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# *Squeeze, Recover and Relabel: Dataset Condensation at ImageNet Scale From A New Perspective*

## Supplementary Material

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## 1 Appendix

2 In the appendix, we provide details omitted in the main text, including:

- 3 • Section A: Implementation Details.
- 4 • Section B: Low-Resolution Data ( $32\times 32$ ).
- 5 • Section C: Feature Embedding Distribution.
- 6 • Section D: More Visualization of Synthetic Data.

## 7 A Implementation Details

### 8 A.1 Dataset Statistics

9 Table 1 enumerates various permutations of ImageNet-1K training set, delineated according to their  
10 individual configurations. Tiny-ImageNet [1] incorporates 200 classes derived from ImageNet-1K,  
11 with each class comprising 500 images possessing a resolution of  $64\times 64$ . ImageNette/ImageWoof [2]  
12 (alternatively referred to as subsets of ImageNet) include 10 classes from analogous subcategories,  
13 with each image having a resolution of  $112\times 112$ . The MTT [3] framework introduces additional  
14 10-class subsets of ImageNet, encompassing ImageFruit, ImageSquawk, ImageMeow, ImageBlub,  
15 and ImageYellow. ImageNet-10/100 [4] samples 10/100 classes from ImageNet while maintaining an  
16 image resolution of  $224\times 224$ . Downsampled ImageNet-1K rescales the entirety of ImageNet data to  
17 a resolution of  $64\times 64$ . In our experiments, we opt for two standard datasets of relatively large scale:  
18 Tiny-ImageNet and the full ImageNet-1K.

Training Dataset	#Class	#Img per class	Resolution	Method
Tiny-ImageNet [1]	200	500	$64\times 64$	MTT [3], FRePo [5], DM [6], SRe <sup>2</sup> L (Ours)
ImageNette/ImageWoof [2]	10	$\sim 1,000$	$112\times 112$	MTT [3], FRePo [5]
ImageNet-10/100 [4]	10/100	$\sim 1,200$	$224\times 224$	IDC [7]
Downsampled ImageNet-1K [8]	1,000	$\sim 1,200$	$64\times 64$	TESLA [9], DM [6]
Full ImageNet-1K [10]	1,000	$\sim 1,200$	$224\times 224$	SRe <sup>2</sup> L (Ours)

Table 1: Variants of ImageNet-1K training set with different configurations.

### 19 A.2 Squeezing Details

### 20 Data Augmentation.

config	value	config	value
optimizer	SGD	optimizer	AdamW
base learning rate	0.2	base learning rate	0.001
weight decay	1e-4	weight decay	0.01
optimizer momentum	0.9	optimizer momentum	$\beta_1, \beta_2 = 0.9, 0.999$
batch size	256	batch size	1,024
learning rate schedule	cosine decay	learning rate schedule	cosine decay
training epoch	100	training epoch	300
augmentation	RandomResizedCrop	augmentation	RandomResizedCrop

(a) Tiny-ImageNet squeezing setting.

config	value	config	value
$\alpha_{BN}$	1.0	$\alpha_{BN}$	0.01
optimizer	Adam	optimizer	Adam
base learning rate	0.1	base learning rate	0.25
weight decay	1e-4	weight decay	1e-4
optimizer momentum	$\beta_1, \beta_2 = 0.5, 0.9$	optimizer momentum	$\beta_1, \beta_2 = 0.5, 0.9$
batch size	100	batch size	100
learning rate schedule	cosine decay	learning rate schedule	cosine decay
recovering iteration	1,000	recovering iteration	2,000
augmentation	RandomResizedCrop	augmentation	RandomResizedCrop

(b) ImageNet-1K validation setting.

config	value	config	value
$\alpha_{BN}$	1.0	$\alpha_{BN}$	0.01
optimizer	Adam	optimizer	Adam
base learning rate	0.1	base learning rate	0.25
weight decay	1e-4	weight decay	1e-4
optimizer momentum	$\beta_1, \beta_2 = 0.5, 0.9$	optimizer momentum	$\beta_1, \beta_2 = 0.5, 0.9$
batch size	100	batch size	100
learning rate schedule	cosine decay	learning rate schedule	cosine decay
recovering iteration	1,000	recovering iteration	2,000
augmentation	RandomResizedCrop	augmentation	RandomResizedCrop

