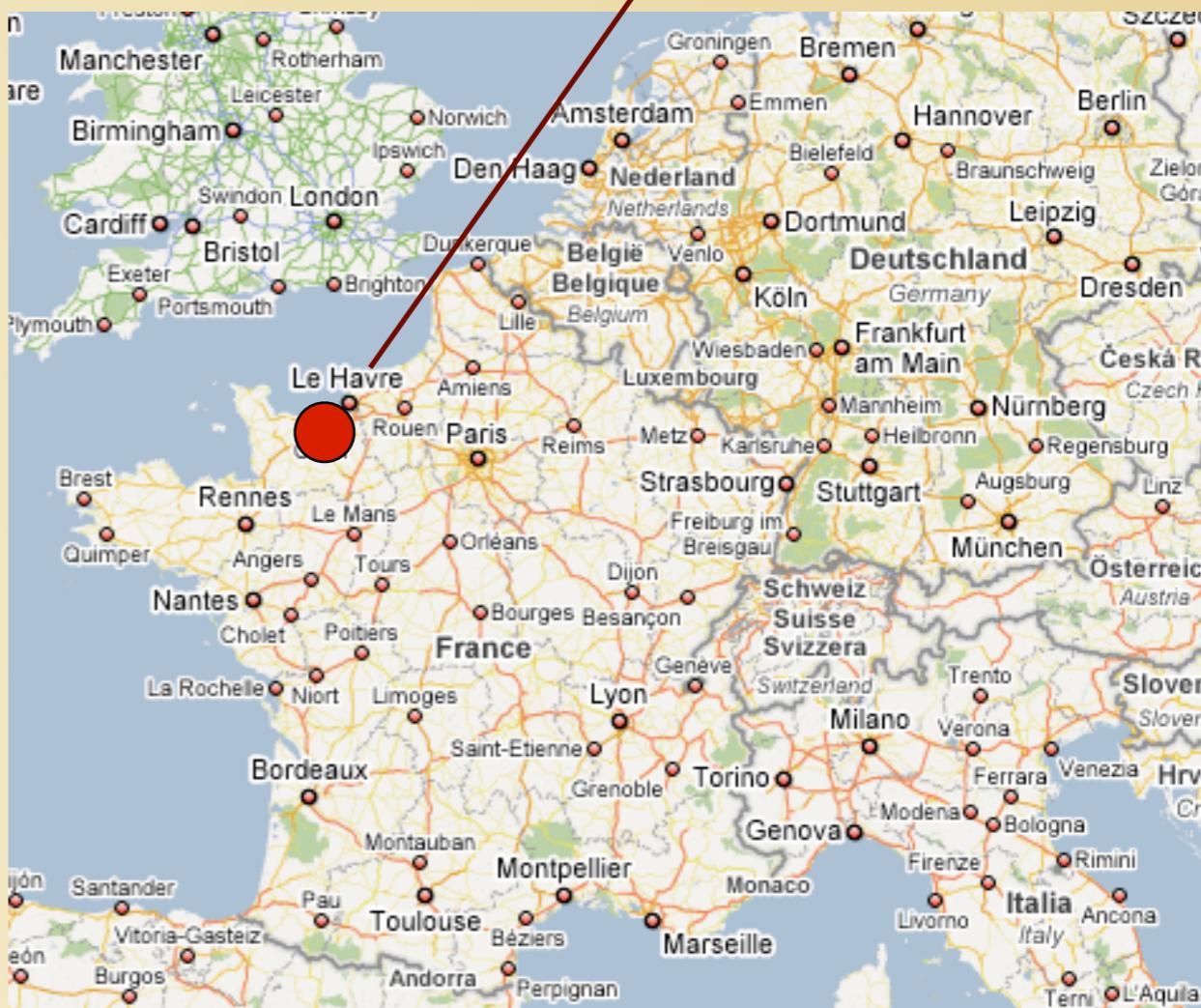


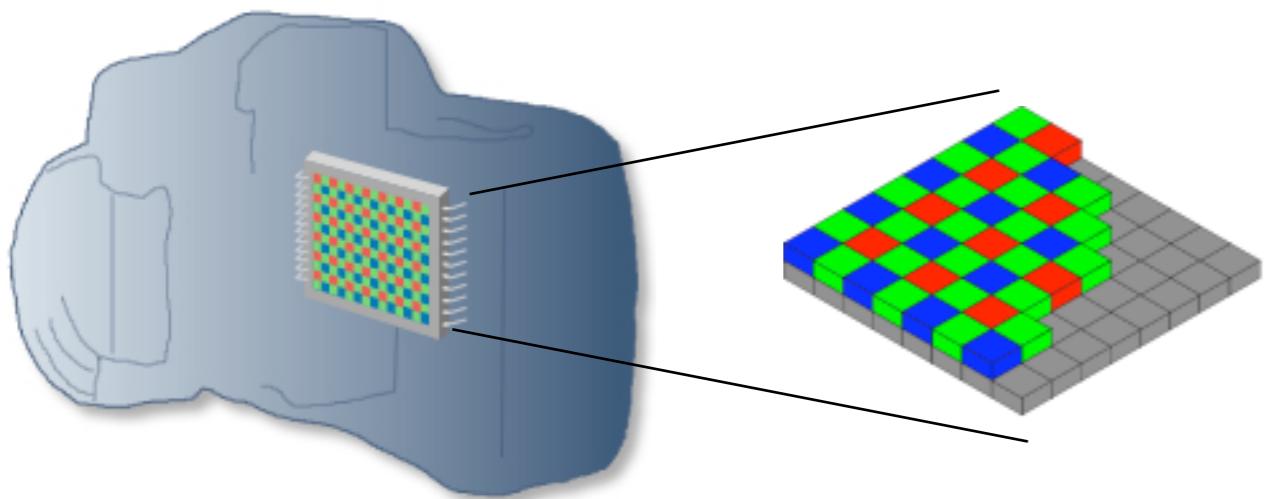


# Reconstruction d'images couleurs par dématricage/débruitage conjoint

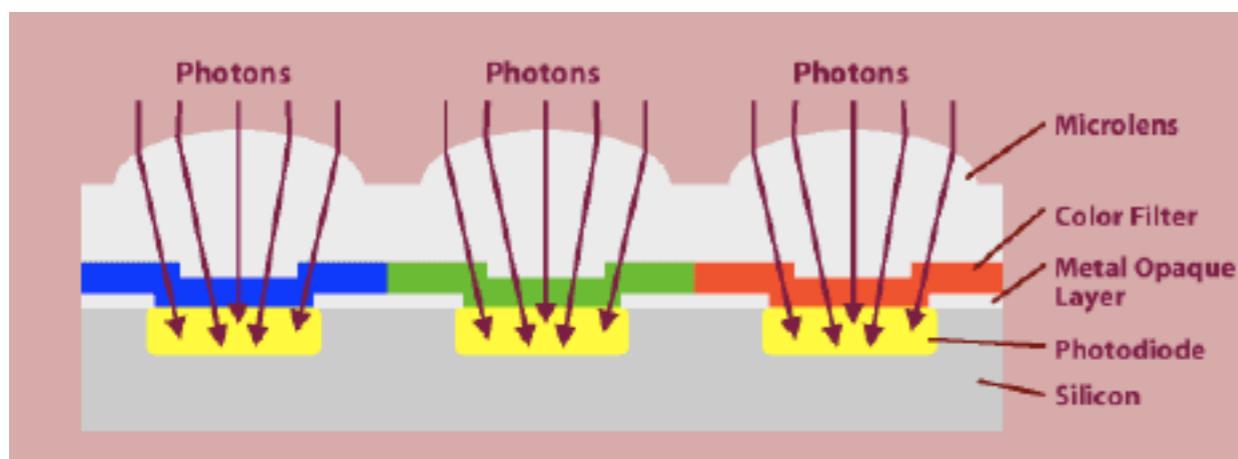
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# Color image acquisition with a single sensor

