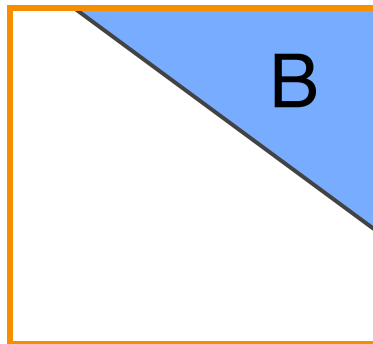
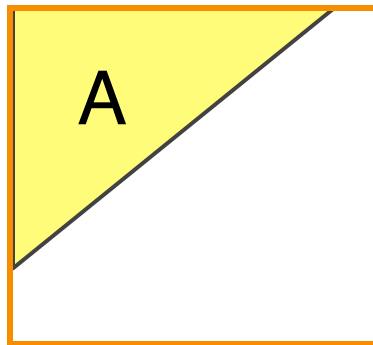
$$= A \text{ over } [B \text{ over } G]$$

Must perform “over” back to front!

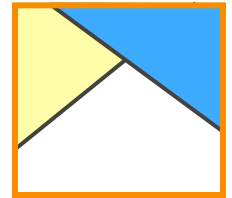
Other Compositing Operations



- How can we combine 2 partially covered pixels?
 - 3 possible colors (0, A, B)
 - 4 regions (0, A, B, AB)



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Blending with Alpha

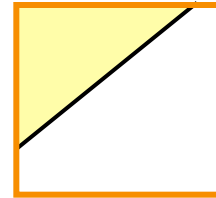
Composition algebra – 12 combinations

$$C' = F_A \alpha_A A + F_B \alpha_B B$$

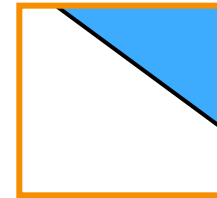
Operation	F_A	F_B
Clear	0	0
A	1	0
B	0	1
A over B	1	$1 - \alpha_A$
B over A	$1 - \alpha_B$	1
A in B	α_B	0
B in A	0	α_A
A out B	$1 - \alpha_B$	0
B out A	0	$1 - \alpha_A$
A atop B	α_B	$1 - \alpha_A$
B atop A	$1 - \alpha_B$	α_A
A xor B	$1 - \alpha_B$	$1 - \alpha_A$



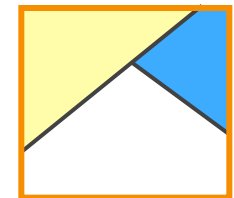
clear



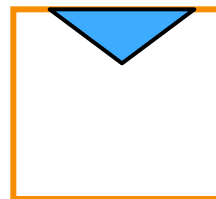
A



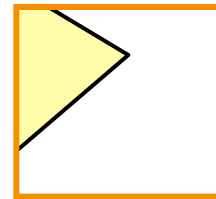
B



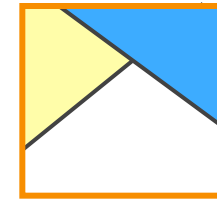
A over B



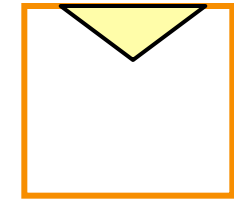
B in A



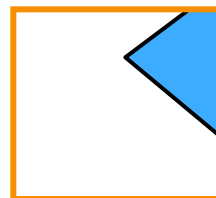
A out B



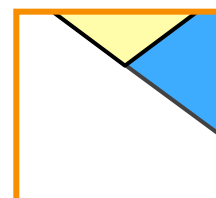
B over A



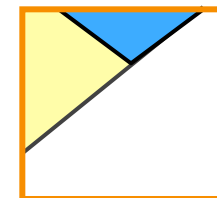
A in B



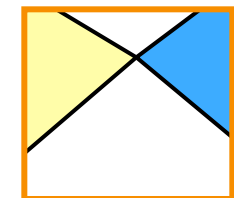
B out A



A atop B



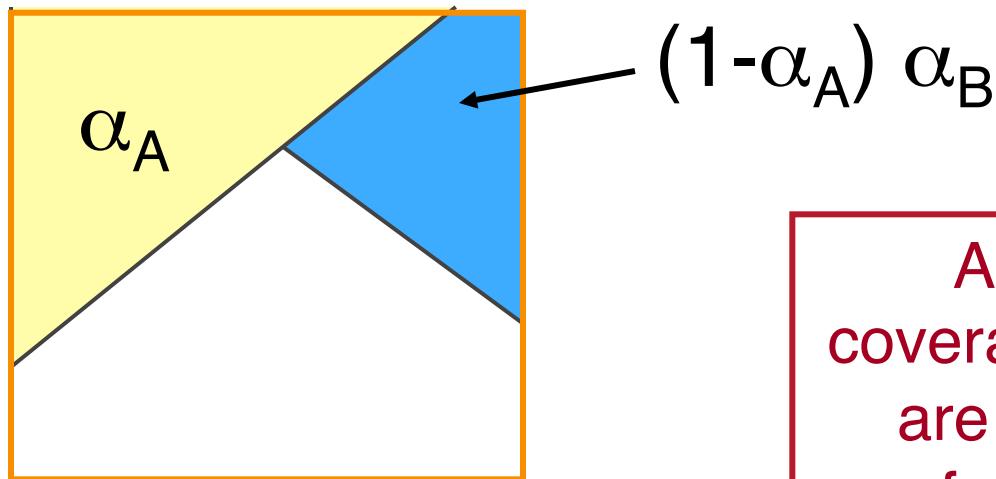
B atop A



A xor B

Blending with Alpha

- Example: $C = A \text{ Over } B$
 - $C' = \alpha_A A + (1 - \alpha_A) \alpha_B B$
 - $\alpha = \alpha_A + (1 - \alpha_A) \alpha_B$



