

# Using Generative Adversarial Networks to match experimental and simulated inelastic neutron scattering data

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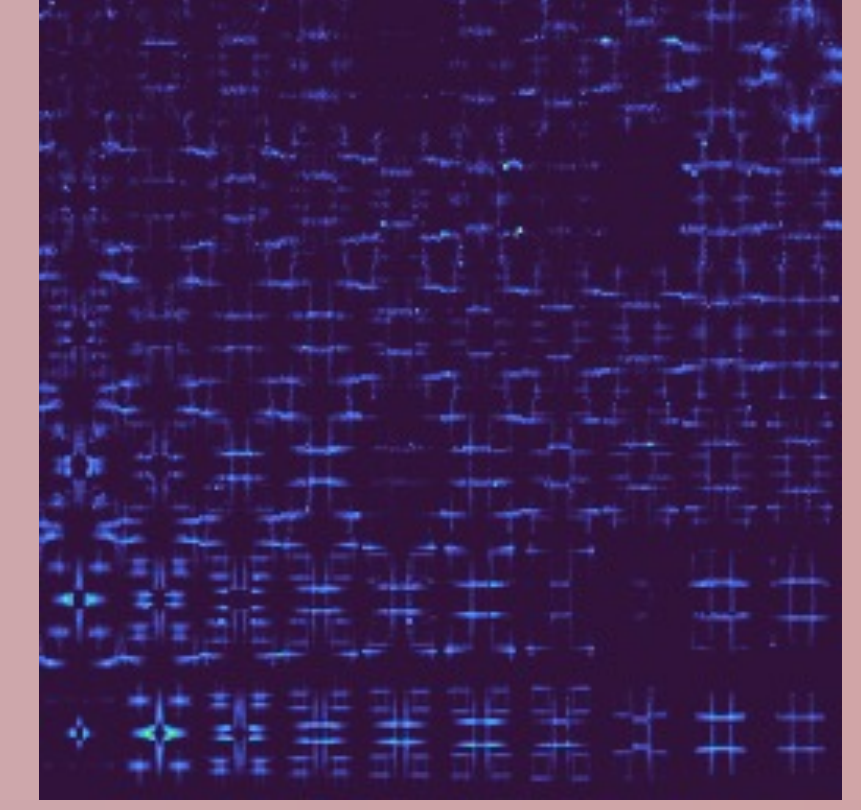
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## Introduction

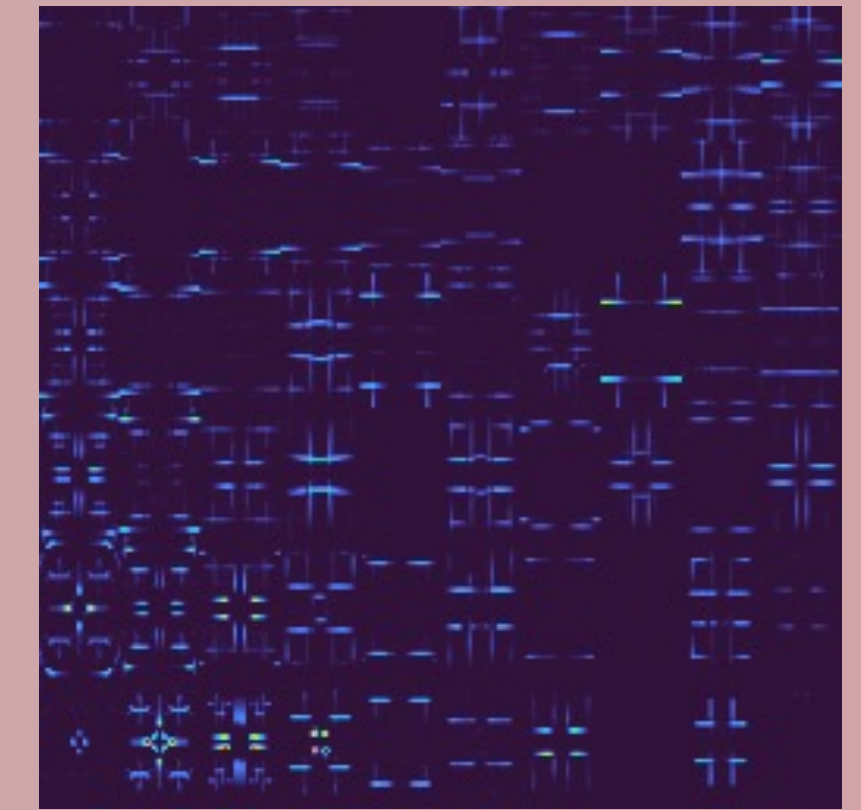
During the past decades, research in materials science has been accelerated by the rapid development of synchrotron and neutron sources.<sup>[1]</sup> Conventional data analysis approaches using minimization techniques, such as least-squares fitting algorithms, cannot keep up with the increasing size of measured datasets. Consequently, data analysis is becoming a bottleneck for research in materials science.<sup>[2-3]</sup> Therefore, it is of great importance to improve the current state-of-the-art for data analysis for materials science, particularly utilizing recent developments in artificial intelligence and machine learning (ML).<sup>[2-4]</sup> One of the unsolved problems in this context is to match the simulated datasets that the ML algorithms are trained on to the experimental datasets. This has particularly been a problem for the analysis of inelastic neutron scattering (INS), where it is computationally expensive to ensure that simulated data correctly mimics the experimental signal and background.<sup>[5]</sup>

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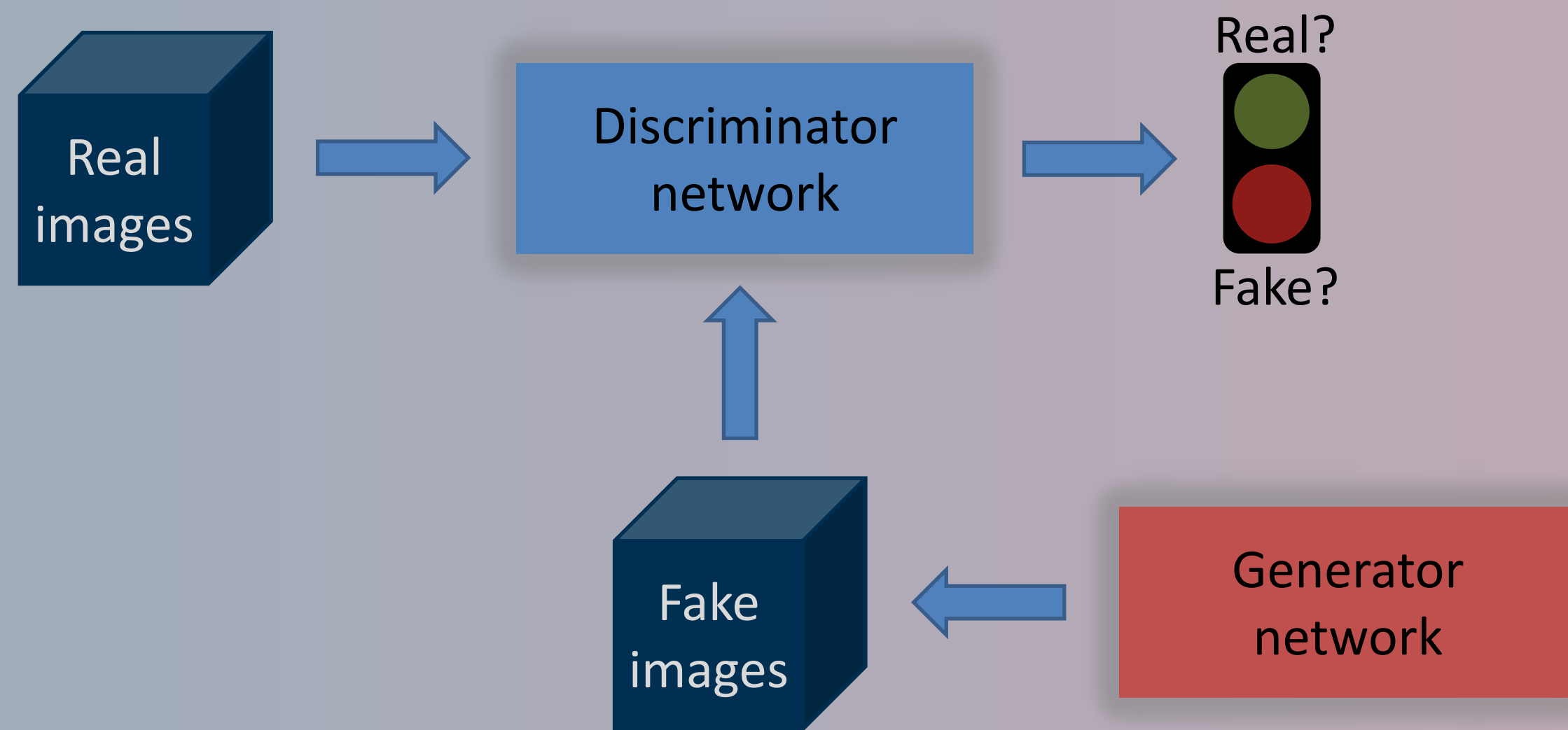
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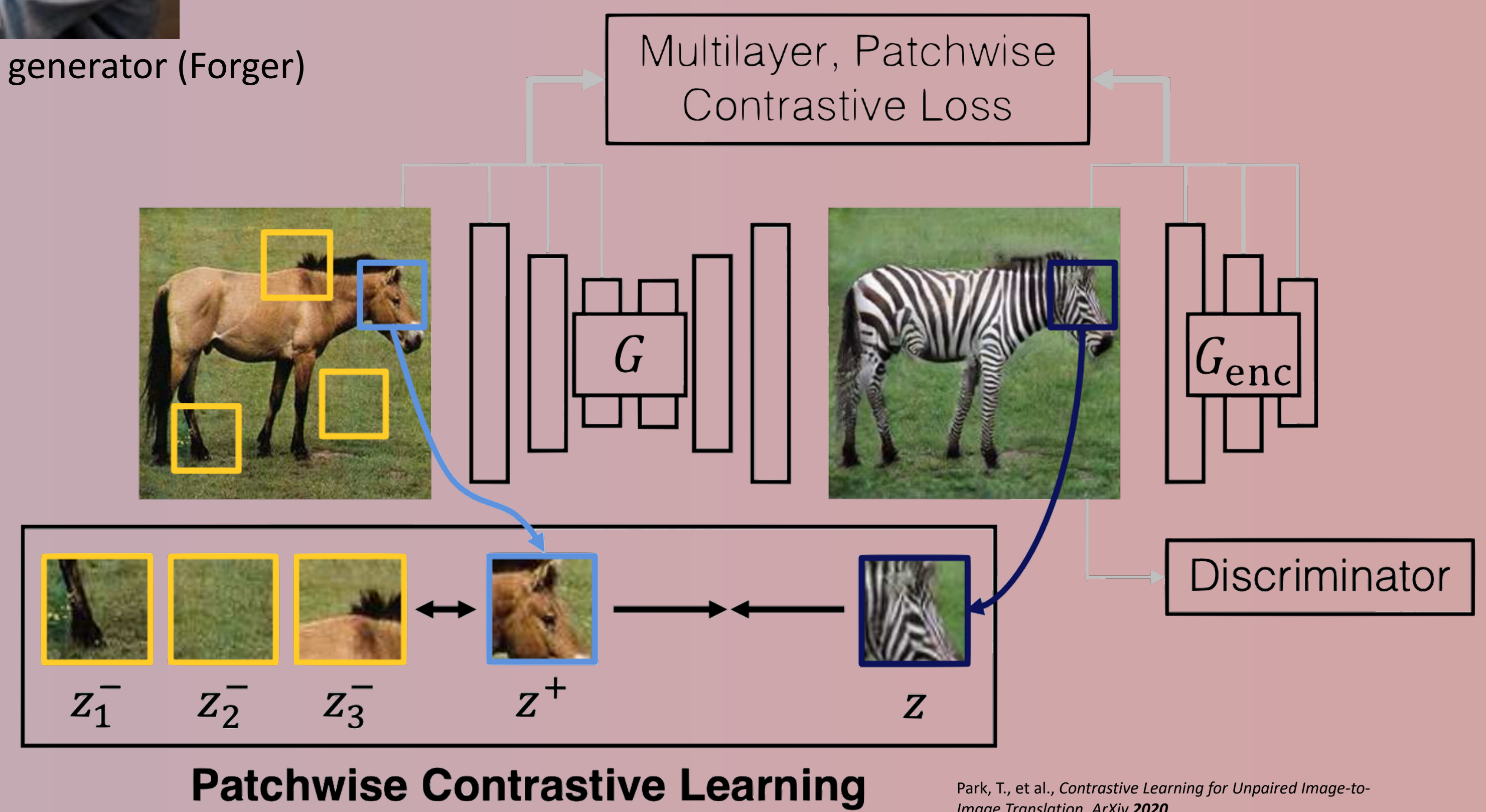
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## General architecture of a GAN