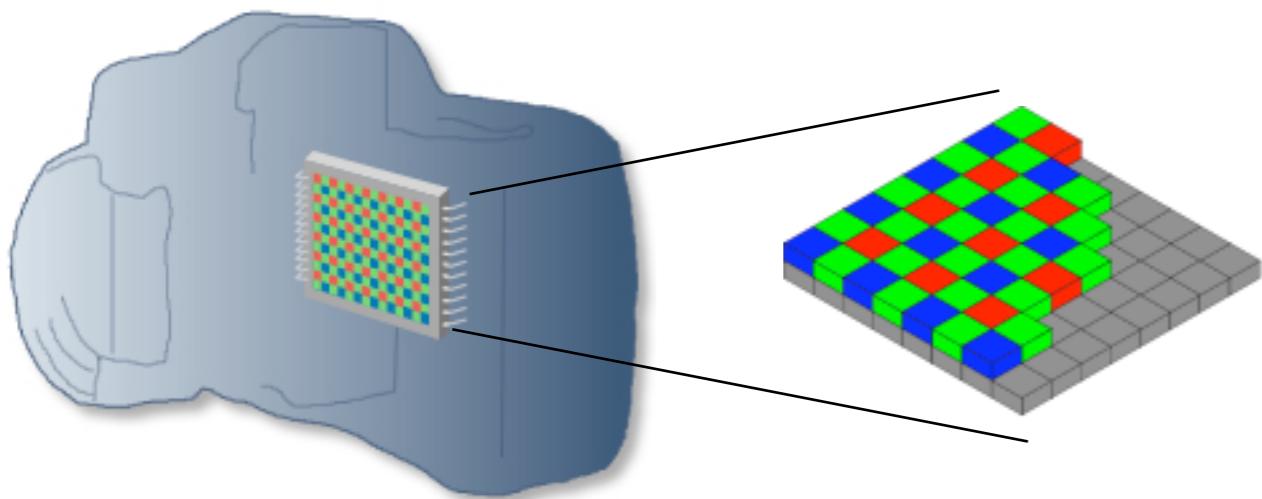


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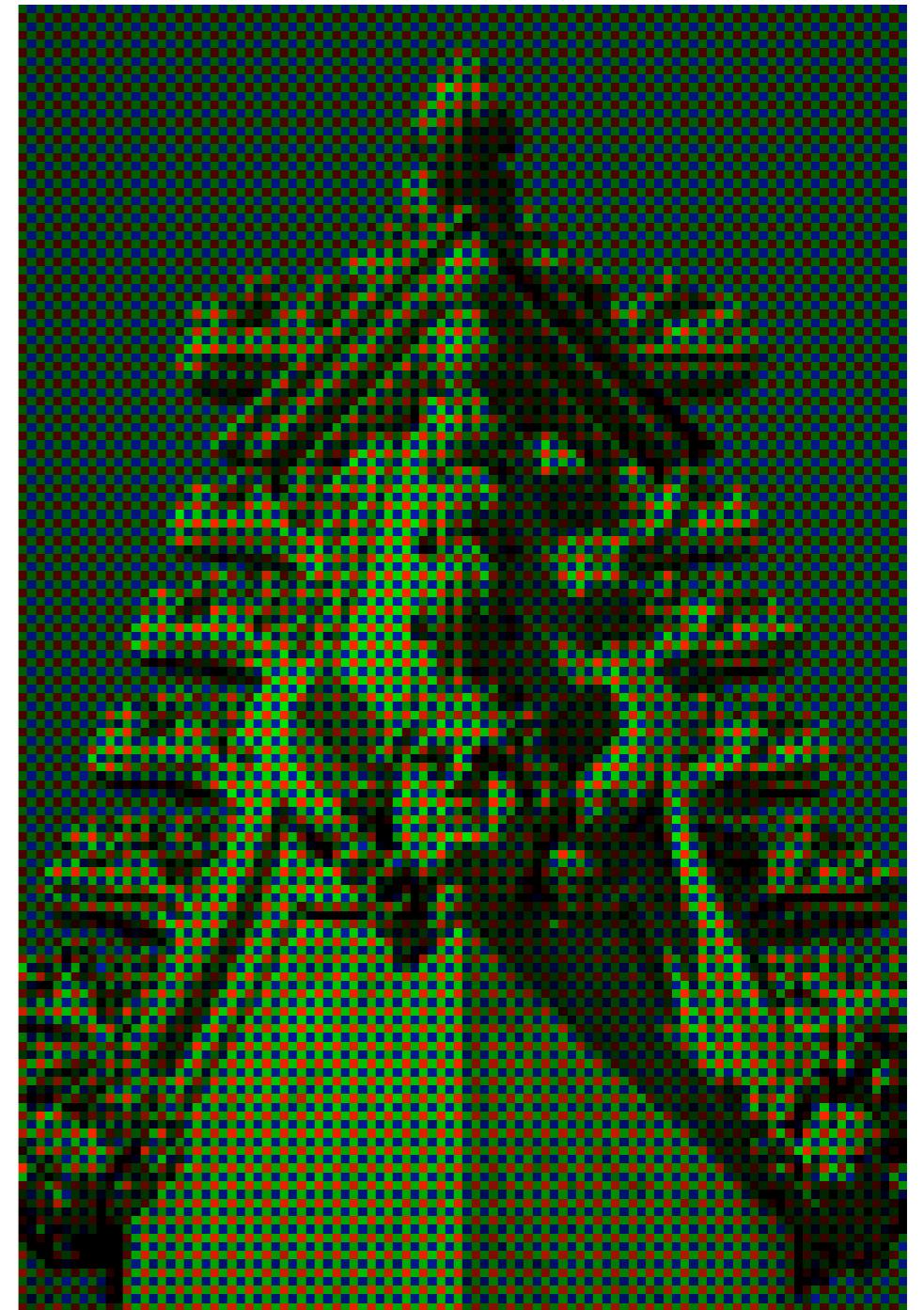
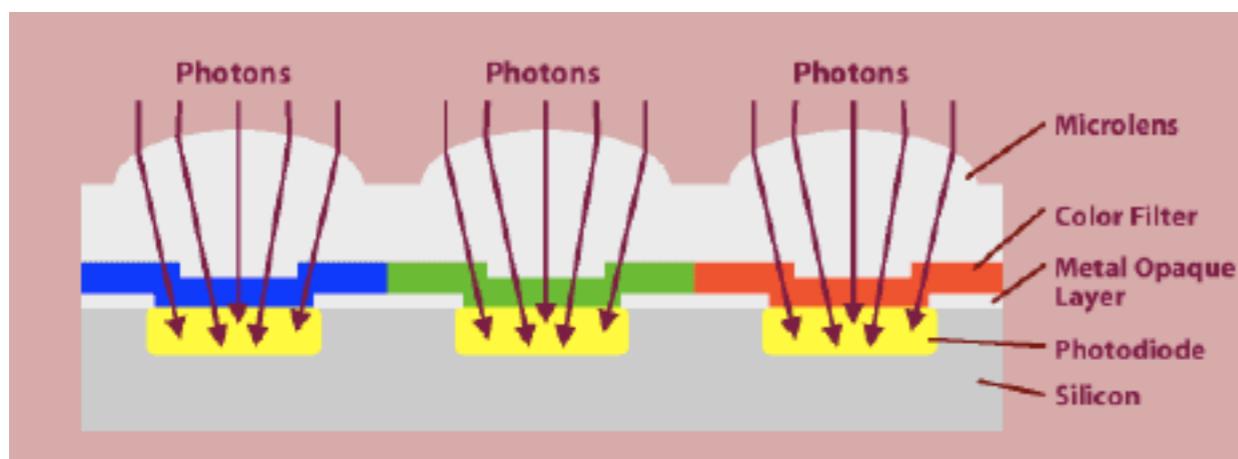


