

# Mean shift<sup>1</sup>

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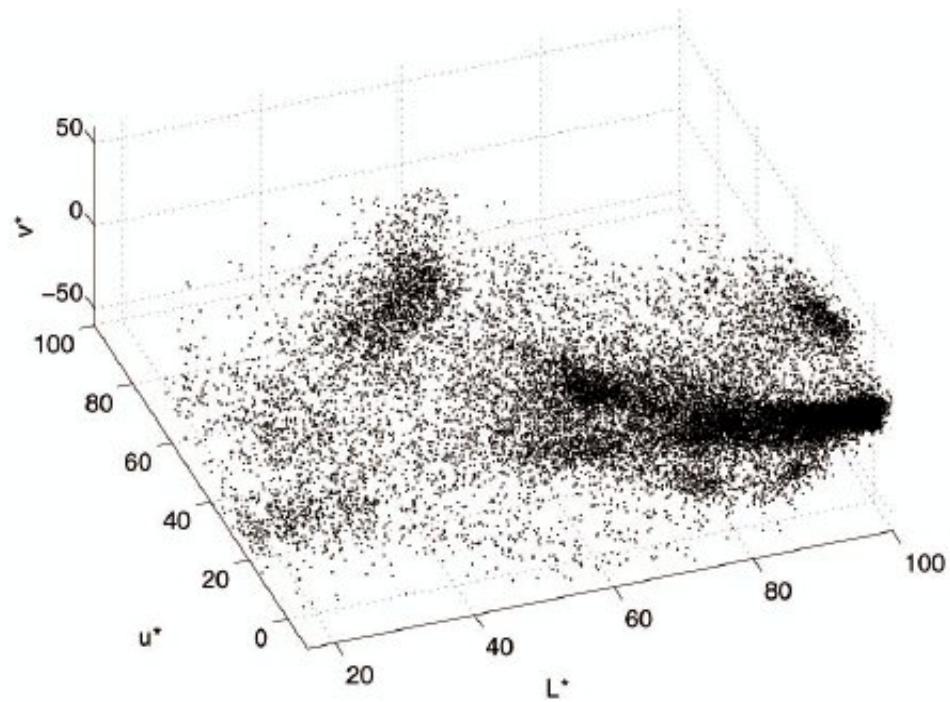
## Talk Outline

- ◆ appearance based tracking
- ◆ patch similarity using histogram
- ◆ tracking by mean shift
- ◆ experiments, discussion

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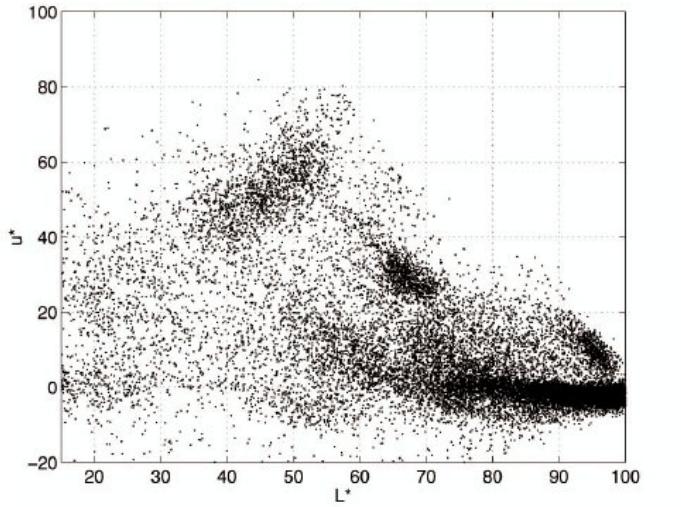
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# Meanshift segmentation of colours - color distribution

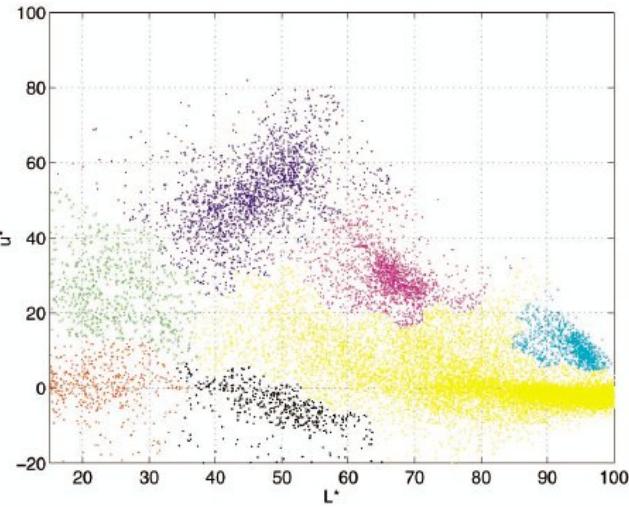


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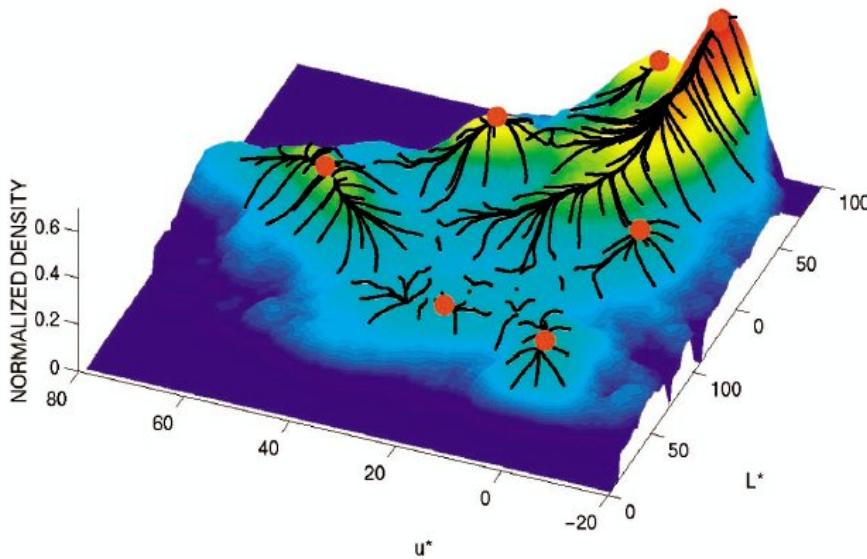
# Meanshift segmentation of colours - color modes seeking



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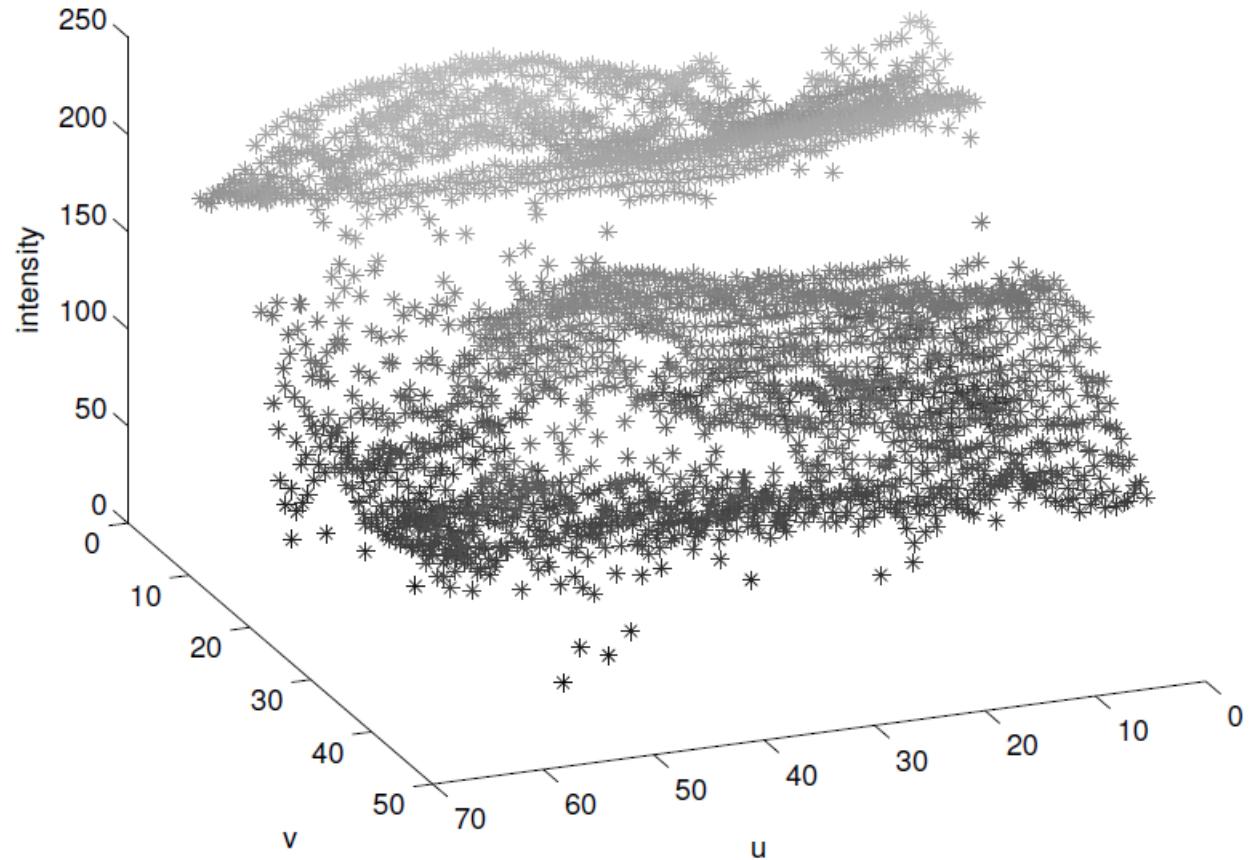
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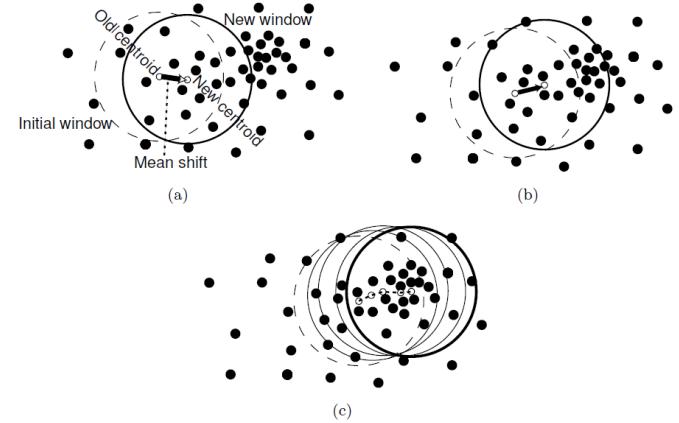
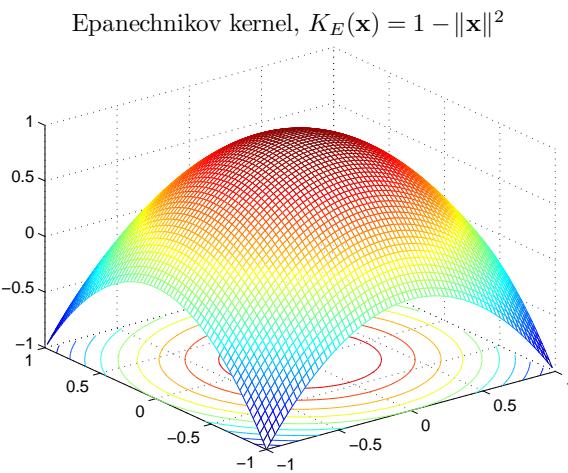
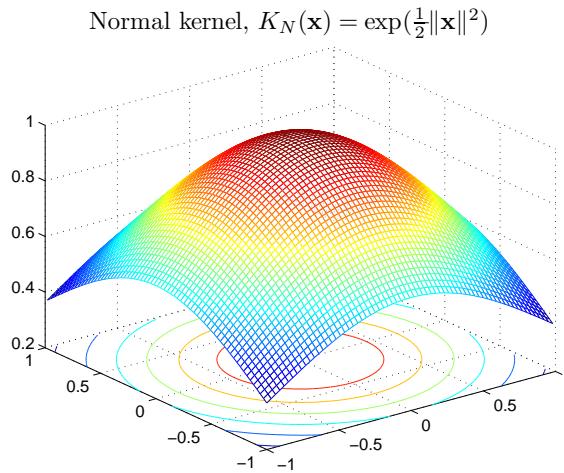
# Mean shift segmentation - intensity and space



$u, v$  are here spatial pixel coordinates

different normalization for intensity and spatial coordinates

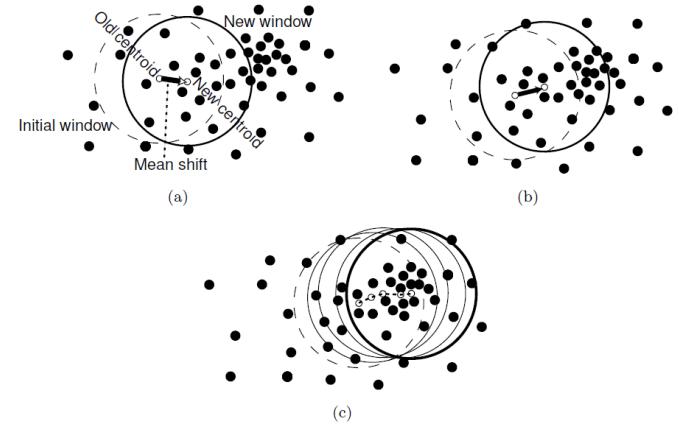
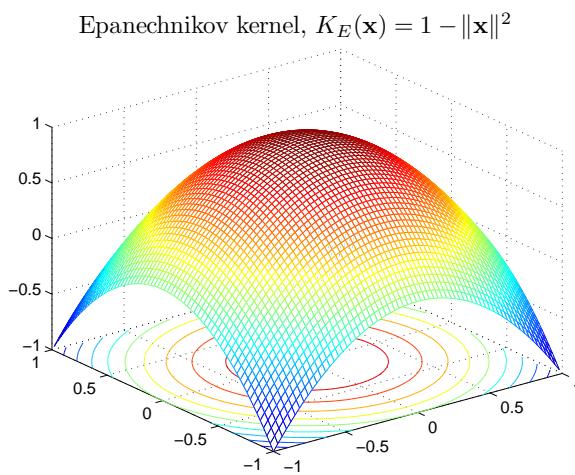
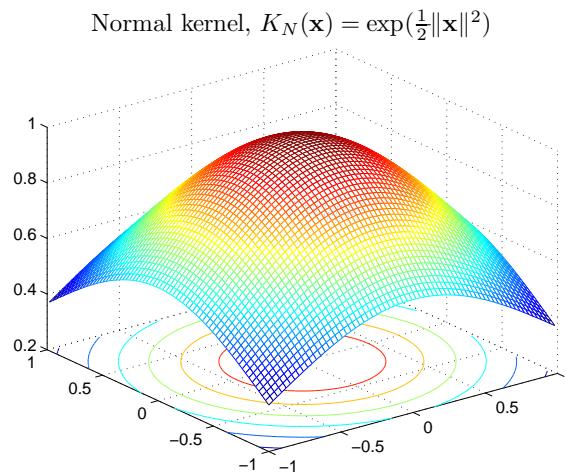
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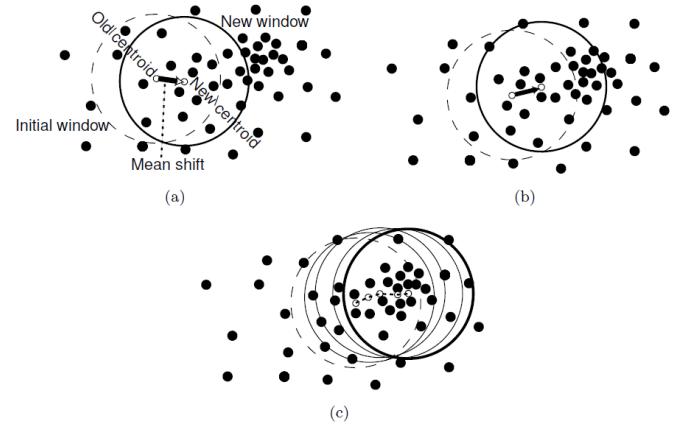
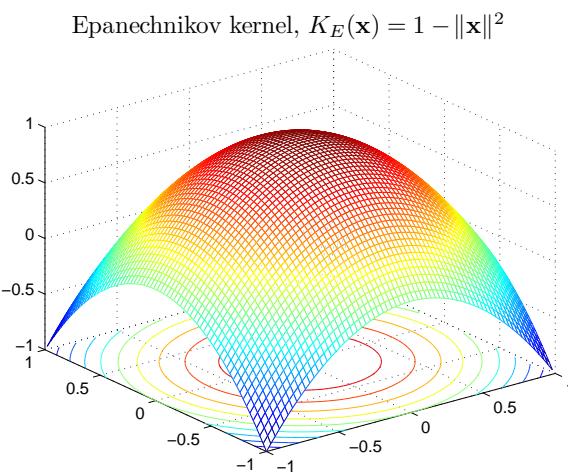
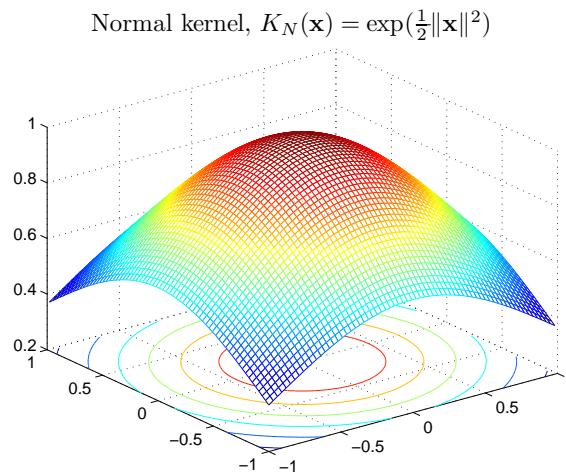


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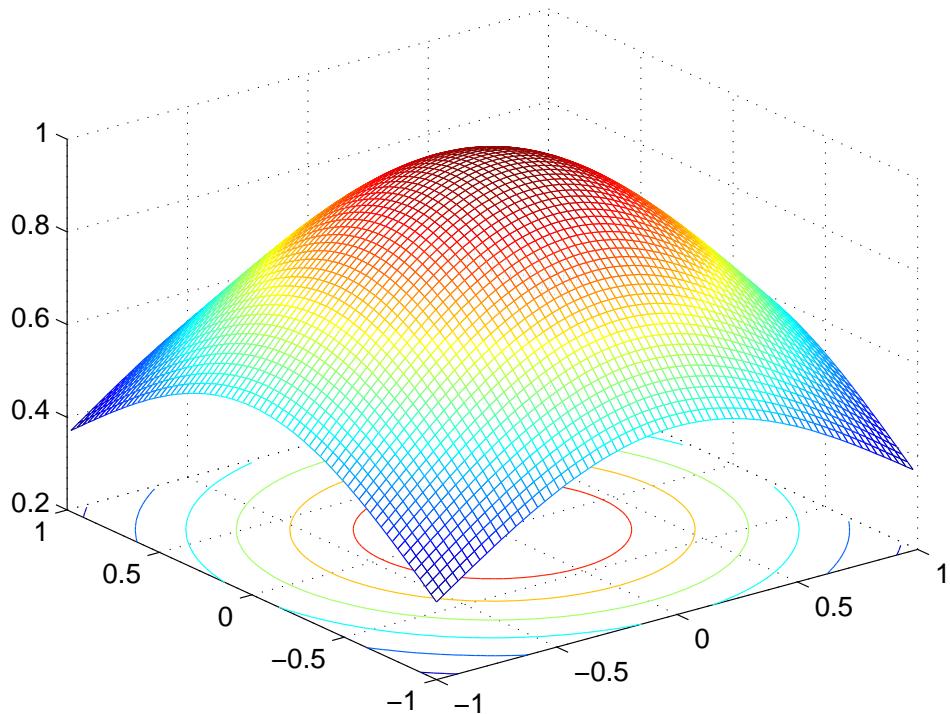
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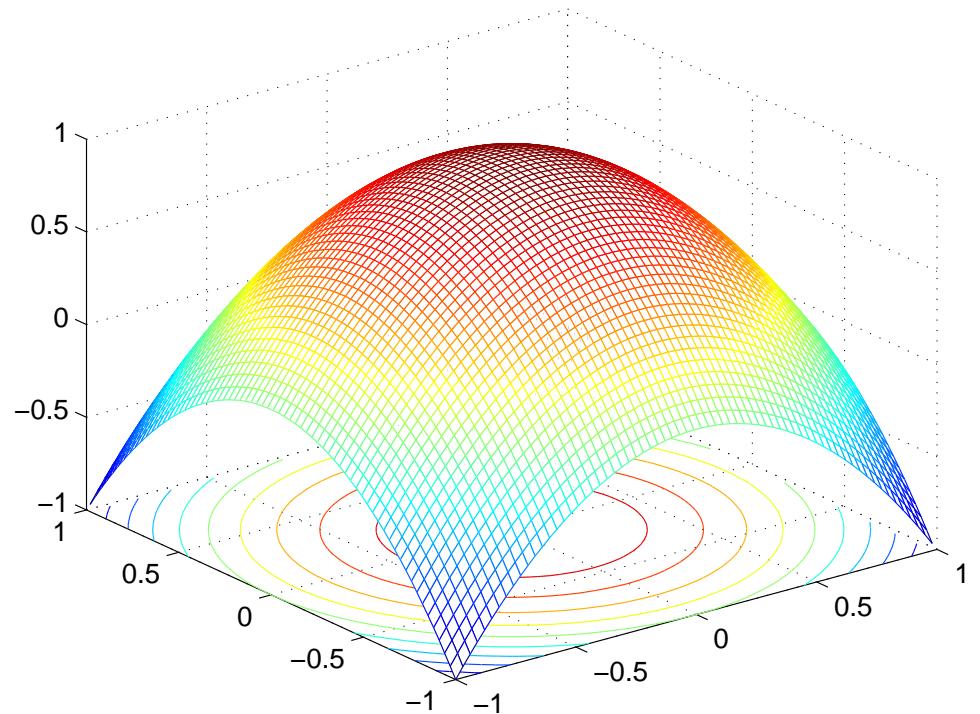
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# Kernels and profiles