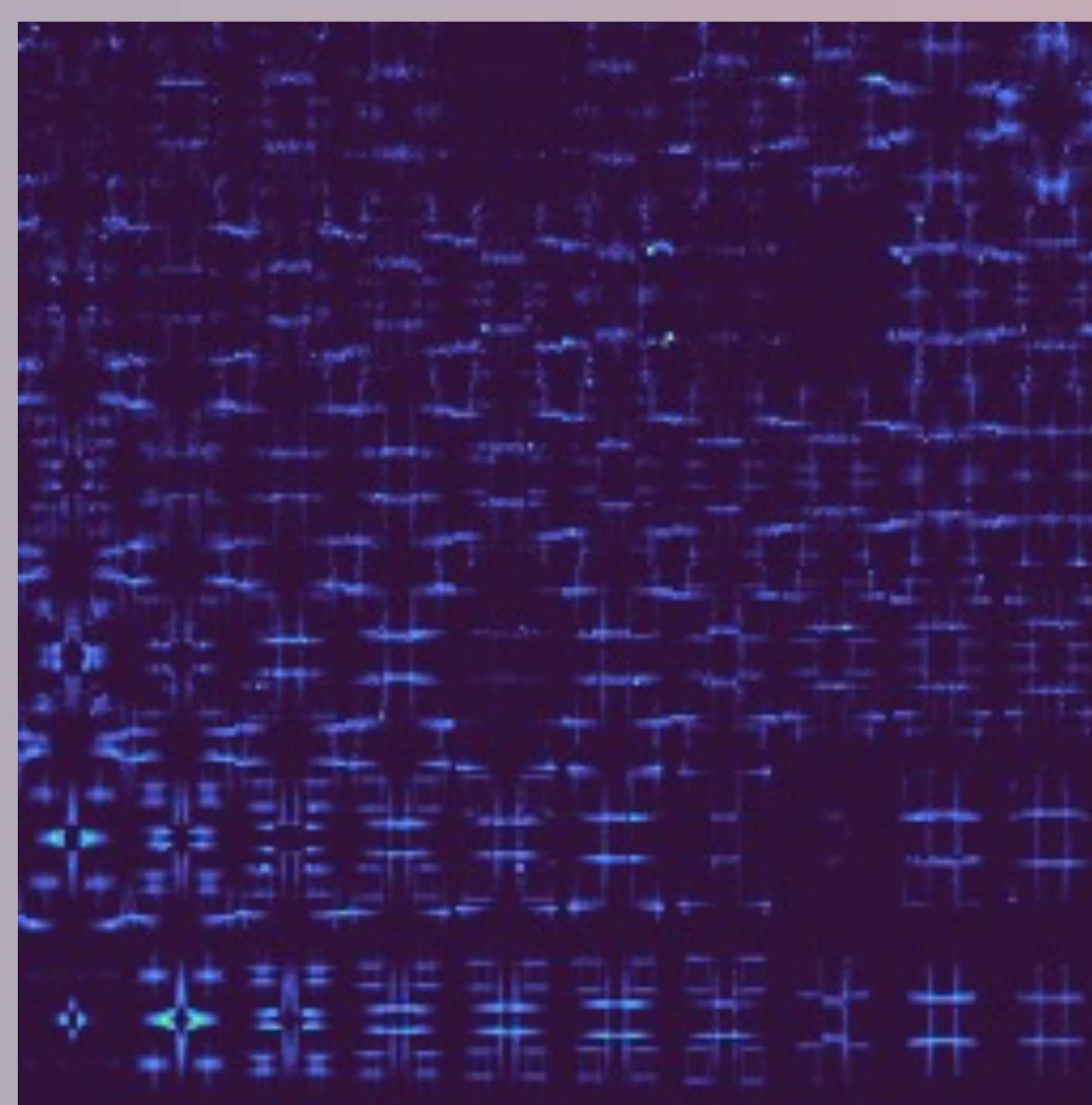


## Learning from patches

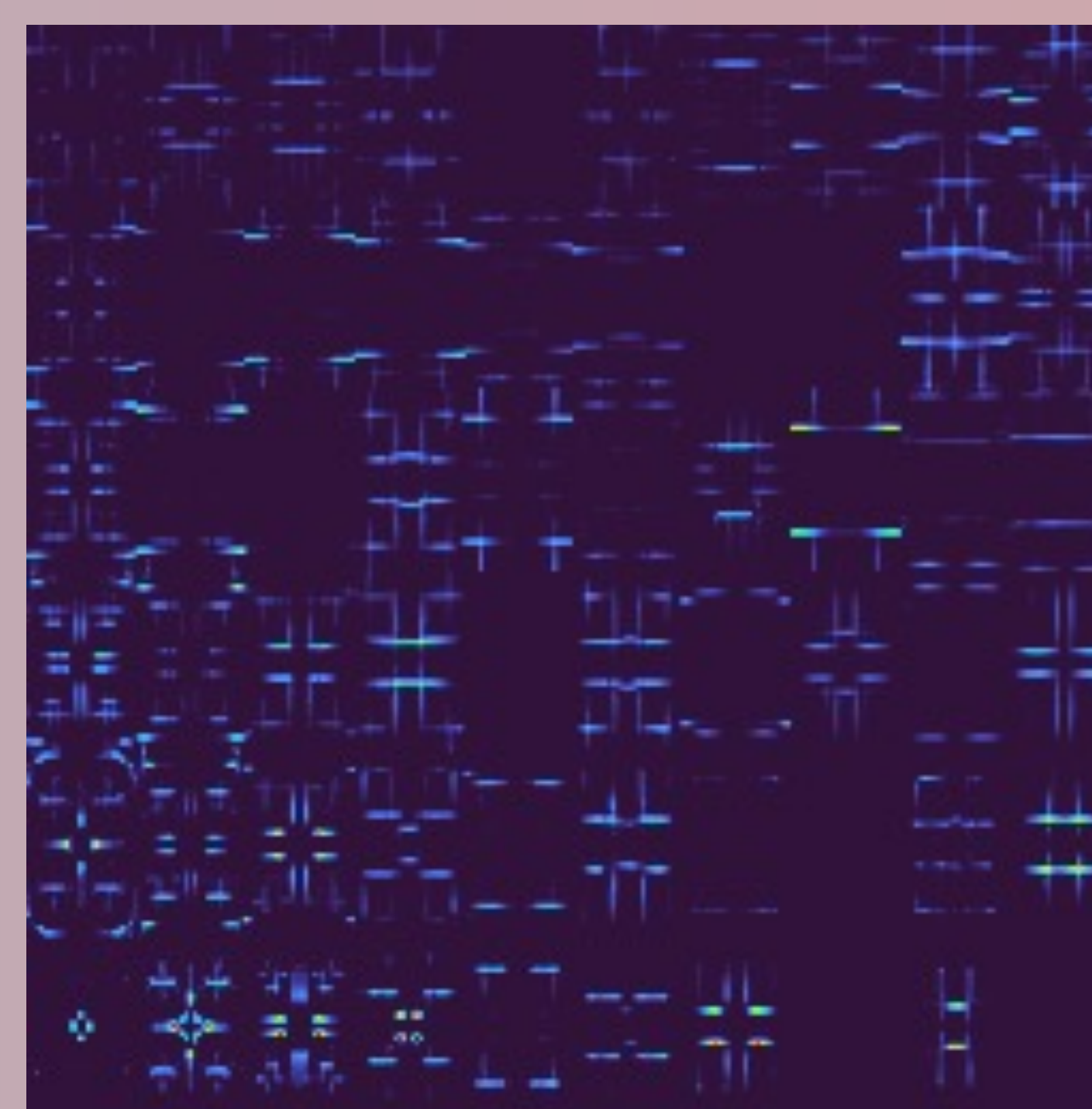


## Matching experimental and simulated inelastic neutron scattering (INS) data

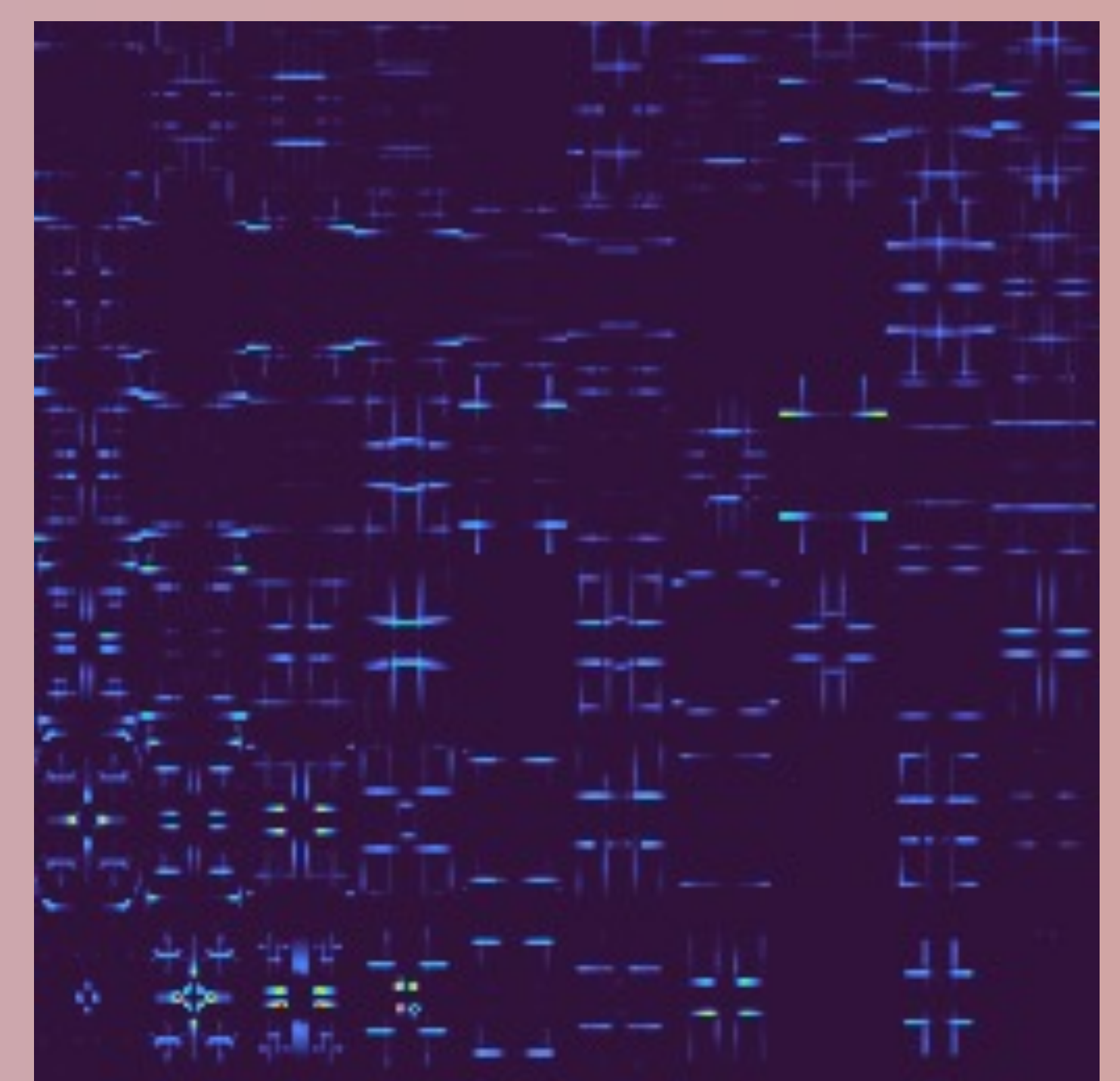
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GAN generated: data excluding the resolution function



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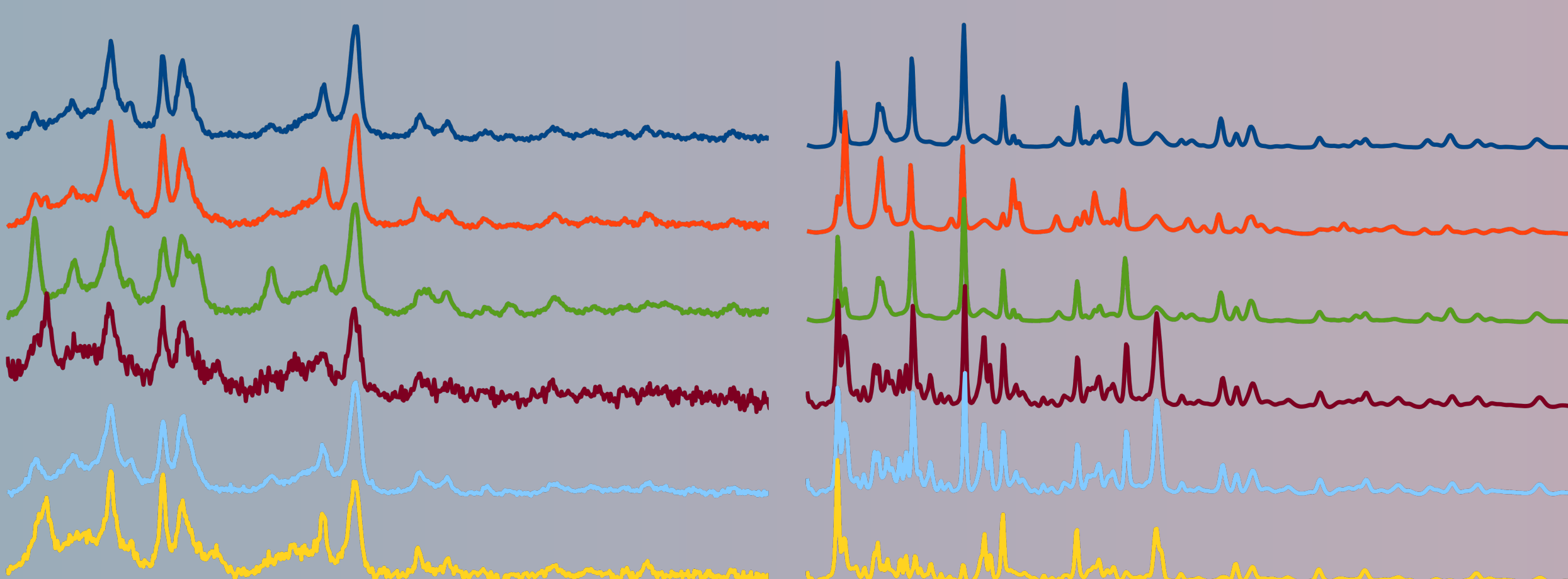
We are developing generative adversarial networks (GANs) that can learn to make simulated INS data that matches experimental INS dataset under a second. This GAN-based approach, once trained, will be deployed in a range of scenarios for analysing and understanding INS dataset. The GAN can be used to help classify materials structures from the INS datasets and to work with other ML and non-ML (e.g. Spin-W<sup>[6]</sup>) algorithms which can estimate magnetic Hamiltonian parameters from INS data.