what you see

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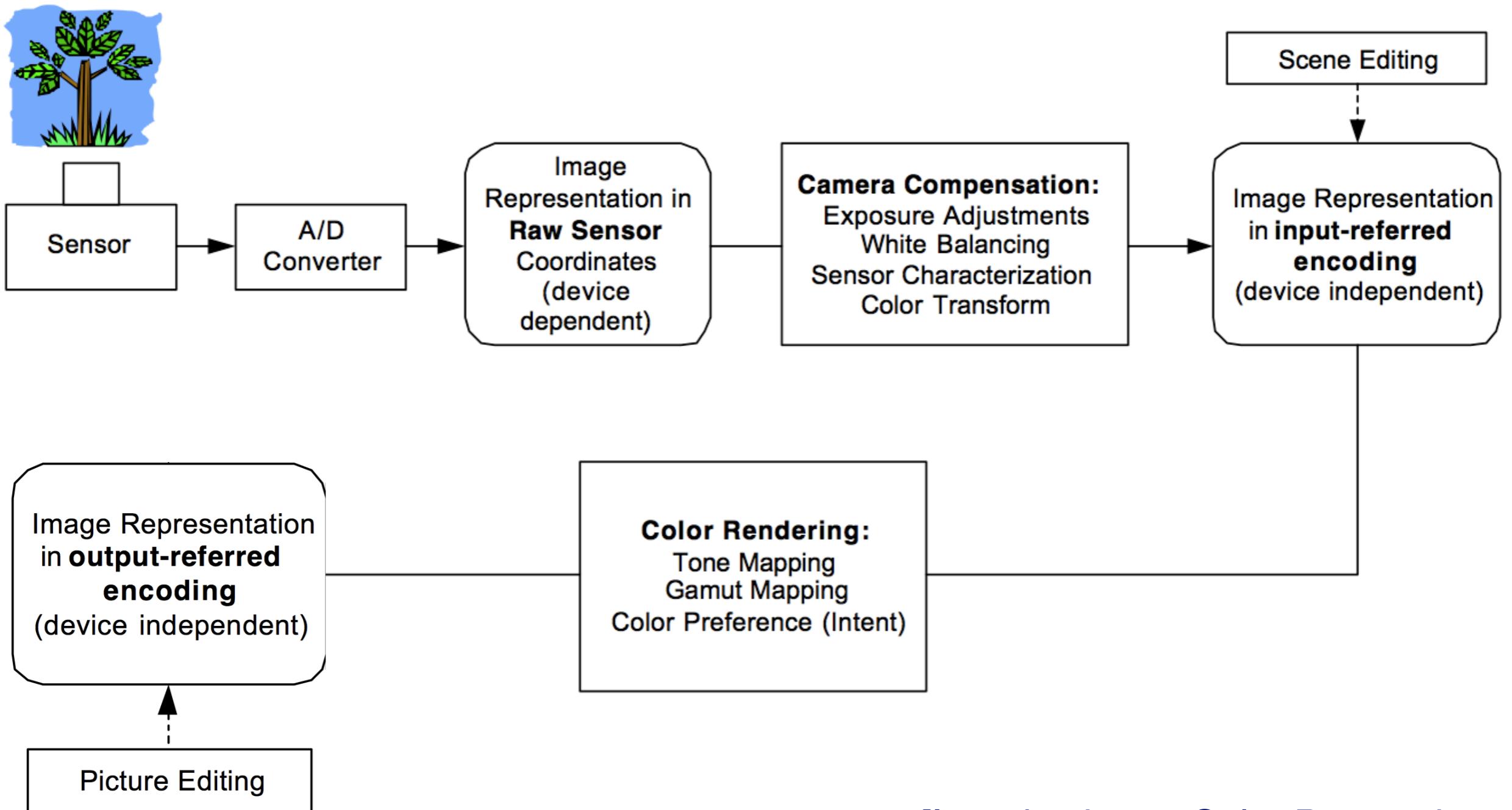


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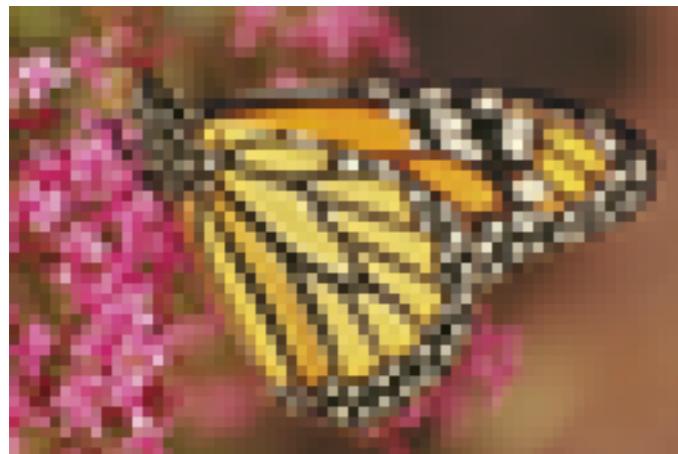
what your camera sees

# The workflow of digital photography



[Introduction to Color Processing  
in Digital Cameras, Süsstrunk]

# Simplified acquisition model



color image

$$\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{u}[\mathbf{k}])_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^2}$$

