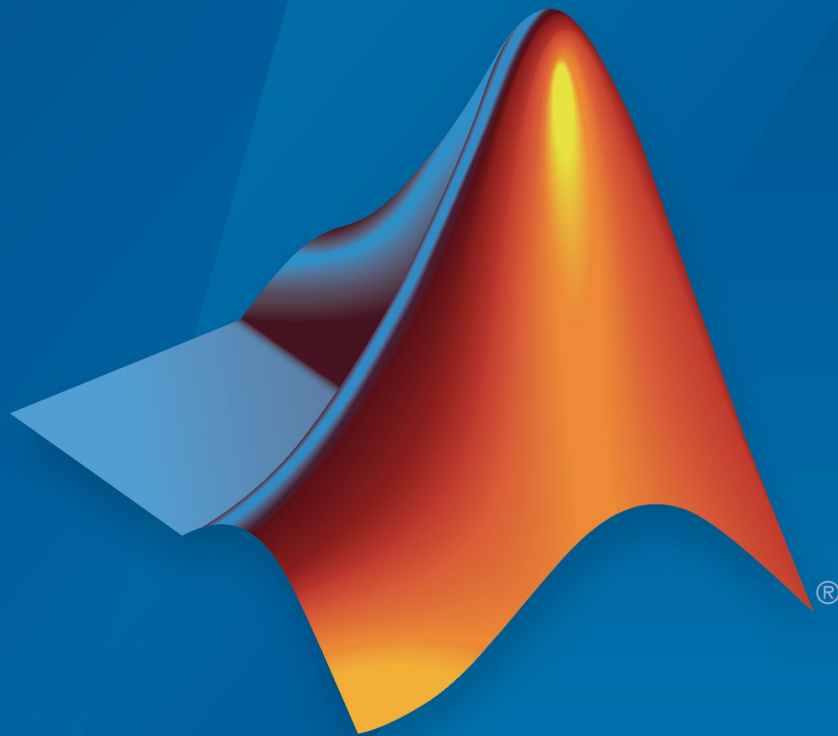


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Functions — Alphabetical List

Color Thresholder

Threshold a color image

Description

The **Color Thresholder** app lets you threshold color images by manipulating the color components of these images, based on different color spaces. Using this app, you can create a segmentation mask for a color image.

Open the Color Thresholder App

- MATLAB® Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Color Thresholder app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `colorThresholder`.

Examples

- “Image Segmentation Using the Color Thresholder App”

Programmatic Use

`colorThresholder` opens the Color Thresholder app, which enables you to create a segmentation mask of a color image based on the exploration of different color spaces.

`colorThresholder(RGB)` opens the Color Thresholder app, loading the image `RGB` into the app.

`colorThresholder close` closes all open instances of the Color Thresholder app.

See Also

Apps

Image Segmenter

Functions

`imcontrast`

Topics

“Image Segmentation Using the Color Thresholder App”

Introduced in R2014a

DICOM Browser

Explore collection of DICOM files

Description

The **DICOM Browser** app lets you explore the contents of collections of DICOM files. The app sorts images by study and series. You can select a series and save it to the MATLAB workspace. The DICOM Browser stores the data as a volume, with separate variables for a colormap and for spatial details.

Open the DICOM Browser App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the DICOM Browser app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `dicomBrowser`.

Examples

Explore by Folder Name

Open the DICOM Browser, displaying DICOM files from the sample image folder.

```
dicomBrowser(fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox/images/imdata'))
```

Explore by DICOMDIR File

Open the DICOM Browser and explore a DICOM folder by using the DICOMDIR file.

```
dicomBrowser(fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox/images/imdata/DICOMDIR'))
```

Programmatic Use

`dicomBrowser` opens the DICOM Browser app for exploring the contents of collections of DICOM files.

`dicomBrowser(DIR)` opens the DICOM Browser app, displaying details about the files in the folder `DIR` and its subfolders. `DIR` can contain a full path name, a relative path name to the file, or the name of a file on the MATLAB search path.

`dicomBrowser(DICOMDIR)` opens the DICOM Browser app and gathers details from the DICOM directory file, named `DICOMDIR`. A DICOM directory file is a special DICOM file that serves as a directory to a collection of DICOM files stored on removable media, such as CD/DVD ROMs. `DICOMDIR` can contain a full path name or a relative path name to the file. The name of this file is `DICOMDIR`, with no file extension.

See Also

Apps

Functions

`dicomanon` | `dicomdict` | `dicomdisp` | `dicominfo` | `dicomlookup` | `dicomuid` | `dicomwrite`

Introduced in R2017b

Image Batch Processor

Apply a function to multiple images

Description

The **Image Batch Processor** app lets you process a folder of images using a function you specify. The function must have the following signature: `out = fcn(in)`. The app creates an output folder containing the processed images, using the same name and subfolder structure as the input folder.

Open the Image Batch Processor App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Image Batch Processor app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `imageBatchProcessor`.

Examples

- “Batch Processing Using the Image Batch Processor App”

Programmatic Use

`imageBatchProcessor` opens the Image Batch Processor app, which enables you to process a folder of images.

`imageBatchProcessor close` closes all open instances of the Image Batch Processor app.

See Also

Functions

`imread` | `imwrite`

Topics

“Batch Processing Using the Image Batch Processor App”

Introduced in R2015a

Image Browser

Browse images using thumbnails

Description

The **Image Browser** app lets you view thumbnails of all the images in a particular folder or image datastore. Once displayed in the app, you can select an image and open it in one of several Image Processing Toolbox apps. You can save images displayed in the app to the MATLAB workspace as an ImageDatastore object.

Open the Image Browser App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Image Browser app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `imageBrowser`.

Programmatic Use

`imageBrowser` opens the Image Browser app.

`imageBrowser(folder)` opens the Image Browser app with all images in the folder, `folder`, loaded.

`imageBrowser(imds)` opens the Image Browser app with all images in the image datastore, `imds`, loaded.

See Also

Apps

Image Batch Processor

Functions

`imageDatastore`

Topics

“View Thumbnails of Images in Folder or Datastore”

“Getting Started with Datastore” (MATLAB)

Introduced in R2016b

Image Segmenter

Segment an image by refining regions

Description

The **Image Segmenter** app lets you segment an image using the active contours (also called snakes) algorithm. Using this app, you first create an initial segmentation that defines seed locations and then segment the image iteratively.

Open the Image Segmenter App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: Open the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Image Segmenter app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `imageSegmenter`.

Examples

- “Image Segmentation Using the Image Segmenter App”

Programmatic Use

`imageSegmenter` opens the Image Segmenter app, which enables you to create a segmentation mask of an image by using active contours.

`imageSegmenter(I)` opens the Image Segmenter app, loading the image `I` into the app.

`imageSegmenter close` closes all open instances of the Image Segmenter app.

See Also

Functions

`activecontour` | `grabcut` | `grayconnected` | `imbinarize` | `imfindcircles` | `lazysnapping`

Topics

“Image Segmentation Using the Image Segmenter App”

Introduced in R2014b

Image Region Analyzer

Browse and filter connected components in an image

Description

The **Image Region Analyzer** app measures a set of properties for each connected component (also called an object or region) in a binary image and displays this information in a table. You can also use this app to create other binary images by filtering the image on region properties.

Open the Image Region Analyzer App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Image Region Analyzer app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `imageRegionAnalyzer`.

Examples

- “Calculate Region Properties Using Image Region Analyzer”
- “Filter Images on Region Properties Using Image Region Analyzer App”

Programmatic Use

`imageRegionAnalyzer` opens the Image Region Analyzer app, which enables you to create other binary images and get information about the regions within binary images.

`imageRegionAnalyzer(I)` opens the Image Region Analyzer app, loading the image `I` into the app.

`imageRegionAnalyzer close` closes all open instances of the Image Region Analyzer app.

See Also

Functions

`bwareafilt` | `bwpropfilt` | `regionprops`

Topics

“Calculate Region Properties Using Image Region Analyzer”

“Filter Images on Region Properties Using Image Region Analyzer App”

Introduced in R2014b

Image Viewer

View and explore images

Description

The **Image Viewer** app provides image display capabilities as well as access to several tools for navigating and exploring images, and performing some common image processing tasks.

Open the Image Viewer App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Image Viewer app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `imtool`.

Examples

- “Explore Images with Image Viewer App”

Programmatic Use

```
imtool
```

See Also

Apps
Video Viewer

Functions
`imshow`

Topics

“Explore Images with Image Viewer App”

Introduced in R2014b

Registration Estimator

Register 2-D grayscale images

Description

The **Registration Estimator** app aligns 2-D grayscale images using automatic image registration. Using this app, you can:

- Compare feature-based, intensity-based, and nonrigid registration techniques interactively
- Obtain the registered image and the geometric transformation

Feature-Based Techniques

Registration Estimator app offers six registration techniques that use feature detection and matching:

- FAST
- MinEigen
- Harris
- BRISK
- SURF
- MSER

Intensity-Based Techniques

Registration Estimator app offers three registration techniques that use intensity metric optimization:

- Monomodal intensity
- Multimodal intensity
- Phase correlation

For more details of the available techniques, see “Techniques Supported by Registration Estimator App”.

Open the Registration Estimator App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Registration Estimator app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `registrationEstimator`.

Examples

- “Register Images Using the Registration Estimator App”

Programmatic Use

`registrationEstimator` opens the Registration Estimator app, which enables you to perform intensity-based, feature-based, and nonrigid image registration.

`registrationEstimator(MOVING, FIXED)` opens the Registration Estimator app, loading the grayscale images `MOVING` and `FIXED` into the app.

`registrationEstimator close` closes all open instances of the Registration Estimator app.

See Also

Functions

`imregconfig` | `imregdemons` | `imregister` | `imregtform` | `imwarp`

Topics

“Register Images Using the Registration Estimator App”
“Techniques Supported by Registration Estimator App”

Introduced in R2017a

Video Viewer

View videos and image sequences

Description

The **Video Viewer** app plays movies, videos, or image sequences. Using Video Viewer you can select the movie or image sequence that you want to play, jump to a specific frame in the sequence, change the frame rate of the display, or perform other viewing activities.

Open the Video Viewer App

- MATLAB Toolstrip: On the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Video Viewer app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `implay`.

Examples

- “View Image Sequences in Video Viewer App”

Programmatic Use

```
implay
```

See Also

Apps
Image Viewer

Functions
`implay`

Topics

“View Image Sequences in Video Viewer App”

Introduced in R2014b

Volume Viewer

View volumetric data and labeled volumetric data

Description

The **Volume Viewer** app lets you view 3-D volumetric data and 3-D labeled volumetric data. Using this app, you can view the data as a volume or as plane slices. You can also view the data as a maximum intensity projection or an isosurface. Using the Rendering Editor component you can manipulate opacity to see the structures in the volume that you want to see and make transparent those structures in the volume that you do not want to see.

Open the Volume Viewer App

- MATLAB toolstrip: Open the **Apps** tab, under **Image Processing and Computer Vision**, click the Volume Viewer app icon.
- MATLAB command prompt: Enter `volumeViewer`.

Examples

Load Labeled Volume into Volume Viewer

- 1 Load a labeled volume into the workspace.

```
load(fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata','BrainMRILabeled','labels','label_001.m'
```

- 2 Open the labeled volume in the Volume Viewer. Use the `'VolumeType'` parameter to identify the volume as a labeled volume.

```
volumeViewer(label,'VolumeType','labels')
```

- “Explore 3-D Volumetric Data with Volume Viewer App”
- “Explore 3-D Labeled Volumetric Data with Volume Viewer App”

Programmatic Use

`volumeViewer` opens a volume visualization app.

`volumeViewer(V)` loads the intensity volume *V* into the app. *V* is a scalar-valued *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* image of class `logical`, `uint8`, `uint16`, `uint32`, `int8`, `int16`, `int32`, `single`, or `double`.

`volumeViewer(V,L)` loads the intensity volume *V* and the labeled volume *L* into the Volume Viewer. *L* is a scalar-valued *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* image of class `categorical`, `uint8`, `uint16`, `uint32`, `int8`, `int16`, `int32`, `single`, or `double`

`volumeViewer(____, 'VolumeType', vtype)` loads the volumetric data into the app, where `'VolumeType'` defines the type of volume being loaded. `vtype` can be either `'Volume'` or `'Labels'`. If the volume is of class `categorical`, the default `VolumeType` is `'Labels'`. For volumes of any other class, the default `VolumeType` is `'Volume'`. If you specify both an intensity volume and a labeled volume, the Volume Viewer ignores this name-value pair

`volumeViewer(____, 'ScaleFactors', sfactors)` loads the volumetric data into the app, where `'ScaleFactors'` specifies the scale factors used to rescale volumes. `'ScaleFactors'` is a 1-by-3 positive numeric array of the form `[x y z]`, where the values are scale factors applied in the *x*, *y*, and *z* directions. The default value is `[1 1 1]`. If `'VolumeType'` is `'Labels'`, the Volume Viewer ignores this name-value pair.

`volumeViewer close` closes all open Volume Viewer apps.

See Also

Functions

`isosurface` | `labelvolshow` | `slice` | `volshow`

Topics

“Explore 3-D Volumetric Data with Volume Viewer App”

“Explore 3-D Labeled Volumetric Data with Volume Viewer App”

Introduced in R2017a

activecontour

Segment image into foreground and background using active contours (snakes)

Syntax

```
bw = activecontour(A,mask)
bw = activecontour(A,mask,n)
bw = activecontour(A,mask,method)
bw = activecontour(A,mask,n,method)
bw = activecontour( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`bw = activecontour(A,mask)` segments the image `A` into foreground (object) and background regions using active contours. Using the active contour algorithm, also called snakes, you specify curves on the image that move to find object boundaries. The `activecontour` function evolves the segmentation using an iterative process and, by default, `activecontour` performs 100 iterations.

The `mask` argument is a binary image that specifies the initial state of the active contour. The boundaries of the object regions (white) in `mask` define the initial contour position used for contour evolution to segment the image. The output image `bw` is a binary image where the foreground is white (logical true) and the background is black (logical false).

To obtain faster and more accurate segmentation results, specify an initial contour position that is close to the desired object boundaries.

`bw = activecontour(A,mask,n)` segments the image by evolving the contour for a maximum of `n` iterations.

`bw = activecontour(A,mask,method)` specifies the active contour method used for segmentation, either 'Chan-Vese' or 'edge'.

`bw = activecontour(A,mask,n,method)` segments the image by evolving the contour for a maximum of `n` iterations using the specified method.

`bw = activecontour(____, Name, Value)` specifies parameters that control various aspects of the segmentation. Parameter names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

Examples

Segment an Image Specifying the Mask

This example shows how to segment an image using the default settings of the `activecontour` function.

Read a grayscale image and display it.

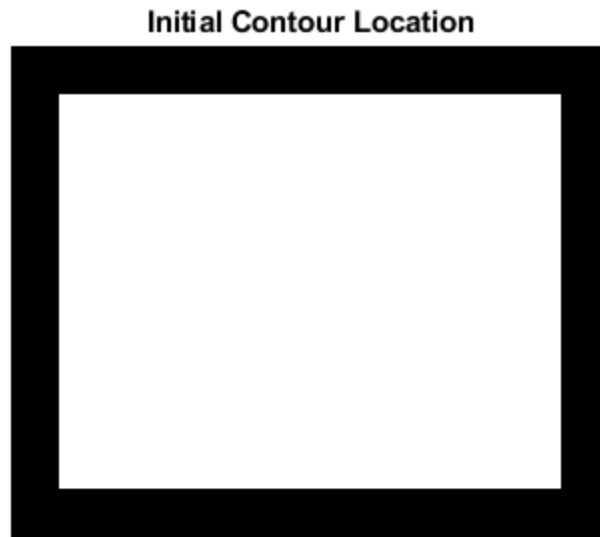
```
I = imread('coins.png');  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Specify the initial contour and display it.

```
mask = zeros(size(I));  
mask(25:end-25,25:end-25) = 1;  
figure  
imshow(mask)  
title('Initial Contour Location')
```

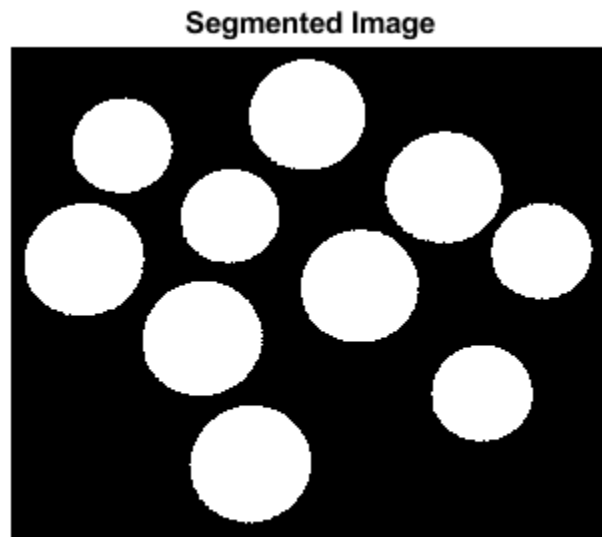


Segment the image using the default method and 300 iterations.

```
bw = activecontour(I,mask,300);
```

Display the result.

```
figure  
imshow(bw)  
title('Segmented Image')
```



Segment Image Overlaying Mask and Contour on Original Image

Read image and display it.

```
I = imread('toyobjects.png');  
imshow(I)  
hold on  
title('Original Image');
```

Original Image



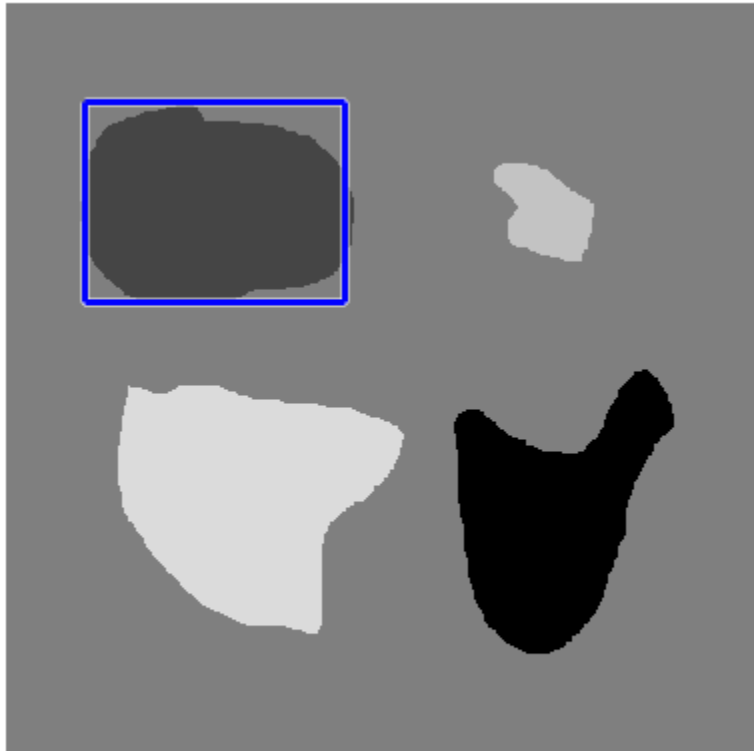
Specify initial contour location close to the object that is to be segmented.

```
mask = false(size(I));  
mask(50:150,40:170) = true;
```

Display the initial contour on the original image in blue.

```
visboundaries(mask, 'Color', 'b');
```


Original Image



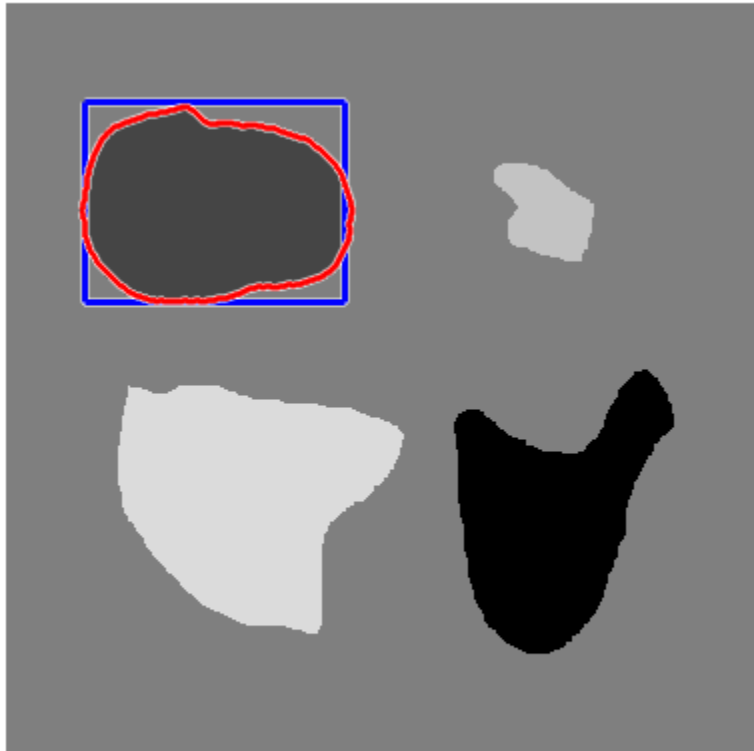
Segment the image using the 'edge' method and 200 iterations.

```
bw = activecontour(I, mask, 200, 'edge');
```

Display the final contour on the original image in red.

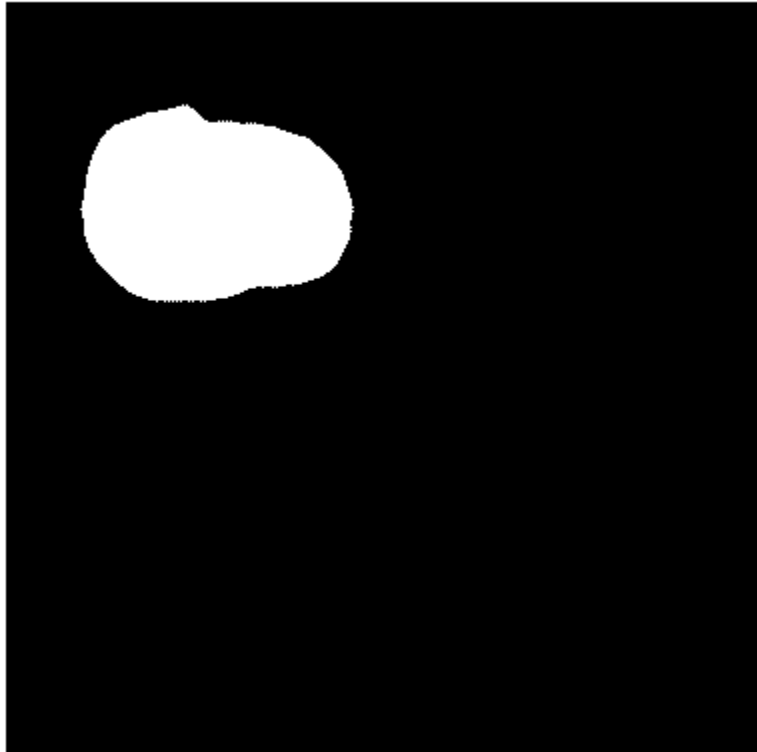
```
visboundaries(bw, 'Color', 'r');  
title('Initial contour (blue) and final contour (red)');
```

Initial contour (blue) and final contour (red)



Display segmented image.

```
figure, imshow(bw)
title('Segmented Image');
```

Segmented Image

Segment an Image Specifying a Polygonal Mask Created Interactively

Read image into the workspace and display it. Display instructions to specify initial contour location.

```
I = imread('toyobjects.png');  
imshow(I)
```

```
str = 'Click to select initial contour location. Double-click to confirm and proceed.'  
title(str,'Color','b','FontSize',12);  
disp(sprintf('\nNote: Click close to object boundaries for more accurate result.'))
```

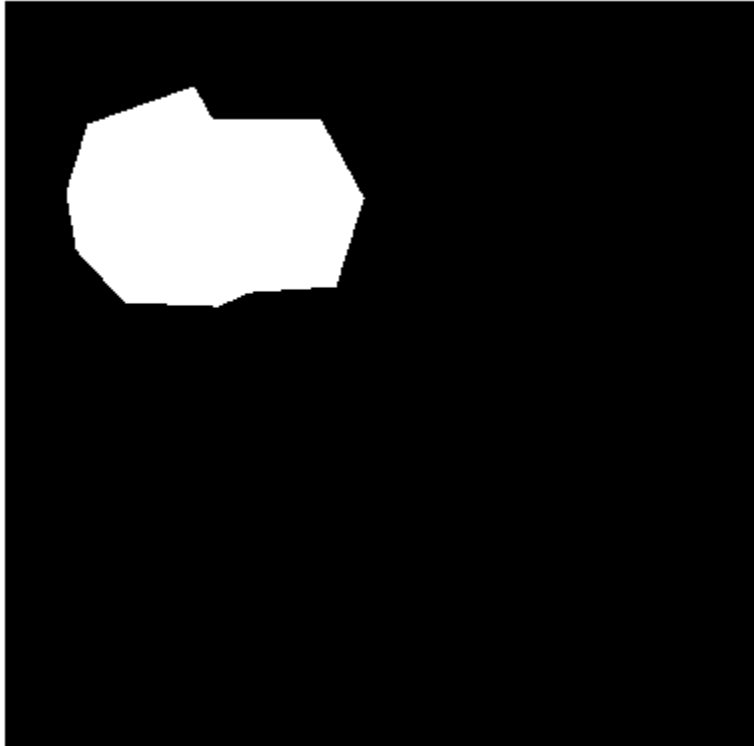
Click to select initial contour location. Double-click to confirm and proceed.



Specify initial contour interactively.

```
mask = roipoly;  
  
figure, imshow(mask)  
title('Initial MASK');
```

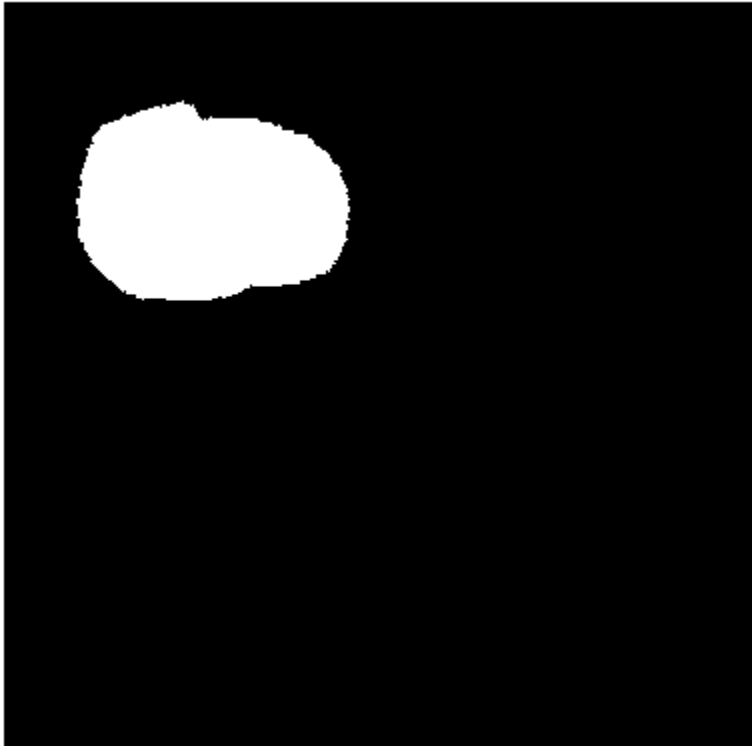
Initial MASK



Segment the image, specifying 200 iterations.

```
maxIterations = 200;  
bw = activecontour(I, mask, maxIterations, 'Chan-Vese');  
  
% Display segmented image  
figure, imshow(bw)  
title('Segmented Image');
```

Segmented Image



Perform 3-D Segmentation Using 2-D Initial Seed Mask

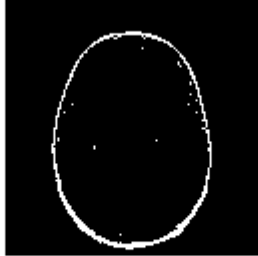
Load 3-D volumetric image data, removing the singleton dimension.

```
D = load('mri.mat');  
A = squeeze(D.D);
```

Create 2-D mask for initial seed points.

```
seedLevel = 10;  
seed = A(:,:,seedLevel) > 75;
```

```
figure  
imshow(seed)
```



Create an empty 3-D seed mask and put the seed points into it.

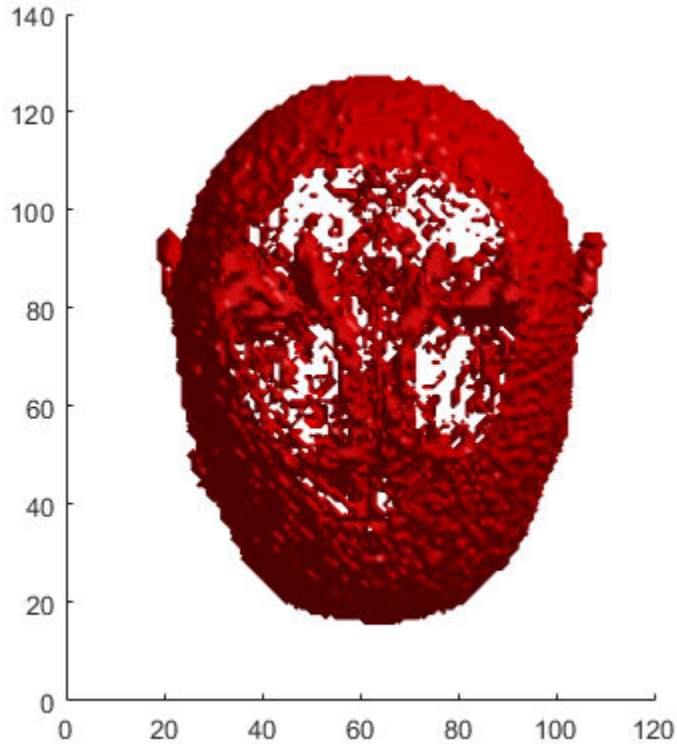
```
mask = zeros(size(A));  
mask(:,:,seedLevel) = seed;
```

Perform the segmentation using active contours, specifying the seed mask.

```
bw = activecontour(A,mask,300);
```

Display the 3-D segmented image.

```
figure;  
p = patch(isosurface(double(bw)));  
p.FaceColor = 'red';  
p.EdgeColor = 'none';  
daspect([1 1 27/128]);  
camlight;  
lighting phong
```



Input Arguments

A — Image to be segmented

nonsparse, 2-D or 3-D, numeric array

Image to segmented, specified as a nonsparse, 2-D or 3-D, numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

mask — Initial contour at which the evolution of the segmentation begins

binary image

Initial contour at which the evolution of the segmentation begins, specified as a binary image the same size as `A`.

For 2-D and 3-D grayscale images, the size of `mask` must match the size of the image `A`. For color and multi-channel images, `mask` must be a 2-D logical array where the first two dimensions match the first two dimensions of the image `A`.

Data Types: `logical`

`n` — Maximum number of iterations to perform in evolution of the segmentation

100 (default) | numeric scalar.

Maximum number of iterations to perform in evolution of the segmentation, specified as a numeric scalar. `activecontour` stops the evolution of the active contour when it reaches the maximum number of iterations. `activecontour` also stops the evolution if the contour position in the current iteration is the same as the contour position in one of the most recent five iterations.

If the initial contour position (specified by `mask`) is far from the object boundaries, specify higher values of `n` to achieve desired segmentation results.

Data Types: `double`

`method` — Active contour method used for segmentation

'Chan-Vese' (default) | 'edge'

Active contour method used for segmentation, specified as 'Chan-Vese' or 'edge'. The Chan and Vese region-based energy model is described in [1] on page 1-37. The edge-based model, similar to Geodesic Active Contour, is described in [2] on page 1-37.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `bw = activecontour(I, mask, 200, 'edge', 'SmoothFactor', 1.5);`

SmoothFactor — Degree of smoothness or regularity of the boundaries of the segmented regions

0, for 'Chan-Vese'; 1 for 'edge' (default) | positive numeric scalar

Degree of smoothness or regularity of the boundaries of the segmented regions, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SmoothFactor' and a positive numeric scalar. Higher values produce smoother region boundaries but can also smooth out finer details. Lower values produce more irregularities (less smoothing) in the region boundaries but allow finer details to be captured. The default smoothness value depends on the method chosen.

Example: `bw = activecontour(I, mask, 200, 'edge', 'SmoothFactor', 1.5);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

ContractionBias — Tendency of the contour to grow outwards or shrink inwards

0, for 'Chan-Vese'; 0.3 for 'edge' (default) | scalar

Tendency of the contour to grow outwards or shrink inwards, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ContractionBias' and a scalar. Positive values bias the contour to shrink inwards (contract). Negative values bias the contour to grow outwards (expand). This parameter does not guarantee that the contour contracts (or expands). It is possible that even with a positive value for this parameter, the contour could actually expand. However, by specifying a bias, you slow the expansion when compared to an unbiased contour. Typical values for this parameter are between -1 and 1.

Example: `bw = activecontour(I, mask, 200, 'edge', 'ContractionBias', 0.4);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

bw — Segmented image

binary image the same size as the input image A.

Segmented image, returned as a binary image the same size as the input image A. The foreground is white (logical true) and the background is black (logical false).

Tips

- `activecontour` uses the boundaries of the regions in `mask` as the initial state of the contour from where the evolution starts. `mask` regions with holes can cause unpredictable results. Use `imfill` to fill any holes in the regions in `mask`.
- If a region touches the image borders, `activecontour` removes a single-pixel layer from the region, before further processing, so that the region does not touch the image border.
- To get faster and more accurate results, specify an initial contour position that is close to the desired object boundaries, especially for the `'edge'` method.
- For the `'edge'` method, the active contour is naturally biased towards shrinking inwards (collapsing). In the absence of any image gradient, the active contour shrinks on its own. Conversely, with the `'Chan-Vese'` method, where the contour is unbiased, the contour is free to either shrink or expand based on the image features.
- To achieve an accurate segmentation with the `'edge'` method, specify an initial contour that lies outside the boundaries of the object. The active contour with the `'edge'` method is biased to shrink, by default.
- If object regions are of significantly different grayscale intensities, the `'Chan-Vese'` method [1] might not segment all objects in the image. For example, if the image contains objects that are brighter than the background and some that are darker, the `'Chan-Vese'` method typically segments out either the dark or the bright objects only.

Algorithms

`activecontour` uses the Sparse-Field level-set method, similar to the method described in [3], for implementing active contour evolution.

References

- [1] T. F. Chan, L. A. Vese, *Active contours without edges*. IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, Volume 10, Issue 2, pp. 266-277, 2001
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- [3] R. T. Whitaker, *A level-set approach to 3d reconstruction from range data*.
International Journal of Computer Vision, Volume 29, Issue 3, pp.203-231, 1998.

See Also

Image Segmenter | `imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `multithresh` | `poly2mask` | `roipoly`

Introduced in R2013a

adapthisteq

Contrast-limited adaptive histogram equalization (CLAHE)

Syntax

```
J = adapthisteq(I)  
J = adapthisteq(I,Name,Value)
```

Description

`J = adapthisteq(I)` enhances the contrast of the grayscale image `I` by transforming the values using contrast-limited adaptive histogram equalization (CLAHE) [1].

`J = adapthisteq(I,Name,Value)` specifies additional name-value pairs. Parameter names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

Examples

Apply Contrast-Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization (CLAHE)

Apply CLAHE to an image and display the results.

```
I = imread('tire.tif');  
J = adapthisteq(I,'clipLimit',0.02,'Distribution','rayleigh');  
imshowpair(I,J,'montage');  
title('Original Image (left) and Contrast Enhanced Image (right)')
```

Original Image (left) and Contrast Enhanced Image (right)



Apply CLAHE to Indexed Color Image

Read the indexed color image into the workspace.

```
[X, MAP] = imread('shadow.tif');
```

Convert the indexed image into a truecolor (RGB) image, then convert the RGB image into the L*a*b* color space.

```
RGB = ind2rgb(X,MAP);  
LAB = rgb2lab(RGB);
```

Scale values to the range expected by the `adapthisteq` function, [0 1].

```
L = LAB(:,:,1)/100;
```

Perform CLAHE on the L channel. Scale the result to get back to the range used by the L*a*b* color space.

```
L = adapthisteq(L, 'NumTiles', [8 8], 'ClipLimit', 0.005);  
LAB(:,:,1) = L*100;
```

Convert the resulting image back into the RGB color space.

```
J = lab2rgb(LAB);
```

Display the original image and the processed image.

```
figure  
imshowpair(RGB,J,'montage')  
title('Original (left) and Contrast Enhanced (right) Image')
```

Original (left) and Contrast Enhanced (right) Image



Shadows in the enhanced image look darker and highlights look brighter. The overall contrast is improved.

Input Arguments

I — Input Image

2-D array

Input intensity image, specified as a numeric 2-D array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `'NumTiles', [8 16]` divides the image into 8 rows and 16 columns of tiles.

NumTiles — Number of tiles

`[8,8]` (default) | 2-element vector of positive integers

Number of rectangular contextual regions (tiles) into which `adaptHisteq` divides the image, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. With the original image divided into `M` rows and `N` columns of tiles, the value of `'NumTiles'` is `[M N]`. Both `M` and `N` must be at least 2. The total number of tiles is equal to `M*N`. The optimal number of tiles depends on the type of the input image, and it is best determined through experimentation.

Data Types: `double`

ClipLimit — Contrast enhancement limit

`0.01` (default) | real scalar

Contrast enhancement limit, specified as a real scalar in the range `[0, 1]`. Higher limits result in more contrast.

`'ClipLimit'` is a contrast factor that prevents oversaturation of the image specifically in homogeneous areas. These areas are characterized by a high peak in the histogram of the particular image tile due to many pixels falling inside the same gray level range. Without the clip limit, the adaptive histogram equalization technique could produce results that, in some cases, are worse than the original image.

Data Types: `double`

NBins — Number of histogram bins used to build a contrast enhancing transformation

`256` (default) | positive integer scalar

Number of histogram bins used to build a contrast enhancing transformation, specified as a positive integer scalar. Higher values result in greater dynamic range at the cost of slower processing speed.

Data Types: double

Range — Range of output data

'full' (default) | 'original'

Range of the output image data, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'full'	Use the full range of the output class (e.g. [0 255] for uint8).
'original'	Limit the range to $[\min(I(:)) \max(I(:))]$.

Data Types: char | string

Distribution — Desired histogram shape

'uniform' (default) | 'rayleigh' | 'exponential'

Desired histogram shape, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'uniform'	Create a flat histogram.
'rayleigh'	Create a bell-shaped histogram.
'exponential'	Create a curved histogram.

'Distribution' specifies the distribution that adapthisteq uses as the basis for creating the contrast transform function. The distribution you select should depend on the type of the input image. For example, underwater imagery appears to look more natural when the Rayleigh distribution is used.

Data Types: char | string

Alpha — Distribution parameter

0.4 (default) | nonnegative real scalar

Distribution parameter, specified as a nonnegative real scalar. 'Alpha' is only used when 'Distribution' is set to 'rayleigh' or 'exponential'.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

J — Output intensity image

2-D array

Output intensity image, returned as a 2-D array of the same class as the input image I.

Algorithms

CLAHE operates on small regions in the image, called *tiles*, rather than the entire image. `adapthisteq` calculates the contrast transform function for each tile individually. Each tile's contrast is enhanced, so that the histogram of the output region approximately matches the histogram specified by the 'Distribution' value. The neighboring tiles are then combined using bilinear interpolation to eliminate artificially induced boundaries. The contrast, especially in homogeneous areas, can be limited to avoid amplifying any noise that might be present in the image.

References

- [1] Zuiderveld, Karel. "Contrast Limited Adaptive Histogram Equalization." *Graphic Gems IV*. San Diego: Academic Press Professional, 1994. 474-485.

See Also

`histeq`

Introduced before R2006a

adapthresh

Adaptive image threshold using local first-order statistics

Syntax

```
T = adapthresh(I)
T = adapthresh(I,sensitivity)
T = adapthresh( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`T = adapthresh(I)` computes a locally adaptive threshold for 2-D grayscale image or 3-D grayscale volume `I`. The `adapthresh` function chooses the threshold based on the local mean intensity (first-order statistics) in the neighborhood of each pixel. The threshold `T` can be used with the `imbinarize` function to convert the grayscale image to a binary image.

`T = adapthresh(I,sensitivity)` computes a locally adaptive threshold with sensitivity factor specified by `sensitivity`. `sensitivity` is a scalar in the range `[0,1]` that indicates sensitivity towards thresholding more pixels as foreground.

`T = adapthresh(____,Name,Value)` computes a locally adaptive threshold using name-value pairs to control aspects of the thresholding.

Examples

Find Threshold and Segment Bright Rice Grains from Dark Background

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Use `adapthresh` to determine threshold to use in binarization operation.

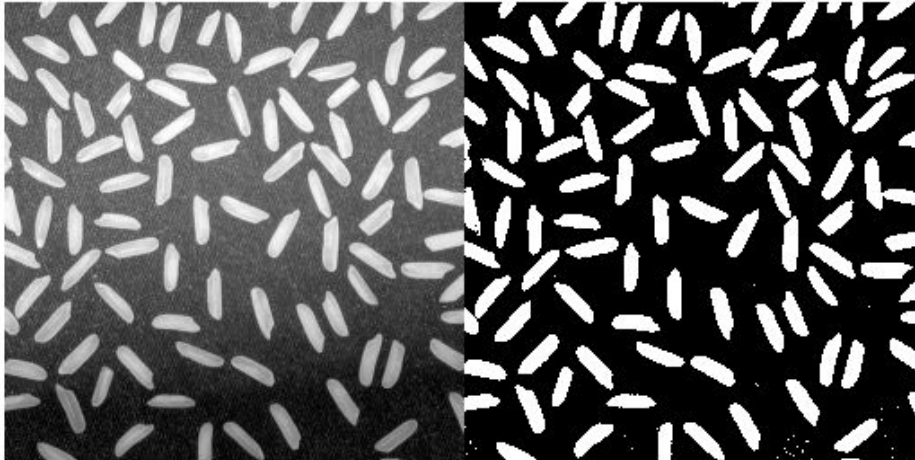
```
T = adapttthresh(I, 0.4);
```

Convert image to binary image, specifying the threshold value.

```
BW = imbinarize(I,T);
```

Display the original image with the binary version, side-by-side.

```
figure  
imshowpair(I, BW, 'montage')
```



Find Threshold and Segment Dark Text from Bright Background

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('printedtext.png');
```

Using `adapttthresh` compute adaptive threshold and display the local threshold image. This represents an estimate of average background illumination.

```
T = adapthresh(I,0.4,'ForegroundPolarity','dark');  
figure  
imshow(T)
```



Binarize image using locally adaptive threshold

```
BW = imbinarize(I,T);  
figure  
imshow(BW)
```

What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?

Filtering is a technique for modifying or enhancing an image. For example, you can filter an image to emphasize certain features or remove other features. Image processing operations implemented with filtering include smoothing, sharpening, and edge enhancement.

Filtering is a neighborhood operation, in which the value of any given pixel in the output image is determined by applying some algorithm to the values of the pixels in the neighborhood of the corresponding input pixel. A pixel's neighborhood is some set of pixels, defined by their locations relative to that pixel. (See Neighborhood or Block Processing: An Overview for a general discussion of neighborhood operations.) Linear filtering is filtering in which the value of an output pixel is a linear combination of the values of the pixels in the input pixel's neighborhood.

Convolution

Linear filtering of an image is accomplished through an operation called convolution. Convolution is a neighborhood operation in which each output pixel is the weighted sum of neighboring input pixels. The matrix of weights is called the convolution kernel, also known as the filter. A convolution kernel is a correlation kernel that has been rotated 180 degrees.

For example, suppose the image is

```
A = [17 24 1 8 15
      23 5 7 14 16
      4 6 13 20 22
      10 12 19 21 3
      11 10 22 1 1]
```

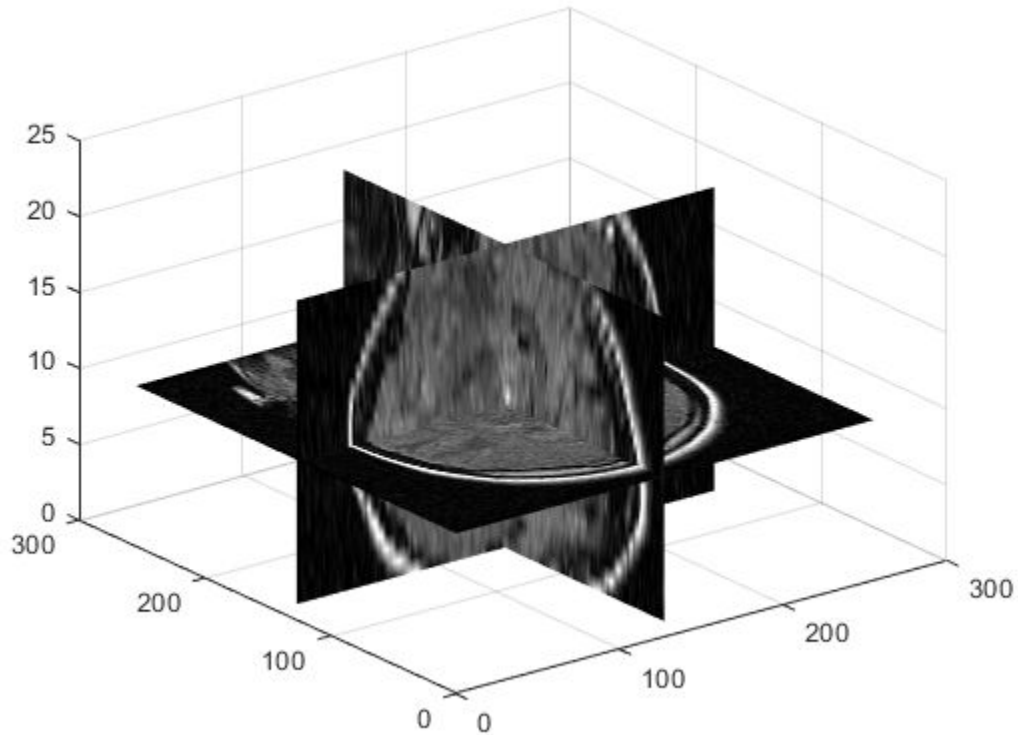
Calculate Threshold for 3-D Volume

Load 3-D volume into the workspace.

```
load mrystack;
V = mrystack;
```

Display the data.

```
figure
slice(double(V), size(V,2)/2, size(V,1)/2, size(V,3)/2)
colormap gray
shading interp
```

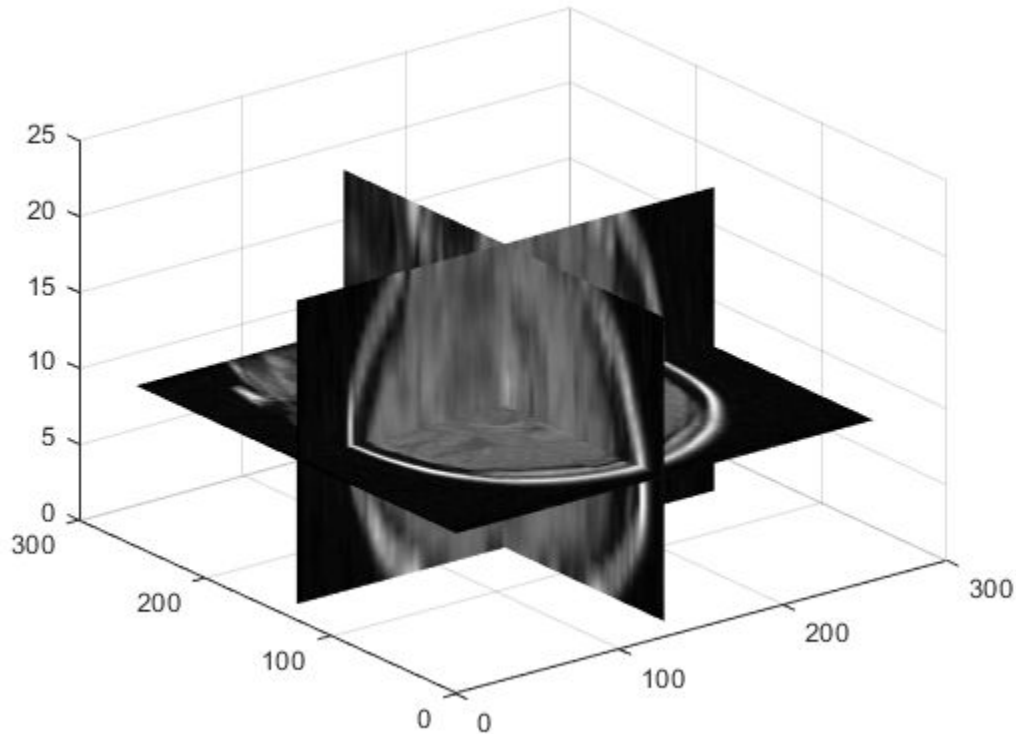


Calculate the threshold.

```
J = adapthresh(V, 'neigh', [3 3 3], 'Fore', 'bright');
```

Display the threshold.

```
figure  
slice(double(J), size(J,2)/2, size(J,1)/2, size(J,3)/2)  
colormap gray  
shading interp
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image or volume

2-D numeric matrix | 3-D numeric array

Grayscale image or volume, specified as a 2-D numeric matrix or 3-D numeric array.

If the image contains `Infs` or `NaNs`, the behavior of `adaptthresh` is undefined. Propagation of `Infs` or `NaNs` might not be localized to the neighborhood around `Inf` or `NaN` pixels.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

sensitivity — Determine which pixels get thresholded as foreground pixels

0.5 (default) | number in the range [0, 1]

Determine which pixels get thresholded as foreground pixels, specified as a number in the range [0, 1]. High sensitivity values lead to thresholding more pixels as foreground, at the risk of including some background pixels.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of Name, Value arguments. Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN.

Example: `T = adapthresh(I,0.4,'ForegroundPolarity','dark');`

NeighborhoodSize — Size of neighborhood used to compute local statistic around each pixel

2*floor(size(I)/16)+1 (default) | positive odd integer | 2-element vector of positive odd integers

Size of neighborhood used to compute local statistic around each pixel, specified as a positive odd integer or a 2-element vector of positive odd integers.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

ForegroundPolarity — Determine which pixels are considered foreground pixels

'bright' (default) | 'dark'

Determine which pixels are considered foreground pixels, specified using one of the following:

Value	Meaning
'bright'	The foreground is brighter than the background.
'dark'	The foreground is darker than the background

Data Types: char | string

Statistic — Statistic used to compute local threshold

'mean' (default) | 'median' | 'gaussian'

Statistic used to compute local threshold at each pixel, specified as one of the following:

Value	Meaning
'mean'	The local mean intensity in the neighborhood. This technique is also called Bradley's method [1].
'median'	The local median in the neighborhood. Computation of this statistic can be slow. Consider using a smaller neighborhood size to obtain faster results.
'gaussian'	The Gaussian weighted mean in the neighborhood.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

T — Normalized intensity values

numeric matrix | numeric array

Normalized intensity values, returned as a numeric matrix or numeric array of the same size as the input image or volume, I. Values are normalized to the range [0, 1].

Data Types: double

References

[1] Bradley, D., G. Roth, "Adapting Thresholding Using the Integral Image," *Journal of Graphics Tools*. Vol. 12, No. 2, 2007, pp.13-21.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `adapthresh` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder™). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `adapthresh` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The `ForegroundPolarity` and `Statistic` arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

`graythresh` | `imbinarize` | `otsuthresh`

Introduced in R2016a

affine2d

2-D affine geometric transformation

Description

An `affine2d` object encapsulates a 2-D affine geometric transformation.

Creation

You can create an `affine2d` object using the following methods:

- `imregtform` — Estimates a geometric transformation that maps a moving image to a fixed image using similarity optimization
- `imregcorr` — Estimates a geometric transformation that maps a moving image to a fixed image using phase correlation
- `fitgeotrans` — Estimates a geometric transformation that maps pairs of control points between two images
- The `affine2d` function described here

Syntax

```
tform = affine2d  
tform = affine2d(A)
```

Description

`tform = affine2d` creates an `affine2d` object with default property settings that correspond to the identity transformation.

`tform = affine2d(A)` sets the property `T` with a valid affine transformation defined by nonsingular matrix `A`.

Properties

T — Forward 2-D affine transformation

nonsingular 3-by-3 numeric matrix

Forward 2-D affine transformation, specified as a nonsingular 3-by-3 numeric matrix.

The matrix T uses the convention:

$$[x \ y \ 1] = [u \ v \ 1] * T$$

where T has the form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b & 0; \\ c & d & 0; \\ e & f & 1; \end{bmatrix}$$

The default of T is the identity transformation.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

Dimensionality — Dimensionality of the geometric transformation

2

Dimensionality of the geometric transformation for both input and output points, specified as the value 2.

Object Functions

<code>invert</code>	Invert geometric transformation
<code>isRigid</code>	Determine if transformation is rigid transformation
<code>isSimilarity</code>	Determine if transformation is similarity transformation
<code>isTranslation</code>	Determine if transformation is pure translation
<code>outputLimits</code>	Find output spatial limits given input spatial limits
<code>transformPointsForward</code>	Apply forward geometric transformation
<code>transformPointsInverse</code>	Apply inverse geometric transformation

Examples

Define 2-D Affine Transformation Object for Rotation

Create an `affine2d` object that defines a 30 degree rotation in the counterclockwise direction around the origin.

```
theta = 30;
tform = affine2d([cosd(theta) sind(theta) 0;...
    -sind(theta) cosd(theta) 0; 0 0 1])

tform =
    affine2d with properties:

    Dimensionality: 2
    T: [3x3 double]
```

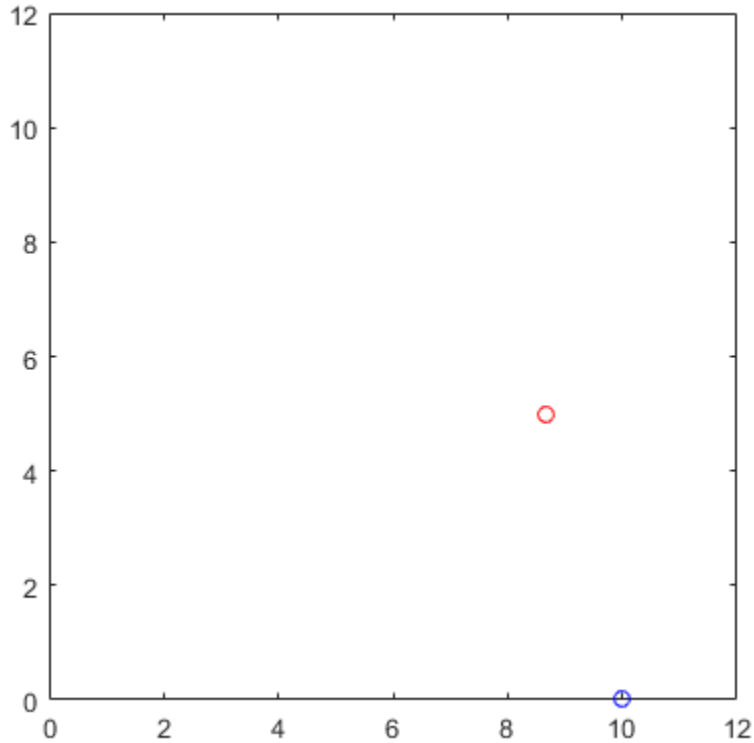
Apply the forward geometric transformation to a point (10,0).

```
[x,y] = transformPointsForward(tform,10,0)

x = 8.6603
y = 5
```

Validate the transformation by plotting the original point (in blue) and the transformed point (in red).

```
figure
plot(10,0, 'bo', x,y, 'ro')
axis([0 12 0 12]); axis square;
```



Transform Image Using 2-D Affine Transformation Object

Read an image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('pout.tif');
```

Create an `affine2d` object that defines an affine geometric transformation. This example combines vertical shear and horizontal stretch.

```
tform = affine2d([2 0.33 0; 0 1 0; 0 0 1])
```

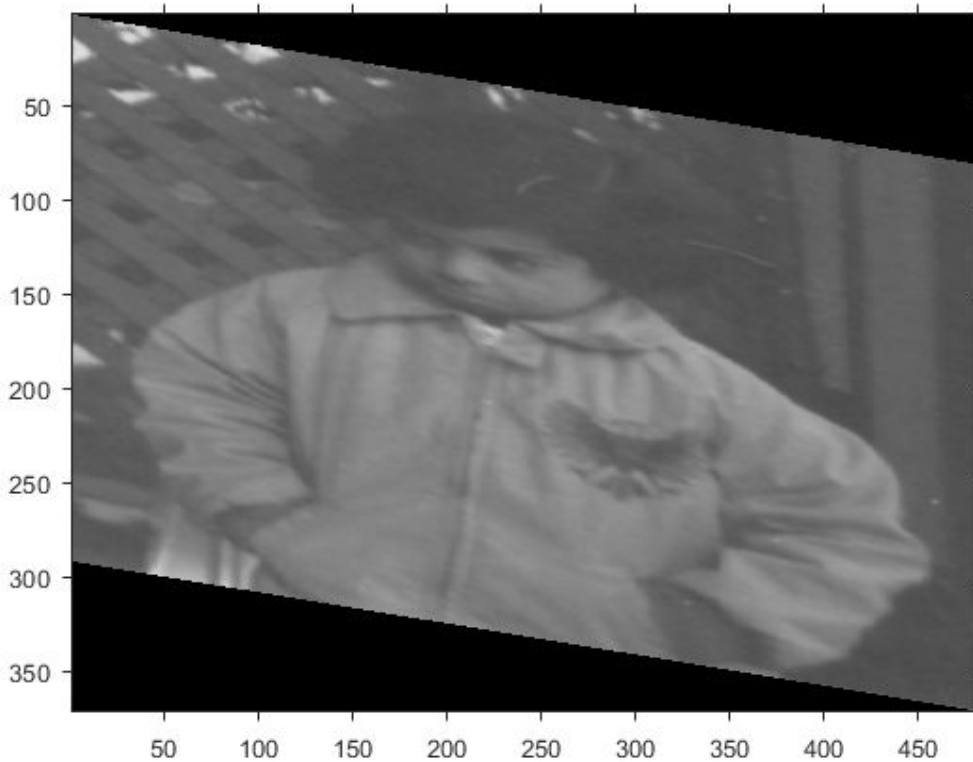
```
tform =  
  affine2d with properties:  
    Dimensionality: 2  
    T: [3x3 double]
```

Apply the geometric transformation to the image using `imwarp`.

```
B = imwarp(A,tform);
```

Display the resulting image.

```
figure  
imshow(B);  
axis on equal;
```

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `affine2d` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, you can only specify singular objects—arrays of objects are not supported.

See Also

Functions

`fitgeotrans` | `imregcorr` | `imregister` | `imregtform` | `imwarp`

Objects

`LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` | `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` | `PolynomialTransformation2D` | `affine3d` | `geometricTransform2d` | `projective2d`

Topics

“2-D and 3-D Geometric Transformation Process Overview”
“Matrix Representation of Geometric Transformations”

Introduced in R2013a

affine3d

3-D affine geometric transformation

Description

An `affine3d` object encapsulates a 3-D affine geometric transformation.

Creation

You can create an `affine3d` object using the following methods:

- `imregtform` — Estimates a geometric transformation that maps a moving image to a fixed image using similarity optimization
- The `affine3d` function described here

Syntax

```
tform = affine3d  
tform = affine3d(A)
```

Description

`tform = affine3d` creates an `affine3d` object with default property settings that correspond to the identity transformation.

`tform = affine3d(A)` sets the property `T` with a valid affine transformation defined by nonsingular matrix `A`.

Properties

T — Forward 3-D affine transformation

nonsingular 4-by-4 numeric matrix

Forward 3-D affine transformation, specified as a nonsingular 4-by-4 numeric matrix.

The matrix T uses the convention:

$$[x \ y \ z \ 1] = [u \ v \ w \ 1] * T$$

where T has the form:

```
[a b c 0;  
 d e f 0;  
 g h i 0;  
 j k l 1];
```

The default of T is the identity transformation.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

Dimensionality — Describes the dimensionality of the geometric transformation

3

Describes the dimensionality of the geometric transformation for both input and output points, specified as the value 3.

Object Functions

<code>invert</code>	Invert geometric transformation
<code>isRigid</code>	Determine if transformation is rigid transformation
<code>isSimilarity</code>	Determine if transformation is similarity transformation
<code>isTranslation</code>	Determine if transformation is pure translation
<code>outputLimits</code>	Find output spatial limits given input spatial limits
<code>transformPointsForward</code>	Apply forward geometric transformation
<code>transformPointsInverse</code>	Apply inverse geometric transformation

Examples

Define 3-D Affine Transformation Object for Anisotropic Scaling

Create an `affine3d` object that scales a 3-D image by a different factor in each dimension.

```
Sx = 1.2;
Sy = 1.6;
Sz = 2.4;
tform = affine3d([Sx 0 0 0; 0 Sy 0 0; 0 0 Sz 0; 0 0 0 1])

tform =
    affine3d with properties:

        Dimensionality: 3
                T: [4x4 double]
```

Load a 3-D volume into the workspace.

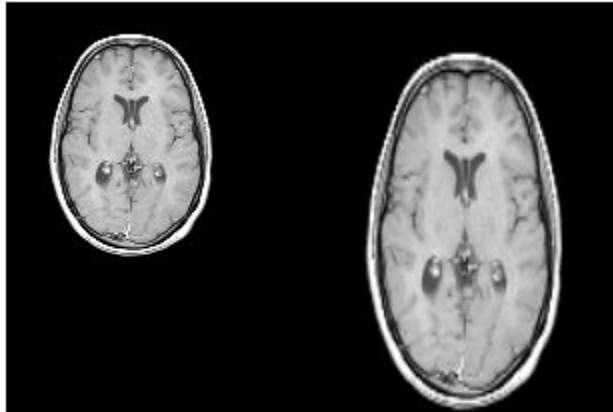
```
load('mri');
D = squeeze(D);
```

Apply the geometric transformation to the image using `imwarp`.

```
B = imwarp(D,tform);
```

Visualize an axial slice through the center of each volume to see the effect of scale translation. Note that the center slice of the transformed volume has a different index than the center slice of the original volume because of the scaling in the z-dimension.

```
figure
imshowpair(D(:,:,14),B(:,:,33),'montage');
```



The original image is on the left, and the transformed image is on the right. The transformed image is scaled more in the vertical direction than in the horizontal direction, as expected since S_y is larger than S_x .

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `affine3d` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, you can only specify singular objects—arrays of objects are not supported.

See Also

Functions

`imregister` | `imregtform` | `imwarp`

Objects

`affine2d` | `geometricTransform3d`

Topics

“2-D and 3-D Geometric Transformation Process Overview”

“Matrix Representation of Geometric Transformations”

Introduced in R2013a

analyze75info

Read metadata from header file of Analyze 7.5 data set

Syntax

```
info = analyze75info(filename)
info = analyze75info( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`info = analyze75info(filename)` reads the header file of the Analyze 7.5 data set specified by `filename`. The function returns `info`, a structure whose fields contain information about the data set. Analyze 7.5 is a 3-D biomedical image visualization and analysis product developed by the Biomedical Imaging Resource of the Mayo Clinic. An Analyze 7.5 data set is made of two files, a header file and an image file. The files have the same name with different file extensions. The header file has the file extension `.hdr` and the image file has the file extension `.img`.

`info = analyze75info(____,Name,Value)` reads the Analyze 7.5 header file using name-value pairs to control different aspects of the operation.

Examples

Get Information about an Analyze 7.5 Data Set

Get information about an Analyze 7.5 data set. An Analyze 7.5 data set is made up of two files: a header file with the file extension `.hdr` and an image file with the file extension `.img`. You don't need to specify a file extension when calling `analyze75info`.

```
info = analyze75info('brainMRI');
```

Get information about an Analyze 7.5 data set, this time specifying the byte ordering of the data set. If you specify the wrong byte order, `analyze75info` attempts to read the file with the other supported byte order.


```
info = analyze75info('brainMRI', 'ByteOrder', 'ieee-le');
```

Input Arguments

filename — Name of Analyze 7.5 data set

character vector | string

Name of Analyze 7.5 data set, specified as a string or character vector. You don't need to specify a file extension.

Example: `info = analyze75info('brainMRI');`

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `info = analyze75info('brainMRI', 'ByteOrder', 'ieee-le');`

ByteOrder — Endianness of the data

character vector | string

Endianness of the data, specified as one of the strings or character vectors in the following table. If the specified value results in a read error, `analyze75info` issues a warning message and attempts to read the header file with the opposite `ByteOrder` format.

Value	Meaning
'ieee-le'	Byte ordering is Little Endian
'ieee-be'	Byte ordering is Big Endian

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

info — Information about Analyze 7.5 data set
structure

Information about Analyze 7.5 data set, returned as a structure.

See Also

`analyze75read`

Introduced before R2006a

analyze75read

Read image data from image file of Analyze 7.5 data set

Syntax

```
X = analyze75read(filename)
X = analyze75read(info)
```

Description

`X = analyze75read(filename)` reads the image data from the image file of an Analyze 7.5 format data set specified by the character vector `filename`. The function returns the image data in `X`.

Analyze 7.5 is a 3-D biomedical image visualization and analysis product developed by the Biomedical Imaging Resource of the Mayo Clinic. An Analyze 7.5 data set is made of two files, a header file and an image file. The files have the same name with different file extensions. The header file has the file extension `.hdr` and the image file has the file extension `.img`.

Note By default, `analyze75read` returns image data in radiological orientation (LAS). For more information, see “Read Image Data from Analyze 7.5 File” on page 1-69.

`X = analyze75read(info)` reads the image data from the image file specified in the metadata structure `info`. `info` must be a valid metadata structure returned by the `analyze75info` function.

Examples

Read Image Data from Analyze 7.5 File

Read image data from an Analyze 7.5 file.

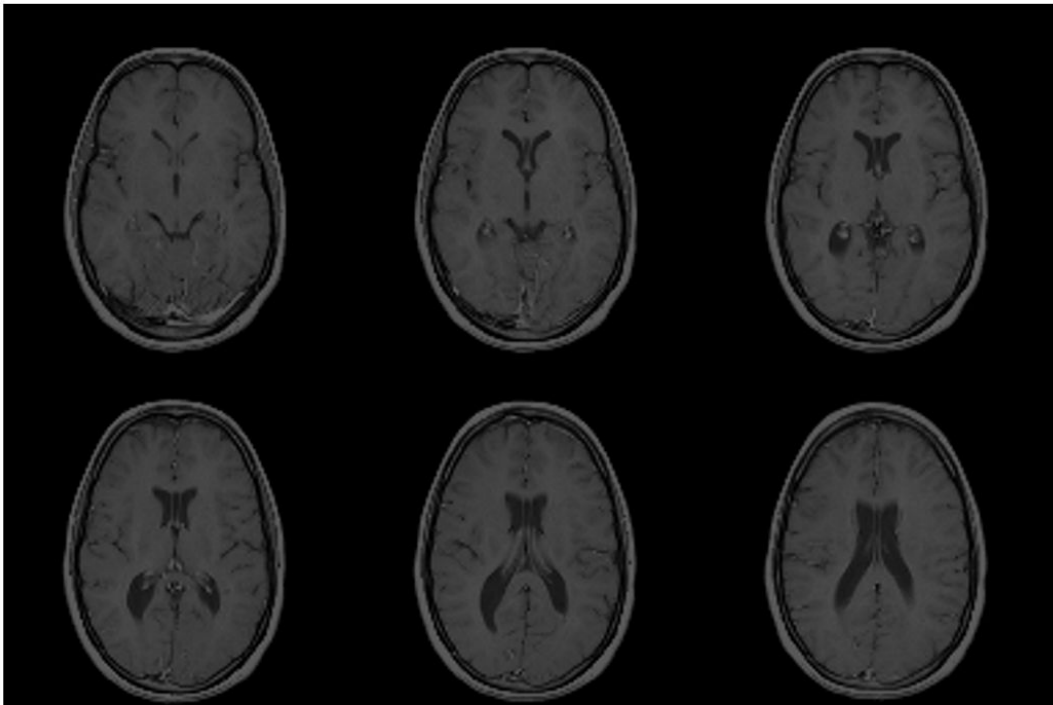
```
X = analyze75read('brainMRI');
```

View the data. First, because Analyze 7.5 format uses radiological orientation (LAS), flip the data for correct image display in MATLAB.

```
X = flip(X);
```

Then, reshape the data to create an array that can be displayed using montage. Select frames 12 to 17.

```
Y = reshape(X(:,:,12:17),[size(X,1) size(X,2) 1 6]);  
montage(Y);
```



Read Image Data Using the Info Structure

Read image data from an Analyze 7.5 data set, using the structure returned by `analyze75info` to specify the data set. First, use `analyze75info` to create the info structure.

```
info = analyze75info('brainMRI');
```

Call `analyze75read` to read image data from the data set, specifying the info structure returned by `analyze75info`.

```
X = analyze75read(info);
```

Input Arguments

filename — Name of Analyze 7.5 data set

character vector

Name of Analyze 7.5 data set, specified as a character vector. You don't need to specify a file extension.

```
Example: info = analyze75info('brainMRI');
```

Data Types: char

info — Information about Analyze 7.5 data set

structure

Information about the Analyze 7.5 data set, specified as a structure returned by the `analyze75info` function.

Data Types: struct

Output Arguments

X — Image data from Analyze 7.5 data set

array

Image data from Analyze 7.5 data set, returned as an array. X can be `logical`, `uint8`, `int16`, `int32`, `single`, or `double`. `analyze75read` uses a data type for X that is

consistent with the data type specified in the data set header file. Complex and RGB data types are not supported. For single-frame, grayscale images, X is an m -by- n array.

See Also

`analyze75info`

Introduced before R2006a

applycform

Apply device-independent color space transformation

Syntax

```
B = applycform(A,C)
```

Description

`B = applycform(A,C)` converts the color values in `A` to the color space specified in the color transformation structure `C`.

Examples

Convert sRGB to L*a*b* Color Space using Applycform

Read color image that uses the sRGB color space into the workspace.

```
rgb = imread('peppers.png');
```

Create a color transformation structure that defines an sRGB to L*a*b* conversion.

```
C = makecform('srgb2lab');
```

Perform the transformation with `applycform`.

```
lab = applycform(rgb,C);
```

Input Arguments

A — Input color space

2-D numeric matrix | 3-D numeric array | string | character vector

Input color space, specified as one of the following:

- 2-D numeric matrix. `applycform` interprets each row as a color unless the color transformation structure, `C`, contains a grayscale ICC profile. In that case, `applycform` interprets each pixel in `A` as a color.
- 3-D numeric matrix. Each row-column location is interpreted as a color. `size(A,3)` is typically 1 or more, depending on the input color space.
- string or character vector. `A` is only a string or character vector if `C` is created with the following syntax:

```
C = makecform('named', profile, space)
```

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `char` | `string`

C — Color transformation

structure

Color transformation, specified as a structure. The color transformation structure specifies various parameters of the transformation. You can create a color transformation structure using `makecform`.

Output Arguments

B — Output color space

numeric array

Output color space, returned as a numeric array. The size of `B` depends on the dimensionality and size of the input color space, `A`:

- When `A` is two-dimensional, `B` has the same number of rows and one or more columns, depending on the output color space. (The ICC specification currently supports up to 15-channel device spaces).
- When `A` is three-dimensional, `B` is the same number of rows and columns as `A`, and `size(B,3)` is 1 or more, depending on the output color space.

See Also

`lab2double` | `lab2uint16` | `lab2uint8` | `makecform` | `whitepoint` | `xyz2double` | `xyz2uint16`

Topics

“Understanding Color Spaces and Color Space Conversion”

Introduced before R2006a

applylut

Neighborhood operations on binary images using lookup tables

Note `applylut` is not recommended. Use `bwlookup` instead.

Syntax

```
A = applylut(BW,lut)
```

Description

`A = applylut(BW,lut)` performs a 2-by-2 or 3-by-3 neighborhood operation on binary image `BW` by using a lookup table, `lut`. The lookup table consists of the output values for all possible 2-by-2 or 3-by-3 neighborhoods.

Examples

Perform Erosion Using a 2-by-2 Neighborhood

Create the LUT.

```
lutfun = @(x)(sum(x(:))==4);  
lut     = makelut(lutfun,2);
```

Read image into the workspace and then apply the LUT to the image. An output pixel is on only if all four of the input pixel's neighborhood pixels are on .

```
BW1     = imread('text.png');  
BW2     = applylut(BW1,lut);
```

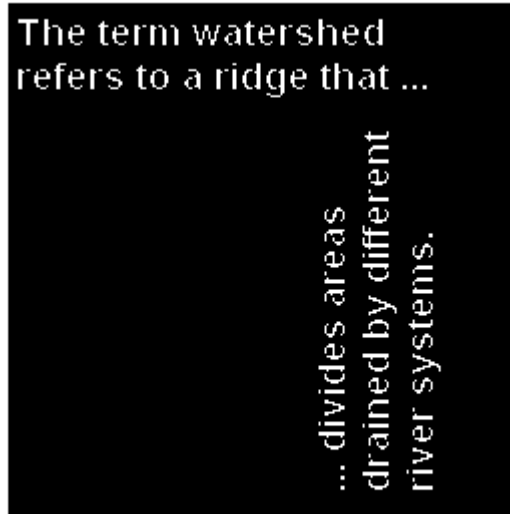
Show the original image and the eroded image.

```
figure, imshow(BW1);
```

**The term watershed
refers to a ridge that ...**

**... divides areas
drained by different
river systems.**

```
figure, imshow(BW2);
```



Input Arguments

BW — Input image

2-D binary image

Input image, specified as a 2-D binary image. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (true).

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

lut — Lookup table of output pixel values

16-element numeric vector | 512-element numeric vector

Lookup table of output pixel values, specified as a 16- or 512-element vector as returned by `makelut`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

A — Output image

binary image | grayscale image

Output image, returned as a grayscale or binary image whose distribution of pixel values are determined by the content of the lookup table, `lut`. The output image `J` is the same size as the input image `I`.

- If all elements of `lut` are 0 or 1, then `A` has data type `logical`.
- If all elements of `lut` are integers between 0 and 255, then `A` has data type `uint8`.
- For all other cases, `A` has data type `double`.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `logical`

Algorithms

`applylut` performs a neighborhood operation on a binary image by producing a matrix of indices into `lut`, and then replacing the indices with the actual values in `lut`. The specific algorithm used depends on whether you use 2-by-2 or 3-by-3 neighborhoods.

2-by-2 Neighborhoods

For 2-by-2 neighborhoods, `length(lut)` is 16. There are four pixels in each neighborhood, and two possible states for each pixel, so the total number of permutations is $2^4 = 16$.

To produce the matrix of indices, `applylut` convolves the binary image `BW` with this matrix.

```
8     2
4     1
```

The resulting convolution contains integer values in the range `[0, 15]`. `applylut` uses the central part of the convolution, of the same size as `BW`, and adds 1 to each value to shift

the range to [1, 16]. The function then constructs `A` by replacing the values in the cells of the index matrix with the values in `lut` that the indices point to.

3-by-3 Neighborhoods

For 3-by-3 neighborhoods, `length(lut)` is 512. There are nine pixels in each neighborhood, and two possible states for each pixel, so the total number of permutations is $2^9 = 512$.

To produce the matrix of indices, `applylut` convolves the binary image `BW` with this matrix.

256	32	4
128	16	2
64	8	1

The resulting convolution contains integer values in the range [0, 511]. `applylut` uses the central part of the convolution, of the same size as `BW`, and adds 1 to each value to shift the range to [1, 512]. It then constructs `A` by replacing the values in the cells of the index matrix with the values in `lut` that the indices point to.

Compatibility Considerations

applylut is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2012b

Starting in R2012b, use `bwlookup` to perform neighborhood operations on binary images using lookup tables. For `bwlookup`, the data type of the returned image is the same as the data type of the lookup table. `bwlookup` supports code generation. There are no plans to remove `applylut` at this time.

To update your code, replace instances of `applylut` with `bwlookup`. You do not need to change the input arguments.

See Also

`makelut`

Introduced before R2006a

axes2pix

Convert axes coordinates to pixel coordinates

Syntax

```
pixelCoord = axes2pix(n,extent,axesCoord)
```

Description

`pixelCoord = axes2pix(n,extent,axesCoord)` converts an axes coordinate into an intrinsic ("pixel") coordinate.

Note The `imref2d` object has several methods that facilitate conversion between intrinsic coordinates, world coordinates and array indices.

Examples

Convert Axes Coordinate into Intrinsic Coordinate

Display image.

```
h = imshow('pout.tif');
```




Get the size of the image.

```
[nrows,ncols] = size(get(h,'CData'));
```

Get the image XData and YData.

```
xdata = get(h,'XData')
```

```
xdata = 1×2
```

```
    1    240
```

```
ydata = get(h,'YData')
```

```
ydata = 1×2
```

1 291

Convert an axes coordinate into an intrinsic coordinate for the x and y dimensions.

```
px = axes2pix(ncols,xdata,30)
```

```
px = 30
```

```
py = axes2pix(nrows,ydata,30)
```

```
py = 30
```

Convert Axes Coordinate to Intrinsic Coordinate with Nondefault XData and YData

Read an image and display it. Get the size of the image.

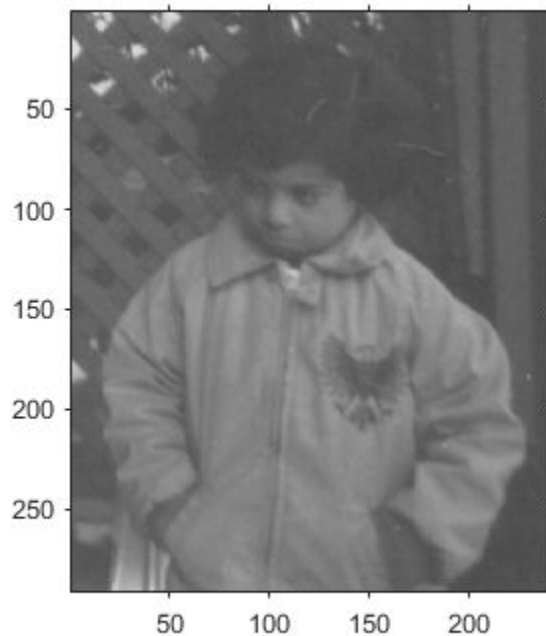
```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
[nrows,ncols] = size(I)
```

```
nrows = 291
```

```
ncols = 240
```

Create a spatial referencing object for this image, with default property settings. By default, the upper-left corner of the image has intrinsic coordinate (1,1).

```
RI = imref2d(size(I));  
h = imshow(I,RI);
```



```
xData = get(h, 'XData')
```

```
xData = 1×2
```

```
1    240
```

```
yData = get(h, 'YData')
```

```
yData = 1×2
```

```
1    291
```

For illustrative purposes, specify an arbitrary image extent in the x - and y -directions. This example shifts the image up by 20 pixels and to the right by 400 pixels. The example also

shifts the image to the right by 100 pixels and compresses the image horizontally by a factor of 2.

```
xWorldLimits = 0.5*xData + 400;  
yWorldLimits = yData - 20;  
RA = imref2d(size(I),xWorldLimits,yWorldLimits);  
imshow(I,RA)
```



Select a pixel, such as a pixel near the nose of the child. This pixel occurs around the axes coordinate $(x, y) = (450, 90)$ in the modified image.

Convert the axes coordinate to an intrinsic coordinate.

```
px = axes2pix(ncols,xWorldLimits,450)  
px = 100  
py = axes2pix(nrows,yWorldLimits,90)
```

```
py = 110
```

The intrinsic coordinate of the point is at (100, 110). This agrees with the location of the nose in the original image.

Input Arguments

n — Number of image rows or columns

positive integer

Number of image rows or columns, specified as a positive integer. `n` is the number of image columns for the `x`-coordinate, or the number of image rows for the `y`-coordinate.

extent — Image world extent

2-element numeric vector

Image world extent, specified as a 2-element numeric vector. `extent` is returned by `get(image_handle, 'XData')` or `get(image_handle, 'YData')`.

axesCoord — Axes coordinates to convert

numeric vector

Axes coordinate to convert to intrinsic coordinates, specified as a numeric vector.

Output Arguments

pixelCoord — Intrinsic coordinates

numeric vector

Intrinsic coordinates, returned as a numeric vector.

Data Types: `double`

Tips

- `axes2pix` performs minimal checking on the validity of the `n`, `axesCoord`, or `extent` arguments. For example, `axes2pix` can extrapolate from `extent` to return a negative coordinate. The function calling `axes2pix` bears responsibility for error checking.

See Also

`bwselect` | `impixel` | `impixelinfo` | `improfile` | `imref2d` | `roipoly`

Topics

“Image Coordinate Systems”

Introduced before R2006a

bestblk

Determine optimal block size for block processing

Syntax

```
siz = bestblk([M N],k)  
[m,n] = bestblk([M N],k)
```

Description

`siz = bestblk([M N],k)` returns the optimal block size for block processing of an M-by-N image. The optimal block size minimizes the padding required along the outer partial blocks. `k` specifies the maximum row and column dimensions for the block.

`[m,n] = bestblk([M N],k)` returns the row and column dimensions for the block in `m` and `n`, respectively.

Examples

Determine Optimal Block Size

```
siz = bestblk([640 800],72)
```

```
siz = 1×2
```

```
    64    50
```

Input Arguments

[M N] — Image size

2-element vector of positive integers

Image size, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. M is the number of rows and N is the number of columns in the image.

Data Types: double

k — Maximum number of block rows or columns

100 (default) | positive integer

Maximum number of block rows or columns, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

siz — Optimal block size

2-element numeric row vector

Optimal block size, returned as a 2-element numeric row vector. `siz` is equivalent to `[m n]`.

m, n — Optimal number of block rows or columns

numeric scalar

Optimal number of block rows or columns, returned as a numeric scalar.

Algorithms

The algorithm for determining the optimal value of m from M and k is:

- If M is less than or equal to k , return M .
- If M is greater than k , consider all values between $\min(M/10, k/2)$ and k . Return the value that minimizes the padding required.

The same algorithm is used to find the optimal value of n from N and k .

See Also

`blockproc`

Introduced before R2006a

bfscore

Contour matching score for image segmentation

Syntax

```
score = bfscore(prediction,groundTruth)
[score,precision,recall] = bfscore(prediction,groundTruth)
[ ___ ] = bfscore(prediction,groundTruth,threshold)
```

Description

`score = bfscore(prediction,groundTruth)` computes the BF (Boundary F1) contour matching score between the predicted segmentation in `prediction` and the true segmentation in `groundTruth`. `prediction` and `groundTruth` can be a pair of logical arrays for binary segmentation, or a pair of label or categorical arrays for multiclass segmentation.

`[score,precision,recall] = bfscore(prediction,groundTruth)` also returns the precision and recall values for the `prediction` image compared to the `groundTruth` image.

`[___] = bfscore(prediction,groundTruth,threshold)` computes the BF score using a specified threshold as the distance error tolerance, to decide whether a boundary point has a match or not.

Examples

Compute BF Score for Binary Segmentation

Read an image with an object to segment. Convert the image to grayscale, and display the result.

```
A = imread('hands1.jpg');
I = rgb2gray(A);
```

```
figure
imshow(I)
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Use the active contours (snakes) method to segment the hand.

```
mask = false(size(I));
mask(25:end-25,25:end-25)= true;
BW = activecontour(I, mask, 300);
```

Read the ground truth segmentation.

```
BW_groundTruth = imread('hands1-mask.png');
```

Compute the BF score of the active contours segmentation against the ground truth.

```
similarity = bfscore(BW, BW_groundTruth);
```

Display the masks on top of each other. Colors indicate differences in the masks.

```
figure
imshowpair(BW, BW_groundTruth)
title(['BF Score = ' num2str(similarity)])
```



Compute BF Score for Multi-Region Segmentation

This example shows how to segment an image into multiple regions. The example then computes the BF score for each region.

Read an image with several regions to segment.

```
RGB = imread('yellowlily.jpg');
```

Create scribbles for three regions that distinguish their typical color characteristics. The first region classifies the yellow flower. The second region classifies the green stem and leaves. The last region classifies the brown dirt in two separate patches of the image. Regions are specified by a 4-element vector, whose elements indicate the x- and y-

coordinate of the upper left corner of the ROI, the width of the ROI, and the height of the ROI.

```
region1 = [350 700 425 120]; % [x y w h] format
BW1 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW1(region1(2):region1(2)+region1(4),region1(1):region1(1)+region1(3)) = true;

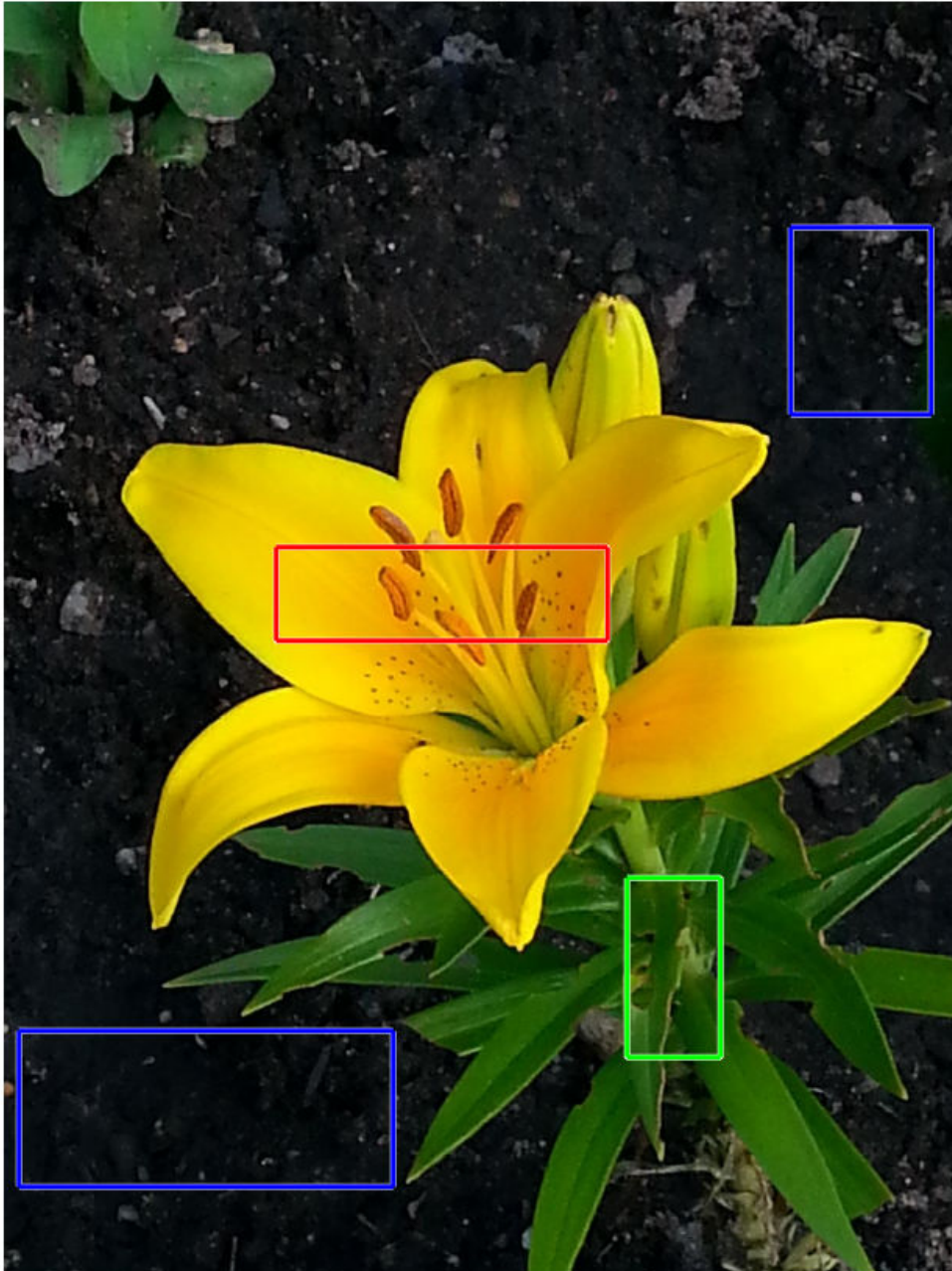
region2 = [800 1124 120 230];
BW2 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW2(region2(2):region2(2)+region2(4),region2(1):region2(1)+region2(3)) = true;

region3 = [20 1320 480 200; 1010 290 180 240];
BW3 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW3(region3(1,2):region3(1,2)+region3(1,4),region3(1,1):region3(1,1)+region3(1,3)) = true;
BW3(region3(2,2):region3(2,2)+region3(2,4),region3(2,1):region3(2,1)+region3(2,3)) = true;
```

Display the seed regions on top of the image.

```
figure
imshow(IMG)
hold on
visboundaries(BW1,'Color','r');
visboundaries(BW2,'Color','g');
visboundaries(BW3,'Color','b');
title('Seed regions')
```

Seed regions



Segment the image into three regions using geodesic distance-based color segmentation.

```
L = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2,BW3,'AdaptiveChannelWeighting',true);
```

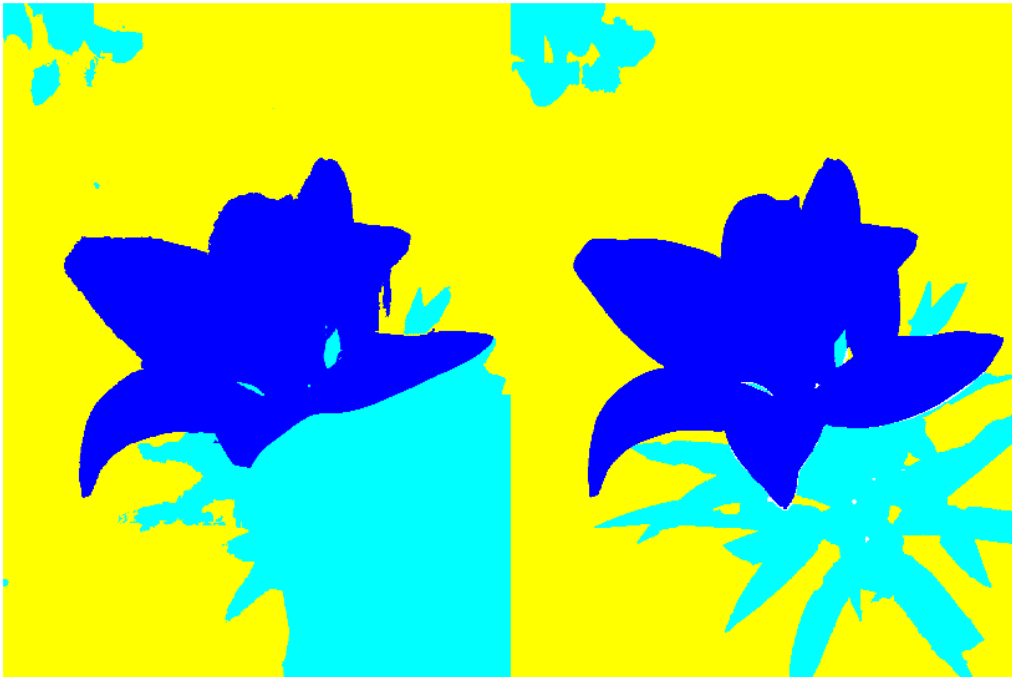
Load a ground truth segmentation of the image.

```
L_groundTruth = double(imread('yellowlily-segmented.png'));
```

Visually compare the segmentation results with the ground truth.

```
figure  
imshowpair(label2rgb(L),label2rgb(L_groundTruth),'montage')  
title('Comparison of Segmentation Results (Left) and Ground Truth (Right)')
```

Comparison of Segmentation Results (Left) and Ground Truth (Right)



Compute the BF score for each segmented region.

```
similarity = bfscore(L, L_groundTruth)
```

```
similarity = 3x1
    0.7992
    0.5333
    0.7466
```

The BF score is noticeably smaller for the second region. This result is consistent with the visual comparison of the segmentation results, which erroneously classifies the dirt in the lower right corner of the image as leaves.

Input Arguments

prediction — Predicted segmentation

2-D or 3-D logical, numeric, or categorical array

Predicted segmentation, specified as a 2-D or 3-D logical, numeric, or categorical array. If **prediction** is a numeric array, then it represents a label array and must contain nonnegative integers of data type `double`.

Data Types: `logical` | `double` | `categorical`

groundTruth — Ground truth segmentation

2-D or 3-D logical, numeric, or categorical array

Ground truth segmentation, specified as a 2-D or 3-D logical, numeric, or categorical array of the same size and data type as **prediction**. If **groundTruth** is a numeric array, then it represents a label array and must contain nonnegative integers of data type `double`.

Data Types: `logical` | `double` | `categorical`

threshold — Distance error tolerance threshold

positive scalar

Distance error tolerance threshold in pixels, specified as a positive scalar. The threshold determines whether a boundary point has a match or not. If **threshold** is not specified, then the default value is 0.75% of the length of the image diagonal.

Example: 3

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

score — BF score

numeric scalar | numeric vector

BF score, returned as a numeric scalar or vector with values in the range [0, 1]. A score of 1 means that the contours of objects in the corresponding class in `prediction` and `groundTruth` are a perfect match. If the input arrays are:

- logical arrays, `score` is a scalar and represents the BF score of the foreground.
- label or categorical arrays, `score` is a vector. The first coefficient in `score` is the BF score for the first foreground class, the second coefficient is the score for the second foreground class, and so on.

precision — Precision

numeric scalar | numeric vector

Precision, returned as a numeric scalar or numeric vector with values in the range [0, 1]. Each element indicates the precision of object contours in the corresponding foreground class.

Precision is the ratio of the number of points on the boundary of the predicted segmentation that are close enough to the boundary of the ground truth segmentation to the length of the predicted boundary. In other words, precision is the fraction of detections that are true positives rather than false positives.

recall — Recall

numeric scalar | numeric vector

Recall, returned as a numeric scalar or numeric vector with values in the range [0, 1]. Each element indicates the recall of object contours in the corresponding foreground class.

Recall is the ratio of the number of points on the boundary of the ground truth segmentation that are close enough to the boundary of the predicted segmentation to the length of the ground truth boundary. In other words, recall is the fraction of true positives that are detected rather than missed.

Definitions

BF (Boundary F1) Score

The BF score measures how close the predicted boundary of an object matches the ground truth boundary.

The BF score is defined as the harmonic mean (F1-measure) of the `precision` and `recall` values with a distance error tolerance to decide whether a point on the predicted boundary has a match on the ground truth boundary or not.

$$\text{score} = 2 * \text{precision} * \text{recall} / (\text{recall} + \text{precision})$$

References

- [1] Csurka, G., D. Larlus, and F. Perronnin. "What is a good evaluation measure for semantic segmentation?" *Proceedings of the British Machine Vision Conference*, 2013, pp. 32.1-32.11.

See Also

`dice` | `jaccard`

Introduced in R2017b

blendexposure

Create well-exposed image from images with different exposures

Syntax

```
J = blendexposure(I1,I2,...,In)
J = blendexposure(I1,I2,...,In,Name,Value)
```

Description

`J = blendexposure(I1,I2,...,In)` blends grayscale or RGB images that have different exposures. `blendexposure` blends the images based on their contrast, saturation, and well-exposedness, and returns the well-exposed image, `J`.

`J = blendexposure(I1,I2,...,In,Name,Value)` blends images that have different exposures, using name-value pairs to adjust how each input image contributes to the blended image.

Examples

Blend Images with Strong Light Sources

Read a series of images with different exposures that were captured from a fixed camera with no moving objects in the scene.

```
I1 = imread('car_1.jpg');
I2 = imread('car_2.jpg');
I3 = imread('car_3.jpg');
I4 = imread('car_4.jpg');
```

Display the images. In the underexposed images, only bright regions like headlights have informative details. Conversely, the headlights are saturated in the overexposed images, and the best contrast comes from darker regions such as the brick floor and the roof.

```
montage({I1,I2,I3,I4})
```



Blend the images using exposure fusion. By default, the `blendexposure` function attempts to suppress highlights from strong light sources. For comparison, also blend the images without suppressing the highlights. Display the two results.

```
E = blendexposure(I1,I2,I3,I4);  
F = blendexposure(I1,I2,I3,I4,'ReduceStrongLight',false);  
montage({E,F})  
title('Exposure Fusion With (Left) and Without (Right) Strong Light Suppression')
```

Exposure Fusion With (Left) and Without (Right) Strong Light Suppression



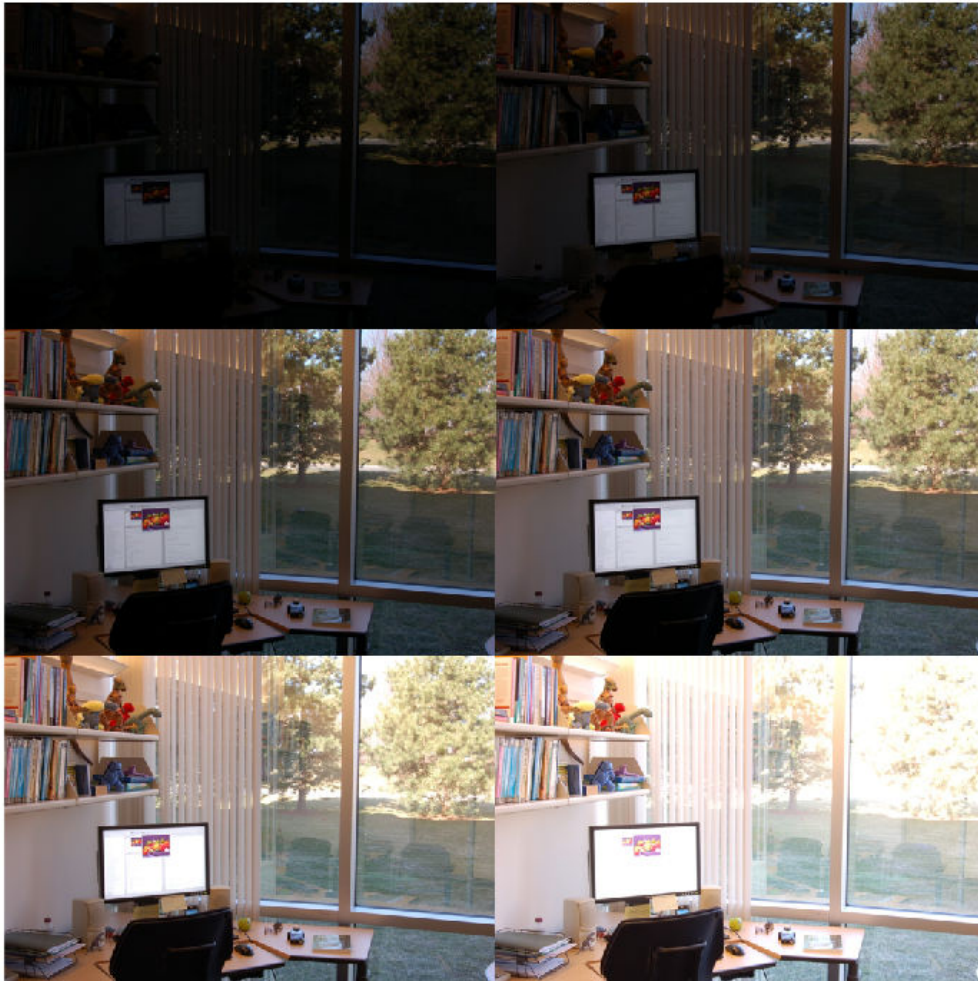
In the fused images, bright regions and dark regions retain informative details. With strong light suppression, the shape of the headlights is identifiable, and saturated pixels do not extend past the boundary of the headlights. Without strong light perception, the shape of the headlights is not identifiable, and there are saturated pixels in the reflection of the headlights on the ground and on some parts of the other cars.

Blend Images of Stationary Scene Using Exposure Fusion

Read a series of images with different exposures. The images were captured from a fixed camera, and there are no moving objects in the scene.

```
I1 = imread('office_1.jpg');  
I2 = imread('office_2.jpg');  
I3 = imread('office_3.jpg');  
I4 = imread('office_4.jpg');  
I5 = imread('office_5.jpg');  
I6 = imread('office_6.jpg');  
montage({I1,I2,I3,I4,I5,I6})  
title('Images with Different Exposures')
```

Images with Different Exposures



Blend the registered images using exposure fusion, optionally varying the weight of contrast, saturation and well-exposedness in the fusion, and without reducing strong light sources. Display the result.

```
E = blendexposure(I1,I2,I3,I4,I5,I6,'contrast',0.8,...  
    'saturation',0.8,'wellexposedness',0.8,'reduceStrongLight',false);  
imshow(E)  
title('Blended Image Using Exposure Fusion')
```

Blended Image Using Exposure Fusion



Input Arguments

I1, I2, . . . , In — Grayscale or RGB images

m-by-*n* numeric matrices | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric arrays

Grayscale or RGB images, specified as a series of *m*-by-*n* numeric matrices or *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric arrays. All images must have the same size and data type.

Data Types: single | double | uint8 | uint16

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `blendexposure(I1,I2,I3,'Contrast',0.5,'Saturation',0.9)`

Contrast — Relative weight given to contrast

1 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]

Relative weight given to contrast during blending, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Contrast'` and a numeric scalar in the range [0, 1].

Saturation — Relative weight given to saturation

1 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]

Relative weight given to saturation during blending, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Saturation'` and a numeric scalar in the range [0, 1].

Wellexposedness — Relative weight given to exposure quality

1 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]

Relative weight given to exposure quality during blending, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Wellexposedness'` and a numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]. The exposure quality of each image is based on the divergence of the pixel intensities from a model of pixels with good exposure.

ReduceStrongLight — Reduce strong light

true (default) | false

Reduce strong light, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ReduceStrongLight'` and true or false. If `'ReduceStrongLight'` is true, then `blendexposure` attempts to suppress highlights from strong light sources in the images.

Note If the input images do not have strong light sources and you specify `ReduceStrongLight` as true, then the output image `J` has less contrast.

Output Arguments

J — Fused image

numeric matrix or array

Fused image, returned as a numeric matrix or array of the same size and data type as the input images I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n .

Tips

- To blend images of moving scenes or with camera jitter, first register the images by using the `imregmtb` function. `imregmtb` considers only translations, not rotations or other types of geometric transformations, when registering the images.

Algorithms

The `blendexposure` function computes the weight of each quality measure as follows:

- Contrast weights are computed using Laplacian filtering.
- Saturation weights are computed from the standard deviation of each image.
- Well-exposedness is determined by comparing parts of the image to a Gaussian distribution with a mean of 0.5 and a standard deviation of 0.2.
- Strong light reduction weights are computed as a mixture of the other three weights, multiplied by a Gaussian distribution with a fixed mean and variance.

The weights are decomposed using Gaussian pyramids for seamless blending with a Laplacian pyramid of the corresponding image, which helps preserve scene details.

References

- [1] Mertens, T., J. Kautz, and F. V. Reeth. "Exposure Fusion." *Pacific Graphics 2007: Proceedings of the Pacific Conference on Computer Graphics and Applications*. Maui, HI, 2007, pp. 382–390.

See Also

`imregmtb` | `makehdr` | `tonemap`

Introduced in R2018a

blockproc

Distinct block processing for image

Syntax

```
B = blockproc(A,[m n],fun)
B = blockproc(src_filename,[m n],fun)
B = blockproc(adapter,[m n],fun)
blockproc( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = blockproc(A,[m n],fun)` processes the image `A` by applying the function `fun` to each distinct block of size `[m n]` and concatenating the results into the output matrix, `B`.

`B = blockproc(src_filename,[m n],fun)` processes the image with file name `src_filename`, reading and processing one block at a time. This syntax is useful for processing large images.

`B = blockproc(adapter,[m n],fun)` processes the source image specified by `adapter`, an `ImageAdapter` object.

`blockproc(____,Name,Value)` processes the input image, specifying arguments and corresponding values that control various aspects of the block behavior. Argument names are case insensitive.

Examples

Create Thumbnail of Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('pears.png');
```

Create block processing function.

```
fun = @(block_struct) imresize(block_struct.data,0.15);
```

Process the image, block-by-block.

```
I2 = blockproc(I,[100 100],fun);
```

Display the original image and the processed image.

```
figure;  
imshow(I);
```



```
figure;  
imshow(I2);
```



Set Pixels in 32-by-32 blocks to Standard Deviation

Create block processing function.

```
fun = @(block_struct) ...  
    std2(block_struct.data) * ones(size(block_struct.data));
```

Perform the block processing operation, specifying the input image by filename.

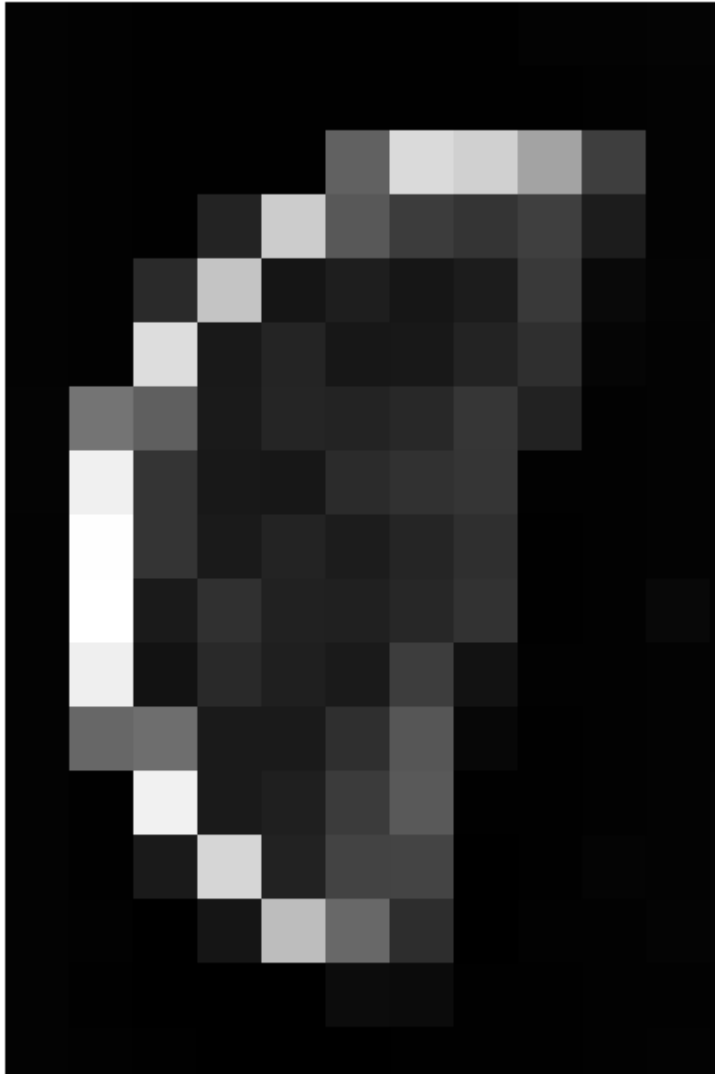
```
I2 = blockproc('moon.tif', [32 32], fun);
```

Display the original image and the processed version.

```
figure;  
imshow('moon.tif');
```



```
figure;  
imshow(I2, []);
```



Switch Red and Green Bands of RGB Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('peppers.png');
```

Create block processing function.

```
fun = @(block_struct) block_struct.data(:,:, [2 1 3]);
```

Perform the block processing operation.

```
blockproc(I, [200 200], fun, 'Destination', 'grb_peppers.tif');
```

Display original image and the processed image.

```
figure;  
imshow('peppers.png');
```



```
figure;  
imshow('grb_peppers.tif');
```



Convert Large TIFF Image into JPEG2000 Image

Note: To run this example, you must replace 'largeImage.tif' with the name of your file.

Create block processing function.

```
fun = @(block_struct) block_struct.data;
```

Convert a TIFF image into a new JPEG2000 image. Replace 'largeImage.tif' with the name of an actual image file.

```
blockproc('largeImage.tif',[1024 1024],fun,'Destination','New.jp2');
```

Input Arguments

A — Input image

numeric matrix

Input image, specified as a numeric matrix.

src_filename — Source file name

character vector

Source file name, specified as a character vector. Files must have one of these file types and must be named with one of the listed file extensions.

- TIFF (*.tif, *.tiff)
- JPEG2000 (*.jp2, *.jpf, *.jpx, *.j2c, *.j2k)

Data Types: char

adapter — Image adapter

ImageAdapter object

Image adapter, specified as an ImageAdapter object. An ImageAdapter is a user-defined class that provides blockproc with a common API for reading and writing to a particular image file format. For more information, see “Perform Block Processing on Image Files in Unsupported Formats”.

[m n] — Block size

2-element vector

Block size, specified as a 2-element vector. *m* is the number of rows and *n* is the number of columns in the block.

fun — Function handle

handle

Function handle, specified as a handle. The function must accept a *block_struct* on page 1-121 as input and return a matrix, vector, or scalar. If *fun* returns empty, then blockproc does not generate any output and returns empty after processing all blocks.

For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `'BorderSize', [8 4]`

Destination — Destination

character vector | `ImageAdapter` object

Destination for the output, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Destination'` and one of the following.

- A character vector with a destination filename. Files must have one of these file types and must be named with one of the listed file extensions.
 - TIFF (*.tif, *.tiff)
 - JPEG2000 (*.jp2, *.j2c, *.j2k)

If a file with this name exists, it is overwritten.

- An `ImageAdapter` object, which provides a common API for reading and writing to a particular image file format. For more information, see “Perform Block Processing on Image Files in Unsupported Formats”.

When you specify the `'Destination'` argument, `blockproc` does not return the processed image as an output argument, but instead writes the output to the `'Destination'`. The `'Destination'` argument is useful when you expect your output to be too large to fit into memory. It provides a workflow for file-to-file image processing for arbitrarily large images.

Note You cannot request an output argument when the `'Destination'` argument is specified.

BorderSize — Border size

[0 0] (default) | 2-element vector of positive integers

Number of border pixels to add to each block, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'BorderSize' and a 2-element vector of positive integers, of the form [*v* *h*]. The function adds *v* rows above and below each block and *h* columns left and right of each block. The size of each resulting block is:

$[m+2*v, n+2*h]$

By default, the function automatically removes the border from the result of `fun`. See the `TrimBorder` argument for more information.

The function pads blocks with borders extending beyond the image edges with zeros.

PadPartialBlocks — Pad partial blocks

false (default) | true

Pad partial blocks to make them full-sized, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'PadPartialBlocks' and false or true. Partial blocks arise when the image size is not exactly divisible by the block size. If they exist, partial blocks lie along the right and bottom edge of the image.

When set to true, `blockproc` pads partial blocks to make them full-sized *m*-by-*n* blocks. The default is false, meaning that the function does not pad the partial blocks, but processes them as-is. `blockproc` uses zeros to pad partial blocks when necessary.

PadMethod — Pad method

0 (default) | 'replicate' | 'symmetric' | numeric scalar

Method used to pad the image boundary, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'PadMethod' and one of the following.

Value	Description
'replicate'	Repeat border elements.
'symmetric'	Pad image with mirror reflections of itself.
numeric scalar	Pad image with a scalar value. By default, the image boundary is padded with the value 0.

Data Types: char | string

TrimBorder — Remove border pixels

true (default) | false

Remove border pixels from the output of the user function, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'TrimBorder' and `true` or `false`. When set to `true`, the `blockproc` function removes border pixels from the output of the user function, `fun`. The function removes `v` rows from the top and bottom of the output of `fun`, and `h` columns from the left and right edges. The `BorderSize` argument defines `v` and `h`.

UseParallel — Use parallel processing

`false` (default) | `true`

Use parallel processing, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UseParallel' and `false` or `true`. If you have Parallel Computing Toolbox™ installed, when set to `true`, MATLAB automatically opens a parallel pool of workers on your local machine. `blockproc` runs the computation across the available workers. For more information, see “Parallel Block Processing on Large Image Files”.

DisplayWaitbar — Display wait bar

`true` (default) | `false`

Display wait bar, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'DisplayWaitbar' and `true` or `false`. When set to `true`, `blockproc` displays a waitbar to indicate progress for long-running operations. To prevent `blockproc` from displaying a waitbar, set `DisplayWaitbar` to `false`.

Output Arguments

B — Output matrix

numeric matrix

Output matrix, returned as a numeric matrix.

Definitions

Block Struct

A *block struct* is a MATLAB structure that contains the block data and other information about the block. Fields in the *block struct* are:

Field	Description
<code>border</code>	2-element vector of the form <code>[v h]</code> . The <code>border</code> field specifies the size of the vertical and horizontal padding around the block of data. See the <code>BorderSize</code> argument for more information.
<code>blockSize</code>	2-element vector of the form <code>[rows cols]</code> . The <code>blockSize</code> field specifies the size of the block data. If a border has been specified, the size does not include the border pixels.
<code>data</code>	m-by-n or m-by-n-by-p matrix of block data.
<code>imageSize</code>	2-element vector of the form <code>[rows cols]</code> . The <code>imageSize</code> field specifies the full size of the input image.
<code>location</code>	2-element vector of the form <code>[row col]</code> . The <code>location</code> field specifies the position of the first pixel (minimum-row, minimum-column) of the block data in the input image. If a border has been specified, the location refers to the first pixel of the discrete block data, not the added border pixels.

Tips

- Choosing an appropriate block size can significantly improve performance. For more information, see “Block Size and Performance”.
- If the output matrix `B` is too large to fit into memory, omit the output argument and instead use the `Destination` name-value pair argument to write the output to a file.

Extended Capabilities

Automatic Parallel Support

Accelerate code by automatically running computation in parallel using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- This function supports automatic parallel processing (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). To run in parallel, specify the `'UseParallel'` argument as `true`. For more information, see “Parallel Block Processing on Large Image Files”.

- Control parallel behavior with the parallel preferences, including scaling up to a cluster. See `parpool` for information on configuring your parallel environment.
- To run in parallel, this function requires a parallel pool with SPMD enabled.
- Parallel processing does not support an `adapter` source image.

See Also

`ImageAdapter` | `colfilt` | `nlfilter`

Topics

“Distinct Block Processing”

“Parallel Block Processing on Large Image Files”

Introduced in R2009b

boundarymask

Find region boundaries of segmentation

Syntax

```
mask = boundarymask(L)
mask = boundarymask(BW)
mask = boundarymask( ____, conn)
```

Description

`mask = boundarymask(L)` computes a mask that represents the region boundaries for the input label matrix `L`. The output, `mask`, is a logical image that is `true` at boundary locations and `false` at non-boundary locations.

`mask = boundarymask(BW)` computes the region boundaries for the input binary image `BW`.

`mask = boundarymask(____, conn)` computes the region boundaries using a connectivity specified by `conn`.

Examples

Create Rasterized Grid of Region Boundaries

Read image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('kobi.png');
```

Create a superpixel representation of the image, returned as a label matrix.

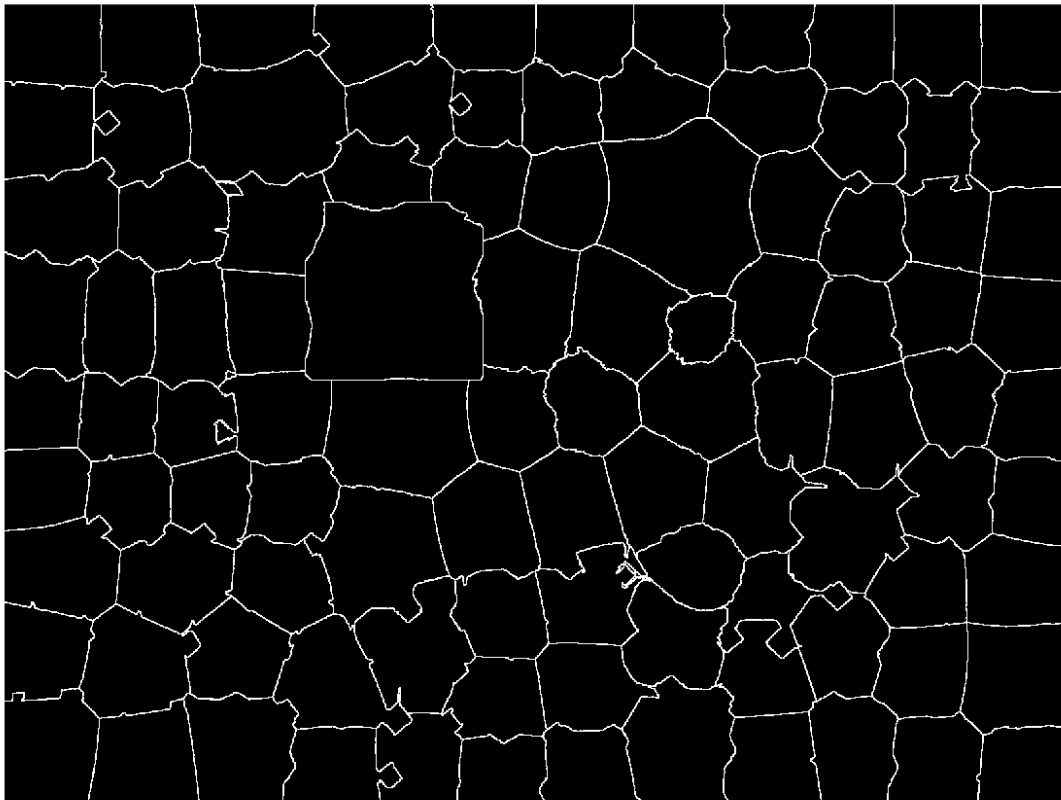
```
L = superpixels(A,100);
```

Create the rasterized grid of the regions in the label matrix.

```
mask = boundarymask(L);
```

Display the boundary mask binary image.

```
figure  
imshow(mask, 'InitialMagnification', 67)
```



Input Arguments

L — Label matrix

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix

Label matrix, specified as a 2-D numeric matrix of nonnegative numbers or a 2-D logical matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

BW — Binary image

numeric matrix | logical matrix

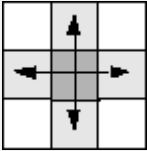
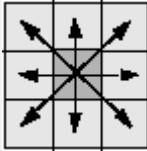
Binary image, specified as a numeric or logical matrix of the same size as L.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

8 (default) | 4

Pixel connectivity, specified as 4 or 8.

Value	Meaning
Two-Dimensional Connectivities	
4-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.</p> 
8-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.</p> 

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

mask — Rasterized grid of region boundaries

2-D logical matrix

Rasterized grid of region boundaries, specified as a 2-D logical matrix of the same size as the input image. A pixel in `mask` is `true` when the corresponding pixel in the input image with value P has a neighboring pixel with a different value than P .

Data Types: `logical`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `boundarymask` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `boundarymask` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the input argument `conn` must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`imoverlay` | `label2idx` | `superpixels`

Introduced in R2016a

brisque

Blind/Referenceless Image Spatial Quality Evaluator (BRISQUE) no-reference image quality score

Syntax

```
score = brisque(A)  
score = brisque(A,model)
```

Description

`score = brisque(A)` calculates the no-reference image quality score for image `A` using the Blind/Referenceless Image Spatial Quality Evaluator (BRISQUE). `brisque` compare `A` to a default model computed from images of natural scenes with similar distortions. A smaller score indicates better perceptual quality.

`score = brisque(A,model)` calculates the image quality score using a custom feature model.

Examples

Calculate BRISQUE Score Using Default Feature Model

Compute the BRISQUE score for a natural image and its distorted versions using the default model.

Read an image into the workspace. Create copies of the image with noise and blurring distortions.

```
I = imread('lighthouse.png');  
Inoise = imnoise(I,'salt & pepper',0.02);  
Iblur = imgaussfilt(I,2);
```

Display the images.

```
montage({I,Inoise,Iblur},'Size',[1 3],'ThumbnailSize',([]))  
title('Original Image | Noisy Image | Blurry Image')
```



Calculate the BRISQUE score for each image using the default model, and display the score.

```
brisqueI = brisque(I);  
fprintf('BRISQUE score for original image is %0.4f.\n',brisqueI)
```

```
BRISQUE score for original image is 20.6586.
```

```
brisqueInoise = brisque(Inoise);  
fprintf('BRISQUE score for noisy image is %0.4f.\n',brisqueInoise)
```

```
BRISQUE score for noisy image is 52.6074.
```

```
brisqueIblur = brisque(Iblur);  
fprintf('BRISQUE score for blurry image is %0.4f.\n',brisqueIblur)
```

```
BRISQUE score for blurry image is 47.7552.
```

The original undistorted image has the best perceptual quality and therefore the lowest BRISQUE score.

Calculate BRISQUE Score Using Custom Feature Model

Train a custom BRISQUE model from a set of quality-aware features and corresponding human opinion scores. Use the custom model to calculate a BRISQUE score for an image of a natural scene.

Save images from an image datastore. These images all have compression artifacts resulting from JPEG compression.

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata');  
imds = imageDatastore(setDir,'FileExtensions',{' .jpg'});
```

Specify the opinion score for each image. The following differential mean opinion score (DMOS) values are for illustrative purposes only. They are not real DMOS values obtained through experimentation.

```
opinionScores = 100*rand(1,size(imds.Files,1));
```

Create the custom model of quality-aware features using the image datastore and the opinion scores. Because the scores are random, the property values will vary.

```
model = fitbrisque(imds,opinionScores')
```

```
Extracting features from 37 images.  
..  
Completed 4 of 37 images. Time: Calculating...  
...  
Completed 13 of 37 images. Time: 00:26 of 01:02  
...  
Completed 23 of 37 images. Time: 00:37 of 00:55  
.....Training support vector regressor...
```

Done.

```
model =  
  brisqueModel with properties:  
  
      Alpha: [35x1 double]  
      Bias: 56.2632  
  SupportVectors: [35x36 double]  
      Kernel: 'gaussian'  
      Scale: 0.2717
```


Read an image of a natural scene that has the same type of distortion as the training images. Display the image.

```
I = imread('car1.jpg');  
imshow(I)
```



Calculate the BRISQUE score for the image using the custom model. Display the score.

```
brisqueI = brisque(I,model);  
fprintf('BRISQUE score for the image is %0.4f.\n',brisqueI)
```

```
BRISQUE score for the image is 78.7367.
```

Input Arguments

A — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D RGB image

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale or RGB image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

model — Custom model

`brisqueModel` object

Custom model trained on a set of quality-aware features, specified as a `brisqueModel` object. `model` is derived from natural scene statistics.

Output Arguments

score — No-reference image quality score

nonnegative scalar

No-reference image quality score, returned as a nonnegative scalar. The BRISQUE score is usually in the range [0, 100]. Lower values of `score` reflect better perceptual quality of image A with respect to the input `model`.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

`brisque` predicts the BRISQUE score by using a support vector regression (SVR) model trained on an image database with corresponding differential mean opinion score (DMOS) values. The database contains images with known distortion such as compression artifacts, blurring, and noise, and it contains pristine versions of the distorted images. The image to be scored must have at least one of the distortions for which the model was trained.

References

- [1] Mittal, A., A. K. Moorthy, and A. C. Bovik. "No-Reference Image Quality Assessment in the Spatial Domain." *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*. Vol. 21, Number 12, December 2012, pp. 4695–4708.
- [2] Mittal, A., A. K. Moorthy, and A. C. Bovik. "Referenceless Image Spatial Quality Evaluation Engine." Presentation at the 45th Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems and Computers, Pacific Grove, CA, November 2011.

See Also

Functions

fitbrisque | fitniqe | niqe | piqe

Objects

brisqueModel

Topics

"Image Quality Metrics"

Introduced in R2017b

brisqueModel

Blind/Referenceless Image Spatial Quality Evaluator (BRISQUE) model

Description

A `brisqueModel` object encapsulates a model used to calculate the Blind/Referenceless Image Spatial Quality Evaluator (BRISQUE) perceptual quality score of an image. The object contains a support vector regressor (SVR) model.

Creation

You can create a `brisqueModel` object using the following methods:

- `fitbrisque` — Train a BRISQUE model containing a custom trained support vector regressor (SVR) model. Use this function if you do not have a pretrained model.
- The `brisqueModel` function described here. Use this function if you have a pretrained SVR model, or if the default model is sufficient for your application.

Syntax

```
m = brisqueModel
m = brisqueModel(alpha,bias,supportVectors,scale)
```

Description

`m = brisqueModel` creates a BRISQUE model object with default property values that are derived from the LIVE IQA image database [1] [2].

`m = brisqueModel(alpha,bias,supportVectors,scale)` creates a custom BRISQUE model and sets the `Alpha` on page 1-0 , `Bias` on page 1-0 , `SupportVectors` on page 1-0 , and `Scale` on page 1-0 properties. You must provide all four arguments to create a custom model.

Note It is difficult to predict good property values without running an optimization routine. Use this syntax only if you are creating a `brisqueModel` object using a pretrained SVR model with known property values.

Properties

Alpha — Coefficients obtained by solving dual problem

m-by-1 numeric vector

Coefficients obtained by solving the dual problem, specified as an *m*-by-1 numeric vector. The length of Alpha must match the number of support vectors (the number of rows of `SupportVectors` on page 1-0).

Example: `rand(10,1)`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Bias — Bias term in SVM model

43.4582 (default) | numeric scalar

Bias term in SVM model, specified as a numeric scalar.

Example: `47.4`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

SupportVectors — Support vectors

m-by-36 numeric vector

Support vectors, specified as an *m*-by-36 numeric vector. The number of rows, *m*, matches the length of Alpha on page 1-0 .

Example: `rand(10,36)`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Kernel — Kernel function

'gaussian' (default)

This property is read-only.

Kernel function, specified as 'gaussian'.

Scale — Kernel scale factor

0.3210 (default) | numeric scalar

Kernel scale factor, specified as a numeric scalar. The scale factor divides predictor values in the SVR kernel.

Example: 0.25

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

Examples

Create BRISQUE Model Object with Default Properties

```
model = brisqueModel

model =
    brisqueModel with properties:

        Alpha: [593x1 double]
        Bias: 43.4582
        SupportVectors: [593x36 double]
        Kernel: 'gaussian'
        Scale: 0.3210
```

Create BRISQUE Model Object with Custom Properties

Create a `brisqueModel` object using precomputed Alpha, Bias, SupportVectors, and Scale properties. Random initializations are shown for illustrative purposes only.

```
model = brisqueModel(rand(10,1),47,rand(10,36),0.25)

model =
    brisqueModel with properties:

        Alpha: [10x1 double]
        Bias: 47
        SupportVectors: [10x36 double]
        Kernel: 'gaussian'
```

Scale: 0.2500

You can use the custom model to calculate the BRISQUE score for an image.

```
I = imread('lighthouse.png');
score = brisque(I,model)
```

```
score = 47
```

Algorithms

The support vector regressor (SVR) calculates regression scores for predictor matrix X as:

$$F = G(X, \text{SupportVectors}) \times \text{Alpha} + \text{Bias}$$

$G(X, \text{SupportVectors})$ is an n -by- m matrix of kernel products for n rows in X and m rows in SupportVectors . The SVR has 36 predictors, which determine the number of columns in SupportVectors .

The SVR computes a kernel product between vectors x and z using $\text{Kernel}(x/\text{Scale}, z/\text{Scale})$.

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- [1] Mittal, A., A. K. Moorthy, and A. C. Bovik. "No-Reference Image Quality Assessment in the Spatial Domain." *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*. Vol. 21, Number 12, December 2012, pp. 4695–4708.
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See Also

Functions

brisque | fitbrisque

Objects

CompactRegressionSVM | niqeModel

Topics

“Image Quality Metrics”

“Train and Use a No-Reference Quality Assessment Model”

Introduced in R2017b

burstinterpolant

Create high-resolution image from set of low-resolution burst mode images

Syntax

```
B = burstinterpolant(imds,tforms,scale)
B = burstinterpolant(images,tforms,scale)
```

Description

`B = burstinterpolant(imds,tforms,scale)` creates a high-resolution image, `B` from a set of low-resolution burst mode images stored as an `ImageDatastore` object, `imds`. `scale` specifies the magnification value for high-resolution image. The size of `B` is `scale` times the size of input images.

`B = burstinterpolant(images,tforms,scale)` creates a high-resolution image, `B` from a set of low-resolution burst mode images stored in cell array `images`. The size of `B` is `scale` times the size of input images.

Examples

Create High-Resolution Image from Burst Mode Images in Image Datastore

Specify the location of low-resolution burst mode images to be stored as an image datastore object. The input images are 2-D RGB images.

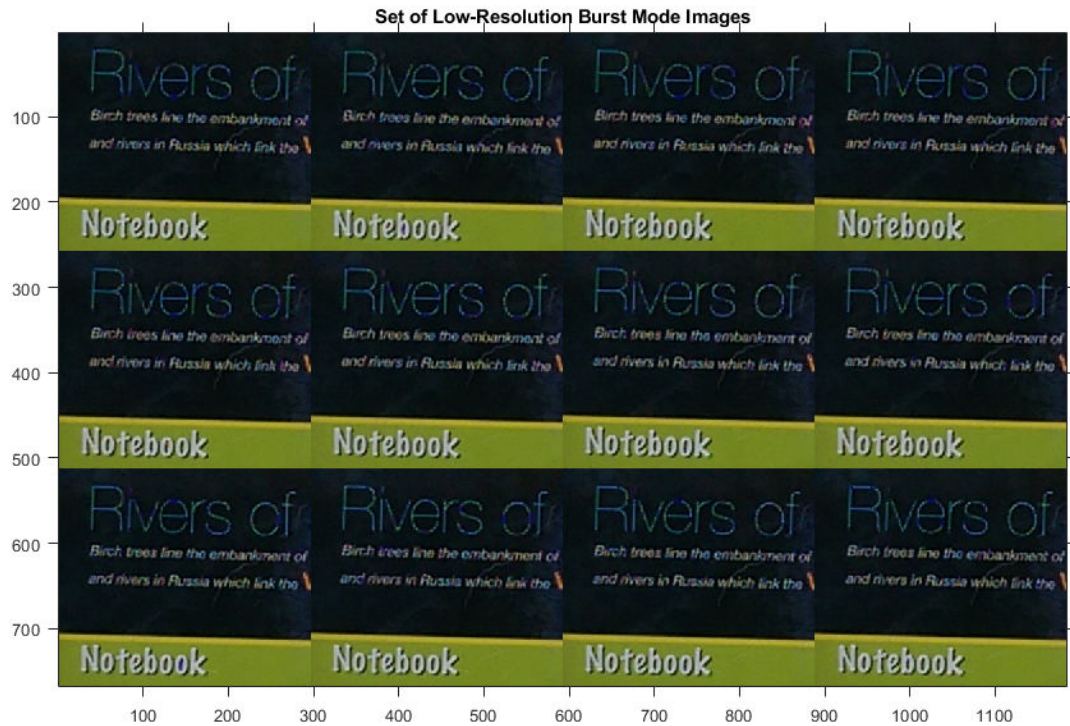
```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata','notebook');
```

Use the `imageDatastore` function to read and store the low-resolution burst mode images as an image datastore object.

```
imds = imageDatastore(setDir,'FileExtensions',{' .png'});
```

Display the images as a montage.

```
montage(imds)
title('Set of Low-Resolution Burst Mode Images')
```



Compute Geometric Transformation Parameters

To compute geometric transformation parameters, convert all the RGB images into lightness images by using `rgb2lightness` function. The burst mode lightness images are stored as an image datastore object.

```
imdsTransformed = transform(imds,@(x) rgb2lightness(x));
```

Read the first lightness image into the workspace and use it as the reference image for estimating geometric transformations.

```
refImg = read(imdsTransformed);
```

Get the optimal configuration parameters required for registration of the burst mode lightness images by using `imregconfig` function. Specify the image capture modality as 'monomodal'.

```
[optimizer,metric] = imregconfig('monomodal');
```

Find the total number of images stored in the image datastore object by using `numpartitions` function.

```
numImages = numpartitions(imds);
```

Create an array of 2-D affine transformation object to store 2-D affine transformations of each low-resolution burst mode lightness image excluding the reference image. Set the number of rows in the transformation array as total number of images in the image datastore object minus one.

```
tforms = repmat(affine2d(),numImages-1,1);
```

Use the `imregtform` function to estimate the rigid geometric transformations for each low-resolution burst mode lightness image with respect to the reference image.

```
idx = 1;
while hasdata(imdsTransformed)
    movingImg = read(imdsTransformed);
    tforms(idx) = imregtform(refImg,movingImg,'rigid',optimizer,metric);
    idx = idx + 1;
end
```

Construct High-Resolution Image

Specify the scale factor for generating the high-resolution image.

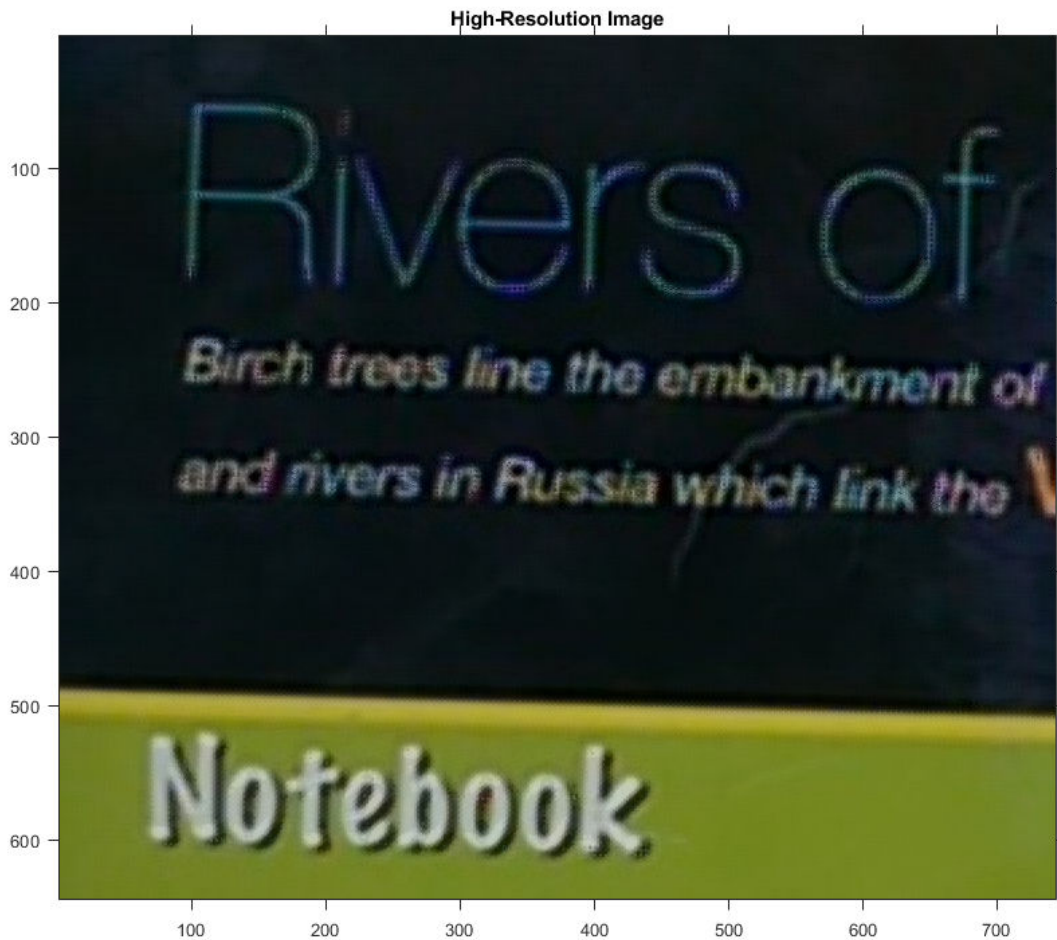
```
scale = 4;
```

Create the high-resolution image from the set of low-resolution burst mode RGB images. Specify the transformation parameter to robustly estimate the high-resolution pixel values.

```
B = burstinterpolant(imds,tforms,scale);
```

Display the high-resolution image.

```
figure('WindowState','maximized')
imshow(B)
title('High-Resolution Image')
```



Read a low-resolution burst mode RGB image from the image datastore and display its size.

```
Img = read(imds);  
inputDim = [size(Img,1) size(Img,2)]  
  
inputDim = 1×2
```

```
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```

Display the size of the high-resolution image. Because the scale factor is 4, the size of the high-resolution image is 4 times the size of the low-resolution burst mode RGB images.

```
outputDim = [size(B,1) size(B,2)]
```

```
outputDim = 1x2
```

```
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```

Create High-Resolution Image from Cell Array of Burst Mode Images

Load cell array data containing the low-resolution burst mode image into the workspace. The input images are monomodal and 2-D RGB images.

```
load('LRData')
```

Display images in the cell array data as a montage.

```
montage(images, 'Size', [2 4], 'BackgroundColor', [1 1 1]);  
title('Set of Low-Resolution Burst Mode Images')
```



Compute Geometric Transformation Parameters

To compute geometric transformation parameters, convert all the RGB images into lightness images by using `rgb2lightness` function.

```
imagesT = cellfun(@rgb2lightness,images,'UniformOutput',false);
```

Read the first lightness image into the workspace and use it as the reference image for estimating geometric transformations.

```
refImg = imagesT{1};
```

Get the optimal configuration parameters required for registration of the burst mode lightness images by using `imregconfig`. Specify the image capture modality as `'monomodal'`.

```
[optimizer,metric] = imregconfig('monomodal');
```

Find the total number of images stored in the cell array.

```
numImages = length(images);
```

Create an array of 2-D affine transformation object to store 2-D affine transformations of each low-resolution burst mode lightness image excluding the reference image. Set the number of rows in the transformation array as total number of images in the cell array minus one.

```
tforms = repmat(affine2d(),numImages-1,1);
```

Use the `imregtform` function to estimate the rigid geometric transformations for each low-resolution burst mode lightness image with respect to the reference image.

```
for i= 2:length(images)
    movingImg = imagesT{i};
    tforms(i-1) = imregtform(refImg,movingImg,'rigid',optimizer,metric);
end
```

Construct High-Resolution Image

Specify the scale factor for generating the high-resolution image.

```
scale = 3;
```

Construct the high-resolution image from the set of low-resolution burst mode RGB images. Specify the transformation parameter to robustly estimate the high-resolution pixel values.

```
B = burstinterpolant(images,tforms,scale);
```

Display the high-resolution image.

```
figure
imshow(B);
title ('High-Resolution Image')
```

High-Resolution Image



Read a low-resolution burst mode RGB image from the cell array and display its size.

```
Img = images{1};
inputDim = [size(Img,1) size(Img,2)]

inputDim = 1x2
```

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Display the size of the high-resolution image. Because the scale factor is 3, the size of the high-resolution image is 3 times the size of the low-resolution burst mode images.

```
outputDim = [size(B,1) size(B,2)]
```

```
outputDim = 1×2
```

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Input Arguments

imds — Input image datastore

ImageDatastore object

Input image datastore, specified as an `ImageDatastore` object. The input image datastore contains multiple low-resolution burst mode images used for creating the high-resolution image output.

- Images in the input image datastore must be 2-D grayscale images of size m -by- n or 2-D RGB images of size m -by- n -by-3.
- All images in the input image datastore must be of the same size and data type.
- The number of images in the input image datastore must be greater than or equal to 2.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

images — Input images

k -by-1 cell array

Input images, specified as a k -by-1 cell array. k is the number of input images stored in the cell array. All the input images must have same size.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

tforms — Transformation parameter

`affine2d` object array

Transformation parameter, specified as an `affine2d` object array of size $(k-1)$ -by-1 or 1-by- $(k-1)$. k is the number of images in input `imds` or `images`.

scale — Resize factor

scalar greater than or equal to 1

Resize factor, specified as a scalar greater than or equal to 1.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

B — High-resolution image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D RGB image

High-resolution image, returned as a 2-D grayscale image or 2-D RGB image. **B** is of the same data type as the input images. The size of **B** is the value of `scale` times the size of the images in input `imds` or `images`.

For example, let L be the value of `scale`, and m -by- n be the size of the low-resolution burst mode images. Then, the size of the high-resolution image is mL -by- nL .

Tips

- Compute `tforms` with respect to each input image using the `imregtform` function. The first image in the input can be used as the reference image for estimating rigid geometric transformations (rotations and translations only).
- Compute input arguments `optimizer` and `metric` in `imregtform` using `imregconfig` function. `optimizer` must be a `RegularStepGradientDescent` object and `metric` must be a `MeanSquares` object.
- To improve the high-resolution output, you can modify the input argument value of `RegularStepGradientDescent` optimizer object in `imregtform`. For more details about these modifications, see the properties of `RegularStepGradientDescent`.

Algorithms

The `burstinterpolant` function uses the inverse distance weighting method [1] to generate high-resolution image from a set of low-resolution burst mode images. The function predicts a high-resolution pixel value from a set of pixels in the low-resolution burst mode images, selected based on the transformation parameter. The use of

transformation parameter `tforms` makes the pixel selection robust to any rigid geometric transformations (rotations and translations only).

Note

- If the input images are 2-D RGB images, estimate `tforms` from the lightness component. You can use the `rgb2lightness` function to compute lightness values from the RGB color values.
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References

- [1] Shepard, Donald. "A Two-Dimensional Interpolation Function for Irregularly-Spaced Data", In *Proceedings of the 1968 23rd ACM National Conference*, 517-524. New York, NY: ACM, 1968.

See Also

`imregconfig` | `imregtform` | `rgb2lightness` | `scatteredInterpolant`

Introduced in R2019a

bwarea

Area of objects in binary image

Syntax

```
total = bwarea(BW)
```

Description

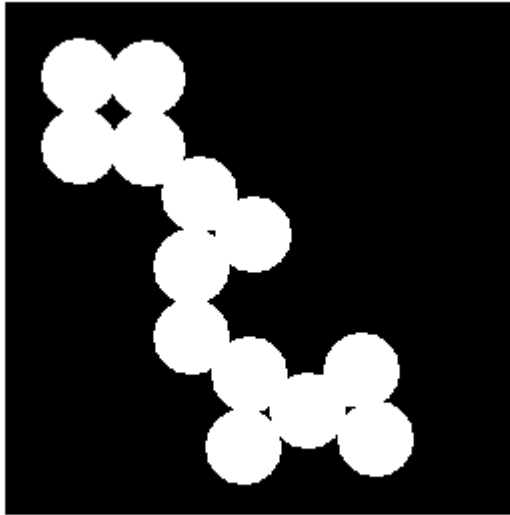
`total = bwarea(BW)` estimates the area of the objects in binary image `BW`. `total` is a scalar whose value corresponds roughly to the total number of on pixels in the image, but might not be exactly the same because different patterns of pixels are weighted differently.

Examples

Calculate Area of Objects in Binary Image

Read a binary image and display it.

```
BW = imread('circles.png');  
imshow(BW)
```



Calculate the area of objects in the image.

```
bwarea(BW)
```

```
ans = 1.4187e+04
```

Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix

Binary image, specified as a 2-D numeric or logical matrix. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (`true`).

```
Example: BW = imread('text.png'); L = bwlabel(BW);
```

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

total — Estimated number of on pixels

numeric scalar

Estimated number of on pixels in binary image *BW*, returned as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

`bwarea` estimates the area of all of the on pixels in an image by summing the areas of each pixel in the image. The area of an individual pixel is determined by looking at its 2-by-2 neighborhood. There are six different patterns, each representing a different area:

- Patterns with zero on pixels (area = 0)
- Patterns with one on pixel (area = 1/4)
- Patterns with two adjacent on pixels (area = 1/2)
- Patterns with two diagonal on pixels (area = 3/4)
- Patterns with three on pixels (area = 7/8)
- Patterns with all four on pixels (area = 1)

Each pixel is part of four different 2-by-2 neighborhoods. This means, for example, that a single on pixel surrounded by off pixels has a total area of 1.

References

[1] Pratt, William K., *Digital Image Processing*, New York, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1991, p. 634.

See Also

`bweuler` | `bwferet` | `bwperim`

Introduced before R2006a

bwareafilt

Extract objects from binary image by size

Syntax

```
BW2 = bwareafilt(BW,range)
BW2 = bwareafilt(BW,n)
BW2 = bwareafilt(BW,n,keep)
BW2 = bwareafilt( ____,conn)
```

Description

`BW2 = bwareafilt(BW, range)` extracts all connected components (objects) from the binary image `BW`, where the area of the objects is in the specified `range`, producing another binary image `BW2`. `bwareafilt` returns a binary image `BW2` containing only those objects that meet the criteria.

`BW2 = bwareafilt(BW, n)` keeps the `n` largest objects. In the event of a tie for `n`-th place, only the first `n` objects are included in `BW2`.

`BW2 = bwareafilt(BW, n, keep)` specifies whether to keep the `n` largest objects or the `n` smallest objects.

`BW2 = bwareafilt(____, conn)` specifies the pixel connectivity that defines the objects.

Examples

Filter Binary Image by Area of Objects

Read image.

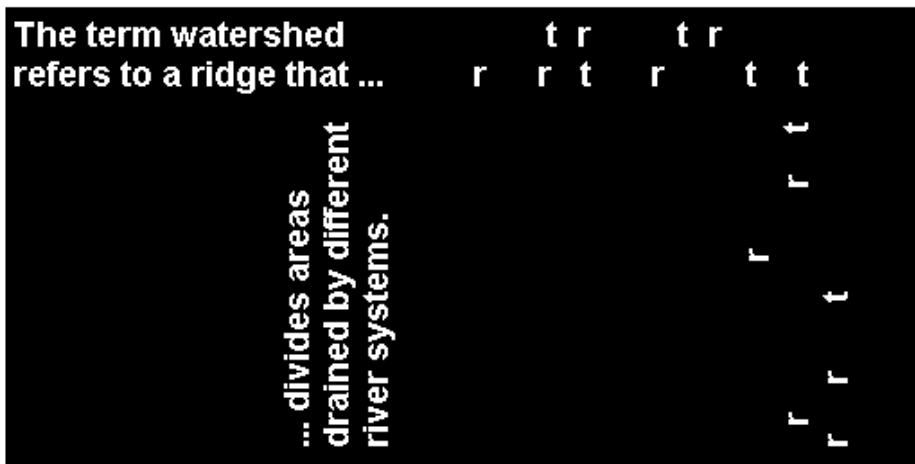
```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Filter image, retaining only those objects with areas between 40 and 50.

```
BW2 = bwareafilt(BW,[40 50]);
```

Display the original image and filtered image side by side.

```
imshowpair(BW,BW2,'montage')
```



Filter Binary Image by Size of Objects

Read image.

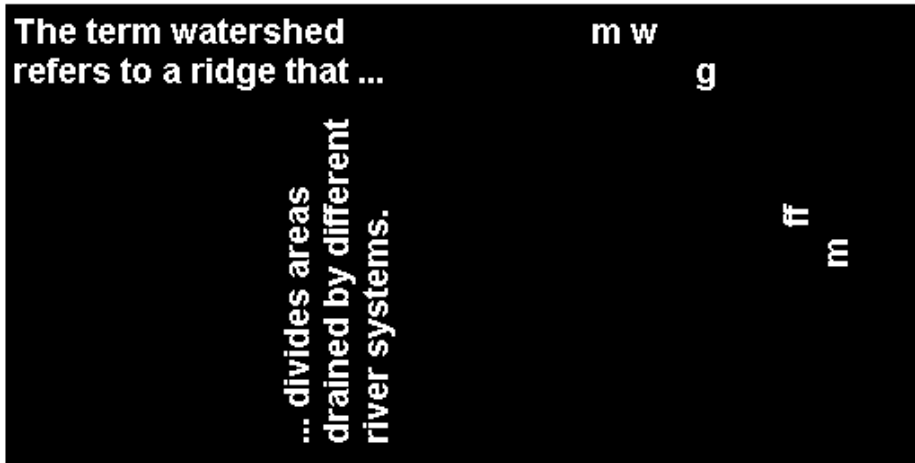
```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Filter image, retaining only the 5 objects with the largest areas.

```
BW2 = bwareafilt(BW,5);
```

Display the original image and the filtered image side by side.

```
imshowpair(BW,BW2,'montage')
```



Input Arguments

BW — Image to be filtered

binary image

Image to be filtered, specified as a binary image.

Data Types: `logical`

range — Minimum and maximum areas

2-by-1 numeric vector

Minimum and maximum values of the area, specified as a 2-by-1 numeric vector of the form `[low high]`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

n — Number of objects to include

numeric scalar

Number of objects to include when filtering image objects by size, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: double

keep — Size of objects to include

'largest' (default) | 'smallest'

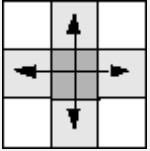
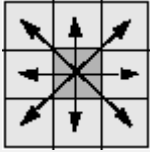
Size of objects to include in the output image, specified as 'largest' or 'smallest'. In the event of a tie for n-th place, `bwareafilt` includes only the first n objects.

Data Types: char | string

conn — Pixel connectivity

8 (default) | 4 | 3-by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of these values.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way by specifying a 3-by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. The matrix must be symmetric about its center element.

Data Types: double | logical

Output Arguments

BW2 — Filtered image

binary image

Filtered image, returned as a binary image of the same size and class as the input image BW.

See Also

[bwareaopen](#) | [bwconncomp](#) | [bwpropfilt](#) | [conndef](#) | [regionprops](#)

Topics

“Filter Images on Region Properties Using Image Region Analyzer App”

Introduced in R2014b

bwareaopen

Remove small objects from binary image

Syntax

```
BW2 = bwareaopen(BW,P)  
BW2 = bwareaopen(BW,P,conn)
```

Description

`BW2 = bwareaopen(BW,P)` removes all connected components (objects) that have fewer than `P` pixels from the binary image `BW`, producing another binary image, `BW2`. This operation is known as an area opening.

`BW2 = bwareaopen(BW,P,conn)` removes all connected components, where `conn` specifies the desired connectivity.

Examples

Remove Objects in Image Containing Fewer Than 50 Pixels

Read binary image.

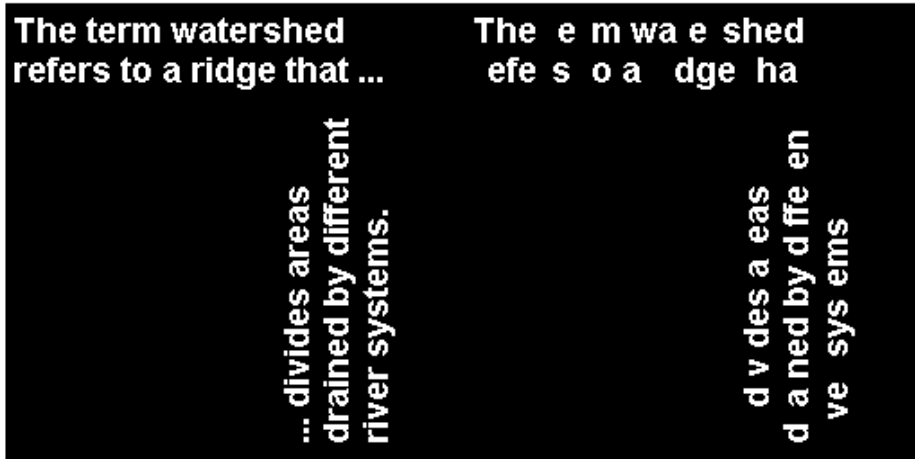
```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Remove objects containing fewer than 50 pixels using `bwareaopen` function.

```
BW2 = bwareaopen(BW, 50);
```

Display original image next to morphologically opened image.

```
imshowpair(BW,BW2,'montage')
```



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

logical array | numeric array

Binary image, specified as a logical or numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | logical

P — Maximum number of pixels in objects

nonnegative integer

Maximum number of pixels in objects, specified as a nonnegative integer.

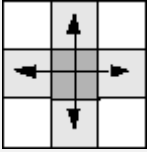
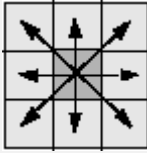
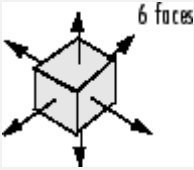
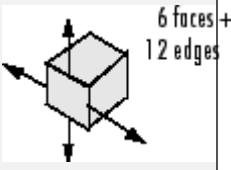
Example: 50

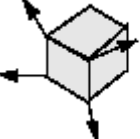
Data Types: double

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `bwareaopen` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(BW), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

BW2 — Area-opened image

logical array

Area-opened image, returned as a logical array of the same size as `BW`.

Algorithms

The basic steps are

- 1 Determine the connected components:

```
CC = bwconncomp(BW, conn);
```

- 2 Compute the area of each component:

```
S = regionprops(CC, 'Area');
```

- 3 Remove small objects:

```
L = labelmatrix(CC);  
BW2 = ismember(L, find([S.Area] >= P));
```

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwareaopen` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- `BW` must be a 2-D binary image. N-D arrays are not supported.
- `conn` can only be one of the two-dimensional connectivities (4 or 8) or a 3-by-3 matrix. The 3-D connectivities (6, 18, and 26) are not supported. Matrices of size 3-by-3-by-...-by-3 are not supported.
- `conn` must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`bwconncomp` | `conndef`

Introduced before R2006a

bwboundaries

Trace region boundaries in binary image

Syntax

```
B = bwboundaries(BW)
B = bwboundaries(BW,conn)
B = bwboundaries(BW,conn,options)
[B,L]= bwboundaries( ___ )
[B,L,n,A] = bwboundaries( ___ )
```

Description

`B = bwboundaries(BW)` traces the exterior boundaries of objects, as well as boundaries of holes inside these objects, in the binary image `BW`. `bwboundaries` also descends into the outermost objects (parents) and traces their children (objects completely enclosed by the parents). Returns `B`, a cell array of boundary pixel locations.

`B = bwboundaries(BW,conn)` traces the exterior boundaries of objects, where `conn` specifies the connectivity to use when tracing parent and child boundaries.

`B = bwboundaries(BW,conn,options)` traces the exterior boundaries of objects, where `options` is either `'holes'` or `'noholes'`, specifying whether you want to include the boundaries of holes inside other objects.

`[B,L]= bwboundaries(___)` returns a label matrix `L` where objects and holes are labeled.

`[B,L,n,A] = bwboundaries(___)` returns `n`, the number of objects found, and `A`, an adjacency matrix.

Examples

Overlay Region Boundaries on Image

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

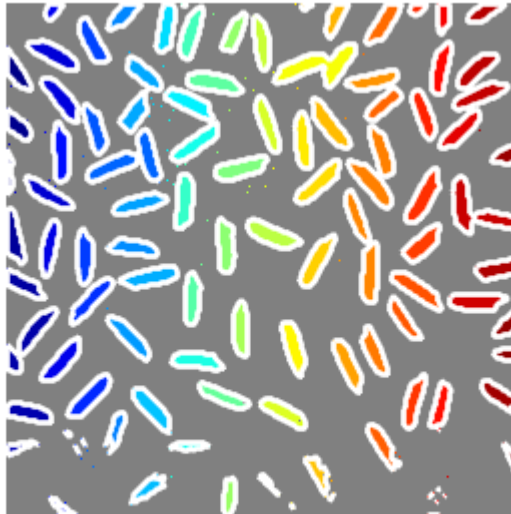
```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Convert grayscale image to binary image using local adaptive thresholding.

```
BW = imbinarize(I);
```

Calculate boundaries of regions in image and overlay the boundaries on the image.

```
[B,L] = bwboundaries(BW,'noholes');  
imshow(label2rgb(L, @jet, [.5 .5 .5]))  
hold on  
for k = 1:length(B)  
    boundary = B{k};  
    plot(boundary(:,2), boundary(:,1), 'w', 'LineWidth', 2)  
end  
end
```



Overlay Region Boundaries on Image and Annotate with Region Numbers

Read binary image into the workspace.

```
BW = imread('blobs.png');
```

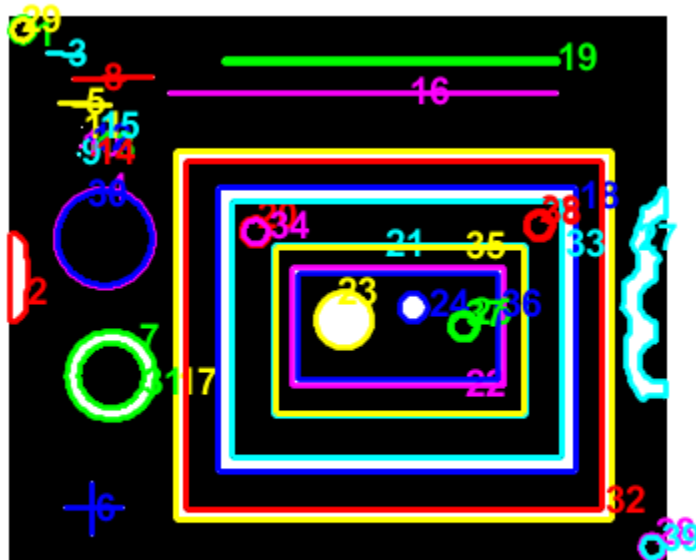
Calculate boundaries of regions in the image.

```
[B,L,N,A] = bwboundaries(BW);
```

Display the image with the boundaries overlaid. Add the region number next to every boundary (based on the label matrix). Use the zoom tool to read individual labels.

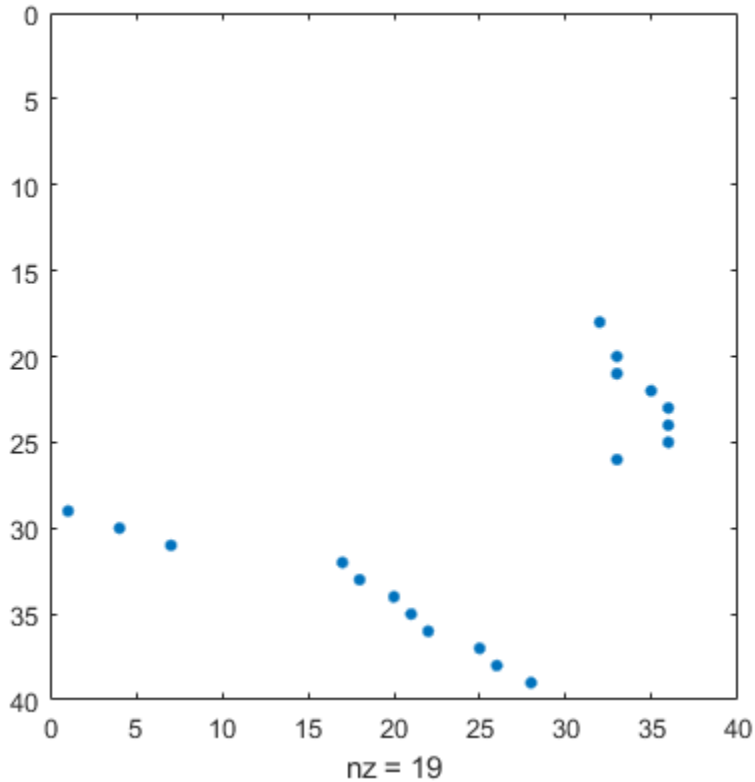
```
imshow(BW); hold on;
colors=['b' 'g' 'r' 'c' 'm' 'y'];
for k=1:length(B),
    boundary = B{k};
    cidx = mod(k,length(colors))+1;
    plot(boundary(:,2), boundary(:,1),...
         colors(cidx),'LineWidth',2);

    %randomize text position for better visibility
    rndRow = ceil(length(boundary)/(mod(rand*k,7)+1));
    col = boundary(rndRow,2); row = boundary(rndRow,1);
    h = text(col+1, row-1, num2str(L(row,col)));
    set(h,'Color',colors(cidx),'FontSize',14,'FontWeight','bold');
end
```



Display the adjacency matrix using the spy function.

```
figure  
spy(A);
```



Display Object Boundaries in Red and Hole Boundaries in Green

Read binary image into workspace.

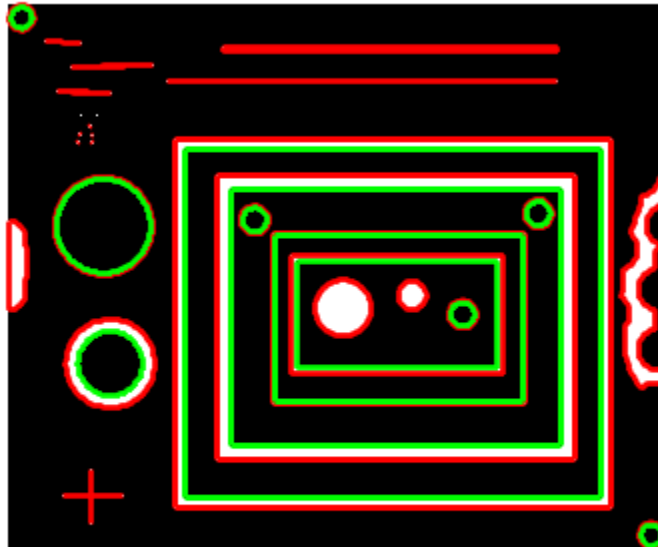
```
BW = imread('blobs.png');
```

Calculate boundaries.

```
[B,L,N] = bwboundaries(BW);
```

Display object boundaries in red and hole boundaries in green.

```
imshow(BW); hold on;  
for k=1:length(B),  
    boundary = B{k};  
    if(k > N)  
        plot(boundary(:,2), boundary(:,1), 'g','LineWidth',2);  
    else  
        plot(boundary(:,2), boundary(:,1), 'r','LineWidth',2);  
    end  
end  
end
```



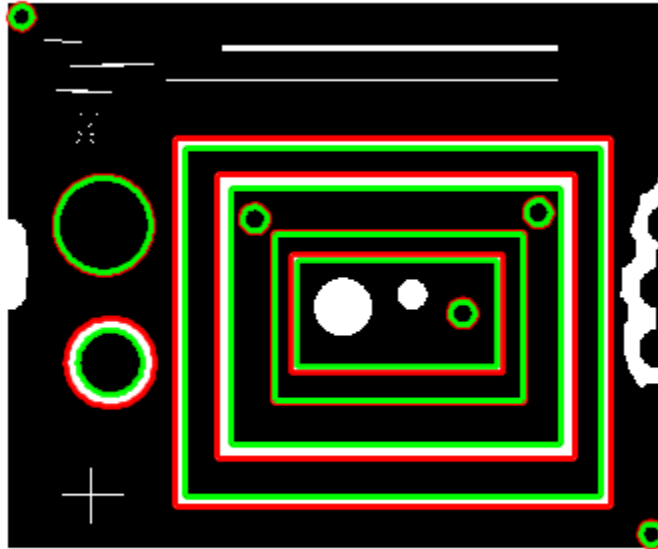
Display Parent Boundaries in Red and Holes in Green

Read image into workspace.

```
BW = imread('blobs.png');
```

Display parent boundaries in red and their holes in green.

```
[B,L,N,A] = bwboundaries(BW);
figure; imshow(BW); hold on;
% Loop through object boundaries
for k = 1:N
    % Boundary k is the parent of a hole if the k-th column
    % of the adjacency matrix A contains a non-zero element
    if (nnz(A(:,k)) > 0)
        boundary = B{k};
        plot(boundary(:,2),...
            boundary(:,1), 'r', 'LineWidth', 2);
        % Loop through the children of boundary k
        for l = find(A(:,k))'
            boundary = B{l};
            plot(boundary(:,2),...
                boundary(:,1), 'g', 'LineWidth', 2);
        end
    end
end
end
```

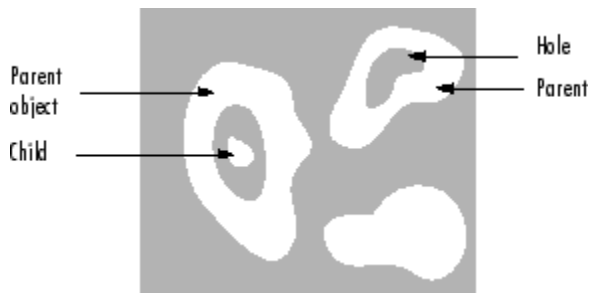


Input Arguments

BW — Input binary image

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix

Binary input image, specified as a 2-D logical or numeric matrix. BW must be a binary image where nonzero pixels belong to an object and zero-valued pixels constitute the background. The following figure illustrates these components.

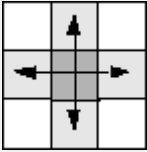
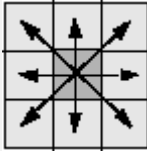


Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

8 (default) | 4

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Meaning
Two-Dimensional Connectivities	
4-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.</p> 
8-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.</p> 

Data Types: `double`

options — Determine whether to search for both parent and child boundaries

'holes' (default) | 'noholes'

Determine whether to search for both parent and child boundaries, specified as either of the following:

Option	Meaning
'holes'	Search for both object and hole boundaries. This is the default.
'noholes'	Search only for object (parent and child) boundaries. This can provide better performance.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

B — Row and column coordinates of boundary pixels

p-by-1 cell array

Row and column coordinates of boundary pixels, returned as a *p*-by-1 cell array, where *p* is the number of objects and holes. Each cell in the cell array contains a *q*-by-2 matrix. Each row in the matrix contains the row and column coordinates of a boundary pixel. *q* is the number of boundary pixels for the corresponding region.

L — Label matrix

2-D matrix of nonnegative integers

Label matrix of contiguous regions, returned as a 2-D matrix of nonnegative integers. The *k*th region includes all elements in **L** that have value *k*. The number of objects and holes represented by **L** is equal to $\max(\mathbf{L}(:))$. The zero-valued elements of **L** make up the background.

Data Types: double

n — Number of objects found

nonnegative integer

Number of objects found, returned as a nonnegative integer.

Data Types: double

A — Parent-child dependencies between boundaries and holes

square, sparse, logical matrix

Parent-child dependencies between boundaries and holes, returned as a square, sparse, logical matrix of class `double` with side of length $\max(\mathbf{L}(:))$. The rows and columns of **A** correspond to the positions of boundaries stored in **B**. The first *n* cells in **B** are object

boundaries. $A(i, j)=1$ means that object i is a child of object j . The boundaries that enclose or are enclosed by the k -th boundary can be found using A as follows:

```
enclosing_boundary = find(A(m,:));  
enclosed_boundaries = find(A(:,m));
```

Algorithms

The `bwboundaries` function implements the Moore-Neighbor tracing algorithm modified by Jacob's stopping criteria. This function is based on the `boundaries` function presented in the first edition of *Digital Image Processing Using MATLAB*, by Gonzalez, R. C., R. E. Woods, and S. L. Eddins, New Jersey, Pearson Prentice Hall, 2004.

References

- [1] Gonzalez, R. C., R. E. Woods, and S. L. Eddins, *Digital Image Processing Using MATLAB*, New Jersey, Pearson Prentice Hall, 2004.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwboundaries` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `bwboundaries` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The parameter `conn` must be a compile-time constant.
- The parameter `options` must be a compile-time constant.
- The return value A can only be a full matrix, not a sparse matrix.

See Also

`bwlabel` | `bwlabeln` | `bwperim` | `bwtraceboundary`

Introduced before R2006a

bwconncomp

Find connected components in binary image

Syntax

```
CC = bwconncomp(BW)
CC = bwconncomp(BW, conn)
```

Description

`CC = bwconncomp(BW)` returns the connected components `CC` found in the binary image `BW`. `bwconncomp` uses a default connectivity of 8 for two dimensions, 26 for three dimensions, and `conndef(ndims(BW), 'maximal')` for higher dimensions.

`CC = bwconncomp(BW, conn)` returns the connected components where `conn` specifies the desired connectivity for the connected components.

Examples

Calculate Centroids of 3-D Objects

Create a small sample 3-D array.

```
BW = cat(3, [1 1 0; 0 0 0; 1 0 0], ...
            [0 1 0; 0 0 0; 0 1 0], ...
            [0 1 1; 0 0 0; 0 0 1]);
```

Find the connected components in the array.

```
CC = bwconncomp(BW)
```

```
CC = struct with fields:
    Connectivity: 26
    ImageSize: [3 3 3]
    NumObjects: 2
```

```
PixelIdxList: {[5x1 double] [3x1 double]}
```

Calculate centroids of the objects in the array.

```
S = regionprops(CC, 'Centroid')
```

```
S = 2x1 struct array with fields:  
Centroid
```

Erase Largest Component from Image

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
BW = imread('text.png');  
imshow(BW)
```

**The term watershed
refers to a ridge that ...**

**... divides areas
drained by different
river systems.**

Find the number of connected components in the image.

```
CC = bwconncomp(BW)

CC = struct with fields:
    Connectivity: 8
    ImageSize: [256 256]
    NumObjects: 88
    PixelIdxList: {1x88 cell}
```

Determine which is the largest component in the image and erase it (set all the pixels to 0).

```
numPixels = cellfun(@numel,CC.PixelIdxList);
[biggest,idx] = max(numPixels);
BW(CC.PixelIdxList{idx}) = 0;
```

Display the image, noting that the largest component happens to be the two consecutive f's in the word different.

```
figure
imshow(BW)
```

The term watershed
refers to a ridge that ...

... divides areas
drained by different
river systems.

Input Arguments

BW — Input binary image

numeric array | logical array

Input binary image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be on.

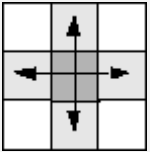
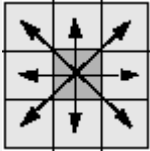
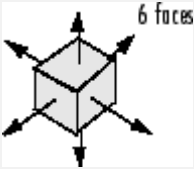
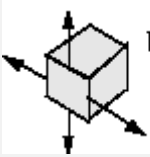
Example: `BW = imread('text.png');`

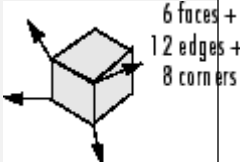
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

`4` | `8` | `6` | `18` | `26` | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	 <p>6 faces</p>
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges</p>

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	

For higher dimensions, `bwconncomp` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(BW), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

CC — Connected components

struct

Connected components, returned as a structure with four fields.

Field	Description
Connectivity	Connectivity of the connected components (objects)
ImageSize	Size of BW
NumObjects	Number of connected components (objects) in BW
PixelIdxList	1-by-NumObjects cell array where the k -th element in the cell array is a vector containing the linear indices of the pixels in the k -th object.

Tips

- The functions `bwlabel`, `bwlabeln`, and `bwconncomp` all compute connected components for binary images. `bwconncomp` replaces the use of `bwlabel` and `bwlabeln`. It uses significantly less memory and is sometimes faster than the other functions.

Function	Input Dimension	Output Form	Memory Use	Connectivity
<code>bwlabel</code>	2-D	Label matrix with double-precision	High	4 or 8
<code>bwlabeln</code>	N-D	Double-precision label matrix	High	Any
<code>bwconncomp</code>	N-D	CC struct	Low	Any

- To extract features from a binary image using `regionprops` with default connectivity, just pass `BW` directly into `regionprops` (i.e., `regionprops(BW)`).
- To compute a label matrix having more memory-efficient data type (e.g., `uint8` versus `double`), use the `labelmatrix` function on the output of `bwconncomp`. See the documentation for each function for more information.

Algorithms

The basic steps in finding the connected components are:

- 1 Search for the next unlabeled pixel, `p`.
- 2 Use a flood-fill algorithm to label all the pixels in the connected component containing `p`.
- 3 Repeat steps 1 and 2 until all the pixels are labeled.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwconncomp` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- `bwconncomp` only supports 2-D inputs.
- The `conn` arguments must be a compile-time constant and the only connectivities supported are 4 or 8. You can also specify connectivity as a 3-by-3 matrix, but it can only be `[0 1 0;1 1 1;0 1 0]` or `ones(3)`
- The `PixelIdxList` field in the CC struct return value is not supported.

See Also

`bwlabel` | `bwlabeln` | `labelmatrix` | `regionprops`

Introduced in R2009a

bwconvhull

Generate convex hull image from binary image

Syntax

```
CH = bwconvhull(BW)
CH = bwconvhull(BW,method)
CH = bwconvhull(BW,'objects',conn)
```

Description

CH = bwconvhull(BW) computes the convex hull of all objects in BW and returns CH, a binary convex hull image.

CH = bwconvhull(BW,method) specifies the desired method for computing the convex hull image.

CH = bwconvhull(BW,'objects',conn) specifies the desired connectivity used when defining individual foreground objects.

Examples

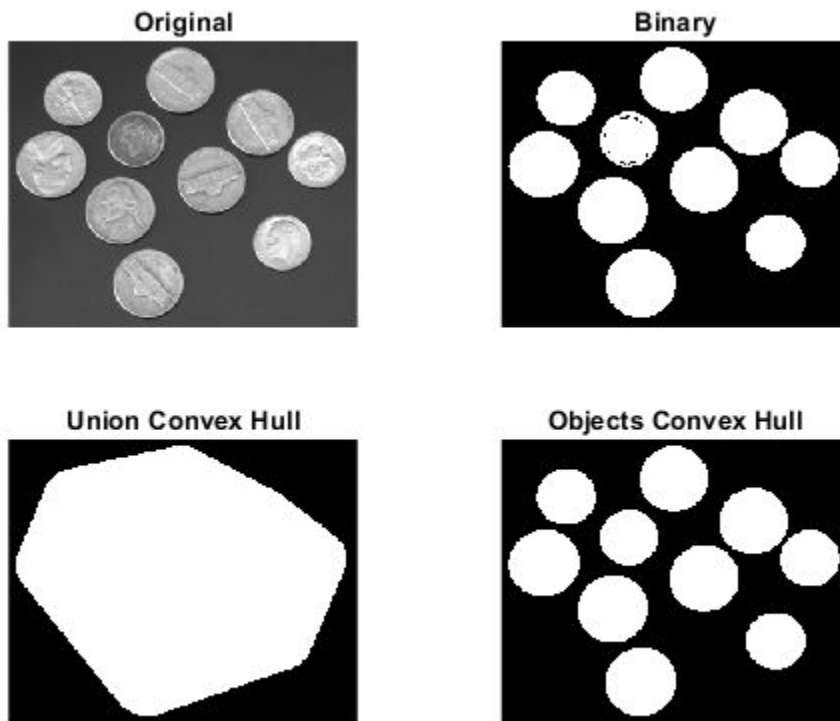
Display Binary Convex Hull of Image

Read a grayscale image into the workspace. Convert it into a binary image and calculate the union binary convex hull. Finally, calculate the objects convex hull and display all the images in one figure window.

```
subplot(2,2,1);
I = imread('coins.png');
imshow(I);
title('Original');

subplot(2,2,2);
```

```
BW = I > 100;  
imshow(BW);  
title('Binary');  
  
subplot(2,2,3);  
CH = bwconvhull(BW);  
imshow(CH);  
title('Union Convex Hull');  
  
subplot(2,2,4);  
CH_objects = bwconvhull(BW, 'objects');  
imshow(CH_objects);  
title('Objects Convex Hull');
```



Input Arguments

BW — Input binary image

2-D logical matrix

Input binary image, specified as a 2-D logical matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

method — Method used to compute the convex hull

'union' (default) | 'objects'

Method used to compute the convex hull, specified as one of the following:

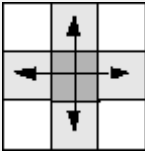
Value	Description
'union'	Compute the convex hull of all foreground objects, treating them as a single object
'objects'	Compute the convex hull of each connected component of BW individually. CH contains the convex hulls of each connected component.

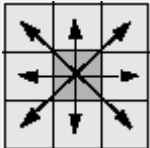
Data Types: `char` | `string`

conn — Pixel connectivity

8 (default) | 4 | 3-by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of these values The conn parameter is only valid when the method is 'objects'.

Value	Meaning
Two-Dimensional Connectivities	
4-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.</p> 

Value	Meaning
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction. 

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way by specifying a 3-by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of conn. The matrix must be symmetric about its center element.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

CH — Binary mask of the convex hull of all foreground objects in the input image

2-D logical matrix

Binary mask of the convex hull of all foreground objects in the input image, returned as a 2-D logical matrix.

See Also

`bwconncomp` | `bwlabel` | `labelmatrix` | `regionprops`

Introduced in R2011a

bwdist

Distance transform of binary image

Syntax

```
D = bwdist(BW)
[D,idx] = bwdist(BW)
[D,idx] = bwdist(BW,method)
```

Description

`D = bwdist(BW)` computes the Euclidean distance transform of the binary image `BW`. For each pixel in `BW`, the distance transform assigns a number that is the distance between that pixel and the nearest nonzero pixel of `BW`.

You optionally can compute the Euclidean distance transform of a 2-D binary image using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`[D,idx] = bwdist(BW)` also computes the closest-pixel map in the form of an index array, `idx`. Each element of `idx` contains the linear index of the nearest nonzero pixel of `BW`. The closest-pixel map is also called the feature map, feature transform, or nearest-neighbor transform.

`[D,idx] = bwdist(BW,method)` computes the distance transform using an alternate distance metric, specified by `method`.

Only the 'euclidean' method is supported on a GPU.

Examples

Compute the Euclidean Distance Transform

This example shows how to compute the Euclidean distance transform of a binary image, and the closest-pixel map of the image.

Create a binary image.

```
bw = zeros(5,5);
bw(2,2) = 1;
bw(4,4) = 1
```

bw = 5x5

```
0 0 0 0 0
0 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 0
0 0 0 0 0
```

Calculate the distance transform.

```
[D,IDX] = bwdist(bw)
```

D = 5x5 single matrix

```
1.4142 1.0000 1.4142 2.2361 3.1623
1.0000 0 1.0000 2.0000 2.2361
1.4142 1.0000 1.4142 1.0000 1.4142
2.2361 2.0000 1.0000 0 1.0000
3.1623 2.2361 1.4142 1.0000 1.4142
```

IDX = 5x5 uint32 matrix

```
7 7 7 7 7
7 7 7 7 19
7 7 7 19 19
7 7 19 19 19
7 19 19 19 19
```

In the nearest-neighbor matrix `IDX` the values 7 and 19 represent the position of the nonzero elements using linear matrix indexing. If a pixel contains a 7, its closest nonzero neighbor is at linear position 7.

Compute Euclidean Distance Transform on a GPU

Create an image.

```
bw = gpuArray.zeros(5,5);  
bw(2,2) = 1;  
bw(4,4) = 1;
```

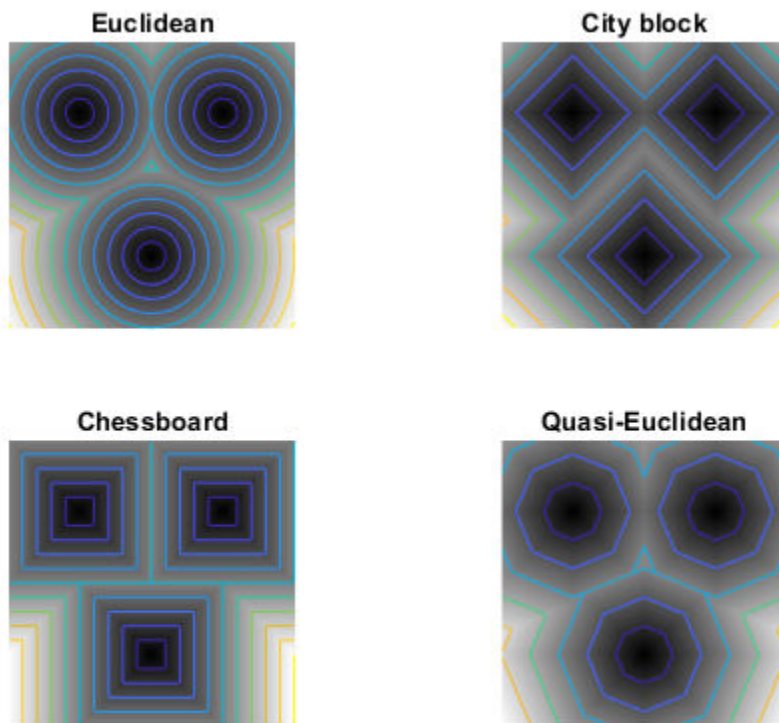
Calculate the distance transform.

```
[D,IDX] = bwdist(bw)
```

Compare 2-D Distance Transforms for Supported Distance Methods

This example shows how to compare the 2-D distance transforms for supported distance methods. In the figure, note how the quasi-Euclidean distance transform best approximates the circular shape achieved by the Euclidean distance method.

```
bw = zeros(200,200);  
bw(50,50) = 1; bw(50,150) = 1; bw(150,100) = 1;  
D1 = bwdist(bw, 'euclidean');  
D2 = bwdist(bw, 'cityblock');  
D3 = bwdist(bw, 'chessboard');  
D4 = bwdist(bw, 'quasi-euclidean');  
RGB1 = repmat(rescale(D1), [1 1 3]);  
RGB2 = repmat(rescale(D2), [1 1 3]);  
RGB3 = repmat(rescale(D3), [1 1 3]);  
RGB4 = repmat(rescale(D4), [1 1 3]);  
  
figure  
subplot(2,2,1), imshow(RGB1), title('Euclidean')  
hold on, imcontour(D1)  
subplot(2,2,2), imshow(RGB2), title('City block')  
hold on, imcontour(D2)  
subplot(2,2,3), imshow(RGB3), title('Chessboard')  
hold on, imcontour(D3)  
subplot(2,2,4), imshow(RGB4), title('Quasi-Euclidean')  
hold on, imcontour(D4)
```



Compare Isosurface Plots for Distance Transforms of 3-D Image

This example shows how to compare isosurface plots for the distance transforms of a 3-D image containing a single nonzero pixel in the center.

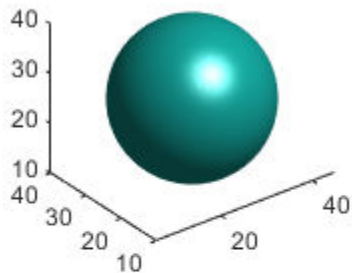
```

bw = zeros(50,50,50); bw(25,25,25) = 1;
D1 = bwdist(bw);
D2 = bwdist(bw, 'cityblock');
D3 = bwdist(bw, 'chessboard');
D4 = bwdist(bw, 'quasi-euclidean');
figure

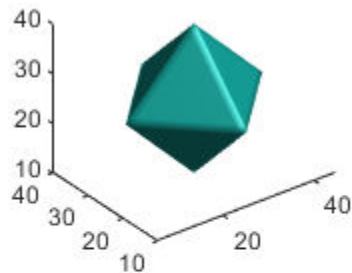
```

```
subplot(2,2,1), isosurface(D1,15), axis equal, view(3)
camlight, lighting gouraud, title('Euclidean')
subplot(2,2,2), isosurface(D2,15), axis equal, view(3)
camlight, lighting gouraud, title('City block')
subplot(2,2,3), isosurface(D3,15), axis equal, view(3)
camlight, lighting gouraud, title('Chessboard')
subplot(2,2,4), isosurface(D4,15), axis equal, view(3)
camlight, lighting gouraud, title('Quasi-Euclidean')
```

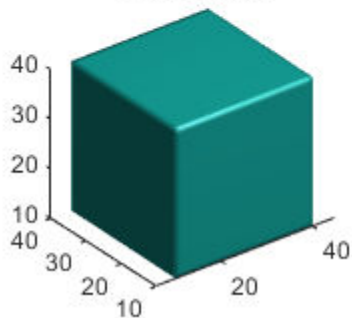
Euclidean



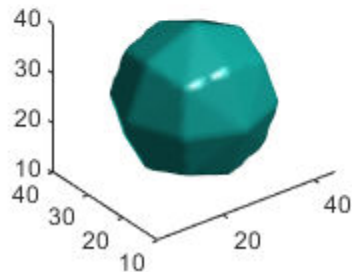
City block



Chessboard



Quasi-Euclidean



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Binary image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (`true`).

To compute the Euclidean distance transform using a GPU, specify BW as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D numeric or logical matrix with fewer than 2^{32} elements.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

method — Distance metric

'euclidean' (default) | 'chessboard' | 'cityblock' | 'quasi-euclidean'

Distance metric, specified as one of the these values.

Method	Description
'chessboard'	In 2-D, the chessboard distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $\max(x_1 - x_2 , y_1 - y_2).$
'cityblock'	In 2-D, the cityblock distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $ x_1 - x_2 + y_1 - y_2 $
'euclidean'	In 2-D, the Euclidean distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $\sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}.$
'quasi-euclidean'	In 2-D, the quasi-Euclidean distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $ x_1 - x_2 + (\sqrt{2} - 1) y_1 - y_2 , x_1 - x_2 > y_1 - y_2 $ $(\sqrt{2} - 1) x_1 - x_2 + y_1 - y_2 , \text{ otherwise.}$

Only the 'euclidean' method is supported on a GPU.

For more information, see “Distance Transform of a Binary Image”.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

D — Distance array

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Distance, returned as a numeric array of the same size as `BW`. The value of each element is the distance between that pixel and the nearest nonzero pixel in `BW`, as defined by the distance metric, `method`.

If the Euclidean distance transform is computed using a GPU, then `D` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a 2-D numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single`

idx — Index array

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Index array, returned as a numeric array of the same size as `BW`. Each element of `idx` contains the linear index of the nearest nonzero pixel of `BW`. The class of `idx` depends on the number of elements in the input image, and is determined as follows.

Class	Range
'uint32'	$\text{numel}(\text{BW}) \leq 2^{32} - 1$
'uint64'	$\text{numel}(\text{BW}) \geq 2^{32}$

If the Euclidean distance transform is computed using a GPU, then `idx` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a 2-D numeric matrix of data type `uint32`.

Data Types: `uint32` | `uint64`

Tips

- `bwdist` uses fast algorithms to compute the true Euclidean distance transform, especially in the 2-D case. The other methods are provided primarily for pedagogical reasons. However, the alternative distance transforms are sometimes significantly faster for multidimensional input images, particularly those that have many nonzero elements.

- The function `bwdist` changed in version 6.4 (R2009b). Previous versions of the Image Processing Toolbox used different algorithms for computing the Euclidean distance transform and the associated label matrix. If you need the same results produced by the previous implementation, use the function `bwdist_old`.

Algorithms

- For Euclidean distance transforms, `bwdist` uses the fast algorithm. [1]
- For cityblock, chessboard, and quasi-Euclidean distance transforms, `bwdist` uses the two-pass, sequential scanning algorithm. [2]
- The different distance measures are achieved by using different sets of weights in the scans, as described in [3].

References

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- [2] Rosenfeld, Azriel and John Pfaltz, "Sequential operations in digital picture processing," *Journal of the Association for Computing Machinery*, Vol. 13, No. 4, 1966, pp. 471-494.
- [3] Paglieroni, David, "Distance Transforms: Properties and Machine Vision Applications," *Computer Vision, Graphics, and Image Processing: Graphical Models and Image Processing*, Vol. 54, No. 1, January 1992, pp. 57-58.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwdist` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `bwdist` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the optional second input argument, `method`, must be a compile-time constant. Input images must have fewer than 2^{32} pixels.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- Input images must be 2-D and have less than 2^{32} elements.
- Euclidean is the only distance metric supported.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`bwulterode` | `watershed`

Topics

“Distance Transform of a Binary Image”

Introduced before R2006a

bwdistgeodesic

Geodesic distance transform of binary image

Syntax

```
D = bwdistgeodesic(BW,mask)
D = bwdistgeodesic(BW,C,R)
D = bwdistgeodesic(BW,idx)
D = bwdistgeodesic( ____,method)
```

Description

`D = bwdistgeodesic(BW,mask)` computes the geodesic distance transform, given the binary image `BW` and the seed locations specified by `mask`. Regions where `BW` is `true` represent valid regions that can be traversed in the computation of the distance transform. Regions where `BW` is `false` represent constrained regions that cannot be traversed in the distance computation. For each `true` pixel in `BW`, the geodesic distance transform assigns a number that is the constrained distance between that pixel and the nearest `true` pixel in `mask`. Output matrix `D` contains geodesic distances.

`D = bwdistgeodesic(BW,C,R)` computes the geodesic distance transform of the binary image `BW`. Vectors `C` and `R` contain the column and row coordinates of the seed locations.

`D = bwdistgeodesic(BW,idx)` computes the geodesic distance transform of the binary image `BW`. `idx` is a vector of linear indices of seed locations.

`D = bwdistgeodesic(____,method)` computes the geodesic distance transform using an alternate distance metric, specified by `method`.

Examples

Compute Geodesic Distance Transformation of Binary Image

Create a sample binary image for this example.

```
BW = [1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1;...
      1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 1;...
      1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 1;...
      1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 1;...
      0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 0;...
      0 0 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 0;...
      0 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 0 0;...
      0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 0;...
      0 1 1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0;...
      0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0];
BW = logical(BW);
```

Create two vectors of seed locations.

```
C = [1 2 3 3 3];
R = [3 3 3 1 2];
```

Calculate the geodesic distance transform. Output pixels for which `BW` is false have undefined geodesic distance and contain `NaN` values. Because there is no connected path from the seed locations to element `BW(10,5)`, the output `D(10,5)` has a value of `Inf`.

```
D = bwdistgeodesic(BW,C,R)
```

D = 10x10 single matrix

2	1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	1	0	1	2	3	NaN	NaN	6	7
0	0	0	1	2	3	NaN	NaN	7	7
1	1	1	1	2	3	NaN	NaN	8	8
NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	3	NaN	NaN	9	NaN
NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	4	4	NaN	10	10	NaN
NaN	8	NaN	NaN	5	5	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN
NaN	8	7	6	6	6	6	NaN	8	NaN
NaN	8	7	NaN	NaN	NaN	7	7	8	NaN
NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	Inf	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN	NaN

Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array of any dimension

Binary image, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array of any dimension. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be on.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

mask — Seed locations

logical array

Seed locations, specified as a logical array of the same size as **BW**.

C, R — Column or row coordinates of seed locations

vector of positive integers

Column or row coordinates of seed locations, specified as a vector of positive integers. Coordinate values are valid C,R subscripts in **BW**.

idx — Linear indices of seed locations

vector of positive integers

Linear indices of seed locations, specified as a vector of positive integers.

method — Distance metric

'chessboard' (default) | 'cityblock' | 'quasi-euclidean'

Distance metric, specified as one of the following.

Method	Description
'chessboard'	In 2-D, the chessboard distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $\max(\text{abs}(x_1 - x_2), \text{abs}(y_1 - y_2))$
'cityblock'	In 2-D, the cityblock distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $\text{abs}(x_1 - x_2) + \text{abs}(y_1 - y_2)$

Method	Description
'quasi-euclidean'	In 2-D, the quasi-Euclidean distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $ x_1 - x_2 + (\sqrt{2} - 1) y_1 - y_2 $, $ x_1 - x_2 > y_1 - y_2 $ $(\sqrt{2} - 1) x_1 - x_2 + y_1 - y_2 $, otherwise.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

D — Geodesic distances

numeric array

Geodesic distances, returned as a numeric array of the same size as **BW**.

Data Types: single

Algorithms

`bwdistgeodesic` uses the geodesic distance algorithm described in Soille, P., *Morphological Image Analysis: Principles and Applications, 2nd Edition*, Secaucus, NJ, Springer-Verlag, 2003, pp. 219-221.

See Also

`bwdist` | `graydist`

Introduced in R2011b

bweuler

Euler number of binary image

Syntax

```
eul = bweuler(BW,conn)
```

Description

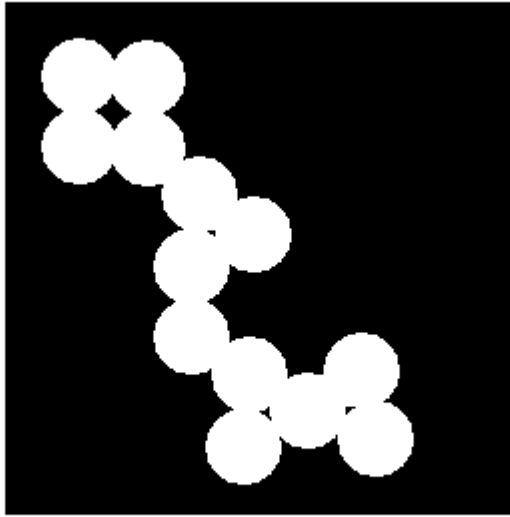
`eul = bweuler(BW,conn)` returns the Euler number for the binary image `BW`. The Euler number is the total number of objects in the image minus the total number of holes in those objects. `conn` specifies the connectivity. Objects are connected sets of on pixels, that is, pixels having a value of 1.

Examples

Calculate Euler Number for Binary Image

Read binary image into workspace, and display it.

```
BW = imread('circles.png');  
imshow(BW)
```



Calculate the Euler number. In this example, all the circles touch so they create one object. The object contains four "holes", which are the black areas created by the touching circles. Thus the Euler number is 1 minus 4, or -3.

```
bweuler(BW)
```

```
ans = -3
```

Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

2-D real, nonsparse, numeric or logical matrix

Binary image, specified as a 2-D, real, nonsparse, numeric or logical matrix. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be on.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Connectivity

8 (default) | 4

Connectivity, specified as the values **4**, for 4-connected objects, or **8**, for 8-connected objects.

Example: `BW = imread('text.png'); L = bweuler(BW,4);`

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

eu1 — Euler number

numeric scalar

Euler number, returned as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

`bweuler` computes the Euler number by considering patterns of convexity and concavity in local 2-by-2 neighborhoods. See [2] on page 1-201 for a discussion of the algorithm used.

References

- [1] Horn, Berthold P. K., *Robot Vision*, New York, McGraw-Hill, 1986, pp. 73-77.
- [2] Pratt, William K., *Digital Image Processing*, New York, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1991, p. 633.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

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Usage notes and limitations:

- `bweuler` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `bweuler` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

See Also

`bwmorph` | `bwperim`

Introduced before R2006a

bwferet

Measure Feret properties

Syntax

```
out = bwferet(BW,properties)
out = bwferet(CC,properties)
out = bwferet(L,properties)
out = bwferet(input)
[out,LM] = bwferet( ___ )
```

Description

`out = bwferet(BW,properties)` measures the Feret properties of objects in an image and returns the measurements in a table. The input `properties` specifies the Feret properties to be measured for each object in input binary image `BW`. The measured Feret properties include the minimum and maximum Feret diameters, Feret angles, and endpoint coordinates of Feret diameters.

`out = bwferet(CC,properties)` measures the Feret properties of objects in an image and returns the measurements in a table. The input `properties` specifies the Feret properties to be measured for each connected component in the input `CC`. The measured Feret properties include the minimum and the maximum Feret diameters, Feret angles, and endpoint coordinates of Feret diameters.

`out = bwferet(L,properties)` measures the Feret properties of objects in an image and returns the measurements in a table. The input `properties` specifies the Feret properties to be measured for each object in the input label matrix `L`. The measured Feret properties include the minimum and the maximum Feret diameter, Feret angles, and endpoint coordinates of Feret diameters.

`out = bwferet(input)` measures the maximum Feret diameter, its relative angle, and coordinate values measured from the `input`. The function returns the measurements in a table. The `input` can be binary image `BW`, connected component `CC`, or label matrix `L`.

`[out,LM] = bwferet(___)` also returns a label matrix containing label values that represent the row indices of the table `out`. You can use any of the input arguments from

previous syntaxes. Each row entry in `out` corresponds to a labeled region (object) in label matrix `LM`.

Examples

Measure Feret Properties of Objects in Binary Image

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('toyobjects.png');
```

Convert the image into a binary image.

```
bw = imbinarize(I,'adaptive');
```

Extract the first two largest objects from the binary image.

```
bw = bwareafilt(bw,2);
```

Fill holes in the extracted object regions.

```
bw = imfill(bw,'holes');
```

Calculate the minimum Feret properties and the label matrix of the extracted objects.

```
[out,LM] = bwferet(bw,'MinFeretProperties');
```

Get the maximum number of objects in the output label matrix.

```
maxLabel = max(LM(:));
```

Display the output containing the table of minimum Feret properties.

```
out
```

```
out=2x3 table
   MinDiameter   MinAngle   MinCoordinates
   _____   _____   _____
         116.23         99.462   {2x2 double}
         132.08        -159.27   {2x2 double}
```

Display the minimum Feret properties of the object with label-value 1 from the output label matrix.

```
out.MinDiameter(1)
ans = 116.2301
out.MinAngle(1)
ans = 99.4623
out.MinCoordinates{1}
ans = 2x2
    120.5000  311.5000
    139.6081  196.8514
```

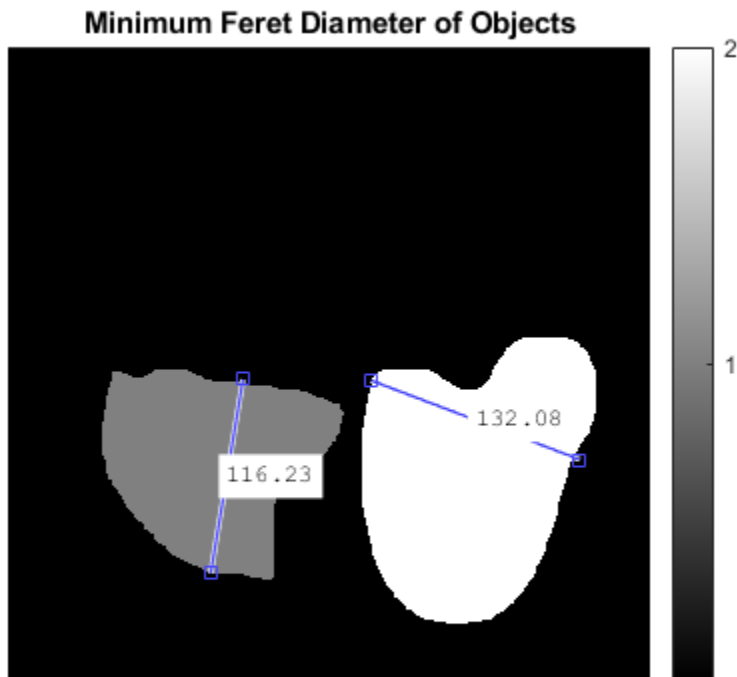
Display the minimum Feret properties of the object with label-value 2 from the output label matrix.

```
out.MinDiameter(2)
ans = 132.0776
out.MinAngle(2)
ans = -159.2744
out.MinCoordinates{2}
ans = 2x2
    215.5000  197.5000
    339.0304  244.2412
```

Display the output label matrix. Plot the endpoint coordinates and minimum Feret diameter of objects with different label values from the output label matrix.

```
h = imshow(LM, []);
axis = h.Parent;
for labelvalues = 1:maxLabel
    xmin = [out.MinCoordinates{labelvalues}(1,1) out.MinCoordinates{labelvalues}(2,1)]
    ymin = [out.MinCoordinates{labelvalues}(1,2) out.MinCoordinates{labelvalues}(2,2)]
```

```
    imdistline(axis,xmin,ymin);  
end  
title(axis,'Minimum Feret Diameter of Objects');  
colorbar('Ticks',1:maxLabel)
```



Measure Feret Properties of Connected Components

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('toyobjects.png');
```

Convert the image into a binary image.

```
bw = imbinarize(I, 'adaptive');
```

Fill holes in the object regions of the input binary image.

```
bw = imfill(bw, 'holes');
```

Use the `bwconncomp` function to generate connected components from the resulting image.

```
cc = bwconncomp(bw);
```

Measure the maximum Feret properties of the connected components.

```
[out, LM] = bwferet(cc, 'MaxFeretProperties');
```

Get the maximum number of objects in the output label matrix.

```
maxLabel = max(LM(:));
```

Inspect the table to verify the measured maximum Feret properties.

out

```
out=4x3 table
   MaxDiameter   MaxAngle   MaxCoordinates
   _____   _____   _____
         162.6         -175.06   {2x2 double}
         156.21        -127.46   {2x2 double}
         187.96         121.07   {2x2 double}
          63.781        -131.19   {2x2 double}
```

Display the maximum Feret diameters of objects with different label values from output label matrix.

```
out.MaxDiameter(1:maxLabel)
```

```
ans = 4x1
```

```
162.6038
156.2082
```

```
187.9628
63.7809
```

Display the directional angles of the maximum Feret diameters specific to objects with different label values from output label matrix.

```
out.MaxAngle(1:maxLabel)
```

```
ans = 4×1

-175.0608
-127.4568
 121.0683
-131.1859
```

Display the endpoint coordinates of the maximum Feret diameters specific to objects with different label values from output label matrix.

```
out.MaxCoordinates{1:maxLabel}
```

```
ans = 2×2

186.5000 113.5000
 24.5000  99.5000
```

```
ans = 2×2

156.5000 315.5000
 61.5000 191.5000
```

```
ans = 2×2

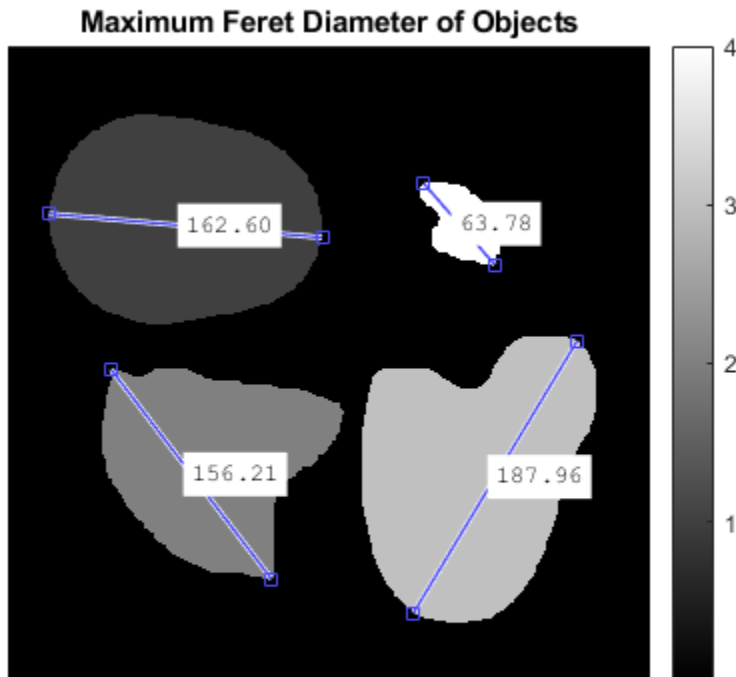
337.5000 174.5000
240.5000 335.5000
```

```
ans = 2×2

288.5000 129.5000
246.5000  81.5000
```

Display the output label matrix. Plot the endpoint coordinates and the maximum Feret diameter of objects with different label values from output label matrix.

```
h = imshow(LM, []);  
axis = h.Parent;  
for labelvalues = 1:maxLabel  
    xmax = [out.MaxCoordinates{labelvalues}(1,1) out.MaxCoordinates{labelvalues}(2,1)]  
    ymax = [out.MaxCoordinates{labelvalues}(1,2) out.MaxCoordinates{labelvalues}(2,2)]  
    imdistline(axis, xmax, ymax);  
end  
title(axis, 'Maximum Feret Diameter of Objects');  
colorbar('Ticks', 1:maxLabel)
```



Input Arguments

BW — Input binary image

numeric matrix | logical matrix

Input binary image, specified as a logical or numeric matrix. **BW** must be a binary image where nonzero pixels correspond to an object and zero-valued pixels correspond to the background.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

CC — Connected components

structure

Connected components, specified as a structure with the four fields shown in this table.

Field	Description
Connectivity	Connectivity of the connected components (objects)
ImageSize	Size of input binary image
NumObjects	Number of connected components (objects) in the input binary image
PixelIdxList	1-by-NumObjects cell array, where the k th element is a vector containing the linear indices of the pixels in the k th object

You can use the `bwconncomp` function to generate connected components from a binary image.

Data Types: `struct`

L — Label matrix

matrix of nonnegative integers

Label matrix of contiguous regions, specified as a matrix of nonnegative integers. The pixels labeled 0 are the background. The pixels labeled 1 make up one object; the pixels labeled 2 make up a second object; and so on. The number of objects represented by L is equal to the maximum value of L. You can use the `bwlabel` function to generate label matrix from a binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

properties — Label for Feret properties

`MaxFeretProperties` | `MinFeretProperties` | `all`

Label for Feret properties, specified as `MaxFeretProperties`, `MinFeretProperties`, or `all`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

input — Generic input

numeric matrix | logical matrix | structure | matrix of nonnegative integers

Generic input, specified as one of these values:

- Numeric matrix or logical matrix — When `input` is a binary image, `BW`.
- Structure — When `input` is the connected component, `CC`.
- Matrix of nonnegative integers — When `input` is the label matrix, `L`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical` | `struct`

Output Arguments

out — Table of Feret properties*m*-by-*n* table

Table of Feret properties, returned as an *m*-by-*n* table. *m* is the number of objects for which the Feret properties are measured. *n* is 3 or 6, depending on the `properties` input.

- If `properties` is `'MaxFeretProperties'`, then the table `out` is of size *m*-by-3 with columns `MaxDiameter`, `MaxAngle`, and `MaxCoordinates`.
- If `properties` is `'MinFeretProperties'`, then the table `out` is of size *m*-by-3 with columns `MinDiameter`, `MinAngle`, and `MinCoordinates`.
- If `properties` is `'all'`, then the table `out` is of size *m*-by-6 with all columns listed in this table.

Column Name	Description
<code>MaxDiameter</code>	Maximum Feret diameter of an object, measured as the maximum distance between any two boundary points on the antipodal vertices of the convex hull that encloses that object
<code>MaxAngle</code>	Directional angle of the maximum Feret diameter with respect to the horizontal axis of the image. The value, in degrees, is in the range $[-180^\circ, 180^\circ]$

Column Name	Description
MaxCoordinates	Endpoint coordinates of the maximum Feret diameter, returned in the form $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \end{bmatrix}$
MinDiameter	Minimum Feret diameter of an object, measured as the minimum distance between any two boundary points on the antipodal vertices of the convex hull that encloses that object
MinAngle	Directional angle of the minimum Feret diameter with respect to the horizontal axis of the image. The value, in degrees, is in the range $[-180^\circ, 180^\circ]$
MinCoordinates	Endpoint coordinates of the minimum Feret diameter, returned in the form $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \end{bmatrix}$

LM — Output label matrix

matrix of nonnegative integers

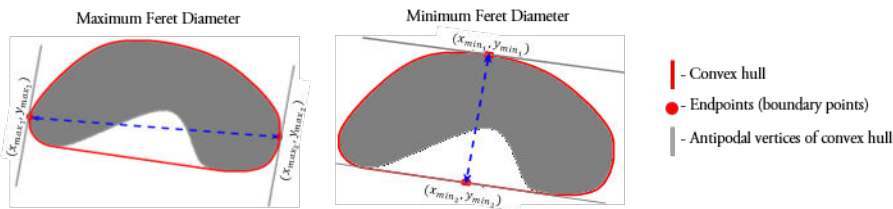
Output label matrix of contiguous regions, specified as a matrix of nonnegative integers. The pixels labeled 0 are the background. The pixels labeled 1 make up one object; the pixels labeled 2 make up a second object; and so on. The Feret properties in the k th row entry of `out` correspond to the k th region (object) in LM that have the value k . The number of objects represented by LM is equal to the maximum value of LM.

Note If the input to `bwferet` is a label matrix, then the output label matrix LM is same as the input label matrix.

Data Types: uint8

Algorithms

The Feret properties of an object are measured by using boundary points on the antipodal vertices of the convex hull that encloses that object.



Given the endpoint coordinates of the maximum (or minimum) Feret diameter, $\begin{bmatrix} x_1 & y_1 \\ x_2 & y_2 \end{bmatrix}$,
the maximum (or minimum) Feret angle is measured as $angle = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}\right)$.

See Also

`bwconncomp` | `bwlabel` | `bwlabeln` | `labelmatrix` | `regionprops`

Introduced in R2019a

bwhitmiss

Binary hit-miss operation

Syntax

```
BW2 = bwhitmiss(BW,SE1,SE2)
BW2 = bwhitmiss(BW,interval)
```

Description

`BW2 = bwhitmiss(BW,SE1,SE2)` performs the hit-miss operation defined by the structuring elements `SE1` and `SE2`. The hit-miss operation preserves pixels in binary image `BW` whose neighborhoods match the shape of `SE1` and don't match the shape of `SE2`.

This syntax is equivalent to `imerode(BW,SE1) & imerode(~BW,SE2)`.

`BW2 = bwhitmiss(BW,interval)` performs the hit-miss operation defined in terms of a single array, called an *interval*. An interval is an array whose elements are 1, 0, or -1. The 1-valued elements make up the domain of `SE1`, the -1-valued elements make up the domain of `SE2`, and the 0-valued elements are ignored.

This syntax is equivalent to `bwhitmiss(BW,interval==1,interval==-1)`.

Examples

Perform Hit-miss Operation on Binary Image

Create sample binary image for this example.

```
bw = [0 0 0 0 0 0
      0 0 1 1 0 0
      0 1 1 1 1 0
      0 1 1 1 1 0]
```

```
0 0 1 1 0 0
0 0 1 0 0 0]
```

`bw = 6×6`

```
0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 1 1 0 0
0 1 1 1 1 0
0 1 1 1 1 0
0 0 1 1 0 0
0 0 1 0 0 0
```

Define an interval.

```
interval = [0 -1 -1
            1 1 -1
            0 1 0];
```

Perform hit-miss operation.

```
bw2 = bwhitmiss(bw,interval)
```

`bw2 = 6×6 logical array`

```
0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 0 0
0 0 0 0 1 0
0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

numeric array | logical array

Binary image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (true).

SE1, SE2 — Structuring element

`strel` object | numeric array

Flat structuring element, specified as a `strel` object or a numeric matrix with values of 1 and 0. The neighborhoods of SE1 and SE2 should not have overlapping elements.

interval — Interval

numeric array

Interval, specified as a numeric array with values of 1, 0, and -1.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

Output Arguments

BW2 — Processed binary image

logical array

Processed binary image after the hit-miss operation, specified as a logical array of the same size as `BW`.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

`imdilate` | `imerode` | `strel`

Introduced before R2006a

bwlabel

Label connected components in 2-D binary image

Syntax

```
L = bwlabel(BW)
L = bwlabel(BW,conn)
[L,n] = bwlabel( ___ )
```

Description

`L = bwlabel(BW)` returns the label matrix `L` that contains labels for the 8-connected objects found in `BW`.

You optionally can label connected components in a 2-D binary image using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`L = bwlabel(BW,conn)` returns a label matrix, where `conn` specifies the connectivity.

`[L,n] = bwlabel(___)` also returns `n`, the number of connected objects found in `BW`.

Examples

Label Components Using 4-connected Objects

Create a small binary image.

```
BW = logical ([1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0
              1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0
              1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0
              1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0
              1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0
              1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0])
```



```

        1   1   1   0   0   1   1   0
        1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0]);

```

Create the label matrix using 4-connected objects.

```
L = bwlabel(BW,4)
```

```
L = 8x8
```

```

    1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0
    1   1   1   0   2   2   0   0
    1   1   1   0   2   2   0   0
    1   1   1   0   0   0   3   0
    1   1   1   0   0   0   3   0
    1   1   1   0   0   0   3   0
    1   1   1   0   0   3   3   0
    1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0

```

Use the `find` command to get the row and column coordinates of the object labeled "2".

```
[r, c] = find(L==2);
```

```
rc = [r c]
```

```
rc = 4x2
```

```

    2   5
    3   5
    2   6
    3   6

```

Label Components Using 4-connected Objects on a GPU

Create a small binary image and create a `gpuArray` object to contain it.

```

BW = gpuArray(logical([1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0
                       1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0
                       1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0
                       1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0
                       1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0
                       1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0

```

```

1 1 1 0 0 1 1 0
1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0]);

```

Create the label matrix using 4-connected objects.

```
L = bwlabel(BW,4)
```

Use the `find` command to get the row and column coordinates of the object labeled "2".

```
[r,c] = find(L == 2)
```

Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix | `gpuArray`

Binary image, specified as a 2-D numeric or logical matrix. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be on.

To label connected components using a GPU, specify `BW` as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D numeric or logical matrix.

Example: `BW = imread('text.png');`

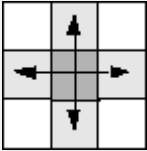
Example: `BW = gpuArray(imread('text.png'));`

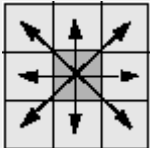
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

8 (default) | 4

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of these values.

Value	Meaning
Two-Dimensional Connectivities	
4-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.</p> 

Value	Meaning
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction. 

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

matrix of nonnegative integers | `gpuArray`

Label matrix of contiguous regions, returned as matrix of nonnegative integers with the same size as `BW`. The pixels labeled 0 are the background. The pixels labeled 1 make up one object; the pixels labeled 2 make up a second object; and so on.

If connected components are labeled using a GPU, then L is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a matrix of nonnegative integers.

Data Types: `double`

n — Number of connected objects

nonnegative integer

Number of connected objects in `BW`, returned as a nonnegative integer.

Data Types: `double`

Tips

- The functions `bwlabel`, `bwlabeln`, and `bwconncomp` all compute connected components for binary images. `bwconncomp` replaces the use of `bwlabel` and `bwlabeln`. It uses significantly less memory and is sometimes faster than the other functions.

	Input Dimension	Output Form	Memory Use	Connectivity
<code>bwlabel</code>	2-D	Double-precision label matrix	High	4 or 8
<code>bwlabeln</code>	N-D	Double-precision label matrix	High	Any
<code>bwconncomp</code>	N-D	CC struct	Low	Any

- You can use the MATLAB `find` function in conjunction with `bwlabel` to return vectors of indices for the pixels that make up a specific object. For example, to return the coordinates for the pixels in object 2, enter the following:

```
[r,c] = find(bwlabel(BW)==2)
```

You can display the output matrix as a pseudocolor indexed image. Each object appears in a different color, so the objects are easier to distinguish than in the original image. For more information, see `label2rgb`.

- To compute a label matrix having a more memory-efficient data type (e.g., `uint8` versus `double`), use the `labelmatrix` function on the output of `bwconncomp`.
- To extract features from a binary image using `regionprops` with default connectivity, just pass `BW` directly into `regionprops` by using the command `regionprops(BW)`.
- The `bwlabel` function can take advantage of hardware optimization for data types `logical`, `uint8`, and `single` to run faster. Hardware optimization requires `marker` and `mask` to be 2-D images and `conn` to be either 4 or 8.

Algorithms

`bwlabel` uses the general procedure outlined in reference [1], pp. 40-48:

- 1 Run-length encode the input image.
- 2 Scan the runs, assigning preliminary labels and recording label equivalences in a local equivalence table.
- 3 Resolve the equivalence classes.
- 4 Relabel the runs based on the resolved equivalence classes.

References

[1] Haralick, Robert M., and Linda G. Shapiro, *Computer and Robot Vision, Volume I*, Addison-Wesley, 1992, pp. 28-48.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwlabel` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, the parameter `n` must be a compile-time constant.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`bwconncomp` | `bwlabeln` | `bwselect` | `label2rgb` | `labelmatrix` | `regionprops`

Introduced before R2006a

bwlabeln

Label connected components in binary image

Syntax

```
L = bwlabeln(BW)
L = bwlabeln(BW,conn)
[L,n] = bwlabeln( ___ )
```

Description

`L = bwlabeln(BW)` returns a label matrix, `L`, containing labels for the connected components in `BW`.

`L = bwlabeln(BW, conn)` returns a label matrix, where `conn` specifies the connectivity.

`[L,n] = bwlabeln(___)` also returns `n`, the number of connected objects found in `BW`.

Examples

Calculate Centroids of 3-D Objects

Create simple sample 3-D binary image.

```
BW = cat(3, [1 1 0; 0 0 0; 1 0 0],...
           [0 1 0; 0 0 0; 0 1 0],...
           [0 1 1; 0 0 0; 0 0 1])
```

```
BW =
BW(:,:,1) =
```

```
    1    1    0
    0    0    0
    1    0    0
```

```
BW(:,:,2) =
```

```
    0    1    0
    0    0    0
    0    1    0
```

```
BW(:,:,3) =
```

```
    0    1    1
    0    0    0
    0    0    1
```

Label connected components in the image.

```
bwlabeln(BW)
```

```
ans =
```

```
ans(:,:,1) =
```

```
    1    1    0
    0    0    0
    2    0    0
```

```
ans(:,:,2) =
```

```
    0    1    0
    0    0    0
    0    2    0
```

```
ans(:,:,3) =
```

```
    0    1    1
    0    0    0
    0    0    2
```

Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

numeric array | logical array

Binary image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be on.

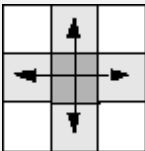
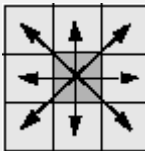
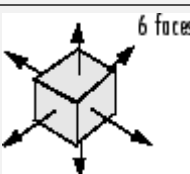
Example: `BW = imread('text.png');`

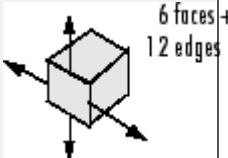
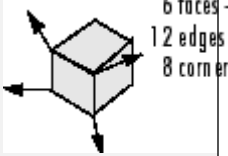
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	

Value	Meaning	
18-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	

For higher dimensions, `bwlabeledn` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(BW), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

array of nonnegative integers

Label matrix, returned as an array of nonnegative integers with the same size as `BW`. The pixels labeled 0 are the background. The pixels labeled 1 make up one object; the pixels labeled 2 make up a second object; and so on.

Data Types: `double`

L — Label matrix

2-D array of nonnegative integers

Label matrix of contiguous regions, returned as a 2-D array of nonnegative integers of class `double`. The k th region includes all elements in `L` that have value k . The number of objects and holes represented by `L` is equal to $\max(L(:))$. The zero-valued elements of `L` make up the background.

Data Types: `double`

n — Number of connected objects

nonnegative integer

Number of connected objects in `BW`, returned as a nonnegative integer.

Data Types: `double`

Tips

- The functions `bwlabel`, `bwlabeln`, and `bwconncomp` all compute connected components for binary images. `bwconncomp` replaces the use of `bwlabel` and `bwlabeln`. It uses significantly less memory and is sometimes faster than the other functions.

Function	Input Dimension	Output Form	Memory Use	Connectivity
<code>bwlabel</code>	2-D	Label matrix with double-precision	High	4 or 8
<code>bwlabeln</code>	N-D	Double-precision label matrix	High	Any
<code>bwconncomp</code>	N-D	CC struct	Low	Any

- To extract features from a binary image using `regionprops` with default connectivity, just pass `BW` directly into `regionprops`, i.e. `regionprops(BW)`.
- To compute a label matrix having a more memory-efficient data type (e.g., `uint8` versus `double`), use the `labelmatrix` function on the output of `bwconncomp`:

```
C = bwconncomp(BW);  
L = labelmatrix(CC);  
  
CC = bwconncomp(BW,n);  
S = regionprops(CC);
```

Algorithms

bwlabeln uses the following general procedure:

- 1 Scan all image pixels, assigning preliminary labels to nonzero pixels and recording label equivalences in a union-find table.
- 2 Resolve the equivalence classes using the union-find algorithm [1].
- 3 Relabel the pixels based on the resolved equivalence classes.

References

[1] Sedgewick, Robert, *Algorithms in C*, 3rd Ed., Addison-Wesley, 1998, pp. 11-20.

See Also

[bwconncomp](#) | [bwlabel](#) | [label2rgb](#) | [labelmatrix](#) | [regionprops](#)

Introduced before R2006a

bwlookup

Nonlinear filtering using lookup tables

Syntax

```
J = bwlookup(BW,lut)
```

Description

`J = bwlookup(BW,lut)` performs a 2-by-2 or 3-by-3 nonlinear neighborhood filtering operation on binary or grayscale image `I` and returns the results in output image `J`. The neighborhood processing determines an integer index value used to access values in lookup table `lut`. The fetched `lut` value becomes the pixel value in output image `J` at the targeted position.

You optionally can perform the filtering using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

Examples

Perform Erosion Along Edges of Binary Image

Construct the vector `lut` such that the filtering operation places a 1 at the targeted pixel location in the input image only when all four pixels in the 2-by-2 neighborhood of `BW` are set to 1.

```
lutfun = @(x)(sum(x(:))==4);  
lut = makelut(lutfun,2)
```

```
lut = 16×1
```

```
0  
0  
0
```

```
0
0
0
0
0
0
0
:
```

Load a binary image.

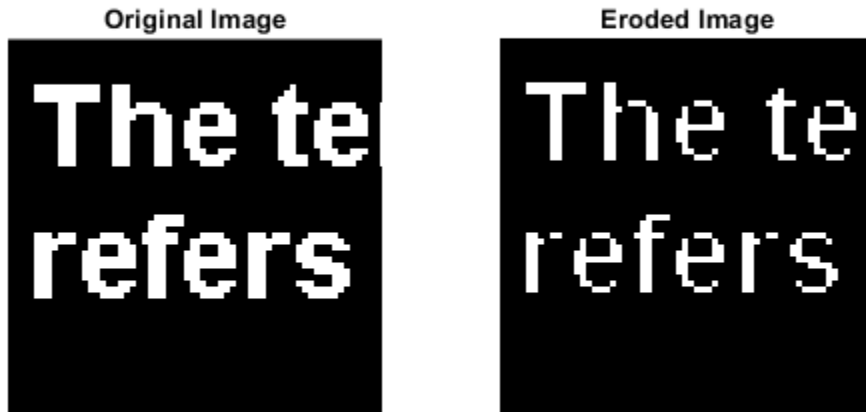
```
BW1 = imread('text.png');
```

Perform 2-by-2 neighborhood processing with 16-element vector `lut`.

```
BW2 = bwlookup(BW1,lut);
```

Show zoomed before and after images.

```
figure;
h1 = subplot(1,2,1); imshow(BW1), axis off; title('Original Image')
h2 = subplot(1,2,2); imshow(BW2); axis off; title('Eroded Image')
% 16X zoom to see effects of erosion on text
set(h1,'Ylim',[1 64],'Xlim',[1 64]);
set(h2,'Ylim',[1 64],'Xlim',[1 64]);
```



Input Arguments

BW — Input image

binary image

Input image transformed by nonlinear neighborhood filtering operation, specified as a binary image. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (true).

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

lut — Lookup table of output pixel values

16-element vector | 512-element vector

Lookup table of output pixel values, specified as a 16- or 512-element vector. The size of `lut` determines which of the two neighborhood operations is performed.

- If `lut` contains 16 data elements, then the neighborhood matrix is 2-by-2.
- If `lut` contains 512 data elements, then the neighborhood matrix is 3-by-3.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Output image

binary image | grayscale image

Output image, returned as a grayscale or binary image whose distribution of pixel values are determined by the content of the lookup table, `lut`. The output image `J` is the same size as the input image `I` and the same data type as `lut`.

Algorithms

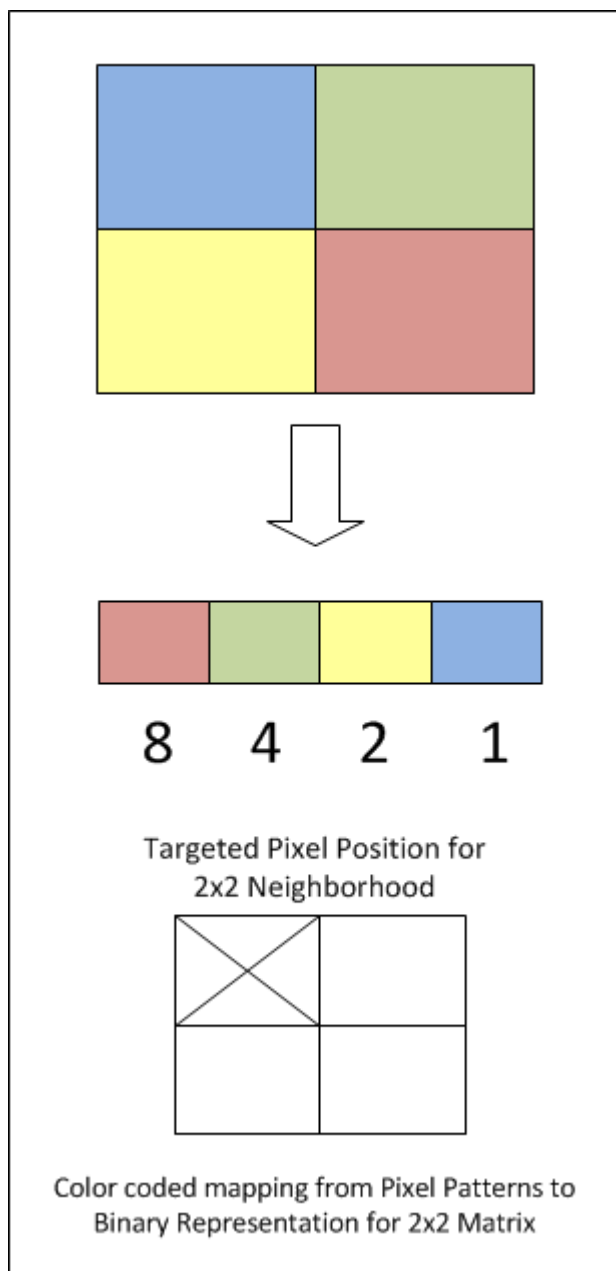
The first step in each iteration of the filtering operation performed by `bwlookup` entails computing the `index` into vector `lut` based on the binary pixel pattern of the neighborhood matrix on image `I`. The value in `lut` accessed at `index`, `lut(index)`, is inserted into output image `J` at the targeted pixel location. This results in image `J` being the same data type as vector `lut`.

Since there is a 1-to-1 correspondence in targeted pixel locations, image `J` is the same size as image `I`. If the targeted pixel location is on an edge of image `I` and if any part of the 2-by-2 or 3-by-3 neighborhood matrix extends beyond the image edge, then these non-image locations are padded with 0 in order to perform the filtering operation.

The following figures show the mapping from binary 0 and 1 patterns in the neighborhood matrices to its binary representation. Adding 1 to the binary representation yields `index` which is used to access `lut`.

2-by-2 Neighborhood Lookup

For 2-by-2 neighborhoods, `length(lut)` is 16. There are four pixels in each neighborhood, and two possible states for each pixel, so the total number of permutations is $2^4 = 16$.



To illustrate, this example shows how the pixel pattern in a 2-by-2 matrix determines which entry in `lut` is placed in the targeted pixel location.

- 1 Create random 16-element `lut` vector containing `uint8` data.

```
scurr = rng;           % save current random number generator seed state
rng('default')        % always generate same set of random numbers
lut = uint8( round( 255*rand(16,1) ) ) % generate lut
rng(scurr);           % restore
```

```
lut =
```

```
208
231
 32
233
161
 25
 71
139
244
246
 40
248
244
124
204
 36
```

- 2 Create a 2-by-2 image and assume for this example that the targeted pixel location is location `I(1,1)`.

```
I = [1 0; 0 1]
```

```
I =
```

```
 1    0
 0    1
```

- 3 By referring to the color coded mapping figure above, the binary representation for this 2-by-2 neighborhood can be computed as shown in the code snippet below. The logical 1 at `I(1,1)` corresponds to blue in the figure which maps to the Least Significant Bit (LSB) at position 0 in the 4-bit binary representation ($2^0=1$). The logical 1 at `I(2,2)` is red which maps to the Most Significant Bit (MSB) at position 3 in the 4-bit binary representation ($2^3=8$).

```

% I(1,1): blue square; sets bit position 0 on right
% I(2,2): red square; sets bit position 3 on left
binNot = '1 0 0 1';           % binary representation of 2x2 neighborhood matrix

X = bin2dec( binNot );       % convert from binary to decimal
index = X + 1                % add 1 to compute index value for uint8 vector lut
A11 = lut(index)             % value at A(1,1)

```

```
index =
```

```
    10
```

```
A11 =
```

```
    246
```

- 4 The above calculation predicts that output image A should contain the value 246 at targeted position A(1,1).

```
A = bwlookup(I,lut) % perform filtering
```

```
A =
```

```
    246    32
    161    231
```

A(1,1) does in fact equal 246.

3-by-3 Neighborhood Lookup

For 3-by-3 neighborhoods, `length(lut)` is 512. There are nine pixels in each neighborhood, and two possible states for each pixel, so the total number of permutations is $2^9 = 512$.

The process for computing the binary representation of 3-by-3 neighborhood processing is the same as for 2-by-2 neighborhoods.

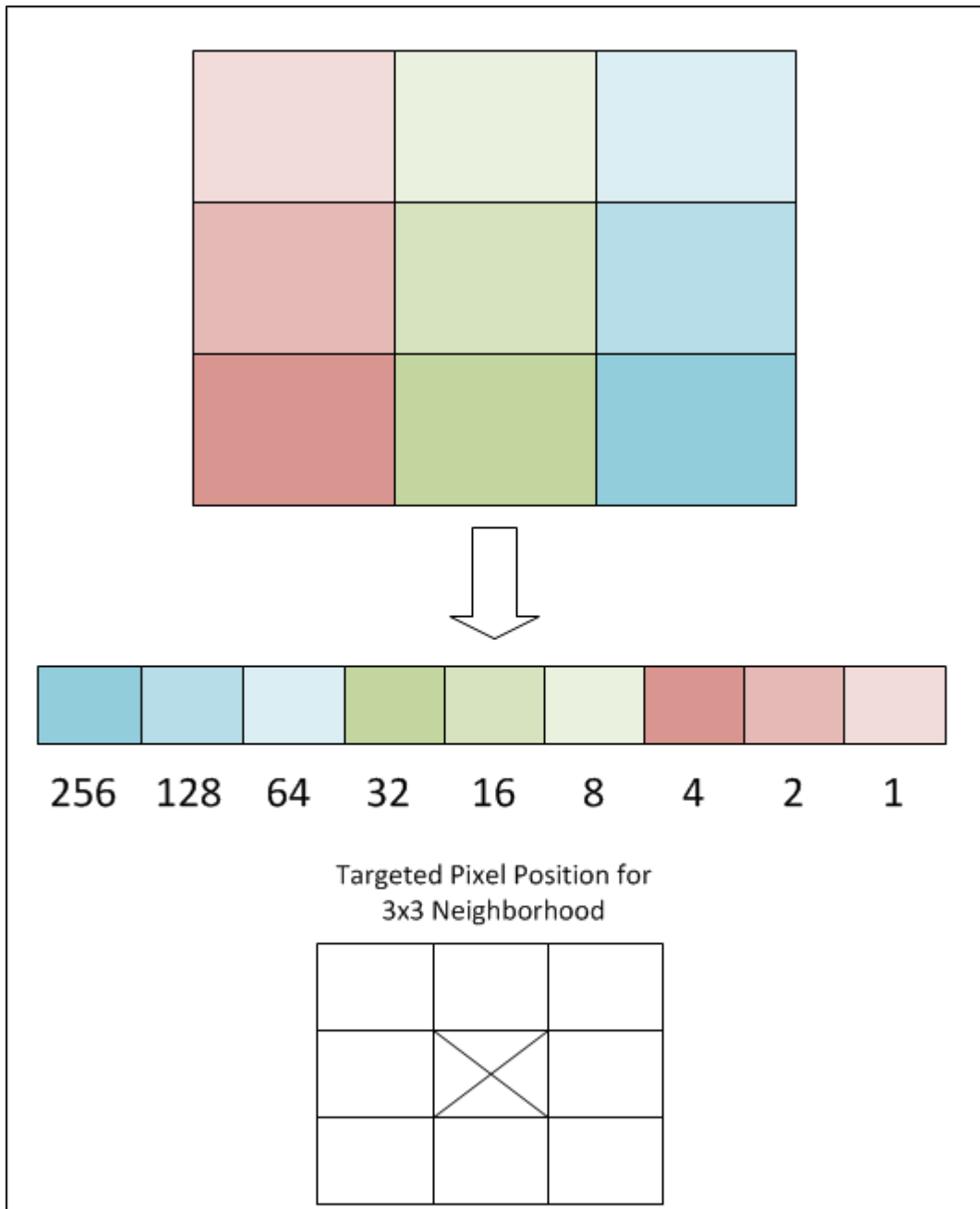


Figure 1: Color coded mapping from Pixel Patterns to Binary Representation for 3x3 Matrix

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwlookup` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `bwlookup` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, specify an input image of class `logical`.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`makelut`

Introduced in R2012b

bwmorph

Morphological operations on binary images

Syntax

```
BW2 = bwmorph(BW,operation)
BW2 = bwmorph(BW,operation,n)
```

Description

`BW2 = bwmorph(BW,operation)` applies a specific morphological operation to the binary image `BW`.

Note To perform morphological operations on a 3-D volumetric image, use `bwmorph3`.

You optionally can perform the morphological operation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

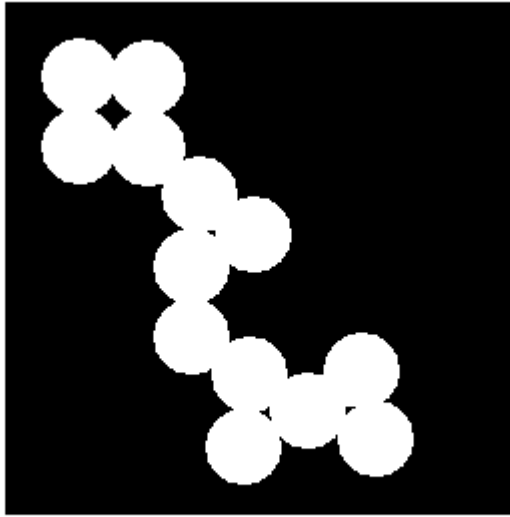
`BW2 = bwmorph(BW,operation,n)` applies the operation `n` times. `n` can be `Inf`, in which case the operation is repeated until the image no longer changes.

Examples

Perform Morphological Operations on Binary Image

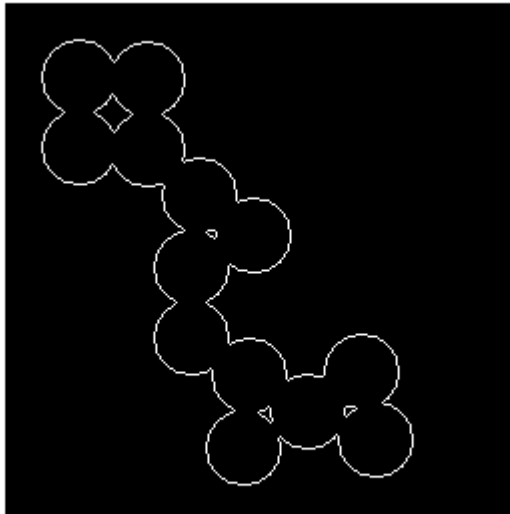
Read binary image and display it.

```
BW = imread('circles.png');
imshow(BW);
```



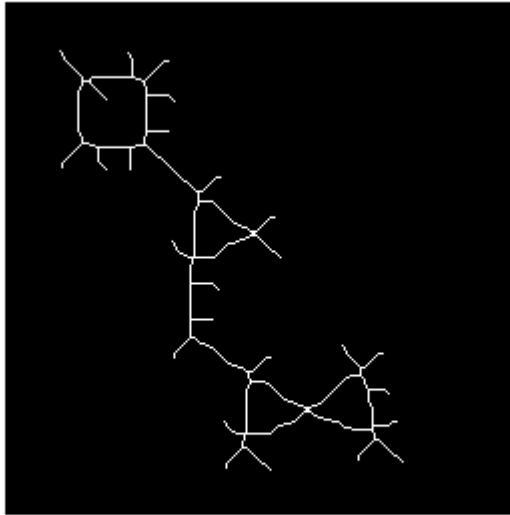
Remove interior pixels to leave an outline of the shapes.

```
BW2 = bwmorph(BW, 'remove');  
figure  
imshow(BW2)
```



Get the image skeleton.

```
BW3 = bwmorph(BW, 'skel', Inf);  
figure  
imshow(BW3)
```

Perform Morphological Operations on a GPU

This example performs the same operations as the previous example but performs them on a GPU. The example starts by reading the image into a `gpuArray`.

```
BW1 = gpuArray(imread('circles.png'));  
figure  
imshow(BW1)  
  
BW2 = bwmorph(BW1, 'remove');  
figure  
imshow(BW2)  
  
BW3 = bwmorph(BW1, 'skel', Inf);  
figure  
imshow(BW3)
```

Input Arguments

BW — Input image

binary image | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a binary image. The input image can be numeric or logical, and must be 2-D, real and nonsparse.

To perform the morphological operation using a GPU, specify **BW** as a `gpuArray` that contains a binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

operation — Morphological operation to perform

character vector | string scalar

Morphological operation to perform, specified as one of the following.

Operation	Description
'bothat'	Performs the morphological “bottom hat” operation, returning the image minus the morphological closing of the image (dilation followed by erosion).
'branchpoints'	Find branch points of skeleton. For example: <pre> 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 becomes 0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 </pre> <p>Note: To find branch points, the image must be skeletonized. To create a skeletonized image, use <code>bwmorph(BW, 'skel')</code>.</p>
'bridge'	Bridges unconnected pixels, that is, sets 0-valued pixels to 1 if they have two nonzero neighbors that are not connected. For example: <pre> 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 becomes 1 1 1 0 0 1 0 1 1 </pre>

Operation	Description
'clean'	Removes isolated pixels (individual 1s that are surrounded by 0s), such as the center pixel in this pattern. <pre>0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0</pre>
'close'	Performs morphological closing (dilation followed by erosion).
'diag'	Uses diagonal fill to eliminate 8-connectivity of the background. For example: <pre>0 1 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 becomes 1 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0</pre>
'endpoints'	Finds end points of skeleton. For example: <pre>1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 becomes 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0</pre> <p>Note: To find end points, the image must be skeletonized. To create a skeletonized image, use <code>bwmorph(BW, 'skel')</code>.</p>
'fill'	Fills isolated interior pixels (individual 0s that are surrounded by 1s), such as the center pixel in this pattern. <pre>1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1</pre>
'hbreak'	Removes H-connected pixels. For example: <pre>1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 0 becomes 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1</pre>
'majority'	Sets a pixel to 1 if five or more pixels in its 3-by-3 neighborhood are 1s; otherwise, it sets the pixel to 0.
'open'	Performs morphological opening (erosion followed by dilation).

Operation	Description
'remove'	Removes interior pixels. This option sets a pixel to 0 if all its 4-connected neighbors are 1, thus leaving only the boundary pixels on.
'shrink'	With $n = \text{Inf}$, shrinks objects to points. It removes pixels so that objects without holes shrink to a point, and objects with holes shrink to a connected ring halfway between each hole and the outer boundary. This option preserves the Euler number.
'skel'	With $n = \text{Inf}$, removes pixels on the boundaries of objects but does not allow objects to break apart. The pixels remaining make up the image skeleton. This option preserves the Euler number. When working with 3-D volumes, or when you want to prune a skeleton, use the <code>bwskel</code> function.
'spur'	Removes spur pixels. For example: <pre> 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 becomes 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 1 1 0 0 </pre>
'thicken'	With $n = \text{Inf}$, thickens objects by adding pixels to the exterior of objects until doing so would result in previously unconnected objects being 8-connected. This option preserves the Euler number.
'thin'	With $n = \text{Inf}$, thins objects to lines. It removes pixels so that an object without holes shrinks to a minimally connected stroke, and an object with holes shrinks to a connected ring halfway between each hole and the outer boundary. This option preserves the Euler number. See “Algorithms” on page 1-247 for more detail.
'tophat'	Performs morphological "top hat" operation, returning the image minus the morphological opening of the image (erosion followed by dilation).

Example: `BW3 = bwmorph(BW, 'skel');`

Data Types: `char` | `string`

n — Number of times to perform the operation

numeric value

Number of times to perform the operation, specified as a numeric value. `n` can be `Inf`, in which case `bwmorph` repeats the operation until the image no longer changes.

Example: `BW3 = bwmorph(BW, 'skel', 100);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

BW2 — Output imagebinary image | `gpuArray`

Output image, returned as a binary image.

If the morphological operation is performed using a GPU, then `BW2` is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a binary image.

Data Types: `logical`

Tips

- To perform erosion or dilation, use the `imerode` or `imdilate` functions. If you want to duplicate the dilation or erosion performed by `bwmorph`, then specify the structuring element ones (3) with these functions.

Algorithms

When used with the `'thin'` option, `bwmorph` uses the following algorithm [3]:

- 1 In the first subiteration, delete pixel p if and only if the conditions G_1 , G_2 , and G_3 are all satisfied.
- 2 In the second subiteration, delete pixel p if and only if the conditions G_1 , G_2 , and G_3' are all satisfied.

Condition G1:

$$X_H(p) = 1$$

where

$$X_H(p) = \sum_{i=1}^4 b_i$$

$$b_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x_{2i-1} = 0 \text{ and } (x_{2i} = 1 \text{ or } x_{2i+1} = 1) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

x_1, x_2, \dots, x_8 are the values of the eight neighbors of p , starting with the east neighbor and numbered in counter-clockwise order.

Condition G2:

$$2 \leq \min\{n_1(p), n_2(p)\} \leq 3$$

where

$$n_1(p) = \sum_{k=1}^4 x_{2k-1} \vee x_{2k}$$

$$n_2(p) = \sum_{k=1}^4 x_{2k} \vee x_{2k+1}$$

Condition G3:

$$(x_2 \vee x_3 \vee \bar{x}_8) \wedge x_1 = 0$$

Condition G3':

$$(x_6 \vee x_7 \vee \bar{x}_4) \wedge x_5 = 0$$

The two subiterations together make up one iteration of the thinning algorithm. When the user specifies an infinite number of iterations ($n=\text{Inf}$), the iterations are repeated until the image stops changing. The conditions are all tested using `applylut` with precomputed lookup tables.

References

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- [3] Lam, L., Seong-Whan Lee, and Ching Y. Suen, "Thinning Methodologies-A Comprehensive Survey," *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, Vol 14, No. 9, September 1992, page 879, bottom of first column through top of second column.
- [4] Pratt, William K., *Digital Image Processing*, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1991.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- bwmorph supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, bwmorph generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see "Code Generation Using a Shared Library".
- When generating code, the character vectors or string scalars specifying the operation must be a compile-time constant and, for best results, the input image must be of class `logical`.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`bweuler` | `bwmorph3` | `bwperim` | `bwskel` | `imdilate` | `imerode`

Introduced before R2006a

bwmorph3

Morphological operations on binary volume

Syntax

```
J = bwmorph3(V,operation)
```

Description

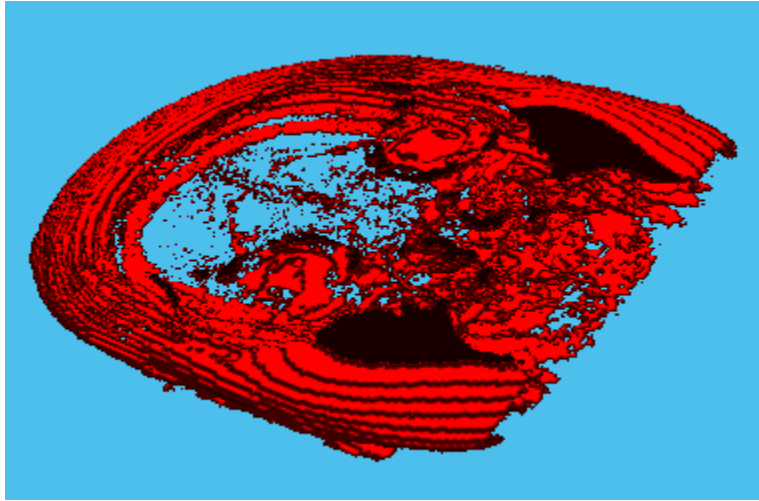
`J = bwmorph3(V,operation)` applies the morphological operation specified by the string or character vector `operation` to the binary volume `V`. `bwmorph3` returns the results of the operation in logical volume `J`, which has the same dimensions as the input volume.

Examples

Compare the Clean and Majority Operations of `bwmorph3`

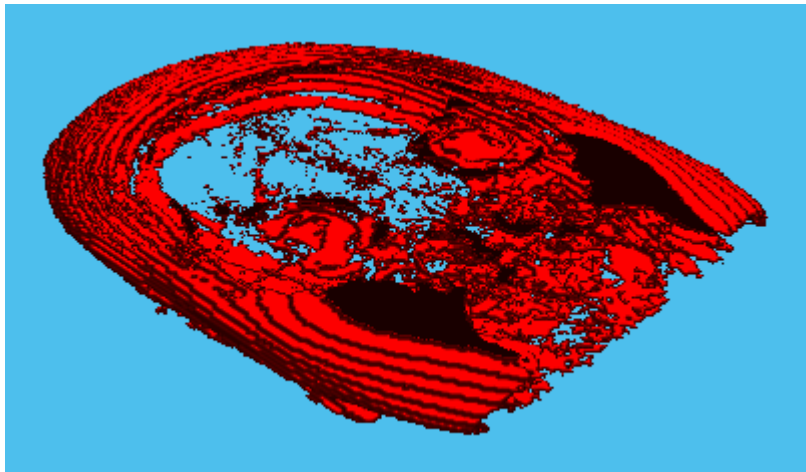
Load 3-D MRI volumetric data and create a binary volume. Use `volshow` to view the volumetric data.

```
load mrystack;  
BW1 = mrystack > 127;  
volshow(BW1);
```



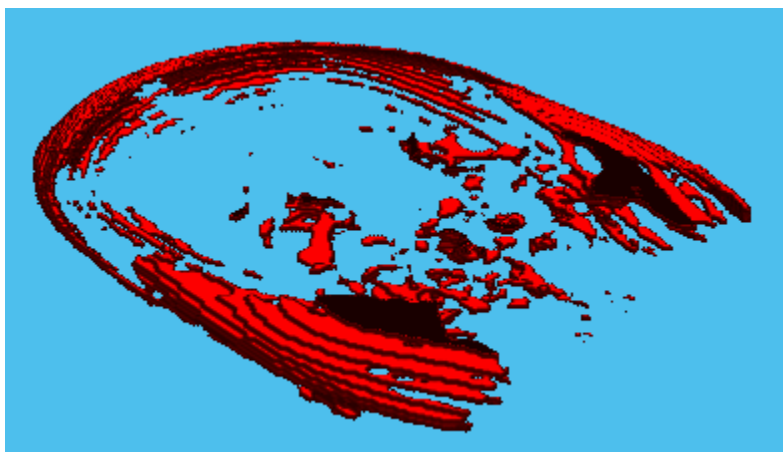
To remove voxels that are set to 1 and that are also surrounded by voxels set to 0, perform the 'clean' operation on the volumetric data. When determining which voxels to remove, the 'clean' operation considers 26 neighboring voxels. Use `volshow` to view the results.

```
BW2 = bwmorph3(BW1, 'clean');  
volshow(BW2);
```



For comparison, perform the 'majority' operation on the volumetric data. The 'majority' operation performs a similar task to the 'clean' operation but only retains voxels if more than half (the majority) of the voxels in the neighborhood of the target voxel are set to 1. When determining which voxels to retain, the 'majority' operation also considers 26 neighboring voxels. Use `volshow` to view the results.

```
BW3 = bwmorph3(BW1, 'majority');
volshow(BW3);
```



Illustrations of Morphological Operations

This example shows how each of the morphological operations supported by `bwmorph3` works on simple volumes.

Make a 9-by-9-by-3 cuboid of 0s that contains a 3-by-3-by-3 cube of 1s at its center.

```
innercube = ones(3,3,3);
cube_center = padarray(innercube,[3 3],0, 'both')
```

```
cube_center =
cube_center(:,:,1) =
```

```

0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
```

```
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

```
cube_center(:,:,2) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

```
cube_center(:,:,3) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Turning Pixels Off with the Remove Operation

Set the center voxel of the inner cube to 0 using the 'remove' operation. This operation sets the value of any 'on' voxel completely surrounded by 'on' voxels to 'off'.

```
remove_center = bwmorph3(cube_center, 'remove')
```

```
remove_center = 9x9x3 logical array
remove_center(:,:,1) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

```

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

```

```
remove_center(:,:,2) =
```

```

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 0 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

```

```
remove_center(:,:,3) =
```

```

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

```

Setting Pixels to On with the Fill Operation

Set the center voxel of the inner cube to 1 using the 'fill' operation. This operation sets the value of any 'off' voxel completely surrounded by 'on' voxels to 'on'.

```
fill_center = bwmorph3(remove_center, 'fill')
```

```
fill_center = 9x9x3 logical array
fill_center(:,:,1) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

```
fill_center(:,:,2) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

```
fill_center(:,:,3) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Removing Unconnected Pixels with the Clean Operation

Use the 'clean' operation to remove any stray voxels that are set to 1 but are not connected to a component in the volume. The example creates a stray voxel by setting a random voxel on the second plane to 1 and then uses the 'clean' operation to remove it.

```
cube_center(2,2,2) = 1
```

```
cube_center =
cube_center(:,:,1) =
```

```

0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
```

```
cube_center(:,:,2) =
```

```

0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     1     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
```

```
cube_center(:,:,3) =
```

```

0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
```

```
cube_cleaned = bwmorph3(cube_center, 'clean')
```

```
cube_cleaned = 9x9x3 logical array
cube_cleaned(:,:,1) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

```
cube_cleaned(:,:,2) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

```
cube_cleaned(:,:,3) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Finding the Majority

Find the majority of the `cube_center` using the `'majority'` operation. This operation retains a voxel only if more than half (the majority) of the voxels in the 26-connected neighborhood around the voxel are set to 1.

```
cube_major = bwmorph3(cube_center, 'majority')
```



```
cube_major = 9x9x3 logical array
cube_major(:,:,1) =
```

```

0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  1  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
```

```
cube_major(:,:,2) =
```

```

0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  1  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  1  1  1  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  1  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
```

```
cube_major(:,:,3) =
```

```

0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  1  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
```

Creating a Shape Similar to a Skeleton

To illustrate the branch points and end points options, create another small matrix, this time with a linear shape, like a skeleton.

```
x1 = eye(5);  
x2 = zeros(5);  
x2(3,3) = 1;  
x3 = x2;  
shape = cat(3,x1,x2,x3)
```

```
shape =  
shape(:,:,1) =
```

```
    1    0    0    0    0  
    0    1    0    0    0  
    0    0    1    0    0  
    0    0    0    1    0  
    0    0    0    0    1
```

```
shape(:,:,2) =
```

```
    0    0    0    0    0  
    0    0    0    0    0  
    0    0    1    0    0  
    0    0    0    0    0  
    0    0    0    0    0
```

```
shape(:,:,3) =
```

```
    0    0    0    0    0  
    0    0    0    0    0  
    0    0    1    0    0  
    0    0    0    0    0  
    0    0    0    0    0
```

Finding End Points

Find the end points of the shape using the 'endpoints' operation. The shape has three end points, one at each end of the diagonal in the first plane and one at the end of the line through the center, on the third plane.

```
shape_endpts = bwmorph3(shape, 'endpoints')
```

```
shape_endpts = 5x5x3 logical array  
shape_endpts(:,:,1) =
```

```

1  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  1

```

```
shape_endpts(:, :, 2) =
```

```

0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0

```

```
shape_endpts(:, :, 3) =
```

```

0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0
0  0  1  0  0
0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0

```

Finding Branch Points

Find the branch points of the shape using the 'branchpoints' operation. The shape has a single branch point, where the diagonal line and the horizontal line meet.

```
shape_brpts = bwmorph3(shape, 'branchpoints')
```

```
shape_brpts = 5x5x3 logical array
```

```
shape_brpts(:, :, 1) =
```

```

0  0  0  0  0
0  1  0  0  0
0  0  1  0  0
0  0  0  1  0
0  0  0  0  0

```

```
shape_brpts(:, :, 2) =
```

```

0  0  0  0  0

```

```
0 0 0 0 0
0 0 1 0 0
0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0
```

```
shape_brpts(:, :, 3) =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0
```

Input Arguments

V — Input volume

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

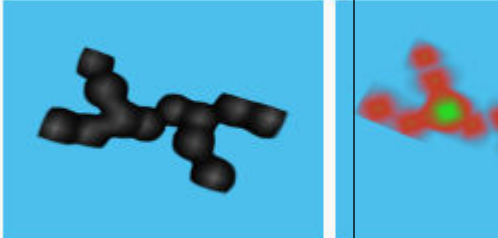
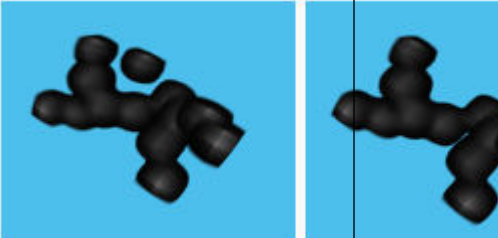
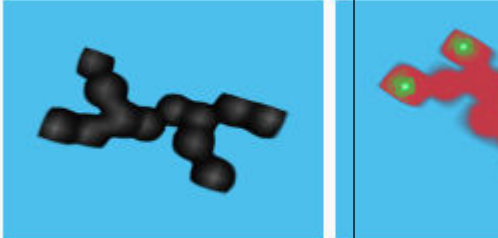
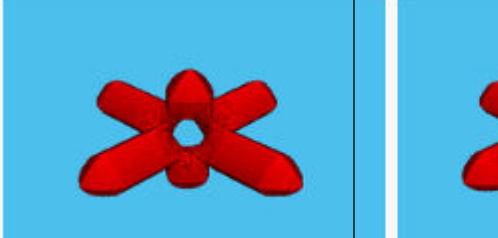
Input volume, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array. `bwmorph3` accepts 1-D, 2-D, or 3-D arrays. If you specify 1-D or 2-D input arrays, `bwmorph3` performs the morphological operation as defined for a 3-D volume. If you want 2-D behavior, use `bwmorph` instead.

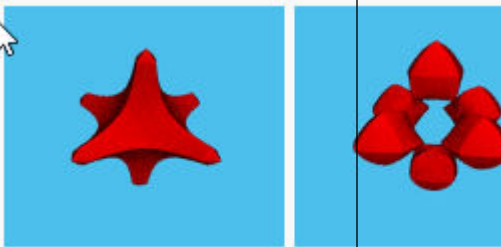
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

operation — Morphological operation to perform

character vector | string scalar

Morphological operation to perform, specified as one of the following character vectors or string scalar. For examples of these operations, see “Illustrations of Morphological Operations” on page 1-253.

Operation	Description	Illustration
'branchpoints'	<p>Find branch points of skeleton. Branch points are the voxels at the junction where multiple branches meet.</p> <p>To find branch points, the image must be skeletonized. To create a skeletonized image, use <code>bwskel</code>.</p>	
'clean'	<p>Remove isolated voxels, setting them to 0. An isolated voxel is an individual, 26-connected voxel that is set to 1 that are surrounded by voxels set to 0.</p>	
'endpoints'	<p>Find end points of skeleton. End points are voxels at the ends of branches.</p> <p>Note: To find end points, the image must be skeletonized. To create a skeletonized image, use <code>bwskel</code>.</p>	
'fill'	<p>Fill isolated interior voxels, setting them to 1. Isolated interior voxels are individual voxels that are set to 0 that are surrounded (6-connected) by voxels set to 1.</p>	

Operation	Description	Illustration
'majority'	Keep a voxel set to 1 if 14 or more voxels (the majority) in its 3-by-3-by-3, 26-connected neighborhood are set to 1; otherwise, set the voxel to 0.	See “Illustrations of Morphological Operations” on page 1-253.
'remove'	Remove interior voxels, setting it to 0. Interior voxels are individual voxels that are set to 1 that are surrounded (6-connected) by voxels set to 1.	

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

J — Output volume

logical array

Output volume, returned as a logical array.

Tips

- To perform the morphological operations erosion or dilation on 3-D volumes, use the `imerode` or `imdilate` functions, specifying the structuring element `ones(3,3,3)`.
- To perform morphological closing, opening, top-hat filtering, or bottom-hat filtering on 3-D volumes, use the `imclose`, `imopen`, `imtophat`, or `imbothat` functions, specifying the structuring element `ones(3,3,3)`.

See Also

`bwmorph` | `bwskel` | `imbothat` | `imclose` | `imdilate` | `imerode` | `imopen` | `imtophat`

Topics

“Types of Morphological Operations”

Introduced in R2018a

bwpack

Pack binary image

Syntax

```
BWP = bwpack(BW)
```

Description

`BWP = bwpack(BW)` packs the binary image `BW` into the `uint32` array `BWP`, which is known as a *packed binary image*. Because each pixel value in the binary image has only two possible values, 1 and 0, `bwpack` can map each pixel to a single bit in the packed output image.

Examples

Pack, Dilate, and Unpack Binary Image

Read binary image into the workspace.

```
BW = imread('text.png');  
imshow(BW)
```


**The term watershed
refers to a ridge that ...**

**... divides areas
drained by different
river systems.**

Pack the image.

```
BWp = bwpack(BW);
```

Dilate the packed image.

```
BWp_dilated = imdilate(BWp,ones(3,3),'ispacked');
```

Unpack the dilated image and display it.

```
BW_dilated = bwunpack(BWp_dilated, size(BW,1));  
imshow(BW_dilated)
```



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix

Binary image, specified as a 2-D numeric or logical matrix. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (`true`).

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

BWP — Packed binary image

numeric matrix

Packed binary image, returned as a numeric matrix of type `uint32`.

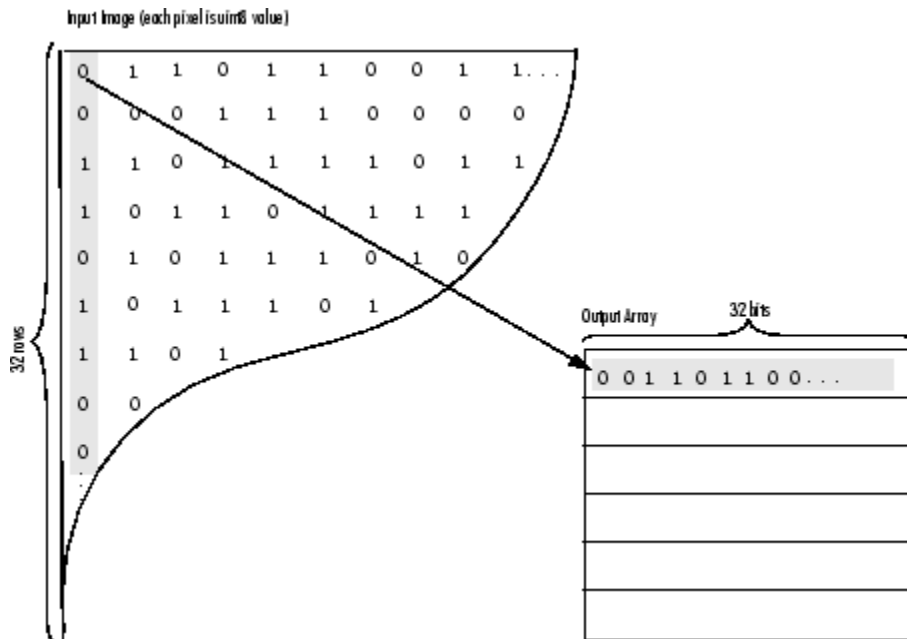
Data Types: `uint32`

Tips

- Binary image packing is used to accelerate some binary morphological operations, such as dilation and erosion. If the input to `imdilate` or `imerode` is a packed binary image, then the function uses a specialized routine to perform the operation faster.
- Use `bwunpack` to unpack packed binary images.

Algorithms

`bwpack` processes the input image pixels by column, mapping groups of 32 pixels into the bits of a `uint32` value. The first pixel in the first row corresponds to the least significant bit of the first `uint32` element of the output array. The first pixel in the 32nd input row corresponds to the most significant bit of this same element. The first pixel of the 33rd row corresponds to the least significant bit of the second output element, and so on. If `BW` is `M`-by-`N`, then `BWP` is `ceil(M/32)`-by-`N`. This figure illustrates how `bwpack` maps the pixels in a binary image to the bits in a packed binary image.



Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwpack` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). The code generated for `bwpack` uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

See Also

`bwunpack` | `imdilate` | `imerode`

Introduced before R2006a

bwperim

Find perimeter of objects in binary image

Syntax

```
BW2 = bwperim(BW)
BW2 = bwperim(BW,conn)
```

Description

`BW2 = bwperim(BW)` returns a binary image that contains only the perimeter pixels of objects in the input image `BW`. A pixel is part of the perimeter if it is nonzero and it is connected to at least one zero-valued pixel.

`BW2 = bwperim(BW,conn)` specifies the pixel connectivity, `conn`.

Examples

Find Perimeter of Objects in Binary Image

Read binary image into workspace.

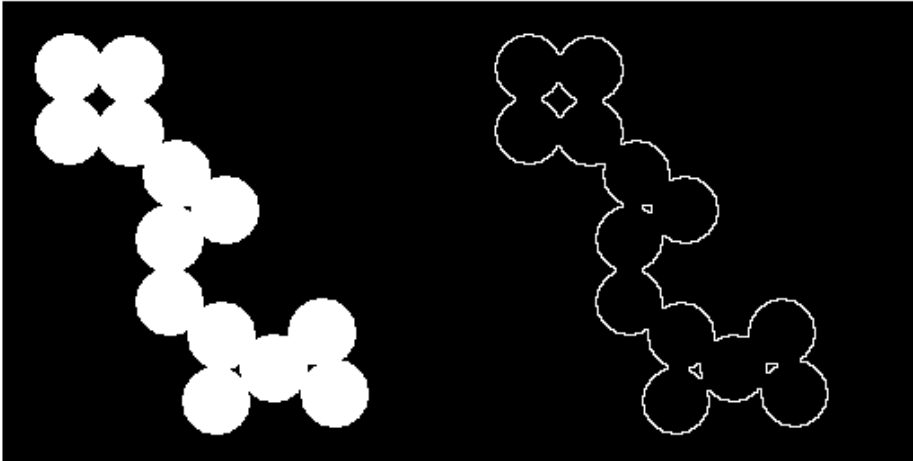
```
BW = imread('circles.png');
```

Calculate the perimeters of objects in the image.

```
BW2 = bwperim(BW,8);
```

Display the original image and the perimeters side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(BW,BW2,'montage')
```



Find Perimeter Pixels in Binary Image

This example shows how to find the perimeter pixels in a binary image using the `bwperim` function.

Read a binary image into the workspace.

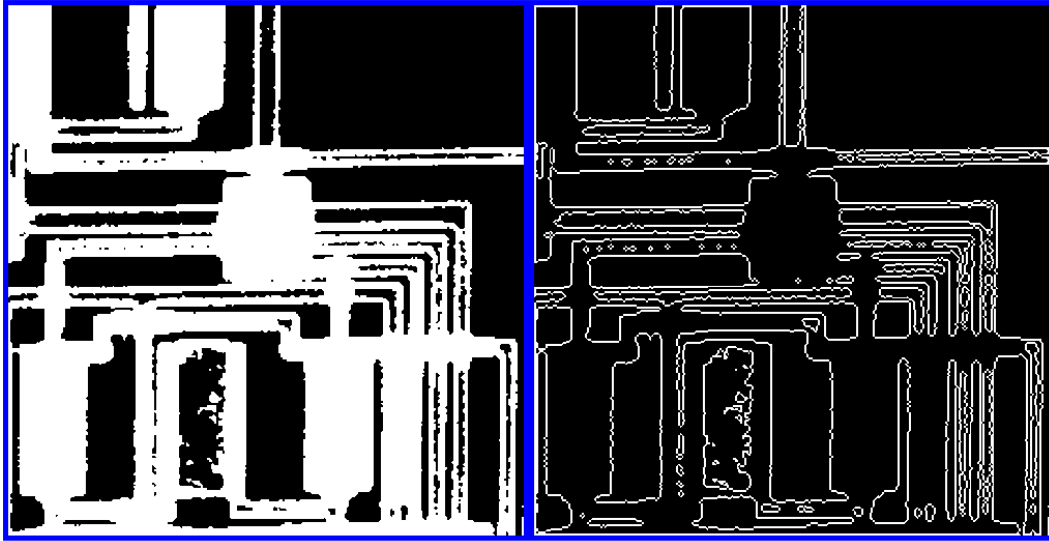
```
BW1 = imread('circbw.tif');
```

Find the perimeters of objects in the image.

```
BW2 = bwperim(BW1);
```

Display the original image and the image showing perimeters side-by-side.

```
montage({BW1,BW2}, 'BackgroundColor', 'blue', 'BorderSize', 5)
```



Input Arguments

BW — Input binary image

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix

Input binary image, specified as a 2-D numeric or logical matrix.

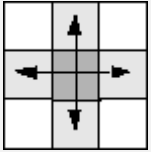
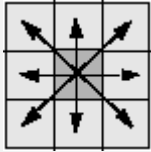
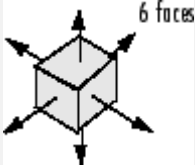
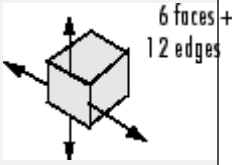
Example: `BW = imread('circles.png');`

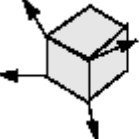
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 4 for 2-D images, and 6 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `bwperim` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(BW), 'minimal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

BW2 — Output binary image containing only perimeter pixels of objects

logical array

Output image containing only perimeter pixels of objects, returned as a logical array.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwperim` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `bwperim` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- `bwperim` supports only 2-D images.
- `bwperim` does not support a no-output-argument syntax.
- The connectivity matrix input argument, `conn`, must be a constant.

See Also

`bwarea` | `bwboundaries` | `bweuler` | `bwferet` | `bwtraceboundary` | `conndef` | `imfill`

Topics

“Types of Morphological Operations”

Introduced before R2006a

bwpropfilt

Extract objects from binary image using properties

Syntax

```
BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,attrib,range)
BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,attrib,n)
BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,attrib,n,keep)
BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,I,attrib,___)
BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,___,conn)
```

Description

`BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,attrib,range)` extracts all connected components (objects) from a binary image `BW` whose value of property `attrib` is in the specified range. `bwpropfilt` returns a binary image `BW2` containing only those objects that meet the criteria.

`BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,attrib,n)` sorts the objects based on the value of the specified property, `attrib`, returning a binary image that contains only the top `n` largest objects. In the event of a tie for `n`-th place, `bwpropfilt` keeps only the first `n` objects in `BW2`.

`BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,attrib,n,keep)` specifies whether to keep the `n` largest objects or the `n` smallest objects when sorted by property `attrib`.

`BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,I,attrib,___)` sorts objects based on the intensity values in the grayscale image `I` and the property `attrib`.

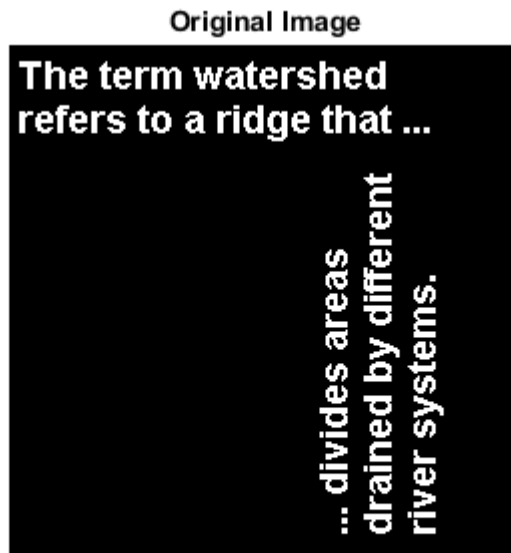
`BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,___,conn)` specifies the pixel connectivity, `conn`.

Examples

Find Regions Without Holes

Read image and display it.

```
BW = imread('text.png');  
figure  
imshow(BW)  
title('Original Image')
```



Use filtering to create a second image that contains only those regions in the original image that do not have holes. For these regions, the Euler number property is equal to 1. Display filtered image.

```
BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW, 'EulerNumber', [1 1]);  
figure  
imshow(BW2)  
title('Regions with Euler Number == 1')
```



Find Which Ten Objects Have Largest Perimeters

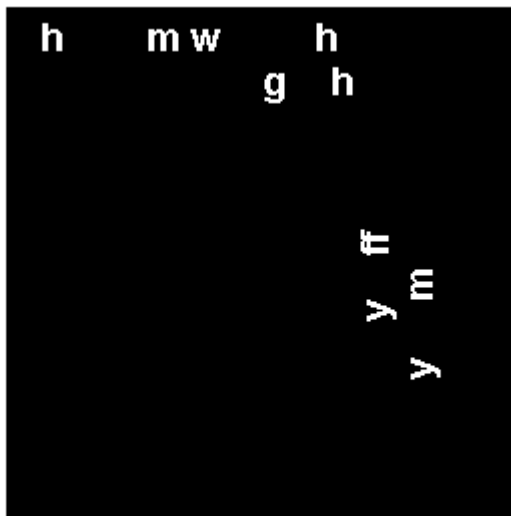
Read image.

```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Find the ten objects in the image with the largest perimeters and display filtered image.

```
BW2 = bwpropfilt(BW,'perimeter',10);  
figure;  
imshow(BW2)  
title('Objects with the Largest Perimeters')
```

Objects with the Largest Perimeters



Input Arguments

BW — Image to be filtered

binary image

Image to be filtered, specified as a binary image.

Data Types: logical

attrib — Name of attribute on which to filter

character vector | string scalar

Name of attribute on which to filter, specified as one of the following values. For detailed information about these attributes, see `regionprops`.

Area	EulerNumber	MinorAxisLength
ConvexArea	Extent	Orientation
Eccentricity	FilledArea	Perimeter
EquivDiameter	MajorAxisLength	Solidity

If you specify a grayscale image, then `attrib` can have one of these additional values.

MaxIntensity	MeanIntensity	MinIntensity
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Data Types: `char` | `string`

range — Minimum and maximum property values

2-by-1 numeric vector

Minimum and maximum property values, specified as a 2-by-1 numeric vector of the form `[low high]`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

n — Number of objects to return

positive integer

Number of object to return, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `double`

keep — Objects to retain

'largest' (default) | 'smallest'

Objects to retain, specified as 'largest' or 'smallest'.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

I — Marker image

grayscale image

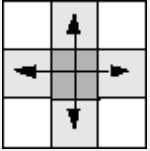
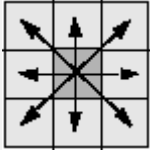
Marker image, specified as a grayscale image, the same size as the input binary image. Intensity values in the grayscale image define regions in the input binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

conn — Pixel connectivity

8 (default) | 4 | 3-by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of these values.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way by specifying a 3-by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. The matrix must be symmetric about its center element.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

BW2 — Filtered image

binary image

Filtered image, returned as a binary image the same size as `BW`.

See Also

`bwareafilt` | `bwareaopen` | `bwconncomp` | `conndef` | `regionprops`

Topics

“Filter Images on Region Properties Using Image Region Analyzer App”

Introduced in R2014b

bwselect

Select objects in binary image

Syntax

```
BW2 = bwselect(BW,c,r,n)
BW2 = bwselect(BW,n)
[BW2,idx] = bwselect( ___ )
BW2 = bwselect(x,y,BW,xi,yi,n)
[x,y,BW2,idx,xi,yi] = bwselect( ___ )
```

Description

`BW2 = bwselect(BW,c,r,n)` returns a binary image containing the objects that overlap the pixel (r,c) , where n specifies the connectivity. Objects are connected sets of on pixels, that is, pixels having a value of 1. By default, `bwselect` looks for 4-connected objects.

`BW2 = bwselect(BW,n)` displays the image `BW` on the screen and lets you select the (r,c) coordinates using the mouse. If you omit `BW`, `bwselect` operates on the image in the current axes. Use normal button clicks to add points. Press **Backspace** or **Delete** to remove the previously selected point. A shift-click, right-click, or double-click selects the final point; press **Return** to finish the selection without adding a point.

`[BW2,idx] = bwselect(___)` returns the linear indices of the pixels belonging to the selected objects.

`BW2 = bwselect(x,y,BW,xi,yi,n)` uses the vectors `x` and `y` to establish a nondefault spatial coordinate system for `BW`. The arguments `xi` and `yi` are scalars or equal-length vectors that specify locations in this coordinate system.

`[x,y,BW2,idx,xi,yi] = bwselect(___)` returns the `XData` and `YData` in `x` and `y`, the output image in `BW2`, linear indices of all the pixels belonging to the selected objects in `idx`, and the specified spatial coordinates in `xi` and `yi`.

Examples

Select Objects in Binary Image

Select objects in a binary image and create a new image containing only those objects.

Read binary image into the workspace.

```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Specify the locations of objects in the image using row and column indices.

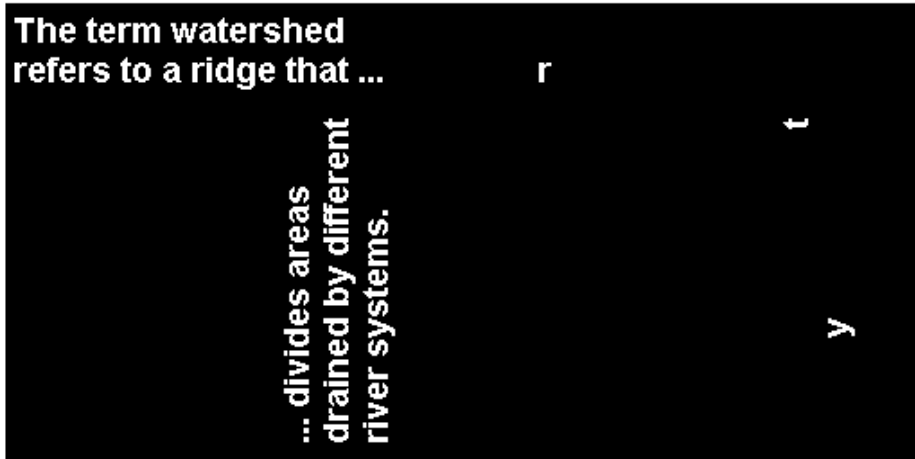
```
c = [43 185 212];  
r = [38 68 181];
```

Create a new binary image containing only the selected objects. This example specifies 4-connected objects.

```
BW2 = bwselect(BW,c,r,4);
```

Display the original image and the new image side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(BW,BW2,'montage');
```



Input Arguments

BW — Input binary image

2-D, nonsparse, logical or numeric matrix

Input binary image, specified as a 2-D, nonsparse, logical or numeric matrix. If you do not specify an output argument, `bwselect` displays the output image in a new figure.

Example: `BW = imread('text.png');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

c — Column index

numeric scalar or vector

Column index, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. If `c` and `r` are equal-length vectors, `BW2` contains the sets of objects overlapping with any of the pixels $(r(k), c(k))$.

Example: `c = [43 185 212];`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

r — Row index

numeric scalar or vector

Row index, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. If `r` and `c` are equal-length vectors, `BW2` contains the sets of objects overlapping with any of the pixels (`r(k)`, `c(k)`).

Example: `r = [38 68 181];`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

n — Connectivity

8 (default) | 4

Connectivity, specified as either the value 4 or 8.

Value	Description
4	4-connected objects
8	8-connected objects

Example: `BW2 = bwselect(BW,c,r,4);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

x — x coordinates of nondefault coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

x coordinates of nondefault coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

Example: `x = [19.5 23.5];`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

y — y coordinates of nondefault coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

y coordinates of nondefault coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

Example: `y = [8.0 12.0];`

Data Types: `single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64`

xi — x coordinates of locations in nondefault coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

x coordinates of locations in nondefault coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

Example: `x = [19.5 23.5];`

Data Types: `single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64`

yi — y coordinates of locations in nondefault coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

y coordinates of locations in nondefault coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

Example: `y = [8.0 12.0];`

Data Types: `single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64`

Output Arguments

BW2 — Binary image containing objects that overlap the specified pixels

logical array

Binary image containing objects that overlap the specified pixels, returned as a logical array.

If you do not specify an output argument, `bwselect` displays the output image in a new figure.

idx — Linear indices of the pixels belonging to the selected objects

numeric vector

Linear indices of the pixels belonging to the selected objects, returned as a numeric vector.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwselect` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `bwselect` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, `bwselect` only supports the following syntaxes:
 - `BW2 = bwselect(BW, c, r)`
 - `[BW2, idx] = bwselect(BW, c, r)`
 - `BW2 = bwselect(BW, c, r, n)`
 - `[BW2, idx] = bwselect(BW, c, r, n)`
- In addition, the optional fourth input argument, `n`, must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`bwlabel` | `bwselect3` | `grayconnected` | `imfill` | `regionfill` | `roipoly`

Introduced before R2006a

bwselect3

Select objects in binary image

Syntax

```
J = bwselect3(V,C,R,P)
J = bwselect3(X,Y,Z,V,Xi,Yi,Zi)
[J] = bwselect3( ____,N)
[J,idx] = bwselect3( ____)
[X,Y,Z,J,Xi,Yi,Zi] = bwselect3( ____)
[X,Y,Z,J,idx,Xi,Yi,Zi] = bwselect3( ____)
```

Description

`J = bwselect3(V,C,R,P)` returns the binary volume `J` containing the objects that overlap the pixel location (R,C,P) . `R`, `C`, and `P` are scalars or equal-length vectors that specify the row, column, and plane index of the pixel location. Objects are connected sets of pixels with the value 1.

If you specify `R`, `C`, and `P` as vectors, `J` contains the set of objects overlapping with any of the pixels $(R(k),C(k),P(k))$, where k is an index into the vector.

`J = bwselect3(X,Y,Z,V,Xi,Yi,Zi)` uses the vectors `X`, `Y`, and `Z` to establish a nondefault spatial coordinate system for `V`. `Xi`, `Yi`, and `Zi` are scalars or equal-length vectors that specify pixel locations in this coordinate system.

`[J] = bwselect3(____,N)` returns a binary volume where `N` specifies the connectivity used to define objects.

`[J,idx] = bwselect3(____)` returns `idx`, a column vector of linear indices specifying the pixels belonging to the selected objects.

`[X,Y,Z,J,Xi,Yi,Zi] = bwselect3(____)` returns the binary volume `J`, along with the `XData`, `YData`, and `ZData` of the output volume in `X`, `Y`, and `Z`. `Xi`, `Yi`, and `Zi` contain the specified spatial coordinates.

`[X,Y,Z,J,idx,Xi,Yi,Zi] = bwselect3(___)` returns the binary volume J, along with `idx`, a column vector of linear indices specifying the pixels belonging to the selected objects.

Examples

Find Objects in Volume

Load a volume and change its name to V.

```
load mrystack;  
V = mrystack;
```

Define a set of points in the volume.

```
C = [126 87 11];  
R = [34 120 20];  
P = [20 2 12];
```

Return a volume that contains objects that intersect with the points specified.

```
J = bwselect3(V,C,R,P);
```

Input Arguments

V — Input volume

nonsparse, logical or numeric 3-D array

Input volume, specified as a nonsparse, 3-D, logical or numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

R — Row index of object

numeric scalar | numeric vector

Row index of object, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. If you specify a vector, R must be the same length as C and P.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

C — Column index of object

numeric scalar | numeric vector

Column index of object, specified as a scalar or vector. If you specify a vector, C must be the same length as R and P.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

P — Plane index of object

numeric scalar | numeric vector

Plane index of object, specified as a scalar or vector. If you specify a vector, P must be the same length as R and C.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

N — Connectivity

26 (default) | 6 | 18

Connectivity, specified as 6, 18, or 26. Objects are connected sets of pixels with the value 1.

Connectivities

Value	Connectivity
6	6-connected objects (Face-Face)
18	18-connected objects (Face-Face and Edge-Edge)
26	26-connected objects (Face-Face, Edge-Edge, and Vertex-Vertex)

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

X — Limits of nondefault coordinate system in X direction

vector

Limits of nondefault coordinate system in X direction, specified as a vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Y — Limits of nondefault coordinate system in Y direction

vector

Limits of nondefault coordinate system in Y direction, specified as a vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Z — Limits of nondefault coordinate system in Z direction

vector

Limits of nondefault coordinate system in Z direction, specified as a vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Xi — X-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system

scalar | vector

X-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system, specified as a scalar or vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Yi — Y-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system

scalar | vector

Y-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system, specified as a scalar or vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Zi — Z-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system

scalar or vector

Z-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system, specified as a scalar or vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

J — Output volume

N-D logical array

Output volume, returned as an *N*-D logical array. **J** contains the set of objects overlapping with any of the pixels specified by **R**, **C**, and **P**, or **Xi**, **Yi**, and **Zi**.

idx — Linear indices of pixels belonging to selected objects

vector

Linear indices of pixels belonging to the selected objects, returned as a vector.

X — Volume Xdata property

vector

Volume Xdata property, returned as a vector.

Y — Volume Ydata property

vector

Volume Ydata property, returned as a vector.

Z — Volume Zdata property

vector

Volume Zdata property, returned as a vector.

Xi — X-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system

scalar | vector

X-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system, returned as a scalar or vector.

Yi — Y-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system

scalar | vector

Y-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system, returned as a scalar or vector.

Zi — Z-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system

scalar | vector

Z-coordinate of location in nondefault coordinate system, returned as a scalar or vector.

See Also

`bwlabel` | `bwselect` | `imfill` | `regionfill` | `roipoly`

Introduced in R2017b

bwskel

Reduce all objects to lines in 2-D binary image or 3-D binary volume

Syntax

```
B = bwskel(A)
B = bwskel(V)
B = bwskel( ____, 'MinBranchLength', N)
```

Description

`B = bwskel(A)` reduces all objects in the 2-D binary image `A` to 1-pixel wide curved lines, without changing the essential structure of the image. This process, called skeletonization, extracts the centerline while preserving the topology and Euler number of the objects.

`B = bwskel(V)` returns the skeleton of a 3-D binary volume.

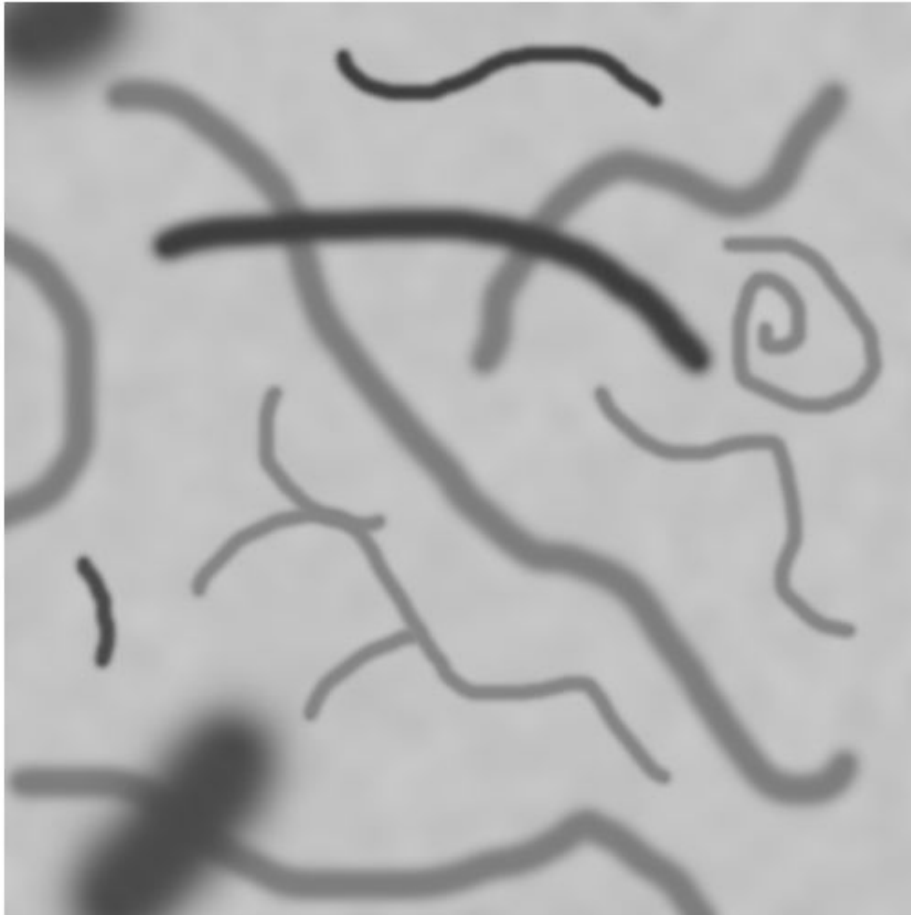
`B = bwskel(____, 'MinBranchLength', N)` specifies the minimum branch length `N` of the skeleton. `bwskel` removes (prunes) all branches shorter than the specified length. `bwskel` calculates the length as the number of pixels in a branch using 8-connectivity for 2-D and 26-connectivity for 3-D.

Examples

Skeletonize 2-D Grayscale Image

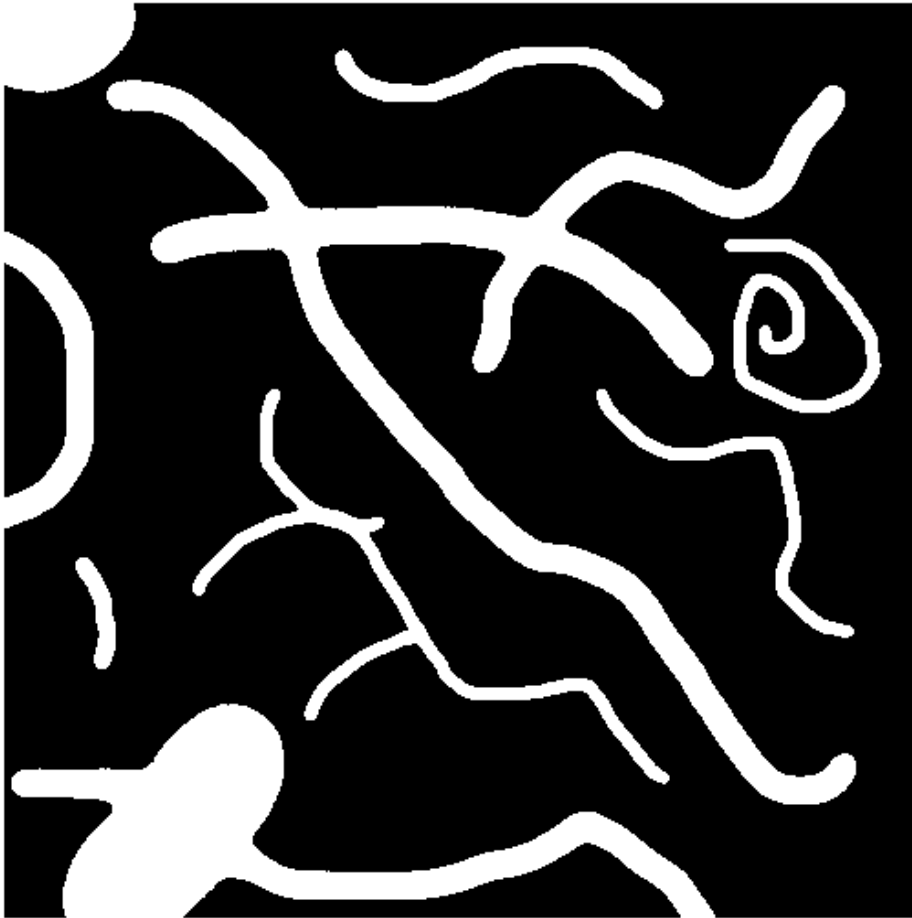
Read a 2-D grayscale image into the workspace. Display the image. Objects of interest are dark threads against a light background.

```
I = imread('threads.png');
imshow(I)
```



Skeletonization requires a binary image in which foreground pixels are 1 (white) and the background is 0 (black). To make the original image suitable for skeletonization, take the complement of the image so that the objects are light and the background is dark. Then, binarize the result.


```
Icomplement = imcomplement(I);  
BW = imbinarize(Icomplement);  
imshow(BW)
```

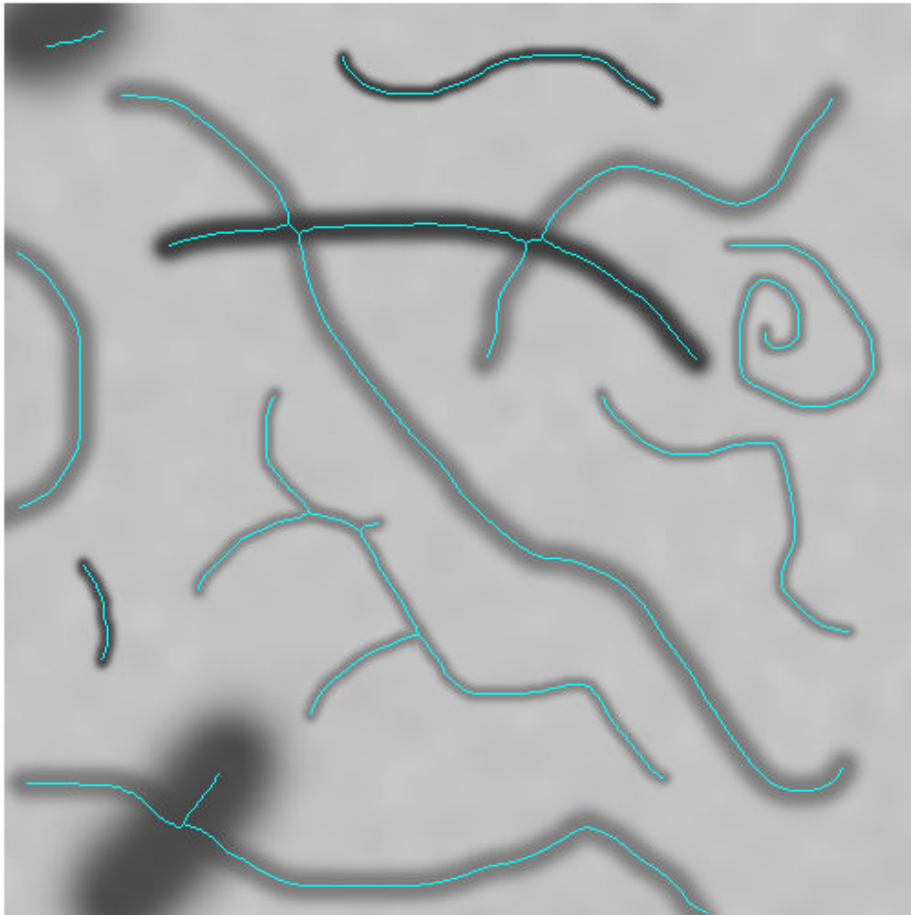


Perform skeletonization of the binary image using `bwskel`.

```
out = bwskel(BW);
```

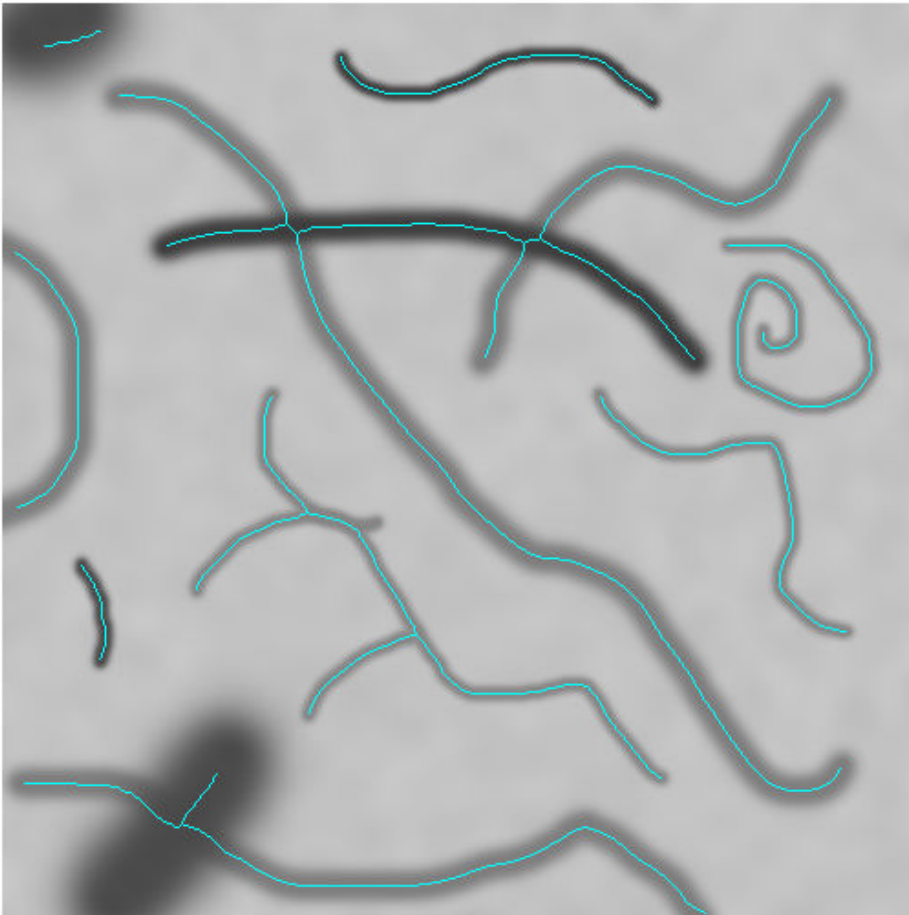
Display the skeleton over the original image by using the `labeloverlay` function. The skeleton appears as a 1-pixel wide cyan line over the dark threads.

```
imshow(labeloverlay(I,out,'Transparency',0))
```



Prune small spurs that appear on the skeleton and view the result. One short branch is pruned from a thread near the center of the image.

```
out2 = bwskel(BW, 'MinBranchLength', 15);  
imshow(labeloverlay(I, out2, 'Transparency', 0))
```



Skeletonize Binary Image

Read a binary image into the workspace.

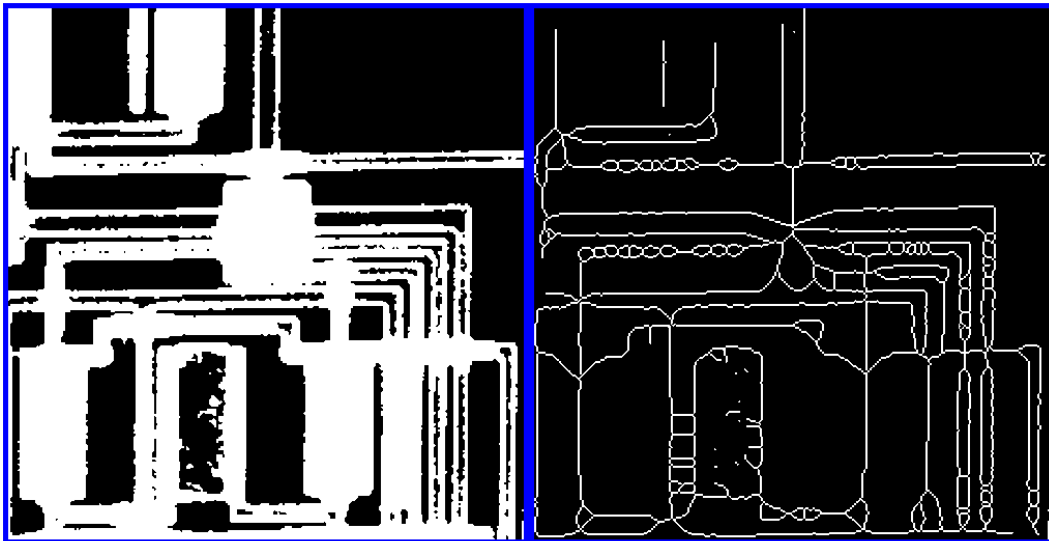
```
BW1 = imread('circbw.tif');
```

Skeletonize objects in the image using the `bwskel` function.

```
BW2 = bwskel(BW1);
```

View the original image and the skeletonized image side by side.

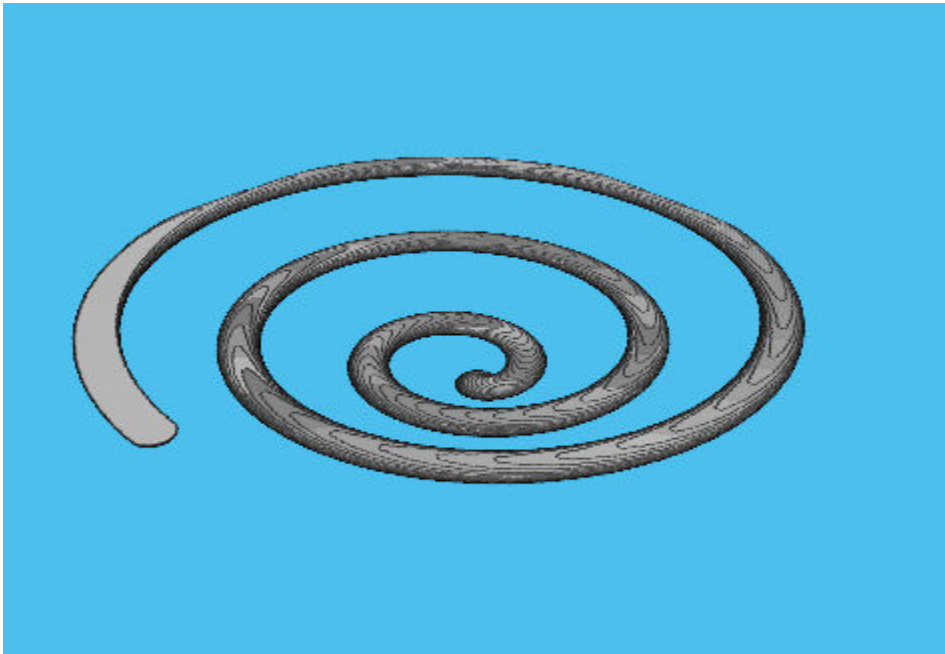
```
montage({BW1,BW2}, 'BackgroundColor', 'blue', 'BorderSize', 5)
```



Skeletonize 3-D Volume

Load a volumetric data set into the workspace. The name of the data set is `spiralVol`. Display the volume using `volshow`.

```
load spiralVol.mat;  
volshow(spiralVol);
```



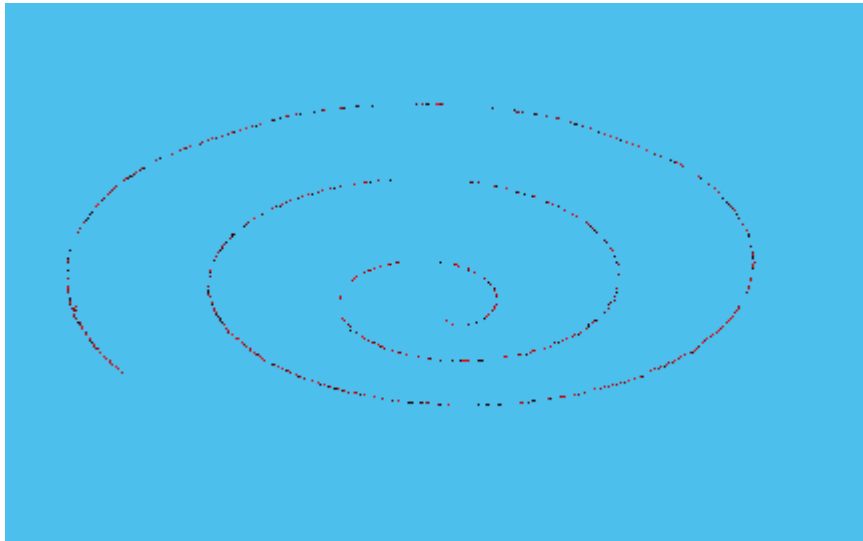
Convert the `spiralVol` data set to a binary format which is required by the `bwskel` function.

```
spiralVolLogical = imbinarize(spiralVol);
```

Skeletonize the spiral shape in the data set. Display the skeletonized volume with `volshow`.

```
spiralVolSkel = bwskel(spiralVolLogical);
```

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Input Arguments

A — Binary image

2-D logical array

Binary image, specified as a 2-D logical array.

Data Types: `logical`

V — 3-D binary volume

3-D logical array

3-D binary volume, specified as a 3-D logical array.

Data Types: `logical`

N — Minimum branch length

0 (default) | nonnegative integer

Minimum branch length, specified as a nonnegative integer. `bwskel` prunes branches shorter than `N`. By default, `bwskel` does not prune branches.

Output Arguments

B — Skeletonized image or volume

2-D logical array | 3-D logical array

Skeletonized image or volume, returned as a 2-D or 3-D logical array of the same size as the input image or volume.

Tips

- While both `bwskel` and `bwmorph` can skeletonize 2-D images, you might get different results using `bwmorph` than when using `bwskel`. Because they use different algorithms, the `bwskel` function uses 4-connectivity with 2-D images; `bwmorph` uses 8-connectivity.
- `bwskel` assumes that foreground objects in the binary image are white (logical `true`). If your image has a white background and black objects, then use the complement of your image as the input to `bwskel`. You can compute the complement using `imcomplement`.

Algorithms

- The `bwskel` function uses the medial axis transform.

References

- [1] Ta-Chih Lee, Rangasami L. Kashyap and Chong-Nam Chu. *Building skeleton models via 3-D medial surface/axis thinning algorithms*. Computer Vision, Graphics, and Image Processing, 56(6):462-478, 1994.
- [2] Kerschnitzki, M, Kollmannsberger, P, Burghammer, M. et al. *Architecture of the osteocyte network correlates with bone material quality*. Journal of Bone and Mineral Research, 28(8):1837-1845, 2013.

See Also

`bwmorph` | `bwmorph3`

Topics

“Types of Morphological Operations”

Introduced in R2018a

bwtraceboundary

Trace object in binary image

Syntax

```
B = bwtraceboundary(BW,P,fstep)
B = bwtraceboundary(BW,P,fstep,conn)
B = bwtraceboundary(BW,P,fstep,conn,m,dir)
```

Description

`B = bwtraceboundary(BW,P,fstep)` traces the outline of an object in binary image `BW`. Nonzero pixels belong to an object and zero-valued pixels constitute the background. `P` specifies the row and column coordinates of the point on the object boundary where you want the tracing to begin. `fstep` specifies the initial search direction for the next object pixel connected to `P`. `B` holds the row and column coordinates of the boundary pixels for the region.

`B = bwtraceboundary(BW,P,fstep,conn)` traces the boundary, where `conn` specifies the desired connectivity.

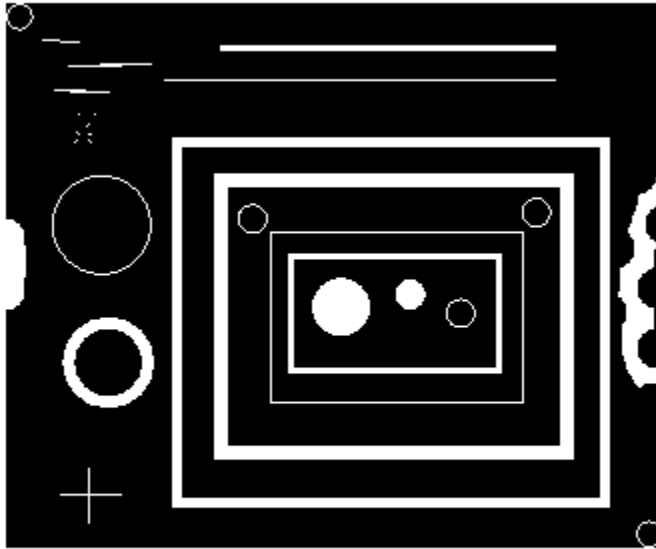
`B = bwtraceboundary(BW,P,fstep,conn,m,dir)` specifies `m`, the maximum number of boundary pixels to extract, and `dir`, the direction in which to trace the boundary. By default, `bwtraceboundary` identifies all the pixels on the boundary.

Examples

Trace Boundary and Visualize Contours

Read an image and display it.

```
BW = imread('blobs.png');
imshow(BW)
```

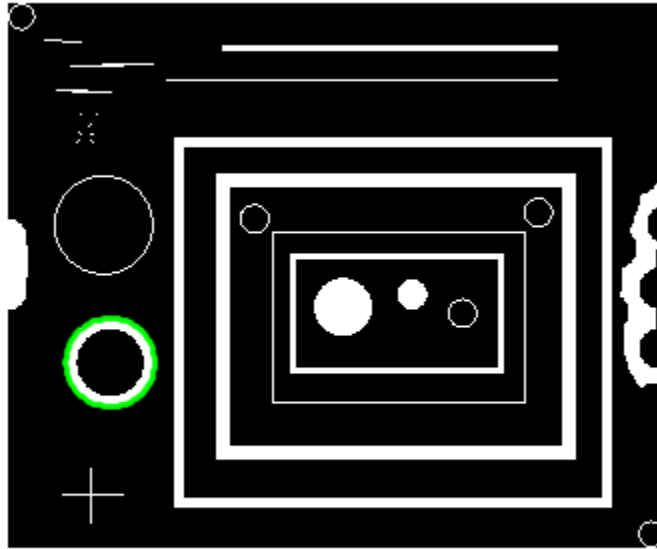


Pick an object in the image and trace the boundary. To select an object, specify a pixel on its boundary. This example uses the coordinates of a pixel on the boundary of the thick white circle, obtained through visual inspection using `impixelinfo`. By default, `bwtraceboundary` identifies all pixels on the boundary.

```
r1 = 163;  
c1 = 37;  
contour = bwtraceboundary(BW,[r1 c1], 'W');
```

Plot the contour on the image.

```
hold on  
plot(contour(:,2),contour(:,1), 'g', 'LineWidth', 2)
```



Pick a point on the boundary of a second object. This example uses the coordinates of a pixel near the upper-left corner of the largest rectangle. Trace the first fifty boundary pixels in the clockwise direction.

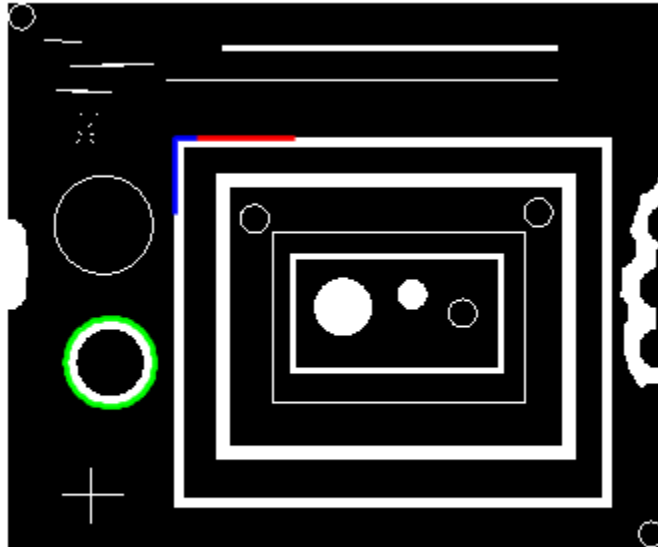
```
r2 = 68;
c2 = 95;
contourCW = bwtraceboundary(BW, [r2 c2], 'W', 8, 50, 'clockwise');
```

Starting at the same point on the second object boundary, trace the first fifty boundary pixels in the counterclockwise direction.

```
contourCCW = bwtraceboundary(BW, [r2 c2], 'W', 8, 50, 'counterclockwise');
```

Plot the clockwise contour on the image in red. Plot the counterclockwise contour on the image in blue.

```
plot(contourCW(:,2), contourCW(:,1), 'r', 'LineWidth', 2)
plot(contourCCW(:,2), contourCCW(:,1), 'b', 'LineWidth', 2)
```



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix

Binary image, specified as a 2-D numeric or logical matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

P — Coordinates of starting point

2-element vector

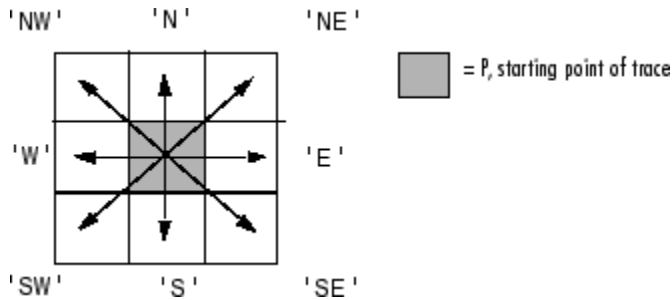
Coordinates of starting point on the object boundary where you want the tracing to begin, specified as a 2-element vector of the format `[row column]`.

Data Types: double

fstep — Initial search direction

'N' | 'NE' | 'E' | 'SE' | 'S' | 'SW' | 'W' | 'NW'

Initial search direction for the next object pixel connected to P, specified as a character vector or string scalar as depicted in the diagram.



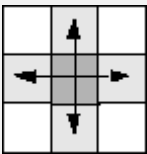
Note When the connectivity conn is 4, fstep is limited to the values 'N', 'E', 'S', and 'W'.

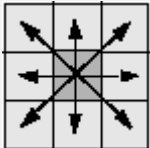
Data Types: char | string

conn — Pixel connectivity

8 (default) | 4

Pixel connectivity, specified as 8 or 4.

Value	Meaning
Two-Dimensional Connectivities	
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction. 

Value	Meaning
8-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.</p> 

Data Types: double

m — Maximum number of boundary pixels to extract

Inf (default) | positive integer

Maximum number of boundary pixels to extract, specified as a positive integer. By default, m is Inf and `bwtraceboundary` identifies all the pixels on the boundary.

Data Types: double

dir — Direction in which to trace boundary

'clockwise' (default) | 'counterclockwise'

Direction in which to trace boundary, specified as 'clockwise' or 'counterclockwise'.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

B — Row and column coordinates of boundary pixels

q-by-2 matrix

Row and column coordinates of the boundary pixels for the region, returned as a q-by-2 matrix. Each row in B has the form [row column].

Algorithms

The `bwtraceboundary` function implements the Moore-Neighbor tracing algorithm modified by Jacob's stopping criteria. This function is based on the `boundaries` function presented in the first edition of *Digital Image Processing Using MATLAB*, by Gonzalez, R. C., R. E. Woods, and S. L. Eddins, New Jersey, Pearson Prentice Hall, 2004.

References

- [1] Gonzalez, R. C., R. E. Woods, and S. L. Eddins, *Digital Image Processing Using MATLAB*, New Jersey, Pearson Prentice Hall, 2004.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwtraceboundary` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, the `dir`, `fstep`, and `conn` arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

`bwboundaries` | `bwperim`

Introduced before R2006a

bwulterode

Ultimate erosion

Syntax

```
BW2 = bwulterode(BW)
BW2 = bwulterode(BW,method)
BW2 = bwulterode( ____,conn)
```

Description

`BW2 = bwulterode(BW)` computes the ultimate erosion of the binary image `BW`. The ultimate erosion of `BW` consists of the regional maxima of the Euclidean distance transform of the complement of `BW`.

`BW2 = bwulterode(BW,method)` specifies the distance transform method.

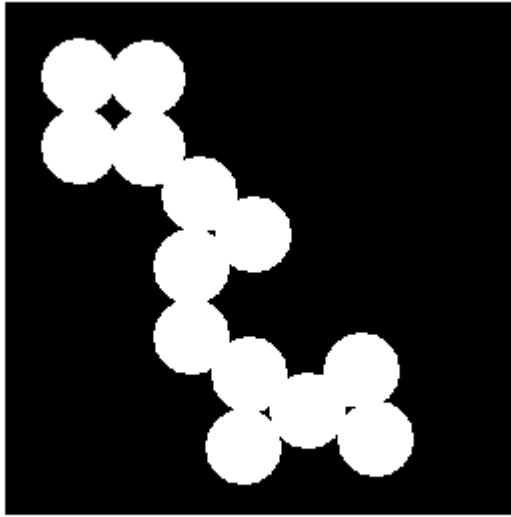
`BW2 = bwulterode(____,conn)` specifies the pixel connectivity.

Examples

Perform Ultimate Erosion of Binary Image

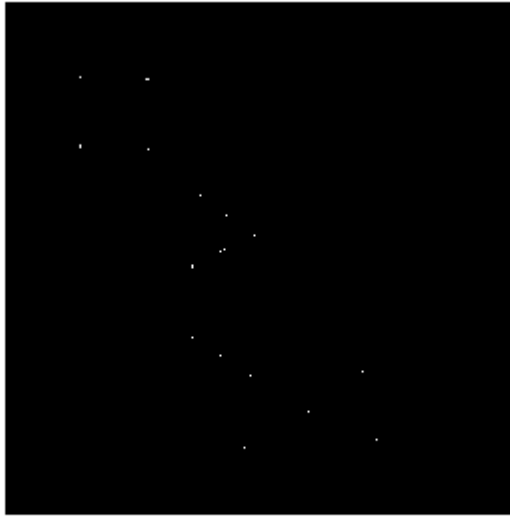
Read a binary image into the workspace and display it.

```
originalBW = imread('circles.png');
imshow(originalBW)
```

Perform the ultimate erosion of the image and display it.

```
ultimateErosion = bwulterode(originalBW);  
figure, imshow(ultimateErosion)
```



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

numeric array | logical array

Binary image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (true).

Example: `BW = imread('circles.png');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

method — Distance transform method

'euclidean' (default) | 'quasi-euclidean' | 'cityblock' | 'chessboard'

Distance transform method, specified as one of the values in this table.

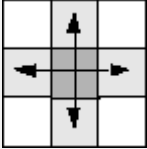
Method	Description
'chessboard'	In 2-D, the chessboard distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $\max(x_1 - x_2 , y_1 - y_2).$
'cityblock'	In 2-D, the cityblock distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $ x_1 - x_2 + y_1 - y_2 $
'euclidean'	In 2-D, the Euclidean distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $\sqrt{(x_1 - x_2)^2 + (y_1 - y_2)^2}.$
'quasi-euclidean'	In 2-D, the quasi-Euclidean distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $ x_1 - x_2 + (\sqrt{2} - 1) y_1 - y_2 , x_1 - x_2 > y_1 - y_2 $ $(\sqrt{2} - 1) x_1 - x_2 + y_1 - y_2 , \text{ otherwise.}$

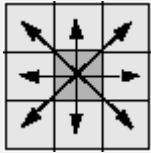
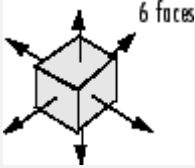
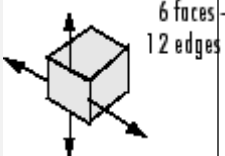
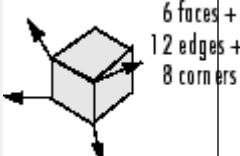
For more information, see “Distance Transform of a Binary Image”.

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning
Two-Dimensional Connectivities	
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction. 

Value	Meaning	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	
26-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	

For higher dimensions, `bwulterode` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(BW), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood

locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

BW2 — Eroded image

logical array

Eroded image, returned as a logical array of the same size as `BW`.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

`bwdist` | `conndef` | `imregionalmax`

Topics

“Distance Transform of a Binary Image”

Introduced before R2006a

bwunpack

Unpack binary image

Syntax

```
BW = bwunpack(BWP,m)
```

Description

`BW = bwunpack(BWP,m)` unpacks the packed binary image `BWP` into binary image `BW` with `m` rows.

Examples

Pack, Dilate, and Unpack Binary Image

Read binary image into the workspace.

```
BW = imread('text.png');  
imshow(BW)
```

**The term watershed
refers to a ridge that ...**

**... divides areas
drained by different
river systems.**

Pack the image.

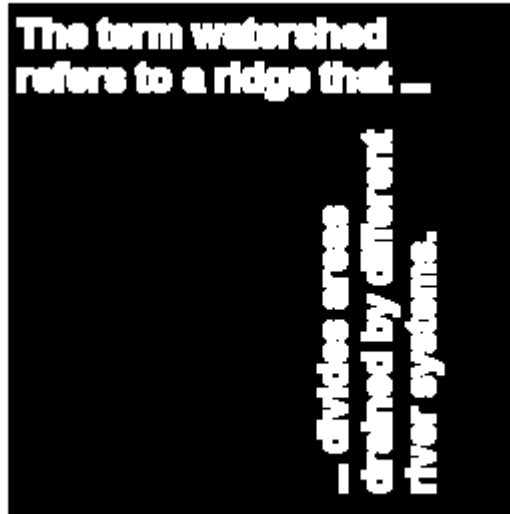
```
BWp = bwpack(BW);
```

Dilate the packed image.

```
BWp_dilated = imdilate(BWp,ones(3,3),'ispacked');
```

Unpack the dilated image and display it.

```
BW_dilated = bwunpack(BWp_dilated, size(BW,1));  
imshow(BW_dilated)
```



Input Arguments

BWP — Packed binary image

2-D numeric matrix

Packed binary image, specified as a 2-D numeric array of data type `uint32`.

Data Types: `uint32`

m — Number of image rows

positive integer

Number of image rows, specified as a positive integer. The default value of `m` is `32*size(BWP,1)`.

Data Types: `uint32`

Output Arguments

BW — Unpacked binary image

m-by-n logical matrix

Unpacked binary image, returned as a logical matrix with m rows.

Data Types: `logical`

Algorithms

When `bwunpack` unpacks `BWP`, the function maps the least significant bit of the first row of `BWP` to the first pixel in the first row of `BW`. The most significant bit of the first element of `BWP` maps to the first pixel in the 32nd row of `BW`, and so on.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `bwunpack` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `bwunpack` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, all input arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

`bwpack` | `imdilate` | `imerode`

Introduced before R2006a

camresponse

Estimate camera response function

Syntax

```
crf = camresponse(files)
crf = camresponse(imds)
crf = camresponse( ____, 'ExposureTimes', expTimes)
```

Description

`crf = camresponse(files)` estimates the camera response function from a set of spatially registered, low dynamic range (LDR) images listed in `files`.

`crf = camresponse(imds)` estimates the camera response function from a set of spatially registered LDR images stored as an `ImageDatastore` object, `imds`.

`crf = camresponse(____, 'ExposureTimes', expTimes)` specifies the exposure time for each image in the input set using a name-value pair. You can specify this name-value pair in addition to the input argument from any of the previous syntaxes.

Examples

Estimate Camera Response Function from Set of Images

Estimate the camera response function from a set of six low dynamic range (LDR) color images and their exposure times read from the EXIF metadata. Plot the estimated output values as a curve.

Specify a set of six spatially registered LDR images. These LDR images have same f-stop values and varying exposure times.

```
files = ["office_1.jpg", "office_2.jpg", "office_3.jpg", ...
        "office_4.jpg", "office_5.jpg", "office_6.jpg"];
```

Estimate the camera response function from the set of specified images.

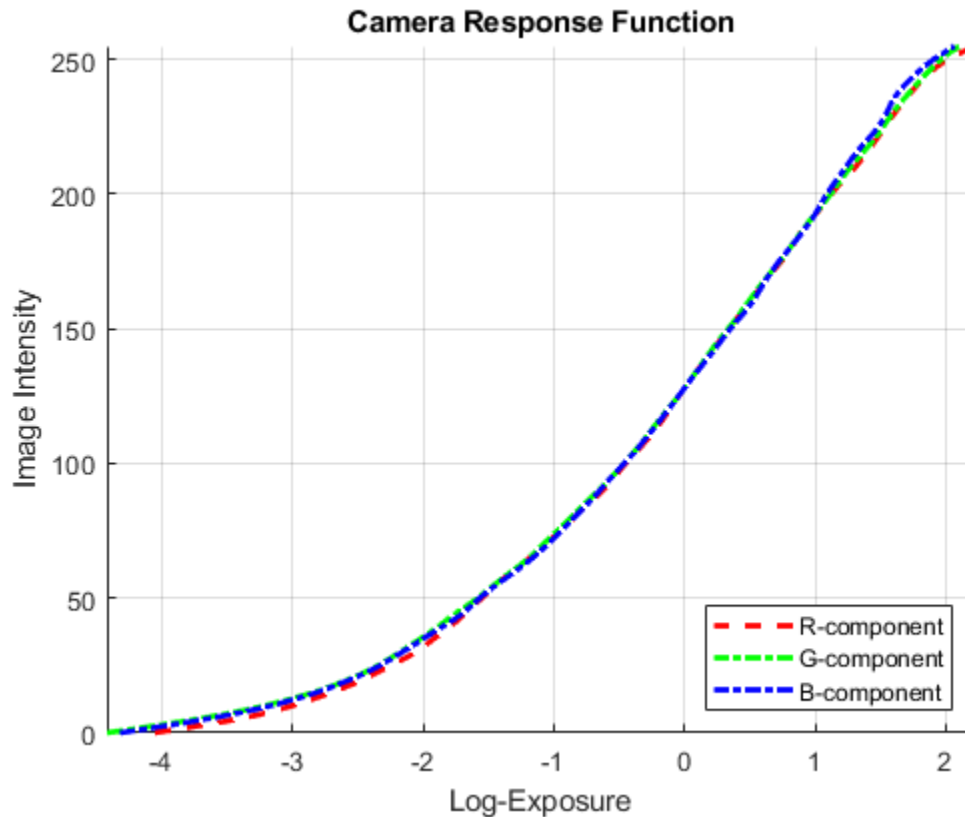
```
crf = camresponse(files);
```

Specify the range of intensity levels in the input images.

```
range = 0:length(crf)-1;
```

Plot the estimated camera response function for each of the red, green, and blue color components. The plot shows the relationship between log-exposure and image intensity.

```
figure,  
hold on  
plot(crf(:,1),range,'--r','LineWidth',2);  
plot(crf(:,2),range,'-.g','LineWidth',2);  
plot(crf(:,3),range,'-.b','LineWidth',2);  
xlabel('Log-Exposure');  
ylabel('Image Intensity');  
title('Camera Response Function');  
grid on  
axis('tight')  
legend('R-component','G-component','B-component','Location','southeast')
```



Estimate Camera Response Function from Images in Datastore

Estimate the camera response function from a set of six low dynamic range color images stored as an `ImageDatastore` object. Compute the output values using exposure times. Plot the output values as a curve.

Read the set of six spatially registered LDR images into the workspace. Create an `ImageDatastore` object containing these images..

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata','office_*');  
imds = imageDatastore(setDir);
```

Specify the exposure time for each image in the `ImageDatastore` object.

```
expTimes = [0.0333 0.1000 0.3333 0.6250 1.3000 4.0000];
```

Specifying the exposure times, estimate the camera response function from the images in the datastore.

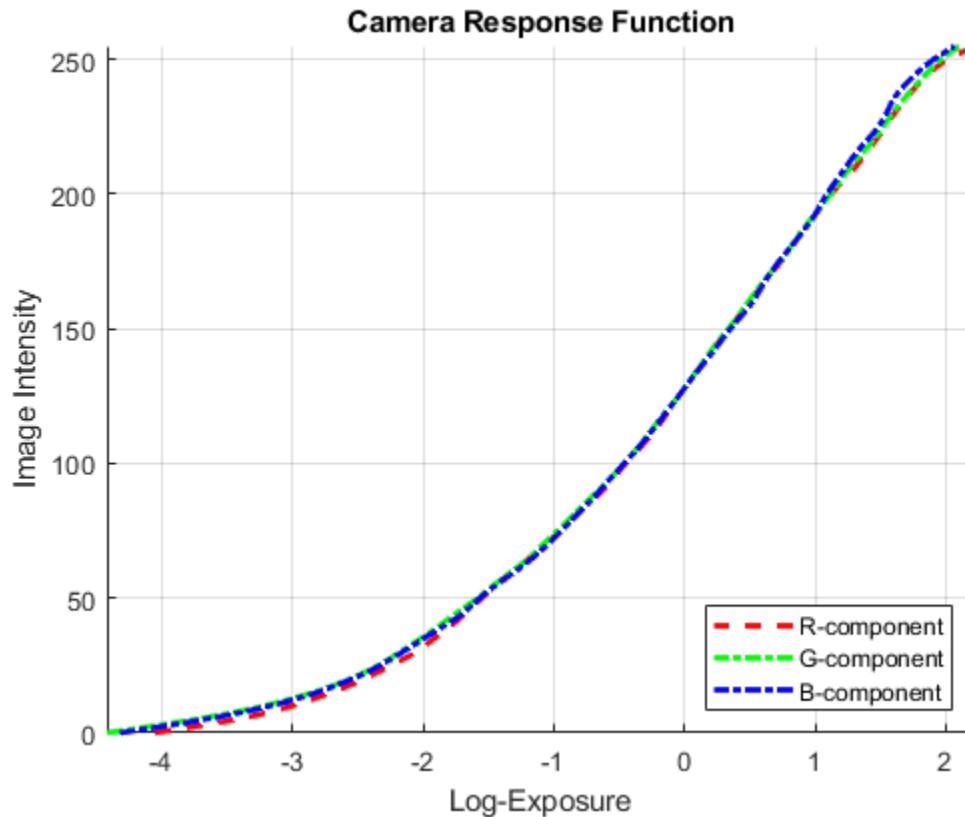
```
crf = camresponse(imds, 'ExposureTimes', expTimes);
```

Specify the range of intensity values in the input images.

```
range = 0:length(crf)-1;
```

Plot the estimated camera response function for each of the R, G, and B color components. The plot shows the relationship between log-exposure and image intensity.

```
figure,  
hold on  
plot(crf(:,1),range,'--r','LineWidth',2);  
plot(crf(:,2),range,'-.g','LineWidth',2);  
plot(crf(:,3),range,'-.b','LineWidth',2);  
xlabel('Log-Exposure');  
ylabel('Image Intensity');  
title('Camera Response Function');  
grid on  
axis('tight')  
legend('R-component','G-component','B-component','Location','southeast')
```



Input Arguments

files — Set of spatially registered LDR images

string array | cell array of character vectors

Set of spatially registered LDR images, specified as a string array or a cell array of character vectors. These images can be color or grayscale of any bit depth. However, the preferred bit depth for LDR images is 8 or 16.

Data Types: char | string | cell

imds — Set of spatially registered LDR images

ImageDatastore object

Set of spatially registered LDR images, specified as an `ImageDatastore` object. These images can be color or grayscale of any bit depth. However, the preferred bit depth for LDR images is 8 or 16.

expTimes — Exposure time of input images

numeric vector of positive values

Exposure time of input images, specified as a numeric vector of positive values. The k th element in the vector corresponds to the k th LDR image in the input set. If you specify `expTimes`, the function overrides the EXIF exposure metadata.

Example: `camresponse(files, 'ExposureTimes', [0.1 0.3 0.4]);`

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

crf — Estimate of camera response function

n -by-1 vector | n -by-3 matrix

Estimate of camera response function, returned as an n -by-1 vector for grayscale images and n -by-3 matrix for color images. The camera response function maps the log-exposure value (scene radiance) to the intensity levels in the input images. The value of n is $2^{\text{bit depth}}$. For example, if the bit depth of the input set of images is 8, then n is 256.

Data Types: `double`

Note

- This function requires a minimum of two images with different exposure times. A larger number of images yields a better estimate of `crf` at the expense of more processing time.
- The input image files in `files` and `imds` must contain the Exchangeable Image File Format (EXIF) exposure metadata. To estimate the `crf` values, the function reads the exposure time in the EXIF metadata. If you specify `expTimes`, the function overrides the exposure time in the EXIF metadata.

References

- [1] Debevec, P.E., and J. Malik. "Recovering High Dynamic Range Radiance Maps from Photographs." In *ACM SIGGRAPH 2008 classes*, Article No. 31. New York, NY: ACM, 2008.

See Also

hdrread | hdrwrite | makehdr

Introduced in R2019a

checkerboard

Create checkerboard image

Syntax

I = checkerboard
I = checkerboard(n)
I = checkerboard(n, p, q)

Description

I = checkerboard creates an 8-by-8 square checkerboard image that has four identifiable corners. The checkerboard pattern is made up of tiles. Each tile contains four squares, each with a default of 10 pixels per side. The light squares on the left half of the checkerboard are white. The light squares on the right half of the checkerboard are gray.

TILE = [DARK LIGHT; LIGHT DARK]



I = checkerboard(n) creates an 8-by-8 square checkerboard image where each square has n pixels per side.

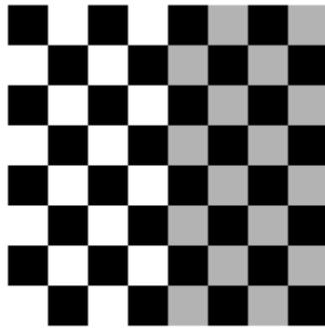
I = checkerboard(n, p, q) creates a rectangular checkerboard image where p specifies the number of rows of tiles and q specifies the number of columns of tiles. If you omit q, the number of columns defaults to p and the checkerboard is square. Each square has n pixels per side.

Examples

Create Square Checkerboard

Create a checkerboard where the side of every square is 20 pixels in length.

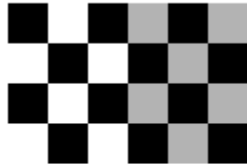
```
I = checkerboard(20);  
Display the checkerboard.  
imshow(I)
```



Create Rectangular Checkerboard

Create a rectangular checkerboard that is 2 tiles high and 3 tiles wide. The side of every square is 20 pixels in length.

```
J = checkerboard(20,2,3);  
Display the checkerboard.  
figure  
imshow(J)
```



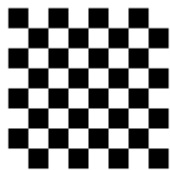
Create Black and White Checkerboard

Create a black and white checkerboard with the default tile size and the default number of rows and columns.

```
K = (checkerboard > 0.5);
```

Display the checkerboard.

```
figure  
imshow(K)
```



Input Arguments

n — Side length in pixels of each square in the checkerboard pattern

10 (default) | positive integer

Side length in pixels of each square in the checkerboard pattern, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

p — Number of rows of tiles in the checkerboard pattern

8 (default) | positive integer

Number of rows of tiles in the checkerboard pattern, specified as a positive integer. Since there are four squares per tile, there are $2 \times p$ rows of squares in the checkerboard.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

q — Number of columns of tiles in the checkerboard pattern

positive integer

Number of columns of tiles in the checkerboard pattern, specified as a positive integer. If you omit `q`, the value defaults to `p` and the checkerboard is square. Since there are four squares per tile, there are $2 \times q$ columns of squares in the checkerboard.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

I — Rectangular image with a checkerboard pattern

2-D numeric array

Rectangular image with a checkerboard pattern, returned as a 2-D numeric array. The light squares on the left half of the checkerboard are white. The light squares on the right half of the checkerboard are gray.

Data Types: `double`

See Also

`fitgeotrans` | `imwarp`

Introduced before R2006a

chromadapt

Adjust color balance of RGB image with chromatic adaptation

Syntax

```
B = chromadapt(A,illuminant)
B = chromadapt(A,illuminant,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = chromadapt(A,illuminant)` adjusts the color balance of sRGB image `A` according to the scene illuminant. The illuminant must be in the same color space as the input image.

`B = chromadapt(A,illuminant,Name,Value)` adjusts the color balance of `A` using name-value pairs to control additional options.

Examples

Color Balance Image by Specifying Gray Pixel

Read an image with a strong yellow color cast. Display the image, specifying an optional magnification to shrink the size of the displayed image.

```
A = imread('hallway.jpg');
figure
imshow(A,'InitialMagnification',25)
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Pick a pixel in the image that should look white or gray, such as a point on a pillar. Do not pick a saturated pixel, such as a point on the ceiling light.

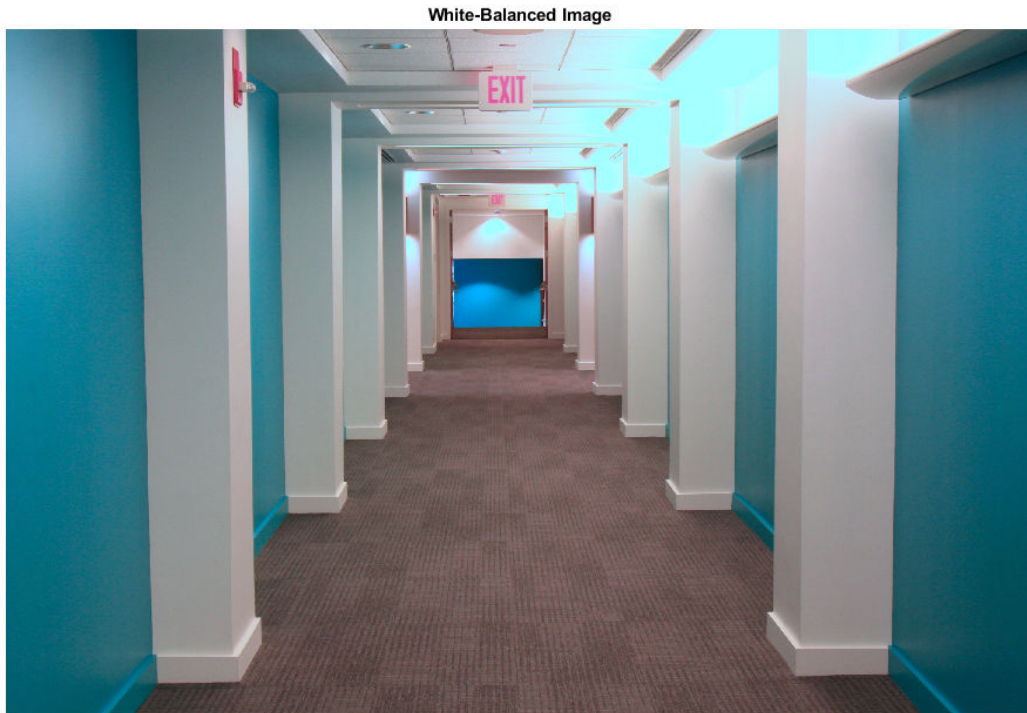
```
x = 2800;  
y = 1000;  
gray_val = [A(y,x,1) A(y,x,2) A(y,x,3)];
```

Use the selected color as reference for the scene illumination, and correct the white balance of the image.

```
B = chromadapt(A,gray_val);
```

Display the corrected image, setting an optional initial magnification.


```
figure
imshow(B, 'InitialMagnification', 25)
title('White-Balanced Image')
```



The pillars are now white as expected, and the rest of the image has no yellow tint.

Color Balance Image in Linear RGB Color Space

Open an image file containing minimally processed linear RGB intensities.

```
A = imread('foosballraw.tiff');
```

The image data is the raw sensor data after correcting the black level and scaling to 16 bits per pixel. Interpolate the intensities to reconstruct color. The color filter array pattern is RGGB.

```
A = demosaic(A, 'rggb');
```

Display the image. Because the image is in linear RGB color space, apply gamma correction so the image appears correctly on the screen. To shrink the image so that it appears fully on the screen, set the optional initial magnification to a value less than 100

```
A_sRGB = lin2rgb(A);  
figure  
imshow(A_sRGB, 'InitialMagnification', 25)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



The image has a ColorChecker chart in the scene. To get the color of the ambient light, pick a pixel on one of the neutral patches of the chart.

```
x = 1510;  
y = 1250;  
light_color = [A(y,x,1) A(y,x,2) A(y,x,3)]
```

```
light_color = 1x3 uint16 row vector
```

```
    7361    14968    10258
```

The intensity of the red channel is lower than the intensity of the other two channels, which indicates the light is bluish green.

Balance the color channels of the image. Use the 'ColorSpace' option to specify that the image and the illuminant are expressed in linear RGB.

```
B = chromadapt(A,light_color,'ColorSpace','linear-rgb');
```

Display the corrected image, applying gamma correction and setting the initial magnification.

```
B_sRGB = lin2rgb(B);  
figure  
imshow(B_sRGB,'InitialMagnification',25)  
title('White-Balanced Image')
```

White-Balanced Image



Confirm that the gray patch has been color balanced.

```
patch_color = [B(y,x,1) B(y,x,2) B(y,x,3)]
```

```
patch_color = 1x3 uint16 row vector
```

```
13010 13010 13010
```

The three color channels in the color-balanced gray patch have similar intensities, as expected.

Input Arguments

A — Input RGB image

real, nonsparse, *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array

Input RGB image, specified as a real, nonsparse, *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

illuminant — Scene illuminant

real, nonempty, 3-element vector

Scene illuminant, specified as a real, nonempty, 3-element vector. The illuminant must be in the same color space as the input image, *A*.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of *Name*, *Value* arguments. *Name* is the argument name and *Value* is the corresponding value. *Name* must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as *Name1*, *Value1*, ..., *NameN*, *ValueN*.

Example: `I2 = chromadapt(I,uint8([22 97 118]),'ColorSpace','linear-rgb')` adjusts the color balance of an image, *I*, in linear RGB color space.

ColorSpace — Color space

'srgb' (default) | 'adobe-rgb-1998' | 'linear-rgb'

Color space of the input image and illuminant, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ColorSpace' and 'srgb', 'adobe-rgb-1998', or 'linear-rgb'. Use the 'linear-rgb' option to adjust the color balance of an RGB image whose intensities are linear.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Method — Chromatic adaptation method

'bradford' (default) | 'vonkries' | 'simple'

Chromatic adaptation method used to scale the RGB values in *A*, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Method' and one of:

- 'bradford'—Scale using the Bradford cone response model
- 'vonkries'—Scale using the von Kries cone response model
- 'simple'—Scale using the illuminant

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

B — Color-balanced RGB image

m-by-*n*-by-3 array

Color-balanced RGB image, returned as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array. B has the same data type as A.

References

- [1] Lindbloom, Bruce. Chromatic Adaptation. http://www.brucelindbloom.com/index.html?Eqn_ChromAdapt.html.

See Also

`colorangle` | `illumgray` | `illumpca` | `illumwhite` | `whitepoint`

Introduced in R2017b

col2im

Rearrange matrix columns into blocks

Syntax

```
A = col2im(B,[m n],[M N])
A = col2im(B,[m n],[M N],'sliding')
A = col2im(B,[m n],[M N],'distinct')
```

Description

`A = col2im(B,[m n],[M N])` or

`A = col2im(B,[m n],[M N],'sliding')` rearranges the row vector `B` into neighborhoods of size `m-by-n` to create the matrix `A` of size `(M-m+1)-by-(N-n+1)`.

The row vector `B` is usually the result of processing the output of `im2col(...,'sliding')` using a column compression function, such as `sum`.

`A = col2im(B,[m n],[M N],'distinct')` rearranges each column of matrix `B` into a distinct `m-by-n` block to create the matrix `A` of size `M-by-N`.

For example, if `B` consists of column vectors `Bi(:)` with length `m*n`, arranged as `B = [B1(:) B2(:) B3(:) B4(:)]`, then `A = [B1 B3; B2 B4]` where each block `Bi` has size `m-by-n`.

Examples

Rearrange Matrix Values into Row-wise Orientation

Create a matrix.

```
B = reshape(uint8(1:25),[5 5])'
```

```
B = 5x5 uint8 matrix
```

```
 1  2  3  4  5
 6  7  8  9 10
11 12 13 14 15
16 17 18 19 20
21 22 23 24 25
```

Rearrange the values in the matrix into a column-wise arrangement.

```
C = im2col(B,[1 5])
```

```
C = 5x5 uint8 matrix
```

```
 1  6 11 16 21
 2  7 12 17 22
 3  8 13 18 23
 4  9 14 19 24
 5 10 15 20 25
```

Rearrange the values in the matrix back into their original row-wise orientation.

