



# Gestalt Laws

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# Learning Goals

- Knowing the Gestalt Laws and recognizing their application in HCI





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# Background

- Visual perception of objects and the environment through recognizing patterns or configurations ( rather than individual elements)
- Wertheimer defines 1923 six Gestalt factors (later known as Gestalt Principles or Laws)<sup>1</sup>
- Stephen Palmer adds in the 90s three further Gestalt Laws<sup>2</sup>

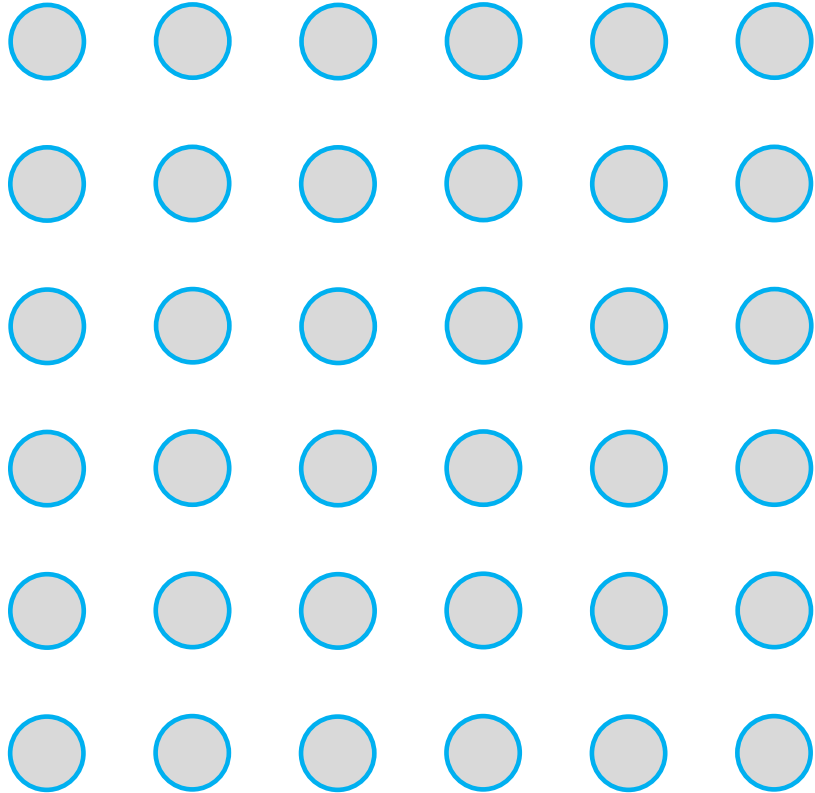
<sup>1</sup> Wertheimer (1923) Untersuchung zur Lehre von Gestalt: [http://gestalttheory.net/download/Wertheimer1923\\_Lehre\\_von\\_der\\_Gestalt.pdf](http://gestalttheory.net/download/Wertheimer1923_Lehre_von_der_Gestalt.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> Palmer (1999) Vision Science. MIT Press, Cambridge (USA), ISBN 0-262-16183-4

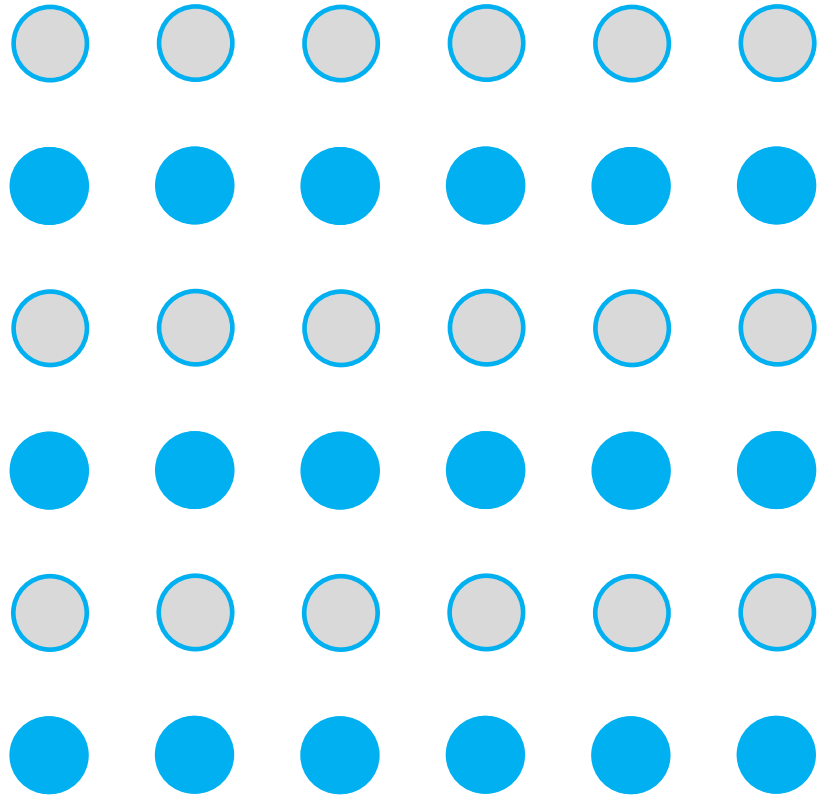
# Gestalt Laws

- Proximity
- Similarity
- Simplicity (good form / Prägnanz)
- Continuation
- Closure
- Common fate
- Common region
- Concurrency / simultaneousness
- Connectivity