with  $\mathbf{u}[\mathbf{k}] = \begin{bmatrix} u^R[\mathbf{k}] \\ u^G[\mathbf{k}] \\ u^B[\mathbf{k}] \end{bmatrix}$

$$v[\mathbf{k}] = u^{X[\mathbf{k}]}[\mathbf{k}] + \varepsilon[\mathbf{k}], \quad \forall \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^2, \text{ where } X[\mathbf{k}] \in \{R, G, B\}$$

$$\varepsilon[\mathbf{k}] \sim \sigma \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

# Naive approaches



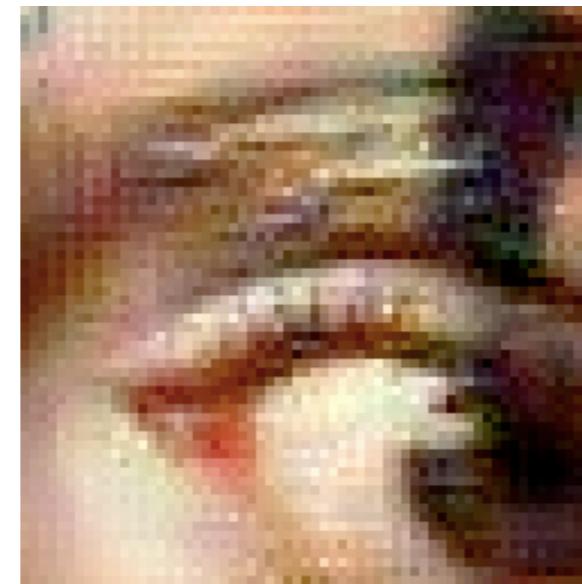
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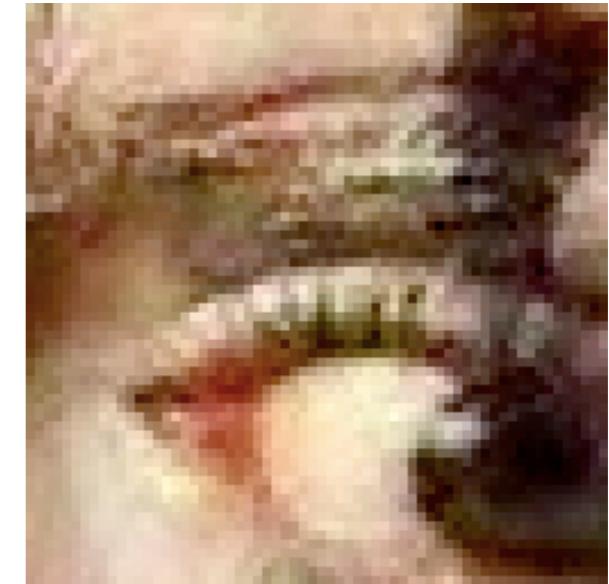
Demosaicked image