```
A = col2im(C,[1 5],[5 5],'distinct')
```

```
A = 5x5 uint8 matrix
```

```
 1  2  3  4  5
 6  7  8  9 10
11 12 13 14 15
16 17 18 19 20
21 22 23 24 25
```

Input Arguments

B — Image blocks

matrix | row vector

Image blocks, specified as one of the following.

- For distinct block processing, B is a numeric or logical matrix with $m*n$ rows. Each column corresponds to one block.
- For sliding neighborhood processing, B is a numeric or logical row vector of size $1\text{-by-}(M-m+1)*(N-n+1)$.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

[m n] — Block size

2-element vector of positive integers

Block size, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. m is the number of rows and n is the number of columns in each block. $m*n$ must be equal to the number of rows of B .

Data Types: `double`

[M N] — Image size

2-element vector of positive integers

Image size, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. M is the number of rows and N is the number of columns in the image.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

A — Reconstructed image

numeric matrix

Reconstructed image, returned as a numeric matrix of size $M\text{-by-}N$ for distinct block processing, or $(M-m+1)\text{-by-}(N-n+1)$ for sliding block processing. A has the same data type as B .

See Also

`blockproc` | `colfilt` | `im2col` | `nlfilter` | `reshape`

Introduced before R2006a

colfilt

Columnwise neighborhood operations

Syntax

```
B = colfilt(A,[m n],block_type,fun)
B = colfilt(A,[m n],[mblock nblock],block_type,fun)
B = colfilt(A,'indexed',___)
```

Description

`B = colfilt(A,[m n],block_type,fun)` processes the image `A` by rearranging each `m`-by-`n` block of `A` into a column of a temporary matrix, and then applying the function `fun` to this matrix. `colfilt` zero-pads `A`, if necessary.

`B = colfilt(A,[m n],[mblock nblock],block_type,fun)` subdivides `A` into regions of size `m`-by-`n` blocks to save memory. Note that the result of the operation does not change when using the `[mblock nblock]` argument.

For example, if `[mblock nblock]` is `[3 4]` and the size of each block is 16-by-16 pixels, then `colfilt` subdivides the image into regions of size 48-by-64 pixels and processes each region separately.

`B = colfilt(A,'indexed',___)` processes `A` as an indexed image, padding with 0s if the class of `A` is `uint8`, `uint16`, or `logical`, and padding with 1s otherwise.

Examples

Perform Columnwise Neighborhood Filtering on Image

This example shows how to set each output pixel to the mean value of the input pixel's 5-by-5 neighborhood using columnwise neighborhood processing.

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('tire.tif');
```

Perform columnwise filtering. The function `mean` is called on each 5-by-5 pixel neighborhood.

```
I2 = uint8(colfilt(I,[5 5], 'sliding', @mean));
```

Display the original image and the filtered image.

```
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



```
figure  
imshow(I2)  
title('Filtered Image')
```

Filtered Image



Input Arguments

A — Image

array

Image, specified as an array of any class supported by `fun`.

[m n] — Block size

2-element vector of positive integers

Block size, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. `m` is the number of rows and `n` is the number of columns in each block.

[mblock nblock] — Block group size

2-element vector of positive integers

Block group size, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. `mblock` is the number of blocks in the group in the vertical direction, and `nblock` is the number of blocks in the group in the horizontal direction.

block_type — Block type

'sliding' | 'distinct'

Block type, specified as 'sliding' for sliding neighborhoods or 'distinct' for distinct blocks.

Data Types: char | string

fun — Function handle

handle

Function handle, specified as a handle. The input and output arguments to this function depend on the value of `block_type`. For more information, see “Algorithms” on page 1-351.

For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

numeric matrix

Filtered image, returned as a numeric matrix.

Algorithms

The algorithm that `colfilt` uses to process images depends on the value of `block_type`.

Value	Description
'distinct'	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First, <code>colfilt</code> rearranges each m-by-n block of A into a column in a temporary matrix by using the <code>im2col</code> function. Next, <code>colfilt</code> applies the function <code>fun</code> to this temporary matrix. <code>fun</code> must return a matrix the same size as the temporary matrix. Finally, <code>colfilt</code> rearranges the columns of the matrix returned by <code>fun</code> into m-by-n distinct blocks, by using the <code>col2im</code> function.

Value	Description
'sliding'	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First, <code>colfilt</code> rearranges each m-by-n neighborhood of A into a column in a temporary matrix by using the <code>im2col</code> function.• Next, <code>colfilt</code> applies the function <code>fun</code> to this temporary matrix. <code>fun</code> must return a row vector containing a single value for each column in the temporary matrix. (Column compression functions such as <code>sum</code> return the appropriate type of output.)• Finally, <code>colfilt</code> reshapes the vector returned by <code>fun</code> into a matrix the same size as A, by using the <code>reshape</code> function.

To save memory, the `colfilt` function might divide A into subimages and process one subimage at a time. This implies that `fun` may be called multiple times, and that the first argument to `fun` may have a different number of columns each time.

See Also

`blockproc` | `col2im` | `im2col` | `nlfilter` | `reshape`

Topics

“Use Column-wise Processing to Speed Up Sliding Neighborhood or Distinct Block Operations”

“Border Padding Behavior in Sliding Neighborhood Operations”

“Anonymous Functions” (MATLAB)

“Parameterizing Functions” (MATLAB)

“Create Function Handle” (MATLAB)

Introduced before R2006a

colorangle

Angle between two RGB vectors

Syntax

```
angle = colorangle(rgb1,rgb2)
```

Description

`angle = colorangle(rgb1,rgb2)` computes the angle in degrees between two RGB vectors.

Examples

Compare Accuracy of Illuminant Estimation Algorithms

Open a test image. The image is the raw data captured with a Canon EOS 30D digital camera after correcting the black level and scaling the intensities to 16 bits per pixel. No demosaicing, white balancing, color enhancement, noise filtering, or gamma correction has been applied.

```
A = imread('foosballraw.tiff');
```

Interpolate using the `demosaic` function to obtain a color image. The color filter array pattern is RGGB.

```
A_demosaiced = demosaic(A,'rggb');
```

The image contains a ColorChecker chart. Specify the ground truth illuminant, which was calculated in advance using the neutral patches of the chart.

```
illuminant_groundtruth = [0.0717 0.1472 0.0975];
```

To avoid skewing the estimation of the illuminant, exclude the ColorChecker chart by creating a mask.

```
mask = true(size(A_demosaiced,1), size(A_demosaiced,2));
mask(920:1330,1360:1900) = false;
```

Run three different illuminant estimation algorithms: `illumwhite`, `illumgray`, and `illumpca`.

```
illuminant_whitepatch = illumwhite(A_demosaiced, 'Mask', mask);
illuminant_grayworld = illumgray(A_demosaiced, 'Mask', mask);
illuminant_pca = illumpca(A_demosaiced, 'Mask', mask);
```

Compare each estimation against the ground truth by calculating the angle between each estimated illuminant and the ground truth using the `colorangle` function. The smaller the angle, the better the estimation. The magnitude of the estimation does not matter because only the direction of the illuminant is used to white-balance an image with chromatic adaptation.

```
angle_whitepatch = colorangle(illuminant_whitepatch, illuminant_groundtruth)
```

```
angle_whitepatch = 5.0921
```

```
angle_grayworld = colorangle(illuminant_grayworld, illuminant_groundtruth)
```

```
angle_grayworld = 5.1036
```

```
angle_pca = colorangle(illuminant_pca, illuminant_groundtruth)
```

```
angle_pca = 5.0134
```

The value of `angle_pca` is smallest, indicating that the PCA illuminant estimation algorithm is closest to the ground truth illumination for this image.

Input Arguments

rgb1 — First RGB vector

3-element numeric vector

First RGB vector, specified as a 3-element numeric vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

rgb2 — Second RGB vector

3-element numeric vector

Second RGB vector, specified as a 3-element numeric vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

angle — Angle between RGB vectors

numeric scalar

Angle between RGB vectors, returned as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

Definitions

Angular Error

Angular error is a useful metric to evaluate the estimation of an illuminant against the ground truth. The smaller the angle between the ground truth illuminant and the estimated illuminant, the better the estimate.

See Also

`chromadapt` | `illumgray` | `illumpca` | `illumwhite` | `whitepoint`

Introduced in R2017b

colorcloud

Display 3-D color gamut as point cloud in specified color space

Syntax

```
colorcloud(rgb)
colorcloud(rgb, colorspace)
colorcloud( ____, Name, Value)
hPanel = colorcloud( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

`colorcloud(rgb)` displays the full color gamut of the color image `rgb` as a point cloud. By default, `colorcloud` uses the RGB color space.

`colorcloud(rgb, colorspace)` displays the full color gamut of the color image `rgb` as a point cloud in the color space specified by `colorspace`.

`colorcloud(____, Name, Value)` displays the full color gamut using name-value pairs to control aspects of the visualization.

`hPanel = colorcloud(____, Name, Value)` returns the uipanel object created by `colorcloud`.

Examples

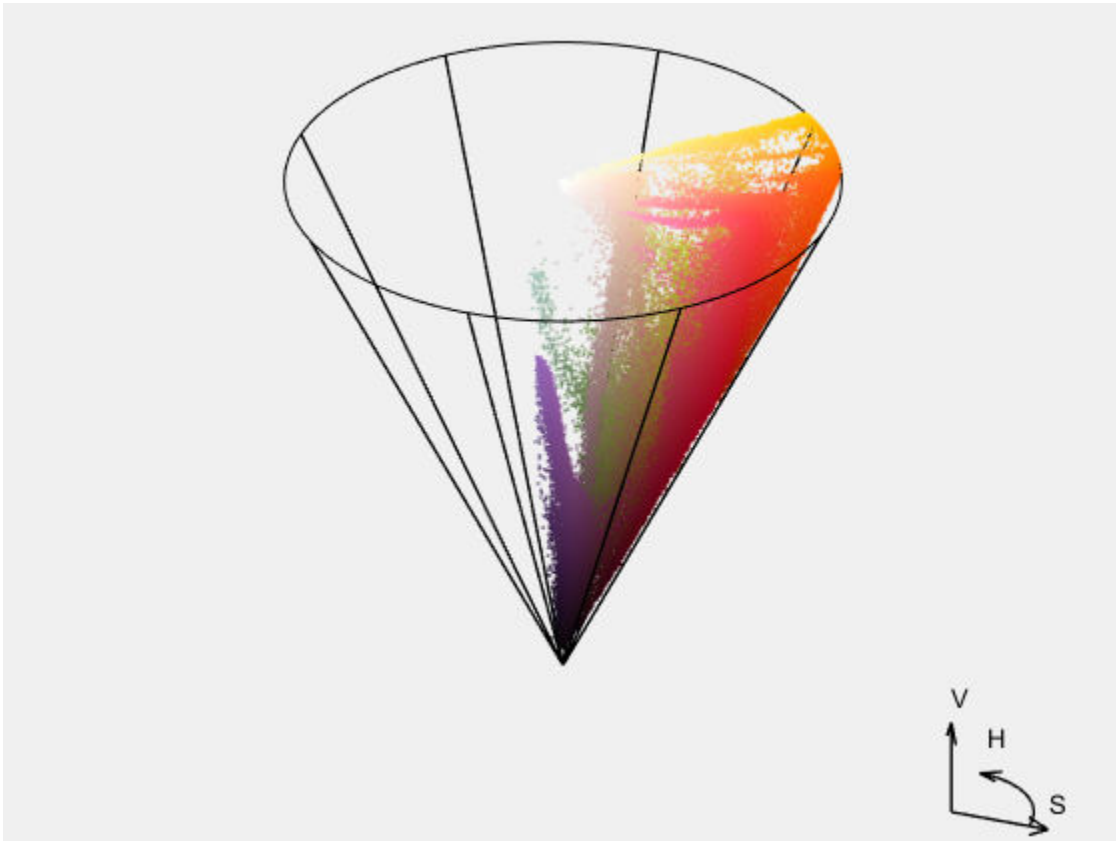
View 3D Color Gamut of RGB Image in HSV Color Space

Read in RGB image

```
RGB = imread('peppers.png');
```

View color gamut

```
colorcloud(RGB, 'hsv');
```



Input Arguments

rgb — Color image

m-by-*n*-by-3 array

Color image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array.

Data Types: single | double | uint8 | uint16

colorspace — Colorspace name

'rgb' (default) | 'hsv' | 'ycbcr' | 'lab'

Colorspace name, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'hsv'	Color gamut in HSV color space
'lab'	Color gamut in CIE 1976 L*a*b* color space
'rgb'	Color gamut in RGB color space
'ycbcr'	Color gamut in YCbCr color space

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example:

Parent — Parent of the object created by `colorcloud`

`new figure` (default)

Parent of the object created by `colorcloud`, specified as a figure or `uipanel` object. If you do not specify a valid object, `colorcloud` creates a new figure window.

BackgroundColor — Color used as background to the color cloud

`[0.94 0.94 0.94]` (default) | `colormap`

Color used as background to the color cloud, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec`.

WireFrameColor — Color of the color space wire frame

`'black'` (default) | `colormap`

Color of the color space wire frame, defined as MATLAB `ColorSpec`. If you specify the value `'none'`, `colorcloud` deletes the wire frame.

OrientationAxesColor — Color of the orientation axes and labels

`'black'` (default) | `colormap`

Color of the orientation axes and labels, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec`. If you specify the value `'none'`, `colorcloud` deletes the labels.

Output Arguments

hPanel — Color gamut point cloud

uipanel object

Color gamut point cloud, returned as a uipanel object.

See Also

Introduced in R2016b

conndef

Create connectivity array

Syntax

```
conn = conndef(num_dims,type)
```

Description

`conn = conndef(num_dims,type)` returns the pixel connectivity array defined by `type` for `num_dims` dimensions. Several Image Processing Toolbox functions use `conndef` to create the default connectivity input argument.

Examples

Create 2-D Connectivity Array with Minimal Connectivity

Create a 2-D connectivity array.

```
conn = conndef(2,'minimal')
```

```
conn = 3×3
```

```
  0     1     0
  1     1     1
  0     1     0
```

Create 2-D Connectivity Array with Maximal Connectivity

Create a 2-D connectivity array.

```
conn = conndef(2,'maximal')
```

```
conn = 3×3
```

```
    1    1    1
    1    1    1
    1    1    1
```

Create 3-D Connectivity Array with Minimal Connectivity

Create a 3-D connectivity array.

```
conndef(3, 'minimal')
```

```
ans =
```

```
ans(:,:,1) =
```

```
    0    0    0
    0    1    0
    0    0    0
```

```
ans(:,:,2) =
```

```
    0    1    0
    1    1    1
    0    1    0
```

```
ans(:,:,3) =
```

```
    0    0    0
    0    1    0
    0    0    0
```

Input Arguments

num_dims — Number of dimensions

positive integer

Number of dimensions, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

type — Type of neighborhood connectivity

`'minimal'` | `'maximal'`

Type of neighborhood connectivity, specified as `'minimal'` or `'maximal'`

Value	Description
<code>'minimal'</code>	Defines a neighborhood whose neighbors are touching the central element on an (N-1)-dimensional surface, for the N-dimensional case.
<code>'maximal'</code>	Defines a neighborhood including neighbors that touch the central element in any way; it is <code>ones (repmat (3 , 1 , NUM_DIMS))</code> .

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

conn — Pixel connectivity

3-by-3-by...-3 logical array

Pixel connectivity, returned as a 3-by-3-...-by-3 logical array. `conn` is symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `conndef` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

- When generating code, the `num_dims` and `type` arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

Introduced before R2006a

contains

Determine if image contains points in world coordinate system

Syntax

```
TF = contains(R,xWorld,yWorld)
TF = contains(R,xWorld,yWorld,zWorld)
```

Description

`TF = contains(R,xWorld,yWorld)` returns a logical array `TF`. Each element `TF(k)` is true if and only if the corresponding point `(xWorld(k),yWorld(k))` falls within the bounds of an image associated with 2-D spatial referencing object `R`.

`TF = contains(R,xWorld,yWorld,zWorld)` indicates whether each point falls within the bounds of an image associated with 3-D spatial referencing object `R`.

Examples

Check If Coordinates Fall Within 2-D Image Bounds

Read a 2-D image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Create an `imref2d` spatial referencing object associated with the image.

```
R = imref2d(size(I))
```

```
R =  
  imref2d with properties:
```

```
  XWorldLimits: [0.5000 256.5000]  
  YWorldLimits: [0.5000 256.5000]  
  ImageSize: [256 256]
```

```

PixelExtentInWorldX: 1
PixelExtentInWorldY: 1
ImageExtentInWorldX: 256
ImageExtentInWorldY: 256
  XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 256.5000]
  YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 256.5000]

```

Check if certain world coordinates are in the image.

```
res = contains(R,[5 8 8],[5 10 257])
```

```
res = 1x3 logical array
```

```

 1   1   0

```

This result indicates that the points (5,5) and (8,10) are within the image bounds, and that the point (8, 257) is outside the image bounds. This conclusion is consistent with the `XWorldLimits` and `YWorldLimits` properties of the spatial referencing object `R`.

Check If Coordinates Fall Within 3-D Image Bounds

Read a 3-D image into the workspace. This image consists of 27 frames of 128-by-128 pixel images.

```
load mri;
D = squeeze(D);
```

Create an `imref3d` spatial referencing object associated with the image.

```
R = imref3d(size(D))
```

```
R =
  imref3d with properties:
```

```

  XWorldLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
  YWorldLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
  ZWorldLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]
  ImageSize: [128 128 27]
PixelExtentInWorldX: 1
PixelExtentInWorldY: 1

```

```
PixelExtentInWorldZ: 1
ImageExtentInWorldX: 128
ImageExtentInWorldY: 128
ImageExtentInWorldZ: 27
  XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
  YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
  ZIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]
```

Check if certain 3-D world coordinates are in the image.

```
res = contains(R,[5 6 6 8],[5 10 10 257],[1 27.5 28 1])
```

res = 1x4 logical array

```
1 1 0 0
```

This result indicates that the points (5,5,1) and (6,10,27.5) are within the image bounds. The points (6,10,28) and (8,257,1) are outside the image bounds. This conclusion is consistent with the `XWorldLimits`, `YWorldLimits`, and `ZWorldLimits` properties of the spatial referencing object `R`.

Input Arguments

R — Spatial referencing object

`imref2d` or `imref3d` object

Spatial referencing object, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` object. `R` is associated with an image.

xWorld — Coordinates along the x-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the x-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

yWorld — Coordinates along the y-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the y-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `yWorld` is the same length as `xWorld`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

zWorld – Coordinates along the z-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the z-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `zWorld` is the same length as `xWorld` and `yWorld`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

TF – Flag indicating whether coordinates exist within the bounds of the image

logical scalar or vector

Flag indicating whether coordinates exist within the bounds of the image, returned as a logical scalar or vector. `TF` is the same length as the input coordinate vectors `xWorld`, `yWorld`, and (when relevant) `zWorld`.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

`imref2d` | `imref3d`

Introduced in R2013a

convmtx2

2-D convolution matrix

Syntax

```
T = convmtx2(H,m,n)
T = convmtx2(H,[m n])
```

Description

`T = convmtx2(H,m,n)` returns the convolution matrix `T` for the matrix `H`. If `X` is an m -by- n matrix, then `reshape(T*X(:),size(H)+[m n]-1)` is the same as `conv2(X,H)`.

`T = convmtx2(H,[m n])` returns the convolution matrix, where the dimensions m and n are a two-element vector.

Examples

Create a Convolution Matrix

Show that, for the convolution matrix `T` for the matrix `H`, if `X` is an m -by- n matrix, then `reshape(T*X(:),size(H)+[m n]-1)` is the same as `conv2(X,H)`

Description of first code block

```
H = ones(3,3)/9; % averaging filter 3-by-3
M = 5;
X = magic(M);
T = convmtx2(H,M,M);
Y1 = reshape(T*X(:), size(H)+[5 5]-1)
```

```
Y1 = 7×7
```

```
    1.8889    4.5556    4.6667    3.6667    2.6667    2.5556    1.6667
    4.4444    7.6667    8.5556    6.5556    6.7778    5.8889    3.4444
```

4.8889	8.7778	11.1111	10.8889	12.8889	10.5556	5.8889
4.1111	6.6667	11.0000	13.0000	15.0000	10.6667	4.5556
2.7778	6.7778	13.1111	15.1111	14.8889	8.5556	3.7778
2.3333	5.6667	10.5556	10.7778	8.7778	3.8889	1.3333
1.2222	3.2222	6.0000	5.0000	4.0000	1.2222	1.0000

```
Y2 = conv2(X,H)
```

```
Y2 = 7×7
```

1.8889	4.5556	4.6667	3.6667	2.6667	2.5556	1.6667
4.4444	7.6667	8.5556	6.5556	6.7778	5.8889	3.4444
4.8889	8.7778	11.1111	10.8889	12.8889	10.5556	5.8889
4.1111	6.6667	11.0000	13.0000	15.0000	10.6667	4.5556
2.7778	6.7778	13.1111	15.1111	14.8889	8.5556	3.7778
2.3333	5.6667	10.5556	10.7778	8.7778	3.8889	1.3333
1.2222	3.2222	6.0000	5.0000	4.0000	1.2222	1.0000

```
isequal(Y1,Y2) % They are the same.
```

```
ans = logical
      0
```

Input Arguments

H — Input matrix

numeric array

Input matrix, specified as a numeric array.

Data Types: double

m — Rows in convolution matrix

numeric scalar

Rows in convolution matrix, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: double

n — Columns in convolution matrix

numeric scalar

Columns in convolution matrix, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: double

[m n] — Dimensions of convolution matrix

numeric scalar

Dimensions of convolution matrix, specified as a two-element vector of the form [m n], where m is the number of rows and n is the number of columns.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

T — Convolution matrix

numeric array

Convolution matrix, returned as a numeric array. The output matrix T is of class `sparse`. The number of nonzero elements in T is no larger than `prod(size(H))*m*n`.

See Also

`conv2` | `convmtx`

Introduced before R2006a

corner

Find corner points in image

Note `corner` is not recommended. Use `detectHarrisFeatures` or `detectMinEigenFeatures` in Computer Vision Toolbox™ instead.

Syntax

```
C = corner(I)
C = corner(I,method)
C = corner(I,N)
C = corner(I,method,N)
C = corner( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`C = corner(I)` detects corners in image `I` and returns their coordinates in matrix `C`.

`C = corner(I,method)` detects corners in image `I` using the specified `method`.

`C = corner(I,N)` detects corners in image `I` and returns a maximum of `N` corners.

`C = corner(I,method,N)` detects corners using the specified `method` and maximum number of corners.

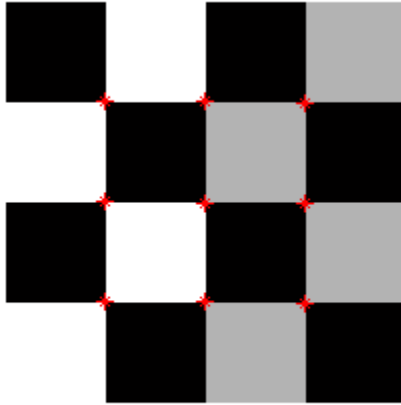
`C = corner(____,Name,Value)` specifies parameters and corresponding values that control various aspects of the corner detection algorithm.

Examples

Find Corner Points in Checkerboard Image

```
I = checkerboard(50,2,2);
C = corner(I);
```

```
imshow(I)
hold on
plot(C(:,1),C(:,2), 'r*');
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale or binary image

m-by-*n* numeric matrix

Grayscale or binary image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* numeric matrix.

method — Corner detection algorithm

'Harris' (default) | 'MinimumEigenvalue'

Corner detection method, specified as 'Harris' for the Harris corner detector, or 'MinimumEigenvalue' for Shi & Tomasi's minimum eigenvalue method.

N — Maximum number of corners

200 (default) | positive integer

Maximum number of corners that the corner function can return, specified as a positive integer.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `corner(I, 'QualityLevel', 0.2)` specifies the minimum quality level of corners in image `I` as `0.2`.

FilterCoefficients — Filter coefficients

numeric vector

Filter coefficients for the separable smoothing filter, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'FilterCoefficients'` and a numeric vector. The vector, `V`, must have odd length and a minimum length of 3. The outer product, `V*V'`, gives the full filter kernel. The default filter coefficients are given by `fspecial('gaussian', [5 1], 1.5)`.

QualityLevel — Minimum accepted quality

0.01 (default) | numeric scalar

Minimum accepted quality of corners, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'QualityLevel'` and a numeric scalar in the range (0, 1). For a quality level `Q`, the toolbox rejects candidate corners with corner metric values less than $Q * \max(\text{corner metric})$. Use larger values of `Q` to remove erroneous corners.

SensitivityFactor — Sensitivity factor

0.04 (default) | numeric scalar

Sensitivity factor used in the Harris detection algorithm, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'SensitivityFactor'` and a numeric scalar in the range (0, 0.25). The smaller the sensitivity factor, the more likely the algorithm is to detect sharp corners. Use this parameter with the `'Harris'` method only.

Output Arguments

C — Coordinates of corner points

p-by-2 matrix

x and *y* coordinates of the corner points detected in image `I`, returned as a *p*-by-2 matrix.

Data Types: double

Tips

The `corner` and `cornermetric` functions both detect corners in images. For most applications, use the streamlined `corner` function to find corners in one step. If you want greater control over corner selection, use the `cornermetric` function to compute a corner metric matrix and then write your own algorithm to find peak values.

Algorithms

The `corner` function performs nonmaxima suppression on candidate corners, and corners are at least two pixels apart.

Introduced in R2010b

cornermetric

(Not recommended) Create corner metric matrix from image

Note `cornermetric` is not recommended. Use `detectHarrisFeatures` or `detectMinEigenFeatures` and the `cornerPoints` object in Computer Vision Toolbox™ instead. For more information, see “Compatibility Considerations”.

Syntax

```
C = cornermetric(I)
C = cornermetric(I,method)
C = cornermetric( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`C = cornermetric(I)` creates a corner metric matrix by detecting corner features in the input image `I`.

`C = cornermetric(I,method)` creates a corner metric matrix by detecting corner features in the input image `I`. The corner detection method specified by `method` is used for finding the corner features.

`C = cornermetric(____,Name,Value)` specifies options using one or more name-value arguments in addition to the input arguments from any of the previous syntaxes.

Examples

Find Corner Features in a Binary Image

Read an input image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('circles.png');
```

Generate a corner metric matrix. Specify the filter coefficients. The corner detection method takes the default value 'Harris'.

```
filter = [0.25 0.5 0.25];  
C = cornermetric(I, 'FilterCoefficients', filter);
```

Use `imregionalmax` to detect corner features (pixels) from the corner metric matrix.

```
corner_peaks = imregionalmax(C);
```

Set the value of the detected corner pixels to [255 0 0].

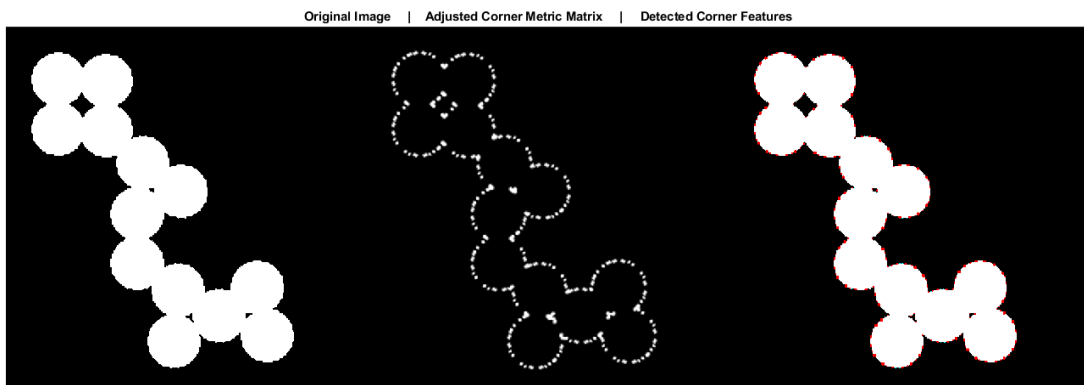
```
corner_idx = find(corner_peaks == true);  
[r,g,b] = deal(I);  
r(corner_idx) = 255;  
g(corner_idx) = 0;  
b(corner_idx) = 0;  
RGB = cat(3,r,g,b);
```

Adjust the corner metric matrix for viewing.

```
C_adjusted = imadjust(C);
```

Display the original image, adjusted corner metric and the detected corner features as a montage. The detected corner features are displayed as red color pixels with RGB value as [255 0 0].

```
montage({I,C_adjusted,RGB}, 'Size',[1 3])  
title('Original Image | Adjusted Corner Metric Matrix | Detected Corner Features')
```



Find Corner Features in a Grayscale Image

Read an input image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('bag.png');
```

Generate a corner metric matrix. Specify the method as 'MinimumEigenvalue'.

```
C = cornermetric(I,'MinimumEigenvalue');
```

Use `imregionalmax` to detect corner features (pixels) from the corner metric matrix.

```
corner_peaks = imregionalmax(C);
```

Set the value of the detected corner pixels to [255 0 0].

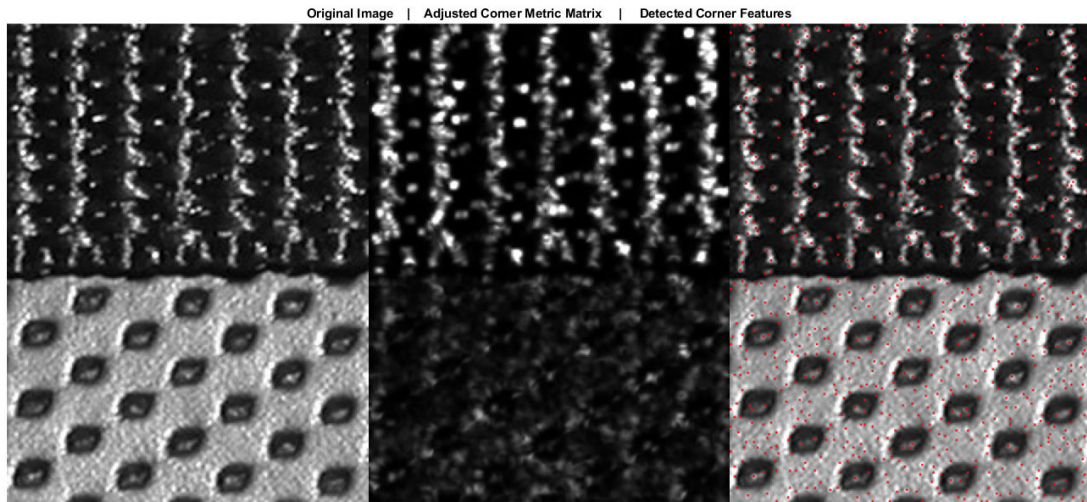
```
corner_idx = find(corner_peaks == true);  
[r g b] = deal(I);  
r(corner_idx) = 255;  
g(corner_idx) = 0;  
b(corner_idx) = 0;  
RGB = cat(3,r,g,b);
```

Adjust the corner metric matrix for viewing.

```
C_adjusted = imadjust(C);
```

Display the original image, adjusted corner metric and the detected corner features as a montage. The detected corner features are displayed as red color pixels with RGB value as [255 255 0].

```
montage({I,C_adjusted,RGB},'Size',[1 3])  
title('Original Image | Adjusted Corner Metric Matrix | Detected Corner Features')
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D binary image | 2-D grayscale image

Input image, specified as a 2-D binary image or 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n . The input must be real, finite, and nonsparse.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `logical`

method — Corner detection method

'Harris' (default) | 'MinimumEigenvalue'

Corner detection method, specified as either 'Harris' or 'MinimumEigenvalue'. If the method is:

- 'Harris', the function creates corner metric matrix by using the Harris corner detector.
- 'MinimumEigenvalue', the function creates corner metric matrix by using the Shi and Tomasi's minimum eigenvalue approach.

If `method` is not specified, the default value set as 'Harris' and the function uses Harris corner detector for detecting corner features.

Data Types: char | string

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `cornermetric(I,'SensitivityFactor',0.1)`

FilterCoefficients — Coefficients of 1-D spatial filter mask

[0.1201 0.2339 0.2921 0.2339 0.1201] (default) | n -element vector

Coefficients of 1-D spatial filter mask, specified as a comma-separated pair consisting of 'FilterCoefficients' and an n -element vector. The value of n must be odd and greater than or equal to 3. By default, the 1-D spatial filter mask is a 5-element vector and the default filter coefficients are computed using `fspecial('gaussian',[5 1],1.5)`.

SensitivityFactor — Sensitivity factor

0.04 (default) | numeric scalar in the range (0, 0.25)

Sensitivity factor, specified as a comma-separated pair consisting of 'SensitivityFactor' and a numeric scalar in the interval (0, 0.25). For smaller values of sensitivity factor, the algorithm is more likely to detect sharper corners.

Note The name-value pair 'SensitivityFactor' is valid only if the input method is 'Harris'.

Output Arguments

C — Corner metric matrix

m -by- n matrix

Corner metric matrix, returned as a m -by- n matrix of the same size as the input image `I`.

Data Types: double

Tips

The `corner` and `cornermetric` functions both detect corners in images. For most applications, use the streamlined `corner` function to find corners in one step. If you want greater control over corner selection, use the `cornermetric` function to compute a corner metric matrix. Then, write your own algorithm to find peak values in corner metric matrix.

Compatibility Considerations

cornermetric is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2016a

`cornermetric` is not recommended. Instead, use the `detectHarrisFeatures` or `detectMinEigenFeatures` and the `cornerPoints` object in Computer Vision Toolbox.

Use `detectHarrisFeatures` to find corners in an image by using the Harris corner detector method. Use `detectMinEigenFeatures` to find corners in an image by using Shi and Tomasi's minimum eigenvalue method. The `detectHarrisFeatures` and `detectMinEigenFeatures` functions return the `cornerPoints` object to which the detected corner points are stored.

See Also

`corner` | `edge`

Introduced in R2008b

corr2

2-D correlation coefficient

Syntax

```
R = corr2(A,B)
```

Description

`R = corr2(A,B)` returns the 2-D correlation coefficient `R` between arrays `A` and `B`.

You optionally can compute the correlation coefficient using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

Examples

Compute the correlation coefficient

Compute the correlation coefficient between an image and the same image processed with a median filter.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
J = medfilt2(I);  
R = corr2(I,J)
```

```
R = 0.9959
```

Compute the Correlation Coefficient on a GPU

Compute the correlation coefficient on a GPU between an image and the same image processed using standard deviation filtering.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));  
J = stdfilt(I);  
R = corr2(I,J)
```

```
R =
```

```
    0.2762
```

Input Arguments

A — First input array

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

First input array, specified as a numeric or logical array.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify A as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

B — Second input array

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Second input array, specified as a numeric or logical array. B has the same size as the first input array, A.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify B as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

R — Correlation coefficient

numeric scalar | gpuArray

Correlation coefficient, returned as a numeric scalar.

If the correlation coefficient is computed using a GPU, then R is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

`corr2` computes the correlation coefficient using

$$r = \frac{\sum_m \sum_n (A_{mn} - \bar{A})(B_{mn} - \bar{B})}{\sqrt{\left(\sum_m \sum_n (A_{mn} - \bar{A})^2\right)\left(\sum_m \sum_n (B_{mn} - \bar{B})^2\right)}}$$

where $\bar{A} = \text{mean2}(A)$, and $\bar{B} = \text{mean2}(B)$.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`corrcoef` | `std2`

Introduced before R2006a

cp2tform

Infer spatial transformation from control point pairs

Note cp2tform is not recommended. Use fitgeotrans instead.

Syntax

```
tform = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, transformationType)
tform = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'polynomial', degree)
tform = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'lwm', n)
tform = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'piecewise linear')
[tform, usedMP, usedFP, badMP, badFP] = cp2tform(movingPoints,
fixedPoints, 'piecewise linear')

tform = cp2tform(cpstruct, transformationType, ___)
[tform, usedMP, usedFP] = cp2tform(cpstruct, transformationType, ___)
```

Description

`tform = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, transformationType)` infers a spatial transformation from control point pairs and returns this transformation as a `tform` structure. Some of the transformation types have optional additional parameters, shown in the following syntaxes.

`tform = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'polynomial', degree)` lets you specify the order of the polynomials to use.

`tform = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'lwm', n)` creates a mapping by inferring a polynomial at each control point using neighboring control points. The mapping at any location depends on a weighted average of these polynomials. You can optionally specify the number of points, `n`, used to infer each polynomial. The `n` closest points are used to infer a polynomial of order 2 for each control point pair.

`tform = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'piecewise linear')` creates a Delaunay triangulation of the fixed control points, and maps corresponding moving

control points to the fixed control points. The mapping is linear (affine) for each triangle and continuous across the control points but not continuously differentiable as each triangle has its own mapping.

`[tform, usedMP, usedFP, badMP, badFP] = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'piecewise linear')` returns in `usedMP` and `usedFP` the control points that were used for the piecewise linear transformation. This syntax also returns in `badMP` and `badFP` the control points that were eliminated because they were middle vertices of degenerate fold-over triangles.

`tform = cp2tform(cpstruct, transformationType, ___)` uses a `cpstruct` structure to store the control point coordinates of the moving and fixed images.

`[tform, usedMP, usedFP] = cp2tform(cpstruct, transformationType, ___)` also returns in `usedMP` and `usedFP` the control points that were used for the transformation. Unmatched and predicted points are not used. See `cpstruct2pairs`.

Examples

Use Control Points to Create Nonreflective Similarity Transformation Structure

Transform an image, use the `cp2tform` function to return the transformation, and compare the angle and scale of the `tform` to the angle and scale of the original transformation:

```
I = checkerboard;
J = imrotate(I,30);
fixedPoints = [11 11; 41 71];
movingPoints = [14 44; 70 81];
cpselect(J,I,movingPoints,fixedPoints);
```

```
t = cp2tform(movingPoints,fixedPoints,'nonreflective similarity');
```

Recover angle and scale by checking how a unit vector parallel to the x-axis is rotated and stretched.

```
u = [0 1];
v = [0 0];
[x, y] = tformfwd(t,u,v);
```

```
dx = x(2) - x(1);  
dy = y(2) - y(1);  
angle = (180/pi) * atan2(dy, dx)  
scale = 1 / sqrt(dx^2 + dy^2)
```

Input Arguments

movingPoints — Control points in the moving image

m-by-2 matrix

Control points in the moving image, specified as an *m*-by-2 matrix. Each row specifies the [x y] coordinates of a control point.

Example: [11 11; 41 71]

Data Types: double

fixedPoints — Control points in the fixed image

m-by-2 matrix

Control points in the fixed image, specified as an *m*-by-2 matrix. Each row specifies the [x y] coordinates of a control point.

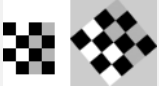
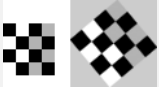




Example: [14 44; 70 81]


Data Types: double

transformationType — Type of transformation

'nonreflectivesimilarity' | 'similarity' | 'affine' | 'projective' |
'polynomial' | 'piecewise linear' | 'lwm'

Type of transformation, specified as one of the following, listed in order of increasing complexity. The `cp2tform` function requires a minimum number of control point pairs to infer a structure of each transform type.

Transformation Type	Description	Minimum Number of Control Point Pairs	Example
'nonreflective similarity'	Use this transformation when shapes in the moving image are unchanged, but the image is distorted by some combination of translation, rotation, and scaling. Straight lines remain straight, and parallel lines are still parallel.	2	
'similarity'	Same as 'nonreflective similarity' with the addition of optional reflection.	3	
'affine'	Use this transformation when shapes in the moving image exhibit shearing. Straight lines remain straight, and parallel lines remain parallel, but rectangles become parallelograms.	3	
'projective'	Use this transformation when the scene appears tilted. Straight lines remain straight, but parallel lines converge toward vanishing points that might or might not fall within the image.	4	
'polynomial'	Use this transformation when objects in the image are curved. The higher the order of the polynomial, the better the fit, but the result can contain more curves than the fixed image. You can specify the degree of the polynomial.	6 (order 2) 10 (order 3) 15 (order 4)	
'piecewise linear'	Use this transformation when parts of the image appear distorted differently.	4	

Transformation Type	Description	Minimum Number of Control Point Pairs	Example
'lwm'	<p>Use this transformation (local weighted mean), when the distortion varies locally and piecewise linear is not sufficient.</p> <p>You can specify the number <i>n</i> of points to use in the local weighed mean calculation.</p>	6 (12 recommended)	

Data Types: char

cpstruct — Preselected control points

structure

Preselected control points, specified as a structure. `cpstruct` contains information about the *x*- and *y*-coordinates of all control points in the moving and fixed images, including unpaired and predicted control points. `cpstruct2pairs` eliminates unmatched and predicted control points, and returns the set of valid control point pairs.

`cpstruct` is a structure produced by the Control Point Selection tool (`cpselect`) when you choose the **Export Points to Workspace** option. For more information, see “Export Control Points to the Workspace”.

Data Types: struct

degree — Degree of the polynomial

3 (default) | 2 | 4

Degree of the polynomial transformation, specified as the integer 2, 3, or 4.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

n — Number of points to use in local weighted mean calculation

12 (default) | positive integer

Number of points to use in local weighted mean calculation, specified as a positive integer. *n* can be as small as 6, but making *n* small risks generating ill-conditioned polynomials

Output Arguments

tform — Transformation

struct

Transformation, returned as a struct.

usedMP — Used moving points

n -by-2 matrix

Moving control points that were used to infer the spatial transformation, returned as an n -by-2 matrix. Unmatched and predicted points are not used.

usedFP — Used fixed points

n -by-2 matrix

Fixed control points that were used to infer the spatial transformation, returned as an n -by-2 matrix. Unmatched and predicted points are not used.

badMP — Eliminated moving points

p -by-2 matrix

Moving control points that were eliminated because they were determined to be outliers, returned as a p -by-2 matrix.

badFP — Eliminated fixed points

p -by-2 matrix

Fixed control points that were eliminated because they were determined to be outliers, returned as a p -by-2 matrix.

Tips

- When `transformtype` is 'nonreflective similarity', 'similarity', 'affine', 'projective', or 'polynomial', and `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints` (or `cpstruct`) have the minimum number of control points needed for a particular transformation, `cp2tform` finds the coefficients exactly.
- If `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints` have more than the minimum number of control points, a least-squares solution is found. See `mldivide`.

- When either `movingPoints` or `fixedPoints` has a large offset with respect to their origin (relative to range of values that it spans), `cp2tform` shifts the points to center their bounding box on the origin before fitting a `tform` structure. This enhances numerical stability and is handled transparently by wrapping the origin-centered `tform` within a custom `tform` that automatically applies and undoes the coordinate shift as needed. As a result, `fields(T)` can give different results for different coordinate inputs, even for the same transformation type.

Algorithms

`cp2tform` uses the following general procedure:

- 1 Use valid pairs of control points to infer a spatial transformation or an inverse mapping from output space (x,y) to input space (x,y) according to `transformtype`.
- 2 Return the `tform` structure containing spatial transformation.

The procedure varies depending on the `transformtype`.

Nonreflective Similarity

Nonreflective similarity transformations can include a rotation, a scaling, and a translation. Shapes and angles are preserved. Parallel lines remain parallel. Straight lines remain straight.

Let

```
sc = scale*cos(angle)
```

```
ss = scale*sin(angle)
```

```
[u v] = [x y 1] * [ sc -ss  
                  ss  sc  
                  tx  ty]
```

Solve for `sc`, `ss`, `tx`, and `ty`.

Similarity

Similarity transformations can include rotation, scaling, translation, and reflection. Shapes and angles are preserved. Parallel lines remain parallel. Straight lines remain straight.

Let

```
sc = s*cos(theta)
ss = s*sin(theta)
```

$$[u \ v] = [x \ y \ 1] * \begin{bmatrix} sc & -a*ss \\ ss & a*sc \\ tx & ty \end{bmatrix}$$

Solve for sc , ss , tx , ty , and a . If $a = -1$, reflection is included in the transformation. If $a = 1$, reflection is not included in the transformation.

Affine

In an affine transformation, the x and y dimensions can be scaled or sheared independently and there can be a translation. Parallel lines remain parallel. Straight lines remain straight. Nonreflective similarity transformations are a subset of affine transformations.

For an affine transformation,

$$[u \ v] = [x \ y \ 1] * T_{inv}$$

T_{inv} is a 3-by-2 matrix. Solve for the six elements of T_{inv} :

```
t_affine = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'affine');
```

The coefficients of the inverse mapping are stored in `t_affine.tdata.Tinv`.

At least three control-point pairs are needed to solve for the six unknown coefficients.

Projective

In a projective transformation, quadrilaterals map to quadrilaterals. Straight lines remain straight. Affine transformations are a subset of projective transformations.

For a projective transformation,

$$[up \ vp \ wp] = [x \ y \ w] * T_{inv}$$

where

$$u = up/wp$$
$$v = vp/wp$$

Tinv is a 3-by-3 matrix.

Assuming

$$T_{inv} = \begin{bmatrix} A & D & G \\ B & E & H \\ C & F & I \end{bmatrix};$$
$$u = (Ax + By + C)/(Gx + Hy + I)$$
$$v = (Dx + Ey + F)/(Gx + Hy + I)$$

Solve for the nine elements of Tinv:

```
t_proj = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'projective');
```

The coefficients of the inverse mapping are stored in `t_proj.tdata.Tinv`.

At least four control-point pairs are needed to solve for the nine unknown coefficients.

Note An affine or projective transformation can also be expressed like this, for a 3-by-2 Tinv:

$$[u \ v]' = T_{inv}' * [x \ y \ 1]'$$

Or, like this, for a 3-by-3 Tinv:

$$[u \ v \ 1]' = T_{inv}' * [x \ y \ 1]'$$

Polynomial

In a polynomial transformation, polynomial functions of x and y determine the mapping.

Second-Order Polynomials

For a second-order polynomial transformation,

$$[u \ v] = [1 \ x \ y \ x*y \ x^2 \ y^2] * T_{inv}$$

Both u and v are second-order polynomials of x and y . Each second-order polynomial has six terms. To specify all coefficients, T_{inv} has size 6-by-2.

```
t_poly_ord2 = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'polynomial');
```

The coefficients of the inverse mapping are stored in `t_poly_ord2.tdata`.

At least six control-point pairs are needed to solve for the 12 unknown coefficients.

Third-Order Polynomials

For a third-order polynomial transformation:

$$[u \ v] = [1 \ x \ y \ x*y \ x^2 \ y^2 \ y*x^2 \ x*y^2 \ x^3 \ y^3] * T_{inv}$$

Both u and v are third-order polynomials of x and y . Each third-order polynomial has 10 terms. To specify all coefficients, T_{inv} has size 10-by-2.

```
t_poly_ord3 = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'polynomial', 3);
```

The coefficients of the inverse mapping are stored in `t_poly_ord3.tdata`.

At least ten control-point pairs are needed to solve for the 20 unknown coefficients.

Fourth-Order Polynomials

For a fourth-order polynomial transformation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x & y & x*y & x^2 & y^2 & y*x^2 & x*y^2 & x^3 & y^3 & x^3*y & x^2*y^2 & x*y^3 & x^4 & y^4 \end{bmatrix} \\ * \text{ Tinv}$$

Both u and v are fourth-order polynomials of x and y . Each fourth-order polynomial has 15 terms. To specify all coefficients, Tinv has size 15-by-2.

```
t_poly_ord4 = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'polynomial', 4);
```

The coefficients of the inverse mapping are stored in `t_poly_ord4.tdata`.

At least 15 control-point pairs are needed to solve for the 30 unknown coefficients.

Piecewise Linear

In a piecewise linear transformation, linear (affine) transformations are applied separately to each triangular region of the image[1].

- 1 Find a Delaunay triangulation of the fixed control points.
- 2 Using the three vertices of each triangle, infer an affine mapping from fixed to moving coordinates.

Note At least four control-point pairs are needed. Four pairs result in two triangles with distinct mappings.

Local Weighted Mean

For each control point in `fixedPoints`:

- 1 Find the N closest control points.
- 2 Use these N points and their corresponding points in `movingPoints` to infer a second-order polynomial.
- 3 Calculate the radius of influence of this polynomial as the distance from the center control point to the farthest point used to infer the polynomial (using `fixedPoints`) [2].

Note At least six control-point pairs are needed to solve for the second-order polynomial. Ill-conditioned polynomials might result if too few pairs are used.

References

- [1] Goshtasby, Ardeshir, "Piecewise linear mapping functions for image registration," *Pattern Recognition*, Vol. 19, 1986, pp. 459-466.
- [2] Goshtasby, Ardeshir, "Image registration by local approximation methods," *Image and Vision Computing*, Vol. 6, 1988, pp. 255-261.

See Also

`cpcorr` | `cpselect` | `cpstruct2pairs` | `imtransform` | `tformfwd` | `tforminv`

Introduced before R2006a

cpcorr

Tune control point locations using cross-correlation

Syntax

```
movingPointsAdjusted = cpcorr(movingPoints, fixedPoints, moving, fixed)
```

Description

`movingPointsAdjusted = cpcorr(movingPoints, fixedPoints, moving, fixed)` uses normalized cross-correlation to adjust each pair of control points specified in `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints`. `moving` and `fixed` are images. `cpcorr` returns the adjusted control points in `movingPointsAdjusted`.

Note The `moving` and `fixed` images must have the same scale for `cpcorr` to be effective. If `cpcorr` cannot correlate a pair of control points, `movingPointsAdjusted` contains the same coordinates as `movingPoints` for that pair.

Examples

Fine-Tune Control-Point Locations using Cross Correlation

Read two images into the workspace.

```
moving = imread('onion.png');  
fixed = imread('peppers.png');
```

Define sets of control points for both images.

```
movingPoints = [118 42;99 87];  
fixedPoints = [190 114;171 165];
```

Display the images, and display the control points in white.

```
figure; imshow(fixed)
hold on
plot(fixedPoints(:,1),fixedPoints(:,2),'xw')
title('fixed')
```



```
figure; imshow(moving)
hold on
plot(movingPoints(:,1),movingPoints(:,2),'xw')
title('moving')
```



Observe the slight errors in the position of the moving points.

Adjust the moving control points using cross correlation.

```
movingPointsAdjusted = cpcorr(movingPoints, fixedPoints, ...  
                               moving(:, :, 1), fixed(:, :, 1))
```

```
movingPointsAdjusted = 2x2
```

```
115.9000    39.1000  
 97.0000    89.9000
```

Display the adjusted moving points in yellow. Compared to the original moving points (in white), the adjusted points more closely match the positions of the fixed points.

```
plot(movingPointsAdjusted(:, 1), movingPointsAdjusted(:, 2), 'xy')
```



Input Arguments

movingPoints — Coordinates of control points in the image to be transformed

M-by-2 double matrix

Coordinates of control points in the image to be transformed, specified as an *M*-by-2 double matrix.

Example: `movingPoints = [127 93; 74 59];`

Data Types: double

fixedPoints — Coordinates of control points in the reference image

M-by-2 double matrix

Coordinates of control points in the reference image, specified as an *M*-by-2 double matrix.

Example: `fixedPoints = [323 195; 269 161];`

Data Types: double

moving — Image to be registered

numeric array of finite values

Image to be registered, specified as a numeric array of finite values.

fixed — Reference image in the target orientation

numeric array of finite values

Reference image in the target orientation, specified as a numeric array of finite values.

Output Arguments

movingPointsAdjusted — Adjusted coordinates of control points in the image to be transformed

double matrix the same size as `movingPoints`

Adjusted coordinates of control points in the image to be transformed, returned as a double matrix the same size as `movingPoints`.

Tips

`cpcorr` cannot adjust a point if any of the following occur:

- points are too near the edge of either image
- regions of images around points contain `Inf` or `NaN`
- region around a point in moving image has zero standard deviation
- regions of images around points are poorly correlated

Algorithms

`cpcorr` only moves the position of a control point by up to four pixels. Adjusted coordinates are accurate up to one-tenth of a pixel. `cpcorr` is designed to get subpixel accuracy from the image content and coarse control point selection.

See Also

`cpselect` | `fitgeotrans` | `imwarp` | `normxcorr2`

Introduced before R2006a

cpselect

Control Point Selection tool

Syntax

```
cpselect(moving, fixed)
cpselect(moving, fixed, cpstruct_in)
cpselect(moving, fixed, initialMovingPoints, initialFixedPoints)
h = cpselect( ___ )
h = cpselect( ___, 'Wait', false)
[selectedMovingPoints, selectedFixedPoints] = cpselect( ___
, 'Wait', true)
```

Description

`cpselect(moving, fixed)` starts the Control Point Selection Tool, a user interface that enables you to select control points in two related images. `moving` is the image to be warped, which brings it into the coordinate system of the `fixed` image. `moving` and `fixed` can be either variables that contain grayscale, truecolor, or binary images, or the names of files containing these images. The Control Point Selection Tool returns the control points in a `cpstruct` structure.

`cpselect(moving, fixed, cpstruct_in)` starts `cpselect` with an initial set of control points that are stored in `cpstruct_in`. This syntax allows you to restart `cpselect` with the state of control points, including unpaired and predicted control points, previously saved in `cpstruct_in`.

`cpselect(moving, fixed, initialMovingPoints, initialFixedPoints)` starts `cpselect` with an initial set of valid control point pairs. `initialMovingPoints` and `initialFixedPoints` are *m*-by-2 matrices that store `moving` and `fixed` control point coordinates, respectively. The two columns represent the *x*- and *y*-coordinates of the control points.

`h = cpselect(___)` returns a handle `h` to the Control Point Selection tool. You can use the `close(h)` syntax to close the tool from the command line.

`h = cpselect(____, 'Wait', false)` returns a handle `h` to the Control Point Selection tool. You can use the `close(h)` syntax to close the tool from the command line. In contrast to setting 'Wait' as true, this syntax lets you run `cpselect` at the same time as you run other programs in MATLAB.

`[selectedMovingPoints,selectedFixedPoints] = cpselect(____, 'Wait', true)` takes control of the MATLAB command line until you finish selecting control points. `cpselect` returns valid selected pairs of points. `selectedMovingPoints` and `selectedFixedPoints` are p -by-2 matrices that store the coordinates in the moving and fixed images, respectively. The two columns represent the x - and y -coordinates of the selected control points.

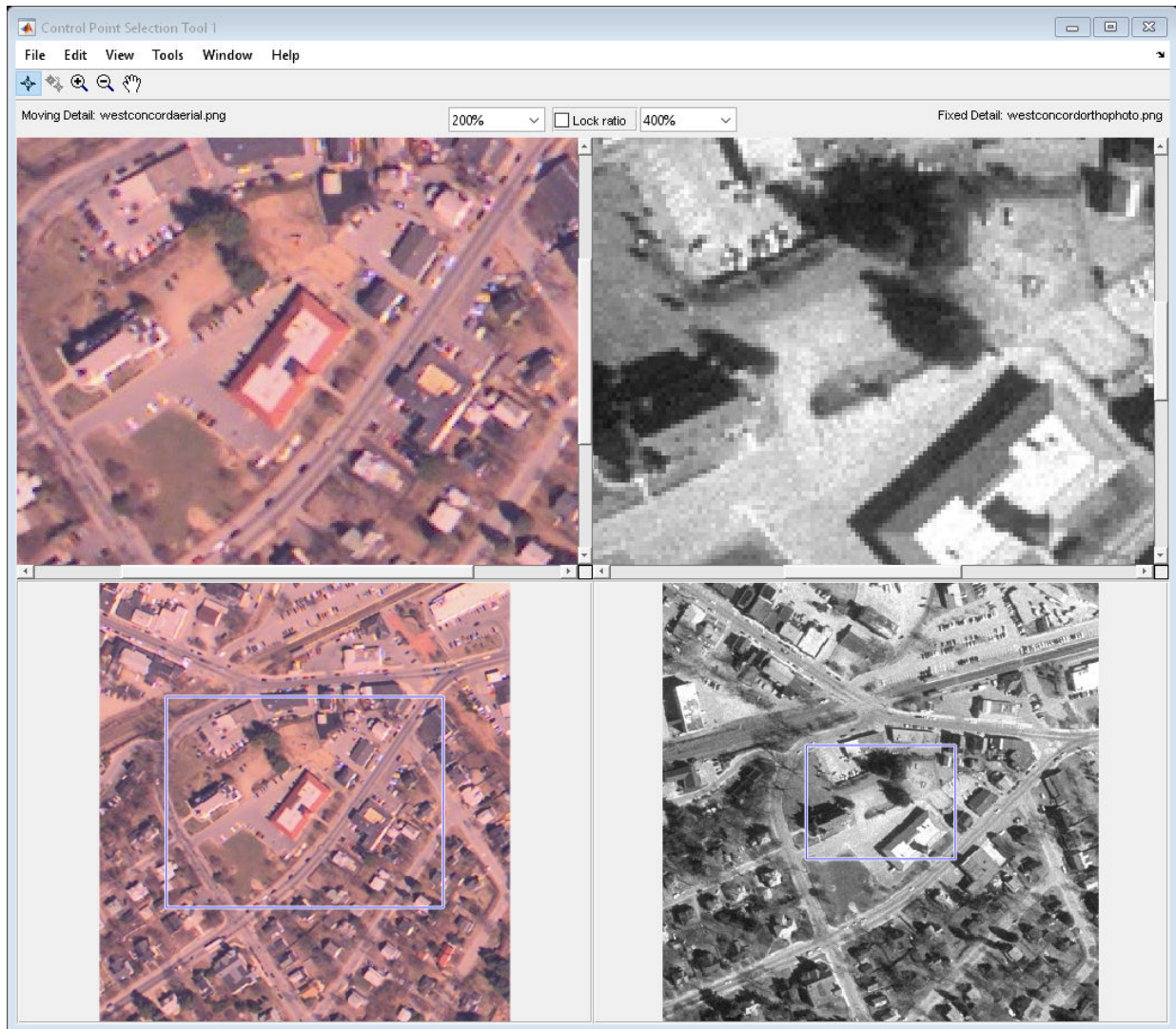
Examples

Start Control Point Selection Tool with Saved Images

Call `cpselect`, specifying the names of the image you want to register and the reference image. This example uses the optional syntax that returns a handle to the tool that is created so that you can close the tool programmatically.

```
h = cpselect('westconcordaerial.png', 'westconcordorthophoto.png');
```

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Close the tool.

`close(h)`

Open Control Point Selection Tool with Predefined Control Points

Create a sample reference image.

```
I = checkerboard;
```

Create a copy of the sample image, rotating it to create a sample image that needs registering.

```
J = imrotate(I,30);
```

Specify two sets of control points for the fixed and moving images.

```
fixedPoints = [11 11; 41 71];
movingPoints = [14 44; 70 81];
```

Open the Control Point Selection Tool, specifying the sample fixed and moving images and the two sets of saved control points.

```
cpselect(J,I,movingPoints,fixedPoints);
```

When the tool opens, you are prompted to save the control points.

Register an Aerial Photo to an Orthophoto

Read an aerial photo and an orthophoto into the workspace, and display them.

```
aerial = imread('westconcordaerial.png');
figure, imshow(aerial)
ortho = imread('westconcordorthophoto.png');
figure, imshow(ortho)
```

Load some points that have already been picked.

```
load westconcordpoints
```

Open the Control Point Selection tool, specifying the two images and the preselected points. Use the 'Wait' parameter to make cpselect wait for you to pick some more points.

```
[aerial_points,ortho_points] = ...
    cpselect(aerial,'westconcordorthophoto.png',...
            movingPoints,fixedPoints,...
            'Wait',true);
```

When control returns to the command line, perform the registration.

First use `fitgeotrans` to estimate the geometric transformation that brings the moving image into alignment with the fixed image. Specify the control points you selected and the type of transformation you want.

```
t_concord = fitgeotrans(aerial_points,ortho_points,'projective');
```

Next use `imwarp` to perform the transformation. By defining a spatial referencing object from `ortho` and specifying the object as the `'OutputView'`, the registered image has a size and location matching `ortho`.

```
ortho_ref = imref2d(size(ortho)); %relate intrinsic and world coordinates  
aerial_registered = imwarp(aerial,t_concord,'OutputView',ortho_ref);  
figure, imshowpair(aerial_registered,ortho,'blend')
```

Finally, display the transformed image over the original orthophoto to see how well the registration succeeded.

```
figure, imshowpair(aerial_registered,ortho,'blend')
```

Input Arguments

moving — Input image to be aligned

grayscale image | truecolor image | binary image | character vector | string

Input image to be aligned, specified as a grayscale, truecolor, or binary image, or a character vector. A grayscale image can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `int16`, `single`, or `double`. A truecolor image can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `single`, or `double`. A binary image is of class `logical`. If `moving` is a character vector, it must identify files containing these same types of images.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical` | `char` | `string`

fixed — Reference image

grayscale image | truecolor image | binary image | character vector | string

Reference image, specified as a grayscale, truecolor, or binary image. A grayscale image can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `int16`, `single`, or `double`. A truecolor image can be `uint8`,

`uint16`, `single`, or `double`. A binary image is of class `logical`. If `fixed` is a character vector, it must identify files containing these same types of images.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical` | `char` | `string`

cpstruct_in — Preselected control points

structure

Preselected control points, specified as a structure (`cpstruct`). `cpstruct_in` contains information about x - and y -coordinates of all control points in the moving and fixed images, including unpaired and predicted control points. `cpstruct_in` also contains indexing information that allows the Control Point Selection tool to restore the state of the control points.

Create a `cpstruct` by exporting points from the Control Point Selection tool, described in “Export Control Points to the Workspace”.

Data Types: `struct`

initialMovingPoints — Preselected control points on the moving image

m -by-2 numeric array

Preselected control points on the moving image, specified as an m -by-2 numeric array. The two columns represent the x - and y -coordinates of the control points.

Data Types: `double`

initialFixedPoints — Preselected control points on the fixed image

m -by-2 numeric array

Preselected control points on the fixed image, specified as an m -by-2 numeric array. The two columns represent the x - and y -coordinates of the control points.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

h — Control Point Selection tool

handle

Control Point Selection tool, returned as a handle.

selectedMovingPoints — Selected control points on the moving image*p*-by-2 numeric array

Selected control points on the moving image, specified as a *p*-by-2 numeric array. The two columns represent the *x*- and *y*-coordinates of the control points.

Data Types: double

selectedFixedPoints — Selected control points on the fixed image*p*-by-2 numeric array

Selected control points on the fixed image, specified as a *p*-by-2 numeric array. The two columns represent the *x*- and *y*-coordinates of the control points.

Data Types: double

Tips

- When calling `cpselect` in a script, specify the `'Wait'` option as `true`. The `'Wait'` option causes `cpselect` to block the MATLAB command line until control points have been selected and returned. If you do not use the `'Wait'` option, `cpselect` returns control immediately and your script continues without allowing time for control point selection. Additionally, without the `'Wait'` option, `cpselect` does not return the control points as return values.

Algorithms

`cpselect` uses the following general procedure for control-point prediction.

- 1 Find all valid pairs of control points.
- 2 Infer a spatial transformation between moving and fixed control points using a method that depends on the number of valid pairs, as follows:

2 pairs	Nonreflective similarity
3 pairs	Affine
4 or more pairs	Projective
- 3 Apply the spatial transformation to the new point. This transformation generates the predicted point.

- 4 Display the predicted point.

See Also

`pcorr` | `cpstruct2pairs` | `fitgeotrans` | `imtool` | `imwarp`

Topics

“Control Point Selection Procedure”

“Export Control Points to the Workspace”

Introduced before R2006a

cpstruct2pairs

Extract valid control point pairs from `cpstruct` structure

Syntax

```
[movingPoints, fixedPoints] = cpstruct2pairs(cpstruct_in)
```

Description

`[movingPoints, fixedPoints] = cpstruct2pairs(cpstruct_in)` extracts the valid control point pairs from `cpstruct_in`, returning two arrays `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints`.

Examples

Convert `cpstruct` to Sets of Control Point Pairs

Read an aerial photograph and an orthoregistered image into the workspace.

```
aerial = imread('westconcordaerial.png');  
ortho = imread('westconcordorthophoto.png');
```

Load some preselected control points for these images.

```
load westconcordpoints  
whos
```

Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
aerial	394x369x3	436158	uint8	
fixedPoints	4x2	64	double	
movingPoints	4x2	64	double	
ortho	366x364	133224	uint8	

Open the Control Point Selection tool, specifying the two images along with the predefined control points.

```
cpselect(aerial,ortho,movingPoints,fixedPoints);
```

Create the `cpstruct` structure. Using the Control Point Selection tool, select **Export Points to Workspace** from the **File** menu to save the points to the workspace. On the **Export Points to Workspace** dialog box, check the **Structure with all points** check box, and clear **Moving points of valid pairs** and **Fixed points of valid pairs**. Click **OK**. Close the Control Point Selection tool.

Use `cpstruct2pairs` to extract the moving and fixed points from the `cpstruct`.

```
[mPoints,fPoints] = cpstruct2pairs(cpstruct);
```

Compare the stored set of points with the set of points you exported.

```
fixedPoints, fpoints
```

```
fixedPoints =
```

```
164.5639 113.2890
353.5325 130.0798
143.4046 284.8935
353.5325 311.9810
```

```
fpoints =
```

```
164.5639 113.2890
353.5325 130.0798
143.4046 284.8935
353.5325 311.9810
```

The two sets of points are identical, which indicates that all points in the stored set of points belong to valid control point pairs.

Input Arguments

cpstruct_in — Preselected control points
structure

Preselected control points, specified as a structure (`cpstruct`). `cpstruct_in` contains information about the x - and y -coordinates of all control points in the moving and fixed images, including unpaired and predicted control points. `cpstruct2pairs` eliminates unmatched and predicted control points, and returns the set of valid control point pairs.

`cpstruct_in` is a structure produced by the Control Point Selection tool (`cpselect`) when you choose the **Export Points to Workspace** option. For more information, see “Export Control Points to the Workspace”.

Data Types: `struct`

Output Arguments

movingPoints — Control point pairs from moving image being aligned

m-by-2 numeric array

Control point pairs from image being aligned, returned as an *m*-by-2 numeric array.

Data Types: `double`

fixedPoints — Control point pairs from reference image

m-by-2 numeric array

Control point pairs from reference image, returned as an *m*-by-2 numeric array.

Data Types: `double`

See Also

`cpselect` | `fitgeotrans`

Topics

“Export Control Points to the Workspace”

Introduced before R2006a

dct2

2-D discrete cosine transform

Syntax

```
B = dct2(A)
B = dct2(A,m,n)
B = dct2(A,[m n])
```

Description

`B = dct2(A)` returns the two-dimensional discrete cosine transform of `A`. The matrix `B` contains the discrete cosine transform coefficients $B(k_1,k_2)$.

`B = dct2(A,m,n)` and

`B = dct2(A,[m n])` pad the matrix `A` with 0s to size `m`-by-`n` before applying the transformation. If `m` or `n` is smaller than the corresponding dimension of `A`, then `dct2` crops `A` before the transformation.

Examples

Remove High Frequencies in Image using DCT

This example shows how to remove high frequencies from an image using the two-dimensional discrete cosine transfer (DCT).

Read an image into the workspace, then convert the image to grayscale.

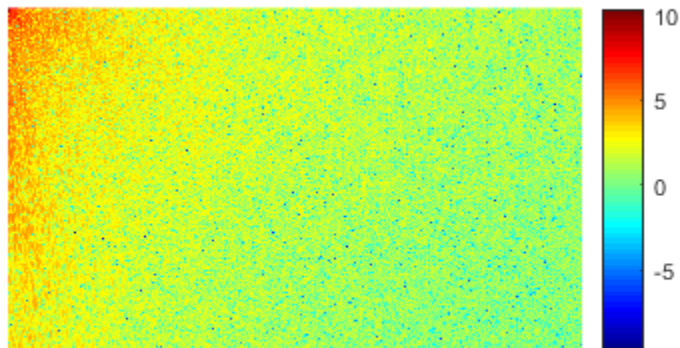
```
RGB = imread('autumn.tif');
I = rgb2gray(RGB);
```

Perform a 2-D DCT of the grayscale image using the `dct2` function.

```
J = dct2(I);
```

Display the transformed image using a logarithmic scale. Notice that most of the energy is in the upper left corner.

```
figure
imshow(log(abs(J)), [])
colormap(gca, jet(64))
colorbar
```



Set values less than magnitude 10 in the DCT matrix to zero.

```
J(abs(J) < 10) = 0;
```

Reconstruct the image using the inverse DCT function `idct2`.

```
K = idct2(J);
```

Display the original grayscale image alongside the processed image.

```
figure
imshowpair(I,K,'montage')
title('Original Grayscale Image (Left) and Processed Image (Right)');
```

Original Grayscale Image (Left) and Processed Image (Right)



Input Arguments

A — Input matrix

2-D numeric matrix

Input matrix, specified as a 2-D numeric matrix.

m — Number of image rows

`size(A,1)` (default) | positive integer

Number of image rows, specified as a positive integer. `dct2` pads image `A` with 0s or truncates image `A` so that it has `m` rows. By default, `m` is equal to `size(A,1)`.

n — Number of image columns

`size(A,2)` (default) | positive integer

Number of image columns, specified as a positive integer. `dct2` pads image `A` with 0s or truncates image `A` so that it has `n` columns. By default, `n` is equal to `size(A,2)`.

Output Arguments

B — Transformed matrix

`m`-by-`n` numeric matrix

Transformed matrix using a two-dimensional discrete cosine transform, returned as an m-by-n numeric matrix.

Data Types: double

Definitions

Discrete Cosine Transform

The discrete cosine transform (DCT) is closely related to the discrete Fourier transform. It is a separable linear transformation; that is, the two-dimensional transform is equivalent to a one-dimensional DCT performed along a single dimension followed by a one-dimensional DCT in the other dimension. The definition of the two-dimensional DCT for an input image A and output image B is

$$B_{pq} = \alpha_p \alpha_q \sum_{m=0}^{M-1} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} A_{mn} \cos \frac{\pi(2m+1)p}{2M} \cos \frac{\pi(2n+1)q}{2N}, \quad \begin{matrix} 0 \leq p \leq M-1 \\ 0 \leq q \leq N-1 \end{matrix}$$

where

$$\alpha_p = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}, & p = 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{M}}, & 1 \leq p \leq M-1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\alpha_q = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}, & q = 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}}, & 1 \leq q \leq N-1 \end{cases}$$

M and N are the row and column size of A, respectively.

Tips

- If you apply the DCT to real data, the result is also real. The DCT tends to concentrate information, making it useful for image compression applications.

- To invert the DCT transformation, use `idct2`.

References

- [1] Jain, Anil K., *Fundamentals of Digital Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1989, pp. 150-153.
- [2] Pennebaker, William B., and Joan L. Mitchell, *JPEG: Still Image Data Compression Standard*, Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1993.

See Also

`fft2` | `idct2` | `ifft2`

Introduced before R2006a

dctmtx

Discrete cosine transform matrix

Syntax

```
D = dctmtx(n)
```

Description

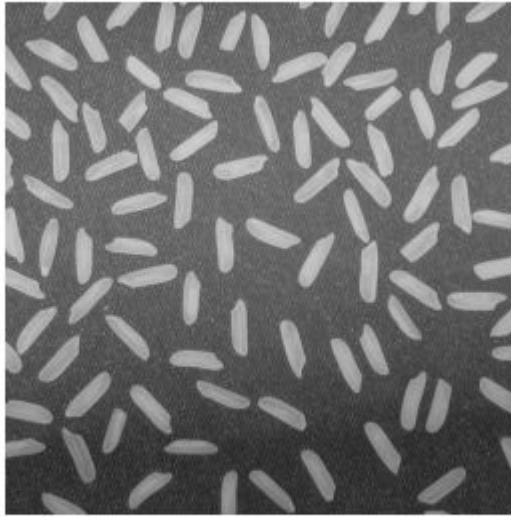
`D = dctmtx(n)` returns the n -by- n discrete cosine transform (DCT) matrix, which you can use to perform a 2-D DCT on an image.

Examples

Calculate Discrete Cosine Transform Matrix

Read an image into the workspace and cast it to class `double`.

```
A = im2double(imread('rice.png'));  
imshow(A)
```

Calculate the discrete cosine transform matrix.

```
D = dctmtx(size(A,1));
```

Multiply the input image A by D to get the DCT of the columns of A, and by D' to get the inverse DCT of the columns of A.

```
dct = D*A*D';  
imshow(dct)
```



Input Arguments

n — Size of DCT matrix

positive integer

Size of DCT matrix, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

D — DCT matrix

numeric matrix

DCT matrix, returned as a numeric matrix of size n-by-n.

Data Types: double

Tips

- If you have an n -by- n image, A , then $D*A$ is the DCT of the columns of A and $D'*A$ is the inverse DCT of the columns of A .
- The two-dimensional DCT of A can be computed as $D*A*D'$. This computation is sometimes faster than using `dct2`, especially if you are computing a large number of small DCTs, because D needs to be determined only once.

For example, in JPEG compression, the DCT of each 8-by-8 block is computed. To perform this computation, use `dctmtx` to determine D , and then calculate each DCT using $D*A*D'$ (where A is each 8-by-8 block). This is faster than calling `dct2` for each individual block.

See Also

`dct2`

Introduced before R2006a

decompose

Return sequence of decomposed structuring elements

Syntax

```
SEQ = decompose(SE)
```

Description

SEQ = decompose(SE) returns an array of structuring elements, SEQ, that are the decomposition of the structuring element SE. SEQ is equivalent to SE, but the elements of SEQ cannot be decomposed further.

Examples

View Decomposition of Structuring Element

Create a disk-shaped structuring element.

```
se = strel('square',5)
```

```
se =  
strel is a square shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Neighborhood: [5x5 logical]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Extract the decomposition of the structuring element.

```
seq = decompose(se)
```

```
seq =  
    2x1 strel array with properties:
```

```
Neighborhood
Dimensionality
```

To see that dilating sequentially with the decomposed structuring elements really does form a 5-by-5 square, use `imdilate` with the `full` option.

```
imdilate(1,seq,'full')
```

```
ans = 5x5
```

```
 1     1     1     1     1
 1     1     1     1     1
 1     1     1     1     1
 1     1     1     1     1
 1     1     1     1     1
```

Extract Decomposition of Structuring Element

Create a ball-shaped structuring element.

```
se = offsetstrel('ball',5, 6.5)
```

```
se =
```

```
offsetstrel is a ball shaped offset structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Offset: [11x11 double]
Dimensionality: 2
```

Obtain the decomposition of the structuring element.

```
seq = decompose(se)
```

```
seq =
```

```
1x8 offsetstrel array with properties:
```

```
    Offset
Dimensionality
```

Input Arguments

SE — Structuring element

`strel` or `offsetstrel` object

Structuring element, specified as a `strel` or `offsetstrel` object.

Output Arguments

SEQ — Sequence of structuring elements that approximate the desired shape

array of `strel` or `offsetstrel` objects

Sequence of structuring elements that approximate the desired shape, returned as an array of `strel` or `offsetstrel` objects.

See Also

Introduced before R2006a

deconvblind

Deblur image using blind deconvolution

Syntax

```
[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi)
[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi,iter)
[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi,iter,dampar)
[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi,iter,dampar,weight)
[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi,iter,dampar,weight,readout)
[J,psfr] = deconvblind( ____,fun)
```

Description

`[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi)` deconvolves image `I` using the maximum likelihood algorithm and an initial estimate of the point-spread function (PSF), `psfi`. The `deconvblind` function returns both the deblurred image `J` and a restored PSF, `psfr`.

To improve the restoration, `deconvblind` supports several optional parameters, described below. Use `[]` as a placeholder if you do not specify an intermediate parameter.

`[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi,iter)` specifies the number of iterations, `iter`.

`[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi,iter,dampar)` controls noise amplification by suppressing iterations for pixels that deviate a small amount compared to the noise, specified by the damping threshold `dampar`. By default, no damping occurs.

`[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi,iter,dampar,weight)` specifies which pixels in the input image `I` are considered in the restoration. The value of an element in the `weight` array determines how much the pixel at the corresponding position in the input image is considered. For example, to exclude a pixel from consideration, assign it a value of `0` in the `weight` array. You can adjust the weight value assigned to each pixel according to the amount of flat-field correction.

`[J,psfr] = deconvblind(I,psfi,iter,dampar,weight,readout)` specifies the additive noise (e.g., background, foreground noise) and variance of the read-out camera noise, readout.

`[J,psfr] = deconvblind(____,fun)`, where `fun` is a handle to a function that describes additional constraints on the PSF. `fun` is called at the end of each iteration. For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

Examples

Deblur an Image Using Blind Deconvolution

Create a sample image with noise.

```
% Set the random number generator back to its default settings for
% consistency in results.
rng default;
```

```
I = checkerboard(8);
PSF = fspecial('gaussian',7,10);
V = .0001;
BlurredNoisy = imnoise(imfilter(I,PSF),'gaussian',0,V);
```

Create a weight array to specify which pixels are included in processing.

```
WT = zeros(size(I));
WT(5:end-4,5:end-4) = 1;
INITPSF = ones(size(PSF));
```

Perform blind deconvolution.

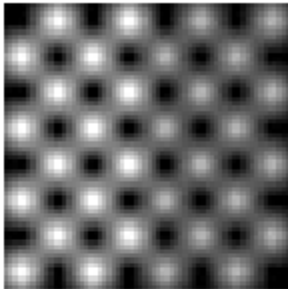
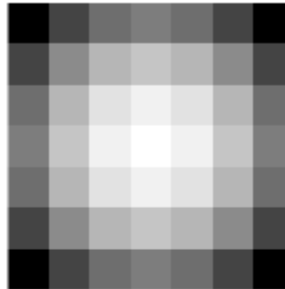
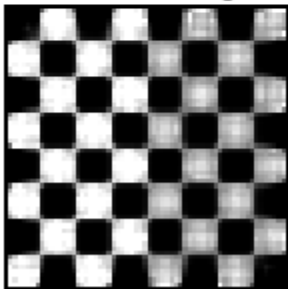
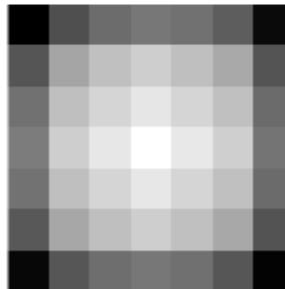
```
[J P] = deconvblind(BlurredNoisy,INITPSF,20,10*sqrt(V),WT);
```

Display the results.

```
subplot(221);imshow(BlurredNoisy);
title('A = Blurred and Noisy');
subplot(222);imshow(PSF,[]);
title('True PSF');
subplot(223);imshow(J);
title('Deblurred Image');
```



```
subplot(224);imshow(P,[]);  
title('Recovered PSF');
```

A = Blurred and Noisy**True PSF****Deblurred Image****Recovered PSF**

Input Arguments

I — Blurry image

numeric array | cell array

Blurry image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension. You can also specify the image as a cell array to enable interrupted iterations. For more information, see “Tips” on page 1-429.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

psfi — Initial estimate of PSF

numeric array

Initial estimate of PSF, specified as a numeric array. The PSF restoration is affected strongly by the size of the initial guess `psfi` and less by the values it contains. For this reason, specify an array of 1s as your `psfi`.

You can also specify `psfi` as a cell array to enable interrupted iterations. For more information, see “Tips” on page 1-429.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

iter — Number of iterations

10 (default) | positive integer

Number of iterations, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `double`

dampar — Threshold for damping

0 (default) | numeric scalar

Threshold for damping, specified as a numeric scalar. Damping occurs for pixels whose deviation between iterations is less than the threshold. `dampar` has the same data type as `I`.

weight — Weight of each pixel

numeric array

Weight value of each pixel, specified as a numeric array with values in the range [0, 1]. `weight` has the same size as the input image, `I`. By default, all elements in `weight` have the value 1, so all pixels are considered equally in the restoration.

Data Types: `double`

readout — Noise

0 (default) | numeric scalar | numeric array

Noise, specified as a numeric scalar or numeric array. The value of `readout` corresponds to the additive noise (such as noise from the foreground and background) and the variance of the read-out camera noise. `readout` has the same data type as `I`.

fun — Function handle

handle

Function handle, specified as a handle. `fun` must accept the PSF as its first argument. The function must return one argument: a PSF that is the same size as the original PSF and that satisfies the positivity and normalization constraints.

Output Arguments

J — Deblurred image

numeric array | 1-by-4 cell array

Deblurred image, returned as a numeric array or a 1-by-4 cell array. `J` (or `J{1}` when `J` is a cell array) has the same data type as `I`. For more information about returning `J` as a cell array for interrupted iterations, see “Tips” on page 1-429.

psfr — Restored PSF

array of positive numbers | 1-by-4 cell array

Restored PSF, returned as an array of positive numbers or a 1-by-4 cell array. `psfr` has the same size as the initial estimate of the PSF, `psfi`, and it is normalized so the sum of elements is 1. For more information about returning `psfr` as a cell array for interrupted iterations, see “Tips” on page 1-429.

Data Types: double

Tips

- You can use `deconvblind` to perform a deconvolution that starts where a previous deconvolution stopped. To use this feature, pass the input image `I` and the initial guess at the PSF, `psfi`, as cell arrays: `{I}` and `{psfi}`. When you do, the `deconvblind` function returns the output image `J` and the restored point-spread function, `psfr`, as cell arrays, which can then be passed as the input arrays into the next `deconvblind` call. The output cell array `J` contains four elements:

`J{1}` contains `I`, the original image.

`J{2}` contains the result of the last iteration.

`J{3}` contains the result of the next-to-last iteration.

`J{4}` is an array generated by the iterative algorithm.

- The output image `J` could exhibit ringing introduced by the discrete Fourier transform used in the algorithm. To reduce the ringing, use `I = edgetaper(I, psfi)` before calling `deconvblind`.

References

- [1] D.S.C. Biggs and M. Andrews, *Acceleration of iterative image restoration algorithms*, Applied Optics, Vol. 36, No. 8, 1997.
- [2] R.J. Hanisch, R.L. White, and R.L. Gilliland, *Deconvolutions of Hubble Space Telescope Images and Spectra*, Deconvolution of Images and Spectra, Ed. P.A. Jansson, 2nd ed., Academic Press, CA, 1997.
- [3] Timothy J. Holmes, et al, *Light Microscopic Images Reconstructed by Maximum Likelihood Deconvolution*, Handbook of Biological Confocal Microscopy, Ed. James B. Pawley, Plenum Press, New York, 1995.

See Also

`deconvlucy` | `deconvreg` | `deconvwnr` | `edgetaper` | `imnoise` | `otf2psf` | `padarray` | `psf2otf`

Topics

“Deblurring Images Using the Blind Deconvolution Algorithm”

“Image Deblurring”

“Deblur with the Blind Deconvolution Algorithm”

Introduced before R2006a

deconvlucy

Deblur image using Lucy-Richardson method

Syntax

```
J = deconvlucy(I,psf)
J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter)
J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter,dampar)
J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter,dampar,weight)
J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter,dampar,weight,readout)
J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter,dampar,weight,readout,subsample)
```

Description

`J = deconvlucy(I,psf)` restores image `I` that was degraded by convolution with a point-spread function (PSF), `psf`, and possibly by additive noise. The algorithm is based on maximizing the likelihood that the resulting image `J` is an instance of the original image `I` under Poisson statistics.

To improve the restoration, `deconvlucy` supports several optional parameters, described below. Use `[]` as a placeholder if you do not specify an intermediate parameter.

`J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter)` specifies the number of iterations, `iter`.

`J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter,dampar)` controls noise amplification by suppressing iterations for pixels that deviate a small amount compared to the noise, specified by the damping threshold `dampar`. By default, no damping occurs.

`J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter,dampar,weight)` specifies which pixels in the input image `I` are considered in the restoration. The value of an element in the `weight` array determines how much the pixel at the corresponding position in the input image is considered. For example, to exclude a pixel from consideration, assign it a value of 0 in the `weight` array. You can adjust the weight value assigned to each pixel according to the amount of flat-field correction.

`J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter,dampar,weight,readout)` specifies the additive noise (e.g., background, foreground noise) and variance of the read-out camera noise, readout.

`J = deconvlucy(I,psf,iter,dampar,weight,readout,subsample)` uses subsampling when the PSF is given on a grid that is `subsample` times finer than the image.

Examples

Remove Blur Using Several deconvlucy Optional Syntaxes

Create a sample image and blur it.

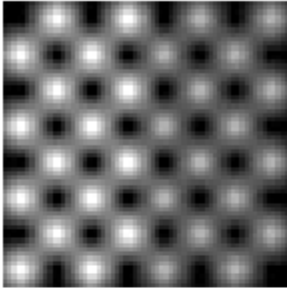
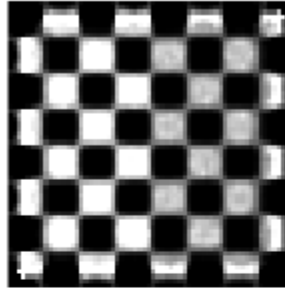
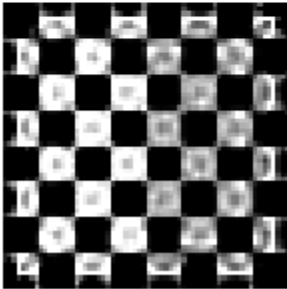
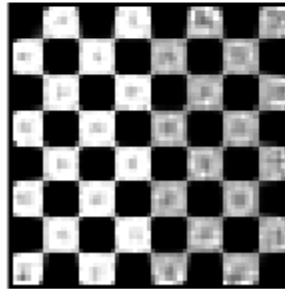
```
I = checkerboard(8);
PSF = fspecial('gaussian',7,10);
V = .0001;
BlurredNoisy = imnoise(imfilter(I,PSF),'gaussian',0,V);
```

Create a weight array and call `deconvlucy` using several optional parameters.

```
WT = zeros(size(I));
WT(5:end-4,5:end-4) = 1;
J1 = deconvlucy(BlurredNoisy,PSF);
J2 = deconvlucy(BlurredNoisy,PSF,20,sqrt(V));
J3 = deconvlucy(BlurredNoisy,PSF,20,sqrt(V),WT);
```

Display the results.

```
subplot(221);imshow(BlurredNoisy);
title('A = Blurred and Noisy');
subplot(222);imshow(J1);
title('deconvlucy(A,PSF)');
subplot(223);imshow(J2);
title('deconvlucy(A,PSF,NI,DP)');
subplot(224);imshow(J3);
title('deconvlucy(A,PSF,NI,DP,WT)');
```

A = Blurred and Noisy**deconvlucy(A,PSF)****deconvlucy(A,PSF,NI,DP)****deconvlucy(A,PSF,NI,DP,WT)**

Input Arguments

I – Blurry image

numeric array | cell array

Blurry image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension. You can also specify the image as a cell array to enable interrupted iterations. For more information, see “Tips” on page 1-435.

Data Types: single | double | int16 | uint8 | uint16

psf — PSF

numeric array

PSF, specified as a numeric array. You can also specify `psf` as a cell array to enable interrupted iterations. For more information, see “Tips” on page 1-435.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

iter — Number of iterations

10 (default) | positive integer

Number of iterations, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `double`

dampar — Threshold for damping

0 (default) | numeric scalar

Threshold for damping, specified as a numeric scalar. Damping occurs for pixels whose deviation between iterations is less than the threshold. `dampar` has the same data type as `I`.

weight — Weight of each pixel

numeric array

Weight value of each pixel, specified as a numeric array with values in the range [0, 1]. `weight` has the same size as the input image, `I`. By default, all elements in `weight` have the value 1, so all pixels are considered equally in the restoration.

Data Types: `double`

readout — Noise

0 (default) | numeric scalar | numeric array

Noise, specified as a numeric scalar or numeric array. The value of `readout` corresponds to the additive noise (such as noise from the foreground and background) and the variance of the read-out camera noise. `readout` has the same data type as `I`.

subsample — Subsampling

1 (default) | positive scalar

Subsampling, specified as a positive scalar.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

J — Deblurred image

numeric array | 1-by-4 cell array

Deblurred image, returned as a numeric array or a 1-by-4 cell array. J (or J{1} when J is a cell array) has the same data type as I. For more information about returning J as a cell array for interrupted iterations, see “Tips” on page 1-435.

Tips

- You can use `deconvlucy` to perform a deconvolution that starts where a previous deconvolution stopped. To use this feature, pass the input image I and the PSF, `psf`, as cell arrays: `{I}` and `{psf}`. When you do, the `deconvlucy` function returns the output image J as a cell array, which can then be passed as the input array into the next `deconvblind` call. The output cell array J contains four elements:
 - J{1} contains I, the original image.
 - J{2} contains the result of the last iteration.
 - J{3} contains the result of the next-to-last iteration.
 - J{4} is an array generated by the iterative algorithm.
- The output image J could exhibit ringing introduced by the discrete Fourier transform used in the algorithm. To reduce the ringing, use `I = edgetaper(I,psf)` before calling `deconvlucy`.
- `deconvlucy` converts the PSF to `double` without normalization.

References

- [1] D.S.C. Biggs and M. Andrews, *Acceleration of iterative image restoration algorithms*, Applied Optics, Vol. 36, No. 8, 1997.
- [2] R.J. Hanisch, R.L. White, and R.L. Gilliland, *Deconvolutions of Hubble Space Telescope Images and Spectra*, Deconvolution of Images and Spectra, Ed. P.A. Jansson, 2nd ed., Academic Press, CA, 1997.

See Also

deconvlucy | deconvreg | deconvwnr | edgetaper | otf2psf | padarray | psf2otf

Topics

“Deblurring Images Using the Lucy-Richardson Algorithm”

“Image Deblurring”

“Deblur with the Lucy-Richardson Algorithm”

Introduced before R2006a

deconvreg

Deblur image using regularized filter

Syntax

```
J = deconvreg(I,psf)
J = deconvreg(I,psf,np)
J = deconvreg(I,psf,np,lrange)
J = deconvreg(I,psf,np,lrange,regop)
[J,lagra] = deconvreg(____)
```

Description

`J = deconvreg(I,psf)` deconvolves image `I` using the regularized filter algorithm, returning deblurred image `J`. The assumption is that the image `I` was created by convolving a true image with a point-spread function (PSF), `psf`, and possibly by adding noise. The algorithm is a constrained optimum in the sense of least square error between the estimated and the true images under requirement of preserving image smoothness.

`J = deconvreg(I,psf,np)` specifies the additive noise power, `np`.

`J = deconvreg(I,psf,np,lrange)` specifies the range, `lrange`, where the search for the optimal solution is performed. The algorithm finds an optimal Lagrange multiplier `lagra` within the `lrange` range.

`J = deconvreg(I,psf,np,lrange,regop)` constrains the deconvolution using regularization operator `regop`. The default regularization operator is the Laplacian operator, to retain the image smoothness.

`[J,lagra] = deconvreg(____)` outputs the value of the Lagrange multiplier, `lagra` in addition to the restored image, `J`.

Examples

Deblur Image Using Regularized Filter

Create sample image.

```
I = checkerboard(8);
```

Create PSF and use it to create a blurred and noisy version of the input image.

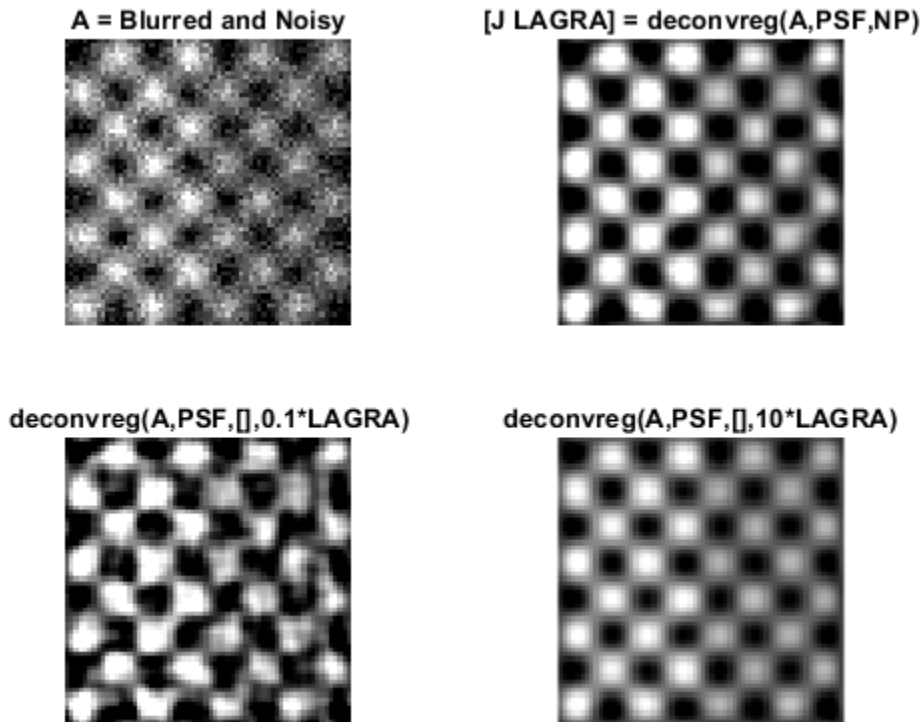
```
PSF = fspecial('gaussian',7,10);  
V = .01;  
BlurredNoisy = imnoise(imfilter(I,PSF),'gaussian',0,V);  
NOISEPOWER = V*prod(size(I));
```

Deblur the image.

```
[J LAGRA] = deconvreg(BlurredNoisy,PSF,NOISEPOWER);
```

Display the various versions of the image.

```
subplot(221); imshow(BlurredNoisy);  
title('A = Blurred and Noisy');  
subplot(222); imshow(J);  
title(['J LAGRA] = deconvreg(A,PSF,NP)');  
subplot(223); imshow(deconvreg(BlurredNoisy,PSF,[],LAGRA/10));  
title('deconvreg(A,PSF,[],0.1*LAGRA)');  
subplot(224); imshow(deconvreg(BlurredNoisy,PSF,[],LAGRA*10));  
title('deconvreg(A,PSF,[],10*LAGRA)');
```



Input Arguments

I – Blurry image

numeric array

Blurry image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: single | double | int16 | uint8 | uint16

psf – PSF

numeric array

PSF, specified as a numeric array.

Data Types: `double`

np — Noise power

0 (default) | numeric scalar

Noise power, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

lrange — Search range

[1e-9 1e9] (default) | numeric scalar | 2-element numeric vector

Search range, specified as a numeric scalar or a 2-element numeric vector. If `lrange` is a scalar, the algorithm assumes that `lagra` is equal to `lrange`; the `np` value is then ignored.

Data Types: `double`

regop — Regularization operator

numeric array

Regularization operator, specified as a numeric array. The `regop` array dimensions must not exceed the dimensions of the image, `I`. Any nonsingleton dimensions must correspond to the nonsingleton dimensions of `psf`.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

J — Deblurred image

numeric array

Deblurred image, returned as a numeric array. `J` has the same data type as `I`.

lagra — Lagrange multiplier

numeric scalar

Lagrange multiplier, returned as a numeric scalar.

Tips

- The output image J could exhibit ringing introduced by the discrete Fourier transform used in the algorithm. To reduce the ringing, use $I = \text{edgetaper}(I, \text{psf})$ before calling `deconvreg`.

See Also

`deconvblind` | `deconvlucy` | `deconvwnr` | `edgetaper` | `otf2psf` | `padarray` | `psf2otf`

Topics

“Deblurring Images Using a Regularized Filter”

“Image Deblurring”

“Deblur with a Regularized Filter”

Introduced before R2006a

deconvwnr

Deblur image using Wiener filter

Syntax

```
J = deconvwnr(I,psf,nsr)
J = deconvwnr(I,psf,ncorr,icorr)
```

Description

`J = deconvwnr(I,psf,nsr)` deconvolves image `I` using the Wiener filter algorithm, returning deblurred image `J`. `psf` is the point-spread function (PSF) with which `I` was convolved. `nsr` is the noise-to-signal power ratio of the additive noise. The algorithm is optimal in a sense of least mean square error between the estimated and the true images.

`J = deconvwnr(I,psf,ncorr,icorr)` deconvolves image `I`, where `ncorr` is the autocorrelation function of the noise and `icorr` is the autocorrelation function of the original image.

Examples

Deblur Image Using Wiener Filter

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = im2double(imread('cameraman.tif'));
imshow(I);
title('Original Image (courtesy of MIT)');
```


Original Image (courtesy of MIT)



Simulate a motion blur.

```
LEN = 21;  
THETA = 11;  
PSF = fspecial('motion', LEN, THETA);  
blurred = imfilter(I, PSF, 'conv', 'circular');  
figure, imshow(blurred)
```



Simulate additive noise.

```
noise_mean = 0;
noise_var = 0.0001;
blurred_noisy = imnoise(blurred, 'gaussian', ...
                        noise_mean, noise_var);
figure, imshow(blurred_noisy)
title('Simulate Blur and Noise')
```

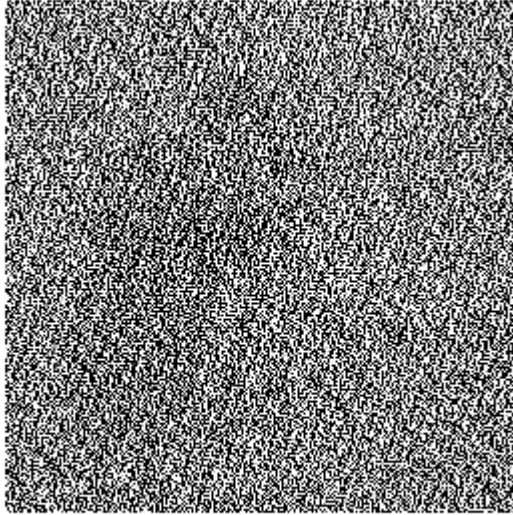
Simulate Blur and Noise



Try restoration assuming no noise.

```
estimated_nsr = 0;  
wnr2 = deconvwnr(blurred_noisy, PSF, estimated_nsr);  
figure, imshow(wnr2)  
title('Restoration of Blurred, Noisy Image Using NSR = 0')
```

Restoration of Blurred, Noisy Image Using NSR = 0



Try restoration using a better estimate of the noise-to-signal-power ratio.

```
estimated_nsr = noise_var / var(I(:));  
wnr3 = deconvwnr(blurred_noisy, PSF, estimated_nsr);  
figure, imshow(wnr3)  
title('Restoration of Blurred, Noisy Image Using Estimated NSR');
```

Restoration of Blurred, Noisy Image Using Estimated NSR



Input Arguments

I — Blurry image

numeric array

Blurry image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: single | double | int16 | uint8 | uint16

psf — PSF

numeric array

PSF, specified as a numeric array.

Data Types: double

nsr — Noise-to-signal ratio

positive scalar

Noise-to-signal ratio, specified as a positive scalar or numeric array of the same size as the image, *I*. If *nsr* is an array, then it represents the spectral domain. Specifying 0 for the *nsr* is equivalent to creating an ideal inverse filter.

Data Types: double

ncorr — Autocorrelation function of the noise

numeric array

Autocorrelation function of the noise, specified as a numeric array of any size or dimension, not exceeding the original image.

- If the dimensionality of *ncorr* matches the dimensionality of the image *I*, then the values correspond to the autocorrelation within each dimension.
- If *ncorr* is a vector and *psf* is also a vector, then the values in *ncorr* represent the autocorrelation function in the first dimension.
- If *ncorr* is a vector and *psf* is an array, then the 1-D autocorrelation function is extrapolated by symmetry to all non-singleton dimensions of *psf*.
- If *ncorr* is a scalar, then the value represents the power of the image noise.

Data Types: double

icorr — Autocorrelation function of the image

numeric array

Autocorrelation function of the image, specified as a numeric array of any size or dimension, not exceeding the original image.

- If the dimensionality of *icorr* matches the dimensionality of the image *I*, then the values correspond to the autocorrelation within each dimension.
- If *icorr* is a vector and *psf* is also a vector, then the values in *icorr* represent the autocorrelation function in the first dimension.
- If *icorr* is a vector and *psf* is an array, then the 1-D autocorrelation function is extrapolated by symmetry to all non-singleton dimensions of *psf*.
- If *icorr* is a scalar, then the value represents the power of the image noise.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

J — Deblurred image

numeric array

Deblurred image, returned as a numeric array. J has the same data type as I.

Tips

- The output image J could exhibit ringing introduced by the discrete Fourier transform used in the algorithm. To reduce the ringing, use `I = edgetaper(I,psf)` before calling `deconvwnr`.

References

- [1] "Digital Image Processing", R. C. Gonzalez & R. E. Woods, Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Inc., 1992.

See Also

`deconvblind` | `deconvlucy` | `deconvreg` | `edgetaper` | `otf2psf` | `padarray` | `psf2otf`

Topics

"Deblurring Images Using a Wiener Filter"

"Image Deblurring"

"Deblur with the Wiener Filter"

Introduced before R2006a

decorrstretch

Apply decorrelation stretch to multichannel image

Syntax

```
S = decorrstretch(A)  
S = decorrstretch(A,Name,Value)
```

Description

`S = decorrstretch(A)` applies a decorrelation stretch to RGB or multispectral image `A` and returns the result in `S`. The mean and variance in each band of `S` are the same as in `A`.

The primary purpose of decorrelation stretch is visual enhancement. Decorrelation stretching is a way to enhance the color differences in an image.

`S = decorrstretch(A,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control aspects of the decorrelation stretch, such as the target mean and standard deviation of each band.

Examples

Highlight Color Differences in Forest Scene

This example shows how to use decorrelation stretching to highlight elements in a forest image by exaggerating the color differences.

Read an image into the workspace.

```
[X, map] = imread('forest.tif');
```

Apply decorrelation stretching using `decorrstretch`.

```
S = decorrstretch(ind2rgb(X,map), 'tol', 0.01);
```


Display the original image and the enhanced image.

```
figure  
imshow(X,map)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



```
figure  
imshow(S)  
title('Enhanced Image')
```

Enhanced Image



Input Arguments

A — Image to be enhanced

RGB image | multispectral image

Image to be enhanced, specified as an RGB image or multispectral image of size m -by- n -by- n Bands. For an RGB image, n Bands = 3.

Data Types: single | double | int16 | uint8 | uint16

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `'Mode', 'covariance'`

Mode — Decorrelation method

`'correlation'` (default) | `'covariance'`

Decorrelation method, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Mode'` and of the following values.

- `'correlation'` — Uses the eigen decomposition of the band-to-band correlation matrix.
- `'covariance'` — Uses the eigen decomposition of the band-to-band covariance matrix.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

TargetMean — Target mean values

real scalar | vector of length `nBands`

Target mean values of the output bands, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'TargetMean'` and a real scalar or vector of length `nBands`. By default, `TargetMean` is an 1-by-`nBands` vector containing the sample mean of each band, which preserves the band-wise means before and after the decorrelation stretch.

`TargetMean` must be of class `double`, but uses the same values as the pixels in the input image. For example, if `A` is class `uint8`, then `127.5` would be a reasonable value. If values need to be clamped to the standard range of the input/output image class, it can impact the results.

Data Types: `double`

TargetSigma — Target standard deviation values

positive scalar | vector of length `nBands`

Target standard deviation values of the output bands, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'TargetSigma'` and a positive scalar or vector of length `nBands`. By

default, `TargetSigma` is an 1-by-nBands vector containing the sample standard deviation of each band, which preserves the band-wise variance before and after the decorrelation stretch. The target standard deviation is ignored for uniform (zero-variance) bands.

`TargetSigma` must be class `double`, but uses the same values as the pixels in the input image. For example, if `A` is of class `uint8`, then `50.0` would be a reasonable value.

Data Types: `double`

Tol — Linear contrast stretch

numeric scalar | 2-element numeric vector

Linear contrast stretch following the decorrelation stretch, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Tol'` and a numeric scalar or 2-element numeric vector of class `double`. Specifying a value of `Tol` overrides the value of `TargetMean` or `TargetSigma`. If you do not specify `Tol`, then by default `decorrstretch` does not perform linear contrast stretch.

`Tol` has the same meaning as in `stretchlim`, where `Tol = [LOW_FRACT HIGH_FRACT]` specifies the fraction of the image to saturate at low and high intensities. If you specify `Tol` as a scalar value, then `LOW_FRACT = Tol` and `HIGH_FRACT = 1 - Tol`, saturating equal fractions at low and high intensities.

Small adjustments to `Tol` can strongly affect the visual appearance of the output.

Data Types: `double`

SampleSubs — Subset of A used to compute the band-means, covariance, and correlation

cell array containing two arrays of pixel subscripts {`rowsubs`, `colsubs`}

Subset of `A` used to compute the band-means, covariance, and correlation, specified as a cell array containing two arrays of pixel subscripts {`rowsubs`, `colsubs`}. `rowsubs` and `colsubs` are vectors or matrices of matching size that contain row and column subscripts, respectively.

Use this option to reduce the amount of computation, to keep invalid or non-representative pixels from affecting the transformation, or both. For example, you can use `rowsubs` and `colsubs` to exclude areas of cloud cover. If not specified, `decorrstretch` uses all the pixels in `A`.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

S — Decorrelation stretched image

numeric array

Decorrelation stretched image, returned as a numeric array of the same size and class as the input image, A.

Tips

- The results of a straight decorrelation (without the contrast stretch option) may include values that fall outside the numerical range supported by the class `uint8` or `uint16` (negative values, or values exceeding 255 or 65535, respectively). In these cases, `decorstretch` clamps its output to the supported range.
- For class `double`, `decorstretch` clamps the output only when you provide a value for `Tol`, specifying a linear contrast stretch followed by clamping to the interval `[0 1]`.
- The optional parameters do not interact, except that a linear stretch usually alters both the band-wise means and band-wise standard deviations. Thus, while you can specify `TargetMean` and `TargetSigma` along with `Tol`, their effects will be modified.

Algorithms

A decorrelation stretch is a linear, pixel-wise operation in which the specific parameters depend on the values of actual and desired (target) image statistics. The vector `a` containing the value of a given pixel in each band of the input image A is transformed into the corresponding pixel `b` in output image B as follows:

$$b = T * (a - m) + m_target.$$

`a` and `b` are `nBands-by-1` vectors, `T` is an `nBands-by-nBands` matrix, and `m` and `m_target` are `nBands-by-1` vectors such that

- `m` contains the mean of each band in the image, or in a subset of image pixels that you specify
- `m_target` contains the desired output mean in each band. The default choice is `m_target = m`.

The linear transformation matrix T depends on the following:

- The band-to-band sample covariance of the image, or of a subset of the image that you specify (the same subset as used for m), represented by matrix Cov
- A desired output standard deviation in each band. This is conveniently represented by a diagonal matrix, $SIGMA_target$. The default choice is $SIGMA_target = SIGMA$, where $SIGMA$ is the diagonal matrix containing the sample standard deviation of each band. $SIGMA$ should be computed from the same pixels that were used for m and Cov , which means simply that:

$$SIGMA(k,k) = \text{sqrt}(Cov(k,k), k = 1, \dots, nBands).$$

Cov , $SIGMA$, and $SIGMA_target$ are $nBands$ -by- $nBands$, as are the matrices $Corr$, $LAMBDA$, and V , defined below.

The first step in computing T is to perform an eigen-decomposition of either the covariance matrix Cov or the correlation matrix

$$Corr = \text{inv}(SIGMA) * Cov * \text{inv}(SIGMA).$$

- In the correlation-based method, $Corr$ is decomposed: $Corr = V LAMBDA V'$.
- In the covariance-based method, Cov is decomposed: $Cov = V LAMBDA V'$.

$LAMBDA$ is a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues and V is the orthogonal matrix that transforms either $Corr$ or Cov to $LAMBDA$.

The next step is to compute a stretch factor for each band, which is the inverse square root of the corresponding eigenvalue. It is convenient to define a diagonal matrix S containing the stretch factors, such that:

$$S(k,k) = 1 / \text{sqrt}(LAMBDA(k,k)).$$

Finally, matrix T is computed from either

$$T = SIGMA_target V S V' \text{inv}(SIGMA) \text{ (correlation-based method)}$$

or

$$T = SIGMA_target V S V' \text{ (covariance-based method)}.$$

The two methods yield identical results if the band variances are uniform.

Substituting T into the expression for b :

$$b = m_target + SIGMA_target V S V' inv(SIGMA) * (a - m)$$

or

$$b = m_target + SIGMA_target V S V' * (a - m)$$

and reading from right to left, you can see that the decorrelation stretch:

- 1** Removes a mean from each band
- 2** Normalizes each band by its standard deviation (correlation-based method only)
- 3** Rotates the bands into the eigenspace of Corr or Cov
- 4** Applies a stretch S in the eigenspace, leaving the image decorrelated and normalized in the eigenspace
- 5** Rotates back to the original band-space, where the bands remain decorrelated and normalized
- 6** Rescales each band according to $SIGMA_target$
- 7** Restores a mean in each band.

See Also

`imadjust` | `stretchlim`

Introduced before R2006a

demosaic

Convert Bayer pattern encoded image to truecolor image

Syntax

```
RGB = demosaic(I,sensorAlignment)
```

Description

`RGB = demosaic(I,sensorAlignment)` converts the Bayer pattern encoded image, `I`, to the truecolor image, `RGB`, using gradient-corrected linear interpolation. `sensorAlignment` specifies the Bayer pattern.

A Bayer filter mosaic, or color filter array, refers to the arrangement of color filters that let each sensor in a single-sensor digital camera record only red, green, or blue data. The patterns emphasize the number of green sensors to mimic the human eye's greater sensitivity to green light. The `demosaic` function uses interpolation to convert the two-dimensional Bayer-encoded image into the truecolor image.

Examples

Convert a Bayer Pattern Encoded Image To an RGB Image

Convert a Bayer pattern encoded image that was photographed by a camera with a sensor alignment of 'bggr' .

```
I = imread('mandi.tif');  
J = demosaic(I,'bggr');  
imshow(I);
```




```
figure, imshow(J);
```



Input Arguments

I — Bayer-pattern encoded image

M-by-*N* array of intensity values

Bayer-pattern encoded image, specified as an *M*-by-*N* array of intensity values. **I** must have at least 5 rows and 5 columns.

Data Types: uint8 | uint16 | uint32

sensorAlignment — Bayer pattern

'gbrg' | 'grbg' | 'bggr' | 'rggb'

Bayer pattern, specified as one of the values in the following table. Each value represents the order of the red, green, and blue sensors by describing the four pixels in the upper-left corner of the image (left-to-right, top-to-bottom).

Pattern	2-by-2 Sensor Alignment				
'gbrg'	<table border="1"><tr><td>Green</td><td>Blue</td></tr><tr><td>Red</td><td>Green</td></tr></table>	Green	Blue	Red	Green
Green	Blue				
Red	Green				
'grbg'	<table border="1"><tr><td>Green</td><td>Red</td></tr><tr><td>Blue</td><td>Green</td></tr></table>	Green	Red	Blue	Green
Green	Red				
Blue	Green				
'bggr'	<table border="1"><tr><td>Blue</td><td>Green</td></tr><tr><td>Green</td><td>Red</td></tr></table>	Blue	Green	Green	Red
Blue	Green				
Green	Red				

Pattern	2-by-2 Sensor Alignment				
'rggb'	<table border="1"><tr><td>Red</td><td>Green</td></tr><tr><td>Green</td><td>Blue</td></tr></table>	Red	Green	Green	Blue
Red	Green				
Green	Blue				

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

RGB — RGB image

M-by-*N*-by-3 numeric array

RGB image, returned as an *M*-by-*N*-by-3 numeric array the same class as *I*.

References

- [1] Malvar, H.S., L. He, and R. Cutler, *High quality linear interpolation for demosaicing of Bayer-patterned color images*. ICASPP, Volume 34, Issue 11, pp. 2274-2282, May 2004.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `demosaic` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

- `sensorAlignment` must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

Introduced in R2007b

denoiseImage

Denoise image using deep neural network

Syntax

```
B = denoiseImage(A,net)
```

Description

`B = denoiseImage(A,net)` estimates denoised image `B` from noisy image `A` using a denoising deep neural network specified by `net`.

This function requires that you have Deep Learning Toolbox™.

Examples

Remove Image Noise Using Pretrained Neural Network

Retrieve the pretrained denoising convolutional neural network, 'DnCNN'.

```
net = denoisingNetwork('DnCNN');
```

Load a grayscale image into the workspace, then create a noisy version of the image. Display the two images.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
noisyI = imnoise(I,'gaussian',0,0.01);  
figure  
imshowpair(I,noisyI,'montage');  
title('Original Image (left) and Noisy Image (right)')
```

Original Image (left) and Noisy Image (right)



Remove noise from the noisy image, and display the result.

```
denoisedI = denoiseImage(noisyI, net);  
figure  
imshow(denoisedI)  
title('Denoised Image')
```

Denoised Image



Input Arguments

A — Noisy image

2-D image | stack of 2-D images

Noisy image, specified as a single 2-D image or a stack of 2-D images. A can be:

- A 2-D grayscale image with size m -by- n .
- A 2-D multichannel image with size m -by- n -by- c , where c is the number of image channels. For example, c is 3 for RGB images, and 4 for four-channel images such as RGB images with an infrared channel.
- A stack of equally-sized 2-D images. In this case, A has size m -by- n -by- c -by- p , where p is the number of images in the stack.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

net — Denoising deep neural network

SeriesNetwork object

Denoising deep neural network, specified as a SeriesNetwork object. The network should be trained to handle images with the same channel format as A.

Output Arguments

B — Denoised image

2-D image | stack of 2-D images

Denoised image, returned as a single 2-D image or a stack of 2-D images. B has the same size and data type as A.

See Also

denoisingImageDatastore | denoisingNetwork | dnCNNLayers

Topics

“Train and Apply Denoising Neural Networks”

Introduced in R2017b

denoisingImageDatstore

Denoising image datastore

Description

Use a `denoisingImageDatstore` object to generate batches of noisy image patches and corresponding noise patches from images in an `ImageDatstore`. The patches are used to train a denoising deep neural network.

This object requires that you have Deep Learning Toolbox.

Note When you use a denoising image datastore as a source of training data, the datastore adds random noise to the image patches for each epoch, so that each epoch uses a slightly different data set. The actual number of training images at each epoch is increased by a factor of `PatchesPerImage`. The noisy image patches and corresponding noise patches are not stored in memory.

Creation

Syntax

```
dnimds = denoisingImageDatstore(imds)
dnimds = denoisingImageDatstore(imds,Name,Value)
```

Description

`dnimds = denoisingImageDatstore(imds)` creates a denoising image datastore, `dnimds` using images from image datastore `imds`. To generate noisy image patches, the denoising image datastore randomly crops pristine images from `imds` then adds zero-mean Gaussian white noise with a standard deviation of `0.1` to the image patches.

`dnimds = denoisingImageDatstore(imds,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to specify the two-dimensional image patch size or to set the `PatchesPerImage`,

`GaussianNoiseLevel`, `ChannelFormat`, and `DispatchInBackground` properties. You can specify multiple name-value pairs. Enclose each argument or property name in quotes.

For example, `denoisingImageDatastore(imds, 'PatchesPerImage', 40)` creates a denoising image datastore and randomly generates 40 noisy patches from each image in the image datastore, `imds`.

Input Arguments

imds — Images with labels for classification problems

ImageDatastore object

Images, specified as an ImageDatastore object with categorical labels. You can store data in ImageDatastore for only classification problems.

ImageDatastore allows batch-reading of JPG or PNG image files using prefetching. If you use a custom function for reading the images, prefetching does not happen.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `denoisingImageDatastore(imds, 'patchSize', 48)` creates a denoising image datastore that has a square patch size of 48 pixels.

patchSize — Patch size

50 (default) | scalar | 2-element vector

Patch size, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'patchSize'` and a scalar or 2-element vector with positive integer values. This argument sets the first two elements of the `PatchSize` property.

- If `'patchSize'` is a scalar, then the patches are square.
- If `'patchSize'` is a 2-element vector of the form `[r c]`, then the first element specifies the number of rows in the patch, and the second element specifies the number of columns.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Properties

ChannelFormat — Channel format

'grayscale' (default) | 'rgb'

Channel format, specified as 'grayscale' or 'rgb'.

Data Types: char

DispatchInBackground — Dispatch observations in background

false (default) | true

Dispatch observations in the background during training, prediction, and classification, specified as `false` or `true`. To use background dispatching, you must have Parallel Computing Toolbox. If `DispatchInBackground` is `true` and you have Parallel Computing Toolbox, then `denoisingImageDatastore` asynchronously reads patches, adds noise, and queues patch pairs.

GaussianNoiseLevel — Gaussian noise standard deviation

0.1 (default) | scalar | 2-element vector

Gaussian noise standard deviation as a fraction of the image class maximum, specified as a scalar or 2-element vector with values in the range [0, 1].

- If `GaussianNoiseLevel` is a scalar, then the standard deviation of the added zero-mean Gaussian white noise is identical for all image patches.
- If `GaussianNoiseLevel` is a 2-element vector, then it specifies a range of standard deviations [*stdmin* *stdmax*]. The standard deviation of the added zero-mean Gaussian white noise is unique for each image patch, and is randomly sampled from a uniform distribution with the range [*stdmin* *stdmax*].

Data Types: single | double

MiniBatchSize — Number of observations in each batch

positive integer

This property is read-only.

Number of observations that are returned in each batch. For training, prediction, or classification, the `MiniBatchSize` property is set to the mini-batch size defined in `trainingOptions`.

NumObservations — Total number of observations in the datastore

positive integer

This property is read-only.

Total number of observations in the denoising image datastore. The number of observations is the length of one training epoch.

PatchesPerImage — Number of random patches per image

512 (default) | positive integer

Number of random patches per image, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

PatchSize — Patch size

[50 50 1] (default) | 3-element vector of positive integers

This property is read-only.

Patch size, specified as a 3-element vector of positive integers. If you create a denoising image datastore by specifying a 'patchSize' name-value pair argument, then the first two elements of the PatchSize property are set according to the value of the patchSize argument.

The ChannelFormat property determines the third element of the PatchSize property.

- If ChannelFormat is 'Grayscale', then all color images are converted to grayscale and the third element of PatchSize is 1.
- If ChannelFormat is 'RGB', then grayscale images are replicated to simulate an RGB image and the third element of PatchSize is 3.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

Object Functions

hasdata	Determine if data is available to read
partitionByIndex	Partition denoisingImageDatastore according to indices
preview	Subset of data in datastore
read	Read data from denoisingImageDatastore
readall	Read all data in datastore

readByIndex	Read data specified by index from denoisingImageDatastore
reset	Reset datastore to initial state
shuffle	Shuffle data in denoisingImageDatastore

Examples

Create Denoising Image Datastore

Get an image datastore. The datastore in this example contains color images.

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata');  
imds = imageDatastore(setDir,'FileExtensions',{' .jpg'});
```

Create a `denoisingImageDatastore` object that creates many patches from each image in the image datastore, and adds Gaussian noise to the patches. Set the optional `PatchesPerImage`, `PatchSize`, `GaussianNoiseLevel`, and `ChannelFormat` properties of the `denoisingImageDatastore` using name-value pairs. When you set the `ChannelFormat` property to `'grayscale'`, the `denoisingImageDatastore` converts all color images to grayscale.

```
dnds = denoisingImageDatastore(imds,...  
    'PatchesPerImage',512,...  
    'PatchSize',50,...  
    'GaussianNoiseLevel',[0.01 0.1],...  
    'ChannelFormat','grayscale')  
  
dnds =  
    denoisingImageDatastore with properties:  
  
        PatchesPerImage: 512  
        PatchSize: [50 50 1]  
    GaussianNoiseLevel: [0.0100 0.1000]  
        ChannelFormat: 'grayscale'  
        MiniBatchSize: 128  
        NumObservations: 18944  
    DispatchInBackground: 0
```

Tips

- Training a deep neural network for a range of Gaussian noise standard deviations is a much more difficult problem than training a network for a single Gaussian noise standard deviation. You should create more patches compared to a single noise level case, and training might take more time.
- To visualize the data in a denoising image datastore, you can use the `preview` function, which returns a subset of data in a table. The `input` variable contains the noisy image patches and the `response` variable contains the corresponding noise patches. Visualize all of the noisy image patches or noise patches in the same figure by using the `montage` function. For example, this code displays data in a denoising image datastore called `dnimds`.

```
minibatch = preview(dnimds);  
montage(minibatch.input)  
figure  
montage(minibatch.response)
```

- Each time images are read from the denoising image datastore, a different random amount of Gaussian noise is added to each image.

See Also

`denoiseImage` | `denoisingNetwork` | `dnCNNLayers` | `trainNetwork`

Topics

“Train and Apply Denoising Neural Networks”

Introduced in R2018a

partitionByIndex

Partition `denoisingImageDatastore` according to indices

Syntax

```
dnimds2 = partitionByIndex(dnimds,ind)
```

Description

`dnimds2 = partitionByIndex(dnimds,ind)` partitions a subset of observations in a denoising image datastore, `dnimds`, into a new datastore, `dnimds2`. The desired observations are specified by indices, `ind`.

Input Arguments

dnimds — Denoising image datastore

`denoisingImageDatastore`

Denoising image datastore, specified as a `denoisingImageDatastore` object.

ind — Indices

vector of positive integers

Indices of observations, specified as a vector of positive integers.

Output Arguments

dnimds2 — Output datastore

`denoisingImageDatastore` object

Output datastore, returned as a `denoisingImageDatastore` object containing a subset of files from `dnimds`.

See Also

denoisingImageDatastore | read | readByIndex | readall

Introduced in R2018a

read

Read data from `denoisingImageDatastore`

Syntax

```
data = read(dnims)  
[data,info] = read(dnims)
```

Description

`data = read(dnims)` returns a batch of data from a denoising image datastore, `dnims`. Subsequent calls to the `read` function continue reading from the endpoint of the previous call.

`[data,info] = read(dnims)` also returns information about the extracted data, including metadata, in `info`.

Input Arguments

dnims — Denoising image datastore

`denoisingImageDatastore`

Denoising image datastore, specified as a `denoisingImageDatastore` object. The datastore specifies a `MiniBatchSize` number of observations in each batch, and a `numObservations` total number of observations.

Output Arguments

data — Output data

table

Output data, returned as a table with `MiniBatchSize` number of rows.

For the last batch of data in the datastore `dnimds`, if `numObservations` is not cleanly divisible by `MiniBatchSize`, then `read` returns a partial batch containing all the remaining observations in the datastore.

info – Information about read data

structure array

Information about read data, returned as a structure array. The structure array can contain the following fields.

Field Name	Description
<code>CurrentFileIndices</code>	Current read index of the denoising image datastore.

See Also

`denoisingImageDatastore` | `matlab.io.datastore.read` | `readByIndex` | `readall`

Introduced in R2018a

readByIndex

Read data specified by index from `denoisingImageDatastore`

Syntax

```
data = readByIndex(dnims,ind)
[data,info] = readByIndex(dnims,ind)
```

Description

`data = readByIndex(dnims,ind)` returns a subset of observations from a denoising image datastore, `dnims`. The desired observations are specified by indices, `ind`.

`[data,info] = readByIndex(dnims,ind)` also returns information about the observations, including metadata, in `info`.

Input Arguments

dnims — Denoising image datastore

`denoisingImageDatastore`

Denoising image datastore, specified as a `denoisingImageDatastore` object.

ind — Indices

vector of positive integers

Indices of observations, specified as a vector of positive integers.

Output Arguments

data — Observations from datastore

table

Observations from the datastore, returned as a table with `length(ind)` number of rows.

info — Information about read data

structure array

Information about read data, returned as a structure array. The structure array can contain the following fields.

Field Name	Description
CurrentFileIndices	Numeric vector containing the indices of all read files of the denoising image datastore.

See Also

denoisingImageDatastore | partitionByIndex | read | readall

Introduced in R2018a

shuffle

Shuffle data in `denoisingImageDatastore`

Syntax

```
dnimds2 = shuffle(dnimds)
```

Description

`dnimds2 = shuffle(dnimds)` returns a `denoisingImageDatastore` object containing a random ordering of the data from denoising image datastore `dnimds`.

Input Arguments

dnimds — Denoising image datastore

`denoisingImageDatastore`

Denoising image datastore, specified as a `denoisingImageDatastore` object.

Output Arguments

dnimds2 — Output datastore

`denoisingImageDatastore` object

Output datastore, returned as a `denoisingImageDatastore` object containing randomly ordered files from `dnimds`.

See Also

`denoisingImageDatastore` | `read` | `readByIndex` | `readall`

Introduced in R2018a

denoisingImageSource

(To be removed) Create denoising image datastore

Note `denoisingImageSource` will be removed in a future release. Use `denoisingImageDatastore` instead. For more information, see [Compatibility Considerations](#).

Syntax

```
dnimds = denoisingImageSource(imds)
dnimds = denoisingImageSource(imds,Name,Value)
```

Description

`dnimds = denoisingImageSource(imds)` creates a denoising image datastore, `dnimds`, that generates pairs of randomly cropped pristine and noisy image patches from images in image datastore `imds`.

`dnimds = denoisingImageSource(imds,Name,Value)` sets properties on page 1-470 of the denoising image datastore using name-value pairs. You can specify multiple name-value pairs. Enclose each argument name in quotes.

Examples

Create Denoising Image Datastore Using `denoisingImageSource`

Get an image datastore. This datastore contains RGB images.

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata');
imds = imageDatastore(setDir,'FileExtensions',{' .jpg'});
```

Create a `denoisingImageSource` object. The image source creates many patches from each image in the datastore, and adds Gaussian noise to the patches. Set the optional

PatchesPerImage, PatchSize, GaussianNoiseLevel, and ChannelFormat properties of the denoisingImageSource using name-value pairs.

```
dnimds = denoisingImageSource(imds,...
    'PatchesPerImage',512,...
    'PatchSize',50,...
    'GaussianNoiseLevel',[0.01 0.1],...
    'ChannelFormat','RGB')

dnimds =
    denoisingImageDatastore with properties:

        PatchesPerImage: 512
        PatchSize: [50 50 3]
        GaussianNoiseLevel: [0.0100 0.1000]
        ChannelFormat: 'rgb'
        MiniBatchSize: 128
        NumObservations: 18944
        DispatchInBackground: 0
```

Input Arguments

imds — Images with labels for classification problems

ImageDatastore object

Images, specified as an ImageDatastore object with categorical labels. You can store data in ImageDatastore for only classification problems.

ImageDatastore allows batch-reading of JPG or PNG image files using prefetching. If you use a custom function for reading the images, prefetching does not happen.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of Name, Value arguments. Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN.

Example: denoisingImageSource(imds, 'patchSize', 48) creates a denoising image datastore that has a square patch size of 48 pixels.

patchSize — Patch size

50 (default) | scalar | 2-element vector

Patch size, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'patchSize' and a scalar or 2-element vector with positive integer values. This argument sets the first two elements of the PatchSize on page 1-0 property of the returned denoising image datastore, dnmids.

- When 'patchSize' is a scalar, the patches are square
- When 'patchSize' is a 2-element vector of the form [r c], the first element specifies the number of rows in the patch, and the second element specifies the number of columns

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

PatchesPerImage — Number of random patches per image

512 (default) | positive integer

Number of random patches per image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'PatchesPerImage' and a positive integer. This argument sets the PatchesPerImage on page 1-0 property of the returned denoising image datastore, dnmids.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

GaussianNoiseLevel — Gaussian noise standard deviation

0.1 (default) | scalar | 2-element vector

Gaussian noise standard deviation as a fraction of the image class maximum, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'GaussianNoiseLevel' and a scalar or 2-element vector with values in the range [0, 1]. This argument sets the GaussianNoiseLevel on page 1-0 property of the returned denoising image datastore, dnmids.

- If GaussianNoiseLevel is a scalar, then the standard deviation of the added zero-mean Gaussian white noise is identical for all image patches.
- If GaussianNoiseLevel is a 2-element vector, then it specifies a range of standard deviations [stdmin stdmax]. The standard deviation of the added zero-mean Gaussian white noise is unique for each image patch, and is randomly sampled from a uniform distribution with the range [stdmin stdmax].

Data Types: single | double

ChannelFormat — Channel format`'Grayscale' (default) | 'RGB'`

Channel format, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ChannelFormat'` and `'Grayscale'` or `'RGB'`. This argument sets the `ChannelFormat` on page 1-0 property of the returned denoising image datastore, `dnimds`.

Data Types: `char`

BackgroundExecution — Preprocess training patches in parallel`false (default) | true`

Preprocess training patches in parallel, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'BackgroundExecution'` and `true` or `false`. This argument sets the `DispatchInBackground` on page 1-0 property of the returned denoising image datastore, `dnimds`. If `BackgroundExecution` is `true` and you have Parallel Computing Toolbox, then the denoising image datastore asynchronously reads patches, adds noise, and queues patch pairs.

Data Types: `char`

Output Arguments

`dnimds` — Denoising image datastore`denoisingImageDatastore` object

Denoising image datastore, returned as an `denoisingImageDatastore` object.

Compatibility Considerations

`denoisingImageSource` object is removed

In R2017b, you could create a `denoisingImageSource` object for training deep learning networks. Starting in R2018a, the `denoisingImageSource` object has been removed. Use a `denoisingImageDatastore` object instead.

A `denoisingImageDatastore` has additional properties and methods to assist with data preprocessing. Unlike `denoisingImageSource`, which could be used for training only, you can use a `denoisingImageDatastore` for both training and prediction.

To create a `denoisingImageDatastore` object, you can use either the `denoisingImageDatastore` function (recommended) or the `denoisingImageSource` function.

denoisingImageSource function will be removed

Not recommended starting in R2018a

The `denoisingImageSource` function will be removed in a future release. Create a `denoisingImageDatastore` using the `denoisingImageDatastore` function instead.

To update your code, change instances of the function name `denoisingImageSource` to `denoisingImageDatastore`. You do not need to change the input arguments.

See Also

`denoisingImageDatastore`

Introduced in R2017b

denoisingNetwork

Get image denoising network

Syntax

```
net = denoisingNetwork(modelName)
```

Description

`net = denoisingNetwork(modelName)` returns a pretrained image denoising deep neural network specified by `modelName`.

This function requires that you have Deep Learning Toolbox.

Examples

Get Pretrained Image Denoising Network

Get the pretrained image denoising convolutional neural network, 'DnCNN'.

```
net = denoisingNetwork('DnCNN')
```

```
net =  
  SeriesNetwork with properties:  
    Layers: [59x1 nnet.cnn.layer.Layer]
```

See `denoiseImage` for an example of how to denoise an image using the pretrained network.

Input Arguments

modelName — Name of neural network

'DnCNN'

Name of pretrained denoising deep neural network, specified as the character vector 'DnCNN'. This is the only pretrained denoising network currently available, and it is trained for grayscale images only.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

net — Denoising deep neural network

`SeriesNetwork` object

Pretrained denoising deep neural network, returned as a `SeriesNetwork` object.

References

- [1] Zhang, K., W. Zuo, Y. Chen, D. Meng, and L. Zhang. "Beyond a Gaussian Denoiser: Residual Learning of Deep CNN for Image Denoising." *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*. Vol. 26, Number 7, Feb. 2017, pp. 3142-3155.

See Also

`denoiseImage` | `denoisingImageDatastore` | `dnCNNLayers`

Topics

"Train and Apply Denoising Neural Networks"

Introduced in R2017b

dice

Sørensen-Dice similarity coefficient for image segmentation

Syntax

```
similarity = dice(BW1,BW2)
similarity = dice(L1,L2)
similarity = dice(C1,C2)
```

Description

`similarity = dice(BW1,BW2)` computes the Sørensen-Dice similarity coefficient between binary images `BW1` and `BW2`.

`similarity = dice(L1,L2)` computes the Dice index for each label in label images `L1` and `L2`.

`similarity = dice(C1,C2)` computes the Dice index for each category in categorical images `C1` and `C2`.

Examples

Compute Dice Similarity Coefficient for Binary Segmentation

Read an image with an object to segment. Convert the image to grayscale, and display the result.

```
A = imread('hands1.jpg');
I = rgb2gray(A);
figure
imshow(I)
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Use active contours (snakes) to segment the hand.

```
mask = false(size(I));  
mask(25:end-25,25:end-25) = true;  
BW = activecontour(I, mask, 300);
```

Read in the ground truth segmentation.

```
BW_groundTruth = imread('hands1-mask.png');
```

Compute the Dice index of the active contours segmentation against the ground truth.

```
similarity = dice(BW, BW_groundTruth);
```

Display the masks on top of each other. Colors indicate differences in the masks.

```
figure  
imshowpair(BW, BW_groundTruth)  
title(['Dice Index = ' num2str(similarity)])
```




Compute Dice Similarity Coefficient for Multi-Region Segmentation

This example shows how to segment an image into multiple regions. The example then computes the Dice similarity coefficient for each region.

Read an image with several regions to segment.

```
RGB = imread('yellowlily.jpg');
```

Create scribbles for three regions that distinguish their typical color characteristics. The first region classifies the yellow flower. The second region classifies the green stem and leaves. The last region classifies the brown dirt in two separate patches of the image. Regions are specified by a 4-element vector, whose elements indicate the x- and y-coordinate of the upper left corner of the ROI, the width of the ROI, and the height of the ROI.

```
region1 = [350 700 425 120]; % [x y w h] format
BW1 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
```

```
BW1(region1(2):region1(2)+region1(4),region1(1):region1(1)+region1(3)) = true;

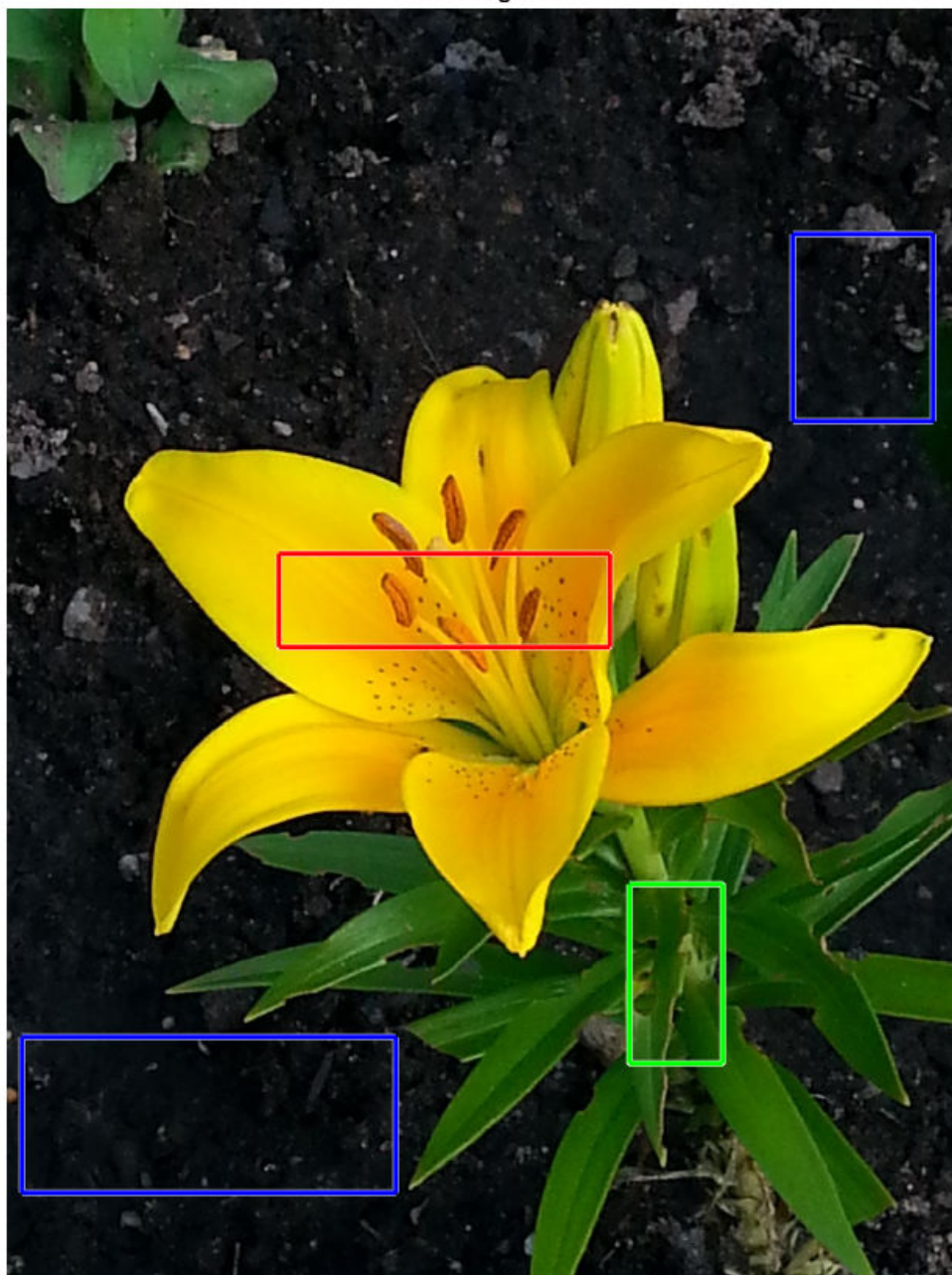
region2 = [800 1124 120 230];
BW2 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW2(region2(2):region2(2)+region2(4),region2(1):region2(1)+region2(3)) = true;

region3 = [20 1320 480 200; 1010 290 180 240];
BW3 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW3(region3(1,2):region3(1,2)+region3(1,4),region3(1,1):region3(1,1)+region3(1,3)) = t
BW3(region3(2,2):region3(2,2)+region3(2,4),region3(2,1):region3(2,1)+region3(2,3)) = t
```

Display the seed regions on top of the image.

```
figure
imshow(IMG)
hold on
visboundaries(BW1, 'Color', 'r');
visboundaries(BW2, 'Color', 'g');
visboundaries(BW3, 'Color', 'b');
title('Seed Regions')
```

Seed Regions



Segment the image into three regions using geodesic distance-based color segmentation.

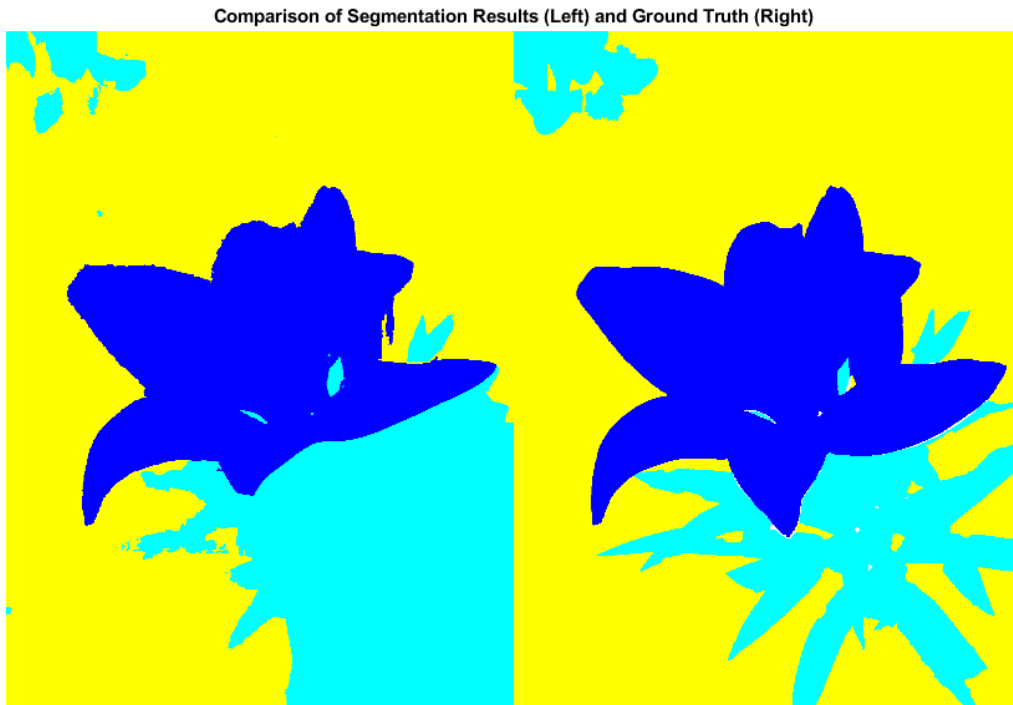
```
L = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2,BW3,'AdaptiveChannelWeighting',true);
```

Load a ground truth segmentation of the image.

```
L_groundTruth = double(imread('yellowlily-segmented.png'));
```

Visually compare the segmentation results with the ground truth.

```
figure  
imshowpair(label2rgb(L),label2rgb(L_groundTruth),'montage')  
title('Comparison of Segmentation Results (Left) and Ground Truth (Right)')
```



Compute the Dice similarity index for each segmented region.

```
similarity = dice(L, L_groundTruth)
```

```
similarity = 3x1
    0.9396
    0.7247
    0.9139
```

The Dice similarity index is noticeably smaller for the second region. This result is consistent with the visual comparison of the segmentation results, which erroneously classifies the dirt in the lower right corner of the image as leaves.

Input Arguments

BW1 — First binary image

logical array

First binary image, specified as a logical array of any dimension.

Data Types: logical

BW2 — Second binary image

logical array

Second binary image, specified as a logical array of the same size as BW1.

Data Types: logical

L1 — First label image

array of nonnegative integers

First label image, specified as an array of nonnegative integers, of any dimension.

Data Types: double

L2 — Second label image

array of nonnegative integers

Second label image, specified as an array of nonnegative integers, of the same size as L1.

Data Types: double

C1 — First categorical image

categorical array

First categorical image, specified as a `categorical` array of any dimension.

Data Types: `category`

C2 — Second categorical image

`categorical` array

Second categorical image, specified as a `categorical` array of the same size as C1.

Data Types: `category`

Output Arguments

similarity — Dice similarity coefficient

numeric scalar | numeric vector

Dice similarity coefficient, returned as a numeric scalar or numeric vector with values in the range [0, 1]. A `similarity` of 1 means that the segmentations in the two images are a perfect match. If the input arrays are:

- binary images, `similarity` is a scalar.
- label images, `similarity` is a vector, where the first coefficient is the Dice index for label 1, the second coefficient is the Dice index for label 2, and so on.
- categorical images, `similarity` is a vector, where the first coefficient is the Dice index for the first category, the second coefficient is the Dice index for the second category, and so on.

Data Types: `double`

Definitions

Dice Similarity Coefficient

The Dice similarity coefficient of two sets A and B is expressed as:

$$\text{dice}(A,B) = 2 * |\text{intersection}(A,B)| / (|A| + |B|)$$

where $|A|$ represents the cardinal of set A . The Dice index can also be expressed in terms of true positives (TP), false positives (FP) and false negatives (FN) as:

$$\text{dice}(A,B) = 2 * TP / (2 * TP + FP + FN)$$

The Dice index is related to the Jaccard index according to:

$$\text{dice}(A,B) = 2 * \text{jaccard}(A,B) / (1 + \text{jaccard}(A,B))$$

See Also

[bfscore](#) | [jaccard](#)

Introduced in R2017b

dicomanon

Anonymize DICOM file

Syntax

```
dicomanon(file_in,file_out)
dicomanon( __ , 'keep', fields)
dicomanon( __ , 'update', attributes)
dicomanon( __ , Name, Value)
```

Description

`dicomanon(file_in,file_out)` removes confidential medical information from the DICOM file `file_in` and creates a new file `file_out` with the modified values. Image data and other attributes are unmodified.

`dicomanon(__ , 'keep', fields)` modifies all of the confidential data except for those listed in `fields`. This syntax is useful for keeping metadata that does not uniquely identify the patient but is useful for diagnostic purposes (such as `PatientAge` and `PatientSex`).

Note Keeping certain fields might compromise patient confidentiality.

`dicomanon(__ , 'update', attributes)` modifies the confidential data and updates particular confidential data listed in `attributes`. Use this syntax to preserve the Study/Series/Image hierarchy or to replace a specific value with a more generic property (such as removing `PatientBirthDate` but keeping a computed `PatientAge`).

`dicomanon(__ , Name, Value)` uses name-value pairs to provide additional options to the parser.

Examples

Remove All Confidential Metadata from DICOM File

Create a version of a DICOM file with all the personal information removed.

```
dicomanon('US-PAL-8-10x-echo.dcm', 'US-PAL-anonymized.dcm');
```

Create a version of a DICOM file with personal information removed, keeping certain fields that could be useful for training.

```
dicomanon('US-PAL-8-10x-echo.dcm', 'US-PAL-anonymized.dcm', 'keep', ...
          {'PatientAge', 'PatientSex', 'StudyDescription'})
```

Anonymize a series of images, keeping the hierarchy.

```
values.StudyInstanceUID = dicomuid;
values.SeriesInstanceUID = dicomuid;

d = dir('*.dcm');
for p = 1:numel(d)
    dicomanon(d(p).name, sprintf('anon%d.dcm', p), ...
              'update', values)
end
```

Input Arguments

file_in — Name of DICOM file to read

character vector | string scalar

Name of DICOM file to read, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: char | string

file_out — Name of anonymized DICOM file to write

character vector | string scalar

Name of anonymized DICOM file to write, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: char | string

fields — Names of fields to preserve

cell array

Names of the fields to preserve, specified as a cell array of field names.

attributes — Names of the attributes to preserve

structure

Names of the attributes to preserve, specified as a structure whose fields are attribute names. The structure values are the attribute values to preserve.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `dicomanon('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm', 'CT-MON02-16-ankle_anon.dcm', 'UseVRHeuristic', false)`

WritePrivate — Write nonstandard attributes to the anonymized file

false (default) | true

Write nonstandard attributes to the anonymized file, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'WritePrivate' and false or true.

When set to true, then `dicomanon` includes private extensions in the file, which could compromise patient confidentiality.

Data Types: logical

UseVRHeuristic — Read noncompliant DICOM files that switch VR modes incorrectly

true (default) | false

Read noncompliant DICOM files that switch value representation (VR) modes incorrectly, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UseVRHeuristic' and true or false.

When 'UseVRHeuristic' is true (the default), then `dicomanon` instructs the parser to use a heuristic to help read certain noncompliant files which switch value representation (VR) modes incorrectly. A small number of compliant files will not be read correctly. `dicomanon` displays a warning if the heuristic is employed. Set 'UseVRHeuristic' to false to read these compliant files. Compliant files are always written.

Data Types: logical

Tips

- For information about the fields that will be modified or removed, see DICOM Supplement 55 from <https://www.dicomstandard.org/>.

See Also

`dicomdict` | `dicomdisp` | `dicominfo` | `dicomlookup` | `dicomread` | `dicomuid` | `dicomwrite`

Introduced before R2006a

dicomCollection

Gather details about related series of DICOM files

Syntax

```
collection = dicomCollection(directory)
collection = dicomCollection(directory, 'IncludeSubfolders', TF)
collection = dicomCollection(DICOMDIR)
```

Description

`collection = dicomCollection(directory)` gathers details about the DICOM files contained in `directory` and returns them in the table `collection`. The `dicomCollection` function aggregates details by DICOM series, using the value of the `SeriesInstanceUID` metadata field in each file to determine series membership. A DICOM series is a logically related set of images from an imaging operation.

`collection = dicomCollection(directory, 'IncludeSubfolders', TF)` recursively searches for DICOM files below `directory` when `TF` is true (the default). When `TF` is false, `dicomCollection` only within `directory`.

`collection = dicomCollection(DICOMDIR)` gathers details about the DICOM files referenced in the DICOM directory file `DICOMDIR`. A DICOM directory file (`DICOMDIR`) is a special DICOM file that serves as a directory to a collection of DICOM files stored on removable media, such as CD/DVD ROMs.

Examples

Gather Details from DICOM Files in Sample Image Folder

Gather information about the DICOM files in the Image Processing Toolbox sample image folder.

```
details = dicomCollection(fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox/images/imdata'))
```

```
details =
```

```
5x14 table
```

	StudyDateTime	SeriesDateTime	PatientName	PatientSex	Modality	Row
s1	30-Apr-1993 11:27:24	[30-Apr-1993 11:27:24]	"Anonymized"	" "	"CT"	512
s2	14-Dec-2013 15:47:31	[14-Dec-2013 15:54:33]	"GORBERG MITZI"	"F"	"MR"	512
s3	03-Oct-2011 19:18:11	[03-Oct-2011 18:59:02]	" "	"M"	"MR"	512
s4	03-Oct-2011 19:18:11	[03-Oct-2011 19:05:04]	" "	"M"	"MR"	512
s5	30-Jan-1994 11:25:01	[]	"Anonymized"	" "	"US"	430

Gather Details about DICOM Files from DICOMDIR File

Gather information about DICOM files in a folder from a DICOMDIR file.

```
details = dicomCollection(fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox/images/imdata/DICOMDIR'))
```

```
details =
```

```
4x14 table
```

	StudyDateTime	SeriesDateTime	PatientName	PatientSex	Modality	Rows	Column
s1	30-Apr-1993 11:27:24	' '	"Anonymized"	" "	"CT"	512	512
s2	30-Jan-1994 11:25:01	' '	"Anonymized"	" "	"US"	430	600
s3	03-Oct-2011 19:18:11	' '	" "	" "	"MR"	512	512
s4	03-Oct-2011 19:18:11	' '	" "	" "	"MR"	512	512

Input Arguments

directory — Folder containing DICOM files

string scalar | character vector

Name of a folder containing DICOM files, specified as a string scalar or character vector.

Example: `details = dicomCollection(fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox/images/imdata'))`

Data Types: char | string

DICOMDIR — DICOM directory file

character vector | string scalar

DICOM directory file, specified as a string scalar or character vector.

A DICOM directory file (DICOMDIR) is a special DICOM file that serves as a directory to a collection of DICOM files stored on removable media, such as CD/DVD ROMs. When devices write DICOM files to removable media, they typically write a DICOMDIR file on the disk to serve as a list of the disk contents.

```
Example: details = dicomCollection(fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox/  
images/imdata/DICOMDIR'))
```

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

collection — Metadata from DICOM files

table

Metadata from DICOM files, returned as a table. The `dicomCollection` function aggregates the information by DICOM series.

See Also

DICOM Browser | `dicominfo` | `dicomread` | `dicomreadVolume`

Introduced in R2017b

dicomdict

Get or set active DICOM data dictionary

Syntax

```
dictionaryOut = dicomdict('get')  
dicomdict('set',dictionaryIn)  
dicomdict('factory')
```

Description

`dictionaryOut = dicomdict('get')` returns the name of the active Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) data dictionary file.

`dicomdict('set',dictionaryIn)` sets the file specified by input `dictionaryIn` as the active DICOM data dictionary. If the file is not found in the specified path, the function returns an error.

`dicomdict('factory')` restores the active DICOM data dictionary to its default value. The default value is a file in the MATLAB path:

```
fullfile(matlabroot,'toolbox','images','iptformats','dicom-  
dict.txt')
```

Examples

Get and Set Active DICOM Data Dictionary

Find the default active DICOM data dictionary.

```
dictionaryOut = dicomdict('get')  
  
dictionaryOut =  
'B:\matlab\toolbox\images\iptformats\dicom-dict.txt'
```

Specify the path to a new file to set as the active DICOM data dictionary.

```
dictionaryIn = 'dicomdictnew.txt';  
dicomdict('set',dictionaryIn)
```

Check if the active DICOM data dictionary is updated to 'dicomdictnew'.

```
dictionaryOut1 = dicomdict('get')  
  
dictionaryOut1 =  
'C:\TEMP\Bdoc19a_1067994_6688\ib99EA80\25\tp3409b1ca\images-ex49312738\dicomdictnew.txt'
```

Reset the active DICOM data dictionary to the default value and verify the same.

```
dicomdict('factory')  
dictionaryOut2 = dicomdict('get')  
  
dictionaryOut2 =  
'B:\matlab\toolbox\images\iptformats\dicom-dict.txt'
```

Input Arguments

dictionaryIn — DICOM data dictionary file

character vector | string scalar

DICOM data dictionary file of type `.txt` to be set as active, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

dictionaryOut — Active DICOM data dictionary file

`fullfile(matlabroot,'toolbox','images','iptformats','dicom-dict.txt')` (default) | character vector | string scalar

Active DICOM data dictionary file of type `.txt`, returned as a character vector or string scalar. The default value is:

```
fullfile(matlabroot,'toolbox','images','iptformats','dicom-dict.txt')
```


See Also

dicomanon | dicomdisp | dicominfo | dicomlookup | dicomread | dicomuid |
dicomwrite

Introduced before R2006a

dicomdisp

Display DICOM file structure

Syntax

```
dicomdisp(filename)  
dicomdisp( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`dicomdisp(filename)` reads the metadata from the compliant DICOM file specified in the string scalar or character vector `filename` and displays the metadata at the command prompt. `dicomdisp` can be helpful when debugging issues with DICOM files.

`dicomdisp(____,Name,Value)` reads the metadata using name-value pairs to control aspects of the operation.

Examples

Display Metadata from DICOM File

Display the metadata in a DICOM file.

```
dicomdisp('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm')
```

```
File: C:\Temp\matlab\toolbox\images\imdata\CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm (525436 bytes)  
Read on an IEEE little-endian machine.  
File begins with group 0002 metadata at byte 132.  
Transfer syntax: 1.2.840.10008.1.2 (Implicit VR Little Endian).  
DICOM Information object: 1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.7 (Secondary Capture Image Storage).
```

Location	Level	Tag	VR	Size	Name	Data
0000132	0	(0002,0000)	UL	4 bytes	- FileMetaInformationGroupLength	*Binary*
0000144	0	(0002,0001)	OB	2 bytes	- FileMetaInformationVersion	*Binary*
0000158	0	(0002,0002)	UI	26 bytes	- MediaStorageSOPClassUID	[1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.7
0000192	0	(0002,0003)	UI	50 bytes	- MediaStorageSOPInstanceUID	[1.2.840.113619.2.1.2411.1

0000250	0	(0002,0010)	UI	18 bytes - TransferSyntaxUID	[1.2.840.10008.1.2]
0000276	0	(0002,0012)	UI	18 bytes - ImplementationClassUID	[1.2.840.113619.6.5]
0000302	0	(0002,0013)	SH	6 bytes - ImplementationVersionName	[1_2_5]
0000316	0	(0002,0016)	AE	12 bytes - SourceApplicationEntityTitle	[CTN_STORAGE]
0000336	0	(0008,0000)	UL	4 bytes - IdentifyingGroupLength	*Binary*
0000348	0	(0008,0008)	CS	20 bytes - ImageType	[DERIVED\SECONDARY\3D]
0000376	0	(0008,0016)	UI	26 bytes - SOPClassUID	[1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.7]
0000410	0	(0008,0018)	UI	50 bytes - SOPInstanceUID	[1.2.840.113619.2.1.2411.1]
0000468	0	(0008,0020)	DA	10 bytes - StudyDate	[1993.04.30]
0000486	0	(0008,0021)	DA	10 bytes - SeriesDate	[1993.04.30]
0000504	0	(0008,0023)	DA	10 bytes - ContentDate	[1993.04.30]
0000522	0	(0008,0030)	TM	8 bytes - StudyTime	[11:27:24]
0000538	0	(0008,0031)	TM	8 bytes - SeriesTime	[11:27:24]
0000554	0	(0008,0033)	TM	8 bytes - ContentTime	[11:27:24]
0000570	0	(0008,0060)	CS	2 bytes - Modality	[CT]
0000580	0	(0008,0064)	CS	4 bytes - ConversionType	[WSD]
0000592	0	(0008,0070)	LO	18 bytes - Manufacturer	[GE MEDICAL SYSTEMS]
0000618	0	(0008,0080)	LO	18 bytes - InstitutionName	[JFK IMAGING CENTER]
0000644	0	(0008,0090)	PN	10 bytes - ReferringPhysicianName	[Anonymized]
0000662	0	(0008,1010)	SH	8 bytes - StationName	[CT010C0]
0000678	0	(0008,1030)	LO	8 bytes - StudyDescription	[RT ANKLE]
0000694	0	(0008,1060)	PN	10 bytes - PhysicianReadingStudy	[Anonymized]
0000712	0	(0008,1070)	PN	10 bytes - OperatorName	[Anonymized]
0000730	0	(0008,1090)	LO	12 bytes - ManufacturerModelName	[GENESIS_ZEUS]
0000750	0	(0010,0000)	UL	4 bytes - PatientGroupLength	*Binary*
0000762	0	(0010,0010)	PN	10 bytes - PatientName	[Anonymized]
0000780	0	(0018,0000)	UL	4 bytes - AcquisitionGroupLength	*Binary*
0000792	0	(0018,1020)	LO	2 bytes - SoftwareVersion	[03]
0000802	0	(0020,0000)	UL	4 bytes - RelationshipGroupLength	*Binary*
0000814	0	(0020,000D)	UI	48 bytes - StudyInstanceUID	[1.2.840.113619.2.1.1.3229]
0000870	0	(0020,000E)	UI	48 bytes - SeriesInstanceUID	[1.2.840.113619.2.1.2411.1]
0000926	0	(0020,0011)	IS	4 bytes - SeriesNumber	[365]
0000938	0	(0020,0013)	IS	2 bytes - InstanceNumber	[1]
0000948	0	(0028,0000)	UL	4 bytes - ImagePresentationGroupLength	*Binary*
0000960	0	(0028,0002)	US	2 bytes - SamplesPerPixel	*Binary*
0000970	0	(0028,0004)	CS	12 bytes - PhotometricInterpretation	[MONOCHROME2]
0000990	0	(0028,0010)	US	2 bytes - Rows	*Binary*
0001000	0	(0028,0011)	US	2 bytes - Columns	*Binary*
0001010	0	(0028,0100)	US	2 bytes - BitsAllocated	*Binary*
0001020	0	(0028,0101)	US	2 bytes - BitsStored	*Binary*
0001030	0	(0028,0102)	US	2 bytes - HighBit	*Binary*
0001040	0	(0028,0103)	US	2 bytes - PixelRepresentation	*Binary*
0001050	0	(0028,0106)	US	2 bytes - SmallestImagePixelValue	*Binary*
0001060	0	(0028,0120)	US	2 bytes - PixelPaddingValue	*Binary*
0001070	0	(0028,1050)	DS	4 bytes - WindowCenter	[1024]
0001082	0	(0028,1051)	DS	4 bytes - WindowWidth	[4095]
0001094	0	(0028,1052)	DS	6 bytes - RescaleIntercept	[-1024]
0001108	0	(0028,1053)	DS	2 bytes - RescaleSlope	[1]
0001118	0	(0028,1054)	LO	2 bytes - RescaleType	[US]

0001128	0	(7FE0,0000) UL	4 bytes - PixelDataGroupLength	*Binary*
0001140	0	(7FE0,0010) OW	524288 bytes - PixelData	[]

Input Arguments

filename — Name of DICOM file

character vector | string scalar

Name of DICOM file, specified as a string scalar or character vector .

Data Types: char | string

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `dicomdisp('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm', 'UseVRHeuristic', false)`

dictionary — Name of DICOM data dictionary

dicom-dict.txt (default) | string scalar | character vector

Name of DICOM data dictionary, specified as a string scalar or character vector. When specified, `dicomdisp` uses the data dictionary to read the DICOM file. The file must be on the MATLAB search path.

Data Types: char | string

UseVRHeuristic — Read noncompliant DICOM files that switch VR modes incorrectly

true (default) | false

Read noncompliant DICOM files that switch value representation (VR) modes incorrectly, specified as the Boolean value `true` or `false`. When set to `true`, `dicomdisp` uses a heuristic to help read certain noncompliant DICOM files which switch value representation (VR) modes incorrectly. When `dicomdisp` uses this heuristic, it displays a warning. When set to `true` (the default), `dicomdisp` might not read some compliant DICOM files correctly. To read these compliant files, set `UseVRHeuristic` to `false`.

Data Types: logical

See Also

dicomanon | dicomdict | dicominfo | dicomlookup | dicomread | dicomuid |
dicomwrite

Topics

“Explicit Versus Implicit VR Attributes”

Introduced in R2015a

dicominfo

Read metadata from DICOM message

Syntax

```
info = dicominfo(filename)
info = dicominfo(filename,'dictionary',D)
info = dicominfo( ___,Name,Value)
```

Description

`info = dicominfo(filename)` reads the metadata from the compliant Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) file, `filename`.

`info = dicominfo(filename,'dictionary',D)` reads the DICOM message by using the data dictionary file, `D`.

`info = dicominfo(___,Name,Value)` provides additional options to the parser using `Name,Value` pairs. You can specify multiple name-value pairs.

Examples

Read Metadata from DICOM Message

Read metadata from a DICOM message.

```
info = dicominfo('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm')
```

```
info =
```

```
    struct with fields:
```

```
        Filename: 'C:\Temp\matlab\toolbox\images\imdata\CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm'
        FileModDate: '18-Dec-2000 12:06:43'
```

```
        FileSize: 525436
          Format: 'DICOM'
    FormatVersion: 3
      Width: 512
      Height: 512
      BitDepth: 16
      ColorType: 'grayscale'
FileMetaInformationGroupLength: 192
  FileMetaInformationVersion: [2x1 uint8]
    MediaStorageSOPClassUID: '1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.7'
    MediaStorageSOPInstanceUID: '1.2.840.113619.2.1.2411.1031152382.365.1.736169244'
      TransferSyntaxUID: '1.2.840.10008.1.2'
    ImplementationClassUID: '1.2.840.113619.6.5'
    ImplementationVersionName: '1_2_5'
  SourceApplicationEntityTitle: 'CTN_STORAGE'
    IdentifyingGroupLength: 414
      ImageType: 'DERIVED\SECONDARY\3D'
      SOPClassUID: '1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.7'
      SOPInstanceUID: '1.2.840.113619.2.1.2411.1031152382.365.1.736169244'
      StudyDate: '1993.04.30'
      SeriesDate: '1993.04.30'
      ContentDate: '1993.04.30'
      StudyTime: '11:27:24'
      SeriesTime: '11:27:24'
      ContentTime: '11:27:24'
      Modality: 'CT'
      ConversionType: 'WSD'
      Manufacturer: 'GE MEDICAL SYSTEMS'
      InstitutionName: 'JFK IMAGING CENTER'
    ReferringPhysicianName: [1x1 struct]
      StationName: 'CT010C0'
      StudyDescription: 'RT ANKLE'
      PhysicianReadingStudy: [1x1 struct]
      OperatorName: [1x1 struct]
      ManufacturerModelName: 'GENESIS_ZEUS'
      PatientGroupLength: 18
      PatientName: [1x1 struct]
    AcquisitionGroupLength: 10
      SoftwareVersion: '03'
    RelationshipGroupLength: 134
      StudyInstanceUID: '1.2.840.113619.2.1.1.322987881.621.736170080.681'
      SeriesInstanceUID: '1.2.840.113619.2.1.2411.1031152382.365.736169244'
      SeriesNumber: 365
      InstanceNumber: 1
```

```
ImagePresentationGroupLength: 168
    SamplesPerPixel: 1
    PhotometricInterpretation: 'MONOCHROME2'
        Rows: 512
        Columns: 512
    BitsAllocated: 16
    BitsStored: 16
    HighBit: 15
    PixelRepresentation: 1
    SmallestImagePixelValue: 0
    PixelPaddingValue: 0
        WindowCenter: 1024
        WindowWidth: 4095
    RescaleIntercept: -1024
    RescaleSlope: 1
    RescaleType: 'US'
    PixelDataGroupLength: 524296
```

Input Arguments

filename — Name of DICOM file

character vector | string scalar

Name of DICOM file, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: char | string

D — Data dictionary file

'dicom-dict.mat' | character vector | string scalar

Data dictionary file, specified as a character vector or string scalar. The file in **D** must be on the MATLAB search path. The default file is `dicom-dict.mat`.

Data Types: char | string

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of **Name**, **Value** arguments. **Name** is the argument name and **Value** is the corresponding value. **Name** must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `dicominfo('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm', 'UseVRHeuristic', false)`

UseVRHeuristic — Read noncompliant DICOM files that switch VR modes incorrectly

`true` (default) | `false`

Read noncompliant DICOM files that switch value representation (VR) modes incorrectly, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UseVRHeuristic' and `true` or `false`.

When set to `true` (the default), `dicomread` uses a heuristic to help read certain noncompliant DICOM files that switch VR modes incorrectly. `dicomread` displays a warning if the heuristic is used. A small number of compliant files will not be read correctly. Set `UseVRHeuristic` to `false` to read these compliant files.

Data Types: `logical`

UseDictionaryVR — Conform data types to data dictionary

`false` (default) | `true`

Conform data types in `info` to the data dictionary, regardless of what information is present in the file. The default value is `false`, which uses the file's VR codes even if they differ from the data dictionary. Most of the time it is unnecessary to set this field, since file contents and the data dictionary almost always agree. When `UseDictionaryVR` is `false` (the default), `dicominfo` issues a warning when they do not agree. Specify `UseDictionaryVR` as `true` when the warning is issued and providing `info` to `dicomwrite` causes errors.

Data Types: `logical`

Output Arguments

info — DICOM metadata

`struct`

DICOM metadata, returned as a `struct`.

See Also

`dicomanon` | `dicomdict` | `dicomdisp` | `dicomlookup` | `dicomread` | `dicomuid` | `dicomwrite`

Introduced before R2006a

dicomlookup

Find attribute in DICOM data dictionary

Syntax

```
nameOut = dicomlookup(group,element)
[groupOut,elementOut] = dicomlookup(name)
```

Description

`nameOut = dicomlookup(group,element)` looks into the current DICOM data dictionary for the attribute with the specified `group` and `element` tags. `dicomlookup` returns the name of the attribute.

`[groupOut,elementOut] = dicomlookup(name)` looks into the current DICOM data dictionary for the attribute specified by name and returns the `group` and `element` tags associated with the attribute.

Examples

Find Names of DICOM attributes Using Their Tags

Find the names of DICOM attributes using their tags.

```
name1 = dicomlookup('7FE0', '0010')
```

```
name1 =  
'PixelData'
```

```
name2 = dicomlookup(40, 4)
```

```
name2 =  
'PhotometricInterpretation'
```

Look up a DICOM attribute's tag (GROUP and ELEMENT) using its name.

```
[group, element] = dicomlookup('TransferSyntaxUID')  
group = 2  
element = 16
```

Examine the metadata of a DICOM file. This returns the same value even if the data dictionary changes.

```
metadata = dicominfo('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm');  
metadata.(dicomlookup('0028', '0004'))  
  
ans =  
'MONOCHROME2'
```

Input Arguments

group — DICOM group tag

positive integer decimal | character vector | string scalar

DICOM group tag, specified as a positive integer decimal number or a character vector or string scalar that contains a hexadecimal value.

Example: 40

Example: '7FE0' or "7FE0"

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

element — DICOM element tag

positive integer decimal | character vector | string scalar

DICOM group tag, specified as a positive integer decimal number or a character vector or string scalar that contains a hexadecimal value. `element` and `group` must represent the same type of value:

- If `group` is a positive integer, then `element` is also a positive integer.

If `group` is a character vector or string scalar that contains a hexadecimal value, then `element` is either a character vector or a string scalar that contains a hexadecimal value.

Example: 4

Example: '0010' or "0010"

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

name — DICOM attribute name

character vector | string scalar

DICOM attribute name, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Example: 'PhotometricInterpretation' or "PhotometricInterpretation"

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

groupOut — Returned DICOM group tag

positive integer decimal

Returned DICOM group tag, returned as a positive integer decimal number.

Data Types: double

elementOut — Returned DICOM element tag

positive integer decimal

Returned DICOM group tag, returned as a positive integer decimal number.

Data Types: double

nameOut — Returned DICOM attribute name

character vector

Returned DICOM attribute name, returned as a character vector.

Data Types: char

See Also

dicomanon | dicomdict | dicomdisp | dicominfo | dicomread | dicomuid | dicomwrite

Introduced in R2006b

dicomread

Read DICOM image

Syntax

```
X = dicomread(filename)
X = dicomread(info)
X = dicomread( ____, 'frames', f)
X = dicomread( ____, Name, Value)

[X, cmap] = dicomread( ____ )
[X, cmap, alpha] = dicomread( ____ )
[X, cmap, alpha, overlays] = dicomread( ____ )
```

Description

`X = dicomread(filename)` reads the image data from the compliant Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) file `filename`. To read a group of DICOM files that contain a series of images that comprise a volume, use `dicomreadVolume`.

`X = dicomread(info)` reads DICOM image data from the message referenced in the DICOM metadata structure `info`.

`X = dicomread(____, 'frames', f)` reads only the frames specified by `f` from the image.

`X = dicomread(____, Name, Value)` reads DICOM image data using `Name, Value` pairs to configure the parser.

`[X, cmap] = dicomread(____)` also returns the colormap, `cmap`.

`[X, cmap, alpha] = dicomread(____)` also returns `alpha`, an alpha channel matrix for `X`.

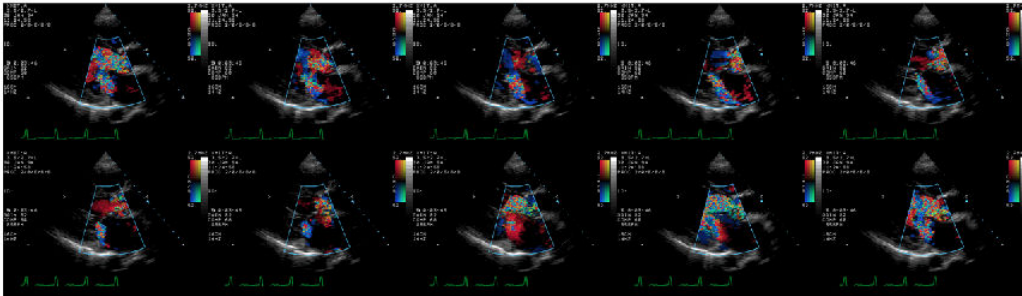
`[X, cmap, alpha, overlays] = dicomread(____)` also returns any overlays from the DICOM file.

Examples

Read DICOM Files

Read indexed image from DICOM file and display it using montage.

```
[X, map] = dicomread('US-PAL-8-10x-echo.dcm');  
montage(X, map, 'Size', [2 5]);
```



Read image from DICOM file and display it using imshow.

```
info = dicominfo('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm');  
Y = dicomread(info);  
figure  
imshow(Y, []);
```




Input Arguments

filename — Name of DICOM file

character vector | string scalar

Name of DICOM file, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

info — DICOM metadata

struct

DICOM metadata, specified as a structure. The `info` structure is produced by the `dicominfo` function.

f — Frames to read

'all' (default) | integer | vector of integers

Frames to read, specified as an integer scalar, a vector of integers, or 'all'. When `f` is numeric, `dicomread` reads only the specified frame numbers from the image. By default, `dicomread` reads all frames of the DICOM image.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `dicomread('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm', 'UseVRHeuristic', false)`

UseVRHeuristic — Read noncompliant DICOM files that switch VR modes incorrectly

true (default) | false

Read noncompliant DICOM files that switch value representation (VR) modes incorrectly, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UseVRHeuristic' and `true` or `false`.

When set to `true` (the default), `dicomread` uses a heuristic to help read certain noncompliant DICOM files that switch VR modes incorrectly. `dicomread` displays a

warning if the heuristic is used. A small number of compliant files will not be read correctly. Set `UseVRHeuristic` to `false` to read these compliant files.

Data Types: `logical`

Output Arguments

X — DICOM image

m-by-*n* matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array | 4-D array

DICOM image, returned as one of the following.

- An *m*-by-*n* matrix representing a single-frame grayscale image or an indexed image
- An *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array representing a single-frame truecolor (RGB) image
- A 4-D array representing a multiframe image.

Data Types: `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

cmap — Color map

c-by-3 matrix | `[]`

Color map associated with image *X*.

- If *X* is an indexed image, then `cmap` is returned as *c*-by-3 matrix. There are *c* colors in the color map, each represented by a red, green, and blue pixel value.
- If *X* is a grayscale or true-color image, then `cmap` is empty (`[]`).

Data Types: `double`

alpha — Alpha channel matrix

m-by-*n* matrix of nonnegative integers | 4-D array of nonnegative integers

Alpha channel matrix for image *X*, returned as an array of nonnegative integers. The values of `alpha` are 0 if the pixel is opaque; otherwise they are row indices into `cmap`. The RGB value in `cmap` should be substituted for the value in *X* to use `alpha`. `alpha` has the same height and width as *X* and is 4-D for a multiframe image. `alpha` has the same data type as *X*.

Data Types: `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

overlays — Overlays

binary *m*-byn matrix | binary 4-D array | []

Overlays from the DICOM file. Each overlay is a 1-bit black and white image with the same height and width as X. If multiple overlays are present in the file, then `overlays` is a 4-D multiframe image. If no overlays are in the file, then `overlays` is empty ([]).

Data Types: `logical`

Tips

- This function reads imagery from files with one of these pixel formats:
 - Little-endian, implicit VR, uncompressed
 - Little-endian, explicit VR, uncompressed
 - Big-endian, explicit VR, uncompressed
 - JPEG (lossy or lossless)
 - JPEG2000 (lossy or lossless)
 - Run-length Encoding (RLE)
 - GE implicit VR, LE with uncompressed BE pixels (1.2.840.113619.5.2)

See Also

`dicomanon` | `dicomdict` | `dicomdisp` | `dicominfo` | `dicomlookup` | `dicomreadVolume` | `dicomuid` | `dicomwrite`

Introduced before R2006a

dicomreadVolume

Construct volume from directory of DICOM images

Syntax

```
[V,spatial,dim] = dicomreadVolume(source)
[V,spatial,dim] = dicomreadVolume(sourcetable)
[V,spatial,dim] = dicomreadVolume(sourcetable, rowname)
```

Description

`[V,spatial,dim] = dicomreadVolume(source)` loads the 4-D DICOM volume `V` from `source`, which can be one of the following:

- Name of a folder containing DICOM files
- String array of filenames comprising the volume
- Cell array of character vectors containing filenames

`spatial` is a structure describing the location, resolution, and orientation of slices in the volume. `dim` specifies which real-world dimension (`X = 1`, `Y = 2`, `Z = 3`) has the largest amount of offset from the previous slice.

`dicomreadVolume` is useful when working with DICOM volumes because it reads the volumetric image data from each DICOM files, identifies the correct ordering of the images, and constructs 4-D volume from the data.

`[V,spatial,dim] = dicomreadVolume(sourcetable)` loads the volume from the `sourcetable`, which is a table returned by `dicomCollection`. The `sourcetable` argument must contain only one row.

`[V,spatial,dim] = dicomreadVolume(sourcetable, rowname)` loads the volume with the specified `rowname` from the multirow table `sourcetable` returned by `dicomCollection`. Use this syntax when `sourcetable` contains multiple rows.

Examples

Read Volume Data from DICOM Files

Read volume data from a sample folder of DICOM files.

```
[V,s,d] = dicomreadVolume(fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox/images/imdata/dog'));
```

Input Arguments

source — Volume data folder or files

string | character vector | string array | cell array of character vectors

Volume data folder or files, specified as a string scalar, string array, character vector, or cell array of character vectors.

Data Types: char | string | cell

sourcetable — Collection of DICOM file metadata

table

Collection of DICOM file metadata, specified as a table returned by `dicomCollection`.

Data Types: table

rowname — Name of table row to load

string | character vector

Name of table row to load, specified as a string scalar or character vector. The row is one of the rows in the multirow table returned by `dicomCollection`.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

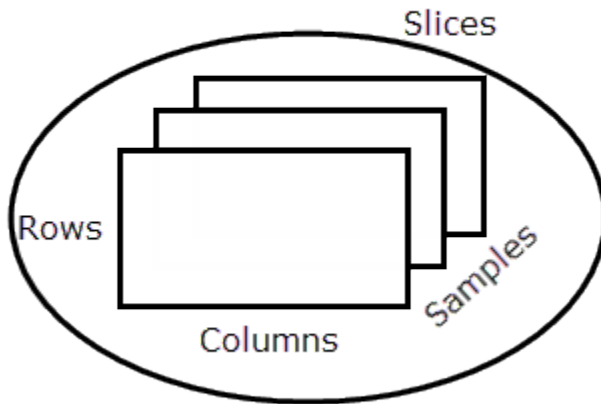
V — 4-D DICOM volume

numeric array

4-D DICOM volume, returned as a numeric array.

The dimensions of V are [rows, columns, samples, slices] where samples is the number of color channels per voxel. For example, grayscale volumes have one sample, and RGB volumes have three samples. Use the squeeze function to remove any singleton dimensions, such as when samples is 1.

DICOM 4-D Volume



spatial – Location, resolution, and orientation

structure

Location, resolution, and orientation of slices in the volume, specified as a structure with the following fields. For more information, see part 3 of the DICOM standard, section C.7.6.2.

Spatial Structure

Fields	Description
PatientPositions	(x,y,z) triplet of the first pixel in each slice, measured in millimeters from the origin of the scanner's coordinate system
PixelSpacings	Distance between neighboring rows and columns within each slice, in millimeters
PatientOrientations	Pair of direction cosine triplets of the rows and columns for each slice of the image

dim — Dimension with largest offset from the previous slice

1 | 2 | 3

Dimension with largest offset from the previous slice, returned as a numeric scalar 1, 2, or 3, where X = 1, Y = 2, and Z = 3.

See Also

DICOM Browser | `dicomCollection` | `dicominfo` | `dicomread`

Introduced in R2017b

dicomuid

Generate DICOM globally unique identifier

Syntax

```
uid = dicomuid
```

Description

`uid = dicomuid` returns a new DICOM globally unique identifier `uid`. The function generates a new value each time it is called. Therefore, two calls to `dicomuid` always return different values.

Examples

Generate DICOM Globally Unique Identifier

```
uid = dicomuid;
```

```
uid =
```

```
    '1.3.6.1.4.1.9590.100.1.2.175741451111074450825785263691655840705'
```

Output Arguments

uid — DICOM globally unique identifier

character vector

DICOM globally unique identifier, returned as a character vector.

Data Types: char

See Also

`dicomanon` | `dicomdict` | `dicomdisp` | `dicominfo` | `dicomlookup` | `dicomread` | `dicomwrite`

Introduced before R2006a

dicomwrite

Write images as DICOM files

Syntax

```
dicomwrite(X,filename)
dicomwrite(X,cmap,filename)
dicomwrite( ____,meta_struct)
dicomwrite( ____,info)
dicomwrite( ____, 'ObjectType',IOD)
dicomwrite( ____, 'SOPClassUID',UID)
dicomwrite( ____,Name,Value)
status = dicomwrite( ____ )
```

Description

`dicomwrite(X,filename)` writes the binary, grayscale, or truecolor image `X` to the file `filename`, where `filename` specifies the name of the Digital Imaging and Communications in Medicine (DICOM) file to create.

`dicomwrite(X,cmap,filename)` writes the indexed image `X` with colormap `cmap`.

`dicomwrite(____,meta_struct)` specifies optional metadata or file options in structure `meta_struct`. The names of fields in `meta_struct` must be the names of DICOM file attributes or options. The value of a field is the value you want to assign to the attribute or option.

`dicomwrite(____,info)` specifies metadata in the metadata structure `info`, which is produced by the `dicominfo` function.

`dicomwrite(____, 'ObjectType',IOD)` writes a file containing the necessary metadata for a particular type of DICOM Information Object (IOD). For the supported IODs, `dicomwrite` verifies that all required metadata attributes are present, creates missing attributes if necessary, and specifies default values where possible. Using these supported IODs is the best way to ensure that the files you create conform to the DICOM specification. For more information, see [Tips on page 1-539](#).

`dicomwrite(____, 'SOPClassUID', UID)` writes a file containing the necessary metadata for a particular type IOD, specified using a DICOM Unique Identifier (UID).

`dicomwrite(____, Name, Value)` writes to a DICOM file using `Name`, `Value` pairs to affect how the file is written. You can specify multiple name-value pairs.

You can also use `Name`, `Value` pairs to specify optional metadata to write to the DICOM file. To find a list of the DICOM attributes that you can specify, see the data dictionary file, `dicom-dict.txt`, included with the Image Processing Toolbox software. Enclose each attribute name in quotes.

`status = dicomwrite(____)` returns information about the metadata and the descriptions used to generate the DICOM file. This syntax can be useful when you specify an `info` structure to the `dicomwrite` function.

Examples

Write Data to DICOM File

Read a CT image from the sample DICOM file included with the toolbox.

```
X = dicomread('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm');
```

Write the CT image to a file, creating a secondary capture image.

```
dicomwrite(X, 'sc_file.dcm');
```

Write the CT image, `X`, to a DICOM file along with its metadata. Use the `dicominfo` function to retrieve metadata from a DICOM file.

```
metadata = dicominfo('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm');  
dicomwrite(X, 'ct_file.dcm', metadata);
```

Copy all metadata from one file to another. When you set the `'CreateMode'` parameter to `'copy'`, `dicomwrite` does not verify the metadata written to the file.

```
dicomwrite(X, 'ct_copy.dcm', metadata, 'CreateMode', 'copy');
```

Input Arguments

X — DICOM image

m-by-*n* matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array | 4-D array

DICOM image, specified as one of the following.

- An *m*-by-*n* matrix representing a single-frame grayscale image or an indexed image
- An *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array representing a single-frame truecolor (RGB) image
- A 4-D array representing a multiframe image.

Data Types: `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

cmap — Color map

c-by-3 matrix | []

Color map associated with indexed image *X*, specified as *c*-by-3 matrix. There are *c* colors in the color map, each represented by a red, green, and blue pixel value.

Data Types: `double`

filename — Name of DICOM file

character vector | string scalar

Name of DICOM file to write to, specified as a specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

meta_struct — Optional metadata or file options

struct

Optional metadata or file options, specified as a struct. The names of fields in `meta_struct` must be the names of DICOM file attributes or options. The value of a field is the value you want to assign to the attribute or option.

info — Metadata produced by `dicominfo` function

struct

Metadata produced by `dicominfo` function, specified as a structure.

IOD — DICOM Information Object

'Secondary Capture Image Storage' (default) | 'CT Image Storage' | 'MR Image Storage'

DICOM Information Object, specified as 'Secondary Capture Image Storage', 'CT Image Storage', or 'MR Image Storage'.

Data Types: char | string

UID — DICOM Unique Identifier

character vector | string scalar

DICOM Unique Identifier corresponding to an IOD, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: char | string

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: 'CompressionMode', 'JPEG lossless'

CompressionMode — Compression mode

'None' (default) | 'JPEG lossless' | 'JPEG lossy' | ...

Compression mode to use when storing the image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'CompressionMode' and one of the following.

- 'None'
- 'JPEG lossless'
- 'JPEG lossy'
- 'JPEG2000 lossy'
- 'JPEG2000 lossless'
- 'RLE'

CreateMode — Method used for creating data

'Create' (default) | 'Copy'

Method used for creating data to put in the new file, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'CreateMode' and one of the following.

- 'Create' — Verify input values and generate missing data values.
- 'Copy' — Copy all values from the input and do not generate missing values.

For help selecting a creation method, see Tips on page 1-539.

Dictionary — Name of DICOM data dictionary

character vector | string scalar

Name of DICOM data dictionary, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Dictionary' and a character vector or string scalar. The default file is `dicom-dict.mat`.

Endian — Byte ordering

'Little' (default) | 'Big'

Byte ordering of the file, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Endian' and 'Little' or 'Big'.

Note If VR is set to 'Explicit', then Endian must be 'Big'. `dicomwrite` ignores this value if `CompressionMode` or `TransferSyntax` is set.

MultiframeSingleFile — Write multiframe image to one file

true (default) | false

Write multiframe image to one file, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'MultiframeSingleFile' and true or false. When true, one file is created regardless of how many frames X contains. When false, one file is written for each frame in the image.

Data Types: logical

TransferSyntax — Transfer syntax

character vector | string scalar

Transfer syntax, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'TransferSyntax' and a character vector or string scalar. `TransferSyntax` is a UID that encodes values for the Endian, VR, and `CompressionMode` options.

Note If you specify a transfer syntax, then `dicomwrite` ignores any values specified for the `Endian`, `VR`, and `CompressionMode` options.

UseMetadataBitDepths — Preserve metadata values

false (default) | true

Preserve the metadata values 'BitStored', 'BitsAllocated', and 'HighBit', specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UseMetadataBitDepths' and false or true. When true, `dicomwrite` preserves existing values. When false (default), `dicomwrite` computes these values based on the datatype of the pixel data. When `CreateMode` is 'Create', `dicomwrite` ignores this field.

Data Types: logical

VR — Write two-letter value representation (VR) code to file

'implicit' (default) | 'explicit'

Write two-letter value representation (VR) code to file, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'VR' and one of the following.

- 'implicit' — Infer from data dictionary.
- 'explicit' — Write VR to file.

Note If you specify the `Endian` value as 'Big', then you must specify `VR` as 'explicit'.

WritePrivate — Write private data to file

false (default) | true

Write private data to file, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'WritePrivate' and false or true.

Data Types: logical

Output Arguments

status — Status of attributes

struct | []

Status of attributes, returned as a structure. `status` contains information about the metadata and the descriptions used to generate the DICOM file. If no metadata was specified, `dicomwrite` returns an empty matrix (`[]`).

The `status` structure contains these fields.

Field	Description
'BadAttribute'	The attribute's internal description is bad. It might be missing from the data dictionary or have incorrect data in its description.
'MissingCondition'	The attribute is conditional but no condition has been provided for when to use it.
'MissingData'	No data was provided for an attribute that must appear in the file.
'SuspectAttribute'	Data in the attribute does not match a list of enumerated values in the DICOM specification.

Tips

- The DICOM format specification lists several Information Object Definitions (IODs) that can be created. These IODs correspond to images and metadata produced by different real-world modalities (for example, MR, X-ray, Ultrasound, etc.). For each type of IOD, the DICOM specification defines the set of metadata that must be present and possible values for other metadata.
 - `dicomwrite` fully implements a limited number of IODs. For these IODs, `dicomwrite` verifies that all required metadata attributes are present, creates missing attributes if necessary, and specifies default values where possible. Using these supported IODs is the best way to ensure that the files you create conform to the DICOM specification. This is `dicomwrite` default behavior and corresponds to the `CreateMode` option value of 'Create'.
 - To write DICOM files for IODs that `dicomwrite` doesn't implement, use the 'Copy' value for the `CreateMode` option. In this mode, `dicomwrite` writes the image data to a file including the metadata that you specify as a parameter, shown above in the `info` syntax. The purpose of this option is to take metadata from an existing file of the same modality or IOD and use it to create a new DICOM file with different image pixel data.

Note Because `dicomwrite` copies metadata to the file without verification in 'Copy' mode, it is possible to create a DICOM file that does not conform to the DICOM standard. For example, the file may be missing required metadata, contain superfluous metadata, or the metadata may no longer correspond to the modality settings used to generate the original image. When using 'Copy' mode, make sure that the metadata you use is from the same modality and IOD. If the copy you make is unrelated to the original image, use `dicomuid` to create new unique identifiers for series and study metadata. See the IOD descriptions in Part 3 of the DICOM specification for more information on appropriate IOD values.

See Also

`dicomanon` | `dicomdict` | `dicomdisp` | `dicominfo` | `dicomlookup` | `dicomread` | `dicomuid`

Introduced before R2006a

displayChart

Display Imatest® eSFR chart with overlaid regions of interest

Syntax

```
displayChart(chart)
displayChart(chart,Name,Value)
```

Description

`displayChart(chart)` displays an Imatest® eSFR chart with overlaid rectangles indicating the slanted edge, gray patch, and color patch ROIs.

`displayChart(chart,Name,Value)` displays an eSFR chart with additional parameters controlling aspects of the chart display.

Examples

Display Color Patch ROIs on an eSFR Chart

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

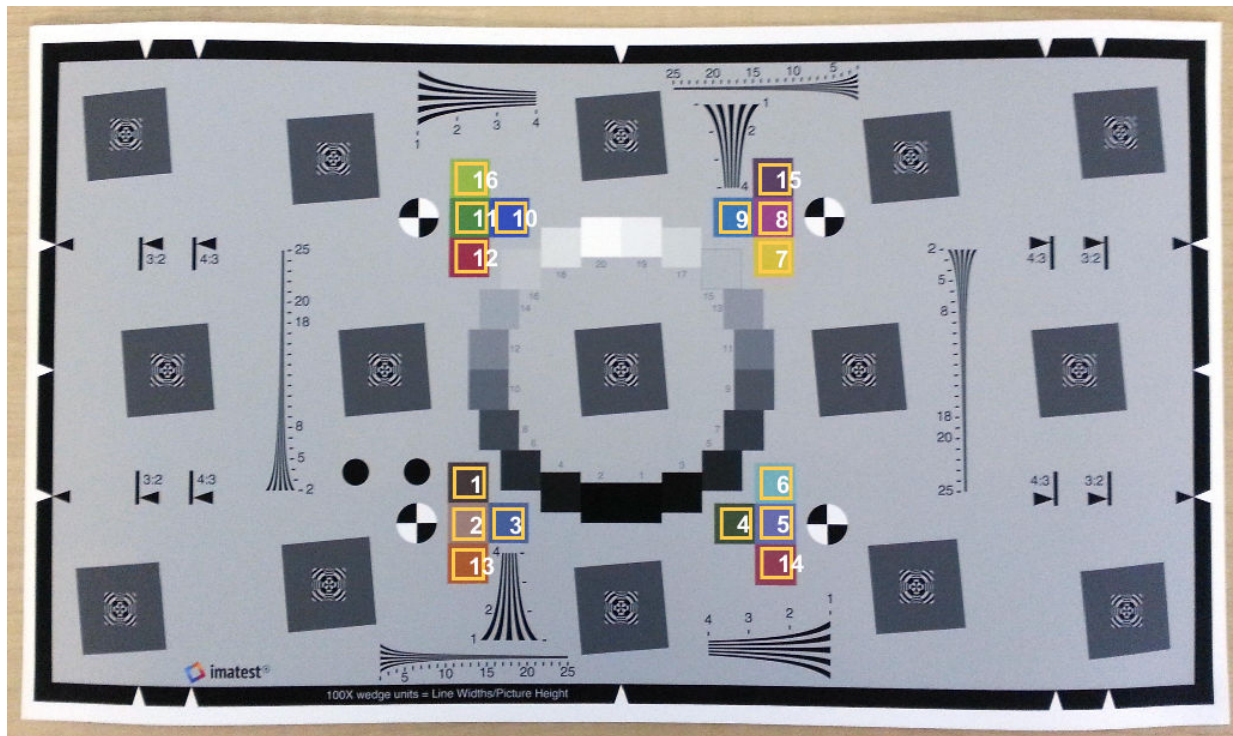
```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an `esfrChart` object that stores information about the test chart.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);
```

Display only the color patch ROIs. To accomplish this, turn off the display of slanted edge ROIs, gray patch ROIs, and registration points.

```
displayChart(chart,'displayEdgeROIs',false,'displayGrayROIs',false,'displayRegistrationROIs',false);
```



Input Arguments

chart — eSFR chart

esfrChart object

eSFR chart, specified as an esfrChart object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `displayChart(myChart, 'displayEdgeROIs', false)` turns off the overlay of slanted edge ROIs.

displayEdgeROIs — Display slanted edge ROIs

`true (default) | false`

Display slanted edge ROIs, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'displayEdgeROIs' and true or false. When `displayEdgeROIs` is true, the 60 slanted-edge bounding boxes are overlaid on the image in pale yellow.

Data Types: `logical`

displayGrayROIs — Display gray patch ROIs

`true (default) | false`

Display gray patch ROIs, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'displayGrayROIs' and true or false. When `displayGrayROIs` is true, the 20 gray patch bounding boxes are overlaid on the image in blue.

Data Types: `logical`

displayColorROIs — Display color patch ROIs

`true (default) | false`

Display color patch ROIs, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'displayColorROIs' and true or false. When `displayColorROIs` is true, the 16 color patch bounding boxes are overlaid on the image in dark yellow.

Data Types: `logical`

displayRegistrationPoints — Display registration points

`true (default) | false`

Display registration points, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'displayRegistrationPoints' and true or false. When `displayRegistrationPoints` is true, the four registration points are indicated with a red diamond overlay.

Data Types: `logical`

Parent — Axes handle of displayed image object

`axes handle`

Axes handle of the displayed image object, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an axes handle. Parent specifies the parent of the image object created by `displayChart`.

See Also

Functions

`measureChromaticAberration` | `measureColor` | `measureIlluminant` |
`measureNoise` | `measureSharpness`

Objects

`esfrChart`

Introduced in R2017b

displayColorPatch

Display visual color reproduction as color patches

Syntax

```
displayColorPatch(colorTable)
displayColorPatch(colorTable,Name,Value)
```

Description

`displayColorPatch(colorTable)` displays measured and reference colors, `colorTable`, for color patch regions of interest (ROIs) in a test chart. The measured color values are displayed as squares surrounded by a thick boundary of the corresponding reference color.

`displayColorPatch(colorTable,Name,Value)` displays measured color values with additional parameters to control aspects of the display.

Examples

Display Color Patch Diagram from Color Accuracy Measurements

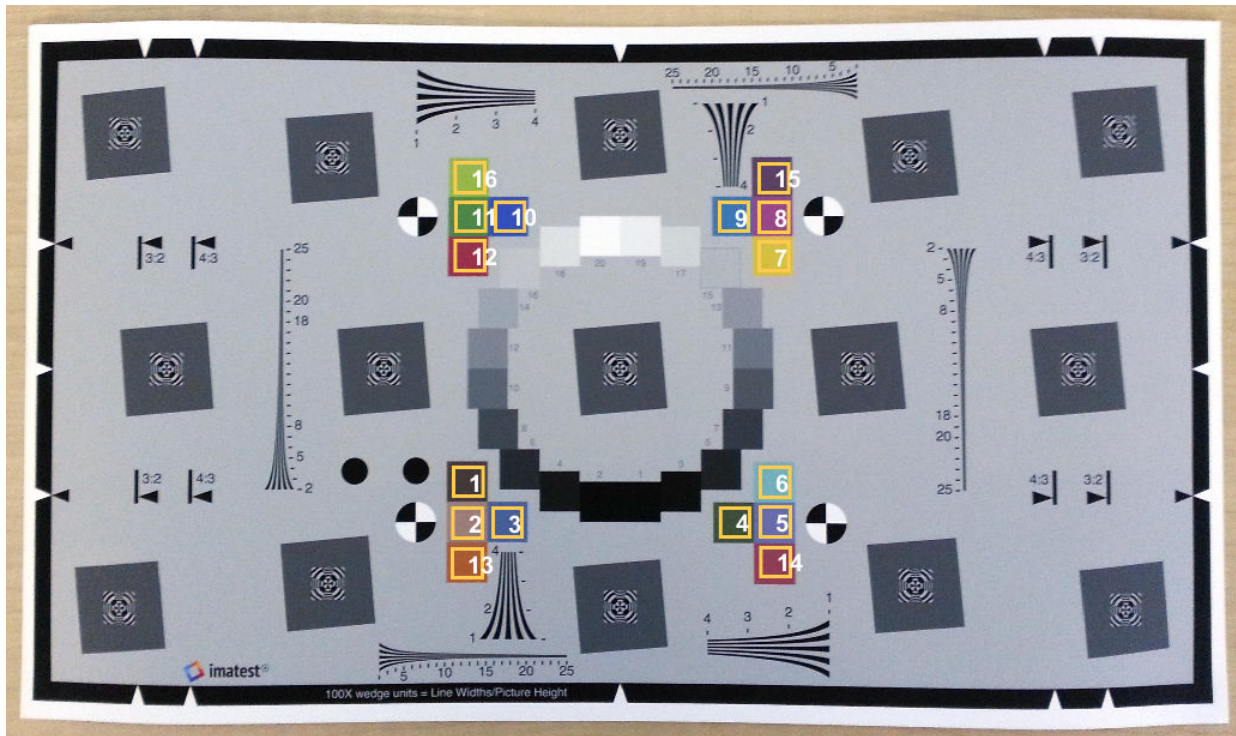
This example shows how to display the color patch diagram from measurements of color accuracy on an Imatest® eSFR chart.

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an `esfrChart` object. Display the chart, highlighting the 16 color patches.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);
displayChart(chart,'displayEdgeROIs',false, ...
    'displayGrayROIs',false,'displayRegistrationPoints',false)
```

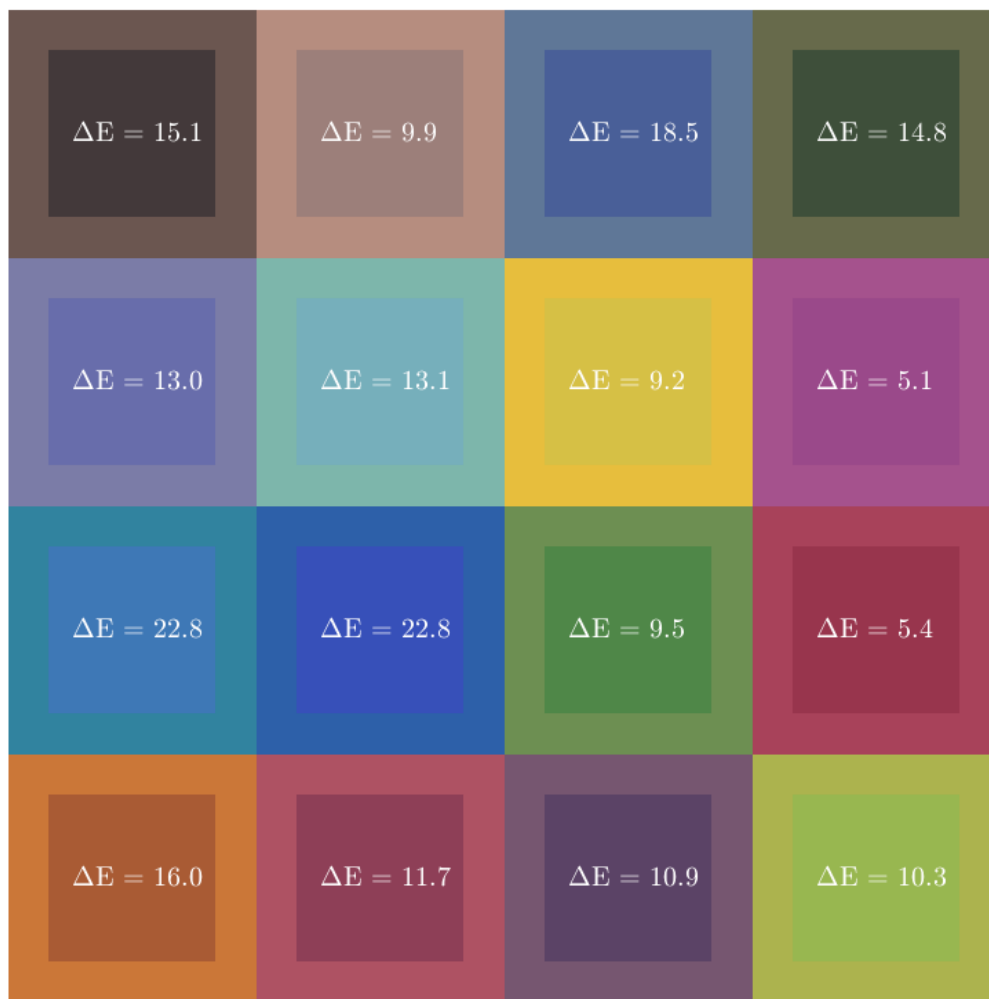


Measure the color in all color patch ROIs.

```
colorTable = measureColor(chart);
```

Display the color accuracy measurements without the ROI index overlay. Each square color patch is the measured color, and the thick surrounding border is the reference color for that ROI. The color accuracy measurement is displayed as ΔE , the Euclidean distance between measured and reference colors in CIE 1976 $L^*a^*b^*$ color space. More accurate colors have a smaller ΔE .

```
displayColorPatch(colorTable, 'displayROIIndex', false)
```

Input Arguments

colorTable — Color values

color table

Color values in each color patch, specified as an m -by-8 color table, where m is the number of patches. The eight columns represent these variables:

Variable	Description
ROI	Index of the sampled ROI. The value of ROI is an integer in the range [1, 16]. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by <code>displayChart</code> .
Measured_R	Mean value of red channel pixels in an ROI. <code>Measured_R</code> is a scalar of the same data type as <code>chart.Image</code> , which can be of type <code>single</code> , <code>double</code> , <code>uint8</code> , or <code>uint16</code> .
Measured_G	Mean value of green channel pixels in an ROI. <code>Measured_G</code> is a scalar of the same data type as <code>chart.Image</code> .
Measured_B	Mean value of blue channel pixels in an ROI. <code>Measured_B</code> is a scalar of the same data type as <code>chart.Image</code> .
Reference_L	Reference L* value corresponding to the ROI. <code>Reference_L</code> is a scalar of type <code>double</code> .
Reference_a	Reference a* value corresponding to the ROI. <code>Reference_a</code> is a scalar of type <code>double</code> .
Reference_b	Reference b* value corresponding to the ROI. <code>Reference_b</code> is a scalar of type <code>double</code> .
Delta_E	Euclidean color distance between the measured and reference color values, as outlined in CIE 1976.

To obtain a color table, use the `measureColor` function.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `displayColorPatch(myColorTable, 'displayROIIndex', false)` turns off the display of the ROI indices.

displayROIIndex — Display ROI index labels

`true (default) | false`

Display ROI index labels, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'displayROIIndex' and true or false. When `displayROIIndex` is true, then `displayColorPatch` overlays color patch ROI index labels on the displayed color patches. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by `displayChart`.

Data Types: `logical`

displayDeltaE — Display Delta_E values

`true (default) | false`

Display `Delta_E` values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'displayDeltaE' and true or false. When `displayDeltaE` is true, `displayColorPatch` overlays the values of `Delta_E` on the displayed color patches.

Data Types: `logical`

Parent — Axes handle of displayed image object

`axes handle`

Axes handle of the displayed image object, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an axes handle. Parent specifies the parent of the image object created by `displayColorPatch`.

See Also

Functions

`displayChart` | `measureColor` | `plotChromaticity`

Objects

`esfrChart`

Introduced in R2017b

dnCNNLayers

Get denoising convolutional neural network layers

Syntax

```
layers = dnCNNLayers
layers = dnCNNLayers(Name,Value)
```

Description

`layers = dnCNNLayers` returns layers of the denoising convolutional neural network (DnCNN) for grayscale images.

This function requires that you have Deep Learning Toolbox.

`layers = dnCNNLayers(Name,Value)` returns layers of the denoising convolutional neural network with additional name-value parameters specifying network architecture.

Examples

Get Layers of Image Denoising Network

Get layers of the image denoising convolutional neural network, 'DnCNN'. Request the default number of layers, which returns 20 convolution layers.

```
layers = dnCNNLayers
```

```
layers =
    1x59 Layer array with layers:
```

1	'InputLayer'	Image Input	50x50x1 images
2	'Conv1'	Convolution	64 3x3x1 convolutions with str
3	'ReLU1'	ReLU	ReLU
4	'Conv2'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
5	'BNorm2'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 ch

6	'ReLU2'	ReLU	ReLU
7	'Conv3'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
8	'BNorm3'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
9	'ReLU3'	ReLU	ReLU
10	'Conv4'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
11	'BNorm4'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
12	'ReLU4'	ReLU	ReLU
13	'Conv5'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
14	'BNorm5'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
15	'ReLU5'	ReLU	ReLU
16	'Conv6'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
17	'BNorm6'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
18	'ReLU6'	ReLU	ReLU
19	'Conv7'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
20	'BNorm7'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
21	'ReLU7'	ReLU	ReLU
22	'Conv8'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
23	'BNorm8'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
24	'ReLU8'	ReLU	ReLU
25	'Conv9'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
26	'BNorm9'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
27	'ReLU9'	ReLU	ReLU
28	'Conv10'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
29	'BNorm10'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
30	'ReLU10'	ReLU	ReLU
31	'Conv11'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
32	'BNorm11'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
33	'ReLU11'	ReLU	ReLU
34	'Conv12'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
35	'BNorm12'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
36	'ReLU12'	ReLU	ReLU
37	'Conv13'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
38	'BNorm13'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
39	'ReLU13'	ReLU	ReLU
40	'Conv14'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
41	'BNorm14'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
42	'ReLU14'	ReLU	ReLU
43	'Conv15'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
44	'BNorm15'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
45	'ReLU15'	ReLU	ReLU
46	'Conv16'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str
47	'BNorm16'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 cha
48	'ReLU16'	ReLU	ReLU
49	'Conv17'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with str

50	'BNorm17'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 channels
51	'ReLU17'	ReLU	ReLU
52	'Conv18'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with stride 1
53	'BNorm18'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 channels
54	'ReLU18'	ReLU	ReLU
55	'Conv19'	Convolution	64 3x3x64 convolutions with stride 1
56	'BNorm19'	Batch Normalization	Batch normalization with 64 channels
57	'ReLU19'	ReLU	ReLU
58	'Conv20'	Convolution	1 3x3x64 convolutions with stride 1
59	'FinalRegressionLayer'	Regression Output	mean-squared-error

You can train a custom image denoising network by providing these layers and a `denoisingImageDatastore` to `trainNetwork`.

Input Arguments

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `'NetworkDepth', 15`

NetworkDepth — Number of convolution layers

20 (default) | positive integer

Number of convolution layers, specified as a positive integer with value greater than or equal to 3.

Example: 15

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

Layers — Network layers

vector of `Layer` objects

Denoising convolutional neural network layers, returned as a vector of `Layer` objects.

Tips

- The DnCNN network can detect noise and other high-frequency image artifacts. For example, you can train the DnCNN network to increase image resolution or remove JPEG compression artifacts. The example “JPEG Image Deblocking Using Deep Learning” shows how to train a DnCNN to reduce JPEG compression artifacts in an image.

References

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See Also

`denoiseImage` | `denoisingImageDatastore` | `denoisingNetwork` | `trainNetwork`

Topics

“JPEG Image Deblocking Using Deep Learning”
“Train and Apply Denoising Neural Networks”

Introduced in R2017b

dpxinfor

Read metadata from DPX file

Syntax

```
metadata = dpxinfo(filename)
```

Description

`metadata = dpxinfo(filename)` reads information about the image contained in the DPX file specified by `filename`. `metadata` is a structure containing the file details.

Digital Picture Exchange (DPX) is an ANSI standard file format commonly used for still-frame storage in digital intermediate post-production facilities and film labs.

Examples

Read Metadata from DPX File

Read metadata from DPX file into the workspace.

```
m = dpxinfo('peppers.dpx')
```

```
m = struct with fields:
```

```
    Filename: 'B:\matlab\toolbox\images\imdata\peppers.dpx'  
    FileModDate: '16-Mar-2015 09:57:26'  
    FileSize: 892828  
    Format: 'DPX'  
    FormatVersion: '2.0'  
    Width: 512  
    Height: 384  
    BitDepth: 36  
    ColorType: 'R,G,B'  
    FormatSignature: [88 80 68 83]  
    ByteOrder: 'Little-endian'
```



```
Orientation: 'Left-to-right, Top-to-bottom'  
NumberOfImageElements: 1  
    DataSign: {'Unsigned'}  
AmplitudeTransferFunction: {'ITU-R 709-4'}  
    Colorimetry: {'ITU-R 709-4'}  
ChannelBitDepths: 12  
PackingMethod: 0  
Encoding: {'None'}
```

Input Arguments

filename — Name of the DPX file

character vector | string scalar

Name of a DPX file, specified as a string scalar or character vector. **filename** can contain the absolute path to the file, the name of a file on the MATLAB path, or a relative path.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

metadata — Information about the DPX image data

structure

Information about the DPX image data, returned as a structure.

See Also

dpxread

Introduced in R2015b

dpxread

Read DPX image

Syntax

```
X = dpxread(filename)
```

Description

`X = dpxread(filename)` reads image data from the DPX file specified by `filename`, returning the image `X`.

Digital Picture Exchange (DPX) is an ANSI standard file format commonly used for still-frame storage in digital intermediate post-production facilities and film labs.

Examples

Read and Visualize 12-bit RGB Image

Read image from DPX file into the workspace.

```
RGB = dpxread('peppers.dpx');
```

Create a scale factor based on the data range of the image data. The image needs to be scaled to span the 16-bit data range expected by `imshow`.

```
maxOfDataRange = 2^12 - 1;  
scaleFactor = intmax('uint16') / maxOfDataRange;
```

Display the image.

```
figure  
imshow(RGB * scaleFactor)
```



Input Arguments

filename — Name of the DPX file

character vector | string scalar

Name of a DPX file, specified as a string scalar or character vector. `filename` can contain the absolute path to the file, the name of a file on the MATLAB path, or a relative path.

Example: `RGB = dpxread('peppers.dpx');`

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

X — Image data from DPX file

real, nonsparse numeric array

Image data from DPX file, returned as a real, nonsparse numeric array of class `uint8` or `uint16`, depending on the bit depth of the pixels in `filename`.

See Also

`dpxinfo`

Introduced in R2015b

drawassisted

Create freehand ROI on image with assistance from image edges

Syntax

```
h = drawassisted
h = drawassisted(hImage)
h = drawassisted( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = drawassisted` begins interactive placement of a freehand region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The `drawassisted` function uses the edges in the underlying image to "assist" the drawing process. The function returns `h`, a handle to an `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI also supports a right-click context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawassisted(hImage)` begins interactive placement of a freehand ROI on the image specified by `hImage`.

`h = drawassisted(____,Name,Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to default values.

To create an ROI interactively, position the pointer on the image, click and release to place the first vertex (waypoint), and then move the pointer to draw a line. The line snaps to nearby edges in the image automatically as you draw. Click to place vertices along the line as you draw. To finish the ROI and close the shape, double-click. To delete an ROI, position the pointer on the ROI (not on a vertex), right-click, and select **Delete Freehand** from the context menu. For more information about keyboard shortcuts, see "Tips" on page 1-568.

Examples

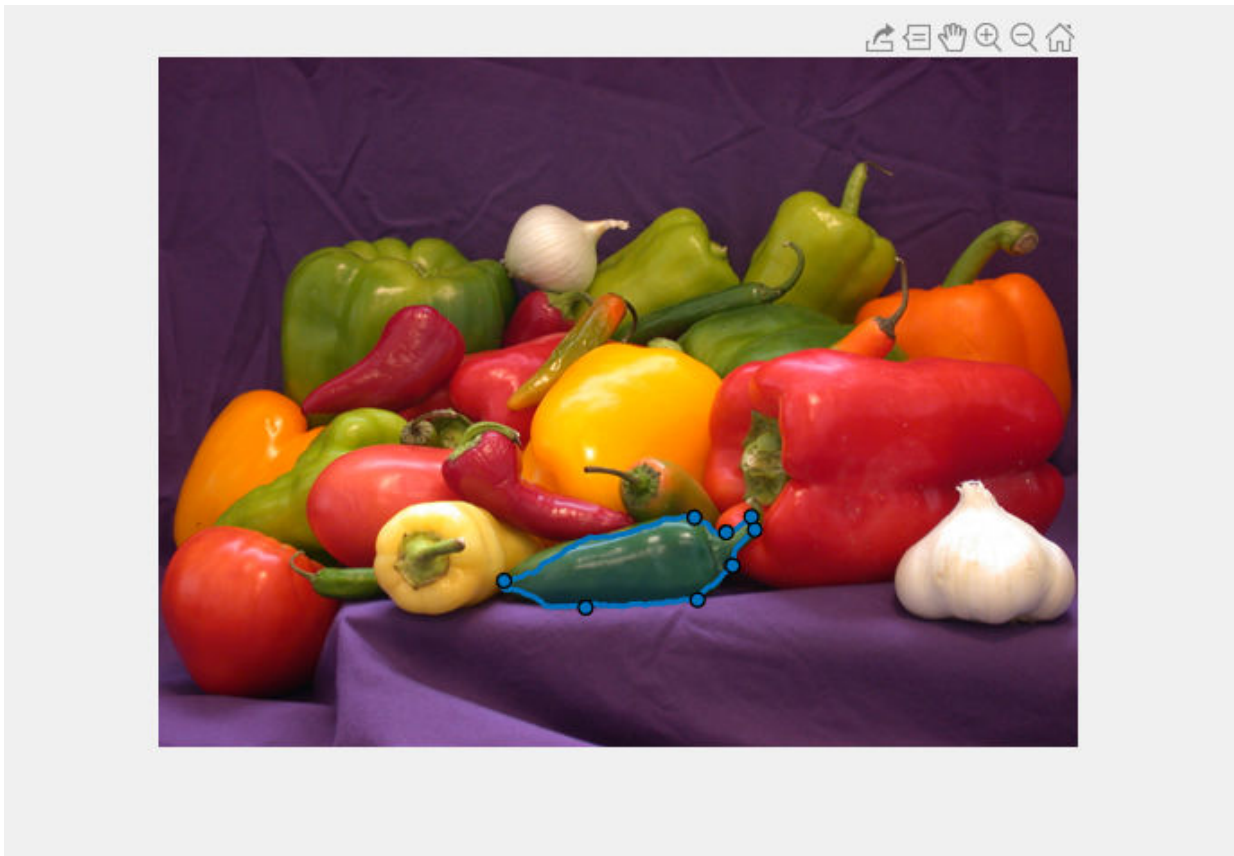
Alpha Blend Source ROI into Target Image

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
im = imread('peppers.png');  
imshow(im)
```

Draw an assisted freehand ROI.

```
h = drawassisted;
```



Create a mask of the ROI.

```
bw = createMask(h);
```

Create an alpha matrix that specifies the transparency of the source image at each pixel.

```
alphamat = imguigedfilter(single(bw),im, 'DegreeOfSmoothing',2);
```

Display a target image.

```
target = imread('fabric.png');  
imshow(target)
```



Resize the source image and the alpha matrix to the same size as the target image.

```
alphamat = imresize(alphamat,[size(target,1),size(target,2)]);  
im = imresize(im,[size(target,1),size(target,2)]);
```

Alpha blend the source ROI into the target image.

```
fused = single(im).*alpmat + (1-alpmat).*single(target);  
fused = uint8(fused);  
imshow(fused)
```



Input Arguments

hImage — Image object on which to draw ROI
image object

Image object on which to draw ROI, specified as an image object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawassisted('LineWidth',5);`

Closed — Close freehand ROI

`true` (default) | `false`

Close the freehand ROI, specified the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Closed'` and the logical value `true` or `false`. If `true` (default), `drawassisted` closes the ROI by connecting the last waypoint drawn to the first waypoint drawn.

Color — ROI color

`blue` (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set `'Deletable'` to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

`0.2` (default) | scalar

Transparency of ROI face, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceAlpha' and a scalar value in the range [0, 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceSelectable' and the value true or false. When true (default), the ROI face can capture clicks. When false, the ROI face cannot capture clicks.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

Image — Image on which to draw ROI

handle to Image object

Image on which to draw ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Image' and a handle to an Image object.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate' | 'reshape'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function and the <code>drawRectangle</code> function.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

n-by-2 array

Position of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Position' and an *n*-by-2 array of the form [x1 y1; ...; xn yn] where *n* is the number of vertices in the ROI. Each row specifies the position of a vertex in the ROI.

Selected — Selection state of ROI`false (default) | true`

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and `true` or `false`. You can also set this value interactively. For example, clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to `true`. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected`'none' (default) | colorspec`

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Smoothing — Smooth edge of freehand ROI`1 (default) | nonnegative scalar`

Smooth the edge of the freehand ROI using the standard deviation of the Gaussian smoothing kernel, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Smoothing' and a nonnegative scalar. The function uses this 'Smoothing' value to filter the x and y coordinates of the freehand ROI. The function defines the filter size as $2*\text{ceil}(2*\text{Smoothing}) + 1$.

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe`'none' (default) | ColorSpec value`

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Waypoints — Control points to reshape the ROI1 (default) | n -by-1 logical vector

Control points to reshape the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Waypoints' and an n -by-1 logical vector, the same length as `Position`. Each element of the `Waypoints` vector indicates if the corresponding point in the `Position` array is a

waypoint. Positions that are waypoints are set to `true` in `Waypoints`. Dragging a waypoint modifies the ROI between the specified waypoint and its immediate neighboring waypoints. If empty, `drawFreehand` automatically generates `Waypoints` at locations of increased curvature.

Output Arguments

h — Assisted Freehand ROI

`images.roi.AssistedFreehand` object

Assisted Freehand ROI, returned as an `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Finish drawing (close) the ROI.	<p>Double-click, which adds a vertex at the pointer position and draws a line to the first vertex to close the ROI.</p> <p>Right-click, which draws a line from the last vertex to the first vertex.</p> <p>Position pointer over the first vertex and click.</p> <p>Press Enter, which draws a line from the last vertex to the first vertex.</p>
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. No assistance (snapping to edges) is available in this mode.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Add a vertex (waypoint).	Position the pointer on an edge of the ROI and double-click. Position the pointer on an edge of the ROI, right-click, and select Add Waypoint .
Remove a vertex (waypoint).	Position the pointer on a vertex, right-click, and select Remove Waypoint .
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag to move the ROI.

See Also

`drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `images.roi.AssistedFreehand`

Topics

“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

drawcircle

Create customizable circular ROI

Syntax

```
h = drawcircle  
h = drawcircle(ax)  
h = drawcircle( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

`h = drawcircle` begins interactive placement of a circular region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns a handle to an `images.roi.Circle` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI also supports a right-click context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawcircle(ax)` begins interactive placement of a circular ROI on the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = drawcircle(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to the default values.

To draw the ROI interactively, move the pointer over the axes, click and drag the pointer to draw the circle. To finish drawing, release the pointer. To delete the ROI, position the pointer over the circle, right-click, and select **Delete Circle** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-582.

Examples

Create Black Circular ROI

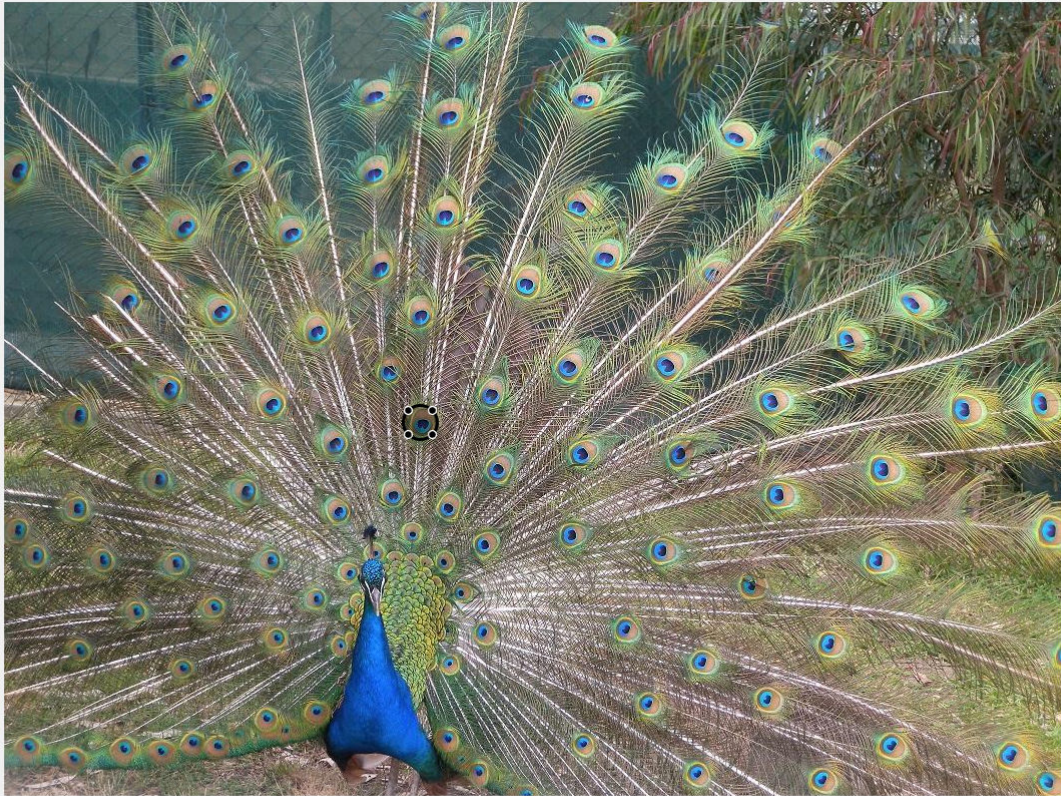
Read an image into the workspace and display it.


```
imshow(imread('peacock.jpg'))
```



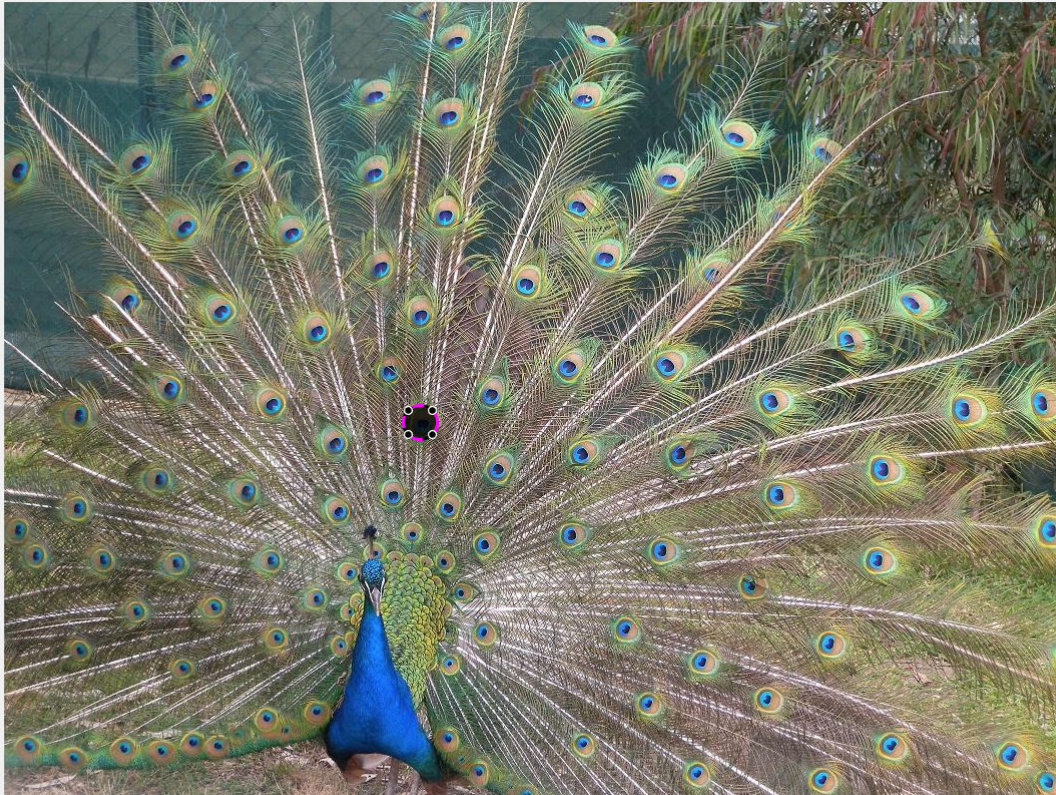
Interactively draw a partially-opaque black circular ROI.

```
h = drawcircle('Color', 'k', 'FaceAlpha', 0.4);
```



Change the stripe color of the ROI to magenta, then increase the opacity of the ROI.

```
h.StripeColor = 'magenta';  
h.FaceAlpha = 0.8;
```



Create Circular ROI Programmatically

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Draw a circular ROI on the image, Use the 'Center' name-value pair to specify the location of the circle and the 'Radius' name-value pair to specify its size. Set the edge of the circle to be striped by specifying the 'StripeColor' name-value pair.

```
h = drawcircle('Center',[1000,1000],'Radius',500,'StripeColor','red');
```



Parent axes of the ROI, specified as an axes object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawcircle('Color','k','Label','My Circle');`

Center — Center of ROI

`[x y]`

Center of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Center'` and a 1-by-2 array of the form `[x y]`. The values `x` and `y` are the coordinates of the center point of the ROI. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

Color — ROI color

`blue` (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set `'Deletable'` to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

`'auto'` (default) | `'unlimited'` | `[x,y,w,h]`

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'DrawingArea' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangle beginning at (x,y), with width w and height h.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | scalar

Transparency of ROI face, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceAlpha' and a scalar value in the range [0, 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceSelectable' and the value true or false. When true (default), the ROI face can capture clicks. When false, the ROI face cannot capture clicks.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.

Value	Description
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed – Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate' | 'reshape'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the drawPoint function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the drawPoint function and the drawRectangle function.

Label – ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth – Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Radius — Radius of circle

nonnegative numeric scalar

Radius of the circle, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Radius' and a nonnegative numeric scalar. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and true or false. You can also set this value interactively. For example, clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to true. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to false.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | colorspec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of points on the edge of ROI

n-by-2 array

Locations of points on the edge of the ROI, returned as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Vertices' and an *n*-by-2 array.

This parameter is read-only.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Output Arguments

h — Circular ROI

`images.roi.Circle` object

Circular ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Circle` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Resize the ROI.	Position the pointer over one of the vertices on the circle and then click and drag. The aspect ratio of the ROI remains constant (1:1).
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag the ROI.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `images.roi.Circle`

Topics

“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

drawcuboid

Create customizable cuboidal ROI

Syntax

```
H = drawcuboid  
H = drawcuboid(ax)  
H = drawcuboid(S)  
H = drawcuboid( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

H = drawcuboid begins interactive placement of a cuboidal region of interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns an `images.roi.Cuboid` object, H. You can modify an ROI interactively using the mouse. The ROI also supports a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

H = drawcuboid(ax) creates the ROI on the axes specified by ax instead of the current axes (gca).

H = drawcuboid(S) creates the ROI on the Scatter object specified by S. During interactive placement, the cuboid snaps to the nearest point defined by the Scatter object.

H = drawcuboid(____, Name, Value) modifies the appearance of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs.

To create an ROI interactively, position the pointer over the ROI, move it to any location in the figure, and click. To delete the cuboid, position the pointer over the ROI, right-click, and select **Delete Cuboid** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-594.

Examples

Create Cuboid ROI on Scatter Plot

Create a 3-D scatter plot and interactively define a cuboid ROI over the data.

Define vectors for 3-D scatter data.

```
[x,y,z] = sphere(16);  
X = [x(:)*.5 x(:)*.75 x(:)];  
Y = [y(:)*.5 y(:)*.75 y(:)];  
Z = [z(:)*.5 z(:)*.75 z(:)];
```

Specify the size and color of each marker.

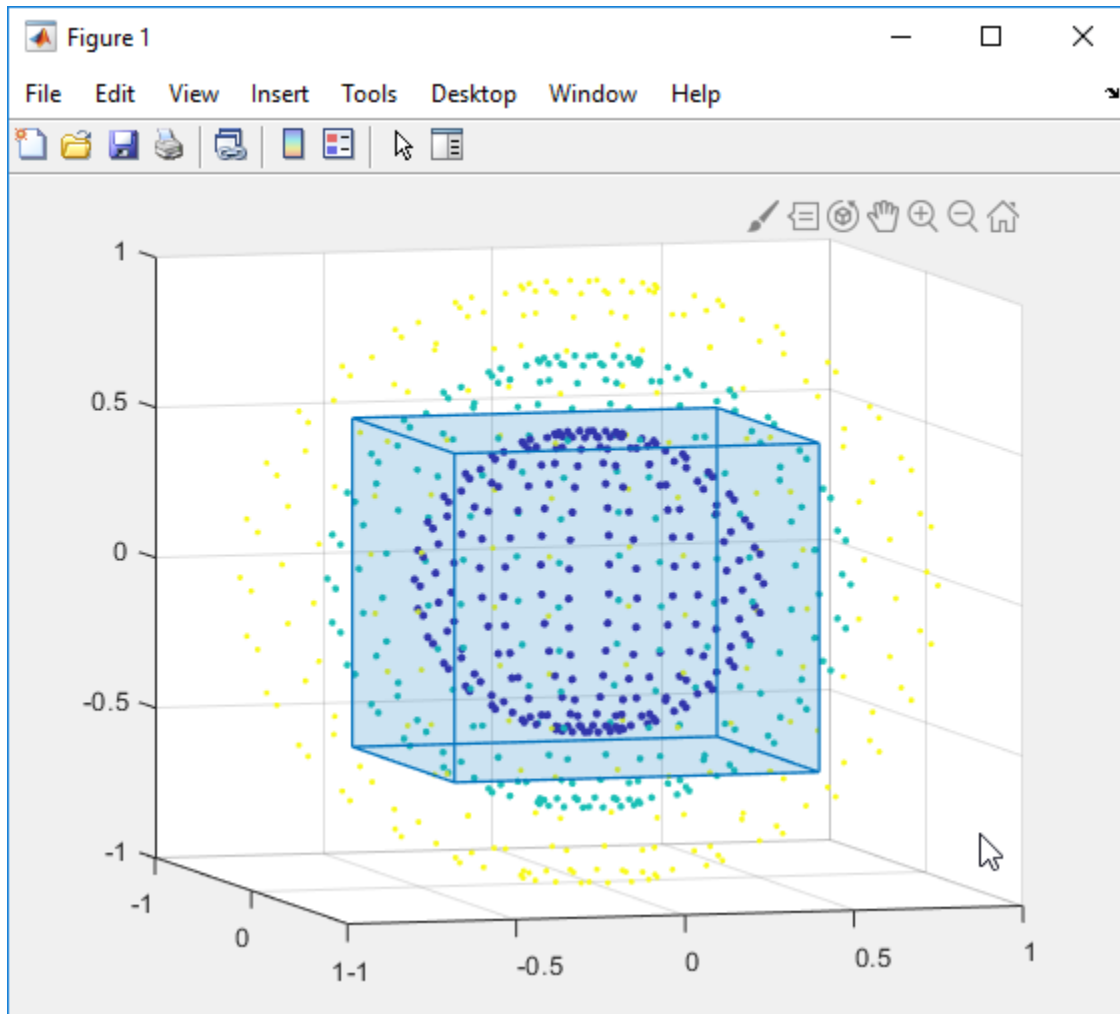
```
S = repmat([1 .75 .5]*10,numel(x),1);  
C = repmat([1 2 3],numel(x),1);
```

Create a 3-D scatter plot. Use `view` to change the angle of the axes in the figure.

```
figure  
hScatter = scatter3(X(:),Y(:),Z(:),S(:),C(:),'filled');  
view(-60,60);
```

Begin placing a cuboid ROI on the axes. The ROI snaps to the nearest point defined by the scatter plot. Adjust the size of the cuboid during interactive placement by using the scroll wheel.

```
drawcuboid(hScatter);
```



Input Arguments

ax — Parent axes of ROI

Axes object (default)

Parent axes of ROI, specified as an `Axes` object. If you do not specify the axes, the function uses the current axes.

S — Scatter plot

Scatter object

Scatter plot, specified as a `Scatter` object. The parent of the `Scatter` object becomes the parent of the ROI.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawcuboid('Color','k','Label','My Cuboid');`

Color — ROI color

`[0 0.4470 0.7410]` (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set `'Deletable'` to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

`'auto'` (default) | `'unlimited'` | 1-by-6 numeric array

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'DrawingArea'` and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is a superset of the current axes limits and a bounding box that surrounds the ROI (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,z,w,h,d]	The drawing area is restricted to a region beginning at (x,y,z), with width w, height h, and depth d.

EdgeAlpha — Transparency of ROI edge

1 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'EdgeAlpha' and a scalar in the range [0 1]. When set to 1, the ROI edge is fully opaque. When set to 0, the ROI edge is completely transparent.

Example: `drawcuboid('EdgeAlpha',0.2)`

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI faces

0.2 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of the ROI faces, specified as a numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI faces are fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI faces are completely transparent.

FaceAlphaOnHover — Transparency of ROI face directly underneath mouse pointer

0.4 (default) | nonnegative numeric scalar | 'none'

Transparency of ROI face directly underneath the mouse pointer, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceAlphaOnHover' and a scalar value in the range [0 1] or 'none' to indicate no change to face transparency. When set to 1, the face under the mouse pointer is fully opaque. When set to 0, the face is completely transparent.

Example: `drawcuboid('FaceAlphaOnHover',1)`

FaceColorOnHover — Color of ROI face directly underneath mouse pointer

'none' (default) | MATLABColorSpec

Color of the ROI face directly underneath the mouse pointer, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceColorOnHover' and a MATLABColorSpec (Color Specification) or 'none'. By default, the face color does not change on hover. (Hover means positioning the pointer over the surface of the cuboidal ROI.) When you are not hovering over a face of the ROI, the value of the ROI Color property determines the face color. The intensities must be in the range [0, 1].

Example: `drawcuboid('FaceColorOnHover','g')`

HandleVisibility – Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed – Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LabelVisible — Visibility of ROI label

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'hover'

Visibility of the ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LabelVisible' and one of these values:

Value	Description
'on'	Label is visible when the ROI is visible and 'Label' is nonempty (default).
'hover'	Label is visible only when the mouse is hovering over the ROI.
'off'	Label is not visible.

Example: `drawcuboid('LabelVisible','hover')`

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

1 (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of cuboid

1-by-6 numeric array

Position of the cuboid, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Position' and a 1-by-6 array of the form `[xmin, ymin, zmin, width, height, depth]`. This property updates automatically when you draw or move the cuboid.

Rotatable — Ability of cuboid to be rotated

'none' (default) | 'x' | 'y' | 'z' | 'all'

Ability of the cuboid to be rotated, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Rotatable' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	ROI is fully rotatable.
'x'	ROI can only be rotated about the x axis
'y'	ROI can only be rotated about the y axis.
'z'	ROI can only be rotated about the z axis.
'none'	ROI is not rotatable.

RotationAngle — Angle of ROI rotation

[0 0 0] (default) | 1-by-3 numeric array of rotation angles

Angle of ROI rotation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'RotationAngle' and a 1-by-3 numeric array of rotation angles, measured in degrees. The rotation angles array is of the form [x_angle y_angle z_angle], measured about the x-, y-, and z-axis, respectively. Rotation is applied about the ROI centroid in this order: z, y, x.

The value of RotationAngle does not impact the values in Position. Position represents the cuboid before any rotation. When you rotate the cuboid, use Vertices to determine the location of the rotated ROI.

ScrollWheelDuringDraw — Ability of scroll wheel to adjust size

'allresize' (default) | 'xresize' | 'yresize' | 'zresize' | 'none'

Ability of the scroll wheel to adjust the size of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ScrollWheelDuringDraw' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'allresize'	Scroll wheel impacts all ROI dimensions.
'xresize'	Scroll wheel impacts only the x dimension.
'yresize'	Scroll wheel impacts only the y dimension.
'zresize'	Scroll wheel impacts only the z dimension.

Value	Description
'none'	Scroll wheel has no effect.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and true or false. You can also set this value interactively. For example, clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to true. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to false.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | colorspec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of corners of cuboidal ROI

8-by-3 numeric array

This property is read-only.

Locations of the corners of cuboidal ROI, specified as an 8-by-3 array. Each row is the x-, y-, and z-coordinate of a corner of the cuboidal ROI.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Output Arguments

H — Cuboidal ROI

`images.roi.Cuboid` object

Cuboidal ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Cuboid` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Fine-tune ROI size while drawing.	Use the scroll wheel to make small changes to the size of the ROI while drawing.
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position the pointer on one of the visible faces of the cuboid and click and drag the surface. You might have to rotate the cuboid to select a surface. If you press the Shift , dragging the mouse moves the ROI but does not change any of the dimensions.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer on any of the visible surfaces of the ROI and click and drag while pressing Shift . Position the pointer on any visible surface of the ROI, right-click, and select Lock Dimensions . Click and drag to move the ROI.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `images.roi.Cuboid`

Topics

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2019a

drawellipse

Create customizable elliptical ROI

Syntax

```
h = drawellipse  
h = drawellipse(ax)  
h = drawellipse( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

`h = drawellipse` begins interactive placement of an elliptical region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns a handle to an `images.roi.Ellipse` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI supports a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawellipse(ax)` begins interactive placement of an ROI on the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = drawellipse(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to the default value.

To draw the ROI interactively, position the pointer over the axes and click and drag to draw the ellipse. To finish drawing the ROI, release the pointer. To delete the ROI, position the pointer on the ellipse, right-click, and select **Delete Ellipse** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-609.

Examples

Create Red Elliptical ROI

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
imshow(imread('llama.jpg'))
```



Interactively draw a red elliptical ROI.

```
h = drawellipse('Color','r');
```



Change the stripe color of the ROI to black, then increase the opacity of the ROI.

```
h.StripeColor = 'k';  
h.FaceAlpha = 0.4;
```



Create Elliptical ROI Programmatically

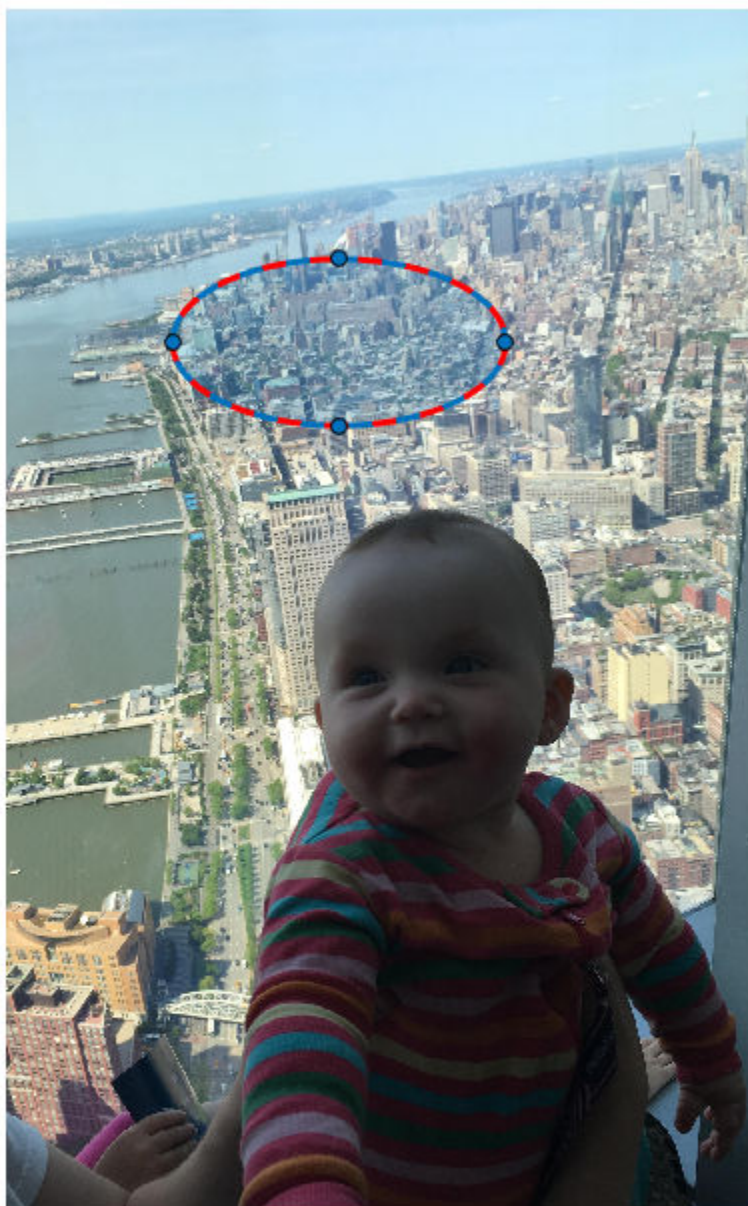
Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Draw an elliptical ROI on the image. Use the 'Center' name-value pair to specify the location of the ellipse and the 'SemiAxes' name-value pair to specify the shape of the ellipse. Set the edge of the ellipse to be a striped red line by specifying the 'StripeColor' name-value pair.

```
h = drawellipse('Center',[1000,1000],'SemiAxes',[500,250],'StripeColor','r');
```



Input Arguments

ax — Parent axes of ROI

axes object

Parent axes of the ROI, specified as an axes object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawellipse('Color','k','Label','My Ellipse');`

AspectRatio — Aspect ratio of ellipse

nonnegative numeric scalar

Aspect ratio of the ellipse, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'AspectRatio'` and a nonnegative numeric scalar, calculated as `SemiAxes(1)/SemiAxes(2)`. This value changes automatically when you draw or resize the ROI, or change the value of the `SemiAxes` property.

Center — Center of ROI

`[x y]`

Center of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Center'` and a 1-by-2 array of the form `[x y]`. The values `x` and `y` are the coordinates of the center point of the ROI. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Deletable' and a logical value of true or false. When the value is true (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set 'Deletable' to false. When the value is set to false, you can still delete the ROI by calling the delete function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'DrawingArea' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangle beginning at (x,y), with width w and height h.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | scalar

Transparency of ROI face, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceAlpha' and a scalar value in the range [0, 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceSelectable' and the value `true` or `false`. When `true` (default), the ROI face can capture clicks. When `false`, the ROI face cannot capture clicks.

FixedAspectRatio – Aspect ratio remains constant

`false` (default) | `true`

Aspect ratio remains constant during interaction, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FixedAspectRatio' and the logical values `true` or `false`. When this value is `true`, the ROI maintains the aspect ratio when you draw or resize the ellipse. When this value is `false` (default), you can change the aspect ratio when drawing or resizing the ellipse. You can change this value by using the default context menu.

HandleVisibility – Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

`'on'` (default) | `'off'` | `'callback'`

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
<code>'on'</code>	The object handle is always visible (default).
<code>'off'</code>	The object handle is hidden at all times.
<code>'callback'</code>	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed – Interactivity of ROI

`'all'` (default) | `'none'` | `'translate'` | `'reshape'`

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
<code>'all'</code>	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
<code>'none'</code>	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.

Value	Description
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function and the <code>drawRectangle</code> function.

Label — ROI label`''` (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (`''`) and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

RotationAngle — Angle around center of ellipse θ (default) | nonnegative numeric scalar

Angle around the center of the ellipse, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'RotationAngle' and as a nonnegative numeric scalar. The angle is measured in degrees in a clockwise direction. This value changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and `true` or `false`. You can also set this value interactively. For example, clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to `true`. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | `colormap`

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

SemiAxes — Lengths of semiaxes of ellipse

[`semiaxis1` `semiaxis2`]

Lengths of the semiaxis of the ellipse, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SemiAxes' and a 1-by-2 array of the form [`semiaxis1` `semiaxis2`]. The `drawellipse` function assigns the length of the semiaxis that is closest to the x direction to `semiaxis1`. Note however that the shape and orientation of the ellipse can change through interaction. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or reshape the ROI.

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | `ColorSpec` value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of points on edge of ROI

N-by-2 array

Locations of points on the edge of the ROI, returned as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Vertices' and an *n*-by-2 array.

This property is read-only.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Output Arguments

h — Elliptical ROI

`images.roi.Ellipse` object

Elliptical ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Ellipse` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty Position field.
Fine-tune width of ellipse as you are drawing.	As you draw the ellipse, use the scroll wheel to make small changes to the width of the ellipse.
Rotate the ROI.	Position the pointer near a vertex. The pointer changes to the rotate pointer. Click and rotate the ROI on its center. To make the rotation snap at 15 degree angles, press Shift as you rotate.
Maintain aspect ratio while drawing.	Hold the Shift key as you draw. Creates a circular ROI. To lock the aspect ratio, position the pointer on the ROI, right-click, and select Fix Aspect Ratio from the context menu
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. To main the aspect ratio as you resize, Hold the Shift key.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag to move the ROI.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `images.roi.Ellipse`

Topics

“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

drawfreehand

Create customizable freehand ROI

Syntax

```
h = drawfreehand  
h = drawfreehand(ax)  
h = drawfreehand( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

`h = drawfreehand` begins interactive placement of a freehand region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns a handle to an `images.roi.Freehand` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI object also supports a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawfreehand(ax)` begins interactive placement of an ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = drawfreehand(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to the default value.

To create a freehand ROI interactively, position the pointer on the axes and click and drag to draw the ROI shape. Release the pointer to close the shape. To delete a freehand ROI, position the pointer over the ROI, right-click, and select **Delete Freehand** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-624.

Examples

Create Freehand ROI That Is Not Selectable

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
imshow(imread('yellowlily.jpg'))
```



Draw a freehand ROI.

`h = drawfreehand;`



Fill in the face of the freehand ROI and disable the ability to select the ROI. The ROI does not move when you click and drag the mouse.

```
h.FaceAlpha = 1;  
h.FaceSelectable = false;
```



Input Arguments

ax — Parent axes of ROI

axes object

Parent axes of the ROI, specified as an axes object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawfreehand('LineWidth',5);`

Closed — Close freehand ROI

`true` (default) | `false`

Close the freehand ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Closed'` and the logical value `true` or `false`. If `true` (default), `drawfreehand` closes the ROI by connecting the last waypoint drawn to the first waypoint drawn.

Color — ROI color

`blue` (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu

item, set 'Deletable' to false. When the value is set to false, you can still delete the ROI by calling the delete function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'DrawingArea' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangle beginning at (x,y), with width w and height h.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | scalar

Transparency of ROI face, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceAlpha' and a scalar value in the range [0,1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceSelectable' and the value true or false. When true (default), the ROI face can capture clicks. When false, the ROI face cannot capture clicks.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate' | 'reshape'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function and the <code>drawRectangle</code> function.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Multiclick — Control freehand drawing style during interactive placement

true (default) | false

Control the freehand drawing style during interactive placement, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Multiclick' and the logical scalar true or false. When the value is false (default), a single click and drag gesture completes the freehand. When true, multiple click and drag gestures can be combined with straight edges to make a more complex freehand shape.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of the freehand ROI

[] (default) | *n*-by-2 array

Position of the freehand ROI, specified as an *n*-by-2 array, [x1 y1; ...; xn yn] where each row specifies the position of a vertex of the freehand ROI.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and true or false. You can also set this value interactively. For example, clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to true. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to false.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | colorspec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Smoothing — Smooth edge of freehand ROI

1 (default) | nonnegative scalar

Smooth the edge of the freehand ROI using the standard deviation of the Gaussian smoothing kernel, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Smoothing' and a nonnegative scalar. The function uses this 'Smoothing' value to filter the x and y coordinates of the freehand ROI. The function defines the filter size as $2*\text{ceil}(2*\text{Smoothing}) + 1$.

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the findobj function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a uicontextmenu object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the uicontextmenu function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Waypoints — Control points to reshape the ROI

1 (default) | n -by-1 logical vector

Control points to reshape the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Waypoints' and an n -by-1 logical vector, the same length as `Position`. Each element of the `Waypoints` vector indicates if the corresponding point in the `Position` array is a waypoint. Positions that are waypoints are set to `true` in `Waypoints`. Dragging a waypoint modifies the ROI between the specified waypoint and its immediate neighboring waypoints. If empty, `drawfreehand` automatically generates `Waypoints` at locations of increased curvature.

Output Arguments

h — Freehand ROI

`images.roi.Freehand` object

Freehand ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Freehand` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Finish drawing (close) the ROI.	Right-click. Position pointer over the first vertex and click. Press Enter .
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty Position field.
Add a new vertex (waypoint) to the ROI.	Position the pointer on the edge of the ROI and double-click. Position the pointer on the edge of the ROI, right-click, choose Add Waypoint from the context menu.
Remove a vertex (waypoint) from the ROI.	Position the pointer on a vertex, right-click, choose Remove Waypoint from the context menu.
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. Add a new vertex to the polygon and then click and drag.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer on the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag the ROI.

See Also

drawassisted | drawcircle | drawcuboid | drawellipse | drawline | drawpoint | drawpolygon | drawpolyline | drawrectangle | images.roi.Freehand

Topics

“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

drawline

Create customizable linear ROI

Syntax

```
h = drawline
h = drawline(ax)
h = drawline( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

`h = drawline` begins interactive placement of a linear region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns a handle to an `images.roi.Line` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI object also supports a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawline(ax)` creates an instance of the ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = drawline(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to the default value.

To create a linear ROI interactively, position the pointer where you want to start drawing and then click and drag to draw the line. Release the pointer to finish the line. To delete the line, position the pointer over the line, right-click, and select **Delete Line** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-637.

Examples

Create Linear ROIs That Change Color When Selected

Read an image into the workspace and display it.


```
imshow(imread('car1.jpg'))
```



Draw two linear ROIs on the image. Use the 'SelectedColor' name-value pair to specify the color of the ROI when selected.

```
h1 = drawline('SelectedColor','yellow');  
h2 = drawline('SelectedColor','magenta');
```



To turn the first line yellow, select the ROI programatically. You can also select an ROI by clicking it with the mouse. Click the second ROI to turn it magenta.

```
h1.Selected = true;
```



Create Linear ROI Programmatically

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Draw a linear ROI over the image. Use the 'Position' name-value pair to specify the location and length of the linear ROI. Set the line to be striped red by specifying the 'StripeColor' name-value pair.

```
h = drawline('Position',[500 500;500 1500],'StripeColor','r');
```



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Input Arguments

Parent axes of the ROI, specified as an axes object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawline('LineWidth',4);`

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set `'Deletable'` to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | `[x,y,w,h]`

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'DrawingArea'` and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).

Value	Description
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangle beginning at (x,y), with width <i>w</i> and height <i>h</i> .

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate' | 'reshape'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.

Value	Description
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the drawPoint function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the drawPoint function and the drawRectangle function.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

2-by-2 array

Position of the ROI, specified as a 2-by-2 array of the form [x1 y1; x2 y2]. Each row specifies the respective end-point of the linear ROI. This value changes automatically when you draw or move the line.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and true or false. You can also set this value interactively. For example,

clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to `true`. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | colorspec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Output Arguments

h — Linear ROI`images.roi.Line` object

Linear ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Line` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Make drawn line snap to 15 degree angles.	Hold the Shift key while drawing.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Resize the ROI.	Position pointer over either endpoint and then click and drag to resize the ROI. Hold the Shift key while resizing to snap the line drawn at 15 degree angles.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Then click and drag the ROI.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `images.roi.Line`

Topics

“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

drawpoint

Create customizable point ROI

Syntax

```
h = drawpoint
h = drawpoint(ax, ___)
h = drawpoint( ___, Name, Value)
```

Description

`h = drawpoint` begins interactive placement of a point region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns a handle to an `images.roi.Point` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI object also supports a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawpoint(ax, ___)` begins interactive placement of an ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = drawpoint(___, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to the default value.

To create a point ROI interactively, position the pointer where you want the ROI and then click and release to draw it. To delete the ROI, position the pointer over the point, right-click, and then choose **Delete Point** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-650.

Examples

Create Point ROI Interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
imshow(imread('parkavenue.jpg'))
```



Draw a point ROI on the image.

```
h = drawpoint;
```



Add a label to the ROI.

```
h.Label = '42 m';
```



Create Point ROI Programmatically

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```




Draw a point ROI on the image, using named parameters to specify the location.

```
h = drawpoint('Position', [500 500]);
```



Parent axes of the ROI, specified as an axes object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawpoint('Position',[1000 1000]);`

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set `'Deletable'` to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | `[x,y,w,h]`

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'DrawingArea'` and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).

Value	Description
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangle beginning at (x,y), with width w and height h.

HandleVisibility – Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed – Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate' | 'reshape'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.

Value	Description
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function and the <code>drawRectangle</code> function.

Label — ROI label`' ' (default) | character vector | string`

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge`three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar`

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent`Axes object`

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI`1-by-2 array`

Position of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Position' and a 1-by-2 array of the form [x y]. The values x and y specify the x- and y-coordinates of the ROI. This value changes automatically when you draw or move the point.

Selected — Selection state of ROI`false (default) | true`

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and true or false. You can also set this value interactively. For example,

clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to `true`. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | colorspec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Output Arguments

h — Point ROI`images.roi.Point` object

Point ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Point` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to a circle. Click and drag to move the ROI.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `images.roi.Point`

Topics

“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

drawpolygon

Create customizable polygonal ROI

Syntax

```
h = drawpolygon  
h = drawpolygon(ax)  
h = drawpolygon( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

`h = drawpolygon` begins interactive placement of a polygonal region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns a handle to an `images.roi.Polygon` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI object also supports a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawpolygon(ax)` begins interactive placement of an ROI on the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = drawpolygon(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to the default value.

To draw the ROI interactively, position the pointer over the axes, click and drag the pointer to draw the ROI. As you draw the line, click to create a vertex. Double-click to finish drawing and close the polygon. The ROI supports a right-click context menu that lets you add a vertex, delete a vertex, or delete the entire ROI, depending on where you right-click. To delete the ROI, position the pointer on the ROI, right-click, and choose **Delete Polygon** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-664.

Examples

Create Polygonal ROI Interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
imshow(imread('strawberries.jpg'))
```



Draw a polygonal ROI on the image. Use the 'FaceAlpha' name-value pair to make the face of the ROI transparent.

```
h = drawpolygon('FaceAlpha',0);
```



Change the color of the polygon outline by setting the 'Color' property of the ROI.

```
h.Color = 'yellow';
```



Create Polygonal ROI Programmatically

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Draw a polygonal ROI over the image, using the `Position` parameter to specify the location of vertices.

```
my_vertices = [500 500;400 600;400 700;500 800;600 800;700 700; 700 600];  
h = drawpolygon('Position',my_vertices);
```



Parent axes of the ROI, specified as an axes object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawpolygon('FaceAlpha',0,'FaceSelectable',1);`

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set `'Deletable'` to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | `[x,y,w,h]`

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'DrawingArea'` and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).

Value	Description
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangle beginning at (x,y), with width w and height h.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | scalar

Transparency of ROI face, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceAlpha' and a scalar value in the range [0,1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceSelectable' and the value true or false. When true (default), the ROI face can capture clicks. When false, the ROI face cannot capture clicks.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed – Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate' | 'reshape'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the <code>drawPoint</code> function and the <code>drawRectangle</code> function.

Label – ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth – Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent – ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

n-by-2 array

Position of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Position' and an *n*-by-2 array, of the form [x1 y1; ...; xn yn]. Each row specifies the position of a vertex of the polygonal ROI. This value changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and true or false. You can also set this value interactively. For example, clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to true. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to false.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | colorspec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Output Arguments**h — Polygonal ROI**`images.roi.Polygon` object

Polygonal ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Polygon` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Make drawn line snap at 15 degree angles.	Hold the Shift key while drawing.
Finish drawing (close) the ROI.	Double-click, which adds a new vertex at the pointer position and draws a line to the first vertex to close the polygon. Press Enter , which adds a new vertex at the pointer position and draws a line to the first vertex to close the polygon. Right-click, which does not add a new vertex but closes the polygon from the previous vertex. Position pointer over the first vertex and click.
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Add a new vertex to the ROI.	Position the pointer over the edge of the ROI and double-click. Position the pointer over the edge of the ROI, right-click, and select Add Vertex from the context menu.
Remove the most recently added vertex but keep drawing.	Press Backspace . The function redraws the line from the previous vertex to the current position of the pointer. You can only back up to the first vertex you drew.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Resize (reshape) the ROI	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. Add a new vertex to the ROI and then click and drag. Remove a vertex. The ROI redraws the line connecting the two neighboring vertices.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI (not on a vertex). The pointer changes to a fleur shape. Click and drag to move the ROI.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `images.roi.Polygon`

Topics

“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

drawpolyline

Create customizable polyline ROI

Syntax

```
h = drawpolyline
h = drawpolyline(ax, ___)
h = drawpolyline(___ ,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = drawpolyline` begins interactive placement of a polyline region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns a handle to a `images.roi.Polyline` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI object also supports a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawpolyline(ax, ___)` begins interactive placement of an instance of the ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = drawpolyline(___ ,Name,Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to the default value.

To create a polyline ROI interactively, position the pointer over the axes and click and drag to draw the line. As you draw, click to place vertices along the line. Double-click to finish drawing the polyline. To delete the ROI, position the pointer over the line, right-click, and select **Delete Polyline** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-677.

Examples

Create Polyline ROI Interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.


```
imshow(imread('westconcordaerial.png'))
```



Draw the polyline ROI on the image. Use the 'Color' name-value pair to specify the color of the line.

```
h = drawpolyline('Color','green');
```



Decrease the width of the edge of the ROI by setting the 'LineWidth' property.

```
h.LineWidth = 1;
```



Create Polygonal ROI Programmatically

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Draw a polygonal ROI over the image, using named parameters to specify the location and shape. The example also specifies that the edge of the polygon is a striped.

```
h = drawpolyline('Position',[500 500;400 600;400 700;500 800;600 800;700 700; 700 600])
```



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Input Arguments

Parent axes of the ROI, specified as an axes object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `h = drawpolyline('LineWidth',1);`

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set `'Deletable'` to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | `[x,y,w,h]`

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'DrawingArea'` and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).

Value	Description
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangle beginning at (x,y), with width <i>w</i> and height <i>h</i> .

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate' | 'reshape'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.

Value	Description
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the drawPoint function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the drawPoint function and the drawRectangle function.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of the polyline ROI

n-by-2 array

Position of the polyline ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Position' and an *n*-by-2 array, of the form [x1 y1; ...; xn yn], where *n* represents the number of vertices. Each row specifies the position of a vertex of the polyline ROI.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and true or false. You can also set this value interactively. For example,

clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to `true`. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | colorspec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Output Arguments

h — Polyline ROI`images.roi.Polyline` object

Polyline ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Polyline` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Make drawn line snap at 15 degree angles.	Hold the Shift key while drawing.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Finish drawing the ROI.	Double-click, which adds a final new vertex at the pointer position. Right-click, which adds a final new vertex at the pointer position. Press Enter , which adds a final new vertex at the pointer position..
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty Position field.
Add a new vertex to the ROI.	Position the pointer over the polygon and double-click. You can also position the pointer over the ROI, right-click, and choose Add Vertex .
Remove a vertex from the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI, right-click, and choose Delete Vertex .
Remove the most recently added vertex but keep drawing.	Press Backspace . The function redraws the line from the previous vertex to the current position of the pointer. You can only back up to the first vertex you drew.
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. Add a new vertex and then click and drag. Remove a vertex and the shape of the ROI adjusts.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the line, not on a vertex. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag the ROI.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawrectangle` | `images.roi.Polyline`

Topics

[“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”](#)

[“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”](#)

Introduced in R2018b

drawrectangle

Create customizable rectangular ROI

Syntax

```
h = drawrectangle  
h = drawrectangle(ax)  
h = drawrectangle( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = drawrectangle` begins interactive placement of a rectangular region-of-interest (ROI) on the current axes. The function returns a handle to an `images.roi.Rectangle` object. You can modify the ROI interactively using your mouse. The ROI object also supports a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

`h = drawrectangle(ax)` begins interactive placement of the ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = drawrectangle(____,Name,Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs. Unspecified name-value pairs are set to the default value.

To draw the ROI interactively, position the pointer and then click and drag. Release the pointer to finish the ROI. To delete the ROI, position the pointer on the rectangle, right-click, and choose **Delete Rectangle** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-693.

Examples

Draw Nested Rectangular ROIs

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

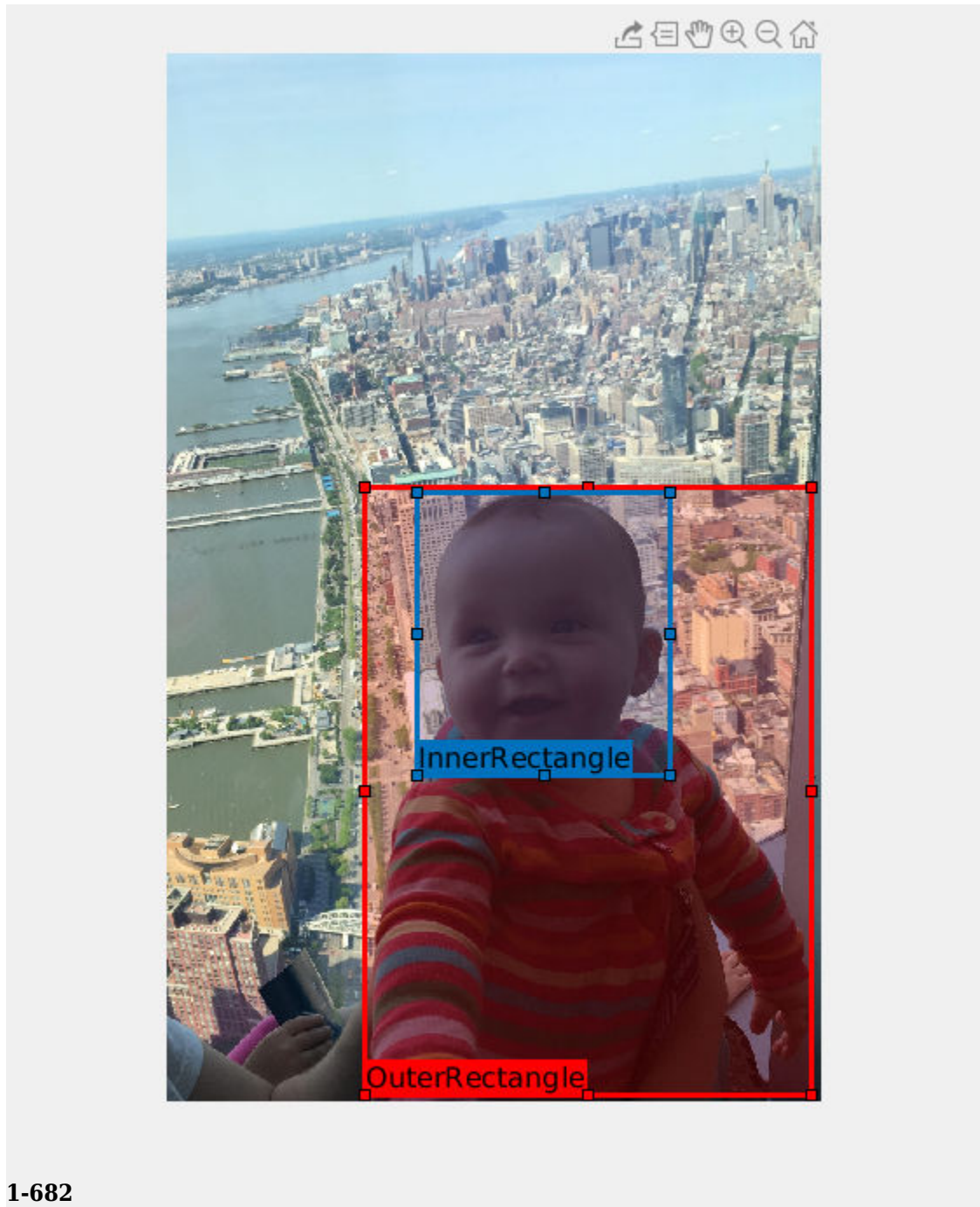
```
imshow(imread('baby.jpg'))
```

Draw a red rectangular ROI with the label 'OuterRectangle'.

```
r1 = drawrectangle('Label', 'OuterRectangle', 'Color', [1 0 0]);
```

Draw another rectangular ROI, restricting the drawing area to the area inside the first rectangle.

```
r2 = drawrectangle('Label', 'InnerRectangle', 'DrawingArea', r1.Position);
```



Create Rectangular ROI Programmatically

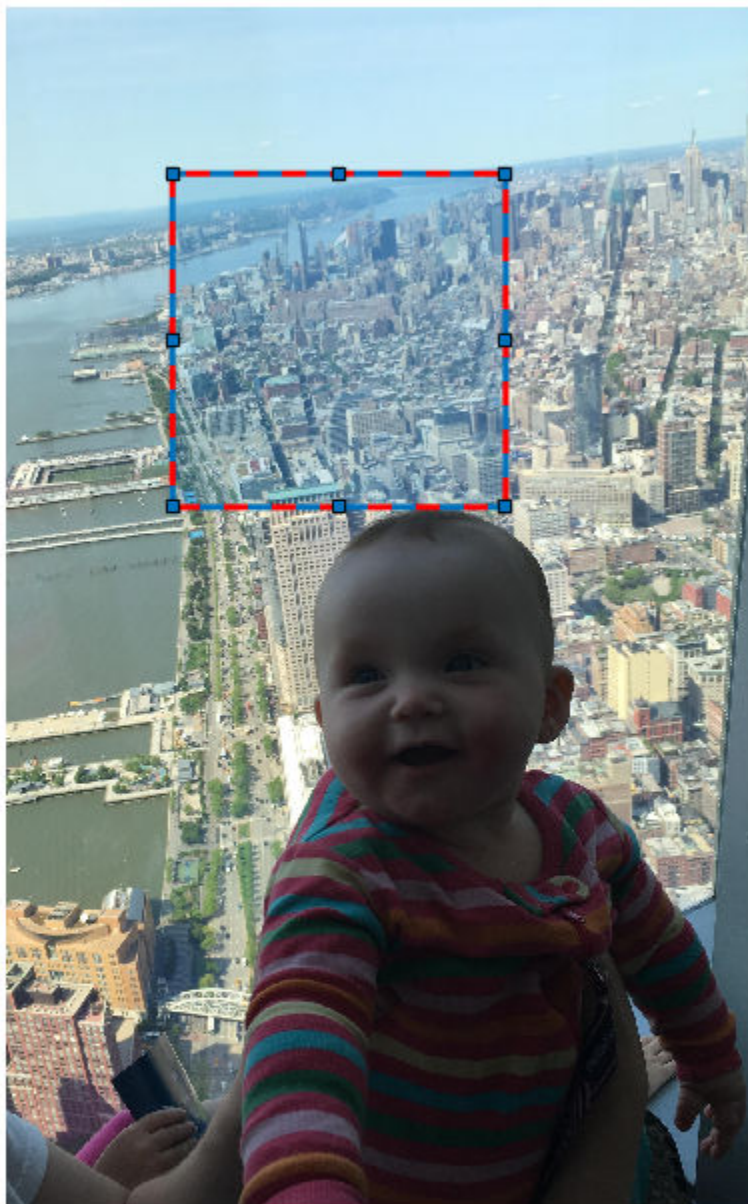
Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Draw a rectangular ROI over the image, using named parameters to specify the location and size of the rectangle. The example also specifies that the edge of the rectangle is a striped line.

```
h = drawrectangle('Position',[500,500,1000,1000], 'StripeColor','r');
```



Input Arguments

ax — Parent axes of ROI

axes object

Parent axes of the ROI, specified as an axes object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `h1 = drawrectangle('LineWidth',5);`

AspectRatio — Aspect ratio of rectangle

nonnegative numeric scalar

Aspect ratio of the rectangle, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'AspectRatio'` and a nonnegative numeric scalar, calculated as height/width. This value changes automatically when you draw or resize the ROI.

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec` value

ROI color, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Color'` and a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Deletable'` and a logical value of `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu

item, set 'Deletable' to false. When the value is set to false, you can still delete the ROI by calling the delete function, specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'DrawingArea' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangle beginning at (x,y), with width w and height h.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | scalar

Transparency of ROI face, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceAlpha' and a scalar value in the range [0, 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FaceSelectable' and the value true or false. When true (default), the ROI face can capture clicks. When false, the ROI face cannot capture clicks.

FixedAspectRatio — Aspect ratio remains constant

false (default) | true

Aspect ratio remains constant during interaction, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FixedAspectRatio' and the logical values true or false. When true, the ROI maintains the aspect ratio when you draw or resize the rectangle. When false (default), you can change the aspect ratio when drawing or resizing the rectangle. You can change the state of this property using the default context menu.

HandleVisibility – Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'HandleVisibility' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed – Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate' | 'reshape'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InteractionsAllowed' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available with the drawPoint function.
'reshape'	ROI can be reshaped within the drawing area but not translated. This value is not available with the drawPoint function and the drawRectangle function.

Label – ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Label' and a character vector or string. By default, this property is set to an empty array (' ') and the ROI has no label.

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineWidth' and a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

1-by-4 array

Position of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Position' and a 1-by-4 array of the form [xmin, ymin, width, height]. xmin and ymin specify the location of the upper left corner of the rectangle. width and height specify the extend to the rectangle in two dimensions. This value changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

Rotatable — Ability of ROI to be rotated

false (default) | true

Ability of the ROI to be rotated, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Rotatable' and the logical value true or false. When the value is false (default), the rectangle cannot be rotated. When the value is true, you can rotate the rectangle by clicking near the markers at the corners.

RotationAngle — Angle around center of rectangle

0 (default) | nonnegative numeric scalar

Angle around the center of the rectangle, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'RotationAngle' and a nonnegative numeric scalar. The angle is measured in degrees in a clockwise direction. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI. The value of RotationAngle does not impact the values in Position. The Position property represents the rectangle prior to

any rotation. When the rectangle is rotated, use the `Vertices` property to determine the location of the rotated rectangle.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Selected' and true or false. You can also set this value interactively. For example, clicking the ROI selects it and sets this value to true. Similarly, if you **Ctrl-click** the ROI, deselects it and sets this value to false.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | colorspec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SelectedColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'StripeColor' and a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. If you specify 'StripeColor', the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with ROI

character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Tag' and a character vector or string scalar. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UIContextMenu' and a `uicontextmenu` object. Specify this name-value pair to display a custom context menu when you right-click on the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'UserData' and any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of points on edge of ROI*n*-by-2 array

Locations of points on edge of the ROI, returned as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Vertices' and an *n*-by-2 array.

This property is read-only.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Visible' and one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Specify this value to display the ROI (default).
'off'	Specify this value to hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Output Arguments

h — Rectangular ROI`images.roi.Rectangle` object

Rectangular ROI, returned as an `images.roi.Rectangle` object.

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. The rectangle has vertices at each corner and at the midpoint of each side. To preserve the aspect ratio while resizing, press the Shift key. To lock the aspect ratio, use the Fix Aspect Ratio in the right-click context menu.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag the ROI.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `images.roi.Rectangle`

Topics

“Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

edge

Find edges in intensity image

Syntax

```
BW = edge(I)
BW = edge(I,method)
BW = edge(I,method,threshold)
BW = edge(I,method,threshold,direction)
BW = edge( ____, 'nothinning' )
BW = edge(I,method,threshold,sigma)
BW = edge(I,method,threshold,h)
```

```
[BW,threshOut] = edge( ____ )
[BW,threshOut,Gv,Gh] = edge( ____ )
```

Description

`BW = edge(I)` returns a binary image `BW` containing 1s where the function finds edges in the input image `I` and 0s elsewhere. By default, `edge` uses the Sobel edge detection method.

You optionally can find edges using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`BW = edge(I,method)` detects edges in image `I` using the edge-detection algorithm specified by `method`.

`BW = edge(I,method,threshold)` returns all edges that are stronger than `threshold`.

`BW = edge(I,method,threshold,direction)` specifies the orientation of edges to detect. The Sobel and Prewitt methods can detect edges in the vertical direction, horizontal direction, or both. The Roberts method can detect edges at angles of 45° from horizontal, 135° from horizontal, or both. This syntax is valid only when `method` is 'Sobel', 'Prewitt', or 'Roberts'.

`BW = edge(____, 'nothinning')` skips the edge-thinning stage, which can improve performance. This syntax is valid only when `method` is `'Sobel'`, `'Prewitt'`, or `'Roberts'`.

`BW = edge(I,method,threshold,sigma)` specifies `sigma`, the standard deviation of the filter. This syntax is valid only when `method` is `'log'` or `'Canny'`.

`BW = edge(I,method,threshold,h)` detects edges using the `'zerocross'` method with a filter, `h`, that you specify. This syntax is valid only when `method` is `'zerocross'`.

`[BW,threshOut] = edge(____)` also returns the threshold value.

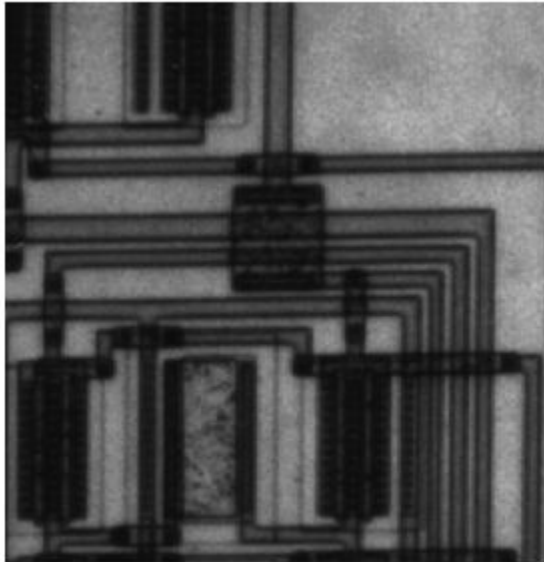
`[BW,threshOut,Gv,Gh] = edge(____)` also returns the directional gradient magnitudes. For the Sobel and Prewitt methods, `Gv` and `Gh` correspond to the vertical and horizontal gradients. For the Roberts methods, `Gv` and `Gh` correspond to the gradient at angles of 45° and 135° from horizontal, respectively. This syntax is valid only when `method` is `'Sobel'`, `'Prewitt'`, or `'Roberts'`.

Examples

Compare Edge Detection Using Canny and Prewitt Methods

Read a grayscale image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');  
imshow(I)
```



Find edges using the Canny method.

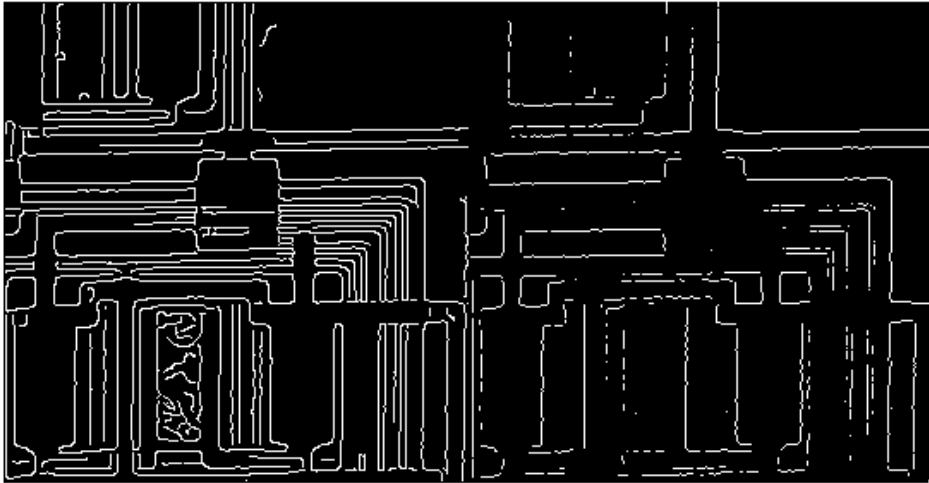
```
BW1 = edge(I, 'Canny');
```

Find edges using the Prewitt method.

```
BW2 = edge(I, 'Prewitt');
```

Display both results side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(BW1,BW2, 'montage')
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D binary image

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale image or 2-D binary image.

For the 'approxcanny' method, images of data type `single` or `double` must be normalized in the range [0 1].

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

method — Edge detection method

'Sobel' (default) | 'Prewitt' | 'Roberts' | 'log' | 'zerocross' | 'Canny' | 'approxcanny'

Edge detection method, specified as one of the following.

Method	Description
'Sobel'	Finds edges at those points where the gradient of the image I is maximum, using the Sobel approximation to the derivative.
'Prewitt'	Finds edges at those points where the gradient of I is maximum, using the Prewitt approximation to the derivative.
'Roberts'	Finds edges at those points where the gradient of I is maximum, using the Roberts approximation to the derivative.
'log'	Finds edges by looking for zero-crossings after filtering I with a Laplacian of Gaussian (LoG) filter.
'zerocross'	Finds edges by looking for zero-crossings after filtering I with a filter that you specify, h
'Canny'	Finds edges by looking for local maxima of the gradient of I. The edge function calculates the gradient using the derivative of a Gaussian filter. This method uses two thresholds to detect strong and weak edges, including weak edges in the output if they are connected to strong edges. By using two thresholds, the Canny method is less likely than the other methods to be fooled by noise, and more likely to detect true weak edges.
'approxccanny'	Finds edges using an approximate version of the Canny edge detection algorithm that provides faster execution time at the expense of less precise detection. Floating point images are expected to be normalized in the range [0 1].

Note The 'Canny' and 'approxccanny' methods are not supported on a GPU.

threshold — Sensitivity threshold

numeric scalar | 2-element vector | []

Sensitivity threshold, specified as a numeric scalar for any method, or a 2-element vector for the 'Canny' and 'approxccanny' methods. `edge` ignores all edges that are not stronger than `threshold`. For more information about this parameter, see “Algorithm” on page 1-701.

- If you do not specify `threshold`, or if you specify an empty array (`[]`), then `edge` chooses the value or values automatically.

- For the 'log' and 'zerocross' methods, if you specify the threshold value θ , then the output image has closed contours because it includes all the zero-crossings in the input image.
- The 'Canny' and 'approximate' methods use two thresholds. edge disregards all edges with edge strength below the lower threshold, and preserves all edges with edge strength above the higher threshold. You can specify threshold as a 2-element vector of the form [low high] with low and high values in the range [0 1]. You can also specify threshold as a numeric scalar, which edge assigns to the higher threshold. In this case, edge uses $\text{threshold} * 0.4$ as the lower threshold.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

direction — Direction of edges to detect

'both' (default) | 'horizontal' | 'vertical'

Direction of edges to detect, specified as 'horizontal', 'vertical', or 'both'. The direction argument is only valid when the method is 'Sobel', 'Prewitt', or 'Roberts'.

Note If you select the Roberts method, then the 'horizontal' direction actually detects edges at an angle of 135° from horizontal, and the 'vertical' direction detects edges at an angle of 45° from horizontal.

Data Types: char | string

h — Filter

matrix

Filter, specified as a matrix. The h argument is supported by the 'zerocross' method only.

Data Types: double

sigma — Standard deviation of the filter

scalar

Standard deviation of the filter, specified as a scalar. The sigma argument is supported by the 'Canny' and 'log' methods only.

Method	Description
'Canny'	Scalar value that specifies the standard deviation of the Gaussian filter. The default is <code>sqrt(2)</code> . <code>edge</code> chooses the size of the filter automatically, based on <code>sigma</code> .
'log' (Laplacian of Gaussian)	Scalar value that specifies the standard deviation of the Laplacian of Gaussian filter. The default is 2. The size of the filter is <code>n-by-n</code> , where <code>n=ceil(sigma*3)*2+1</code> .

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

BW — Output binary image

logical array

Output binary image, returned as a logical array of the same size as `I`, with 1s where the function finds edges in `I` and 0s elsewhere.

threshOut — Threshold value used in the computation

numeric scalar | 2-element vector | []

Threshold value used in the computation, returned as a 2-element vector for the 'Canny' method, an empty vector ([]) for the 'approxCanny' method, or a numeric scalar for all other edge detection methods.

Gv — Vertical gradient

numeric array | gpuArray

Vertical gradient, returned as a numeric array of the same size as `I`.

Note If you select the Roberts method, then `edge` returns the gradient calculated at an angle of 45° from horizontal.

Gh — Horizontal gradient

numeric array | gpuArray

Horizontal gradient, returned as a numeric array of the same size as `I`.

Note If you select the Roberts method, then `edge` returns the gradient calculated at an angle of 135° from horizontal.

Algorithms

- For the gradient-magnitude edge detection methods (Sobel, Prewitt, Roberts), `edge` uses `threshold` to threshold the calculated gradient magnitude.
- For the zero-crossing methods, including Laplacian of Gaussian, `edge` uses `threshold` as a threshold for the zero-crossings. In other words, a large jump across zero is an edge, while a small jump is not.
- The Canny method applies two thresholds to the gradient: a high threshold for low edge sensitivity and a low threshold for high edge sensitivity. `edge` starts with the low sensitivity result and then grows it to include connected edge pixels from the high sensitivity result. This helps fill in gaps in the detected edges.
- In all cases, `edge` chooses the default threshold heuristically, depending on the input data. The best way to vary the threshold is to run `edge` once, capturing the calculated threshold as the second output argument. Then, starting from the value calculated by `edge`, adjust the threshold higher to detect fewer edge pixels, or lower to detect more edge pixels.

Compatibility Considerations

edge Uses New Algorithm for Canny Method

Behavior changed in R2011a

The function `edge` changed in Version 7.2 (R2011a). Previous versions of the Image Processing Toolbox used a different algorithm for the Canny method. If you need the same results produced by the previous implementation, use the following syntax: `BW = edge(I, 'canny_old', ___)`

References

- [1] Canny, John, "A Computational Approach to Edge Detection," *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*, Vol. PAMI-8, No. 6, 1986, pp. 679-698.

[2] Lim, Jae S., *Two-Dimensional Signal and Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1990, pp. 478-488.

[3] Parker, James R., *Algorithms for Image Processing and Computer Vision*, New York, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1997, pp. 23-29.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `edge` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `edge` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The `method`, `direction`, and `sigma` arguments must be compile-time constants.
- Nonprogrammatic syntaxes are not supported. For example, if you do not specify a return value, then `edge` displays an image. This syntax is not supported with code generation.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- The `'Canny'` and `'approxCanny'` methods are not supported on a GPU.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`fspecial` | `imgradient` | `imgradientxy`

Introduced before R2006a

edge3

Find edges in 3-D intensity volume

Syntax

```
BW = edge3(V,'aproxcanny',thresh)
BW = edge3(V,'aproxcanny',thresh,sigma)
BW = edge3(V,'Sobel',thresh)
BW = edge3(V,'Sobel',thresh,'nothinning')
```

Description

`BW = edge3(V, 'aproxcanny', thresh)` returns the edges found in the intensity or a binary volume `V` using the approximate Canny method. The approximate Canny method finds edges by looking for local maxima of the gradient of `V`. `edge3` calculates the gradient using the derivative of a Gaussian smoothed volume.

For the approximate Canny method, `thresh` is a two-element vector in which the first element is the low threshold, and the second element is the high threshold, [`lowthresh highthresh`]. If you specify a scalar for `thresh`, `edge3` uses this value for the high threshold and $0.4 * \text{thresh}$ for the low threshold.

The approximate Canny method uses two thresholds to detect strong and weak edges, and includes the weak edges in the output only if they are connected to strong edges. This method is more likely than the Sobel method to detect true weak edges.

`BW = edge3(V, 'aproxcanny', thresh, sigma)` returns the edges found in the intensity or binary volume `V`, where `sigma` is a scalar that specifies the standard deviation of the Gaussian smoothing filter. `sigma` can also be a 1-by-3 vector, [`SigmaX, SigmaY, SigmaZ`], specifying different standard deviations in each direction. For anisotropic volumes that have different scales in each direction, use multiple `sigma` values. By default, `sigma` is `sqrt(2)` and is isotropic. `edge3` chooses the size of the filter automatically, based on `sigma`.

`BW = edge3(V, 'Sobel', thresh)` accepts an intensity or a binary volume `V` and returns a binary volume `BW`, that is the same size as `V`, with 1s where the function finds edges in `V` and 0s elsewhere.

The Sobel method finds edges using the Sobel approximation to the derivative. It returns edges at those points where the gradient of `V` is maximum.

`thresh` is a scalar that specifies the sensitivity threshold for the Sobel method. `edge3` ignores all edges that are not stronger than `thresh`.

`BW = edge3(V, 'Sobel', thresh, 'nothinning')` speeds up the operation of the algorithm by skipping the additional edge-thinning stage. By default, or when `'thinning'` is specified, the algorithm applies edge thinning.

Examples

Detect Edges of MRI Volume Using Approximate Canny Method

Load volumetric data and remove any singleton dimensions.

```
load mri
V = squeeze(D);
```

View the volume using `volshow`.

```
volshow(V);
```

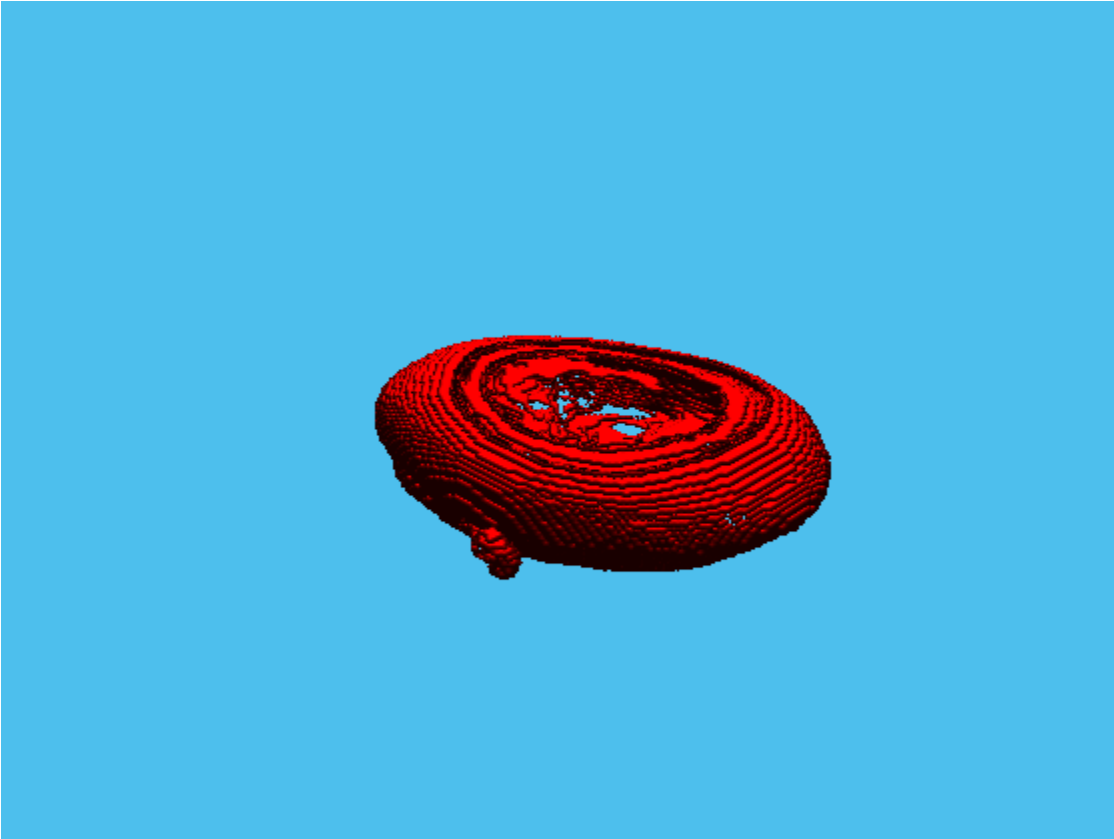


Detect edges in the volume using `edge3` with the approximate Canny method.

```
BW = edge3(V, 'approxcanny', 0.6);
```

View the detected edges using `volshow`.

```
volshow(BW);
```

Input Arguments

V — Input volume

nonsparse 3-D numeric array

Input volume, specified as a nonsparse 3-D numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

thresh — Sensitivity threshold

scalar | 1-by-2 numeric vector

Sensitivity threshold, specified as a scalar or, for approximate Canny, a 1-by-2 numeric vector of the form [`lowthresh highthresh`]. If you specify a scalar, `edge3` uses this value for the high threshold and `0.4*thresh` for the low threshold.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

sigma — Standard deviation of the Gaussian filter

scalar | 1-by-3 numeric vector

Standard deviation of the Gaussian filter, specified as a scalar or a 1-by-3 numeric vector of the form [`SigmaX SigmaY SigmaZ`].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

BW — Binary volume containing 1s indicating edges and 0s elsewhere

3-D numeric array

Binary volume containing 1s indicating edges and 0s elsewhere, returned as a 3-D numeric array, the same size as `V`.

See Also

`edge`

Introduced in R2017b

edgetaper

Taper discontinuities along image edges

Syntax

```
J = edgetaper(I,PSF)
```

Description

`J = edgetaper(I,PSF)` blurs the edges of the input image `I` using the point spread function `PSF`.

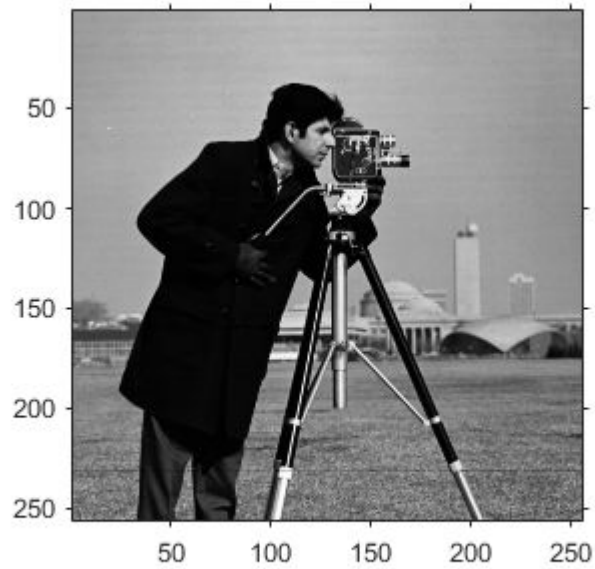
The output image `J` is the weighted sum of the original image `I` and its blurred version. The weighting array, determined by the autocorrelation function of `PSF`, makes `J` equal to `I` in its central region, and equal to the blurred version of `I` near the edges.

The `edgetaper` function reduces the ringing effect in image deblurring methods that use the discrete Fourier transform, such as `deconvwnr`, `deconvreg`, and `deconvlucy`.

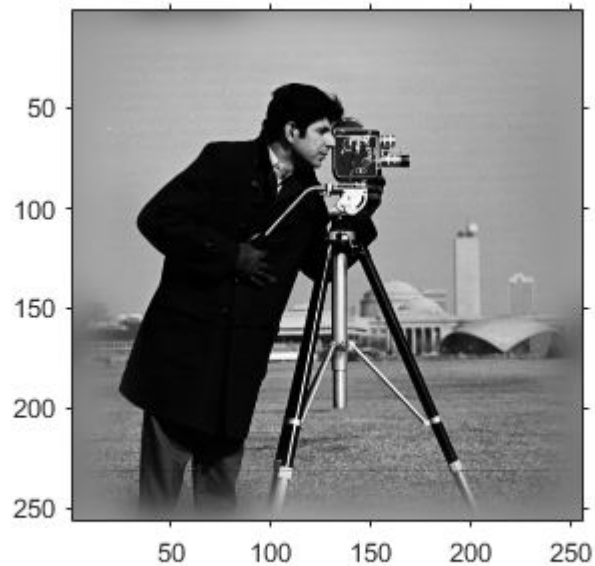
Examples

Blur the Edges of an Image

```
original = imread('cameraman.tif');  
PSF = fspecial('gaussian',60,10);  
edgesTapered = edgetaper(original,PSF);  
figure, imshow(original,[]);
```



```
figure, imshow(edgesTapered,[]);
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array

Input image, specified as a numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

PSF — Point spread function

numeric array

Point spread function, specified as a numeric array. The size of the PSF cannot exceed half of the image size in any dimension.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

J — Weighted sum of original image and its blurred version

numeric array

Weighted sum of original image and its blurred version, returned as a numeric array the same size and class as I. The weighting array, determined by the autocorrelation function of PSF, makes J equal to I in its central region, and equal to the blurred version of I near the edges.

See Also

[deconvlucy](#) | [deconvreg](#) | [deconvwnr](#) | [otf2psf](#) | [padarray](#) | [psf2otf](#)

Introduced before R2006a

entropy

Entropy of grayscale image

Syntax

```
e = entropy(I)
```

Description

`e = entropy(I)` returns `e`, a scalar value representing the entropy of grayscale image `I`.

Examples

Calculate Entropy of Grayscale Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');
```

Calculate the entropy.

```
J = entropy(I)
```

```
J = 6.9439
```

Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

real, nonsparse numeric array

Grayscale image, specified as a real, nonsparse numeric array. `I` can have any dimension. If `I` has more than two dimensions, `entropyfilt` treats it as a multidimensional grayscale image and not as a truecolor (RGB) image.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

Output Arguments

e — Entropy

numeric scalar

Entropy of image `I`, returned as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

Definitions

Entropy

Entropy is a statistical measure of randomness that can be used to characterize the texture of the input image.

Entropy is defined as $-\sum(p \cdot \log_2(p))$, where `p` contains the normalized histogram counts returned from `imhist`.

Tips

- By default, `entropy` uses two bins for logical arrays and 256 bins for `uint8`, `uint16`, or `double` arrays. `entropy` converts any class other than `logical` to `uint8` for the histogram count calculation so that the pixel values are discrete and directly correspond to a bin value.

References

- [1] Gonzalez, R.C., R.E. Woods, S.L. Eddins, *Digital Image Processing Using MATLAB*, New Jersey, Prentice Hall, 2003, Chapter 11.

See Also

entropyfilt | imhist

Introduced before R2006a

entropyfilt

Local entropy of grayscale image

Syntax

```
J = entropyfilt(I)
J = entropyfilt(I, nhood)
```

Description

`J = entropyfilt(I)` returns the array `J`, where each output pixel contains the entropy value of the 9-by-9 neighborhood around the corresponding pixel in the input image `I`.

For pixels on the borders of `I`, `entropyfilt` uses symmetric padding. In symmetric padding, the values of padding pixels are a mirror reflection of the border pixels in `I`.

`J = entropyfilt(I, nhood)` performs entropy filtering of the input image `I` where you specify the neighborhood in `nhood`. `nhood` is a multidimensional array of zeros and ones where the nonzero elements specify the neighbors.

Examples

Perform Entropy Filtering

This example shows how to perform entropy filtering using `entropyfilt`. Brighter pixels in the filtered image correspond to neighborhoods in the original image with higher entropy.

Read an image into the workspace.

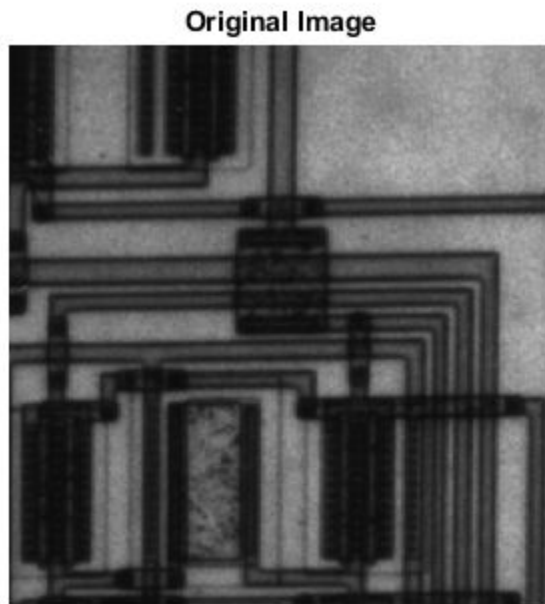
```
I = imread('circuit.tif');
```

Perform entropy filtering using `entropyfilt`.

```
J = entropyfilt(I);
```

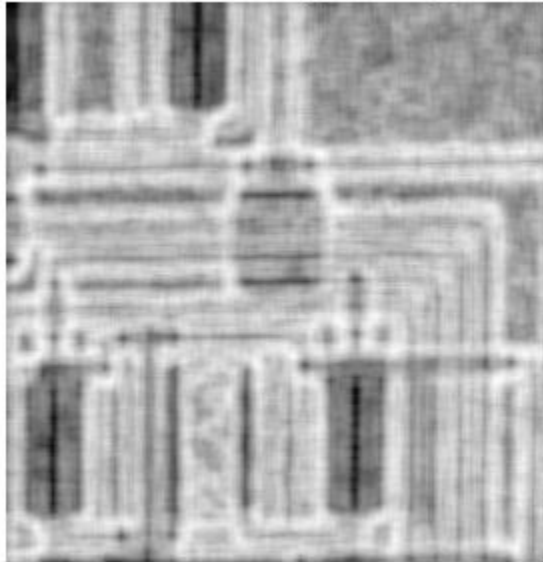
Show the original image and the processed image.

```
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```



```
figure  
imshow(J,[])  
title('Result of Entropy Filtering')
```

Result of Entropy Filtering



Input Arguments

I — Image to be filtered

real, nonsparse numeric array

Image to be filtered, specified as a real, nonsparse numeric array. I can have any dimension. If I has more than two dimensions, `entropyfilt` treats it as a multidimensional grayscale image and not as a truecolor (RGB) image.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

nhood — Neighborhood

`true(9)` (default) | multidimensional, logical or numeric array containing zeros and ones

Neighborhood, specified as a multidimensional, logical or numeric array containing zeros and ones. The size of nhood must be odd in each dimension.

By default, `entropyfilt` uses the neighborhood `true(9)`. `entropyfilt` determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(NHOOD) + 1)/2)`.

To specify neighborhoods of other shapes, such as a disk, use the `strel` function to create a structuring element object of the desired shape. Then, extract the neighborhood from the structuring element object's `neighborhood` property.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array the same size as the input image and of class `double`.

Algorithms

`entropyfilt` converts any class other than `logical` to `uint8` for the histogram count calculation so that the pixel values are discrete and directly correspond to a bin value.

References

- [1] Gonzalez, R.C., R.E. Woods, S.L. Eddins, *Digital Image Processing Using MATLAB*, New Jersey, Prentice Hall, 2003, Chapter 11.

See Also

`entropy` | `imhist` | `rangefilt` | `stdfilt`

Topics

“What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?”

Introduced before R2006a

esfrChart

Imatest® edge spatial frequency response (eSFR) test chart

Description

An `esfrChart` object stores the positions and measurements of regions of interest of the Enhanced Imatest® edge spatial frequency response (eSFR) test chart.

The Enhanced eSFR test chart is an extended version of the ISO 12233:2014 standard test chart [2].

Creation

Syntax

```
chart = esfrChart(A)
chart = esfrChart(A, 'Sensitivity', s)
chart = esfrChart(A, 'RegistrationPoints', p)
```

Description

`chart = esfrChart(A)` creates an `esfrChart` object and sets the `Image` property from input image `A`.

`chart = esfrChart(A, 'Sensitivity', s)` creates an `esfrChart` object, using sensitivity `s` during chart import.

`chart = esfrChart(A, 'RegistrationPoints', p)` creates an `esfrChart` object and sets the `RegistrationPoints` property from points in argument `p`.

Input Arguments

s — Sensitivity

0.5 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]

Sensitivity of chart detection, specified as a numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]. If you set a high sensitivity value, the `esfrChart` model detects more points of interest with which to register the test chart image.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Properties

Image — Test chart image

m-by-n-by-3 RGB image

Test chart image, specified as an *m-by-n-by-3* RGB image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

SlantedEdgeROIs — Position and intensity values of slanted edges

60-by-1 vector of structures

Position and intensity values of slanted edges, specified as a 60-by-1 vector of structures. Each element in the vector corresponds to one ROI and contains the following fields:

Field	Description
ROI	A 1-by-4 vector specifying the spatial extent of the ROI. The vector has the form [X Y Width Height]. X and Y are the coordinates of the top-left corner of the ROI. Width and Height are the width and height of the ROI, in pixels. ROI is of data type <code>double</code> .
ROIIntensity	Array of intensity values within the ROI, in RGB format. The array has dimensions Height-by-Width-by-3. The data type of ROIIntensity matches the data type of the Image on page 1-0 property.

GrayROIs — Position and intensity values of gray patches

20-by-1 vector of structures

Position and intensity values of gray patches, specified as a 20-by-1 vector of structures. Each element in the vector corresponds to one ROI and contains the following fields:

Field	Description
ROI	A 1-by-4 vector specifying the spatial extent of the ROI. The vector has the form [X Y Width Height]. X and Y are the coordinates of the top-left corner of the ROI. Width and Height are the width and height of the ROI, in pixels. ROI is of data type double.
ROIIntensity	Array of intensity values within the ROI, in RGB format. The array has dimensions Height-by-Width-by-3. The data type of ROIIntensity matches the data type of the Image on page 1-0 property.

ColorROIs — Position and intensity values of color patches

16-by-1 vector of structures

Position and intensity values of color patches, specified as a 16-by-1 vector of structures. Each element in the vector corresponds to one ROI and contains the following fields:

Field	Description
ROI	A 1-by-4 vector specifying the spatial extent of the ROI. The vector has the form [X Y Width Height]. X and Y are the coordinates of the top-left corner of the ROI. Width and Height are the width and height of the ROI, in pixels. ROI is of data type double.
ROIIntensity	Array of intensity values within the ROI, in RGB format. The array has dimensions Height-by-Width-by-3. The data type of ROIIntensity matches the data type of the Image on page 1-0 property.

RegistrationPoints — Position of registration points

4-by-2 numeric matrix

Position of registration points used to orient the image, specified as a 4-by-2 numeric matrix. The four rows correspond to the top-left, top-right, bottom-right, and bottom-left registration points, respectively. The two columns represent pixel coordinates in [x, y] format.

Data Types: double

ReferenceGrayLab — Reference values of gray ROIs

20-by-3 numeric matrix

Reference values of gray ROIs in the CIE 1976 L*a*b* color space, specified as a 20-by-3 numeric matrix. The three columns contain the L*, a*, and b* values of the gray patches, respectively. The rows contain the reference intensities of the 20 gray ROIs, in the same sequential order.

Note The `esfrChart` object includes default CIE 1976 L*a*b* values for the gray ROIs. However, the actual reference values can vary depending on several factors, such as print quality.

Data Types: double

ReferenceColorLab — Reference values of color ROIs

16-by-3 numeric matrix

Reference values of color ROIs in the CIE 1976 L*a*b* color space, specified as a 16-by-3 numeric matrix. The three columns contain the L*, a*, and b* values of the color patches, respectively. The rows contain the reference intensities of the 16 color ROIs, in the same sequential order.

Note The `esfrChart` object includes default CIE 1976 L*a*b* values for the color ROIs. However, the actual reference values can vary depending on several factors, such as print quality. Accurate reference color values result in more faithful color reproduction measurements.

Data Types: double

Object Functions

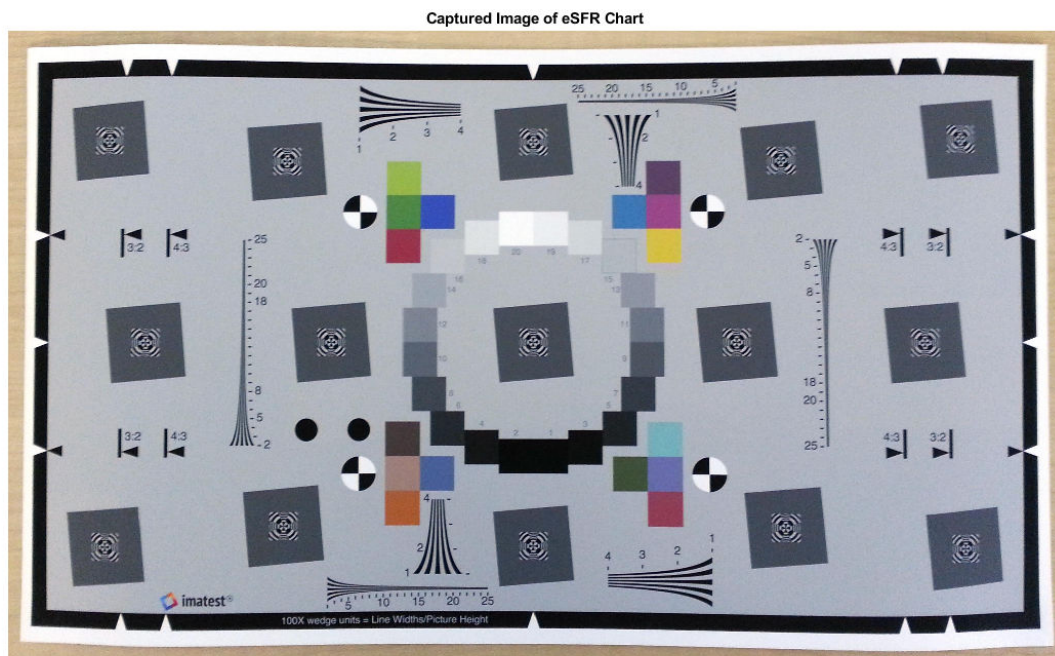
<code>measureSharpness</code>	Measure spatial frequency response using <code>Imatest® eSFR chart</code>
<code>measureChromaticAberration</code>	Measure chromatic aberration at slanted edges using <code>Imatest® eSFR chart</code>
<code>measureNoise</code>	Measure noise using <code>Imatest® eSFR chart</code>
<code>measureColor</code>	Measure color reproduction using <code>Imatest® eSFR chart</code>
<code>measureIlluminant</code>	Measure scene illuminant using <code>Imatest® eSFR chart</code>
<code>displayChart</code>	Display <code>Imatest® eSFR chart</code> with overlaid regions of interest

Examples

Create an eSFR Chart Object from a Test Image

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace. Display the image.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
figure
imshow(I)
title('Captured Image of eSFR Chart')
text(size(I,2),size(I,1)+15, ...
      ['Chart courtesy of Imatest'], 'FontSize', 10, 'HorizontalAlignment', 'right')
```



Linearize the image. The displayed chart will appear darker because the image no longer has gamma correction.

```
I_lin = rgb2lin(I);
```

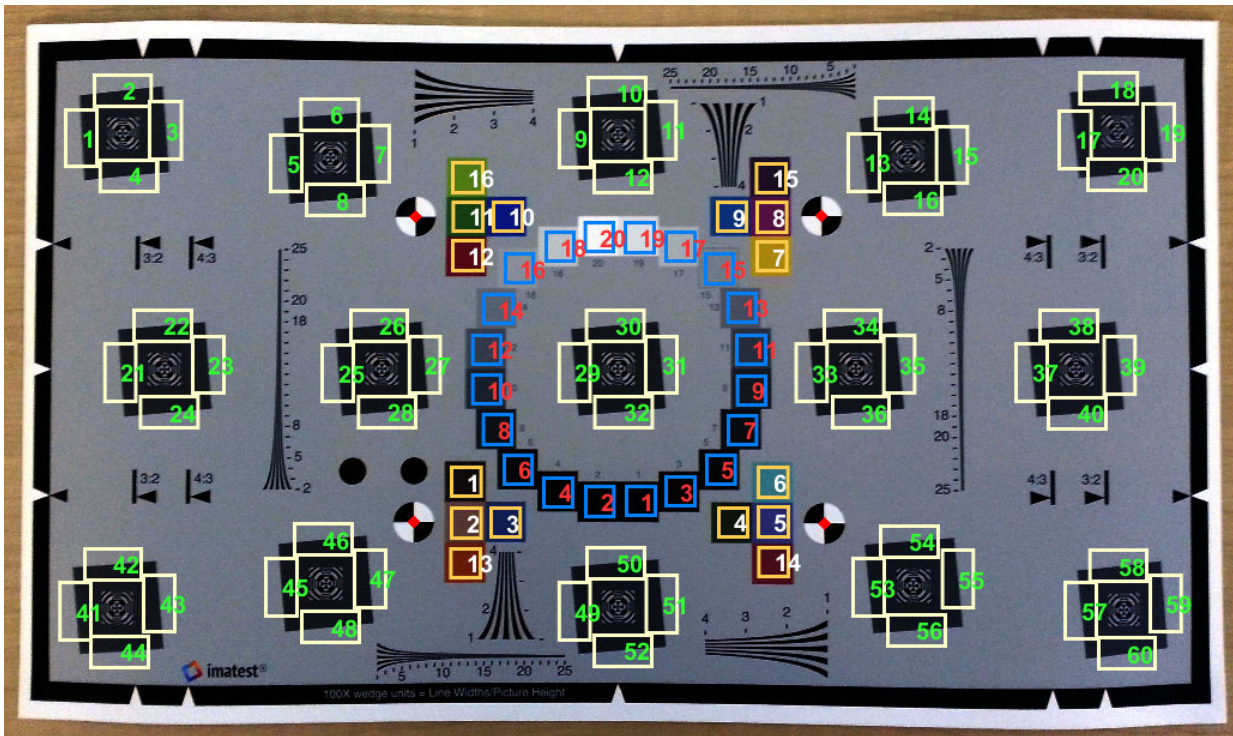
Create an `esfrChart` object using the linearized chart image. Specify the sensitivity that the `esfrChart` model uses to detect the points with which to register the chart image.

```
chart = esfrChart(I_lin, 'Sensitivity', 0.6)
```

```
chart =  
  esfrChart with properties:  
  
      Image: [1836x3084x3 uint8]  
  SlantedEdgeROIs: [60x1 struct]  
      GrayROIs: [20x1 struct]  
      ColorROIs: [16x1 struct]  
RegistrationPoints: [4x2 double]  
ReferenceGrayLab: [20x3 double]  
ReferenceColorLab: [16x3 double]
```

Display the imported eSFR chart. Regions of interest (ROI) are highlighted and labeled.

```
displayChart(chart)
```



The chart is imported correctly. All 60 slanted edge ROIs (labeled with green numbers) are visible and centered on appropriate edges. 20 gray patch ROIs (labeled in red) and 16 color patch ROIs (labeled in white) are visible and are contained within the boundary of each patch.

Create esFR Chart Object Using Specified Registration Points

Create an `esfrChart` object by specifying the coordinates of the four registration points. Registration points are located at the center of the black-and-white checkered circles.

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Display the image and configure it to collect four registration points.

```
figure
imshow(I)
[X, Y] = ginput(4);
```

Click the registration points in this order: top-left, top-right, bottom-right, bottom-left.

Create an `esfrChart` object, specifying the four registration points. Display the imported eSFR chart. Regions of interest are highlighted and labeled. The registration points appear in red.

```
chart = esfrChart(I, 'RegistrationPoints', [X, Y]);
displayChart(chart);
```

Tips

- For accurate and reliable results, acquire an image of the test chart according to standard specifications outlined in the ISO standard and by the manufacturer [1] [2]. As a simple guideline, align the chart horizontally on a light background. Cover over 90% of the field of view with the chart, but ensure that the top and bottom edges of the chart are still visible. For reliable measurements, set the minimum image width to at least 500 pixels.
- You can capture an image of the eSFR test chart at the full 16:9 aspect ratio, or at an aspect ratio of 3:2 or 4:3, as specified on the chart.
- To ensure that the chart is properly imported, visually verify the test chart image using the `displayChart` function.

References

[1] ISO 12233:2014. "Photography - Electronic still picture imaging - Resolution and spatial frequency responses." *International Organization for Standardization; ISO/TC 42 Photography*. URL: <https://www.iso.org/standard/59419.html>.

[2] *Using eSFR ISO Part 1*. URL: https://www.imatest.com/docs/esfriso_instructions.

See Also

`displayColorPatch` | `plotChromaticity` | `plotSFR`

Topics

“Anatomy of an eSFR Chart”

“Evaluate Quality Metrics on eSFR Test Chart”

Introduced in R2017b

fan2para

Convert fan-beam projections to parallel-beam

Syntax

```
P = fan2para(F,D)
P = fan2para(F,D,Name,Value)
[P,parallel_sensor_positions,parallel_rotation_angles] = fan2para(
___)
```

Description

`P = fan2para(F,D)` converts the fan-beam data `F` to the parallel-beam data `P`. Each column of `F` contains the fan-beam data at one rotation angle. `D` is the distance from the fan-beam vertex to the center of rotation.

`P = fan2para(F,D,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control aspects of the data conversion. Argument names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

`[P,parallel_sensor_positions,parallel_rotation_angles] = fan2para(___)` returns the parallel-beam sensor locations in `parallel_sensor_positions` and rotation angles in `parallel_rotation_angles`.

Examples

Recover Parallel-beam Data from Fan-beam Data

Create synthetic parallel-beam data.

```
ph = phantom(128);
```

Calculate the parallel beam transform and display it.

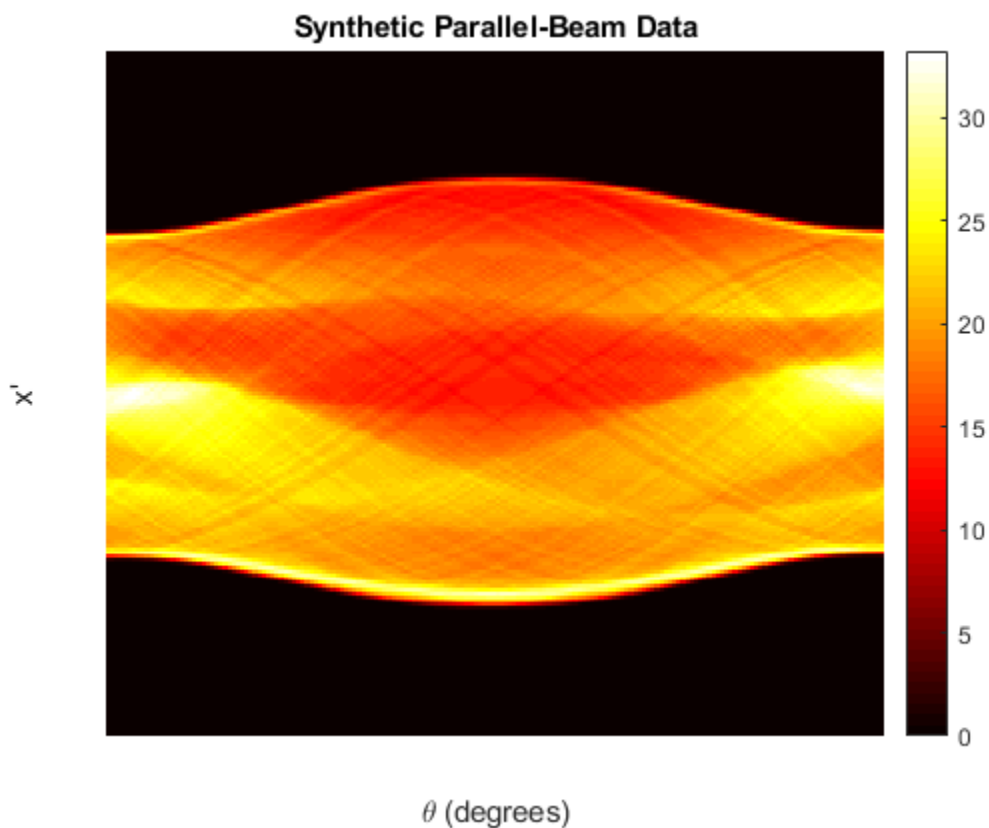
```
theta = 0:179;
[Psynthetic,xp] = radon(ph,theta);
```



```

imshow(Psynthetic,[],...
       'XData',theta,'YData',xp,'InitialMagnification','fit')
axis normal
title('Synthetic Parallel-Beam Data')
xlabel('\theta (degrees)')
ylabel('x''')
colormap(gca,hot), colorbar

```



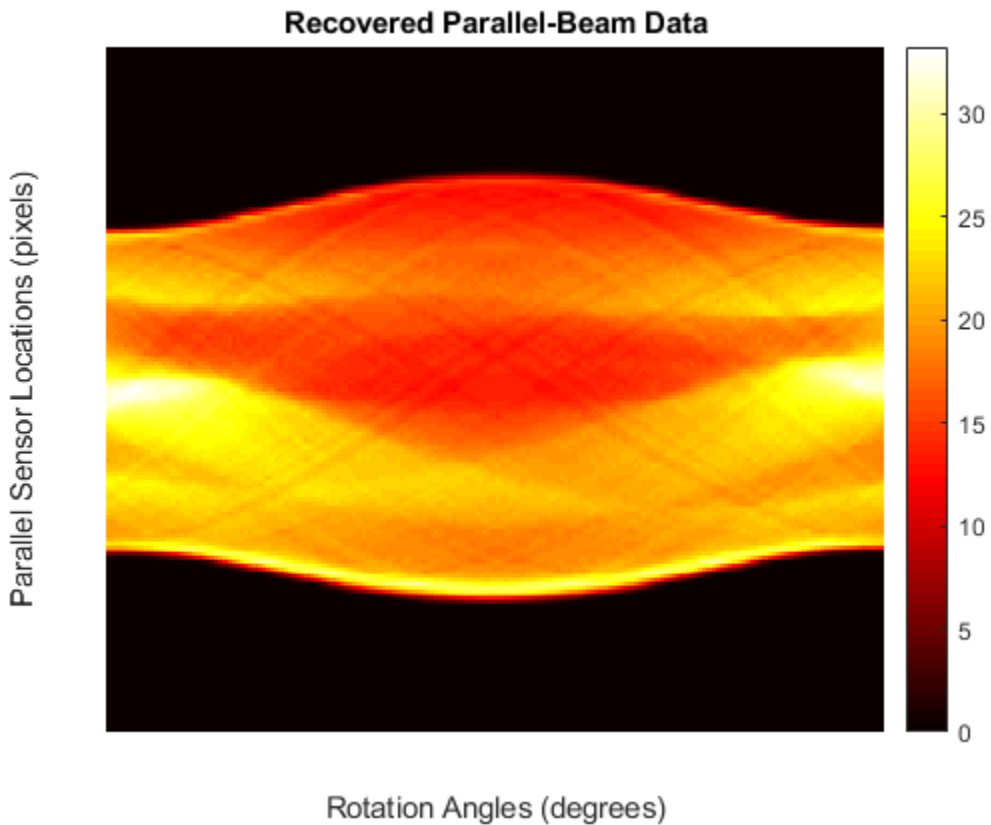
Convert the parallel-beam data to fan-beam.

```
Fsynthetic = para2fan(Psynthetic,100,'FanSensorSpacing',1);
```

Recover original parallel-beam data.

```
[Precovered,Ploc,Pangles] = fan2para(Fsynthetic,100,...
                                     'FanSensorSpacing',1,...
                                     'ParallelSensorSpacing',1);

figure
imshow(Precovered,[],...
        'XData',Pangles,'YData',Ploc,'InitialMagnification','fit')
axis normal
title('Recovered Parallel-Beam Data')
xlabel('Rotation Angles (degrees)')
ylabel('Parallel Sensor Locations (pixels)')
colormap(gca,hot), colorbar
```



Input Arguments

F — Fan-beam projection data

numeric matrix

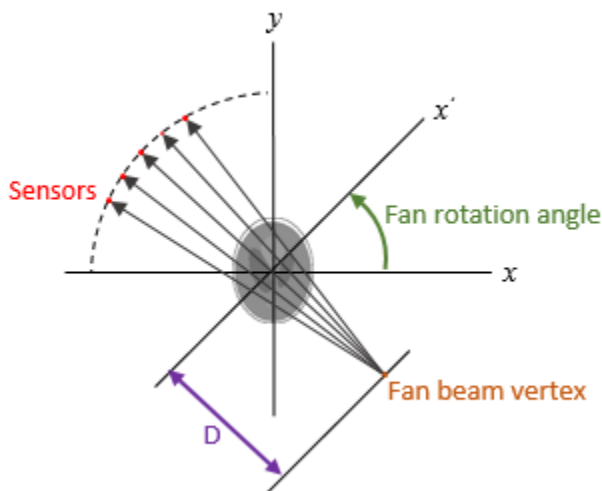
Fan-beam projection data, specified as a numeric matrix. Each column of F contains the fan-beam data at one rotation angle. The number of columns indicates the number of fan-beam rotation angles and the number of rows indicates the number of fan-beam sensors.

Data Types: double | single

D — Distance from fan beam vertex to center of rotation

positive number

Distance in pixels from the fan beam vertex to the center of rotation, specified as a positive number. `fan2para` assumes that the center of rotation is the center point of the projections, which is defined as `ceil(size(F,1)/2)`. The figure illustrates D in relation to the fan-beam vertex for one fan-beam projection.



Data Types: double | single

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `P = fan2para(F,D,'FanRotationIncrement',5)`

FanCoverage — Range of fan-beam rotation

`'cycle'` (default) | `'minimal'`

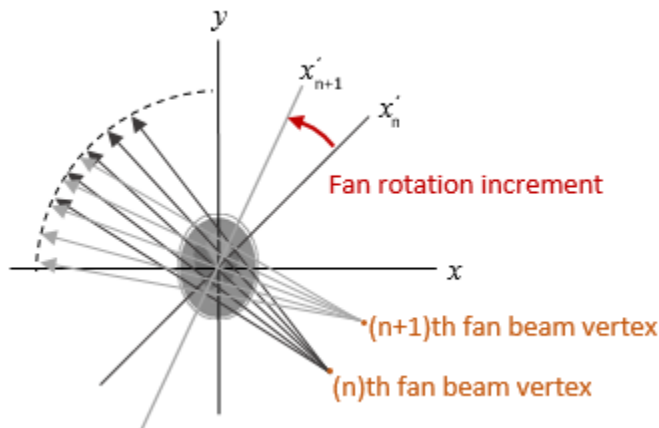
Range of fan-beam rotation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'FanCoverage'` and one of these values.

- `'cycle'` — Rotate through the full range [0, 360) degrees.
- `'minimal'` — Rotate through the minimum range necessary to represent the object.

FanRotationIncrement — Fan-beam rotation angle increment

1 (default) | positive scalar

Fan-beam rotation angle increment in degrees, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'FanRotationIncrement'` and a positive scalar.

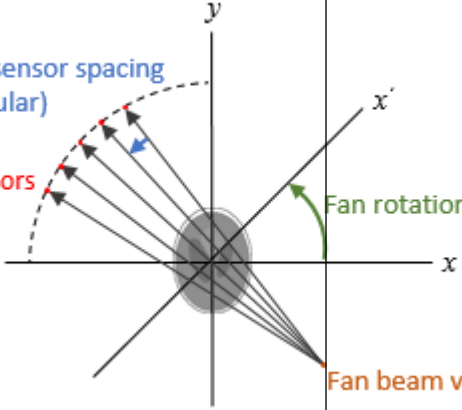


Data Types: double

FanSensorGeometry — Fan-beam sensor positioning

'arc' (default) | 'line'

Fan-beam sensor positioning, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanSensorGeometry' and one of the following values.

Value	Meaning	Diagram
'arc'	<p>Sensors are spaced at equal angles along a circular arc at distance D from the center of rotation.</p> <p>FanSensorSpacing defines the angular spacing in degrees.</p>	

Value	Meaning	Diagram
'line'	<p>Sensors are spaced at equal distances along a line that is parallel to the x' axis. The closest sensor is distance D from the center of rotation.</p> <p>FanSensorSpacing defines the distance between fan-beams on the x' axis, in pixels.</p>	

FanSensorSpacing — Fan-bean sensor spacing

1 (default) | positive scalar

Fan-bean sensor spacing, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanSensorSpacing' and a positive scalar.

- If FanSensorGeometry is 'arc', then FanSensorSpacing defines the angular spacing in degrees.
- If FanSensorGeometry is 'line', then FanSensorSpacing defines the linear distance between fan-beams, in pixels. Linear spacing is measured on the x' axis.

Data Types: double

Interpolation — Type of interpolation

'Linear' (default) | 'nearest' | 'spline' | 'pchip'

Type of interpolation used between the parallel-beam and fan-beam data, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Interpolation' and one of these values.

'nearest' — Nearest-neighbor

'linear' — Linear (the default)

'spline' — Piecewise cubic spline

'pchip' — Piecewise cubic Hermite (PCHIP)

ParallelCoverage — Range of parallel-beam rotation

'halfcycle' (default) | 'cycle'

Range of parallel-beam rotation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ParallelCoverage' and one of these values.

- 'cycle' — Parallel data covers the full range of [0, 360) degrees.
- 'halfcycle' — Parallel data covers [0, 180) degrees.

ParallelRotationIncrement — Parallel-beam rotation angle increment

positive scalar

Parallel-beam rotation angle increment in degrees, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ParallelRotationIncrement' and a positive scalar k such that $180/k$ is an integer. If you do not specify ParallelRotationIncrement, then the default value is equal to FanRotationIncrement.

Data Types: double

ParallelSensorSpacing — Parallel-beam sensor spacing

positive scalar

Parallel-beam sensor spacing in pixels, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ParallelSensorSpacing' and a positive scalar. The range of parallel-beam sensor locations is computed from the range of fan angles, *fanangles*, according to: $[D*\sin(\min(\text{fanangles})) \ D*\sin(\max(\text{fanangles}))]$.

If you do not specify ParallelSensorSpacing, then the spacing is assumed to be uniform and is set to the minimum spacing implied by the fan angles and sampled over the range implied by the fan angles.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

P — Parallel-beam projection data

numeric matrix

Parallel-beam projection data, returned as a numeric matrix. Each column of **P** contains the parallel-beam data at one rotation angle. The number of columns indicates the total number of parallel-beam rotation angles and is equal to the length of `parallel_rotation_angles`. The number of rows indicates the total number of parallel-beam sensors and is equal to the length of `parallel_sensor_positions`.

Data Types: double

parallel_sensor_positions — Parallel-beam sensor locations

numeric column vector

Parallel-beam sensor locations, returned as a numeric column vector.

Data Types: double

parallel_rotation_angles — Parallel-beam rotation angles

numeric row vector

Parallel-beam rotation angles, returned as a numeric row vector.

Data Types: double

See Also

`fanbeam` | `ifanbeam` | `iradon` | `para2fan` | `phantom` | `radon`

Introduced before R2006a

fanbeam

Fan-beam transform

Syntax

```
F = fanbeam(I,D)
F = fanbeam(I,D,Name,Value)
[F,fan_sensor_positions,fan_rotation_angles] = fanbeam( ___ )
```

Description

`F = fanbeam(I,D)` computes the fan-beam projection data (sinogram) `F` from the image `I`. Each column of `F` contains fan-beam projection data at one rotation angle. `D` is the distance from the fan-beam vertex to the center of rotation.

`F = fanbeam(I,D,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to specify the rotation increment and sensor spacing. Argument names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

`[F,fan_sensor_positions,fan_rotation_angles] = fanbeam(___)` returns the location of fan-beam sensors in `fan_sensor_positions` and the rotation angles where the fan-beam projections are calculated in `fan_rotation_angles`.

Examples

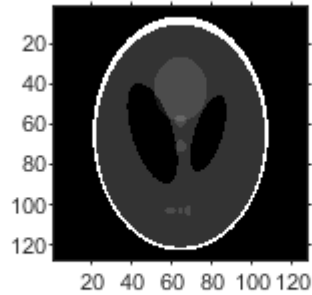
Compute Fan-beam Projections for Rotation Angles Over Entire Image

Set the IPT preference to make the axes visible.

```
iptsetpref('ImshowAxesVisible','on')
```

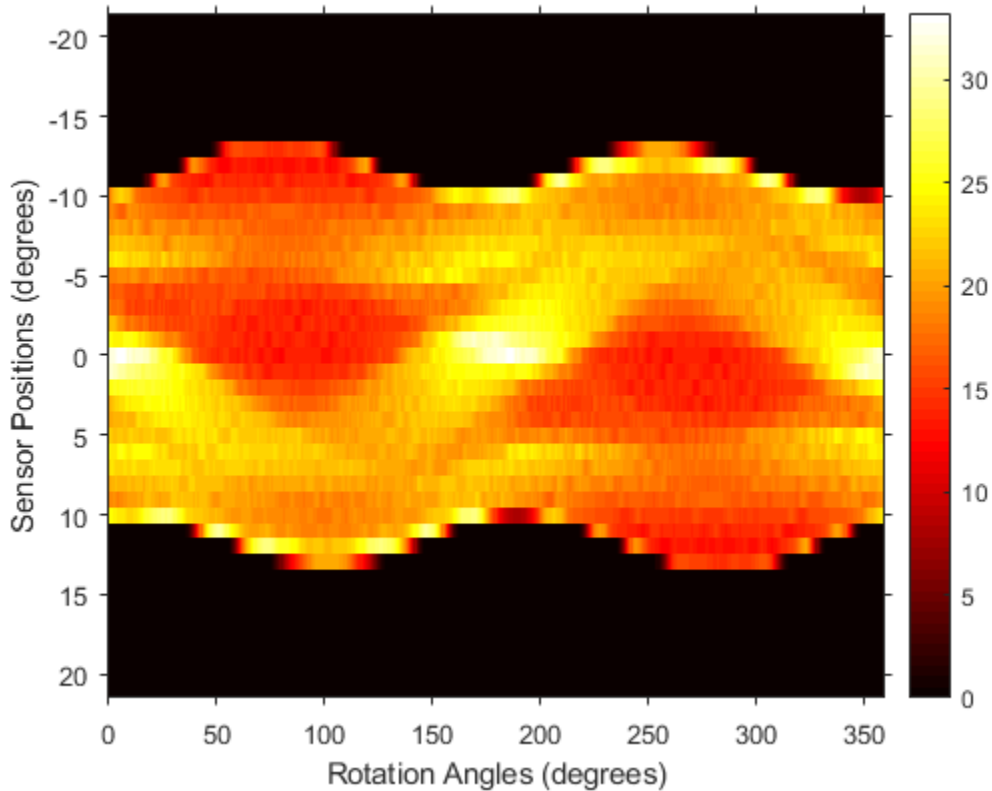
Create a sample image and display it.

```
ph = phantom(128);
imshow(ph)
```



Calculate the fanbeam projections and display them.

```
[F,Fpos,Fangles] = fanbeam(ph,250);  
figure  
imshow(F,[], 'XData',Fangles,'YData',Fpos,...  
        'InitialMagnification','fit')  
axis normal  
xlabel('Rotation Angles (degrees)')  
ylabel('Sensor Positions (degrees)')  
colormap(gca,hot), colorbar
```



Compute Radon and Fan-beam Projections and Compare Results

Compute fan-beam projections for 'arc' geometry.

```
I = ones(100);
D = 200;
dtheta = 45;
[Farc,FposArcDeg,Fangles] = fanbeam(I,D,...
    'FanSensorGeometry','arc',...
    'FanRotationIncrement',dtheta);
```

Convert angular positions to linear distance along x-prime axis.

```
FposArc = D*tan(FposArcDeg*pi/180);
```

Compute fan-beam projections for 'line' geometry.

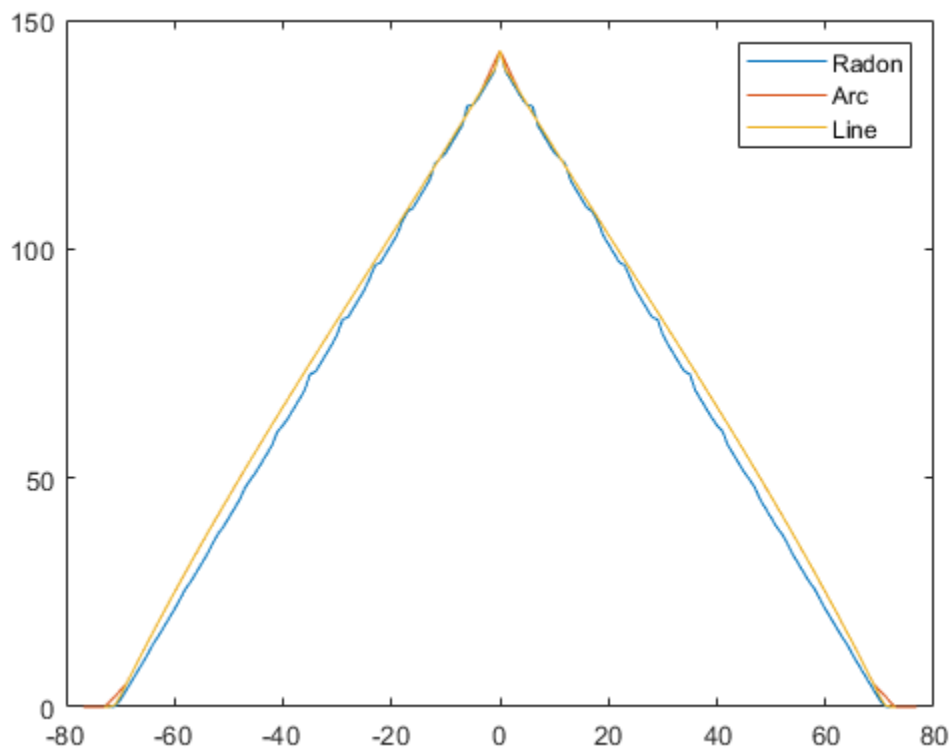
```
[Fline,FposLine] = fanbeam(I,D,...  
    'FanSensorGeometry','line',...  
    'FanRotationIncrement',dtheta);
```

Compute the corresponding Radon transform.

```
[R,Rpos]=radon(I,Fangles);
```

Display the three projections at one particular rotation angle. Note the three are very similar. Differences are due to the geometry of the sampling, and the numerical approximations used in the calculations.

```
figure  
idx = find(Fangles==45);  
plot(Rpos,R(:,idx),...  
    FposArc,Farc(:,idx),...  
    FposLine,Fline(:,idx))  
legend('Radon','Arc','Line')
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix

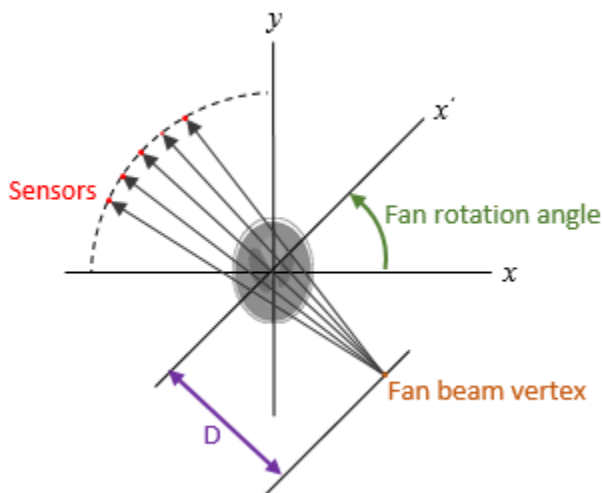
Input image, specified as a 2-D numeric or logical matrix.

D — Distance from fan beam vertex to center of rotation

positive number

Distance in pixels from the fan beam vertex to the center of rotation, specified as a positive number. The center of rotation is the center pixel of the image, defined as

$\text{floor}((\text{size}(I)+1)/2)$. D must be large enough to ensure that the fan-beam vertex is outside of the image at all rotation angles. See “Tips” on page 1-747 for guidelines on specifying D . The figure illustrates D in relation to the fan-beam vertex for one fan-beam geometry.



Name-Value Pair Arguments

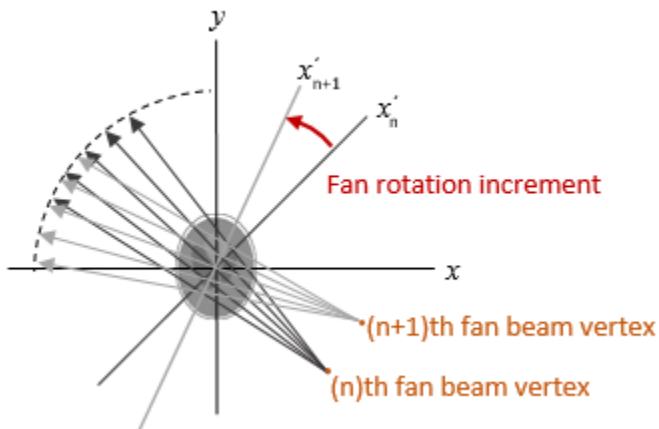
Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `F = fanbeam(I,D,'FanRotationIncrement',5)`

FanRotationIncrement — Fan-beam rotation angle increment

1 (default) | positive scalar

Fan-beam rotation angle increment in degrees, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'FanRotationIncrement'` and a positive scalar.



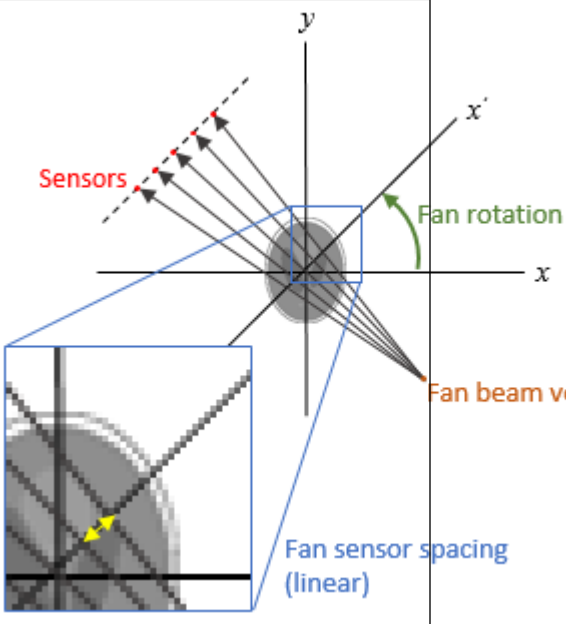
Data Types: double

FanSensorGeometry — Fan-beam sensor positioning

'arc' (default) | 'line'

Fan-beam sensor positioning, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanSensorGeometry' and one of the following values.

Value	Meaning	Diagram
'arc'	<p>Sensors are spaced at equal angles along a circular arc at distance D from the center of rotation.</p> <p>FanSensorSpacing defines the angular spacing in degrees.</p>	

Value	Meaning	Diagram
'line'	<p>Sensors are spaced at equal distances along a line that is parallel to the x' axis. The closest sensor is distance D from the center of rotation.</p> <p>FanSensorSpacing defines the distance between fan-beams on the x' axis, in pixels.</p>	

FanSensorSpacing — Fan-bean sensor spacing

1 (default) | positive scalar

Fan-bean sensor spacing, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanSensorSpacing' and a positive scalar.

- If FanSensorGeometry is 'arc', then FanSensorSpacing defines the angular spacing in degrees.
- If FanSensorGeometry is 'line', then FanSensorSpacing defines the linear distance between fan-beams, in pixels. Linear spacing is measured on the x' axis.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

F — Fan-beam projection data

numsensors-by-numangles numeric matrix

Fan-beam projection data, returned as a *numsensors-by-numangles* numeric matrix. *numsensors* is the number of fan-beam sensors and *numangles* is the number of fan-beam rotation angles. Each column of *F* contains the fan-beam sensor samples at one rotation angle.

Data Types: double

fan_sensor_positions — Location of fan-beam sensors

numsensors-by-1 numeric vector

Location of fan-beam sensors, returned as a *numsensors-by-1* numeric vector.

- If *FanSensorGeometry* is 'arc' (the default), then *fan_sensor_positions* contains the fan-beam spread angles.
- If *FanSensorGeometry* is 'line', then *fan_sensor_positions* contains the fan-beam sensor positions along the *x*' axis. See *FanSensorSpacing* for more information.

fanbeam determines the number of sensors by calculating how many beams are required to cover the entire image for any rotation angle. Fewer sensors are required to cover the image when the distance *D* between the fan-beam vertex and the center of rotation is large.

Data Types: double

fan_rotation_angles — Rotation angle of fan-beam sensors

1-by-numangles numeric vector

Rotation angle of fan-beam sensors, returned as a *1-by-numangles* numeric vector. *numangles* is $360/\text{FanRotationIncrement}$.

Data Types: double

Tips

As a guideline, try making *D* a few pixels larger than half the image diagonal dimension, calculated as follows.

```
sqrt(size(I,1)^2 + size(I,2)^2)
```

The values returned in *F* are a numerical approximation of the fan-beam projections. The algorithm depends on the Radon transform, interpolated to the fan-beam geometry. The

results vary depending on the parameters used. You can expect more accurate results when the image is larger, D is larger, and for points closer to the middle of the image, away from the edges.

References

- [1] Kak, A.C., & Slaney, M., *Principles of Computerized Tomographic Imaging*, IEEE Press, NY, 1988, pp. 92-93.

See Also

fan2para | ifanbeam | iradon | para2fan | phantom | radon

Introduced before R2006a

fibermetric

Enhance elongated or tubular structures in image

Syntax

```
B = fibermetric(A)
B = fibermetric(A,thickness)
B = fibermetric( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = fibermetric(A)` enhances elongated or tubular structures in intensity image `A` using Hessian-based multiscale filtering. The image returned, `B`, contains the maximum response of the filter at a thickness that approximately matches the size of the tubular structure in the image.

`B = fibermetric(A,thickness)` enhances elongated or tubular structures in intensity image `A`, where `thickness` specifies the thickness of the tubular structures.

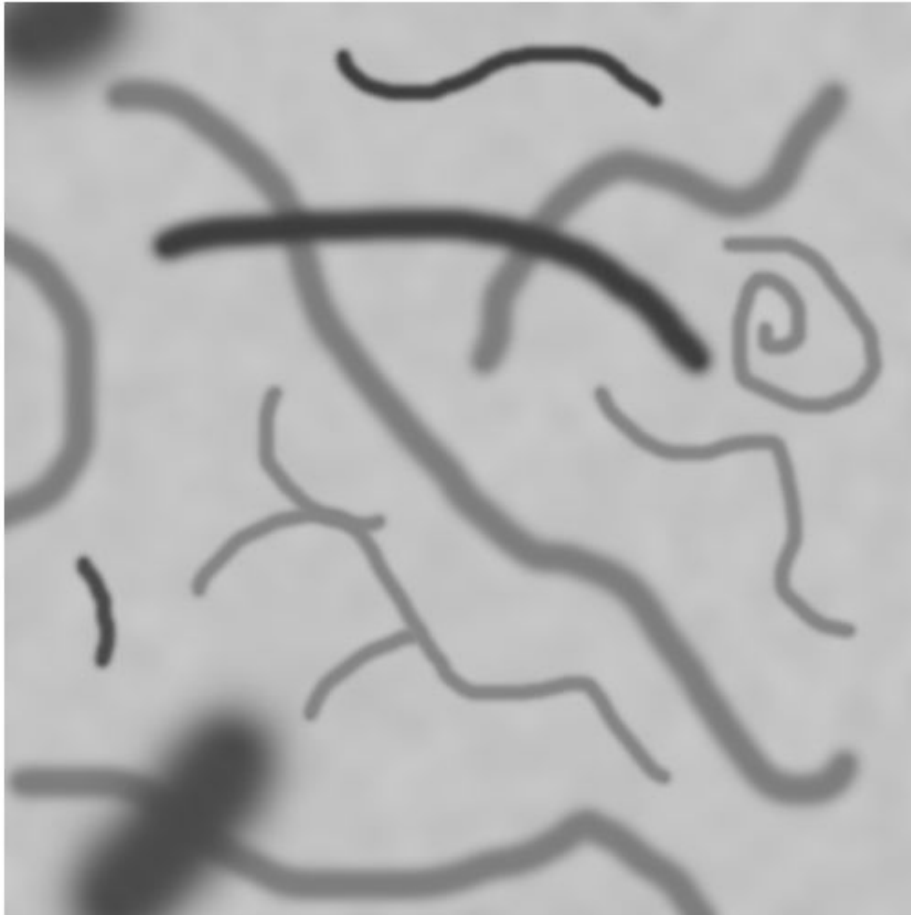
`B = fibermetric(____,Name,Value)` enhances the tubular structures in the image using name-value pairs to control different aspects of the filtering algorithm.