(c) Tiny-ImageNet recovering setting.

config	value	config	value
$\alpha_{BN}$	1.0	$\alpha_{BN}$	0.01
optimizer	Adam	optimizer	Adam
base learning rate	0.1	base learning rate	0.25
weight decay	1e-4	weight decay	1e-4
optimizer momentum	$\beta_1, \beta_2 = 0.5, 0.9$	optimizer momentum	$\beta_1, \beta_2 = 0.5, 0.9$
batch size	100	batch size	100
learning rate schedule	cosine decay	learning rate schedule	cosine decay
recovering iteration	1,000	recovering iteration	2,000
augmentation	RandomResizedCrop	augmentation	RandomResizedCrop

(d) ImageNet-1K recovering setting.

Table 2: Parameter settings in three stages.

Table 2 in the main paper illustrates that the utilization of data augmentation techniques during the squeeze phase contributes to a decrease in the final accuracy of the data recovered. To summarize, the results on Tiny-ImageNet indicate that lengthening the training period and the application of data augmentation in the squeeze phase intensify the intricacy involved in data recovery from the compressed model.

Parallel conclusions are inferred from the compressed models for the ImageNet-1K dataset. For our experimental setup, we aimed to extract data from a pre-trained ResNet50 model with available  $V1$  and  $V2$  weights in the PyTorch model zoo. The results propose that the task of data extraction poses a greater challenge from the ResNet50 model equipped with  $V2$  weights as compared to the model incorporating  $V1$  weights. This can be attributed to the fact that models utilizing  $V1$  weights are trained employing a rudimentary recipe, whereas models with  $V2$  weights encompass numerous training enhancements, such as prolonged training and data augmentation, to achieve cutting-edge performance. These additional complexities impede the data recovery process. Therefore, the pre-trained models we employ for the recovery of ImageNet-1K images are those integrating  $V1$  weights from the PyTorch model zoo.

### Hyper-parameter Setting.

- Tiny-ImageNet: We train modified ResNet- $\{18, 50\}$  models on Tiny-ImageNet data with the parameter setting in Table 2a. The well-trained ResNet- $\{18, 50\}$  models achieve Top-1 accuracy of  $\{59.47\%, 61.17\%\}$  under the 50 epoch training setting.

- ImageNet-1K: We use PyTorch off-the-shelf ResNet- $\{18, 50\}$  with  $V1$  weights and Top-1 accuracy of  $\{69.76\%, 76.13\%\}$  as squeezed/condensed models. In the original training script [11], ResNet models are trained for 90 epochs with a SGD optimizer, learning rate of 0.1, momentum of 0.9 and weight decay of  $1 \times 10^{-4}$ .

### A.3 Recovering Details

**Regularization Terms.** We conduct a multitude of ablation experiments under varying regularization term conditions, as illustrated in Table 3. The two image prior regularizers, L2 regularization and total variation (TV), are not anticipated to enhance validation accuracy as our primary focus

Ablation			Top-1 acc. (%)	
$\mathcal{R}_{TV}$	$\mathcal{R}_{\ell_2}$	Random Crop	Tiny-ImageNet	ImageNet-1K
✓	✓	✗	29.87	22.92
✓	✗	✗	29.92	23.15
✗	✓	✗	30.11	40.81
✗	✗	✗	30.30	40.37
✗	✗	✓	37.88	46.71

Table 3: Top-1 validation accuracy under ablation experiment settings. ResNet-18 is used in three stages with the relabing temperature  $\tau = 20$ .

48 is on information recovery rather than image smoothness. Consequently, we exclude these two  
49 regularization terms from our experiments.

50 **Multi-crop Optimization.** To offset the `RandomResizedCrop` operation applied to the training data  
51 during the model training phase, we incorporate a corresponding `RandomResizedCrop` augmentation  
52 on synthetic data. This implies that only a minor cropped region in the synthetic data undergoes  
53 an update in each iteration. Our experimentation reveals that our multi-crop optimization strategy  
54 facilitates a notable improvement in validation accuracy, as presented in Table 3. A comparative  
55 visualization with other non-crop settings in Fig. 1 shows multiple miniature regions enriched with  
56 categorical features spread across the entire image in the last columns (SRe<sup>2</sup>L). Examples include  
57 multiple volcanic heads, shark bodies, bee fuzz, and mountain ridges. These multiple small feature  
58 regions populate the entire image, enhancing its expressiveness in terms of visualization. Therefore,  
59 the cropped regions on our synthetic images are not only more closely associated with the target  
60 categories but also more beneficial for model training.