# Proximity



# Similarity



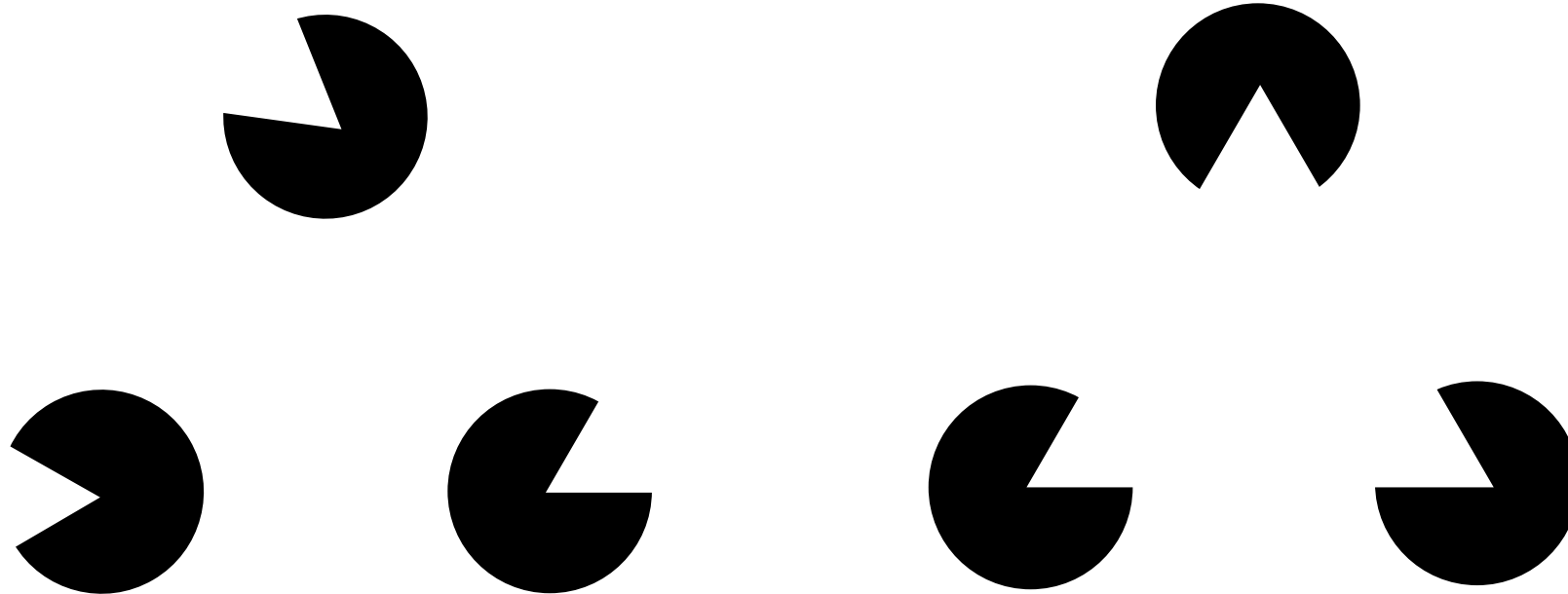


# Gestalt Law Application

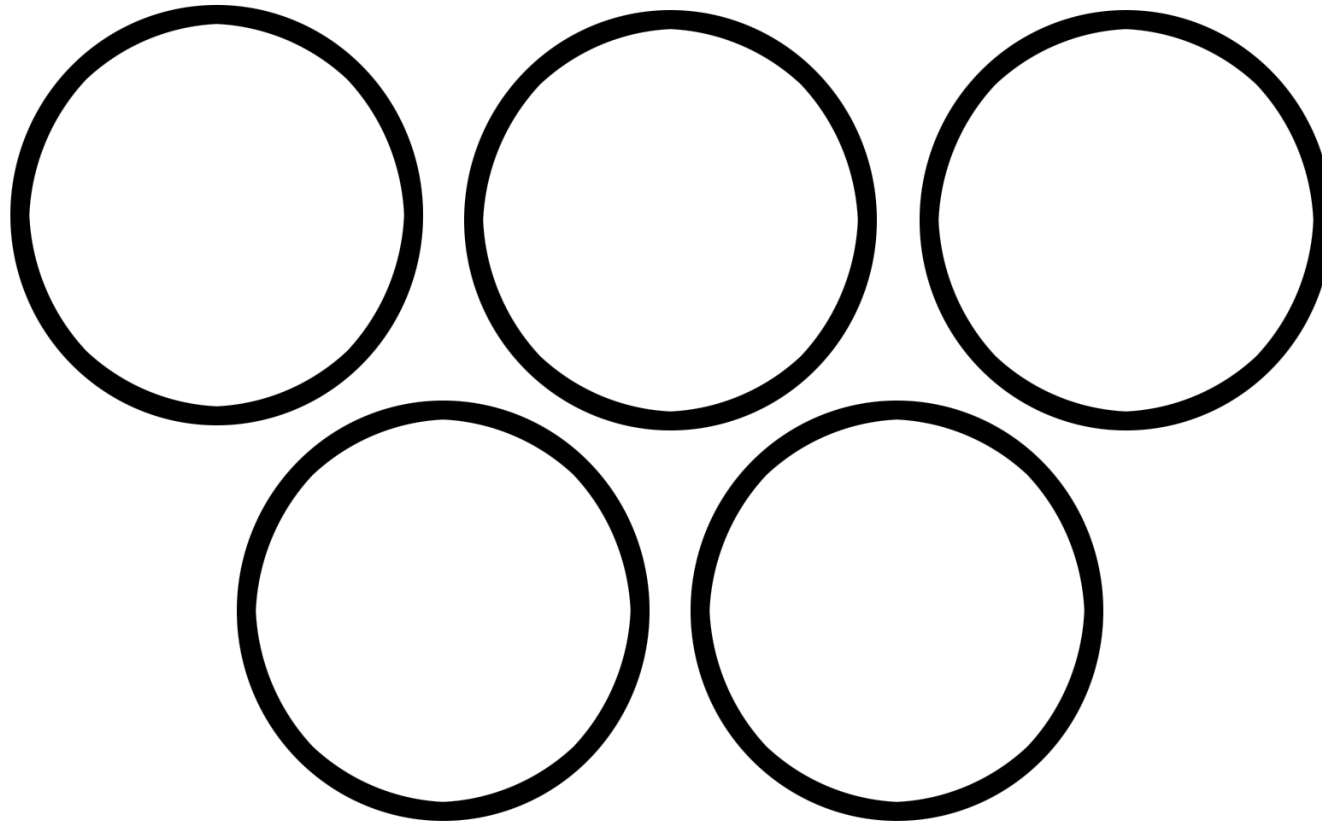


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# Simplicity / Good Form / Prägnanz