Examples

Find Threads Approximately Seven Pixels Thick

Read an image into the workspace that contains tubular structures of varying thicknesses, and display it.

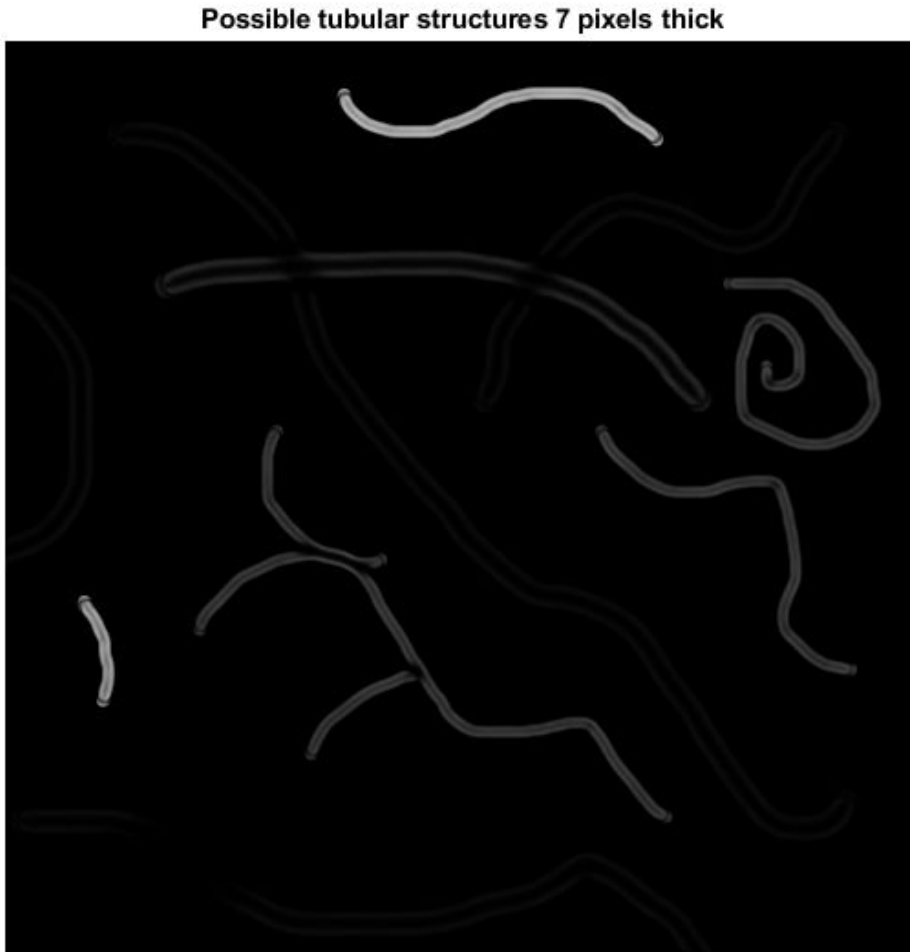
```
A = imread('threads.png');
imshow(A)
```



Create an enhanced version of the image that highlights threads that are seven pixels thick, and display it.

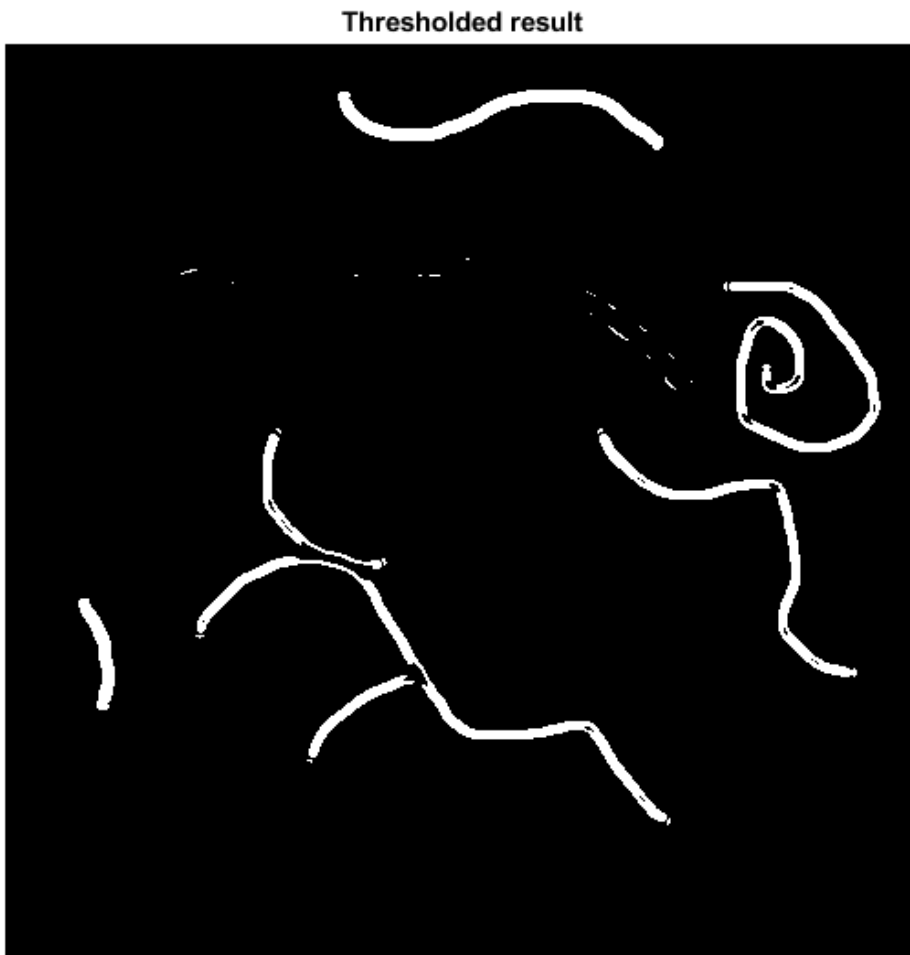
```
B = fibermetric(A, 7, 'ObjectPolarity', 'dark', 'StructureSensitivity', 7);  
figure;
```

```
imshow(B);  
title('Possible tubular structures 7 pixels thick')
```



Threshold the enhanced image to create a binary mask image containing the threads with the specified thickness.

```
C = B > 0.15;  
figure;  
imshow(C);  
title('Thresholded result')
```



Input Arguments

A — 2-D grayscale image

nonsparse numeric array

2-D grayscale image, specified as a nonsparse numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

thickness — Thickness of tubular structures

vector | scalar

Thickness of tubular structures, specified as a scalar or vector, measured in pixels. Specify a value on the order of the width of the tubular structures in the image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = fibermetric(A, 'StructureSensitivity', 15)`

StructureSensitivity — Threshold for differentiating the tubular structure from the background

half the maximum of the Hessian norm of the image (default) | numeric scalar

Threshold for differentiating the tubular structure from the background, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'StructureSensitivity'` and a numeric scalar. The value depends on the grayscale range of the image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

ObjectPolarity — Polarity of the tubular structures with the background

`'bright'` (default) | `'dark'`

Polarity of the tubular structures with the background, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ObjectPolarity'` and one of the following values:

Value	Description
'bright'	Structure is brighter than the background.
'dark'	Structure is darker than the background.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

B — Output image

numeric array

Output image, returned as a numeric array the same size as the input image of class `single`.

Tips

- The `fibermetric` function does not perform segmentation. The function enhances an image to highlight structures and is typically used as a preprocessing step for segmentation.

References

[1] Frangi, Alejandro F., et al. *Multiscale vessel enhancement filtering*. Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention—MICCAI'98. Springer Berlin Heidelberg, 1998. 130-137.

See Also

`edge` | `imgradient`

Introduced in R2017a

findbounds

Find output bounds for spatial transformation

Syntax

```
outbounds = findbounds(tform,inbounds)
```

Description

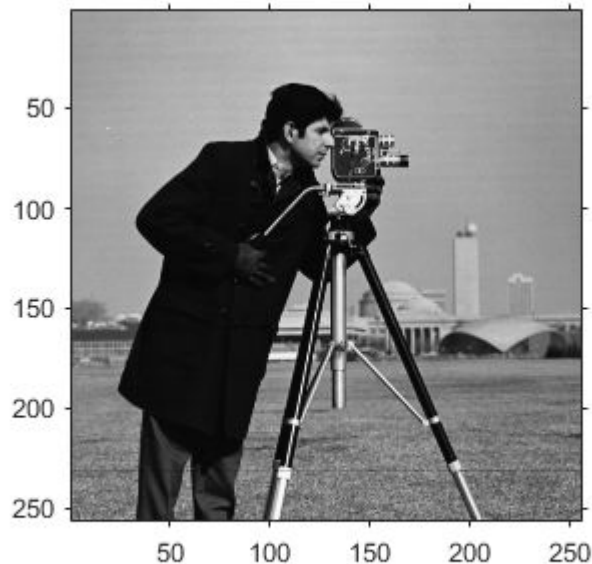
`outbounds = findbounds(tform,inbounds)` estimates the output bounds corresponding to a given spatial transformation and a set of input bounds. `tform` is a spatial transformation structure. `inbounds` is a 2-by-`num_dims` matrix that specifies the lower and upper bounds of the output image. `outbounds` is an estimate of the smallest rectangular region completely containing the transformed rectangle represented by the input bounds, and has the same form as `inbounds`. Since `outbounds` is only an estimate, it might not completely contain the transformed input rectangle.

Examples

Calculate Boundaries of Transformed Output Image

Read an image into the workspace, and display the image.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Create a spatial transformation structure that stretches an image.

```
T = maketform('affine',[.5 0 0; .5 2 0; 0 0 1]);
```

Calculate the boundaries of the output image, given the size of the input image and the spatial transformation. The dimensions of the input image are 256-by-256. The boundaries of the output image reflect the transformation: 256-by-512.

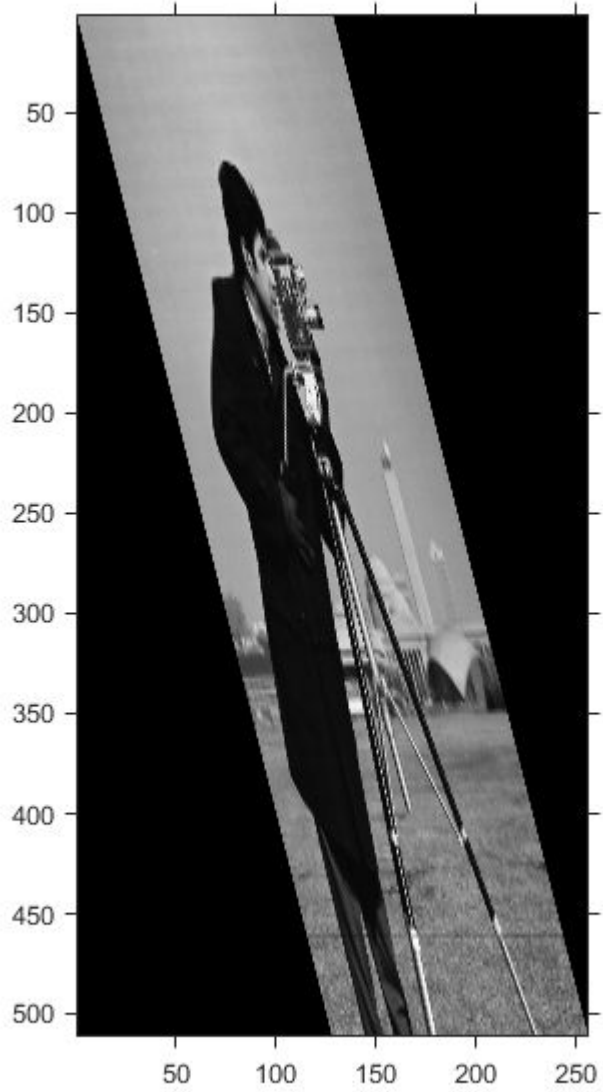
```
outb = findbounds(T,[0 0;256 256])
```

```
outb = 2×2
```

```
    0    0  
  256  512
```

Apply the transformation, and display the image.

```
transformedI = imtransform(I,T);  
figure  
imshow(transformedI)
```



Input Arguments

tform — Spatial transformation

structure

Spatial transformation, specified as a structure (`tform`).

Data Types: `struct`

inbounds — Bounds for each dimension of the input image

2-by-`num_dims` matrix

Bounds for each dimension of the input image, specified as a 2-by-`num_dims` matrix. The first row of `inbounds` specifies the lower bounds for each dimension, and the second row specifies the upper bounds. `num_dims` has to be consistent with the `ndims_in` field of `tform`.

Example: `outb = findbounds(T,[0 0;256 256])` where input image is 256-by-256.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

outbounds — Bounds for each dimension of the output image

2-by-`num_dims` matrix of class `double`

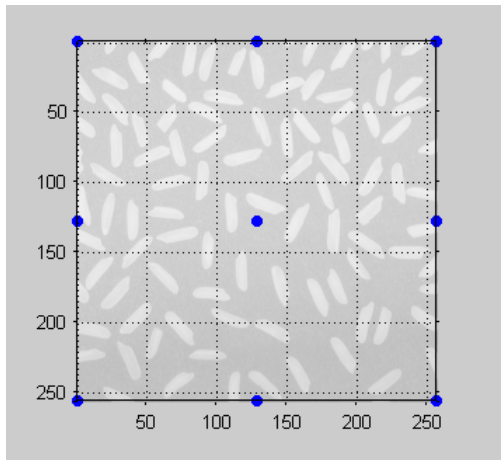
Bounds for each dimension of the output image (output space bounding box), returned as a 2-by-`num_dims` matrix of class `double`.

Algorithms

- 1 `findbounds` first creates a grid of input-space points. These points are at the center, corners, and middle of each edge in the image.

```
I = imread('rice.png');
h = imshow(I);
set(h,'AlphaData',0.3);
axis on, grid on
in_points = [ ...
    0.5000    0.5000
```

```
    0.5000  256.5000
    256.5000  0.5000
    256.5000  256.5000
    0.5000  128.5000
    128.5000  0.5000
    128.5000  128.5000
    128.5000  256.5000
    256.5000  128.5000];
hold on
plot(in_points(:,1),in_points(:,2),'.','MarkerSize',18)
hold off
```



Grid of Input-Space Points

- Next, `findbounds` transforms the grid of input-space points to output space. If `tform` contains a forward transformation (a nonempty `forward_fcn` field), then `findbounds` transforms the input-space points using `tformfwd`. For example:

```
tform = maketform('affine', ...
    [1.1067 -0.2341 0; 0.5872 1.1769 0; 1000 -300 1]);
out_points = tformfwd(tform, in_points)

out_points =

    1.0e+03 *
    1.0008  -0.2995
    1.1512   0.0018
```

```
1.2842 -0.3595
1.4345 -0.0582
1.0760 -0.1489
1.1425 -0.3295
1.2177 -0.1789
1.2928 -0.0282
```

If `tform` does not contain a forward transformation, then `findbounds` estimates the output bounds using the Nelder-Mead optimization function `fminsearch`.

- 3 Finally, `findbounds` computes the bounding box of the transformed grid of points.

See Also

`tformarray` | `tformfwd` | `tforminv`

Introduced before R2006a

fitbrisque

Fit custom model for BRISQUE image quality score

Syntax

```
model = fitbrisque(imds,opinionScores)
```

Description

`model = fitbrisque(imds,opinionScores)` creates a Blind/Referenceless Image Spatial Quality Evaluator (BRISQUE) model from a reference image datastore, `imds`, with corresponding human perceptual differential mean opinion score (DMOS) values, `opinionScore`.

Note To use the `fitbrisque` function, you must have Statistics and Machine Learning Toolbox™.

Examples

Calculate BRISQUE Score Using Custom Feature Model

Train a custom BRISQUE model from a set of quality-aware features and corresponding human opinion scores. Use the custom model to calculate a BRISQUE score for an image of a natural scene.

Save images from an image datastore. These images all have compression artifacts resulting from JPEG compression.

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata');  
imds = imageDatastore(setDir,'FileExtensions',{' .jpg'});
```


Specify the opinion score for each image. The following differential mean opinion score (DMOS) values are for illustrative purposes only. They are not real DMOS values obtained through experimentation.

```
opinionScores = 100*rand(1,size(imds.Files,1));
```

Create the custom model of quality-aware features using the image datastore and the opinion scores. Because the scores are random, the property values will vary.

```
model = fitbrisque(imds,opinionScores')
```

```
Extracting features from 37 images.  
..  
Completed 4 of 37 images. Time: Calculating...  
...  
Completed 13 of 37 images. Time: 00:26 of 01:02  
...  
Completed 23 of 37 images. Time: 00:37 of 00:55  
.....Training support vector regressor...  
  
Done.
```

```
model =  
    brisqueModel with properties:  
  
        Alpha: [35x1 double]  
        Bias: 56.2632  
    SupportVectors: [35x36 double]  
        Kernel: 'gaussian'  
        Scale: 0.2717
```

Read an image of a natural scene that has the same type of distortion as the training images. Display the image.

```
I = imread('car1.jpg');  
imshow(I)
```



Calculate the BRISQUE score for the image using the custom model. Display the score.

```
brisqueI = brisque(I,model);  
fprintf('BRISQUE score for the image is %0.4f.\n',brisqueI)
```

```
BRISQUE score for the image is 78.7367.
```

Input Arguments

imds — Reference image datastore

ImageDatastore object

Reference image datastore, specified as an ImageDatastore object. Images within the datastore must be real, nonsparse, m -by- n or m -by- n -by-3 arrays of data type `single`,

double, int16, uint8, or uint16. The images must have a known set of distortions such as compression artifacts, blurring, or noise.

opinionScores — Human opinion scores

numeric vector

Human opinion scores, specified as a numeric vector with values in the range [0, 100]. Each element in `opinionScores` is the human perceptual DMOS value corresponding to an image in the datastore `imds`. The length of `opinionScores` is equal to the number of images in `imds`.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

Output Arguments

model — Custom model of image features

`brisqueModel` object

Custom model of image features, returned as a `brisqueModel` object. `model` contains a support vector regressor (SVR) with a Gaussian kernel trained to predict the BRISQUE quality score.

References

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- [2] Mittal, A., A. K. Moorthy, and A. C. Bovik. "Referenceless Image Spatial Quality Evaluation Engine." Presentation at the 45th Asilomar Conference on Signals, Systems and Computers, Pacific Grove, CA, November 2011.

See Also

Functions

`brisque` | `fitniqe` | `niqe`

Objects

`brisqueModel`

Topics

“Image Quality Metrics”

“Train and Use a No-Reference Quality Assessment Model”

Introduced in R2017b

fitgeotrans

Fit geometric transformation to control point pairs

Syntax

```
tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, transformationType)
tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'polynomial', degree)
tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'pwl')
tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'lwm', n)
```

Description

`tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, transformationType)` takes the pairs of control points, `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints`, and uses them to infer the geometric transformation specified by `transformationType`.

`tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'polynomial', degree)` fits a `PolynomialTransformation2D` object to control point pairs `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints`. Specify the degree of the polynomial transformation `degree`, which can be 2, 3, or 4.

`tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'pwl')` fits a `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` object to control point pairs `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints`. This transformation maps control points by breaking up the plane into local piecewise-linear regions. A different affine transformation maps control points in each local region.

`tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'lwm', n)` fits a `LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` object to control point pairs `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints`. The local weighted mean transformation creates a mapping, by inferring a polynomial at each control point using neighboring control points. The mapping at any location depends on a weighted average of these polynomials. The `n` closest points are used to infer a second degree polynomial transformation for each control point pair.

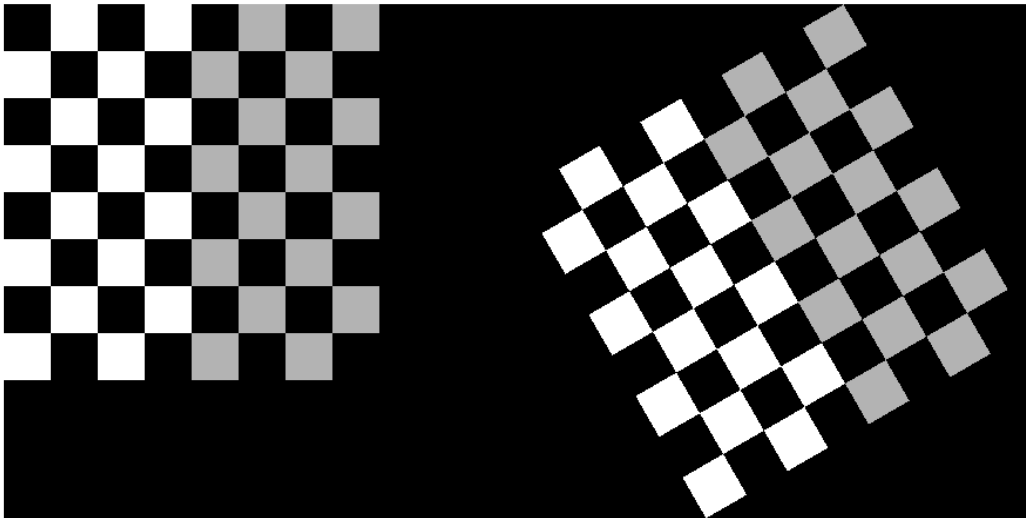
Examples

Create Geometric Transformation for Image Alignment

This example shows how to create a geometric transformation that can be used to align two images.

Create a checkerboard image and rotate it to create a misaligned image.

```
I = checkerboard(40);  
J = imrotate(I,30);  
imshowpair(I,J,'montage')
```



Define some matching control points on the fixed image (the checkerboard) and moving image (the rotated checkerboard). You can define points interactively using the Control Point Selection tool.

```
fixedPoints = [41 41; 281 161];  
movingPoints = [56 175; 324 160];
```

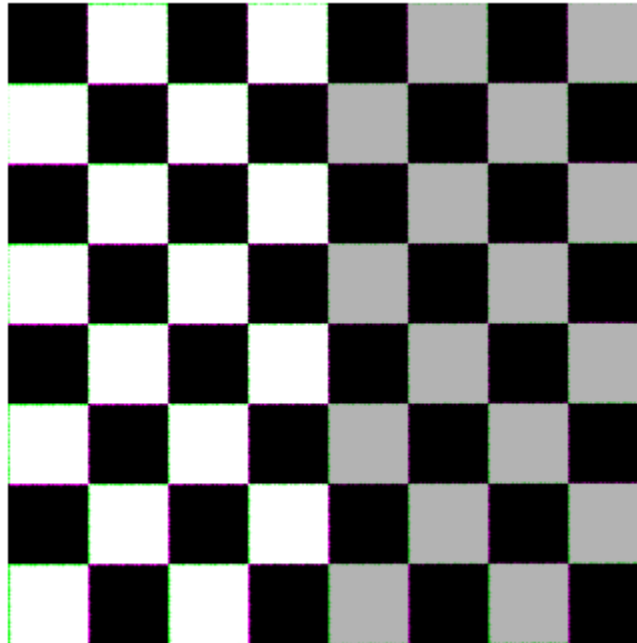
Create a geometric transformation that can be used to align the two images, returned as an `affine2d` geometric transformation object.

```
tform = fitgeotrans(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'NonreflectiveSimilarity')
```

```
tform =  
  affine2d with properties:  
    Dimensionality: 2  
           T: [3x3 double]
```

Use the `tform` estimate to resample the rotated image to register it with the fixed image. The regions of color (green and magenta) in the false color overlay image indicate error in the registration. This error comes from a lack of precise correspondence in the control points.

```
Jregistered = imwarp(J,tform, 'OutputView', imref2d(size(I)));  
figure  
imshowpair(I,Jregistered)
```



Recover angle and scale of the transformation by checking how a unit vector parallel to the x-axis is rotated and stretched.

```
u = [0 1];  
v = [0 0];  
[x, y] = transformPointsForward(tform, u, v);  
dx = x(2) - x(1);  
dy = y(2) - y(1);  
angle = (180/pi) * atan2(dy, dx)  
  
angle = 29.7686  
  
scale = 1 / sqrt(dx^2 + dy^2)  
  
scale = 1.0003
```


Input Arguments

movingPoints — x- and y-coordinates of control points in the image you want to transform

m-by-2 double matrix

x- and y-coordinates of control points in the image you want to transform, specified as an *m*-by-2 double matrix.

Example: `movingPoints = [11 11; 41 71];`

Data Types: `double` | `single`

fixedPoints — x- and y-coordinates of control points in the fixed image

m-by-2 double matrix

x- and y- coordinates of control points in the fixed image, specified as an *m*-by-2 double matrix.

Example: `fixedPoints = [14 44; 70 81];`

Data Types: `double` | `single`

transformationType — Type of transformation

'nonreflectivesimilarity' | 'similarity' | 'affine' | 'projective'

Type of transformation, specified as one of the following:

'nonreflectivesimilarity', 'similarity', 'affine', or 'projective'. For more information, see "Transformation Types" on page 1-772.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

degree — Degree of the polynomial

2 | 3 | 4

Degree of the polynomial, specified as the integer 2, 3, or 4.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

n — Number of points to use in local weighted mean calculation

numeric value

Number of points to use in local weighted mean calculation, specified as a numeric value. n can be as small as 6, but making n small risks generating ill-conditioned polynomials

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

tform — Transformation

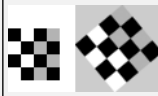

transformation object






Transformation, returned as a transformation object. The type of object depends on the transformation type. For example, if you specify the transformation type `'affine'`, then `tform` is an `affine2d` object. If you specify `'pwl'`, then `tform` is an `image.geotrans.PiecewiseLinearTransformation2d` object.

Definitions

Transformation Types

The table lists all the transformation types supported by `fitgeotrans` in order of complexity.

Transformation Type	Description	Minimum Number of Control Point Pairs	Example
<code>'nonreflective similarity'</code>	Use this transformation when shapes in the moving image are unchanged, but the image is distorted by some combination of translation, rotation, and scaling. Straight lines remain straight, and parallel lines are still parallel.	2	
<code>'similarity'</code>	Same as <code>'nonreflective similarity'</code> with the addition of optional reflection.	3	

Transformation Type	Description	Minimum Number of Control Point Pairs	Example
'affine'	Use this transformation when shapes in the moving image exhibit shearing. Straight lines remain straight, and parallel lines remain parallel, but rectangles become parallelograms.	3	
'projective'	Use this transformation when the scene appears tilted. Straight lines remain straight, but parallel lines converge toward a vanishing point.	4	
'polynomial'	Use this transformation when objects in the image are curved. The higher the order of the polynomial, the better the fit, but the result can contain more curves than the fixed image.	6 (order 2) 10 (order 3) 15 (order 4)	
'pwl'	Use this transformation (piecewise linear) when parts of the image appear distorted differently.	4	
'lwm'	Use this transformation (local weighted mean) when the distortion varies locally and piecewise linear is not sufficient.	6 (12 recommended)	

References

- [1] Goshtasby, Ardeshir, "Piecewise linear mapping functions for image registration," *Pattern Recognition*, Vol. 19, 1986, pp. 459-466.
- [2] Goshtasby, Ardeshir, "Image registration by local approximation methods," *Image and Vision Computing*, Vol. 6, 1988, pp. 255-261.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `fitgeotrans` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, the `transformationType` argument must be a compile-time constant and only the following transformation types are supported: `'nonreflectivesimilarity'`, `'similarity'`, `'affine'`, and `'projective'`.

See Also

Functions

`cpselect` | `imwarp`

Objects

`LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` | `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` | `PolynomialTransformation2D` | `affine2d` | `projective2d`

Topics

“Matrix Representation of Geometric Transformations”

Introduced in R2013b

fitnqe

Fit custom model for NIQE image quality score

Syntax

```
model = fitnqe(imds)
model = fitnqe(imds,Name,Value)
```

Description

`model = fitnqe(imds)` creates a Naturalness Image Quality Evaluator (NIQE) model from reference image datastore `imds`.

`model = fitnqe(imds,Name,Value)` creates a NIQE model using additional parameters to control the model calculation.

Examples

Calculate NIQE Score Using Custom Feature Model

Load a set of natural images into an image datastore. These images are shipped in Image Processing Toolbox™ in a directory named 'imdata'.

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata');
imds = imageDatastore(setDir,'FileExtensions',{' .jpg'});
```

Train a custom NIQE model using the image datastore.

```
model = fitnqe(imds);
```

```
Extracting features from 37 images.
```

```
..
```

```
Completed 4 of 37 images. Time: Calculating...
```

```
...
```

```
Completed 13 of 37 images. Time: 00:25 of 01:01
```

```
...  
Completed 23 of 37 images. Time: 00:35 of 00:53  
.....  
Done.
```

Read an image of a natural scene. Display the image.

```
I = imread('car1.jpg');  
imshow(I)
```



Calculate the NIQE score for the image using the custom model. Display the score.

```
niqeI = niqe(I,model);  
fprintf('NIQE score for the image is %0.4f.\n',niqeI)
```

```
NIQE score for the image is 1.8601.
```

Fit Custom NIQE Model Using Specified Block Size

Load a set of natural images into an image datastore. These images are shipped in Image Processing Toolbox™ in a directory named 'imdata'.

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata');  
imds = imageDatastore(setDir,'FileExtensions',{' .jpg'});
```

Create the custom model of NSS features using the image datastore. Specify a block size and use the default sharpness threshold.

```
model = fitnqe(imds,'BlockSize',[48 96])
```

```
Extracting features from 37 images.  
.  
Completed 3 of 37 images. Time: Calculating...  
..  
Completed 11 of 37 images. Time: 00:22 of 01:00  
..  
Completed 14 of 37 images. Time: 00:36 of 01:30  
...  
Completed 24 of 37 images. Time: 00:49 of 01:12  
....  
Done.  
  
model =  
    niqeModel with properties:  
  
                Mean: [1x36 double]  
            Covariance: [36x36 double]  
                BlockSize: [48 96]  
    SharpnessThreshold: 0
```

Read a natural image into the workspace. Display the image.

```
I = imread('yellowlily.jpg');  
imshow(I)
```



Calculate the NIQE score for the image using the custom model. Display the score.

```
niqeI = niqe(I,model);
fprintf('NIQE score for the image is %0.4f.\n',niqeI)
```

NIQE score for the image is 2.9944.

Input Arguments

imds — Reference image datastore

ImageDatastore object

Reference image datastore, specified as an ImageDatastore object. Images within the datastore must be real, nonsparse, m -by- n or m -by- n -by-3 matrices of data type `single`, `double`, `int16`, `uint8`, or `uint16`.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1, ...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `model = fitnqe(imds,'BlockSize',[48 36])` fits a NIQE model using 48-by-36 pixel blocks.

BlockSize — Block size used to partition the images

[96 96] (default) | 2-element row vector of positive even integers

Block size used to partition the images, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'BlockSize'` and a 2-element row vector of positive even integers. Blocks are nonoverlapping. Natural scene statistics, which are calculated from the blocks, define the output `model`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

SharpnessThreshold — Sharpness threshold

0 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]

Sharpness threshold, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'SharpnessThreshold'` and a numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]. The sharpness

threshold, `s`, controls which image blocks are used to compute the model. `fitniqe` computes the model using all blocks that have sharpness more than `s` times the maximum sharpness among all blocks.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

model — Custom model of image features

`niqeModel` object

Custom model of image features, returned as a `niqeModel` object.

Tips

- The custom dataset specified in the image datastore `imds` should consist of images that are perceptually pristine to human subjects. However, the definition of pristine depends on the application. For example, a pristine set of microscopy images has a different set of quality criteria than images of buildings or outdoor scenes. When training a custom NIQE model, use images with varied image content and with potentially different sets of quality criteria.

References

- [1] Mittal, A., R. Soundararajan, and A. C. Bovik. "Making a Completely Blind Image Quality Analyzer." *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*. Vol. 22, Number 3, March 2013, pp. 209-212.

See Also

Functions

`brisque` | `fitbrisque` | `niqe`

Objects

`niqeModel`

Topics

“Image Quality Metrics”

“Train and Use a No-Reference Quality Assessment Model”

Introduced in R2017b

fliptform

Flip input and output roles of spatial transformation structure

Syntax

```
tflip = fliptform(T)
```

Description

`tflip = fliptform(T)` creates a new TFORM spatial transformation structure by flipping the roles of the inputs and outputs in an existing TFORM structure.

Examples

Flip Spatial Transformation Structure

Create a spatial transformation structure.

```
T = maketform('affine', [.5 0 0; .5 2 0; 0 0 1])
```

```
T =
```

```
struct with fields:
    ndims_in: 2
    ndims_out: 2
    forward_fcn: @fwd_affine
    inverse_fcn: @inv_affine
    tdata: [1x1 struct]
```

Create a new spatial transformation structure by flipping the roles of the inputs and outputs.

```
T2 = fliptform(T)
```

```
T2 =
    struct with fields:
        ndims_in: 2
        ndims_out: 2
        forward_fcn: @inv_affine
        inverse_fcn: @fwd_affine
        tdata: [1x1 struct]
```

After flipping the spatial transformation structures, the following statements are equivalent.

```
x = tformfwd([-3 7],T)
x = tforminv([-3 7],T2)
```

```
x =
     2     14
```

```
x =
     2     14
```

Input Arguments

T – Spatial transformation

TFORM spatial transformation structure

Spatial transformation, specified as a TFORM spatial transformation structure.

Data Types: `struct`

Output Arguments

tflip – Flipped spatial transformation

TFORM spatial transformation structure

Flipped spatial transformation, returned as a TFORM spatial transformation structure.

See Also

`maketform` | `tformfwd` | `tforminv`

Introduced before R2006a

freqz2

2-D frequency response

Syntax

```
[H, f1, f2] = freqz2(h)
[H, f1, f2] = freqz2(h, [n1 n2])
[H, f1, f2] = freqz2(h, f1, f2)
[ ___ ] = freqz2(h, ___ , [dx dy])
freqz2( ___ )
```

Description

`[H, f1, f2] = freqz2(h)` returns `H`, the 64-by-64 frequency response of `h`, and the frequency vectors `f1` (of length 64) and `f2` (of length 64). `h` is a two-dimensional FIR filter, in the form of a computational molecule.

`freqz2` returns `f1` and `f2` as normalized frequencies in the range -1.0 to 1.0, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians.

`[H, f1, f2] = freqz2(h, [n1 n2])` returns `H`, the `n2`-by-`n1` frequency response of `h`, and the frequency vectors `f1` (of length `n1`) and `f2` (of length `n2`). You can also specify `[n1 n2]` as two separate arguments, `n1`, `n2`.

`[H, f1, f2] = freqz2(h, f1, f2)` returns the frequency response for the FIR filter `h` at frequency values in `f1` and `f2`. These frequency values must be in the range -1.0 to 1.0, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians. You can also specify `[f1 f2]` as two separate arguments, `f1`, `f2`.

`[___] = freqz2(h, ___ , [dx dy])` uses `[dx dy]` to override the intersample spacing in `h`. You can also specify a scalar to specify the same spacing in both the `x` and `y` dimensions.

`freqz2(___)` produces a mesh plot of the two-dimensional magnitude frequency response when no output arguments are specified.

Examples

View Frequency Response of Filter

This example shows how to create a two-dimensional filter using `fwind1` and how to view the filter's frequency response using `freqz2`.

Create an ideal frequency response.

```
Hd = zeros(16,16);  
Hd(5:12,5:12) = 1;  
Hd(7:10,7:10) = 0;
```

Create a 1-D window. This example uses a Bartlett window of length 16.

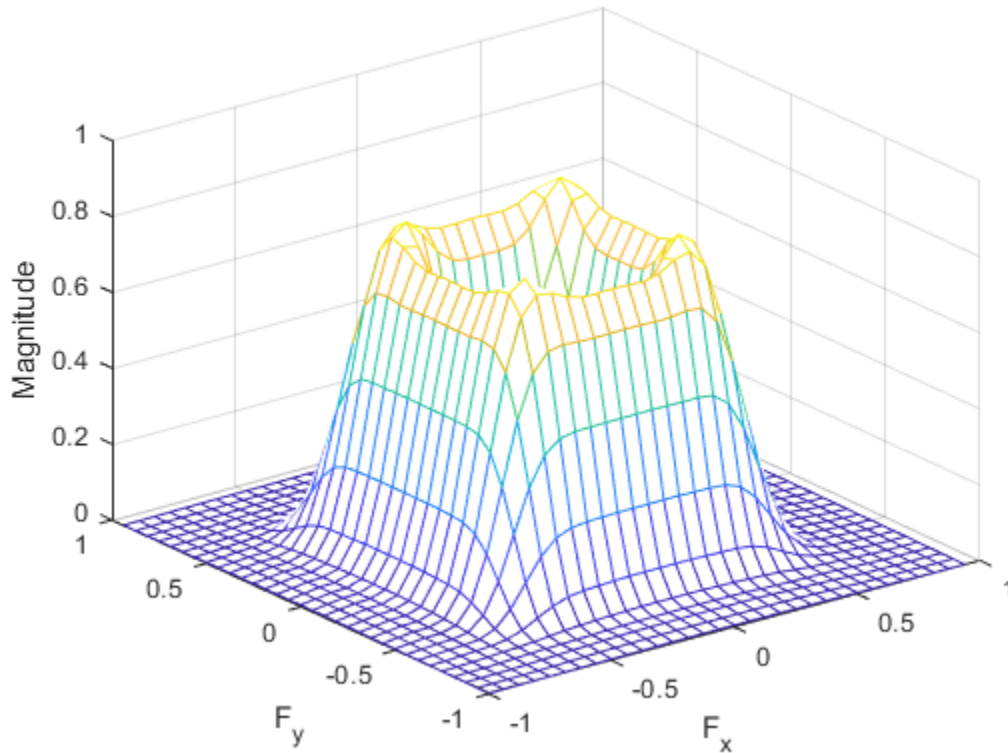
```
w = [0:2:16 16:-2:0]/16;
```

Create the 16-by-16 filter using `fwind1` and the 1-D window. This filter gives the closest match to the ideal frequency response.

```
h = fwind1(Hd,w);
```

Display the actual frequency response of the filter.

```
colormap(parula(64))  
freqz2(h,[32 32]);  
axis ([-1 1 -1 1 0 1])
```

Input Arguments

h — 2-D FIR filter

computational molecule

2-D FIR filter, specified in the form of a computational molecule.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

[n1 n2] — Number of points in the frequency response

[64 64] (default) | two-element vector

Number of points in the frequency response, specified as a two-element vector.

Data Types: double

f1, f2 — Frequency vectors

numeric vectors

Frequency vectors, specified as numeric vectors.

Data Types: double

[dx dy] — Sample spacing

0.5 (default) | two-element vector or scalar

Sample spacing, specified as a two-element vector of the form [dx dy]. The default spacing is 0.5, which corresponds to a sampling frequency of 2.0. dx determines the spacing for the x dimension and dy determines the spacing for the y dimension. If you specify a scalar, freqz2 uses the value to determine the intersample spacing in both dimensions.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

H — Frequency response

numeric array

Frequency response, returned as a numeric array.

f1 — Frequency vector

vector

Frequency vector, returned as a numeric vector.

Data Types: double

f2 — Frequency vector

vector

Frequency vector, returned as a numeric vector.

See Also

freqz

Topics

“Design Linear Filters in the Frequency Domain”

Introduced before R2006a

fsamp2

2-D FIR filter using frequency sampling

Syntax

```
h = fsamp2(Hd)
h = fsamp2(f1,f2,Hd,[m n])
```

Description

`h = fsamp2(Hd)` designs a two-dimensional FIR filter with frequency response `Hd`, and returns the filter coefficients in matrix `h`. The filter `h` has a frequency response that passes through points in `Hd`. `fsamp2` designs two-dimensional FIR filters based on a desired two-dimensional frequency response sampled at points on the Cartesian plane.

`h = fsamp2(f1,f2,Hd,[m n])` produces an `m`-by-`n` FIR filter by matching the filter response at the points in the vectors `f1` and `f2`. The frequency vectors `f1` and `f2` are in normalized frequency, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians. The resulting filter fits the desired response as closely as possible in the least squares sense. For best results, there must be at least `m*n` desired frequency points. `fsamp2` issues a warning if you specify fewer than `m*n` points.

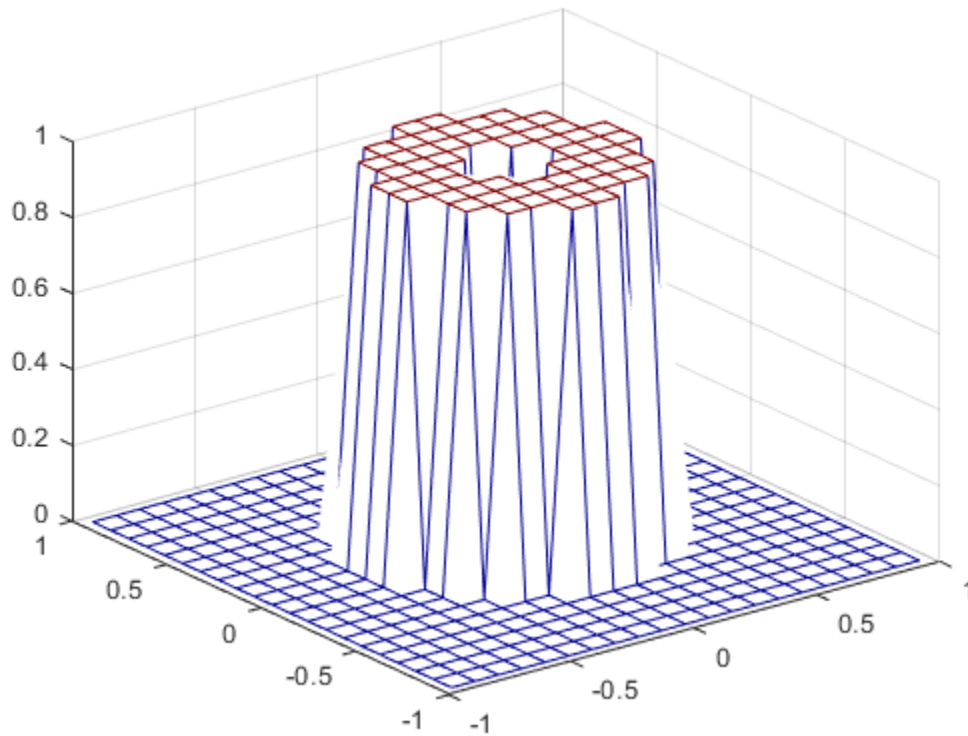
Examples

Create 2-D FIR Filter using Frequency Sampling

Use `fsamp2` to design an approximately symmetric, two-dimensional bandpass filter with passband between 0.1 and 0.5 (normalized frequency, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians).

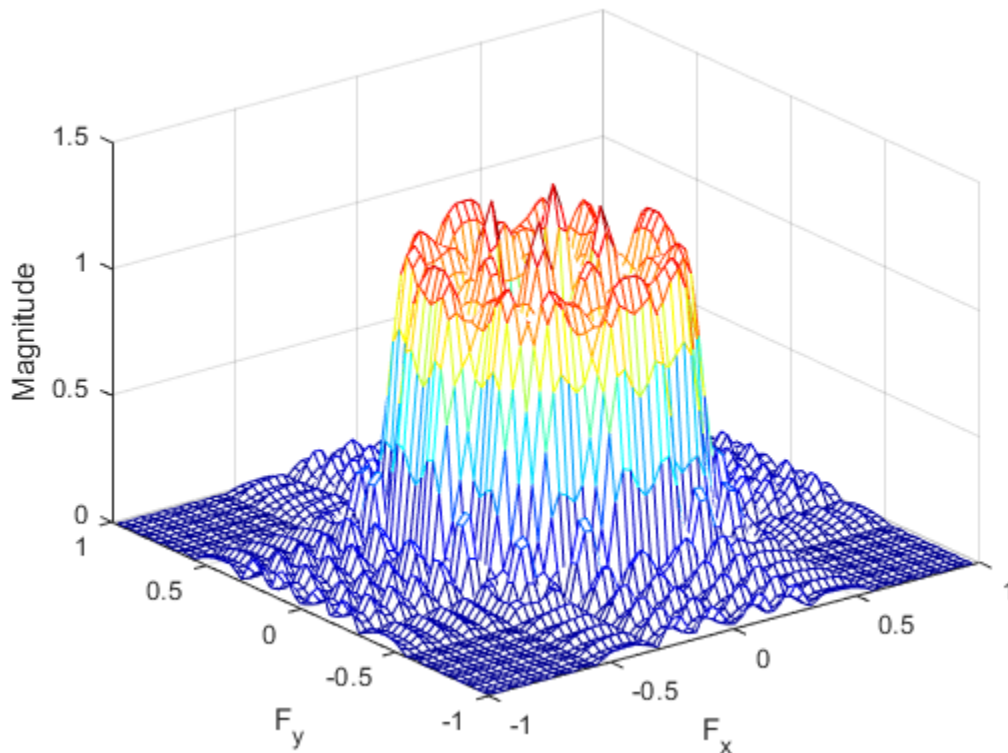
Create a matrix `Hd` that contains the desired bandpass response. Use `freqspace` to create the frequency vectors `f1` and `f2`.

```
[f1,f2] = freqspace(21,'meshgrid');  
Hd = ones(21);  
r = sqrt(f1.^2 + f2.^2);  
Hd((r<0.1)|(r>0.5)) = 0;  
colormap(jet(64))  
mesh(f1,f2,Hd)
```



Design the filter that passes through this response.

```
h = fsamp2(Hd);  
freqz2(h)
```



Input Arguments

H_d — Frequency response

numeric matrix

Frequency response, specified as a numeric matrix. **H_d** is a matrix containing the desired frequency response sampled at equally spaced points between -1.0 and 1.0 along the *x* and *y* frequency axes. The value 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians.

$$H_d(f_1, f_2) = H_d(\omega_1, \omega_2)|_{\omega_1 = \pi f_1, \omega_2 = \pi f_2}$$

For best results, use frequency points returned by `freqspace` to create `Hd`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

f1 — Frequency vector

numeric vector

Frequency vector, specified as a numeric vector.

Data Types: `double`

f2 — Frequency vector

numeric vector

Frequency vector, specified as a numeric vector.

Data Types: `double`

[m n] — Size of output FIR filter

2-element vector of positive integers

Size of output FIR filter `h`, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. The filter has `m` rows and `n` columns.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

h — 2-D FIR filter

numeric array

2-D FIR filter, returned as a numeric array. `fsamp2` returns `h` as a computational molecule, which is the appropriate form to use with `filter2`. If you specify a frequency response matrix `Hd`, then `h` has the same size. If `Hd` is of class `single`, `h` is also of class `single`. Otherwise, `h` is of class `double`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Algorithms

`fsamp2` computes the filter `h` by taking the inverse discrete Fourier transform of the desired frequency response. If the desired frequency response is real and symmetric (zero phase), the resulting filter is also zero phase.

References

[1] Lim, Jae S., *Two-Dimensional Signal and Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1990, pp. 213-217.

See Also

`conv2` | `filter2` | `freqspace` | `ftrans2` | `fwind1` | `fwind2`

Topics

“Design Linear Filters in the Frequency Domain”

Introduced before R2006a

fspecial

Create predefined 2-D filter

Syntax

```
h = fspecial(type)
h = fspecial('average',hsize)
h = fspecial('disk',radius)
h = fspecial('gaussian',hsize,sigma)
h = fspecial('laplacian',alpha)
h = fspecial('log',hsize,sigma)
h = fspecial('motion',len,theta)
h = fspecial('prewitt')
h = fspecial('sobel')
```

Description

`h = fspecial(type)` creates a two-dimensional filter `h` of the specified `type`. Some of the filter types have optional additional parameters, shown in the following syntaxes. `fspecial` returns `h` as a correlation kernel, which is the appropriate form to use with `imfilter`.

`h = fspecial('average',hsize)` returns an averaging filter `h` of size `hsize`.

`h = fspecial('disk',radius)` returns a circular averaging filter (pillbox) within the square matrix of size `2*radius+1`.

`h = fspecial('gaussian',hsize,sigma)` returns a rotationally symmetric Gaussian lowpass filter of size `hsize` with standard deviation `sigma`. Not recommended. Use `imgaussfilt` or `imgaussfilt3` instead.

`h = fspecial('laplacian',alpha)` returns a 3-by-3 filter approximating the shape of the two-dimensional Laplacian operator, `alpha` controls the shape of the Laplacian.

`h = fspecial('log',hsize,sigma)` returns a rotationally symmetric Laplacian of Gaussian filter of size `hsize` with standard deviation `sigma`.

`h = fspecial('motion', len, theta)` returns a filter to approximate, once convolved with an image, the linear motion of a camera. `len` specifies the length of the motion and `theta` specifies the angle of motion in degrees in a counter-clockwise direction. The filter becomes a vector for horizontal and vertical motions. The default `len` is 9 and the default `theta` is 0, which corresponds to a horizontal motion of nine pixels.

`h = fspecial('prewitt')` returns a 3-by-3 filter that emphasizes horizontal edges by approximating a vertical gradient. To emphasize vertical edges, transpose the filter `h'`.

```
[ 1  1  1
  0  0  0
 -1 -1 -1 ]
```

`h = fspecial('sobel')` returns a 3-by-3 filter that emphasizes horizontal edges using the smoothing effect by approximating a vertical gradient. To emphasize vertical edges, transpose the filter `h'`.

```
[ 1  2  1
  0  0  0
 -1 -2 -1 ]
```

Examples

Create Various Filters and Filter an Image

Read image and display it.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
imshow(I);
```



Create a motion filter and use it to blur the image. Display the blurred image.

```
H = fspecial('motion',20,45);  
MotionBlur = imfilter(I,H,'replicate');  
imshow(MotionBlur);
```



Create a disk filter and use it to blur the image. Display the blurred image.

```
H = fspecial('disk',10);  
blurred = imfilter(I,H,'replicate');  
imshow(blurred);
```



Input Arguments

type — Type of filter

'average' | 'disk' | 'gaussian' | 'laplacian' | 'log' | 'motion' | 'prewitt' | 'sobel'

Type of filter, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'average'	Averaging filter
'disk'	Circular averaging filter (pillbox)
'gaussian'	Gaussian lowpass filter. Not recommended. Use <code>imgaussfilt</code> or <code>imgaussfilt3</code> instead.

Value	Description
'laplacian'	Approximates the two-dimensional Laplacian operator
'log'	Laplacian of Gaussian filter
'motion'	Approximates the linear motion of a camera
'prewitt'	Prewitt horizontal edge-emphasizing filter
'sobel'	Sobel horizontal edge-emphasizing filter

Data Types: char | string

hsize — Size of the filter

positive integer | 2-element vector of positive integers

Size of the filter, specified as a positive integer or 2-element vector of positive integers. Use a vector to specify the number of rows and columns in `h`. If you specify a scalar, then `h` is a square matrix.

When used with the 'average' filter type, the default filter size is [3 3]. When used with the Laplacian of Gaussian ('log') filter type, the default filter size is [5 5].

Data Types: double

radius — Radius of a disk-shaped filter

5 (default) | positive number

Radius of a disk-shaped filter, specified as a positive number.

Data Types: double

sigma — Standard deviation

0.5 (default) | positive number

Standard deviation, specified as a positive number.

Data Types: double

alpha — Shape of the Laplacian

0.2 (default) | scalar in the range [0 1]

Shape of the Laplacian, specified as a scalar in the range [0 1].

Data Types: double

len — Linear motion of camera

9 (default) | numeric scalar

Linear motion of camera, specified as a numeric scalar, measured in pixels.

Data Types: double

theta — Angle of camera motion

0 (default) | numeric scalar

Angle of camera motion, specified as a numeric scalar, measured in degrees, in a counter-clockwise direction.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

h — Correlation kernel

matrix

Correlation kernel, returned as a matrix.

Data Types: double

Algorithms

Averaging filters:

$$\text{ones}(n(1), n(2)) / (n(1) * n(2))$$

Gaussian filters:

$$h_g(n_1, n_2) = e^{-\frac{(n_1^2 + n_2^2)}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$h(n_1, n_2) = \frac{h_g(n_1, n_2)}{\sum_{n_1} \sum_{n_2} h_g}$$

Laplacian filters:

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\nabla^2 = \frac{4}{(\alpha + 1)} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\alpha}{4} & \frac{1 - \alpha}{4} & \frac{\alpha}{4} \\ \frac{1 - \alpha}{4} & -1 & \frac{1 - \alpha}{4} \\ \frac{\alpha}{4} & \frac{1 - \alpha}{4} & \frac{\alpha}{4} \end{bmatrix}$$

Laplacian of Gaussian (LoG) filters:

$$h_g(n_1, n_2) = e^{-\frac{(n_1^2 + n_2^2)}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$h(n_1, n_2) = \frac{(n_1^2 + n_2^2 - 2\sigma^2)h_g(n_1, n_2)}{\sigma^4 \sum_{n_1} \sum_{n_2} h_g}$$

Note that `fspecial` shifts the equation to ensure that the sum of all elements of the kernel is zero (similar to the Laplace kernel) so that the convolution result of homogeneous regions is always zero.

Motion filters:

- 1 Construct an ideal line segment with the length and angle specified by the arguments `len` and `theta`, centered at the center coefficient of `h`.
- 2 For each coefficient location `(i, j)`, compute the nearest distance between that location and the ideal line segment.
- 3 `h = max(1 - nearest_distance, 0);`
- 4 Normalize `h`: `h = h / (sum(h(:)))`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `fspecial` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, all inputs must be constants at compilation time.

See Also

`conv2` | `del2` | `edge` | `filter2` | `fsamp2` | `fspecial3` | `fwind1` | `fwind2` | `imfilter` | `imsharpen`

Topics

“Filter Images Using Predefined Filters”

“What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?”

Introduced before R2006a

fspecial3

Create predefined 3-D filter

Syntax

```
h = fspecial3(type)
h = fspecial3('average',hsize)
h = fspecial3('ellipsoid',semiaxes)
h = fspecial3('gaussian',hsize,sigma)
h = fspecial3('laplacian',gamma1,gamma2)
h = fspecial3('log',hsize,sigma)
h = fspecial3('prewitt',direction)
h = fspecial3('sobel',direction)
```

Description

`h = fspecial3(type)` creates a three-dimensional filter `h` of the specified `type`. Some of the filter types have optional additional parameters, shown in the following syntaxes. `fspecial3` returns `h` as a correlation kernel, which is the appropriate form to use with `imfilter`.

`h = fspecial3('average',hsize)` returns an averaging filter `h` of size `hsize`. Not recommended. Use `imboxfilt3` instead.

`h = fspecial3('ellipsoid',semiaxes)` returns an ellipsoidal averaging filter with the length of the principal semiaxes specified by `semiaxes`. The filter `h` is returned in an array of size `2*ceil(semiaxes)+1`.

`h = fspecial3('gaussian',hsize,sigma)` returns a Gaussian lowpass filter of size `hsize` with standard deviation `sigma`. Not recommended. Use `imgaussfilt3` instead.

`h = fspecial3('laplacian',gamma1,gamma2)` returns a 3-by-3-by-3 filter approximating the shape of the three-dimensional Laplacian operator. `gamma1` and `gamma2` control the shape of the Laplacian [1][2].

`h = fspecial3('log',hsize,sigma)` returns a Laplacian of Gaussian filter of size `hsize` with standard deviation `sigma`.

`h = fspecial3('prewitt',direction)` returns a 3-by-3-by-3 filter that emphasizes gradients in the specified direction.

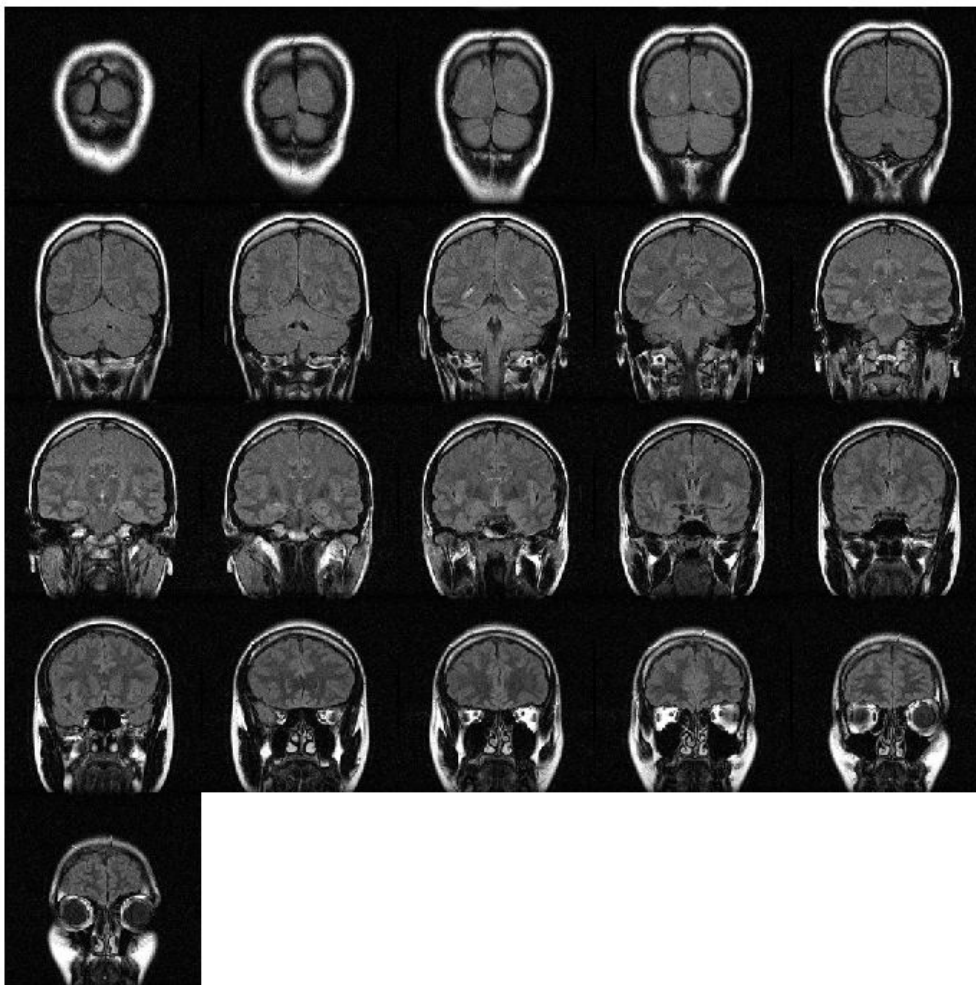
`h = fspecial3('sobel',direction)` returns a 3-by-3-by-3 filter that emphasizes gradients in the specified direction and smooths the other directions [3].

Examples

Smooth Volume Using 3-D Ellipsoidal Filter

Load a 3-D grayscale MRI volume. Display the planes of the volume.

```
load mrystack;  
montage(mrystack, 'BackgroundColor', 'w')
```



Create a 3-D ellipsoidal filter. Specify a semiaxis length of 7 pixels in the y (rows) and x (columns) directions, and a semiaxis length of 3 pixels in the z (planes) direction.

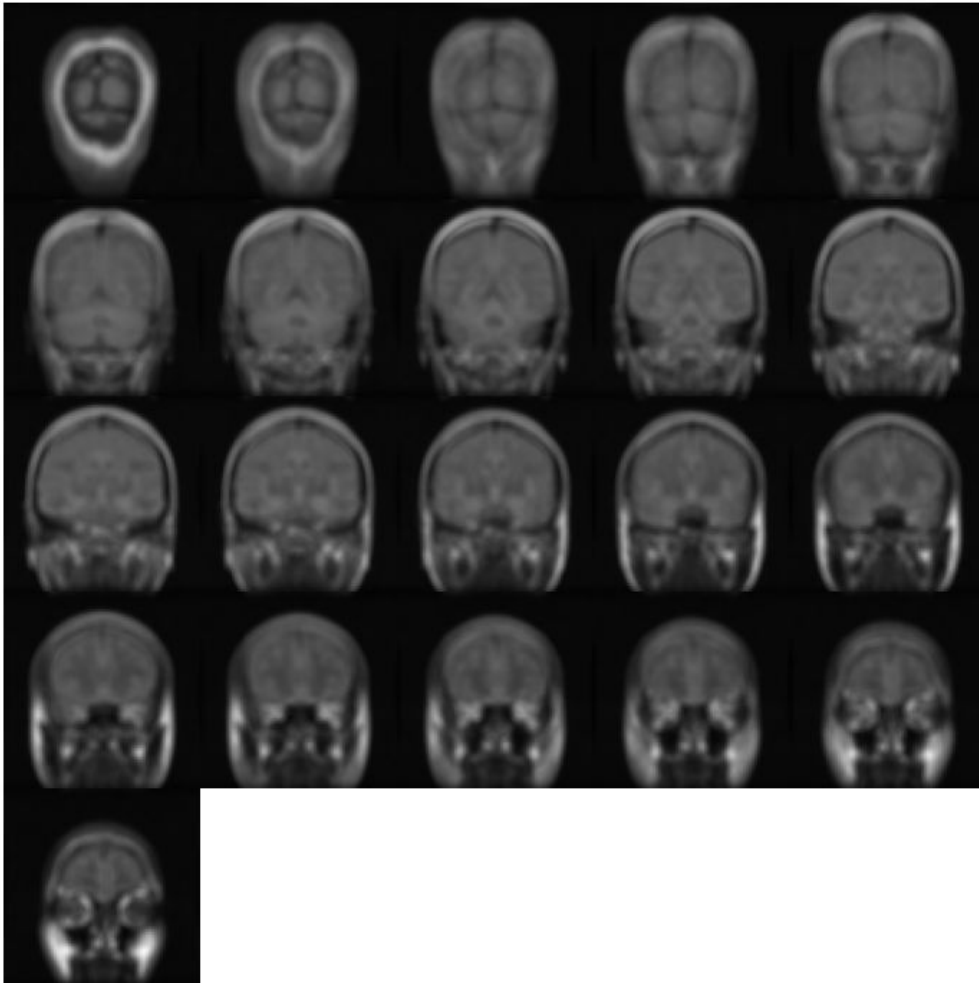
```
H = fspecial3('ellipsoid',[7 7 3]);
```

Smooth the volume with the filter.

```
volSmooth = imfilter(mristack,H,'replicate');
```

Display the planes of the smoothed volume.

```
montage(volSmooth, 'BackgroundColor', 'w')
```



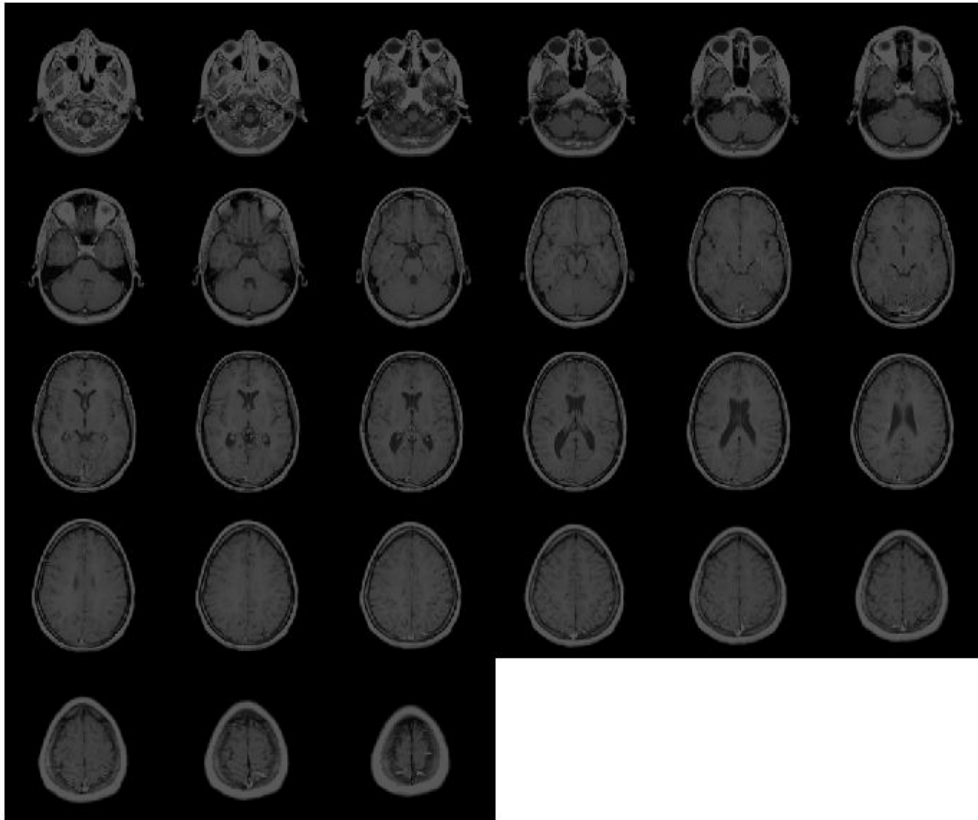
Detect Horizontal Edges Using 3-D Sobel Filter

Load an MRI volume. This volume is stored as a 4-D array with a singleton dimension. Create a 3-D grayscale volume by using the `squeeze` function to remove the singleton dimension.

```
load mri;  
V = squeeze(D);
```

Display the planes of the volume.

```
montage(D, 'BackgroundColor', 'w')
```



Create a 3-D Sobel filter that detects horizontal edges in the volume. Horizontal edges appear where there is a large gradient magnitude in the y direction, so specify the direction of the Sobel filter as 'Y'. The Sobel filter smooths the gradient in the x and z directions.

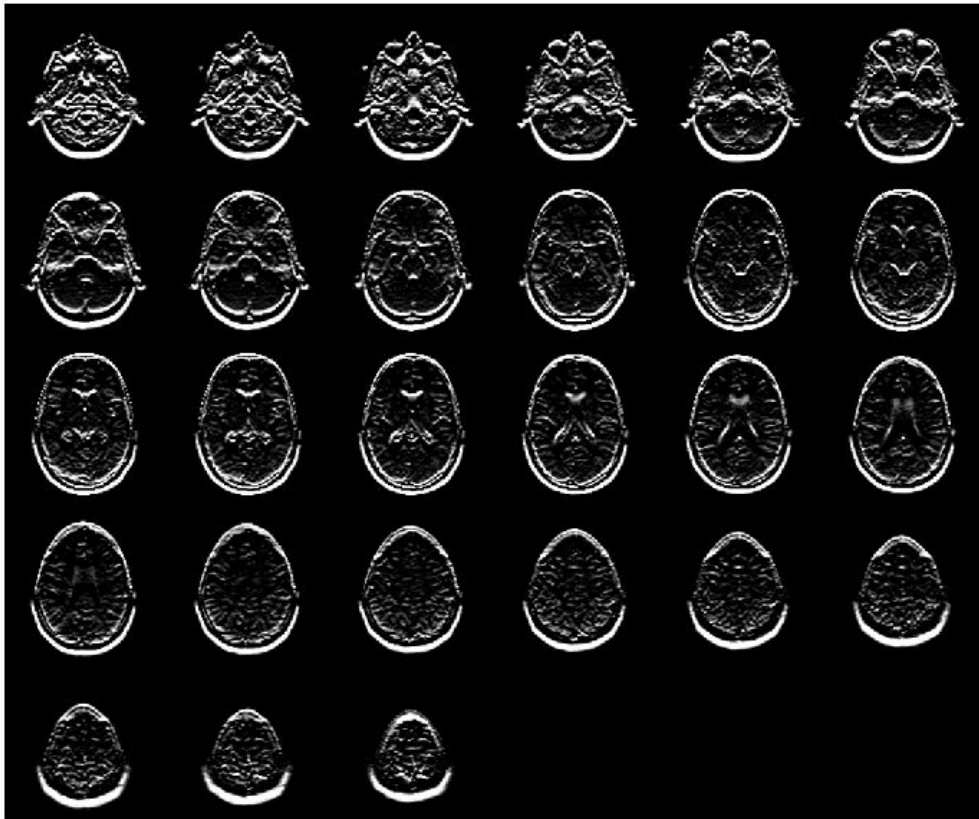
```
H = fspecial3('sobel','Y');
```

Filter the volume with the 3-D Sobel filter.

```
edgesHor = imfilter(V,H,'replicate');
```


Display the planes of the filtered volume.

```
montage(edgesHor)
```



Input Arguments

type — Type of filter

'average' | 'ellipsoid' | 'gaussian' | 'laplacian' | 'log' | 'prewitt' | 'sobel'

Type of filter, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'average'	Averaging filter. Not recommended. Use <code>imboxfilt3</code> instead.
'ellipsoid'	Ellipsoidal averaging filter
'gaussian'	Gaussian lowpass filter. Not recommended. Use <code>imgaussfilt3</code> instead.
'laplacian'	Approximates the three-dimensional Laplacian operator
'log'	Laplacian of Gaussian filter
'prewitt'	Prewitt edge-emphasizing filter
'sobel'	Sobel edge-emphasizing filter

Data Types: `char` | `string`

hsize — Size of the filter

[5 5 5] (default) | positive integer | 3-element vector of positive integers

Size of the filter, specified as a positive integer or 3-element vector of positive integers. Use a vector to specify the number of rows, columns, and planes in `h`. Use a scalar to specify the side length of a cube.

For the 'gaussian' and 'log' filter types, if you specify `hsize` as [], then `fspecial3` creates a filter with a default size of $2 \cdot \text{ceil}(2 \cdot \text{sigma}) + 1$.

Data Types: `double`

semiaxes — Semiaxes length of ellipsoidal filter

5 (default) | positive number | 3-element vector of positive numbers

Semiaxes length of an ellipsoidal filter, specified as a positive number or 3-element vector of positive numbers. Use a vector to specify the length of the three principal semiaxes in

rows, columns, and planes. These values correspond to length in the Cartesian y , x , and z directions, respectively. Use a scalar to specify the radius of a sphere.

Data Types: double

sigma — Standard deviation of Gaussian filter

1 (default) | positive number | 3-element vector of positive numbers

Standard deviation of Gaussian filter, specified as a positive number or 3-element vector of positive numbers. If you specify a scalar, then `fspecial3` creates a cubic Gaussian kernel.

Data Types: double

gamma1, gamma2 — Shape of the Laplacian

0 (default) | scalar in the range [0 1]

Shape of the Laplacian, specified as a scalar in the range [0 1]. The sum of `gamma1` and `gamma2` must not exceed 1.

Data Types: double

direction — Direction of gradients

'X' (default) | 'Y' | 'Z'

Direction of gradients for Prewitt and Sobel filtering, specified as 'X', 'Y', or 'Z'.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

h — Correlation kernel

numeric array

Correlation kernel, returned as a numeric array.

Data Types: double

References

- [1] Lindeberg, T., *Scale-Space Theory in Computer Vision*. Boston, MA: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1994.

[2] *Geometry-Driven Diffusion in Computer Vision*. Edited by B. M. ter Haar Romeny. Boston, MA: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1994.

[3] Engel, K., M. Hadwiger, J. M. Kniss, C. Rezk-Salama, and D. Weiskopf. *Real-Time Volume Graphics*. Wellesley, MA: A K Peters, Ltd., 2006, pp. 112-114.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

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Usage notes and limitations:

- `fspecial3` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, all inputs must be constants at compilation time.

See Also

`edge3` | `fspecial` | `imboxfilt3` | `imfilter` | `imgaussfilt3`

Topics

“What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?”

Introduced in R2018b

ftrans2

2-D FIR filter using frequency transformation

Syntax

```
h = ftrans2(b,t)
h = ftrans2(b)
```

Description

`h = ftrans2(b,t)` produces the two-dimensional FIR filter `h` that corresponds to the one-dimensional FIR filter `b` using the transform `t`. `b` must be a one-dimensional, Type I (even symmetric, odd-length) filter such as can be returned by `fir1`, `fir2`, or `firpm` in the Signal Processing Toolbox software. The transform matrix `t` contains coefficients that define the frequency transformation to use.

`h = ftrans2(b)` uses the McClellan transform matrix `t`.

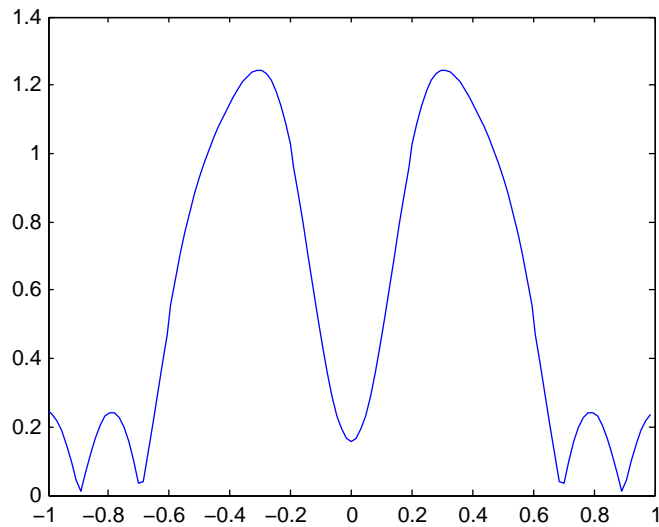
```
t = [1 2 1; 2 -4 2; 1 2 1]/8;
```

Examples

Design Circularly Symmetric 2-D Bandpass Filter

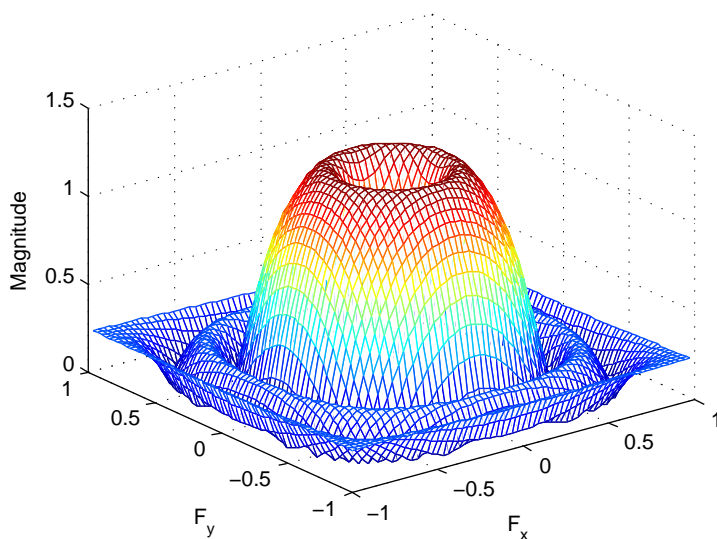
Use `ftrans2` to design an approximately circularly symmetric two-dimensional bandpass filter with passband between 0.1 and 0.6 (normalized frequency, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians). Since `ftrans2` transforms a one-dimensional FIR filter to create a two-dimensional filter, first design a one-dimensional FIR bandpass filter using the Signal Processing Toolbox function `firpm`.

```
colormap(jet(64))
b = firpm(10,[0 0.05 0.15 0.55 0.65 1],[0 0 1 1 0 0]);
[H,w] = freqz(b,1,128,'whole');
plot(w/pi-1,fftshift(abs(H)))
```



Use `ftrans2` with the default McClellan transformation to create the desired approximately circularly symmetric filter.

```
h = ftrans2(b);  
freqz(h)
```



Input Arguments

b — One-dimensional FIR filter

numeric matrix

1-D FIR filter, specified as a numeric matrix. **b** must be a 1-D Type I (even symmetric, odd-length) filter such as can be returned by `fir1`, `fir2`, or `firpm` in the Signal Processing Toolbox software,

Data Types: double

t — Transform matrix

McClellan transform matrix (default) | numeric matrix

The transform matrix, specified as a numeric matrix. **t** contains coefficients that define the frequency transformation to use.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

h — 2-D FIR filter

numeric matrix

2-D FIR filter, returned as a numeric matrix. `fttrans2` returns `h` as a computational molecule, which is the appropriate form to use with `filter2`. If `t` is `m`-by-`n` and `b` has length `Q`, then `h` is size $((m-1)*(Q-1)/2+1)$ -by- $((n-1)*(Q-1)/2+1)$.

Algorithms

The transformation below defines the frequency response of the two-dimensional filter returned by `fttrans2`.

$$H(\omega_1, \omega_2) = B(\omega) \Big|_{\cos \omega = T(\omega_1, \omega_2)},$$

where $B(\omega)$ is the Fourier transform of the one-dimensional filter `b`:

$$B(\omega) = \sum_{n=-N}^N b(n)e^{-j\omega n}$$

and $T(\omega_1, \omega_2)$ is the Fourier transform of the transformation matrix `t`:

$$T(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \sum_{n_2} \sum_{n_1} t(n_1, n_2)e^{-j\omega_1 n_1} e^{-j\omega_2 n_2}.$$

The returned filter `h` is the inverse Fourier transform of $H(\omega_1, \omega_2)$:

$$h(n_1, n_2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} H(\omega_1, \omega_2) e^{j\omega_1 n_1} e^{j\omega_2 n_2} d\omega_1 d\omega_2.$$

References

- [1] Lim, Jae S., *Two-Dimensional Signal and Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1990, pp. 218-237.

See Also

`conv2` | `filter2` | `fsamp2` | `fwind1` | `fwind2`

Topics

“Design Linear Filters in the Frequency Domain”

Introduced before R2006a

fwind1

2-D FIR filter using 1-D window method

Syntax

```
h = fwind1(Hd,win)
h = fwind1(Hd,win1,win2)
h = fwind1(f1,f2,Hd, ___ )
```

Description

`h = fwind1(Hd,win)` uses a 1-D window specification to design a two-dimensional FIR filter `h` based on the desired frequency response `Hd`. `fwind1` returns `h` as a computational molecule, which is the appropriate form to use with `filter2`. `fwind1` uses the one-dimensional window `win` to form an approximately circularly symmetric two-dimensional window using Huang's method.

`fwind1` works with 1-D windows only; use `fwind2` to work with two-dimensional windows.

`h = fwind1(Hd,win1,win2)` uses the two 1-D windows, `win1` and `win2`, to create a separable 2-D window. If `length(win1)` is `n` and `length(win2)` is `m`, then `h` is `m-by-n`. The length of the windows controls the size of the resulting filter.

`h = fwind1(f1,f2,Hd, ___)` lets you specify the desired frequency response `Hd` at arbitrary frequencies (`f1` and `f2`) along the `x`- and `y`-axes.

Examples

Create 2-D FIR Filter using 1-D Window Method

This example shows how to design an approximately circularly symmetric two-dimensional bandpass filter using a 1-D window method.

Create the frequency range vectors `f1` and `f2` using `freqspace`. These vectors have length 21.

```
[f1,f2] = freqspace(21, 'meshgrid');
```

Compute the distance of each position from the center frequency.

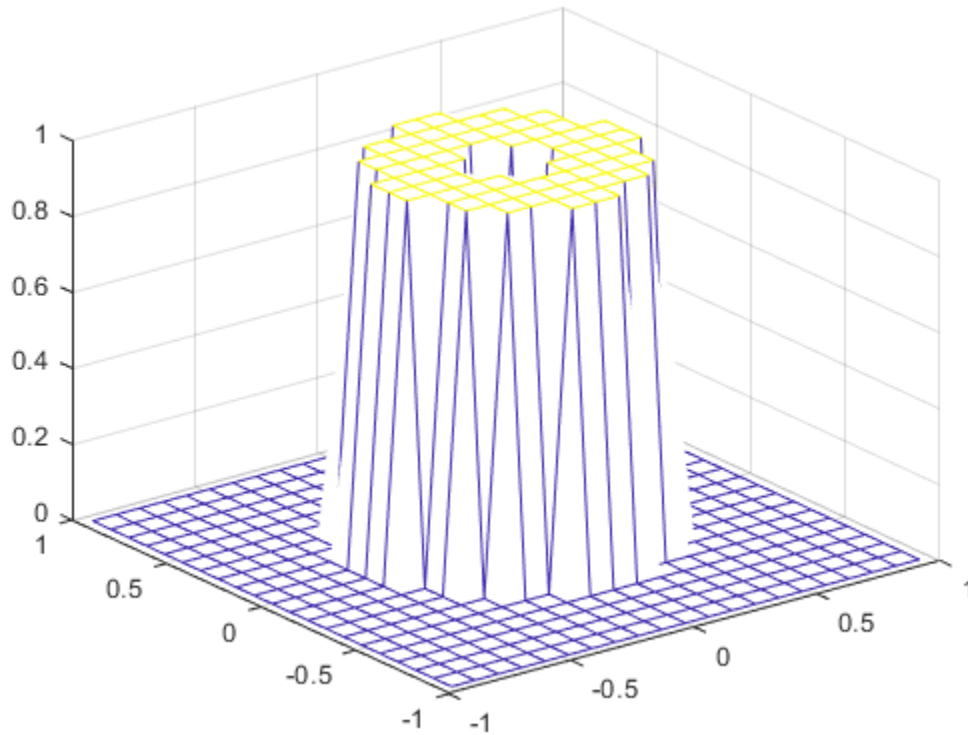
```
r = sqrt(f1.^2 + f2.^2);
```

Create a matrix `Hd` that contains the desired bandpass response. In this example, the desired passband is between 0.1 and 0.5 (normalized frequency, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians).

```
Hd = ones(21);  
Hd((r<0.1)|(r>0.5)) = 0;
```

Display the ideal bandpass response.

```
colormap(parula(64))  
mesh(f1, f2, Hd)
```

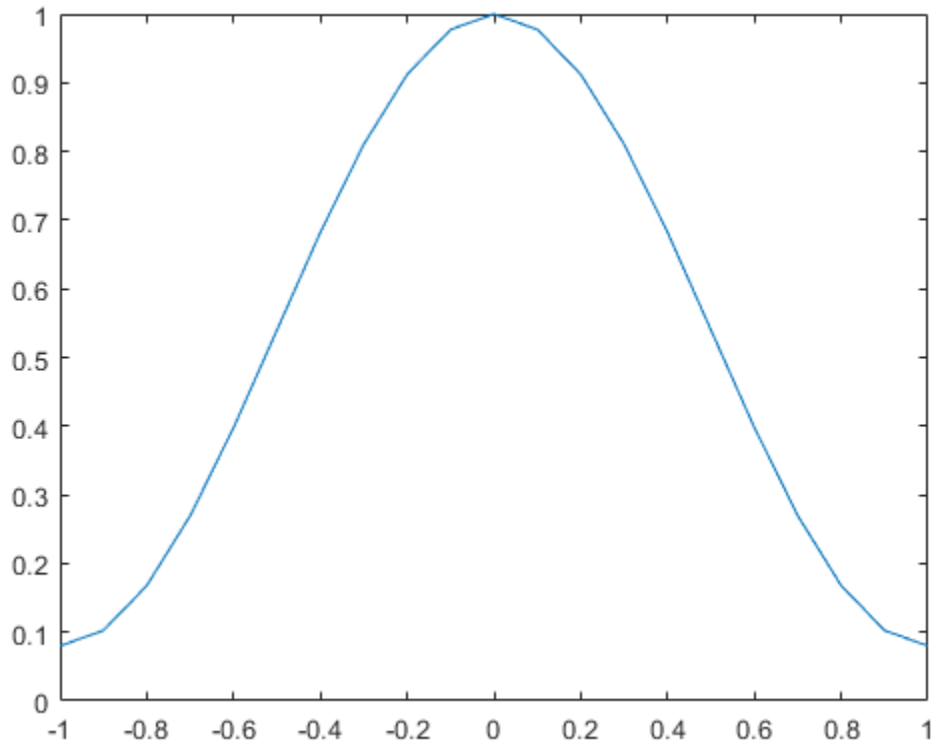


Design the 1-D window. This example uses a Hamming window of length 21.

```
win = 0.54 - 0.46*cos(2*pi*(0:20)/20);
```

Plot the 1-D window.

```
figure  
plot(linspace(-1,1,21),win);
```

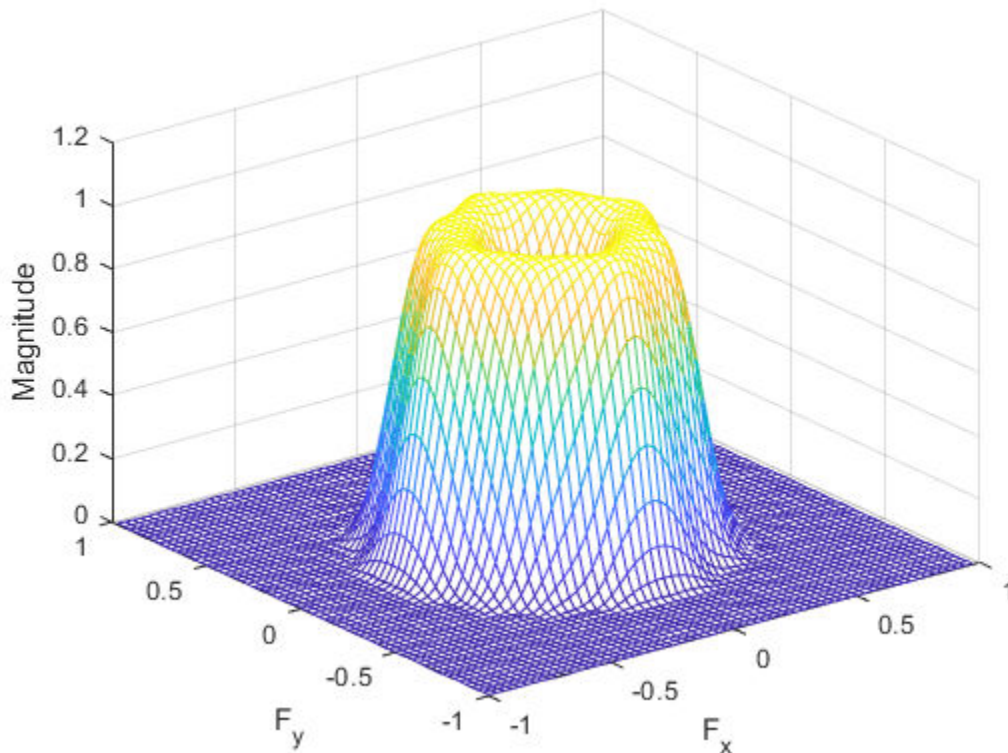


Using the 1-D window, design the filter that best produces this frequency response

```
h = fwind1(Hd,win);
```

Display the actual frequency response of this filter.

```
freqz2(h)
```



Input Arguments

Hd — Desired frequency response

numeric matrix

Desired frequency response, specified as a numeric matrix. Hd is sampled at equally spaced points between -1.0 and 1.0 (in normalized frequency, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians) along the x and y frequency axes. For accurate results, use frequency points returned by `freqspace` to create Hd.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

win — 1-D window

numeric matrix

1-D window, specified as a numeric matrix. You can specify `win` using windows from the Signal Processing Toolbox software, such as `boxcar`, `hamming`, `hanning`, `bartlett`, `blackman`, `kaiser`, or `chebwin`. If `length(win)` is `n`, then `h` is `n`-by-`n`. The length of the window controls the size of the resulting filter.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

win1 — 1-D window

numeric matrix

1-D window, specified as a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

win2 — 1-D window

numeric matrix

1-D window, specified as a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

f1 — Desired frequency along the x-axis

vector

Desired frequency along the x-axis. The frequency vector should be in the range -1.0 to 1.0, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

f2 — Desired frequency along the y-axis

vector

Desired frequency along the y-axis. The frequency vector should be in the range -1.0 to 1.0, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

h — 2-D FIR filter

2-D FIR filter, returned as a numeric matrix of class `double`, when the input `Hd` is of class `double` or any integer class. If `Hd` is of class `single`, the output matrix is of class `single`.

Algorithms

`fwind1` takes a one-dimensional window specification and forms an approximately circularly symmetric two-dimensional window using Huang's method,

$$w(n_1, n_2) = w(t)|_{t = \sqrt{n_1^2 + n_2^2}},$$

where $w(t)$ is the one-dimensional window and $w(n_1, n_2)$ is the resulting two-dimensional window.

Given two windows, `fwind1` forms a separable two-dimensional window:

$$w(n_1, n_2) = w_1(n_1)w_2(n_2).$$

`fwind1` calls `fwind2` with `Hd` and the two-dimensional window. `fwind2` computes `h` using an inverse Fourier transform and multiplication by the two-dimensional window:

$$h_d(n_1, n_2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} H_d(\omega_1, \omega_2) e^{j\omega_1 n_1} e^{j\omega_2 n_2} d\omega_1 d\omega_2$$

$$h(n_1, n_2) = h_d(n_1, n_2)w(n_2, n_2).$$

References

- [1] Lim, Jae S., *Two-Dimensional Signal and Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1990.

See Also

`conv2` | `filter2` | `freqspace` | `fsamp2` | `ftrans2` | `fwind2`

Topics

“Design Linear Filters in the Frequency Domain”

Introduced before R2006a

fwind2

2-D FIR filter using 2-D window method

Syntax

```
h = fwind2(Hd,win)
h = fwind2(f1,f2,Hd,win)
```

Description

`h = fwind2(Hd,win)` produces the two-dimensional FIR filter `h` using an inverse Fourier transform of the desired frequency response `Hd` and multiplication by the window `win`. `Hd` is a matrix containing the desired frequency response at equally spaced points in the Cartesian plane. `fwind2` returns `h` as a computational molecule, which is the appropriate form to use with `filter2`. `h` is the same size as `win`.

Use `fwind2` to design two-dimensional FIR filters using the window method. `fwind2` uses a two-dimensional window specification to design a two-dimensional FIR filter based on the desired frequency response `Hd`. `fwind2` works with two-dimensional windows; use `fwind1` to work with one-dimensional windows.

For accurate results, use frequency points returned by `freqspace` to create `Hd`.

`h = fwind2(f1,f2,Hd,win)` lets you specify the desired frequency response `Hd` at arbitrary frequencies (`f1` and `f2`) along the *x*- and *y*-axes. The frequency vectors `f1` and `f2` should be in the range -1.0 to 1.0, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians. `h` is the same size as `win`.

Examples

Create 2-D FIR Filter using 2-D Window Method

This example shows how to design an approximately circularly symmetric two-dimensional bandpass filter using a 2-D window method.

Create the frequency range vectors `f1` and `f2` using `freqspace`. These vectors have length 21.

```
[f1,f2] = freqspace(21, 'meshgrid');
```

Compute the distance of each position from the center frequency.

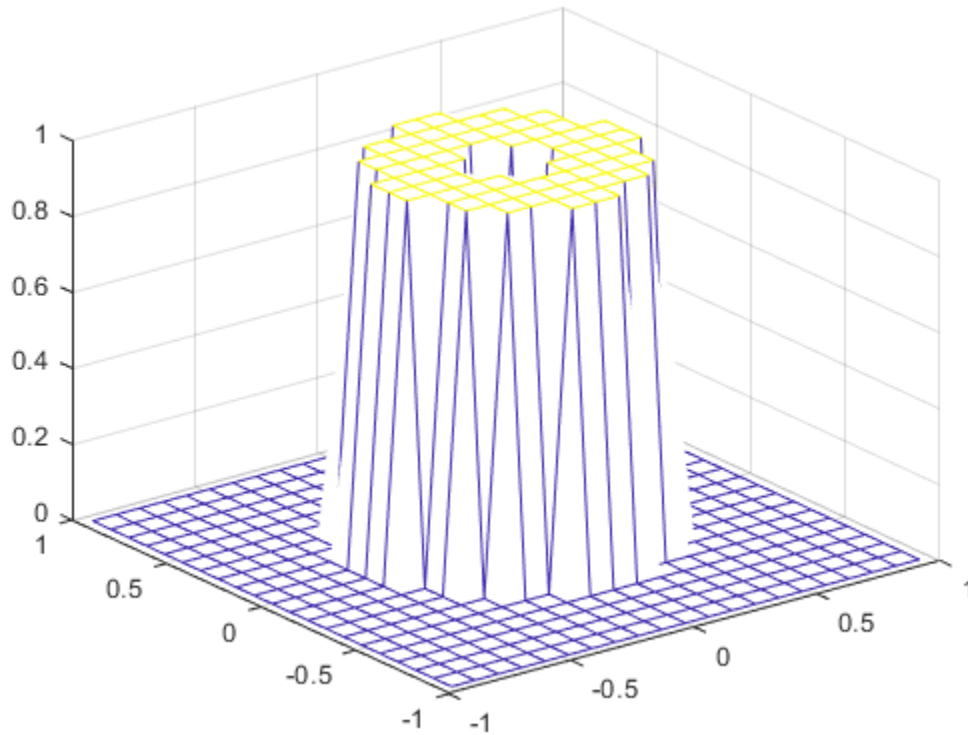
```
r = sqrt(f1.^2 + f2.^2);
```

Create a matrix `Hd` that contains the desired bandpass response. In this example, the desired passband is between 0.1 and 0.5 (normalized frequency, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians).

```
Hd = ones(21);  
Hd((r<0.1)|(r>0.5)) = 0;
```

Display the ideal bandpass response.

```
colormap(parula(64))  
mesh(f1,f2,Hd)
```

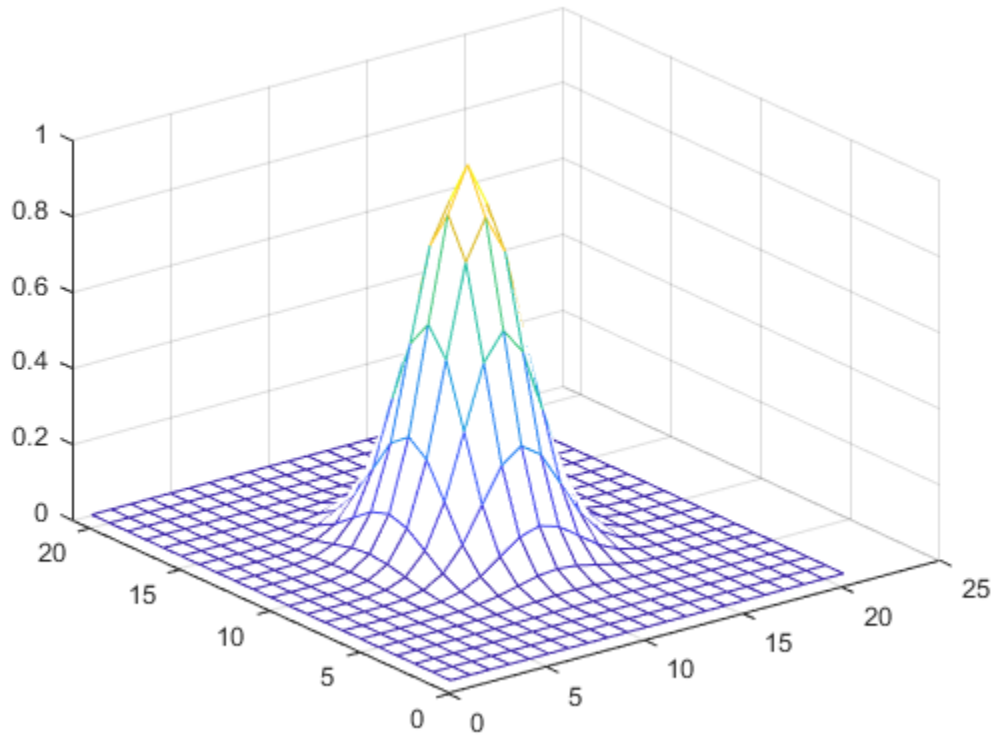


Create a 2-D Gaussian window using `fspecial`. Normalize the window.

```
win = fspecial('gaussian',21,2);  
win = win ./ max(win(:));
```

Display the window.

```
mesh(win)
```

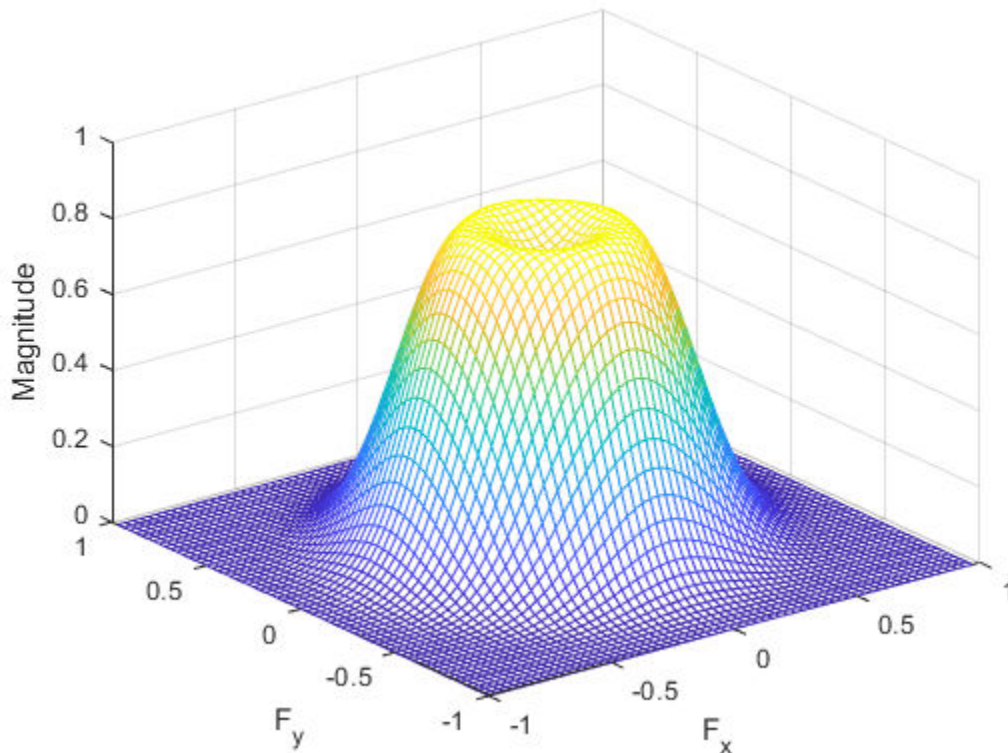


Using the 2-D window, design the filter that best produces the desired frequency response

```
h = fwind2(Hd,win);
```

Display the actual frequency response of this filter.

```
freqz2(h)
```



Input Arguments

Hd — Desired frequency response

numeric matrix

Desired frequency response, at equally spaced points in the Cartesian plane, specified as a numeric matrix. The input matrix Hd can be of class `double` or of any integer class. All other inputs to `fwind2` must be of class `double`. All outputs are of class `double`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

win — 2-D window

numeric matrix

2-D window, specified as a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

f1 — Desired frequency along the x-axis

vector

Desired frequency along the x -axis. The frequency vector should be in the range -1.0 to 1.0, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

f2 — Desired frequency along the y-axis

vector

Desired frequency along the y -axis. The frequency vector should be in the range -1.0 to 1.0, where 1.0 corresponds to half the sampling frequency, or π radians.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

h — 2-D FIR filter

numeric matrix

2-D FIR filter, returned as a numeric matrix.

Algorithms

fwind2 computes h using an inverse Fourier transform and multiplication by the two-dimensional window w .

$$h_d(n_1, n_2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} H_d(\omega_1, \omega_2) e^{j\omega_1 n_1} e^{j\omega_2 n_2} d\omega_1 d\omega_2$$

$$h(n_1, n_2) = h_d(n_1, n_2)w(n_1, n_2)$$

References

- [1] Lim, Jae S., *Two-Dimensional Signal and Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1990, pp. 202-213.

See Also

`conv2` | `filter2` | `freqspace` | `fsamp2` | `ftrans2` | `fwind1`

Introduced before R2006a

gabor

Create Gabor filter or Gabor filter bank

Syntax

```
g = gabor(wavelength,orientation)
g = gabor( ____,Name,Value,...)
```

Description

`g = gabor(wavelength,orientation)` creates a Gabor filter with the specified wavelength (in pixels/cycle) and orientation (in degrees). If you specify `wavelength` or `orientation` as vectors, `gabor` returns an array of `gabor` objects, called a filter bank, that contain all the unique combinations of `wavelength` and `orientation`. For example, if `wavelength` is a vector of length 2 and `orientation` is a vector of length 3, then the output array `g` is a vector of length 6. To apply the Gabor filters to an image, use the `imgaborfilt` function.

`g = gabor(____,Name,Value,...)` creates an array of Gabor filters using name-value pairs to control aspects of Gabor filter design. If you specify a vector of values, the output array `g` contains all the unique combinations of the input values.

Examples

Construct Gabor Filter Array and Apply to Input Image

Create a sample image of a checkerboard.

```
A = checkerboard(20);
```

Create an array of Gabor filters.

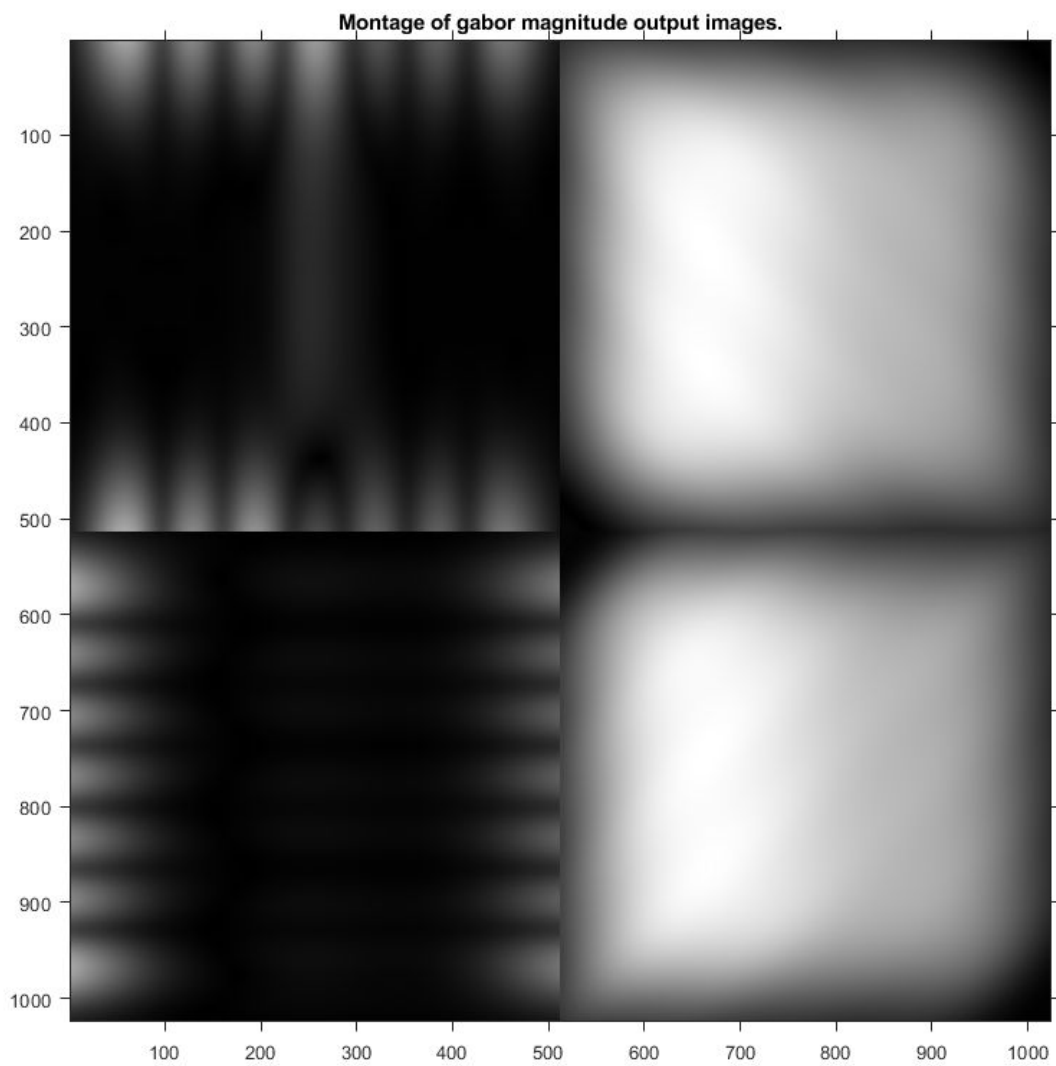
```
wavelength = 20;  
orientation = [0 45 90 135];  
g = gabor(wavelength,orientation);
```

Apply the filters to the checkerboard image.

```
outMag = imgaborfilt(A,g);
```

Display the results.

```
outSize = size(outMag);  
outMag = reshape(outMag,[outSize(1:2),1,outSize(3)]);  
figure, montage(outMag,'DisplayRange',[1]);  
title('Montage of gabor magnitude output images.');
```



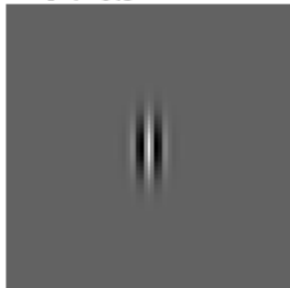
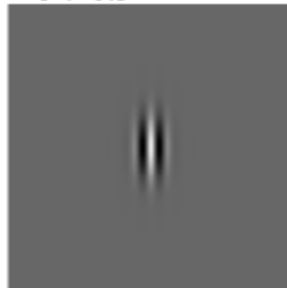
Construct Gabor Filter Array and Visualize Wavelength and Orientation

Create array of Gabor filters.

```
g = gabor([5 10],[0 90]);
```

Visualize the real part of the spatial convolution kernel of each Gabor filter in the array.

```
figure;  
subplot(2,2,1)  
for p = 1:length(g)  
    subplot(2,2,p);  
    imshow(real(g(p).SpatialKernel),[]);  
    lambda = g(p).Wavelength;  
    theta = g(p).Orientation;  
    title(sprintf('Re[h(x,y)], \\lambda = %d, \\theta = %d',lambda,theta));  
end
```

Re[h(x,y)], $\lambda = 5, \theta = 0$ **Re[h(x,y)], $\lambda = 10, \theta = 0$** **Re[h(x,y)], $\lambda = 5, \theta = 90$** **Re[h(x,y)], $\lambda = 10, \theta = 90$** 

Input Arguments

wavelength — Wavelength of sinusoid

numeric scalar in the range [2, Inf)

Wavelength of sinusoid, specified as a numeric scalar or vector, in pixels/cycle.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

orientation — Orientation of filter in degrees

numeric scalar in the range [0 180]

Orientation of filter in degrees, specified as a numeric scalar in the range [0 180], where the orientation is defined as the normal direction to the sinusoidal plane wave.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `g = gabor(4,90,'SpatialFrequencyBandwidth',1.5);`

SpatialFrequencyBandwidth — Define spatial-frequency bandwidth

1.0 (default) | numeric vector

A numeric vector that defines the spatial-frequency bandwidth in units of Octaves. The spatial-frequency bandwidth determines the cutoff of the filter response as frequency content in the input image varies from the preferred frequency, $1/\lambda$. Typical values for spatial-frequency bandwidth are in the range [0.5 2.5].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

SpatialAspectRatio — Aspect ratio of Gaussian in spatial domain

0.5 (default) | numeric scalar

Aspect ratio of Gaussian in spatial domain, specified as a numeric vector that defines the ratio of the semi-major and semi-minor axes of the Gaussian envelope: `semi-minor/semi-major`. This parameter controls the ellipticity of the Gaussian envelope. Typical values for spatial aspect ratio are in the range [0.23 0.92].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

g — Gabor filter array

Array of `gabor` objects

Gabor filter array, returned as an array of `gabor` objects.

See Also

`imgaborfilt`

Topics

“Texture Segmentation Using Gabor Filters”

Introduced in R2015b

geometricTransform2d

2-D geometric transformation object

Description

A `geometricTransform2d` object defines a custom 2-D geometric transformation using point-wise mapping functions.

Creation

Syntax

```
tform = geometricTransform2d(inverseFcn)  
tform = geometricTransform2d(inverseFcn, fowardFcn)
```

Description

`tform = geometricTransform2d(inverseFcn)` creates a `geometricTransform2d` object and sets the inverse mapping `InverseFcn` property.

`tform = geometricTransform2d(inverseFcn, fowardFcn)` also sets the forward mapping property, `ForwardFcn`.

Properties

InverseFcn — Inverse mapping function

function handle

Inverse mapping function, specified as a function handle. The function should accept and return coordinates as a n -by-2 numeric matrix representing the packed (x,y) coordinates of n points.

For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).


```
Example: ifcn = @(xy) [xy(:,1).^2, sqrt(xy(:,2))];
```

ForwardFcn — Forward mapping function

function handle

Forward mapping function, specified as a function handle. The function should accept and return coordinates as a n -by-2 numeric matrix representing the packed (x,y) coordinates of n points.

For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

```
Example: ffcn = @(xy) [sqrt(xy(:,1)), (xy(:,2).^2)];
```

Object Functions

transformPointsForward	Apply forward geometric transformation
transformPointsInverse	Apply inverse geometric transformation

Examples

Transform Packed Coordinates Using Custom 2-D Transformation

Specify the packed (x,y) coordinates of five input points. The packed coordinates are stored in a 5-by-2 matrix, where the x-coordinate of each point is in the first column, and the y-coordinate of each point is in the second column.

```
XY = [10 15;11 32;15 34;2 7;2 10];
```

Define the inverse mapping function. The function accepts and returns points in packed (x,y) format.

```
inversefn = @(c) [c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2)]
```

```
inversefn = function handle with value:  

    @(c)[c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2)]
```

Create a 2-D geometric transform object, `tform`, that stores the inverse mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform2d(inversefn)
```

```
tform =  
  geometricTransform2d with properties:  
      InverseFcn: @(c)[c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2)]  
      ForwardFcn: []  
      Dimensionality: 2
```

Apply the inverse geometric transform to the input points.

```
UV = transformPointsInverse(tform,XY)
```

```
UV = 5×2
```

```
    25    -5  
    43   -21  
    49   -19  
     9    -5  
    12    -8
```

Transform Coordinate Arrays Using Custom 2-D Transformation

Specify the x- and y-coordinates vectors of five points to transform.

```
x = [10 11 15 2 2];  
y = [15 32 34 7 10];
```

Define the inverse and forward mapping functions. Both functions accept and return points in packed (x,y) format.

```
inversefn = @(c) [c(:,1).^2,sqrt(c(:,2))];  
forwardfn = @(c) [sqrt(c(:,1)),c(:,2).^2];
```

Create a 2-D geometric transform object, `tform`, that stores the inverse mapping function and the optional forward mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform2d(inversefn,forwardfn)
```

```
tform =  
  geometricTransform2d with properties:
```

```

InverseFcn: @(c)[c(:,1).^2,sqrt(c(:,2))]
ForwardFcn: @(c)[sqrt(c(:,1)),c(:,2).^2]
Dimensionality: 2

```

Apply the inverse geometric transform to the input points.

```
[u,v] = transformPointsInverse(tform,x,y)
```

```
u = 1×5
```

```
100 121 225 4 4
```

```
v = 1×5
```

```
3.8730 5.6569 5.8310 2.6458 3.1623
```

Apply the forward geometric transform to the transformed points u and v.

```
[x,y] = transformPointsForward(tform,u,v)
```

```
x = 1×5
```

```
10 11 15 2 2
```

```
y = 1×5
```

```
15.0000 32.0000 34.0000 7.0000 10.0000
```

Transform Grayscale Image Using Custom 2-D Transformation

Define an inverse mapping function that applies anisotropic scaling. The function must accept and return packed (x,y) coordinates, where the x-coordinate of each point is in the first column, and the y-coordinate of each point is in the second column.

```

xscale = 0.3;
yscale = 0.5;
inversefn = @(xy) [xscale*xy(:,1), yscale*xy(:,2)];

```

Create a 2-D geometric transform object, `tform`, that stores the inverse mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform2d(inversefn)

tform =
  geometricTransform2d with properties:

    InverseFcn: @(xy)[xscale*xy(:,1),yscale*xy(:,2)]
    ForwardFcn: []
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Read an image to be transformed.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
imshow(I)
```



Use `imwarp` to apply the inverse geometric transform to the input image. The image is enlarged vertically by a factor of 2 (the inverse of `yscale`) and horizontally by a factor of $10/3$ (the inverse of `xscale`).

```
Itransformed = imwarp(I,tform);  
imshow(Itransformed)
```



Transform Color Image Using Custom 2-D Transformation

Define an inverse mapping function that accepts packed (x,y) coordinates, where the x -coordinate of each point is in the first column, and the y -coordinate of each point is in the second column. The inverse mapping function in this example takes the square of the polar radial component.

```
r = @(c) sqrt(c(:,1).^2 + c(:,2).^2);  
w = @(c) atan2(c(:,2), c(:,1));
```

```
f = @(c) [r(c).^2 .* cos(w(c)), r(c).^2 .* sin(w(c))];  
g = @(c) f(c);
```

Create a 2-D geometric transform object, `tform`, that stores the inverse mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform2d(g);
```

Read a color image to be transformed.

```
I = imread('peppers.png');  
imshow(I)
```



Create an `imref2d` object, specifying the size and world limits of the input and output images.

```
Rin = imref2d(size(I),[-1 1],[-1 1]);  
Rout = imref2d(size(I),[-1 1],[-1 1]);
```

Apply the inverse geometric transform to the input image.

```
Itransformed = imwarp(I,Rin,tform,'OutputView',Rout);  
imshow(Itransformed)
```



See Also

`affine2d` | `geometricTransform3d` | `imwarp` | `projective2d`

Topics

“2-D and 3-D Geometric Transformation Process Overview”

Introduced in R2018b

geometricTransform3d

3-D geometric transformation object

Description

A `geometricTransform3d` object defines a custom 3-D geometric transformation using point-wise mapping functions.

Creation

Syntax

```
tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn)
tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn, forwardFcn)
```

Description

`tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn)` creates a `geometricTransform3d` object, and sets the value of inverse mapping function property, `InverseFcn` to `inverseFcn`.

`tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn, forwardFcn)` also sets the value of forward mapping function property, `ForwardFcn` to `forwardFcn`.

Properties

InverseFcn — Inverse mapping function

function handle

Inverse mapping function, specified as a function handle. The function must accept and return coordinates as an n -by-3 numeric matrix representing the packed (x,y,z) coordinates of n points.

For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

Example: `ifcn = @(xyz) [xyz(:,1).^2,xyz(:,2).^2,xyz(:,3).^2];`

ForwardFcn — Forward mapping function

function handle

Forward mapping function, specified as a function handle. The function must accept and return coordinates as an n -by-3 numeric matrix representing the packed (x,y,z) coordinates of n points.

For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

Example: `ffcn = @(xyz) [sqrt(xyz(:,1)),sqrt(xyz(:,2)),sqrt(xyz(:,3))];`

Object Functions

`transformPointsForward` Apply forward geometric transformation

`transformPointsInverse` Apply inverse geometric transformation

Examples

Transform Packed Coordinates Using Custom 3-D Transformation

Specify the packed (x,y,z) coordinates of five input points. The packed coordinates are stored as a 5-by-3 matrix, where the first, second, and third columns contain the x -, y -, and z - coordinates, respectively.

```
XYZ = [5 25 20;10 5 25;15 10 5;20 15 10;25 20 15];
```

Define an inverse mapping function that accepts and returns points in packed (x,y,z) format.

```
inverseFcn = @(c) [c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2),c(:,3).^2];
```

Create a 3-D geometric transformation object, `tform`, that stores this inverse mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn)
```

```
tform =  
    geometricTransform3d with properties:
```

```

InverseFcn: @(c)[c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2),c(:,3).^2]
ForwardFcn: []
Dimensionality: 3

```

Apply the inverse transformation of this 3-D geometric transformation to the input points.

```
UVW = transformPointsInverse(tform,XYZ)
```

```
UVW = 5×3
```

```

30   -20   400
15     5   625
25     5    25
35     5   100
45     5   225

```

Transform Coordinate Arrays Using Custom 3-D Transformation

Specify the x-, y- and the z-coordinate vectors of five points to transform.

```

x = [3 5 7 9 11];
y = [2 4 6 8 10];
z = [5 9 13 17 21];

```

Define the inverse and forward mapping functions that accept and return points in packed (x,y,z) format.

```

inverseFcn = @(c)[c(:,1).^2,c(:,2).^2,c(:,3).^2];
forwardFcn = @(c)[sqrt(c(:,1)),sqrt(c(:,2)),sqrt(c(:,3))];

```

Create a 3-D geometric transformation object, `tform`, that stores these inverse and forward mapping functions.

```
tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn,forwardFcn)
```

```
tform =
geometricTransform3d with properties:
```

```

InverseFcn: @(c)[c(:,1).^2,c(:,2).^2,c(:,3).^2]

```

```
ForwardFcn: @(c)[sqrt(c(:,1)),sqrt(c(:,2)),sqrt(c(:,3))]  
Dimensionality: 3
```

Apply the inverse transformation of this 3-D geometric transformation to the input points.

```
[u,v,w] = transformPointsInverse(tform,x,y,z)
```

```
u = 1×5
```

```
    9    25    49    81   121
```

```
v = 1×5
```

```
    4    16    36    64   100
```

```
w = 1×5
```

```
   25    81   169   289   441
```

Apply the forward geometric transform to the transformed points *u*, *v*, and *w*.

```
[x,y,z] = transformPointsForward(tform,u,v,w)
```

```
x = 1×5
```

```
    3    5    7    9   11
```

```
y = 1×5
```

```
    2    4    6    8   10
```

```
z = 1×5
```

```
    5    9   13   17   21
```

Transform 3-D Volumetric Image Using Custom 3-D Transformation

Define an inverse mapping function that performs reflection about horizontal axis. The function must accept and return packed (x,y,z) coordinates, where the first, second, and third columns contain the x -, y -, and z -coordinates, respectively.

```
inverseFcn = @(xyz)[xyz(:,1), -xyz(:,2), xyz(:,3)];
```

Create a 3-D geometric transformation object, `tform`, that stores this inverse mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn)
```

```
tform =
    geometricTransform3d with properties:
        InverseFcn: @(xyz)[xyz(:,1), -xyz(:,2), xyz(:,3)]
        ForwardFcn: []
        Dimensionality: 3
```

Load and display an MRI volume to be transformed.

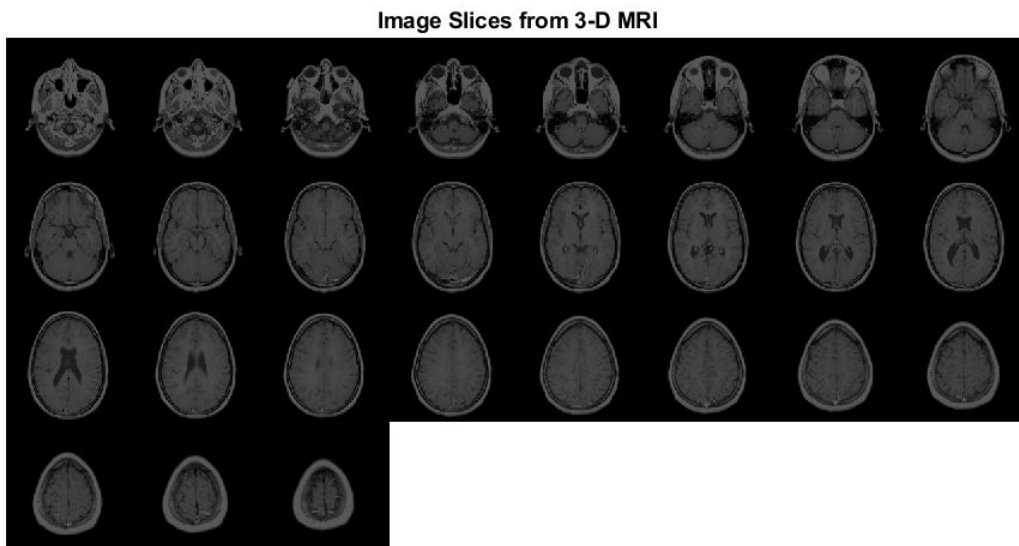
```
s = load('mri');
mriVolume = squeeze(s.D);
```

Use `imwarp` to apply the inverse geometric transform to the input MRI volume.

```
[mriVolumeTransformed] = imwarp(mriVolume,tform,'nearest','SmoothEdges',true);
```

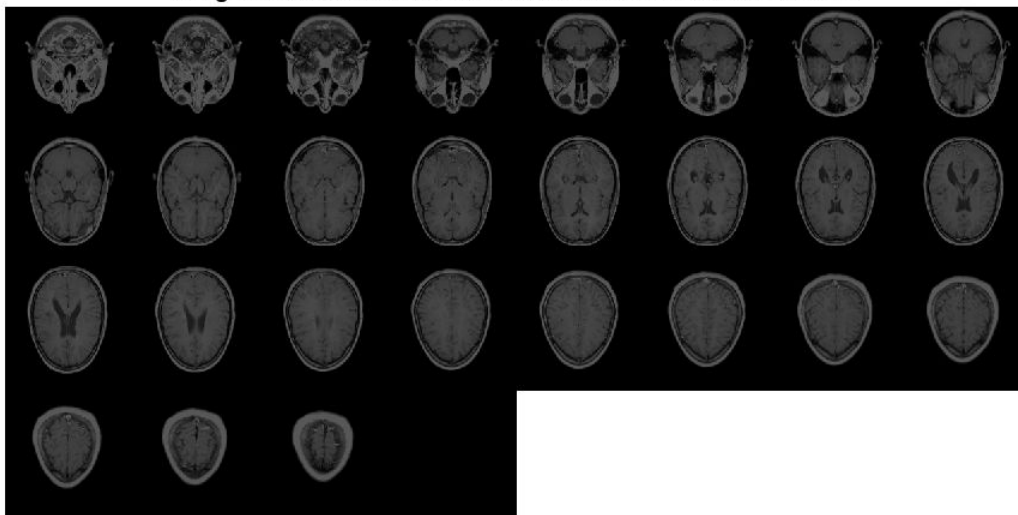
Display the image slices from the input MRI volume as montage.

```
montage(mriVolume,'Size',[4 8],'BackgroundColor','w')
title('Image Slices from 3-D MRI','FontSize',14)
```



Display the image slices from the transformed MRI volume as a montage. The transformed image slices are the reflection of the input image slices across the x-axis.

```
montage(mriVolumeTransformed, 'Size', [4 8], 'BackgroundColor', 'w')  
title('Image Slices from Inverse Geometric Transformation of 3-D MRI', 'FontSize', 14)
```

Image Slices from Inverse Geometric Transformation of 3-D MRI

See Also

[affine2d](#) | [affine3d](#) | [geometricTransform2d](#) | [imwarp](#) | [projective2d](#)

Topics

“2-D and 3-D Geometric Transformation Process Overview”

Introduced in R2018b

getheight

Height of structuring element

Note `getheight` will be removed in a future release. See `strel` for the current list of methods.

Syntax

```
h = getheight(SE)
```

Description

`h = getheight(SE)` returns the height of all neighbors of structuring element `SE`.

Examples

Get Height of Arbitrary Structuring Element

```
se = strel(ones(3,3),magic(3));  
getheight(se)
```

```
ans =
```

```
     8     1     6  
     3     5     7  
     4     9     2
```

Input Arguments

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object

Structuring element, specified as a `strel` object.

Output Arguments

h — Height

numeric matrix

Height of the structuring element SE, returned as a numeric matrix of the same size as `getnhood(SE)`. For a flat structuring element, h is all zeros.

Data Types: double

See Also

`strel`

Topics

“Structuring Elements”

Introduced before R2006a

getimage

Image data from axes

Syntax

```
I = getimage(h)
[x,y,I] = getimage(h)
[ ____,flag] = getimage(h)
[ ____ ] = getimage
```

Description

`I = getimage(h)` returns the first image data contained in the graphics object `h`.

`[x,y,I] = getimage(h)` also returns the image extent in the `x` and `y` direction.

`[____,flag] = getimage(h)` also returns a flag that indicates the type of image that `h` contains.

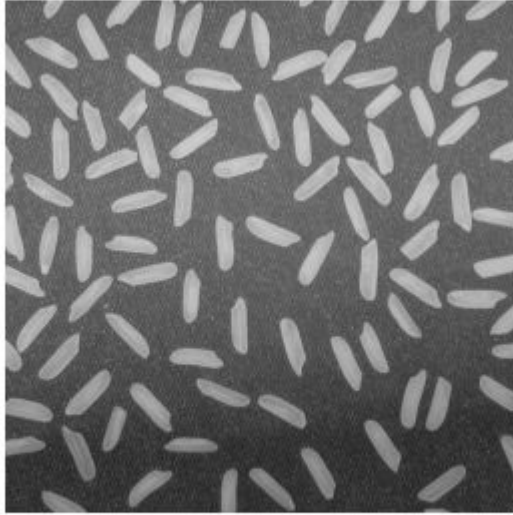
`[____] = getimage` returns information for the current axes object.

Examples

Import Data into Workspace from Image Displayed in Figure or App

Display image directly from a file using `imshow` and create a variable in the workspace that contains the image data.

```
imshow rice.png
```



```
I = getimage;
```

Display image directly from a file using the Image Viewer app (`imtool`) and create a variable in the workspace that contains the image data.

```
h = imtool('cameraman.tif');
```



```
I = getimage(imgca);
```

Input Arguments

h — Handle to graphics object

handle

Handle to a figure, axes, uipanel, or image graphics object, specified as a handle. If **h** is an axes or figure handle containing multiple images, then `getimage` uses the first image returned by `findobj(h, 'Type', 'image')`.

Output Arguments

I — Image data

numeric array

Image data, returned as a numeric array. **I** is identical to the image **CData**; it contains the same values and is of the same class as the image **CData**. If **h** is not an image or does not contain an image, then **I** is empty.

x — Image extent in x direction

2-element numeric vector

Image extent in the **x** direction, returned as a 2-element numeric vector of the form [**xmin** **xmax**]. **x** is identical to the image **XData**.

Data Types: double

y — Image extent in y direction

2-element numeric vector

Image extent in the **y** direction, returned as a 2-element numeric vector of the form [**ymin** **ymax**]. **y** is identical to the image **YData**.

Data Types: double

flag — Image type

integer

Image type, returned as an integer with one of these values:

Flag	Type of Image
0	Not an image; I is returned as an empty matrix
1	Indexed image
2	Intensity image with values in standard range. The standard range for single and double images is [0,1].
3	Intensity data, but not in standard range
4	RGB image
5	Binary image

Data Types: double

See Also

`imshow` | `imshow`

Introduced before R2006a

getimagemodel

Image model object from image object

Syntax

```
imgmodel = getimagemodel(himage)
```

Description

`imgmodel = getimagemodel(himage)` returns the image model object associated with `himage`. `himage` must be a handle to an image object or an array of handles to image objects.

The return value `imgmodel` is an image model object. If `himage` is an array of handles to image objects, `imgmodel` is an array of image models.

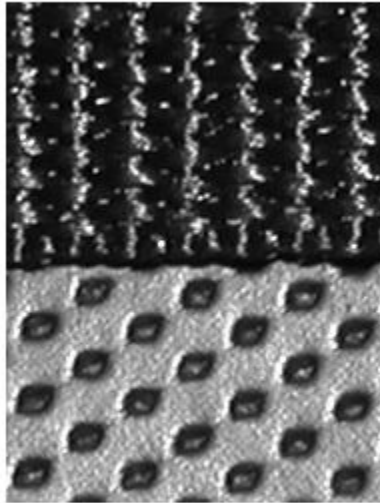
If `himage` does not have an associated image model object, `getimagemodel` creates one.

Examples

Retrieve `imagemodel` Object Associated with Image

Read an image into the workspace.

```
h = imshow('bag.png');
```



Retrieve the image model associated with this image.

```
imgmodel = getimagemodel(h)
```

```
imgmodel =
```

IMAGEMODEL object accessing an image with these properties:

```
ClassType: 'uint8'  
DisplayRange: [0 255]  
ImageHeight: 250  
ImageType: 'intensity'  
ImageWidth: 189  
MinIntensity: 0  
MaxIntensity: 255
```


See Also

imagemodel

Introduced before R2006a

getline

Select polyline with mouse

Note `getline` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
[xi,yi] = getline
[xi,yi] = getline(fig)
[xi,yi] = getline(ax)
[xi,yi] = getline( ____, 'closed')
```

Description

`[xi,yi] = getline` lets you select a polyline in the current figure using the mouse. When you finish selecting the polyline, `getline` returns the coordinates of the polyline endpoints in `xi` and `yi`.

Use normal button clicks to add points to the polyline. A shift-, right-, or double-click adds a final point and ends the polyline selection. Pressing **Return** or **Enter** ends the polyline selection without adding a final point. Pressing **Backspace** or **Delete** removes the previously selected point from the polyline.

`[xi,yi] = getline(fig)` lets you select a polyline in the current axes of figure `fig`, using the mouse.

`[xi,yi] = getline(ax)` lets you select a polyline in axes `ax`, using the mouse.

`[xi,yi] = getline(____, 'closed')` animates and returns a closed polygon.

Input Arguments

fig — Figure handle

handle

Figure handle, specified as a handle.

ax — Axes handle

handle

Axes handle, specified as a handle.

Output Arguments

xi — x-coordinates of selected polyline endpoints

numeric vector

x-coordinates of selected polyline endpoints, returned as a numeric vector.

Data Types: double

yi — y-coordinates of selected polyline endpoints

numeric vector

y-coordinates of selected polyline endpoints, returned as a numeric vector.

Data Types: double

See Also

getpts | getrect | imline

Introduced before R2006a

getneighbors

Structuring element neighbor locations and heights

Note `getneighbors` will be removed in a future release. See `strel` for the current list of functions recommended for use with structuring elements.

Syntax

```
[offsets,heights] = getneighbors(SE)
```

Description

`[offsets,heights] = getneighbors(SE)` returns the relative locations and corresponding heights for each of the neighbors in the structuring element SE.

Examples

Get Neighbor Location and Height of 2-D Structuring Element

Create a nonflat 2-D structuring element with two neighbors.

```
se = strel('arbitrary',[1 0 1],[5 0 -5]);
```

Get the row and column offset of each neighbor from the center of the structuring element. Also get the heights of the neighbors.

```
[offsets,heights] = getneighbors(se)
```

```
offsets =
```

```
    0    -1  
    0     1
```

```
heights =  
      5  -5
```

Input Arguments

SE — Structuring element

strel object

Structuring element, specified as a strel object with P neighbors and dimensionality N .

Output Arguments

offsets — Position of neighbors

P -by- N matrix

Position of neighbors relative to the center of the structuring element, in pixels, returned as a P -by- N matrix.

Data Types: double

heights — Height of neighbors

P -by-1 column vector

Height of neighbors, returned as a P -by-1 column vector.

Data Types: double

See Also

Topics

“Structuring Elements”

Introduced before R2006a

getnhood

Get structuring element neighborhood

Note `getnhood` will be removed in a future release. See `strel` for the current list of methods.

Syntax

```
nhood = getnhood(SE)
```

Description

`nhood = getnhood(SE)` returns the neighborhood associated with the structuring element `SE`.

Examples

Get Neighborhood of Flat Structuring Element

```
se = strel(eye(5));  
nhood = getnhood(se)
```

```
nhood =
```

```
5×5 logical array
```

```
 1  0  0  0  0  
 0  1  0  0  0  
 0  0  1  0  0
```

```
0 0 0 1 0
0 0 0 0 1
```

Input Arguments

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object | `offsetstrel` object

Structuring element, specified as a `strel` or `offsetstrel` object.

Output Arguments

nhood — Neighborhood of structuring element

logical array

Neighborhood of structuring element, returned as a logical array.

Note If SE is an `offsetstrel` object, then `nhood` indicates which pixels are in the neighborhood but does not return the offset of the pixels. You can get the offset from the property `SE.Offset`.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

Topics

“Structuring Elements”

Introduced before R2006a

getpts

Specify points with mouse

Note `getpts` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
[xi,yi] = getpts  
[xi,yi] = getpts(fig)  
[xi,yi] = getpts(ax)
```

Description

`[xi,yi] = getpts` lets you choose points in the current figure using the mouse. When you finish selecting points, `getpts` returns the coordinates of the selected points in `xi` and `yi`.

Use normal button clicks to add points. A shift-, right-, or double-click adds a final point and ends the selection. Pressing **Return** or **Enter** ends the selection without adding a final point. Pressing **Backspace** or **Delete** removes the previously selected point.

`[xi,yi] = getpts(fig)` lets you choose points in the current axes of figure `fig`, using the mouse.

`[xi,yi] = getpts(ax)` lets you choose points in axes `ax`, using the mouse.

Examples

Select Points in Image Interactively

Display an image using `imshow`.


```
figure  
imshow('moon.tif')
```

Call `getpts` to choose points interactively in the displayed image using the mouse. Double-click to complete your selection. When you are done, `getpts` returns the coordinates of your points.

```
[x,y] = getpts
```

Input Arguments

fig — Figure handle

handle

Figure handle, specified as a handle.

ax — Axes handle

handle

Axes handle, specified as a handle.

Output Arguments

xi — x-coordinates of sampled points

numeric vector

x-coordinates of sampled points, returned as a numeric vector.

Data Types: double

yi — y-coordinates of sampled points

numeric vector

y-coordinates of sampled points, returned as a numeric vector.

Data Types: double

See Also

`getline` | `getrect` | `impixel` | `impoint`

Introduced before R2006a

getrangefromclass

Default display range of image based on its class

Syntax

```
range = getrangefromclass(I)
```

Description

`range = getrangefromclass(I)` returns the default display range of the image `I`, based on its class type.

Examples

Get Default Display Range of Image

Read 16-bit DICOM image into the workspace.

```
CT = dicomread('CT-MONO2-16-ankle.dcm');
```

Get the display range from the image.

```
r = getrangefromclass(CT)
```

```
r = 1×2
```

```
    -32768     32767
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array | logical array

Input image, specified as a numeric array or logical array.

Output Arguments

range — Display range

2-element numeric vector

Display range, returned as a 2-element numeric vector of the form `[min max]`.

- For `single` and `double` data, `getrangefromclass` returns the range `[0 1]` to be consistent with the way `double` and `single` images are interpreted in MATLAB.
- For integer data, `getrangefromclass` returns the minimum and maximum representable values for that integer class. For example, if the class is `uint8`, the dynamic range is `[0 255]`.
- For `logical` data, `getrangefromclass` returns the range `[0 1]`.

Data Types: `double`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `getrangefromclass` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

See Also

`intmax` | `intmin`

Topics

“Image Types in the Toolbox”

Introduced before R2006a

getrect

Specify rectangle with mouse

Note `getrect` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
rect = getrect
rect = getrect(fig)
rect = getrect(ax)
```

Description

`rect = getrect` lets you select a rectangle in the current axes using the mouse. When you finish selecting the rectangle, `getrect` returns information about the position and size of the rectangle in `rect`.

Use the mouse to click and drag the desired rectangle. To constrain the rectangle to be a square, use a shift- or right-click to begin the drag.

`rect = getrect(fig)` lets you select a rectangle in the current axes of figure `fig`, using the mouse.

`rect = getrect(ax)` lets you select a rectangle in axes `ax`, using the mouse.

Examples

Select Rectangle in Image Interactively

Display an image using `imshow`.

```
imshow('moon.tif')
```

Choose points interactively in the displayed image using the mouse. When you are done, `getrect` returns the size and position of your rectangle.

```
rect = getrect
```

Input Arguments

fig — Figure handle

handle

Figure handle, specified as a handle.

ax — Axes handle

handle

Axes handle, specified as a handle.

Output Arguments

rect — Selected rectangle

4-element numeric vector

Selected rectangle, returned as a 4-element numeric vector with the form `[xmin ymin width height]`.

See Also

`getline` | `getpts` | `imrect`

Introduced before R2006a

getsequence

Sequence of decomposed structuring elements

Note `getsequence` will be removed in a future release. See `strel` for the current list of methods.

Syntax

`SEQ = getsequence(SE)`

Description

`SEQ = getsequence(SE)` returns the array of structuring elements `SEQ`, containing the individual structuring elements that form the decomposition of `SE`.

Examples

Decompose Square Structuring Element

The `strel` function uses decomposition for square structuring elements larger than 3-by-3. Use `getsequence` to extract the decomposed structuring elements.

```
se = strel('square',5)
```

```
se =
```

```
strel is a square shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Neighborhood: [5x5 logical]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

```
seq = getsequence(se)
```

```
seq =
```

```
    2x1 strel array with properties:
```



```
Neighborhood
Dimensionality
```

Use `imdilate` with the `'full'` option to confirm that dilating sequentially with the decomposed structuring elements forms a 5-by-5 square:

```
imdilate(1,seq,'full')
```

```
ans =
```

```

1     1     1     1     1
1     1     1     1     1
1     1     1     1     1
1     1     1     1     1
1     1     1     1     1
```

Input Arguments

SE — Structuring elements

array of `strel` objects

Structuring elements, specified as an array of `strel` objects.

Output Arguments

SEQ — Decomposed structuring elements

array of `strel` objects

Decomposed structuring elements, returned as an array of `strel` objects. The elements of SEQ have no further decomposition.

See Also

`strel`

Topics

“Structuring Elements”

Introduced before R2006a

grabcut

Segment image into foreground and background using iterative graph-based segmentation

Syntax

```
BW = grabcut(A,L,ROI)
BW = grabcut(A,L,ROI,foremask,backmask)
BW = grabcut(A,L,ROI,foreind,backind)
BW = grabcut(V, ___)
BW = grabcut( ___,Name,Value)
```

Description

`BW = grabcut(A,L,ROI)` segments the image `A` into foreground and background regions. The label matrix `L` specifies the subregions of the image. `ROI` is a logical mask designating the initial region of interest.

`BW = grabcut(A,L,ROI,foremask,backmask)` segments the image `A`, where `foremask` and `backmask` are masks designating pixels in the image as foreground and background, respectively.

`BW = grabcut(A,L,ROI,foreind,backind)` segments the image `A`, where `foreind` and `backind` specify the linear indices of the pixels in the image marked as foreground and background, respectively.

`BW = grabcut(V, ___)` segments the volume `V` into foreground and background regions.

`BW = grabcut(___,Name,Value)` segments the image using name-value pairs to control aspects of the segmentation.

Examples

Segment Foreground from Background in Image Using Grabcut

Read an RGB image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('peppers.png');
```

Generate label matrix.

```
L = superpixels(RGB,500);
```

Specify a region of interest and create a mask image.

```
figure  
imshow(RGB)  
h1 = impoly(gca,[72,105; 1,231; 0,366; 104,359; ...  
394,307; 518,343; 510,39; 149,72]);
```



```
roiPoints = getPosition(h1);  
roi = poly2mask(roiParaments(:,1),roiPoints(:,2),size(L,1),size(L,2));
```

Perform the grab cut operation, specifying the original image, the label matrix and the ROI.

```
BW = grabcut(RGB,L,roi);  
figure  
imshow(BW)
```



Create masked image.

```
maskedImage = RGB;  
maskedImage(repmat(~BW,[1 1 3])) = 0;  
figure;  
imshow(maskedImage)
```



Segment 3-D Volume Using Grabcut

Load 3-D volumetric data.

```
load mrstack  
V = mrstack;
```

Create a 2-D mask for initial foreground and background seed points.

```
seedLevel = 10;  
fseed = V(:,:,seedLevel) > 75;  
bseed = V(:,:,seedLevel) == 0;
```

Display foreground and background seed points.

```
imshow(fseed)
```



```
imshow(bseed)
```




Place seed points into empty 3-D mask.

```
fmask = zeros(size(V));  
bmask = fmask;  
fmask(:,:,seedLevel) = fseed;  
bmask(:,:,seedLevel) = bseed;
```

Create initial region of interest.

```
roi = false(size(V));  
roi(10:end-10,10:end-10,:) = true;
```

Generate label matrix.

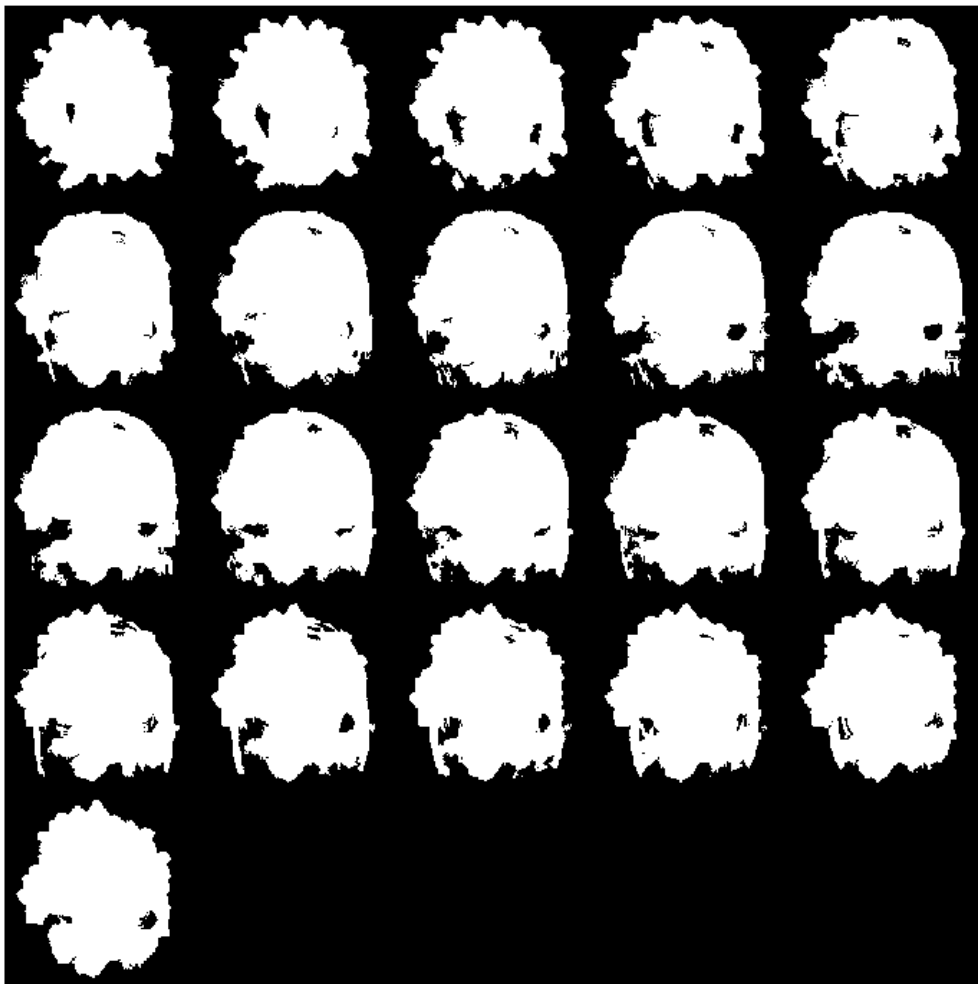
```
L = superpixels3(V,500);
```

Perform GrabCut.

```
bw = grabcut(V,L,roi,fmask,bmask);
```

Display 3D segmented image.

```
montage(reshape(bw,size(V)))
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

real, finite, nonsparse numeric array

Input image, specified as a real, finite, nonsparse, numeric array. Only grayscale images can be `int16`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

V — Input volume

real, finite, nonsparse, 3-D numeric array

Input volume, specified as a real, finite, nonsparse, 3-D numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

L — Label matrix

valid label matrix for input image

Label matrix, specified as a valid label matrix for input image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

ROI — Region of interest

logical array

Region of interest, specified as a logical array, where all pixels that define the region of interest are equal to `true`.

Data Types: `logical`

foremask — Foreground mask

logical array

Foreground mask, specified as a logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

backmask — Background mask

logical array

Background mask, specified as a logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

foreind — Indices of pixels in foreground

vector

Indices of pixels in foreground, specified as a vector of linear indices.

Data Types: `double`

backind — Indices of pixels in background

vector

Indices of pixels in background, specified as a vector of linear indices.

Data Types: `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

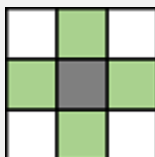
Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.


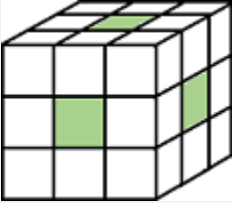
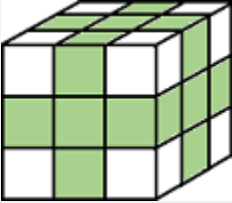
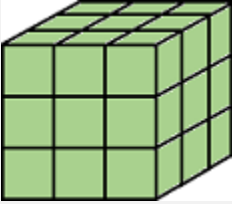
Example: `BW = grabcut(A,L,ROI,'Connectivity',4)`

Connectivity — Connectivity of connected components

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26

Connectivity of connected components, specified as one of the following values. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning
Two-dimensional connectivities	
4	4-connected neighborhood  Current pixel is shown in gray.

Value	Meaning
8	8-connected neighborhood  Current pixel is shown in gray.
Three-dimensional connectivities	
6	6-connected neighborhood  Current pixel is center of cube.
18	18-connected neighborhood  Current pixel is center of cube.
26	26-connected neighborhood  Current pixel is center of cube.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

MaximumIterations — Maximum number of iterations

5 (default) | positive scalar

Maximum number of iterations performed by the algorithm. The algorithm can converge to a solution before reaching the maximum number of iterations.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

BW — Output image

logical array

Output image, returned as binary image the same size as the label matrix L.

Tips

- For `double` and `single` images, `grabcut` assumes the range of the image to be [0 1]. For `uint16`, `int16`, and `uint8` images, `grabcut` assumes the range to be the full range for the given data type.
- For grayscale images, the size of L, `foremask`, and `backmask` must match the size of the image A. For color and multi-channel images, L, `foremask`, and `backmask` must be 2-D arrays with the first two dimensions identical to the first two dimensions of the image A.

Algorithms

- The algorithm treats all subregions fully or spatially outside the ROI mask as belonging to the background. To get an optimal segmentation, make sure the object to be segmented is fully contained within the ROI, surrounded by a small number of background pixels.
- Do not mark a subregion of the label matrix as belonging to both the foreground mask and the background mask. If a region of the label matrix contains pixels belonging to both the foreground mask and background mask, the algorithm effectively treats the region as unmarked.

- The algorithm assumes all subregions outside the region of interest belong to the background. Marking one of these subregions as belonging to foreground or background mask has no effect on the resulting segmentation.

References

- [1] Rother, C., V. Kolmogorov, and A. Blake. "GrabCut - Interactive Foreground Extraction using Iterated Graph Cuts". *ACM Transactions on Graphics (SIGGRAPH)*. Vol. 23, Number 3, 2004, pp. 309-314.

See Also

[Image Segmenter](#) | [lazysnapping](#) | [superpixels](#) | [watershed](#)

Topics

"Label and Measure Objects in a Binary Image"

Introduced in R2018a

gradientweight

Calculate weights for image pixels based on image gradient

Syntax

```
W = gradientweight(I)
W = gradientweight(I, sigma)
W = gradientweight(___, Name, Value)
```

Description

`W = gradientweight(I)` calculates the pixel weight for each pixel in image `I` based on the gradient magnitude at that pixel, and returns the weight array `W`. The weight of a pixel is inversely related to the gradient values at the pixel location. Pixels with small gradient magnitude (smooth regions) have a large weight and pixels with large gradient magnitude (such as on the edges) have a small weight.

`W = gradientweight(I, sigma)` uses `sigma` as the standard deviation for the Derivative of Gaussian that is used for computing the image gradient.

`W = gradientweight(___, Name, Value)` returns the weight array `W` using name-value pairs to control aspects of weight computation.

Examples

Segment Image Using Weights Derived from Image Gradient

This example segments an image using the Fast Marching Method based on the weights derived from the image gradient.

Read image and display it.


```
I = imread('coins.png');  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```



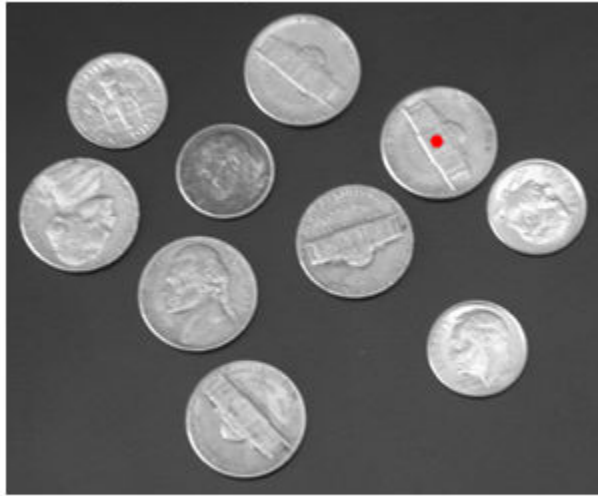
Compute weights based on image gradient.

```
sigma = 1.5;  
W = gradientweight(I, sigma, 'RolloffFactor', 3, 'WeightCutoff', 0.25);
```

Select a seed location.

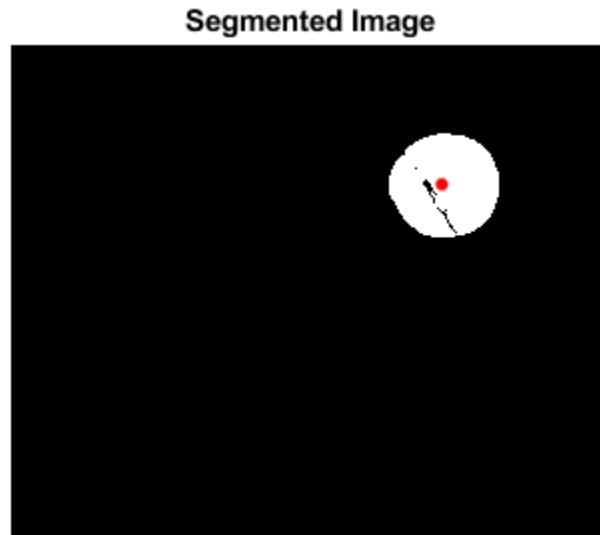
```
R = 70; C = 216;  
hold on;  
plot(C, R, 'r.', 'LineWidth', 1.5, 'MarkerSize', 15);  
title('Original Image with Seed Location')
```

Original Image with Seed Location



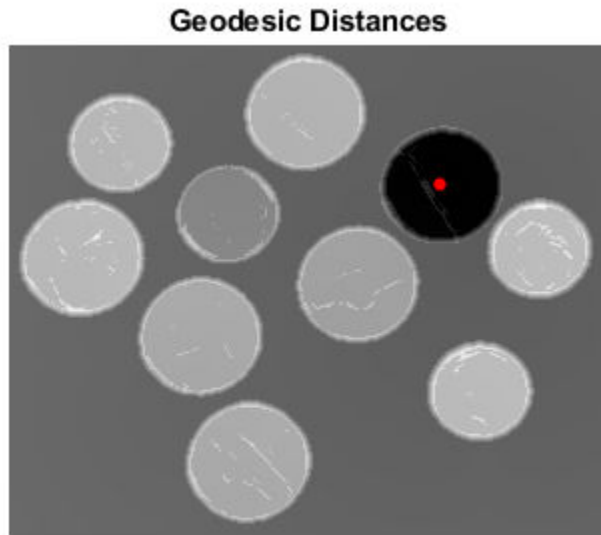
Segment the image using the weight array.

```
thresh = 0.1;  
[BW, D] = imsegfmm(W, C, R, thresh);  
figure, imshow(BW)  
title('Segmented Image')  
hold on;  
plot(C, R, 'r.', 'LineWidth', 1.5, 'MarkerSize',15);
```



Geodesic distance matrix D can be thresholded using different thresholds to get different segmentation results.

```
figure, imshow(D)
title('Geodesic Distances')
hold on;
plot(C, R, 'r.', 'LineWidth', 1.5, 'MarkerSize', 15);
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

grayscale image

Input image, specified as a grayscale image. Must be nonsparse.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `uint8` | `int16` | `uint16` | `int32` | `uint32`

sigma — Standard deviation for Derivative of Gaussian

1.5 (default) | positive scalar

Standard deviation for Derivative of Gaussian, specified as a positive scalar of class `double`.

Example: `sigma = 1.0; W = gradientweight(I, sigma)`

Data Types: `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `W = gradientweight(I,1.5,'RolloffFactor',3,'WeightCutoff',0.25);`

RolloffFactor — Output weight roll-off factor

3 (default) | positive scalar

Output weight roll-off factor, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'RolloffFactor'` and a positive scalar of class `double`. Controls how fast weight values fall as a function of gradient magnitude. When viewed as a 2-D plot, pixel intensity values might vary gradually at the edges of regions, creating a gentle slope. In your segmented image, you might want the edge to be more well-defined. Using the roll-off factor, you control the slope of the weight value curve at points where intensity values start to change. If you specify a high value, the output weight values fall off sharply around the edges of smooth regions. If you specify a low value, the output weight has a more gradual fall-off around the edges. The suggested range for this parameter is `[0.5 4]`.

Data Types: `double`

WeightCutoff — Threshold for weight values

0.25 (default) | positive scale in the range `[1e-3 1]`

Threshold for weight values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'WeightCutoff'` and a positive scalar of class `double`. If you use this parameter to set a threshold on weight values, it suppresses any weight values less than the value you specify, setting these pixels to a small constant value (1e-3). This parameter can be useful in improving the accuracy of the output when you use the output weight array `W` as input to Fast Marching Method segmentation function, `imsegfmm`.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

W — Weight array

numeric array

Weight array, returned as a numeric array. The weight array is the same size as the input image, `I`. The weight array is of class `double`, unless `I` is `single`, in which case it is of class `single`.

Tips

- `gradientweight` uses double-precision floating point operations for internal computations for all classes of `I`, except when `I` is of class `single`, in which case `gradientweight` uses single-precision floating point operations internally.

See Also

`graydiffweight` | `imsegfmm`

Introduced in R2014b

gray2ind

Convert grayscale or binary image to indexed image

Syntax

```
[X,cmap] = gray2ind(I,c)  
[X,cmap] = gray2ind(BW,c)
```

Description

`[X,cmap] = gray2ind(I,c)` converts the grayscale image `I` to an indexed image `X` with colormap `cmap` with `c` colors.

`[X,cmap] = gray2ind(BW,c)` converts the binary image `BW` to an indexed image.

Examples

Convert Grayscale Image to Indexed Image

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Convert the image to an indexed image using `gray2ind`. This example creates an indexed image with 16 indices.

```
[X, map] = gray2ind(I, 16);
```

Display the indexed image.

```
imshow(X, map);
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric array

Grayscale image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

BW — Binary image

numeric array

Binary image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: `logical`

c — Number of colormap colors

positive integer

Number of colormap colors, specified as a positive integer between 1 and 65536.

- If the input image is grayscale, then the default value of `c` is 64.
- If the input image is binary, then the default value of `c` is 2.

Output Arguments

X — Indexed image

numeric array

Indexed image, returned as a numeric array of the same dimensionality as the input grayscale or binary image. If the colormap length is less than or equal to 256, then the class of the output image is `uint8`; otherwise it is `uint16`.

Data Types: `uint8` | `uint16`

cmap — Color map

c-by-3 numeric array

Color map associated with indexed image `X`, returned as a c-by-3 numeric array. The color map produced is equivalent to `gray(c)`.

Data Types: `double`

See Also

`grayslice` | `ind2gray` | `mat2gray`

Introduced before R2006a

graycomatrix

Create gray-level co-occurrence matrix from image

Syntax

```
glcms = graycomatrix(I)  
glcms = graycomatrix(I,Name,Value,...)  
[glcms,SI] = graycomatrix( ___ )
```

Description

`glcms = graycomatrix(I)` creates a gray-level co-occurrence matrix (GLCM) from image `I`. Another name for a gray-level co-occurrence matrix is a gray-level spatial dependence matrix. Also, the word co-occurrence is frequently used in the literature without a hyphen, cooccurrence.

`graycomatrix` creates the GLCM by calculating how often a pixel with gray-level (grayscale intensity) value i occurs horizontally adjacent to a pixel with the value j . (You can specify other pixel spatial relationships using the 'Offsets' parameter.) Each element (i,j) in `glcm` specifies the number of times that the pixel with value i occurred horizontally adjacent to a pixel with value j .

`glcms = graycomatrix(I,Name,Value,...)` returns one or more gray-level co-occurrence matrices, depending on the values of the optional name/value pairs. Parameter names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

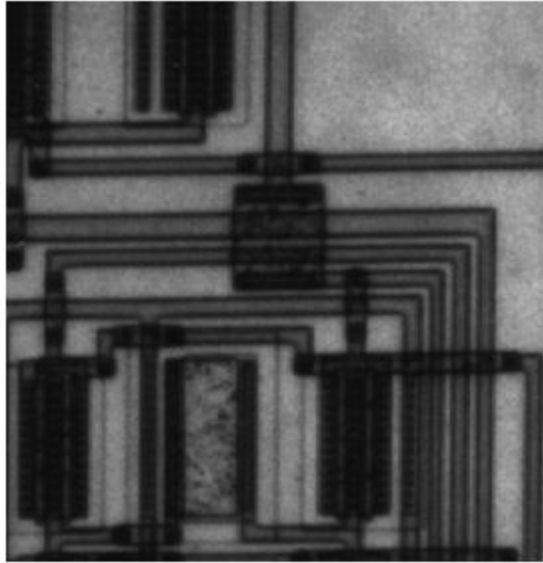
`[glcms,SI] = graycomatrix(___)` returns the scaled image, `SI`, used to calculate the gray-level co-occurrence matrix. The values in `SI` are between 1 and `NumLevels`.

Examples

Create Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix for Grayscale Image

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');
imshow(I)
```



Calculate the gray-level co-occurrence matrix (GLCM) for the grayscale image. By default, `graycomatrix` calculates the GLCM based on horizontal proximity of the pixels: `[0 1]`. That is the pixel next to the pixel of interest on the same row. This example specifies a different offset: two rows apart on the same column.

```
glcm = graycomatrix(I, 'Offset', [2 0])
```

```
glcm = 8×8
```

14205	2107	126	0	0	0	0
2242	14052	3555	400	0	0	0
191	3579	7341	1505	37	0	0
0	683	1446	7184	1368	0	0
0	7	116	1502	10256	1124	0

```
0 0 0 2 1153 1435 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Create Gray-Level Co-occurrence Matrix Returning Scaled Image

Create a simple 3-by-6 sample array.

```
I = [ 1 1 5 6 8 8; 2 3 5 7 0 2; 0 2 3 5 6 7]
```

```
I = 3×6
```

```
1 1 5 6 8 8
2 3 5 7 0 2
0 2 3 5 6 7
```

Calculate the gray-level co-occurrence matrix (GLCM) and return the scaled image used in the calculation. By specifying empty brackets for the `GrayLimits` parameter, the example uses the minimum and maximum grayscale values in the input image as limits.

```
[glcm,SI] = graycomatrix(I,'NumLevels',9,'GrayLimits',[])
```

```
glcm = 9×9
```

```
0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0
0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 2 1 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 1
1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1
```

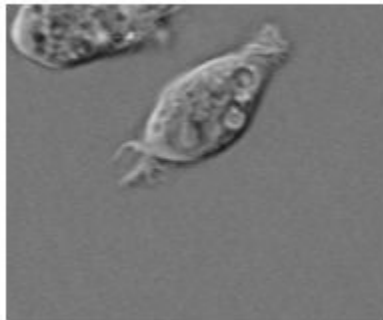
```
SI = 3×6
```

```
2 2 6 7 9 9
3 4 6 8 1 3
1 3 4 6 7 8
```

Calculate GLCMs using Four Different Offsets

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cell.tif');  
imshow(I)
```

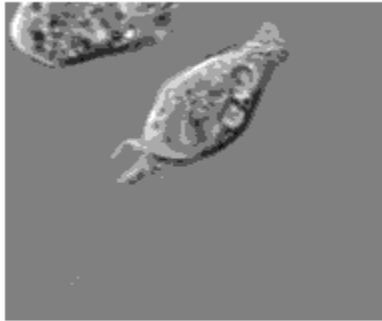


Define four offsets.

```
offsets = [0 1; -1 1; -1 0; -1 -1];
```

Calculate the GLCMs, returning the scaled image as well. Display the scaled image, performing an additional rescaling of data values to the range [0, 1].

```
[glcms,SI] = graycomatrix(I, 'Offset', offsets);  
imshow(rescale(SI))
```



Note how the function returns an array of four GLCMs.

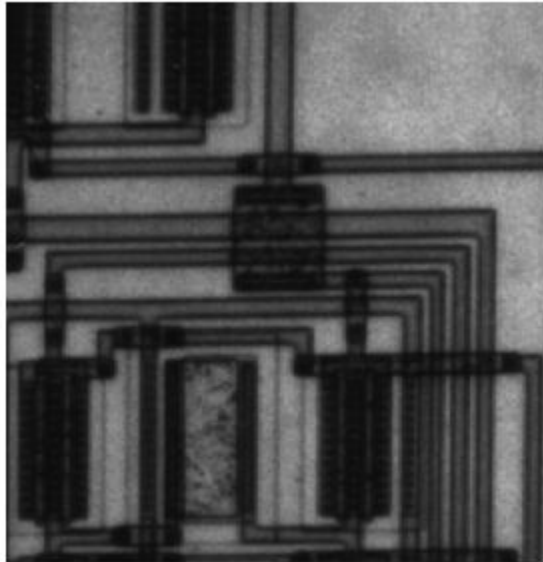
```
whos
```

Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
I	159x191	30369	uint8	
SI	159x191	242952	double	
glcms	8x8x4	2048	double	
offsets	4x2	64	double	

Calculate Symmetric GLCM for Grayscale Image

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');  
imshow(I)
```



Calculate the GLCM using the `Symmetric` option, returning the scaled image as well. The GLCM created when you set `Symmetric` to `true` is symmetric across its diagonal, and is equivalent to the GLCM described by Haralick (1973).

```
[glcm,SI] = graycomatrix(I, 'Offset',[2 0], 'Symmetric',true);
glcm
```

```
glcm = 8x8
```

28410	4349	317	0	0	0	0
4349	28104	7134	1083	7	0	0
317	7134	14682	2951	153	0	0
0	1083	2951	14368	2870	2	0
0	7	153	2870	20512	2277	0
0	0	0	2	2277	2870	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0

0

0

0

0

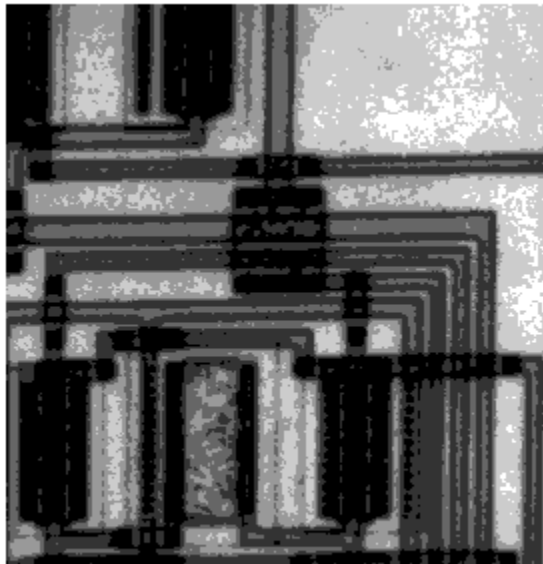
0

0

0

Display the scaled image, performing an additional rescaling of data values to the range [0, 1].

```
imshow(rescale(SI))
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D, real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

Input image, specified as a 2-D, real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array.

Example:

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example:

GrayLimits — Range used scaling input image into gray levels

range specified by class (default) | two-element vector [`low high`]

Range used scaling input image into gray levels, specified as a two-element vector [`low high`]. If `N` is the number of gray levels (see parameter '`NumLevels`') to use for scaling, the range [`low high`] is divided into `N` equal width bins and values in a bin get mapped to a single gray level. Grayscale values less than or equal to `low` are scaled to 1. Grayscale values greater than or equal to `high` are scaled to '`NumLevels`'. If '`GrayLimits`' is set to [], `graycomatrix` uses the minimum and maximum grayscale values in `I` as limits, [`min(I(:)) max(I(:))`], for example, [`0 1`] for class `double` and [`-32768 32767`] for class `int16`.

Example:

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

NumLevels — Number of gray levels

8 for numeric, 2 for binary (default) | integer

Number of gray levels, specified as an integer. For example, if `NumLevels` is 8, `graycomatrix` scales the values in `I` so they are integers between 1 and 8. The number of gray-levels determines the size of the gray-level co-occurrence matrix (`glcm`).

Example:

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

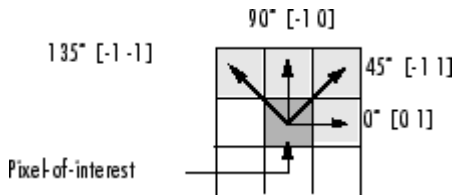
Offset — Distance between the pixel of interest and its neighbor

[0 1] (default) | *p*-by-2 array of integers

Distance between the pixel of interest and its neighbor, specified as a *p*-by-2 array of integers. Each row in the array is a two-element vector, [row_offset, col_offset], that specifies the relationship, or *offset*, of a pair of pixels. row_offset is the number of rows between the pixel-of-interest and its neighbor. col_offset is the number of columns between the pixel-of-interest and its neighbor. Because the offset is often expressed as an angle, the following table lists the offset values that specify common angles, given the pixel distance D.

Angle	Offset
0	[0 D]
45	[-D D]
90	[-D 0]
135	[-D -D]

The figure illustrates the array: offset = [0 1; -1 1; -1 0; -1 -1]



Example:

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | logical

Symmetric — Consider ordering of values

false (default) | true

Consider ordering of values, specified as the Boolean value true or false. For example, when 'Symmetric' is set to true, graycomatrix counts both 1,2 and 2,1 pairings when calculating the number of times the value 1 is adjacent to the value 2. When 'Symmetric' is set to false, graycomatrix only counts 1,2 or 2,1, depending on the value of 'offset'.

Example:

Data Types: logical

Output Arguments

glcms — Gray-level co-occurrence matrix (or matrices)

double array

Gray-level co-occurrence matrix (or matrices), returned as an NumLevels-by-NumLevels-by-P array of class double, where P is the number of offsets in Offset.

SI — Scaled image used in calculation of GLCM

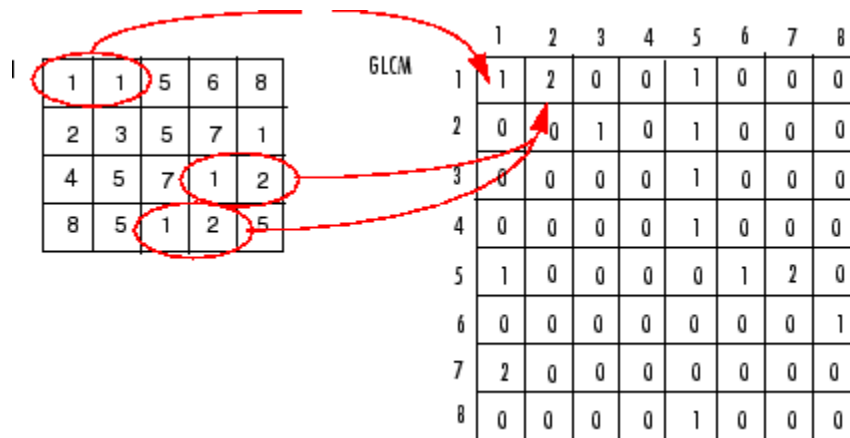
double matrix

Scaled image used in calculation of GLCM, returned as a double matrix the same size as the input image.

Algorithms

graycomatrix calculates the GLCM from a scaled version of the image. By default, if I is a binary image, graycomatrix scales the image to two gray-levels. If I is an intensity image, graycomatrix scales the image to eight gray-levels. You can specify the number of gray-levels graycomatrix uses to scale the image by using the 'NumLevels' parameter, and the way that graycomatrix scales the values using the 'GrayLimits' parameter .

The following figure shows how graycomatrix calculates several values in the GLCM of the 4-by-5 image I. Element (1,1) in the GLCM contains the value 1 because there is only one instance in the image where two, horizontally adjacent pixels have the values 1 and 1. Element (1,2) in the GLCM contains the value 2 because there are two instances in the image where two, horizontally adjacent pixels have the values 1 and 2. graycomatrix continues this processing to fill in all the values in the GLCM.



graycomatrix ignores pixel pairs if either of the pixels contains a NaN, replaces positive Infs with the value NumLevels, and replaces negative Infs with the value 1. graycomatrix ignores border pixels, if the corresponding neighbor pixel falls outside the image boundaries.

The GLCM created when 'Symmetric' is set to true is symmetric across its diagonal, and is equivalent to the GLCM described by Haralick (1973). The GLCM produced by the following syntax, with 'Symmetric' set to true

```
graycomatrix(I, 'offset', [0 1], 'Symmetric', true)
```

is equivalent to the sum of the two GLCMs produced by the following statements where 'Symmetric' is set to false.

```
graycomatrix(I, 'offset', [0 1], 'Symmetric', false)
graycomatrix(I, 'offset', [0 -1], 'Symmetric', false)
```

References

- [1] Haralick, R.M., K. Shanmugan, and I. Dinstein, "Textural Features for Image Classification", IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics, Vol. SMC-3, 1973, pp. 610-621.
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See Also

graycoprops

Introduced before R2006a

grayconnected

Select contiguous image region with similar gray values

Syntax

```
BW = grayconnected(I, row, column)
BW = grayconnected(I, row, column, tolerance)
```

Description

`BW = grayconnected(I, row, column)` finds connected regions of similar intensity in the grayscale image `I`. You specify the intensity value to use as a starting point, the seed pixel, by row and column indices. By default, `grayconnected` includes connected pixels with values in the range `[seedpixel-32, seedpixel+32]` for integer-valued images and within the range `[seedpixel-0.1, seedpixel+0.1]` for floating point images. `grayconnected` returns a binary mask image, `BW`, where all of the foreground pixels are 8-connected to the seed pixel at `(row, column)` by pixels of similar intensity.

`BW = grayconnected(I, row, column, tolerance)` finds connected regions of similar intensity in a grayscale image, where `tolerance` specifies the range of intensity values to include in the mask, as in `[(seedpixel - tolerance), (seedpixel + tolerance)]`.

Examples

Create Binary Mask from Connected Pixels

Create small sample image.

```
I = uint8([20 22 24 23 25 20 100
           21 10 12 13 12 30 6
           22 11 13 12 13 25 5
           23 13 13 13 13 20 5
           24 13 13 12 12 13 5
           25 26 5 28 29 50 6]);
```

Create mask image, specifying the seed location by row and column and the tolerance. Since the seed location specifies the pixel with the value 23 and the tolerance is 3, the range of grayscale values is [20,26].

```
seedrow = 4
seedrow = 4
seedcol = 1
seedcol = 1
tol = 3
tol = 3
BW = grayconnected(I,seedrow,seedcol,tol)
BW = 6x7 logical array
```

```
 1  1  1  1  1  1  0
 1  0  0  0  0  0  0
 1  0  0  0  0  0  0
 1  0  0  0  0  0  0
 1  0  0  0  0  0  0
 1  1  0  0  0  0  0
```

Input Arguments

I — Input grayscale image

real, nonsparse 2-D matrix

Input grayscale image, specified as a real, nonsparse, 2-D matrix.

Example: `BW = grayconnected(I,50,40);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

row — Row index of seed location

real, positive, scalar integer.

Row index of seed location, specified as a real, positive, scalar integer.

Example: `BW = grayconnected(I,50,40);`

Data Types: `single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32`

column — Column index of seed location

real, positive, scalar integer

Column index of seed location, specified as a real, positive, scalar integer.

Example: `BW = grayconnected(I,50,40);`

Data Types: `single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32`

tolerance — Range of intensity values to include in the mask

32 for integer valued images, 0.1 for floating point images (default) | numeric scalar

Range of intensity values to include in the mask, specified as a numeric scalar. The range is defined as $[(seedvalue - tolerance), (seedvalue + tolerance)]$. By default, `grayconnected` includes connected pixels with values in the range $[seedpixel - 32, seedpixel + 32]$ for integer-valued images and within the range $[seedpixel - 0.1, seedpixel + 0.1]$ for floating point images.

Example: `BW = grayconnected(I,50,40,5);`

Data Types: `single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32`

Output Arguments

BW — Mask binary image

logical array

Mask binary image, returned as a logical array where all of the foreground pixels are 8-connected to the seed pixel at $(row, column)$ by pixels of similar intensity.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `grayconnected` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `grayconnected` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

See Also

Image Segmenter | `bwselect` | `imfill`

Introduced in R2015b

graycoprops

Properties of gray-level co-occurrence matrix

Syntax

```
stats = graycoprops(glcm,properties)
```

Description

`stats = graycoprops(glcm,properties)` calculates the statistics specified in `properties` from the gray-level co-occurrence matrix `glcm`. `glcm` is an m -by- n -by- p array of valid gray-level co-occurrence matrices. If `glcm` is an array of GLCMs, `stats` is an array of statistics for each `glcm`.

`graycoprops` normalizes the gray-level co-occurrence matrix (GLCM) so that the sum of its elements is equal to 1. Each element (r,c) in the normalized GLCM is the joint probability occurrence of pixel pairs with a defined spatial relationship having gray level values r and c in the image. `graycoprops` uses the normalized GLCM to calculate `properties`.

Examples

Calculate Statistics from Gray-level Co-occurrence Matrix

Create simple sample GLCM.

```
glcm = [0 1 2 3;1 1 2 3;1 0 2 0;0 0 0 3]
```

```
glcm = 4×4
```

```
0     1     2     3
1     1     2     3
1     0     2     0
0     0     0     3
```

Calculate statistical properties of the GLCM.

```
stats = graycoprops(glcm)

stats = struct with fields:
    Contrast: 2.8947
    Correlation: 0.0783
    Energy: 0.1191
    Homogeneity: 0.5658
```

Calculate Contrast and Homogeneity from Multiple GLCMs

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');
```

Create two gray-level co-occurrence matrices (GLCM) from the image, specifying different offsets.

```
glcm = graycomatrix(I, 'Offset', [2 0; 0 2])
```

```
glcm =
glcm(:,:,1) =
```

Columns 1 through 6

14205	2107	126	0	0	0
2242	14052	3555	400	0	0
191	3579	7341	1505	37	0
0	683	1446	7184	1368	0
0	7	116	1502	10256	1124
0	0	0	2	1153	1435
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0

Columns 7 through 8

0	0
0	0
0	0
0	0

```
0      0
0      0
0      0
0      0
```

```
glcm(:,:,2) =
```

```
Columns 1 through 6
```

```
13938    2615    204      4      0      0
2406    14062    3311    630    23      0
145     3184    7371    1650   133      0
2        371    1621    6905   1706      0
0         0    116    1477   9974    1173
0         0      0      1    1161    1417
0         0      0      0      0      0
0         0      0      0      0      0
```

```
Columns 7 through 8
```

```
0      0
0      0
0      0
0      0
0      0
0      0
0      0
0      0
```

Get statistics on contrast and homogeneity of the image from the GLCMs.

```
stats = graycoprops(glcm,{'contrast','homogeneity'})
```

```
stats = struct with fields:
```

```
Contrast: [0.3420 0.3567]
Homogeneity: [0.8567 0.8513]
```

Input Arguments

glcm — Gray-level Co-occurrence Matrix

real, non-negative array of finite logical or numeric integers

Gray-level Co-occurrence Matrix, specified as a real, non-negative array of finite logical or numeric integers. Use the `graycomatrix` function to create a GLCM.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

properties — Statistical properties of the image derived from GLCM

'all' (default) | comma-separated list | cell array | space-separated string scalar or character vector

Statistical properties of the image derived from GLCM, specified as a comma-separated list string scalars or character vectors, space-separated string scalar or character vector, cell array of string scalars or character vectors, or 'all'. You can specify any of the property names listed in this table. Property names can be abbreviated and are not case sensitive.

Property	Description	Formula
'Contrast'	Returns a measure of the intensity contrast between a pixel and its neighbor over the whole image. Range = $[0 \text{ (size(GLCM,1)-1)^2}]$ Contrast is 0 for a constant image. The property Contrast is also known as variance and inertia.	$\sum_{i,j} i - j ^2 p(i, j)$
'Correlation'	Returns a measure of how correlated a pixel is to its neighbor over the whole image. Range = $[-1 \ 1]$ Correlation is 1 or -1 for a perfectly positively or negatively correlated image. Correlation is NaN for a constant image.	$\sum_{i,j} \frac{(i - \mu_i)(j - \mu_j) p(i, j)}{\sigma_i \sigma_j}$

Property	Description	Formula
'Energy'	Returns the sum of squared elements in the GLCM. Range = [0 1] Energy is 1 for a constant image. The property Energy is also known as uniformity, uniformity of energy, and angular second moment.	$\sum_{i,j} p(i,j)^2$
'Homogeneity'	Returns a value that measures the closeness of the distribution of elements in the GLCM to the GLCM diagonal. Range = [0 1] Homogeneity is 1 for a diagonal GLCM.	$\sum_{i,j} \frac{p(i,j)}{1+ i-j }$

Data Types: char | string | cell

Output Arguments

stats — Statistics derived from the GLCM

structure

Statistics derived from the GLCM, returned as a structure with fields that are specified by `properties`. Each field contains a 1-by- p array, where p is the number of gray-level co-occurrence matrices in GLCM. For example, if GLCM is an 8-by-8-by-3 array and `properties` is 'Energy', `stats` is a structure containing the field `Energy`, which contains a 1-by-3 array.

See Also

`graycomatrix`

Introduced before R2006a

graydiffweight

Calculate weights for image pixels based on grayscale intensity difference

Syntax

```
W = graydiffweight(I,refGrayVal)
W = graydiffweight(I,mask)
W = graydiffweight(I,C,R)
W = graydiffweight(V,C,R,P)
W = graydiffweight(___, Name,Value)
```

Description

`W = graydiffweight(I,refGrayVal)` computes the pixel weight for each pixel in the grayscale image `I`. The weight is the absolute value of the difference between the intensity of the pixel and the reference grayscale intensity specified by the scalar `refGrayVal`. Pick a reference grayscale intensity value that is representative of the object you want to segment. The weights are returned in the array `W`, which is the same size as input image `I`.

The weight of a pixel is inversely related to the absolute value of the grayscale intensity difference at the pixel location. If the difference is small (intensity value close to `refGrayVal`), the weight value is large. If the difference is large (intensity value very different from `refGrayVal`), the weight value is small.

`W = graydiffweight(I,mask)` computes the pixel weights, where the reference grayscale intensity value is the average of the intensity values of all the pixels in `I` that are marked as logical `true` in `mask`. Using the average of several pixels to calculate the reference grayscale intensity value can be more effective than using a single reference intensity value, as in the previous syntax.

`W = graydiffweight(I,C,R)` computes the pixel weights, where the reference grayscale intensity value is the average of the intensity values of the pixel locations specified by the vectors `C` and `R`. `C` and `R` contain the column and row indices of the pixel locations that must be valid pixel indices in `I`.

`W = graydiffweight(V,C,R,P)` computes the weights for each voxel in the volume `V`, specified by the vectors `C`, `R`, and `P`. `C`, `R`, and `P` contain the column, row, and plane indices of the voxel locations that must be valid voxel indices in `V`.

`W = graydiffweight(___, Name, Value)` returns the weight array `W` using name-value pairs to control aspects of weight computation.

Examples

Calculate Grayscale Intensity Difference Weights

This example segments an object in an image using Fast Marching Method using grayscale intensity difference weights calculated from the intensity values at the seed locations.

Read image and display it.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```


Original Image

Specify row and column index of pixels for use a reference grayscale intensity value.

```
seedpointR = 159;  
seedpointC = 67;
```

Calculate the grayscale intensity difference weight array for the image and display it. The example does log-scaling of W for better visualization.

```
W = graydiffweight(I, seedpointC, seedpointR, 'GrayDifferenceCutoff', 25);  
figure, imshow(log(W), [])
```



Segment the image using the grayscale intensity difference weight array. Specify the same seed point vectors you used to create the weight array.

```
thresh = 0.01;  
BW = imsegfmm(W, seedpointC, seedpointR, thresh);  
figure, imshow(BW)  
title('Segmented Image')
```

Segmented Image

Input Arguments

I — Input image

grayscale image

Input image, specified as a grayscale image. Must be nonsparse.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `uint8` | `int16` | `uint16` | `int32` | `uint32`

V — Input volume

3-D grayscale image

Input volume, specified as a 3-D grayscale image. Must be nonsparse.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `uint8` | `int16` | `uint16` | `int32` | `uint32`

refGrayVal — Reference grayscale intensity value

scalar

Reference grayscale intensity value, specified as a scalar.

Data Types: `double`

mask — Reference grayscale intensity mask

logical array

Reference grayscale intensity mask, specified as a logical array, the same size as `I`.

Data Types: `logical`

C — Column index of reference pixel (or voxel)

numeric vector

Column index of reference pixel (or voxel), specified as a numeric (integer-valued) vector.

Data Types: `double`

R — Row index of reference pixel (or voxel)

numeric vector

Row index of reference pixel (or voxel), specified as a numeric (integer-valued) vector.

Data Types: `double`

P — Plane index of reference voxel

numeric vector

Plane index of reference voxel, specified as a numeric (integer-valued) vector.

Data Types: `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `W = graydiffweight(I, seedpointC, seedpointR, 'GrayDifferenceCutoff', 25);`

RolloffFactor — Output weight roll-off factor

0.5 (default) | positive scalar

Output weight roll-off factor, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'RolloffFactor' and a positive scalar of class `double`. Controls how fast the output weight falls as the function of the absolute difference between an intensity value and the reference grayscale intensity. When viewed as a 2-D plot, pixel intensity values can vary gradually at the edges of regions, creating a gentle slope. In your segmented image, you might want the edge to be more well-defined. Using the roll-off factor, you control the slope of the weight value curve at points where intensity values start to change. If you specify a high value, the output weight values fall off sharply around the regions of change intensity. If you specify a low value, the output weight has a more gradual fall-off around the regions of changing intensity. The suggested range for this parameter is [0.5 4].

Data Types: `double`**GrayDifferenceCutoff — Threshold for absolute grayscale intensity difference values**

Inf (default) | nonnegative scalar

Threshold for absolute grayscale intensity difference values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'GrayDifferenceCutoff' and a nonnegative scalar of class `double`. When you put a threshold on intensity difference values, you strongly suppress output weight values greater than the cutoff value. `graydiffweight` assigns these pixels the smallest weight value. When the output weight array `W` is used for Fast Marching Method based segmentation (as input to `imsegm`), this parameter can be useful in improving the accuracy of the segmentation output. Default value of this parameter is `Inf`, which means that there is no hard cutoff.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

W — Weight array

numeric array

Weight array, specified as numeric array the same size as `I`. `W` is of class `double`, unless `I` is of class `single`, in which case `W` is of class `single`.

See Also

`gradientweight` | `graydist` | `imsegfmm`

Introduced in R2014b

graydist

Gray-weighted distance transform of grayscale image

Syntax

```
T = graydist(I,mask)
T = graydist(I,C,R)
T = graydist(I,ind)
T = graydist( ____,method)
```

Description

`T = graydist(I,mask)` computes the gray-weighted distance transform of the grayscale image `I`. Locations where `mask` is `true` are seed locations.

`T = graydist(I,C,R)` specifies the column and row coordinates of seed locations in vectors `C` and `R`.

`T = graydist(I,ind)` specifies the linear indices of seed locations, `ind`.

`T = graydist(____,method)` specifies an alternate distance metric, `method`.

Examples

Compute Minimum Path in Magic Square

Create a magic square. Matrices generated by the `magic` function have equal row, column, and diagonal sums. The minimum path between the upper-left and lower-right corner is along the diagonal.

```
A = magic(3)
```

```
A = 3×3
```

```
8   1   6
3   5   7
4   9   2
```

Calculate the gray-weighted distance transform, specifying the upper left corner and the lower right corner of the square as seed locations.

```
T1 = graydist(A,1,1);
T2 = graydist(A,3,3);
```

Sum the two transforms to find the minimum path between the seed locations. As expected, there is a constant-value minimum path along the diagonal.

```
T = T1 + T2
```

```
T = 3x3
```

```
10   11   17
13   10   13
17   17   10
```

Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric array | logical array

Grayscale image, specified as a numeric or logical array.

mask — Binary mask

logical array

Binary mask that specifies seed locations, specified as a logical array the same size as I.

C, R — Column and row coordinates

vector of positive integers

Column and row coordinates of seed locations, specified as a vector of positive integers. Coordinate values are valid C,R subscripts in I.

ind — Indices

vector of positive integers

Indices of seed locations, specified as a vector of positive integers.

method — Distance metric

'chessboard' (default) | 'cityblock' | 'quasi-euclidean'

Distance metric, specified as one of these values.

Method	Description
'chessboard'	In 2-D, the chessboard distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $\max(x_1 - x_2 , y_1 - y_2).$
'cityblock'	In 2-D, the cityblock distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $ x_1 - x_2 + y_1 - y_2 $
'quasi-euclidean'	In 2-D, the quasi-Euclidean distance between (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) is $ x_1 - x_2 + (\sqrt{2} - 1) y_1 - y_2 , x_1 - x_2 > y_1 - y_2 $ $(\sqrt{2} - 1) x_1 - x_2 + y_1 - y_2 , \text{ otherwise.}$

For more information, see “Distance Transform of a Binary Image”.

Output Arguments

T — Gray-weighted distance transform

numeric array

Gray-weighted distance transform, returned as a numeric array of the same size as I. If the input numeric type of I is `double`, then the output numeric type of T is `double`. If the input is any other numeric type, then the output T is `single`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Algorithms

`graydist` uses the geodesic time algorithm [1]. The basic equation for geodesic time along a path is:

$$\tau_f(P) = \frac{f(p_0)}{2} + \frac{f(p_l)}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} f(p_i)$$

method determines the chamfer weights that are assigned to the local neighborhood during outward propagation. Each pixel's contribution to the geodesic time is based on the chamfer weight in a particular direction multiplied by the pixel intensity.

References

- [1] Soille, P. "Generalized geodesy via geodesic time." *Pattern Recognition Letters*. Vol.15, December 1994, pp. 1235-1240.

See Also

`bwdist` | `bwdistgeodesic` | `watershed`

Topics

"Distance Transform of a Binary Image"

Introduced in R2011b

grayscale

Convert grayscale image to indexed image using multilevel thresholding

Syntax

```
X = grayscale(I,N)  
X = grayscale(I,thresholds)
```

Description

`X = grayscale(I,N)` converts a grayscale image to an indexed image by using multilevel thresholding approach. The function automatically calculates the threshold values based on N. To know about threshold calculation, see “Algorithms” on page 1-945.

`X = grayscale(I,thresholds)` returns an indexed image by multilevel thresholding of input image using a set of thresholds.

Examples

Convert Grayscale Image to Indexed Image Using Thresholding

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

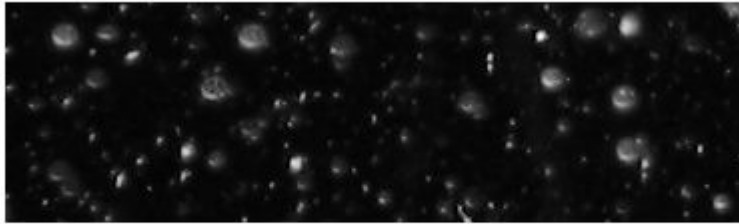
```
I = imread('snowflakes.png');
```

Threshold the intensity image, returning an indexed image.

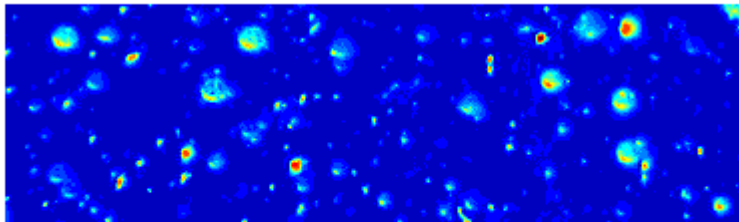
```
X = grayscale(I,16);
```

Display the original image and the indexed image, using one of the standard colormaps.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(X, jet(16))
```



Convert Grayscale Image to Indexed Image Using Multilevel Thresholds

Read a grayscale image into the workspace. Display the image.

```
I = imread('coins.png');  
imshow(I)
```



Specify the threshold values for multilevel thresholding.

```
thresholds = [45 65 84 108 134 157 174 189 206 228];
```

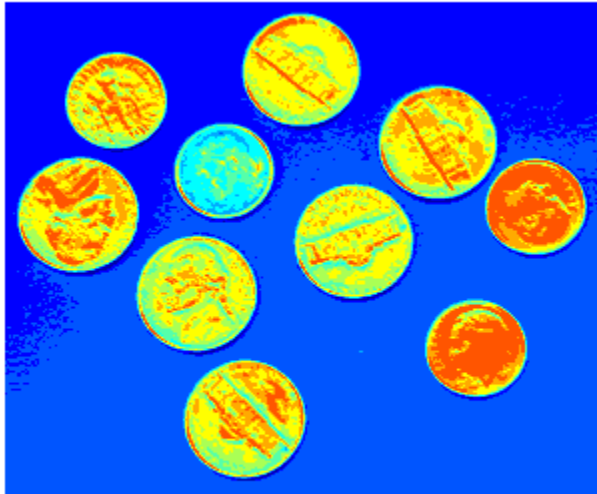
Convert the input grayscale image to an indexed image.

```
X = grayscale(I,thresholds);
```

Display the indexed image. Set the colormap of the indexed image to `jet`. The length of colormap, `m`, is the maximum intensity value in the indexed image.

```
m = double(max(X(:)));
```

```
figure  
imshow(X,colormap(jet(m)))
```



Input Arguments

I — Input grayscale image

m-by-*n* matrix

Input grayscale image, specified as a *m*-by-*n* matrix. The input grayscale image must be real and nonsparse.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

N — Number of threshold values

positive scalar

Number of threshold values, specified as a positive scalar. The value represents the total number of thresholds to be used for multilevel thresholding.

thresholds — Set of thresholds

vector

Set of thresholds, specified as a vector. The number of threshold values to be used for multilevel thresholding is equal to `length(thresholds)`. You can choose the threshold values to lie within the range of the image data type. If the input grayscale image is of class:

- `uint8`, the threshold values can lie within the range [0 255].
- `int16` or `uint16`, threshold values can lie within the range [0 65535].
- `single` or `double`, the threshold values can lie within the range [0 1].

Output Arguments**X — Output indexed image***m-by-n* matrix

Output indexed image, returned as a *m-by-n* matrix of the same size as the input grayscale image. The class of the output indexed image depends on number of threshold values used for multilevel thresholding.

- If the number of threshold values is less than 256, then X is of class `uint8`. In this case, the range of intensity values in X is either [0 N] or [0 `length(thresholds)`].
- If the number of threshold values is greater than or equal to 256, then X is of class `double`. In this case, the range of intensity values in X is either [1 N+1] or [1 `length(thresholds)+1`].

Data Types: `uint8` | `double`**Algorithms**

The function performs multilevel thresholding of the input grayscale image and returns an indexed image as the output. If you specify the number of thresholds N at the input, the threshold values for multilevel thresholding are calculated as

$$\max_{intensity} \times \left\{ \frac{0}{N}, \frac{1}{N}, \frac{2}{N}, \dots, \frac{N-1}{N} \right\}.$$

$max_{intensity}$ is the maximum permissible intensity value for a given class of the input grayscale image. If the input grayscale image is of class:

- `uint8`, the value of $max_{intensity}$ is 255.
- `int16` or `uint16`, the value of $max_{intensity}$ is 65535.
- `single` or `double`, the value of $max_{intensity}$ is 1.

You can view the thresholded image using `imshow(X, map)` with a colormap of appropriate length.

See Also

`gray2ind`

Introduced before R2006a

graythresh

Global image threshold using Otsu's method

Syntax

```
T = graythresh(I)
[T,EM] = graythresh(I)
```

Description

`T = graythresh(I)` computes a global threshold `T` from grayscale image `I`, using Otsu's method [1]. Otsu's method chooses a threshold that minimizes the intraclass variance of the thresholded black and white pixels. The global threshold `T` can be used with `imbinarize` to convert a grayscale image to a binary image.

`[T,EM] = graythresh(I)` also returns the effectiveness metric, `EM`.

Examples

Convert Intensity Image to Binary Image Using Level Threshold

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
```

Calculate a threshold using `graythresh`. The threshold is normalized to the range `[0, 1]`.

```
level = graythresh(I)
```

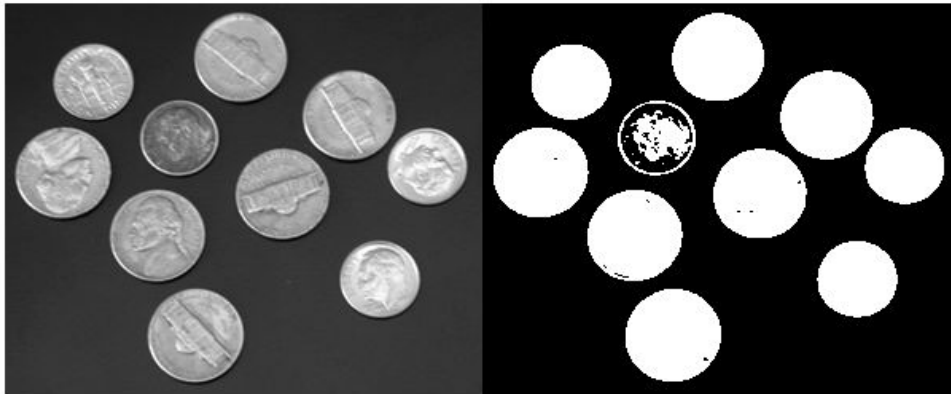
```
level = 0.4941
```

Convert the image into a binary image using the threshold.

```
BW = imbinarize(I,level);
```

Display the original image next to the binary image.

```
imshowpair(I,BW,'montage')
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric array

Grayscale image, specified as a numeric array of any dimensionality. The `graythresh` function converts multidimensional arrays to 2-D arrays, using `reshape`, and ignores any nonzero imaginary part of `I`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

T — Global threshold

numeric scalar

Global threshold, returned as a numeric scalar in the range `[0, 1]`.

Data Types: double

EM — Effectiveness metric

positive scalar

Effectiveness metric of the threshold, returned as a positive scalar in the range [0,1]. The lower bound is attainable only by images having a single gray level, and the upper bound is attainable only by two-valued images.

Data Types: double

Tips

- By default, the function `imbinarize` creates a binary image using a threshold obtained using Otsu's method. This default threshold is identical to the threshold returned by `graythresh`. However, `imbinarize` only returns the binary image. If you want to know the level or the effectiveness metric, use `graythresh` before calling `imbinarize`.

References

- [1] Otsu, N., "A Threshold Selection Method from Gray-Level Histograms." *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics*. Vol. 9, No. 1, 1979, pp. 62-66.

See Also

`imbinarize` | `imquantize` | `multithresh` | `rgb2ind`

Introduced before R2006a

hdrread

Read high dynamic range (HDR) image

Syntax

```
hdr = hdrread(filename)
```

Description

`hdr = hdrread(filename)` reads the high dynamic range (HDR) image, `hdr`, from the file specified by `filename`. For scene-referred data sets, pixel values usually are scene illumination in radiance units.

Examples

Read and Display High Dynamic Range Image

Read high dynamic range image into the workspace.

```
hdr = hdrread('office.hdr');
```

Convert the HDR image to a lower dynamic range, suitable for display.

```
rgb = tonemap(hdr);
```

Display the image.

```
imshow(rgb);
```



Input Arguments

filename — File name

character vector | string scalar

File name of HDR image, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Example: 'office.hdr' or "office.hdr"

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

hdr — HDR image

m-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array

HDR image, returned as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array with values in the range $[0, \text{Inf})$.

Data Types: `single`

Tips

- To display HDR images, use an appropriate tone-mapping function, such as `tonemap`.

References

[1] Larson, Greg W. "Radiance File Formats". <http://radsite.lbl.gov/radiance/refer/filefmts.pdf>

See Also

`hdrwrite` | `makehdr` | `tonemap`

Introduced in R2007b

hdrwrite

Write high dynamic range (HDR) image file

Syntax

```
hdrwrite(hdr, filename)
```

Description

`hdrwrite(hdr, filename)` writes high dynamic range (HDR) image `hdr` to a file with name `filename`. The function uses run-length encoding to minimize file size.

Examples

Write High Dynamic Range Image to File

Read a high dynamic range image into the workspace.

```
hdr = hdrread('office.hdr');
```

Create a new HDR file, writing the high dynamic range data, `hdr`, to a file with a new `filename`.

```
hdrwrite(hdr, 'newHDRfile.hdr');
```

Input Arguments

hdr — HDR image

m-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array

HDR image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array of positive numbers.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

filename — File name

character vector | string scalar

File name of HDR image, specified as a character vector or string scalar ending with extension 'hdr'.

Example: 'office.hdr' or "office.hdr"

Data Types: char | string

See Also

hdrread | makehdr | tonemap

Introduced in R2008a

histeq

Enhance contrast using histogram equalization

Syntax

```
J = histeq(I,hgram)
J = histeq(I,n)
[J,T] = histeq(I)

newmap = histeq(X,map)
newmap = histeq(X,map,hgram)
[newmap,T] = histeq(X, ___)
```

Description

`J = histeq(I,hgram)` transforms the grayscale image `I` so that the histogram of the output grayscale image `J` with `length(hgram)` bins approximately matches the target histogram `hgram`.

You optionally can perform histogram equalization of grayscale images using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = histeq(I,n)` transforms the grayscale image `I`, returning in `J` an grayscale image with `n` discrete gray levels. A roughly equal number of pixels is mapped to each of the `n` levels in `J`, so that the histogram of `J` is approximately flat. The histogram of `J` is flatter when `n` is much smaller than the number of discrete levels in `I`.

`[J,T] = histeq(I)` returns the grayscale transformation `T` that maps gray levels in the image `I` to gray levels in `J`.

`newmap = histeq(X,map)` transforms the values in the colormap so that the histogram of the gray component of the indexed image `X` is approximately flat. It returns the transformed colormap in `newmap`.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`newmap = histeq(X,map,hgram)` transforms the colormap associated with the indexed image `X` so that the histogram of the gray component of the indexed image (`X,newmap`) approximately matches the target histogram `hgram`. The `histeq` function returns the transformed colormap in `newmap`. `length(hgram)` must be the same as `size(map,1)`.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`[newmap,T] = histeq(X, ___)` returns the grayscale transformation `T` that maps the gray component of `map` to the gray component of `newmap`.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

Examples

Enhance Contrast Using Histogram Equalization

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('tire.tif');
```

Enhance the contrast of an intensity image using histogram equalization.

```
J = histeq(I);
```

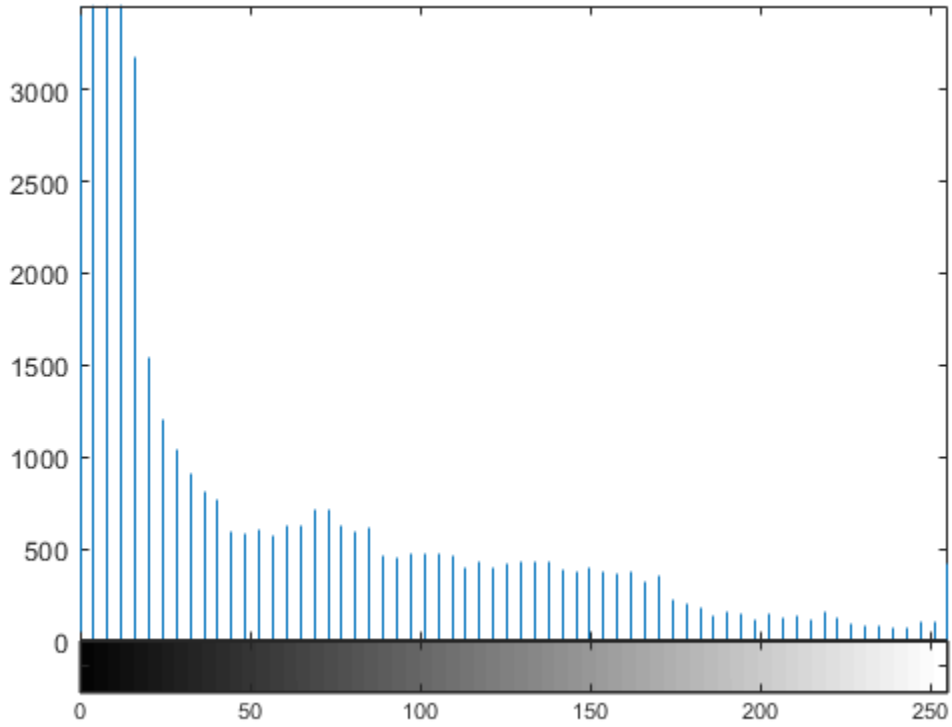
Display the original image and the adjusted image.

```
imshowpair(I,J,'montage')  
axis off
```



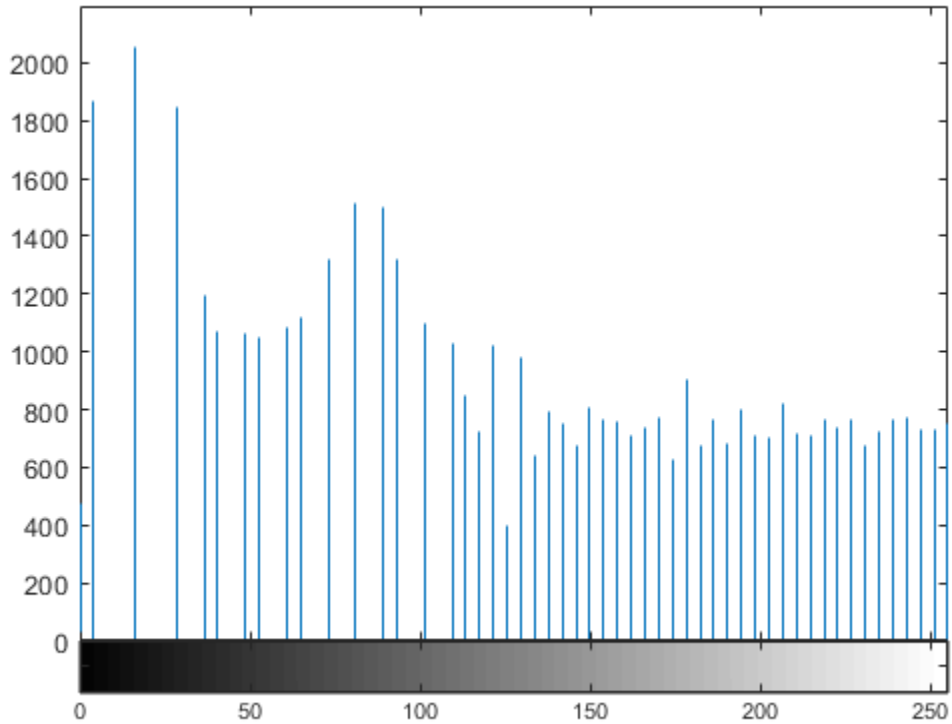
Display a histogram of the original image.

```
figure  
imhist(I,64)
```



Display a histogram of the processed image.

```
figure  
imhist(J,64)
```



Enhance Contrast of Volumetric Image Using Histogram Equalization

Load a 3-D dataset.

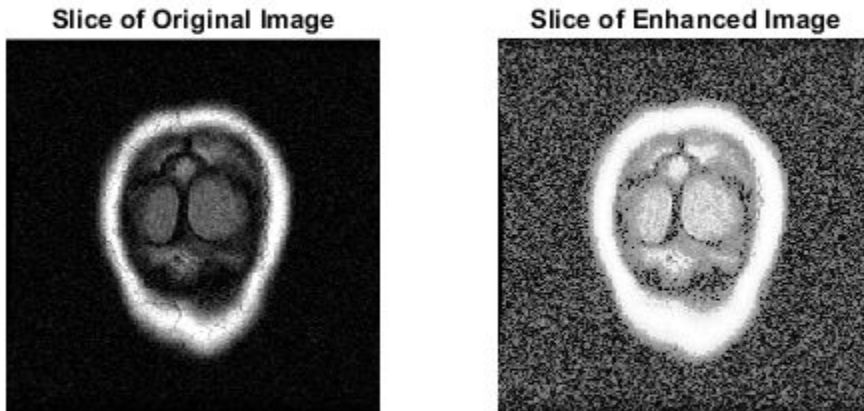
```
load mrstack
```

Perform histogram equalization.

```
enhanced = histeq(mrstack);
```

Display the first slice of data for the original image and the contrast-enhanced image.

```
figure
subplot(1,2,1)
imshow(mrystack(:,:,1))
title('Slice of Original Image')
subplot(1,2,2)
imshow(enhanced(:,:,1))
title('Slice of Enhanced Image')
```



Enhance Contrast Using Histogram Equalization on a GPU

This example performs the same histogram equalization on the GPU.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('tire.tif'));  
J = histeq(I);  
figure  
imshow(I)  
figure  
imshow(J)
```

Input Arguments

I — Input grayscale image

numeric array | gpuArray

Input grayscale image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

To perform histogram equalization using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

hgram — Target histogram

numeric vector | gpuArray

Target histogram, specified as a numeric vector. `hgram` has equally spaced bins with intensity values in the appropriate range:

- [0, 1] for images of class `double` or `single`
- [0, 255] for images of class `uint8`
- [0, 65535] for images of class `uint16`
- [-32768, 32767] for images of class `int16`

`histeq` automatically scales `hgram` so that `sum(hgram)=numel(I)`. The histogram of **J** will better match `hgram` when `length(hgram)` is much smaller than the number of discrete levels in **I**.

If you perform histogram equalization using a GPU, then you optionally can specify `hgram` as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

n — Number of discrete gray levels

64 (default) | scalar

Number of discrete gray levels, specified as a scalar.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

X — Indexed image

numeric array

Indexed image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension. The values in *X* are an index into the colormap `map`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

map — Colormap

c-by-3 array

Colormap, specified as an *c*-by-3 array. Each row specifies an RGB color value.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

J — Output grayscale image

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Output grayscale image, returned as a numeric array of the same size and class as the input image *I*.

If histogram equalization is performed using a GPU, then *J* is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

T — Grayscale transformation

numeric vector | `gpuArray`

Grayscale transformation, returned as a numeric vector. The transformation *T* maps gray levels in the image *I* to gray levels in *J*.

If histogram equalization is performed using a GPU, then *T* is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric vector.

Data Types: `double`

newmap — Colormap

n-by-3 array

Transformed colormap, specified as an n -by-3 array. Each row specifies an RGB color value.

Data Types: double

Algorithms

When you supply a desired histogram `hgram`, `histeq` chooses the grayscale transformation T to minimize

$$|c_1(T(k)) - c_0(k)|,$$

where c_0 is the cumulative histogram of A , c_1 is the cumulative sum of `hgram` for all intensities k . This minimization is subject to the constraints that T must be monotonic and $c_1(T(a))$ cannot overshoot $c_0(a)$ by more than half the distance between the histogram counts at a . `histeq` uses the transformation $b = T(a)$ to map the gray levels in X (or the colormap) to their new values.

If you do not specify `hgram`, then `histeq` creates a flat `hgram`,

```
hgram = ones(1,n)*prod(size(A))/n;
```

and then applies the previous algorithm.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `histeq` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `histeq` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

- When generating code, `histeq` does not support indexed images.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`brighten` | `imadjust` | `imhist`

Introduced before R2006a

hough

Hough transform

Syntax

```
[H,theta,rho] = hough(BW)
[H,theta,rho] = hough(BW,Name,Value,...)
```

Description

`[H,theta,rho] = hough(BW)` computes the Standard Hough Transform (SHT) of the binary image `BW`. The `hough` function is designed to detect lines. The function uses the parametric representation of a line: $\rho = x \cdot \cos(\theta) + y \cdot \sin(\theta)$. The function returns `rho`, the distance from the origin to the line along a vector perpendicular to the line, and `theta`, the angle in degrees between the `x`-axis and this vector. The function also returns the Standard Hough Transform, `H`, which is a parameter space matrix whose rows and columns correspond to `rho` and `theta` values respectively. For more information, see “Algorithms” on page 1-970.

`[H,theta,rho] = hough(BW,Name,Value,...)` computes the Standard Hough Transform (SHT) of the binary image `BW`, where named parameters affect the computation.

Examples

Compute and Display Hough Transform

Read an image, and convert it to a grayscale image.

```
RGB = imread('gantrycrane.png');
I = rgb2gray(RGB);
```

Extract edges.

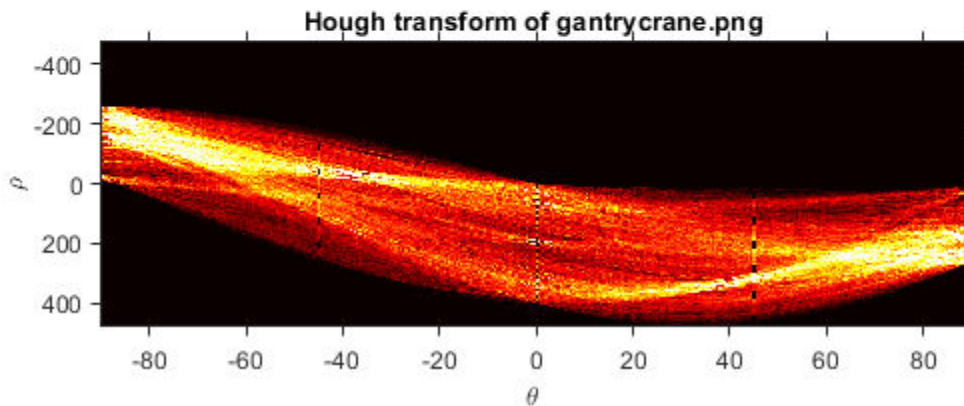
```
BW = edge(I, 'canny');
```

Calculate Hough transform.

```
[H,T,R] = hough(BW, 'RhoResolution', 0.5, 'Theta', -90:0.5:89);
```

Display the original image and the Hough matrix.

```
subplot(2,1,1);  
imshow(IMG);  
title('gantrycrane.png');  
subplot(2,1,2);  
imshow(imadjust(rescale(H)), 'XData', T, 'YData', R, ...  
       'InitialMagnification', 'fit');  
title('Hough transform of gantrycrane.png');  
xlabel('\theta'), ylabel('\rho');  
axis on, axis normal, hold on;  
colormap(gca, hot);
```



Compute Hough Transform Over Limited Theta Range

Read an image, and convert it to grayscale.

```
RGB = imread('gantrycrane.png');  
I = rgb2gray(RGB);
```

Extract edges.

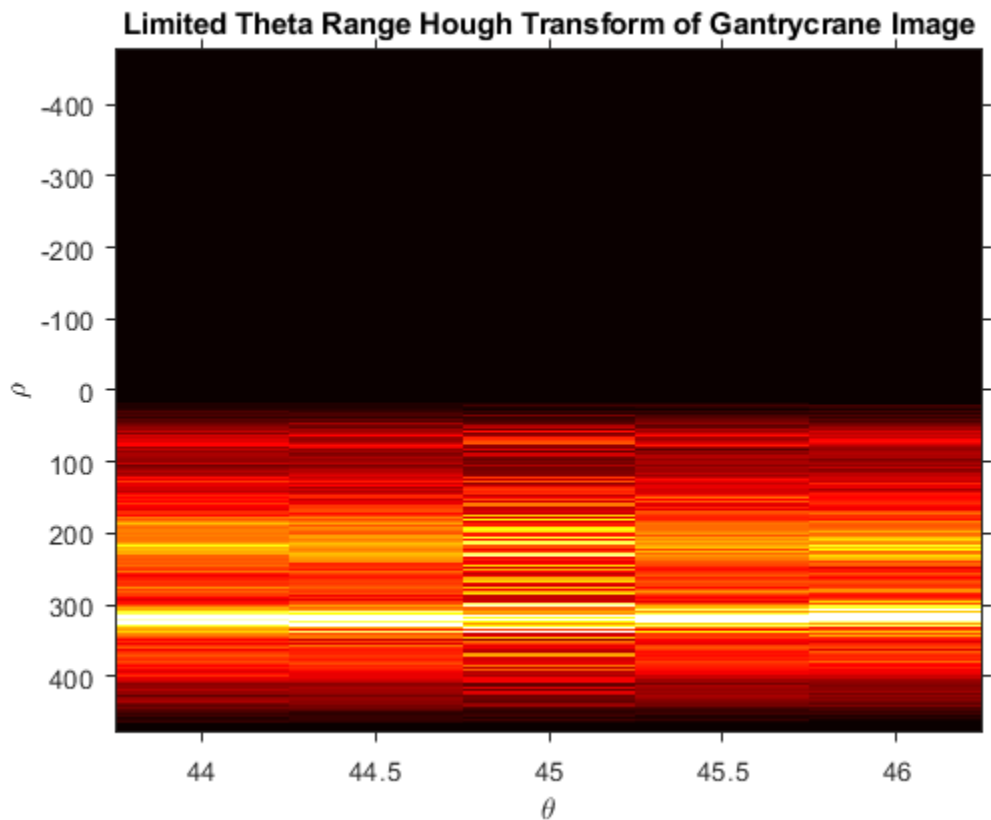
```
BW = edge(I, 'canny');
```

Calculate the Hough transform over a limited range of angles.

```
[H,T,R] = hough(BW, 'Theta', 44:0.5:46);
```

Display the Hough transform.

```
figure  
imshow(imadjust(rescale(H)), 'XData', T, 'YData', R, ...  
       'InitialMagnification', 'fit');  
title('Limited Theta Range Hough Transform of Gantrycrane Image');  
xlabel('\theta')  
ylabel('\rho');  
axis on, axis normal;  
colormap(gca, hot)
```



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

real, 2-D, nonsparse logical or numeric array

Binary image, specified as a real, 2-D, nonsparse logical or numeric array.

Example: `[H,T,R] = hough(BW);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `[H,T,R] = hough(BW, 'RhoResolution',0.5, 'Theta',0.5);`

RhoResolution — Spacing of Hough transform bins along the *rho* axis

1 (default) | real, numeric scalar between 0 and `norm(size(BW))`, exclusive

Spacing of Hough transform bins along the *rho* axis, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'RhoResolution'` and a real, numeric scalar between 0 and `norm(size(BW))`, exclusive.

Data Types: `double`

Theta — *Theta* value for the corresponding column of the output matrix H

-90:89 (default) | real, numeric vector

Theta value for the corresponding column of the output matrix H, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Theta'` and a real, numeric vector within the range [-90, 90).

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

H — Hough transform matrix

numeric array

Hough transform matrix, returned as a numeric array, *nrho*-by-*ntheta* in size. The rows and columns correspond to *rho* and *theta* values. For more information, see “Algorithms” on page 1-970.

theta — Angle in degrees between the x-axis and the rho vector

numeric array

Angle in degrees between the *x*-axis and the *rho* vector, returned as a numeric array of class `double`. For more information, see “Algorithms” on page 1-970.

rho — Distance from the origin to the line along a vector perpendicular to the line

numeric array

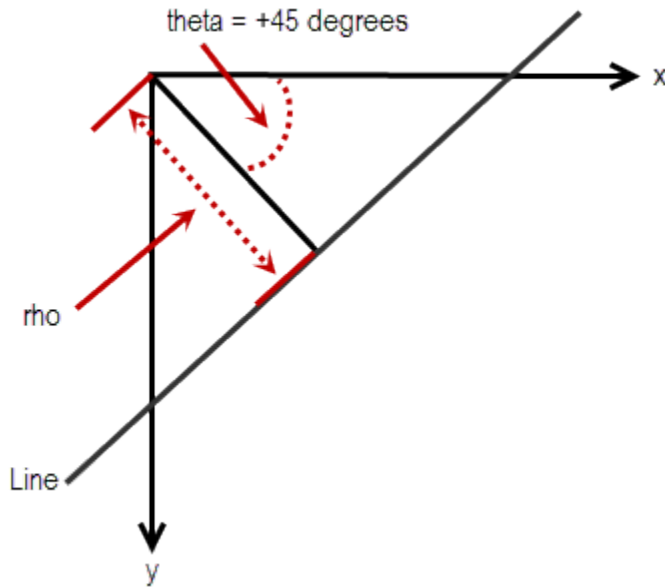
Distance from the origin to the line along a vector perpendicular to the line, returned as a numeric array of class `double`. For more information, see “Algorithms” on page 1-970.

Algorithms

The Standard Hough Transform (SHT) uses the parametric representation of a line:

$$\rho = x \cdot \cos(\theta) + y \cdot \sin(\theta)$$

The variable *rho* is the distance from the origin to the line along a vector perpendicular to the line. *theta* is the angle of the perpendicular projection from the origin to the line measured in degrees clockwise from the positive *x*-axis. The range of *theta* is $-90^\circ \leq \theta < 90^\circ$. The angle of the line itself is $\theta + 90^\circ$, also measured clockwise with respect to the positive *x*-axis.



The SHT is a parameter space matrix whose rows and columns correspond to *rho* and *theta* values respectively. The elements in the SHT represent accumulator cells. Initially, the value in each cell is zero. Then, for every non-background point in the image, *rho* is calculated for every *theta*. *rho* is rounded off to the nearest allowed row in SHT. That accumulator cell is incremented. At the end of this procedure, a value of *Q* in *SHT*(*r*,*c*) means that *Q* points in the *xy*-plane lie on the line specified by *theta*(*c*) and *rho*(*r*). Peak values in the SHT represent potential lines in the input image.

The Hough transform matrix, *H*, is *nrho*-by-*ntheta* where:

$nrho = 2 * (\text{ceil}(D/RhoResolution)) + 1$, and
 $D = \text{sqrt}((\text{numRowsInBW} - 1)^2 + (\text{numColsInBW} - 1)^2)$.
rho values range from -diagonal to diagonal, where
 diagonal = $RhoResolution * \text{ceil}(D/RhoResolution)$.

$ntheta = \text{length}(\text{theta})$

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `hough` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- The optional parameters `'Theta'` and `'RhoResolution'` must be compile-time string constants.
- The optional `Theta` vector must have a bounded size.

See Also

`houghlines` | `houghpeaks`

Topics

“Detect Lines in Images Using Hough”

Introduced before R2006a

houghlines

Extract line segments based on Hough transform

Syntax

```
lines = houghlines(BW,theta,rho,peaks)
lines = houghlines( ___,Name,Value,...)
```

Description

`lines = houghlines(BW,theta,rho,peaks)` extracts line segments in the image `BW` associated with particular bins in a Hough transform. `theta` and `rho` are vectors returned by function `hough`. `peaks` is a matrix returned by the `houghpeaks` function that contains the row and column coordinates of the Hough transform bins to use in searching for line segments. The return value `lines` is a structure array whose length equals the number of merged line segments found.

`lines = houghlines(___,Name,Value,...)` extracts line segments in the image `BW`, where named parameters affect the operation.

Examples

Find Line Segments and Highlight longest segment

Read image into workspace.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');
```

Rotate the image.

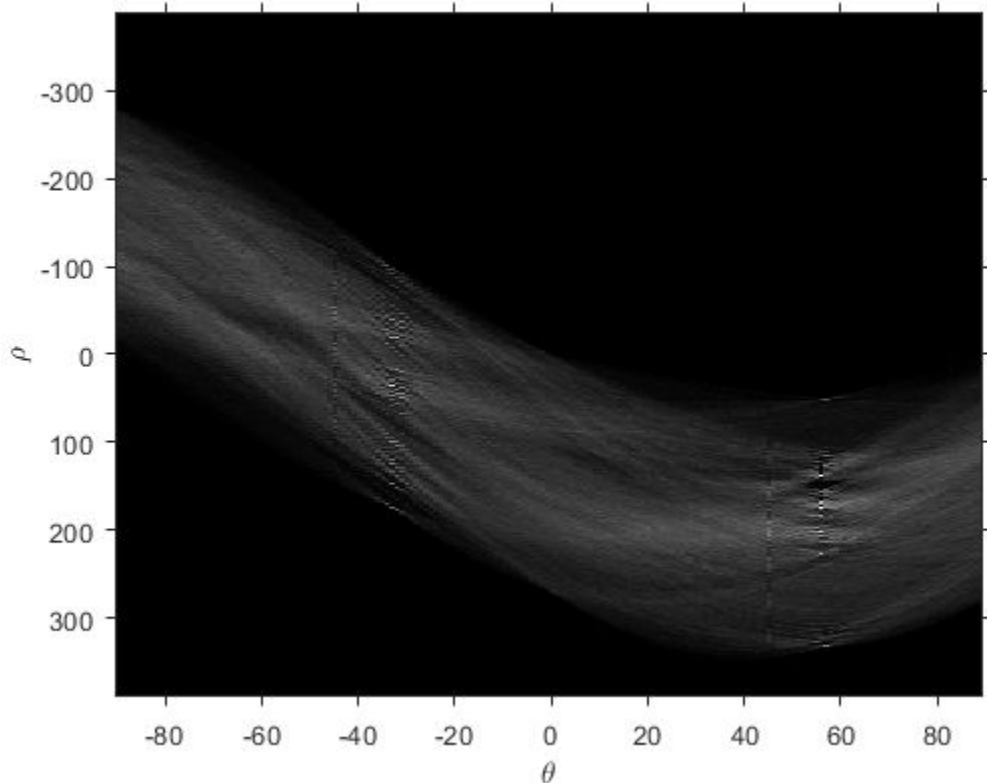
```
rotI = imrotate(I,33,'crop');
```

Create a binary image.

```
BW = edge(rotI,'canny');
```

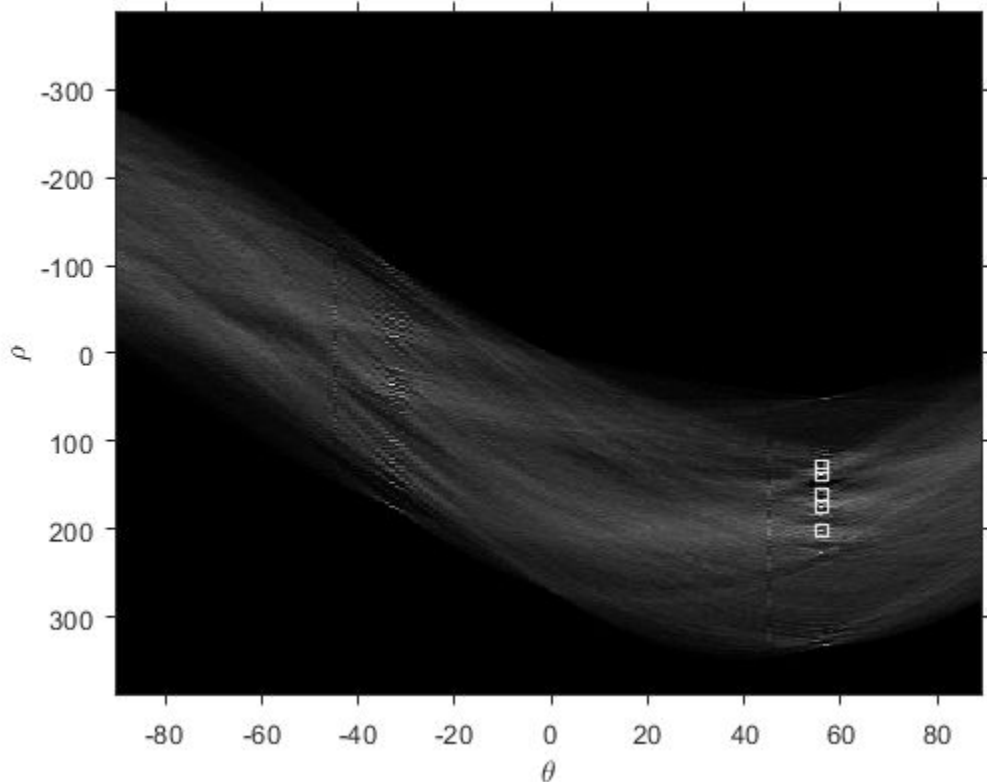
Create the Hough transform using the binary image.

```
[H,T,R] = hough(BW);  
imshow(H,[], 'XData',T, 'YData',R, ...  
        'InitialMagnification','fit');  
xlabel('\theta'), ylabel('\rho');  
axis on, axis normal, hold on;
```



Find peaks in the Hough transform of the image.

```
P = houghpeaks(H,5, 'threshold',ceil(0.3*max(H(:))));  
x = T(P(:,2)); y = R(P(:,1));  
plot(x,y, 's', 'color', 'white');
```



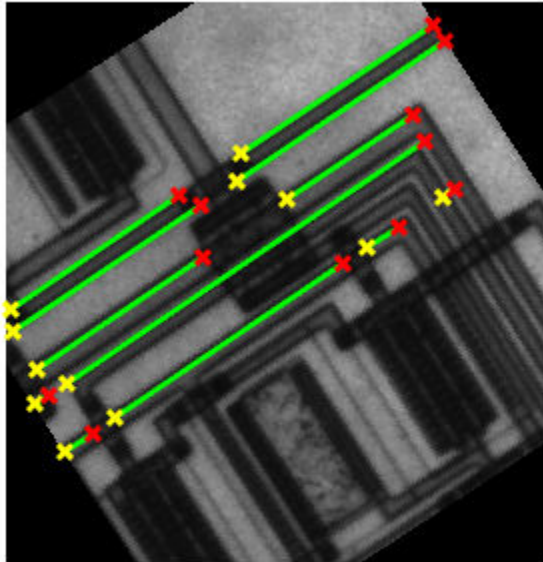
Find lines and plot them.

```
lines = houghlines(BW,T,R,P,'FillGap',5,'MinLength',7);
figure, imshow(rotI), hold on
max_len = 0;
for k = 1:length(lines)
    xy = [lines(k).point1; lines(k).point2];
    plot(xy(:,1),xy(:,2),'LineWidth',2,'Color','green');

    % Plot beginnings and ends of lines
    plot(xy(1,1),xy(1,2),'x','LineWidth',2,'Color','yellow');
    plot(xy(2,1),xy(2,2),'x','LineWidth',2,'Color','red');

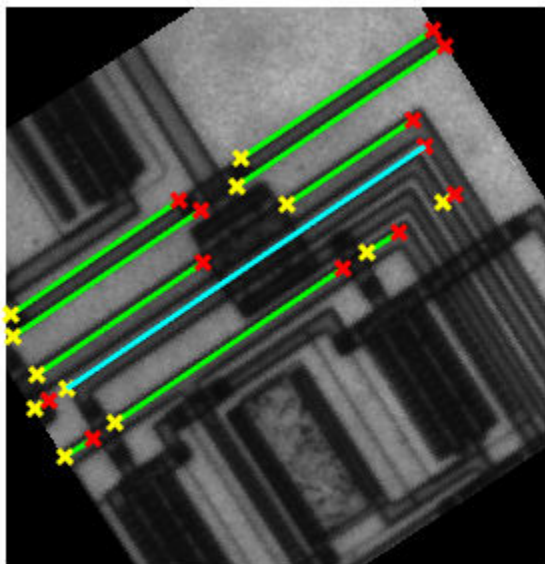
    % Determine the endpoints of the longest line segment
```

```
len = norm(lines(k).point1 - lines(k).point2);  
if ( len > max_len)  
    max_len = len;  
    xy_long = xy;  
end  
end
```



Highlight the longest line segment by coloring it cyan.

```
plot(xy_long(:,1),xy_long(:,2), 'LineWidth',2, 'Color', 'cyan');
```



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

real, 2-D, nonsparse logical or numeric array

Binary image, specified as a real, 2-D, nonsparse logical or numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

theta — Line rotation angle in radians

real, 2-D, nonsparse numeric array

Line rotation angle in radians, specified as a real, 2-D, nonsparse logical or numeric array.

Data Types: double

rho — Distance from the coordinate origin

real, 2-D, nonsparse logical or numeric array

Distance from the coordinate origin, specified as a real, 2-D, nonsparse logical or numeric array. The coordinate origin is the top-left corner of the image (0,0).

Data Types: double

peaks — Row and column coordinates of Hough transform bins

real, nonsparse numeric matrix

Row and column coordinates of Hough transform bins, specified as a real, nonsparse numeric array.

Data Types: double

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `lines = houghlines(BW,T,R,P,'FillGap',5,'MinLength',7);`

FillGap — Distance between two line segments associated with the same Hough transform bin

20 (default) | positive real scalar

Distance between two line segments associated with the same Hough transform bin, specified as a positive real scalar. When the distance between the line segments is less than the value specified, the `houghlines` function merges the line segments into a single line segment.

Data Types: double

MinLength — Minimum line length

40 (default) | positive real scalar

Minimum line length, specified as a positive real scalar. `houghlines` discards lines that are shorter than the value specified.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

lines — Lines found

structure array

Lines found, returned as a structure array whose length equals the number of merged line segments found. Each element of the structure array has these fields:

Field	Description
point1	Two element vector [X Y] specifying the coordinates of the end-point of the line segment
point2	Two element vector [X Y] specifying the coordinates of the end-point of the line segment
theta	Angle in degrees of the Hough transform bin
rho	rho axis position of the Hough transform bin

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `houghlines` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- The optional parameter names 'FillGap' and 'MinLength' must be compile-time constants. Their associated values need not be compile-time constants.

See Also

`hough` | `houghpeaks`

Introduced before R2006a

houghpeaks

Identify peaks in Hough transform

Syntax

```
peaks = houghpeaks(H,numpeaks)
peaks = houghpeaks( ___,Name,Value,...)
```

Description

`peaks = houghpeaks(H,numpeaks)` locates peaks in the Hough transform matrix, `H`, generated by the `hough` function. `numpeaks` specifies the maximum number of peaks to identify. The function returns `peaks` a matrix that holds the row and column coordinates of the peaks.

`peaks = houghpeaks(___,Name,Value,...)` locates peaks in the Hough transform matrix, where named parameters control aspects of the operation.

Examples

Locate and Display Peaks in Hough Transform of Rotated Image

Read image into workspace.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');
```

Create binary image.

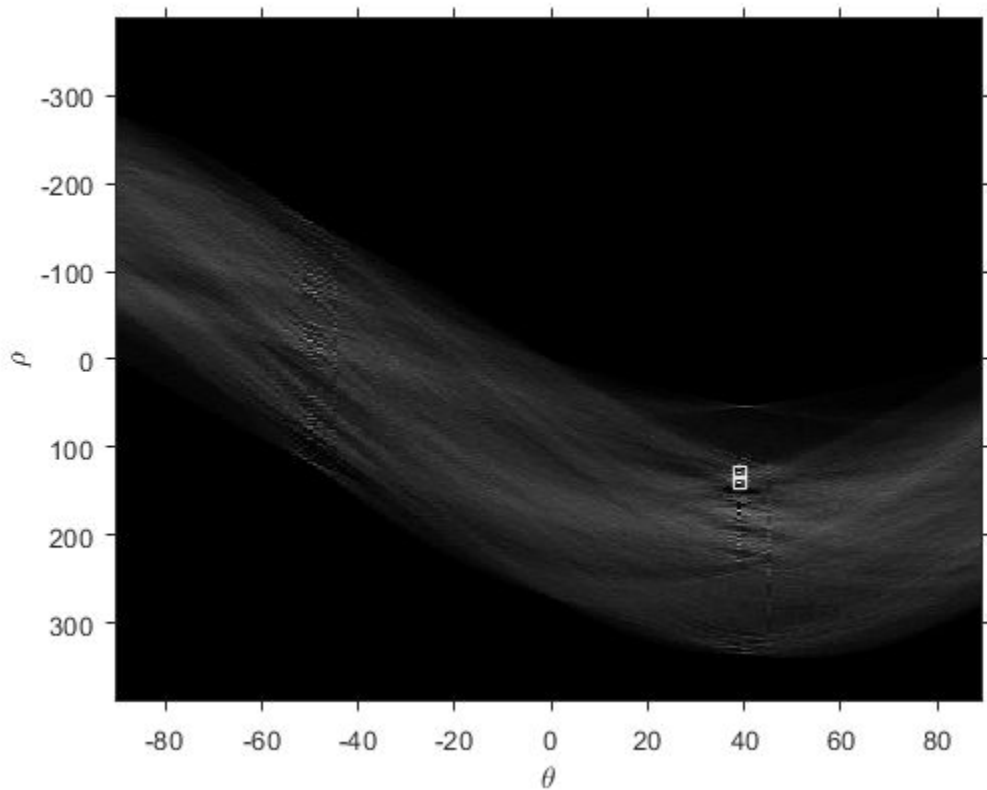
```
BW = edge(imrotate(I,50,'crop'),'canny');
```

Create Hough transform of image.

```
[H,T,R] = hough(BW);
```

Find peaks in the Hough transform of the image and plot them.

```
P = houghpeaks(H,2);  
imshow(H,[],'XData',T,'YData',R,'InitialMagnification','fit');  
xlabel('\theta'), ylabel('\rho');  
axis on, axis normal, hold on;  
plot(T(P(:,2)),R(P(:,1)),'s','color','white');
```



Input Arguments

H — Hough transform matrix
numeric array

Hough transform matrix, specified as a numeric array of class `double`. The rows and columns correspond to `rho` and `theta` values. Use the `hough` function to create a Hough transform matrix.

Data Types: `double`

numpeaks — Maximum number of peaks to identify

1 (default) | positive integer scalar

Maximum number of peaks to identify, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `P = houghpeaks(H,2, 'Threshold',15);`

Threshold — Minimum value to be considered a peak

`0.5*max(H(:))` (default) | nonnegative numeric scalar

Minimum value to be considered a peak, specified as a nonnegative numeric scalar. The value can be any value between `0` and `Inf`.

Data Types: `double`

NHoodSize — Size of suppression neighborhood

smallest odd values greater than or equal to `size(H)/50` (default) | two-element vector of positive odd integers

Size of suppression neighborhood, specified as a two-element vector of positive odd integers. The suppression neighborhood is the neighborhood around each peak that is set to zero after the peak is identified.

Data Types: `double`

Theta — Hough transform theta values

`-90:89` (default) | vector

Hough transform theta values, specified as a vector returned by the `hough` function. Each element of the vector specifies the *theta* value for the corresponding column of the output matrix `H`. `houghpeaks` uses the *theta* values specified for peak suppression.

Note If you specify the `'Theta'` parameter as input to the `hough` function, you must specify the `theta` parameter with the `houghpeaks` function. Use the `theta` output value from the `hough` function as the `theta` input value for `houghpeaks`. Otherwise, peak suppression can result in unexpected results.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

peaks — Row and column coordinates of peaks found

Q-by-2 matrix

Row and column coordinates of peaks found, returned as a *Q*-by-2 matrix, where the value *Q* can range from 0 to `numpeaks`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `houghpeaks` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- The optional parameter names `'Threshold'` and `'NHoodSize'` must be compile-time constants. Their associated values need not be compile-time constants.

See Also

`hough` | `houghlines`

Introduced before R2006a

iccfind

Find ICC profiles

Syntax

```
profiles = iccfind(folder)
profiles = iccfind(folder,pattern)
[profiles,descriptions] = iccfind( ___ )
```

Description

`profiles = iccfind(folder)` finds and returns profile information for all of the International Color Consortium (ICC) profiles stored in the folder.

`profiles = iccfind(folder,pattern)` finds and returns profile information for ICC profiles in the folder whose profile names contain the value `pattern`. The function performs case-insensitive pattern matching to find the ICC profile with the desired profile name.

`[profiles,descriptions] = iccfind(___)` also returns the profile descriptions associated with every profile listed in `profiles`.

Examples

Find International Color Consortium Profiles

Use `iccroot` to find the default folder to which the International Color Consortium (ICC) profiles are stored.

```
folder = iccroot;
disp(folder)
```

```
C:\WINDOWS\System32\Spool\Drivers\Color
```



```
ProfileName =  
'Adobe RGB (1998)'
```

Read Profile Name of ICC Profiles

Find all the ICC profiles stored in default folder. Read the profile information and the descriptions of all ICC profiles.

```
[~,descriptions] = iccfind(folder);
```

Display the descriptions of all the ICC profiles in profiles.

descriptions

```
descriptions = 22x1 cell array  
    {'Adobe RGB (1998)'}  
    {'Apple RGB'}  
    {'Coated FOGRA27 (ISO 12647-2:2004)'}  
    {'Coated FOGRA39 (ISO 12647-2:2004)'}  
    {'Coated GRACoL 2006 (ISO 12647-2:2004)'}  
    {'ColorMatch RGB'}  
    {'Japan Color 2001 Coated'}  
    {'Japan Color 2001 Uncoated'}  
    {'Japan Color 2002 Newspaper'}  
    {'Japan Color 2003 Web Coated'}  
    {'Japan Web Coated (Ad)'}  
    {'ProPhoto RGB'}  
    {'Agfa : Swop Standard'}  
    {'U.S. Sheetfed Coated v2'}  
    {'U.S. Sheetfed Uncoated v2'}  
    {'U.S. Web Coated (SWOP) v2'}  
    {'U.S. Web Uncoated v2'}  
    {'Uncoated FOGRA29 (ISO 12647-2:2004)'}  
    {'Web Coated FOGRA28 (ISO 12647-2:2004)'}  
    {'Web Coated SWOP 2006 Grade 3 Paper'}  
    {'Web Coated SWOP 2006 Grade 5 Paper'}  
    {'sRGB IEC61966-2.1'}
```

Find Specific ICC Profiles

Find ICC profiles with a specific pattern in the profile description. Specify the pattern to search in the profile description as 'rgb'.

```
[profiles,descriptions] = iccfind(folder,'rgb');
```

Display the descriptions of all the ICC profiles in `profiles`. The function returns the profile information and the descriptions for ICC profiles containing the pattern 'rgb' in profile description.

descriptions

```
descriptions = 5x1 cell array
    {'Adobe RGB (1998)' }
    {'Apple RGB'       }
    {'ColorMatch RGB'  }
    {'ProPhoto RGB'   }
    {'sRGB IEC61966-2.1'}
```

Input Arguments

folder — Path to ICC profiles

character vector | string scalar

Path to ICC profiles, specified as a character vector or string scalar denotes the folder in which the ICC profiles are stored. The ICC profiles can have the file extension `.icc` or `.icm`.

Data Types: char | string

pattern — Search key

character vector | string scalar

Search key, specified as a character vector or string scalar. You can use this search key to find ICC profiles whose profile names contain the search key. The ICC profile names are stored in the profile descriptions.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

profiles — Set of profile information

cell array of structures

Set of profile information, returned as a cell array of structures. Each structure in the cell array contains profile information for an ICC profile in the folder.

Data Types: `cell`

descriptions — Profile descriptions

`cell` array of character vectors

Profile descriptions, returned as a `cell` array of character vectors. Each profile description is the localized version of the ICC profile name.

Data Types: `cell`

Tips

- To improve performance, `iccfind` caches copies of the ICC profiles in memory. Adding or modifying profiles might not change the results of `iccfind`. To clear the cache, use the `clear functions` command.

References

[1] Abhay, S. "ICC Color Management: Architecture and Implementation." Color Image Processing: Methods and Applications (R. Lukac and K. N. Plataniotis, eds.). CRC Press, 2006.

See Also

`iccread` | `iccroot` | `iccwrite`

Introduced before R2006a

iccread

Read ICC profile

Syntax

```
profile = iccread(filename)
```

Description

`profile = iccread(filename)` reads the International Color Consortium (ICC) color profile data from the file specified by the input `filename`.

Note `iccread` can read profiles that conform with either Version 2 (ICC.1:2001-04) or Version 4 (ICC.1:2001-12) of the ICC specification. For more information about ICC profiles, visit the ICC website, www.color.org.

Examples

Read ICC Profile for Typical PC Computer Monitor

Read the International Color Consortium (ICC) profile that describes a typical PC computer monitor.

```
profile = iccread('sRGB.icm')

profile = struct with fields:
    Header: [1x1 struct]
    TagTable: {17x3 cell}
    Copyright: 'Copyright (c) 1999 Hewlett-Packard Company'
    Description: [1x1 struct]
    MediaWhitePoint: [0.9505 1 1.0891]
    MediaBlackPoint: [0 0 0]
    DeviceMfgDesc: [1x1 struct]
    DeviceModelDesc: [1x1 struct]
```

```
ViewingCondDesc: [1x1 struct]
ViewingConditions: [1x1 struct]
  Luminance: [76.0365 80 87.1246]
  Measurement: [1x1 struct]
  Technology: 'Cathode Ray Tube Display'
  MatTRC: [1x1 struct]
PrivateTags: {}
  Filename: 'sRGB.icm'
```

Determine the source color space. The profile header provides general information about the profile, such as its class, color space, and PCS.

```
profile.Header.ColorSpace
```

```
ans =
'RGB'
```

Input Arguments

filename — Name of the file containing ICC profile

character vector | string scalar

Name of the file containing ICC profile, specified as a character vector or string scalar. The file can be either an ICC profile file or a TIFF file containing an embedded ICC profile. To determine if a TIFF file contains an embedded ICC profile, use the `imfinfo` function to get information about the file and look for the `ICCProfileOffset` field in the output.

Note If you specify only the file name without its path, `iccread` searches for the file in the current folder, a folder on the MATLABpath, or in the folder returned by `iccroot` in that order.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

profile — ICC profile data

structure array

ICC profile data, returned as a structure array. The fields contain the data structures (called tags) defined in the ICC specification. The number of fields in `profile` depends on the profile class and the choices made by the profile creator. `iccread` returns all the tags for a given profile, both public and private. Private tags and certain public tags are left as encoded `uint8` data. The following table lists fields that are found in any profile structure generated by `iccread`.

Field	Data Type	Description
Header	1-by-1 struct array	Profile header fields.
TagTable	<i>n</i> -by-3 cell array	Profile tag table.
Copyright	Character vector	Profile copyright notice.
Description	1-by-1 struct array	Profile description. The <code>String</code> field in this structure contains a character vector describing the profile.
MediaWhitePoint	double array	XYZ stimulus values of the device's media white point.
PrivateTags	<i>m</i> -by-2 cell array	Contents of all the private tags or tags not defined in the ICC specifications. The tag signatures are in the first column, and the contents of the tags are in the second column. The <code>iccread</code> leaves the contents of these tags in unsigned 8-bit encoding.
Filename	Character vector	Name of the file containing the profile.

Also, `profile` might contain one or more of the following transforms:

- Three-component, matrix-based transform: A simple transform that is often used to transform between the RGB and XYZ color spaces. If this transform is present, `profile` contains a field called `MatTRC`.

- N-component look-up-table (LUT) based transform: A transform that is used for transforming between color spaces that have a more complex relationship. This type of transform is found in any of the following fields in `profile`:

<code>AToB0</code>	<code>BToA0</code>	<code>Preview0</code>
<code>AToB1</code>	<code>BToA1</code>	<code>Preview1</code>
<code>AToB2</code>	<code>BToA2</code>	<code>Preview2</code>
<code>AToB3</code>	<code>BToA3</code>	<code>Gamut</code>

Data Types: `struct`

Tips

- ICC profiles provide color management systems with the information necessary to convert color data between native device color spaces and device-independent color spaces, called the Profile Connection Space (PCS). You can use the profile as the source or destination profile with the `makecform` or `applycform` functions to compute color space transformations.

See Also

`applycform` | `iccfind` | `iccroot` | `iccwrite` | `isicc` | `makecform`

Introduced before R2006a

iccroot

Find system default ICC profile repository

Syntax

```
rootdir = iccroot
```

Description

`rootdir = iccroot` returns the system directory containing International Color Consortium (ICC) profiles. Additional profiles can be stored in other directories, but this is the default location used by the color management system.

Examples

Find System Directory Containing ICC Profiles

Find the default location of International Color Consortium (ICC) profile repository.

```
rootdir = iccroot
```

```
rootdir =  
'C:\WINDOWS\System32\Spool\Drivers\Color'
```

See Also

`iccfind` | `iccread` | `iccwrite`

Introduced before R2006a

iccwrite

Write ICC color profile data

Syntax

```
outProfile = iccwrite(inProfile,filename)
```

Description

`outProfile = iccwrite(inProfile,filename)` writes an International Color Consortium (ICC) profile data in structure `inProfile` to the file specified by `filename`.

You can use this function to modify fields in an ICC profile data structure and write it to a file with name `filename`. For example, some applications use the string field in profile description to present choices to users. The ICC recommends modifying the profile description in ICC profile data before writing the data to a file. Each profile is recommended to have a unique profile description. You can therefore, use the `iccwrite` function to modify the profile description.

Note `iccwrite` can write profiles that conform with either Version 2 (ICC.1:2001-04) or Version 4 (ICC.1:2001-12) of the ICC specification. To determine the version of the ICC specification, use `version` field in the `Header` of profile data structure. Based on the version, format the `inProfile` for output. For more information about ICC profiles, visit the ICC website, www.color.org.

Examples

Write ICC Profile Data to a File

Read an ICC profile data into the workspace and display the profile name.

```
inProfile = iccread('monitor.icm');  
inProfile.Description.String
```

```
ans =
'sgC4_050102_d50.pf'
```

Change the profile name to 'monitor_RGB'.

```
inProfile.Description.String = 'monitor_RGB';
```

Write the updated ICC profile data to a new file and display the corresponding output ICC profile data. The new file is created in the current working folder.

```
outProfile = iccwrite(inProfile,'monitorcolor.icm')
```

```
outProfile = struct with fields:
    Header: [1x1 struct]
    TagTable: {11x3 cell}
    Description: [1x1 struct]
    MediaWhitePoint: [0.9642 1.0000 0.8249]
    Copyright: 'Copyright Sequel Imaging Inc. 1996-2001'
    MediaBlackPoint: [0 0 0]
    MatTRC: [1x1 struct]
    PrivateTags: {'vcgt' [1x786 uint8]}
    Filename: 'monitorcolor.icm'
```

Verify the modified description in output ICC profile data.

```
outProfile.Description.String
```

```
ans =
'monitor_RGB'
```

Input Arguments

inProfile — Input ICC profile data

structure array

Input ICC profile data, specified as a structure array represents an ICC profile in the data format returned by `iccread`. The ICC profile data must contain all the tags and fields required by the ICC profile specification. The input ICC profile data is written to `filename`.

Data Types: `struct`

filename — Name of the file to write ICC profile data

character vector | string scalar

Name of the file to write ICC profile data, specified as a character vector or string scalar. Depending on the operating system, you can save the file with an extension `.icc` or `.icm`.

Note If you specify only the file name without its path, `iccwrite` writes the file to current working folder.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

outProfile — Output ICC profile data

structure array

Output ICC profile data, returned as a structure array gives the ICC profile data written to the file `filename`.

Data Types: `struct`

Tips

`iccwrite` does not perform automatic conversions from one version of the ICC specification to another. Do the conversion manually by adding fields or modifying fields in ICC profile data. Use `isicc` to validate the converted ICC profile data.

See Also

`applycform` | `iccread` | `isicc` | `makecform`

Introduced before R2006a

idct2

2-D inverse discrete cosine transform

Syntax

```
B = idct2(A)
B = idct2(A,m,n)
B = idct2(A,[m n])
```

Description

`B = idct2(A)` returns the two-dimensional inverse discrete cosine transform (DCT) of `A`.

`B = idct2(A,m,n)` and

`B = idct2(A,[m n])` pads `A` with 0s to size `m`-by-`n` before applying the inverse transformation. If `m` or `n` is smaller than the corresponding dimension of `A`, then `idct2` crops `A` before the transformation.

Examples

Remove High Frequencies in Image using DCT

This example shows how to remove high frequencies from an image using the two-dimensional discrete cosine transfer (DCT).

Read an image into the workspace, then convert the image to grayscale.

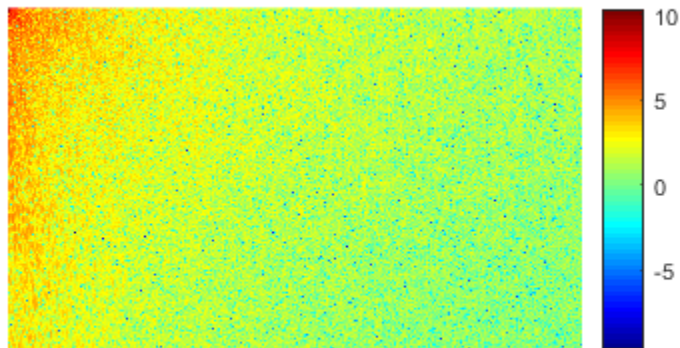
```
RGB = imread('autumn.tif');
I = rgb2gray(RGB);
```

Perform a 2-D DCT of the grayscale image using the `dct2` function.

```
J = dct2(I);
```

Display the transformed image using a logarithmic scale. Notice that most of the energy is in the upper left corner.

```
figure
imshow(log(abs(J)), [])
colormap(gca, jet(64))
colorbar
```



Set values less than magnitude 10 in the DCT matrix to zero.

```
J(abs(J) < 10) = 0;
```

Reconstruct the image using the inverse DCT function `idct2`.

```
K = idct2(J);
```

Display the original grayscale image alongside the processed image.

```
figure
imshowpair(I,K,'montage')
title('Original Grayscale Image (Left) and Processed Image (Right)');
```

Original Grayscale Image (Left) and Processed Image (Right)



Input Arguments

A — Input matrix

2-D numeric matrix

Input matrix, specified as a 2-D numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

m — Number of image rows

`size(A,1)` (default) | positive integer

Number of image rows, specified as a positive integer. `idct2` pads image A with 0s or truncates image A so that it has m rows. By default, m is equal to `size(A,1)`.

n — Number of image columns

`size(A,2)` (default) | positive integer

Number of image columns, specified as a positive integer. `idct2` pads image A with 0s or truncates image A so that it has n columns. By default, n is equal to `size(A,2)`

Output Arguments

B — Transformed matrix

m-by-n numeric matrix

Transformed matrix using a two-dimensional discrete cosine transform, returned as an m-by-n numeric matrix.

Data Types: double

Tips

- For any matrix A, `idct2(dct2(A))` equals A to within round-off error.

Algorithms

`idct2` computes the two-dimensional inverse DCT using:

$$A_{mn} = \sum_{p=0}^{M-1} \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} \alpha_p \alpha_q B_{pq} \cos \frac{\pi(2m+1)p}{2M} \cos \frac{\pi(2n+1)q}{2N}, \quad 0 \leq m \leq M-1, \quad 0 \leq n \leq N-1,$$

where

$$\alpha_p = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}}, & p = 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{M}}, & 1 \leq p \leq M-1 \end{cases}$$

and

$$\alpha_q = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}, & q = 0 \\ \sqrt{\frac{2}{N}}, & 1 \leq q \leq N-1 \end{cases}.$$

References

- [1] Jain, A. K., *Fundamentals of Digital Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1989, pp. 150-153.
- [2] Pennebaker, W. B., and J. L. Mitchell, *JPEG: Still Image Data Compression Standard*, New York, Van Nostrand Reinhold, 1993.

See Also

dct2 | dctmtx | fft2 | ifft2

Introduced before R2006a

ifanbeam

Inverse fan-beam transform

Syntax

```
I = ifanbeam(F,D)
I = ifanbeam(F,D,Name,Value)
[I,H] = ifanbeam( ___ )
```

Description

`I = ifanbeam(F,D)` reconstructs the image `I` from fan-beam projection data in `F`. Each column of `F` contains fan-beam projection data at one rotation angle. The angle between sensors is assumed to be uniform and equal to the increment between fan-beam rotation angles. `D` is the distance from the fan-beam vertex to the center of rotation.

`I = ifanbeam(F,D,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control various aspects of the reconstruction. Argument names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

`[I,H] = ifanbeam(___)` also returns the frequency response of the filter, `H`.

Examples

Recreate Image from Fan-beam Transformation

Create a sample image. The `phantom` function creates a phantom head image.

```
ph = phantom(128);
```

Create a fan-beam transformation of the phantom head image.

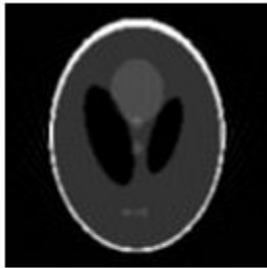
```
d = 100;
F = fanbeam(ph,d);
```

Reconstitute the phantom head image from the fan-beam representation. Display the original image and the reconstituted image.

```
I = ifanbeam(F,d);  
imshow(ph)
```



```
figure  
imshow(I);
```



Generate Fan-beam with Fancoverage Set to Minimal

Create a sample image. The phantom function creates a phantom head image.

```
ph = phantom(128);
```

Create a radon transformation of the image.

```
P = radon(ph);
```

Convert the transformation from parallel beam projection to fan-beam projection.

```
[F,obeta,otheta] = para2fan(P,100,...  
    'FanSensorSpacing',0.5,...  
    'FanCoverage','minimal',...  
    'FanRotationIncrement',1);
```

Reconstitute the image from fan-beam data.

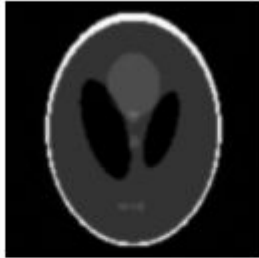
```
phReconstructed = ifanbeam(F,100,...  
    'FanSensorSpacing',0.5,...  
    'Filter','Shepp-Logan',...  
    'OutputSize',128,...  
    'FanCoverage','minimal',...  
    'FanRotationIncrement',1);
```

Display the original and the transformed image.

```
imshow(ph)
```



```
figure
imshow(phReconstructed)
```



Input Arguments

F — Fan-beam projection data

numsensors-by-numangles numeric matrix

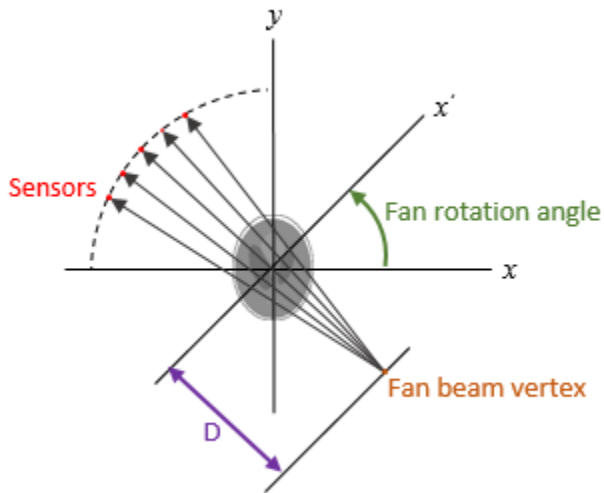
Fan-beam projection data, specified as a *numsensors-by-numangles* numeric matrix. *numsensors* is the number of fan-beam sensors and *numangles* is the number of fan-beam rotation angles. Each column of *F* contains the fan-beam sensor samples at one rotation angle.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

D — Distance from fan-beam vertex to center of rotation

positive number

Distance in pixels from the fan-beam vertex to the center of rotation, specified as a positive number. `ifanbeam` assumes that the center of rotation is the center point of the projections, which is defined as `ceil(size(F,1)/2)`. The figure illustrates *D* in relation to the fan-beam vertex for one fan-beam projection.



Data Types: double | single

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `I = ifanbeam(F,D,'FanRotationIncrement',5)`

FanCoverage — Range of fan-beam rotation

'cycle' (default) | 'minimal'

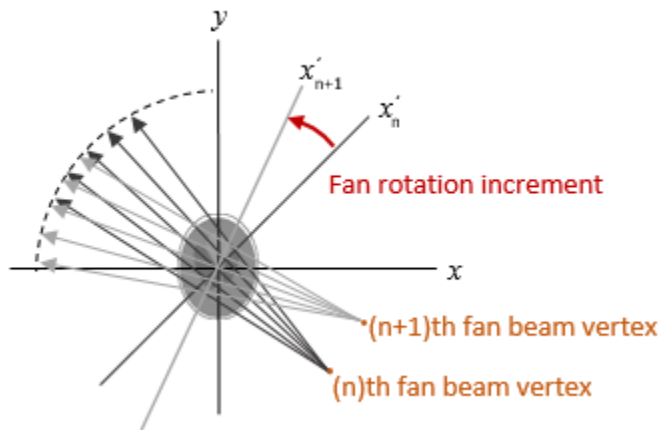
Range of fan-beam rotation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanCoverage' and one of these values.

- 'cycle' — Rotate through the full range [0, 360) degrees.
- 'minimal' — Rotate through the minimum range necessary to represent the object.

FanRotationIncrement — Fan-beam rotation angle increment

1 (default) | positive scalar

Fan-beam rotation angle increment in degrees, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanRotationIncrement' and a positive scalar.

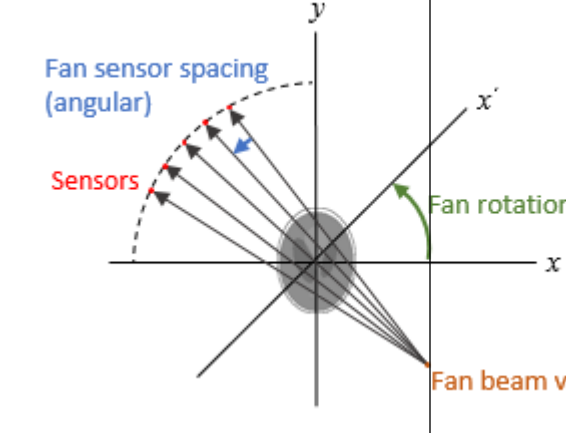
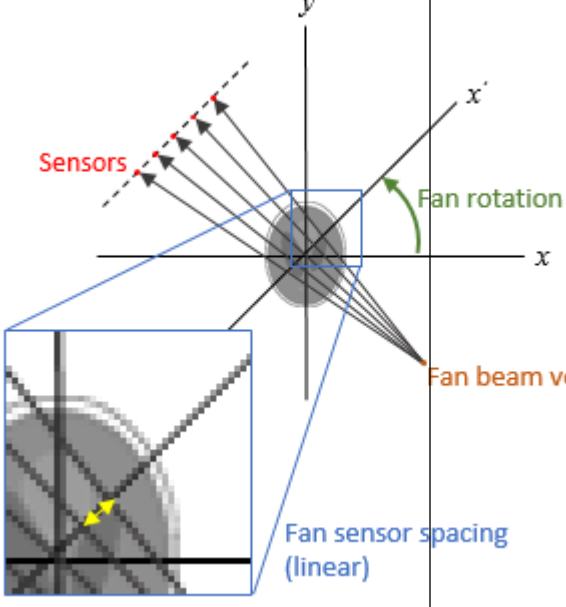


Data Types: double

FanSensorGeometry — Fan-beam sensor positioning

'arc' (default) | 'line'

Fan-beam sensor positioning, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanSensorGeometry' and one of the following values.

Value	Meaning	Diagram
'arc'	<p>Sensors are spaced at equal angles along a circular arc at distance D from the center of rotation.</p> <p>FanSensorSpacing defines the angular spacing in degrees.</p>	 <p>Fan sensor spacing (angular)</p> <p>Sensors</p> <p>Fan rotation</p> <p>Fan beam vectors</p>
'line'	<p>Sensors are spaced at equal distances along a line that is parallel to the x' axis. The closest sensor is distance D from the center of rotation.</p> <p>FanSensorSpacing defines the distance between fan-beams on the x' axis, in pixels.</p>	 <p>Sensors</p> <p>Fan rotation</p> <p>Fan beam vectors</p> <p>Fan sensor spacing (linear)</p>

FanSensorSpacing — Fan-bean sensor spacing

1 (default) | positive scalar

Fan-beam sensor spacing, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanSensorSpacing' and a positive scalar.

- If FanSensorGeometry is 'arc', then FanSensorSpacing defines the angular spacing in degrees.
- If FanSensorGeometry is 'line', then FanSensorSpacing defines the linear distance between fan-beams, in pixels. Linear spacing is measured on the x' axis.

Data Types: double

Filter — Filter

'Ram-Lak' (default) | 'Shepp-Logan' | 'Cosine' | 'Hamming' | 'Hann' | 'None'

Filter to use for frequency domain filtering, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Filter' and one of the values in the table. For more information, see `iradon`.

Value	Description
'Ram-Lak'	Cropped Ram-Lak or ramp filter. The frequency response of this filter is $ f $. Because this filter is sensitive to noise in the projections, one of the filters listed below might be preferable. These filters multiply the Ram-Lak filter by a window that de-emphasizes high frequencies.
'Shepp-Logan'	Multiplies the Ram-Lak filter by a <code>sinc</code> function
'Cosine'	Multiplies the Ram-Lak filter by a <code>cosine</code> function
'Hamming'	Multiplies the Ram-Lak filter by a Hamming window
'Hann'	Multiplies the Ram-Lak filter by a Hann window
'None'	No filtering. <code>ifanbeam</code> returns unfiltered data.

Data Types: char | string

FrequencyScaling — Scale factor

1 (default) | positive number in the range (0, 1]

Scale factor for rescaling the frequency axis, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FrequencyScaling' and a positive number in the range (0, 1]. If 'FrequencyScaling' is less than 1, then the filter is compressed to fit into the frequency range $[0, \text{FrequencyScaling}]$, in normalized frequencies; all frequencies above `FrequencyScaling` are set to 0. For more information, see `iradon`.

Data Types: double

Interpolation — Type of interpolation

'Linear' (default) | 'nearest' | 'spline' | 'pchip'

Type of interpolation used between the parallel-beam and fan-beam data, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Interpolation' and one of the following values.

'nearest' — Nearest-neighbor

'linear' — Linear (the default)

'spline' — Piecewise cubic spline

'pchip' — Piecewise cubic Hermite (PCHIP)

Data Types: char | string

OutputSize — Size of reconstructed image

positive integer

Size of the reconstructed image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'OutputSize' and a positive integer. The image has an equal number of rows and columns.

If you specify `OutputSize`, then `ifanbeam` reconstructs a smaller or larger portion of the image but does not change the scaling of the data.

Note If the projections were calculated with the `fanbeam` function, then the reconstructed image might not be the same size as the original image.

If you do not specify `OutputSize`, then the size is calculated automatically by:

```
OutputSize = 2*floor(size(R,1)/(2*sqrt(2)))
```

where `R` is the length of parallel-beam projection data used by `iradon`. For more information, see “Algorithms” on page 1-1013.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

I — Reconstructed image

2-D numeric matrix

Reconstructed image, specified as a 2-D numeric matrix.

H — Frequency response

numeric vector

Frequency response of the filter, returned as a numeric vector.

Data Types: `double`

Tips

- To perform an inverse fan-beam reconstruction, you must give `ifanbeam` the same parameters that were used to calculate the projection data, `F`. If you use `fanbeam` to calculate the projection, then make sure the parameters are consistent when calling `ifanbeam`.

Algorithms

`ifanbeam` converts the fan-beam data to parallel beam projections and then uses the filtered back projection algorithm to perform the inverse Radon transform. The filter is designed directly in the frequency domain and then multiplied by the FFT of the projections. The projections are zero-padded to a power of 2 before filtering to prevent spatial domain aliasing and to speed up the FFT.

References

- [1] Kak, A. C., and M. Slaney, *Principles of Computerized Tomographic Imaging*, New York, NY, IEEE Press, 1988.

See Also

`fan2para` | `fanbeam` | `iradon` | `para2fan` | `phantom` | `radon`

Introduced before R2006a

illumgray

Estimate illuminant using gray world algorithm

Syntax

```
illuminant = illumgray(A)  
illuminant = illumgray(A,percentile)  
illuminant = illumgray( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`illuminant = illumgray(A)` estimates the illumination of the scene in RGB image A by assuming that the average color of the scene is gray.

`illuminant = illumgray(A,percentile)` estimates the illumination, excluding the specified bottom and top percentiles of pixel values.

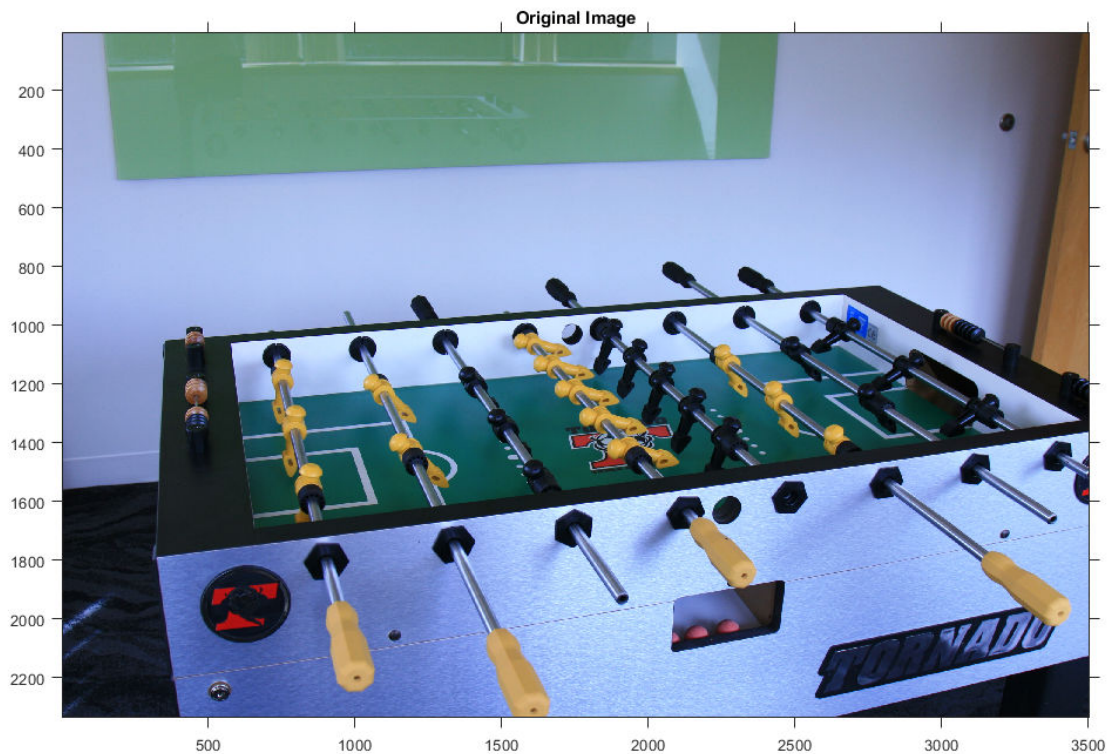
`illuminant = illumgray(____,Name,Value)` estimates the illumination using name-value pairs to control additional options.

Examples

Correct White Balance Using Gray World Algorithm

Open an image and display it. Specify an optional magnification to shrink the size of the displayed image.

```
A = imread('foosball.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(A,'InitialMagnification',25)  
title('Original Image')
```



The gray world algorithm assumes that the RGB values are linear. However, the JPEG file format saves images in the gamma-corrected sRGB color space. Undo the gamma correction by using the `rgb2lin` function.

```
A_lin = rgb2lin(A);
```

Estimate the scene illumination, excluding the top and bottom 10% of pixels. Because the input image has been linearized, `illumgray` returns the illuminant in the linear RGB color space.

```
percentiles = 10;  
illuminant = illumgray(A_lin,percentiles)
```

```
illuminant = I×3
```

```
0.2206    0.2985    0.5219
```

The third coefficient of `illuminant` is the largest, which is consistent with the blue tint of the image.

Correct colors by providing the estimated illuminant to the `chromadapt` function.

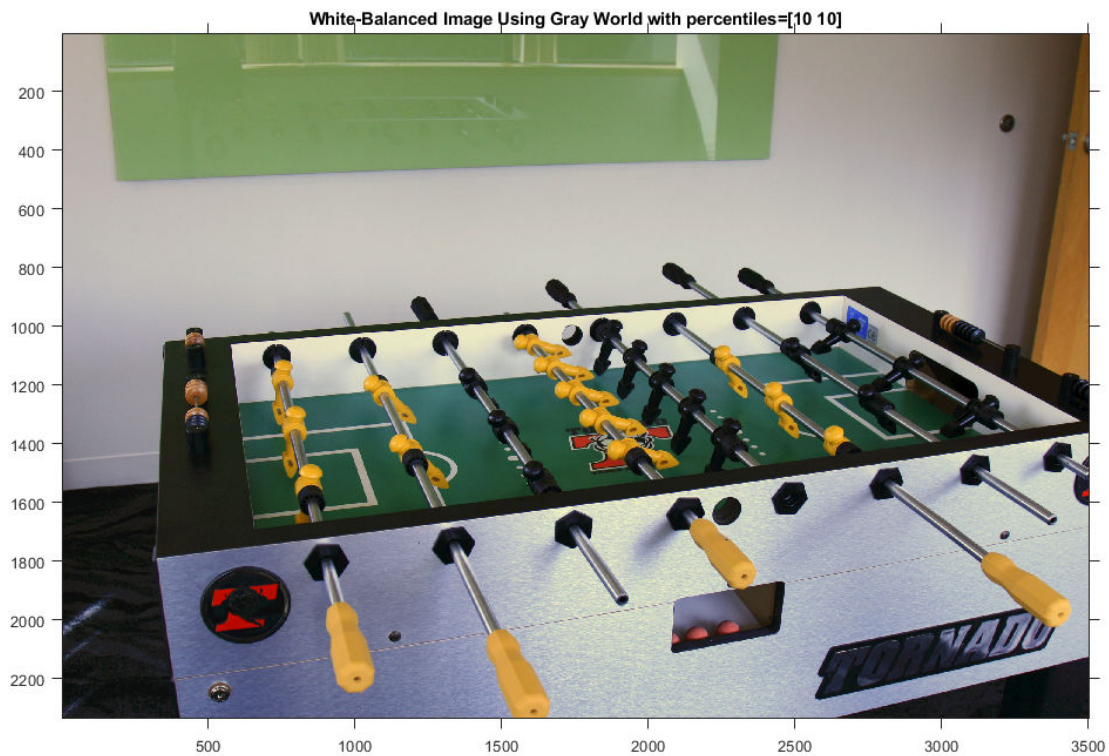
```
B_lin = chromadapt(A_lin,illuminant,'ColorSpace','linear-rgb');
```

To display the white-balanced image correctly on the screen, apply gamma correction by using the `lin2rgb` function.

```
B = lin2rgb(B_lin);
```

Display the corrected image, setting the optional magnification.

```
figure
imshow(B,'InitialMagnification',25)
title(['White-Balanced Image Using Gray World with percentiles=[' ...
      num2str(percentiles) ' ' num2str(percentiles) ']'])
```



Input Arguments

A — Input RGB image

real, nonsparse, m -by- n -by-3 array

Input RGB image, specified as a real, nonsparse, m -by- n -by-3 array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

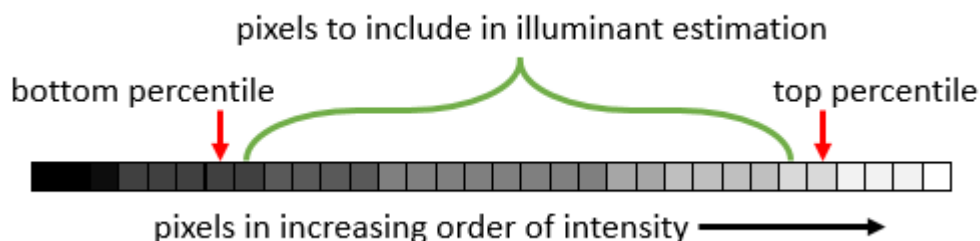
percentile — Percentile of pixels to exclude

1 (default) | numeric scalar | 2-element numeric vector

Percentile of pixels to exclude from the illuminant estimation, specified as a numeric scalar or 2-element numeric vector. Excluding pixels helps prevent overexposed and underexposed pixels from skewing the estimation.

- If `percentile` is a scalar, the same value is used for both the bottom percentile and the top percentile. In this case, `percentile` must be in the range $[0, 50]$ so that the sum of the bottom and top percentiles does not exceed 100.
- If `percentile` is a 2-element vector, the first element is the bottom percentile and the second element is the top percentile. Both percentiles must be in the range $[0, 100]$ and their sum cannot exceed 100.

The following image indicates the range of pixels that are included in the illuminant estimation. The selection is separate for each color channel.



Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `illuminant = illumgray(I, 'Mask', m)` estimates the scene illuminant using a subset of pixels in image `I`, selected according to a binary mask, `m`.

Mask — Image mask

m-by-*n* logical or numeric array

Image mask, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Mask'` and an *m*-by-*n* logical or numeric array. The mask indicates which pixels of the input image `A` to use

when estimating the illuminant. The computation excludes pixels in *A* that correspond to a mask value of 0. By default, the mask has all 1s, and all pixels in *A* are included in the estimation.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Norm — Type of vector norm (p-norm)

1 (default) | positive numeric scalar

Type of vector norm (p-norm), specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Norm' and a positive numeric scalar. The p-norm affects the calculation of the average RGB value in the input image *A*. The p-norm is defined as $\text{sum}(\text{abs}(x)^p)^{1/p}$.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

`illuminant` — Estimate of scene illumination

3-element numeric row vector

Estimate of scene illumination, returned as a 3-element numeric row vector. The three elements correspond to the red, green, and blue values of the illuminant.

Data Types: `double`

Tips

- The gray world algorithm assumes uniform illumination and linear RGB values. If you are working with nonlinear sRGB or Adobe RGB images, use the `rgb2lin` function to undo the gamma correction before using `illumgray`. Also, make sure to convert the chromatically adapted image back to sRGB by using the `lin2rgb` function.
- When you specify `Mask` on page 1-0 , the bottom percentile and top percentile apply to the masked image.
- You can adjust the color balance of the image to remove the scene illumination by using the `chromadapt` function.

References

[1] Ebner, Marc. "The Gray World Assumption." *Color Constancy*. Chichester, West Sussex: John Wiley & Sons, 2007.

See Also

`chromadapt` | `illumpca` | `illumwhite` | `lin2rgb` | `rgb2lin`

Introduced in R2017b

illumpca

Estimate illuminant using principal component analysis (PCA)

Syntax

```
illuminant = illumpca(A)
illuminant = illumpca(A,percentage)
illuminant = illumpca( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`illuminant = illumpca(A)` estimates the illumination of the scene in RGB image `A` from large color differences using principal component analysis (PCA).

`illuminant = illumpca(A,percentage)` estimates the illumination using the specified percentage of darkest and brightest pixels.

`illuminant = illumpca(____,Name,Value)` estimates the illumination using name-value pairs to control additional options.

Examples

Correct White Balance Using Principal Component Analysis

Open an image and display it. Specify an optional magnification to shrink the size of the displayed image.

```
A = imread('foosball.jpg');
figure
imshow(A,'InitialMagnification',25)
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Principal component analysis assumes that the RGB values are linear. However, the JPEG file format saves images in the gamma-corrected sRGB color space. Undo the gamma correction by using the `rgb2lin` function.

```
A_lin = rgb2lin(A);
```

Estimate the scene illumination from the darkest and brightest 3.5% of pixels (the default percentage). Because the input image is linear, the `illumpca` function returns the illuminant in the linear RGB color space,

```
illuminant = illumpca(A_lin)
```

```
illuminant = 1×3
```

```
    0.4075    0.5547    0.7254
```

The third coefficient of `illuminant` is the largest, which is consistent with the blue tint of the image.

Correct colors by providing the estimated illuminant to the `chromadapt` function.

```
B_lin = chromadapt(A_lin,illuminant,'ColorSpace','linear-rgb');
```

To display the white-balanced image correctly on the screen, apply gamma correction by using the `lin2rgb` function.

```
B = lin2rgb(B_lin);
```

Display the corrected image, setting the optional magnification.

```
figure  
imshow(B,'InitialMagnification',25)  
title('White-Balanced Image using Principal Component Analysis')
```

White-Balanced Image using Principal Component Analysis



Input Arguments

A — Input RGB image

real, nonsparse, m -by- n -by-3 array

Input RGB image, specified as a real, nonsparse, m -by- n -by-3 array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

percentage — Percentage of pixels to retain

3.5 (default) | numeric scalar

Percentage of pixels to retain for the illuminant estimation, specified as a numeric scalar in the range (0, 50].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `illuminant = illumpca(I, 'Mask', m)` estimates the scene illuminant using a subset of pixels in image `I`, selected according to a binary mask, `m`.

Mask — Image mask

m -by- n logical or numeric array

Image mask, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Mask'` and an m -by- n logical or numeric array. The mask indicates which pixels of the input image `A` to use when estimating the illuminant. The computation excludes pixels in `A` that correspond to a mask value of 0. By default, the mask has all 1s, and all pixels in `A` are included in the estimation.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

illuminant — Estimate of scene illumination

3-element numeric row vector

Estimate of scene illumination, returned as a 3-element numeric row vector. The three elements correspond to the red, green, and blue values of the illuminant.

Data Types: `double`

Tips

- The algorithm assumes uniform illumination and linear RGB values. If you are working with nonlinear sRGB or Adobe RGB images, use the `rgb2lin` function to undo the gamma correction before using `illumpca`. Also, make sure to convert the chromatically adapted image back to sRGB or Adobe RGB by using the `lin2rgb` function.

Algorithms

Pixel colors are represented as vectors in the RGB color space. The algorithm orders colors according to the brightness, or norm, of their projection on the average color in the image. The algorithm retains only the darkest and brightest colors, according to this ordering. Principal component analysis (PCA) is then performed on the subset of colors. The first component of PCA indicates the illuminant estimate.

References

- [1] Cheng, Dongliang, Dilip K. Prasad, and Michael S. Brown. "Illuminant Estimation for Color Constancy: Why spatial-domain methods work and the role of the color distribution." *Journal of the Optical Society of America A*. Vol. 31, Number 5, 2014, pp. 1049-1058.

See Also

`chromadapt` | `illumgray` | `illumwhite` | `lin2rgb` | `rgb2lin`

Introduced in R2017b

illumwhite

Estimate illuminant using White Patch Retinex algorithm

Syntax

```
illuminant = illumwhite(A)
illuminant = illumwhite(A,topPercentile)
illuminant = illumwhite( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`illuminant = illumwhite(A)` estimates the scene illumination in RGB image `A` by assuming that the top 1% brightest red, green, and blue values represent the color white.

`illuminant = illumwhite(A,topPercentile)` estimates the illumination using the `topPercentile` percentage brightest red, green, and blue values.

`illuminant = illumwhite(____,Name,Value)` estimates the illumination using name-value pairs to control additional options.

Examples

Correct White Balance Using White Patch Retinex Algorithm

Open an image and display it. Specify an optional magnification to shrink the size of the displayed image.

```
A = imread('foosball.jpg');
figure
imshow(A,'InitialMagnification',25)
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



The JPEG file format saves images in the gamma-corrected sRGB color space. Undo the gamma correction by using the `rgb2lin` function.

```
A_lin = rgb2lin(A);
```

Estimate the scene illumination from the top 5% brightest pixels. Because the input image has been linearized, the `illumwhite` function returns the illuminant in the linear RGB color space.

```
topPercentile = 5;  
illuminant = illumwhite(A,topPercentile)
```

```
illuminant = 1×3
```

```
    0.7333    0.8314    1.0000
```

The third coefficient of `illuminant` is the largest, which is consistent with the blue tint of the image.

Correct colors by providing the estimated illuminant to the `chromadapt` function.

```
B_lin = chromadapt(A_lin,illuminant,'ColorSpace','linear-rgb');
```

To display the white-balanced image correctly on the screen, apply gamma correction by using the `lin2rgb` function.

```
B = lin2rgb(B_lin);
```

Display the corrected image, setting the optional magnification.

```
figure
imshow(B,'InitialMagnification',25)
title(['White-Balanced Image using White Patch with topPercentile=' ...
      num2str(topPercentile)])
```

White-Balanced Image using White Patch with topPercentile=5



Input Arguments

A — Input RGB image

real, nonsparse, m -by- n -by-3 array

Input RGB image, specified as a real, nonsparse, m -by- n -by-3 array.

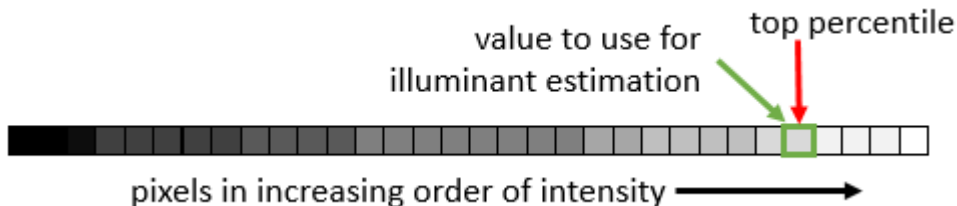
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

topPercentile — Percentile of brightest colors

1 (default) | numeric scalar

Percentile of brightest colors to use for illuminant estimation, specified as a numeric scalar in the range [0, 100). To return the maximum red, green, and blue values, set `topPercentile` to 0.

The image indicates the red, green, and blue value that is selected to estimate the illuminant. The selection is separate for each color channel.



Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `illuminant = illumwhite(I, 'Mask', m)` estimates the scene illuminant using a subset of pixels in image `I`, selected according to a binary mask, `m`.

Mask — Image mask

m-by-*n* logical or numeric array

Image mask, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Mask'` and an *m*-by-*n* logical or numeric array. The mask indicates which pixels of the input image `A` to use when estimating the illuminant. The computation excludes pixels in `A` that correspond to a mask value of 0. By default, the mask has all 1s, and all pixels in `A` are included in the estimation.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

illuminant — Estimate of scene illumination

3-element numeric row vector

Estimate of scene illumination, returned as a 3-element numeric row vector. The three elements correspond to the red, green, and blue values of the illuminant.

Data Types: double

References

[1] Ebner, Marc. "White Patch Retinex." *Color Constancy*. Chichester, West Sussex: John Wiley & Sons, 2007.

See Also

`chromadapt` | `illumgray` | `illumpca` | `lin2rgb` | `rgb2lin` | `whitepoint`

Introduced in R2017b

im2bw

Convert image to binary image, based on threshold

Note `im2bw` is not recommended. Use `imbinarize` instead. For more information, see “Compatibility Considerations”.

Syntax

```
BW = im2bw(I,level)
BW = im2bw(X,cmap,level)
BW = im2bw(RGB,level)
```

Description

`BW = im2bw(I,level)` converts the grayscale image `I` to binary image `BW`, by replacing all pixels in the input image with luminance greater than `level` with the value 1 (white) and replacing all other pixels with the value 0 (black).

This range is relative to the signal levels possible for the image's class. Therefore, a `level` value of 0.5 corresponds to an intensity value halfway between the minimum and maximum value of the class.

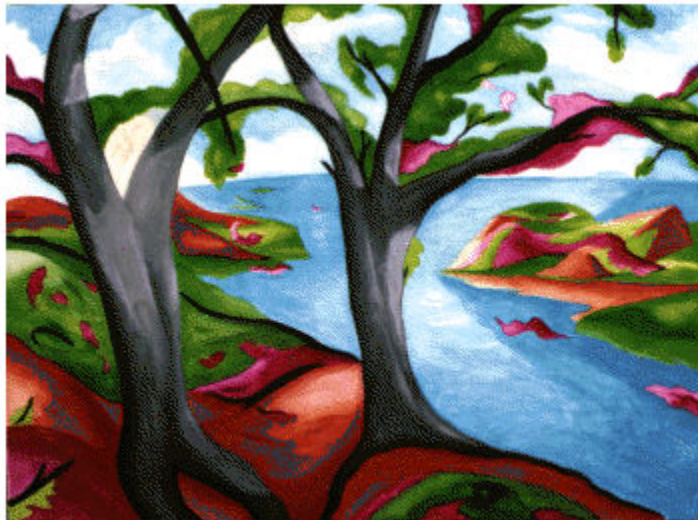
`BW = im2bw(X,cmap,level)` converts the indexed image `X` with colormap `cmap` to a binary image.

`BW = im2bw(RGB,level)` converts the truecolor image `RGB` to a binary image.

Examples

Convert an Indexed Image To a Binary Image

```
load trees
BW = im2bw(X,map,0.4);
imshow(X,map), figure, imshow(BW)
```





Input Arguments

I — 2-D grayscale image

m-by-n numeric matrix

2-D grayscale image, specified as an *m-by-n* numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

X — 2-D indexed image

m-by-n numeric matrix

2-D indexed image, specified as an *m-by-n* numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

cmap — Color map

c-by-3 numeric matrix

Color map associated with indexed image *X*, specified as a *c*-by-3 numeric matrix containing the RGB values of *c* colors.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

RGB — 2-D RGB image

m-by-*n*-by-3 numeric matrix

2-D RGB image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

level — Luminance threshold

0.5 (default) | number in the range [0, 1]

Luminance threshold, specified as a number in the range [0, 1]. To compute `level`, you can use the `graythresh` function.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

BW — Binary image

m-by-*n* logical matrix

Binary image, returned as an *m*-by-*n* logical matrix.

Data Types: `logical`

Algorithms

If the input image is not a grayscale image, `im2bw` converts the input image to grayscale using `ind2gray` or `rgb2gray`, and then converts this grayscale image to binary by thresholding.

Compatibility Considerations

im2bw is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2016a

The default luminance threshold of `im2bw` is not optimal for most images. If you want to use a threshold appropriate for your image, you must compute the level using `graythresh` before calling `im2bw`.

In R2016a, the `imbinarize` function was introduced. This function computes the luminance threshold and performs binarization in one step. `imbinarize` has additional benefits, such as the ability to perform adaptive thresholding when the image has nonuniform shading. For more information, see [Image Binarization - New 2016a Functions](#).

The table shows some typical usages of `im2bw` and how to update your code to use `imbinarize` instead.

Not Recommended	Recommended
<code>BW = im2bw(I);</code>	<code>BW = imbinarize(I,0.5);</code>
<code>thresh = graythresh(I); BW = im2bw(I,thresh);</code>	<code>BW = imbinarize(I);</code>

There are no plans to remove `im2bw` at this time.

See Also

[graythresh](#) | [imbinarize](#) | [ind2gray](#) | [rgb2gray](#)

Introduced before R2006a

im2col

Rearrange image blocks into columns

Syntax

```
B = im2col(A,[m n],'distinct')
B = im2col(A,[m n],'sliding')
B = im2col(A,[m n])
B = im2col(A,'indexed', ___)
```

Description

`B = im2col(A,[m n],'distinct')` rearranges discrete image blocks of size `m`-by-`n` into columns, and returns the concatenated columns in matrix `B`. The `im2col` function pads image `A`, if necessary. For more information about the padding value, see “Tips” on page 1-1041.

The order of the columns in matrix `B` is determined by traversing the image `A` in a column-wise manner. For example, if `A` consists of distinct blocks A_{ij} arranged as `A = [A11 A12; A21 A22]`, then `B = [A11(:) A21(:) A12(:) A22(:)]`.

`B = im2col(A,[m n],'sliding')` or

`B = im2col(A,[m n])` rearranges sliding image neighborhoods of size `m`-by-`n` into columns with no zero-padding, and returns the concatenated columns in matrix `B`.

`B = im2col(A,'indexed', ___)` interprets `A` as an indexed image.

Examples

Calculate Local Mean Using [2 2] Neighborhood

Create a matrix.

```
A = reshape(linspace(0,1,16),[4 4])'
```

```
A = 4×4
```

```
    0    0.0667    0.1333    0.2000
    0.2667    0.3333    0.4000    0.4667
    0.5333    0.6000    0.6667    0.7333
    0.8000    0.8667    0.9333    1.0000
```

Rearrange the values into a column-wise arrangement.

```
B = im2col(A,[2 2])
```

```
B = 4×9
```

```
    0    0.2667    0.5333    0.0667    0.3333    0.6000    0.1333    0.4000    0.0667
    0.2667    0.5333    0.8000    0.3333    0.6000    0.8667    0.4000    0.6667    0.9333
    0.0667    0.3333    0.6000    0.1333    0.4000    0.6667    0.2000    0.4667    0.7333
    0.3333    0.6000    0.8667    0.4000    0.6667    0.9333    0.4667    0.7333    1.0000
```

Calculate the mean.

```
M = mean(B)
```

```
M = 1×9
```

```
    0.1667    0.4333    0.7000    0.2333    0.5000    0.7667    0.3000    0.5667    0.8333
```

Rearrange the values back into their original, row-wise orientation.

```
newA = col2im(M,[1 1],[3 3])
```

```
newA = 3×3
```

```
    0.1667    0.2333    0.3000
    0.4333    0.5000    0.5667
    0.7000    0.7667    0.8333
```

Input Arguments

A — Image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D binary image | 2-D indexed image

Image, specified as a 2-D grayscale image, 2-D binary image, or 2-D indexed image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

[m n] — Block size

2-element vector

Block size, specified as a 2-element vector. `m` is the number of rows and `n` is the number of columns in the block.

Output Arguments

B — Image blocks

numeric matrix | logical matrix

Image blocks, returned as a numeric matrix or logical matrix with `m*n` rows. The number of columns depends on whether the image blocks are discrete blocks or sliding neighborhoods. Each column of `B` contains a block or neighborhood of `A` reshaped as a column vector.

- For distinct block processing, `B` has as many columns as there are `m`-by-`n` blocks in `A`. For example, if the size of `A` is `[mm nn]`, then `B` has $(mm/m) * (nn/n)$ columns.
- For sliding neighborhood processing, `B` has as many columns as there are `m`-by-`n` neighborhoods of `A`. For example, if the size of `A` is `[mm nn]`, then `B` has $((mm - m + 1) * (nn - n + 1))$ columns.

Tips

- For distinct block processing, `im2col` zero-pads `A`, if necessary, so its size is an integer multiple of `m`-by-`n`. The padding value is `0` when `A` is data type `uint8`, `uint16`, or `logical`. For other data types, the value of padding depends on whether `A` is interpreted as an indexed image.

- The padding value is 1 when A is interpreted as an indexed image.
- The padding value is 0 when A is not interpreted as an indexed image.
- `im2col` orders the columns of B so that they can be reshaped to form a matrix according to `reshape`.

For example, suppose you use a function, such as `sum(B)`, that returns a scalar for each column of B. You can directly store the result in a matrix of size $(mm-m+1)$ -by- $(nn-n+1)$, using these calls.

```
B = im2col(A,[m n], 'sliding');  
C = reshape(sum(B),mm-m+1,nn-n+1);
```

See Also

`blockproc` | `col2im` | `colfilt` | `nlfilter` | `reshape`

Introduced before R2006a

im2int16

Convert image to 16-bit signed integers

Syntax

```
J = im2int16(I)
```

Description

`J = im2int16(I)` converts the grayscale, RGB, or binary image `I` to `int16`, rescaling the data if necessary.

If the input image is of class `int16`, then the output image is identical to it. If the input image is of class `logical`, then `im2int16` changes false-valued elements to -32768 and true-valued elements to 32767.

You optionally can perform the conversion using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

Examples

Convert Array from double to int16

Create an array of class `double`.

```
I = reshape(linspace(0,1,20),[5 4])
```

```
I = 5×4
```

```
      0      0.2632      0.5263      0.7895
0.0526  0.3158  0.5789  0.8421
0.1053  0.3684  0.6316  0.8947
0.1579  0.4211  0.6842  0.9474
0.2105  0.4737  0.7368  1.0000
```

Convert the array to class `int16`.

```
I2 = im2int16(I)
```

```
I2 = 5x4 int16 matrix
```

```
-32768   -15522    1724    18970  
-29319   -12073    5173    22419  
-25870    -8624    8623    25869  
-22420    -5174   12072    29318  
-18971    -1725   15521    32767
```

Convert Array from double to int16 on a GPU

Create array of class `double`.

```
I1 = gpuArray(reshape(linspace(0,1,20),[5 4]))
```

Convert array to `int16`.

```
I2 = im2int16(I1)
```

Input Arguments

I — Image

numeric array | logical array | `gpuArray`

Intensity, RGB, or binary image, specified as a numeric array of any size and dimensionality.

To perform the conversion using a GPU, specify I as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric array of any size and dimensionality.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Image with class `int16`

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Image with class `int16`, returned as a numeric array with the same size and dimensionality as `I`.

If the conversion is performed using a GPU, then `J` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Data Types: `int16`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `im2int16` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `im2int16` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`gpuArray` | `im2double` | `im2single` | `im2uint16` | `im2uint8` | `int16`

Introduced before R2006a

im2java2d

Convert image to Java buffered image

Syntax

```
javaImage = im2java2d(I)  
javaImage = im2java2d(X,map)
```

Description

`javaImage = im2java2d(I)` converts the input image to an instance of the Java image class `java.awt.image.BufferedImage`.

`javaImage = im2java2d(X,map)` converts an indexed image with colormap `map` to an instance of the Java image class `java.awt.image.BufferedImage`.

Examples

Convert a Grayscale Image to Java Buffered Image

Read an input image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Convert the input image to a Java buffered image.

```
javaImage = im2java2d(I);
```

Create an icon from the java buffered image.

```
icon = javax.swing.ImageIcon(javaImage);
```

Create a label to display the image icon.

```
label = javax.swing.JLabel(icon);
```

Read the size of the label and the set the location and size of the drawable area in figure window.

```
pSize = label.getPreferredSize;  
f = figure('visible','off');  
fPos = get(f,'Position');  
fPos(3:4) = [pSize.width, pSize.height];  
set(f,'Position',fPos);
```

Display the Java component `label` at the specified position in figure window.

```
hLabel = javacomponent(label,[0 0 fPos(3:4)],f);  
figure(f)
```



Convert an Indexed Image to Java Buffered Image

Read an indexed image into the workspace.

```
load mandrill
```

Display the indexed image `X` using its associated colormap, `map`.

```
figure  
imshow(X,map)
```



Convert the input indexed image to a Java buffered image.

```
javaImage = im2java2d(X,map);
```

Create an icon from the java buffered image.

```
icon = javax.swing.ImageIcon(javaImage);
```

Create a label to display the image icon.

```
label = javax.swing.JLabel(icon);
```

Read the size of the label and then set the location and size of the drawable area in figure window.

```
pSize = label.getPreferredSize;  
f = figure('visible','off');  
fPos = get(f,'Position');  
fPos(3:4) = [pSize.width, pSize.height];  
set(f,'Position',fPos);
```

Display the Java component `label` at the specified position in figure window.

```
hLabel = javacomponent(label,[0 0 fPos(3:4)],f);  
figure(f)
```




Input Arguments

I – Input image

m-by-*n* matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 matrix

Input image, specified as

- m -by- n matrix for grayscale and binary images.
- m -by- n -by-3 matrix for RGB color images.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

X — Input indexed image

m -by- n matrix

Input indexed image, specified as a m -by- n matrix.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

map — Colormap

c -by-3 numeric array

Colormap associated with input indexed image X , specified as a c -by-3 numeric array. c represents the number of colors in the colormap.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

javaImage — Output Java 2D image

`BufferedImage` class

Output Java 2D image, returned as a `BufferedImage` class of instance `java.awt.image.BufferedImage`. The output Java 2D image can be used with the Java 2D API and the Java Abstract Windowing Toolkit (AWT).

Introduced before R2006a

im2single

Convert image to single precision

Syntax

```
J = im2single(I)
J = im2single(I,'indexed')
```

Description

`J = im2single(I)` converts the grayscale, RGB, or binary image `I` to `single`, rescaling or offsetting the data as necessary.

If the input image is of class `single`, then the output image is identical. If the input image is of class `logical`, then `im2single` changes true-valued elements to 65535.

You optionally can perform the conversion using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = im2single(I,'indexed')` converts the indexed image `I` to `single`, offsetting the data if necessary.

Examples

Convert Array to Class Single

This example shows how to convert an array of class `uint8` into class `single`.

Create a numeric array of class `uint8`.

```
I = reshape(uint8(linspace(1,255,25)),[5 5])
```

```
I = 5x5 uint8 matrix
```

```
1   54   107   160   213
12  65   117   170   223
22  75   128   181   234
33  86   139   192   244
43  96   149   202   255
```

Convert the array to class `single` .

```
I2 = im2single(I)
```

```
I2 = 5x5 single matrix
```

```
0.0039    0.2118    0.4196    0.6275    0.8353
0.0471    0.2549    0.4588    0.6667    0.8745
0.0863    0.2941    0.5020    0.7098    0.9176
0.1294    0.3373    0.5451    0.7529    0.9569
0.1686    0.3765    0.5843    0.7922    1.0000
```

Convert Array to Class Single on GPU

Create an array of class `uint8` on the GPU by creating a `gpuArray` object.

```
I = gpuArray(reshape(uint8(linspace(1,255,25)), [5 5]))
```

```
I =
```

```
1   54   107   160   213
12  65   117   170   223
22  75   128   181   234
33  86   139   192   244
43  96   149   202   255
```

Convert the array from class `uint8` to class `single` on the GPU. You can pass `im2single` a `gpuArray` object.

```
I2 = im2single(I)
```

```
I2 =
```

```
0.0039    0.2118    0.4196    0.6275    0.8353
0.0471    0.2549    0.4588    0.6667    0.8745
```

0.0863	0.2941	0.5020	0.7098	0.9176
0.1294	0.3373	0.5451	0.7529	0.9569
0.1686	0.3765	0.5843	0.7922	1.0000

Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any size and dimension.

- If **I** is a grayscale or RGB image, then it can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `double`, `logical`, `single`, or `int16`.
- If **I** is an indexed image, then it can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `double` or `logical`.
- If **I** is a binary image, then it must be `logical`.

To perform the conversion using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array of any size and dimensionality.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Image with class `single`

numeric array | gpuArray

Image with class `single`, returned as a numeric array with the same size and dimensionality as **I**.

If the conversion is performed using a GPU, then **J** is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Data Types: `single`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `im2single` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`im2double` | `im2int16` | `im2uint16` | `im2uint8` | `single`

Introduced before R2006a

im2uint16

Convert image to 16-bit unsigned integers

Syntax

```
J = im2uint16(I)
J = im2uint16(I,'indexed')
```

Description

`J = im2uint16(I)` converts the grayscale, RGB, or binary image `I` to `uint16`, rescaling or offsetting the data as necessary.

If the input image is of class `uint16`, then the output image is identical. If the input image is of class `logical`, then `im2uint16` changes true-valued elements to 65535.

You optionally can perform the conversion using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = im2uint16(I,'indexed')` converts the indexed image `I` to `uint16`, offsetting the data if necessary.

Examples

Convert Array from double to uint16

Create an array of class `double`.

```
I = reshape(linspace(0,1,20),[5 4])
```

```
I = 5×4
```

```
     0     0.2632     0.5263     0.7895
0.0526     0.3158     0.5789     0.8421
```

```
0.1053    0.3684    0.6316    0.8947
0.1579    0.4211    0.6842    0.9474
0.2105    0.4737    0.7368    1.0000
```

Convert the array to class `uint16`.

```
I2 = im2uint16(I)
```

```
I2 = 5x4 uint16 matrix
```

```
     0    17246    34492    51738
   3449    20695    37941    55187
   6898    24144    41391    58637
  10348    27594    44840    62086
  13797    31043    48289    65535
```

Convert Array from double to uint16 on a GPU

Create array of class `double`.

```
I1 = gpuArray(reshape(linspace(0,1,20),[5 4]))
```

Convert array to `uint16`.

```
I2 = im2uint16(I1)
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array | logical array | `gpuArray`

Input image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any size and dimension.

- If I is a grayscale or RGB image, then it can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `double`, `logical`, `single`, or `int16`.
- If I is an indexed image, then it can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `double` or `logical`.

Note It is not always possible to convert an indexed image to `uint8`. If the indexed image is of class `double`, then the maximum value must be 65536 or less.

- If `I` is a binary image, then it must be `logical`.

To perform the conversion using a GPU, specify `I` as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array of any size and dimensionality.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Image with class `uint16`

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Image with class `uint16`, returned as a numeric array with the same size and dimensionality as `I`.

If the conversion is performed using a GPU, then `J` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Data Types: `uint16`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `im2uint16` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `im2uint16` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`double` | `im2double` | `im2uint8` | `imapprox` | `uint16` | `uint8`

Introduced before R2006a

im2uint8

Convert image to 8-bit unsigned integers

Syntax

```
J = im2uint8(I)
J = im2uint8(I,'indexed')
```

Description

`J = im2uint8(I)` converts the grayscale, RGB, or binary image `I` to `uint8`, rescaling or offsetting the data as necessary.

If the input image is of class `uint8`, then the output image is identical. If the input image is of class `logical`, then `im2uint8` changes true-valued elements to 255.

You optionally can perform the conversion using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = im2uint8(I, 'indexed')` converts the indexed image `I` to `uint8`, offsetting the data if necessary.

Examples

Convert uint16 Array to uint8 Array

Create an array of class `uint16`.

```
I = reshape(uint16(linspace(0,65535,25)),[5 5])
```

I = 5x5 uint16 matrix

```
      0   13653   27306   40959   54613
 2731  16384   30037   43690   57343
```

```
5461 19114 32768 46421 60074
8192 21845 35498 49151 62804
10923 24576 38229 51882 65535
```

Convert the array to class `uint8`.

```
I2 = im2uint8(I)
```

```
I2 = 5x5 uint8 matrix
```

```
0 53 106 159 213
11 64 117 170 223
21 74 128 181 234
32 85 138 191 244
43 96 149 202 255
```

Convert uint16 Array to uint8 on a GPU

Create array of class `uint16`.

```
I1 = gpuArray(reshape(uint16(linspace(0,65535,25)),[5 5]))
```

Convert array to `uint8`.

```
I2 = im2uint8(I1);
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array | logical array | `gpuArray`

Input image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any size and dimension.

- If `I` is a grayscale or RGB image, then it can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `double`, `logical`, `single`, or `int16`. The intensity values for input image of class `single` or `double` must be in the range `[0, 1]`.

Note If `I` is of class `single` or `double` with values outside the range `[0, 1]` then you can use `rescale` function to rescale values to the expected range.

- If `I` is an indexed image, then it can be `uint8`, `uint16`, `double` or `logical`.

Note It is not always possible to convert an indexed image to `uint8`. If the indexed image is of class `double`, then the maximum value must be 256 or less. If the indexed image is of class `uint16`, then the maximum value must be 255 or less.

- If `I` is a binary image, then it must be `logical`.

To perform the conversion using a GPU, specify `I` as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array of any size and dimensionality.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Image with class `uint8`

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Image with class `uint8`, returned as a numeric array with the same size and dimensionality as `I`.

If the conversion is performed using a GPU, then `J` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Data Types: `uint8`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `im2uint8` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `im2uint8`

generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`im2double` | `im2int16` | `im2single` | `im2uint16` | `uint8`

Introduced before R2006a

imabsdiff

Absolute difference of two images

Syntax

```
Z = imabsdiff(X,Y)
```

Description

`Z = imabsdiff(X,Y)` subtracts each element in array `Y` from the corresponding element in array `X` and returns the absolute difference in the corresponding element of the output array `Z`.

You optionally can compute the absolute difference of `X` and `Y` using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

Examples

Display Absolute Difference between Filtered image and Original

Read image into workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Filter the image.

```
J = uint8(filter2(fspecial('gaussian'), I));
```

Calculate the absolute difference of the two images.

```
K = imabsdiff(I,J);
```

Display the absolute difference image.

```
figure  
imshow(K, [])
```



Display Absolute Difference Between Images on GPU

Read image and convert it to a `gpuArray`.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));
```

Filter the image, performing the operation on a GPU.

```
J = imgaussfilt(I);
```

Calculate the absolute difference between the filtered image and original image.

```
K = imabsdiff(I,J);
```


Display the absolute difference image.

```
figure  
imshow(K, [])
```

Input Arguments

X — Input image

real, nonsparse numeric array | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a real, nonsparse numeric array of any dimension.

To compute the absolute difference using a GPU, specify X as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric array.

Example: `x = imread('cameraman.tif');`

Example: `X = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

Y — Input image

numeric array | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a numeric array. Y must be the same size and class as X.

To compute the absolute difference using a GPU, specify Y as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric array of the same size and class as the array in X.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

Output Arguments

Z — Difference image

numeric array | gpuArray

Difference image, returned as a numeric array. Z has the same class and size as X and Y. If X and Y are integer arrays, then `imabsdiff` truncates elements in the output that exceed the range of the integer type.

If the difference image is computed using a GPU, then Z is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array of the same size and class as in X and Y .

Tips

- If X is of class `double`, then use the expression `abs(X-Y)` instead of this function.
- If X is of class `logical`, then use the expression `XOR(X,Y)` instead of this function.
- When X and Y are of class `uint8`, `int16`, or `single`, then `imabsdiff` can use hardware optimization to run faster.
- `imabsdiff` runs on a GPU if at least one of X and Y are `gpuArrays`. It is not necessary that both inputs are `gpuArrays`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imabsdiff` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`imadd` | `imcomplement` | `imdivide` | `imlincomb` | `immultiply` | `imsubtract`

Introduced before R2006a

imadd

Add two images or add constant to image

Syntax

```
Z = imadd(X,Y)
```

Description

`Z = imadd(X,Y)` adds each element in array `X` with the corresponding element in array `Y` and returns the sum in the corresponding element of the output array `Z`.

If `X` is an integer array, elements in the output that exceed the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

Examples

Add Two uint8 Arrays

This example shows how to add two `uint8` arrays with truncation for values that exceed 255.

```
X = uint8([ 255 0 75; 44 225 100]);  
Y = uint8([ 50 50 50; 50 50 50 ]);  
Z = imadd(X,Y)
```

```
Z = 2x3 uint8 matrix
```

```
255    50    125  
 94    255    150
```

Add Two Images and Specify Output Class

Read two grayscale uint8 images into the workspace.

```
I = imread('rice.png');  
J = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Add the images. Specify the output as type uint16 to avoid truncating the result.

```
K = imadd(I,J,'uint16');
```

Display the result.

```
imshow(K,[])
```



Add a Constant to an Image

Read an image into the workspace.

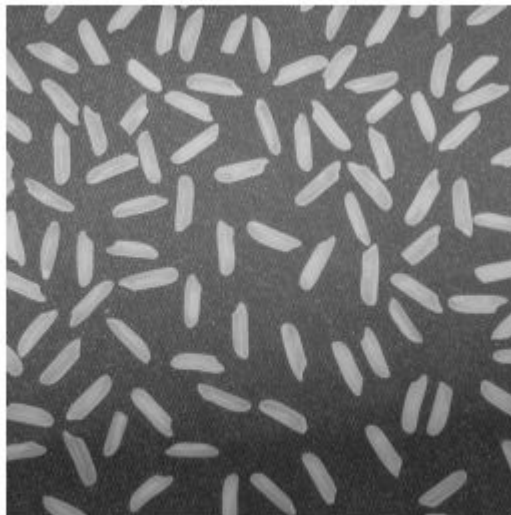
```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Add a constant to the image.

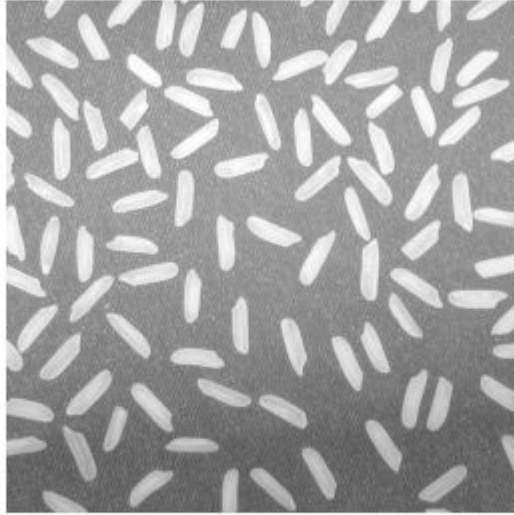
```
J = imadd(I,50);
```

Display the original image and the result.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Input Arguments

X — First array

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

First array, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array of any dimension.

Y — Second array

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

Second array to be added to *X*, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array. *Y* either has the same size and class as *X*, or *Y* is a scalar of type double.

Output Arguments

Z — Sum

numeric array

Sum, returned as a numeric array of the same size as *X*. *Z* is the same class as *X* unless *X* is logical, in which case *Z* is data type `double`. If *X* is an integer array, elements of the output that exceed the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

See Also

`imabsdiff` | `imcomplement` | `imdivide` | `imlincomb` | `immultiply` | `imsubtract`

Introduced before R2006a

imadjust

Adjust image intensity values or colormap

Syntax

```
J = imadjust(I)
J = imadjust(I,[low_in high_in])
J = imadjust(I,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out])
J = imadjust(I,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out],gamma)

J = imadjust(RGB,[low_in high_in],___)
newmap = imadjust(cmap,[low_in high_in],___)
```

Description

`J = imadjust(I)` maps the intensity values in grayscale image `I` to new values in `J`. By default, `imadjust` saturates the bottom 1% and the top 1% of all pixel values. This operation increases the contrast of the output image `J`.

You optionally can perform contrast adjustment using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

This syntax is equivalent to `imadjust(I,stretchlim(I))`.

`J = imadjust(I,[low_in high_in])` maps intensity values in `I` to new values in `J` such that values between `low_in` and `high_in` map to values between 0 and 1.

`J = imadjust(I,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out])` maps intensity values in `I` to new values in `J` such that values between `low_in` and `high_in` map to values between `low_out` and `high_out`.

`J = imadjust(I,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out],gamma)` maps intensity values in `I` to new values in `J`, where `gamma` specifies the shape of the curve describing the relationship between the values in `I` and `J`.

`J = imadjust(RGB,[low_in high_in], ___)` maps the values in truecolor image RGB to new values in J. You can apply the same mapping or unique mappings for each color channel.

`newmap = imadjust(cmap,[low_in high_in], ___)` maps the values in colormap cmap to new values in newmap. You can apply the same mapping or unique mappings for each color channel.

Examples

Adjust Contrast of Grayscale Image

Read a low-contrast grayscale image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
imshow(I)
```



Adjust the contrast of the image so that 1% of the data is saturated at low and high intensities, and display it.

```
J = imadjust(I);  
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Adjust Contrast of Grayscale Image on GPU

Read an image into a `gpuArray` and then pass the `gpuArray` to `imadjust`.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));  
figure  
imshow(I)
```

```
J = imadjust(I);  
figure  
imshow(J)
```

Adjust Contrast of Grayscale Image Specifying Contrast Limits

Read a low-contrast grayscale image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
imshow(I);
```



Adjust the contrast of the image, specifying contrast limits.

```
K = imadjust(I,[0.3 0.7],[1]);  
figure  
imshow(K)
```



Adjust Contrast of Grayscale Image Specifying Contrast Limits on GPU

Read an image into a `gpuArray` and then pass the `gpuArray` to `imadjust`.

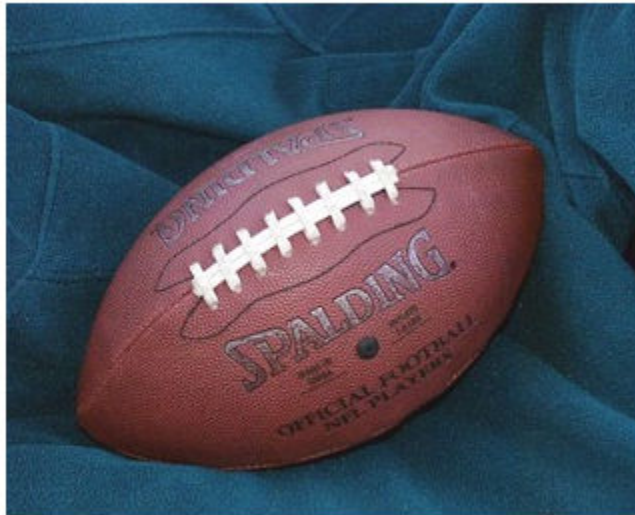
```
I = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));  
figure  
imshow(I)
```

```
K = imadjust(I,[0.3 0.7],[0 1]);  
figure  
imshow(K)
```

Adjust Contrast of Color Image

Read an RGB image into the workspace and display it.

```
RGB = imread('football.jpg');  
imshow(RGB)
```



Adjust the contrast of the RGB image, specifying contrast limits.

```
RGB2 = imadjust(RGB,[.2 .3 0; .6 .7 1],[,]);  
figure  
imshow(RGB2)
```



Adjust Contrast of RGB Image on GPU

Read an RGB image into a `gpuArray` and then pass the `gpuArray` to `imadjust`, specifying contrast limits for the input image. Each color channel has different contrast limits.

```
RGB = gpuArray(imread('football.jpg'));  
RGB2 = imadjust(RGB,[.2 .3 0; .6 .7 1],[,]);  
figure  
imshow(RGB)  
figure  
imshow(RGB2)
```


Standard Deviation Based Image Stretching

Read an image into the workspace, and display it.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
imshow(I)
```



Calculate the standard deviation and the image mean for stretching.

```
n = 2;  
Idouble = im2double(I);  
avg = mean2(Idouble);  
sigma = std2(Idouble);
```

Adjust the contrast based on the standard deviation.

```
J = imadjust(I,[avg-n*sigma avg+n*sigma],[]);
```

Display the adjusted image.

```
imshow(J)
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

m-by-*n* numeric matrix | gpuArray

Grayscale image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* numeric matrix.

To perform contrast adjustment using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains an *m*-by-*n* numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

RGB — Truecolor image

m-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array | `gpuArray`

Truecolor image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array.

To perform contrast adjustment using a GPU, specify `RGB` as a `gpuArray` that contains an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

cmap — Colormap

c-by-3 numeric matrix | `gpuArray`

Colormap, specified as a *c*-by-3 numeric matrix representing *c* colors.

To perform contrast adjustment using a GPU, specify `cmap` as a `gpuArray` that contains a *c*-by-3 numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

[low_in high_in] — Contrast limits for input image

`[0 1]` (default) | 2-element numeric vector | 2-by-3 numeric matrix

Contrast limits for input image, specified in one of the following forms:

Contrast Limits

Input Type	Value	Description
grayscale	1-by-2 vector of the form [low_in high_in]	Specifies the contrast limits in the input grayscale image that you want to map to values in the output image. Values must be in the range [0 1.0]. The value low_in must be less than the value high_in.
RGB or colormap	2-by-3 matrix of the form [low_RGB_triplet ; high_RGB_triplet]	Specifies the contrast limits in the input RGB image or colormap that you want to map to values in the output image or colormap. Each row in the array is an RGB color triplet. Values must be in the range [0 1]. The value low_RGB_triplet must be less than the value high_RGB_triplet.
RGB or colormap	1-by-2 vector of the form [low_in high_in]	Specifies the contrast limits in the input RGB image that you want to map to values in the output image. Each value must be in the range [0 1.0]. The value low_in must be less than the value high_in. If you specify a 1-by-2 vector with an RGB image or colormap, then imadjust applies the same adjustment to each color plane or channel.
all types	[]	If you specify an empty matrix ([]), then imadjust uses the default limits [0 1].

imadjust clips value below low_in and above high_in: Values below low_in map to low_out and values above high_in map to high_out.

Data Types: single | double

[low_out high_out] — Contrast limits for the output image

[0 1] (default) | 2-element numeric vector | 2-by-3 numeric matrix

Contrast limits for output image, specified in one of the following forms:

Contrast Limits

Input Type	Value	Description
grayscale	1-by-2 vector of the form <code>[low_out high_out]</code>	Specifies the contrast limits of the output grayscale image. Each value must be in the range <code>[0 1]</code> .
RGB or colormap	2-by-3 matrix of the form <code>[low_RGB_triplet ; high_RGB_triplet]</code>	Specifies the contrast limits of the output RGB image or colormap. Each row in the array is an RGB color triplet. Values must be in the range <code>[0 1]</code> .
RGB or colormap	1-by-2 vector of the form <code>[low_out high_out]</code>	Specifies the contrast limits in the output image. Each value must be in the range <code>[0 1]</code> . If you specify a 1-by-2 vector with an RGB image or colormap, then <code>imadjust</code> applies the same adjustment to each plane or channel.
all types	<code>[]</code>	If you specify an empty matrix (<code>[]</code>), then <code>imadjust</code> uses the default limits <code>[0 1]</code> .

If `high_out` is less than `low_out`, then `imadjust` reverses the output image, as in a photographic negative.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

gamma — Shape of the curve describing relationship of input and output values

1 (default) | nonnegative scalar | 1-by-3 numeric vector

Shape of curve describing relationship of input and output values, specified as a nonnegative scalar or a 1-by-3 numeric vector.

- If `gamma` is less than 1, then `imadjust` weights the mapping toward higher (brighter) output values.
- If `gamma` is greater than 1, then `imadjust` weights the mapping toward lower (darker) output values.
- If `gamma` is a 1-by-3 vector, then `imadjust` applies a unique gamma to each color component or channel.
- If you omit the argument, then `gamma` defaults to 1 (linear mapping).

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

J — Adjusted image

`grayscale image` | `RGB image` | `gpuArray`

Adjusted image, returned as a grayscale or RGB image. J has the same size and class as the input grayscale image I or truecolor image RGB.

If contrast adjustment is performed using a GPU, then J is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a grayscale or RGB image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

newmap — Adjusted colormap

`c-by-3 numeric matrix` | `gpuArray`

Adjusted colormap, returned as an *c*-by-3 numeric matrix of the same class as the input colormap, `map`.

If contrast adjustment is performed using a GPU, then `newmap` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a *c*-by-3 numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imadjust` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imadjust` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for

which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

- When generating code, `imadjust` does not support indexed images.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`brighten` | `histeq` | `stretchlim`

Introduced before R2006a

imadjustn

Adjust intensity values in N -D volumetric image

Syntax

```
J = imadjustn(V)
J = imadjustn(V,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out])
J = imadjustn(V,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out],gamma)
```

Description

`J = imadjustn(V)` maps the values in the N -D volumetric intensity image `V` to new values in `J`. `imadjustn` increases the contrast of the output volumetric image `J`.

By default, `imadjustn` saturates the bottom 1% and the top 1% of all pixel values. This syntax is equivalent to `imadjustn(V,stretchlim(V(:)))`.

`J = imadjustn(V,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out])` maps the values in `V` to new values in `J` such that values between `low_in` and `high_in` map to values between `low_out` and `high_out`. `imadjustn` clips values below `low_in` and above `high_in`. Values below `low_in` map to `low_out` and values above `high_in` map to `high_out`. If you omit the `[low_out high_out]` argument, in which case, `imadjustn` uses the default `[0 1]`.

`J = imadjustn(V,[low_in high_in],[low_out high_out],gamma)` maps the values of `V` to new values in `J`, where `gamma` specifies the shape of the curve describing the relationship between the values in `V` and `J`. If `gamma` is less than 1, `imadjustn` weights the mapping toward higher (brighter) output values. If `gamma` is greater than 1, `imadjustn` weights the mapping toward lower (darker) output values.

If `high_out` is less than `low_out`, `imadjustn` reverses the output image volume, as in a photographic negative.

Examples

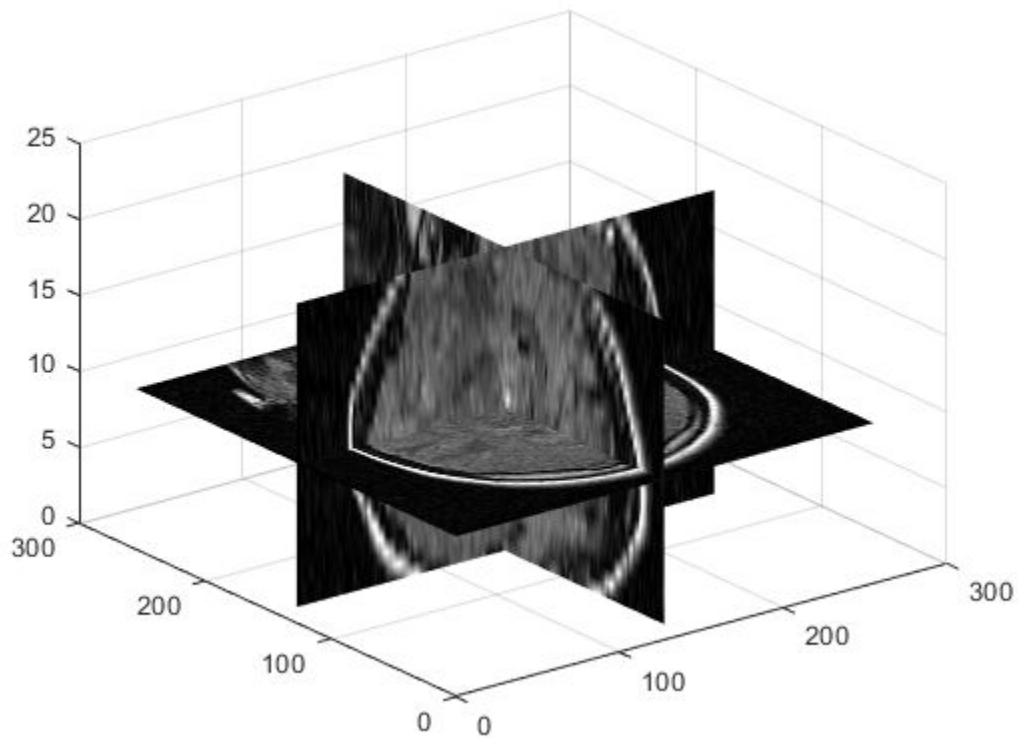
Scale Intensity of 3-D Volume of MRI Data

Load a 3-D image into the workspace, then save the image as data type double.

```
load mrystack;  
V1 = im2double(mrystack);
```

Display cross-sections of the image.

```
figure  
slice(V1,size(V1,2)/2,size(V1,1)/2,size(V1,3)/2)  
colormap gray  
shading interp
```

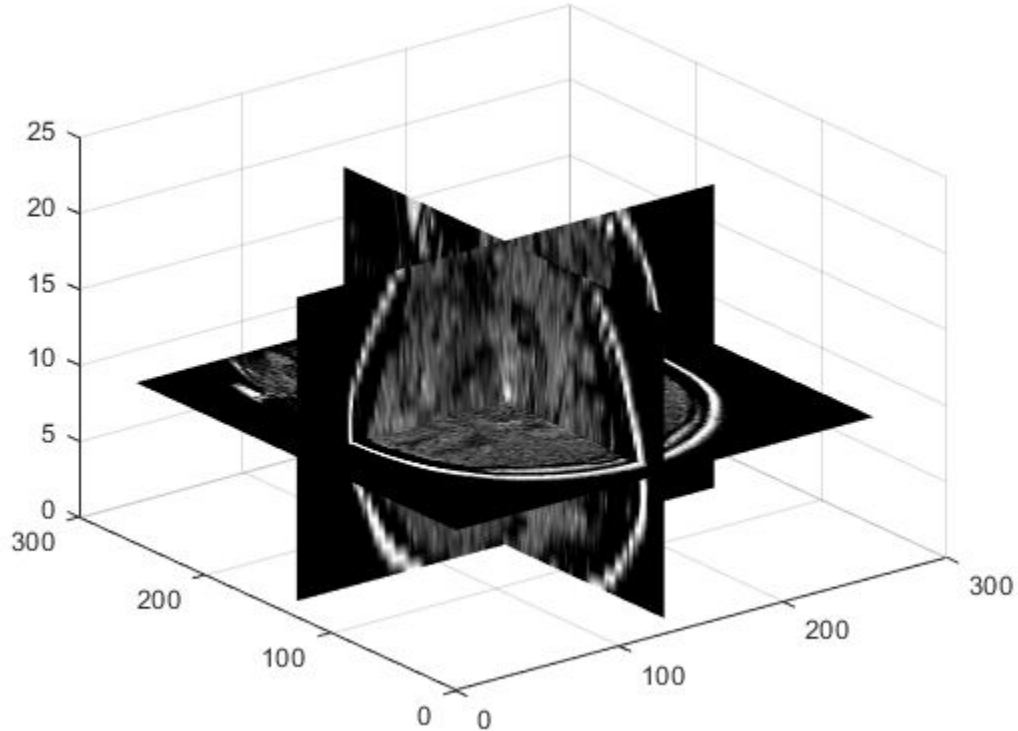


Adjust the image intensity values. `imadjustn` maps input values between 0.2 and 0.8 to the default output range of [0, 1]. `imadjustn` clips input values below 0.2 and above 0.8.

```
V2 = imadjustn(V1,[0.2 0.8],[1]);
```

Display cross-sections of the contrast-adjusted image.

```
figure  
slice(V2,size(V2,2)/2,size(V2,1)/2,size(V2,3)/2)  
colormap gray  
shading interp
```



Input Arguments

V — Volumetric intensity image

real, nonsparse, *N*-D, numeric array

Volumetric intensity image, specified as a real, nonsparse, *N*-D, numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

[low_in high_in] — Range of values in input image

[0 1] (default) | 2-element vector

Range of values in the input image, specified as a 2-element vector of the form [low_in high_in], with values in the range [0, 1]. Before adjusting intensity values, `imadjustn` converts the input image to class `double` (using `im2double`), rescaling values to the range [0,1]. `low_in` and `high_in` correspond to the specified input range after conversion to `double`.

You can use an empty matrix ([]) for [low_in high_in] to specify the default of [0 1].

Data Types: `double`

[low_out high_out] — Range of values in output image

[0 1] (default) | 2-element vector

Range of values in output image, specified as a 2-element vector of the form [low_out high_out], with values in the range [0, 1]. Before adjusting intensity values, `imadjustn` converts the input image to class `double` (using `im2double`), rescaling values to the range [0,1]. `low_out` and `high_out` correspond to the specified output range after conversion to `double`. After adjusting intensity values, `imadjustn` converts the image to the data type of the input image.

You can omit the argument or use an empty matrix ([]) for [low_out high_out] to specify the default of [0 1].

Data Types: `double`

gamma — Shape of curve describing relationship between values in V and J

1 (default) | numeric scalar

Shape of curve describing relationship between values in *V* and *J*, specified as a numeric scalar. If the value is less than 1, `imadjustn` weights the mapping toward higher

(brighter) output values. If the value is greater than 1, `imadjustn` weights the mapping toward lower (darker) output values. If you omit the argument, `gamma` defaults to 1 (linear mapping).

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

J — Volume with adjusted intensity values

N-D volumetric intensity image

Volume with adjusted intensity values, returned as an *N*-D volumetric intensity image. The output volume has the same class as the input image.

See Also

`decorrstretch` | `histeq` | `imhistmatchn` | `stretchlim`

Introduced in R2017b

ImageAdapter class

Interface for image I/O

Description

ImageAdapter is an abstract class that defines custom region-based reading and writing of images in arbitrary image file formats. You can use classes that inherit from the ImageAdapter interface with the `blockproc` function to perform file-based block processing.

To write an Image Adapter class for a particular file format, you must be able to:

- Query the size of the file on disk
- Read a rectangular block of data from the file

To use this class, you must inherit from the ImageAdapter class. Type the following syntax as the first line of your class definition file:

```
classdef MyAdapter < ImageAdapter
    ...
end
```

Classes that inherit from ImageAdapter must implement the `readRegion` and `close` methods to support basic region-based reading of images. The optional `writeRegion` method allows for incremental, region-based writing of images. Image Adapter classes that do not implement the `writeRegion` method are read-only.

The ImageAdapter class is a `handle` class.

Class Attributes

Abstract

 true

HandleCompatible

 true

For information on class attributes, see “Class Attributes” (MATLAB).

Properties

ImageSize — Image size

[] (default) | 2-element vector of positive integers | 3-element vector of positive integers

Image size, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers $[m \ n]$, or a 3-element vector of positive integers $[m \ n \ p]$, where m is the number of rows, n is the number of columns, and p is the number of channels of the image.

When you construct a new class that inherits from `ImageAdapter`, set the `ImageSize` property in your class constructor.

Example: `[1920 1080]`

Attributes:

`GetAccess`

public

`SetAccess`

protected

Colormap — Colormap

[] (default) | c-by-3 numeric matrix

Colormap for indexed images, specified as a c-by-3 numeric matrix with values in the range $[0, 1]$. Each row of the matrix is a 3-element RGB triplet that specifies the red, green, and blue components of a single color.

When you construct a new class that inherits from `ImageAdapter`, set the `Colormap` property in your class constructor.

Attributes:

`GetAccess`

public

`SetAccess`

protected

Methods

Public Methods

`<infotYPEgroup type="method"> close readRegion writeRegion </infotYPEgroup>`

See Also

blockproc

Topics

“Compute Statistics for Large Images”

“Abstract Classes” (MATLAB)

“Perform Block Processing on Image Files in Unsupported Formats”

Introduced in R2010a

close

Class: ImageAdapter

Close ImageAdapter object

Syntax

```
close(adapter)
```

Description

`close(adapter)` closes the `ImageAdapter` object and performs any necessary clean-up, such as closing file handles.

Input Arguments

adapter — Image adapter

`ImageAdapter`

Image adapter, specified as an instance of an `ImageAdapter`.

Attributes

Abstract true

To learn about attributes of methods, see [Method Attributes \(MATLAB\)](#).

Tips

- When you construct a class that inherits from the `ImageAdapter` class, you must implement this method.

- `blockproc` does not call the `close` method. If your image adapter opens file handles or requires other class clean-up responsibilities, then you must call the `close` method explicitly in your image processing pipeline.

See Also

`ImageAdapter`

Introduced in R2010a

readRegion

Class: ImageAdapter

Read region of image

Syntax

```
data = readRegion(adapter, region_start, region_size)
```

Description

`data = readRegion(adapter, region_start, region_size)` reads an image region of size `region_size` with top-left pixel at coordinate `region_start`.

Input Arguments

adapter — Image adapter

ImageAdapter

Image adapter, specified as an instance of an ImageAdapter.

region_start — Top-left coordinates of region

2-element vector of positive integers

Top-left coordinates of the region to read, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers of the form `[row column]`.

region_size — Size of region

2-element vector of positive integers

Size of the region to read, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers of the form `[numrows numcolumns]`.

Output Arguments

data — Image data

numeric array

Image data, returned as a numeric array of size `region_size`.

Attributes

Abstract true

To learn about attributes of methods, see [Method Attributes \(MATLAB\)](#).

Tips

- When you construct a class that inherits from the `ImageAdapter` class, you must implement this method.

See Also

`ImageAdapter`

Topics

“[Compute Statistics for Large Images](#)”

“[Perform Block Processing on Image Files in Unsupported Formats](#)”

Introduced in R2010a

writeRegion

Class: ImageAdapter

Write block of data to region of image

Syntax

```
writeRegion(adapter, region_start, region_data)
```

Description

`writeRegion(adapter, region_start, region_data)` writes a contiguous block of data `region_data` to the region of the image with top-left pixel at coordinate `region_start`.

Input Arguments

adapter — Image adapter

ImageAdapter

Image adapter, specified as an instance of an ImageAdapter.

region_start — Top-left coordinates of region

2-element vector of positive integers

Top-left coordinates of the region to write, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers of the form [row column].

region_data — Image data

numeric array

Image data, specified as a numeric array.

Tips

- When you construct a class that inherits from the `ImageAdapter` class, you can optionally implement this method to enable incremental, region-based writing of images. Image adapter classes that do not implement the `writeRegion` method are read-only.

See Also

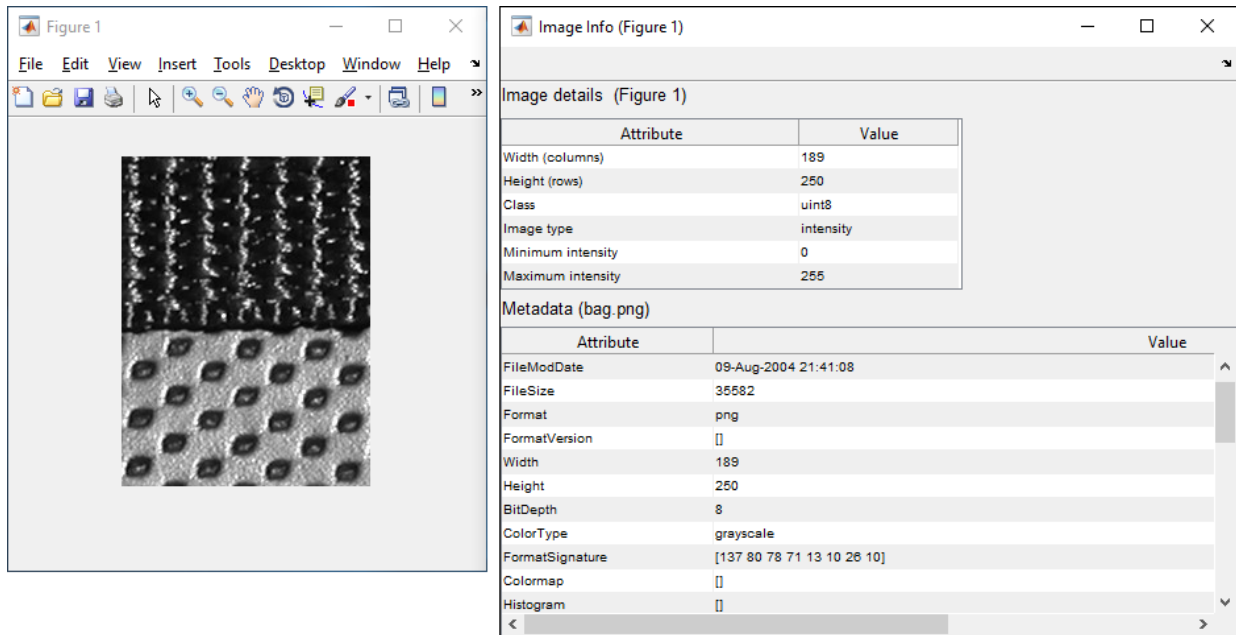
`ImageAdapter`

Introduced in R2010a

imageinfo

Image Information tool

Use the `imageinfo` function to create an Image Information tool. The tool displays information about the basic attributes and metadata of the target image in a separate figure.



Syntax

```
imageinfo
imageinfo(h)
imageinfo(filename)
imageinfo(info)
imageinfo(himage, filename)
imageinfo(himage, info)
htool = imageinfo( ___ )
```

Description

`imageinfo` creates an Image Information tool associated with the image in the current figure. The tool displays information about the basic attributes of the target image in a separate figure.

`imageinfo(h)` creates an Image Information tool associated with `h`, where `h` is a handle to a figure, axes, or image object.

`imageinfo(filename)` creates an Image Information tool containing image metadata from the graphics file `filename`. The image does not have to be displayed in a figure window.

`imageinfo(info)` creates an Image Information tool containing the image metadata in the structure `info`.

`imageinfo(himage, filename)` creates an Image Information tool containing information about the basic attributes of the image specified by the handle `himage` and the image metadata from the graphics file `filename`.

`imageinfo(himage, info)` creates an Image Information tool containing information about the basic attributes of the image specified by the handle `himage` and the image metadata in the structure `info`.

`htool = imageinfo(___)` returns a handle to the Image Information tool figure.

Examples

Open Image Information Tool

```
imageinfo('peppers.png')  
  
h = imshow('bag.png');  
info = imfinfo('bag.png');  
imageinfo(h,info);
```

```
imshow('canoe.tif');  
imageinfo;
```

Input Arguments

h — Handle to graphics object

handle

Handle to a figure, axes, uipanel, or image graphics object, specified as a handle. If `h` is an axes or figure handle, `imageinfo` uses the first image returned by `findobj(h, 'Type', 'image')`.

filename — File name

character vector | string scalar

File name, specified as a character vector. `filename` can be any file type that has been registered with an information function in the file formats registry, `imformats`, so its information can be read by `iminfo`. `filename` can also be a DICOM, NITE, Interfile, or Analyze file.

info — Image metadata

structure

Image metadata, specified as a structure returned by the functions `iminfo`, `dicominfo`, `nitfinfo`, `interfileinfo`, or `analyze75info`. `info` can also be a user-created structure.

himage — Handle to image object

handle

Handle to an image graphics object, specified as a handle.

Output Arguments

htool — Handle to Image Information tool figure

handle

Handle to Image Information tool figure, returned as a handle.

Tips

- The table lists the basic image attribute information included in the Image Information tool display. Note that the tool contains either four or six fields, depending on the type of image.

Attribute Name	Value
Width (columns)	Number of columns in the image
Height (rows)	Number of rows in the image
Class	Data type used by the image, such as 'uint8'. Note For single or int16 images, imageinfo returns a 'Class' value of 'double', because the image object converts the CData of these images to double.
Image type	One of the image types identified by the Image Processing Toolbox software: 'intensity' 'truecolor', 'binary', or 'indexed'.
Minimum intensity or index	For grayscale images, this value represents the lowest intensity value of any pixel. For indexed images, this value represents the lowest index value into a color map. This field is not included for 'binary' or 'truecolor' images.
Maximum intensity or index	For grayscale images, this value represents the highest intensity value of any pixel. For indexed images, this value represents the highest index value into a color map. This field is not included for 'binary' or 'truecolor' images.

- imageinfo gets information about image attributes by querying the image object's CData. The image object converts the CData for single or int16 images to class double. In these cases, imageinfo(H) displays a 'Class' attribute of 'double', even though the image is of class single or int16. For example,

```
h = imshow(ones(10, 'int16'));  
class(get(h, 'CData'))
```

See Also

[analyze75info](#) | [dicominfo](#) | [imattributes](#) | [imfinfo](#) | [imformats](#) | [imtool](#) | [interfileinfo](#) | [nitfinfo](#)

Introduced before R2006a

imagemodel

Image Model object

Syntax

```
imgmodel = imagemodel(himage)
```

Description

`imgmodel = imagemodel(himage)` creates an image model object associated with a target image. The target image `himage` is a handle to an image object or an array of handles to image objects. `imagemodel` returns an image model object or, if `himage` is an array of image objects, an array of image model objects. `imagemodel` works by querying the image object's CData.

API Functions

An image model object stores information about an image such as class, type, display range, width, height, minimum intensity value, and maximum intensity value.

The image model object supports methods that you can use to access this information, get information about the pixels in an image, and perform special text formatting. Brief descriptions of these methods follow.

Methods

`imagemodel` supports the following methods. Type `methods imagemodel` to see a list of methods, or type `help imagemodel/methodname` for more information about a specific method.

getClassType — Return class of image

`imageclass = getClassType(imgmodel)` returns the class associated with the `imagemodel`, `imgmodel`. The return value, `imageclass` is a character vector, such as

'uint8', specifying the class of the image object's CData. `imgmodel` is expected to contain only one `imagemodel` object.

getDisplayRange — Return display range of intensity image

`disp_range = getDisplayRange(imgmodel)`, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model and `disp_range` is an array of doubles such as `[0 255]`, returns a double array containing the minimum and maximum values of the display range for an intensity image. For image types other than intensity, the value returned is an empty array.

getImageHeight — Return number of rows

`height = getImageHeight(imgmodel)`, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model and `height` is a double scalar, returns a double scalar containing the number of rows.

getImageType — Return image type

`str = getImageType(imgmodel)` returns the type of image associated with the `imagemodel, imgmodel`. The return value, `str`, is one of the following: 'intensity', 'truecolor', 'binary', or 'indexed'.

getImageWidth — Return number of columns

`width = getImageWidth(imgmodel)`, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model and `width` is a double scalar, returns a double scalar containing the number of columns.

getMinIntensity — Return minimum value in image

`minval = getMinIntensity(imgmodel)`, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model and `minval` is a numeric value, returns the minimum value in the image calculated as `min(Image(:))`. For an intensity image, the value returned is the minimum intensity. For an indexed image, the value returned is the minimum index. For any other image type, the value returned is an empty array. The class of `minval` depends on the class of the target image.

getMaxIntensity — Return maximum value in image

`maxval = getMaxIntensity(imgmodel)`, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model and `maxval` is a numeric value, returns the maximum value in the image calculated as `max(Image(:))`. For an intensity image, the value returned is the maximum intensity. For an indexed image, the value returned is the maximum index. For any other image type, the value returned is an empty array. The class of `maxval` depends on the class of the target image.

getNumberFormatFcn — Return handle to function that converts numeric value into character vector

`fun = getNumberFormatFcn(imgmodel)` returns the handle to a function that converts a numeric value into a character vector, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model. For example, `str = fun(getPixelValue(imgmodel, 100, 100))` converts the numeric return value of the `getPixelValue` method into a character vector.

getPixelInfoString — Return value of specific pixel as character vector

`str = getPixelInfoString(imgmodel, row, column)` returns a character vector containing the value of the pixel at the location specified by `row` and `column`, where `str` is a character array, `imgmodel` is a valid image model and `row` and `column` are numeric scalar values. For example, for an RGB image, the method returns a character vector such as `'[66 35 60]'`.

getPixelRegionFormatFcn — Return handle to function that formats value of pixel into character vector

`fun = getPixelRegionFormatFcn(imgmodel)` returns the value of the pixel as a specially formatted character vector, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model and `fun` is a handle to a function that accepts the location (`row`, `column`) of a pixel in the target image. For example, when used with an RGB image, this function returns a character vector of the form `'R:000 G:000 B:000'` where `000` is the actual pixel value.

