

Image Analysis - Motivation

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Dung beetle inspires night vision



- 1. Noise reduction
- 2. Anisotropic filtering
- 3. Application: low light video enhancement
- 4. Block matching and collaborative filtering
- 5. Deep learning architectures for image processing
- 6. Application: low light image processing using learning

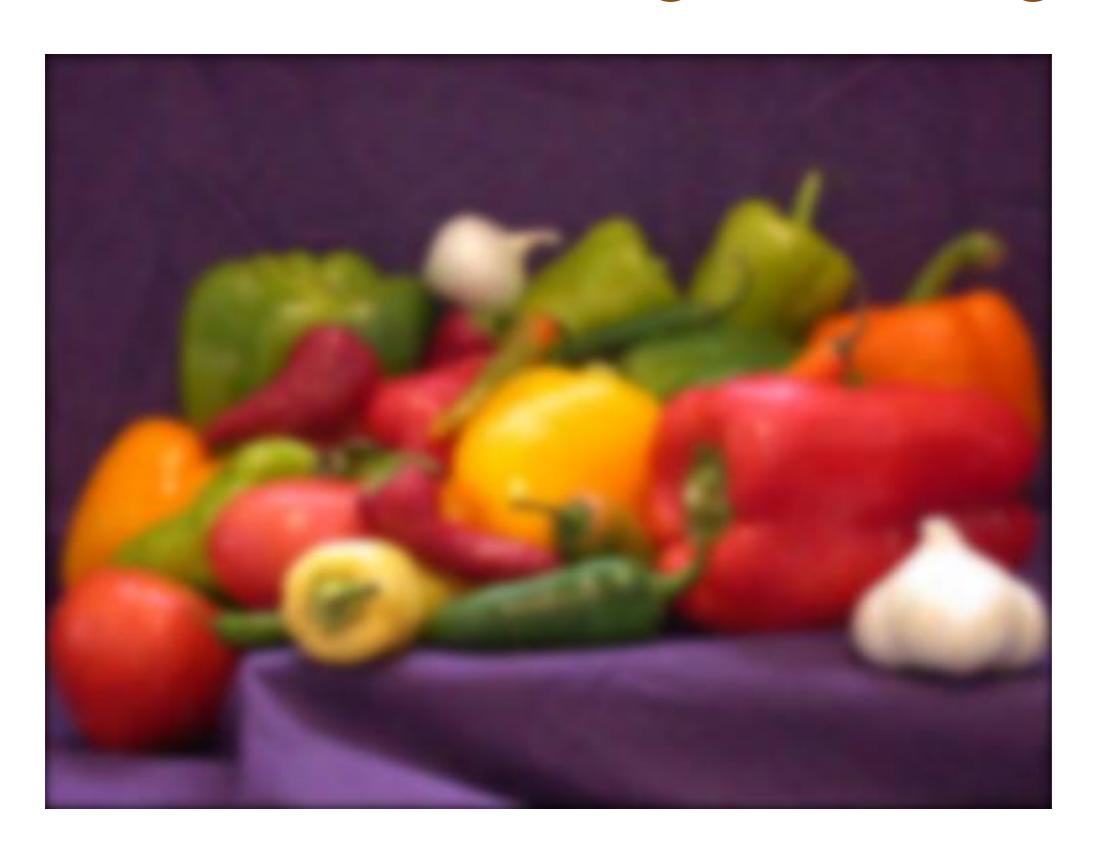
Noisy image



Gaussian smoothing



Gaussian smoothing - blurs edges!



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Structure/Orientation Tensor

Construct the matrix

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} W_{xx} & W_{xy} \\ W_{xy} & W_{yy} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x})^2 * G_b & (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}) * G_b \\ (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} \frac{\partial f}{\partial y}) * G_b & (\frac{\partial f}{\partial y})^2 * G_b \end{bmatrix},$$

where G_b denotes the Gaussian function with parameter b. M - orientation tensor.

Note: We construct a matrix for every pixel.