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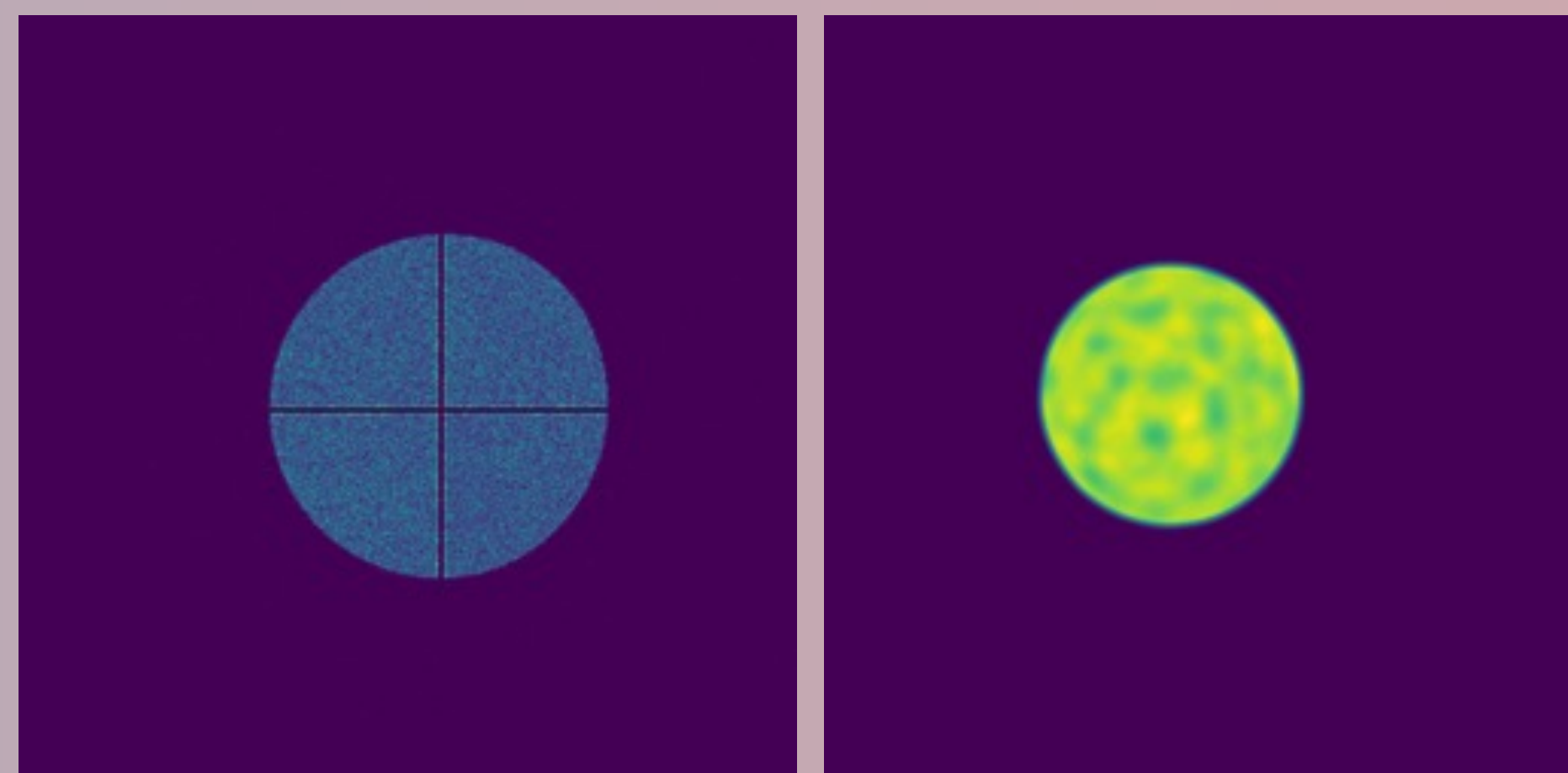
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Ptychography (2D simulated ↔ experimental)

Experimental

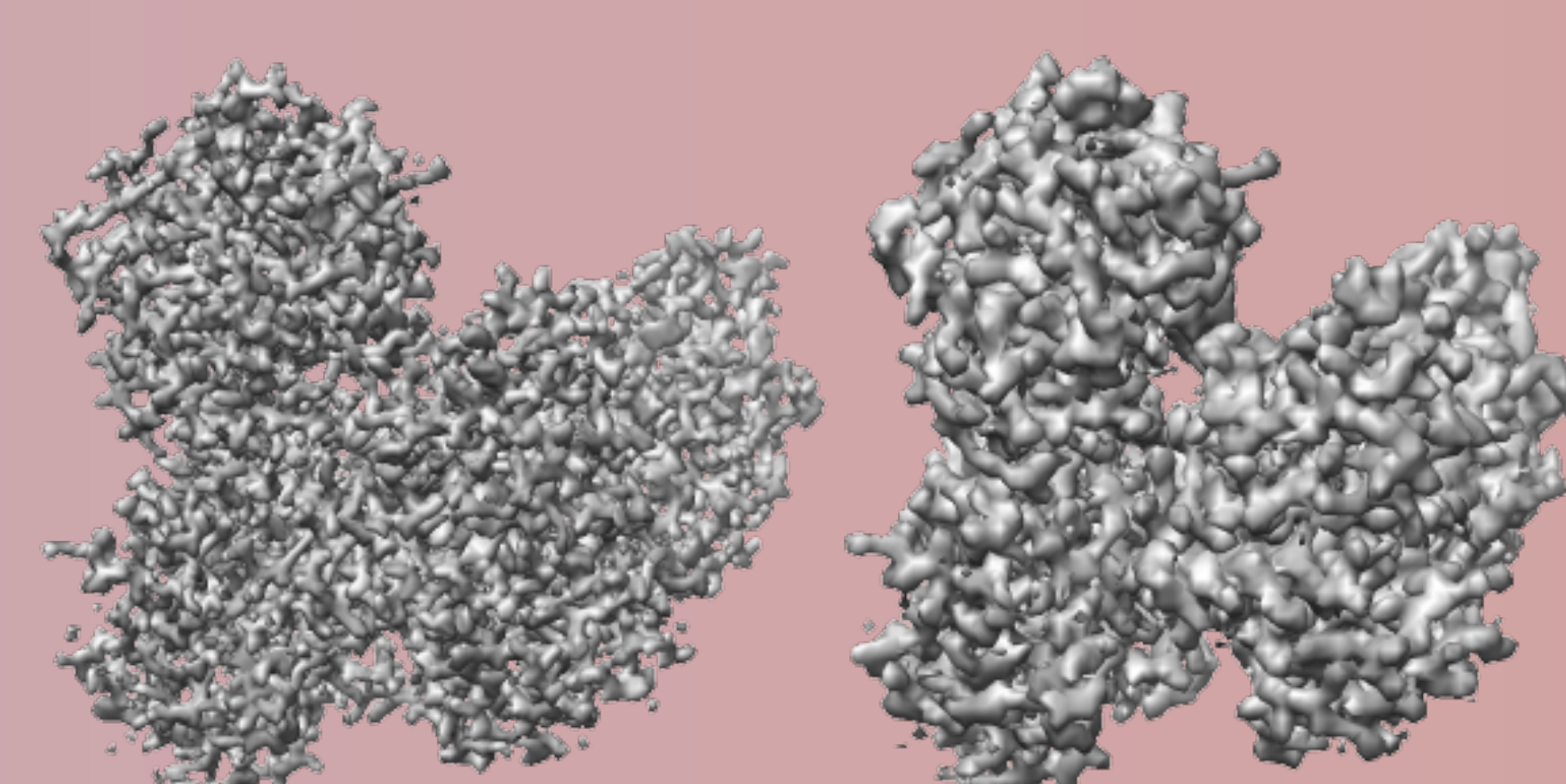
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Cryo EM (3D super resolution)