```
str = fun(100,100)
```

getPixelValue — Return value of specific pixel as numeric array

`val = getPixelValue(imgmodel, row, column)`, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model and `row` and `column` are numeric scalar values, returns the value of the pixel at the location specified by `row` and `column` as a numeric array. The class of `val` depends on the class of the target image.

getDefaultPixelInfoString — Return pixel information type as character vector

`str = getDefaultPixelInfoString(imgmodel)` returns a character vector indicating the pixel information type, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model. This character vector can be used in place of actual pixel information values. Depending on the image type, `str` can be the value `'Intensity'`, `'[R G B]'`, `'BW'`, or `'<Index> [R G B]'`.

getDefaultPixelRegionString — Return type of information displayed in Pixel Region tool

`str = getDefaultPixelRegionString(imgmodel)` returns a character vector indicating the type of information displayed in the Pixel Region tool for each image type, where `imgmodel` is a valid image model. This character vector can be used in place of actual pixel values. Depending on the image type, `str` can be `'000'`, `'R:000 G:000 B:000']`, `'0'`, or `'<000> R:0.00 G:0.00 B:0.00'`.

getScreenPixelRGBValue — Return screen display value of specific pixel

`val = getScreenPixelRGBValue(imgmodel, row, col)` returns the screen display value of the pixel at the location specified by `row` and `col` as a double array. `imgmodel` is a valid image model, `row` and `col` are numeric scalar values, and `val` is an array of doubles, such as `[0.2 0.5 0.3]`.

Examples

Create an Image Model from Image Objects

Create an image model associated with a single image object.

```
h = imshow('peppers.png');
```



```
im = imagemodel(h)
```

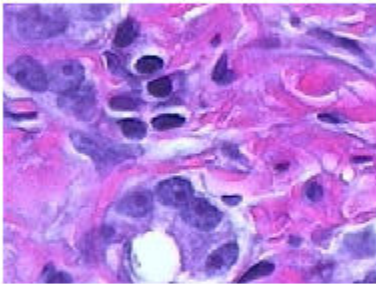
```
im =
```

```
IMAGEMODEL object accessing an image with these properties:
```

```
    ClassType: 'uint8'  
    DisplayRange: []  
    ImageHeight: 384  
    ImageType: 'truecolor'  
    ImageWidth: 512  
    MinIntensity: []  
    MaxIntensity: []
```

Create an image model for an array of image object handles.

```
figure
subplot(1,2,1)
h1 = imshow('hestain.png');
subplot(1,2,2)
h2 = imshow('coins.png');
```



```
im = imagemodel([h1 h2])
```

```
im =
```


1x2 array of IMAGEMODEL objects.

See Also

getimagemodel

Introduced before R2006a

images.dicom.decodeUID

Get information about DICOM unique identifier

Syntax

```
details = images.dicom.decodeUID(UID)
```

Description

`details = images.dicom.decodeUID(UID)` returns information about the DICOM unique identifier contained in `UID`. `details` contains the name of the UID and its type (SOP class, transfer syntax, etc.). If `UID` corresponds to a transfer syntax, `details` also contains the endianness, the DICOM value representation necessary for reading the image pixels, and information about compression.

The `images.dicom.decodeUID` function can interpret IDs defined in the PS 3.6-1999 specification, with some additions from PS 3.6-2009.

Examples

Decode DICOM UID

Read metadata from a DICOM file and extract a UID field.

```
info = dicominfo('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm');  
uid = info.SOPClassUID;
```

Decode the UID.

```
uid_info = images.dicom.decodeUID(uid)  
  
uid_info = struct with fields:  
  Value: '1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.7'  
  Name: 'Secondary Capture Image Storage'
```

Type: 'SOP Class'

Input Arguments

UID — DICOM unique identifier

character vector | string | cell array

DICOM unique identifier, specified as a string or character vector.

Example: uid_info =
images.dicom.decodeUID('1.2.840.10008.5.1.4.1.1.7')

Data Types: char | string | cell

Output Arguments

details — Information from UID

struct

Information from UID, returned as a struct.

See Also

dicominfo | dicomuid

Introduced in R2017b

images.dicom.parseDICOMDIR

Extract metadata from DICOMDIR file

Syntax

```
DICOMDIR = images.dicom.parseDICOMDIR(filename)
```

Description

`DICOMDIR = images.dicom.parseDICOMDIR(filename)` extracts the metadata from the DICOMDIR file named in `filename`, returning the information in the structure `DICOMDIR`. If `filename` is not a DICOMDIR file, the function returns an error.

A DICOM directory file (DICOMDIR) is a special DICOM file that serves as a directory to a collection of DICOM files stored on removable media, such as CD/DVD ROMs. When devices write DICOM files to removable media, they typically write a DICOMDIR file on the disk to serve as a list of the disk contents.

Examples

Extract Metadata from DICOMDIR File

Read information about the contents of a DICOM folder into the workspace.

```
detailsStruct = images.dicom.parseDICOMDIR('DICOMDIR');
```

Input Arguments

filename — DICOMDIR file
string scalar | character vector

DICOMDIR file, specified as a string scalar or character vector. `filename` can contain a full path name or a relative path name to the file. The name of this file is DICOMDIR, with no file extension.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

DICOMDIR — Metadata from DICOMDIR file

`struct`

Metadata from DICOMDIR file, returned as a struct.

See Also

`dicominfo`

Introduced in R2017b

images.roi.AssistedFreehand class

Package: images.roi

Assisted freehand region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` class creates an `AssistedFreehand` region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse. With assisted freehand, the line you are drawing follows the edges in the underlying image automatically.

To create an ROI interactively, position the pointer on the image, click and release to place the first vertex (waypoint), and then move the pointer to draw a line. The line snaps to nearby edges in the image automatically as you draw. Click to place vertices along the line as you draw. To finish the ROI and close the shape, double-click. To delete an ROI, position the pointer on the ROI (not on a vertex), right-click, and select **Delete Freehand** from the context menu. For more information about keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1128.

The `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` class is a `handle` class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.AssistedFreehand` creates an instance of the `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.AssistedFreehand(ax)` creates the ROI on the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.AssistedFreehand(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance or behavior of the ROI by specifying values for one or more ROI properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying an axes.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

gca (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

Closed — Close freehand ROI

true (default) | false

Close the freehand ROI, specified as a logical value `true` or `false`. If `true` (default), `images.roi.Freehand` closes the ROI by connecting the last point drawn to the first point drawn.

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec`

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification).

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[<i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , <i>w</i> , <i>h</i>]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (<i>x</i> , <i>y</i>), and extending to width <i>w</i> and height <i>h</i> .

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of the ROI face, specified as a numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as true or false. When true (default), the ROI face captures mouse clicks. When false, the ROI face does not capture mouse clicks.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.

Value	Description
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

Image — Image on which to draw ROI

handle to Image object

Image on which to draw ROI, specified as a handle to an Image object.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'reshape' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label (' ').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

n -by-2 numeric array

Position of the ROI, specified as an n -by-2 numeric array of the form $[x_1 \ y_1; \dots; x_n \ y_n]$, where n is the total number of vertices. Each row specifies the position of a point on the ROI edge.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | ColorSpec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). The intensities must be in the range $[0, 1]$. If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: $[0 \ 1 \ 0]$

Smoothing — Smooth edge of freehand ROI

1 (default) | nonnegative numeric scalar

Smooth the edge of the freehand ROI using the standard deviation of the Gaussian smoothing kernel, specified as a nonnegative numeric scalar. The 'Smoothing' value filters the x and y coordinates of the freehand ROI. The filter size is $2 * \text{ceil}(2 * \text{Smoothing}) + 1$.

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify `StripeColor`, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as a `ContextMenu` object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Waypoints — Control points to reshape freehand ROI

[] (default) | n -by-1 logical vector

Control points to reshape the freehand ROI, specified as an n -by-1 logical vector, the same length as `Position`. Each element of the `Waypoints` vector indicates if the corresponding point in the `Position` array is a waypoint. Positions that are waypoints are set to `true` in `Waypoints`. Dragging a waypoint modifies the ROI between the specified waypoint and its immediate neighboring waypoints. When you draw the freehand ROI, `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` automatically generates `Waypoints` at locations of increased curvature.

Methods

Public Methods

`<infotypegroup type="method">` `beginDrawingFromPoint` `bringToFront`
`createMask` `draw inROI` `</infotypegroup>`

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	<code>event.EventData</code>	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	<code>event.EventData</code>	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	<code>event.EventData</code>	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
AddingWaypoint	A waypoint is about to be interactively added to the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
WaypointAdded	A waypoint has been interactively added to the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
RemovingWaypoint	A waypoint is about to be interactively removed from the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
WaypointRemoved	A waypoint has been interactively removed from the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Freehand ROI Using Assisted Freehand

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
figure;  
imshow(imread('baby.jpg'));
```

Create an instance of an `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` class. By default, the class creates the ROI on the current axes. Note that the axes must contain an image.

```
h = images.roi.AssistedFreehand;
```

Call the `draw` method, specifying the `AssistedFreehand` object as an argument. The pointer changes to a cross-hair shape when you move it over the image. You can begin drawing the ROI. Note how, as you move the pointer, the line you draw follows the edges in the underlying image.

```
draw(h);
```

Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Finish drawing (close) the ROI.	<p>Double-click, which adds a vertex at the pointer position and draws a line to the first vertex to close the ROI.</p> <p>Right-click, which draws a line from the last vertex to the first vertex.</p> <p>Position the pointer over the first vertex and click.</p> <p>Press Enter, which draws a line from the last vertex to the first vertex.</p>
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. No assistance (snapping to edges) is available in this mode.
Add a vertex (waypoint).	<p>Position the pointer on an edge of the ROI and double-click.</p> <p>Position the pointer on an edge of the ROI, right-click, and select Add Waypoint.</p>
Remove a vertex (waypoint).	Position the pointer on a vertex, right-click, and select Remove Waypoint .
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag to move the ROI.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

drawassisted | images.roi.Circle | images.roi.Cuboid | images.roi.Ellipse | images.roi.Freehand | images.roi.Line | images.roi.Point | images.roi.Polygon | images.roi.Polyline | images.roi.Rectangle

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images.roi.Circle class

Package: images.roi

Circular region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Circle` class creates a circular region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse.

To draw the ROI interactively, move the pointer over the axes, click and drag the pointer to draw the circle. To finish drawing, release the pointer. To delete the ROI, position the pointer over the circle, right-click, and select **Delete Circle** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1141.

The `images.roi.Circle` class is a handle class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Circle` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Circle` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Circle(ax)` creates the ROI on the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Circle(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance or behavior of the ROI by specifying values for one or more ROI properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying an axes.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

`gca` (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

Center — Center of ROI

`[]` (default) | 1-by-2 numeric array

Center of the ROI, specified as a 1-by-2 numeric array of the form `[x y]`. The values `x` and `y` are the coordinates of the center point of the ROI. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

Color — ROI color

`blue` (default) | `ColorSpec`

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification).

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

`'auto'` (default) | `'unlimited'` | `[x,y,w,h]`

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (x,y), and extending to width <i>w</i> and height <i>h</i> .

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of the ROI face, specified as a numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as true or false. When true (default), the ROI face captures mouse clicks. When false, the ROI face does not capture mouse clicks.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.

Value	Description
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'reshape' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label (' ').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Radius — Radius of circle

nonnegative numeric scalar

Radius of the circle, specified as a nonnegative numeric scalar. You can also set this property by drawing or resizing the circle.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | ColorSpec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`). The intensities must be in the range $[0, 1]$. If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify `StripeColor`, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as a ContextMenu object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of points on edge of Circle

n -by-2 array

Locations of points on the edge of the ROI, returned as an n -by-2 array, where n is the total number of vertices.

This property is read-only.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Methods

Public Methods

`<infotypegroup type="method"> beginDrawingFromPoint bringToFront
createMask draw inROI </infotypegroup>`

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.CircleMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.CircleMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Circular ROI Non-interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```




Create a circular ROI on the image. Use the 'Center' property to specify the location and the 'Radius' property to specify the size. For programmatically created ROIs, if you want the ROI drawn in a specific axes, you must specify that axes as an input argument. Otherwise, an instance of the `images.roi.Circle` class is created but not displayed. In this example, specify the current axes (`gca`) to draw the ROI on the image in that axes.

```
h = images.roi.Circle(gca, 'Center', [1000 1000], 'Radius', 500);
```



Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Resize the ROI.	Position the pointer over one of the vertices on the circle and then click and drag. The aspect ratio of the ROI remains constant (1:1).
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag the ROI.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

`drawcircle` | `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` | `images.roi.Cuboid` | `images.roi.Ellipse` | `images.roi.Freehand` | `images.roi.Line` | `images.roi.Point` | `images.roi.Polygon` | `images.roi.Polyline` | `images.roi.Rectangle`

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images.roi.Cuboid class

Package: images.roi

Cuboidal region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Cuboid` class creates a cuboidal region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse. You can also adjust the size and position of the ROI by using the mouse. The ROI also has a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior.

To create an ROI interactively, position the pointer over the pre-drawn ROI, move it to any location in the figure, and click. To delete the cuboid, position the pointer over the ROI, right-click, and select **Delete Cuboid** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1152.

The `images.roi.Cuboid` class is a `handle` class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Cuboid` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Cuboid` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Cuboid(ax)` creates the ROI on the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Cuboid(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance or behavior of the ROI by specifying values for one or more ROI properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying an axes.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

gca (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | ColorSpec

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification).

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as true or false. When the value is true (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to false. When the value is set to false, you can still delete the ROI by calling the delete function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | 1-by-6 numeric array

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is a superset of the current axes limits and a bounding box that surrounds the ROI (default).

Value	Description
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,z,w,h,d]	The drawing area is restricted to a region beginning at (x,y,z), with width w, height h, and depth d.

EdgeAlpha — Transparency of ROI edge

1 (default) | nonnegative numeric scalar

Transparency of ROI edge, specified as a nonnegative numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When set to 1, the ROI edge is fully opaque. When set to 0, the ROI edge is completely transparent.

Example: `drawcuboid('EdgeAlpha',0.2)`

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI faces

0.2 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of the ROI faces, specified as a numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI faces are fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI faces are completely transparent.

FaceAlphaOnHover — Transparency of ROI face directly underneath mouse pointer

0.4 (default) | nonnegative numeric scalar | 'none'

Transparency of ROI face directly underneath the mouse pointer, specified as a scalar value in the range [0 1] or 'none', to indicate no change to face transparency. When set to 1, the face under the mouse pointer is fully opaque. When set to 0, the face is completely transparent.

Example: `drawcuboid('FaceAlphaOnHover',1)`

FaceColorOnHover — Color of ROI face directly underneath mouse pointer

'none' (default) | MATLABColorSpec

Color of the ROI face directly underneath the mouse pointer, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) or 'none'. By default, the face color does not change on hover. When you are not hovering over a face of the ROI, the value of the ROI Color property determines the face color. The intensities must be in the range [0, 1].

Example: `drawcuboid('FaceAlphaOnHover',1)`

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label (' ').

LabelVisible — Visibility of the label

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'hover'

Visibility of the label, specified as one of these values:

Value	Description
'on'	Label is visible when the ROI is visible and the Label property is nonempty (default).
'hover'	Label is visible only when the mouse is hovering over the ROI.
'off'	Label is not visible.

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

1 (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of the cuboid

1-by-6 numeric array

Position of the cuboid, specified as a 1-by-6 array of the form [xmin, ymin, zmin, width, height, depth]. This property updates automatically when you draw or move the cuboid.

Rotatable — Ability of cuboid to be rotated

'none' (default) | 'x' | 'y' | 'z' | 'all'

Ability of the cuboid to be rotated, specified as one of these values:

Value	Description
'all'	ROI is fully rotatable.
'x'	ROI can only be rotated about the x axis
'y'	ROI can only be rotated about the y axis.
'z'	ROI can only be rotated about the z axis.
'none'	ROI is not rotatable.

RotationAngle — Angle of ROI rotation

[0 0 0] (default) | 1-by-3 numeric array of rotation angles

Angle of ROI rotation, specified as a 1-by-3 numeric array of rotation angles, measured in degrees. The rotation angles array is of the form [x_angle y_angle z_angle], measured about the x-, y-, and z-axis, respectively. Rotation is applied about the ROI centroid in order z, then y, then x.

The value of `RotationAngle` does not impact the values in the `Position` property. `Position` represents the cuboid prior to any rotation. When you rotate the cuboid, use the `Vertices` property to determine the location of the rotated cuboid.

ScrollWheelDuringDraw — Ability of scroll wheel to adjust size

'all' (default) | xresize | yresize | zresize | 'none'

Ability of the scroll wheel to adjust the size of the cuboid during interactive placement, specified as one of these values:

Value	Description
'allresize'	Scroll wheel impacts all ROI dimensions.
'xresize'	Scroll wheel impacts only the x dimension.
'yresize'	Scroll wheel impacts only the y dimension.
'zresize'	Scroll wheel impacts only the z dimension.
'none'	Scroll wheel has no effect.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | ColorSpec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`). The intensities must be in the range [0, 1]. If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify StripeColor, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the findobj function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as a ContextMenu object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the uicontextmenu function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of corners of cuboidal ROI

8-by-3 numeric array

Locations of the corners of cuboidal ROI, returned as an 8-by-3 array.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Methods

Public Methods

```
<infotypegroup type="method"> beginDrawingFromPoint bringToFront draw  
inROI </infotypegroup>
```

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Cuboid ROI on Scatter Plot

Define vectors for 3-D scatter data.

```
[x,y,z] = sphere(16);
X = [x(:)*.5 x(:)*.75 x(:)];
Y = [y(:)*.5 y(:)*.75 y(:)];
Z = [z(:)*.5 z(:)*.75 z(:)];
```

Specify the size and color of each marker.

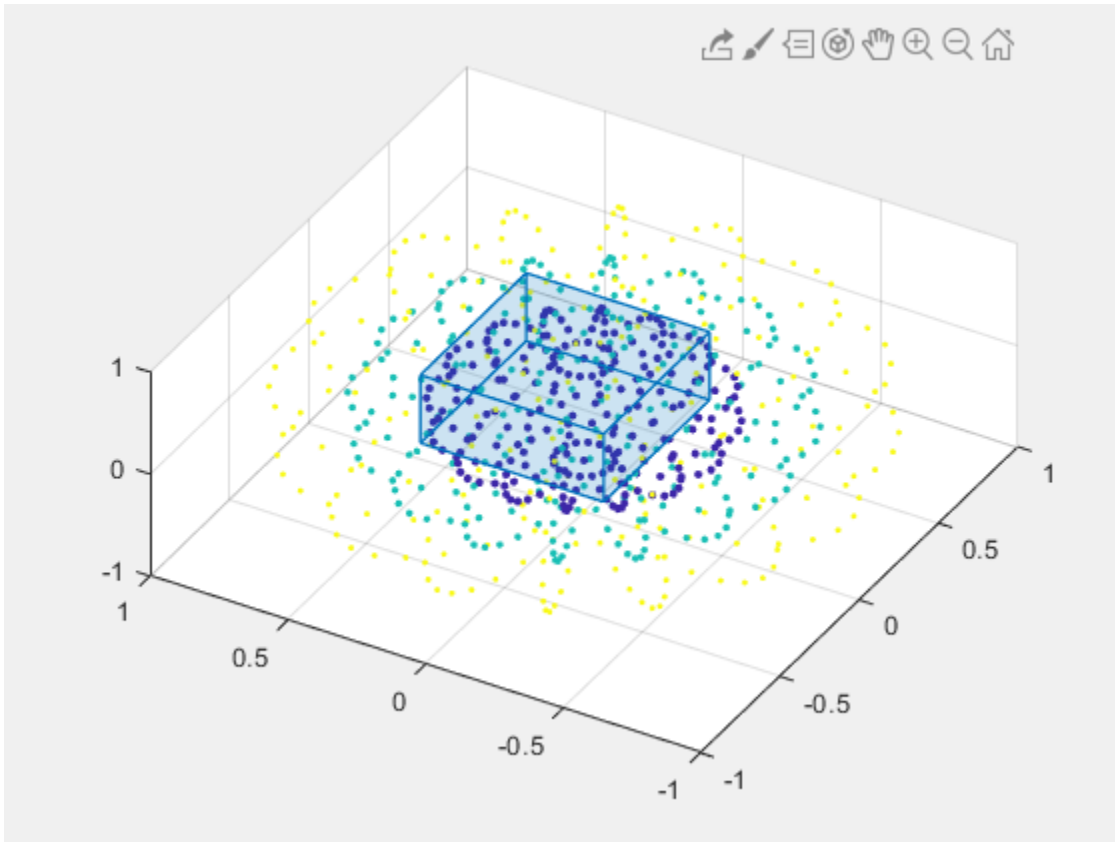
```
S = repmat([1 .75 .5]*10,numel(x),1);
C = repmat([1 2 3],numel(x),1);
```

Create a 3-D scatter plot and use view to change the angle of the axes in the figure.

```
figure
hScatter = scatter3(X(:),Y(:),Z(:),S(:),C(:),'filled');
view(-60,60);
```

Begin placing a cuboid in the axes that snaps to the nearest point from the scatter plot. Adjust the size of the cuboid during interactive placement by using the scroll wheel.

```
ax = gca;  
h = images.roi.Cuboid(ax);  
draw(h)
```



Tips

- The ROI supports the following interactivity, including keyboard shortcuts.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Fine-tune ROI size while drawing.	Use the scroll wheel to make small changes to the size of the ROI while drawing.
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty Position field.
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	<p>Position the pointer on one of the visible faces of the cuboid and click and drag the surface. You might have to rotate the cuboid to select a surface.</p> <p>If you press the Shift, dragging the mouse moves the ROI but does not change any of the dimensions.</p>
Move the ROI.	<p>Position the pointer on any of the visible surfaces of the ROI and click and drag while pressing Shift.</p> <p>Position the pointer on any visible surface of the ROI, right-click, and select Lock Dimensions. Click and drag to move the ROI.</p>

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

drawcuboid | images.roi.AssistedFreehand | images.roi.Circle |
 images.roi.Ellipse | images.roi.Freehand | images.roi.Line |
 images.roi.Point | images.roi.Polygon | images.roi.Polyline |
 images.roi.Rectangle

Introduced in R2019a

images.roi.Ellipse class

Package: images.roi

Elliptical region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Ellipse` class creates an elliptical region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse.

To draw the ROI interactively, position the pointer over the axes and click and drag to draw the ellipse. To finish drawing the ROI, release the pointer. To delete the ROI, position the pointer on the ellipse, right-click, and select **Delete Ellipse** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-609.

The `images.roi.Ellipse` class is a handle class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Ellipse` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Ellipse` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Ellipse(ax)` creates the ROI on the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Ellipse(___, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance or behavior of the ROI by specifying values for one or more ROI properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying an axes.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

gca (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

AspectRatio — Aspect ratio of ellipse

$(1+\sqrt{5})/2$ (default) | positive numeric scalar

Aspect ratio of the ellipse, specified as a numeric scalar. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or resize the ellipse, or by setting the `SemiAxes` property. The `images.roi.Ellipse` object calculates this value as `height/width`.

Center — Center of ROI

`[]` (default) | 1-by-2 numeric array

Center of the ROI, specified as a 1-by-2 numeric array of the form `[x y]`. The values `x` and `y` are the coordinates of the center point of the ROI. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec`

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification).

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this

context menu item, set this property to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (x,y), and extending to width <i>w</i> and height <i>h</i> .

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of the ROI face, specified as a numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as `true` or `false`. When `true` (default), the ROI face captures mouse clicks. When `false`, the ROI face does not capture mouse clicks.

FixedAspectRatio — Aspect ratio remains constant during interaction

false (default) | true

Aspect ratio remains constant during interaction, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `true`, the ROI maintains the aspect ratio when you draw or resize the ellipse. When the value is `false` (default), you can change the aspect ratio when drawing or resizing the ellipse. You can change the state of this property using the default context menu.

HandleVisibility – Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed – Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'reshape' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label – ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label (' ').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

RotationAngle — Angle around center of ROI

0 (default) | nonnegative numeric scalar

Angle around the center of the ROI, specified as a nonnegative numeric scalar. The angle is measured in degrees in a clockwise direction. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

The value of `RotationAngle` does not impact the value of `Position`. The `Position` property represents the initial position of the ROI, before rotation. To determine the location of a rotated ROI, use the `Vertices` property.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | ColorSpec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`). The intensities must be in the range `[0,1]`. If `'SelectedColor'` is set to `'none'`, then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

SemiAxes — Lengths of semiaxes of ellipse`[semiaxis1 semiaxis2]`

Lengths of the semiaxis of the ellipse, specified as a 1-by-2 array of the form `[semiaxis1 semiaxis2]`. The `images.roi.Ellipse` object assigns the length of the semiaxis that is closest to the x direction to `semiaxis1`. Note however that the shape and orientation of the ellipse can change through interaction. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or reshape the ROI.

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe`'none'` (default) | `ColorSpec` value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify `StripeColor`, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by `'Color'` and this value.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI`''` (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu`ContextMenu` object

Context menu, specified as a `ContextMenu` object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of points that lie along perimeter of ellipse*n*-by-2 array

Locations of points that lie along the perimeter of the ellipse, specified as an *n*-by-2 array. This property is read-only.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Methods

Public Methods

```
<infotypegroup type="method"> beginDrawingFromPoint bringToFront  
createMask draw inROI </infotypegroup>
```

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Elliptical ROI Non-interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');
figure
imshow(I)
```



Create an elliptical ROI on the image, using the `Center` property to specify the location and the `SemiAxes` property to specify its shape. For programmatically created ROIs, if you want the ROI drawn in a specific axes, you must specify that axes as an input argument. Otherwise, an instance of the `images.roi.Ellipse` class is created but not displayed. In this example, specify the current axes (`gca`) to draw the ROI on the image in that axes.

```
h = images.roi.Ellipse(gca, 'Center', [1000 1000], 'Semiaxes', [350 150]);
```



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Tips

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Fine-tune width of ellipse as you are drawing.	As you draw the ellipse, use the scroll wheel to make small changes to the width of the ellipse.
Rotate the ROI.	Position the pointer near a vertex. The pointer changes to the rotate pointer. Click and rotate the ROI on its center. To make the rotation snap at 15 degree angles, press Shift as you rotate.
Maintain aspect ratio while drawing.	Hold the Shift key as you draw. Creates a circular ROI. To lock the aspect ratio, position the pointer on the ROI, right-click, and select Fix Aspect Ratio from the context menu
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. To main the aspect ratio as you resize, hold the Shift key.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag to move the ROI.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

drawellipse | images.roi.AssistedFreehand | images.roi.Circle |
images.roi.Cuboid | images.roi.Freehand | images.roi.Line |
images.roi.Point | images.roi.Polygon | images.roi.Polyline |
images.roi.Rectangle

Topics

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Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.Freehand class

Package: images.roi

Freehand region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Freehand` class creates a freehand region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse.

To create a freehand ROI interactively, position the pointer on the axes and click and drag to draw the ROI shape. Release the pointer to close the shape. To delete a freehand ROI, position the pointer over the ROI, right-click, and select **Delete Freehand** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1178.

The `images.roi.Freehand` class is a `handle` class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Freehand` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Freehand` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Freehand(ax)` creates the ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Freehand(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs to specify properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying `ax`.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

`gca` (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

Closed — Close freehand ROI

`true` (default) | `false`

Close the freehand ROI, specified as a logical value `true` or `false`. If `true` (default), `images.roi.Freehand` closes the ROI by connecting the last point drawn to the first point drawn.

Color — ROI color

`blue` (default) | `ColorSpec`

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification).

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

`'auto'` (default) | `'unlimited'` | `[x,y,w,h]`

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (x,y), and extending to width w and height h.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of the ROI face, specified as a numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as true or false. When true (default), the ROI face captures mouse clicks. When false, the ROI face does not capture mouse clicks.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.

Value	Description
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI`'all'` (default) | `'none'` | `'reshape'` | `'translate'`

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label — ROI label`''` (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label ('').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge`three times the number of points per screen pixel` (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Multiclick — Control freehand drawing style during interactive placement`false` (default) | `true`

Control the freehand drawing style during interactive placement, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. When the value is `false` (the default), a single click and drag

gesture completes the freehand ROI. When the value is `true`, multiple click and drag gestures can be combined with straight edges to make a more complex freehand ROI shape.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

n -by-2 numeric array

Position of the ROI, specified as an n -by-2 numeric array of the form $[x_1 \ y_1; \dots; x_n \ y_n]$, where n is the number of points. Each row specifies the position of a point defining the ROI.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

`false` (default) | `true`

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | ColorSpec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). The intensities must be in the range $[0, 1]$. If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: $[0 \ 1 \ 0]$

Smoothing — Smooth ROI during interactive placement

1 (default) | positive numeric scalar

Smooth ROI during interactive placement, specified as a positive numeric scalar. Filter the x and y coordinates of the ROI after interactive placement with a Gaussian smoothing

kernel with standard deviation specified by `Smoothing`. The filter size is $2 * \text{ceil}(2 * \text{Smoothing}) + 1$.

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | `ColorSpec` value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify `StripeColor`, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

`ContextMenu` object

Context menu, specified as a `ContextMenu` object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Waypoints — Control points used to reshape ROI

[] (default) | n -by-1 array

Control points used to reshape ROI, specified as an n -by-1 array. In the array, a row with the value `true` indicates the position on the ROI edge is a waypoint. The length of the `Waypoints` array must match the number of rows in the `Position` property. Dragging a waypoint modifies the freehand-drawn region between the specified waypoint and its immediate neighboring waypoints. If empty (the default), `images.roi.Freehand` generates waypoints automatically at locations of increased curvature.

Methods

Public Methods

`<infotypegroup type="method">` `beginDrawingFromPoint` `bringToFront`
`createMask` `draw` `inROI` `</infotypegroup>`

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	<code>event.EventData</code>	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	<code>event.EventData</code>	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
AddingWaypoint	A waypoint is about to be interactively added to the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
WaypointAdded	A waypoint has been interactively added to the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
RemovingWaypoint	A waypoint is about to be interactively removed from the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
WaypointRemoved	A waypoint has been interactively removed from the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Freehand ROI Non-interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Create a freehand ROI on the image, using the `Position` property to specify the vertices of the ROI. For programmatically created ROIs, if you want the ROI drawn in a specific axes, you must specify that axes as an input argument. Otherwise, an instance of the `images.roi.Freehand` class is created but not displayed. In this example, specify the current axes (`gca`) to draw the ROI on the image in that axes.

```
h = images.roi.Freehand(gca, 'Position', [100 150; 200 250; 300 350; 150 450]);
```



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Tips

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Finish drawing (close) the ROI.	Right-click. Position pointer over the first vertex and click. Press Enter .
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Add a new vertex (waypoint) to the ROI.	Position the pointer on the edge of the ROI and double-click. Position the pointer on the edge of the ROI, right-click, choose Add Waypoint from the context menu.
Remove a vertex (waypoint) from the ROI.	Position the pointer on a vertex, right-click, choose Remove Waypoint from the context menu.
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. Add a new vertex to the polygon and then click and drag.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer on the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag the ROI.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

drawfreehand | images.roi.AssistedFreehand | images.roi.Circle |
 images.roi.Cuboid | images.roi.Ellipse | images.roi.Line |
 images.roi.Point | images.roi.Polygon | images.roi.Polyline |
 images.roi.Rectangle

Topics

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Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.Line class

Package: images.roi

Line region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Line` class creates a linear region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse.

To create a linear ROI interactively, position the pointer where you want to start drawing and then click and drag to draw the line. Release the pointer to finish the line. To delete the line, position the pointer over the line, right-click, and select **Delete Line** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1190.

The `images.roi.Line` class is a `handle` class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Line` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Line` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Line(ax)` creates the ROI on the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Line(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance or behavior of the ROI by specifying values for one or more ROI properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying an axes.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

gca (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | ColorSpec

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification).

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as true or false. When the value is true (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to false. When the value is set to false, you can still delete the ROI by calling the delete function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.

Value	Description
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (x,y), and extending to width w and height h.

HandleVisibility – Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed – Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'reshape' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label (' ').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

[] (default) | 2-by-2 numeric array

Position of the ROI, specified as a 2-by-2 array of the form [x1 y1; x2 y2], where each row specifies the respective end-point of the line segment. You can also set this property by drawing or moving the line.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | ColorSpec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification). The intensities must be in the range [0,1]. If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of Color defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify StripeColor, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the findobj function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as a ContextMenu object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the uicontextmenu function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).

Value	Description
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Methods

Public Methods

`<infotYPEgroup type="method">` beginDrawingFromPoint bringToFront
createMask draw `</infotYPEgroup>`

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Linear ROI Non-interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Create a linear ROI on the image, using the `Position` property to specify the ROI location. For programmatically created ROIs, if you want the ROI drawn in a specific axes, you must specify that axes as an input argument. Otherwise, an instance of the `images.roi.Line` class is created but not displayed. In this example, specify the current axes (`gca`) to draw the ROI on the image in that axes.

```
h = images.roi.Line(gca,'Position',[100 150;400 650]);
```



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Tips

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Make drawn line snap to 15 degree angles.	Hold the Shift key while drawing.
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Resize the ROI.	Position pointer over either endpoint and then click and drag to resize the ROI. Hold the Shift key while resizing to snap the line drawn at 15 degree angles.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Then click and drag the ROI.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

drawline | images.roi.AssistedFreehand | images.roi.Circle | images.roi.Cuboid | images.roi.Ellipse | images.roi.Freehand | images.roi.Point | images.roi.Polygon | images.roi.Polyline | images.roi.Rectangle

Topics

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Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.Point class

Package: images.roi

Point region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Point` class creates a point region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse.

To create a point ROI interactively, position the pointer where you want the ROI and then click and release to draw it. To delete the ROI, position the pointer over the point, right-click, and then choose **Delete Point** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1201.

The `images.roi.Point` class is a handle class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Point` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Point` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Point(ax)` creates the ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Point(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs to specify properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying `ax`.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

gca (default) | Axes object

Parent of ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | ColorSpec

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification).

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as true or false. When the value is true (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to false. When the value is set to false, you can still delete the ROI by calling the delete function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.

Value	Description
[<i>x</i> , <i>y</i> , <i>w</i> , <i>h</i>]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (<i>x</i> , <i>y</i>), and extending to width <i>w</i> and height <i>h</i> .

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'reshape' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label — ROI label`' '` (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label (' ').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

1-by-2 numeric array

Position of the ROI, specified as a 1-by-2 numeric array of the form $[x \ y]$, where x and y specify the location of the point. You can modify this property by drawing or moving the point.

Selected — Selection state of ROI`false` (default) | `true`

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected`'none'` (default) | `ColorSpec`

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`). The intensities must be in the range $[0, 1]$. If `'SelectedColor'` is set to `'none'`, then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: `'green'`

Example: `'g'`

Example: `[0 1 0]`

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | ColorSpec value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify StripeColor, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the findobj function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

ContextMenu object

Context menu, specified as a ContextMenu object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the uicontextmenu function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).

Value	Description
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Methods

Public Methods

```
<infotYPEgroup type="method"> beginDrawingFromPoint bringToFront draw </infotYPEgroup>
```

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Point ROI Non-interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure;  
imshow(I)
```



Create a point ROI on the image, using the 'Position' property to specify the location. For programmatically created ROIs, if you want the ROI drawn in a specific axes, you must specify that axes as an input argument. Otherwise, an instance of the `images.roi.Point` class is created but not displayed. In this example, specify the current axes (`gca`) to draw the ROI on the image in that axes.

```
h = images.roi.Point(gca,'Position',[400 650]);
```



Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty Position field.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to a circle. Click and drag to move the ROI.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

`drawpoint` | `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` | `images.roi.Circle` | `images.roi.Cuboid` | `images.roi.Ellipse` | `images.roi.Freehand` | `images.roi.Line` | `images.roi.Polygon` | `images.roi.Polyline` | `images.roi.Rectangle`

Topics

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Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.Polygon class

Package: images.roi

Polygonal region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Polygon` class defines a polygonal region-of-interest (ROI) over an image. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse.

To draw the ROI interactively, position the pointer over the axes, click and drag the pointer to draw the ROI. As you draw the line, click to create a vertex. Double-click to finish drawing and close the polygon. The ROI supports a right-click context menu that lets you add a vertex, delete a vertex, or delete the entire ROI, depending on where you right-click. To delete the ROI, position the pointer on the ROI, right-click, and choose **Delete Polygon** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1213.

The `images.roi.Polygon` class is a `handle` class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Polygon` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Polygon` object with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Polygon(ax)` creates the ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Polygon(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs to specify properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying `ax`.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

gca (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | ColorSpec

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification).

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).

Value	Description
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (x,y), and extending to width w and height h.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of the ROI face, specified as a numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as true or false. When true (default), the ROI face captures mouse clicks. When false, the ROI face does not capture mouse clicks.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'reshape' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label — ROI label`' '` (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label (' ').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge`three times the number of points per screen pixel (default)` | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent`Axes` object

ROI parent, specified as an `Axes` object. A `UIAxes` cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI`n-by-2 numeric array`

Position of the ROI, specified as an `n-by-2` numeric array of the form `[x1 y1; ... ;xn yn]`, where each row specifies the position of a vertex of the polygon.

Selected — Selection state of ROI`false (default)` | `true`

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this

property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | `ColorSpec`

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`). The intensities must be in the range $[0, 1]$. If 'SelectedColor' is set to 'none', then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: $[0 \ 1 \ 0]$

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | `ColorSpec` value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify `StripeColor`, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: $[0 \ 1 \ 0]$

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

`ContextMenu` object

Context menu, specified as a `ContextMenu` object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of points on the edge of ROI*n*-by-2 array

Locations of points on the edge of the ROI, specified as an *n*-by-2 array. This property is read-only.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Methods

Public Methods

`<infotypegroup type="method"> beginDrawingFromPoint bringToFront
createMask draw inROI </infotypegroup>`

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
AddingVertex	A vertex is about to be interactively added to the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
VertexAdded	A vertex has been interactively added to the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DeletingVertex	A vertex is about to be interactively removed from the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
VertexDeleted	A vertex has been interactively removed from the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Polygonal ROI Non-interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure;  
imshow(I)
```




Create a polygonal ROI on the image, using the `Position` property to specify the vertices of the ROI. Note that you must specify the axes where you want to draw the ROI as the first argument.

```
h = images.roi.Polygon(gca, 'Position', [100 150; 200 250; 300 350; 150 450]);
```



Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Make drawn line snap at 15 degree angles.	Hold the Shift key while drawing.
Finish drawing (close) the ROI.	<p>Double-click, which adds a new vertex at the pointer position and draws a line to the first vertex to close the polygon.</p> <p>Press Enter, which adds a new vertex at the pointer position and draws a line to the first vertex to close the polygon.</p> <p>Right-click, which does not add a new vertex but closes the polygon from the previous vertex.</p> <p>Position pointer over the first vertex and click.</p>
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty Position field.
Add a new vertex to the ROI.	<p>Position the pointer over the edge of the ROI and double-click.</p> <p>Position the pointer over the edge of the ROI, right-click, and select Add Vertex from the context menu.</p>
Remove the most recently added vertex but keep drawing.	Press Backspace . The function redraws the line from the previous vertex to the current position of the pointer. You can only back up to the first vertex you drew.

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Resize (reshape) the ROI	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. Add a new vertex to the polygon and then click and drag. Remove a vertex. The ROI redraws the line connecting the two neighboring vertices.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. Hover over the edge of the polygon (not on a vertex). The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag to move the ROI.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

`drawpolygon` | `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` | `images.roi.Circle` | `images.roi.Cuboid` | `images.roi.Ellipse` | `images.roi.Freehand` | `images.roi.Line` | `images.roi.Point` | `images.roi.Polyline` | `images.roi.Rectangle`

Topics

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Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.Polyline class

Package: images.roi

Polyline region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Polyline` class creates a polyline region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse.

To create a polyline ROI interactively, position the pointer over the axes and click and drag to draw the line. As you draw, click to place vertices along the line. Double-click to finish drawing the polyline. To delete the ROI, position the pointer over the line, right-click, and select **Delete Polyline** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1226.

The `images.roi.Polyline` class is a handle class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Polyline` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Polyline` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Polyline(ax, ___)` creates the ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Polyline(___, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs to specify properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying `ax`.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

gca (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | ColorSpec

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB ColorSpec (Color Specification).

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).

Value	Description
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (x,y), and extending to width <i>w</i> and height <i>h</i> .

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'reshape' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.

Value	Description
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label — ROI label

'' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label ('').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI[] (default) | *n*-by-2 numeric array

Position of ROI, specified as a *n*-by-2 array of the form [x1 y1; x2 y2], where *n* is the total number of vertices. Each row specifies the respective end-point of a line segment. You can also set this property by drawing or moving the line.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

false (default) | true

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | ColorSpec

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`). The intensities must be in the range [0, 1]. If 'SelectedColor' is

set to 'none', then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | `ColorSpec` value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify `StripeColor`, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

`ContextMenu` object

Context menu, specified as a `ContextMenu` object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Visible — ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Methods

Public Methods

`<infotepgroup type="method"> beginDrawingFromPoint bringToFront
createMask draw </infotepgroup>`

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.ROIMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
AddingVertex	A vertex is about to be interactively added to the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
VertexAdded	A vertex has been interactively added to the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DeletingVertex	A vertex is about to be interactively deleted from the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
VertexDeleted	A vertex has been interactively deleted from the ROI.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Polyline ROI Non-interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure;  
imshow(I)
```



Create a polyline ROI on the image, using properties to specify the location of vertices. For programmatically created ROIs, if you want the ROI drawn in a specific axes, you must specify that axes as an input argument. Otherwise, an instance of the `images.roi.Polyline` class is created but not displayed. In this example, specify the current axes (`gca`) to draw the ROI on the image in that axes.

```
h = images.roi.Polyline(gca, 'Position', [100 150; 200 250; 300 350; 150 450]);
```



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Tips

Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Make drawn line snap at 15 degree angles.	Hold the Shift key while drawing.
Finish drawing the ROI.	<p>Double-click, which adds a final new vertex at the pointer position.</p> <p>Right-click, which adds a final new vertex at the pointer position.</p> <p>Press Enter, which adds a final new vertex at the pointer position..</p>
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty Position field.
Add a new vertex to the ROI.	Position the pointer over the polygon and double-click. You can also position the pointer over the ROI, right-click, and choose Add Vertex .
Remove a vertex from the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI, right-click, and choose Delete Vertex .
Remove the most recently added vertex but keep drawing.	Press Backspace . The function redraws the line from the previous vertex to the current position of the pointer. You can only back up to the first vertex you drew.
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	<p>Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag.</p> <p>Add a new vertex and then click and drag.</p> <p>Remove a vertex and the shape of the ROI adjusts.</p>
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the line, not on a vertex. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag the polygon.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

`drawpolyline` | `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` | `images.roi.Circle` |
`images.roi.Cuboid` | `images.roi.Ellipse` | `images.roi.Freehand` |
`images.roi.Line` | `images.roi.Point` | `images.roi.Polygon` |
`images.roi.Rectangle`

Topics

“ROI Creation Overview”

Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.Rectangle class

Package: images.roi

Rectangular region of interest

Description

The `images.roi.Rectangle` class creates a rectangular region-of-interest (ROI) object. You call the `draw` method of the object to begin drawing the ROI interactively by using your mouse.

To draw the ROI interactively, position the pointer and then click and drag. Release the pointer to finish the ROI. To delete the ROI, position the pointer on the rectangle, right-click, and choose **Delete Rectangle** from the context menu. For more information about interactive behaviors including keyboard shortcuts, see “Tips” on page 1-1239.

The `images.roi.Rectangle` class is a handle class.

Creation

Description

`h = images.roi.Rectangle` creates an instance of the `images.roi.Rectangle` class with default properties.

`h = images.roi.Rectangle(ax)` creates an ROI in the axes specified by `ax`.

`h = images.roi.Rectangle(____, Name, Value)` modifies the appearance and behavior of the ROI using one or more name-value pairs to specify properties. You can set properties using name-value pairs with or without specifying `ax`.

Input Arguments

ax — Parent of ROI

gca (default) | Axes object

Parent of the ROI, specified as an Axes object.

Properties

Public Properties

AspectRatio — Aspect ratio of rectangle

1 (default) | positive numeric scalar

Aspect ratio of the rectangle, specified as a positive numeric scalar. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or resize the rectangle. The `images.roi.Rectangle` object calculates this value as height/width

Color — ROI color

blue (default) | `ColorSpec`

ROI color, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification).

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Deletable — ROI can be interactively deleted via context menu

true (default) | false

ROI can be interactively deleted via a context menu, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `true` (default), you can delete the ROI via the context menu. To disable this context menu item, set this property to `false`. When the value is set to `false`, you can still delete the ROI by calling the `delete` function specifying the handle to the ROI as the input.

DrawingArea — Area of axes in which you can interactively place ROI

'auto' (default) | 'unlimited' | [x,y,w,h]

Area of the axes in which you can interactively place the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'auto'	The drawing area is the current axes limits (default).
'unlimited'	The drawing area has no boundary and ROIs can be drawn or dragged to extend beyond the axes limits.
[x,y,w,h]	The drawing area is restricted to a rectangular region beginning at (x,y), and extending to width w and height h.

FaceAlpha — Transparency of ROI face

0.2 (default) | numeric scalar

Transparency of the ROI face, specified as a numeric scalar value in the range [0 1]. When the value is 1, the ROI face is fully opaque. When the value is 0, the ROI face is completely transparent.

FaceSelectable — ROI face can capture clicks

true (default) | false

ROI face can capture clicks, specified as true or false. When true (default), the ROI face captures mouse clicks. When false, the ROI face does not capture mouse clicks.

FixedAspectRatio — Aspect ratio remains constant during interaction

false (default) | true

Aspect ratio remains constant during interaction, specified as true or false. When the value is true, the ROI maintains the aspect ratio when you draw or resize the rectangle. When the value is false (default), you can change the aspect ratio when drawing or resizing the rectangle. You can change the state of this property using the default context menu.

HandleVisibility — Visibility of ROI handle in Children property of parent

'on' (default) | 'off' | 'callback'

Visibility of the ROI handle in the Children property of the parent, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	The object handle is always visible (default).
'off'	The object handle is hidden at all times.
'callback'	The object handle is visible from within callbacks or functions invoked by callbacks, but not from within functions invoked from the command line.

InteractionsAllowed — Interactivity of ROI

'all' (default) | 'none' | 'reshape' | 'translate'

Interactivity of the ROI, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'all'	The ROI is fully interactable (default).
'none'	The ROI is not interactable, and no drag points are visible.
'translate'	The ROI can be translated (moved) within the drawing area but not reshaped. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects.
'reshape'	The ROI can be reshaped but not translated. This value is not available for use with <code>images.roi.Point</code> objects or <code>images.roi.Rectangle</code> objects.

Label — ROI label

' ' (default) | character vector | string

ROI label, specified as a character vector or string. By default, the ROI has no label (' ').

LineWidth — Width of ROI edge

three times the number of points per screen pixel (default) | positive numeric scalar

Width of the ROI edge, specified as a positive numeric scalar in points. The default value is three times the number of points per screen pixel.

Parent — ROI parent

Axes object

ROI parent, specified as an Axes object. A UIAxes cannot be the parent of the ROI.

Position — Position of ROI

1-by-4 numeric array

Position of the ROI, specified as a 1-by-4 numeric array of the form `[xmin, ymin, width, height]`. `xmin` and `ymin` specify the location of the upper left corner of the rectangle. `width` and `height` specify the extent to the rectangle in two dimensions.

Rotatable — Ability of the rectangle to be rotated

`false` (default) | `true`

Ability of the rectangle to be rotated, specified as `true` or `false`. When the value is `false` (default), the rectangle cannot be rotated. When the value is `true`, you can rotate the rectangle by clicking near the markers at the corners.

RotationAngle — Angle around center of rectangle

0 (default) | numeric scalar

Angle around the center of the rectangle, specified as a numeric scalar. The angle is measured in degrees in a clockwise direction. The value of this property changes automatically when you draw or move the ROI.

The value of `RotationAngle` does not impact the values in `Position`. The `Position` property represents the initial position of the ROI, before rotation. To determine the location of a rotated ROI, use the `Vertices` property.

Selected — Selection state of ROI

`false` (default) | `true`

Selection state of the ROI, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. You can also set this property interactively. For example, clicking on the ROI selects the ROI and sets this property to `true`. Similarly, pressing the **Ctrl** key and clicking the ROI deselects the ROI and sets the value of this property to `false`.

SelectedColor — Color of ROI when selected

'none' (default) | `ColorSpec`

Color of the ROI when selected, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (`Color Specification`). The intensities must be in the range `[0, 1]`. If `'SelectedColor'` is

set to 'none', then the value of `Color` defines the color of the ROI for all states, selected or not.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

StripeColor — Color of ROI stripe

'none' (default) | `ColorSpec` value

Color of the ROI stripe, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec` (Color Specification) value. By default, the edge of an ROI is solid colored. If you specify `StripeColor`, the ROI edge is striped. The striping consists of a combination of the value specified by 'Color' and this value.

Example: 'green'

Example: 'g'

Example: [0 1 0]

Tag — Tag to associate with the ROI

' ' (default) | character vector | string scalar

Tag to associate with the ROI, specified as a character vector or string. Use the tag value to find the ROI object in a hierarchy of objects using the `findobj` function.

UIContextMenu — Context menu

`ContextMenu` object

Context menu, specified as a `ContextMenu` object. Use this property to display a custom context menu when you right-click the ROI. You can create a custom context menu by using the `uicontextmenu` function and then configuring context menu properties.

UserData — Data to associate with ROI

any MATLAB data

Data to associate with the ROI, specified as any MATLAB data. For example, you can specify a scalar, vector, matrix, cell array, string, character array, table, or structure. MATLAB does not use this data.

Vertices — Locations of points on edge of rectangle

n -by-2 array

Locations of points on the edge of the ROI, specified as an n -by-2 array.

This property is read-only.

Visible – ROI visibility

'on' (default) | 'off'

ROI visibility, specified as one of the values in this table.

Value	Description
'on'	Display the ROI (default).
'off'	Hide the ROI without deleting it. You still can access the properties of an invisible ROI.

Methods

Public Methods

`<infotypegroup type="method"> beginDrawingFromPoint bringToFront
createMask draw inROI </infotypegroup>`

Events

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DeletingROI	ROI is about to be interactively deleted.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
DrawingStarted	ROI is about to be interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Event Name	Trigger	Event Data	Event Attributes
DrawingFinished	ROI has been interactively drawn.	event.EventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
MovingROI	ROI shape or location is being interactively changed.	images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIMoved	ROI shape or location has been interactively changed.	images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public
ROIClicked	ROI has been clicked.	images.roi.ROIClickedEventData	NotifyAccess: private ListenAccess: public

Examples

Create Rectangular ROI Non-interactively

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('baby.jpg');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Create a rectangular ROI on the image, using the `Position` parameter to specify its location and size. The example also specifies that the edge of the rectangle is a striped line. For programmatically created ROIs, if you want the ROI drawn in a specific axes, you must specify that axes as an input argument. Otherwise, an instance of the `images.roi.Rectangle` class is created but not displayed. In this example, specify the current axes (`gca`) to draw the ROI on the image in that axes.

```
h = images.roi.Rectangle(gca, 'Position', [500,500,1000,1000], 'StripeColor', 'r');
```



Behavior	Keyboard shortcut
Stop drawing the ROI.	Press Esc . The function returns a valid ROI object with an empty <code>Position</code> field.
Resize (reshape) the ROI.	Position pointer over a vertex and then click and drag. The rectangle has vertices at each corner and at the midpoint of each side. To preserve the aspect ratio while resizing, press the Shift key. To lock the aspect ratio, use the Fix Aspect Ratio in the right-click context menu.
Move the ROI.	Position the pointer over the ROI. The pointer changes to the fleur shape. Click and drag the ROI.

- For information about using an ROI in an app created with App Designer, see “Using ROIs in Apps Created with App Designer”.

See Also

`drawrectangle` | `images.roi.AssistedFreehand` | `images.roi.Circle` | `images.roi.Cuboid` | `images.roi.Ellipse` | `images.roi.Freehand` | `images.roi.Line` | `images.roi.Point` | `images.roi.Polygon` | `images.roi.Polyline`

Topics

“ROI Creation Overview”

Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.CircleMovingEventData class

Package: images.roi

Event data passed when the circle ROI is moving

Description

The `images.roi.CircleMovingEventData` class is the class passed to listeners when a Circle ROI is moving. When the ROI class triggers an event using the `notify handle` class method, MATLAB assigns values to the properties of an `images.roi.CircleMovingEventData` object and passes that object to the listener callback function (the event handler).

The `images.roi.CircleMovingEventData` class is a handle class.

Class Attributes

`ConstructOnLoad`

 true

`HandleCompatible`

 true

For information on class attributes, see “Class Attributes” (MATLAB).

Creation

The `notify handle` class method creates an `images.roi.CircleMovingEventData` object when called to trigger an event. `images.roi.CircleMovingEventData` accepts no input arguments.

Properties

Public Properties

Source — Event source

object

Event source, specified as a handle to the object that triggered the event.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

EventName — Name of event

character vector

Name of the event, specified as a character vector.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Data Types: char

PreviousCenter — Position before ROI moved

two-element numeric vector

Position before ROI moved, specified as a two-element numeric vector of the form [x y].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentCenter — Position after ROI moved

two-element numeric vector

Position after ROI moved, specified as a two-element numeric vector of the form [x y].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

PreviousRadius — Radius before change in size

numeric scalar

Radius before change in size, specified as a numeric scalar.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentRadius — Radius after change in size

numeric scalar

Radius after change in size, specified as a numeric scalar.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Examples

Access Event Data

This callback function gets the event source object handle and the event name and other properties from the `images.roi.CircleMovingEventData` object passed to it when the event is triggered.

```
function myCallbk(s,evtData)
    eventSource = evtData.Source;
    eventName = evtData.EventName;
    previousCenter = evtData.PreviousCenter;
    currentCenter = evtData.CurrentCenter;
    previousRadius = evtData.PreviousRadius;
    currentRadius = evtData.CurrentRadius;
end
```

See Also

`images.roi.Circle`

Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData class

Package: images.roi

Event data passed when the cuboid ROI is moving

Description

The `images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData` class is the class passed to listeners when a Cuboid ROI is moving. When the ROI class triggers an event using the `notify handle` class method, MATLAB assigns values to the properties of an `images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData` object and passes that object to the listener callback function (the event handler).

The `images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData` class is a handle class.

Class Attributes

ConstructOnLoad

 true

HandleCompatible

 true

For information on class attributes, see “Class Attributes” (MATLAB).

Creation

The `notify handle` class method creates an `images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData` object when called to trigger an event. `images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData` accepts no input arguments.

Properties

Source — Event source

object

Event source, specified as a handle to the object that triggered the event.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

EventName — Name of event

character vector

Name of the event, specified as a character vector.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

PreviousPosition — Position before ROI moved

1-by-6 numeric array

Position before ROI moved, specified as a 1-by-6 numeric array of the form [x y z w h d].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentPosition — Position after ROI moved

1-by-6 numeric array

Position after ROI moved, specified as a 1-by-6 numeric array of the form [x y z w h d].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

PreviousRotationAngle — Orientation before ROI rotated

1-by-3 numeric array

Orientation before ROI rotated, specified as a 1-by-3 numeric array, measured in degrees.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentRotationAngle — Orientation after ROI rotated

1-by-3 numeric array

Orientation after ROI rotated, specified as a 1-by-3 numeric array, measured in degrees.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Examples

Access Event Data

This callback function gets the event source object handle, the event name, and other properties from the `images.roi.CuboidMovingEventData` object passed to it when the event is triggered.

```
function myCallbk(s,evtData)
  eventSource = evtData.Source;
  eventName = evtData.EventName;
  previousCenter = evtData.PreviousCenter;
  currentCenter = evtData.CurrentCenter;
  previousRotationAngle = evtData.PreviousRotationAngle;
  currentRotationAngle = evtData.CurrentRotationAngle;
end
```

See Also

`images.roi.Rectangle`

Introduced in R2019a

images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData class

Package: images.roi

Event data passed when the ellipse ROI is moving

Description

The `images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData` class is the class passed to listeners when an Ellipse ROI is moving. When the ROI class triggers an event using the `notify handle` class method, MATLAB assigns values to the properties of an `images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData` object and passes that object to the listener callback function (the event handler).

The `images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData` class is a `handle` class.

Class Attributes

`ConstructOnLoad`

 true

`HandleCompatible`

 true

For information on class attributes, see “Class Attributes” (MATLAB).

Creation

The `notify handle` class method creates an `images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData` object when called to trigger an event. `images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData` accepts no input arguments.

Properties

Public Properties

Source — Event source

object

Event source, specified as a handle to the object that triggered the event.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

EventName — Name of event

character vector

Name of event, specified as a character vector.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Data Types: char

PreviousCenter — Position before ROI moved

two-element numeric vector

Position before ROI moved, specified as a two-element numeric vector of the form [m n].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentCenter — Position after ROI moved

two-element numeric vector

Position after ROI moved, specified as a two-element numeric vector of the form [m n].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

PreviousSemiAxes — Lengths of semiaxes before ROI was reshaped

two-element numeric vector

Lengths of semiaxes before ROI was reshaped, specified as a two-element numeric vector.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentSemiAxes — Lengths of semiaxes after ROI was reshaped

two-element numeric vector

Lengths of semiaxes after ROI was reshaped, specified as a two-element numeric vector.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

PreviousRotationAngle — Orientation of ROI before rotation

numeric scalar

Orientation of ROI before rotation, specified as a numeric scalar, measured in degrees.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentRotationAngle – Orientation of ROI after rotation

numeric scalar

Position after ROI moved, specified as a numeric scalar, measured in degrees.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Examples

Access Event Data

This callback function gets the event source object handle and the event name and other properties from the `images.roi.EllipseMovingEventData` object passed to it when the event is triggered.

```
function myCallbk(s,evtData)
    eventSource = evtData.Source;
    eventName = evtData.EventName;
    previousCenter = evtData.PreviousCenter;
    currentCenter = evtData.CurrentCenter;
    previousSemiAxes = evtData.PreviousRadius;
    currentSemiAxes = evtData.CurrentRadius;
    previousRotationAngle = evtData.PreviousRotationAngle;
```

```
        currentRotationAngle = evtData.CurrentRotationAngle;  
end
```

See Also

`images.roi.Ellipse`

Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData class

Package: images.roi

Event data passed when the rectangle ROI is moving

Description

The `images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData` class is the class passed to listeners when a Rectangle ROI is moving. When the ROI class triggers an event using the `notify` handle class method, MATLAB assigns values to the properties of an `images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData` object and passes that object to the listener callback function (the event handler).

The `images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData` class is a handle class.

Class Attributes

ConstructOnLoad

true

HandleCompatible

true

For information on class attributes, see “Class Attributes” (MATLAB).

Creation

The `notify` handle class method creates an `images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData` object when called to trigger an event. `images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData` accepts no input arguments.

Properties

Public Properties

Source — Event source

object

Event source, specified as a handle to the object that triggered the event.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

EventName — Name of event

character vector

Name of the event, specified as a character vector.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

PreviousPosition — Position before ROI moved

two-element numeric vector

Position before ROI moved, specified as a two-element numeric vector of the form [m n].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentPosition — Position after ROI moved

two-element numeric vector

Position after ROI moved, specified as a two-element numeric vector of the form [m n].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

PreviousRotationAngle — Orientation before ROI moved

numeric scalar

Orientation before ROI moved, specified as a numeric scalar, measured in degrees.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentRotationAngle — Orientation after ROI moved

numeric scalar

Orientation after ROI moved, specified as a numeric scalar, measured in degrees.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Examples

Access Event Data

This callback function gets the event source object handle, the event name, and other properties from the `images.roi.RectangleMovingEventData` object passed to it when the event is triggered.

```
function myCallbk(s,evtData)
    eventSource = evtData.Source;
    eventName = evtData.EventName;
    previousCenter = evtData.PreviousCenter;
    currentCenter = evtData.CurrentCenter;
    previousRotationAngle = evtData.PreviousRotationAngle;
    currentRotationAngle = evtData.CurrentRotationAngle;
end
```

See Also

`images.roi.Rectangle`

Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.ROIClickedEventData class

Package: images.roi

Event data passed when ROI is clicked

Description

The `images.roi.ROIClickedEventData` class is the class passed to listeners when a region-of-interest (ROI) is clicked. When the ROI class triggers an event using the `notify` handle class method, MATLAB assigns values to the properties of an `images.roi.ROIClickedEventData` object and passes that object to the listener callback function (the event handler).

The `images.roi.ROIClickedEventData` class is a handle class.

Class Attributes

ConstructOnLoad

 true

HandleCompatible

 true

For information on class attributes, see “Class Attributes” (MATLAB).

Creation

The `notify` handle class method creates an `images.roi.ROIClickedEventData` object when called to trigger an event. `images.roi.ROIClickedEventData` does not accept input arguments.

Properties

Public Properties

Source — Event source

object

Event source object, specified as an ROI object of one of the following types:

<code>images.roi.AssistedFreehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Line</code>
<code>images.roi.Circle</code>	<code>images.roi.Point</code>
<code>images.roi.Cuboid</code>	<code>images.roi.Polygon</code>
<code>images.roi.Ellipse</code>	<code>images.roi.Polyline</code>
<code>images.roi.Freehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Rectangle</code>

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

EventName — Name of event

character vector

Name of the event, specified as a character vector.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

 true

SetObservable

 true

SelectionType — Type of selection

character vector

Type of selection, specified as one of the following character vectors.

SelectionType Value	Description
'left'	Left mouse-click
'right'	Right mouse-click
'double'	Double-click
'shift'	Shift-left mouse-click
'ctrl'	Control-left mouse-click

Attributes:

GetAccess

 public

SetAccess

 private

GetObservable

 true

SetObservable

 true

SelectedPart — Part of ROI that was clicked

character vector

Part of the ROI that was clicked, specified as one of the character vectors in this table.

SelectedPart Value	Description
'edge'	Clicked edge of ROI.

SelectedPart Value	Description
'face'	Clicked face of ROI.
'label'	Clicked ROI label.
'marker'	Clicked marker used to reshape the ROI.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

CurrentSelected – ROI is currently selected

logical scalar

ROI is currently selected, specified as a logical scalar. Returns 1 when the ROI is selected, otherwise, 0. To deselect an ROI, use **Ctrl-click**.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

PreviousSelected – ROI was previously selected

logical scalar

ROI was previously selected, specified as a logical scalar. Returns 1 when the ROI was already selected and 0 when the ROI was not previously selected.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Examples

Access Event Data

This callback function gets the event source object handle, the event name, and other properties from the `images.roi.ROIClickedEventData` object passed to it when the event is triggered.

```
function myCallbk(s,evtData)
    eventSource = evtData.Source;
    eventName = evtData.EventName;
    selectionType = evtData.SelectionType;
    selectedPart = evtData.SelectedPart;
    currselected = evtData.CurrentSelected;
    prevselected = evtData.PreviousSelected;
end
```

See Also

`addlistener` | `images.roi.ROIMovingEventData` | `notify`

Topics

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2018b

images.roi.ROIMovingEventData class

Package: images.roi

Event data passed when ROI is moving

Description

The `images.roi.ROIMovingEventData` class is the class passed to listeners when a region-of-interest (ROI) is moving. When the ROI class triggers an event using the `notify handle` class method, MATLAB assigns values to the properties of an `images.roi.ROIMovingEventData` object and passes that object to the listener callback function (the event handler).

The `images.roi.ROIMovingEventData` class is a `handle` class.

Class Attributes

`ConstructOnLoad`

true

`HandleCompatible`

true

For information on class attributes, see “Class Attributes” (MATLAB).

Creation

The `notify handle` class method creates an `images.roi.ROIMovingEventData` object when called to trigger an event. `images.roi.ROIMovingEventData` does not accept input arguments. Subclasses of `event.EventData` cannot pass arguments to the superclass constructor.

Properties

Public Properties

Source — Event source

object

Event source, specified as a handle to the object that triggered the event.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

EventName — Name of event

character vector

Name of the event, specified as a character vector.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Data Types: char

PreviousPosition — Position before ROI moved

two-element numeric vector

Position before the ROI moved, specified as a two-element numeric vector of the form [x y].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Data Types: char

CurrentPosition — Position after ROI moved

two-element numeric vector

Position after the ROI moved, specified as a two-element numeric vector of the form [x y].

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

private

GetObservable

true

SetObservable

true

Data Types: char

Examples

Access Event Data

This callback function gets the event source object handle, the event name, and other properties from the `images.roi.ROIMovingEventData` object passed to it when the event is triggered.

```
function myCallbk(s,evtData)
    eventSource = evtData.Source;
    eventName = evtData.EventName;
    previousPosition = evtData.PreviousPosition;
    currentPosition = evtData.CurrentPosition;
end
```

See Also

`images.roi.AssistedFreehand` | `images.roi.Circle` | `images.roi.Ellipse` |
`images.roi.Freehand` | `images.roi.Line` | `images.roi.Point` |
`images.roi.Polygon` | `images.roi.Polyline` | `images.roi.Rectangle`

Introduced in R2018b

beginDrawingFromPoint

Package: images.roi

Begin drawing ROI from specified point

Syntax

```
beginDrawingFromPoint(ROI,[x y])  
beginDrawingFromPoint(ROI,[x y z])  
beginDrawingFromPoint(ROI,[x y z],s)  
beginDrawingFromPoint(ROI,[x y z],pos)
```

Description

`beginDrawingFromPoint(ROI,[x y])` enters interactive mode to draw the shape for object ROI. The drawing starts at location (x,y) in the axes. This method is intended to be used within the `ButtonDownFcn` callback of an `Image` or `Axes` object.

`beginDrawingFromPoint(ROI,[x y z])` enters interactive mode to draw a cuboidal ROI (`images.roi.Cuboid`). The drawing starts at location (x,y,z) in the axes.

`beginDrawingFromPoint(ROI,[x y z],s)` enters interactive mode to draw a cuboidal ROI (`images.roi.Cuboid`). The drawing starts at location (x,y,z) in the axes, snapping to the nearest location to the mouse from the `Scatter` object `s`.

`beginDrawingFromPoint(ROI,[x y z],pos)` enters interactive mode to draw a cuboidal ROI (`images.roi.Cuboid`). The drawing starts at location (x,y,z) in the axes, snapping to the nearest location to the mouse from the position specified by `pos`.

Examples

Draw Line ROI When Button Pressed

Create a new script called `sampleDrawLine.m`. Inside the script, copy and paste this code, then save the file.

```
hIm = imshow(imread('coins.png'));
hIm.ButtonDownFcn = @(~,~) buttonPressedCallback(hIm.Parent);

function buttonPressedCallback(hAx)
    cp = hAx.CurrentPoint;
    cp = [cp(1,1) cp(1,2)];
    obj = images.roi.Line('Parent',hAx,'Color',rand([1,3]));
    beginDrawingFromPoint(obj,cp);
end
```

Return to the MATLAB command window. Run the script by entering the command:

```
sampleDrawLine
```

The code opens a figure window containing an image of coins. Each time you click the mouse over the figure, the script executes the callback function, `buttonPressedCallback`. The callback function begins drawing a new ROI starting from the pixel you clicked.

Draw Cuboid ROI When Button Pressed

In the editor, open a file called `cuboidExample.m`. Copy and paste this code into the file and then save it.

```
function cuboidExample
    [x,y,z] = sphere(16);
    X = [x(:)*.5 x(:)*.75 x(:)];
    Y = [y(:)*.5 y(:)*.75 y(:)];
    Z = [z(:)*.5 z(:)*.75 z(:)];

    % Specify the size and color of each marker.
    S = repmat([1 .75 .5]*10,numel(x),1);
    C = repmat([1 2 3],numel(x),1);

    % Create a 3-D scatter plot
    figure
    hScatter = scatter3(X(:),Y(:),Z(:),S(:),C(:),'filled');
```

```
view(-60,60);

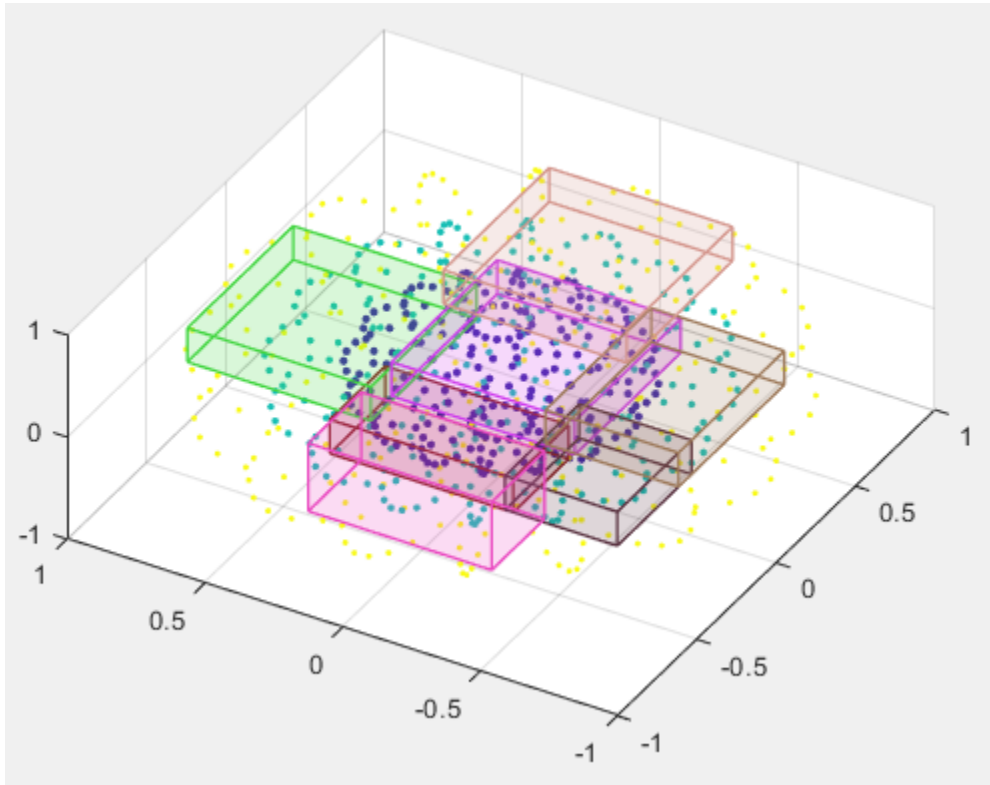
% Begin drawing cuboids when a scatter
% point is clicked
hScatter.ButtonDownFcn = @(~,~) buttonPressedCallback(hScatter.Parent);

function buttonPressedCallback(hAx)
    cp = hAx.CurrentPoint;
    cp = cp(1,1:3);
    obj = images.roi.Cuboid('Parent',hAx,'Color',rand([1,3]));
    obj.beginDrawingFromPoint(cp);
end
end
```

Return to the MATLAB command window and run the function by entering the command:

```
cuboidExample
```

The code opens a figure window containing a scatter plot. Each time you click the mouse over the scatter plot, the function executes the callback function, `buttonPressedCallback`, and draws a new cuboidal ROI at the pixel you clicked.



Input Arguments

ROI — Region of interest

ROI object

Region of interest, specified as an ROI object of one of the following types:

<code>images.roi.AssistedFreehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Line</code>
<code>images.roi.Circle</code>	<code>images.roi.Point</code>
<code>images.roi.Cuboid</code>	<code>images.roi.Polygon</code>
<code>images.roi.Ellipse</code>	<code>images.roi.Polyline</code>

<code>images.roi.Freehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Rectangle</code>
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[x y] — Starting point in axes

numeric array

Starting point in the axes, specified as a numeric array.

[x y z] — Starting point in 3-D axes

numeric array

Starting point in 3-D axes, specified as a numeric array.

s — Scatter plot

Scatter object

Scatter plot, specified as a `matlab.graphics.chart.primitive.Scatter` object.

pos — Starting point in 3-D axes

N-by-3 numeric array

Starting point in 3-D axes, specified as an *N*-by-3 numeric array. Each row in `pos` represents a 3-D spatial location of a potential placement position.

See Also

`draw` | `drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle`

Introduced in R2018b

bringToFront

Class: images.roi.AssistedFreehand, images.roi.Circle, images.roi.Ellipse, images.roi.Freehand, images.roi.Line, images.roi.Point, images.roi.Polygon, images.roi.Polyline, images.roi.Rectangle

Package: images.roi

Bring ROI to the front of the Axes stacking order

Syntax

```
bringToFront(ROI)
```

Description

`bringToFront(ROI)` moves the specified ROI to the front of the front-to-back visual stacking order of Axes children.

Use the `bringToFront` method when you want to bring a single ROI to the front of the visual stacking order. For other restacking behaviors, use the `uistack` function.

Examples

Change Stacking Order of ROIs

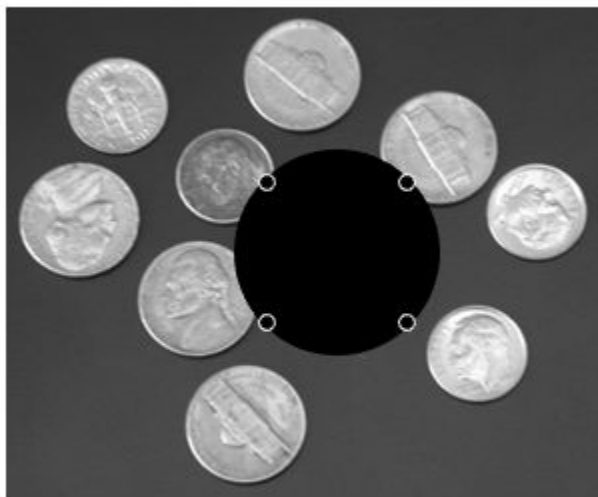
Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('coins.png');  
imshow(I)
```



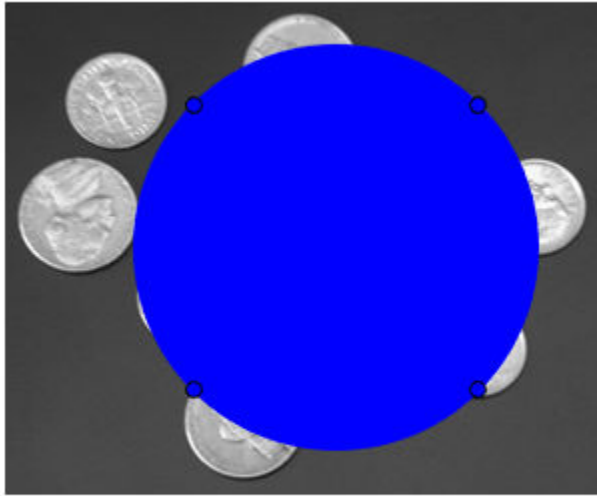
Create a circular ROI on the image, specifying where you want to place the circle and how wide to make the circle. To make it easy to see the changes to the stacking order, make the ROI opaque and specify the color black.

```
roi = images.roi.Circle(gca, 'Center', [166 123], 'Radius', 50);  
roi.FaceAlpha = 1.0;  
roi.Color = 'black';
```



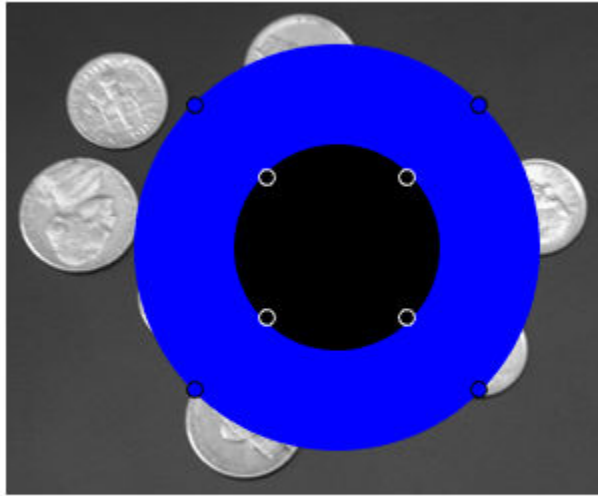
Create another circular ROI, specifying the same center point but make this ROI bigger. Again, to make the stacking order easy to see, make the ROI opaque and specify a different color, in this case, blue. This new ROI completely covers the first ROI.

```
roi2 = images.roi.Circle(gca, 'Center', [166 123], 'Radius', 100);  
roi2.FaceAlpha = 1.0;  
roi2.Color = 'blue';
```



Bring the original ROI to the front by using the `bringToFront` function.

```
bringToFront(roi)
```



Input Arguments

ROI — Region of interest

ROI object

Region of interest, specified as an ROI object of one of the following types:

<code>images.roi.AssistedFreehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Line</code>
<code>images.roi.Circle</code>	<code>images.roi.Point</code>
<code>images.roi.Cuboid</code>	<code>images.roi.Polygon</code>
<code>images.roi.Ellipse</code>	<code>images.roi.Polyline</code>
<code>images.roi.Freehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Rectangle</code>

See Also

`draw` | `drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `uistack`

Topics

“ROI Creation Overview”

Introduced in R2019a

createMask

Package: images.roi

Create binary mask image from ROI

Syntax

```
bw = createMask(ROI)
bw = createMask(ROI,m,n)
bw = createMask(ROI,I)
```

Description

`bw = createMask(ROI)` returns a binary mask image with pixels inside the ROI set to `true` and pixels outside the ROI set to `false`.

`bw = createMask(ROI,m,n)` returns a binary mask image that is size `[m,n]`.

`bw = createMask(ROI,I)` returns a binary mask image that is the size of the image `I`.

Examples

Create Mask From Ellipse ROI

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('pears.png');
imshow(I)
```



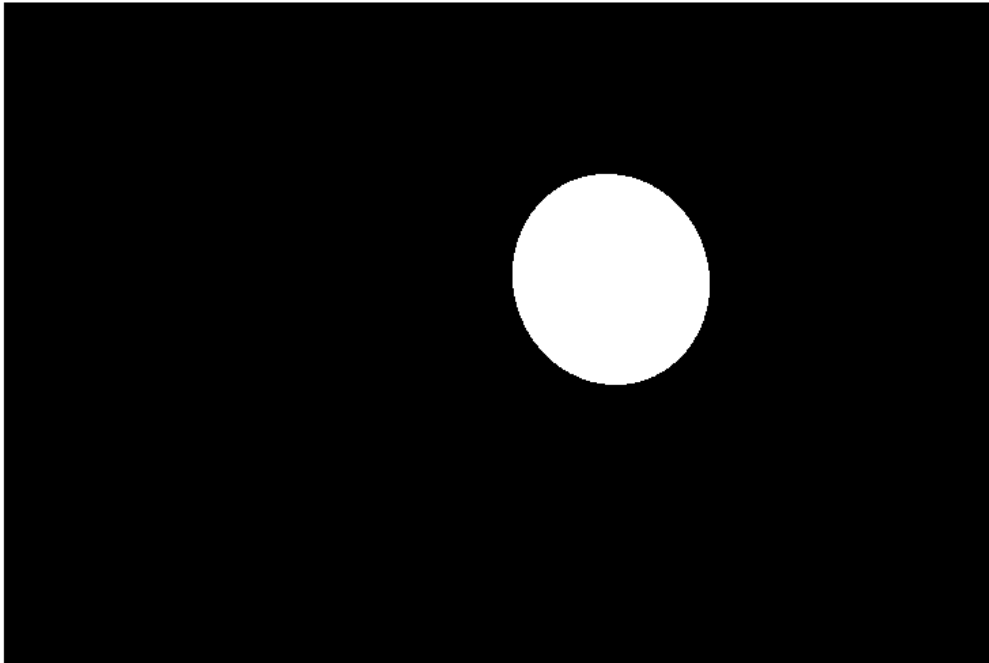
Draw an elliptical ROI on the image, using the `Center` parameter to specify the location of the ellipse and the `SemiAxes` parameter to specify the shape of the ellipse. The example also specifies that the edge of the ellipse is a striped line.

```
h = drawellipse('Center',[447 204],'SemiAxes',[78 72], ...  
               'RotationAngle',287,'StripeColor','m');
```



Get a binary mask from the ROI. Pixels inside the ROI are `true` and pixels outside the ROI are `false`. Display the mask.

```
mask = createMask(h);  
imshow(mask)
```



Input Arguments

ROI — Region of interest

ROI object

Region of interest, specified as an ROI object of one of the following types:

<code>images.roi.AssistedFreehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Freehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Polyline</code>
<code>images.roi.Circle</code>	<code>images.roi.Line</code>	<code>images.roi.Rectangle</code>
<code>images.roi.Ellipse</code>	<code>images.roi.Polygon</code>	

m — Row dimension of mask image

positive integer

Row dimension of the mask image, specified as a positive integer.

n — Column dimension of mask image

positive integer

Column dimension of the mask image, specified as a positive integer.

I — Input image

numeric array

Input image, specified as a numeric array.

Output Arguments

bw — Binary mask image

logical array

Binary mask image, returned as a logical array.

Data Types: `logical`

Tips

- If you specify a mask size that does not match the size of the image associated with the ROI object, then `createMask` crops or zero-pads the mask to the specified size. The image associated with the ROI object is `ROI.Parent.Children(2,1).CData`.

See Also

`drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle` | `inROI`

Introduced in R2018b

draw

Package: `images.roi`

Begin drawing ROI interactively

Syntax

```
draw(ROI)
draw(ROI, s)
draw(ROI, pos)
```

Description

`draw(ROI)` enters interactive mode to draw the shape for object `ROI` in the current axes (`gca`).

`draw(ROI, s)` enters interactive mode to draw the shape for an `images.roi.Cuboid` object, snapping the ROI to the nearest location to the mouse from the `Scatter` object `s`.

`draw(ROI, pos)` enters interactive mode to draw the shape for the `images.roi.Cuboid` object, snapping to the nearest location to the mouse from the position specified by `pos`. Specify `pos` as an N -by-3 numeric array where each row represents the (x,y,z) location of a potential placement position.

Examples

Draw ROI Interactively

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('wagon.jpg');
figure
imshow(I);
```



Draw a triangular ROI on the image interactively. To improve the visibility of the ROI edge, specify a thick line width and bright cyan color of the ROI edge.

```
p = drawpolygon('LineWidth',7,'Color','cyan');
```




Get the coordinates of the vertices.

```
p.Position
```

```
ans =
```

```
284.7500 725.5000  
331.2500 871.0000  
359.7500 707.5000
```

The spokes of the wheels define many other triangles. Suppose you want to get the vertices of a second triangle. You can use the `draw` function to start over and begin drawing a new polygonal ROI interactively. The line width and color parameters of the ROI are preserved.

```
draw(p)
```



p.Position

ans =

```
398.7500  710.5000
377.7500  865.0000
461.7500  734.5000
```

Input Arguments

ROI — Region of interest

ROI object

Region of interest, specified as an ROI object of one of the following types:

<code>images.roi.AssistedFreehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Line</code>
<code>images.roi.Circle</code>	<code>images.roi.Point</code>
<code>images.roi.Cuboid</code>	<code>images.roi.Polygon</code>
<code>images.roi.Ellipse</code>	<code>images.roi.Polyline</code>
<code>images.roi.Freehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Rectangle</code>

s — Scatter plot

Scatter object

Scatter plot, specified as a `matlab.graphics.chart.primitive.Scatter` object.

pos — Position of ROI

N-by-3 numeric array

Position of ROI, specified as an *N*-by-3 numeric array where each row represents the (*x,y,z*) location of a potential placement position.

See Also

`beginDrawingFromPoint` | `drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawline` | `drawpoint` | `drawpolygon` | `drawpolyline` | `drawrectangle`

Introduced in R2018b

inROI

Package: images.roi

Query if points are located in ROI

Syntax

```
tf = inROI(ROI,x,y)
tf = inROI(ROI,x,y,z)
```

Description

`tf = inROI(ROI,x,y)` returns a logical array, `tf`, that indicates whether points with coordinates (x,y) are inside or outside the ROI.

`tf = inROI(ROI,x,y,z)` returns a logical array, `tf`, that indicates whether points with coordinates (x,y,z) are inside or outside the `images.roi.Cuboid` ROI.

Examples

Query Points Inside Rectangular ROI

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('trailer.jpg');
figure
imshow(I)
```

Draw a rectangular ROI on the image, using the `Position` argument to specify the position of the rectangle as `[xmin,ymin,width,height]`.

```
h = drawrectangle('Position',[190 308 682 276],'StripeColor','r');
```



Specify the x - and y -coordinates of three points. The last point is the upper left corner of the rectangular ROI.

```
xcoords = [335 335 190];  
ycoords = [200 400 308];
```

Query if the three points are inside the ROI.

```
tf = inROI(h,xcoords,ycoords)
```

tf = 3x1 logical array

```
0  
1  
1
```

Input Arguments

ROI — Region of interest

ROI object

Region of interest, specified as an ROI object of one of the following types:

<code>images.roi.AssistedFreehand</code>	<code>images.roi.Freehand</code>
<code>images.roi.Circle</code>	<code>images.roi.Polygon</code>
<code>images.roi.Cuboid</code>	<code>images.roi.Rectangle</code>
<code>images.roi.Ellipse</code>	

x — X-coordinates of query points

numeric scalar or vector

X-coordinates of the query points, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

y — Y-coordinates of query points

numeric scalar or vector

Y-coordinates of the query points, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

z — Z-coordinates of query points

numeric scalar or vector

Y-coordinates of the query points, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

Output Arguments

tf — Status of query points

logical array

Status of query points, returned as a logical array. The array is the same length as the input arrays `x`, `y`, and `z`. Elements of the logical array set to `true` indicate that the corresponding query point is inside the ROI. Elements that are `false` indicate the point is not inside the ROI.

See Also

`createMask` | `drawassisted` | `drawcircle` | `drawcuboid` | `drawellipse` | `drawfreehand` | `drawpolygon` | `drawrectangle`

Introduced in R2018b

imapplymatrix

Linear combination of color channels

Syntax

```
Y = imapplymatrix(M,X)
Y = imapplymatrix(M,X,C)
Y = imapplymatrix( ____,output_type)
```

Description

`Y = imapplymatrix(M,X)` computes the linear combination of the rows of `M` with the color channels of `X`.

`Y = imapplymatrix(M,X,C)` computes the linear combination of the rows of `M` with the color channels of `X`, adding the corresponding constant value `C` to each combination.

`Y = imapplymatrix(____,output_type)` returns the result of the linear combination in an array of type `output_type`.

Examples

Compute Linear Combination of Color Channels

This example shows how to create a grayscale image by computing the linear combination of three colors channels.

Read a truecolor image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('peppers.png');
```

Create a coefficient matrix

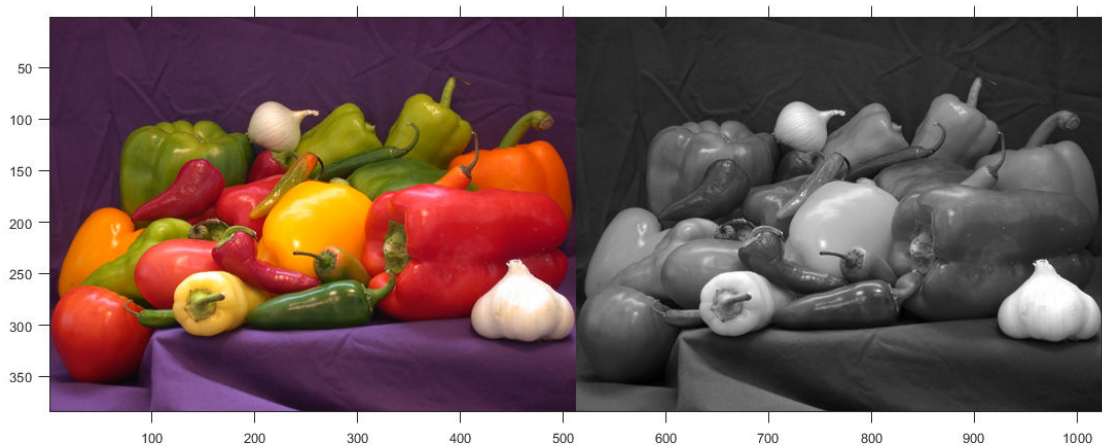
```
M = [0.30, 0.59, 0.11];
```

Compute the linear combination of the RGB channels using the coefficient matrix.

```
gray = imapplymatrix(M, RGB);
```

Display the original image and the grayscale conversion.

```
imshowpair(RGB,gray,'montage')
```



Input Arguments

M — Weighting coefficients for each color channel

q-by-*p* numeric array

Weighting coefficients for each color channel, specified as a *q*-by-*p* numeric array. *p* is the length of the third dimension of *X*. In other words, $p = \text{size}(X, 3)$. *q* is in the range $[1, p]$.

Data Types: double

X — Input image

m-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array

Input image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array.

C — Constant to add to each channel

q-element numeric vector

Constant to add to each channel during the linear combination, specified as *q*-element numeric vector, where *q* is the number of rows in *M*.

Data Types: double

output_type — Output data type

'double' | 'single' | 'uint8' | 'uint16' | 'uint32' | 'int8' | 'int16' | 'int32'

Output data type, specified as one of the following: 'double', 'single', 'uint8', 'uint16', 'uint32', 'int8', 'int16', or 'int32'.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

Y — Output image

numeric array

Output image comprised of the linear combination of the rows of *M* with the color channels of *X*, returned as a numeric array. If `output_type` is not specified, the data type of *Y* is the same as the data type of *X*.

See Also

`imlincomb` | `immultiply`

Introduced in R2011b

imattributes

Information about image attributes

Syntax

```
attrs = imattributes
attrs = imattributes(img)
attrs = imattributes(imgmodel)
```

Description

`attrs = imattributes` returns information about an image in the current figure. If the current figure does not contain an image, then `imattributes` returns an empty array.

`attrs = imattributes(img)` returns information about the image specified by image object `img`. The `imattributes` function gets the image attributes by querying the image object's `CData`.

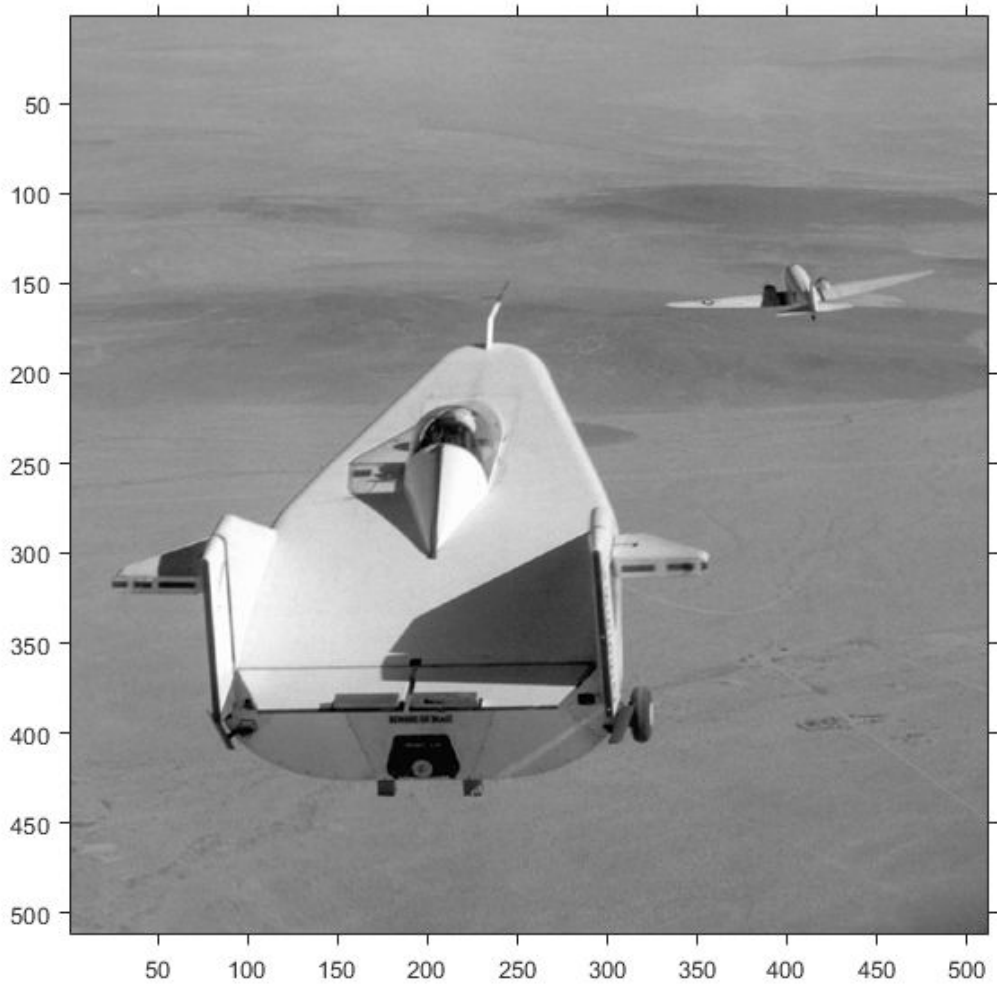
`attrs = imattributes(imgmodel)` returns information about the image represented by the image model object, `imgmodel`.

Examples

Retrieve Attributes of Grayscale Image

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
h = imshow('liftingbody.png');
```



Get the image attributes.

```
attrs = imattributes(h)
```

```
attrs = 6x2 cell array  
    {'Width (columns)' }    {'512' }
```

```
{'Height (rows)'    } {'512'    }  
{'Class'           } {'uint8'  }  
{'Image type'      } {'intensity'}  
{'Minimum intensity'} {'0'      }  
{'Maximum intensity'} {'255'    }
```

Retrieve Attributes of Truecolor Image

```
h = imshow('gantrycrane.png');
```



```
im = imagemodel(h);  
attrs = imattributes(im)  
  
attrs = 4x2 cell array  
    {'Width (columns)'}    {'400'    }
```

```
{'Height (rows)' } {'264' }  
{'Class' } {'uint8' }  
{'Image type' } {'truecolor' }
```

Input Arguments

img — Image

image object

Image, specified as an image object.

imgmodel — Image model

imagemodel object

Image model, specified as an `imagemodel` object.

Output Arguments

attrs — Image attributes

cell array of character vectors

Image attributes, returned as a cell array of character vectors. The cell array has size 4-by-2 for binary and truecolor images and size 6-by-2 for grayscale (intensity) and indexed images. The first column of the cell array contains the name of the attribute. The second column contains the value of the attribute.

The table lists these attributes in the order they appear in the cell array.

Attribute Name	Value
'Width (columns)'	Number of columns in the image.
'Height (rows)'	Number of rows in the image.
'Class'	Data type used by the image, such as <code>uint8</code> .
'Image type'	One of the image types identified by the Image Processing Toolbox software: 'intensity', 'truecolor', 'binary', or 'indexed'.

Attribute Name	Value
'Minimum intensity'	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For intensity images, this value represents the lowest intensity value of any pixel.• For indexed images, this value represents the lowest index value into a color map. <p>This attribute is not included for 'binary' or 'truecolor' images.</p>
'Maximum intensity'	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• For intensity images, this value represents the highest intensity value of any pixel.• For indexed images, this value represents the highest index value into a color map. <p>This attribute is not included for 'binary' or 'truecolor' images.</p>

See Also

imagemodel

Introduced before R2006a

imblatfilt

Bilateral filtering of images with Gaussian kernels

Syntax

```
J = imblatfilt(I)
J = imblatfilt(I,degreeOfSmoothing)
J = imblatfilt(I,degreeOfSmoothing,spatialSigma)
J = imblatfilt( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`J = imblatfilt(I)` applies an edge-preserving Gaussian bilateral filter to the grayscale or RGB image, `I`.

`J = imblatfilt(I,degreeOfSmoothing)` specifies the amount of smoothing. When `degreeOfSmoothing` is a small value, `imblatfilt` smooths neighborhoods with small variance (uniform areas) but does not smooth neighborhoods with large variance, such as strong edges. When the value of `degreeOfSmoothing` increases, `imblatfilt` smooths both uniform areas and neighborhoods with larger variance.

`J = imblatfilt(I,degreeOfSmoothing,spatialSigma)` also specifies the standard deviation, `spatialSigma`, of the spatial Gaussian smoothing kernel. Larger values of `spatialSigma` increase the contribution of more distant neighboring pixels, effectively increasing the neighborhood size.

`J = imblatfilt(____,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to change the behavior of the bilateral filter.

Examples

Smooth Grayscale Image Using Bilateral Filtering

Read and display a grayscale image. Observe the horizontal striation artifact in the sky region.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
imshow(I)
```



Inspect a patch of the image from the sky region. Compute the variance of the patch, which approximates the variance of the noise.

```
patch = imcrop(I,[170, 35, 50 50]);  
imshow(patch)
```



```
patchVar = std2(patch)^2;
```

Filter the image using bilateral filtering. Set the degree of smoothing to be larger than the variance of the noise.

```
DoS = 2*patchVar;  
J = imbilatfilt(I,DoS);  
imshow(J)  
title(['Degree of Smoothing: ',num2str(DoS)])
```

Degree of Smoothing: 51.9395



The striation artifact is reduced, but not eliminated. To improve the smoothing, increase the value of `spatialSigma` to 2 so that distant neighboring pixels contribute more to the Gaussian smoothing kernel. This effectively increases the spatial extent of the bilateral filter.

```
K = imblatfilt(I,DoS,2);  
imshow(K)  
title(['Degree of Smoothing: ',num2str(DoS),', Spatial Sigma: 2'])
```

Degree of Smoothing: 51.9395, Spatial Sigma: 2



The stration artifact in the sky is successfully removed. The sharpness of strong edges such as the silhouette of the man, and textured regions such as the grass in the foreground of the image, have been preserved.

Smooth Color Image Using Bilateral Filtering

Read an RGB image.

```
imRGB = imread('coloredChips.png');  
imshow(imRGB)
```



Convert the image to the L^*a^*b colorspace, so that the bilateral filter smooths perceptually similar colors.

```
imLAB = rgb2lab(imRGB);
```

Extract an L^*a^*b patch that contains no sharp edges. Compute the variance in the Euclidean distance from the origin, in the L^*a^*b space.

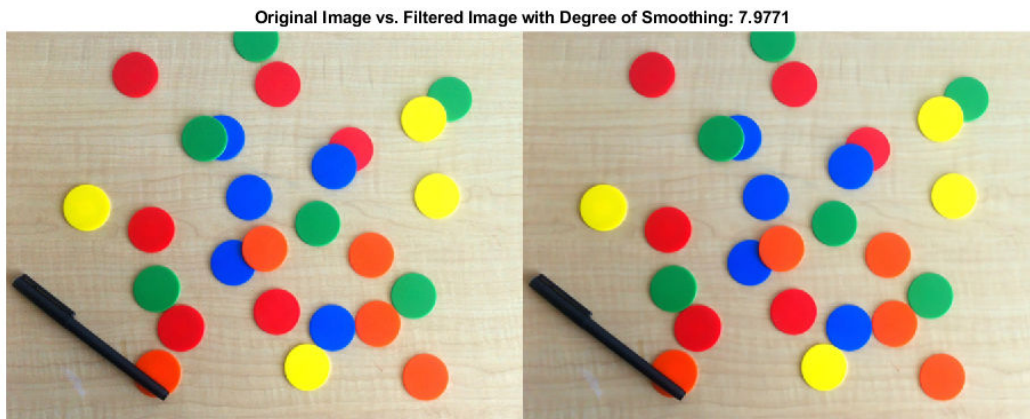
```
patch = imcrop(imLAB,[34,71,60,55]);  
patchSq = patch.^2;  
edist = sqrt(sum(patchSq,3));  
patchVar = std2(edist).^2;
```

Filter the image in the L*a*b* color space using bilateral filtering. Set the DegreeOfSmoothing value to be higher than the variance of the patch.

```
DoS = 2*patchVar;  
smoothedLAB = imbilatfilt(imLAB,DoS);
```

Convert the image back to the RGB color space, and display the smoothed image.

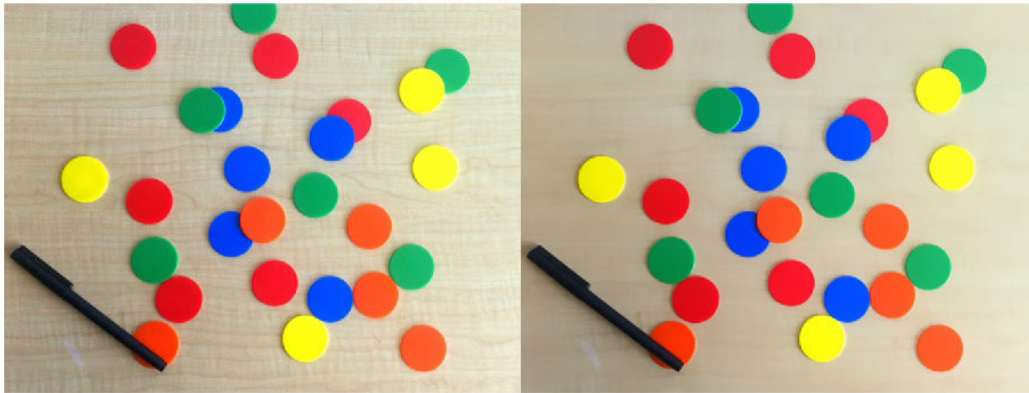
```
smoothedRGB = lab2rgb(smoothedLAB,'Out','uint8');  
montage({imRGB,smoothedRGB})  
title(['Original Image vs. Filtered Image with Degree of Smoothing: ',num2str(DoS)])
```



The colors of the chips and black pen appear more uniform, but the horizontal grains in the table are still visible. Increase the spatial extent of the filter so that the effective neighborhood of the filter spans the space between the horizontal grains (this distance is approximately seven pixels). Also increase the DegreeOfSmoothing to smooth these regions more aggressively.

```
DoS2 = 4*patchVar;  
smoothedLAB2 = imbilatfilt(imLAB,DoS2,7);  
smoothedRGB2 = lab2rgb(smoothedLAB2,'Out','uint8');  
montage({imRGB,smoothedRGB2})  
title(['Original Image vs. Filtered Image with Degree of Smoothing: ',num2str(DoS),' and ',num2str(DoS2)])
```


Original Image vs. Filtered Image with Degree of Smoothing: 7.9771 and Spatial Sigma: 7



The color of the wooden table is more uniform with the larger neighborhood and larger degree of smoothing. The edge sharpness of the chips and pen is preserved.

Input Arguments

I — Image to filter

2-D grayscale image | 2-D color image

Image to filter, specified as a 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n or a 2-D color image of size m -by- n -by-3.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

degreeOfSmoothing — Degree of smoothing

positive number

Degree of smoothing, specified as a positive number. The default value of `degreeOfSmoothing` depends on the data type of image **I**, and is calculated as $0.01 * \text{diff}(\text{getrangefromclass}(\mathbf{I})) .^2$. For example, the default degree of smoothing is 650.25 for images of data type `uint8`, and the default is 0.01 for images of data type `double` with pixel values in the range [0, 1].

spatialSigma — Standard deviation of spatial Gaussian smoothing kernel

1 (default) | positive number

Standard deviation of spatial Gaussian smoothing kernel, specified as a positive number.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `imblatfilt(I, 'NeighborhoodSize', 7)` performs bilateral filtering on image `I` using a 7-by-7 pixel neighborhood.

NeighborhoodSize — Neighborhood size

odd-valued positive integer

Neighborhood size, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'NeighborhoodSize'` and an odd-valued positive integer. By default, the neighborhood size is $2 * \text{ceil}(2 * \text{SpatialSigma}) + 1$ pixels

Example: `'NeighborhoodSize', 7`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Padding — Padding`'replicate'` (default) | `'symmetric'` | numeric scalar

Padding, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Padding'` and one of these values.

Value	Description
<code>'replicate'</code>	Input array values outside the bounds of the array are assumed to equal the nearest array border value.
<code>'symmetric'</code>	Input array values outside the bounds of the array are computed by mirror-reflecting the array across the array border.

Value	Description
numeric scalar, x	Input image values outside the bounds of the image are assigned the value x .

Example: 'Padding', 'symmetric'

Example: 'Padding', 128

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | char | string

Output Arguments

J — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array of the same size and data type as the input image, I.

Tips

- The value of `degreeOfSmoothing` corresponds to the variance of the Range Gaussian kernel of the bilateral filter [1]. The Range Gaussian is applied on the Euclidean distance of a pixel value from the values of its neighbors.
- To smooth perceptually close colors of an RGB image, convert the image to the CIE L*a*b space using `rgb2lab` before applying the bilateral filter. To view the results, convert the filtered image to RGB using `lab2rgb`.
- Increasing `spatialSigma` increases `NeighborhoodSize`, which increases the filter execution time. You can specify a smaller `NeighborhoodSize` to trade accuracy for faster execution time.

References

- [1] Tomasi, C., and R. Manduchi. "Bilateral Filtering for Gray and Color Images". *Proceedings of the 1998 IEEE® International Conference on Computer Vision*. Bombay, India. Jan 1998, pp. 836-846.

See Also

`imdiffusefilt` | `imfilter` | `imgaussfilt` | `imguidedfilter` | `imnlmfilt` |
`locallapfilt` | `nlfilter`

Introduced in R2018a

imbinarize

Binarize 2-D grayscale image or 3-D volume by thresholding

Syntax

```
BW = imbinarize(I)
BW = imbinarize(I,method)
BW = imbinarize(I,T)
BW = imbinarize(I,'adaptive',Name,Value)
```

Description

`BW = imbinarize(I)` creates a binary image from 2-D or 3-D grayscale image `I` by replacing all values above a globally determined threshold with 1s and setting all other values to 0s. By default, `imbinarize` uses Otsu's method, which chooses the threshold value to minimize the intraclass variance of the thresholded black and white pixels [1]. `imbinarize` uses a 256-bin image histogram to compute Otsu's threshold. To use a different histogram, see `otsuthresh`.

`BW = imbinarize(I,method)` creates a binary image from image `I` using the thresholding method specified by `method`: 'global' or 'adaptive'.

`BW = imbinarize(I,T)` creates a binary image from image `I` using the threshold value `T`. `T` can be a global image threshold, specified as a scalar luminance value, or a locally adaptive threshold, specified as a matrix of luminance values.

`BW = imbinarize(I,'adaptive',Name,Value)` creates a binary image from image `I` using name-value pairs to control aspects of adaptive thresholding.

Examples

Binarize Image Using Global Threshold

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

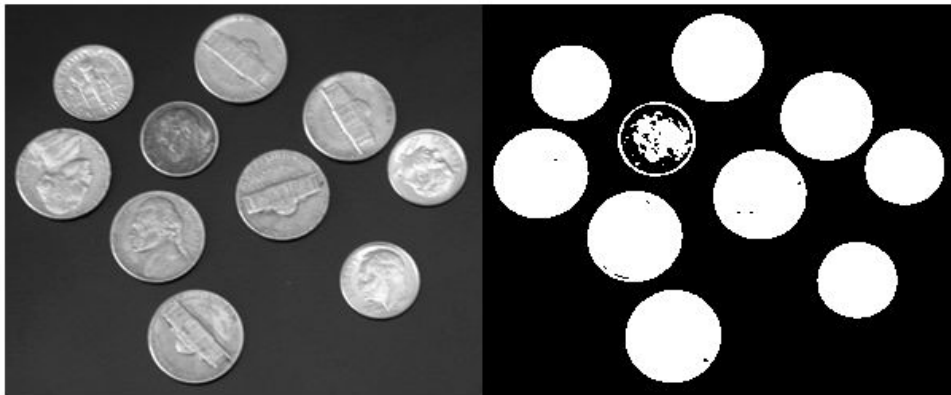
```
I = imread('coins.png');
```

Convert the image into a binary image.

```
BW = imbinarize(I);
```

Display the original image next to the binary version.

```
figure  
imshowpair(I,BW,'montage')
```



Binarize Image Using Locally Adaptive Thresholding

Read grayscale image into workspace.

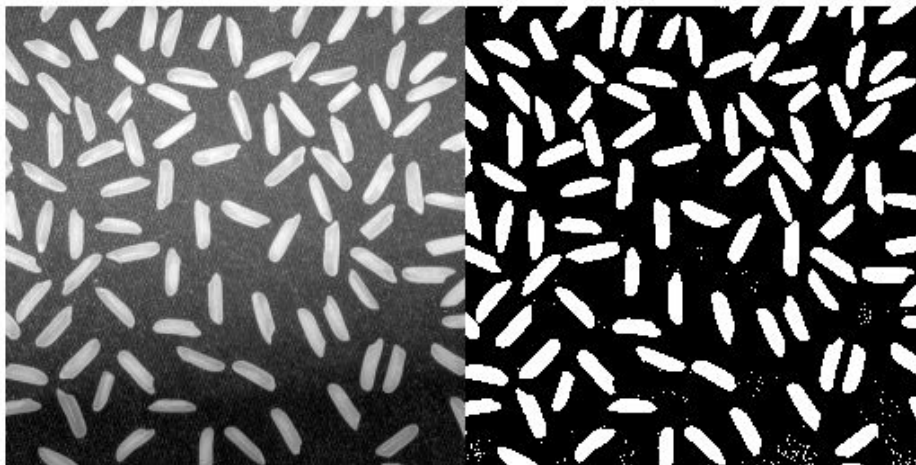
```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Convert grayscale image to binary image.

```
BW = imbinarize(I, 'adaptive');
```

Display original image along side binary version.

```
figure  
imshowpair(I,BW,'montage')
```

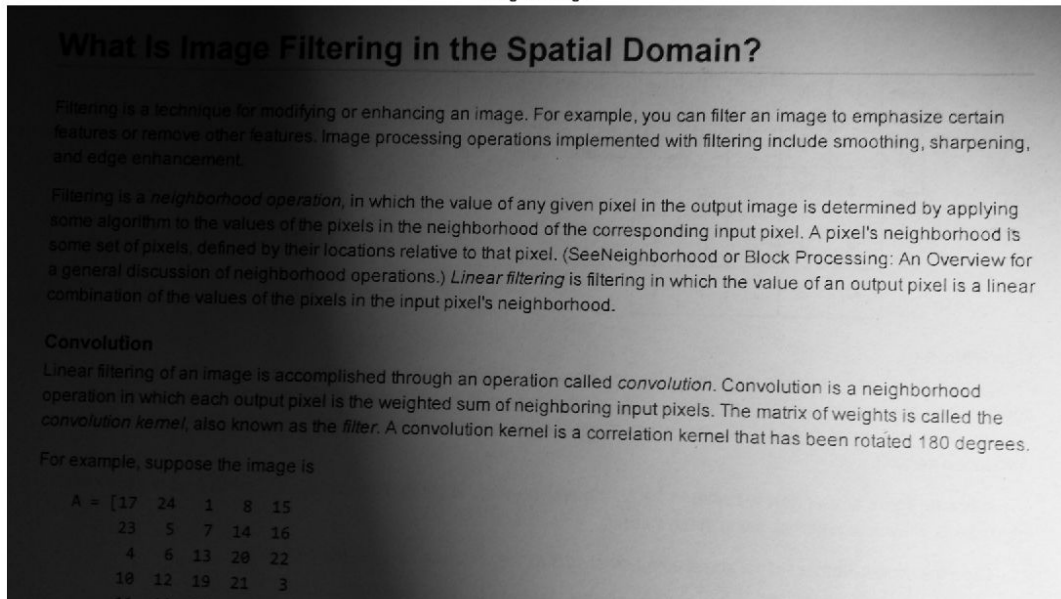


Binarize Images with Darker Foreground Than Background

Read a grayscale image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('printedtext.png');  
figure  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Convert the image to a binary image using adaptive thresholding. Use the `ForegroundPolarity` parameter to indicate that the foreground is darker than the background.

```
BW = imbinarize(I, 'adaptive', 'ForegroundPolarity', 'dark', 'Sensitivity', 0.4);
```

Display the binary version of the image.

```
figure  
imshow(BW)  
title('Binary Version of Image')
```


Binary Version of Image

What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?

Filtering is a technique for modifying or enhancing an image. For example, you can filter an image to emphasize certain features or remove other features. Image processing operations implemented with filtering include smoothing, sharpening, and edge enhancement.

Filtering is a neighborhood operation, in which the value of any given pixel in the output image is determined by applying some algorithm to the values of the pixels in the neighborhood of the corresponding input pixel. A pixel's neighborhood is some set of pixels, defined by their locations relative to that pixel. (See Neighborhood or Block Processing: An Overview for a general discussion of neighborhood operations.) Linear filtering is filtering in which the value of an output pixel is a linear combination of the values of the pixels in the input pixel's neighborhood.

Convolution

Linear filtering of an image is accomplished through an operation called convolution. Convolution is a neighborhood operation in which each output pixel is the weighted sum of neighboring input pixels. The matrix of weights is called the convolution kernel, also known as the filter. A convolution kernel is a correlation kernel that has been rotated 180 degrees.

For example, suppose the image is

```
A = [17 24 1 8 15
      23 5 7 14 16
      4 6 13 20 22
      10 12 19 21 3
      11 10 22 1 1]
```

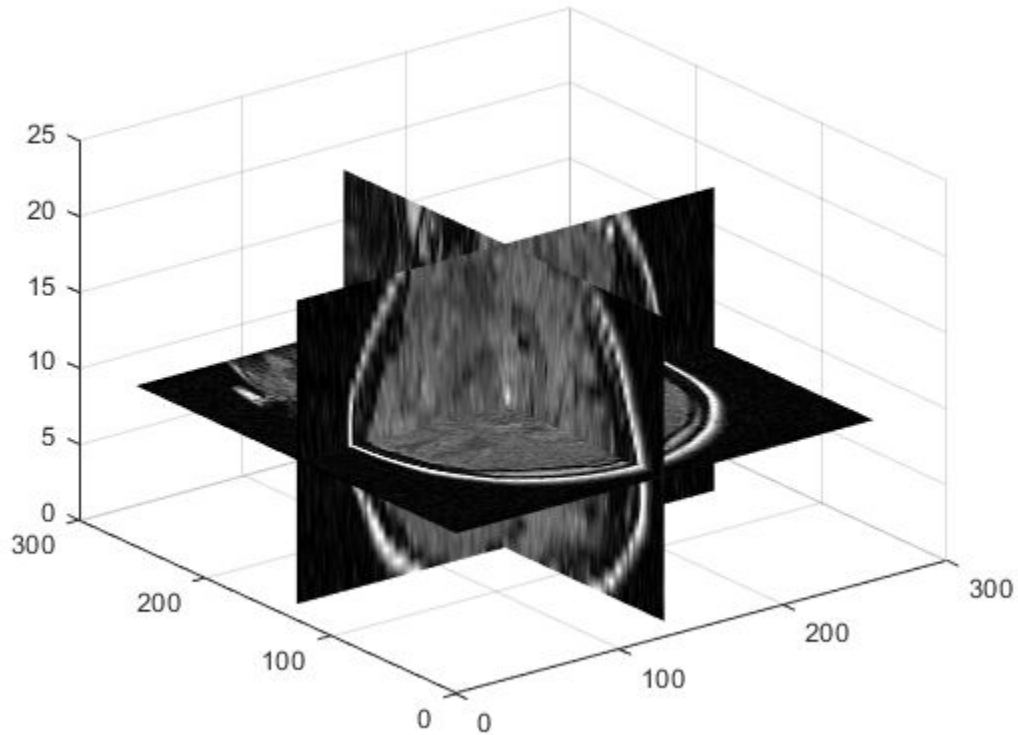
Binarize 3-D Volume Using Global Thresholding

Load 3-D grayscale intensity data into the workspace.

```
load mrystack;
V = mrystack;
```

View the 3-D volume.

```
figure
slice(double(V), size(V,2)/2, size(V,1)/2, size(V,3)/2)
colormap gray
shading interp
```

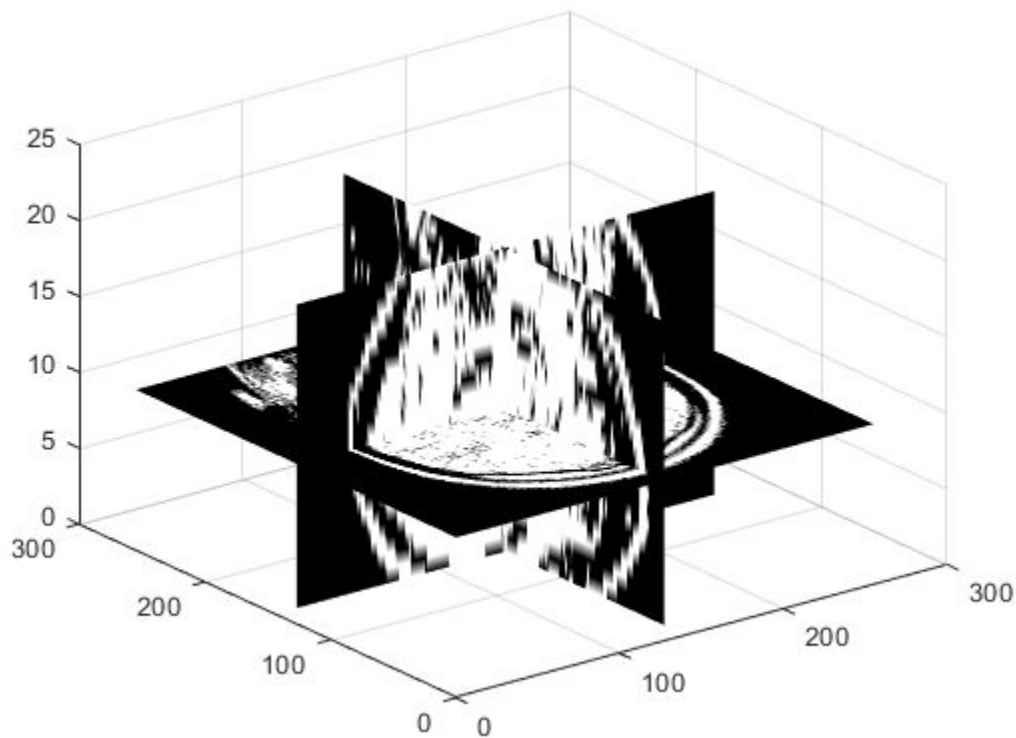


Convert the intensity volume into a 3-D binary volume.

```
J = imbinarize(V);
```

View the 3-D binary volume.

```
figure  
slice(double(J),size(J,2)/2,size(J,1)/2,size(J,3)/2)  
colormap gray  
shading interp
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 3-D grayscale volume

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale image or a 3-D grayscale volume. `imbinarize` expects pixel values of data type `double` and `single` to be in the range `[0, 1]`. You can use the `rescale` function to adjust pixel values to the expected range.

Note `imbinarize` interprets an RGB image as a volumetric grayscale image and does not binarize each channel separately. To produce a binary image from an RGB image, first convert the image to a grayscale image using `rgb2gray`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

method — Method used to binarize image

'global' (default) | 'adaptive'

Method used to binarize image, specified as one of the following values.

Values	Meaning
'global'	Calculate global image threshold using Otsu's method. See <code>graythresh</code> for more information about Otsu's method.
'adaptive'	Calculate locally adaptive image threshold chosen using local first-order image statistics around each pixel. See <code>adaptthresh</code> for details. If the image contains <code>Inf</code> s or <code>NaN</code> s, the behavior of <code>imbinarize</code> for the 'adaptive' method is undefined. Propagation of <code>Inf</code> s or <code>NaN</code> s might not be localized to the neighborhood around <code>Inf</code> and <code>NaN</code> pixels.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

T — Threshold

numeric scalar | numeric array

Threshold luminance value, specified as a numeric scalar or numeric array with values in the range [0, 1].

- If `T` is a numeric scalar, then `imbinarize` interprets `T` as a global image threshold. Use `graythresh` or `otsuthresh` to compute a global image threshold.
- If `T` is a numeric array, then `imbinarize` interprets `T` as a locally adaptive threshold. Use `adaptthresh` to compute a locally adaptive threshold.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes.

You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN.

Example: `BW = imbinarize(I,'adaptive','Sensitivity',0.4);`

Sensitivity – Sensitivity factor for adaptive thresholding

0.50 (default) | number in the range [0, 1]

Sensitivity factor for adaptive thresholding, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Sensitivity' and a number in the range [0, 1]. A high sensitivity value leads to thresholding more pixels as foreground, at the risk of including some background pixels.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

ForegroundPolarity – Determine which pixels are considered foreground pixels

'bright' (default) | 'dark'

Determine which pixels are considered foreground pixels for adaptive thresholding, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ForegroundPolarity' and one of the following values.

Value	Meaning
'bright'	The foreground is brighter than the background.
'dark'	The foreground is darker than the background

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

BW – Output binary image

logical matrix | logical array

Output binary image, returned as a logical matrix or logical array of the same size as I.

Data Types: `logical`

Tips

- To produce a binary image from an indexed image, first convert the image to a grayscale image using `ind2gray`.

Algorithms

The 'adaptive' method binarizes the image using a locally adaptive threshold. `imbinarize` computes a threshold for each pixel using the local mean intensity around the neighborhood of the pixel. This technique is also called Bradley's method [2]. The 'adaptive' method also uses a neighborhood size of approximately 1/8th of the size of the image (computed as $2 * \text{floor}(\text{size}(I)/16) + 1$). To use a different first order local statistic or a different neighborhood size, see `adaptthresh`.

References

- [1] Otsu, N., "A Threshold Selection Method from Gray-Level Histograms." *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics*. Vol. 9, No. 1, 1979, pp. 62-66.
- [2] Bradley, D., G. Roth, "Adapting Thresholding Using the Integral Image," *Journal of Graphics Tools*. Vol. 12, No. 2, 2007, pp.13-21.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imbinarize` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imbinarize` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see "Code Generation Using a Shared Library".

- When generating code, all character vector input arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

Image Segmenter | `adaptthresh` | `graythresh` | `otsuthresh`

Introduced in R2016a

imbothat

Bottom-hat filtering

Syntax

```
J = imbothat(I,SE)
J = imbothat(I,nhood)
```

Description

`J = imbothat(I,SE)` performs morphological bottom-hat filtering on the grayscale or binary image `I`, returning the filtered image, `J`. Bottom-hat filtering computes the morphological closing of the image (using `imclose`) and then subtracts the original image from the result. `SE` is a single structuring element object returned by the `strel` or `offsetstrel` functions.

You optionally can perform the bottom-hat filtering using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = imbothat(I,nhood)` bottom-hat filters the image `I`, where `nhood` is a matrix of 0s and 1s that specifies the structuring element neighborhood. This is equivalent to the syntax `imbothat(I,strel(nhood))`. The `imbothat` function determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(nhood)+1)/2)`.

Examples

Enhance Contrast Using Bottom-hat and Top-hat Filtering

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');
imshow(I)
```




Create a disk-shaped structuring element.

```
se = strel('disk',3);
```

Add the original image *I* to the top-hat filtered image, and then subtract the bottom-hat filtered image.

```
J = imsubtract(imadd(I,imtophat(I,se)),imbothat(I,se));  
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Enhance Contrast Using Bottom Hat Filtering on a GPU

Read the image into a `gpuArray`.

```
original = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));
```

Create a disk-shaped structuring element, needed for morphological processing.

```
se = strel('disk',3);
```

Add the original image `I` to the top-hat filtered image, and then subtract the bottom-hat filtered image.

```
contrastFiltered = ...  
    (original+imtophat(original,se))-imbothat(original,se);
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

grayscale image | binary image | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a grayscale image or binary image. I can have any dimension, and must be real and nonsparse.

To perform the bottom-hat filtering using a GPU, specify I as a `gpuArray` that contains an image of type `uint8` or `logical`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object | `offsetstrel` object

Structuring element, specified as a single `strel` object or `offsetstrel` object. If the image I is data type `logical`, the structuring element must be flat.

If you perform the bottom-hat filtering using a GPU, then SE must be flat and two-dimensional.

nhood — Structuring element neighborhood

matrix of 0s and 1s

Structuring element neighborhood, specified as a matrix of 0s and 1s.

Example: `[0 1 0; 1 1 1; 0 1 0]`

Output Arguments

J — Bottom-hat filtered image

grayscale image | binary image | gpuArray

Bottom-hat filtered image, returned as a grayscale image or binary image. J has the same class as input image I.

If the filtering is performed using a GPU, then `J` is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a grayscale or binary image of the same class as `I`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imbothat` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imbothat` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the image input argument, `I`, must be 2-D or 3-D and the structuring element input argument, `SE`, must be a compile-time constant.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `gpuArray` input must be of type `uint8` or `logical` and the structuring element must be flat and two-dimensional.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

Functions

`imclose` | `imdilate` | `imerode` | `imopen` | `imtophat`

Objects

offsetstrel | strel

Introduced before R2006a

imboxfilt

2-D box filtering of images

Syntax

```
B = imboxfilt(A)
B = imboxfilt(A,filterSize)
B = imboxfilt( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imboxfilt(A)` filters image `A` with a 2-D, 3-by-3 box filter. A box filter is also called a mean filter.

`B = imboxfilt(A,filterSize)` filters image `A` with a 2-D box filter with size specified by `filterSize`.

`B = imboxfilt(____,Name,Value)` filters image `A` with a 2-D box filter where Name-Value pairs control aspects of the filtering.

Examples

Compute Mean Filter Over Specified Neighborhood

Read image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Perform the mean filtering using an 11-by-11 filter.

```
localMean = imboxfilt(A,11);
```

Display the original image and the filtered image, side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(A,localMean,'montage')
```



Compute Local Area Sums Over Specified Neighborhood

Read image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Change the data type of the image to double to avoid integer overflow.

```
A = double(A);
```

Filter image, calculating local area sums, using a 15-by-15 box filter. To calculate local area sums, rather than the mean, set the `NormalizationFactor` parameter to 1.

```
localSums = imboxfilt(A, 15, 'NormalizationFactor',1);
```

Display the original image and the filtered image, side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(A,localSums,'montage')
```



Input Arguments

A — Image to be filtered

real, nonsparse array of any dimension

Image to be filtered, specified as a real, nonsparse array of any dimension.

If A contains `Infs` or `NaNs`, the behavior of `imboxfilt` is undefined. This can happen when integral image based filtering is used. To restrict the propagation of `Infs` and `NaNs` in the output, consider using `imfilter` instead.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

filterSize — Size of box filter

3 -by-3 (default) | scalar or 2-element vector of positive, odd integers

Size of box filter, specified as a scalar or 2-element vector of positive, odd integers. If `filterSize` is scalar, the box filter is square.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `A = imread('cameraman.tif'); B = imboxfilt(A,5,'Padding','circular');`

Padding — Padding pattern

`'replicate'` (default) | `'circular'` | `'symmetric'` | numeric scalar

Padding pattern, specified as one of the following values or a numeric scalar. If you specify a scalar value, input image pixels outside the bounds of the image are implicitly assumed to have the scalar value.

Value	Description
<code>'circular'</code>	Input image values outside the bounds of the image are computed by implicitly assuming the input image is periodic.
<code>'replicate'</code>	Input image values outside the bounds of the image are assumed equal to the nearest image border value.
<code>'symmetric'</code>	Input image values outside the bounds of the image are computed by mirror-reflecting the array across the array border.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `char` | `string`

NormalizationFactor — Normalization factor applied to box filter

$1/\text{filterSize}.^2$, if scalar, and $1/\text{prod}(\text{filterSize})$, if vector (default) | numeric scalar

Normalization factor applied to box filter, specified as a numeric scalar.

The default `'NormalizationFactor'` has the effect of a mean filter—the pixels in the output image are the local means of the image over the neighborhood determined by `filterSize`. To get local area sums, set `'NormalizationFactor'` to 1. To avoid

overflow in such circumstances, consider using double precision images by converting the input image to class `double`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

real, nonsparse matrix

Filtered image, returned as a real, nonsparse matrix, the same size as the input image.

Algorithms

`imboxfilt` performs filtering using either convolution-based filtering or integral image filtering, using an internal heuristic to determine which filtering approach to use.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imboxfilt` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imboxfilt` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, all character vector input arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

`imboxfilt3` | `imfilter` | `integralBoxFilter`

Introduced in R2015b

imboxfilt3

3-D box filtering of 3-D images

Syntax

```
B = imboxfilt3(A)
B = imboxfilt3(A,filterSize)
B = imboxfilt3( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imboxfilt3(A)` filters the 3-D image `A` with a 3-D box filter, 3-by-3-by-3 in size.

`B = imboxfilt3(A,filterSize)` filters 3-D image `A` with a 3-D box filter with size specified by `filterSize`.

`B = imboxfilt3(____,Name,Value)` filters 3-D image `A` where Name-Value pairs control aspects of the filtering.

Examples

Compute Mean Filter in MRI Volume

Load 3-D image data into the workspace.

```
volData = load('mri');
vol = squeeze(volData.D);
```

Filter the image with a 3-D box filter.

```
localMean = imboxfilt3(vol,[5 5 3]);
```

Input Arguments

A — Image to be filtered

real, nonsparse 3-D array

Image to be filtered, specified as a real, nonsparse 3-D array.

If **A** contains **Infs** or **NaNs**, the behavior of `imboxfilt3` is undefined. This can happen when integral image based filtering is used. To restrict the propagation of **Infs** and **NaNs** in the output, consider using `imfilter` instead.

Example: `B = imboxfilt3(A);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

filterSize — Size of box filter

(default) | scalar or 3-element vector of positive, odd integers

Size of box filter, specified as a scalar or 3-element vector of positive, odd integers. If `filterSize` is scalar, the filter is a cube.

Example: `B = imboxfilt3(A,5);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of **Name**, **Value** arguments. **Name** is the argument name and **Value** is the corresponding value. **Name** must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `B = imboxfilt3(A,5,'padding','circular');`

Padding — Padding pattern

'replicate' (default) | 'circular' | 'symmetric' | numeric scalar

Padding pattern, specified as one of the following values or a numeric scalar. If you specify a scalar value, input image pixels outside the bounds of the image are implicitly assumed to have the scalar value.

Value	Description
'circular'	Input image values outside the bounds of the image are computed by implicitly assuming the input image is periodic.
'replicate'	Input image values outside the bounds of the image are assumed equal to the nearest image border value.
'symmetric'	Input image values outside the bounds of the image are computed by mirror-reflecting the array across the array border.

Example: `B = imboxfilt3(A,5,'padding','circular');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `char` | `string`

NormalizationFactor — Normalization factor applied to box filter

$1/\text{filterSize}.^3$, if scalar, and $1/\text{prod}(\text{filterSize})$, if vector (default) | numeric scalar

Normalization factor applied to box filter, specified as a numeric scalar.

The default 'NormalizationFactor' has the effect of a mean filter—the pixels in the output image are the local means of the image. To get local area sums, set 'NormalizationFactor' to 1. To avoid overflow in such circumstances, consider using double precision images by converting the input image to class `double`.

Example: `B = imboxfilt3(A,5,'NormalizationFactor',1);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

real, nonsparse 3-D array

Filtered image, returned as a real, nonsparse 3-D array.

Algorithms

`imboxfilt` performs filtering using either convolution-based filtering or integral image filtering, using an internal heuristic to determine which filtering approach to use.

See Also

`imboxfilt` | `imfilter` | `integralBoxFilter3`

Introduced in R2015b

imclearborder

Suppress light structures connected to image border

Syntax

```
J = imclearborder(I)
J = imclearborder(I,conn)
```

Description

`J = imclearborder(I)` suppresses structures in image `I` that are lighter than their surroundings and that are connected to the image border. Use this function to clear the image border. For grayscale images, `imclearborder` tends to reduce the overall intensity level in addition to suppressing border structures. The output image, `J`, is grayscale or binary, depending on the input.

`J = imclearborder(I,conn)` specifies the pixel connectivity, `conn`.

Examples

Impact of Connectivity on Clearing the Border

Create a simple binary image.

```
BW = [0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
      0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
      0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
      1 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
      0 1 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
      0 0 0 1 1 1 0 0 0
      0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
      0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
      0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0];
```


Clear pixels on the border of the image using 4-connectivity. Note that `imclearborder` does not clear the pixel at (5,2) because, with 4-connectivity, it is not considered connected to the border pixel at (4,1).

```
BWc1 = imclearborder(BW,4)
```

```
BWc1 = 9×9
```

```

0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     1     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0

```

Now clear pixels on the border of the image using 8-connectivity. `imclearborder` clears the pixel at (5,2) because, with 8-connectivity, it is considered connected to the border pixel (4,1).

```
BWc2 = imclearborder(BW,8)
```

```
BWc2 = 9×9
```

```

0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     1     1     1     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0

```

Input Arguments

I — Grayscale or binary image

numeric array | logical array

Grayscale or binary image, specified as a numeric or logical array.

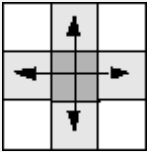
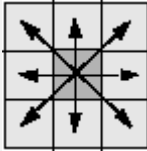
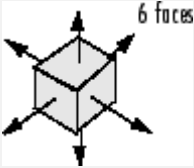
Example: `I = imread('pout.tif');`

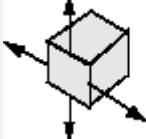
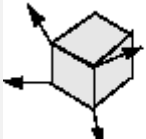
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	

Value	Meaning	
18-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges</p>
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `imclearborder` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(I), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Note A pixel on the edge of the input image might not be considered to be a border pixel if you specify a nondefault connectivity. For example, if `conn = [0 0 0; 1 1 1; 0 0 0]`, elements on the first and last row are not considered to be border pixels because, according to that connectivity definition, they are not connected to the region outside the image.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Processed image

numeric array | logical array

Processed grayscale or binary image, returned as numeric or logical array, depending on the input image you specify.

Algorithms

`imclearborder` uses morphological reconstruction where:

- Mask image is the input image.
- Marker image is zero everywhere except along the border, where it equals the mask image.

References

- [1] Soille, P., *Morphological Image Analysis: Principles and Applications*, Springer, 1999, pp. 164-165.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imclearborder` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imclearborder` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

- Supports only up to 3-D inputs.
- The optional second input argument, `conn`, must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`conndef`

Introduced before R2006a

imclose

Morphologically close image

Syntax

```
J = imclose(I,SE)
J = imclose(I,nhood)
```

Description

`J = imclose(I,SE)` performs morphological closing on the grayscale or binary image `I`, returning the closed image, `J`. `SE` is a single structuring element object returned by the `strel` or `offsetstrel` functions. The morphological close operation is a dilation followed by an erosion, using the same structuring element for both operations.

You optionally can perform the morphological closing using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

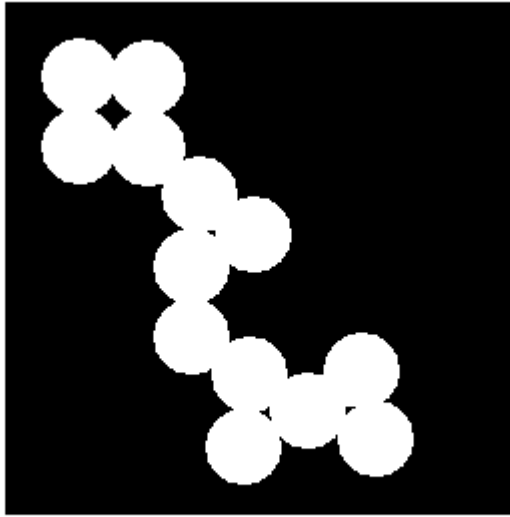
`J = imclose(I,nhood)` closes the image `I`, where `nhood` is a matrix of 0s and 1s that specifies the structuring element neighborhood. This is equivalent to the syntax `imclose(I,strel(nhood))`. The `imclose` function determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(nhood)+1)/2)`.

Examples

Use Morphological Closing to Fill Gaps in an Image

Read a binary image into the workspace and display it.

```
originalBW = imread('circles.png');
imshow(originalBW);
```

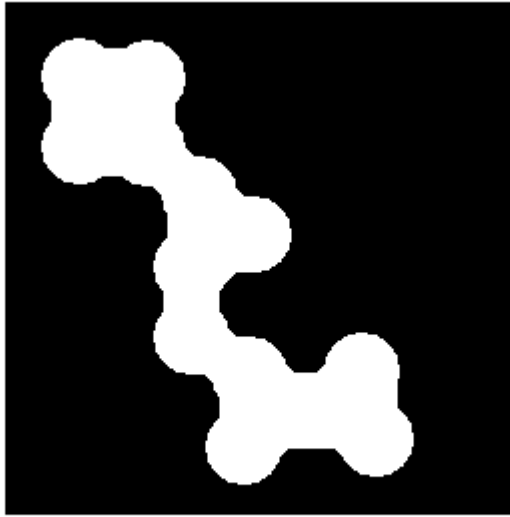


Create a disk-shaped structuring element. Use a disk structuring element to preserve the circular nature of the object. Specify a radius of 10 pixels so that the largest gap gets filled.

```
se = strel('disk',10);
```

Perform a morphological close operation on the image.

```
closeBW = imclose(originalBW,se);  
figure, imshow(closeBW)
```



Perform Morphological Closing Using a GPU

Use morphological closing to join the circles in an image together by filling in the gaps between them and by smoothing their outer edges.

Read the image into the workspace and view it.

```
originalBW = imread('circles.png');  
imshow(originalBW);
```

Create a disk-shaped structuring element. Use a disk structuring element to preserve the circular nature of the object. Specify a radius of 10 pixels so that the largest gap gets filled.

```
se = strel('disk',10);
```

Perform a morphological close operation on the image on a GPU.


```
closeBW = imclose(gpuArray(originalBW),se);  
figure  
imshow(closeBW)
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

grayscale image | binary image | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a grayscale image or binary image of any dimension.

To perform the closing using a GPU, specify I as a `gpuArray` that contains an image of type `uint8` or `logical`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object | `offsetstrel` object

Structuring element, specified as a single `strel` object or `offsetstrel` object. If the image I is data type `logical`, then the structuring element must be flat.

If you perform the closing using a GPU, then SE must be flat and two-dimensional.

nhood — Structuring element neighborhood

matrix of 0s and 1s

Structuring element neighborhood, specified as a matrix of 0s and 1s.

Example: `[0 1 0; 1 1 1; 0 1 0]`

Output Arguments

J — Closed image

grayscale image | binary image | gpuArray

Closed image, returned as a grayscale image or binary image. J has the same class as input image I.

If the closing is performed using a GPU, then `J` is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a grayscale or binary image of the same class as `I`.

Compatibility Considerations

`imclose` pads image border

Behavior changed in R2017a

Starting in R2017a, `imclose` pads the input image border by half the size of the structuring element. Padding the image removes border artifacts when there are foreground pixels near the boundary of the input image.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imclose` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `imclose` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the input image `I` must be 2-D or 3-D.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `gpuArray` input must be of type `uint8` or `logical` and the structuring element must be flat and two-dimensional.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

Functions

`imdilate` | `imerode` | `imopen`

Objects

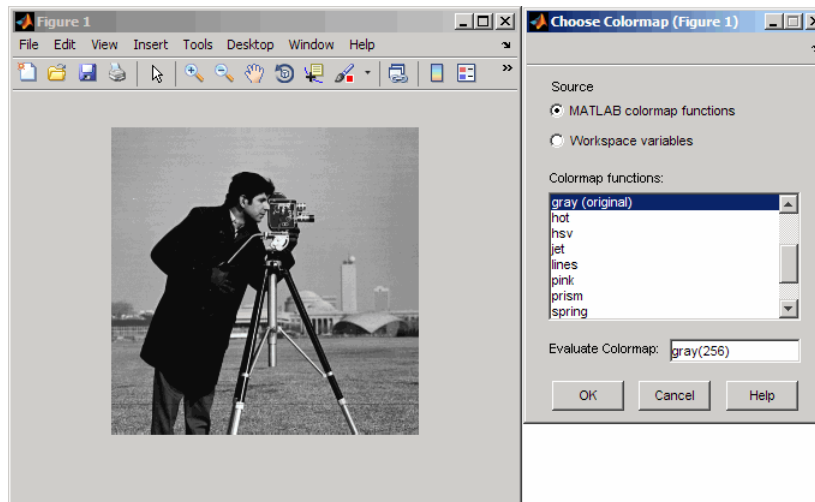
`offsetstrel` | `strel`

Introduced before R2006a

imcolormaptool

Choose Colormap tool

Use the `imcolormaptool` function to create a Choose Colormap tool. The Choose Colormap tool is an interactive colormap selection tool that allows you to change the colormap of a figure by selecting a colormap from a list of MATLAB colormap functions or workspace variables, or by entering a custom MATLAB expression.



Choose Colormap Tool

Syntax

```
imcolormaptool  
imcolormaptool(h)  
htool = imcolormaptool(____)
```

Description

`imcolormaptool` launches the Choose Colormap tool in a separate figure, which is associated with the current figure.

`imcolormaptool(h)` launches the Choose Colormap tool using `h` as the target figure. `h` must contain either a grayscale or an indexed image.

`htool = imcolormaptool(___)` returns a handle to the Choose Colormap tool figure, `htool`.

Examples

Open Choose Colormap Tool

```
h = figure;  
imshow('cameraman.tif');  
imcolormaptool(h);
```

Input Arguments

h — Handle to graphics object

handle

Handle to a figure or axes, specified as a handle.

Output Arguments

htool — Handle to Choose Colormap tool figure

handle

Handle to Choose Colormap tool figure, returned as a handle.

See Also

`colormap` | `imshow` | `imtool`

Introduced in R2009a

imcomplement

Complement image

Syntax

```
J = imcomplement(I)
```

Description

`J = imcomplement(I)` computes the complement on page 1-1368 of the image `I` and returns the result in `J`.

You optionally can compute the image complement using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

Examples

Create the Complement of a uint8 Array

```
X = uint8([ 255 10 75; 44 225 100]);  
X2 = imcomplement(X)
```

X2 = 2x3 uint8 matrix

```
     0    245    180  
    211     30    155
```

Reverse Black and White in a Binary Image

```
bw = imread('text.png');  
bw2 = imcomplement(bw);  
imshowpair(bw,bw2,'montage')
```

**The term watershed
refers to a ridge that ...**

**... divides areas
drained by different
river systems.**

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Create the Complement of an Intensity Image

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
J = imcomplement(I);  
imshowpair(I,J,'montage')
```




Create the Complement of a Color Image

Read a color image into the workspace.

```
rgb = imread('yellowlily.jpg');  
imshow(rgb)
```



Display the complement of the image.

```
c = imcomplement(rgb);  
imshow(c)
```



Each color channel of the resulting image is the complement of the corresponding color channel in the original image. Regions that were dark, such as dirt, become light. In the original image, the leaves appear green, and petals appear yellow because of a mixture of red and green signals. In the complement image, the leaves appear purple because the red and blue signals are larger than the green signal. The flower petals appear blue because the blue signal is larger than the red and green channels.

Create the Complement of Intensity Image on a GPU

```
I = imread('glass.png');  
J = imcomplement(gpuArray(I));  
imshowpair(I,J,'montage')
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

RGB image | grayscale image | binary image | gpuArray

Input image, specified as an RGB, grayscale, or binary image.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify I as a `gpuArray` that contains an RGB, grayscale, or binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Image complement

RGB image | grayscale image | binary image | gpuArray

Image complement, specified as an RGB, grayscale, or binary image. J has the same size and class as the input image, I.

If the image complement is computed using a GPU, then J is returned as a `gpuArray` containing an RGB, grayscale, or binary image.

Definitions

Image Complement

In the complement of a binary image, zeros become ones and ones become zeros. Black and white are reversed.

In the complement of a grayscale or color image, each pixel value is subtracted from the maximum pixel value supported by the class (or 1.0 for double-precision images). The difference is used as the pixel value in the output image. In the output image, dark areas become lighter and light areas become darker. For color images, reds become cyan, greens become magenta, blues become yellow, and vice versa.

Tips

- If `I` is a grayscale or RGB image of class `double`, you can use the expression `1 - I` instead of this function.
- If `I` is a binary image, you can use the expression `~I` instead of this function.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imcomplement` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- `imcomplement` does not support `int64` and `uint64` data types.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`imabsdiff` | `imadd` | `imdivide` | `imlincomb` | `immultiply` | `imsubtract`

Introduced before R2006a

imcontour

Create contour plot of image data

Syntax

```
imcontour(I)
imcontour(I,levels)
imcontour(I,V)
imcontour(x,y,___)
imcontour(___,LineStyle)
[C,h] = imcontour(___)
```

Description

`imcontour(I)` draws a contour plot of the grayscale image `I`, choosing the number of levels and the values of levels automatically. `imcontour` automatically sets up the axes so their orientation and aspect ratio match the image.

`imcontour(I,levels)` specifies the number, `levels`, of equally spaced contour levels in the plot.

`imcontour(I,V)` draws contour lines at the data values specified in vector `V`. The number of contour levels is equal to `length(V)`.

`imcontour(x,y,___)` uses the vectors `x` and `y` to specify the image `x`- and `y` coordinates.

`imcontour(___,LineStyle)` draws the contours using the line type and color specified by `LineStyle`. Marker symbols are ignored.

`[C,h] = imcontour(___)` returns the contour matrix, `C`, and the handle, `h`, to the contour patches drawn onto the current axes.

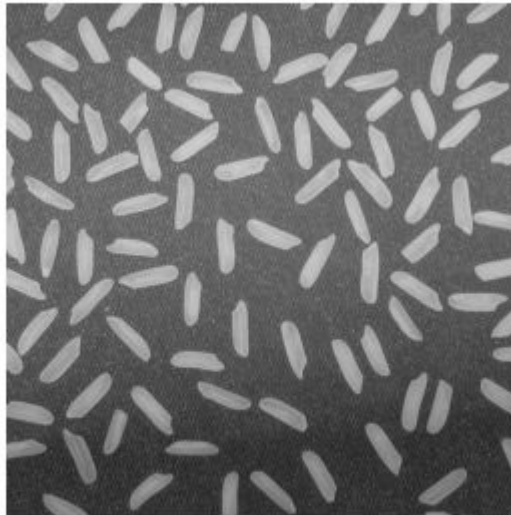
Examples

Create Contour Plot of Image Data

This example shows how to create a contour plot of an image.

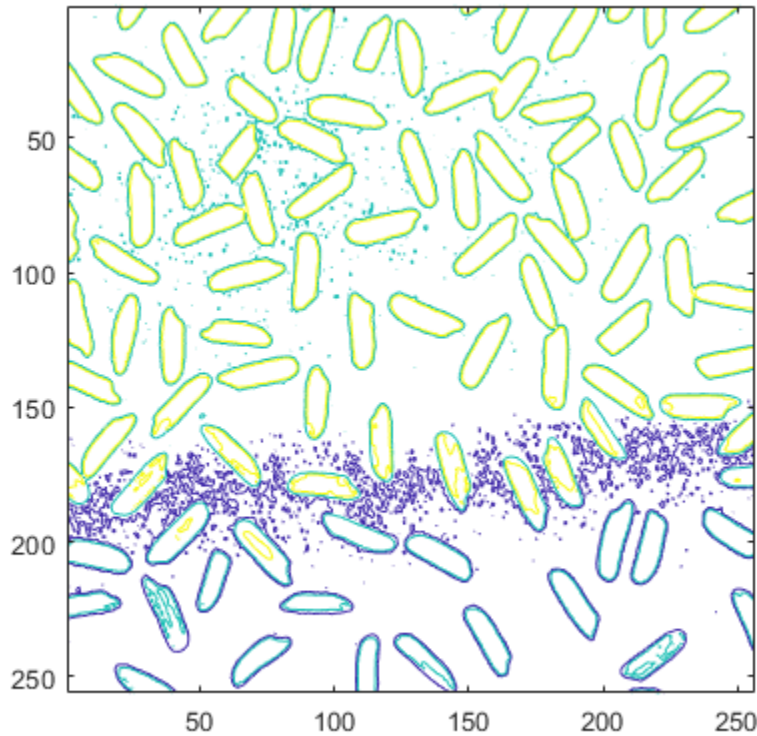
Read grayscale image and display it. The example uses an example image of grains of rice.

```
I = imread('rice.png');  
imshow(I)
```



Create a contour plot of the image using `imcontour` .

```
figure;  
imcontour(I,3)
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

m-by-*n* matrix

Grayscale image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* matrix.

Data Types: single | double | int16 | uint8 | uint16 | logical

levels — Number of contour levels

numeric scalar

Number of contour levels, specified as a numeric scalar.

V — Value of contour levels

numeric vector

Value of contour levels, specified as a numeric vector with length greater than or equal to two. Use $V = [v \ v]$ to compute a single contour at level v .

x — Image x values

2-element numeric vector | n -element numeric vector

Image x values, specified as one of the following:

- 2-element numeric vector of the form $[x_{\min} \ x_{\max}]$ — Image extent in the x direction.
- n -element numeric vector — x-coordinate of each column.

y — Image y values

2-element numeric vector | m -element numeric vector

Image y values, specified as one of the following:

- 2-element numeric vector of the form $[y_{\min} \ y_{\max}]$ — Image extent in the y direction.
- m -element numeric vector — y-coordinate of each row.

LineStyle — Line specification

LineStyle

Line specification, specified as a LineSpec.

Output Arguments

C — Contour matrix

numeric matrix

Contour matrix, returned as a matrix with two rows. The matrix is defined according to the `ContourMatrix` property of the `Contour` object, `h`.

h — Contour patches

handle

Contour patches, returned as a handle to a `Contour` object.

See Also

Functions

LineStyle | xlabel | contour

Properties

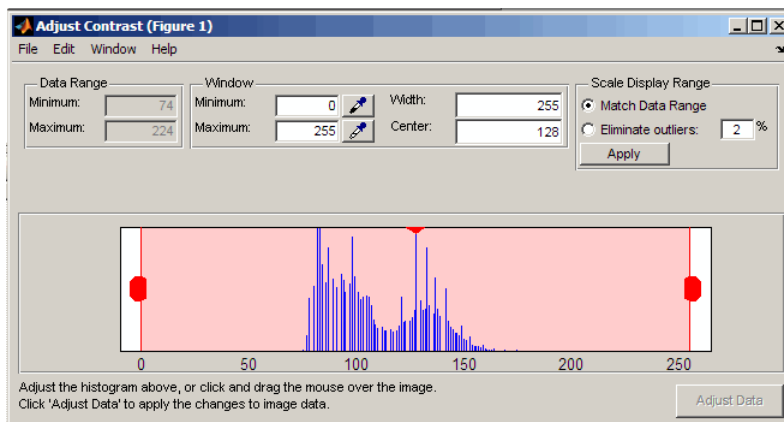
Contour

Introduced before R2006a

imcontrast

Adjust Contrast tool

Use the `imcontrast` function to create an Adjust Contrast tool. The Adjust Contrast tool is an interactive contrast and brightness adjustment tool that you can use to adjust the black-to-white mapping used to display a grayscale image. For more information about using the tool, see “Tips” on page 1-1377.



Syntax

```
imcontrast
imcontrast(h)
htool = imcontrast( ___ )
```

Description

`imcontrast` creates an Adjust Contrast tool in a separate figure that is associated with the grayscale image in the current figure, called the target image.

`imcontrast(h)` creates the Adjust Contrast tool associated with the image specified by the handle `h`.

`htool = imcontrast(___)` returns the handle `htool` to the Adjust Contrast tool figure.

Examples

Adjust the Contrast of the Current Image

Read an image into the workspace. Adjust the contrast of the current image.

```
imshow('pout.tif')
imcontrast
```

Adjust Image Contrast, Specifying Figure Handle

Read an image into the workspace and define the handle of the figure as `h1`. Open a second figure window and define the handle of that figure as `h2`. Adjust the contrast of the first figure by specifying `h1` in the call to `imcontrast`.

```
h1 = figure;
imshow('pout.tif');
h2 = figure;
imshow('coins.png');
imcontrast(h1)
```

Input Arguments

h — Handle to graphics object

`handle`

Handle to a figure, axes, uipanel, or image graphics object, specified as a handle. If `h` is an axes or figure handle, `imcontrast` uses the first image returned by `findobj(H,'Type','image')`.

Output Arguments

htool — Handle to Adjust Contrast tool figure

handle

Handle to Adjust Contrast tool figure, returned as a handle.

Tips

The Adjust Contrast tool presents a scaled histogram of pixel values (overly represented pixel values are truncated for clarity). Dragging on the left red bar in the histogram display changes the minimum value. The minimum value, and any pixel value less than the minimum, display as black. Dragging on the right red bar in the histogram changes the maximum value. The maximum value, and any value greater than the maximum, display as white. Values in between the red bars display as intermediate shades of gray.

Together the minimum and maximum values create a "window". Stretching the window reduces contrast. Shrinking the window increases contrast. Changing the center of the window changes the brightness of the image. It is possible to manually enter the minimum, maximum, width, and center values for the window. Changing one value automatically updates the other values and the image.

- Click and drag the mouse within the target image to interactively change the window values. Dragging the mouse horizontally from left to right changes the window width (i.e., contrast). Dragging the mouse vertically up and down changes the window center (i.e., brightness). Holding down the **Ctrl** key before clicking and dragging the mouse accelerates the rate of change; holding down the **Shift** key before clicking and dragging the mouse slows the rate of change. Keys must be pressed before clicking and dragging.
- When you use the tool, `imcontrast` adjusts the contrast of the displayed image by modifying the axes `CLim` property. To modify the actual pixel values in the target image, click the **Adjust Data** button. This button is unavailable until you make a change to the contrast of the image.
- The Adjust Contrast tool can handle grayscale images of class `double` and `single` with data ranges beyond the default display range, which is `[0 1]`. For these images, `imcontrast` sets the histogram limits to fit the image data range, with padding at the upper and lower bounds.

See Also

`imadjust` | `imtool` | `stretchlim`

Topics

“Adjust Image Contrast in Image Viewer App”

Introduced before R2006a

imcrop

Crop image

Syntax

```
J = imcrop
J = imcrop(I)
J = imcrop(X, cmap)
J = imcrop(h)

J = imcrop(I, rect)
J = imcrop(X, cmap, rect)

J = imcrop(x, y, ___)
[J, rect2] = imcrop( ___ )
[x2, y2, ___ ] = imcrop( ___ )
```

Description

`J = imcrop` creates an interactive Crop Image tool associated with the image displayed in the current figure. With this syntax and the other interactive syntaxes, the Crop Image tool blocks the MATLAB command line until you complete the operation. `imcrop` returns the cropped image, `J`.

For more information about using the Crop Image tool, see “Interactive Behavior” on page 1-1388.

`J = imcrop(I)` displays the image `I` in a figure window and creates an interactive Crop Image tool associated with the image. `I` can be a grayscale image, a truecolor image, or a logical array.

`J = imcrop(X, cmap)` displays the indexed image `X` in a figure using the colormap `cmap`, and creates an interactive Crop Image tool associated with that image. `imcrop` returns the cropped indexed image, `J`, which also has the colormap `cmap`.

`J = imcrop(h)` creates an interactive Crop Image tool associated with the image specified by the handle `h`.

`J = imcrop(I, rect)` crops the image `I` according to `rect`, which specifies the size and position of the crop rectangle as `[xmin ymin width height]`, in terms of spatial coordinates. The cropped image includes all pixels in the input image that are completely or *partially* enclosed by the rectangle.

The width and height specified by `rect` do not always correspond exactly with the size of the output image. For example, suppose `rect` is `[20 20 40 30]`, using the default spatial coordinate system. The upper left corner of the specified rectangle is the center of the pixel with spatial `(x,y)` coordinates `(20,20)`. The lower right corner of the rectangle is the center of the pixel with spatial `(x,y)` coordinates `(60,50)`. The resulting output image has size 31-by-41 pixels, not 30-by-40 pixels.

`J = imcrop(X, cmap, rect)` crops the indexed image `X` with colormap `cmap` according to the vector `rect`, which specifies the size and position of the crop rectangle.

`J = imcrop(x, y, ___)` crops the image using a non-default coordinate system, where `x` and `y` specify the image limits in the world coordinate system.

`[J, rect2] = imcrop(___)` also returns the position of the cropping rectangle in `rect2`.

`[x2, y2, ___] = imcrop(___)` also returns the image limits in `x2` and `y2`.

Examples


Crop Image Using Crop Image Interactive Tool

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

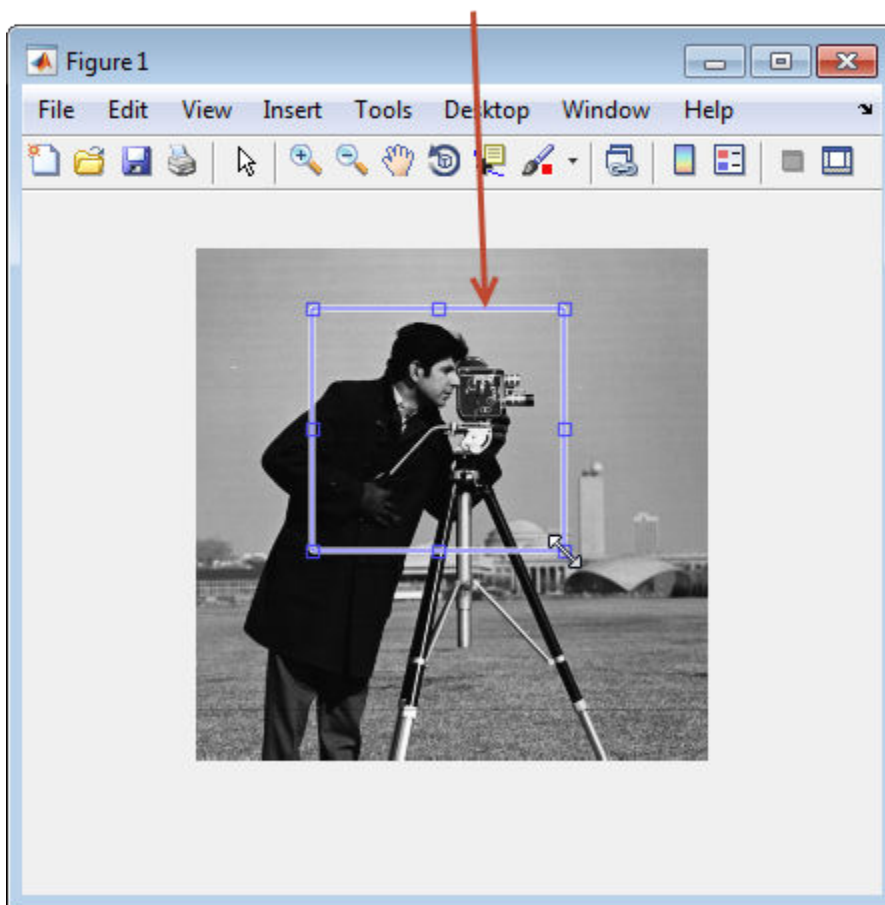
Open Crop Image tool associated with this image. Specify a variable in which to store the cropped image. The example includes the optional return value `rect` in which `imcrop` returns the four-element position vector of the rectangle you draw.

```
[J, rect] = imcrop(I);
```

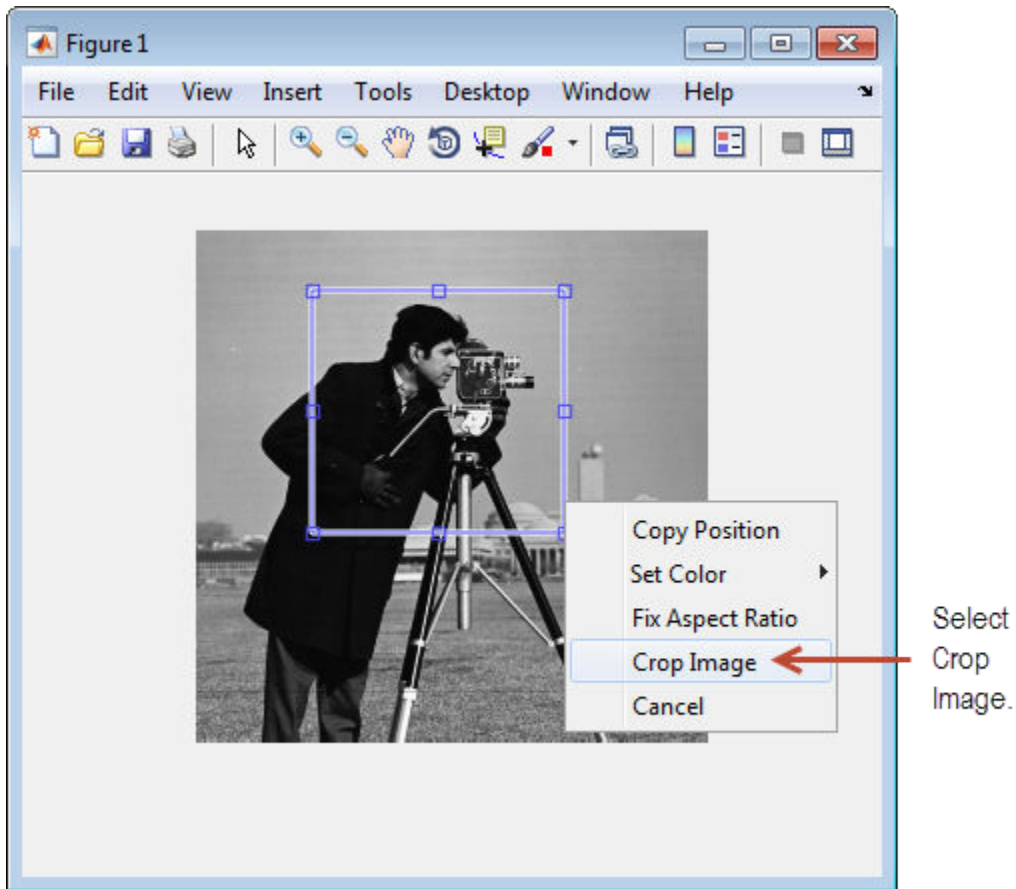
When you move the cursor over the image, it changes to a cross-hairs . The Crop Image tool blocks the MATLAB command line until you complete the operation.

Using the mouse, draw a rectangle over the portion of the image that you want to crop.

Draw crop rectangle.



Perform the crop operation by double-clicking in the crop rectangle or selecting Crop Image on the context menu.



The Crop Image tool returns the cropped area in the return variable, J. The variable rect is the four-element position vector describing the crop rectangle you specified.

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Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
I	256x256	65536	uint8	
J	121x126	15246	uint8	
rect	1x4	32	double	

Crop Image By Specifying Crop Rectangle

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');
```

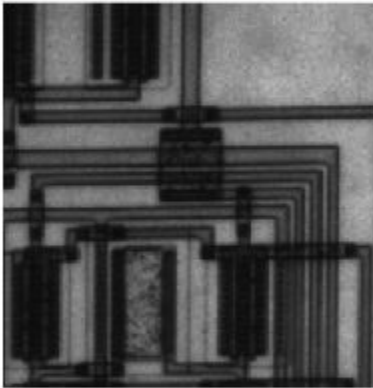
Crop image, specifying crop rectangle.

```
I2 = imcrop(I,[75 68 130 112]);
```

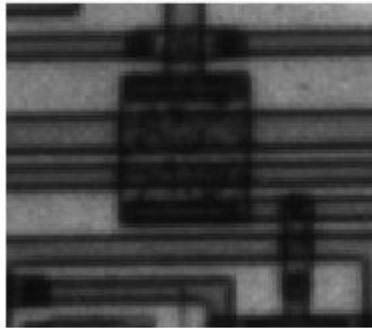
Display original image and cropped image.

```
subplot(1,2,1)  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')  
subplot(1,2,2)  
imshow(I2)  
title('Cropped Image')
```

Original Image



Cropped Image



Crop Indexed Image Specifying Crop Rectangle

Load indexed image with its associated map into the workspace.

```
load trees
```

Crop indexed image, specifying crop rectangle.

```
X2 = imcrop(X,map,[30 30 50 75]);
```

Display original image and cropped image.

```
subplot(1,2,1)
imshow(X,map)
title('Original Image')
subplot(1,2,2)
imshow(X2,map)
title('Cropped Image')
```



Input Arguments

I — Image to be cropped
numeric array

Image to be cropped, specified as a numeric array. If you specify `rect` as an input argument, then `I` can also be logical. Otherwise, `imcrop` calls `imshow` and accepts whatever image classes `imshow` accepts.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

X — Indexed image to be cropped

array of integers

Indexed image to be cropped, specified as an array of integers. If you specify `rect` as an input argument, then `I` can also be logical. Otherwise, `imcrop` calls `imshow` and accepts any image class that `imshow` accepts.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

cmap — Colormap associated with indexed image

c-by-3 numeric matrix

Colormap associated with indexed image, specified as an *c*-by-3 numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

rect — Size and position of the crop rectangle

4-element numeric vector

Size and position of the crop rectangle in spatial coordinates, specified as a 4-element numeric vector of the form `[xmin ymin width height]`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

h — Handle to graphics object

handle

Handle to a figure, axes, uipanel, or image graphics object, specified as a handle. If `h` is an axes or figure handle, `imcrop` uses the first image returned by `findobj(H, 'Type', 'image')`.

x, y — Image limits in world coordinates

2-element numeric vector

Image limits in world coordinates along the x- or y-dimension, specified as a 2-element numeric vector of the form `[min max]`. The values of `x` and `y` set the image `XData` and `YData`. The data type of `x` and `y` must match.

The second element of `x` and `y` must be greater than the first element. `imcrop` does not support coordinate systems with inverted axes.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

J — Cropped image

numeric array

Cropped image, returned as a numeric array.

- If you specify an input image, then the output image has the same class as the input image.
- If you do not specify an input image, then the output image generally has the same class as the input image assigned by `imcrop`. However, if the input image is `int16` or `single`, then the output image is `double`.

rect2 — Size and position of the crop rectangle

4-element numeric vector

Size and position of the crop rectangle, returned as a 4-element numeric vector of the form `[xmin ymin width height]`.

x2, y2 — Image limits


2-element numeric vector

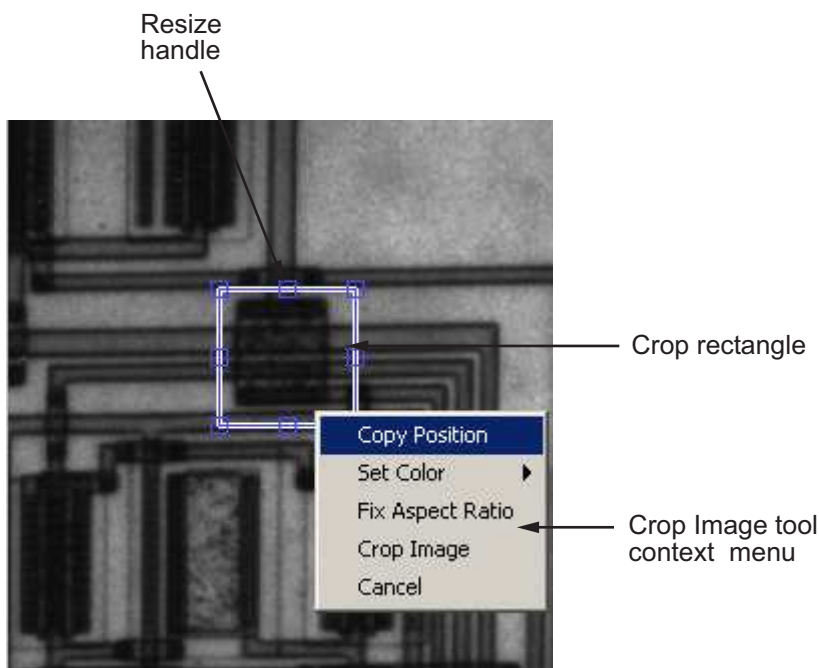
Image limits in the `x` or `y` direction, returned as a 2-element numeric vector of the form `[min max]`. If you specify image limits `x` and `y`, then `x2` and `y2` are equal to these values. Otherwise, `x2` and `y2` are equal to the original image `XData` and `YData`.



Additional Capabilities

Interactive Behavior

The Crop Image tool is a moveable, resizeable rectangle that you can position over the image and perform the crop operation interactively using the mouse.

When the Crop Image tool is active in a figure, the pointer changes to cross hairs  when you move it over the target image. Using the mouse, you specify the crop rectangle by clicking and dragging the mouse. You can move or resize the crop rectangle using the mouse. When you are finished sizing and positioning the crop rectangle, create the cropped image by double-clicking the left mouse button. You can also choose **Crop Image** from the context menu. The following figure illustrates the Crop Image tool with the context menu displayed.



Interactive Behavior	Description
Delete the Crop Image tool.	Press Backspace , Escape or Delete , or right-click inside the crop rectangle and select Cancel from the context menu. Note: If you delete the ROI, the function returns empty values.
Resize the Crop Image tool.	Select any of the resize handles on the crop rectangle. The pointer changes to a double-headed arrow  . Click and drag the mouse to resize the crop rectangle.
Move the Crop Image tool.	Move the pointer inside the boundary of the crop rectangle. The pointer changes to a fleur shape  . Click and drag the mouse to move the rectangle over the image.
Change the color used to display the crop rectangle.	Right-click inside the boundary of the crop rectangle and select Set Color from the context menu.
Crop the image.	Double-click the left mouse button or right-click inside the boundary of the crop rectangle and select Crop Image from the context menu.
Retrieve the coordinates of the crop rectangle.	Right-click inside the boundary of the crop rectangle and select Copy Position from the context menu. <code>imcrop</code> copies a 4-element position vector (<code>[xmin ymin width height]</code>) to the clipboard.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imcrop` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

- The interactive syntaxes are not supported, including:
 - `J = imcrop`
 - `J = imcrop(I)`
 - `X2 = imcrop(X, cmap)`
 - `J = imcrop(h)`
- Indexed images are not supported, including the non-interactive syntax `X2 = imcrop(X, cmap, rect)` ;

See Also

`imrect` | `zoom`

Introduced before R2006a

imdiffuseest

Estimate parameters for anisotropic diffusion filtering

Syntax

```
[gradientThreshold,numberOfIterations] = imdiffuseest(I)  
[gradientThreshold,numberOfIterations] = imdiffuseest(I,Name,Value)
```

Description

`[gradientThreshold,numberOfIterations] = imdiffuseest(I)` estimates the gradient threshold and number of iterations required to filter the grayscale image `I` using anisotropic diffusion.

`[gradientThreshold,numberOfIterations] = imdiffuseest(I,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to change the behavior of the anisotropic diffusion algorithm.

Examples

Estimate Parameters for Anisotropic Diffusion Filtering

Read a grayscale image, then apply strong Gaussian noise to it. Display the noisy image.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
Inoisy = imnoise(I,'gaussian',0,0.005);  
imshow(Inoisy)  
title('Noisy Image')
```

Noisy Image



Estimate the gradient threshold and number of iterations needed to perform anisotropic diffusion filtering of the image.

```
[gradThresh,numIter] = imdiffuseest(Inoisy)
```

```
gradThresh = 1x5 uint8 row vector
```

```
    64    50    39    34    29
```

```
numIter = 5
```

Filter the noisy image by using anisotropic diffusion with the estimated parameters.

```
Idiffuseest = imdiffusefilt(Inoisy,'GradientThreshold', ...  
    gradThresh,'NumberOfIterations',numIter);
```

For comparison, also filter the noisy image by using anisotropic diffusion with the default parameters. The default gradient threshold is 25.5 because the data type of the image is uint8, and the default number of iterations is 5.

```
Idiffusedef = imdiffusefilt(Inoisy);
```

Visually compare the two filtered images.

```
montage({Idiffusedef,Idiffuseest},'ThumbnailSize',[1])  
title(['Anisotropic Diffusion Filtering Using ' ...  
      'Default Parameters (Left) vs. Estimated Parameters (Right)'])
```

anisotropic Diffusion Filtering Using Default Parameters (Left) vs. Estimated Parameters (Right)



Some noise remains in the image that was filtered using default parameters. The noise is almost completely absent from the image that was filtered using estimated parameters. The sharpness of edges in both images, especially high-contrast edges such as the trellis and white collar, is preserved.

Input Arguments

I — Image

2-D grayscale image

Image to be filtered, specified as a 2-D grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `imdifffuseest(I, 'Connectivity', 'minimal')` estimates parameters required for anisotropic diffusion on image `I`, using minimal connectivity.

Connectivity — Connectivity

'maximal' (default) | 'minimal'

Connectivity of a pixel to its neighbors, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Connectivity' and 'maximal' or 'minimal'. Maximal connectivity considers eight nearest neighbors and minimal connectivity considers four nearest neighbors.

ConductionMethod — Conduction method

'exponential' (default) | 'quadratic'

Conduction method, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ConductionMethod' and 'exponential' or 'quadratic'. Exponential diffusion favors high-contrast edges over low-contrast edges. Quadratic diffusion favors wide regions over smaller regions.

Output Arguments

gradientThreshold — Gradient threshold

numeric vector

Gradient threshold, returned as a numeric vector of the same data type as the input image, `I`. The length of the vector is equal to `numberOfIterations`.

numberOfIterations — Number of iterations

positive integer

Number of iterations to use in the diffusion process, returned as a positive integer.

References

- [1] Perona, P., and J. Malik. "Scale-space and edge detection using anisotropic diffusion." *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*. Vol. 12, No. 7, July 1990, pp. 629–639.
- [2] Tsotsios, C., and M. Petrou. "On the choice of the parameters for anisotropic diffusion in image processing." *Pattern Recognition*. Vol. 46, No. 5, May 2013, pp. 1369–1381.

See Also

imdiffusefilt

Introduced in R2018a

imdiffusefilt

Anisotropic diffusion filtering of images

Syntax

```
J = imdiffusefilt(I)
J = imdiffusefilt(I,Name,Value)
```

Description

`J = imdiffusefilt(I)` applies anisotropic diffusion filtering to image `I` and returns the result in `J`.

`J = imdiffusefilt(I,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to change the behavior of the anisotropic diffusion algorithm.

Examples

Perform Edge-Preserving Smoothing Using Anisotropic Diffusion

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
imshow(I)
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Smooth the image using anisotropic diffusion. For comparison, also smooth the image using Gaussian blurring. Adjust the standard deviation `sigma` of the Gaussian smoothing kernel so that textured regions, such as the grass, are smoothed a similar amount for both methods.

```
Idiffusion = imdiffusefilt(I);  
sigma = 1.2;  
Igaussian = imgaussfilt(I,sigma);
```

Display the results.

```
montage({Idiffusion,Igaussian},'ThumbnailSize',[1])  
title('Smoothing Using Anisotropic Diffusion (Left) vs. Gaussian Blurring (Right)')
```

Smoothing Using Anisotropic Diffusion (Left) vs. Gaussian Blurring (Right)



Anisotropic diffusion preserves the sharpness of edges better than Gaussian blurring.

Perform Edge-Aware Noise Reduction Using Anisotropic Diffusion

Read a grayscale image, then apply strong Gaussian noise to it. Display the noisy image.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
noisyImage = imnoise(I, 'gaussian', 0, 0.005);  
imshow(noisyImage)  
title('Noisy Image')
```

Noisy Image

Compute the structural similarity index (SSIM) to measure the quality of the noisy image. The closer the SSIM value is to 1, the better the image agrees with the noiseless reference image.

```
n = ssim(I,noisyImage);  
disp(['The SSIM value of the noisy image is ',num2str(n),'.'])
```

The SSIM value of the noisy image is 0.26556.

Reduce the noise using anisotropic diffusion. First, try the default parameters for the anisotropic diffusion filter, and display the result.

```
B = imdiffusefilt(noisyImage);  
imshow(B)  
title('Anisotropic Diffusion with Default Parameters')
```

Anisotropic Diffusion with Default Parameters



```
nB = ssim(I,B);  
disp(['The SSIM value using default anisotropic diffusion is ',num2str(nB),'.'])
```

The SSIM value using default anisotropic diffusion is 0.65665.

The image is still degraded by noise, so refine the filter. Choose the quadratic conduction method because the image is characterized more by wide homogenous regions than by high-contrast edges. Estimate the optimal gradient threshold and number of iterations by using the `imdifuseest` function. Display the resulting image.

```
[gradThresh,numIter] = imdifuseest(noisyImage,'ConductionMethod','quadratic');  
C = imdifusefilt(noisyImage,'ConductionMethod','quadratic', ...  
    'GradientThreshold',gradThresh,'NumberOfIterations',numIter);  
imshow(C)  
title('Anisotropic Diffusion with Estimated Parameters')
```

Anisotropic Diffusion with Estimated Parameters



```
nC = ssim(I,C);  
disp(['The SSIM value using quadratic anisotropic diffusion is ',num2str(nC),'.'])
```

The SSIM value using quadratic anisotropic diffusion is 0.88135.

Noise is less apparent in the resulting image. The SSIM value, which is closer to 1, confirms that the quality of the image has improved.

Perform 3-D Edge-Aware Noise Reduction

Load a noisy 3-D grayscale MRI volume.

```
load mrystack
```

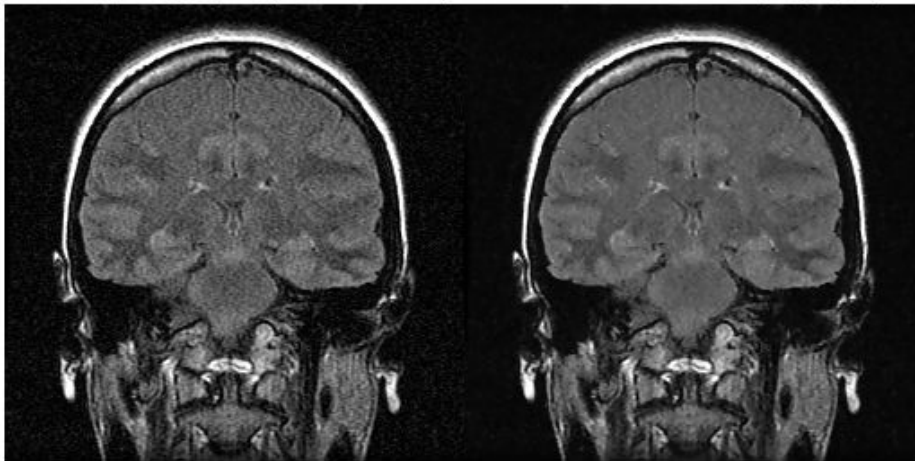
Perform edge-aware noise reduction on the volume using anisotropic diffusion. To prevent over-smoothing the low-contrast features in the brain, decrease the number of iterations from the default number, 5. The tradeoff is that less noise is removed.

```
diffusedImage = imdiffusefilt(mristack,'NumberOfIterations',3);
```

To compare the noisy image and the filtered image in detail, display the tenth slice of both.

```
imshowpair(mristack(:,:,10),diffusedImage(:,:,10),'montage')  
title('Noisy Image (Left) vs. Anisotropic-Diffusion-Filtered Image (Right)')
```

Noisy Image (Left) vs. Anisotropic-Diffusion-Filtered Image (Right)



Calculate the Naturalness Image Quality Evaluator (NIQE) score averaged over all slices in the volume. The NIQE score provides a quantitative measure of image quality that does not require a reference image. Lower NIQE scores reflect better perceptual image quality.

```
nframes = size(mristack,3);  
m = 0;  
d = 0;  
for i = 1:nframes  
    m = m + niqe(mristack(:,:,i));
```



```

    d = d + niqe(diffusedImage(:,:,i));
end
mAvg = m/nframes;
dAvg = d/nframes;
disp(['The NIQE score of the noisy volume is ',num2str(mAvg),'.'])

```

The NIQE score of the noisy volume is 5.7794.

```
disp(['The NIQE score using anisotropic diffusion is ',num2str(dAvg),'.'])
```

The NIQE score using anisotropic diffusion is 4.1391.

The NIQE score is consistent with the observation of reduced noise in the filtered image.

Input Arguments

I — Image to filter

2-D grayscale image | 3-D grayscale volume

Image to filter, specified as a 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n or a 3-D grayscale volume of size m -by- n -by- k .

Note To apply anisotropic diffusion filtering to a color image, use `imdiffusefilt` on each color channel independently.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example:

```
imdiffusefilt(I,'NumberOfIterations',4,'Connectivity','minimal')
```

performs anisotropic diffusion on image `I`, using 4 iterations and minimal connectivity.

GradientThreshold — Gradient threshold

numeric scalar | numeric vector

Gradient threshold, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'GradientThreshold' and a numeric scalar or a numeric vector of length `NumberOfIterations`. The value of `GradientThreshold` controls the conduction process by classifying gradient values as an actual edge or as noise. Increasing the value of `GradientThreshold` smooths the image more. The default value is 10% of the dynamic range of the image. You can use the `imdiffuseest` function to estimate a suitable value of `GradientThreshold`.

NumberOfIterations — Number of iterations

5 (default) | positive integer

Number of iterations to use in the diffusion process, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'NumberOfIterations' and a positive integer. You can use the `imdiffuseest` function to estimate a suitable value of `NumberOfIterations`.

Connectivity — Connectivity

'maximal' (default) | 'minimal'

Connectivity of a pixel to its neighbors, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Connectivity' and one of these values:

- 'maximal' — Considers 8 nearest neighbors for 2-D images, and 26 nearest neighbors for 3-D images
- 'minimal' — Considers 4 nearest neighbors for 2-D images, and 6 nearest neighbors for 3-D images

ConductionMethod — Conduction method

'exponential' (default) | 'quadratic'

Conduction method, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ConductionMethod' and 'exponential' or 'quadratic'. Exponential diffusion favors high-contrast edges over low-contrast edges. Quadratic diffusion favors wide regions over smaller regions.

Output Arguments

J — Diffusion-filtered image

numeric array

Diffusion-filtered image, returned as a numeric array of the same size and data type as the input image, **I**.

References

- [1] Perona, P., and J. Malik. "Scale-space and edge detection using anisotropic diffusion." *IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence*. Vol. 12, No. 7, July 1990, pp. 629-639.
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See Also

`imdiffuseest` | `imfilter` | `imgaussfilt` | `imguidedfilter` | `imnlmfilt` | `locallapfilt`

Introduced in R2018a

imdilate

Dilate image

Syntax

```
J = imdilate(I,SE)
J = imdilate(I,nhood)
J = imdilate( ____,packopt)
J = imdilate( ____,shape)
```

Description

`J = imdilate(I,SE)` dilates the grayscale, binary, or packed binary image `I`, returning the dilated image, `J`. `SE` is a structuring element object or array of structuring element objects, returned by the `strel` or `offsetstrel` functions.

You optionally can perform the dilation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = imdilate(I,nhood)` dilates the image `I`, where `nhood` is a matrix of 0s and 1s that specifies the structuring element neighborhood. `imdilate` determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(nhood)+1)/2)`.

This syntax is equivalent to `imdilate(I,strel(nhood))`.

`J = imdilate(____,packopt)` specifies whether `I` is a packed binary image.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`J = imdilate(____,shape)` specifies the size of the output image.

Examples

Dilate Image with Vertical Line Structuring Element

Read a binary image into the workspace.

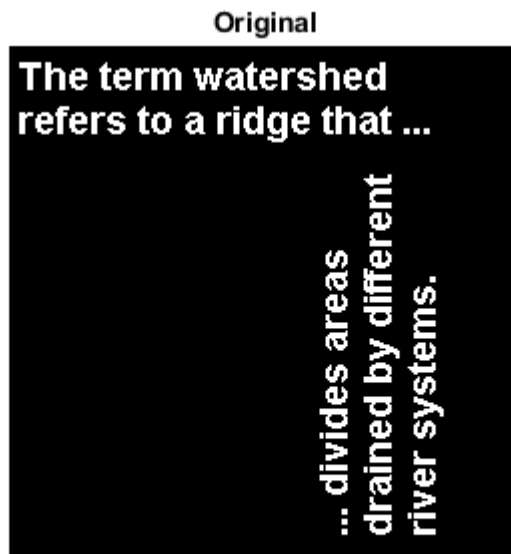
```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Create a vertical line shaped structuring element.

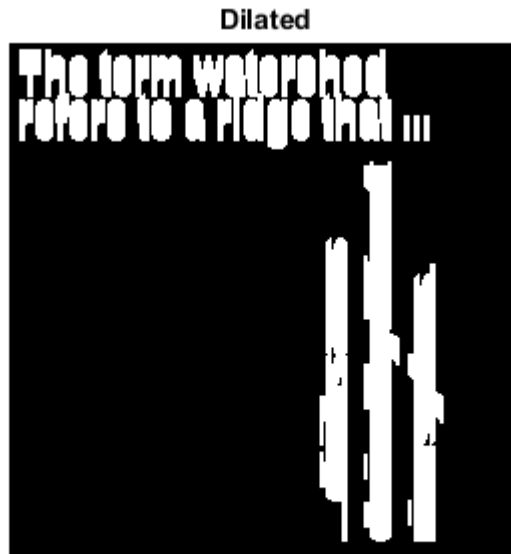
```
se = strel('line',11,90);
```

Dilate the image with a vertical line structuring element and compare the results.

```
BW2 = imdilate(BW,se);  
imshow(BW), title('Original')
```



```
figure, imshow(BW2), title('Dilated')
```



Dilate Grayscale Image with Rolling Ball

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
originalI = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Create a nonflat ball-shaped structuring element.

```
se = offsetstrel('ball',5,5);
```

Dilate the image.

```
dilatedI = imdilate(originalI,se);
```

Display the original image and the dilated image.

```
imshowpair(originalI,dilatedI,'montage')
```



Determine Domain of Composition of Structuring Elements

Create two flat, line-shaped structuring elements, one at 0 degrees and the other at 90 degrees.

```
se1 = strel('line',3,0)
```

```
se1 =  
strel is a line shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Neighborhood: [1 1 1]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

```
se2 = strel('line',3,90)
```

```
se2 =  
strel is a line shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
Neighborhood: [3x1 logical]
Dimensionality: 2
```

Dilate the scalar value 1 with both structuring elements in sequence, using the 'full' option.

```
composition = imdilate(1,[se1 se2], 'full')
```

```
composition = 3x3
```

```
1    1    1
1    1    1
1    1    1
```

Dilate Points in 3D Space Using Spherical Structuring Elements

Create a logical 3D volume with two points.

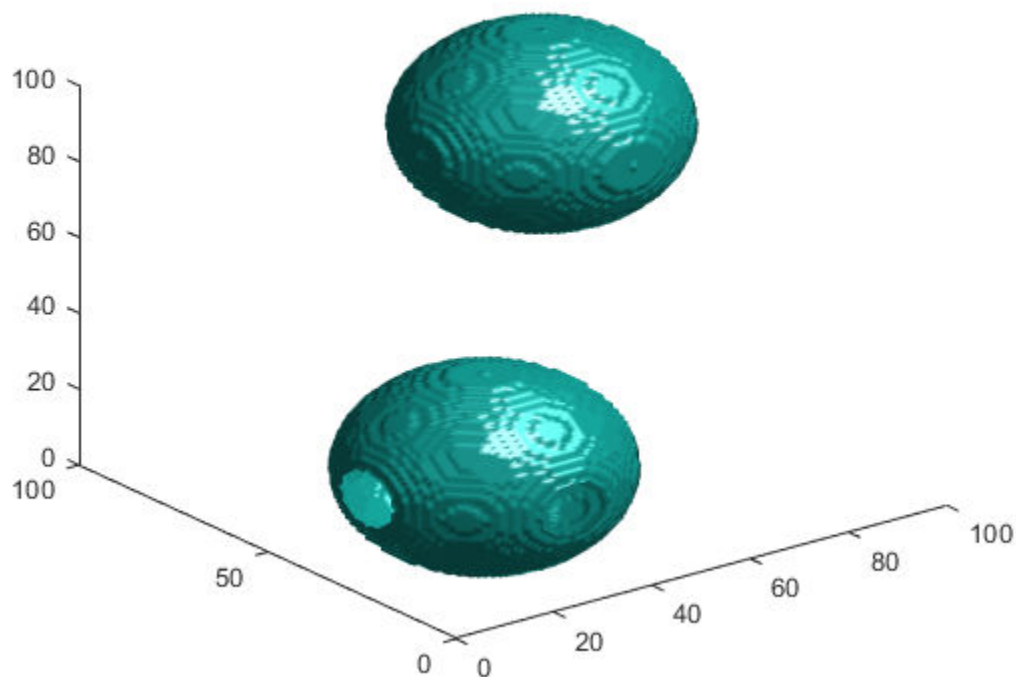
```
BW = false(100,100,100);
BW(25,25,25) = true;
BW(75,75,75) = true;
```

Dilate the 3D volume using a spherical structuring element.

```
se = strel('sphere',25);
dilatedBW = imdilate(BW,se);
```

Visualize the dilated image volume.

```
figure
isosurface(dilatedBW, 0.5)
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

grayscale image | binary image | packed binary image | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a grayscale image, binary image, or packed binary image of any dimension.

To perform the dilation using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains an image of type `uint8` or `logical`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object | `offsetstrel` object | array of `strel` objects | array of `offsetstrel` objects

Structuring element, specified as a scalar `strel` object or `offsetstrel` object. SE can also be an array of `strel` object or `offsetstrel` objects, in which case `imdilate` performs multiple dilations of the input image, using each structuring element in succession.

`imdilate` performs grayscale dilation for all images except images of data type `logical`. In this case, the structuring element must be flat and `imdilate` performs binary dilation.

If you perform the dilation using a GPU, then SE must be flat and two-dimensional.

nhood — Structuring element neighborhood

matrix of 0s and 1s

Structuring element neighborhood, specified as a matrix of 0s and 1s.

Example: `[0 1 0; 1 1 1; 0 1 0]`

packopt — Indicator of packed binary image

`'notpacked'` (default) | `'packed'`

Indicator of packed binary image, specified as one of the following.

Value	Description
<code>'notpacked'</code>	I is treated as a normal array.
<code>'ispacked'</code>	I is treated as a packed binary image as produced by <code>bwpack</code> . I must be a 2-D <code>uint32</code> array and SE must be a flat 2-D structuring element. The value of <code>shape</code> must be <code>'same'</code> .

Note The `packopt` argument is not supported on a GPU.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

shape — Size of output image

'same' (default) | 'full'

Size of the output image, specified as one of the following.

Value	Description
'same'	The output image is the same size as the input image. If the value of <code>packopt</code> is 'ispacked', then shape must be 'same'.
'full'	Compute the full dilation.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

J — Dilated image

grayscale image | binary image | packed binary image | gpuArray

Dilated image, returned as a grayscale image, binary image, or packed binary image. If the input image *I* is packed binary, then *J* is also packed binary. *J* has the same class as *I*.

If the dilation is performed using a GPU, then *J* is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a grayscale or binary image of the same class as *I*.

Definitions

Binary Dilation

The *binary dilation* of *A* by *B*, denoted $A \oplus B$, is defined as the set operation:

$$A \oplus B = \{z \mid (\widehat{B})_z \cap A \neq \emptyset\},$$

where \widehat{B} is the reflection of the structuring element *B*. In other words, it is the set of pixel locations *z*, where the reflected structuring element overlaps with foreground pixels in *A* when translated to *z*. Note that some applications use a definition of dilation in which the structuring element is not reflected.

For more information about binary dilation, see [1] on page 1-1414.

Grayscale Dilation

In the general form of *grayscale dilation*, the structuring element has a height. The grayscale dilation of $A(x, y)$ by $B(x, y)$ is defined as:

$$(A \oplus B)(x, y) = \max\{A(x - x', y - y') + B(x', y') \mid (x', y') \in D_B\},$$

where D_B is the domain of the structuring element B and $A(x, y)$ is assumed to be $-\infty$ outside the domain of the image. To create a structuring element with nonzero height values, use the syntax `strel(nhood, height)`, where `height` gives the height values and `nhood` corresponds to the structuring element domain, D_B .

Most commonly, grayscale dilation is performed with a flat structuring element ($B(x,y) = 0$). Grayscale dilation using such a structuring element is equivalent to a local-maximum operator:

$$(A \oplus B)(x, y) = \max\{A(x - x', y - y') \mid (x', y') \in D_B\}.$$

All of the `strel` syntaxes except for `strel(nhood, height)`, `strel('arbitrary', nhood, height)`, and `strel('ball', ...)` produce flat structuring elements.

Algorithms

`imdilate` automatically takes advantage of the decomposition of a structuring element object (if it exists). Also, when performing binary dilation with a structuring element object that has a decomposition, `imdilate` automatically uses binary image packing to speed up the dilation.

Dilation using bit packing is described in [3].

References

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- [3] van den Boomgard, R, and R. van Balen, "Methods for Fast Morphological Image Transforms Using Bitmapped Images," *Computer Vision, Graphics, and Image Processing: Graphical Models and Image Processing*, Vol. 54, Number 3, pp. 254-258, May 1992.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imdilate` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imdilate` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The input image, `I`, must be 2-D or 3-D.
- The structuring element argument `SE` must be a single element—arrays of structuring elements are not supported. To obtain the same result as that obtained using an array of structuring elements, call the function sequentially.
- When the target is MATLAB Host Computer, the `packopt` and `shape` arguments must be compile-time constants. When the target is any other platform, the `packopt` syntax is not supported.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `gpuArray` input must be of type `uint8` or `logical` and the structuring element `SE` must be flat and two-dimensional.

- The `packopt` argument is not supported on the GPU.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

Functions

`bwpack` | `bwunpack` | `conv2` | `filter2` | `imclose` | `imerode` | `imopen`

Objects

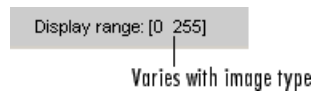
`offsetstrel` | `strel`

Introduced before R2006a

imshow_range

Display Range tool

Use the `imshow_range` function to create a Display Range tool. The Display Range tool shows the display range of the grayscale image or images in the figure.



Syntax

```
imshow_range
imshow_range(h)
imshow_range(hparent,himage)
htool = imshow_range( ___ )
```

Description

`imshow_range` creates a Display Range tool in the current figure.

`imshow_range(h)` creates a Display Range tool in the figure specified by the handle `h`.

`imshow_range(hparent,himage)` creates a Display Range tool in `hparent` that shows the display range of `himage`.

`htool = imshow_range(___)` returns a handle to the Display Range tool uipanel.

Examples

Create Display Range Tool

Display an image and include the Display Range tool.

```
imshow('bag.png');  
imshow;
```

Import a 16-bit DICOM image and display it with its default range and scaled range in the same figure.

```
dcm = dicomread('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm');  
subplot(1,2,1), imshow(dcm);  
subplot(1,2,2), imshow(dcm,[]);  
imshow;
```

Input Arguments

h — Handle to graphics object

handle

Handle to a figure, axes, uipanel, or image graphics object, specified as a handle. Axes, uipanel, or figure objects must contain at least one image object.

hparent — Handle to figure or uipanel object

handle

Handle to a figure or uipanel object that contains the Display Range tool, specified as a handle.

himage — Handle to images

handle | array of handles

Handle to one or more images, specified as a handle or an array of image handles.

Output Arguments

htool — Handle to Display Range tool

handle

Handle to Display Range tool uipanel, returned as a handle.

Tips

- The Display Range tool is a uipanel object, positioned in the lower-right corner of the figure. It contains the label **Display range:** followed by the display range values for the image.
- For an indexed, truecolor, or binary image, the display range is not applicable and is set to empty ([]).
- The Display Range tool can work with multiple images in a figure. When the pointer is not in an image in a figure, the Display Range tool displays [black white].

See Also

imshow

Introduced before R2006a

imdistline

Distance tool

Description

An `imdistline` object is a type of `imline` that encapsulates a Distance tool, which consists of an interactive line over an image, paired with a text label that displays the distance between the line endpoints.

You can adjust the size and position of the line by using the mouse. The line also has a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior. For more information, see “Usage” on page 1-1654.

Creation

Syntax

```
h = imdistline
h = imdistline(hparent)
h = imdistline( ____, x, y)
```

Description

`h = imdistline` creates a Distance tool on the current axes. The function returns `h`, a handle to an `imdistline` object.

`h = imdistline(hparent)` creates a draggable Distance tool on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = imdistline(____, x, y)` creates a Distance tool with endpoints at the positions specified by `x` and `y`.

Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to parent object

handle

Handle to parent object, specified as a handle. The parent is typically an axes object, but can also be any other object that can be the parent of an `hggroup` object.

x — x-coordinates of endpoints

2-element numeric vector

x-coordinates of endpoints, specified as a 2-element numeric vector.

Example: `h = imdistline(gca,[10 100],[20 40]);` sets the first endpoint at the (x, y) coordinate (10, 20) and the second endpoint at the coordinate (100, 40).

y — y-coordinates of endpoints

2-element numeric vector

y-coordinates of endpoints, specified as a 2-element numeric vector.

Example: `h = imdistline(gca,[10 100],[20 40]);` sets the first endpoint at the (x, y) coordinate (10, 20) and the second endpoint at the coordinate (100, 40).

Properties

Deletable — ROI can be deleted


true (default) | false


ROI can be deleted, specified as `true` or `false`.

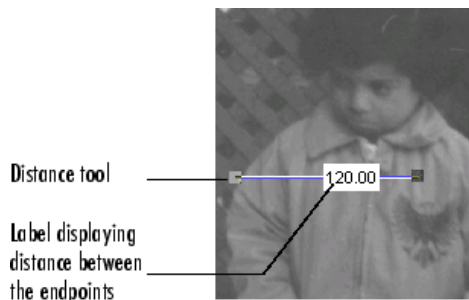
Data Types: `logical`

Usage

To move the Distance tool, position the pointer over the line, the shape changes to the

fleur, . Click and drag the line using the mouse. To resize the Distance tool, move the pointer over either of the endpoints of the line, the shape changes to the pointing finger,

. Click and drag the endpoint of the line using the mouse.



The line also supports a context menu that allows you to control various aspects of its functioning and appearance. Right-click the line to access the context menu.

Distance Tool Behavior	Context Menu Item
Export endpoint and distance data to the workspace	Select Export to Workspace from the context menu.
Toggle the distance label on/off.	Select Show Distance Label from the context menu.
Specify horizontal and vertical drag constraints	Select Constrain Drag from the context menu.
Change the color used to display the line.	Select Set Color from the context menu.
Delete the Distance tool object	Select Delete from the context menu.

Object Functions

addNewPositionCallback	Add new-position callback to ROI object
createMask	Create mask within image
delete	Delete handle object
getAngleFromHorizontal	Return angle between Distance tool and horizontal axis
getColor	Get color used to draw ROI object
getDistance	Return distance between endpoints of Distance tool
getLabelHandle	Return handle to text label of Distance tool
getLabelTextFormatter	Return format of text label of Distance tool
getLabelVisible	Return visibility of text label of Distance tool

getPosition	Return current position of ROI object
getPositionConstraintFcn	Return function handle to current position constraint function
removeNewPositionCallback	Remove new-position callback from ROI object
resume	(Not recommended) Resume execution of MATLAB command line
setColor	Set color used to draw ROI object
setConstrainedPosition	Set ROI object to new position
setLabelTextFormatter	Set format used to display text label of Distance tool
setLabelVisible	Set visibility of text label of Distance tool
setPosition	Move ROI object to new position
setPositionConstraintFcn	Set position constraint function of ROI object
wait	(Not recommended) Block MATLAB command line until ROI creation is finished

Note Each function that accepts an `imline` also accepts an `imdistline`. These objects define position in the same way.

Examples

Insert Distance Tool into an Image

Insert a Distance tool into an image. Use `makeConstrainToRectFcn` to specify a drag constraint function that prevents the Distance tool from being dragged outside the extent of the image. Right-click the Distance tool and explore the context menu options.

```
imshow('pout.tif');
h = imdistline;
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('imline',...
                             get(gca,'XLim'),get(gca,'YLim'));
setDragConstraintFcn(h,fcn);
```

Position Endpoints of Distance Tool

Position endpoints of the Distance tool at the specified locations.

```
imshow('pout.tif');
h = imdistline(gca,[10 100],[10 100]);
```

Delete the Distance tool.

```
delete(h)
```

Use Distance Tool with Spatial Referencing

Use the Distance tool with `XData` and `YData` of associated image in non-pixel units. This example requires the `boston.tif` image from the Mapping Toolbox™ software, which includes material copyrighted by GeoEye™, all rights reserved.

```
start_row = 1478;
end_row = 2246;
meters_per_pixel = 1;
rows = [start_row meters_per_pixel end_row];
start_col = 349;
end_col = 1117;
cols = [start_col meters_per_pixel end_col];
img = imread('boston.tif', 'PixelRegion', {rows, cols});
figure;
hImg = imshow(img);
title('1 meter per pixel');
```

Specify the initial position of distance tool on Harvard Bridge.

```
hline = imdistline(gca, [271 471], [108 650]);
setLabelTextFormatter(hline, '%02.0f meters');
```

Repeat the process but work with a 2 meter per pixel sampled image. Verify that the same distance is obtained.

```
meters_per_pixel = 2;
rows = [start_row meters_per_pixel end_row];
cols = [start_col meters_per_pixel end_col];
img = imread('boston.tif', 'PixelRegion', {rows, cols});
figure;
hImg = imshow(img);
title('2 meters per pixel');
```

Convert `XData` and `YData` to meters using conversion factor.

```
XDataInMeters = get(hImg, 'XData') * meters_per_pixel;
YDataInMeters = get(hImg, 'YData') * meters_per_pixel;
```

Set `XData` and `YData` of the image to reflect desired units.

```
set(hImg, 'XData', XDataInMeters, 'YData', YDataInMeters);
set(gca, 'XLim', XDataInMeters, 'YLim', YDataInMeters);
```

Specify the initial position of distance tool on Harvard Bridge.

```
hline = imdistline(gca, [271 471], [108 650]);
setLabelTextFormatter(hline, '%02.0f meters');
```

Tips

- If you use `imdistline` with an axes that contains an image object, and do not specify a drag constraint function, users can drag the line outside the extent of the image. When used with an axes created by the `plot` function, the axes limits automatically expand to accommodate the movement of the line.

See Also

`imline` | `imroi` | `makeConstrainToRectFcn`

Introduced before R2006a

imdivide

Divide one image into another or divide image by constant

Syntax

```
Z = imdivide(X,Y)
```

Description

`Z = imdivide(X,Y)` divides each element in the array `X` by the corresponding element in array `Y` and returns the result in the corresponding element of the output array `Z`.

If `X` is an integer array, elements in the output that exceed the range of integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

Examples

Divide Two uint8 Arrays

This example shows how to divide two `uint8` arrays.

```
X = uint8([ 255 0 75; 44 225 100]);  
Y = uint8([ 50 50 50; 50 50 50 ]);
```

Divide each element in `X` by the corresponding element in `Y`. Note that fractional values greater than or equal to 0.5 are rounded up to the nearest integer.

```
Z = imdivide(X,Y)
```

```
Z = 2x3 uint8 matrix
```

```
5   0   2  
1   5   2
```


Divide each element in Y by the corresponding element in X. Note that when dividing by zero, the output is truncated to the range of the integer type.

```
W = imdivide(Y,X)
```

```
W = 2x3 uint8 matrix
```

```
    0   255    1
    1     0    1
```

Divide Image Background

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Estimate the background.

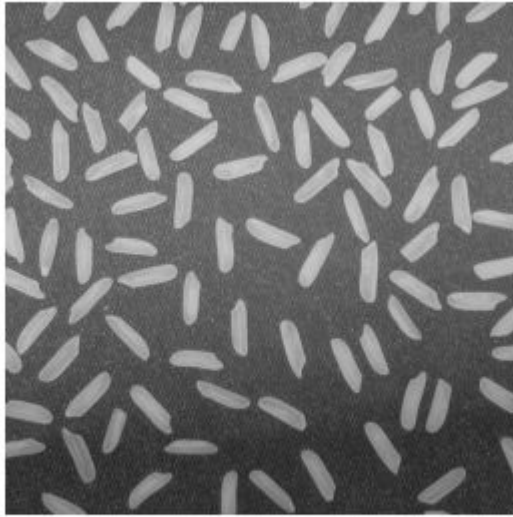
```
background = imopen(I,strel('disk',15));
```

Divide out the background from the image.

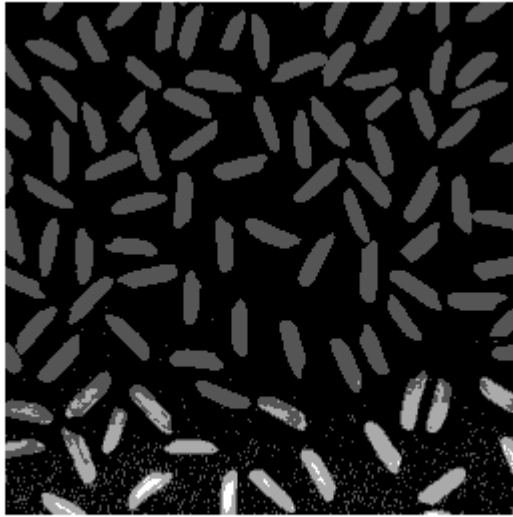
```
J = imdivide(I,background);
```

Display the original image and the processed image.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(J,[])
```



Divide an Image by a Constant Factor

Read an image into the workspace.

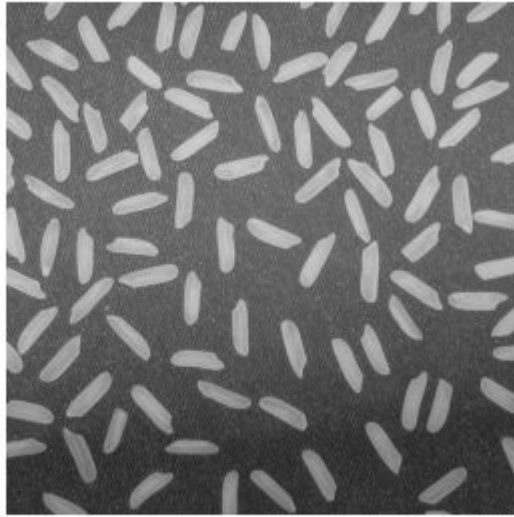
```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Divide each value of the image by a constant factor of 2.

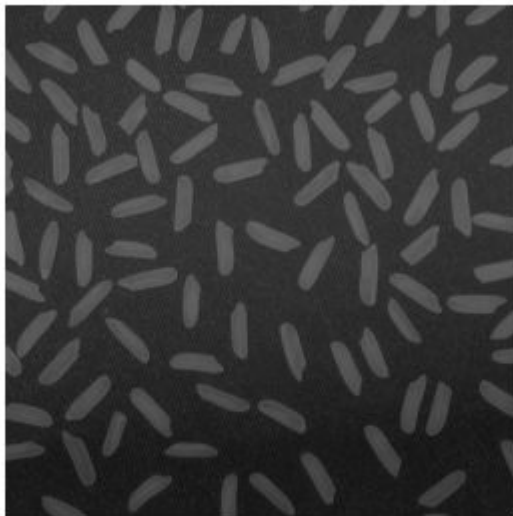
```
J = imdivide(I,2);
```

Display the original image and the processed image.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Input Arguments

X — First array

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

First array (dividend), specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array of any dimension.

Y — Second array

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

Second array (divisor) to be divided from X, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array. Y either has the same size and class as X, or Y is a scalar of type double.

Output Arguments

Z — Quotient

numeric array

Quotient, returned as a numeric array of the same size as *X*. *Z* is the same class as *X* unless *X* is logical, in which case *Z* is data type `double`. If *X* is an integer array, elements of the output that exceed the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

See Also

`imabsdiff` | `imadd` | `imcomplement` | `imlincomb` | `immultiply` | `imsubtract`

Introduced before R2006a

imellipse

Create draggable ellipse

Note `imellipse` is not recommended. Use `drawellipse` instead.

Description

An `imellipse` object encapsulates an interactive ellipse over an image.

You can adjust the size and position of the ellipse by using the mouse. The ellipse also has a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior. For more information, see “Usage” on page 1-1435.

Creation

Syntax

```
h = imellipse
h = imellipse(hparent)
h = imellipse(hparent,position)
h = imellipse( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = imellipse` begins interactive placement of an ellipse on the current axes, and returns an `imellipse` object.

`h = imellipse(hparent)` begins interactive placement of an ellipse on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = imellipse(hparent,position)` creates a draggable ellipse at the position `position` on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = imellipse(____, Name, Value)` specifies name-value pairs that control the behavior of the ellipse.

Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to parent object

handle

Handle to parent object, specified as a handle. The parent is typically an axes object, but can also be any other object that can be the parent of an `hggroup` object.

position — Position of ellipse

4-element vector

Position of the ellipse as defined by a bounding rectangle, specified as a 4-element vector of the form `[xmin ymin width height]`. The initial size of the bounding rectangle is width-by-height, and the upper-left corner of the rectangle is at the (x,y) coordinate (xmin,ymin).

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name, Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

PositionConstraintFcn — Position constraint function

function handle

Position constraint function, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'PositionConstraintFcn' and a function handle. `fcn` is called whenever the mouse is dragged. You can use this function to control where the ellipse can be dragged. See the help for the `setPositionConstraintFcn` function for information about valid function handles.

Properties

Deletable — ROI can be deleted

true (default) | false

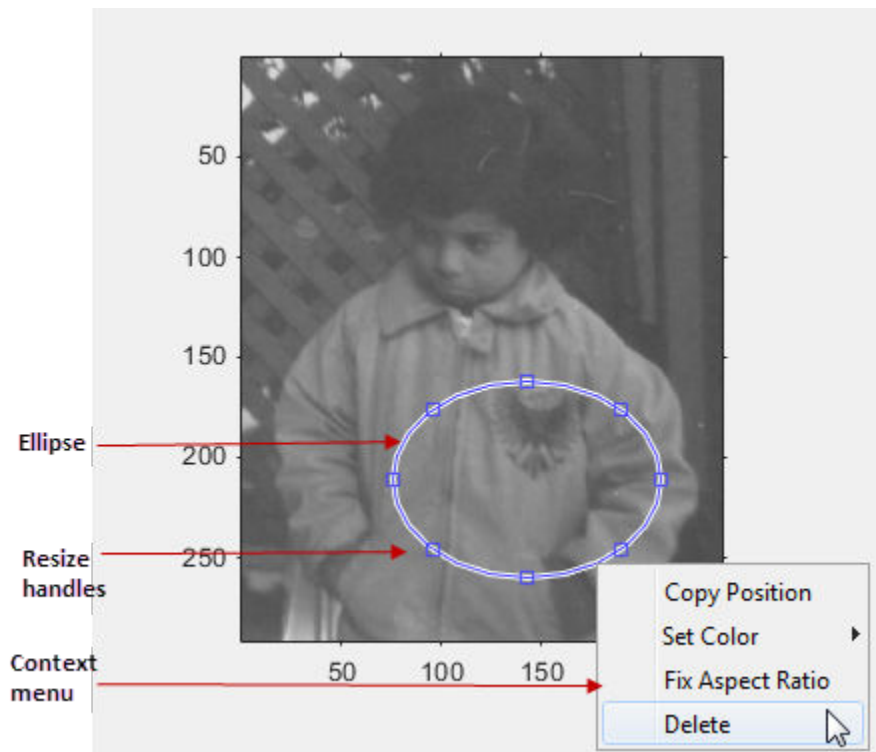
ROI can be deleted, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `logical`



Usage

When you call `imellipse` with an interactive syntax, the pointer changes to a cross hairs

⊕ when over an image. Click and drag the mouse to specify the size and position of the ellipse. The ellipse also supports a context menu that you can use to control aspects of its appearance and behavior. Right-click on the ellipse to access this context menu.



The table lists the interactive behavior supported by `imellipse`.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Moving the entire ellipse.	Move the pointer inside the ellipse. The pointer changes to a fleur shape  . Click and drag the mouse to move the ellipse.
Resizing the ellipse.	Move the pointer over a resizing handle on the ellipse. The pointer changes to a double-ended arrow shape  . Click and drag the mouse to resize the ellipse.
Changing the color used to display the ellipse.	Move the pointer inside the ellipse. Right-click and select Set Color from the context menu.
Retrieving the current position of the ellipse.	Move the pointer inside the ellipse. Right-click and select Copy Position from the context menu. <code>imellipse</code> copies a four-element position vector <code>[xmin ymin width height]</code> to the clipboard.
Preserving the current aspect ratio of the ellipse during resizing.	Move the pointer inside the ellipse. Right-click and select Fix Aspect Ratio from the context menu.
Deleting the ellipse	Move the pointer inside the ellipse. Right-click and select Delete from the context menu. To remove this option from the context menu, set the <code>Deletable</code> property to <code>false</code> : <code>h = imellipse(); h.Deletable = false;</code>

Object Functions

Each `imellipse` object supports a number of methods. Type methods `imellipse` to see a complete list.

<code>addNewPositionCallback</code>	Add new-position callback to ROI object
<code>createMask</code>	Create mask within image
<code>delete</code>	Delete handle object
<code>getColor</code>	Get color used to draw ROI object
<code>getPosition</code>	Return current position of ROI object
<code>getPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Return function handle to current position constraint function
<code>getVertices</code>	Return vertices on perimeter of ellipse ROI object
<code>removeNewPositionCallback</code>	Remove new-position callback from ROI object

resume	(Not recommended) Resume execution of MATLAB command line
setColor	Set color used to draw ROI object
setConstrainedPosition	Set ROI object to new position
setFixedAspectRatioMode	Preserve aspect ratio when resizing ROI object
setPosition	Move ROI object to new position
setPositionConstraintFcn	Set position constraint function of ROI object
setResizable	Set resize behavior of ROI object
wait	(Not recommended) Block MATLAB command line until ROI creation is finished

Examples

Update Title when Ellipse Moves

Create an ellipse, using callbacks to display the updated position in the title of the figure. The example illustrates using the `makeConstrainToRectFcn` to keep the ellipse inside the original `XLim` and `YLim` ranges.

```
imshow('coins.png')
h = imellipse(gca,[10 10 100 100]);
addNewPositionCallback(h,@(p) title(mat2str(p,3)));
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('imellipse',get(gca,'XLim'),get(gca,'YLim'));
setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn);
```

Click and Drag to Place Ellipse

Interactively place an ellipse by clicking and dragging. Use `wait` to block the MATLAB command line. Double-click on the ellipse to resume execution of the MATLAB command line.

```
imshow('coins.png')
h = imellipse;
position = wait(h);
```

Tips

If you use `imellipse` with an axes that contains an image object, and do not specify a position constraint function, users can drag the ellipse outside the extent of the image

and lose the ellipse. When used with an axes created by the `plot` function, the axes limits automatically expand to accommodate the movement of the ellipse.

See Also

`imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect` | `imroi` | `iptgetapi` |
`makeConstrainToRectFcn`

Introduced in R2007b

imerode

Erode image

Syntax

```
J = imerode(I,SE)
J = imerode(I,nhood)
J = imerode( ____,packopt,m)
J = imerode( ____,shape)
```

Description

`J = imerode(I,SE)` erodes the grayscale, binary, or packed binary image `I`, returning the eroded image, `J`. `SE` is a structuring element object or array of structuring element objects, returned by the `strel` or `offsetstrel` functions.

You optionally can perform the erosion using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = imerode(I,nhood)` erodes the image `I`, where `nhood` is a matrix of 0s and 1s that specifies the structuring element neighborhood. The `imerode` function determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(nhood)+1)/2)`.

This syntax is equivalent to `imerode(I,strel(nhood))`.

`J = imerode(____,packopt,m)` specifies whether input image `I` is a packed binary image. `m` specifies the row dimension of the original unpacked image.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`J = imerode(____,shape)` specifies the size of the output image.

Examples

Erode Binary Image with Line Structuring Element

Read binary image into the workspace.

```
originalBW = imread('text.png');
```

Create a flat, line-shaped structuring element.

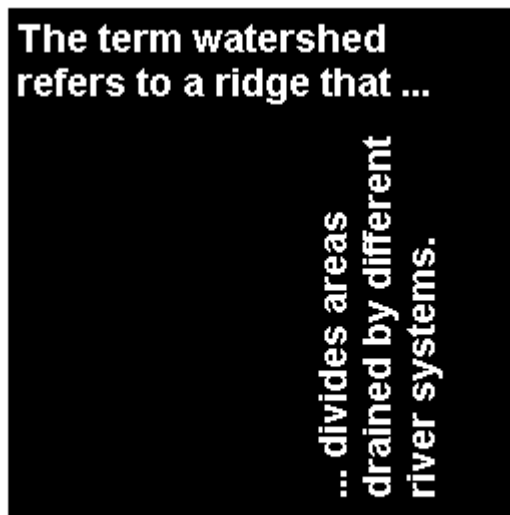
```
se = strel('line',11,90);
```

Erode the image with the structuring element.

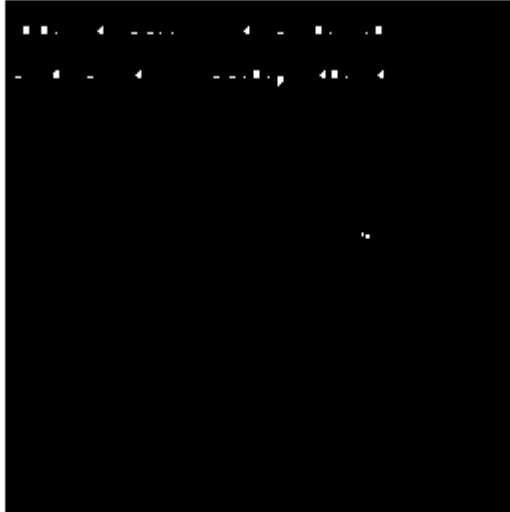
```
erodedBW = imerode(originalBW,se);
```

View the original image and the eroded image.

```
figure  
imshow(originalBW)
```



```
figure
imshow(erodedBW)
```



Erode Grayscale Image with Rolling Ball

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

```
originalI = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Create a nonflat offsetstrel object.

```
se = offsetstrel('ball',5,5);
```

Erode the image.

```
erodedI = imerode(originalI,se);
```

Display original image and eroded image.

```
figure  
imshow(originalI)
```



```
figure  
imshow(erodedI)
```




Erode MRI Stack Volume Using Cubic Structuring Element

Create a binary volume.

```
load mristack  
BW = mristack < 100;
```

Create a cubic structuring element.

```
se = strel('cube',3)
```

```
se =  
strel is a cube shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Neighborhood: [3x3x3 logical]  
    Dimensionality: 3
```

Erode the volume with a cubic structuring element.

```
erodedBW = imerode(BW, se);
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

grayscale image | binary image | packed binary image | `gpuArray`

Input image, specified as a grayscale image, binary image, or packed binary image of any dimension.

To perform the erosion using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains an image of type `uint8` or `logical`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object | `offsetstrel` object | array of `strel` objects | array of `offsetstrel` objects

Structuring element, specified as a scalar `strel` object or `offsetstrel` object. **SE** can also be an array of `strel` object or `offsetstrel` objects, in which case `imerode` performs multiple erosions of the input image, using each structuring element in succession.

`imerode` performs grayscale erosion for all images except images of data type `logical`. In this case, the structuring element must be flat and `imerode` performs binary erosion.

If you perform the erosion using a GPU, then **SE** must be flat and two-dimensional.

nhood — Structuring element neighborhood

matrix of 0s and 1s

Structuring element neighborhood, specified as a matrix of 0s and 1s.

Example: `[0 1 0; 1 1 1; 0 1 0]`

packopt — Indicator of packed binary image

'notpacked' (default) | 'packed'

Indicator of packed binary image, specified as one of the following.

Value	Description
'notpacked'	I is treated as a normal array.
'ispacked'	I is treated as a packed binary image as produced by <code>bwpack</code> . I must be a 2-D <code>uint32</code> array and SE must be a flat 2-D structuring element. The value of <code>shape</code> must be 'same'.

Note The `packopt` argument is not supported on a GPU.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

m — Row dimension of original unpacked image

positive integer

Row dimension of the original unpacked image, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `double`

shape — Size of output image

'same' (default) | 'full'

Size of the output image, specified as one of the following.

Value	Description
'same'	The output image is the same size as the input image. If the value of <code>packopt</code> is 'ispacked', then <code>shape</code> must be 'same'.
'full'	Compute the full erosion.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

J — Eroded image

grayscale image | binary image | packed binary image | `gpuArray`

Eroded image, returned as a grayscale image, binary image, or packed binary image. If the input image *I* is packed binary, then *J* is also packed binary. *J* has the same class as *I*.

If the erosion is performed using a GPU, then *J* is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a grayscale or binary image of the same class as *I*.

Definitions

Binary Erosion

The *binary erosion* of *A* by *B*, denoted $A \ominus B$, is defined as the set operation $A \ominus B = \{z \mid B_z \subseteq A\}$. In other words, it is the set of pixel locations *z*, where the structuring element translated to location *z* overlaps only with foreground pixels in *A*.

For more information on binary erosion, see [1] on page 1-1447.

Grayscale Erosion

In the general form of *grayscale erosion*, the structuring element has a height. The grayscale erosion of $A(x, y)$ by $B(x, y)$ is defined as:

$$(A \ominus B)(x, y) = \min \{A(x + x', y + y') - B(x', y') \mid (x', y') \in D_B\},$$

D_B is the domain of the structuring element *B* and $A(x, y)$ is assumed to be $+\infty$ outside the domain of the image. To create a structuring element with nonzero height values, use the syntax `strel(nhood, height)`, where `height` gives the height values and `nhood` corresponds to the structuring element domain, D_B .

Most commonly, grayscale erosion is performed with a flat structuring element ($B(x, y) = 0$). Grayscale erosion using such a structuring element is equivalent to a local-minimum operator:

$$(A \ominus B)(x, y) = \min \{A(x + x', y + y') \mid (x', y') \in D_B\}.$$

All of the `strel` syntaxes except for `strel(nhood, height)`, `strel('arbitrary', nhood, height)`, and `strel('ball', ...)` produce flat structuring elements.

Algorithms

imerode automatically takes advantage of the decomposition of a structuring element object (if a decomposition exists). Also, when performing binary erosion with a structuring element object that has a decomposition, imerode automatically uses binary image packing to speed up the erosion.

Erosion using bit packing is described in [3].

References

- [1] Gonzalez, R. C., R. E. Woods, and S. L. Eddins, *Digital Image Processing Using MATLAB*, Gatesmark Publishing, 2009.
- [2] Haralick, Robert M., and Linda G. Shapiro, *Computer and Robot Vision*, Vol. I, Addison-Wesley, 1992, pp. 158-205.
- [3] van den Boomgard, R, and R. van Balen, "Methods for Fast Morphological Image Transforms Using Bitmapped Images," *Computer Vision, Graphics, and Image Processing: Graphical Models and Image Processing*, Vol. 54, Number 3, pp. 254-258, May 1992.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- imerode supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, imerode generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The input image, I, must be 2-D or 3-D.

- The structuring element argument `SE` must be a single element—arrays of structuring elements are not supported. To obtain the same result as that obtained using an array of structuring elements, call the function sequentially.
- When the target is `MATLAB Host Computer`, the `packopt` and `shape` arguments must be compile-time constants. When the target is any other platform, the `packopt` syntax is not supported.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `gpuArray` input must be of type `uint8` or `logical` and the structuring element `SE` must be flat and two-dimensional.
- The `packopt` argument is not supported on the GPU.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

Functions

`bwpack` | `bwunpack` | `conv2` | `filter2` | `imclose` | `imdilate` | `imopen`

Objects

`offsetstrel` | `strel`

Introduced before R2006a

imextendedmax

Extended-maxima transform

Syntax

```
BW = imextendedmax(I,H)
BW = imextendedmax(I,H,conn)
```

Description

`BW = imextendedmax(I,H)` returns the extended-maxima transform for `I`, which is the regional maxima of the `H`-maxima transform. Regional maxima are connected components of pixels with a constant intensity value, and whose external boundary pixels all have a lower value.

`BW = imextendedmax(I,H,conn)` computes the extended-maxima transform, where `conn` specifies the pixel connectivity.

Examples

Perform Extended-Maxima transform

Read image into workspace.

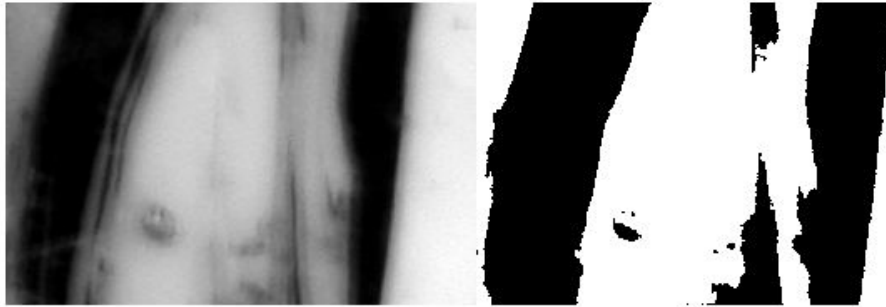
```
I = imread('glass.png');
```

Calculate the extended-maxima transform.

```
BW = imextendedmax(I,80);
```

Display original image and transformed image side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(I,BW,'montage')
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array

Input image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Example: `I = imread('glass.png');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

H — H-maxima transform

nonnegative scalar

H-maxima transform, specified as a nonnegative scalar.

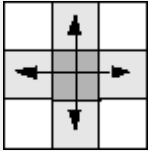
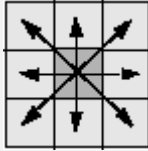
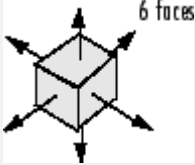
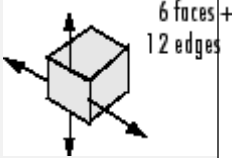
Example: `BW = imextendedmax(I,80);`

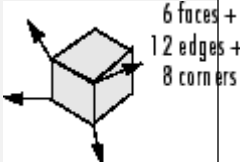
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

conn — Pixel connectivity

`4` | `8` | `6` | `18` | `26` | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	

For higher dimensions, `imextendedmax` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(I), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

BW — Transformed image

logical array

Transformed image, returned as a logical array the same size as `I`.

References

- [1] Soille, P. *Morphological Image Analysis: Principles and Applications*. Springer-Verlag, 1999, pp. 170-171.

Extended Capabilities

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Usage notes and limitations:

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- When generating code, the optional third input argument, `conn`, must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`conndef` | `imextendedmin` | `imhmax` | `imreconstruct` | `imregionalmax`

Introduced before R2006a

imextendedmin

Extended-minima transform

Syntax

```
BW = imextendedmin(I,H)
BW = imextendedmin(I,H,conn)
```

Description

`BW = imextendedmin(I,H)` computes the extended-minima transform, which is the regional minima of the H-minima transform. Regional minima are connected components of pixels with a constant intensity value, and whose external boundary pixels all have a higher value. `h` is a nonnegative scalar.

`BW = imextendedmin(I,H,conn)` computes the extended-minima transform, which is the regional minima of the H-minima transform.

Examples

Perform Extended-Minima transform

Read image into the workspace.

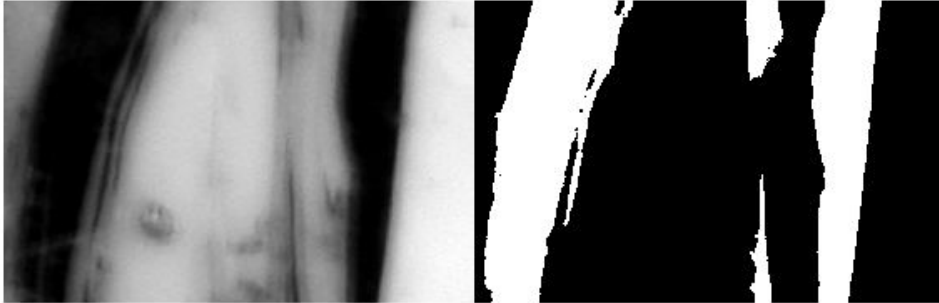
```
I = imread('glass.png');
```

Calculate the extended-minima transform.

```
BW = imextendedmin(I,50);
```

Display the original image and the transformation side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(I,BW,'montage');
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array

Input array, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Example: `I = imread('glass.png');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

H — H-minima transform

nonnegative scalar

H-minima transform, specified as a nonnegative scalar.

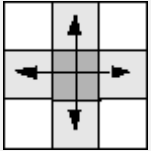
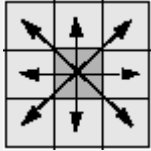
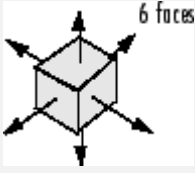
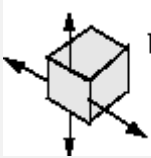
Example: `BW = imextendedmin(I,80);`

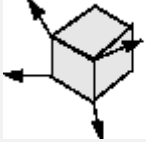
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

conn — Pixel connectivity

`4` | `8` | `6` | `18` | `26` | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

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Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	 <p>6 faces</p>
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges</p>

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `imextendedmin` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(I), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

BW — Transformed image

logical array

Transformed image, returned as a logical array the same size as `I`.

References

- [1] Soille, P. *Morphological Image Analysis: Principles and Applications*. Springer-Verlag, 1999, pp. 170-171.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imextendedmin` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `imextendedmin` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the optional third input argument, `conn`, must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`conndef` | `imextendedmax` | `imhmin` | `imreconstruct` | `imregionalmin`

Introduced before R2006a

imfill

Fill image regions and holes

Syntax

```
BW2 = imfill(BW,locations)
BW2 = imfill(BW,locations,conn)
BW2 = imfill(BW,'holes')
BW2 = imfill(BW,conn,'holes')

I2 = imfill(I)
I2 = imfill(I,conn)

BW2 = imfill(BW)
BW2 = imfill(BW,0,conn)
[BW2, locations_out] = imfill(BW)
```

Description

`BW2 = imfill(BW,locations)` performs a flood-fill operation on background pixels of the input binary image `BW`, starting from the points specified in `locations`.

You optionally can perform the flood-fill operation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`BW2 = imfill(BW,locations,conn)` fills the area defined by `locations`, where `conn` specifies the connectivity.

`BW2 = imfill(BW,'holes')` fills holes in the input binary image `BW`. In this syntax, a hole is a set of background pixels that cannot be reached by filling in the background from the edge of the image.

`BW2 = imfill(BW,conn,'holes')` fills holes in the binary image `BW`, where `conn` specifies the connectivity.

`I2 = imfill(I)` fills holes in the grayscale image `I`. In this syntax, a hole is defined as an area of dark pixels surrounded by lighter pixels.

`I2 = imfill(I,conn)` fills holes in the grayscale image `I`, where `conn` specifies the connectivity.

`BW2 = imfill(BW)` displays the binary image `BW` on the screen and lets you define the region to fill by selecting points interactively with the mouse. To use this syntax, `BW` must be a 2-D image.

Press **Backspace** or **Delete** to remove the previously selected point. Shift-click, right-click, or double-click to select a final point and start the fill operation. Press **Return** to finish the selection without adding a point.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`BW2 = imfill(BW,0,conn)` lets you override the default connectivity as you interactively specify locations.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`[BW2, locations_out] = imfill(BW)` returns the locations of points selected interactively in `locations_out`. To use this syntax, `BW` must be a 2-D image.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

Examples

Fill Image from Specified Starting Point

```
BW1 = logical([1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
               1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0
               1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0
               1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
               1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1
               1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0
               1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0
               1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0]);
```

```
BW2 = imfill(BW1,[3 3],8)
```

```
BW2 = 8x8 logical array
```

```
1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

```
1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0
1 1 1 1 1 0 1 0
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0
1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
1 0 0 1 1 1 1 0
1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
```

Fill Holes in a Binary Image

Read image into workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
figure
imshow(I)
title('Original Image')
```

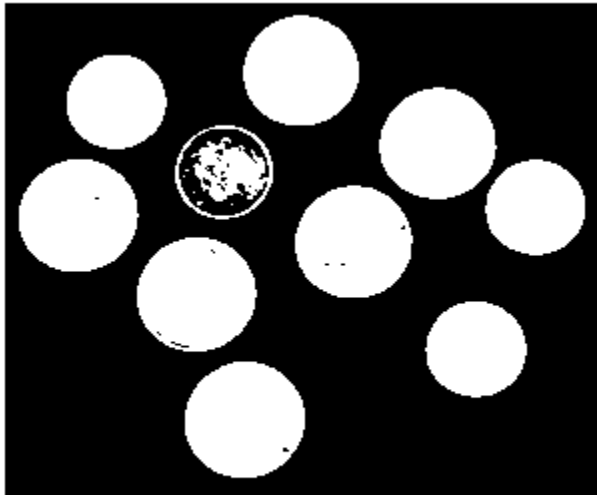
Original Image



Convert image to binary image.

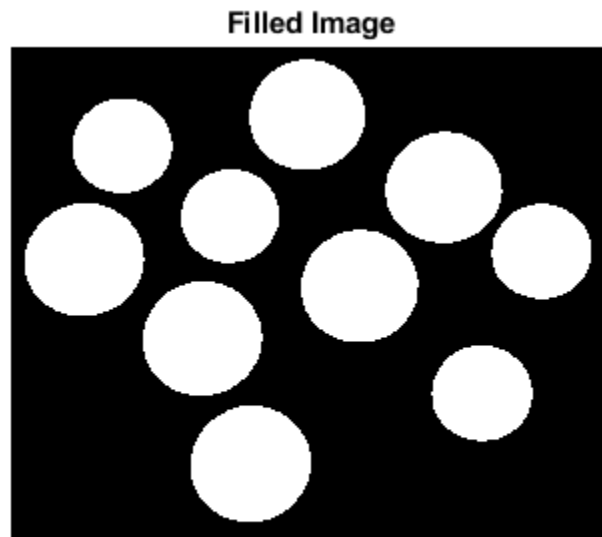
```
BW = imbinarize(I);  
figure  
imshow(BW)  
title('Original Image Converted to Binary Image')
```

Original Image Converted to Binary Image



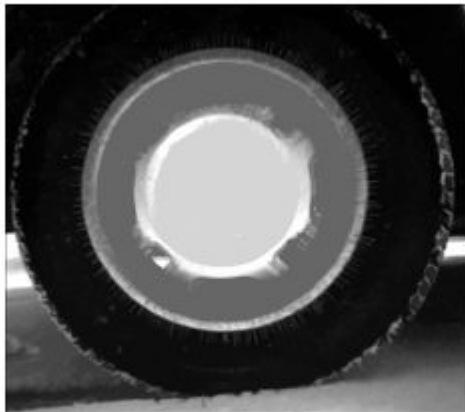
Fill holes in the binary image and display the result.

```
BW2 = imfill(BW, 'holes');  
figure  
imshow(BW2)  
title('Filled Image')
```



Fill Holes in a Grayscale Image

```
I = imread('tire.tif');  
I2 = imfill(I);  
figure, imshow(I), figure, imshow(I2)
```



Fill Operation on a GPU

Create a simple sample binary image.

```
BW1 = logical([1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
               1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0
               1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0
               1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
               1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1
               1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0
               1 0 0 0 1 0 1 0
               1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0])
```

BW1 =

```

1   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
1   1   1   1   1   0   0   0
1   0   0   0   1   0   1   0
1   0   0   0   1   1   1   0
1   1   1   1   0   1   1   1
1   0   0   1   1   0   1   0
1   0   0   0   1   0   1   0
1   0   0   0   1   1   1   0
```

Create a gpuArray.

```
BW1 = gpuArray(BW1);
```

Fill in the background of the image from a specified starting location.

```
BW2 = imfill(BW1,[3 3],8)
```

BW2 =

```

1   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
1   1   1   1   1   0   0   0
1   1   1   1   1   0   1   0
1   1   1   1   1   1   1   0
1   1   1   1   1   1   1   1
1   0   0   1   1   1   1   0
```

```
1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
1 0 0 0 1 1 1 0
```

Input Arguments

BW — Input binary image

logical array | gpuArray

Input binary image, specified as a logical array of any dimension.

To fill image regions and holes using a GPU, specify **BW** as a `gpuArray` that contains a real, nonsparse, logical array of any dimension.

Example: `BW = imread('text.png');`

Example: `BW = gpuArray(imread('text.png'));`

Data Types: `logical`

locations — Linear indices identifying pixel locations

numeric vector of positive integers | 2-D numeric matrix of positive integers

Linear indices identifying pixel locations, specified as a numeric vector or 2-D numeric matrix of positive integers. If `locations` is a p -by-1 vector, then it contains the linear indices of the starting locations. If `locations` is a p -by-`ndims`(**BW**) matrix, then each row contains the array indices of one of the starting locations.

Example: `[3 3]`

Data Types: `double`

I — Input grayscale image

numeric array | gpuArray

Input grayscale image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

To fill image regions and holes using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains a real, nonsparse, numeric array of any dimension.

Example: `I = imread('cameraman.tif');`

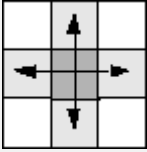
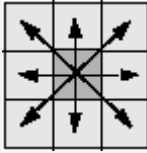
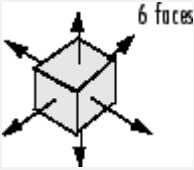
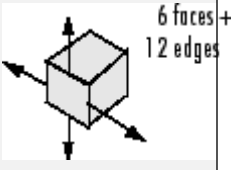
Example: `I = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));`

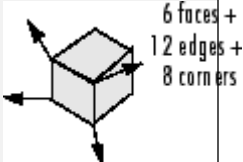
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 4 for 2-D images, and 6 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	

For higher dimensions, `imfill` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(BW), 'minimal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

BW2 — Filled image

`logical array` | `gpuArray`

Filled image, returned as logical array.

If image regions and holes are filled using a GPU, then `BW2` is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a logical array.

locations_out — Linear indices of pixel locations

`numeric vector` | `numeric matrix`

Linear indices of pixel locations, returned as a numeric vector or matrix.

I2 — Filled grayscale image

`numeric array` | `gpuArray`

Filled grayscale image, returned as a numeric array.

If image regions and holes are filled using a GPU, then `I2` is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric array.

Algorithms

`imfill` uses an algorithm based on morphological reconstruction [1].

References

[1] Soille, P., *Morphological Image Analysis: Principles and Applications*, Springer-Verlag, 1999, pp. 173-174.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imfill` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `imfill` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The optional input arguments, `conn` and `'holes'`, must be compile-time constants.
- `imfill` supports up to 3-D inputs only. (No N-D support.)
- The interactive syntax to select points, `imfill(BW,0,CONN)` is not supported.
- With the `locations` input argument, once you select a format at compile time, you cannot change it at run time. However, the number of points in `locations` can be varied at run time.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- Inputs must be 2-D, supporting only the 2-D connectivities (4 and 8). Does not support the interactive hole filling syntax.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`bwselect` | `conndef` | `imreconstruct` | `regionfill`

Introduced before R2006a

imfilter

N-D filtering of multidimensional images

Syntax

```
B = imfilter(A,h)
B = imfilter(A,h,options,...)
```

Description

`B = imfilter(A,h)` filters the multidimensional array `A` with the multidimensional filter `h` and returns the result in `B`.

You optionally can filter a multidimensional array with a 2-D filter using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`B = imfilter(A,h,options,...)` performs multidimensional filtering according to one or more specified options.

Examples

Create Filter and Apply It

Read a color image into the workspace and display it.

```
originalRGB = imread('peppers.png');
imshow(originalRGB)
```

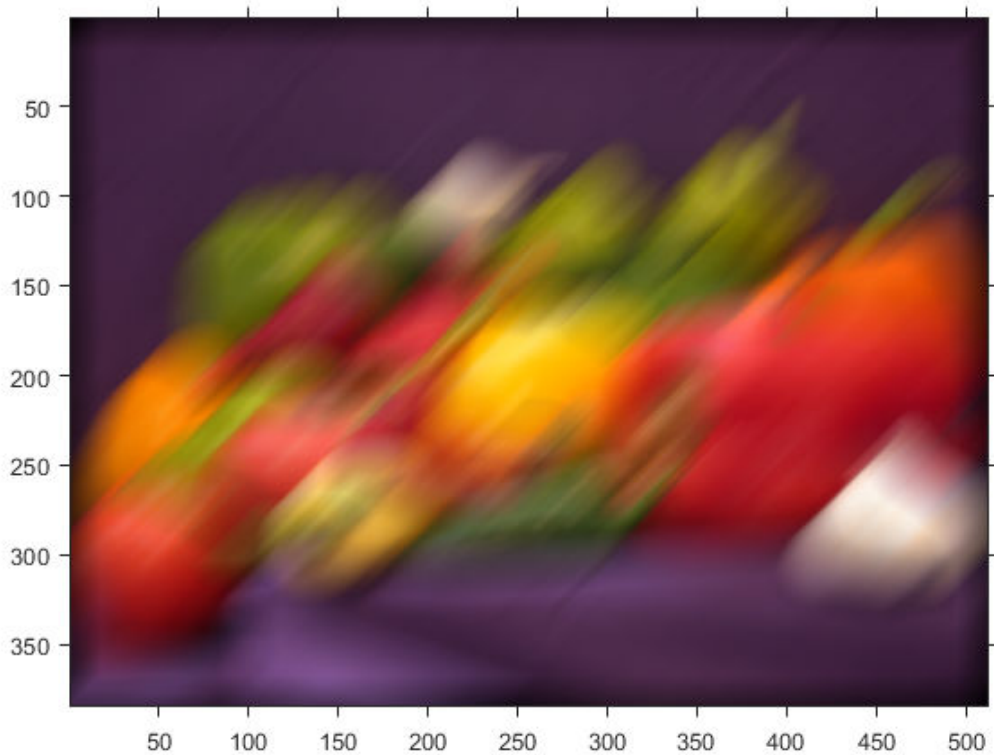


Create a motion-blur filter using the `fspecial` function.

```
h = fspecial('motion', 50, 45);
```

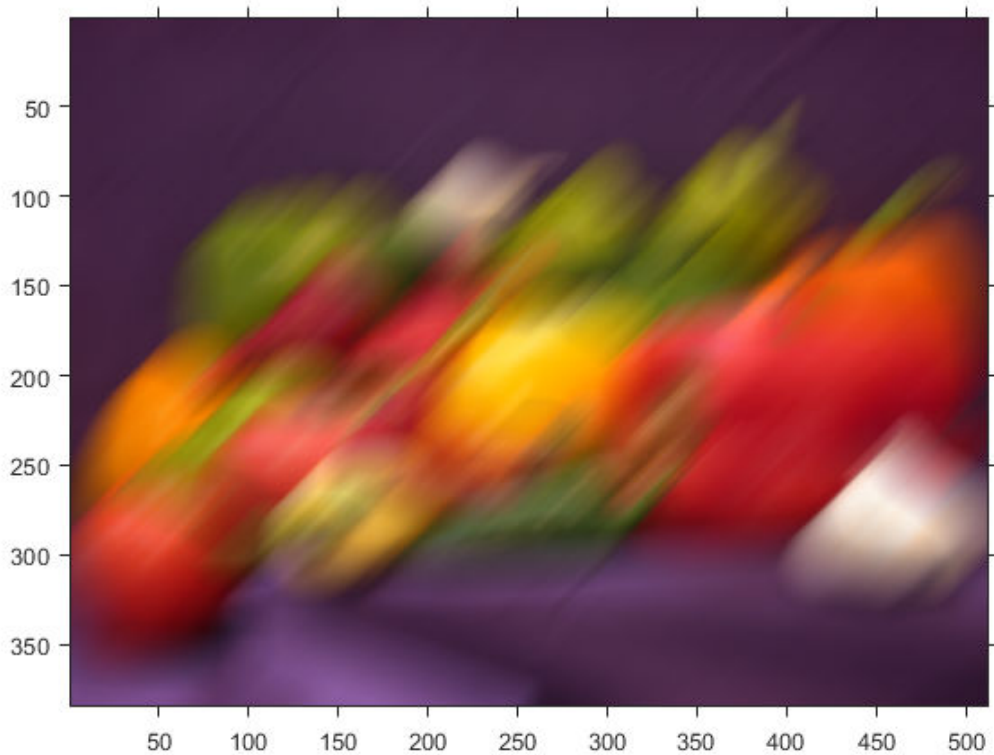
Apply the filter to the original image to create an image with motion blur. Note that `imfilter` is more memory efficient than some other filtering functions in that it outputs an array of the same data type as the input image array. In this example, the output is an array of `uint8`.

```
filteredRGB = imfilter(originalRGB, h);  
figure, imshow(filteredRGB)
```



Filter the image again, this time specifying the replicate boundary option.

```
boundaryReplicateRGB = imfilter(originalRGB, h, 'replicate');  
figure, imshow(boundaryReplicateRGB)
```



Filter Images Using `imfilter` with Convolution

By default, `imfilter` uses correlation because the toolbox filter design functions produce correlation kernels. Use the optional parameter to use convolution.

Create a sample matrix.

```
A = magic(5)
```

```
A = 5×5
```



```

17   24   1   8   15
23   5   7   14  16
4    6   13  20  22
10   12  19  21   3
11   18  25   2   9

```

Create a filter.

```
h = [-1 0 1];
```

Filter using correlation, the default.

```
imfilter(A,h)
```

```
ans = 5x5
```

```

24  -16  -16  14  -8
5   -16   9   9  -14
6    9   14   9  -20
12   9   9  -16  -21
18   14  -16  -16  -2

```

Filter using convolution, specifying `imfilter` with the optional parameter.

```
imfilter(A,h,'conv')
```

```
ans = 5x5
```

```

-24  16  16  -14  8
-5   16  -9  -9  14
-6   -9  -14  -9  20
-12  -9  -9  16  21
-18  -14  16  16  2

```

Convert Image Class to Avoid Negative Output Values

In this example, the output of `imfilter` has negative values when the input is of class `double`. To avoid negative values, convert the image to a different data type before calling `imfilter`. For example, when the input type is `uint8`, `imfilter` truncates output values to 0. It might also be appropriate to convert the image to a signed integer type.

```
A = magic(5)
```

```
A = 5×5
```

```
    17    24     1     8    15
    23     5     7    14    16
     4     6    13    20    22
    10    12    19    21     3
    11    18    25     2     9
```

Filter the image with `imfilter`.

```
h = [-1 0 1];
imfilter(A,h)
```

```
ans = 5×5
```

```
    24   -16   -16    14    -8
     5   -16     9     9   -14
     6     9    14     9   -20
    12     9     9   -16   -21
    18    14   -16   -16    -2
```

Notice that the result has negative values. To avoid negative values in the output image, convert the input image to `uint8` before performing the filtering. Since the input to `imfilter` is of class `uint8`, the output also is of class `uint8`, and `imfilter` truncates negative values to 0.

```
A = uint8(magic(5));
imfilter(A,h)
```

```
ans = 5×5 uint8 matrix
```

```
    24     0     0    14     0
     5     0     9     9     0
     6     9    14     9     0
    12     9     9     0     0
    18    14     0     0     0
```

Input Arguments

A — Image to be filtered

numeric array

Image to be filtered, specified as a numeric array of dimension.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

h — Multidimensional filter

N-D array of data type `double`

Multidimensional filter, specified as an N-D array of data type `double`.

Data Types: `double`

options — Options that control the filtering operation

character vector | string scalar | numeric scalar

Options that control the filtering operation, specified as a character vector, string scalar, or numeric scalar. The following table lists all supported options.

Boundary Options

Option	Description
Padding Options	
numeric scalar, X	Input array values outside the bounds of the array are assigned the value X. When no padding option is specified, the default is 0.
'symmetric'	Input array values outside the bounds of the array are computed by mirror-reflecting the array across the array border.
'replicate'	Input array values outside the bounds of the array are assumed to equal the nearest array border value.
'circular'	Input array values outside the bounds of the array are computed by implicitly assuming the input array is periodic.
Output Size	
'same'	The output array is the same size as the input array. This is the default behavior when no output size options are specified.
'full'	The output array is the full filtered result, and so is larger than the input array.
Correlation and Convolution Options	
'corr'	<code>imfilter</code> performs multidimensional filtering using correlation, which is the same way that <code>filter2</code> performs filtering. When no correlation or convolution option is specified, <code>imfilter</code> uses correlation.
'conv'	<code>imfilter</code> performs multidimensional filtering using convolution.

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array of the same size and class as the input image, A.

Tips

- This function may take advantage of hardware optimization for data types `uint8`, `uint16`, `int16`, `single`, and `double` to run faster.

Algorithms

- The `imfilter` function computes the value of each output pixel using double-precision, floating-point arithmetic. If the result exceeds the range of the data type, then `imfilter` truncates the result to the allowed range of the data type. If it is an integer data type, then `imfilter` rounds fractional values.
- If you specify an even-sized kernel `h`, then the center of the kernel is `floor((size(h) + 1)/2)`.

For example, the center of 4-element filter `[0.25 0.75 -0.75 -0.25]` is the second element, `0.75`. This filter gives identical results as filtering with the 5-element filter `[0 0.25 0.75 -0.75 -0.25]`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imfilter` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imfilter` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the input image, `A`, must be 2-D or 3-D. The value of the input argument, `options`, must be a compile-time constant.
- If you specify a large kernel `h`, a kernel that contains large values, or specify an image containing large values, you can see different results between MATLAB and generated

code using codegen for floating point data types. This happens because of accumulation errors due to different algorithm implementations.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- The filtering kernel `h` must be a vector or 2-D matrix of data type `double`.
- If the image is filtered using a GPU, then `imfilter` computes the value of each output pixel using either single- or double-precision floating point, depending on the data type of `A`. If `A` contains double-precision or `uint32` values, then `imfilter` uses double-precision values. For all other data types, `imfilter` uses single-precision. If `A` is an integer or logical array, then `imfilter` truncates output elements that exceed the range of the given type, and rounds fractional values.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`conv2` | `convn` | `filter2` | `fspecial`

Topics

“Filter Grayscale and Truecolor (RGB) Images using `imfilter` Function”

“`imfilter` Boundary Padding Options”

“What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?”

Introduced before R2006a

imfindcircles

Find circles using circular Hough transform

Syntax

```
centers = imfindcircles(A, radius)
[centers, radii] = imfindcircles(A, radiusRange)
[centers, radii, metric] = imfindcircles(A, radiusRange)
[___] = imfindcircles(___ , Name, Value)
```

Description

`centers = imfindcircles(A, radius)` finds the circles in image `A` whose radii are approximately equal to `radius`. The output, `centers`, is a two-column matrix containing the x,y coordinates of the circles centers in the image.

`[centers, radii] = imfindcircles(A, radiusRange)` finds circles with radii in the range specified by `radiusRange`. The additional output argument, `radii`, contains the estimated radii corresponding to each circle center in `centers`.

`[centers, radii, metric] = imfindcircles(A, radiusRange)` also returns a column vector, `metric`, containing the magnitudes of the accumulator array peaks for each circle (in descending order). The rows of `centers` and `radii` correspond to the rows of `metric`.

`[___] = imfindcircles(___ , Name, Value)` specifies additional options with one or more `Name, Value` pair arguments, using any of the previous syntaxes.

Examples

Detect Five Strongest Circles in an Image

This example shows how to find all circles in an image, and how to retain and display the strongest circles.

Read a grayscale image into the workspace and display it.

```
A = imread('coins.png');  
imshow(A)
```



Find all the circles with radius r pixels in the range [15, 30].

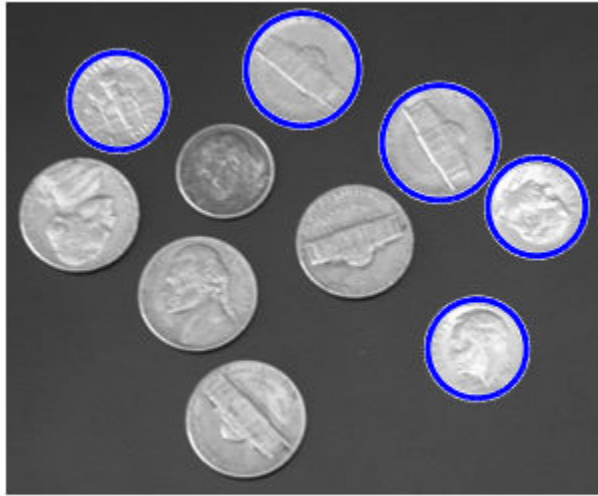
```
[centers, radii, metric] = imfindcircles(A,[15 30]);
```

Retain the five strongest circles according to the metric values.

```
centersStrong5 = centers(1:5,:);  
radiiStrong5 = radii(1:5);  
metricStrong5 = metric(1:5);
```

Draw the five strongest circle perimeters over the original image.

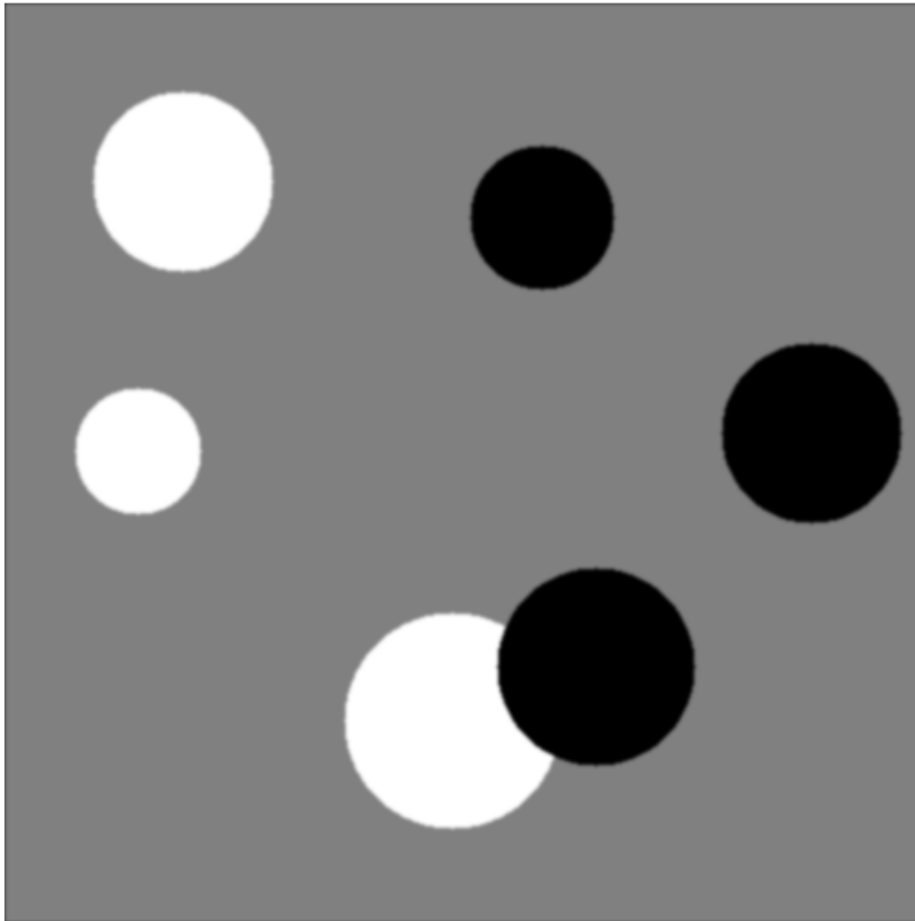
```
viscircles(centersStrong5, radiiStrong5, 'EdgeColor', 'b');
```

Draw Lines Around Bright and Dark Circles in Image

Read the image into the workspace and display it.

```
A = imread('circlesBrightDark.png');  
imshow(A)
```



Define the radius range.

```
Rmin = 30;  
Rmax = 65;
```

Find all the bright circles in the image within the radius range.

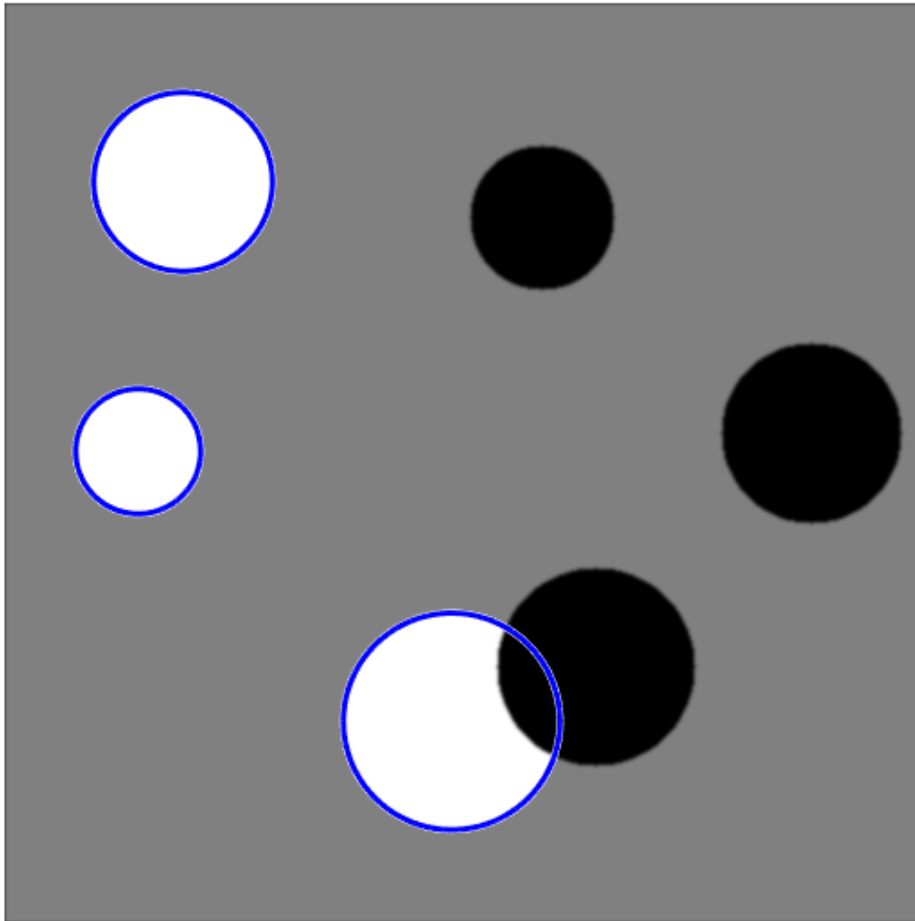
```
[centersBright, radiiBright] = imfindcircles(A,[Rmin Rmax], 'ObjectPolarity', 'bright');
```

Find all the dark circles in the image within the radius range.

```
[centersDark, radiiDark] = imfindcircles(A,[Rmin Rmax], 'ObjectPolarity', 'dark');
```

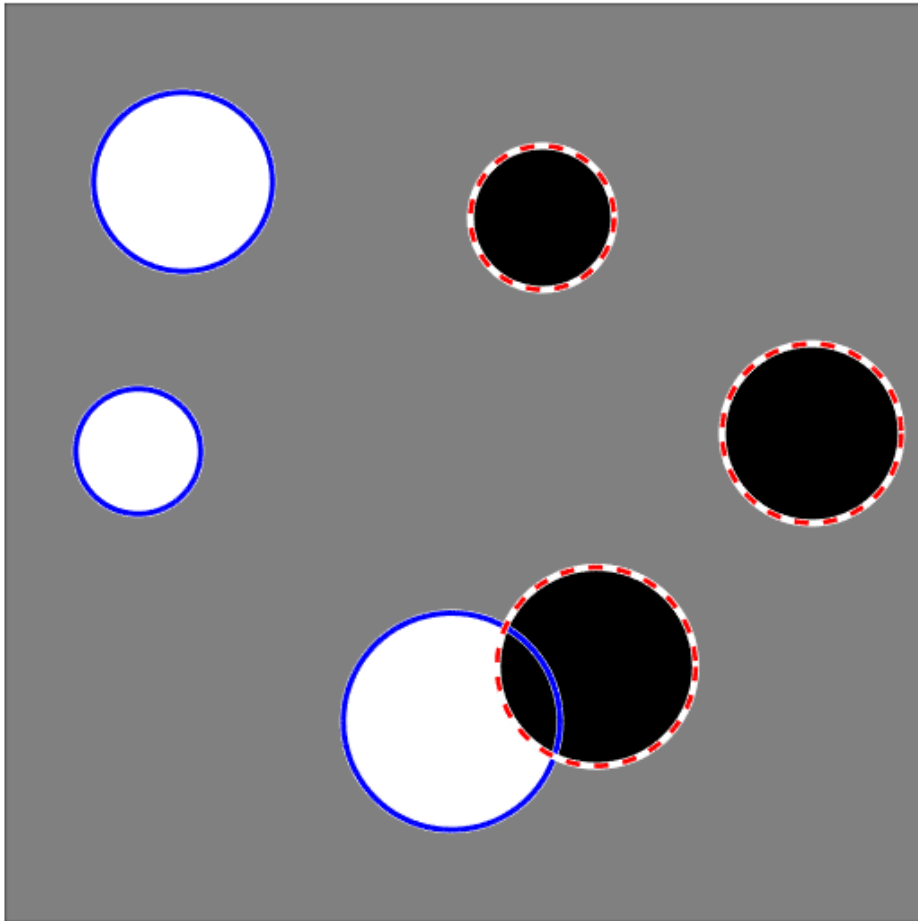
Draw blue lines around the edges of the bright circles.

```
viscircles(centersBright, radiiBright, 'Color', 'b');
```



Draw red dashed lines around the edges of the dark circles.

```
viscircles(centersDark, radiiDark, 'LineStyle', '--');
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

grayscale image | truecolor image | binary image

Input image is the image in which to detect circular objects, specified as a grayscale, truecolor, or binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

radius — Circle radius

scalar numeric

Circle radius is the approximate radius of the circular objects you want to detect, specified as a scalar of any numeric type.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

radiusRange — Range of radii

2-element vector of integers

Range of radii for the circular objects you want to detect, specified as a 2-element vector of integers of the form `[rmin rmax]`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `'ObjectPolarity','bright'` specifies bright circular objects on a dark background.

ObjectPolarity — Object polarity

`'bright'` (default) | `'dark'`

Object polarity indicates whether the circular objects are brighter or darker than the background, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ObjectPolarity' and either of the values in the following table.

'bright'	The circular objects are brighter than the background.
'dark'	The circular objects are darker than the background.

Method — Computation method

'PhaseCode' (default) | 'TwoStage'

Computation method is the technique used to compute the accumulator array, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Method' and either of the values in the following table.

'PhaseCode'	Atherton and Kerbyson's [1] phase coding method . This is the default.
'TwoStage'	The method used in two-stage circular Hough transform [2], [3].

Example: 'Method', 'PhaseCode' specifies the Atherton and Kerbyson's phase coding method.

Sensitivity — Sensitivity factor

0.85 (default) | number in the range [0, 1]

Sensitivity factor is the sensitivity for the circular Hough transform accumulator array, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Sensitivity' and a number in the range [0,1]. As you increase the sensitivity factor, `imfindcircles` detects more circular objects, including weak and partially obscured circles. Higher sensitivity values also increase the risk of false detection.

EdgeThreshold — Edge gradient threshold

number in the range [0, 1]

Edge gradient threshold sets the gradient threshold for determining edge pixels in the image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'EdgeThreshold' and a number in the range [0,1]. Specify 0 to set the threshold to zero-gradient magnitude. Specify 1 to set the threshold to the maximum gradient magnitude. `imfindcircles` detects more circular objects (with both weak and strong edges) when you set the threshold to a lower value. It detects fewer circles with weak edges as you increase the value of the threshold. By default, `imfindcircles` chooses the edge gradient threshold automatically using the function `graythresh`.

Example: `'EdgeThreshold', 0.5` sets the edge gradient threshold to 0.5.

Output Arguments

centers — Coordinates of circle centers

P-by-2 matrix

Coordinates of the circle centers, returned as a P-by-2 matrix containing the x-coordinates of the circle centers in the first column and the y-coordinates in the second column. The number of rows, P, is the number of circles detected. `centers` is sorted based on the strength of the circles.

radii — Estimated radii

column vector

The estimated radii for the circle centers, returned as a column vector. The radius value at `radii(j)` corresponds to the circle centered at `centers(j, :)`.

metric — Circle strengths

column vector

Circle strengths is the relative strengths for the circle centers, returned as a vector. The value at `metric(j)` corresponds to the circle with radius `radii(j)` centered at `centers(j, :)`.

Tips

- Specify a relatively small `radiusRange` for better accuracy. A good rule of thumb is to choose `radiusRange` such that `rmax < 3*rmin` and `(rmax-rmin) < 100`.
- The accuracy of `imfindcircles` is limited when the value of `radius` (or `rmin`) is less than or equal to 5.
- The radius estimation step is typically faster if you use the (default) `'PhaseCode'` method instead of `'TwoStage'`.
- Both computation methods, `'PhaseCode'` and `'TwoStage'` are limited in their ability to detect concentric circles. The results for concentric circles can vary depending on the input image.
- `imfindcircles` does not find circles with centers outside the domain of the image.

- `imfindcircles` preprocesses binary (logical) images to improve the accuracy of the result. It converts truecolor images to grayscale using the function `rgb2gray` before processing them.

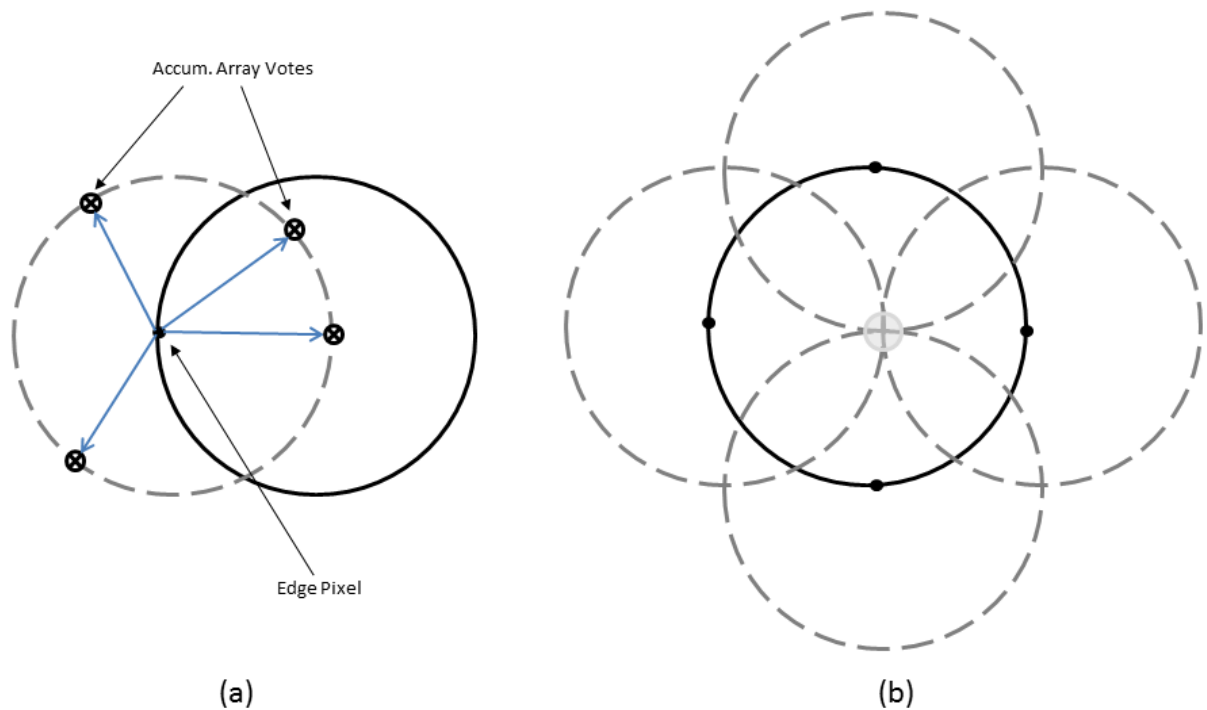
Algorithms

`imfindcircles` uses a Circular Hough Transform (CHT) based algorithm for finding circles in images. This approach is used because of its robustness in the presence of noise, occlusion and varying illumination.

The CHT is not a rigorously specified algorithm, rather there are a number of different approaches that can be taken in its implementation. However, by and large, there are three essential steps which are common to all.

1 Accumulator Array Computation

Foreground pixels of high gradient are designated as being candidate pixels and are allowed to cast 'votes' in the accumulator array. In a classical CHT implementation, the candidate pixels vote in pattern around them that forms a full circle of a fixed radius. Figure 1a shows an example of a candidate pixel lying on an actual circle (solid circle) and the classical CHT voting pattern (dashed circles) for the candidate pixel.



Classical CHT Voting Pattern

2 Center Estimation

The votes of candidate pixels belonging to an image circle tend to accumulate at the accumulator array bin corresponding to the circle's center. Therefore, the circle centers are estimated by detecting the peaks in the accumulator array. Figure 1b shows an example of the candidate pixels (solid dots) lying on an actual circle (solid circle), and their voting patterns (dashed circles) which coincide at the center of the actual circle.

3 Radius Estimation

If the same accumulator array is used for more than one radius value, as is commonly done in CHT algorithms, radii of the detected circles have to be estimated as a separate step.

`imfindcircles` provides two algorithms for finding circles in images: Phase-Coding (default) and Two-Stage. Both share some common computational steps, but each has its own unique aspects as well.

The common computational features shared by both algorithms are as follow:

- **Use of 2-D Accumulator Array**

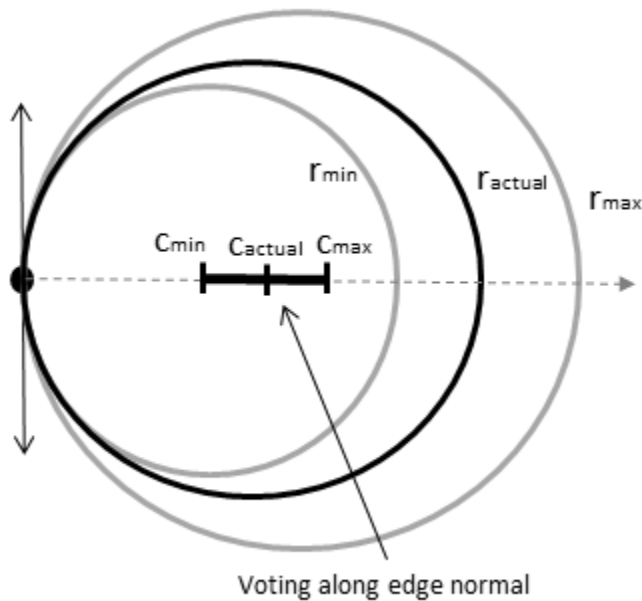
The classical Hough Transform requires a 3-D array for storing votes for multiple radii, which results in large storage requirements and long processing times. Both the Phase-Coding and Two-Stage methods solve this problem by using a single 2-D accumulator array for all the radii. Although this approach requires an additional step of radius estimation, the overall computational load is typically lower, especially when working over large radius range. This is a widely adopted practice in modern CHT implementations.

- **Use of Edge Pixels**

Overall memory requirements and speed is strongly governed by the number of candidate pixels. To limit their number, the gradient magnitude of the input image is threshold so that only pixels of high gradient are included in tallying votes.

- **Use of Edge Orientation Information**

Another way to optimize performance is to restrict the number of bins available to candidate pixels. This is accomplished by utilizing locally available edge information to only permit voting in a limited interval along direction of the gradient (Figure 2).



Voting Mode: Multiple Radii, Along Direction of Gradient

r_{\min}	Minimum search radius
r_{\max}	Maximum search radius
r_{actual}	Radius of the circle that the candidate pixel belongs to
C_{\min}	Center of the circle of radius r_{\min}
C_{\max}	Center of the circle of radius r_{\max}
C_{actual}	Center of the circle of radius r_{actual}

The two CHT methods employed by function `imfindcircles` fundamentally differ in the manner by which the circle radii are computed.

- **Two-Stage**

Radii are explicitly estimated utilizing the estimated circle centers along with image information. The technique is based on computing radial histograms [2] [3].

- **Phase-Coding**

The key idea in Phase Coding [1] is the use of complex values in the accumulator array with the radius information encoded in the phase of the array entries. The votes cast by the edge pixels contain information not only about the possible center locations but also about the radius of the circle associated with the center location. Unlike the Two-Stage method where radius has to be estimated explicitly using radial histograms, in Phase Coding the radius can be estimated by simply decoding the phase information from the estimated center location in the accumulator array.

Compatibility Considerations

imfindcircles uses new filter size for logical images

Behavior changed in R2019a

Starting in R2019a, the `imfindcircles` function uses a 5-by-5 filter size for smoothing logical images. `imfindcircles` may now return a different answer than in previous releases, when the filter size was 6-by-6. For example, in some instances, the function may return a different number of circles.

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Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imfindcircles` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `imfindcircles` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, all character vector input parameters and values must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`hough` | `houghlines` | `houghpeaks` | `viscircles`

Introduced in R2012a

imflatfield

2-D image flat-field correction

Syntax

```
J = imflatfield(I,sigma)
J = imflatfield(I,sigma,mask)
J = imflatfield(___, 'FilterSize',filterSize)
```

Description

`J = imflatfield(I,sigma)` applies flat-field correction to the grayscale or RGB image `I`. The correction uses Gaussian smoothing with a standard deviation of `sigma` to approximate the shading component of `I`. The corrected image is returned in `J`.

`J = imflatfield(I,sigma,mask)` applies flat-field correction to image `I` only where the binary mask is `true`. Where the mask is `false`, the output image `J` contains the unmodified values of image `I`.

`J = imflatfield(___, 'FilterSize',filterSize)` specifies the size of the Gaussian smoothing filter.

Examples

Correct Shading Distortion in Grayscale Image

Load a grayscale image. This image has severe shading distortion on the left side and in the upper-right corner.

```
I = imread('printedtext.png');
imshow(I)
title('Distorted Image')
```

Distorted Image

What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?

Filtering is a technique for modifying or enhancing an image. For example, you can filter an image to emphasize certain features or remove other features. Image processing operations implemented with filtering include smoothing, sharpening, and edge enhancement.

Filtering is a *neighborhood operation*, in which the value of any given pixel in the output image is determined by applying some algorithm to the values of the pixels in the neighborhood of the corresponding input pixel. A pixel's neighborhood is some set of pixels, defined by their locations relative to that pixel. (See [Neighborhood](#) or [Block Processing: An Overview](#) for a general discussion of neighborhood operations.) *Linear filtering* is filtering in which the value of an output pixel is a linear combination of the values of the pixels in the input pixel's neighborhood.

Convolution

Linear filtering of an image is accomplished through an operation called *convolution*. Convolution is a neighborhood operation in which each output pixel is the weighted sum of neighboring input pixels. The matrix of weights is called the *convolution kernel*, also known as the *filter*. A convolution kernel is a correlation kernel that has been rotated 180 degrees.

For example, suppose the image is

```
A = [17 24 1 8 15
      23 5 7 14 16
      4 6 13 20 22
      10 12 19 21 3]
```

Perform the flat-field correction.

```
sigma = 30;
Iflatfield = imflatfield(I,sigma);
```

Display the result. The corrected image has more uniform brightness.

```
imshow(Iflatfield)
title(['Flat-Field Corrected Image, \sigma = ',num2str(sigma)])
```


Flat-Field Corrected Image, $\sigma = 30$

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```

Correct Vignetting Defect in Color Image

Load a color image that has vignetting, or darkening of the corners.

```
I = imread('fabric.png');
imshow(I)
title('Image with Vignetting')
```

Image with Vignetting

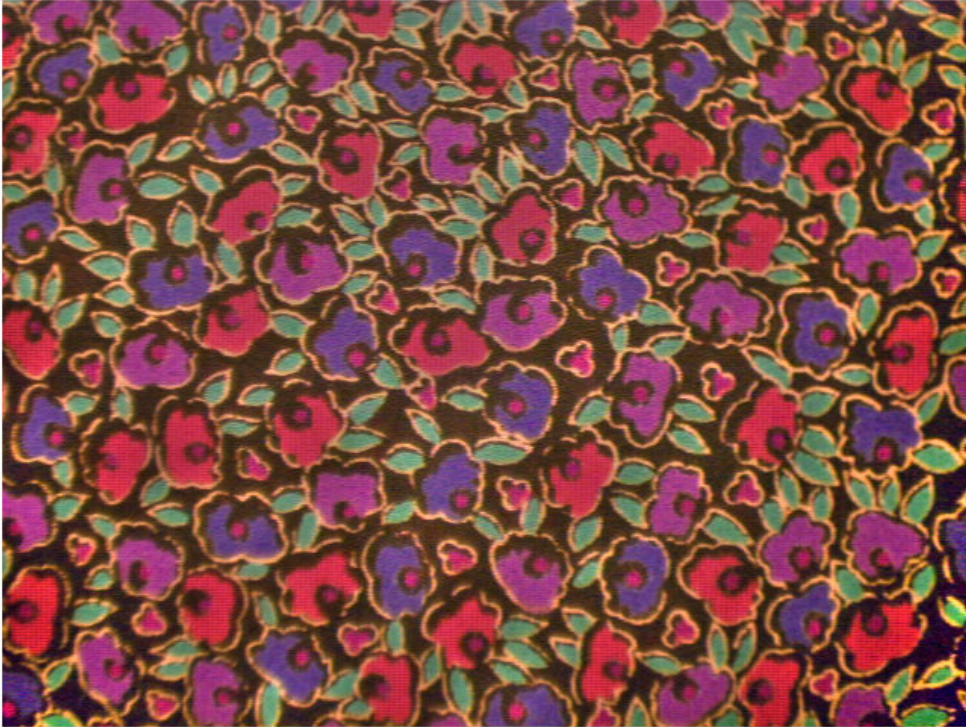


Perform the flat-field correction.

```
sigma = 20;  
Iflatfield = imflatfield(I,sigma);
```

Display the result. The corrected image has more uniform brightness.

```
imshow(Iflatfield)  
title(['Flat-Field Corrected Image, \sigma = ',num2str(sigma)])
```

Flat-Field Corrected Image, $\sigma = 20$ 

Apply Flat-Field Correction Using Binary Mask

Load a color image. This image has a shading defect in the lower right corner.

```
I = imread('hands1.jpg');  
imshow(I)  
title('Image with Dark Corner')
```

Image with Dark Corner



Try applying flat-field correction to the entire image.

```
sigma = 25;  
Iflatfield = imflatfield(I,25);  
imshow(Iflatfield)  
title(['Flat-Field Corrected Image, \sigma = ', num2str(sigma)])
```

Flat-Field Corrected Image, $\sigma = 25$ 

The shading defect in the corner is corrected, but the center of the image is too bright and the hand has changed color. To avoid this brightening artifact, apply flat-field correction just to the background of the image.

Load the mask of this image. In the original mask, `maskHand`, the segmented hand is the region of interest (ROI). Invert the mask so that the background is the ROI. Display the mask, which shows the ROI in white.

```
maskHand = imread('hands1-mask.png');  
maskBackground = ~maskHand;  
imshow(maskBackground)  
title('Background Mask')
```

Background Mask



Perform the flat-field correction on the background of the image using the mask `maskBackground`. The hand is not a region of interest in the mask, therefore flat-field correction is not applied to pixels in the hand.

```
Iflatfield2 = imflatfield(I,sigma,maskBackground);
```

Display the corrected image. The shading defect in the corner is corrected, and the hand retains its original color.

```
imshow(Iflatfield2)  
title(['Flat-Field Corrected Background, \sigma = ',num2str(sigma)])
```

Flat-Field Corrected Background, $\sigma = 25$ 

Input Arguments

I — Distorted image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D RGB image

Distorted image, specified as a 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n or a 2-D RGB image of size m -by- n -by-3.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

sigma — Standard deviation of Gaussian smoothing filter

positive number | 2-element vector of positive numbers

Standard deviation of the Gaussian smoothing filter, specified as a positive number or a 2-element vector of positive numbers. If you specify a scalar, then `imflatfield` uses a square Gaussian kernel.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

mask — Binary mask

2-D numeric matrix | 2-D logical matrix

Binary mask, specified as a 2-D numeric or logical matrix of size m -by- n . For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (`true`).

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

filterSize — Size of Gaussian filter

positive, odd integer | 2-element vector of positive, odd integers

Size of the Gaussian filter, specified as a scalar or 2-element vector of positive, odd integers. If you specify a scalar, then `imflatfield` uses a square filter. The default filter size is $2*\text{ceil}(2*\text{sigma})+1$.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

J — Corrected image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D RGB image

Corrected image, returned as a 2-D grayscale or RGB image of the same size and data type as the input image, `I`.

Tips

- When `I` is an RGB image, then `imflatfield` converts the image to the HSV color space using `rgb2hsv` and applies the flat-field correction to the HSV Value channel. The image is converted back to RGB color space by using `hsv2rgb`.
- If you specify a `mask`, then `imflatfield` dilates the mask and pads the image boundaries to reduce edge artifacts during the flat-field estimation.

See Also

hsv2rgb | rgb2hsv

Introduced in R2018b

imfreehand

Create draggable freehand region

Note `imfreehand` is not recommended. Use `drawfreehand` or `drawassisted` instead.

Description

An `imfreehand` object encapsulates an interactive freehand region over an image.

You can add vertices and adjust the size and position of the polygon by using the mouse. The polygon also has a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior. For more information, see “Usage” on page 1-1510.

Creation

Syntax

```
h = imfreehand
h = imfreehand(hparent)
h = imfreehand( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = imfreehand` begins interactive placement of a freehand region on the current axes, and returns an `imfreehand` object.

`h = imfreehand(hparent)` begins interactive placement of a freehand region on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = imfreehand(____,Name,Value)` specifies name-value pairs that control the behavior of the freehand region.

Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to parent object

handle

Handle to parent object, specified as a handle. The parent is typically an axes object, but can also be any other object that can be the parent of an `hggroup` object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

PositionConstraintFcn — Position constraint function

function handle

Position constraint function, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'PositionConstraintFcn'` and a function handle. `fcn` is called whenever the mouse is dragged. You can use this function to control where the freehand region can be dragged. See the help for the `setPositionConstraintFcn` function for information about valid function handles.

Closed — Freehand region is closed

`true` (default) | `false`

Freehand region is closed, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Closed'` and `true` or `false`. When set to `true` (the default), `imfreehand` draws a straight line to connect the endpoints of the freehand line to create a closed region. If set to `false`, `imfreehand` leaves the region open.

Data Types: `logical`

Properties

Deletable — ROI can be deleted

`true` (default) | `false`

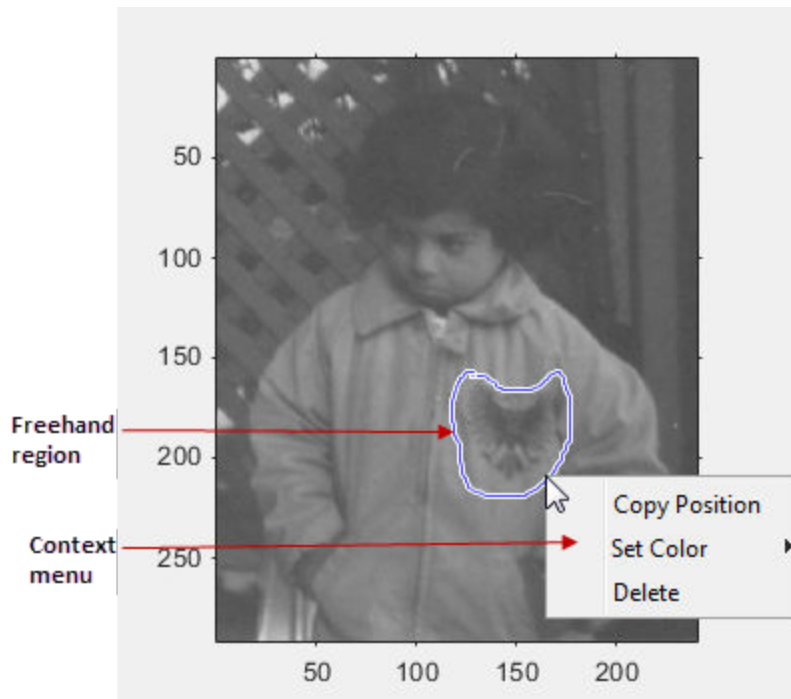
ROI can be deleted, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: logical


Usage

When you call `imfreehand` with an interactive syntax, the pointer changes to a cross hairs \oplus when positioned over an image. Click and drag the mouse to draw the freehand region and adjust the position of the region. By default, `imfreehand` draws a straight line connecting the last point you drew with the first point, but you can control this behavior using the `Closed` parameter.

The freehand region also supports a context menu that you can use to control aspects of its appearance and behavior.



The table lists the interactive features supported by `imfreehand`.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Moving the region.	Move the pointer inside the freehand region. The pointer changes to a fleur shape  . Click and hold the left mouse button to move the region.
Changing the color used to draw the region.	Move the pointer inside the freehand region. Right-click and select Set Color from the context menu.
Retrieving the current position of the freehand region.	Move the pointer inside the freehand region. Right-click and select Copy Position from the context menu. <code>imfreehand</code> copies an n -by-2 array of coordinates on the boundary of the ROI to the clipboard.
Deleting the region	Move the pointer inside the region. Right-click and select Delete from the context menu. To remove this option from the context menu, set the <code>Deletable</code> property to false: <code>h = imfreehand(); h.Deletable = false;</code>

Object Functions

Each `imfreehand` object supports a number of methods. Type methods `imfreehand` to see a complete list.

<code>addNewPositionCallback</code>	Add new-position callback to ROI object
<code>createMask</code>	Create mask within image
<code>delete</code>	Delete handle object
<code>getColor</code>	Get color used to draw ROI object
<code>getPosition</code>	Return current position of ROI object
<code>getPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Return function handle to current position constraint function
<code>removeNewPositionCallback</code>	Remove new-position callback from ROI object
<code>resume</code>	(Not recommended) Resume execution of MATLAB command line
<code>setClosed</code>	Set closure behavior of ROI object
<code>setColor</code>	Set color used to draw ROI object
<code>setConstrainedPosition</code>	Set ROI object to new position
<code>setPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Set position constraint function of ROI object
<code>wait</code>	(Not recommended) Block MATLAB command line until ROI creation is finished

Examples

Click and Drag to Place Freehand Region

Interactively place a closed freehand region of interest by clicking and dragging over an image.

```
imshow('pout.tif')  
h = imfreehand;
```

Interactively move the freehand region by clicking and dragging. Use the `wait` function to block the MATLAB command line. Double-click on the freehand region to resume execution of the MATLAB command line.

```
position = wait(h);
```

Tips

- If you use `imfreehand` with an axes that contains an image object, and do not specify a position constraint function, users can drag the freehand region outside the extent of the image and lose the freehand region. When used with an axes created by the `plot` function, the axes limits automatically expand to accommodate the movement of the freehand region.
- To cancel the interactive placement, press the Esc key. `imfreehand` returns an empty object.

See Also

`imellipse` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect` | `imroi` | `iptgetapi` | `makeConstrainToRectFcn`

Introduced in R2007b

imfuse

Composite of two images

Syntax

```
C = imfuse(A,B)
[C RC] = imfuse(A,RA,B,RB)
C = imfuse( ____,method)
C = imfuse( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`C = imfuse(A,B)` creates a composite image from two images, A and B. If A and B are different sizes, `imfuse` pads the smaller dimensions with zeros so that both images are the same size before creating the composite. The output, C, is a numeric matrix containing a fused version of images A and B.

`[C RC] = imfuse(A,RA,B,RB)` creates a composite image from two images, A and B, using the spatial referencing information provided in RA and RB. The output RC defines the spatial referencing information for the output fused image C.

`C = imfuse(____,method)` uses the algorithm specified by `method`.

`C = imfuse(____,Name,Value)` specifies additional options with one or more `Name,Value` pair arguments, using any of the previous syntaxes.

Examples

Create Blended Overlay of Two Images

Load an image into the workspace. Create a copy with a rotation offset applied.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');
B = imrotate(A,5,'bicubic','crop');
```

Create blended overlay image, scaling the intensities of A and B jointly as a single data set. View the fused image.

```
C = imfuse(A,B,'blend','Scaling','joint');  
imshow(C)
```



Save the resulting image as a .png file.

```
imwrite(C,'my_blend_overlay.png');
```

Create Overlay Image Using Color to Distinguish Areas of Similar Intensity

Load an image into the workspace. Create a copy and apply a rotation offset.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');  
B = imrotate(A,5,'bicubic','crop');
```


Create a blended overlay image, using red for image A, green for image B, and yellow for areas of similar intensity between the two images. Then, display the overlay image.

```
C = imfuse(A,B,'falsecolor','Scaling','joint','ColorChannels',[1 2 0]);  
imshow(C)
```



Save the resulting image as a .png file.

```
imwrite(C,'my_blend_red-green.png');
```

Create Overlay of Two Spatially Referenced Images

Load an image into the workspace and create a spatial referencing object associated with it.

```
A = dicomread('knee1.dcm');  
RA = imref2d(size(A));
```

Create a second image by resizing image A and create a spatial referencing object associated with that image.

```
B = imresize(A,2);  
RB = imref2d(size(B));
```

Set referencing object parameters to specify the limits of the coordinates in world coordinates.

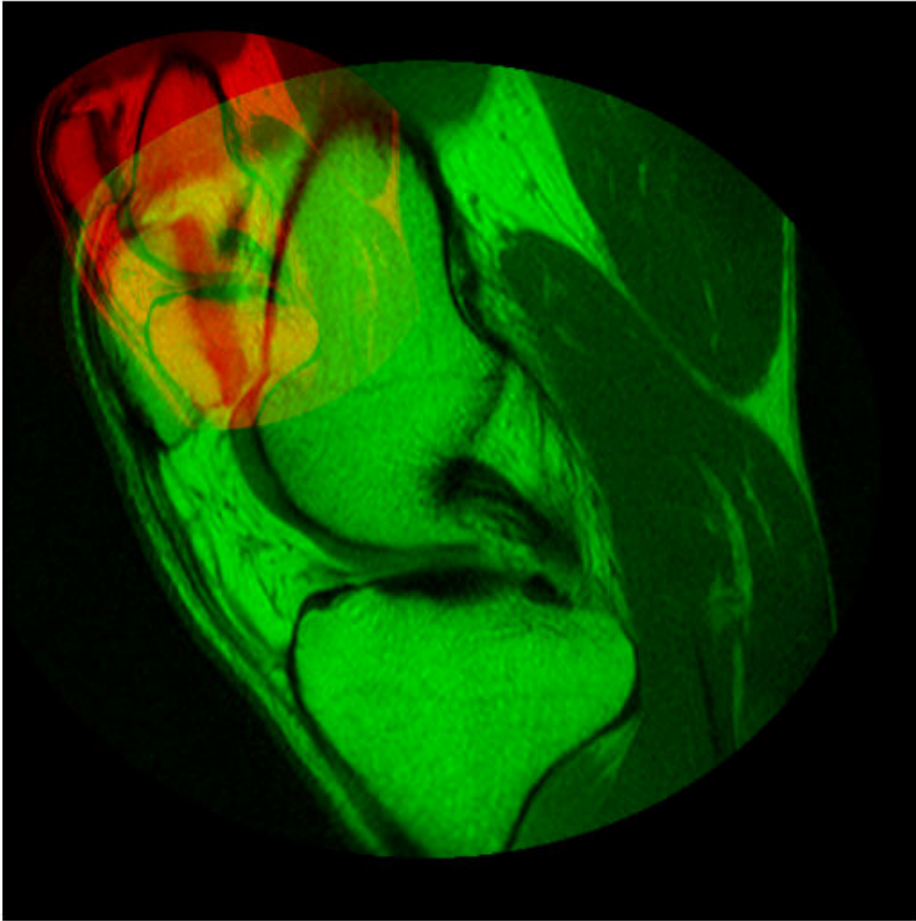
```
RB.XWorldLimits = RA.XWorldLimits;  
RB.YWorldLimits = RA.YWorldLimits;
```

Create a blended overlay image using color to indicate areas of similar intensity. This example uses red for image A, green for image B, and yellow for areas of similar intensity between the two images.

```
C = imfuse(A,B,'falsecolor','Scaling','joint','ColorChannels',[1 2 0]);
```

Display the fused image. Note how the images do not appear to share many areas of similar intensity. For this example, the fused image is shrunk for easier display.

```
C = imresize(C,0.5);  
imshow(C)
```

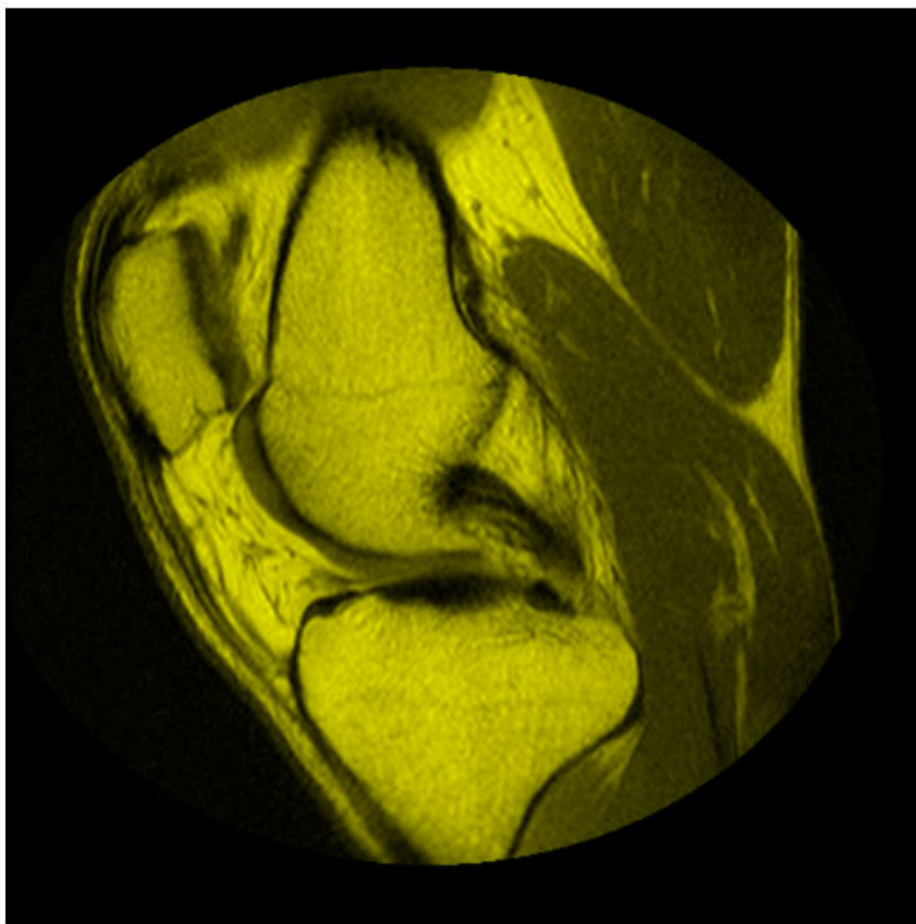


Create a new fused image, this time using the spatial referencing information in RA and RB.

```
[D,RD] = imfuse(A,RA,B,RB, 'ColorChannels', [1 2 0]);
```

Display the new fused image. In this version, the image appears yellow because the images A and B have the same extent in the world coordinate system. The images actually are aligned, even though B is twice the size of A. For this example, the fused image is shrunk for easier display.

```
D = imresize(D,0.5);  
imshow(D)
```



Input Arguments

A — Image to be combined into a composite image

grayscale image | truecolor image | binary image

Image to be combined into a composite image, specified as a grayscale, truecolor, or binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

B — Image to be combined into a composite image

grayscale image | truecolor image | binary image

Image to be combined into a composite image, specified as a grayscale, truecolor, or binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

RA — Spatial referencing information associated with the input image A

spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information associated with the input image A, specified as a spatial referencing object of class `imref2d`.

RB — Spatial referencing information associated with the input image B

spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information associated with the input image B, specified as a spatial referencing object of class `imref2d`.

method — Algorithm used to combine images

'falsecolor' (default) | 'blend' | 'diff' | 'montage'

Algorithm used to combine images, specified as one of the following values.

Method	Description
'falsecolor'	Creates a composite RGB image showing A and B overlaid in different color bands. Gray regions in the composite image show where the two images have the same intensities. Magenta and green regions show where the intensities are different. This is the default method.
'blend'	Overlays A and B using alpha blending.
'checkerboard'	Creates an image with alternating rectangular regions from A and B.
'diff'	Creates a difference image from A and B.
'montage'	Puts A and B next to each other in the same image.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `'Scaling', 'joint'` scales the intensity values of A and B together as a single data set.

Scaling — Intensity scaling option

`'independent'` (default) | `'joint'` | `'none'`

Intensity scaling option, specified as one of the following values:

<code>'independent'</code>	Scales the intensity values of A and B independently when C is created.
<code>'joint'</code>	Scales the intensity values in the images jointly as if they were together in the same image. This option is useful when you want to visualize registrations of monomodal images, where one image contains fill values that are outside the dynamic range of the other image.
<code>'none'</code>	No additional scaling.

ColorChannels — Output color channel for each input image

'green-magenta' (default) | [R G B] | 'red-cyan'

Output color channel for each input image, specified as one of the following values:

[R G B]	A three element vector that specifies which image to assign to the red, green, and blue channels. The R, G, and B values must be 1 (for the first input image), 2 (for the second input image), and 0 (for neither image).
'red-cyan'	A shortcut for the vector [1 2 2], which is suitable for red/cyan stereo anaglyphs
'green-magenta'	A shortcut for the vector [2 1 2], which is a high contrast option, ideal for people with many kinds of color blindness

Output Arguments

C — Fused image that is a composite of the input images

grayscale image | truecolor image | binary image

Fused image that is a composite of the input images, returned as a grayscale, truecolor, or binary image.

Data Types: uint8

RC — Spatial referencing information associated with the output image

spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information, returned as a spatial referencing object.

Tips

- Use `imfuse` to create composite visualizations that you can save to a file. Use `imshowpair` to display composite visualizations to the screen.

See Also

`imregister` | `imshowpair` | `imtransform`

Introduced in R2012a

imgaborfilt

Apply Gabor filter or set of filters to 2-D image

Syntax

```
[mag, phase] = imgaborfilt(A,wavelength,orientation)
[mag, phase] = imgaborfilt(A,wavelength,orientation,Name,Value,...)
[mag, phase] = imgaborfilt(A,gaborbank)
```

Description

`[mag, phase] = imgaborfilt(A,wavelength,orientation)` computes the magnitude and phase response of a Gabor filter for the input grayscale image `A`. `wavelength` describes the wavelength in pixels/cycle of the sinusoidal carrier. `orientation` is the orientation of the filter in degrees. The output `mag` and `phase` are the magnitude and phase responses of the Gabor filter.

`[mag, phase] = imgaborfilt(A,wavelength,orientation,Name,Value,...)` applies a single Gabor filter using name-value pairs to control various aspects of filtering.

`[mag, phase] = imgaborfilt(A,gaborbank)` applies the array of Gabor filters, `gaborbank`, to the input image `A`. `gaborbank` is a 1-by-`p` array of Gabor objects, called a filter bank. `mag` and `phase` are image stacks where each plane in the stack corresponds to one of the outputs of the filter bank. For inputs of size `A`, the outputs `mag` and `phase` contain the magnitude and phase response for each filter in `gaborbank` and are of size `m-by-n-by-p`. Each plane in the magnitude and phase responses, `mag(:,:,ind)`, `phase(:,:,ind)`, is the result of applying the Gabor filter of the same index, `gaborBank(ind)`.

Examples

Apply Single Gabor Filter to Input Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('board.tif');
```

Convert image to grayscale.

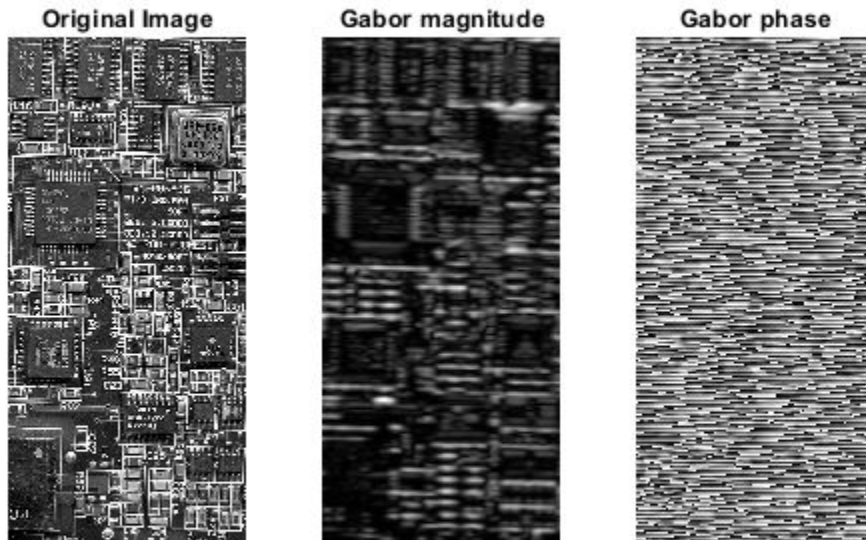
```
I = rgb2gray(I);
```

Apply Gabor filter to image.

```
wavelength = 4;  
orientation = 90;  
[mag,phase] = imgaborfilt(I,wavelength,orientation);
```

Display original image with plots of the magnitude and phase calculated by the Gabor filter.

```
figure  
subplot(1,3,1);  
imshow(I);  
title('Original Image');  
subplot(1,3,2);  
imshow(mag,[])  
title('Gabor magnitude');  
subplot(1,3,3);  
imshow(phase,[]);  
title('Gabor phase');
```



Apply Array of Gabor Filters to Input Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Create array of Gabor filters, called a *filter bank*. This filter bank contains two orientations and two wavelengths.

```
gaborArray = gabor([4 8],[0 90]);
```

Apply filters to input image.

```
gaborMag = imgaborfilt(I,gaborArray);
```

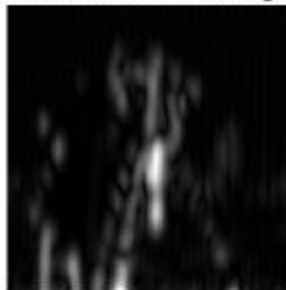
Display results. The figure shows the magnitude response for each filter.

```
figure
subplot(2,2,1);
for p = 1:4
    subplot(2,2,p)
    imshow(gaborMag(:,:,p),[]);
    theta = gaborArray(p).Orientation;
    lambda = gaborArray(p).Wavelength;
    title(sprintf('Orientation=%d, Wavelength=%d',theta,lambda));
end
```

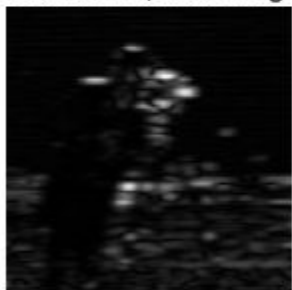
Orientation=0, Wavelength=4



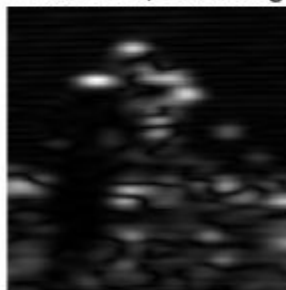
Orientation=0, Wavelength=8



Orientation=90, Wavelength=4



Orientation=90, Wavelength=8



Input Arguments

A — Input grayscale image

real, nonsparse 2-D matrix

Input grayscale image, specified as a real, nonsparse 2-D matrix.

If the image contains `Infs` or `NaNs`, the behavior of `imgaborfilt` is undefined because Gabor filtering is performed in the frequency domain.

For all input data types other than `single`, `imgaborfilt` performs the computation in `double`. Input images of type `single` are filtered in type `single`. Performance optimizations may result from casting the input image to `single` prior to calling `imgaborfilt`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

wavelength — Wavelength of the sinusoidal carrier

numeric scalar in the range `[2, Inf)`

Wavelength of the sinusoidal carrier, specified as a numeric scalar in the range `[2, Inf)`, in pixels/cycle.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

orientation — Orientation of filter in degrees

numeric scalar in the range `[0 360]`

Orientation of filter in degrees, specified as a numeric scalar in the range `[0 360]`, where the orientation is defined as the normal direction to the sinusoidal plane wave.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

gaborbank — Array of Gabor filters

`gabor` object

Array of Gabor filters, specified as a `gabor` object. You must use the `gabor` function to create an array of Gabor filters.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `[mag, phase] = imgaborfilt(I, 4, 90, 'SpatialFrequencyBandwidth', 2);`

SpatialFrequencyBandwidth — Spatial frequency bandwidth

1.0 (default) | numeric scalar

Spatial frequency bandwidth, specified as a numeric scalar in units of octaves. The spatial frequency bandwidth determines the cutoff of the filter response as frequency content in the input image varies from the preferred frequency, $1/\lambda$. Typical values for spatial-frequency bandwidth are in the range `[0.5 2.5]`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

SpatialAspectRatio — Ratio of semi-major and semi-minor axes of Gaussian envelope

0.5 (default) | numeric scalar

Ratio of semi-major and semi-minor axes of Gaussian envelope (semi-minor/semi-major), specified as a numeric scalar. This parameter controls the ellipticity of the Gaussian envelope. Typical values for spatial aspect ratio are in the range `[0.23 0.92]`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

mag — Magnitude response for the Gabor filter

numeric array of class `double`

Magnitude response for the Gabor filter, returned as a numeric array of class `double`.

phase — Phase response for the Gabor filter

numeric array of class `double`

Phase response for the Gabor filter, returned as a numeric array of class double.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imgaborfilt` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- The `wavelength`, `orientation`, `SpatialFrequencyBandwidth`, and `SpatialAspectRatio` must be compile-time constants.
- The filter bank syntax is not supported.

See Also

`edge` | `fspecial` | `gabor` | `imfilter` | `imgradient`

Topics

“Texture Segmentation Using Gabor Filters”

Introduced in R2015b

imgaussfilt

2-D Gaussian filtering of images

Syntax

```
B = imgaussfilt(A)
B = imgaussfilt(A,sigma)
B = imgaussfilt( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imgaussfilt(A)` filters image `A` with a 2-D Gaussian smoothing kernel with standard deviation of 0.5, and returns the filtered image in `B`.

You optionally can perform the filtering using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`B = imgaussfilt(A,sigma)` filters image `A` with a 2-D Gaussian smoothing kernel with standard deviation specified by `sigma`.

`B = imgaussfilt(____,Name,Value)` uses name-value pair arguments to control aspects of the filtering.

Examples

Smooth image with Gaussian filter

Read image to be filtered.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Filter the image with a Gaussian filter with standard deviation of 2.

```
Iblur = imgaussfilt(I, 2);
```

Display all results for comparison.

```
subplot(1,2,1)
imshow(I)
title('Original Image');
subplot(1,2,2)
imshow(Iblur)
title('Gaussian filtered image, \sigma = 2')
```

Original Image



Gaussian filtered image, $\sigma = 2$



Smooth Image with Gaussian Filter on a GPU

This example shows how to perform a Gaussian smoothing operation on a GPU.

Read image to be filtered into a `gpuArray`.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));
```

Perform Gaussian smoothing.

```
Iblur = imgaussfilt(I, 2);
```

Display all the results for comparison.

```
subplot(1,2,1), imshow(I), title('Original Image');
```

```
subplot(1,2,2), imshow(Iblur)  
title('Gaussian filtered image, \sigma = 2')
```

Input Arguments

A — Image to be filtered

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Image to be filtered, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

To perform the filtering using a GPU, specify **A** as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

sigma — Standard deviation of the Gaussian distribution

0.5 (default) | positive number | 2-element vector of positive numbers

Standard deviation of the Gaussian distribution, specified as a positive number or a 2-element vector of positive numbers. If you specify a scalar, then `imgaussfilt` uses a square Gaussian kernel.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes.

You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = imgaussfilt(A, 'FilterSize', 3);`

FilterSize — Size of the Gaussian filter

positive, odd integer | 2-element vector of positive, odd integers

Size of the Gaussian filter, specified as a scalar or 2-element vector of positive, odd integers. If you specify a scalar, then `imgaussfilt` uses a square filter. The default filter size is $2 * \text{ceil}(2 * \text{sigma}) + 1$.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Padding — Image padding

'replicate' (default) | numeric scalar | 'circular' | 'symmetric'

Image padding, specified as one of the following.

Value	Description
numeric scalar	Pad image with elements of constant value.
'circular'	Pad with circular repetition of elements within the dimension.
'replicate'	Pad by repeating border elements of array.
'symmetric'	Pad image with mirror reflections of itself.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical` | `char` | `string`

FilterDomain — Domain in which to perform filtering

'auto' (default) | 'spatial' | 'frequency'

Domain in which to perform filtering, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'auto'	Perform convolution in the spatial or frequency domain, based on internal heuristics.
'frequency'	Perform convolution in the frequency domain.
'spatial'	Perform convolution in the spatial domain.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

numeric array | gpuArray

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array of the same class and size as the input image, A.

If the image is filtered using a GPU, then B is returned as a gpuArray containing a numeric array.

Tips

- If image A contains Infs or NaNs, then the behavior of `imgaussfilt` for frequency domain filtering is undefined. This can happen if you set the `'FilterDomain'` parameter to `'frequency'` or if you set it to `'auto'` and `imgaussfilt` uses frequency domain filtering. To restrict the propagation of Infs and NaNs in the output in a manner similar to `imfilter`, consider setting the `'FilterDomain'` parameter to `'spatial'`.
- If you set the `'FilterDomain'` parameter to `'auto'`, then `imgaussfilt` uses an internal heuristic to determine whether spatial or frequency domain filtering is faster. This heuristic is machine dependent and may vary for different configurations. For optimal performance, try both options, `'spatial'` and `'frequency'`, to determine the best filtering domain for your image and kernel size.
- If you do not specify the `'Padding'` parameter, then `imgaussfilt` uses `'replicate'` padding by default, which is different from the default used by `imfilter`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- If you set the `FilterDomain` parameter to `'frequency'`, this function supports the generation of C code using MATLAB Coder. If you set the `FilterDomain` parameter to `'spatial'` and you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, generated code uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, all character vector input arguments must be compile-time constants.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`fspecial` | `imfilter` | `imgaussfilt3`

Introduced in R2015a

imgaussfilt3

3-D Gaussian filtering of 3-D images

Syntax

```
B = imgaussfilt3(A)
B = imgaussfilt3(A,sigma)
B = imgaussfilt3( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imgaussfilt3(A)` filters 3-D image `A` with a 3-D Gaussian smoothing kernel with standard deviation of 0.5, and returns the filtered image in `B`.

You optionally can perform the filtering using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`B = imgaussfilt3(A,sigma)` filters 3-D image `A` with a 3-D Gaussian smoothing kernel with standard deviation specified by `sigma`.

`B = imgaussfilt3(____,Name,Value)` uses name-value pair arguments to control aspects of the filtering.

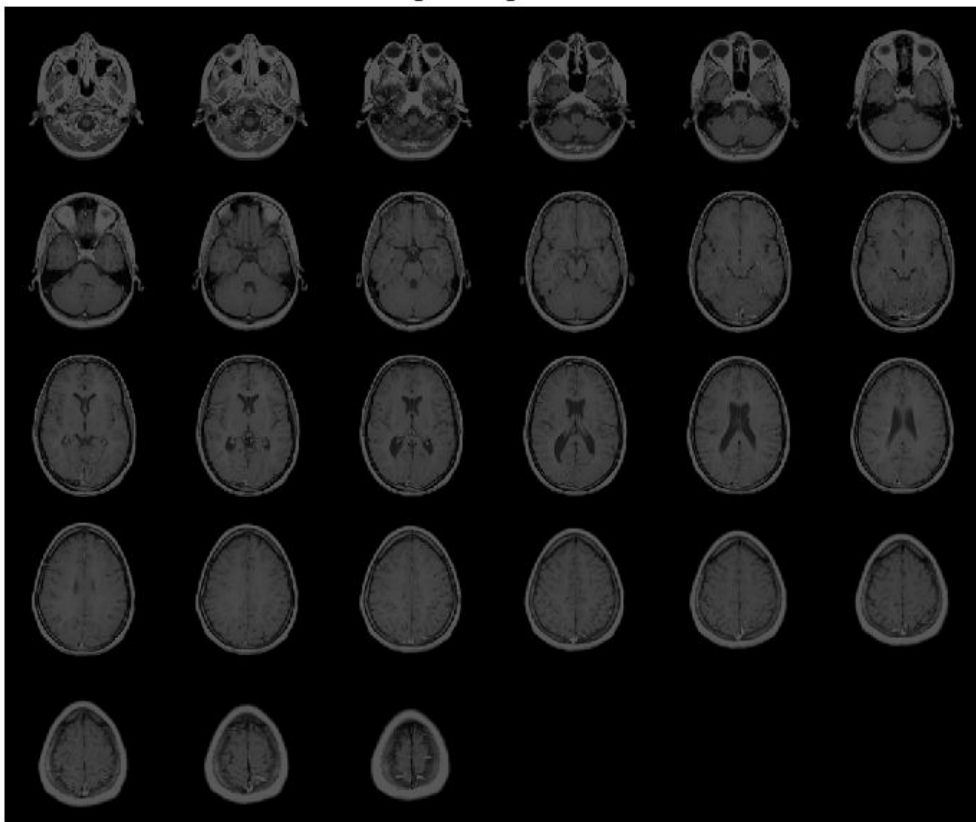
Examples

Smooth MRI volume with 3-D Gaussian filter

Load MRI data and display it.

```
vol = load('mri');
figure
montage(vol.D)
title('Original image volume')
```

Original image volume

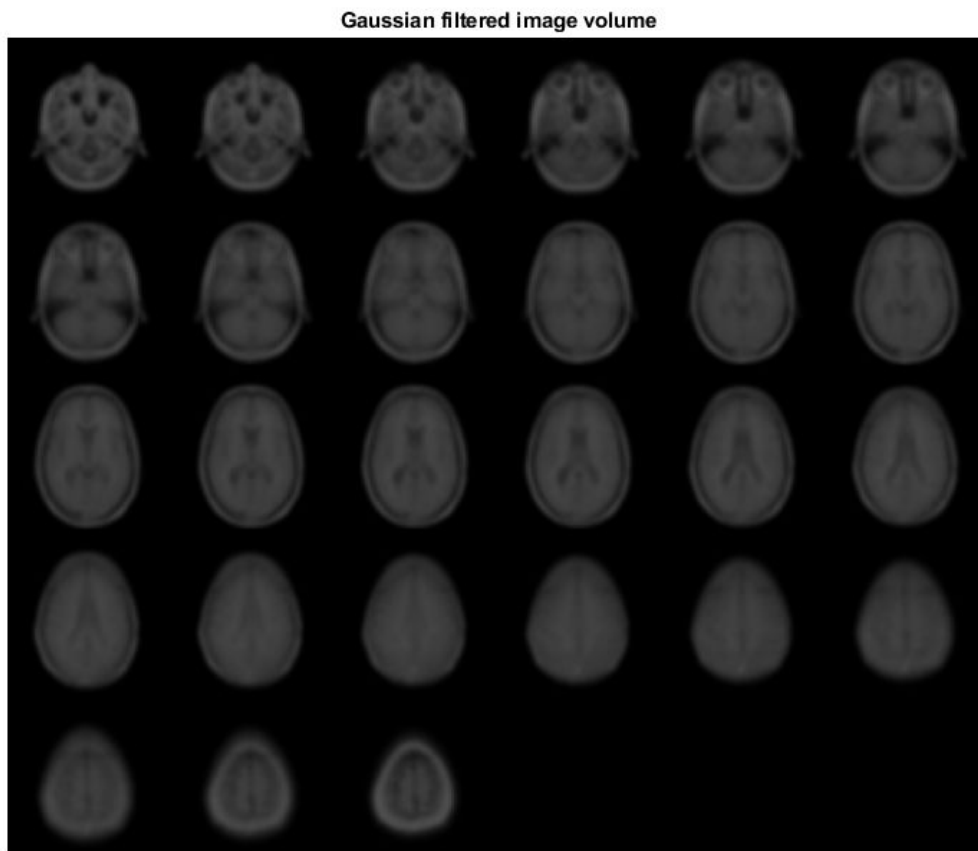


Smooth the image with a 3-D Gaussian filter.

```
siz = vol.siz;  
vol = squeeze(vol.D);  
sigma = 2;  
  
volSmooth = imgaussfilt3(vol, sigma);  
  
figure
```



```
montage(reshape(volSmooth,siz(1),siz(2),1,siz(3)))  
title('Gaussian filtered image volume')
```



Smooth MRI Volume with 3-D Gaussian Filter on a GPU

This example shows how to perform a 3-D Gaussian smoothing operation on a GPU.

Load MRI data to be filtered.

```
vol = load('mri');  
figure, montage(vol.D), title('Original image volume')
```

Create a `gpuArray` containing the volume data and perform Gaussian smoothing.

```
siz = vol.siz;  
vol = gpuArray(squeeze(vol.D));  
sigma = 2;  
  
volSmooth = imgaussfilt3(vol, sigma);
```

Collect the smoothed data from the GPU (using the `gather` function) and display all the results for comparison.

```
figure, montage(reshape(gather(volSmooth),siz(1),siz(2),1,siz(3)))  
title('Gaussian filtered image volume')
```

Input Arguments

A — Image to be filtered

3-D numeric array | `gpuArray`

Image to be filtered, specified as a 3-D numeric array.

To perform the filtering using a GPU, specify **A** as a `gpuArray` that contains a 3-D numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `uint8` | `int16` | `uint16` | `int32` | `uint32`

sigma — Standard deviation of the Gaussian distribution

0.5 (default) | positive number | 3-element vector of positive numbers

Standard deviation of the Gaussian distribution, specified as positive number or a 3-element vector of positive numbers. If **sigma** is a scalar, then `imgaussfilt3` uses a cubic Gaussian kernel.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of **Name**, **Value** arguments. **Name** is the argument name and **Value** is the corresponding value. **Name** must appear inside quotes.

You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN.

Example: `volSmooth = imgaussfilt3(vol,sigma,'padding','circular');`

FilterSize — Size of the Gaussian filter

positive, odd, integer | 3-element vector of positive, odd, integers

Size of the Gaussian filter, specified as a scalar or 3-element vector of positive, odd, integers. If you specify a scalar, then `imgaussfilt3` uses a cubic filter. The default filter size is $2*\text{ceil}(2*\text{sigma})+1$.

Example: `volSmooth = imgaussfilt3(vol,sigma,'FilterSize',5);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Padding — Image padding

'replicate' (default) | 'circular' | 'symmetric' | numeric scalar

Image padding, specified as one of the following.

Value	Description
numeric scalar	Pad image with elements of constant value.
'circular'	Pad with circular repetition of elements within the dimension.
'replicate'	Pad by repeating border elements of array.
'symmetric'	Pad image with mirror reflections of itself.

Example: `volSmooth = imgaussfilt3(vol,sigma,'padding','circular');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical` | `char` | `string`

FilterDomain — Domain in which to perform filtering

'auto' (default) | 'frequency' | 'spatial'

Domain in which to perform filtering, specified as one of the following values.

Filter Domain	Description
'auto'	Perform convolution in the spatial or frequency domain, based on internal heuristics.

Filter Domain	Description
'frequency'	Perform convolution in the frequency domain.
'spatial'	Perform convolution in the spatial domain.

Example: `volSmooth = imgaussfilt3(vol,sigma,'FilterDomain','frequency');`

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

`numeric array` | `gpuArray`

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array of the same class and size as input image.

If the image is filtered using a GPU, then **B** is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Tips

- If image **A** contains `Inf`s or `NaN`s, then the behavior of `imgaussfilt3` for frequency domain filtering is undefined. This can happen if you set the `'FilterDomain'` parameter to `'frequency'` or if you set it to `'auto'` and `imgaussfilt3` uses frequency domain filtering. To restrict the propagation of `Inf`s and `NaN`s in the output in a manner similar to `imfilter`, consider setting the `'FilterDomain'` parameter to `'spatial'`.
- If you set the `'FilterDomain'` parameter to `'auto'`, then `imgaussfilt3` uses an internal heuristic to determine whether spatial or frequency domain filtering is faster. This heuristic is machine-dependent and may vary for different configurations. For optimal performance, try both options, `'spatial'` and `'frequency'`, to determine the best filtering domain for your image and kernel size.
- If you do not specify the `'Padding'` parameter, then `imgaussfilt3` uses `'replicate'` padding by default, which is different from the default used by `imfilter`.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`imfilter` | `imgaussfilt`

Introduced in R2015a

imgca

Get current axes containing image

Syntax

```
ax = imgca  
ax = imgca(fig)
```

Description

`ax = imgca` returns the current axes that contains an image. The current axes can be in a regular figure window or in an Image Tool window. Note that the current axes that contains an image might not be the same as the most recently accessed axes.

If no figure contains an axes that contains an image, then `imgca` creates a new axes.

`ax = imgca(fig)` returns the current axes that contains an image in the specified figure.

Examples

Get Axes Containing Image

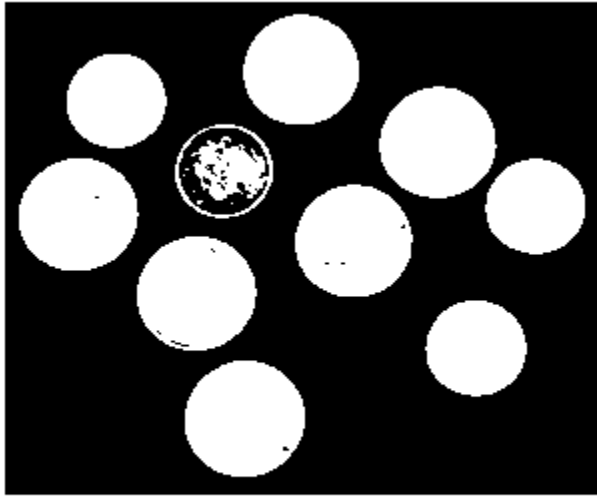
Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');  
imshow(I)
```



Convert the image into a binary image.

```
bw = imbinarize(I);  
imshow(bw)
```

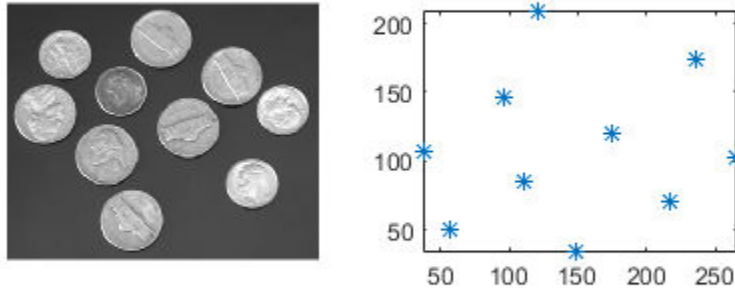


Fill holes in the binary objects, then calculate the centroids of the objects.

```
bw2 = imfill(bw, 'holes');  
s = regionprops(bw2, 'centroid');  
centroids = cat(1, s.Centroid);
```

Display the original image and a plot of the centroids in the same figure window. Note that the current axes contains the plot of the centroids, not the displayed image.

```
subplot(1,2,1)  
imshow(I)  
subplot(1,2,2)  
plot(centroids(:,1),centroids(:,2), '*')  
axis image
```

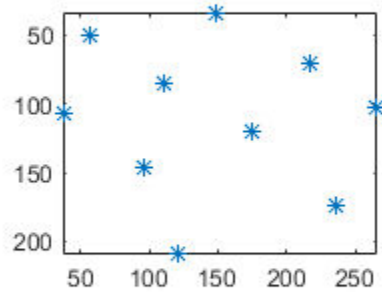
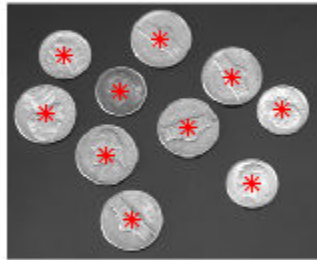



The direction of the y -axis is reversed for images. For equivalent comparison of the image and the plot of the centroids, reverse the y -axis direction of the plot. To get the most recent axes, which contains the plot of the centroids, use the `gca` function.

```
h = gca;
h.YDir = 'reverse';
```

Use `imgca` to get the most recent axes containing an image. Note that this axes is not the most recent axes. Overlay the centroids in red asterisks on the image.

```
hIm = imgca;
hold(hIm, 'on')
plot(hIm, centroids(:,1), centroids(:,2), 'r*')
hold(hIm, 'off')
```



Input Arguments

fig — Figure

figure object

Figure, specified as a figure object.

Output Arguments

ax — Axes

axes object

Current axes containing an image, returned as an axes object.

Tips

- `imgca` can be useful in returning the axes object in the Image Tool. You cannot retrieve this axes using `gca`.

See Also

`gca` | `gcf` | `imgcf` | `imhandles`

Introduced before R2006a

imgcf

Get current figure containing image

Syntax

```
fig = imgcf
```

Description

`fig = imgcf` returns the current figure that contains an image. The figure may be a regular figure window that contains at least one image or an Image Tool window.

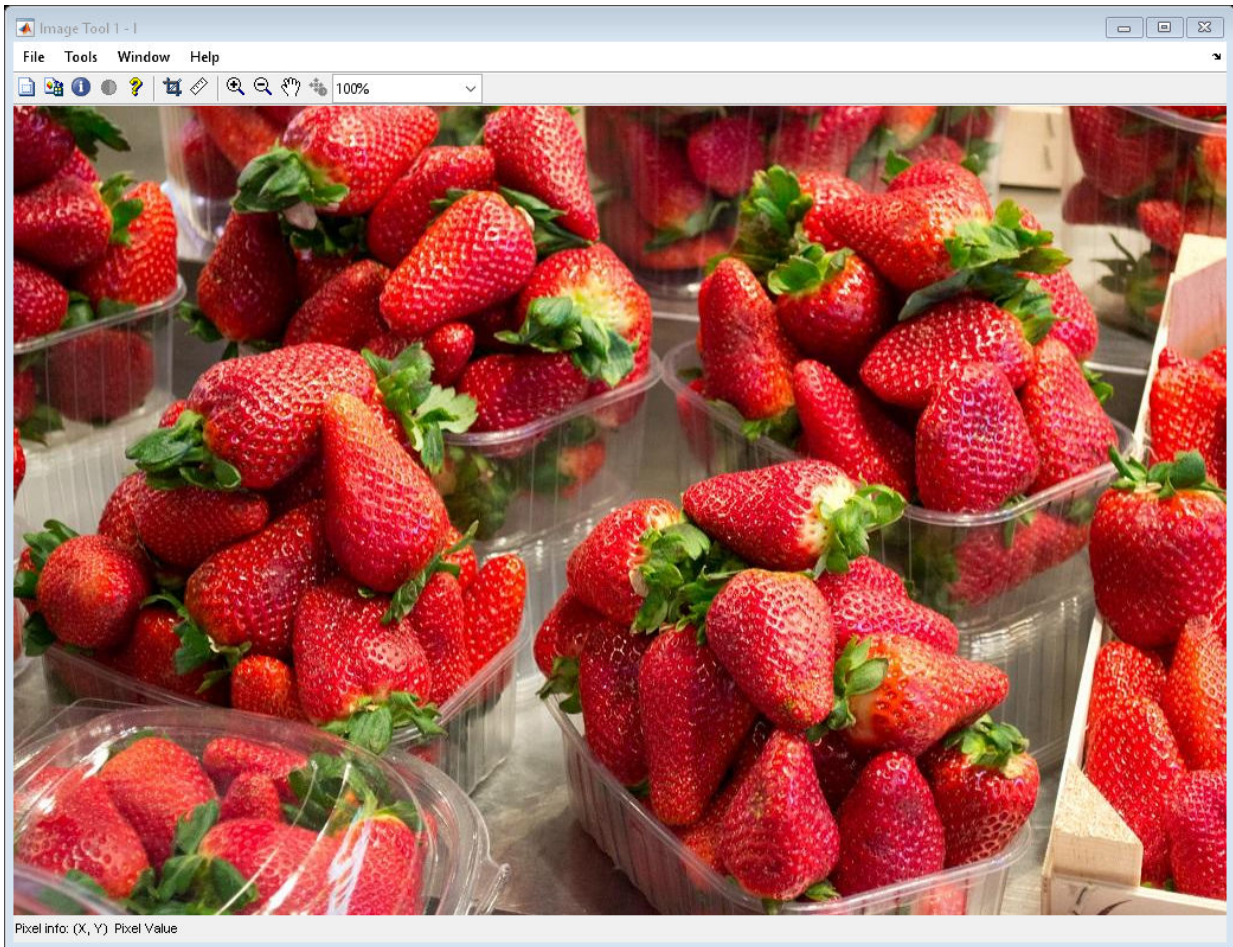
If none of the figures currently open contains an image, then `imgcf` creates a new figure.

Examples

Use Figure Handle in Image Tool Window

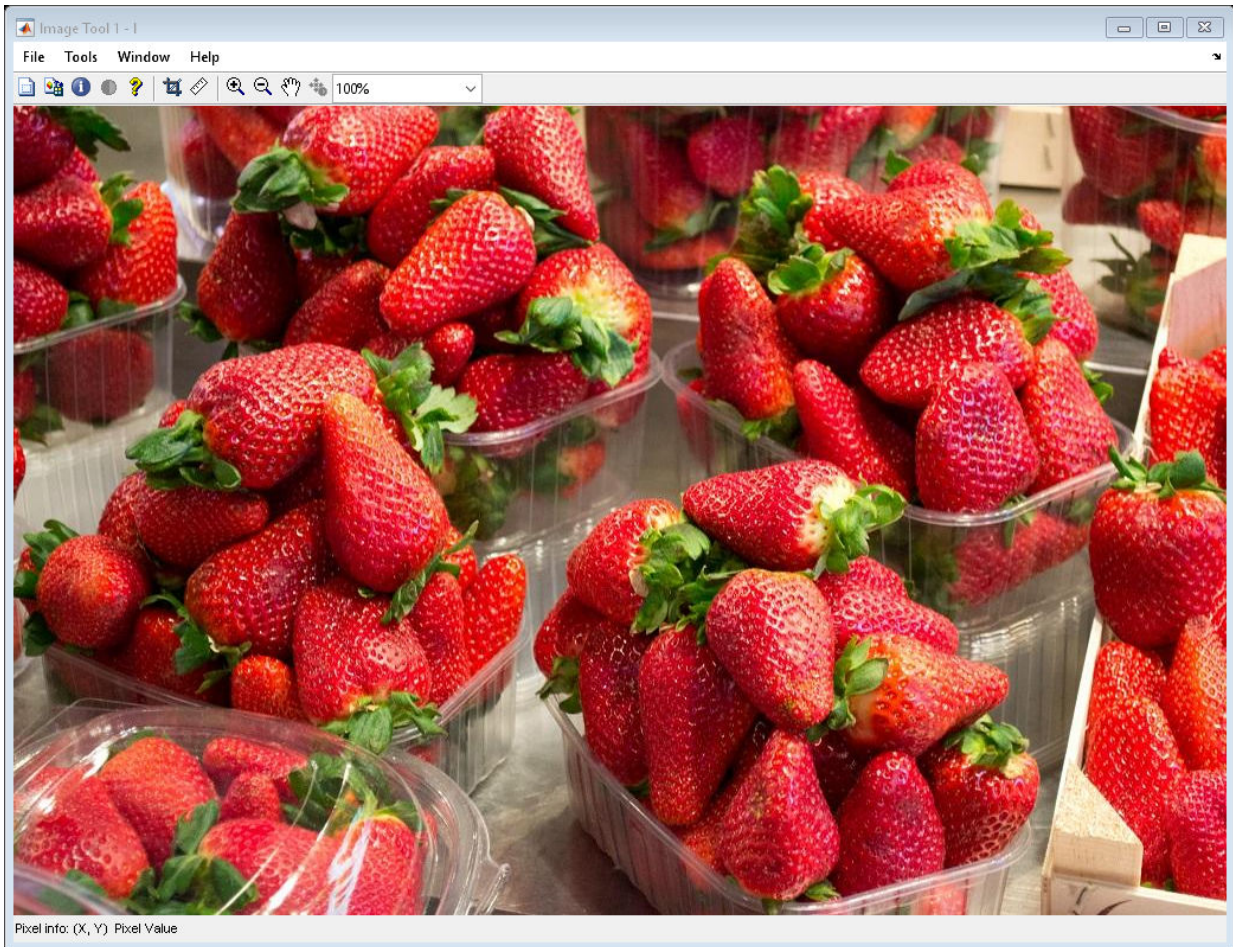
Open an image in an Image Tool window.

```
I = imread('strawberries.jpg');  
imshow(I)
```



Use the handle of a figure containing an Image Tool window to center the window on the screen.

```
sz = get(groot, 'ScreenSize');  
pos = get(imgcf, 'Position');  
pos = [(sz(3)-pos(3))/2 (sz(4)-pos(4))/2 pos(3) pos(4)];  
set(imgcf, 'Position', pos)
```



Output Arguments

fig — **Figure**
figure object

Current figure containing an image, returned as a figure object.

Tips

- `imgcf` can be useful in getting the figure used by the Image Tool. You cannot retrieve the tool figure using `gcf`.

See Also

`gca` | `gcf` | `imgca` | `imhandles`

Introduced before R2006a

imgetfile

Display Open Image dialog box

Syntax

```
[filename,user_canceled] = imgetfile  
[filename,user_canceled] = imgetfile(Name,Value)
```

Description

[filename,user_canceled] = imgetfile displays the Open Image dialog box. Use this dialog box in imaging applications to get the name of the image file a user wants to open. The Open Image dialog box includes only files that use supported image file formats (listed in `imformats`) and DICOM files. When the user selects a file and clicks **Open**, imgetfile returns the full path of the file in `filename` and sets the `user_canceled` return value to `false`. If the user clicks **Cancel**, imgetfile returns an empty character vector (' ') in `filename` and sets the `user_canceled` return value to `true`.

Note The Open Image dialog box is modal; it blocks the MATLAB command line until the user responds.

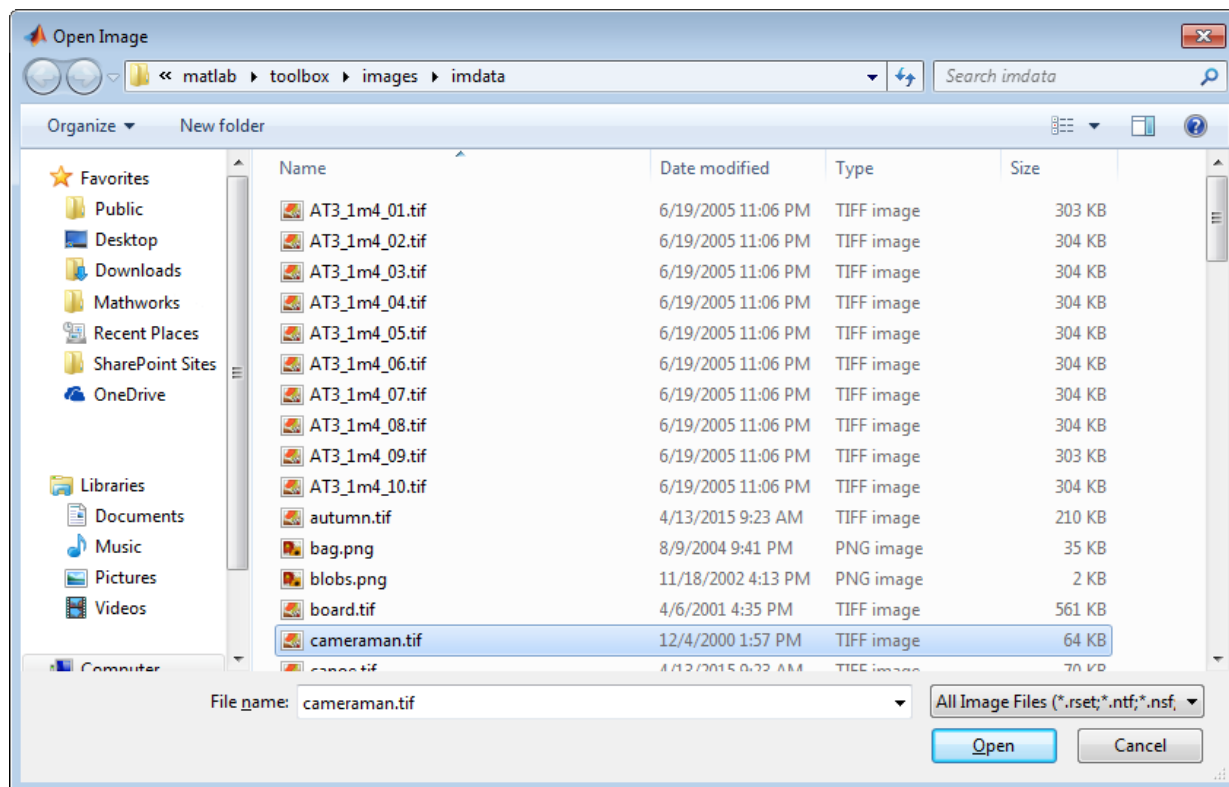
[filename,user_canceled] = imgetfile(Name,Value) supports name-value parameter arguments that you can use to control aspects of its behavior.

Examples

Get Name of File Selected from Specified Folder

Open the Open Image dialog box, and show the folder that contains the Image Processing Toolbox sample images.


```
sample_image_folder = fullfile(matlabroot,'toolbox/images/imdata');  
[filename,user_canceled] = imgetfile('InitialPath',sample_image_folder)
```



Select an image in the list, and click **Open**. `imgetfile` returns the full path of the image file selected as a character vector. The `user_canceled` return value is set to false.

`filename =`

`C:\Program Files\MATLAB\R2016b\toolbox\images\imdata\cameraman.tif`

`user_canceled =`

`logical`

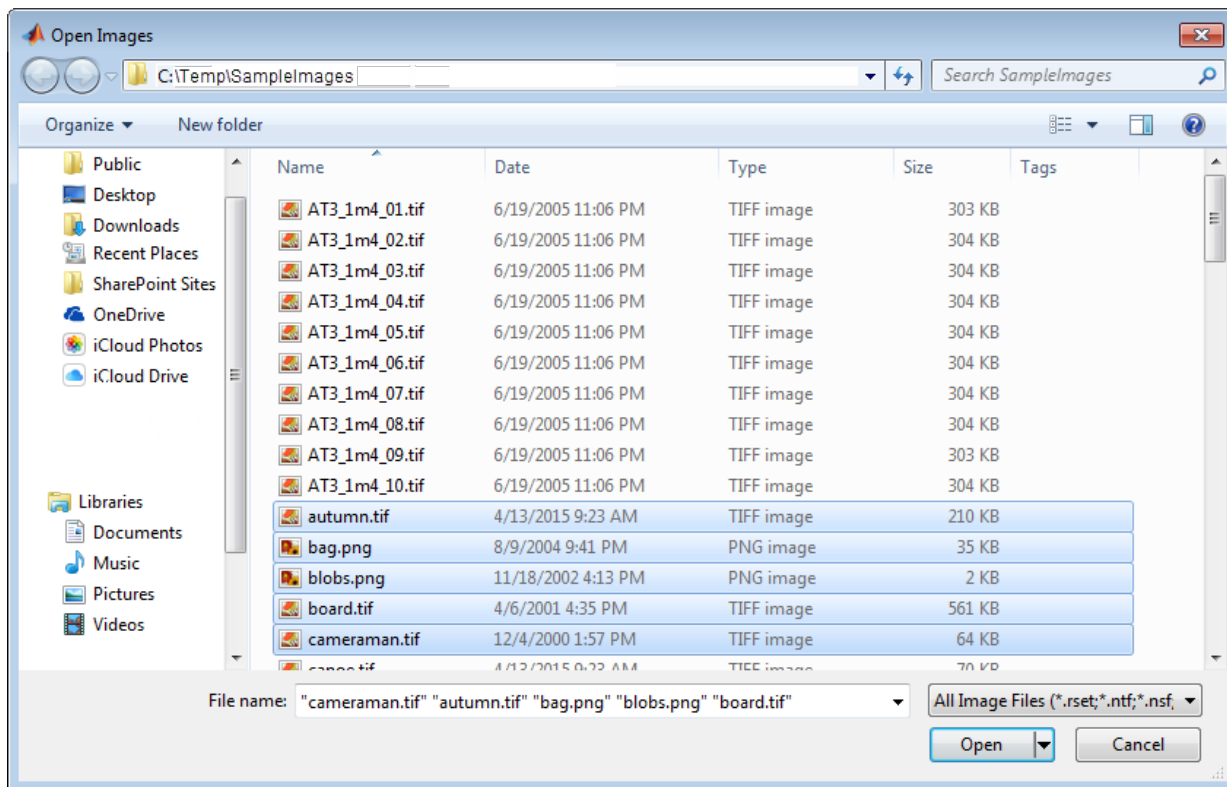
0

Get Names of Multiple Files from Specified Folder

Open the Open Image dialog box. This example assumes you have a folder that contains sample images on your system C: drive.

```
[filename,user_canceled] = imgetfile('InitialPath','C:\Temp\SampleImages','MultiSelect
```

Select several images in the list using **Shift+Click** or **Ctrl+Click**.