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# Continuation

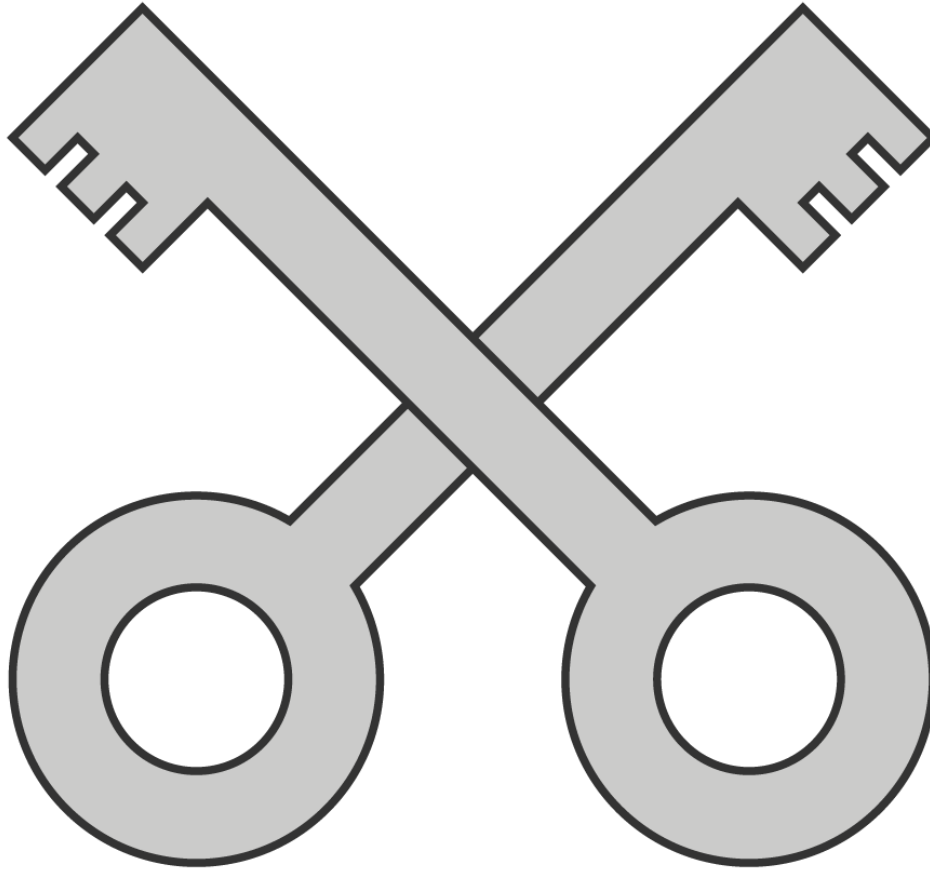
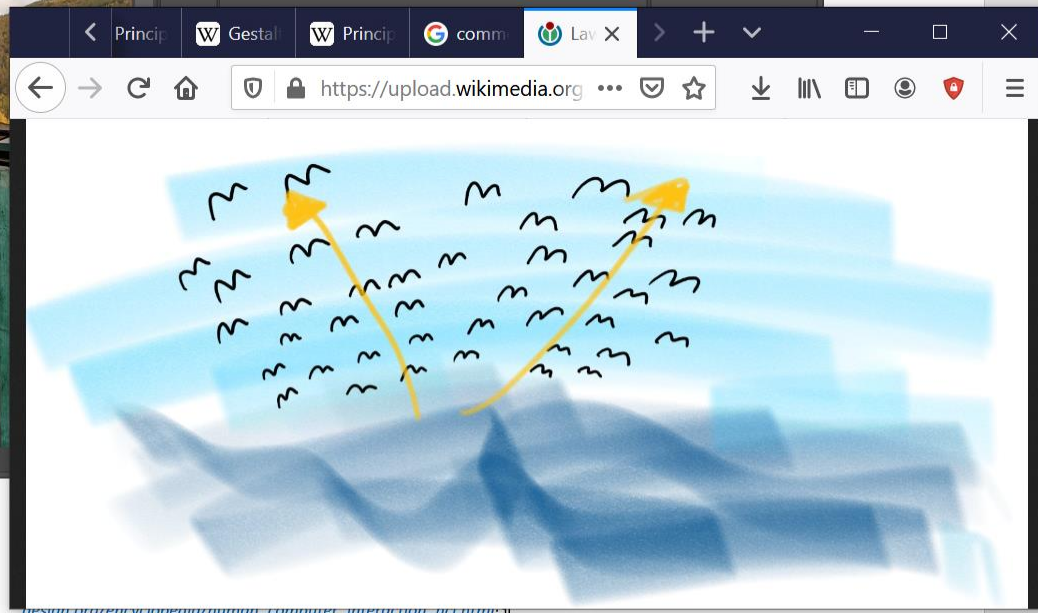
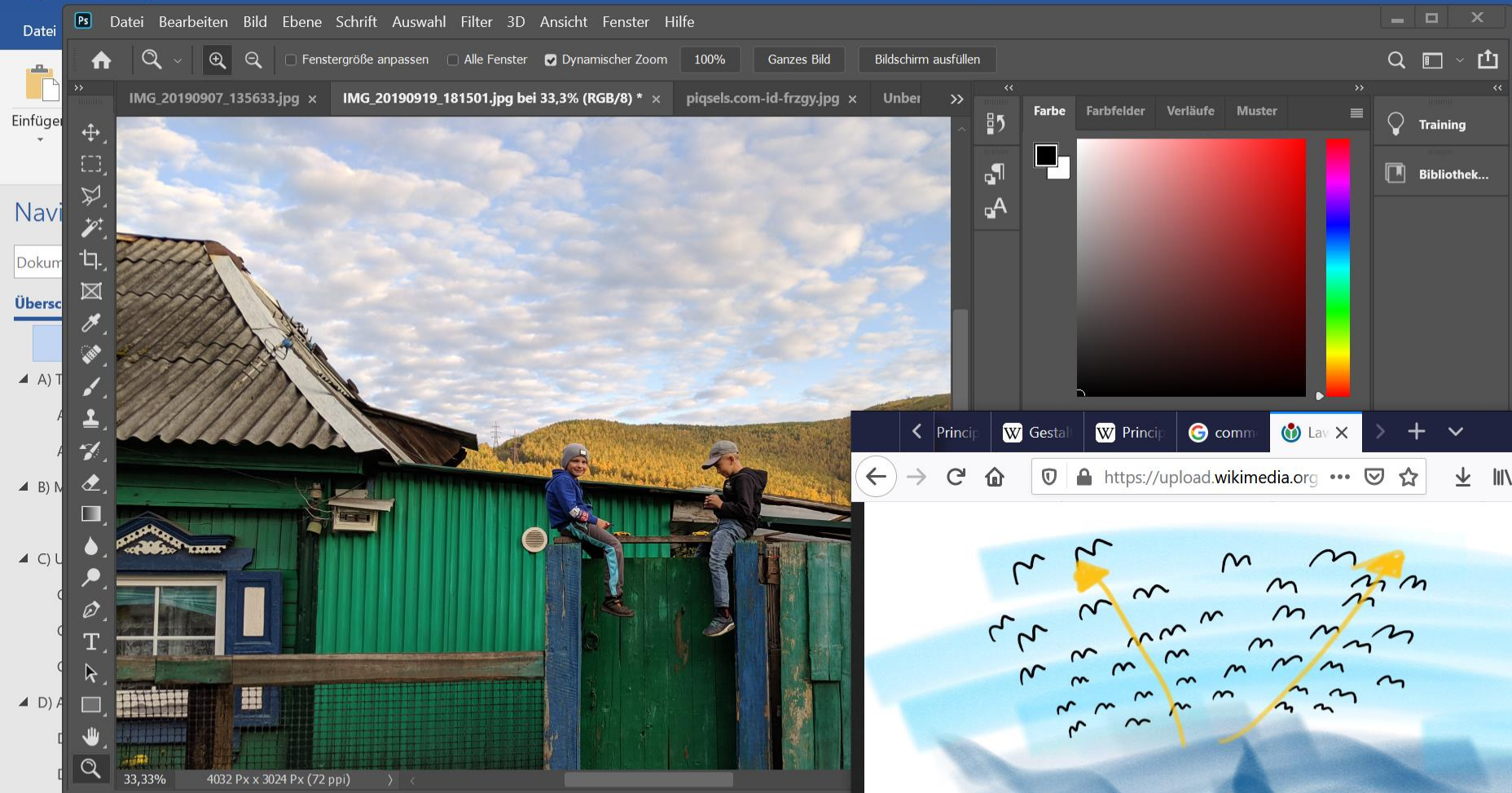