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Kernel profile:

$$k_N(x) = \exp\left(-\frac{x}{2}\right), \text{ for } x \geq 0.$$

$$K_E(\mathbf{x}) = c(1 - \|\mathbf{x}\|^2) \quad \text{if } \|\mathbf{x}\| \leq 1;$$

Kernel profile:

$$k_E(x) = 1 - x, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

# Differentiating density estimator II

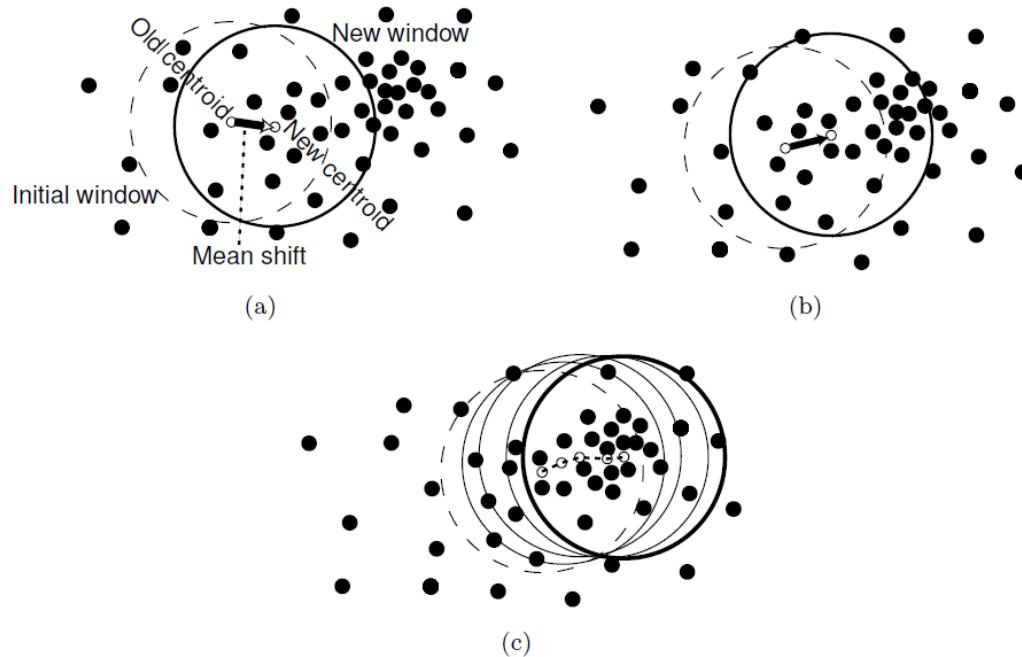
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using profiles, instead of kernels

$$K\left(\frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i}{h}\right) = c_k k\left(\left|\left|\frac{\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_i}{h}\right|\right|^2\right)$$

*Detailed derivation/explanation on the board and in the talk-note.pdf.*

# Mean-shift iterations



Assuming a reasonable differentiable kernel  $K$ , iterate till convergence:

$$\mathbf{y}_{k+1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{x}_i g(\|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{x}_i\|^2)}{\sum_{i=1}^n g(\|\mathbf{y}_k - \mathbf{x}_i\|^2)}$$

$g$  is the derivative of **kernel profile**.

# Mean shift segmentation - visionbook demo

chapter 7, [5], <http://visionbook.felk.cvut.cz/downloads.html>

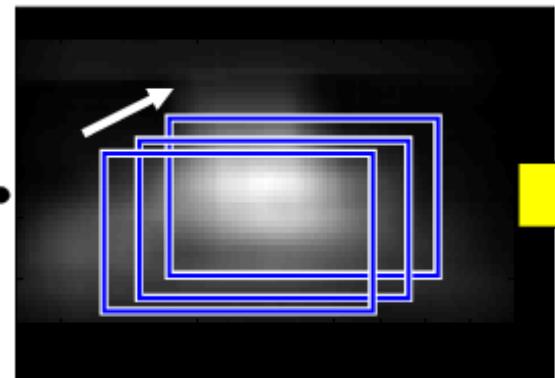
$$K(\mathbf{x}) = c k_E \left( \left\| \frac{\mathbf{x}^s}{h_s} \right\|^2 + \left\| \frac{\mathbf{x}^r}{h_r} \right\|^2 \right),$$

# Appearance based tracking

current frame +  
previous location



likelihood over  
object location



current location



appearance model

(e.g. image template, or



color; intensity; edge histograms)

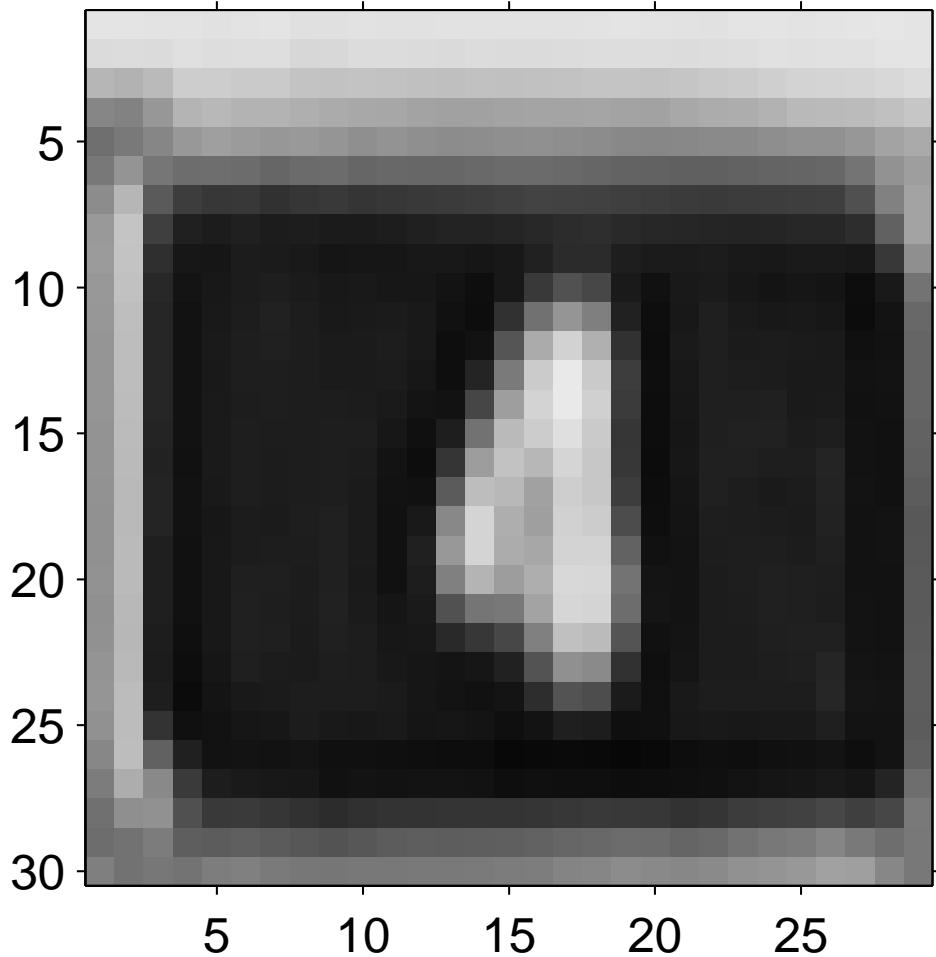


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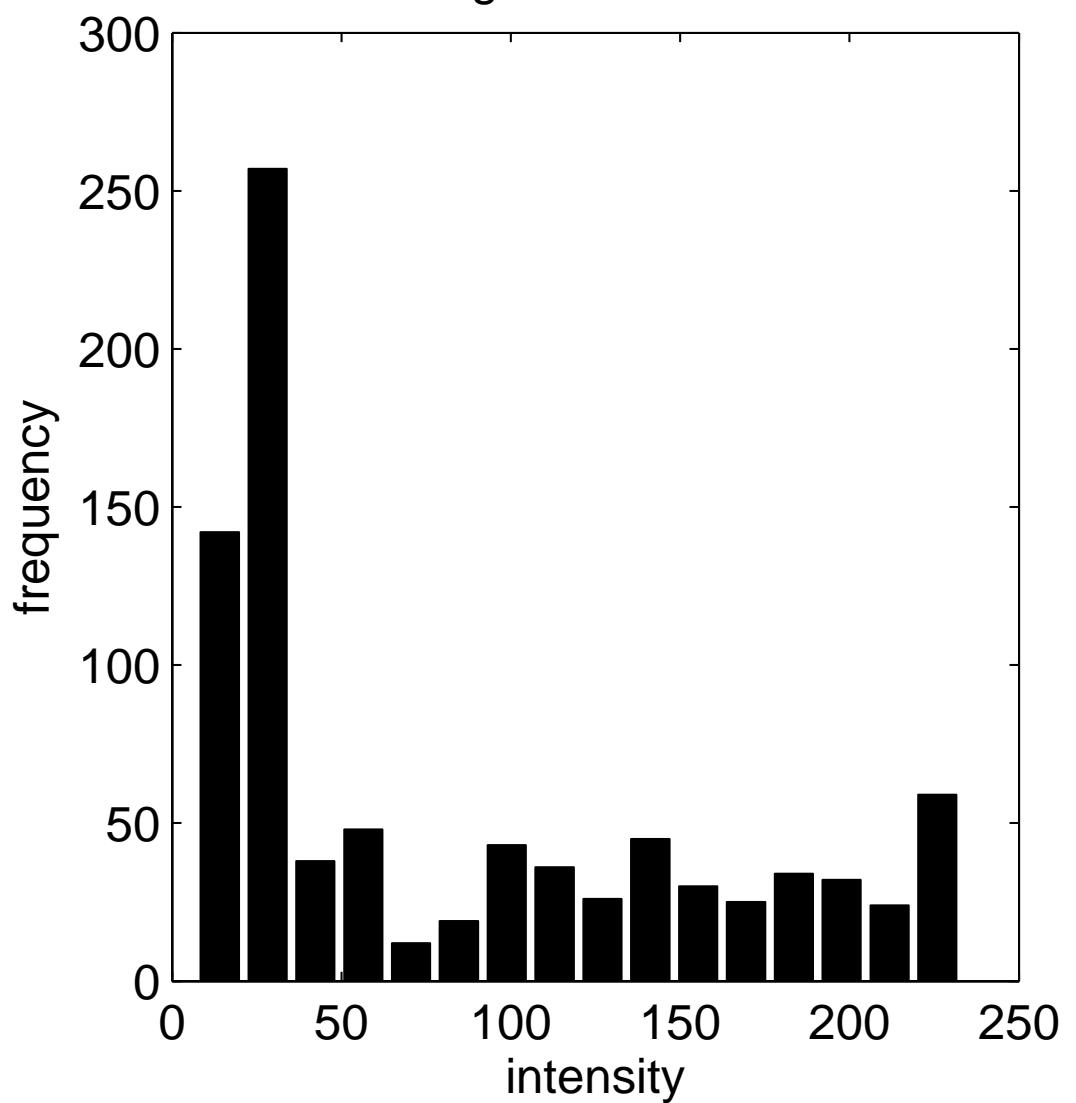
(e.g. mean-shift; Lucas-Kanade;  
particle filtering)

# Histogram based representation

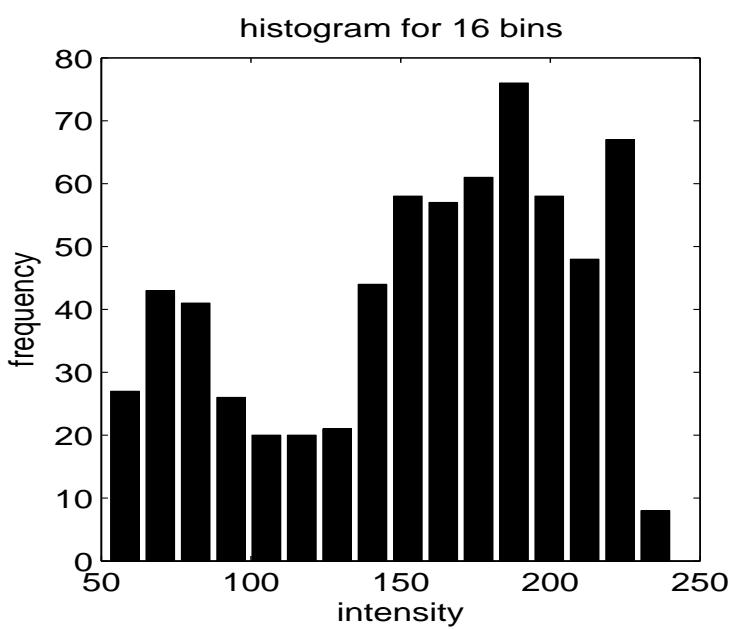
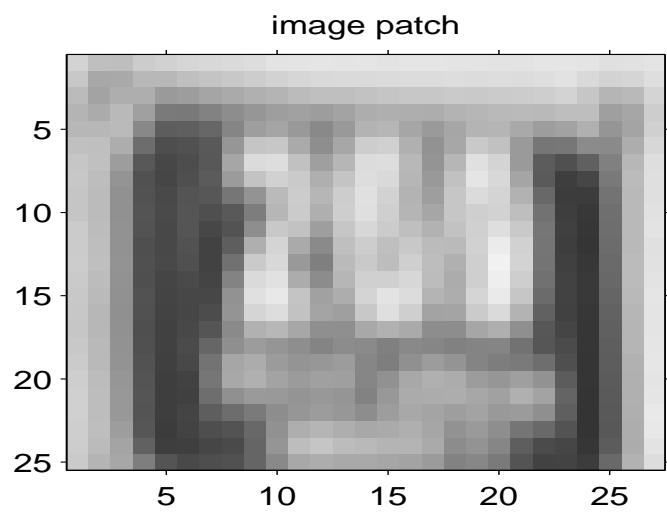
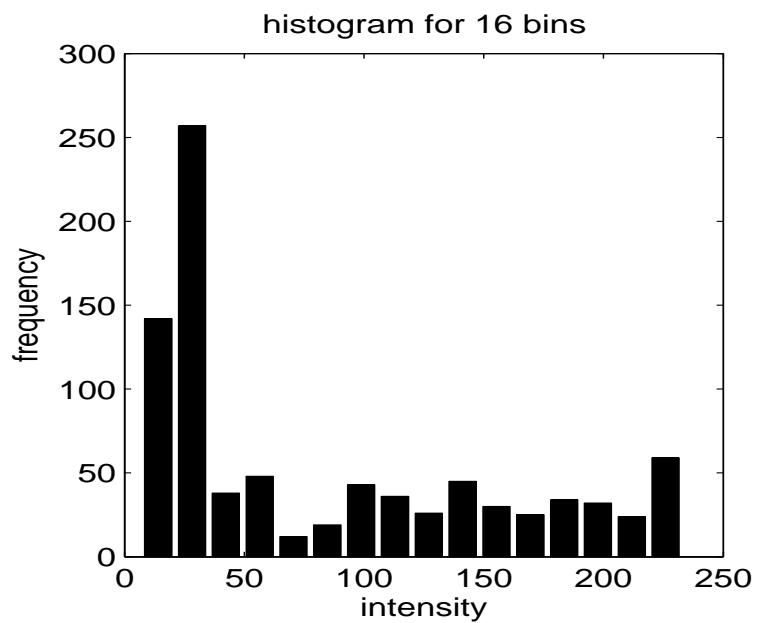
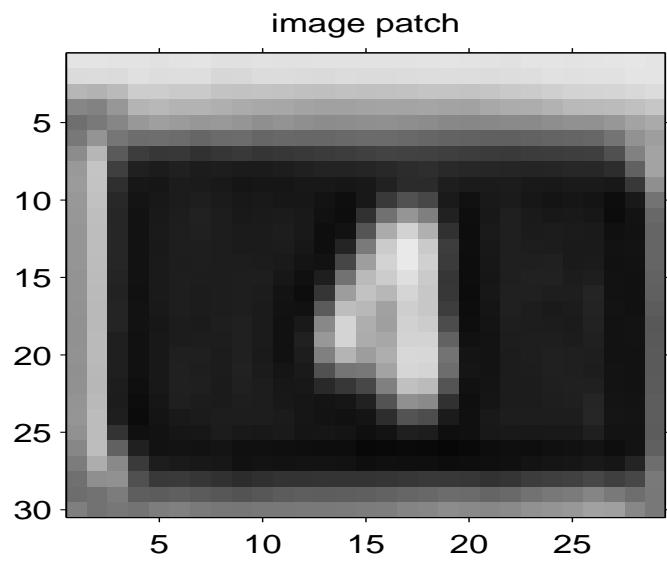
image patch



histogram for 16 bins



# Patch comparison



# histogram difference

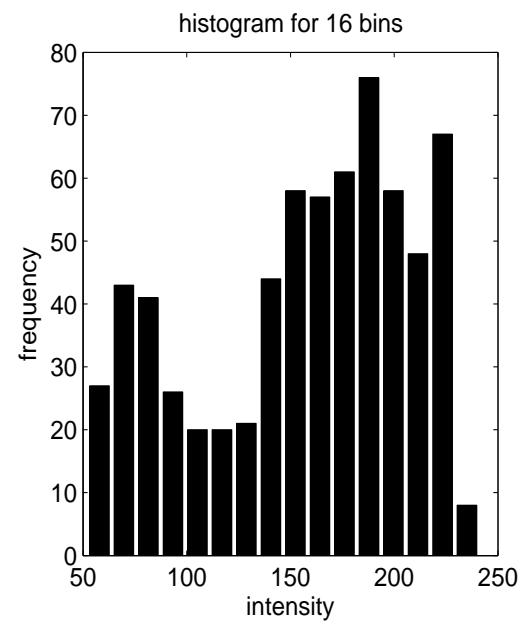
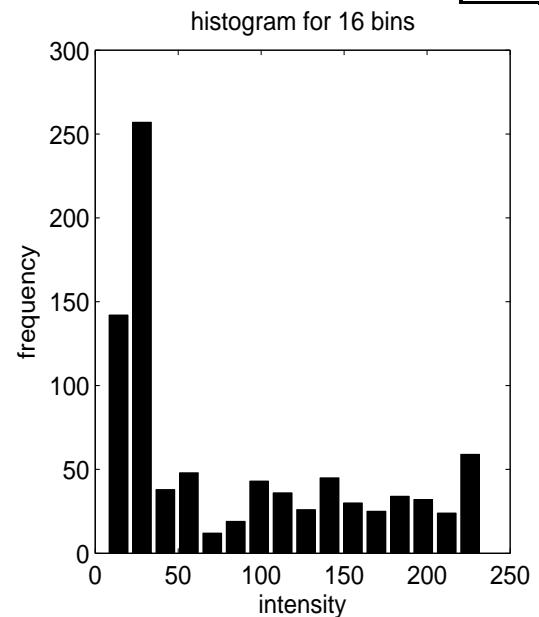
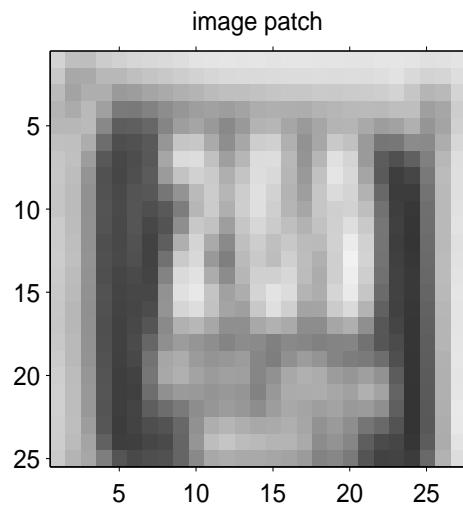
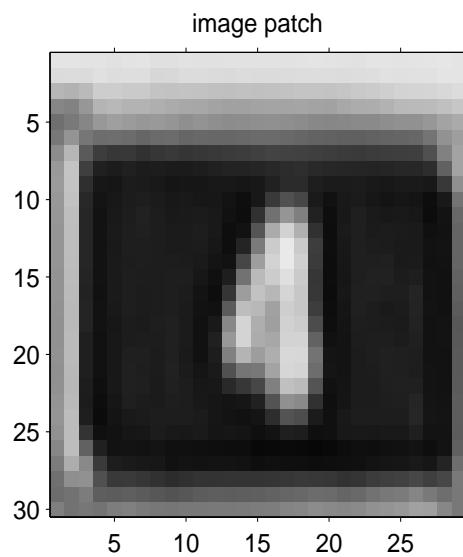
assume **normalized** histograms, i.e