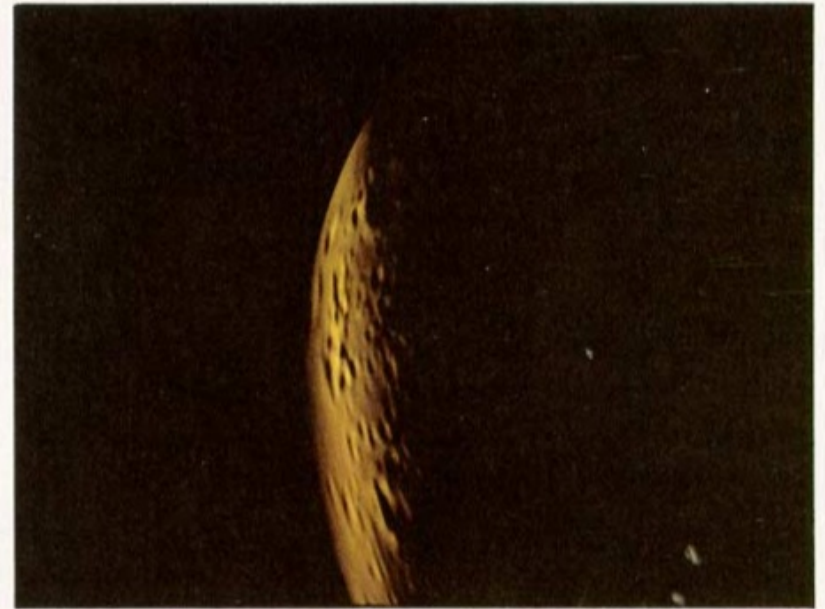
A over B

Assumption:
coverages of A and B
are uncorrelated
for each pixel

Image Composition Example



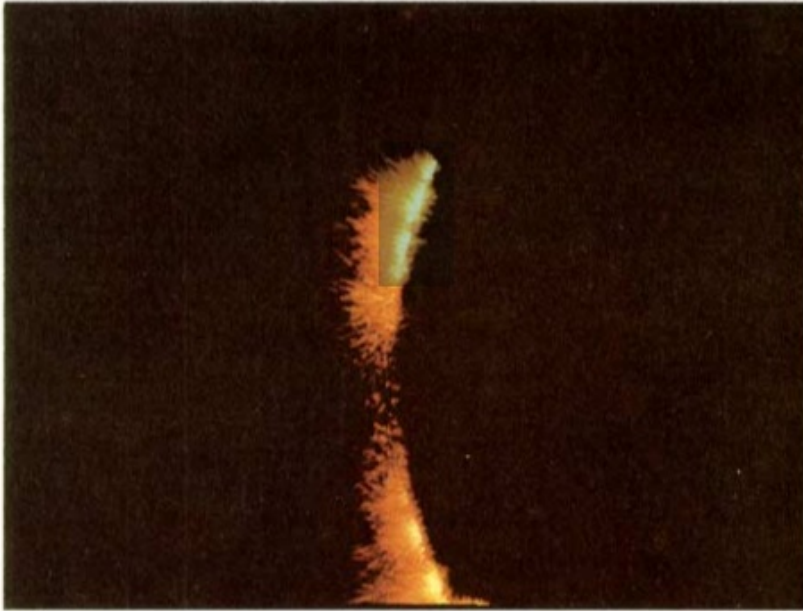
Stars



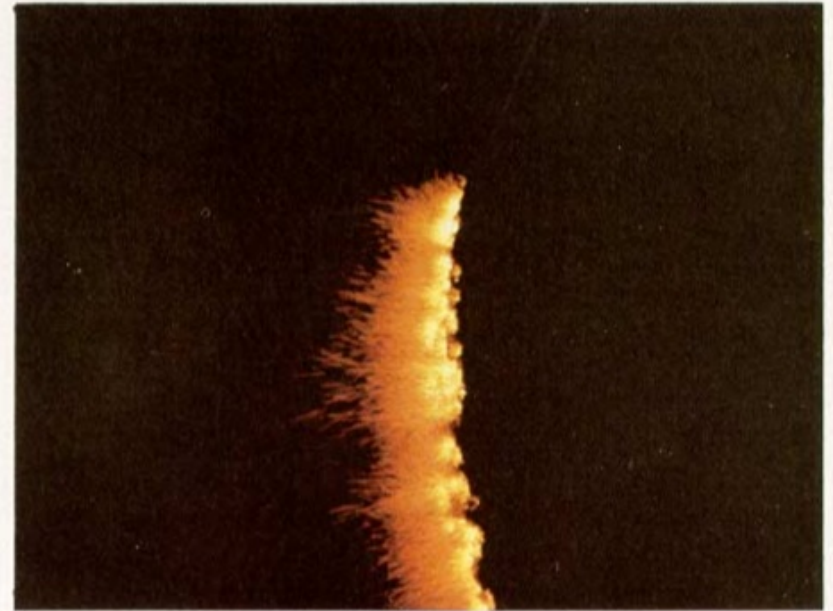
Planet

[Porter&Duff *Computer Graphics* 18:3 1984]

Image Composition Example



BFire



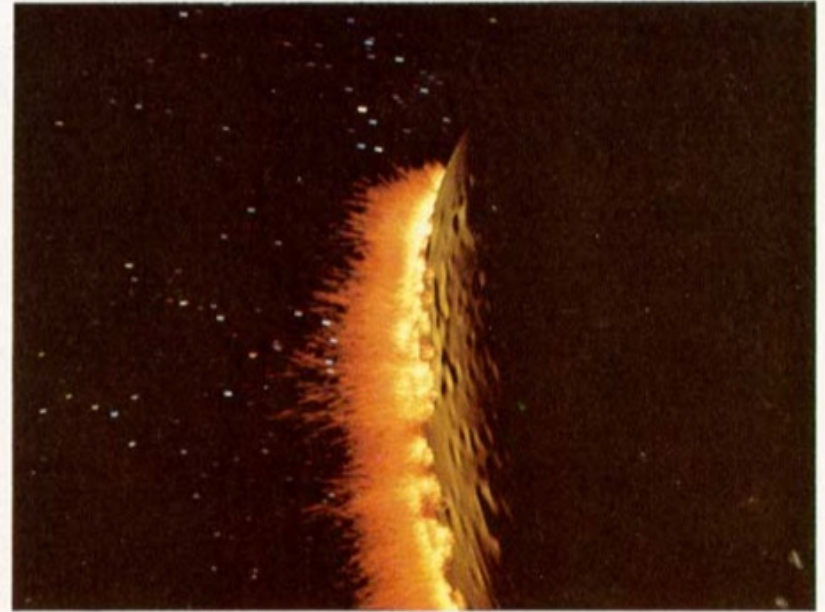
FFire

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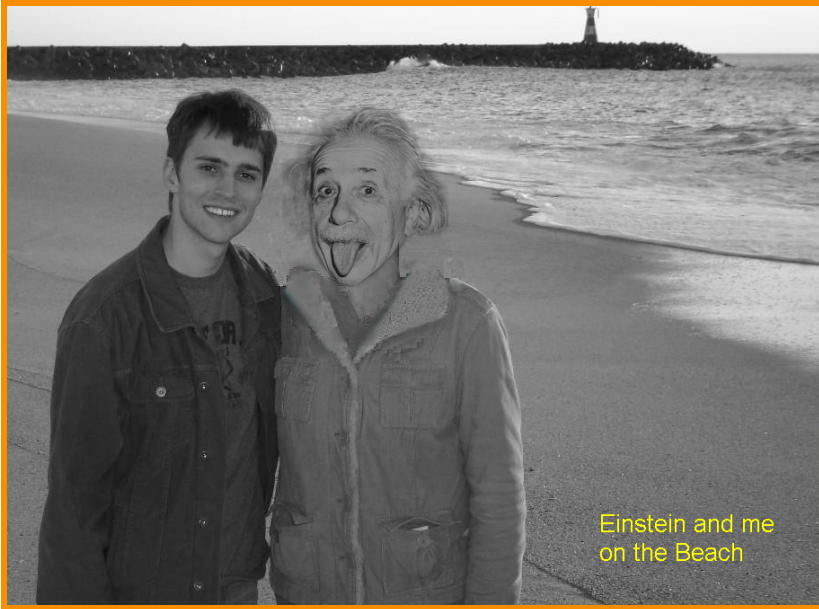
BFire out Planet