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Submission:

- B) Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs (2 points)
- The motivation theory of Maslow was already published in 1943. Since then, psychologists have extended Maslow's theory [1] and have proposed new concepts [2].



# Closure

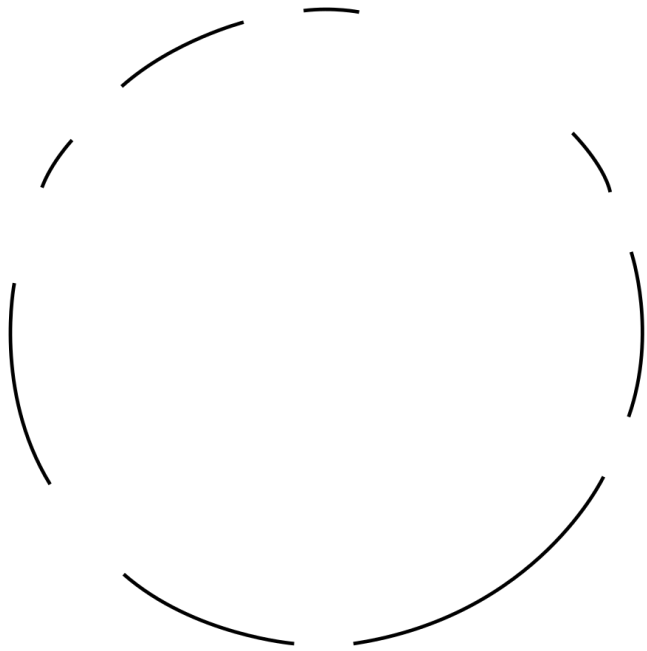


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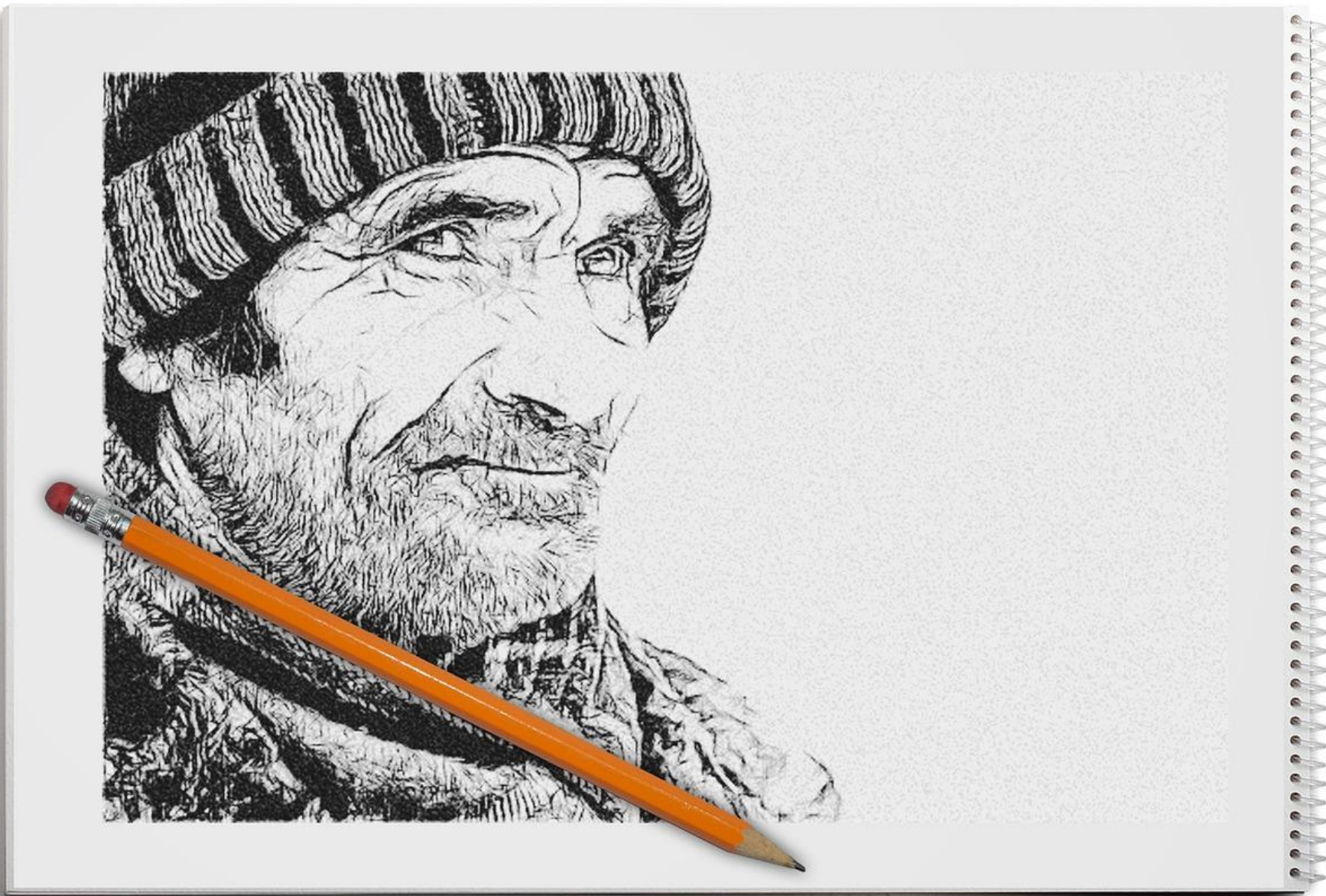