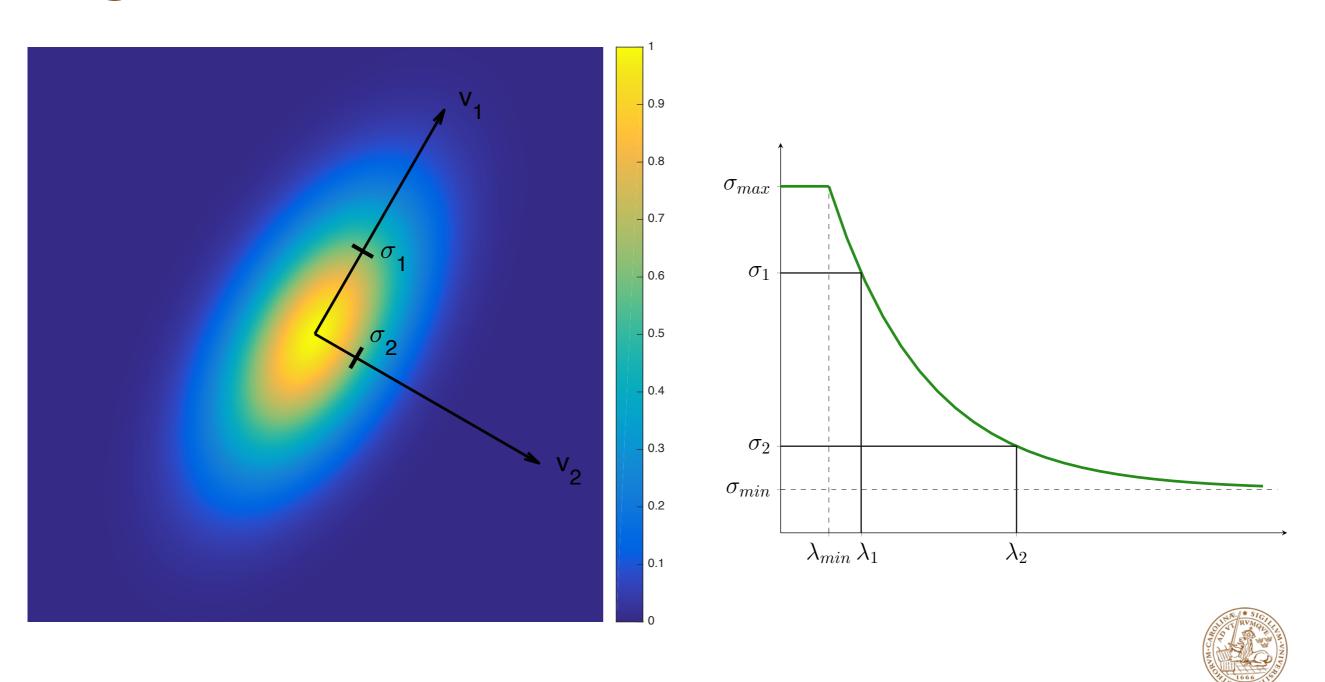
Structure Tensor

The matrix *M* has the following properties:

