

# Online Video SEEDS



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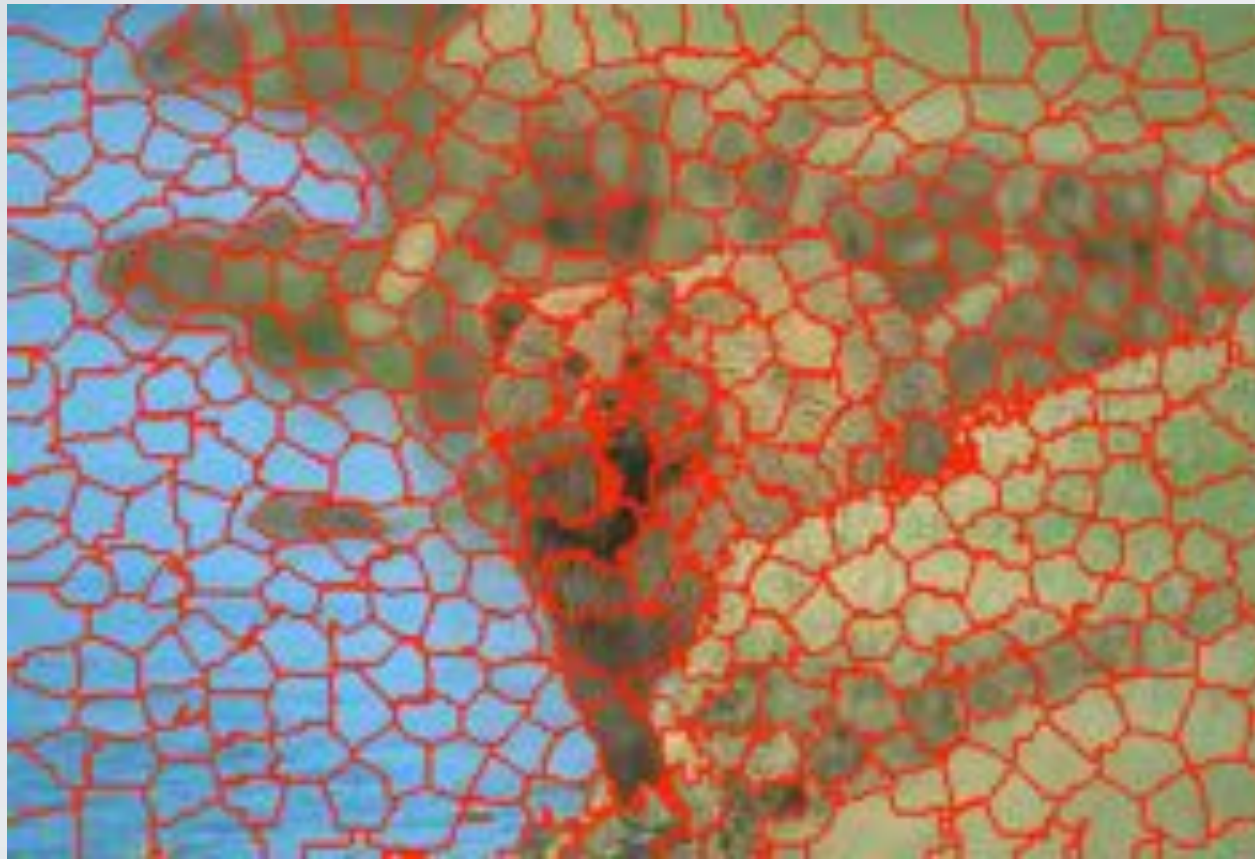
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**SEEDS**

Superpixels  
Extracted via  
Energy-  
Driven  
Sampling

ECCV 2012

# What are superpixels?



- grouping pixels based on similarity (color)
- speeds up segmentation
- objects are made up of a small number of superpixels

# Existing superpixel methods



gradual addition of cuts

- high accuracy
- very slow (contradictory)
- e.g. Entropy Rate Superpixels (Liu *et al.*)



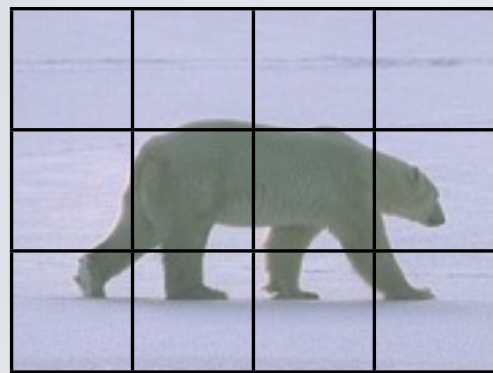
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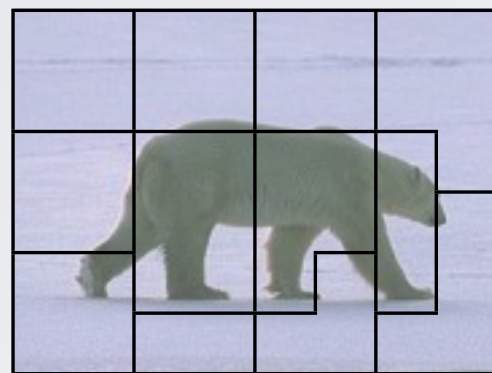
growing from centers

- faster
- reduced accuracy (local minima + stray labels)
- still not fast enough
- e.g. SLIC Superpixels (Achanta *et al.*)

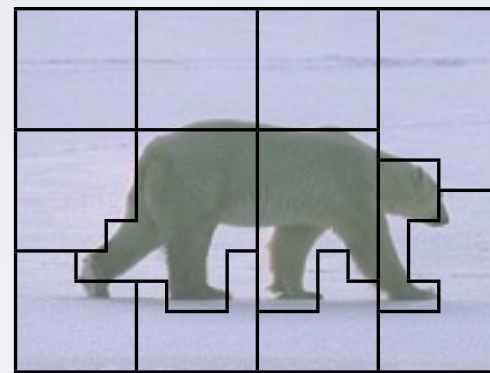
# new approach: SEEDS Superpixels



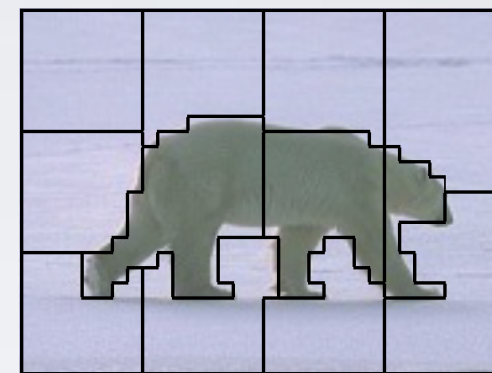
initalization



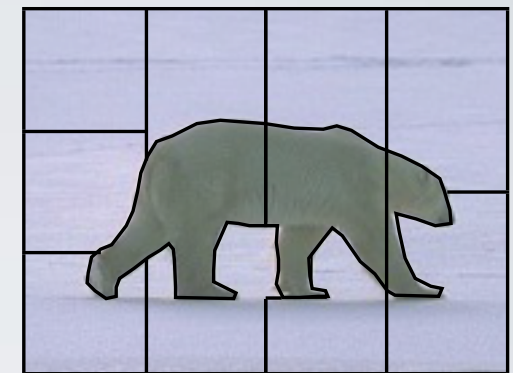
largest block update



medium block update



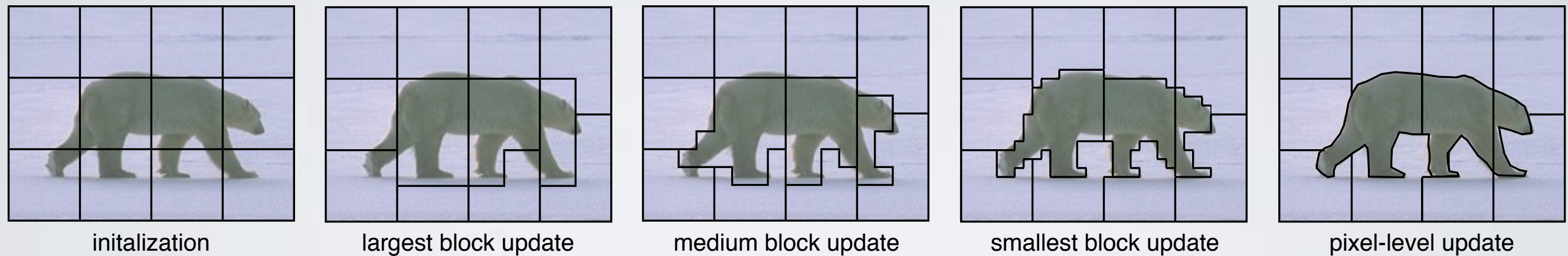
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pixel-level update