61 **Memory Consumption and Computational Cost.** Regarding memory utilization, the memory  
62 accommodates a pre-trained model, reconstructed data, and the corresponding computational graph  
63 during the data recovery phase. Unlike the MTT approach, which necessitates all model states  
64 across all epochs during model training to align with the trajectory, our proposed methodology,  
65 SRe<sup>2</sup>L, merely requires the statistical data from each Batch Normalization (BN) layer, stored within  
66 the condensed model, for image optimization. In terms of computational overhead, it is directly  
67 proportional to the number of recovery iterations. To establish a trade-off between performance  
68 and computational time, we enforce a recovery budget of 1k iterations for Tiny-ImageNet and 2k  
69 iterations for ImageNet-1K in ablation experiments. Our best accuracy, achieved on condensed data  
70 from 4k recovery iterations, is presented in Table 4 in the main paper.

#### 71 **Hyper-parameter Setting.**

72 We calculate the total recovery loss  $\ell_{total} = \arg \min_{\mathcal{C}_{syn, |C|}} \ell(\phi_{\theta_\tau}(\tilde{x}_{syn}), \mathbf{y}) + \alpha_{BN} \mathcal{R}_{BN}$  and update synthetic  
73 data with the parameter setting in Table 2c and Table 2d for Tiny-ImageNet and ImageNet-1K,  
74 respectively.

#### 75 **A.4 Relabeling & Validation Details**

76 In this experiment, we utilize an architecture identical to that of a recovery model to provide soft  
77 labels as a teacher for synthesized images. We implement a fast knowledge distillation process for a  
78 duration of 300 epochs with a temperature setting of  $\tau = 20$ .

79 **Hyper-parameter Setting.** Regarding Tiny-ImageNet, we leverage the condensed data and the  
80 retargeted labels to train the validation model over a span of 100 epochs, with all other training  
81 parameters adhering to the condensing configurations outlined in Table 2a. In the case of ImageNet-  
82 1K, we train the validation model in accordance with the parameter configurations presented in  
83 Table 2b.