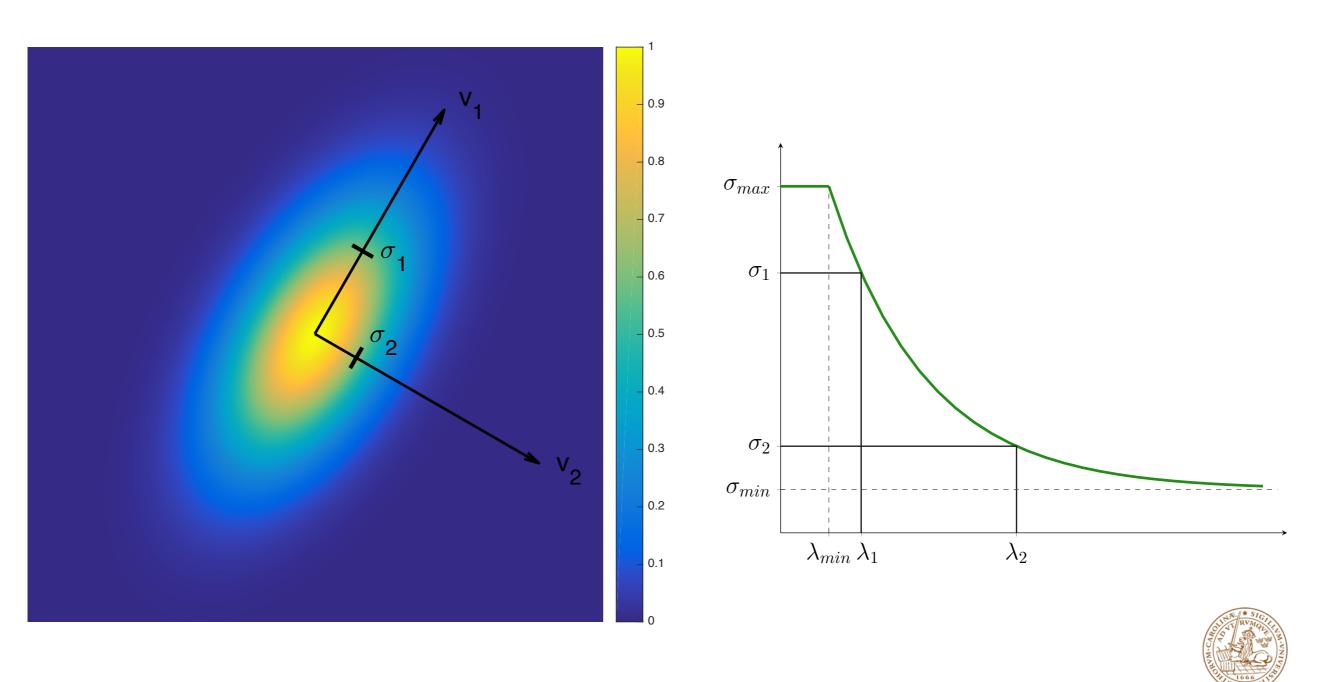
- (Flat) Two small eigenvalues in a region flat intensity.
- (Flow) One large and one small eigenvalue edges and flow regions.
- (Texture) Two large eigenvalues corners, interest points, texture regions.

This can be used in algorithms for segmenting the image into (flat, flow, texture).

Rotate Gaussian kernels using eigenvectors of the structure tensor



Scale Gaussian kernels using a function of the eigenvalues of the structure tensor



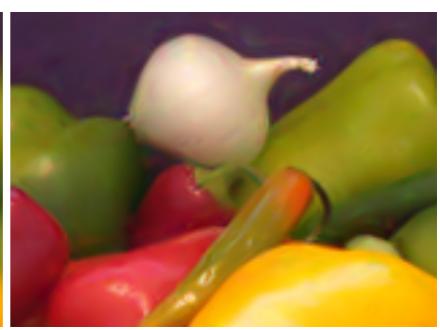
Structure adaptive smoothing



Close-up comparison







Noisy input

Gaussian

Structure adaptive

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Low light enhancement

- Amplify signal using eg scaling or histogram equalization Introduces noise
- 2. Anisotropic filtering of noise