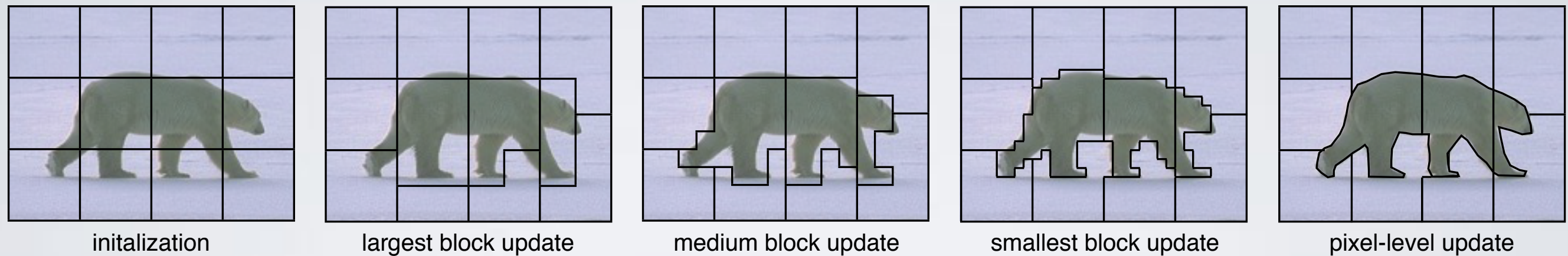
- initialize with rectangular boundaries
- gradually refine boundaries
- **SEEDS: Superpixels Extracted via Energy-driven Sampling** - ECCV 2012

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  - only needs to evaluate at the boundaries
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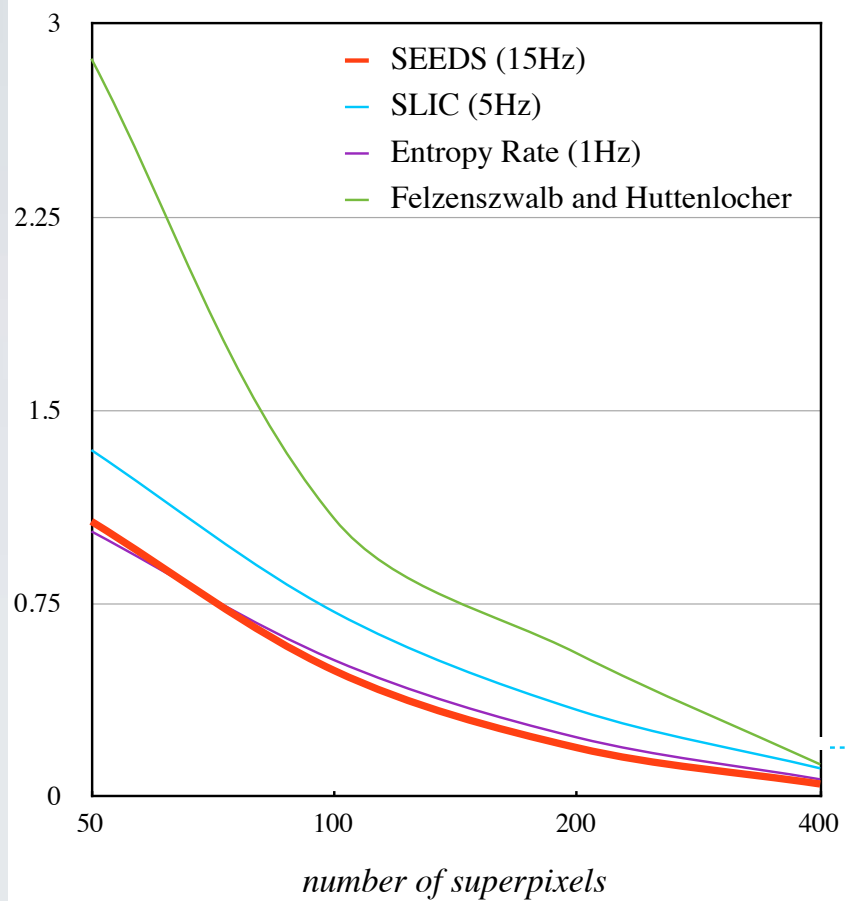


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  - highly efficient evaluation using color histograms
- accuracy matches or exceeds state-of-the-art
  - avoids local minima
  - optimization only evaluates valid partitionings

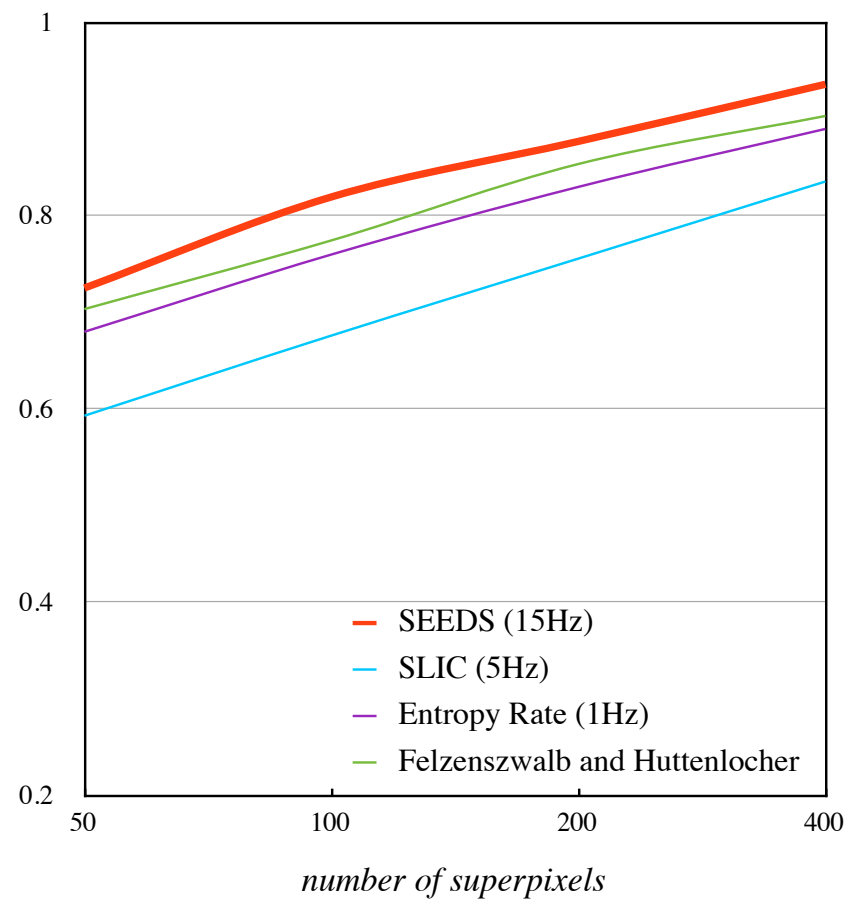


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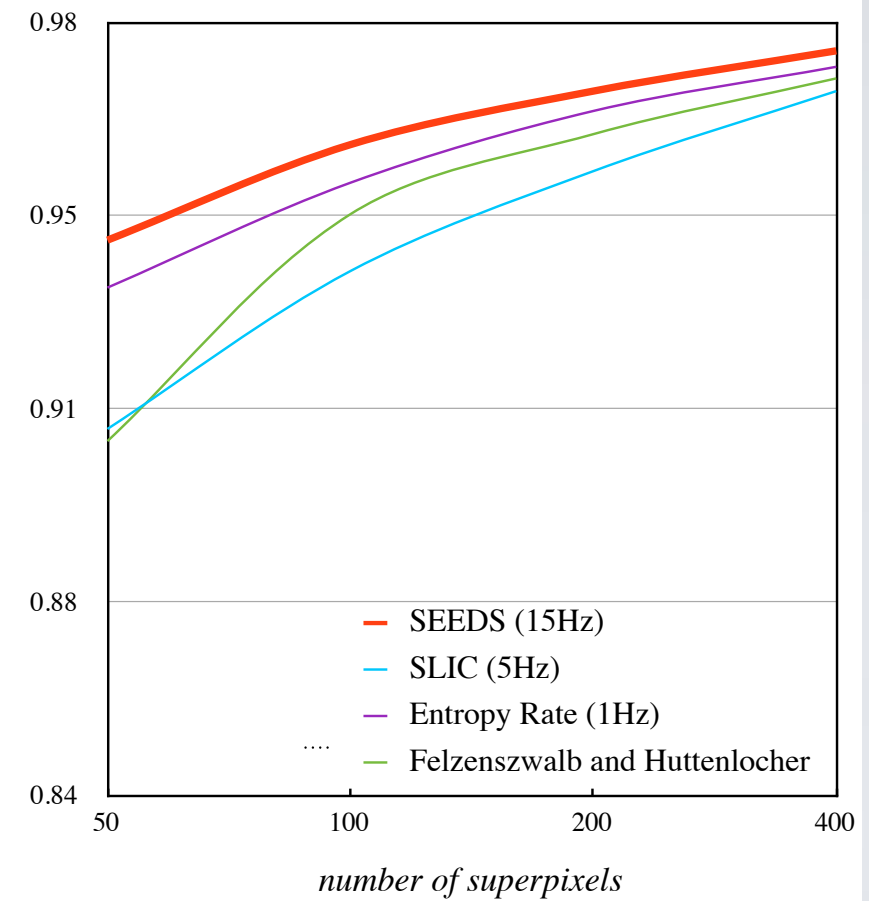
## Undersegmentation Error