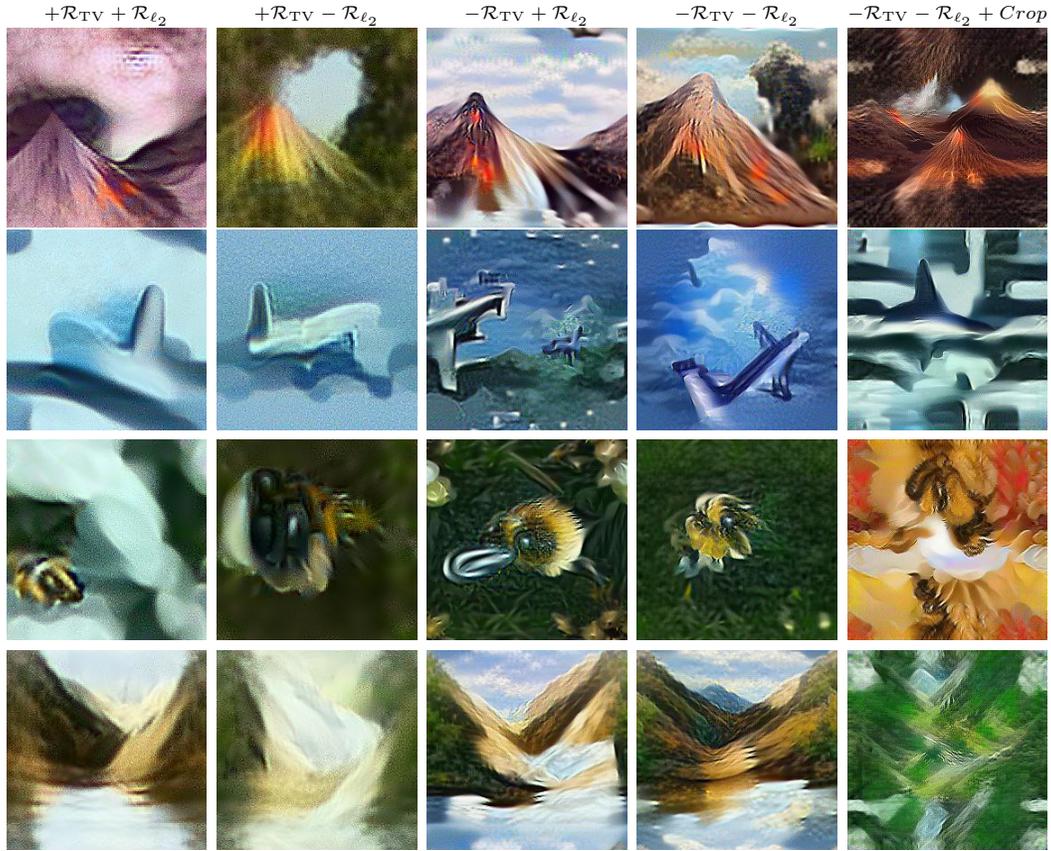


Figure 1: Distilled example visualization under various regularization terms and crop augmentation settings. Selected classes are {Volcano, Hammerhead Shark, Bee, Valley}.

## 84 B Low-Resolution Data ( $32 \times 32$ )

85 Experiments were carried out on diminutive datasets such as MNIST and CIFAR. Intrinsicly, these  
 86 datasets encapsulate a limited quantum of information. Our method, which involves squeezing and  
 87 subsequent recovering, inherently leads to information loss at each stage, thereby impeding the  
 88 competitiveness of our results on these datasets. Nevertheless, our approach continues to demonstrate  
 89 superior computational efficiency and enhanced processing speed when applied to these datasets.

## 90 C Feature Embedding Distribution

91 We feed the image data through a pretrained ResNet-18 model, subsequently extracting the feature  
 92 embedding prior to the classification layer for the purpose of executing t-SNE [12] dimensionality  
 93 reduction and visualization. Fig. 2a exhibits two distinct feature embedding distributions of synthetic  
 94 Tiny-ImageNet data, sourced from 3 classes in MTT’s and SRe<sup>2</sup>L’s condensed datasets, respectively.  
 95 Relative to the distribution present in MTT, SRe<sup>2</sup>L’s synthetic data from differing classes displays a  
 96 more dispersed pattern, whilst data from identical classes demonstrates a higher degree of clustering.  
 97 This suggests that the data synthesized by SRe<sup>2</sup>L boasts superior discriminability with respect  
 98 to feature embedding distribution and can therefore be utilized to train models to attain superior  
 99 performance. Fig. 2b portrays feature embedding distributions of SRe<sup>2</sup>L’s synthetic ImageNet data  
 100 derived from 8 classes. Our synthetic ImageNet data also exemplifies exceptional clustering and  
 101 discriminability attributes.

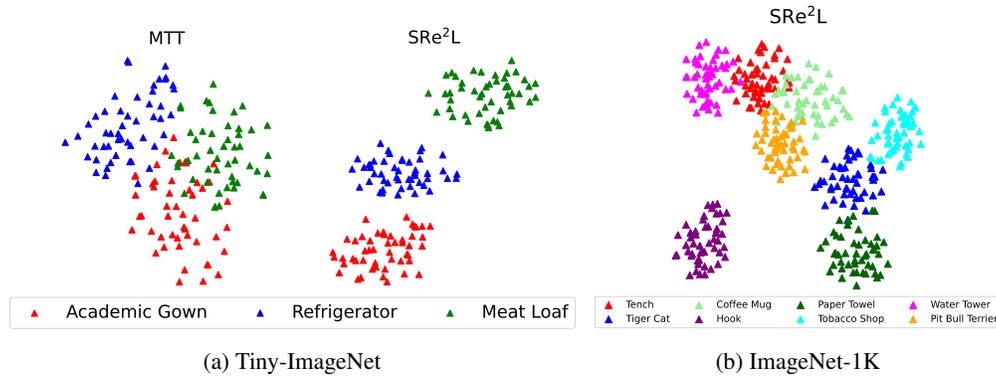


Figure 2: Feature embedding distribution on synthetic data and real ImageNet-1K data. ResNet-18 is used as the feature embedding extractor.