Click **Open**. `imgetfile` returns a cell array of character vectors that contain the full path of each image file. The `user_canceled` return value is set to `false`.

```

filename =
    1x5 cell array

    Columns 1 through 3
        'C:\Temp\SampleIma...'   'C:\Temp\SampleIma...'   'C:\Temp\SampleIma...'

    Columns 4 through 5
        'C:\Temp\SampleIma...'   'C:\Temp\SampleIma...'

user_canceled =
    logical
    0

```

Input Arguments

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `[fname,user_canc] = imgetfile('InitialPath','C:\temp')`

InitialPath — Folder displayed when the Open Image dialog box opens

character vector | string scalar

Folder displayed when the Open Image dialog box opens, specified as a string scalar or character vector. If you do not specify an initial path, `imgetfile` opens the dialog box at the last location where an image was successfully selected.

Data Types: char

MultiSelect — Selection mode

false (default) | true | 'on' | 'off'

Selection mode, specified as 'on' or 'off', or a Boolean value `true` or `false`. The value `true` or 'on' turns on multiple selection, enabling a user to select more than one image in the dialog box using **Shift+click** or **Ctrl+click**. The value `false` or 'off' turns off multiple selection. If multiple selection is on, the output parameter `filename` is a cell array of character vectors containing the full paths to the selected files.

Data Types: `logical` | `char`

Output Arguments

filename — Full path of image or images selected by the user

`character vector` | `cell array of character vectors`

Full path of image or images selected by the user, returned as a character vector or cell array of character vectors. If the user clicked **Cancel**, `filename` is an empty character vector ('').

user_canceled — User clicked Cancel

`false` | `true`

User clicked **Cancel**, returned as a Boolean scalar. The value is `true` if the user clicked **Cancel** or `false` if the user selected an image or images.

See Also

`imformats` | `imputfile` | `imtool` | `uigetfile`

Introduced before R2006a

imgradient

Gradient magnitude and direction of an image

Syntax

```
[Gmag,Gdir] = imgradient(I)
[Gmag,Gdir] = imgradient(I,method)
[Gmag,Gdir] = imgradient(Gx,Gy)
```

Description

`[Gmag,Gdir] = imgradient(I)` returns the gradient magnitude, `Gmag`, and the gradient direction, `Gdir`, of the 2-D grayscale or binary image `I`.

You optionally can compute the gradient magnitude and direction using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`[Gmag,Gdir] = imgradient(I,method)` returns the gradient magnitude and direction using the specified method.

`[Gmag,Gdir] = imgradient(Gx,Gy)` returns the gradient magnitude and direction from the directional gradients `Gx` and `Gy` in the `x` and `y` directions, respectively.

Examples

Calculate Gradient Magnitude and Direction Using Prewitt Method

Read an image into workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
```

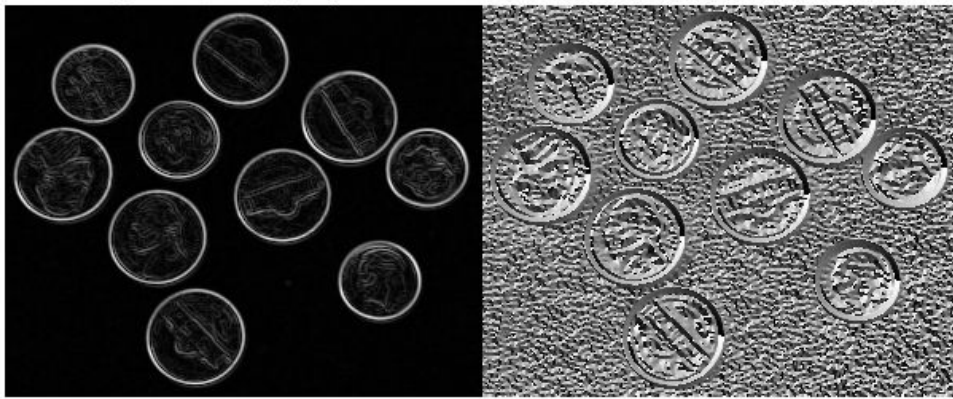
Calculate the gradient magnitude and direction, specifying the Prewitt gradient operator.

```
[Gmag, Gdir] = imgradient(I,'prewitt');
```

Display the gradient magnitude and direction.

```
figure
imshowpair(Gmag, Gdir, 'montage');
title('Gradient Magnitude, Gmag (left), and Gradient Direction, Gdir (right), using Prewitt method')
```

Gradient Magnitude, Gmag (left), and Gradient Direction, Gdir (right), using Prewitt method



Calculate Gradient Magnitude and Direction Using Directional Gradients

Read an image into workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
```

Calculate the x - and y -directional gradients. By default, `imgradientxy` uses the Sobel gradient operator.

```
[Gx,Gy] = imgradientxy(I);
```

Display the directional gradients.

```
imshowpair(Gx,Gy, 'montage')
title('Directional Gradients Gx and Gy, Using Sobel Method')
```



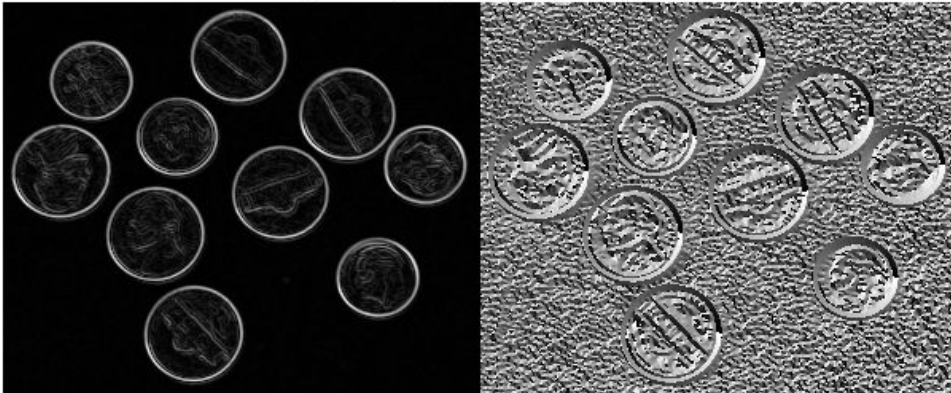
Calculate the gradient magnitude and direction using the directional gradients.

```
[Gmag,Gdir] = imgradient(Gx,Gy);
```

Display the gradient magnitude and direction.

```
imshowpair(Gmag,Gdir,'montage')  
title('Gradient Magnitude (Left) and Gradient Direction (Right)')
```

Gradient Magnitude (Left) and Gradient Direction (Right)



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D binary image

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale or 2-D binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

method — Gradient operator

'sobel' (default) | 'prewitt' | 'central' | 'intermediate' | 'roberts'

Gradient operator, specified as one of the following values.

Method	Description
'sobel'	<p>Sobel gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted sum of pixels in the 3-by-3 neighborhood. For gradients in the vertical (y) direction, the weights are:</p> $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ <p>In the x direction, the weights are transposed.</p>
'prewitt'	<p>Prewitt gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted sum of pixels in the 3-by-3 neighborhood. For gradients in the vertical (y) direction, the weights are:</p> $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ <p>In the x direction, the weights are transposed.</p>
'central'	<p>Central difference gradient. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted difference of neighboring pixels. In the y direction, $dI/dy = (I(y+1) - I(y-1))/2$.</p>
'intermediate'	<p>Intermediate difference gradient. The gradient of a pixel is the difference between an adjacent pixel and the current pixel. In the y direction, $dI/dy = I(y+1) - I(y)$.</p>
'roberts'	<p>Roberts gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is the difference between diagonally adjacent pixels. For gradients in one direction, the weights are:</p> $\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$ <p>In the orthogonal direction, the weights are flipped along the vertical axis.</p>

Data Types: char | string

Gx — Horizontal gradient

numeric matrix

Horizontal gradient, specified as a numeric matrix. The horizontal (x) axis points in the direction of increasing column subscripts. You can use the `imgradientxy` function to calculate `Gx`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Gy — Vertical gradient

numeric matrix

Vertical gradient, specified as a numeric matrix of the same size as `Gx`. The vertical (y) axis points in the direction of increasing row subscripts. You can use the `imgradientxy` function to calculate `Gy`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

Gmag — Gradient magnitude

numeric matrix

Gradient magnitude, returned as a numeric matrix of the same size as image `I` or the directional gradients `Gx` and `Gy`. `Gmag` is of class `double`, unless the input image or directional gradients are of class `single`, in which case it is of class `single`.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

Gdir — Gradient direction

numeric matrix

Gradient direction, returned as a numeric matrix of the same size as gradient magnitude `Gmag`. `Gdir` contains angles in degrees within the range `[-180, 180]` measured counterclockwise from the positive x-axis. (The x-axis points in the direction of increasing column subscripts.) `Gdir` is of class `double`, unless the input image `I` or directional gradients are of class `single`, in which case it is of class `single`.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

Tips

- When applying the gradient operator at the boundaries of the image, values outside the bounds of the image are assumed to equal the nearest image border value. This is similar to the 'replicate' boundary option in `imfilter`.

Algorithms

The algorithmic approach taken in `imgradient` for each of the listed gradient methods is to first compute directional gradients, G_x and G_y , in the x and y directions, respectively. The horizontal (x) axis points in the direction of increasing column subscripts. The vertical (y) axis points in the direction of increasing row subscripts. The gradient magnitude and direction are then computed from their orthogonal components G_x and G_y .

`imgradient` does not normalize the gradient output. If the range of the gradient output image has to match the range of the input image, consider normalizing the gradient image, depending on the method argument used. For example, with a Sobel kernel, the normalization factor is $1/8$, for Prewitt, it is $1/6$, and for Roberts it is $1/2$.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`edge` | `fspecial` | `imgradient3` | `imgradientxy` | `imgradientxyz`

Introduced in R2012b

imgradient3

Find 3-D gradient magnitude and direction of images

Syntax

```
[Gmag,Gazimuth,Gelevation] = imgradient3(I)
[Gmag,Gazimuth,Gelevation] = imgradient3(I,method)
[Gmag,Gazimuth,Gelevation] = imgradient3(Gx,Gy,Gz)
```

Description

`[Gmag,Gazimuth,Gelevation] = imgradient3(I)` returns the gradient magnitude, `Gmag`, gradient direction, `Gazimuth`, and gradient elevation `Gelevation` of the 3-D grayscale or binary image `I`.

`[Gmag,Gazimuth,Gelevation] = imgradient3(I,method)` calculates the gradient magnitude, direction, and elevation using the specified method.

`[Gmag,Gazimuth,Gelevation] = imgradient3(Gx,Gy,Gz)` calculates the gradient magnitude, direction, and elevation from the directional gradients `Gx`, `Gy`, and `Gz` in the `x`, `y`, and `z` directions, respectively.

Examples

Compute 3-D Gradient Magnitude and Direction Using Sobel Method

Read 3-D data into the workspace and prepare it for processing.

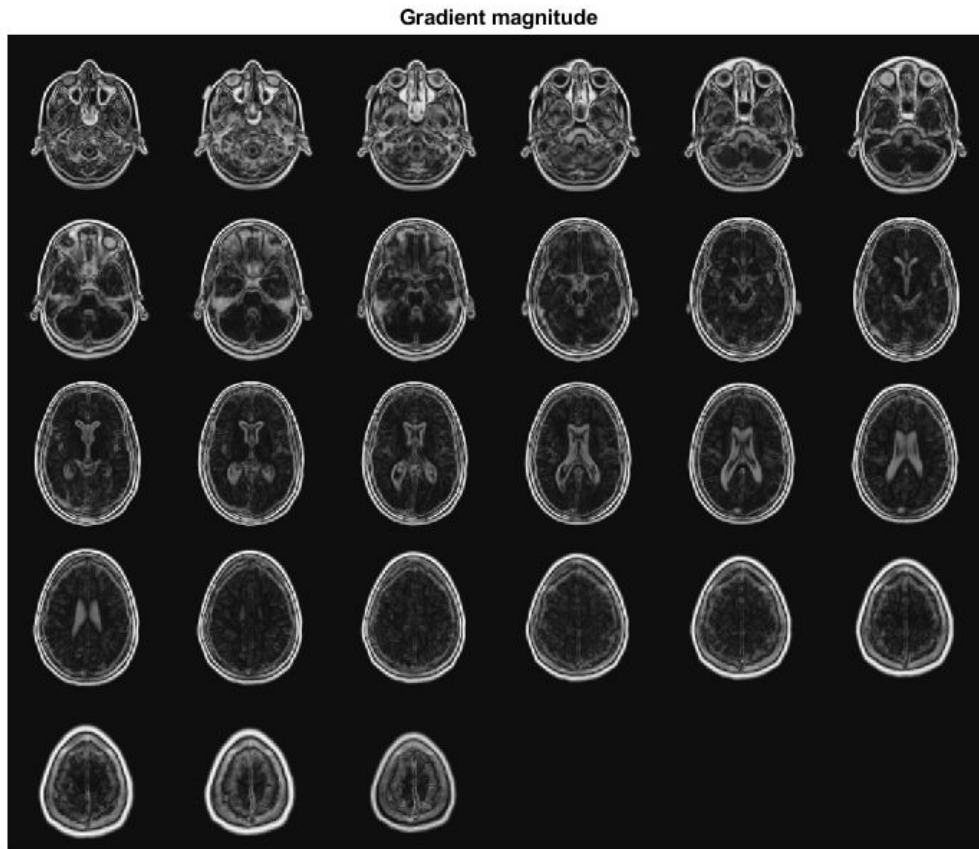
```
volData = load('mri');
sz = volData.size;
vol = squeeze(volData.D);
```

Calculate the gradients.

```
[Gmag, Gaz, Gelev] = imgradient3(vol);
```

Visualize the gradient magnitude as a montage.

```
figure,  
montage(reshape(Gmag,sz(1),sz(2),1,sz(3)),'DisplayRange',[1])  
title('Gradient magnitude')
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

3-D grayscale image | 3-D binary image

Input image, specified as a 3-D grayscale image or 3-D binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

method — Gradient operator

'sobel' (default) | 'prewitt' | 'central' | 'intermediate'

Gradient operator, specified as one of the following values.

Value	Meaning						
'sobel'	<p>Sobel gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted sum of pixels in the 3-by-3-by-3 neighborhood. For example, in the depth (z) direction, the weights in the three planes are:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>plane z-1</th> <th>plane z</th> <th>plane z+1</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>[1 3 1 3 6 3 1 3 1]</td> <td>[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]</td> <td>[-1 -3 -1 -3 -6 -3 -1 -3 -1]</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	plane z-1	plane z	plane z+1	[1 3 1 3 6 3 1 3 1]	[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]	[-1 -3 -1 -3 -6 -3 -1 -3 -1]
plane z-1	plane z	plane z+1					
[1 3 1 3 6 3 1 3 1]	[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]	[-1 -3 -1 -3 -6 -3 -1 -3 -1]					
'prewitt'	<p>Prewitt gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted sum of pixels in the 3-by-3-by-3 neighborhood. For example, in the depth (z) direction, the weights in the three planes are:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>plane z-1</th> <th>plane z</th> <th>plane z+1</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>[1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]</td> <td>[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]</td> <td>[-1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	plane z-1	plane z	plane z+1	[1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]	[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]	[-1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]
plane z-1	plane z	plane z+1					
[1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]	[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]	[-1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]					
'central'	<p>Central difference gradient. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted difference of neighboring pixels. For example, in the depth (z) direction, $dI/dz = (I(z+1) - I(z-1))/2$.</p>						
'intermediate'	<p>Intermediate difference gradient. The gradient of a pixel is the difference between an adjacent pixel and the current pixel. For example, in the depth (z) direction, $dI/dz = I(z+1) - I(z)$.</p>						

When applying the gradient operator at the boundaries of the image, `imgradient3` assumes values outside the bounds of the image equal the nearest image border value. This behavior is similar to the 'replicate' boundary option in `imfilter`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Gx — Horizontal gradient

3-D numeric array

Horizontal gradient, specified as a 3-D numeric array. The horizontal (x) axis points in the direction of increasing column subscripts. You can use the `imgradientxyz` function to calculate Gx.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Gy — Vertical gradient

3-D numeric array

Vertical gradient, specified as a 3-D numeric array of the same size as Gx. The vertical (y) axis points in the direction of increasing row subscripts. You can use the `imgradientxyz` function to calculate Gy.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Gz — Depth gradient

3-D numeric array

Depth gradient, specified as a 3-D numeric array of the same size as Gx. The depth (z) axis points in the direction of increasing plane subscripts. You can use the `imgradientxyz` function to calculate Gz.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

Gmag — Magnitude of the gradient vector

3-D numeric array

Magnitude of the gradient vector, returned as a 3-D numeric array of the same size as image I or the directional gradients, Gx, Gy, and Gz.

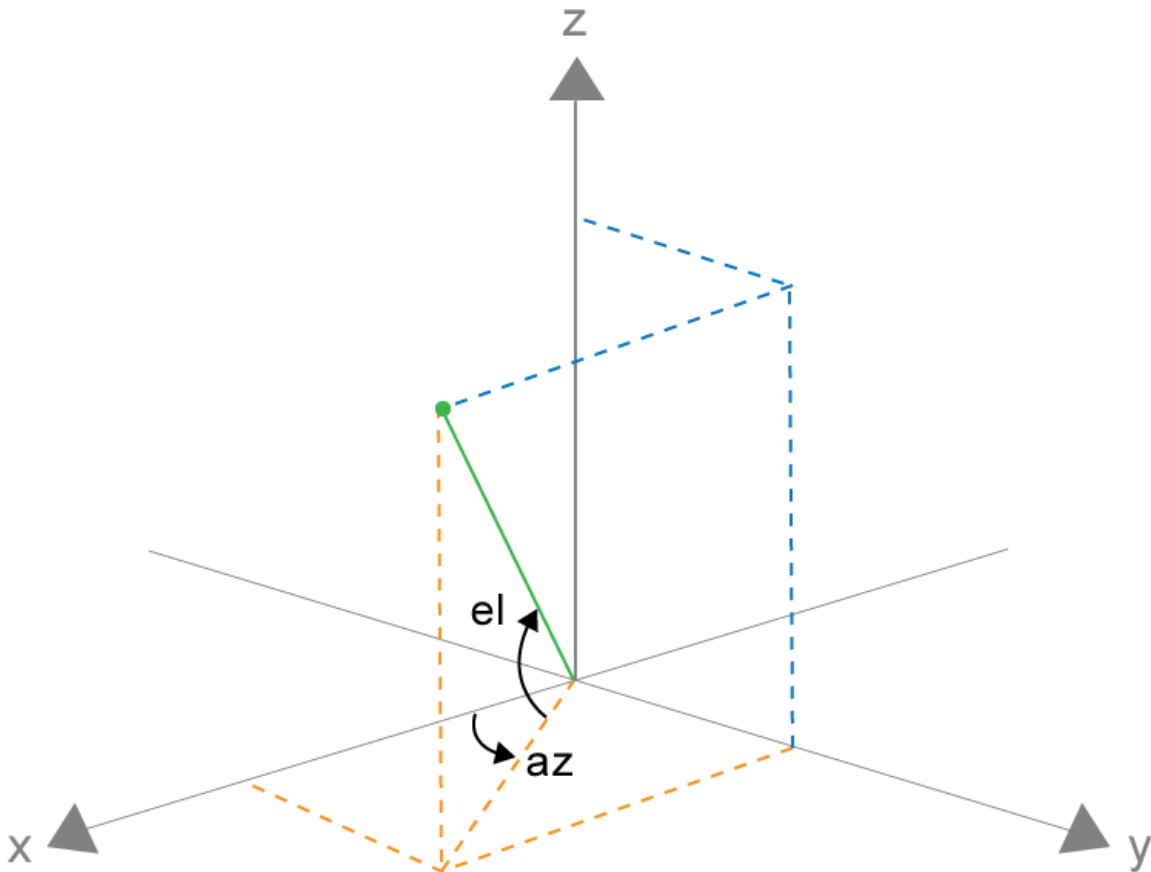
`Gmag` is of class `double`, unless the input image or any of the directional gradients are of class `single`. In this case, `Gmag` is of class `single`.

Gazimuth — Azimuthal angle

3-D numeric array

Azimuthal angle, returned as a 3-D numeric array of the same size as the gradient magnitude, `Gmag`. `Gazimuth` contains angles in degrees within the range `[-180, 180]` measured between positive `x`-axis and the projection of the point on the `x-y` plane.

`Gazimuth` is of class `double`, unless the input image or any of the directional gradients are of class `single`. In this case, `Gmag` is of class `single`.



Gazimuth and Gelevation

Gelevation – Gradient elevation

3-D numeric array

Gradient elevation, returned as a 3-D numeric array of the same size as the gradient magnitude, `Gmag`. `Gelevation` contains angles in degrees within the range `[-90, 90]` measured between the radial line and the x-y plane.

Gelevation is of class `double`, unless the input image or any of the directional gradients are of class `single`. In this case, `Gmag` is of class `single`.

Algorithms

`imgradient3` does not normalize the gradient output. If the range of the gradient output image has to match the range of the input image, consider normalizing the gradient image, depending on the `method` argument used. For example, with a Sobel kernel, the normalization factor is $1/44$ and for Prewitt, the normalization factor is $1/18$.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imgradient3` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, the input argument `method` must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`imgradient` | `imgradientxy` | `imgradientxyz`

Introduced in R2016a

imgradientxy

Directional gradients of an image

Syntax

```
[Gx,Gy] = imgradientxy(I)  
[Gx,Gy] = imgradientxy(I,method)
```

Description

`[Gx,Gy] = imgradientxy(I)` returns the directional gradients, Gx and Gy of the grayscale or binary image I.

You optionally can compute the directional gradients using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`[Gx,Gy] = imgradientxy(I,method)` returns the directional gradients using the specified method.

Examples

Calculate Directional Gradients Using Prewitt Method

Read an image into workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
```

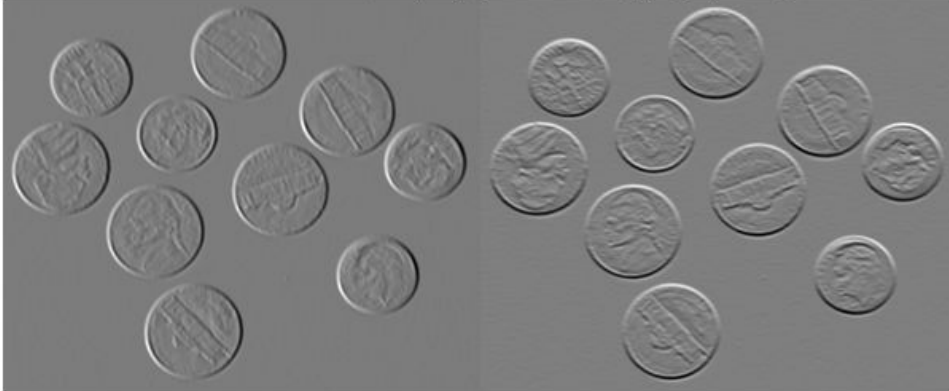
Calculate the x- and y-directional gradients using the Prewitt gradient operator.

```
[Gx, Gy] = imgradientxy(I, 'prewitt');
```

Display the directional gradients.

```
figure
imshowpair(Gx, Gy, 'montage');
title('Directional Gradients: x-direction, Gx (left), y-direction, Gy (right), using Prewitt method')
```

Directional Gradients: x-direction, Gx (left), y-direction, Gy (right), using Prewitt method



Calculate Gradient Magnitude and Direction Using Directional Gradients

Read an image into workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
```

Calculate the x- and y-directional gradients. By default, `imgradientxy` uses the Sobel gradient operator.

```
[Gx,Gy] = imgradientxy(I);
```

Display the directional gradients.

```
imshowpair(Gx,Gy,'montage')
title('Directional Gradients Gx and Gy, Using Sobel Method')
```



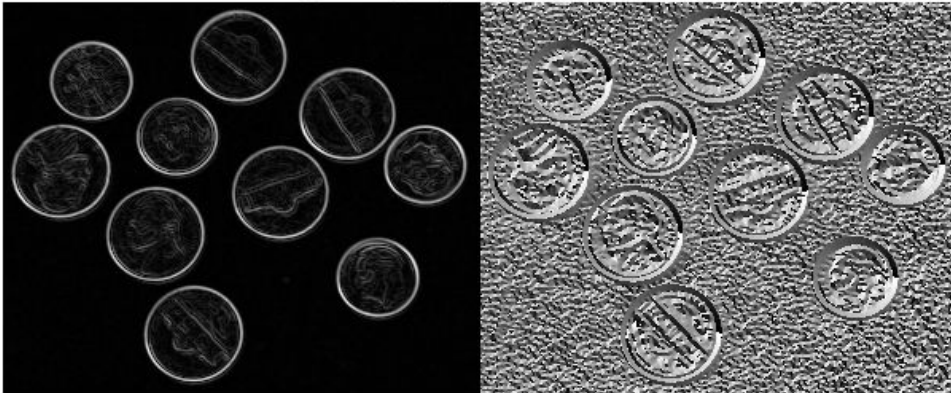
Calculate the gradient magnitude and direction using the directional gradients.

```
[Gmag,Gdir] = imgradient(Gx,Gy);
```

Display the gradient magnitude and direction.

```
imshowpair(Gmag,Gdir,'montage')  
title('Gradient Magnitude (Left) and Gradient Direction (Right)')
```

Gradient Magnitude (Left) and Gradient Direction (Right)



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D binary image

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale image or 2-D binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

method — Gradient operator

'sobel' (default) | 'prewitt' | 'central' | 'intermediate'

Gradient operator, specified as one of the following values.

Method	Description
'sobel'	<p>Sobel gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted sum of pixels in the 3-by-3 neighborhood. In the vertical (y) direction, the weights are:</p> <pre>[1 2 1 0 0 0 -1 -2 -1]</pre> <p>In the x direction, the weights are transposed.</p>
'prewitt'	<p>Prewitt gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted sum of pixels in the 3-by-3 neighborhood. In the vertical (y) direction, the weights are:</p> <pre>[1 1 1 0 0 0 -1 -1 -1]</pre> <p>In the x direction, the weights are transposed.</p>
'central'	<p>Central difference gradient. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted difference of neighboring pixels. In the y direction, $dI/dy = (I(y+1) - I(y-1))/2$.</p>
'intermediate'	<p>Intermediate difference gradient. The gradient of a pixel is the difference between an adjacent pixel and the current pixel. In the y direction, $dI/dy = I(y+1) - I(y)$.</p>

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

Gx — Horizontal gradient

numeric matrix

Horizontal gradient, returned as a numeric matrix of the same size as image I. The horizontal (x) axis points in the direction of increasing column subscripts. Gx is of class double, unless the input image I is of class single, in which case Gx is of class single.

Data Types: single | double

Gy — Vertical gradient

numeric matrix

Vertical gradient, returned as a numeric matrix of the same size as image `I`. The vertical (y) axis points in the direction of increasing row subscripts. `Gy` is of class `double`, unless the input image `I` is of class `single`, in which case `Gy` is of class `single`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Tips

- When applying the gradient operator at the boundaries of the image, values outside the bounds of the image are assumed to equal the nearest image border value.

Algorithms

The algorithmic approach is to compute directional gradients with respect to the x -axis and y -axis. The x -axis is defined along the columns going right and the y -axis is defined along the rows going down.

`imgradientxy` does not normalize the gradient output. If the range of the gradient output image has to match the range of the input image, consider normalizing the gradient image, depending on the `method` argument used. For example, with a Sobel kernel, the normalization factor is $1/8$, and for Prewitt, it is $1/6$.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

edge | fspecial | imgradient | imgradient3 | imgradientxyz

Introduced in R2012b

imgradientxyz

Find the directional gradients of a 3-D image

Syntax

```
[Gx,Gy,Gz] = imgradientxyz(I)  
[Gx,Gy,Gz] = imgradientxyz(I,method)
```

Description

`[Gx,Gy,Gz] = imgradientxyz(I)` returns the directional gradients Gx, Gy, and Gz of the 3-D grayscale or binary image I.

`[Gx,Gy,Gz] = imgradientxyz(I,method)` calculates the directional gradients using the specified method.

Examples

Compute 3-D Directional Image Gradients Using Sobel Method

Read 3-D data and prepare it for processing.

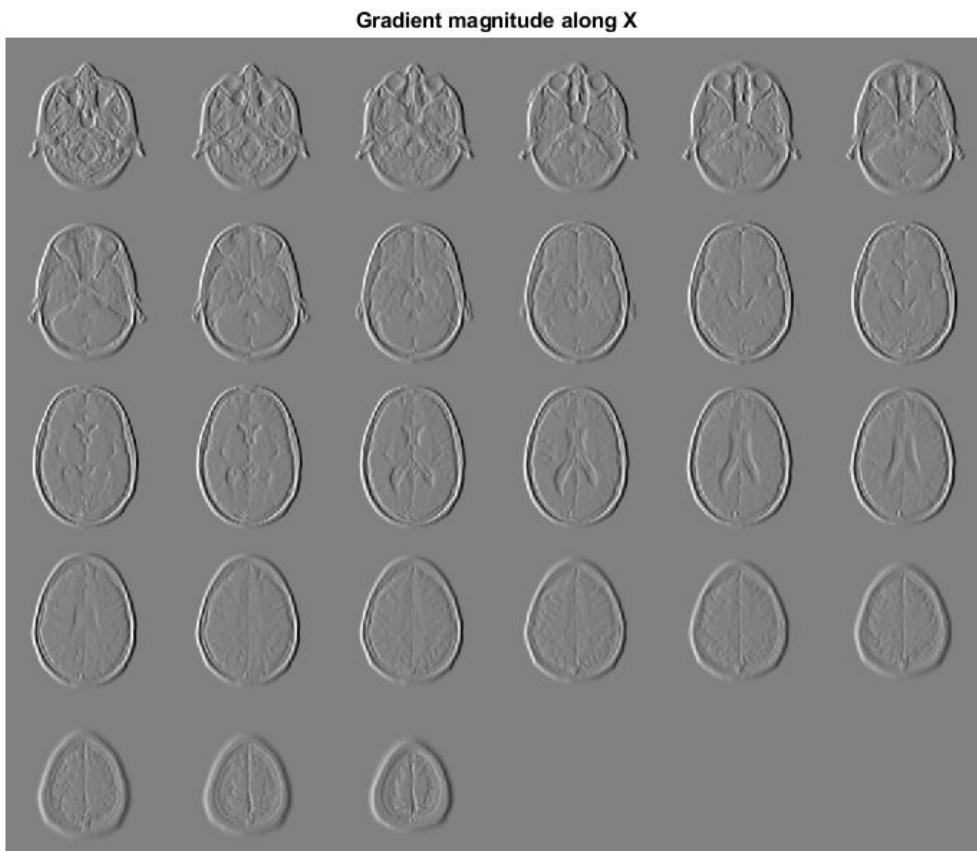
```
volData = load('mri');  
sz = volData.siz;  
vol = squeeze(volData.D);
```

Calculate the directional gradients.

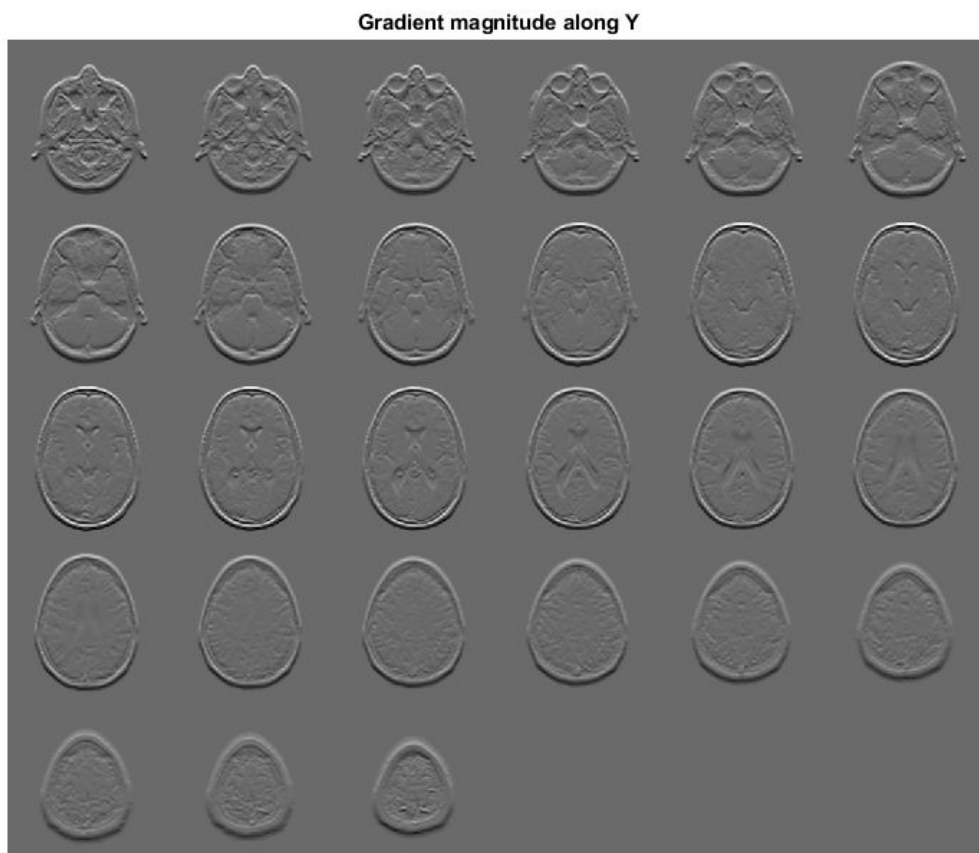
```
[Gx, Gy, Gz] = imgradientxyz(vol);
```

Visualize the directional gradients as a montage.

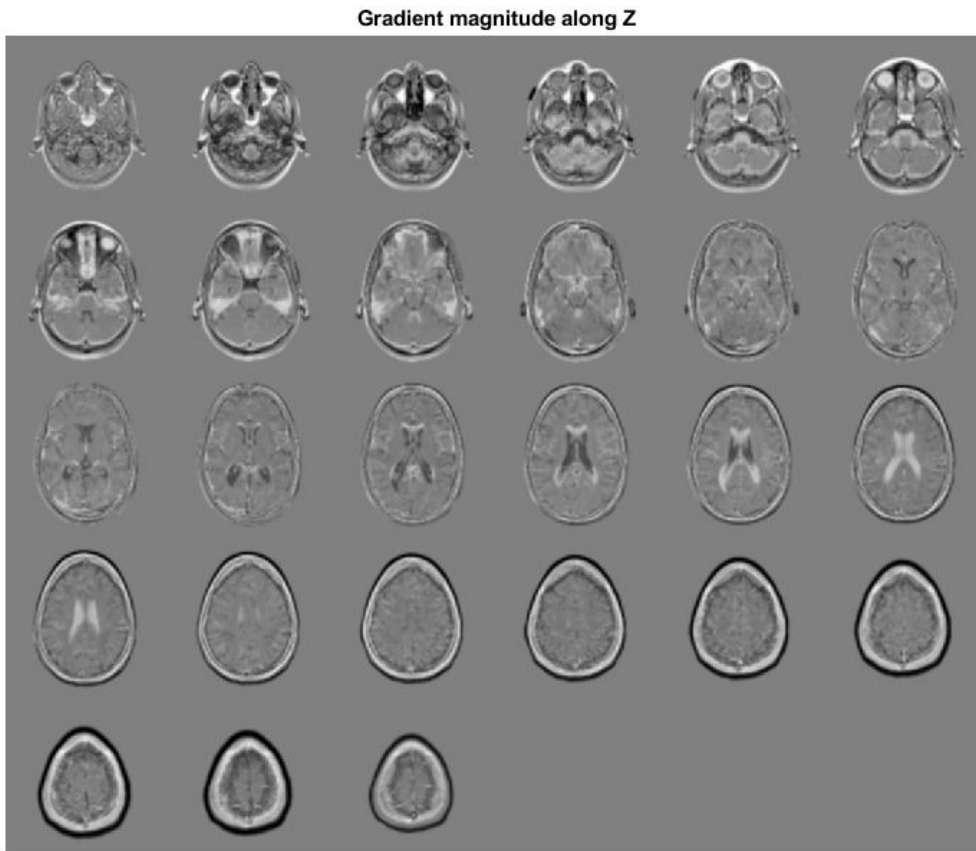
```
figure, montage(reshape(Gx,sz(1),sz(2),1,sz(3)), 'DisplayRange', [])  
title('Gradient magnitude along X')
```



```
figure, montage(reshape(Gy,sz(1),sz(2),1,sz(3)), 'DisplayRange', [])  
title('Gradient magnitude along Y')
```



```
figure, montage(reshape(Gz,sz(1),sz(2),1,sz(3)), 'DisplayRange', [])  
title('Gradient magnitude along Z')
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

3-D grayscale image | 3-D binary image

Input image, specified as a 3-D grayscale image or 3-D binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

method — Gradient operator

'sobel' (default) | 'prewitt' | 'central' | 'intermediate'

Gradient operator, specified as one of the following values.

Value	Meaning						
'sobel'	<p>Sobel gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted sum of pixels in the 3-by-3-by-3 neighborhood. For example, in the depth (z) direction, the weights in the three planes are:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>plane z-1</th> <th>plane z</th> <th>plane z+1</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>[1 3 1 3 6 3 1 3 1]</td> <td>[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]</td> <td>[-1 -3 -1 -3 -6 -3 -1 -3 -1]</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	plane z-1	plane z	plane z+1	[1 3 1 3 6 3 1 3 1]	[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]	[-1 -3 -1 -3 -6 -3 -1 -3 -1]
plane z-1	plane z	plane z+1					
[1 3 1 3 6 3 1 3 1]	[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]	[-1 -3 -1 -3 -6 -3 -1 -3 -1]					
'prewitt'	<p>Prewitt gradient operator. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted sum of pixels in the 3-by-3-by-3 neighborhood. For example, in the depth (z) direction, the weights in the three planes are:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>plane z-1</th> <th>plane z</th> <th>plane z+1</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>[1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]</td> <td>[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]</td> <td>[-1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	plane z-1	plane z	plane z+1	[1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]	[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]	[-1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]
plane z-1	plane z	plane z+1					
[1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1]	[0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0]	[-1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]					
'central'	<p>Central difference gradient. The gradient of a pixel is a weighted difference of neighboring pixels. For example, in the depth (z) direction, $dI/dz = (I(z+1) - I(z-1))/2$.</p>						
'intermediate'	<p>Intermediate difference gradient. The gradient of a pixel is the difference between an adjacent pixel and the current pixel. For example, in the depth (z) direction, $dI/dz = I(z+1) - I(z)$.</p>						

When applying the gradient operator at the boundaries of the image, `imgradientxyz` assumes values outside the bounds of the image are equal to the nearest image border value. This behavior is similar to the 'replicate' boundary option in `imfilter`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

Gx — Horizontal gradient

3-D numeric array

Horizontal gradient, returned as a numeric matrix of the same size as image I. The horizontal (x) axis points in the direction of increasing column subscripts. Gx is of class `double`, unless the input image I is of class `single`, in which case Gx is of class `single`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Gy — Vertical gradient

3-D numeric array

Vertical gradient, returned as a numeric matrix of the same size as image I. The vertical (y) axis points in the direction of increasing row subscripts. Gy is of class `double`, unless the input image I is of class `single`, in which case Gy is of class `single`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Gz — Depth gradient

3-D numeric array

Depth gradient, returned as a 3-D numeric array of the same size as image I. The depth (z) axis points in the direction of increasing plane subscripts. Gz is of class `double`, unless the input image I is of class `single`, in which case Gz is of class `single`.

Algorithms

`imgradientxyz` does not normalize the gradient output. If the range of the gradient output image has to match the range of the input image, consider normalizing the gradient image, depending on the `method` argument used. For example, with a Sobel kernel, the normalization factor is 1/44, for Prewitt, the normalization factor is 1/18.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imgradientxyz` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, the input argument `method` must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`imgradient` | `imgradient3` | `imgradientxy`

Introduced in R2016a

imguidedfilter

Guided filtering of images

Syntax

```
B = imguidedfilter(A,G)
B = imguidedfilter(A)
B = imguidedfilter( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imguidedfilter(A,G)` filters binary, grayscale, or RGB image `A` using the guided filter, where the filtering process is guided by image `G`.

`B = imguidedfilter(A)` filters input image `A` under self-guidance, using `A` itself as the guidance image. This can be used for edge-preserving smoothing of image `A`.

`B = imguidedfilter(____,Name,Value)` filters the image `A` using name-value pairs to control aspects of guided filtering.

Examples

Perform Edge-Preserving Smoothing Using Guided Filtering

This example shows how to perform edge-preserving smoothing using a guided filter.

Read an image into the workspace. Display the image.

```
A = imread('pout.tif');
imshow(A);
```



Smooth the image using `imguidedfilter`. In this syntax, `imguidedfilter` uses the image itself as the guidance image.

```
Iguided = imguidedfilter(A);
```

For comparison, smooth the original image using a gaussian filter defined by `imgaussfilt`. Set the standard deviation of the filter to 2.5 so that the degree of smoothing approximately matches that of the guided filter.

```
Igaussian = imgaussfilt(A,2);
```

Display the result of guided filtering and the result of gaussian filtering.

```
imshowpair(Iguided,Igaussian,'montage');
```



Observe that the flat regions of the two filtered images, such as the jacket and the face, have similar amounts of smoothing. However, the guided filtered image better preserves the sharpness of edges, such as around the trellis and the collar of the white shirt.

Input Arguments

A — Image to be filtered

binary image | grayscale image | RGB image

Image to be filtered, specified as a binary, grayscale, or RGB image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

G — Image to use as a guide during filtering

binary image | grayscale image | RGB image

Image to use as a guide during filtering, specified as a binary, grayscale, or RGB image of the same size as image A.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `Ismooth = imguidedfilter(A,'NeighborhoodSize',[4 4]);`

NeighborhoodSize — Size of the rectangular neighborhood around each pixel used in guided filtering

`[5 5]` (default) | positive integer | 2-element vector of positive integers

Size of the rectangular neighborhood around each pixel used in guided filtering, specified as a positive integer or a 2-element vector of positive integers. If you specify a scalar value, such as `Q`, then the neighborhood is a square of size `[Q Q]`. Do not specify a value greater than the size of the image.

Example: `Ismooth = imguidedfilter(A,'NeighborhoodSize',[7 7]);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

DegreeOfSmoothing — Amount of smoothing

positive number

Amount of smoothing in the output image, specified as a positive number. If you specify a small value, only neighborhoods with small variance (uniform areas) will get smoothed and neighborhoods with larger variance (such as around edges) will not be smoothed. If you specify a larger value, high variance neighborhoods, such as stronger edges, will get smoothed in addition to the relatively uniform neighborhoods. Start with the default value, check the results, and adjust the default up or down to achieve the effect you desire.

If you specify a guide image `G`, then the default value of `degreeOfSmoothing` depends on the data type of `G`, and is calculated as $0.01 * \text{diff}(\text{getrangefromclass}(G)).^2$. For example, the default degree of smoothing is `650.25` for images of data type `uint8`,

and the default is 0.01 for images of data type `double` with pixel values in the range [0, 1]. If you do not specify a guide image, then the default value depends similarly on the data type of image `A`.

```
Example: Ismooth = imguiderfilter(A, 'DegreeOfSmoothing', 650.25);
```

```
Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 |  
uint32 | uint64
```

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array of the same size and data type as `A`

Tips

- The parameter `DegreeOfSmoothing` specifies a soft threshold on variance for the given neighborhood. If a pixel's neighborhood has variance much lower than the threshold, it will see some amount of smoothing. If a pixel's neighborhood has variance much higher than the threshold it will have little to no smoothing.
- Input images `A` and `G` can be of different classes. If either `A` or `G` is of class `integer` or `logical`, then `imguiderfilter` converts them to floating-point precision for internal computation.
- Input images `A` and `G` can have different number of channels.
 - If `A` is an RGB image and `G` is a grayscale or binary image, then `imguiderfilter` uses `G` for guidance for all the channels of `A` independently.
 - If both `A` and `G` are RGB images, then `imguiderfilter` uses each channel of `G` for guidance for the corresponding channel of `A`, i.e. plane-by-plane behavior.
 - If `A` is a grayscale or binary image and `G` is an RGB image, then `imguiderfilter` uses all the three channels of `G` for guidance (color statistics) for filtering `A`.

References

- [1] Kaiming He, Jian Sun, Xiaoou Tang, *Guided Image Filtering*. IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, Volume 35, Issue 6, pp. 1397-1409, June 2013

See Also

edge | imfilter | imsharpen

Topics

“Perform Flash/No-flash Denoising with Guided Filter”

“What is Guided Image Filtering?”

Introduced in R2014a

imhandles

Get all image objects

Syntax

```
imageobj = imhandles(parentobj)
```

Description

`imageobj = imhandles(parentobj)` returns all of the image objects whose ancestor is `parentobj`. `parentobj` can be an array of valid figures, axes, images, or `uipanel` objects.

`imhandles` ignores colorbars.

Note

`imhandles` returns an error if the image objects do not have the same figure as their parent.

Examples

Return the image object in the current axes.

```
figure, imshow('moon.tif');  
imageobj = imhandles(gca)
```

Display two images in a figure and use `imhandles` to get both of the image objects in the figure.

```
subplot(1,2,1), imshow('autumn.tif');  
subplot(1,2,2), imshow('glass.png');  
imageobjs = imhandles(gcf)
```

See Also

imgca | imgcf

Introduced before R2006a

imhist

Histogram of image data

Syntax

```
[counts,binLocations] = imhist(I)  
[counts,binLocations] = imhist(I,n)  
[counts,binLocations] = imhist(X,map)
```

```
imhist( ___ )
```

Description

`[counts,binLocations] = imhist(I)` calculates the histogram for the grayscale image `I`. The `imhist` function returns the histogram counts in `counts` and the bin locations in `binLocations`. The number of bins in the histogram is determined by the image type.

You optionally can compute the histogram counts and bin locations using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`[counts,binLocations] = imhist(I,n)` specifies the number of bins, `n`, used to calculate the histogram.

`[counts,binLocations] = imhist(X,map)` calculates the histogram for the indexed image `X` with colormap `map`. The histogram has one bin for each entry in the colormap.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`imhist(___)` displays a plot of the histogram. If the input image is an indexed image, then the histogram shows the distribution of pixel values above a colorbar of the colormap `map`.

If you use this syntax when `I` is a `gpuArray`, then no plot is displayed. `imhist` returns the histogram counts in `ans` and does not return the histogram bin locations.

Examples

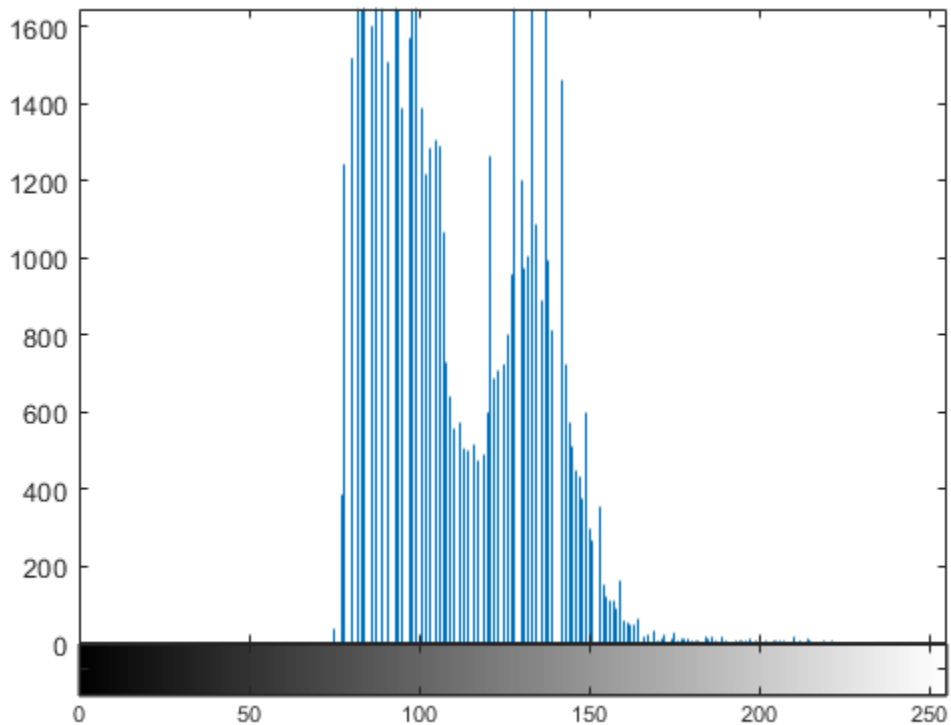
Calculate Histogram

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');
```

Display a histogram of the image. Since I is grayscale, by default the histogram will have 256 bins.

```
imhist(I)
```



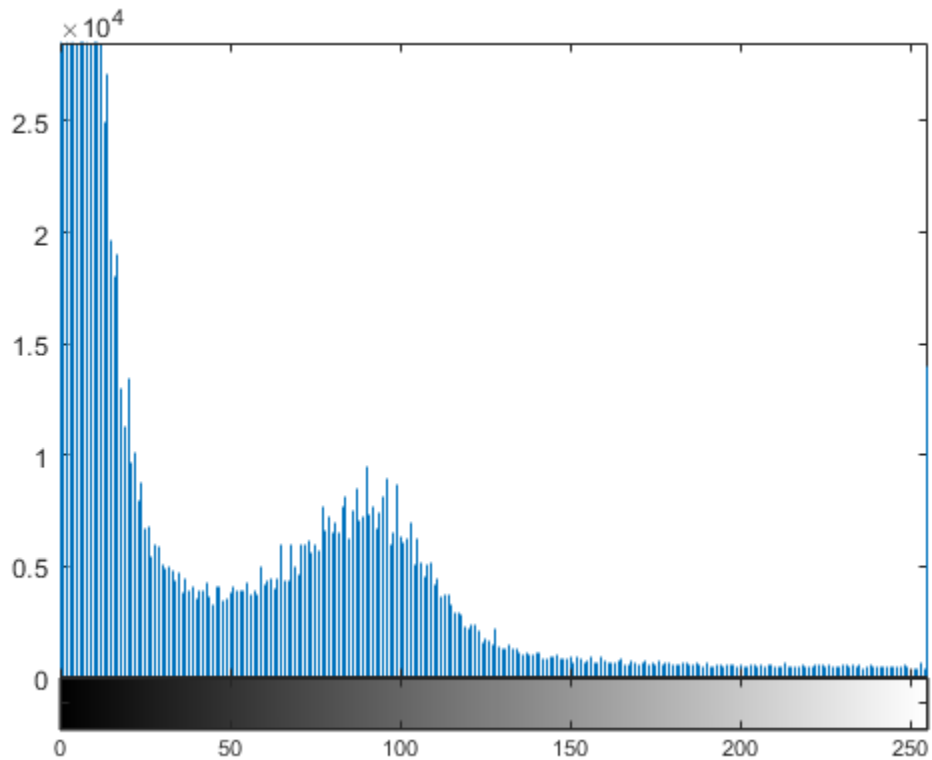
Display the Histogram of a 3-D Intensity Image

Load a 3-D dataset.

```
load mrystack
```

Display the histogram of the data. Since the image is grayscale, `imhist` uses 256 bins by default.

```
imhist(mrystack)
```



Calculate Histogram on a GPU

Create array of class `uint16`.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));
```

Calculate histogram. Because `imhist` does not automatically display the plot of the histogram when run on a GPU, this example uses `stem` to plot the histogram.

```
[counts,x] = imhist(I);  
stem(x,counts);
```

Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Grayscale image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

To compute the histogram counts and bin locations using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric array.

```
Example: I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

```
Example: I = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));
```

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

n — Number of bins

256 (for grayscale images) (default) | numeric scalar

Number of bins, specified as a numeric scalar. If **I** is a grayscale image, then `imhist` uses a default value of 256 bins. If **I** is a binary image, then `imhist` uses two bins.

```
Example: [counts,x] = imhist(I,50);
```

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

X — Indexed image

numeric array

Indexed image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Example: `[X,map] = imread('trees.tif');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

map — Colormap associated with indexed image

c-by-3 matrix

Colormap associated with indexed image *X*, specified as a *c*-by-3 matrix. The colormap must be at least as long as the largest index in *X*.

Example: `[X,map] = imread('trees.tif');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

Output Arguments

counts — Histogram counts

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Histogram counts, returned as a numeric array. If the histogram is computed for an indexed image, *X*, then the length of *counts* is the same as the length of the colormap, *map*.

If the histogram is computed using a GPU, then *counts* is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

binLocations — Bin locations

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Bin locations, returned as a numeric array.

If the histogram is computed using a GPU, then *binLocations* is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Tips

- For grayscale images, the *n* bins of the histogram are each half-open intervals of width $A/(n-1)$. In particular, the *p*th bin is the half-open interval

$$\frac{A(p-1.5)}{(n-1)} - B \leq x < \frac{A(p-0.5)}{(n-1)} - B,$$

where x is the intensity value. The scale factor A and offset B depend on the type of the image class as follows:

	doubl e	single	int8	int16	int32	uint8	uint16	uint32	logical
A	1	1	255	65535	42949 67295	255	65535	42949 67295	1
B	0	0	128	32768	21474 83648	0	0	0	0

- To display the histogram from `counts` and `binLocations`, use the command `stem(binLocations,counts)`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imhist` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `imhist` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- If the first input is a binary image, then `n` must be a scalar constant of value 2 at compile time.
- Nonprogrammatic syntaxes are not supported. For example, the syntax `imhist(I)`, where `imhist` displays the histogram, is not supported.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- When running on a GPU, `imhist` does not display the histogram. To display the histogram, use `stem(binLocations,counts)`.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`histeq` | `histogram` | `stem`

Introduced before R2006a

imhistmatch

Adjust histogram of 2-D image to match histogram of reference image

Syntax

```
J = imhistmatch(I,ref)
J = imhistmatch(I,ref,nbins)
J = imhistmatch( ____,Name,Value)
[J,hgram] = imhistmatch( ____ )
```

Description

`J = imhistmatch(I,ref)` transforms the 2-D grayscale or truecolor image `I` returning output image `J` whose histogram approximately matches the histogram of the reference image `ref`.

- If both `I` and `ref` are truecolor RGB images, then `imhistmatch` matches each color channel of `I` independently to the corresponding color channel of `ref`.
- If `I` is a truecolor RGB image and `ref` is a grayscale image, then `imhistmatch` matches each channel of `I` against the single histogram derived from `ref`.
- If `I` is a grayscale image, then `ref` must also be a grayscale image.

Images `I` and `ref` can be any of the permissible data types and need not be equal in size.

`J = imhistmatch(I,ref,nbins)` uses `nbins` equally spaced bins within the appropriate range for the given image data type. The returned image `J` has no more than `nbins` discrete levels.

- If the data type of the image is either `single` or `double`, then the histogram range is `[0, 1]`.
- If the data type of the image is `uint8`, then the histogram range is `[0, 255]`.
- If the data type of the image is `uint16`, then the histogram range is `[0, 65535]`.
- If the data type of the image is `int16`, then the histogram range is `[-32768, 32767]`.

`J = imhistmatch(____, Name, Value)` uses name-value pairs to change the behavior of the histogram matching algorithm.

`[J,hgram] = imhistmatch(____,)` returns the histogram of the reference image `ref` used for matching in `hgram`. `hgram` is a 1-by-`nbins` (when `ref` is grayscale) or a 3-by-`nbins` (when `ref` is truecolor) matrix, where `nbins` is the number of histogram bins. Each row in `hgram` stores the histogram of a single color channel of `ref`.

Examples

Match Histogram of Aerial Images

These aerial images, taken at different times, represent overlapping views of the same terrain in Concord, Massachusetts. This example demonstrates that input images `A` and `Ref` can be of different sizes and image types.

Load an RGB image and a reference grayscale image.

```
A = imread('concordaerial.png');  
Ref = imread('concordorthophoto.png');
```

Get the size of `A`.

```
size(A)  
  
ans = 1×3  
  
2036      3060      3
```

Get the size of `Ref`.

```
size(Ref)  
  
ans = 1×2  
  
2215      2956
```

Note that image `A` and `Ref` are different in size and type. Image `A` is a truecolor RGB image, while image `Ref` is a grayscale image. Both images are of data type `uint8`.

Generate the histogram matched output image. The example matches each channel of A against the single histogram of Ref. Output image B takes on the characteristics of image A - it is an RGB image whose size and data type is the same as image A. The number of distinct levels present in each RGB channel of image B is the same as the number of bins in the histogram built from grayscale image Ref. In this example, the histogram of Ref and B have the default number of bins, 64.

```
B = imhistmatch(A,Ref);
```

Display the RGB image A, the reference image Ref, and the histogram matched RGB image B. The images are resized before display.

```
imshow(A)  
title('RGB Image with Color Cast')
```



```
imshow(Ref)  
title('Reference Grayscale Image')
```

Reference Grayscale Image



```
imshow(B)  
title('Histogram Matched RGB Image')
```

Histogram Matched RGB Image

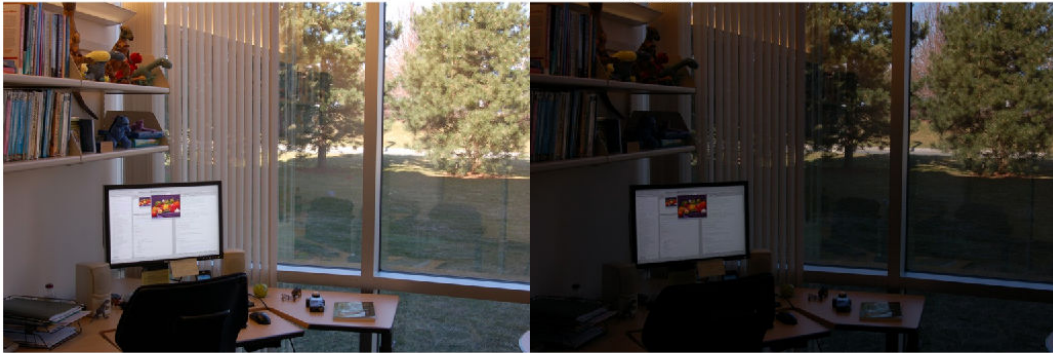


Histogram-Match Image Using Polynomial Method

Read a color image and a reference image. To demonstrate the polynomial method, assign the reference image to be the darker of the two images.

```
I = imread('office_4.jpg');  
ref = imread('office_2.jpg');  
montage({I,ref})  
title('Input Image (Left) vs Reference Image (Right)');
```

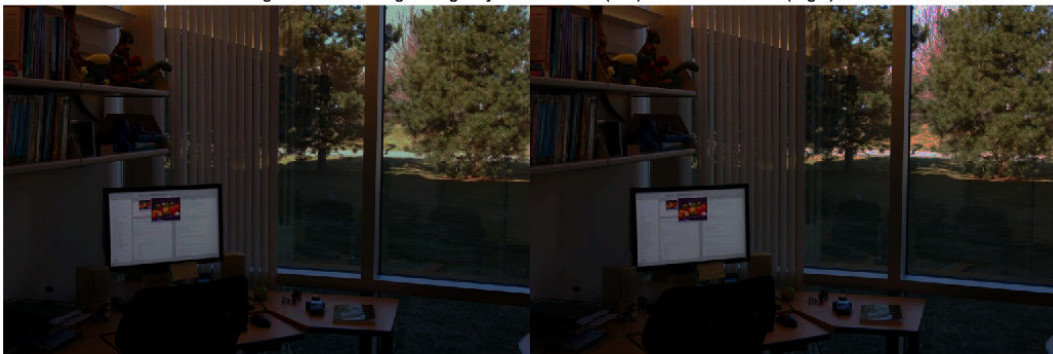
Input Image (Left) vs Reference Image (Right)



Use the polynomial method to adjust the intensity of image I so that it matches the histogram of reference image ref. For comparison, also adjust the intensity of image I using the uniform method.

```
J = imhistmatch(I,ref,'method','polynomial');  
K = imhistmatch(I,ref,'method','uniform');  
montage({J,K})  
title('Histogram-Matched Image Using Polynomial Method (Left) vs Uniform Method (Right)')
```

Histogram-Matched Image Using Polynomial Method (Left) vs Uniform Method (Right)



The histogram-matched image using the uniform method introduces false colors in the sky and road. The histogram-matched image using the polynomial method does not exhibit this artifact.

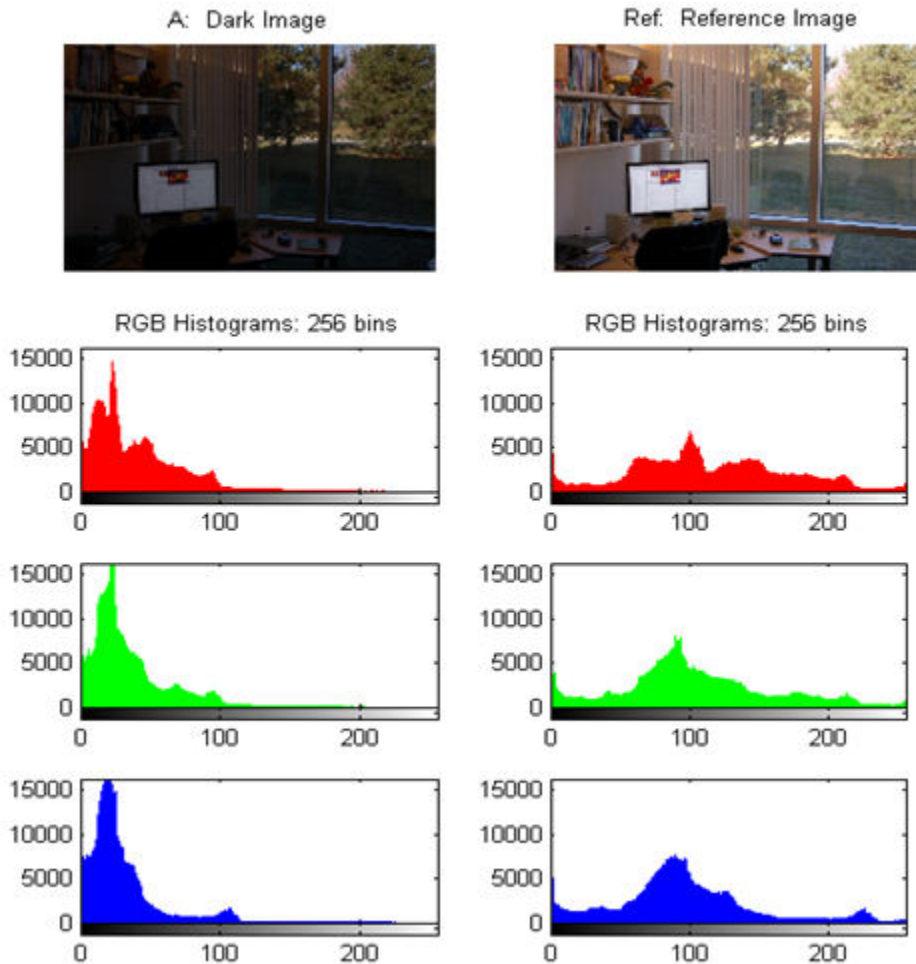
Multiple N Values Applied to RGB Images

In this example, you will see the effect on output image `J` of varying the number of equally spaced bins in the target histogram of image `Ref`, from its default value 64 to the maximum value of 256 for `uint8` pixel data.

The following images were taken with a digital camera and represent two different exposures of the same scene.

```
A = imread('office_2.jpg'); % Dark Image
Ref = imread('office_4.jpg'); % Reference image
```

Image `A`, being the darker image, has a preponderance of its pixels in the lower bins. The reference image, `Ref`, is a properly exposed image and fully populates all of the available bins values in all three RGB channels: as shown in the table below, all three channels have 256 unique levels for 8-bit pixel values.



The unique 8-bit level values for the red channel is 205 for A and 256 for Ref. The unique 8-bit level values for the green channel is 193 for A and 256 for Ref. The unique 8-bit level values for the blue channel is 224 for A and 256 for Ref.

The example generates the output image B using three different values of nbins: 64, 128 and 256. The objective of function `imhistmatch` is to transform image A such that the histogram of output image B is a match to the histogram of Ref built with nbins equally

spaced bins. As a result, `nbins` represents the upper limit of the number of discrete data levels present in image B.

```
[B64, hgram] = imhistmatch(A, Ref, 64);  
[B128, hgram] = imhistmatch(A, Ref, 128);  
[B256, hgram] = imhistmatch(A, Ref, 256);
```

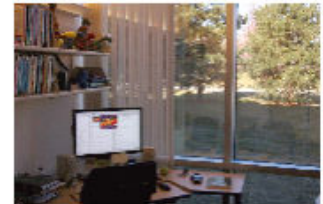
Output Image B64



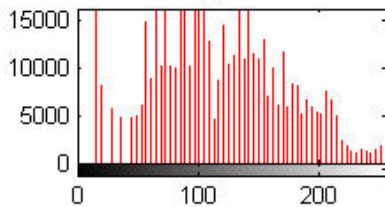
Output Image B128



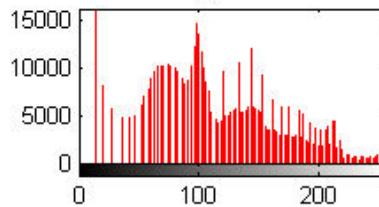
Output Image B256



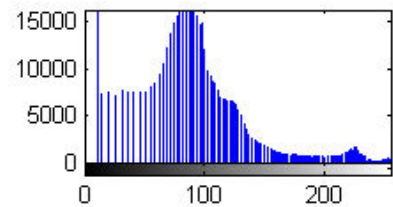
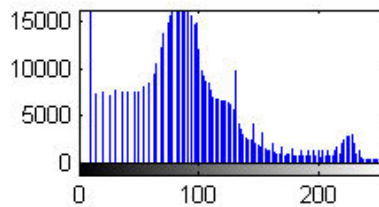
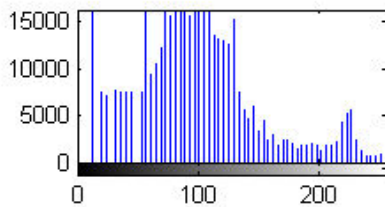
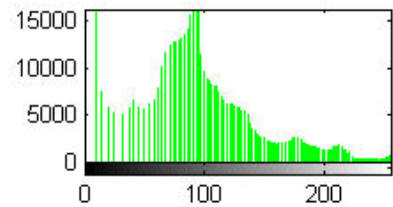
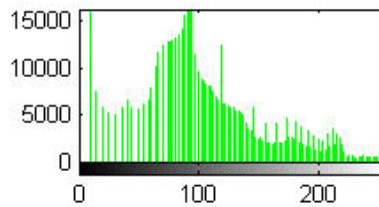
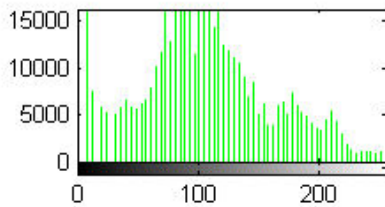
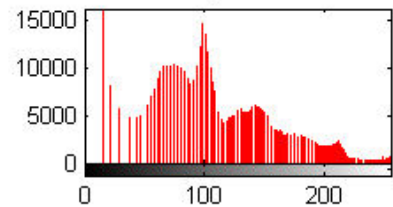
RGB Histograms: 64 bins



RGB Histograms: 128 bins



RGB Histograms: 256 bins



The number of unique 8-bit level values for each output image is described in the table. Note that as `nbins` increases, the number of levels in each RGB channel of output image B also increases.

nbins	Output Image	Number of unique histogram values
64	B64	57
128	B128	101
256	B256	134

Match Histogram of 16-Bit Grayscale MRI Image

This example shows how to perform histogram matching with different numbers of bins.

Load a 16-bit DICOM image of a knee imaged via MRI.

```
K = dicomread('knee1.dcm'); % read in original 16-bit image
LevelsK = unique(K(:)); % determine number of unique code values
disp(['image K: ', num2str(length(LevelsK)), ' distinct levels']);
```

```
image K: 448 distinct levels
```

```
disp(['max level = ' num2str( max(LevelsK) )]);
```

```
max level = 473
```

```
disp(['min level = ' num2str( min(LevelsK) )]);
```

```
min level = 0
```

All 448 discrete values are at low code values, which causes the image to look dark. To rectify this, scale the image data to span the entire 16-bit range of [0, 65535].

```
Kdouble = double(K); % cast uint16 to double
kmult = 65535/(max(max(Kdouble(:)))); % full range multiplier
Ref = uint16(kmult*Kdouble); % full range 16-bit reference image
```

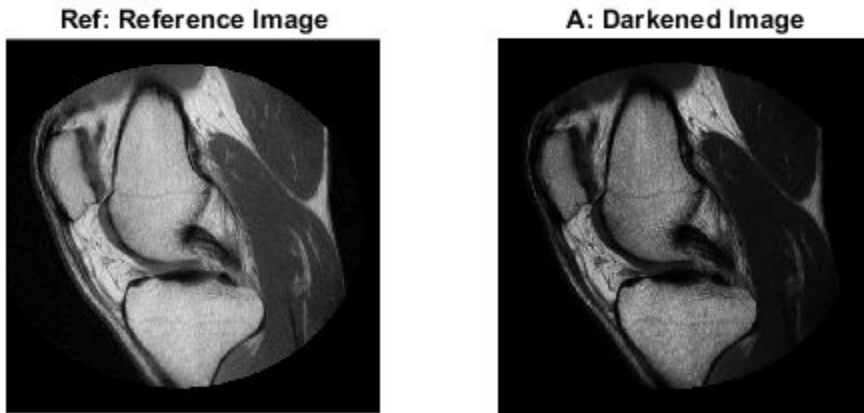
Darken the reference image `Ref` to create an image `A` that can be used in the histogram matching operation.

```
%Build concave bow-shaped curve for darkening |Ref|.
ramp = [0:65535]/65535;
```

```
ppconcave = spline([0 .1 .50 .72 .87 1],[0 .025 .25 .5 .75 1]);
Ybuf = ppval( ppconcave, ramp);
Lut16bit = uint16( round( 65535*Ybuf ) );
% Pass image |Ref| through a lookup table (LUT) to darken the image.
A = intlut(Ref,Lut16bit);
```

View the reference image Ref and the darkened image A. Note that they have the same number of discrete code values, but differ in overall brightness.

```
subplot(1,2,1)
imshow(Ref)
title('Ref: Reference Image')
subplot(1,2,2)
imshow(A)
title('A: Darkened Image');
```



Generate histogram-matched output images using histograms with different number of bins. First use the default number of bins, 64. Then use the number of values present in image A, 448 bins.

```
B16bit64 = imhistmatch(A(:,:,1),Ref(:,:,1)); % default: 64 bins
```

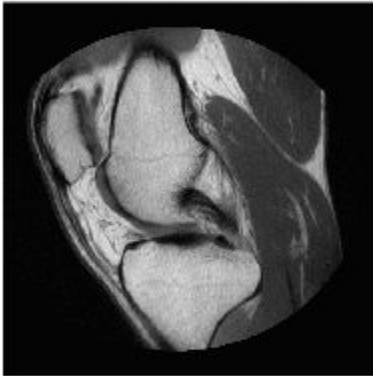
```
N = length(LevelsK); % number of unique 16-bit code values in image A.  
B16bitUniq = imhistmatch(A(:,:,1),Ref(:,:,1),N);
```

View the results of the two histogram matching operations.

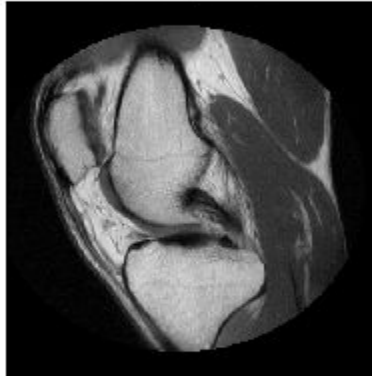
```
figure  
subplot(1,2,1)  
imshow(B16bit64)
```

```
title('B16bit64: 64 bins')
subplot(1,2,2)
imshow(Ref)
title(['B16bitUniq: ',num2str(N),' bins'])
```

B16bit64: 64 bins



B16bitUniq: 448 bins



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D truecolor image | 2-D grayscale image

Input image to be transformed, specified as a 2-D truecolor or grayscale image. The returned image will take the data type class of the input image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

ref — Reference image whose histogram is the reference histogram

2-D truecolor image | 2-D grayscale image

Reference image whose histogram is the reference histogram, specified as a 2-D truecolor or grayscale image. The reference image provides the equally spaced `nbins` bin reference histogram which output image `J` is trying to match.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

nbins — Number of equally spaced bins in reference histogram

64 (default) | positive integer

Number of equally spaced bins in reference histogram, specified as a positive integer. In addition to specifying the number of equally spaced bins in the histogram for image `ref`, `nbins` also represents the upper limit of the number of discrete data levels present in output image `J`.

Data Types: `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `imhistmatch(I, ref, 'Method', 'polynomial')` matches the histogram of image `I` to that of reference image `ref` using the polynomial mapping technique.

Method — Mapping technique

'uniform' (default) | 'polynomial'

Mapping technique used to map the histogram of `ref` to image `I`, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Method' and one of these values:

- 'uniform' — Use a histogram-based intensity function and histogram equalization.
- 'polynomial' — Calculate a cubic Hermite polynomial mapping function from the cumulative histograms of the source and reference images. The polynomial method is useful when the reference image is darker than the input image. In this situation, the polynomial method gives a smoother color transition than the uniform method.

Output Arguments

J — Output image

2-D truecolor RGB image | 2-D grayscale image

Output image, returned as a 2-D truecolor or grayscale image. The output image is derived from image **I** whose histogram is an approximate match to the histogram of input image **ref** built with **nbins** equally-spaced bins. Image **J** is of the same size and data type as input image **I**. Input argument **nbins** represents the upper limit of the number of discrete levels contained in image **J**.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

hgram — Histogram counts derived from reference image **ref**

1-by-**nbins** vector | 3-by-**nbins** matrix

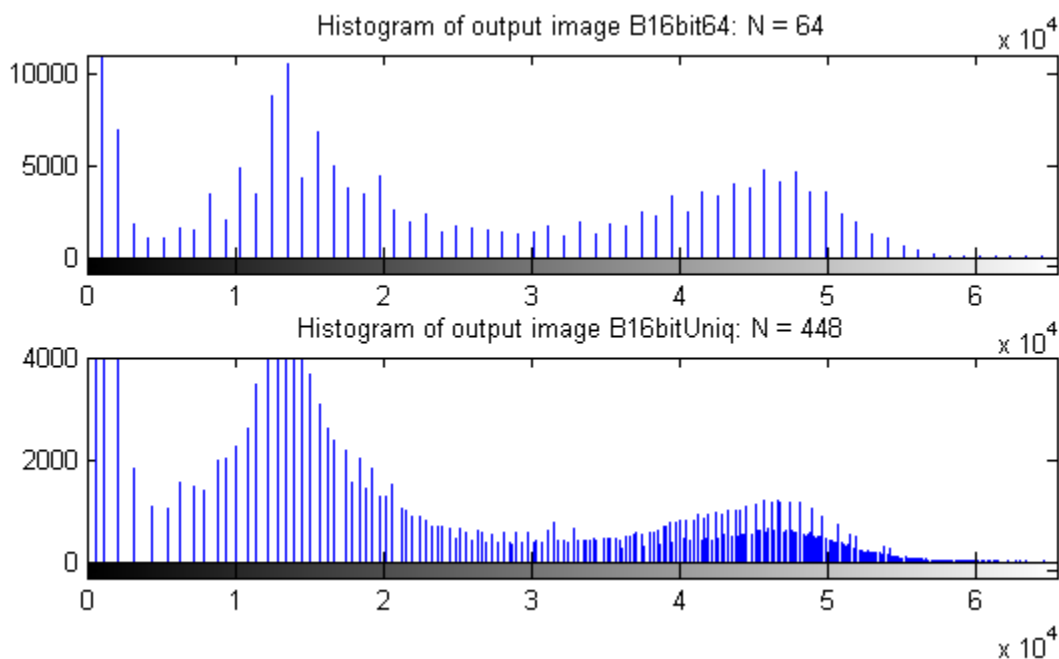
Histogram counts derived from reference image **ref**, specified as a vector or matrix. When **ref** is a truecolor image, **hgram** is a 3-by-**nbins** matrix. When **ref** is a grayscale image, **hgram** is a 1-by-**nbins** vector.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

The objective of `imhistmatch` is to transform image **I** such that the histogram of image **J** matches the histogram derived from image **ref**. It consists of **nbins** equally spaced bins which span the full range of the image data type. A consequence of matching histograms in this way is that **nbins** also represents the upper limit of the number of discrete data levels present in image **J**.

An important behavioral aspect of this algorithm to note is that as **nbins** increases in value, the degree of rapid fluctuations between adjacent populated peaks in the histogram of image **J** tends to increase. This can be seen in the following histogram plots taken from the 16-bit grayscale MRI example.



An optimal value for `nbins` represents a trade-off between more output levels (larger values of `nbins`) while minimizing peak fluctuations in the histogram (smaller values of `nbins`).

See Also

`histeq` | `imadjust` | `imhist` | `imhistmatchn`

Introduced in R2012b

imhistmatchn

Adjust histogram of N-D image to match histogram of reference image

Syntax

```
B = imhistmatchn(A,ref)
B = imhistmatchn(A,ref,nbins)
[B,hgram] = imhistmatchn( ___ )
```

Description

`B = imhistmatchn(A, ref)` transforms the N-D grayscale image `A` and returns output image `B` whose histogram approximately matches the histogram of the reference image `ref`. Both `A` and `ref` must be grayscale images, but they do not need to have the same data type, size, or number of dimensions.

`B = imhistmatchn(A, ref, nbins)` uses `nbins` equally spaced bins within the appropriate range for the given image data type. The returned image `B` has no more than `nbins` discrete levels.

If the data type of the image is:

- `single` or `double`, the histogram range is `[0, 1]`.
- `uint8`, the histogram range is `[0, 255]`.
- `uint16`, the histogram range is `[0, 65535]`.
- `int16`, the histogram range is `[-32768, 32767]`.

`[B,hgram] = imhistmatchn(___)` returns the histogram of the reference image `ref` used for matching in `hgram`. `hgram` is a 1-by-`nbins` vector, where `nbins` is the number of histogram bins.

Examples

Match Histograms of Multidimensional Images

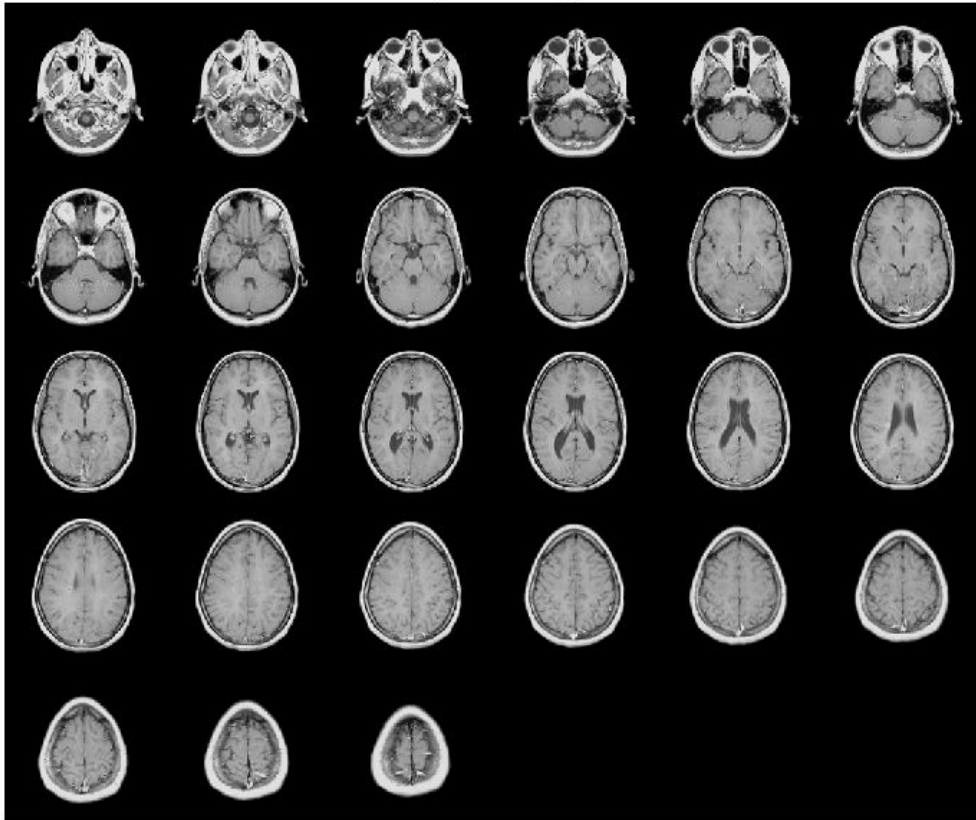
Load an N-D grayscale image into the workspace. Also load a grayscale image to provide a reference histogram.

```
load mri D  
load mrystack
```

Display the original volume as slices.

```
figure  
montage(D, 'DisplayRange', [])  
title('Original 3-D Image')
```

Original 3-D Image



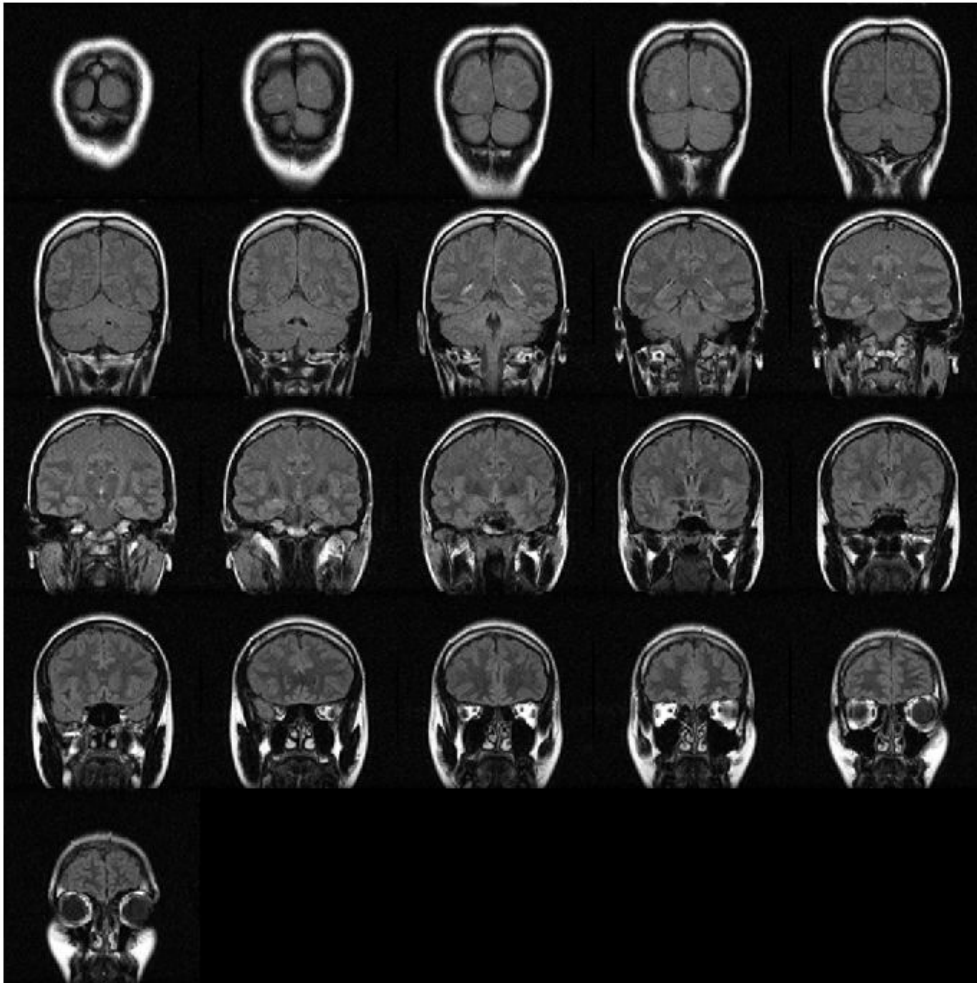
Reshape the reference as a stack of grayscale slices for display.

```
ref = reshape(mristack,[256,256,1,21]);
```

Display the reference volume as slices. To display correctly on the screen, the reference volume is downsized by a factor of 0.5 using `imresize`.

```
ref_downsized = imresize(ref,0.5);  
figure  
montage(ref_downsized,'DisplayRange',[1])  
title('Reference 3-D Image')
```

Reference 3-D Image

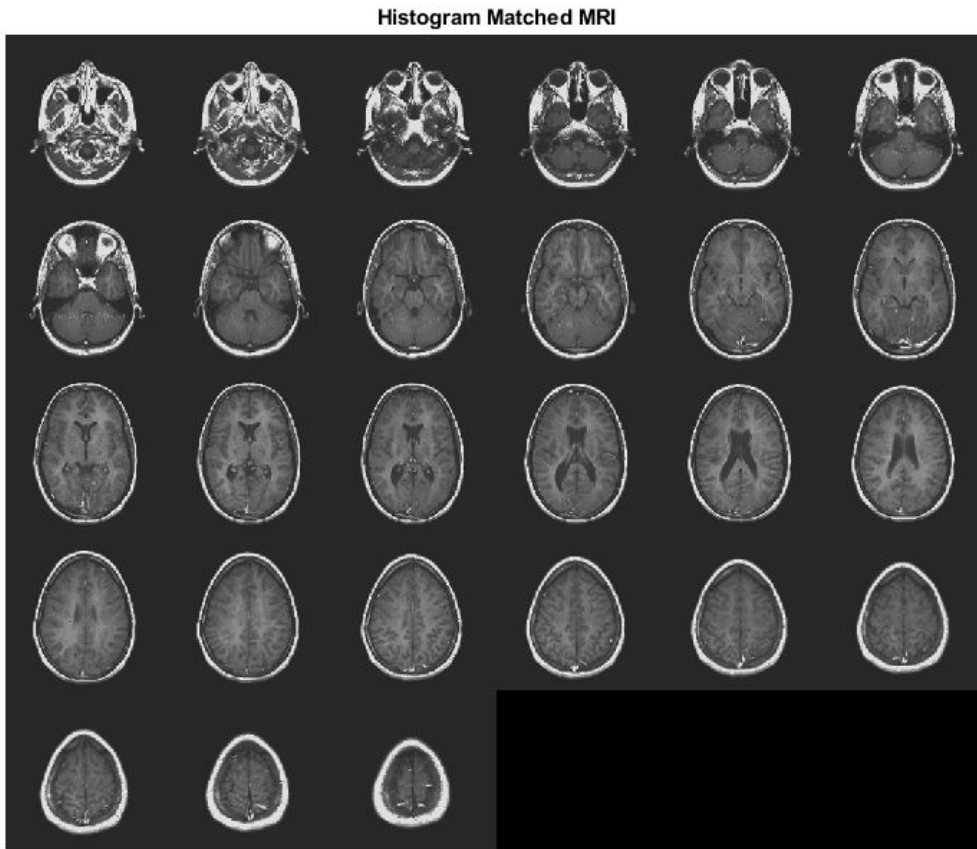


Match the histogram of D to the histogram of the fullsize ref.

```
Dmatched = imhistmatchn(D,ref);
```

Display the output. Observe that the brightness levels of the output more closely match the reference image than the original image.

```
figure  
montage(Dmatched, 'DisplayRange', [])  
title('Histogram Matched MRI')
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

N-D grayscale image

Input image to be transformed, specified as an N-D grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

ref — Reference image whose histogram is the reference histogram

grayscale image

Reference image whose histogram is the reference histogram, specified as a grayscale image. The reference image provides the equally spaced `nbins` bin reference histogram which output image B is trying to match.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

nbins — Number of equally spaced bins in reference histogram

64 (default) | positive integer

Number of equally spaced bins in reference histogram, specified as a positive integer. `nbins` also represents the upper limit of the number of discrete data levels present in output image B.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

B — Output image

N-D grayscale image

Output image, returned as an N-D grayscale image. The output image is derived from image A whose histogram is an approximate match to the histogram of input image `ref` built with `nbins` equally spaced bins. Image B is of the same size and data type as input image A. Input argument `nbins` represents the upper limit of the number of discrete levels contained in image B.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

hgram — Histogram counts derived from reference image ref

1-by-`nbins` vector

Histogram counts derived from reference image `ref`, returned as a 1-by-nbins vector.

Data Types: `double`

See Also

`histeq` | `imadjust` | `imhist` | `imhistmatch`

Introduced in R2017a

imhmax

H-maxima transform

Syntax

```
J = imhmax(I,H)
J = imhmax(I,H,conn)
```

Description

`J = imhmax(I,H)` suppresses all maxima in the intensity image `I` whose height is less than `H`. Regional maxima are connected components of pixels with a constant intensity value, and whose external boundary pixels all have a lower value.

`J = imhmax(I,H,conn)` computes the H-maxima transform, where `conn` specifies the connectivity.

Examples

Create H-Maxima Transform

Create simple sample array of zeros with several maxima.

```
a = zeros(10,10);
a(2:4,2:4) = 3;
a(6:8,6:8) = 8
```

```
a = 10×10
```

```

0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     3     3     3     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     3     3     3     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     3     3     3     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
0     0     0     0     0     8     8     8     0     0
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 8 8 8 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 8 8 8 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Calculate the maxima equal to 4 or more. Note how the area of the image set to 3 is not included.

```
b = imhmax(a,4)
```

```
b = 10x10
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 4 4 4 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 4 4 4 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 4 4 4 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array

Input image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

```
Example: I = imread('glass.png');
```

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

H — H-maxima transform

nonnegative scalar

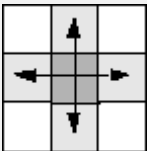
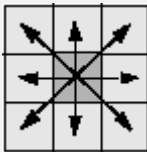
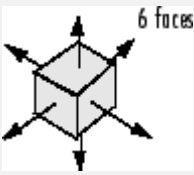
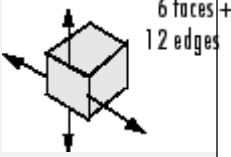
H-maxima transform, specified as a nonnegative scalar.

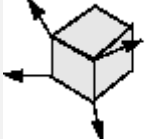
Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `imhmax` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(I), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

J — Transformed image

numeric array

Transformed image, returned as a numeric array of the same size and class as `I`.

References

- [1] Soille, P. *Morphological Image Analysis: Principles and Applications*. Springer-Verlag, 1999, pp. 170-171.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- imhmax supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, imhmax generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the optional third input argument, `conn`, must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`conndef` | `imextendedmax` | `imhmin` | `imreconstruct` | `imregionalmax`

Introduced before R2006a

imhmin

H-minima transform

Syntax

```
J = imhmin(I,H)
J = imhmin(I,H,conn)
```

Description

`J = imhmin(I,H)` suppresses all minima in the grayscale image `I` whose depth is less than `H`. Regional minima are connected components of pixels with a constant intensity value, t , whose external boundary pixels all have a value greater than t .

`J = imhmin(I,H,conn)` computes the H-minima transform, where `conn` specifies the connectivity.

Examples

Calculate H-Minima Transform

Create a sample image with two regional minima.

```
a = 10*ones(10,10);
a(2:4,2:4) = 7;
a(6:8,6:8) = 2
```

```
a = 10×10
```

```
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   7   7   7  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   7   7   7  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   7   7   7  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10   2   2   2  10  10
```

```

10  10  10  10  10  2  2  2  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  2  2  2  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10

```

Suppress all minima below a specified value. Note how the region with pixels valued 7 disappears in the transformed image because its depth is less than the specified *h* value.

```
b = imhmin(a,4)
```

```
b = 10×10
```

```

10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  6  6  6  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  6  6  6  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  6  6  6  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10

```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array

Input image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Example: `I = imread('glass.png');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

H — H-minima transform

nonnegative scalar

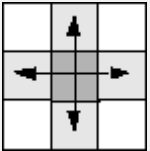
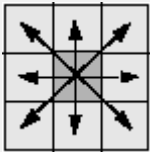
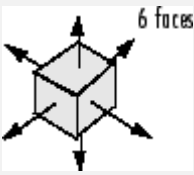
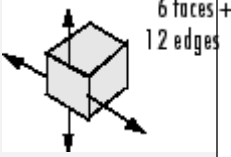
H-minima transform, specified as a nonnegative scalar.

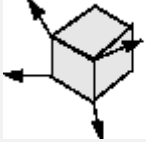
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.</p>	
8-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.</p>	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `imhmin` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(I), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

J — Transformed image

numeric array

Transformed image, returned as a nonsparse numeric array of the same size and class as `I`.

References

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Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imhmin` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imhmin` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the optional third input argument, `conn`, must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`conndef` | `imextendedmin` | `imhmax` | `imreconstruct` | `imregionalmin`

Introduced before R2006a

imimposemin

Impose minima

Syntax

```
J = imimposemin(I,BW)
J = imimposemin(I,BW,conn)
```

Description

`J = imimposemin(I,BW)` modifies the grayscale mask image `I` using morphological reconstruction so it only has regional minima wherever binary marker image `BW` is nonzero.

`J = imimposemin(I,BW,conn)` specifies the pixel connectivity for the morphological reconstruction.

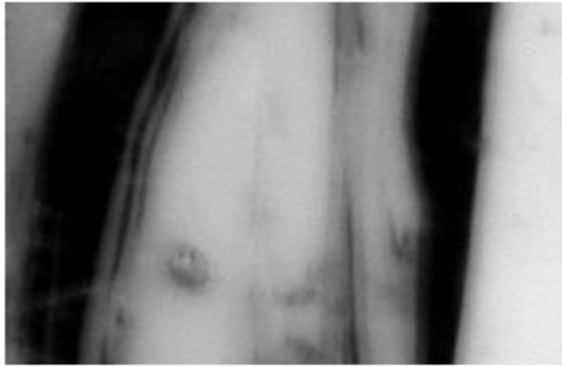
Examples

Impose Regional Minimum at One Location

This example shows how to modify an image so that one area is always a regional minimum.

Read an image and display it. This image is called the *mask* image.

```
mask = imread('glass.png');
imshow(mask)
```

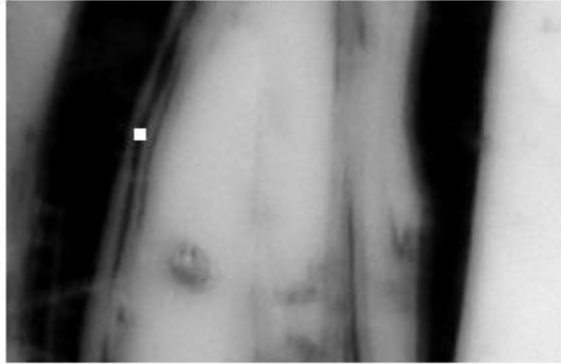


Create a binary image that is the same size as the mask image and sets a small area of the binary image to 1. These pixels define the location in the mask image where a regional minimum will be imposed. The resulting image is called the *marker* image.

```
marker = false(size(mask));  
marker(65:70,65:70) = true;
```

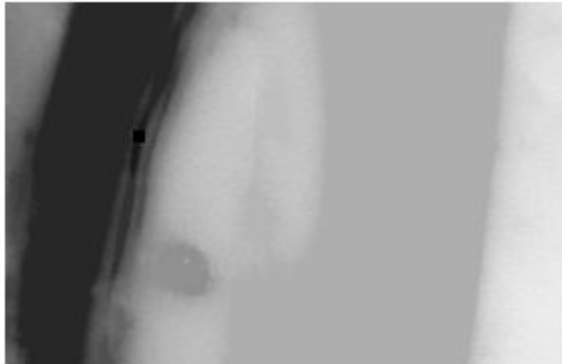
Superimpose the marker over the mask to show where these pixels of interest fall on the original image. The small white square marks the spot. This code is not essential to the impose minima operation.

```
J = mask;  
J(marker) = 255;  
figure  
imshow(J)  
title('Marker Image Superimposed on Mask')
```

Marker Image Superimposed on Mask

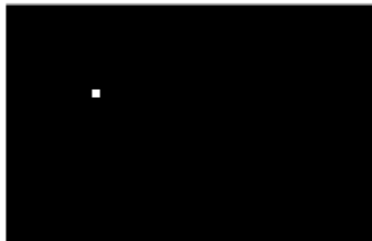
Impose the regional minimum on the input image using the `imimposemin` function. Note how all the dark areas of the original image, except the marked area, are lighter.

```
K = imimposemin(mask,marker);  
figure  
imshow(K)
```



To illustrate how this operation removes all minima in the original image except the imposed minimum, compare the regional minima in the original image with the regional minimum in the processed image. These calls to `imregionalmin` return binary images that specify the locations of all the regional minima in both images.

```
BW = imregionalmin(mask);  
figure  
subplot(1,2,1)  
imshow(BW)  
title('Regional Minima in Original Image')  
  
BW2 = imregionalmin(K);  
subplot(1,2,2)  
imshow(BW2)  
title('Regional Minima After Processing')
```

Regional Minima in Original Image**Regional Minima After Processing**

Input Arguments

I — Grayscale mask image

numeric array

Grayscale mask image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

BW — Binary marker image

numeric array | logical array

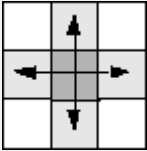
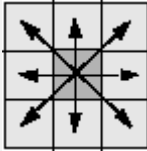
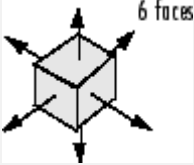
Binary marker image, specified as a numeric or logical array of the same size as the grayscale mask image I. For numeric input, any nonzero pixels are considered to be 1 (true).

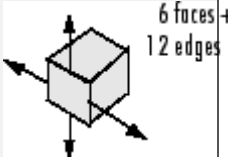
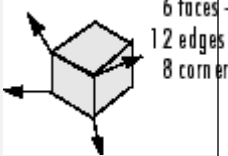
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

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For higher dimensions, `imimposemin` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(I), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by-...-by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Reconstructed image

numeric array

Reconstructed image, returned as a numeric or logical array of the same size and data type as `I`.

Algorithms

`imimposemin` uses a technique based on morphological reconstruction.

See Also

`conndef` | `imreconstruct` | `imregionalmin`

Topics

“Morphological Reconstruction”

Introduced before R2006a

imlincomb

Linear combination of images

Syntax

```
Z = imlincomb(K1,A1,K2,A2,...,Kn,An)
Z = imlincomb(K1,A1,K2,A2,...,Kn,An,K)
Z = imlincomb( ___,outputClass)
```

Description

`Z = imlincomb(K1,A1,K2,A2,...,Kn,An)` computes the linear combination of images, `A1`, `A2`, ... , `An`, with weights `K1`, `K2`, ... , `Kn` according to:

$$Z = K1*A1 + K2*A2 + \dots + Kn*An$$

You optionally can compute the linear combination using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`Z = imlincomb(K1,A1,K2,A2,...,Kn,An,K)` adds an offset, `K`, to the linear combination:

$$Z = K1*A1 + K2*A2 + \dots + Kn*An + K$$

`Z = imlincomb(___,outputClass)` specifies the output class of `Z`.

Examples

Scale an Image Using Linear Combinations

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Scale the image using a coefficient of 1.5 in the linear combination.

```
J = imlincomb(1.5,I);
```

Display the original image and the processed image.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Form a Difference Image with Zero Value Shifted to 128

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Create a low-pass filtered copy of the image.

```
J = uint8(filter2(fspecial('gaussian'), I));
```

Find the difference image and shift the zero value to 128 using a linear combination of I and J.

```
K = imlincomb(1,I,-1,J,128); %K(r,c) = I(r,c) - J(r,c) + 128
```

Display the resulting difference image.

`imshow(K)`



Add Two Images and Specify Output Class Using Linear Combinations

Read two grayscale `uint8` images into the workspace.

```
I = imread('rice.png');  
J = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Add the images using a linear combination. Specify the output as type `uint16` to avoid truncating the result.

```
K = imlincomb(1,I,1,J,'uint16');
```

Display the result.

```
imshow(K,[])
```



Add Two Images and Specify Output Class Using Linear Combinations on a GPU

Read two grayscale `uint8` images into the workspace and convert them to `gpuArrays`.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('rice.png'));  
J = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));
```

Add the images using a linear combination on a GPU. Specify the output as type `uint16` to avoid truncating the result.

```
K = imlincomb(1,I,1,J,'uint16');
```

Display the result.

```
figure
imshow(K, [])
```

Compare Methods for Averaging Images

This example shows the difference between nesting calls and using linear combinations when performing a series of arithmetic operations on images. To illustrate how `imlincomb` performs all the arithmetic operations before truncating the result, compare the results of calculating the average of two arrays, `X` and `Y`, using nested arithmetic functions and using `imlincomb`.

Create two arrays.

```
X = uint8([ 255 0 75; 44 225 100]);
Y = uint8([ 50 50 50; 50 50 50 ]);
```

Average the arrays using nested arithmetic functions. To calculate the average returned in `Z(1,1)`, the function `imadd` adds 255 and 50 and truncates the result to 255 before passing it to `imdivide`. The average returned in `Z(1,1)` is 128.

```
Z = imdivide(imadd(X,Y),2)
```

```
Z = 2x3 uint8 matrix
```

```
128    25    63
 47   128    75
```

In contrast, `imlincomb` performs the addition and division in double precision and only truncates the final result. The average returned in `Z2(1,1)` is 153.

```
Z2 = imlincomb(.5,X,.5,Y)
```

```
Z2 = 2x3 uint8 matrix
```

```
153    25    63
 47   138    75
```

Input Arguments

K1, K2, Kn — Image coefficients

numeric scalar | gpuArray

Image coefficients, specified as real, numeric scalars.

To compute the linear combination using a GPU, specify the image coefficients as `gpuArrays` that each contain a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

A1, A2, An — Input images

numeric array | gpuArray

Input images, specified as numeric arrays of the same size and class.

To compute the linear combination using a GPU, specify the input images as `gpuArrays` that each contain a numeric array of the same size and class.

K — Offset

numeric scalar

Offset, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `double`

outputClass — Output class

string scalar | character vector

Output class of `Z`, specified as a string scalar or character vector containing the name of a numeric class.

Example: `'uint16'`

Example: `"double"`

Output Arguments

Z — Linearly combined image

numeric array | gpuArray

Linearly combined image, returned as a numeric array of the same size as `A1`. If `A1` is `logical`, then `Z` is `double`, otherwise `Z` has the same class as `A1`.

If the linear combination is computed using a GPU, then `Z` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Tips

- When performing a series of arithmetic operations on a pair of images, you can achieve more accurate results if you use `imlincomb` to combine the operations, rather than nesting calls to the individual arithmetic functions, such as `imadd`. When you nest calls to the arithmetic functions, and the input arrays are of an integer class, each function truncates and rounds the result before passing it to the next function, thus losing accuracy in the final result. `imlincomb` computes each element of the output `Z` individually, in double-precision floating point. If `Z` is an integer array, `imlincomb` clips elements of `Z` that exceed the range of the integer type and rounds off fractional values.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imlincomb` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `imlincomb` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- You can specify up to 4 input image arguments.
- The `output_class` argument must be a compile-time constant.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`imadd` | `imcomplement` | `imdivide` | `immultiply` | `imsubtract`

Introduced before R2006a

imline

Create draggable, resizable line

Note `imline` is not recommended. Use `drawline` instead.

Description

An `imline` object encapsulates an interactive line over an image.

You can adjust the size and position of the line by using the mouse. The line also has a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior. For more information, see “Usage” on page 1-1654.

Creation

Syntax

```
h = imline
h = imline(hparent)
h = imline(hparent,position)
h = imline(hparent,x,y)
h = imline( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = imline` begins interactive placement of a line on the current axes, and returns an `imline` object.

`h = imline(hparent)` begins interactive placement of a line on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = imline(hparent,position)` creates a draggable, resizeable line, with coordinates defined by `position`.

`h = imline(hparent,x,y)` creates a draggable, resizeable line, with `x`- and `y`-coordinates of the endpoints defined by `x` and `y`.

`h = imline(____,Name,Value)` specifies name-value pairs that control the behavior of the line.

Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to parent object

handle

Handle to parent object, specified as a handle. The parent is typically an axes object, but can also be any other object that can be the parent of an `hggroup` object.

position — Position of line endpoints

2-element vector

Position of line endpoints, specified as a 2-by-2 array of the form `[x1 y1; x2 y2]`.

x — x-coordinates of line endpoints

2-element vector

x-coordinates of line endpoints, specified as a 2-element vector of the form `x = [x1 x2]`.

y — y-coordinates of line endpoints

2-element vector

y-coordinates of line endpoints, specified as a 2-element vector of the form `y = [y1 y2]`.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name,Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

PositionConstraintFcn — Position constraint function

function handle

Position constraint function, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'PositionConstraintFcn'` and a function handle. `fcn` is called whenever the mouse is dragged. You can use this function to control where the line can be dragged. See the help

for the `setPositionConstraintFcn` function for information about valid function handles.

Properties

Deletable — ROI can be deleted


`true` (default) | `false`

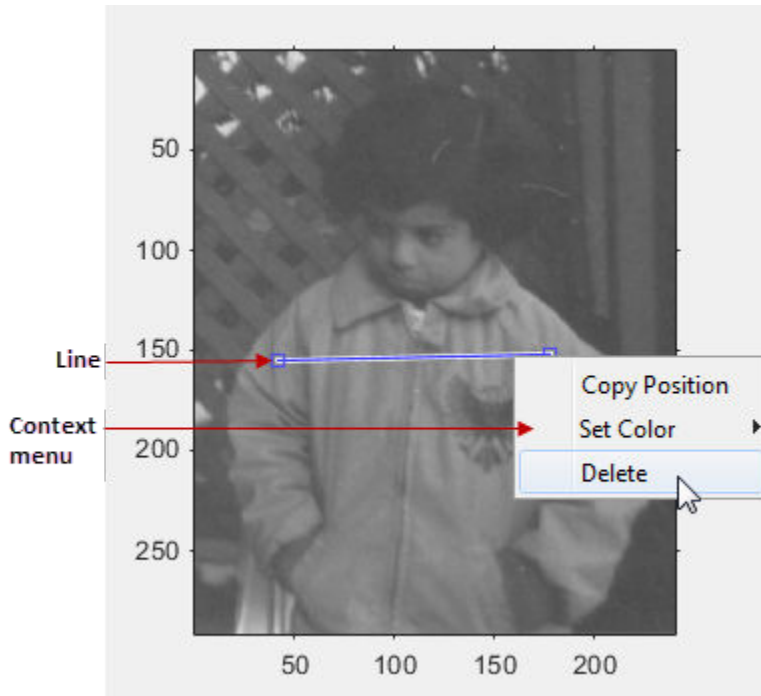
ROI can be deleted, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `logical`



Usage

When you call `imline` with an interactive syntax, the pointer changes to a cross hairs

 when over the image. Click and drag the mouse to specify the position and length of the line. The line supports a context menu that you can use to control aspects of its appearance and behavior.



The table describes the interactive behavior supported by `imline`.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Moving the line.	Move the pointer over the line. The pointer changes to a fleur shape  . Click and drag the mouse to move the line.
Moving the endpoints of the line.	Move the pointer over either end of the line. The pointer changes to the pointing finger,  . Click and drag the mouse to resize the line.
Changing the color used to display the line.	Move the pointer over the line. Right-click and select Set Color from the context menu.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Retrieving the coordinates of the endpoints of the line.	Move the pointer over the line. Right-click and select Copy Position from the context menu. <code>imline</code> copies a 2-by-2 array to the clipboard specifying the coordinates of the endpoints of the line in the form <code>[X1 Y1; X2 Y2]</code> .
Deleting the line	Move the pointer on top of the line. Right-click and select Delete from the context menu. To remove this option from the context menu, set the <code>Deletable</code> property to false: <code>h = imline(); h.Deletable = false;</code>

Object Functions

Each `imline` object supports a number of methods. Type methods `imline` to see a complete list.

<code>addNewPositionCallback</code>	Add new-position callback to ROI object
<code>createMask</code>	Create mask within image
<code>delete</code>	Delete handle object
<code>getColor</code>	Get color used to draw ROI object
<code>getPosition</code>	Return current position of ROI object
<code>getPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Return function handle to current position constraint function
<code>removeNewPositionCallback</code>	Remove new-position callback from ROI object
<code>resume</code>	(Not recommended) Resume execution of MATLAB command line
<code>setColor</code>	Set color used to draw ROI object
<code>setConstrainedPosition</code>	Set ROI object to new position
<code>setPosition</code>	Move ROI object to new position
<code>setPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Set position constraint function of ROI object
<code>wait</code>	(Not recommended) Block MATLAB command line until ROI creation is finished

Examples

Update Title when Line Moves

Use a custom color for displaying the line. Use `addNewPositionCallback` method. Move the line, note that the 2-by-2 position vector of the line is displayed in the title above the image. Explore the context menu of the line by right clicking on the line.

```
imshow('pout.tif')
h = imline(gca,[10 100],[100 100]);
setColor(h,[0 1 0]);
id = addNewPositionCallback(h,@(pos) title(mat2str(pos,3)));
```

After observing the callback behavior, remove the callback using the `removeNewPositionCallback` function.

```
removeNewPositionCallback(h,id);
```

Click and Drag to Place Line

Interactively place a line by clicking and dragging. Use `wait` to block the MATLAB command line. Double-click on the line to resume execution of the MATLAB command line.

```
imshow('pout.tif')
h = imline;
position = wait(h);
```

Tips

- If you use `imline` with an axes that contains an image object, and do not specify a position constraint function, users can drag the line outside the extent of the image and lose the line. When used with an axes created by the `plot` function, the axis limits automatically expand to accommodate the movement of the line.
- Use `imdistanline` to create an interactive line with a text box that displays the distance between line endpoints.

See Also

`imdistline` | `imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect` | `imroi` | `makeConstrainToRectFcn`

Introduced before R2006a

immagbox

Magnification box for image displayed in scroll panel

Use the `immagbox` function to add a magnification box to the same figure as an image contained in a scroll panel. A magnification box is an editable text box that contains the current magnification of the target image. When you enter a new value in the magnification box, the magnification of the target image changes. When the magnification of the target image changes for any reason, the magnification box updates the magnification value.

Syntax

```
hbox = immagbox(hparent,himage)
```

Description

`hbox = immagbox(hparent,himage)` creates a magnification box for an image displayed in a scroll panel. `himage` is a handle to the target image in the scroll panel. `hparent` is a handle to the figure or uipanel object that will contain the magnification box. The function returns `hbox`, a handle to the magnification box.

Examples

Add Magnification Box to Scrollable Image

Display an image in a figure. The example suppresses the standard toolbar and menubar in the figure window because these do not work with the scroll panel.

```
hFig = figure('ToolBar','none','MenuBar','none');  
hIm = imshow('pears.png');
```

Create a scroll panel to contain the image.

```
hSP = imscrollpanel(hFig,hIm);  
set(hSP,'Units','normalized','Position',[0 .1 1 .9])
```



Add a magnification box to the figure. Set the position of the magnification box to the lower left corner of the figure.

```
hMagBox = immagbox(hFig,hIm);  
pos = get(hMagBox,'Position');  
set(hMagBox,'Position',[0 0 pos(3) pos(4)])
```



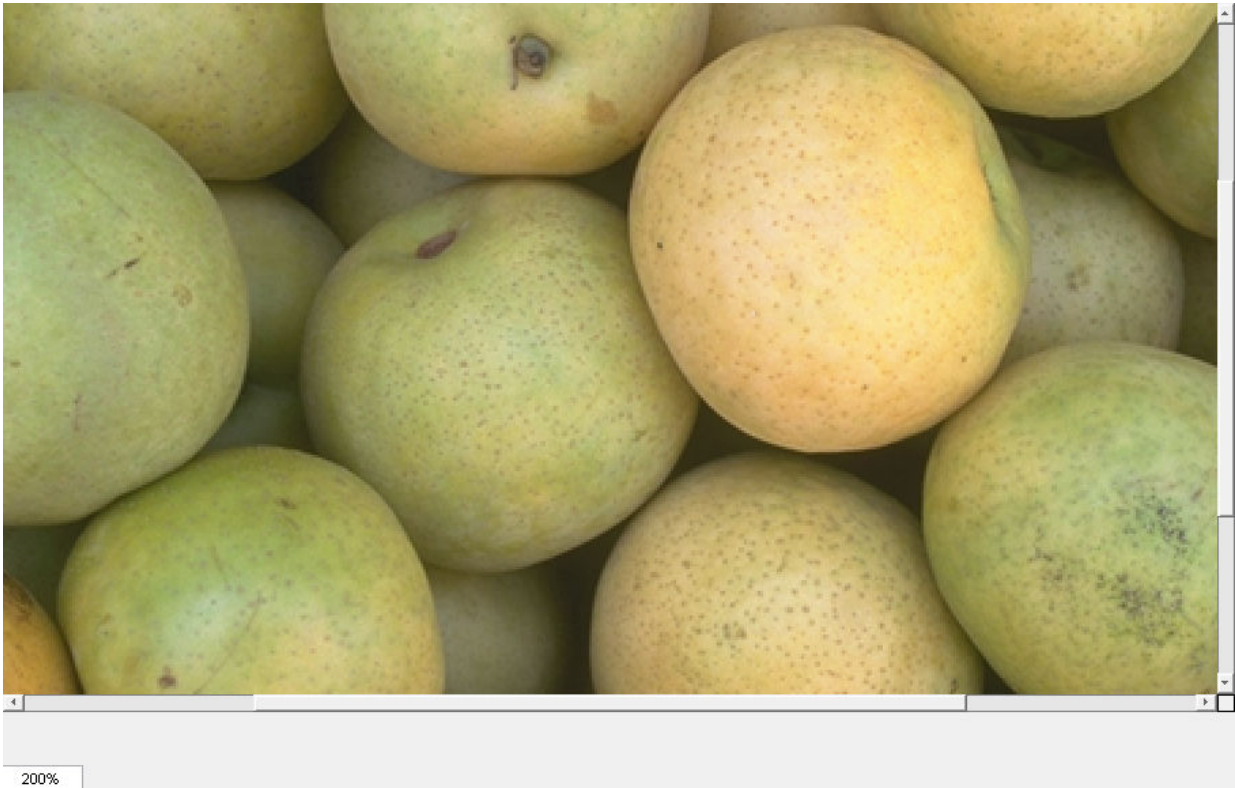
100%

Get the scroll panel API so that you can control the view programmatically.

```
apiSP = iptgetapi(hSP);
```

Set the magnification of the image to 200% by using the scroll panel API function `setMagnification`. Notice how the magnification box updates.

```
apiSP.setMagnification(2)
```



Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to figure or uipanel object

handle

Handle to a figure or uipanel object that contains the magnification box, specified as a handle.

himage — Handle to target image

handle

Handle to target image, specified as a handle. The image must be displayed in a scroll panel created by `imscrollpanel`.

Output Arguments

hbox — Handle to magnification box

handle

Handle to magnification box, returned as a handle. A magnification box is a type of uipanel object.

Definitions

Magnification Box API Structure

A magnification box contains a structure of function handles, called an API. You can use the functions in this API to manipulate the magnification box. To retrieve this structure, use the `iptgetapi` function, as in the following example.

```
api = iptgetapi(hbox)
```

This table lists the magnification box API functions, in the order they appear in the structure.

Function	Description
<code>setMagnification</code>	<p>Set the magnification of the target image in units of screen pixels per image pixel.</p> <pre>mag = api.setMagnification(new_mag)</pre> <p><code>new_mag</code> is a scalar magnification factor.</p>

See Also

`imscrollpanel` | `iptgetapi`

Introduced before R2006a

immovie

Make movie from multiframe image

Syntax

```
mov = immovie(X,cmap)
mov = immovie(RGB)
```

Description

`mov = immovie(X,cmap)` returns the movie structure array `mov` from the images in the multiframe indexed image `X` with colormap `cmap`.

`mov = immovie(RGB)` returns the movie structure array `mov` from the images in the multiframe truecolor image `RGB`.

Examples

Make Movie from Indexed Image Sequence

```
load mri
mov = immovie(D,map);
imshow(mov)
```

Input Arguments

X — Multiframe indexed image

m-by-*n*-by-1-by-*k* numeric array

Multiframe indexed image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-1-by-*k* numeric array, where *k* is the number of frames. Each frame uses the same colormap, `cmap`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

cmap — Color map*c-by-3* numeric matrix

Color map associated with multiframe indexed image *X*, specified as a *c-by-3* numeric matrix containing the RGB values of *c* colors.

RGB — Multiframe truecolor image*m-by-n-by-3-by-k* numeric array

Multiframe truecolor image, specified as an *m-by-n-by-3-by-k* numeric array, where *k* is the number of frames.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

mov — Movie*k-by-1* array of movie frame structures

Movie, returned as an *k-by-1* array of movie frame structures. For details about the movie frame structure, see `getframe`.

Tips

- To play the movie, call `implay`.
- To create a movie that can be played outside the MATLAB environment, use a `VideoWriter` object.

See Also

`VideoWriter` | `getframe` | `implay` | `montage` | `movie`

Introduced before R2006a

immse

Mean-squared error

Syntax

```
err = immse(X,Y)
```

Description

`err = immse(X,Y)` calculates the mean-squared error (MSE) between the arrays `X` and `Y`. `X` and `Y` can be arrays of any dimension, but must be of the same size and class.

Examples

Calculate Mean-Squared Error in Noisy Image

Read image and display it.

```
ref = imread('pout.tif');  
imshow(ref)
```




Create another image by adding noise to a copy of the reference image.

```
A = imnoise(ref, 'salt & pepper', 0.02);  
imshow(A)
```



Calculate mean-squared error between the two images.

```
err = immse(A, ref);  
fprintf('\n The mean-squared error is %0.4f\n', err);
```

The mean-squared error is 353.7631

Input Arguments

X — Input array

numeric array

Input array, specified as a nonsparse, numeric array.

Example: `err = immse(I,I2);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Y — Input array

nonsparse, numeric array

Input arrays, specified as a nonsparse, numeric array.

Example: `err = immse(I,I2);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

err — Mean-squared error

`double` | `single`

Mean-squared error, returned as a scalar of class `double`. If the input arguments are of class `single`, `err` is of class `single`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `immse` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

See Also

`mean` | `median` | `psnr` | `ssim` | `sum` | `var`

Introduced in R2014b

immultiply

Multiply two images or multiply image by constant

Syntax

```
Z = immultiply(X,Y)
```

Description

`Z = immultiply(X,Y)` multiplies each element in array `X` by the corresponding element in array `Y` and returns the product in the corresponding element of the output array `Z`.

`immultiply` computes each element of `Z` individually in double-precision floating point. If `X` or `Y` is an integer array, then elements of `Z` exceeding the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

If `X` and `Y` are numeric arrays of the same size and class, you can use the expression `X.*Y` instead of `immultiply`.

Examples

Multiply an Image by Itself

Read a grayscale image into the workspace, then convert the image to `uint8`.

```
I = imread('moon.tif');  
I16 = uint16(I);
```

Multiply the image by itself. Note that `immultiply` converts the class of the image from `uint8` to `uint16` before performing the multiplication to avoid truncating the results.

```
J = immultiply(I16,I16);
```

Show the original image and the processed image.

`imshow(I)`



```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Scale an Image by a Constant Factor

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('moon.tif');
```

Scale each value of the image by a constant factor of 0.5.

```
J = immultiply(I,0.5);
```

Display the original image and the processed image.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Input Arguments

X — First array

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

First array, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array of any dimension.

Y — Second array

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

Second array to be multiplied with X, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array.

- If X is numeric, then the size and class of Y can have one of the following values:
 - Y is the same size and class as X.
 - Y is the same size as X and is logical.
 - Y is a scalar of type `double`.
- If X is logical, then Y must have the same size as X. Y can be any class.

Output Arguments

Z — Product

numeric array

Product, returned as a numeric array.

- If X is numeric, then Z has the same size and class as X.
- If X is logical, then Z has the same size and class as Y.

If X or Y is an integer array, elements of the output that exceed the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

See Also

`imabsdiff` | `imadd` | `imcomplement` | `imdivide` | `imlincomb` | `imsubtract`

Introduced before R2006a

imnlmfilt

Non-local means filtering of image

Syntax

```
J = imnlmfilt(I)
J = imnlmfilt(I,Name,Value)
[J,estDoS] = imnlmfilt( ___ )
```

Description

`J = imnlmfilt(I)` applies a non-local means-based filter to the grayscale or color image `I` and returns the resulting image in `J`.

`J = imnlmfilt(I,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to change the behavior of the non-local means filter.

`[J,estDoS] = imnlmfilt(___)` also returns the degree of smoothing, `estDoS`, used to estimate the denoised pixel value.

Examples

Denoise Grayscale Image Using Non-Local Means Filter

Read a grayscale image.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Add white Gaussian noise with zero mean and 0.0015 variance to the image using the `imnoise` function.

```
noisyImage = imnoise(I,'gaussian',0,0.0015);
```

Remove noise from the image through non-local means filtering. The `imnlmfilt` estimates degree of smoothing based on the standard deviation of noise in the image.

```
[filteredImage,estDoS] = imnlmfilt(noisyImage);
```

Display the noisy image (left) and the non-local means filtered image (right) as a montage. Display estimated degree of smoothing, `estDoS` as the figure title.

The non-local means filter removes noise from the input image but preserves the sharpness of strong edges, such as the silhouette of the man and buildings. This function also smooths textured regions, such as the grass in the foreground of the image, resulting in less detail when compared to the noisy image.

```
montage({noisyImage,filteredImage})  
title(['Estimated degree of smoothing, ', 'estDoS = ', num2str(estDoS)]);
```

Estimated degree of smoothing, estDoS = 11.4833



Denoise Color Image Using Non-Local Means Filter

Read a color image.

```
imRGB = imread('peppers.png');
```


Add white Gaussian noise with zero mean and 0.0015 variance to the image using the `imnoise` function. Display the noisy RGB image.

```
noisyRGB = imnoise(imRGB, 'gaussian', 0, 0.0015);  
imshow(noisyRGB)
```



Convert the noisy RGB image to the L*a*b color space, so that the non-local means filter smooths perceptually similar colors.

```
noisyLAB = rgb2lab(noisyRGB);
```

Extract a homogeneous L*a*b patch from the noisy background to compute the noise standard deviation.

```
roi = [210,24,52,41];  
patch = imcrop(noisyLAB,roi);
```

In this L^*a^*b patch, compute the Euclidean distance from the origin, `edist`. Then, calculate the standard deviation of `edist` to estimate the noise.

```
patchSq = patch.^2;  
edist = sqrt(sum(patchSq,3));  
patchSigma = sqrt(var(edist(:)));
```

Set the `'DegreeOfSmoothing'` value to be higher than the standard deviation of the patch. Filter the noisy L^*a^*b image using non-local means filtering.

```
DoS = 1.5*patchSigma;  
denoisedLAB = imnlmfilt(noisyLAB, 'DegreeOfSmoothing',DoS);
```

Convert the filtered L^*a^*b image to the RGB color space. Display the filtered RGB image.

```
denoisedRGB = lab2rgb(denoisedLAB, 'Out', 'uint8');  
imshow(denoisedRGB)
```



Compare a patch from the noisy RGB image (left) and the same patch from the non-local means filtered RGB image (right).

```
roi2 = [178,68,110,110];  
montage({imcrop(noisyRGB,roi2),imcrop(denoisedRGB,roi2)})
```



Input Arguments

I — Image to filter

2-D grayscale image | 2-D color image

Image to filter, specified as a 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n or a 2-D color image of size m -by- n -by-3. The size of **I** must be greater than or equal to 21-by-21.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of **Name**, **Value** arguments. **Name** is the argument name and **Value** is the corresponding value. **Name** must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as **Name1**, **Value1**, ..., **NameN**, **ValueN**.

Example: `J = imnlmfilt(I,'DegreeOfSmoothing',10);`

DegreeOfSmoothing — Degree of smoothing

positive number

Degree of smoothing, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'DegreeOfSmoothing' and a positive number. As this value increases, the smoothing in the resulting image *J* increases. If you do not specify 'DegreeOfSmoothing', then the default value is the standard deviation of noise estimated from the image. For more information, see “Default Degree of Smoothing” on page 1-1688.

SearchWindowSize — Search window size

21 (default) | odd-valued positive integer

Search window size, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'SearchWindowSize' and an odd-valued positive integer, *s*. The search for similar neighborhoods to a pixel is limited to the *s*-by-*s* region surrounding that pixel. SearchWindowSize affects the performance linearly in terms of time. SearchWindowSize cannot be larger than the size of the input image, *I*.

ComparisonWindowSize — Comparison window size

5 (default) | odd-valued positive integer

Comparison window size, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ComparisonWindowSize' and an odd-valued positive integer, *c*. The `imnImfilt` function computes similarity weights using the *c*-by-*c* neighborhood surrounding pixels. ComparisonWindowSize must be less than or equal to SearchWindowSize. For more information, see “Estimate Denoised Pixel Value” on page 1-1688.

Output Arguments

J — Non-local means filtered image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D color image

Non-local means filtered image, returned as a 2-D grayscale image or 2-D color image of the same size and data type as the input image, *I*.

estDoS — Estimated degree of smoothing

positive number

Estimated degree of smoothing, returned as a positive number. If you specify DegreeOfSmoothing, then `imnImfilt` returns the same value in estDoS. Otherwise,

`imnlmfilt` returns the default degree of smoothing estimated using “Default Degree of Smoothing” on page 1-1688.

Tips

- To smooth perceptually close colors in an RGB image, convert the image to the CIE L*a*b* color space using `rgb2lab` before applying the non-local means filter. To view the results, first convert the filtered L*a*b* image to the RGB color space using `lab2rgb`.
- If the data type of `I` is `double`, then computations are performed in data type `double`. Otherwise, computations are performed in data type `single`.

Algorithms

Default Degree of Smoothing

The default value of `'DegreeOfSmoothing'` is the standard deviation of noise estimated from the image. To estimate the standard deviation, `imnlmfilt` convolves the image with a 3-by-3 filter proposed by J. Immerkær [2]. When `I` is a color image, the default value of `'DegreeOfSmoothing'` is the standard deviations of noise averaged across the channels.

Estimate Denoised Pixel Value

The non-local means filtering algorithm estimates the denoised value of pixel p using these steps.

- 1 For a specific pixel, q , in the search window, calculate the weighted Euclidean distance between pixel values in the c -by- c comparison windows surrounding p and q . For color images, include all channels in the Euclidean distance calculation.

The weight is a decreasing exponential function whose rate of decay is determined by the square of `'DegreeOfSmoothing'`. When an image is noisy, `'DegreeOfSmoothing'` is large and only pixels with similar values contribute to the Euclidean distance calculation. When an image has little noise, `'DegreeOfSmoothing'` is small and all pixels contribute to the Euclidean distance calculation.

The result is a numeric scalar that indicates the similarity between the neighborhood of p and the neighborhood of q .

Note In the implementation by A. Buades et al. [1], the Euclidean distance between two comparison windows is convolved with a Gaussian kernel of size c -by- c . This convolution gives more weight to the Euclidean distance between pixel values for pixels near the center of the comparison window. The `imnlmfilt` function omits this step for computational efficiency.

- 2 Repeat this computation for each of the other pixels in the s -by- s search window, finding the weighted Euclidean distance between pixel p and each of those pixels. The result is an s -by- s similarity matrix that indicates similarity between the neighborhood of p and the other neighborhoods in the search window.
- 3 Normalize the similarity matrix.
- 4 Using the weights in the normalized similarity matrix, compute the weighted average of pixel values in the s -by- s search window around pixel p . The result is the denoised value of p .

References

- [1] Buades, A., B. Coll, and J.-M. Morel. "A Non-Local Algorithm for Image Denoising." *2005 IEEE Computer Society Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*. Vol. 2, June 2005, pp. 60-65.
- [2] Immerkær, J. "Fast Noise Variance Estimation." *Computer Vision and Image Understanding*. Vol. 64, Number 2, Sept. 1996, pp. 300-302.

See Also

`imbilatfilt` | `imdifusefilt` | `imguidedfilter` | `locallapfilt`

Introduced in R2018b

imnoise

Add noise to image

Syntax

```
J = imnoise(I, 'gaussian')
J = imnoise(I, 'gaussian', m)
J = imnoise(I, 'gaussian', m, var_gauss)
J = imnoise(I, 'localvar', var_local)
J = imnoise(I, 'localvar', intensity_map, var_local)
J = imnoise(I, 'poisson')
J = imnoise(I, 'salt & pepper')
J = imnoise(I, 'salt & pepper', d)
J = imnoise(I, 'speckle')
J = imnoise(I, 'speckle', var_speckle)
```

Description

`J = imnoise(I, 'gaussian')` adds zero-mean, Gaussian white noise with variance of 0.01 to grayscale image `I`.

You optionally can add noise using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = imnoise(I, 'gaussian', m)` adds Gaussian white noise with mean `m` and variance of 0.01.

`J = imnoise(I, 'gaussian', m, var_gauss)` adds Gaussian white noise with mean `m` and variance `var_gauss`.

`J = imnoise(I, 'localvar', var_local)` adds zero-mean, Gaussian white noise of local variance `var_local`.

`J = imnoise(I, 'localvar', intensity_map, var_local)` adds zero-mean, Gaussian white noise. The local variance of the noise, `var_local`, is a function of the

image intensity values in I . The mapping of image intensity value to noise variance is specified by the vector `intensity_map`.

`J = imnoise(I, 'poisson')` generates Poisson noise from the data instead of adding artificial noise to the data. See “Algorithms” on page 1-1695 for more information.

`J = imnoise(I, 'salt & pepper')` adds salt and pepper noise, with default noise density 0.05. This affects approximately 5% of pixels.

`J = imnoise(I, 'salt & pepper', d)` adds salt and pepper noise, where d is the noise density. This affects approximately $d \times \text{numel}(I)$ pixels.

`J = imnoise(I, 'speckle')` adds multiplicative noise using the equation $J = I + n * I$, where n is uniformly distributed random noise with mean 0 and variance 0.05.

`J = imnoise(I, 'speckle', var_speckle)` adds multiplicative noise with variance `var_speckle`.

Examples

Add Noise to an Image

Read a grayscale image and display it.

```
I = imread('eight.tif');  
imshow(I)
```



Add salt and pepper noise, with a noise density of 0.02, to the image. Display the result.

```
J = imnoise(I, 'salt & pepper', 0.02);  
imshow(J)
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric matrix

Grayscale image, specified as a numeric matrix. If **I** has more than two dimensions, then the image is treated as a multidimensional grayscale image and not as an RGB image.

`imnoise` expects pixel values of data type `double` and `single` to be in the range `[0, 1]`. You can use the `rescale` function to adjust pixel values to the expected range. If your image is type `double` or `single` with values outside the range `[0,1]`, then `imnoise` clips input pixel values to the range `[0, 1]` before adding noise.

Note For Poisson noise, images of data type `int16` are not allowed.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

m — Mean of Gaussian noise

0 (default) | numeric scalar

Mean of Gaussian noise, specified as a numeric scalar.

var_gauss — Variance of Gaussian noise

0.01 (default) | numeric scalar

Variance of Gaussian noise, specified as a numeric scalar.

var_local — Local variance of Gaussian noise

numeric matrix | numeric vector

Local variance of Gaussian noise, specified as one of the following:

- A numeric matrix of the same size as `I`.
- A numeric vector the same length of `intensity_map`.

intensity_map — Intensity values

numeric vector

Intensity values that are mapped to Gaussian noise variance, specified as a numeric vector. The values are normalized to the range [0, 1].

You can plot the functional relationship between noise variance `var_local` and image intensity using the command `plot(intensity_map,var_local)`.

d — Noise density

0.05 (default) | numeric scalar

Noise density for salt and pepper noise, specified as a numeric scalar. The noise is applied to approximately $d \times \text{numel}(I)$ pixels.

var_speckle — Variance of multiplicative noise

0.05 (default) | numeric scalar

Variance of multiplicative noise, specified as a numeric scalar.

Output Arguments

J — Noisy image

numeric matrix

Noisy image, returned as a numeric matrix of the same data type as input image I. For images of data type `double` or `single`, the `imnoise` function clips output pixel values to the range `[0, 1]` after adding noise.

Algorithms

- The mean and variance parameters for `'gaussian'`, `'localvar'`, and `'speckle'` noise types are always specified as if the image were of class `double` in the range `[0, 1]`. If the input image is a different class, the `imnoise` function converts the image to `double`, adds noise according to the specified type and parameters, clips pixel values to the range `[0, 1]`, and then converts the noisy image back to the same class as the input.
- The Poisson distribution depends on the data type of input image I:
 - If I is double precision, then input pixel values are interpreted as means of Poisson distributions scaled up by `1e12`. For example, if an input pixel has the value `5.5e-12`, then the corresponding output pixel will be generated from a Poisson distribution with mean of 5.5 and then scaled down by `1e12`.
 - If I is single precision, the scale factor used is `1e6`.
 - If I is `uint8` or `uint16`, then input pixel values are used directly without scaling. For example, if a pixel in a `uint8` input has the value 10, then the corresponding output pixel will be generated from a Poisson distribution with mean 10.
- To add `'salt & pepper'` noise with density `d` to an image, `imnoise` first assigns each pixel a random probability value from a standard uniform distribution on the open interval `(0, 1)`.
 - For pixels with probability value in the range `(0, d/2)`, the pixel value is set to `0`. The number of pixels that are set to `0` is approximately $d * \text{numel}(I) / 2$.
 - For pixels with probability value in the range `[d/2, d)`, the pixel value is set to the maximum value of the image data type. The number of pixels that are set to the maximum value is approximately $d * \text{numel}(I) / 2$.
 - For pixels with probability value in the range `[d, 1)`, the pixel value is unchanged.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

rand | randn

Introduced before R2006a

imopen

Morphologically open image

Syntax

```
J = imopen(I,SE)
J = imopen(I,nhood)
```

Description

`J = imopen(I,SE)` performs morphological opening on the grayscale or binary image `I`, returning the opened image, `J`. `SE` is a single structuring element object returned by the `strel` or `offsetstrel` functions. The morphological open operation is an erosion followed by a dilation, using the same structuring element for both operations.

You optionally can perform the opening using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

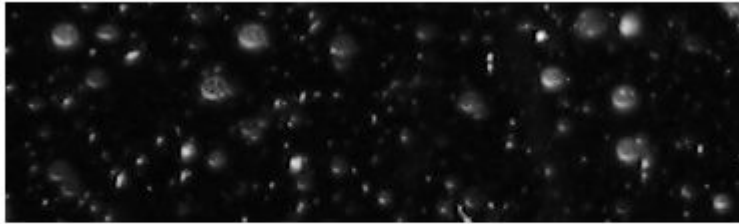
`J = imopen(I,nhood)` opens the image `I`, where `nhood` is a matrix of 0s and 1s that specifies the structuring element neighborhood. This is equivalent to the syntax `imopen(I,strel(nhood))`. The `imopen` function determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(nhood)+1)/2)`.

Examples

Morphologically Open Image with a Disk-Shaped Structuring Element

Read the image into the workspace and display it.

```
original = imread('snowflakes.png');
imshow(original);
```



Create a disk-shaped structuring element with a radius of 5 pixels.

```
se = strel('disk',5);
```

Remove snowflakes having a radius less than 5 pixels by opening it with the disk-shaped structuring element.

```
afterOpening = imopen(original,se);  
figure  
imshow(afterOpening,[]);
```



Morphologically Open Image Using a GPU

Read an image.

```
original = imread('snowflakes.png');
```

Create a disk-shaped structuring element.

```
se = strel('disk',5);
```

Morphologically open the image on a GPU, using a `gpuArray` object, and display the images.

```
afterOpening = imopen(gpuArray(original),se);  
figure, imshow(original), figure, imshow(afterOpening,[])
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

grayscale image | binary image | `gpuArray`

Input image, specified as a grayscale image or binary image. I can have any dimension, and must be real and nonparse.

To perform the opening using a GPU, specify I as a `gpuArray` that contains an image of type `uint8` or `logical`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object | `offsetstrel` object

Structuring element, specified as a single `strel` object or `offsetstrel` object. If the image I is data type `logical`, the structuring element must be flat.

If you perform the opening using a GPU, then SE must be flat and two-dimensional.

nhood — Structuring element neighborhood

matrix of 0s and 1s

Structuring element neighborhood, specified as a matrix of 0s and 1s.

Example: `[0 1 0; 1 1 1; 0 1 0]`

Output Arguments

J — Opened image

grayscale image | binary image | gpuArray

Opened image, returned as a grayscale image or binary image. J has the same class as input image I.

If the opening is performed using a GPU, then J is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a grayscale or binary image of the same class as I.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imopen` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imopen` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the image input argument, `IM`, must be 2-D or 3-D and the structuring element input argument, `SE`, must be a compile-time constant.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `gpuArray` input must be of type `uint8` or `logical` and the structuring element must be flat and two-dimensional.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

Functions

`imclose` | `imdilate` | `imerode`

Objects

`offsetstrel` | `strel`

Introduced before R2006a

imoverlay

Burn binary mask into 2-D image

Syntax

```
B = imoverlay(A,BW)
B = imoverlay( ____,color)
```

Description

`B = imoverlay(A,BW)` fills the grayscale or RGB input image, `A`, with a solid color where the input binary mask, `BW`, is `true`.

`B = imoverlay(____, color)` lets you specify the color that `imoverlay` uses to fill the image. `color` is a valid MATLAB color specification.

Examples

Burn Binary Image into Grayscale Image

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Read binary image into the workspace.

```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Burn the binary image into the grayscale image, choosing the color to be used.

```
B = imoverlay(A,BW,'yellow');
```

Display the result.

```
figure  
imshow(B)
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

real, nonsparse 2-D matrix

Input image, specified as a real, nonsparse 2-D matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

BW — Mask image

2-D logical matrix

Mask image, specified 2-D logical matrix the same size as A.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

color — Color used for the overlay

MATLAB color specification

Color used for the overlay, specified as a MATLAB color specification. For example, if you want to specify the color red, you could use any of the following specifications:

'red', 'r', or `[1 0 0]`.

Output Arguments

B — Output image

2-D matrix

Output image, returned as a 2-D matrix of class `uint8`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imoverlay` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, if you specify color as a character vector, it must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`boundarymask` | `superpixels`

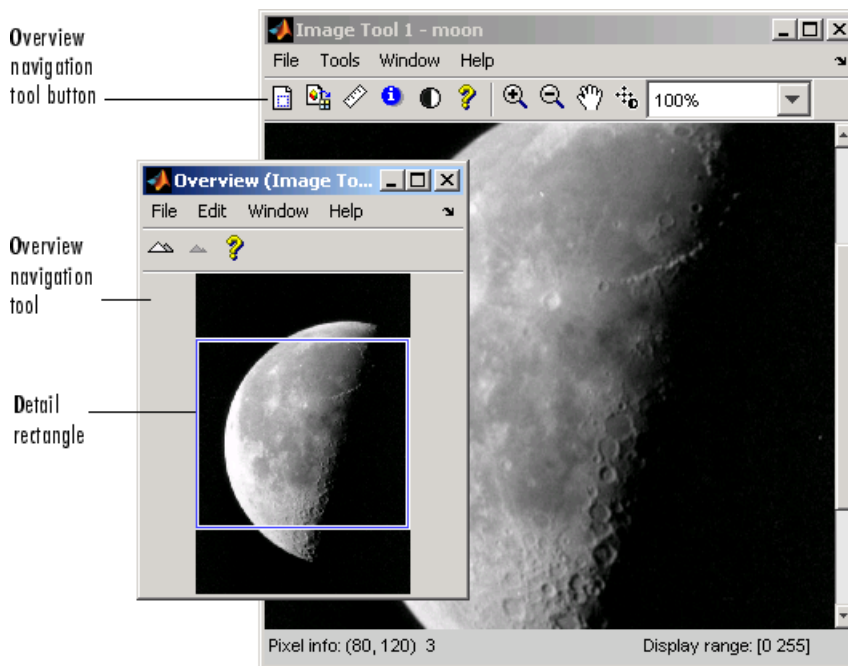
Introduced in R2016a

imoverview

Overview tool for image displayed in scroll panel

Use the `imoverview` function to create an Overview tool in a new figure window. The Overview tool is a navigation aid when exploring a zoomed-in version of the image.

The Overview tool displays the target image in its entirety, scaled to fit. The tool overlays a rectangle, called the detail rectangle, over the scaled version of the image. The detail rectangle shows the portion of the target image that is currently visible in the scroll panel. To view portions of the image that are not currently visible in the scroll panel, move the detail rectangle in the Overview tool.



Syntax

```
imoverview(himage)
```

```
htool = imoverview( ___ )
```

Description

`imoverview(himage)` creates an Overview tool associated with the image specified by the handle `himage`, called the target image.

`htool = imoverview(___)` returns `htool`, a handle to the Overview tool figure.

Examples

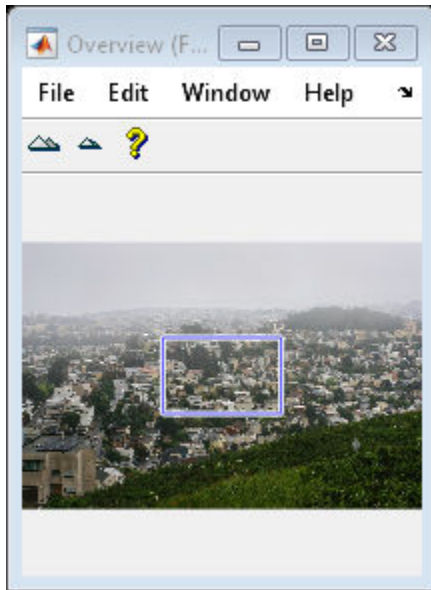
Create Overview Tool in New Figure

Display an image in a figure. Suppress the standard toolbar and menubar in the figure window because these do not work with the scroll panel.

```
hFig = figure('Toolbar','none','Menubar','none');  
hIm = imshow('foggysf1.jpg');
```

Create a scroll panel to contain the image. Create an overview tool in a new figure window.

```
hSP = imscrollpanel(hFig,hIm);  
imoverview(hIm)
```



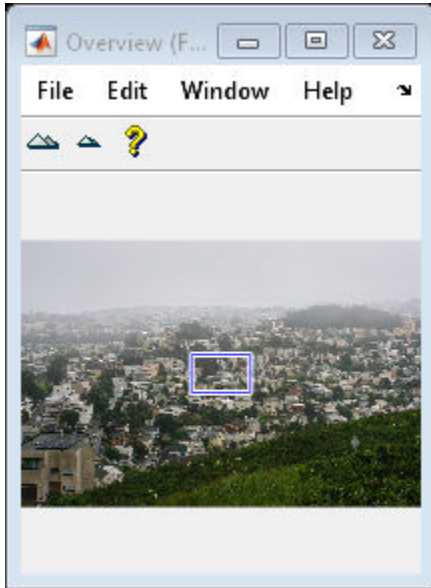
Get the scroll panel API so that you can control the view programmatically.

```
api = iptgetapi(hSP);
```

Set the magnification of the image to 200% by using the scroll panel API function `setMagnification`. Notice how the detail rectangle of the overview tool shrinks because a smaller portion of the image is displayed.

```
api = iptgetapi(hSP);  
api.setMagnification(2);
```





Input Arguments

himage — Handle to image

handle

Handle to image, specified as a handle. The image must be displayed in a scroll panel created by `imscrollpanel`.

Output Arguments

htool — Handle to Overview tool

handle

Handle to Overview tool figure, returned as a handle.

Tips

- To create an Overview tool that can be embedded in an existing figure or uipanel object, use `imoverviewpanel`.

See Also

`imoverviewpanel` | `imscrollpanel`

Introduced before R2006a

imoverviewpanel

Overview tool panel for image displayed in scroll panel

Use the `imoverviewpanel` function to add an Overview tool to the same figure as an image contained in a scroll panel. The Overview tool is a navigation aid when exploring a zoomed-in version of the image.

The Overview tool displays the target image in its entirety, scaled to fit. The tool overlays a rectangle, called the detail rectangle, over the scaled version of the image. The detail rectangle shows the portion of the target image that is currently visible in the scroll panel. To view portions of the image that are not currently visible in the scroll panel, move the detail rectangle in the Overview tool.

Syntax

```
hpanel = imoverviewpanel(hparent,himage)
```

Description

`hpanel = imoverviewpanel(hparent,himage)` creates an Overview tool for an image displayed in a scroll panel. `himage` is a handle to the target image in the scroll panel. `hparent` is the handle to the figure or `uipanel` object that will contain the Overview tool. `hpanel` is the handle to the Overview tool.

Examples

Add Overview Tool to Scrollable Image

Display an image in a figure. The example suppresses the standard toolbar and menubar in the figure window because these do not work with the scroll panel.

```
hFig = figure('ToolBar','none','MenuBar','none');  
hIm = imshow('foggysf1.jpg');
```

Create a scroll panel to contain the image. Set the size and position of the scroll panel so that the image occupies the top half of the figure window.

```
hSP = imscrollpanel(hFig,hIm);  
set(hSP,'Units','normalized','Position',[0 .5 1 .5])
```



Add an overview tool to the figure. Set the size and position of the overview tool to occupy the bottom half of the figure window.

To explore details of the displayed image, try dragging the detail rectangle over the overview tool.

```
h0vPanel = imoverviewpanel(hFig,hIm);  
set(h0vPanel,'Units','Normalized','Position',[0 0 1 .5])
```



Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to figure or uipanel object

handle

Handle to a figure or uipanel object that contains the Overview tool, specified as a handle.

himage — Handle to target image

handle

Handle to target image, specified as a handle. The image must be displayed in a scroll panel created by `imscrollpanel`.

Output Arguments

hpanel — Handle to Overview tool

handle

Handle to Overview tool, returned as a handle. An Overview tool is a type of uipanel object.

Tips

- To create an Overview tool in a separate figure window, use `imoverview`. When created using `imoverview`, the Overview tool includes zoom-in and zoom-out buttons.

See Also

`imoverview` | `imscrollpanel`

Introduced before R2006a

impixel

Pixel color values

Syntax

```
P = impixel
```

```
P = impixel(I)
```

```
P = impixel(X,map)
```

```
P = impixel(I,c,r)
```

```
P = impixel(X,map,c,r)
```

```
P = impixel(x,y,I,xi,yi)
```

```
P = impixel(x,y,X,map,xi,yi)
```

```
[xi2,yi2,P] = impixel( ___ )
```

Description

`P = impixel` lets you select pixels interactively from the image in the current axes. With this syntax and the other interactive syntaxes, the pixel selection tool blocks the MATLAB command line until you complete the operation. When you finish selecting pixels, `impixel` returns the pixel values in `P`.

Use normal button clicks to select pixels. Press **Backspace** or **Delete** to remove the previously selected pixel. To add a final pixel and finish pixel selection in one step, press shift-click, or right-click or double-click. To finish selecting pixels without adding a final pixel, press **Return**.

`P = impixel(I)` returns the value of pixels in image `I`. The `impixel` function displays the image and waits for you to select pixels in the image using the mouse.

`P = impixel(X,map)` returns the value of pixels in indexed image `X` with corresponding colormap, `map`. The `impixel` function displays the image and waits for you to select pixels in the image using the mouse.

`P = impixel(I, c, r)` returns the values of specified pixels in image `I`. The column and row coordinates of the sampled pixels are specified by `c` and `r`. The k th row of `P` contains the RGB values for the pixel $(r(k), c(k))$.

`P = impixel(X, map, c, r)` returns the values of specified pixels in indexed image `X`. The column and row coordinates of the sampled pixels are specified by `c` and `r`.

`P = impixel(x, y, I, xi, yi)` returns the values of pixels in the specified image, `I`, using a nondefault coordinate system where `x` and `y` specify the image limits. `xi` and `yi` specify the spatial coordinates of the pixels whose values are returned in `P`.

`P = impixel(x, y, X, map, xi, yi)` returns the values of pixels in the specified indexed image, `X`, with corresponding colormap, `map`, using a nondefault coordinate system.

`[xi2, yi2, P] = impixel(___)` additionally returns the coordinates of the selected pixels.

Examples

Return Individual Pixel Values from Image

Read a truecolor image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('peppers.png');
```

Determine the column `c` and row `r` indices of the pixels to extract.

```
c = [1 12 146 410];
r = [1 104 156 129];
```

Return the data at the selected pixel locations.

```
pixels = impixel(RGB, c, r)
```

```
pixels = 4×3
```

```
    62    29    64
    62    34    63
   166    54    60
    59    28    47
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

RGB image | grayscale image | binary image

Input image, specified as an RGB, grayscale, or binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

X — Indexed image

numeric array

Indexed image, specified as a numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

map — Colormap

m-by-3 numeric array

Colormap associated with the indexed image *X*, specified as an *m*-by-3 numeric array. Values with data type `single` or `double` must be in the range [0, 1].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8`

c, r — Column or row index of pixels to sample

vector of positive integers

Column or row index of pixels to sample, specified as a vector of positive integers. The length and data type of *c* and *r* must match.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

x, y — Image limits in world coordinates

2-element numeric vector

Image limits in world coordinates along the *x* or *y* direction, specified as a 2-element numeric vector of the form [min max]. The values of *x* and *y* set the image *XData* and *YData*. The data type of *x* and *y* must match.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

xi, yi — *x*- or *y*-coordinates of pixels to sample

numeric vector

x - or y -coordinates of pixels to sample, in the world coordinate system defined by x and y , specified as a numeric vector. The length and data type of x_i and y_i must match.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

P — Sampled pixel values

p -by-3 matrix

Sampled pixel values, returned as a p -by-3 matrix. `impixel` always returns pixel values as RGB triplets, regardless of the image type. The values in each row of the matrix depends on the image type.

Image Type	Result
RGB	Returns the actual RGB data for the pixel. The values are data type <code>double</code> .
Grayscale	Returns the intensity value as an RGB triplet, where $R=G=B$. The values are data type <code>double</code> .
Indexed	Returns the RGB triplet stored in the row of the colormap that the pixel value points to. The values have the same data type as the colormap, <code>map</code> .
Binary	Returns the intensity value as an RGB triplet, where $R=G=B$. The values are data type <code>double</code> .

x_i2 , y_i2 — x - or y -coordinates of sampled pixels

numeric vector

x - or y -coordinates of sampled pixels, returned as a numeric vector.

- If you select pixels interactively using the mouse, or if you specify pixels using row and column indices c and r , then x_i2 and y_i2 are interpreted as pixel indices.
- If you specify the image limits, x and y , in a nondefault spatial coordinate system, then x_i2 and y_i2 are interpreted as x - and y -coordinates in that coordinate system.

See Also

`getpts` | `improfile`

Introduced before R2006a

impixelinfo

Pixel Information tool

Use the `impixelinfo` function to create a Pixel Information tool. The Pixel Information tool displays information about the pixel in an image that the pointer is positioned over. If the figure contains multiple images, the tool displays pixel information for all the images. For more information about using the tool, see [Tips](#) on page 1-1723.

X and Y coordinates	Pixel Value
Pixel info: (418, 261)	143

Syntax

```
impixelinfo
impixelinfo(h)
impixelinfo(hparent,himage)
htool = impixelinfo( ___ )
```

Description

`impixelinfo` creates a Pixel Information tool in the current figure.

`impixelinfo(h)` creates a Pixel Information tool in the figure specified by the handle `h`.

`impixelinfo(hparent,himage)` creates a Pixel Information tool in `hparent` that provides information about the pixels in `himage`.

`htool = impixelinfo(___)` returns a handle to the Pixel Information tool uipanel.

Examples

Add Pixel Information Tool to Figure

Display an image and add a Pixel Information tool to the figure. The example shows how you can change the position of the tool in the figure using properties of the tool uipanel object.

```
h = imshow('hestain.png');  
hp = impixelinfo;  
set(hp, 'Position', [5 1 300 20]);
```

Use the Pixel Information tool in a figure containing multiple images of different types.

```
figure  
subplot(1,2,1), imshow('liftingbody.png');  
subplot(1,2,2), imshow('autumn.tif');  
impixelinfo;
```

Input Arguments

h — Handle to graphics object

handle

Handle to a figure, axes, uipanel, or image graphics object, specified as a handle. Axes, uipanel, or figure objects must contain at least one image object.

hparent — Handle to figure or uipanel object

handle

Handle to a figure or uipanel object that contains the Pixel Information tool, specified as a handle.

himage — Handle to images

handle | array of handles

Handle to one or more images, specified as a handle or an array of image handles.

Output Arguments

htool — Handle to Pixel Information tool

handle

Handle to Pixel Information tool uipanel, returned as a handle.

Tips

The Pixel Information tool is a uipanel object, positioned in the lower-left corner of the figure. The tool contains the text label **Pixel info:** followed by the pixel information. Before you move the pointer over the image, the tool contains the default pixel information text (X,Y) Pixel Value. Once you move the pointer over the image, the information displayed varies by image type, as shown in the following table. If you move the pointer off the image, the pixel information tool displays the default pixel information label for that image type.

Image Type	Pixel Information	Example
Intensity	(X,Y) Intensity	(13,30) 82
Indexed	(X,Y) <index> [R G B]	(2,6) <4> [0.29 0.05 0.32]
Binary	(X,Y) BW	(12,1) 0
Truecolor	(X,Y) [R G B]	(19,10) [15 255 10]
Floating point image with CDataMapping property set to direct	(X,Y) value <index> [R G B]	(19,10) 82 <4> [15 255 10]

- If you want to display the pixel information without the “Pixel Info” label, use the `impixelinfoval` function.
- To copy the pixel information label to the clipboard, right-click while the pointer is positioned over a pixel. In the context menu displayed, choose **Copy pixel info**.

See Also

`impixelinfoval` | `imtool`

Introduced before R2006a

impixelinfoval

Pixel Information tool without text label

Use the `impixelinfoval` function to create a Pixel Information tool without the **Pixel info:** text label. The Pixel Information tool displays information about the pixel in an image that the pointer is positioned over. If the figure contains multiple images, the tool displays pixel information for all the images. The information displayed depends on the image type. See `impixelinfo` for more details about using the Pixel Information tool.

X and Y coordinates	Pixel Value
(167, 251)	114

Syntax

```
htool = impixelinfoval(hparent,himage)
```

Description

`htool = impixelinfoval(hparent,himage)` creates a Pixel Information tool in `hparent` that provides information about the pixels in `himage`.

Examples

Add Pixel Information Tool Without Text Label

Add a Pixel Information tool to a figure, excluding the text label. Note how you can change the style and size of the font used to display the value in the tool using standard graphics object properties.

```
ankle = dicomread('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm');  
h = imshow(ankle,[]);  
hText = impixelinfoval(gcf,h);
```

```
set(hText, 'FontWeight', 'bold')  
set(hText, 'FontSize', 10)
```

Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to figure or uipanel object

handle

Handle to a figure or uipanel object that contains the Pixel Information tool, specified as a handle.

himage — Handle to images

handle | array of handles

Handle to one or more images, specified as a handle or an array of image handles.

Output Arguments

htool — Handle to Pixel Information tool

handle

Handle to Pixel Information tool uipanel, returned as a handle.

See Also

[impixelinfo](#)

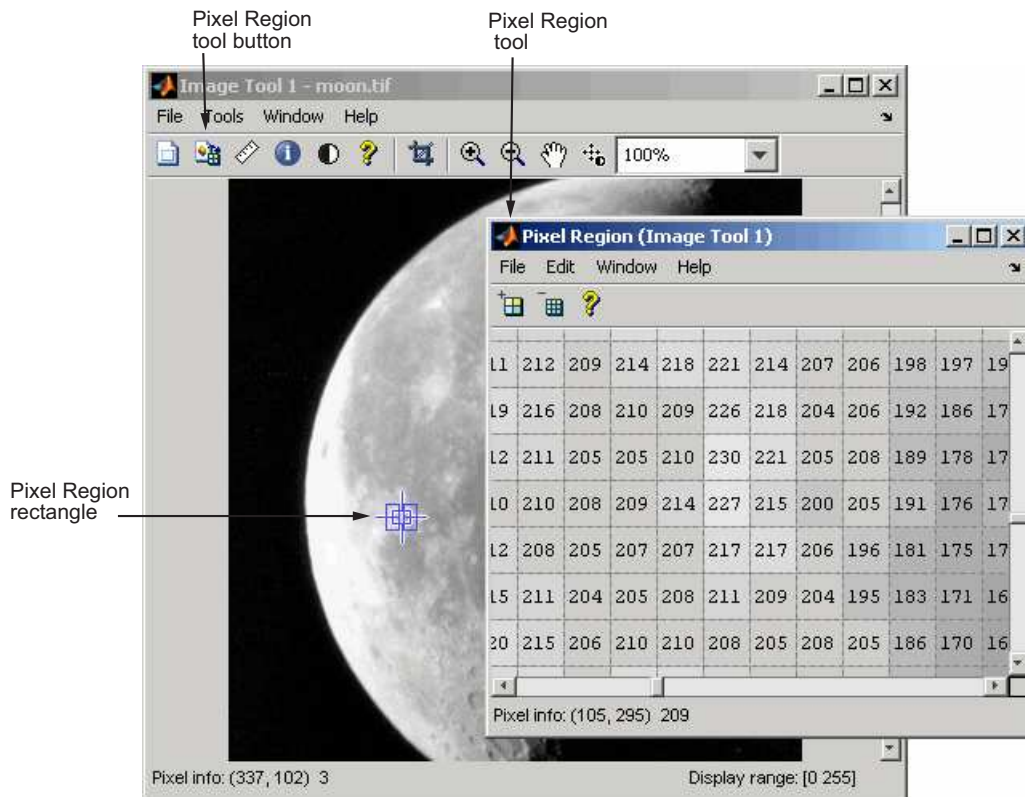
Introduced before R2006a

impixelregion

Pixel Region tool

Use the `impixelregion` function to create a Pixel Region tool in a new figure window. The Pixel Region tool is an aid to explore pixel values of images.

The Pixel Region tool displays an extreme close-up view of a small region of pixels in the target image. The tool overlays a rectangle, called the pixel region rectangle, over the target image. To view pixels in a different region, click and drag the rectangle over the target image, or scroll the Pixel Region tool. You can resize the pixel region rectangle to change the resolution of pixels in the Pixel Region tool. If the size of the pixels allows, the tool superimposes the numeric value of the pixel over each pixel.



Syntax

```
impixelregion  
impixelregion(h)  
htool = impixelregion( ___ )
```

Description

`impixelregion` creates a Pixel Region tool associated with the image displayed in the current figure, called the target image.

`impixelregion(h)` creates a Pixel Region tool in the figure specified by the handle `h`.

`htool = impixelregion(___)` returns `htool`, a handle to the Pixel Region tool figure.

Examples

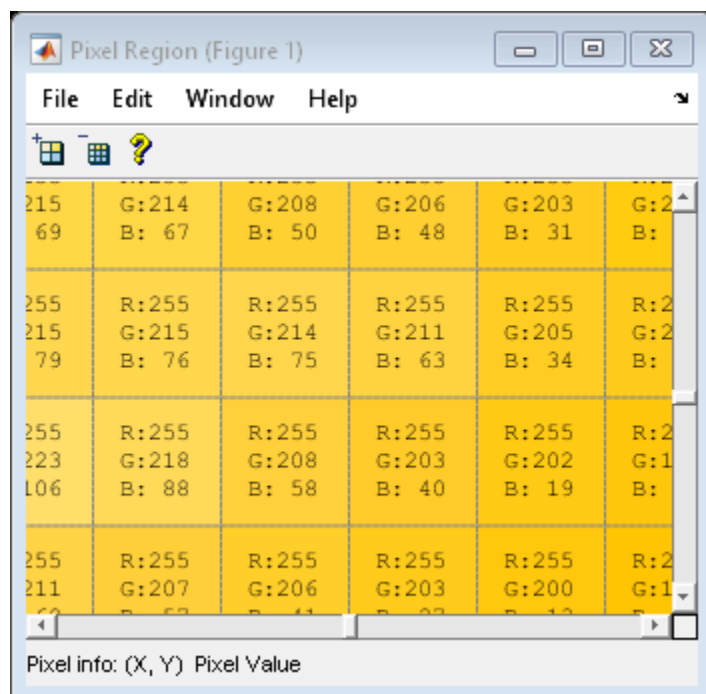
Create Pixel Region Tool in New Figure

Display an image.

```
imshow('peppers.png')
```

Create an pixel region tool in a new figure window. The tool associates with the image in the current figure.

```
impixelregion
```





Input Arguments

h — Handle to graphics object
handle

Handle to a figure, axes, uipanel, or image graphics object, specified as a handle. If `h` is an axes or figure handle, `impixelregion` uses the first image returned by `findobj(H,'Type','image')`.

Output Arguments

htool — Handle to Pixel Region tool

handle

Handle to Pixel Region tool figure, returned as a handle.

Tips

- To get a closer view of the pixels displayed in the tool, use the zoom buttons on the Pixel Region tool toolbar.
- To get the current position of the pixel region rectangle, right-click on the rectangle and select **Copy Position** from the context menu. The Pixel Region tool copies a four-element position vector to the clipboard. To change the color of the pixel region rectangle, right-click and select **Set Color**.
- To create a Pixel Region tool that can be embedded in an existing figure window or uipanel, use `impixelregionpanel`.

See Also

`impixelinfo` | `impixelregionpanel` | `imtool`

Introduced before R2006a

impixelregionpanel

Pixel Region tool panel

Use the `impixelregionpanel` function to add a Pixel Region tool to the same figure as an image. The Pixel Region tool is an aid to explore pixel values of images.

The Pixel Region tool displays an extreme close-up view of a small region of pixels in the target image. The tool overlays a rectangle, called the pixel region rectangle, over the target image. To view pixels in a different region, click and drag the rectangle over the target image, or scroll the Pixel Region tool. You can resize the pixel region rectangle to change the resolution of pixels in the Pixel Region tool. If the size of the pixels allows, the tool superimposes the numeric value of the pixel over each pixel.

Syntax

```
hpanel = impixelregionpanel(hparent,himage)
```

Description

`hpanel = impixelregionpanel(hparent,himage)` creates a Pixel Region tool in a figure window. `himage` is a handle to the target image whose pixels are to be displayed. `hparent` is the handle to the figure or uipanel object that will contain the Pixel Region tool. `hpanel` is the handle to the Pixel Region tool.

Examples

Add Pixel Region Tool to Figure

Display an image in a figure. This example displays the image in a subplot to create space in the figure window for the pixel region tool.

```
hFig = figure;  
subplot(1,2,1)  
hIm = imshow('peppers.png');
```



Create a pixel region tool in the same figure as the image. The pixel region tool covers the entire figure window.

```
hpanel = impixelregionpanel(hFig,hIm);
```

R:255 G:220 B:105	R:255 G:215 B: 71	R:255 G:213 B: 63	R:255 G:210 B: 58	R:255 G:210 B: 50	R:255 G:207 B: 33	R:255 G:202 B: 10	R:255 G:201 B: 5
R:255 G:215 B: 76	R:255 G:215 B: 69	R:255 G:214 B: 67	R:255 G:208 B: 50	R:255 G:206 B: 48	R:255 G:203 B: 31	R:255 G:204 B: 15	R:255 G:201 B: 10
R:255 G:210 B: 63	R:255 G:215 B: 79	R:255 G:215 B: 76	R:255 G:214 B: 75	R:255 G:211 B: 63	R:255 G:205 B: 34	R:255 G:203 B: 27	R:255 G:200 B: 17
R:255 G:223 B:115	R:255 G:223 B:106	R:255 G:218 B: 88	R:255 G:208 B: 58	R:255 G:203 B: 40	R:255 G:202 B: 19	R:255 G:199 B: 11	R:255 G:197 B: 4
R:255 G:211 B: 79	R:255 G:211 B: 68	R:255 G:207 B: 57	R:255 G:206 B: 41	R:255 G:203 B: 27	R:255 G:200 B: 13	R:255 G:197 B: 0	R:255 G:195 B: 0
R:255 G:207 B: 59	R:255 G:204 B: 46	R:255 G:202 B: 27	R:255 G:203 B: 30	R:255 G:203 B: 30	R:255 G:198 B: 16	R:255 G:196 B: 0	R:255 G:194 B: 0

Reduce the dimensions of the pixel region tool to 40% of the height and width of the figure. Specify the position of the bottom left corner of the tool so that the tool occupies the space in the figure to the right of the image.

To explore pixel values across the image, try dragging and resizing the pixel region rectangle over the target image and scrolling the pixel region tool.

```
set(hpanel, 'Position', [0.55 0.3 .4 .4])
```



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:255	R:255	R:255	R:25	
:215	G:214	G:211	G:20	
: 76	B: 75	B: 63	B: 3	
:255	R:255	R:255	R:25	
:218	G:208	G:203	G:20	
: 88	B: 58	B: 40	B: 1	
				▼
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Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to figure or uipanel object

handle

Handle to a figure or uipanel object that will contain the Pixel Region tool, specified as a handle.

himage — Handle to target image

handle

Handle to target image, specified as a handle.

Output Arguments

hpanel — Handle to Pixel Region tool

handle

Handle to Pixel Region tool, returned as a handle. A Pixel Region tool is a type of uipanel object.

Tips

- To create a Pixel Region tool in a separate figure window, use `impixelregion`.

See Also

`impixelregion` | `imrect` | `imscrollpanel`

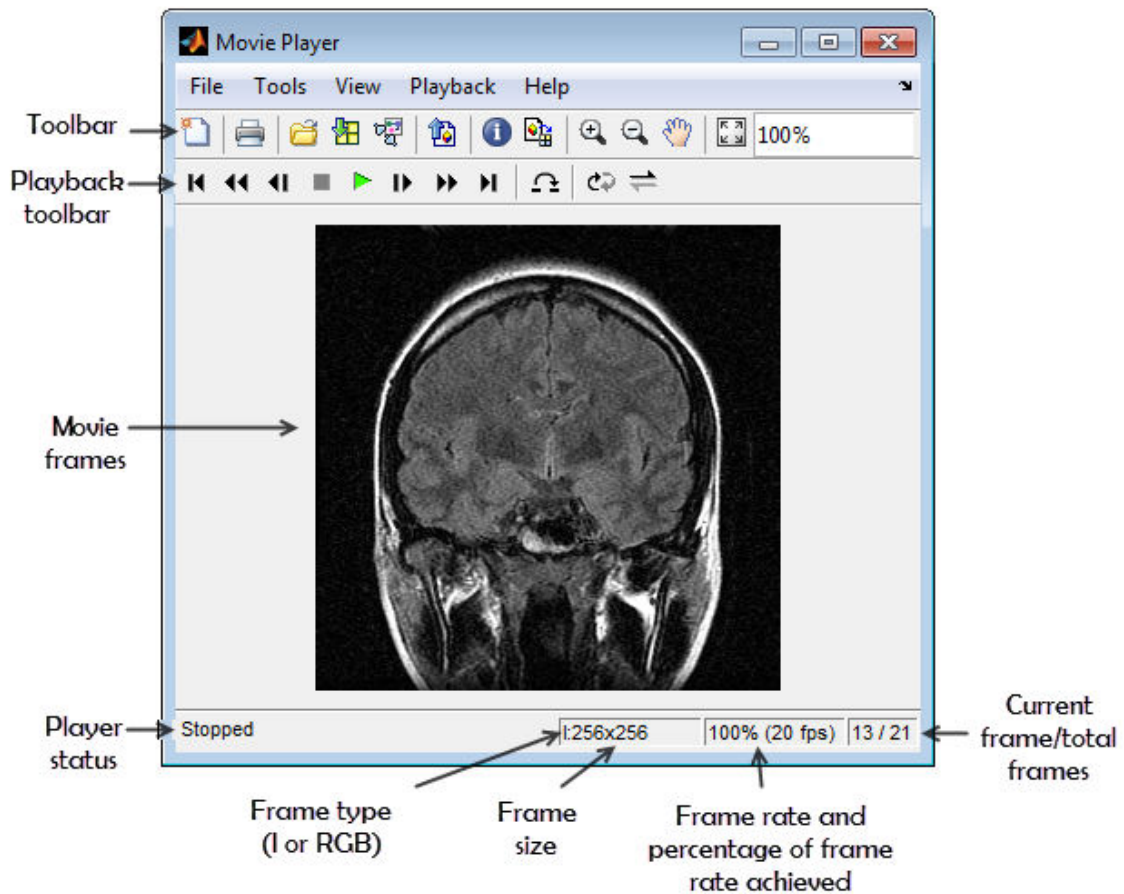
Introduced before R2006a

implay

Play movies, videos, or image sequences

Use the `implay` function to open the **Video Viewer** app, which plays MATLAB movies, videos, or image sequences (also called image stacks). Using Video Viewer you can select the movie or image sequence that you want to play, jump to a specific frame in the sequence, change the frame rate of the display, or perform other viewing activities. You can open multiple Video Viewers to view different movies simultaneously.

The figure shows the Video Viewer app containing an image sequence.



Syntax

```
implay  
implay(filename)  
implay(I)  
implay( __ , fps)
```


Description

`implay` opens the Video Viewer app. To select the movie or image sequence that you want to play, use the Video Viewer **File** menu.

`implay(filename)` opens the Video Viewer app, displaying the content of the file specified by `filename`. The file can be an Audio Video Interleaved (AVI) file. The Video Viewer reads one frame at a time, conserving memory during playback. The Video Viewer does not play audio tracks.

`implay(I)` opens the Video Viewer app, displaying the first frame in the multiframe image specified by `I`.

`implay(____, fps)` specifies the frame rate at which you want to view the movie or image sequence.

Examples

Play Three Types of Videos

Animate a sequence of images.

```
load cellsequence
implay(cellsequence,10);
```

Visually explore a stack of MRI images.

```
load mrystack
implay(mrystack);
```

Play an AVI file.

```
implay('rhinos.avi');
```

Input Arguments

filename — File name

character vector | string scalar

File name of AVI file, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

I — Multiframe image sequence

MATLAB movie structure | sequence of binary, grayscale, or truecolor images

Multiframe image sequence, specified as one of the following.

- A MATLAB movie structure
- A binary or grayscale image sequence, specified as an m -by- n -by-1-by- k array or an m -by- n -by- k array
- A truecolor (RGB) image sequence, specified as an M -by- N -by-3-by- K array.

I can be numeric but `uint8` is preferred. The actual data type used to display pixels may differ from the source data type.

fps — Frames per second

20 (default) | positive number

Frame rate, in frames-per-second, specified as a positive number. If omitted, the Video Viewer uses the frame rate specified in the file or the default value, 20.

Tips

- You can also open the Video Viewer app through the Apps tab. Navigate to the Image Processing and Computer Vision group and click Video Viewer.

See Also

`VideoWriter` | **Volume Viewer** | `immovie` | `montage` | `movie`

Introduced in R2007b

impoint

Create draggable point

Note `impoint` is not recommended. Use `drawpoint` instead.

Description

An `impoint` object encapsulates an interactive point over an image.

You can adjust the position of the point by using the mouse. The point also has a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior. For more information, see “Usage” on page 1-1743.

Creation

Syntax

```
h = impoint
h = impoint(hparent)
h = impoint(hparent,position)
h = impoint(hparent,x,y)
h = impoint( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = impoint` begins interactive placement of a point on the current axes, and returns an `impoint` object.

`h = impoint(hparent)` begins interactive placement of a point on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = impoint(hparent,position)` creates a draggable point with coordinates defined by `position`.

`h = impoint(hparent,x,y)` creates a draggable point with *x*- and *y*-coordinates of the point defined by *x* and *y*.

`h = impoint(____,Name,Value)` specifies name-value pairs that control the behavior of the point.

Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to parent object

handle

Handle to parent object, specified as a handle. The parent is typically an axes object, but can also be any other object that can be the parent of an `hggroup` object.

position — Position of point

2-element vector

Position of point, specified as a 2-element vector of the form `[x y]`.

x, y — *x*- or *y*-coordinate of point

numeric scalar

x- or *y*-coordinate of the point, specified as a numeric scalar.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name, Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

PositionConstraintFcn — Position constraint function

function handle

Position constraint function, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'PositionConstraintFcn'` and a function handle. `fcn` is called whenever the mouse is dragged. You can use this function to control where the point can be dragged. See the help for the `setPositionConstraintFcn` function for information about valid function handles.

Properties

Deletable — ROI can be deleted

true (default) | false

ROI can be deleted, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `logical`

Usage


When you call `impoint` with an interactive syntax, the pointer changes to a cross hairs

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when over the image. Click and drag the mouse to specify the position of the point. The point supports a context menu that you can use to control aspects of its appearance and behavior.



The table describes the interactive behavior supported by `impoint`.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Moving the point.	Move the mouse pointer over the point. The mouse pointer changes to a fleur shape  . Click and drag the mouse to move the point.
Changing the color used to display the point.	Move the mouse pointer over the point. Right-click and select Set Color from the context menu and specify the color you want to use.
Retrieving the coordinates of the point.	Move the mouse pointer over the point. Right-click and select Copy Position from the context menu to copy a 1-by-2 array to the clipboard specifying the coordinates of the point [X Y].
Deleting the point	Move the pointer on top of the point. Right-click and select Delete from the context menu. To remove this option from the context menu, set the <code>Deletable</code> property to false: <code>h = impoint(); h.Deletable = false;</code>

Object Functions

Each `impoint` object supports a number of methods. Type `methods impoint` to see a complete list.

<code>addNewPositionCallback</code>	Add new-position callback to ROI object
<code>createMask</code>	Create mask within image
<code>delete</code>	Delete handle object
<code>getColor</code>	Get color used to draw ROI object
<code>getPosition</code>	Return current position of ROI object
<code>getPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Return function handle to current position constraint function
<code>removeNewPositionCallback</code>	Remove new-position callback from ROI object
<code>resume</code>	(Not recommended) Resume execution of MATLAB command line
<code>setColor</code>	Set color used to draw ROI object
<code>setConstrainedPosition</code>	Set ROI object to new position
<code>setPosition</code>	Move ROI object to new position
<code>setPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Set position constraint function of ROI object

<pre>setString wait</pre>	<pre>Set text label for point ROI object (Not recommended) Block MATLAB command line until ROI creation is finished</pre>
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Examples

Enforce Boundary Constraint when Point Moves

Use `impoint` methods to set custom color, set a label, enforce a boundary constraint, and update position in title as point moves.

```
imshow('rice.png')
h = impoint(gca,100,200);
```

Update the title with the new position by using `addNewPositionCallback`.

```
addNewPositionCallback(h,@(h) title(sprintf('%1.0f,%1.0f',h(1),h(2))));
```

Construct a boundary constraint function by using `makeConstrainToRectFcn`.

```
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('impoint',get(gca,'XLim'),get(gca,'YLim'));
```

Enforce the boundary constraint function using `setPositionConstraintFcn`.

```
setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn);
setColor(h,'r');
setString(h,'Point label');
```

Click and Drag to Move Point

Interactively place a point. Use `wait` to block the MATLAB command line. Double-click on the point to resume execution of the MATLAB command line

```
imshow('pout.tif')
h = impoint(gca,[]);
position = wait(h);
```

Tips

If you use `impoint` with an axes that contains an image object, and do not specify a drag constraint function, then users can drag the point outside the extent of the image and lose

the point. When used with an axes created by the `plot` function, the axes limits automatically expand to accommodate the movement of the point.

See Also

`imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoly` | `imrect` | `imroi` | `makeConstrainToRectFcn`

Introduced before R2006a

impoly

Create draggable, resizable polygon

Note `impoly` is not recommended. Use `drawpolygon` instead.

Description

An `impoly` object encapsulates an interactive polygon over an image.

You can add vertices and adjust the size and position of the polygon by using the mouse. The polygon also has a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior. For more information, see “Usage” on page 1-1749.

Creation

Syntax

```
h = impoly
h = impoly(hparent)
h = impoly(hparent,position)
h = impoly( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = impoly` begins interactive placement of a polygon on the current axes, and returns an `impoly` object.

`h = impoly(hparent)` begins interactive placement of a polygon on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = impoly(hparent,position)` creates a draggable, resizeable polygon with vertices at coordinates defined by `position`.

`h = impoly(____, Name, Value)` specifies name-value pairs that control the behavior of the polygon.

Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to parent object

handle

Handle to parent object, specified as a handle. The parent is typically an axes object, but can also be any other object that can be the parent of an `hggroup` object.

position — Position of polygon vertices

n-by-2 matrix

Position of polygon vertices, specified as an *n*-by-2 matrix. The two columns define the *x*- and *y*-coordinate, respectively, of each of the *n* vertices.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

PositionConstraintFcn — Position constraint function

function handle

Position constraint function, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'PositionConstraintFcn' and a function handle. `fcn` is called whenever the mouse is dragged. You can use this function to control where the polygon can be dragged. See the help for the `setPositionConstraintFcn` function for information about valid function handles.

Closed — Polygon is closed

`true` (default) | `false`

Polygon is closed, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Closed' and `true` or `false`. When set to `true` (the default), `impoly` creates a closed polygon, that is, it draws a straight line between the last vertex specified and the first vertex specified to create a closed region. When `Closed` is `false`, `impoly` does not connect the last vertex with the first vertex, creating an open polygon (or polyline).

Data Types: `logical`

Properties

Deletable — ROI can be deleted


`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be deleted, specified as `true` or `false`.

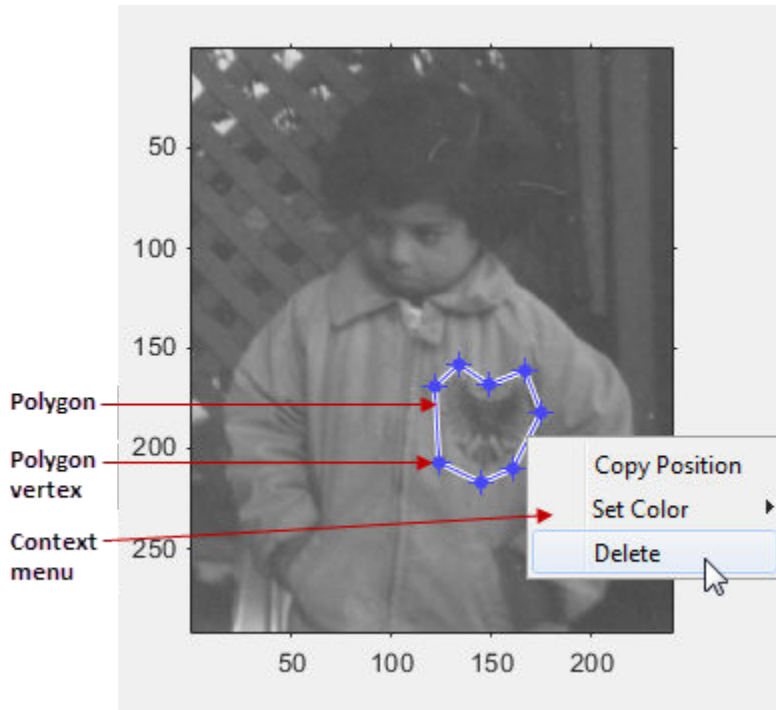
Data Types: `logical`

Usage


When you call `impoly` with an interactive syntax, the pointer changes to a cross hairs





 when over the image. Click and drag the mouse to define the vertices of the polygon and adjust the size, shape, and position of the polygon. By default, `impoly` draws a straight line connecting the last point you drew with the first point, but you can control this behavior using the `Closed` parameter.

The polygon also supports a context menu that you can use to control aspects of its appearance and behavior. The choices in the context menu vary whether you position the pointer on an edge of the polygon (or anywhere inside the region) or on one of the vertices. The figure shows the context menu when the pointer is on the polygon but not on a vertex.



The table lists the interactive behaviors supported by `impoly`.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Closing the polygon.	<p>Use any of the following mechanisms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move the pointer over the initial vertex of the polygon that you selected. The pointer changes to a circle . Click either mouse button. • Double-click the left mouse button. This action creates a vertex at the point under the mouse and draws a straight line connecting this vertex with the initial vertex. • Click the right mouse button. This action draws a line connecting the last vertex selected with the initial vertex; it does not create a new vertex.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Adding a new vertex.	Move the pointer over an edge of the polygon. Press and hold the A key. The shape of the pointer changes  . Click the left mouse button to create a new vertex at that position on the line.
Moving a vertex. (Reshaping the polygon.)	Move the pointer over a vertex. The pointer changes to a circle  . Click and drag the vertex to its new position.
Deleting a vertex.	Move the pointer over a vertex. The shape changes to a circle  . Right-click and select Delete Vertex from the vertex context menu. This action deletes the vertex and adjusts the shape of the polygon, drawing a new straight line between the two vertices that were neighbors of the deleted vertex.
Deleting the polygon	Move the pointer inside the polygon or on one of the lines that define the polygon, not on a vertex. Right-click and select Delete from the context menu. To remove this option from the context menu, set the <code>Deletable</code> property to false: <code>h = impoly(); h.Deletable = false;</code>
Moving the polygon.	Move the pointer inside the polygon. The pointer changes to a fleur shape  . Click and drag the mouse to move the polygon.
Changing the color of the polygon	Move the pointer inside the polygon. Right-click and select Set Color from the context menu.
Retrieving the coordinates of the vertices	Move the pointer inside the polygon. Right-click and select Copy Position from the context menu. <code>impoly</code> copies an n -by-2 array containing the x - and y -coordinates of each vertex to the clipboard. n is the number of vertices you specified.

Object Functions

Each `impoly` object supports a number of methods. Type `methods impoly` to see a complete list.

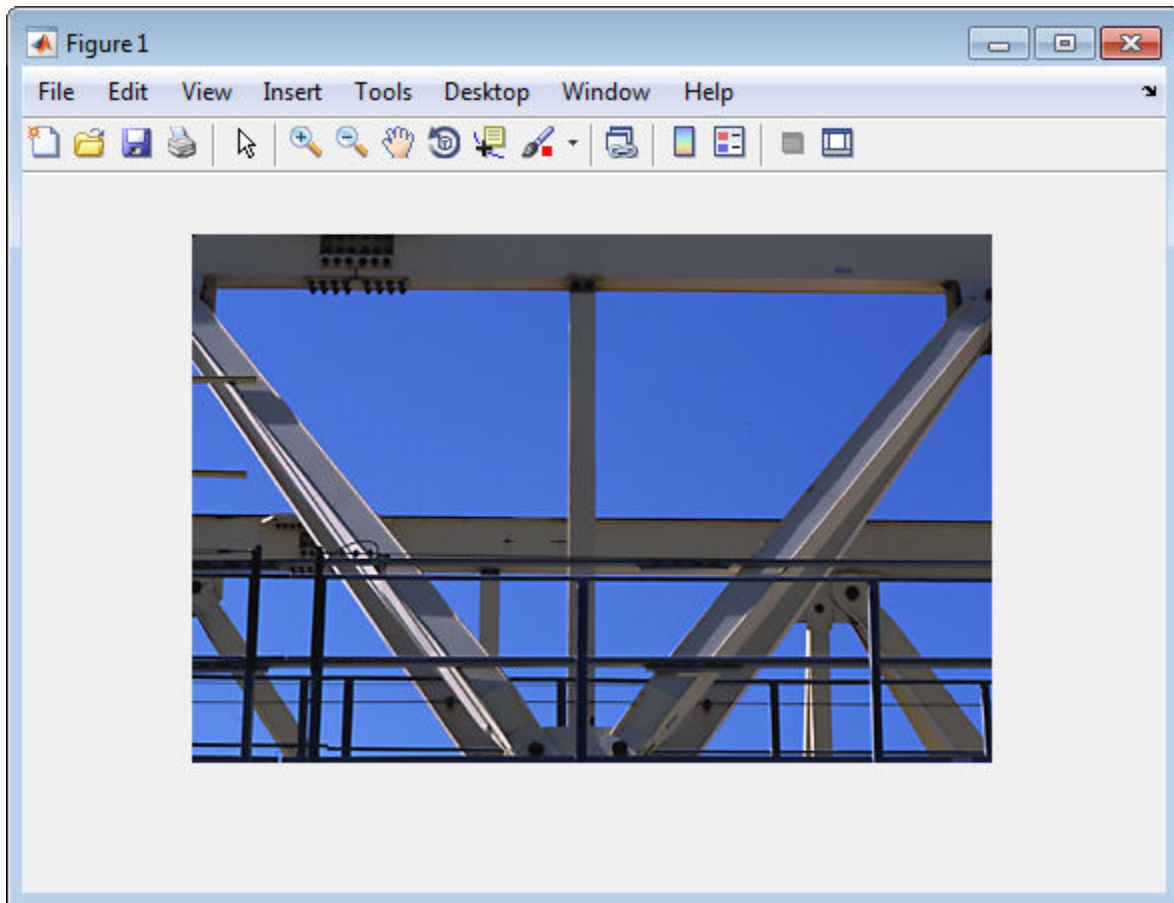
<code>addNewPositionCallback</code>	Add new-position callback to ROI object
<code>createMask</code>	Create mask within image
<code>delete</code>	Delete handle object
<code>getColor</code>	Get color used to draw ROI object
<code>getPosition</code>	Return current position of ROI object
<code>getPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Return function handle to current position constraint function
<code>removeNewPositionCallback</code>	Remove new-position callback from ROI object
<code>resume</code>	(Not recommended) Resume execution of MATLAB command line
<code>setClosed</code>	Set closure behavior of ROI object
<code>setColor</code>	Set color used to draw ROI object
<code>setConstrainedPosition</code>	Set ROI object to new position
<code>setPosition</code>	Move ROI object to new position
<code>setPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Set position constraint function of ROI object
<code>setVerticesDraggable</code>	Set vertex behavior of ROI object
<code>wait</code>	(Not recommended) Block MATLAB command line until ROI creation is finished

Examples

Draw Polygon on Image and Specify Position Constraint Function

Display an image.

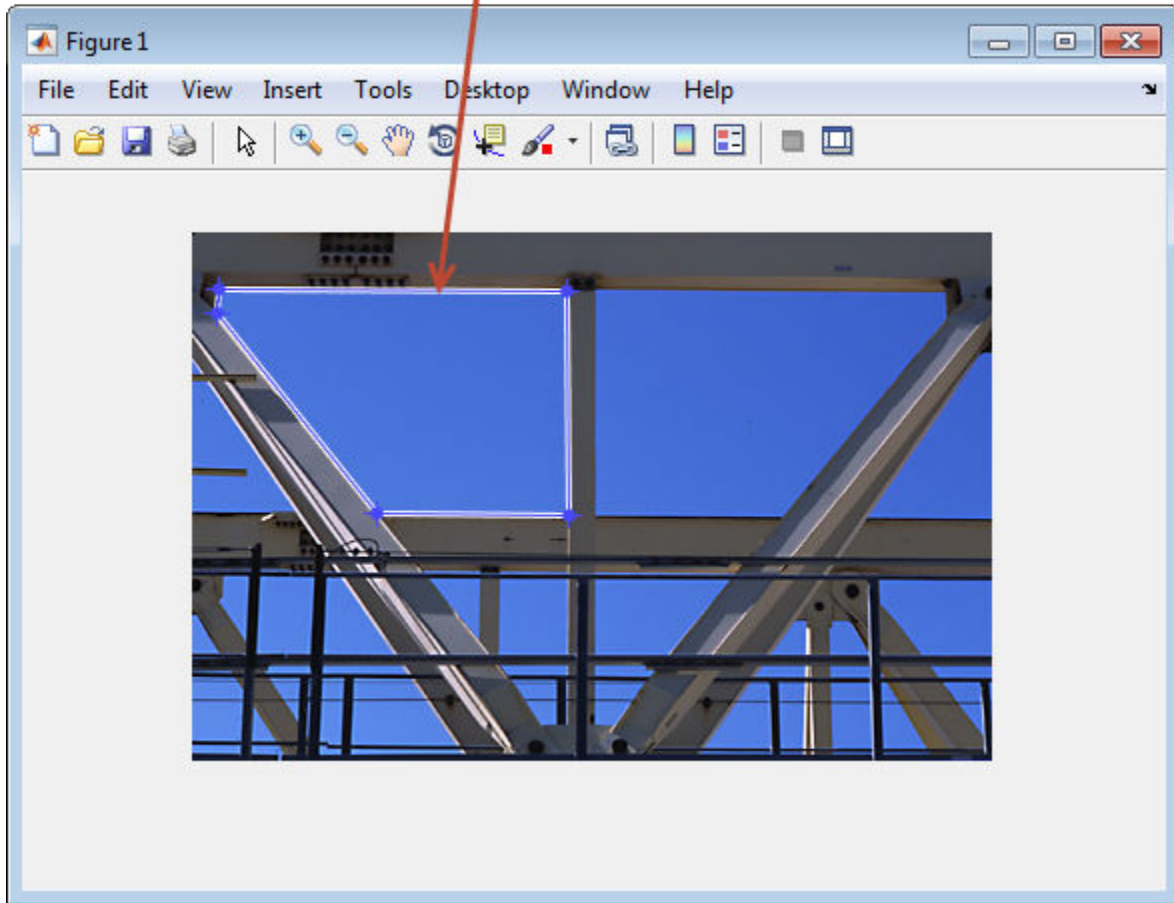
```
imshow('gantrycrane.png')
```



Draw a polygon on the image, specifying the location of five vertices.

```
h = impoly(gca,[188,30; 189,142; 93,141; 13,41; 14,29]);
```

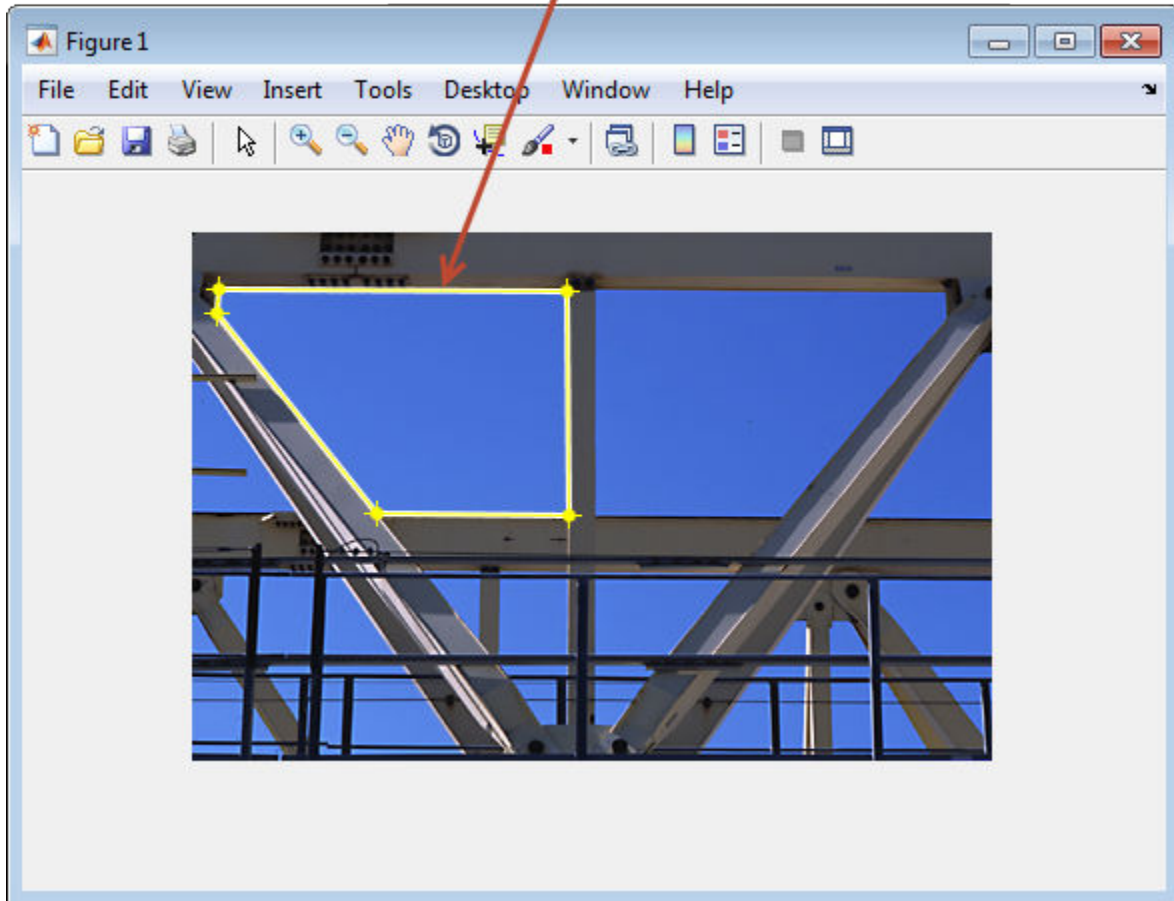
Polygon



Set the color of the polygon to yellow.

```
setColor(h, 'yellow');
```

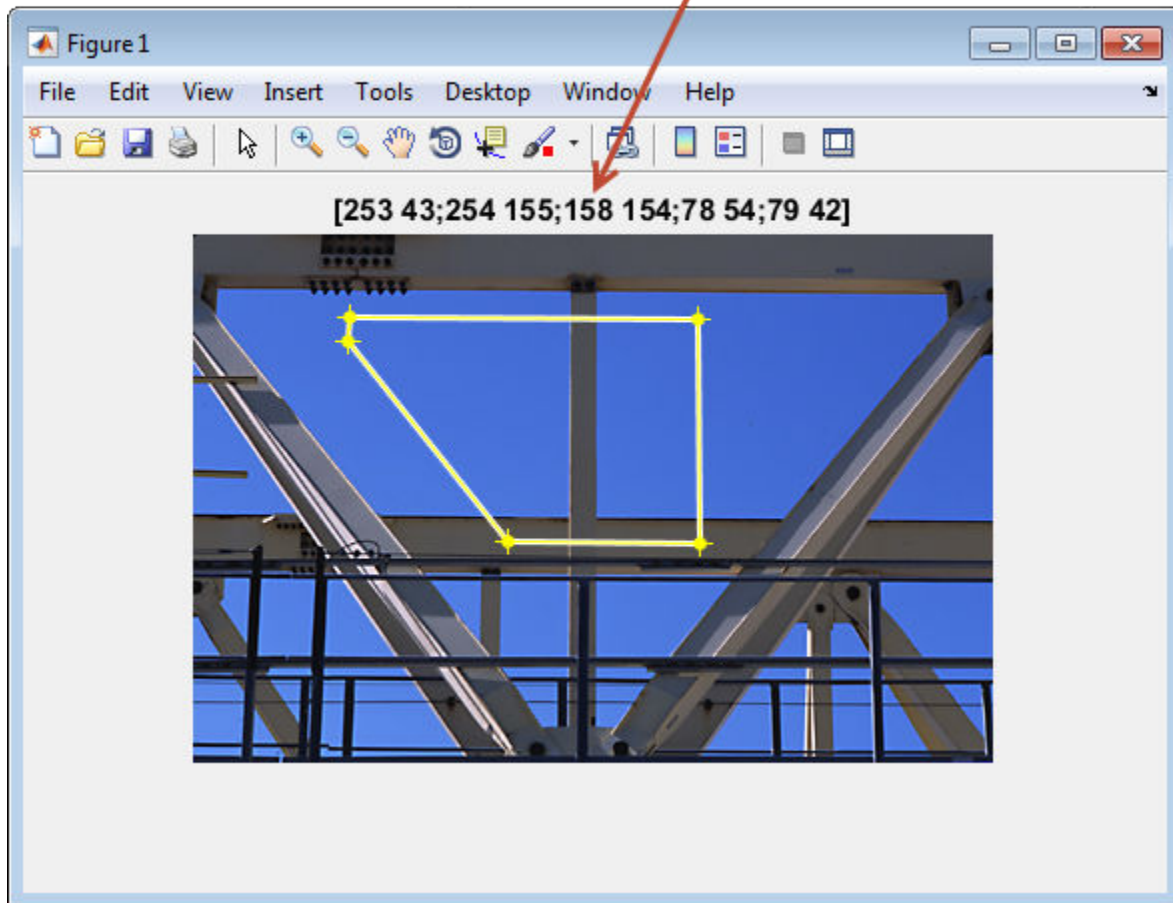

Color of polygon changed to yellow



Define a function for the new position callback. This function displays the current position of the polygon whenever it is moved.

```
addNewPositionCallback(h, @(p) title(mat2str(p,3)));
```

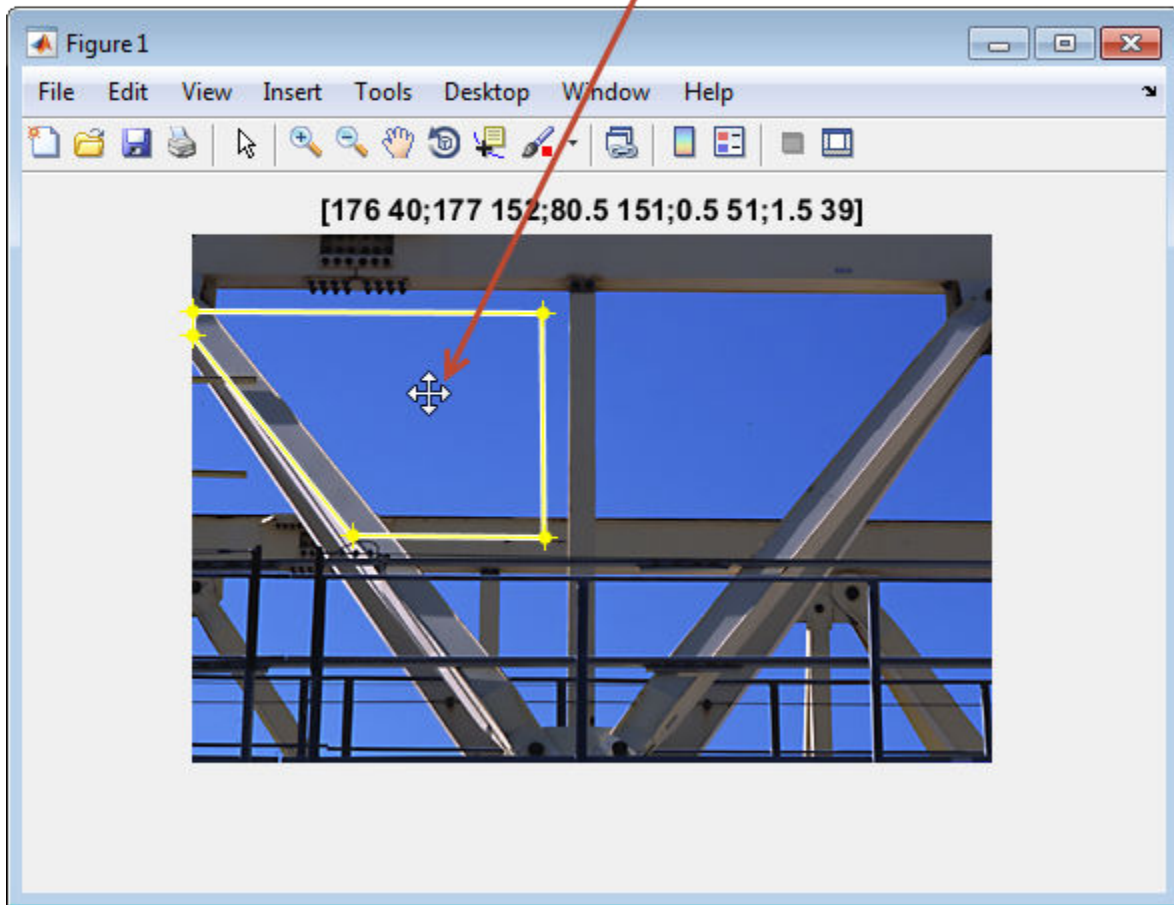
Title with current position of polygon



Create the function that constrains the movement of the polygon by using `makeConstrainToRectFcn`, specifying the boundary of the image as the limits. Enforce the boundary constraint function using `setPositionConstraintFcn`.

```
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('impoly',get(gca,'XLim'),get(gca,'YLim'));  
setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn);
```

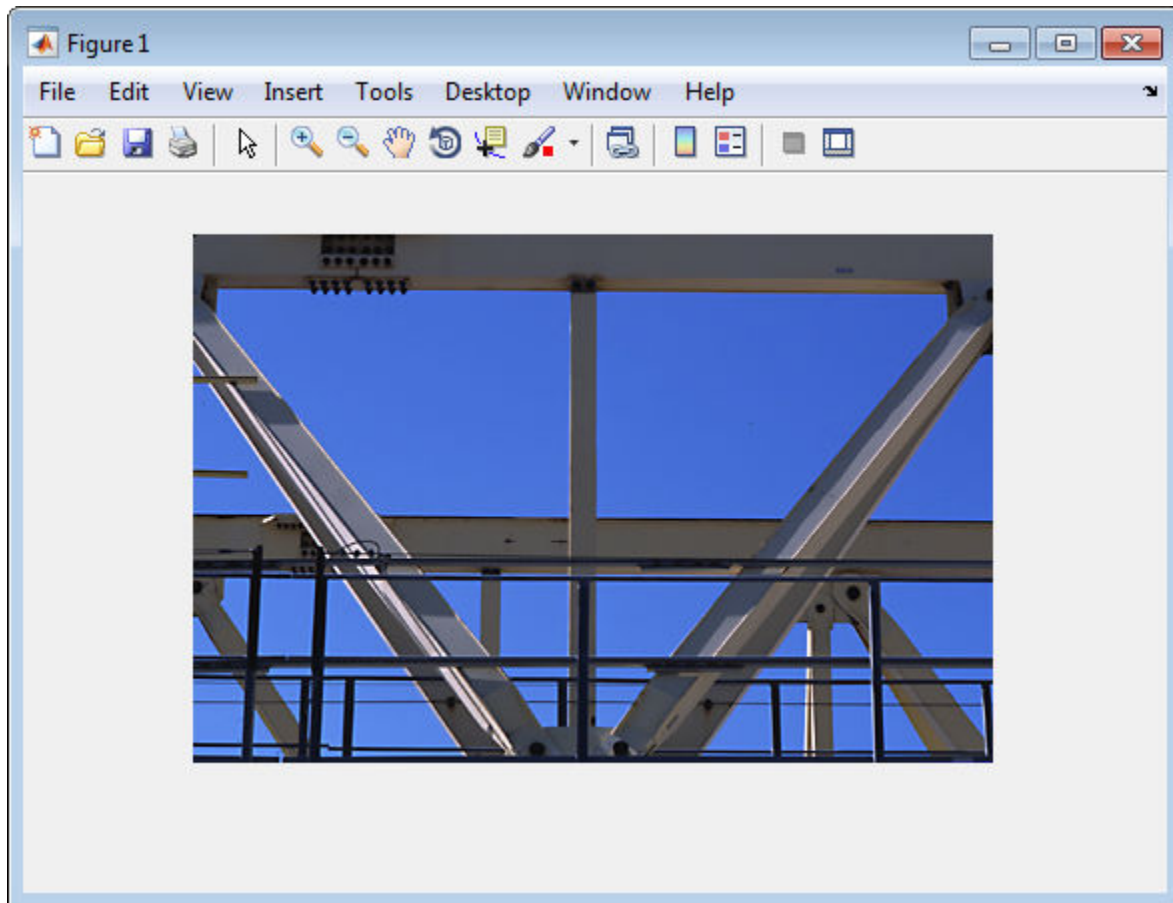
Can't move polygon past image border



Interactively Create a Polygon by Clicking to Specify Vertex Locations

Display image.

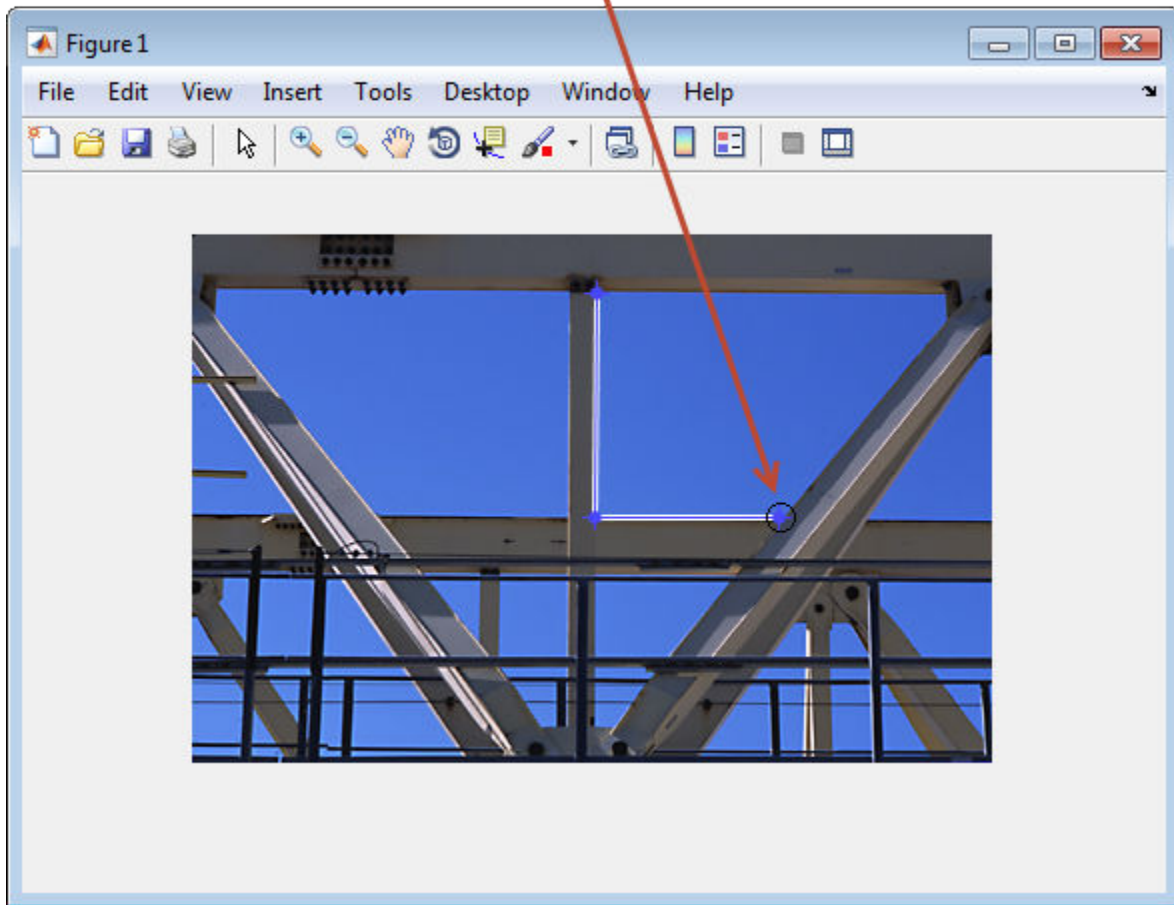
```
figure  
imshow('gantrycrane.png');
```



Create a polygon, specifying several vertices, but leave it unfinished so that you can finish it interactively. The example sets `Closed` to `false` so that the polygon is left open. When you move the cursor over one of the endpoints of the polygon, the cursor shape changes to a circle.

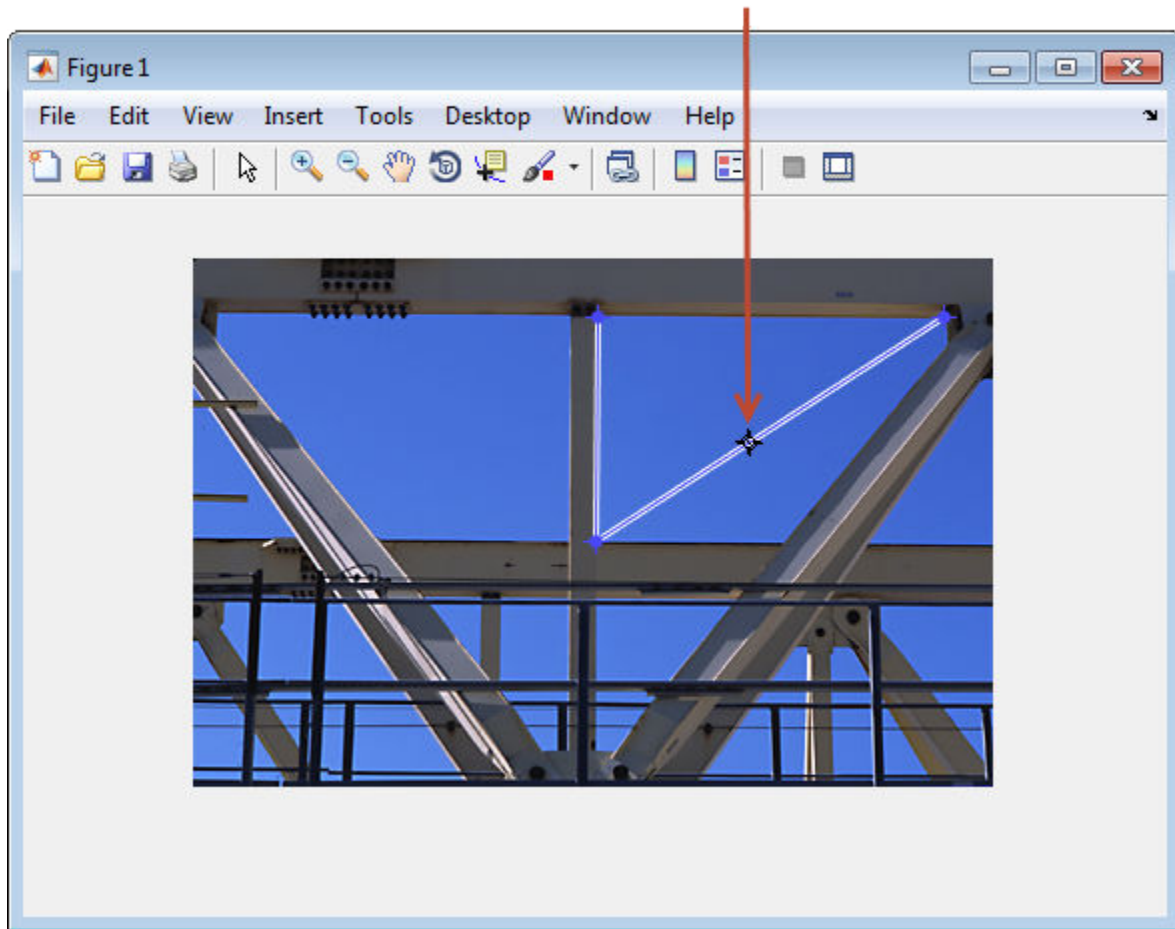
```
h = impoly(gca,[203,30; 202,142; 294,142], 'Closed', false);
```

Cursor changes to circle.



Complete the polygon. Grab one of the ends of the existing lines. Extend the line by dragging it to another corner of the shape you want to create. Then, while positioning the cursor over the line, press and hold the **A** key to add a vertex to the line. Once you create the vertex you can drag it anywhere you want to create the shape you want. Continue dragging the line and adding vertices as you want. For more information, see "Usage" on page 1-1749.

Press and hold the A key to get the add vertex cursor. Then drag the new vertex where desired.



Tips

If you use `impoly` with an axes that contains an image object, and do not specify a position constraint function, users can drag the polygon outside the extent of the image

and lose the polygon. When used with an axes created by the `plot` function, the axes limits automatically expand when the polygon is dragged outside the extent of the axes.

See Also

`imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoint` | `imrect` | `imroi` |
`makeConstrainToRectFcn`

Introduced in R2007b

improfile

Pixel-value cross-sections along line segments

Syntax

```
improfile
improfile(n)
improfile(I,xi,yi)
improfile(I,xi,yi,n)

c = improfile( __ )
[cx,cy,c] = improfile(I,xi,yi,n)
[cx,cy,c,xi,yi] = improfile(I,xi,yi,n)

[ __ ] = improfile(x,y,I,xi,yi)
[ __ ] = improfile(x,y,I,xi,yi,n)

[ __ ] = improfile( __ ,method)
```

Description

`improfile` retrieves the intensity values of pixels along a line or a multiline path in the grayscale, binary, or RGB image in the current axes and displays a plot of the intensity values. If the specified path consists of a single line segment, `improfile` creates a two-dimensional plot of intensity values versus the distance along the line segment. If the path consists of two or more line segments, `improfile` creates a three-dimensional plot of the intensity values versus their x - and y -coordinates.

With this syntax, you specify the line or path using the mouse, by clicking points in the image. Press **Backspace** or **Delete** to remove the previously selected point. To finish selecting points, adding a final point, press shift-click, right-click, or double-click. To finish selecting points without adding a final point, press **Return**.

`improfile(n)` retrieves the intensity values, where n specifies the number of points to include.

`improfile(I,xi,yi)` retrieves pixel intensity values, where `I` specifies an image, and `xi` and `yi` are equal-length vectors specifying the spatial coordinates of the endpoints of the line segments.

`improfile(I,xi,yi,n)` returns pixel intensity values, where `n` specifies the number of points to include.

`c = improfile(___)` returns the intensity values in `c`.

`[cx,cy,c] = improfile(I,xi,yi,n)` additionally returns the spatial coordinates of the pixels, `cx` and `cy`, of length `n`.

`[cx,cy,c,xi,yi] = improfile(I,xi,yi,n)` additionally returns two equal-length vectors specifying the spatial coordinates of the endpoints of the line segments, `xi` and `yi`.

`[___] = improfile(x,y,I,xi,yi)` retrieves pixel intensity values using a nondefault coordinate system where `x` and `y` specify the image `XData` and `YData`.

`[___] = improfile(x,y,I,xi,yi,n)` defines a nondefault spatial coordinate system and specifies the number of points to include, `n`.

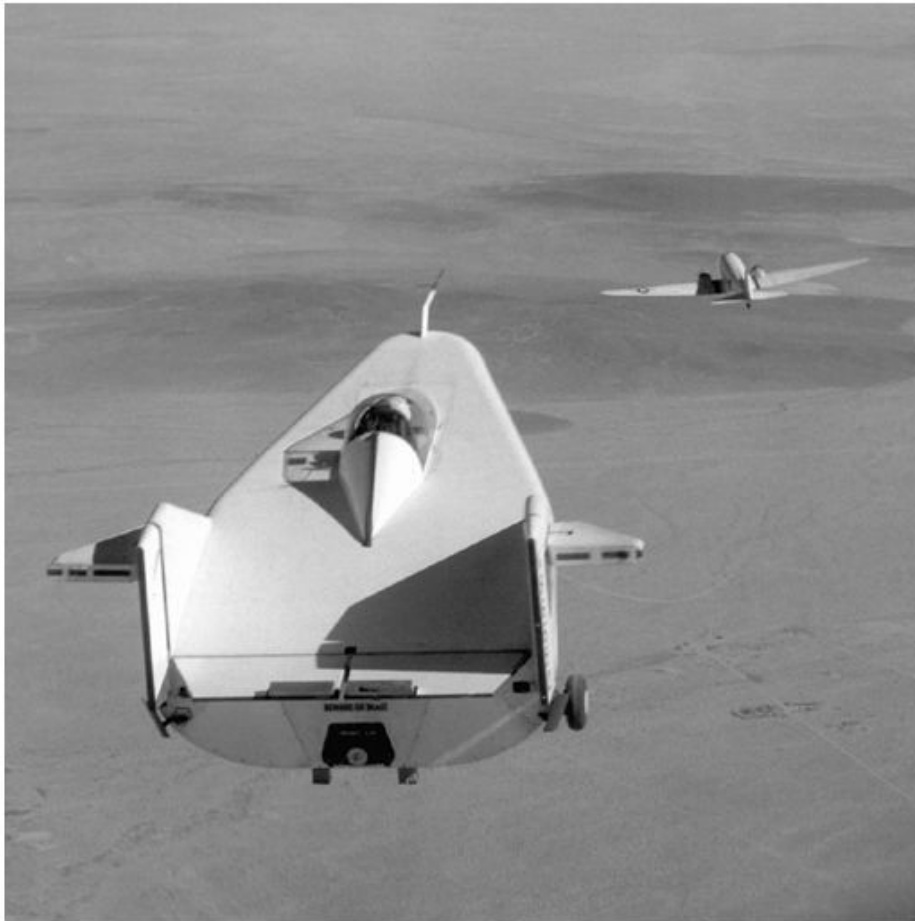
`[___] = improfile(___ ,method)` specifies the interpolation method.

Examples

Plot Multisegment Line from Image

Read an image into the workspace, and display it.

```
I = imread('liftingbody.png');  
imshow(I)
```

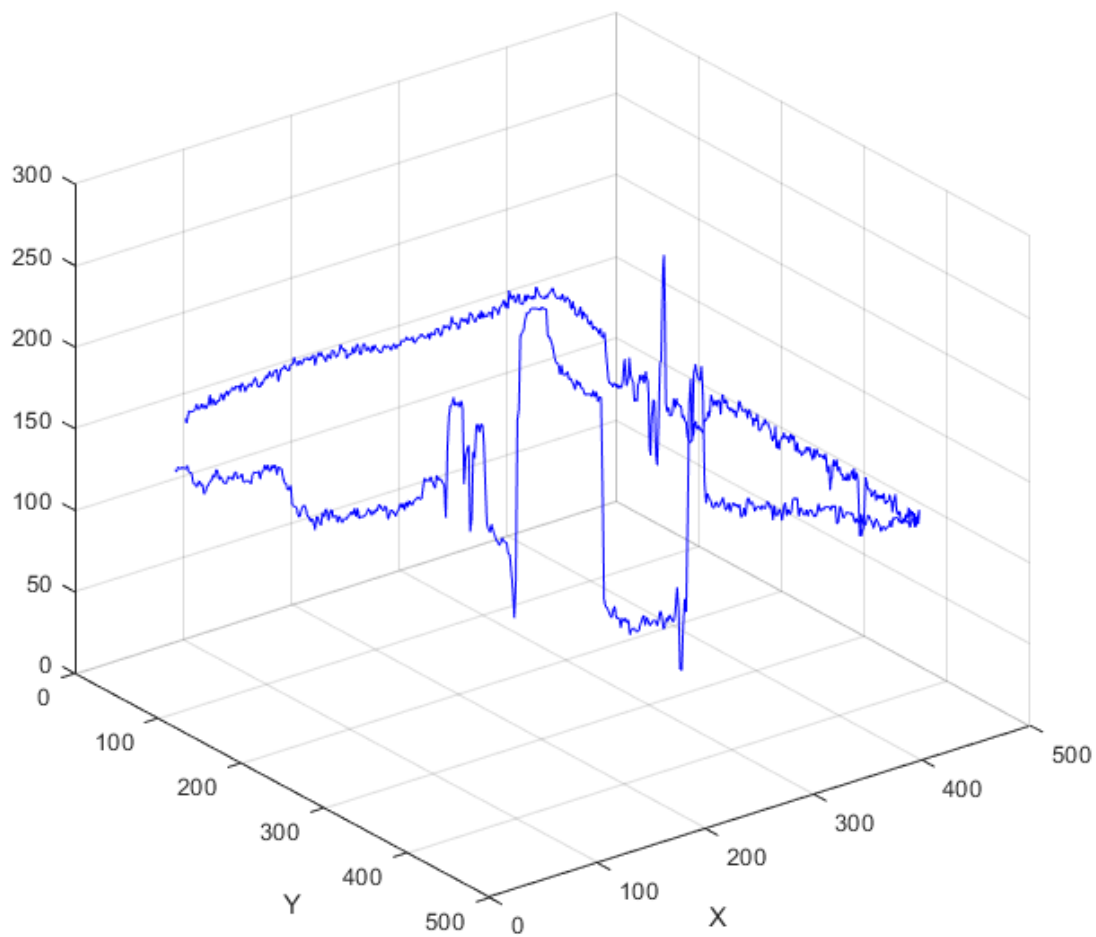


Specify x- and y-coordinates that define connected line segments.

```
x = [19 427 416 77];  
y = [96 462 37 33];
```

Display a 3-D plot of the pixel values of these line segments.

```
improfile(I,x,y),grid on;
```



Input Arguments

n — Number of points

positive integer

Number of points to include along the path, specified as a positive integer. If you do not provide this argument, `improfile` chooses a value for `n`, roughly equal to the number of pixels the path traverses.

Data Types: `double`

I — Input image

RGB image | grayscale image | binary image

Input image, specified as an RGB, grayscale, or binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

xi, yi — Spatial coordinates of the endpoints of line segments

numeric vector

Spatial coordinates of the endpoints of line segments in the `x` or `y` dimension, specified as a numeric vector. `xi` and `yi` have equal length.

Data Types: `double`

x, y — Image limits in world coordinates

2-element numeric vector

Image limits in world coordinates along the `x`- or `y`-dimension, specified as a 2-element numeric vector of the form `[min max]`. `x` and `y` specify the image `XData` and `YData`. The data type of `x` and `y` must match.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

method — Interpolation method

'nearest' (default) | 'bilinear' | 'bicubic'

Interpolation method, specified as 'nearest' for nearest-neighbor interpolation, 'bilinear', or 'bicubic'.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

c — Pixel intensity values

n-by-1 numeric vector | n-by-1-by-3 numeric array

Pixel intensity values, returned as an n-by-1 numeric vector when I is a grayscale intensity image, or an n-by-1-by-3 numeric array when I is an RGB image.

Data Types: double

cx, cy — Spatial coordinates of sampled pixels

n-by-1 numeric vector

Spatial coordinates of sampled pixels in the x or y dimension, specified as an n-by-1 numeric vector.

Data Types: double

See Also

`impixel` | `interp2`

Introduced before R2006a

imputfile

Display Save Image dialog box

Syntax

```
[filename,ext,user_canceled] = imputfile
```

Description

[filename,ext,user_canceled] = imputfile displays the **Save Image** dialog box which you can use to specify the full path and format of a file. Using the dialog box, you can navigate to folders in a file system and select a particular file or specify the name of a new file. imputfile limits the types of files displayed in the dialog box to the image file format selected in the Files of Type menu.

When you click **Save**, imputfile returns the full path to the file in filename and the file extension associated with the file format selected from the **Files of Type** menu in ext. imputfile automatically adds the file name extension (such as .jpg) to the file name.

If the user clicks **Cancel** or closes the **Save Image** dialog box, imputfile closes and returns control to MATLAB, setting user_canceled to True (1), and setting filename and ext to empty character vectors (' '); otherwise, user_canceled is False (0).

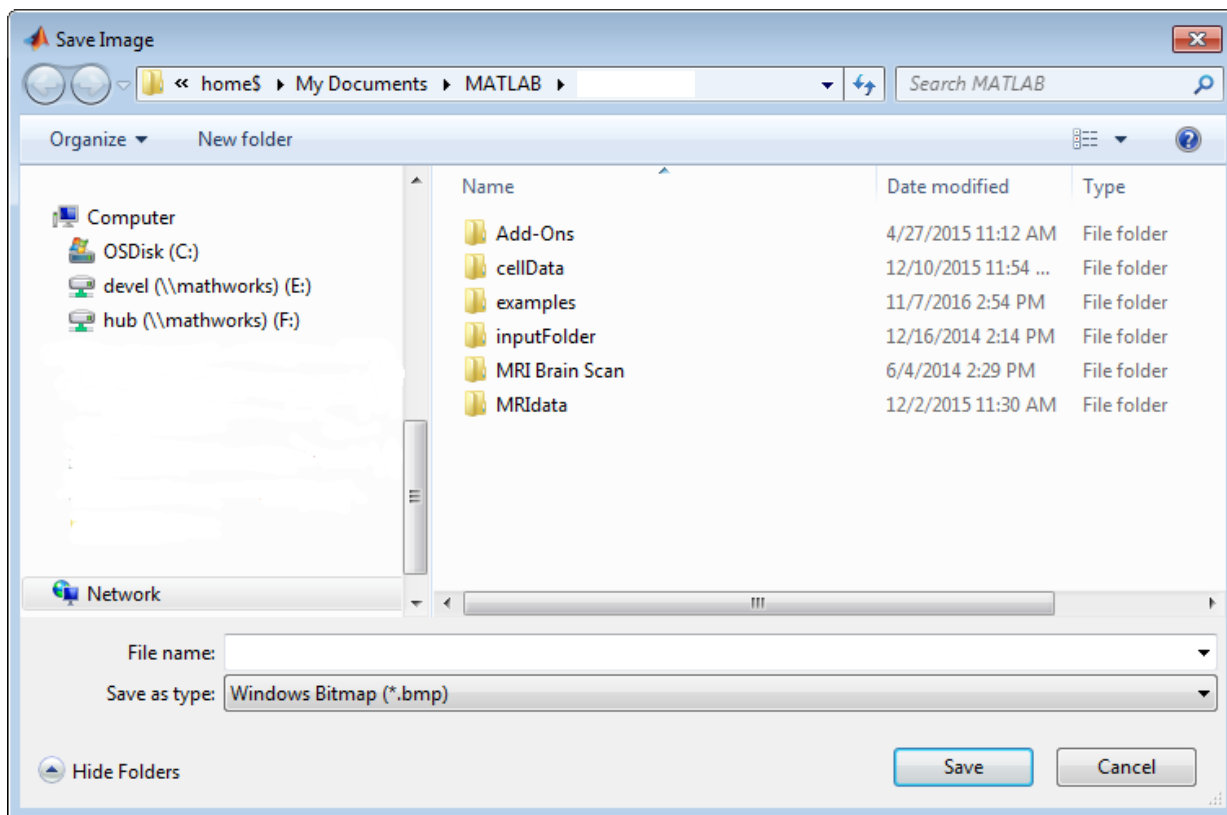
Note The **Save Image** dialog box is modal; it blocks the MATLAB command line until you click **Save** or cancel the operation.

Examples

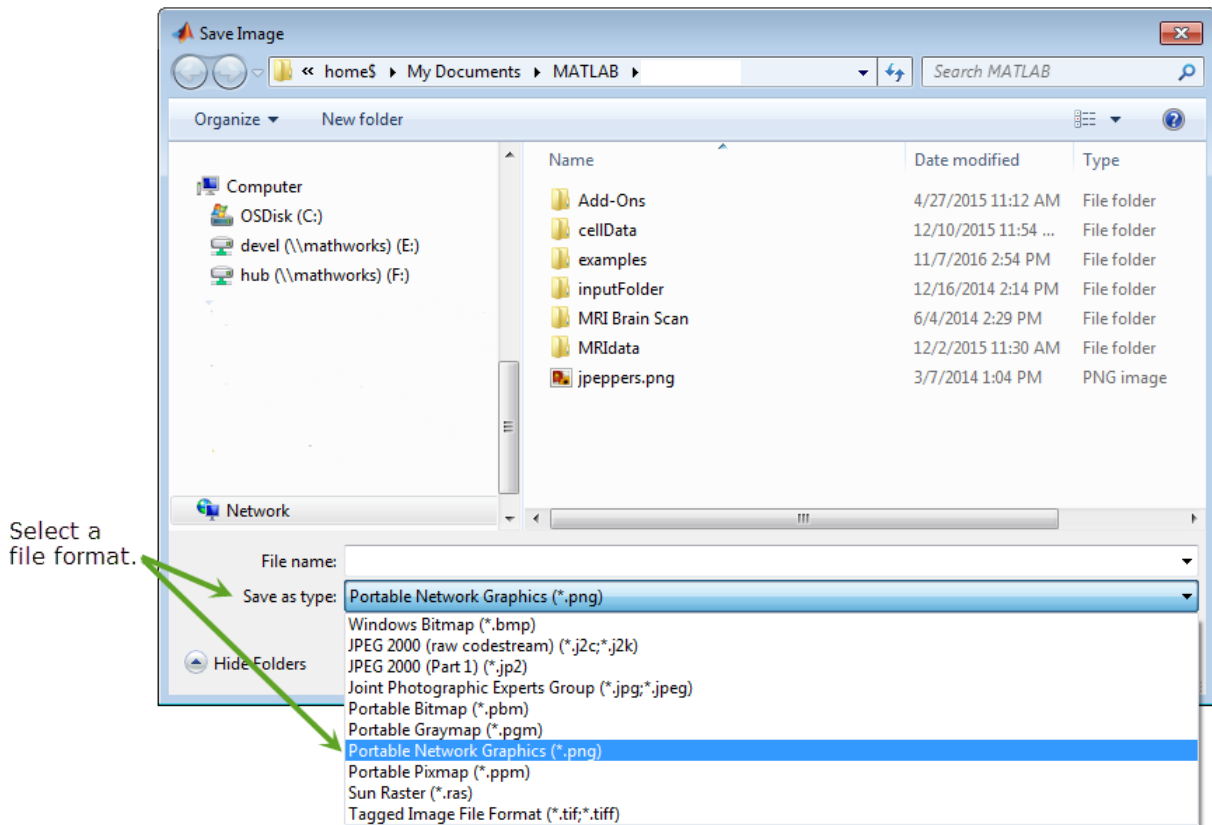
Get User-Specified File Name

Open the **Save Image** dialog box. This dialog box is modal—control in the command window is suspended until you respond to the **Save Image** dialog box.

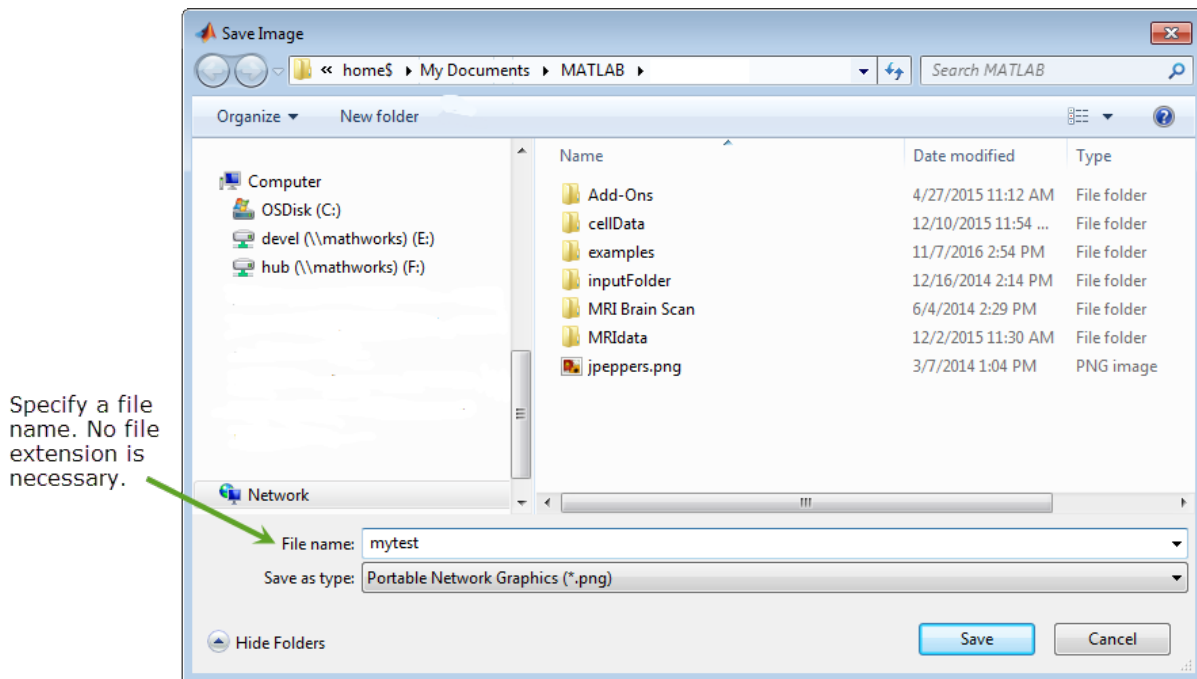
```
[fn, ext, ucancel] = imputfile
```



To view only images in Portable Network Graphics format, select the format from the **Save as type** menu.



Specify a new filename and click **Save**. `inputfile` returns the full path of the filename you specified, the file extension, and the Boolean value `false`, meaning that you didn't click **Cancel**. Note that `inputfile` automatically adds the file extension of the format you selected to the file name.



```

fn =
    1×37 char array
    '\\home$\Documents\MATLAB\mytest.png'

ext =
    1×3 char array
    'png'

ucancel =
    logical
  
```

0

Output Arguments

filename — Name of file selected

character array

Name of file selected, returned as a character array.

ext — File extension of a supported file format

character array

File extension of a supported file format, returned as a character array.

user_canceled — Flag indicating if user chose to cancel dialog

logical

Flag indicating if user chose to cancel dialog, returned as a Boolean logical value `true` or `false`.

See Also

`imformats` | `imgetfile` | `imsave` | `imtool`

Introduced in R2007b

impyramid

Image pyramid reduction and expansion

Syntax

```
B = impyramid(A,direction)
```

Description

`B = impyramid(A,direction)` computes a Gaussian pyramid reduction or expansion of `A` by one level. `direction` determines whether `impyramid` performs a reduction or an expansion.

Examples

Compute Four-level Multiresolution Pyramid of Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Perform a series of reductions. The first call reduces the original image. The other calls to `impyramid` use the previously reduced image.

```
I1 = impyramid(I, 'reduce');  
I2 = impyramid(I1, 'reduce');  
I3 = impyramid(I2, 'reduce');
```

View the original image and the reduced versions.

```
figure, imshow(I)
```



`figure, imshow(I1)`



`figure, imshow(I2)`



```
figure, imshow(I3)
```



Input Arguments

A — Image to be reduced or expanded

numeric or logical array

Image to be reduced or expanded, specified as a numeric or logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

direction — Reduction or expansion

`'reduce'` | `'expand'`

Reduction or expansion, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'reduce'	Return an image, smaller than the original image.
'expand'	Return an image that is larger than the original image.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

B — Reduced or expanded image

numeric or logical array

Reduced or expanded image, returned as a numeric or logical array, the same class as A.

Algorithms

If A is m -by- n and direction is 'reduce', the size of B is $\text{ceil}(M/2)$ -by- $\text{ceil}(N/2)$. If direction is 'expand', the size of B is $(2*M-1)$ -by- $(2*N-1)$.

Reduction and expansion take place only in the first two dimensions. For example, if A is 100-by-100-by-3 and direction is 'reduce', then B is 50-by-50-by-3.

impyramid uses the kernel specified on page 533 of the Burt and Adelson paper on page 1-1776:

$w = \left[\frac{1}{4} - \frac{a}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, a, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{4} - \frac{a}{2} \right]$, where $a = 0.375$. The parameter a is set to 0.375 so that the equivalent weighting function is close to a Gaussian shape. In addition, the weights can be readily applied using fixed-point arithmetic.

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Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `impyramid` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- `direction` must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`imresize`

Introduced in R2007b

imquantize

Quantize image using specified quantization levels and output values

Syntax

```
quant_A = imquantize(A,levels)
quant_A = imquantize( ____,values)
[quant_A,index] = imquantize( ____ )
```

Description

`quant_A = imquantize(A,levels)` quantizes image `A` using specified quantization values contained in the `N` element vector `levels`. Output image `quant_A` is the same size as `A` and contains `N + 1` discrete integer values in the range 1 to `N + 1` which are determined by the following criteria:

- If $A(k) \leq levels(1)$, then $quant_A(k) = 1$.
- If $levels(m-1) < A(k) \leq levels(m)$, then $quant_A(k) = m$.
- If $A(k) > levels(N)$, then $quant_A(k) = N + 1$.

Note that `imquantize` assigns values to the two implicitly defined end intervals:

- $A(k) \leq levels(1)$
- $A(k) > levels(N)$

`quant_A = imquantize(____,values)` adds the `N + 1` element vector `values` where $N = \text{length}(\text{levels})$. Each of the `N + 1` elements of `values` specify the quantization value for one of the `N + 1` discrete pixel values in `quant_A`.

- If $A(k) \leq levels(1)$, then $quant_A(k) = values(1)$.
- If $levels(m-1) < A(k) \leq levels(m)$, then $quant_A(k) = values(m)$.
- If $A(k) > levels(N)$, then $quant_A(k) = values(N + 1)$.

`[quant_A,index] = imquantize(____)` returns an array `index` such that:

quant_A = values(index)

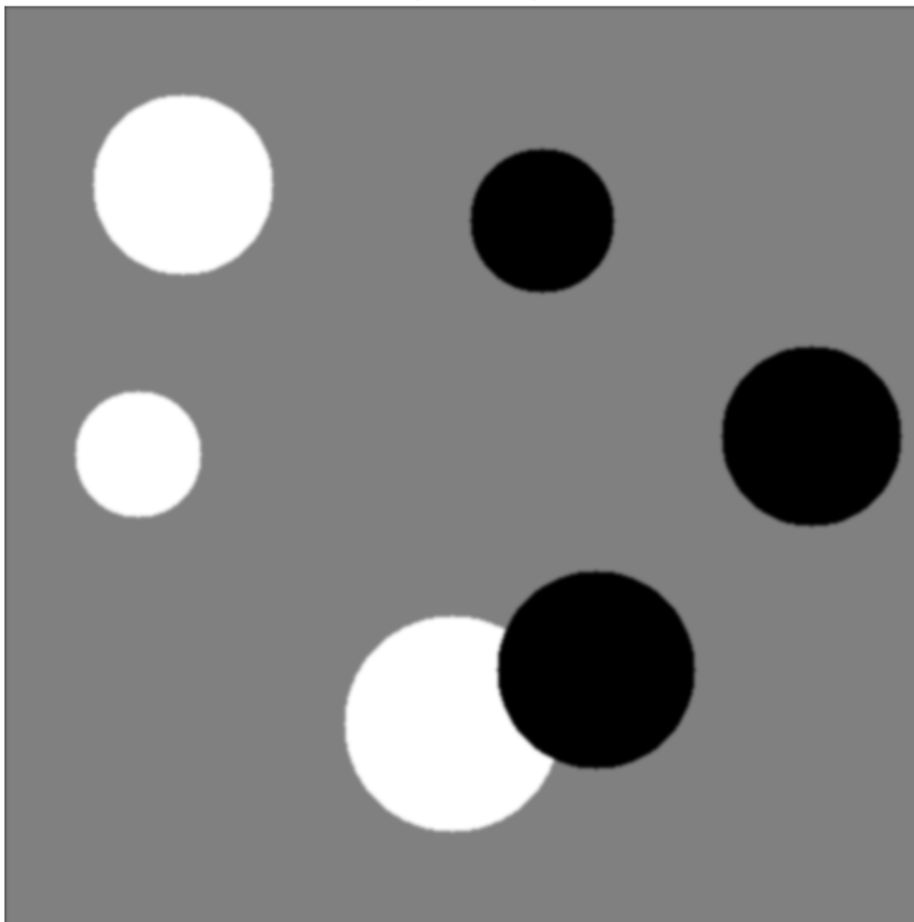
Examples

Segment Image into Three Levels Using Two Thresholds

Read image and display it.

```
I = imread('circlesBrightDark.png');  
imshow(I)  
axis off  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Calculate two threshold levels.

```
thresh = multithresh(I,2);
```

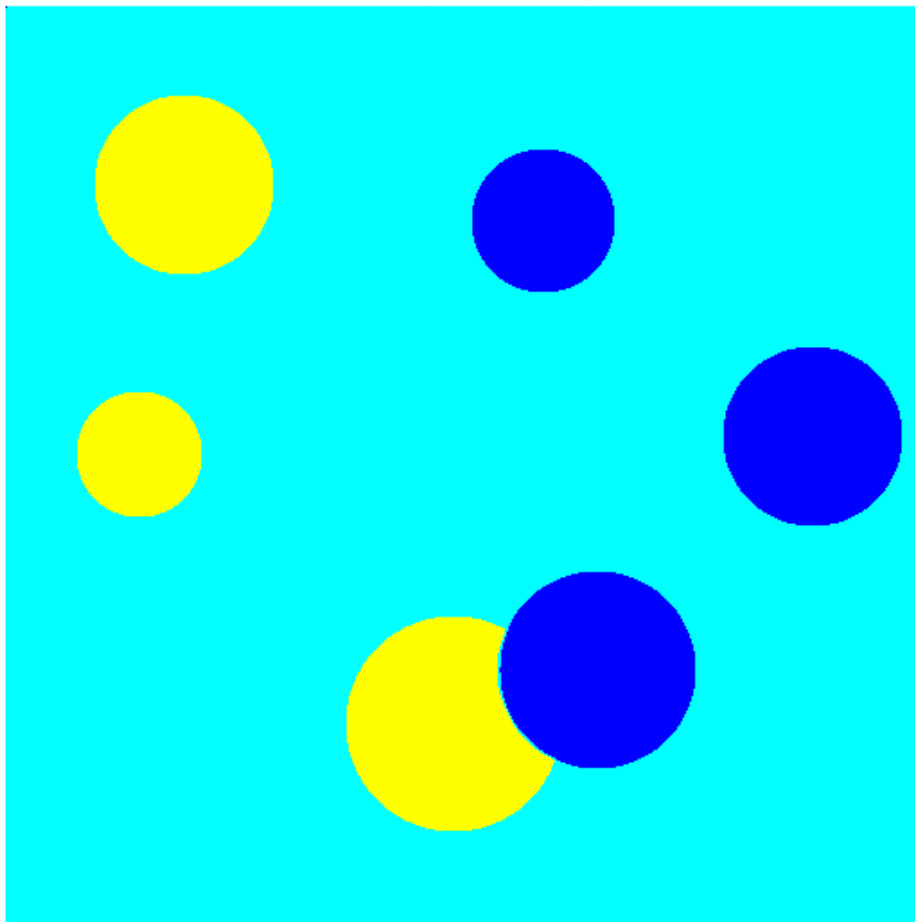
Segment the image into three levels using `imquantize`.

```
seg_I = imquantize(I,thresh);
```

Convert segmented image into color image using `label2rgb` and display it.

```
RGB = label2rgb(seg_I);  
figure;  
imshow(RGB)  
axis off  
title('RGB Segmented Image')
```

RGB Segmented Image



Compare Thresholding Entire Image Versus Plane-by-Plane Thresholding

Read truecolor (RGB) image and display it.

```
I = imread('peppers.png');  
imshow(I)  
axis off  
title('RGB Image');
```

RGB Image



Generate thresholds for seven levels from the entire RGB image.

```
threshRGB = multithresh(I,7);
```

Generate thresholds for each plane of the RGB image.

```
threshForPlanes = zeros(3,7);
```

```
for i = 1:3
```

```
    threshForPlanes(i,:) = multithresh(I(:,:,i),7);  
end
```

Process the entire image with the set of threshold values computed from entire image.

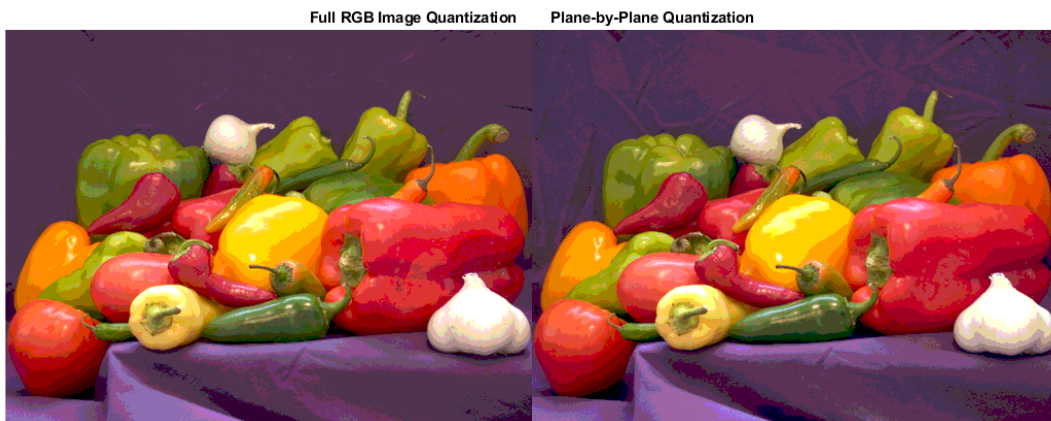
```
value = [0 threshRGB(2:end) 255];  
quantRGB = imquantize(I, threshRGB, value);
```

Process each RGB plane separately using the threshold vector computed from the given plane. Quantize each RGB plane using threshold vector generated for that plane.

```
quantPlane = zeros( size(I) );  
  
for i = 1:3  
    value = [0 threshForPlanes(i,2:end) 255];  
    quantPlane(:,:,i) = imquantize(I(:,:,i),threshForPlanes(i,:),value);  
end  
  
quantPlane = uint8(quantPlane);
```

Display both posterized images and note the visual differences in the two thresholding schemes.

```
imshowpair(quantRGB,quantPlane,'montage')  
axis off  
title('Full RGB Image Quantization           Plane-by-Plane Quantization')
```



To compare the results, calculate the number of unique RGB pixel vectors in each output image. Note that the plane-by-plane thresholding scheme yields about 23% more colors than the full RGB image scheme.

```
dim = size( quantRGB );
quantRGBmx3 = reshape(quantRGB, prod(dim(1:2)), 3);
quantPlanemx3 = reshape(quantPlane, prod(dim(1:2)), 3);

colorsRGB = unique(quantRGBmx3, 'rows' );
colorsPlane = unique(quantPlanemx3, 'rows' );

disp(['Unique colors in RGB image : ' int2str(length(colorsRGB))]);
Unique colors in RGB image : 188

disp(['Unique colors in Plane-by-Plane image : ' int2str(length(colorsPlane))]);
Unique colors in Plane-by-Plane image : 231
```

Threshold grayscale image from 256 to 8 levels

Reduce the number of discrete levels in an image from 256 to 8. This example uses two different methods for assigning values to each of the eight output levels.

Read image and display it.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
imshow(I)
axis off
title('Grayscale Image')
```

Grayscale Image

Split the image into eight levels by obtaining seven thresholds from `multithresh`.

```
thresh = multithresh(I,7);
```

Construct the `valuesMax` vector such that the maximum value in each quantization interval is assigned to the eight levels of the output image.

```
valuesMax = [thresh max(I(:))]
```

```
valuesMax = 1x8 uint8 row vector
```

```
    65    88   119   149   169   189   215   255
```

```
[quant8_I_max, index] = imquantize(I,thresh,valuesMax);
```

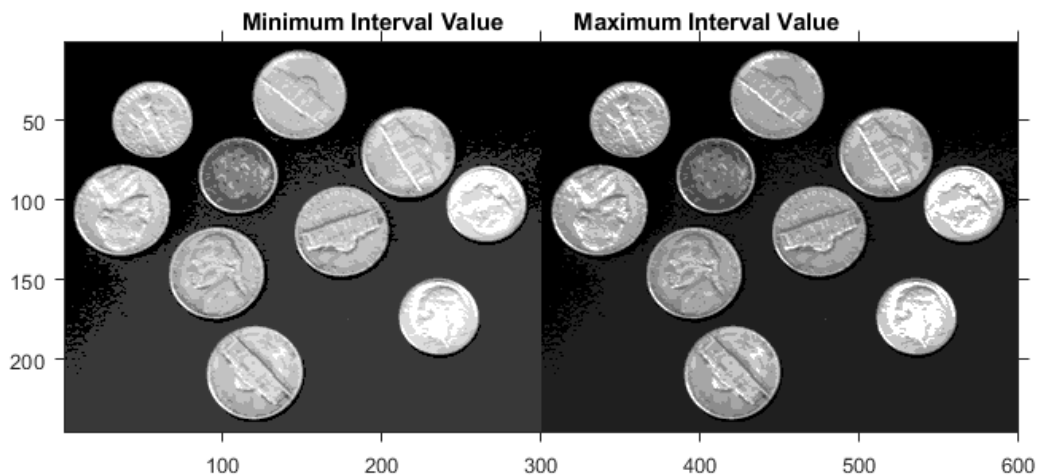
Similarly, construct the `valuesMin` vector such that the minimum value in each quantization interval is assigned to the eight levels of the output image. Instead of calling `imquantize` again with the vector `valuesMin`, use the output argument `index` to assign those values to the output image.


```
valuesMin = [min(I(:)) thresh]
valuesMin = 1x8 uint8 row vector
    23    65    88   119   149   169   189   215
```

```
quant8_I_min = valuesMin(index);
```

Display both eight-level output images side by side.

```
imshowpair(quant8_I_min,quant8_I_max,'montage')
title('Minimum Interval Value           Maximum Interval Value')
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

image

Input image, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

levels — Quantization levels

vector

Quantization levels, specified as an N element vector. Values of the discrete quantization levels must be in monotonically increasing order.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

values — Quantization values

vector

Quantization values, specified as an $N + 1$ element vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

quant_A — Quantized output image

image

Quantized output image, returned as a numeric array the same size as A . If input argument $values$ is specified, then $quant_A$ is the same data type as $values$. If $values$ is not specified, then $quant_A$ is of class `double`.

index — Mapping array

array

Mapping array, returned as an array the same size as input image A . It contains integer indices which access $values$ to construct the output image: $quant_A = values(index)$. If input argument $values$ is not defined, then $index = quant_A$.

Data Types: `double`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imquantize` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

See Also

`label2rgb` | `multithresh` | `rgb2ind`

Introduced in R2012b

imreconstruct

Morphological reconstruction

Syntax

```
J = imreconstruct(marker,mask)
J = imreconstruct(marker,mask,conn)
```

Description

`J = imreconstruct(marker,mask)` performs morphological reconstruction of the image `marker` under the image `mask`, and returns the reconstruction in `J`. The elements of `marker` must be less than or equal to the corresponding elements of `mask`. If the values in `marker` are greater than corresponding elements in `mask`, then `imreconstruct` clips the values to the `mask` level before starting the procedure.

You optionally can perform morphological reconstruction of 2-D images using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

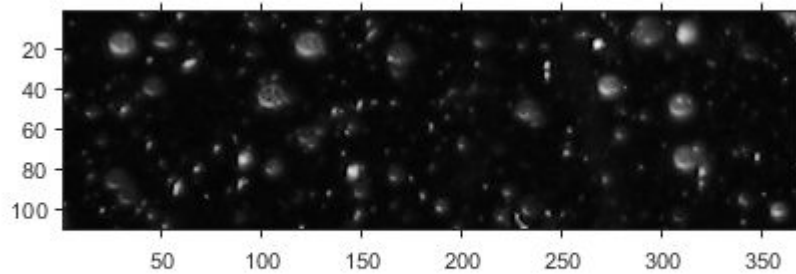
`J = imreconstruct(marker,mask,conn)` performs morphological reconstruction with the specified connectivity, `conn`.

Examples

Perform Opening-by-Reconstruction to Identify High Intensity Objects

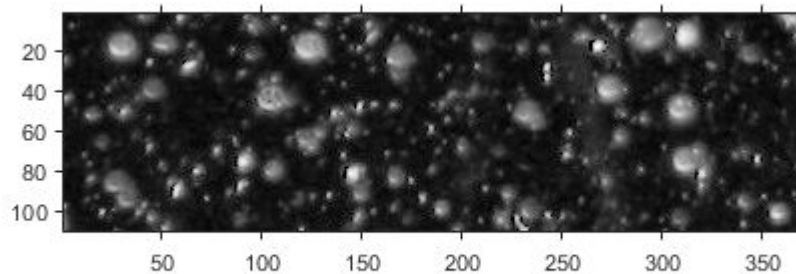
Read a grayscale image and display it.

```
I = imread('snowflakes.png');
figure
imshow(I)
```



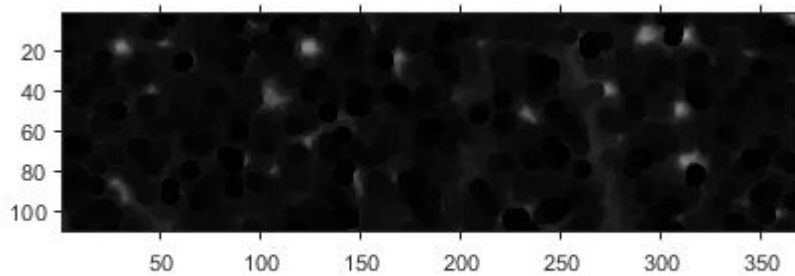
Adjust the contrast of the image to create the mask image and display results.

```
mask = adapthisteq(I);  
figure  
imshow(mask)
```



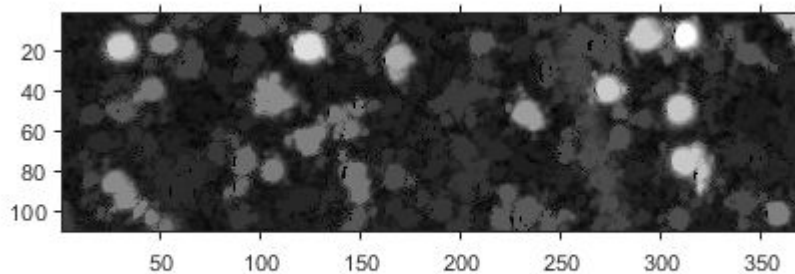
Create a marker image that identifies high-intensity objects in the image using morphological erosion and display results.

```
se = strel('disk',5);  
marker = imerode(mask,se);  
imshow(marker)
```



Perform morphological opening on the mask image, using the marker image to identify high-intensity objects in the mask. Display results.

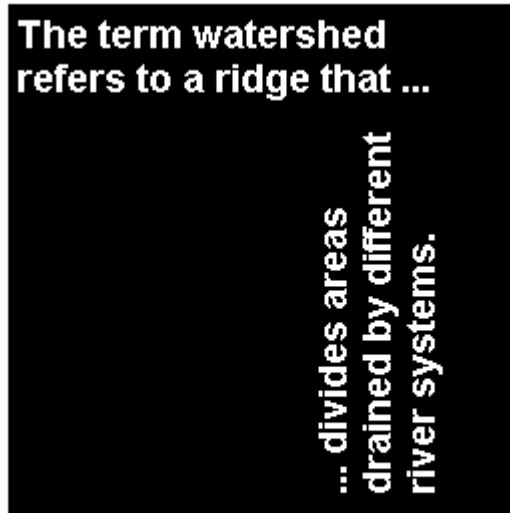
```
obr = imreconstruct(marker,mask);  
figure  
imshow(obr,[])
```



Use Reconstruction to Segment an Image

Read a logical image into workspace and display it. This is the mask image.

```
mask = imread('text.png');  
figure  
imshow(mask)
```

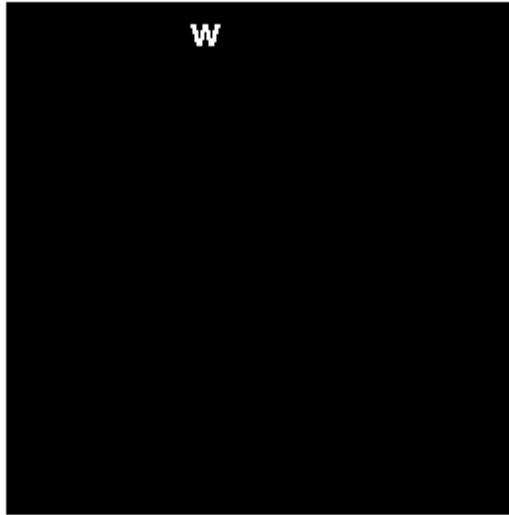


Create a marker image that identifies the object in the image you want to extract through segmentation. For this example, identify the "w" in the word "watershed".

```
marker = false(size(mask));  
marker(13,94) = true;
```

Perform segmentation of the mask image using the marker image.

```
im = imreconstruct(marker,mask);  
figure  
imshow(im)
```



Use Reconstruction to Segment an Image on a GPU

Read mask image and create `gpuArray`.

```
mask = gpuArray(imread('text.png'));  
figure, imshow(mask)
```

Create marker image `gpuArray`.

```
marker = gpuArray.false(size(mask));  
marker(13,94) = true;
```

Perform the segmentation and display the result.


```
J = imreconstruct(marker,mask);  
figure, imshow(J)
```

Input Arguments

marker — Input image

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a numeric or logical array.

To perform the morphological reconstruction using a GPU, specify `marker` as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D numeric or logical matrix. `imreconstruct` does not support RGB images and 3-D images on a GPU.

Example: `se = strel('disk',5); marker = imerode(mask,se);`

Example: `marker = gpuArray(imread('text.png'));`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

mask — Mask image

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Mask image, specified as a numeric or logical array of the same size and data type as `marker`.

To perform the morphological reconstruction using a GPU, specify `mask` as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D numeric or logical matrix. `imreconstruct` does not support RGB images and 3-D mask images on a GPU.

Example: `mask = imread('text.png');`

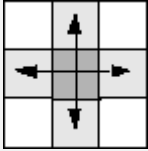
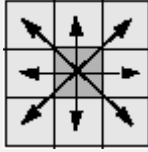
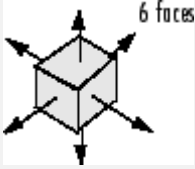
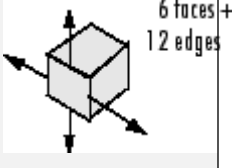
Example: `mask = gpuArray(imread('text.png'));`

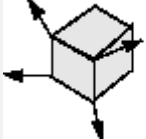
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning
Two-Dimensional Connectivities	
4-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.</p> 
8-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.</p> 
Three-Dimensional Connectivities	
6-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 
18-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `imreconstruct` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(marker), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Reconstructed image

numeric array | logical array | `gpuArray`

Reconstructed image, returned as a numeric or logical array, depending on the input image, that is the same size as the input image.

If the morphological reconstruction is performed using a GPU, then J is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical matrix.

Tips

- Morphological reconstruction is the algorithmic basis for several other Image Processing Toolbox functions, including `imclearborder`, `imextendedmax`, `imextendedmin`, `imfill`, `imhmax`, `imhmin`, and `imimposemin`.

- **Performance note:** This function may take advantage of hardware optimization for data types `logical`, `uint8`, `uint16`, `single`, and `double` to run faster. Hardware optimization requires `marker` and `mask` to be 2-D images and `conn` to be either 4 or 8.

Algorithms

`imreconstruct` uses the fast hybrid grayscale reconstruction algorithm described in [1].

References

- [1] Vincent, L., "Morphological Grayscale Reconstruction in Image Analysis: Applications and Efficient Algorithms," *IEEE Transactions on Image Processing*, Vol. 2, No. 2, April, 1993, pp. 176-201.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imreconstruct` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imreconstruct` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see "Code Generation Using a Shared Library".
- When generating code, the optional third input argument, `conn`, must be a compile-time constant, and can only take the value 4 or 8.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- Inputs must be 2-D, supporting only the 2-D connectivities (4 and 8).

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`imclearborder` | `imextendedmax` | `imextendedmin` | `imfill` | `imhmax` | `imhmin` | `imimposemin`

Topics

“Morphological Reconstruction”

Introduced before R2006a

imrect

Create draggable rectangle

Note `imrect` is not recommended. Use `drawrectangle` instead.

Description

An `imrect` object encapsulates an interactive rectangle over an image.

You can adjust the size and position of the rectangle by using the mouse. The rectangle also has a context menu that controls aspects of its appearance and behavior. For more information, see “Usage” on page 1-1802.

Creation

Syntax

```
h = imrect
h = imrect(hparent)
h = imrect(hparent,position)
h = imrect( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`h = imrect` begins interactive placement of a rectangle on the current axes, and returns an `imrect` object.

`h = imrect(hparent)` begins interactive placement of a rectangle on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = imrect(hparent,position)` creates a draggable rectangle at the position `position` on the object specified by `hparent`.

`h = imrect(____, Name, Value)` specifies name-value pairs that control the behavior of the rectangle.

Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to parent object

handle

Handle to parent object, specified as a handle. The parent is typically an axes object, but can also be any other object that can be the parent of an `hggroup` object.

position — Position of rectangle

4-element vector

Position of the rectangle, specified as a 4-element vector of the form `[xmin ymin width height]`. The initial size of the rectangle is `width`-by-`height`, and the upper-left corner of the rectangle is at the `(x,y)` coordinate `(xmin,ymin)`.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name, Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

PositionConstraintFcn — Position constraint function

function handle

Position constraint function, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'PositionConstraintFcn'` and a function handle. `fcn` is called whenever the mouse is dragged. You can use this function to control where the rectangle can be dragged. See the help for the `setPositionConstraintFcn` function for information about valid function handles.

Properties

Deletable — ROI can be deleted


`true` (default) | `false`

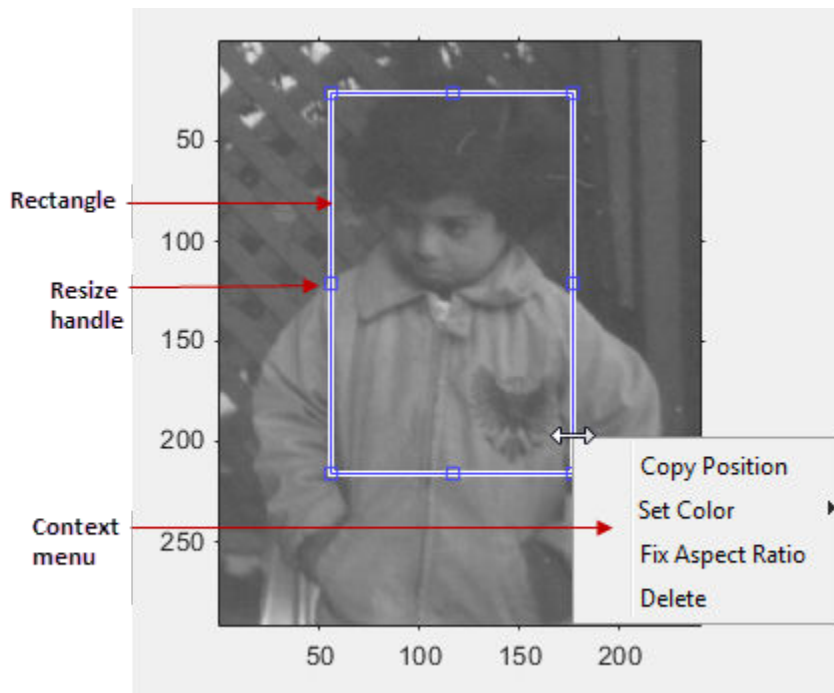
ROI can be deleted, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `logical`



Usage

When you call `imrect` with an interactive syntax, the pointer changes to a cross hairs

 when over the image. You can create the rectangle and adjust its size and position using the mouse. The rectangle also supports a context menu that you can use to control aspects of its appearance and behavior. Right-click on the rectangle to access this context menu.



The table lists the interactive behaviors supported by `imrect`.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Moving the rectangle.	Move the pointer inside the rectangle. The pointer changes to a fleur shape  . Click and drag the mouse to move the rectangle.
Resizing the rectangle.	Move the pointer over any of the edges or corners of the rectangle, the shape changes to a double-ended arrow,  . Click and drag the edge or corner using the mouse.
Changing the color of the rectangle.	Move the pointer inside the rectangle. Right-click and select Set Color from the context menu.
Retrieving the coordinates of the current position	Move the pointer inside the polygon. Right-click and select Copy Position from the context menu. <code>imrect</code> copies a four-element position vector to the clipboard.
Preserve the current aspect ratio of the rectangle during interactive resizing.	Move the pointer inside the rectangle. Right-click and select Fix Aspect Ratio from the context menu.
Deleting the rectangle	Move the pointer inside the rectangle or on an edge of the rectangle. Right-click and select Delete from the context menu. To remove this option from the context menu, set the <code>Deletable</code> property to false: <code>h = imrect();</code> <code>h.Deletable = false;</code>

When you use `setResizable` to make the rectangle non-resizable, the **Fix Aspect Ratio** context menu item is not provided.

Object Functions

Each `imrect` object supports a number of methods. Type `methods imrect` to see a complete list.

<code>addNewPositionCallback</code>	Add new-position callback to ROI object
<code>createMask</code>	Create mask within image
<code>delete</code>	Delete handle object
<code>getColor</code>	Get color used to draw ROI object
<code>getPosition</code>	Return current position of ROI object
<code>getPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Return function handle to current position constraint function

<code>removeNewPositionCallback</code>	Remove new-position callback from ROI object
<code>resume</code>	(Not recommended) Resume execution of MATLAB command line
<code>setColor</code>	Set color used to draw ROI object
<code>setConstrainedPosition</code>	Set ROI object to new position
<code>setFixedAspectRatioMode</code>	Preserve aspect ratio when resizing ROI object
<code>setPosition</code>	Move ROI object to new position
<code>setPositionConstraintFcn</code>	Set position constraint function of ROI object
<code>setResizable</code>	Set resize behavior of ROI object
<code>wait</code>	(Not recommended) Block MATLAB command line until ROI creation is finished

Examples

Update Title when Rectangle Moves

Display a rectangle ROI over an image. Display the position of the rectangle in the title. The title updates when you move the rectangle. Try dragging one side of the rectangle outside the boundary of the image.

```
imshow('cameraman.tif')  
h = imrect(gca,[10 10 100 100]);  
addNewPositionCallback(h,@(p) title(mat2str(p,3)));
```

Specify a position constraint function using `makeConstrainToRectFcn` to keep the rectangle inside the original `XLim` and `YLim` ranges of the image.

```
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('imrect',get(gca,'XLim'),get(gca,'YLim'));  
setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn);
```

Now drag the rectangle using the mouse. Observe that the rectangle can no longer extend past the image boundary.

Click and Drag to Place Rectangle

Interactively place a rectangle by clicking and dragging. Use `wait` to block the MATLAB command line. Double-click on the rectangle to resume execution of the MATLAB command line.

```
imshow('pout.tif');  
h = imrect;  
position = wait(h);
```

Tips

If you use `imrect` with an axes that contains an image object, and do not specify a position constraint function, users can drag the rectangle outside the extent of the image. When used with an axes created by the `plot` function, the axes limits automatically expand to accommodate the movement of the rectangle.

See Also

`imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imroi` | `makeConstrainToRectFcn`

Introduced before R2006a

imreducehaze

Reduce atmospheric haze

Syntax

```
[J,T,L] = imreducehaze(I)
[ ___ ] = imreducehaze(I,amount)
[ ___ ] = imreducehaze( ___,Name,Value)
```

Description

[J,T,L] = imreducehaze(I) reduces atmospheric haze in color or grayscale image I. The function returns the dehazed image J, an estimate T of the haze thickness at each pixel, and the estimated atmospheric light L.

[___] = imreducehaze(I,amount) additionally specifies the amount of haze to remove.

[___] = imreducehaze(___,Name,Value) changes the behavior of the dehazing algorithm using name-value pairs.

Examples

Reduce Haze Using Default Parameters

Read a hazy image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('foggysf1.jpg');
```

Reduce the haze and display the result next to the original image in a montage.

```
B = imreducehaze(A);
montage({A,B})
title("Hazy Image (Left) vs. Reduced Haze Image (Right)")
```

Hazy Image (Left) vs. Reduced Haze Image (Right)



Reduce Haze Using `approxdcp` Contrast Stretching

Read a hazy image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('foggysf2.jpg');
```

Reduce 90% of the haze using the `approxdcp` method.

```
B = imreducehaze(A,0.9,'method','approxdcp');
```

Display in a montage the original hazy image and the image with reduced haze.

```
montage({A,B})
```



Estimate Haze Thickness and Image Depth

Read hazy image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('foggyroad.jpg');
```

Reduce haze in the image using default parameter values.

```
[~, T] = imreducehaze(A);
```

Display the result along side the original image.

```
figure, imshowpair(A, T, 'montage')
```



The haze thickness provides a rough approximation of the depth of the scene, defined up to an unknown multiplication factor. Add `eps` to avoid $\log(0)$.

```
D = -log(1-T+eps);
```

For display purposes, scale the depth so that it is in `[0,1]`.

```
D = mat2gray(D);
```

Display the original image next to the estimated depth in false color.

```
figure
subplot(1,2,1)
imshow(A), title('Hazy image')
subplot(1,2,2)
imshow(D), title('Depth estimate')
colormap(gca, hot(256))
```

Hazy image



Depth estimate



Input Arguments

I — Hazy image

RGB image | grayscale image

Hazy image, specified as an RGB or grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

amount — Amount of haze to remove

1 (default) | number in the range [0,1]

Amount of haze to remove, specified as a number in the range [0,1]. When the value is 1, `imreducehaze` reduces the maximum amount of haze. When the value is 0, `imreducehaze` does not reduce haze and the input image is unchanged. Larger values can cause more severe color distortion.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = imreducehaze(A,0.9,'method','approxdcpr');`

Method — Technique used to reduce haze

`'simplifiedcp'` (default) | `'approxdcpr'`

Technique used to reduce haze, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Method'` and one of these values:

- `'simplifiedcp'` — Simple dark channel prior method [2]. This method uses a per-pixel dark channel to estimate haze and quadtree decomposition to estimate the atmospheric light.
- `'approxdcpr'` — Approximate dark channel prior method [1]. This method uses both per-pixel and spatial blocks when computing the dark channel and does not use quadtree decomposition.

For more information, see Algorithms on page 1-1813.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

AtmosphericLight — Maximum value to be treated as haze

1-by-3 numeric vector | numeric scalar

Maximum value to be treated as haze, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'AtmosphericLight'` and a 1-by-3 numeric vector for RGB images or a numeric scalar for grayscale images. Values must be in the range [0, 1]. Atmospheric light values greater than 0.5 tend to give better results.

If you do not specify `AtmosphericLight`, then the `imreduzehaze` function estimates a value depending on the value of `'method'`.

Data Types: `double`

ContrastEnhancement — Contrast enhancement technique

`'global'` (default) | `'boost'` | `'none'`

Contrast enhancement technique, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ContrastEnhancement'` and `'global'`, `'boost'`, or `'none'`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

BoostAmount — Amount of per-pixel gain

`0.1` (default) | number in the range `[0, 1]`

Amount of per-pixel gain to apply as postprocessing, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'BoostAmount'` and a number in the range `[0, 1]`. This argument is only supported if `ContrastEnhancement` is specified as `'boost'`.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

J — Dehazed image

numeric array

Dehazed image, returned as numeric array of the same size as the input hazy image `I`.

T — Haze thickness

numeric array

Haze thickness estimated at each pixel, returned as a numeric array.

L — Estimated atmospheric light

numeric array

Estimated atmospheric light, returned as a numeric array. `L` represents the value of the brightest nonspecular haze.

Algorithms

The model to describe a hazy image I is

$$I(x) = J(x)T(x) + L(1-T(x))$$

I is the observed intensity, J is the scene radiance, L is atmospheric light, and T is a transmission map describing the portion of light that reaches the camera.

Dehazing algorithms recover the scene radiance (dehazed image) J from an estimation of the transmission map and atmospheric light according to:

$$J(x) = (I(x) - A) / (\max(t(x), t_0)) + A$$

`imreducehaze` uses two different dehazing algorithms, `simplifiedcp` and `approxdc`. These methods both rely on a dark channel prior, which is based on the observation that unhazy images of outdoor scenes usually contain some pixels that have low signal in one or more color channels. The methods differ in how they estimate the dark channel prior and atmospheric light.

The dehazing algorithms in `imreducehaze` follow five steps:

- 1 Estimate the atmospheric light L using a dark channel prior.
- 2 Estimate the transmission map T .
- 3 Refine the estimated transmission map.
- 4 Restore the image.
- 5 Perform optional contrast enhancement.

References

- [1] He, Kaiming. "Single Image Haze Removal Using Dark Channel Prior." *Thesis, The Chinese University of Hong Kong*. 2011.
- [2] Dubok, et al. "Single Image Dehazing with Image Entropy and Information Fidelity." *ICIP*. 2014, pp. 4037-4041.

See Also

`imadjust` | `stretchlim`

Topics

“Low-Light Image Enhancement”

“Quadtree Decomposition”

Introduced in R2017b

imref2d

Reference 2-D image to world coordinates

Description

An `imref2d` object encapsulates the relationship between the intrinsic coordinates anchored to the rows and columns of a 2-D image and the spatial location of the same row and column locations in a world coordinate system.

The image is sampled regularly in the planar world-*x* and world-*y* coordinate system such that intrinsic-*x* values align with world-*x* values, and intrinsic-*y* values align with world-*y* values. The resolution in each dimension can be different.

Creation

Syntax

```
R = imref2d
R = imref2d(imageSize)
R = imref2d(imageSize,pixelExtentInWorldX,pixelExtentInWorldY)
R = imref2d(imageSize,xWorldLimits,yWorldLimits)
```

Description

`R = imref2d` creates an `imref2d` object with default property settings.

`R = imref2d(imageSize)` sets the optional `ImageSize` on page 1-0 property.

`R = imref2d(imageSize,pixelExtentInWorldX,pixelExtentInWorldY)` sets the optional `ImageSize` on page 1-0, `PixelExtentInWorldX` on page 1-0, and `PixelExtentInWorldY` on page 1-0 properties.

`R = imref2d(imageSize,xWorldLimits,yWorldLimits)` sets the optional `ImageSize` on page 1-0 , `XWorldLimits` on page 1-0 , and `YWorldLimits` on page 1-0 properties.

Properties

ImageExtentInWorldX — Span of image in the x-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar

Span of image in the x-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar. The `imref2d` object sets this value as `PixelExtentInX * ImageSize(2)`.

Data Types: double

ImageExtentInWorldY — Span of image in the y-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar

Span of image in the y-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar. The `imref2d` object sets this value as `PixelExtentInY * ImageSize(1)`.

Data Types: double

ImageSize — Number of elements in each spatial dimension

two-element positive row vector

Number of elements in each spatial dimension, specified as a two-element positive row vector. `ImageSize` is the same form as that returned by the `size` function.

Data Types: double

PixelExtentInWorldX — Size of a single pixel in the x-dimension measured in the world coordinate system

positive scalar

Size of a single pixel in the x-dimension measured in the world coordinate system, specified as a positive scalar.

Data Types: double

PixelExtentInWorldY — Size of a single pixel in the y-dimension measured in the world coordinate system

positive scalar

Size of a single pixel in the y-dimension measured in the world coordinate system, specified as a positive scalar.

Data Types: double

XWorldLimits — Limits of image in world x-dimension

two-element numeric row vector

Limits of image in world x-dimension, specified as a two-element row numeric vector [xMin xMax].

Data Types: double

YWorldLimits — Limits of image in world y-dimension

two-element numeric row vector

Limits of image in world y-dimension, specified as a two-element numeric row vector [yMin yMax].

Data Types: double

XIntrinsicLimits — Limits of image in intrinsic units in the x-dimension

two-element row vector

Limits of image in intrinsic units in the x-dimension, specified as a two-element row vector [xMin xMax]. For an m -by- n image (or an m -by- n -by- p image), XIntrinsicLimits equals [0.5, $n+0.5$].

Data Types: double

YIntrinsicLimits — Limits of image in intrinsic units in the y-dimension

two-element row vector

Limits of image in intrinsic units in the y-dimension, specified as a two-element row vector [yMin yMax]. For an m -by- n image (or an m -by- n -by- p image), YIntrinsicLimits equals [0.5, $m+0.5$].

Data Types: double

Object Functions

contains	Determine if image contains points in world coordinate system
intrinsicToWorld	Convert from intrinsic to world coordinates
sizesMatch	Determine if object and image are size-compatible
worldToIntrinsic	Convert from world to intrinsic coordinates
worldToSubscript	Convert world coordinates to row and column subscripts

Examples

Create 2-D Spatial Referencing Object Knowing Image Size and World Limits

Read a 2-D grayscale image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('pout.tif');
```

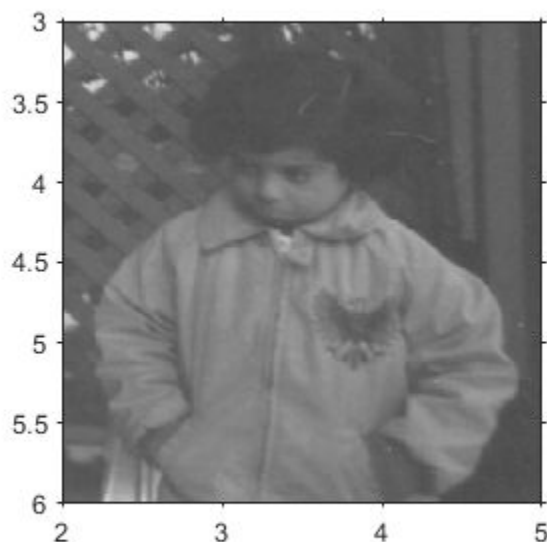
Create an `imref2d` object, specifying the size and world limits of the image associated with the object.

```
xWorldLimits = [2 5];  
yWorldLimits = [3 6];  
RA = imref2d(size(A),xWorldLimits,yWorldLimits)
```

```
RA =  
  imref2d with properties:  
  
      XWorldLimits: [2 5]  
      YWorldLimits: [3 6]  
      ImageSize: [291 240]  
PixelExtentInWorldX: 0.0125  
PixelExtentInWorldY: 0.0103  
ImageExtentInWorldX: 3  
ImageExtentInWorldY: 3  
  XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 240.5000]  
  YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 291.5000]
```

Display the image, specifying the spatial referencing object. The axes coordinates reflect the world coordinates.

```
figure  
imshow(A,RA);
```

Create 2-D Spatial Referencing Object Knowing Image Size and Resolution

Read a 2-D grayscale image into the workspace.

```
m = dicominfo('knee1.dcm');  
A = dicomread(m);
```

Create an `imref2d` object, specifying the size and the resolution of the pixels. The DICOM file contains a metadata field `PixelSpacing` that specifies the image resolution in each dimension in millimeters per pixel.

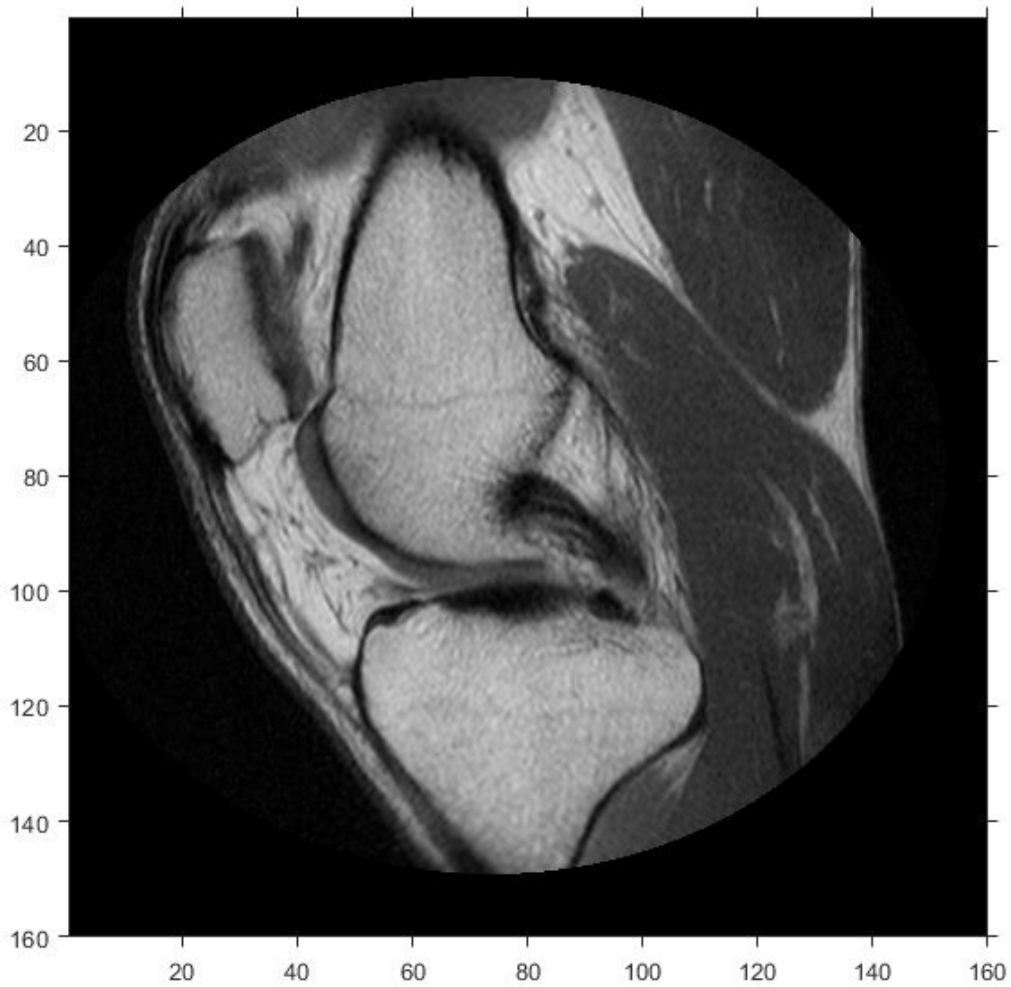
```
RA = imref2d(size(A),m.PixelSpacing(2),m.PixelSpacing(1))
```

```
RA =  
    imref2d with properties:
```

```
XWorldLimits: [0.1563 160.1563]
YWorldLimits: [0.1563 160.1563]
  ImageSize: [512 512]
PixelExtentInWorldX: 0.3125
PixelExtentInWorldY: 0.3125
ImageExtentInWorldX: 160
ImageExtentInWorldY: 160
  XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]
  YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]
```

Display the image, specifying the spatial referencing object. The axes coordinates reflect the world coordinates.

```
figure
imshow(A,RA, 'DisplayRange',[0 512])
```



Compare the width of the image in world coordinates and intrinsic coordinates. This image width in intrinsic coordinates, with units of pixels, is:

```
RA.ImageSize(1)
```

```
ans = 512
```

The image width in world coordinates, with units of millimeters, is:

```
RA.ImageExtentInWorldX
```

```
ans = 160
```

Definitions

Intrinsic Coordinate System

The intrinsic coordinate values (x,y) of the center point of any pixel are identical to the values of the column and row subscripts for that pixel. For example, the center point of the pixel in row 5, column 3 has intrinsic coordinates $x = 3.0$, $y = 5.0$.

The order of coordinate specification (3.0,5.0) is reversed in intrinsic coordinates relative to pixel subscripts (5,3). Intrinsic coordinates are defined on a continuous plane, while the subscript locations are discrete locations with integer values.

Tips

- You can create an `imref2d` object for an RGB image. If you create the object specifying the `ImageSize` on page 1-0 property as a three-element vector (such as that returned by the `size` function), only the first two elements are used to set `ImageSize`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imref2d` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

- When generating code, you can only specify singular objects—arrays of objects are not supported.

See Also

`imref3d` | `imshow` | `imwarp`

Topics

“Specify Fill Values in Geometric Transformation Output”

Introduced in R2013a

imref3d

Reference 3-D image to world coordinates

Description

An `imref3d` object encapsulates the relationship between the intrinsic coordinates anchored to the columns, rows, and planes of a 3-D image and the spatial location of the same column, row, and plane locations in a world coordinate system.

The image is sampled regularly in the planar world-*x*, world-*y*, and world-*z* coordinates of the coordinate system such that intrinsic-*x*, -*y* and -*z* values align with world-*x*, -*y*, and -*z* values, respectively. The resolution in each dimension can be different.

Creation

Syntax

```
R = imref3d
R = imref3d(imageSize)
R =
imref3d(imageSize,pixelExtentInWorldX,pixelExtentInWorldY,pixelExtentInWorldZ)
R = imref3d(imageSize,xWorldLimits,yWorldLimits,zWorldLimits)
```

Description

`R = imref3d` creates an `imref2d` object with default property settings.

`R = imref3d(imageSize)` sets the optional `ImageSize` on page 1-0 property.

`R = imref3d(imageSize,pixelExtentInWorldX,pixelExtentInWorldY,pixelExtentInWorldZ)` sets the optional `ImageSize` on page 1-0, `PixelExtentInWorldX`

on page 1-0 , PixelExtentInWorldY on page 1-0 , and PixelExtentInWorldZ on page 1-0 properties.

`R = imref3d(imageSize,xWorldLimits,yWorldLimits,zWorldLimits)` sets the optional `ImageSize` on page 1-0 , `XWorldLimits` on page 1-0 , `YWorldLimits` on page 1-0 , and `ZWorldLimits` on page 1-0 properties.

Properties

ImageExtentInWorldX — Span of image in the x-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar

Span of image in the x-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar. The `imref3d` object calculates this value as `PixelExtentInX * ImageSize(2)`.

Data Types: double

ImageExtentInWorldY — Span of image in the y-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar

Span of image in the y-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar. The `imref3d` object calculates this value as `PixelExtentInY * ImageSize(1)`.

Data Types: double

ImageExtentInWorldZ — Span of image in the z-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar

Span of image in the z-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar. The `imref3d` object calculates this value as `PixelExtentInZ * ImageSize(3)`.

Data Types: double

ImageSize — Number of elements in each spatial dimension

three-element positive row vector

Number of elements in each spatial dimension, specified as a three-element positive row vector. `ImageSize` is the same form as that returned by the `size` function.

Data Types: double

PixelExtentInWorldX — Size of a single pixel in the x-dimension measured in the world coordinate system

positive scalar

Size of a single pixel in the x-dimension measured in the world coordinate system, specified as a positive scalar.

Data Types: double

PixelExtentInWorldY — Size of a single pixel in the y-dimension measured in the world coordinate system

positive scalar

Size of a single pixel in the y-dimension measured in the world coordinate system, specified as a positive scalar.

Data Types: double

PixelExtentInWorldZ — Size of a single pixel in the z-dimension measured in the world coordinate system

positive scalar

Size of a single pixel in the z-dimension measured in the world coordinate system, specified as a positive scalar.

Data Types: double

XWorldLimits — Limits of image in world x-dimension

two-element numeric row vector

Limits of image in world x, specified as a two-element row vector, [`xMin` `xMax`].

Data Types: double

YWorldLimits — Limits of image in world y-dimension

two-element numeric row vector

Limits of image in world y, specified as a two-element row vector, [`yMin` `yMax`].

Data Types: double

ZWorldLimits — Limits of image in world z-dimension

two-element numeric row vector

Limits of image in world z , specified as a two-element row vector, $[zMin\ zMax]$.

Data Types: double

XIntrinsicLimits — Limits of image in intrinsic units in the x-dimension

two-element row vector

Limits of image in intrinsic units in the x -dimension, specified as a two-element row vector $[xMin\ xMax]$. For an m -by- n -by- p image, it equals $[0.5, n+0.5]$.

Data Types: double

YIntrinsicLimits — Limits of image in intrinsic units in the y-dimension

two-element row vector

Limits of image in intrinsic units in the y -dimension, specified as a two-element row vector $[yMin\ yMax]$. For an m -by- n -by- p image, it equals $[0.5, m+0.5]$.

Data Types: double

ZIntrinsicLimits — Limits of image in intrinsic units in the z-dimension

two-element row vector

Limits of image in intrinsic units in the z -dimension, specified as a two-element row vector $[zMin\ zMax]$. For an m -by- n -by- p image, it equals $[0.5, p+0.5]$.

Data Types: double

Object Functions

contains	Determine if image contains points in world coordinate system
intrinsicToWorld	Convert from intrinsic to world coordinates
sizesMatch	Determine if object and image are size-compatible
worldToIntrinsic	Convert from world to intrinsic coordinates
worldToSubscript	Convert world coordinates to row and column subscripts

Examples

Create `imref3d` Object Knowing Image Size and Resolution in Each Dimension

Read image.

```
m = analyze75info('brainMRI.hdr');  
A = analyze75read(m);
```

Create an `imref3d` object associated with the image, specifying the size of the pixels. The `PixelDimensions` field of the metadata of the file specifies the resolution in each dimension in millimeters/pixel.

```
RA = imref3d(size(A),m.PixelDimensions(2),m.PixelDimensions(1),m.PixelDimensions(3));
```

```
RA =
```

```
imref3d with properties:
```

```
    XWorldLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]  
    YWorldLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]  
    ZWorldLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]  
    ImageSize: [128 128 27]  
PixelExtentInWorldX: 1  
PixelExtentInWorldY: 1  
PixelExtentInWorldZ: 1  
ImageExtentInWorldX: 128  
ImageExtentInWorldY: 128  
ImageExtentInWorldZ: 27  
    XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]  
    YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]  
    ZIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]
```

Examine the extent of the image in each dimension in millimeters.

```
RA.ImageExtentInWorldX  
RA.ImageExtentInWorldY  
RA.ImageExtentInWorldZ
```

```
ans =
```

```
128
```

```
ans =
```

```
128
```

ans =

27

Definitions

Intrinsic Coordinate System

The intrinsic coordinate values (x,y,z) of the center point of any pixel are identical to the values of the column, row, and plane subscripts for that pixel. For example, the center point of the pixel in row 5, column 3, plane 4 has intrinsic coordinates $x = 3.0$, $y = 5.0$, $z = 4.0$.

The order of the coordinate specification (3.0,5.0,4.0) is reversed in intrinsic coordinates relative to pixel subscripts (5,3,4). Intrinsic coordinates are defined on a continuous plane, while the subscript locations are discrete locations with integer values.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imref3d` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, you can only specify singular objects—arrays of objects are not supported.

See Also

`imref2d` | `imregister`

Introduced in R2013a

imregionalmax

Regional maxima

Syntax

```
BW = imregionalmax(I)
BW = imregionalmax(I,conn)
```

Description

`BW = imregionalmax(I)` returns the binary image `BW` that identifies the regional maxima in grayscale image `I`. Regional minima are connected components of pixels with a constant intensity value, surrounded by pixels with a lower value.

You optionally can identify regional maxima of 2-D images using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`BW = imregionalmax(I,conn)` specifies the pixel connectivity, `conn`.

Examples

Find Regional Maxima in Simple Sample Image

Create a simple sample image with several regional maxima.

```
A = 10*ones(10,10);
A(2:4,2:4) = 22;
A(6:8,6:8) = 33;
A(2,7) = 44;
A(3,8) = 45;
A(4,9) = 44
```

```
A = 10x10
```

```
    10    10    10    10    10    10    10    10    10    10
```

```

10  22  22  22  10  10  44  10  10  10
10  22  22  22  10  10  10  45  10  10
10  22  22  22  10  10  10  10  44  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  33  33  33  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  33  33  33  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  33  33  33  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10

```

Find the regional maxima. Note that the result includes the regional maxima at (3,8).

```
regmax = imregionalmax(A)
```

```
regmax = 10x10 logical array
```

```

0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  1  1  1  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  1  1  1  0  0  0  1  0  0
0  1  1  1  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  1  1  1  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  1  1  1  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  1  1  1  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0

```

Find Regional Maxima in Simple Sample Image on a GPU

Create a 10-by-10 pixel sample image that contains two regional maxima.

```

A = 10*gpuArray(ones(10,10));
A(2:4,2:4) = 22;    % maxima 12 higher than surrounding pixels
A(6:8,6:8) = 33;    % maxima 23 higher than surrounding pixels
A(2,7) = 44;
A(3,8) = 45;        % maxima 1 higher than surrounding pixels
A(4,9) = 44

```

```
A =
```

```
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  22  22  22  10  10  44  10  10  10
10  22  22  22  10  10  10  45  10  10
10  22  22  22  10  10  10  10  44  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  33  33  33  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  33  33  33  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  33  33  33  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
```

Pass the sample image `A` to `imregionalmax`. The function returns a binary image, the same size as `A`, in which pixels with the value `1` represent the regional maxima in `A`. `imregionalmax` sets all other pixels in to `0`.

```
regmax = imregionalmax(A)
```

```
regmax =
```

```
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  1  1  1  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  1  1  1  0  0  0  1  0  0
0  1  1  1  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  1  1  1  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  1  1  1  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  1  1  1  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0
```

Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric array | gpuArray

Input array, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

To calculate regional maxima using a GPU, specify `I` as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D numeric matrix.

```
Example: I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

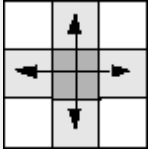
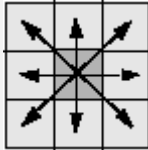
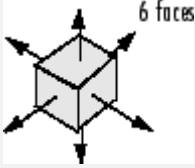
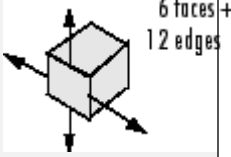
```
Example: I = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));
```

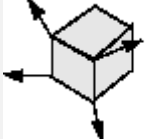
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `imregionalmax` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(I), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

BW — Locations of regional maxima

`logical array` | `gpuArray`

Locations of regional maxima, returned as a logical array of the same size as `I`. Pixels with the value 1 indicate regional maxima; all other pixels are set to 0.

If the regional maxima are computed using a GPU, then `BW` is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a logical matrix of the same size as `I`.

Data Types: `logical`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imregionalmax` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `imregionalmax` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the optional second input argument, `conn`, must be a compile-time constant.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- Inputs must be 2-D, supporting only the 2-D connectivities (4 and 8).

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`conndef` | `imextendedmax` | `imhmax` | `imreconstruct` | `imregionalmin`

Introduced before R2006a

imregionalmin

Regional minima

Syntax

```
BW = imregionalmin(I)
BW = imregionalmin(I,conn)
```

Description

`BW = imregionalmin(I)` returns the binary image `BW` that identifies the regional minima in grayscale image `I`. Regional minima are connected components of pixels with a constant intensity value, surrounded by pixels with a lower value.

You optionally can identify regional minima of 2-D images using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`BW = imregionalmin(I,conn)` specifies the desired connectivity, `conn`.

Examples

Find Regional Minima in Simple Sample Image

Create a simple sample array with several regional minima.

```
A = 10*ones(10,10);
A(2:4,2:4) = 3;
A(6:8,6:8) = 8
```

```
A = 10×10
```

```
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   3   3   3  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   3   3   3  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   3   3   3  10  10  10  10  10  10
```

```

10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  8   8   8   10  10
10  10  10  10  10  8   8   8   10  10
10  10  10  10  10  8   8   8   10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10

```

Calculate the regional minima. The function returns a binary image, the same size as the input image, in which pixels with the value 1 represent the regional minima. `imregionalmin` sets all other pixels in to 0.

```
regmin = imregionalmin(A)
```

```
regmin = 10x10 logical array
```

```

0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   1   1   1   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   1   1   1   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   1   1   1   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0

```

Find Regional Minima in Simple Sample Image on a GPU

Create a 10-by-10 pixel sample image that contains two regional minima.

```

A = 10*gpuArray(ones(10,10));
A(2:4,2:4) = 3;           % minima 3 lower than surround
A(6:8,6:8) = 8           % minima 8 lower than surround
A(6:8,6:8) = 7;

```

```
A =
```

```

10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   3   3   3  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   3   3   3  10  10  10  10  10  10
10   3   3   3  10  10  10  10  10  10

```

```
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  8   8   8   10  10
10  10  10  10  10  8   8   8   10  10
10  10  10  10  10  8   8   8   10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10  10
```

Pass the sample image `A` to `imregionalmin`. The function returns a binary image, the same size as `A`, in which pixels with the value `1` represent the regional minima in `A`. `imregionalmin` sets all other pixels in to `0`.

```
regmin = imregionalmin(A)
```

```
regmin =
```

```
0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   1   1   1   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   1   1   1   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   1   1   1   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
```

Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric array | gpuArray

Input array, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

To calculate regional minima using a GPU, specify `I` as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D numeric matrix.

```
Example: I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

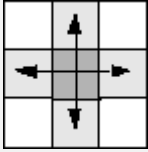
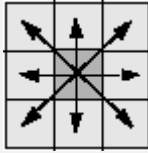
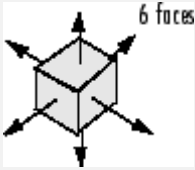
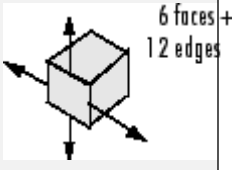
```
Example: I = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));
```

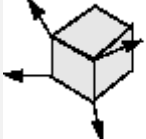
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

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Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

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Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

BW — Locations of regional minima

`logical array` | `gpuArray`

Locations of regional minima, returned as a logical array of the same size as `I`. Pixels with the value 1 indicate regional maxima; all other pixels are set to 0.

If the regional minima are computed using a GPU, then `BW` is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a logical matrix of the same size as `I`.

Data Types: `logical`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imregionalmin` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imregionalmin` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the optional second input argument, `conn`, must be a compile-time constant.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- Inputs must be 2-D, supporting only the 2-D connectivities (4 and 8).

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`conndef` | `imextendedmin` | `imhmin` | `imimposemin` | `imreconstruct` | `imregionalmax`

Introduced before R2006a

imregconfig

Configurations for intensity-based registration

Syntax

```
[optimizer,metric] = imregconfig(modality)
```

Description

`[optimizer,metric] = imregconfig(modality)` creates `optimizer` and `metric` configurations that you pass to `imregister` to perform intensity-based image registration, where `modality` specifies the image capture modality. `imregconfig` returns `optimizer` and `metric` with default settings to provide a basic registration configuration.

Examples

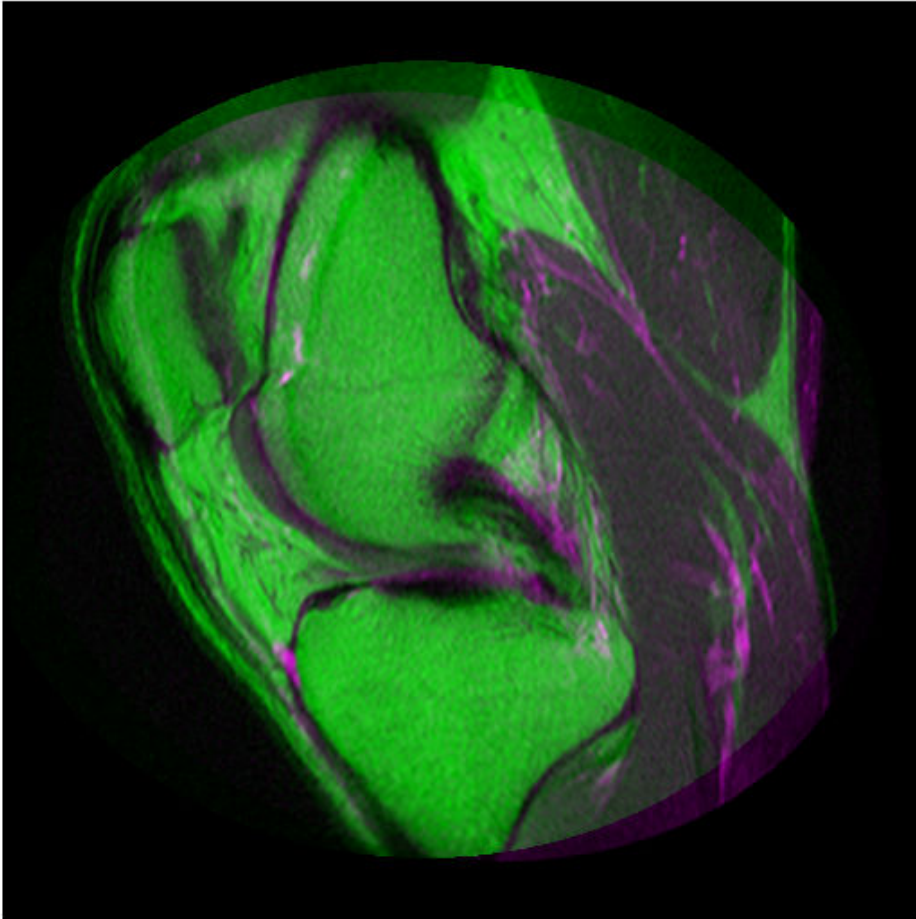
Register Multimodal MRI Images with Optimizer

Read two images. This example uses two magnetic resonance (MRI) images of a knee. The fixed image is a spin echo image, while the moving image is a spin echo image with inversion recovery. The two sagittal slices were acquired at the same time but are slightly out of alignment.

```
fixed = dicomread('knee1.dcm');  
moving = dicomread('knee2.dcm');
```

View the misaligned images.

```
imshowpair(fixed, moving, 'Scaling', 'joint')
```

Create the optimizer and metric, setting the modality to 'multimodal' since the images come from different sensors.

```
[optimizer, metric] = imregconfig('multimodal')
```

```
optimizer =
    registration.optimizer.OnePlusOneEvolutionary

    Properties:
        GrowthFactor: 1.050000e+00
        Epsilon: 1.500000e-06
        InitialRadius: 6.250000e-03
        MaximumIterations: 100

metric =
    registration.metric.MattesMutualInformation

    Properties:
        NumberOfSpatialSamples: 500
        NumberOfHistogramBins: 50
        UseAllPixels: 1
```

Tune the properties of the optimizer to get the problem to converge on a global maxima and to allow for more iterations.

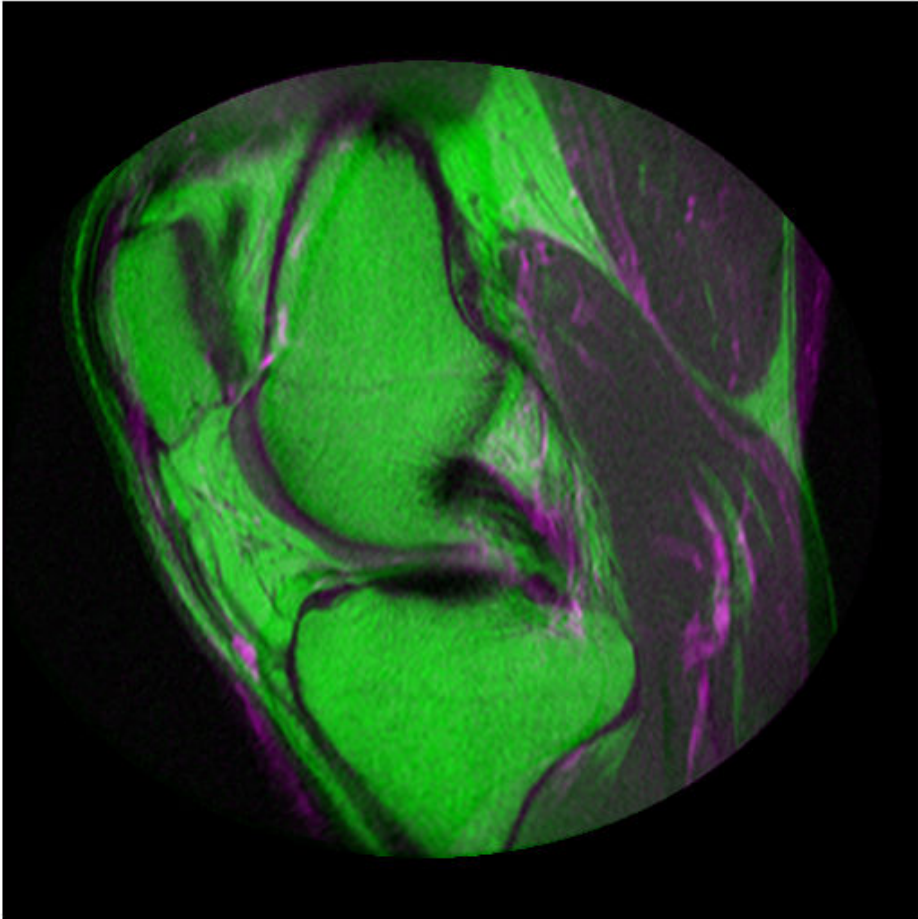
```
optimizer.InitialRadius = 0.009;
optimizer.Epsilon = 1.5e-4;
optimizer.GrowthFactor = 1.01;
optimizer.MaximumIterations = 300;
```

Perform the registration.

```
movingRegistered = imregister(moving, fixed, 'affine', optimizer, metric);
```

View the registered images.

```
figure
imshowpair(fixed, movingRegistered, 'Scaling', 'joint')
```



Input Arguments

modality — Image capture modality

'monomodal' | 'multimodal'

Image capture modality describes how your images have been captured, specified as either 'monomodal' on page 1-1846 (with similar brightness and contrast) or 'multimodal' on page 1-1846 (with different brightness or contrast).

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

optimizer — Optimization configuration

RegularStepGradientDescent or OnePlusOneEvolutionary optimizer object

Optimization configuration, returned as a RegularStepGradientDescent or OnePlusOneEvolutionary optimizer object.

metric — Metric configuration

MeanSquares or MattesMutualInformation metric object

Metric configuration describes the image similarity metric to be optimized during registration, returned as a MeanSquares or MattesMutualInformation metric object.

Definitions

Monomodal

Monomodal images have similar brightness and contrast. The images are captured on the same type of scanner or sensor.

Multimodal

Multimodal images have different brightness and contrast. The images can come from two different types of devices, such as two camera models or two types of medical imaging modalities (like CT and MRI). The images can also come from a single device,

such as a camera using different exposure settings, or an MRI scanner using different imaging sequences.

Tips

- If you adjust the optimizer or metric parameters, the registration results can improve. For example, if you increase the number of iterations in the optimizer, reduce the optimizer step size, or change the number of samples in a stochastic metric, the registration improves to a point, at the expense of performance.

See Also

Apps

Registration Estimator

Functions

`imregister` | `imshowpair`

Objects

`MattesMutualInformation` | `MeanSquares` | `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` | `RegularStepGradientDescent`

Topics

“Create an Optimizer and Metric for Intensity-Based Image Registration”

“Intensity-Based Automatic Image Registration”

Introduced in R2012a

imregcorr

Estimate geometric transformation that aligns two 2-D images using phase correlation

Syntax

```
tform = imregcorr(moving, fixed)
tform = imregcorr(moving, fixed, transformtype)
tform = imregcorr(moving, Rmoving, fixed, Rfixed, ___ )
tform = imregcorr( ___, Name, Value, ___ )
```

Description

`tform = imregcorr(moving, fixed)` estimates the geometric transformation that aligns an image, `moving`, with a reference image, `fixed`. The function returns a geometric transformation object, `tform`, that maps pixels in `moving` to pixels in `fixed`.

`tform = imregcorr(moving, fixed, transformtype)` estimates the geometric transformation, where `transformtype` is a string scalar or character vector that specifies the type of transformation.

`tform = imregcorr(moving, Rmoving, fixed, Rfixed, ___)` estimates the geometric transformation that aligns an image, `moving`, with a reference image, `fixed`. `Rmoving` and `Rfixed` are spatial referencing objects that contain spatial information about the `moving` and `fixed` images, respectively. The transformation object returned, `tform`, defines the point mapping in the world coordinate system.

`tform = imregcorr(___, Name, Value, ___)` registers the moving image to the fixed image using name-value pairs to control various aspects of the registration algorithm.

Examples

Register Images Using Phase Correlation

Read a reference image into the workspace.

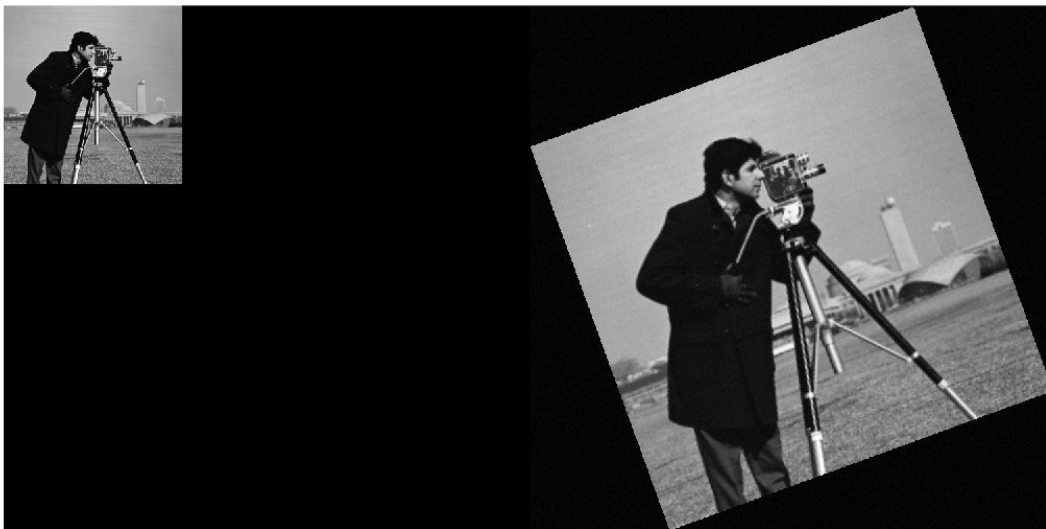
```
fixed = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Create a synthetic moving image by scaling and rotating the fixed image.

```
theta = 20;
S = 2.3;
tform = affine2d([S.*cosd(theta) -S.*sind(theta) 0; ...
                 S.*sind(theta) S.*cosd(theta) 0; ...
                 0 0 1]);
moving = imwarp(fixed,tform);
moving = moving + uint8(10*rand(size(moving)));
```

Display the fixed and the moving image alongside each other.

```
imshowpair(fixed,moving,'montage')
```



Estimate the transformation needed to align the images using `imregcorr`.

```
tformEstimate = imregcorr(moving, fixed);
```

Apply estimated geometric transform to the moving image. This example uses the 'OutputView' parameter to obtain a registered image the same size and with the same world limits as the reference image.

```
Rfixed = imref2d(size(fixed));  
movingReg = imwarp(moving,tformEstimate,'OutputView',Rfixed);
```

View the original image and the registered image side-by-side to check the registration. Then view the registered image overlaid on the original using the 'falsecolor' option to highlight any areas where the images differ.

```
imshowpair(fixed,movingReg,'montage')
```



```
imshowpair(fixed,movingReg,'falsecolor');
```




Input Arguments

moving — Image to be registered

grayscale image | binary image | RGB image

Image to be registered, specified as a grayscale, binary, or RGB image. If you specify an RGB image, `imregcorr` converts it to a grayscale image using `rgb2gray` before processing.

Note The aspect ratio of `moving` affects the output transform `tform`. For best results, use a square image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

fixed — Reference image in the target orientation

grayscale image | binary image | RGB image

Reference image in the target orientation, specified as a grayscale, binary, or RGB image. If you specify an RGB image, `imregcorr` converts it to a grayscale image using `rgb2gray` before processing.

Note The aspect ratio of `fixed` affects the output transform `tform`. For best results, use a square image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

transformtype — Type of transformation to estimate

'similarity' (default) | 'rigid' | 'translation'

Type of transformation to estimate, specified as one of the following values.

Value	Description
'translation'	Translation
'rigid'	Translation and rotation
'similarity'	Translation, rotation, and scaling When using the 'similarity' option, the phase correlation algorithm is only scale invariant within some range of scale difference between the fixed and moving images. <code>imregcorr</code> limits the search space to scale differences within the range [1/4, 4]. <code>imregcorr</code> does not detect scale differences less than 1/4 or greater than 4.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

moving — Spatial referencing information associated with the image to be registered`imref2d` object

Spatial referencing information associated with the image to be registered, specified as an `imref2d` object.

Rfixed — Spatial referencing information associated with the reference (fixed) image

imref2d object

Spatial referencing information associated with the reference (fixed) image, specified as an imref2d object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `tformEstimate = imregcorr(moving, fixed, 'Window', true);`

Window — Logical flag to control use of windowing to suppress spectral leakage effects in frequency domain

true (default) | scalar logical

Logical flag to control use of windowing to suppress spectral leakage effects in frequency domain, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Window' and a logical scalar. When set to true, imregcorr uses a Blackman window to increase the stability of registration results. If the common features you are trying to align in your images are oriented along the edges, setting 'Window' to false can sometimes provide superior registration results.

Example: `tformEstimate = imregcorr(moving, fixed, 'Window', true);`

Data Types: logical

Output Arguments**tform — Geometric transformation**

geometric transformation object

Geometric transformation, returned as a geometric transformation object of type affine2d.

Tips

- If your image is of type `double`, you can achieve performance improvements by casting the image to `single` with `im2single` before registration. Input images of type `double` cause the algorithm to compute FFTs in `double`.

References

- [1] Reddy, B. S. and Chatterji, B. N., *An FFT-Based Technique for Translation, Rotation, and Scale-Invariant Image Registration*, IEEE Transactions on Image Processing, Vol. 5, No. 8, August 1996

See Also

Apps

Registration Estimator

Functions

`imregister` | `imregtform` | `imshowpair` | `imwarp`

Introduced in R2014a

imregdemons

Estimate displacement field that aligns two 2-D or 3-D images

Syntax

```
[D,moving_reg] = imregdemons(moving, fixed)
[D,moving_reg] = imregdemons(moving, fixed, N)
[D,moving_reg] = imregdemons(___, Name, Value)
```

Description

`[D,moving_reg] = imregdemons(moving, fixed)` estimates the displacement field `D` that aligns the image to be registered, `moving`, with the reference image, `fixed`. The displacement vectors at each pixel location map locations from the `fixed` image grid to a corresponding location in the `moving` image. `moving_reg` is a warped version of the `moving` image that is warped according to the displacement field `D` and resampled using linear interpolation.

You optionally can estimate the displacement field using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`[D,moving_reg] = imregdemons(moving, fixed, N)` specifies the number of iterations to be computed. This function does not use a convergence criterion and therefore is always guaranteed to run for the specified or default number of iterations.

`[D,moving_reg] = imregdemons(___, Name, Value)` registers the moving image using name-value pairs to control aspects of weight computation.

Examples

Register Two Images with Local Distortions

This example shows how to solve a registration problem in which the same hand has been photographed in two different poses. The misalignment of the images varies locally throughout each image. This is therefore a non-rigid registration problem.

Read the two images into the workspace.

```
fixed = imread('hands1.jpg');  
moving = imread('hands2.jpg');
```

Convert the images to grayscale for processing.

```
fixed = rgb2gray(fixed);  
moving = rgb2gray(moving);
```

Observe the initial misalignment. Fingers are in different poses.

```
imshowpair(fixed,moving,'montage')
```



Overlay the two images to make it easy to see where the images differ. The differences are highlighted in green and magenta.

```
imshowpair(fixed,moving)
```



Correct illumination differences between the `moving` and `fixed` images using histogram matching. This is a common pre-processing step.

```
moving = imhistmatch(moving, fixed);
```

Estimate the transformation needed to bring the two images into alignment.

```
[~, movingReg] = imregdemons(moving, fixed, [500 400 200], ...  
    'AccumulatedFieldSmoothing', 1.3);
```

Display the results of the registration. In the first figure, the images are overlaid to show the alignment.

```
imshowpair(fixed, movingReg)
```



```
imshowpair(fixed,movingReg,'montage')
```



Register Two Images with Local Distortions on a GPU

Perform a nonrigid registration on a GPU.

Read images into the workspace.

```
fixed = imread('hands1.jpg');
moving = imread('hands2.jpg');
```

Observe the initial misalignment. (Fingers are in different positions.)

```
figure
imshowpair(fixed,moving,'montage')
figure
imshowpair(fixed,moving)
```

Create `gpuArrays` and convert the images to grayscale.

```
fixedGPU = gpuArray(fixed);
movingGPU = gpuArray(moving);

fixedGPU = rgb2gray(fixedGPU);
movingGPU = rgb2gray(movingGPU);
```

Use histogram matching to correct illumination differences between the moving and fixed images. This is a common preprocessing step.

```
fixedHist = imhist(fixedGPU);
movingGPU = histeq(movingGPU, fixedHist);
```

Perform the registration.

```
[~,movingReg] = imregdemons(movingGPU, fixedGPU, [500 400 200], 'AccumulatedFieldSmoothing');
```

Bring the registered image back to the CPU.

```
movingReg = gather(movingReg);
```

View the results.

```
figure
imshowpair(fixed, movingReg)
```

```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed,movingReg,'montage')
```

Input Arguments

moving — Image to be registered

2-D or 3-D grayscale image | gpuArray

Image to be registered, specified as a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify `moving` as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

fixed — Reference image in the target orientation

2-D or 3-D grayscale image | gpuArray

Reference image in the target orientation, specified as a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify `fixed` as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

N — Number of iterations

100 (default) | positive integer scalar or vector

Number of iterations, specified as a positive integer scalar or vector.

When you specify a vector, `N` is the number of iterations per pyramid level (resolution level). For example, if there are 3 pyramid levels, then you can specify the vector `[100,50,25]`, where `imregdemons` performs 100 iterations at the lowest resolution level, 50 iterations at the next pyramid level, and 25 iterations at the last iteration level—the level with full resolution. Because it takes less time to process the lower resolution levels, running more iterations at low resolution and fewer iterations at the higher resolutions of the pyramid can help performance.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

```
Example: [D,movingReg] = imregdemons(moving,fixed,[500 400  
200], 'AccumulatedFieldSmoothing',1.5);
```

AccumulatedFieldSmoothing — Smoothing applied at each iteration

1.0 (default) | positive scalar

Smoothing applied at each iteration, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'AccumulatedFieldSmoothing' and a numeric value. This parameter controls the amount of diffusion-like regularization. `imregdemons` applies the standard deviation of the Gaussian smoothing to regularize the accumulated field at each iteration. Larger values result in smoother output displacement fields. Smaller values result in more localized deformation in the output displacement field. Values typically are in the range [0.5, 3.0]. When you specify multiple `PyramidLevels`, the standard deviation used in the Gaussian smoothing remains the same at each pyramid level.

Data Types: double

PyramidLevels — Number of multi-resolution image pyramid levels to use

3 (default) | positive integer scalar

Number of multi-resolution image pyramid levels to use, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'PyramidLevels' and a positive integer scalar.

Data Types: double

DisplayWaitbar — Display waitbar to indicate progress

true (default) | false

Display waitbar to indicate progress, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'DisplayWaitbar' and the value `true` or `false`. When set to `true`, `imregdemons` displays a waitbar to indicate progress for long-running operations. To prevent `imregdemons` from displaying a waitbar, set `DisplayWaitbar` to `false`.

Note The 'DisplayWaitbar' parameter is not supported on a GPU.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

D — Displacement field

numeric array | `gpuArray`

Displacement field, specified as a numeric array. Displacement values are in units of pixels.

- If `fixed` is a 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n , then the displacement field array is m -by- n -by-2. `D(:, :, 1)` contains displacements along the x -axis and `D(:, :, 2)` contains displacements along the y -axis.
- If `fixed` is a 3-D grayscale image of size m -by- n -by- p , then the displacement field array is m -by- n -by- p -by-3. `D(:, :, :, 1)` contains displacements along the x -axis, `D(:, :, :, 2)` contains displacements along the y -axis. and `D(:, :, :, 3)` contains displacements along the z -axis.

If the displacement field is computed using a GPU, then `D` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Data Types: `double`

moving_reg — Aligned image

2-D or 3-D grayscale image | `gpuArray`

Registered image, returned as a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image, warped according to the displacement field `D` and resampled using linear interpolation.

If the displacement field is computed using a GPU, then `moving_reg` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image.

Tips

- To transform an image using the displacement field `D`, use `imwarp`.

References

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- [2] Vercauteren, T, X. Pennec, A. Perchant, N. Ayache, "Diffeomorphic Demons: Efficient Non-parametric Image Registration", *NeuroImage*. Vol. 45, Number 1, Supplement 1, March 2009, pp. 61-72.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- The parameter 'DisplayWaitbar' is not supported on the GPU.

For more information, see "Image Processing on a GPU".

See Also

Apps

Registration Estimator

Functions

`imregcorr` | `imregister` | `imregtform` | `imshowpair` | `imwarp`

Introduced in R2014b

imregister

Intensity-based image registration

Syntax

```
moving_reg = imregister(moving, fixed, transformType, optimizer, metric)
[moving_reg, R_reg] = imregister(moving, Rmoving, fixed, Rfixed,
transformType, optimizer, metric)
___ = imregister(___ , Name, Value)
```

Description

`moving_reg = imregister(moving, fixed, transformType, optimizer, metric)` transforms the 2-D or 3-D image, `moving`, so that it is registered with the reference image, `fixed`. Both `moving` and `fixed` images must be of the same dimensionality, either 2-D or 3-D. `transformType` is a string scalar or character vector that defines the type of transformation to perform. `optimizer` is an object that describes the method for optimizing the metric. `metric` is an object that defines the quantitative measure of similarity between the images to optimize. Returns the aligned image, `moving_reg`.

`[moving_reg, R_reg] = imregister(moving, Rmoving, fixed, Rfixed, transformType, optimizer, metric)` transforms the spatially referenced image `moving` so that it is registered with the spatially referenced image `fixed`. `Rmoving` and `Rfixed` are spatial referencing objects that describe the world coordinate limits and the resolution of `moving` and `fixed`.

`___ = imregister(___ , Name, Value)` specifies additional options with one or more `Name, Value` pair arguments.

Examples

Register Multimodal MRI Images with Optimizer

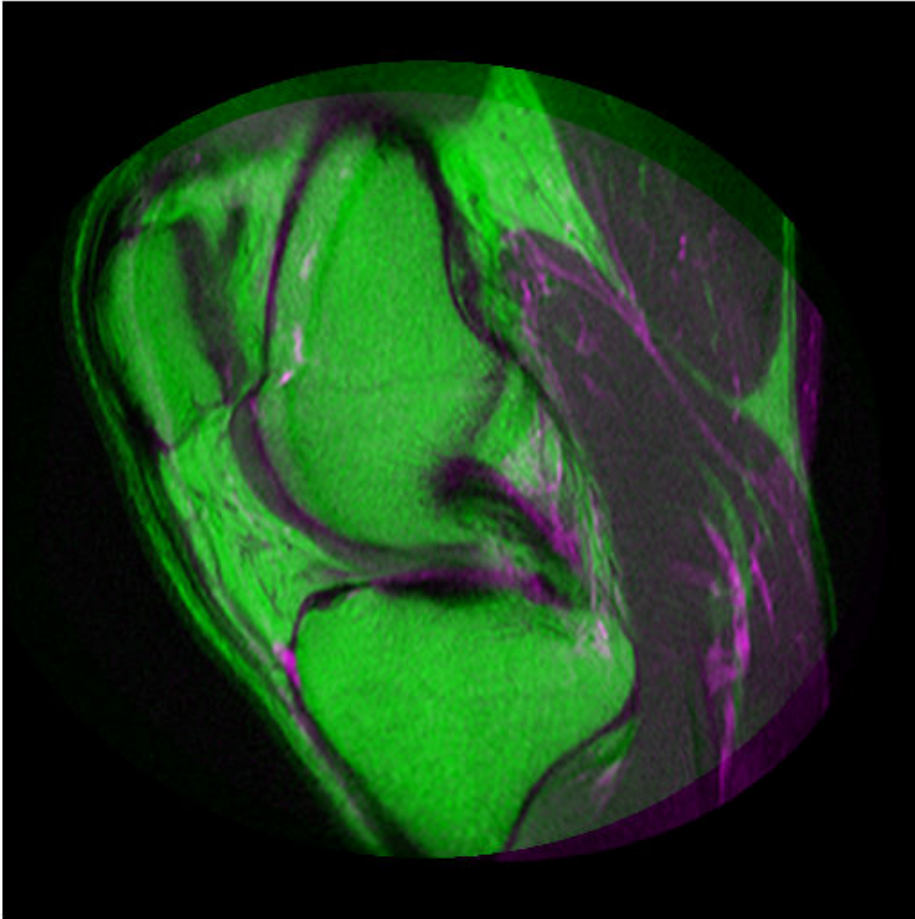
Read two images. This example uses two magnetic resonance (MRI) images of a knee. The fixed image is a spin echo image, while the moving image is a spin echo image with

inversion recovery. The two sagittal slices were acquired at the same time but are slightly out of alignment.

```
fixed = dicomread('knee1.dcm');  
moving = dicomread('knee2.dcm');
```

View the misaligned images.

```
imshowpair(fixed, moving, 'Scaling', 'joint')
```



Create the optimizer and metric, setting the modality to 'multimodal' since the images come from different sensors.

```
[optimizer, metric] = imregconfig('multimodal')
```



```
optimizer =
    registration.optimizer.OnePlusOneEvolutionary

    Properties:
        GrowthFactor: 1.050000e+00
        Epsilon: 1.500000e-06
        InitialRadius: 6.250000e-03
        MaximumIterations: 100

metric =
    registration.metric.MattesMutualInformation

    Properties:
        NumberOfSpatialSamples: 500
        NumberOfHistogramBins: 50
        UseAllPixels: 1
```

Tune the properties of the optimizer to get the problem to converge on a global maxima and to allow for more iterations.

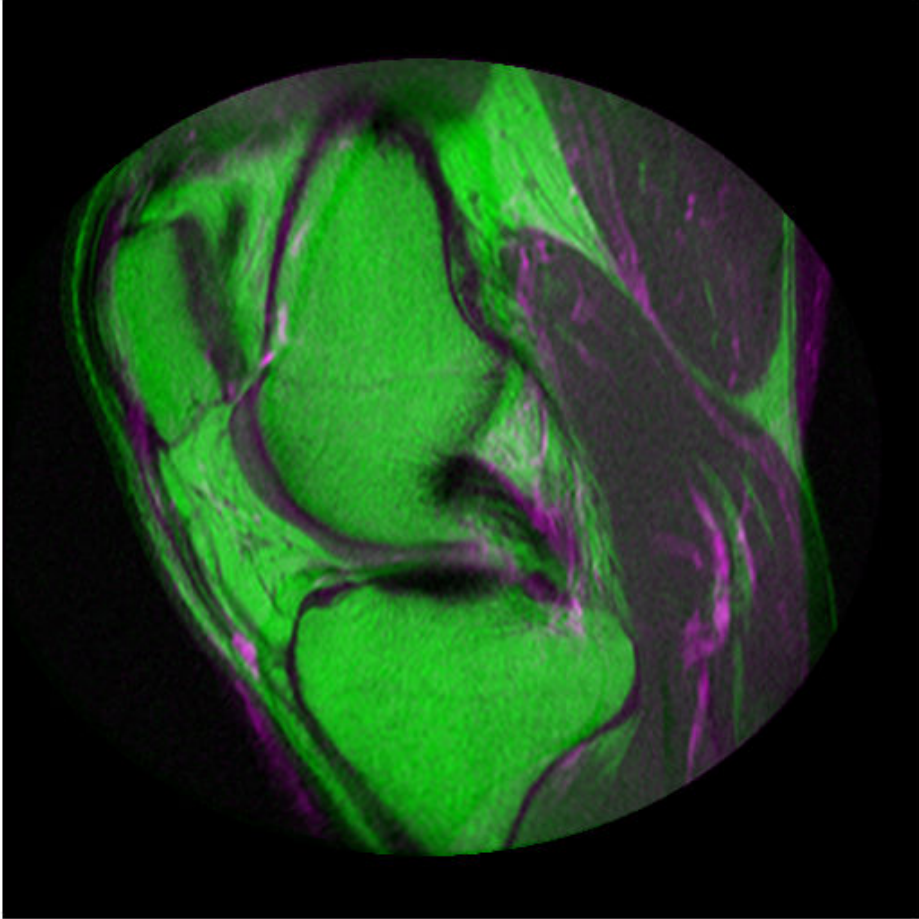
```
optimizer.InitialRadius = 0.009;
optimizer.Epsilon = 1.5e-4;
optimizer.GrowthFactor = 1.01;
optimizer.MaximumIterations = 300;
```

Perform the registration.

```
movingRegistered = imregister(moving, fixed, 'affine', optimizer, metric);
```

View the registered images.

```
figure
imshowpair(fixed, movingRegistered, 'Scaling', 'joint')
```



Input Arguments

moving — Image to be registered

grayscale image

Image to be registered, specified as a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Rmoving — Spatial referencing information associated with the image to be registered

`imref2d` or `imref3d` object

Spatial referencing information associated with the image to be registered, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` object.

fixed — Reference image in the target orientation

grayscale image

Reference image in the target orientation, specified as a grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Rfixed — Spatial referencing information associated with the reference image

`imref2d` or `imref3d` object

Spatial referencing information associated with the reference (fixed) image, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` object.

transformType — Geometric transformation to be applied to the image to be registered

`'translation'` | `'rigid'` | `'similarity'` | `'affine'`

Geometric transformation to be applied to the moving image, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
<code>'translation'</code>	(x,y) translation in 2-D, or (x,y,z) translation in 3-D.
<code>'rigid'</code>	Rigid transformation consisting of translation and rotation.
<code>'similarity'</code>	Nonreflective similarity transformation consisting of translation, rotation, and scale.

Value	Description
'affine'	Affine transformation consisting of translation, rotation, scale, and shear.

The 'similarity' and 'affine' transformation types always involve nonreflective transformations.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

optimizer — Method for optimizing the similarity metric

`RegularStepGradientDescent` or `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` optimizer object

Method for optimizing the similarity metric, specified as a `RegularStepGradientDescent` or `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` optimizer object.

metric — Image similarity metric to be optimized during registration

`MeanSquares` or `MattesMutualInformation` metric object

Image similarity metric to be optimized during registration, specified as a `MeanSquares` or `MattesMutualInformation` metric object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `'DisplayOptimization',1` enables the verbose optimization mode.

DisplayOptimization — Verbose optimization flag

`false` (default) | `true`

Verbose optimization flag, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'DisplayOptimization'`, and the logical value `true` or `false`. Controls whether `imregister` displays optimization information in the command window during the registration process.

Data Types: `logical`

InitialTransformation — Starting geometric transformation

`affine2d` or `affine3d` object

Starting geometric transformation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InitialTransformation' and an affine2d or affine3d object.

PyramidLevels — Number of pyramid levels used during registration process

3 (default) | positive integer

Number of pyramid levels used during the registration process, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'PyramidLevels' and a positive integer.

Example: 'PyramidLevels',4 sets the number of pyramid levels to 4.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

moving_reg — Transformed image

numeric matrix

Transformed image, returned as a matrix. Any fill pixels introduced that do not correspond to locations in the original image are 0.

R_reg — Spatial referencing information associated with output image

imref2d or imref3d object

Spatial referencing information associated with output image, returned as an imref2d or imref3d object.

Tips

- Both `imregtform` and `imregister` use the same underlying registration algorithm. `imregister` performs the additional step of resampling `moving` to produce the registered output image from the geometric transformation estimate calculated by `imregtform`. Use `imregtform` when you want access to the geometric transformation that relates `moving` to `fixed`. Use `imregister` when you want a registered output image.
- Create an `optimizer` and `metric` with the `imregconfig` function before calling `imregister`. Getting good results from optimization-based image registration usually requires modifying optimizer or metric settings for the pair of images being registered. The `imregconfig` function provides a default configuration that should

only be considered a starting point. For example, if you increase the number of iterations in the optimizer, reduce the optimizer step size, or change the number of samples in a stochastic metric, the registration improves to a point, at the expense of performance. See the output of `imregconfig` for more information on the different parameters that you can modify.

- If the spatial scaling of your images differs by more than 10%, resize them with `imresize` before registering them.
- Use `imshowpair` or `imfuse` to visualize the results of registration.
- You can use `imregister` in an automated workflow to register several images.
- When you have spatial referencing information about the image to be registered, specify the information to `imregister` using spatial referencing objects. This helps `imregister` converge to better results more quickly because scale differences can be taken into account.

See Also

Apps

Registration Estimator

Functions

`imfuse` | `imregconfig` | `imregcorr` | `imregtform` | `imshowpair` | `imwarp`

Topics

“Create an Optimizer and Metric for Intensity-Based Image Registration”

“Intensity-Based Automatic Image Registration”

Introduced in R2012a

imregmtb

Register 2-D images using median threshold bitmaps

Syntax

```
[R1,R2,...,Rn,shift] = imregmtb(M1,M2,...,Mn,F)
```

Description

`[R1,R2,...,Rn,shift] = imregmtb(M1,M2,...,Mn,F)` registers an arbitrary number of moving images `M1,M2,...,Mn` with respect to the fixed (reference) image, `F`, using the median threshold bitmap technique. The registered images are returned in `R1,R2,...,Rn`, and the estimated displacement of the registered images is returned in `shift`.

The median threshold bitmap technique is effective for registering images captured with variable exposures. `imregmtb` considers only translations, not rotations or other types of geometric transformations.

Examples

Register Images with Jitter Using Median Threshold Bitmaps

Read a series of images with different exposures.

```
I1 = imread('office_1.jpg');  
I2 = imread('office_2.jpg');  
I3 = imread('office_3.jpg');  
I4 = imread('office_4.jpg');  
I5 = imread('office_5.jpg');  
I6 = imread('office_6.jpg');
```

The images were captured from a fixed camera, and there are no moving objects in the scene. For this example, simulate camera motion, or jitter, by translating each image

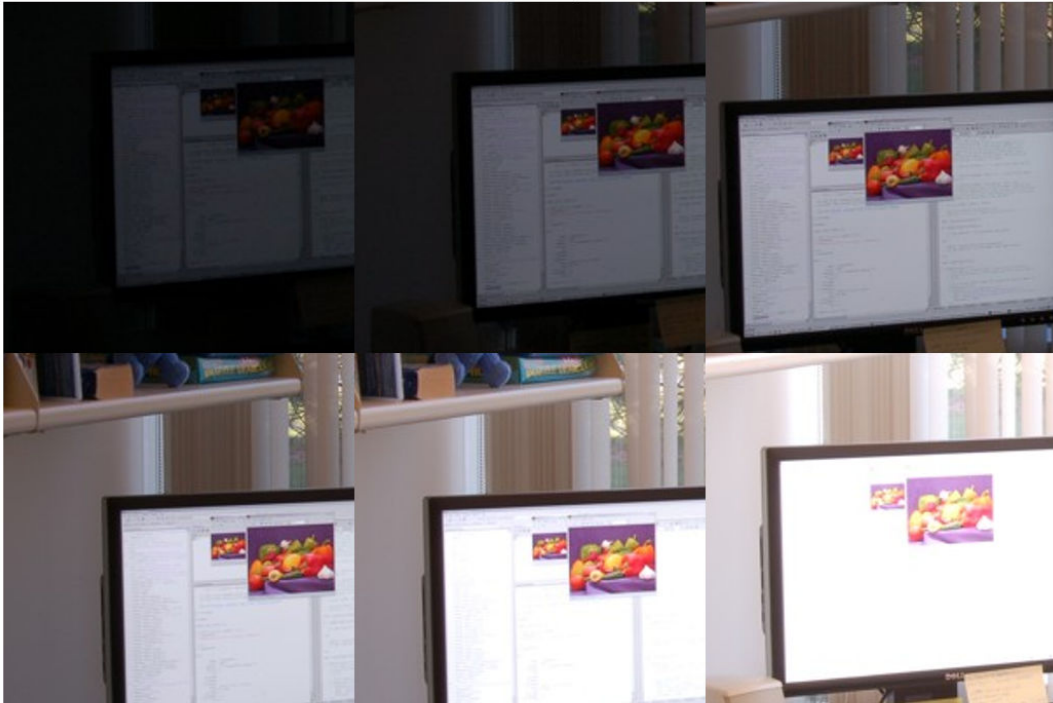
horizontally and vertically by a random amount in the range [-30, 30] pixels. Store the translation values for all five moving images in the 5-by-2 matrix **t**. Designate the sixth image, **I6**, as the fixed (or reference) image. Do not apply jitter to this image.

```
t = randi([-30 30],5,2);
I1 = imtranslate(I1,t(1,:));
I2 = imtranslate(I2,t(2,:));
I3 = imtranslate(I3,t(3,:));
I4 = imtranslate(I4,t(4,:));
I5 = imtranslate(I5,t(5,:));
```

To compare the image positions, display a region of interest (ROI) from the center of each image. The vector **roi** specifies the x- and y-coordinate of the top left corner, and the width and height of the ROI.

```
roi = [140 260 200 200];
montage({imcrop(I1,roi),imcrop(I2,roi),imcrop(I3,roi), ...
         imcrop(I4,roi),imcrop(I5,roi),imcrop(I6,roi)})
title('Misaligned Images')
```

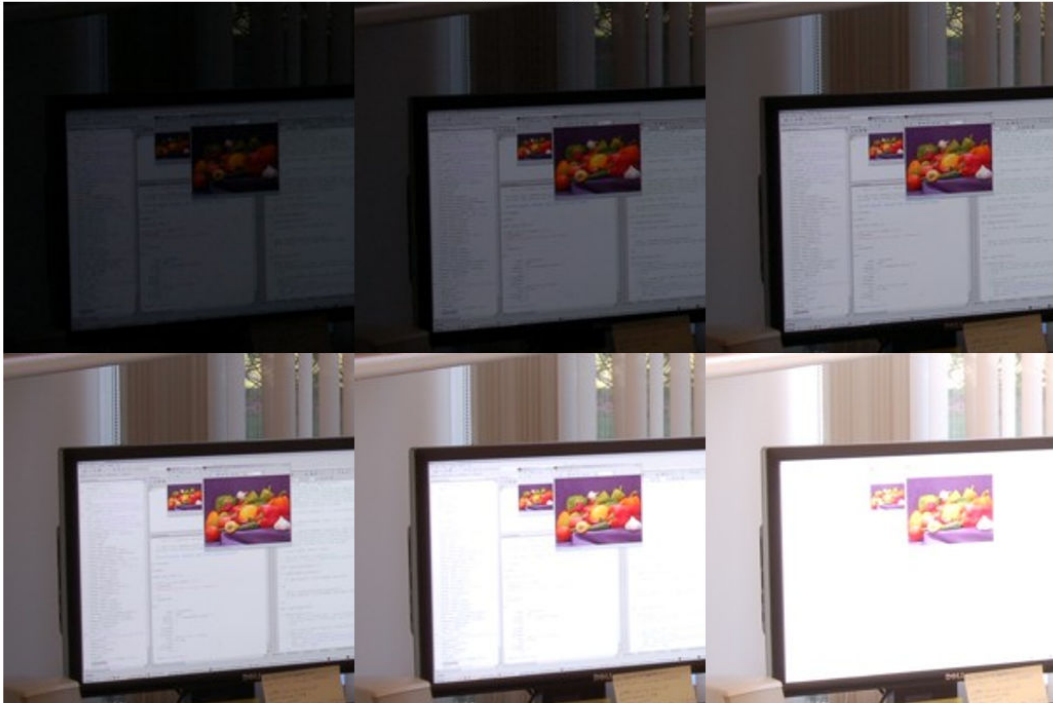

Misaligned Images



Register the spatially shifted images using median threshold bitmaps. Display an ROI from the center of each image.

```
[R1,R2,R3,R4,R5,shift] = imregmtb(I1,I2,I3,I4,I5,I6);  
montage({imcrop(R1,roi),imcrop(R2,roi),imcrop(R3,roi), ...  
        imcrop(R4,roi),imcrop(R5,roi),imcrop(I6,roi)})  
title('Registered Images')
```

Registered Images



The images look well-aligned.

Examine the estimated displacement, `shift`, of each moving image with respect to the fixed image. `shift` represents the estimated transformation that must be applied to the moving image to align it with the fixed image.

`shift`

`shift = 5x2`

-26 25

-25 14

23 -3

-25 -28

-8 -28

Compare the estimated displacement to the actual displacement. Recall that the transformation t was applied to the fixed image to simulate the jitter of each moving image. Therefore, the transformation $-t$ is analogous to the transformation returned by `shift`.

`-t`

`ans = 5x2`

```
-19    25
-25    14
 23    -3
-25   -28
  -8   -28
```

The `imregmtb` function does a good job estimating the displacement of each frame.

Input Arguments

M1,M2,...,Mn — Moving images

grayscale images | RGB images

Moving images, specified as a series of grayscale images or RGB images with identical or variable exposures. The images must have the same size and data type.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

F — Fixed image

grayscale image | RGB image

Fixed image, specified as a grayscale image or RGB image. `F` must have the same size and data type as the moving images, `M1,M2,...,Mn`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

R1,R2,...,Rn — Registered images

grayscale images | RGB images

Registered images, returned as a series of grayscale images or RGB images. The registered images have the same size and data type as the moving images, M_1, M_2, \dots, M_n .

shift — Estimated displacement

n-by-2 numeric matrix

Estimated displacement in the horizontal and vertical direction of the *n* registered images, returned as an *n*-by-2 numeric matrix.

References

- [1] Reinhard, E., W. Heidrich, P. Debevec, S. Pattanaik, G. Ward, K. Myszkowski. *High Dynamic Range Imaging, Second Edition*. San Francisco, CA: Morgan Kaufmann Publishers Inc., 2010, pp. 155–170.

See Also

`blendexposure` | `imregcorr` | `imregister` | `imtranslate`

Introduced in R2018a

imregtform

Estimate geometric transformation that aligns two 2-D or 3-D images

Syntax

```
tform = imregtform(moving, fixed, transformType, optimizer, metric)
tform = imregtform(moving, Rmoving, fixed, Rfixed, transformType,
optimizer, metric)
tform = imregtform( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

`tform = imregtform(moving, fixed, transformType, optimizer, metric)` estimates the geometric transformation that aligns the moving image `moving` with the fixed image `fixed`. `transformType` is a string scalar or character vector that defines the type of transformation to estimate. `optimizer` is an object that describes the method for optimizing the metric. `metric` is an object that defines the quantitative measure of similarity between the images to optimize. The output `tform` is a geometric transformation object that maps `moving` to `fixed`.