$$\sum_{u=1}^m p_u = 1$$

$$d = \sqrt{1 - \rho[p, q]}$$

where  $\rho[p, q]$  is the **Bhattacharyya coefficient**

$$\rho[p, q] = \sum_{u=1}^m \sqrt{p_u q_u}$$

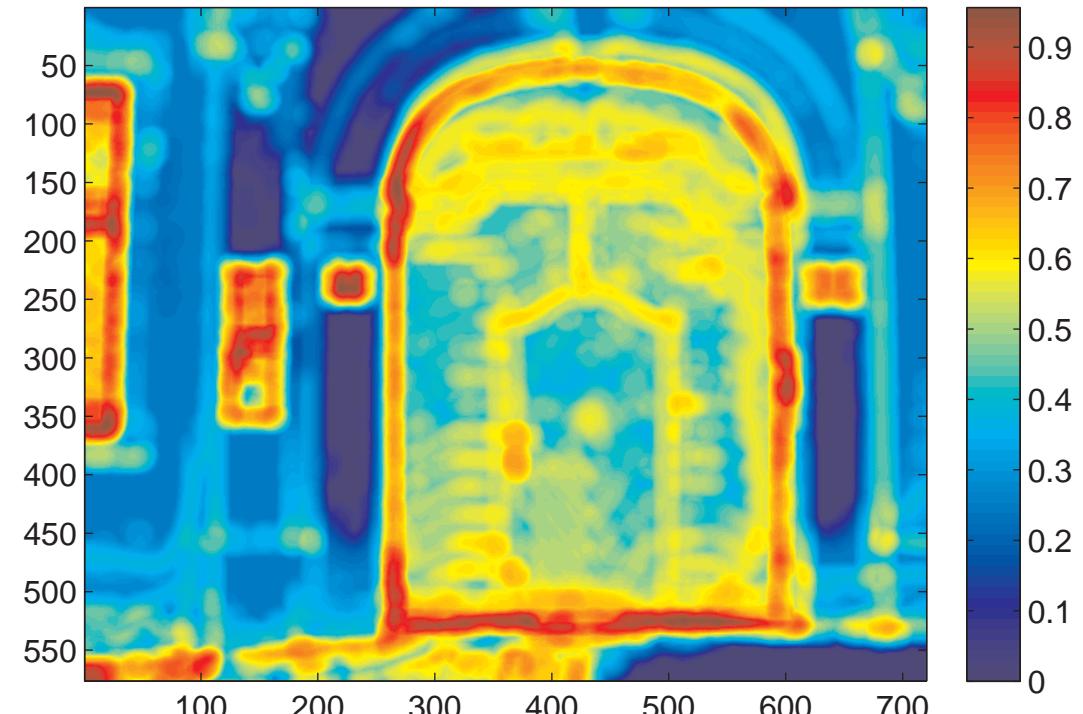


# Similarity measured by the Bhattacharyya coefficient

Example of an input image



Similarity surface of the frame 206

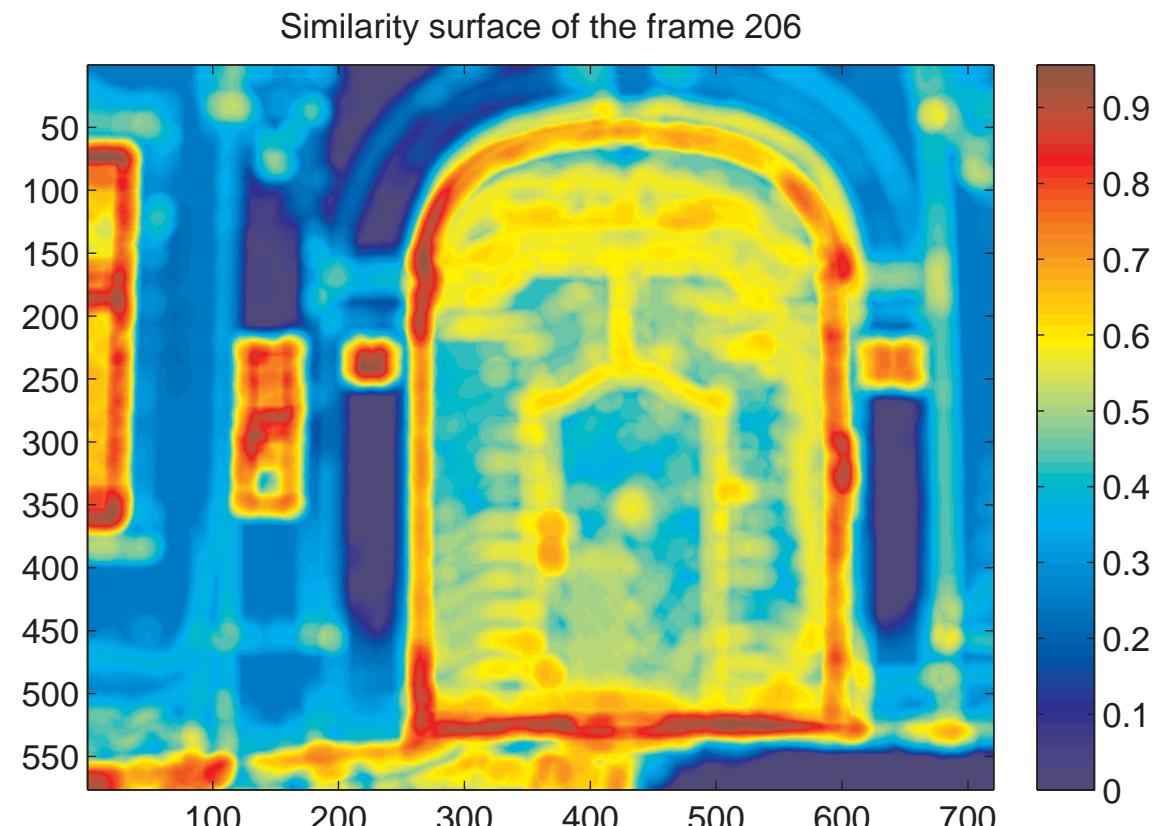
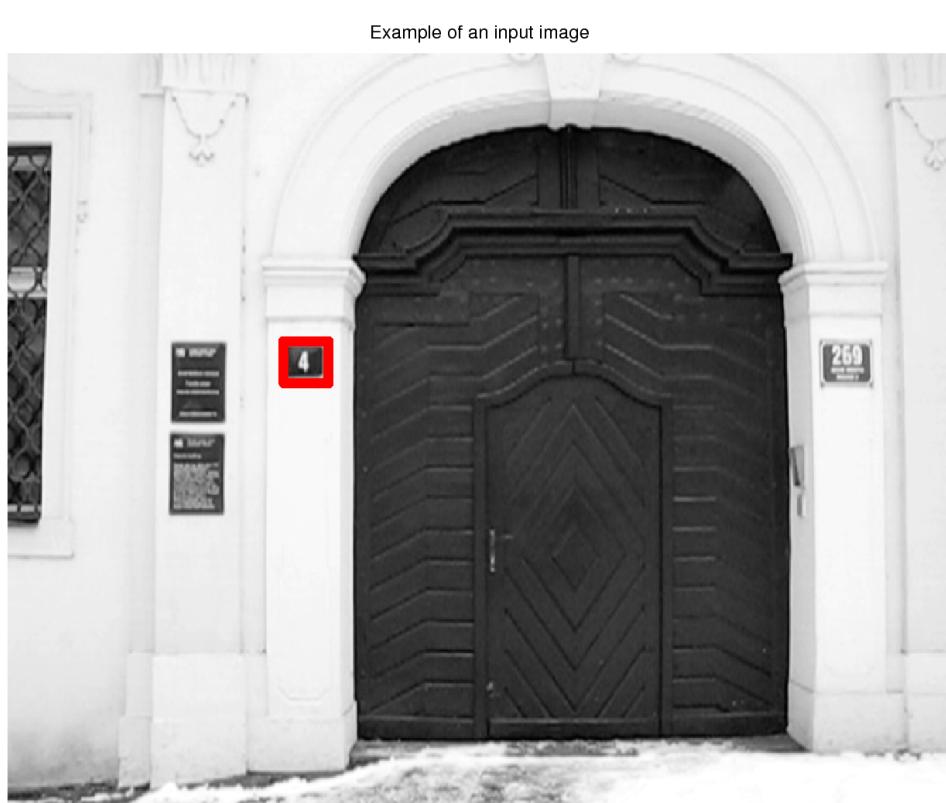


The object is the “4” plate and the model is histogram of image intensities.

$$s(\mathbf{y}) = \sum_{u=1}^m \sqrt{p_u(\mathbf{y})q_u}$$

where  $p(\mathbf{y})$  is the histogram of image patch at position  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $q$  is the histogram of the template.

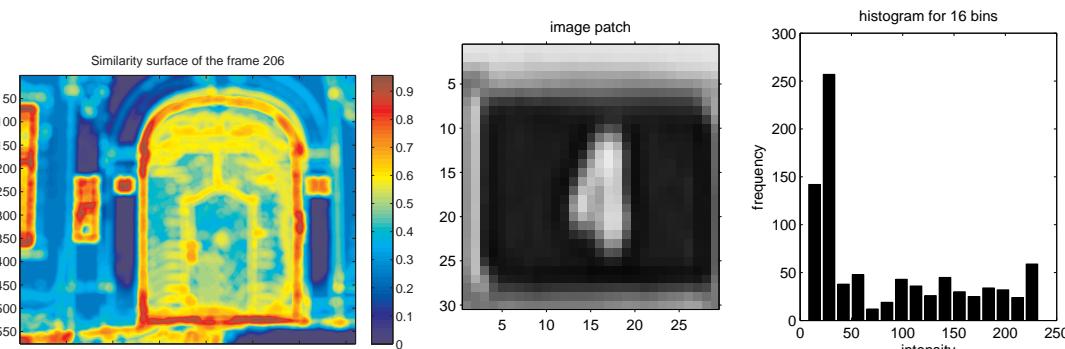
# Problem: finding modes in probability density



- ◆ the complete enumeration of similarity surface can be costly,
- ◆ can we do it faster and more elegantly?

# Mean-shift tracking - Bhattacharya coefficient

$$s(\mathbf{y}) = \sum_{u=1}^m \sqrt{p_u(\mathbf{y}) q_u}$$



model, coordinates  $\mathbf{x}_i^*$  centered at  $\mathbf{0}$ :

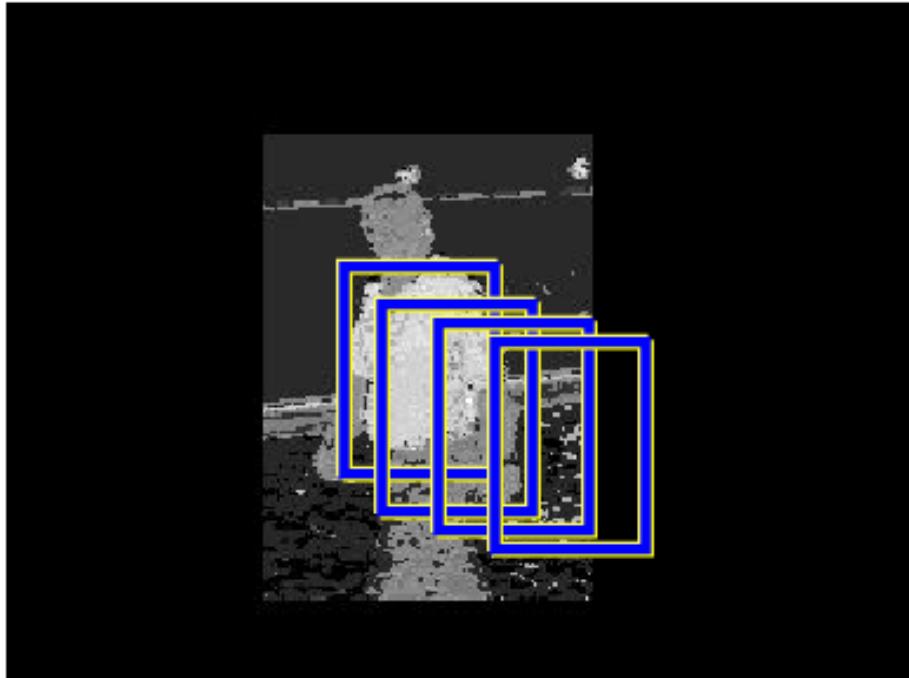
$$q_u = C \sum_{i=1}^n k(\|\mathbf{x}_i^*\|^2) \delta(b(\mathbf{x}_i^*) - u)$$

target candidate centered at  $\mathbf{y}$ :

$$p_u(\mathbf{y}) = C_h \sum_{i=1}^{n_h} k\left(\left\|\frac{\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{x}_i}{h}\right\|^2\right) \delta(b(\mathbf{x}_i) - u)$$

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# Mean-shift tracking - ratio histogram



Ratio histogram:

$$r_u = \min \left( \frac{q_u}{p_u}, 1 \right)$$

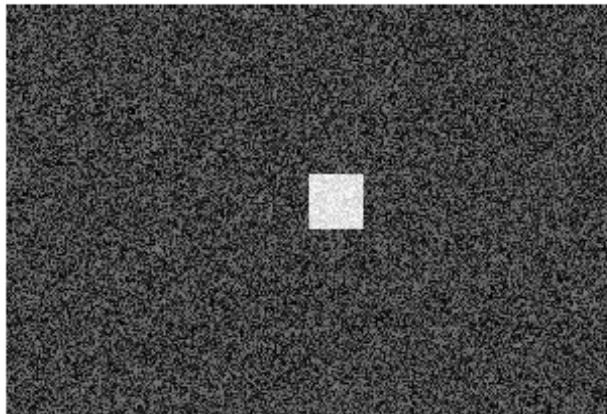
where  $q$  is the histogram of the target and  $p$  is the histogram of the **current frame**.  $w_i = r_{b(\mathbf{x}_i)}$  (just binning)

Image intensities (or colors) are transformed into **weights**,  $w_i$ , by back projection of the ratio histogram. Mean-shift iterations:

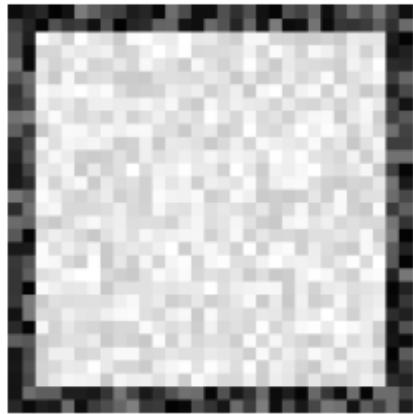
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# ms tracking - object and its model

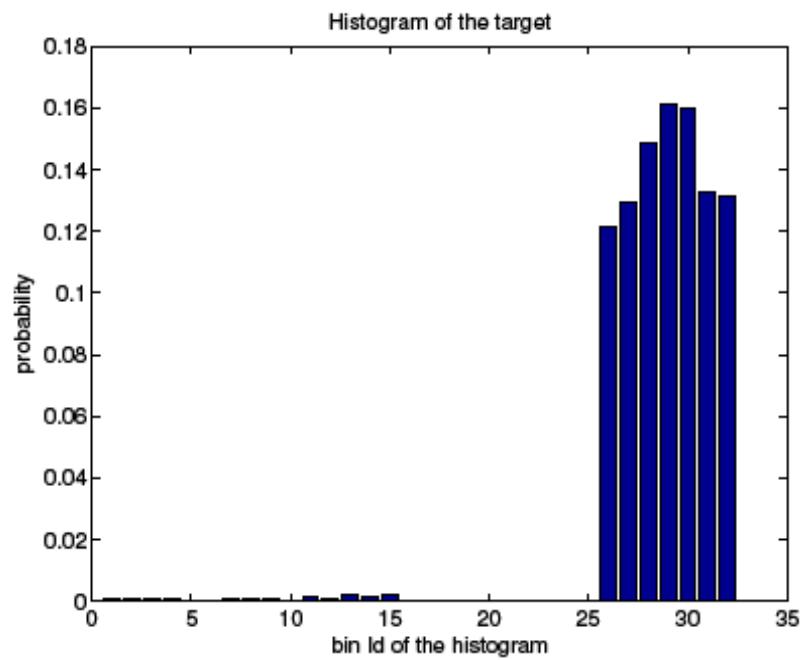
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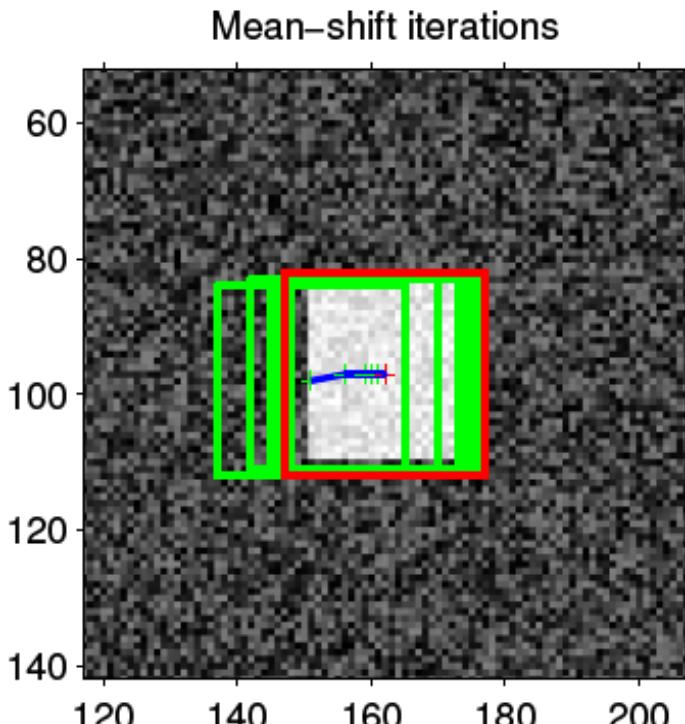
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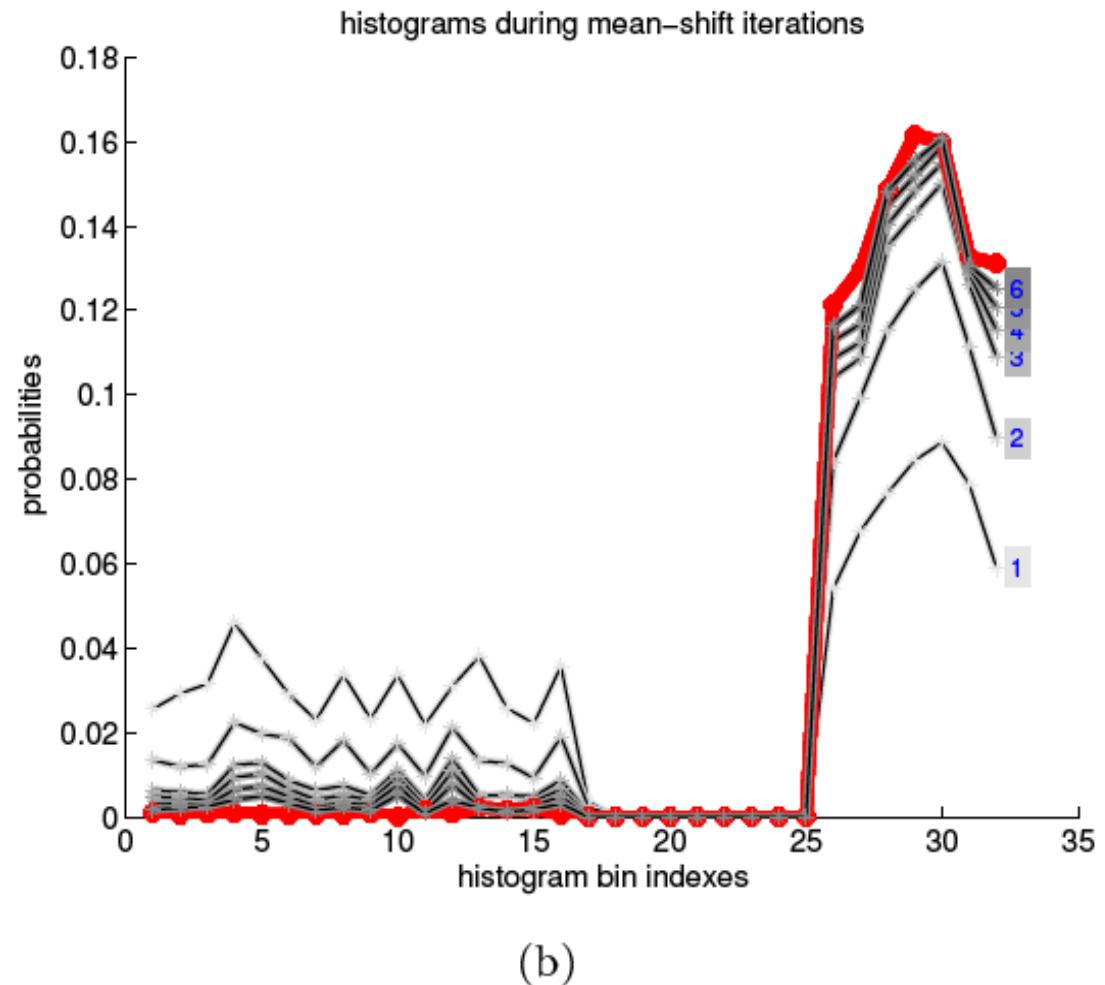
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# ms tracking - iterations