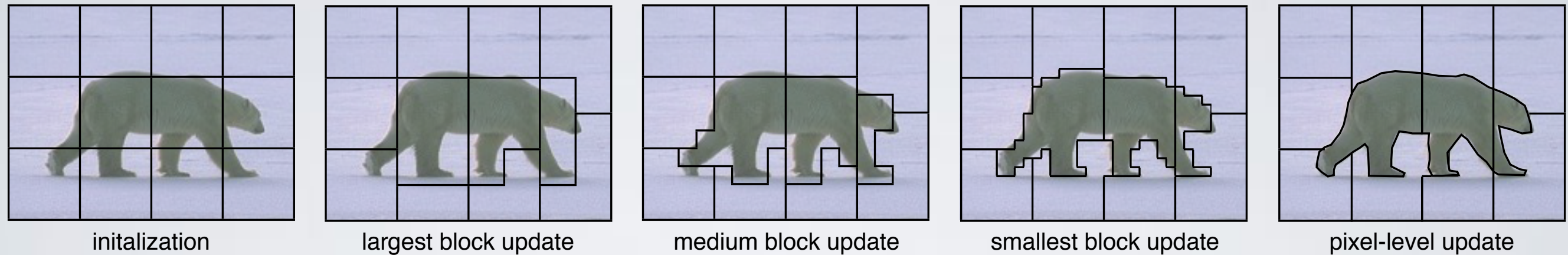
## Boundary Recall



## Achievable Segmentation Accuracy

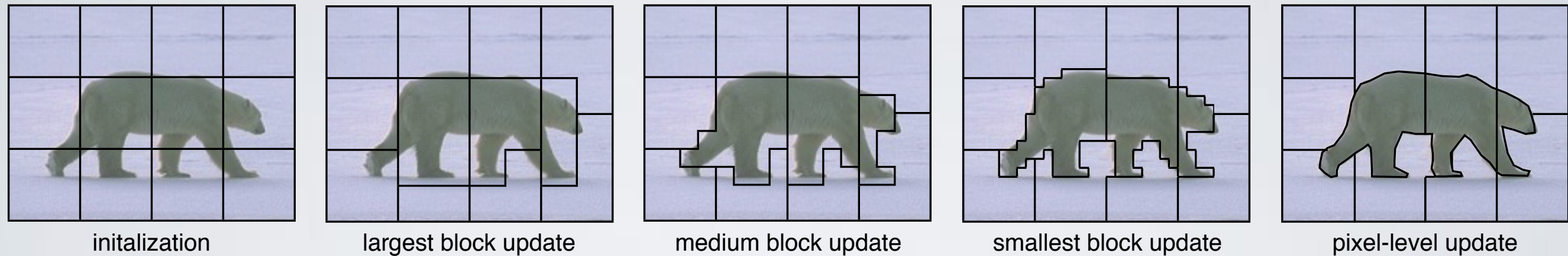


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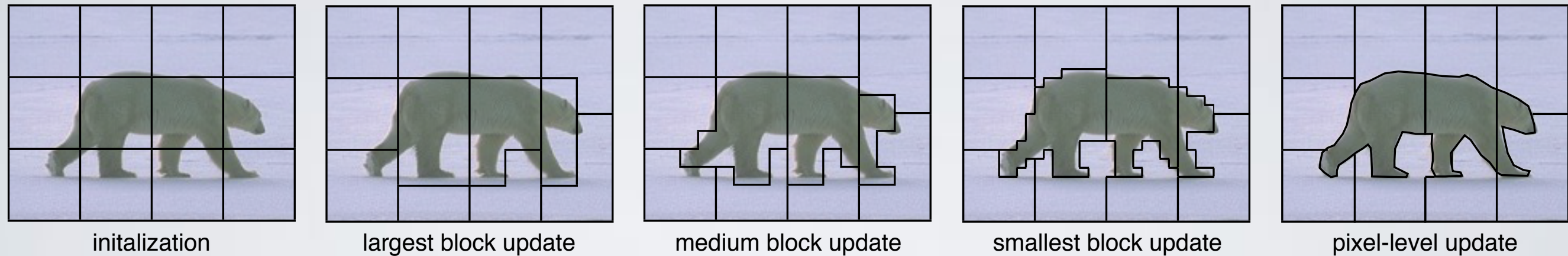
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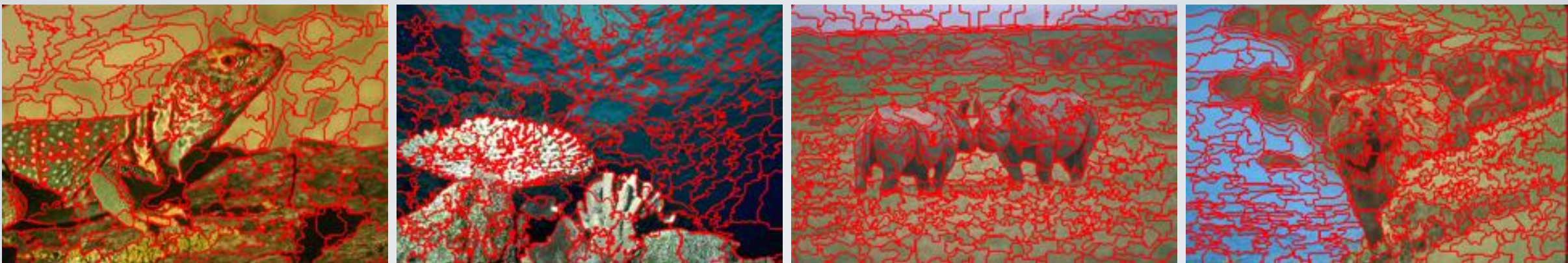
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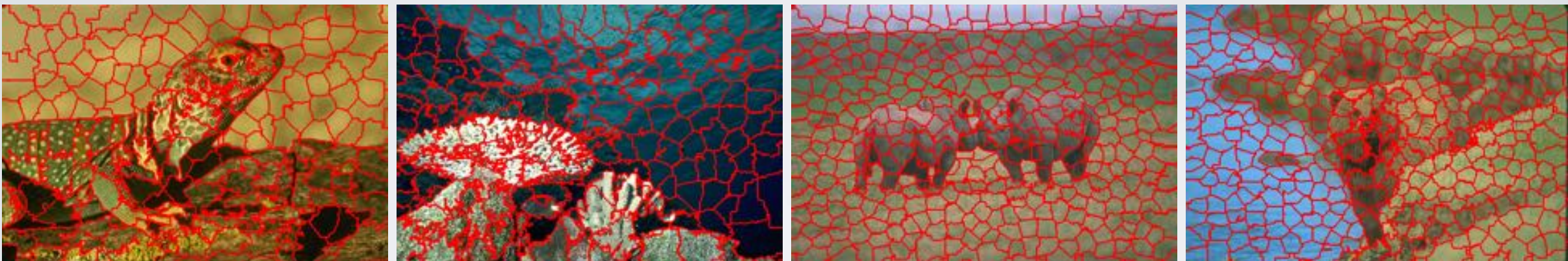


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- control over superpixel shape
  - one or more priors can be applied during boundary updating

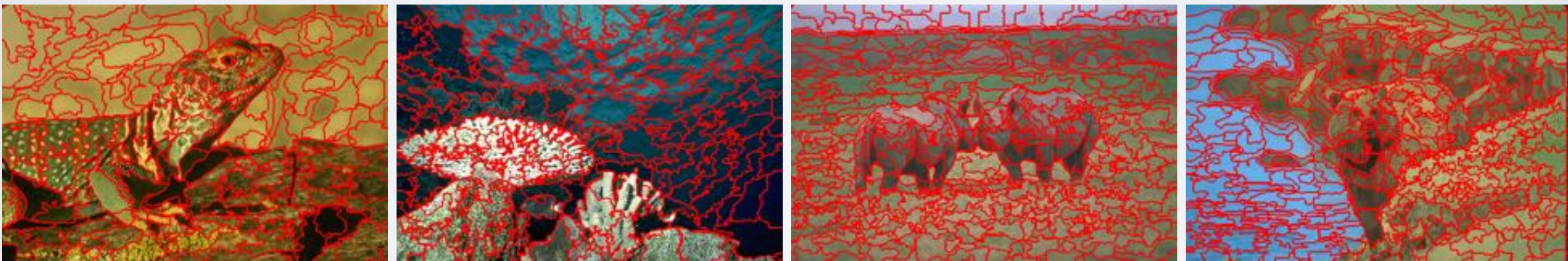




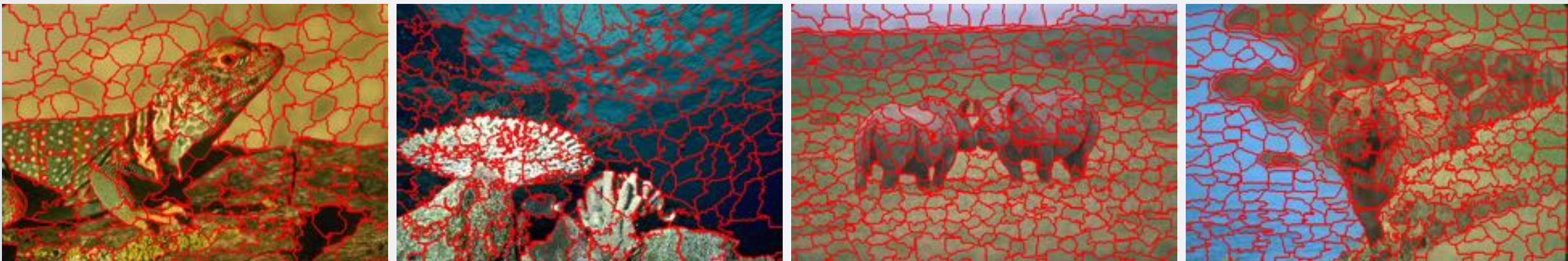
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(b) SEEDS with compactness prior



