Case Study: the Bayer Colour Imaging Array

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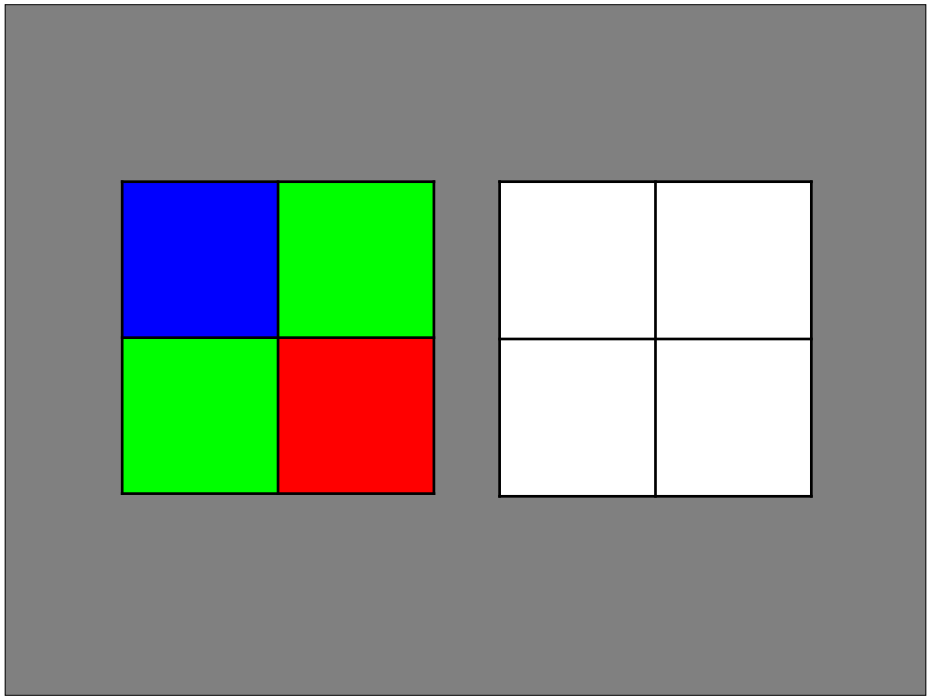
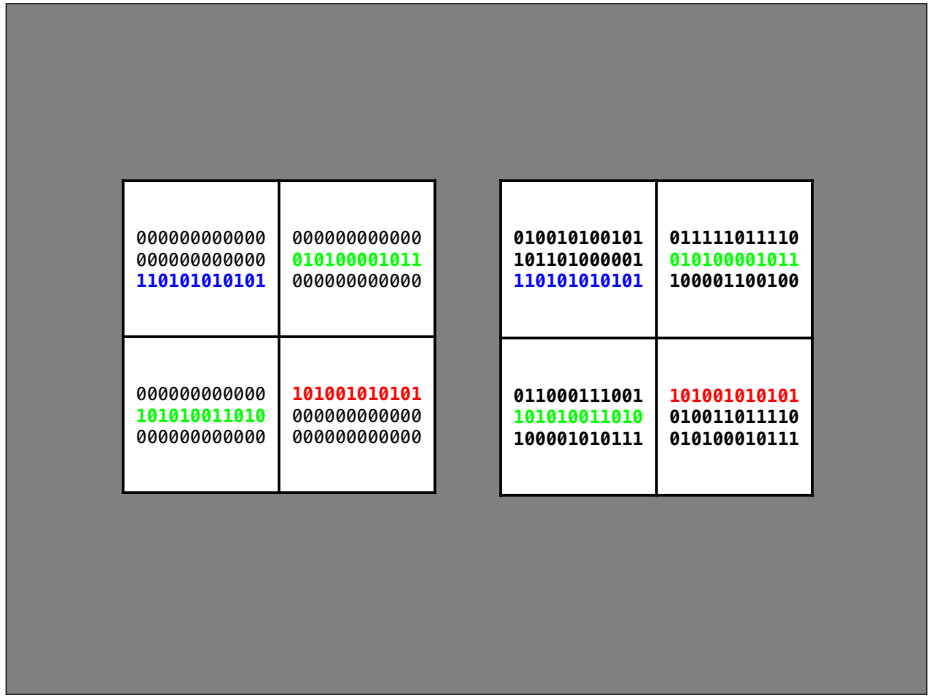
Uncomfortable Truths