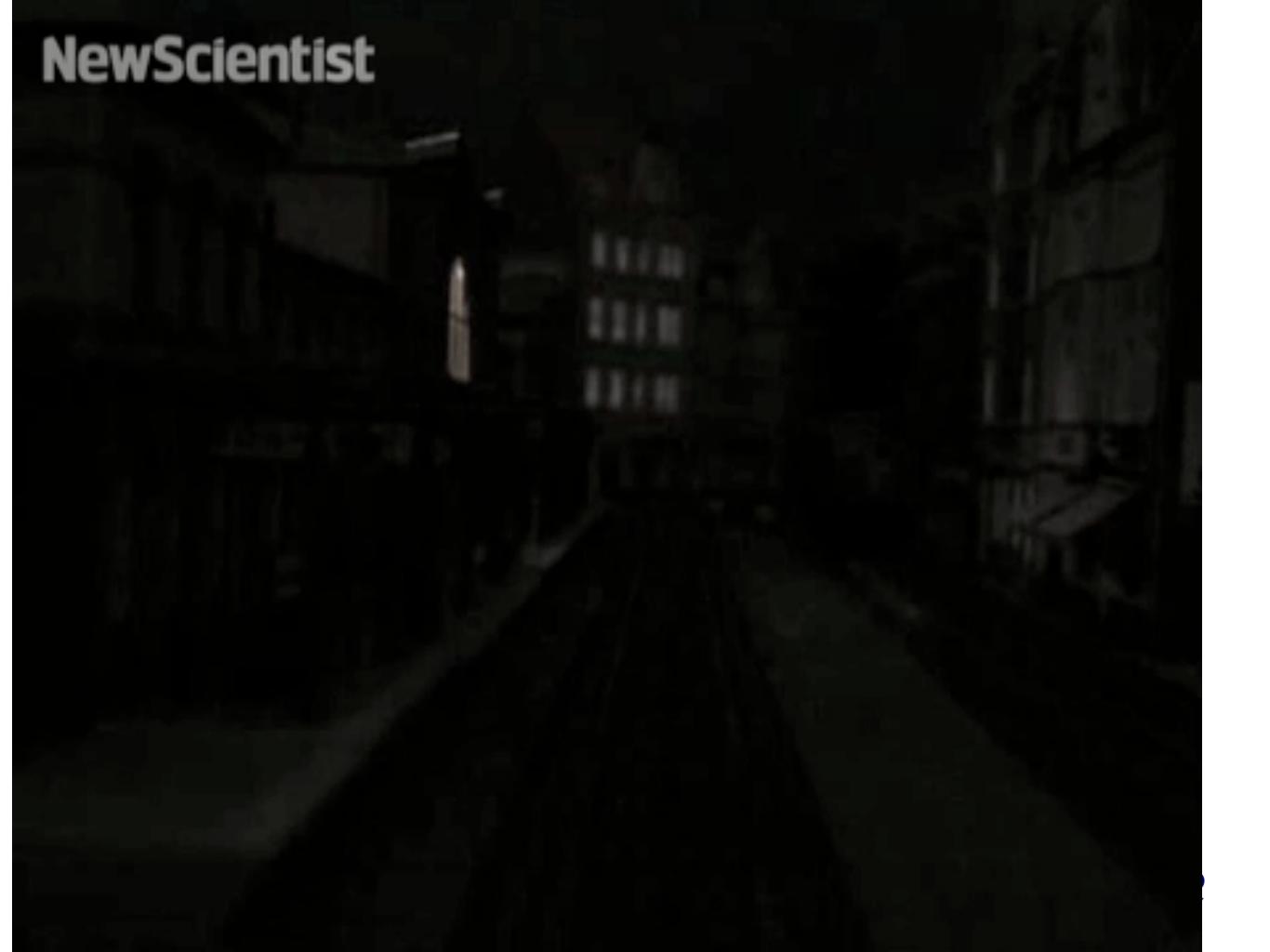




Low light video enhancement

ADAPTIVE ENHANCEMENT AND NOISE REDUCTION IN VERY LOW LIGHT-LEVEL VIDEO