3 Å resolution

4 Å resolution

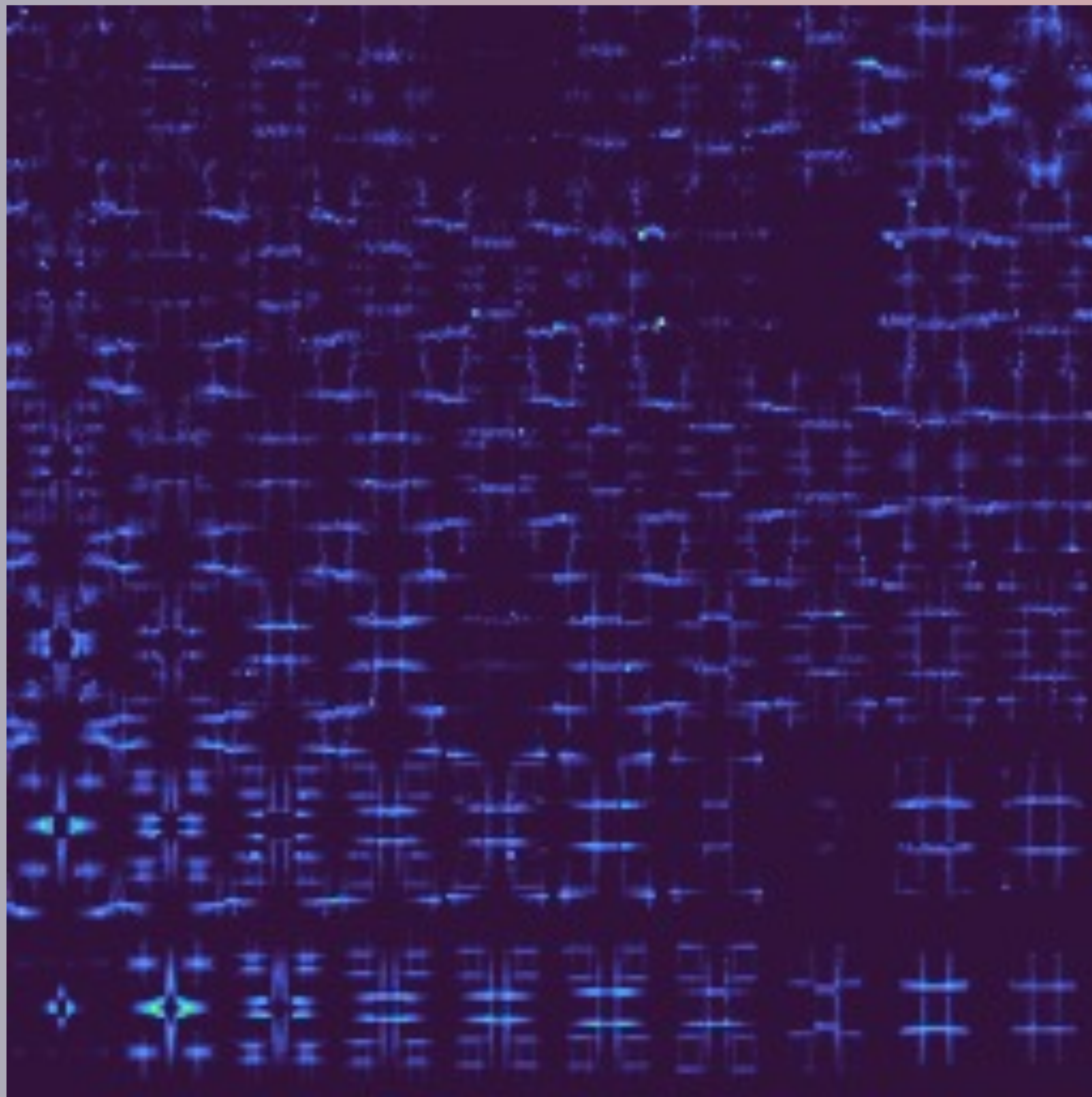


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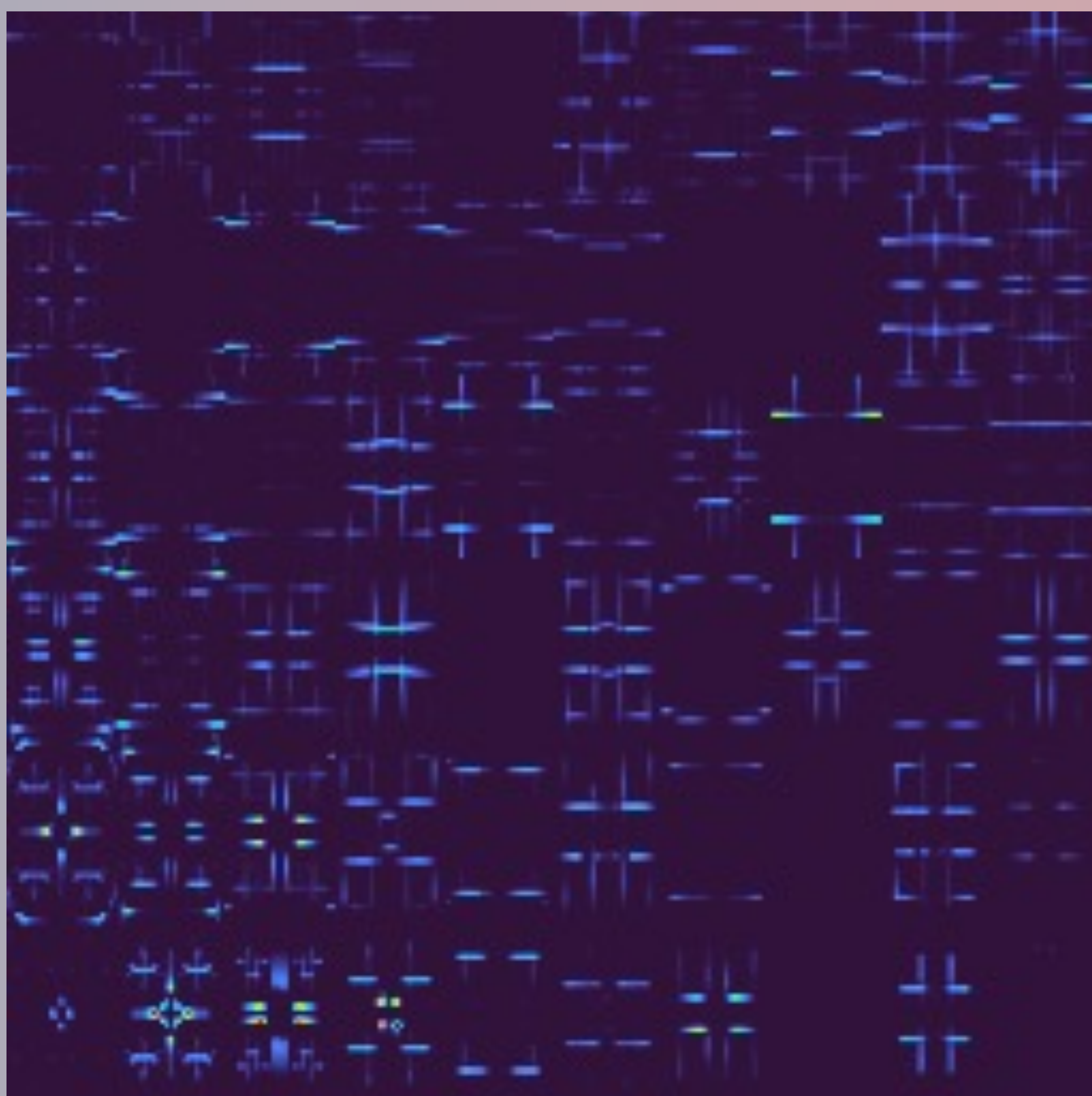
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Simulated data including the resolution function