- sensors are colour blind
- Bayer sensors do not generate full RGB

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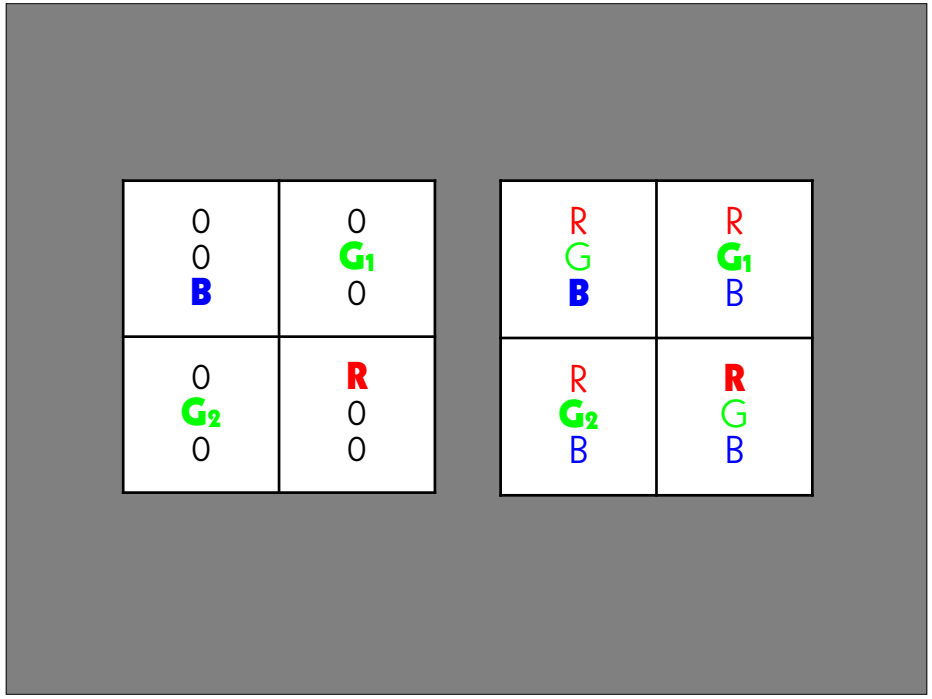
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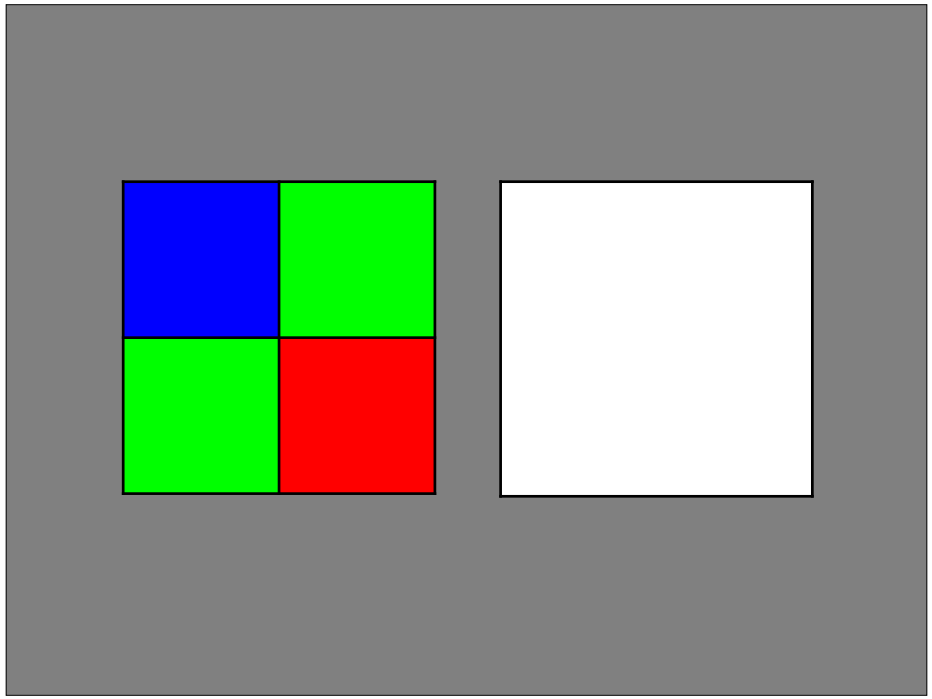