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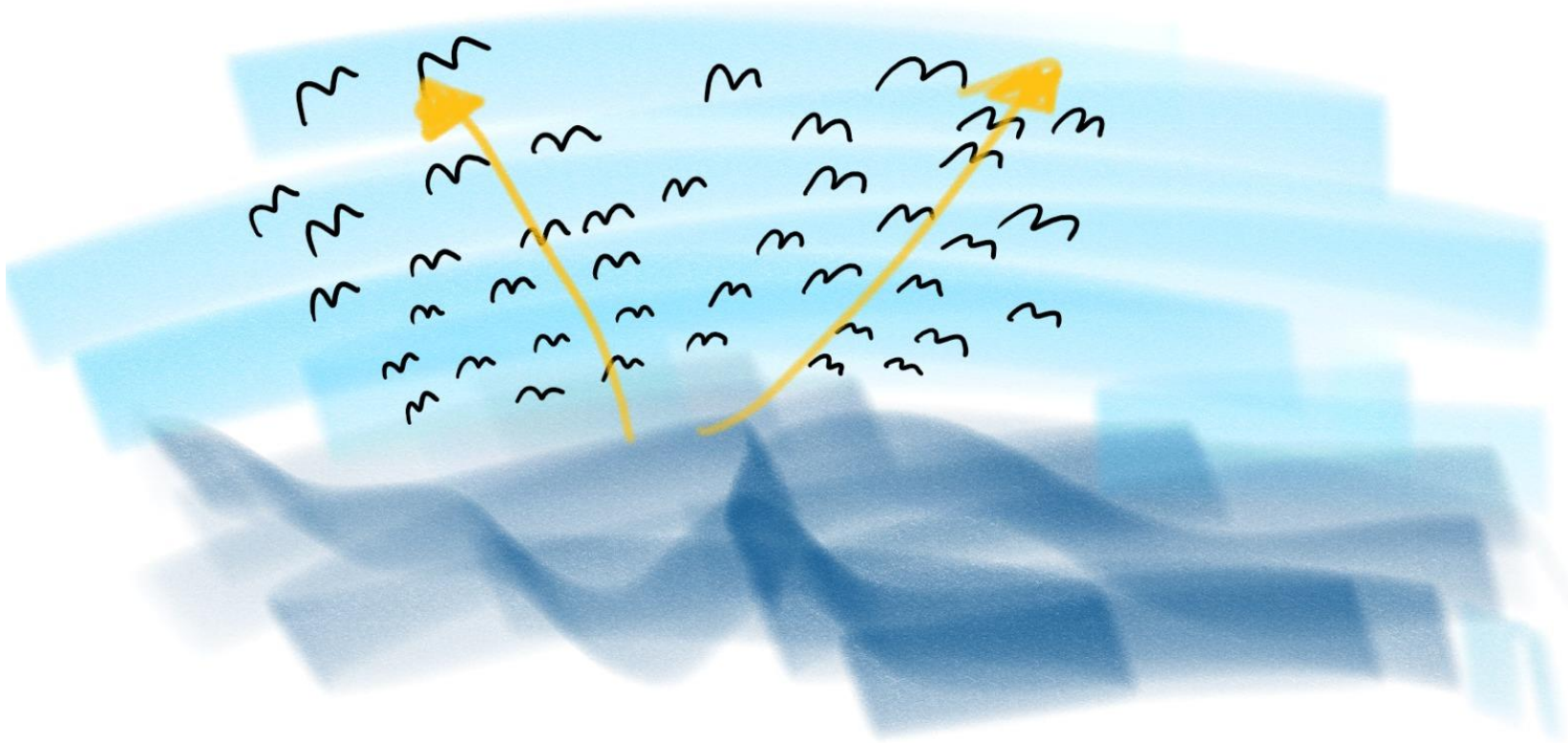


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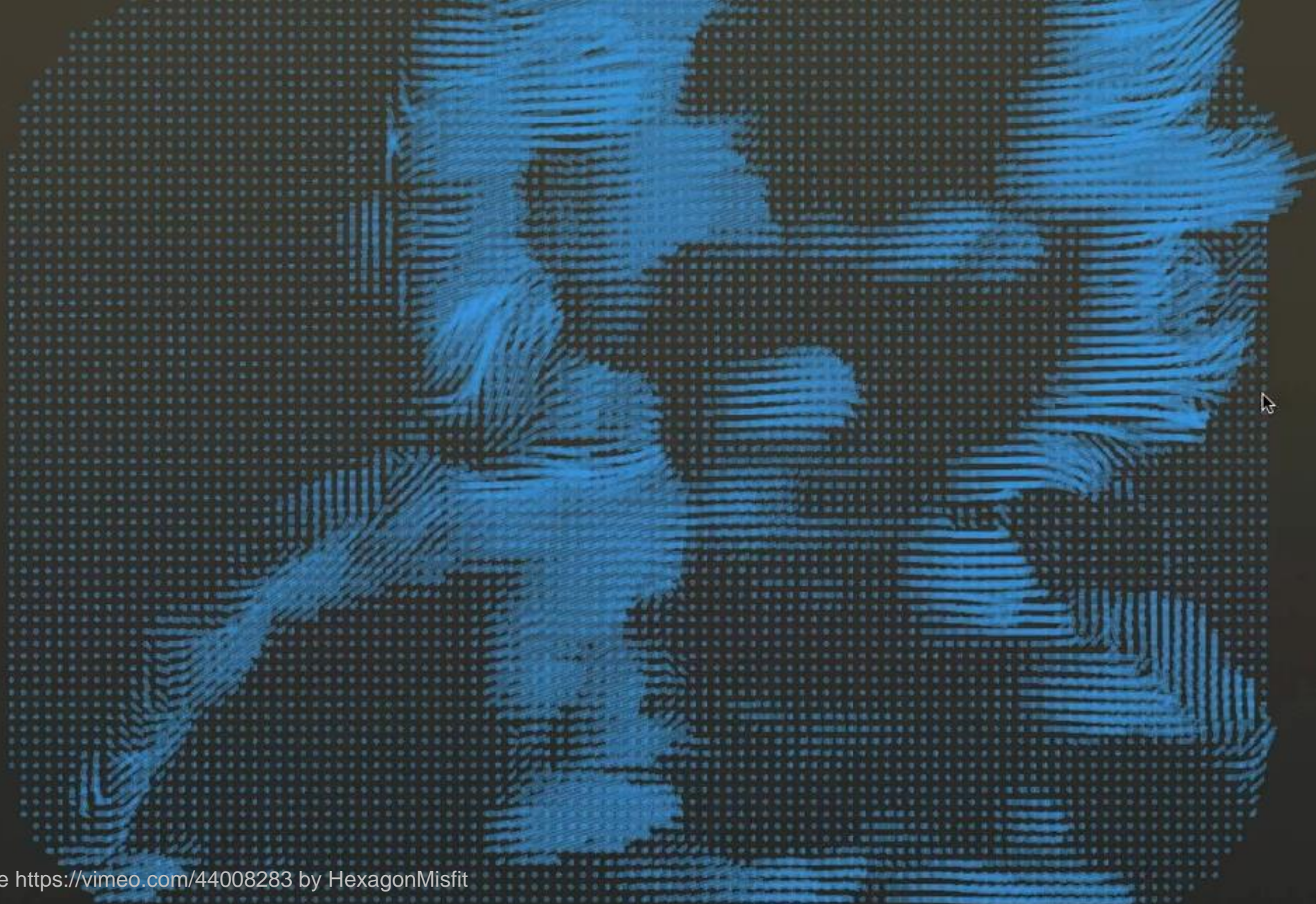