Composite

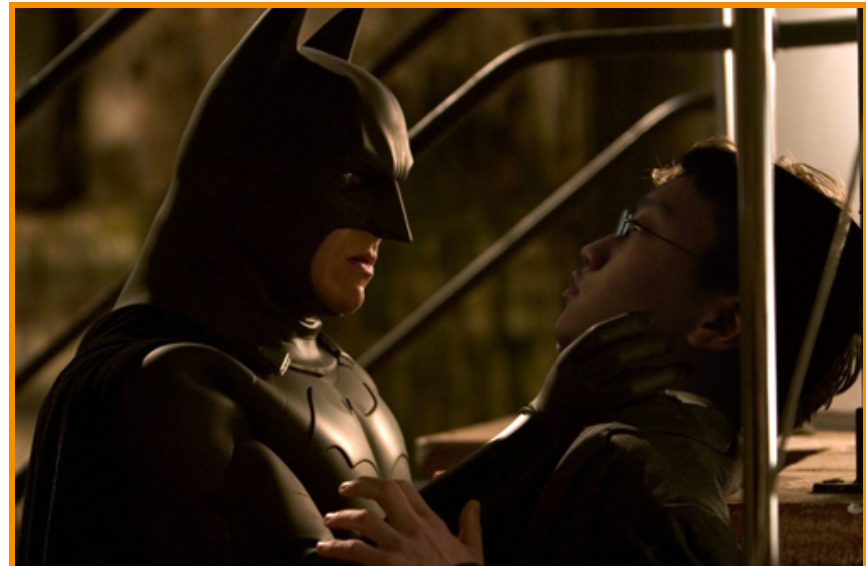
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COS426 Examples



Darin Sleiter

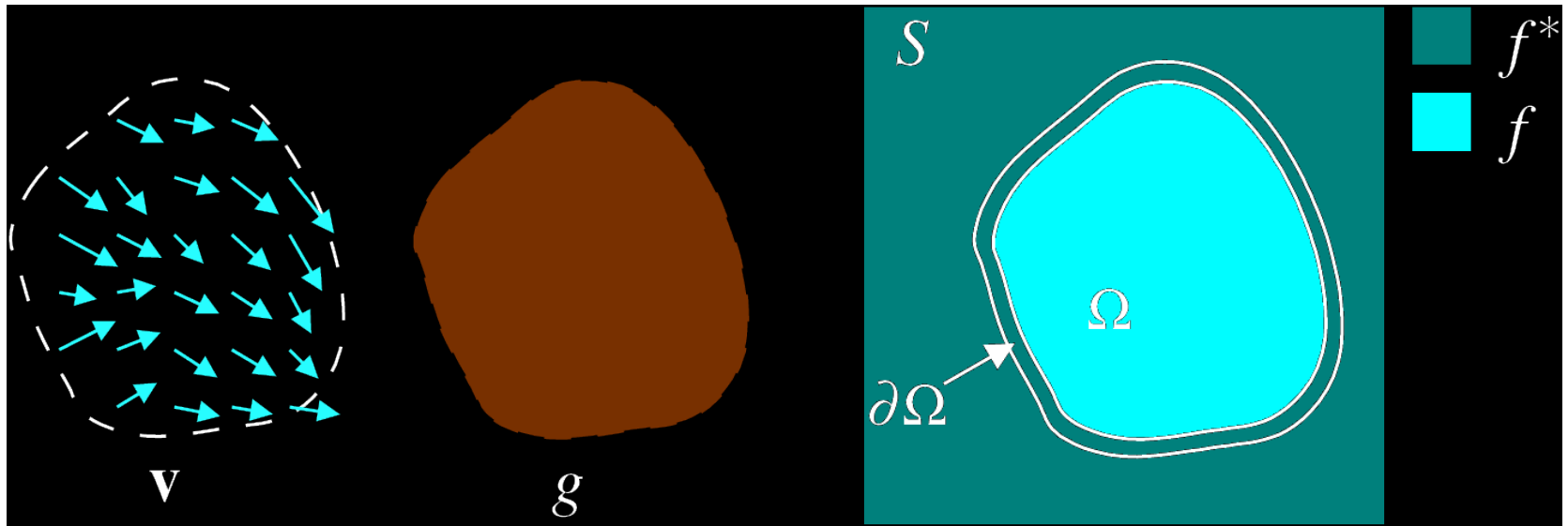
Kenrick Kin



Poisson Image Blending

Beyond simple compositing

- Solve for image samples that follow gradients of source subject to boundary conditions imposed by dest

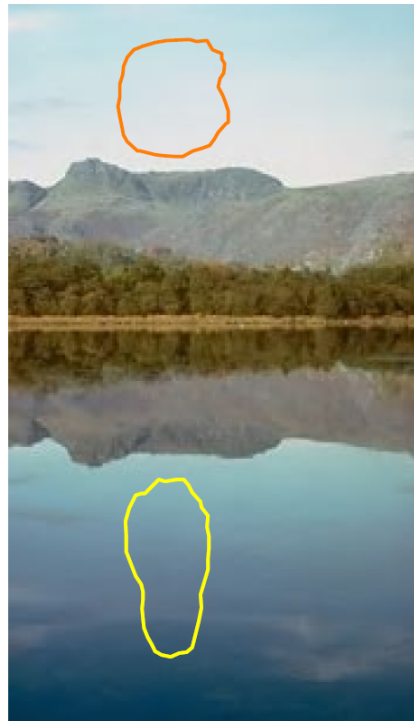


$$\begin{cases} \nabla^2 f = \nabla \cdot \mathbf{v} \\ f|_{\partial\Omega} = f^*|_{\partial\Omega} \end{cases}$$

Poisson Image Blending



sources



destinations



cloning



seamless cloning

Poisson Image Blending



source/destination



cloning



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<http://www.csie.ntu.edu.tw/~r00944002/CPHW2/result.htm>



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Image Morphing



- Animate transition between two images



(a)



(b)



(c)

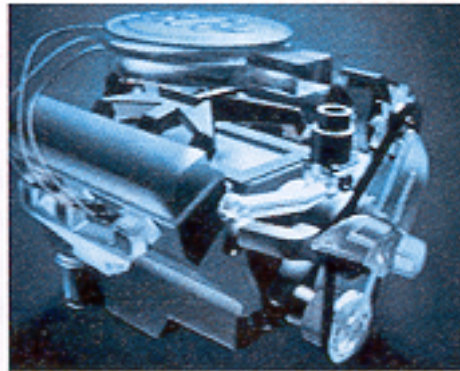
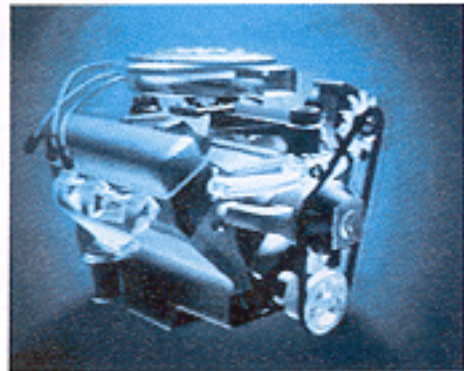


Figure 16-9

Transformation of an STP oil can into an engine block. (Courtesy of Silicon Graphics, Inc.)