## 102 D More Visualization of Synthetic Data

103 We provide more visualization comparisons on synthetic Tiny-ImageNet between MTT and SRe<sup>2</sup>L in  
 104 Fig. 3. Additionally, we furnish synthetic samples pertaining to ImageNet-1K in Fig. 4 and Fig. 5  
 105 for a more comprehensive understanding. It can be observed that our synthetic data has stronger  
 106 semantic information than MTT with more object textures, shapes and details, which demonstrates  
 107 the superior quality of our synthesized data.

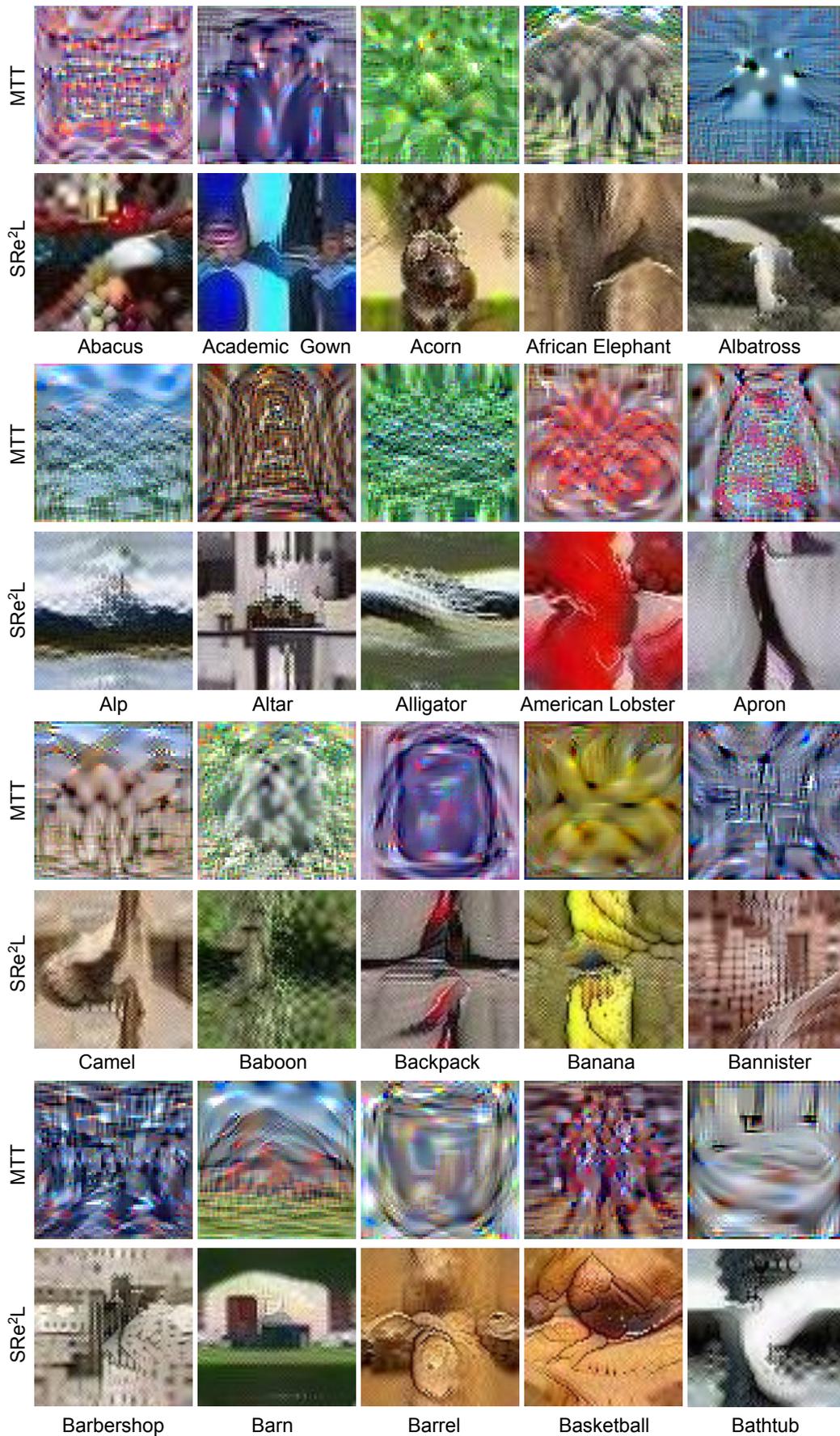


Figure 3: Synthetic Tiny-ImageNet data visualization from SRe<sup>2</sup>L and MTT [3].