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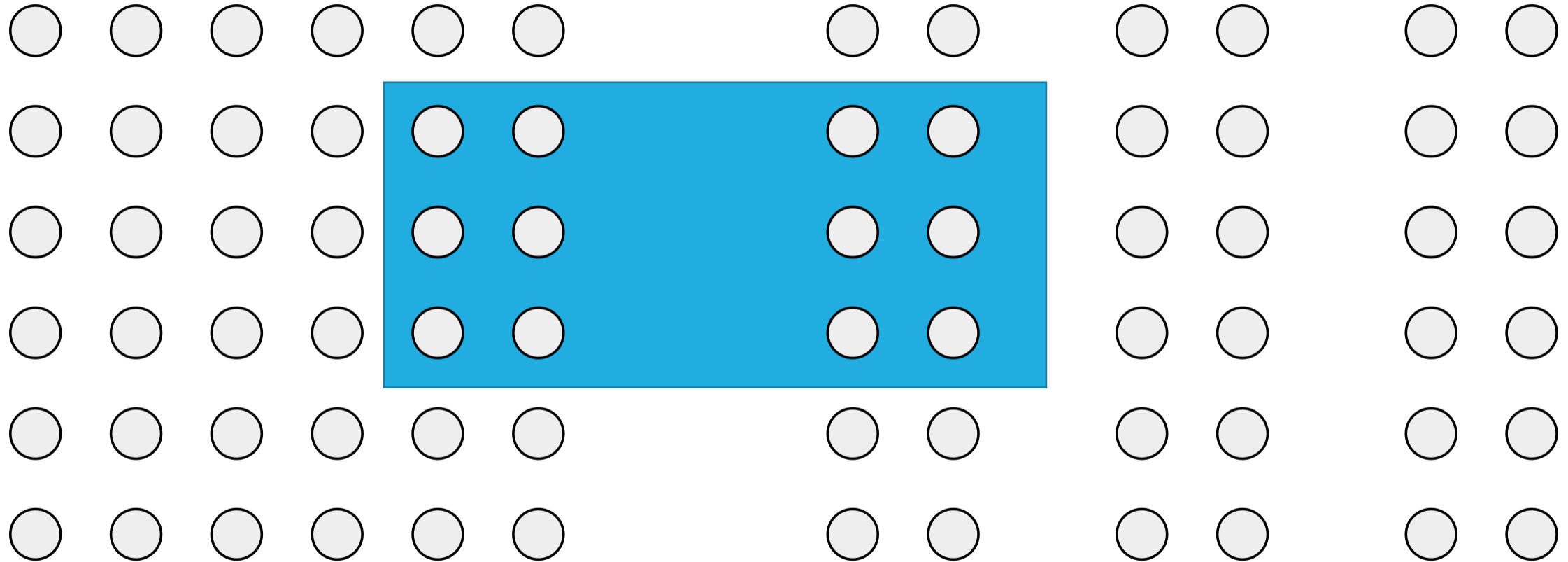
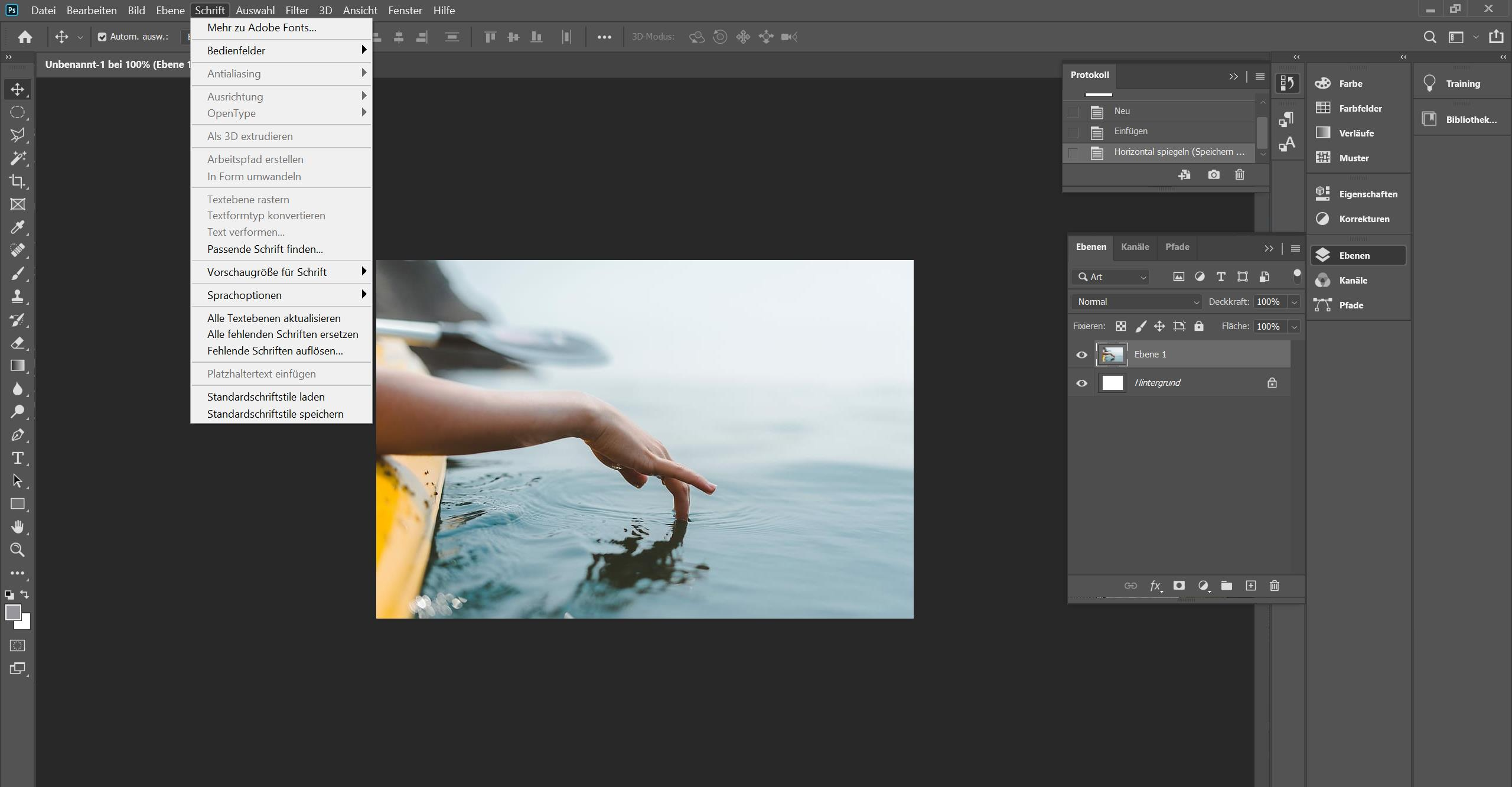