Cross-Dissolving

- Blend images with “over” operator
 - alpha of bottom image is 1.0
 - alpha of top image varies from 0.0 to 1.0

$$\text{blend}(i,j) = (1-t) \text{src}(i,j) + t \text{dst}(i,j) \quad (0 \leq t \leq 1)$$

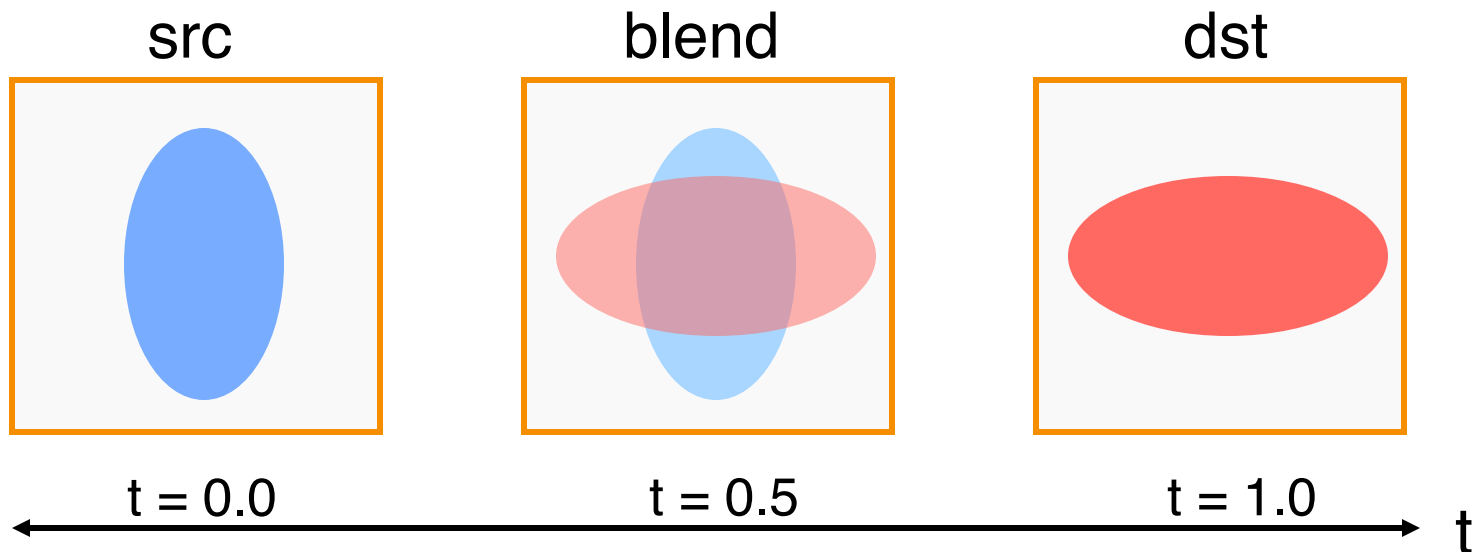
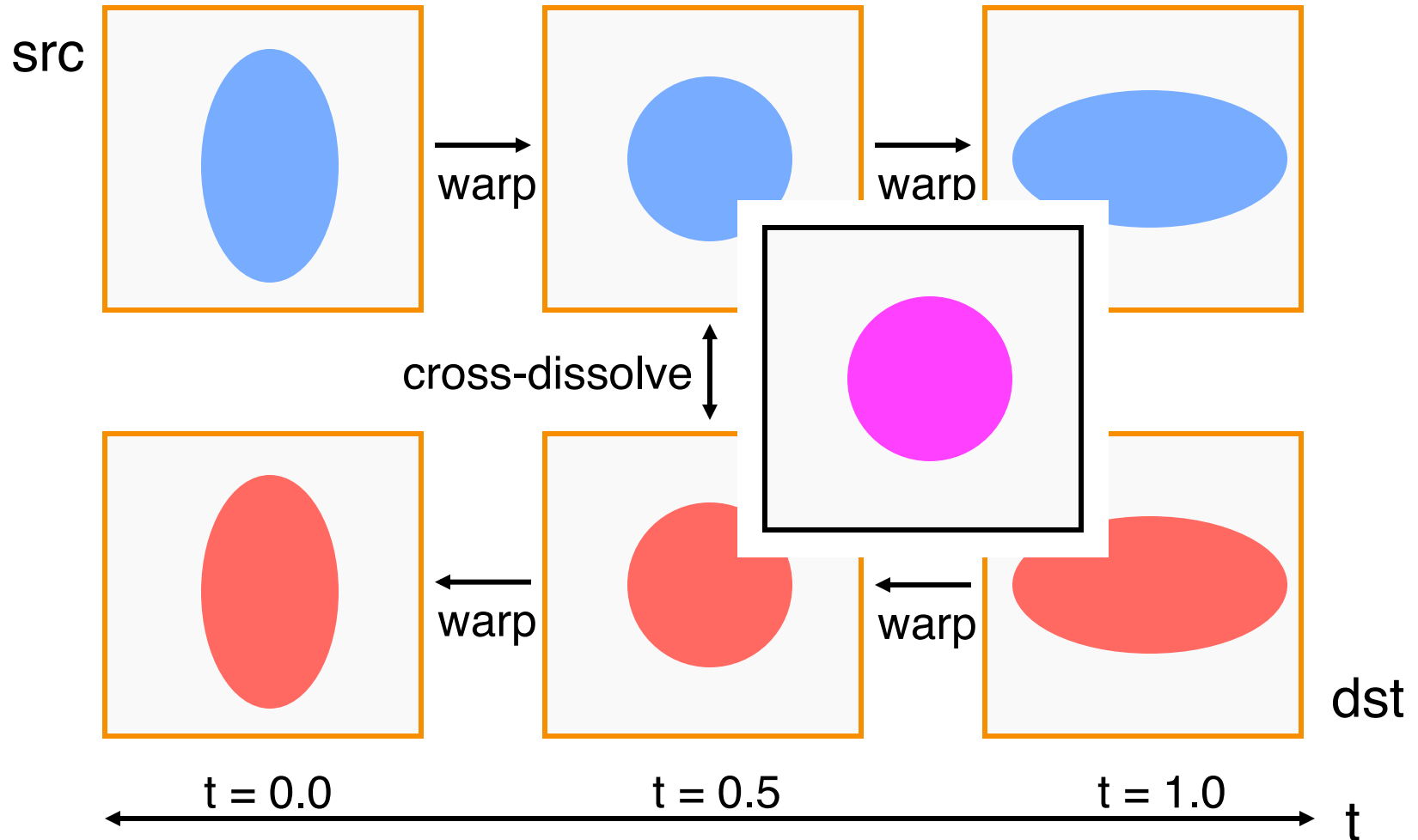