(b) SEEDS with edge prior (snap to edges)



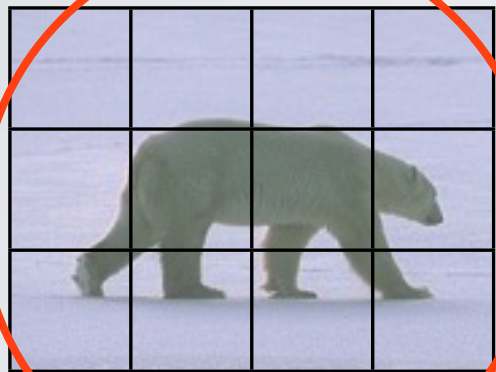
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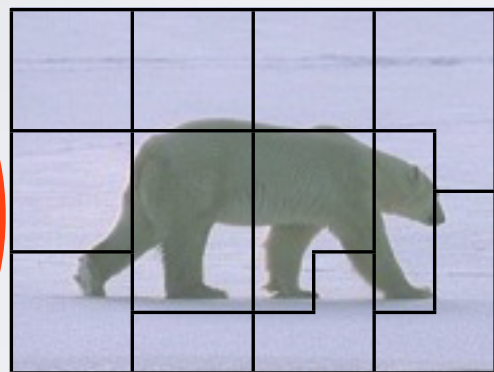
# Advantages of SEEDS

- faster
- more accurate
- control over run-time
- control over shape
- temporal

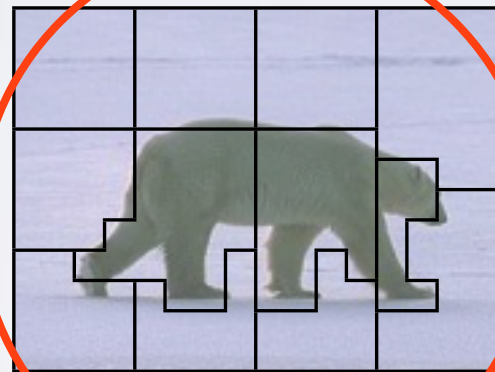
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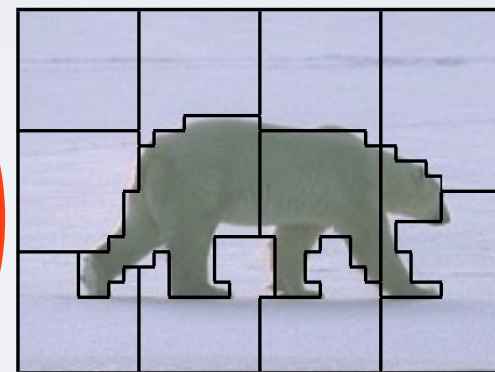
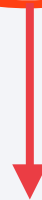
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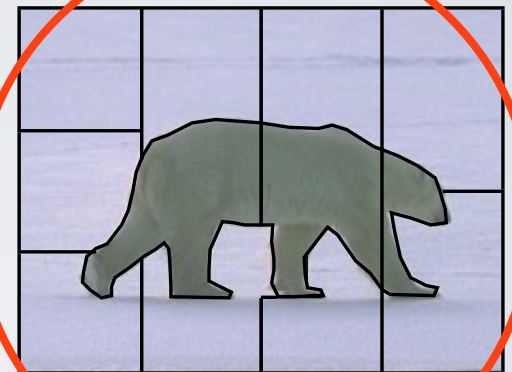
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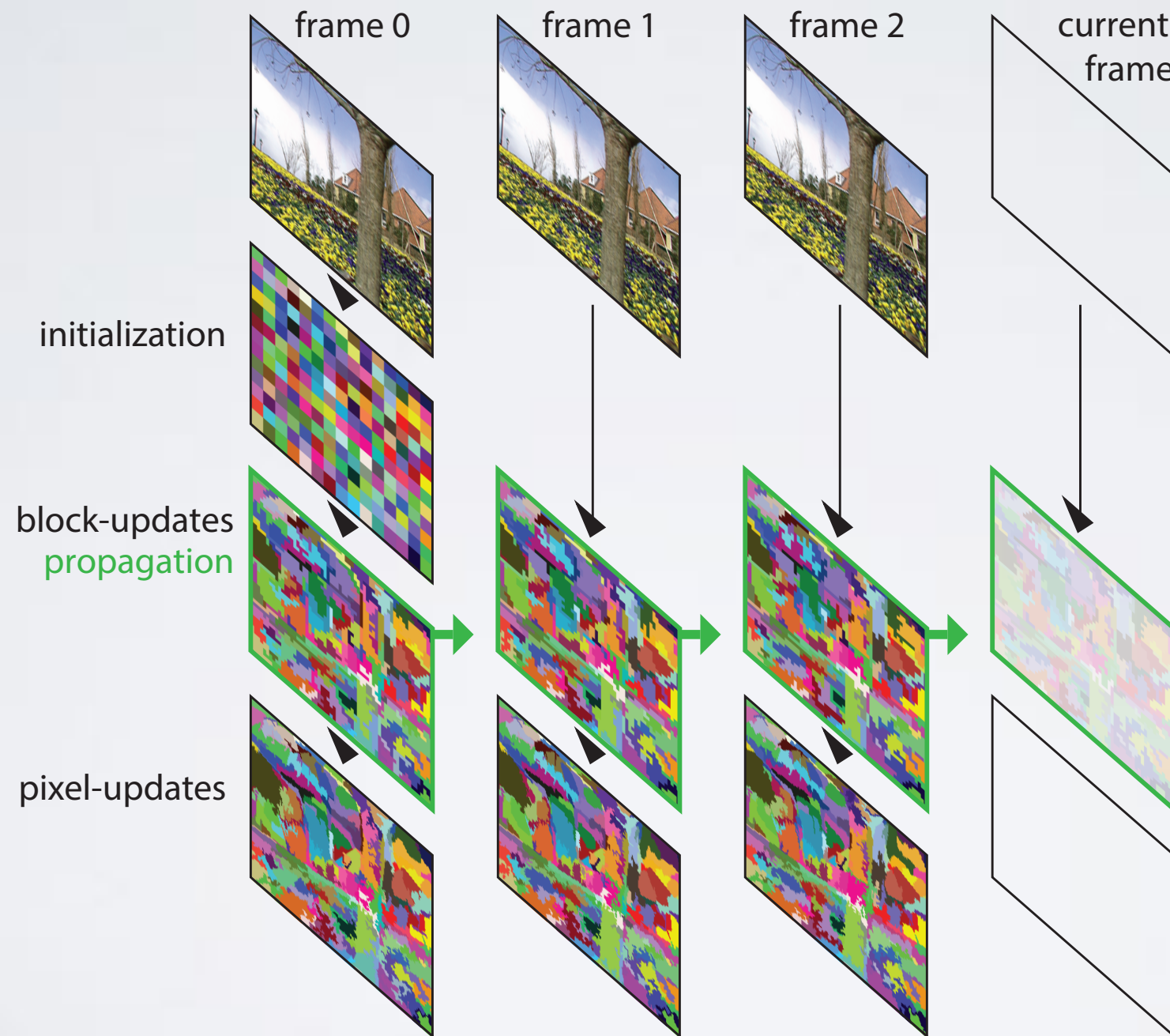