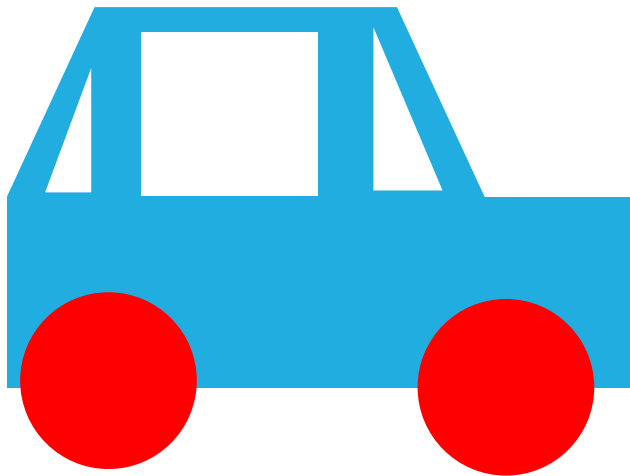
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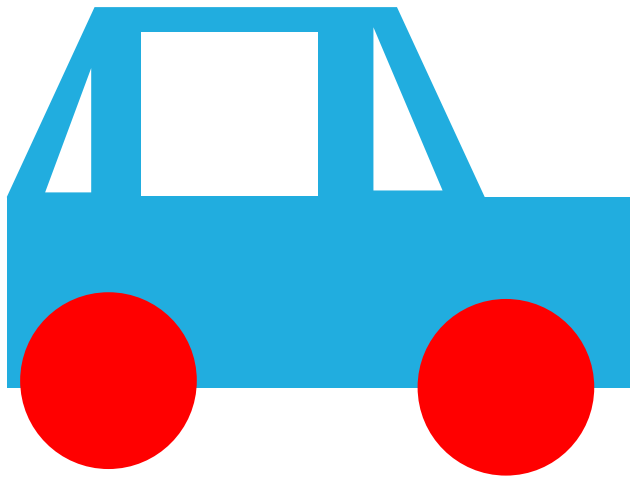