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*maximizing the Bhattacharyya coefficient*

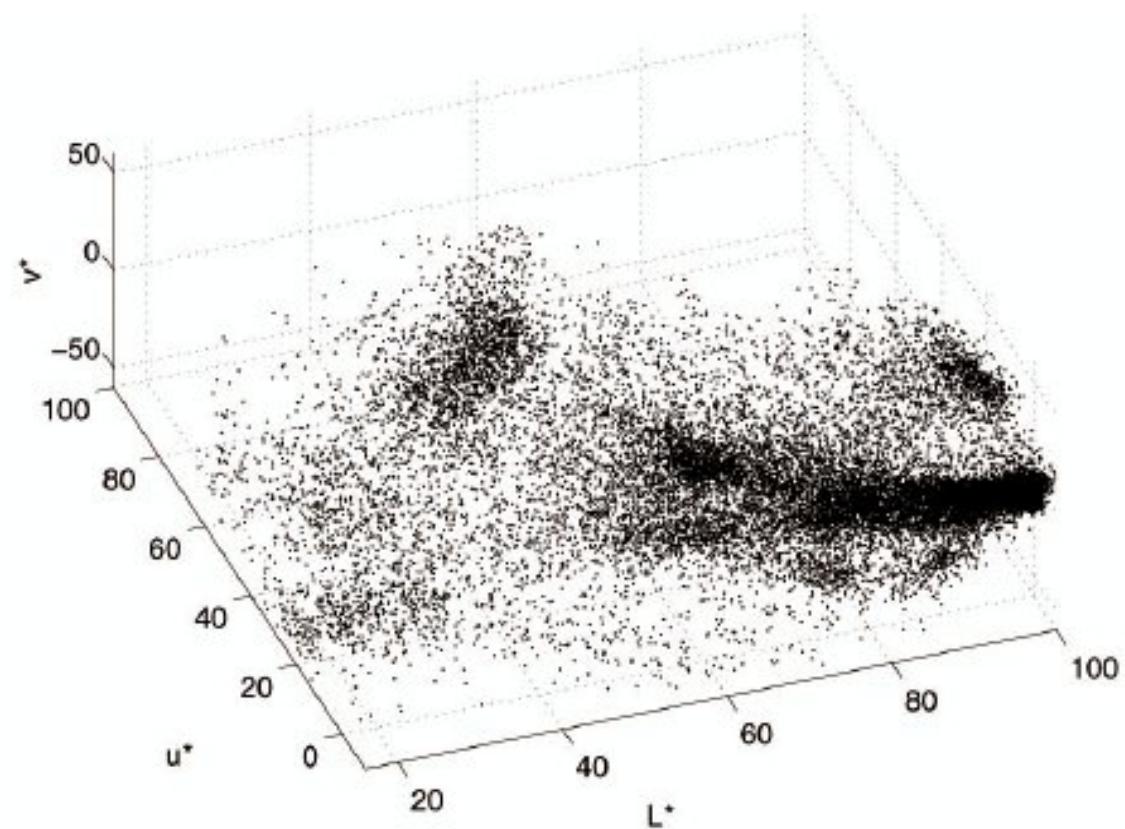
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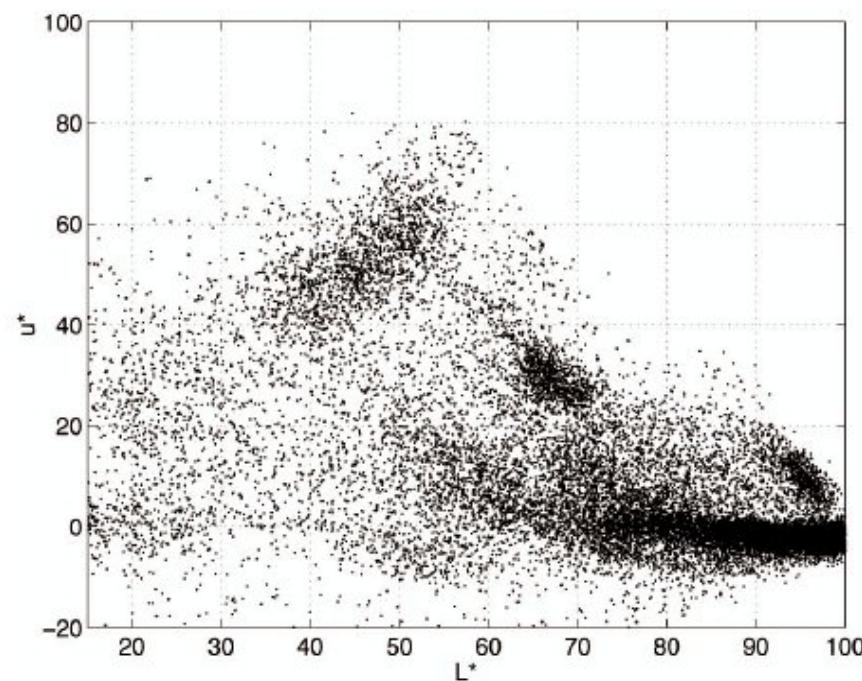
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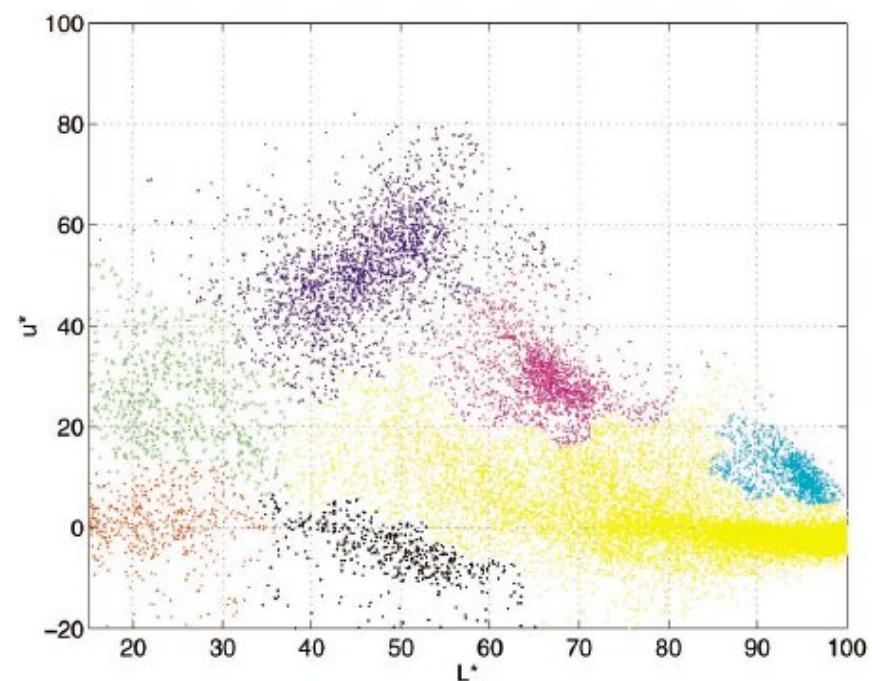
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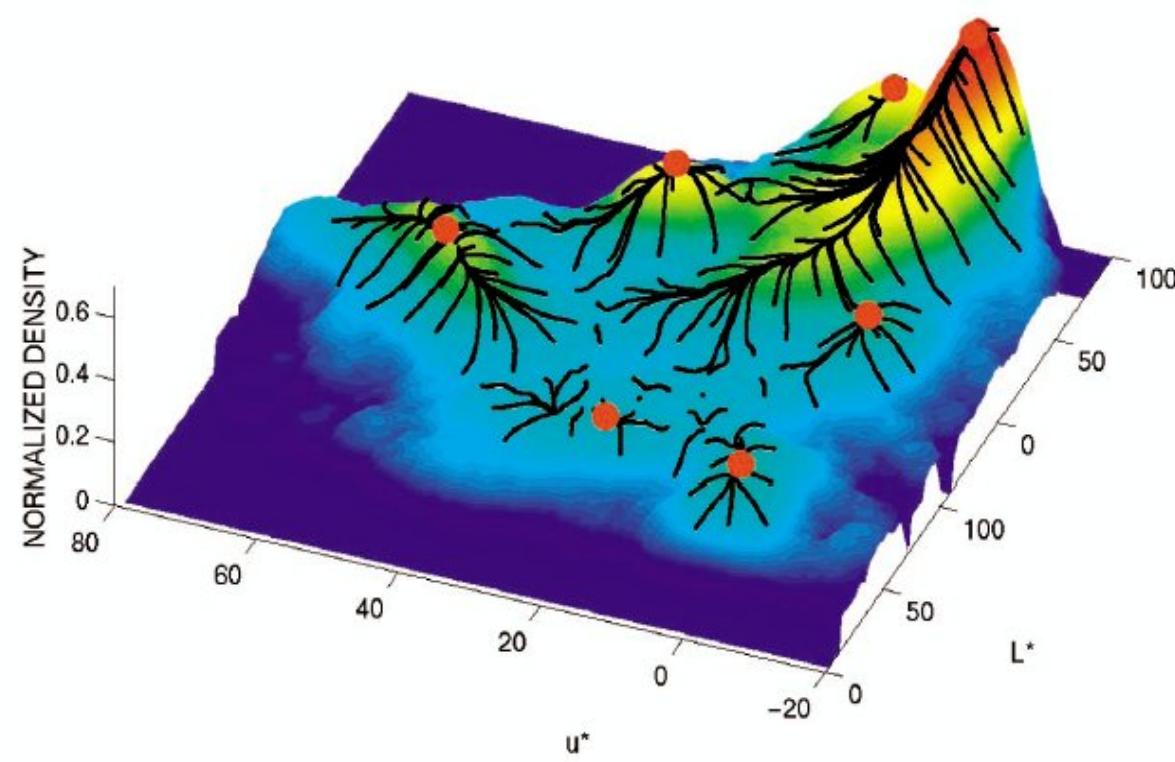




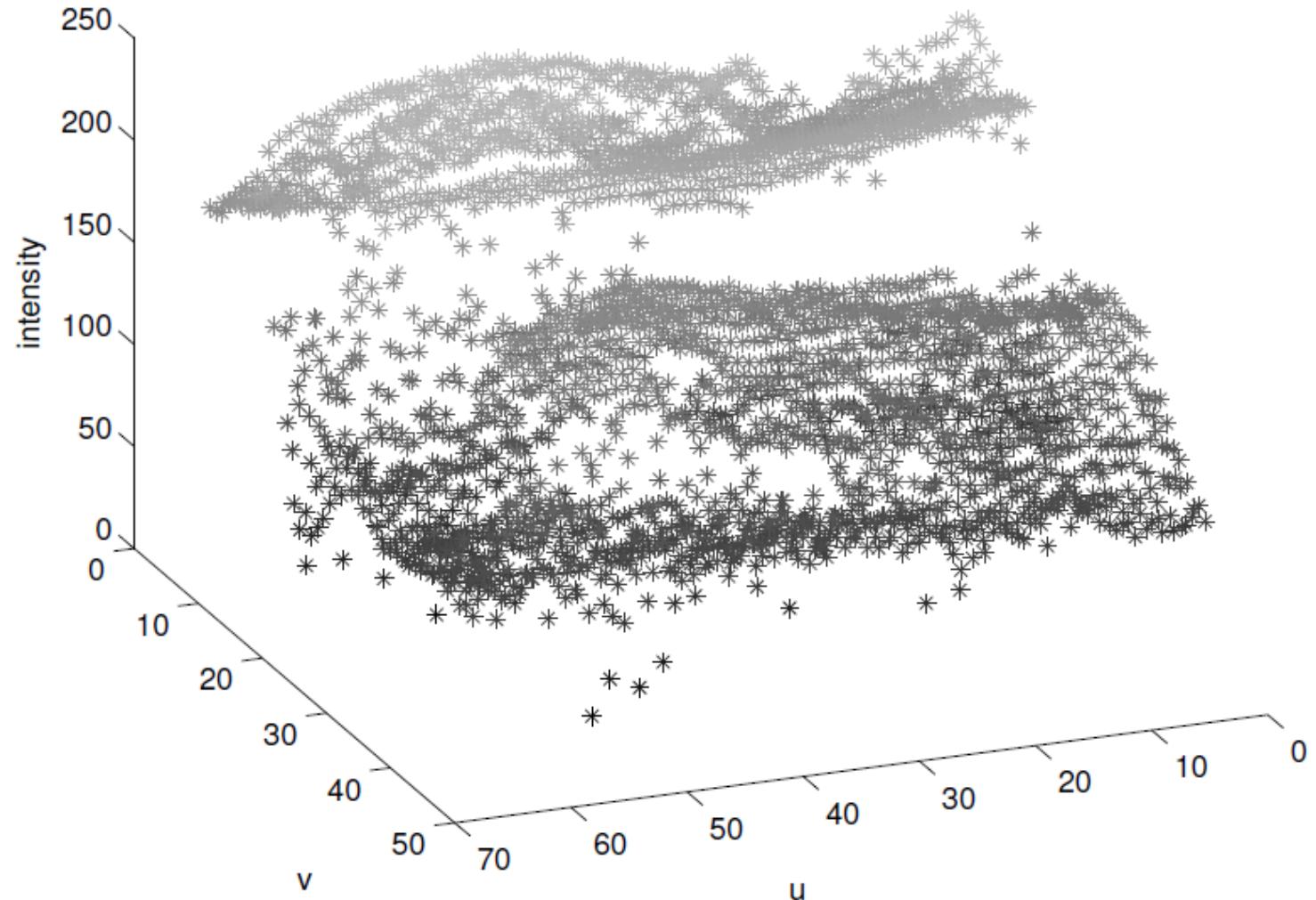
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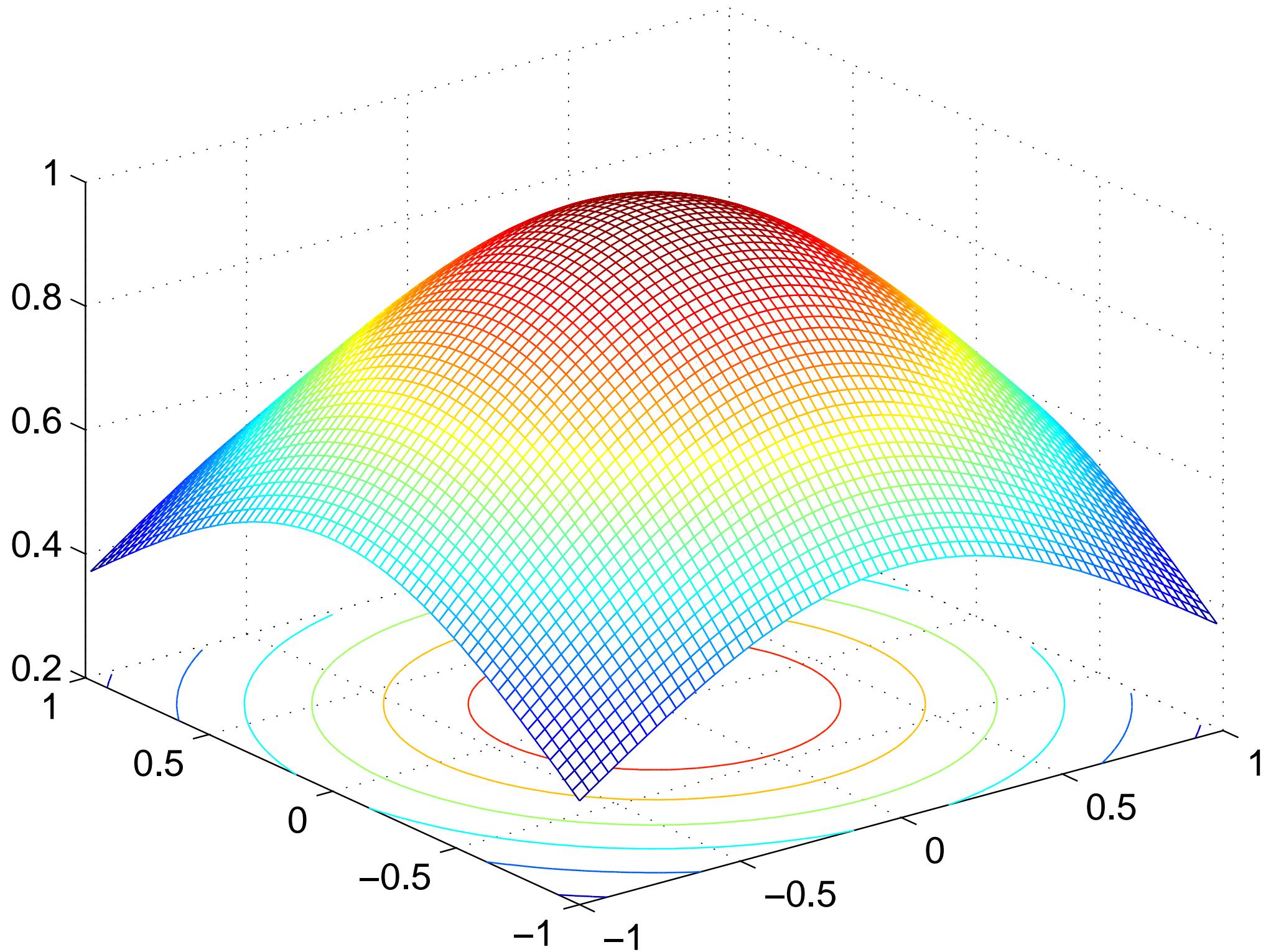
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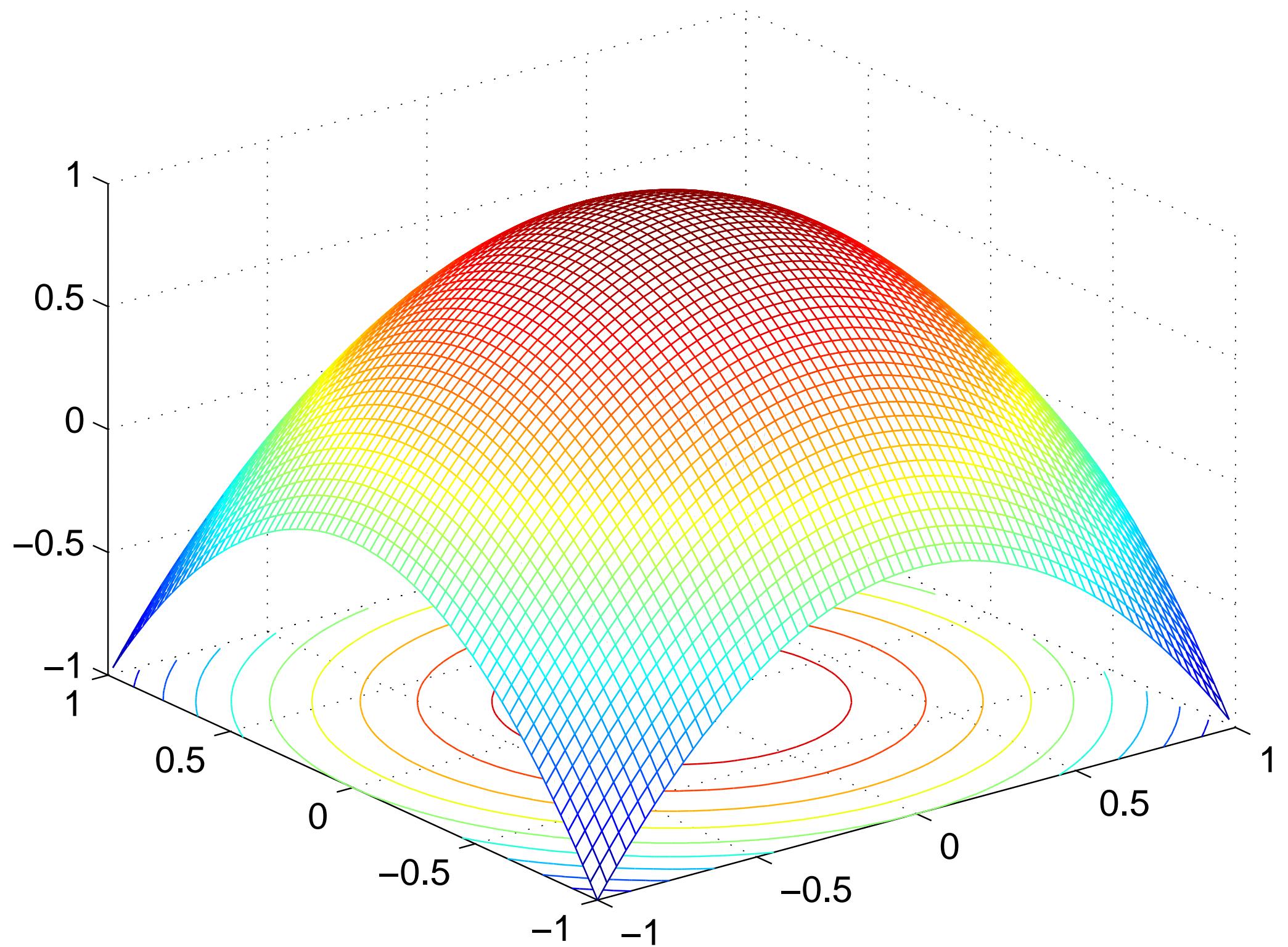
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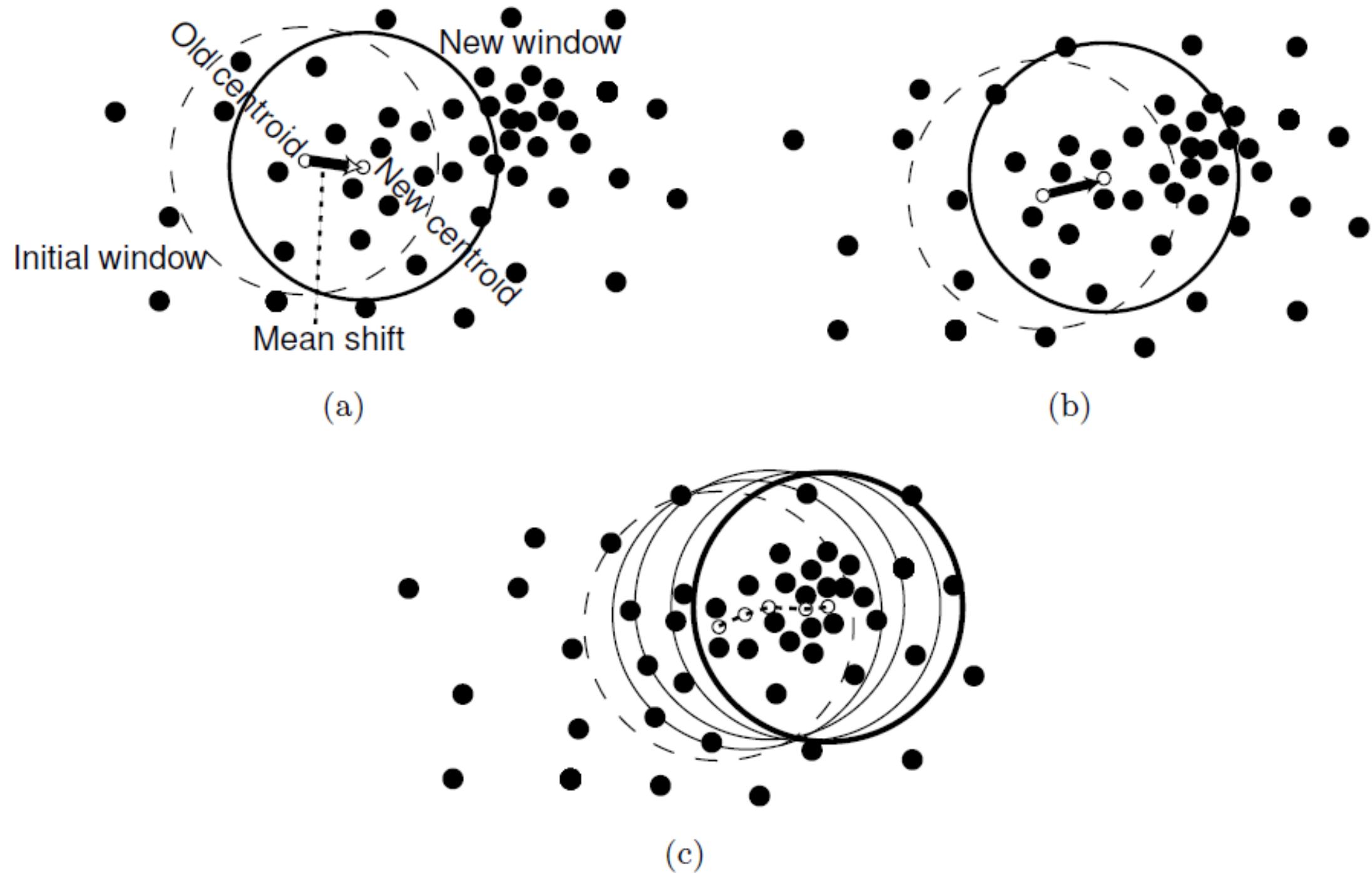