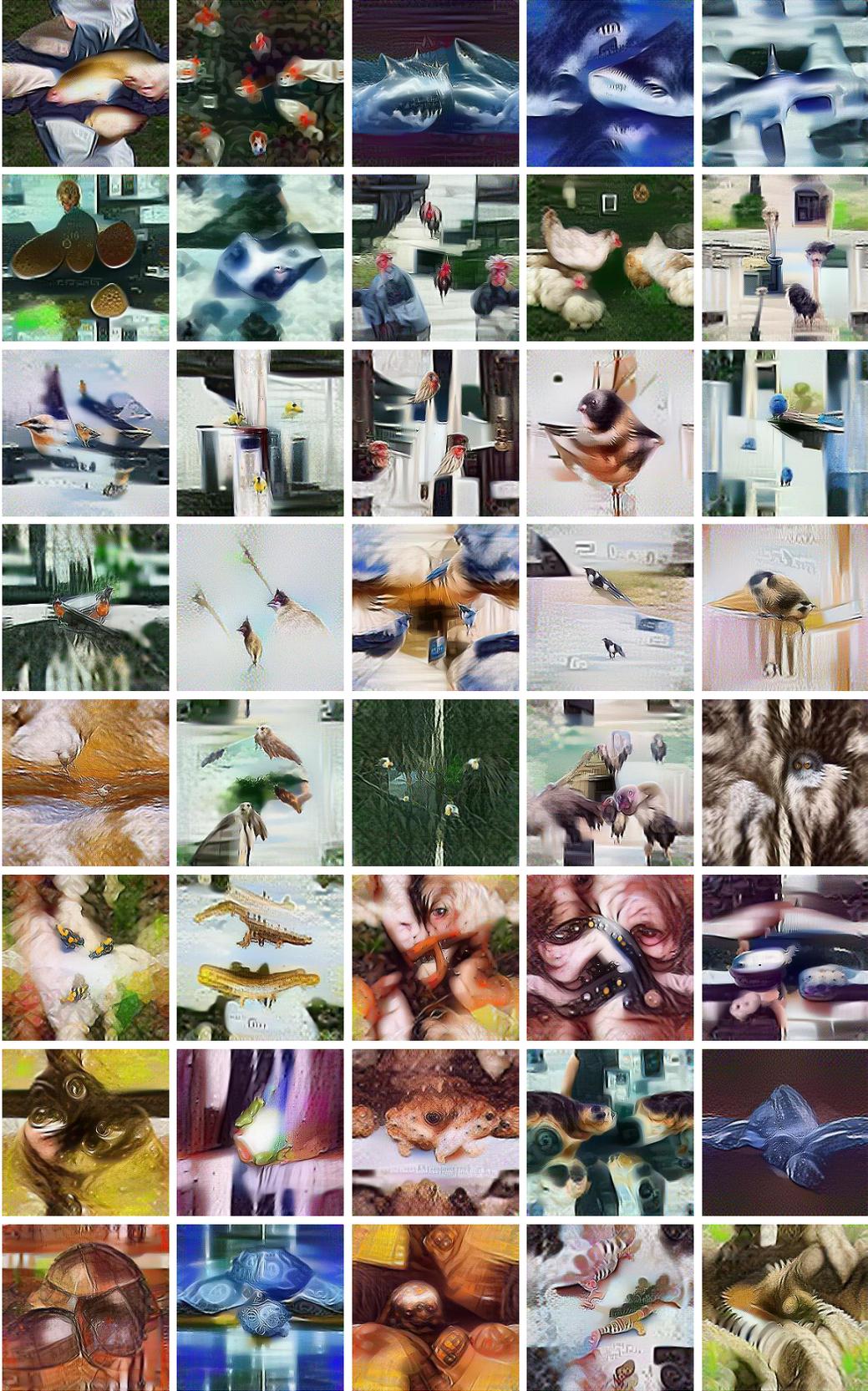


Figure 4: Synthetic ImageNet-1K data visualization from SRe<sup>2</sup>L.