Image Morphing



- Combines warping and cross-dissolving



Beier & Neeley Example



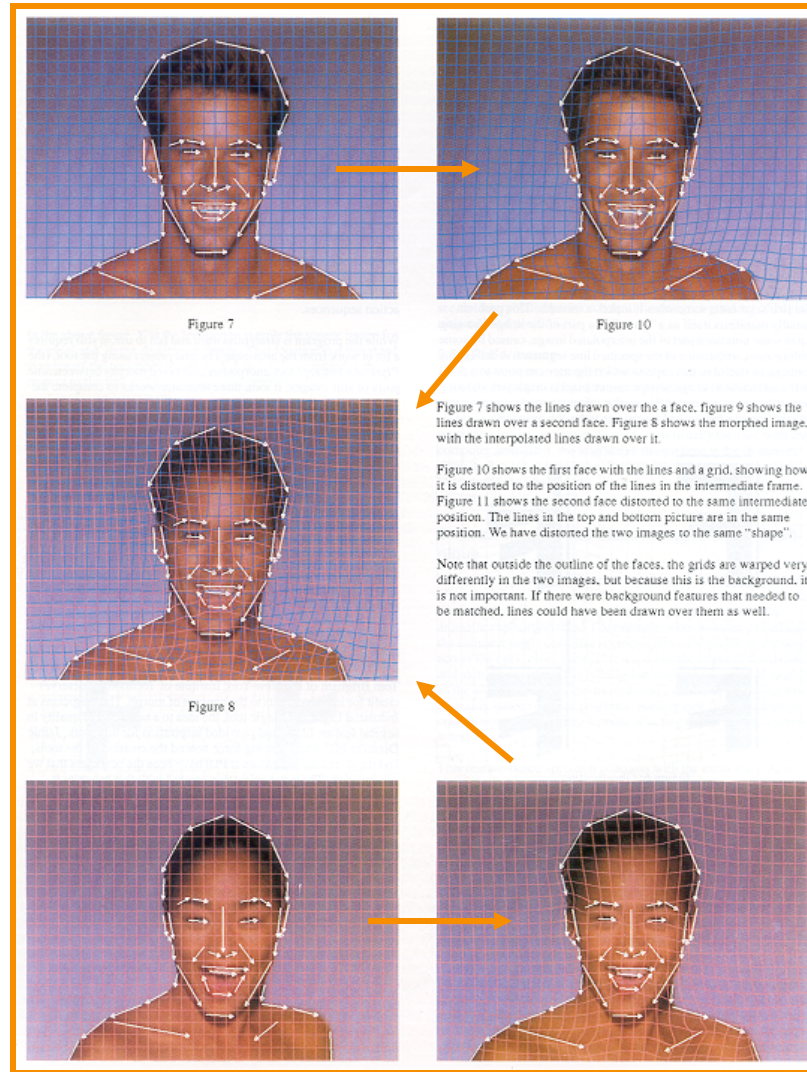
Image₀

Warp₀

Result

Image₁

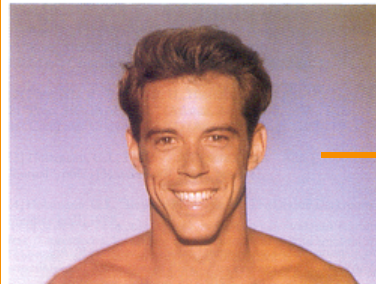
Warp₁



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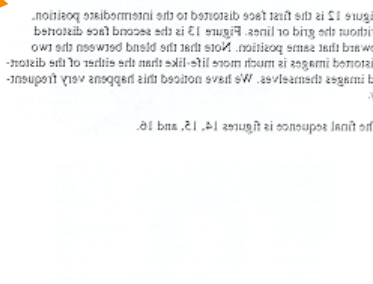


Image₀

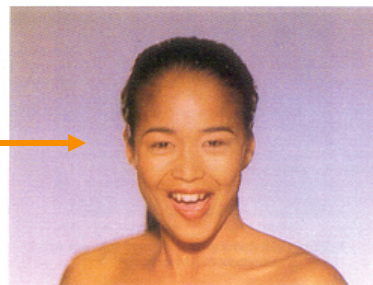


Warp₀

Result



Image₁



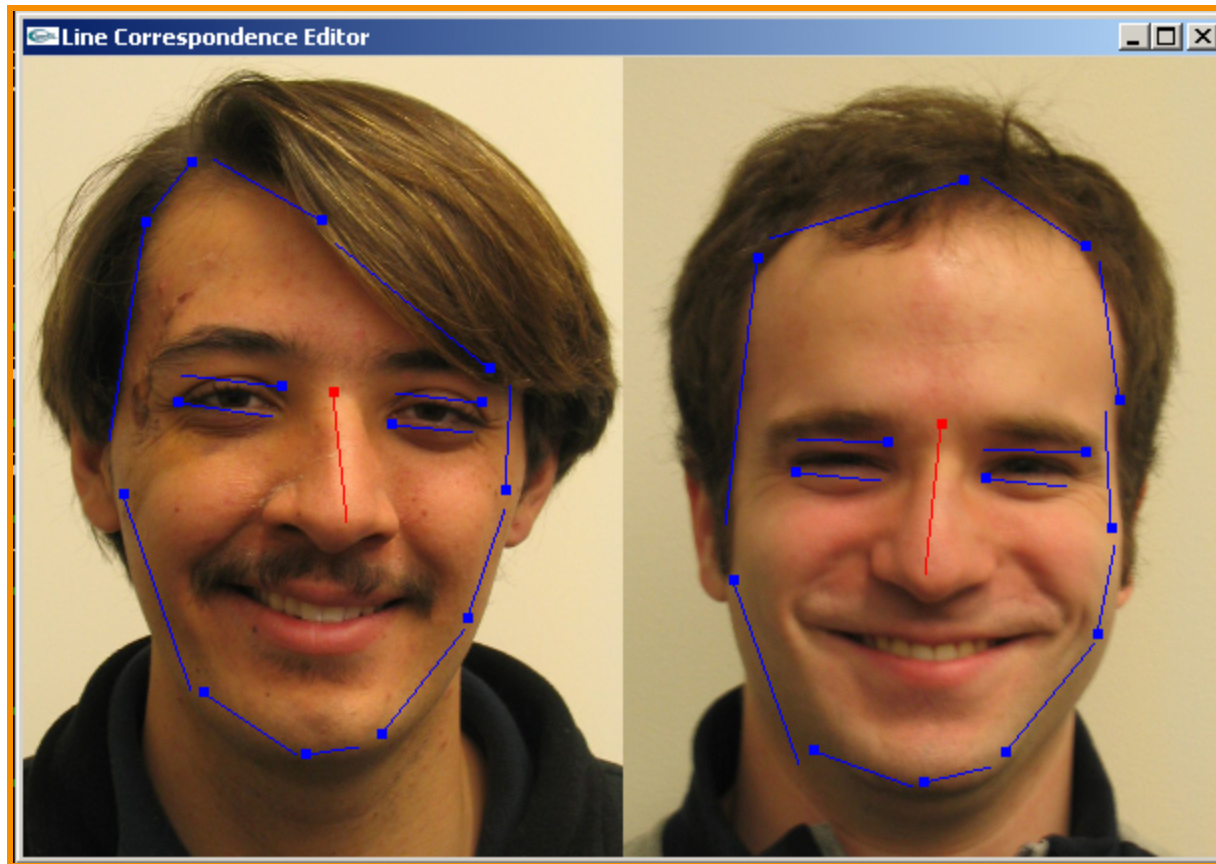
Warp₁

The final sequence is figures 14, 13, and 12.
Figure 13 is the first face distorted to the intermediate position without the grid or lines. Figure 12 is the second face distorted toward that same position. Note that the grid between the two distorted images is much more like the lines of the distorted images themselves. We have noticed this happens very frequently.