`tform = imregtform(moving, Rmoving, fixed, Rfixed, transformType, optimizer, metric)` estimates the geometric transformation where `Rmoving` and `Rfixed` specify the spatial referencing objects associated with the `moving` and `fixed` images. The output `tform` is a geometric transformation object in units defined by the spatial referencing objects `Rmoving` and `Rfixed`.

`tform = imregtform(____, Name, Value)` estimates the geometric transformation using name-value pairs to control aspects of the operation.

Examples

Estimate Transformation Needed for Image Registration

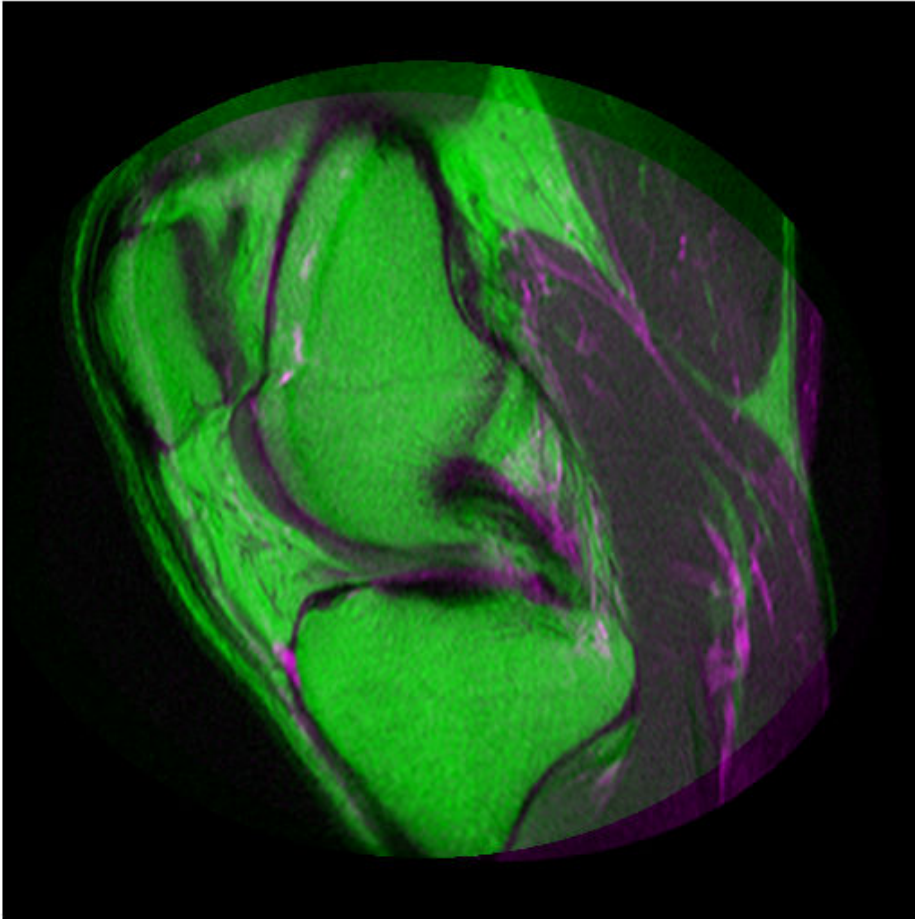
Read two images. This example uses two magnetic resonance (MRI) images of a knee. The fixed image is a spin echo image, while the moving image is a spin echo image with

inversion recovery. The two sagittal slices were acquired at the same time but are slightly out of alignment.

```
fixed = dicomread('knee1.dcm');  
moving = dicomread('knee2.dcm');
```

View the misaligned images.

```
imshowpair(fixed, moving, 'Scaling', 'joint')
```



Create the optimizer and metric, setting the modality to 'multimodal' since the images come from different sensors.

```
[optimizer, metric] = imregconfig('multimodal')
```

```
optimizer =
    registration.optimizer.OnePlusOneEvolutionary

Properties:
    GrowthFactor: 1.050000e+00
    Epsilon: 1.500000e-06
    InitialRadius: 6.250000e-03
    MaximumIterations: 100

metric =
    registration.metric.MattesMutualInformation

Properties:
    NumberOfSpatialSamples: 500
    NumberOfHistogramBins: 50
    UseAllPixels: 1
```

Tune the properties of the optimizer to get the problem to converge on a global maxima and to allow for more iterations.

```
optimizer.InitialRadius = 0.009;
optimizer.Epsilon = 1.5e-4;
optimizer.GrowthFactor = 1.01;
optimizer.MaximumIterations = 300;
```

Find the geometric transformation that maps the image to be registered (moving) to the reference image (fixed).

```
tform = imregtform(moving, fixed, 'affine', optimizer, metric)
```

```
tform =
    affine2d with properties:

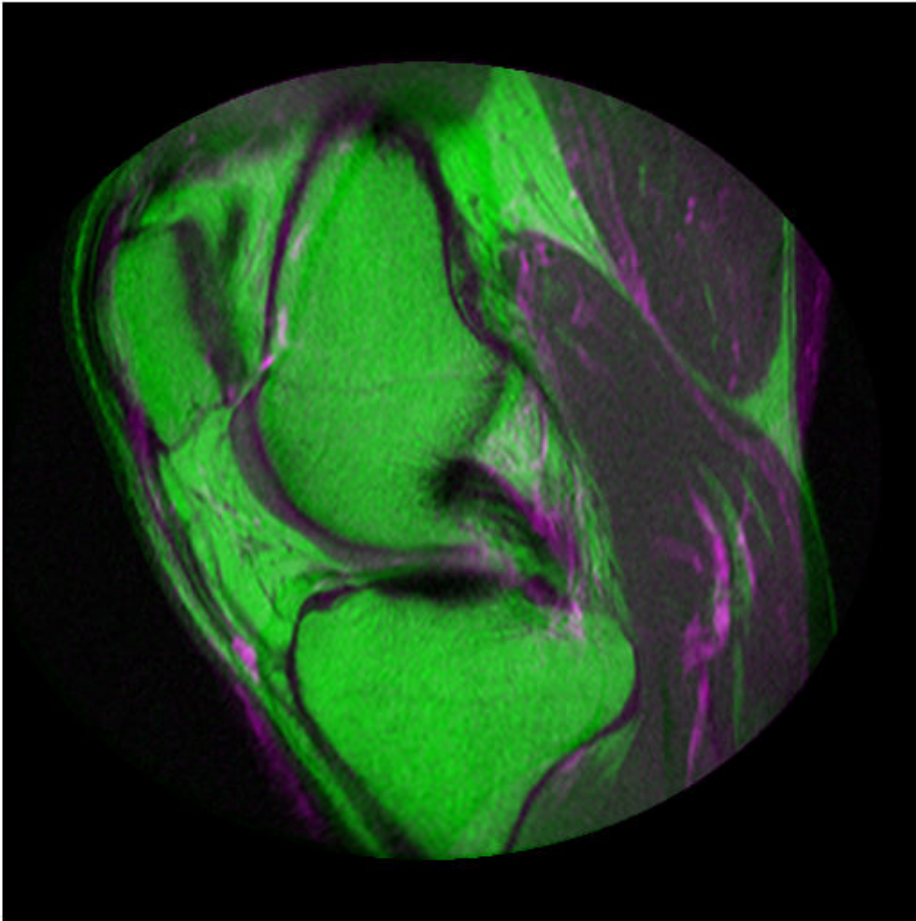
    Dimensionality: 2
    T: [3x3 double]
```

Apply the transformation to the image being registered (moving) using the `imwarp` function. The example uses the `'OutputView'` parameter to preserve world limits and resolution of the reference image when forming the transformed image.

```
movingRegistered = imwarp(moving,tform,'OutputView',imref2d(size(fixed)));
```

View the registered images.


```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed, movingRegistered, 'Scaling', 'joint')
```



Input Arguments

moving — Image to be registered

2-D or 3-D grayscale image

Image to be registered, specified as a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Rmoving — Spatial referencing information associated with the image to be registered

`imref2d` or `imref3d` object

Spatial referencing information associated with the image to be registered, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` object.

fixed — Reference image in the target orientation

2-D or 3-D grayscale image

Reference image in the target orientation, specified as a 2-D or 3-D grayscale image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Rfixed — Spatial referencing information associated with the reference (fixed) image

`imref2d` or `imref3d` object

Spatial referencing information associated with the reference (fixed) image, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` object.

transformType — Geometric transformation to be applied to the image to be registered

`'translation'` | `'rigid'` | `'similarity'` | `'affine'`

Geometric transformation to be applied to the image to be registered, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
<code>'translation'</code>	(x,y) translation.
<code>'rigid'</code>	Rigid transformation consisting of translation and rotation.

Value	Description
'similarity'	Nonreflective similarity transformation consisting of translation, rotation, and scale.
'affine'	Affine transformation consisting of translation, rotation, scale, and shear.

The 'similarity' and 'affine' transformation types always involve nonreflective transformations.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

optimizer — Method for optimizing the similarity metric

`RegularStepGradientDescent` or `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` optimizer object

Method for optimizing the similarity metric, specified as a `RegularStepGradientDescent` or `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` optimizer object.

metric — Image similarity metric to be optimized during registration

`MeanSquares` or `MattesMutualInformation` metric object

Image similarity metric to be optimized during registration, specified as a `MeanSquares` or `MattesMutualInformation` metric object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `'DisplayOptimization',1` enables verbose optimization mode.

DisplayOptimization — Verbose optimization flag

`false` (default) | `true`

Verbose optimization flag, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'DisplayOptimization'`, and the logical value `true` or `false`. Controls whether `imregister` displays optimization information in the command window during the registration process.

Data Types: `logical`

InitialTransformation — Starting geometric transformation

affine2d or affine3d object

Starting geometric transformation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InitialTransformation' and an affine2d or affine3d object.

PyramidLevels — Number of multi-level image pyramid levels used during the registration process

3 (default) | positive integer

Number of pyramid levels used during the registration process, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'PyramidLevels' and a positive integer.

Example: 'PyramidLevels',4 sets the number of pyramid levels to 4.

Output Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

affine2d or affine3d object

Geometric transformation, returned as an affine2d or affine3d object. If the input matrices are 3-D, imregtform returns an affine3d object.

Tips

- When you have spatial referencing information available, it is important to provide this information to imregtform, using spatial referencing objects. This information helps imregtform converge to better results more quickly because scale differences can be considered.
- Both imregtform and imregister use the same underlying registration algorithm. imregister performs the additional step of resampling moving to produce the registered output image from the geometric transformation estimate calculated by imregtform. Use imregtform when you want access to the geometric transformation that relates moving to fixed. Use imregister when you want a registered output image.
- Getting good results from optimization-based image registration usually requires modifying optimizer and/or metric settings for the pair of images being registered. The imregconfig function provides a default configuration that should only be

considered a starting point. See the output of the `imregconfig` for more information on the different parameters that can be modified.

See Also

Apps

Registration Estimator

Functions

`imregconfig` | `imregister` | `imshowpair` | `imwarp`

Objects

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Topics

“Create an Optimizer and Metric for Intensity-Based Image Registration”

Introduced in R2013a

imresize

Resize image

Syntax

```
J = imresize(I, scale)
J = imresize(I, [numrows numcols])
[Y, newmap] = imresize(X, map, ___)
___ = imresize(___ , method)
___ = imresize(___ , Name, Value)
```

Description

`J = imresize(I, scale)` returns image `J` that is `scale` times the size of grayscale, RGB, or binary image `I`. If `I` has more than two dimensions, then `imresize` only resizes the first two dimensions. By default, `imresize` uses bicubic interpolation and performs antialiasing.

You optionally can resize images using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = imresize(I, [numrows numcols])` returns image `J` that has the number of rows and columns specified by the vector `[numrows numcols]`.

`[Y, newmap] = imresize(X, map, ___)` resizes the indexed image `X` with colormap `map`. By default, `imresize` returns an optimized colormap, `newmap`, with the resized image. To return a colormap that is the same as the original colormap, use the `Colormap` name-value pair argument.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`___ = imresize(___ , method)` specifies the interpolation method used.

Only the 'bicubic' and 'cubic' interpolation methods are supported on a GPU.

`___ = imresize(___ , Name, Value)` uses name-value pair arguments to control various aspects of the resizing operation.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

Examples

Resize Image Specifying Scale Factor

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

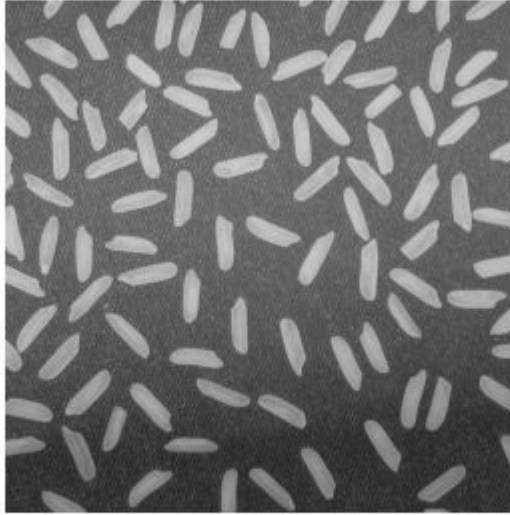
Resize the image, specifying scale factor and using default interpolation method and antialiasing.

```
J = imresize(I, 0.5);
```

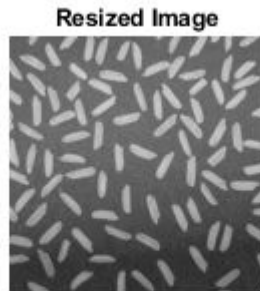
Display the original and the resized image.

```
figure  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



```
figure  
imshow(J)  
title('Resized Image')
```

Resize Image on GPU

Read image into the workspace in a `gpuArray`.

```
I = im2double(gpuArray(imread('rice.png')));
```

Resize the image, performing the operation on a GPU.

```
J = imresize(I, 0.5);
```

Display the original image and the resized image.

```
figure
imshow(I)
title('Original')
figure
imshow(J)
title('Resized Image')
```

Resize Image Specifying Scale Factor and Interpolation Method

Read image into the workspace.

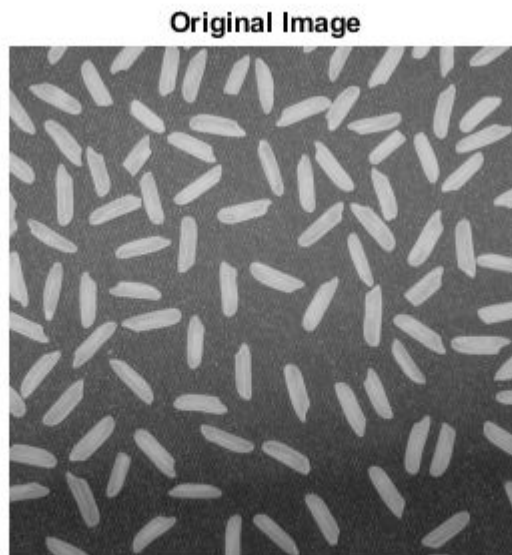
```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Resize the image, specifying scale factor and the interpolation method.

```
J = imresize(I, 0.5, 'nearest');
```

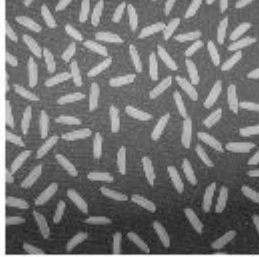
Display the original and the resized image.

```
figure  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```



```
figure  
imshow(J)  
title('Resized Image Using Nearest-Neighbor')
```

Resized Image Using Nearest-Neighbor



Resize Indexed Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
[X, map] = imread('trees.tif');
```

Resize the image, specifying a scale factor. By default, `imresize` returns an optimized color map with the resized indexed image.

```
[Y, newmap] = imresize(X, map, 0.5);
```

Display the original image and the resized image.

```
figure  
imshow(X, map)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



```
figure  
imshow(Y,newmap)  
title('Resized Image')
```



Resize RGB Image Specifying Size of Output Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('peppers.png');
```

Resize the image, specifying that the output image have 64 rows. Let `imresize` calculate the number of columns necessary to preserve the aspect ratio.

```
RGB2 = imresize(RGB, [64 NaN]);
```

Display the original image and the resized image.

```
figure  
imshow(RGB)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



```
figure  
imshow(IMG2)  
title('Resized Image')
```



Resize RGB Image on GPU

Read image into the workspace in a `gpuArray`.

```
RGB = gpuArray(im2single(imread('peppers.png')));
```

Resize the image, performing the operation on a GPU.

```
RGB2 = imresize(RGB, 0.5);
```

Display the original image and the resized image.

```
figure
imshow(RGB)
title('Original')
figure
imshow(RGB2)
title('Resized Image')
```

Input Arguments

I — Image to be resized

numeric array | logical array | `gpuArray`

Image to be resized, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension.

To resize images using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric array of data type `double` or `single`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

scale — Resize factor

positive number

Resize factor, specified as a positive number.

- If `scale` is less than 1, then the output image (J or Y) is smaller than the input image (I or X).
- If `scale` is greater than 1, then the output image is larger than the input image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

[numrows numcols] — Row and column dimensions of output image

2-element vector of positive numbers

Row and column dimensions of output image, specified as a 2-element vector of positive numbers. Either `numrows` or `numcols` can be NaN, in which case `imresize` computes the number of rows or columns automatically to preserve the image aspect ratio.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

X — Indexed image to be resized

numeric array

Indexed image to be resized, specified as a numeric array.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

map — Colormap

c-by-3 numeric matrix

Colormap associated with indexed image X, specified as a *c*-by-3 numeric matrix.

Data Types: `double`

method — Interpolation method

'bicubic' (default) | string scalar | character vector | 2-element cell array

Interpolation method, specified as a string scalar, character vector or 2-element cell array.

When `method` is a string scalar or character vector, it identifies a particular method or named interpolation kernel, listed in the following table.

Method	Description
'nearest'	Nearest-neighbor interpolation; the output pixel is assigned the value of the pixel that the point falls within. No other pixels are considered.
'bilinear'	Bilinear interpolation; the output pixel value is a weighted average of pixels in the nearest 2-by-2 neighborhood
'bicubic'	Bicubic interpolation; the output pixel value is a weighted average of pixels in the nearest 4-by-4 neighborhood
	Note Bicubic interpolation can produce pixel values outside the original range.
Interpolation Kernel	Description
'box'	Box-shaped kernel
'triangle'	Triangular kernel (equivalent to 'bilinear')
'cubic'	Cubic kernel (equivalent to 'bicubic')
'lanczos2'	Lanczos-2 kernel
'lanczos3'	Lanczos-3 kernel

When `method` is a 2-element cell array, it defines a custom interpolation kernel. The cell array has the form $\{f,w\}$, where f is a function handle for a custom interpolation kernel and w is the width of the custom kernel. $f(x)$ must be zero outside the interval $-w/2 \leq x < w/2$. The function handle f can be called with a scalar or a vector input. For user-specified interpolation kernels, the output image can have some values slightly outside the range of pixel values in the input image.

Data Types: `char` | `string` | `cell`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes.

You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `I2 = imresize(I,0.5,'Antialiasing',false);`

Antialiasing — Perform antialiasing when shrinking an image

`true` | `false`

Perform antialiasing when shrinking an image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Antialiasing'` and `true` or `false`.

- If `method` is `nearest-neighbor` (`'nearest'`), then the default value of `'Antialiasing'` is `false`.
- For all other interpolation methods, the default is `true`.

Data Types: `logical`

Colormap — Return optimized colormap

`'optimized'` (default) | `'original'`

Return optimized colormap for indexed image `X`, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Colormap'` and one of the following.

- `'original'` — The output colormap `newmap` is the same as the input colormap `map`.
- `'optimized'` — `imresize` returns a new optimized colormap.

This argument is valid only when resizing indexed images.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Dither — Perform color dithering

`true` (default) | `false`

Perform color dithering, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Dither'` and `true` or `false`. In dithering, you apply a form of noise to the image to randomize quantization error and prevent large-scale patterns.

This argument is valid only when resizing indexed images, `X`.

Data Types: `logical`

Method — Interpolation method

`'bicubic'` (default) | `string scalar` | `character vector` | `2-element cell array`

Interpolation method, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Method' and a scalar string, character vector, or 2-element cell array. For details, see method.

Data Types: char | string | cell

OutputSize — Size of output image

2-element numeric vector

Size of the output image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'OutputSize' and a 2-element numeric vector of the form [numrows numcols].

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

Scale — Resize scale factor

positive number | 2-element vector of positive numbers

Resize scale factor, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Scale' and a positive number or 2-element vector of positive numbers.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

Output Arguments

J — Resized image

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Resized image, returned as a numeric or logical array of the same class as the input image, I.

If the image is resized using a GPU, then J is returned as a gpuArray containing a numeric array.

Y — Resized indexed image

numeric array

Resized indexed image, returned as a numeric array of the same class as the input indexed image, X.

newmap — Optimized colormap

c-by-3 numeric array

Optimized colormap, returned as an *c*-by-3 numeric array.

Tips

- The function `imresize` changed in version 5.4 (R2007a). Previous versions of the Image Processing Toolbox used a different algorithm by default. If you need the same results produced by the previous implementation, use the function `imresize_old`.
- There is a slight numerical difference between the results of `imresize` on the CPU and the GPU. These differences occur on the right and bottom borders of the image and are barely noticeable to the naked eye.
- If the size of the output image is not an integer, then `imresize` does not use the scale specified. `imresize` uses `ceil` when calculating the output image size.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imresize` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- Syntaxes that support indexed images are not supported, including the named parameters 'Colormap' and 'Dither'.
- Custom interpolation kernels are not supported.
- All name-value pairs must be compile-time constants.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `gpuArray` input must be of type `single` or `double`.
- Only bicubic interpolation is supported on GPU and the function always performs antialiasing.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`imresize3` | `imrotate` | `imtransform` | `interp2` | `tformarray`

Introduced before R2006a

imresize3

Resize 3-D volumetric intensity image

Syntax

```
B = imresize3(V, scale)
B = imresize3(V, [numrows numcols numplanes])
B = imresize3( ___, method)
B = imresize3( ___, Name, Value)
```

Description

`B = imresize3(V, scale)` returns the volume `B` that is `scale` times the size of `V`. The input volume `V` must be a 3-D volumetric intensity image (called a volume). By default, `imresize3` uses cubic interpolation.

`B = imresize3(V, [numrows numcols numplanes])` returns the volume `B` that has the number of rows, columns, and planes specified by the three-element vector `[numrows numcols numplanes]`.

`B = imresize3(___, method)` returns the volume `B`, where `method` specifies the interpolation method used.

`B = imresize3(___, Name, Value)` returns a resized volume where `Name, Value` pairs control aspects of the operation.

Examples

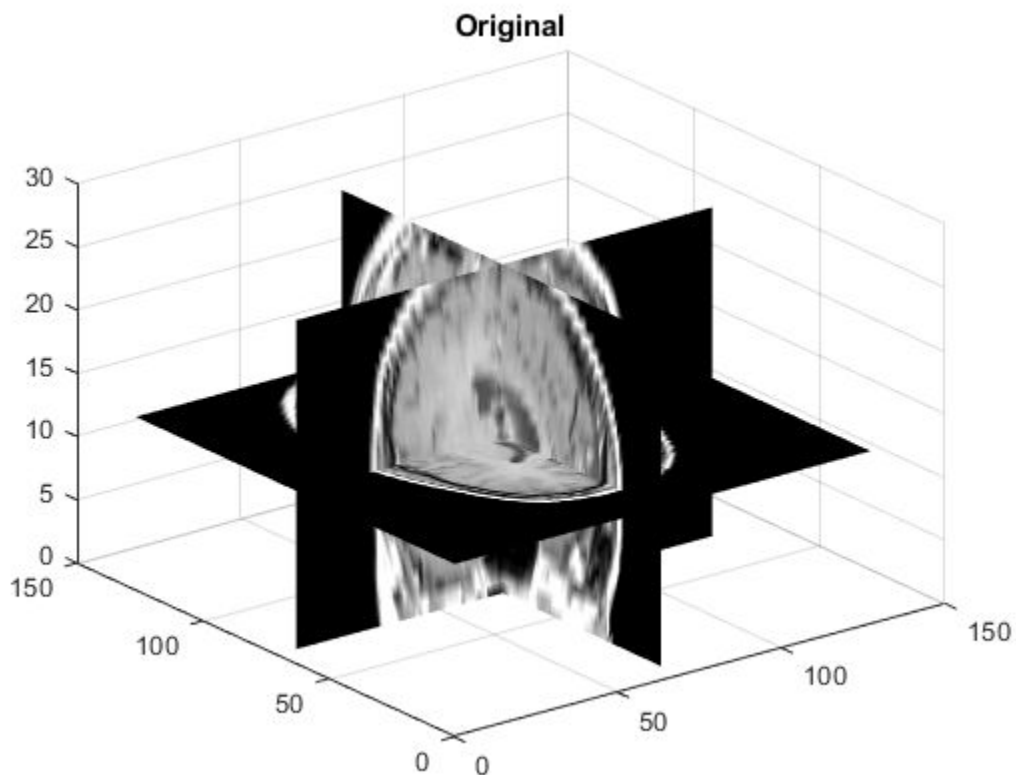
Resize 3-D Volumetric Image

Read MRI volume into the workspace.

```
s = load('mri');  
mriVolumeOriginal = squeeze(s.D);  
size0 = size(mriVolumeOriginal);
```

Visualize the volume.

```
figure;  
slice(double(mriVolumeOriginal),size0(2)/2,size0(1)/2,size0(3)/2);  
shading interp, colormap gray;  
title('Original');
```

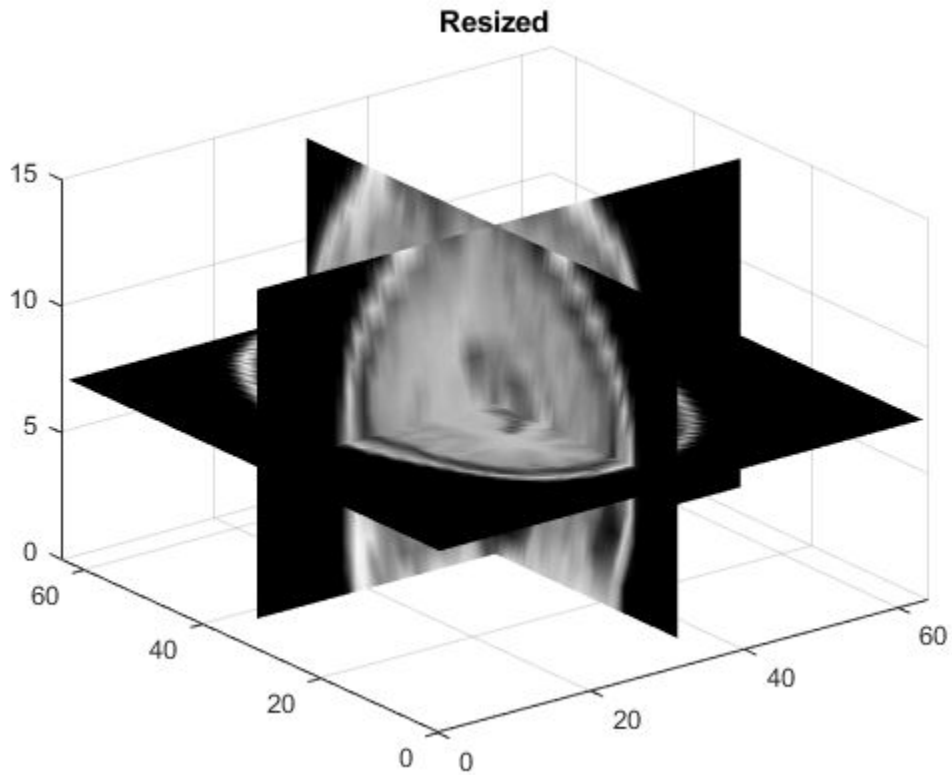


Resize the volume, reducing the size all all dimensions by one-half. This example uses the default interpolation method and antialiasing.

```
mriVolumeResized = imresize3(mriVolumeOriginal, 0.5);  
sizeR = size(mriVolumeResized);
```

Visualize the resized volume.

```
figure;  
slice(double(mriVolumeResized),sizeR(2)/2,sizeR(1)/2,sizeR(3)/2);  
shading interp, colormap gray;  
title('Resized');
```



Input Arguments

V — Volume to be resized

3-D volumetric intensity image

Volume to be resized, specified as a 3-D volumetric intensity image. `V` is numeric array with three dimensions.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

scale — Scale factor

numeric scalar

Scale factor, specified as a numeric scalar. To make the resized volume smaller than the input volume, specify a `scale` value from 0 through 1.0. To make the resized volume bigger than the input volume, specify a `scale` value greater than 1.0.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

[numrows numcols numplanes] — Size of output volume

three-element vector of real, positive, numeric values

Size of output image, specified as a three-element vector of real, positive, numeric values, in the form `[rows columns planes]`. If you specify one numeric value and the other two values as NaNs, `imresize3` computes the other two elements automatically to preserve the aspect ratio.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

method — Interpolation method

'cubic' (default) | 'nearest' | 'linear' | 'box' | 'triangle' | 'lanczos2' | 'lanczos3'

Interpolation method, specified as one of the values in the following table that identifies a general method or a named interpolation kernel.

Method	Description
'nearest'	Nearest-neighbor interpolation
'linear'	Linear interpolation

Method	Description
'cubic'	Cubic interpolation <hr/> Note Cubic interpolation can produce pixel values outside the original range. <hr/>
Interpolation Kernel	Description
'box'	Box-shaped kernel
'triangle'	Triangular kernel (equivalent to 'linear')
'lanczos2'	Lanczos-2 kernel
'lanczos3'	Lanczos-3 kernel

Data Types: char | string

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

```
Example: mriVolumeResized = imresize3(mristack,  
0.5, 'Antialiasing', false);
```

Antialiasing — Perform antialiasing when shrinking a volume

true | false

Perform antialiasing when shrinking a volume, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Antialiasing' and the logical Boolean value `true` or `false`. The default value depends on the interpolation method. If the method is nearest-neighbor ('nearest'), the default is `false`. For all other interpolation methods, the default is `true`.

Data Types: logical

Method — Interpolation method

'cubic' (default) | character vector

Interpolation method, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Method' and string scalar or character vector. For details, see `method`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

OutputSize — Size of output volume

three-element numeric vector of positive values

Size of the output volume, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'OutputSize' and a three-element numeric vector of positive values, of the form [`rows cols planes`]. For details, see [`numrows numcols numplanes`].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Scale — Resize scale factor

numeric scalar or three-element vector of positive values

Resize scale factor, specified as a numeric scalar or three-element vector of positive values. If it is a scalar, the same scale factor is applied to each dimension. If it is a vector, it contains the scale factors for the row, column, and plane dimensions, respectively.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

B — Resized volume

real, nonsparse numeric array

Resized volume, returned as a real, nonsparse numeric array, the same class as the input volume.

See Also

`imresize` | `imrotate` | `imrotate3` | `imwarp`

Introduced in R2017a

imroi class

Region-of-interest (ROI) base class

Description

The `imroi` class is an abstract base class that specifies the Image Processing Toolbox interface for working with regions of interest (ROIs). You can use classes that inherit from the `imroi` interface to create interactive ROIs over an image.

The `imroi` class is a `handle` class.

Class Attributes

Abstract

`true`

For information on class attributes, see “Class Attributes” (MATLAB).

Creation

The `imroi` class is abstract, and creating an instance of the `imroi` class is not allowed. To learn how to create an ROI object from a concrete subclass of `imroi`, see `imellipse`, `imfreehand`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect`.

Properties

Deletable — ROI can be deleted

`true` (default) | `false`

ROI can be deleted, specified as `true` or `false`.

Attributes:

GetAccess

public

SetAccess

public

Data Types: logical

Methods

Public Methods

```
<infotypegroup type="method"> addNewPositionCallback createMask getColor  
getPosition getPositionConstraintFcn removeNewPositionCallback resume  
setColor setConstrainedPosition setPositionConstraintFcn wait </  
infotypegroup>
```

Specialized Operators and Functions

These methods specialize standard MATLAB operators and functions for objects in this class.

delete

See Also

imellipse | imfreehand | imline | impoint | impoly | imrect |
makeConstrainToRectFcn

Introduced in R2008a

addNewPositionCallback

Add new-position callback to ROI object

Note `addNewPositionCallback` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
id = addNewPositionCallback(h,fcn)
```

Description

`id = addNewPositionCallback(h,fcn)` adds the function handle `fcn` to the list of new-position callback functions of the ROI object `h`. Whenever the ROI object changes its position, each function in the list is called with the syntax:

```
fcn(pos)
```

`pos` is of the form returned by the object's `getPosition` method. The return value, `id`, is used only with `removeNewPositionCallback`.

Examples

Display Updated Position in Title

Create a rectangle ROI object. Display the position of the rectangle in the title. The title updates when you move the rectangle.

```
imshow('cameraman.tif')  
h = imrect(gca, [10 10 100 100]);  
addNewPositionCallback(h,@(p) title(mat2str(p,3)));
```

Now drag the rectangle using the mouse to observe the callback behavior.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imfreehand`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

fcn — Function handle

`handle`

Function handle, specified as a `handle`. The function must accept a numeric array as input. The array must have the same form as returned when calling `getPosition` on the object. For more information, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

Output Arguments

id — Identifier of new-position callback function

`struct`

Identifier of new-position callback function, returned as a `struct`.

See Also

`getPosition` | `getPositionConstraintFcn` | `imroi` | `makeConstrainToRectFcn` | `removeNewPositionCallback` | `setPositionConstraintFcn`

Topics

“Create Function Handle” (MATLAB)

“Anonymous Functions” (MATLAB)

“Parameterizing Functions” (MATLAB)

Introduced in R2008a

createMask

Create mask within image

Note `createMask` is not recommended. Use the `createMask` method associated with the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
BW = createMask(h)
BW = createMask(h,himage)
```

Description

`BW = createMask(h)` returns a mask, or binary image, with 1s inside the ROI object `h` and 0s everywhere else. The input image must be contained within the same axes as the ROI object.

“Create Binary Mask from Ellipse” on page 1-1914

`BW = createMask(h,himage)` returns a mask the same size as the image `himage`, with 1s inside the ROI object `h` and 0s everywhere else. This syntax is required when the axes that contains the ROI holds more than one image.

Examples

Create Binary Mask from Ellipse

Create an ellipse ROI.

```
imshow('coins.png');
e = imellipse;
```


Use the mouse to reshape and reposition the ellipse. Then, create a binary mask from the ROI. Pixels inside the ROI have the value 1, and pixels outside the ROI have the value 0. Display the mask in a new figure.

```
BW = createMask(e);  
figure; imshow(BW)
```

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

imellipse | imline | impoint | impoly | imrect

ROI object, specified as an imellipse, imline, impoint, impoly, or imrect object.

himage — Handle to image

handle

Handle to one image, specified as a handle.

Output Arguments

BW — Mask

binary matrix

Mask, returned as a binary matrix. The mask is the same size as the input image contained in the same axes as h, or the image himage.

See Also

imroi | regionfill | roifilt2

Topics

“Create a Binary Mask”

Introduced in R2008a

getAngleFromHorizontal

Return angle between Distance tool and horizontal axis

Note `getAngleFromHorizontal` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
angle = getAngleFromHorizontal(h)
```

Description

`angle = getAngleFromHorizontal(h)` returns the angle, in degrees, between the line defined by the Distance tool, `h`, and the horizontal axis.

Input Arguments

h — Distance tool

`imdistline`

Distance tool, specified as an `imdistline` object.

Output Arguments

angle — Angle

numeric scalar

Angle, returned as a numeric scalar in the range [0, 180] degrees.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

To understand how `indistline` calculates the angle returned by `getAngleToHorizontal`, draw an imaginary horizontal vector from the bottom endpoint of the distance line, extending to the right. The value returned by `getAngleToHorizontal` is the angle from this horizontal vector to the distance line, which can range from 0 to 180 degrees.

See Also

`getDistance`

Introduced before R2006a

getColor

Get color used to draw ROI object

Note `getColor` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
color = getColor(h)
```

Description

`color = getColor(h)` gets the color used to draw the ROI object `h`.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imfreehand`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

Output Arguments

color — RGB color value

3-element numeric vector

RGB color value, returned as a 3-element numeric vector.

See Also

`imroi` | `setColor`

Introduced before R2006a

getDistance

Return distance between endpoints of Distance tool

Note `getDistance` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
dist = getDistance(h)
```

Description

`dist = getDistance(h)` returns the distance between the endpoints of the Distance tool, `h`.

Input Arguments

h — Distance tool

`imdistline`

Distance tool, specified as an `imdistline` object.

Output Arguments

dist — Distance between endpoints

numeric scalar

Distance between endpoints, returned as a numeric scalar. The data units of the distance are determined by the `XData` and `YData` properties of the underlying image. By default, the distance is measured in pixels.

See Also

[getAngleFromHorizontal](#) | [getPosition](#)

Introduced before R2006a

getLabelHandle

Return handle to text label of Distance tool

Note `getLabelHandle` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
hlabel = getLabelHandle(h)
```

Description

`hlabel = getLabelHandle(h)` returns a handle to the text label of the Distance tool, `h`.

Input Arguments

h — Distance tool

`imdistline`

Distance tool, specified as an `imdistline` object.

Output Arguments

hlabel — Handle to text label

`handle`

Handle to text label, returned as a handle to a Text object.

See Also

Text

Introduced before R2006a

getLabelTextFormatter

Return format of text label of Distance tool

Note `getLabelTextFormatter` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
str = getLabelTextFormatter(h)
```

Description

`str = getLabelTextFormatter(h)` returns a character array specifying the format used to display the label text of the Distance tool, `h`.

Input Arguments

h — Distance tool

`imdistline`

Distance tool, specified as an `imdistline` object.

Output Arguments

str — Text format

character array

Text format of Distance tool label, returned as a character array in a format expected by `sprintf`.

See Also

`getLabelVisible` | `setLabelTextFormatter` | `setLabelVisible`

Introduced before R2006a

getLabelVisible

Return visibility of text label of Distance tool

Note `getLabelVisible` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
visible = getLabelVisible(h)
```

Description

`visible = getLabelVisible(h)` returns the visibility of the text label of the Distance tool, `h`.

Input Arguments

h — Distance tool

`imdistline`

Distance tool, specified as an `imdistline` object.

Output Arguments

visible — Label visibility

'on' | 'off'

Label visibility, returned as 'on' or 'off'.

See Also

`getLabelTextFormatter` | `setLabelTextFormatter` | `setLabelVisible`

Introduced before R2006a

getPosition

Return current position of ROI object

Note `getPosition` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
pos = getPosition(h)
```

Description

`pos = getPosition(h)` returns the current position of the ROI object, `h`.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imfreehand`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

Output Arguments

pos — Position of ROI object

numeric array

Position of the ROI object, returned as a numeric array. The shape of the array depends on the type of ROI object.

ROI Object	Returned position
<code>imellipse</code>	4-element vector of the form <code>[xmin ymin width height]</code> , representing the size and position of a bounding box around the ellipse. The initial size of the bounding box is <code>width-by-height</code> pixels. The upper-left corner of the box is at the <code>(x,y)</code> coordinate <code>(xmin,ymin)</code> .
<code>imfreehand</code>	n -by-2 matrix. The two columns define the x - and y -coordinates, respectively, of the n points along the boundary of the freehand region.
<code>imline</code>	2-by-2 matrix of the form <code>[x1 y1; x2 y2]</code> , representing the position of the two endpoints of the line.
<code>impoint</code>	1-by-2 vector of the form <code>[x y]</code> .
<code>impoly</code>	n -by-2 matrix. The two columns define the x - and y -coordinates, respectively, of each of the n vertices.
<code>imrect</code>	4-element vector of the form <code>[xmin ymin width height]</code> . The initial size of the rectangle is <code>width-by-height</code> pixels. The upper-left corner of the rectangle is at the <code>(x,y)</code> coordinate <code>(xmin,ymin)</code> .

See Also

`getPositionConstraintFcn` | `imroi` | `setPosition`

Introduced in R2008a

getPositionConstraintFcn

Return function handle to current position constraint function

Note `getPositionConstraintFcn` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
fcn = getPositionConstraintFcn(h)
```

Description

`fcn = getPositionConstraintFcn(h)` returns a function handle `fcn` to the current position constraint function of the ROI object `h`.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

Output Arguments

fcn — Function handle

handle

Function handle, returned as a handle. For more information, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

See Also

[getPosition](#) | [imroi](#) | [makeConstrainToRectFcn](#) | [setConstrainedPosition](#) | [setPositionConstraintFcn](#)

Introduced in R2008a

getVertices

Return vertices on perimeter of ellipse ROI object

Note `getVertices` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
v = getVertices(h)
```

Description

`v = getVertices(h)` returns a set of vertices that lie along the perimeter of an ellipse ROI object.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse` object.

Output Arguments

v — Vertices

n-by-2 matrix

Vertices, returned as an *n*-by-2 matrix. The two columns define the *x*- and *y*-coordinates, respectively, of each of the *n* vertices.

See Also

[getColor](#) | [getPosition](#) | [wait](#)

Introduced in R2007b

removeNewPositionCallback

Remove new-position callback from ROI object

Note `removeNewPositionCallback` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
removeNewPositionCallback(h,id)
```

Description

`removeNewPositionCallback(h,id)` removes the corresponding function from the new-position callback list of the ROI object, `h`.

Examples

Add and Remove New Position Callback

Create a line ROI object. Display the position of the line in the title. Use `addNewPositionCallback` to update the title each time you move the line.

```
imshow('pout.tif')  
h = imline(gca,[10 100],[100 100]);  
id = addNewPositionCallback(h,@(pos) title(mat2str(pos,3)));
```

Move the line to observe the callback behavior.

After observing the callback behavior, remove the callback. The title no longer changes when you move the line.

```
removeNewPositionCallback(h,id);
```

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

id — Identifier of new-position callback function

`struct`

Identifier of new-position callback function, specified as a `struct`.

See Also

`addNewPositionCallback` | `getPositionConstraintFcn` | `imroi` |
`makeConstrainToRectFcn` | `setPositionConstraintFcn`

Introduced in R2008a

resume

(Not recommended) Resume execution of MATLAB command line

Note `resume` is not recommended. For more information, see “Compatibility Considerations”.

Syntax

`resume(h)`

Description

`resume(h)` resumes execution of the MATLAB command line.

The `resume` function is useful when you need to exit `wait` from a callback function. When called after a call to `wait`, `resume` causes `wait` to return the ROI position or coordinates of vertices.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

Compatibility Considerations

resume is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2018b

Starting in R2018b, new ROI functions and classes replaced the existing ROI functions and objects, as described in the table. The new classes provide more functional

capabilities, such as face color transparency. The new classes also support events that you can use to respond to changes in your ROI such as moving or being clicked. Switch to the new ROIs to take advantage of the additional capabilities and flexibility. For more information on creating ROIs using the new ROI functions, see “ROI Creation Overview”.

Not Recommended	Recommended
<code>imellipse</code>	<code>drawellipse</code> or <code>drawcircle</code>
<code>imfreehand</code>	<code>drawassisted</code> or <code>drawfreehand</code>
<code>imline</code>	<code>drawline</code>
<code>impoint</code>	<code>drawpoint</code>
<code>impoly</code>	<code>drawpolygon</code> or <code>drawpolyline</code>
<code>imrect</code>	<code>drawrectangle</code>

The `resume` function operates on the old ROI objects and is no longer recommended. For the new ROI objects, you can define a custom wait function that blocks the MATLAB command line until you have finished positioning the ROI. The new ROI objects enable you to resume execution of the command line after several types of actions, such as clicking the ROI while pressing the Shift key or clicking a specific part of the ROI such as the label. For an example, see “Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”.

There are no plans to remove the old ROI objects or the `resume` function at this time.

See Also

Topics

“ROI Creation Overview”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2008a

setClosed

Set closure behavior of ROI object

Note `setClosed` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

`setClosed(h,TF)`

Description

`setClosed(h,TF)` sets whether the ROI object, `h`, is closed after the last point is selected.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imfreehand` | `impoly`

ROI object, specified as an `imfreehand` or `impoly` object.

TF — ROI object is closed

`true` | `false`

ROI object is closed, specified as `true` or `false`. When set to `true`, a straight line connect the endpoints of the ROI object to create a closed region. If set to `false`, the endpoints are not connected and the region is open.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

Introduced in R2007b

setColor

Set color used to draw ROI object

Note `setColor` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setColor(h,color)
```

Description

`setColor(h,color)` sets the color used to draw the ROI object `h`.

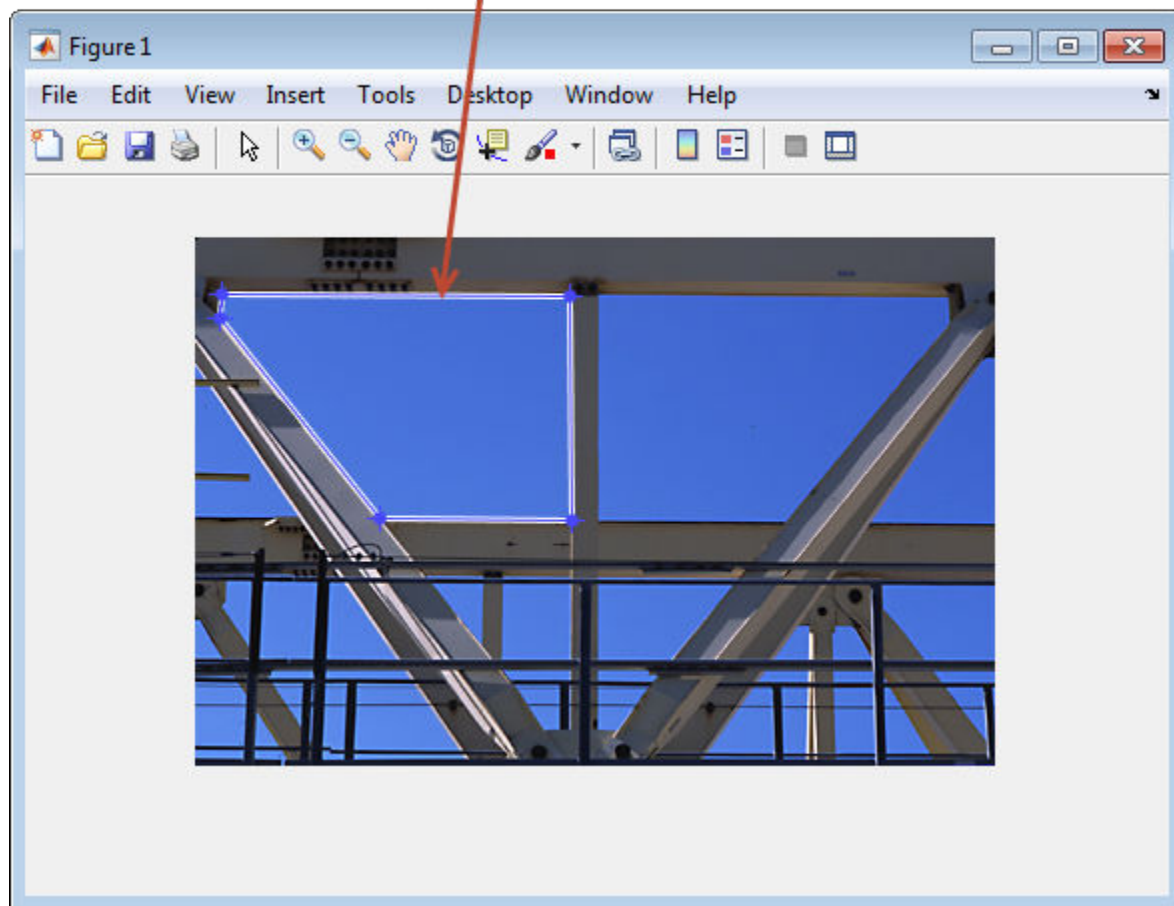
Examples

Set Color of Polygon ROI

Display an image. Draw a polygon on the image, specifying the location of five vertices.

```
imshow('gantrycrane.png')  
h = impoly(gca,[188,30; 189,142; 93,141; 13,41; 14,29]);
```

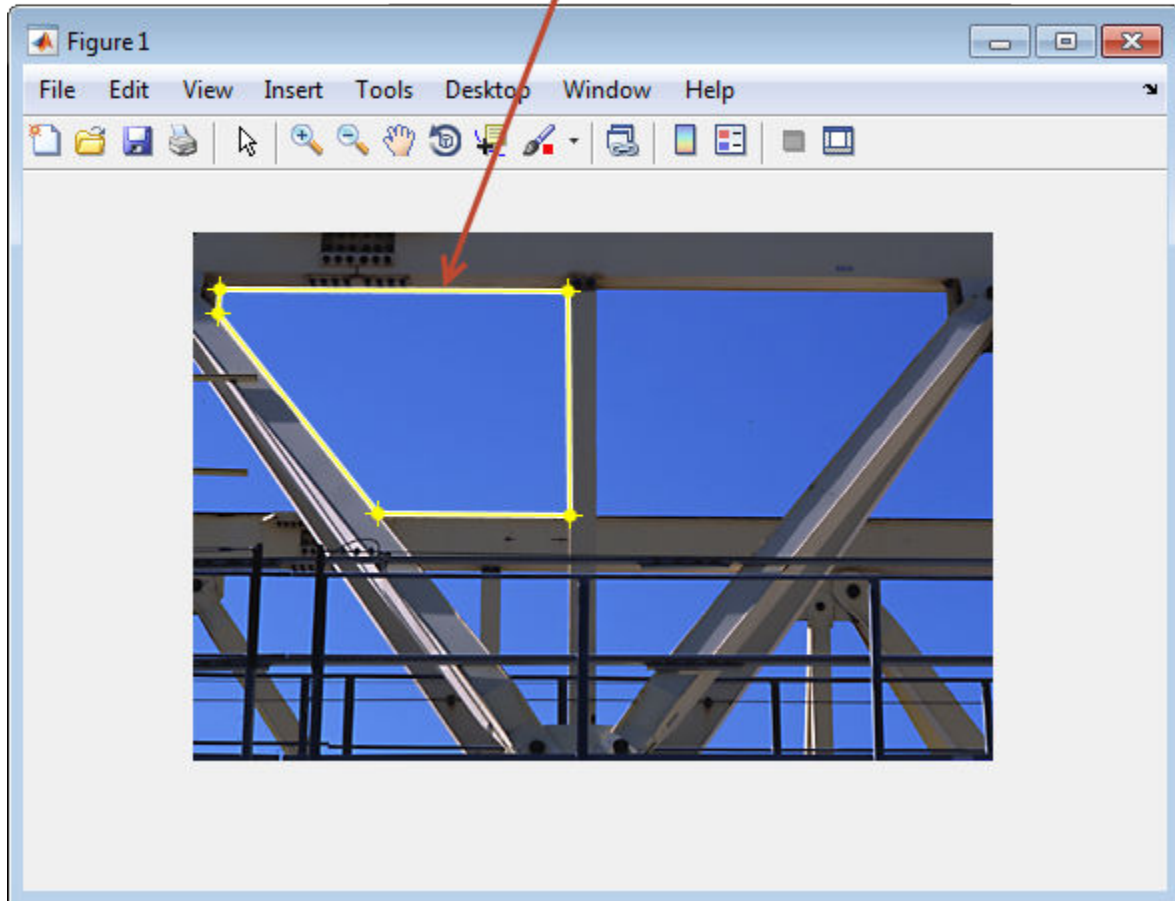
Polygon



Set the color of the polygon to yellow.

```
setColor(h, 'yellow');
```

Color of polygon changed to yellow



Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imfreehand`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

color — RGB color value

3-element numeric vector | predefined color name

RGB color value, specified as a 3-element numeric vector, or the long or short name of a predefined color, such as 'white' or 'w'. See `ColorSpec` for a list of predefined colors.

See Also

`ColorSpec` | `getColor` | `imroi`

Introduced in R2008a

setConstrainedPosition

Set ROI object to new position

Note `setConstrainedPosition` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

`setConstrainedPosition(h, pos)`

Description

`setConstrainedPosition(h, pos)` sets the ROI object `h` to a new position. The candidate position, `pos`, is subject to the position constraint function specified by `setPositionConstraintFcn`.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

pos — Candidate position of ROI object

numeric array

Candidate position of the ROI object, specified as a numeric array. The shape of the array depends on the type of ROI object, and is consistent with the form returned by the `setPosition` function.

ROI Object	Position
<code>imellipse</code>	4-element vector of the form <code>[xmin ymin width height]</code> , representing the new size and position of a bounding box around the ellipse. The new size of the bounding box is <code>width-by-height</code> pixels. The upper-left corner of the box is at the new <code>(x,y)</code> coordinate <code>(xmin,ymin)</code> .
<code>imline</code>	2-by-2 matrix of the form <code>[x1 y1; x2 y2]</code> , representing the new position of the two endpoints of the line.
<code>impoint</code>	1-by-2 vector of the form <code>[x y]</code> .
<code>impoly</code>	n -by-2 matrix. The two columns define the new x - and y -coordinates, respectively, of each of the n vertices.
<code>imrect</code>	4-element vector of the form <code>[xmin ymin width height]</code> . The new size of the rectangle is <code>width-by-height</code> pixels. The upper-left corner of the rectangle is at the new <code>(x,y)</code> coordinate <code>(xmin,ymin)</code> .

See Also

`getPosition` | `getPositionConstraintFcn` | `imroi` | `setPosition` | `setPositionConstraintFcn`

Introduced in R2008a

setFixedAspectRatioMode

Preserve aspect ratio when resizing ROI object

Note `setFixedAspectRatioMode` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setFixedAspectRatioMode(h,TF)
```

Description

`setFixedAspectRatioMode(h,TF)` sets whether the aspect ratio of the ROI object is preserved during interactive resizing.

Examples

Fix Aspect Ratio of Ellipse

Create an ellipse ROI object. Specify a position constraint function using `makeConstrainToRectFcn` to keep the ellipse inside the boundary of the image.

```
imshow('coins.png')
h = imellipse(gca,[10 10 100 100]);
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('imellipse',get(gca,'XLim'),get(gca,'YLim'));
setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn);
```

Try resizing and reshaping the ellipse.

Now, fix the aspect ratio of the ellipse.

```
setFixedAspectRatioMode(h,true);
```

Try resizing the ellipse. The aspect ratio of the ellipse does not change.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse` or `imrect` object.

TF — Fix aspect ratio

`true` | `false`

Fix the aspect ratio when resizing ROI object, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

`setResizable`

Introduced before R2006a

setLabelTextFormatter

Set format used to display text label of Distance tool

Note `setLabelTextFormatter` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setLabelTextFormatter(h, str)
```

Description

`setLabelTextFormatter(h, str)` sets the format used to display the label text of the Distance tool, `h`.

Examples

Format Label of Distance Tool

Display an image and create a Distance tool.

```
imshow('pout.tif')  
hline = imdistline(gca, [71 171], [108 150]);
```

Modify the format of the label to indicate that distance is measured in pixels.

```
setLabelTextFormatter(hline, '%02.0f pixels');
```

Input Arguments

h — Distance tool

`imdistline`

Distance tool, specified as an `imdistinguish` object.

str — Text format

character array

Text format of Distance tool label, specified as a character array in a format expected by `sprintf`.

See Also

`setLabelTextFormatter` | `getLabelVisible` | `setLabelVisible`

Introduced before R2006a

setLabelVisible

Set visibility of text label of Distance tool

Note `setLabelVisible` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setLabelVisible(h,TF)
```

Description

`setLabelVisible(h,TF)` sets the visibility of the text label of the Distance tool, `h`.

Input Arguments

h — Distance tool

```
imdistline
```

Distance tool, specified as an `imdistline` object.

TF — Text label is visible

```
true | false
```

Text label is visible, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

`getLabelTextFormatter` | `getLabelVisible` | `setLabelTextFormatter`

Introduced before R2006a

setPosition

Move ROI object to new position

Note `setPosition` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setPosition(h, pos)
setPosition(h, x, y)
```

Description

`setPosition(h, pos)` moves the position of the ROI object, `h`, to the location specified by `pos`.

`setPosition(h, x, y)` specifies the new `x`- and `y`-coordinates of points of a line or point ROI object.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

pos — New position of ROI object

numeric array

New position of the ROI object, specified as a numeric array. The shape of the array depends on the type of ROI object.

ROI Object	Position
<code>imellipse</code>	4-element vector of the form <code>[xmin ymin width height]</code> , representing the new size and position of a bounding box around the ellipse. The new size of the bounding box is <code>width-by-height</code> pixels. The upper-left corner of the box is at the new <code>(x,y)</code> coordinate <code>(xmin,ymin)</code> .
<code>imline</code>	2-by-2 matrix of the form <code>[x1 y1; x2 y2]</code> , representing the new position of the two endpoints of the line.
<code>impoint</code>	1-by-2 vector of the form <code>[x y]</code> .
<code>impoly</code>	n -by-2 matrix. The two columns define the new x - and y -coordinates, respectively, of each of the n vertices.
<code>imrect</code>	4-element vector of the form <code>[xmin ymin width height]</code> . The new size of the rectangle is <code>width-by-height</code> pixels. The upper-left corner of the rectangle is at the new <code>(x,y)</code> coordinate <code>(xmin,ymin)</code> .

x, y — New x- or y-coordinates of points

2-element vector | numeric scalar

New x - or y -coordinates of points.

- If `h` is an `imline` object, then `x` and `y` are 2-element vectors that represent the x - and y -coordinates of the two line endpoints.
- If `h` is an `impoint` object, then `x` and `y` are numeric scalars that represent the x - and y -coordinate of the single point.

See Also

`getPosition` | `setPositionConstraintFcn`

Introduced in R2008a

setPositionConstraintFcn

Set position constraint function of ROI object

Note `setPositionConstraintFcn` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn)
```

Description

`setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn)` sets the position constraint function of the ROI object `h` to be the specified function handle, `fcn`. Whenever the object is moved because of a mouse drag, the constraint function is called using the syntax:

```
constrained_position = fcn(pos)
```

Examples

Update Title when Rectangle Moves

Display a rectangle ROI over an image. Display the position of the rectangle in the title. The title updates when you move the rectangle. Try dragging one side of the rectangle outside the boundary of the image.

```
imshow('cameraman.tif')  
h = imrect(gca,[10 10 100 100]);  
addNewPositionCallback(h,@(p) title(mat2str(p,3)));
```

Specify a position constraint function using `makeConstrainToRectFcn` to keep the rectangle inside the original `XLim` and `YLim` ranges.

```
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('imrect',get(gca,'XLim'),get(gca,'YLim'));  
setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn);
```

Now drag the rectangle using the mouse. Observe that the rectangle can no longer extend past the image boundary.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

fcn — Function handle

`handle`

Function handle, specified as a handle. You can use the `makeConstrainToRectFcn` to create this function. The function must accept a numeric array as input, and it must return a numeric array as output. Both arrays must have the same form as returned when calling `getPosition` on the object. For more information, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

See Also

`addNewPositionCallback` | `getPosition` | `getPositionConstraintFcn` | `imroi` | `makeConstrainToRectFcn` | `setConstrainedPosition`

Topics

“Create Function Handle” (MATLAB)

“Anonymous Functions” (MATLAB)

“Parameterizing Functions” (MATLAB)

Introduced in R2008a

setResizable

Set resize behavior of ROI object

Note `setResizable` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setResizable(h,TF)
```

Description

`setResizable(h,TF)` sets whether the ROI object may be resized interactively.

Examples

Fix Size of Ellipse

Create an ellipse ROI object. Specify a position constraint function using `makeConstrainToRectFcn` to keep the ellipse inside the boundary of the image.

```
imshow('coins.png')
h = imellipse(gca,[10 10 100 100]);
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('imellipse',get(gca,'XLim'),get(gca,'YLim'));
setPositionConstraintFcn(h,fcn);
```

Click and drag with the mouse to try resizing, reshaping, and moving the ellipse.

Now, disable resizing the ellipse.

```
setResizable(h,false);
```

Click and drag the ellipse again. You can move it, but not change the size or shape of it.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imellipse` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imellipse` or `imrect` object.

TF — Enable resizing of ROI object

`true` | `false`

Enable resizing of ROI object, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

`setFixedAspectRatioMode`

Introduced before R2006a

setString

Set text label for point ROI object

Note `setString` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setString(h,text)
```

Description

`setString(h, text)` places a text label, `text`, to the lower right of the point ROI object, `h`.

Examples

Set Label of Point ROI

```
imshow('rice.png')  
h = impoint(gca,100,200);  
setString(h,'My point label');
```

Input Arguments

h — Point ROI object

`impoint`

Point ROI object, specified as an `impoint` object.

text — Text label

character vector

Text label, specified as a character vector.

Data Types: char

See Also

Introduced before R2006a

setVerticesDraggable

Set vertex behavior of ROI object

Note `setVerticesDraggable` is not recommended. Use one of the ROI classes instead, described in “ROI Creation Overview”.

Syntax

```
setVerticesDraggable(h,TF)
```

Description

`setVerticesDraggable(h,TF)` sets whether the vertices of the ROI object, `h`, can be dragged after placement.

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`impoly`

ROI object, specified as an `impoly` object.

TF — Polygon ROI vertices are draggable

`true` | `false`

Polygon ROI vertices are draggable, specified as `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

`getVertices`

Introduced in R2007b

wait

(Not recommended) Block MATLAB command line until ROI creation is finished

Note `wait` is not recommended. For more information, see “Compatibility Considerations”.

Syntax

```
pos = wait(h)
v = wait(he)
```

Description

`pos = wait(h)` blocks execution of the MATLAB command line until you finish positioning the ROI object `h`. Indicate completion by double-clicking on the ROI object. The function returns the position, `pos`, of the ROI object.

`v = wait(he)` blocks execution of the MATLAB command line until you finish positioning the ellipse ROI object `he`. Indicate completion by double-clicking on the ROI object. The function returns the coordinates of vertices, `v`, along the perimeter of the ellipse.

Examples

Click and Drag to Place Rectangle

Interactively place a rectangle by clicking and dragging. Use `wait` to block the MATLAB command line. Double-click on the rectangle to resume execution of the MATLAB command line.

```
imshow('pout.tif')
h = imrect;
position = wait(h)
```

Click and Drag to Place Ellipse

Interactively place an ellipse by clicking and dragging. Use `wait` to block the MATLAB command line. Double-click on the ellipse to resume execution of the MATLAB command line.

```
imshow('coins.png')  
h = imellipse;  
position = wait(h)
```

Input Arguments

h — ROI object

`imfreehand` | `imline` | `impoint` | `impoly` | `imrect`

ROI object, specified as an `imfreehand`, `imline`, `impoint`, `impoly`, or `imrect` object.

he — Ellipse ROI object

`imellipse`

Ellipse ROI object, specified as an `imellipse` object.

Output Arguments

pos — Position of ROI object

numeric array

Position of the ROI object, returned as a numeric array. The shape of the array depends on the type of ROI object, and is consistent with the output of `getPosition`.

ROI Object	Returned position
<code>imfreehand</code>	n -by-2 matrix. The two columns define the x - and y -coordinates, respectively, of the n points along the boundary of the freehand region.
<code>imline</code>	2-by-2 matrix of the form $[x1\ y1; x2\ y2]$, representing the position of the two endpoints of the line.
<code>impoint</code>	1-by-2 vector of the form $[x\ y]$.

ROI Object	Returned position
<code>impoly</code>	n -by-2 matrix. The two columns define the x - and y -coordinates, respectively, of each of the n vertices.
<code>imrect</code>	4-element vector of the form <code>[xmin ymin width height]</code> . The initial size of the rectangle is <code>width</code> -by- <code>height</code> pixels. The upper-left corner of the rectangle is at the (x,y) coordinate (x_{min},y_{min}) .

v — Vertices of ellipse ROI object

n -by-2 matrix

Vertices of ellipse ROI object, returned as an n -by-2 matrix. The two columns define the x - and y -coordinates, respectively, of each of the n vertices. The form of the matrix is consistent with the output of `getVertices`.

Compatibility Considerations

wait is not recommended

Not recommended starting in R2018b

Starting in R2018b, new ROI functions and classes replaced the existing ROI functions and objects, as described in the table. The new classes provide more functional capabilities, such as face color transparency. The new classes also support events that you can use to respond to changes in your ROI such as moving or being clicked. Switch to the new ROIs to take advantage of the additional capabilities and flexibility. For more information on creating ROIs using the new ROI functions, see “ROI Creation Overview”.

Not Recommended	Recommended
<code>imellipse</code>	<code>drawellipse</code> or <code>drawcircle</code>
<code>imfreehand</code>	<code>drawassisted</code> or <code>drawfreehand</code>
<code>imline</code>	<code>drawline</code>
<code>impoint</code>	<code>drawpoint</code>
<code>impoly</code>	<code>drawpolygon</code> or <code>drawpolyline</code>
<code>imrect</code>	<code>drawrectangle</code>

The `wait` function operates on the old ROI objects and is no longer recommended. For the new ROI objects, you can define a custom wait function that blocks the MATLAB command line until you have finished positioning the ROI. The new ROI objects enable you to resume execution of the command line after several types of actions, such as clicking the ROI while pressing the Shift key or clicking a specific part of the ROI such as the label. For an example, see “Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”.

There are no plans to remove the old ROI objects or the `wait` function at this time.

See Also

Topics

“ROI Creation Overview”

“Use Wait Function After Drawing ROI”

Introduced in R2008a

imrotate

Rotate image

Syntax

```
J = imrotate(I,angle)
J = imrotate(I,angle,method)
J = imrotate(I,angle,method,bbox)
```

Description

`J = imrotate(I,angle)` rotates image `I` by `angle` degrees in a counterclockwise direction around its center point. To rotate the image clockwise, specify a negative value for `angle`. `imrotate` makes the output image `J` large enough to contain the entire rotated image. `imrotate` uses nearest neighbor interpolation, setting the values of pixels in `J` that are outside the rotated image to 0 (zero).

You optionally can perform the rotation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = imrotate(I,angle,method)` rotates image `I`, using the interpolation method specified by `method`.

Note The 'bicubic' interpolation method may give slightly different results on a GPU and CPU.

`J = imrotate(I,angle,method,bbox)` rotates image `I`, where `bbox` specifies the size of the output image. If you specify 'crop', then `imrotate` makes the output image the same size as the input image. If you specify 'loose', then `imrotate` makes the output image large enough to include the entirety of the rotated image.

Examples

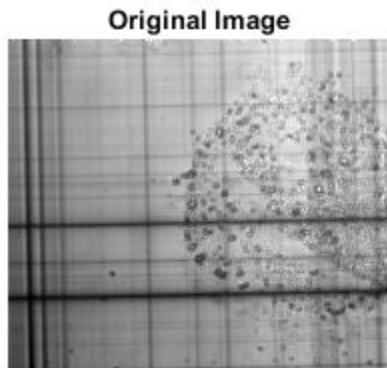
Rotate Image Clockwise for Better Horizontal Alignment

Read an image into the workspace, and convert it to a grayscale image.

```
I = fitsread('solarspectra.fits');  
I = rescale(I);
```

Display the original image.

```
figure  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```

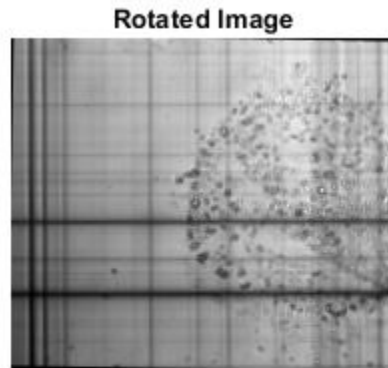


Rotate the image 1 degree clockwise to bring it into better horizontal alignment. The example specified bilinear interpolation and requests that the result be cropped to be the same size as the original image.

```
J = imrotate(I,-1,'bilinear','crop');
```

Display the rotated image.

```
figure  
imshow(J)  
title('Rotated Image')
```



Rotate Image on GPU

Read image into a `gpuArray` object.

```
X = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));
```

Rotate the image, performing the operation on the graphics processing unit (GPU).

```
Y = imrotate(X,37,'bilinear','loose');
```

Display the rotated image.

```
figure; imshow(Y)
```

Input Arguments

I — Image to be rotated

numeric array | logical array | `gpuArray`

Image to be rotated, specified as a numeric or logical array.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

angle — Amount of rotation in degrees

numeric scalar

Amount of rotation in degrees, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

method — Interpolation method

'nearest' (default) | 'bilinear' | 'bicubic'

Interpolation method, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'nearest'	Nearest-neighbor interpolation; the output pixel is assigned the value of the pixel that the point falls within. No other pixels are considered.
'bilinear'	Bilinear interpolation; the output pixel value is a weighted average of pixels in the nearest 2-by-2 neighborhood
'bicubic'	Bicubic interpolation; the output pixel value is a weighted average of pixels in the nearest 4-by-4 neighborhood
	Note Bicubic interpolation can produce pixel values outside the original range.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

bbox — Bounding box defining size of output image

'loose' (default) | 'crop'

Bounding box that defines the size of output image, specified as either of the following values:

Value	Description
'crop'	Make output image J the same size as the input image I, cropping the rotated image to fit.
'loose'	Make output image J large enough to contain the entire rotated image. J is larger than I.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

J — Rotated image

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Rotated image, returned as a numeric or logical array.

If the image is rotated using a GPU, then J is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric or logical array.

Tips

- This function changed in version 9.3 (R2015b). Previous versions of the Image Processing Toolbox use different spatial conventions. If you need the same results produced by the previous implementation, use the function `imrotate_old`.
- In some instances, this function takes advantage of hardware optimization for data types `uint8`, `uint16`, `single`, and `double` to run faster.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imrotate` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imrotate` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The `method` and `bbox` arguments must be compile-time constants.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- The 'bicubic' interpolation mode used in the GPU implementation of this function differs from the default (CPU) bicubic mode. The GPU and CPU versions of this function are expected to give slightly different results.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`imcrop` | `imresize` | `imrotate3` | `imtransform` | `tformarray`

Introduced before R2006a

imrotate3

Rotate 3-D volumetric grayscale image

Syntax

```
B = imrotate3(V,angle,W)
B = imrotate3(V,angle,W,method)
B = imrotate3(V,angle,W,method,bbox)
B = imrotate3( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imrotate3(V,angle,W)` rotates the 3-D volumetric grayscale image `V` (referred to as a volume) by `angle` degrees counterclockwise around an axis passing through the origin $[0 \ 0 \ 0]$. `W` is a 1-by-3 vector which specifies the direction of the axis of rotation in 3-D space. By default, `imrotate3` uses trilinear interpolation and sets the values of voxels in `B` that are outside the boundaries of the rotated volume to 0.

`B = imrotate3(V,angle,W,method)` rotates the volume `V`, where `method` specifies the interpolation method.

`B = imrotate3(V,angle,W,method,bbox)` rotates the volume `V`, where `bbox` specifies the size of the output volume. If you specify 'crop', `imrotate3` makes the output volume the same size as the input volume. If you specify 'loose', `imrotate3` makes the output volume large enough to include the entirety of the rotated volume.

`B = imrotate3(____,Name,Value)` specifies additional parameters that control various aspects of the geometric transformation. Parameter names can be abbreviated.

Examples

Rotate 3-D Volume

Load a 3-D volumetric grayscale image into the workspace, and display it.

```
s = load('mri');  
mriVolume = squeeze(s.D);  
volshow(mriVolume);
```



Rotate the volume 90 degrees around the Z axis.

```
B = imrotate3(mriVolume,90,[0 0 1],'nearest','loose','FillValues',0);
```

Display the rotated output volume. You can also explore the volume in the Volume Viewer app.

```
volshow(B);
```



Input Arguments

V — Volume to be rotated

3-D volumetric grayscale image

Volume to be rotated, specified as a 3-D volumetric grayscale image.

`imrotate3` assumes that the input volume *V* is centered on the origin $[0 \ 0 \ 0]$. If your volume is not centered on the origin, use `imtranslate` to translate the volume to $[0 \ 0 \ 0]$ before using `imrotate3`. You can translate the output volume *B* back to the original position with the opposite translation vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

angle — Rotation angle in degrees

numeric scalar

Rotation angle in degrees, specified as numeric scalar. To rotate the volume clockwise, specify a negative value for `angle`. `imrotate3` makes the output volume B large enough to contain the entire rotated 3-D volume.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

W — Direction of the axis of rotation in 3-D space in Cartesian coordinates

1-by-3 vector of numeric values

Direction of the axis of rotation in 3-D space in Cartesian coordinates, specified as a 1-by-3 vector of numeric values.

If you want to specify the direction of the axis of rotation in spherical coordinates, use `sph2cart` to convert values to Cartesian coordinates before passing it to `imrotate3`.

Example: `[0 0 1]` rotate the volume around the Z axis

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

method — Interpolation method

'linear' (default) | 'cubic' | 'nearest'

Interpolation method, specified as one of the following values.

Method	Description
'cubic'	Tricubic interpolation
	Note Tricubic interpolation can produce pixel values outside the original range.
'linear'	Trilinear interpolation
'nearest'	Nearest neighbor interpolation

Data Types: `char` | `string`

bbox — Size of the output volume

'loose' (default) | 'crop'

Size of the output volume, specified as either of the following values.

Method	Description
'crop'	Make the output volume the same size as the input volume, cropping the rotated volume to fit.
'loose'	Make the output volume large enough to contain the entire rotated volume. Usually, the rotated volume is larger than the input volume.

Data Types: char | string

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = imrotate3(V,angle,W,'nearest','loose','FillValues',5);`

FillValues — Value used to fill voxels in the output volume that are outside the limits of the rotated volume

0 (default) | numeric scalar

Value used to fill voxels in the output volume that are outside the limits of the rotated volume, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FillValues' and a numeric scalar.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | logical

Output Arguments**B — Rotated volume**

numeric array

Rotated volume, returned as a numeric array the same class as the input volume.

See Also

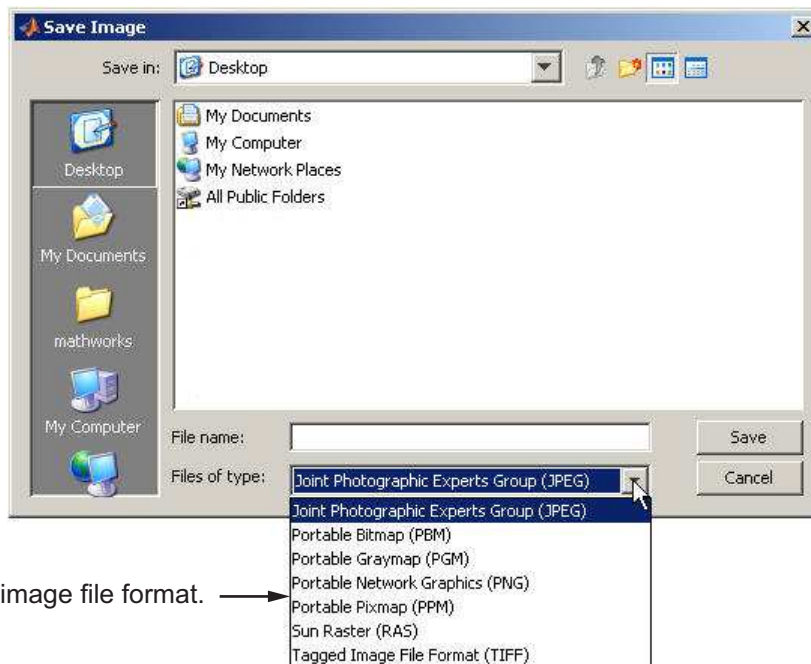
Volume Viewer | `imresize` | `imresize3` | `imrotate` | `imtranslate` | `imwarp`

Introduced in R2017a

imsave

Save Image Tool

Use the `imsave` function to create a Save Image tool. The Save Image tool displays an interactive file chooser dialog box (shown below) in which you can specify a path and filename. When you click **Save**, the Save Image tool writes the target image to a file using the image file format you select in the Files of Type menu. For more information about using the tool, see “Tips” on page 1-1979.



Syntax

```
imsave
imsave(h)
[filename,user_canceled] = imsave( ___ )
```

Description

`imsave` creates a Save Image tool in a separate figure that is associated with the image in the current figure, called the target image.

`imsave(h)` creates a Save Image tool associated with the image specified by the handle `h`.

`[filename,user_canceled] = imsave(___)` returns the full path to the file selected in `filename` and indicates whether you canceled the save operation.

Examples

Save Displayed Image

```
imshow peppers.png
imsave
```

Input Arguments

h — Handle to graphics object

handle

Handle to a figure, axes, uipanel, or image graphics object, specified as a handle. If `h` is an axes or figure handle, `imsave` uses the first image returned by `findobj(H,'Type','image')`.

Output Arguments

filename — Full path to file

character vector | ''

Full path to file, returned as a character vector. If you cancel the save operation, `filename` is returned as an empty character array, ''.

user_canceled — User canceled operation

false (default) | true

User canceled operation, returned as `false` or `true`. If you press the **Cancel** button or close the save window, `imsave` sets `user_canceled` to `true`; otherwise, `false`.

Tips

- In contrast to the **Save as** option in the figure **File** menu, the Save Image tool saves only the image displayed in the figure. The **Save as** option in the figure window File menu saves the entire figure window, not just the image.
- `imsave` uses `imwrite` to save the image, using default options.
- If you specify a filename that already exists, `imsave` displays a warning message. Select **Yes** to use the filename or **No** to return to the dialog to select another filename. If you select **Yes**, the Save Image tool attempts to overwrite the target file.
- The Save Image tool is modal; it blocks the MATLAB command line until you respond.

See Also

`imformats` | `imgetfile` | `imputfile` | `imwrite`

Introduced in R2007b

imscrollpanel

Scroll panel for interactive image navigation

Use the `imscrollpanel` function to add a scroll panel to an image. If the size or magnification makes an image too large to display in a figure on the screen, then the scroll panel displays a portion of the image at 100% magnification (one screen pixel represents one image pixel). The scroll panel adds horizontal and vertical scroll bars to enable navigation around the image.

Syntax

```
hpanel = imscrollpanel(hparent,himage)
```

Description

`hpanel = imscrollpanel(hparent,himage)` creates a scroll panel containing the target image (the image to be navigated). `himage` is a handle to the target image. `hparent` is a handle to the figure or uipanel that will contain the scroll panel. The function returns `hpanel`, a handle to the scroll panel.

Examples

Create Scroll Panel with Magnification Box and Overview Tool

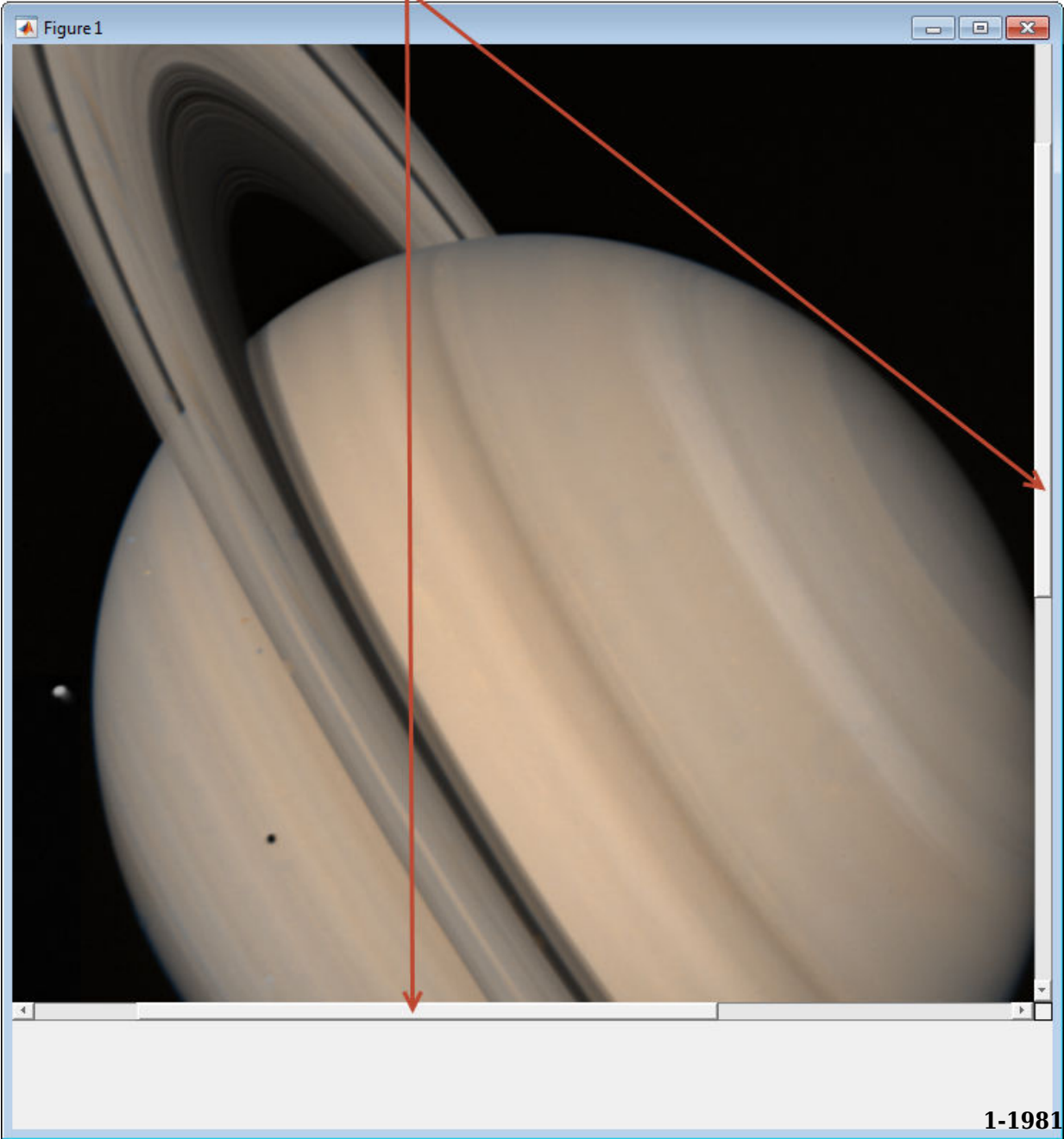
Display an image in a figure. The example suppresses the standard toolbar and menubar in the figure window because these do not work with the scroll panel.

```
hFig = figure('Toolbar','none',...  
            'Menubar','none');  
hIm = imshow('saturn.png');
```

Create a scroll panel to contain the image.

```
hSP = imscrollpanel(hFig,hIm);  
set(hSP,'Units','normalized','Position',[0 .1 1 .9])
```

Note addition of scroll bars.

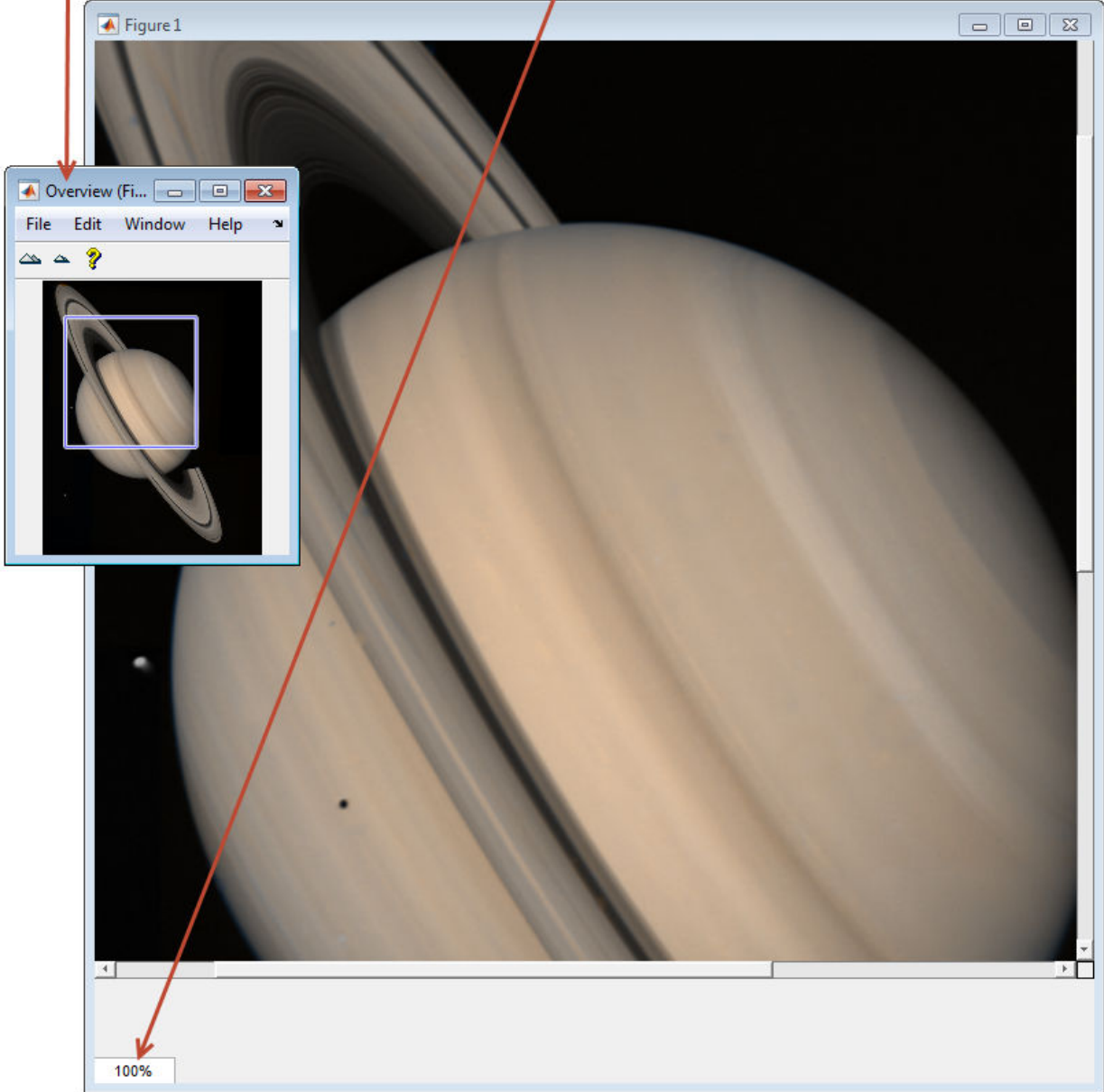


Add a Magnification Box and an Overview tool to the figure.

```
hMagBox = immagbox(hFig,hIm);  
pos = get(hMagBox,'Position');  
set(hMagBox,'Position',[0 0 pos(3) pos(4)])  
imoverview(hIm)
```

Overview tool

Magnification box



Get the scroll panel API so that you can control the view programmatically.

```
api = iptgetapi(hSP);
```

Get the current magnification and position.

```
mag = api.getMagnification()
r = api.getVisibleImageRect()
```

```
mag =
```

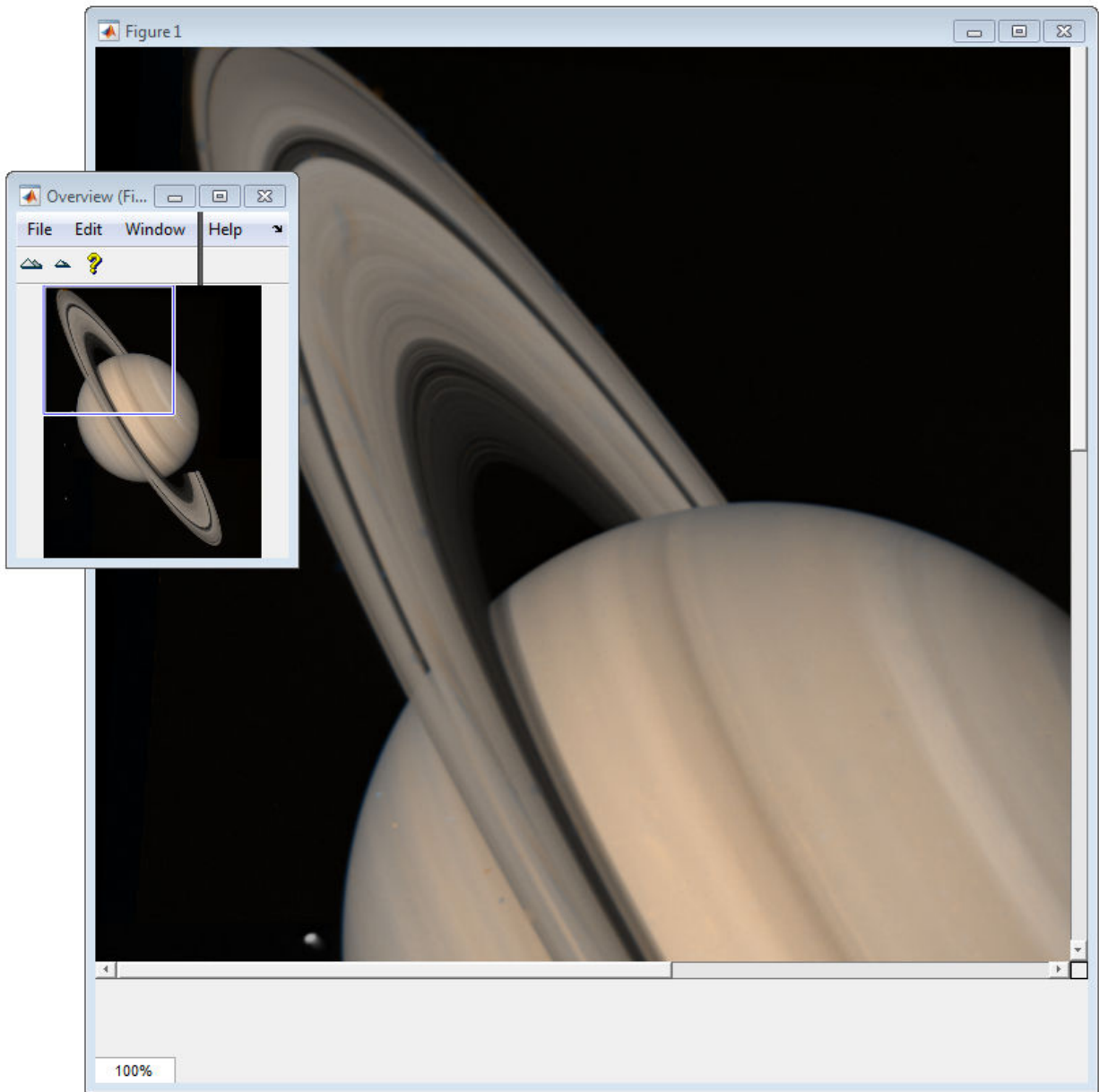
```
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```

```
r =
```

```
125.0072 201.5646 716.0000 709.0000
```

Use the scroll panel object API function `setVisibleLocation` to view the top left corner of the image.

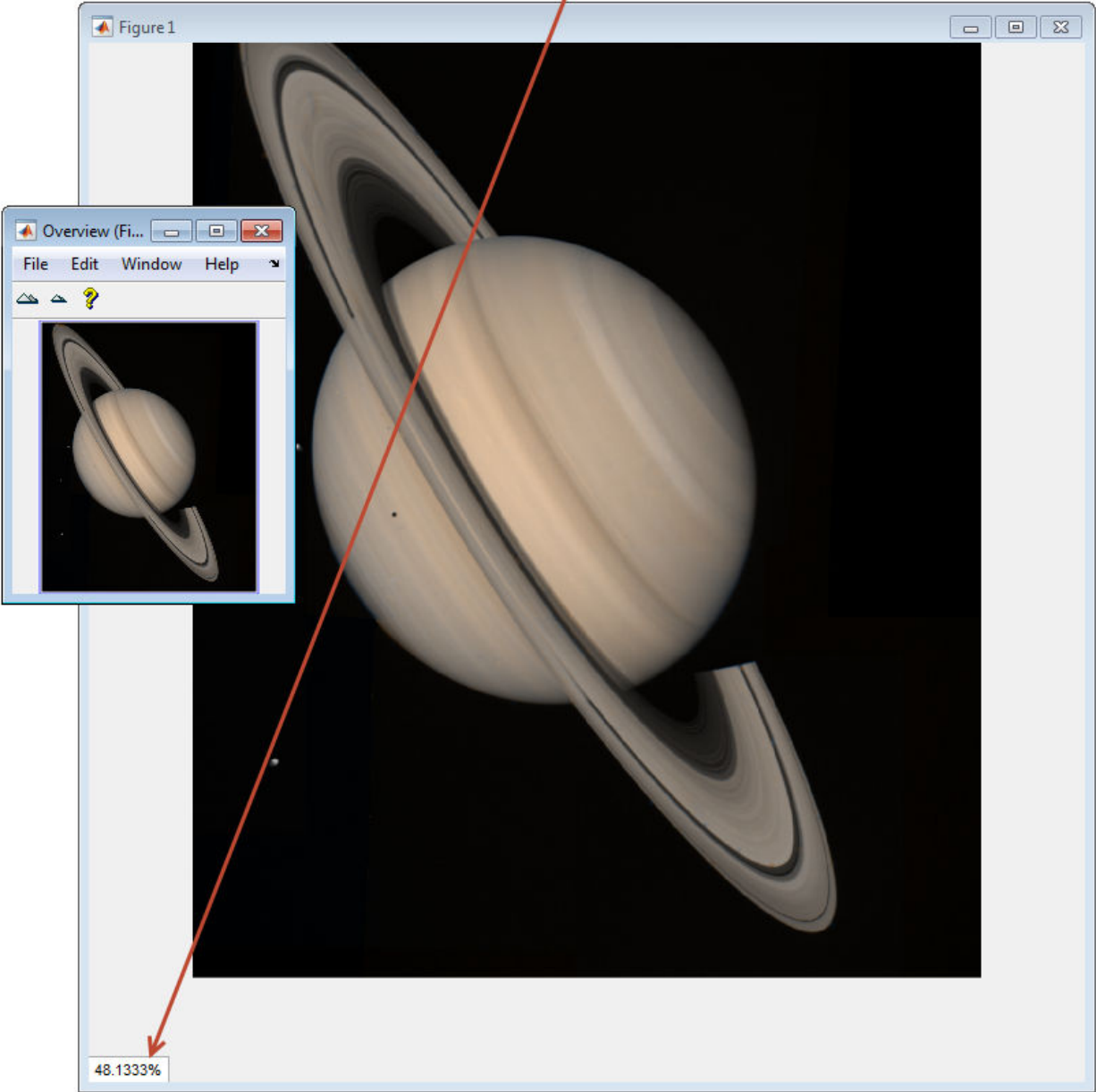
```
api.setVisibleLocation(0.5,0.5)
```



Change the magnification of the image so that the image fits entirely in the scroll panel. In the following figure, note that the scroll bars are no longer visible.

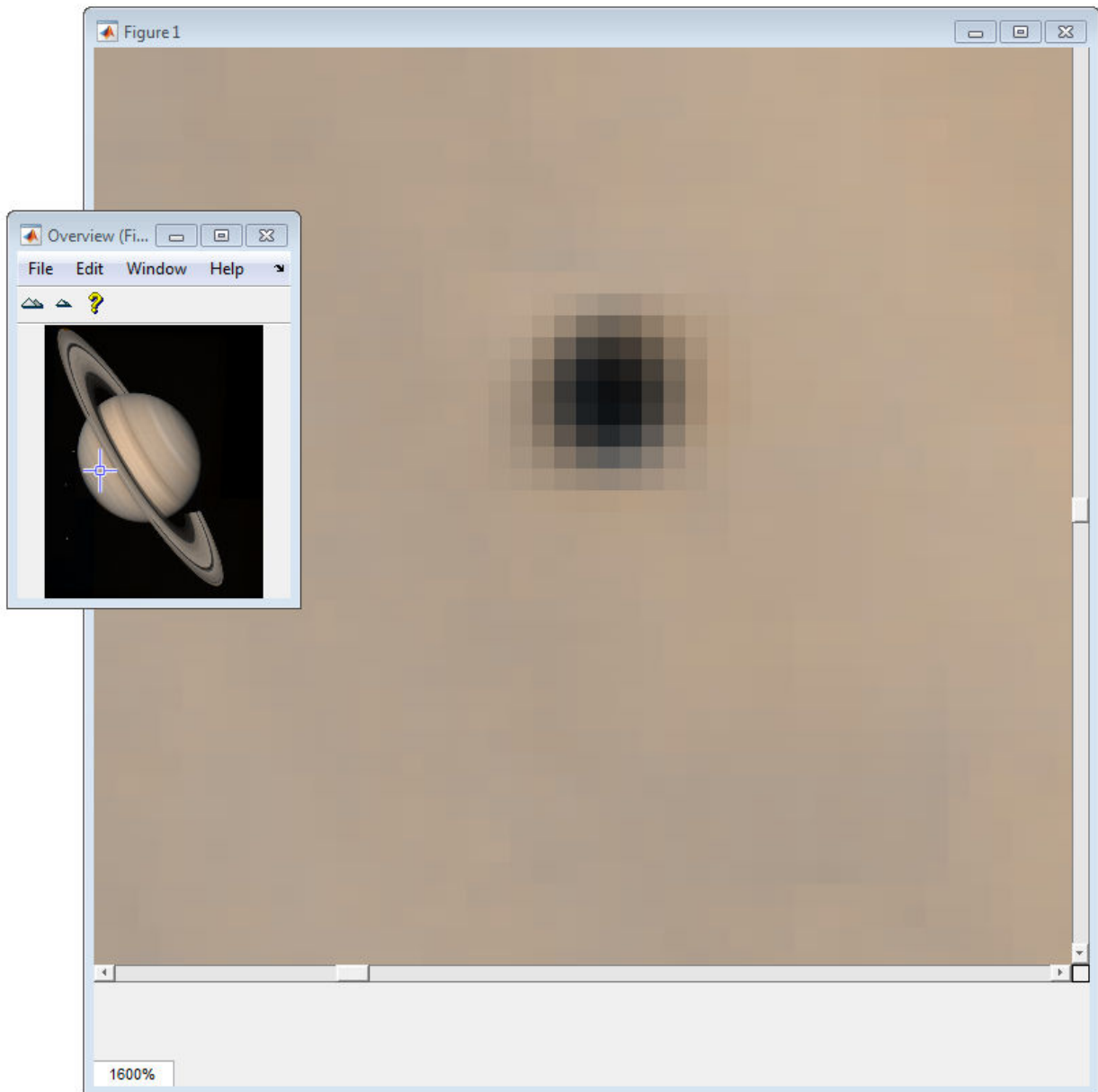
```
api.setMagnification(api.findFitMag())
```


Magnification changed to fit image completely in the figure.



Zoom in to 1600% on the dark spot.

```
api.setMagnificationAndCenter(16,306,800)
```



Input Arguments

hparent — Handle to figure or uipanel object
handle

Handle to a figure or uipanel object that contains the scroll panel, specified as a handle.

himage — Handle to target image

handle

Handle to target image, specified as a handle.

Output Arguments

hpanel — Handle to scroll panel

handle

Handle to scroll panel, returned as a handle. A scroll panel is a type of uipanel object.

Definitions

Scroll Panel API Structure

A scroll panel contains a structure of function handles, called an API. You can use the functions in this API to manipulate the scroll panel. To retrieve this structure, use the `iptgetapi` function, as in the following example.

```
api = iptgetapi(hpanel)
```

This table lists the scroll panel API functions, in the order they appear in the structure.

Function	Description
<code>setMagnification</code>	Set the magnification of the target image in units of screen pixels per image pixel. <code>mag = api.setMagnification(new_mag)</code> <code>new_mag</code> is a scalar magnification factor.

Function	Description
getMagnification	<p>Return the current magnification factor of the target image in units of screen pixels per image pixel.</p> <pre>mag = api.getMagnification()</pre> <p>Multiply mag by 100 to convert to percentage. For example if mag is 2, then the magnification is 200%.</p>
setMagnificationAndCenter	<p>Change the magnification and make the point with (x,y) coordinate (cx,cy) in the target image appear in the center of the scroll panel. This operation is equivalent to a simultaneous zoom and recenter.</p> <pre>api.setMagnificationAndCenter(mag,cx,cy)</pre>
findFitMag	<p>Return the magnification factor that would make the target image just fit in the scroll panel.</p> <pre>mag = api.findFitMag()</pre>
setVisibleLocation	<p>Move the target image so that the specified location is visible, and update the scroll bars.</p> <pre>api.setVisibleLocation(xmin, ymin) api.setVisibleLocation([xmin ymin])</pre>
getVisibleLocation	<p>Return the location of the currently visible portion of the target image.</p> <pre>loc = api.getVisibleLocation()</pre> <p>loc is a vector [xmin ymin].</p>
getVisibleImageRect	<p>Return the current visible portion of the image.</p> <pre>r = api.getVisibleImageRect()</pre> <p>r is a rectangle [xmin ymin width height].</p>

Function	Description
<code>addNewMagnificationCallback</code>	<p>Add the function handle <code>fcn</code> to the list of new-magnification callback functions.</p> <pre>id = api.addNewMagnificationCallback(fcn)</pre> <p>Whenever the scroll panel magnification changes, each function in the list is called with the syntax:</p> <pre>fcn(mag)</pre> <p><code>mag</code> is a scalar magnification factor.</p> <p>The return value, <code>id</code>, is used only with <code>removeNewMagnificationCallback</code>.</p>
<code>removeNewMagnificationCallback</code>	<p>Remove the corresponding function from the new-magnification callback list.</p> <pre>api.removeNewMagnificationCallback(id)</pre> <p><code>id</code> is the identifier returned by <code>addNewMagnificationCallback</code>.</p>
<code>addNewLocationCallback</code>	<p>Add the function handle <code>fcn</code> to the list of new-location callback functions.</p> <pre>id = api.addNewLocationCallback(fcn)</pre> <p>Whenever the scroll panel location changes, each function in the list is called with the syntax:</p> <pre>fcn(loc)</pre> <p><code>loc</code> is <code>[xmin ymin]</code>.</p> <p>The return value, <code>id</code>, is used only with <code>removeNewLocationCallback</code>.</p>

Function	Description
removeNewLocationCallback	<p>Remove the corresponding function from the new-location callback list.</p> <pre>api.removeNewLocationCallback(id)</pre> <p><code>id</code> is the identifier returned by <code>addNewLocationCallback</code>.</p>
replaceImage	<pre>api.replaceImage(...,PARAM1,VAL1,PARAM2,VAL2,...)</pre> <p>replaces the image displayed in the scroll panel.</p> <pre>api.replaceImage(I) api.replaceImage(BW) api.replaceImage(RGB) api.replaceImage(I,MAP) api.replaceImage(filename)</pre> <p>By default, the new image data is displayed centered, at 100% magnification. The image handle is unchanged.</p> <p>The parameters you can specify include many of the parameters supported by <code>imshow</code>, including 'Colormap', 'DisplayRange', and 'InitialMagnification'. In addition, you can use the 'PreserveView' parameter to preserve the current magnification and centering of the image during replacement. Specify the logical scalar <code>True</code> to preserve current centering and magnification. Parameter names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.</p>

Tips

- `imscrollpanel` changes the object hierarchy of the target image. Instead of the familiar `figure→axes→image` object hierarchy, `imscrollpanel` inserts several `uipanel` and `uicontrol` objects between the figure and the axes object.

- Scrollbar navigation as provided by `imscrollpanel` is incompatible with the default MATLAB figure navigation buttons (pan, zoom in, zoom out). The corresponding menu items and toolbar buttons should be removed in a custom GUI that includes a scrollable `uipanel` created by `imscrollpanel`.
- When you run `imscrollpanel`, it appears to take over the entire figure because, by default, an `uipanel` object has `'Units'` set to `'normalized'` and `'Position'` set to `[0 0 1 1]`. If you want to see other children of `hparent` while using your new scroll panel, you must manually set the `'Position'` property of `hpanel`.

See Also

`immagbox` | `imoverview` | `imoverviewpanel` | `imtool` | `iptgetapi`

Topics

“Adding Navigation Aids to a GUI”

Introduced before R2006a

imsegfmm

Binary image segmentation using Fast Marching Method

Syntax

```
BW = imsegfmm(W,mask,thresh)
BW = imsegfmm(W,C,R,thresh)
BW = imsegfmm(W,C,R,P,thresh)
[BW,D] = imsegfmm( ___ )
```

Description

`BW = imsegfmm(W,mask,thresh)` returns a segmented image `BW`, which is computed using the Fast Marching Method. The array `W` specifies weights for each pixel. `mask` is a logical array that specifies seed locations. `thresh` is a non-negative scalar in the range `[0 1]` that specifies the threshold level.

`BW = imsegfmm(W,C,R,thresh)` returns a segmented image, with seed locations specified by the vectors `C` and `R`, which contain column and row indices. `C` and `R` must contain values which are valid pixel indices in `W`.

`BW = imsegfmm(W,C,R,P,thresh)` returns a segmented image, with seed locations specified by the vectors `C`, `R`, and `P`, which contain column, row, and plane indices. `C`, `R`, and `P` must contain values which are valid pixel indices in `W`.

`[BW,D] = imsegfmm(___)` returns the normalized geodesic distance map `D` computed using the Fast Marching Method. `BW` is a thresholded version of `D`, where all the pixels that have normalized geodesic distance values less than `thresh` are considered foreground pixels and set to `true`. `D` can be thresholded at different levels to obtain different segmentation results.

Examples

Segment Image Using Fast Marching Method Algorithm

This example shows how to segment an object in an image using Fast Marching Method based on differences in grayscale intensity as compared to the seed locations.

Read image.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Create mask and specify seed location. You can also use `roipoly` to create the mask interactively.

```
mask = false(size(I));  
mask(170,70) = true;
```

Compute the weight array based on grayscale intensity differences.

```
W = graydiffweight(I, mask, 'GrayDifferenceCutoff', 25);
```

Segment the image using the weights.

```
thresh = 0.01;  
[BW, D] = imseghmm(W, mask, thresh);  
figure  
imshow(BW)  
title('Segmented Image')
```



You can threshold the geodesic distance matrix D using different thresholds to get different segmentation results.

```
figure  
imshow(D)  
title('Geodesic Distances')
```

Geodesic Distances



Segment Object in Volume Based on Intensity Differences

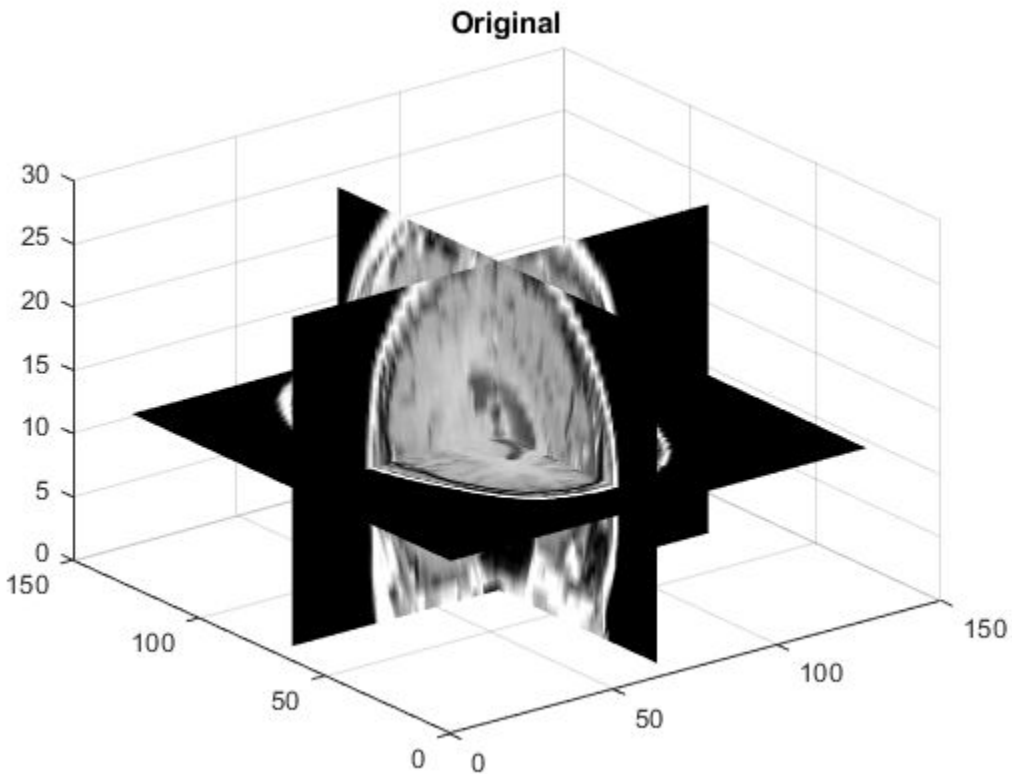
This example segments the brain from MRI data of the human head.

Load the MRI data.

```
load mri
V = squeeze(D);
```

Visualize the data.

```
size0 = size(V);
figure;
slice(double(V),size0(2)/2,size0(1)/2,size0(3)/2);
shading interp, colormap gray;
title('Original');
```



Set the seed locations.

```
seedR = 75;  
seedC = 60;  
seedP = 10;
```

Compute weights based on grayscale intensity differences.

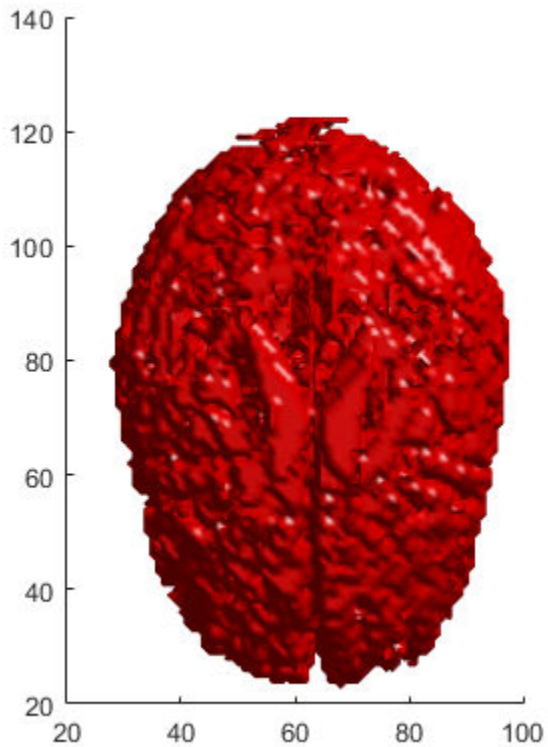
```
W = graydiffweight(V, seedC, seedR, seedP , 'GrayDifferenceCutoff', 25);
```

Segment the image using the weights.

```
thresh = 0.002;  
BW = imsefmm(W, seedC, seedR, seedP, thresh);
```

Visualize the segmented image using an iso surface.

```
figure;  
p = patch(isosurface(double(BW)));  
p.FaceColor = 'red';  
p.EdgeColor = 'none';  
daspect([1 1 27/64]);  
camlight;  
lighting phong;
```



Input Arguments

W — Weight array

nonsparse, non-negative numeric array

Weight array, specified as a nonsparse, non-negative numeric array. Use the `graydiffweight` or `gradientweight` functions to compute this weight array. High values in `W` identify the foreground (object) and low values identify the background.

Example: `W = graydiffweight(I, mask, 'GrayDifferenceCutoff', 25);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `int8` | `int16` | `uint16` | `int32` | `uint32`

mask — Seed locations mask

logical array

Seed locations mask, specified as a logical array, the same size as `W`. Locations where `mask` is true are seed locations. If you used `graydiffweight` to create the weight matrix `W`, it is recommended that you use the same value of `mask` with `imsegfmm` that you used with `graydiffweight`.

Example: `mask = false(size(I)); mask(170,70) = true;`

Data Types: `logical`

thresh — Threshold level used to obtain the binary image

non-negative scalar in the range `[0 1]`

Threshold level used to obtain the binary image, specified as a non-negative scalar in the range `[0 1]`. Low values typically result in large foreground regions (logical true) in `BW`, and high values produce small foreground regions.

Example: `0.5`

Data Types: `double`

C — Column index of reference pixels

numeric vector

Column index of reference pixels, specified as a numeric vector.

Example: `[50 75 93]`

Data Types: `double`

R — Row index of reference pixels

numeric vector

Row index of reference pixels, specified as a numeric vector.

Example: [48 71 89]

Data Types: double

P — Plane index of reference pixels

numeric vector

Plane index of reference pixels, specified as a numeric vector.

Example:]

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

BW — Segmented image

logical array

Segmented image, returned as a logical array of the same size as *W*.

Example:

Data Types: logical

D — Normalized geodesic distance map

double | single

Normalized geodesic distance map, returned as an array of double the same size as *W*. If *W* is of class `single`, *D* is of class `single`.

Tips

- `imsegfmm` uses double-precision floating point operations for internal computations for all classes except class `single`. If *W* is of class `single`, `imsegfmm` uses single-precision floating point operations internally.

- `imsefmm` sets pixels with 0 or NaN weight values to Inf in the geodesic distance image D. These pixels are part of the background (logical false) in the segmented image BW.

References

- [1] Sethian, J. A. *Level Set Methods and Fast Marching Methods: Evolving Interfaces in Computational Geometry, Fluid Mechanics, Computer Vision, and Materials Science*, Cambridge University Press, 2nd Edition, 1999.

See Also

Image Segmenter | `activecontour` | `gradientweight` | `graydiffweight` | `graydist`

Introduced in R2014b

imseggeodesic

Segment image into two or three regions using geodesic distance-based color segmentation

Syntax

```
L = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2)
L = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2,BW3)
[L,P] = imseggeodesic(____)
[L,P] = imseggeodesic(____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`L = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2)` segments the color image `RGB`, returning a segmented binary image with labels `L`. `BW1` and `BW2` are binary images that specify the location of the initial seed regions, called scribbles, for the two regions (foreground and background).

`imseggeodesic` uses the scribbles specified in `BW1` and `BW2` as representative samples for computing the statistics for their respective regions, which it then uses in segmentation. The scribbles specified by `BW1` and `BW2` (regions that are logical true) should not overlap. The underlying algorithm uses the statistics estimated over the regions marked by the scribbles for segmentation. The greater the number of pixels marked by scribbles, the more accurate the estimation of the region statistics, which typically leads to more accurate segmentation. Therefore, it is a good practice to provide as many scribbles as possible. Typically, provide at least a few hundred pixels as scribbles for each region.

`L = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2,BW3)` segments the color image `RGB`, returning a segmented image with three segments (trinary segmentation) with the region labels specified by label matrix `L`. `BW1`, `BW2`, and `BW3` are binary images that specify the location of the initial seed regions or scribbles for the three regions. The scribbles specified by `BW1`, `BW2`, and `BW3` (regions that are logical true) should not overlap.

`[L,P] = imseggeodesic(____)` also returns the probability for each pixel belonging to each of the labels in matrix `P`.

`[L,P] = imseggeodesic(____,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control aspects of segmentation.

Examples

Segment Image into Two Regions Using Color Information

Read image into workspace and display it.

```
RGB = imread('yellowlily.jpg');  
imshow(RGB,'InitialMagnification',50)  
hold on
```



Specify the initial seed regions or "scribbles" for the foreground object, in the form [left_topR left_topC bottom_rightR bottom_rightC].

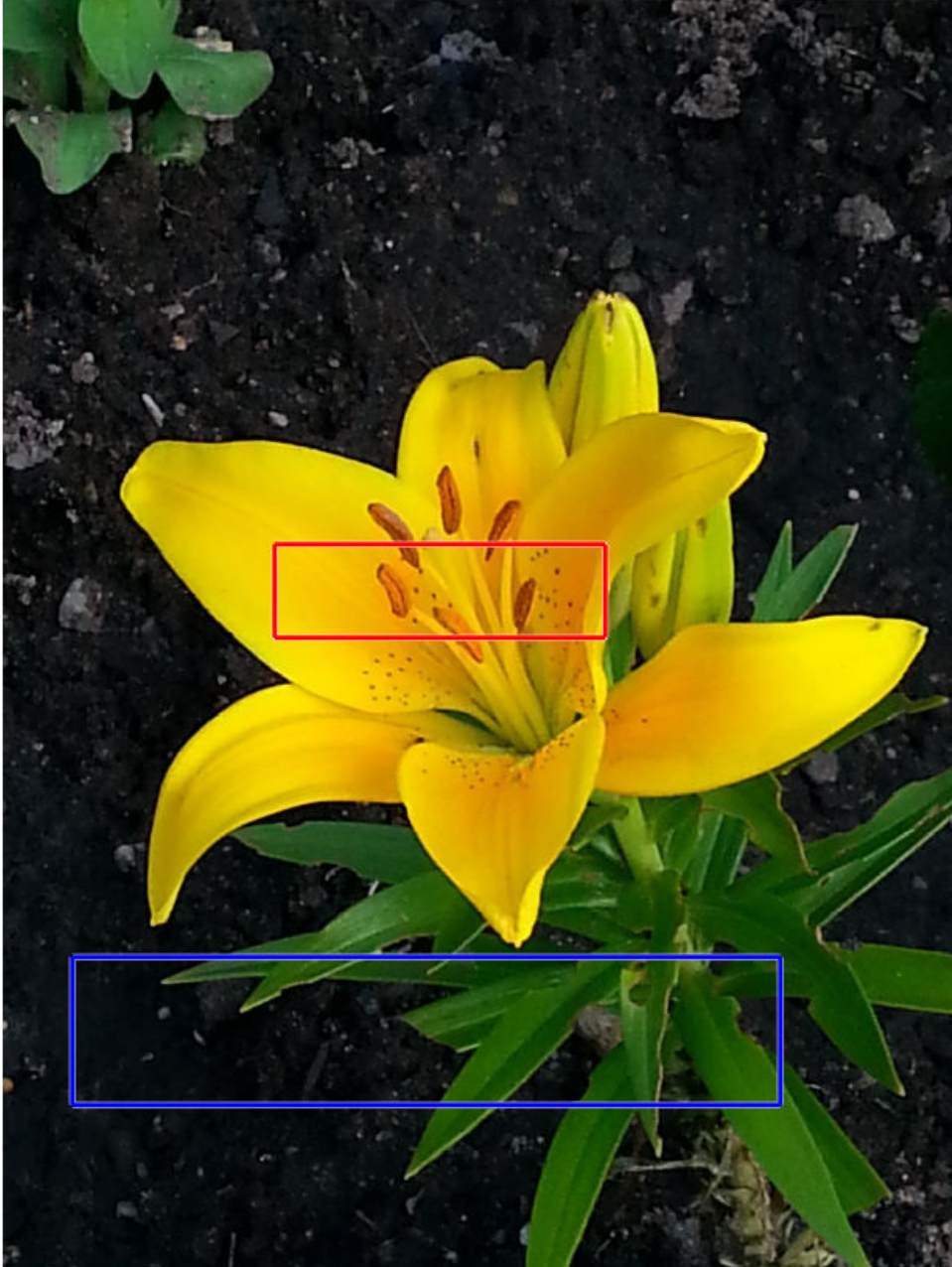
```
bbox1 = [700 350 820 775];  
BW1 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));  
BW1(bbox1(1):bbox1(3),bbox1(2):bbox1(4)) = true;
```

Specify the initial seed regions or "scribbles" for the background.

```
bbox2 = [1230 90 1420 1000];  
BW2 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));  
BW2(bbox2(1):bbox2(3),bbox2(2):bbox2(4)) = true;
```

Display seed regions. The foreground is in red and the background is blue.

```
visboundaries(BW1, 'Color', 'r');  
visboundaries(BW2, 'Color', 'b');
```



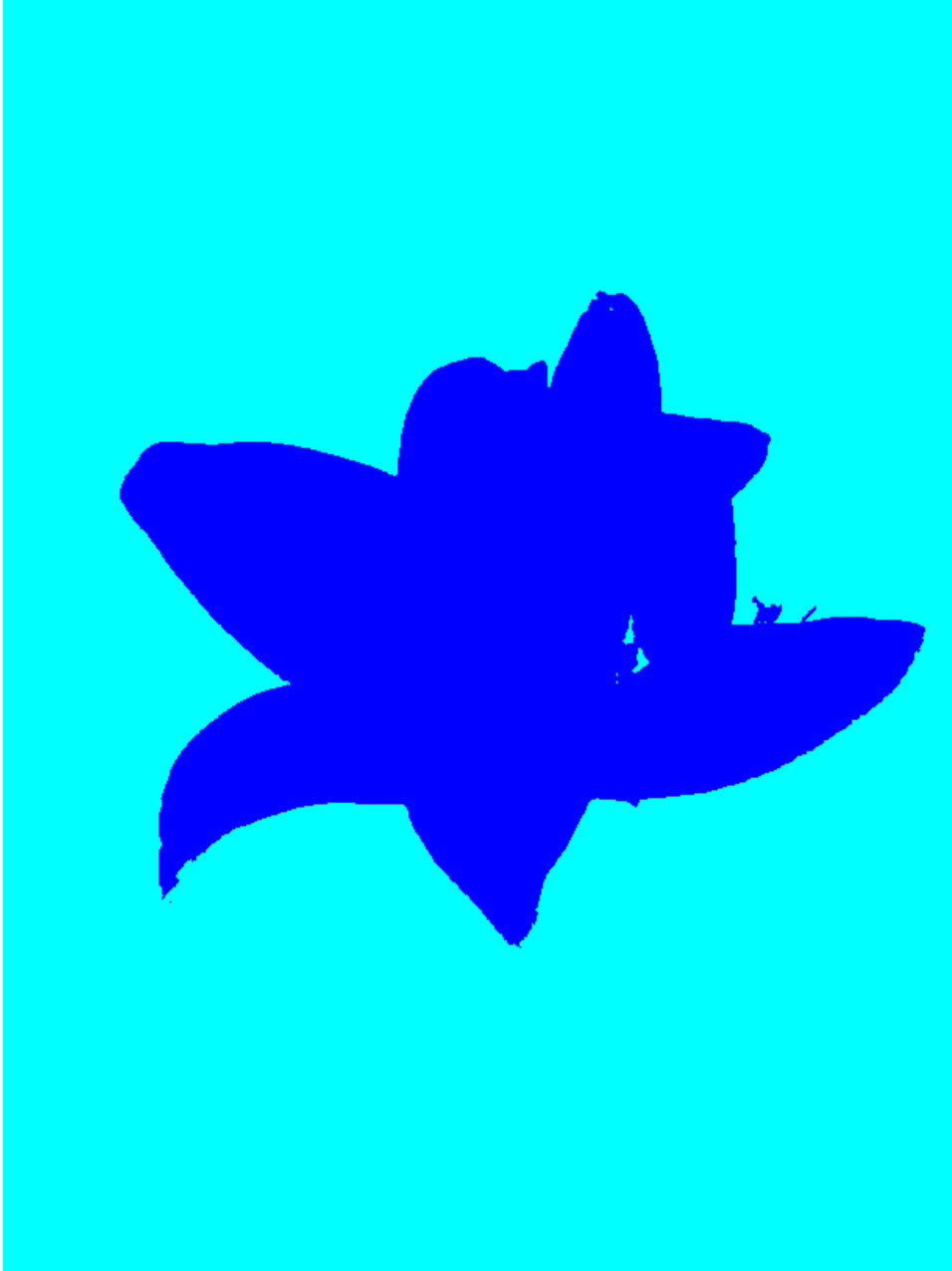
Segment the image.

```
[L,P] = imseggeodesic( RGB, BW1, BW2 );
```

Display results.

```
figure  
imshow(label2rgb(L), 'InitialMagnification', 50)  
title('Segmented image')
```

Segmented image




```
figure
imshow(P(:,:,1),'InitialMagnification', 50)
title('Probability that a pixel belongs to the foreground')
```

Probability that a pixel belongs to the foreground



Segment Image into Three Regions Using Color Information

Read image into the workspace and display it.

```
RGB = imread('yellowlily.jpg');  
imshow(RGB, 'InitialMagnification', 50)  
hold on
```



Creates scribbles for three regions. Note that you can specify the scribbles interactively using tools such as `roipoly`, `imfreehand`, `imrect`, `impoly`, and `imellipse`. Region 1 is the yellow flower. Region 2 is the green leaves. Region 3 is the background.

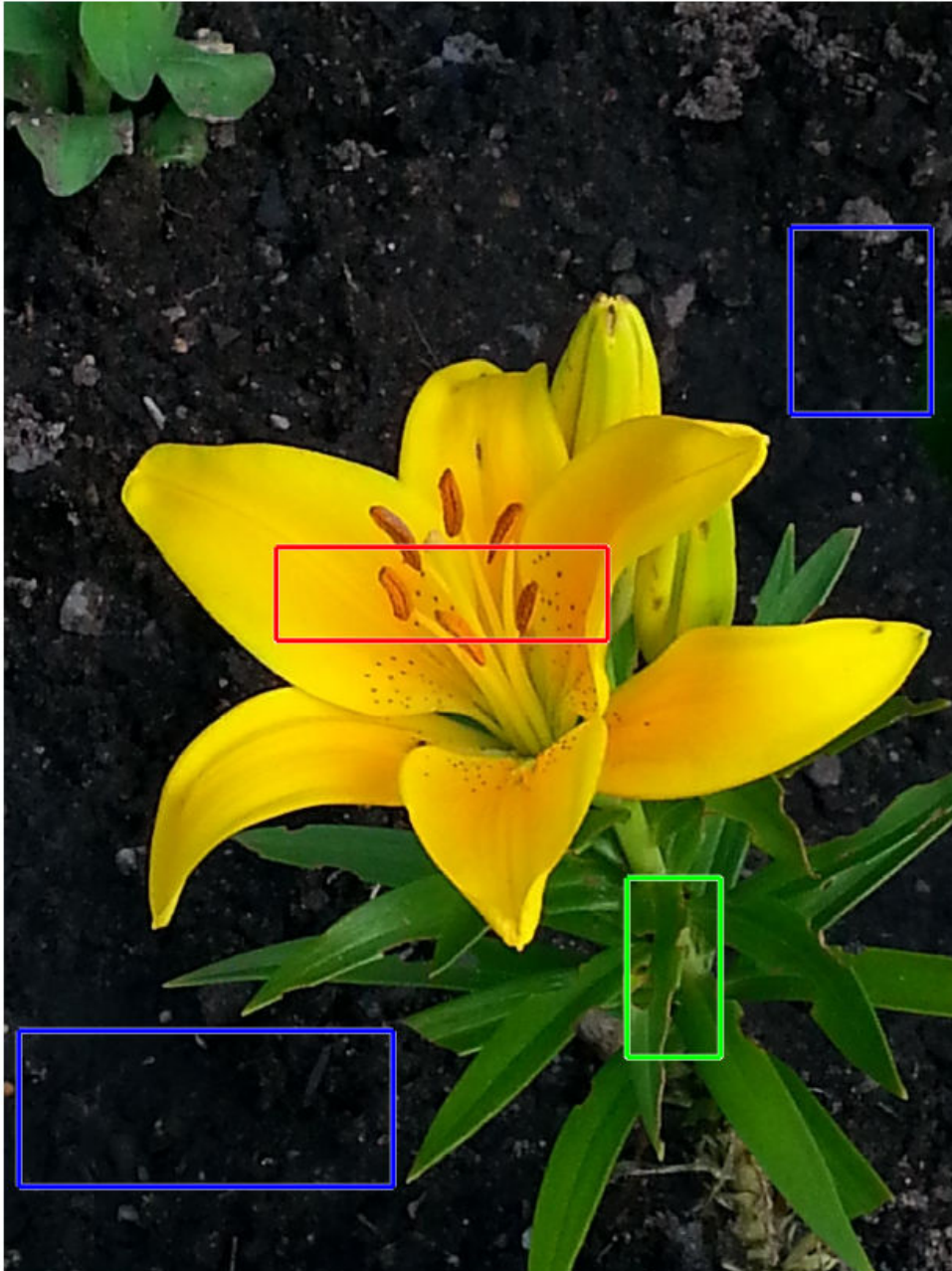
```
region1 = [350 700 425 120]; % [x y w h] format
BW1 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW1(region1(2):region1(2)+region1(4),region1(1):region1(1)+region1(3)) = true;

region2 = [800 1124 120 230];
BW2 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW2(region2(2):region2(2)+region2(4),region2(1):region2(1)+region2(3)) = true;

region3 = [20 1320 480 200; 1010 290 180 240];
BW3 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW3(region3(1,2):region3(1,2)+region3(1,4),region3(1,1):region3(1,1)+region3(1,3)) = true;
BW3(region3(2,2):region3(2,2)+region3(2,4),region3(2,1):region3(2,1)+region3(2,3)) = true;
```

Display the seed regions.

```
visboundaries(BW1,'Color','r');
visboundaries(BW2,'Color','g');
visboundaries(BW3,'Color','b');
```



Segment the image.

```
[L,P] = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2,BW3, 'AdaptiveChannelWeighting', true);
```

Display results.

```
figure  
imshow(label2rgb(L),'InitialMagnification', 50)  
title('Segmented image with three regions')
```

Segmented image with three regions




```
figure
imshow(P(:,:,2),'InitialMagnification', 50)
title('Probability that a pixel belongs to region/label 2')
```

Probability that a pixel belongs to region/label 2



Input Arguments

RGB — Image to be segmented

RGB image

Image to be segmented, specified as an RGB image. `imseggeodesic` converts the input RGB image to the YCbCr color space before performing the segmentation.

Example: `RGB = imread('peppers.png');`

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

BW1 — Scribble image for first region

logical matrix

Scribble image, specified as a logical matrix. `BW1` must have the same number of rows and columns as the input image `RGB`. To specify the scribbles interactively, use `roipoly`, `imfreehand`, `imrect`, `impoly`, or `imellipse`.

Example: `bbox1 = [700 350 820 775]; BW1 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2)); BW1(bbox1(1):bbox1(3),bbox1(2):bbox1(4)) = true;`

Data Types: `logical`

BW2 — Scribble image for second region

logical matrix

Scribble image, specified as a logical matrix. `BW2` must have the same number of rows and columns as the input image `RGB`. To specify the scribbles interactively, use `roipoly`, `imfreehand`, `imrect`, `impoly`, or `imellipse`.

Example: `bbox2 = [1230 90 1420 1000]; BW2 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2)); BW2(bbox2(1):bbox2(3),bbox2(2):bbox2(4)) = true;`

Data Types: `logical`

BW3 — Scribble image for third region

logical matrix

Scribble image, specified as a logical matrix. `BW3` must have the same number of rows and columns as the input image `RGB`. To specify the scribbles interactively, use `roipoly`, `imfreehand`, `imrect`, `impoly`, or `imellipse`.

```
Example: bbox3 = [20 1320 480 200; 1010 290 180 240]; BW3 =  
false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));  
BW3(bbox3(1,2):bbox3(1,2)+bbox3(1,4),bbox3(1,1):bbox3(1,1)+bbox3(1,3  
) = true;
```

Data Types: logical

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

```
Example: [L,P] =  
imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2,BW3,'AdaptiveChannelWeighting',true);
```

AdaptiveChannelWeighting — Use adaptive channel weighting

false (default) | true

Use adaptive channel weighting, specified as a logical scalar. When `true`, `imseggeodesic` weights the channels proportional to the amount of discriminatory information they have that is useful for segmentation (based on the scribbles provided as input). When `false` (the default), `imseggeodesic` weights all the channels equally.

```
Example: [L,P] = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2,BW3,  
'AdaptiveChannelWeighting', true);
```

Data Types: logical

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

matrix of nonnegative integers

Label matrix, returned as a matrix of nonnegative integers. Pixels labeled 0 are the background and pixels labeled 1 identify a segmented region. Pixels labeled 2 identify another segmented region in trinary segmentation.

Data Types: double

P — Probability a pixel belongs to a labeled region

M-by-*N*-by-2 matrix (binary segmentation) | *M*-by-*N*-by-3 matrix (trinary segmentation)

Probability a pixel belongs to a labeled region, specified as an *M*-by-*N*-by-2 matrix for binary segmentation or an *M*-by-*N*-by-3 matrix for trinary segmentation. *M* and *N* are the number of rows and columns in the input image. $P(i, j, k)$ specifies the probability of pixel at location (i, j) belonging to label *k*.

Data Types: double

Tips

- The scribbles for the two (or three) regions should not overlap each other. Each scribble matrix (BW1, BW2, and BW3) should be nonempty, that is, there should be at least one pixel (although the more the better) marked as logical true in each of the scribbles.

Algorithms

imseggeodesic uses a geodesic distance-based color segmentation algorithm (similar to [1] on page 1-2023).

References

- [1] A. Protiere and G. Sapiro, *Interactive Image Segmentation via Adaptive Weighted Distances*, IEEE Transactions on Image Processing. Volume 16, Issue 4, 2007.

See Also

Color Thresholder | activecontour | imsegfmm | rgb2ycbcr | visboundaries

Introduced in R2015a

imsegkmeans

K-means clustering based image segmentation

Syntax

```
L = imsegkmeans(I,k)
[L,centers] = imsegkmeans(I,k)
L = imsegkmeans(I,k,Name,Value)
```

Description

`L = imsegkmeans(I,k)` segments image `I` into `k` clusters by performing k-means clustering and returns the segmented labeled output in `L`.

`[L,centers] = imsegkmeans(I,k)` also returns the cluster centroid locations, `centers`.

`L = imsegkmeans(I,k,Name,Value)` uses name-value arguments to control aspects of the k-means clustering algorithm.

Examples

Segment Grayscale Image using k-Means Clustering

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
imshow(I)
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Segment the image into three regions using k-means clustering.

```
[L,Centers] = imsegkmeans(I,3);  
B = labeloverlay(I,L);  
imshow(B)  
title('Labeled Image')
```

Labeled Image



Improve k-Means Segmentation Using Texture and Spatial Information

Read an image into the workspace. Reduce the image size to make the example run more quickly.

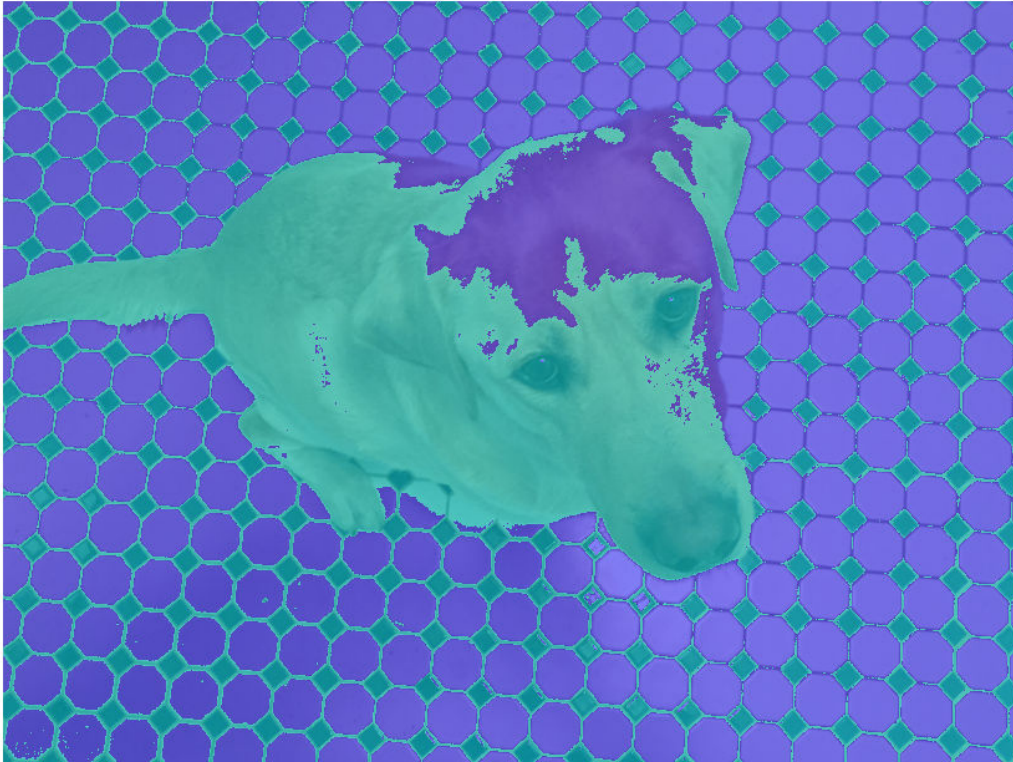
```
RGB = imread('kobi.png');  
RGB = imresize(RGB,0.5);  
imshow(RGB)
```




Segment the image into two regions using k-means clustering.

```
L = imsegkmeans(RGB,2);  
B = labeloverlay(RGB,L);  
imshow(B)  
title('Labeled Image')
```

Labeled Image



Several pixels are mislabeled. The rest of the example shows how to improve the k-means segmentation by supplementing the information about each pixel.

Supplement the image with information about the texture in the neighborhood of each pixel. To obtain the texture information, filter a grayscale version of the image with a set of Gabor filters.

Create a set of 24 Gabor filters, covering 6 wavelengths and 4 orientations.

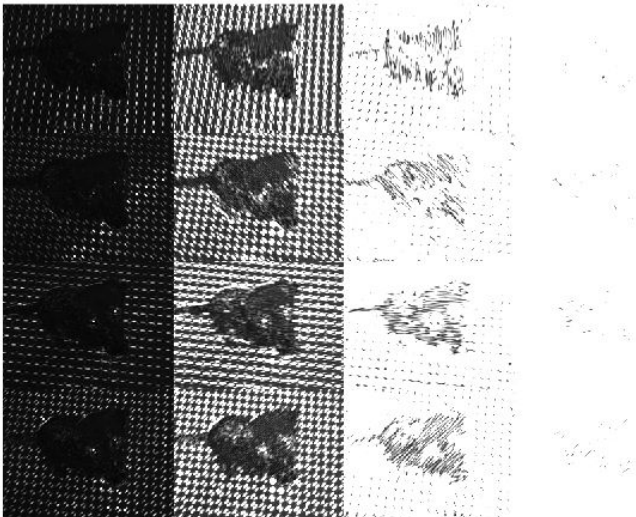
```
wavelength = 2.^(0:5) * 3;  
orientation = 0:45:135;  
g = gabor(wavelength,orientation);
```

Convert the image to grayscale.

```
I = rgb2gray(im2single(RGB));
```

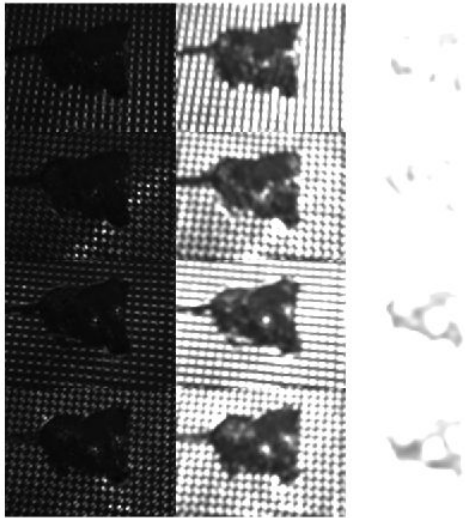
Filter the grayscale image using the Gabor filters. Display the 24 filtered images in a montage.

```
gabormag = imgaborfilt(I,g);  
montage(gabormag, 'Size', [4 6])
```



Smooth each filtered image to remove local variations. Display the smoothed images in a montage.

```
for i = 1:length(g)  
    sigma = 0.5*g(i).Wavelength;  
    gabormag(:,:,i) = imgaussfilt(gabormag(:,:,i),3*sigma);  
end  
montage(gabormag, 'Size', [4 6])
```



Supplement the information about each pixel with spatial location information. This additional information allows the k-means clustering algorithm to prefer groupings that are close together spatially.

Get the x and y coordinates of all pixels in the input image.

```
nrows = size(RGB,1);  
ncols = size(RGB,2);  
[X,Y] = meshgrid(1:ncols,1:nrows);
```

Concatenate the intensity information, neighborhood texture information, and spatial information about each pixel.

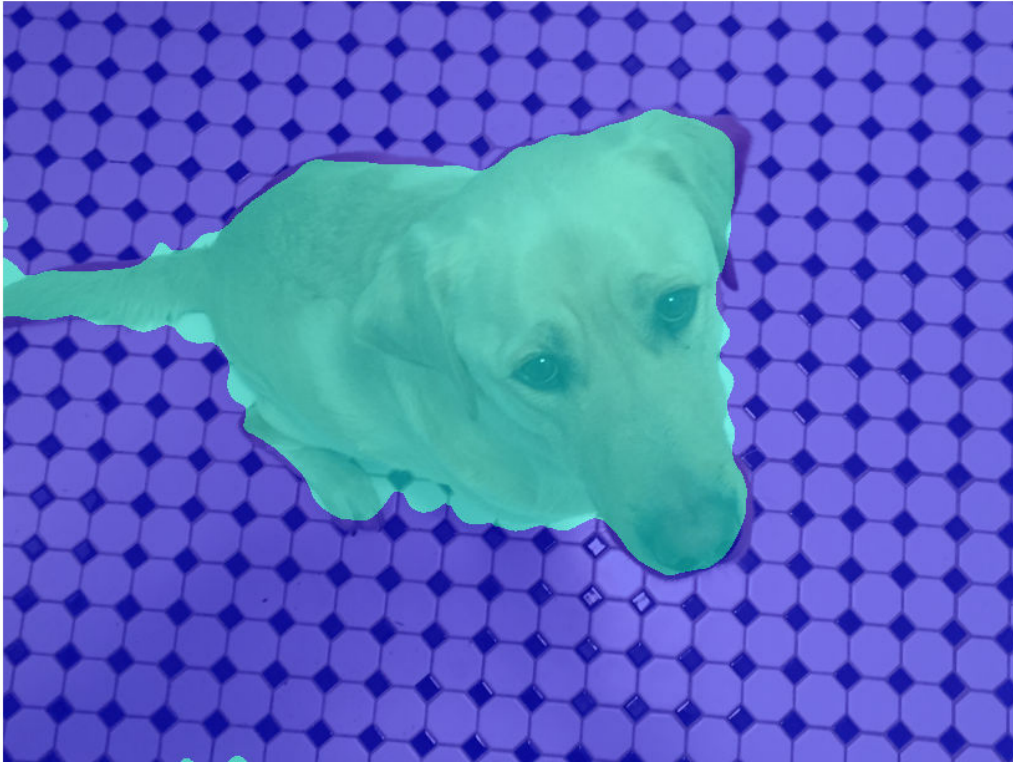
For this example, the feature set includes intensity image *I* instead of the original color image, *RGB*. The color information is omitted from the feature set because the yellow color of the dog's fur is similar to the yellow hue of the tiles. The color channels do not provide enough distinct information about the dog and the background to make a clean segmentation.

```
featureSet = cat(3,I,gabormag,X,Y);
```

Segment the image into two regions using k-means clustering with the supplemented feature set.

```
L2 = imsegkmeans(featureSet,2,'NormalizeInput',true);  
C = labeloverlay(RGB,L2);  
imshow(C)  
title('Labeled Image with Additional Pixel Information')
```

Labeled Image with Additional Pixel Information



Compress Color Image Using k-Means Segmentation

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('peppers.png');  
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Segment the image into 50 regions by using k-means clustering. Return the label matrix L and the cluster centroid locations C . The cluster centroid locations are the RGB values of each of the 50 colors.

```
[L,C] = imsegkmeans(I,50);
```

Convert the label matrix into an RGB image. Specify the cluster centroid locations, C , as the colormap for the new image.

```
J = label2rgb(L,im2double(C));
```

Display the quantized image.

```
imshow(J)  
title('Color Quantized Image')
```

Color Quantized Image



Write the original and compressed images to file. The quantized image file is approximate one quarter the size of the original image file.

```
imwrite(I, 'peppersOriginal.png');  
imwrite(J, 'peppersQuantized.png');
```

Input Arguments

I — Image to segment

2-D grayscale image | 2-D color image | 2-D multispectral image

Image to segment, specified as a 2-D grayscale image, 2-D color image, or 2-D multispectral image.

Data Types: `single` | `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

k — Number of clusters

positive integer

Number of clusters to create, specified as a positive integer.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `L = imsegkmeans(I,5,'NumAttempts',5);`

NormalizeInput — Normalize input data

`true` (default) | `false`

Normalize input data to zero mean and unit variance, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'NormalizeInput'` and `true` or `false`. If you specify `true`, then `imsegkmeans` normalizes each channel of the input individually.

NumAttempts — Number of times to repeat the clustering process

3 (default) | positive integer

Number of times to repeat the clustering process using new initial cluster centroid positions, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'NumAttempts'` and a positive integer.

MaxIterations — Maximum number of iterations

100 (default) | positive integer

Maximum number of iterations, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'MaxIterations' and a positive integer.

Threshold — Accuracy threshold

1e-4 (default) | positive number

Accuracy threshold, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Threshold' and a positive number. The algorithm stops when each of the cluster centers move less than the threshold value in consecutive iterations.

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

matrix of positive integers

Label matrix, specified as a matrix of positive integers. Pixels with label 1 belong to the first cluster, label 2 belong to the second cluster, and so on for each of the k clusters. L has the same first two dimensions as image I . The class of L depends on number of clusters.

Class of L	Number of Clusters
'uint8'	$k \leq 255$
'uint16'	$256 \leq k \leq 65535$
'uint32'	$65536 \leq k \leq 2^{32}-1$
'double'	$2^{32} \leq k$

centers — Cluster centroid locations

numeric matrix

Cluster centroid locations, returned as a numeric matrix of size k -by- c , where k is the number of clusters and c is the number of channels. `centers` is the same class as the image I .

Tips

- The function yields reproducible results. The output will not vary in multiple runs given the same input arguments.

References

- [1] Arthur, D. and S. Vassilvitskii. "k-means++: The Advantages of Careful Seeding." *SODA '07: Proceedings of the Eighteenth Annual ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms*. New Orleans, LA, January 2007, pp. 1027-1035.

See Also

Apps

Image Segmenter

Functions

`gabor` | `imgaborfilt` | `imsegkmeans3` | `label2rgb` | `labelmatrix` | `labeloverlay` | `lazysnapping` | `superpixels` | `watershed`

Topics

"Color-Based Segmentation Using K-Means Clustering"

Introduced in R2018b

imsegkmeans3

K-means clustering based volume segmentation

Syntax

```
L = imsegkmeans3(V,k)
[L,centers] = imsegkmeans3(V,k)
L = imsegkmeans3(V,k,Name,Value)
```

Description

`L = imsegkmeans3(V,k)` segments volume `V` into `k` clusters by performing k-means clustering and returns the segmented labeled output in `L`.

`[L,centers] = imsegkmeans3(V,k)` also returns the cluster centroid locations, `centers`.

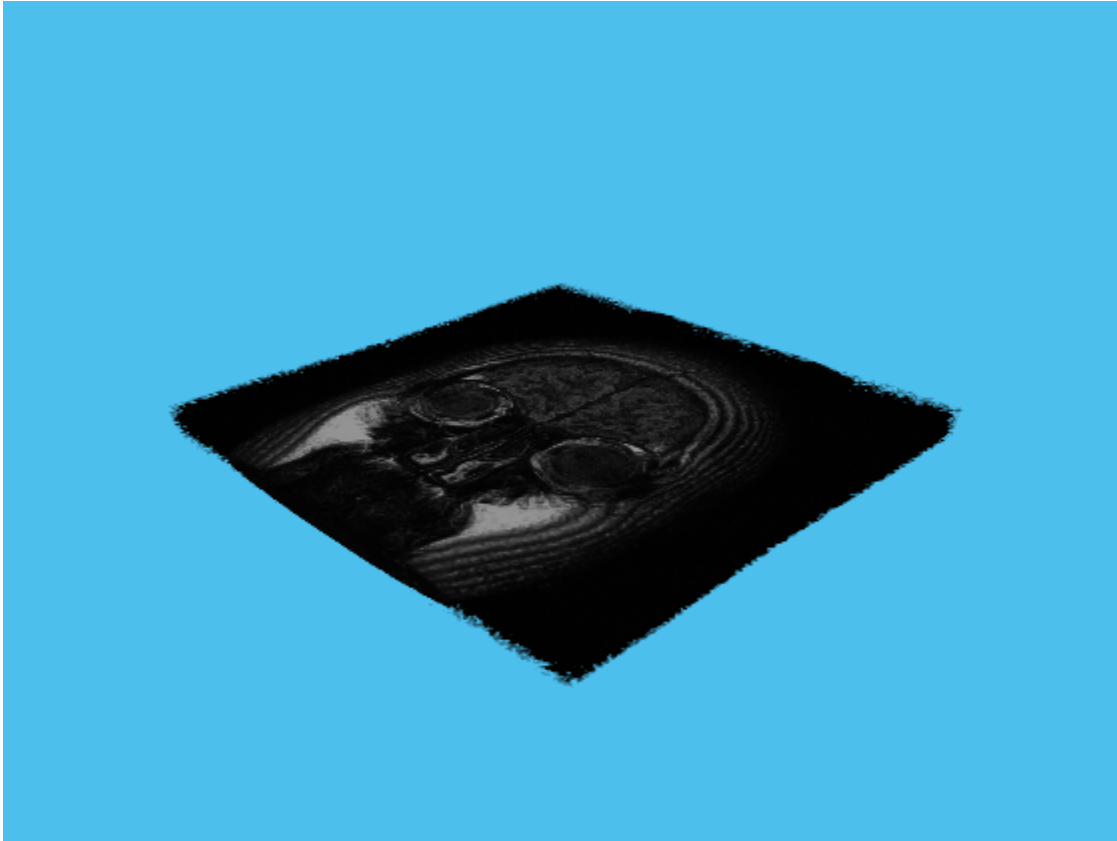
`L = imsegkmeans3(V,k,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control aspects of the k-means clustering algorithm.

Examples

Segment Volume Using k-Means Clustering

Load a 3-D grayscale MRI volume and display it using `volshow`.

```
load mrystack
volshow(mrystack);
```

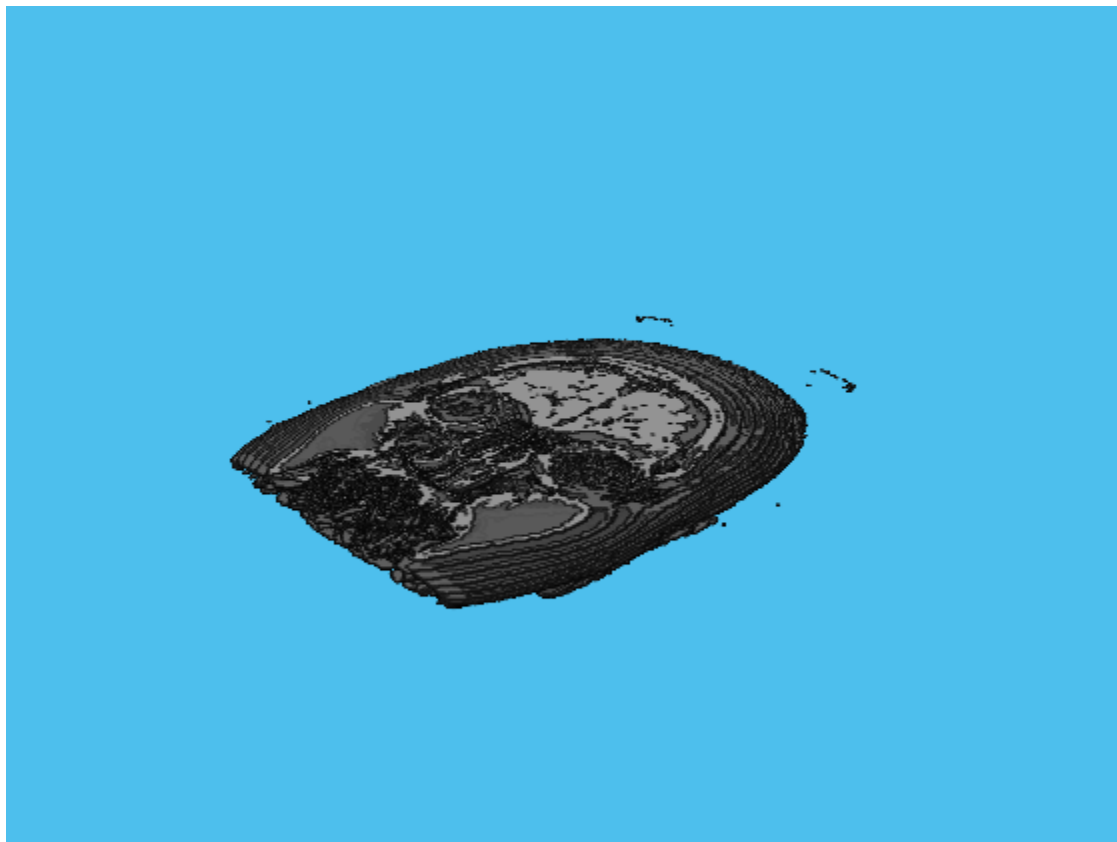


Segment the volume into three clusters.

```
L = imsegkmeans3(mristack,3);
```

Display the segmented volume using `volshow`. To explore slices of the segmented volume, use the Volume Viewer app.

```
figure  
volshow(L);
```



Input Arguments

V – Volume to segment

3-D grayscale volume | 3-D multispectral volume

Volume to segment, specified as a 3-D grayscale volume of size m -by- n -by- p or a 3-D multispectral volume of size m -by- n -by- p -by- c , where p is the number of planes and c is number of channels.

Note `imsegkmeans2` treats 2-D color images like 3-D volumes of size m -by- n -by-3. If you want 2-D behavior, use `imsegkmeans` instead.

Data Types: `single` | `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

k — Number of clusters

positive number

Number of clusters to create, specified as a numeric scalar.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `L = imsegkmeans3(V,5,'NumAttempts',5);`

NormalizeInput — Normalize input data

`true` (default) | `false`

Normalize input data to zero mean and unit variance, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'NormalizeInput'` and `true` or `false`. If you specify `true`, then `imsegkmeans3` normalizes each channel of the input individually.

NumAttempts — Number of times to repeat the clustering process

3 (default) | positive integer

Number of times to repeat the clustering process using new initial cluster centroid positions, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'NumAttempts'` and a positive integer.

MaxIterations — Maximum number of iterations

100 (default) | positive integer

Maximum number of iterations, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'MaxIterations'` and a positive integer.

Threshold — Accuracy threshold

1e-4 (default) | positive number

Accuracy threshold, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Threshold' and a positive number. The algorithm stops when each of the cluster centers move less than the threshold value in consecutive iterations.

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

matrix of positive integers

Label matrix, specified as a matrix of positive integers. Pixels with label 1 belong to the first cluster, label 2 belong to the second cluster, and so on for each of the k clusters. L has the same first three dimensions as volume V . The class of L depends on number of clusters.

Class of L	Number of Clusters
'uint8'	$k \leq 255$
'uint16'	$256 \leq k \leq 65535$
'uint32'	$65536 \leq k \leq 2^{32}-1$
'double'	$2^{32} \leq k$

centers — Cluster centroid locations

numeric matrix

Cluster centroid locations, returned as a numeric matrix of size k -by- c , where k is the number of clusters and c is the number of channels. `centers` is the same class as the image I .

Tips

- The function yields reproducible results. The output will not vary in multiple runs given the same input arguments.

References

- [1] Arthur, D. and S. Vassilvitskii. "k-means++: The Advantages of Careful Seeding." *SODA '07: Proceedings of the Eighteenth Annual ACM-SIAM Symposium on Discrete Algorithms*. New Orleans, LA, January 2007, pp. 1027–1035.

See Also

Apps
Volume Viewer

Functions
imsegmeans | lazysnapping | superpixels3 | watershed

Introduced in R2018b

imsharpen

Sharpen image using unsharp masking

Syntax

```
B = imsharpen(A)
B = imsharpen(A,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imsharpen(A)` sharpens the grayscale or truecolor (RGB) input image `A` by using the unsharp masking on page 1-2049 method.

`B = imsharpen(A,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control aspects of the unsharp masking.

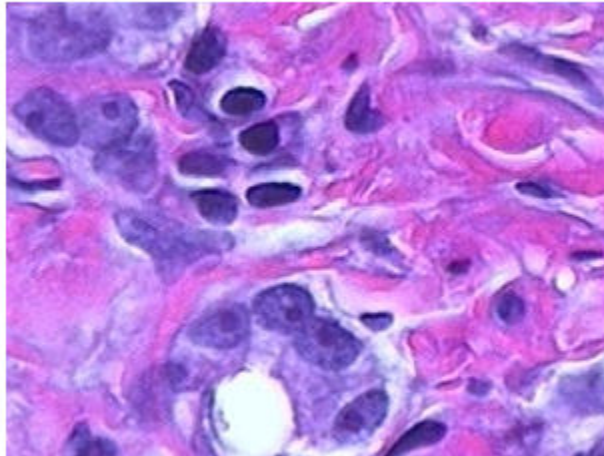
Examples

Sharpen Image

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

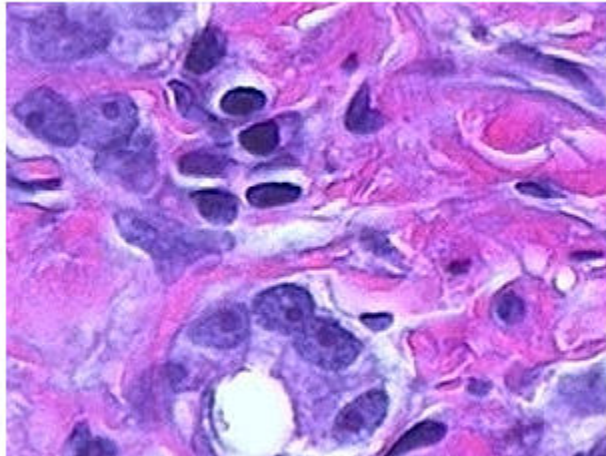
```
a = imread('hestain.png');
imshow(a)
title('Original Image');
```

Original Image



Sharpen the image using the `imsharpen` function and display it.

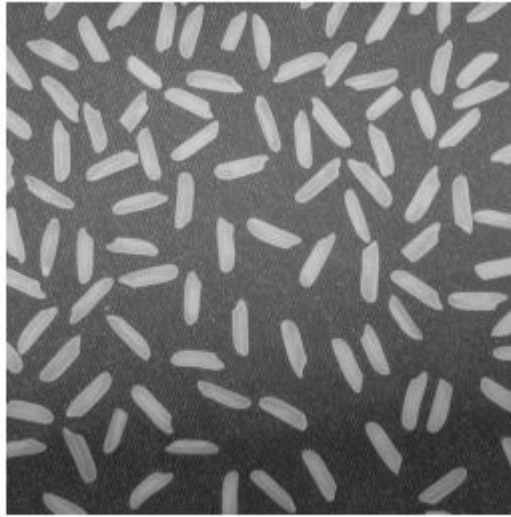
```
b = imsharpen(a);  
figure, imshow(b)  
title('Sharpened Image');
```

Sharpened Image**Control the Amount of Sharpening at the Edges**

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

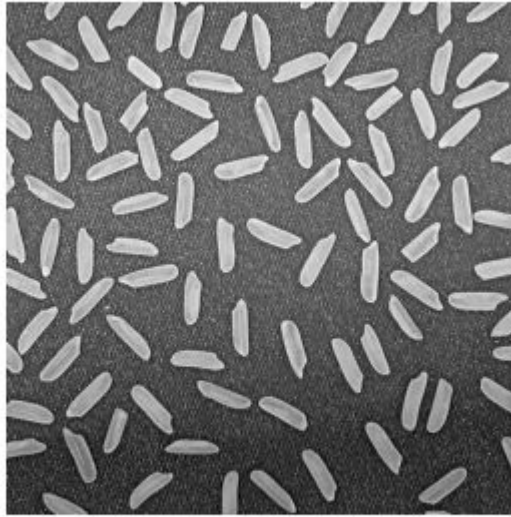
```
a = imread('rice.png');  
imshow(a), title('Original Image');
```

Original Image



Sharpen image, specifying the radius and amount parameters.

```
b = imsharpen(a, 'Radius', 2, 'Amount', 1);  
figure, imshow(b)  
title('Sharpened Image');
```

Sharpened Image

Input Arguments

A — Image to be sharpened

grayscale image | RGB image

Image to be sharpened, specified as a grayscale or RGB image.

If A is a truecolor (RGB) image, then `imsharpen` converts the image to the $L^*a^*b^*$ color space, applies sharpening to the L^* channel only, and then converts the image back to the RGB color space before returning it as the output image B.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `'Radius', 1.5`

Radius — Standard deviation of the Gaussian lowpass filter

1 (default) | positive number

Standard deviation of the Gaussian lowpass filter, specified as a positive number. This value controls the size of the region around the edge pixels that is affected by sharpening. A large value sharpens wider regions around the edges, whereas a small value sharpens narrower regions around edges.

Example: `'Radius', 1.5`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Amount — Strength of the sharpening effect

0.8 (default) | numeric scalar

Strength of the sharpening effect, specified as a numeric scalar. A higher value leads to larger increase in the contrast of the sharpened pixels. Typical values for this parameter are within the range `[0 2]`, although values greater than 2 are allowed. Very large values for this parameter may create undesirable effects in the output image.

Example: `'Amount', 1.2`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Threshold — Minimum contrast required for a pixel to be considered an edge pixel

0 (default) | scalar in the range `[0 1]`

Minimum contrast required for a pixel to be considered an edge pixel, specified as a scalar in the range `[0 1]`. Higher values (closer to 1) allow sharpening only in high-contrast regions, such as strong edges, while leaving low-contrast regions unaffected. Lower values (closer to 0) additionally allow sharpening in relatively smoother regions of the image. This parameter is useful in avoiding sharpening noise in the output image.

Example: 'Threshold',0.7

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

Output Arguments

B — Sharpened image

numeric array

Sharpened image, returned as a numeric array of the same size and class as the input image A.

Definitions

Sharpening

Sharpness is actually the contrast between different colors. A quick transition from black to white looks sharp. A gradual transition from black to gray to white looks blurry. Sharpening images increases the contrast along the edges where different colors meet.

Unsharp masking

The unsharp masking technique comes from a publishing industry process in which an image is sharpened by subtracting a blurred (unsharp) version of the image from itself. Do not be confused by the name of this filter: an unsharp filter is an operator used to sharpen an image.

See Also

fspecial | imadjust | imcontrast

Introduced in R2013a

imshow

Display image

Syntax

```
imshow(I)
imshow(I,[low high])
imshow(I,[])
imshow(RGB)
imshow(BW)
imshow(X,map)
imshow(filename)
imshow(__,Name,Value)

himage = imshow( __ )

imshow(I,RI)
imshow(X,RX,map)
imshow(gpuarrayIM, __ )
```

Description

`imshow(I)` displays the grayscale image `I` in a figure. `imshow` uses the default display range for the image data type and optimizes figure, axes, and image object properties for image display.

`imshow(I,[low high])` displays the grayscale image `I`, specifying the display range as a two-element vector, `[low high]`. For more information, see the `DisplayRange` parameter.

`imshow(I,[])` displays the grayscale image `I`, scaling the display based on the range of pixel values in `I`. `imshow` uses `[min(I(:)) max(I(:))]` as the display range. `imshow` displays the minimum value in `I` as black and the maximum value as white. For more information, see the `DisplayRange` parameter.

`imshow(RGB)` displays the truecolor image `RGB` in a figure.

`imshow(BW)` displays the binary image `BW` in a figure. For binary images, `imshow` displays pixels with the value 0 (zero) as black and 1 as white.

`imshow(X,map)` displays the indexed image `X` with the colormap `map`. A colormap matrix can have any number of rows, but it must have exactly 3 columns. Each row is interpreted as a color, with the first element specifying the intensity of red, the second green, and the third blue. Color intensity can be specified on the interval [0, 1].

`imshow(filename)` displays the image stored in the graphics file specified by `filename`.

`imshow(____,Name,Value)` displays an image, using name-value pairs to control aspects of the operation.

`himage = imshow(____)` returns the image object created by `imshow`.

`imshow(I,RI)` displays the image `I` with associated 2-D spatial referencing object `RI`.

`imshow(X,RX,map)` displays the indexed image `X` with associated 2-D spatial referencing object `RX` and colormap `map`.

`imshow(gpuarrayIM,____)` displays the image contained in a `gpuArray`. This syntax requires the Parallel Computing Toolbox.

Examples

Display Grayscale, RGB, Indexed, or Binary Image

Display a grayscale, RGB (truecolor), indexed or binary image using `imshow`. MATLAB® includes a TIF file, named `corn.tif`, that contains three images: a grayscale image, an indexed image, and a truecolor (RGB) image. This example creates a binary image from the grayscale image.

Display a Grayscale Image

Read the grayscale image from the `corn.tif` file into the MATLAB workspace. The grayscale version of the image is the third image in the file.

```
corn_gray = imread('corn.tif',3);
```

Display the grayscale image using `imshow`.

```
imshow(corn_gray)
```



Display an Indexed Image

Read the indexed image from the `corn.tif` file into the MATLAB workspace. The indexed version of the image is the first image in the file.

```
[corn_indexed,map] = imread('corn.tif',1);
```

Display the indexed image using `imshow`.

```
imshow(corn_indexed,map)
```



Display an RGB Image

Read the RGB image from the `corn.tif` file into the MATLAB workspace. The RGB version of the image is the second image in the file.

```
[corn_rgb] = imread('corn.tif',2);
```

Display the RGB image using imshow.

```
imshow(corn_rgb)
```



Display a Binary Image

Read the grayscale image from the `corn.tif` file into the MATLAB workspace and use thresholding to convert it into a binary image. The grayscale version of the image is the third image in the file.

```
[corn_gray] = imread('corn.tif',3);
```

Determine the mean value of pixels in the grayscale image.

```
meanIntensity = mean(corn_gray(:));
```

Create a binary image by thresholding, using the mean intensity value as the threshold.

```
corn_binary = corn_gray > meanIntensity;
```

Display the binary image using `imshow`.

```
imshow(corn_binary)
```



Display Image from File

Display an image stored in a file.

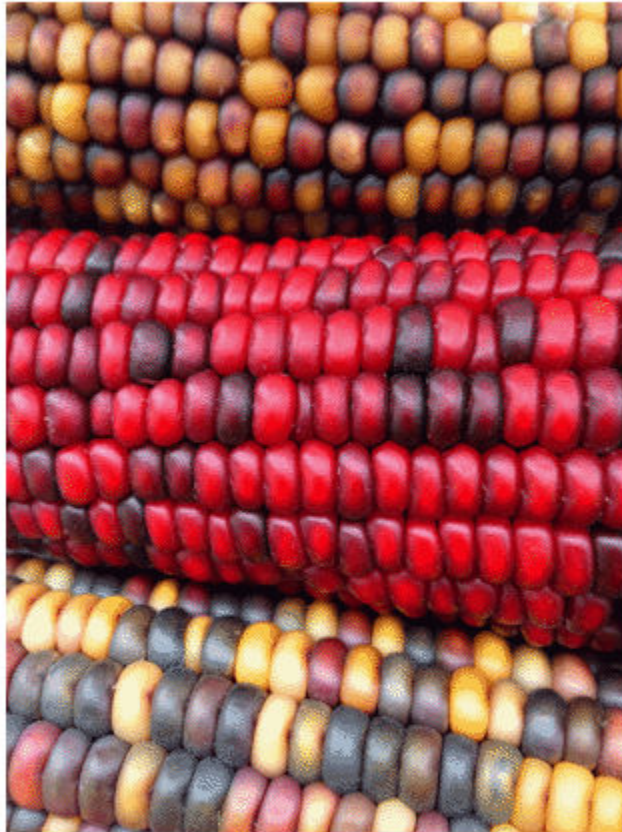
```
imshow('peppers.png');
```



Change Colormap of Displayed Image

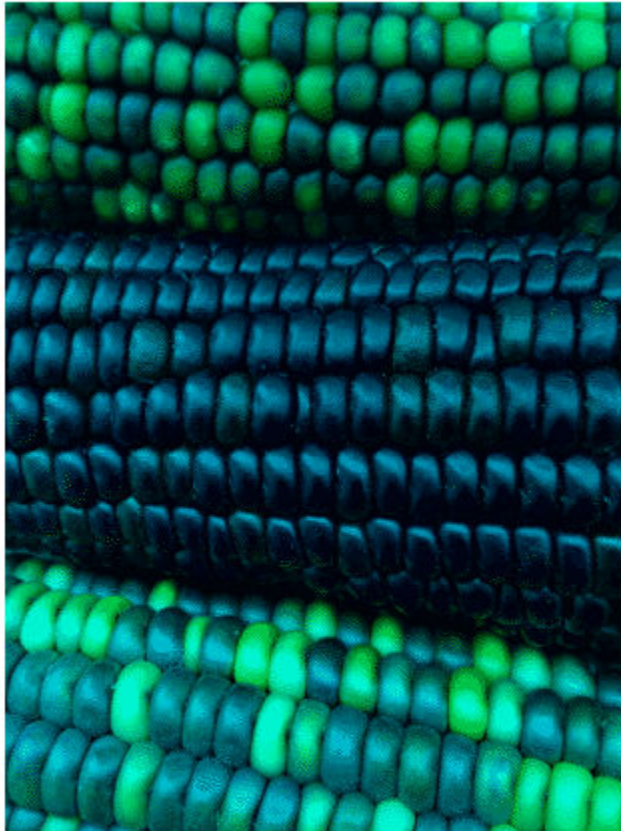
Read a sample indexed image, `corn.tif`, into the workspace, and then display it.

```
[X,map] = imread('corn.tif');  
imshow(X,map)
```



Change the colormap for the image using the `colormap` function and specifying the target axes as the first input argument. Use the original colormap without the red component.

```
newmap = map;  
newmap(:,1) = 0;  
colormap(gca,newmap)
```

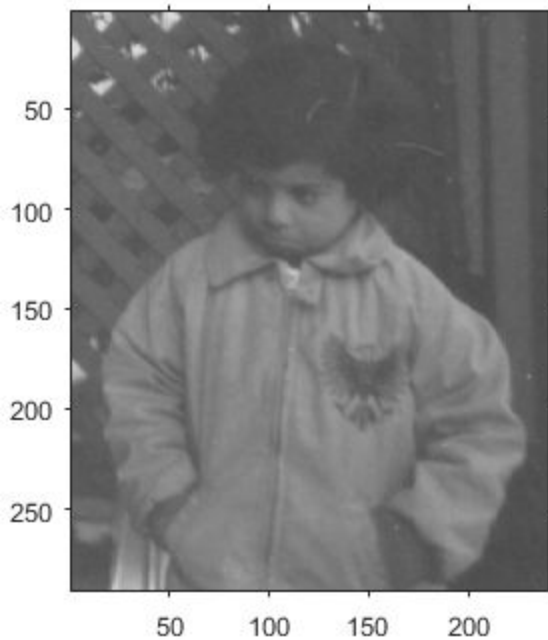
Display Image Using Associated Spatial Referencing Object

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');
```

Display the image. Note the axes limits reflect the size of the image.

```
figure; imshow(I)
```

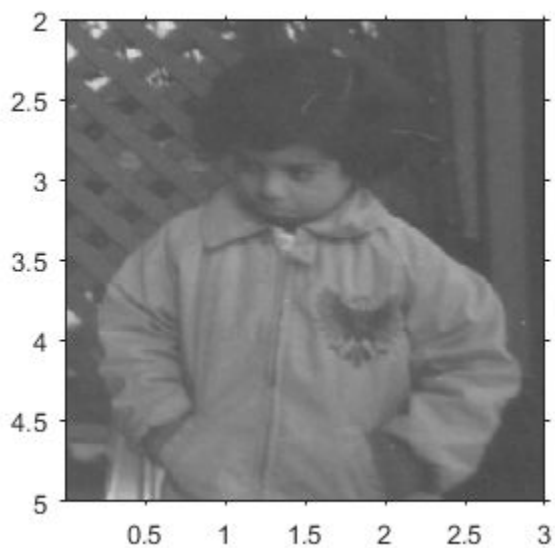


Create a spatial referencing object associated with the image. Use the referencing object to set the x- and y-axis limits in the world coordinate system.

```
RI = imref2d(size(I));  
RI.XWorldLimits = [0 3];  
RI.YWorldLimits = [2 5];
```

Display the image, specifying the spatial referencing object. Note the change to the x- and y-axis limits.

```
figure; imshow(I,RI);
```



Display Image on a GPU

Read image into a `gpuArray`.

```
X = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));
```

Display it.

```
figure; imshow(X)
```

Input Arguments

I — Input grayscale image

matrix

Input grayscale image, specified as a matrix. A grayscale image can be any numeric data type.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

RGB — Input truecolor image

m-by-n-by-3 array

Input truecolor image, specified as an *m-by-n-by-3* array.

If you specify a truecolor image of data type `single` or `double`, then values should be in the range [0, 1]. If pixel values are outside this range, then you can use the `rescale` function to scale pixel values to the range [0, 1]. The `'DisplayRange'` argument has no effect when the input image is truecolor.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

BW — Input binary image

matrix

Input binary image, specified as a matrix.

Data Types: `logical`

X — Indexed image

2-D array of real numeric values

Indexed image, specified as a 2-D array of real numeric values. The values in `X` are indices into the colormap specified by `map`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `logical`

map — Colormap

c-by-3 array

Colormap, specified as an *c-by-3* array of type `single` or `double` in the range [0 1], or a *c-by-3* array of type `uint8`. Each row specifies an RGB color value.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8`

filename — File name

character vector

File name, specified as a character vector. The image must be readable by `imread`. The `imshow` function displays the image, but does not store the image data in the MATLAB workspace. If the file contains multiple images, `imshow` displays the first image in the file.

Example: `imshow('peppers.png')`

Data Types: `char`

[low high] — Grayscale image display range

two-element vector

Grayscale image display range, specified as a two-element vector. For more information, see the 'DisplayRange' name-value pair argument.

Example: `[50 250]`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

RI — 2-D spatial referencing object associated with the input image

`imref2d` object

2-D spatial referencing object associated with input image, specified as an `imref2d` object.

RX — 2-D spatial referencing object associated with an indexed image

`imref2d` object

2-D spatial referencing object associated with an indexed image, specified as a `imref2d` object.

gpuarrayIM — Image to be processed on a graphics processing unit (GPU)

`gpuArray` object

Image to be processed on a graphics processing unit (GPU), specified as a `gpuArray`.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `imshow('board.tif', 'Border', 'tight')`

Border — Figure window border space

'loose' (default) | 'tight'

Figure window border space, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Border' and either 'tight' or 'loose'. When set to 'loose', the figure window includes space around the image in the figure. When set to 'tight', the figure window does not include any space around the image in the figure.

If the image is very small or if the figure contains other objects besides an image and its axes, `imshow` might use a border regardless of how this parameter is set.

Example: `imshow('board.tif','Border','tight')`

Data Types: char

Colormap — Colormap

c-by-3 matrix

Colormap, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Colormap' and a *c*-by-3 matrix. `imshow` uses this to set the colormap for the axes. Use this parameter to view grayscale images in false color. If you specify an empty colormap (`[]`), then `imshow` ignores this parameter.

Note Starting in R2016b, `imshow` changes the colormap for the axes that contains the image instead of the figure.

Example: `newmap = copper; imshow('board.tif','Colormap',newmap)`

Data Types: double

DisplayRange — Grayscale image display range

two-element vector | `[]`

Display range of a grayscale image, specified as a two-element vector of the form `[low high]`. The `imshow` function displays the value `low` (and any value less than `low`) as black, and it displays the value `high` (and any value greater than `high`) as white. Values between `low` and `high` are displayed as intermediate shades of gray, using the default number of gray levels.

If you specify an empty matrix (`[]`), then `imshow` uses a display range of `[min(I(:)) max(I(:))]`. In other words, the minimum value in `I` is black, and the maximum value is white.

If you do not specify a display range, then `imshow` selects a default display range based on the image data type.

- If `I` is an integer type, then `'DisplayRange'` defaults to the minimum and maximum representable values for that integer class. For example, the default display range for `uint16` arrays is `[0, 65535]`.
- If `I` is data type `single` or `double`, then the default display range is `[0, 1]`.

Note Including the parameter name is optional, except when the image is specified by a file name. The syntax `imshow(I, [low high])` is equivalent to `imshow(I, 'DisplayRange', [low high])`. If you call `imshow` with a file name, then you must specify the `'DisplayRange'` parameter.

Example: `h = imshow(I, 'DisplayRange', [0 80]);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

InitialMagnification – Initial magnification of image display

`100` (default) | numeric scalar | `'fit'`

Initial magnification of image display, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'InitialMagnification'` and a numeric scalar or `'fit'`. If set to `100`, then `imshow` displays the image at 100% magnification (one screen pixel for each image pixel). If set to `'fit'`, then `imshow` scales the entire image to fit in the window.

Initially, `imshow` attempts to display the entire image at the specified magnification. If the magnification value is so large that the image is too big to display on the screen, `imshow` displays the image at the largest magnification that fits on the screen.

If the image is displayed in a figure with its `'WindowStyle'` property set to `'docked'`, then `imshow` displays the image at the largest magnification that fits in the figure.

Note: If you specify the axes position (using `subplot` or `axes`), `imshow` ignores any initial magnification you might have specified and defaults to the `'fit'` behavior.

When you use `imshow` with the `'Reduce'` parameter, the initial magnification must be `'fit'`.

In MATLAB Online™, `'InitialMagnification'` is set to `'fit'` and cannot be changed.

Example: `h = imshow(I, 'InitialMagnification', 'fit');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `char`

Parent — Parent axes of image object

axes object

Parent axes of image object, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an axes object. Use the 'Parent' name-value argument to build a UI that gives you control of the figure and axes properties.

Reduce — Indicator for subsampling

`true` | `false` | `1` | `0`

Indicator for subsampling image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Reduce' and either `true`, `false`, `1`, or `0`. This argument is valid only when you use it with the name of a TIFF file. Use the Reduce argument to display overviews of very large images.

Data Types: `logical`

XData — X-axis limits of nondefault coordinate system

two-element vector

X-axis limits of nondefault coordinate system, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'XData' and a two-element vector. This argument establishes a nondefault spatial coordinate system by specifying the image XData. The value can have more than two elements, but `imshow` uses only the first and last elements.

Example: `'XData', [100 200]`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

YData — Y-axis limits of nondefault coordinate system

two-element vector

Y-axis limits of nondefault coordinate system, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'YData' and a two-element vector. The value can have more than two elements, but `imshow` uses only the first and last elements.

Example: `'YData', [100 200]`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

himage — Image created by `imshow`

image object

Image created by `imshow`, specified as an image object.

Tips

- To change the colormap after you create the image, use the `colormap` command. Specify the axes that contains the image as the first input argument and the colormap you want as the second input argument. For an example, see “Change Colormap of Displayed Image” on page 1-2057.
- You can display multiple images with different colormaps in the same figure using `imshow` with the `subplot` function.
- If you have Image Processing Toolbox, then you can use the Image Viewer app as an integrated environment for displaying images and performing common image processing tasks.
- If you have Image Processing Toolbox, then you can use the `iptsetpref` function to set toolbox preferences that modify the behavior of `imshow`.
- The `imshow` function is not supported when you start MATLAB with the `-nojvm` option.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- This function accepts GPU arrays, but does not run on a GPU.

For more information, see “Run MATLAB Functions on a GPU” (Parallel Computing Toolbox).

Distributed Arrays

Partition large arrays across the combined memory of your cluster using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- This function operates on distributed arrays, but executes in the client MATLAB.

For more information, see “Run MATLAB Functions with Distributed Arrays” (Parallel Computing Toolbox).

See Also

[image](#) | [imagesc](#) | [imfinfo](#) | [imread](#) | [imwrite](#) | [iptsetpref](#)

Topics

“Image Types” (MATLAB)

Introduced before R2006a

imshowpair

Compare differences between images

Syntax

```
obj = imshowpair(A,B)
obj = imshowpair(A,RA,B,RB)
obj = imshowpair( ____,method)
obj = imshowpair( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`obj = imshowpair(A,B)` creates a composite RGB image showing A and B overlaid in different color bands. To choose another type of visualization of the two images, use the `method` argument. If A and B are different sizes, `imshowpair` pads the smaller dimensions with zeros on the bottom and right edges so that the two images are the same size. By default, `imshowpair` scales the intensity values of A and B independently from each other. `imshowpair` returns `obj`, an image object.

`obj = imshowpair(A,RA,B,RB)` displays the differences between images A and B, using the spatial referencing information provided in RA and RB. RA and RB are spatial referencing objects.

`obj = imshowpair(____,method)` uses the visualization method specified by `method`.

`obj = imshowpair(____,Name,Value)` specifies additional options with one or more `Name,Value` pair arguments, using any of the previous syntaxes.

Examples

Display Two Images That Differ by Rotation Offset

Display a pair of grayscale images with two different visualization methods, 'diff' and 'blend'.

Load an image into the workspace. Create a copy with a rotation offset applied.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');  
B = imrotate(A,5,'bicubic','crop');
```

Display the difference of A and B.

```
imshowpair(A,B,'diff')
```



Display a blended overlay of A and B.

```
figure  
imshowpair(A,B,'blend','Scaling','joint')
```



Display Two Spatially Referenced Images with Different Brightness Ranges

Read an image. Create a copy and apply rotation and a brightness adjustment.

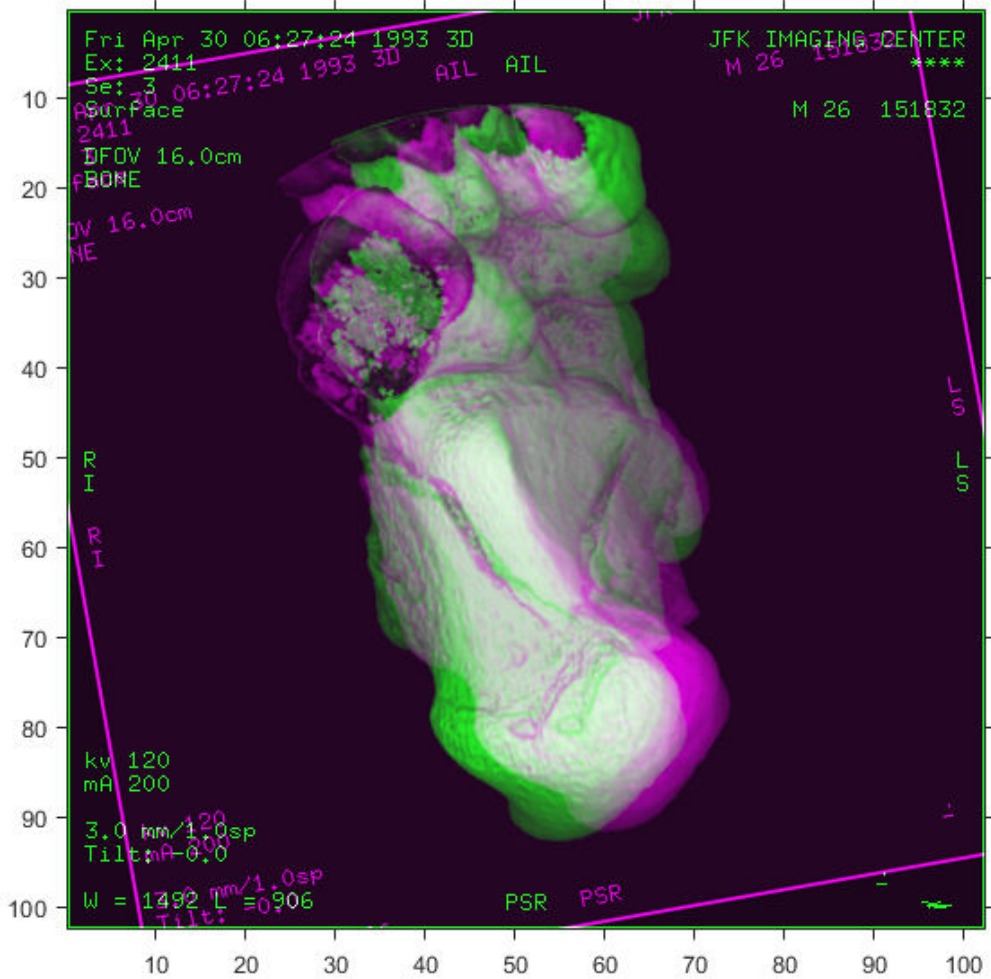
```
A = dicomread('CT-MON02-16-ankle.dcm');  
B = imrotate(A,10,'bicubic','crop');  
B = B * 0.2;
```

In this example, we know that the resolution of images A and B is 0.2mm. Provide this information using two spatial referencing objects.

```
RA = imref2d(size(A),0.2,0.2);  
RB = imref2d(size(B),0.2,0.2);
```

Display the images with the default method ('falsecolor') and apply brightness scaling independently to each image. Specify the axes that will be the parent of the image object created by `imshowpair`.

```
figure;  
hAx = axes;  
imshowpair(A,RA,B,RB,'Scaling','independent','Parent',hAx);
```



Input Arguments

A — Image to be displayed

grayscale image | truecolor image | binary image

Image to be displayed, specified as a grayscale, truecolor, or binary image.

B — Image to be displayed

grayscale image | truecolor image | binary image

Image to be displayed, specified as a grayscale, truecolor, or binary image.

RA — Spatial referencing information about an input image

spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information about an input image, specified as spatial referencing object, of class `imref2d`.

RB — Spatial referencing information about an input image

spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information about an input image, specified as spatial referencing object, of class `imref2d`.

method — Visualization method to display combined images

'falsecolor' (default) | 'blend' | 'diff' | 'montage'

Visualization method to display combined images, specified as one of the following values.

Value	Description
'falsecolor'	Creates a composite RGB image showing A and B overlaid in different color bands. Gray regions in the composite image show where the two images have the same intensities. Magenta and green regions show where the intensities are different. This is the default method.
'blend'	Overlays A and B using alpha blending.
'checkerboard'	Creates an image with alternating rectangular regions from A and B.

Value	Description
'diff'	Creates a difference image from A and B.
'montage'	Places A and B next to each other in the same image.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `'Scaling', 'joint'` scales the intensity values of A and B together as a single data set.

ColorChannels — Output color channel for each input image

`'green-magenta'` (default) | `[R G B]` | `'red-cyan'`

Output color channel for each input image, specified as one of the following values:

<code>[R G B]</code>	A three element vector that specifies which image to assign to the red, green, and blue channels. The R, G, and B values must be 1 (for the first input image), 2 (for the second input image), and 0 (for neither image).
<code>'red-cyan'</code>	A shortcut for the vector <code>[1 2 2]</code> , which is suitable for red/cyan stereo anaglyphs.
<code>'green-magenta'</code>	A shortcut for the vector <code>[2 1 2]</code> , which is a high contrast option, ideal for people with many kinds of color blindness.

Parent — Parent of image object created by `imshowpair`

`axes` object

Parent of image object created by `imshowpair`, specified as an axes object.

Scaling — Intensity scaling option

`'independent'` (default) | `'joint'` | `'none'`

Intensity scaling option, specified as one of the following values:

'independent'	Scales the intensity values of A and B independently from each other.
'joint'	Scales the intensity values in the images jointly as if they were together in the same image. This option is useful when you want to visualize registrations of monomodal images, where one image contains fill values that are outside the dynamic range of the other image.
'none'	No additional scaling.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

obj — Visualization of two images

image object

Visualization of two images, returned as an image object.

Tips

- Use `imfuse` to create composite visualizations that you can save to a file. Use `imshowpair` to display composite visualizations to the screen.

See Also

`imfuse` | `imregister` | `imshow` | `imtransform` | `montage`

Introduced in R2012a

imsplit

Split multichannel image into its individual channels

Syntax

```
[c1,c2,c3,...,ck] = imsplit(I)
```

Description

`[c1,c2,c3,...,ck] = imsplit(I)` returns a set of k images representing the individual channels in the k -channel image `I`.

Examples

Split RGB Image into Its Component Channels

Read an RGB image into the workspace and display the image.

```
I = imread('peppers.png');  
imshow(I)
```



Split the image into its component red, green, and blue channels.

```
[r,g,b] = imsplit(I);
```

Display the three color channels as a montage. Red peppers have a signal predominantly in the red channel. Yellow and green peppers have a signal in both the red and green channels. White objects, such as the garlic in the foreground, have a strong signal in all three channels.

```
montage({r,g,b}, 'Size', [1 3])
```



Split Image in HSV Colorspace into Its Component Channels

Read an RGB image into the workspace and display the image.

```
rgbImage = imread('peppers.png');  
imshow(rgbImage)
```



Convert the RGB image to the HSV colorspace by using the `rgb2hsv` function.

```
hsvImage = rgb2hsv(rgbImage);
```

Split the HSV image into its component hue, saturation, and value channels.

```
[h,s,v] = imsplit(hsvImage);
```

Display the three channels as a montage.

```
montage({h,s,v}, 'Size', [1 3])
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

m-by-*n*-by-*k* array

Input image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-*k* numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

c1, c2, c3, . . . , ck — Output images

numeric matrix for each channel

Output images, returned as *k* individual numeric matrices, where *k* is the number of channels in the input image. The output images are the same class as the input image.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

See Also

cat | rgb2gray

Topics

“Display Separated Color Channels of an RGB Image”

“Convert from HSV to RGB Color Space”

Introduced in R2018b

imsubtract

Subtract one image from another or subtract constant from image

Syntax

```
Z = imsubtract(X,Y)
```

Description

`Z = imsubtract(X,Y)` subtracts each element in array `Y` from the corresponding element in array `X` and returns the difference in the corresponding element of the output array `Z`.

If `X` is an integer array, elements of the output that exceed the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

Examples

Subtract Two uint8 Arrays

This example shows how to subtract two `uint8` arrays. Note that negative results are rounded to 0.

```
X = uint8([ 255 0 75; 44 225 100]);  
Y = uint8([ 50 50 50; 50 50 50 ]);  
Z = imsubtract(X,Y)
```

```
Z = 2x3 uint8 matrix
```

```
    205     0     25  
     0    175     50
```


Subtract Image Background

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Estimate the background.

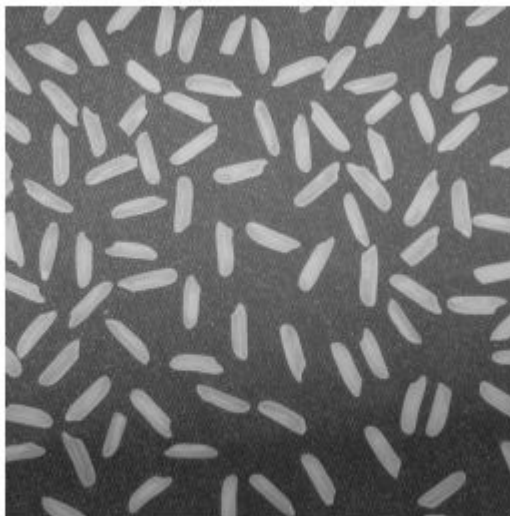
```
background = imopen(I, strel('disk', 15));
```

Subtract the background from the image.

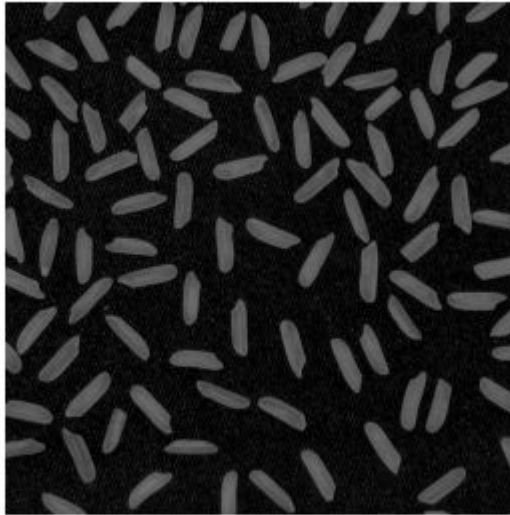
```
J = imsubtract(I, background);
```

Display the original image and the processed image.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Subtract a Constant from an Image

Read an image into the workspace.

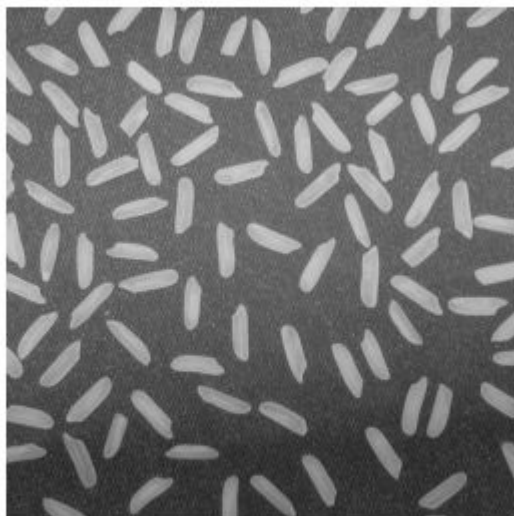
```
I = imread('rice.png');
```

Subtract a constant value from the image.

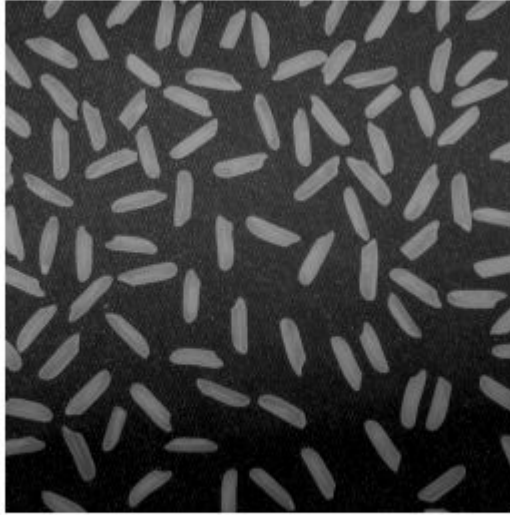
```
J = imsubtract(I,50);
```

Display the original image and the result.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Input Arguments

X — First array

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

First array (minuend), specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array of any dimension.

Y — Second array

real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

Second array (subtrahend) to be subtracted from X, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array. Y either has the same size and class as X, or Y is a scalar of type double.

Output Arguments

Z — Difference

numeric array

Difference, returned as a numeric array of the same size as *X*. *Z* is the same class as *X* unless *X* is logical, in which case *Z* is data type `double`. If *X* is an integer array, elements of the output that exceed the range of the integer type are truncated, and fractional values are rounded.

See Also

`imabsdiff` | `imadd` | `imcomplement` | `imdivide` | `imlincomb` | `immultiply`

Introduced before R2006a

imshow

Open Image Viewer app

The Image Viewer presents an integrated environment for displaying images and performing common image processing tasks.

The Image Viewer provides all the image display capabilities of `imshow`, which optimizes figure, axes, and image object property settings for image display. The Image Viewer also provides access to several tools for navigating and exploring images, such as the Pixel Region tool, Image Information tool, and the Adjust Contrast tool.

Syntax

```
imshow
imshow(I)
imshow(I,range)
imshow(RGB)
imshow(BW)
imshow(X,cmap)
imshow(filename)
imshow( ____,Name,Value)
hfigure = imshow( ____)
imshow close all
```

Description

`imshow` opens the Image Viewer app in an empty state. Use the **File** menu options **Open** or **Import from Workspace** to choose an image for display.

`imshow(I)` displays the grayscale image `I` in the Image Viewer, using the default display range of the image data type.

`imshow(I,range)` displays the grayscale image `I` in the Image Viewer, specifying the display range as `range`. Pixel values outside the display range are clipped to black or white. Pixel values within the display range are displayed as intermediate shades of gray. The Image Viewer uses the default number of gray levels.

`imtool(RGB)` displays the truecolor image `RGB` in the Image Viewer.

`imtool(BW)` displays the binary image `BW` in the Image Viewer. Pixel values of 0 display as black; pixel values of 1 display as white.

`imtool(X, cmap)` displays the indexed image `X` with colormap `cmap` in the Image Viewer.

`imtool(filename)` displays the image contained in the graphics file `filename` in the Image Viewer.

`imtool(____, Name, Value)` displays the image, specifying parameters and corresponding values that control various aspects of the image display. Parameter names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

`hfigure = imtool(____)` returns `hfigure`, a handle to the figure created by the Image Viewer.

`imtool close all` closes all open Image Viewers.

Examples

Display Different Types of Images

Display a color image from a file.

```
imtool('board.tif')
```

Display an indexed image.

```
[X,map] = imread('trees.tif');  
imtool(X,map)
```

Display a grayscale image.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
imtool(I)
```

Display a grayscale image, adjusting the display range.

```
h = imtool(I,[0 80]);  
close(h)
```

Input Arguments

I — 2-D grayscale image

m-by-*n* numeric matrix

2-D grayscale image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

range — Display range

2-element numeric vector | []

Display range of the grayscale image *I*, specified as one of these values.

Value	Description
[low high]	Image Viewer displays pixels with the value <code>low</code> (and any value less than <code>low</code>) as black. Image Viewer displays pixels with the value <code>high</code> (and any value greater than <code>high</code>) as white.
[]	Image Viewer automatically sets the display range to <code>[min(I(:)) max(I(:))]</code> . The minimum value in <i>I</i> is displayed as black, and the maximum value is displayed as white.

RGB — 2-D RGB image

m-by-*n*-by-3 numeric matrix

2-D RGB image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

BW — 2-D binary image

m-by-*n* logical matrix

2-D binary image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* logical matrix.

Data Types: `logical`

X — 2-D indexed image

m-by-*n* numeric matrix

2-D indexed image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `logical`

cmap — Color map*c*-by-3 numeric matrix

Color map associated with indexed image *X*, specified as a *c*-by-3 numeric matrix containing the RGB values of *c* colors.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

filename — File name

string scalar | character vector

File name of the graphics file containing the image, specified as a character vector. The file must contain an image that can be read by `imread` or `dicomread` or a reduced resolution dataset (R-Set) created by `rsetwrite`. If the file contains multiple images, the first one is displayed. The file must be in the current directory or on the MATLAB path.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `imtool(I, 'Colormap', jet)` displays the grayscale image *I* using the `jet` colormap.

Colormap — Color map*v*-by-3 numeric matrix

Color map, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Colormap'` and a *v*-by-3 numeric matrix. You can also create a colormap matrix using a predefined colormap function, such as `parula` or `jet`.

Example: `'Colormap', repmat([1:256]', 1, 3);`

Example: `'Colormap', jet`

Example: `'Colormap', parula(128)`

DisplayRange — Display range

2-element vector

Display range, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'DisplayRange' and a 2-element vector of the form [low high].

Note Including the parameter name is optional, except when the image is specified by a filename. The syntax `imshow(I,[low high])` is equivalent to `imshow(I,'DisplayRange',[low high])`. However, the 'DisplayRange' parameter must be specified when calling `imshow` with a filename, as in the syntax `imshow(filename,'DisplayRange',[low high])`.

InitialMagnification — Initial magnification

'adaptive' | 'fit' | numeric scalar

Initial magnification, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'InitialMagnification' and one of these values.

Parameter	Value
'adaptive'	The entire image is visible on initial display. If the image is too large to display on the screen, the Image Viewer displays the image at the largest magnification that fits on the screen.
'fit'	The Image Viewer scales the entire image to fit in the window.
numeric scalar	The Image Viewer scales the entire image as a percentage of the original image size. For example, if you specify 100, the Image Viewer displays the image at 100% magnification (one screen pixel for each image pixel). Note When the image aspect ratio is such that less than one pixel would be displayed in either dimension at the requested magnification, the Image Viewer issues a warning and displays the image at 100%.

By default, the initial magnification parameter is set to the value returned by `iptgetpref('ImtoolInitialMagnification')`.

Output Arguments

hfigure — Handle to Image Viewer

handle

Handle to Image Viewer figure, returned as a handle.

Definitions

Large Data Support

To view very large TIFF or NITF images that will not fit into memory, you can use `rsetwrite` to create a reduced resolution dataset (R-Set) viewable in the Image Viewer. R-Sets can also improve performance of the Image Viewer for large images that fit in memory.

The following tools can be used with an R-Set: Overview, Zoom, Pan, Image Information, and Distance. Other tools, however, will not work with an R-Set. You cannot use the Pixel Region, Adjust Contrast, Crop Image, and Window/Level tools. Please note that the Pixel Information tool displays only the x and y coordinates of a pixel and not the associated intensity, index, or RGB values.

Related Toolbox Preferences

You can use the Image Processing Preferences dialog box to set toolbox preferences that modify the behavior of the Image Viewer. To access the dialog, select **File > Preferences** in the MATLAB desktop or Image Viewer menu. You can also set preferences programmatically with `iptsetpref`:

Preference	Description
'ImtoolInitialMagnification'	Controls the initial magnification for image display. To override this toolbox preference, specify the 'InitialMagnification' parameter when you call <code>imtool</code> , as follows: <code>imtool(...,'InitialMagnification',initial_mag)</code>

Preference	Description
<code>'ImtoolStartWithOverview'</code>	Controls whether the Overview tool opens automatically when you open an image using the Image Viewer. Possible values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><code>true</code> — Overview tool opens when you open an image.<code>false</code> — Overview tool does not open when you open an image. This is the default behavior.

For more information about these preferences, see `iptprefs`.

Tips

- The Image Viewer provides all the image display capabilities of `imshow` but also provides access to several other tools for navigating and exploring images, such as the Pixel Region tool, Image Information tool, and the Adjust Contrast tool. The Image Viewer presents an integrated environment for displaying images and performing some common image processing tasks.
- For grayscale images having integer types, the default display range is `[intmin(class(I)) intmax(class(I))]`.

For grayscale images of class `single` or `double`, the default display range is `[0 1]`. If the data range of a `single` or `double` image is much larger or smaller than the default display range, you might need to experiment with setting the display range to see features in the image that would not be visible using the default display range.

- You can access the Image Viewer through the Apps tab. Navigate to the Image Processing and Computer Vision group and select Image Viewer.
- You can close a specific Image Viewer specified by the handle `hfigure`, by using the command `close(hfigure)`.

See Also

`imageinfo` | `imcontrast` | `imoverview` | `impixelregion` | `imshow` | `iptprefs`

Introduced before R2006a

imtophat

Top-hat filtering

Syntax

```
J = imtophat(I,SE)
J = imtophat(I,nhood)
```

Description

`J = imtophat(I,SE)` performs morphological top-hat filtering on the grayscale or binary image `I`, returning the filtered image, `J`. Top-hat filtering computes the morphological opening of the image (using `imopen`) and then subtracts the result from the original image. `SE` is a single structuring element object returned by the `strel` or `offsetstrel` functions.

You optionally can perform the top-hat filtering using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = imtophat(I,nhood)` top-hat filters the image `I`, where `nhood` is a matrix of 0s and 1s that specifies the structuring element neighborhood. This is equivalent to the syntax `imtophat(I,strel(nhood))`. The `imtophat` function determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(nhood)+1)/2)`.

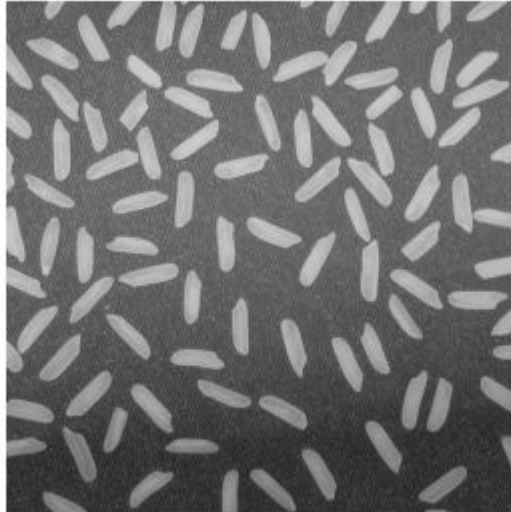
Examples

Use Top-hat Filtering to Correct Uneven Illumination

This example shows how to use top-hat filtering with a disk-shaped structuring element to remove uneven background illumination from an image with a dark background.

Read an image and display it.

```
original = imread('rice.png');  
imshow(original)
```

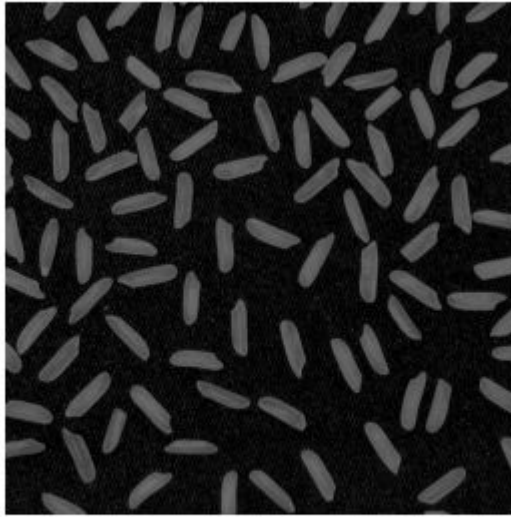


Create the structuring element.

```
se = strel('disk',12);
```

Perform the top-hat filtering and display the image.

```
tophatFiltered = imtophat(original,se);  
figure  
imshow(tophatFiltered)
```



Use `imadjust` to improve the visibility of the result.

```
contrastAdjusted = imadjust(tophatFiltered);  
figure  
imshow(contrastAdjusted)
```



Use Top-Hat Filtering to Correct Uneven Illumination on the GPU

You can use top-hat filtering to correct uneven illumination when the background is dark. This example uses top-hat filtering with a disk-shaped structuring element to remove the uneven background illumination from an image.

Read an image and display it.

```
original = imread('rice.png');  
figure, imshow(original)
```

Create the structuring element.

```
se = strel('disk',12);
```

Perform the top-hat filtering and display the image. Note how the example passes the image to the `gpuArray` function before passing it to the `imtophat` function.


```
tophatFiltered = imtophat(gpuArray(original),se);  
figure, imshow(tophatFiltered)
```

Use `imadjust` to improve the visibility of the result. The `gather` function is used to retrieve the contents of the `gpuArray` from the GPU.

```
contrastAdjusted = imadjust(gather(tophatFiltered));  
figure, imshow(contrastAdjusted)
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

grayscale image | binary image | `gpuArray`

Input image, specified as a grayscale image or binary image. `I` can have any dimension, and must be real and nonsparse.

To perform the top-hat filtering using a GPU, specify `I` as a `gpuArray` that contains an image of type `uint8` or `logical`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object | `offsetstrel` object

Structuring element, specified as a single `strel` object or `offsetstrel` object. If the image `I` is data type `logical`, the structuring element must be flat.

If you perform the top-hat filtering using a GPU, then `SE` must be flat and two-dimensional.

nhood — Structuring element neighborhood

matrix of 0s and 1s

Structuring element neighborhood, specified as a matrix of 0s and 1s.

Example: `[0 1 0; 1 1 1; 0 1 0]`

Output Arguments

J — Top-hat filtered image

grayscale image | binary image | gpuArray

Top-hat filtered image, returned as a grayscale image or binary image. J has the same class as input image I.

If the filtering is performed using a GPU, then J is returned as a `gpuArray` that contains a grayscale or binary image of the same class as I.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imtophat` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `imtophat` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the image input argument, `I`, must be 2-D or 3-D and the structuring element input argument, `SE`, must be a compile-time constant.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `gpuArray` input must be of type `uint8` or `logical` and the structuring element must be flat and two-dimensional.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

Functions

`imbothat` | `imclose` | `imdilate` | `imerode` | `imopen`

Objects

`offsetstrel` | `strel`

Introduced before R2006a

imtransform

Apply 2-D spatial transformation to image

Note `imtransform` is not recommended. Use `imwarp` instead.

Syntax

```
B = imtransform(A,tform)
B = imtransform(A,tform,interp)
B = imtransform( ___,Name,Value)
[B,xdata,ydata] = imtransform( ___ )
```

Description

`B = imtransform(A,tform)` transforms image A according to the 2-D spatial transformation defined by `tform`, and returns the transformed image, B.

If A is a color image, then `imtransform` applies the same 2-D transformation to each color channel. Likewise, if A is a volume or image sequence with three or more dimensions, then `imtransform` applies the same 2-D transformation to all 2-D planes along the higher dimensions. For arbitrary-dimensional array transformations, use `tformarray`.

`B = imtransform(A,tform,interp)` specifies the form of interpolation to use.

`B = imtransform(___,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control various aspects of the spatial transformation.

`[B,xdata,ydata] = imtransform(___)` also returns the extent of the output image B in the output X-Y space. By default, `imtransform` calculates `xdata` and `ydata` automatically so that B contains the entire transformed image A. However, you can override this automatic calculation by specifying values for the `XData` and `YData` name-value pair input arguments.

Examples

Simple Transformation

Apply a horizontal shear to a grayscale image.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
tform = maketform('affine',[1 0 0; .5 1 0; 0 0 1]);
J = imtransform(I,tform);
imshow(J)
```



Projective Transformation

Map a square to a quadrilateral with a projective transformation. Set up an input coordinate system so that the input image fills the unit square with vertices (0 0), (1 0), (1 1), (0 1).

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
udata = [0 1]; vdata = [0 1];
```

Transform to a quadrilateral with vertices (-4 2), (-8 3), (-3 -5), (6 3).

```
tform = maketform('projective',[ 0 0; 1 0; 1 1; 0 1],...
                    [-4 2; -8 -3; -3 -5; 6 3]);
```

Fill with gray and use bicubic interpolation. Make the output size the same as the input size.

```
[B,xdata,ydata] = imtransform(I,tform,'bicubic', ...
                              'udata',udata,...
```

```
        'vdata',vdata,...  
        'size',size(I),...  
        'fill',128);  
subplot(1,2,1); imshow(I,'XData',udata,'YData',vdata)  
subplot(1,2,2); imshow(B,'XData',xdata,'YData',ydata)
```

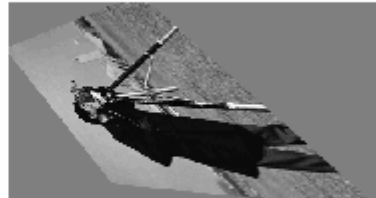


Image Registration

Read an aerial photo into the MATLAB workspace and view it.

```
unregistered = imread('westconcordaerial.png');  
figure  
imshow(unregistered)
```



Read an orthophoto into the MATLAB workspace and view it.

```
figure  
imshow('westconcordorthophoto.png')
```



Load control points that were previously picked.

```
load westconcordpoints
```

Create a transformation structure for a projective transformation using the points.

```
t_concord = cp2tform(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 'projective');
```

Get the width and height of the orthophoto, perform the transformation, and view the result.

```
info = imfinfo('westconcordorthophoto.png');  
  
registered = imtransform(unregistered, t_concord, ...  
    'XData', [1 info.Width], 'YData', [1 info.Height]);  
figure  
imshow(registered)
```



Input Arguments

A — Image to be transformed

numeric array | logical array

Image to be transformed, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

tform — Transformation structure

struct

Transformation structure, specified as a struct, such as returned by `maketform` or `cp2tform`. The first dimension of the transformation is the horizontal or x-coordinate, and the second dimension is the vertical or y-coordinate. This convention is the reverse of the array subscripting convention in MATLAB.

interp — Interpolation method

'bilinear' (default) | 'nearest' | 'bicubic' | resampler structure

Interpolation method, specified as one of these values.

Interpolation Method	Description
'bilinear'	Linear interpolation
'nearest'	Nearest-neighbor interpolation—the output pixel is assigned the value of the pixel that the point falls within. No other pixels are considered.
'bicubic'	Cubic interpolation
resampler structure	resampler structure returned by <code>makeresampler</code> . This option allows more control over how <code>imtransform</code> performs resampling.

Data Types: char

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `B = imtransform(A,T,'FillValues',128)`

UData, VData — Spatial extent in U-V input space

2-element numeric vector

Spatial extent of input image `A` in the U-V input space, specified as 2-element numeric vectors. The values of `UData` and `VData` represent coordinates in the world coordinate system. The two elements of `UData` give the *u*-coordinates (horizontal) of the first and last columns of `A`, respectively. The two elements of `VData` give the *v*-coordinates (vertical) of the first and last rows of `A`.

By default, the spatial extent of `A` in the U-V space is the same as the image extent in intrinsic coordinates. In other words, the default value of `UData` is `[1 size(A,2)]` and the default value of `VData` is `[1 size(A,1)]`.

XData, YData — Spatial extent in X-Y output space

2-element numeric vector

Spatial extent of transformed image `B` in the X-Y input space, specified as 2-element numeric vectors. The values of `XData` and `YData` represent coordinates in the world

coordinate system. The two elements of `XData` give the x -coordinates (horizontal) of the first and last columns of `B`, respectively. The two elements of `YData` give the y -coordinates (vertical) of the first and last rows of `B`.

If you do not specify `XData` and `YData`, then `imtransform` estimates values that contain the entire transformed output image. To determine these values, `imtransform` uses the `findbounds` function.

XYScale — Size of pixels in X-Y output space

numeric scalar | 2-element numeric vector

Size of pixels in X-Y output space, specified as a numeric scalar or 2-element numeric vector. If `XYScale` is a scalar, then output pixels are square and `XYScale` specifies the side length. Otherwise, the two elements of `XYScale` specify the width and height of each output pixel in X-Y space, respectively.

The default value of `XYScale` depends on whether you specify `Size`:

- If you specify `Size`, then `imtransform` calculates `XYScale` from `Size`, `XData`, and `YData`.
- If you do not specify `Size`, then `imtransform` uses the scale of the input pixels for `XYScale`, except in cases where an excessively large output image would result.

Note In cases where preserving the scale of the input image would result in an excessively large output image, the `imtransform` function automatically increases the value of `XYScale`. To ensure that the output pixel scale matches the input pixel scale, specify the `XYScale` parameter. For example, call `imtransform` as shown in the following syntax:

```
B = imtransform(A,T,'XYScale',1)
```

Size — Size of transformed image

2-element vector of positive integers

Size of transformed image `B`, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. The two elements of `Size` specify the number of rows and columns of the output image `B`, respectively. For higher dimensions, `imtransform` takes the size of `B` directly from the size of input image `A`. Thus, `size(B,k)` equals `size(A,k)` for $k > 2$.

If you do not specify `Size`, then `imtransform` derives this value from `XData`, `YData`, and `XYScale`.

FillValues — Fill value

numeric scalar | numeric array

Fill value used for output pixels outside the input image boundaries, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'FillValues'` and a numeric scalar or numeric array. Fill values are used for output pixels when the corresponding inverse transformed location in the input image is completely outside the input image boundaries.

- If the input image `A` is 2-D, then `FillValues` must be a scalar.
- If `A` is 3-D or N-D, then `FillValues` can be an array whose size satisfies the following constraint: `size(FillValues, k)` must equal either `size(A, k+2)` or 1.

For example, if `A` is a `uint8` RGB image that is 200-by-200-by-3, then possibilities for `'FillValues'` include the following values.

Value	Fill
0	Fill with black
[0;0;0]	Fill with black
255	Fill with white
[255;255;255]	Fill with white
[0;0;255]	Fill with blue
[255;255;0]	Fill with yellow

For a second example, if `A` is 4-D with size 200-by-200-by-3-by-10, then you can specify `'FillValues'` as a scalar, 1-by-10 vector, 3-by-1 vector, or 3-by-10 matrix.

Output Arguments

B — Transformed image

numeric array | logical array

Transformed image, returned as a numeric or logical array of the same dimensionality as the input image `A`.

xdata — Horizontal extent in X-Y output space

2-element numeric vector

Horizontal extent of the transformed image **B** in X-Y output space, returned as a 2-element numeric vector. The two elements of **xdata** give the x-coordinates (horizontal) of the first and last columns of **B** in the world coordinate system, respectively.

Note The first element of **xdata** always equals the first element of the **XData** argument, if specified. However, sometimes the second element of **xdata** does not exactly equal the second element of **XData**. The values differ either because of the need for an integer number of rows and columns, or because you specified values for **XData**, **YData**, **XYScale**, and **Size** that are not entirely consistent.

ydata — Vertical extent in X-Y output space

2-element numeric vector

Vertical extent of the transformed image **B** in X-Y output space, returned as a 2-element numeric vector. The two elements of **ydata** give the y-coordinates (vertical) of the first and last rows of **B** in the world coordinate system, respectively.

Note The first element of **ydata** always equals the first element of the **YData** argument, if specified. However, sometimes the second element of **ydata** does not exactly equal the second element of **YData**. The values differ either because of the need for an integer number of rows and columns, or because you specified values for **XData**, **YData**, **XYScale**, and **Size** that are not entirely consistent.

Tips

- **Image Registration.** The `imtransform` function automatically shifts the origin of your output image to make as much of the transformed image visible as possible. If you use `imtransform` to do image registration, the syntax `B = imtransform(A, tform)` can produce unexpected results. To control the spatial location of the output image, set **XData** and **YData** explicitly.
- **Pure Translation.** Calling the `imtransform` function with a purely translational transformation results in an output image that is exactly like the input image unless you specify **XData** and **YData** values in your call to `imtransform`. For example, if you

want the output to be the same size as the input revealing the translation relative to the input image, call `imtransform` as shown in the following syntax:

```
B = imtransform(A,T,'XData',[1 size(A,2)],...  
    'YData',[1 size(A,1)])
```

For more information about this topic, see “Perform Simple 2-D Translation Transformation”.

- **Transformation Speed.** If you do not specify the output-space location for `B` using `XData` and `YData`, then `imtransform` estimates the location automatically using the function `findbounds`. You can use `findbounds` as a quick forward-mapping option for some commonly used transformations, such as affine or projective. For transformations that do not have a forward mapping, such as polynomial transformations computed by `fitgeotrans`, `findbounds` can take much longer. If you can specify `XData` and `YData` directly for such transformations, then `imtransform` may run noticeably faster.
- **Clipping.** The automatic estimate of `XData` and `YData` using `findbounds` sometimes clips the output image. To avoid clipping, set `XData` and `YData` directly.
- **Arbitrary Dimensional Transformations.** Use a 2-D transformation for `tform` when using `imtransform`. For arbitrary-dimensional array transformations, see `tformarray`.

See Also

`checkerboard` | `cp2tform` | `imresize` | `imrotate` | `makeresampler` | `maketform` | `tformarray`

Topics

“Perform Simple 2-D Translation Transformation”
Exploring Slices from a 3-Dimensional MRI Data Set
Padding and Shearing an Image Simultaneously

Introduced before R2006a

imtranslate

Translate image

Syntax

```
B = imtranslate(A,translation)
[B,RB] = imtranslate(A,RA,translation)
___ = imtranslate(___ ,method)
___ = imtranslate(___ ,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imtranslate(A,translation)` translates image `A` by the translation vector specified in `translation`. If `A` has more than two dimensions and `translation` is a two-element vector, `imtranslate` applies a 2-D translation to `A`, one plane at a time.

`[B,RB] = imtranslate(A,RA,translation)` translates the spatially referenced image `A` with its associated spatial referencing object `RA`. The translation vector, `translation`, is in the world coordinate system. The function returns the translated spatially referenced image `B`, with its associated spatial referencing object, `RB`.

`___ = imtranslate(___ ,method)` translates image `A`, using the interpolation method specified by `method`.

`___ = imtranslate(___ ,Name,Value)` translates the input image using name-value pairs to control various aspects of the translation.

Examples

Translate 2-D Image

Read image into the workspace.

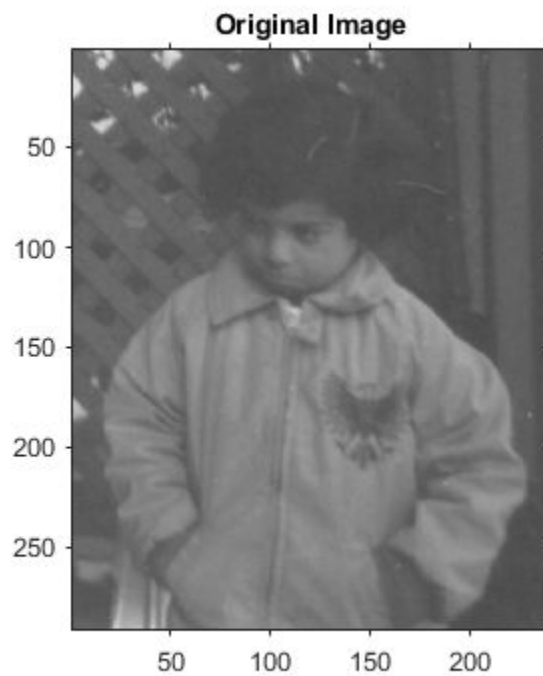
```
I = imread('pout.tif');
```

Translate the image.

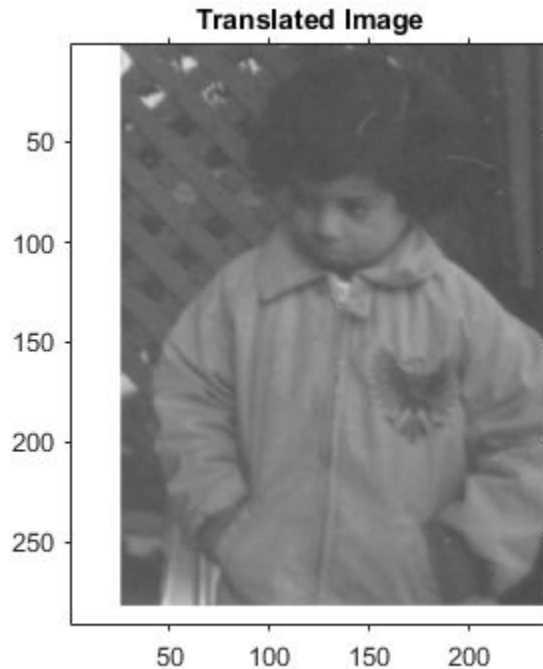
```
J = imtranslate(I,[25.3, -10.1],'FillValues',255);
```

Display the original image and the translated image.

```
figure  
imshow(I);  
title('Original Image');  
set(gca,'Visible','on');
```



```
figure  
imshow(J);  
title('Translated Image');  
set(gca,'Visible','on');
```



Translate 2-D Image and View Entire Translated Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');
```

Translate the image. Use the `OutputView` parameter to specify that you want the entire translated image to be visible.

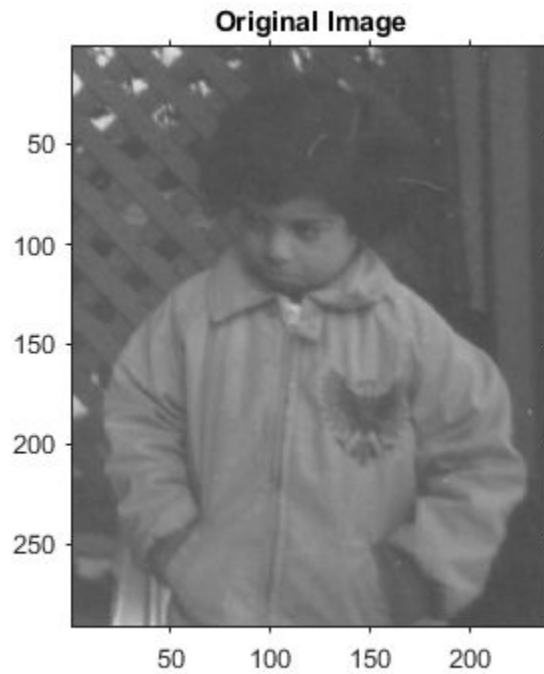
```
J = imtranslate(I,[25.3, -10.1],'FillValues',255,'OutputView','full');
```

Display the original image and the translated image.

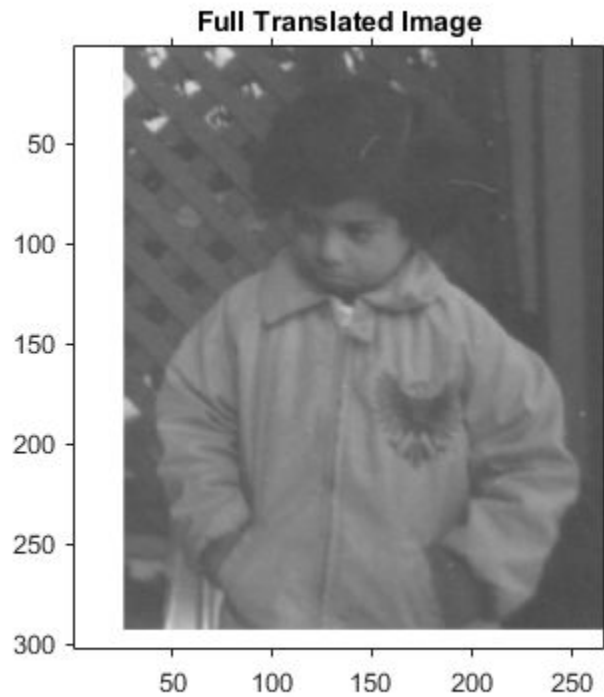
```
figure  
imshow(I);
```



```
title('Original Image');  
set(gca,'Visible','on');
```



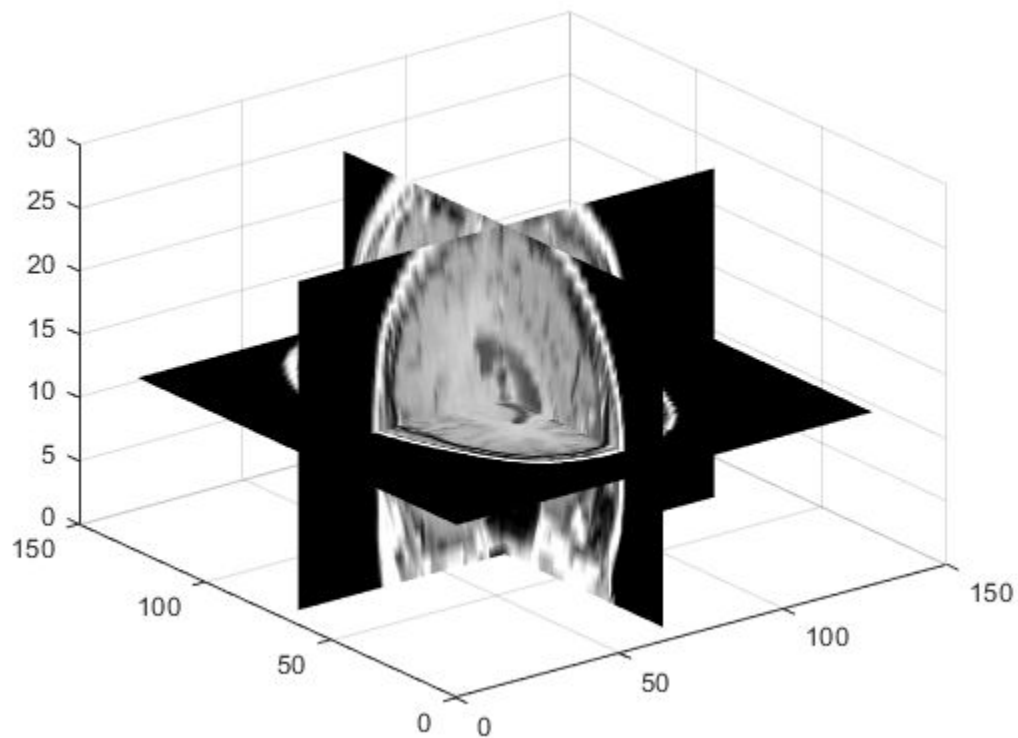
```
figure  
imshow(J);  
title('Full Translated Image');  
set(gca,'Visible','on');
```



Translate 3-D MRI Dataset

Load MRI data into the workspace and display it.

```
s = load('mri');  
mriVolume = squeeze(s.D);  
sizeIn = size(mriVolume);  
hFigOriginal = figure;  
hAxOriginal = axes;  
slice(double(mriVolume),sizeIn(2)/2,sizeIn(1)/2,sizeIn(3)/2);  
grid on, shading interp, colormap gray
```

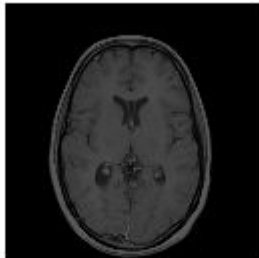


Apply a translation in the X,Y direction.

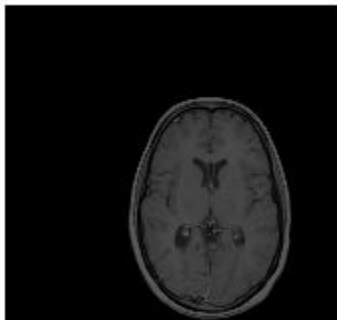
```
mriVolumeTranslated = imtranslate(mriVolume,[40,30,0],'OutputView','full');
```

Visualize the translation by viewing an axial slice plane taken through center of the volume. Note the shift in the X and Y directions.

```
sliceIndex = round(sizeIn(3)/2);  
axialSliceOriginal = mriVolume(:,:,sliceIndex);  
axialSliceTranslated = mriVolumeTranslated(:,:,sliceIndex);  
  
imshow(axialSliceOriginal);
```



```
imshow(axialSliceTranslated);
```



Input Arguments

A — Image to be translated

nonsparse, numeric array | logical array

Image to be translated, specified as a nonsparse, numeric array of any class, except `uint64` and `int64`, or a logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

RA — Spatial referencing information associated with the input image A

`imref2d` or `imref3d` spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information associated with the input image A, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` spatial referencing object.

translation — Translation vector

two-element or three-element, nonsparse, real-valued, numeric vector

Translation vector, specified as a two-element or three-element, nonsparse, real-valued, numeric vector, such as `[Tx Ty]`, for 2-D inputs, and `[Tx Ty Tz]`, for 3-D inputs. Values can be fractional.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

method — Interpolation method

`'linear'` (default) | `'nearest'` | `'cubic'`

Interpolation method, specified by one of the following values:

Value	Description
<code>'cubic'</code>	Cubic interpolation. Note Cubic interpolation can produce pixel values outside the original range.
<code>'linear'</code>	Linear interpolation
<code>'nearest'</code>	Nearest-neighbor interpolation; the output pixel is assigned the value of the pixel that the point falls within. No other pixels are considered.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

```
Example: mriVolumeTranslated = imtranslate(mriVolume,  
[40,30,0], 'OutputView', 'full');
```

OutputView — Output world limits

'same' (default) | 'full'

Output world limits, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'OutputView' and one of the following values:

Value	Description
'same'	Output world limits are the same as the input image.
'full'	Output world limits are the bounding rectangle that includes both the input image and the translated output image.

Data Types: char | string

FillValues — Fill values used for output pixels outside the input image

0 (default) | numeric array

Fill values used for output pixels outside the input image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FillValues' and a numeric array containing one or several fill values. `imtranslate` uses fill values for output pixels when the corresponding inverse transformed location in the input image is completely outside the input image boundaries.

- If `A` is 2-D, `FillValues` must be a scalar.
- If `A` is 3-D and `translation` is a three-element vector, `FillValues` must be a scalar.
- If `A` is `N`-D and `translation` is a two-element vector, `FillValues` can be either scalar or an array whose size matches dimensions 3-to-`N` of `A`. For example, if `A` is a `uint8` RGB image that is 200-by-200-by-3, `FillValues` can be a scalar or a 3-by-1 array.
- If `A` is 4-D, `FillValues` can be a scalar or an array. For example, if `A` is 200-by-200-by-3-by-10, then `FillValues` can be a scalar or a 3-by-10 array.

Some example fill values:

Fill Value	Description
0	Fill with black
[0;0;0]	Fill with black
255	Fill with white
[255;255;255]	Fill with white
[0;0;255]	Fill with blue
[255;255;0]	Fill with yellow

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

B — Translated image

`nonsparse`, real-valued, numeric array | logical array

Translated image, returned as a `nonsparse`, real-valued, numeric array or logical array. The class of B is the same as the class of A.

RB — Spatial referencing information associated with the output image

`imref2d` or `imref3d` spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information associated with the output image, returned as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` spatial referencing object.

Tips

- `imtranslate` is optimized for integrally valued translation vectors.
- When 'OutputView' is 'full' and translation is a fractional number of pixels, `imtranslate` expands the world limits of the output spatial referencing object to the nearest full pixel increment. `imtranslate` does this so that it contains both the original and translated images at the same resolution as the input image. The additional image extent in each is added on one side of the image, in the direction that the translation vector points. For example, when translation is fractional and positive in both X and Y, then `imtranslate` expands the maximum of `XWorldLimits`

and `YWorldLimits` to enclose the 'full' bounding rectangle at the resolution of the input image.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imtranslate` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imtranslate` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The function supports only 2-D translation vectors, `translation`. 3-D translations are not supported.

See Also

`imref2d` | `imref3d` | `imresize` | `imrotate` | `imwarp`

Topics

“Translate an Image using `imtranslate` Function”

Introduced in R2014a

imwarp

Apply geometric transformation to image

Syntax

```
B = imwarp(A,tform)
B = imwarp(A,D)
[B,RB] = imwarp(A,RA,tform)
B = imwarp( ____,interp)
[B,RB] = imwarp( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = imwarp(A,tform)` transforms the image `A` according to the geometric transformation defined by `tform`, which is a geometric transformation object. `B` is the transformed image.

`B = imwarp(A,D)` transforms the input image `A` according to the displacement field defined by `D`.

`[B,RB] = imwarp(A,RA,tform)` transforms the spatially referenced image, specified by the image data `A` and the associated spatial referencing object `RA`. The output is a spatially referenced image specified by the image data `B` and the associated spatial referencing object `RB`.

`B = imwarp(____,interp)` specifies the form of interpolation to use.

`[B,RB] = imwarp(____,Name,Value)` specifies parameters that control various aspects of the geometric transformation. Parameter names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

Examples

Apply Horizontal Shear to Image

Read grayscale image into workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
imshow(I)
```



Create a 2-D geometric transformation object.

```
tform = affine2d([1 0 0; .5 1 0; 0 0 1])
```

```
tform =  
  affine2d with properties:
```

```
  Dimensionality: 2  
  T: [3x3 double]
```

Apply the transformation to the image.

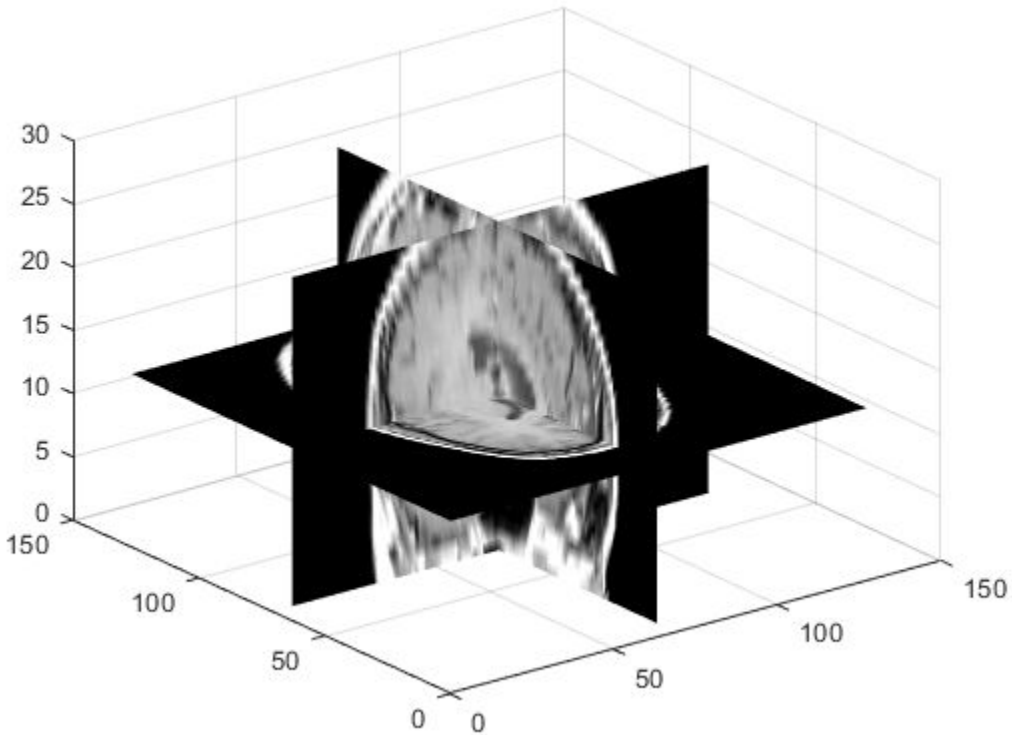
```
J = imwarp(I,tform);  
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Apply Rotation Transformation to 3-D MRI Dataset

Read 3-D MRI data into the workspace and visualize it.

```
s = load('mri');  
mriVolume = squeeze(s.D);  
sizeIn = size(mriVolume);  
hFigOriginal = figure;  
hAxOriginal = axes;  
slice(double(mriVolume),sizeIn(2)/2,sizeIn(1)/2,sizeIn(3)/2);  
grid on, shading interp, colormap gray
```



Create a 3-D geometric transformation object. First create a transformation matrix that rotates the image around the y -axis. Then pass the matrix to the `affine3d` object constructor.

```
theta = pi/8;
t = [cos(theta)  0   -sin(theta)  0
      0          1    0           0
      sin(theta) 0    cos(theta)  0
      0          0    0           1]

t = 4x4

    0.9239         0   -0.3827         0
         0      1.0000         0         0
```

```
0.3827    0    0.9239    0
         0    0         0    1.0000
```

```
tform = affine3d(t)
```

```
tform =  
  affine3d with properties:
```

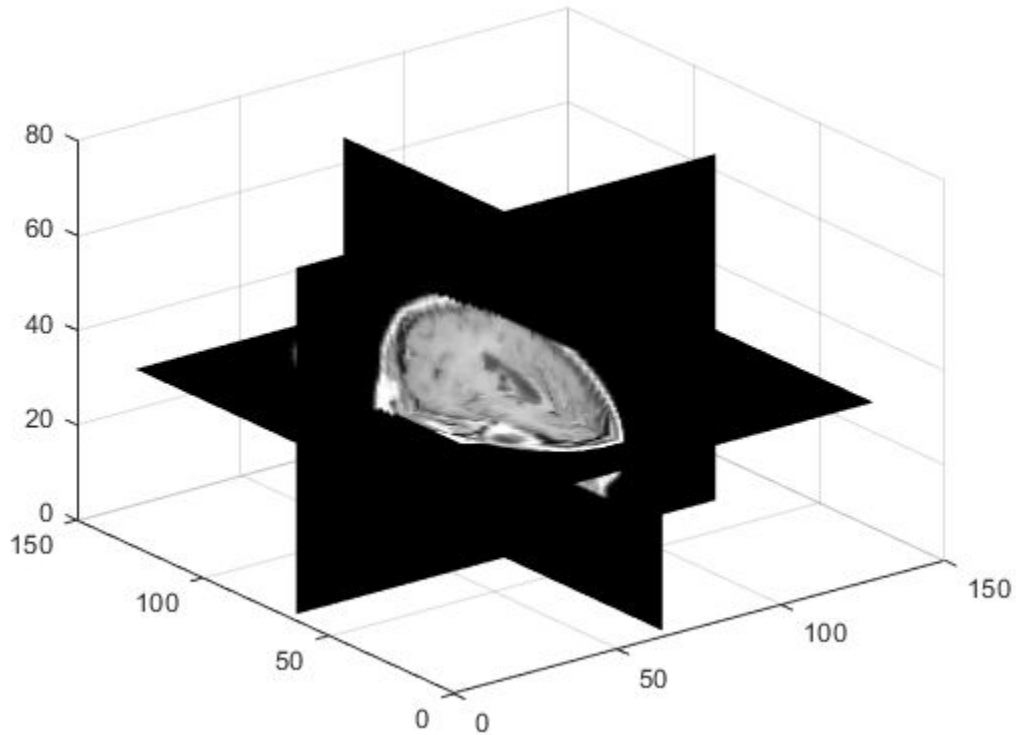
```
  Dimensionality: 3  
  T: [4x4 double]
```

Apply the transformation to the image.

```
mriVolumeRotated = imwarp(mriVolume,tform);
```

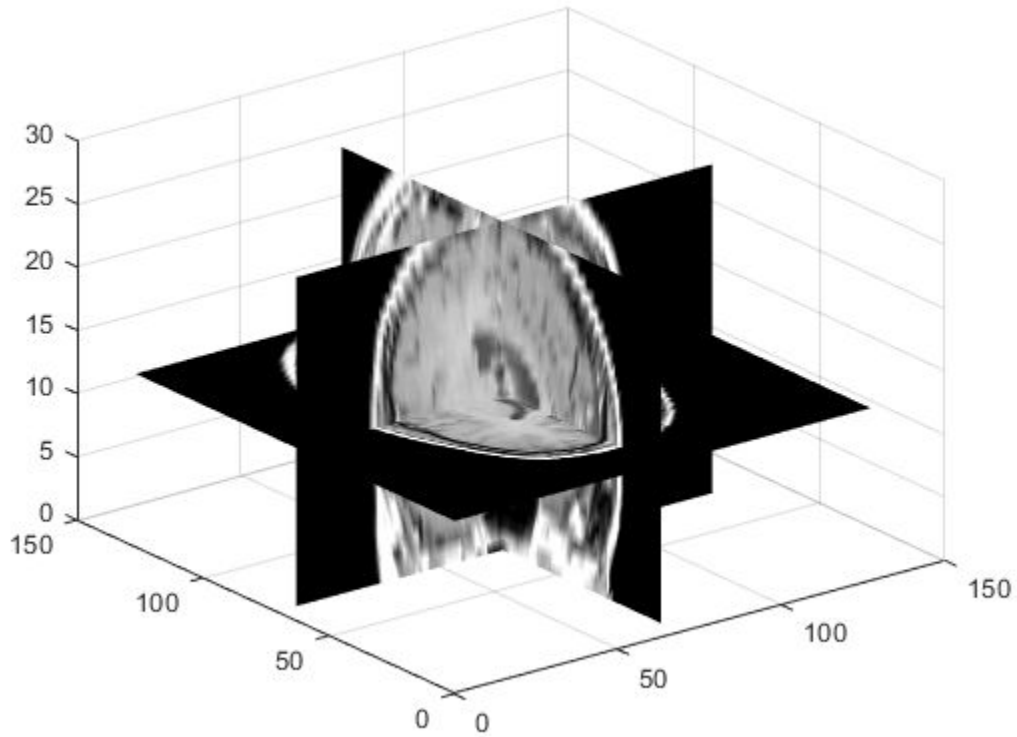
Visualize three slice planes through the center of the transformed volumes.

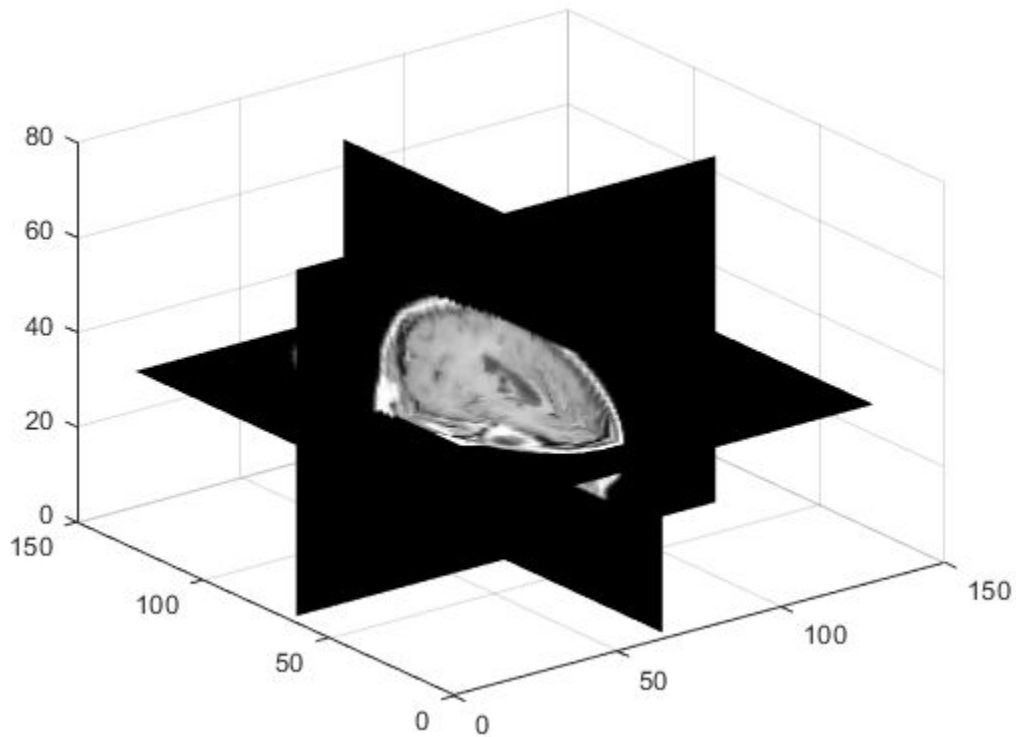
```
sizeOut = size(mriVolumeRotated);  
hFigRotated = figure;  
hAxRotated = axes;  
slice(double(mriVolumeRotated),sizeOut(2)/2,sizeOut(1)/2,sizeOut(3)/2);  
grid on, shading interp, colormap gray
```



Link views of both axes together.

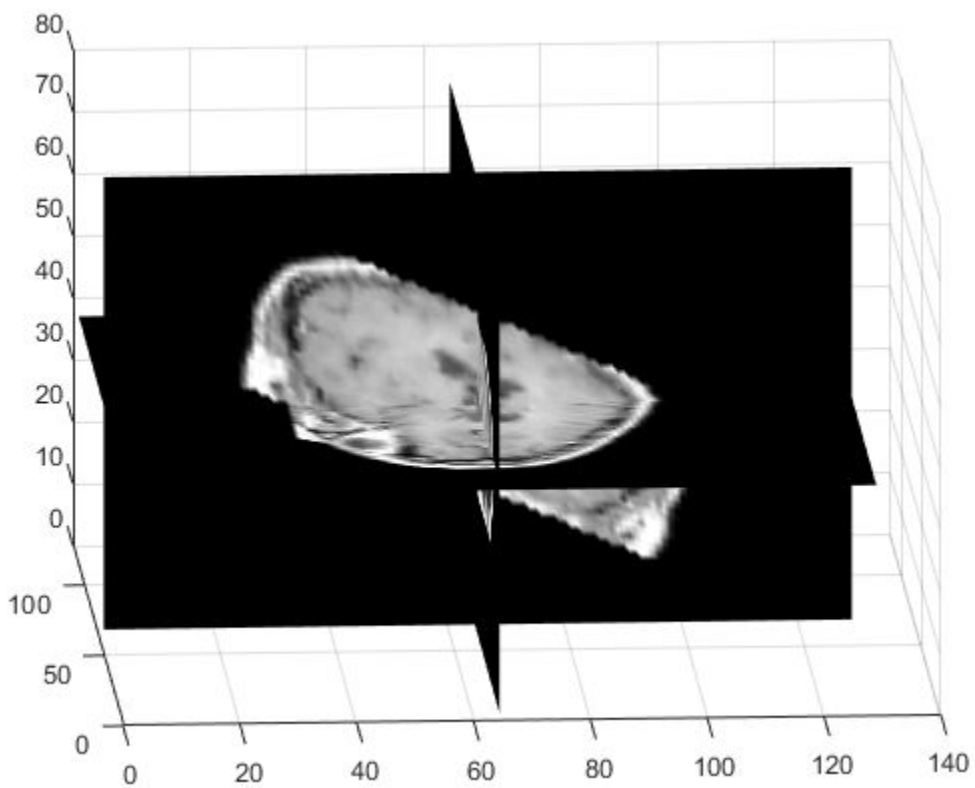
```
linkprop([hAxOriginal,hAxRotated],'View');
```

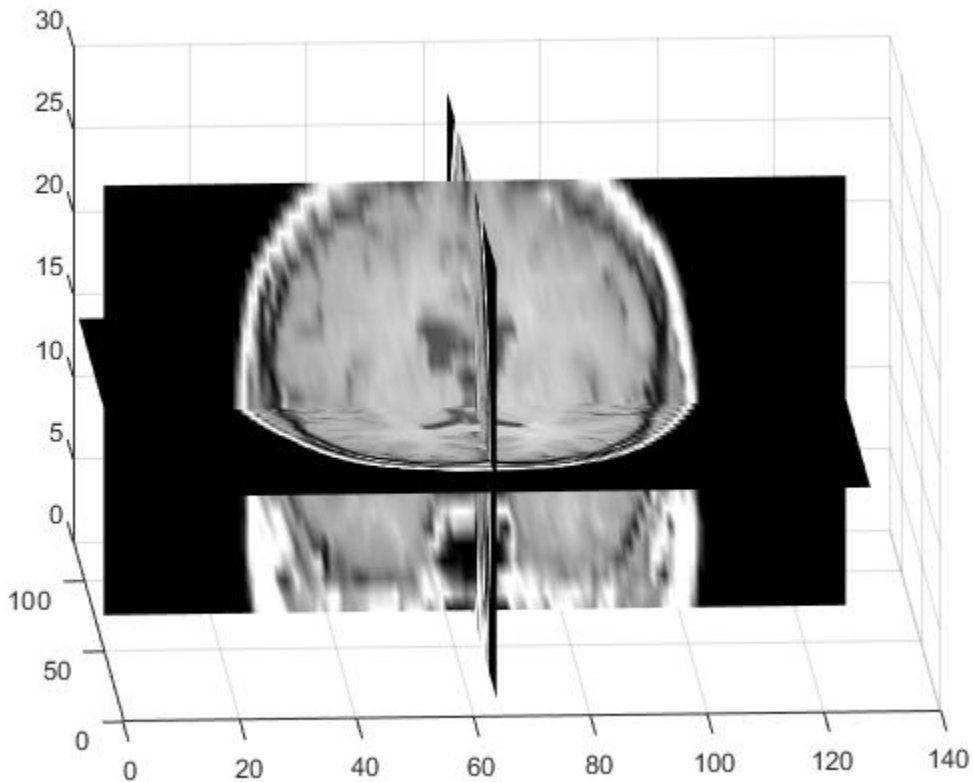




Set view to see effect of rotation.

```
set(hAxRotated, 'View', [-3.5 20.0])
```



Input Arguments

A — Image to be transformed

nonsparse, real-valued array

Image to be transformed, specified as a nonsparse, real-valued array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

tform — 2-D or 3-D geometric transformation to perform

geometric transformation object

2-D or 3-D geometric transformation to perform, specified as a geometric transformation object. There are three types of geometric transformation objects: `affine2d`, `projective2d` or `affine3d`.

- If `tform` is 2-D and `ndims(A) > 2`, such as for a truecolor image, `imwarp` applies the same 2-D transformation to all 2-D planes along the higher dimensions.
- If `tform` is 3-D, `A` must be a 3-D image volume.

D — Displacement field

nonsparse numeric array

Displacement field, specified as nonsparse numeric array. The displacement field defines the grid size and location of the output image. Displacement values are in units of pixels. `imwarp` assumes that `D` is referenced to the default intrinsic coordinate system. To estimate the displacement field, use `imregdemons`.

- If `A` is a 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n , then `D` is m -by- n -by-2. The first plane of the displacement field, `D(:, :, 1)`, describes the x -component of additive displacement. `imwarp` adds these values to column and row locations in `D` to produce remapped locations in `A`. Similarly, the second plane of the displacement field, `D(:, :, 2)`, describes the y -component of additive displacement values.
- If `A` is a 2-D truecolor or 3-D grayscale image of size m -by- n -by- p , then `D` is:
 - m -by- n -by- p -by-3. `D(:, :, :, 1)` contains displacements along the x -axis, `D(:, :, :, 2)` contains displacements along the y -axis, and `D(:, :, :, 3)` contains displacements along the z -axis
 - m -by- n -by-2, then `imwarp` applies the displacement field to one plane at a time.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

RA — Spatial referencing information associated with the image to be transformed

spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information associated with the image to be transformed, specified as a spatial referencing object.

- If `tform` is a 2-D geometric transformation, `RA` must be a 2-D spatial referencing object (`imref2d`).

- If `tform` is a 3-D geometric transformation, `RA` must be a 3-D spatial referencing object (`imref3d`).

interp — Form of interpolation used

'linear' (default) | 'nearest' | 'cubic'

Form of interpolation used, specified as one of these values.

Interpolation Method	Description
'linear'	Linear interpolation
'nearest'	Nearest-neighbor interpolation—the output pixel is assigned the value of the pixel that the point falls within. No other pixels are considered.
'cubic'	Cubic interpolation

Data Types: `char`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `J = imwarp(I,tform,'FillValues',255)` uses white pixels as fill values.

OutputView — Size and location of output image in world coordinate system

`imref2d` or `imref3d` spatial referencing object

Size and location of output image in world coordinate system, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'OutputView' and an `imref2d` or `imref3d` spatial referencing object. The `ImageSize`, `XWorldLimits`, and `YWorldLimits` properties of the spatial referencing object define the size of the output image and the location of the output image in the world coordinate system. The use of 'OutputView' is not available when applying displacement fields.

FillValues — Value used for output pixels outside image boundaries

numeric scalar or array

Value used for output pixels outside the input image boundaries, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FillValues' and a numeric array. Fill values are used for

output pixels when the corresponding inverse transformed location in the input image is completely outside the input image boundaries.

- If the input image is 2-D, `FillValues` must be a scalar.
- If the input image is 3-D and the geometric transformation is 3-D, `FillValues` must be a scalar.
- If the input image is N-D and the geometric transformation is 2-D, `FillValues` can be a scalar or an array. If you specify an array, the array size must match the higher dimensions of the input image. For example, if the input image is a `uint8` RGB image that is 200-by-200-by-3, `FillValues` can be a scalar or a 3-by-1 array. In another example, if the input image is 4-D with size 200-by-200-by-3-by-10, `FillValues` can be a scalar or a 3-by-10 array.

In this RGB image example, possibilities for `FillValues` include:

FillValue	Effect
0	Fill with black
[0;0;0]	Fill with black
255	Fill with white
[255;255;255]	Fill with white
[0;0;255]	Fill with blue
[255;255;0]	Fill with yellow

SmoothEdges — Pad image to create smooth edges

false (default) | true

Pad image to create smooth edges, specified as the logical value `true` or `false`. When set to `true`, `imwarp` pads the input image (with values specified by `FillValues`) to create a smoother edge in the output image. When set to `false`, `imwarp` does not pad the image. Choosing `false` (not padding) the input image can result in a sharper edge in the output image. This sharper edge can be useful to minimize seam distortions when registering two images side by side.

Output Arguments

B — Transformed image

nonsparse real-valued array

Transformed image, returned as a nonsparse real-valued array. B is the same class as A.

RB — Spatial referencing information associated with the transformed image

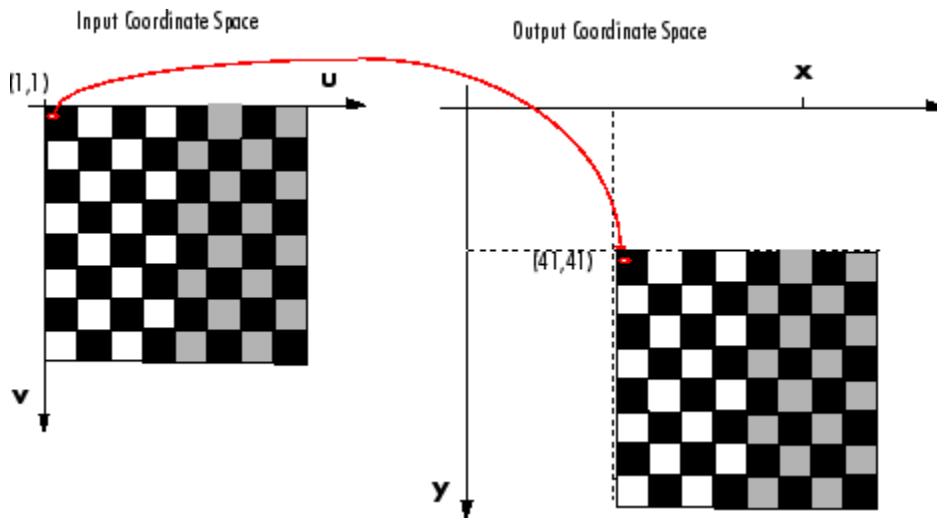
`imref2d` or `imref3d` spatial referencing object

Spatial referencing information associated with the transformed image, returned as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` spatial referencing object.

Algorithms

`imwarp` determines the value of pixels in the output image by mapping locations in the output image to the corresponding locations in the input image (inverse mapping). `imwarp` interpolates within the input image to compute the output pixel value.

The following figure illustrates a translation transformation. By convention, the axes in input space are labeled u and v and the axes in output space are labeled x and y . In the figure, note how `imwarp` modifies the spatial coordinates that define the locations of pixels in the input image. The pixel at $(1,1)$ is now positioned at $(41,41)$. In the checkerboard image, each black, white, and gray square is 10 pixels high and 10 pixels wide. For more information about the distinction between spatial coordinates and pixel coordinates, see “Image Coordinate Systems”.



Input Image Translated

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `imwarp` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `imwarp` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- The geometric transformation object input, `tform`, must be either an `affine2d` or `projective2d` object.
- The interpolation method and optional parameter names must be constants.

See Also

Apps

Registration Estimator

Functions

`imregdemons` | `imregister` | `imregtform` | `imtranslate`

Objects

`affine2d` | `affine3d` | `geometricTransform2d` | `geometricTransform3d` | `projective2d`

Topics

“2-D and 3-D Geometric Transformation Process Overview”

Introduced in R2013a

ind2gray

Convert indexed image to grayscale image

Syntax

```
I = ind2gray(X,cmap)
```

Description

`I = ind2gray(X,cmap)` converts the indexed image `X` with colormap `cmap` to a grayscale image, `I`. The `ind2gray` function removes the hue and saturation information from the input image while retaining the luminance.

Examples

Convert Indexed Image to Grayscale

Load an indexed image into the workspace.

```
[X, map] = imread('trees.tif');
```

Convert the image to grayscale using `ind2gray`.

```
I = ind2gray(X,map);
```

Display the indexed image and the converted grayscale image.

```
imshow(X,map)  
title('Indexed Image')
```


Indexed Image



```
figure
imshow(I)
title('Converted Grayscale Image')
```

Converted Grayscale Image



Input Arguments

X — Indexed image

numeric array

Indexed image, specified as a numeric array of any size and dimensionality.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

cmap — Color map

c-by-3 numeric array

Color map associated with indexed image X, specified as a c-by-3 numeric array, where c is the number of colors.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric array

Grayscale image, specified as a numeric array. **I** has the same size, dimensionality and class as **X**.

Algorithms

`ind2gray` converts the colormap to NTSC coordinates using `rgb2ntsc`, and sets the hue and saturation components (*I* and *Q*) to zero, creating a gray colormap. `ind2gray` then replaces the indices in the image **X** with the corresponding grayscale intensity values in the gray colormap.

See Also

`gray2ind` | `imshow` | `imtool` | `mat2gray` | `rgb2gray` | `rgb2ntsc`

Introduced before R2006a

inpaintCoherent

Restore specific image regions using coherence transport based image inpainting

Syntax

```
J = inpaintCoherent(I,mask)
J = inpaintCoherent( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`J = inpaintCoherent(I,mask)` restores specific regions in the input image using the coherence transport based inpainting method. `mask` is a logical image that denotes the target regions in the image to be filled through inpainting.

`J = inpaintCoherent(____,Name,Value)` specifies options using one or more name-value pair arguments in addition to the input arguments in the previous syntax.

Examples

Remove Overlaid Text From Image Through Inpainting

Read an image to be inpainted into the workspace. This image contains text overlays to be removed.

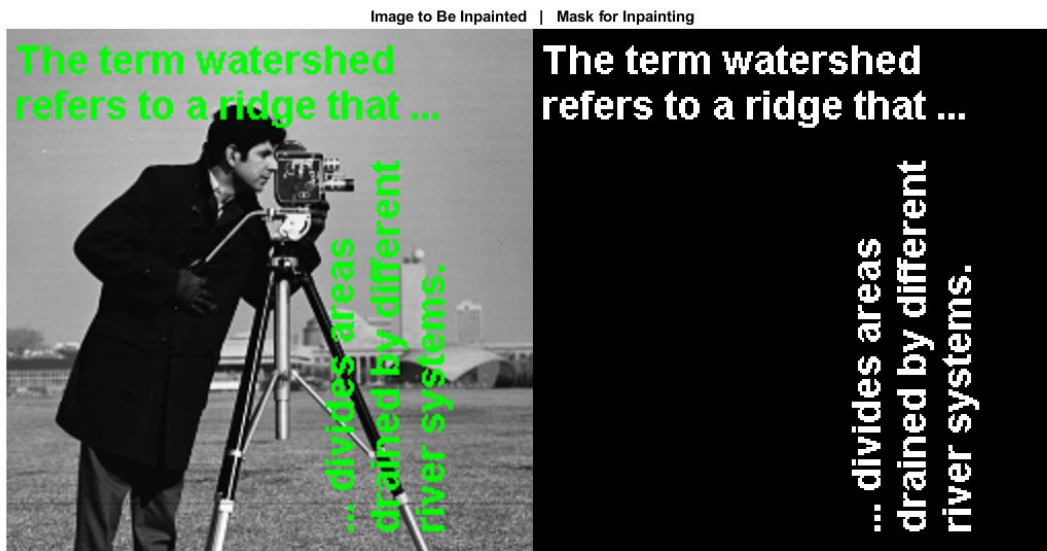
```
I = imread('overlayimage.png');
```

Read the mask image into the workspace. This mask image contains the overlaid text regions present in the image to be inpainted.

```
mask = imread('text.png');
```

Display the image to be inpainted and its corresponding mask image.

```
montage({I,mask});
title(['Image to Be Inpainted', ' | ', 'Mask for Inpainting'])
```



Inpaint the original image by removing the text overlays.

```
J = inpaintCoherent(I,mask);
```

Display the original image and the inpainted image.

```
montage({I,J});
title(['Image to Be Inpainted', ' | ', 'Inpainted Image'])
```



Remove Objects in Image Regions Through Inpainting

Read an image to be inpainted into the workspace.

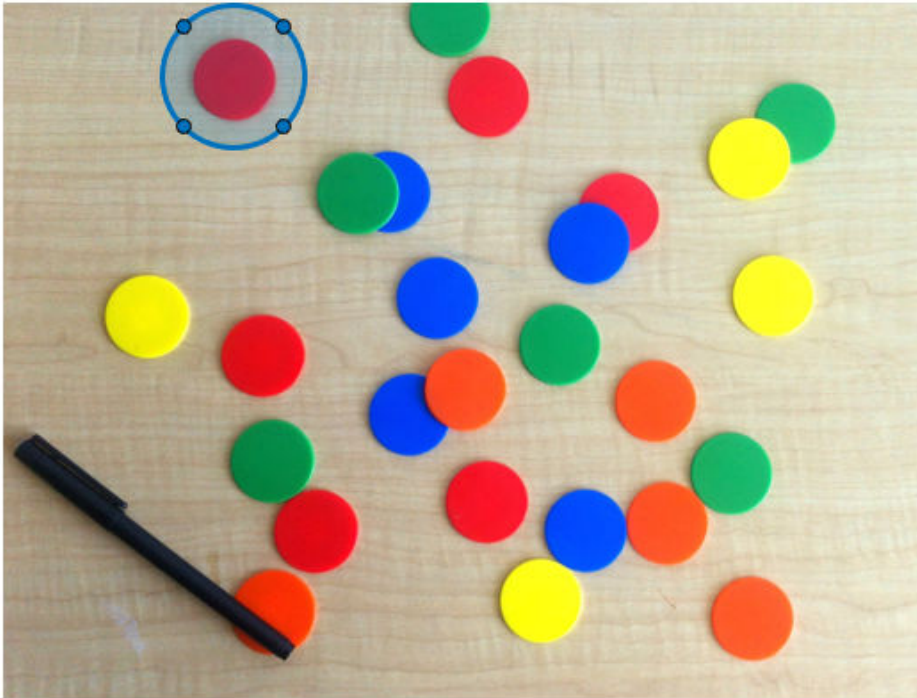
```
I = imread('coloredChips.png');
```

Display the image.

```
figure  
imshow(I,[])
```

Use the `drawcircle` function to select a circular region of interest (ROI) for inpainting. Use the `Center` and `Radius` name-value pairs to specify the location of an ROI.

```
h = drawcircle('Center',[130,42],'Radius',40);
```



Select Multiple ROIs for Inpainting

You can also select multiple ROIs iteratively.

Set the number of regions to be inpainted to 6.

```
numRegion = 6;
```

Specify the center and radii for each region.

```
roiCenter = [130 42;433 78;208 108;334 124;434 167;273 58];  
roiRadius = [40 50 40 40 40 30];
```

Select multiple circular ROIs iteratively by specifying the `drawcircle` Center and Radius name-value pairs.

```
roi = cell([numRegion,1]);  
for i = 1:numRegion  
    c = roiCenter(i,:);  
    r = roiRadius(i);  
    h = drawcircle('Center',c,'Radius',r);  
    roi{i} = h;  
end
```



Use the `createMask` function to generate a mask from the selected ROIs.


```

mask = zeros(size(I,1),size(I,2));
for i = 1:numRegion
    newmask = createMask(roi{i});
    mask = xor(mask,newmask);
end

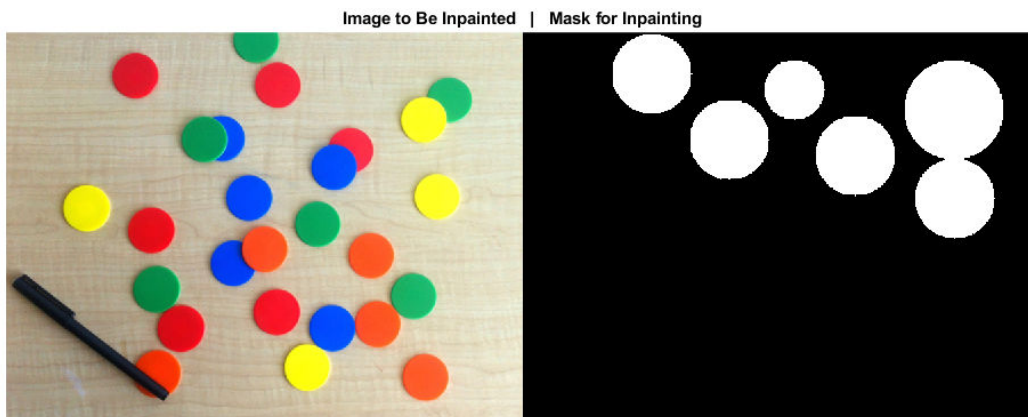
```

Display the image to be inpainted and its corresponding mask image.

```

montage({I,mask});
title(['Image to Be Inpainted' | 'Mask for Inpainting'])

```



Remove objects in the ROIs through inpainting. Specify a standard deviation of 0.5 and an inpainting radius of 1.

```

J = inpaintCoherent(I,mask,'SmoothingFactor',0.5,'Radius',1);

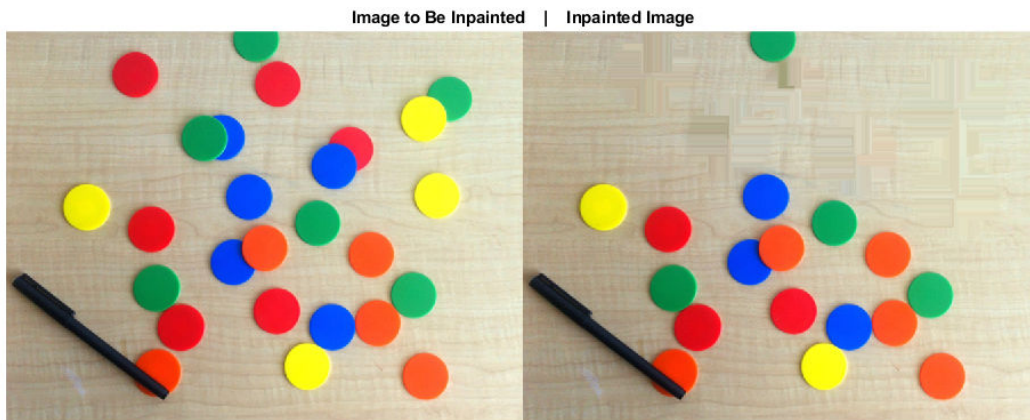
```

Display the original image and the inpainted image.

```

montage({I,J});
title(['Image to Be Inpainted' | 'Inpainted Image']);

```



Input Arguments

I — Image to inpaint

gray scale image | RGB color image

Image to inpaint, specified as a grayscale image of size m -by- n or an RGB color image of size m -by- n -by-3.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

mask — Spatial mask of target regions

2-D binary image

Spatial mask of target regions, specified as a 2-D binary image of size m -by- n , where m and n are the dimensions of input image **I**. The non zero pixels in **mask** constitute the target regions to be filled through inpainting.

Note

- You can generate the mask using any of these functions: `drawcircle`, `drawpolygon`, `drawrectangle`, `drawassisted`, or `drawfreehand`. Alternatively, you can use the segmentation tools in **Image Segmenter** app.
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Data Types: logical

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `J = inpaintCoherent(I,mask,'Radius',7)`

SmoothingFactor — Standard deviation of Gaussian filter

2 (default) | positive scalar

Standard deviation of Gaussian filter, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'SmoothingFactor'` and a positive scalar. This value is used to compute the scales of the Gaussian filters while estimating the coherence direction.

Radius — Inpainting radius

5 (default) | positive integer

Inpainting radius, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'Radius'` and a positive integer value. The inpainting radius denotes the radius of the circular neighborhood region centered on the pixel to be inpainted.

Output Arguments

J — Inpainted image

gray scale image | RGB color image

Inpainted image, returned as a grayscale image or RGB color image of the same size and data type as input image `I`.

Tips

- The inpainting results depend on the name-value pair specification. You can modify the values of `'Radius'` and `'SmoothingFactor'` for varied results.
- Each ROI in the binary mask image must be sufficiently large to enclose the corresponding region in the image to be inpainted.

Algorithms

The coherence transport based inpainting method is a pixel-based approach for removing objects and filling regions in images [1]. Inpainting is performed inwards starting from the boundary pixels of the target region. The inpainting value for a pixel is estimated from its coherent neighboring pixels with known values. The steps involved are summarized as follows:

- 1 Identify target regions from the input image to be filled or inpainted. Generate a binary mask of the size same as the input image. The non zero pixels in the mask image must contain the target regions to be inpainted.

The order in which the pixels in the target region are inpainted is calculated from their Euclidean distance to the boundary of the target region.

- 2 The inpainting value for a pixel in the target region is the weighted average of known pixel values within its inpainting radius. The known pixels along the coherence direction are assigned higher weight value than the incoherent neighboring pixels. The coherence direction is estimated by using a structure tensor.

References

- [1] F. Bornemann and T. März. "Fast Image Inpainting Based on Coherence Transport." *Journal of Mathematical Imaging and Vision*. Vol. 28, 2007, pp.259-278.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

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Usage notes and limitations:

- `inpaintCoherent` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see "Code Generation for Image Processing".

See Also

`imfill` | `regionfill`

Introduced in R2019a

integralBoxFilter

2-D box filtering of integral images

Syntax

```
B = integralBoxFilter(intA)
B = integralBoxFilter(intA,filterSize)
B = integralBoxFilter( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = integralBoxFilter(intA)` filters the integral image `intA` with a 3-by-3 box filter. Returns the filtered image, `B`.

`B = integralBoxFilter(intA,filterSize)` filters the integral image `intA` with a 2-D box filter with size specified by `filterSize`.

`B = integralBoxFilter(____,Name,Value)` filters integral image `intA` with Name-Value pairs to control various aspects of the filtering.

Examples

Filter Integral Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Pad the image by the radius of the filter neighborhood. This example uses an 11-by-11 filter.

```
filterSize = [11 11];
padSize = (filterSize-1)/2;
Apad = padarray(A, padSize, 'replicate','both');
```

Compute the integral image of the padded input image.

```
intA = integralImage(Apad);
```

Filter the integral image.

```
B = integralBoxFilter(intA, filterSize);
```

Display original image and filtered image.

```
figure  
imshow(A)  
title('Original Image')
```



```
figure  
imshow(B, [])  
title('Filtered Image')
```

Filtered Image



Filter Image with Horizontal and Vertical Motion Blur

Read image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Pad the image by radius of the filter neighborhood, calculated $(11-1)/2$.

```
padSize = [5 5];  
Apad = padarray(A, padSize, 'replicate', 'both');
```

Calculate the integral image of the padded input.

```
intA = integralImage(Apad);
```

Filter the integral image with a vertical [11 1] filter.


```
Bvert = integralBoxFilter(intA, [11 1]);
```

Crop the output to retain input image size and display it.

```
Bvert = Bvert(:,6:end-5);
```

Filter the integral image with a horizontal [1 11] filter.

```
Bhorz = integralBoxFilter(intA, [1 11]);
```

Crop the output to retain input image size.

```
Bhorz = Bhorz(6:end-5,:);
```

Display the original image and the filtered images.

```
figure,  
imshow(A)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



```
figure,  
imshow(Bvert,[])  
title('Filtered with Vertical Filter')
```

Filtered with Vertical Filter



```
figure,  
imshow(Bhorz,[])  
title('Filtered with Horizontal Filter')
```

Filtered with Horizontal Filter

Input Arguments

intA — Integral image to be filtered

real, nonsparse double matrix of any dimension

Integral image to be filtered, specified as a real, nonsparse matrix of any dimension. The integral image must be upright—`integralBoxFilter` does not support rotated integral images. The first row and column of the integral image is assumed to be zero-padded, as returned by `integralImage`.

Example: `B = integralBoxFilter(A);`

Data Types: double

filterSize — Size of box filter

3-by-3 box filter (default) | scalar or 2-element vector of positive, odd integers

Size of box filter, specified as a scalar or 2-element vector of positive, odd integers. If `filterSize` is scalar, `integralBoxFilter` uses a square box filter.

Example: `B = integralBoxFilter(A,5);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = integralBoxFilter(A,5,'NormalizationFactor',1);`

NormalizationFactor — Normalization factor applied to box filter

`1/filterSize.^2`, if scalar, and `1/prod(filterSize)`, if vector (default) | numeric scalar

Normalization factor applied to box filter, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

The default `'NormalizationFactor'` has the effect of a mean filter—the pixels in the output image are the local means of the image. To get local area sums, set `'NormalizationFactor'` to 1. To avoid overflow in such circumstances, consider using double precision images by converting the input image to class `double`.

Example: `B = integralBoxFilter(A,5,'NormalizationFactor',1);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

real, nonsparse double matrix

Filtered image, returned as a real, nonsparse matrix of class `double`. `integralBoxFilter` returns only the parts of the filtering that are computed without padding.

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Usage notes and limitations:

- `integralBoxFilter` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- The 'NormalizationFactor' parameter must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`imboxfilt` | `integralImage`

Topics

“Integral Image”

Introduced in R2015b

integralBoxFilter3

3-D box filtering of 3-D integral images

Syntax

```
B = integralBoxFilter3(intA)
B = integralBoxFilter3(intA,filterSize)
B = integralBoxFilter3( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = integralBoxFilter3(intA)` filters integral image `intA` with a 3-by-3-by-3 box filter. `B` is a 3-D image of class `double` containing the filtered output.

`B = integralBoxFilter3(intA,filterSize)` filters integral image `intA` with a 3-D box filter with size specified by `filterSize`.

`B = integralBoxFilter3(____,Name,Value)` filters integral image `intA` with a 3-D box filter with `Name-Value` pairs to control various aspects of the filtering.

Examples

Filter 3-D MRI Volume with Box Filter

Load 3-D MRI data.

```
volData = load('mri');
vol = squeeze(volData.D);
```

Pad the image volume by the radius of the filter neighborhood.

```
filterSize = [5 5 3];
padSize = (filterSize-1)/2;
volPad = padarray(vol, padSize, 'replicate', 'both');
```

Calculate the 3-D integral image of the padded input.

```
intVol = integralImage3(volPad);
```

Filter the 3-D integral image with a [5 5 3] filter.

```
volFilt = integralBoxFilter3(intVol, filterSize);
```

Input Arguments

intA — Integral image to be filtered

real, non-sparse 3-D double array

Integral image to be filtered, specified as a real, non-sparse 3-D array of class `double`.

`integralBoxFilter3` expects the input integral image, `intA`, to be an upright integral image computed using `integralImage3`. `integralBoxFilter3` does not support rotated integral images. The first row, column and page of the integral image is assumed to be padded, as returned by `integralImage3`.

Example: `B = integralBoxFilter3(A);`

Data Types: `double`

filterSize — Size of box filter

3-by-3-by-3 box filter (default) | scalar or 3-element vector of positive, odd integers

Size of box filter, specified as a scalar or 3-element vector of positive, odd integers. If `filterSize` is scalar, `integralBoxFilter3` uses a cube box filter.

Example: `B = integralBoxFilter3(A,5);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

```
Example: B = integralBoxFilter3(A,5,'NormalizationFactor',1);
```

NormalizationFactor — Normalization factor applied to box filter

1/filterSize.^3, if scalar, and 1/prod(filterSize), if vector (default) | numeric scalar

Normalization factor applied to box filter, specified as a numeric scalar.

The default 'NormalizationFactor' has the effect of a mean filter—the pixels in the output image are the local means of the image. To get local area sums, set 'NormalizationFactor' to 1. To avoid overflow in such circumstances, consider using double precision images by converting the input image to class `double`.

```
Example: B = integralBoxFilter3(A,5,'NormalizationFactor',1);
```

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

real, nonsparse 3-D array

Filtered image, returned as a real, nonsparse 3-D array of class `double`. `integralBoxFilter3` returns only the parts of the filtering that are computed without padding.

See Also

`imboxfilt3` | `integralimage3`

Topics

“Integral Image”

Introduced in R2015b

integrallImage

Calculate integral image

Syntax

```
J = integrallImage(I)
J = integrallImage(I,orientation)
```

Description

`J = integrallImage(I)` calculates the “Integral Image” on page 1-2166 , J, from the intensity image, I.

`J = integrallImage(I,orientation)` calculates the integral image with the orientation specified by `orientation`.

Examples

Create Integral Image

Create a simple sample matrix.

```
I = magic(5)
```

```
I = 5×5
```

```
    17    24     1     8    15
    23     5     7    14    16
     4     6    13    20    22
    10    12    19    21     3
    11    18    25     2     9
```

In an integral image, each pixel is the cumulative sum of the pixel directly above it and to its left. For example, in this trivial matrix, the pixel in the original matrix at row 1, column

1 (value 17) would be unchanged in an integral image because you are adding 0s to the value. (The `integralImage` function adds a row of 0s above and to the left of the original matrix.) Calculating the integral image value for pixel (1,2) in the original matrix, you add the pixel above it (0) and the pixel to its left (17): $24 + 17 + 0 = 41$. Calculating the integral image value for Pixel (1,3) in the original matrix, you add the pixel above it (0) and the pixel to its left, which has already been summed, 41. Thus the value at pixel (2,4) in the integral image is $1 + 41 + 0 = 42$. This process continues for each pixel in the original image, as you can see in the integral image of the original matrix calculated by the `integralImage` function.

```
J = integralImage(I)
```

```
J = 6×6
```

```
  0   0   0   0   0   0
  0  17  41  42  50  65
  0  40  69  77  99 130
  0  44  79 100 142 195
  0  54 101 141 204 260
  0  65 130 195 260 325
```

Compute Integral Image with Rotated Orientation

Create sample image.

```
I = magic(5)
```

```
I = 5×5
```

```
 17   24    1    8   15
 23    5    7   14   16
  4    6   13   20   22
 10   12   19   21    3
 11   18   25    2    9
```

```
% Define rotated rectangular region as [x, y, width, height] where x, y
% denote the indices of the top corner of the rectangle. Width and height
% are along 45 degree lines from the top corner.
```

```
[x, y, w, h] = deal(3, 1, 3, 2);
```

Create integral image.

```
J = integrallImage(I, 'rotated');
```

Compute the sum over the region using the integral image.

```
regionSum = J(y+w+h,x+w-h+1) + J(y,x+1) - J(y+h,x-h+1) - J(y+w,x+w+1);
```

Input Arguments

I — Input grayscale image

real, nonsparse 2-D matrix

Input grayscale image, specified as a real, nonsparse 2-D matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

orientation — Image orientation

'upright' (default) | 'rotated'

Image orientation, specified as 'upright' or 'rotated'. If you set the orientation to 'rotated', `integrallImage` returns the integral image for computing sums over rectangles rotated by 45 degrees. To facilitate computation of pixel sums along all image boundaries, the `integrallImage` pads the output integral images as follows:

Integral Image	Description
Upright integral image	Zero-padded on top and left, resulting in <code>size(J) = size(I)+1</code>
Rotated integral image	Zero-padded at the top, left, and right, resulting in <code>size(J) = size(I)+[1 2]</code>

If the input image has more than two dimensions (`ndims(I)>2`), such as for an RGB image, the `integrallImage` function computes the integral image for all 2-D planes along the higher dimensions.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

J — Integral image

real, nonsparse matrix of class `double`

Integral image, returned as a real, nonsparse matrix of class `double`. The function zero-pads the top and left side of the integral image so the size of the output integral image is the size as the input image, plus 1, `size(J) = size(I)+1`. Such sizing facilitates easy computation of pixel sums along all image boundaries. The integral image, `J`, is essentially a padded version of the value `cumsum(cumsum(I,2))`.

Definitions

Integral Image

In an integral image, every pixel is the summation of the pixels above and to the left of it. Using an integral image, you can rapidly calculate summations over image subregions. Use of integral images was popularized by the Viola-Jones algorithm. Integral images facilitate summation of pixels and can be performed in constant time, regardless of the neighborhood size.

References

- [1] Viola, Paul and Michael J. Jones, "Rapid Object Detection using a Boosted Cascade of Simple Features", *Proceedings of the 2001 IEEE Computer Society Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*, 2001. Volume: 1, pp.511-518.

Extended Capabilities

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See Also

`cumsum` | `integralBoxFilter`

Topics

“Integral Image”

Introduced in R2015b

integralImage3

Calculate 3-D integral image

Syntax

```
J = integralImage3(I)
```

Description

`J = integralImage3(I)` calculates the integral image, `J`, from the input intensity image, `I`.

Examples

Compute Integral Image of 3-D Input Image

Create a 3-D input image.

```
I = reshape(1:125,5,5,5);
```

Define a 3-by-3-by-3 sub-volume as [`startRow`, `startCol`, `startPlane`, `endRow`, `endCol`, `endPlane`].

```
[sR, sC, sP, eR, eC, eP] = deal(2, 2, 2, 4, 4, 4);
```

Create an integral image from the input image and compute the sum over a 3-by-3-by-3 sub-volume of `I`.

```
J = integralImage3(I);  
regionSum = J(eR+1,eC+1,eP+1) - J(eR+1,eC+1,sP) - J(eR+1,sC,eP+1) ...  
            - J(sR,eC+1,eP+1) + J(sR,sC,eP+1) + J(sR,eC+1,sP) ...  
            + J(eR+1,sC,sP) - J(sR,sC,sP)
```

```
regionSum = 1701
```

Verify that the sum of pixels is accurate.

```
sum(sum(sum(I(sR:eR, sC:eC, sP:eP))))  
ans = 1701
```

Input Arguments

I – Input intensity image

real, nonsparse 3-D array

Input intensity image, specified as a real, nonsparse 3-D array of any numeric class.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

J – Integral image

real, nonsparse matrix of class `double`

Integral image, returned as a real, nonsparse matrix of class `double`. The function zero-pads the top, left and along the first plane, resulting in `size(J) = size(I) + 1`. side of the integral image. The class of the output is `double`. The resulting size of the output integral image equals: `size(J) = size(I) + 1`. Such sizing facilitates easy computation of pixel sums along all image boundaries. The integral image, `J`, is essentially a padded version of the value `cumsum(cumsum(cumsum(I), 2), 3)`.

Definitions

Integral Image

In an integral image, every pixel is the summation of the pixels above and to the left of it. Using an integral image, you can rapidly calculate summations over image subregions. Use of integral images was popularized by the Viola-Jones algorithm. Integral images facilitate summation of pixels and can be performed in constant time, regardless of the neighborhood size.

See Also

`integralBoxFilter3` | `integralImage`

Topics

“Integral Image”

Introduced in R2015b

interfileinfo

Read metadata from Interfile file

Syntax

```
info = interfileinfo(filename)
```

Description

`info = interfileinfo(filename)` returns a structure whose fields contain information about an image in a Interfile file. `filename` is a string scalar or character vector that specifies the name of the file. The file must be in the current directory or in a directory on the MATLAB path.

The Interfile file format was developed for the exchange of nuclear medicine data. In Interfile 3.3, metadata is stored in a header file, separate from the image data. The two files have the same name with different file extensions. The header file has the file extension `.hdr` and the image file has the file extension `.img`.

Examples

Read metadata from an Interfile file.

```
info = interfileinfo('MyFile.hdr');
```

References

- [1] Todd-Pokropek, A, Craddock, T.D., and Deconinck, F., *A File Format for the Exchange of Nuclear Medicine Image Data: a specification of Interfile Version 3.3*. Nucl Med Commun 13(9): 673-99, 1992.

See Also

interfileread

Introduced before R2006a

interfileread

Read images in Interfile format

Syntax

```
A = interfileread(filename)
A = interfileread(filename, window)
```

Description

`A = interfileread(filename)` reads the images in the first energy window of `filename` into `A`, where `A` is an M-by-N array for a single image and an M-by-N-by-P array for multiple images. The file must be in the current directory or in a directory on the MATLAB path.

`A = interfileread(filename, window)` reads the images in the energy window specified by `window` of `filename` into `A`.

The images in the energy window must be of the same size.

The Interfile file format was developed for the exchange of nuclear medicine data. In Interfile 3.3, metadata is stored in a header file, separate from the image data. The two files have the same name with different file extensions. The header file has the file extension `.hdr` and the image file has the file extension `.img`.

Examples

Read image data from an Interfile file.

```
img = interfileread('MyFile.hdr');
```

References

- [1] Todd-Pokropek, A, Craddock, T.D., and Deconinck, F., *A File Format for the Exchange of Nuclear Medicine Image Data: a specification of Interfile Version 3.3*. Nucl Med Commun 13(9): 673-99, 1992.

See Also

interfileinfo

Introduced before R2006a

intlut

Convert integer values using lookup table

Syntax

```
B = intlut(A,lut)
```

Description

`B = intlut(A,lut)` converts values in array `A` based on lookup table `lut` and returns these new values in array `B`.

Examples

Convert Integer Values using Lookup Table

Create an array of integers.

```
A = uint8([1 2 3 4; 5 6 7 8; 9 10 0 1])
```

A = 3x4 uint8 matrix

```
 1   2   3   4
 5   6   7   8
 9  10   0   1
```

Create a lookup table. In this example, the lookup table is created by following the vector `[2 4 8 16]` with repeated copies of the vector `[0 150 200 250]`.

```
LUT = [2 4 8 16 repmat(uint8([0 150 200 255]),1,63)];
```

Convert the values of `A` by referring to the lookup table. Note that the first index of the lookup table is 0.

```
B = intlut(A, LUT)
```

```
B = 3x4 uint8 matrix
```

```
    4     8    16     0
  150   200   255     0
  150   200     2     4
```

Input Arguments

A — Input matrix

array of integers

Input matrix, specified as an array of integers.

Data Types: `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

lut — Lookup table

vector of integers

Lookup table, specified as a vector of integers.

- If A has data type `uint8`, then `lut` must be a `uint8` vector with 256 elements.
- If A has data type `uint16` or `int16`, then `lut` must be a vector with 65536 elements of the same class as A.

Data Types: `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

B — Converted matrix

array of integers

Converted matrix, returned as an array of integers. B has the same size and data type as A.

Data Types: `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Algorithms

- When A has data type `uint8` or `uint16`, an offset of 1 is applied when indexing into the lookup table. For example, if an element of A has the value *alpha*, then the corresponding element in B has the value `lut(alpha+1)`.
- When A has data type `int16`, an additional offset of 32768 is applied to the lookup table index. For example, if an element of A has the value *alpha*, then the corresponding element in B has the value `lut(alpha+32768+1)`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `intlut` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `intlut` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

See Also

`ind2gray` | `rgb2ind`

Introduced before R2006a

intrinsicToWorld

Convert from intrinsic to world coordinates

Syntax

```
[xWorld, yWorld] = intrinsicToWorld(R,xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic)
[xWorld, yWorld, zWorld] = intrinsicToWorld(R,xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic,
zIntrinsic)
```

Description

`[xWorld, yWorld] = intrinsicToWorld(R,xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic)` maps points from the 2-D intrinsic system (`xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic`) to the 2-D world system (`xWorld,yWorld`) based on the relationship defined by 2-D spatial referencing object `R`.

If the k th input coordinates (`xIntrinsic(k),yIntrinsic(k)`) fall outside the image bounds in the intrinsic coordinate system, `intrinsicToWorld` extrapolates `xWorld(k)` and `yWorld(k)` outside the image bounds in the world coordinate system.

`[xWorld, yWorld, zWorld] = intrinsicToWorld(R,xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic,zIntrinsic)` maps points from the intrinsic coordinate system to the world coordinate system using 3-D spatial referencing object `R`.

Examples

Convert 2-D Intrinsic Coordinates to World Coordinates

Read a 2-D grayscale image into the workspace.

```
m = dicominfo('knee1.dcm');
A = dicomread(m);
```

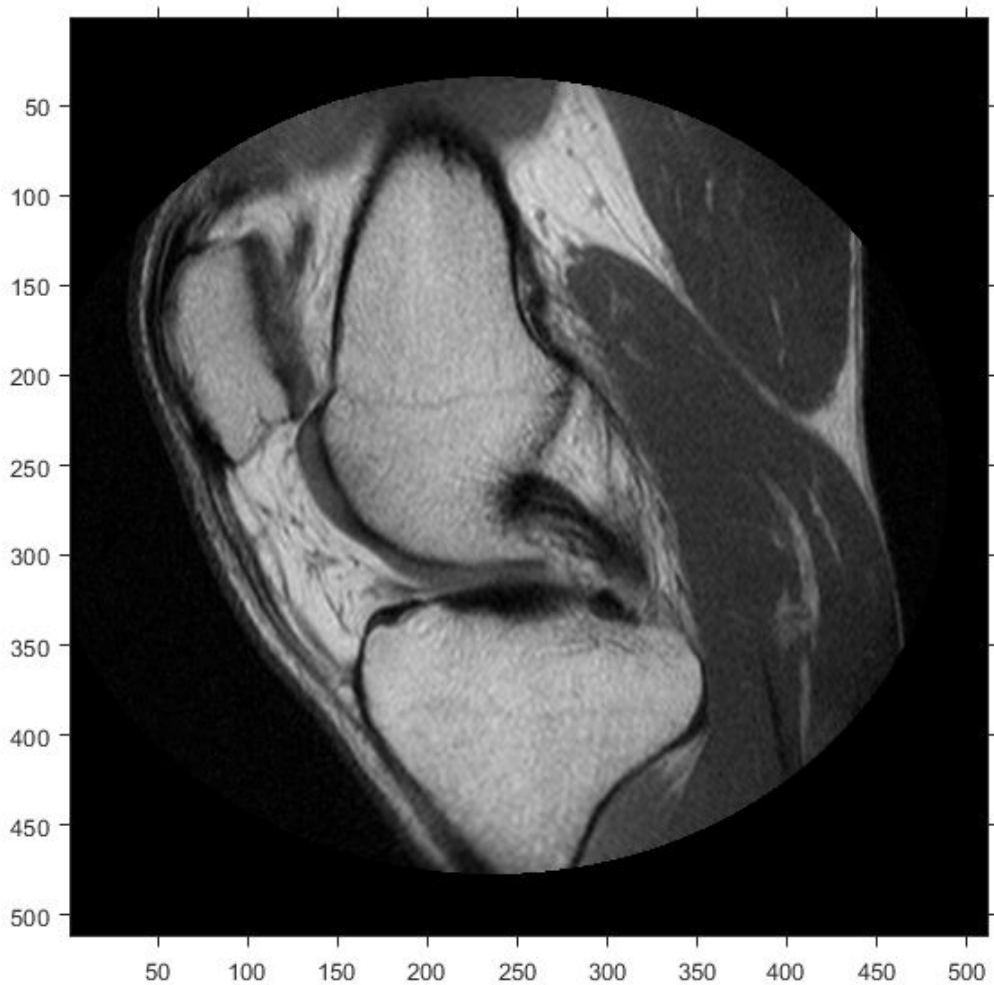

Create an `imref2d` object, specifying the size and the resolution of the pixels. The DICOM file contains a metadata field `PixelSpacing` that specifies the image resolution in each dimension in millimeters per pixel.

```
RA = imref2d(size(A),m.PixelSpacing(2),m.PixelSpacing(1))
```

```
RA =  
  imref2d with properties:  
  
      XWorldLimits: [0.1563 160.1563]  
      YWorldLimits: [0.1563 160.1563]  
      ImageSize: [512 512]  
PixelExtentInWorldX: 0.3125  
PixelExtentInWorldY: 0.3125  
ImageExtentInWorldX: 160  
ImageExtentInWorldY: 160  
  XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]  
  YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]
```

Display the image, omitting the spatial referencing object. The axes coordinates reflect the intrinsic coordinates. Notice that the coordinate (0,0) is in the upper left corner.

```
figure  
imshow(A, 'DisplayRange', [0 512])  
axis on
```



Suppose you want to calculate the approximate position and width of the knee in millimeters. Select the endpoints of a line segment that runs horizontally across the knee at the level of the kneecap. For example, use the (x,y) points $(34,172)$ and $(442,172)$.

```
xIntrinsic = [34 442];
yIntrinsic = [172 172];
```

Convert these points from intrinsic coordinates to world coordinates.

```
[xWorld,yWorld] = intrinsicToWorld(RA,xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic)
```

```
xWorld = 1x2
```

```
    10.6250    138.1250
```

```
yWorld = 1x2
```

```
    53.7500    53.7500
```

The world coordinates of the two points are (10.625,53.75) and (138.125,53.75), in units of millimeters. The approximate width of the knee in millimeters is:

```
width = xWorld(2) - xWorld(1)
```

```
width = 127.5000
```

Convert 3-D Intrinsic Coordinates to World Coordinates

Read a 3-D volume into the workspace. This image consists of 27 frames of 128-by-128 pixel images.

```
load mri;
D = squeeze(D);
D = ind2gray(D,map);
```

Create an `imref3d` spatial referencing object associated with the volume. For illustrative purposes, provide a pixel resolution in each dimension. The resolution is in millimeters per pixel.

```
R = imref3d(size(D),2,2,4)
```

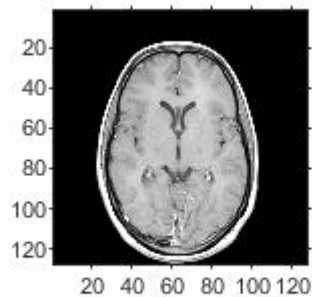
```
R =
    imref3d with properties:
```

```
    XWorldLimits: [1 257]
```

```
YWorldLimits: [1 257]
ZWorldLimits: [2 110]
ImageSize: [128 128 27]
PixelExtentInWorldX: 2
PixelExtentInWorldY: 2
PixelExtentInWorldZ: 4
ImageExtentInWorldX: 256
ImageExtentInWorldY: 256
ImageExtentInWorldZ: 108
XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
ZIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]
```

Display the middle slice of the volume, omitting the spatial referencing object. The axes coordinates reflect the intrinsic coordinates. Notice that the coordinate (0,0) is in the upper left corner of this plane. $z=0$ is right below the first slice, and the z -axis is positive in the upward direction, towards the crown of the head.

```
figure
imshow(D(:,:,13))
axis on
```



Suppose you want to determine the position, in millimeters, of features within this slice. Select four sample points, and store their intrinsic coordinates in vectors. For example, the first point has intrinsic coordinates (54,46,13). The intrinsic z -coordinate is the same for all points within this slice.

```
xI = [54 71 57 70];
yI = [46 48 79 80];
zI = [13 13 13 13];
```

Convert the intrinsic coordinates to world coordinates using `intrinsicToWorld`.

```
[xW,yW,zW] = intrinsicToWorld(R,xI,yI,zI)
```

```
xW = 1×4
```

```
    108    142    114    140
```

```
yW = 1×4
```

```
     92     96    158    160
```

```
zW = 1×4
```

```
     52     52     52     52
```

The resulting vectors are the world *x*-, *y*-, and *z*-coordinates, in millimeters, of the selected points. The first point, for example, is offset from the origin by 108mm in the *x*-direction, 92 mm in the *y*-direction, and 52 mm in the *z*-direction.

Input Arguments

R — Spatial referencing object

`imref2d` or `imref3d` object

Spatial referencing object, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` object.

xIntrinsic — Coordinates along the *x*-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the *x*-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

yIntrinsic — Coordinates along the y-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the y-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `yIntrinsic` is the same length as `xIntrinsic`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

zIntrinsic — Coordinates along the z-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the z-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `zIntrinsic` is the same length as `xIntrinsic`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

xWorld — Coordinates along the x-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the x-dimension in the world coordinate system, returned as a numeric scalar or vector. `xWorld` is the same length as `xIntrinsic`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

yWorld — Coordinates along the y-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the y-dimension in the world coordinate system, returned as a numeric scalar or vector. `yWorld` is the same length as `xIntrinsic`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

zWorld — Coordinates along the z-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the z-dimension in the world coordinate system, returned as a numeric scalar or vector. `zWorld` is the same length as `xIntrinsic`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

See Also

`imref2d` | `imref3d` | `worldToIntrinsic`

Introduced in R2013a

invert

Invert geometric transformation

Syntax

```
invtform = invert(tform)
```

Description

`invtform = invert(tform)` returns the inverse of the geometric transformation `tform`.

Examples

Invert a 2-D Rotation

Create an `affine2d` object that defines a 30 degree rotation in the counterclockwise direction around the origin. View the transformation matrix stored in the `T` property.

```
theta = 30;  
tform = affine2d([cosd(theta) sind(theta) 0; -sind(theta) cosd(theta) 0; 0 0 1]);  
tform.T
```

```
ans = 3×3
```

```
    0.8660    0.5000         0  
   -0.5000    0.8660         0  
         0         0    1.0000
```

Invert the geometric transformation. The result is a new `affine2d` object.

```
invtform = invert(tform);  
invtform.T
```



```
ans = 3x3  
    0.8660   -0.5000         0  
    0.5000    0.8660         0  
         0         0    1.0000
```

This matrix represents a 30 degree rotation in the clockwise direction.

Test the Inverse Geometric Transformation

Read an image, and display it.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
figure;  
imshow(I)
```



Apply the forward geometric transformation, `tform`, to the image. Display the rotated image.

```
J = imwarp(I,tform);  
figure;  
imshow(J)
```



Apply the inverse geometric transformation, `invtfom`, to the rotated image `J`.

```
K = imwarp(J,invtfom);  
imshow(K)
```



The final image, *K*, has the correct orientation. The two transformations introduced padding that surrounds the image, but the size, shape, and orientation of the image data have not changed.

Input Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

`affine2d`, `affine3d`, or `projective2d` geometric transformation object

Geometric transformation, specified as an `affine2d`, `affine3d`, or `projective2d` geometric transformation object.

Output Arguments

invtfom — Inverse geometric transformation

geometric transformation object

Inverse geometric transformation, returned as a geometric transformation object. `invtfom` is the same type of object as `tform`.

See Also

`transformPointsForward` | `transformPointsInverse`

Introduced in R2013a

iptaddcallback

Add function handle to callback list

Syntax

```
ID = iptaddcallback(obj,callback,func_handle)
```

Description

`ID = iptaddcallback(obj,callback,func_handle)` adds the function handle `func_handle` to the list of functions to be called when the callback specified by `callback` executes. `callback` specifies the name of a callback property of the graphics object specified.

`iptaddcallback` returns a unique callback identifier, `ID`, that can be used with `iptremovecallback` to remove the function from the callback list.

`iptaddcallback` can be useful when you need to notify more than one tool about the same callback event for a single object.

Note

Callback functions that have already been added to an object using the `set` command continue to work after you call `iptaddcallback`. The first time you call `iptaddcallback` for a given object and `callback`, the function checks to see if a different callback function is already installed. If a callback is already installed, `iptaddcallback` replaces that callback function with the `iptaddcallback` callback processor, and then adds the preexisting callback function to the `iptaddcallback` list.

Examples

Create a figure and register two callback functions. Whenever MATLAB detects mouse motion over the figure, function handles `f1` and `f2` are called in the order in which they were added to the list.

```
figobj = figure;  
f1 = @(varargin) disp('Callback 1');  
f2 = @(varargin) disp('Callback 2');  
iptaddcallback(figobj, 'WindowButtonMotionFcn', f1);  
iptaddcallback(figobj, 'WindowButtonMotionFcn', f2);
```

See Also

`iptremovecallback`

Introduced before R2006a

iptcheckconn

Check validity of connectivity argument

Syntax

```
iptcheckconn(conn, func_name, var_name, arg_pos)
```

Description

`iptcheckconn(conn, func_name, var_name, arg_pos)` checks if `conn` is a valid pixel connectivity and issues a formatted error message if the connectivity is invalid.

- If the connectivity is valid, then `iptcheckconn` returns nothing. Valid connectivities are one of these scalar values: 1, 4, 6, 8, 18, or 26. A connectivity can also be a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 array of 0s and 1s. The central element of a connectivity array must be nonzero and the array must be symmetric about its center.
- If the connectivity is invalid, then `iptcheckconn` issues a formatted error message that includes information about the function name (`func_name`), the variable name (`var_name`), and the argument position (`arg_pos`). These values are used only to create the error message, not to check whether the pixel connectivity is valid.

Examples

Check Validity of 4-by-4 Matrix

Create a 4-by-4 array and pass it as the connectivity argument.

```
iptcheckconn(eye(4), 'myfun', 'myvar', 2)
```

`eye(4)` is not a valid pixel connectivity so `iptcheckconn` returns an error message:

```
Function MYFUN expected input number 2, myvar, to be a valid connectivity specifier. A connectivity specifier must be 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3.
```

Input Arguments

conn — Pixel connectivity

numeric scalar | numeric array

Pixel connectivity to check, specified as a numeric scalar or array.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

func_name — Function name

character vector | string scalar

Function name to include in an error message when `conn` is an invalid pixel connectivity, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

var_name — Variable name

character vector | string scalar

Variable name to include in an error message when `conn` is an invalid pixel connectivity, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

arg_pos — Argument position

positive integer

Argument position to include in an error message when `conn` is an invalid pixel connectivity, specified as a numeric scalar.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `iptcheckconn` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

- When generating code, all input arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

conndef

Topics

“Pixel Connectivity”

Introduced before R2006a

iptcheckhandle

Check validity of handle

Syntax

```
iptcheckhandle(obj,valid_types,func_name,var_name,arg_pos)
```

Description

`iptcheckhandle(obj,valid_types,func_name,var_name,arg_pos)` checks if object `obj` is a valid graphics object and issues a formatted error message if the handle is invalid.

- If the object is a valid graphics object as specified by `valid_types`, then `iptcheckhandle` returns nothing.
- If the connectivity argument is invalid, then `iptcheckhandle` issues a formatted error message that includes information about the function name (`func_name`), the variable name (`var_name`), and the argument position (`arg_pos`). These values are used only to create the error message, not to check whether the graphics object handle is valid.

The figure shows the format of the error message and indicates which parts you can customize using `iptcheckhandle` arguments.

```
func_name      arg_pos      var_name
  |             |             |
  v             v             v
Function MY_FUNCTION expected its second input argument, my_variable,
to be a handle of one of these types:
axes          ←————— valid_types

Instead, its type was: figure.
```

Examples

Trigger Error When Graphics Object Is Not Axes

To trigger the error message, create a figure that does not contain an axes object and then check for a valid axes handle.

```
fig = figure; % create figure without an axes
iptcheckhandle(fig,{'axes'},'my_function','my_variable',2)
```

fig is not an axes handle so iptcheckhandle returns an error message:

```
Function MY_FUNCTION expected its second input argument, my_variable,
to be one of these types:
```

```
axes
```

Instead, its type was: figure.

Input Arguments

obj — Object handle

Object, specified as a handle.

valid_types — Valid types of graphics objects
cell array of character vectors

Valid types of graphics objects, specified as a cell array containing one or more of these character vectors.

- 'axes'
- 'figure'
- 'hgroup'
- 'image'
- 'uipanel'

Example: {'uipanel','figure'} specifies that a valid graphics object must be either a panel container or a figure.

func_name — Function name

character vector | string scalar

Function name to include in an error message when `obj` is an invalid graphics object, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

var_name — Variable name

character vector | string scalar

Variable name to include in an error message when `obj` is an invalid graphics object, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

arg_pos — Argument position

positive integer

Argument position to include in an error message when `obj` is an invalid graphics object, specified as a positive integer.

See Also

`iptcheckmap` | `iptnum2ordinal` | `narginchk` | `validateattributes` | `validatestring`

Introduced before R2006a

iptcheckinput

Check validity of array

Note `iptcheckinput` will be removed in a future release. Use `validateattributes` instead.

Syntax

```
iptcheckinput(A,valid_classes,valid_attributes, func_name,var_name,
arg_pos)
```

Description

`iptcheckinput(A,valid_classes,valid_attributes, func_name,var_name, arg_pos)` checks the validity of the input array `A` and issues a formatted error message if the array is invalid.

- If the array has valid class and attributes as specified by `valid_classes` and `valid_attributes`, then `iptcheckinput` returns nothing.
- If the class or attributes are invalid, then `iptcheckinput` issues a formatted error message that includes information about the function name (`func_name`), the variable name (`var_name`), and the argument position (`arg_pos`). These values are used only to create the error message, not to check whether the array is valid.

The figure shows the format of the error message and indicates which parts you can customize using `iptcheckinput` arguments.

```

      func_name          arg_pos          var_name
      ↓                ↓                ↓
Function FUNC_NAME expected its second input, var_name, to be
two-dimensional.
      ↑
attributes
```

Examples

Trigger Error When Array Is Not 2-D

To trigger this error message, create a 3-D array and then check for the attribute '2d'.

```
A = [ 1 2 3; 4 5 6 ];  
B = [ 7 8 9; 10 11 12];  
C = cat(3,A,B);  
iptcheckinput(C,{'numeric'},{'2d'}, 'func_name', 'var_name', 2)
```

C is not 2-D so `iptcheckinput` returns an error message:

```
Function FUNC_NAME expected its second input, var_name, to be two-dimensional.
```

Input Arguments

A — Input array

array | ...

Input array, specified as an array.

valid_classes — Valid classes

cell array of character vectors

Valid classes of array A, specified as a cell array of character vectors. The tables list common classes for image processing applications.

Numeric Classes

int8	uint8	single
int16	uint16	double
int32	uint32	
int64	uint64	

Other Common Classes

categorical	char	cell
function_handle	logical	string
struct	table	

You can use 'numeric' as an abbreviation for the set of classes uint8, uint16, uint32, int8, int16, int32, single, and double.

Example: {'logical' 'cell'} specifies that a valid array must be a logical array or a cell array.

valid_attributes – Valid attributes

{ } | cell array of character vectors

Valid attributes of array A, specified as a cell array of character vectors. The table lists the supported attributes in alphabetical order.

2d	column	even	finite
integer	nonempty	nonnan	nonnegative
nonsparse	nonzero	odd	positive
real	row	scalar	twod
vector			

If you specify `valid_attributes` as the empty cell array {}, then `iptcheckinput` does not check the attributes of A.

Example: {'real' 'nonempty' 'finite'} specifies that a valid array must be real and nonempty and contain only finite values.

func_name – Function name

character vector | string scalar

Function name to include in an error message when A is an invalid array, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: char | string

var_name – Variable name

character vector | string scalar

Variable name to include in an error message when A is an invalid array, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

arg_pos — Argument position

positive integer

Argument position to include in an error message when A is an invalid array, specified as a positive integer.

See Also

`iptcheckhandle` | `iptcheckmap` | `iptnum2ordinal` | `narginchk` | `validateattributes` | `validatestring`

Introduced before R2006a

iptcheckmap

Check validity of colormap

Syntax

```
iptcheckmap(map, func_name, var_name, arg_pos)
```

Description

`iptcheckmap(map, func_name, var_name, arg_pos)` checks the validity of the MATLAB colormap `map` and issues a formatted error message if the colormap is invalid.

- If the colormap is valid, then `iptcheckmap` returns nothing.
- If the colormap is invalid, then `iptcheckmap` issues a formatted error message that includes information about the function name (`func_name`), the variable name (`var_name`), and the argument position (`arg_pos`). These values are used only to create the error message, not to check whether the array is valid.

The figure shows the format of the error message and indicates which parts you can customize using `iptcheckmap` arguments.

func_name arg_pos var_name

↓ ↓ ↓

```
Function FUNC_NAME expected input number 2, var_name, to be a valid colormap.  
Valid colormaps must be nonempty, double, 2-D matrices with 3 columns.
```

Examples

Trigger Error For Invalid Colormap

```
bad_map = ones(10);  
iptcheckmap(bad_map, 'func_name', 'var_name', 2)
```

Function FUNC_NAME expected input number 2, var_name, to be a valid colormap. Valid colormaps must be nonempty, double, 2-D matrices with 3 columns.

Input Arguments

map — Colormap

numeric array

Colormap, specified as a numeric array.

func_name — Function name

character vector | string scalar

Function name to include in an error message when map is an invalid colormap, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: char | string

var_name — Variable name

character vector | string scalar

Variable name to include in an error message when map is an invalid colormap, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: char | string

arg_pos — Argument position

positive integer

Argument position to include in an error message when map is an invalid colormap, specified as a positive integer.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `iptcheckmap` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

See Also

`iptcheckhandle` | `iptnum2ordinal` | `narginchk` | `validateattributes` | `validatestring`

Introduced before R2006a

iptchecknargin

Check number of input arguments

Note `iptchecknargin` will be removed in a future release. Use `narginchk` instead.

Syntax

```
iptchecknargin(low,high,num_inputs,func_name)
```

Description

`iptchecknargin(low,high,num_inputs,func_name)` checks whether `num_inputs` is a valid number of input arguments and issues a formatted error message if the number of input arguments is invalid.

- If the number of input arguments is in the range `[low high]`, then `iptchecknargin` returns nothing.
- If the number of input argument is less than `low` or greater than `high`, then `iptchecknargin` issues a formatted error message that includes information about the function name (`func_name`). This value is used only to create the error message, not to check whether the number of input arguments is valid.

Examples

Trigger Error For Invalid Number of Input Arguments

Create a function called `test_function` that accepts any number of input arguments. Within the function, call `iptchecknargin` to check that the number of arguments passed to the function is within the range `[1, 3]`. Save the function with the filename `test_function.m`.

```
function test_function(varargin)
    iptchecknargin(1,3,nargin,mfilename);
end
```

Trigger the error message by executing the function at the MATLAB command line, specifying more than the expected number of arguments.

```
test_function(eye(3),5,pi,7)
```

Input Arguments

low — Smallest valid number of input arguments

nonnegative integer

Smallest valid number of input arguments, specified as a nonnegative integer.

high — Largest valid number of input arguments

nonnegative integer | Inf

Largest valid number of input arguments, specified as a nonnegative integer or Inf.

num_inputs — Number of actual input arguments

nonnegative integer | nargin

Number of actual input arguments, specified as a nonnegative integer. You can also specify `nargin` to use the number of function input arguments to the currently executing function.

func_name — Function name

character vector | string scalar | mfilename

Function name to include in an error message when `num_inputs` is an invalid number of input arguments, specified as a character vector or string scalar. You can also specify `mfilename` to use the name of the currently executing function.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

See Also

`iptcheckhandle` | `iptcheckmap` | `iptnum2ordinal` | `narginchk` | `validateattributes` | `validatestring`

Introduced before R2006a

iptcheckstrs

Check validity of option

Note `iptcheckstrs` will be removed in a future release. Use `validatestring` instead.

Syntax

```
param = iptcheckstrs(str, valid_strs, func_name, var_name, arg_pos)
```

Description

`param = iptcheckstrs(str, valid_strs, func_name, var_name, arg_pos)` checks whether `str` is a valid parameter name and issues a formatted error message if the parameter name is invalid.

- If there is a case-insensitive, nonambiguous match between `str` and a valid parameter name in `valid_strs`, then `iptcheckstrs` returns the valid parameter name in `param`.
- If there is no match or the match is ambiguous, then `iptcheckstrs` issues a formatted error message that includes information about the function name (`func_name`), the variable name (`var_name`), and the argument position (`arg_pos`). These values are used only to create the error message, not to check whether the parameter is valid.

The figure shows the format of the error message and indicates which parts you can customize using `iptcheckstrs` arguments.

func_name arg_pos var_name
↓ ↓ ↓
Function FUNC_NAME expected its second input argument, var_name,
to match one of these strings:

option1, option2 ← valid_strs

The input, 'option3', did not match any of the valid strings.

Examples

Trigger Error For Invalid Parameter Name

Define a cell array of character vectors that contains valid parameter names. To trigger an error message, pass in a character vector that is not in the cell array.

```
valid_params = {'option1','option2'};  
iptcheckstrs('option3',valid_params,'func_name','var_name',2)
```

Function FUNC_NAME expected its second input argument, var_name,
to match one of these: option1, option2

The input, 'option3', did not match any of the valid strings.

Return Valid Parameter Name

Define a cell array of character vectors that contains valid parameter names. Check the validity of a parameter name that differs only by case from a character vector in the cell array.

```
valid_params = {'option1','option2'};  
iptcheckstrs('OPTION2',valid_params,'func_name','var_name',2)
```

```
param =  
    'option2'
```


Input Arguments

str — Parameter name

character vector

Parameter name to check, specified as a character vector.

valid_strs — Valid parameter names

cell array of character vectors

Valid parameter names, specified as a cell array of character vectors.

func_name — Function name

character vector | string scalar

Function name to include in an error message when `h` is an invalid graphics object handle, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

var_name — Variable name

character vector | string scalar

Variable name to include in an error message when `h` is an invalid graphics object handle, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

arg_pos — Argument position

positive integer

Argument position to include in an error message when `h` is an invalid graphics object handle, specified as a positive integer.

Output Arguments

param — Validated parameter name

character vector

Validated parameter name, returned as a character vector.

See Also

`iptcheckhandle` | `iptcheckmap` | `iptnum2ordinal` | `narginchk` |
`validateattributes` | `validatestring`

Introduced before R2006a

iptdemos

Index of Image Processing Toolbox examples

Syntax

iptdemos

Description

iptdemos displays the HTML page that lists all the Image Processing Toolbox examples. iptdemos displays the page in the MATLAB Help browser.

See Also

ipticondir

Introduced before R2006a

iptgetapi

Get Application Programmer Interface (API) for handle

Syntax

```
API = iptgetapi(h)
```

Description

API = iptgetapi(h) returns the API structure of an interactive modular tool with handle h.

Examples

Use `imscrollpanel` API to Adjust Image Magnification

Display an image in a figure window.

```
hFig = figure('ToolBar','none','MenuBar','none');  
hIm = imshow('tape.png');
```

Add a Scroll Panel tool to the figure.

```
hSP = imscrollpanel(hFig,hIm);
```



Get the API associated with the Scroll Panel tool.

```
api = iptgetapi(hSP);
```

Use the API to magnify the image by 200%.

```
api.setMagnification(2)
```



Input Arguments

h — Handle to interactive modular tool

handle

Handle to an interactive modular tool such as an `imdistline`, `imline`, `immagbox`, or `imscrollpanel`.

Output Arguments

API — Handle API

struct | []

Handle API, returned as a struct whose fields are the function handles that belong to the interactive modular tool `h`. If `h` is not a handle to an interactive modular tool, then `API` is returned as an empty array, `[]`.

See Also

`imdistline` | `imline` | `immagbox` | `imscrollpanel`

Introduced before R2006a

iptGetPointerBehavior

Retrieve pointer behavior from graphics object

Syntax

```
pointerBehavior = iptGetPointerBehavior(obj)
```

Description

`pointerBehavior = iptGetPointerBehavior(obj)` returns the pointer behavior structure associated with the graphics object `obj`. A pointer behavior structure contains function handles that interact with a figure's pointer manager (see `iptPointerManager`) to control what happens when the figure's mouse pointer moves over and then exits the object. See `iptSetPointerBehavior` for details.

If `obj` does not contain a pointer behavior structure, `iptGetPointerBehavior` returns `[]`.

See Also

`iptPointerManager` | `iptSetPointerBehavior`

Introduced in R2006a

iptgetpref

Get values of Image Processing Toolbox preferences

Syntax

```
prefs = iptgetpref  
value = iptgetpref(prefname)
```

Description

`prefs = iptgetpref` returns a structure containing all of the Image Processing Toolbox preferences with their current values.

You can also use the Image Processing Toolbox Preferences dialog box to get the preferences. To access the dialog box, click **Preferences** on the **Home** tab in the MATLAB desktop, or call the `iptprefs` function.

`value = iptgetpref(prefname)` returns the value of the Image Processing Toolbox preference specified by `prefname`.

Examples

Get Value of Single Image Processing Toolbox Preference

Get the value of the 'ImshowAxesVisible' preference.

```
value = iptgetpref('ImshowAxesVisible')
```

```
value =
```

```
off
```

Input Arguments

prefname — Name of an Image Processing Toolbox preference

character vector | string scalar

Name of an Image Processing Toolbox preference, specified as one of the following.

- 'ImshowBorder'
- 'ImshowAxesVisible'
- 'ImshowInitialMagnification'
- 'ImtoolStartWithOverview'
- 'ImtoolInitialMagnification'
- 'UseIPPL'
- 'VolumeViewerUseHardware'

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

prefs — Value of all Image Processing Toolbox preferences

structure

Value of all Image Processing Toolbox preferences, returned as a structure. Each field in the structure has the name of an Image Processing Toolbox preference.

Data Types: struct

value — Value of single Image Processing Toolbox preference

character vector | numeric scalar | logical scalar

Value of the Image Processing Toolbox preference `prefname`, returned as a character vector, numeric scalar, or logical scalar.

Data Types: char | double | logical

Tips

- You can also use the Image Processing Toolbox Preferences dialog box to get the preferences. To access the dialog box, click **Preferences** on the **Home** tab in the MATLAB desktop, or call the `iptprefs` function.

See Also

`imshow` | `iptprefs` | `iptsetpref`

Introduced before R2006a

ipticondir

Directories containing Image Processing Toolbox and MATLAB icons

Syntax

```
[DirI,DirM] = ipticondir
```

Description

[DirI,DirM] = ipticondir returns the names of the directories containing Image Processing Toolbox icons and MATLAB icons.

Examples

List Icons in Image Processing Toolbox

Get the directories containing the Image Processing Toolbox and MATLAB icons.

```
[iptdir, MATLABdir] = ipticondir
```

List the contents of the directory containing Image Processing Toolbox icons.

```
dir(iptdir)
```

Output Arguments

DirI — Directory containing Image Processing Toolbox icons

character vector

Directory containing Image Processing Toolbox icons, returned as a character vector.

Data Types: char

DirM — Directory containing MATLAB icons

character vector

Directory containing MATLAB icons, returned as a character vector.

Data Types: char

See Also

imtool

Introduced before R2006a

iptnum2ordinal

Convert positive integer to ordinal character vector

Syntax

```
ordstr = iptnum2ordinal(number)
```

Description

`ordstr = iptnum2ordinal(number)` converts the positive integer `number` to the ordinal character vector `ordstr`.

Examples

Convert Integers to Ordinal Numbers

Convert the number 4 to an ordinal number. The ordinal number is spelled out in entirety.

```
str = iptnum2ordinal(4)
```

```
str =  
    'fourth'
```

Convert the number 23 to an ordinal number. The ordinal number consists of a numeral and the ordinal suffix 'rd'.

```
str = iptnum2ordinal(23)
```

```
str =  
    '23rd'
```

Input Arguments

number — Positive integer

numeric scalar

Positive integer, specified as a numeric scalar.

Output Arguments

number — Ordinal number

character vector

Ordinal number, returned as a character vector.

- Numbers less than or equal to twenty are spelled out.
- Numbers greater than twenty consist of a numeral and an ordinal suffix: 'st' (for "first"), 'nd' (for "second"), 'rd' (for "third"), or 'th'.

Data Types: char

Introduced before R2006a

iptPointerManager

Create pointer manager in figure

Syntax

```
iptPointerManager(hFigure)
iptPointerManager(hFigure, 'disable')
iptPointerManager(hFigure, 'enable')
```

Description

`iptPointerManager(hFigure)` creates a pointer manager in the specified figure. If the figure contains a pointer behavior structure on page 1-2233, then the pointer manager controls the pointer behavior for graphics objects in the figure. Use `iptSetPointerBehavior` to associate a pointer behavior structure with a particular object to define specific actions that occur when the mouse pointer moves over and then leaves the object.

Note If the figure already contains a pointer manager, then `iptPointerManager(hFigure)` does not create a new pointer manager. The syntax has the same behavior as `iptPointerManager(hFigure, 'enable')`.

`iptPointerManager(hFigure, 'disable')` disables the figure's pointer manager.

`iptPointerManager(hFigure, 'enable')` enables and updates the figure's pointer manager.

Examples

Create Pointer Manager in Figure with Line Object

Plot a line. Create a pointer manager in the figure. Then, associate a pointer behavior structure with the line object in the figure that changes the mouse pointer into a fleur whenever the pointer is over it.

```
h = plot(1:10);
iptPointerManager(gcf);
enterFcn = @(hFigure, currentPoint)...
    set(hFigure, 'Pointer', 'fleur');
iptSetPointerBehavior(h, enterFcn);
```

Input Arguments

hFigure — Figure

Figure object

Figure, specified as a Figure object. For more information, see [figure](#).

Tips

- `iptPointerManager` considers not just the object the pointer is over, but all objects in the figure. `iptPointerManager` searches the graphics objects hierarchy to find the first object that contains a pointer behavior structure. The `iptPointerManager` then executes that object's pointer behavior function. For more information, see “Graphics Object Hierarchy” (MATLAB).

For example, you could set the pointer to be a fleur and associate that pointer with the axes. Then, when you slide the pointer into the figure window, it will initially be the default pointer, then change to a fleur when you cross into the axes, and remain a fleur when you slide over the objects parented to the axes.

See Also

`iptGetPointerBehavior` | `iptSetPointerBehavior`

Topics

“Graphics Object Hierarchy” (MATLAB)

Introduced in R2006a

iptprefs

Display Image Processing Toolbox Preferences dialog box

Syntax

`iptprefs`

Description

`iptprefs` opens the Image Processing Toolbox Preferences dialog box, part of the MATLAB Preferences dialog box. You can also open this dialog box by clicking **Preferences** on the Home tab, in the Environment section.

The Image Processing Toolbox Preferences dialog box contains display preferences for `imshow`, `imshowinfo`, and provides an option for enabling hardware optimizations. For a list of all supported preferences with information about how to set them at the command line, see `iptsetpref`. The figure shows how the preferences relate to options in the Preferences dialog box.

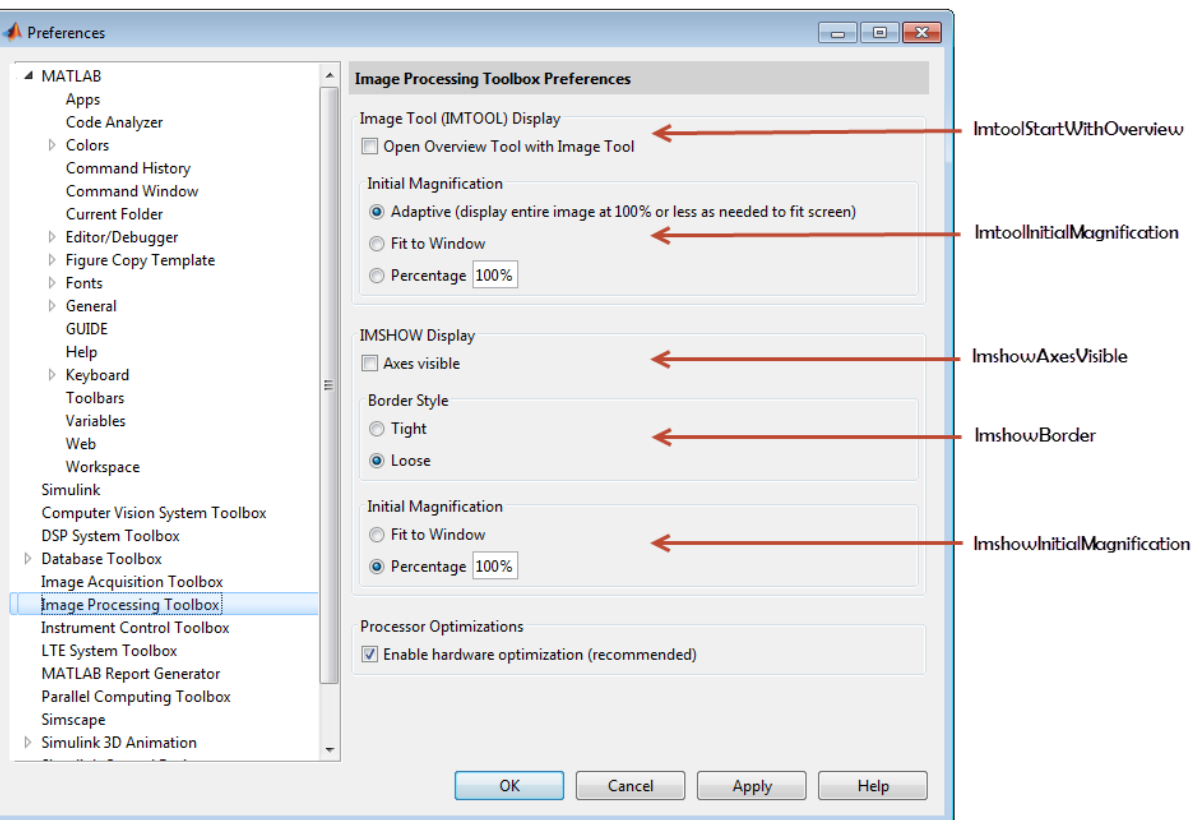


Image Processing Toolbox Preferences Dialog Box

See Also

`imshow` | `imtool` | `iptgetpref` | `iptsetpref`

Introduced in R2009a

iptremovecallback

Delete function handle from callback list

Syntax

```
iptremovecallback(h,callback,ID)
```

Description

`iptremovecallback(h,callback,ID)` deletes a callback from the list of callbacks created by `imaddcallback` for the object with handle `h` and the associated callback, specified by `callback`. `ID` is the identifier of the callback to be deleted. This `ID` is returned by `iptaddcallback` when you add the function handle to the callback list.

Examples

Register three callbacks and try them interactively.

```
h = figure;  
f1 = @(varargin) disp('Callback 1');  
f2 = @(varargin) disp('Callback 2');  
f3 = @(varargin) disp('Callback 3');  
id1 = iptaddcallback(h, 'WindowButtonMotionFcn', f1);  
id2 = iptaddcallback(h, 'WindowButtonMotionFcn', f2);  
id3 = iptaddcallback(h, 'WindowButtonMotionFcn', f3);
```

Remove one of the callbacks and then move the mouse over the figure again. Whenever MATLAB detects mouse motion over the figure, function handles `f1` and `f3` are called in that order.

```
iptremovecallback(h, 'WindowButtonMotionFcn', id2);
```

See Also

`iptaddcallback`

Introduced before R2006a

iptSetPointerBehavior

Store pointer behavior structure in graphics object

Syntax

```
iptSetPointerBehavior(obj, pointerBehavior)
iptSetPointerBehavior(obj, [])
iptSetPointerBehavior(obj, enterFcn)
```

Description

`iptSetPointerBehavior(obj, pointerBehavior)` stores the specified pointer behavior structure in the specified graphics object, `obj`. If `obj` is an array of objects, `iptSetPointerBehavior` stores the same structure in each object.

When used with a figure's pointer manager (see `iptPointerManager`), a pointer behavior structure controls what happens when the figure's mouse pointer moves over and then exits an object in the figure. For details about this structure, see "Pointer Behavior Structure" on page 1-2233.

`iptSetPointerBehavior(obj, [])` clears the pointer behavior from the graphics object or objects.

`iptSetPointerBehavior(obj, enterFcn)` creates a pointer behavior structure, setting the `enterFcn` field to the function handle specified, and setting the `traverseFcn` and `exitFcn` fields to `[]`. See "Pointer Behavior Structure" on page 1-2233 for details about these fields. This syntax is provided as a convenience because, for most common uses, only the `enterFcn` is necessary.

Pointer Behavior Structure

A pointer behavior structure contains three fields: `enterFcn`, `traverseFcn`, and `exitFcn`. You set the value of these fields to function handles and use the `iptSetPointerBehavior` function to associate this structure with a graphics object in a figure. If the figure has a pointer manager installed, the pointer manager calls these functions when the following events occur. If you set a field to `[]`, no action is taken.

Function Handle	When Called
<code>enterFcn</code>	Called when the mouse pointer moves over the object.
<code>traverseFcn</code>	Called once when the mouse pointer moves over the object, and called again each time the mouse moves within the object.
<code>exitFcn</code>	Called when the mouse pointer leaves the object.

When the pointer manager calls the functions you create, it passes two arguments: the figure object and the current position of the pointer.

Examples

Example 1

Change the mouse pointer to a fleur whenever it is over a specific object and restore the original pointer when the mouse pointer moves off the object. The example creates a patch object and associates a pointer behavior structure with the object. Because this scenario requires only an `enterFcn`, the example uses the `iptSetPointerBehavior(obj, enterFcn)` syntax. The example then creates a pointer manager in the figure. Note that the pointer manager takes care of restoring the original figure pointer.

```
patchobj = patch([.25 .75 .75 .25 .25],...  
                [.25 .25 .75 .75 .25], 'r');  
xlim([0 1]);  
ylim([0 1]);  
  
enterFcn = @(fig, currentPoint)...  
           set(fig, 'Pointer', 'fleur');  
iptSetPointerBehavior(patchobj, enterFcn);  
iptPointerManager(gcf);
```

Example 2

Change the appearance of the mouse pointer, depending on where it is within the object. This example sets up the pointer behavior structure, setting the `enterFcn` and `exitFcn` fields to `[]`, and setting `traverseFcn` to a function named `overMe` that handles the position-specific behavior. `overMe` is an example function (in `\toolbox\images`

\imdemos) that varies the mouse pointer depending on the location of the mouse within the object. For more information, edit `overMe`.

```
patchobj = patch([.25 .75 .75 .25 .25],...
                 [.25 .25 .75 .75 .25], 'r');
xlim([0 1])
ylim([0 1])

pointerBehavior.enterFcn = [];
pointerBehavior.exitFcn = [];
pointerBehavior.traverseFcn = @overMe;

iptSetPointerBehavior(patchobj, pointerBehavior);
iptPointerManager(gcf);
```

Example 3

Change the figure's title when the mouse pointer is over the object. In this scenario, `enterFcn` and `exitFcn` are used to achieve the desired effect, and `traverseFcn` is `[]`.

```
patchobj = patch([.25 .75 .75 .25 .25],...
                 [.25 .25 .75 .75 .25], 'r');
xlim([0 1])
ylim([0 1])

pointerBehavior.enterFcn = ...
    @(fig, currentPoint)...
        set(fig, 'Name', 'Over patch');
pointerBehavior.exitFcn = ...
    @(fig, currentPoint) set(fig, 'Name', '');
pointerBehavior.traverseFcn = [];

iptSetPointerBehavior(patchobj, pointerBehavior);
iptPointerManager(gcf)
```

See Also

`iptGetPointerBehavior` | `iptPointerManager`

Introduced in R2006a

iptsetpref

Set Image Processing Toolbox preferences or display valid values

Syntax

```
iptsetpref(prefname)  
iptsetpref(prefname,prefvalue)
```

Description

`iptsetpref(prefname)` displays the valid values for the Image Processing Toolbox preference specified by `prefname`.

`iptsetpref(prefname,prefvalue)` sets the Image Processing Toolbox preference specified by the `prefname` to the value specified by `prefvalue`. The setting persists until you change it.

You can also use the Image Processing Toolbox Preferences dialog box to set the preferences. To access the dialog box, click **Preferences** on the **Home** tab in the MATLAB desktop, or call the `iptprefs` function.

Examples

Set Image Processing Toolbox Preference

```
iptsetpref('ImshowBorder','tight')
```

Input Arguments

prefname — Name of an Image Processing Toolbox preference
character vector

Name of an Image Processing Toolbox preference, specified as one of the following character vectors.

The following table details the available preferences and their syntaxes. Note that preference names are case insensitive and you can abbreviate them. The default value appears enclosed in braces ({}).

Image Processing Toolbox Preferences

Preference Name	Description
'ImshowAxesVisible'	<p>Controls whether <code>imshow</code> displays images with the axes box and tick labels. Possible values:</p> <p>'on' — Include axes box and tick labels.</p> <p>{'off'} — Do not include axes box and tick labels.</p>
'ImshowBorder'	<p>Controls whether <code>imshow</code> includes a border around the image in the figure window. Possible values:</p> <p>{'loose'} — Include a border between the image and the edges of the figure window, thus leaving room for axes labels, titles, etc.</p> <p>'tight' — Adjust the figure size so that the image entirely fills the figure.</p> <hr/> <p>Note There still can be a border if the image is very small, or if there are other objects besides the image and its axes in the figure.</p> <hr/> <p>You can override this preference by specifying the 'Border' parameter when you call <code>imshow</code>.</p>

Preference Name	Description
'ImshowInitialMagnification'	<p>Controls the initial magnification of the image displayed by <code>imshow</code>. Possible values:</p> <p>Any numeric value — <code>imshow</code> interprets numeric values as a percentage. The default value is <code>100</code>. A magnification of <code>100%</code> means that there should be one screen pixel for every image pixel.</p> <p>'<code>fit</code>' — Scale the image so that it fits into the window in its entirety.</p> <p>You can override this preference by specifying the '<code>InitialMagnification</code>' parameter when you call <code>imshow</code>, or by calling the <code>truesize</code> function manually after displaying the image.</p>
'ImtoolInitialMagnification'	<p>Controls the initial magnification of the image displayed by <code>imtool</code>. Possible values:</p> <p>{ '<code>adaptive</code>' } — Display the entire image. If the image is too large to display on the screen at <code>100%</code> magnification, display the image at the largest magnification that fits on the screen. This is the default.</p> <p>Any numeric value — Specify the magnification as a percentage. A magnification of <code>100%</code> means that there should be one screen pixel for every image pixel.</p> <p>'<code>fit</code>' — Scale the image so that it fits into the window in its entirety.</p> <p>You can override this preference by specifying the '<code>InitialMagnification</code>' parameter when you call <code>imtool</code>.</p>

Preference Name	Description
'ImtoolStartWithOverview'	<p>Controls whether the Overview tool opens automatically when you open an image using the Image Tool (<code>imtool</code>). Possible values:</p> <p><code>true</code> — Overview tool opens when you open an image.</p> <p><code>{false}</code> — Overview tool does not open when you open an image. This is the default behavior.</p>
'VolumeViewerUseHardware'	<p>Controls whether the <code>volumeViewer</code> app uses OpenGL shaders on the local graphics hardware to optimize volume rendering. Possible values:</p> <p><code>{true}</code> — Enable hardware optimization.</p> <p><code>false</code> — Disable hardware optimization.</p> <hr/> <p>Note Note: Setting this preference to <code>false</code> has the side effect of removing certain functionality from the app and will drastically slow down rendering performance. This preference should only be set to <code>false</code> in technical support scenarios to resolve problems with graphics drivers.</p>
'UseIPPL'	<p>Controls whether some toolbox functions use hardware optimization or not. Possible values:</p> <p><code>{true}</code> — Enable hardware optimization</p> <p><code>false</code> — Disable hardware optimization</p> <hr/> <p>Note Note: Setting this preference value clears all loaded MEX-files.</p>

Data Types: char

prefvalue — Value you want to assign to an Image Processing Toolbox preference

character vector | numeric scalar | logical scalar

Value you want to assign to an Image Processing Toolbox preference, specified as one of the values listed in the table in `prefname`.

Example: `iptsetpref('ImshowBorder','tight')`

See Also

Volume Viewer | `imshow` | `imtool` | `iptgetpref` | `iptprefs`

Introduced before R2006a

iptwindowalign

Align figure windows

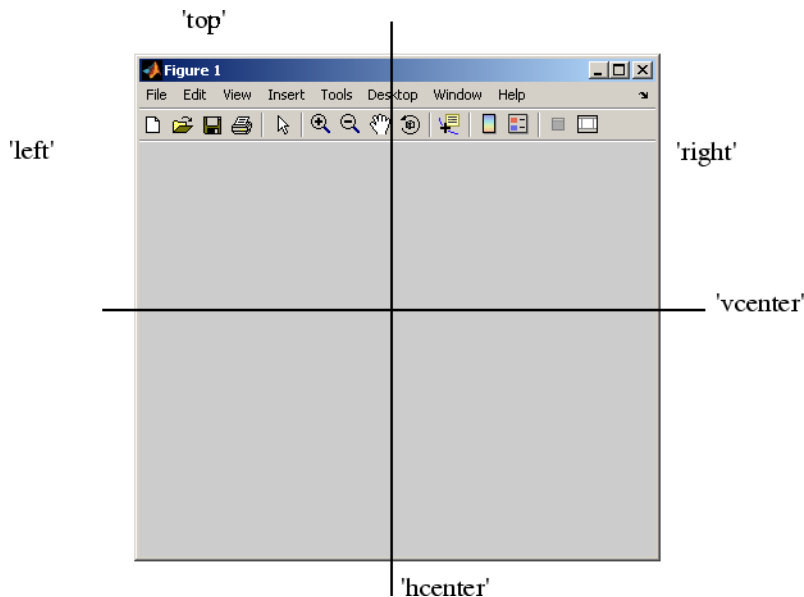
Syntax

```
iptwindowalign(fixed_fig, fixed_edge, moving_fig, moving_edge)
```

Description

`iptwindowalign(fixed_fig, fixed_edge, moving_fig, moving_edge)` aligns the edge `moving_edge` of figure `moving_fig` with the edge `fixed_edge` of figure `fixed_fig`.

You can align two figure windows along the top, bottom, left, or right edges. You can also center the figures horizontally or vertically. The figure shows the possible alignments.



Examples

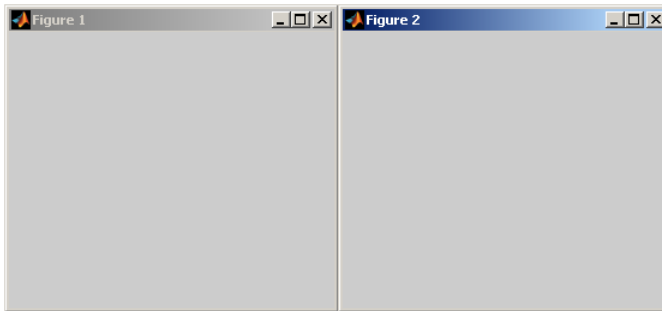
Align Two Figure Windows

To illustrate some possible figure window alignments, first create two figures: `fig1` and `fig2`. Initially, `fig2` overlays `fig1` on the screen.

```
fig1 = figure;  
fig2 = figure;
```

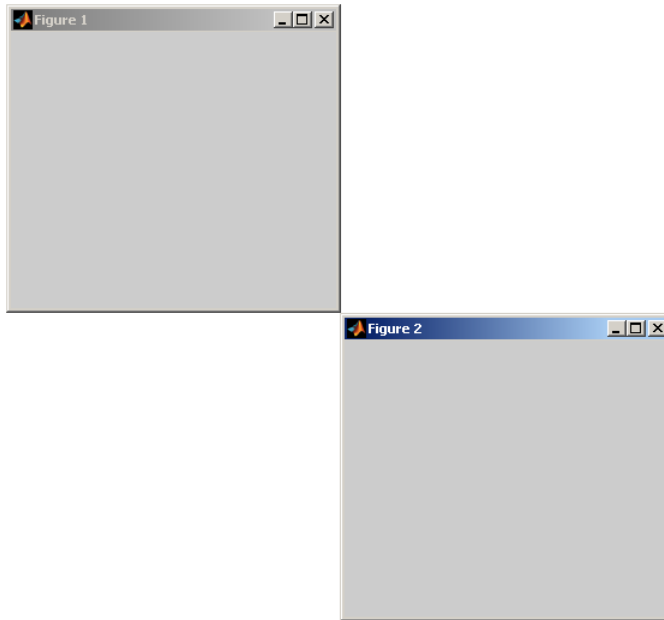
Use `iptwindowalign` to move `fig2` so its left edge is aligned with the right edge of `fig1`.

```
iptwindowalign(fig1, 'right', fig2, 'left');
```



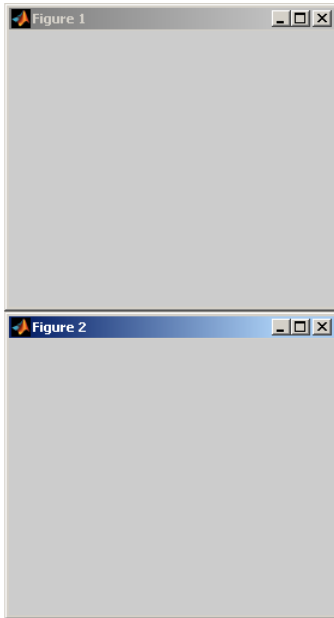
Now move `fig2` so its top edge is aligned with the bottom edge of `fig1`.

```
iptwindowalign(fig1, 'bottom', fig2, 'top');
```



Now move `fig2` so the two figures are centered horizontally.

```
iptwindowalign(fig1, 'hcenter', fig2, 'hcenter');
```



Input Arguments

fixed_fig — Fixed figure window

handle

Fixed figure window, specified as a handle to a figure.

fixed_edge — Alignment of fixed figure window

'left' | 'right' | 'hcenter' | 'top' | 'bottom' | 'vcenter'

Alignment of the fixed figure window, specified as 'left', 'right', 'hcenter', 'top', 'bottom', or 'vcenter'. To center the figures horizontally, use 'hcenter'. To center the figures vertically, use 'vcenter'.

moving_fig — fixed

numeric array

Moving figure window, specified as a handle to a figure.

moving_edge — Alignment of moving figure window

'left' | 'right' | 'hcenter' | 'top' | 'bottom' | 'vcenter'

Alignment of the moving figure window, specified as 'left', 'right', 'hcenter', 'top', 'bottom', or 'vcenter'. To center the figures vertically, use 'vcenter'.