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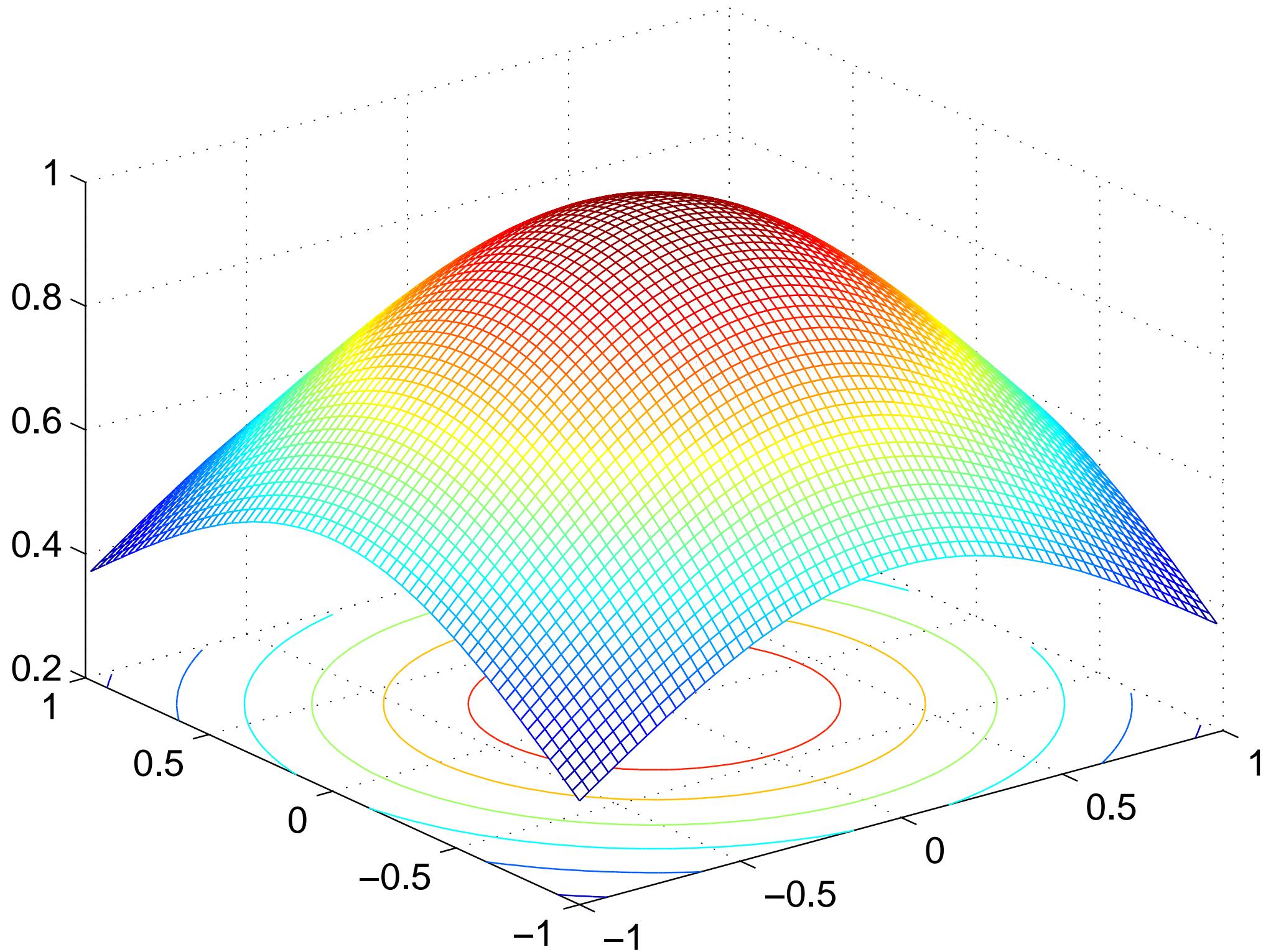


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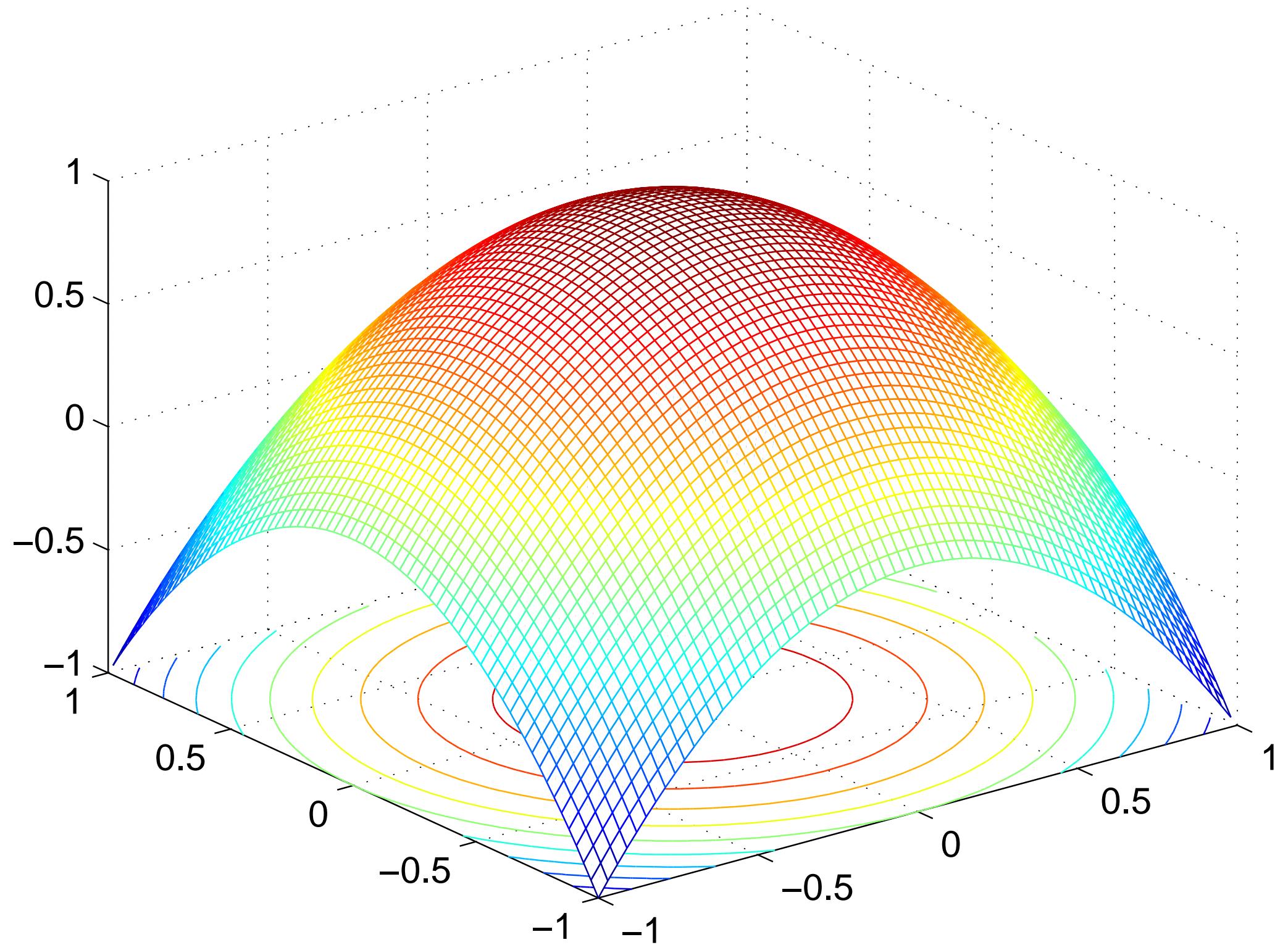


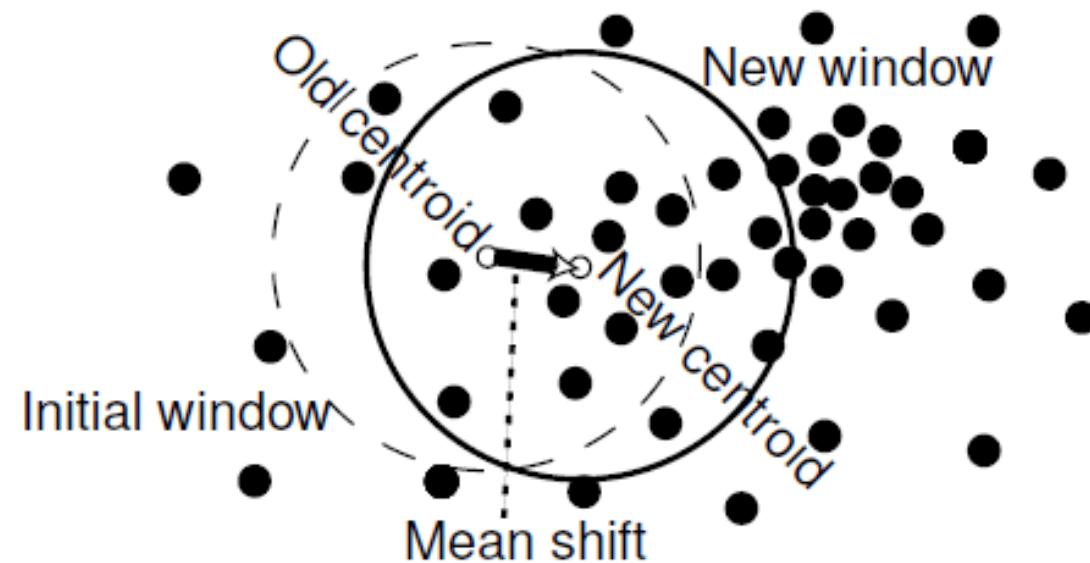


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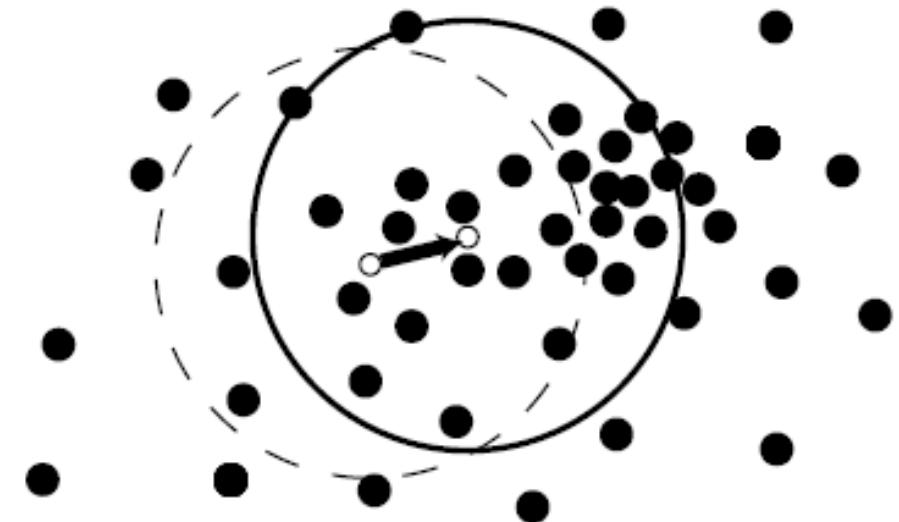


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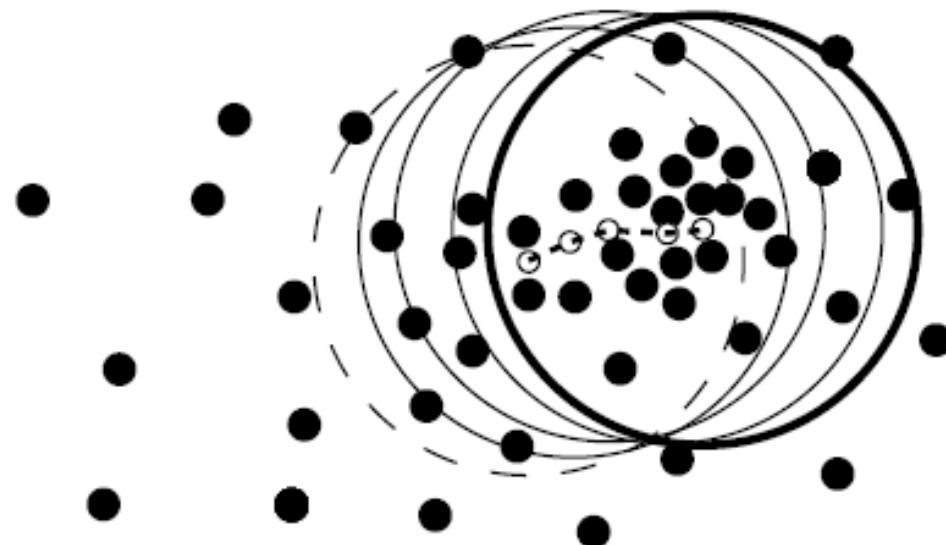




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(b)



(c)

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previous location



appearance model

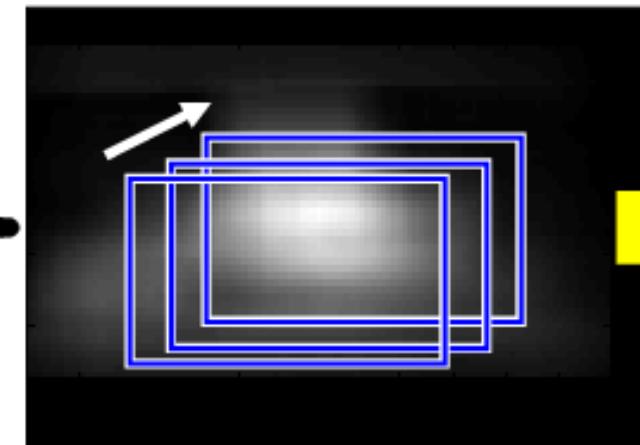
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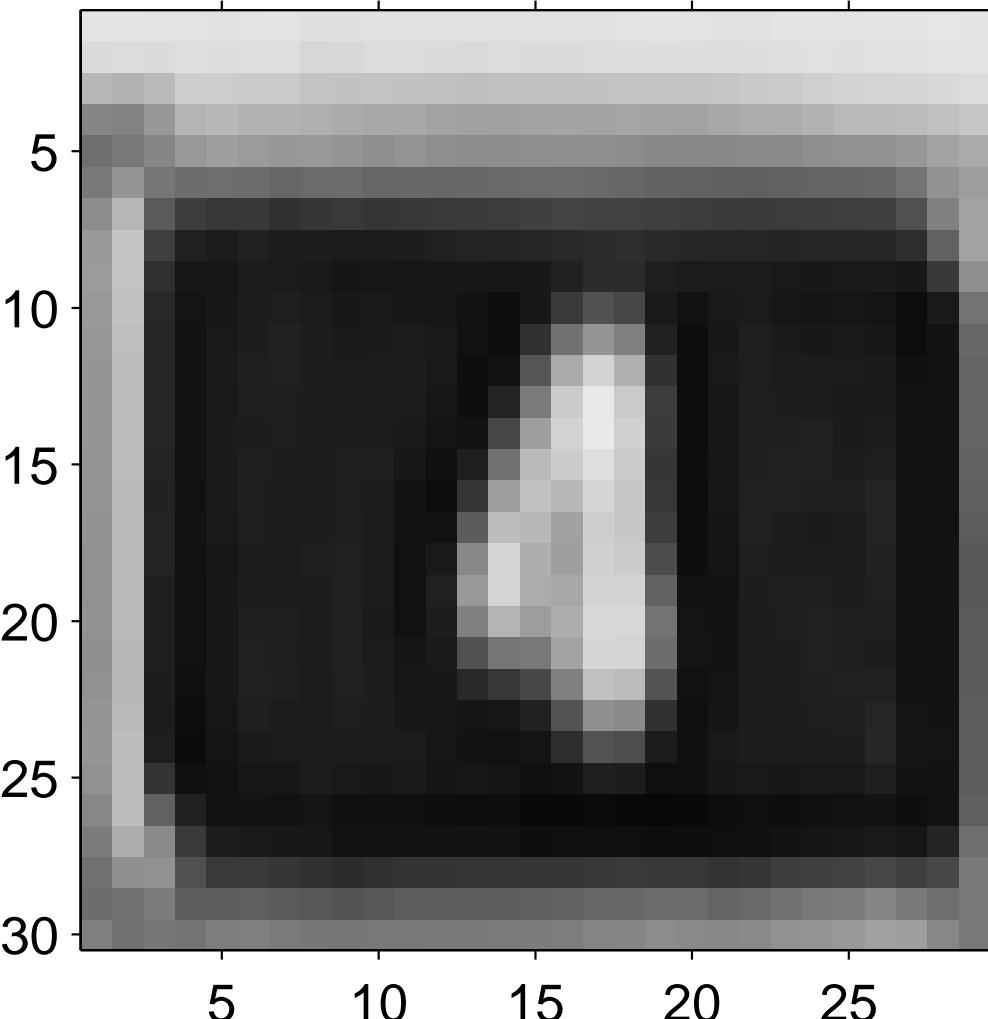
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histogram for 16 bins