Demosaicking  
+ denoising



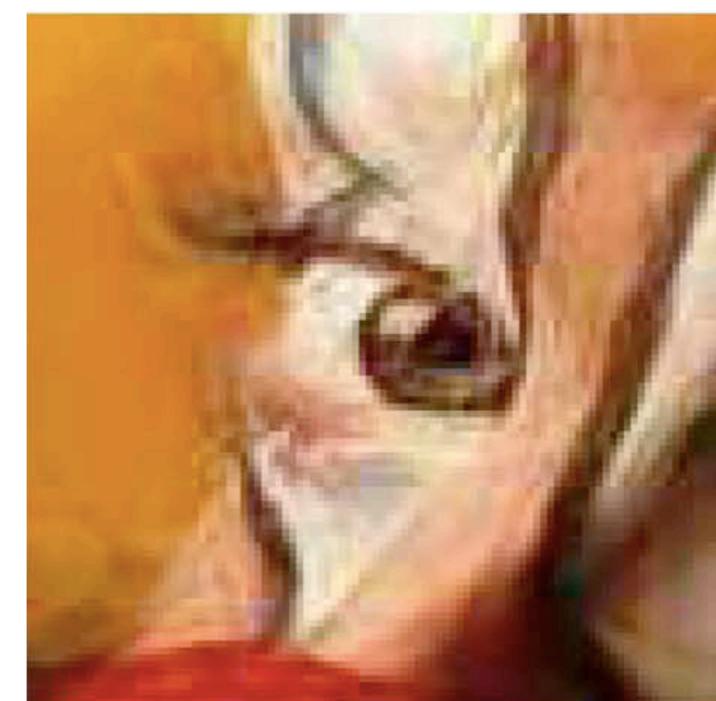
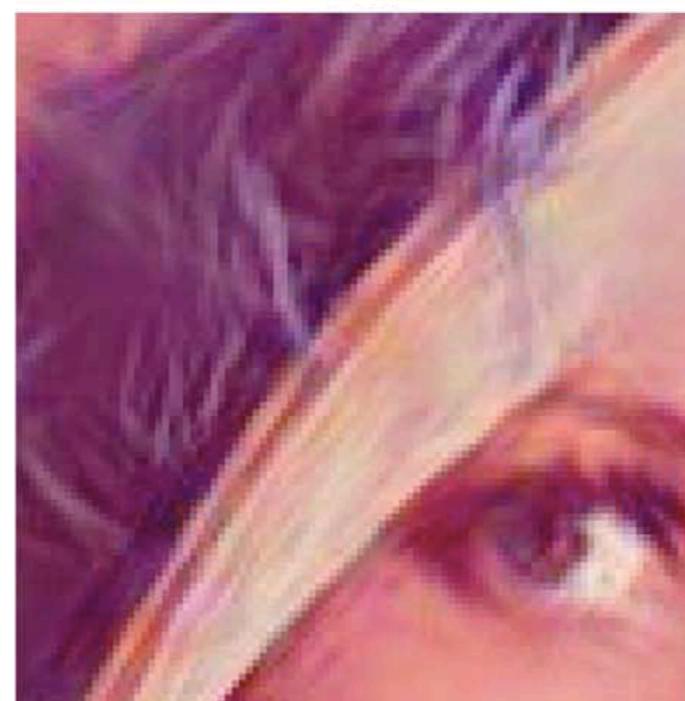
Denoising  
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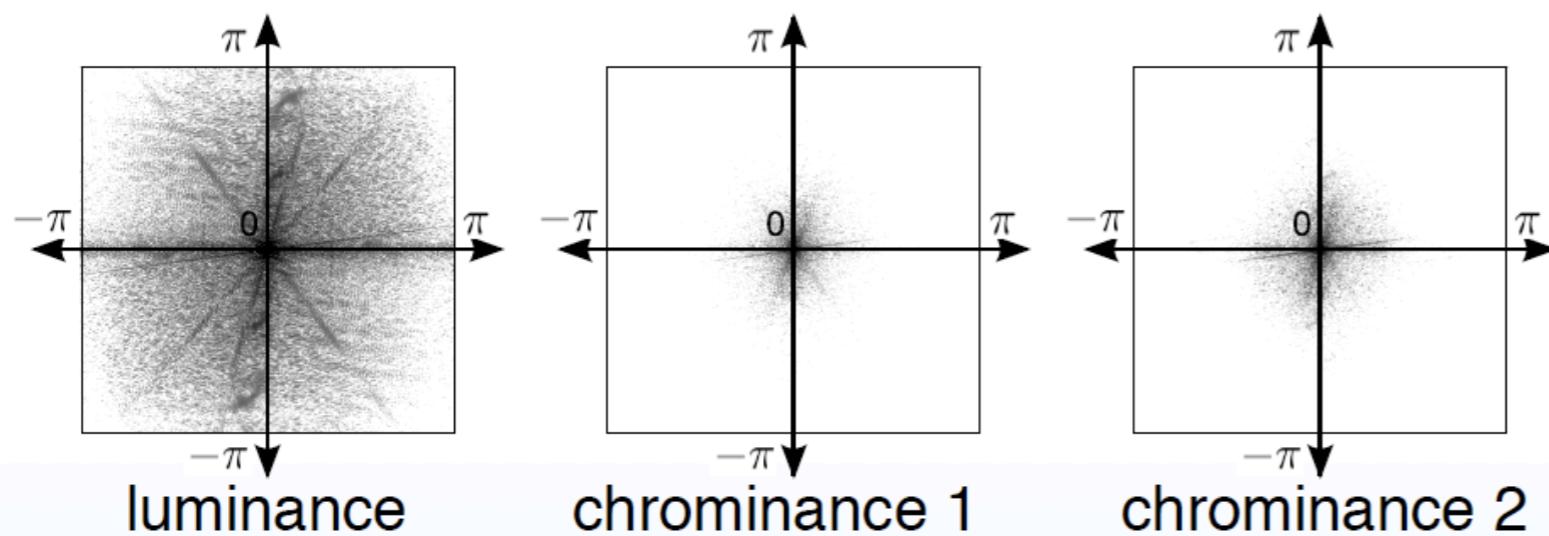
Joint demosaicking/  
denoising [Hirakawa, 2006]