Tips

- The two specified edges must be consistent in terms of their direction. For example, you cannot specify 'left' for `fixed_edge` and 'bottom' for `moving_edge`.
- `iptwindowalign` constrains the position adjustment of `moving_fig` to keep the figure entirely visible on the screen.
- `iptwindowalign` has no effect if either figure window is docked.

See Also

`imtool`

Introduced before R2006a

iradon

Inverse Radon transform

Syntax

```
I = iradon(R,theta)
I = iradon(R,theta,interp,filter,frequency_scaling,output_size)
[I,H] = iradon( ___ )
```

Description

`I = iradon(R,theta)` reconstructs the image `I` from projection data in `R`. `theta` describes the angles (in degrees) at which the projections were taken.

You optionally can compute the inverse Radon transform using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`I = iradon(R,theta,interp,filter,frequency_scaling,output_size)` specifies parameters to use in the inverse Radon transform. You can specify any combination of the last four arguments. `iradon` uses default values for arguments that you omit.

`[I,H] = iradon(___)` also returns the frequency response of the filter, `H`.

Examples

Compare Filtered and Unfiltered Backprojection

Create an image of the phantom. Display the image.

```
P = phantom(128);
imshow(P)
title('Original image')
```



Perform a Radon transform of the image.

```
R = radon(P,0:179);
```

Perform filtered backprojection.

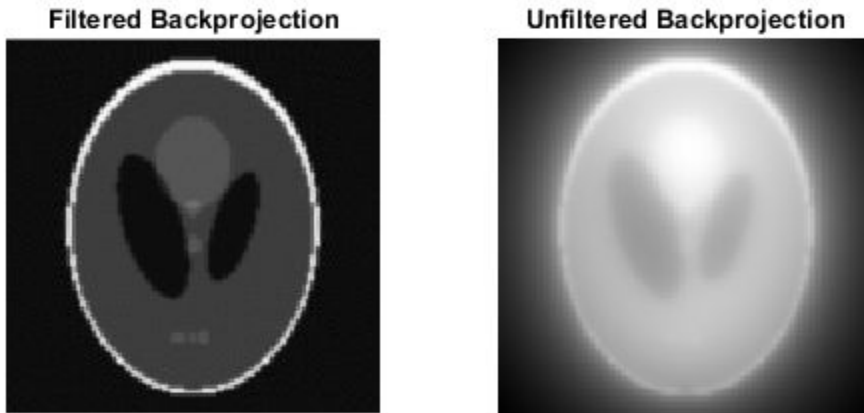
```
I1 = iradon(R,0:179);
```

Perform unfiltered backprojection.

```
I2 = iradon(R,0:179,'linear','none');
```

Display the reconstructed images.

```
figure
subplot(1,2,1)
imshow(I1,[])
title('Filtered Backprojection')
subplot(1,2,2)
imshow(I2,[])
title('Unfiltered Backprojection')
```



Examine Backprojection at a Single Angle

Create an image of the phantom.

```
P = phantom(128);
```

Perform a Radon transform of the image, then get the projection vector corresponding to a projection at a 45 degree angle.

```
R = radon(P,0:179);  
r45 = R(:,46);
```

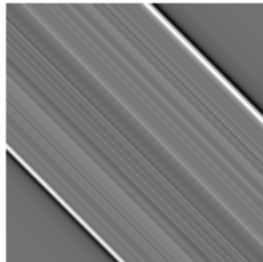
Perform the inverse Radon transform of this single projection vector. The `iradon` syntax does not allow you to do this directly, because if `theta` is a scalar it is treated as an increment. You can accomplish the task by passing in two copies of the projection vector and then dividing the result by 2.

```
I = iradon([r45 r45], [45 45])/2;
```

Display the result.

```
imshow(I, [])  
title('Backprojection from 45 degrees')
```

Backprojection from 45 degrees



Calculate Inverse Radon Transform on a GPU

Calculate the inverse Radon transform on a GPU.

```
P = gpuArray(phantom(128));  
R = radon(P,0:179);  
I1 = iradon(R,0:179);  
I2 = iradon(R,0:179,'linear','none');  
subplot(1,3,1), imshow(P), title('Original')
```



```
subplot(1,3,2), imshow(I1), title('Filtered backprojection')
subplot(1,3,3), imshow(I2,[]), title('Unfiltered backprojection')
```

Input Arguments

R — Parallel beam projection data

numeric column vector | numeric matrix | gpuArray

Parallel beam projection data, specified as one of the following.

- If **theta** is a scalar, then specify R as a numeric column vector containing the Radon transform for **theta** degrees.
- If **theta** is a vector, then specify R as a 2-D matrix in which each column is the Radon transform for one of the angles in **theta**.

To calculate the inverse Radon transform using a GPU, specify R as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric column vector or numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

theta — Projection angles

numeric vector | numeric scalar | [] | gpuArray

Projection angles (in degrees), specified as one of the following.

Value	Description
numeric vector	Projection angles. There must be equal spacing between the angles.
numeric scalar	Incremental angle between projections. Projections are taken at angles $m \cdot \text{theta}$, where $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, \text{size}(R, 2) - 1$.
[]	Automatically set the incremental angle between projections to $180 / \text{size}(R, 2)$

To calculate the inverse Radon transform using a GPU, you optionally can specify **theta** as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric vector or scalar.

Data Types: `double`

interp — Type of interpolation`'linear'` (default) | `'nearest'` | `'spline'` | `'pchip'`

Type of interpolation to use in the back projection, specified as one of these values, listed in order of increasing accuracy and computational complexity.

Value	Description
'nearest'	Nearest-neighbor interpolation
'linear'	Linear interpolation (the default)
'spline'	Spline interpolation
'pchip'	Shape-preserving piecewise cubic interpolation

If you calculate the inverse Radon transform using a GPU, then `interp` must be `'nearest'` or `'linear'`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

filter — Filter`'Ram-Lak'` (default) | `'Shepp-Logan'` | `'Cosine'` | `'Hamming'` | `'Hann'` | `'None'`

Filter to use for frequency domain filtering, specified as one of these values.

Value	Description
'Ram-Lak'	Cropped Ram-Lak or ramp filter. The frequency response of this filter is $ f $. Because this filter is sensitive to noise in the projections, one of the filters listed below might be preferable. These filters multiply the Ram-Lak filter by a window that de-emphasizes high frequencies.
'Shepp-Logan'	Multiplies the Ram-Lak filter by a <code>sinc</code> function
'Cosine'	Multiplies the Ram-Lak filter by a <code>cosine</code> function
'Hamming'	Multiplies the Ram-Lak filter by a Hamming window
'Hann'	Multiplies the Ram-Lak filter by a Hann window
'None'	No filtering. <code>iradon</code> returns unfiltered backprojection data.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

frequency_scaling — Scale factor`1` (default) | positive number in the range (0, 1]

Scale factor for rescaling the frequency axis, specified as a positive number in the range (0, 1]. If `frequency_scaling` is less than 1, then the filter is compressed to fit into the frequency range $[0, \text{frequency_scaling}]$, in normalized frequencies; all frequencies above `frequency_scaling` are set to 0.

output_size — Number of rows and columns in the reconstructed image

positive integer

Number of rows and columns in the reconstructed image, specified as a positive integer. If `output_size` is not specified, the size is determined from the length of the projections according to:

```
output_size = 2*floor(size(R,1)/(2*sqrt(2)))
```

If you specify `output_size`, then `iradon` reconstructs a smaller or larger portion of the image but does not change the scaling of the data. If the projections were calculated with the `radon` function, then the reconstructed image might not be the same size as the original image.

Output Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric matrix | `gpuArray`

Grayscale image, returned as a numeric matrix. If input projection data `R` is data type `single`, then `I` is `single`; otherwise `I` is `double`.

If the inverse Radon transform is computed using a GPU, then `I` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

H — Frequency response

numeric vector

Frequency response of the filter, returned as a numeric vector.

If the inverse Radon transform is computed using a GPU, then `I` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric vector.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

`i radon` assumes that the center of rotation is the center point of the projections, which is defined as `ceil(size(R,1)/2)`.

`i radon` uses the filtered back projection algorithm to perform the inverse Radon transform. The filter is designed directly in the frequency domain and then multiplied by the FFT of the projections. The projections are zero-padded to a power of 2 before filtering to prevent spatial domain aliasing and to speed up the FFT.

References

[1] Kak, A. C., and M. Slaney, *Principles of Computerized Tomographic Imaging*, New York, NY, IEEE Press, 1988.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- The GPU implementation of this function supports only nearest-neighbor and linear interpolation methods.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`fan2para` | `fanbeam` | `ifanbeam` | `para2fan` | `phantom` | `radon`

Introduced before R2006a

isflat

True for flat structuring element

Note `isflat` will be removed in a future release. See `strel` for the current list of methods.

Syntax

TF = `isflat`(SE)

Description

TF = `isflat`(SE) returns `true` (1) if the structuring element SE is flat; otherwise the function returns `false` (0).

Input Arguments

SE — Structuring element

`strel` object | `offsetstrel` object | array of `strel` objects | array of `offsetstrel` objects

Structuring element, specified as a `strel` object, an array of `strel` objects, an `offsetstrel` object, or an array of `offsetstrel` objects.

Output Arguments

TF — Structuring element is flat

logical scalar | logical array

Structuring element SE is flat, returned as a logical scalar or logical array of the same size as SE. If the structuring element consists of `offsetstrel` objects, then TF is `false` regardless of the neighborhood.

Data Types: logical

See Also

Topics

“Structuring Elements”

Introduced before R2006a

isicc

Check for valid ICC profile data

Syntax

```
tf = isicc(profile)
```

Description

`tf = isicc(profile)` checks if the input profile is a valid International Color Consortium (ICC) profile data. The function returns a logical value that indicates if the input is a valid ICC profile.

Examples

Check if ICC Profile Data is Valid

Read in an ICC profile data into the workspace.

```
profile = iccread('sRGB.icm');
```

Check if `profile` is a valid ICC profile data. The function returns logical 1 (true).

```
tf = isicc(profile)
```

```
tf = logical  
    1
```

Create a new ICC profile data without the header and copyright fields. Use `rmfield` to remove the 'Header' and 'Copyright' fields from the ICC profile data structure.

```
newProfile = rmfield(profile,{'Header', 'Copyright'});
```

Inspect the new profile data to verify that the 'Header' and 'Copyright' fields are removed.

`newProfile`

```
newProfile = struct with fields:
    TagTable: {17x3 cell}
    Description: [1x1 struct]
    MediaWhitePoint: [0.9505 1 1.0891]
    MediaBlackPoint: [0 0 0]
    DeviceMfgDesc: [1x1 struct]
    DeviceModelDesc: [1x1 struct]
    ViewingCondDesc: [1x1 struct]
    ViewingConditions: [1x1 struct]
    Luminance: [76.0365 80 87.1246]
    Measurement: [1x1 struct]
    Technology: 'Cathode Ray Tube Display'
    MatTRC: [1x1 struct]
    PrivateTags: {}
    Filename: 'sRGB.icm'
```

Check if `newProfile` is a valid ICC profile data. The function returns logical 0 (false).

```
tf = isicc(newProfile)
```

```
tf = logical
    0
```

Input Arguments

profile — ICC profile data

structure array

ICC profile data, specified as a structure array, represents an ICC profile in the data format returned by `iccread`. The ICC profile data must contain all the tags and fields required by the ICC profile specification.

Data Types: `struct`

Output Arguments

tf — Valid ICC profile

1 (true) | 0 (false)

Valid ICC profile, returned as logical 1 (`true`) when the input is a valid ICC profile data, and logical 0 (`false`) otherwise.

Algorithms

`isicc` checks if `profile` has a complete set of the tags required for an ICC profile. `profile` must contain a `Header` field, which in turn must contain a `Version` field and a `DeviceClass` field. These fields along with others, are used to determine the set of required tags according to the ICC profile specification. The required tags for ICC profile specifications related to Version 2 (ICC.1:2001-04) and Version 4 (ICC.1:2001-12) are available at www.color.org.

See Also

`applycform` | `iccread` | `iccwrite` | `makecform`

Introduced before R2006a

isnitr

Check if file is National Imagery Transmission Format (NITF) file

Syntax

```
[tf, NITF_version] = isnitr(filename)
```

Description

`[tf, NITF_version] = isnitr(filename)` returns `True` (1) if the file specified by `filename` is a National Imagery Transmission Format (NITF) file, otherwise `False` (0). If the file is a NITF file, `isnitr` returns a character vector identifying the NITF version in `NITF_version`, such as `'2.1'`. If the file is not a NITF file, `NITF_version` contains the character vector `'UNK'`.

See Also

`nitfinfo` | `nitfread`

Introduced in R2007b

isRigid

Determine if transformation is rigid transformation

Syntax

```
TF = isRigid(tform)
```

Description

`TF = isRigid(tform)` determines whether or not the affine transformation specified by `tform` is a rigid transformation.

Examples

Check If 2-D Transformation Is Rigid

Create an `affine2d` object that defines a pure translation.

```
A = [ 1  0  0  
      0  1  0  
      40 40  1 ];
```

```
tform = affine2d(A)
```

```
tform =
```

```
    affine2d with properties:
```

```
                T: [3x3 double]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Test if it is a rigid transformation.

```
tf = isRigid(tform)
```

```
tf =
```

```
    1
```

Check If 3-D Transformation Is Rigid

Create an `affine3d` object that defines a different scale factor in each dimension.

```
Sx = 1.2;
```

```
Sy = 1.6;
```

```
Sz = 2.4;
```

```
tform = affine3d([Sx 0 0 0; 0 Sy 0 0; 0 0 Sz 0; 0 0 0 1])
```

```
tform =
```

```
    affine3d with properties:
```

```
                T: [4x4 double]
```

```
    Dimensionality: 3
```

Check if the transformation is rigid.

```
TF = isRigid(tform)
```

```
TF =
```

```
    0
```

Input Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

`affine2d` or `affine3d` geometric transformation object

Geometric transformation, specified as an `affine2d` or `affine3d` geometric transformation object.

Output Arguments

TF — Flag indicating rigid transformation

scalar

Flag indicating rigid transformation, returned as a logical scalar. TF is True when `tform` is a rigid transformation.

Data Types: `logical`

Definitions

Rigid Transformation

A rigid transformation includes only rotation and translation. It does not include reflection, and it does not modify the size or shape of an input object.

See Also

`isSimilarity` | `isTranslation`

Introduced in R2013a

isrset

Check if file is valid R-Set file

Syntax

```
[tf,supported] = isrset(filename)
```

Description

`[tf,supported] = isrset(filename)` checks if the specified file is a valid reduced resolution dataset (R-Set) file.

Logical scalar `tf` indicates if the file is an R-Set file. Logical scalar `supported` confirms if input is an R-Set file compatible with the current version of the Image Processing Toolbox. If the function returns true for both `tf` and `supported`, the specified file is a valid R-Set file.

Examples

Check If File Is Valid R-Set File

Load a file into the workspace.

```
filename = 'MandiRset';
```

Check if the file is a valid R-Set file. Confirm if both outputs are true.

```
[tf,supported] = isrset(filename)
```

```
tf = logical  
    1
```

supported = *logical*
1

Input Arguments

filename — Name of the file

character vector | string scalar

Name of the file, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

tf — R-Set file type validation

logical scalar

R-Set file type validation, returned as a logical scalar.

- `1` (`true`) — The input file is an R-Set file.
- `0` (`false`) — The input file is not an R-Set file.

Data Types: `logical`

supported — Version support validation

logical scalar

Version support validation, returned as a logical scalar.

- `1` (`true`) — The specified file is an R-Set file created using a version of the `rsetwrite` function that is compatible with the version of the Image Processing Toolbox used to read the R-Set file.
- `0` (`false`) — The specified file is either:
 - Not an R-Set file
 - An R-Set file created using a version of the `rsetwrite` function that is not compatible with the version of the Image Processing Toolbox used to read the R-Set file.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

`openrset` | `rsetwrite`

Topics

“Create and Open Reduced Resolution Files”

Introduced in R2009a

isSimilarity

Determine if transformation is similarity transformation

Syntax

```
TF = isSimilarity(tform)
```

Description

`TF = isSimilarity(tform)` determines whether or not the affine transformation specified by `tform` is a similarity transformation.

Examples

Check if 2-D transformation is a similarity transformation

Create an `affine2d` object that defines a pure translation.

```
A = [ 1  0  0  
      0  1  0  
      40 40  1 ];
```

```
tform = affine2d(A)
```

```
tform =
```

```
    affine2d with properties:
```

```
                T: [3x3 double]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Check if transformation is a similarity transformation.

```
tf = isSimilarity(tform)
```

```
tf =
```

```
1
```

Check if 3-D transformation is a similarity transformation

Create an `affine3d` object that defines a different scale factor in each dimension.

```
Sx = 1.2;  
Sy = 1.6;  
Sz = 2.4;  
tform = affine3d([Sx 0 0 0; 0 Sy 0 0; 0 0 Sz 0; 0 0 0 1])
```

```
tform =
```

```
affine3d with properties:
```

```
          T: [4x4 double]  
Dimensionality: 3
```

Check if the transformation is a similarity transformation.

```
TF = isSimilarity(tform)
```

```
TF =
```

```
0
```

Input Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

`affine2d` or `affine3d` geometric transformation object

Geometric transformation, specified as an `affine2d` or `affine3d` geometric transformation object.

Output Arguments

TF — Flag indicating similarity transformation

scalar

Flag indicating similarity transformation, returned as a logical scalar. TF is True when `tform` is a similarity transformation.

Data Types: `logical`

Definitions

Similarity Transformation

A similarity transformation includes only rotation, translation, isotropic scaling, and reflection. A similarity transformation does not modify the shape of an input object. Straight lines remain straight, and parallel lines remain parallel.

Note `isSimilarity` returns True if the transformation includes reflection. Some toolbox functions, such as `imregister`, support only non-reflective similarity. Other functions, such as `fitgeotrans`, support reflection.

See Also

`isRigid` | `isTranslation`

Introduced in R2013a

isTranslation

Determine if transformation is pure translation

Syntax

```
TF = isTranslation(tform)
```

Description

`TF = isTranslation(tform)` determines whether or not the affine transformation specified by `tform` is a pure translation.

Examples

Check If 2-D Transformation Is a Pure Translation

Create an `affine2d` object that defines a pure translation.

```
A = [ 1  0  0  
      0  1  0  
      40 40  1 ];
```

```
tform = affine2d(A)
```

```
tform =
```

```
    affine2d with properties:
```

```
          T: [3x3 double]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Check if the transformation is a pure translation.

```
tf = isTranslation(tform)
```

```
tf =
```

```
    1
```

Check If 3-D Transformation Is a Pure Translation

Create an `affine3d` object that defines a different scale factor in each dimension.

```
Sx = 1.2;
Sy = 1.6;
Sz = 2.4;
tform = affine3d([Sx 0 0 0; 0 Sy 0 0; 0 0 Sz 0; 0 0 0 1]);
```

```
tf =
```

```
    affine3d with properties:
```

```
                T: [4x4 double]
    Dimensionality: 3
```

Check if the transformation is a pure translation. Since `tform` scales the object,

```
tf = isTranslation(tform)
```

```
tf =
```

```
    0
```

As expected, the transformation is not a pure translation since scaling changes the size and shape of an input volume.

Input Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

`affine2d` or `affine3d` geometric transformation object

Geometric transformation, specified as an `affine2d` or `affine3d` geometric transformation object.

Output Arguments

TF — Flag indicating pure translation transformation

scalar

Flag indicating pure translation transformation, returned as a logical scalar. TF is True when `tform` represents a pure translation.

Data Types: `logical`

Definitions

Translation Transformation

A translation transformation shifts an image without modifying the image size, shape, or orientation. A 2-D translation is represented by a matrix T of the form:

```
[1 0 0;  
 0 1 0;  
 e f 1];
```

A 3-D translation is represented by a matrix of the form:

```
[1 0 0 0;  
 0 1 0 0;  
 0 0 1 0;  
 j k l 1];
```

See Also

`isRigid` | `isSimilarity`

Introduced in R2013a

jaccard

Jaccard similarity coefficient for image segmentation

Syntax

```
similarity = jaccard(BW1,BW2)
similarity = jaccard(L1,L2)
similarity = jaccard(C1,C2)
```

Description

`similarity = jaccard(BW1,BW2)` computes the intersection of binary images `BW1` and `BW2` divided by the union of `BW1` and `BW2`, also known as the Jaccard index. The images can be binary images, label images, or categorical images.

`similarity = jaccard(L1,L2)` computes the Jaccard index for each label in label images `L1` and `L2`.

`similarity = jaccard(C1,C2)` computes the Jaccard index for each category in categorical images `C1` and `C2`.

Examples

Compute Jaccard Similarity Coefficient for Binary Segmentation

Read an image containing an object to segment. Convert the image to grayscale, and display the result.

```
A = imread('hands1.jpg');
I = rgb2gray(A);
figure
imshow(I)
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Use the active contours (snakes) method to segment the hand.

```
mask = false(size(I));  
mask(25:end-25,25:end-25) = true;  
BW = activecontour(I, mask, 300);
```

Read in the ground truth against which to compare the segmentation.

```
BW_groundTruth = imread('hands1-mask.png');
```

Compute the Jaccard index of this segmentation.

```
similarity = jaccard(BW, BW_groundTruth);
```

Display the masks on top of each other. Colors indicate differences in the masks.

```
figure  
imshowpair(BW, BW_groundTruth)  
title(['Jaccard Index = ' num2str(similarity)])
```


Jaccard Index = 0.72158



Compute Jaccard Similarity Coefficient for Multi-Region Segmentation

This example shows how to segment an image into multiple regions. The example then computes the Jaccard similarity coefficient for each region.

Read in an image with several regions to segment.

```
RGB = imread('yellowlily.jpg');
```

Create scribbles for three regions that distinguish their typical color characteristics. The first region classifies the yellow flower. The second region classifies the green stem and leaves. The last region classifies the brown dirt in two separate patches of the image. Regions are specified by a 4-element vector, whose elements indicate the x- and y-coordinate of the upper left corner of the ROI, the width of the ROI, and the height of the ROI.

```
region1 = [350 700 425 120]; % [x y w h] format
BW1 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
```

```
BW1(region1(2):region1(2)+region1(4),region1(1):region1(1)+region1(3)) = true;

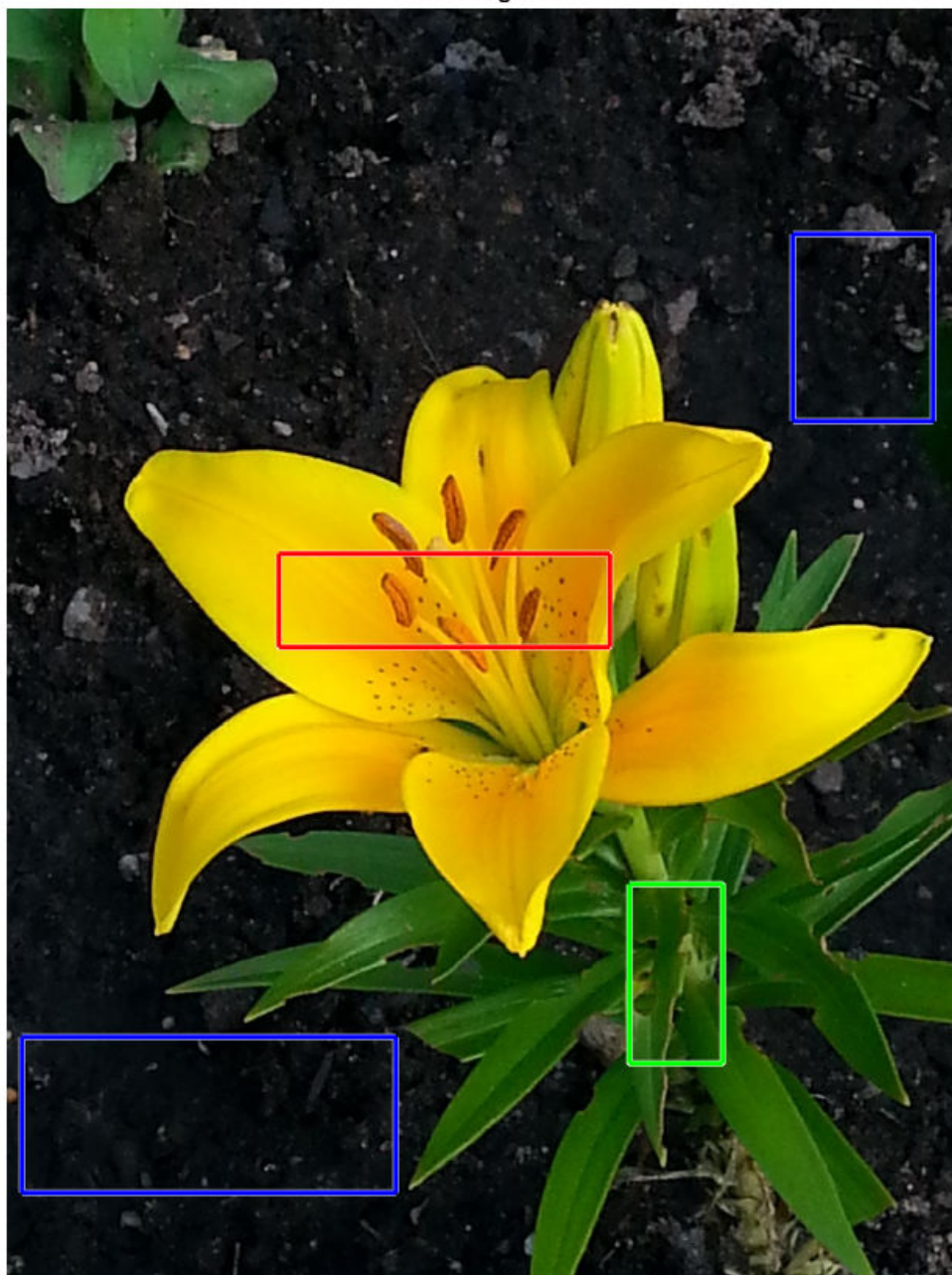
region2 = [800 1124 120 230];
BW2 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW2(region2(2):region2(2)+region2(4),region2(1):region2(1)+region2(3)) = true;

region3 = [20 1320 480 200; 1010 290 180 240];
BW3 = false(size(RGB,1),size(RGB,2));
BW3(region3(1,2):region3(1,2)+region3(1,4),region3(1,1):region3(1,1)+region3(1,3)) = true;
BW3(region3(2,2):region3(2,2)+region3(2,4),region3(2,1):region3(2,1)+region3(2,3)) = true;
```

Display the seed regions on top of the image.

```
figure
imshow(IMG)
hold on
visboundaries(BW1,'Color','r');
visboundaries(BW2,'Color','g');
visboundaries(BW3,'Color','b');
title('Seed Regions')
```

Seed Regions



Segment the image into three regions using geodesic distance-based color segmentation.

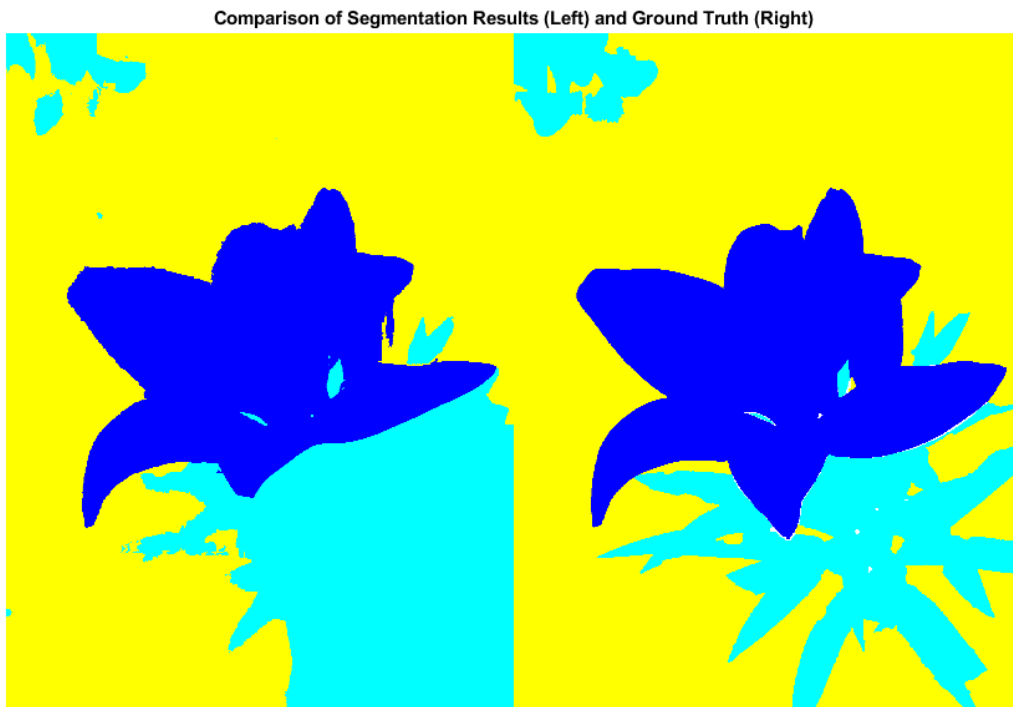
```
L = imseggeodesic(RGB,BW1,BW2,BW3,'AdaptiveChannelWeighting',true);
```

Load a ground truth segmentation of the image.

```
L_groundTruth = double(imread('yellowlily-segmented.png'));
```

Visually compare the segmentation results with the ground truth.

```
figure  
imshowpair(label2rgb(L),label2rgb(L_groundTruth),'montage')  
title('Comparison of Segmentation Results (Left) and Ground Truth (Right)')
```



Compute the Jaccard similarity index (IoU) for each segmented region.

```
similarity = jaccard(L, L_groundTruth)
```

```
similarity = 3×1  
  
    0.8861  
    0.5683  
    0.8414
```

The Jaccard similarity index is noticeably smaller for the second region. This result is consistent with the visual comparison of the segmentation results, which erroneously classifies the dirt in the lower right corner of the image as leaves.

Input Arguments

BW1 — First binary image

logical array

First binary image, specified as a logical array of any dimension.

Data Types: logical

BW2 — Second binary image

logical array

Second binary image, specified as a logical array of the same size as BW1.

Data Types: logical

L1 — First label image

array of nonnegative integers

First label image, specified as an array of nonnegative integers, of any dimension.

Data Types: double

L2 — Second label image

array of nonnegative integers

Second label image, specified as an array of nonnegative integers, of the same size as L1.

Data Types: double

C1 — First categorical image

categorical array

First categorical image, specified as a `categorical` array of any dimension.

Data Types: `category`

C2 — Second categorical image

`categorical` array

Second categorical image, specified as a `categorical` array of the same size as C1.

Data Types: `category`

Output Arguments

similarity — Jaccard similarity coefficient

numeric scalar | numeric vector

Jaccard similarity coefficient, returned as a numeric scalar or numeric vector with values in the range [0, 1]. A `similarity` of 1 means that the segmentations in the two images are a perfect match. If the input arrays are:

- binary images, `similarity` is a scalar.
- label images, `similarity` is a vector, where the first coefficient is the Jaccard index for label 1, the second coefficient is the Jaccard index for label 2, and so on.
- categorical images, `similarity` is a vector, where the first coefficient is the Jaccard index for the first category, the second coefficient is the Jaccard index for the second category, and so on.

Data Types: `double`

Definitions

Jaccard Similarity Coefficient

The Jaccard similarity coefficient of two sets A and B (also known as intersection over union or IoU) is expressed as:

$$\text{jaccard}(A,B) = \frac{|\text{intersection}(A,B)|}{|\text{union}(A,B)|}$$

where $|A|$ represents the cardinal of set A . The Jaccard index can also be expressed in terms of true positives (TP), false positives (FP) and false negatives (FN) as:

$$\text{jaccard}(A,B) = TP / (TP + FP + FN)$$

The Jaccard index is related to the Dice index according to:

$$\text{jaccard}(A,B) = \text{dice}(A,B) / (2 - \text{dice}(A,B))$$

See Also

[bfscore](#) | [dice](#)

Introduced in R2017b

lab2double

Convert L*a*b* color values to double

Syntax

```
labD = lab2double(lab)
```

Description

`labD = lab2double(lab)` converts L*a*b* color values to type double.

Examples

Convert L*a*b* Color Values to double

This example shows how to convert `uint8` L*a*b* values to double.

Create a `uint8` vector specifying the color white in L*a*b* colorspace.

```
w = uint8([255 128 128]);
```

Convert the L*a*b* color value to double.

```
lab2double(w)
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    100     0     0
```


Input Arguments

lab — Color values to convert

m-by-3 matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array

Color values to convert, specified as a *m*-by-3 matrix of color values (one color per row), or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array. The input `lab` matrix must be real and nonsparse.

Data Types: `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

labD — Converted color values

numeric array

Converted color values, returned as a numeric array of same size as the input.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

The function converts the L*a*b* color values to type `double`. The Image Processing Toolbox software follows the convention that double-precision L*a*b* arrays contain 1976 CIE L*a*b* values. The L*a*b* arrays that are `uint8` or `uint16` follow the convention in the ICC profile specification (ICC.1:2001-4, www.color.org) for representing L*a*b* values as unsigned 8-bit or 16-bit integers. The ICC encoding convention is illustrated by these tables.

Value (L*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
0.0	0	0
100.0	255	65280
100.0 + (25500/65280)	None	65535

Value (a* or b*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
-128.0	0	0
0.0	128	32768

Value (a* or b*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
127.0	255	65280
127.0 + (255/256)	None	65535

See Also

[applycform](#) | [lab2uint16](#) | [lab2uint8](#) | [makecform](#) | [whitepoint](#) | [xyz2double](#) | [xyz2uint16](#)

Introduced in R2006a

lab2rgb

Convert CIE 1976 L*a*b* to RGB

Syntax

```
rgb = lab2rgb(lab)
rgb = lab2rgb(lab,Name,Value)
```

Description

`rgb = lab2rgb(lab)` converts CIE 1976 L*a*b* values to sRGB values.

`rgb = lab2rgb(lab,Name,Value)` specifies additional conversion options, such as the color space of the RGB image, using one or more name-value pair arguments.

Examples

Convert L*a*b* Color to RGB

Convert a color value in the L*a*b* color space to standard RGB color space.

```
lab2rgb([70 5 10])
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    0.7359    0.6566    0.6010
```

Convert L*a*b* Color to Adobe RGB

Convert a color value in L*a*b* color space to the Adobe RGB (1998) color space.

```
lab2rgb([70 5 10], 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998')
```

```
ans = 1×3
      0.7086    0.6507    0.5978
```

Convert L*a*b* Color to RGB Specifying Whitepoint

Convert an L*a*b* color value to standard RGB specifying the D50 whitepoint.

```
lab2rgb([70 5 10], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')
```

```
ans = 1×3
      0.7282    0.6573    0.6007
```

Convert L*a*b* Color to 8-bit-encoded RGB Color

Convert an L*a*b* color value to an 8-bit encoded RGB color value.

```
lab2rgb([70 5 10], 'OutputType', 'uint8')
```

```
ans = 1×3 uint8 row vector
      188    167    153
```

Input Arguments

lab — L*a*b* color values

numeric array

L*a*b* color values to convert, specified as a numeric array in one of the following formats.

- *c*-by-3 colormap. Each row specifies one XYZ color value.

- *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image
- *m*-by-*n*-by-3-by-*p* stack of images

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `lab2rgb([70 5 10],'WhitePoint','d50')`

ColorSpace — Color space of the output RGB values

`'srgb'` (default) | `'adobe-rgb-1998'` | `'linear-rgb'`

Color space of the output RGB values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ColorSpace'` and `'srgb'`, `'adobe-rgb-1998'`, or `'linear-rgb'`. If you specify `'linear-rgb'`, then `lab2rgb` returns linearized sRGB values.

Data Types: `char`

WhitePoint — Reference white point

`'d65'` (default) | `'a'` | `'c'` | `'e'` | `'d50'` | `'d55'` | `'icc'` | 1-by-3 vector

Reference white point, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'WhitePoint'` and a 1-by-3 vector or one of the CIE standard illuminants listed in the following table.

Value	White Point
<code>'a'</code>	CIE standard illuminant A, [1.0985, 1.0000, 0.3558]. Simulates typical, domestic, tungsten-filament lighting with correlated color temperature of 2856 K.
<code>'c'</code>	CIE standard illuminant C, [0.9807, 1.0000, 1.1822]. Simulates average or north sky daylight with correlated color temperature of 6774 K. Deprecated by CIE.
<code>'e'</code>	Equal-energy radiator, [1.000, 1.000, 1.000]. Useful as a theoretical reference.

Value	White Point
'd50'	CIE standard illuminant D50, [0.9642, 1.0000, 0.8251]. Simulates warm daylight at sunrise or sunset with correlated color temperature of 5003 K. Also known as horizon light.
'd55'	CIE standard illuminant D55, [0.9568, 1.0000, 0.9214]. Simulates mid-morning or mid-afternoon daylight with correlated color temperature of 5500 K.
'd65'	CIE standard illuminant D65, [0.9504, 1.0000, 1.0888]. Simulates noon daylight with correlated color temperature of 6504 K.
'icc'	Profile Connection Space (PCS) illuminant used in ICC profiles. Approximation of [0.9642, 1.000, 0.8249] using fixed-point, signed, 32-bit numbers with 16 fractional bits. Actual value: [31595, 32768, 27030]/32768.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `char`

OutputType — Data type of returned RGB values

`'double'` | `'single'` | `'uint8'` | `'uint16'`

Data type of returned RGB values, specified as one of the following values: `'double'`, `'single'`, `'uint8'`, or `'uint16'`. If you do not specify `OutputType`, the output type is the same type as the input.

Data Types: `char`

Output Arguments

rgb — Converted RGB color values

numeric array

Converted RGB color values, returned as a numeric array of the same shape as the input. The output type is the same as the input type unless you specify the `OutputType` parameter.

Tips

- If you specify the output RGB color space as `'linear-rgb'`, then the output values are linearized sRGB values. If instead you want the output color space to be linearized Adobe RGB (1998), then you can use the `rgb2lin` function.

For example, to convert CIE 1976 L*a*b* image LAB to linearized Adobe RGB (1998) color space, perform the conversion in two steps:

```
RGBadobe = lab2rgb(LAB, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');  
RGBlinadobe = rgb2lin(RGBadobe, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');
```

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `lab2rgb` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, all character vector input arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

`lab2xyz` | `rgb2lab` | `xyz2rgb`

Introduced in R2014b

lab2uint16

Convert L*a*b color values to uint16

Syntax

```
lab16 = lab2uint16(lab)
```

Description

lab16 = lab2uint16(lab) converts L*a*b* color values to type uint16.

Examples

Convert L*a*b* Color Values to uint16

This example shows how to convert L*a*b* color values from `double` to `uint16`.

Create a `double` vector specifying the color white in L*a*b* colorspace.

```
w = [100 0 0];
```

Convert the L*a*b* color value to `uint16`.

```
lab2uint16(w)
```

```
ans = 1x3 uint16 row vector
```

```
    65280    32768    32768
```


Input Arguments

lab — Color values to convert

m-by-3 matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array

Color values to convert, specified as a *m*-by-3 matrix of color values (one color per row), or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array. The input `lab` matrix must be real and nonsparse.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8`

Output Arguments

lab16 — Converted color values

numeric array

Converted color values, returned as a numeric array of same size as the input.

Data Types: `uint16`

Algorithms

The function converts the L*a*b* color values to type `uint16`. The Image Processing Toolbox software follows the convention that double-precision L*a*b* arrays contain 1976 CIE L*a*b* values. The L*a*b* arrays that are `uint8` or `uint16` follow the convention in the ICC profile specification (ICC.1:2001-4, www.color.org) for representing L*a*b* values as unsigned 8-bit or 16-bit integers. The ICC encoding convention is illustrated by these tables.

Value (L*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
0.0	0	0
100.0	255	65280
100.0 + (25500/65280)	None	65535

Value (a* or b*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
-128.0	0	0
0.0	128	32768

Value (a* or b*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
127.0	255	65280
127.0 + (255/256)	None	65535

See Also

[applycform](#) | [lab2double](#) | [lab2uint8](#) | [makecform](#) | [whitepoint](#) | [xyz2double](#) | [xyz2uint16](#)

Introduced before R2006a

lab2uint8

Convert L*a*b color values to uint8

Syntax

```
lab8 = lab2uint8(lab)
```

Description

`lab8 = lab2uint8(lab)` converts L*a*b* color values to type `uint8`.

Examples

Convert L*a*b* Color Values to uint8

This example shows how to convert L*a*b* color values from `double` to `uint8`.

Create a `double` vector specifying the color white in L*a*b* colorspace.

```
w = [100 0 0];
```

Convert the L*a*b* color value to `uint8`.

```
lab2uint8(w)
```

```
ans = 1x3 uint8 row vector
```

```
    255    128    128
```

Input Arguments

lab — Color values to convert

m-by-3 matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array

Color values to convert, specified as a *m*-by-3 matrix of color values (one color per row), or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array. The input `lab` matrix must be real and nonsparse.

Data Types: `double` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

lab8 — Converted color values

numeric array

Converted color values, returned as a numeric array of same size as the input.

Data Types: `uint8`

Algorithms

The function converts the L*a*b* color values to type `uint8`. The Image Processing Toolbox software follows the convention that double-precision L*a*b* arrays contain 1976 CIE L*a*b* values. The L*a*b* arrays that are `uint8` or `uint16` follow the convention in the ICC profile specification (ICC.1:2001-4, www.color.org) for representing L*a*b* values as unsigned 8-bit or 16-bit integers. The ICC encoding convention is illustrated by these tables.

Value (L*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
0.0	0	0
100.0	255	65280
100.0 + (25500/65280)	None	65535

Value (a* or b*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
-128.0	0	0
0.0	128	32768

Value (a* or b*)	uint8 Value	uint16 Value
127.0	255	65280
127.0 + (255/256)	None	65535

See Also

[applycform](#) | [lab2double](#) | [lab2uint16](#) | [makecform](#) | [whitepoint](#) | [xyz2double](#) | [xyz2uint16](#)

Introduced before R2006a

lab2xyz

Convert CIE 1976 L*a*b* to CIE 1931 XYZ

Syntax

```
xyz = lab2xyz(lab)
xyz = lab2xyz(lab,Name,Value)
```

Description

`xyz = lab2xyz(lab)` converts CIE 1976 L*a*b* values to CIE 1931 XYZ values (2° observer).

`xyz = lab2xyz(lab,Name,Value)` specifies additional options with one or more name-value pair arguments.

Examples

Convert L*a*b* Color to XYZ

Convert an L*a*b* color value to XYZ using the default reference white point, D65.

```
lab2xyz([50 10 -5])
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    0.1942    0.1842    0.2282
```

Convert L*a*b* Color to XYZ Specifying Whitepoint

Convert an L*a*b* color value to XYZ specifying the D50 whitepoint.

```
lab2xyz([50 10 -5], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    0.1970    0.1842    0.1729
```

Input Arguments

lab — Color values to convert

c-by-3 matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array | *m*-by-*n*-by-3-by-*f* image stack

Color values to convert, specified as a *c*-by-3 matrix of color values (one color per row), an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array, or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3-by-*f* image stack.

Data Types: single | double

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `lab2xyz([0.25 0.40 0.10], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')`

WhitePoint — Reference white point

'd65' (default) | 'a' | 'c' | 'e' | 'd50' | 'd55' | 'icc' | 1-by-3 vector

Reference white point, specified as a 1-by-3 vector or one of the CIE standard illuminants, listed in the following table.

Value	White Point
'a'	CIE standard illuminant A, [1.0985, 1.0000, 0.3558]. Simulates typical, domestic, tungsten-filament lighting with correlated color temperature of 2856 K.
'c'	CIE standard illuminant C, [0.9807, 1.0000, 1.1822]. Simulates average or north sky daylight with correlated color temperature of 6774 K. Deprecated by CIE.

Value	White Point
'e'	Equal-energy radiator, [1.000, 1.000, 1.000]. Useful as a theoretical reference.
'd50'	CIE standard illuminant D50, [0.9642, 1.0000, 0.8251]. Simulates warm daylight at sunrise or sunset with correlated color temperature of 5003 K. Also known as horizon light.
'd55'	CIE standard illuminant D55, [0.9568, 1.0000, 0.9214]. Simulates mid-morning or mid-afternoon daylight with correlated color temperature of 5500 K.
'd65'	CIE standard illuminant D65, [0.9504, 1.0000, 1.0888]. Simulates noon daylight with correlated color temperature of 6504 K.
'icc'	Profile Connection Space (PCS) illuminant used in ICC profiles. Approximation of [0.9642, 1.000, 0.8249] using fixed-point, signed, 32-bit numbers with 16 fractional bits. Actual value: [31595,32768, 27030]/32768.

Data Types: single | double | char

Output Arguments

xyz — Converted color values

numeric array

Converted color values, returned as a numeric array of the same shape and type as the input.

See Also

lab2rgb | rgb2xyz | xyz2lab

Introduced in R2014b

label2idx

Convert label matrix to cell array of linear indices

Syntax

```
pixelIndexList = label2idx(L)
```

Description

`pixelIndexList = label2idx(L)` converts the regions described by the label matrix `L` into the 1-by- n cell array of linear indices `pixelIndexList`.

Examples

Calculate Pixel Index List for Small Label Matrix

Create a small sample matrix containing three regions.

```
BW = logical([1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0
              1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0
              1 1 1 0 1 1 0 0
              1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0
              1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0
              1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0
              1 1 1 0 0 1 1 0
              1 1 1 0 0 0 0 0]);
```

Create a label matrix from this sample image.

```
L = bwlabel(BW)
```

```
L = 8×8
```

```
    1    1    1    0    0    0    0    0
    1    1    1    0    2    2    0    0
```

```
1   1   1   0   2   2   0   0
1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0
1   1   1   0   0   0   3   0
1   1   1   0   0   0   3   0
1   1   1   0   0   3   3   0
1   1   1   0   0   0   0   0
```

Get a linear index list of all the pixels in each region. The function returns a cell array with an element for each region it finds in the label matrix.

```
pixelIndexList = label2idx(L)
```

```
pixelIndexList = 1x3 cell array
    {24x1 double}    {4x1 double}    {4x1 double}
```

Examine one of the pixel index lists returned. For example, look at the second cell in the returned cell array. It contains the linear indices for all the pixels in the region labeled "2". The upper left corner of the region is pixel BW(2,5), which is the 34th pixel in linear indexing.

```
pixelIndexList{2}
```

```
ans = 4x1
```

```
34
35
42
43
```

Input Arguments

L — Label matrix

real, nonsparse, nonnegative, finite numeric N-D matrix

Label matrix, specified as a real, nonsparse, nonnegative, finite numeric N-D matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

pixelIndexList — Linear indices of pixels in regions

1-by-*n* cell array

Linear indices of pixels in regions, returned as a 1-by-*n* cell array. Each element of the output, `pixelIndexList{n}`, is a vector that contains all the linear indices in `L` where `L` is equal to `n`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `label2idx` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

See Also

`label2rgb` | `labelmatrix` | `superpixels`

Introduced in R2016a

label2rgb

Convert label matrix into RGB image

Syntax

```
RGB = label2rgb(L)
RGB = label2rgb(L, cmap)
RGB = label2rgb(L, cmap, zerocolor)
RGB = label2rgb(L, cmap, zerocolor, order)
```

Description

`RGB = label2rgb(L)` converts a label matrix, `L`, such as those returned by `labelmatrix`, `bwlabel`, `bwlabeln`, or `watershed`, into an RGB color image for the purpose of visualizing the labeled regions. The `label2rgb` function determines the color to assign to each object based on the number of objects in the label matrix. The `label2rgb` function picks colors from the entire range of the color map.

`RGB = label2rgb(L, cmap)` specifies the colormap `cmap` to be used in the RGB image.

`RGB = label2rgb(L, cmap, zerocolor)` specifies the RGB color of the background elements (pixels labeled 0).

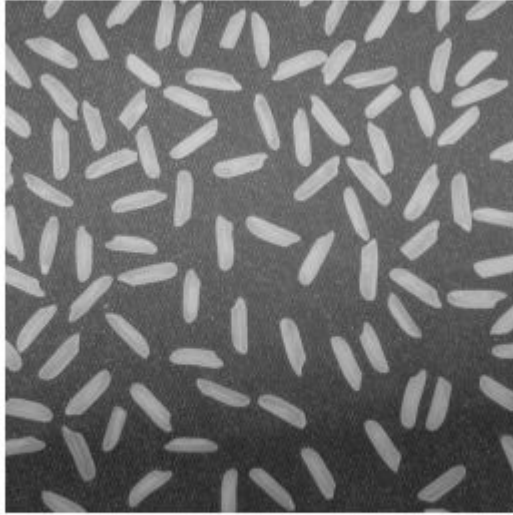
`RGB = label2rgb(L, cmap, zerocolor, order)` controls how `label2rgb` assigns colors to regions in the label matrix.

Examples

Use Color to Highlight Elements in Label Matrix

Read an image and display it.

```
I = imread('rice.png');
imshow(I)
```



Create a label matrix from the image.

```
BW = imbinarize(I);  
CC = bwconncomp(BW);  
L = labelmatrix(CC);
```

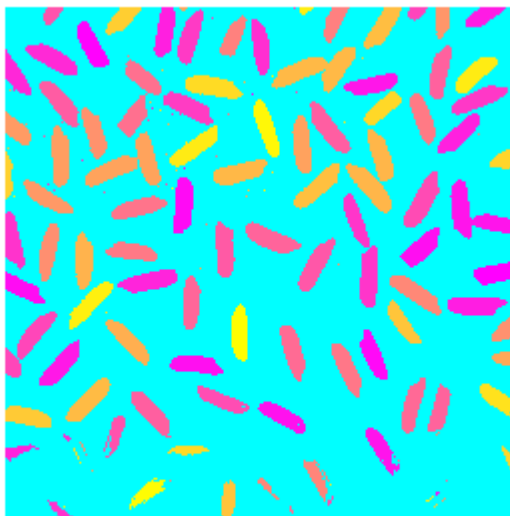
Convert the label matrix into RGB image, using default settings.

```
RGB = label2rgb(L);  
figure  
imshow(RGB)
```



Convert the label matrix into an RGB image, specifying optional parameters. This example uses the 'spring' colormap, sets background pixels to the color cyan, and randomizes how colors are assigned to the labels.

```
RGB2 = label2rgb(L, 'spring', 'c', 'shuffle');  
figure  
imshow(RGB2)
```



Input Arguments

L — Label matrix

m-by-*n* matrix of nonnegative integers

Label matrix of contiguous regions, specified as an *m*-by-*n* matrix of nonnegative integers. Pixels labeled 0 are the background. Pixels labeled 1 make up one object; pixels labeled 2 make up a second object; and so on.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

cmap — Color map

'jet' (default) | *c*-by-3 matrix | colormap function | handle

Color map, specified as one of the following.

Value	Description
<i>c</i> -by-3 matrix of data type <code>double</code>	Color map matrix specifying <i>c</i> colors, each as an RGB triple. <i>c</i> must be greater than or equal to the number of labels, <i>numlabels</i> , in label matrix <i>L</i> . You can compute the number of labels as <code>numlabels = max(L(:))</code> . If <i>c</i> is greater than <i>numlabels</i> , then <code>label2rgb</code> creates the RGB image using only the first <i>numlabels</i> rows in the matrix.
<code>colormap</code> function	Name of a MATLAB colormap function, such as <code>'jet'</code> or <code>'gray'</code> . See <code>colormap</code> for a list of supported colormaps.
<code>colormap</code> handle	Handle of a colormap function, such as <code>@jet</code> or <code>@gray</code> .

zerocolor — Color map

`[1 1 1]` (white) (default) | 3-element vector | `'b'` | `'c'` | `'g'`

Label matrix of contiguous regions, specified as a 3-element vector representing an RGB triple, or one of the following color abbreviations.

Value	Color
<code>'b'</code>	Blue
<code>'c'</code>	Cyan
<code>'g'</code>	Green
<code>'k'</code>	Black
<code>'m'</code>	Magenta
<code>'r'</code>	Red
<code>'w'</code>	White
<code>'y'</code>	Yellow

order — Color order

`'noshuffle'` (default) | `'shuffle'`

Color order, specified as `'noshuffle'` or `'shuffle'`. The `'noshuffle'` order arranges colormap colors to label matrix regions in numerical order. The `'shuffle'` order assigns colormap colors pseudorandomly.

Output Arguments

RGB — RGB image

m-by-*n*-by-3 numeric matrix

RGB image, returned as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric matrix.

Data Types: `uint8`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `label2rgb` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, for best results when using the standard syntax `RGB = label2rgb(L, cmap, zerocolor, order)`:
 - Submit at least two input arguments: the label matrix, `L`, and the colormap matrix, `cmap`.
 - `cmap` must be a *c*-by-3 matrix of data type `double`. You cannot specify the name of a MATLAB colormap function or a function handle of a colormap function.
 - If you set the background color `zerocolor` to the same color as one of the regions, then `label2rgb` will not issue a warning.
 - If you supply a value for `order`, then it must be `'noshuffle'`.

See Also

`bwconncomp` | `bwlabel` | `bwlabeln` | `colormap` | `ismember` | `labelmatrix` | `watershed`

Introduced before R2006a

labelmatrix

Create label matrix from `bwconncomp` structure

Syntax

```
L = labelmatrix(CC)
```

Description

`L = labelmatrix(CC)` creates a label matrix, `L`, from the connected components structure `CC` returned by `bwconncomp`.

`labelmatrix` is more memory efficient than `bwlabel` and `bwlabeln` because it returns its label matrix in the smallest numeric class necessary for the number of objects.

Examples

Calculate connected components and display results

Read binary image into the workspace.

```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Calculate the connected components, using `bwconncomp`.

```
CC = bwconncomp(BW);
```

Create a label matrix, using `labelmatrix`.

```
L = labelmatrix(CC);
```

For comparison, create a second label matrix, using `bwlabel`.

```
L2 = bwlabel(BW);
```

View both label matrices in the workspace. Note that `labelmatrix` is more memory efficient than `bwlabel`, using the smallest numeric class necessary for the number of objects.

```
whos L L2
```

Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
L	256x256	65536	uint8	
L2	256x256	524288	double	

Display the label matrix as an RGB image, using `label2rgb`.

```
figure  
imshow(label2rgb(L));
```

**The term watershed
refers to a ridge that ...**

**... divides areas
drained by different
river systems.**

Input Arguments

CC — Connected components

struct

Connected components, specified as a structure with four fields.

Field	Description
Connectivity	Connectivity of the connected components (objects)
ImageSize	Size of the binary image
NumObjects	Number of connected components (objects) in the binary image.
PixelIdxList	1-by-NumObjects cell array where the k -th element in the cell array is a vector containing the linear indices of the pixels in the k -th object.

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

matrix of nonnegative integers

Label matrix of contiguous regions, returned as matrix of nonnegative integers. The pixels labeled 0 are the background. The pixels labeled 1 make up one object; the pixels labeled 2 make up a second object; and so on.

The size of L is CC.ImageSize. The class of L depends on CC.NumObjects, as shown in the table.

Class	Range
'uint8'	$CC.NumObjects \leq 255$
'uint16'	$256 \leq CC.NumObjects \leq 65535$
'uint32'	$65536 \leq CC.NumObjects \leq 2^{32} - 1$
'double'	$CC.NumObjects \geq 2^{32}$

Data Types: double | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

See Also

`bwconncomp` | `bwlabel` | `bwlabeln` | `label2rgb` | `regionprops`

Introduced in R2009a

labeloverlay

Overlay label matrix regions on 2-D image

Syntax

```
B = labeloverlay(A,L)
B = labeloverlay(A,BW)
B = labeloverlay(A,C)
B = labeloverlay( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = labeloverlay(A,L)` fuses the input image, `A`, with a different color for each nonzero label in label matrix `L`. The `labeloverlay` function does not fuse background pixels (labeled `0`) with a color.

`B = labeloverlay(A,BW)` fuses the input image with a color where mask `BW` is `true`. The `labeloverlay` function does not fuse background pixels (labeled `false`) with a color.

`B = labeloverlay(A,C)` fuses the input image with a different color for each label in categorical matrix `C`. The `labeloverlay` function does not fuse pixels of the `<undefined>` category with a color.

`B = labeloverlay(____,Name,Value)` computes the fused overlay image, `B`, using `Name,Value` pairs to control aspects of the computation.

Examples

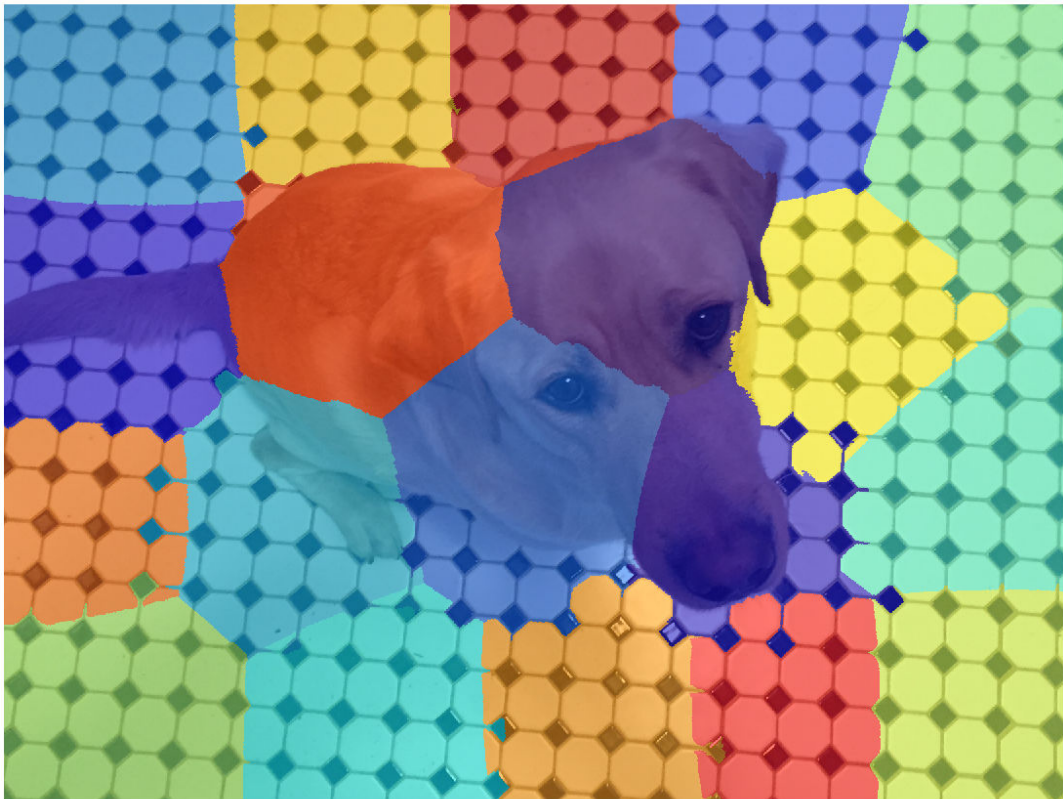
Visualize Segmentation over Color Image

Read an image, then segment it using superpixels.

```
A = imread('kobi.png');  
[L,N] = superpixels(A,20);
```

Fuse the segmentation results with the original image. Display the fused image.

```
B = labeloverlay(A,L);  
imshow(B)
```



Visualize Binary Mask over Grayscale Image

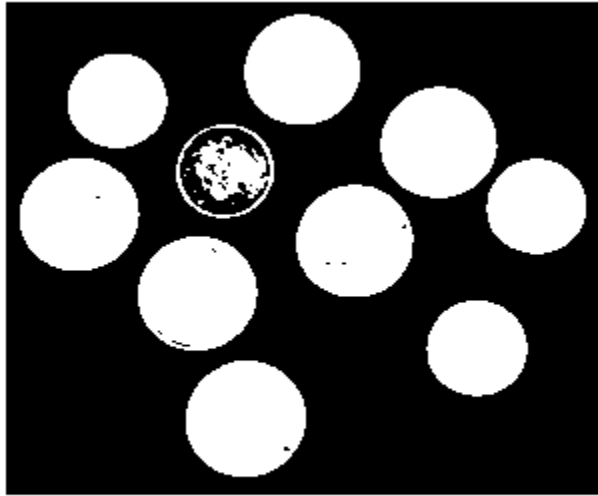
Read a grayscale image and display it.

```
A = imread('coins.png');  
imshow(A)
```



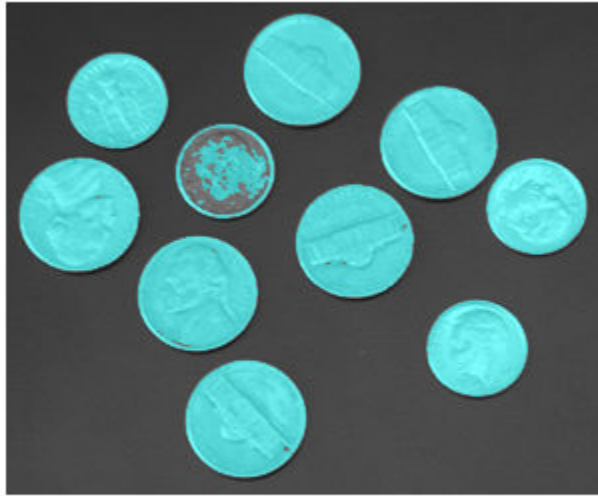
Create a mask using binary thresholding.

```
t = graythresh(A);  
BW = imbinarize(A,t);  
imshow(BW)
```



Fuse the mask with the original image. Display the fused image.

```
B = labeloverlay(A,BW);  
imshow(B)
```



Visualize Categorical Labels over Image

Read a grayscale image and create a mask using binary thresholding.

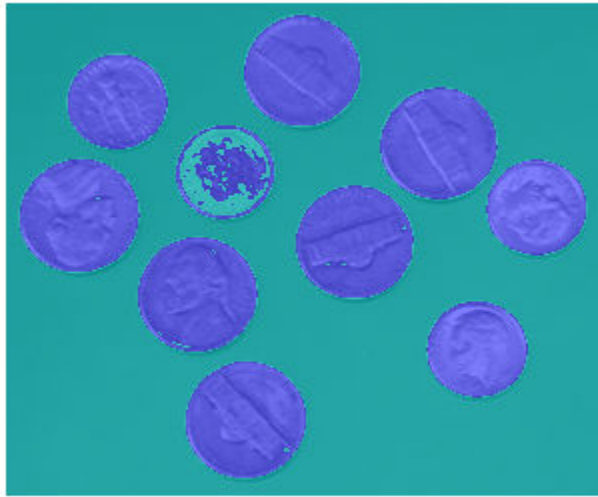
```
A = imread('coins.png');  
t = graythresh(A);  
BW = imbinarize(A,t);
```

Create categorical labels based on the image contents.

```
stringArray = repmat("table",size(BW));  
stringArray(BW) = "coin";  
categoricalSegmentation = categorical(stringArray);
```

Fuse the categorical segmentation with the original image. Display the fused image.

```
B = labeloverlay(A,categoricalSegmentation);  
imshow(B)
```



Fuse the original image with only one label from the categorical segmentation. Change the colormap and make the labels more opaque, and display the result.

```
C = labeloverlay(A,categoricalSegmentation,'IncludedLabels',"coin",...  
                'Colormap','autumn','Transparency',0.25);  
imshow(C)
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D color image

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale or color image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

L — Labels

matrix of nonnegative integers

Labels, specified as a matrix of nonnegative integers.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

BW — Mask

logical matrix

Mask, specified as a logical matrix.

Data Types: `logical`

C — Category labels

categorical matrix

Category labels, specified as a `categorical` matrix.

Data Types: `categorical`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `labeloverlay(myImage, myLabels, 'Colormap', 'hot')` displays labels in colors from the 'hot' color map.

Colormap — Color map

'jet' (default) | *l*-by-3 color map | string | character vector

Color map, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Colormap' and one of these values:

- An *l*-by-3 color map. RGB triplets in each row of the color map must be normalized to the range [0, 1]. *l* is the number of labels in label matrix *L*, binary mask *BW*, or categorical matrix *C*.
- A string or character vector corresponding to one of the valid inputs to the `colormap` function. `labeloverlay` permutes the specified color map so that adjacent labels are more distinct.

Example: `[0.2, 0.1, 0.5; 0.1, 0.5, 0.8]`

Example: `'hot'`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `char` | `string`

IncludedLabels — Labels to display

integer | vector of integers | string | vector of strings

Labels to display in the fused image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'IncludedLabels' and one of the following:

- An integer, or vector of integers, in the range $[1, \max(L(:))]$. By default, `labeloverlay` displays all nonzero labels.
- A string, or vector of strings, corresponding to labels in categorical matrix `C`. By default, `labeloverlay` displays all defined categorical labels.

Example: `[1,3,4]`

Example: `["flower","stem"]`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `string`

Transparency — Transparency

`0.5` (default) | number in the range $[0, 1]$

Transparency of displayed labels, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Transparency' and a number in the range $[0, 1]$.

- A value of `0` makes the colored labels completely opaque.
- A value of `1` makes the colored labels completely transparent.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

B — Fused image

numeric matrix

Fused image, returned as a numeric matrix of the same size as `A`.

Data Types: `uint8`

See Also

`imoverlay` | `imshowpair` | `superpixels`

Topics

“Semantic Segmentation Basics” (Computer Vision Toolbox)

Introduced in R2017b

labelvolshow

Display labeled volume

Description

Display labeled volumetric data, creating a `labelvolshow` object with properties that control the appearance of the display. You can embed the intensity volume with the labeled volume and display both volumes at once.

Creation

Syntax

```
labelvolshow(L)  
labelvolshow(L,V)  
labelvolshow( ____,Name,Value)  
h = labelvolshow( ____ )
```

Description

`labelvolshow(L)` displays 3-D labeled volume `L` in a figure.

`labelvolshow(L,V)` displays 3-D labeled volume `L` and 3-D intensity volume `V` in a figure. `L` and `V` must be the same size.

`labelvolshow(____,Name,Value)` displays volumes, using one or more name-value pairs to set `labelvolshow` properties that control visualization of the volumes. For a list of these properties, see “Properties” on page 1-2324. Enclose each property in single quotes. For example, `'BackgroundColor'`.

`h = labelvolshow(____)` returns a `labelvolshow` object, `h`, with properties that can be used to control visualization of the volumes. Use input arguments from any of the previous syntaxes.

Input Arguments

L — Labeled volume

3-D numeric array

Labeled volume, specified as a 3-D numeric array (*m-by-n-by-p*).

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `categorical`

V — Intensity volume

3-D numeric array

Intensity volume, specified as a 3-D numeric array (*m-by-n-by-p*).

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

Properties

BackgroundColor — Color of background

[0.3 0.75 0.93] (default) | RGB triplet | color name | short color name

Color of the background, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec`. The intensities must be in the range [0, 1].

CameraPosition — Location of camera

[4 4 2.5] (default) | three-element vector

Location of the camera, or the viewpoint, specified as a three-element vector of the form [x y z]. This vector defines the axes coordinates of the camera location, which is the point from which you view the axes. The camera is oriented along the view axis, which is a straight line that connects the camera position and the camera target. Changing the `CameraPosition` property changes the point from which you view the volume. For an illustration, see “Camera Graphics Terminology” (MATLAB). Interactively rotating the volume modifies the value of this property.

CameraUpVector — Vector defining upwards direction

[0 0 1] (default) | three-element vector

Vector defining upwards direction, specified as a three-element vector of the form [x y z]. By default, `labelvolshow` defines the z-axis as the up direction ([0 0 1]). For an

illustration, see “Camera Graphics Terminology” (MATLAB). Interactively rotating the volume modifies the value of this property.

CameraTarget — Point used as camera target

`[0 0 0]` (default) | three-element vector

Point used as the camera target, specified as a three-element vector of the form $[x \ y \ z]$. The camera is oriented along the view axis, which is a straight line that connects the camera position and the camera target. For an illustration, see “Camera Graphics Terminology” (MATLAB).

CameraViewAngle — Field of view

15 (default) | numeric scalar

Field of view, specified as a scalar angle greater than or equal to 0 and less than 180 . The greater the angle, the larger the field of view. Also, with bigger angles, objects appear smaller in the scene. For an illustration, see “Camera Graphics Terminology” (MATLAB).

InteractionsEnabled — Interactivity of volume

`true` (default) | `false`

Interactivity of the volume, specified as `true` (1) or `false` (0). When `true` (default), you can zoom in and out on the labeled volume using the mouse scroll wheel, and rotate the volume by clicking and dragging. Rotation and zoom are performed about the value specified by `CameraTarget`. When this value is `false`, you cannot interact with the volume.

LabelColor — Color of labels

random colormap (default) | *numLabels*-by-3 numeric array

Color of labels, specified as a *numLabels*-by-3 numeric array with values in the range $[0 \ 1]$. *numLabels* represents the number of labels in the labeled volume.

LabelOpacity — Opacity of labels

`true` for all labels except `Label 0` (default) | *numLabels*-by-1 numeric vector

Opacity of labels, specified as a *numLabels*-by-1 numeric vector with values in the range $[0 \ 1]$. *numLabels* represents the number of labels in the labeled volume. `LabelOpacity` is not supported when embedding volumes together.

LabelsPresent — List of label values

numLabels-by-1 numeric array

This property is read-only.

List of label values, specified as a *numLabels*-by-1 numeric array. *numLabels* represents the number of labels in the labeled volume.

LabelVisibility — Visibility of labels

`true` for all labels except `Label 0` (default) | *numLabels*-by-1 logical mask

Visibility of labels, specified as a *numLabels*-by-1 logical mask. *numLabels* represents the number of labels in the labeled volume.

Parent — Parent of labelvolshow object

`gcf` (default) | `uipanel` | `figure`

Parent of the `labelvolshow` object, specified as a handle to a `uipanel` or `figure`. If you do not specify a parent, the parent of the `labelvolshow` object is `gcf`.

ScaleFactors — Scale factors used to rescale volume

`[1 1 1]` (default) | 1-by-3 positive numeric vector

Scale factors used to rescale volumes, specified as a 1-by-3 positive numeric vector. The values in the array correspond to the scale factor applied in the x-, y-, and z-direction.

ShowIntensityVolume — Display intensity volume

`true` | `false`

Display intensity volume, specified as `true` (1) or `false` (0). When the value is `true`, the function displays both the labeled volume and the intensity volume. When the value is `false`, the function only displays the labeled volume. The default is `true` when the `labelvolshow` object contains both a labeled volume and an intensity volume. The default is `false` when the object contains only a labeled volume.

VolumeOpacity — Opacity of volume

`0.5` (default) | scalar in the range `[0 1]`

Opacity of volume, specified as a scalar in the range `[0 1]`. This value defines the opacity of volume data when both labeled and intensity volumes are embedded together. All the embedded volume intensities above the `VolumeThreshold` value have the opacity of `VolumeOpacity`.

VolumeThreshold — Threshold of volume intensities

`0.4` (default) | normalized numeric scalar

Threshold of volume intensities, specified as a normalized numeric scalar in the range [0 1]. All the volume intensities below this threshold value have an opacity of 0.

Object Functions

setVolume Set new labelvolshow object

Examples

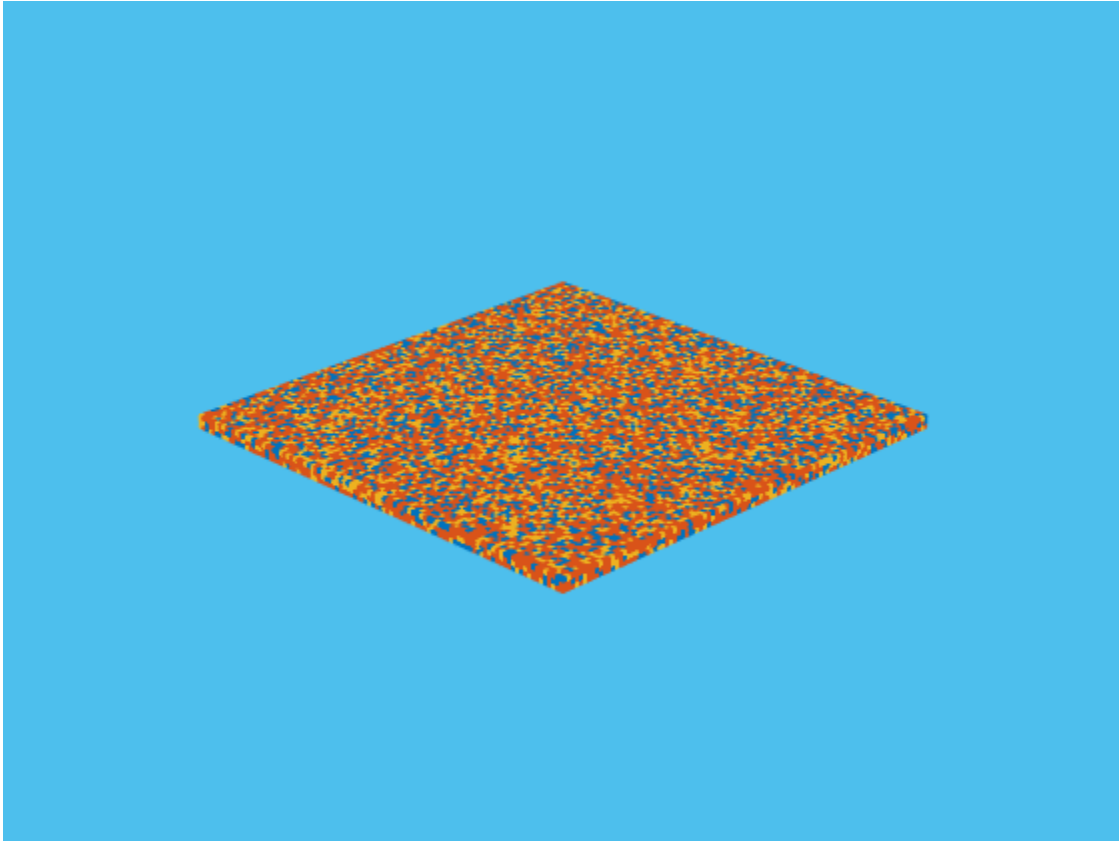
View Labeled Volume With and Without Intensity Volume

Create a synthetic volume and categorize the values to create a labeled volume.

```
vol = rand(100,100,3);  
labeledVol = discretize(vol,[0 .25 .75 1], 'categorical', ...  
    {'small', 'medium', 'large'});
```

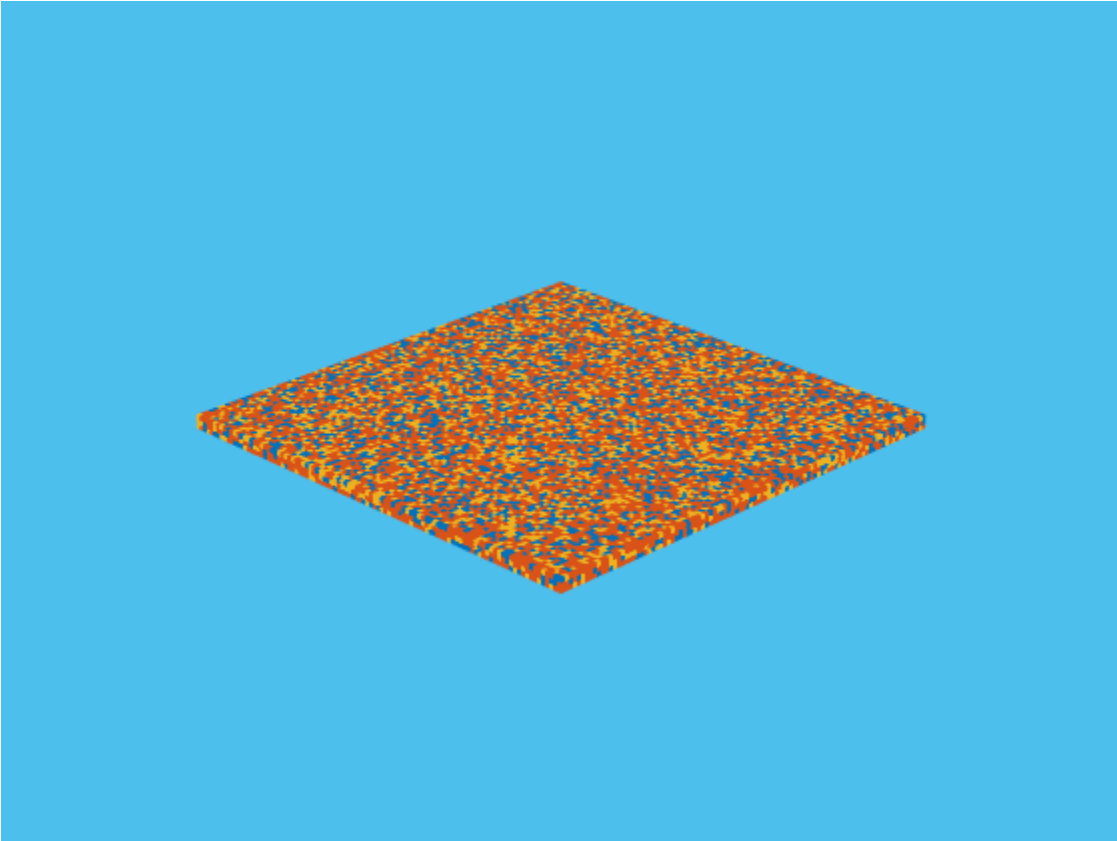
View the labeled volume and the intensity volume.

```
h = labelvolshow(labeledVol,vol);
```



Hide the intensity volume.

```
h.ShowIntensityVolume = false;
```



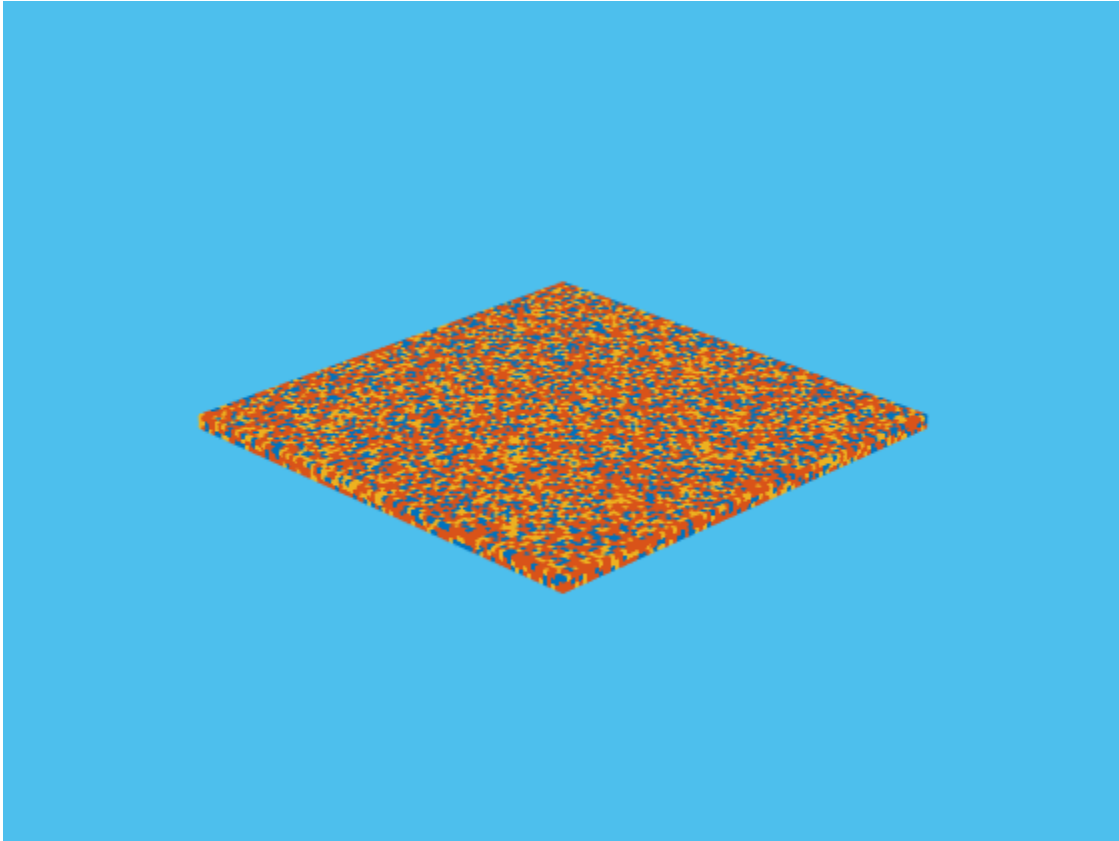
View Labeled Volume and Change Color and Opacity

Create a synthetic volume and categorize the values to create a labeled volume.

```
vol = rand(100,100,3);  
labeledVol = discretize(vol,[0 .25 .75 1], 'categorical', ...  
    {'small', 'medium', 'large'});
```

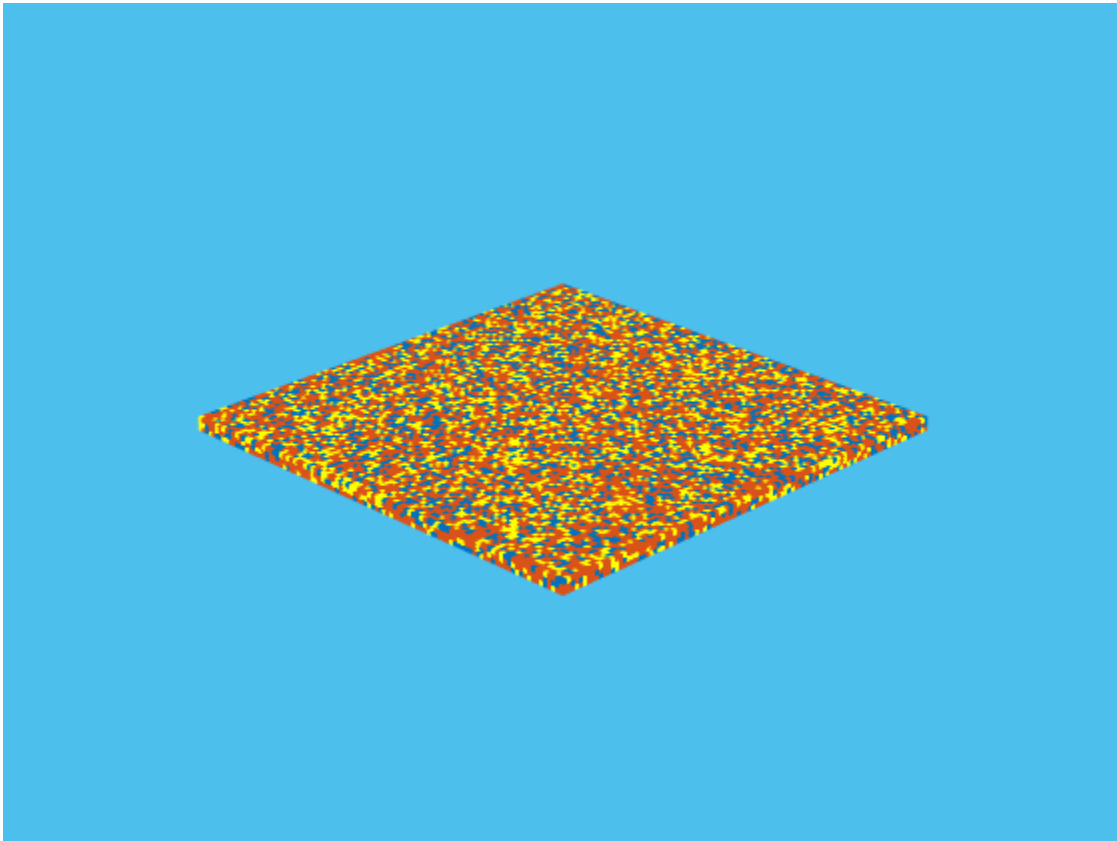
Display the labeled volume.

```
h = labelvolshow(labeledVol, vol);
```



Change the color and opacity.

```
h.LabelColor(end,:) = [1 1 0];  
h.LabelOpacity(2) = 0.1;
```

See Also

Volume Viewer | `slice` | `volshow`

Introduced in R2019a

setVolume

Set new `labelvolshow` object

Syntax

```
setVolume(hLabelVol,L)  
setVolume(hLabelVol,L,V)
```

Description

`setVolume(hLabelVol,L)` updates the `labelvolshow` object `hLabelVol` with a new labeled volume `L`. `setVolume` preserves the current viewpoint and other visualization settings remain unchanged, but the label properties are set to their respective defaults.

`setVolume(hLabelVol,L,V)` updates the `labelvolshow` object `hLabelVol` with a new labeled volume `L` and a new intensity volume `V`.

Examples

Change Labeled Volume in `labelvolshow` Object

Load an intensity volume and an associated labeled volume into the workspace.

```
load(fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata','BrainMRILabeled','images','vol_001.mat'))  
load(fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata','BrainMRILabeled','labels','label_001.mat'))
```

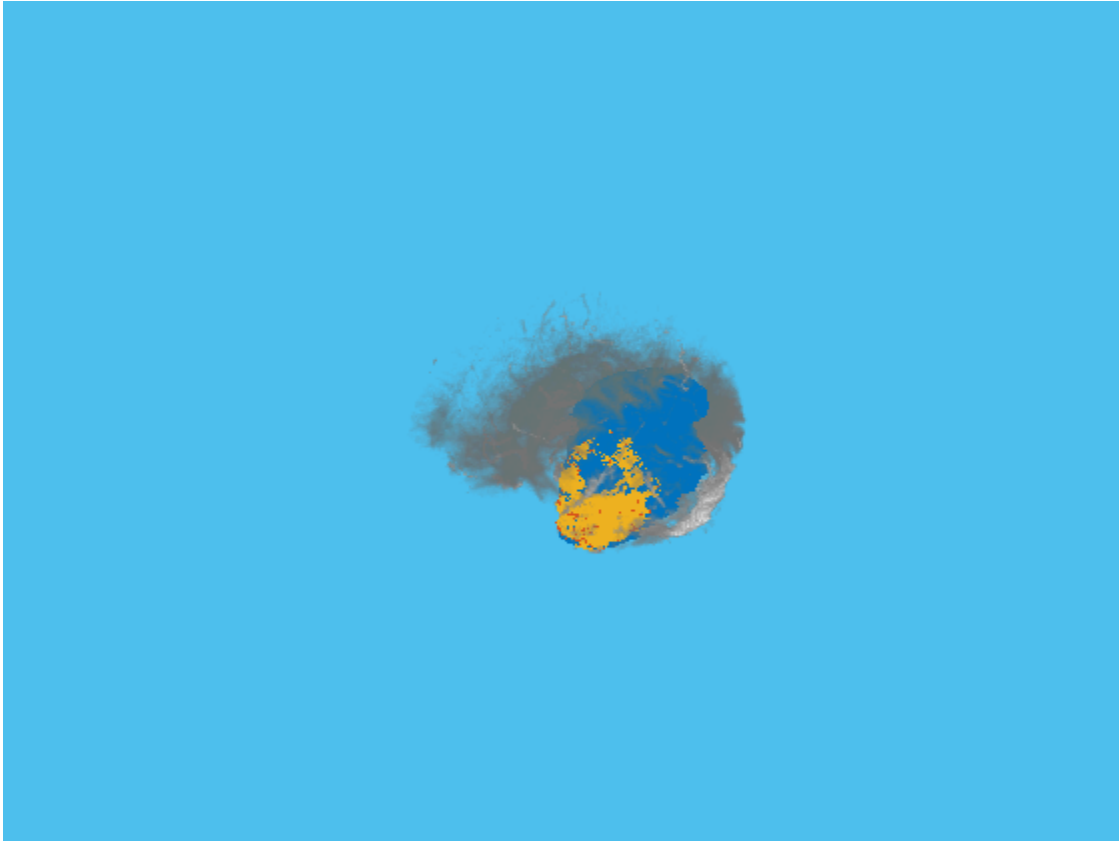
Display the labeled volume along with an intensity volume.

```
hVol = labelvolshow(label,vol)
```

```
hVol =
```

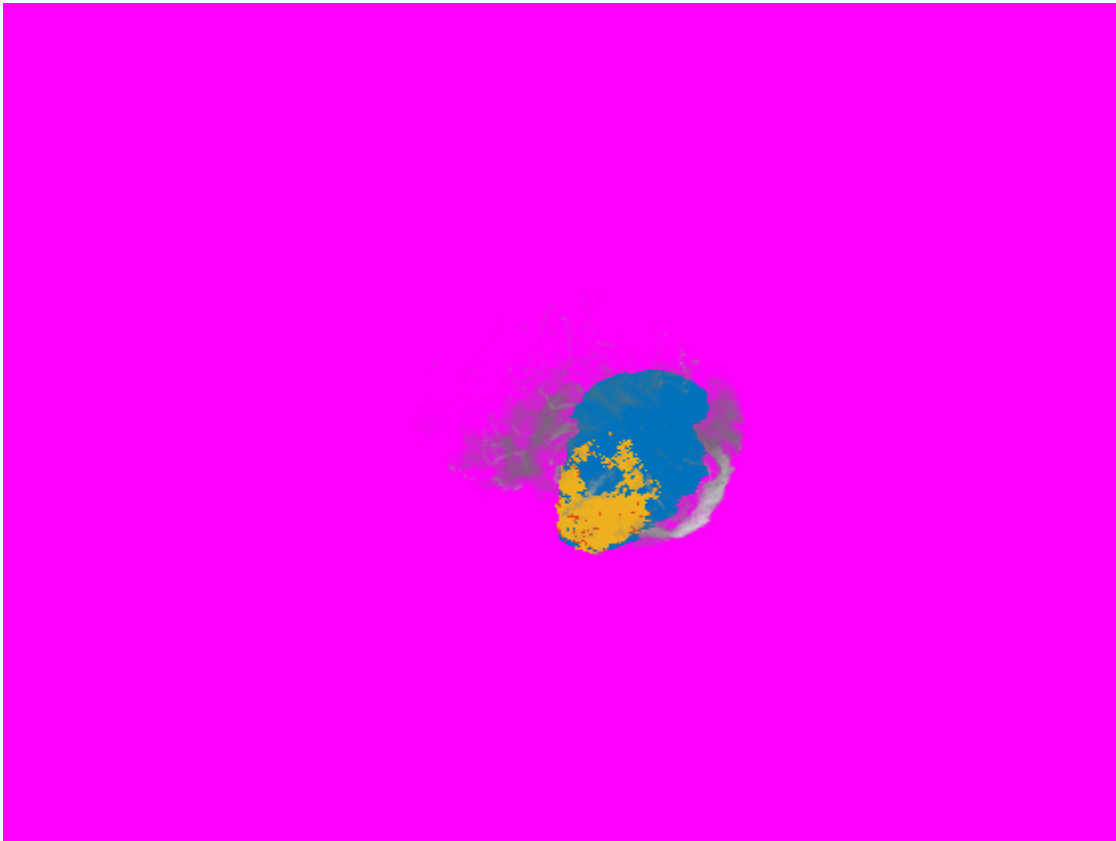
```
labelvolshow with properties:
```

```
    Parent: [1x1 Panel]
    CameraPosition: [4 4 2.5000]
    CameraUpVector: [0 0 1]
    CameraTarget: [0 0 0]
    CameraViewAngle: 15
    BackgroundColor: [0.3000 0.7500 0.9300]
ShowIntensityVolume: 1
    LabelColor: [4x3 double]
    LabelOpacity: [4x1 double]
    LabelVisibility: [4x1 logical]
    VolumeOpacity: 0.5000
    VolumeThreshold: 0.3922
    ScaleFactors: [1 1 1]
InteractionsEnabled: 1
    LabelsPresent: [4x1 uint8]
```



Change some rendering properties.

```
hVol.VolumeOpacity = 0.2;  
hVol.BackgroundColor = 'magenta';
```

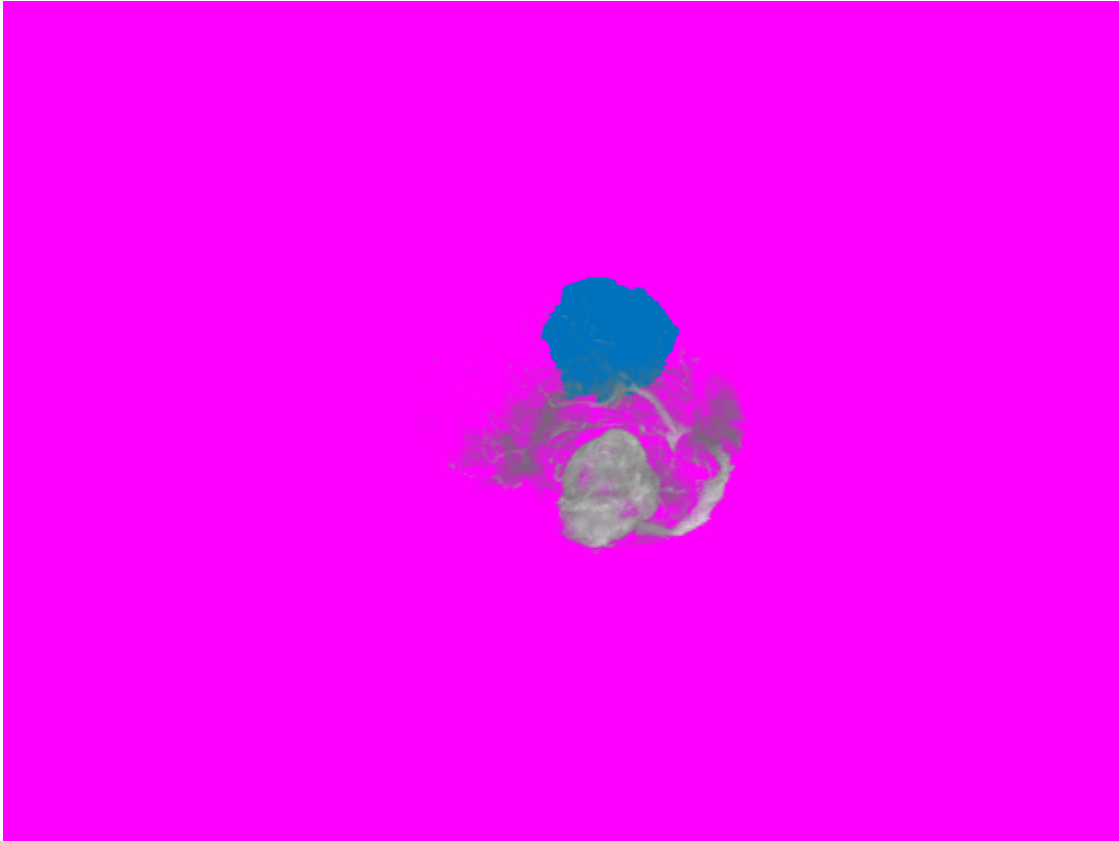


Load another labeled volume into the workspace.

```
data = load(fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata','BrainMRILabeled','labels','label_001.mat'));  
newLabelVol = data.label;
```

Change the volume in the `labelvolshow` object `hVol`. Note how `labelvolshow` preserves your rendering settings.

```
setVolume(hVol,newLabelVol)
```



Input Arguments

hLabelVol — Labeled volume object

labelvolshow object

Labeled volume object, specified as a labelvolshow object.

L — Labeled volumetric data

3-D labeled volume

Labeled volumetric data, specified as a 3-D labeled volume.

V — Volumetric data

3-D grayscale volume

Volumetric data, specified as a 3-D grayscale volume.

See Also

labelvolshow

Introduced in R2019a

lazysnapping

Segment image into foreground and background using graph-based segmentation

Syntax

```
BW = lazysnapping(I,L,foremask,backmask)
```

```
BW = lazysnapping(I,L,foreind,backind)
```

```
BW = lazysnapping( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`BW = lazysnapping(I,L,foremask,backmask)` segments the image or volume `I` into foreground and background regions using lazy snapping. The label matrix `L` specifies the subregions of the image. `foremask` and `backmask` are masks designating pixels in the image as foreground and background, respectively.

`BW = lazysnapping(I,L,foreind,backind)` segments the image or volume `I` into foreground and background regions. `foreind` and `backind` specify the linear indices of the pixels in the image marked as foreground and background, respectively.

`BW = lazysnapping(____,Name,Value)` segments the image or volume using name-value pairs to control aspects of the segmentation.

Examples

Segment Image into Foreground and Background

Read an image into the workspace.

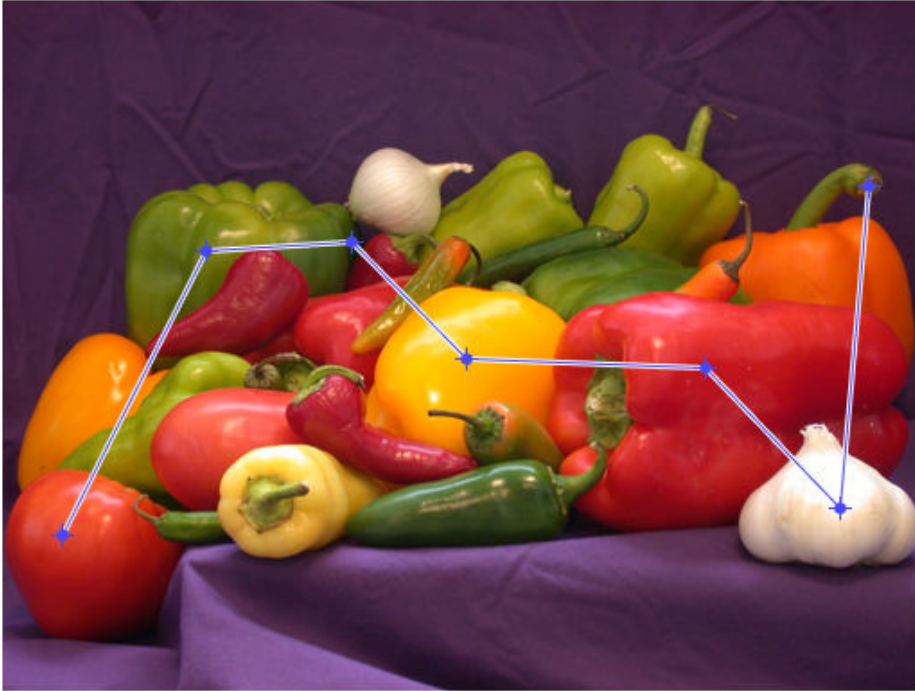
```
RGB = imread('peppers.png');
```

Mark locations on image as foreground.

```
figure;  
imshow(RGB)
```



```
h1 = impoly(gca,[34,298;114,140;195,135;...
    259,200;392,205;467,283;483,104], 'Closed', false);
```



Convert the locations into linear indices.

```
foresub = getPosition(h1);
foregroundInd = sub2ind(size(RGB),foresub(:,2),foresub(:,1));
```

Mark locations on image as background.

```
figure;
imshow(RGB)
h2 = impoly(gca,[130,52;170,32], 'Closed', false);
```



Convert the locations into linear indices.

```
backsub = getPosition(h2);  
backgroundInd = sub2ind(size(RGB),backsub(:,2),backsub(:,1));
```

Generate label matrix.

```
L = superpixels(RGB,500);
```

Perform lazy snapping.

```
BW = lazysnapping(RGB,L,foregroundInd,backgroundInd);
```

Create masked image.

```
maskedImage = RGB;  
maskedImage(repmat(~BW,[1 1 3])) = 0;  
figure;  
imshow(maskedImage)
```



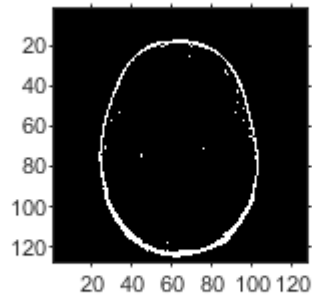
Segment Volume in Foreground and Background

Load 3-D volumetric image into the workspace.

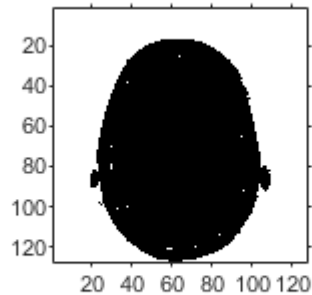
```
D = load('mri.mat');  
V = squeeze(D.D);
```

Create a 2-D mask identifying initial foreground and background seed points.

```
seedLevel = 10;  
fseed = V(:,:,seedLevel) > 75;  
bseed = V(:,:,seedLevel) == 0;  
figure;  
imshow(fseed)
```



```
figure;  
imshow(bseed)
```



Place seed points into empty 3-D mask.

```
fmask = zeros(size(V));  
bmask = fmask;  
fmask(:,:,seedLevel) = fseed;  
bmask(:,:,seedLevel) = bseed;
```

Generate a 3-D label matrix.

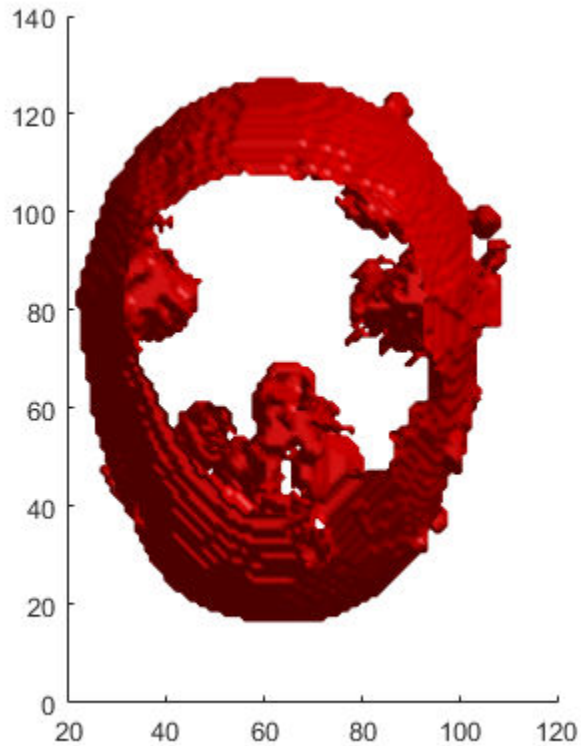
```
L = superpixels3(V,500);
```

Segment the image into foreground and background using Lazy Snapping.

```
bw = lazysnapping(V,L,fmask,bmask);
```

Display the 3-D segmented image.

```
figure;  
p = patch(isosurface(double(bw)));  
p.FaceColor = 'red';  
p.EdgeColor = 'none';  
daspect([1 1 27/128]);  
camlight; lighting phong
```



Input Arguments

I — Input image

numeric array

Input image, specified as a numeric array in one of these formats.

Image Type	Data Format
2-D grayscale image	2-D matrix of size h -by- w

Image Type	Data Format
2-D color image	3-D array of size h -by- w -by-3
2-D multispectral image with c channels	3-D array of size h -by- w -by- c
3-D volumetric grayscale image with depth d	3-D array of size h -by- w -by- d

lazysnapping expects pixel values of data type `double` and `single` to be in the range $[0, 1]$. You can use the `rescale` function to adjust pixel values to the expected range. lazysnapping expects pixel values of data type `uint16`, `int16`, and `uint8` to be the full range for the given data type. If the values do not match the expected range, scale the image to the expected range or adjust `EdgeWeightScaleFactor` to improve results.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

L — Label matrix

numeric array

Label matrix of the input image or volume, specified as numeric array. For 2-D images, L is a 2-D array of size h -by- w . For 3-D volumes, L is a 3-D array of size h -by- w -by- d .

Do not mark a given subregion of the label matrix as belonging to both the foreground mask and the background mask. If a region of the label matrix contains pixels belonging to both the foreground mask and background mask, then lazysnapping segments the region as background.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

foremask — Mask image that defines the foreground

logical array

Mask image that defines the foreground, specified as a logical array. For 2-D images, `foremask` is a 2-D array of size h -by- w . For 3-D volumes, `foremask` is a 3-D array of size h -by- w -by- d .

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

backmask — Mask image that defines the background

logical array

Mask image that defines the background, specified as a logical array. For 2-D images, `backmask` is a 2-D array of size h -by- w . For 3-D volumes, `backmask` is a 3-D array of size h -by- w -by- d .

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

foreind — Linear index of foreground pixels

vector of positive integers

Linear index of pixels in the label matrix, specified as a vector of positive integers. You can use an ROI drawing tool, such as `drawpolyline`, to select points in the foreground. Then, convert the coordinates of the points to linear indices using `sub2ind`. If the coordinates are non-integer values, then round the values before converting to linear indices.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

backind — Linear index of background pixels

vector of positive integers

Linear index of pixels that define the background, specified as a vector of positive integers. You can use an ROI drawing tool, such as `drawpolyline`, to select points in the background. Then, convert the coordinates of the points to linear indices using `sub2ind`. If the coordinates are non-integer values, then round the values before converting to linear indices.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

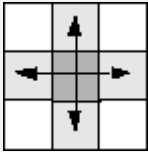
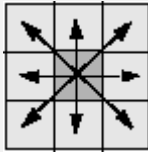
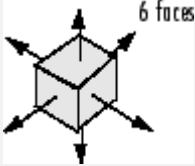
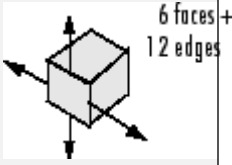
Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.


Example: `'Connectivity', 18`

Connectivity — Connectivity of connected components

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Connectivity of connected components, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected along the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	
18-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	

Value	Meaning	
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. Two adjoining pixels are part of the same object if they are both on and are connected in</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

EdgeWeightScaleFactor — Scale factor for edge weights between the subregions of the label matrix

500 (default) | positive scalar

Scale factor for edge weights between the subregions of the label matrix, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'EdgeWeightScaleFactor' and a positive scalar. Typical values range from [10, 1000]. Increasing this value increases the likelihood that `lazysnapping` labels neighboring subregions together as either foreground or background.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

BW — Segmented image

numeric array

Segmented image, returned as a numeric array of the same size as the label matrix, L.

Algorithms

The Lazy Snapping algorithm developed by Li et al. clusters foreground and background values using the K-means method. This implementation of the Lazy Snapping algorithm does not cluster similar foreground or background pixels. To improve performance, reduce the number of pixels with similar values that are identified as foreground or background.

References

- [1] Y. Li, S. Jian, C. Tang, H. Shum. *Lazy Snapping*. In Proceedings from the 31st International Conference on Computer Graphics and Interactive Techniques, 2004.

See Also

Image Segmenter

Topics

“Segmentation Using Graph Cut in Image Segmenter”

Introduced in R2017a

lin2rgb

Apply gamma correction to linear RGB values

Syntax

```
B = lin2rgb(A)
B = lin2rgb(A,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = lin2rgb(A)` applies a gamma correction to the linear RGB values in image `A` so that `B` is in the sRGB color space, which is suitable for display.

`B = lin2rgb(A,Name,Value)` applies gamma correction using name-value pairs to control additional options.

Examples

Plot Gamma Curve of sRGB and Adobe RGB

Define a range of linear values. This vector defines 257 equally spaced points between 0 and 1.

```
lin = linspace(0,1,257);
```

Apply gamma correction to the linear values based on the sRGB standard. Then apply gamma correction to the linear values based on the Adobe RGB (1998) standard.

```
sRGB = lin2rgb(lin);
adobeRGB = lin2rgb(lin, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');
```

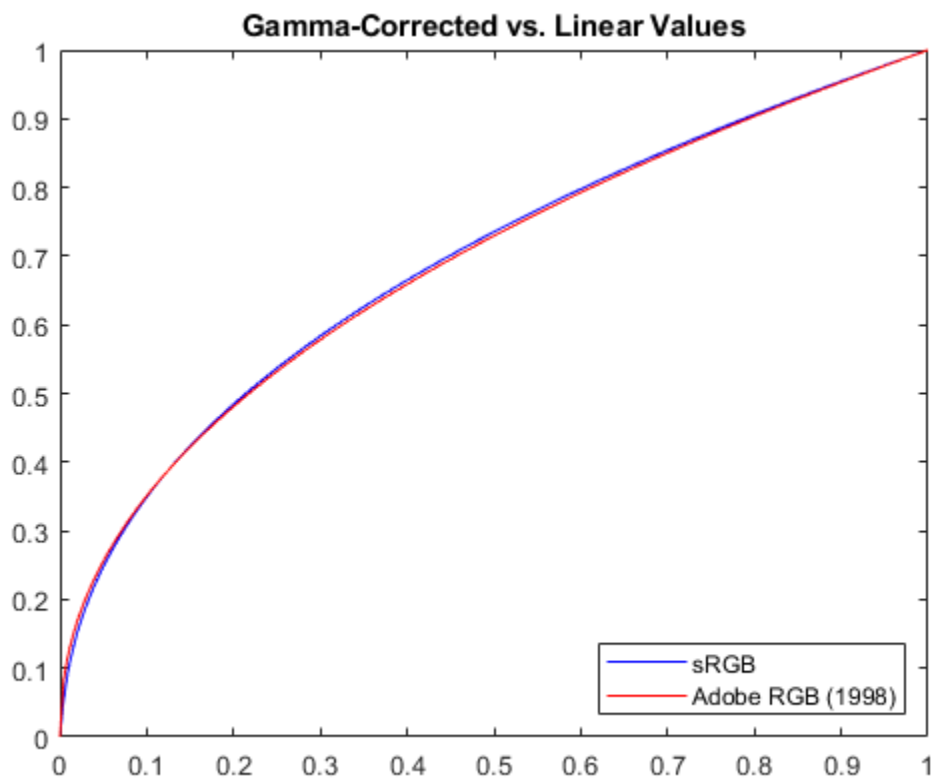
Plot the gamma-corrected curves.

```
figure
plot(lin,sRGB,'b',lin,adobeRGB,'r')
```

```

title('Gamma-Corrected vs. Linear Values')
legend('sRGB', 'Adobe RGB (1998)', 'Location', 'southeast')

```



For an alternative visualization, plot color bars representing each color space.

```

cb_lin = ones(30,257) .* lin;
cb_sRGB = ones(30,257) .* sRGB;
cb_adobeRGB = ones(30,257) .* adobeRGB;

```

```

figure
subplot(3,1,1); imshow(cb_lin); title('Linear RGB')
subplot(3,1,2); imshow(cb_sRGB); title('sRGB');
subplot(3,1,3); imshow(cb_adobeRGB); title('Adobe RGB (1998)');

```

Linear RGB



sRGB



Adobe RGB (1998)



The gamma-corrected color spaces get brighter more quickly than the linear color space, as expected.

Apply sRGB Gamma Correction to Linear RGB Image

Open an image file containing minimally processed linear RGB intensities.

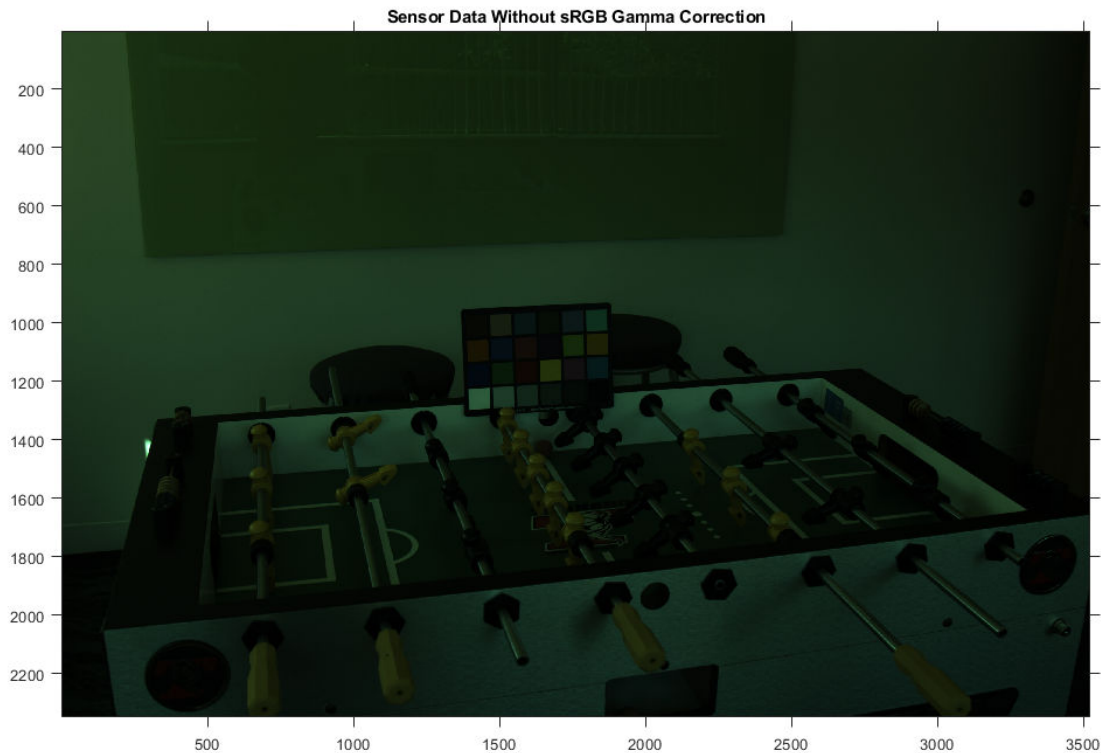
```
A = imread('foosballraw.tiff');
```

The image data is the raw sensor data after correcting the black level and scaling to 16 bits per pixel. Interpolate the intensities to reconstruct color by using the `demosaic` function. The color filter array pattern is RGGB.

```
A_demosaiced = demosaic(A, 'rggb');
```

Display the image. To shrink the image so that it appears fully on the screen, set the optional initial magnification to a value less than 100.

```
figure
imshow(A_demosaiced, 'InitialMagnification', 25)
title('Sensor Data Without sRGB Gamma Correction')
```

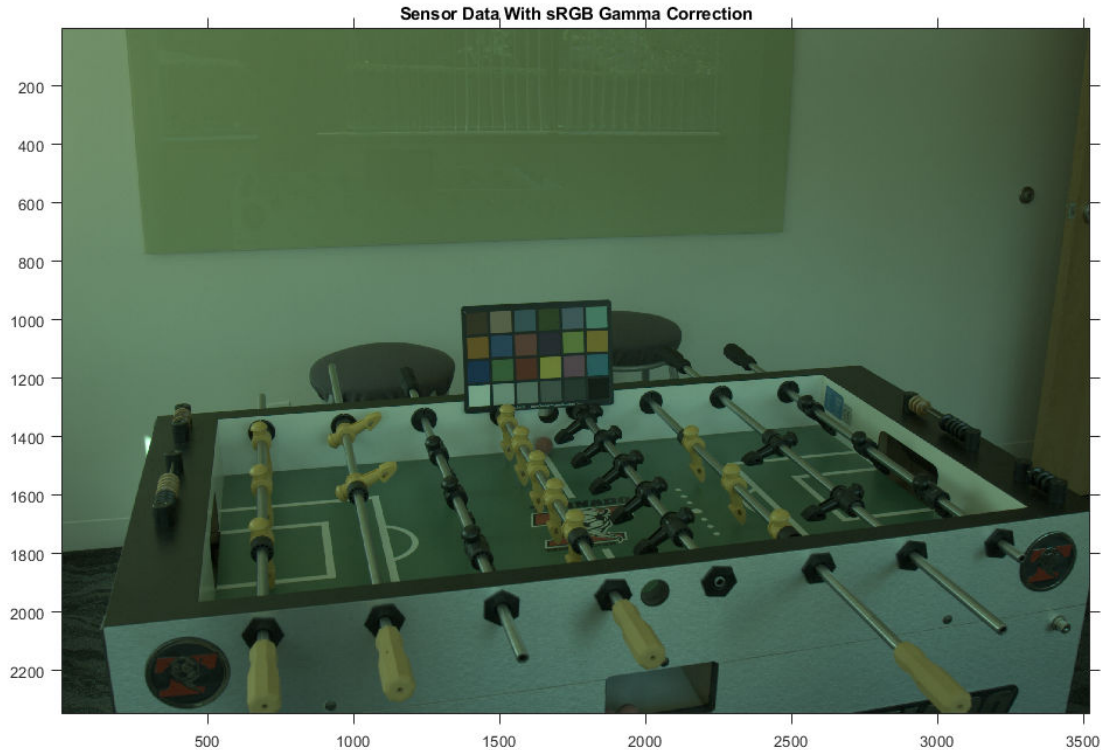


The image appears dark because it is in the linear RGB color space. Apply gamma correction to the image according to the sRGB standard, storing the values in double precision.

```
A_sRGB = lin2rgb(A_demosaiced, 'OutputType', 'double');
```

Display the gamma-corrected image, setting the optional magnification.

```
figure
imshow(A_sRGB,'InitialMagnification',25)
title('Sensor Data With sRGB Gamma Correction');
```



The gamma-corrected image looks brighter than the linear image, as expected.

Input Arguments

A — Linear RGB color values

numeric array

Linear RGB color values, specified as a numeric array in one of the following formats.

- *c*-by-3 colormap. Each row specifies one RGB color value.
- *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image
- *m*-by-*n*-by-3-by-*p* stack of images

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = lin2rgb(I, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998')` applies gamma correction to an image, `I`, according to the Adobe RGB (1998) standard.

ColorSpace — Color space of the output image

'srgb' (default) | 'adobe-rgb-1998'

Color space of the output image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ColorSpace' and 'srgb' or 'adobe-rgb-1998'.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

OutputType — Data type of output RGB values

'double' | 'single' | 'uint8' | 'uint16'

Data type of the output RGB values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'OutputType' and 'double', 'single', 'uint8', or 'uint16'. By default, the output data type is the same as the data type of `A`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

B — Gamma-corrected RGB image

numeric array

Gamma-corrected RGB image, returned as a numeric array of the same size as the input `A`.

Algorithms

Gamma Correction Using the sRGB Standard

The gamma correction to transform linear RGB tristimulus values into sRGB tristimulus values is defined by the following parametric curve:

$$f(u) = -f(-u), \quad u < 0$$

$$f(u) = c \cdot u, \quad 0 \leq u < d$$

$$f(u) = a \cdot u^\gamma + b, \quad u \geq d,$$

where u represents a color value with these parameters:

$$a = 1.055$$

$$b = -0.055$$

$$c = 12.92$$

$$d = 0.0031308$$

$$\gamma = 1/2.4$$

Gamma Correction Using the Adobe RGB (1998) Standard

The gamma correction to transform linear RGB tristimulus values into Adobe RGB (1998) tristimulus values uses a simple power function:

$$v = u^\gamma, \quad u \geq 0$$

$$v = -(-u)^\gamma, \quad u < 0,$$

with

$$\gamma = 1/2.19921875$$

References

- [1] Ebner, Marc. "Gamma Correction." *Color Constancy*. Chichester, West Sussex: John Wiley & Sons, 2007.
- [2] Adobe Systems Incorporated. "Inverting the color component transfer function." *Adobe RGB (1998) Color Image Encoding*. Section 4.3.5.2, May 2005, p.12.

See Also

rgb2lin

Introduced in R2017b

localcontrast

Edge-aware local contrast manipulation of images

Syntax

```
B = localcontrast(A)
B = localcontrast(A,edgeThreshold,amount)
```

Description

`B = localcontrast(A)` enhances the local contrast of the grayscale or RGB image `A`.

`B = localcontrast(A,edgeThreshold,amount)` enhances or flattens the local contrast of `A` by increasing or smoothing details while leaving strong edges unchanged. `edgeThreshold` defines the minimum intensity amplitude of strong edges to leave intact. `amount` is the amount of enhancement or smoothing desired.

Examples

Increase or Reduce Local Contrast of Image

Import an RGB image.

```
A = imread('peppers.png');
```

Increase the local contrast of the input image.

```
edgeThreshold = 0.4;
amount = 0.5;
B = localcontrast(A, edgeThreshold, amount);
```

Display the results compared to the original image

```
imshowpair(A, B, 'montage')
```



Reduce the local contrast of the input image.

```
amount = -0.5;  
B2 = localcontrast(A, edgeThreshold, amount);
```

Display the new results again, compared to the original image.

```
imshowpair(A, B2, 'montage')
```



Input Arguments

A — Grayscale or RGB image to be filtered

real, non-sparse, m -by- n or m -by- n -by-3 matrix

Grayscale or RGB image to be filtered, specified as a real, non-sparse, m -by- n or m -by- n -by-3 matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

edgeThreshold — Amplitude of strong edges to leave intact

0.3 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]

Amplitude of strong edges to leave intact, specified as a numeric scalar in the range [0, 1].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

amount — Amount of enhancement or smoothing desired

0.25 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [-1, 1]

Amount of enhancement or smoothing desired, specified as a numeric scalar in the range [-1, 1]. Negative values specify edge-aware smoothing. Positive values specify edge-aware enhancement.

Value	Description
0	Leave input image unchanged.
1	Strongly enhance the local contrast of the input image
-1	Strongly smooth the details of the input image

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array the same size and class as the input image.

See Also

`imadjust` | `imcontrast` | `imsharpen` | `locallapfilt`

Introduced in R2016b

locallapfilt

Fast local Laplacian filtering of images

Syntax

```
B = locallapfilt(I,sigma,alpha)
B = locallapfilt(I,sigma,alpha,beta)
B = locallapfilt( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = locallapfilt(I,sigma,alpha)` filters the grayscale or RGB image `I` with an edge-aware, fast local Laplacian filter. `sigma` characterizes the amplitude of edges in `I`. `alpha` controls smoothing of details.

`B = locallapfilt(I,sigma,alpha,beta)` filters the image using `beta` to control the dynamic range of `A`.

`B = locallapfilt(____,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control advanced aspects of the filter. Argument names can be abbreviated.

Examples

Increase Local Contrast of RGB Image Using Local Laplacian Filtering

Import an RGB image

```
A = imread('peppers.png');
```

Set parameters of the filter to increase details smaller than 0.4.

```
sigma = 0.4;
alpha = 0.5;
```

Use fast local Laplacian filtering


```
B = locallapfilt(A, sigma, alpha);
```

Display the original and filtered images side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(A, B, 'montage')
```



Increase Local Contrast, Balancing Speed and Quality

Local Laplacian filtering is a computationally intensive algorithm. To speed up processing, `locallapfilt` approximates the algorithm by discretizing the intensity range into a number of samples defined by the `'NumIntensityLevels'` parameter. This parameter can be used to balance speed and quality.

Import an RGB image and display it.

```
A = imread('peppers.png');  
figure  
imshow(A)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Use a `sigma` value to process the details and an `alpha` value to increase the contrast, effectively enhancing the local contrast of the image.

```
sigma = 0.2;  
alpha = 0.3;
```

Using fewer samples increases the execution speed, but can produce visible artifacts, especially in areas of flat contrast. Time the function using only 20 intensity levels.

```
t_speed = timeit(@() localapfilt(A, sigma, alpha, 'NumIntensityLevels', 20))  
t_speed = 0.1934
```

Now, process the image and display it.

```
B_speed = locallapfilt(A, sigma, alpha, 'NumIntensityLevels', 20);  
figure  
imshow(B_speed)  
title(['Enhanced with 20 intensity levels in ' num2str(t_speed) ' sec'])
```

Enhanced with 20 intensity levels in 0.19344 sec



A larger number of samples yields better looking results at the expense of more processing time. Time the function using 100 intensity levels.

```
t_quality = timeit(@() locallapfilt(A, sigma, alpha, 'NumIntensityLevels', 100))  
t_quality = 0.8754
```

Process the image with 100 intensity levels and display it:

```
B_quality = locallapfilt(A, sigma, alpha, 'NumIntensityLevels', 100);  
figure  
imshow(B_quality)  
title(['Enhancement with 100 intensity levels in ' num2str(t_quality) ' sec'])
```

Enhancement with 100 intensity levels in 0.87535 sec



Try varying the number of intensity levels on your own images. Try also flattening the contrast (with $\alpha > 1$). You will see that the optimal number of intensity levels is different for every image and varies with α . By default, `locallapfilt` uses a heuristic to balance speed and quality, but it cannot predict the best value for every image.

Boost Local Color Contrast Using 'ColorMode'

Import a color image, reduce its size, and display it.

```
A = imread('car2.jpg');  
A = imresize(A, 0.25);  
figure  
imshow(A)  
title('Original Image')
```



Set the parameters of the filter to dramatically increase details smaller than 0.3 (out of a normalized range of 0 to 1).

```
sigma = 0.3;  
alpha = 0.1;
```

Let's compare the two different modes of color filtering. Process the image by filtering its intensity and by filtering each color channel separately:

```
B_luminance = locallapfilt(A, sigma, alpha);  
B_separate = locallapfilt(A, sigma, alpha, 'ColorMode', 'separate');
```

Display the filtered images.

```
figure  
imshow(B_luminance)  
title('Enhanced by boosting the local luminance contrast')
```



```
figure  
imshow(B_separate)  
title('Enhanced by boosting the local color contrast')
```



An equal amount of contrast enhancement has been applied to each image, but colors are more saturated when setting 'ColorMode' to 'separate'.

Perform Edge-Aware Noise Reduction

Import an image. Convert the image to floating point so that we can add artificial noise more easily.

```
A = imread('pout.tif');  
A = im2single(A);
```

Add Gaussian noise with zero mean and 0.001 variance.

```
A_noisy = imnoise(A, 'gaussian', 0, 0.001);
psnr_noisy = psnr(A_noisy, A);
fprintf('The peak signal-to-noise ratio of the noisy image is %0.4f\n', psnr_noisy);
```

The peak signal-to-noise ratio of the noisy image is 30.0234

Set the amplitude of the details to smooth, then set the amount of smoothing to apply.

```
sigma = 0.1;
alpha = 4.0;
```

Apply the edge-aware filter.

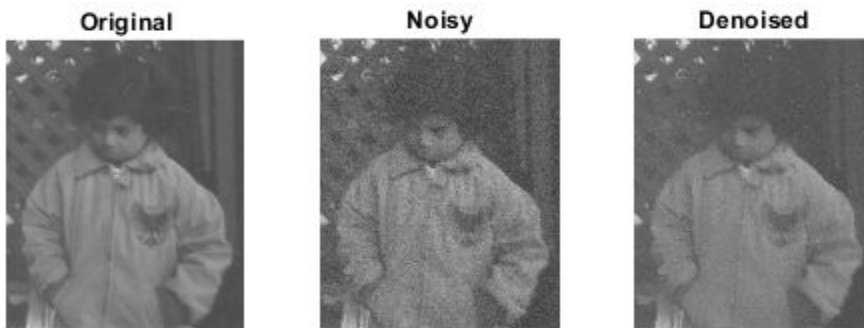
```
B = locallapfilt(A_noisy, sigma, alpha);
psnr_denoised = psnr(B, A);
fprintf('The peak signal-to-noise ratio of the denoised image is %0.4f\n', psnr_denoised);
```

The peak signal-to-noise ratio of the denoised image is 32.3065

Note an improvement in the PSNR of the image.

Display all three images side by side. Observe that details are smoothed and sharp intensity variations along edges are unchanged.

```
figure
subplot(1,3,1), imshow(A), title('Original')
subplot(1,3,2), imshow(A_noisy), title('Noisy')
subplot(1,3,3), imshow(B), title('Denoised')
```

Smooth Image Details Without Affecting Edge Sharpness

Import the image, resize it and display it

```
A = imread('car1.jpg');  
A = imresize(A, 0.25);  
figure  
imshow(A)  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



The car is dirty and covered in markings. Let's try to erase the dust and markings on the body. Set the amplitude of the details to smooth, and set a large amount of smoothing to apply.

```
sigma = 0.2;  
alpha = 5.0;
```

When smoothing ($\alpha > 1$), the filter produces high quality results with a small number of intensity levels. Set a small number of intensity levels to process the image faster.

```
numLevels = 16;
```

Apply the filter.

```
B = locallapfilt(A, sigma, alpha, 'NumIntensityLevels', numLevels);
```

Display the "clean" car.

```
figure  
imshow(B)  
title('After smoothing details')
```

After smoothing details



Input Arguments

I — Image to filter

2-D grayscale image | 2-D color image

Image to filter, specified as a 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n or a 2-D color image of size m -by- n -by-3.

Data Types: `single` | `int8` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

sigma — Amplitude of edges

non-negative scalar

Amplitude of edges, specified as a non-negative scalar. `sigma` should be in the range [0, 1] for integer images and for single images defined over the range [0, 1]. For single images defined over a different range [a, b], `sigma` should also be in the range [a, b].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

alpha — Smoothing of details

positive scalar

Smoothing of details, specified as a positive scalar. Typical values of `alpha` are in the range [0.01, 10].

Value	Description
<code>alpha</code> less than 1	Increases the details of the input image, effectively enhancing the local contrast of the image without affecting edges or introducing halos.
<code>alpha</code> greater than 1	Smooths details in the input image while preserving crisp edges
<code>alpha</code> equal to 1	The details of the input image are left unchanged.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

beta — Dynamic range

1 (default) | non-negative scalar

Dynamic range, specified as a non-negative scalar. Typical values of `beta` are in the range [0, 5]. `beta` affects the dynamic range of A.

Value	Description
beta less than 1	Reduces the amplitude of edges in the image, effectively compressing the dynamic range without affecting details.
beta greater than 1	Expands the dynamic range of the image.
beta equal to 1	Dynamic range of the image is left unchanged. This is the default value.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example:

ColorMode — Method used to filter RGB images

'luminance' (default) | 'separate'

Method used to filter RGB images, specified as one of the following values. This parameter has no effect on grayscale images.

Value	Description
'luminance'	<code>locallapfilt</code> converts the input RGB image to grayscale before filtering and reintroduces color after filtering, which changes the contrast of the input image without affecting colors.
'separate'	<code>locallapfilt</code> filters each color channel independently.

Data Types: char | string

NumIntensityLevels — Number of intensity samples in the dynamic range of the input image

'auto' (default) | positive integer

Number of intensity samples in the dynamic range of the input image, specified as 'auto' or positive integer. A higher number of samples gives results closer to exact local Laplacian filtering. A lower number increases the execution speed. Typical values are in the range [10, 100]. If set to 'auto', `locallapfilt` chooses the number of intensity levels automatically to balance quality and speed based on other parameters of the filter.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array the same size and class as the input image.

References

- [1] Paris, Sylvain, Samuel W. Hasinoff, and Jan Kautz. *Local Laplacian filters: edge-aware image processing with a Laplacian pyramid*, ACM Trans. Graph. 30.4 (2011): 68.
- [2] Aubry, Mathieu, et al. *Fast local laplacian filters: Theory and applications*. ACM Transactions on Graphics (TOG) 33.5 (2014): 167.

See Also

`localcontrast` | `localtonemap`

Introduced in R2016b

localtonemap

Render HDR image for viewing while enhancing local contrast

Syntax

```
rgb = localtonemap(hdr)  
rgb = localtonemap(hdr,Name,Value,...)
```

Description

`rgb = localtonemap(hdr)` converts the high dynamic range image `hdr` to a lower dynamic range image, `rgb`, suitable for display. `localtonemap` uses a process called tone mapping while preserving its local contrast.

`rgb = localtonemap(hdr,Name,Value,...)` performs tone mapping where parameters control various aspects of the operation. Parameter names can be abbreviated.

Examples

Compress Dynamic Range of HDR Image for Viewing

Load a high dynamic range image.

```
HDR = hdrread('office.hdr');
```

Apply local tone mapping with a small amount of dynamic range compression.

```
RGB = localtonemap(HDR, 'RangeCompression', 0.1);
```

Display the resulting tone-mapped image.

```
imshow(RGB)
```



Repeat the operation but, this time, accentuate the details in the image.

```
RGB = localtonemap(HDR, ...  
                  'RangeCompression', 0.1, ...  
                  'EnhanceContrast', 0.5);
```

Display the resulting tone-mapped image with increased details.

```
imshow(RGB)
```




Input Arguments

hdr — High dynamic range image

real, nonsparse, m -by- n or m -by- n -by-3 matrix

High dynamic range image, specified as a real, nonsparse, m -by- n or m -by- n -by-3 matrix of class single.

Data Types: single

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example:

RangeCompression — Amount of compression applied to the dynamic range of the HDR image

1 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [0,1]

Amount of compression applied to the dynamic range of the HDR image, specified as a numeric scalar in the range [0,1].

Value	Description
0	Minimum compression, which consists in only remapping the middle 99% intensities to a dynamic range of 100:1 followed by gamma correction with an exponent of 1/2.2.
1	Maximum compression using local Laplacian filtering.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

EnhanceContrast — Amount of local contrast enhancement applied

0 (default) | numeric scalar in the range [0,1]

Amount of local contrast enhancement applied, specified as a numeric scalar. Value must be in the range [0,1].

Value	Description
0	No change to local contrast
1	Maximum local contrast enhancement

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

rgb — Tone-mapped image

RGB image

Tone-mapped image, returned as an RGB image.

Algorithms

`localtonemap` uses local Laplacian filtering in logarithmic space to compress the dynamic range of HDR while preserving or enhancing its local contrast. The 99% middle intensities of the compressed image are then remapped to a fixed 100:1 dynamic range to give the output image a consistent look. `localtonemap` then applies gamma correction to produce the final image for display.

See Also

`locallapfilt` | `tonemap`

Introduced in R2016b

images.geotrans.LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D

2-D local weighted mean geometric transformation

Description

A `LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` object encapsulates a 2-D local weighted mean geometric transformation.

Creation

You can create a `LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` object using the following methods:

- The `fitgeotrans` function, which estimates a geometric transformation that maps pairs of control points between two images.
- The `images.geotrans.LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` described here. This function creates a `LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` object using coordinates of fixed points and moving points, and a specified number of points to use in the local weighted mean calculation.

Syntax

```
tform = images.geotrans.LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D(  
movingPoints, fixedPoints, n)
```

Description

`tform = images.geotrans.LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D(movingPoints, fixedPoints, n)` creates a `LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` object given control point coordinates in `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints`, which define matched control points in the moving and fixed images, respectively. The `n` closest points are used to infer a second degree polynomial transformation for each control point pair.

Input Arguments

movingPoints — *x- and y-coordinates of control points in the moving image*

m-by-2 matrix

x- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the moving image, specified as an *m*-by-2 matrix. The number of control points *m* must be greater than or equal to *n*.

Data Types: double | single

fixedPoints — *x- and y-coordinates of control points in the fixed image*

m-by-2 matrix

x- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the fixed image, specified as an *m*-by-2 matrix. The number of control points *m* must be greater than or equal to *n*.

Data Types: double | single

n — *Number of points to use in local weighted mean calculation*

numeric value

Number of points to use in local weighted mean calculation, specified as a numeric value. *n* can be as small as 6, but making *n* small risks generating ill-conditioned polynomials

Data Types: double | single | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | int8 | int16 | int32

Properties

Dimensionality — *Dimensionality of the geometric transformation*

2

Dimensionality of the geometric transformation for both input and output points, specified as the value 2.

Object Functions

outputLimits Find output spatial limits given input spatial limits
transformPointsInverse Apply inverse geometric transformation

Examples

Fit Set of Fixed and Moving Control Points Using Second Degree Polynomial

Fit a local weighted mean transformation to a set of fixed and moving control points that are actually related by a global second degree polynomial transformation across the entire plane.

Set up variables.

```
x = [10, 12, 17, 14, 7, 10];  
y = [8, 2, 6, 10, 20, 4];
```

```
a = [1 2 3 4 5 6];  
b = [2.3 3 4 5 6 7.5];
```

```
u = a(1) + a(2).*x + a(3).*y + a(4) .*x.*y + a(5).*x.^2 + a(6).*y.^2;  
v = b(1) + b(2).*x + b(3).*y + b(4) .*x.*y + b(5).*x.^2 + b(6).*y.^2;
```

```
movingPoints = [u',v'];  
fixedPoints = [x',y'];
```

Fit local weighted mean transformation to points.

```
tformLocalWeightedMean = images.geotrans.LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D(movingPoints,
```

Verify the fit of the `LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` object at the control points.

```
movingPointsComputed = transformPointsInverse(tformLocalWeightedMean, fixedPoints);
```

```
errorInFit = hypot(movingPointsComputed(:,1)-movingPoints(:,1), ...  
                  movingPointsComputed(:,2)-movingPoints(:,2))
```

Algorithms

The local weighted mean transformation infers a polynomial at each control point using neighboring control points. The mapping at any location depends on a weighted average of these polynomials. The n closest points are used to infer a second degree polynomial transformation for each control point pair. n can be as small as 6, but making it small risks generating ill-conditioned polynomials.

See Also

Functions

`cpselect` | `fitgeotrans` | `imwarp`

Objects

`PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` | `PolynomialTransformation2D` | `affine2d`
| `projective2d`

Introduced in R2013b

makecform

Create color transformation structure

The `makecform` function supports conversions between members of the family of device-independent color spaces defined by the *Commission Internationale de l'Éclairage* (International Commission on Illumination, or CIE). `makecform` also supports conversions to and from the *sRGB* and *CMYK* color spaces. To perform a color space transformation, pass the color transformation structure created by `makecform` as an argument to the `applycform` function.

Syntax

```
C = makecform(type)
C = makecform(type, 'WhitePoint', WP)
C = makecform(type, 'AdaptedWhitePoint', WP)
C = makecform('adapt', 'WhiteStart', WPS, 'WhiteEnd', WPE, 'AdaptModel',
model)

C = makecform('srgb2cmyk', 'RenderingIntent', intent)
C = makecform('cmyk2srgb', 'RenderingIntent', intent)

C = makecform('icc', src_profile, dest_profile)
C = makecform('icc', src_profile,
dest_profile, 'SourceRenderingIntent',
src_intent, 'DestRenderingIntent', dest_intent)

C = makecform('mattrc', MatTRC, 'Direction', direction)
C = makecform('mattrc', profile, 'Direction', direction)
C = makecform('mattrc', profile, 'Direction',
direction, 'RenderingIntent', trc_intent)
C = makecform('graytrc', profile, 'Direction', direction)
C = makecform('graytrc', profile, 'Direction',
direction, 'RenderingIntent', trc_intent)

C = makecform('clut', profile, LUTtype)
C = makecform('named', profile, space)
```


Description

`C = makecform(type)` creates a color transformation structure `C` that defines the color space conversion specified by `type`.

`C = makecform(type, 'WhitePoint', WP)` specifies the value of the reference white point, `WP`, for 'xyz2lab' or 'lab2xyz' conversions.

`C = makecform(type, 'AdaptedWhitePoint', WP)` specifies the adapted white point, `WP`, for 'srgb2lab', 'lab2srgb', 'srgb2xyz', or 'xyz2srgb' conversions.

`C = makecform('adapt', 'WhiteStart', WPS, 'WhiteEnd', WPE, 'AdaptModel', model)` creates a linear chromatic-adaptation color transformation using the chromatic-adaptation model, `model`, starting with whitepoint `WPS` and ending with whitepoint `WPE`.

`C = makecform('srgb2cmyk', 'RenderingIntent', intent)` and

`C = makecform('cmyk2srgb', 'RenderingIntent', intent)` specify the rendering intent for color transformations between sRGB IEC61966-2.1 and "Specifications for Web Offset Publications" (SWOP) CMYK.

`C = makecform('icc', src_profile, dest_profile)` creates a color transformation based on two ICC profiles, `src_profile` and `dest_profile`.

`C = makecform('icc', src_profile, dest_profile, 'SourceRenderingIntent', src_intent, 'DestRenderingIntent', dest_intent)` creates a color transformation based on two ICC color profiles, `src_profile` and `dest_profile`, specifying the rendering intent for the source and destination profiles.

`C = makecform('mattrc', MatTRC, 'Direction', direction)` creates a color transformation based on a Matrix/Tone Reproduction Curve (MatTRC) model, in either the forward or inverse direction.

`C = makecform('mattrc', profile, 'Direction', direction)` creates a color transformation based on the 'MatTRC' field of the ICC color profile `profile`, in either the forward or inverse direction.

`C = makecform('mattrc', profile, 'Direction', direction, 'RenderingIntent', trc_intent)` adds the option of specifying the rendering intent.

`C = makecform('graytrc',profile,'Direction',direction)` creates a monochrome transformation based on a single-channel Tone Reproduction Curve (GrayTRC) contained in an ICC color profile.

`C = makecform('graytrc',profile,'Direction',direction,'RenderingIntent',trc_intent)` adds the option of specifying the rendering intent.

`C = makecform('clut',profile,LUTtype)` creates a color transformation based on a color lookup table of the type `LUTtype`, contained in an ICC color profile, `profile`.

`C = makecform('named',profile,space)` creates a color transformation from a named color profile (with a `NamedColor2` field) to coordinates in the color space space.

Examples

Convert sRGB Image to L*a*b*

Convert RGB image to $L^*a^*b^*$, assuming input image is *sRGB*.

```
rgb = imread('peppers.png');  
cform = makecform('srgb2lab');  
lab = applycform(rgb,cform);
```

Convert RGB to XYZ

Convert from a non-standard RGB color profile to the device-independent XYZ profile connection space. Note that the ICC input profile must include a `MatTRC` value.

```
InputProfile = iccread('myRGB.icc');  
C = makecform('mattrc',InputProfile.MatTRC, ...  
             'direction','forward');
```

Input Arguments

type — Color space conversion type

'cmyk2srgb' | 'srgb2cmyk' | 'lab2xyz' | 'xyz2lab' | ...

Color space conversion type, specified as one of the following character vectors. For a list of the abbreviations used by the Image Processing Toolbox software for each color space, see “Definitions” on page 1-2394.

Type	Description
'cmyk2srgb'	Convert from the <i>CMYK</i> color space to the <i>sRGB</i> color space.
'lab2lch'	Convert from the $L^*a^*b^*$ to the L^*ch color space.
'lab2srgb'	Use <code>lab2rgb</code> instead.
'lab2xyz'	Use <code>lab2xyz</code> instead.
'lch2lab'	Convert from the L^*ch to the $L^*a^*b^*$ color space.
'srgb2cmyk'	Convert from the <i>sRGB</i> to the <i>CMYK</i> color space.
'srgb2lab'	Use <code>rgb2lab</code> instead.
'srgb2xyz'	Use <code>rgb2xyz</code> instead.
'upvpl2xyz'	Convert from the $u'v'L$ to the <i>XYZ</i> color space.
'uvl2xyz'	Convert from the uvL to the <i>XYZ</i> color space.
'xyl2xyz'	Convert from the xyY to the <i>XYZ</i> color space.
'xyz2lab'	Use <code>xyz2lab</code> instead.
'xyz2srgb'	Use <code>xyz2rgb</code> instead.
'xyz2upvpl'	Convert from the <i>XYZ</i> to the $u'v'L$ color space.
'xyz2uvl'	Convert from the <i>XYZ</i> to the uvL color space.
'xyz2xyl'	Convert from the <i>XYZ</i> to the xyY color space.

Data Types: char | string

WP — White point

[0.9642 1.0000 0.8249] (default) | 1-by-3 numeric vector

Reference or adapted white point, specified as a 1-by-3 numeric vector of *XYZ* values, scaled so that $Y = 1$. Use the `whitepoint` function to create the **WP** vector. The default white point is the vector returned by `whitepoint('ICC')`.

To get an adaptive whitepoint value that is consistent with some published *sRGB* equations, set the value of **WP** to [0.9504, 1.0000, 1.0888], which is the vector returned by `whitepoint('D65')`.

WPS, WPE — Starting or ending white point

1-by-3 numeric vector

Starting or ending white point used for a linear chromatic-adaptation transform, specified as a 1-by-3 numeric vector of XYZ values, scaled so that $Y = 1$. Use the `whitepoint` function to create the WPS or WPE vector.

intent — Rendering intent

'Perceptual' (default) | 'AbsoluteColorimetric' | 'RelativeColorimetric' | 'Saturation'

Rendering intent, specified as 'Perceptual', 'AbsoluteColorimetric', 'RelativeColorimetric', or 'Saturation'.

Rendering intents specify the style of reproduction that should be used when these profiles are combined. For most devices, the range of reproducible colors is much smaller than the range of colors represented by the PCS. Rendering intents define gamut mapping techniques. Each rendering intent has distinct aesthetic and color-accuracy trade-offs.

Value	Description
'AbsoluteColorimetric'	Maps all out-of-gamut colors to the nearest gamut surface while maintaining the relationship of all in-gamut colors. This absolute rendering contains color data that is relative to a perfectly reflecting diffuser.
'Perceptual' (default)	Employs vendor-specific gamut mapping techniques for optimizing the range of producible colors of a given device. The objective is to provide the most aesthetically pleasing result even though the relationship of the in-gamut colors might not be maintained. This media-relative rendering contains color data that is relative to the device's white point.
'RelativeColorimetric'	Maps all out-of-gamut colors to the nearest gamut surface while maintaining the relationship of all in-gamut colors. This media-relative rendering contains color data that is relative to the device's white point.

Value	Description
'Saturation'	Employs vendor-specific gamut mapping techniques for maximizing the saturation of device colors. This rendering is generally used for simple business graphics such as bar graphs and pie charts. This media-relative rendering contains color data that is relative to the device's white point.

src_intent, dest_intent — Source or destination rendering intent

'Perceptual' (default) | 'AbsoluteColorimetric' | 'RelativeColorimetric' | 'Saturation'

Source or destination rendering intent for a color transformation between two ICC profiles, specified as 'Perceptual', 'AbsoluteColorimetric', 'RelativeColorimetric', or 'Saturation'. For more information, see `intent`.

trc_intent — Rendering intent for tone reproduction curve

'RelativeColorimetric' (default) | 'AbsoluteColorimetric'

Rendering intent for tone reproduction curve (MatTRC or grayTRC), specified as 'RelativeColorimetric' or 'AbsoluteColorimetric'. When 'AbsoluteColorimetric' is specified, the colorimetry is referenced to a perfect diffuser, rather than to the media white point of the ICC color profile, `profile`. For more information, see `intent`.

model — Chromatic-adaptation model

'Bradford' (default) | 'vonKries'

Chromatic-adaptation model used to create a linear chromatic-adaptation transform, specified as 'Bradford' or 'vonKries'.

profile — ICC color profile

struct

ICC color profile, specified as a structure as returned by `icc_read`. If `profile` is a named color profile, it must have a `NamedColor2` field.

src_profile, dest_profile — Source or destination ICC color profile

struct

Source or destination ICC color profile, specified as a structure as returned by `icc_read`.

MatTRC — Matrix/tone reproduction curve model

struct

Matrix/tone reproduction curve model, specified as a structure. `MatTRC` is typically obtained from the `'MatTRC'` field of an ICC profile structure returned by `iccread`, based on tags contained in an ICC color profile. The `MatTRC` model contains an *RGB*-to-*XYZ* matrix and *RGB* tone reproduction curves.

direction — Direction to apply tone reproduction curve model

'forward' | 'inverse'

Direction to apply the tone reproduction curve model, specified as `'forward'` or `'inverse'`.

- For a multi-channel tone reproduction curve (`'mattrc'`), `'forward'` applies the model in the *RGB* to *XYZ* direction, and `'inverse'` applies the model in the *XYZ* to *RGB* direction. For more information, see section 6.3.1.2 of the International Color Consortium specification ICC.1:2001-04 or ICC.1:2001-12, available at www.color.org.
- For a single-channel tone reproduction curve (`'graytrc'`), `'forward'` applies the model in the device to PCS direction, and `'inverse'` applies the model in the PCS to device direction. "Device" here refers to the grayscale signal communicating with the monochrome device. "PCS" is the Profile Connection Space of the ICC profile and can be either *XYZ* or *L*a*b**, depending on the `'ConnectionSpace'` field in `profile.Header`.

LUTtype — Lookup table type

'AToB0' (default) | 'AToB1' | 'BToA0' | 'Gamut' | 'Preview0' | ...

Lookup table type, specified as one of the following values. `LUTtype` specifies which `'clut'` in the `profile` structure is to be used. Each `LUTtype` listed in the table below contains the components of an 8-bit or 16-bit `LUTtag` that performs a transformation between device colors and PCS colors using a particular rendering. For more information about `'clut'` transformations, see Section 6.5.7 of the International Color Consortium specification ICC.1:2001-04 (Version 2) or Section 6.5.9 of ICC.1:2001-12 (Version 4), available at <http://www.color.org>.

LUT Type	Description
'AToB0' (default)	Device to PCS: perceptual rendering intent
'AToB1'	Device to PCS: media-relative colorimetric rendering intent

LUT Type	Description
'AToB2'	Device to PCS: saturation rendering intent
'AToB3'	Device to PCS: ICC-absolute rendering intent
'BToA0'	PCS to device: perceptual rendering intent
'BToA1'	PCS to device: media-relative colorimetric rendering intent
'BToA2'	PCS to device: saturation rendering intent
'BToA3'	PCS to device: ICC-absolute rendering intent
'Gamut'	Determines which PCS colors are out of gamut for a given device
'Preview0'	PCS colors to the PCS colors available for soft proofing using the perceptual rendering
'Preview1'	PCS colors available for soft proofing using the media-relative colorimetric rendering.
'Preview2'	PCS colors to the PCS colors available for soft proofing using the saturation rendering.

space — Color space

'PCS' | 'Device'

Color space, specified as 'PCS' or 'Device'. The 'PCS' option is always available and will return $L^*a^*b^*$ or XYZ coordinates, depending on the 'ConnectionSpace' field in profile.Header. The 'Device' option, when active, returns device coordinates, the dimension depending on the 'ColorSpace' field in profile.Header. Coordinates are always returned in 'double' format.

Output Arguments

C — Color transformation

struct

Color transformation structure, returned as a struct.

Definitions

Color Space Abbreviations

The Image Processing Toolbox software uses the following abbreviations to represent color spaces.

Abbreviation	Description
xyz	1931 CIE XYZ tristimulus values (2° observer)
xy ℓ	1931 CIE xyY chromaticity values (2° observer), where x and y refer to the xy-coordinates of the associated CIE chromaticity diagram, and ℓ refers to Y (luminance).
uv ℓ	1960 CIE uvY values, where u and v refer to the uv-coordinates, and ℓ refers to Y (luminance).
upvpl	1976 CIE u'v'Y values, where up and vp refer to the u'v'-coordinates and ℓ refers to Y (luminance).
lab	1976 CIE L*a*b* values. Note that ℓ refers to L* (CIE 1976 psychometric lightness) rather than luminance (Y).
lch	Polar transformation of CIE L*a*b* values, where c = chroma and h = hue
cmyk	Standard values used by printers
srgb	Standard computer monitor RGB values, (IEC 61966-2-1)

See Also

[applycform](#) | [iccread](#) | [iccwrite](#) | [isicc](#) | [lab2rgb](#) | [lab2xyz](#) | [rgb2lab](#) | [rgb2xyz](#) | [whitepoint](#) | [xyz2lab](#) | [xyz2rgb](#)

External Websites

<http://www.color.org>

Introduced before R2006a

makeConstrainToRectFcn

Create rectangularly bounded drag constraint function

Syntax

```
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn(roi,x,y)
```

Description

`fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn(roi,x,y)` creates a position constraint function for draggable tools of a given ROI type. The position of the tool is constrained by rectangular boundaries described by position vectors `x` and `y`.

Examples

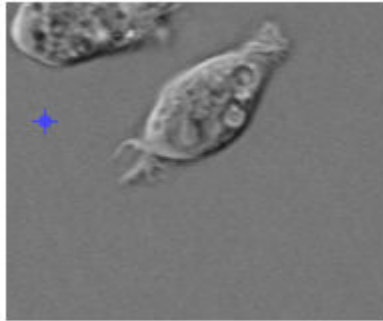
Constrain Drag of `impoint` to Image Limits

Display an image.

```
imshow('cell.tif')
```

Create an `impoint` object at the (x,y) coordinate $(20,60)$. In an image, the positive `y` direction is downwards.

```
h = impoint(gca,20,60);
```



Make a function that constrains the `impoint` to the image limits.

```
x = get(gca, 'XLim');  
y = get(gca, 'YLim');  
fcn = makeConstrainToRectFcn('impoint', x, y);
```

Apply the constraint function to the `impoint`. Try dragging the point past the boundary of the image. The constraint function prevents the point from crossing the image boundary.

```
setPositionConstraintFcn(h, fcn);
```

Input Arguments

roi — ROI type

'imellipse' | 'imfreehand' | 'imline' | 'impoint' | 'impoly' | 'imrect'

ROI type, specified as 'imellipse', 'imfreehand', 'imline', 'impoint', 'impoly', or 'imrect'.

Data Types: char | string

x — Rectangular boundaries in the x direction

2-element numeric vector

Rectangular boundaries in the x direction, specified as a 2-element numeric vector of the form [xmin xmax].

y — Rectangular boundaries in the y direction

2-element numeric vector

Rectangular boundaries in the y direction, specified as a 2-element numeric vector of the form [ymin ymax].

Output Arguments

fcn — Function handle

handle

Function handle, returned as a handle. For more information, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

See Also

[imdistline](#) | [imellipse](#) | [imfreehand](#) | [imline](#) | [impoint](#) | [impoly](#) | [imrect](#)

Introduced in R2006a

makehdr

Create high dynamic range image

Syntax

```
HDR = makehdr(files)
HDR = makehdr(imds)
HDR = makehdr( ____,Name,Value)
```

Description

`HDR = makehdr(files)` creates the single-precision, high dynamic range (HDR) image HDR from the set of spatially registered, low dynamic range (LDR) images in `files`.

`HDR = makehdr(imds)` creates the single-precision, high dynamic range image HDR from the set of spatially registered LDR images stored as `ImageDataStore` object, `imds`.

`HDR = makehdr(____,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control various aspects of the image creation in addition to the input argument from any of the previous syntaxes.

Note The input image files must contain the Exchangeable Image File Format (EXIF) exposure metadata. `makehdr` uses the middle exposure between the brightest and darkest images as the base exposure for the HDR calculations. This value does not need to appear in any particular file. For more information about calculating this middle exposure value, see “Algorithms” on page 1-2406.

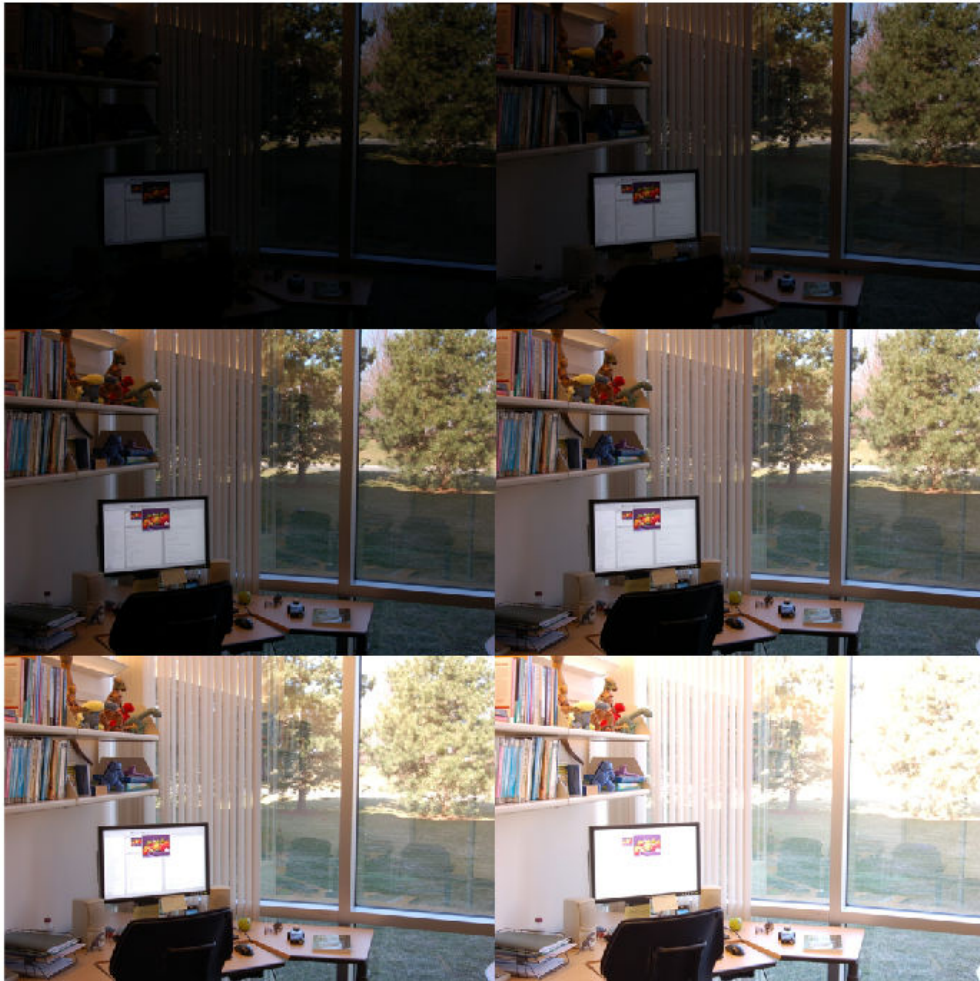
Examples

Create HDR Image from Set of LDR Images

Create a high dynamic range (HDR) image from a set of low dynamic range (LDR) images that share the same f-stop but have different exposure times.

Load six low dynamic range images into the workspace. Create a vector of their respective exposure times. Display the images as a montage.

```
files = {'office_1.jpg', 'office_2.jpg', 'office_3.jpg', ...  
        'office_4.jpg', 'office_5.jpg', 'office_6.jpg'};  
expTimes = [0.0333 0.1000 0.3333 0.6250 1.3000 4.0000];  
montage(files)
```



Combine the LDR images into an HDR image.

```
hdr = makehdr(files, 'RelativeExposure', expTimes./expTimes(1));
```

Display the HDR image.

```
rgb = tonemap(hdr);  
imshow(rgb)
```

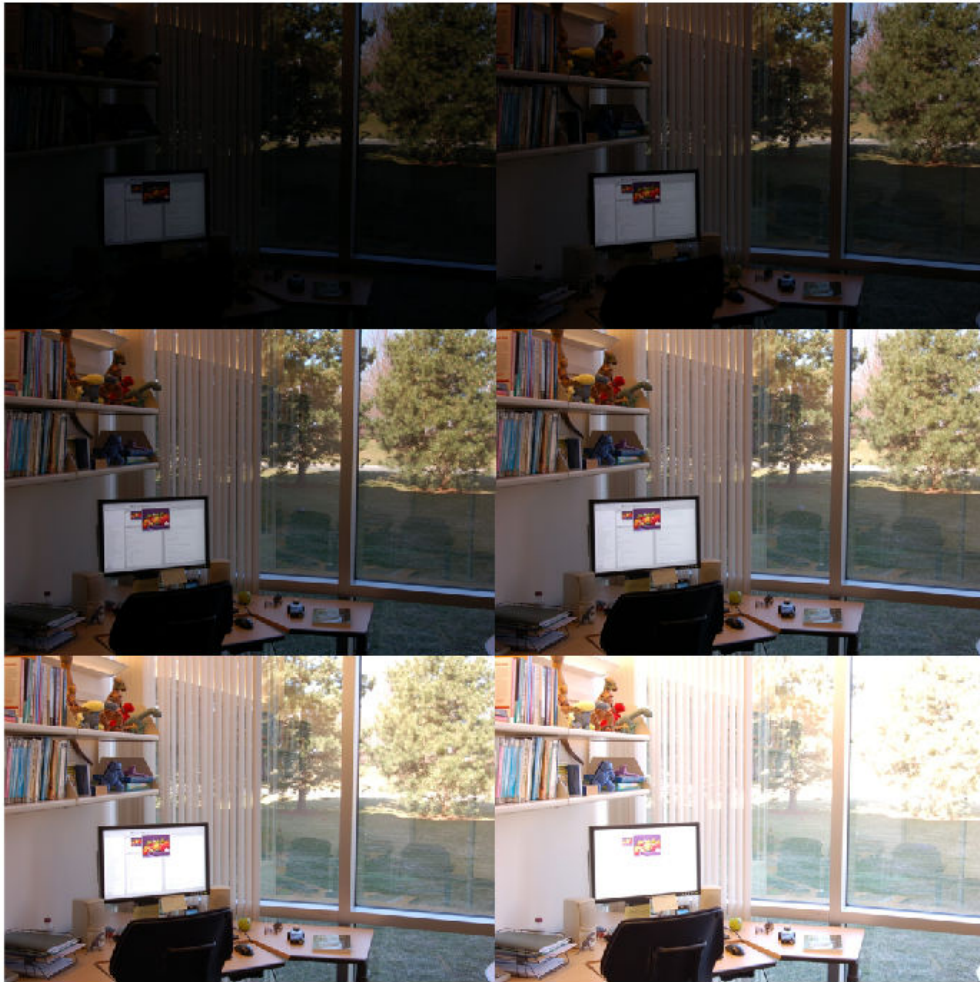


Create HDR Image Using Camera Response Function

Create a high dynamic range (HDR) image from a set of six low dynamic range (LDR) images that share the same f-stop but have different exposure times. The estimated camera response function values are computed from these LDR images and used to generate an HDR image.

Read the set of six spatially registered, LDR images into the workspace. Create an `imageDatastore` object containing these images. Display the images as a montage.

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata','office_*');  
imds = imageDatastore(setDir);  
montage(imds)
```



Estimate the camera response function from images in the datastore.


```
crf = camresponse(imds);
```

Combine the LDR images into an HDR image by using the estimated camera response function values.

```
hdr = makehdr(imds, 'CameraResponse', crf);
```

Display the HDR image.

```
rgb = tonemap(hdr);  
imshow(rgb)
```



Input Arguments

files — Set of spatially registered LDR images

string array | cell array of character vectors

Set of spatially registered LDR images, specified as a string array or a cell array of character vectors. These images can be color or grayscale of any bit depth. However, the preferred bit depth for LDR images is 8 or 16.

Data Types: char | string | cell

imds — Set of spatially registered LDR images

ImageDatastore object

Set of spatially registered LDR images, specified as an ImageDatastore object. These images can be color or grayscale of any bit depth. However, the preferred bit depth for LDR images is 8 or 16.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of Name, Value arguments. Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN.

Example: `makehdr(files, 'RelativeExposure', [0.1 0.3 0.4]);`

BaseFile — Name of file to use as base exposure

string scalar | character vector

Name of file to use as base exposure, specified as a string scalar or character vector.

Data Types: char | string

Note You can use only one of the 'BaseFile', 'ExposureValues', and 'RelativeExposure' name-value pairs at a time.

ExposureValues — Exposure value of each file in input set

numeric vector of positive values

Exposure value of each file in input set, specified as a numeric vector of positive values. The k th element in the vector corresponds to the k th LDR image in the input set. An increase of one exposure value (EV) corresponds to doubling the exposure. A decrease of one EV corresponds to halving the exposure. If you specify this parameter, the function overrides the EXIF exposure metadata.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

RelativeExposure — Relative exposure value of each file in input set

numeric vector of positive values

Relative exposure value of each file in input set, specified as a numeric vector of positive values. The k th element in the vector corresponds to the k th LDR image in the input set.

For example, an image with a relative exposure (RE) value of 0.5 has half as much exposure as an image with an RE value of 1. Similarly, an image with an RE value of 3 has three times the exposure of an image with an RE value of 1. If you specify this parameter, the function overrides the EXIF exposure metadata.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

MinimumLimit — Minimum correctly exposed value

positive integer

Minimum correctly exposed value, specified as a positive integer. For each LDR image, pixels with a smaller value than this minimum are considered underexposed and do not contribute to the final HDR image. By default, this minimum value is set to 2% of the maximum intensity allowed by the image data type.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

MaximumLimit — Maximum correctly exposed value

positive integer

Maximum correctly exposed value, specified as a positive integer. For each LDR image, pixels with a larger value than this maximum are considered overexposed and do not contribute to the final HDR image. By default, this maximum value is set to 98% of the maximum intensity allowed by the image data type.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

CameraResponse — Camera response function

n -by-1 vector | n -by-3 matrix

Camera response function, specified as a n -by-1 vector for grayscale images and n -by-3 matrix for color images. The camera response function maps the log-exposure value (scene radiance) to the intensity levels in the input images. The value of n is $2^{\text{bit depth}}$. For example, if the bit depth of the input set of images is 8, then n is 256.

Note The 'MaximumLimit' and 'MinimumLimit' name-value pairs are ignored when 'CameraResponse' is specified.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

HDR — High dynamic range image

m -by- n -by-3 numeric array

High dynamic range image, returned as an m -by- n -by-3 numeric array.

Data Types: `single`

Algorithms

The `makehdr` function calculates the middle exposure value by using the exposure values (EVs) of the input images. The exposure value for each image is computed based on the aperture and shutter speed. The aperture and shutter speed values are stored in the EXIF metadata of that input file or is specified using the 'ExposureValues' name-value pair. The middle EV is calculated as an average of the highest and lowest EVs and is used as the base exposure.

References

- [1] Reinhard et al. *High Dynamic Range Imaging* 2006. Ch. 4.
- [2] Debevec, P.E., and J. Malik. "Recovering High Dynamic Range Radiance Maps from Photographs." In *ACM SIGGRAPH 2008 classes*, Article No. 31. New York, NY: ACM, 2008.

See Also

camresponse | hdrread | hdrwrite | localtonemap | tonemap | tonemapfarbman

Introduced in R2008a

makelut

Create lookup table for use with `bwlookup`

Syntax

```
lut = makelut(fun,n)
```

Description

`lut = makelut(fun,n)` creates a lookup table. `fun` is a function that creates a numeric output from a binary neighborhood of size `n`-by-`n`. The function creates a lookup table by passing all possible neighborhoods to `fun`, one at a time, and storing the outputs in vector `lut`.

Use the lookup table with `bwlookup` to perform nonlinear neighborhood filtering.

Examples

Make Lookup Table for 2-by-2 Neighborhood

Create a lookup table for 2-by-2 neighborhoods. In this example, the function passed to `makelut` returns `true` if the number of 1s in the neighborhood is 2 or greater, and returns `false` otherwise.

```
f = @(x) (sum(x(:)) >= 2);  
lut = makelut(f,2)
```

```
lut = 16×1
```

```
0  
0  
0  
1  
0
```

```
1  
1  
1  
0  
1  
⋮
```

Input Arguments

fun — Function handle

handle

Function handle, specified as a handle. The function must accept an n-by-n binary matrix of 1s and 0s as input and return a scalar.

For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

n — Neighborhood size

2 | 3

Neighborhood size for the lookup table, specified as 2 or 3.

Output Arguments

lut — Lookup table

16-element numeric vector | 512-element numeric vector

Lookup table, returned as a 16-element numeric vector when n is 2, or a 512-element numeric vector when n is 3.

Data Types: double

See Also

bwlookup

Introduced before R2006a

makeresampler

Create resampling structure

Syntax

```
R = makeresampler(interpolant,padmethod)
R = makeresampler(Name,Value,...)
```

Description

`R = makeresampler(interpolant,padmethod)` creates a separable resampler structure for use with `tformarray`. The `interpolant` argument specifies the interpolating kernel that the separable resampler uses. The `padmethod` argument controls how the resampler interpolates or assigns values to output elements that map close to or outside the edge of the input array.

`R = makeresampler(Name,Value,...)` create a resampler structure that uses a user-written resampler using parameter value pairs.

Examples

Use Separable Resampler to Stretch an Image in the Y Direction

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
A = imread('moon.tif');
imshow(A)
```




Create a separable resampler.

```
resamp = makesampler({'nearest','cubic'},'fill');
```

Create a spatial transformation structure (TFORM) that defines an affine transformation.

```
stretch = maketform('affine',[1 0; 0 1.3; 0 0]);
```

Apply the transformation, specifying the custom resampler.

```
B = imtransform(A,stretch,resamp);
```

Display the transformed image.

```
imshow(B)
```



Input Arguments

interpolant — Interpolating kernel

'cubic' | 'linear' | 'nearest' | cell array

Interpolating kernel, specified as 'nearest', 'linear', 'cubic', or a cell array. The following table lists the named interpolants:

Interpolant	Description
'cubic'	Cubic interpolation
'linear'	Linear interpolation
'nearest'	Nearest-neighbor interpolation

If you want to use a custom interpolating kernel, specify a cell array in either of these forms:

{half_width, positive_half}	half_width is a positive scalar designating the half width of a symmetric interpolating kernel. positive_half is a vector of values regularly sampling the kernel on the closed interval [0 positive_half].
{half_width, interp_fcn}	interp_fcn is a function handle that returns interpolating kernel values, given an array of input values in the interval [0 positive_half].

To specify the interpolation method independently along each dimension, combine both types of interpolant specifications. The number of elements in the cell array must equal the number of transform dimensions. For example, consider the following example of an interpolant value:

```
'nearest', 'linear', {2 KERNEL_TABLE}}
```

In this example, the resampler uses nearest-neighbor interpolation along the first transform dimension, linear interpolation along the second dimension, and custom table-based interpolation along the third.

Data Types: char | string | cell

padmethod — Method used to assign values to output elements that map outside the input array

'bound' | 'circular' | 'replicate' | 'symmetric' | 'fill'

Method used to assign values to output elements that map outside the input array, specified as one of the following values.

Pad Method	Description
'bound'	Assigns values from the fill value array to points that map outside the input array. Repeats border elements of the array for points that map inside the array (same as 'replicate'). When <code>interpolant</code> is 'nearest', this pad method produces the same results as 'fill'. 'bound' is like 'fill', but avoids mixing fill values and input image values.
'circular'	Pads array with circular repetition of elements within the dimension. Same as <code>padarray</code> .
'fill'	Generates an output array with smooth-looking edges (except when using nearest-neighbor interpolation). For output points that map near the edge of the input array (either inside or outside), it combines input image and fill values. When <code>interpolant</code> is 'nearest', this pad method produces the same results as 'bound'.
'replicate'	Pads array by repeating border elements of array. Same as <code>padarray</code> .
'symmetric'	Pads array with mirror reflections of itself. Same as <code>padarray</code> .

For 'fill', 'replicate', 'circular', or 'symmetric', the resampling performed by `tformarray` occurs in two logical steps:

- 1 Pad the array *A* infinitely to fill the entire input transform space.
- 2 Evaluate the convolution of the padded *A* with the resampling kernel at the output points specified by the geometric map.

Each nontransform dimension is handled separately. The padding is virtual (accomplished by remapping array subscripts) for performance and memory efficiency. If you implement a custom resampler, you can implement these behaviors.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `resamp = makesampler('Type','separable','Interpolant','linear','PadMethod','fill');`

Type — Resampler type

'separable' | 'custom'

Resampler type, specified as one of the following values.

Type	Description
'separable'	Create a separable resampler. If you specify this value, the only other properties that you can specify are 'Interpolant' and 'PadMethod'. The result is equivalent to using the <code>makesampler(interpolant,padmethod)</code> syntax.
'custom'	Create a customer resampler. If you specify this value, you must specify the 'NDims' and 'ResampleFcn' properties and, optionally, the 'CustomData' property.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

PadMethod — Method used to assign values to output elements that map close to or outside the edge of the input array

character vector | string scalar

See the `padmethod` argument for more information.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Interpolant — Interpolating kernel

character vector | string scalar | cell array

See the `interpolant` argument for more information.

Data Types: `char` | `string` | `cell`

NDims — Dimensionality custom resampler can handle

positive integer

Dimensionality custom resampler can handle, specified as a positive integer. Use a value of `Inf` to indicate that the custom resampler can handle any dimension. If 'Type' is 'custom', you must specify `NDims`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

ResampleFcn — Function that performs the resampling

function handle

Function that performs the resampling, specified as a function handle. You call this function with the following interface:

```
B = resample_fcn(A,M,TDIMS_A,TDIMS_B,FSIZE_A,FSIZE_B,F,R)
```

For more information about the input arguments to this function, see the help for `tfmarray`. The argument `M` is an array that maps the transform subscript space of `B` to the transform subscript space of `A`. If `A` has `N` transform dimensions (`N = length(TDIMS_A)`) and `B` has `P` transform dimensions (`P = length(TDIMS_B)`), then `ndims(M) = P + 1`, if `N > 1` and `P` if `N == 1`, and `size(M,P + 1) = N`.

The first `P` dimensions of `M` correspond to the output transform space, permuted according to the order in which the output transform dimensions are listed in `TDIMS_B`. (In general `TDIMS_A` and `TDIMS_B` need not be sorted in ascending order, although some resamplers can impose such a limitation.) Thus, the first `P` elements of `size(M)` determine the sizes of the transform dimensions of `B`. The input transform coordinates to which each point is mapped are arrayed across the final dimension of `M`, following the order given in `TDIMS_A`. `M` must be `double`. `FSIZE_A` and `FSIZE_B` are the full sizes of `A` and `B`, padded with 1's as necessary to be consistent with `TDIMS_A`, `TDIMS_B`, and `size(A)`.

Data Types: `function_handle`

CustomData — User-define data

numeric array | string scalar | character vector

User-defined data, specified using a string scalar, character vector, or numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical` | `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

R — Resampler

structure

Resampler, returned as a structure.

See Also

tformarray

Introduced before R2006a

maketform

Create spatial transformation structure (TFORM)

Note maketform is not recommended. Use fitgeotrans, affine2d, affine3d, or projective2d instead.

Syntax

```
T = maketform('affine',A)
T = maketform('affine',U,X)
T = maketform('projective',A)
T = maketform('projective',U,X)
T = maketform('custom',NDIMS_IN,NDIMS_OUT,FORWARD_FCN,INVERSE_FCN,
TDATA)
T = maketform('box',tsize,LOW,HIGH)
T = maketform('box',INBOUNDS, OUTBOUNDS)
T = maketform('composite',T1,T2,...,TL)
T = maketform('composite', [T1 T2 ... TL])
```

Description

`T = maketform('affine',A)` creates a multidimensional spatial transformation structure `T` for an `N`-dimensional affine transformation. `A` is a nonsingular real $(N+1)$ -by- $(N+1)$ or $(N+1)$ -by- N matrix. If `A` is $(N+1)$ -by- $(N+1)$, the last column of `A` must be `[zeros(N,1);1]`. Otherwise, `A` is augmented automatically, such that its last column is `[zeros(N,1);1]`. The matrix `A` defines a forward transformation such that `tformfwd(U,T)`, where `U` is a 1-by- N vector, returns a 1-by- N vector `X`, such that $X = U * A(1:N,1:N) + A(N+1,1:N)$. `T` has both forward and inverse transformations.

A spatial transformation structure (called a TFORM struct) that can be used with the `tformfwd`, `tforminv`, `fliptform`, `imtransform`, or `tformarray` functions.

`T = maketform('affine',U,X)` creates a TFORM struct `T` for a two-dimensional affine transformation that maps each row of `U` to the corresponding row of `X`. The `U` and `X`

arguments are each 3-by-2 and define the corners of input and output triangles. The corners cannot be collinear.

`T = maketform('projective',A)` creates a TFORM struct for an N-dimensional projective transformation. A is a nonsingular real (N+1)-by-(N+1) matrix. A(N+1,N+1) cannot be 0. The matrix A defines a forward transformation such that `tformfwd(U,T)`, where U is a 1-by-N vector, returns a 1-by-N vector X, such that $X = W(1:N)/W(N+1)$, where $W = [U \ 1] * A$. The transformation structure T has both forward and inverse transformations.

`T = maketform('projective',U,X)` creates a TFORM struct T for a two-dimensional projective transformation that maps each row of U to the corresponding row of X. The U and X arguments are each 4-by-2 and define the corners of input and output quadrilaterals. No three corners can be collinear.

`T = maketform('custom',NDIMS_IN,NDIMS_OUT,FORWARD_FCN,INVERSE_FCN,TDATA)` creates a custom TFORM struct T based on user-provided function handles and parameters. NDIMS_IN and NDIMS_OUT are the numbers of input and output dimensions. FORWARD_FCN and INVERSE_FCN are function handles to forward and inverse functions. The forward function must support the following syntax: $X = \text{FORWARD_FCN}(U, T)$. The inverse function must support the following syntax: $U = \text{INVERSE_FCN}(X, T)$. In these syntaxes, U is a P-by-NDIMS_IN matrix whose rows are points in the transformation input space. X is a P-by-NDIMS_OUT matrix whose rows are points in the transformation output space. The TDATA argument can be any MATLAB array and is typically used to store parameters of the custom transformation. It is accessible to FORWARD_FCN and INVERSE_FCN via the `tdata` field of T. Either FORWARD_FCN or INVERSE_FCN can be empty, although at least INVERSE_FCN must be defined to use T with `tformarray` or `imtransform`.

`T = maketform('box',tsize,LOW,HIGH)` or

`T = maketform('box',INBOUNDS, OUTBOUNDS)` builds an N-dimensional affine TFORM struct T. The `tsize` argument is an N-element vector of positive integers. LOW and HIGH are also N-element vectors. The transformation maps an input box defined by the opposite corners `ones(1,N)` and `tsize`, or by corners `INBOUNDS(1,:)` and `INBOUND(2,:)`, to an output box defined by the opposite corners LOW and HIGH or `OUTBOUNDS(1,:)` and `OUTBOUNDS(2,:)`. LOW(K) and HIGH(K) must be different unless `tsize(K)` is 1, in which case the affine scale factor along the Kth dimension is assumed to be 1.0. Similarly, `INBOUNDS(1,K)` and `INBOUNDS(2,K)` must be different unless `OUTBOUNDS(1,K)` and `OUTBOUNDS(2,K)` are the same, and conversely. The 'box' TFORM is typically used to register the row and column subscripts of an image or array to some world coordinate system.

`T = maketform('composite',T1,T2,...,TL)` or
`T = maketform('composite', [T1 T2 ... TL])` builds a TFORM struct `T` whose forward and inverse functions are the functional compositions of the forward and inverse functions of `T1`, `T2`, ..., `TL`.

The inputs `T1`, `T2`, ..., `TL` are ordered just as they would be when using the standard notation for function composition: $T = T1 \circ T2 \circ \dots \circ TL$ and note also that composition is associative, but not commutative. This means that to apply `T` to the input `U`, one must apply `TL` first and `T1` last. Thus if `L = 3`, for example, then `tformfwd(U,T)` is the same as `tformfwd(tformfwd(tformfwd(U,T3),T2),T1)`. The components `T1` through `TL` must be compatible in terms of the numbers of input and output dimensions. `T` has a defined forward transform function only if all the component transforms have defined forward transform functions. `T` has a defined inverse transform function only if all the component functions have defined inverse transform functions.

Examples

Make TFORM and Apply Transformation to Image

Create a transformation structure (TFORM) that defines an affine transformation.

```
T = maketform('affine',[.5 0 0; .5 2 0; 0 0 1])
```

```
T =
```

```
struct with fields:
    ndims_in: 2
    ndims_out: 2
    forward_fcn: @fwd_affine
    inverse_fcn: @inv_affine
    tdata: [1x1 struct]
```

Apply the forward transformation.

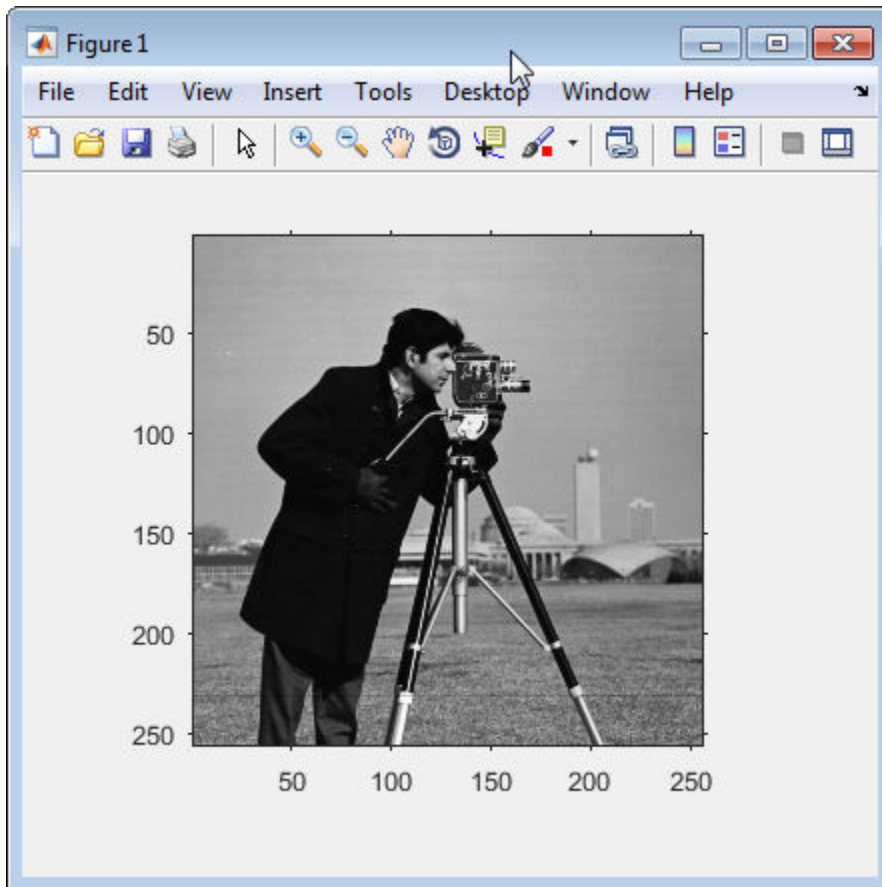
```
tformfwd([10 20],T)
```

```
ans =
```

```
15    40
```

Read an image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
imshow(I),
```

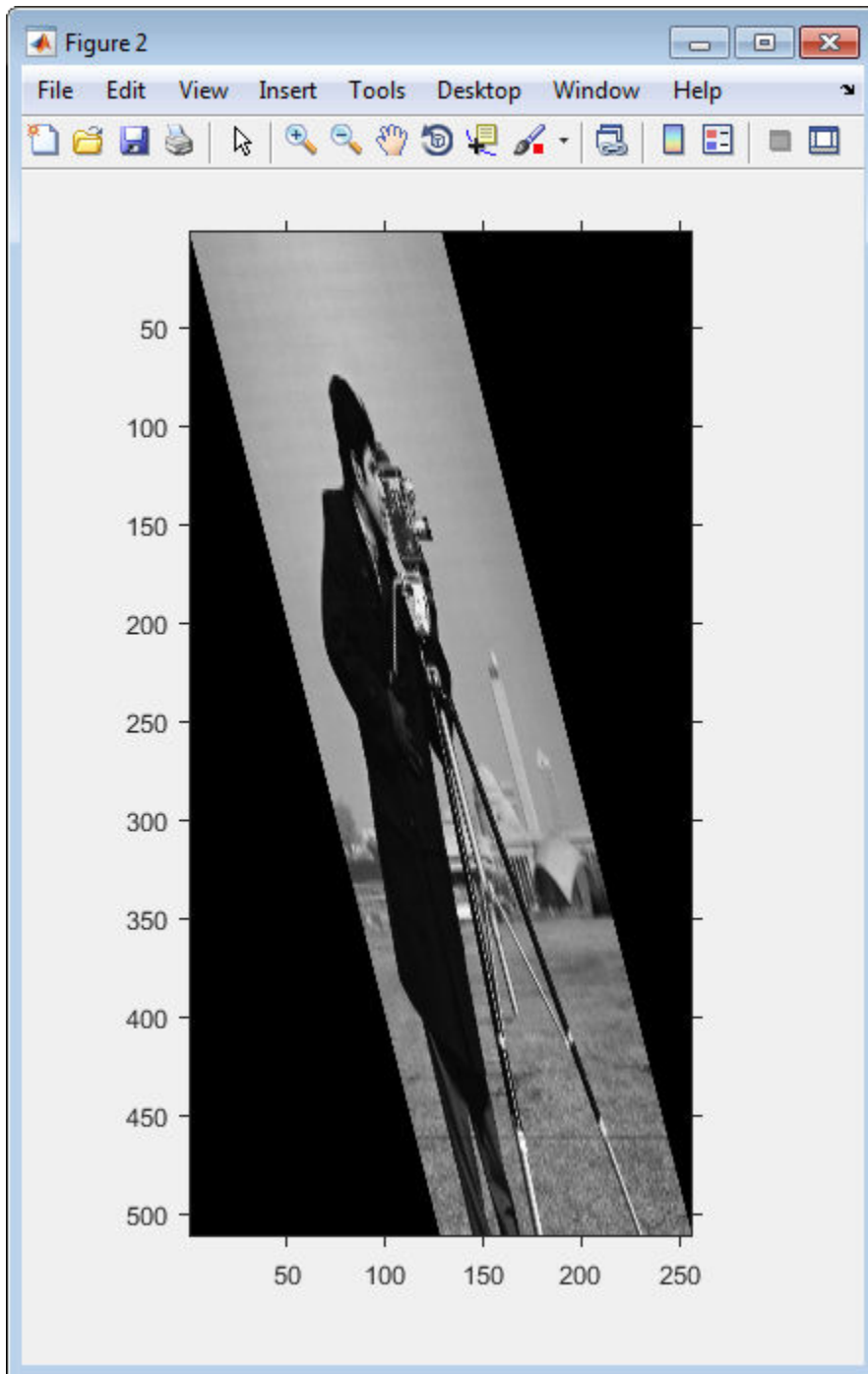


Apply the transformation to the image.

```
I2 = imtransform(I,T);
```

Display the original image and the transformed image.

```
figure, imshow(I2)
```



Transformation matrix, specified as a nonsingular, real (N+1)-by-(N+1) or (N+1)-by-N matrix.

Data Types: double

U, X — Corners

4-by-2 matrix for projective transformations | 3-by-2 matrix for affine transformations

Corners, specified as a 3-by-2 matrix (for affine transformations) or 4-by-2 matrix (for projective transformations). The matrices define the corners of triangles (for affine transformations) or quadrangles (for projective transformations).

Data Types: double

NDIMS_IN, NDIMS_OUT — Number of input and output dimensions

scalar

Number of input and output dimensions, specified as a scalar.

Data Types: double

FORWARD_FCN, INVERSE_FCN — Forward and inverse functions

function handle

Forward and inverse functions, specified as function handles.

Data Types: function_handle

TDATA — Parameters of custom transformation

array

Parameters of custom transformation, specified as an array.

Data Types: double

tsize — Size of input box

n-element vector of positive integers

Size of input box, specified as an n-element vector of positive integers.

Data Types: double

LOW, HIGH — Corners of output box

n-element vectors.

Corners of output box, specified as an n-element vector.

Data Types: double

T1, T2, . . . , TL — Forward and inverse functions

function handles

Forward and inverse functions, specified as function handles.

Data Types: function_handle

Output Arguments

T — Multidimensional spatial transformation structure

transformation structure (TFORM)

Multidimensional spatial transformation structure, returned as a transformation structure (TFORM).

Tips

- An affine or projective transformation can also be expressed like this equation, for a 3-by-2 A:

$$[X \ Y]' = A' * [U \ V \ 1]'$$

Or, like this equation, for a 3-by-3 A:

$$[X \ Y \ 1]' = A' * [U \ V \ 1]'$$

See Also

[fliptform](#) | [imtransform](#) | [tformarray](#) | [tformfwd](#) | [tforminv](#)

Introduced before R2006a

mat2gray

Convert matrix to grayscale image

Syntax

```
I = mat2gray(A,[amin amax])  
I = mat2gray(A)
```

Description

`I = mat2gray(A,[amin amax])` converts the matrix `A` to an intensity image `I` that contains values in the range 0 (black) to 1 (white). `amin` and `amax` are the values in `A` that correspond to 0 and 1 in `I`. Values less than `amin` become 0, and values greater than `amax` become 1.

You optionally can perform the operation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

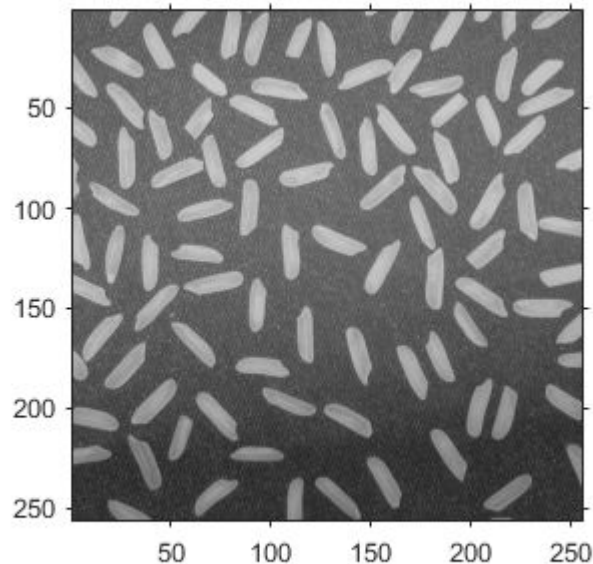
`I = mat2gray(A)` sets the values of `amin` and `amax` to the minimum and maximum values in `A`.

Examples

Convert a Matrix into an Image

Read an image and display it.

```
I = imread('rice.png');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```

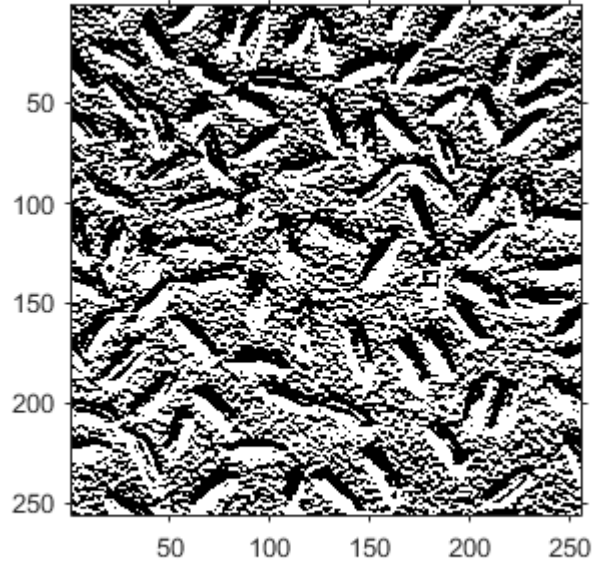
Perform an operation that returns a numeric matrix. This operation looks for edges.

```
J = filter2(fspecial('sobel'),I);  
min_matrix = min(J(:))  
  
min_matrix = -779  
  
max_matrix = max(J(:))  
  
max_matrix = 560
```

Note that the matrix has data type `double` with values outside of the range `[0,1]`, including negative values.

Display the result of the operation. Because the data range of the matrix is outside the default display range of `imshow`, every pixel with a positive value displays as white, and every pixel with a negative or zero value displays as black. It is challenging to see the edges of the grains of rice.

```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Convert the matrix into an image. Display the maximum and minimum values of the image.

```
K = mat2gray(J);  
min_image = min(K(:))
```

```
min_image = 0
```

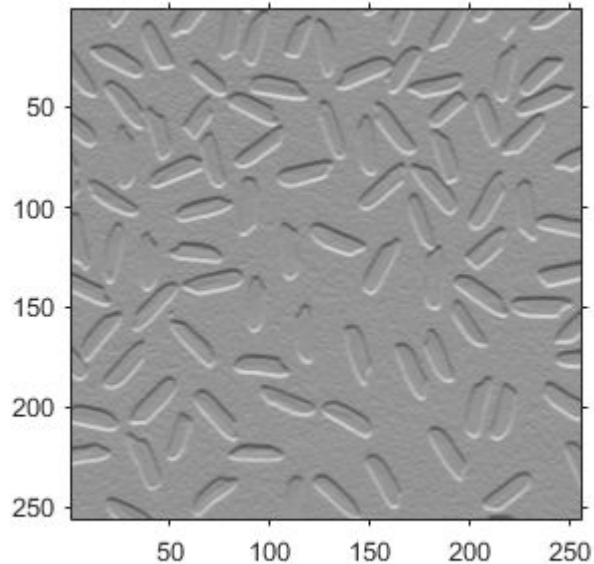
```
max_image = max(K(:))
```

```
max_image = 1
```

Note that values are still data type `double`, but that all values are in the range `[0, 1]`.

Display the result of the conversion. Pixels show a range of grayscale colors, which makes the location of the edges more apparent.

```
figure  
imshow(K)
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

numeric matrix | gpuArray

Input image, specified as a numeric matrix.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify **A** as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric matrix.

[amin amax] — Input black and white values

2-element numeric vector

Input black and white values, specified as a 2-element numeric vector.

- Values in input image A that are less than or equal to `amin` are mapped to the value 0 in the intensity image, I.
- Values in A that are greater than or equal to `amax` are mapped to the value 1 in I.

Output Arguments

I — Output intensity image

numeric matrix | gpuArray

Output intensity image, returned as a numeric matrix with values in the range [0, 1].

If the output intensity image is computed using a GPU, then B is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `double`

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`gray2ind` | `ind2gray` | `rescale` | `rgb2gray`

Introduced before R2006a

MattesMutualInformation

Mattes mutual information metric configuration

Description

A `MattesMutualInformation` object describes a mutual information metric configuration that you pass to the function `imregister` to solve image registration problems.

Creation

You can create a `MattesMutualInformation` object using the following methods:

- `imregconfig` — Returns a `MattesMutualInformation` object paired with an appropriate optimizer for registering multimodal images
- Entering

```
metric = registration.metric.MattesMutualInformation;
```

on the command line creates a `MattesMutualInformation` object with default settings

Properties

NumberOfSpatialSamples — Number of spatial samples used to compute the mutual information metric

500 (default) | positive integer scalar

Number of spatial samples used to compute the mutual information metric, specified as a positive integer scalar. `NumberOfSpatialSamples` defines the number of random pixels `imregister` uses to compute the metric. Your registration results are more reproducible (at the cost of performance) as you increase this value. `imregister` only uses `NumberOfSpatialSamples` when `UseAllPixels = 0` (false).

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

NumberOfHistogramBins — Number of histogram bins used to compute the mutual information metric

50 (default) | positive integer scalar

Number of histogram bins used to compute the mutual information metric, specified as a positive integer scalar. `NumberOfHistogramBins` defines the number of bins `imregister` uses to compute the joint distribution histogram. The minimum value is 5.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

UseAllPixels — Option to include all pixels in the overlap region when computing the mutual information metric

1 (true) (default) | logical scalar

Option to compute the metric using all pixels in the overlap region of the images when computing the mutual information metric, specified as a logical scalar.

You can achieve significantly better performance if you set this property to 0 (false). When `UseAllPixels = 0`, the `NumberOfSpatialSamples` property controls the number of random pixel locations that `imregister` uses to compute the metric. The results of your registration might not be reproducible when `UseAllPixels = 0`. This is because `imregister` selects a random subset of pixels from the images to compute the metric.

Examples

Register Images with Mattes Mutual Information Metric

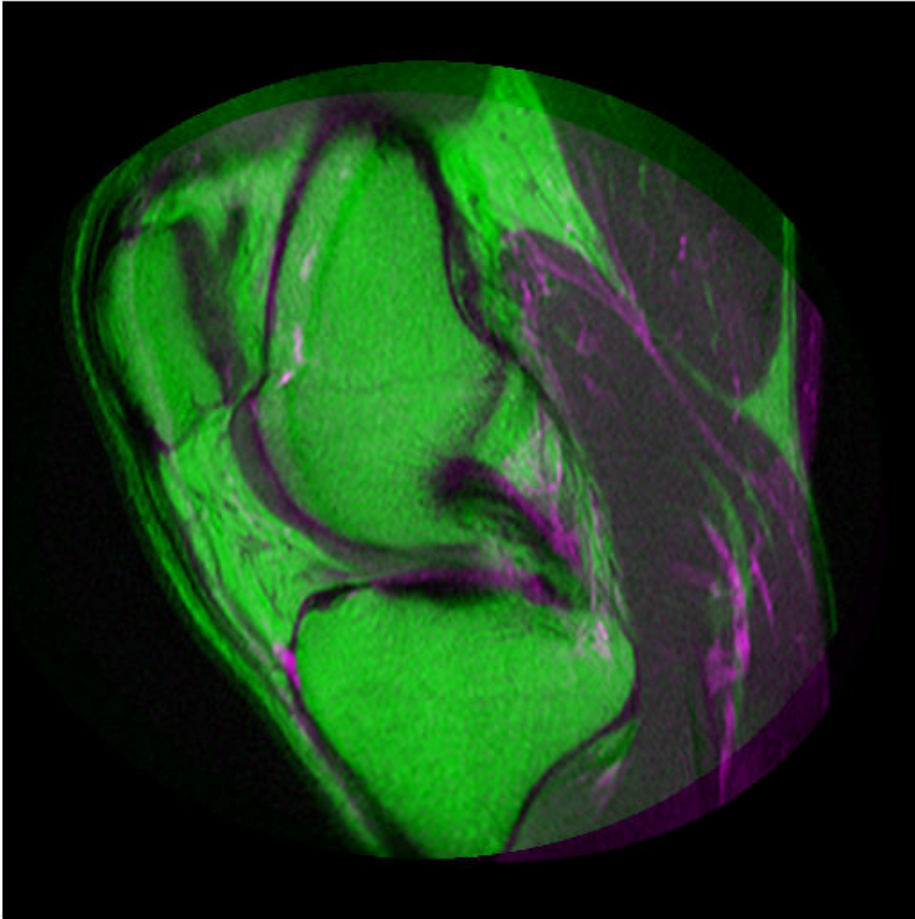
Create a `MattesMutualInformation` object and use it to register two MRI images of a knee that were obtained using different protocols.

Read the images into the workspace. The images are multimodal because they have different brightness and contrast.

```
fixed = dicomread('knee1.dcm');  
moving = dicomread('knee2.dcm');
```

View the misaligned images.

```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed, moving, 'Scaling', 'joint');
```



Create the optimizer configuration object suitable for registering multimodal images.

```
optimizer = registration.optimizer.OnePlusOneEvolutionary;
```

Create the metric configuration object suitable for registering multimodal images.

```
metric = registration.metric.MattesMutualInformation
```

```
metric =  
    registration.metric.MattesMutualInformation
```

```
Properties:  
    NumberOfSpatialSamples: 500  
    NumberOfHistogramBins: 50  
    UseAllPixels: 1
```

Tune the properties of the optimizer so that the problem will converge on a global maxima. Increase the number of iterations the optimizer will use to solve the problem.

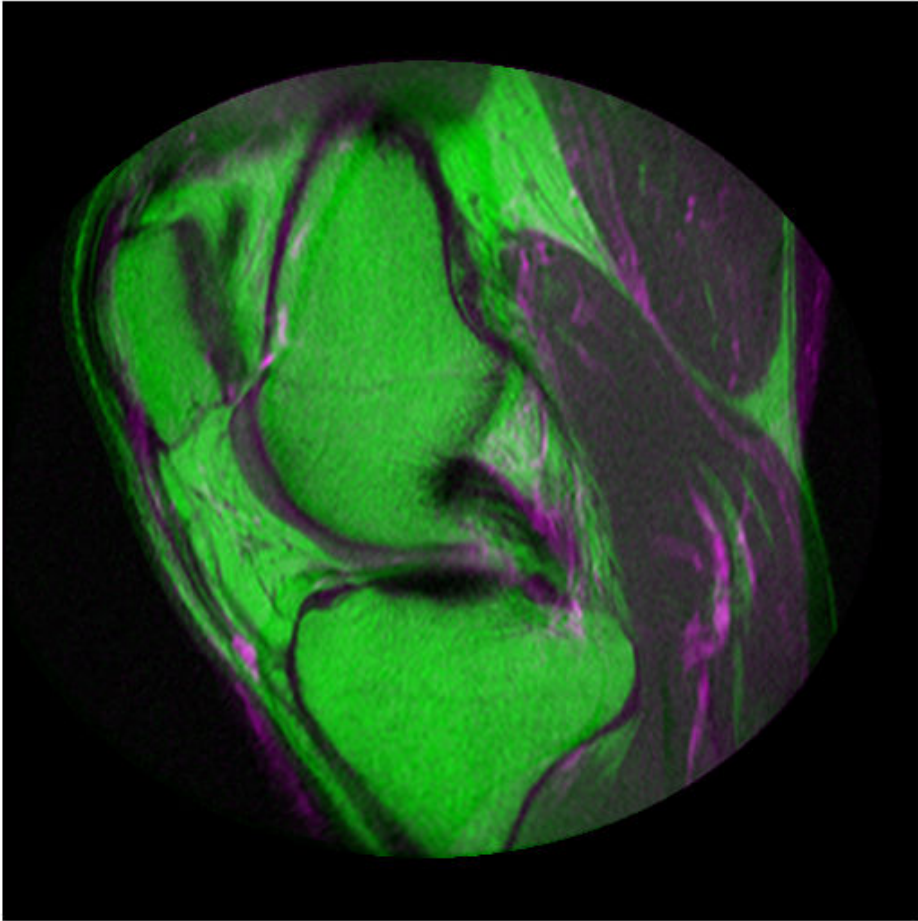
```
optimizer.InitialRadius = 0.009;  
optimizer.Epsilon = 1.5e-4;  
optimizer.GrowthFactor = 1.01;  
optimizer.MaximumIterations = 300;
```

Perform the registration.

```
movingRegistered = imregister(moving, fixed, 'affine', optimizer, metric);
```

View the registered images.

```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed, movingRegistered, 'Scaling', 'joint');
```

Tips

- Larger values of mutual information correspond to better registration results. You can examine the computed values of Mattes mutual information if you enable 'DisplayOptimization' when you call `imregister`, for example:

```
movingRegistered = imregister(moving, fixed, 'rigid', optimizer, metric, 'DisplayOptimization', true);
```

Algorithms

Mutual information metrics are information theoretic techniques for measuring how related two variables are. These algorithms use the joint probability distribution of a sampling of pixels from two images to measure the certainty that the values of one set of pixels map to similar values in the other image. This information is a quantitative measure of how similar the images are. High mutual information implies a large reduction in the uncertainty (entropy) between the two distributions, signaling that the images are likely better aligned.

The Mattes mutual information algorithm uses a single set of pixel locations for the duration of the optimization, instead of drawing a new set at each iteration. The number of samples used to compute the probability density estimates and the number of bins used to compute the entropy are both user selectable. The marginal and joint probability density function is evaluated at the uniformly spaced bins using the samples. Entropy values are computed by summing over the bins. Zero-order and third-order B-spline kernels are used to compute the probability density functions of the fixed and moving images, respectively [1].

References

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- [2] D. Mattes, D.R. Haynor, H. Vesselle, T. Lewellen, and W. Eubank. "Non-rigid multimodality image registration." (Proceedings paper). *Medical Imaging 2001: Image Processing*. SPIE Publications, 3 July 2001. pp. 1609–1620.

See Also

Functions

`imregconfig` | `imregister`

Objects

`MeanSquares` | `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` | `RegularStepGradientDescent`

Topics

“Create an Optimizer and Metric for Intensity-Based Image Registration”

Introduced in R2012a

mean2

Average or mean of matrix elements

Syntax

```
B = mean2(A)
```

Description

`B = mean2(A)` computes the mean of all values in array `A`.

You optionally can compute the mean using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

Examples

Compute Mean of an Image

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('liftingbody.png');
```

Compute the mean.

```
meanval = mean2(I)
```

```
meanval = 140.2991
```

Compute 2-D Mean on a GPU

Read a grayscale image into the workspace as a `gpuArray` object, then calculate the mean of the pixel intensity values using a GPU.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('liftingbody.png'));  
meanval = mean2(I)
```

Input Arguments

A — Input data

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Input data, specified as a numerical or logical array.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify A as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

B — Mean

numeric scalar | gpuArray

Mean of input data, returned as a numeric scalar. If the data type of A is `single`, then the data type of B is also `single`. Otherwise, the data type of B is `double`.

If the image mean is computed using a GPU, then B is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `mean2` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`corr2` | `mean` | `std` | `std2`

Introduced before R2006a

MeanSquares

Mean square error metric configuration

Description

A `MeanSquares` object describes a mean square error metric configuration that you pass to the function `imregister` to solve image registration problems.

Creation

You can create a `MeanSquares` object using the following methods:

- `imregconfig` — Returns a `MeanSquares` object paired with an appropriate optimizer for registering monomodal images
- Entering

```
metric = registration.metric.MeanSquares;
```

on the command line creates a `MeanSquares` object

Examples

Register Images with Mean Squares Metric

Create a `MeanSquares` object and use it to register two images with similar brightness and contrast.

Read the reference image and create an unregistered copy.

```
fixed = imread('pout.tif');  
moving = imrotate(fixed, 5, 'bilinear', 'crop');
```

View the misaligned images.

```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed, moving, 'Scaling', 'joint');
```



Create the metric configuration object suitable for registering monomodal images.

```
metric = registration.metric.MeanSquares
```

```
metric =  
    registration.metric.MeanSquares
```

This class has no properties.

Create the optimizer configuration object.

```
optimizer = registration.optimizer.RegularStepGradientDescent;
```

Modify the metric configuration to get more precision.

```
optimizer.MaximumIterations = 300;  
optimizer.MinimumStepLength = 5e-4;
```


Perform the registration.

```
movingRegistered = imregister(moving, fixed, 'rigid', optimizer, metric);
```

View the registered images.

```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed, movingRegistered, 'Scaling', 'joint');
```



Tips

- The mean squares metric is an element-wise difference between two input images. The ideal value is zero. You can examine the computed values of mean square error if you

```
enable 'DisplayOptimization' when you call imregister. For example,  
movingRegistered =  
imregister(moving, fixed, 'rigid', optimizer, metric, 'DisplayOptimizat  
ion', true);
```

Algorithms

The mean squares image similarity metric is computed by squaring the difference of corresponding pixels in each image and taking the mean of the squared differences.

See Also

Functions

`imregconfig` | `imregister`

Objects

`MattesMutualInformation` | `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` |
`RegularStepGradientDescent`

Topics

“Create an Optimizer and Metric for Intensity-Based Image Registration”

Introduced in R2012a

measureChromaticAberration

Measure chromatic aberration at slanted edges using Imatest® eSFR chart

Syntax

```
aberrationTable = measureChromaticAberration(chart)
aberrationTable = measureChromaticAberration(chart,Name,Value)
```

Description

`aberrationTable = measureChromaticAberration(chart)` measures the chromatic aberration at all slanted edge regions of interest (ROIs) of an Imatest® eSFR chart.

`aberrationTable = measureChromaticAberration(chart,Name,Value)` measures the chromatic aberration with additional parameters to specify a subset of ROIs to measure.

Examples

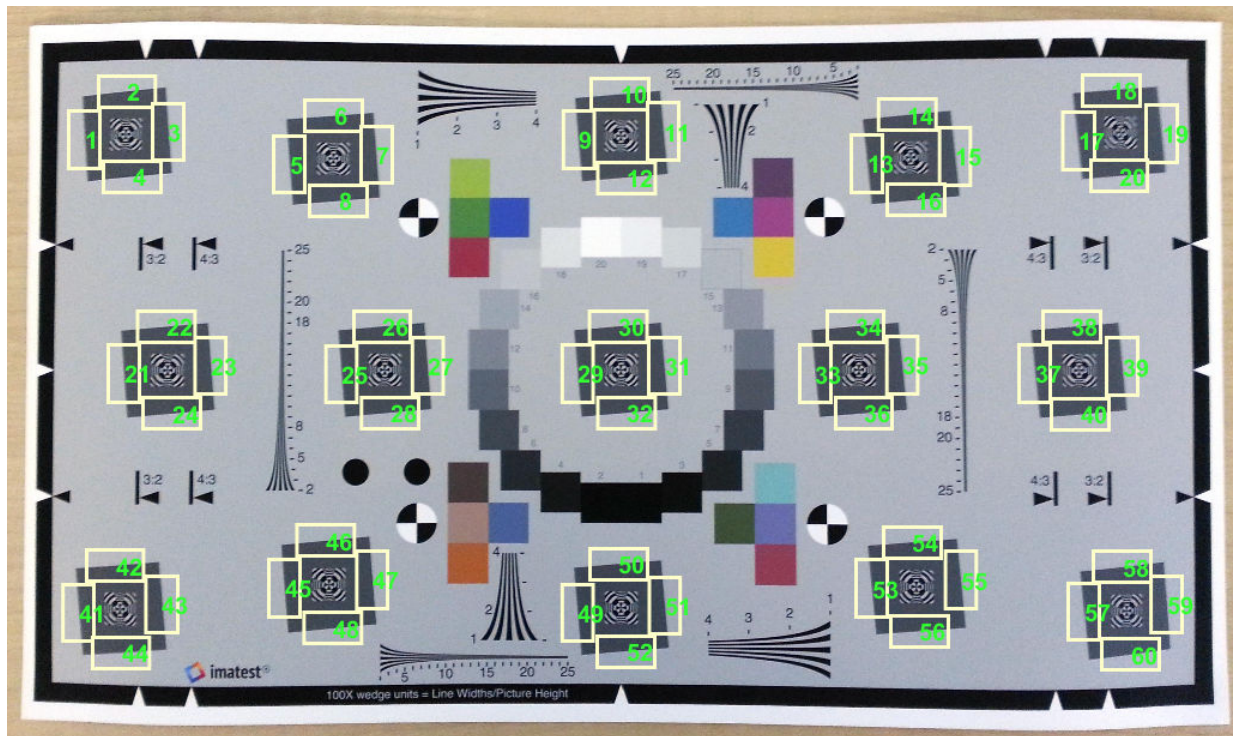
Measure Chromatic Aberration of Slanted Edges on eSFR Chart

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an `esfrChart` object, then display the chart with ROI annotations. The 60 slanted edge ROIs are labeled with green numbers.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);
displayChart(chart,'displayColorROIs',false,...
    'displayGrayROIs',false,'displayRegistrationPoints',false)
```



Measure the chromatic aberration in all slanted edge ROIs. Examine the contents of the returned table, `chTable`, for a single ROI.

```
chTable = measureChromaticAberration(chart);
ROIIndex = 3;
chTable(ROIIndex,:)
```

```
ans=1x5 table
    ROI    aberration    percentAberration    edgeProfile    normalizedEdgeProfile
    ---    ---            ---                ---            ---
     3      1.9164          0.14883            [348x4 table]    [348x4 table]
```

Store the normalized edge profile in a separate variable, `edgeProfile`, for clarity. Examine the normalized color intensity of the first and last pixel of `edgeProfile`.

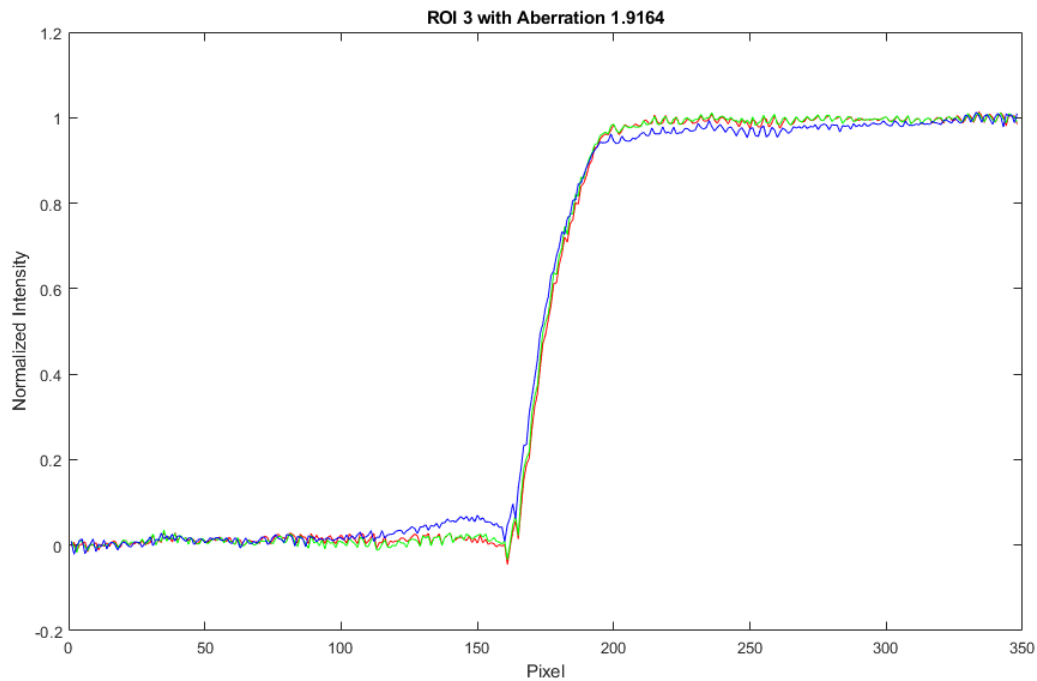
```
edgeProfile = chTable.normalizedEdgeProfile{ROIIndex};
edgeProfile([1 end],:)
```

```
ans=2x4 table
```

normalizedEdgeProfile_R	normalizedEdgeProfile_G	normalizedEdgeProfile_B	n
-0.0022049	0.0094112	0.0088172	
0.98511	0.98953	1.01	

Plot the normalized intensity for the ROI.

```
npix = length(edgeProfile.normalizedEdgeProfile_R);
plot(1:npix,edgeProfile.normalizedEdgeProfile_R,'r', ...
     1:npix,edgeProfile.normalizedEdgeProfile_G,'g', ...
     1:npix,edgeProfile.normalizedEdgeProfile_B,'b')
xlabel('Pixel')
ylabel('Normalized Intensity')
title(['ROI ' num2str(ROIIndex) ' with Aberration ' num2str(chTable.aberration(ROIIndex))'])
```



The blue channel has a higher intensity than the red and green channels immediately before the edge, and a lower intensity than the red and green channels immediately after the edge. This difference in intensity contributes to the measured value of chromatic aberration.

The measured values of `aberration` and `percentAberration` for this edge are relatively small. Visual inspection of the image confirms that the sides of the edge do not have a strong color tint.

Input Arguments

chart — eSFR chart

`esfrChart` object

eSFR chart, specified as an `esfrChart` object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `measureChromaticAberration(myChart,'ROIIndex',2)` measures the chromatic aberration only of ROI 2.

ROIIndex — ROI indices

1:60 (default) | scalar | vector

ROI indices to include in measurements, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ROIIndex'` and a scalar or vector of integers in the range [1, 60]. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by `displayChart`.

Note `measureChromaticAberration` uses the intersection of ROIs specified by `'ROIIndex'` and `'ROIOrientation'`.

Example: 29:32

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32

ROIorientation — ROI orientation

'both' (default) | 'vertical' | 'horizontal'

ROI orientation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ROIorientation'` and `'both'`, `'vertical'`, or `'horizontal'`. The `measureChromaticAberration` function performs measurements only on ROIs with the specified orientation.

Note `measureChromaticAberration` uses the intersection of ROIs specified by `'ROIIndex'` and `'ROIorientation'`.

Example: 'vertical'

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

aberrationTable — Chromatic aberration measurements

m-by-5 table

Chromatic aberration measurements, returned as an *m*-by-5 table. *m* is the number of sampled ROIs.

The five columns represent these variables:

Variable	Description
ROI	Index of the sampled ROI. The value of ROI is an integer in the range [1, 60].
aberration	Chromatic aberration, measured as the area between the maximum and the minimum red, green, and blue edge intensity profiles. The measured chromatic aberration indicates perceptual chromatic aberration. <code>aberration</code> is a scalar of type <code>double</code> .
percentAberration	Aberration, expressed as a percentage of the distance in pixels between the center of the image and the center of the ROI.
edgeProfile	Intensity profile of each color channel across the edge in the ROI. <code>edgeProfile</code> is an <i>s</i> -by-4 table, where <i>s</i> is the number of samples across the edge. The four columns represent the red, green, blue, and luminance values, averaged along the edge. Luminance (<i>Y</i>) is a linear combination of the red (<i>R</i>), green (<i>G</i>), and blue (<i>B</i>) channels according to: $Y = 0.213R + 0.715G + 0.072B$
	Note The sampling rate for the chromatic aberration measurement is about four times the sampling rate of the image.
normalizedEdgeProfile	Intensity profile, normalized between [0, 1] using 5% of the front end and tail end of data. <code>normalizedEdgeProfile</code> is an <i>s</i> -by-4 table with a similar structure to <code>edgeProfile</code> .

Tips

- Chromatic aberration is best measured at slanted edges that are:
 - Roughly orthogonal to the line connecting the center of the image and the center of the ROI
 - Farthest from the center of the image

Because chromatic aberration increases radially from the center of the image, measurements at slanted edges near the center of the image can be ignored.

- The absolute chromatic aberration reported in the `aberration` field is measured in the horizontal or vertical direction. However, chromatic aberration is a radial phenomenon, and radial measurements are more accurate.

See Also

`displayChart` | `measureSharpness`

Topics

“Anatomy of an eSFR Chart”

“Evaluate Quality Metrics on eSFR Test Chart”

Introduced in R2017b

measureColor

Measure color reproduction using Imatest® eSFR chart

Syntax

```
colorTable = measureColor(chart)
[colorTable,colorCorrectionMatrix] = measureColor(chart)
```

Description

`colorTable = measureColor(chart)` measures the color values at all color regions of interest (ROIs) of an Imatest® eSFR chart.

`[colorTable,colorCorrectionMatrix] = measureColor(chart)` also returns a color correction matrix computed using a linear least squares fit.

Examples

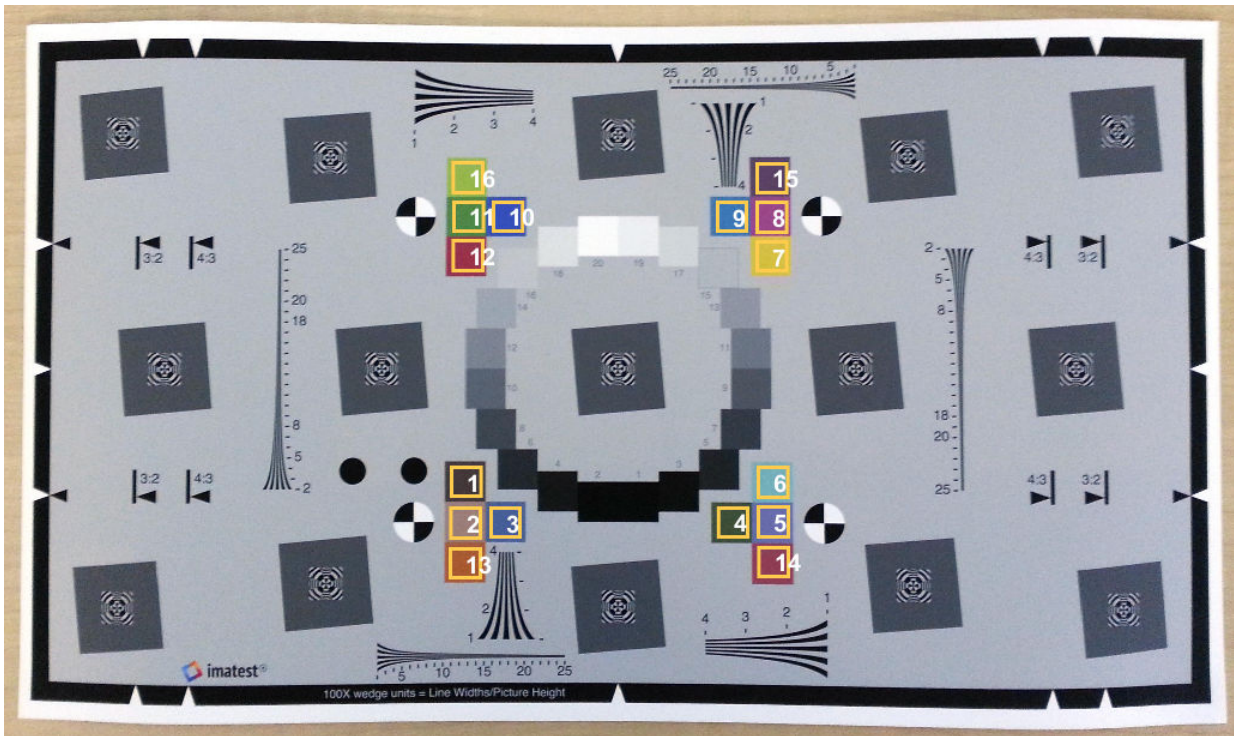
Measure Color Accuracy of eSFR Chart

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an `esfrChart` object, then display the chart with ROI annotations. The 16 color patch ROIs are labeled with white numbers.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);
displayChart(chart,'displayEdgeROIs',false, ...
    'displayGrayROIs',false,'displayRegistrationPoints',false)
```



Measure the color in all color patch ROIs.

```
colorTable = measureColor(chart)
```

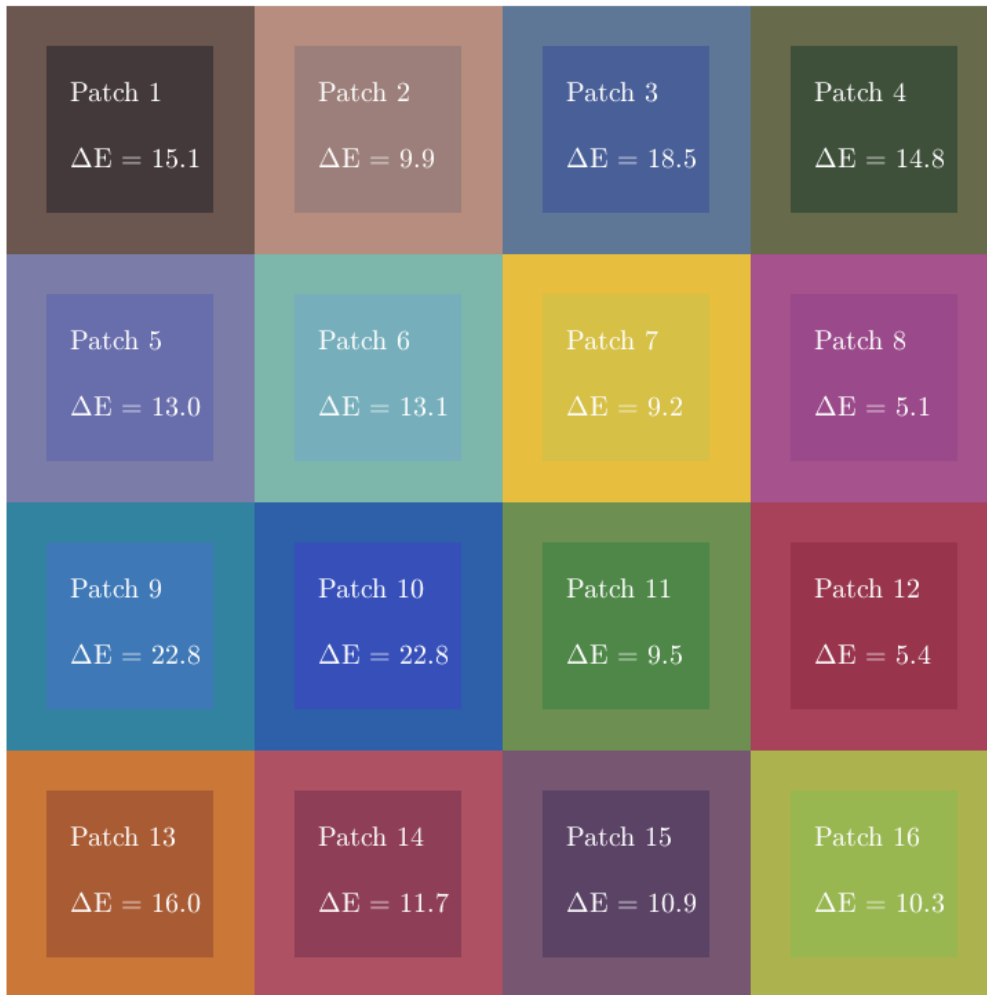
```
colorTable=16x8 table
```

ROI	Measured_R	Measured_G	Measured_B	Reference_L	Reference_a	Ref
1	67	57	58	38.586	7.541	7
2	156	127	122	62.182	13.225	1
3	73	95	152	49.369	-0.51463	-2
4	62	79	58	43.926	-6.8587	-1
5	104	109	171	53.415	9.457	-3
6	118	175	187	69.95	-20.889	-0
7	214	192	69	78.643	1.8052	0
8	154	73	138	46.853	41.998	-5
9	62	120	182	51.05	-15.166	-2
10	55	80	185	40.811	8.7346	-4

11	79	135	72	55.716	-23.419
12	152	53	77	42.759	44.167
13	169	91	52	58.211	27.58
14	142	63	87	47.012	39.15
15	91	67	102	40.591	17.951
16	152	183	80	70.505	-16.318

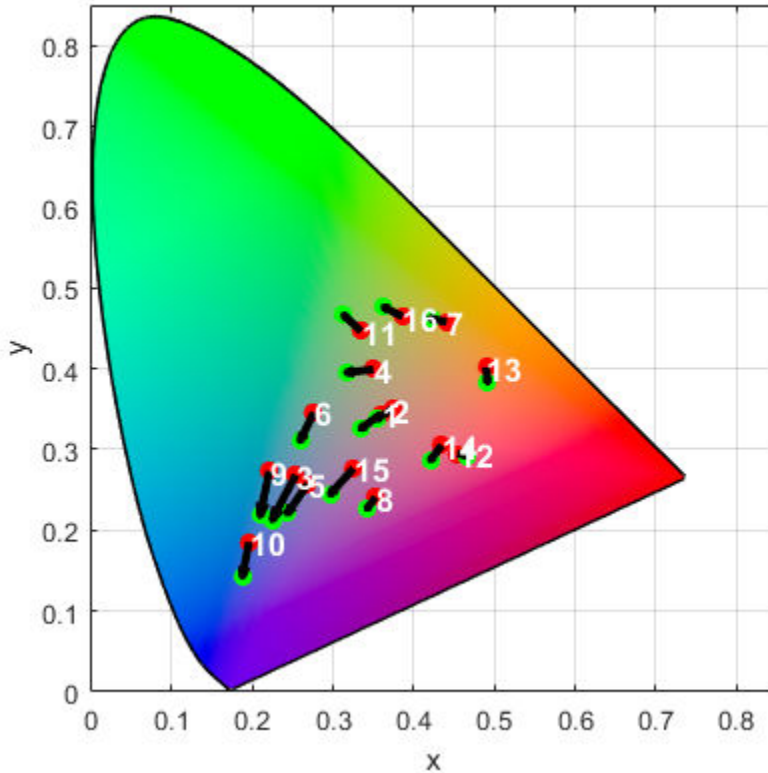
Display the color accuracy measurements. Each square color patch is the measured color, and the thick surrounding border is the reference color for that ROI. Each color accuracy measurement is displayed as `Delta_E`, the Euclidean distance between measured and reference colors in the CIE 1976 L*a*b* color space. More accurate colors have a smaller `Delta_E`.

```
figure  
displayColorPatch(colorTable)
```



For an alternative representation of the color accuracy measurements, plot the measured and reference colors in the CIE 1976 L*a*b* color space on a chromaticity diagram. Red circles indicate the reference color. Green circles indicate the measured color of each color patch. The chromaticity diagram does not portray the brightness of color.

figure
plotChromaticity(colorTable)



ROIs with a shorter distance between the reference and measurement points have smaller differences in chromaticity, which can contribute to a smaller value of ΔE . However, brightness also contributes to the value of ΔE . For example, even though the reference and measurement points for ROI 13 are near each other on the chromaticity diagram, they have a large ΔE because of their large difference in brightness.

Input Arguments

chart — eSFR chart

esfrChart object

eSFR chart, specified as an esfrChart object.

Output Arguments

colorTable — Color values

16-by-8 table

Color values in each color patch, returned as a 16-by-8 table. The 16 rows correspond to the 16 color patches on the eSFR chart.

The eight columns represent these variables:

Variable	Description
ROI	Index of the sampled ROI. The value of ROI is an integer in the range [1, 16]. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by displayChart.
Measured_R	Mean value of red channel pixels in an ROI. Measured_R is a scalar of the same data type as chart . Image, which can be of type single, double, uint8, or uint16.
Measured_G	Mean value of green channel pixels in an ROI. Measured_G is a scalar of the same data type as chart . Image.
Measured_B	Mean value of blue channel pixels in an ROI. Measured_B is a scalar of the same data type as chart . Image.
Reference_L	Reference L* value corresponding to the ROI. Reference_L is a scalar of type double.
Reference_a	Reference a* value corresponding to the ROI. Reference_a is a scalar of type double.
Reference_b	Reference b* value corresponding to the ROI. Reference_b is a scalar of type double.

Variable	Description
Delta_E	Euclidean color distance between the measured and reference color values, as outlined in CIE 1976.

colorCorrectionMatrix — Color correction coefficients

4-by-3 matrix

Color correction coefficients, returned as a 4-by-3 matrix. `colorCorrectionMatrix` represents an affine transformation, used to color-correct images that are captured under similar lighting conditions as the test chart image.

Data Types: `double`

See Also

`displayColorPatch` | `measureIlluminant` | `plotChromaticity`

Topics

“Correct Colors Using Color Correction Matrix”

“Anatomy of an eSFR Chart”

“Evaluate Quality Metrics on eSFR Test Chart”

Introduced in R2017b

measureIlluminant

Measure scene illuminant using Imatest® eSFR chart

Syntax

```
illuminant = measureIlluminant(chart)
```

Description

`illuminant = measureIlluminant(chart)` measures the scene illuminant using the gray regions of interest (ROIs) of an Imatest® eSFR chart.

Examples

Measure Illuminant of eSFR Chart

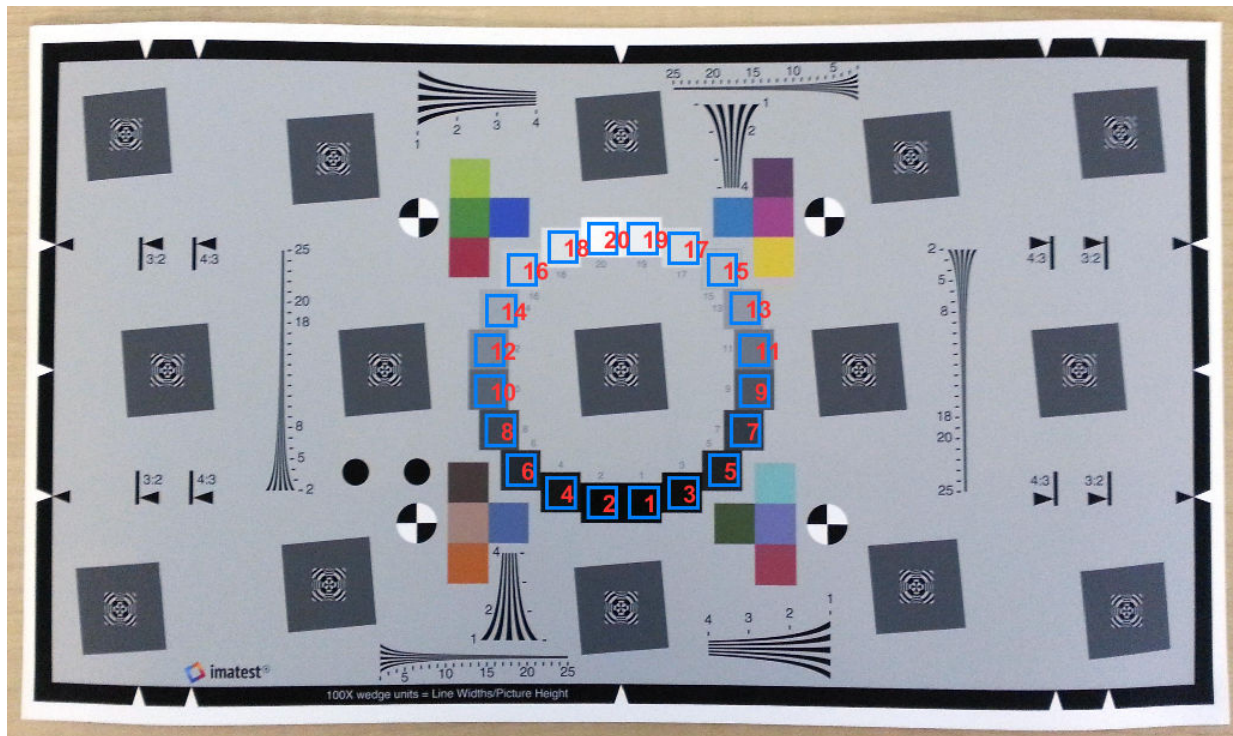
This example shows how to measure the illuminant of an eSFR chart using the gray patch ROIs. The example then white balances the image of the eSFR chart.

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an `esfrChart` object. Display the chart, highlighting the 20 gray patches.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);  
displayChart(chart, 'displayEdgeROIs', false, ...  
    'displayColorROIs', false, 'displayRegistrationPoints', false)
```



Estimate the illuminant using the gray patch ROIs. The illuminant has a stronger blue component than the red and green. This result is consistent with the image of the test chart, which has a blue tint.

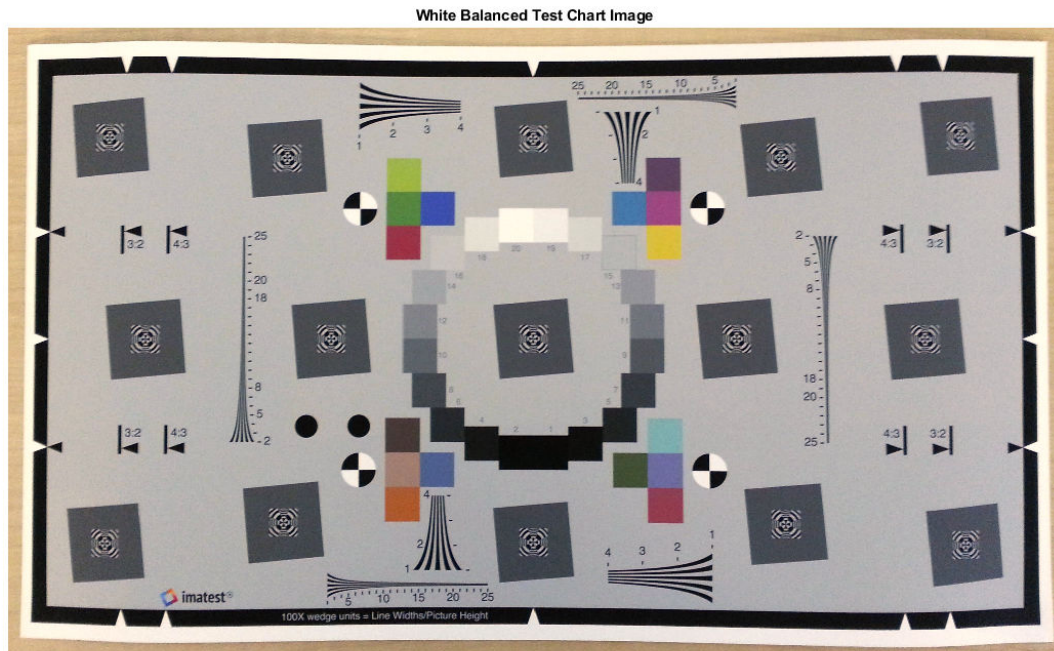
```
illum = measureIlluminant(chart)
```

```
illum = 1×3
```

```
110.9147 116.0008 123.2339
```

White balance the chart image and display the result. The white balanced image has less of a blue tint, especially in the middle gray patches and over the background of the image.

```
J = chromadapt(I,illum);
imshow(J)
title('White Balanced Test Chart Image')
```



You can use the estimated illuminant to white balance other images acquired under similar lighting conditions.

Input Arguments

chart — eSFR chart

esfrChart object

eSFR chart, specified as an esfrChart object.

Output Arguments

illuminant — Scene illuminant

3-element row vector

Scene illuminant, returned as a 3-element row vector.

Data Types: double

Tips

- To white-balance an image, use the `chromadapt` function.

See Also

`chromadapt` | `measureColor`

Topics

[“Anatomy of an eSFR Chart”](#)

[“Evaluate Quality Metrics on eSFR Test Chart”](#)

Introduced in R2017b

measureNoise

Measure noise using Imatest® eSFR chart

Syntax

```
noiseTable = measureNoise(chart)
```

Description

`noiseTable = measureNoise(chart)` measures the noise levels using the gray regions of interest (ROIs) of an Imatest® eSFR chart.

Examples

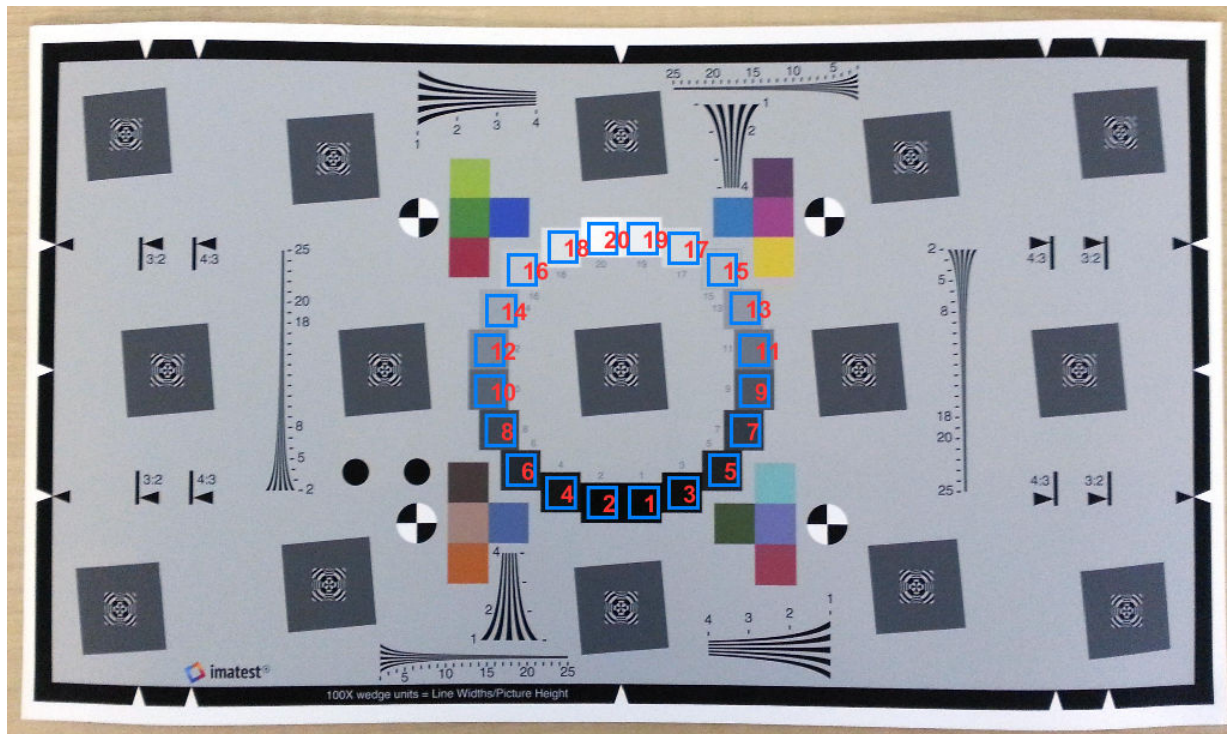
Measure Noise of eSFR Chart

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an `esfrChart` object, then display the chart with ROI annotations. The 20 gray patch ROIs are labeled with red numbers.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);  
displayChart(chart, 'displayColorROIs', false, ...  
    'displayEdgeROIs', false, 'displayRegistrationPoints', false)
```



Measure the noise in all gray patch ROIs.

```
noiseTable = measureNoise(chart)
```

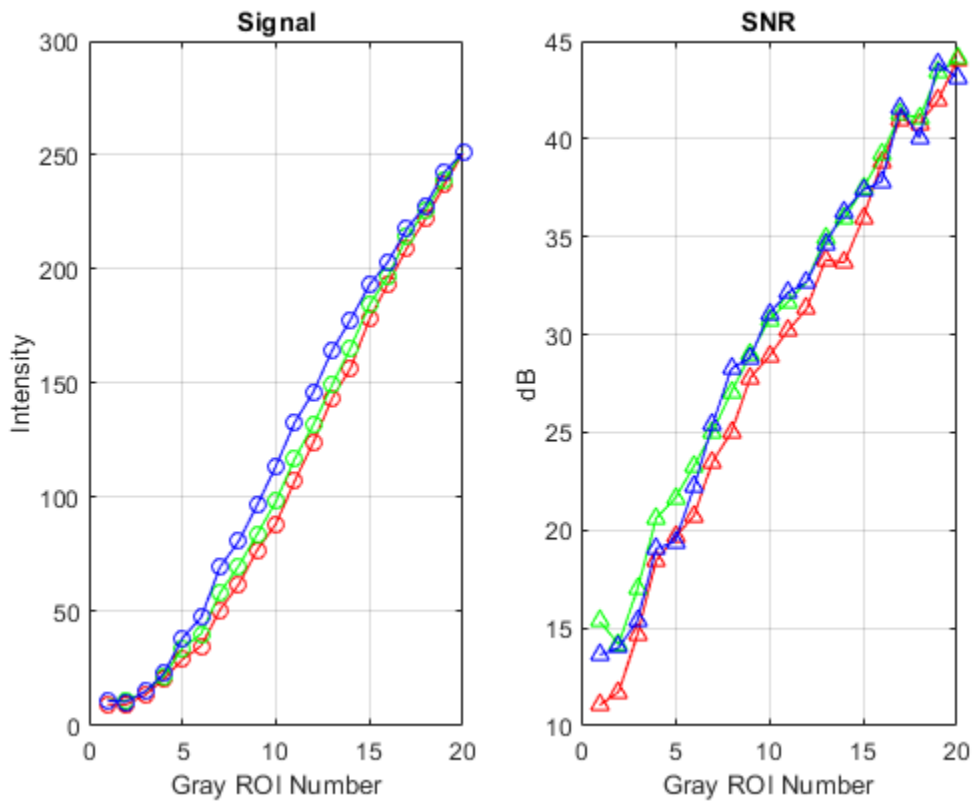
```
noiseTable=20x22 table
```

ROI	MeanIntensity_R	MeanIntensity_G	MeanIntensity_B	RMSNoise_R	RMSNoise_G	RMSNoise_B
1	9.4147	11.349	11.099	2.6335	2.6335	2.6335
2	9.2873	10.896	10.503	2.405	2.405	2.405
3	13.488	14.95	15.017	2.4966	2.4966	2.4966
4	20.411	21.689	22.946	2.4395	2.4395	2.4395
5	29.189	34.144	38.442	3.0436	3.0436	3.0436
6	35.009	40.337	47.544	3.2201	3.2201	3.2201
7	50.768	58.206	69.539	3.3931	3.3931	3.3931
8	61.871	69.98	80.779	3.4734	3.4734	3.4734
9	77.115	83.999	96.869	3.1467	3.1467	3.1467
10	88.552	98.426	113.87	3.1846	3.1846	3.1846

11	107.25	116.97	132.94	3.3128	3.0
12	124.23	131.96	146.27	3.3817	3.0
13	143.52	149.3	164.52	2.922	2.6
14	156.87	165.76	178.05	3.2507	2.6
15	178.25	184.59	193.3	2.8498	2.7
16	193.81	196.97	203.42	2.2181	2.7
:					

Display a graph of the mean signal and the signal to noise ratio (SNR) of the three color channels over the 20 gray patch ROIs.

```
figure
subplot(1,2,1)
plot(noiseTable.ROI,noiseTable.MeanIntensity_R,'r-o', ...
      noiseTable.ROI,noiseTable.MeanIntensity_G,'g-o', ...
      noiseTable.ROI,noiseTable.MeanIntensity_B,'b-o')
title('Signal')
ylabel('Intensity')
xlabel('Gray ROI Number')
grid on
subplot(1,2,2)
plot(noiseTable.ROI,noiseTable.SNR_R,'r-^', ...
      noiseTable.ROI,noiseTable.SNR_G,'g-^', ...
      noiseTable.ROI,noiseTable.SNR_B,'b-^')
title('SNR')
ylabel('dB')
xlabel('Gray ROI Number')
grid on
```



Input Arguments

chart — eSFR chart

esfrChart object

eSFR chart, specified as an esfrChart object.

Output Arguments

noiseTable — Noise values

20-by-22 table

Noise values of each gray patch, returned as a 20-by-22 table. The 20 rows correspond to the 20 gray patches on the eSFR chart. The 22 columns represent the variables shown in the table. Each variable is a scalar of type `double`.

Variable	Description
ROI	Index of the sampled ROI. The value of ROI is an integer in the range [1, 20]. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by <code>displayChart</code> .
MeanIntensity_R	Mean value of red channel pixels in the ROI.
MeanIntensity_G	Mean value of green channel pixels in the ROI.
MeanIntensity_B	Mean value of blue channel pixels in the ROI.
RMSNoise_R	Root mean square (RMS) noise of red channel pixels in the ROI.
RMSNoise_G	RMS noise of green channel pixels in the ROI.
RMSNoise_B	RMS noise of blue channel pixels in the ROI.
PercentNoise_R	RMS noise of red pixels, expressed as a percentage of the maximum of the original chart image data type.
PercentNoise_G	RMS noise of green pixels, expressed as a percentage of the maximum of the original chart image data type.
PercentNoise_B	RMS noise of blue pixels, expressed as a percentage of the maximum of the original chart image data type.
SignalToNoiseRatio_R	Ratio of signal (MeanIntensity_R) to noise (RMSNoise_R) in the red channel.
SignalToNoiseRatio_G	Ratio of signal (MeanIntensity_G) to noise (RMSNoise_G) in the green channel.
SignalToNoiseRatio_B	Ratio of signal (MeanIntensity_B) to noise (RMSNoise_B) in the blue channel.
SNR_R	Signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) of the red channel, in dB. $SNR_R = 20 * \log(\text{MeanIntensity}_R / \text{RMSNoise}_R)$.

Variable	Description
SNR_G	SNR of the green channel, in dB. $SNR_G = 20 \cdot \log(\text{MeanIntensity}_G / \text{RMSNoise}_G)$.
SNR_B	SNR of the blue channel, in dB. $SNR_B = 20 \cdot \log(\text{MeanIntensity}_B / \text{RMSNoise}_B)$.
PSNR_R	Peak SNR of the red channel, in dB.
PSNR_G	Peak SNR of the green channel, in dB.
PSNR_B	Peak SNR of the blue channel, in dB.
RMSNoise_Y	RMS noise of luminance (Y) channel pixels in the ROI.
RMSNoise_Cb	RMS noise of chrominance (Cb) channel pixels in the ROI.
RMSNoise_Cr	RMS noise of chrominance (Cr) channel pixels in the ROI.

Tips

- To linearize data for noise measurements, first undo the gamma correction of an sRGB test chart image by using the `rgb2lin` function. Then, create an `esfrChart` object from the linear image, and input the `esfrChart` object to the `measureNoise` function.

See Also

`displayChart` | `measureIlluminant`

Topics

“Anatomy of an eSFR Chart”

“Evaluate Quality Metrics on eSFR Test Chart”

Introduced in R2017b

measureSharpness

Measure spatial frequency response using Imatest® eSFR chart

Syntax

```
sharpnessTable = measureSharpness(chart)
sharpnessTable = measureSharpness(chart,Name,Value)
[sharpnessTable,aggregateSharpnessTable] = measureSharpness( ___ )
```

Description

`sharpnessTable = measureSharpness(chart)` measures the spatial frequency response (SFR) at all slanted edge regions of interest (ROIs) of an Imatest® eSFR chart. `sharpnessTable` includes the frequency for each ROI at which the response drops to 50% of the initial and peak values.

`sharpnessTable = measureSharpness(chart,Name,Value)` measures the SFR at all specified slanted edge ROIs, specifying additional parameters.

`[sharpnessTable,aggregateSharpnessTable] = measureSharpness(___)` also returns the average SFR of vertical and horizontal ROIs, using the input arguments of either of the previous syntaxes.

Examples

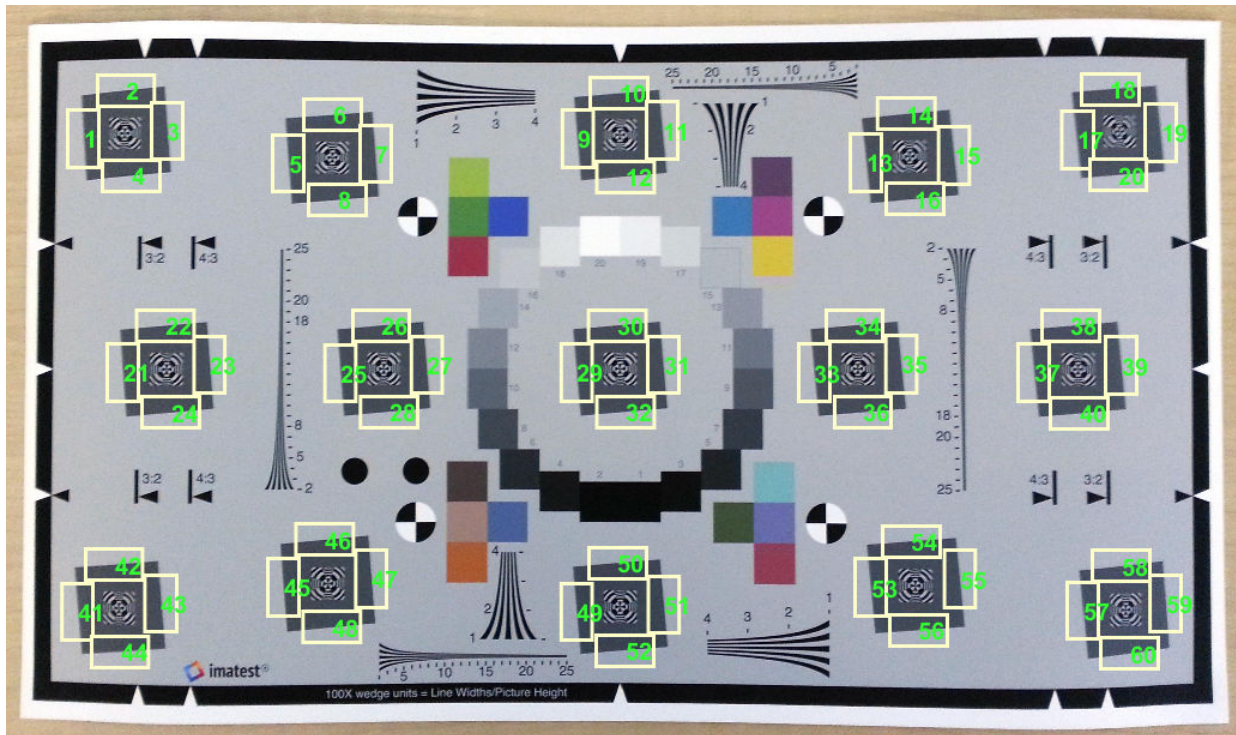
Measure Sharpness of Slanted Edges on eSFR Chart

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an `esfrChart` object, then display the chart with ROI annotations. The 60 slanted edge ROIs are labeled with green numbers.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);
displayChart(chart, 'displayColorROIs', false, ...
    'displayGrayROIs', false, 'displayRegistrationPoints', false)
```



Measure the edge sharpness in ROIs 25-28, and return the measurements in sharpnessTable. Include measurements of the MTF70 and MTF30 by specifying the 'percentResponse' name-value pair argument.

```
sharpnessTable = measureSharpness(chart, 'ROIIndex', 25:28, 'PercentResponse', [70 30])
```

sharpnessTable=4x9 table

ROI	slopeAngle	confidenceFlag	SFR	comment
25	4.2391	true	[88x5 table]	[] 0.060224 0.05
26	5.0254	true	[88x5 table]	[] 0.18561 0.1
27	4.7131	true	[88x5 table]	[] 0.070042 0.06

28

4.8996

true

[88x5 table]

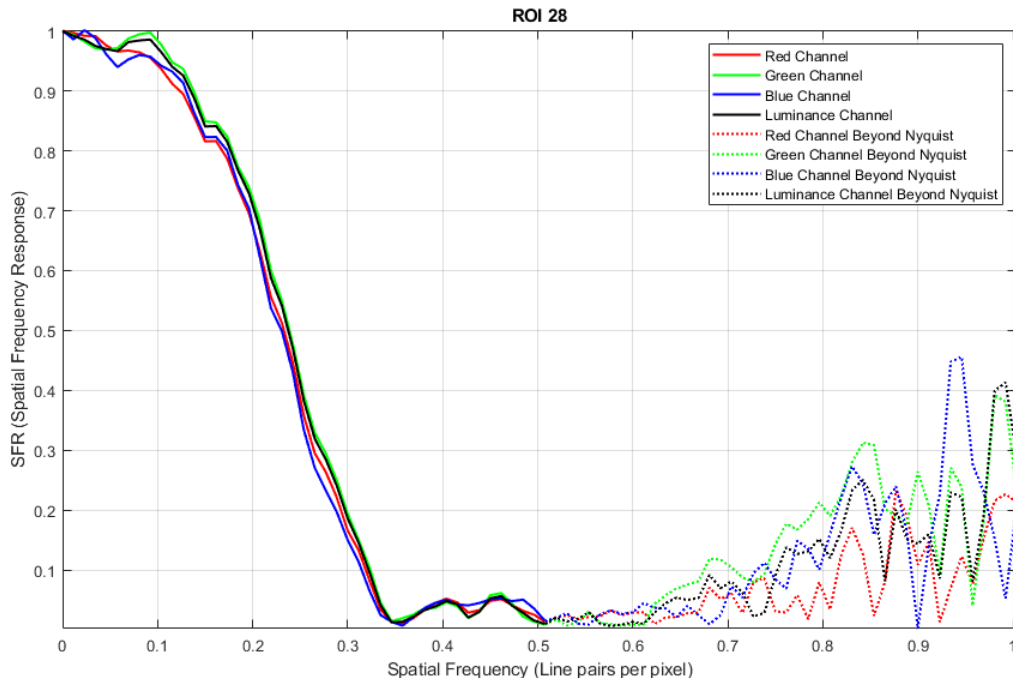
[]

0.19485

0.2

Select the fourth row in the sharpness table, which corresponds to ROI 28. Display the SFR plot of the ROI.

```
idx = 4;
plotSFR(sharpnessTable(idx,:))
```



Print the MTF70 and MTF30 measurements of the ROI. Compare the measurements against the plot.

The MTF70 measurement of the red and blue color channels are slightly smaller than 0.2, while the MTF70 measurement of the green and luminance channels are slightly larger than 0.2. These measurements agree with a visual inspection of the SFR plot, on which an SFR value of 0.7 occurs at spatial frequencies around 0.2 line pairs per pixel.

```
mtf70 = sharpnessTable.MTF70(idx,:)
```

```
mtf70 = 1×4  
    0.1949    0.2042    0.1967    0.2017
```

The MTF30 measurement of the blue color channel is noticeably smaller than the MTF30 measurement of the other color channels. This measurement agrees with a visual inspection of the SFR plot, on which the SFR curve of the blue channel drops off more quickly than the other channels.

```
mtf30 = sharpnessTable.MTF30(idx,:)
mtf30 = 1×4  
    0.2645    0.2753    0.2600    0.2719
```

Input Arguments

chart — eSFR chart

esfrChart object

eSFR chart, specified as an `esfrChart` object.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `measureSharpness(myChart, 'ROIIndex', 2)` measures the sharpness only of ROI 2.

ROIIndex — ROI indices

1:60 (default) | scalar | vector

ROI indices to include in measurements, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ROIIndex'` and a scalar or vector of integers in the range [1, 60]. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by `displayChart`.

Note `measureSharpness` uses the intersection of ROIs specified by `'ROIIndex'` and `'ROIOrientation'`.

Example: 29:32

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

ROIorientation – ROI orientation

`'both'` (default) | `'vertical'` | `'horizontal'`

ROI orientation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ROIorientation'` and `'both'`, `'vertical'`, or `'horizontal'`. The `measureSharpness` function performs measurements only on ROIs with the specified orientation.

Note `measureSharpness` uses the intersection of ROIs specified by `'ROIIndex'` and `'ROIOrientation'`.

Example: `'vertical'`

Data Types: `char` | `string`

PercentResponse – Value of frequency response

50 (default) | `scalar` | `vector`

Value of frequency response at which to report the corresponding spatial frequency, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'PercentResponse'` and a scalar or vector of integers in the range [1, 100].

Each value of `PercentResponse` adds two columns to the `sharpnesTable` and `aggregateSharpnesTable` output arguments. The columns indicate the frequency at which the SFR drops to the specified percent of the initial and peak values. For example, when `PercentResponse` has the value 50, both output tables have the columns `MTF50` and `MTF50P`. These columns indicate the frequency at which the SFR drops to 50% of the initial value and peak value, respectively.

Example: 30

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical` | `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

sharpnessTable — SFR measurements of edge

m-by-*n* table

SFR measurements of edge, returned as an *m*-by-*n* table. *m* is the number of sampled ROIs. *n* changes values depending on PercentResponse. The first five columns are always present and represent these variables:

Variable	Description
ROI	Index of the sampled ROI. The value of ROI is an integer in the range [1, 60].
slopeAngle	Angle between the slanted edge and pure vertical or horizontal, depending on the ROI orientation. The angle is measured in degrees, and it is returned as a scalar of type double.
confidenceFlag	<p>Boolean flag that indicates whether the sharpness measurement is reliable. confidenceFlag is true when the measurement is reliable. confidenceFlag is false when the measurement is unreliable due to the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • slopeAngle is less than 3.5 degrees or more than 15 degrees. • The contrast within the ROI is less than 20%. <p>The contrast of a slanted edge ROI is defined as $100 * (I_{High} - I_{Low}) / (I_{High} + I_{Low})$, where IHigh and ILow are the estimated average intensities of the high and low intensity regions across the edge. The contrast is computed for only the red channel.</p>
SFR	<p>Spatial frequency response of the edge in the ROI. SFR is an <i>f</i>-by-5 table. The five columns represent the frequency value and the red, green, blue, and luminance values corresponding to that frequency. <i>f</i> is the number of frequency samples of the MTF.</p> <p>Luminance (<i>Y</i>) is a linear combination of the red (<i>R</i>), green (<i>G</i>), and blue (<i>B</i>) channels according to:</p> $Y = 0.213R + 0.715G + 0.072B$

Variable	Description
comment	When confidenceFlag is false, then comment describes the reason the measurement is unreliable. When confidenceFlag is true, then comment is the empty vector, [].

Each value of PercentResponse adds two columns that indicate the frequency at which the SFR drops to the specified percent of the initial and peak value. The format of each entry in the column is a 1-by-4 vector. The four elements correspond to the red, green, blue, and luminance channels, respectively.

aggregateSharpnessTable — Average SFR measurements of vertical and horizontal edges

table with one or two rows

Average SFR measurements of vertical and horizontal edges, returned as a table with one or two rows. aggregateSharpnessTable has one row when all sampled ROIs have the same orientation. It has two rows when the sampled ROIs have mixed orientation. aggregateSharpnessTable has three fewer columns than sharpnessTable.

The first two columns of aggregateSharpnessTable are always present and represent these variables:

Variable	Description
Orientation	Orientation of the averaged SFRs. The value of Orientation is either 'horizontal' or 'vertical'.
SFR	<p>Averaged spatial frequency response of all edges in included ROIs with the orientation specified by Orientation.</p> <p>SFR is an s-by-5 table. The five columns represent the frequency value, and the averaged red, green, blue, and luminance values corresponding to that frequency. s is the number of frequency samples of the MTF.</p> <p>Luminance (Y) is computed as a linear combination of the red (R), green (G), and blue (B) channels according to:</p> $Y = 0.213R + 0.715G + 0.072B$

Each value of PercentResponse adds two columns that indicate the frequency at which the SFR drops to the specified percent of the initial and peak value. The format of each entry in the column is a 1-by-4 vector. The four elements correspond to the red, green,

blue, and luminance channels, averaged among all sampled ROIs with the same orientation.

Tips

- Slanted edges on a properly oriented chart are at an angle of 5 degrees from the horizontal or vertical. Sharpness measurements are not accurate when the edge orientation deviates significantly from 5 degrees.
- Sharpness is higher toward the center of the imaged region and decreases toward the periphery. Horizontal sharpness is usually higher than vertical sharpness.

Algorithms

The SFR measurement algorithm is based on work by Peter Burns [1] [2]. First, `measureSharpness` determines the edge position with sub-pixel resolution for each *scan line*, or row or column of pixels perpendicular to the edge, in the ROI. For example, each row of pixels is a scan line for a near-vertical edge. Next, `measureSharpness` aligns and averages the scan lines to create an oversampled edge intensity profile. The function takes the derivative of the intensity profile and applies a windowing function. The returned SFR measurement is the absolute value of the Fourier transform of the windowed derivative.

References

- [1] Burns, Peter. "Slanted-Edge MTF for Digital Camera and Scanner Analysis." *Society for Imaging Science and Technology; Proceedings of the Image Processing, Image Quality, Image Capture Systems Conference*. Portland, Oregon, March 2000. pp 135-138.
- [2] Burns, Peter. "sfrmat3: SFR evaluation for digital cameras and scanners." URL: http://losburns.com/imaging/software/SFRedge/sfrmat3_post/index.html.

See Also

`displayChart` | `plotSFR`

Topics

“Anatomy of an eSFR Chart”

“Evaluate Quality Metrics on eSFR Test Chart”

“Fourier Transform”

Introduced in R2017b

medfilt2

2-D median filtering

Syntax

```
J = medfilt2(I)
J = medfilt2(I,[m n])
J = medfilt2( ____,padopt)
```

Description

`J = medfilt2(I)` performs median filtering of the image `I` in two dimensions. Each output pixel contains the median value in a 3-by-3 neighborhood around the corresponding pixel in the input image.

You optionally can compute the normalized cross-correlation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = medfilt2(I,[m n])` performs median filtering, where each output pixel contains the median value in the `m`-by-`n` neighborhood around the corresponding pixel in the input image.

`J = medfilt2(____,padopt)` controls how `medfilt2` pads the image boundaries.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

Examples

Remove Salt and Pepper Noise from Image

Read image into workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('eight.tif');
figure, imshow(I)
```



Add salt and pepper noise.

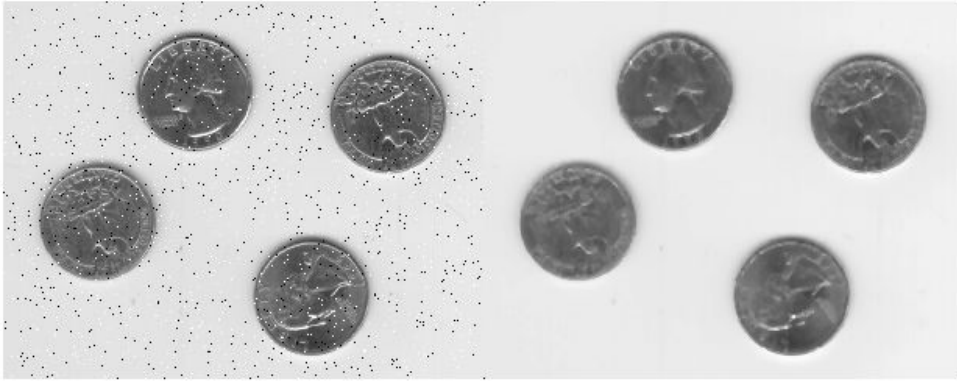
```
J = imnoise(I, 'salt & pepper', 0.02);
```

Use a median filter to filter out the noise.

```
K = medfilt2(J);
```

Display results, side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(J,K, 'montage')
```



Remove Salt and Pepper Noise from Image Using a GPU

Read the image into a `gpuArray`.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('eight.tif'));
```

Add noise to the image, then perform median filtering and display the result.

```
J = imnoise(I,'salt & pepper',0.02);  
K = medfilt2(J);  
figure, montage({J,K})
```

Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D binary image | `gpuArray`

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale or binary image.

To perform the median filtering using a GPU, specify `I` as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D grayscale or binary image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

[m n] — Neighborhood size

3-by-3 (default) | 2-element vector

Neighborhood size, specified as a 2-element vector of real positive integers.

If you perform the median filtering using a GPU, then the neighborhood must be square with odd-length sides between 3 and 15.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

padopt — Padding option

'zeros' (default) | 'symmetric' | 'indexed'

Padding option, specified as one of the following values.

Value	Description
'zeros' (default)	Pad the image with 0s.
'symmetric'	Symmetrically extend the image at the boundaries.
'indexed'	If the class of I is <code>double</code> , then pad the image with 1s; otherwise, pad with 0s.

Note The `padopt` argument is not supported on a GPU.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

J — Output image

numeric matrix | `gpuArray`

Output image, returned as a numeric matrix of the same class as the input image I.

If the median filtering is performed using a GPU, then J is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric matrix.

Tips

- Median filtering is a nonlinear operation often used in image processing to reduce "salt and pepper" noise. A median filter is more effective than convolution when the goal is to simultaneously reduce noise and preserve edges. For information about performance considerations, see `ordfilt2`.
- If the input image `I` is of an integer class, then all the output values are returned as integers. If the number of pixels in the neighborhood (i.e., $m*n$) is even, then some of the median values might not be integers. In these cases, the fractional parts are discarded. Logical input is treated similarly. For example, the true median for the following 2-by-2 neighborhood in a `uint8` array is 4.5, but `medfilt2` discards the fractional part and returns 4.

```
1 5  
4 8
```

- If you specify `padopt` as 'zeros' or 'indexed', then the padding can skew the median near the image boundary. Pixels within one-half the width of the neighborhood ($[m\ n]/2$) of the edges can appear distorted.

Algorithms

On the CPU, `medfilt2` uses `ordfilt2` to perform the filtering.

References

- [1] Lim, Jae S., *Two-Dimensional Signal and Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1990, pp. 469-476.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `medfilt2` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `medfilt2` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the `padopt` argument must be a compile-time constant.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- Padding options are not supported on the GPU.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`filter2` | `ordfilt2` | `wiener2`

Introduced before R2006a

medfilt3

3-D median filtering

Syntax

```
B = medfilt3(A)
B = medfilt3(A,[m n p])
B = medfilt3( ____,padopt)
```

Description

`B = medfilt3(A)` filters the 3-D image `A` with a 3-by-3-by-3 filter. By default, `medfilt3` pads the image by replicating the values in a mirrored way at the borders.

`B = medfilt3(A,[m n p])` performs median filtering of the 3-D image `A` in three dimensions. Each output voxel in `B` contains the median value in the *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* neighborhood around the corresponding voxel in `A`.

`B = medfilt3(____,padopt)` controls how `medfilt3` pads the array boundaries.

Examples

Use Median Filtering to Remove Outliers in 3-D Data

Create a noisy 3-D surface.

```
[x,y,z,V] = flow(50);
noisyV = V + 0.1*double(rand(size(V))>0.95) - 0.1*double(rand(size(V))<0.05);
```

Apply median filtering.

```
filteredV = medfilt3(noisyV);
```

Display the noisy and filtered surfaces together.

```
subplot(1,2,1)
hpatch1 = patch(isosurface(x,y,z,noisyV,0));
isonormals(x,y,z,noisyV,hpatch1)
set(hpatch1, 'FaceColor', 'red', 'EdgeColor', 'none')
daspect([1,4,4])
view([-65,20])
axis tight off
camlight left
lighting phong

subplot(1,2,2)
hpatch2 = patch(isosurface(x,y,z,filteredV,0));
isonormals(x,y,z,filteredV,hpatch2)
set(hpatch2, 'FaceColor', 'red', 'EdgeColor', 'none')
daspect([1,4,4])
view([-65,20])
axis tight off
camlight left
lighting phong
```



Input Argument

A — Input image

3-D, real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array

Input image, specified as a 3-D, real, nonsparse, numeric, or logical array. If the input image is an integer class, all the output values are also integers.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

[m n p] — Neighborhood size

3-by-3-by-3 (default) | three-element numeric vector

Neighborhood size, specified as a three-element numeric vector, `[m n p]`, of real positive integers. The values of m , n , and p must be odd integers.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

padopt — Padding option

'symmetric' (default) | 'zeros' | 'replicate'

Padding option, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Description
'symmetric'	Pad array with mirror reflections of itself
'replicate'	Pad array by repeating border elements
'zeros'	Pad array with 0s

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

B — Output image

3-D array

Output image, returned as a 3-D array of the same class and size as the input image `A`.

See Also

`medfilt2`

Introduced in R2016b

montage

Display multiple image frames as rectangular montage

Syntax

```
montage(filenamees)
montage(I)
montage(imagelist)
montage(imds)
montage(X,map)
montage( ____,Name,Value)
img = montage( ____ )
```

Description

`montage(filenamees)` displays a montage of the images with file names specified in `filenamees`. The images can be of different types and sizes. By default, `montage` arranges the images so that they roughly form a square.

`montage(I)` displays all frames of a multiframe image array `I`.

`montage(imagelist)` displays a montage of the images specified in the cell array `imagelist`.

`montage(imds)` displays a montage of the images specified in the image datastore `imds`.

`montage(X,map)` treats all grayscale images in `X` as indexed images and applies the specified color map `map` for all frames. If `X` is a cell array of file names, then `map` overrides any internal color map present in the image files.

`montage(____,Name,Value)` uses name-value pair arguments to customize the display of the image montage.

`img = montage(____)` returns a handle to the single image object that contains all the frames displayed.

Examples

Create Montage from Images in Files

Create a montage from a series of images in files. Make the montage a 2-by-5 rectangle. Then, create a second montage, this time using the `DisplayRange` parameter to highlight structures in the image.

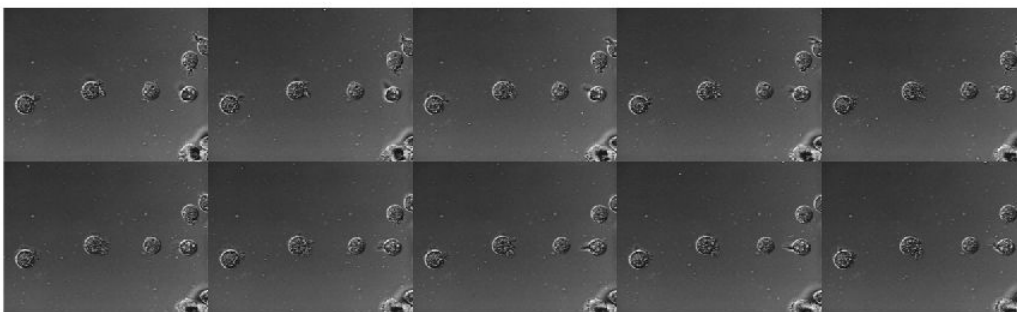
Display the Images as a Rectangular Montage

Create a string array containing a series of file names.

```
fileFolder = fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox', 'images', 'imdata');  
dirOutput = dir(fullfile(fileFolder, 'AT3_lm4_*.tif'));  
fileNames = string({dirOutput.name});
```

Display the images as a montage. Specify the shape of the montage as a 2-by-5 rectangle.

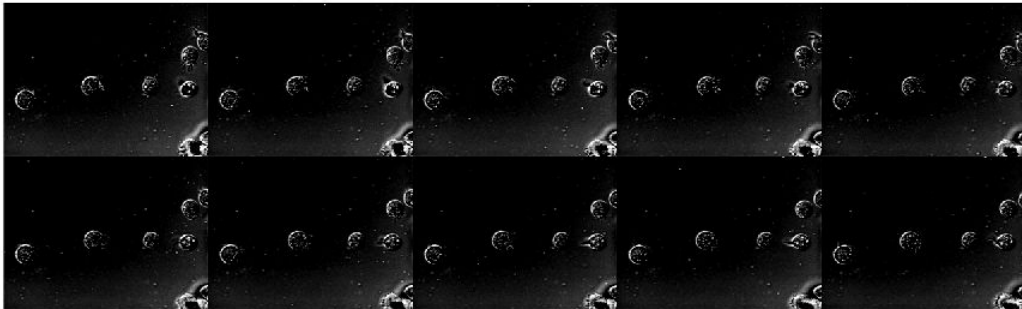
```
montage(fileNames, 'Size', [2 5]);
```



Adjust the Contrast of the Images in the Montage

In another figure, create the same 2-by-5 montage. In addition, specify the display range to adjust the contrast of the images in the montage.

```
figure  
montage(fileNames, 'Size', [2 5], 'DisplayRange', [75 200]);
```



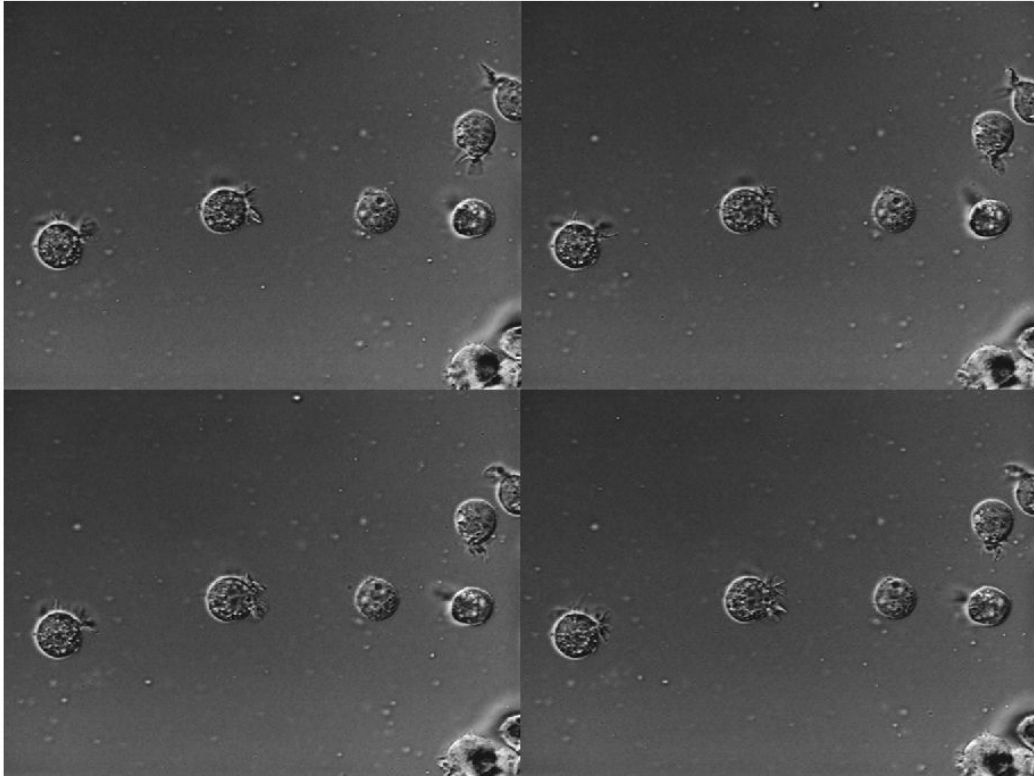
Create Montage from Multiframe Image

Create an m -by- n -by-4 multiframe image from a series of grayscale images. The images must all be the same size.

```
img1 = imread('AT3_lm4_01.tif');  
img2 = imread('AT3_lm4_02.tif');  
img3 = imread('AT3_lm4_03.tif');  
img4 = imread('AT3_lm4_04.tif');  
multi = cat(3,img1,img2,img3,img4);
```

Display a montage of the images in the multiframe image.

```
montage(multi);
```

Create Montage Containing Images of Different Types and Sizes

Read several images of different types and sizes into the workspace.

```
imRGB = imread('peppers.png');  
imGray = imread('coins.png');
```

Display a montage containing all of the images.

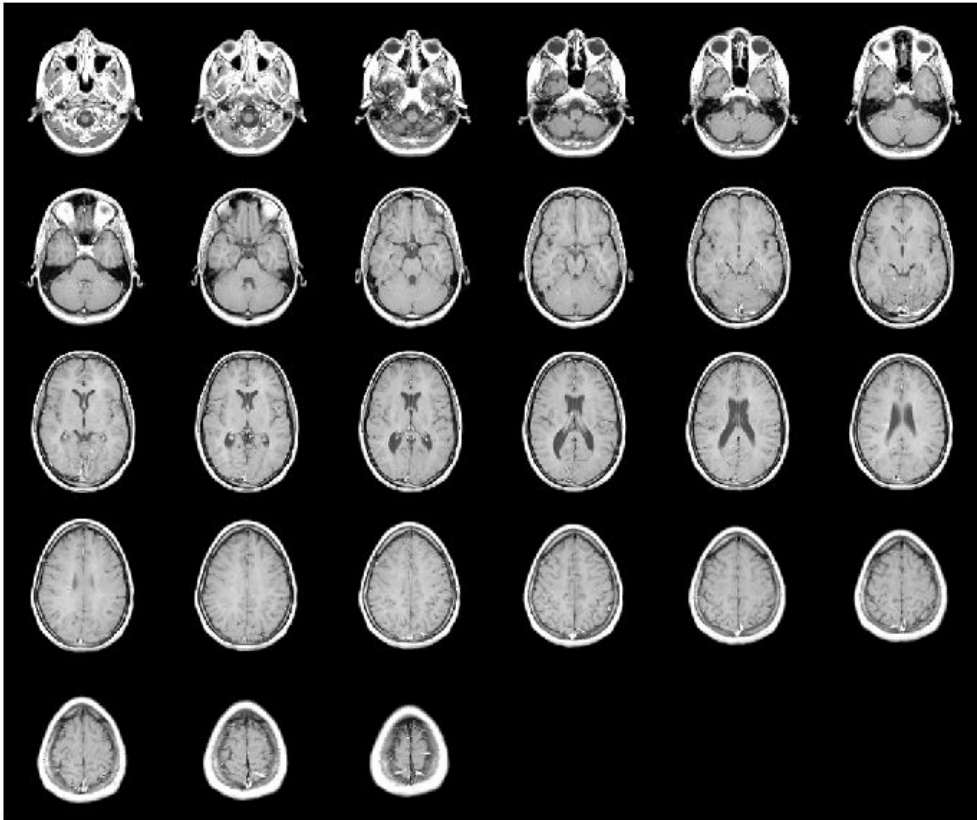
```
figure  
montage({imRGB, imGray, 'cameraman.tif'})
```



Customize Number of Images in Montage

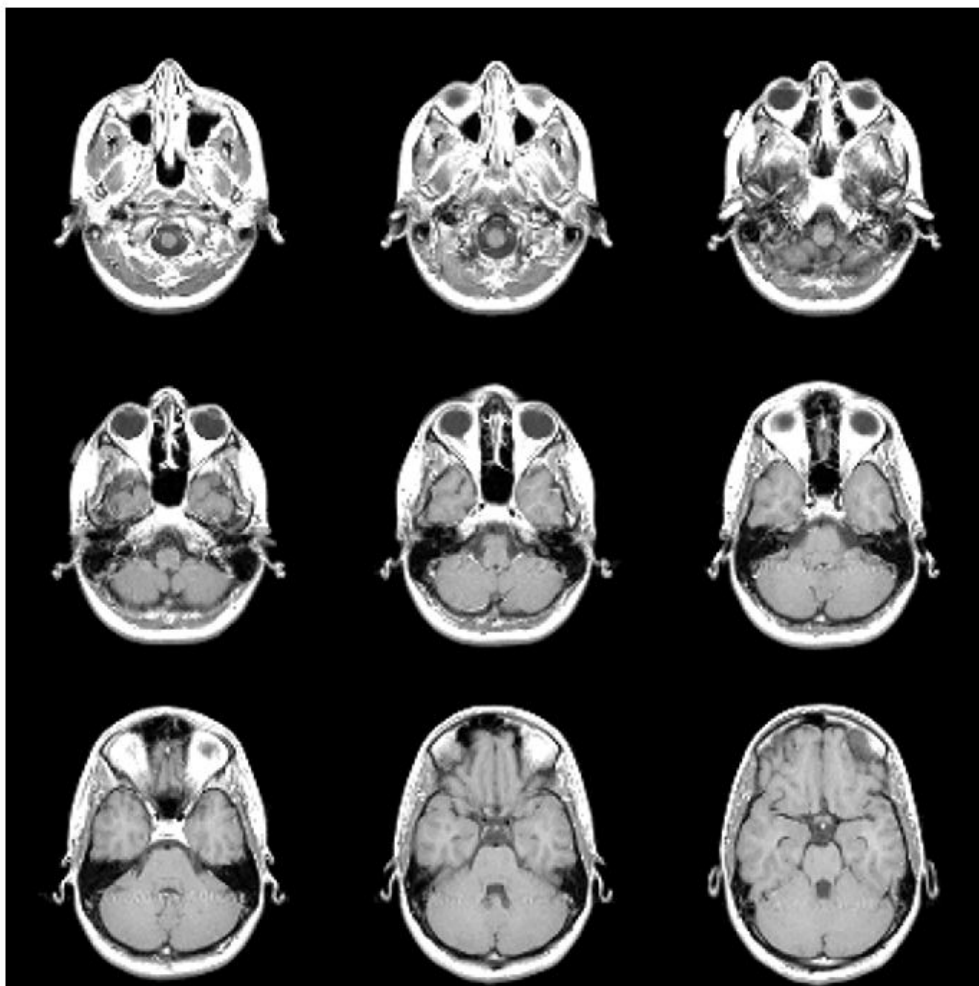
View all the images in a MRI data set using montage with default settings. There are 27 images in the set.

```
load mri
montage(D, map)
```



Create a new montage containing only the first 9 images.

```
figure  
montage(D, map, 'Indices', 1:9);
```



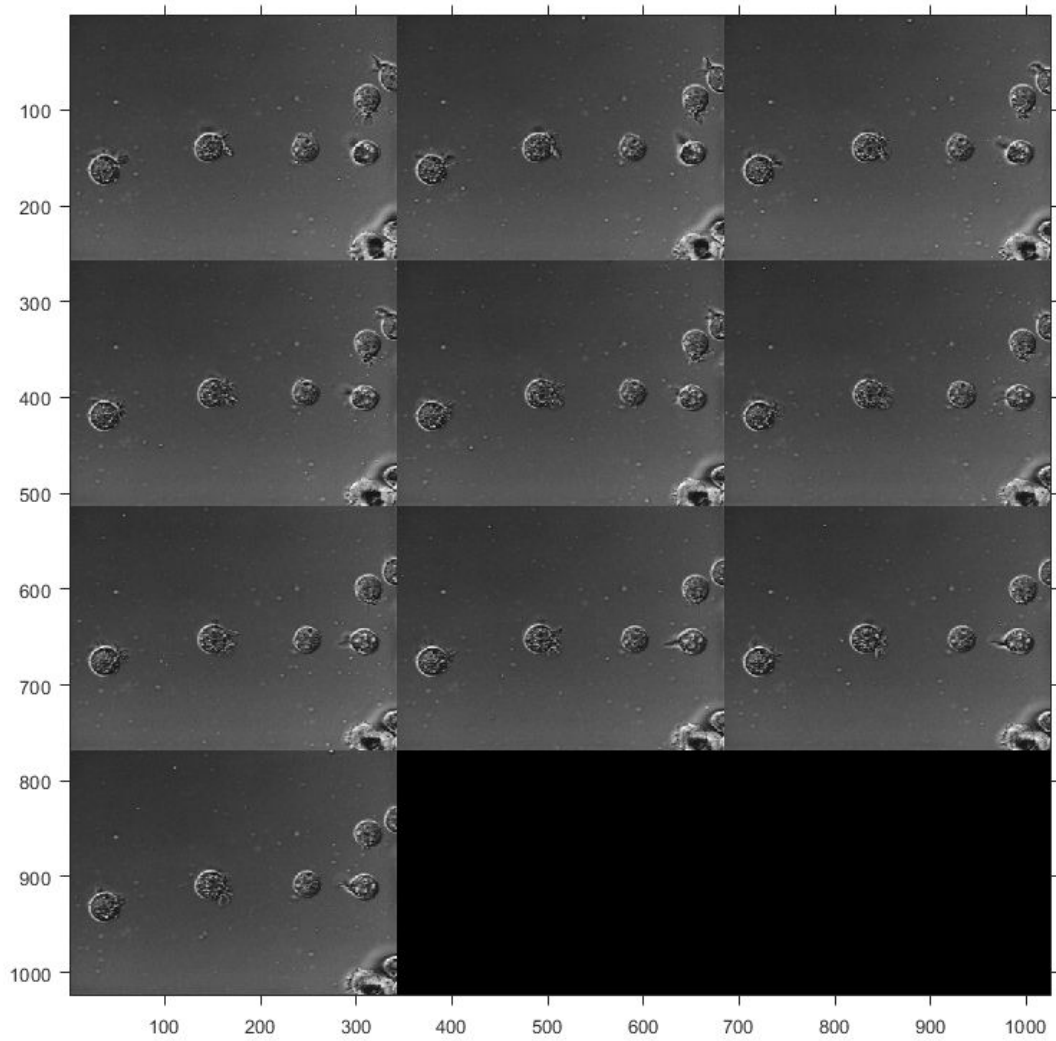
Create Montage from Image Datastore

Create an ImageDatastore containing a series of ten images from the Image Processing Toolbox™ sample image folder.

```
fileFolder = fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox', 'images', 'imdata');  
imds = imageDatastore(fullfile(fileFolder, 'AT3*'));
```

Display the contents of the ImageDatastore as a montage.

```
montage(imds)
```



Input Arguments

imds — Image data store

ImageDatastore

Image data store, specified as an ImageDatastore.

filenames — Names of files containing images

array of strings | n -by-1 or 1-by- n cell array

Names of files containing image, specified as an array of strings or an n -by-1 or 1-by- n cell array of string scalars or character vectors. If the files are not in the current folder or in a folder on the MATLAB path, then specify the full path name. See the `imread` command for more information.

Data Types: char | string | cell

imagelist — Set of images

n -by-1 or 1-by- n cell array

Set of images, specified as an n -by-1 or 1-by- n cell array of numeric matrices of size m -by- n or m -by- n -by-3.

Data Types: single | double | int16 | uint8 | uint16 | logical | cell

I — Multiframe image array

numeric array

Multiframe image array, specified as one of the following:

- m -by- n -by- k numeric array representing a sequence of k binary or grayscale images
- m -by- n -by-1-by- k numeric array representing a sequence of k binary or grayscale images
- m -by- n -by-3-by- k numeric array representing a sequence of k truecolor images

Data Types: single | double | int16 | uint8 | uint16 | logical

X — Indexed image

2-D numeric matrix

Indexed image, specified as a 2-D numeric matrix.

Data Types: single | double | uint8 | uint16 | logical

map — Color map

c-by-3 numeric matrix

Color map, specified as an *c*-by-3 numeric matrix, where *c* is the number of colors in the color map.

Data Types: double

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `montage(D,map,'Indices',1:9)`

BackgroundColor — Background color

'black' (default) | [R G B] | short name | long name

Background color, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec`. The `montage` function fills all blank spaces with this color, including the space specified by `BorderSize`. If you specify a background color, then the `montage` function renders the output as an RGB image.

BorderSize — Padding around each thumbnail image

[0 0] (default) | nonnegative integer | 1-by-2 vector of nonnegative integers

Padding around each thumbnail image, specified as a nonnegative integer or a 1-by-2 vector of nonnegative integers. `montage` pads the image borders with the background color, `BackgroundColor`.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

DisplayRange — Display range

1-by-2 vector

Display range of grayscale images in array `I`, specified as 1-by-2 vector of the form [LOW HIGH]. All pixel values less than or equal to `LOW` display as black. All pixel values greater than or equal to `HIGH` display as white. If you specify an empty matrix (`[]`), then `montage` uses the minimum and maximum pixel values of the images.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Indices — Frames to display

array of positive integers

Frames to display in the montage, specified as an array of positive integers. The `montage` function interprets the values as indices into array `I` or into cell array `filenames` or `imagelist`.

By default, `montage` displays all frames or image files.

Example: `montage(I, 'Indices', 1:4)` create a montage of the first four frames in `I`

Example: `montage(I, 'Indices', 1:2:20)` displays every other frame.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Parent — Parent of the image object created by montage

axes object

Parent of the image object created by `montage`, specified as an axes object. The `montage` function resizes the image to fit the extents available in the parent axes.

Size — Number of rows and columns of images

2-element vector

Number of rows and columns of images, specified as a 2-element vector of the form `[NROWS NCOLS]`.

If you specify `NaN` or `Inf` for a particular dimension, `montage` calculates the value of the dimension to display all images in the montage. For example, if `'Size'` is `[2 NaN]`, then the montage will have two rows and the minimum number of columns to display all images. When there is a mismatch between `'Size'` and number of images (frames) specified, `montage` creates the tiled image based on `'Size'`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

ThumbnailSize — Size of each thumbnail

2-element vector of positive integers

Size of each thumbnail, in pixels, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. The aspect ratio of each image is preserved, and any blank space is filled with the background color, `BackgroundColor`.

If you specify an empty array (`[]`), `montage` uses the full size of the first image as the thumbnail size. If you specify either element as `NaN` or `Inf`, then `montage` calculates the corresponding value automatically to preserve the aspect ratio of the first image.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

img — Montage image

handle to a single image object

Montage image, returned as a handle to a single `matlab.graphics.primitive.Image` object.

Tips

- If you specify an indexed image, then `montage` converts it to RGB using the colormap present in the file.
- If there is a data type mismatch between images, then all images are rescaled to be `double` using the `im2double` function.
- When calculating the number of images to display horizontally and vertically, `montage` considers the aspect ratio of the images, so that the displayed montage is nearly square.

See Also

`ImageDatastore` | `immovie` | `implay` | `imshow` | `imtile`

Introduced before R2006a

multithresh

Multilevel image thresholds using Otsu's method

Syntax

```
thresh = multithresh(A)
thresh = multithresh(A,N)
[thresh,metric] = multithresh( ___ )
```

Description

`thresh = multithresh(A)` returns the single threshold value `thresh` computed for image `A` using Otsu's method. You can use `thresh` as an input argument to `imquantize` to convert an image into a two-level image.

`thresh = multithresh(A,N)` returns `thresh` a 1-by-`N` vector containing `N` threshold values using Otsu's method. You can use `thresh` as an input argument to `imquantize` to convert image `A` into an image with `N + 1` discrete levels.

`[thresh,metric] = multithresh(___)` returns `metric`, a measure of the effectiveness of the computed thresholds. `metric` is in the range `[0 1]` and a higher value indicates greater effectiveness of the thresholds in separating the input image into `N + 1` regions based on Otsu's objective criterion.

Examples

Segment Image Into Two Regions

Read image and display it.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
imshow(I)
```

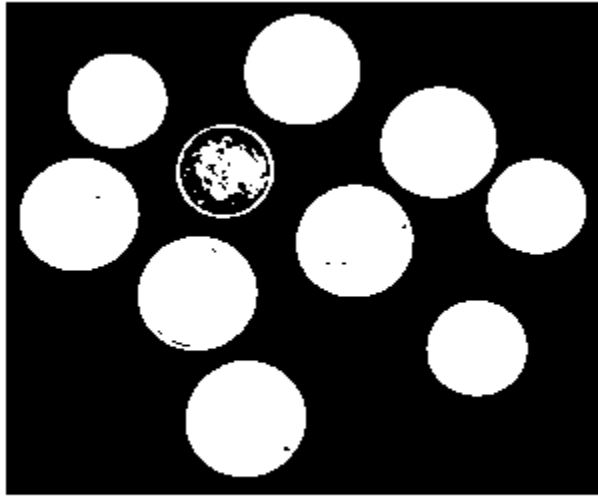


Calculate a single threshold value for the image.

```
level = multithresh(I);
```

Segment the image into two regions using `imquantize`, specifying the threshold level returned by `multithresh`.

```
seg_I = imquantize(I,level);  
figure  
imshow(seg_I,[])
```

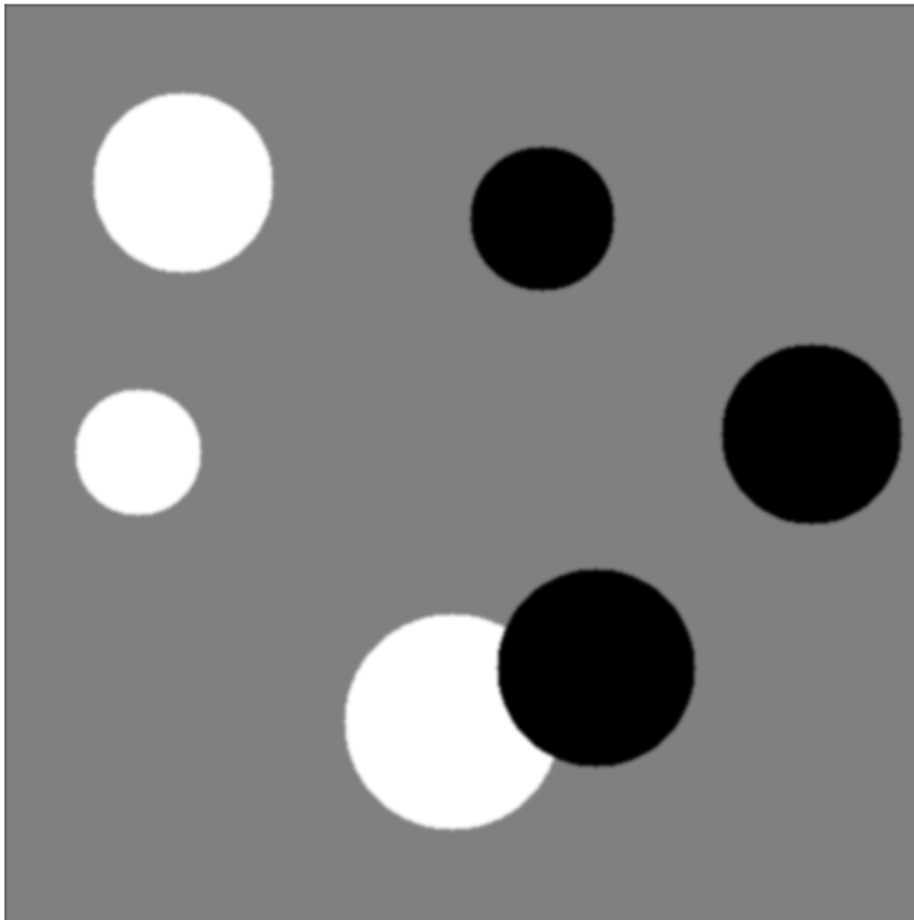


Segment Image into Three Levels Using Two Thresholds

Read image and display it.

```
I = imread('circlesBrightDark.png');  
imshow(I)  
axis off  
title('Original Image')
```

Original Image



Calculate two threshold levels.

```
thresh = multithresh(I,2);
```

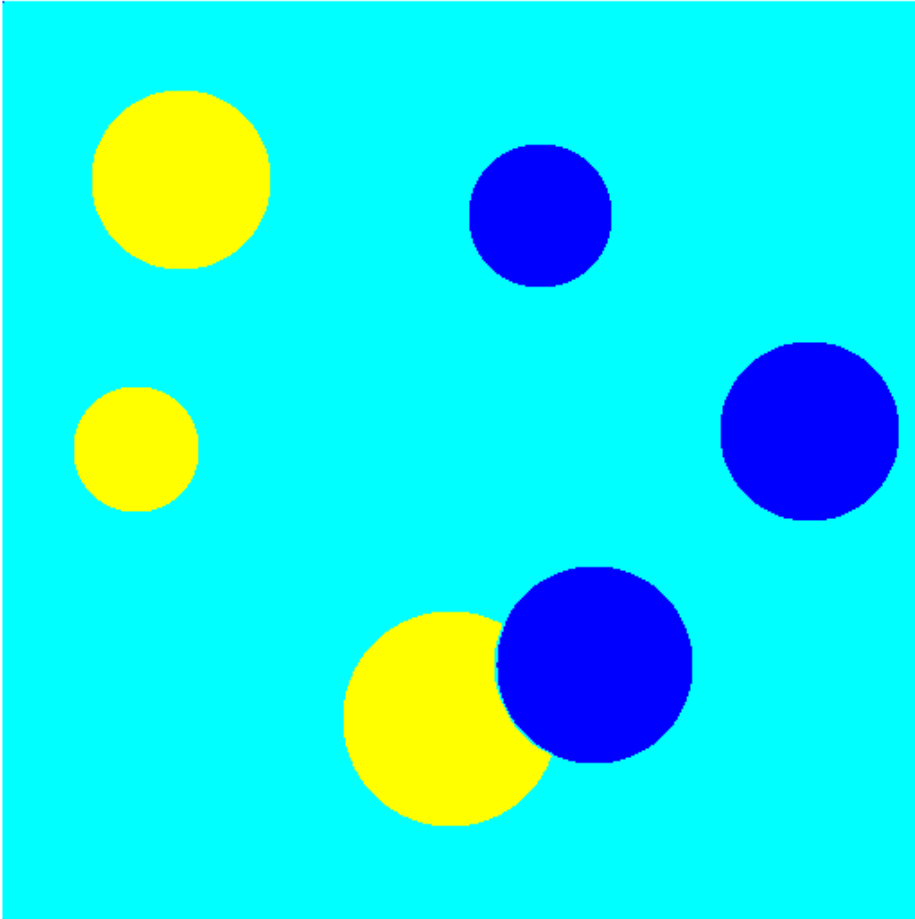
Segment the image into three levels using `imquantize`.

```
seg_I = imquantize(I,thresh);
```

Convert segmented image into color image using `label2rgb` and display it.

```
RGB = label2rgb(seg_I);  
figure;  
imshow(RGB)  
axis off  
title('RGB Segmented Image')
```

RGB Segmented Image



Compare Thresholding Entire Image Versus Plane-by-Plane Thresholding

Read truecolor (RGB) image and display it.


```
I = imread('peppers.png');  
imshow(I)  
axis off  
title('RGB Image');
```

RGB Image



Generate thresholds for seven levels from the entire RGB image.

```
threshRGB = multithresh(I,7);
```

Generate thresholds for each plane of the RGB image.

```
threshForPlanes = zeros(3,7);
```

```
for i = 1:3
```

```
    threshForPlanes(i,:) = multithresh(I(:,:,i),7);  
end
```

Process the entire image with the set of threshold values computed from entire image.

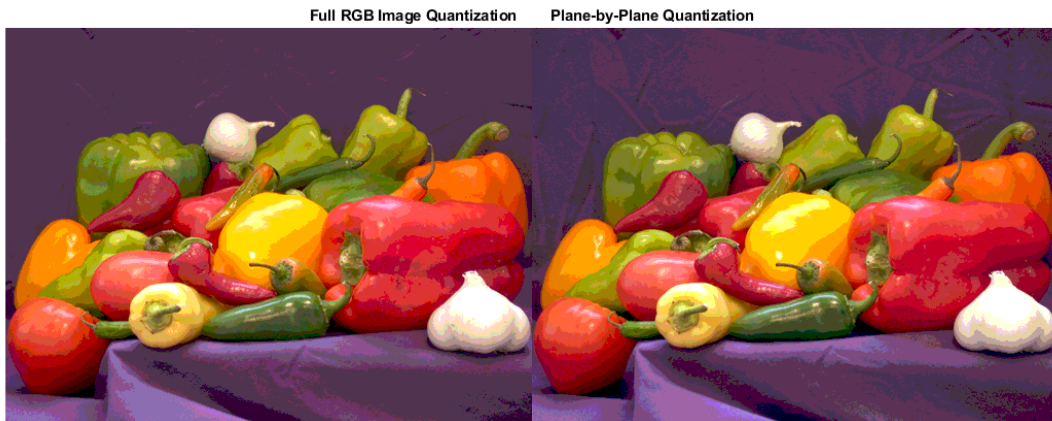
```
value = [0 threshRGB(2:end) 255];  
quantRGB = imquantize(I, threshRGB, value);
```

Process each RGB plane separately using the threshold vector computed from the given plane. Quantize each RGB plane using threshold vector generated for that plane.

```
quantPlane = zeros( size(I) );  
  
for i = 1:3  
    value = [0 threshForPlanes(i,2:end) 255];  
    quantPlane(:,:,i) = imquantize(I(:,:,i),threshForPlanes(i,:),value);  
end  
  
quantPlane = uint8(quantPlane);
```

Display both posterized images and note the visual differences in the two thresholding schemes.

```
imshowpair(quantRGB,quantPlane,'montage')  
axis off  
title('Full RGB Image Quantization           Plane-by-Plane Quantization')
```



To compare the results, calculate the number of unique RGB pixel vectors in each output image. Note that the plane-by-plane thresholding scheme yields about 23% more colors than the full RGB image scheme.

```
dim = size( quantRGB );
quantRGBmx3 = reshape(quantRGB, prod(dim(1:2)), 3);
quantPlanemx3 = reshape(quantPlane, prod(dim(1:2)), 3);

colorsRGB = unique(quantRGBmx3, 'rows' );
colorsPlane = unique(quantPlanemx3, 'rows' );

disp(['Unique colors in RGB image          : ' int2str(length(colorsRGB))]);
Unique colors in RGB image          : 188

disp(['Unique colors in Plane-by-Plane image : ' int2str(length(colorsPlane))]);
Unique colors in Plane-by-Plane image : 231
```

Check Results Using the Metric Output Argument

Read image.

```
I = imread('circlesBrightDark.png');
```

Find all unique grayscale values in image.

```
uniqLevels = unique(I(:));

disp(['Number of unique levels = ' int2str( length(uniqLevels) )]);
Number of unique levels = 148
```

Compute a series of thresholds at monotonically increasing values of N.

```
Nvals = [1 2 4 8];
for i = 1:length(Nvals)
    [thresh, metric] = multithresh(I, Nvals(i) );
    disp(['N = ' int2str(Nvals(i)) ' | metric = ' num2str(metric)]);
end

N = 1 | metric = 0.54767
N = 2 | metric = 0.98715
```

```
N = 4 | metric = 0.99648
N = 8 | metric = 0.99902
```

Apply the set of 8 threshold values to obtain a 9-level segmentation using `imquantize` .

```
seg_Neq8 = imquantize(I,thresh);
uniqLevels = unique( seg_Neq8(:) )
```

```
uniqLevels = 9×1
```

```
1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
```

Threshold the image using `seg_Neq8` as an input to `multithresh`. Set `N` equal to 8, which is 1 less than the number of levels in this segmented image. `multithresh` returns a `metric` value of 1.

```
[thresh, metric] = multithresh(seg_Neq8,8)
```

```
thresh = 1×8
```

```
1.8784    2.7882    3.6667    4.5451    5.4549    6.3333    7.2118    8.1216
```

```
metric = 1
```

Threshold the image again, this time increasing the value of `N` by 1. This value now equals the number of levels in the image. Note how the input is degenerate because the number of levels in the image is too few for the number of requested thresholds. Hence, `multithresh` returns a `metric` value of 0.

```
[thresh, metric] = multithresh(seg_Neq8,9)
```

```
Warning: No solution exists because the number of unique levels in the image are too few
```

```
thresh = 1×9
```

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

metric = 0

Input Arguments

A — Image to be thresholded

real, nonsparse numeric array of any dimension

Image to be thresholded, specified as a real, nonsparse numeric array of any dimension. `multithresh` finds the thresholds based on the aggregate histogram of the entire array. `multithresh` considers an RGB image as a 3-D numeric array and computes the thresholds for the combined data from all three color planes.

`multithresh` uses the range of the input image A, `[min(A(:)) max(A(:))]`, as the limits for computing the histogram used in subsequent computations. `multithresh` ignores any NaNs in computation. Any Infs and -Infs are counted in the first and last bin of the histogram, respectively.

For degenerate inputs where the number of unique values in A is less than or equal to N, there is no viable solution using Otsu's method. For such inputs, the return value `thresh` contains all the unique values from A and possibly some extra values that are chosen arbitrarily.

Example: `I = imread('cameraman.tif'); thresh = multithresh(I);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

N — Number of threshold values

1 (default) | positive integer scalar

Number of threshold values, specified as a positive integer scalar value. For $N > 2$, `multithresh` uses search-based optimization of Otsu's criterion to find the thresholds. The search-based optimization guarantees only locally optimal results. Since the chance of converging to local optimum increases with N, it is preferable to use smaller values of N, typically $N < 10$. The maximum allowed value for N is 20.

Example: `thresh = multithresh(I,4);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

thresh — Set of threshold values used to quantize an image

1×N vector

Set of threshold values used to quantize an image, returned as a 1-by-N vector, whose data type is the same as image A.

These thresholds are in the same range as the input image A, unlike the `graythresh` function, which returns a normalized threshold in the range [0, 1].

metric — Measure of the effectiveness of the thresholds

scalar

Measure of the effectiveness of the thresholds, returned as a scalar value. Higher values indicates greater effectiveness of the thresholds in separating the input image into N+1 classes based on Otsu's objective criterion. For degenerate inputs where the number of unique values in A is less than or equal to N, `metric` equals 0.

Data Types: `double`

References

- [1] Otsu, N., "A Threshold Selection Method from Gray-Level Histograms," *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics*, Vol. 9, No. 1, 1979, pp. 62-66.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `multithresh` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `multithresh` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for

which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

- The input argument `N` must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`graythresh` | `im2bw` | `imquantize` | `rgb2ind`

Introduced in R2012b

niftiinfo

Read metadata from NIFTI file

Syntax

```
info = niftiinfo(filename)
```

Description

`info = niftiinfo(filename)` reads metadata from the file specified by `filename`. The file must use the Neuroimaging Informatics Technology Initiative (NIFTI) format. `niftiinfo` returns the metadata in the structure `info`.

Examples

View Metadata Fields from NIFTI Header File

Load metadata from the NIFTI file `brain.nii`.

```
info = niftiinfo('brain.nii');
```

Display the version of the file.

```
info.Version
```

```
ans =  
'NIFTI1'
```

Display the pixel dimensions of the file.

```
info.PixelDimensions
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    1    1    1
```


Display the raw header content.

`info.raw`

```
ans = struct with fields:
    sizeof_hdr: 348
    dim_info: ''
    dim: [3 256 256 21 1 1 1 1]
    intent_p1: 0
    intent_p2: 0
    intent_p3: 0
    intent_code: 0
    datatype: 2
    bitpix: 8
    slice_start: 0
    pixdim: [1 1 1 1 0 0 0 0]
    vox_offset: 352
    scl_slope: 0
    scl_inter: 0
    slice_end: 0
    slice_code: 0
    xyzt_units: 0
    cal_max: 0
    cal_min: 0
    slice_duration: 0
    toffset: 0
    descrip: ''
    aux_file: ''
    qform_code: 0
    sform_code: 0
    quatern_b: 0
    quatern_c: 0
    quatern_d: 0
    qoffset_x: 0
    qoffset_y: 0
    qoffset_z: 0
    srow_x: [0 0 0 0]
    srow_y: [0 0 0 0]
    srow_z: [0 0 0 0]
    intent_name: ''
    magic: 'n+1 '
```

Display the intent code from the raw structure.

```
info.raw.intent_code
```

```
ans = 0
```

Input Arguments

filename — Name of NIfTI file

character vector | string scalar

Name of NIfTI file, specified as a string scalar or a character vector. If you do not specify a file extension, `niftiinfo` looks for a file with the extension `.nii` (or `.nii.gz` if the file is compressed). If `niftiinfo` cannot find a file with that name, it looks for a file with the file extension `.hdr` (or `.hdr.gz` if the file is compressed). In the dual-file NIfTI format, the `.hdr` file holds the metadata associated with the volume.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

info — Metadata associated with a NIfTI volume

structure

Metadata associated with a NIfTI volume, returned as a structure.

`niftiinfo` returns the metadata from the header in simplified form. The function renames, reorders, and packages fields into easier to read MATLAB structures. For example, `niftiinfo` creates the `DisplayIntensityRange` field from the `cal_max` and `cal_min` fields of the file metadata. To view the metadata as it appears in the file, see the `raw` field of the structure returned.

References

- [1] Cox, R. W., J. Ashburner, H. Breman, K. Fissell, C. Haselgrove, C.J. Holmes, J.L. Lancaster, D.E. Rex, S.M. Smith, J.B. Woodward, and S.C. Strother. 'A (*sort of*) new image data format standard: Nifti-1. " *Neuroimage*, Vol. 22(Suppl 1):e1440, 2004.

See Also

niftiread | niftiwrite

Introduced in R2017b

niftiread

Read NIfTI image

Syntax

```
V = niftiread(filename)
V = niftiread(headerfile,imgfile)
V = niftiread(info)
```

Description

`V = niftiread(filename)` reads the NIfTI image file specified by `filename`, in the current folder or on the path, and returns volumetric data in `V`.

NIfTI (Neuroimaging Informatics Technology Initiative) is an NIH-sponsored working group to promote the interoperability of functional neuroimaging software tools. NIfTI uses a single or dual file storage format. The dual format stores data in a pair of files: a header file (`.hdr`) containing the metadata and a data file (`.img`). The single file format stores the data in a single file (`.nii`), which contains header information followed by data.

`V = niftiread(headerfile,imgfile)` reads a NIfTI header file (`.hdr`) and image file (`.img`) pair.

`V = niftiread(info)` reads a NIfTI file described by the metadata structure `info`. To create an `info` structure, use the `niftiinfo` function

Examples

Load Volume from NifTI File Using File Name

Load volumetric data from a NIfTI file. The file uses the NIfTI combined format--the image and metadata are in the same file. This type of NifTI file has the `.nii` file extension.

```
V = niftiread('brain.nii');
```

View the variable in the workspace.

```
whos V
```

Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
V	256x256x21	1376256	uint8	

Load Volume from NIfTI File Using Its Header Structure

Read the metadata from a NIfTI file.

```
info = niftiinfo('brain.nii');
```

Read the volumetric image using the metadata structure returned by `niftiinfo`.

```
V = niftiread(info);
```

View the variable in the workspace.

```
whos V
```

Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
V	256x256x21	1376256	uint8	

Input Arguments

filename — Name of NIfTI file

string scalar | character vector

Name of the NIfTI file, specified as a string scalar or character vector. If you do not specify a file extension, `niftiread` looks for a file with the `.nii` extension. If `niftiread` cannot find a file with that extension, it looks for a gzipped version of the file, with extension `.nii.gz`. If `niftiread` cannot find a file with that extension, it looks for a file with the `.hdr`, `.hdr.gz`, `.img`, or `.img.gz` file extension. If `niftiread` cannot find a file that matches any of these options, it returns an error.

Data Types: char | string

headerfile — Name of file containing metadata

string scalar | character vector

Name of the file containing metadata, specified as a string scalar or a character vector. The NIfTI header file (.hdr) holds the metadata associated with a NIfTI volume. If you do not specify a corresponding `imgfile`, then `niftiread` looks in the same folder for a file with the same name and extension `.img`.

Data Types: char | string

imgfile — Name of file containing volume

string scalar | character vector

Name of the file containing volume, specified as a string scalar or a character vector. The NIfTI image file (.img) holds the volume data. If you do not specify a corresponding header file, `niftiread` looks in the same folder for a file with the same name and extension `.hdr`.

Data Types: char | string

info — NIfTI file metadata

structure

NIfTI file metadata, specified as a structure returned by `niftiinfo`.

Data Types: struct

Note The `niftiread` function supports both NIfTI1 and NIfTI2 file formats.

Output Arguments

V — Volumetric data

numeric array

Volumetric data, returned as a numeric array.

References

- [1] Cox, R. W., J. Ashburner, H. Breman, K. Fissell, C. Haselgrove, C.J. Holmes, J.L. Lancaster, D.E. Rex, S.M. Smith, J.B. Woodward, and S.C. Strother. 'A (sort of) new image data format standard: Nifti-1. " *Neuroimage*, Vol. 22(Suppl 1):e1440, 2004.

See Also

niftiinfo | niftiwrite

Introduced in R2017b

niftiwrite

Write volume to file using NIFTI format

Syntax

```
niftiwrite(V, filename)
niftiwrite(V, filename, info)
niftiwrite(V, filename, info, Name, Value)
```

Description

`niftiwrite(V, filename)` writes the volumetric image data `V` to a file by using the Neuroimaging Informatics Technology Initiative (NIFTI) format. By default, `niftiwrite` creates a combined NIFTI file that contains both metadata and volumetric data. `niftiwrite` names the file `filename`, adding the `.nii` file extension. `niftiwrite` populates the metadata using appropriate default values and volume properties, such as size and data type.

`niftiwrite(V, filename, info)` writes the volumetric data `V` to a file, including the file metadata from `info`. If the metadata does not match the image contents and size, `niftiwrite` returns an error.

`niftiwrite(V, filename, info, Name, Value)` writes the volumetric data to a file, using options specified in `Name, Value` pairs.

Examples

Write Median-Filtered Volume to NIFTI File

Load a NIFTI image by using its `.nii` file name.

```
V = niftiread('brain.nii');
```

Filter the image in 3-D by using a 3-by-3 median filter.


```
V = medfilt3(V);
```

Write the filtered image to a `.nii` file, using default header values.

```
niftiwrite(V,'outbrain.nii');
```

Write Data to NIfTI File and Modify Header Structure

Read the metadata from a NIfTI file by using its `.nii` file name.

```
info = niftiinfo('brain.nii');
```

Read volumetric data from the file by using the file metadata.

```
V = niftiread(info);
```

Edit the Description metadata field of the file.

```
info.Description = 'Modified using MATLAB R2017b';
```

Write the volumetric data with the modified metadata to a new `.nii` file.

```
niftiwrite(V,'outbrain.nii',info);
```

Input Arguments

filename — Name of NIfTI file

character vector | string scalar

Name of NIfTI file, specified as a string scalar or character vector. By default, `niftiwrite` creates a combined format file that contains both metadata and image data and has the file extension `.nii`. If you specify the `'Compressed'` name-value pair, `niftiwrite` adds the file extension `.nii.gz`. If you set the `'Combined'` name-value pair to `false`, then `niftiwrite` creates two files with the same name and different file extensions. One file contains the metadata associated with the volume and has the file extension `.hdr`. The other file contains image data and has the file extension `.img`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

V — Volumetric data

numeric array

Volumetric data, specified as a numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

info — File metadata

structure

File metadata, specified as a structure returned by the `niftiinfo` function.

Data Types: `struct`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `niftiwrite(V, 'outbrain.nii', 'Compressed', true)`

Combined — Type of NIfTI file to create

`true` (default) | `false`

Type of NIfTI file to create, specified as `true` or `false`. If `true` (the default), `niftiwrite` creates a single file with the file extension `.nii`. If `false`, `niftiwrite` creates a pair of files with the same name but with different file extensions: `.hdr` for the file containing metadata, and `.img` for the file containing the volumetric data.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Compressed — Compress image data

`false` (default) | `true`

Compress image data, specified as `true` or `false`. If `'Compressed'` is `true`, then `niftiwrite` generates compressed files, using `gzip`, with the file name extension `.gz`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Endian — Endianness of the data`'little' (default) | 'big'`

Endianness of the data, specified as `'little'`, to indicate little-endian format (default) or `'big'`, to indicate big-endian format.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Version — NIfTI data format`'NIfTI1' | 'NIfTI2'`

NIfTI data format, specified as `'NIfTI1'` or `'NIfTI2'`. The

- If specified as `'NIfTI1'`, `niftiwrite` writes the input according to NIfTI1 data format.
- If specified as `'NIfTI2'`, `niftiwrite` writes the input according to NIfTI2 data format.
- If not specified, the default value for `'Version'` is chosen based on the maximum dimension of the input volumetric data.
 - If the maximum dimension of the input is less than or equal to 32767, the default value is NIfTI1.
 - If the maximum dimension of the input is greater than 32767, the default value is NIfTI2.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

References

- [1] Cox, R. W., J. Ashburner, H. Breman, K. Fissell, C. Haselgrove, C.J. Holmes, J.L. Lancaster, D.E. Rex, S.M. Smith, J.B. Woodward, and S.C. Strother. 'A (sort of) new image data format standard: Nifti-1.' *Neuroimage*, Vol. 22(Suppl 1):e1440, 2004.

See Also`niftiinfo` | `niftiread`**Introduced in R2017b**

niqe

Naturalness Image Quality Evaluator (NIQE) no-reference image quality score

Syntax

```
score = niqe(A)
score = niqe(A,model)
```

Description

`score = niqe(A)` calculates the no-reference image quality score for image A using the Naturalness Image Quality Evaluator (NIQE). `niqe` compares A to a default model computed from images of natural scenes. A smaller score indicates better perceptual quality.

`score = niqe(A,model)` calculates the image quality score using a custom model.

Examples

Calculate NIQE Score Using Default Feature Model

Compute the NIQE score for a natural image and its distorted versions using the default model.

Read an image into the workspace. Create copies of the image with noise and blurring distortions.

```
I = imread('lighthouse.png');
Inoise = imnoise(I,'salt & pepper',0.02);
Iblur = imgaussfilt(I,2);
```

Display the images.

```
figure
montage({I,Inoise,Iblur},'Size',[1 3])
title('Original Image | Noisy Image | Blurry Image')
```



Calculate the NIQE score for each image using the default model. Display the score.

```
niqeI = niqe(I);
fprintf('NIQE score for original image is %0.4f.\n',niqeI)

NIQE score for original image is 2.5455.

niqeInoise = niqe(Inoise);
fprintf('NIQE score for noisy image is %0.4f.\n',niqeInoise)

NIQE score for noisy image is 10.8770.

niqeIblur = niqe(Iblur);
fprintf('NIQE score for blurry image is %0.4f.\n',niqeIblur)

NIQE score for blurry image is 5.2661.
```

The original undistorted image has the best perceptual quality and therefore the lowest NIQE score.

Calculate NIQE Score Using Custom Feature Model

Load a set of natural images into an image datastore. These images are shipped in Image Processing Toolbox™ in a directory named 'imdata'.

```
setDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata');  
imds = imageDatastore(setDir,'FileExtensions',{' .jpg'});
```

Train a custom NIQE model using the image datastore.

```
model = fitniqe(imds);
```

```
Extracting features from 37 images.  
..  
Completed 4 of 37 images. Time: Calculating..  
...  
Completed 13 of 37 images. Time: 00:25 of 01:01  
...  
Completed 23 of 37 images. Time: 00:35 of 00:53  
.....  
Done.
```

Read an image of a natural scene. Display the image.

```
I = imread('car1.jpg');  
imshow(I)
```



Calculate the NIQE score for the image using the custom model. Display the score.

```
niqeI = niqe(I,model);  
fprintf('NIQE score for the image is %0.4f.\n',niqeI)
```

```
NIQE score for the image is 1.8601.
```

Input Arguments

A — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D RGB image

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale or RGB image.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

model — Custom model

`niqeModel` object

Custom model of image features, specified as a `niqeModel` object. `model` is derived from natural scene statistics.

Output Arguments

score — No-reference image quality score

nonnegative scalar

No-reference image quality score, returned as a nonnegative scalar. Lower values of score reflect better perceptual quality of image A with respect to the input `model`.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

NIQE measures the distance between the NSS-based features calculated from image A to the features obtained from an image database used to train the model. The features are modeled as multidimensional Gaussian distributions.

References

- [1] Mittal, A., R. Soundararajan, and A. C. Bovik. "Making a Completely Blind Image Quality Analyzer." *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*. Vol. 22, Number 3, March 2013, pp. 209-212.

See Also

Functions

`brisque` | `fitbrisque` | `fitniqe` | `piqe`

Objects

`niqeModel`

Topics

“Image Quality Metrics”

Introduced in R2017b

niqueModel

Naturalness Image Quality Evaluator (NIQE) model

Description

A `niqueModel` object encapsulates a model used to calculate the Naturalness Image Quality Evaluator (NIQE) perceptual quality score of an image.

Creation

You can create a `niqueModel` object using the following methods:

- `fitnique` — Train a NIQE model with parameters derived from your image datastore. Use this function if you do not have a pretrained model.
- The `niqueModel` function described here. Use this function if you have a pretrained NIQE model, or if the default model is sufficient for your application.

Syntax

```
m = niqueModel
m = niqueModel(mean,covariance,blockSize,sharpnessThreshold)
```

Description

`m = niqueModel` creates a NIQE model object with default property values that are derived from the pristine image database noted in [1].

`m = niqueModel(mean,covariance,blockSize,sharpnessThreshold)` creates a custom NIQE model and sets the Mean, Covariance, BlockSize, and SharpnessThreshold properties. You must provide all four arguments to create a custom model.

Properties

Mean — Mean of natural scene statistics (NSS) based image feature vectors

36-element numeric row vector

Mean of natural scene statistics (NSS) based image feature vectors, specified as a 36-element numeric row vector.

Example: `rand(1,36)`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Covariance — Covariance matrix of NSS-based image feature vectors

36-by-36 numeric matrix

Covariance matrix of NSS-based image feature vectors, specified as a 36-by-36 numeric matrix.

Example: `rand(36,36)`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

BlockSize — Block size used to partition an image

[96 96] (default) | 2-element row vector of positive even integers

Block size used to partition an image into nonoverlapping blocks, specified as a 2-element row vector of positive even integers. The two elements specify the number of rows and columns in each partition, respectively.

Example: `[10 10]`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

SharpnessThreshold — Sharpness threshold used to calculate feature vectors

0 (default) | real scalar in the range [0, 1]

Sharpness threshold used to calculate feature vectors, specified as a real scalar in the range [0, 1]. The threshold determines which blocks are selected to calculate the feature vectors.

Example: `0.25`

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Examples

Create NIQE Model Object with Default Properties

```
model = niqeModel

model =
    niqeModel with properties:

        Mean: [1x36 double]
        Covariance: [36x36 double]
        BlockSize: [96 96]
        SharpnessThreshold: 0
```

Create NIQE Model Object with Custom Properties

Create a `niqeModel` object using precomputed Mean, Covariance, BlockSize, and SharpnessThreshold properties. Random initializations are shown for illustrative purposes only.

```
model = niqeModel(rand(1,36),rand(36,36),[10 10],0.25);
```

You can use the custom model to calculate the NIQE score for an image.

```
I = imread('lighthouse.png');
score = niqe(I,model)

score = 3.6866
```

References

- [1] Mittal, A., R. Soundararajan, and A. C. Bovik. "Making a Completely Blind Image Quality Analyzer." *IEEE Signal Processing Letters*. Vol. 22, Number 3, March 2013, pp. 209-212.

See Also

Functions

fitnique | nique

Objects

brisqueModel

Topics

“Image Quality Metrics”

“Train and Use a No-Reference Quality Assessment Model”

Introduced in R2017b

nitfinfo

Read metadata from National Imagery Transmission Format (NITF) file

Syntax

```
metadata = nitfinfo(filename)
```

Description

`metadata = nitfinfo(filename)` returns a structure whose fields contain file-level metadata about the images, annotations, and graphics in a National Imagery Transmission Format (NITF) file. NITF is an image format used by the U.S. government and military for transmitting documents. A NITF file can contain multiple images and include text and graphic layers. `filename` is a string scalar or character array that specifies the name of the NITF file, which must be in the current directory, in a directory on the MATLAB path, or contain the full path to the file.

`nitfinfo` supports version 2.0 and 2.1 NITF files, at all Joint Interoperability Test Command (JITC) compliance levels, as well as the NATO Secondary Image Format (NSIF) 1.0. `nitfinfo` does not support NITF 1.1 files.

See Also

`isnitf` | `nitfread`

Introduced in R2007b

nitfread

Read image from NITF file

Syntax

```
X = nitfread(filename)
X = nitfread(filename,idx)
X = nitfread( __ Name,Value)
```

Description

`X = nitfread(filename)` reads the first image from the National Imagery Transmission Format (NITF) file specified by the character array `filename`. The `filename` array must be in the current folder or in a folder on the MATLAB path, or it must contain the full path to the file.

`X = nitfread(filename,idx)` reads the image with index number `idx` from a NITF file that contains multiple images.

`X = nitfread(__ Name,Value)` reads an image from a NITF image, where optional parameters control aspects of the operation.

Examples

Read Image Data from NITF File

To run this example, replace the name of the file with the name of a NITF file on your system. You can find sample NITF files on the web.

Read the second image from a NITF file containing multiple images. The example reads a subset of the image data, starting at row, column location `(100,200)`, reading every other value to `(105,205)`.

```
subsec = {[100 2 105],[200 2 205]}  
ntfdata = nitfread('your_file.ntf',2,'PixelRegion',subsec);
```

Input Arguments

filename — Name of NITF file

character vector

Name of NITF file, specified as a character vector.

Data Types: char

idx — Index number of image in NITF file

numeric scalar

Index number of image in NITF file, specified as a numeric scalar of class double.

Data Types: double

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of **Name**, **Value** arguments. **Name** is the argument name and **Value** is the corresponding value. **Name** must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as **Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN**.

Example: `ntfdata = nitfread('your_file.ntf',2,'PixelRegion',{[100 2 150],[200 2 250]});`

PixelRegion — Row and column indices of pixels to be read from file

two-element cell array containing vectors of positive integers

Row and column indices of pixels to be read from file, specified as a two-element cell array containing vectors of positive integers. Each element is a two-element vector of the form `[start stop]` or a three-element vector of the form `[start increment stop]`, where the first vector specifies the row index and the second vector specifies the column index.

Example: `{[100 150],[200 250]}` — read pixels starting at row/column location (100,200) ending at location (150,250)

{[100 2 150], [200 2 250]} — read every other pixel starting at row/column location (100,200) ending at location (150,250)

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64 | cell

Output Arguments

X — Image data from NITF file

numeric array

Image data from NITF file, returned as a numeric array.

Tips

- This function supports version 2.0 and 2.1 NITF files, and NSIF 1.0 files. Image submasks and NITF 1.1 files are not supported.

See Also

isnitf | nitfinfo

Introduced in R2007b

nlfilter

General sliding-neighborhood operations

Syntax

```
B = nlfilter(A,[m n],fun)
B = nlfilter(A,'indexed', ___)
```

Description

`B = nlfilter(A,[m n],fun)` applies the function `fun` to each `m`-by-`n` sliding block of the grayscale image `A`.

`B = nlfilter(A,'indexed', ___)` processes `A` as an indexed image, padding with 0s if the class of `A` is `uint8`, `uint16`, or `logical`, and padding with 1s otherwise.

Note `nlfilter` can take a long time to process large images. In some cases, the `colfilt` function can perform the same operation much faster.

Examples

Apply Median Filter to Image

This example shows how to apply a median filter to an image using `nlfilter`. This example produces the same result as calling `medfilt2` with a 3-by-3 neighborhood.

Read an image into the workspace.

```
A = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Convert the image to `double`.

```
A = im2double(A);
```

Create the function you want to apply to the image--a median filter.

```
fun = @(x) median(x(:));
```

Apply the filter to the image.

```
B = nfilter(A,[3 3],fun);
```

Display the original image and the filtered image, side-by-side.

```
montage({A,B})  
title('Original Image (Left) and Median Filtered Image (Right)')
```

Original Image (Left) and Median Filtered Image (Right)



Input Arguments

A — Image to be filtered

numeric array

Image to be filtered, specified as a numeric array of any class supported by `fun`. When `A` is grayscale, it can be any numeric type or `logical`. When `A` is indexed, it can be `logical`, `uint8`, `uint16`, `single`, or `double`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

[m n] — Block size

2-element vector of positive integers

Block size, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. `m` is the number of rows and `n` is the number of columns in the block.

Example: `B = nlfilter(A,[3 3],fun);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `logical`

fun — Function handle

handle

Function handle specified as a handle. The function must accept an `m`-by-`n` matrix as input and return a scalar result.

`c = fun(x)`

`c` is the output value for the center pixel in the `m`-by-`n` block `x`. `nlfilter` calls `fun` for each pixel in `A`. `nlfilter` zero-pads the `m`-by-`n` block at the edges, if necessary.

Data Types: `function_handle`

Output Arguments

B — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as numeric array. The class of `B` depends on the class of the output from `fun`.

See Also

`blockproc` | `colfilt`

Topics

"Anonymous Functions" (MATLAB)

"Parameterizing Functions" (MATLAB)

"Create Function Handle" (MATLAB)

Introduced before R2006a

normxcorr2

Normalized 2-D cross-correlation

Syntax

```
C = normxcorr2(template,A)
```

Description

`C = normxcorr2(template,A)` computes the normalized cross-correlation of the matrices `template` and `A`. The resulting matrix `C` contains the correlation coefficients.

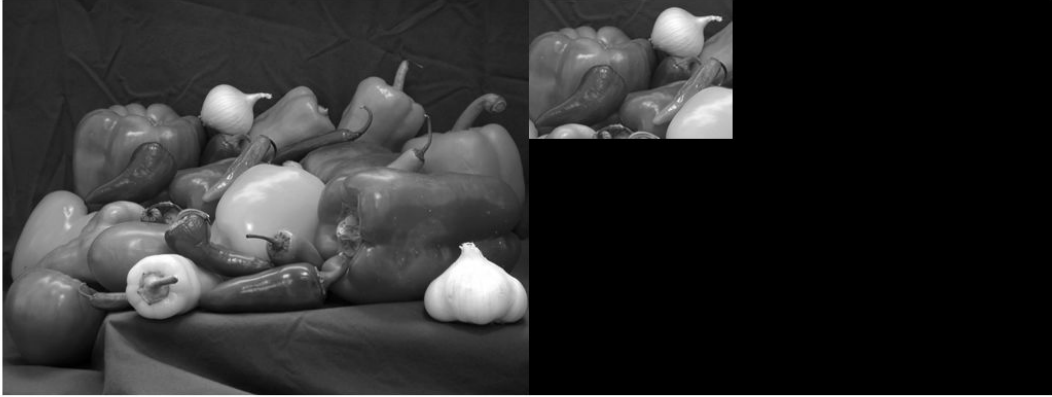
You optionally can compute the normalized cross-correlation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

Examples

Use Cross-Correlation to Find Template in Image

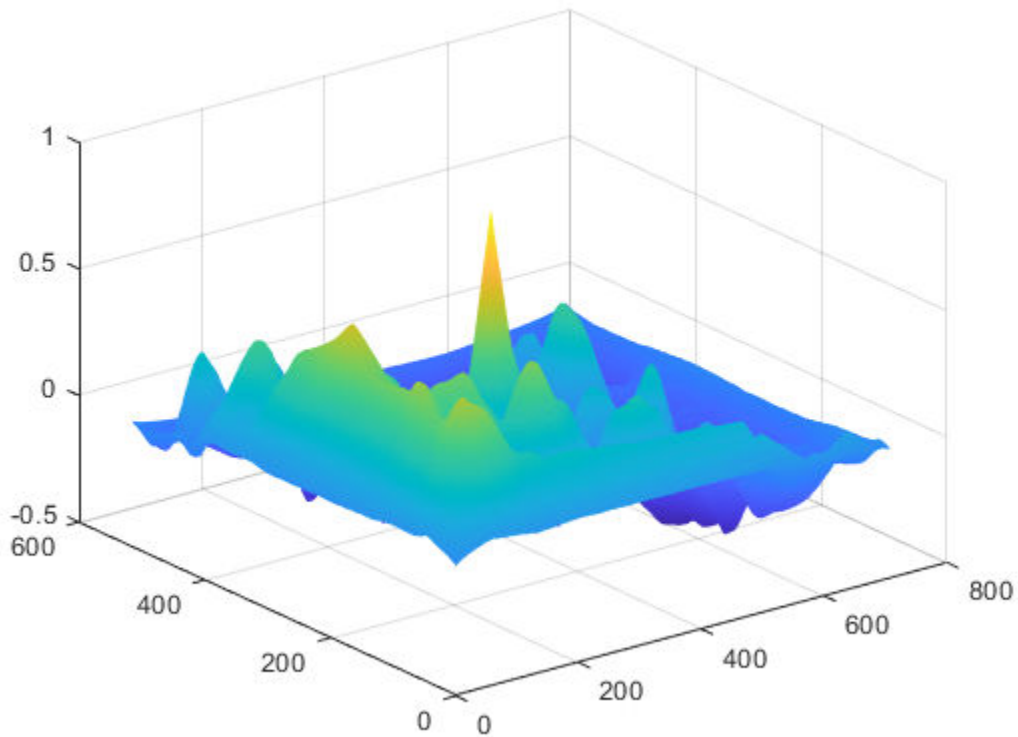
Read two images into the workspace, and convert them to grayscale for use with `normxcorr2`. Display the images side-by-side.

```
onion    = rgb2gray(imread('onion.png'));  
peppers = rgb2gray(imread('peppers.png'));  
imshowpair(peppers,onion,'montage')
```



Perform cross-correlation, and display the result as a surface.

```
c = normxcorr2(onion,peppers);  
figure, surf(c), shading flat
```



Find the peak in cross-correlation.

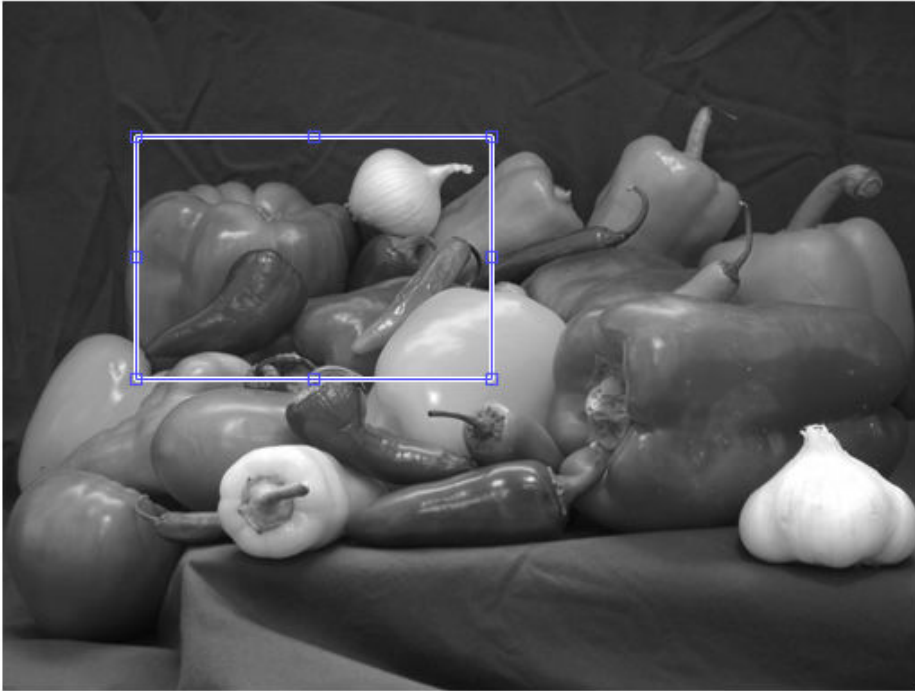
```
[ypeak, xpeak] = find(c==max(c(:)));
```

Account for the padding that `normxcorr2` adds.

```
yoffSet = ypeak-size(onion,1);  
xoffSet = xpeak-size(onion,2);
```

Display the matched area.

```
figure  
imshow(peppers);  
imrect(gca, [xoffSet+1, yoffSet+1, size(onion,2), size(onion,1)]);
```

Use Cross-Correlation to Find Template in Image on a GPU

Read two images into `gpuArrays`.

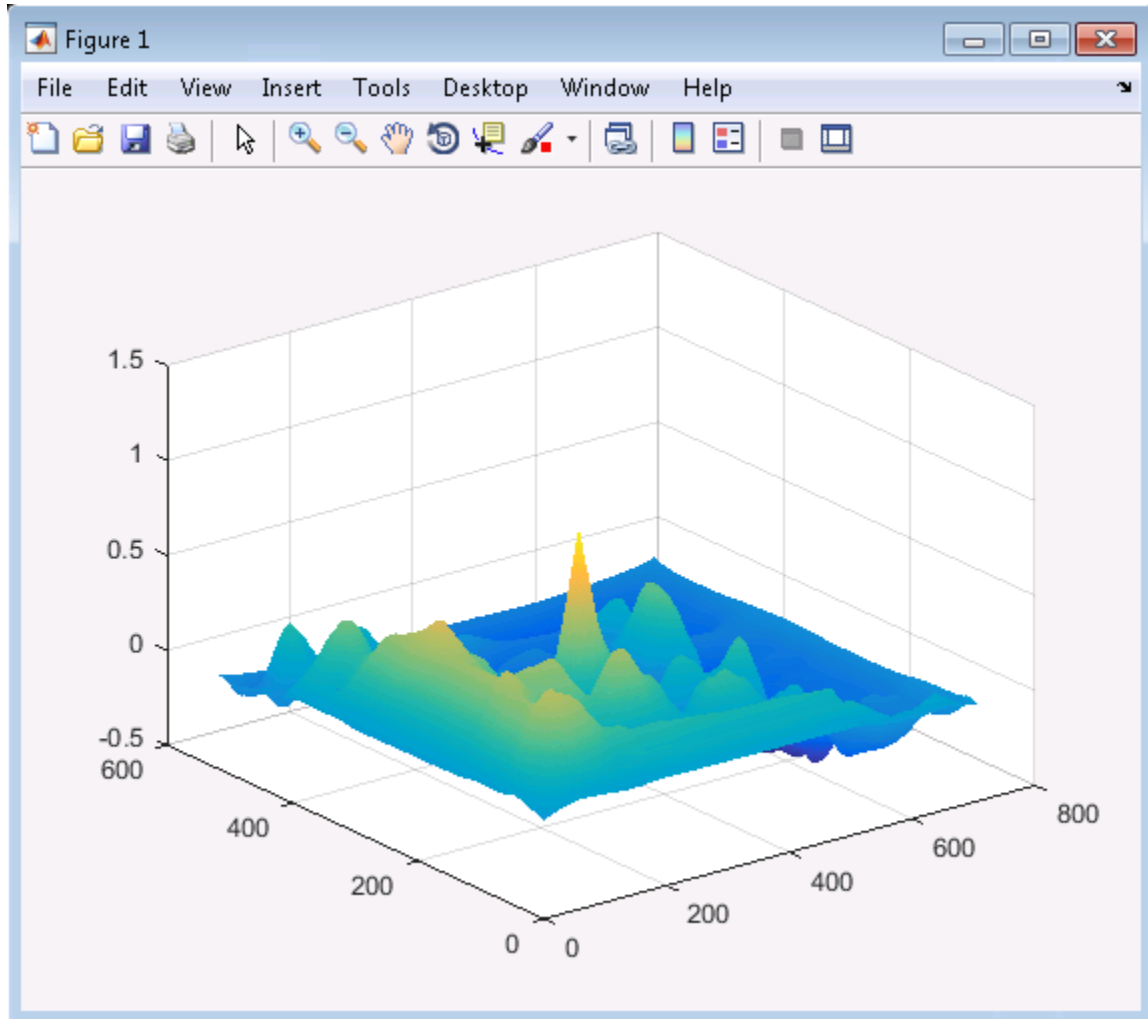
```
onion = gpuArray(imread('onion.png'));  
peppers = gpuArray(imread('peppers.png'));
```

Convert the color images to 2-D grayscale. The `rgb2gray` function accepts `gpuArrays`.

```
onion = rgb2gray(onion);  
peppers = rgb2gray(peppers);
```

Perform cross-correlation, and display the result as a surface.

```
c = normxcorr2(onion,peppers);  
figure, surf(c), shading flat
```



Find the peak in cross-correlation.