Line Correspondence Mappings

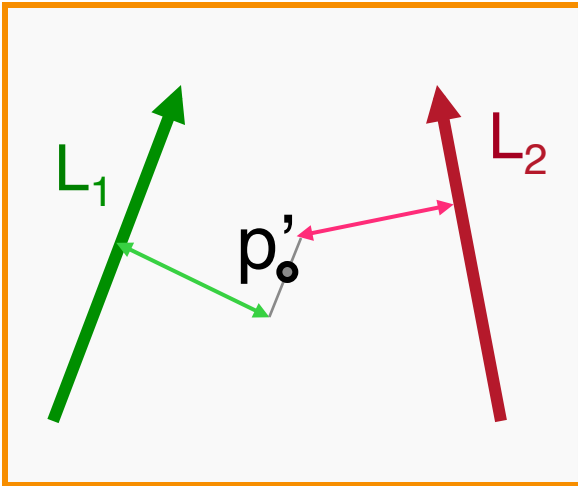


- Beier & Neeley use pairs of lines to specify warp



Warping Pseudocode

```
WarpImage(Image, L' [...], L [...])  
begin  
  foreach destination pixel p do  
    psum = (0,0)  
    wsum = 0  
    foreach line L[i] in destination do  
      p'[i] = p transformed by (L[i], L'[i])  
      psum = psum + p'[i] * weight[i]  
      wsum += weight[i]  
    end  
    p' = psum / wsum  
    Result(p) = Resample(p')  
  end  
end
```





Morphing Pseudocode

```
GenerateAnimation(Image0, L0[...], Image1, L1[...])
begin
    foreach intermediate frame time t do
        for i = 1 to number of line pairs do
            L[i] = line t-th of the way from L0 [i] to L1 [i]
        end
        Warp0 = WarpImage(Image0, L0, L)
        Warp1 = WarpImage(Image1, L1, L)
        foreach pixel p in FinalImage do
            Result(p) = (1-t) Warp0 + t Warp1
        end
    end
end
```

COS426 Example



Amy Ousterhout

Image Composition Applications



- *Computational photography:*
enable new photographic effects that inherently use multiple images + computation
- Example: stitching images into a panorama



[Michael Cohen]

Image Composition Applications



- Photo montage

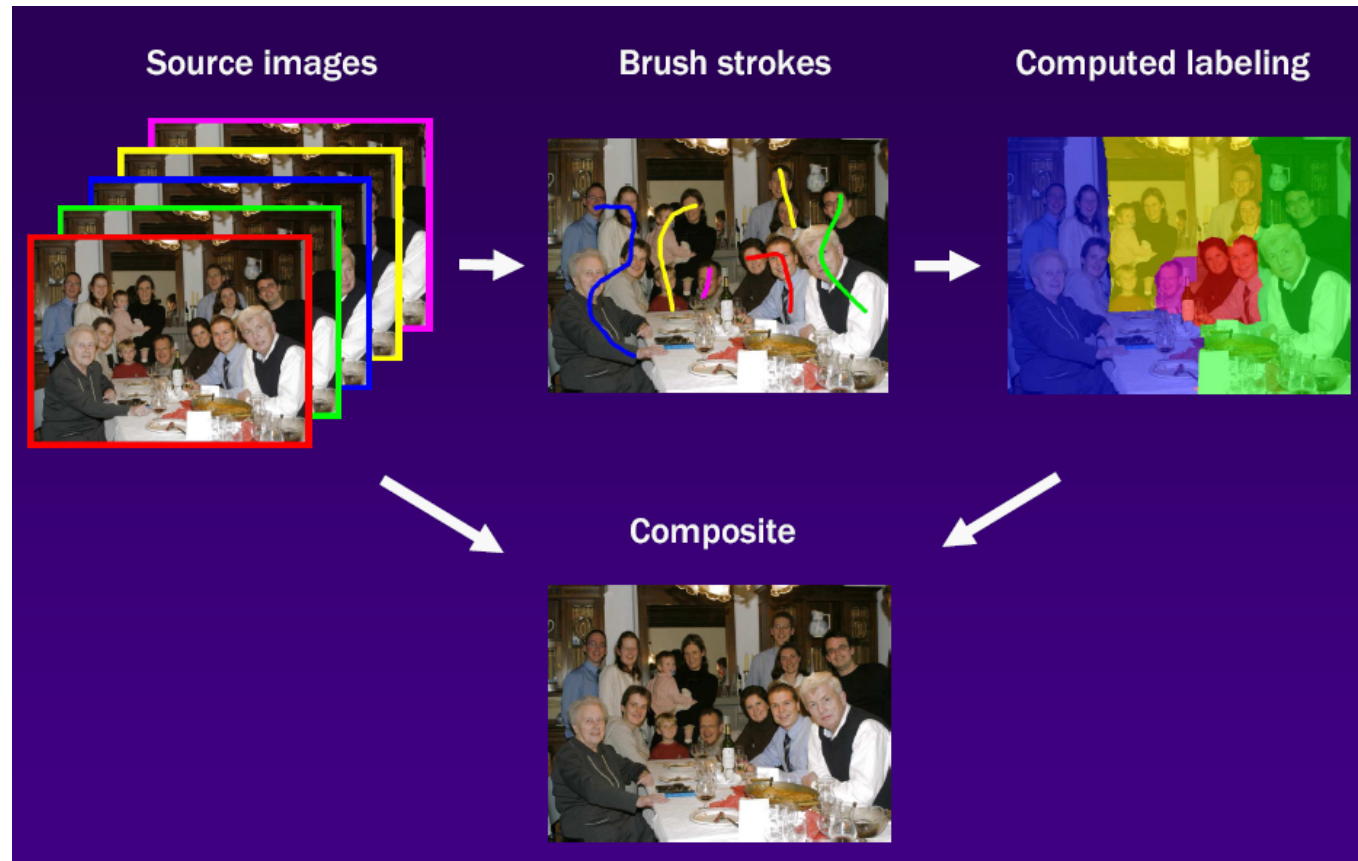


Image Composition Applications



- Photo montage



[Michael Cohen]