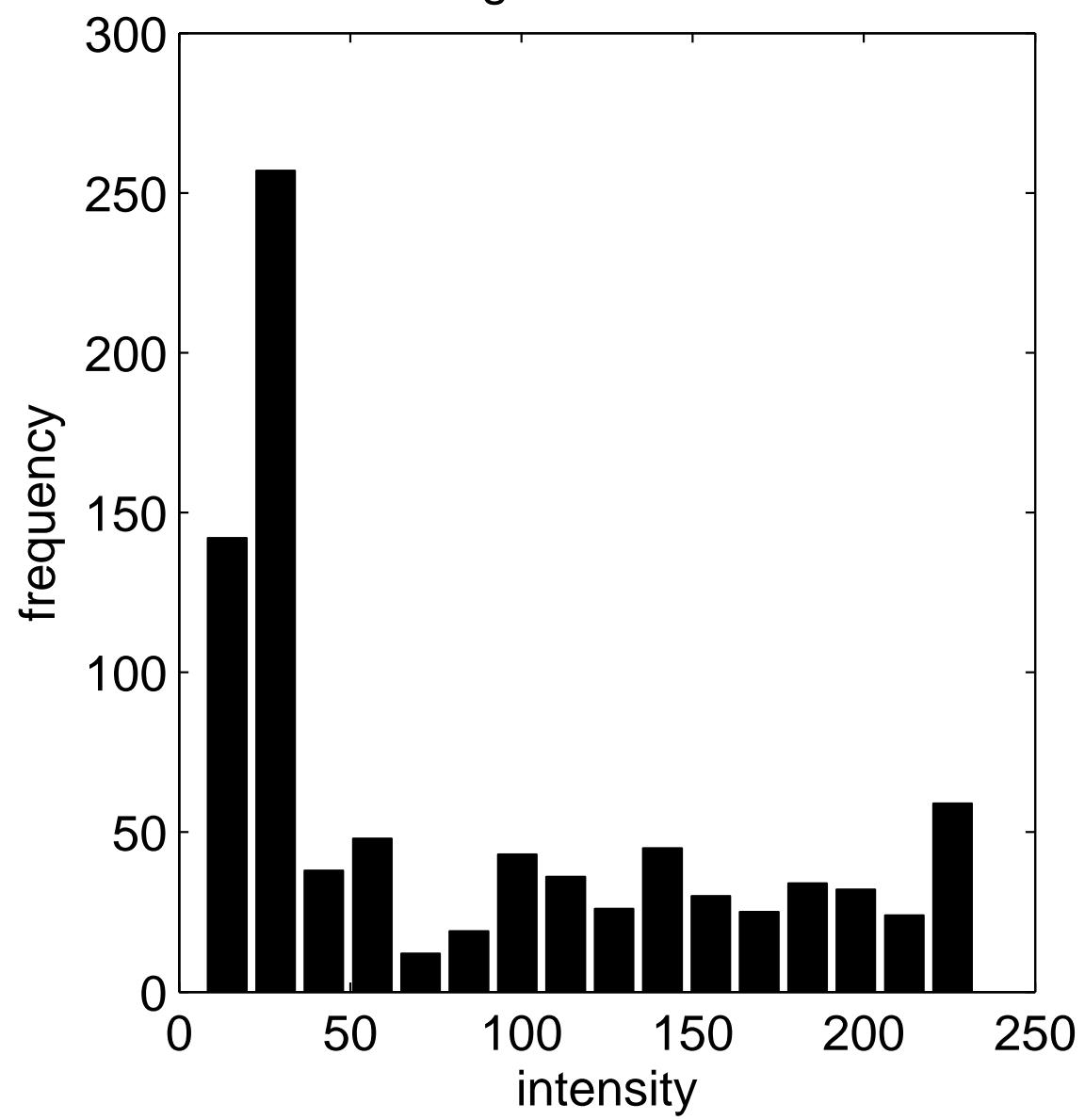
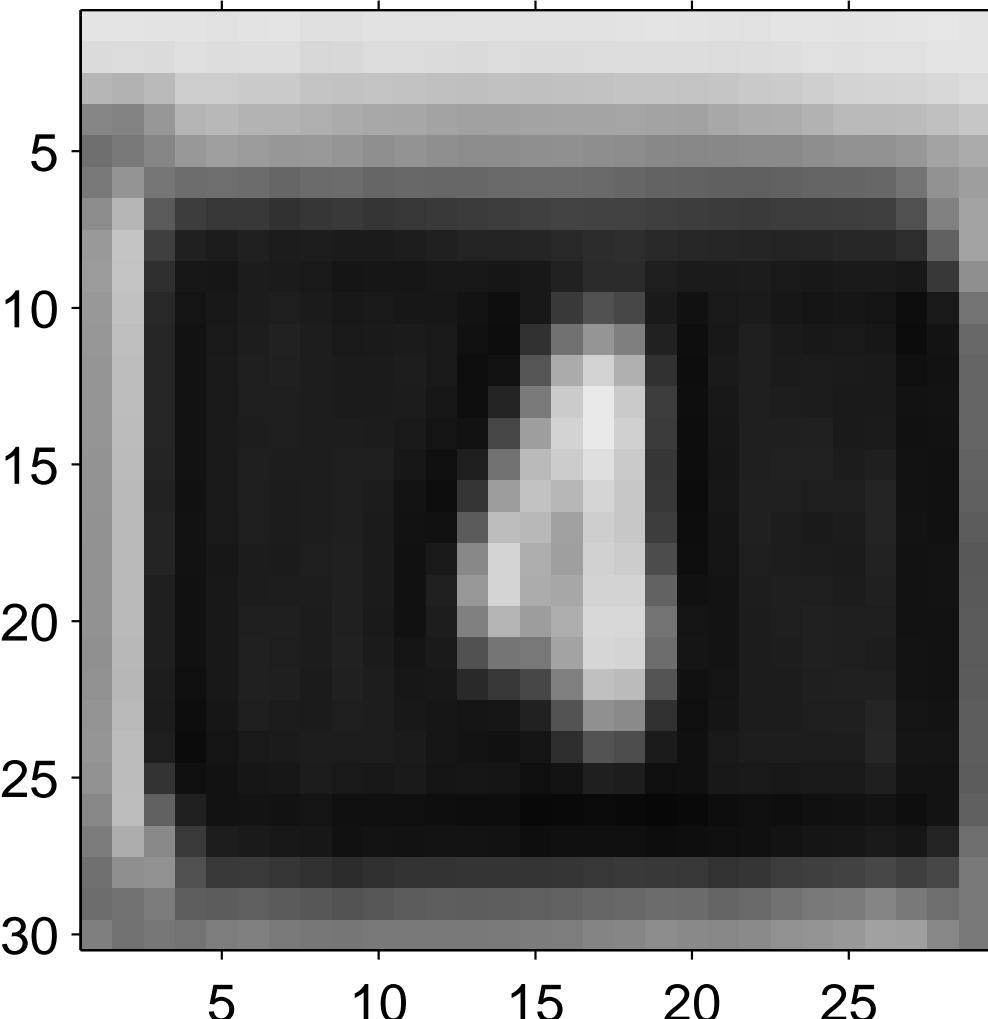
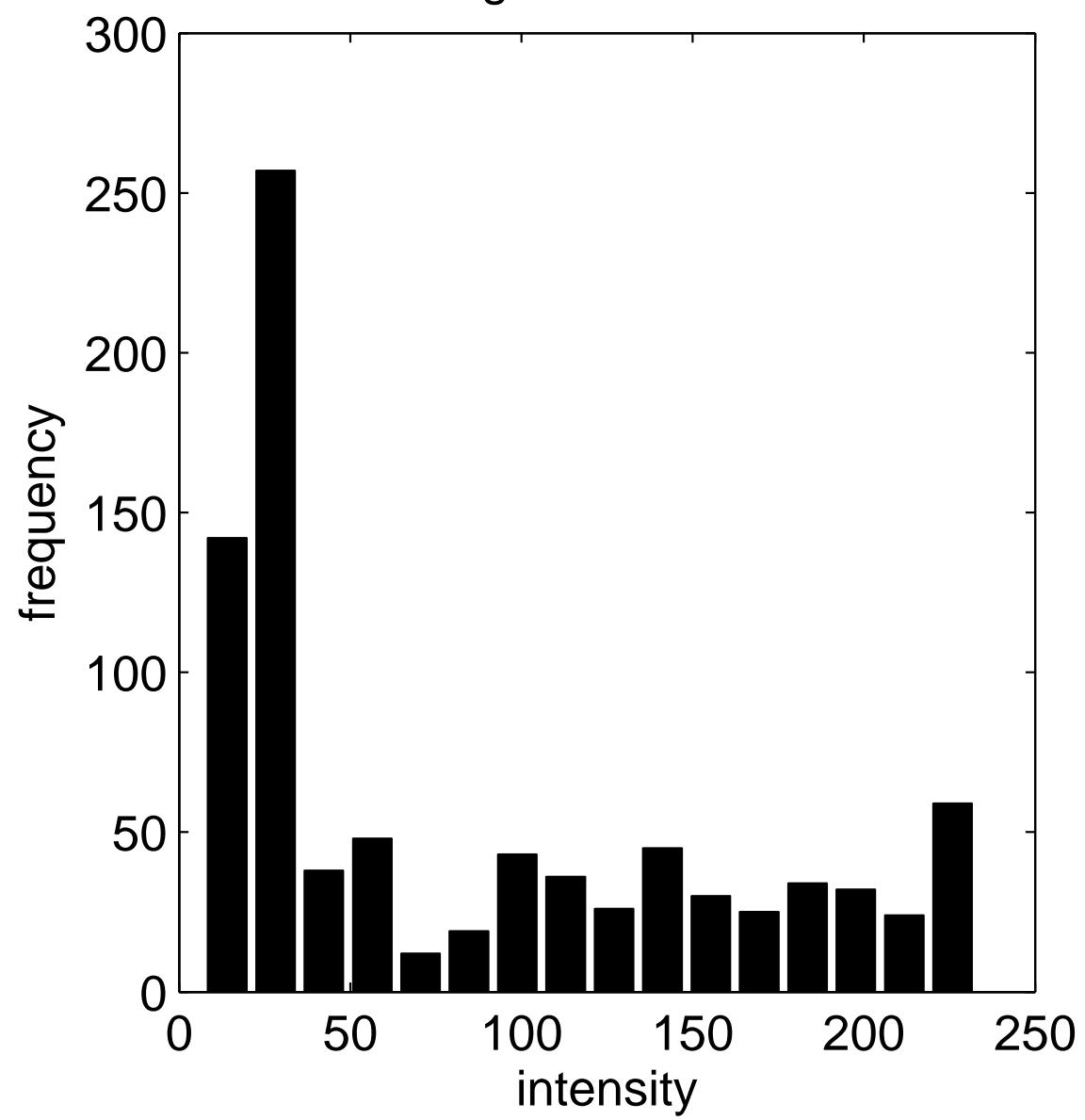


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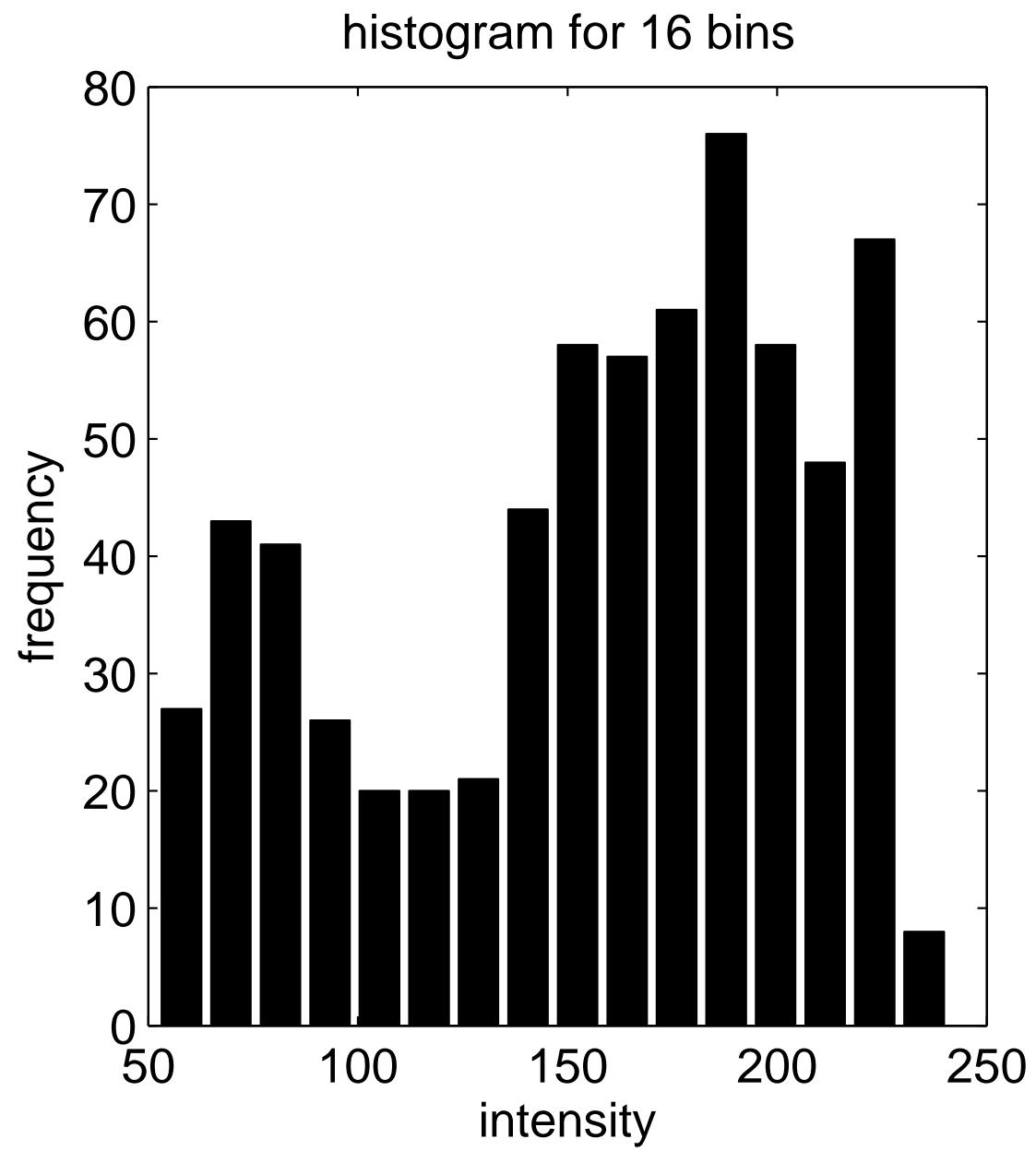
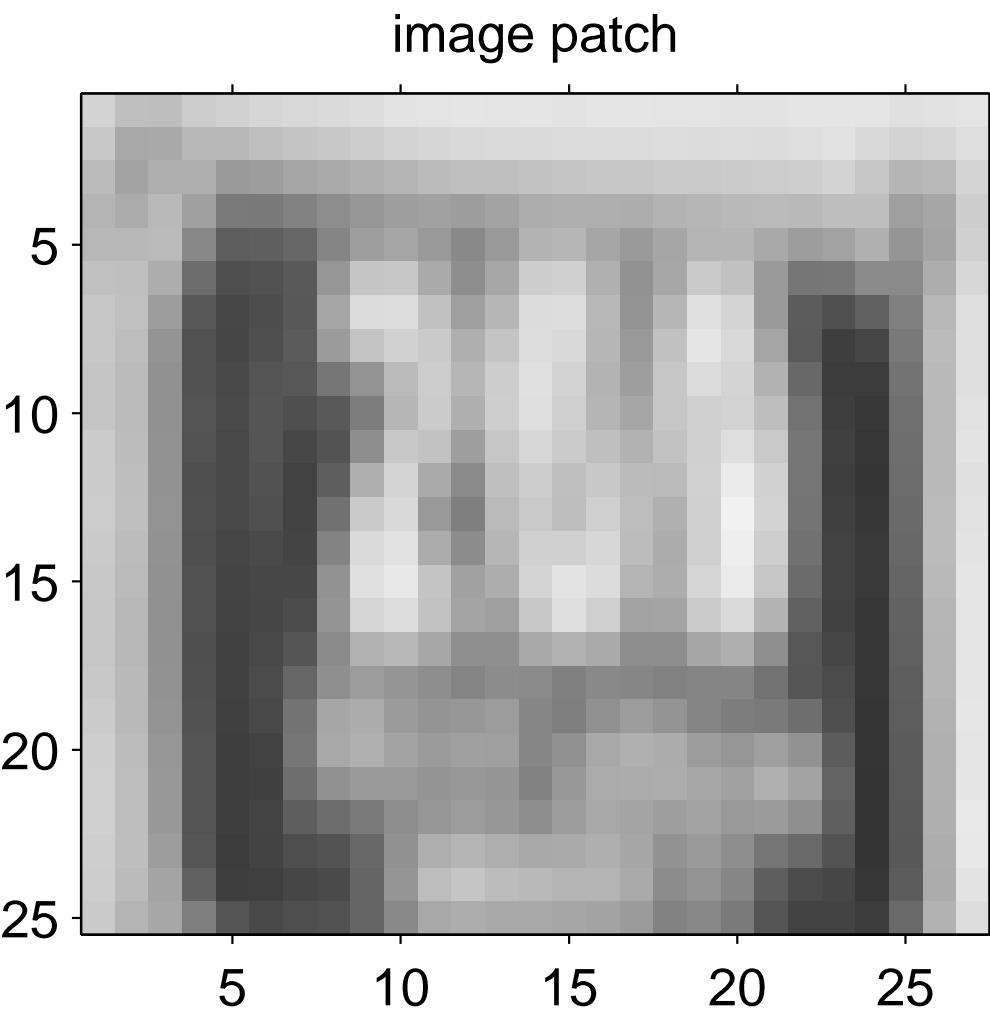
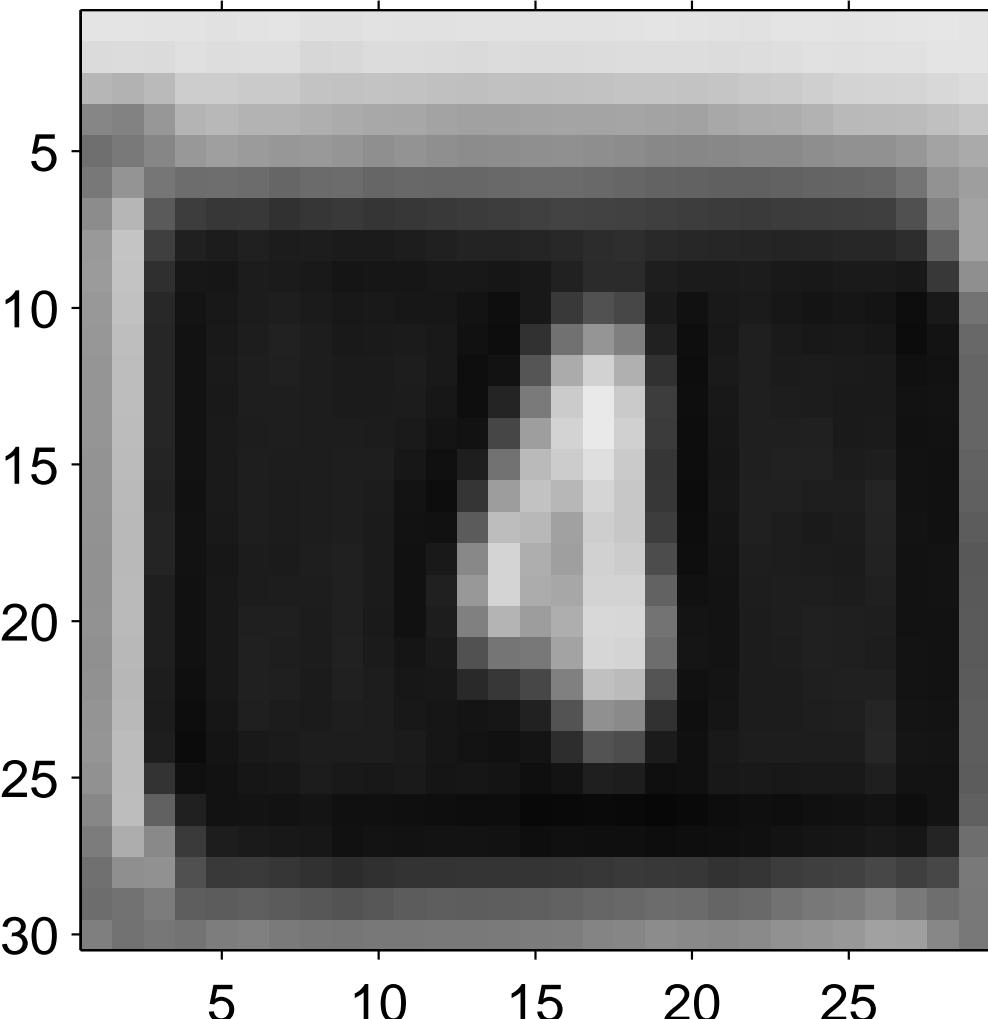
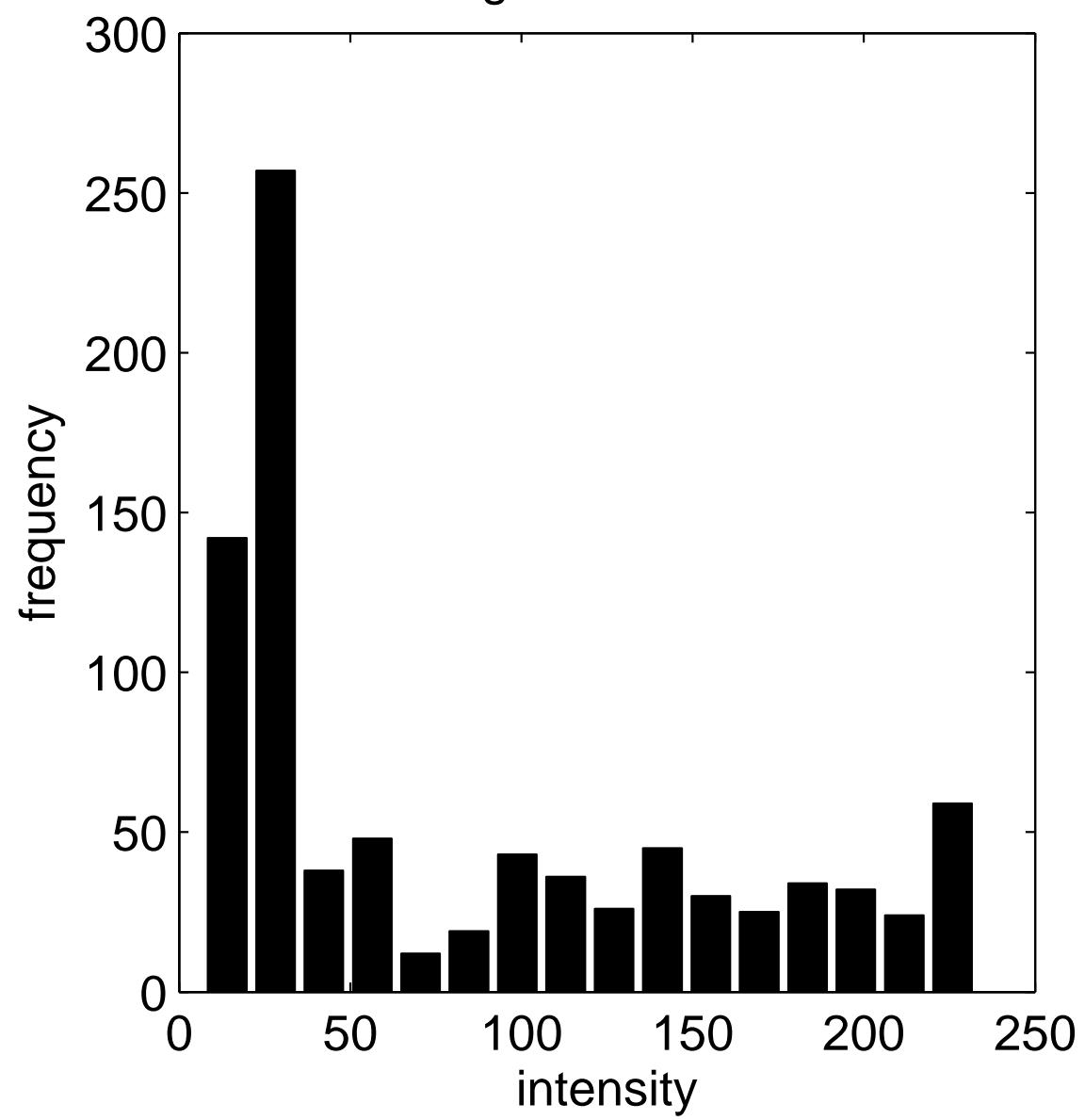
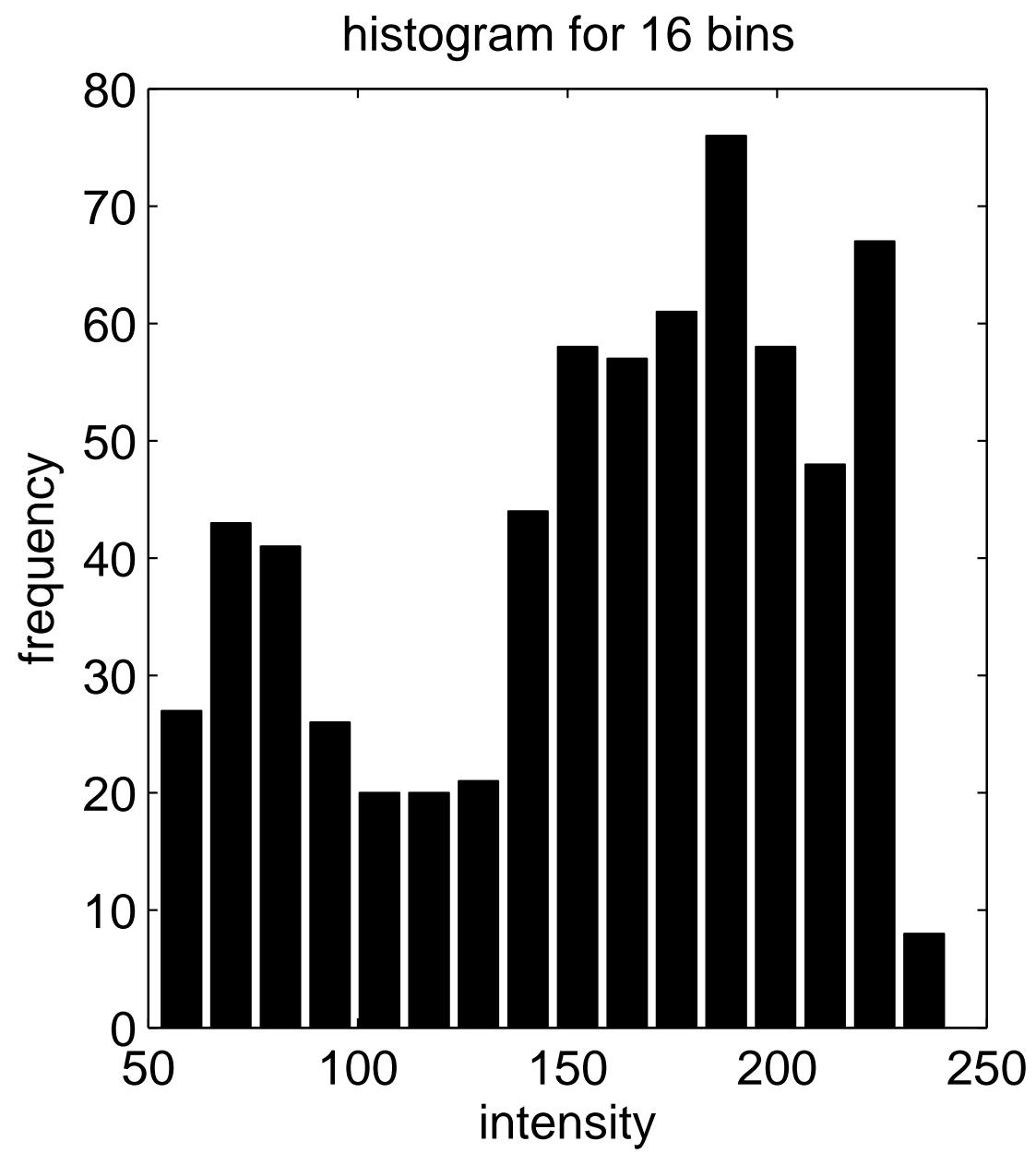
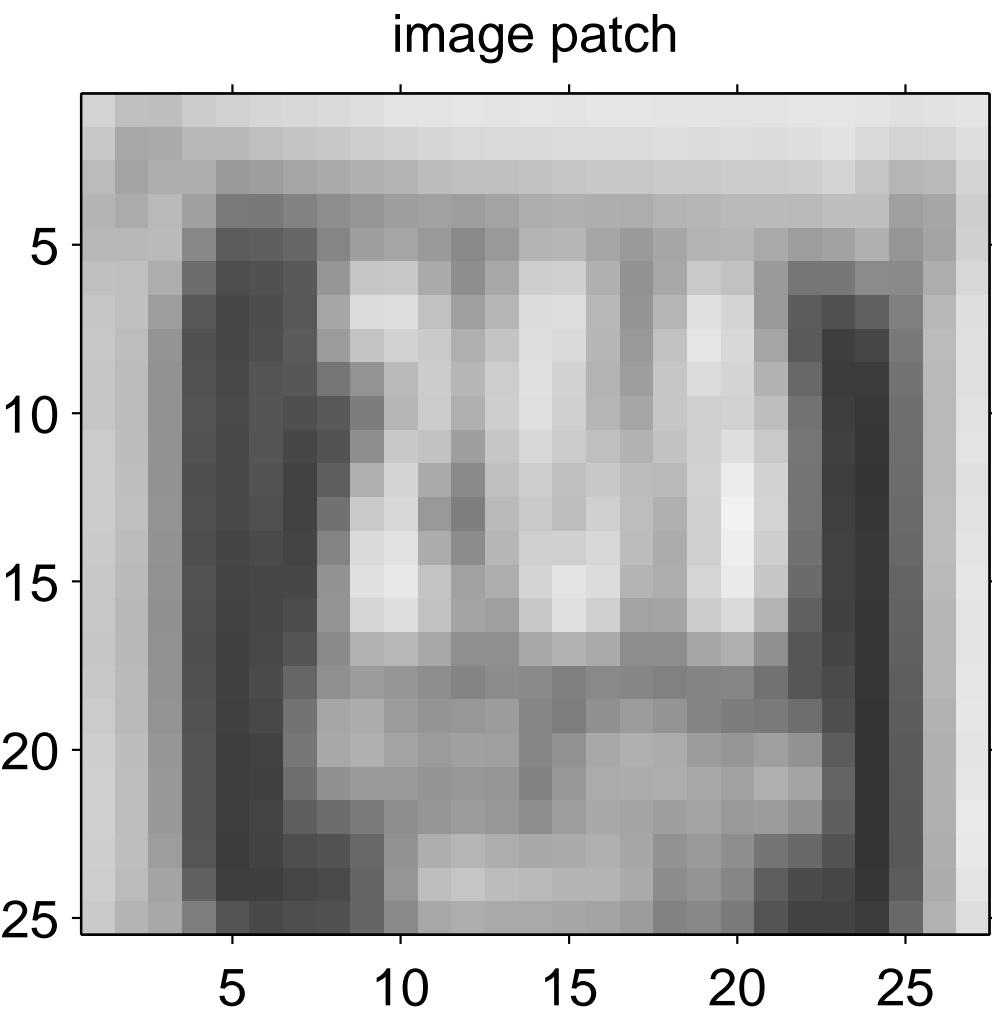