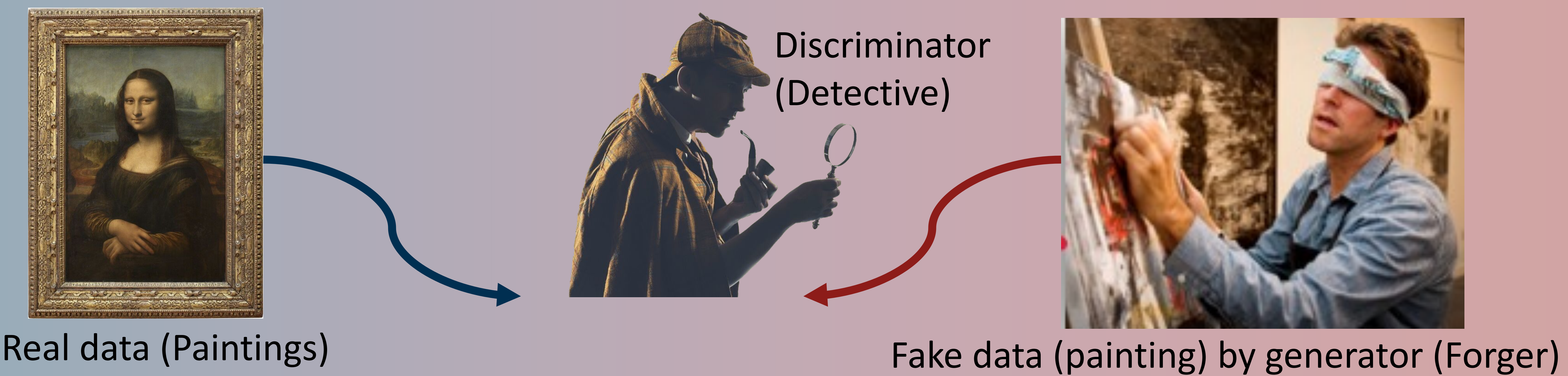


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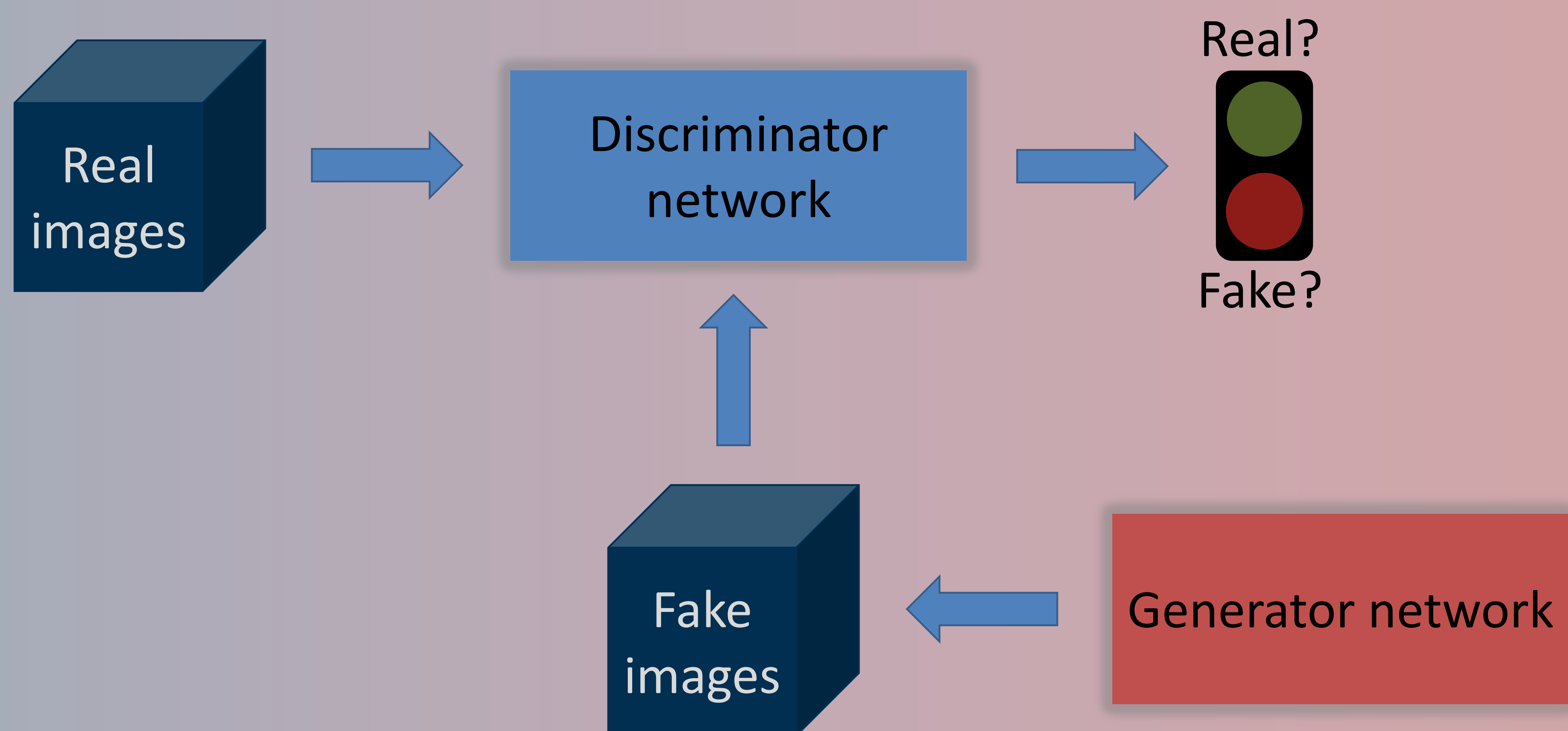




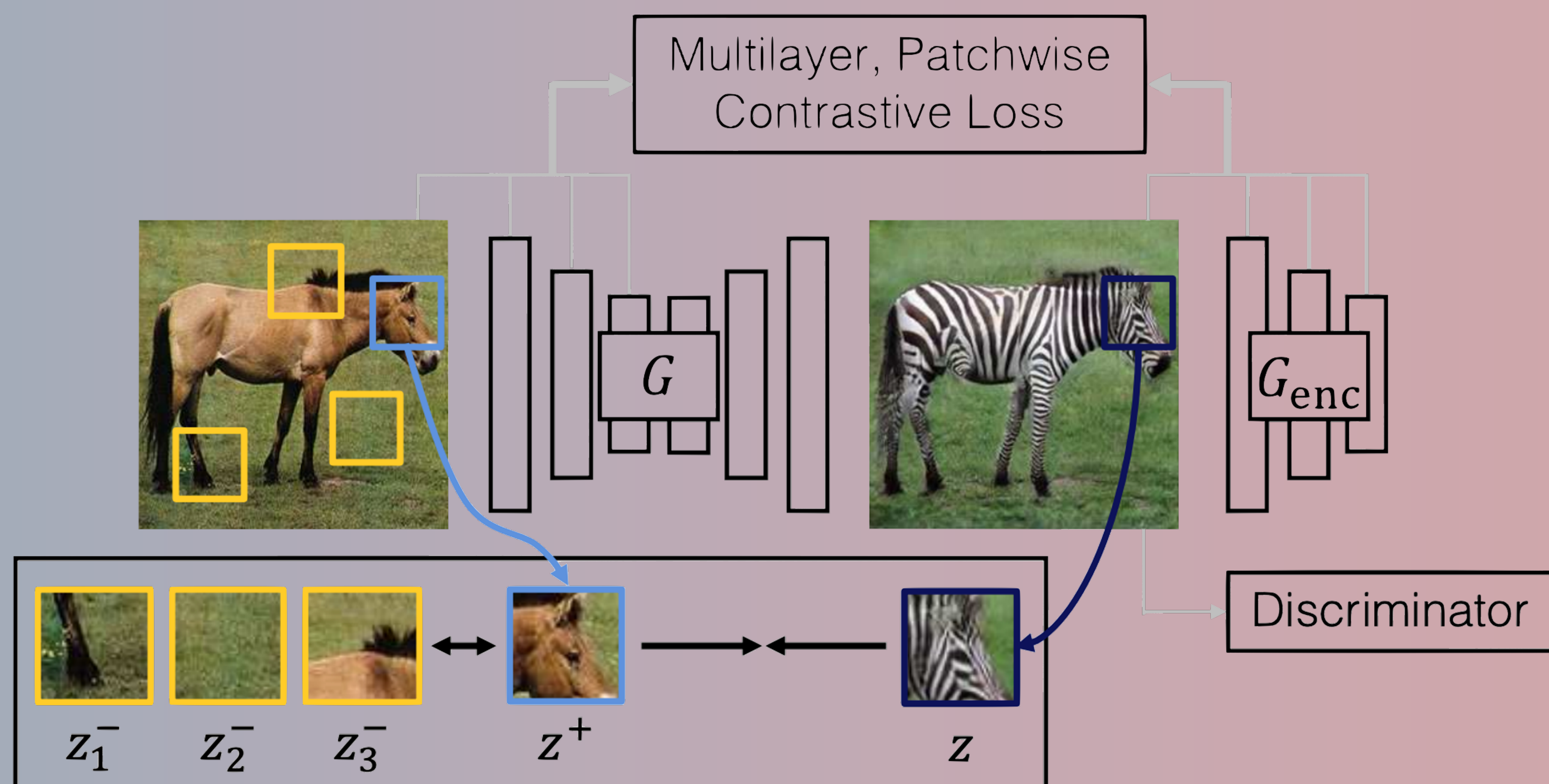
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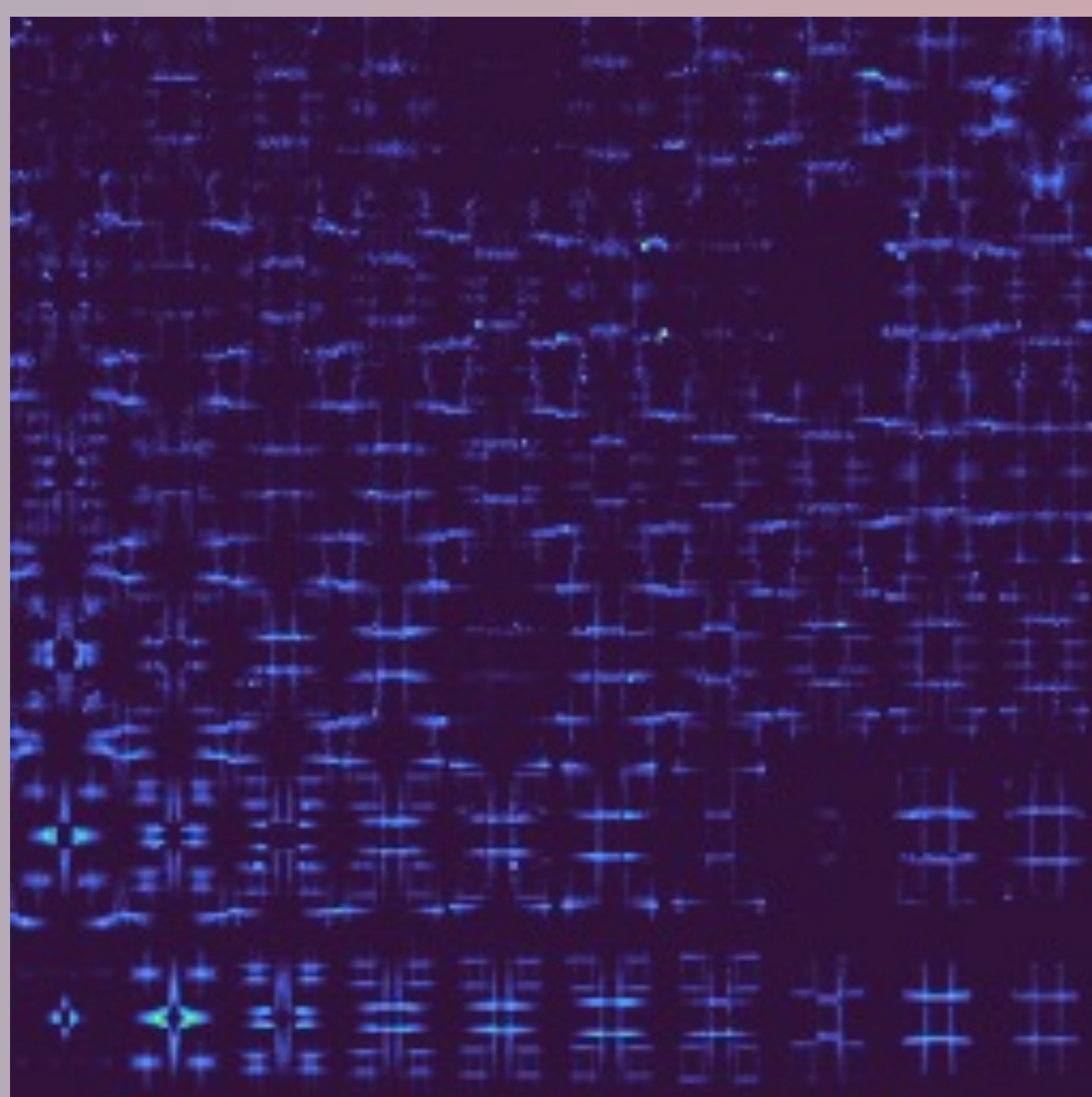