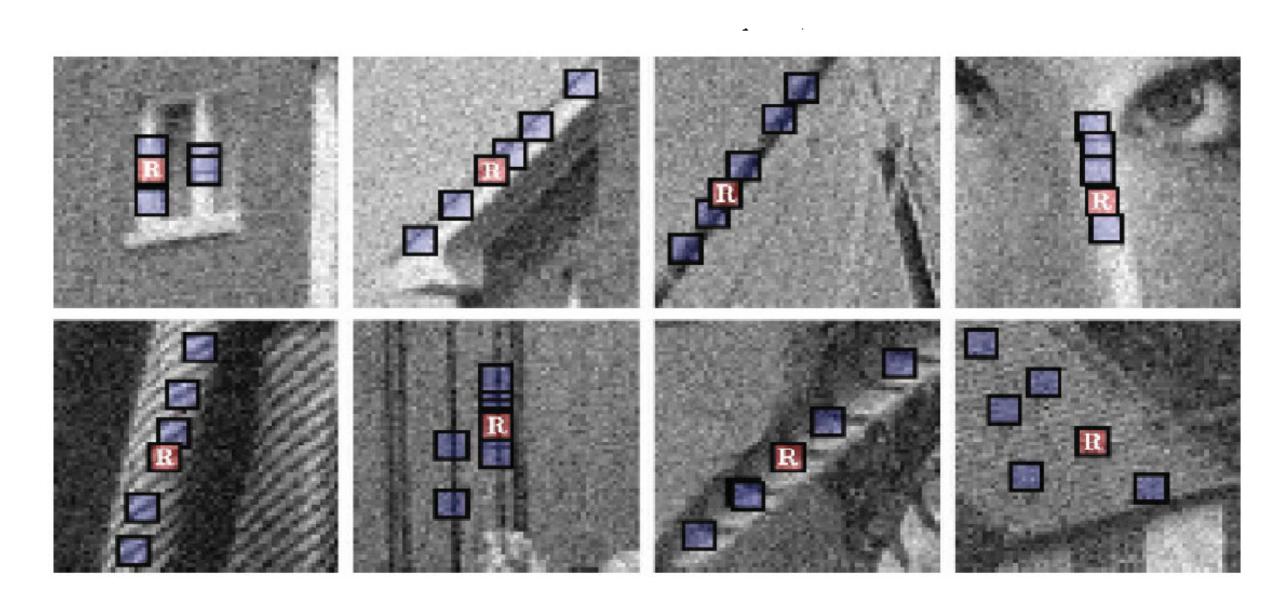




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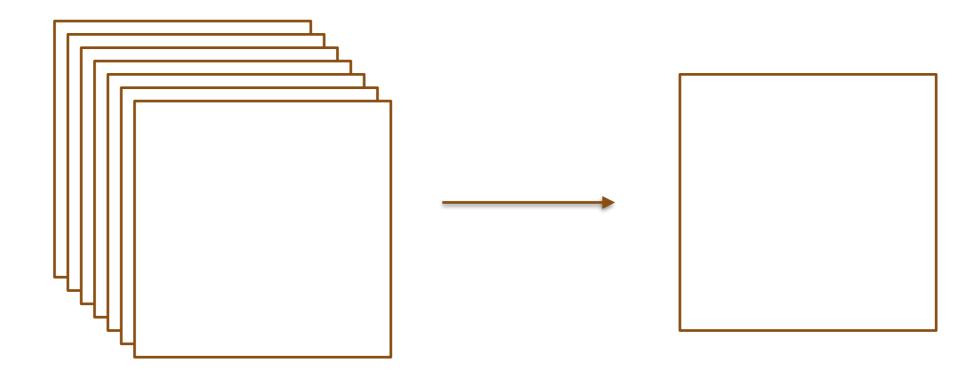
Block matching