Image Composition Applications



- Removing people

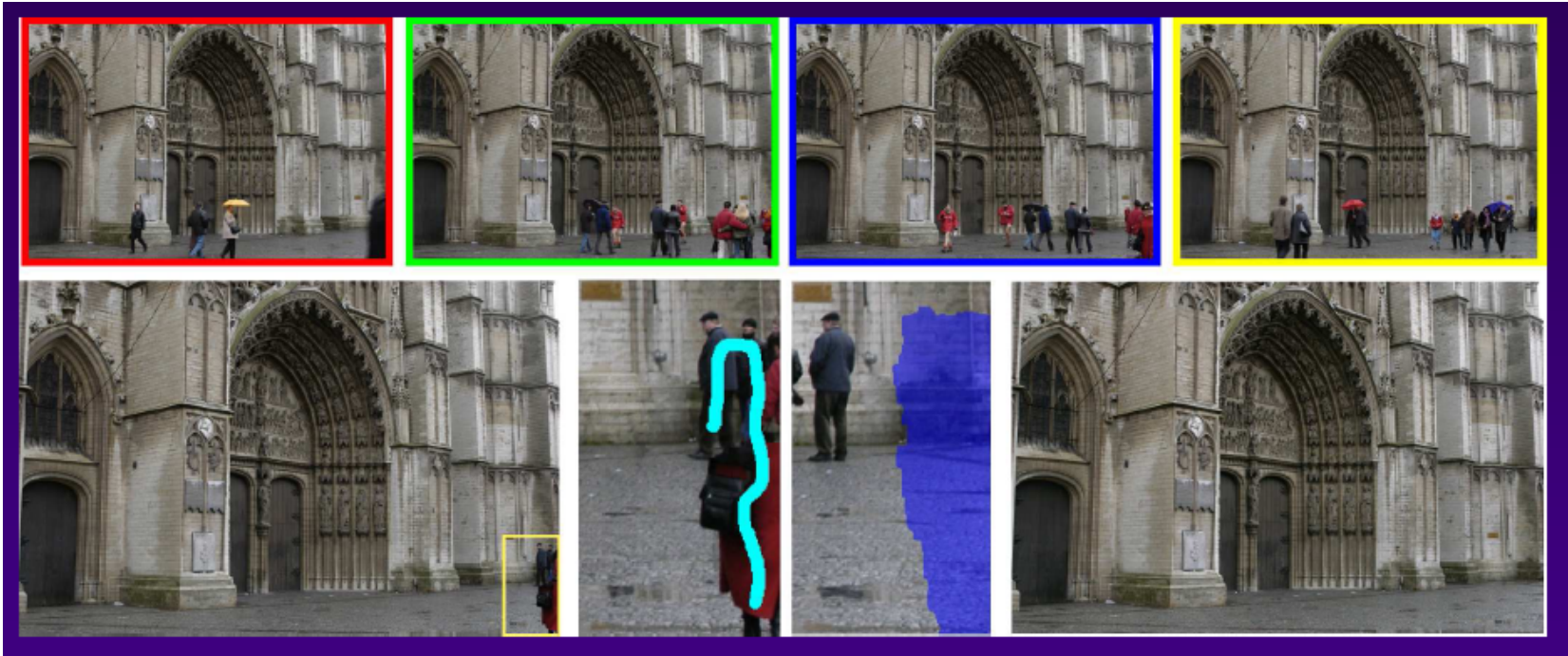


Image Composition Applications



- Stoboscopic images



[Michael Cohen]

Image Composition Applications



- Extended depth-of-field



[Michael Cohen]

Image Composition Applications



- Flash / No flash

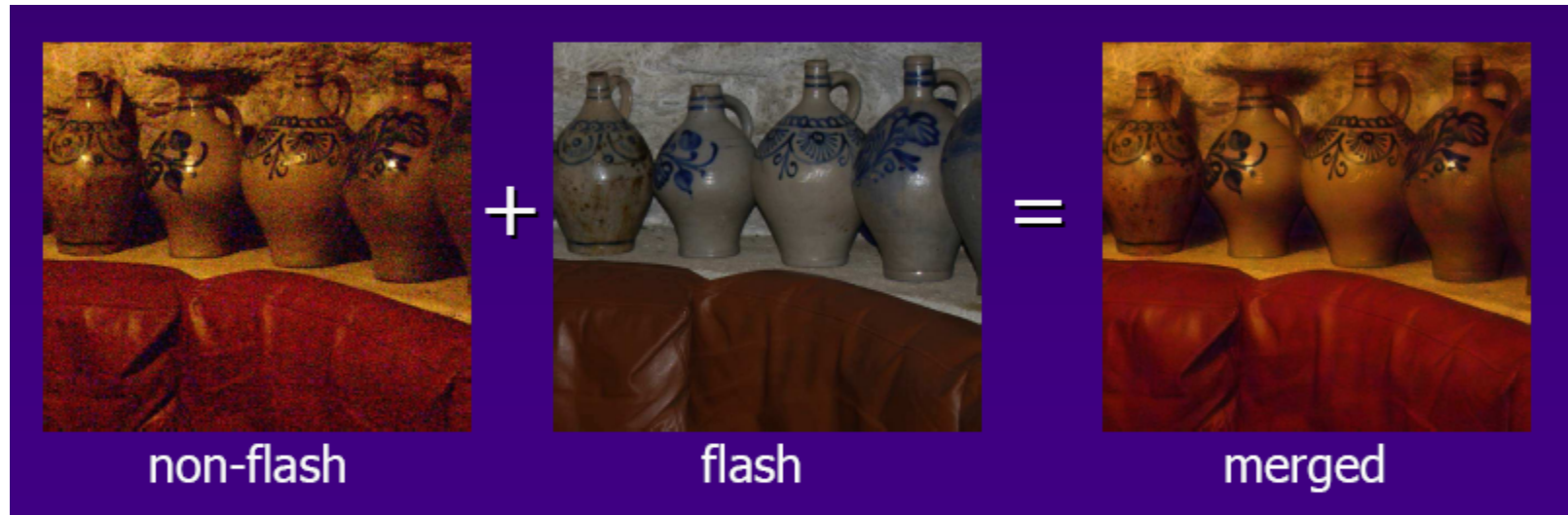
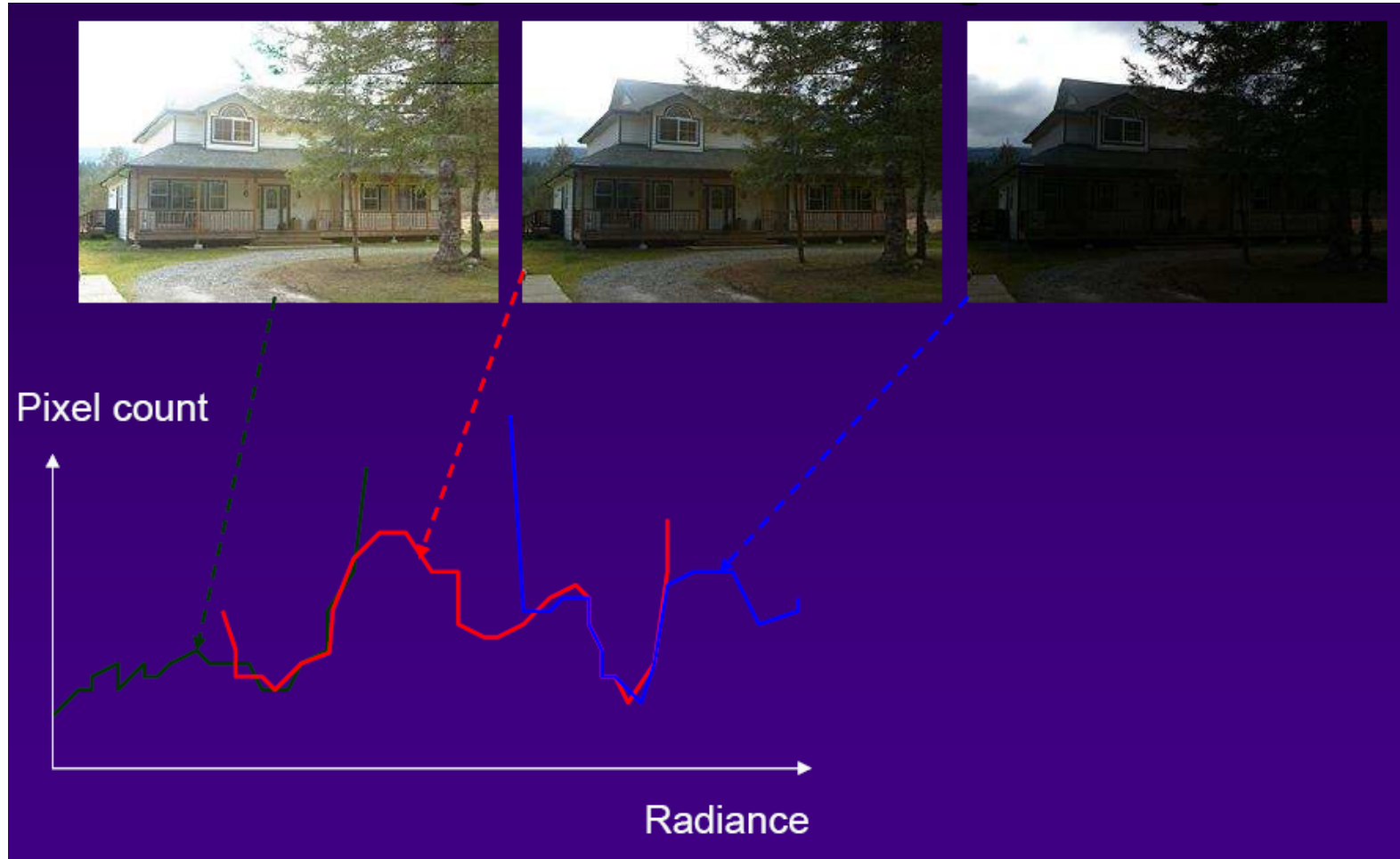