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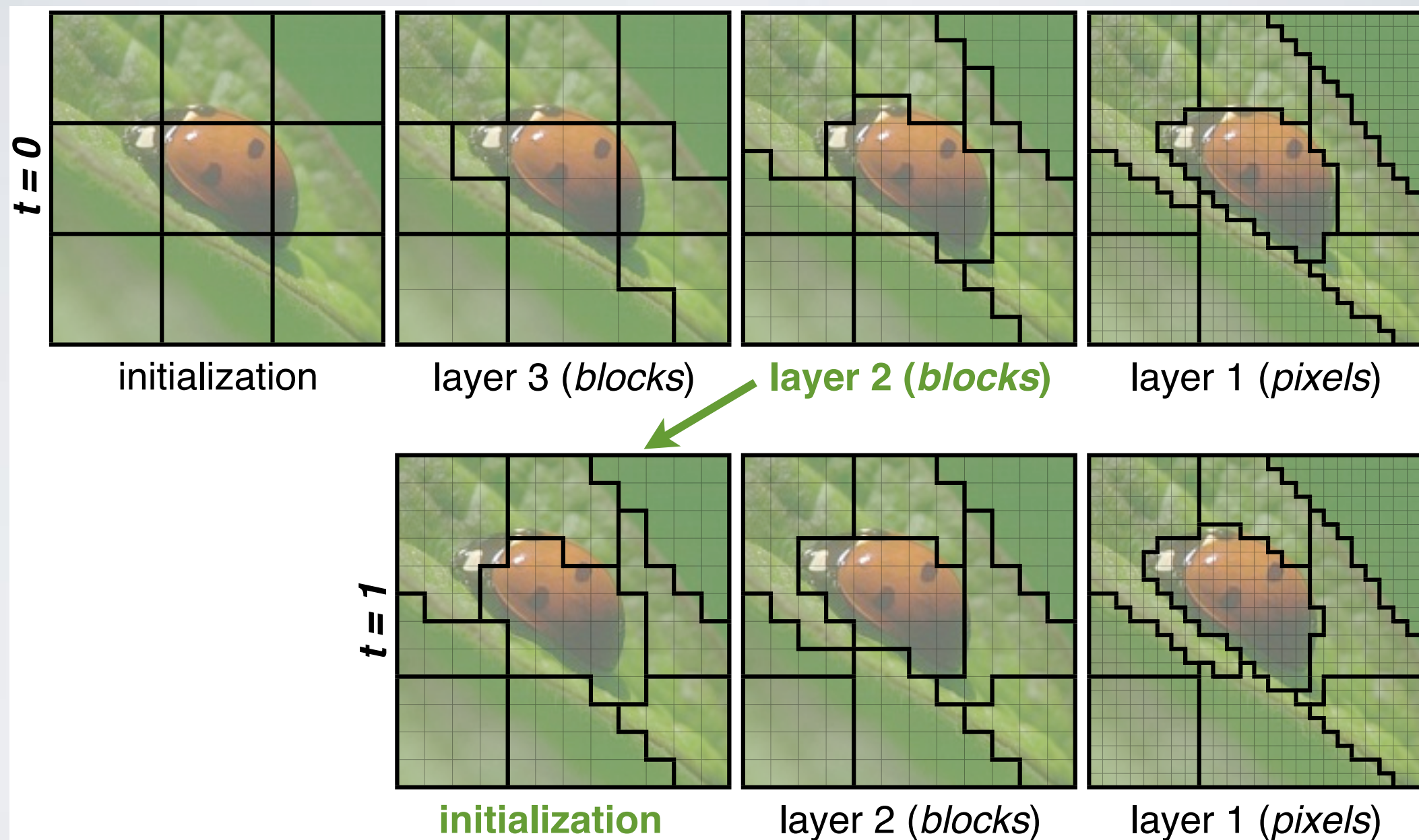
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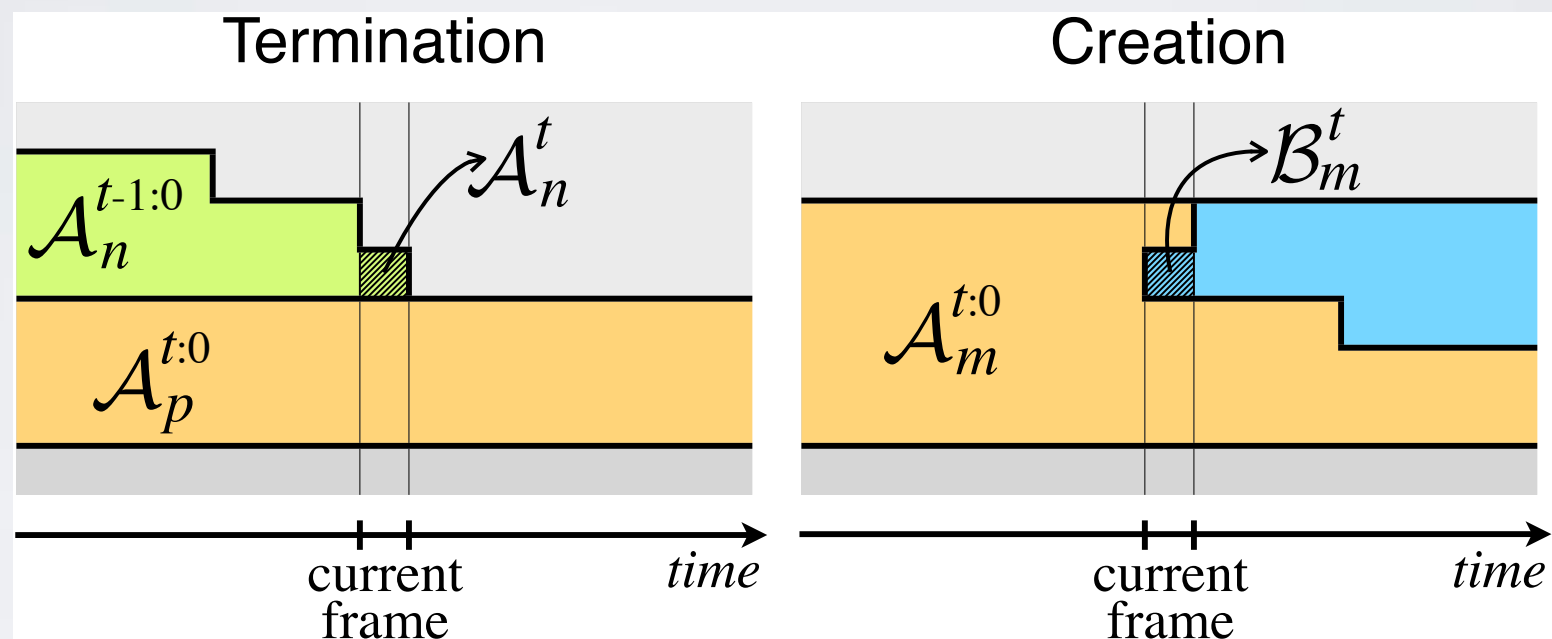
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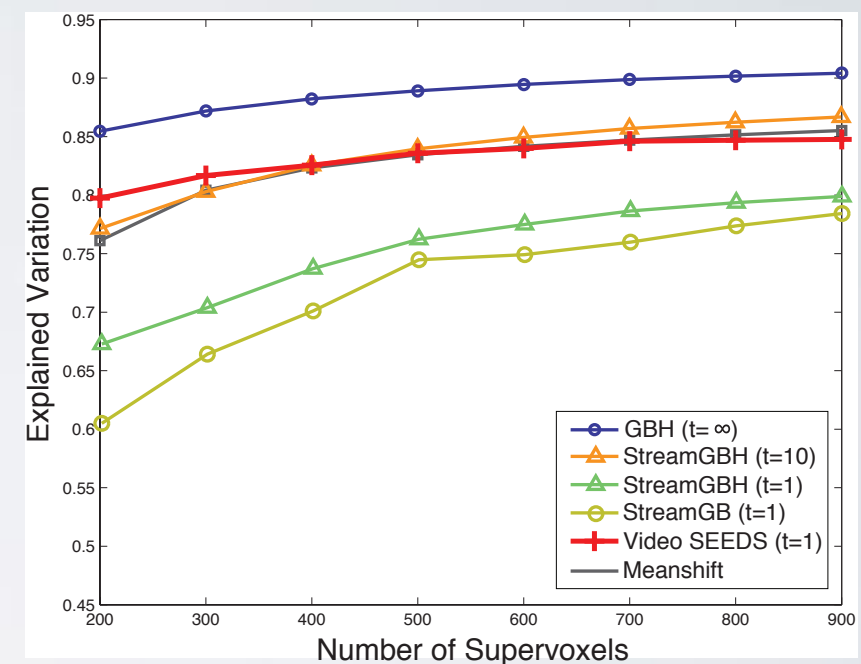
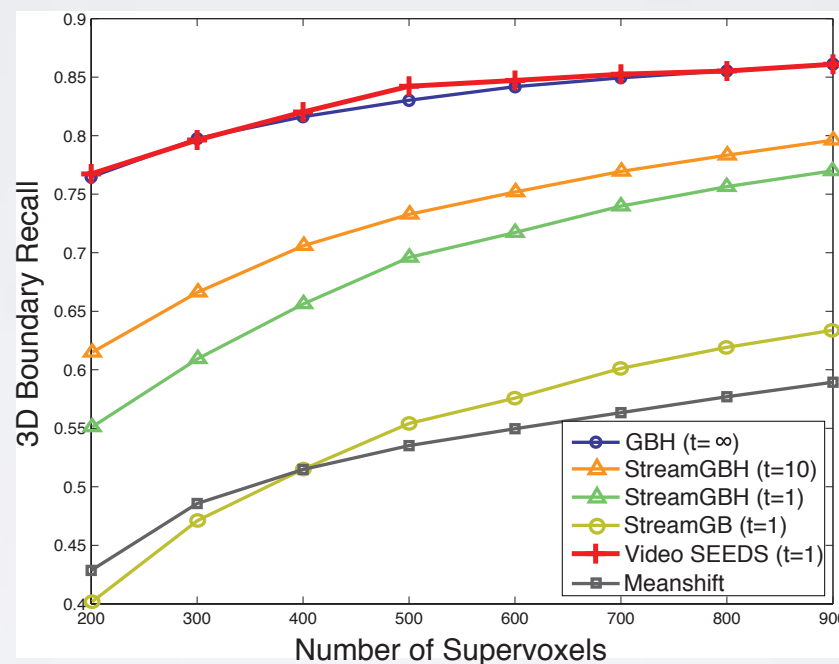
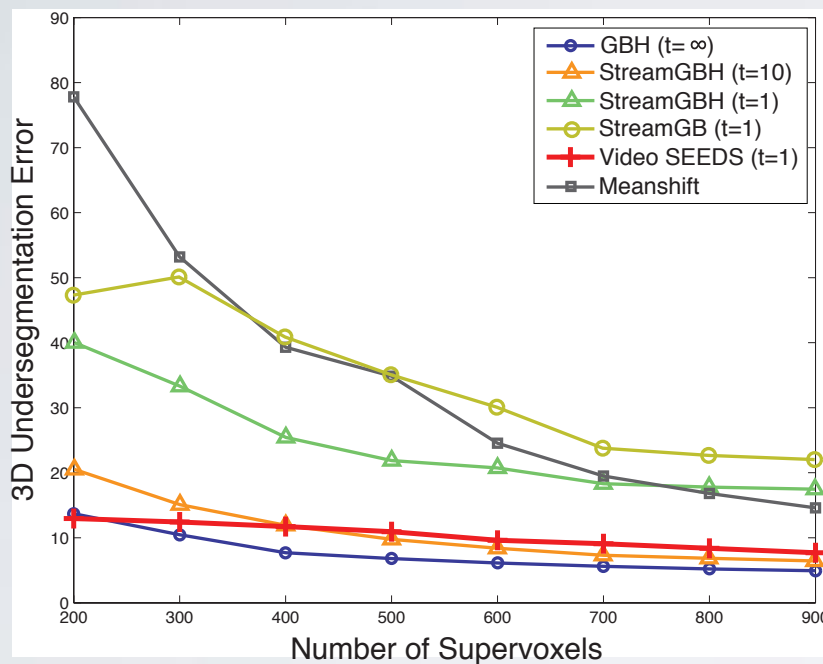