many structures are repeated at multiple locations in an image



Collaborative filtering

Do hard filtering on each set of similar matched blocks



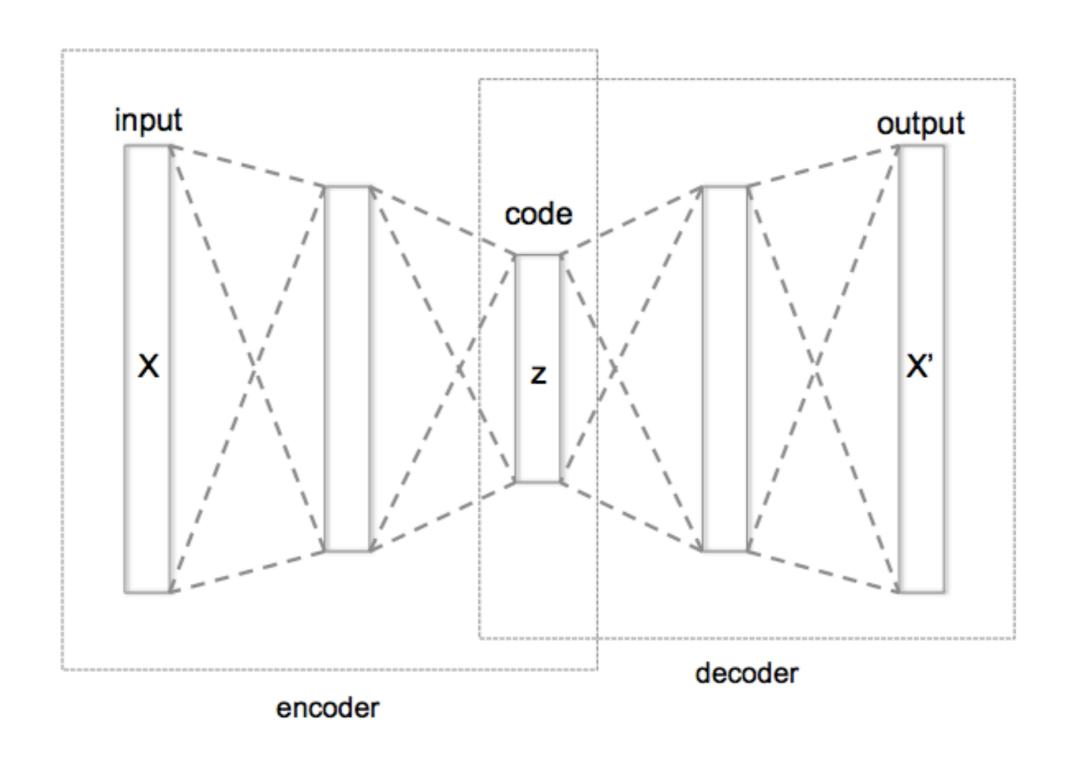
BM3D

Uses two pass version of block-matching and filtering

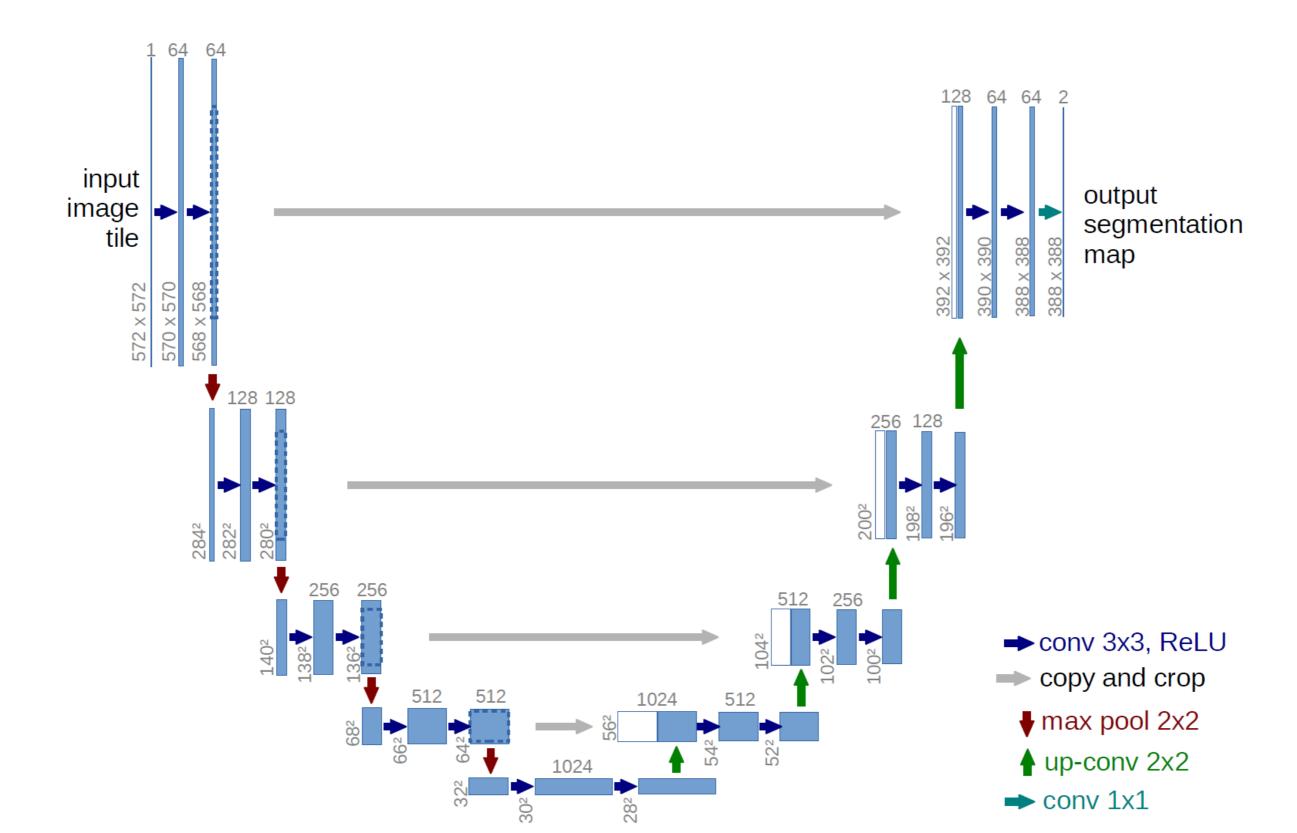


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Autoencoders



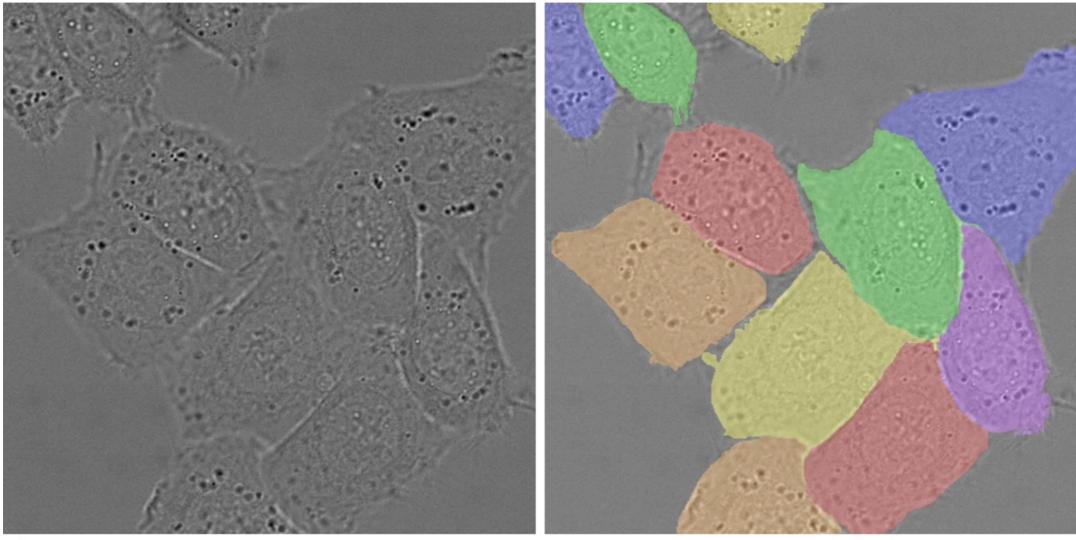
U-net



Segmentation using U-net

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Segmentation of Touching Objects of the Same Class



HeLa cells recorded with DIC microscopy

manual segmentation (colors: different instances)

[Data provided by Dr. Gert van Cappellen, Erasmus Medical Center. Rotterdam. The Netherlands]

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Low light image enhancement using a U-net