### Patchwise Contrastive Learning

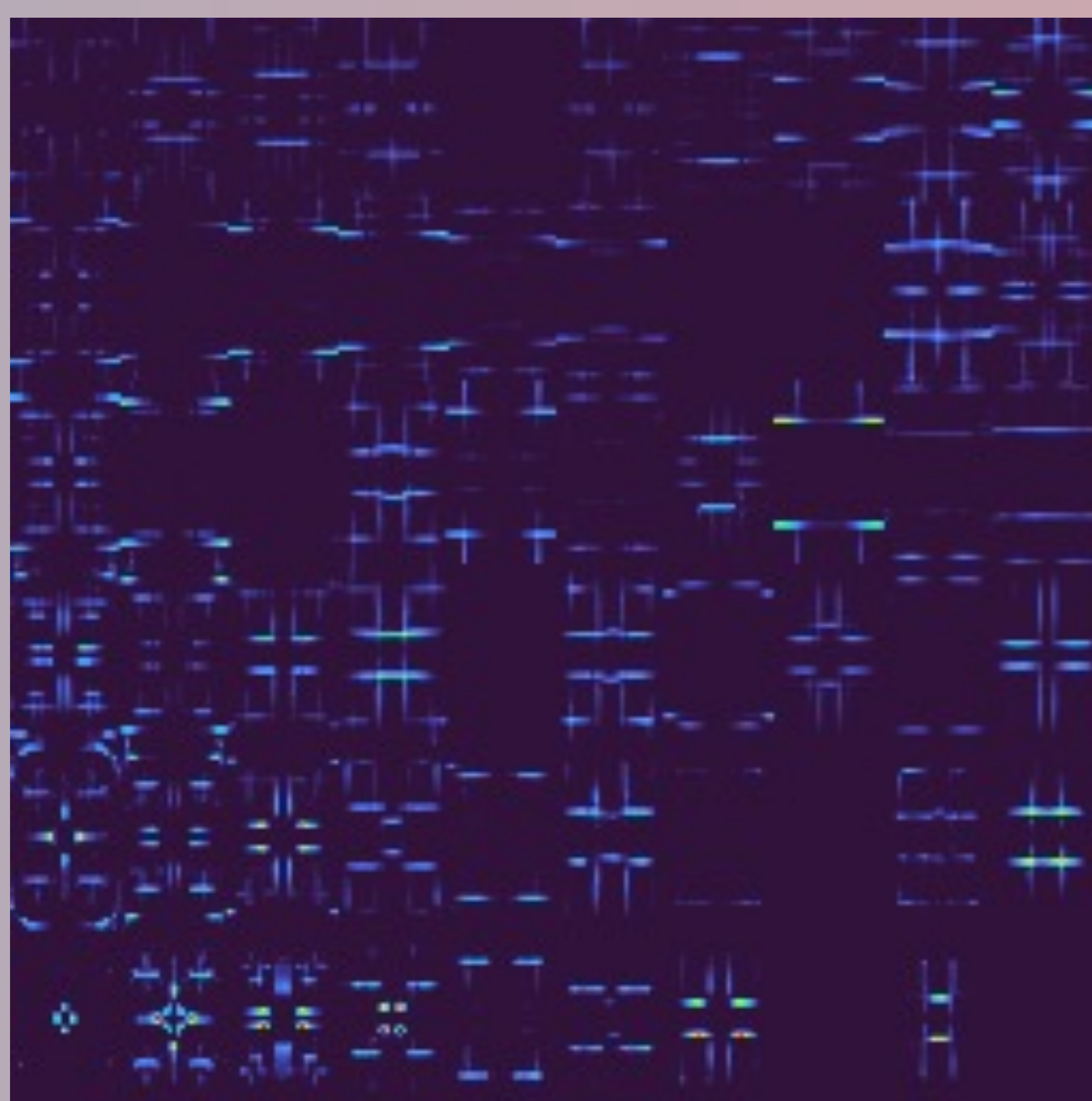


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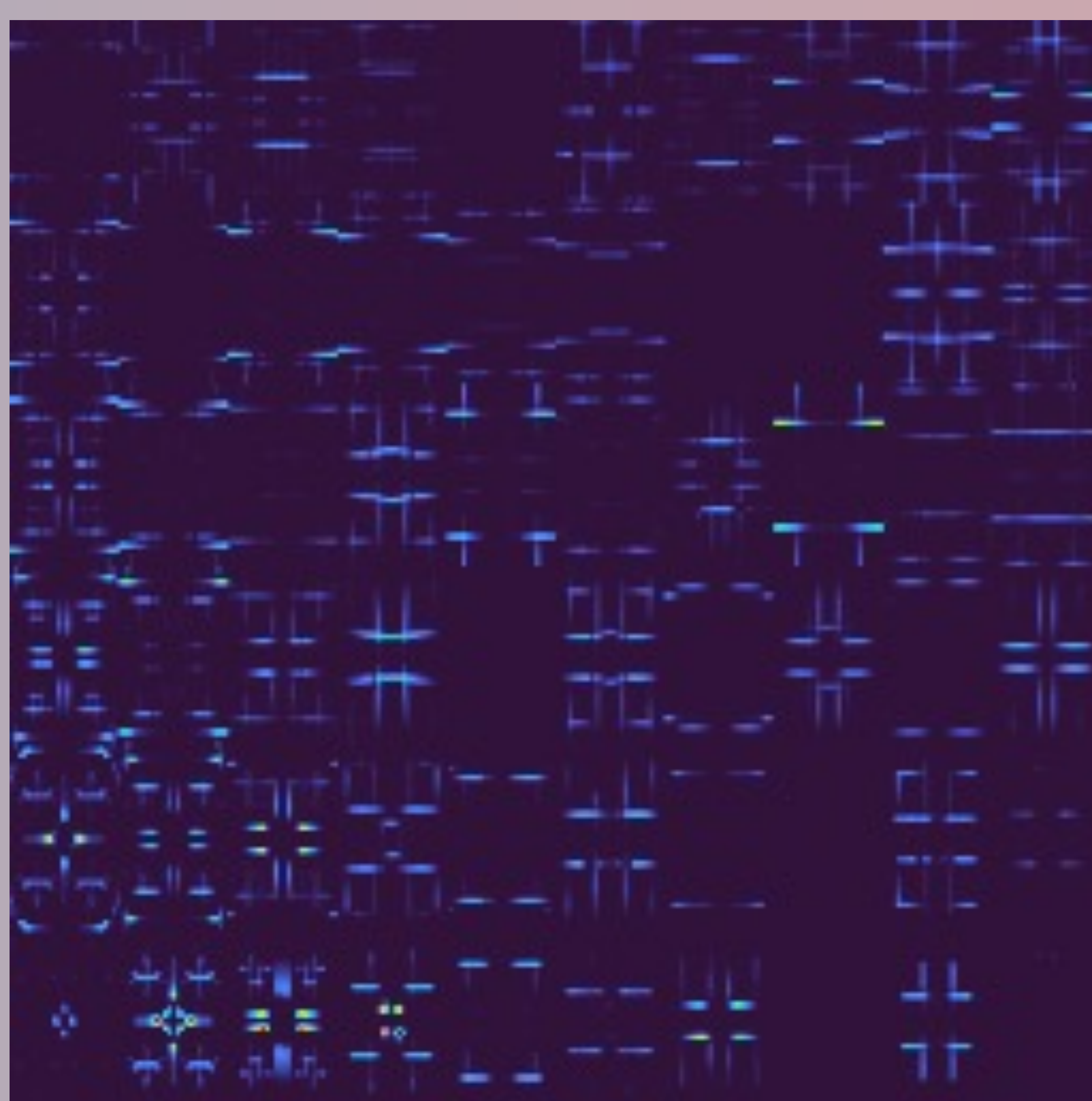
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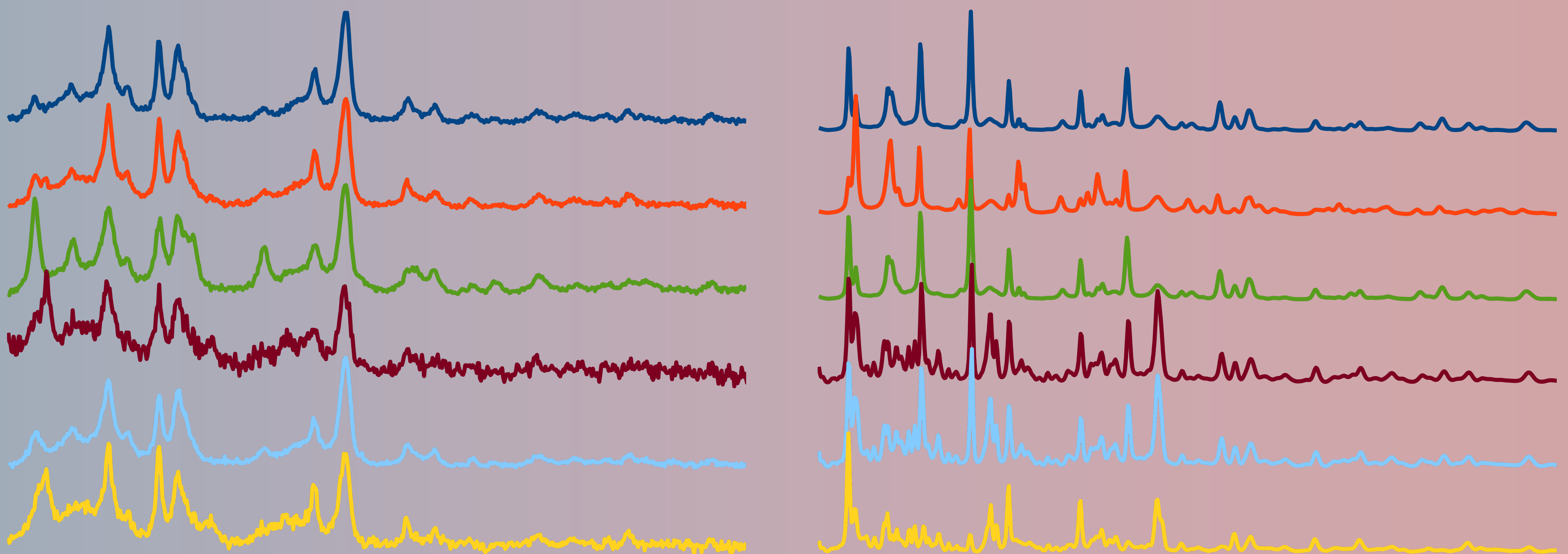