# Ad hoc approaches

- Hirakawa *et al.* “Joint demosaicing and denoising”, *IEEE TIP*, 2006



# Luminance / chrominance basis



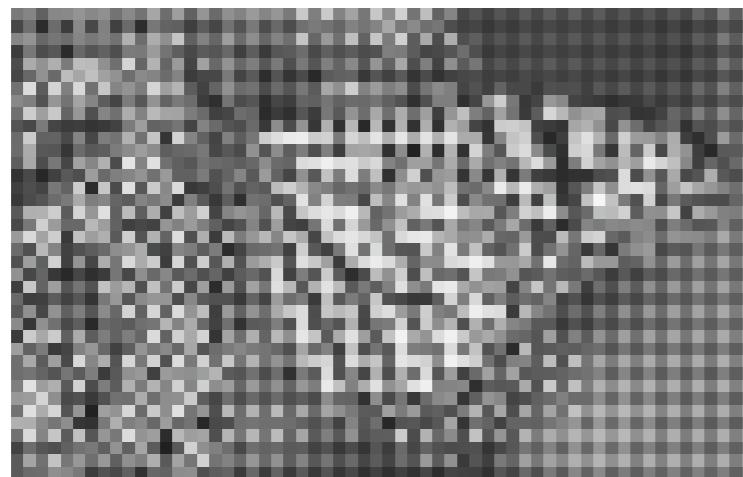
$$\mathbf{L} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}[1, 1, 1]^T$$

$$\mathbf{C}^{G/M} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}[-1, 2, -1]^T$$

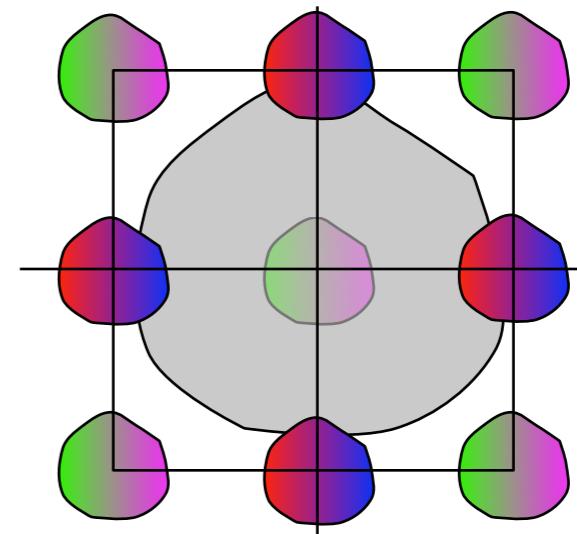
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# Frequency interpretation of Bayer sampling

[Alleysson *et al.*,  
*IEEE TIP*, 2005]