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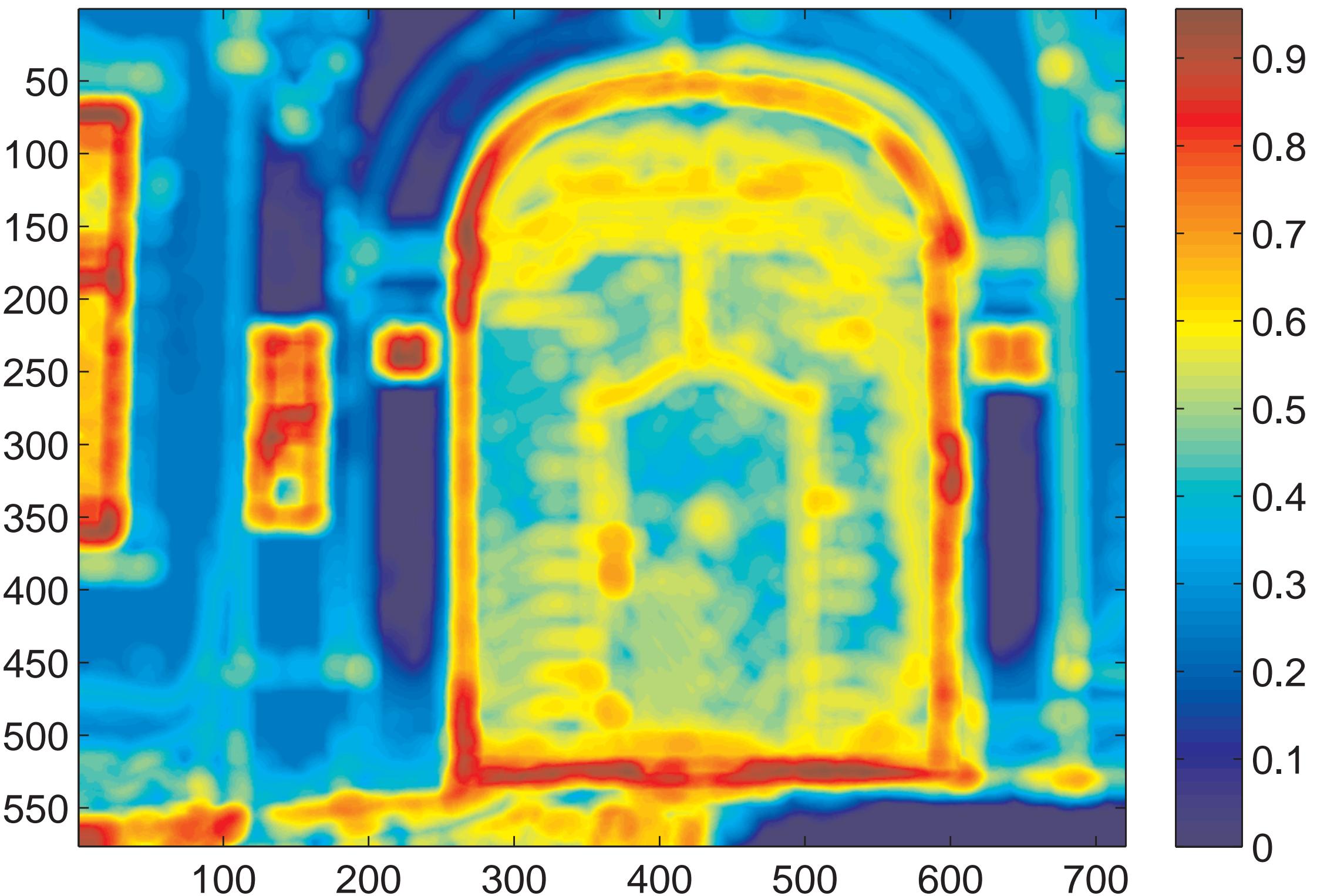