# Concurrency



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# Connectivity

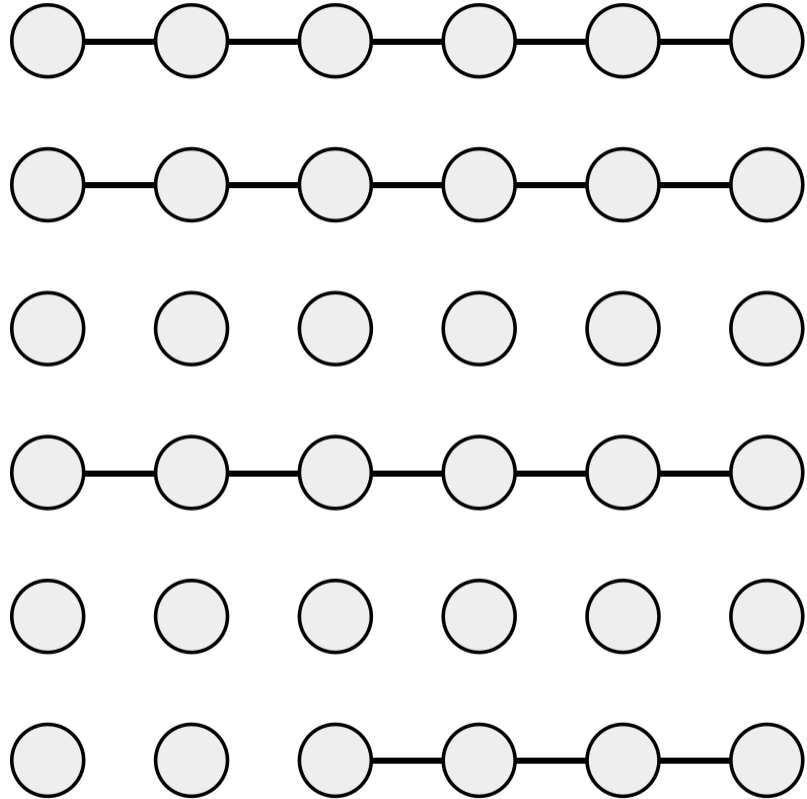
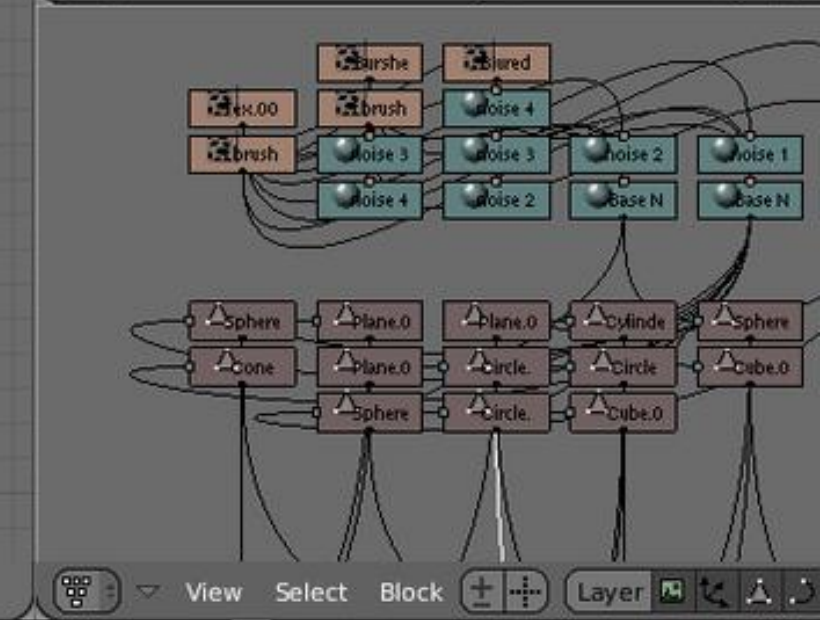
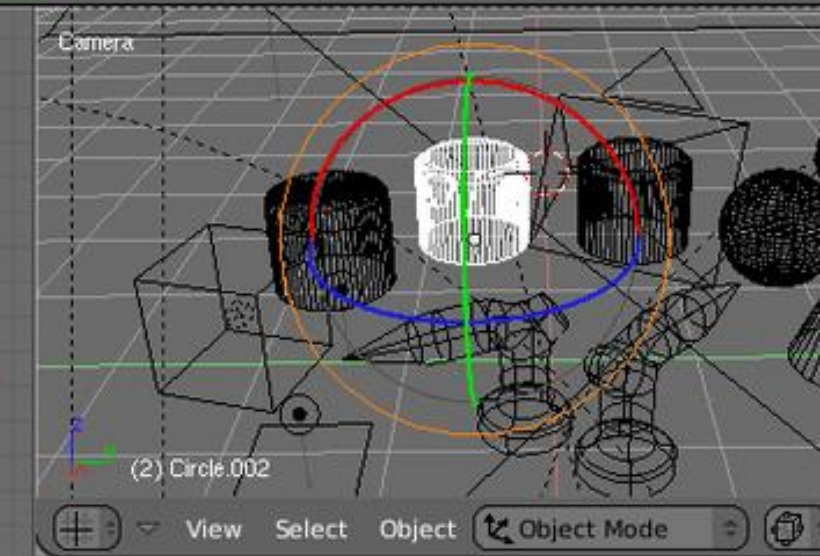
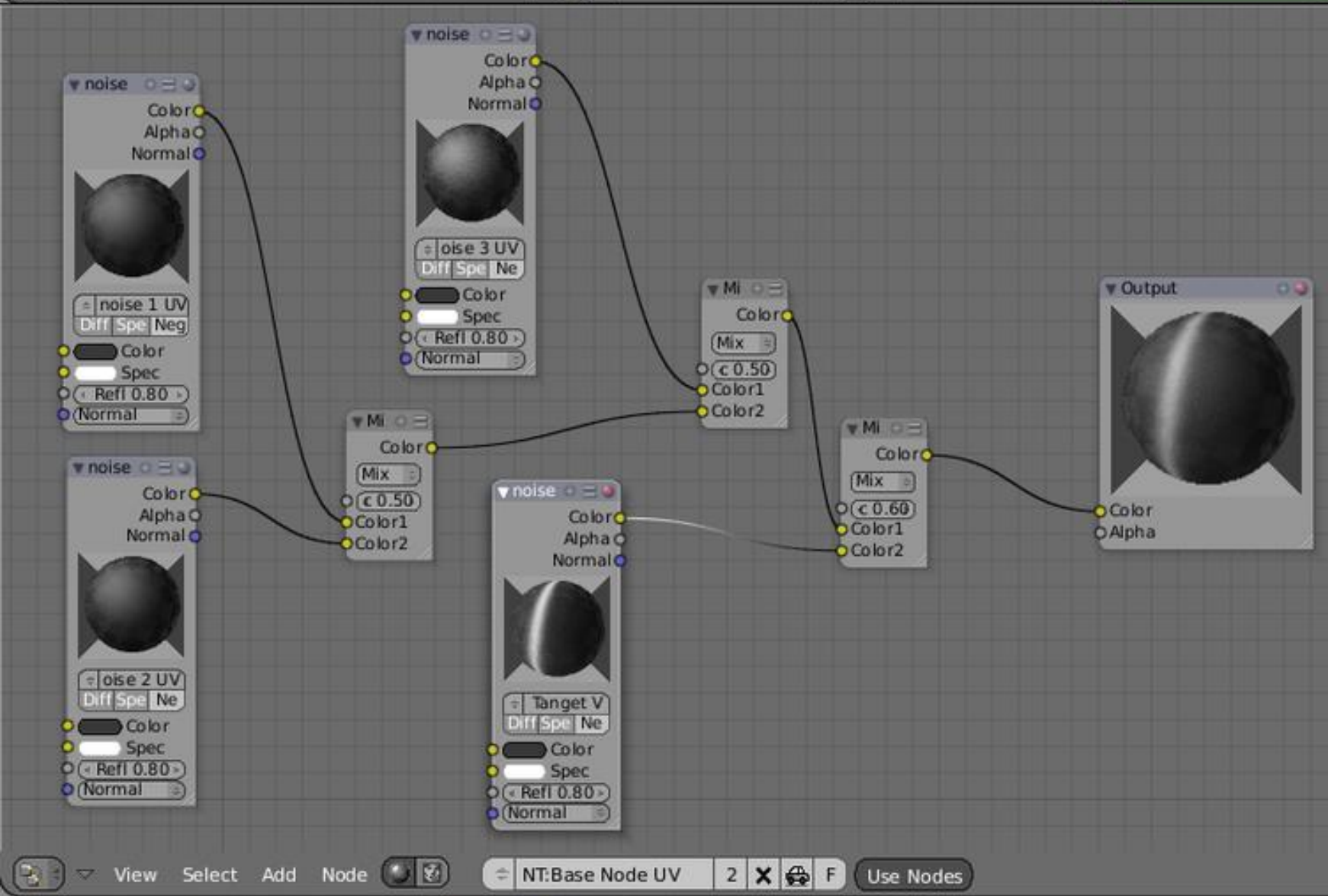


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