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- superpixels per frame
- superpixel rate (time)

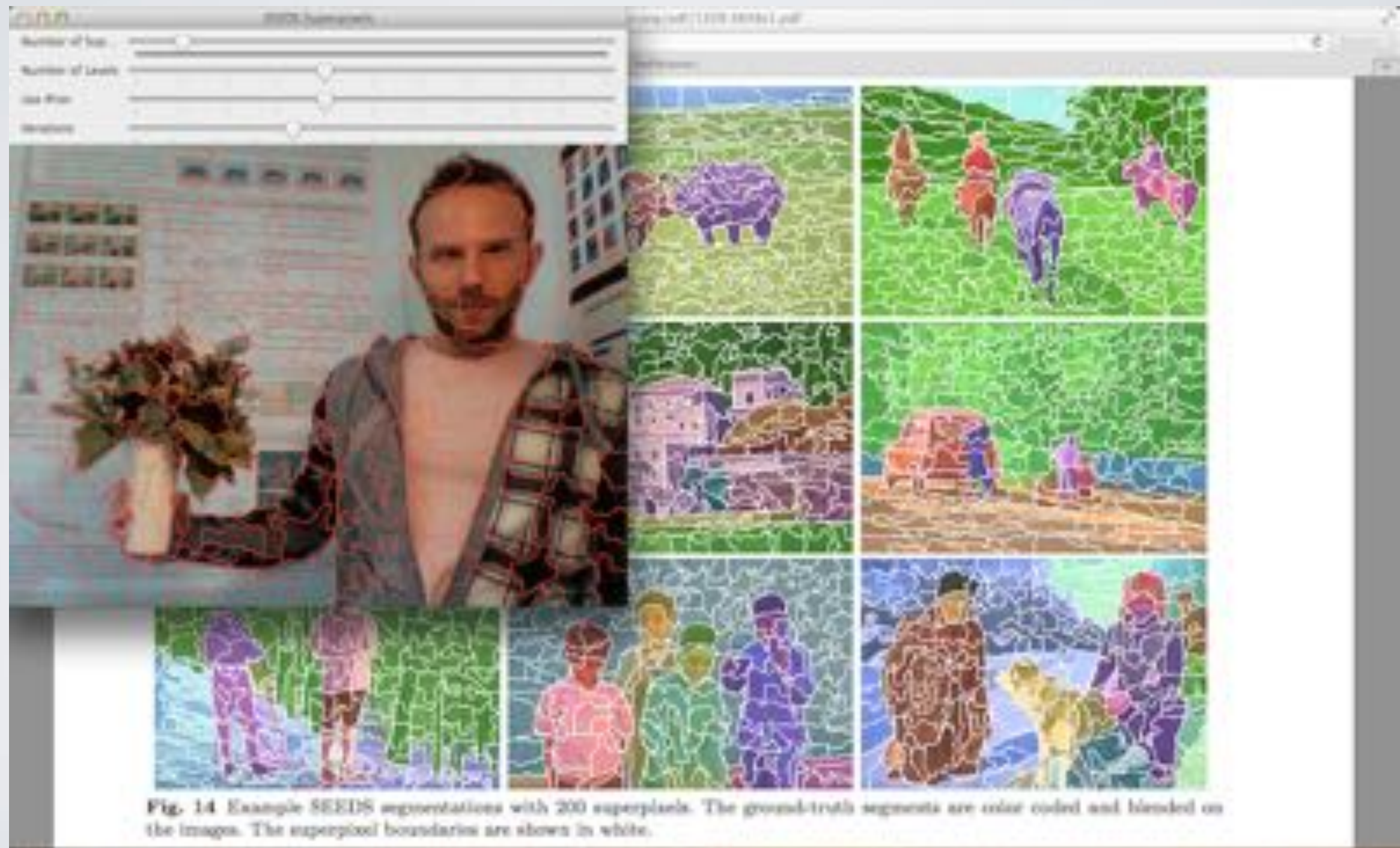
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- Chen Xiph.org benchmark
- $t=\infty$  means the entire video is analyzed
- $t=1$  means it is online (not streaming)
- we are at 30Hz, they are at 0.25 Hz