Image Composition Applications



- High dynamic range images



[Michael Cohen]

Image Composition Applications



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Pixel count

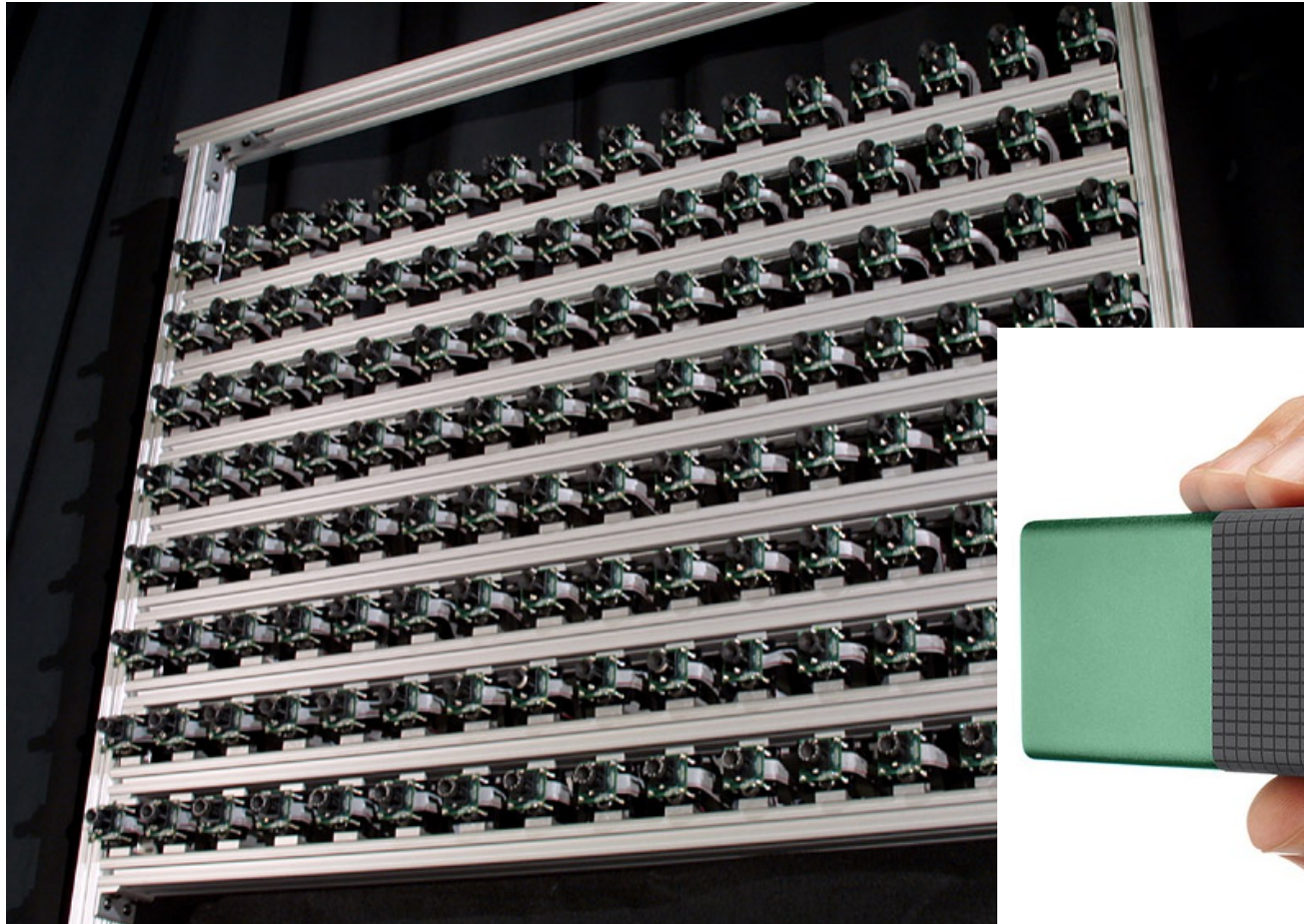


Radiance

Image Composition Applications



- Multi-camera array



lytro.com



[Marc Levoy]

Summary



- Image compositing
 - Alpha channel
 - Porter-Duff compositing algebra
- Image morphing
 - Warping
 - Compositing
- Computational photography

Next Time: 3D Modeling



Hoppe