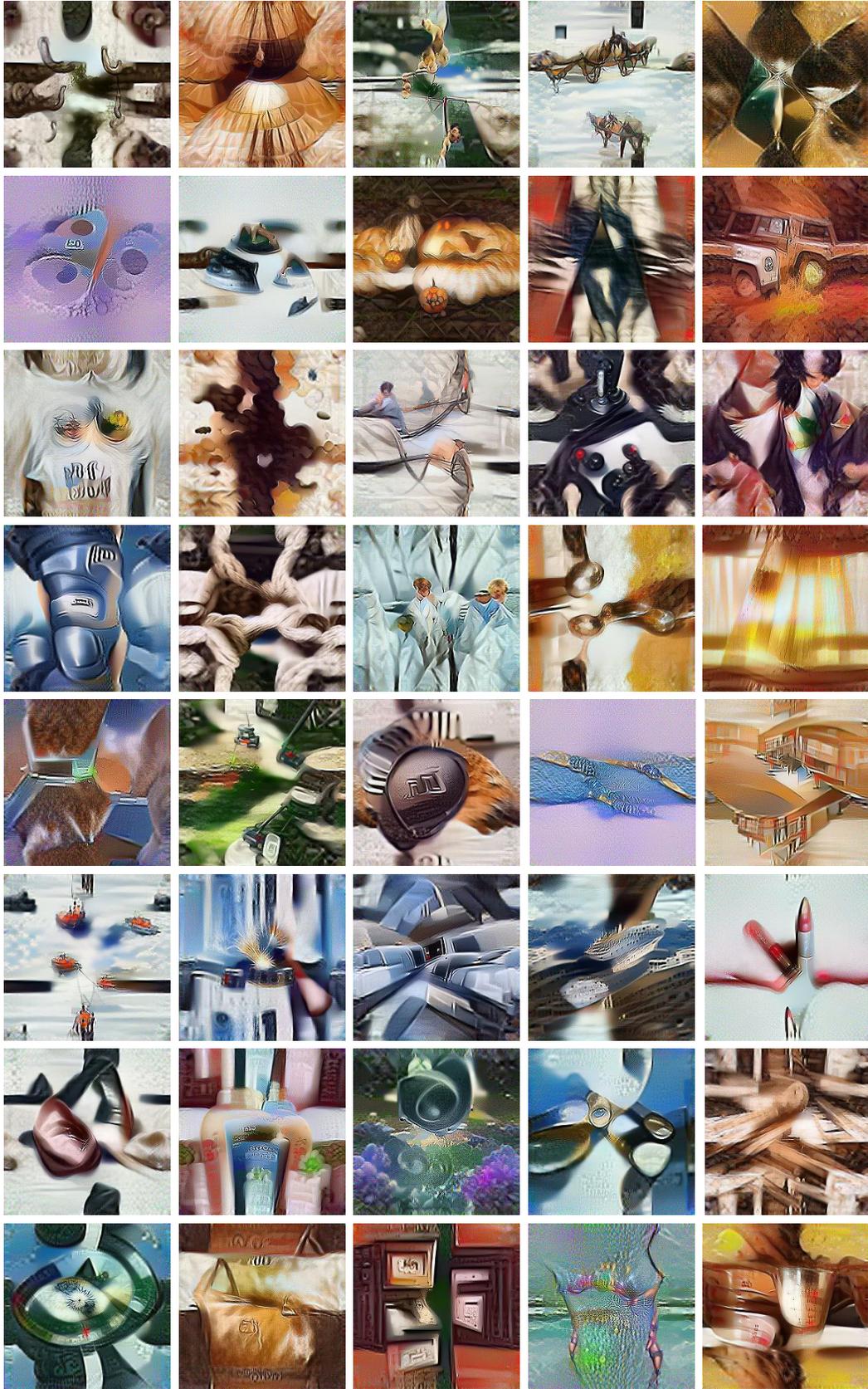


Figure 5: Synthetic ImageNet-1K data visualization from SRe<sup>2</sup>L.

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