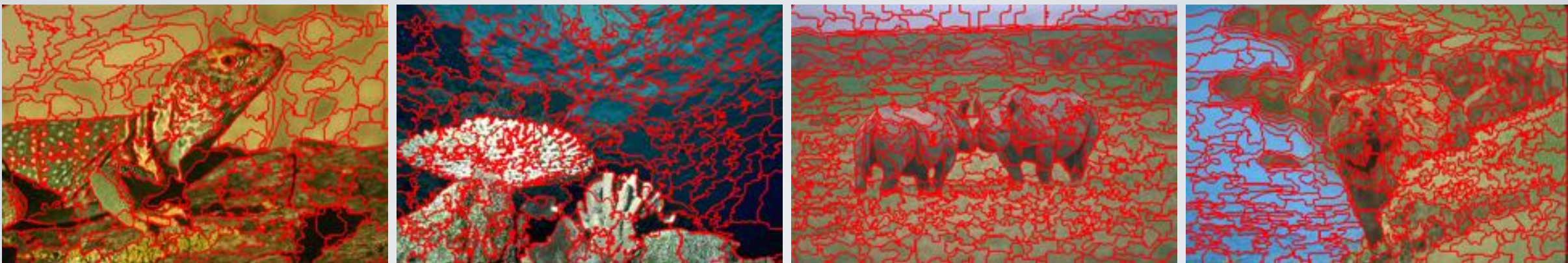


# SEEDS in OpenCV

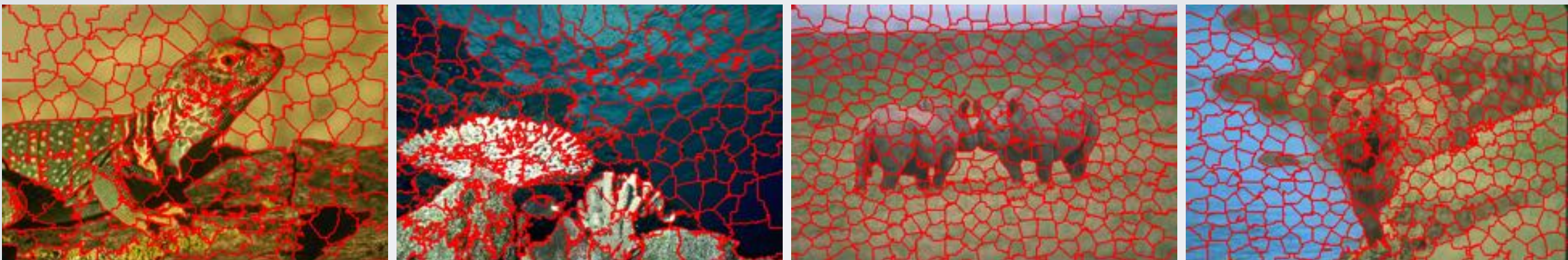


Randomized SEEDS

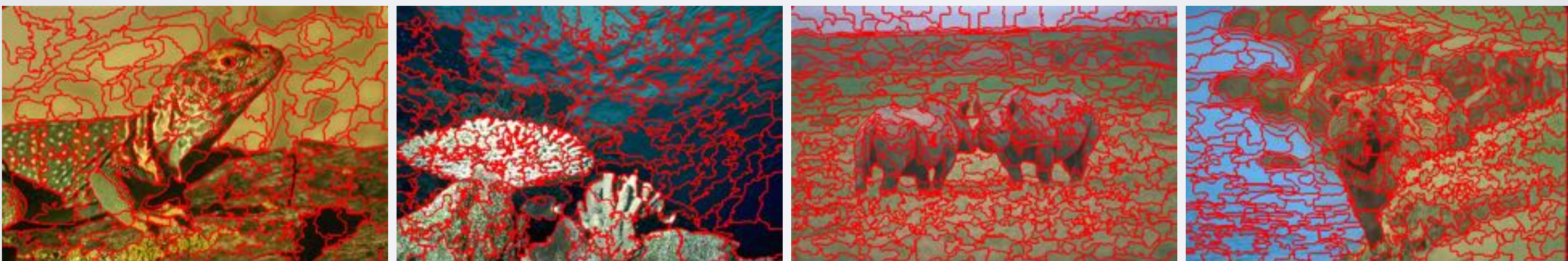




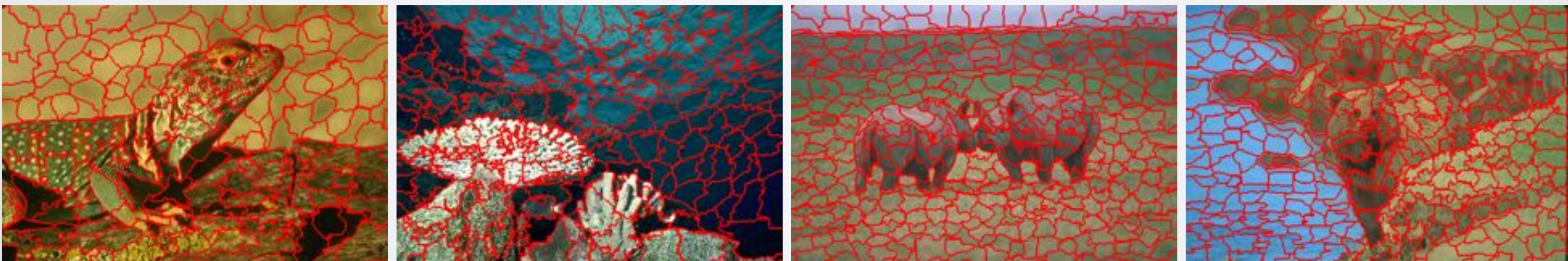
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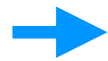
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# Randomness Injection



labels

multiple SEEDS samples



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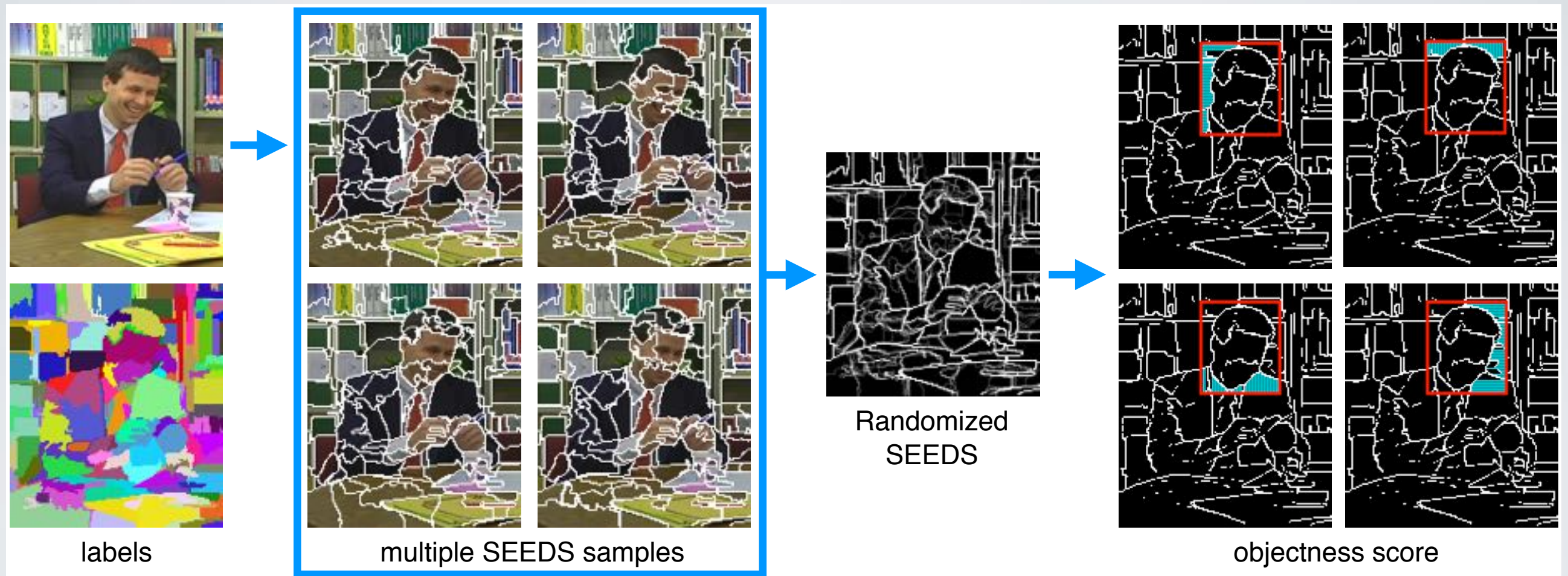