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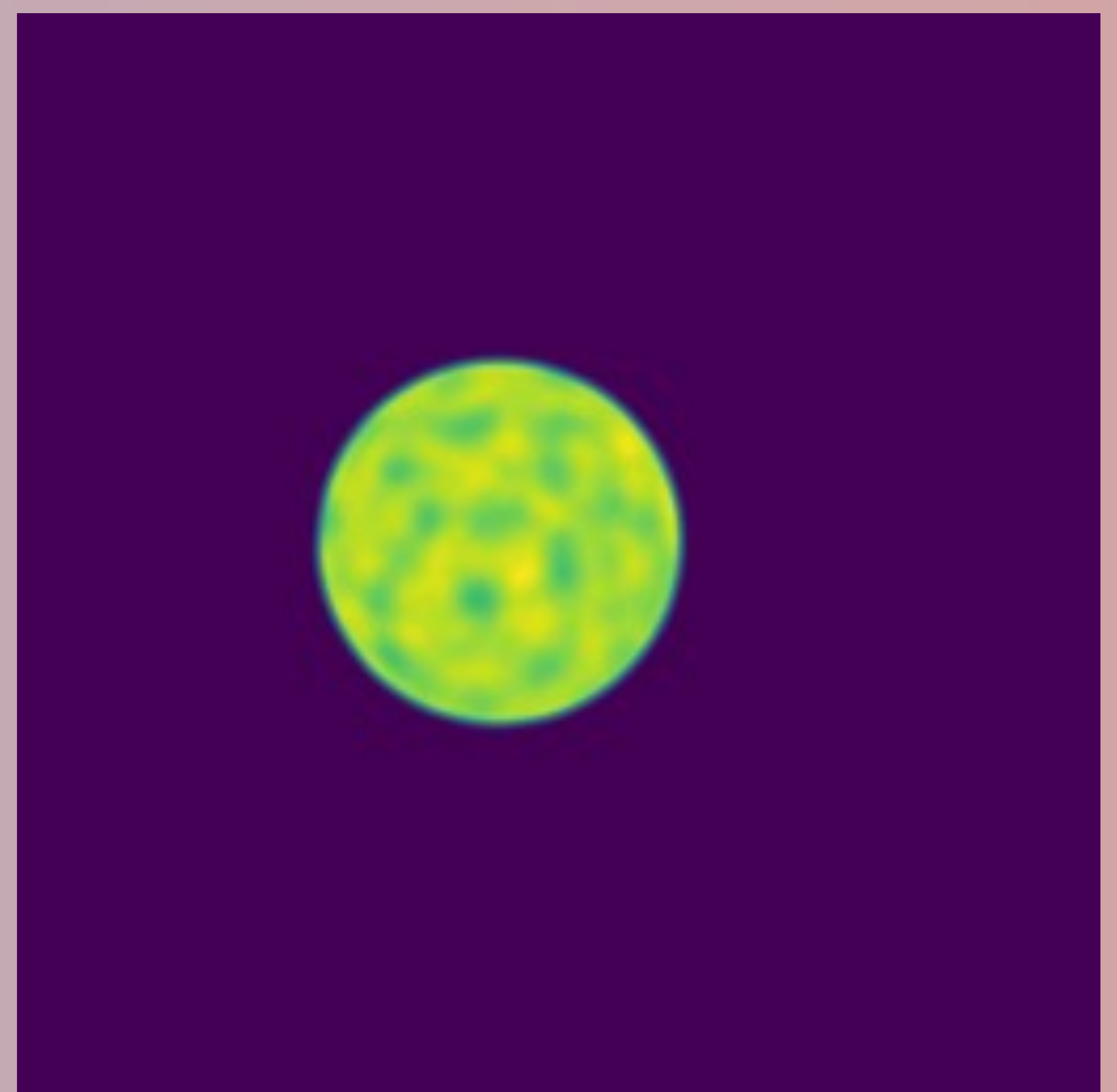
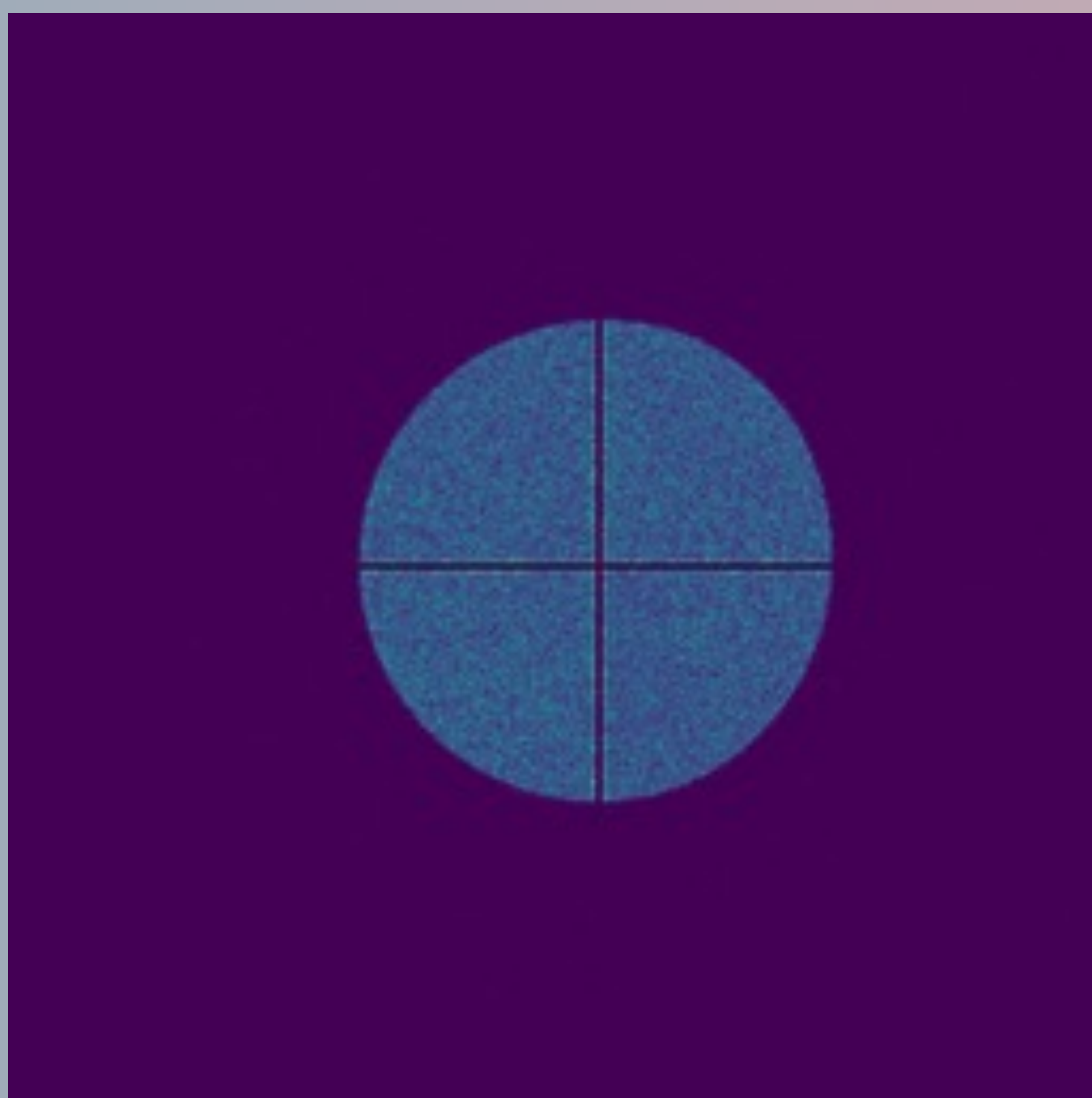
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