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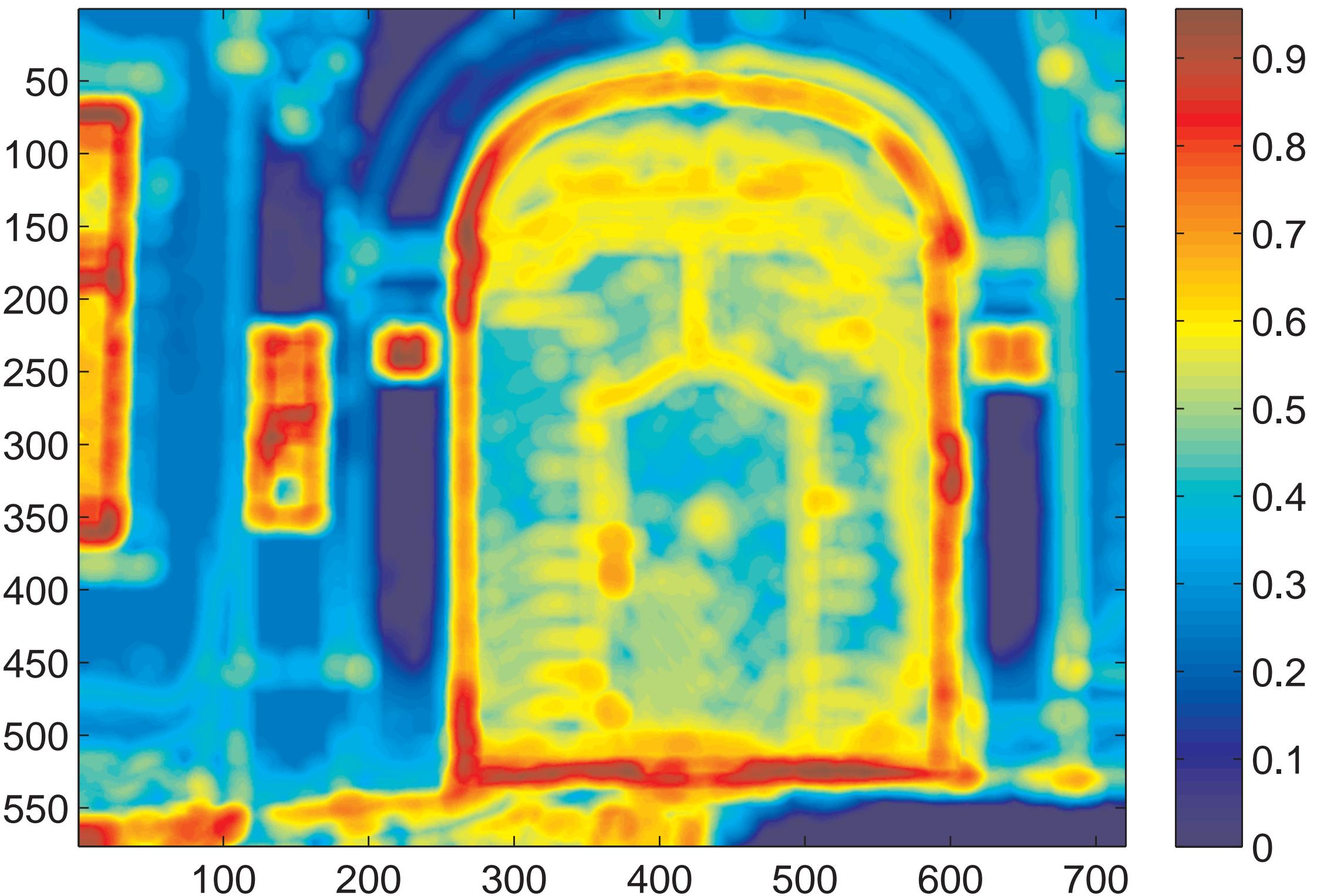
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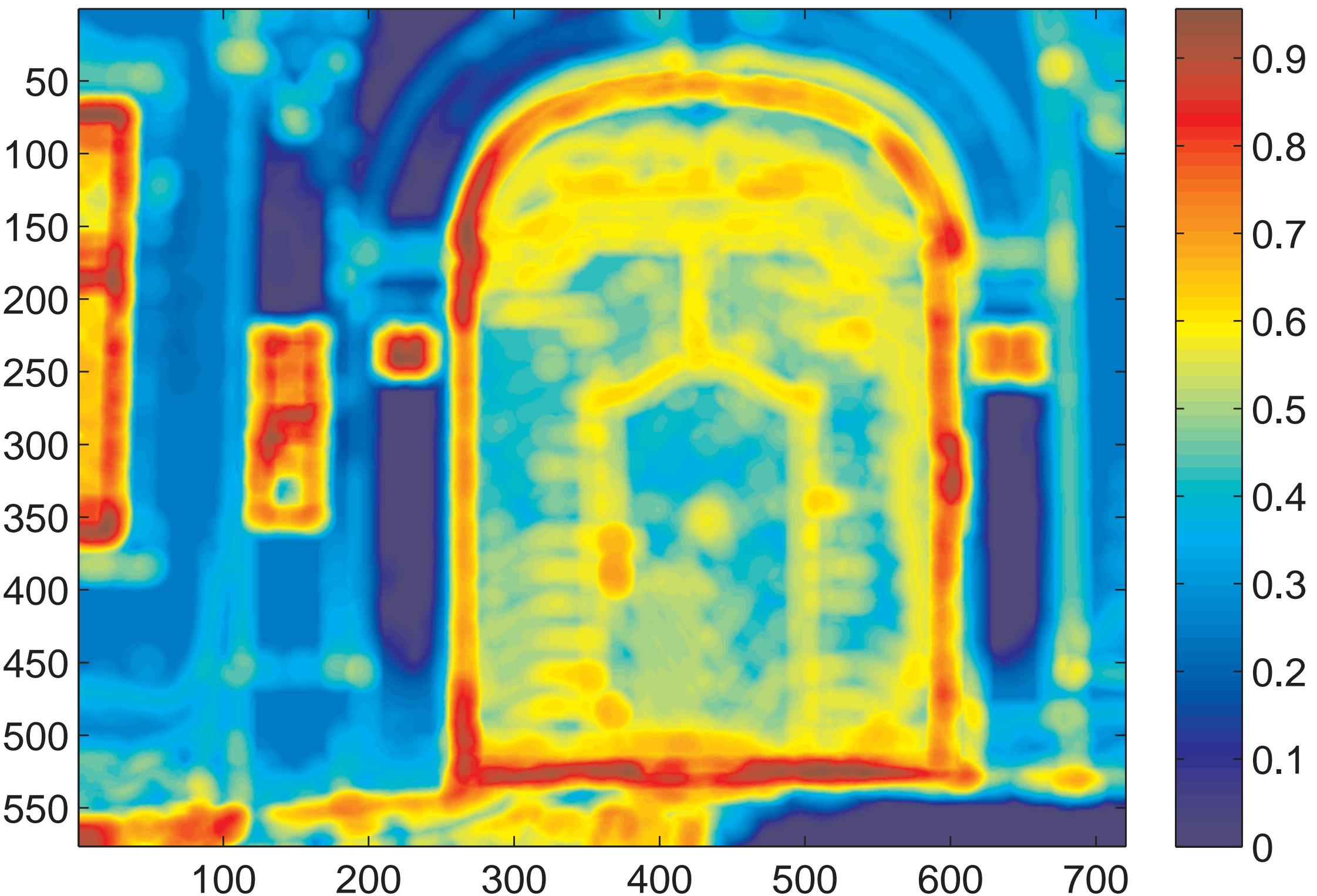
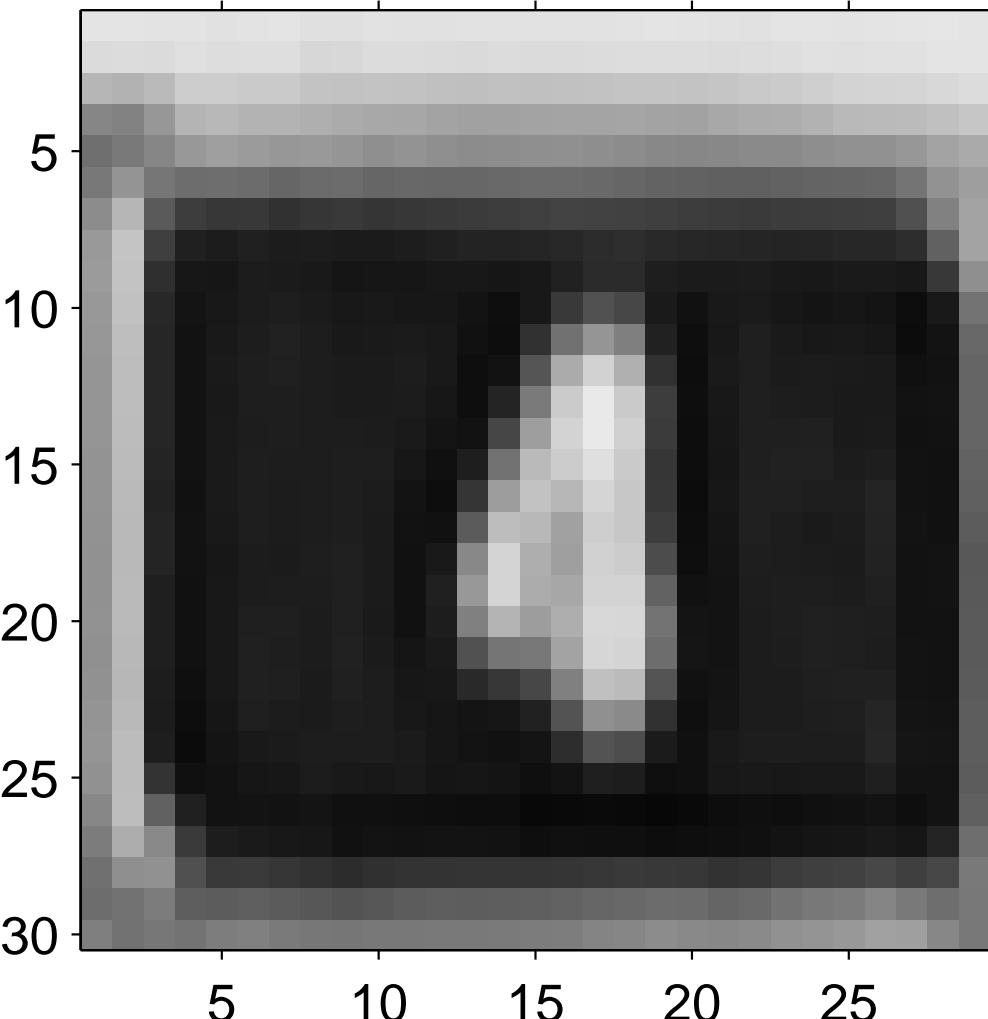
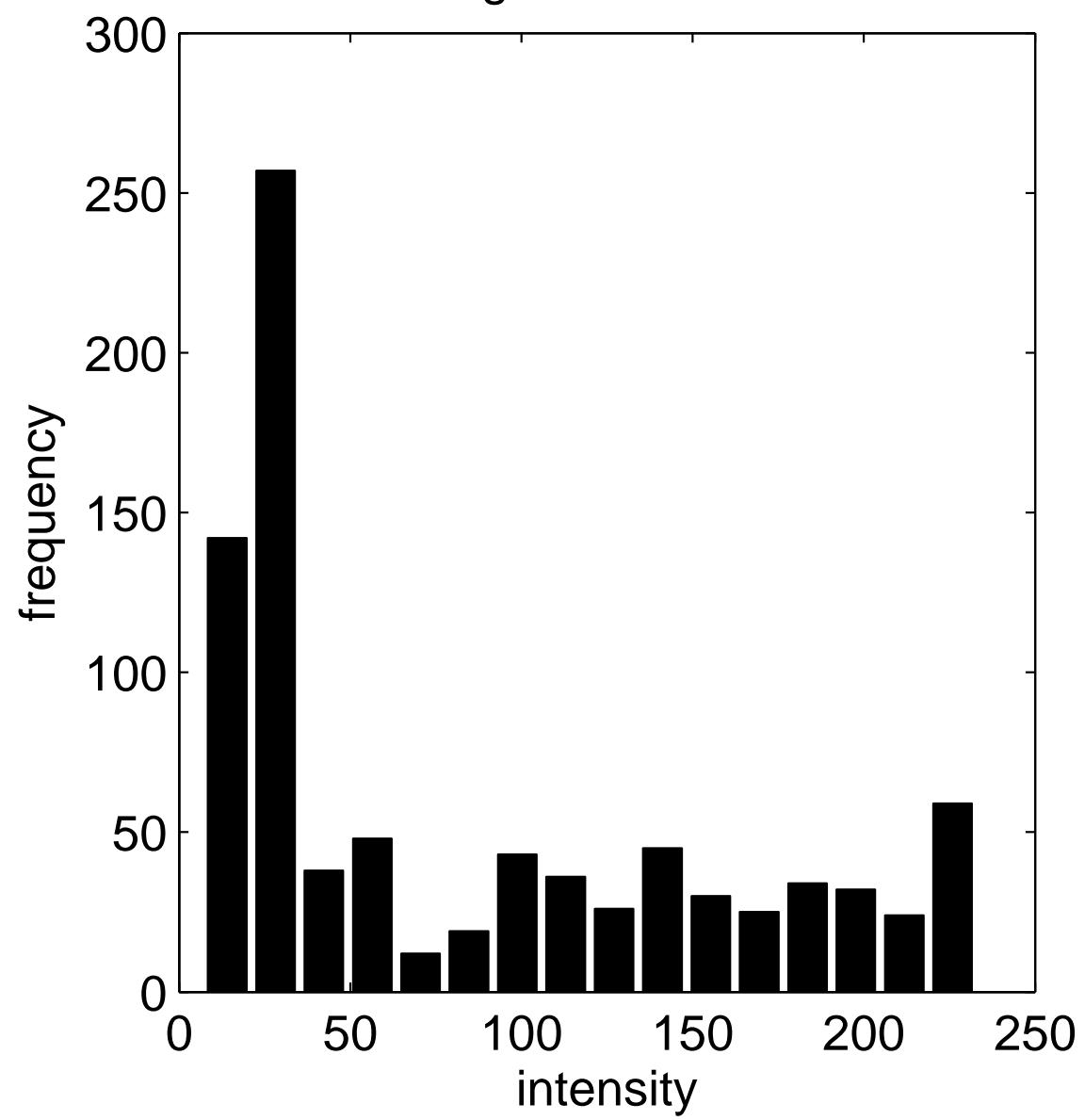
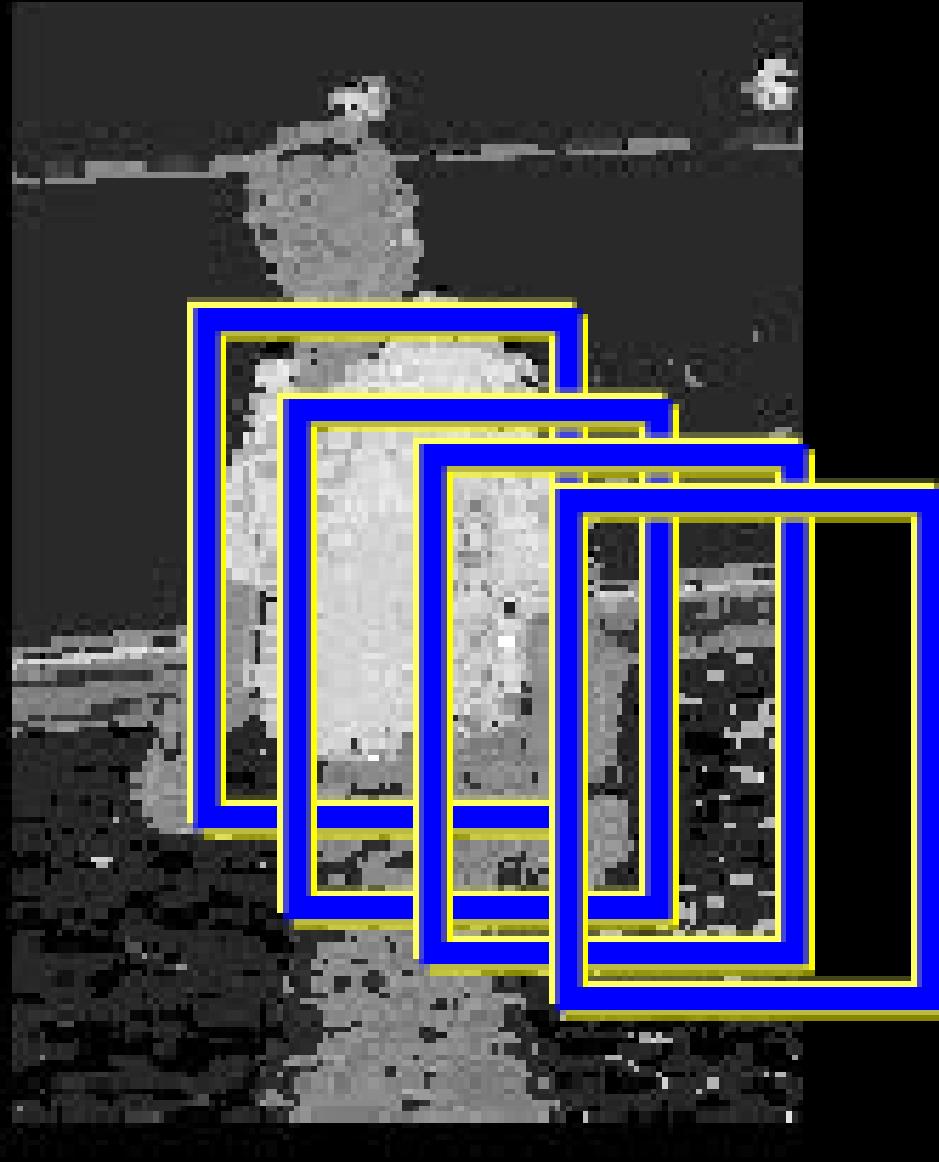


image patch

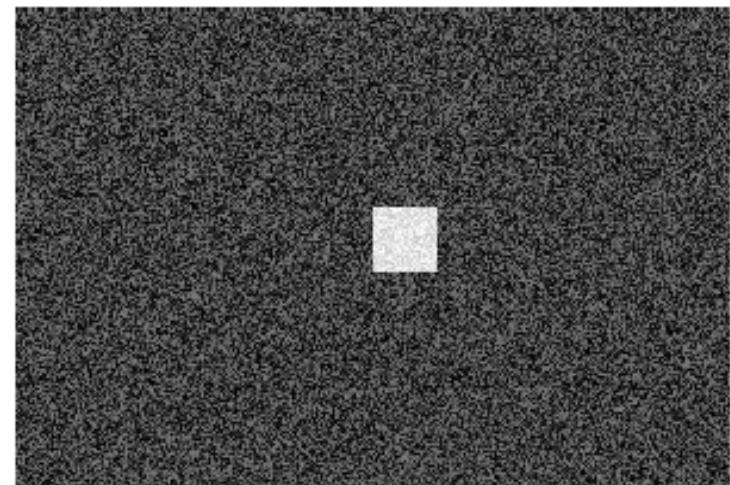


histogram for 16 bins

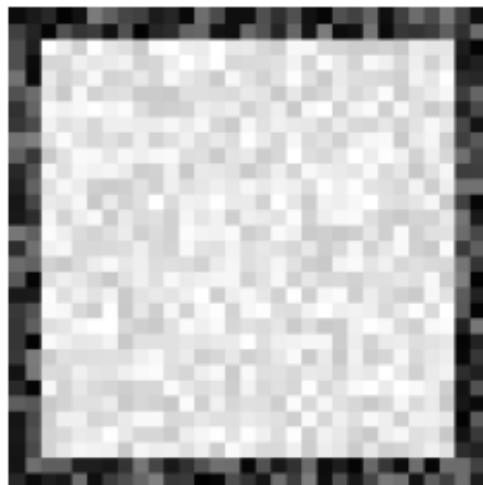




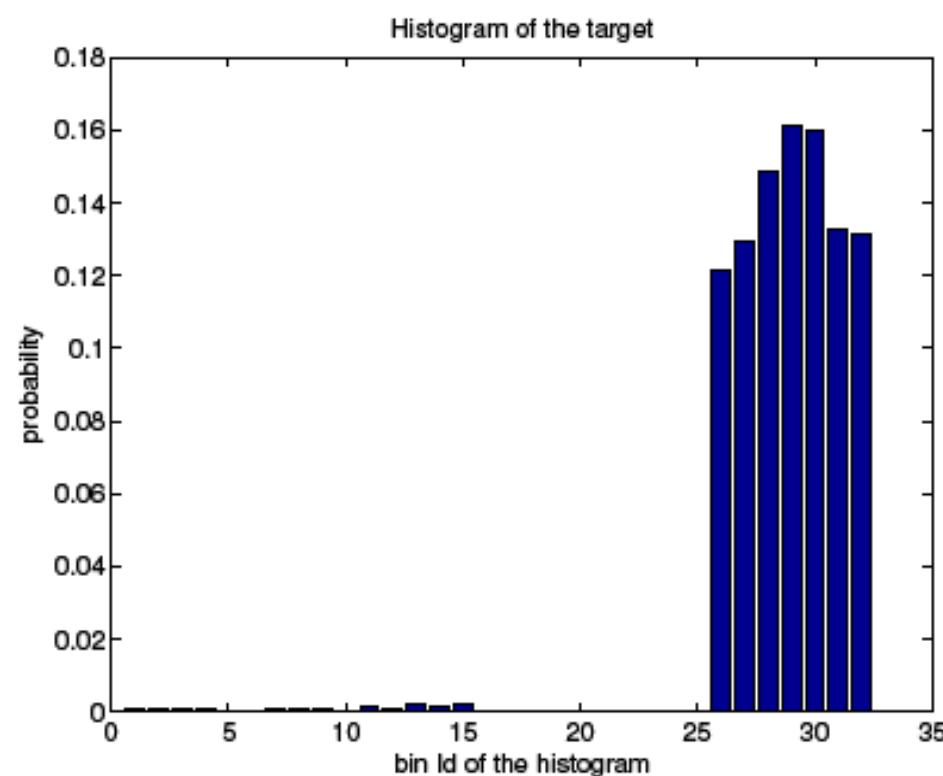
Example of an input image



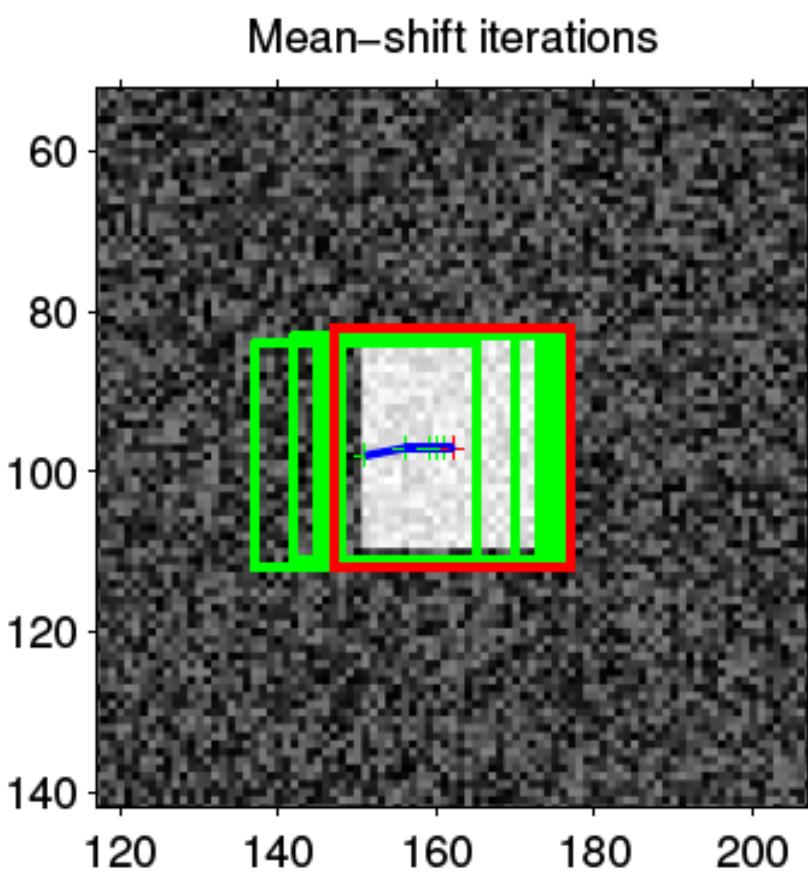
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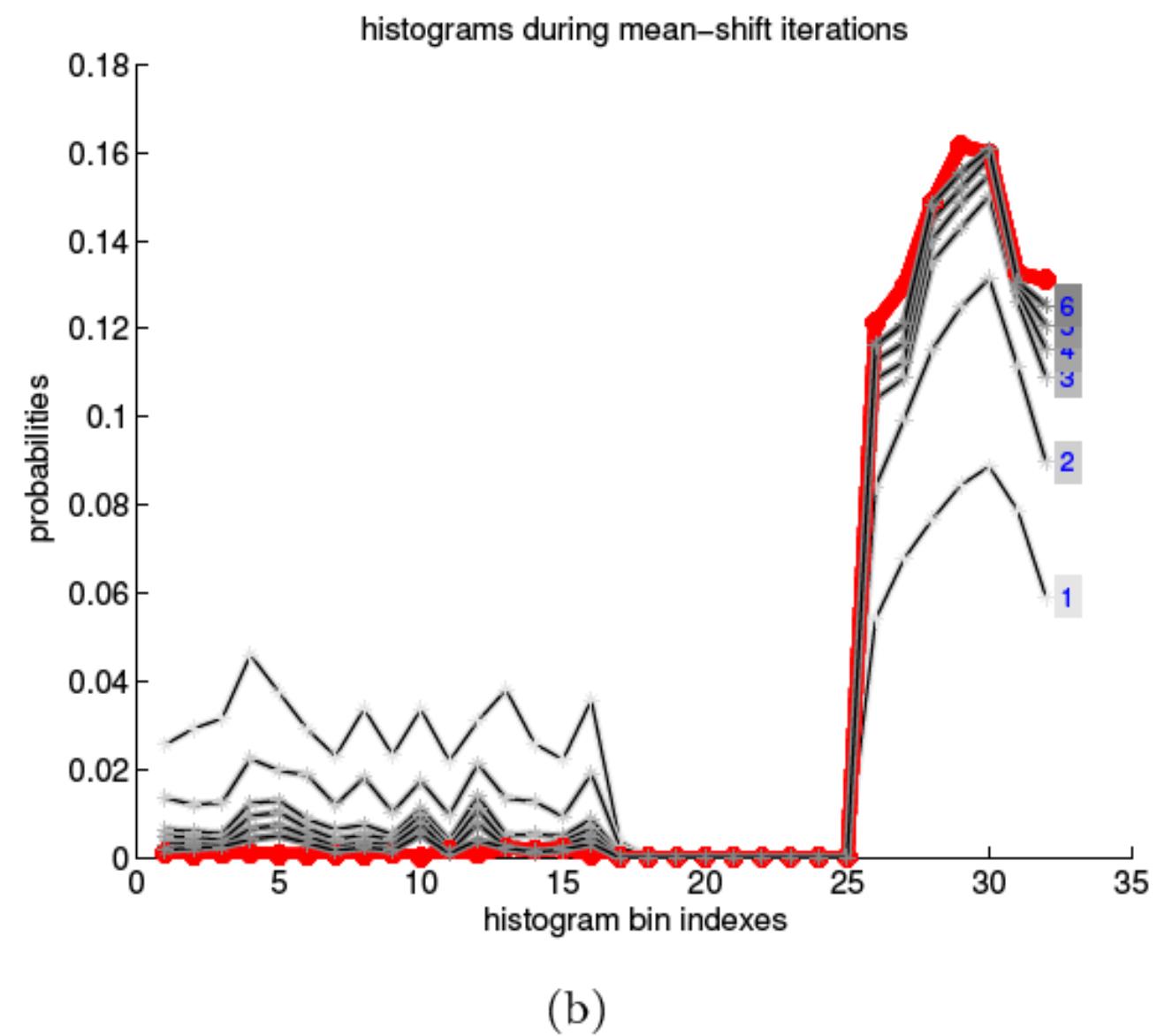
(b)



(c)



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