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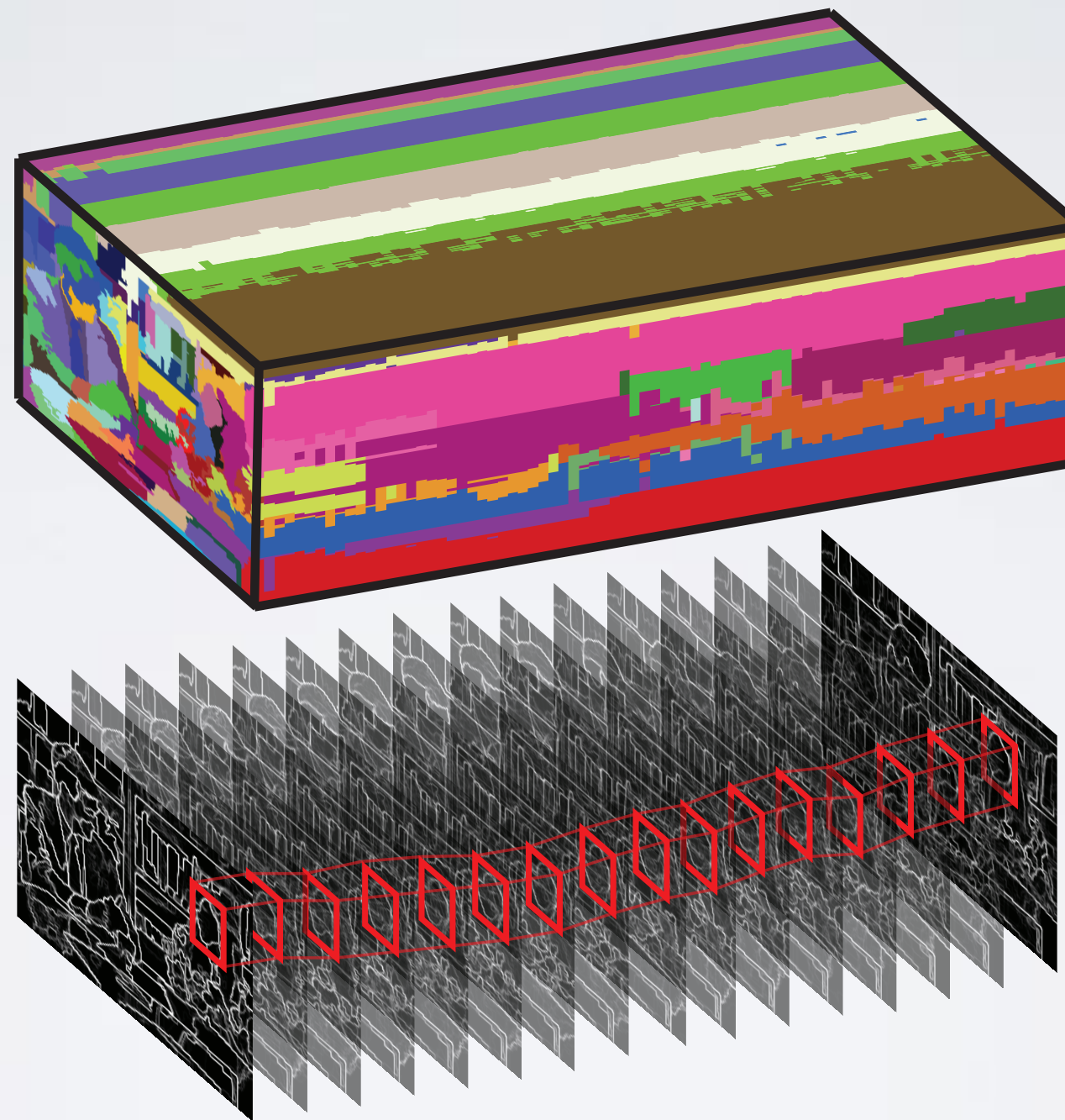
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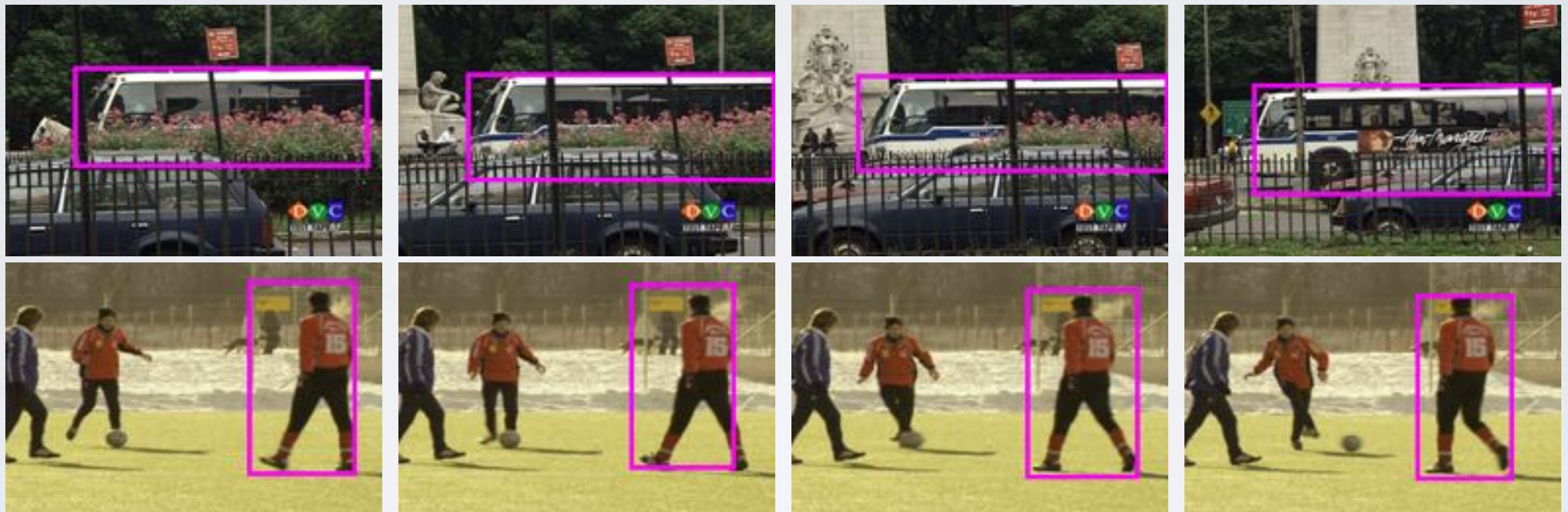
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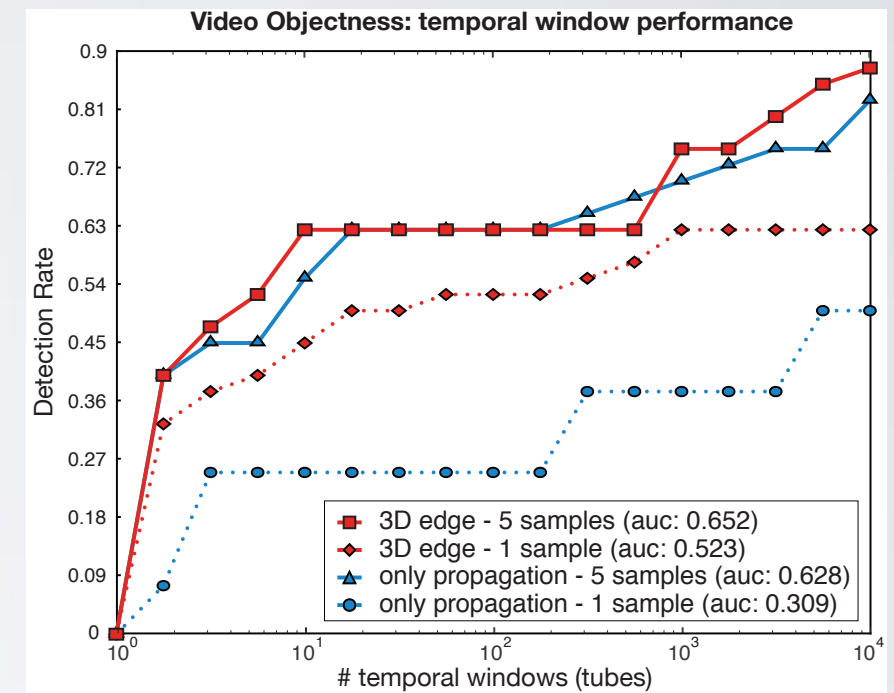
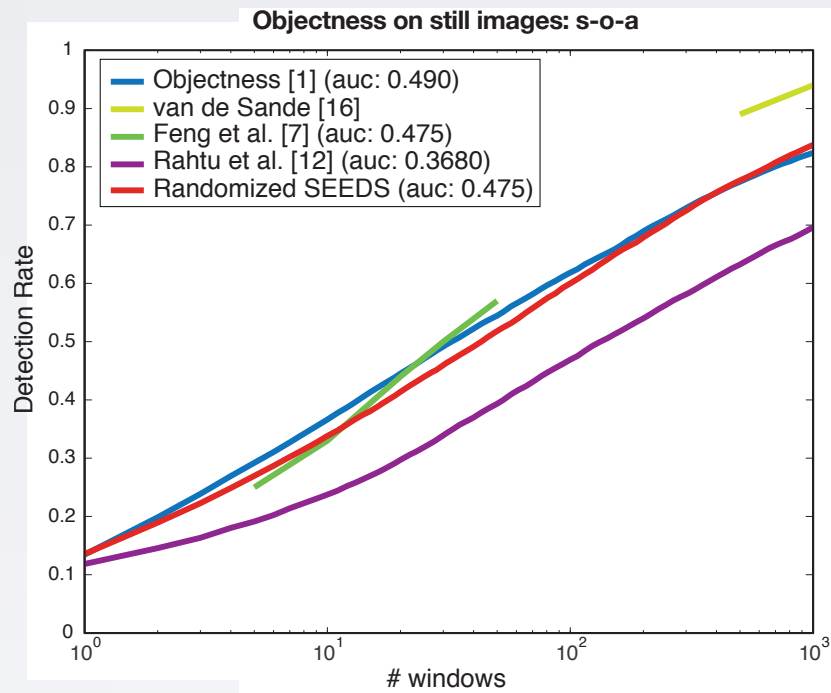
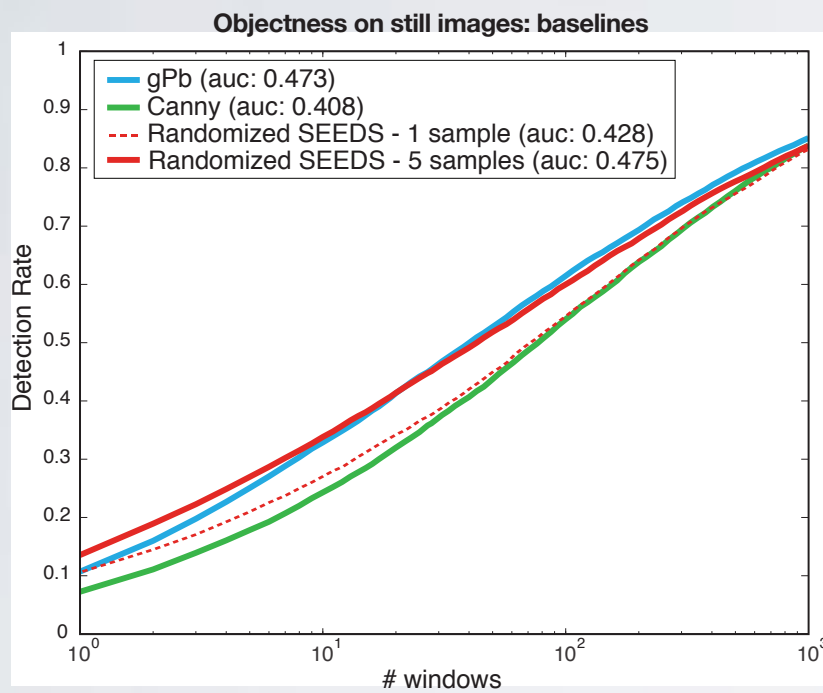
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# Temporal Video Objectness (SEEDS)





Thank You.