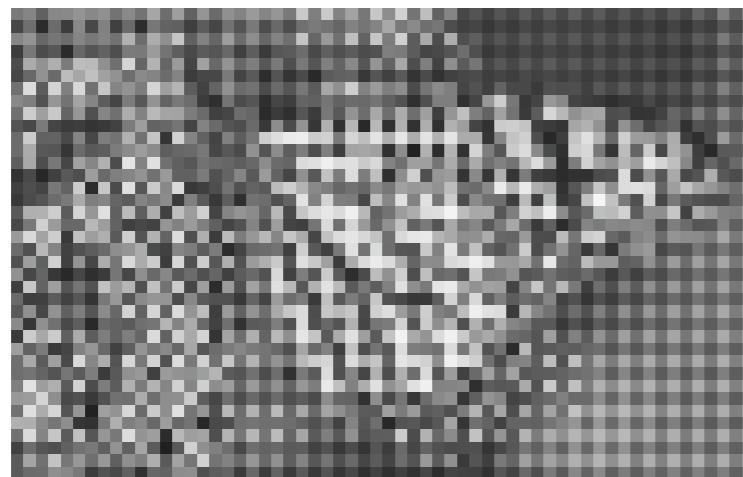
Fourier transform  
→



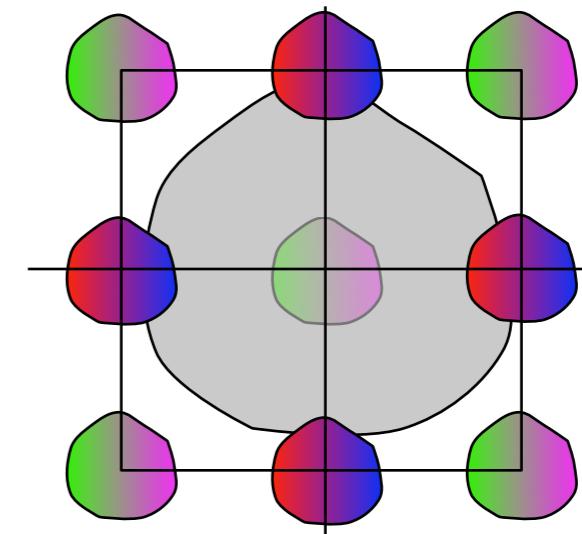
$$\begin{aligned}\hat{v}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) = & \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\hat{u}^L(\boldsymbol{\omega}) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{24}}\hat{u}^{G/M}(\boldsymbol{\omega}) + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4}\hat{u}^{G/M}(\boldsymbol{\omega} - [\pi, \pi]^T) + \\ & \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}\hat{u}^{R/B}(\boldsymbol{\omega} - [0, \pi]^T) - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4}\hat{u}^{R/B}(\boldsymbol{\omega} - [\pi, 0]^T) + \hat{\varepsilon}(\boldsymbol{\omega})\end{aligned}$$

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# Linear demosaicking by frequency selection

- Chrominance obtained by modulation + lowpass filtering

$$d^{G/M} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{6}} v_{\pi,\pi} * h_{G/M} \text{ where } v_{\pi,\pi}[\mathbf{k}] = (-1)^{k_1+k_2} v[\mathbf{k}]$$

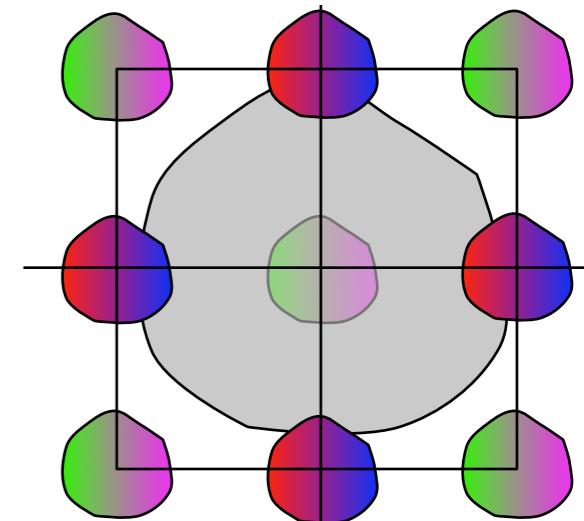
$$d_H^{R/B} = -2\sqrt{2} v_{\pi,0} * h_{R/B} \text{ where } v_{\pi,0}[\mathbf{k}] = (-1)^{k_1} v[\mathbf{k}]$$

$$d_V^{R/B} = 2\sqrt{2} v_{0,\pi} * (h_{R/B})^T \text{ where } v_{0,\pi}[\mathbf{k}] = (-1)^{k_2} v[\mathbf{k}]$$

$$d^{R/B} = \frac{1}{2}(d_H^{R/B} + d_V^{R/B})$$

- Luminance as the residual

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} d^L = v[\mathbf{k}] - \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{24}} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4} (-1)^{k_1+k_2} \right) d^{G/M}[\mathbf{k}] - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \left( (-1)^{k_2} - (-1)^{k_1} \right) d^{R/B}[\mathbf{k}]$$



[Dubois, *IEEE SPL*, 2005]

# Linear demosaicking: behavior under noise

$$v[\mathbf{k}] = v_0[\mathbf{k}] + \varepsilon[\mathbf{k}] \quad \varepsilon[\mathbf{k}] \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

- Let  $d_0$  be the demosaicked image in absence of noise

$$\mathbf{d}[\mathbf{k}] = \mathbf{d}_0[\mathbf{k}] + \mathbf{e}[\mathbf{k}]$$

- The demosaicked color noise  $\mathbf{e}$  is such that:

- $e^{G/M}, e^{R/B}, e^L$  are independent Gaussian noise realizations
- $e^{G/M}$  is stationary with spectral density  $\frac{8}{3}\sigma^2|\hat{h}_{G/M}(\omega)|^2$
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→ The basis  $\mathbf{L}, \mathbf{C}^{G/M}, \mathbf{C}^{R/B}$  is appropriate to address the problem



# Strategy by frequency selection + denoising

[Condat, *IEEE ICIP*, 2010]

- 1) Estimate the denoised chrominance  $d^{G/M} \approx u^{G/M}$  and  $d^{R/B} \approx u^{R/B}$  by modulation and lowpass filtering
- 2) Subtract it to  $v$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}d^L[\mathbf{k}] \left( \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}u^L[\mathbf{k}] + \varepsilon[\mathbf{k}] \right) := \\ v[\mathbf{k}] - \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{24}} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{4}(-1)^{k_1+k_2} \right) d^{G/M}[\mathbf{k}] - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{4} \left( (-1)^{k_2} - (-1)^{k_1} \right) d^{R/B}[\mathbf{k}]\end{aligned}$$

- 3) denoise  $d^L$

# MMSE chrominance filters

→ The chrominance should be denoised before estimating the luminance

- Wiener-like FIR chrominance filters of size  $N \times N$  optimal for a learning image base: linear systems of size  $N^2 \times N^2$  to solve:

$$\mathbf{A}_{G/M} \mathbf{h}_{G/M} = \mathbf{b}_{G/M}$$

[Dubois, *IEEE ICIP*, 2006]

$$\mathbf{A}_{R/B} \mathbf{h}_{R/B} = \mathbf{b}_{R/B}$$

- In presence of noise:

$$(\mathbf{A}_{G/M} + \frac{8}{3}\sigma^2\mathbf{I})\mathbf{h}_{G/M} = \mathbf{b}_{G/M}$$