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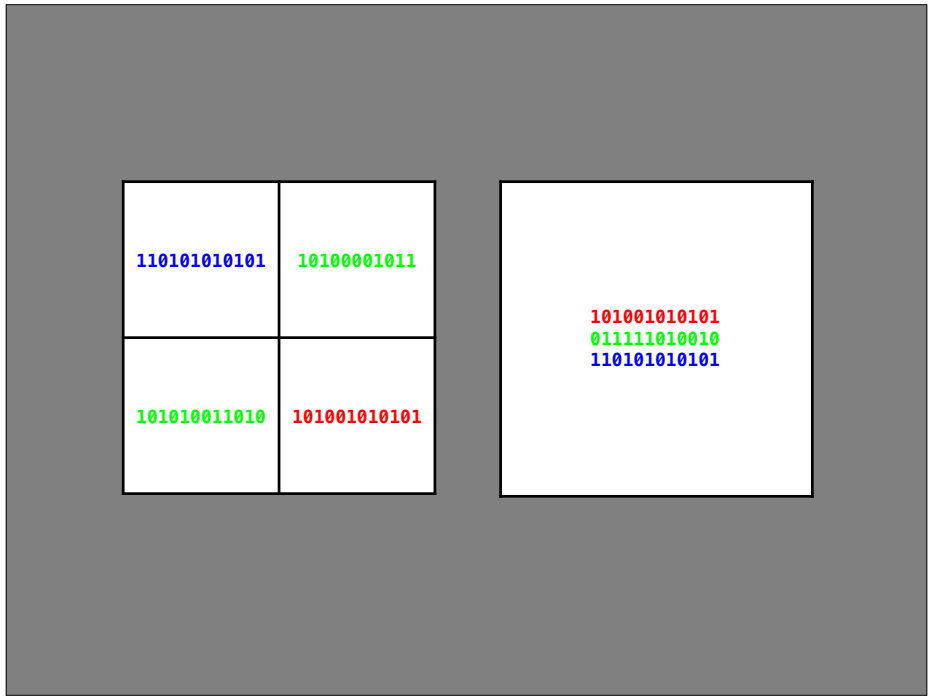
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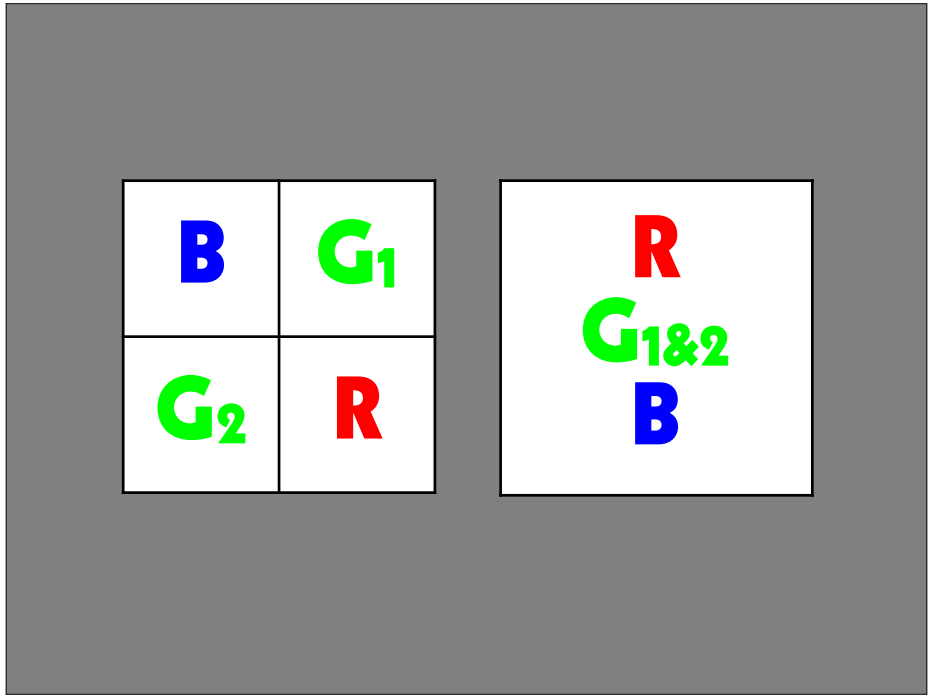

Two ways to use Bayer data

digital blow-up to RGB

- 3 times the amount of the generated data
- the file has the full sensor resolution
- only ⅓ of the data are real

digital reduction to RGB

- ¾ the amount of the generated data
- the file has ½ of the sensor resolution
- all data are real

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