Results

Low light video enhancement using learning

Seeing Motion in the Dark

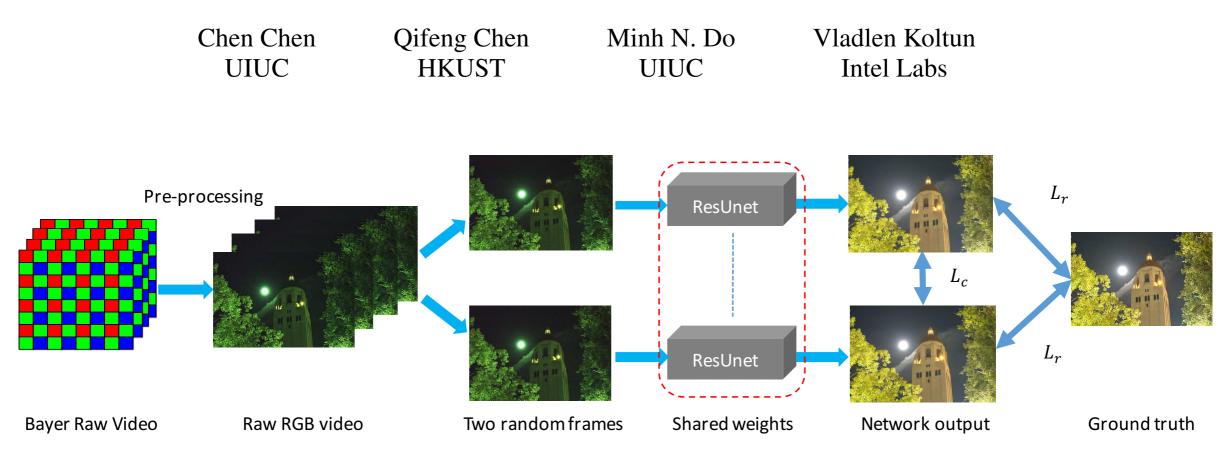
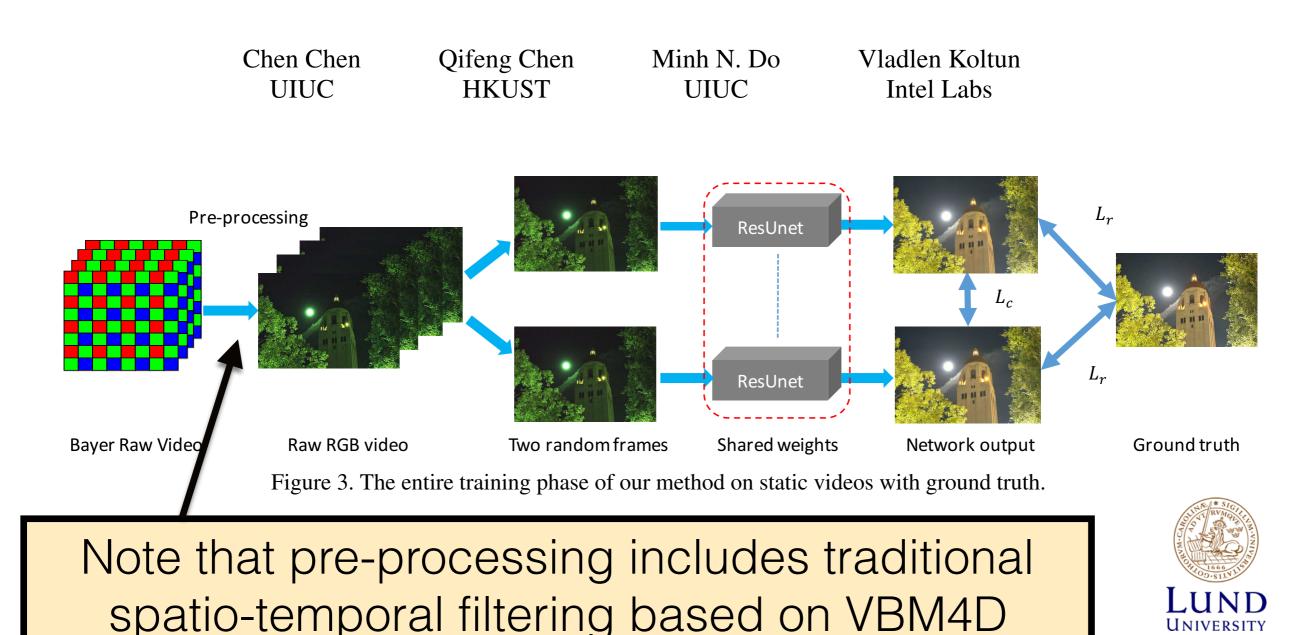


Figure 3. The entire training phase of our method on static videos with ground truth.



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Evaluating results of image processing without ground truth

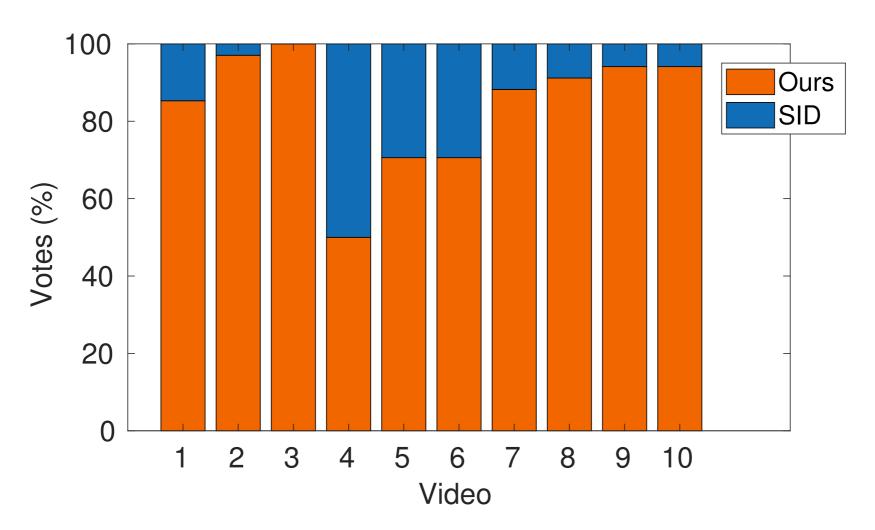


Figure 10. Perceptual experiment. Results of blind randomized A/B tests on 10 dynamic videos. The figure shows preferred percentage for each video.