[Condat, *IEEE ICIP*, 2010]

$$(\mathbf{A}_{R/B} + 4\sigma^2\mathbf{I})\mathbf{h}_{R/B} = \mathbf{b}_{R/B}$$

# Results

$\sigma = 20$



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Original Image



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# Results

Hirakawa *et al.*, IEEE TIP, 2006



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Zhang *et al.*, IEEE TIP, 2007



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Zhang *et al.*, IEEE TIP, 2009



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Paliy et al., Int. J. Im. Sys. and Tech., 2007



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# Results

Proposed



# A variational interpretation

[Condat, *GRETSI*, 2009]

[Condat, *ICIP*, 2009]

- We can show that demosaicking by frequency selection (with particular filters) solves the following variational problem :

$$\mathbf{d} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{a}} \underline{\mu} \|\nabla a^L\|_{\ell_2}^2 + \|\nabla a^{G/M}\|_{\ell_2}^2 + \|\nabla a^{R/B}\|_{\ell_2}^2 \quad s.t. \quad a^{X[\mathbf{k}]} = v[\mathbf{k}], \forall \mathbf{k}$$

- Key point: the chrominance energy is more penalized:  
 $\mu \approx 0.05$  (even lower in the noisy case)
- Remark 1: the solution does not depend on the choice of the chrominance basis.
- Remark 2: this generic approach can be used with every CFA

# Improvement: minimize the TV

- Variational formulation with a new color TV:

$$\mathbf{d} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{a}} \quad \|\mathbf{a}\|_{\text{TV}} := \mu \left\| \sqrt{(\nabla_x a^L)^2 + (\nabla_y a^L)^2} \right\|_{\ell_1} + \left\| \sqrt{(\nabla_x a^{G/M})^2 + (\nabla_x a^{R/B})^2 + (\nabla_y a^{G/M})^2 + (\nabla_y a^{R/B})^2} \right\|_{\ell_1}$$

$$s.t. \quad a^X[\mathbf{k}] = v[\mathbf{k}], \quad \forall \mathbf{k}$$

+ denoise  $d^L$  in the noisy case

# TV minimization: classical strategies

- Problem:

$$\mathbf{d} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{a}} \|\mathbf{a}\|_{\text{TV}} + \iota_{\mathcal{M}\mathbf{a}=\mathbf{v}}$$

- Classical splitting approaches

- Douglas-Rachford → TV-denoising inner problem
- $\mathbf{d} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}} (\|\mathbf{b}\|_{\ell_1} + \iota_{\mathcal{M}\mathbf{a}=\mathbf{v}}) + \iota_{\nabla \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}}$ 
  - + Douglas-Rachford → Poisson equation to solve
- $\mathbf{d} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}} (\|\mathbf{b}\|_{\ell_1} + \iota_{\mathcal{M}\mathbf{a}=\mathbf{v}}) + \iota_{\nabla \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{b}}$ 
  - + Predictor-corrector proximal multiplier (PCPM) method of Chen and Teboulle (1994) → very slow

# Primal-dual minimization strategies

- More recently: several papers on primal-dual approaches, combine the advantages of PCPM and augmented Lagrangian methods:
  - Zhu and Chan, 2008, “An efficient primal-dual hybrid gradient algorithm for total variation image restoration”
  - Esser, Zhang and Chan, 2009, “A general framework for a class of first order primal-dual algorithms for TV minimization”
  - Zhang, Burger, Osher, 2009, “A unified primal-dual algorithm framework based on Bregman iteration”
  - Chambolle and Pock, 2010, “A first-order primal-dual algorithm for convex problems with applications to imaging”

# Primal-dual algorithm

- Initialization: with the frequency selection method.
- Choose  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $\beta = 1/(8.01\alpha)$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = (0)$
- Iterate
  - $\forall X \in \{R, G, B\}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^X = \mathbf{b}_{(n)}^X + \alpha \nabla \bar{d}_{(n)}^X$
  - $\forall \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^L[\mathbf{k}] = \frac{\mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^L[\mathbf{k}]}{\max(1, |\mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^L[\mathbf{k}]|/\mu)}$
  - $\forall \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ ,  $\forall X \in \{G/M, R/B\}$ ,  $\mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^X[\mathbf{k}] = \frac{\mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^X[\mathbf{k}]}{\max(1, \sqrt{|\mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^{G/M}[\mathbf{k}]|^2 + |\mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^{R/B}[\mathbf{k}]|^2})}$
  - $\forall X \in \{R, G, B\}$ ,  $d_{(n+1)}^X = d_{(n)}^X + \beta \operatorname{div} \mathbf{b}_{(n+1)}^X$
  - $\forall \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^2$ ,  $d_{(n+1)}^{X[\mathbf{k}]}[\mathbf{k}] = v[\mathbf{k}]$
  - $\bar{\mathbf{d}}_{(n+1)} = 2\mathbf{d}_{(n+1)} - \mathbf{d}_{(n)}$

$\sigma = 20$

# Result

Method by frequency selection



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# Result

Method by TV minimization



# Take away messages

- Two steps process:
  - demosaick so that the chrominance is well recovered  
→ the noise goes automatically in the luminance
  - denoise the luminance
- The proposed linear demosaicking approach is simple, fast and efficient
  - complexity: two convolutions + grayscale denoising only
- TV minimization approach: even better.
  - Efficient primal-dual strategy: optimal  $O(1/n)$  convergence, 50 iterations enough