```
[ypeak, xpeak] = find(c==max(c(:)));
```

Account for the padding that normxcorr2 adds.

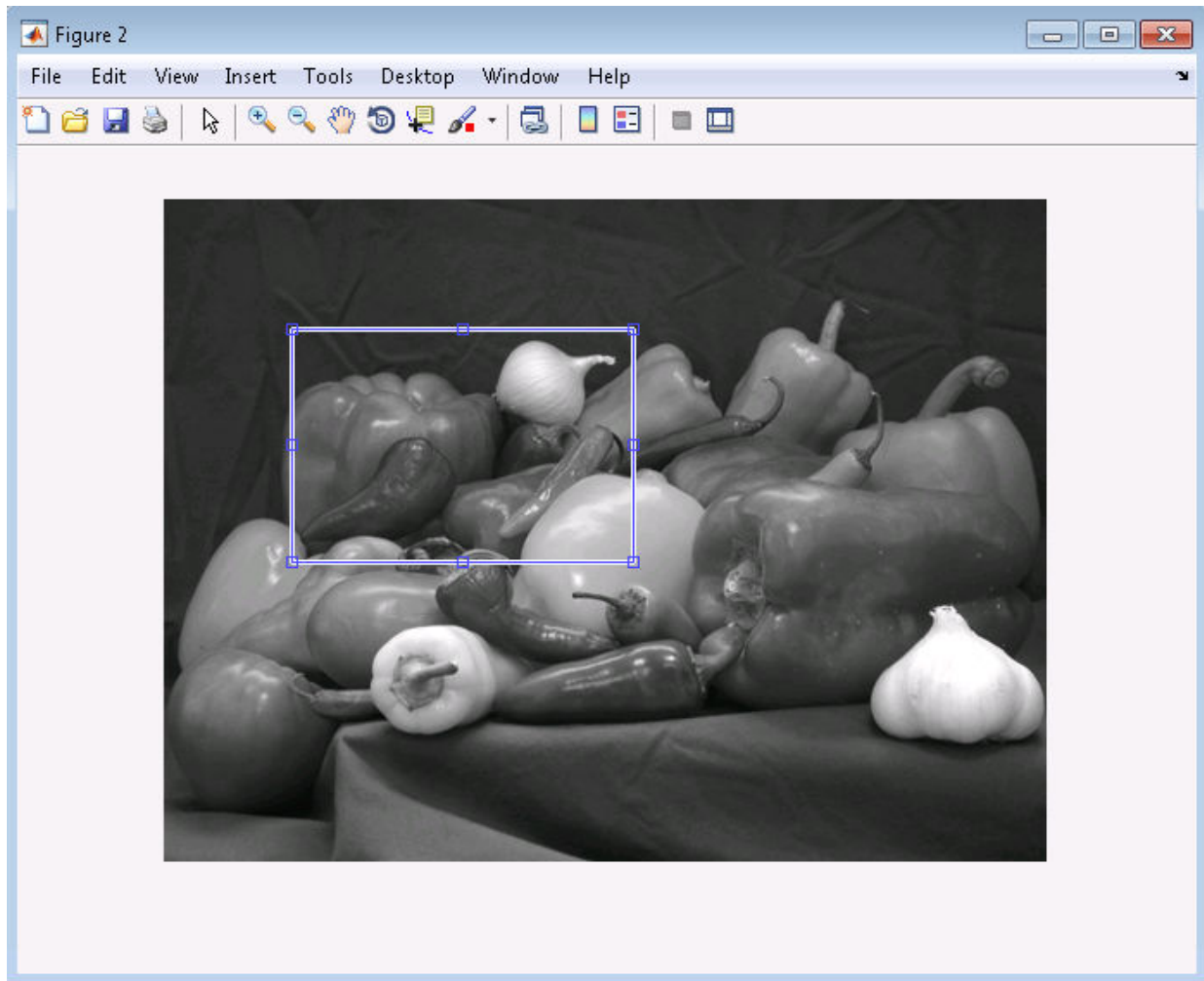
```
yoffSet = ypeak-size(onion,1);  
xoffSet = xpeak-size(onion,2);
```

Move the data back to the CPU for display.

```
yoffSet = gather(ypeak-size(onion,1));  
xoffSet = gather(xpeak-size(onion,2));
```

Display the matched area.

```
figure  
imshow(peppers);  
imrect(gca, [xoffSet+1, yoffSet+1, size(onion,2), size(onion,1)]);
```



Input Arguments

template — Input template
numeric matrix | gpuArray

Input template, specified as a numeric matrix. The values of `template` cannot all be the same.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify `template` as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

A — Input image

numeric matrix | `gpuArray`

Input image, specified as a numeric image. `A` must be larger than the matrix `template` for the normalization to be meaningful.

Normalized cross-correlation is an undefined operation in regions where `A` has zero variance over the full extent of the template. In these regions, `normxcorr2` assigns correlation coefficients of zero to the output `C`.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify `A` as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

C — Correlation coefficients

numeric matrix | `gpuArray`

Correlation coefficients, returned as a numeric matrix with values in the range `[-1, 1]`.

If the correlation coefficients are computed using a GPU, then `C` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric matrix with values in the range `[-1, 1]`.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

`normxcorr2` uses the following general procedure [1], [2]:

- 1 Calculate cross-correlation in the spatial or the frequency domain, depending on size of images.
- 2 Calculate local sums by precomputing running sums [1].
- 3 Use local sums to normalize the cross-correlation to get correlation coefficients.

The implementation closely follows the formula from [1]:

$$\gamma(u, v) = \frac{\sum_{x,y} [f(x, y) - \bar{f}_{u,v}] [t(x-u, y-v) - \bar{t}]}{\left\{ \sum_{x,y} [f(x, y) - \bar{f}_{u,v}]^2 \sum_{x,y} [t(x-u, y-v) - \bar{t}]^2 \right\}^{0.5}}$$

where

- f is the image.
- \bar{t} is the mean of the template
- $\bar{f}_{u,v}$ is the mean of $f(x, y)$ in the region under the template.

References

[1] Lewis, J. P., "Fast Normalized Cross-Correlation," *Industrial Light & Magic*

[2] Haralick, Robert M., and Linda G. Shapiro, *Computer and Robot Vision*, Volume II, Addison-Wesley, 1992, pp. 316-317.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see "Image Processing on a GPU".

See Also

corr2 | corrcoef

Introduced before R2006a

ntsc2rgb

Convert NTSC values to RGB color space

Syntax

```
RGB = ntsc2rgb(YIQ)
rgbmap = ntsc2rgb(yiqmap)
```

Description

`RGB = ntsc2rgb(YIQ)` converts the luminance (*Y*) and chrominance (*I* and *Q*) values of an NTSC image to red, green, and blue values of an RGB image.

`rgbmap = ntsc2rgb(yiqmap)` converts an NTSC colormap to an RGB colormap.

Examples

Convert Image from YIQ to RGB

This example shows how to convert an image from RGB to NTSC color space and back.

Read an RGB image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('board.tif');
```

Convert the image to YIQ color space.

```
YIQ = rgb2ntsc(RGB);
```

Display the NTSC luminance, represented by the first color channel in the YIQ image.

```
imshow(YIQ(:,:,1))
title('Luminance in YIQ Color Space')
```

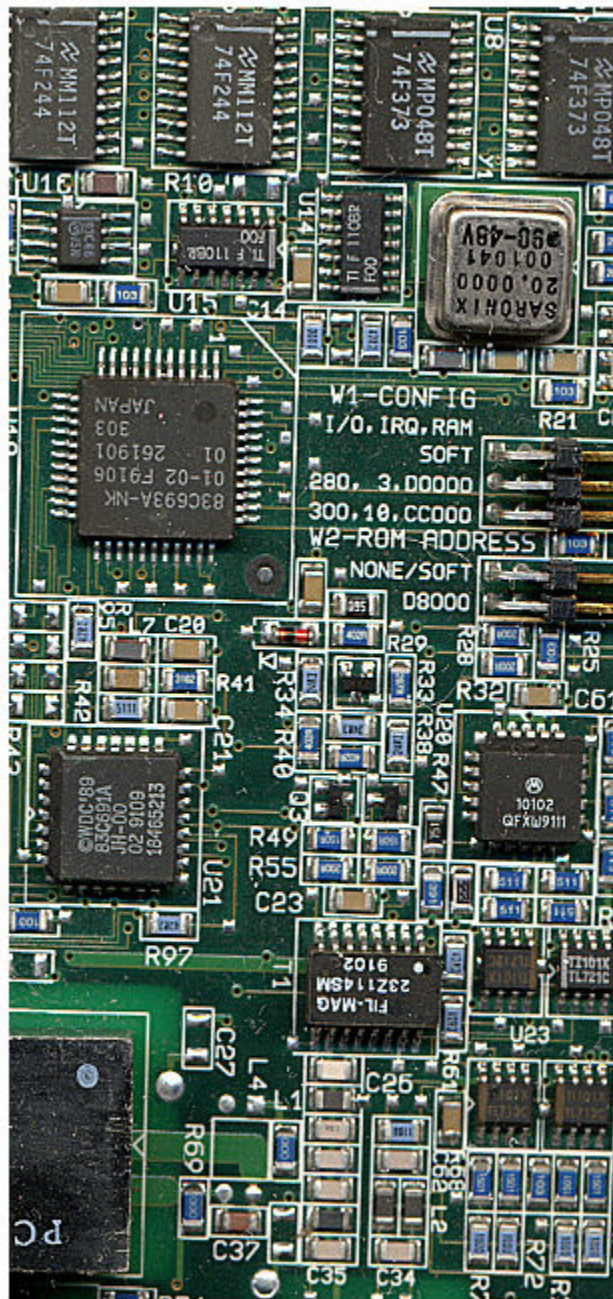

Convert the YIQ image back to RGB color space.

```
RGB2 = ntsc2rgb(YIQ);
```

Display the image that was converted from YIQ to RGB color space.

```
figure  
imshow(RGB2)  
title('Image Converted from YIQ to RGB Color Space')
```

Image Converted from YIQ to RGB Color Space



Input Arguments

YIQ — NTSC image

m-by-n-by-3 numeric array

NTSC image, specified as an *m-by-n-by-3* numeric array with values in the range [0, 1]. The third dimension of YIQ defines the luminance (*Y*) and chrominance (*I* and *Q*) for each pixel, respectively.

Data Types: `double`

yiqmap — NTSC colormap

c-by-3 numeric matrix

NTSC colormap, specified as a *c-by-3* numeric matrix with values in the range [0, 1]. The value of *c* corresponds to the number of colors in `rgbmap`. Each row of `yiqmap` is a three-element YIQ triplet that specifies the luminance (*Y*) and chrominance (*I* and *Q*) components of a single color in the colormap.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

RGB — RGB image

m-by-n-by-3 numeric array

RGB image, returned as an *m-by-n-by-3* numeric array with values in the range [0, 1]. The third dimension of RGB defines the red, green, and blue intensity of each pixel, respectively.

Data Types: `double`

rgbmap — RGB colormap

c-by-3 numeric matrix

RGB colormap, returned as a *c-by-3* numeric matrix with values in the range [0, 1]. Each row of `rgbmap` is a three-element RGB triplet that specifies the red, green, and blue components of a single color in the colormap.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

In the NTSC color space, the luminance is the grayscale signal used to display pictures on monochrome (black and white) televisions. The other components carry the hue and saturation information. The value 0 corresponds to the absence of the component, while the value 1 corresponds to full saturation of the component.

`ntsc2rgb` computes the RGB values from the NTSC components using

$$\begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.000 & 0.956 & 0.621 \\ 1.000 & -0.272 & -0.647 \\ 1.000 & -1.106 & 1.703 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Y \\ I \\ Q \end{bmatrix}.$$

See Also

[hsv2rgb](#) | [lab2rgb](#) | [rgb2ntsc](#) | [xyz2rgb](#) | [ycbcr2rgb](#)

Introduced before R2006a

offsetstrel

Morphological offset structuring element

Description

An `offsetstrel` object represents a nonflat morphological structuring element, which is an essential part of morphological dilation and erosion operations.

A nonflat structuring element is a matrix that identifies the pixel in the image being processed and defines the neighborhood used in the processing of that pixel. A nonflat structuring element contains finite values used as additive offsets in the morphological computation. The center pixel of the matrix, called the origin, identifies the pixel in the image that is being processed. Pixels in the neighborhood with the value `-Inf` are not used in the computation.

You can only use `offsetstrel` objects for morphological operations on grayscale images.

To create a flat structuring element, use `strel`.

Creation

Syntax

`SE = offsetstrel(offset)`

`SE = offsetstrel('ball',r,h)`

`SE = offsetstrel('ball',r,h,n)`

Description

`SE = offsetstrel(offset)` creates a nonflat structuring element with the additive offset specified in the matrix `offset`.

SE = `offsetstrel('ball', r, h)` creates a nonflat, ball-shaped structuring element whose radius in the x - y plane is r and whose maximum offset height is h . For improved performance, `offsetstrel` approximates this shape by a sequence of eight nonflat line-shaped structuring elements.

SE = `offsetstrel('ball', r, h, n)` creates a nonflat ball-shaped structuring element, where n specifies the number of nonflat, line-shaped structuring elements that `offsetstrel` uses to approximate the shape. Morphological operations using ball approximations run much faster when you specify a value for n greater than 0.

Input Arguments

offset — Values to be added to each pixel location in the neighborhood

numeric matrix

Values to be added to each pixel location in the neighborhood when performing the morphological operation, specified as a numeric matrix. Values that are `-Inf` are not considered in the computation.

Data Types: `double`

r — Radius of the ball-shaped structuring element

positive integer

Radius of the ball-shaped structuring element in the x - y plane, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `double`

h — Maximum offset height

real scalar

Maximum offset height, specified as a real scalar.

Data Types: `double`

n — Number of nonflat line-shaped structuring elements used to approximate the shape

8 (default) | positive even number

Number of nonflat line-shaped structuring elements used to approximate the shape, specified as a positive even number or 0.

Value of n	Behavior
$n > 0$	<code>offsetstrel</code> uses a sequence of n nonflat, line-shaped structuring elements to approximate the shape. n must be an even number.
$n = 0$	<code>offsetstrel</code> does not use any approximation. The structuring element members comprise all pixels whose centers are no greater than r away from the origin. The corresponding height values are determined from the formula of the ellipsoid specified by r and h .

Data Types: double

Properties

Offset — Structuring element neighborhood with offsets

numeric matrix

Structuring element neighborhood with offsets, specified as a numeric matrix.

Data Types: double

Dimensionality — Dimensions of structuring element

nonnegative scalar

Dimensions of structuring element, specified as a nonnegative scalar.

Data Types: double

Object Functions

`imdilate` Dilate image
`imerode` Erode image
`imclose` Morphologically close image
`imopen` Morphologically open image
`imbothat` Bottom-hat filtering
`imtophat` Top-hat filtering
`decompose` Return sequence of decomposed structuring elements
`reflect` Reflect structuring element
`translate` Translate structuring element

Examples

Create Ball-shaped Structuring Element

Create a ball-shaped structuring element.

```
SE = offsetstrel('ball',5, 6)
```

SE =

offsetstrel is a ball shaped offset structuring element with properties:

```
    Offset: [11x11 double]
 Dimensionality: 2
```

View the structuring element.

SE.Offset

```
ans = 11x11
```

```

    -Inf     -Inf         0     0.7498     1.4996     2.2494     1.4996     0.7498
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    0.7498     2.2494     2.9992     3.7491     4.4989     4.4989     4.4989     3.7491     2.9
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    -Inf     0.7498     1.4996     2.2494     2.9992     2.9992     2.9992     2.2494     1.4
    :
```

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `offsetstrel` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- The 'ball' input argument and all other input arguments must be compile-time constants.
- The methods associated with `offsetstrel` objects are not supported in code generation.

See Also

`strel`

Topics

“Structuring Elements”

Introduced before R2006a

OnePlusOneEvolutionary

One-plus-one evolutionary optimizer configuration

Description

A `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` object describes a one-plus-one evolutionary optimization configuration that you pass to the function `imregister` to solve image registration problems.

Creation

You can create a `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` object using the following methods:

- `imregconfig` — Returns a `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` object paired with an appropriate metric for registering multimodal images
- Entering

```
metric = registration.optimizer.OnePlusOneEvolutionary;
```

on the command line creates a `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` object with default settings

Properties

GrowthFactor — Growth factor of the search radius

1.05 (default) | positive scalar

Growth factor of the search radius, specified as a positive scalar. The optimizer uses `GrowthFactor` to control the rate at which the search radius grows in parameter space. If you set `GrowthFactor` to a large value, the optimization is fast, but it might result in finding only the metric's local extrema. If you set `GrowthFactor` to a small value, the optimization is slower, but it is likely to converge on a better solution.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

Epsilon — Minimum size of the search radius

1.5e-6 (default) | positive scalar

Minimum size of the search radius, specified as a positive scalar. `Epsilon` controls the accuracy of convergence by adjusting the minimum size of the search radius. If you set `Epsilon` to a small value, the optimization of the metric is more accurate, but the computation takes longer. If you set `Epsilon` to a large value, the computation time decreases at the expense of accuracy.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

InitialRadius — Initial size of search radius

6.25e-3 | positive scalar

Initial size of search radius, specified as a positive scalar. If you set `InitialRadius` to a large value, the computation time decreases. However, overly large values of `InitialRadius` might result in an optimization that fails to converge.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

MaximumIterations — Maximum number of optimizer iterations

100 (default) | positive integer scalar

Maximum number of optimizer iterations, specified as a positive integer scalar. `MaximumIterations` determines the maximum number of iterations the optimizer performs at any given pyramid level. The registration could converge before the optimizer reaches the maximum number of iterations.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

Examples

Register Images with One Plus One Evolutionary Optimizer

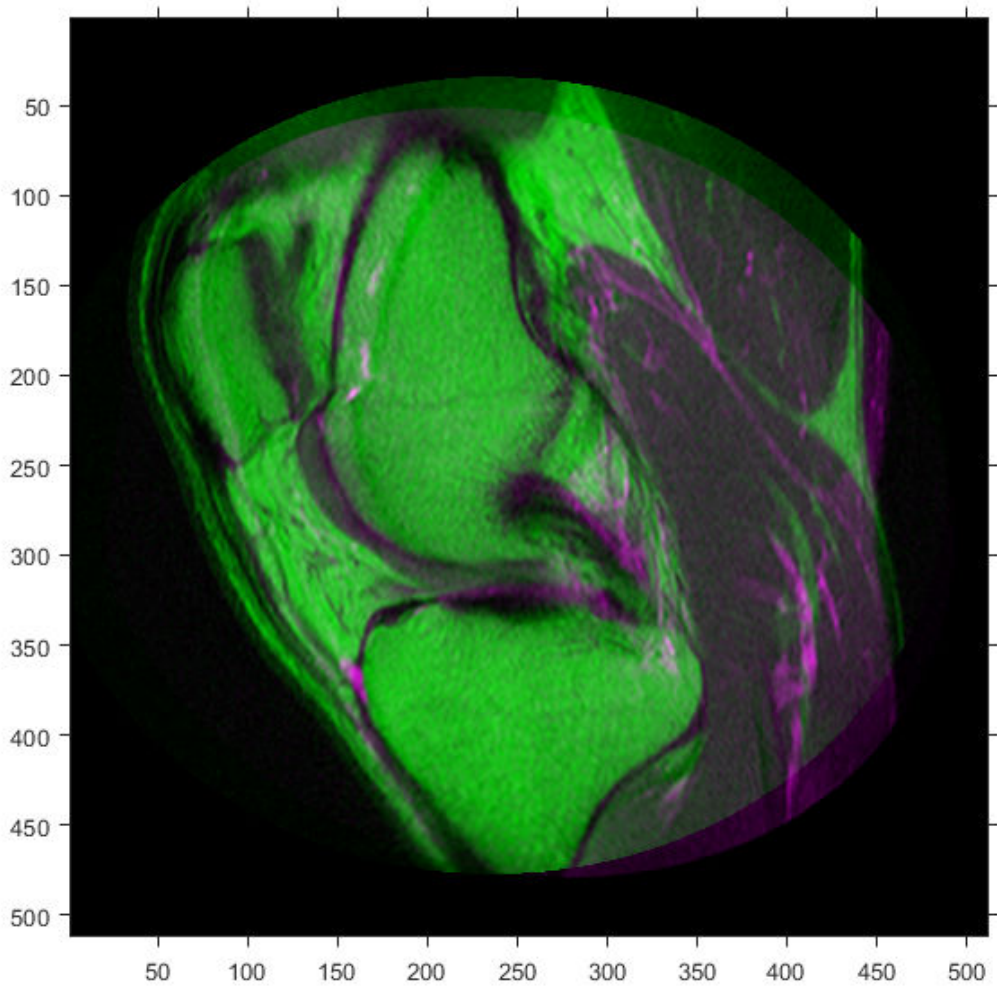
Create a `OnePlusOneEvolutionary` object and use it to register two MRI images of a knee that were obtained using different protocols.

Read the images into the workspace. The images are multimodal because they have different brightness and contrast.

```
fixed = dicomread('knee1.dcm');  
moving = dicomread('knee2.dcm');
```

View the misaligned images.

```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed, moving, 'Scaling', 'joint');
```



Create the optimizer configuration object suitable for registering multimodal images.

```
optimizer = registration.optimizer.OnePlusOneEvolutionary
```

```
optimizer =  
    registration.optimizer.OnePlusOneEvolutionary
```

```
Properties:
  GrowthFactor: 1.050000e+00
  Epsilon: 1.500000e-06
  InitialRadius: 6.250000e-03
  MaximumIterations: 100
```

Create the metric configuration object suitable for registering multimodal images.

```
metric = registration.metric.MattesMutualInformation;
```

Tune the properties of the optimizer so that the problem will converge on a global maxima. Increase the number of iterations the optimizer will use to solve the problem.

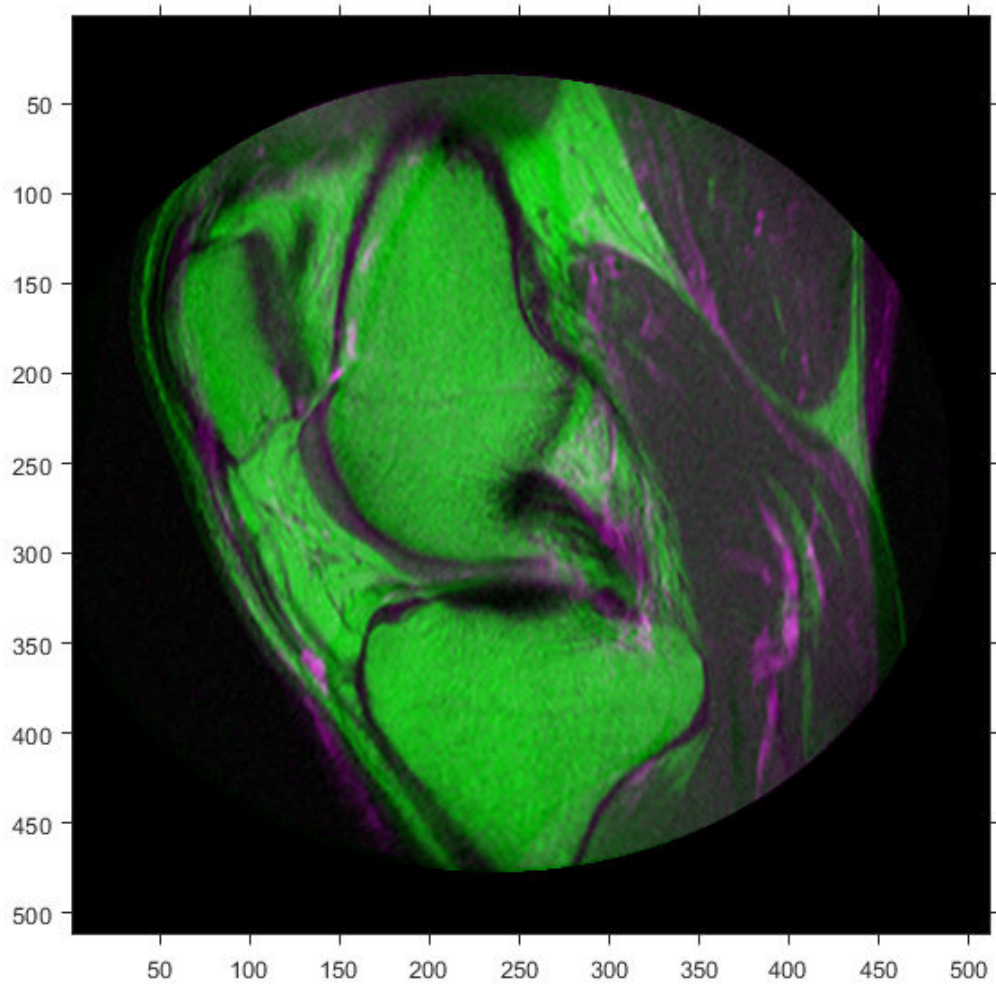
```
optimizer.InitialRadius = 0.009;
optimizer.Epsilon = 1.5e-4;
optimizer.GrowthFactor = 1.01;
optimizer.MaximumIterations = 300;
```

Perform the registration.

```
movingRegistered = imregister(moving, fixed, 'affine', optimizer, metric);
```

View the registered images.

```
figure
imshowpair(fixed, movingRegistered, 'Scaling', 'joint');
```



Algorithms

An evolutionary algorithm iterates to find a set of parameters that produce the best possible registration result. It does this by perturbing, or mutating, the parameters from the last iteration (the parent). If the new (child) parameters yield a better result, then the child becomes the new parent whose parameters are perturbed, perhaps more aggressively. If the parent yields a better result, it remains the parent and the next perturbation is less aggressive.

References

- [1] Styner, M., C. Brechbuehler, G. Székely, and G. Gerig. "Parametric estimate of intensity inhomogeneities applied to MRI." *IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging*. Vol. 19, Number 3, 2000, pp. 153-165.

See Also

Functions

`imregconfig` | `imregister`

Objects

`MattesMutualInformation` | `MeanSquares` | `RegularStepGradientDescent`

Topics

"Create an Optimizer and Metric for Intensity-Based Image Registration"

Introduced in R2012a

openrset

Open R-Set file and display R-Set

Syntax

```
openrset(filename)
```

Description

`openrset(filename)` opens the reduced resolution dataset (R-Set) file and displays the R-Set by using the `imtool` function.

Examples

Open Image Stored as R-Set File

Load an R-Set file into the workspace.

```
filename = 'mandi.rset';
```

Open the R-Set file and display the R-Set data.

```
openrset(filename)
```



Input Arguments

filename — Name of R-Set file

character vector | string scalar

Name of the R-Set file, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: char | string

See Also

`imtool` | `isrset` | `rsetwrite`

Introduced in R2010a

ordfilt2

2-D order-statistic filtering

Syntax

```
B = ordfilt2(A,order,domain)
B = ordfilt2(A,order,domain,S)
B = ordfilt2( ____,padopt)
```

Description

`B = ordfilt2(A,order,domain)` replaces each element in `A` by the `orderth` element in the sorted set of neighbors specified by the nonzero elements in `domain`.

`B = ordfilt2(A,order,domain,S)` filters `A`, where `ordfilt2` uses the values of `S` corresponding to the nonzero values of `domain` as additive offsets. You can use this syntax to implement grayscale morphological operations, including grayscale dilation and erosion.

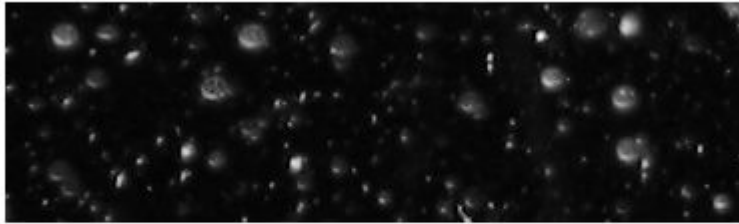
`B = ordfilt2(____,padopt)` filters `A`, where `padopt` specifies how `ordfilt2` pads the matrix boundaries.

Examples

Filter Image with Maximum Filter

Read image into workspace and display it.

```
A = imread('snowflakes.png');
figure
imshow(A)
```



Filter the image and display the result.

```
B = ordfilt2(A,25,true(5));  
figure  
imshow(B)
```



Input Arguments

A — Input matrix

2-D, real, nonsparse, numeric or logical matrix

Input matrix, specified as a 2-D, real, nonsparse, numeric or logical array.

Example: `A = imread('snowflakes.png');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

order — Element to replace the target pixel

real scalar integer

Element to replace the target pixel, specified as a real scalar integer.

Example: `B = ordfilt2(A,25,true(5));`

Data Types: `double`

domain — Neighborhood

numeric or logical matrix

Neighborhood, specified as a numeric or logical matrix, containing 1s and 0s. `domain` is equivalent to the structuring element used for binary image operations. The 1-valued elements define the neighborhood for the filtering operation. The following table gives examples of some common filters.

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Example: `B = ordfilt2(A,25,true(5));`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

S — Additive offsets

matrix

Additive offsets, specified as a matrix the same size as domain.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

padopt — Padding option

'zeros' (default) | 'symmetric'

Padding option, specified as either of the following values:

Option	Description
'zeros'	Pad array boundaries with 0's.

Option	Description
'symmetric'	Pad array with mirror reflections of itself.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

B — Output image

2-D array

Output image, returned as a 2-D array of the same class as the input image A.

Tips

- When working with large domain matrices that do not contain any zero-valued elements, `ordfilt2` can achieve higher performance if A is in an integer data format (`uint8`, `int8`, `uint16`, `int16`). The gain in speed is larger for `uint8` and `int8` than for the 16-bit data types. For 8-bit data formats, the domain matrix must contain seven or more rows. For 16-bit data formats, the domain matrix must contain three or more rows and 520 or more elements.

References

- [1] Haralick, Robert M., and Linda G. Shapiro, *Computer and Robot Vision*, Volume I, Addison-Wesley, 1992.
- [2] Huang, T.S., G.J.Yang, and G.Y.Tang. "A fast two-dimensional median filtering algorithm.", *IEEE transactions on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing*, Vol ASSP 27, No. 1, February 1979

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `ordfilt2` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic **MATLAB Host Computer** target platform, `ordfilt2` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- When generating code, the `padopt` argument must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`medfilt2`

Introduced before R2006a

otf2psf

Convert optical transfer function to point-spread function

Syntax

```
PSF = otf2psf(OTF)
PSF = otf2psf(OTF,sz)
```

Description

`PSF = otf2psf(OTF)` computes the inverse Fast Fourier Transform of the optical transfer function (OTF) and creates a point-spread function (PSF), centered at the origin.

`PSF = otf2psf(OTF,sz)` specifies the size, `sz`, of the output point-spread function.

Examples

Convert OTF to PSF

Create a point-spread function (PSF).

```
PSF = fspecial('gaussian',13,1);
```

Convert the PSF to an Optical Transfer Function (OTF).

```
OTF = psf2otf(PSF,[31 31]);
```

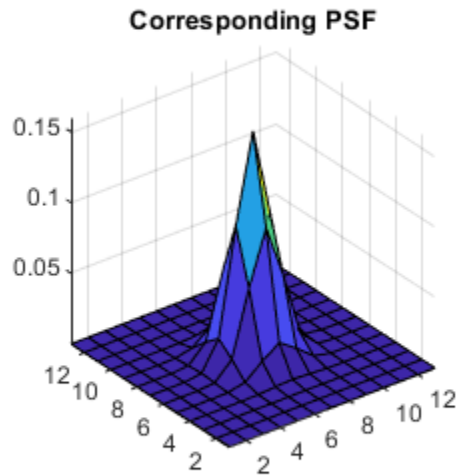
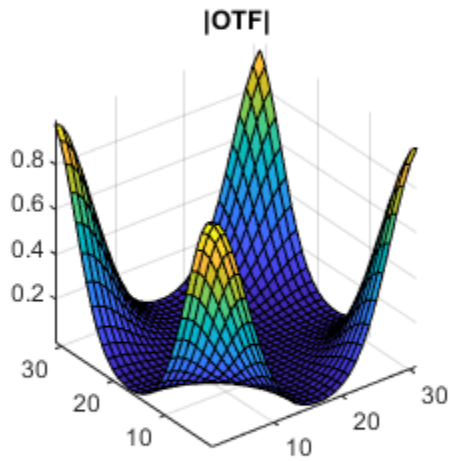
Convert the OTF back to a PSF.

```
PSF2 = otf2psf(OTF,size(PSF));
```

Plot the PSF and the OTF.

```
subplot(1,2,1)
surf(abs(OTF))
```

```
title('|OTF|');  
axis square  
axis tight  
subplot(1,2,2)  
surf(PSF2)  
title('Corresponding PSF');  
axis square  
axis tight
```



Input Arguments

OTF — Optical transfer function

numeric array

Optical transfer function, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Complex Number Support: Yes

sz — Size of point-spread function

vector of positive integers

Size of the output point-spread function PSF, specified as a vector of positive integers. The size of PSF must not exceed the size of OTF in any dimension. By default, PSF is the same size as OTF.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

PSF — Point-spread function

numeric array

Point-spread function, centered at the origin, returned as a numeric array of size `sz`.

Data Types: `double`

Complex Number Support: Yes

Tips

- To center the PSF at the origin, `otf2psf` circularly shifts the values of the output array down (or to the right) until the (1,1) element reaches the central position, then it crops the result to match dimensions specified by `sz`.
- This function is used in image convolution and deconvolution when the operations involve the FFT.

See Also

`circshift` | `fft` | `ifft` | `padarray` | `psf2otf`

Topics

“Create Your Own Deblurring Functions”

Introduced before R2006a

otsuthresh

Global histogram threshold using Otsu's method

Syntax

```
T = otsuthresh(counts)
[T,EM] = otsuthresh(counts)
```

Description

`T = otsuthresh(counts)` computes a global threshold `T` from histogram counts, `counts`, using Otsu's method [1]. Otsu's method chooses a threshold that minimizes the intraclass variance of the thresholded black and white pixels. The global threshold `T` can be used with `imbinarize` to convert a grayscale image to a binary image.

`[T,EM] = otsuthresh(counts)` returns the effectiveness metric, `EM`, which indicates the effectiveness of the thresholding.

Examples

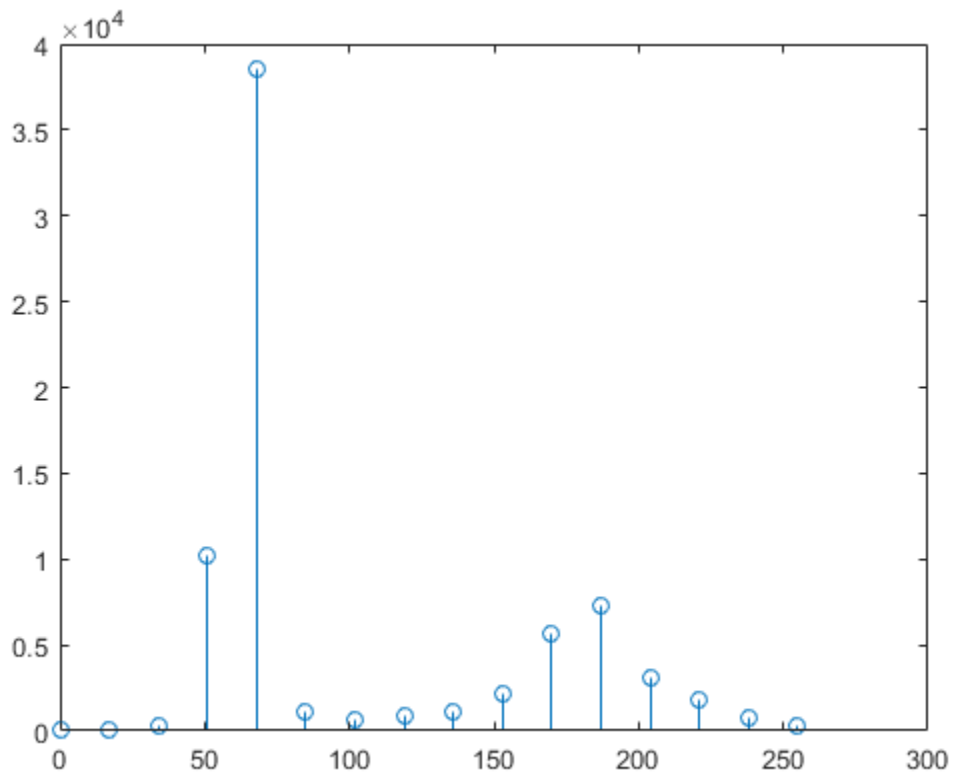
Compute Threshold from Image Histogram and Binarize Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
```

Calculate a 16-bin histogram for the image.

```
[counts,x] = imhist(I,16);
stem(x,counts)
```

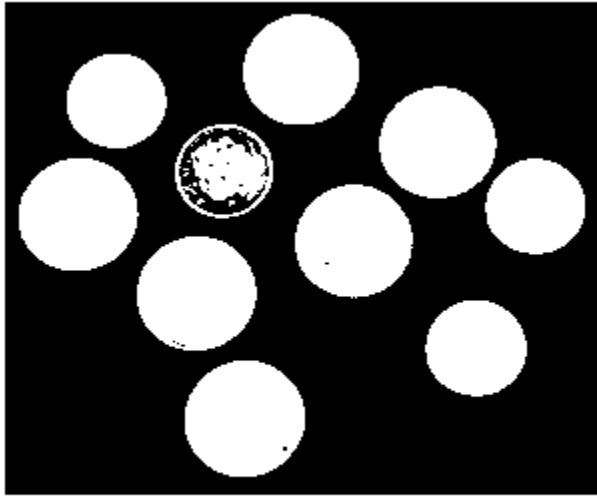


Compute a global threshold using the histogram counts.

```
T = otsuthresh(counts);
```

Create a binary image using the computed threshold and display the image.

```
BW = imbinarize(I,T);  
figure  
imshow(BW)
```

Input Arguments

counts — Histogram counts

vector of nonnegative numbers

Histogram counts, specified as a vector of nonnegative numbers.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

T — Global threshold

numeric scalar

Global threshold, returned as a numeric scalar in the range [0, 1].

Data Types: double

EM — Effectiveness metric

numeric scalar

Effectiveness metric of the threshold, returned as a numeric scalar in the range [0, 1]. The lower bound is attainable only by histogram counts with all data in a single non-zero bin. The upper bound is attainable only by histogram counts with two non-zero bins.

Data Types: double

References

- [1] Otsu, N., "A Threshold Selection Method from Gray-Level Histograms." *IEEE Transactions on Systems, Man, and Cybernetics*. Vol. 9, No. 1, 1979, pp. 62-66.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `otsuthresh` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see "Code Generation for Image Processing".

See Also

`adaptthresh` | `graythresh` | `imbinarize`

Introduced in R2016a

outputLimits

Package:

Find output spatial limits given input spatial limits

Syntax

```
[xLimitsOut,yLimitsOut] = outputLimits(tform,xLimitsIn,yLimitsIn)
[xLimitsOut,yLimitsOut,zLimitsOut] = outputLimits(tform,xLimitsIn,
yLimitsIn,zLimitsIn)
```

Description

`[xLimitsOut,yLimitsOut] = outputLimits(tform,xLimitsIn,yLimitsIn)` estimates the output spatial limits corresponding to a set of input spatial limits, `xLimitsIn` and `yLimitsIn`, given 2-D geometric transformation `tform`.

`[xLimitsOut,yLimitsOut,zLimitsOut] = outputLimits(tform,xLimitsIn,yLimitsIn,zLimitsIn)` estimates the output spatial limits, given 3-D geometric transformation `tform`.

Examples

Estimate the Output Limits for a 2-D Affine Transformation

Create an `affine2d` object that defines a rotation of 10 degrees counter-clockwise.

```
theta = 10;
tform = affine2d([cosd(theta) -sind(theta) 0; sind(theta) cosd(theta) 0; 0 0 1]);
```

```
tform =
```

```
    affine2d with properties:
```

```
          T: [3x3 double]
Dimensionality: 2
```

Estimate the output spatial limits, given the geometric transformation.

```
[xlim, ylim] = outputLimits(tform,[1 240],[1 291])
```

```
xlim =
```

```
    1.1585    286.8855
```

```
ylim =
```

```
   -40.6908    286.4054
```

Estimate the Output Limits for a 3-D Affine Transformation

Create an affine3d object that defines a different scale factor in each dimension.

```
Sx = 1.2;
```

```
Sy = 1.6;
```

```
Sz = 2.4;
```

```
tform = affine3d([Sx 0 0 0; 0 Sy 0 0; 0 0 Sz 0; 0 0 0 1]);
```

```
tform =
```

```
    affine3d with properties:
```

```
          T: [4x4 double]
Dimensionality: 3
```

Estimate the output spatial limits, given the geometric transformation.

```
[xlim, ylim, zlim] = outputLimits(tform,[1 128],[1 128],[1 27])
```

```
xlim =
```

```
    1.2000   153.6000
```

```
ylim =
```

```
    1.6000   204.8000
```

```
zlim =  
    2.4000    64.8000
```

Input Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

geometric transformation object

Geometric transformation, specified as a geometric transformation object.

For 2-D geometric transformations, **tform** is an `affine2d`, `projective2d`, `LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D`, `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D`, or `PolynomialTransformation2D` geometric transformation object.

For 3-D geometric transformations, **tform** is an `affine3d` object.

xLimitsIn — Input spatial limits in the x-dimension

1-by-2 numeric vector

Input spatial limits in the x-dimension, specified as a 1-by-2 numeric vector.

Data Types: `double`

yLimitsIn — Input spatial limits in the y-dimension

1-by-2 numeric vector

Input spatial limits in the y-dimension, specified as a 1-by-2 numeric vector.

Data Types: `double`

zLimitsIn — Input spatial limits in the z-dimension

1-by-2 numeric vector

Input spatial limits in the z-dimension, specified as a 1-by-2 numeric vector. Provide `zLimitsIn` only when **tform** is an `affine3d` object.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

xLimitsOut — Output spatial limits in the x-dimension

1-by-2 numeric vector

Output spatial limits in the x-dimension, returned as a 1-by-2 numeric vector.

Data Types: double

yLimitsOut — Output spatial limits in the y-dimension

1-by-2 numeric vector

Output spatial limits in the y-dimension, returned as a 1-by-2 numeric vector.

Data Types: double

zLimitsOut — Output spatial limits in the z-dimension

1-by-2 numeric vector

Output spatial limits in the z-dimension, returned as a 1-by-2 numeric vector. `outputLimits` returns `zLimitsIn` only when `tform` is an `affine3d` object.

Data Types: double

See Also

`LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` | `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` | `PolynomialTransformation2D` | `affine2d` | `affine3d` | `projective2d`

Introduced in R2013a

padarray

Pad array

Syntax

```
B = padarray(A,padsize)
B = padarray(A,padsize,padval)
B = padarray( ____,direction)
```

Description

`B = padarray(A,padsize)` pads array `A` with 0s (zeros). `padsize` is a vector of nonnegative integers that specifies both the amount of padding to add and the dimension along which to add it. The value of an element in the vector specifies the amount of padding to add. The order of the element in the vector specifies the dimension along which to add the padding.

You optionally can perform the padding operation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`B = padarray(A,padsize,padval)` pads array `A` where `padval` specifies a constant value to use for padded elements or a method to replicate array elements.

`B = padarray(____,direction)` pads `A` in the direction specified by `direction`.

Examples

Add Padding to 2-D and 3-D Arrays

Pad the Beginning of a Vector

Add three elements of padding to the beginning of a vector with padding value 9.

```
A = [ 1 2 3 4 ]
```

A = 1×4

1	2	3	4
---	---	---	---

B = padarray(A,3,9, 'pre')

B = 4×4

9	9	9	9
9	9	9	9
9	9	9	9
1	2	3	4

Pad Each Dimension of a 2-D Array

Add three elements of padding to the end of the first dimension of the array and two elements of padding to the end of the second dimension. Use the value of the last array element on each dimension as the padding value.

A = [1 2; 3 4]

A = 2×2

1	2
3	4

B = padarray(A,[3 2], 'replicate', 'post')

B = 5×4

1	2	2	2
3	4	4	4
3	4	4	4
3	4	4	4
3	4	4	4

Pad Each Dimension of a 3-D Array

Add three elements of padding to each dimension of a three-dimensional array. Each pad element contains the value 0.

First create the 3-D array.

```
A = [1 2; 3 4];
B = [5 6; 7 8];
C = cat(3,A,B)
```

```
C =
C(:,:,1) =
```

```
    1    2
    3    4
```

```
C(:,:,2) =
```

```
    5    6
    7    8
```

Pad the 3-D Array

```
D = padarray(C,[3 3],0,'both')
```

```
D =
D(:,:,1) =
```

```
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    1    2    0    0    0
    0    0    0    3    4    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
```

```
D(:,:,2) =
```

```
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    5    6    0    0    0
    0    0    0    7    8    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
    0    0    0    0    0    0    0    0
```

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

Perform Padding on a GPU

Add padding on all sides of an image.

```
gcam = gpuArray(imread('cameraman.tif'));  
padcam = padarray(gcam,[50 50],'both');  
imshow(padcam)
```



Input Arguments

A — Array to be padded

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Array to be padded, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension. When padding with a constant value, A must be numeric or logical. When padding using the 'circular', 'replicate', or 'symmetric' methods, A can be of any class.

To perform the padding operation using a GPU, specify A as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

padsize — Amount of padding to add to each dimension

vector of nonnegative integers

Amount of padding to add to each dimension, specified as a vector of nonnegative integers. For example, a `padsize` value of `[2 3]` means add two elements of padding along the first dimension and three elements of padding along the second dimension. By default, `padarray` adds padding before the first element and after the last element along the specified dimension.

Data Types: `double`

padval — Value to use for the padding

0 (default) | numeric scalar | 'circular' | 'replicate' | 'symmetric'

Value to use for the padding, specified as one of the following.

Value	Meaning
numeric scalar	Pad array with elements of constant value.
'circular'	Pad with circular repetition of elements within the dimension.
'replicate'	Pad by repeating border elements of array.
'symmetric'	Pad array with mirror reflections of itself.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical` | `char` | `string`

direction — Where to pad array along each dimension

'both' (default) | 'post' | 'pre'

Where to pad array along each dimension, specified as one of the following values:

Value	Meaning
'both'	Pads before the first element and after the last array element along each dimension.
'post'	Pad after the last array element along each dimension.
'pre'	Pad before the first array element along each dimension.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

B — Padded array

`numeric array` | `gpuArray`

Padded array, returned as a numeric array of the same class as `A`.

If the padding operation is performed using a GPU, then `B` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `padarray` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, `padarray` supports only up to 3-D inputs, and the input arguments, `padval` and `direction` must be compile-time constants.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`circshift` | `imfilter`

Introduced before R2006a

para2fan

Convert parallel-beam projections to fan-beam

Syntax

```
F = para2fan(P,D)
F = fan2para(P,D,Name,Value)
[F,fan_sensor_positions,fan_rotation_angles] = fan2para( ___ )
```

Description

`F = para2fan(P,D)` converts the parallel-beam data `P` to the fan-beam data `F`. Each column of `P` contains the parallel-beam sensor samples at one rotation angle. `D` is the distance from the fan-beam vertex to the center of rotation.

The parallel-beam sensors are assumed to have a one-pixel spacing. The parallel-beam rotation angles are spaced equally to cover $[0,180]$ degrees. The calculated fan-beam rotation angles have the same spacing as the parallel-beam rotation angles, and cover $[0,360)$ degrees. The calculated fan-beam angles are equally spaced with the spacing set to the smallest angle implied by the sensor spacing.

`F = fan2para(P,D,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control aspects of the data conversion. Argument names can be abbreviated, and case does not matter.

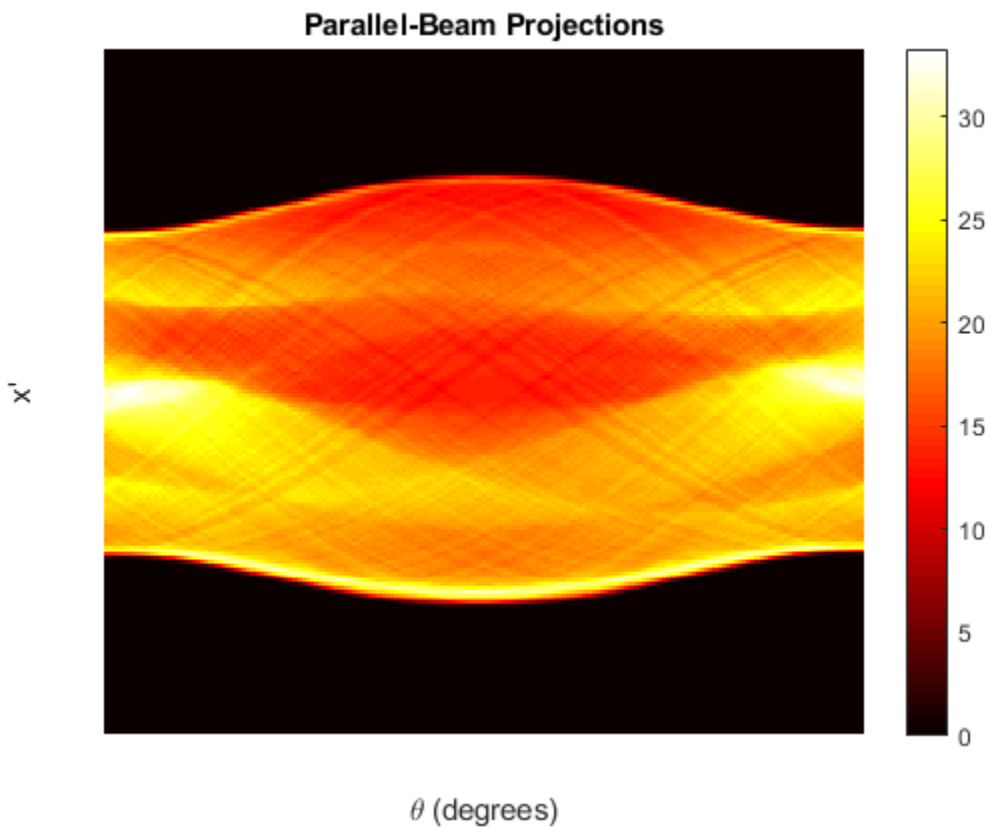
`[F,fan_sensor_positions,fan_rotation_angles] = fan2para(___)` returns the fan-beam sensor locations in `fan_sensor_positions` and rotation angles in `fan_rotation_angles`.

Examples

Convert Parallel-beam Projections to Fan-beam Projections

Generate parallel-beam projections

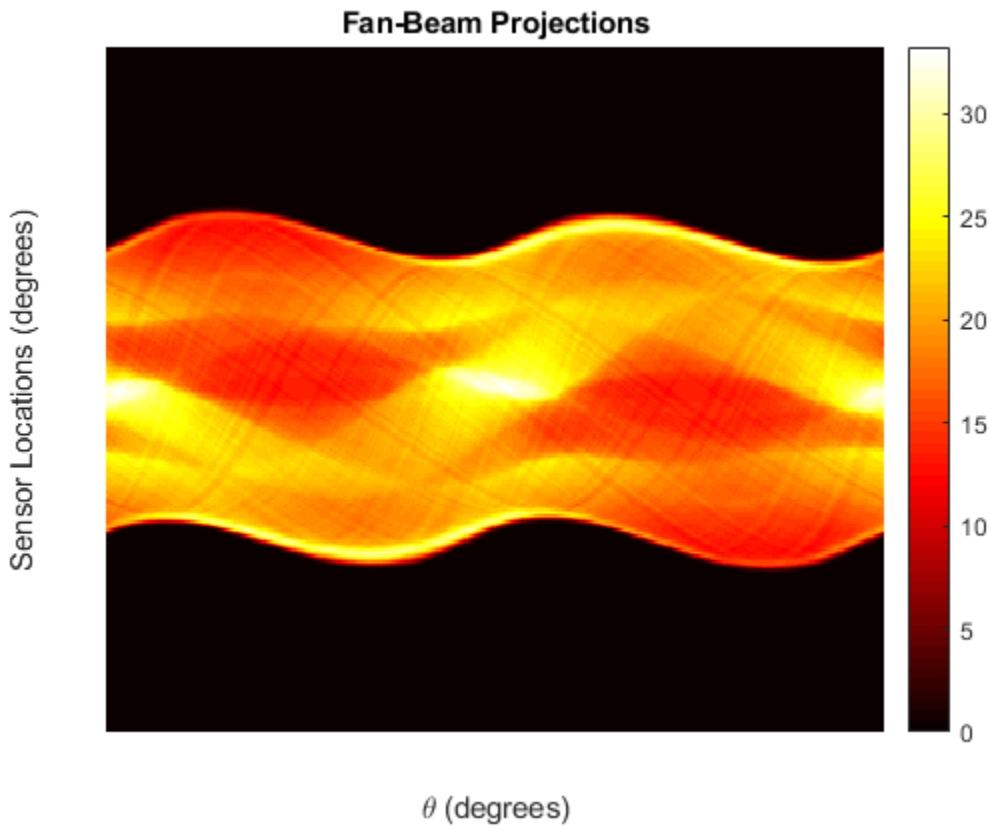
```
ph = phantom(128);  
theta = 0:180;  
[P,xp] = radon(ph,theta);  
imshow(P,[],'XData',theta,'YData',xp,'InitialMagnification','fit')  
axis normal  
title('Parallel-Beam Projections')  
xlabel('\theta (degrees)')  
ylabel('x''')  
colormap(gca,hot), colorbar
```



Convert to fan-beam projections

```
[F,Fpos,Fangles] = para2fan(P,100);  
figure
```

```
imshow(F,[], 'XData',Fangles, 'YData',Fpos, 'InitialMagnification', 'fit')
axis normal
title('Fan-Beam Projections')
xlabel('\theta (degrees)')
ylabel('Sensor Locations (degrees)')
colormap(gca,hot), colorbar
```



Input Arguments

P — Parallel-beam projection data
numeric matrix

Parallel-beam projection data, specified as a numeric matrix. Each column of P contains the parallel-beam data at one rotation angle. The number of columns indicates the number of parallel-beam rotation angles and the number of rows indicates the number of parallel-beam sensors.

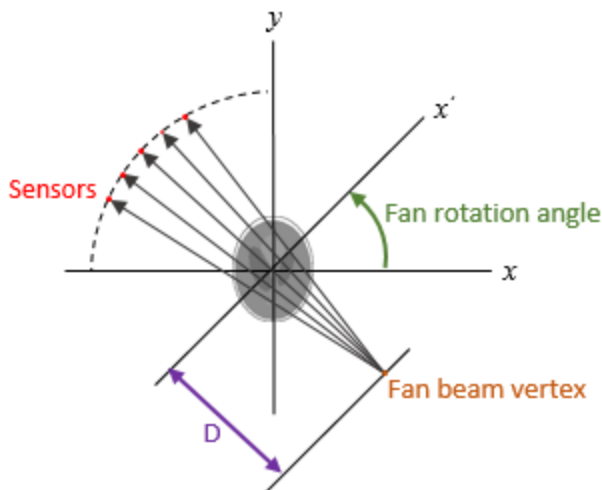
Data Types: `double` | `single`

D — Distance from fan beam vertex to center of rotation

positive number

Distance in pixels from the fan beam vertex to the center of rotation, specified as a positive number. `para2fan` assumes that the center of rotation is the center point of the projections, which is defined as $\text{ceil}(\text{size}(F,1)/2)$. The value of D must be greater than or equal to $\text{ParallelSensorSpacing} * (\text{SIZE}(P,1) - 1) / 2$

The figure illustrates D in relation to the fan-beam vertex for one fan-beam projection.



Data Types: `double` | `single`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes.

You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `F = para2fan(P,D,'FanRotationIncrement',5)`

FanCoverage — Range of fan-beam rotation

'cycle' (default) | 'minimal'

Range of fan-beam rotation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanCoverage' and one of these values.

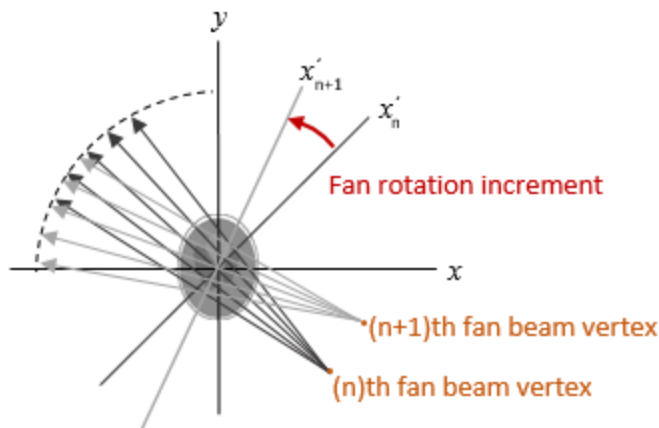
- 'cycle' — Rotate through the full range [0, 360) degrees.
- 'minimal' — Rotate through the minimum range necessary to represent the object.

FanRotationIncrement — Fan-beam rotation angle increment

positive scalar

Fan-beam rotation angle increment in degrees, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanRotationIncrement' and a positive scalar.

- If FanCoverage is 'cycle', then $360/\text{FanRotationIncrement}$ must be an integer.
- If you do not specify FanRotationIncrement, then the default value is equal to the parallel-beam rotation angle.

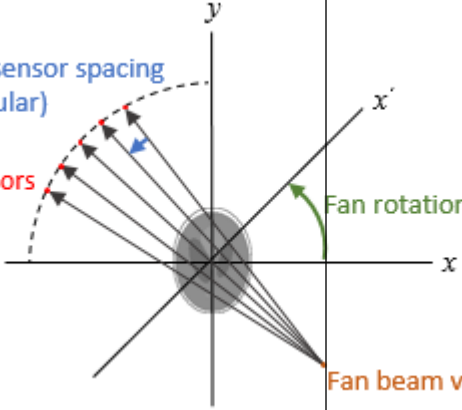


Data Types: double

FanSensorGeometry — Fan-beam sensor positioning

'arc' (default) | 'line'

Fan-beam sensor positioning, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanSensorGeometry' and one of the following values.

Value	Meaning	Diagram
'arc'	<p>Sensors are spaced at equal angles along a circular arc at distance D from the center of rotation.</p> <p>FanSensorSpacing defines the angular spacing in degrees.</p>	

Value	Meaning	Diagram
'line'	<p>Sensors are spaced at equal distances along a line that is parallel to the x' axis. The closest sensor is distance D from the center of rotation.</p> <p>FanSensorSpacing defines the distance between fan-beams on the x' axis, in pixels.</p>	

FanSensorSpacing — Fan-beam sensor spacing

positive scalar

Fan-beam sensor spacing, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'FanSensorSpacing' and a positive scalar.

- If FanSensorGeometry is 'arc', then FanSensorSpacing defines the angular spacing in degrees.
- If FanSensorGeometry is 'line', then FanSensorSpacing defines the linear distance between fan-beams, in pixels. Linear spacing is measured on the x' axis.

If you do not specify FanSensorGeometry, then the default value of FanSensorSpacing is the smallest value implied by ParallelSensorSpacing such that:

- If FanSensorGeometry is 'arc', then FanSensorSpacing is $180/\pi * \text{ASIN}(\text{ParallelSensorSpacing}/D)$

- If FanSensorGeometry is 'line', then FanSensorSpacing is $D * \text{ASIN}(\text{ParallelSensorSpacing}/D)$

Data Types: double

Interpolation — Type of interpolation

'Linear' (default) | 'nearest' | 'spline' | 'pchip'

Type of interpolation used between the parallel-beam and fan-beam data, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Interpolation' and one of these values.

'nearest' — Nearest-neighbor

'linear' — Linear (the default)

'spline' — Piecewise cubic spline

'pchip' — Piecewise cubic Hermite (PCHIP)

ParallelCoverage — Range of parallel-beam rotation

'halfcycle' (default) | 'cycle'

Range of parallel-beam rotation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ParallelCoverage' and one of these values.

- 'cycle' — Parallel data covers the full range of [0, 360) degrees.
- 'halfcycle' — Parallel data covers [0, 180) degrees.

ParallelSensorSpacing — Parallel-beam sensor spacing

1 | positive scalar

Parallel-beam sensor spacing in pixels, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ParallelSensorSpacing' and a positive scalar.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

F — Fan-beam projection data

numeric matrix

Fan-beam projection data, returned as a numeric matrix. Each column of F contains the fan-beam sensor samples at one rotation angle.

Parallel-beam projection data, returned as a numeric matrix. Each column of F contains the fan-beam data at one rotation angle. The number of columns indicates the total number of fan-beam rotation angles and is equal to the length of `fan_rotation_angles`. The number of rows indicates the total number of parallel-beam sensors and is equal to the length of `fan_sensor_positions`.

Data Types: double

fan_sensor_positions — Fan-beam sensor locations

numeric column vector

Fan-beam sensor locations, returned as a numeric column vector.

- If 'FanSensorGeometry' is 'arc' (the default), then `fan_sensor_positions` contains the fan-beam sensor measurement angles.
- If 'FanSensorGeometry' is 'line', then `fan_sensor_positions` contains the fan-beam sensor positions along the line of sensors.

Data Types: double

fan_rotation_angles — Fan-beam rotation angles

numeric row vector

Fan-beam rotation angles, returned as a numeric row vector.

Data Types: double

See Also

`fan2para` | `fanbeam` | `ifanbeam` | `iradon` | `phantom` | `radon`

Introduced before R2006a

phantom

Create head phantom image

Syntax

```
P = phantom(def, n)
P = phantom(E, n)
[P, E] = phantom( ___ )
```

Description

`P = phantom(def, n)` generates an image of a head phantom that can be used to test the numerical accuracy of `radon` and `iradon` or other two-dimensional reconstruction algorithms. `P` is a grayscale image that consists of one large ellipse (representing the brain) containing several smaller ellipses (representing features in the brain). `def` specifies the type of head phantom to generate, and `n` specifies the number of rows and columns in the phantom image.

`P = phantom(E, n)` generates a user-defined phantom, where each row of the matrix `E` specifies an ellipse in the image. `E` has six columns, with each column containing a different parameter for the ellipses.

`[P, E] = phantom(___)` returns the matrix `E` used to generate the phantom.

Examples

Create Modified Shepp-Logan Head Phantom Image

Create the modified Shepp-Logan head phantom image and display it.

```
P = phantom('Modified Shepp-Logan', 200);
imshow(P)
```



Input Arguments

def — Type of head phantom

'Modified Shepp-Logan' (default) | 'Shepp-Logan'

Type of head phantom to generate, specified as one of the following.

- 'Shepp-Logan' — Test image used widely by researchers in tomography
- 'Modified Shepp-Logan' — Variant of the Shepp-Logan phantom in which the contrast is improved for better visual perception

Data Types: char | string

n — Number of rows and columns

256 (default) | positive integer

Number of rows and columns in the phantom image, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: double

E — Ellipses

e-by-6 numeric matrix

Ellipses that define the phantom, specified as an *e*-by-6 numeric matrix defining *e* ellipses. The six columns of **E** are the ellipse parameters.

Column	Parameter	Meaning
Column 1	A	Additive intensity value of the ellipse
Column 2	a	Length of the horizontal semiaxis of the ellipse
Column 3	b	Length of the vertical semiaxis of the ellipse
Column 4	x_0	<i>x</i> -coordinate of the center of the ellipse
Column 5	y_0	<i>y</i> -coordinate of the center of the ellipse
Column 6	phi	Angle (in degrees) between the horizontal semiaxis of the ellipse and the <i>x</i> -axis of the image

The domains for the *x*- and *y*-axes are [-1,1]. Columns 2 through 5 must be specified in terms of this range.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

P — Phantom image

n-by-*n* numeric matrix

Phantom image, returned as an *n*-by-*n* numeric matrix.

Data Types: double

Tips

For any given pixel in the output image, the pixel's value is equal to the sum of the additive intensity values of all ellipses that the pixel is a part of. If a pixel is not part of any ellipse, its value is 0.

The additive intensity value A for an ellipse can be positive or negative; if it is negative, the ellipse will be darker than the surrounding pixels. Note that, depending on the values of A , some pixels can have values outside the range $[0, 1]$.

References

[1] Jain, Anil K., *Fundamentals of Digital Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1989, p. 439.

See Also

`iradon` | `radon`

Introduced before R2006a

images.geotrans.PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D

2-D piecewise linear geometric transformation

Description

A `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` object encapsulates a 2-D piecewise linear geometric transformation.

Creation

You can create a `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` object using the following methods:

- The `fitgeotrans` function, which estimates a geometric transformation that maps pairs of control points between two images.
- The `images.geotrans.PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` function described here. This function creates a `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` object using coordinates of fixed points and moving points.

Syntax

```
tform = images.geotrans.PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D(  
movingPoints, fixedPoints)
```

Description

`tform = images.geotrans.PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D(movingPoints, fixedPoints)` creates a `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` object given control point coordinates in `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints`, which define matched control points in the moving and fixed images, respectively.

Input Arguments

movingPoints — *x*- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the moving image

m-by-2 matrix

x- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the moving image, specified as an *m*-by-2 matrix. The number of control points *m* must be greater than or equal to *n*.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

fixedPoints — *x*- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the fixed image

m-by-2 matrix

x- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the fixed image, specified as an *m*-by-2 matrix. The number of control points *m* must be greater than or equal to *n*.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

Properties

Dimensionality — Dimensionality of the geometric transformation

2

Dimensionality of the geometric transformation for both input and output points, specified as the value 2.

Object Functions

`outputLimits`

Find output spatial limits given input spatial limits

`transformPointsInverse`

Apply inverse geometric transformation

Examples

Fit Set of Control Points Related by Affine Transformation

Fit a piecewise linear transformation to a set of fixed and moving control points that are actually related by a single global `affine2d` transformation across the domain.

Create a 2D affine transformation.

```
theta = 10;
tformAffine = affine2d([cosd(theta) -sind(theta) 0; sind(theta) cosd(theta) 0; 0 0 1])
tformAffine =
```

```
    affine2d with properties:
```

```
                T: [3x3 double]
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Arbitrarily choose 6 pairs of control points.

```
fixedPoints = [10 20; 10 5; 2 3; 0 5; -5 3; -10 -20];
```

Apply forward geometric transformation to map fixed points to obtain effect of fixed and moving points that are related by some geometric transformation.

```
movingPoints = transformPointsForward(tformAffine, fixedPoints)
```

```
movingPoints =
    13.3210    17.9597
    10.7163     3.1876
     2.4906     2.6071
     0.8682     4.9240
    -4.4031     3.8227
   -13.3210   -17.9597
```

Estimate piecewise linear transformation that maps movingPoints to fixedPoints.

```
tformPiecewiseLinear = images.geotrans.PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D(movingPoints, fixedPoints)
```

```
tformPiecewiseLinear =
```

```
    PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D with properties:
```

```
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Verify the fit of the PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D object at the control points.

```
movingPointsComputed = transformPointsInverse(tformPiecewiseLinear, fixedPoints);
```

```
errorInFit = hypot(movingPointsComputed(:,1)-movingPoints(:,1), ...
                  movingPointsComputed(:,2)-movingPoints(:,2))
```

```
errorInFit =  
  1.0e-15 *  
    0  
    0  
  0.4441  
    0  
    0  
    0
```

See Also

Functions

[cpselect](#) | [fitgeotrans](#) | [imwarp](#)

Classes

[LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D](#) | [PolynomialTransformation2D](#) | [affine2d](#) | [projective2d](#)

Introduced in R2013b

piqe

Perception based Image Quality Evaluator (PIQE) no-reference image quality score

Syntax

```
score = piqe(A)  
[score,activityMask,noticeableArtifactsMask,noiseMask] = piqe(A)
```

Description

`score = piqe(A)` calculates the no-reference image quality score for image A using a perception based image quality evaluator.

`[score,activityMask,noticeableArtifactsMask,noiseMask] = piqe(A)` also returns the spatial quality masks computed from the input image.

Examples

Calculate PIQE Score for Images and Display Results

Calculate PIQE score for an image and the corresponding distorted images. Display the results with their corresponding image.

Read an image into the workspace. Generate distorted images by adding noise and blur. Use `imnoise` function to generate the noisy image and `imgaussfilt` function to generate the blurred image.

```
A = imread('lighthouse.png');  
Anoise = imnoise(A,'Gaussian',0,0.05);  
Ablur = imgaussfilt(A,2);
```

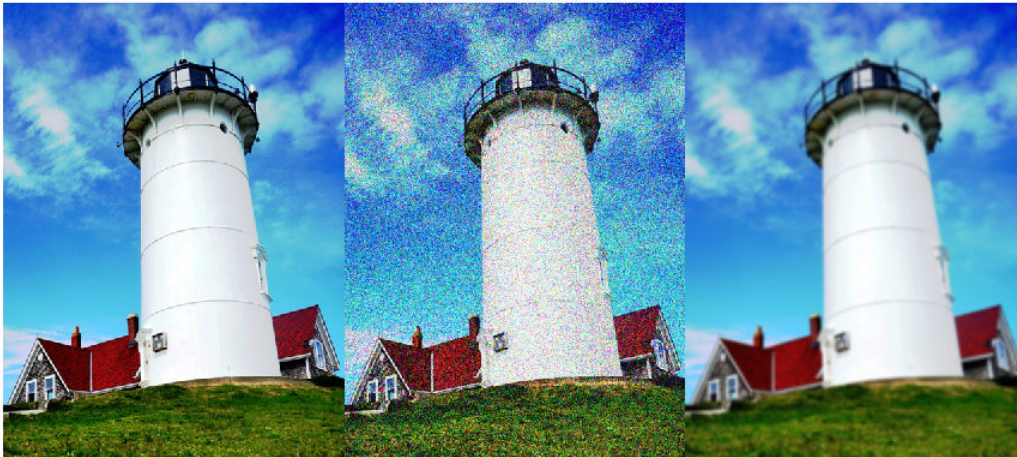
Calculate PIQE score for the original image and the distorted images.

```
score = piqe(A);  
score_noise = piqe(Anoise);  
score_blur = piqe(Ablur);
```

Display the images as a montage with their corresponding scores as a part of the figure title.

```
figure  
montage({A,Anoise,Ablur}, 'Size',[1 3])  
title({'Original Image: PIQE score = ', num2str(score), ' | Noisy Image: PIQE score = ', num2str(score_noise), ' | Blurred Image: PIQE score = ', num2str(score_blur)}, 'FontSize',12)
```

Original Image: PIQE score = 24.8481 | Noisy Image: PIQE score = 72.3643 | Blurred Image: PIQE score = 85.7362



Calculate PIQE Score, Spatial Quality Masks for Image, and Display Results

Calculate PIQE score of an image distorted due to blocking artifacts and Gaussian noise. Generate spatial quality masks that indicate the high spatially active blocks, noticeable artifacts blocks, and noise blocks in the image. Visualize the spatial quality masks by overlaying them on the distorted image. Display the image with and without the masks and the PIQE score for the image.

Read a distorted image (distortion due to JPEG2K) into the workspace.


```
Adistorted = imread('DistortedImage.png');
```

Calculate PIQE score and the spatial quality masks.

```
[score,activityMask,noticeableArtifactsMask,noiseMask] = piqe(Adistorted);
```

Overlay the spatial quality masks on the input image.

```
mask_1 = labeloverlay(Adistorted,activityMask,'Colormap','winter','Transparency',0.25);
mask_2 = labeloverlay(Adistorted,noticeableArtifactsMask,'Colormap','autumn','Transparency',0.25);
mask_3 = labeloverlay(Adistorted,noiseMask,'Colormap','hot','Transparency',0.25);
```

Display the original distorted image and the distorted images with overlaid spatial quality masks as a montage.

```
figure
montage({Adistorted,mask_1,mask_2,mask_3},'Size',[1 4])
title('Distorted Image | Overlay activityMask | Overlay noticeableArtifactsMask | Overlay noiseMask')
```



Display PIQE score for the distorted image.

```
fprintf('PIQE score for the distorted image is %0.4f.\n',score)
```

```
PIQE score for the distorted image is 65.1855.
```

Input Arguments

A — Input image

2-D grayscale image | 2-D RGB image

Input image, specified as a 2-D grayscale image of size m -by- n or 2-D RGB image of size m -by- n -by-3.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

score — PIQE score

nonnegative scalar

PIQE score for the input image A, returned as a nonnegative scalar in the range [0, 100]. The PIQE score is the no-reference image quality score and it is inversely correlated to the perceptual quality of an image. A low score value indicates high perceptual quality and high score value indicates low perceptual quality.

Data Types: `double`

activityMask — Spatial quality mask of active blocks

2-D Binary image

Spatial quality mask of active blocks, returned as a 2-D binary image of size m -by- n , where m and n are the dimensions of the input image A. The `activityMask` is composed of high spatially active blocks in the input image. The high spatially active blocks in the input image are the regions with more spatial variability due to factors that include compression artifacts and noise. The high spatially active blocks are assigned a value '1' in the `activityMask`.

Data Types: `logical`

noticeableArtifactsMask — Spatial quality mask of noticeable artifacts

2-D Binary image

Spatial quality mask of noticeable artifacts, returned as a 2-D binary image of size m -by- n , where m and n are the dimensions of the input image A. The `noticeableArtifactsMask` is composed of blocks in `activityMask` that contain blocking artifacts (due to compression) or sudden distortions.

Data Types: logical

noiseMask — Spatial quality mask of Gaussian noise

2-D Binary image

Spatial quality mask of Gaussian noise, returned as a 2-D binary image of size m -by- n , where m and n are the dimensions of the input image **A**. The **noiseMask** is composed of blocks in **activityMask** that contain Gaussian noise.

Data Types: logical

Algorithms

PIQE calculates the no-reference quality score for an image through block-wise distortion estimation, using these steps:

- 1 Compute the Mean Subtracted Contrast Normalized (MSCN) coefficient for each pixel in the image using the algorithm proposed by N. Venkatanath and others [1].
- 2 Divide the input image into nonoverlapping blocks of size 16-by-16.
- 3 Identify high spatially active blocks based on the variance of the MSCN coefficients.
- 4 Generate **activityMask** using the identified high spatially active blocks.
- 5 In each block, evaluate distortion due to blocking artifacts and noise using the MSCN coefficients.
- 6 Use threshold criteria to classify the blocks as distorted blocks with blocking artifacts, distorted blocks with Gaussian noise, and undistorted blocks.
- 7 Generate **noticeableArtifactsMask** from the distorted blocks with blocking artifacts and **noiseMask** from the distorted blocks with Gaussian noise.
- 8 Compute the PIQE score for the input image as the mean of scores in the distorted blocks.
- 9 The quality scale of the image based on its PIQE score is given in this table. The quality scale and respective score range are assigned through experimental analysis on the dataset in LIVE Image Quality Assessment Database Release 2 [2].



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See Also

Functions

brisque | immse | niqe | psnr | ssim

Topics

"Image Quality Metrics"

Introduced in R2018b

plotChromaticity

Plot color reproduction on chromaticity diagram

Syntax

```
plotChromaticity(colorTable)
plotChromaticity(colorTable,Name,Value)
```

```
plotChromaticity
plotChromaticity(Name,Value)
```

Description

`plotChromaticity(colorTable)` plots on a chromaticity diagram the measured and reference colors, `colorTable`, for color patch regions of interest (ROIs) in a test chart.

`plotChromaticity(colorTable,Name,Value)` plots measured and reference colors with additional parameters to control aspects of the display.

`plotChromaticity` plots an empty chromaticity diagram.

`plotChromaticity(Name,Value)` plots an empty chromaticity diagram with additional parameter 'Parent' that specifies a handle of a parent axes of the plot object.

Examples

Display Chromaticity Diagram from Color Accuracy Measurements

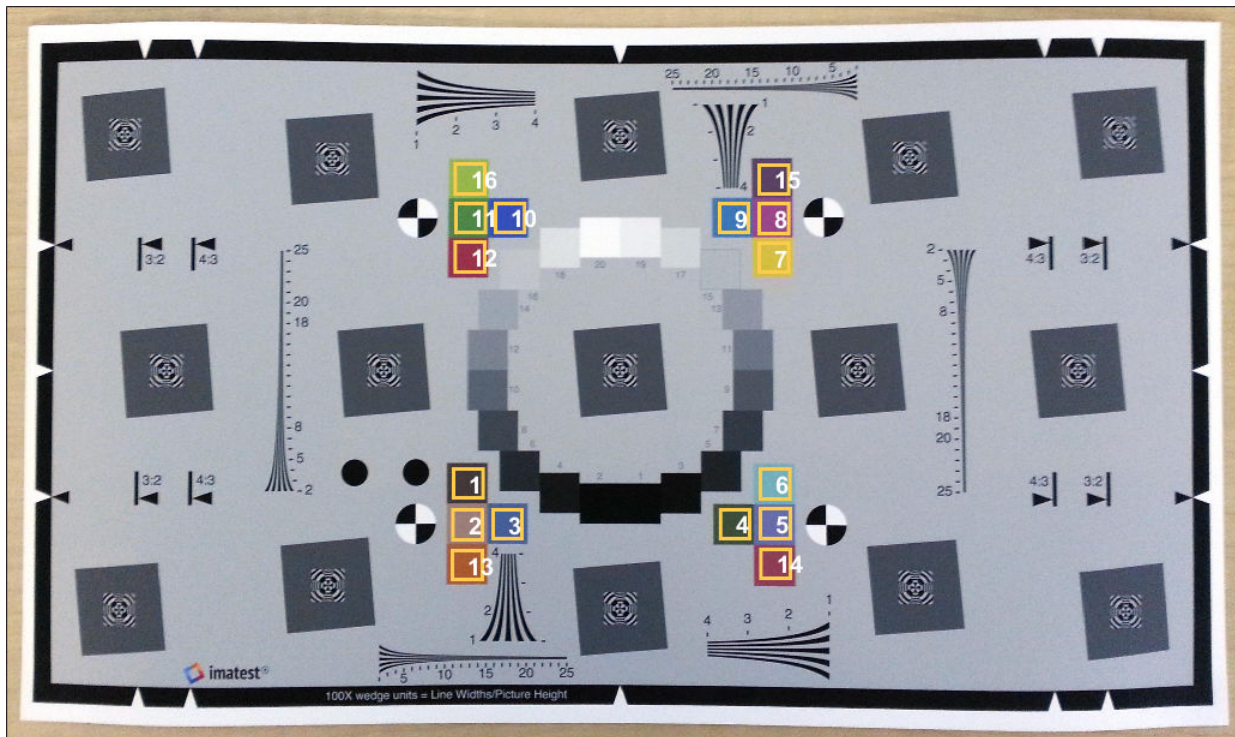
This example shows how to display the chromaticity diagram from measurements of color accuracy on an Imatest® eSFR chart.

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an esfrChart object. Display the chart, highlighting the 16 color patches.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);
displayChart(chart, 'displayEdgeROIs', false, ...
    'displayGrayROIs', false, 'displayRegistrationPoints', false)
```

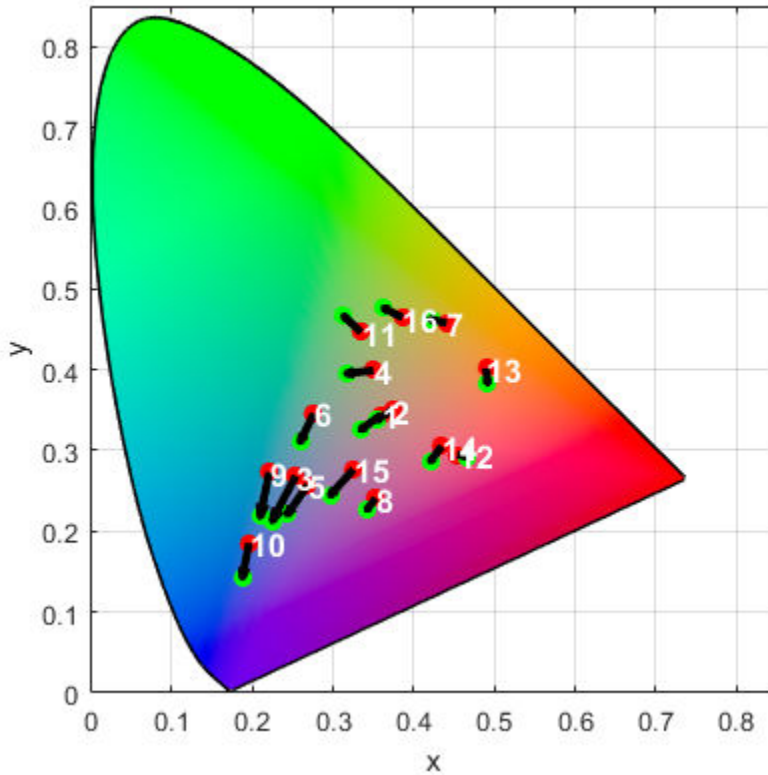


Measure the color in all color patch ROIs.

```
colorTable = measureColor(chart);
```

Plot the measured and reference colors in the CIE 1976 L*a*b* color space on a chromaticity diagram. Red circles indicate the reference color and green circles indicate the measured color of each color patch. The chromaticity diagram does not portray the brightness of color.

```
figure
plotChromaticity(colorTable)
```



Input Arguments

colorTable — Color values

color table

Color values in each color patch, specified as an m -by-8 color table, where m is the number of patches. The eight columns represent these variables:

Variable	Description
ROI	Index of the sampled ROI. The value of ROI is an integer in the range [1, 16]. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by displayChart.
Measured_R	Mean value of red channel pixels in an ROI. Measured_R is a scalar of the same data type as chart.Image, which can be of type single, double, uint8, or uint16.
Measured_G	Mean value of green channel pixels in an ROI. Measured_G is a scalar of the same data type as chart.Image.
Measured_B	Mean value of blue channel pixels in an ROI. Measured_B is a scalar of the same data type as chart.Image.
Reference_L	Reference L* value corresponding to the ROI. Reference_L is a scalar of type double.
Reference_a	Reference a* value corresponding to the ROI. Reference_a is a scalar of type double.
Reference_b	Reference b* value corresponding to the ROI. Reference_b is a scalar of type double.
Delta_E	Euclidean color distance between the measured and reference color values, as outlined in CIE 1976.

To obtain a color table, use the measureColor function.

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of Name, Value arguments. Name is the argument name and Value is the corresponding value. Name must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN.

Example: plotChromaticity(myColorTable, 'displayROIIndex', false) turns off the display of the ROI indices on the chromaticity diagram.

displayROIIndex — Display ROI index labels

true (default) | false

Display ROI index labels, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'displayROIIndex' and true or false. When displayROIIndex is true, then

`plotChromaticity` overlays color patch ROI index labels on the chromaticity diagram. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by `displayChart`.

Data Types: `logical`

Parent — Axes handle of displayed image object

`axes handle`

Axes handle of the displayed image object, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an axes handle. Parent specifies the parent of the image object created by `plotChromaticity`.

See Also

Functions

`displayChart` | `displayColorPatch` | `measureColor`

Objects

`esfrChart`

Introduced in R2017b

plotSFR

Plot spatial frequency response of edge

Syntax

```
plotSFR(sharpnessMeasurementTable)
plotSFR(sharpnessMeasurementTable, Name, Value)
```

Description

`plotSFR(sharpnessMeasurementTable)` plots the spatial frequency response (SFR) in a sharpness measurement table or aggregate sharpness measurement table.

`plotSFR(sharpnessMeasurementTable, Name, Value)` plots the SFR, specifying additional parameters to control aspects of the display.

Examples

Plot Spatial Frequency Response of Specific ROIs from an eSFR Chart

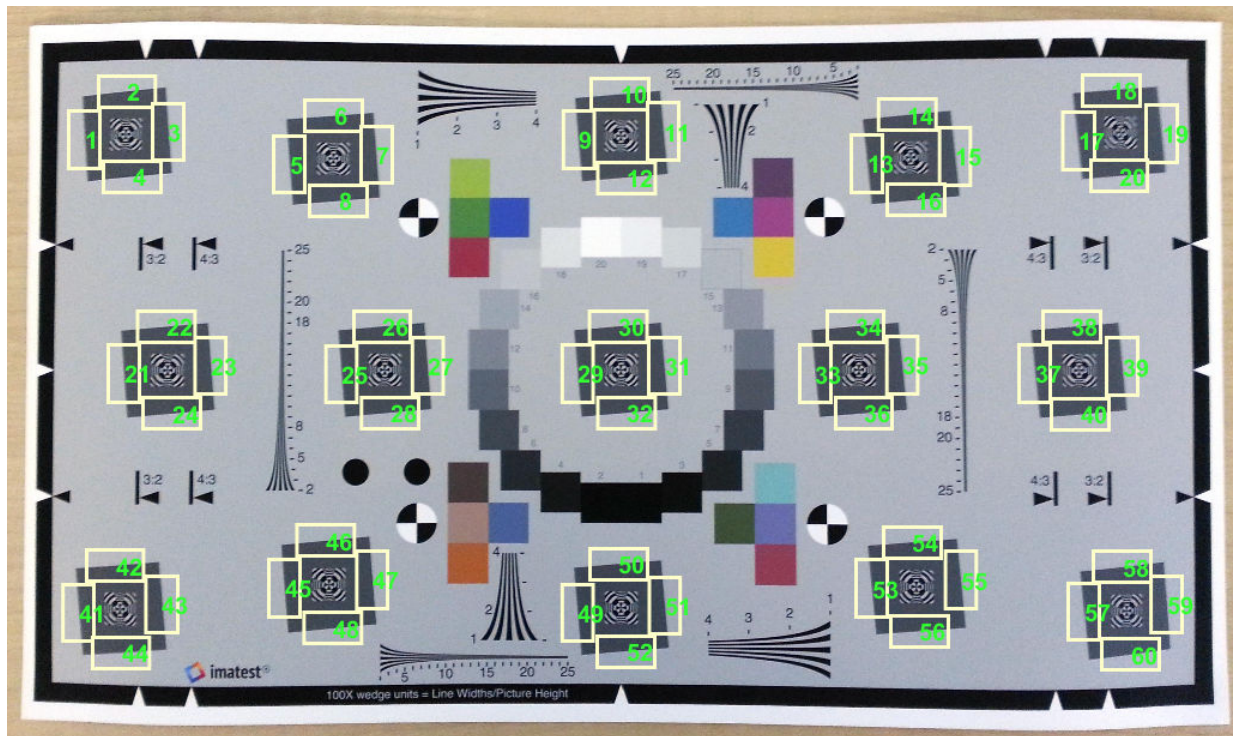
This example shows how to display the spatial frequency response (SFR) plot of a specified subset of the 60 slanted edge ROIs on an Imatest® eSFR chart.

Read an image of an eSFR chart into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eSFRTestImage.jpg');
```

Create an `esfrChart` object, then display the chart with ROI annotations. The 60 slanted edge ROIs are labeled with green numbers.

```
chart = esfrChart(I);
displayChart(chart, 'displayGrayROIs', false, ...
    'displayColorROIs', false, 'displayRegistrationPoints', false)
```

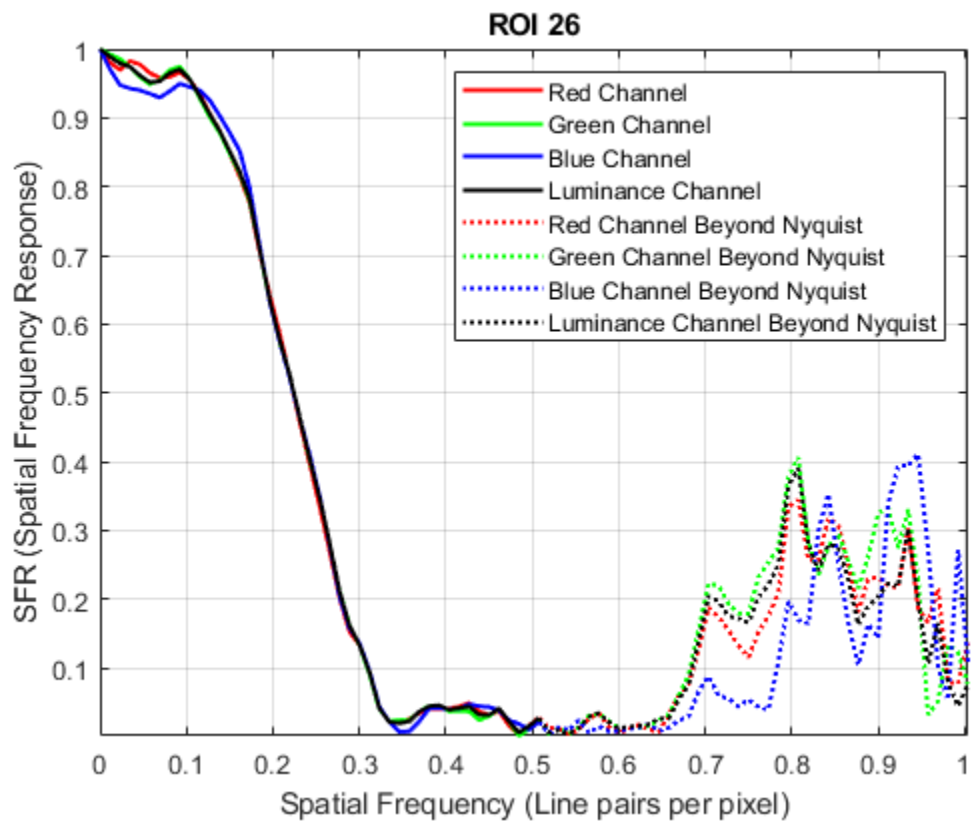


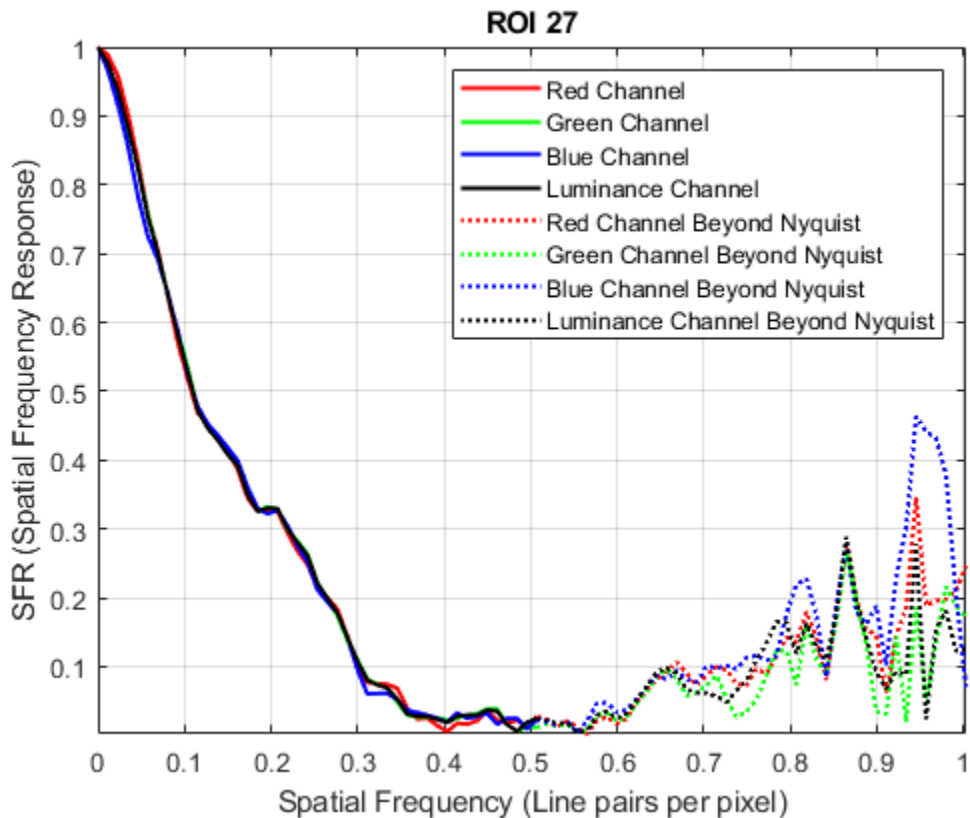
Measure the edge sharpness in all ROIs and return the measurements in sharpnessTable.

```
sharpnessTable = measureSharpness(chart);
```

Display the SFR plot of ROIs 26 and 27 only.

```
plotSFR(sharpnessTable, 'ROIIndex', [26 27]);
```





Input Arguments

sharpnessMeasurementTable — SFR measurements

sharpness table | aggregate sharpness table

SFR measurements of edges, specified as a sharpness table or aggregate sharpness table with m rows:

- When sharpnessMeasurementTable is a sharpness table, m is the number of sampled ROIs.

- When `sharpnessMeasurementTable` is an aggregate sharpness table, `m` is either 1 or 2, corresponding to the number of sampled orientations.

To obtain a sharpness table or aggregate sharpness table, use the `measureSharpness` function.

Data Types: `table`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `plotSFR(myTable, 'ROIIndex', 2)` displays the measured sharpness only of ROI 2.

ROIIndex — ROI indices

scalar | vector

ROI indices to display, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ROIIndex'` and a scalar or vector of integers in the range [1, 60]. The indices match the ROI numbers displayed by `displayChart`.

- When `sharpnessMeasurementTable` is a sharpness table, by default `plotSFR` creates only one figure, showing the SFR plot from the first row of the table.
- When `sharpnessMeasurementTable` is an aggregate sharpness table, `plotSFR` ignores the specified `ROIIndex`, and creates one figure for each row in the table.

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Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

displayLegend — Display plot legend

`true` (default) | `false`

Display plot legend, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'displayLegend'` and `true` or `false`. When `displayLegend` is `true`, the SFR plot shows a legend that identifies the different curves on the plot.

Data Types: `logical`

displayTitle — Display plot title

true (default) | false

Display plot title, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'displayTitle' and true or false. When displayTitle is true, the SFR plot shows a title that indicates the individual ROI index or aggregate ROI orientation.

Data Types: logical

Parent — Axes handle of displayed image object

axes handle

Axes handle of the displayed image object, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Parent' and an axes handle. Parent specifies the parent of the image object created by plotSFR.

See Also

Functions

displayChart | measureSharpness

Objects

esfrChart

Introduced in R2017b

poly2mask

Convert region of interest (ROI) polygon to region mask

Syntax

```
BW = poly2mask(xi,yi,m,n)
```

Description

`BW = poly2mask(xi,yi,m,n)` computes a binary region of interest (ROI) mask, `BW`, of size `m`-by-`n`, from an ROI polygon with vertices at coordinates `xi` and `yi`. `poly2mask` closes the polygon automatically, if the polygon is not already closed.

The `poly2mask` function sets pixels that are inside the polygon to 1 and sets pixels outside the polygon to 0. For more information about classifying pixels that are partially enclosed by the ROI, see Algorithm on page 1-2639.

Examples

Define Polygon and Create Mask

Specify the `x`- and `y`-coordinates of the polygon.

```
x = [63 186 54 190 63];  
y = [60 60 209 204 60];
```

Create the mask specifying the size of the image.

```
bw = poly2mask(x,y,256,256);
```

Display the mask, drawing a line around the polygon.

```
imshow(bw)  
hold on
```

```
plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)  
hold off
```



Create Mask Using Random Points to Define Polygon

Define two sets of random points for the x- and y-coordinates.

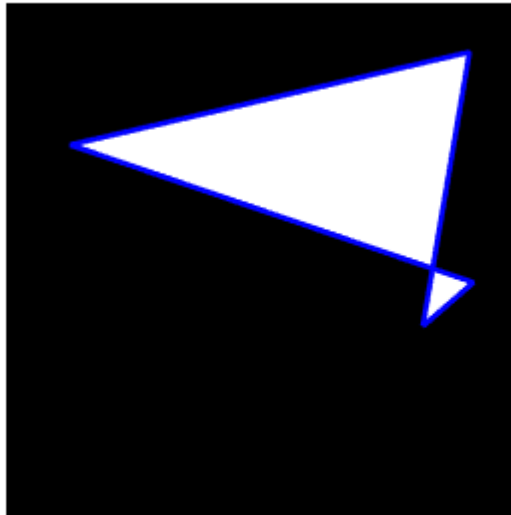
```
x = 256*rand(1,4);  
y = 256*rand(1,4);  
x(end+1) = x(1);  
y(end+1) = y(1);
```

Create the mask.

```
bw = poly2mask(x,y,256,256);
```

Display the mask and draw a line around the polygon.

```
imshow(bw)
hold on
plot(x,y,'b','LineWidth',2)
hold off
```



Input Arguments

xi, yi — x- or y-coordinate of polygon vertices

numeric vector

x- or y-coordinate of polygon vertices, specified as a numeric vector. The length of xi and yi must match.

Data Types: double

m — Number of rows in the mask

positive integer

Number of rows in the mask, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `double`

n — Number of columns in the mask

positive integer

Number of columns in the mask, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

BW — Binary image

m-by-n logical matrix

Binary image, returned as an m-by-n logical matrix.

Data Types: `logical`

Tips

- To specify a polygon that includes a given rectangular set of pixels, make the edges of the polygon lie along the outside edges of the bounding pixels, instead of the center of the pixels.

For example, to include pixels in columns 4 through 10 and rows 4 through 10, you might specify the polygon vertices like this:

```
x = [4 10 10 4 4];  
y = [4 4 10 10 4];  
mask = poly2mask(x,y,12,12)
```

```
mask =
```

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0  
0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0  
0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0  
0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0  
0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0  
0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0  
0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
```

```

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

```

In this example, the polygon goes through the center of the bounding pixels, with the result that only some of the desired bounding pixels are determined to be inside the polygon (the pixels in row 4 and column 4 and not in the polygon). To include these elements in the polygon, use fractional values to specify the outside edge of the 4th row (3.5) and the 10th row (10.5), and the outside edge of the 4th column (3.5) and the outside edge of the 10th column (10.5) as vertices, as in the following example:

```

x = [3.5 10.5 10.5 3.5 3.5];
y = [3.5 3.5 10.5 10.5 3.5];
mask = poly2mask(x,y,12,12)

```

```

mask =

```

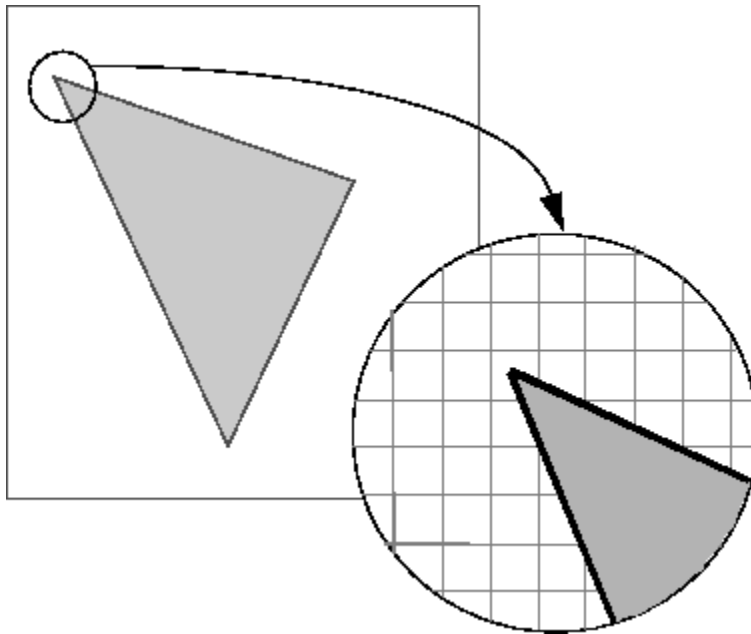
```

0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

```

Algorithms

When creating a region of interest (ROI) mask, `poly2mask` must determine which pixels are included in the region. This determination can be difficult when pixels on the edge of a region are only partially covered by the border line. The following figure illustrates a triangular region of interest, examining in close-up one of the vertices of the ROI. The figure shows how pixels can be partially covered by the border of a region-of-interest.

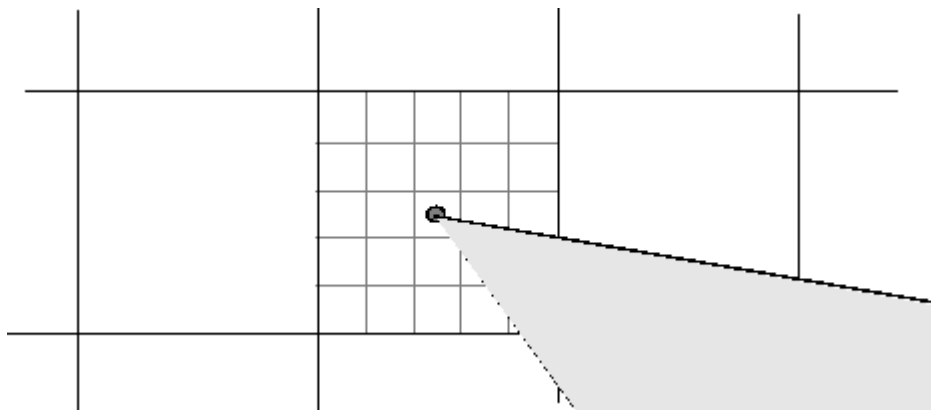


Pixels on the Edge of an ROI Are Only Partially Covered by Border

To determine which pixels are in the region, `poly2mask` uses the following algorithm:

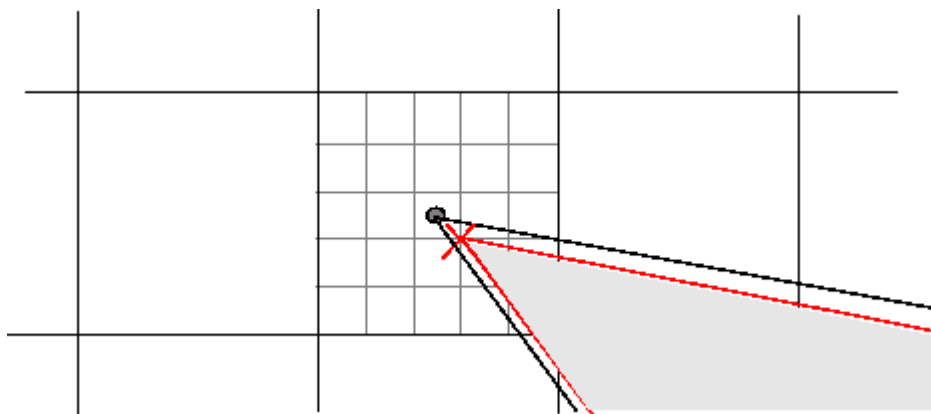
- 1** Divide each pixel into a 5-by-5 subpixel grid.

The figure shows the pixel that contains the vertex of the ROI shown previously with this 5-by-5 subpixel grid.



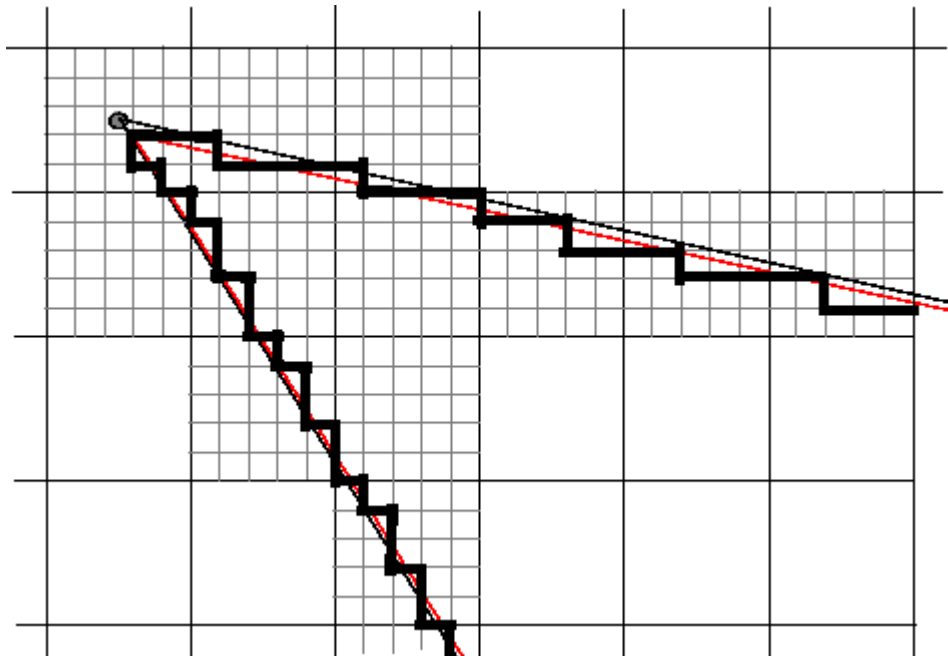
- 2** Adjust the position of the vertices.

`poly2mask` moves each vertex of the polygon to the nearest intersection of the subpixel grid. Note how `poly2mask` rounds `x` and `y` coordinates to the nearest subpixel grid corner. This creates a second, modified polygon. The figure shows the modified vertex with a red "X".



- 3** Draw a path between adjusted vertices.

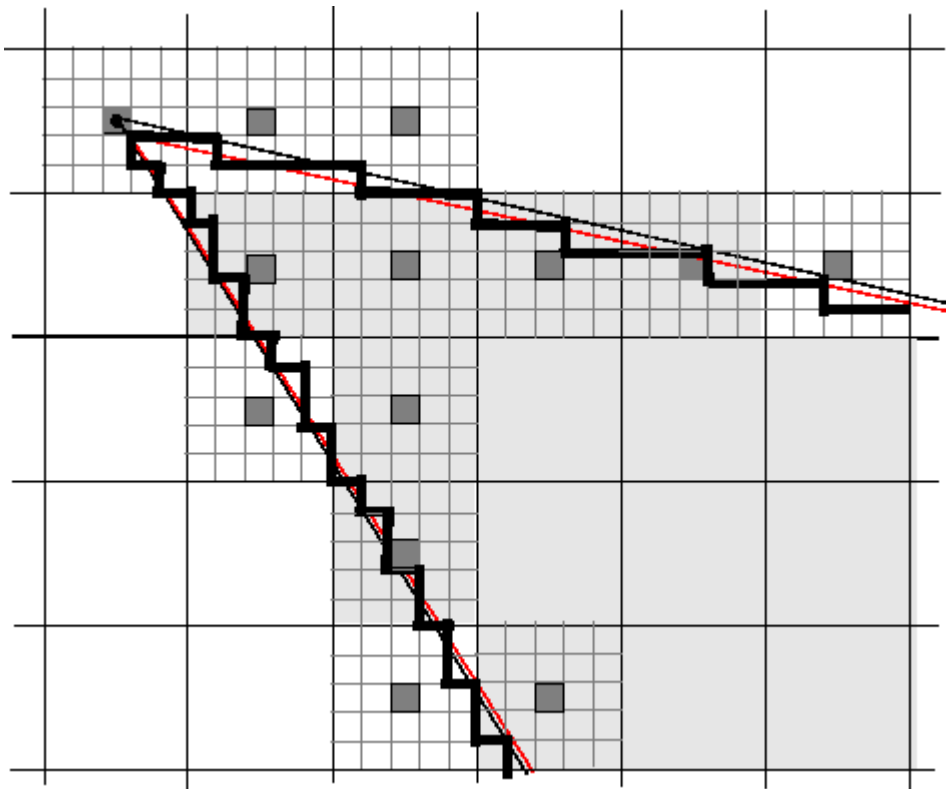
`poly2mask` forms a path from each adjusted vertex to the next, following the edges of the subpixel grid. The figure shows a portion of this modified polygon by the thick dark lines.



- 4 Determine which border pixels are inside the polygon.

`poly2mask` uses the following rule to determine which border pixels are inside the polygon: if the pixel's central subpixel is inside the boundaries defined by the path between adjusted vertices, then the pixel is inside the region.

In the following figure, the central subpixels of pixels on the ROI border are shaded a dark gray color. Pixels inside the polygon are shaded a lighter gray. Note that the pixel containing the vertex is not part of the ROI because its center pixel is not inside the modified polygon.



See Also

`roifilt2` | `roipoly`

Introduced before R2006a

images.geotrans.PolynomialTransformation2D

2-D polynomial geometric transformation

Description

A `PolynomialTransformation2D` object encapsulates a 2-D polynomial geometric transformation.

Creation

You can create a `PolynomialTransformation2D` object using the following methods:

- The `fitgeotrans` function, which estimates a geometric transformation that maps pairs of control points between two images.
- The `images.geotrans.PolynomialTransformation2D` function described here. This function creates a `PolynomialTransformation2D` object using coordinates of fixed points and moving points, or the known polynomial coefficients for the forward and inverse transformation.

Syntax

```
tform = images.geotrans.PolynomialTransformation2D(movingPoints,  
fixedPoints,degree)  
tform = images.geotrans.PolynomialTransformation2D(a,b)
```

Description

`tform = images.geotrans.PolynomialTransformation2D(movingPoints, fixedPoints, degree)` creates a `PolynomialTransformation2D` object and sets the `Degree` property. The function estimates the polynomial coefficients A and B from matrices `movingPoints` and `fixedPoints` that define matched control points in the moving and fixed images, respectively.

`tform = images.geotrans.PolynomialTransformation2D(a,b)` creates a `PolynomialTransformation2D` object and sets the `A` and `B` properties.

Input Arguments

movingPoints — *x*- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the moving image

m-by-2 matrix

x- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the moving image, specified as an *m*-by-2 matrix.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

fixedPoints — *x*- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the fixed image

m-by-2 matrix

x- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the fixed image, specified as an *m*-by-2 matrix.

Data Types: `double` | `single`

Properties

A — Polynomial coefficients used to determine *U* in the inverse transformation

n-element vector

Polynomial coefficients used to determine *U* in the inverse transformation, specified as an *n*-element vector. For polynomials of degree 2, 3, and 4, *n* is 6, 10, and 15, respectively.

The quadratic (degree 2) polynomial coefficient vector *A* is ordered as follows:

$$U = A(1) + A(2) \cdot X + A(3) \cdot Y + A(4) \cdot X \cdot Y + A(5) \cdot X.^2 + A(6) \cdot Y.^2$$

The cubic (degree 3) polynomial coefficient vector adds these terms:

$$\dots + A(7) \cdot X.^2 \cdot Y + A(8) \cdot X \cdot Y.^2 + A(9) \cdot X.^3 + A(10) \cdot Y.^3$$

The quartic (degree 4) polynomial coefficient vector adds these terms:

$$\dots + A(11) \cdot X.^3 \cdot Y + A(12) \cdot X.^2 \cdot Y.^2 + A(13) \cdot X \cdot Y.^3 + A(14) \cdot X.^4 + A(15) \cdot Y.^4$$

Data Types: `double` | `single`

B — Polynomial coefficients used to determine *V* in the inverse transformation

n-element vector

Polynomial coefficients used to determine V in the inverse transformation, specified as an n -element vector. For polynomials of degree 2, 3, and 4, n is 6, 10, and 15, respectively.

The quadratic (degree 2) polynomial coefficient vector B is ordered as follows:

$$V = B(1) + B(2) \cdot X + B(3) \cdot Y + B(4) \cdot X \cdot Y + B(5) \cdot X.^2 + B(6) \cdot Y.^2$$

The cubic (degree 3) polynomial coefficient vector adds these terms:

$$\dots + B(7) \cdot X.^2 \cdot Y + B(8) \cdot X \cdot Y.^2 + B(9) \cdot X.^3 + B(10) \cdot Y.^3$$

The quartic (degree 4) polynomial coefficient vector adds these terms:

$$\dots + B(11) \cdot X.^3 \cdot Y + B(12) \cdot X.^2 \cdot Y.^2 + B(13) \cdot X \cdot Y.^3 + B(14) \cdot X.^4 + B(15) \cdot Y.^4$$

Data Types: `double` | `single`

Degree — Degree of the polynomial transformation

2 | 3 | 4

Degree of the polynomial transformation, specified as the scalar values 2, 3, or 4.

Dimensionality — Dimensionality of the geometric transformation

2

Dimensionality of the geometric transformation for both input and output points, specified as the value 2.

Object Functions

`outputLimits`

Find output spatial limits given input spatial limits

`transformPointsInverse`

Apply inverse geometric transformation

Examples

Fit a Second Degree Polynomial Transformation to a Set of Fixed and Moving Control Points

Fit a second degree polynomial transformation to a set of fixed and moving control points that are actually related by an 2-D affine transformation.

Create 2-D affine transformation.

```
theta = 10;
tformAffine = affine2d([cosd(theta) -sind(theta) 0; sind(theta) cosd(theta) 0; 0 0 1])
```

Arbitrarily choose six pairs of control points. A second degree polynomial requires six pairs of control points.

```
fixedPoints = [10 20; 10 5; 2 3; 0 5; -5 3; -10 -20];
```

Apply forward geometric transformation to map fixed points to obtain effect of fixed and moving points that are related by some geometric transformation.

```
movingPoints = transformPointsForward(tformAffine, fixedPoints);
```

Estimate second degree `PolynomialTransformation2D` transformation that fits `fixedPoints` and `movingPoints`.

```
tformPolynomial = images.geotrans.PolynomialTransformation2D(movingPoints, fixedPoints, 2)
```

Verify the fit of the `PolynomialTransformation2D` transformation at the control points.

```
movingPointsEstimated = transformPointsInverse(tformPolynomial, fixedPoints);
errorInFit = hypot(movingPointsEstimated(:,1)-movingPoints(:,1), ...
                  movingPointsEstimated(:,2)-movingPoints(:,2))
```

Definitions

U* and *V

U and *V* are the *x*- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the original coordinate system. This is the same coordinate system as obtained by performing a forward transformation followed by its inverse transformation.

X* and *Y

X and *Y* are the *x*- and *y*-coordinates of control points in the forward transformed coordinate system.

See Also

Functions

`cpselect` | `fitgeotrans` | `imwarp`

Objects

`LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` | `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` | `affine2d` | `projective2d`

Introduced in R2013b

projective2d

2-D projective geometric transformation

Description

A `projective2d` object encapsulates a 2-D projective geometric transformation.

Creation

A `projective2d` object encapsulates a 2-D projective geometric transformation.

You can create a `projective2d` object using the following methods:

- `fitgeotrans` — Estimates a geometric transformation that maps pairs of control points between two images
- The `projective2d` function described here

Syntax

```
tform = projective2d  
tform = projective2d(A)
```

Description

`tform = projective2d` creates an `affine2d` object with default property settings that correspond to the identity transformation.

`tform = projective2d(A)` sets the property `T` with a valid projective transformation defined by nonsingular matrix `A`.

Properties

T — Forward 2-D projective transformation

nonsingular 3-by-3 numeric matrix

Forward 2-D projective transformation, specified as a nonsingular 3-by-3 numeric matrix.

The matrix T uses the convention:

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u & v & 1 \end{bmatrix} * T$$

where T has the form:

```
[a b c;...  
 d e f;...  
 g h i];
```

The default of T is the identity transformation.

Data Types: double | single

Dimensionality — Dimensionality of the geometric transformation

2

Dimensionality of the geometric transformation for both input and output points, specified as the value 2.

Object Functions

invert	Invert geometric transformation
outputLimits	Find output spatial limits given input spatial limits
transformPointsForward	Apply forward geometric transformation
transformPointsInverse	Apply inverse geometric transformation

Examples

Apply Projective Transformation to Image

This example shows how to apply rotation and tilt to an image, using a `projective2d` geometric transformation object created directly from a transformation matrix.

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

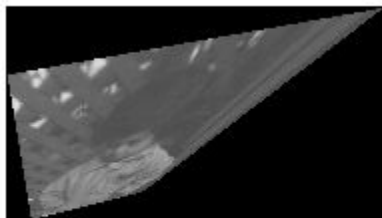
```
I = imread('pout.tif');
```

Create a geometric transformation object. This example combines rotation and tilt into a transformation matrix, `tm`. Use this transformation matrix to construct a `projective2d` geometric transformation object, `tform`.

```
theta = 10;  
tm = [cosd(theta) -sind(theta) 0.001; ...  
      sind(theta) cosd(theta) 0.01; ...  
      0 0 1];  
tform = projective2d(tm);
```

Apply the transformation using `imwarp`. View the transformed image.

```
outputImage = imwarp(I,tform);  
figure  
imshow(outputImage);
```



Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `projective2d` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, you can only specify singular objects—arrays of objects are not supported.

See Also

Functions

`fitgeotrans` | `imwarp`

Objects

`LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D` | `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D` | `PolynomialTransformation2D` | `affine2d` | `geometricTransform2d`

Topics

“Register an Aerial Photograph to a Digital Orthophoto”

“2-D and 3-D Geometric Transformation Process Overview”

“Matrix Representation of Geometric Transformations”

Introduced in R2013a

psf2otf

Convert point-spread function to optical transfer function

Syntax

```
OTF = psf2otf(PSF)
OTF = psf2otf(PSF,sz)
```

Description

`OTF = psf2otf(PSF)` computes the fast Fourier transform (FFT) of the point-spread function (PSF) array and creates the optical transfer function array, `OTF`, that is not influenced by the PSF off-centering.

`OTF = psf2otf(PSF,sz)` specifies the size, `sz`, of the optical transfer function.

Examples

Convert PSF to OTF

Create a point-spread function (PSF).

```
PSF = fspecial('gaussian',13,1);
```

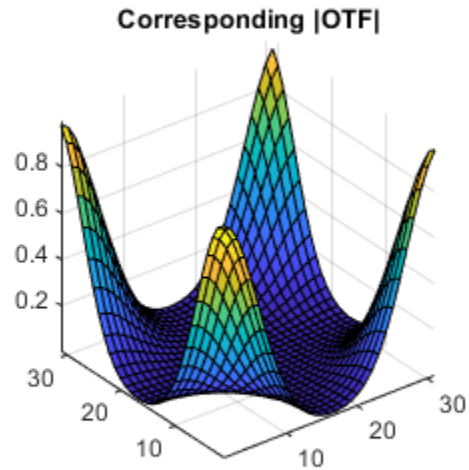
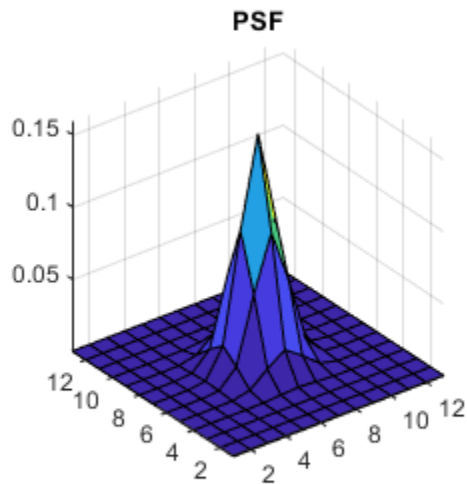
Convert the PSF to an Optical Transfer Function (OTF).

```
OTF = psf2otf(PSF,[31 31]);
```

Plot the PSF and the OTF.

```
subplot(1,2,1);
surf(PSF);
title('PSF');
axis square;
axis tight
```

```
subplot(1,2,2);  
surf(abs(OTF));  
title('Corresponding |OTF|');  
axis square;  
axis tight
```



Input Arguments

PSF — Point-spread function

numeric array

Point-spread function, specified as a numeric array of any dimension.

```
Example: PSF = fspecial('gaussian',13,1);
```

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Complex Number Support: Yes

sz — Size of optical transfer function

vector of positive integers

Size of the output optical transfer function OTF, specified as a vector of positive integers. The size of OTF must not exceed the size of PSF in any dimension. By default, OTF is the same size as PSF.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

OTF — Optical transfer function

numeric array

Optical transfer function, returned as a numeric array of size `sz`.

Data Types: `double`

Complex Number Support: Yes

Tips

- To ensure that OTF is not altered because of PSF off-centering, `psf2otf` postpads PSF (down or to the right) with 0s to match dimensions specified in `sz`. Then `psf2otf` circularly shifts the values of PSF up (or to the left) until the central pixel reaches (1,1) position.
- This function is used in image convolution and deconvolution when the operations involve the FFT.

See Also

`circshift` | `fft` | `ifft` | `otf2psf` | `padarray`

Topics

“Create Your Own Deblurring Functions”

Introduced before R2006a

psnr

Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR)

Syntax

```
peaksnr = psnr(A,ref)
peaksnr = psnr(A,ref,peakval)
[peaksnr,snr] = psnr( ___ )
```

Description

`peaksnr = psnr(A,ref)` calculates the peak signal-to-noise ratio for the image `A`, with the image `ref` as the reference. `A` and `ref` must be of the same size and class.

`peaksnr = psnr(A,ref,peakval)` uses `peakval` as the peak signal value for calculating the peak signal-to-noise ratio for image `A`.

`[peaksnr,snr] = psnr(___)` returns the simple signal-to-noise ratio, `snr`, in addition to the peak signal-to-noise ratio.

Examples

Calculate PSNR for Noisy Image Given Original Image as Reference

Read image and create a copy with added noise. The original image is the reference image.

```
ref = imread('pout.tif');
A = imnoise(ref,'salt & pepper', 0.02);
```

Calculate the PSNR.

```
[peaksnr,snr] = psnr(A,ref);
fprintf('\n The Peak-SNR value is %0.4f', peaksnr);
```

```
The Peak-SNR value is 22.6437
fprintf('\n The SNR value is %0.4f \n', snr);
The SNR value is 15.5524
```

Input Arguments

A — Image to be analyzed

N-D numeric matrix

Image to be analyzed, specified as an N-D numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

ref — Reference image

N-D numeric matrix

Reference image, specified as an N-D numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

peakval — Peak signal level

scalar of any numeric class

Peak signal level, specified as a scalar of any numeric class. If not specified, the default value for `peakval` depends on the class of `A` and `ref`. If the images are of floating point types, `peakval` is 1, assuming that the data is in the range `[0 1]`. If the images are of integer data types, `peakval` is the largest value allowed by the range of the class. For `uint8`, the default value is 255. For `uint16` or `int16`, the default is 65535.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

peaksnr — Peak signal-to-noise ratio

scalar

Peak signal-to-noise ratio in decibels, returned as a scalar of type `double`, except if `A` and `ref` are of class `single`, in which case `peaksnr` is of class `single`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

snr — Signal-to-noise ratio

scalar

Signal-to-noise ratio in decibels, returned as a scalar of type `double`, except if `A` and `ref` are of class `single`, in which case `peaksnr` is of class `single`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Algorithms

The `psnr` function implements the following equation to calculate the Peak Signal-to-Noise Ratio (PSNR):

$$PSNR = 10\log_{10}(peakval^2/MSE)$$

where *peakval* is either specified by the user or taken from the range of the image datatype (e.g. for `uint8` image it is 255). *MSE* is the mean square error, i.e. *MSE* between `A` and `ref`.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `psnr` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

See Also

`immse` | `mean` | `median` | `ssim` | `sum` | `var`

Topics

“Image Quality Metrics”

Introduced in R2014a

qtdecomp

Quadtree decomposition

Syntax

```
S = qtdecomp(I)
S = qtdecomp(I,threshold)
S = qtdecomp(I,threshold,mindim)
S = qtdecomp(I,threshold,[mindim maxdim])
S = qtdecomp(I,fun)
```

Description

`S = qtdecomp(I)` performs a quadtree decomposition on the grayscale image `I` and returns the quadtree structure in the sparse matrix `S`. By default, `qtdecomp` splits a block unless all elements in the block are equal.

`S = qtdecomp(I,threshold)` splits a block if the maximum value of the block elements minus the minimum value of the block elements is greater than `threshold`.

`S = qtdecomp(I,threshold,mindim)` will not produce blocks smaller than `mindim`, even if the resulting blocks do not meet the threshold condition.

`S = qtdecomp(I,threshold,[mindim maxdim])` will not produce blocks smaller than `mindim` or larger than `maxdim`. Blocks larger than `maxdim` are split even if they meet the threshold condition.

`S = qtdecomp(I,fun)` uses the function `fun` to determine whether to split a block.

Examples

Perform Quadtree Decomposition of Sample Matrix

Create a small sample matrix.

```
I = uint8([1 1 1 2 3 6 6;...
          1 1 2 1 4 5 6 8;...
          1 1 1 1 7 7 7 7;...
          1 1 1 1 6 6 5 5;...
          20 22 20 22 1 2 3 4;...
          20 22 22 20 5 4 7 8;...
          20 22 20 20 9 12 40 12;...
          20 22 20 20 13 14 15 16]);
```

Perform the quadtree decomposition and display the results.

```
S = qtdecomp(I, .05);
disp(full(S));
```

```
 4     0     0     0     4     0     0     0
 0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 4     0     0     0     2     0     2     0
 0     0     0     0     0     0     0     0
 0     0     0     0     2     0     1     1
 0     0     0     0     0     0     1     1
```

View Block Representation of Quadtree Decomposition

Read image into the workspace.

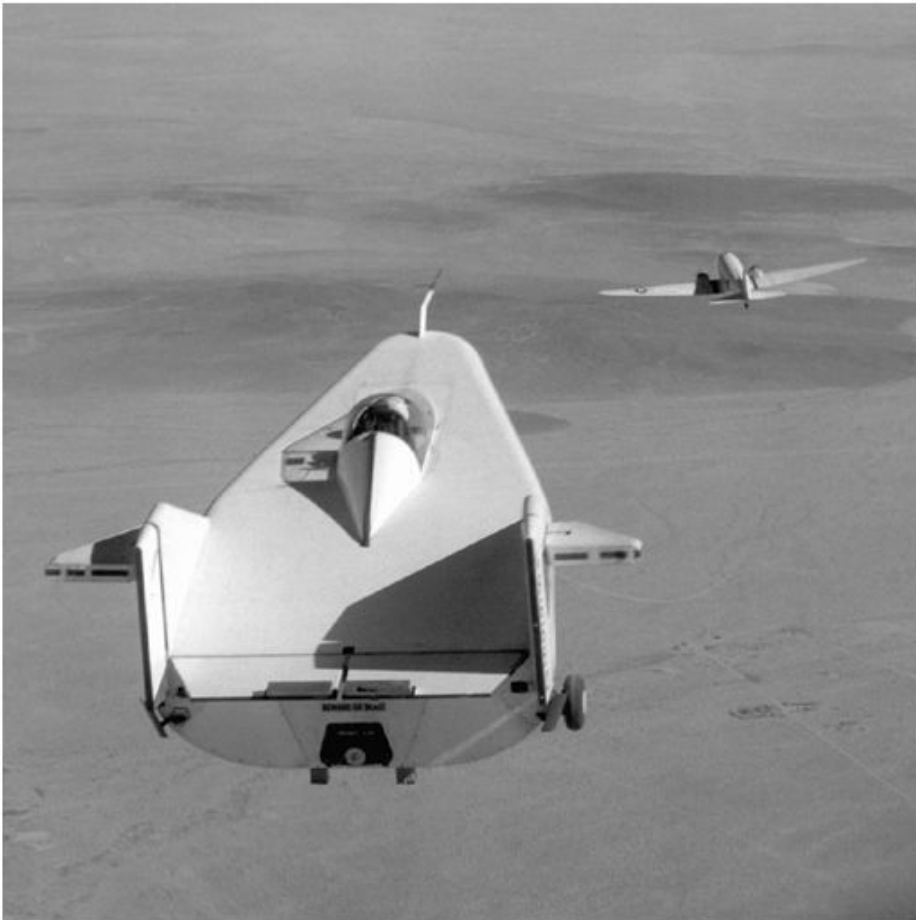
```
I = imread('liftingbody.png');
```

Perform the quadtree decomposition and display the block representation in a figure.

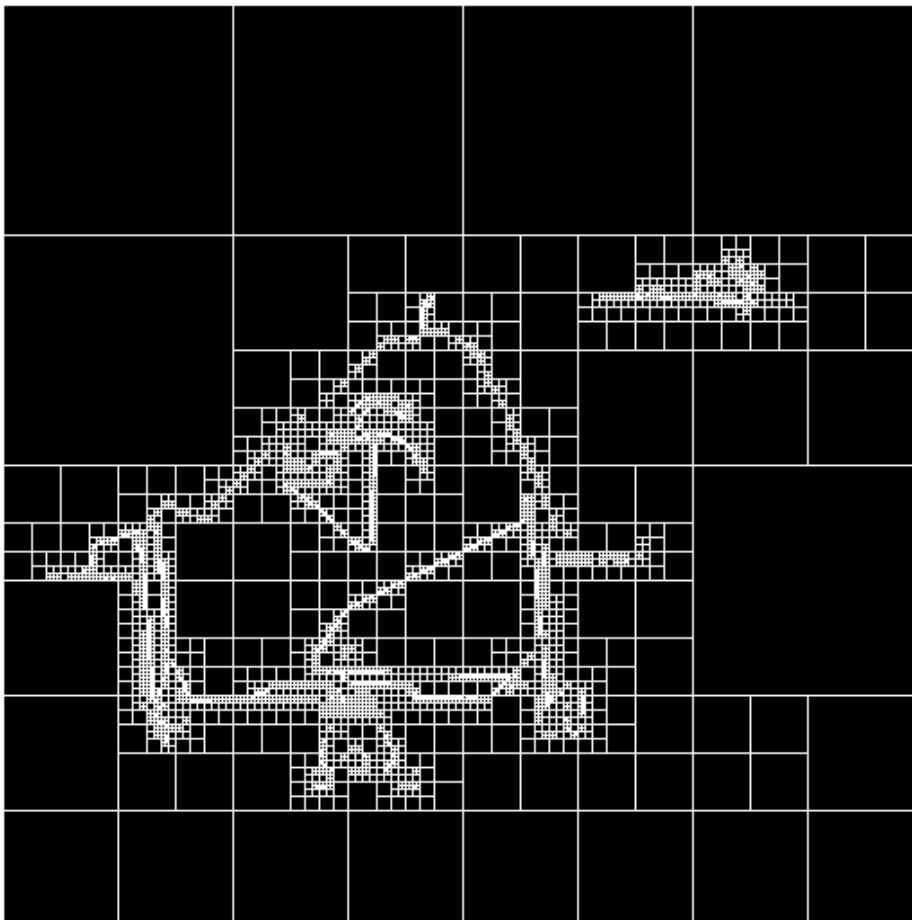
```
S = qtdecomp(I, .27);
blocks = repmat(uint8(0), size(S));

for dim = [512 256 128 64 32 16 8 4 2 1];
    numblocks = length(find(S==dim));
    if (numblocks > 0)
        values = repmat(uint8(1), [dim dim numblocks]);
        values(2:dim, 2:dim, :) = 0;
        blocks = qtsetblk(blocks, S, dim, values);
    end
end
```

```
blocks(end,1:end) = 1;  
blocks(1:end,end) = 1;  
  
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(blocks, [])
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

m-by-*n* numeric matrix

Grayscale image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* numeric matrix. If the syntax includes a function handle, `fun`, then the image can be of any class supported by the function.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

threshold — Threshold of block homogeneity

scalar in the range [0, 1]

Threshold of block homogeneity, specified as a scalar in the range [0, 1].

- If `I` is of class `uint8`, then `qtdecomp` multiplies the value of `threshold` by 255 to determine the actual threshold to use.
- If `I` is of class `uint8`, then `qtdecomp` multiplies the value of `threshold` by 65535 to determine the actual threshold to use.

mindim — Minimum block dimension

positive integer

Minimum block size, specified as a positive integer. `mindim` must be a factor of the image size.

maxdim — Maximum block dimension

positive integer

Maximum block size, specified as a positive integer. `maxdim`/`mindim` must be a power of 2.

fun — Function handle

handle

Function handle, specified as a handle. The function must accept as input all *m*-by-*m* blocks stacked into an *m*-by-*m*-by-*k* array, where *k* is the number of blocks. The function must return a logical *k*-element vector, whose values are 1 if the corresponding block should be split, and 0 otherwise. For example, if `k(3)` is 0, then the third *m*-by-*m* block should not be split.

For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

Output Arguments

S — Quadtree structure

sparse matrix

Quadtree structure, returned as a sparse matrix. If $S(k,m)$ is nonzero, then (k,m) is the upper left corner of a block in the decomposition, and the size of the block is given by $S(k,m)$.

Data Types: double

Tips

- `qtdecomp` is appropriate primarily for square images whose dimensions are a power of 2, such as 128-by-128 or 512-by-512. These images can be divided until the blocks are as small as 1-by-1. If you use `qtdecomp` with an image whose dimensions are not a power of 2, at some point the blocks cannot be divided further. For example, if an image is 96-by-96, it can be divided into blocks of size 48-by-48, then 24-by-24, 12-by-12, 6-by-6, and finally 3-by-3. No further division beyond 3-by-3 is possible. To process this image, you must set `mindim` to 3 (or to 3 times a power of 2); if you are using the syntax that includes a function, `fun`, the function must return 0 at the point when the block cannot be divided further.

Algorithms

The `qtdecomp` function divides a square image into four equal-sized square blocks, and then tests each block to see if it meets some criterion of homogeneity. If a block meets the criterion, it is not divided any further. If it does not meet the criterion, it is subdivided again into four blocks, and the test criterion is applied to those blocks. This process is repeated iteratively until each block meets the criterion. The result can have blocks of several different sizes.

See Also

`qtgetblk` | `qtsetblk`

Introduced before R2006a

qtgetblk

Block values in quadtree decomposition

Syntax

```
[vals, r, c] = qtgetblk(I, S, dim)
[vals, idx] = qtgetblk(I, S, dim)
```

Description

`[vals, r, c] = qtgetblk(I, S, dim)` returns in `vals` an array containing the `dim`-by-`dim` blocks in the quadtree decomposition of `I`. `S` is the sparse matrix returned by `qtdecomp`; it contains the quadtree structure. `vals` is a `dim`-by-`dim`-by-`k` array, where `k` is the number of `dim`-by-`dim` blocks in the quadtree decomposition; if there are no blocks of the specified size, all outputs are returned as empty matrices. `r` and `c` are vectors containing the row and column coordinates of the upper left corners of the blocks.

`[vals, idx] = qtgetblk(I, S, dim)` returns in `idx` a vector containing the linear indices of the upper left corners of the blocks.

Class Support

`I` can be of class `logical`, `uint8`, `uint16`, `int16`, `single`, or `double`. `S` is of class `sparse`.

Examples

```
I = [1   1   1   1   2   3   6   6
      1   1   2   1   4   5   6   8
      1   1   1   1  10  15   7   7
      1   1   1   1  20  25   7   7
     20  22  20  22   1   2   3   4
     20  22  22  20   5   6   7   8
```

```
20 22 20 20 9 10 11 12  
22 22 20 20 13 14 15 16];
```

```
S = qtdecomp(I,5);
```

```
[vals,r,c] = qtgetblk(I,S,4)
```

Tips

The ordering of the blocks in `vals` matches the columnwise order of the blocks in `I`. For example, if `vals` is 4-by-4-by-2, `vals(:, :, 1)` contains the values from the first 4-by-4 block in `I`, and `vals(:, :, 2)` contains the values from the second 4-by-4 block.

See Also

`qtdecomp` | `qtsetblk`

Introduced before R2006a

qtsetblk

Set block values in quadtree decomposition

Syntax

```
J = qtsetblk(I, S, dim, vals)
```

Description

`J = qtsetblk(I, S, dim, vals)` replaces each `dim`-by-`dim` block in the quadtree decomposition of `I` with the corresponding `dim`-by-`dim` block in `vals`. `S` is the sparse matrix returned by `qtdecomp`; it contains the quadtree structure. `vals` is a `dim`-by-`dim`-by-`k` array, where `k` is the number of `dim`-by-`dim` blocks in the quadtree decomposition.

Class Support

`I` can be of class `logical`, `uint8`, `uint16`, `int16`, `single`, or `double`. `S` is of class `sparse`.

Examples

```
I = [1  1  1  1  2  3  6  6
      1  1  2  1  4  5  6  8
      1  1  1  1 10 15  7  7
      1  1  1  1 20 25  7  7
     20 22 20 22  1  2  3  4
     20 22 22 20  5  6  7  8
     20 22 20 20  9 10 11 12
     22 22 20 20 13 14 15 16];
```

```
S = qtdecomp(I,5);
```

```
newvals = cat(3,zeros(4),ones(4));
J = qtsetblk(I,S,4,newvals)
```

Tips

The ordering of the blocks in `vals` must match the columnwise order of the blocks in `I`. For example, if `vals` is 4-by-4-by-2, `vals(:, :, 1)` contains the values used to replace the first 4-by-4 block in `I`, and `vals(:, :, 2)` contains the values for the second 4-by-4 block.

See Also

`qtdecomp` | `qtgetblk`

Introduced before R2006a

radon

Radon transform

Syntax

```
R = radon(I)
R = radon(I,theta)
[R, xp] = radon( ___ )
```

Description

`R = radon(I)` returns the Radon transform `R` of 2-D grayscale image `I` for angles in the range `[0, 179]` degrees. The Radon transform is the projection of the image intensity along a radial line oriented at a specific angle.

You optionally can compute the Radon transform using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`R = radon(I, theta)` returns the Radon transform for the angles specified by `theta`.

`[R, xp] = radon(___)` returns a vector `xp` containing the radial coordinates corresponding to each row of the image.

Examples

Calculate Radon Transform and Display Plot

Make the axes scale visible for this image.

```
iptsetpref('ImshowAxesVisible','on')
```

Create a sample image.

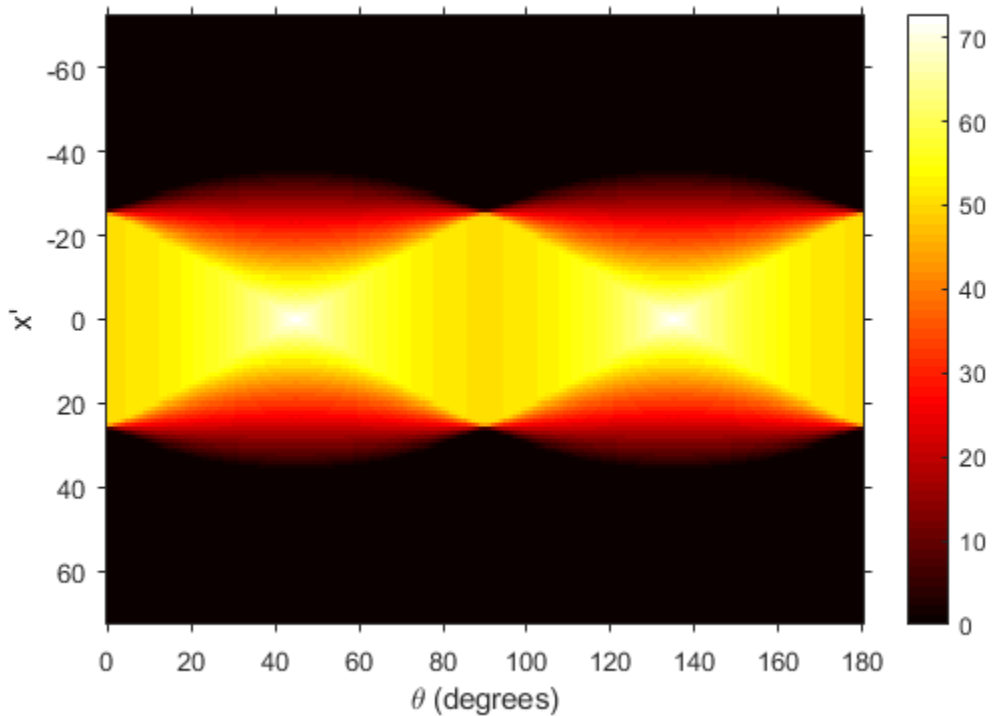
```
I = zeros(100,100);
I(25:75, 25:75) = 1;
```

Calculate the Radon transform.

```
theta = 0:180;  
[R,xp] = radon(I,theta);
```

Display the transform.

```
imshow(R,[],'Xdata',theta,'Ydata',xp,'InitialMagnification','fit')  
xlabel('\theta (degrees)')  
ylabel('x')  
colormap(gca,hot), colorbar
```



Make the axes scale invisible.

```
iptsetpref('ImshowAxesVisible','off')
```

Input Arguments

I — Image

2-D grayscale image

Image, specified as a 2-D grayscale image.

To calculate the Radon transform using a GPU, specify **I** as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D grayscale image of data type `single`, `double`, `uint8`, `uint16`, `uint32`, `int8`, `int16`, or `int32`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

theta — Projection angles

0:179 (default) | numeric scalar | numeric vector | `gpuArray`

Projection angles (in degrees), specified as a numeric scalar or numeric vector.

If you calculate the Radon transform using a GPU, then **theta** can optionally be a `gpuArray` containing a numeric scalar or vector.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

R — Radon transform

numeric column vector | numeric matrix | `gpuArray`

Radon transform of image **I**, returned as one of the following.

- If **theta** is a scalar, then **R** is a numeric column vector containing the Radon transform for **theta** degrees.
- If **theta** is a vector, then **R** is a matrix in which each column is the Radon transform for one of the angles in **theta**.

If the Radon transform is computed using a GPU, then **R** is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric column vector or numeric matrix.

xp — Radial coordinates

numeric vector | gpuArray

Radial coordinates corresponding to each row of `R`, returned as a numeric vector. The radial coordinates are the values along the x' -axis, which is oriented at `theta` degrees counterclockwise from the x -axis. The origin of both axes is the center pixel of the image, which is defined as

```
floor((size(I)+1)/2)
```

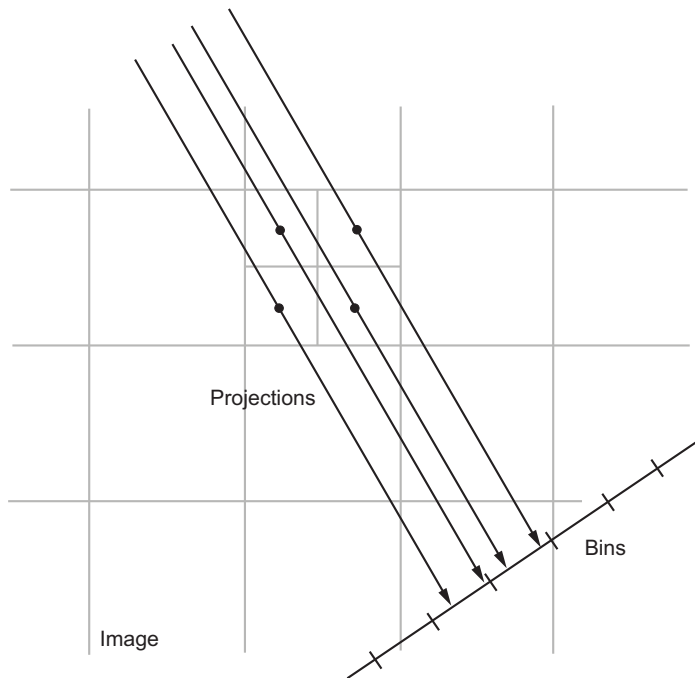
For example, in a 20-by-30 image, the center pixel is (10,15).

If the Radon transform is computed using a GPU, then `xp` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric vector.

Algorithms

The Radon transform of an image is the sum of the Radon transforms of each individual pixel.

The algorithm first divides pixels in the image into four subpixels and projects each subpixel separately, as shown in the following figure.



Each subpixel's contribution is proportionally split into the two nearest bins, according to the distance between the projected location and the bin centers. If the subpixel projection hits the center point of a bin, the bin on the axes gets the full value of the subpixel, or one-fourth the value of the pixel. If the subpixel projection hits the border between two bins, the subpixel value is split evenly between the bins.

References

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Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

fan2para | fanbeam | ifanbeam | iradon | para2fan | phantom

Introduced before R2006a

randomPatchExtractionDatastore

Datastore for extracting random patches from images or pixel label images

Description

A `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` extracts corresponding randomly-positioned patches from two datastores. The input datastores can be two image datastores that contain the network inputs and desired network responses for training deep neural networks, or ground truth images and pixel label data for training semantic segmentation networks.

This object requires that you have Deep Learning Toolbox.

Note When you use a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` as a source of training data, the datastore extracts multiple random patches from each image for each epoch, so that each epoch uses a slightly different data set. The actual number of training patches at each epoch is the number of training images multiplied by `PatchesPerImage`. The image patches are not stored in memory.

Creation

Syntax

```
patchds = randomPatchExtractionDatastore(imds1,imds2,patchSize)
patchds = randomPatchExtractionDatastore(imds1,pxds,patchSize)
patchds = randomPatchExtractionDatastore( ___,Name,Value)
```

Description

```
patchds = randomPatchExtractionDatastore(imds1,imds2,patchSize)
```

creates a datastore that extracts randomly-positioned patches of size `patchSize` from images in image datastore `imds1` and corresponding patches from images in image datastore `imds2`.

`patchds = randomPatchExtractionDatastore(imds1,pxds,patchSize)` creates a datastore that extracts randomly-positioned patches of size `patchSize` from ground truth images in image datastore `imds1` and corresponding patches from pixel label images in pixel label datastore `pxds`.

This syntax requires Computer Vision Toolbox.

`patchds = randomPatchExtractionDatastore(___,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to set the `PatchesPerImage`, `DataAugmentation`, and `DispatchInBackground` properties. You can specify multiple name-value pairs. Enclose each argument or property name in quotes.

For example,
`randomPatchExtractionDatastore(imds1,imds2,50,'PatchesPerImage',40)` creates a datastore that randomly generates 40 patches of size 50-by-50 pixels from each image in image datastores `imds1` and `imds2`.

Input Arguments

imds1 — Input image data

ImageDatastore object

Input image data containing training input to the network, specified as an ImageDatastore object.

ImageDatastore allows batch-reading of JPG or PNG image files using prefetching. If you use a custom function for reading the images, then prefetching does not happen.

imds2 — Response image data

ImageDatastore object

Response image data representing the desired network responses, specified as an ImageDatastore object.

pxds — Response pixel label data

pixelLabelDatastore object

Response pixel label data representing the desired network responses, specified as a pixelLabelDatastore object.

patchSize — Patch size

positive integer | 2-element vector of positive integers

Patch size, specified as one of the following.

- A positive integer that specifies the number of rows and columns of square patches.
- A 2-element vector of positive integers, of the form $[r\ c]$. The first element specifies the number of rows in the patch, and the second element specifies the number of columns.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Properties

PatchesPerImage — Number of random patches per image

128 (default) | positive integer

Number of random patches per image, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

DataAugmentation — Preprocessing applied to input images

'none' (default) | `imageDataAugmenter` object

Preprocessing applied to input images, specified as an `imageDataAugmenter` object or 'none'. When `DataAugmentation` is 'none', no preprocessing is applied to input images.

Augment data with random transformations, such as resizing, rotation, and reflection, to help prevent the network from overfitting and memorizing the exact details of the training data. The `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` applies the same random transformation to both patches in each pair.

DispatchInBackground — Dispatch observations in background

false (default) | true

Dispatch observations in the background during training, prediction, or classification, specified as `false` or `true`. To use background dispatching, you must have Parallel Computing Toolbox.

MiniBatchSize — Number of observations in each batch

positive integer

This property is read-only.

Number of observations that are returned in each batch. For training, prediction, and classification, the `MiniBatchSize` property is set to the mini-batch size defined in `trainingOptions`.

NumObservations — Total number of observations in the datastore

positive integer

This property is read-only.

Total number of observations in the `randomPatchExtractionDatastore`. The number of observations is the length of one training epoch.

Object Functions

<code>hasdata</code>	Determine if data is available to read
<code>partitionByIndex</code>	Partition <code>randomPatchExtractionDatastore</code> according to indices
<code>preview</code>	Subset of data in datastore
<code>read</code>	Read data from <code>randomPatchExtractionDatastore</code>
<code>readall</code>	Read all data in datastore
<code>readByIndex</code>	Read data specified by index from <code>randomPatchExtractionDatastore</code>
<code>reset</code>	Reset datastore to initial state
<code>shuffle</code>	Shuffle data in <code>randomPatchExtractionDatastore</code>

Examples

Create Random Patch Extraction Datastore

Create an image datastore containing training images. The datastore in this example contains JPEG color images.

```
imageDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('images'),'imdata');  
imds1 = imageDatastore(imageDir,'FileExtensions','.jpg');
```

Create a second image datastore containing desired network responses. This image datastore includes a custom read function called `myreadfcn` (defined at the end of the example) that smooths images using a Gaussian blur.

```
imds2 = imageDatastore(imageDir,'FileExtensions','.jpg','ReadFcn',@myreadfcn);
```

Create an `imageDataAugmenter` that rotates images by random angles in the range [0, 90] degrees and randomly reflects image data horizontally.

```
augmenter = imageDataAugmenter('RandRotation',[0 90],'RandXReflection',true)
```

```
augmenter =  
    imageDataAugmenter with properties:
```

```
        FillValue: 0  
    RandXReflection: 1  
    RandYReflection: 0  
    RandRotation: [0 90]  
        RandScale: [1 1]  
    RandXScale: [1 1]  
    RandYScale: [1 1]  
    RandXShear: [0 0]  
    RandYShear: [0 0]  
    RandXTranslation: [0 0]  
    RandYTranslation: [0 0]
```

Create a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object that extracts random patches of size [100 100] from the unprocessed training images and corresponding smoothed response images. Specify the augmentation options by setting the `DataAugmentation` property.

```
patchds = randomPatchExtractionDatastore(imds1,imds2,[100 100], ...  
    'DataAugmentation',augmenter)
```

```
patchds =  
    randomPatchExtractionDatastore with properties:
```

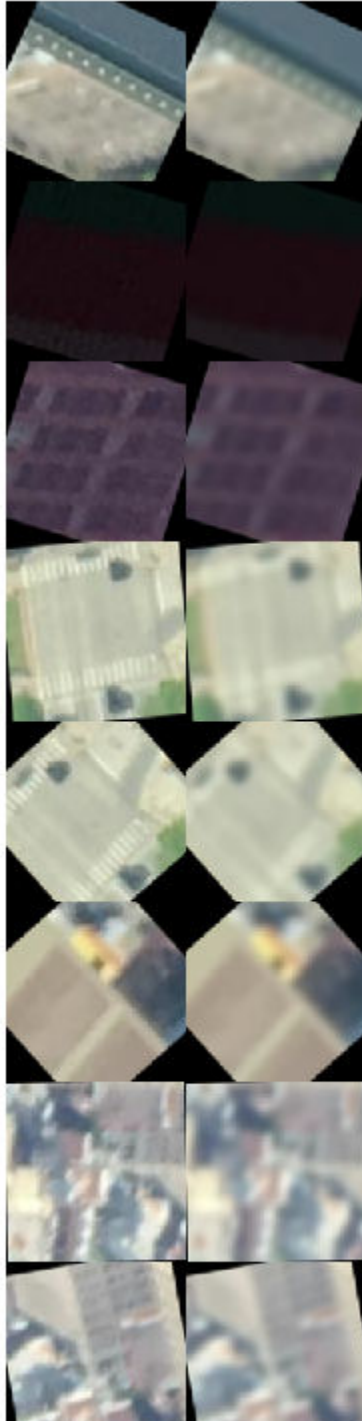
```
        PatchesPerImage: 128  
            PatchSize: [100 100]  
    DataAugmentation: [1x1 imageDataAugmenter]  
        MiniBatchSize: 128  
        NumObservations: 4736  
    DispatchInBackground: 0
```

Preview a set of augmented image patches and the corresponding smoothed image patches.

```
minibatch = preview(patchds);  
inputs = minibatch.InputImage;
```

```
responses = minibatch.ResponseImage;
test = cat(2,inputs,responses);
montage(test','Size',[8 2])
title('Inputs (Left) and Responses (Right)')
```


Inputs (Left) and Responses (Right)



Supporting Function

This example defines the `myreadfcn` function that reads a file from disk then smooths the image by applying a Gaussian blur. The function returns the smoothed image.

```
function J = myreadfcn(filename)
    I = imread(filename);
    J = imgaussfilt(I,2);
end
```

Train Semantic Segmentation Network Using Random Patch Extraction Datastore

Create an image datastore containing training images.

```
dataDir = fullfile(toolboxdir('vision'),'visiondata','triangleImages');
imageDir = fullfile(dataDir,'trainingImages');
imds = imageDatastore(imageDir);
```

Define class names and their associated label IDs. Then, create a pixel label datastore containing the ground truth pixel labels for the training images.

```
classNames = ["triangle","background"];
labelIDs = [255 0];
labelDir = fullfile(dataDir,'trainingLabels');
pxds = pixelLabelDatastore(labelDir,classNames,labelIDs);
```

Create a random patch extraction datastore to extract random patches of size 32-by-32 pixels from the images and corresponding pixel labels. Set the optional `PatchesPerImage` property to extract 512 random patches from each image and pixel label pair.

```
patchds = randomPatchExtractionDatastore(imds,pxds,32, ...
    'PatchesPerImage',512);
```

Create a network for semantic segmentation.

```
layers = [
    imageInputLayer([32 32 1])
    convolution2dLayer(3,64,'Padding',1)
    reluLayer()
    maxPooling2dLayer(2,'Stride',2)
    convolution2dLayer(3,64,'Padding',1)
```

```

reluLayer()
transposedConv2dLayer(4,64,'Stride',2,'Cropping',1)
convolution2dLayer(1,2)
softmaxLayer()
pixelClassificationLayer()
]

layers =
    10x1 Layer array with layers:

    1 '' Image Input          32x32x1 images with 'zerocenter' normalizat
    2 '' Convolution          64 3x3 convolutions with stride [1 1] and p
    3 '' ReLU                 ReLU
    4 '' Max Pooling          2x2 max pooling with stride [2 2] and padd
    5 '' Convolution          64 3x3 convolutions with stride [1 1] and p
    6 '' ReLU                 ReLU
    7 '' Transposed Convolution 64 4x4 transposed convolutions with stride
    8 '' Convolution          2 1x1 convolutions with stride [1 1] and p
    9 '' Softmax              softmax
    10 '' Pixel Classification Layer Cross-entropy loss

```

Set up training options. To reduce training time, set `MaxEpochs` to 5.

```

options = trainingOptions('sgdm', ...
    'InitialLearnRate',1e-3, ...
    'MaxEpochs',5, ...
    'Verbose',false);

```

Train the network.

```
net = trainNetwork(patchds,layers,options);
```

Tips

- The `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` expects that the output from the `read` operation on the input datastores return arrays of the same size.
- The `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` always reads one image at a time from each input datastore. It accomplishes this by setting the `ReadSize` property of the input datastores to 1.
- If the input datastore is an `ImageDatastore`, then the values in its `Labels` property are ignored by the `randomPatchExtractionDatastore`.

- To visualize the data in a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore`, you can use the `preview` function, which returns a subset of data in a table. Visualize all of the patches in the same figure by using the `montage` function. For example, this code displays a preview of image patches from a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` called `patchds`.

```
minibatch = preview(patchds);  
montage(minibatch.InputImage)
```

See Also

[augmentedImageDatastore](#) | [imageDataAugmenter](#) | [imageDatastore](#) | [pixelLabelDatastore](#) | [pixelLabelImageDatastore](#) | [trainNetwork](#)

Topics

[“JPEG Image Deblocking Using Deep Learning”](#)

[“Image Processing Operator Approximation Using Deep Learning”](#)

[“Semantic Segmentation of Multispectral Images Using Deep Learning”](#)

[“Datastores for Deep Learning”](#) (Deep Learning Toolbox)

[“Preprocess Images for Deep Learning”](#) (Deep Learning Toolbox)

[“Deep Learning in MATLAB”](#) (Deep Learning Toolbox)

Introduced in R2018b

partitionByIndex

Partition `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` according to indices

Syntax

```
patchds2 = partitionByIndex(patchds, ind)
```

Description

`patchds2 = partitionByIndex(patchds, ind)` partitions a subset of observations in a random patch extraction datastore, `patchds`, into a new datastore, `patchds2`. The desired observations are specified by indices, `ind`.

Input Arguments

patchds — Random patch extraction datastore
`randomPatchExtractionDatastore`

Random patch extraction datastore, specified as a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object.

ind — Indices
vector of positive integers

Indices of observations, specified as a vector of positive integers.

Output Arguments

patchds2 — Output datastore
`randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object

Output datastore, returned as a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object containing a subset of files from `patchds`.

See Also

`randomPatchExtractionDatastore` | `read` | `readByIndex` | `readall`

Introduced in R2018b

read

Read data from `randomPatchExtractionDatastore`

Syntax

```
data = read(patchds)
[data,info] = read(patchds)
```

Description

`data = read(patchds)` returns a batch of data from a random patch extraction datastore, `patchds`. Subsequent calls to the `read` function continue reading from the endpoint of the previous call.

`[data,info] = read(patchds)` also returns information about the extracted data, including metadata, in `info`.

Input Arguments

patchds — Random patch extraction datastore

`randomPatchExtractionDatastore`

Random patch extraction datastore, specified as a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object. The datastore specifies a `MiniBatchSize` number of observations in each batch, and a `numObservations` total number of observations.

Output Arguments

data — Output data

table

Output data, returned as a table with `MiniBatchSize` number of rows. The first variable is `InputImage`, which contains input image patches. If the network responses are images

in an image datastore, then the second variable is `ResponseImage`. If the network responses are pixel label images in a pixel label datastore, then the second variable is `ResponsePixelLabelImage`.

For the last batch of data in the datastore `patchds`, if `numObservations` is not cleanly divisible by `MiniBatchSize`, then `read` returns a partial batch containing all the remaining observations in the datastore.

info — Information about read data

structure array

Information about read data, returned as a structure array. The structure array can contain the following fields.

Field Name	Description
<code>RandomPatchRectangles</code>	<code>MiniBatchSize</code> -by-4 numeric matrix. Each row specifies the size and position of the patch in the format <code>[xywidthheight]</code> . The elements define the x- and y-coordinate of the top left corner, and the width and height of the patch.
<code>ImageIndices</code>	<code>MiniBatchSize</code> -by-1 numeric vector that specifies the indices of the read images in the input datastores.
<code>InputImageFilename</code>	<code>MiniBatchSize</code> -by-1 cell array that specifies the fully resolved path containing the path string, name of the file, and file extension of each input image.
<code>ResponseImageFilename</code>	<code>MiniBatchSize</code> -by-1 cell array that specifies the fully resolved path containing the path string, name of the file, and file extension of each response image or pixel label image.

See Also

`matlab.io.datastore.read` | `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` | `readByIndex` | `readall`

Introduced in R2018b

readByIndex

Read data specified by index from `randomPatchExtractionDatastore`

Syntax

```
data = readByIndex(patchds,ind)
[data,info] = readByIndex(patchds,ind)
```

Description

`data = readByIndex(patchds,ind)` returns a subset of observations from a random patch extraction datastore, `patchds`. The desired observations are specified by indices, `ind`.

`[data,info] = readByIndex(patchds,ind)` also returns information about the observations, including metadata, in `info`.

Input Arguments

patchds — Random patch extraction datastore
`randomPatchExtractionDatastore`

Random patch extraction datastore, specified as a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object.

ind — Indices
vector of positive integers

Indices of observations, specified as a vector of positive integers.

Output Arguments

data — Observations from datastore
table

Observations from the datastore, returned as a table with `length(ind)` number of rows.

info — Information about read data

structure array

Information about read data, returned as a structure array. The structure array can contain the following fields.

Field Name	Description
RandomPatchRectangles	<code>length(ind)</code> -by-4 numeric matrix. Each row specifies the size and position of the patch in the format <code>[xywidthheight]</code> . The elements define the x- and y-coordinate of the top left corner, and the width and height of the patch.
ImageIndices	<code>length(ind)</code> -by-1 numeric vector that specifies the indices of the read images in the input datastores.
InputImageFilename	<code>length(ind)</code> -by-1 cell array that specifies the fully resolved path containing the path string, name of the file, and file extension of each input image.
ResponseImageFilename	<code>length(ind)</code> -by-1 cell array that specifies the fully resolved path containing the path string, name of the file, and file extension of each response image or pixel label image.

See Also

`partitionByIndex` | `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` | `read` | `readall`

Introduced in R2018b

shuffle

Shuffle data in `randomPatchExtractionDatastore`

Syntax

```
patchds2 = shuffle(patchds)
```

Description

`patchds2 = shuffle(patchds)` returns a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object containing a random ordering of the data from random patch extraction datastore `patchds`.

Input Arguments

patchds — Random patch extraction datastore

`randomPatchExtractionDatastore`

Random patch extraction datastore, specified as a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object.

Output Arguments

patchds2 — Output datastore

`randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object

Output datastore, returned as a `randomPatchExtractionDatastore` object containing randomly ordered files from `patchds`.

See Also

`randomPatchExtractionDatastore` | `read` | `readByIndex` | `readall`

Introduced in R2018b

rangefilt

Local range of image

Syntax

```
J = rangefilt(I)
J = rangefilt(I, nhood)
```

Description

`J = rangefilt(I)` returns the array `J`, where each output pixel contains the range value (maximum value – minimum value) of the 3-by-3 neighborhood around the corresponding pixel in the input image `I`.

`J = rangefilt(I, nhood)` performs range filtering of the input image `I` where you specify the neighborhood in `nhood`. `nhood` is a multidimensional array of zeros and ones where the nonzero elements specify the neighborhood for the range filtering operation.

Examples

Identify Objects in 2-D Image

Read an image into the workspace.

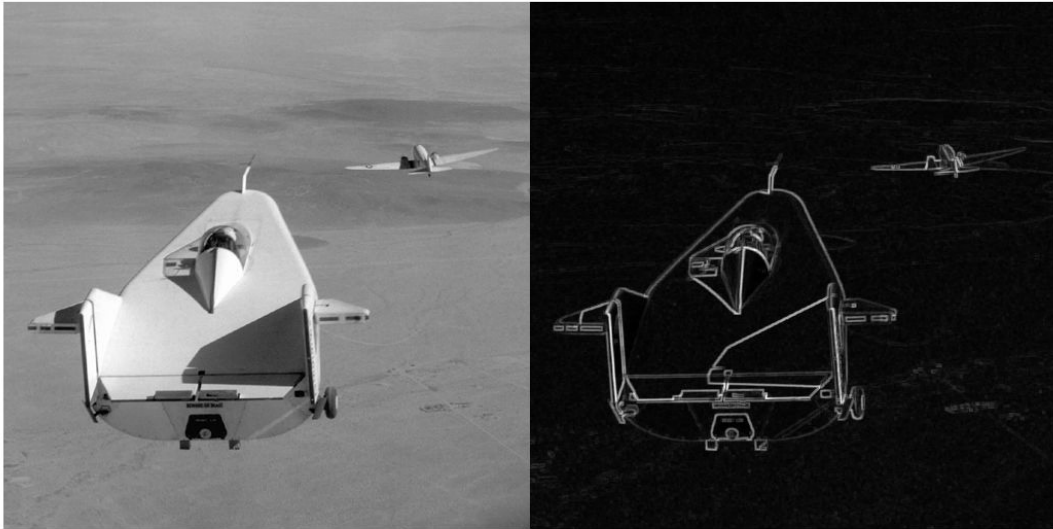
```
I = imread('liftingbody.png');
```

Filter the image. The `rangefilt` function returns an array where each output pixel contains the range value (maximum value - minimum value) of the 3-by-3 neighborhood around the corresponding pixel in the input image.

```
J = rangefilt(I);
```

Display the original image and the filtered image side-by-side.

```
imshowpair(I,J,'montage')
```



Quantify Land Cover Changes in RGB Image

Read image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('autumn.tif');
```

Convert the RGB image into a L*a*b* image.

```
LAB = rgb2lab(RGB);
```

Perform the range filtering on the LAB image.

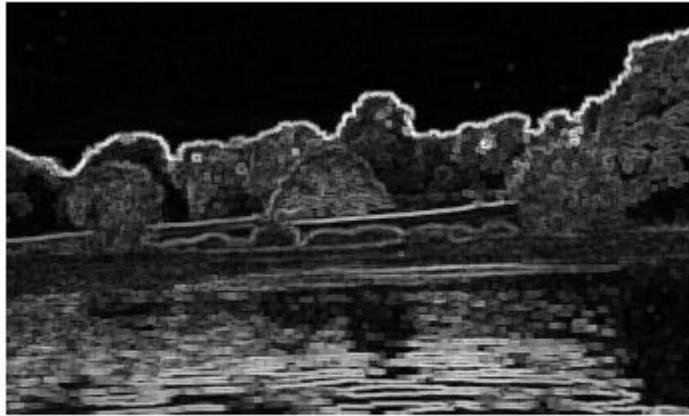
```
rLAB = rangefilt(LAB);
```

Display the images.

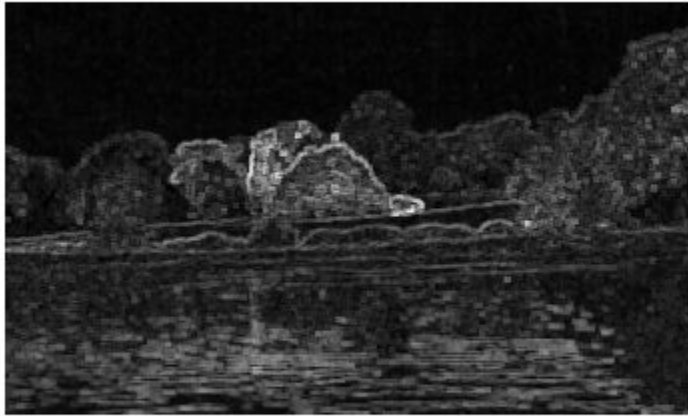
```
imshow(RGB);
```



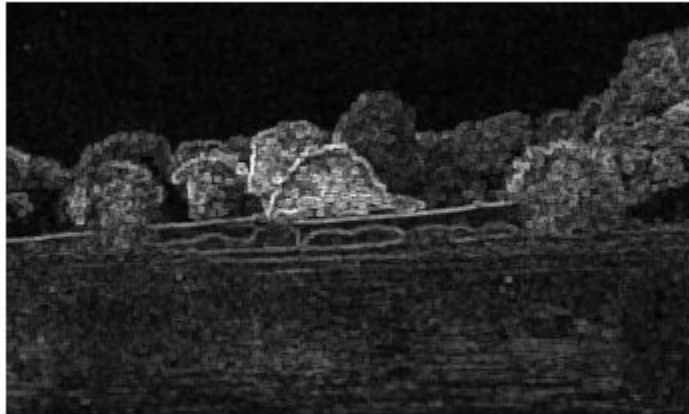
```
figure, imshow(rLAB(:,:,1),[]);
```



```
figure, imshow(rLAB(:,:,2),[]);
```

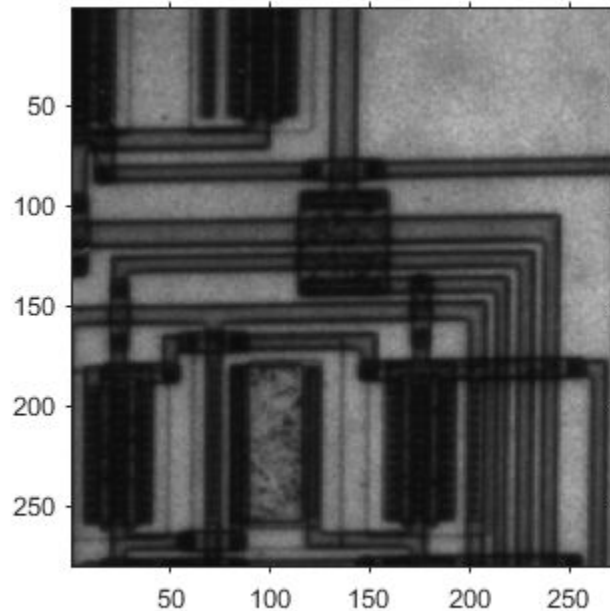
```
figure, imshow(rLAB(:,:,3),[]);
```



Identify Vertical Edges Using Range Filtering

Read an image into the workspace, and display it.

```
I = imread('circuit.tif');  
imshow(I);
```

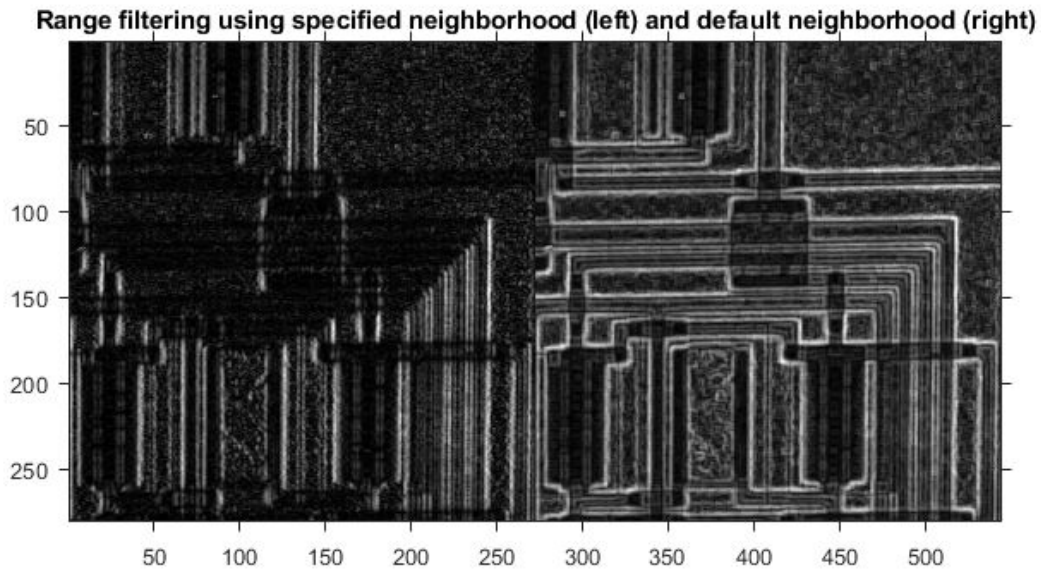


Define a neighborhood. In this example, the neighborhood returns a large value when there is a large difference between pixel values to the left and right of an input pixel. The filtering does not consider pixels above and below the input pixel. Thus, this neighborhood emphasizes vertical edges.

```
nhood = [1 1 1];
```

Perform the range filtering operation using this neighborhood. For comparison, also perform range filtering using the default 3-by-3 neighborhood. Compare the results.

```
J = rangefilt(I, nhood);  
K = rangefilt(I);  
figure  
imshowpair(J, K, 'montage');  
title('Range filtering using specified neighborhood (left) and default neighborhood (right)');
```



The result using the specified neighborhood emphasizes vertical edges, as expected. In comparison, the default filter is not sensitive to edge directionality.

Input Arguments

I — Image to be filtered

real, nonsparse, numeric array

Image to be filtered, specified as a real, nonsparse, numeric array of any dimension.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

nhood — Neighborhood

`true(3)` (default) | multidimensional, logical or numeric array containing zeros and ones

Neighborhood, specified as a multidimensional, logical or numeric array containing zeros and ones. `NHOOD`'s size must be odd in each dimension.

By default, `rangefilt` uses the neighborhood `true(3)`. `rangefilt` determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(NHOOD) + 1)/2)`.

To specify neighborhoods of other shapes, such as a disk, use the `strel` function to create a structuring element object of the desired shape. Then, extract the neighborhood from the structuring element object's `neighborhood` property.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array, the same size and class as the input image `I`, except for signed integer data types. The output class for signed data types is the corresponding unsigned integer data type. For example, if the class of `I` is `int8`, then the class of `J` is `uint8`.

Algorithms

`rangefilt` uses the morphological functions `imdilate` and `imerode` to determine the maximum and minimum values in the specified neighborhood. Consequently, `rangefilt` uses the padding behavior of these morphological functions.

See Also

Functions

`entropyfilt` | `getnhood` | `imdilate` | `imerode` | `stdfilt`

Objects

`offsetstrel` | `strel`

Topics

“What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?”

Introduced before R2006a

reflect

Reflect structuring element

Syntax

```
SE2 = reflect(SE)
```

Description

`SE2 = reflect(SE)` reflects the structuring element (or structuring elements) specified by SE. This method reflects the structuring element through its center. The effect is the same as if you rotated the structuring element's domain 180 degrees around its center (for a 2-D structuring element).

Examples

Reflect a Structuring Element

Create a structuring element.

```
se = strel([0 0 1; 0 0 0; 0 0 0])
```

```
se =
```

`strel` is a arbitrary shaped structuring element with properties:

```
    Neighborhood: [3x3 logical]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Look at the neighborhood.

```
se.Neighborhood
```

```
ans = 3x3 logical array
```

```
0  0  1
0  0  0
0  0  0
```

Reflect it.

```
se2 = reflect(se)
```

```
se2 =
strel is a arbitrary shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Neighborhood: [3x3 logical]
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Look at the reflected neighborhood.

```
se2.Neighborhood
```

```
ans = 3x3 logical array
```

```
0  0  0
0  0  0
1  0  0
```

Reflect Offset Structuring Element

Create offset strel structuring element.

```
se = offsetstrel('ball', 5, 6.5)
```

```
se =
offsetstrel is a ball shaped offset structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Offset: [11x11 double]
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Reflect the structuring element.

```
se2 = se.reflect()
```


se2 =
offsetstrel is a ball shaped offset structuring element with properties:

Offset: [11x11 double]
Dimensionality: 2

Input Arguments

SE — Structuring elements

strel or offsetstrel object or array of objects

Structuring element, specified as a strel or offsetstrel object or array of objects. If SE is an array of structuring element objects, then reflect reflects each element of SE.

Output Arguments

SE2 — Reflected structuring elements

strel or offsetstrel object or array of objects

Reflected structuring elements, returned as a strel or offsetstrel object or array of objects. SE2 has the same size as SE.

See Also

translate

Introduced before R2006a

regionfill

Fill in specified regions in image using inward interpolation

Syntax

```
J = regionfill(I,mask)
J = regionfill(I,x,y)
```

Description

`J = regionfill(I,mask)` fills the regions in image `I` specified by `mask`. Non-zero pixels in `mask` designate the pixels of image `I` to fill. You can use `regionfill` to remove objects in an image or to replace invalid pixel values using their neighbors.

`J = regionfill(I,x,y)` fills the region in image `I` corresponding to the polygon with vertices specified by `x` and `y`.

Examples

Fill Region in Grayscale Image

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eight.tif');
```

Specify a polygon that completely surrounds one of the coins in the image. This example uses the x-coordinates and y-coordinates (columns and rows) of the polygon vertices to specify the region.

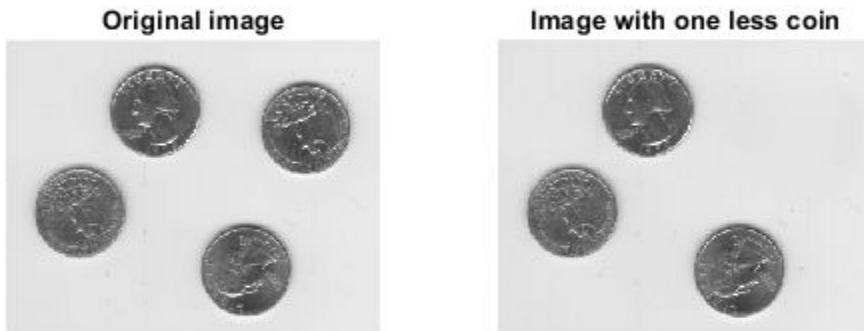
```
x = [222 272 300 270 221 194];
y = [21 21 75 121 121 75];
```

Fill the polygon, using the `regionfill` function.

```
J = regionfill(I,x,y);
```

Display the original image and the filled image side-by-side.

```
figure
subplot(1,2,1)
imshow(I)
title('Original image')
subplot(1,2,2)
imshow(J)
title('Image with one less coin')
```



Fill Regions Using Mask Image

Read grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eight.tif');
```

Create a mask image that covers all the coins.

```
mask = I < 200;
```

Fill holes in the mask image.

```
mask = imfill(mask,'holes');
```

Remove noise in the mask image.

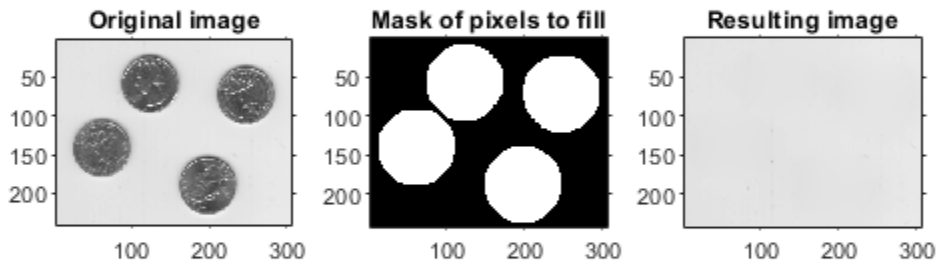
```
mask = imerode(mask,strel('disk',10));  
mask = imdilate(mask,strel('disk',20));
```

Fill the regions in the input image using the mask image.

```
J = regionfill(I,mask);
```

Display the original image next to the mask image and the filled image.

```
figure  
subplot(1,3,1)  
imshow(I)  
title('Original image')  
subplot(1,3,2)  
imshow(mask)  
title('Mask of pixels to fill')  
subplot(1,3,3)  
imshow(J)  
title('Resulting image')
```



Input Arguments

I — Input grayscale image

2-D numeric array, nonsparse and real

Input grayscale image, specified as a 2-D numeric array, nonsparse and real. I must be greater than or equal to a 3-by-3 array.

Example: `I = imread('eight.tif');`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

mask — Mask binary image

nonsparse logical array

Mask binary image, specified as a nonsparse logical array the same size as `I`.

Data Types: `logical`

x — X-coordinates of polygon vertices

numeric vector

X-coordinates of polygon vertices, specified as a numeric vector of class `double`. Must be the same length as `y`.

Example: `x = [222 272 300 270 221 194];`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

y — Y-coordinates of polygon vertices

numeric vector

Y-coordinates of polygon vertices, specified as a numeric vector of class `double`. Must be the same length as `x`.

Example: `y = [21 21 75 121 121 75];`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

J — Filled grayscale image

2-D numeric array, nonsparse and real

Filled grayscale image, returned as a 2-D numeric array, nonsparse, and real. `J` has the same size and class as `I`.

Tips

- `regionfill` does not support the interactive syntax that `roifill` supports to specify a region of interest (ROI). To define an ROI interactively, use `roipoly` with `regionfill`.

Algorithms

regionfill smoothly interpolates inward from the pixel values on the outer boundary of the regions. regionfill computes the discrete Laplacian over the regions and solves the Dirichlet boundary value problem.

See Also

[imfill](#) | [impoly](#) | [inpaintCoherent](#) | [poly2mask](#) | [roifilt2](#) | [roipoly](#)

Introduced in R2015a

regionprops

Measure properties of image regions

Syntax

```
stats = regionprops(BW,properties)
stats = regionprops(CC,properties)
stats = regionprops(L,properties)
stats = regionprops( ____,I,properties)
stats = regionprops(output, ____)
```

Description

`stats = regionprops(BW,properties)` returns measurements for the set of properties specified by `properties` for each 8-connected component (object) in the binary image, `BW`. `stats` is struct array containing a struct for each object in the image. You can use `regionprops` on contiguous regions and discontiguous regions (see “Algorithms” on page 1-2735).

Note To return measurements of a 3-D volumetric image, consider using `regionprops3`. While `regionprops` can accept 3-D images, `regionprops3` calculates more statistics for 3-D images than `regionprops`.

For all syntaxes, if you do not specify the `properties` argument, then `regionprops` returns the 'Area', 'Centroid', and 'BoundingBox' measurements.

You optionally can measure properties of image regions using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”. The 'ConvexArea', 'ConvexHull', 'ConvexImage', 'Circularity', 'EulerNumber', 'FilledArea', 'FilledImage', 'MaxFeretProperties', 'MinFeretProperties' and 'Solidity' properties are not supported on a GPU.

`stats = regionprops(CC,properties)` measures a set of properties for each connected component (object) in `CC`, which is a structure returned by `bwconncomp`.

This syntax is not supported on a GPU.

`stats = regionprops(L,properties)` measures a set of properties for each labeled region in label matrix `L`.

`stats = regionprops(____, I,properties)` returns measurements for the set of properties specified by `properties` for each labeled region in the image `I`. The first input to `regionprops` (`BW`, `CC`, or `L`) identifies the regions in `I`.

`stats = regionprops(output, ____)` returns measurements for a set of properties, where `output` specifies the type of return value. `regionprops` can return measurements in a struct array or a table.

The 'table' output value is not supported on a GPU.

Examples

Calculate Centroids and Superimpose Locations on Image

Read a binary image into workspace.

```
BW = imread('text.png');
```

Calculate centroids for connected components in the image using `regionprops`. The `regionprops` function returns the centroids in a structure array.

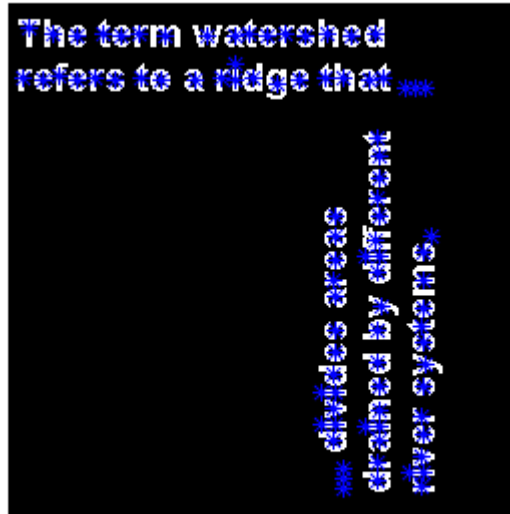
```
s = regionprops(BW, 'centroid');
```

Store the x- and y-coordinates of the centroids into a two-column matrix.

```
centroids = cat(1,s.Centroid);
```

Display the binary image with the centroid locations superimposed.

```
imshow(BW)
hold on
plot(centroids(:,1),centroids(:,2), 'b*')
hold off
```



Calculate Centroids and Superimpose Locations on Image on GPU

Read binary image into a gpuArray.

```
BW = gpuArray(imread('text.png'));
```

Calculate the centroids of objects in the image.

```
s = regionprops(BW, 'centroid');
```

Plot the centroids on the image.

```
centroids = cat(1, s.Centroid);  
imshow(BW)  
hold on
```

```
plot(centroids(:,1), centroids(:,2), 'b*')  
hold off
```

Estimate Center and Radii of Circular Objects and Plot Circles

Estimate the center and radii of circular objects in an image and use this information to plot circles on the image. In this example, `regionprops` returns the measured region properties in a table.

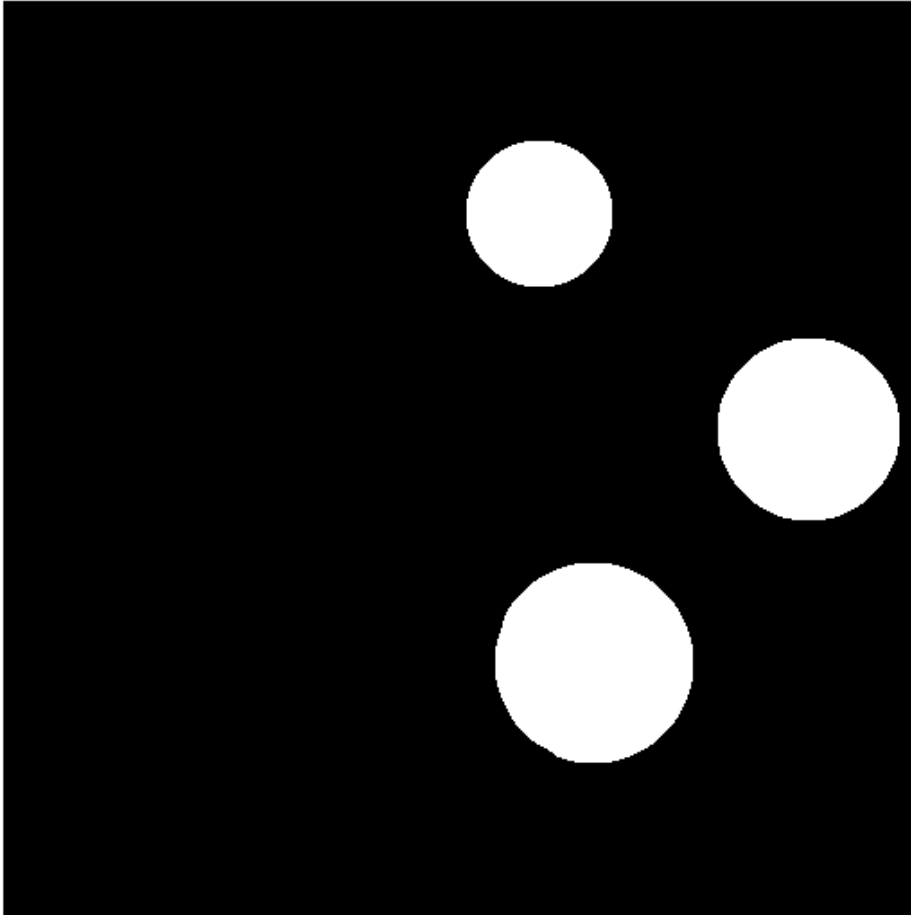
Read an image into workspace.

```
a = imread('circlesBrightDark.png');
```

Turn the input image into a binary image.

```
bw = a < 100;  
imshow(bw)  
title('Image with Circles')
```

Image with Circles



Calculate properties of regions in the image and return the data in a table.

```
stats = regionprops('table',bw,'Centroid',...  
    'MajorAxisLength','MinorAxisLength')
```

```
stats=4x3 table
      Centroid      MajorAxisLength      MinorAxisLength
-----
    256.5    256.5    834.46    834.46
     300     120    81.759    81.759
   330.47   369.83   111.78   110.36
     450     240   101.72   101.72
```

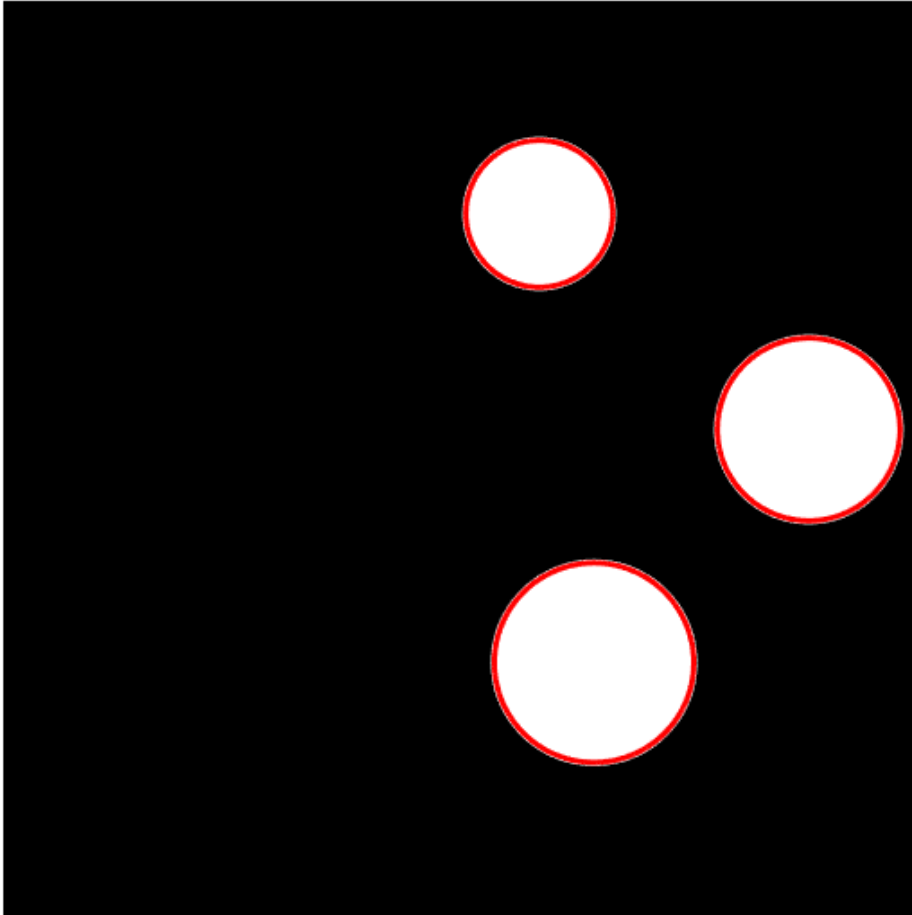
Get centers and radii of the circles.

```
centers = stats.Centroid;
diameters = mean([stats.MajorAxisLength stats.MinorAxisLength],2);
radii = diameters/2;
```

Plot the circles.

```
hold on
viscircles(centers,radii);
hold off
```

Image with Circles



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image

logical array of any dimension | gpuArray

Binary image, specified as a logical array of any dimension.

To measure properties of image regions using a GPU, specify **BW** as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D logical matrix.

Data Types: `logical`

CC — Connected components

structure

Connected components, specified as a structure returned by `bwconncomp`.

Data Types: `struct`

L — Label matrix

numeric array | gpuArray

Label matrix, specified as a numeric array of any dimension. `regionprops` treats negative-valued pixels as background and rounds down input pixels that are not integers. Positive integer elements of **L** correspond to different regions. For example, the set of elements of **L** equal to 1 corresponds to region 1; the set of elements of **L** equal to 2 corresponds to region 2; and so on.

To measure properties of image regions using a GPU, specify **L** as a `gpuArray` that contains a 2-D label matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

properties — Type of measurement

comma-separated list of string scalars or character vectors | cell array of string scalars or character vectors | `'all'` | `'basic'`

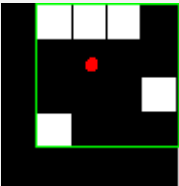
Type of measurement, specified as a comma-separated list of string scalars or character vectors, a cell array of string scalars or character vectors, or as `'all'` or `'basic'`. Property names are case-insensitive and can be abbreviated. When used with code generation, `regionprops` does not support cell arrays of string scalars or character vectors.

- If you specify 'all', `regionprops` computes all the shape measurements and, for grayscale images, the pixel value measurements as well.
- If you specify 'basic', or do not specify the `properties` argument, `regionprops` computes only the 'Area', 'Centroid', and 'BoundingBox' measurements.

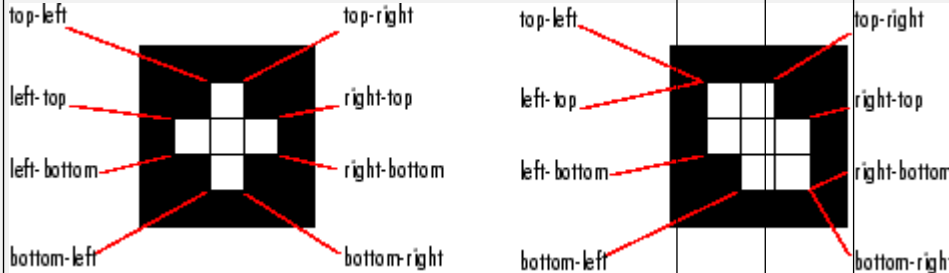
The following tables list all the properties that provide shape measurements. The properties listed in the Pixel Value Measurements table are valid only when you specify a grayscale image.

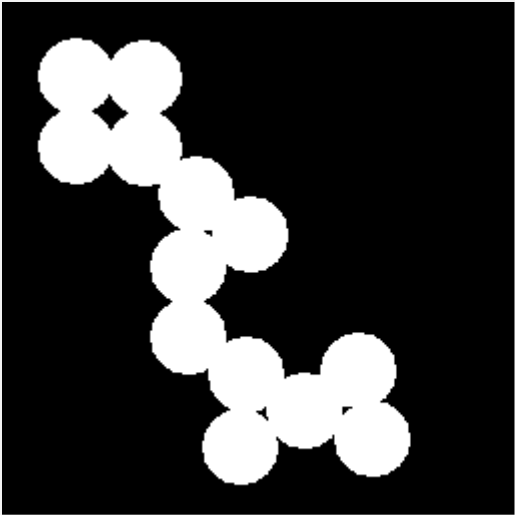
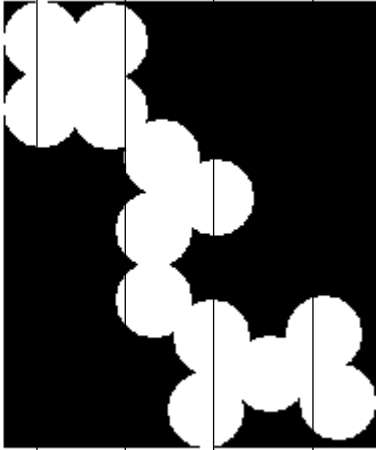
Shape Measurements

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'Area'	<p>Actual number of pixels in the region, returned as a scalar. (This value might differ slightly from the value returned by <code>bwarea</code>, which weights different patterns of pixels differently.)</p> <p>To find the equivalent to the area of a 3-D volume, use the 'Volume' property of <code>regionprops3</code>.</p>	Yes	Yes	Yes
'BoundingBox'	<p>Smallest rectangle containing the region, returned as a 1-by-Q*2 vector, where Q is the number of image dimensions. For example, in the vector <code>[ul_corner width]</code>, <code>ul_corner</code> specifies the upper-left corner of the bounding box in the form <code>[x y z ...]</code>. <code>width</code> specifies the width of the bounding box along each dimension in the form <code>[x_width y_width ...]</code>. <code>regionprops</code> uses <code>ndims</code> to get the dimensions of label matrix or binary image, <code>ndims(L)</code>, and <code>numel</code> to get the dimensions of connected components, <code>numel(CC.ImageSize)</code>.</p>	Yes	Yes	Yes

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'Centroid'	<p>Center of mass of the region, returned as a 1-by-Q vector. The first element of <code>Centroid</code> is the horizontal coordinate (or x-coordinate) of the center of mass. The second element is the vertical coordinate (or y-coordinate). All other elements of <code>Centroid</code> are in order of dimension. This figure illustrates the centroid and bounding box for a discontinuous region. The region consists of the white pixels; the green box is the bounding box, and the red dot is the centroid.</p> 	Yes	Yes	Yes
'ConvexArea'	Number of pixels in 'ConvexImage', returned as a scalar.	2-D only	No	No
'ConvexHull'	Smallest convex polygon that can contain the region, returned as a p -by-2 matrix. Each row of the matrix contains the x - and y -coordinates of one vertex of the polygon.	2-D only	No	No
'ConvexImage'	Image that specifies the convex hull, with all pixels within the hull filled in (set to on), returned as a binary image (<code>logical</code>). The image is the size of the bounding box of the region. (For pixels that the boundary of the hull passes through, <code>regionprops</code> uses the same logic as <code>roipoly</code> to determine whether the pixel is inside or outside the hull.)	2-D only	No	No


Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'Circularity'	Circularity that specifies the roundness of objects, returned as a struct with field <code>Circularity</code> . The struct contains the circularity value for each object in the input image. The circularity value is computed as $(4 * \text{Area} * \pi) / (\text{Perimeter}^2)$. For a perfect circle, the circularity value is 1. The input must be a label matrix or binary image with contiguous regions. If the image contains discontinuous regions, <code>regionprops</code> returns unexpected results. Circularity is not recommended for very small objects such as a 3*3 square. For such cases the results might exceed the circularity value for a perfect circle which is 1.	2-D only	No	Yes
'Eccentricity'	Eccentricity of the ellipse that has the same second-moments as the region, returned as a scalar. The eccentricity is the ratio of the distance between the foci of the ellipse and its major axis length. The value is between 0 and 1. (0 and 1 are degenerate cases. An ellipse whose eccentricity is 0 is actually a circle, while an ellipse whose eccentricity is 1 is a line segment.)	2-D only	Yes	Yes
'EquivalentDiameter'	Diameter of a circle with the same area as the region, returned as a scalar. Computed as $\sqrt{4 * \text{Area} / \pi}$.	2-D only	Yes	Yes
'EulerNumber'	Number of objects in the region minus the number of holes in those objects, returned as a scalar. This property is supported only for 2-D label matrices. <code>regionprops</code> uses 8-connectivity to compute the Euler number measurement. To learn more about connectivity, see "Pixel Connectivity".	2-D only	No	Yes
'Extent'	Ratio of pixels in the region to pixels in the total bounding box, returned as a scalar. Computed as the Area divided by the area of the bounding box.	2-D only	Yes	Yes

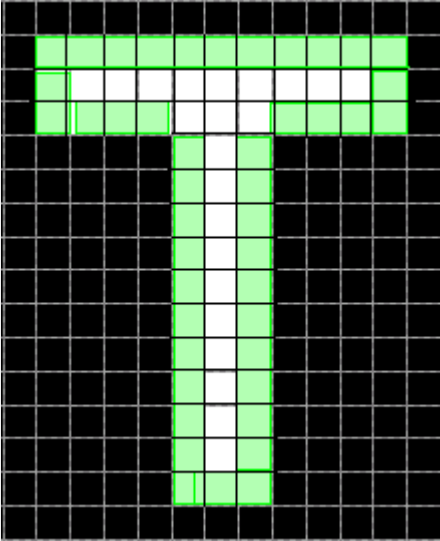
Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'Extrema'	<p>Extrema points in the region, returned as an 8-by-2 matrix. Each row of the matrix contains the x- and y-coordinates of one of the points. The format of the vector is [top-left top-right right-top right-bottom bottom-right bottom-left left-bottom left-top]. This figure illustrates the extrema of two different regions. In the region on the left, each extrema point is distinct. In the region on the right, certain extrema points (e.g., top-left and left-top) are identical.</p> 	2-D only	Yes	Yes
'FilledArea'	Number of on pixels in FilledImage, returned as a scalar.	Yes	No	Yes

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'FilledImage'	<p>Image the same size as the bounding box of the region, returned as a binary (logical) array. The on pixels correspond to the region, with all holes filled in, as shown in this figure.</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;">   </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Original Image, Containing a Single Region</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Image Returned</p> </div> </div>	Yes	No	Yes
'Image'	<p>Image the same size as the bounding box of the region, returned as a binary (logical) array. The on pixels correspond to the region, and all other pixels are off.</p>	Yes	Yes	Yes

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation		
'MaxFeretProperties'	Feret properties that include maximum Feret diameter, its relative angle, and coordinate values, returned as a struct with fields:	2-D only	No	No		
	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="387 491 716 531">Field</th> <th data-bbox="716 491 1043 531">Description</th> </tr> </thead> </table>				Field	Description
	Field				Description	
	MaxFeretDiameter				Maximum Feret diameter measured as the maximum distance between any two boundary points on the antipodal vertices of convex hull that enclose the object.	
	MaxFeretAngle				Angle of the maximum Feret diameter with respect to horizontal axis of the image.	
MaxFeretCoordinates	Endpoint coordinates of the maximum Feret diameter.					
The input can be a binary image, connected component, or a label matrix.						

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation	
'MinFeretProperties'	Feret properties that include minimum Feret diameter, its relative angle, and coordinate values, returned as a struct with fields:	2-D only	No	No	
	Field				Description
	MinFeretDiameter				Minimum Feret diameter measured as the minimum distance between any two boundary points on the antipodal vertices of convex hull that enclose the object.
	MinFeretAngle				Angle of the minimum Feret diameter with respect to horizontal axis of the image.
	MinFeretCoordinates	Endpoint coordinates of the minimum Feret diameter.			
	The input can be a binary image, a connected component, or a label matrix.				
'MajorAxisLength'	Length (in pixels) of the major axis of the ellipse that has the same normalized second central moments as the region, returned as a scalar.	2-D only	Yes	Yes	
'MinorAxisLength'	Length (in pixels) of the minor axis of the ellipse that has the same normalized second central moments as the region, returned as a scalar.	2-D only	Yes	Yes	

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'Orientation'	<p>Angle between the x-axis and the major axis of the ellipse that has the same second-moments as the region, returned as a scalar. The value is in degrees, ranging from -90 degrees to 90 degrees. This figure illustrates the axes and orientation of the ellipse. The left side of the figure shows an image region and its corresponding ellipse. The right side shows the same ellipse with the solid blue lines representing the axes. The red dots are the foci. The orientation is the angle between the horizontal dotted line and the major axis.</p> 	2-D only	Yes	Yes

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'Perimeter'	<p>Distance around the boundary of the region returned as a scalar. <code>regionprops</code> computes the perimeter by calculating the distance between each adjoining pair of pixels around the border of the region. If the image contains discontinuous regions, <code>regionprops</code> returns unexpected results. This figure illustrates the pixels included in the perimeter calculation for this object.</p> 	2-D only	Yes	Yes
'PixelId xList'	Linear indices of the pixels in the region, returned as a p -element vector.	Yes	Yes	Yes
'PixelList'	Locations of pixels in the region, returned as a p -by- Q matrix. Each row of the matrix has the form $[x \ y \ z \ \dots]$ and specifies the coordinates of one pixel in the region.	Yes	Yes	Yes
'Solidity'	Proportion of the pixels in the convex hull that are also in the region, returned as a scalar. Computed as $\text{Area}/\text{ConvexArea}$.	2-D only	No	No

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'SubarrayIdx'	Elements of <code>L</code> inside the object bounding box, returned as a cell array that contains indices such that <code>L(idx{:})</code> extracts the elements.	Yes	Yes	No

The pixel value measurement properties in the following table are valid only when you specify a grayscale image, `I`.

Pixel Value Measurements

Property Name	Description	N-D Support	GPU Support	Code Generation
'MaxIntensity'	Value of the pixel with the greatest intensity in the region, returned as a scalar.	Yes	Yes	Yes
'MeanIntensity'	Mean of all the intensity values in the region, returned as a scalar.	Yes	Yes	Yes
'MinIntensity'	Value of the pixel with the lowest intensity in the region, returned as a scalar.	Yes	Yes	Yes
'PixelValues'	Number of pixels in the region, returned as a p -by-1 vector, where p is the number of pixels in the region. Each element in the vector contains the value of a pixel in the region.	Yes	Yes	Yes
'WeightedCentroid'	Center of the region based on location and intensity value, returned as a p -by- Q vector of coordinates. The first element of <code>WeightedCentroid</code> is the horizontal coordinate (or x -coordinate) of the weighted centroid. The second element is the vertical coordinate (or y -coordinate). All other elements of <code>WeightedCentroid</code> are in order of dimension.	Yes	Yes	Yes

Data Types: `char` | `string` | `cell`

I — Image to be measured

grayscale image

Image to be measured, specified as a grayscale image. The size of the image must match the size of the binary image `BW`, connected component structure `CC`, or label matrix `L`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

output — Return type

`'struct'` (default) | `'table'`

Return type, specified as either of the following values.

Value	Description
<code>'struct'</code>	Returns an array of structures with length equal to the number of objects in <code>BW</code> , <code>CC.NumObjects</code> , or <code>max(L(:))</code> . The fields of the structure array denote different properties for each region, as specified by <code>properties</code> .
<code>'table'</code>	Returns a MATLAB table with height (number of rows) equal to the number of objects in <code>BW</code> , <code>CC.NumObjects</code> , or <code>max(L(:))</code> . The variables (columns) denote different properties for each region, as specified by <code>properties</code> . To learn more about MATLAB tables, see <code>table</code> . Not supported on a GPU.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

stats — Measurement values

`struct array` (default) | `table`

Measurement values, returned as an array of structs or a table. The number of structs in the array, or the number of rows in the table, corresponds to the number of objects in `BW`, `CC.NumObjects`, or `max(L(:))`. The fields of each struct, or the variables in each row, denote the properties calculated for each region, as specified by `properties`.

When run on a GPU, `regionprops` can only return struct arrays.

Tips

- The function `ismember` is useful with `regionprops`, `bwconncomp`, and `labelmatrix` for creating a binary image containing only objects or regions that meet certain criteria. For example, these commands create a binary image containing only the regions whose area is greater than 80 and whose eccentricity is less than 0.8.

```
cc = bwconncomp(BW);
stats = regionprops(cc, 'Area', 'Eccentricity');
idx = find([stats.Area] > 80 & [stats.Eccentricity] < 0.8);
BW2 = ismember(labelmatrix(cc), idx);
```

- The comma-separated list syntax for structure arrays is useful when you work with the output of `regionprops`. For a field that contains a scalar, you can use this syntax to create a vector containing the value of this field for each region in the image. For instance, if `stats` is a structure array with field `Area`, then the following expression:

```
stats(1).Area, stats(2).Area, ..., stats(end).Area
```

is equivalent to:

```
stats.Area
```

Therefore, you can use these calls to create a vector containing the area of each region in the image. `allArea` is a vector of the same length as the structure array `stats`.

```
stats = regionprops(L, 'Area');
allArea = [stats.Area];
```

- The functions `bwlabel`, `bwlabeln`, and `bwconncomp` all compute connected components for binary images. `bwconncomp` replaces the use of `bwlabel` and `bwlabeln`. It uses less memory and is sometimes faster than the other functions.

Function	Input Dimension	Output Form	Memory Use	Connectivity
<code>bwlabel</code>	2-D	Label matrix with double-precision	High	4 or 8
<code>bwlabeln</code>	N-D	Double-precision label matrix	High	Any
<code>bwconncomp</code>	N-D	CC struct	Low	Any

The output of `bwlabel` and `bwlabeln` is a double-precision label matrix. To compute a label matrix using a more memory-efficient data type, use the `labelmatrix` function on the output of `bwconncomp`:

```
CC = bwconncomp(BW);  
L = labelmatrix(CC);
```

If you are measuring components in a binary image with default connectivity, it is no longer necessary to call `bwlabel` or `bwlabeln` first. You can pass the binary image directly to `regionprops`, which then uses the memory-efficient `bwconncomp` function to compute the connected components automatically. To specify nondefault connectivity, call `bwconncomp` and pass the result to `regionprops`.

```
CC = bwconncomp(BW, CONN);  
S = regionprops(CC);
```

- Most of the measurements take little time to compute. However, the following measurements can take longer, depending on the number of regions in `L`:
 - 'ConvexHull'
 - 'ConvexImage'
 - 'ConvexArea'
 - 'FilledImage'
- Computing certain groups of measurements takes about the same amount of time as computing just one of them. `regionprops` takes advantage of intermediate computations useful to each computation. Therefore, it is fastest to compute all the desired measurements in a single call to `regionprops`.

Algorithms

Contiguous regions are also called objects, connected components, or blobs. A label matrix containing contiguous regions might look like this:

```
1 1 0 2 2 0 3 3  
1 1 0 2 2 0 3 3
```

Elements of `L` equal to 1 belong to the first contiguous region or connected component; elements of `L` equal to 2 belong to the second connected component; and so on.

Discontiguous regions are regions that might contain multiple connected components. A label matrix containing discontiguous regions might look like this:

```
1 1 0 1 1 0 2 2
1 1 0 1 1 0 2 2
```

Elements of `L` equal to 1 belong to the first region, which is discontinuous and contains two connected components. Elements of `L` equal to 2 belong to the second region, which is a single connected component.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `regionprops` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `regionprops` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- Supports only 2-D input images or label matrices.
- Specifying the output type 'table' is not supported.
- Passing a cell array of properties is not supported. Use a comma-separated list instead.
- All properties are supported except 'ConvexArea', 'ConvexHull', 'ConvexImage', 'MaxFeretProperties', 'MinFeretProperties', 'Solidity', and 'SubarrayIdx'.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `gpuArray` input must be a 2-D logical matrix or a 2-D label matrix.
- The connected component structure (CC) input is not supported.
- The following properties are not supported: 'ConvexArea', 'ConvexHull', 'ConvexImage', 'Circularity', 'EulerNumber', 'FilledArea', 'FilledImage', 'MaxFerretProperties', 'MinFerretProperties' and 'Solidity'.
- 'struct' is the only return type supported.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`bwconncomp` | `bwferet` | `bwlabel` | `bwlabeln` | `bwpropfilt` | `ismember` | `labelmatrix` | `regionprops3` | `watershed`

Introduced before R2006a

regionprops3

Measure properties of 3-D volumetric image regions

Syntax

```
stats = regionprops3(BW,properties)
stats = regionprops3(CC,properties)
stats = regionprops3(L,properties)
stats = regionprops3( ____,V,properties)
```

Description

`stats = regionprops3(BW,properties)` measures a set of properties for each connected component (object) in the 3-D volumetric binary image `BW`. The output `stats` is a table with height (number of rows) equal to the number of objects in `BW`. The variables (columns) of the table denote different properties for each region, as specified by `properties`.

For all syntaxes, if you do not specify the `properties` argument, `regionprops3` returns the 'Volume', 'Centroid', and 'BoundingBox' measurements.

`stats = regionprops3(CC,properties)` measures a set of properties for each connected component (object) in `CC`, which is a structure returned by `bwconncomp`.

`stats = regionprops3(L,properties)` measures a set of properties for each labeled region in the 3-D label matrix `L`.

`stats = regionprops3(____,V,properties)` measures a set of properties for each labeled region in the 3-D volumetric grayscale image `V`. The first input (`BW`, `CC`, or `L`) identifies the regions in `V`.

Examples

Estimate Centers and Radii of Objects in 3-D Volumetric Image

Create a binary image with two spheres.

```
[x,y,z] = meshgrid(1:50,1:50,1:50);
bw1 = sqrt((x-10).^2 + (y-15).^2 + (z-35).^2) < 5;
bw2 = sqrt((x-20).^2 + (y-30).^2 + (z-15).^2) < 10;
bw = bw1 | bw2;
```

Get the centers and radii of the two spheres.

```
s = regionprops3(bw, "Centroid", "PrincipalAxisLength");
centers = s.Centroid
```

```
centers = 2×3
```

```
    20    30    15
    10    15    35
```

```
diameters = mean(s.PrincipalAxisLength,2)
```

```
diameters = 2×1
```

```
    17.8564
     8.7869
```

```
radii = diameters/2
```

```
radii = 2×1
```

```
     8.9282
     4.3935
```

Get All Statistics for Cube Within a Cube

Make a 9-by-9 cube of 0s that contains a 3-by-3 cube of 1s at its center.

```
innercube = ones(3,3,3);
cube_in_cube = padarray(innercube,[3 3],0,'both');
```

Get all statistics on the cube within the cube.

```
stats = regionprops3(cube_in_cube, 'all')
```

stats=1x18 table

Volume	Centroid	BoundingBox	SubarrayIdx
27	5 5 2	[1x6 double]	[1x3 double] [1x3 double] [1x3 double]

Input Arguments

BW — Volumetric binary image

3-D logical array

Volumetric binary image, specified as a 3-D logical array.

Data Types: `logical`

CC — Connected components

structure

Connected components, specified as a structure returned by `bwconncomp`. The `CC` structure must represent a 3-D image, that is, `CC.ImageSize` must be a 1-by-3 vector. The `CC` structure must also have been created using a 3-D connectivity value, such as 6, 18, or 26.

Data Types: `struct`

L — Label matrix

3-D numeric array

Label matrix, specified as a 3-D numeric array. `regionprops3` treats negative-valued pixels as background and rounds down input pixels that are not integers. Positive integer elements of `L` correspond to different regions. For example, the set of elements of `L` equal to 1 corresponds to region 1; the set of elements of `L` equal to 2 corresponds to region 2; and so on.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

properties — Type of measurement

'basic' (default) | comma-separated list of strings or character vectors | cell array of strings or character vectors | 'all'

Type of measurement, specified as a comma-separated list of strings or character vectors, a cell array of strings or character vectors, 'all' or 'basic'. Property names are case-insensitive and can be abbreviated.

- If you specify 'all', `regionprops3` computes all the shape measurements and, if you specified a grayscale image, all the pixel value measurements.
- If you specify 'basic' or do not specify the `properties` argument, then `regionprops3` computes only the 'Volume', 'Centroid', and 'BoundingBox' measurements.

The following table lists all the properties that provide shape measurements. The Voxel Value Measurements table lists additional properties that are valid only when you specify a grayscale image.

Shape Measurements

Property Name	Description
'BoundingBox'	Smallest cuboid containing the region, returned as a 1-by-6 vector of the form [ulf_x ulf_y ulf_z width_x width_y width_z]. ulf_x, ulf_y, and ulf_z specify the upper-left front corner of the cuboid. width_x, width_y, and width_z specify the width of the cuboid along each dimension.
'Centroid'	Center of mass of the region, returned as a 1-by-3 vector of the form [centroid_x centroid_y and centroid_z]. The first element, centroid_x, is the horizontal coordinate (or x-coordinate) of the center of mass. The second element, centroid_y, is the vertical coordinate (or y-coordinate). The third element, centroid_z, is the planar coordinate (or z-coordinate).
'ConvexHull'	Smallest convex polygon that can contain the region, returned as a <i>p</i> -by-3 matrix. Each row of the matrix contains the x-, y-, and z-coordinates of one vertex of the polygon.
'ConvexImage'	Image of the convex hull, returned as a volumetric binary image (logical) with all voxels within the hull filled in (set to on). The image is the size of the bounding box of the region.
'ConvexVolume'	Number of voxels in 'ConvexImage', returned as a scalar.
'EigenValues'	Eigenvalues of the voxels representing a region, returned as a 3-by-1 vector. regionprops3 uses the eigenvalues to calculate the principal axes lengths.
'EigenVectors'	Eigenvectors of the voxels representing a region, returned as a 3-by-3 vector. regionprops3 uses the eigenvectors to calculate the orientation of the ellipsoid that has the same normalized second central moments as the region.
'EquivalentDiameter'	Diameter of a sphere with the same volume as the region, returned as a scalar. Computed as $(6 * \text{Volume} / \pi)^{(1/3)}$.
'Extent'	Ratio of voxels in the region to voxels in the total bounding box, returned as a scalar. Computed as the value of Volume divided by the volume of the bounding box. [Volume / (bounding box width * bounding box height * bounding box depth)]

Property Name	Description
'Image'	Bounding box of the region, returned as a volumetric binary image (logical) that is the same size as the bounding box of the region. The on voxels correspond to the region, and all other voxels are off.
'Orientation'	Euler angles, returned as a 1-by-3 vector. The angles are based on the right-hand rule. regionprops3 interprets the angles by looking at the origin along the x-, y-, and z-axis representing roll, pitch, and yaw respectively. A positive angle represents a rotation in the counterclockwise direction. Rotation operations are not commutative so they must be applied in the correct order to have the intended effect. For more information, see “References” on page 1-2745.
'PrincipalAxisLength'	Length (in voxels) of the major axes of the ellipsoid that have the same normalized second central moments as the region, returned as 1-by-3 vector. regionprops3 sorts the values from highest to lowest.
'Solidity'	Proportion of the voxels in the convex hull that are also in the region, returned as a scalar. Computed as Volume/ConvexVolume.
'SubarrayIdx'	Indices used to extract elements inside the object bounding box, returned as a cell array such that L(idx{:}) extracts the elements of L inside the object bounding box.
'SurfaceArea'	Distance around the boundary of the region, returned as a scalar. For more information, see “References” on page 1-2745.
'Volume'	Count of the actual number of 'on' voxels in the region, returned as a scalar. Volume represents the metric or measure of the number of voxels in the regions within the volumetric binary image, BW.
'VoxelIdxList'	Linear indices of the voxels in the region, returned as a p -element vector.
'VoxelList'	Locations of voxels in the region, returned as a p -by-3 matrix. Each row of the matrix has the form [x y z] and specifies the coordinates of one voxel in the region.

The voxel value measurement properties in the following table are valid only when you specify a grayscale volumetric image, V.

Voxel Value Measurements

Property Name	Description
'MaxIntensity'	Value of the voxel with the greatest intensity in the region, returned as a scalar.
'MeanIntensity'	Mean of all the intensity values in the region, returned as a scalar.
'MinIntensity'	Value of the voxel with the lowest intensity in the region, returned as a scalar.
'VoxelValues'	Value of the voxels in the region, returned as a p -by-1 vector, where p is the number of voxels in the region. Each element in the vector contains the value of a voxel in the region.
'WeightedCentroid'	Center of the region based on location and intensity value, returned as a p -by-3 vector of coordinates. The first element of <code>WeightedCentroid</code> is the horizontal coordinate (or x-coordinate) of the weighted centroid. The second element is the vertical coordinate (or y-coordinate). The third element is the planar coordinate (or z-coordinate).

Data Types: `char` | `string` | `cell`

V — Volumetric grayscale image

3-D numeric array

Volumetric grayscale image, specified as a 3-D numeric array. The size of the image must match the size of the binary image `BW`, connected component structure `CC`, or label matrix `L`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

stats — Measurement values

table

Measurement values, returned as a table. The number of rows in the table corresponds to the number of objects in `BW`, `CC.NumObjects`, or `max(L(:))`. The variables (columns) in

each table row denote the properties calculated for each region, as specified by properties.

References

- [1] Lehmann, Gaetan and David Legland, *Efficient N-Dimensional surface estimation using Crofton formula and run-length encoding*, <https://hdl.handle.net/10380/3342>
- [2] Shoemake, Ken, *Graphics Gems IV* Edited by Paul S. Heckbert, Morgan Kaufmann, 1994, Pg 222-229.

See Also

`bwconncomp` | `bwlabeln` | `ismember` | `regionprops`

Introduced in R2017b

RegularStepGradientDescent

Regular step gradient descent optimizer configuration

Description

A `RegularStepGradientDescent` object describes a regular step gradient descent optimization configuration that you pass to the function `imregister` to solve image registration problems.

Creation

You can create a `RegularStepGradientDescent` object using the following methods:

- `imregconfig` — Returns a `RegularStepGradientDescent` object paired with an appropriate metric for registering monomodal images
- Entering

```
metric = registration.optimizer.RegularStepGradientDescent;
```

on the command line creates a `RegularStepGradientDescent` object with default settings

Properties

GradientMagnitudeTolerance — Gradient magnitude tolerance

1e-4 (default) | positive scalar

Gradient magnitude tolerance, specified as a positive scalar.

`GradientMagnitudeTolerance` controls the optimization process. When the value of the gradient is smaller than `GradientMagnitudeTolerance`, it is an indication that the optimizer might have reached a plateau.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

MinimumStepLength — Tolerance for convergence

1e-5 (default) | positive scalar

Tolerance for convergence, specified as a positive scalar. `MinimumStepLength` controls the accuracy of convergence. If you set `MinimumStepLength` to a small value, the optimization takes longer to compute, but it is likely to converge on a more accurate metric value.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

MaximumStepLength — Initial step length

0.0625 (default) | positive scalar

Initial step length, specified as a positive scalar. The initial step length is the maximum step length because the optimizer reduces the step size during convergence. If you set `MaximumStepLength` to a large value, the computation time decreases. However, the optimizer might fail to converge if you set `MaximumStepLength` to an overly large value.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

MaximumIterations — Maximum number of iterations

100 (default) | positive integer scalar

Maximum number of iterations, specified as a positive integer scalar. `MaximumIterations` is a positive scalar integer value that determines the maximum number of iterations the optimizer performs at any given pyramid level. The registration could converge before the optimizer reaches the maximum number of iterations.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

RelaxationFactor — Step length reduction factor

0.5 (default) | positive scalar between 0 and 1

Step length reduction factor, specified as a positive scalar between 0 and 1. `RelaxationFactor` defines the rate at which the optimizer reduces step size during convergence. Whenever the optimizer determines that the direction of the gradient changed, it reduces the size of the step length. If your metric is noisy, you can set `RelaxationFactor` to a larger value. This leads to a more stable convergence at the expense of computation time.

Data Types: `double` | `single` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64`

Examples

Register Images with Regular Step Gradient Descent Optimizer

Create a `RegularStepGradientDescent` object and use it to register two images with similar brightness and contrast.

Read the reference image and create an unregistered copy.

```
fixed = imread('pout.tif');  
moving = imrotate(fixed, 5, 'bilinear', 'crop');
```

View the misaligned images.

```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed, moving, 'Scaling', 'joint');
```



Create the optimizer configuration object suitable for registering monomodal images.

```
optimizer = registration.optimizer.RegularStepGradientDescent
```

```
optimizer =  
    registration.optimizer.RegularStepGradientDescent
```

Properties:

```
    GradientMagnitudeTolerance: 1.000000e-04  
    MinimumStepLength: 1.000000e-05  
    MaximumStepLength: 6.250000e-02  
    MaximumIterations: 100  
    RelaxationFactor: 5.000000e-01
```

Create the metric configuration object.

```
metric = registration.metric.MeanSquares;
```

Modify the optimizer configuration to get more precision.

```
optimizer.MaximumIterations = 300;  
optimizer.MinimumStepLength = 5e-4;
```

Perform the registration.

```
movingRegistered = imregister(moving, fixed, 'rigid', optimizer, metric);
```

View the registered images.

```
figure  
imshowpair(fixed, movingRegistered, 'Scaling', 'joint');
```



Algorithms

The regular step gradient descent optimization adjusts the transformation parameters so that the optimization follows the gradient of the image similarity metric in the direction of the extrema. It uses constant length steps along the gradient between computations until the gradient changes direction. At this point, the step length is reduced based on the `RelaxationFactor`, which halves the step length by default.

See Also

Functions

`imregconfig` | `imregister`

Objects

`MattesMutualInformation` | `MeanSquares` | `OnePlusOneEvolutionary`

Topics

“Create an Optimizer and Metric for Intensity-Based Image Registration”

Introduced in R2012a

rgb2lab

Convert RGB to CIE 1976 L*a*b*

Syntax

```
lab = rgb2lab(rgb)
lab = rgb2lab(rgb,Name,Value)
```

Description

`lab = rgb2lab(rgb)` converts sRGB values to CIE 1976 L*a*b* values.

`lab = rgb2lab(rgb,Name,Value)` specifies additional conversion options, such as the color space of the RGB image, using one or more name-value pair arguments.

Examples

Convert RGB White to L*a*b*

Use `rgb2lab` to convert the RGB white value to L*a*b*.

```
rgb2lab([1 1 1])
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    100     0     0
```

Convert Color Value to L*a*b* Specifying Color Space

Convert an Adobe RGB (1998) color value to L*a*b* using the `ColorSpace` parameter.

```
rgb2lab([.2 .3 .4], 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998')
```

```
ans = 1×3
    30.1783   -5.6902  -20.8223
```

Convert RGB color to L*a*b* Specifying Reference White

Use `rgb2lab` to convert an RGB color to L*a*b* using the D50 reference white.

```
rgb2lab([.2 .3 .4], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')
ans = 1×3
    31.3294   -4.0732  -18.1750
```

Convert RGB Image to L*a*b* and Display L* Component

Read RGB image into the workspace.

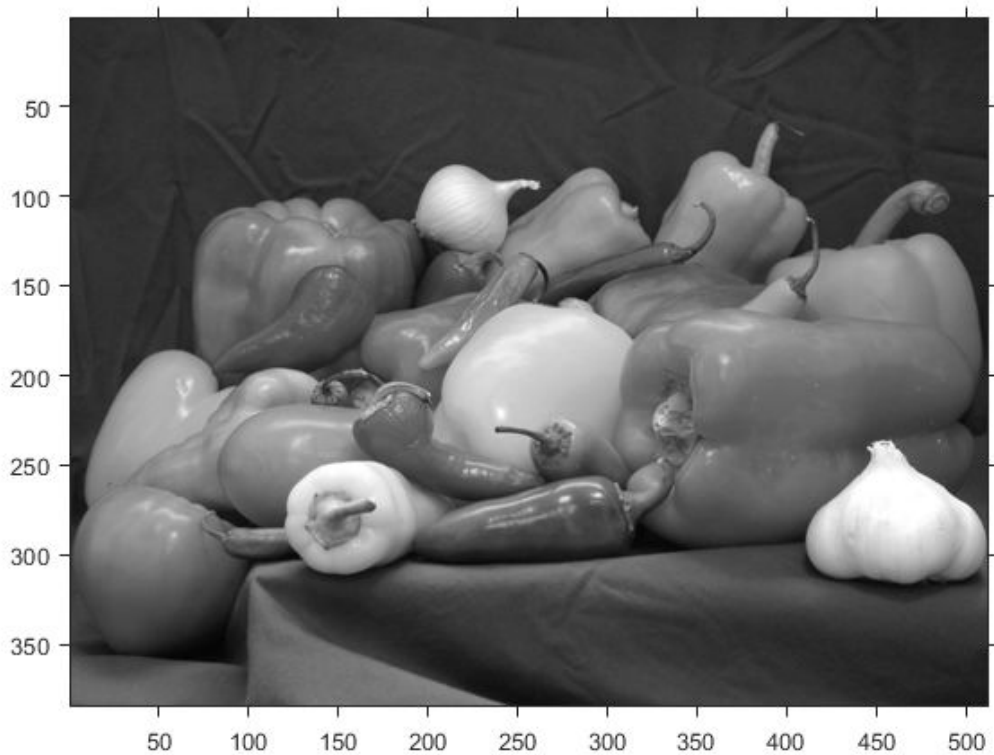
```
rgb = imread('peppers.png');
```

Convert the RGB image to the L*a*b* color space.

```
lab = rgb2lab(rgb);
```

Display the L* component of the L*a*b* image.

```
imshow(lab(:,:,1), [0 100])
```



Input Arguments

rgb — RGB color values

numeric array

RGB color values to convert, specified as a numeric array in one of the following formats.

- *c*-by-3 colormap. Each row specifies one RGB color value.
- *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image

- *m-by-n-by-3-by-p* stack of images

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `rgb2lab([0.25 0.40 0.10], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')`

ColorSpace — Color space of the input RGB values

'srgb' (default) | 'adobe-rgb-1998' | 'linear-rgb'

Color space of the input RGB values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ColorSpace' and one of 'srgb', 'adobe-rgb-1998', or 'linear-rgb'. If you specify 'linear-rgb', then `rgb2lab` assumes the input RGB values are linearized sRGB values.

Data Types: `char`

WhitePoint — Reference white point

'd65' (default) | 'a' | 'c' | 'e' | 'd50' | 'd55' | 'icc' | 1-by-3 vector

Reference white point, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'WhitePoint' and a 1-by-3 vector or one of the CIE standard illuminants listed in the following table.

Value	White Point
'a'	CIE standard illuminant A, [1.0985, 1.0000, 0.3558]. Simulates typical, domestic, tungsten-filament lighting with correlated color temperature of 2856 K.
'c'	CIE standard illuminant C, [0.9807, 1.0000, 1.1822]. Simulates average or north sky daylight with correlated color temperature of 6774 K. Deprecated by CIE.
'e'	Equal-energy radiator, [1.000, 1.000, 1.000]. Useful as a theoretical reference.

Value	White Point
'd50'	CIE standard illuminant D50, [0.9642, 1.0000, 0.8251]. Simulates warm daylight at sunrise or sunset with correlated color temperature of 5003 K. Also known as horizon light.
'd55'	CIE standard illuminant D55, [0.9568, 1.0000, 0.9214]. Simulates mid-morning or mid-afternoon daylight with correlated color temperature of 5500 K.
'd65'	CIE standard illuminant D65, [0.9504, 1.0000, 1.0888]. Simulates noon daylight with correlated color temperature of 6504 K.
'icc'	Profile Connection Space (PCS) illuminant used in ICC profiles. Approximation of [0.9642, 1.000, 0.8249] using fixed-point, signed, 32-bit numbers with 16 fractional bits. Actual value: [31595, 32768, 27030]/32768.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `char`

Output Arguments

lab — Converted L*a*b* color values

numeric array

Converted L*a*b* color values, returned as a numeric array of the same size as the input. The output type is `double` unless the input type is `single`, in which case the output type is also `single`.

Tips

- If you specify the input RGB color space as `'linear-rgb'`, then `rgb2lab` assumes the input values are linearized sRGB values. If instead you want the input color space to be linearized Adobe RGB (1998), then you can use the `lin2rgb` function.

For example, to convert linearized Adobe RGB (1998) image `RGBlinadobe` to the CIE 1976 L*a*b* color space, perform the conversion in two steps:

```
RGBadobe = lin2rgb(RGBlinadobe, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');  
LAB = rgb2lab(RGBadobe, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');
```

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `rgb2lab` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- When generating code, all character vector input arguments must be compile-time constants.

See Also

`lab2rgb` | `rgb2xyz` | `xyz2lab`

Introduced in R2014b

rgb2lightness

Convert RGB color values to lightness values

Syntax

```
lightness = rgb2lightness(rgb)
```

Description

`lightness = rgb2lightness(rgb)` converts RGB color values to lightness values, excluding the color components. `lightness` is same as the L^* component in the CIE 1976 $L^*a^*b^*$ color space.

Examples

Convert RGB Color to Lightness Component

Read RGB image into the workspace.

```
rgb = imread('peppers.png');
```

Convert the RGB color values to lightness component, excluding the color information.

```
lightness = rgb2lightness(rgb);
```

Display the RGB image and the derived lightness component of image.

```
figure  
imshow(rgb)  
title('Input RGB Image')
```

Input RGB Image



```
figure
imshow(lightness,[])
title('Lightness Component of Image')
colorbar
```



Input Arguments

rgb — RGB color values

m-by-*n*-by-3 image array

RGB color values, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array. The input `rgb` must be in sRGB color space with a reference white point of D65.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

lightness — Converted lightness values

m-by-*n* image array

Converted lightness values, returned as an *m*-by-*n* image array. If the input data type is `double`, the output data type is `double`. Otherwise, the output data type is `single`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `rgb2lightness` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.

See Also

`lab2rgb` | `lab2xyz` | `rgb2lab` | `rgb2xyz` | `xyz2lab` | `xyz2rgb`

Introduced in R2019a

rgb2lin

Linearize gamma-corrected RGB values

Syntax

```
B = rgb2lin(A)
B = rgb2lin(A,Name,Value)
```

Description

`B = rgb2lin(A)` undoes the gamma correction of the sRGB values in image `A` so that `B` contains linear RGB values.

`B = rgb2lin(A,Name,Value)` undoes gamma correction using name-value pairs to control additional options.

Examples

Linearize an sRGB Image

Open an image. The JPEG file format saves images in the gamma-corrected sRGB color space.

```
A = imread('foosball.jpg');
```

Display the image. To shrink the image so that it appears fully on the screen, set the optional initial magnification to a value less than 100.

```
figure
imshow(A,'InitialMagnification',25)
title('Scene With sRGB Gamma Correction')
```


Scene With sRGB Gamma Correction



To undo the gamma correction and linearize the image, use the `rgb2lin` function. Optionally, specify the data type of the linearized values.

```
B = rgb2lin(A, 'OutputType', 'double');
```

Display the linearized image, setting the optional magnification.

```
figure  
imshow(B, 'InitialMagnification', 25)  
title('Scene Without sRGB Gamma Correction')
```

Scene Without sRGB Gamma Correction



Shadows in the linearized image are darker than in the original image, as expected.

Input Arguments

A — Gamma-corrected RGB color values

numeric array

Gamma-corrected RGB color values, specified as a numeric array in one of the following formats.

- *c*-by-3 colormap. Each row specifies one RGB color value.
- *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image

- *m-by-n-by-3-by-p* stack of images

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = lin2rgb(I, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998')` linearizes the gamma-corrected image, `I`, according to the Adobe RGB (1998) standard.

ColorSpace — Color space of the input image

`'srgb'` (default) | `'adobe-rgb-1998'`

Color space of the input image, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ColorSpace'` and `'srgb'` or `'adobe-rgb-1998'`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

OutputType — Data type of output RGB values

`'double'` | `'single'` | `'uint8'` | `'uint16'`

Data type of the output RGB values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'OutputType'` and `'double'`, `'single'`, `'uint8'`, or `'uint16'`. By default, the output data type is the same as the data type of `A`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

Output Arguments

B — Linearized RGB color values

numeric array

Linearized RGB color values, returned as a numeric array of the same size as the input `A`.

Algorithms

Linearization Using the sRGB Standard

sRGB tristimulus values are linearized using the following parametric curve:

$$f(u) = -f(-u), \quad u < 0$$

$$f(u) = c \cdot u, \quad 0 \leq u < d$$

$$f(u) = (a \cdot u + b)^\gamma, \quad u \geq d,$$

where u represents a color value with these parameters:

$$a = 1/1.055$$

$$b = 0.055/1.055$$

$$c = 1/12.92$$

$$d = 0.04045$$

$$\gamma = 2.4$$

Linearization Using the Adobe RGB (1998) Standard

Adobe RGB (1998) tristimulus values are linearized using a simple power function:

$$v = u^\gamma,$$

with

$$\gamma = 2.19921875$$

References

- [1] Ebner, Marc. "Gamma Correction." *Color Constancy*. Chichester, West Sussex: John Wiley & Sons, 2007.
- [2] Adobe Systems Incorporated. "Inverting the color component transfer function." *Adobe RGB (1998) Color Image Encoding*. Section 4.3.5.2, May 2005, p.12.

See Also

lin2rgb

Introduced in R2017b

rgb2ntsc

Convert RGB color values to NTSC color space

Syntax

```
YIQ = rgb2ntsc(RGB)  
yiqmap = rgb2ntsc(rgbmap)
```

Description

`YIQ = rgb2ntsc(RGB)` converts the red, green, and blue values of an RGB image to luminance (*Y*) and chrominance (*I* and *Q*) values of an NTSC image.

`yiqmap = rgb2ntsc(rgbmap)` converts an RGB colormap to an HSV colormap.

Examples

Convert Image from RGB to YIQ

This example shows how to convert an image from RGB to NTSC color space.

Read an RGB image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('board.tif');
```

Convert the image to YIQ color space.

```
YIQ = rgb2ntsc(RGB);
```

Display the NTSC luminance value, represented by the first color channel in the YIQ image.

```
imshow(YIQ(:,:,1));  
title('Luminance in YIQ Color Space');
```


Input Arguments

RGB — RGB image

m-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array

RGB image to convert, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array with values in the range [0, 1]. The third dimension of RGB defines the red, green, and blue intensity of each pixel, respectively.

Data Types: double

rgbmap — RGB colormap

c-by-3 numeric matrix

RGB colormap, specified as a *c*-by-3 numeric matrix with values in the range [0, 1]. Each row of `rgbmap` is a three-element RGB triplet that specifies the red, green, and blue components of a single color of the colormap.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

YIQ — NTSC image

m-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array

NTSC image, returned as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array with values in the range [0, 1]. The third dimension of YIQ defines the luminance (*Y*) and chrominance (*I* and *Q*) for each pixel, respectively

Data Types: double

yiqmap — NTSC colormap

c-by-3 numeric matrix

NTSC colormap corresponding to the *c* colors in `rgbmap`, returned as a *c*-by-3 numeric matrix with values in the range [0, 1]. Each row of `yiqmap` is a three-element YIQ triplet that specifies the luminance (*Y*) and chrominance (*I* and *Q*) components of a single color of the colormap.

Data Types: double

Algorithms

In the NTSC color space, the luminance is the grayscale signal used to display pictures on monochrome (black and white) televisions. The other components carry the hue and saturation information. The value 0 corresponds to the absence of the component, while the value 1 corresponds to full saturation of the component.

`rgb2ntsc` defines the NTSC components using

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y \\ I \\ Q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.299 & 0.587 & 0.114 \\ 0.596 & -0.274 & -0.322 \\ 0.211 & -0.523 & 0.312 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} R \\ G \\ B \end{bmatrix}$$

See Also

`ntsc2rgb` | `rgb2hsv` | `rgb2lab` | `rgb2xyz` | `rgb2ycbcr`

Introduced before R2006a

rgb2xyz

Convert RGB to CIE 1931 XYZ

Syntax

```
xyz = rgb2xyz(rgb)  
xyz = rgb2xyz(rgb,Name,Value)
```

Description

`xyz = rgb2xyz(rgb)` converts sRGB values to CIE 1931 XYZ values (2° observer).

`xyz = rgb2xyz(rgb,Name,Value)` specifies additional conversion options, such as the color space of the RGB image, using one or more name-value pair arguments.

Examples

Convert RGB to XYZ

Convert images and color values from RGB to CIE 1931 XYZ color space.

Convert RGB Image to XYZ

Read an RGB image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('peppers.png');
```

Convert the image to XYZ color space.

```
XYZ = rgb2xyz(RGB);
```

Display the original image alongside the new image.

```
figure
imshowpair(RGB,XYZ,'montage');
title('Image in RGB Color Space (Left) and XYZ Color Space (Right)');
```



Convert RGB Color Value to XYZ

Convert the value of white from RGB to XYZ color space. In RGB, white is represented by the vector [1 1 1].

```
rgb2xyz([1 1 1])
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
0.9505    1.0000    1.0888
```

Convert RGB Color to XYZ using D50 as Reference White

```
XYZ_D50 = rgb2xyz(RGB,'WhitePoint','d50');
```

Display the first output XYZ image alongside the XYZ image with D50 as reference white.

```
figure
imshowpair(XYZ,XYZ_D50,'montage');
title('XYZ Image, Without (Left) and With (Right) Reference White');
```

XYZ Image, Without (Left) and With (Right) Reference White



Convert Adobe RGB (1998) Color to XYZ

```
XYZ_Adobe = rgb2xyz(RGB, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');
```

Display the XYZ images generated from the default RGB and the Adobe RGB (1998) color spaces.

```
figure
imshowpair(XYZ,XYZ_Adobe,'montage');
title(['XYZ Image, Starting From Default RGB (Left) and Adobe RGB ',...
      '(Right) Color Space']);
```

XYZ Image, Starting From Default RGB (Left) and Adobe RGB (Right) Color Space



Input Arguments

rgb — RGB color values

numeric array

RGB color values to convert, specified as a numeric array in one of the following formats.

- *c*-by-3 colormap. Each row specifies one RGB color value.
- *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image
- *m*-by-*n*-by-3-by-*p* stack of images

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `rgb2xyz([.2 .3 .4], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')`

ColorSpace — Color space of the input RGB values

'srgb' (default) | 'adobe-rgb-1998' | 'linear-rgb'

Color space of the input RGB values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'ColorSpace' and one of 'srgb', 'adobe-rgb-1998', or 'linear-rgb'. If you specify 'linear-rgb', then rgb2xyz assumes the input RGB values are linearized sRGB values.

Data Types: char

WhitePoint — Reference white point

'd65' (default) | 'a' | 'c' | 'e' | 'd50' | 'd55' | 'icc' | 1-by-3 vector

Reference white point, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'WhitePoint' and a 1-by-3 vector or one of the CIE standard illuminants listed in the table.

Value	White Point
'a'	CIE standard illuminant A, [1.0985, 1.0000, 0.3558]. Simulates typical, domestic, tungsten-filament lighting with correlated color temperature of 2856 K.
'c'	CIE standard illuminant C, [0.9807, 1.0000, 1.1822]. Simulates average or north sky daylight with correlated color temperature of 6774 K. Deprecated by CIE.
'e'	Equal-energy radiator, [1.000, 1.000, 1.000]. Useful as a theoretical reference.
'd50'	CIE standard illuminant D50, [0.9642, 1.0000, 0.8251]. Simulates warm daylight at sunrise or sunset with correlated color temperature of 5003 K. Also known as horizon light.
'd55'	CIE standard illuminant D55, [0.9568, 1.0000, 0.9214]. Simulates mid-morning or mid-afternoon daylight with correlated color temperature of 5500 K.
'd65'	CIE standard illuminant D65, [0.9504, 1.0000, 1.0888]. Simulates noon daylight with correlated color temperature of 6504 K.
'icc'	Profile Connection Space (PCS) illuminant used in ICC profiles. Approximation of [0.9642, 1.000, 0.8249] using fixed-point, signed, 32-bit numbers with 16 fractional bits. Actual value: [31595,32768, 27030]/32768.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `char`

Output Arguments

xyz — Converted XYZ color values

numeric array

Converted XYZ color values, returned as a numeric array of the same size as the input. The output type is class `double` unless the input type is `single`, in which case the output type is also `single`.

Tips

- If you specify the input RGB color space as `'linear-rgb'`, then `rgb2xyz` assumes the input values are linearized sRGB values. If instead you want the input color space to be linearized Adobe RGB (1998), then you can use the `lin2rgb` function.

For example, to convert linearized Adobe RGB (1998) image `RGBlinadobe` to CIE 1931 XYZ color space, perform the conversion in two steps:

```
RGBadobe = lin2rgb(RGBlinadobe, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');  
XYZ = rgb2xyz(RGBadobe, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');
```

See Also

`lab2xyz` | `lin2rgb` | `rgb2lab` | `xyz2rgb`

Introduced in R2014b

rgb2ycbcr

Convert RGB color values to YCbCr color space

Syntax

```
ycbcrmap = rgb2ycbcr(rgbmap)  
YCBCR = rgb2ycbcr(RGB)
```

Description

`ycbcrmap = rgb2ycbcr(rgbmap)` converts the RGB color space values in `rgbmap` to the YCbCr color space. `ycbcrmap` is an *m*-by-3 matrix that contains the YCbCr luminance (*Y*) and chrominance (*Cb* and *Cr*) color values as columns. Each row in `ycbcrmap` represents the equivalent color to the corresponding row in `rgbmap`.

You optionally can perform the conversion using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`YCBCR = rgb2ycbcr(RGB)` converts the truecolor image `RGB` to the equivalent image in YCbCr color space.

Examples

Convert RGB to YCbCr

Convert Image from RGB to YCbCr

Read an RGB image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('board.tif');
```

Convert the image to YCbCr.

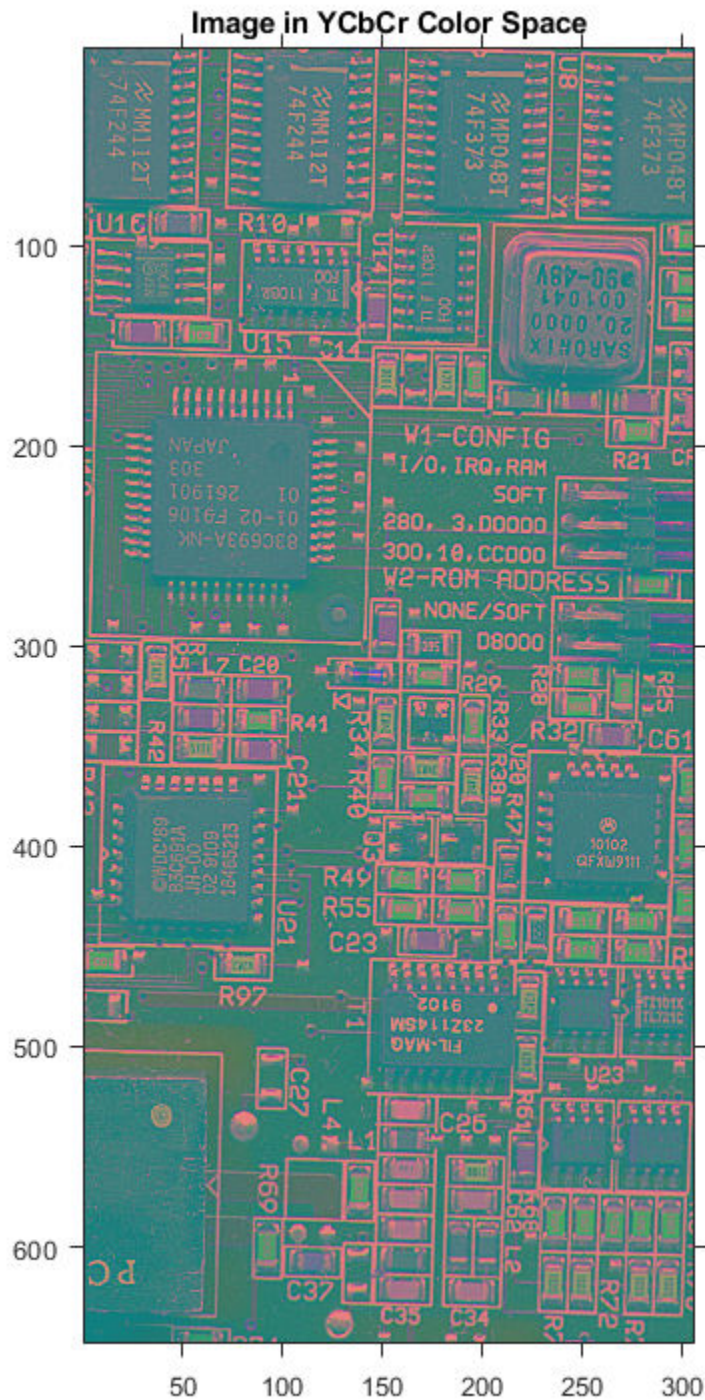
```
YCBCR = rgb2ycbcr(RGB);
```


Display the original image and the new image

```
figure
imshow(IMG);
title('Image in RGB Color Space');
```



```
figure  
imshow(YCBCR);  
title('Image in YCbCr Color Space');
```



Convert Colormap from RGB to YCbCr.

Load an indexed image into the workspace. The colormap is in RGB colorspace.

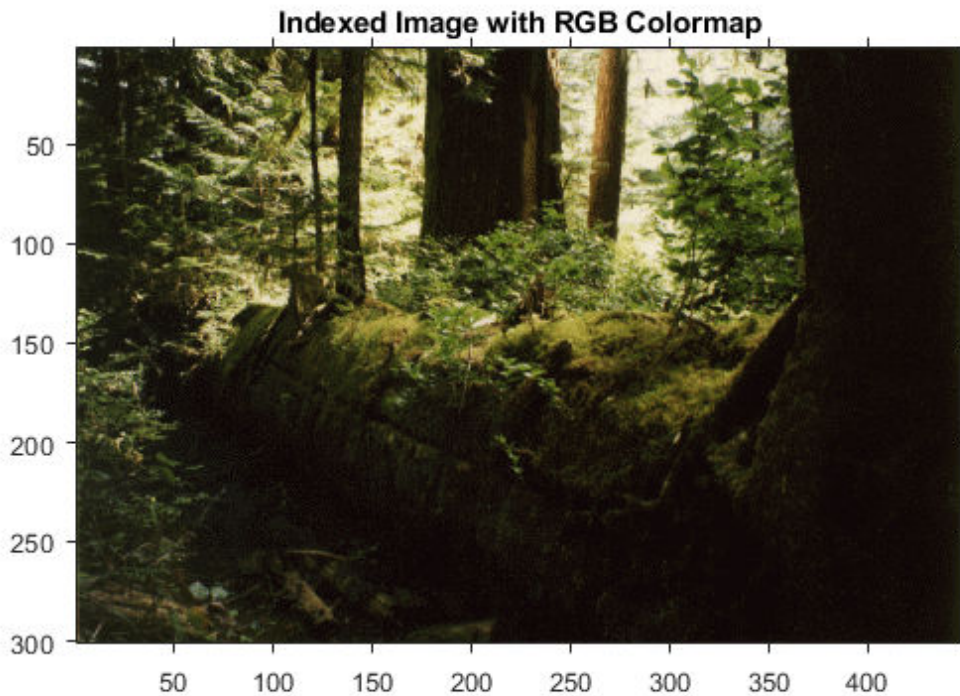
```
[I,map] = imread('forest.tif');
```

Convert the colormap to YCbCr.

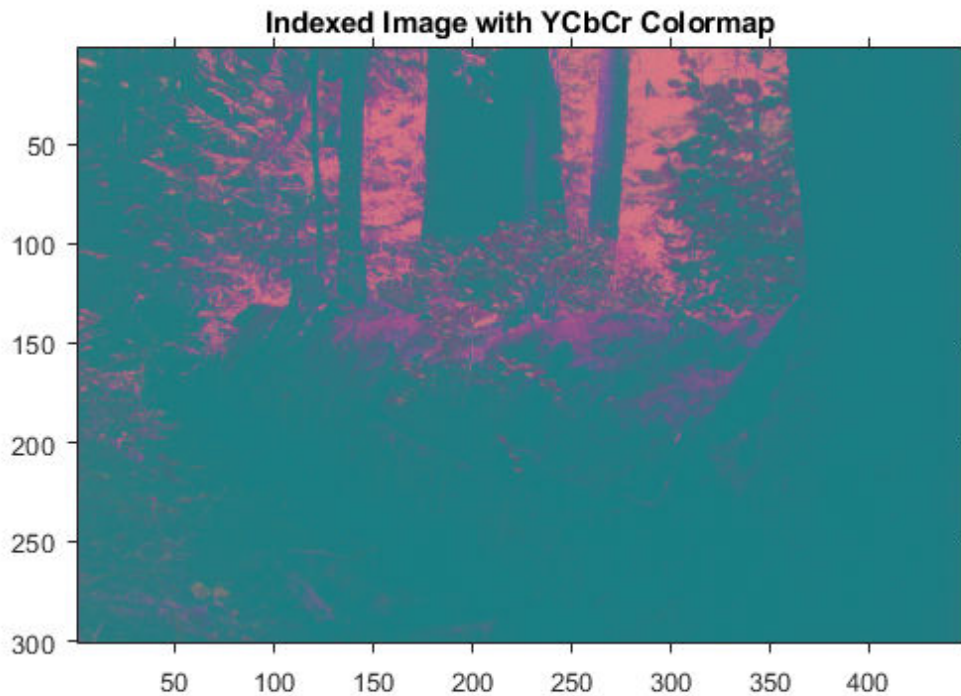
```
newmap = rgb2ycbcr(map);
```

Display the grayscale image with the original map and with the new map.

```
figure  
imshow(I,map)  
title('Indexed Image with RGB Colormap');
```



```
figure
imshow(I,newmap)
title('Indexed Image with YCbCr Colormap');
```



Input Arguments

rgbmap — RGB color space values

c-by-3 matrix | gpuArray

RGB color space values, specified as an c-by-3 matrix representing *c* colors.

To perform the conversion using a GPU, specify `rgbmap` as a `gpuArray` that contains a c-by-3 matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

RGB — RGB image

m-by-n-by-3 array | gpuArray

RGB image, specified as an m-by-n-by-3 array.

To perform the conversion using a GPU, specify RGB as a gpuArray that contains an m-by-n-by-3 array.

Data Types: single | double | uint8 | uint16

Output Arguments

ycbcrmap — YCbCr color space values

c-by-3 matrix | gpuArray

YCbCr color space values, returned as an c-by-3 matrix. The first column corresponds to Y. The second and third columns correspond to Cb and Cr. Y is in the range [16/255, 235/255], and Cb and Cr are in the range [16/255, 240/255].

If the conversion is performed using a GPU, then ycbcrmap is returned as a gpuArray containing a c-by-3 matrix.

YCBCR — Image in YCbCr color space

m-by-n-by-3 array | gpuArray

Image in YCbCr color space, returned as an m-by-n-by-3 array.

- If the input is double or single, then Y is in the range [16/255, 235/255] and Cb and Cr are in the range [16/255, 240/255].
- If the input is uint8, then Y is in the range [16, 235] and Cb and Cr are in the range [16, 240].
- If the input is uint16, then Y is in the range [4112, 60395] and Cb and Cr are in the range [4112, 61680].

If the conversion is performed using a GPU, then YCBCR is returned as a gpuArray containing an m-by-n-by-3 array.

References

- [1] Poynton, C. A. *Technical Introduction to Digital Video*, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1996, p. 175.
- [2] Rec. ITU-R BT.601-5, *Studio Encoding Parameters of Digital Television for Standard 4:3 and Wide-screen 16:9 Aspect Ratios*, (1982-1986-1990-1992-1994-1995), Section 3.5.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `rgb2ycbcr` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `rgb2ycbcr` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

`rgb2lab` | `rgb2ntsc` | `rgb2xyz` | `ycbcr2rgb`

Introduced before R2006a

roicolor

Select region of interest (ROI) based on color

Syntax

```
BW = roicolor(I,low,high)
BW = roicolor(I,v)
```

Description

`BW = roicolor(I,low,high)` returns an ROI selected as those pixels in image `I` that lie within the range `[low high]`. The returned value, `BW`, is a binary image with `0`s outside the region of interest and `1`s inside.

`BW = roicolor(I,v)` returns an ROI selected as those pixels in image `I` that match values in vector `v`.

Examples

Select Region-of-Interest Based on Color

Load an indexed image.

```
load clown
```

Create binary mask image based on color.

```
BW = roicolor(X,10,20);
```

Display the original image and the binary mask.

```
imshow(X,map)
```



```
figure  
imshow(BW)
```



Input Arguments

I — Indexed or grayscale image

m-by-*n* numeric matrix

Indexed or grayscale image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* numeric matrix.

low — Minimum value

numeric scalar

Minimum value to include in the ROI, specified as a numeric scalar.

high — Maximum value

numeric scalar

Minimum value to include in the ROI, specified as a numeric scalar.

v — Set of values

numeric vector

Set of values to include in the ROI, specified as a numeric vector.

Output Arguments

BW — Binary image

m-by-*n* logical matrix

Binary image, returned as an *m*-by-*n* logical matrix.

Data Types: `logical`

Tips

- You can use the returned image as a mask for masked filtering using `roifilt2`.
- If you specify a colormap range, `[low high]`, then

```
BW = (I >= low) & (I <= high)
```

- If you specify a set of colormap values, `v`, then the mask generated by `roicolor` is equivalent to:

```
BW = ismember(I,v)
```

See Also

`ismember` | `roifilt2` | `roipoly`

Introduced before R2006a

roifill

Fill in specified region of interest (ROI) polygon in grayscale image

Note `roifill` is not recommended. Use `regionfill` instead. If you want to define the polygon interactively, then use `roipoly` with `regionfill`.

Use the `roifill` function to fill in a specified region of interest (ROI) polygon in a grayscale image. `roifill` smoothly interpolates inward from the pixel values on the boundary of the polygon by solving Laplace's equation. The boundary pixels are not modified. `roifill` can be used, for example, to erase objects in an image.

Syntax

```
J = roifill
J = roifill(I)

J = roifill(I,mask)
J = roifill(I,xi,yi)
J = roifill(x,y,I,xi,yi)

[J,BW] = roifill( ___ )
[x2,y2,J,BW,xi2,yi2] = roifill( ___ )
roifill()
```

Description

`J = roifill` creates an interactive polygon selection tool associated with the image displayed in the current figure. With this syntax and the other interactive syntaxes, the polygon selection tool blocks the MATLAB command line until you complete the operation. `roifill` fills the selected polygon and returns the filled image, `J`.

For more information about using the polygon selection tool to define and fill ROIs, see “Interactive Behavior” on page 1-2795.

`J = roifill(I)` displays the image `I` in a figure window and creates an interactive polygon tool associated with the image.

`J = roifill(I,mask)` fills regions in `I` corresponding to the nonzero pixels in the mask. If there are multiple regions, then `roifill` performs the interpolation on each region independently.

`J = roifill(I,xi,yi)` fills in the polygon with vertices defined by X-Y coordinates `xi` and `yi` in the default spatial coordinate system.

`J = roifill(x,y,I,xi,yi)` defines a nondefault spatial coordinate system using the vectors `x` and `y`. The polygon vertices have coordinates `xi` and `yi` in this coordinate system.

`[J,BW] = roifill(____)` returns the binary image `BW` with 1s for pixels corresponding to the interpolated region of `I` and 0s elsewhere.

`[x2,y2,J,BW,xi2,yi2] = roifill(____)` also returns the image `XData` and `YData` in `x2` and `y2` and the polygon coordinates in `xi2` and `yi2`.

`roifill()` without an output argument displays the filled image in a new figure window.

Examples

Fill Region Using `roifill`

This example uses `roifill` to fill a region in the input image, `I`. For more examples, especially of the interactive syntaxes, see “Fill Region of Interest in an Image”.

```
I = imread('eight.tif');
c = [222 272 300 270 221 194];
r = [21 21 75 121 121 75];
J = roifill(I,c,r);
imshow(I)
figure
imshow(J)
```



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale image

numeric matrix

Grayscale image, specified as a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

mask — Mask

numeric matrix | logical matrix

Mask, specified as a numeric or logical matrix of the same size as the input image, **I**.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

xi, yi — x- or y-coordinate of vertices

numeric vector

x- or y-coordinate of polygon vertices, specified as numeric vectors of equal length. If you specify a nondefault coordinate system using the `x` and `y` arguments, then `xi` and `yi` specify coordinates in this coordinate system. Otherwise, `xi` and `yi` specify coordinates in the default coordinate system.

x, y — Image extent in world coordinates

2-element numeric vector

Image extent in world X-Y coordinates, specified as a 2-element numeric vector of the form `[min max]`. The two elements of `x` give the x-coordinates (horizontal) of the first

and last columns of image *I*, respectively. The two elements of *y* give the *y*-coordinates (vertical) of the first and last rows of *I*.

Output Arguments

J — Filled image

numeric matrix

Filled image, returned as a numeric matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

BW — Binary image

logical matrix

Binary image, returned as a logical matrix of the same size as the input image, *I*.

Data Types: `logical`

xi2, yi2 — x- or y-coordinate of vertices

numeric vector

x- or *y*-coordinate of polygon vertices, specified as numeric vectors. *xi* and *yi* are empty if you specify the polygon ROI using the `mask` argument.

x2, y2 — Image extent in world coordinates


2-element numeric vector

Image extent in world X-Y coordinates,, returned as 2-element numeric vectors of the form `[min max]`. If you specify image limits *x* and *y*, then *x2* and *y2* are equal to these values. Otherwise, *x2* and *y2* are equal to the original image `XData` and `YData`.

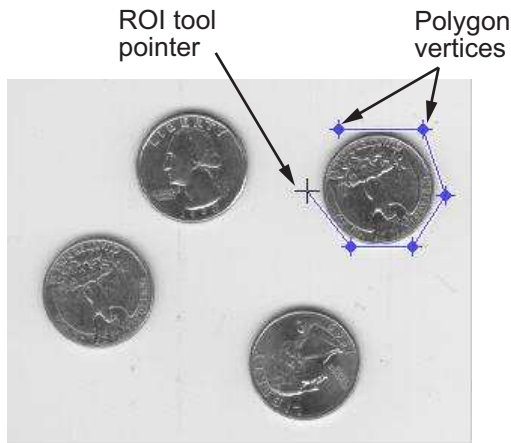
Additional Capabilities


Interactive Behavior





When you call `roifill` with an interactive syntax, a polygon selection tool opens that enables you to select and adjust polygon vertices interactively using the mouse.

When the polygon tool is active, the pointer changes to cross hairs  when you move the pointer over the image in the figure. Using the mouse, specify the region by selecting vertices of the polygon. You can move or resize the polygon using the mouse. When you are finished positioning and sizing the polygon, fill the polygon by double-clicking, or by right-clicking inside the region and selecting **Fill Area** from the context menu.

The following figure illustrates a polygon defined by multiple vertices.



Interactive Behavior	Description
Closing the polygon. (Completing the region-of-interest.)	Use any of the following mechanisms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move the pointer over the initial vertex of the polygon that you selected. The shape changes to a circle . Click either mouse button. • Double-click the left mouse button. This action creates a vertex at the point under the mouse and draws a straight line connecting this vertex with the initial vertex. • Click the right mouse button. This action draws a line connecting the last vertex selected with the initial vertex; it does not create a new vertex.

Interactive Behavior	Description
Deleting the polygon	Press Backspace , Escape or Delete , or right-click inside the region and select Cancel from the context menu. Note: If you delete the ROI, the function returns empty values.
Moving the polygon	Move the pointer inside the region. The pointer changes to a fleur  . Click and drag the mouse to move the polygon.
Changing the color of the polygon	Move the pointer inside the region. Right-click and select Set color from the context menu.
Adding a new vertex.	Move the pointer over an edge of the polygon and press the A key. The shape of the pointer changes  . Click the left mouse button to create a new vertex at that position on the line.
Moving a vertex. (Reshaping the region-of-interest.)	Move the pointer over a vertex. The pointer changes to a circle  . Click and drag the vertex to its new position.
Deleting a vertex.	Move the pointer over a vertex. The pointer changes to a circle  . Right-click and select Delete Vertex from the context menu. This action deletes the vertex and adjusts the shape of the polygon, drawing a new straight line between the two vertices that were neighbors of the deleted vertex.
Retrieving the coordinates of the vertices	Move the pointer inside the region. Right-click and select Copy position from the context menu to copy the current position to the Clipboard. Position is an n -by-2 array containing the x - and y -coordinates of each vertex, where n is the number of vertices you selected.

See Also

`impoly` | `inpaintCoherent` | `regionfill` | `roifilt2` | `roipoly`

Introduced before R2006a

roifilt2

Filter region of interest (ROI) in image

Syntax

```
J = roifilt2(h,I,BW)
J = roifilt2(I,BW,fun)
```

Description

`J = roifilt2(h,I,BW)` filters regions of interest (ROIs) in the 2-D image `I` using the 2-D linear filter `h`. `BW` is a binary mask, the same size as `I`, that defines the ROIs in `I`. `roifilt2` returns an image that consists of filtered values for pixels in locations where `BW` contains 1s, and unfiltered values for pixels in locations where `BW` contains 0s.

`J = roifilt2(I,BW,fun)` processes the data in ROIs of `I` using the function `fun`. The value `fun` must be a function handle.

Examples

Filter Image Using Polygonal Mask

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eight.tif');
```

Define the vertices of the mask polygon.

```
c = [222 272 300 270 221 194];
r = [21 21 75 121 121 75];
```

Create the binary mask image.

```
BW = roipoly(I,c,r);
```

Filter the region of the image I specified by the mask BW.

```
H = fspecial('unsharp');  
J = roifilt2(H,I,BW);
```

Display the original image and the filtered image.

```
imshow(I)
```



```
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Input Arguments

h — Linear filter

2-D numeric matrix

Linear filter, specified as a 2-D numeric matrix.

Data Types: double

I — Image

2-D numeric matrix

Image, specified as a 2-D numeric matrix.

- If you specify a filter, **h**, then **I** can be any of the listed data types.
- If you specify a function handle, **fun**, then **I** can be any class supported by **fun**.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

BW — Mask

2-D logical matrix | 2-D numeric matrix

Mask, specified as a 2-D logical matrix or a 2-D numeric matrix, the same size as `I`, containing 0s and 1s.

Data Types: `logical`

fun — Function handle

handle

Function handle, specified as a handle. For more information about function handles, see “Create Function Handle” (MATLAB).

Output Arguments

J — Filtered image

2-D matrix

Filtered image, returned as a 2-D matrix.

- If you specify a filter, `h`, then `J` has the same class as the input image, `I`.
- If you specify a function handle, `fun`, then the class of `J` is determined by `fun`.

Algorithms

If you specify a filter, `h`, then `roifilt2` calls `filter2` to implement the filter.

See Also

`filter2` | `imfilter` | `roipoly`

Introduced before R2006a

roipoly

Specify polygonal region of interest (ROI)

Syntax

```
BW = roipoly
BW = roipoly(I)

BW = roipoly(I,xi,yi)
BW = roipoly(x,y,I,xi,yi)

[BW,xi2,yi2] = roipoly(____)
[x2,y2,BW,xi2,yi2] = roipoly(____)
roipoly(____)
```

Description

`BW = roipoly` creates an interactive polygon tool associated with the image displayed in the current figure. With this syntax and the other interactive syntaxes, the polygon selection tool blocks the MATLAB command line until you complete the operation. `roipoly` returns the mask as a binary image, setting pixels inside the ROI to 1 and pixels outside the ROI to 0.

For more information about using the polygon selection tool, see “Interactive Behavior” on page 1-2807.

`BW = roipoly(I)` displays the grayscale or RGB image `I` in a figure window and creates an interactive polygon selection tool associated with the image.

`BW = roipoly(I,xi,yi)` specifies the polygon vertices as X-Y coordinates `xi` and `yi` in the default spatial coordinate system.

`BW = roipoly(x,y,I,xi,yi)` defines a nondefault spatial coordinate system using the vectors `x` and `y`. The polygon vertices have coordinates `xi` and `yi` in this coordinate system.

`[BW,xi2,yi2] = roipoly(___)` also returns the coordinates of the vertices of the closed polygon, `xi2` and `yi2`.

`[x2,y2,BW,xi2,yi2] = roipoly(___)` also returns the image limits in `x2` and `y2`.

`roipoly(___)` without an output argument displays the resulting mask image in a new figure window.

Examples

Create Polygonal Mask

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('eight.tif');
```

Define the vertices of the mask polygon.

```
c = [222 272 300 270 221 194];  
r = [21 21 75 121 121 75];
```

Create the binary mask image.

```
BW = roipoly(I,c,r);
```

Display the original image and the polygonal mask.

```
imshow(I)
```



figure
imshow(BW)



Input Arguments

I — Grayscale or RGB image

m-by-*n* numeric matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array

Grayscale or RGB image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* numeric matrix for a grayscale image, or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 numeric array for an RGB image.

xi, yi — x- or y-coordinate of vertices

numeric vector

x- or y-coordinate of polygon vertices, specified as numeric vectors of equal length. If you specify a nondefault coordinate system using the *x* and *y* arguments, then *xi* and *yi* specify coordinates in this coordinate system. Otherwise, *xi* and *yi* specify coordinates in the default coordinate system.

x, y — Image extent in world coordinates

2-element numeric vector

Image extent in world X-Y coordinates, specified as 2-element numeric vectors of the form [min max]. The values of x and y set the image XData and YData.

Output Arguments

BW — Binary image

m-by-*n* logical matrix

Binary image, returned as an *m*-by-*n* logical matrix.

Data Types: logical

xi2, yi2 — x- or y-coordinate of vertices

numeric vector

x- or y-coordinate of vertices of the closed polygon, returned as numeric vectors of equal length. The first and last element in each vector are identical, so that the polygon is closed. If you specify a nondefault coordinate system using the x and y arguments, then xi2 and yi2 are this coordinate system. Otherwise, xi2 and yi2 are in the default coordinate system.

Note `roipoly` always produces a closed polygon. If you specify input vertex positions of a closed polygon (such that the last pair of coordinates is identical to the first pair), then the length of the output coordinate vectors is equal to the number of points specified. If the points specified do not describe a closed polygon, then `roipoly` adds a final point having the same coordinates as the first point. In this case the length of the output coordinate vectors is one greater than the number of points specified.

x2, y2 — Image extent in world coordinates


2-element numeric vector

Image extent in world X-Y coordinates, returned as 2-element numeric vectors of the form [min max]. If you specify a nondefault coordinate system using the x and y arguments, then x2 and y2 are equal to these values. Otherwise, x2 and y2 are equal to the original image XData and YData.

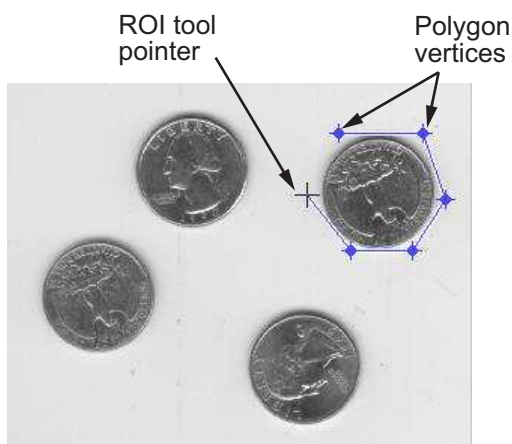
Definitions






Interactive Behavior

The polygon selection tool enables you to select and adjust polygon vertices interactively using the mouse.

When the polygon tool is active, the pointer changes to cross hairs  when you move the pointer over the image in the figure. Using the mouse, you specify the region by selecting vertices of the polygon. You can move or resize the polygon using the mouse. When you are finished positioning and sizing the polygon, create the mask by double-clicking, or by right-clicking inside the region and selecting **Create mask** from the context menu.

The figure illustrates a polygon defined by multiple vertices. The following table describes all the interactive behavior of the polygon tool.



Interactive Behavior	Description
Closing the polygon. (Completing the region-of-interest.)	<p>Use any of the following mechanisms:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move the pointer over the initial vertex of the polygon that you selected. The pointer changes to a circle . Click either mouse button. • Double-click the left mouse button. This action creates a vertex at the point under the mouse pointer and draws a straight line connecting this vertex with the initial vertex. • Right-click the mouse. This draws a line connecting the last vertex selected with the initial vertex; it does not create a new vertex at the point under the mouse.
Moving the entire polygon	<p>Move the pointer inside the region. The pointer changes to a fleur shape . Click and drag the polygon over the image.</p>
Deleting the polygon	<p>Press Backspace, Escape or Delete, or right-click inside the region and select Cancel from the context menu.</p> <p>Note: If you delete the ROI, the function returns empty values.</p>
Moving a vertex. (Reshaping the region-of-interest.)	<p>Move the pointer over a vertex. The pointer changes to a circle . Click and drag the vertex to its new position.</p>
Adding a new vertex.	<p>Move the pointer over an edge of the polygon and press the A key. The pointer changes shape to . Click the left mouse button to create a new vertex at that point on the edge.</p>
Deleting a vertex. (Reshaping the region-of-interest.)	<p>Move the pointer over the vertex. The pointer changes to a circle . Right-click and select Delete vertex from the context menu. <code>roipoly</code> draws a new straight line between the two vertices that were neighbors of the deleted vertex.</p>
Changing the color of the polygon	<p>Move the pointer anywhere inside the boundary of the region and click the right mouse button. Select Set color from the context menu.</p>

Interactive Behavior	Description
Retrieving the coordinates of the vertices	Move the pointer inside the region. Right-click and select Copy position from the context menu to copy the current position to the Clipboard. The position is an n -by-2 array containing the x - and y -coordinates of each vertex, where n is the number of vertices.

Tips

- For any of the `roipoly` syntaxes, you can replace the input image `I` with two arguments, `m` and `n`, that specify the row and column dimensions of an arbitrary image. For example, these commands create a 100-by-200 binary mask.

```
c = [112 112 79 79];
r = [37 66 66 37];
BW = roipoly(100,200,c,r);
```

If you specify `m` and `n` with an interactive form of `roipoly`, an `m`-by-`n` black image is displayed. Use the mouse to specify a polygon within this image.

See Also

`drawpolygon` | `poly2mask` | `regionfill` | `roicolor` | `roifilt2`

Introduced before R2006a

rsetwrite

Create R-Set file from image file

Syntax

```
rsetfile = rsetwrite(filename)
rsetfile = rsetwrite(filename, rsetfilename)
rsetfile = rsetwrite(adapter, rsetfilename)
```

Description

`rsetfile = rsetwrite(filename)` creates a reduced resolution dataset (R-Set) file from the specified input. The input file must be a TIFF or NITF image file. The function writes the generated R-Set file to the current working folder and has same file name as the input but with a `rset` extension.

`rsetfile = rsetwrite(filename, rsetfilename)` specifies the name of R-Set file using `rsetfilename`.

`rsetfile = rsetwrite(adapter, rsetfilename)` creates an R-Set file named `rsetfilename` from an `ImageAdapter` object, `adapter`. An `ImageAdapter` object is a user-defined object that provides `rsetwrite` function with a common API to read a particular image file format. For more details on `ImageAdapter` objects, see the `ImageAdapter` class.

Examples

Create R-Set From Large TIFF Image File

Load a TIFF image file into the workspace.

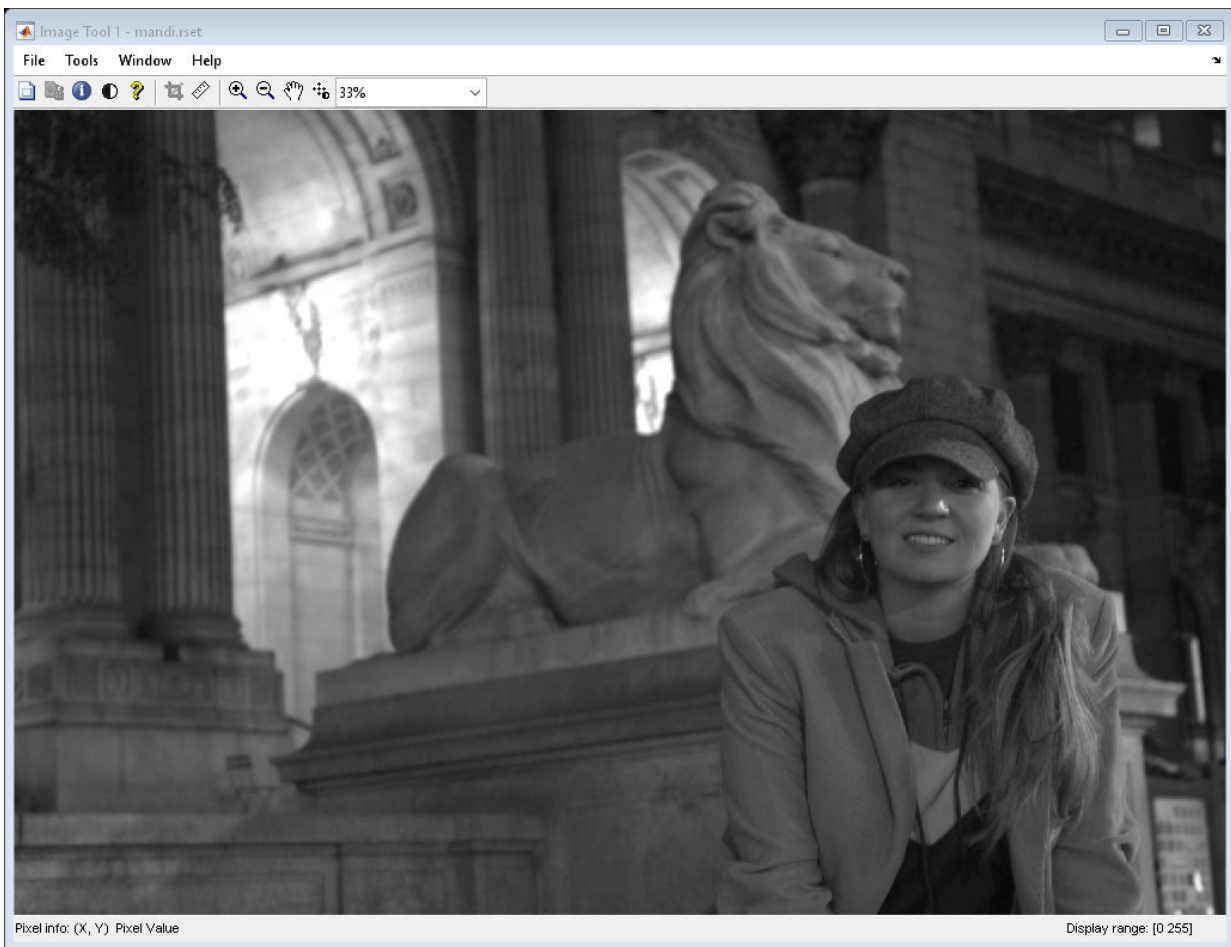
```
filename = 'mandi.tif';
```


Create an R-Set file from the image file. The function creates the R-Set in the current working folder.

```
rsetfile = rsetwrite(filename);
```

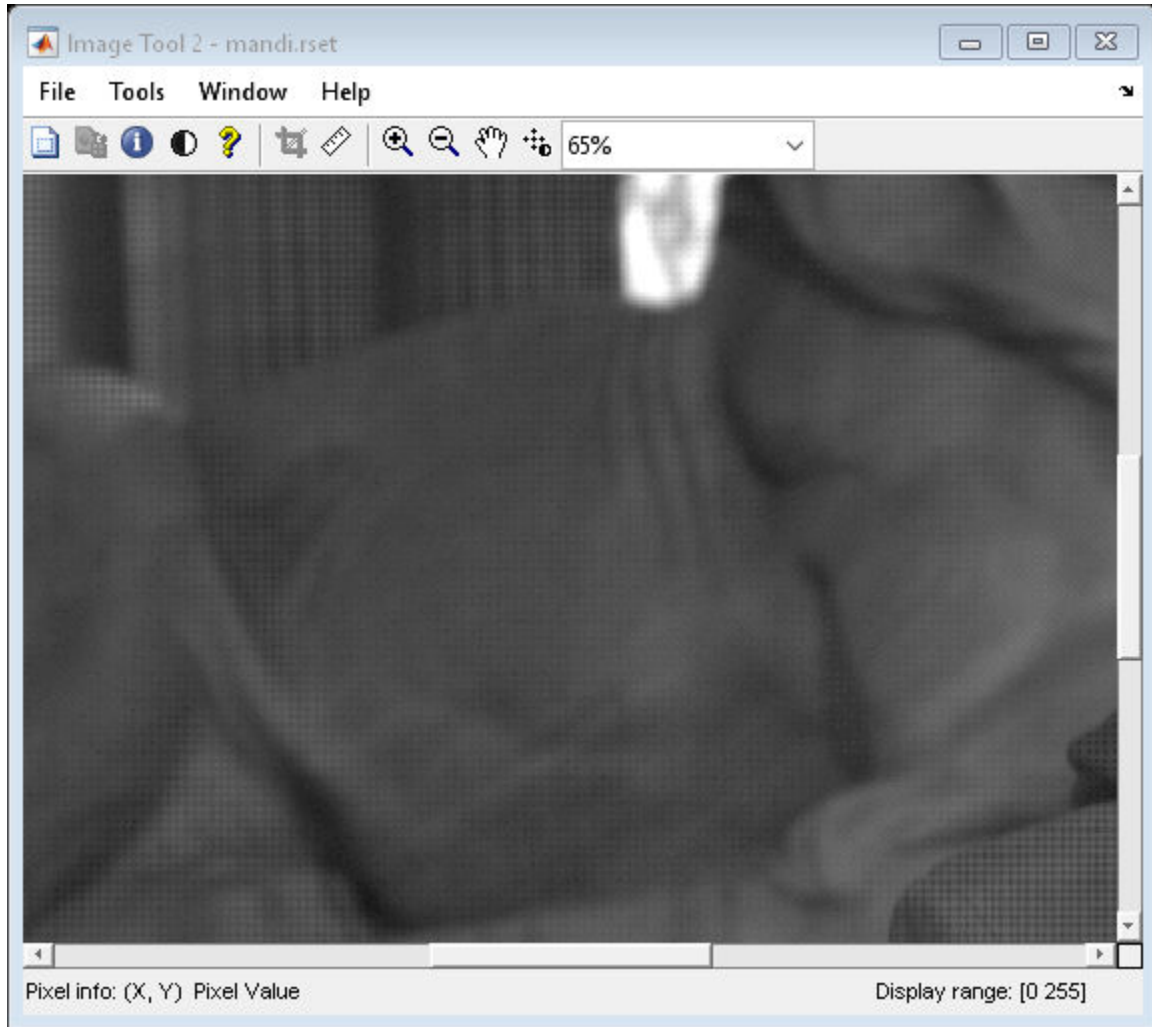
Display the R-Set file by using the `imtool` function.

```
imtool(rsetfile)
```



Zoom in on the R-Set by 65% to view the spatial tiles.

```
imtool(rsetfile, 'InitialMagnification', 65);
```



Create R-Set from ImageAdapter Object

Load a file containing an ImageAdapter object into the workspace.

```
load('MandiImageAdapter.mat')
```

Specify a name for the R-Set file to be created.

```
rsetfilename = 'MandiRSet';
```

Create an R-Set file from the ImageAdapter object. The function creates the R-Set in the current working folder.

```
rsetfile = rsetwrite(adapter,rsetfilename)
```

```
rsetfile =  
'MandiRSet'
```

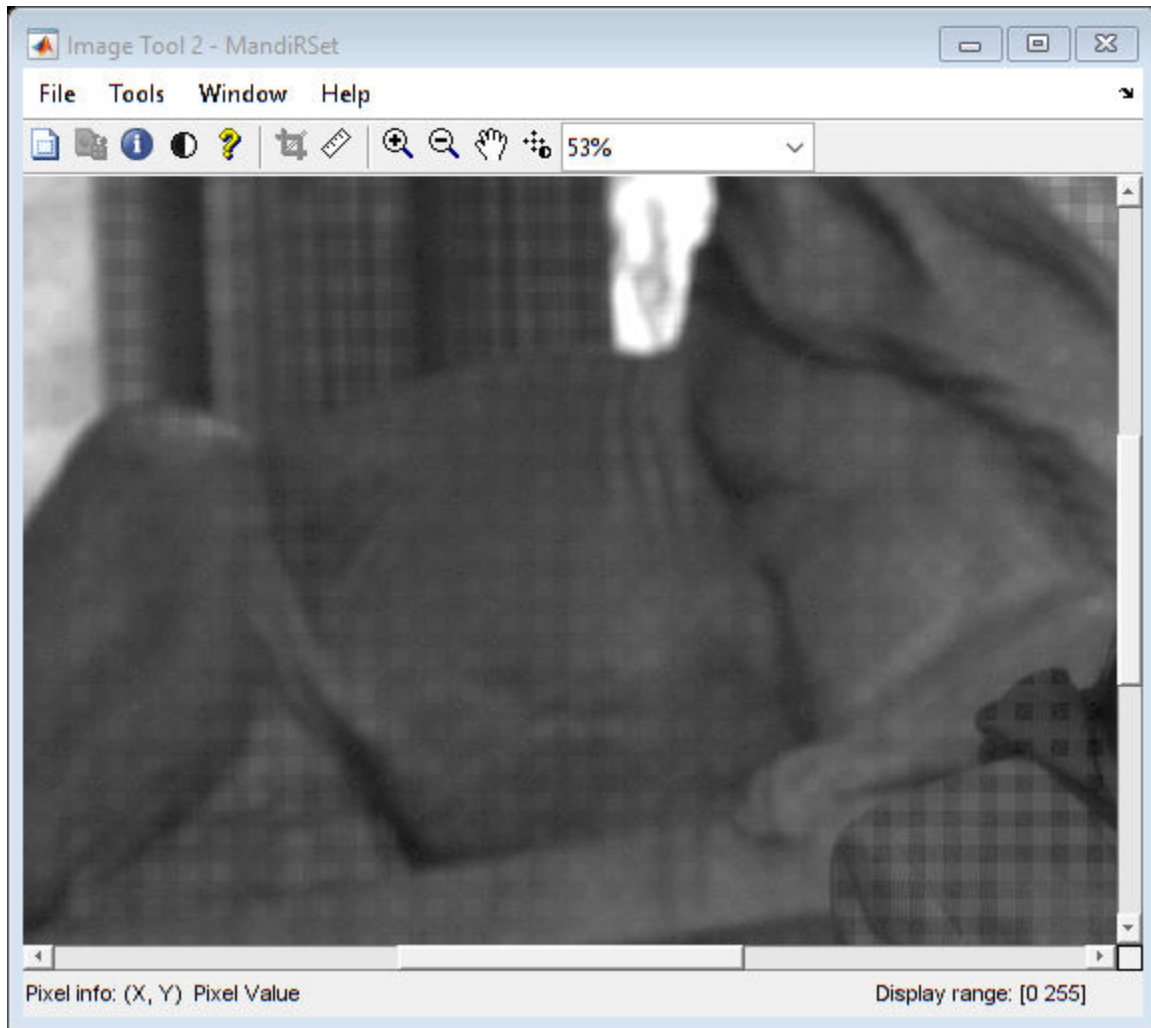
Display the R-Set file using the imtool function.

```
imtool(rsetfile)
```



Zoom in on the R-Set by 53% to view the spatial tiles.

```
imtool(rsetfile, 'InitialMagnification', 53)
```



Input Arguments

filename — Name of TIFF or NITF image file
character vector | string scalar

Name of a TIFF or NITF image file, specified as a character vector or string scalar.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

rsetfilename — Name for output R-Set file

character vector | string scalar

Name for the output R-Set file, specified as a character vector or string scalar. If `rsetfilename` is not specified, `filename` sets the name of R-Set file, `rsetfile`.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

adapter — Image adapter object

`ImageAdapter` object

Image adapter object, specified as an `ImageAdapter` object.

Output Arguments

rsetfile — Name of R-Set file

string scalar

Name of the R-Set file, returned as a string scalar. This value specifies the name of the file to which the R-Set is stored.

Algorithms

`rsetwrite` creates an R-Set by dividing an image into spatial tiles and resampling the image at different resolution levels. The R-Set file contains a compressed copy of the full-resolution image data. You can use the `imtool` function to open the R-Set file and zoom in to view the tiles at a higher resolution. When you zoom out, the function displays tiles at a lower resolution. In this way, an R-Set file balances clarity of the image and memory usage for optimal performance.

Note

- When creating an R-Set, a progress bar shows the status of the completion. If you cancel the creation process before it is complete, the function does not create an R-Set and returns an empty `rsetfile`.

- `rsetwrite` supports NITF image files that are uncompressed and Version 2.0 or higher. This function does not support NITF files with more than three data bands or with floating-point data. Images with more than one data band are accepted if they contain unsigned integer data.
 - You can create an R-Set from an image whose dimensions are smaller than the size of a single R-Set tile. But, the resulting R-Set file might be larger and take longer to load than the original file. The current size of a tile in an R-Set is 512-by-512 pixels.
-

See Also

`imread` | `imtool` | `isrset` | `openrset`

Introduced in R2009a

sizesMatch

Determine if object and image are size-compatible

Syntax

```
TF = sizesMatch(R,A)
```

Description

`TF = sizesMatch(R,A)` returns `True` if the size of image `A` is consistent with the `ImageSize` property of spatial referencing object `R`.

Examples

Check If 2-D Grayscale Image and 2-D Spatial Referencing Object Are Size-Compatible

Read a 2-D grayscale image into the workspace. View the size of the image.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');  
size(I)
```

```
ans = 1×2
```

```
    256    256
```

Create an `imref2d` spatial referencing object with the same dimensions as the image.

```
R = imref2d(size(I))
```

```
R =  
imref2d with properties:
```

```
    XWorldLimits: [0.5000 256.5000]
```



```
YWorldLimits: [0.5000 256.5000]
ImageSize: [256 256]
PixelExtentInWorldX: 1
PixelExtentInWorldY: 1
ImageExtentInWorldX: 256
ImageExtentInWorldY: 256
XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 256.5000]
YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 256.5000]
```

Confirm that the size of the image matches the `ImageSize` property of the object.

```
res = sizesMatch(R,I)

res = logical
     1
```

Read another 2-D grayscale image that has a different size. View the size of this image.

```
I2 = imread('coins.png');
size(I2)

ans = 1×2

     246     300
```

Check if the size of this image matches the size of the original spatial referencing object.

```
res2 = sizesMatch(R,I2)

res2 = logical
      0
```

The result is false, as expected.

Check If 2-D RGB Image and 2-D Spatial Referencing Object Are Size-Compatible

Read an RGB image into the workspace. View the size of the image.

```
I = imread('peppers.png');
size(I)
```

```
ans = 1×3  
    384    512     3
```

Create an `imref2d` spatial referencing object with the same dimensions as the image. The object does not retain information about the third dimension of the image array.

```
R = imref2d(size(I))
```

```
R =  
    imref2d with properties:  
        XWorldLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]  
        YWorldLimits: [0.5000 384.5000]  
        ImageSize: [384 512]  
        PixelExtentInWorldX: 1  
        PixelExtentInWorldY: 1  
        ImageExtentInWorldX: 512  
        ImageExtentInWorldY: 384  
        XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]  
        YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 384.5000]
```

Check if the size of the image is compatible with the `ImageSize` property of the object.

```
res = sizesMatch(R,I)  
  
res = logical  
     1
```

Check If 3-D Image Array and 3-D Spatial Referencing Object Are Size-Compatible

Read a 3-D volume into the workspace. This image consists of 27 frames of 128-by-128 pixel grayscale images.

```
load mri;  
D = squeeze(D);  
D = ind2gray(D,map);  
size(D)  
  
ans = 1×3
```

```
128 128 27
```

Create an `imref3d` spatial referencing object associated with the volume.

```
R = imref3d(size(D))
```

```
R =  
  imref3d with properties:  
  
      XWorldLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]  
      YWorldLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]  
      ZWorldLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]  
      ImageSize: [128 128 27]  
PixelExtentInWorldX: 1  
PixelExtentInWorldY: 1  
PixelExtentInWorldZ: 1  
ImageExtentInWorldX: 128  
ImageExtentInWorldY: 128  
ImageExtentInWorldZ: 27  
  XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]  
  YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]  
  ZIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]
```

Confirm that the size of the volume matches the `ImageSize` property of the object.

```
res = sizesMatch(R,D)
```

```
res = logical  
     1
```

The sizes match, as expected.

Read another image that has a different size. This image a 3-D array representing an RGB image.

```
I = imread('peppers.png');  
size(I)
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
384 512 3
```

Check if the size of this image matches the size of the original spatial referencing object.

```
res2 = sizesMatch(R,I)
```

```
res2 = logical  
      0
```

The result is false, as expected.

Input Arguments

R — Spatial referencing object

`imref2d` or `imref3d` object

Spatial referencing object, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` object.

A — Input image

numeric *m*-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* array

Input image, specified as a numeric *m*-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

TF — Flag indicating size compatibility

logical scalar

Flag indicating size compatibility, returned as a logical scalar. TF is True if the size of the image A is consistent with the referencing object R. When R is:

- An `imref2d` spatial referencing object, TF returns true when `R.ImageSize == [size(A,1) size(A,2)]`.

Note The dimensionality of A does not need to match the dimensionality of an `imref2d` spatial referencing object. For example, an RGB image can be consistent with an `imref2d` object. In this case, `sizesMatch` ignores the third image dimension.

- An `imref3d` spatial referencing object, `TF` returns true when `R.ImageSize == size(A)`. `A` must be a 3-D array.

Data Types: `logical`

See Also

Introduced in R2013a

ssim

Structural Similarity Index (SSIM) for measuring image quality

Syntax

```
ssimval = ssim(A,ref)
[ssimval,ssimmap] = ssim(A,ref)
___ = ssim(A,ref,Name,Value)
```

Description

`ssimval = ssim(A,ref)` computes the Structural Similarity Index (SSIM) value for image A using `ref` as the reference image.

`[ssimval,ssimmap] = ssim(A,ref)` also returns the local SSIM value for each pixel in A.

`___ = ssim(A,ref,Name,Value)` computes the SSIM, using name-value pairs to control aspects of the computation.

Examples

Calculate Structural Similarity Index (SSIM)

Read an image into the workspace. Create another version of the image, applying a blurring filter. Display both images.

```
ref = imread('pout.tif');
H = fspecial('Gaussian',[11 11],1.5);
A = imfilter(ref,H,'replicate');

subplot(1,2,1); imshow(ref); title('Reference Image');
subplot(1,2,2); imshow(A); title('Blurred Image');
```



Calculate the global SSIM value for the image and local SSIM values for each pixel. Return the global SSIM value and display the local SSIM value map.

```
[ssimval, ssimmap] = ssim(A,ref);
```

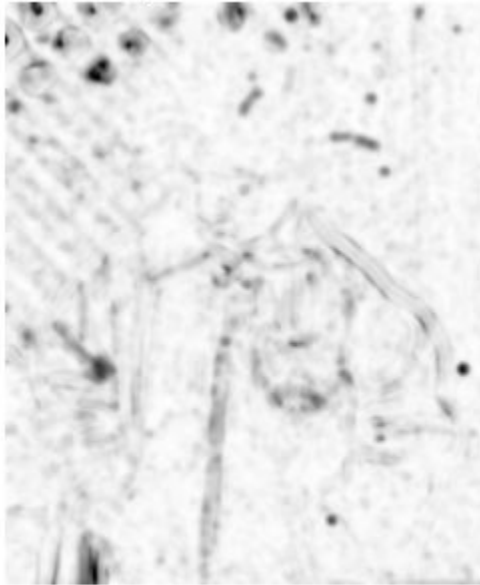
```
fprintf('The SSIM value is %0.4f.\n',ssimval);
```

```
The SSIM value is 0.9407.
```

```
figure, imshow(ssimmap,[]);
```

```
title(sprintf('ssim Index Map - Mean ssim Value is %0.4f',ssimval));
```

ssim Index Map - Mean ssim Value is 0.9407



Input Arguments

A — Image whose quality is to be measured

2-D grayscale image | 3-D volume image

Image whose quality is to be measured, specified as a 2-D grayscale image or 3-D volume image. Must be the same size and class as `ref`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

ref — Reference image against which quality is measured

2-D grayscale image | 3-D volume image

Reference image against which quality is measured, specified as a 2-D grayscale image or 3-D volume image. Must be the same size and class as A

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `ssim(A, ref, 'DynamicRange', 100)`

DynamicRange — Dynamic range of the input image

`diff(getrangefromclass(A))` (default) | positive scalar

Dynamic range of the input image, specified as a positive scalar. The default value of `DynamicRange` depends on the data type of image A, and is calculated as `diff(getrangefromclass(A))`. For example, the default dynamic range is 255 for images of data type `uint8`, and the default is 1 for images of data type `double` or `single` with pixel values in the range `[0, 1]`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Exponents — Exponents for the luminance, contrast, and structural terms respectively

`[1 1 1]` (default) | 3-element vector of nonnegative real numbers

Exponents for the luminance, contrast, and structural terms, specified as a 3-element vector of nonnegative real numbers, `[alpha beta gamma]`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Radius — Standard deviation of isotropic Gaussian function

1.5 (default) | positive scalar

Standard deviation of isotropic Gaussian function, specified as a positive scalar. This value is used for weighting the neighborhood pixels around a pixel for estimating local statistics. This weighting is used to avoid blocking artifacts in estimating local statistics.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

RegularizationConstants — Regularization constants for the luminance, contrast, and structural terms

3-element vector of nonnegative real numbers

Regularization constants for the luminance, contrast, and structural terms, specified as a 3-element vector of nonnegative real numbers of the form `[c1 c2 c3]`. The `ssim` function uses these regularization constants to avoid instability for image regions where the local mean or standard deviation is close to zero. Therefore, small non-zero values should be used for these constants.

By default,

- $C1 = (0.01 * L)^2$, where L is the specified `DynamicRange` value.
- $C2 = (0.03 * L)^2$, where L is the specified `DynamicRange` value.
- $C3 = C2/2$

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

Output Arguments

ssimval — Structural Similarity (SSIM) Index

scalar

Structural Similarity (SSIM) Index, returned as a scalar `double`, except when `A` and `ref` are of class `single`, in which case `ssimval` is of class `single`.

ssimmap — Local values of Structural Similarity (SSIM) Index

numeric array

Local values of Structural Similarity (SSIM) Index, returned as a numeric array of class `double` except when `A` and `ref` are of class `single`, in which case `ssimmap` is of class `single`. `ssimmap` is an array of the same size as input image `A`.

Definitions

Structural Similarity Index

An image quality metric that assesses the visual impact of three characteristics of an image: luminance, contrast and structure.

Algorithms

The Structural Similarity (SSIM) Index quality assessment index is based on the computation of three terms, namely the luminance term, the contrast term and the structural term. The overall index is a multiplicative combination of the three terms.

$$SSIM(x, y) = [l(x, y)]^\alpha \cdot [c(x, y)]^\beta \cdot [s(x, y)]^\gamma$$

where

$$l(x, y) = \frac{2\mu_x\mu_y + C_1}{\mu_x^2 + \mu_y^2 + C_1},$$

$$c(x, y) = \frac{2\sigma_x\sigma_y + C_2}{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + C_2},$$

$$s(x, y) = \frac{\sigma_{xy} + C_3}{\sigma_x\sigma_y + C_3}$$

where μ_x , μ_y , σ_x , σ_y , and σ_{xy} are the local means, standard deviations, and cross-covariance for images x , y . If $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 1$ (the default for Exponents), and $C_3 = C_2/2$ (default selection of C_3) the index simplifies to:

$$SSIM(x, y) = \frac{(2\mu_x\mu_y + C_1)(2\sigma_{xy} + C_2)}{(\mu_x^2 + \mu_y^2 + C_1)(\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 + C_2)}$$

References

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See Also

`immse` | `mean` | `median` | `psnr` | `sum` | `var`

Topics

“Compare Image Quality at Various Compression Levels”

Introduced in R2014a

std2

Standard deviation of matrix elements

Syntax

```
B = std2(A)
```

Description

`B = std2(A)` computes the standard deviation of all values in array `A`.

You optionally can compute the standard deviation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

Examples

Compute 2-D Standard Deviation

Read a grayscale image into the workspace, then calculate the standard deviation of the pixel intensity values.

```
I = imread('liftingbody.png');  
val = std2(I)
```

```
val = 31.6897
```

Compute 2-D Standard Deviation on a GPU

Read a grayscale image into the workspace as a `gpuArray` object, then calculate the standard deviation of the pixel intensity values using a GPU.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('liftingbody.png'));  
val = std2(I)
```

Input Arguments

A — Input data

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Input data, specified as a numeric or logical array.

To perform the computation using a GPU, specify A as a `gpuArray` that contains a numeric or logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

B — Standard deviation

numeric scalar | gpuArray

Standard deviation of input data, returned as a numeric scalar. If the data type of A is `single`, then the data type of B is also `single`. Otherwise, the data type of B is `double`.

If the standard deviation is computed using a GPU, then B is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

corr2 | mean | mean2 | std

Introduced before R2006a

stdfilt

Local standard deviation of image

Syntax

```
J = stdfilt(I)
J = stdfilt(I,nhood)
```

Description

`J = stdfilt(I)` performs standard deviation filtering of image `I` and returns the filtered image `J`. The value of each output pixel is the standard deviation of the 3-by-3 neighborhood around the corresponding input pixel. For pixels on the borders of `I`, `stdfilt` uses symmetric padding. In symmetric padding, the values of padding pixels are a mirror reflection of the border pixels in `I`.

You optionally can perform the operation using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`J = stdfilt(I,nhood)` specifies the neighborhood, `nhood`, used to compute the standard deviation.

Examples

Perform Standard Deviation Filtering

This example shows how to perform standard deviation filtering using `stdfilt`. Brighter pixels in the filtered image correspond to neighborhoods in the original image with larger standard deviations.

Read an image into the workspace.

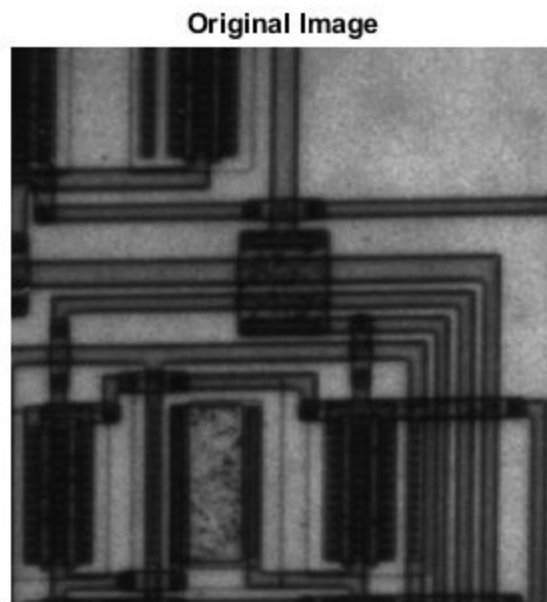
```
I = imread('circuit.tif');
```


Perform standard deviation filtering using `stdfilt`.

```
J = stdfilt(I);
```

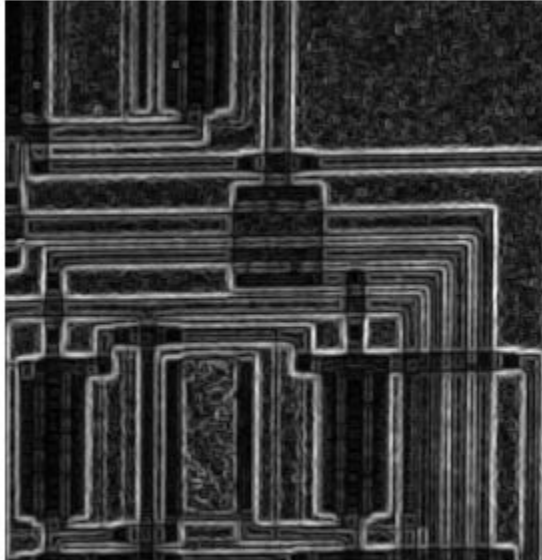
Show the original image and the processed image.

```
imshow(I)  
title('Original Image')
```



```
figure  
imshow(J,[])  
title('Result of Standard Deviation Filtering')
```

Result of Standard Deviation Filtering



Perform Standard Deviation Filtering on a GPU

Read an images into a gpuArray.

```
I = gpuArray(imread('circuit.tif'));
```

Perform standard deviation filtering using `stdfilt`.

```
J = stdfilt(I);
```

Show the original image and the processed image.

```
imshow(I)
title('Original Image')
figure
```

```
imshow(J,[])  
title('Result of Standard Deviation Filtering')
```

Input Arguments

I — Image to be filtered

numeric array | logical array | gpuArray

Image to be filtered, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension.

To perform the operation using a GPU, specify **I** as a **gpuArray** that contains a numeric or logical array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

nhood — Neighborhood

`true(3)` (default) | multidimensional, logical, or numeric array containing zeros and ones

Neighborhood, specified as a multidimensional, logical, or numeric array containing zeros and ones. The size of **nhood** must be odd in each dimension.

By default, `stdfilt` uses the neighborhood `true(3)`. `stdfilt` determines the center element of the neighborhood by `floor((size(nhood) + 1)/2)`.

To specify neighborhoods of various shapes, such as a disk, use the `strel` function to create a structuring element object of the desired shape. Then extract the neighborhood from the `neighborhood` property of the structuring element.

Note When running this function on a GPU, the neighborhood must be 2-D.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

J — Filtered image

numeric array | gpuArray

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array of the same size as the input image `I`. The class of `J` is `double`.

If the filtered image is computed using a GPU, then `J` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a numeric array of the same class as in `I`.

Algorithms

If the image contains `Infs` or `NaNs`, then the behavior of `stdfilt` is undefined. Propagation of `Infs` or `NaNs` might not be localized to the neighborhood around the `Inf` or `NaN` pixel.

Extended Capabilities

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- The filtering neighborhood must be two-dimensional.

For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

Functions

`entropyfilt` | `getnhood` | `rangefilt` | `std2`

Objects

`offsetstrel` | `strel`

Topics

“What Is Image Filtering in the Spatial Domain?”

Introduced before R2006a

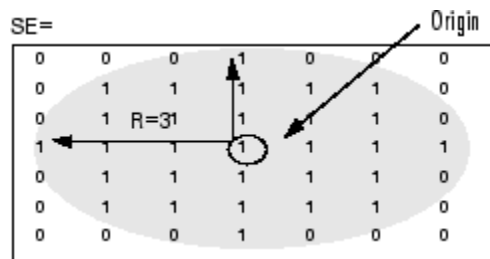
strel

Morphological structuring element

Description

A `strel` object represents a flat morphological structuring element, which is an essential part of morphological dilation and erosion operations.

A flat structuring element is a binary valued neighborhood, either 2-D or multidimensional, in which the `true` pixels are included in the morphological computation, and the `false` pixels are not. The center pixel of the structuring element, called the *origin*, identifies the pixel in the image being processed. Use the `strel` function (described below) to create a flat structuring element. You can use flat structuring elements with both binary and grayscale images. The following figure illustrates a flat structuring element.



To create a nonflat structuring element, use `offsetstrel`.

Creation

Syntax

```
SE = strel(nhood)
SE = strel('arbitrary',nhood)
```

```
SE = strel('diamond',r)
SE = strel('disk',r,n)
SE = strel('octagon',r)
SE = strel('line',len,deg)
SE = strel('rectangle',[m n])
SE = strel('square',w)

SE = strel('cube',w)
SE = strel('cuboid',[m n p])
SE = strel('sphere',r)
```

Description

`SE = strel(nhood)` creates a flat structuring element with specified neighborhood `nhood`.

You can also use the syntax `SE = strel('arbitrary',nhood)` to create a flat structuring element with a specified neighborhood.

`SE = strel('diamond',r)` creates a diamond-shaped structuring element, where `r` specifies the distance from the structuring element origin to the points of the diamond.

`SE = strel('disk',r,n)` creates a disk-shaped structuring element, where `r` specifies the radius and `n` specifies the number of line structuring elements used to approximate the disk shape. Morphological operations using disk approximations run much faster when the structuring element uses approximations.

`SE = strel('octagon',r)` creates an octagonal structuring element, where `r` specifies the distance from the structuring element origin to the sides of the octagon, as measured along the horizontal and vertical axes. `r` must be a nonnegative multiple of 3.

`SE = strel('line',len,deg)` creates a linear structuring element that is symmetric with respect to the neighborhood center, with approximate length `len` and angle `deg`.

`SE = strel('rectangle',[m n])` creates a rectangular structuring element of size `[m n]`.

`SE = strel('square',w)` creates a square structuring element whose width is `w` pixels.

`SE = strel('cube',w)` creates a 3-D cubic structuring element whose width is `w` pixels.

`SE = strel('cuboid', [m n p])` creates a 3-D cuboidal structuring element of size `[m n p]`.

`SE = strel('sphere', r)` creates a 3-D spherical structuring element whose radius is `r` pixels.

Compatibility

The following syntaxes still work, but `offsetstrel` is the preferred way to create these nonflat structuring element shapes:

- `SE = strel('arbitrary', nhood, h)`
- `SE = strel('ball', r, h, n)`

The following syntaxes still work, but are not recommended for use:

- `SE = strel('pair', offset)`
- `SE = strel('periodicline', p, v)`

Input Arguments

nhood — Neighborhood

numeric array

Neighborhood, specified as numeric array of any dimension. All nonzero pixels of `nhood` belong to the neighborhood for the morphological operation. The center (or origin) of `nhood` is its center element, given by `floor((size(nhood) + 1)/2)`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

r — Radius of the structuring element in the x-y plane

positive integer

Radius of the structuring element in the x - y plane, specified as a positive integer.

- For the disk shape, `r` is the distance from the origin to the edge of the disk.
- For the diamond shape, `r` is the distance from the structuring element origin to the points of the diamond.

- For the octagon shape, r is the distance from the structuring element origin to the sides of the octagon, as measured along the horizontal and vertical axes. r must be a multiple of 3.

Data Types: double

n — Number of periodic line structuring elements used to approximate shape

4 (default) | 0 | 6 | 8

Number of periodic line structuring elements used to approximate shape, specified as 0, 4, 6, or 8. When n is greater than 0, the disk-shaped structuring element is approximated by a sequence of n periodic-line structuring elements. When n is 0, `strel` does no approximation, and the structuring element members comprise all pixels whose centers are no greater than r away from the origin. Morphological operations using disk approximations run much faster when the structuring element uses approximations ($n > 0$). Sometimes it is necessary for `strel` to use two extra line structuring elements in the approximation, in which case the number of decomposed structuring elements used is $n + 2$.

Value of n	Behavior
$n > 0$	<code>strel</code> uses a sequence of n (or sometimes $n+2$) periodic line-shaped structuring elements to approximate the shape.
$n = 0$	<code>strel</code> does not use any approximation. The structuring element members comprise all pixels whose centers are no greater than r away from the origin and the corresponding height values are determined from the formula of the ellipsoid specified by r and h .

Data Types: double

len — Length of linear structuring element

positive number

Length of linear structuring element, specified as a positive number. `len` is approximately the distance between the centers of the structuring element members at opposite ends of the line.

Data Types: double

deg — Angle of linear structuring element

numeric scalar

Angle of linear structuring element, in degrees, specified as numeric scalar. The angle is measured in a counterclockwise direction from the horizontal axis.

Data Types: double

[m n] — Size of rectangular structuring element

2-element vector of positive integers

Size of rectangular structuring element, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. The structuring element has m rows and n columns.

Data Types: double

w — Width of square or cubic structuring element

positive integer

Width of square or cubic structuring element, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: double

[m n p] — Size of cuboidal structuring element

3-element vector of positive integers

Size of cuboidal structuring element, specified as a 3-element vector of positive integers. The structuring element has m rows, n columns, and p planes.

Data Types: double

Properties

Neighborhood — Structuring element neighborhood

logical array

Structuring element neighborhood, specified as a logical array.

Data Types: logical

Dimensionality — Dimensions of structuring element

nonnegative scalar

Dimensions of structuring element, specified as a nonnegative scalar.

Data Types: double

Object Functions

imdilate	Dilate image
imerode	Erode image
imclose	Morphologically close image
imopen	Morphologically open image
imbothat	Bottom-hat filtering
imtophat	Top-hat filtering
bwhitmiss	Binary hit-miss operation
decompose	Return sequence of decomposed structuring elements
reflect	Reflect structuring element
translate	Translate structuring element

Examples

Create Square Structuring Element

Create an 11-by-11 square structuring element.

```
SE = strel('square', 11)
```

```
SE =
```

```
strel is a square shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Neighborhood: [11x11 logical]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Create Line-Shaped Structuring Element

Create a line-shaped structuring element with a length of 10 at an angle of 45 degrees.

```
SE = strel('line', 10, 45)
```

```
SE =
```

```
strel is a line shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Neighborhood: [7x7 logical]
```

Dimensionality: 2

View the structuring element.

SE.Neighborhood

ans = 7x7 logical array

```
0 0 0 0 0 0 1
0 0 0 0 0 1 0
0 0 0 0 1 0 0
0 0 0 1 0 0 0
0 0 1 0 0 0 0
0 1 0 0 0 0 0
1 0 0 0 0 0 0
```

Create Disk-Shaped Structuring Element

Create a disk-shaped structuring element with a radius of 15.

```
SE3 = strel('disk', 15)
```

SE3 =

strel is a disk shaped structuring element with properties:

```
    Neighborhood: [29x29 logical]
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Display the disk-shaped structuring element.

```
figure
imshow(SE3.Neighborhood)
```



Create 3-D Sphere-shaped Structuring Element

Create a 3-D sphere-shaped structuring element with a radius of 15.

```
SE = strel('sphere', 15)
```

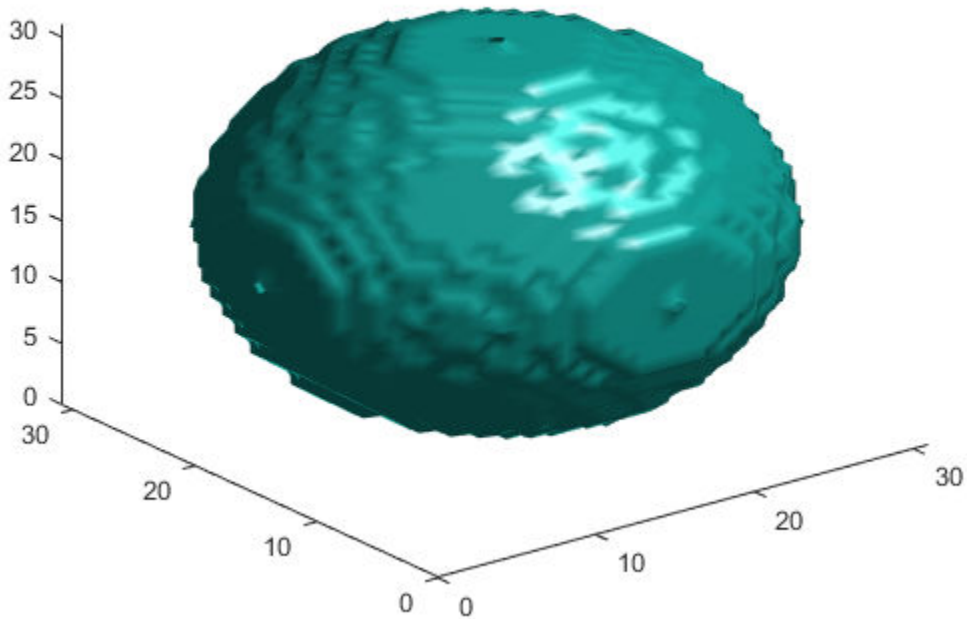
```
SE =
```

```
strel is a sphere shaped structuring element with properties:
```

```
    Neighborhood: [31x31x31 logical]  
    Dimensionality: 3
```

Display the structuring element.

```
figure  
isosurface(SE.Neighborhood)
```



Tips

- Structuring elements that do not use approximations ($n = 0$) are not suitable for computing granulometries.

Algorithms

For all shapes except 'arbitrary', structuring elements are constructed using a family of techniques known collectively as *structuring element decomposition*. The principle is

that dilation by some large structuring elements can be computed faster by dilation with a sequence of smaller structuring elements. For example, dilation by an 11-by-11 square structuring element can be accomplished by dilating first with a 1-by-11 structuring element and then with an 11-by-1 structuring element. This results in a theoretical performance improvement of a factor of 5.5, although in practice the actual performance improvement is somewhat less. Structuring element decompositions used for the 'disk' shape is an approximations—all other decompositions are exact.

Compatibility Considerations

Linear Structuring Elements Use Angle in Range [0, 180]

Behavior changed in R2017b

Starting in R2017b, `strel` constrains linear structuring elements to have an angle in the range [0, 180]. If you specify a value of `deg` outside this range, then `strel` computes the angle as $\text{mod}(\text{deg}, 180)$.

Prior to R2017b, in some situations, `strel` would create different linear structuring elements for angles that differ by a factor of 180 degrees.

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Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `strel` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- All input arguments must be compile-time constants.
- The methods associated with `strel` objects are not supported in code generation.
- Arrays of `strel` objects are not supported.

See Also

`offsetstrel`

Topics

“Structuring Elements”

Introduced before R2006a

stretchlim

Find limits to contrast stretch image

Syntax

```
lowhigh = stretchlim(I)  
lowhigh = stretchlim(I,Tol)
```

Description

`lowhigh = stretchlim(I)` computes the lower and upper limits that can be used for contrast stretching grayscale or RGB image `I`. The limits are returned in `lowhigh`. By default, the limits specify the bottom 1% and the top 1% of all pixel values.

You optionally can calculate the limits using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`lowhigh = stretchlim(I,Tol)` specifies the fraction, `Tol`, of the image to saturate at low and high pixel values.

Examples

Find Limits to Stretch Contrast in Grayscale Image

Read grayscale image into the workspace and display it.

```
I = imread('pout.tif');  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Adjust the contrast in the image using `stretchlim` to set the limits, and display the result. The example uses the default limits `[0.01 0.99]`, saturating the upper 1% and the lower 1%.

```
J = imadjust(I,stretchlim(I),[]);  
figure  
imshow(J)
```



Find Limits to Stretch Contrast in Grayscale Image on a GPU

Read grayscale image, creating a `gpuArray`.

```
gpuarrayI = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));  
figure, imshow(gpuarrayI)
```

Adjust the contrast in the image using `stretchlim` to set the limits. Display the result.

```
gpuarrayJ = imadjust(gpuarrayI,stretchlim(I),[]);
figure, imshow(gpuarrayJ)
```

Input Arguments

I — Image to be contrast stretched

2-D grayscale image | 2-D RGB image | gpuArray

Image to be contrast stretched, specified as a 2-D grayscale or RGB image.

To compute the limits using a GPU, specify **I** as a **gpuArray** that contains a 2-D grayscale or RGB image.

Example: `I = imread('pout.tif');`

Example: `I = imread('peppers.png');`

Example: `I = gpuArray(imread('pout.tif'));`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Tol — Fraction of image to saturate

[0.01 0.99] (default) | numeric scalar | 2-element numeric vector

Fraction of the image to saturate, specified as a numeric scalar or two-element vector [`Low_Fract High_Fract`] in the range [0 1].

Value	Description
Scalar	If <code>Tol</code> is a scalar, then <code>Low_Fract = Tol</code> , and <code>High_Fract = 1 - Low_Fract</code> , which saturates equal fractions at low and high pixel values.
0	If <code>Tol = 0</code> , then <code>lowhigh = [min(I(:)); max(I(:))]</code> .
Default	If you omit the <code>Tol</code> argument, then [<code>Low_Fract High_Fract</code>] defaults to [0.01 0.99], saturating 2%.
Too big	If <code>Tol</code> is too big, such that no pixels would be left after saturating low and high pixel values, then <code>stretchlim</code> returns [0 1].

Example: `lohi = stretchlim(I,[.02 .80]);`

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

lowhigh — Lower and upper limits for contrast stretching

2-element numeric vector | 2-by-3 numeric matrix | gpuArray

Lower and upper limits for contrast stretching, returned as one of the following.

- A 2-element numeric vector when **I** is a grayscale image.
- A 2-by-3 numeric matrix when **I** is an RGB image. The columns indicate the lower and upper limit for each of the three color channels.

If the limits are computed using a GPU, then **lowhigh** is returned as a **gpuArray** containing a 2-element numeric vector or a 2-by-3 numeric array.

Data Types: `double`

Tips

- Use the `imadjust` function to adjust the contrast of image **I** using the limits, **lowhigh**.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `stretchlim` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic **MATLAB Host Computer** target platform, `stretchlim` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

brighten | decorrstretch | histeq | imadjust

Introduced before R2006a

subimage

Display multiple images in single figure

Note `subimage` is not recommended. Use `imshow` with `subplot` to display multiple images in the same figure window. For more information, see “Compatibility Considerations”.

Syntax

```
subimage(I)
subimage(X,map)
subimage(x,y, ___ )
h = subimage( ___ )
```

Description

`subimage(I)` displays the RGB (truecolor), grayscale, or binary image `I` in the current axes.

You can use `subimage` in conjunction with `subplot` to create figures with multiple images, even if the images have different colormaps. `subimage` converts images to RGB for display purposes, thus avoiding colormap conflicts.

`subimage(X,map)` displays the indexed image `X` with colormap `map` in the current axes.

`subimage(x,y, ___)` displays an image using a nondefault spatial coordinate system, where `x` and `y` specify the image limits in the world coordinate system.

`h = subimage(___)` returns a handle to an image object.

Examples

Display Two Indexed Images in Same Figure

```
load trees
[X2,map2] = imread('forest.tif');
subplot(1,2,1), subimage(X,map)
subplot(1,2,2), subimage(X2,map2)
```

Input Arguments

I — Image to display

RGB image | grayscale image | binary image

Image to display, specified as an RGB (truecolor), grayscale, or binary image.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

X — Indexed image to display

m-by-*n* matrix of integers

Indexed image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* matrix of integers.

- If you specify *X* as an array of integer data type, then the value 0 corresponds to the first color in the colormap *map*. For a colormap containing *c* colors, values of image *X* are clipped to the range [0, *c*-1].
- If you specify *X* as an array of data type `double`, then the value 1 corresponds to the first color in the colormap. For a colormap containing *c* colors, values of image *X* are clipped to the range [1, *c*].

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

map — Colormap

c-by-3 matrix

Colormap associated with indexed image *X*, specified as a *c*-by-3 matrix with values in the range [0, 1]. Each row of *map* is a three-element RGB triplet that specifies the red, green, and blue components of a single color of the colormap.

Data Types: `double`

x — Image limits in the x direction

2-element numeric vector

Image limits in the x direction in world coordinates, specified as a 2-element numeric vector of the form `[xmin xmax]`. The value of x sets the image XData.

y — Image limits in the y direction

2-element numeric vector

Image limits in the y direction in world coordinates, specified as a 2-element numeric vector of the form `[ymin ymax]`. The value of y sets the image YData.

Output Arguments

h — Handle to image object

handle

Handle to an image graphics object, specified as a handle.

Compatibility Considerations

subimage is not recommended*Not recommended starting in R2016b*

Before R2016b, `imshow` set the colormap of a figure window, and all axes within the figure would have an identical colormap. `subimage` was introduced in R2006a as a workaround to display multiple images with different colormaps in the same figure. However, `subimage` does not provide all of the syntaxes and options that `imshow` provides, such as the ability to specify the display range.

In R2016b, `imshow` was enhanced so that images displayed within a figure could have different colormaps. This enhancement renders the `subimage` function irrelevant. There are no plans to remove `subimage` at this time.

To update your code, replace instances of `subimage` with `imshow`. You do not need to change the input arguments.

See Also

`imshow` | `montage` | `subplot`

Introduced before R2006a

superpixels

2-D superpixel oversegmentation of images

Syntax

```
[L,NumLabels] = superpixels(A,N)
[L,NumLabels] = superpixels( ____,Name,Value,...)
```

Description

`[L,NumLabels] = superpixels(A,N)` computes superpixels of the 2-D grayscale or RGB image `A`. `N` specifies the number of superpixels you want to create. The function returns `L`, a label matrix of type `double`, and `NumLabels`, the actual number of superpixels that were computed.

The `superpixels` function uses the simple linear iterative clustering (SLIC) algorithm [1]. This algorithm groups pixels into regions with similar values. Using these regions in image processing operations, such as segmentation, can reduce the complexity of these operations.

`[L,NumLabels] = superpixels(____,Name,Value,...)` computes superpixels of image `A` using with `Name-Value` pairs used to control aspects of the segmentation.

Examples

Compute Superpixels of Input RGB Image

Read image into the workspace.

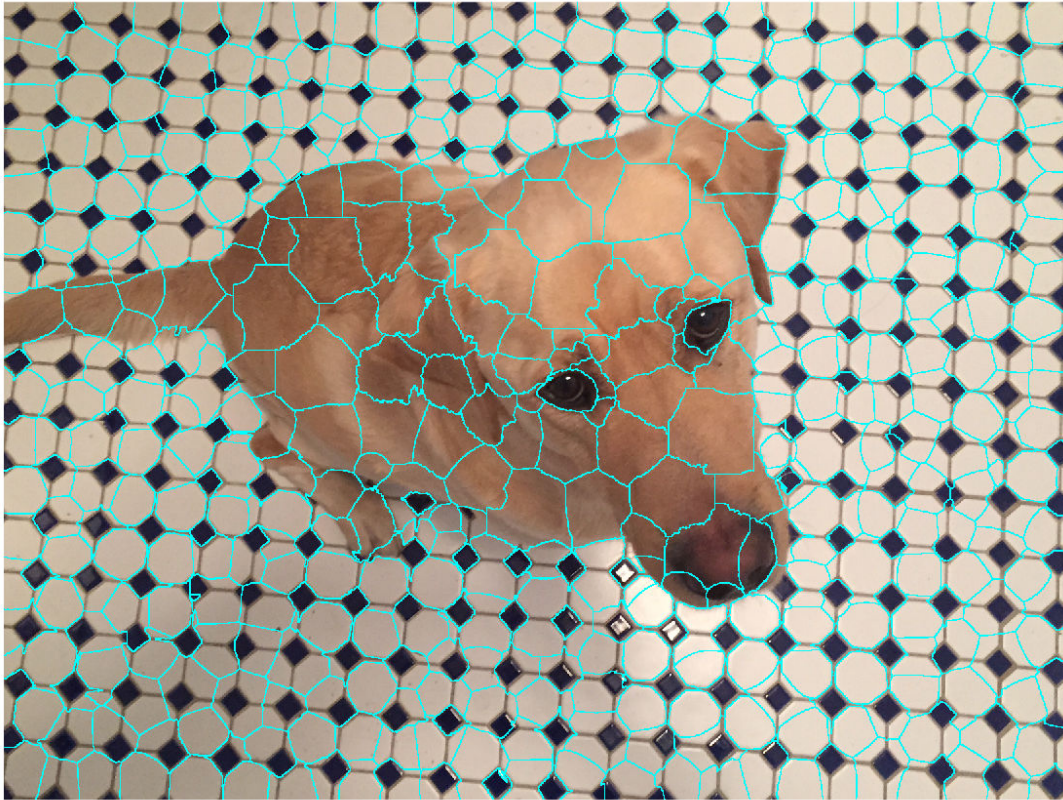
```
A = imread('kobi.png');
```

Calculate superpixels of the image.

```
[L,N] = superpixels(A,500);
```

Display the superpixel boundaries overlaid on the original image.

```
figure
BW = boundarymask(L);
imshow(imoverlay(A,BW,'cyan'),'InitialMagnification',67)
```



Set the color of each pixel in the output image to the mean RGB color of the superpixel region.

```
outputImage = zeros(size(A),'like',A);
idx = label2idx(L);
numRows = size(A,1);
numCols = size(A,2);
```

```
for labelVal = 1:N
    redIdx = idx{labelVal};
    greenIdx = idx{labelVal}+numRows*numCols;
    blueIdx = idx{labelVal}+2*numRows*numCols;
    outputImage(redIdx) = mean(A(redIdx));
    outputImage(greenIdx) = mean(A(greenIdx));
    outputImage(blueIdx) = mean(A(blueIdx));
end

figure
imshow(outputImage, 'InitialMagnification',67)
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

real, nonsparse matrix

Input image, specified as a real, nonsparse matrix. For `int16` data, `A` must be a 2-D grayscale image. For all other data types, `A` can be a 2-D grayscale or 2-D RGB image. When the parameter `isInputLab` is `true`, the input image must be `single` or `double`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

N — Desired number of superpixels

numeric scalar

Desired number of superpixels, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = superpixels(A,100,'NumIterations', 20);`

Compactness — Shape of superpixels

10 (default) | numeric scalar

Shape of superpixels, specified as a numeric scalar. The compactness parameter of the SLIC algorithm controls the shape of superpixels. A higher value makes superpixels more regularly shaped, that is, a square. A lower value makes superpixels adhere to boundaries better, making them irregularly shaped. The allowed range is $(0 \text{ } \text{Inf})$. Typical values for compactness are in the range $[1, 20]$.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

IsInputLab — Input image data is in the $L^*a^*b^*$ colorspace

false (default) | true

Input image data is in the $L*a*b*$ colorspace, specified as the logical scalar `true` or `false`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

Method — Algorithm used to compute superpixels

`'slic0'` (default) | `'slic'`

Algorithm used to compute superpixels, specified as one of the following values. The `superpixels` function uses two variations of the simple linear iterative clustering (SLIC) algorithm.

Value	Meaning
<code>'slic0'</code>	<code>superpixels</code> uses the SLIC0 algorithm to refine 'Compactness' adaptively after the first iteration. This is the default.
<code>'slic'</code>	'Compactness' is constant during clustering.

Data Types: `char` | `string`

NumIterations — Number of iterations used in the clustering phase of the algorithm

10 (default) | numeric scalar

Number of iterations used in the clustering phase of the algorithm, specified as a numeric scalar. For most problems, it is not necessary to adjust this parameter.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

numeric array

Label matrix, returned as a numeric array of type `double`. The values are positive integers, where 1 indicates the first region, 2 the second region, and so on for each superpixel region in the image.

NumLabels — Number of superpixels computed

numeric scalar

Number of superpixels computed, returned as a numeric scalar of type `double`.

References

- [1] Radhakrishna Achanta, Appu Shaji, Kevin Smith, Aurelien Lucchi, Pascal Fua, and Sabine Susstrunk, *SLIC Superpixels Compared to State-of-the-art Superpixel Methods*. IEEE Transactions on Pattern Analysis and Machine Intelligence, Volume 34, Issue 11, pp. 2274-2282, May 2012

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `superpixels` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). For more information, see “Code Generation for Image Processing”.
- All character vector inputs must be compile-time constants.
- The value of `'IsInputLabel'` (`true` or `false`) must be a compile-time constant.

See Also

`boundarymask` | `imoverlay` | `label2idx` | `label2rgb` | `superpixels3`

Topics

“Plot Land Classification with Color Features and Superpixels”

Introduced in R2016a

superpixels3

3-D superpixel oversegmentation of 3-D image

Syntax

```
[L,NumLabels] = superpixels3(A,N)
[L,NumLabels] = superpixels3( ____,Name,Value,...)
```

Description

`[L,NumLabels] = superpixels3(A,N)` computes 3-D superpixels of the 3-D image `A`. `N` specifies the number of superpixels you want to create. The function returns `L`, a 3-D label matrix, and `NumLabels`, the actual number of superpixels returned.

`[L,NumLabels] = superpixels3(____,Name,Value,...)` computes superpixels of image `A` using `Name-Value` pairs to control aspects of the segmentation.

Examples

Compute 3-D Superpixels of Input Volumetric Intensity Image

Load 3-D MRI data, remove any singleton dimensions, and convert the data into a grayscale intensity image.

```
load mri;
D = squeeze(D);
A = ind2gray(D,map);
```

Calculate the 3-D superpixels. Form an output image where each pixel is set to the mean color of its corresponding superpixel region.

```
[L,N] = superpixels3(A,34);
```

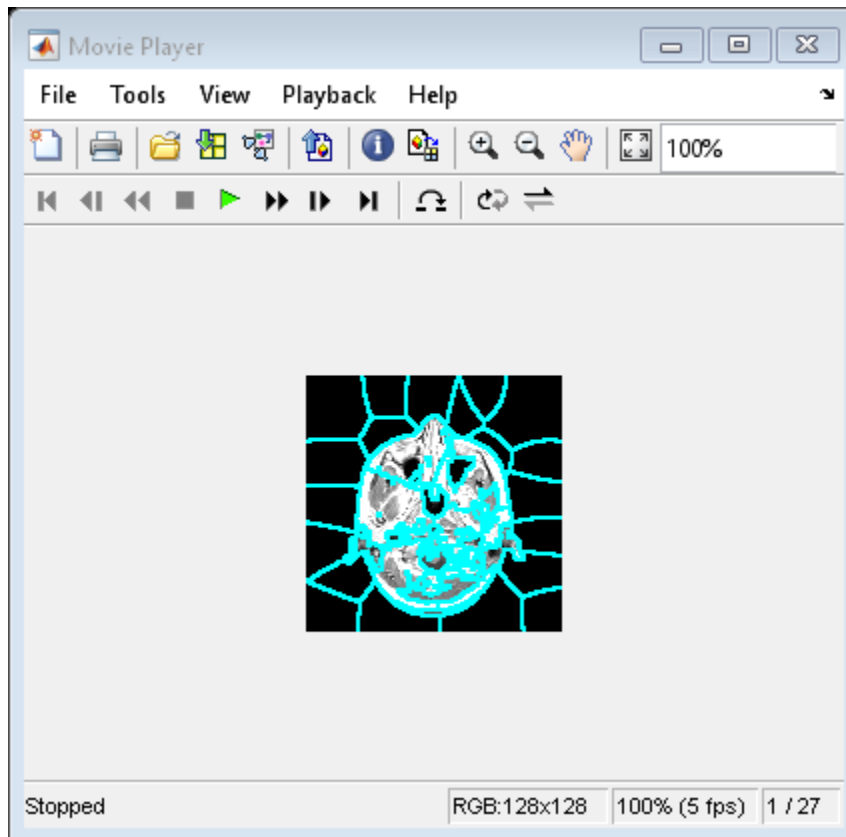
Show all xy-planes progressively with superpixel boundaries.

```
imSize = size(A);
```

Create a stack of RGB images to display the boundaries in color.

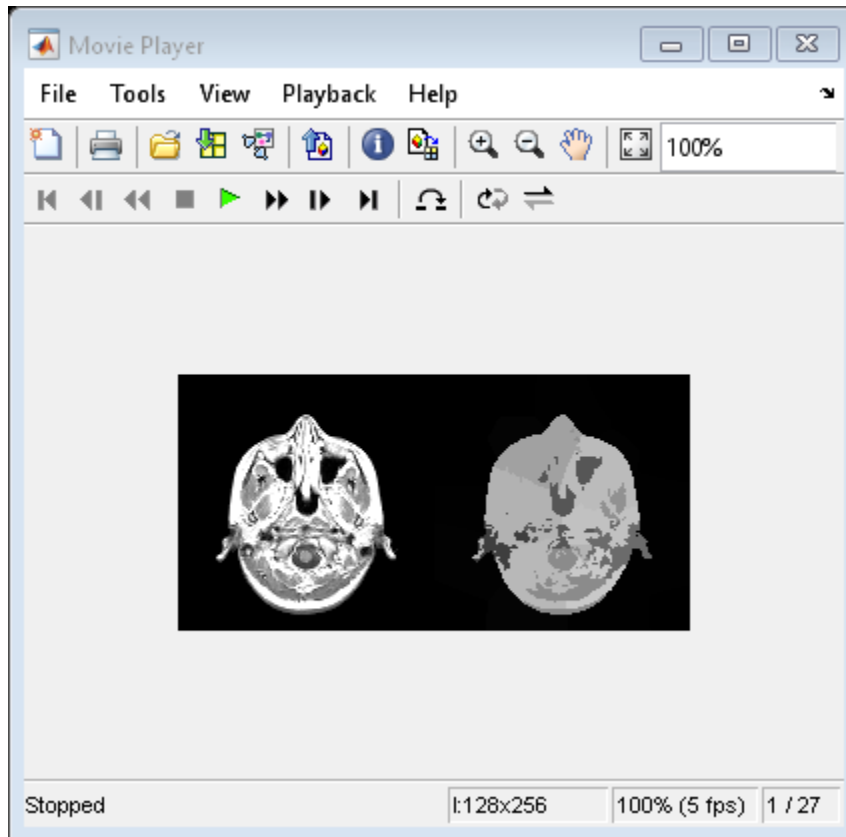
```
imPlusBoundaries = zeros(imSize(1),imSize(2),3,imSize(3),'uint8');  
for plane = 1:imSize(3)  
    BW = boundarymask(L(:, :, plane));  
    % Create an RGB representation of this plane with boundary shown  
    % in cyan.  
    imPlusBoundaries(:, :, :, plane) = imoverlay(A(:, :, plane), BW, 'cyan');  
end
```

```
implay(imPlusBoundaries,5)
```



Set the color of each pixel in output image to the mean intensity of the superpixel region. Show the mean image next to the original. If you run this code, you can use `implay` to view each slice of the MRI data.

```
pixelIdxList = label2idx(L);  
meanA = zeros(size(A), 'like', D);  
for superpixel = 1:N  
    memberPixelIdx = pixelIdxList{superpixel};  
    meanA(memberPixelIdx) = mean(A(memberPixelIdx));  
end  
implay([A meanA],5);
```



Input Arguments

A — Input image

real, nonsparse 3-D array

Input image, specified as a real, nonsparse 3-D array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32`

N — Desired number of superpixels

numeric scalar

Desired number of superpixels, specified as a numeric scalar.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `B = superpixels3(A,100,'NumIterations', 20);`

Compactness — Shape of superpixels

`0.001` if method is `slic0` and `0.05` if method is `slic` (default) | numeric scalar

Shape of superpixels, specified as a numeric scalar. The compactness parameter of the SLIC algorithm controls the shape of the superpixels. A higher value makes the superpixels more regularly shaped, that is, a square. A lower value makes the superpixels adhere to boundaries better, making them irregularly shaped. You can specify any value in the range $[0 \text{ Inf})$ but typical values are in the range $[0.01, 0.1]$.

Note If you specify the `'slic0'` method, you typically do not need to adjust the `'Compactness'` parameter. With the `'slic0'` method, `superpixel3` adaptively refines the `'Compactness'` parameter automatically, thus eliminating the need to determine a good value.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Method — Algorithm used to compute superpixels

`'slic0'` (default) | `'slic'`

Algorithm used to compute the superpixels, specified as one of the following values. For more information, see “Algorithms” on page 1-2872.

Value	Meaning
<code>'slic0'</code>	<code>superpixels3</code> uses the SLIC0 algorithm to refine <code>'Compactness'</code> adaptively after the first iteration. This is the default.

Value	Meaning
'slic'	'Compactness' is constant during clustering.

Data Types: char | string

NumIterations — Number of iterations used in the clustering phase of the algorithm

10 (default) | numeric scalar

Number of iterations used in the clustering phase of the algorithm, specified as a numeric scalar. For most problems it is not necessary to adjust this parameter.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

3-D array of type double

Label matrix, returned as a 3-D array of type double. The values are positive integers, where 1 indicates the first region, 2 the second region, and so on for each superpixel region in the image.

NumLabels — Number of superpixels computed

numeric scalar

Number of superpixels computed, returned as a numeric scalar of type double.

Algorithms

The algorithm used in `superpixels3` is a modified version of the Simple Linear Iterative Clustering (SLIC) algorithm used by `superpixels`. At a high level, it creates cluster centers and then iteratively alternates between assigning pixels to the closest cluster center and updating the locations of the cluster centers. `superpixels3` uses a distance metric to determine the closest cluster center for each pixel. This distance metric combines intensity distance and spatial distance.

The function's `Compactness` argument comes from the mathematical form of the distance metric. The compactness parameter of the algorithm is a scalar value that

controls the shape of the superpixels. The distance between two pixels i and j , where m is the compactness value, is:

$$d_{\text{intensity}} = \sqrt{(I_i - I_j)^2}$$
$$d_{\text{spatial}} = \sqrt{(x_i - x_j)^2 + (y_i - y_j)^2 + (z_i - z_j)^2}$$
$$D = \sqrt{\left(\frac{d_{\text{intensity}}}{m}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{d_{\text{spatial}}}{S}\right)^2}$$

Compactness has the same meaning as in the 2-D superpixels function: It determines the relative importance of the intensity distance and the spatial distance in the overall distance metric. A lower value makes the superpixels adhere to boundaries better, making them irregularly shaped. A higher value makes the superpixels more regularly shaped. The allowable range for compactness is (0 Inf) , as in the 2-D function. The typical range has been found through experimentation to be $[0.01 \ 0.1]$. The dynamic range of input images is normalized within the algorithm to be from 0 to 1. This enables a consistent meaning of compactness values across images.

See Also

[boundarymask](#) | [imoverlay](#) | [label2idx](#) | [label2rgb](#) | [superpixels](#)

Introduced in R2016b

tformarray

Apply spatial transformation to N-D array

Syntax

```
B = tformarray(A,T,R,tdims_A,tdims_B,tsize_B,tmap_B,F)
```

Description

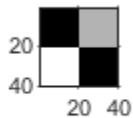
`B = tformarray(A,T,R,tdims_A,tdims_B,tsize_B,tmap_B,F)` applies a spatial transformation to array `A` to produce array `B`.

Examples

Transform Checkerboard Image

Create a 2-by-2 square checkerboard image where each square is 20 pixels wide. Display the image.

```
I = checkerboard(20,1,1);  
figure  
imshow(I)
```



Transform the checkerboard with a projective transformation. First create a spatial transformation structure.

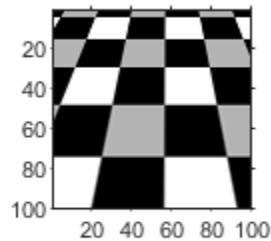

```
T = maketform('projective',[1 1; 41 1; 41 41; 1 41],...
              [5 5; 40 5; 35 30; -10 30]);
```

Create a resampler. Use the pad method 'circular' when creating the resampler, so that the output appears to be a perspective view of an infinite checkerboard.

```
R = makesampler('cubic','circular');
```

Perform the transformation, specifying the transformation structure and the resampler. For this example, swap the output dimensions, and specify a 100-by-100 output image. Leave argument `tmap_B` empty since you specify argument `tsize_B`. Leave argument `F` empty since the fill value is not needed.

```
J = tformarray(I,T,R,[1 2],[2 1],[100 100],[],[]);
figure
imshow(J)
```



Transform Checkerboard Image, with Nonuniform Mapping from Input to Output Space

Create a 2-by-2 square checkerboard image where each square is 20 pixels wide. Display the image.

```
I = checkerboard(20,1,1);
figure
imshow(I)
```



Transform the checkerboard with a projective transformation. First create a spatial transformation structure.

```
T = maketform('projective',[1 1; 41 1; 41 41; 1 41],...  
              [5 5; 40 5; 35 30; -10 30]);
```

Create a resampler. Use the pad method 'circular' when creating the resampler, so that the output appears to be a perspective view of an infinite checkerboard.

```
R = makesampler('cubic','circular');
```

Create arrays that specify the mapping of points from input space to output space. This example uses anisotropic sampling, where the distance between samples is larger in one direction than the other.

```
samp_x = 1:1.5:150;  
samp_y = 1:100;  
[x,y] = meshgrid(samp_x,samp_y);  
tmap = cat(3,x,y);  
size(tmap)
```

```
ans = 1x3
```

```
100 100 2
```

Note the size of `tmap`. The output image will have dimensions 100-by-100.

Perform the transformation, specifying the transformation structure and the resampler. Specify the output map as `tmap`. Leave argument `tsize_B` empty, since you specify argument `tmap_B`. The fill value does not matter since the resampler is circular.

```
J = tformarray(I,T,R,[1 2],[1 2],[],tmap,[]);  
figure  
imshow(J)
```



The length of checkerboard squares is larger in the y -direction than in the x -direction, which agrees with the larger sampling distance between points in the vector `samp_x`. Compared to the result using isotropic point mapping (see example “Transform Checkerboard Image” on page 1-2874), three additional columns of the checkerboard appear at the right of the transformed image, and no new rows are added to the transformed image.

Input Arguments

A — Input image

nonsparse numeric array

Input image, specified as a nonsparse numeric array. `A` can be real or complex.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `logical`

T — Spatial transformation

TFORM spatial transformation structure

Spatial transformation, specified as a TFORM spatial transformation structure. You typically use the `maketform` function to create a TFORM structure.

`tformarray` uses `T` and the function `tforminv` to compute the corresponding location in the input transform subscript space for each location in the output transform subscript space. `tformarray` defines the input transform space by `tdims_B` and `tsize_B` and the output transform subscript space by `tdims_A` and `size(A)`.

If `T` is empty, then `tformarray` operates as a direct resampling function. Further, if `tmap_B` is:

- Not empty, then `tformarray` applies the resampler defined in `R` to compute values at each transform space location defined in `tmap_B`
- Empty, then `tformarray` applies the resampler at each location in the output transform subscript grid

Data Types: `struct`

R — Resampler

structure

Resampler, specified as a structure. A resampler structure defines how to interpolate values of the input array at specified locations. `R` is created with `makeresampler`, which allows fine control over how to interpolate along each dimension. `makeresampler` also controls what input array values to use when interpolating close to the edge of the array.

Data Types: `struct`

tdims_A — Input transform dimensions

row vector of finite, positive integers

Input transform dimensions, specified as a row vector of finite, positive integers.

`tdims_A` and `tdims_B` indicate which dimensions of the input and output arrays are involved in the spatial transformation. Each element must be unique. The entries need not be listed in increasing order, but the order matters. The order specifies the precise correspondence between dimensions of arrays `A` and `B` and the input and output spaces of the transformation `T`.

`length(tdims_A)` must equal `T.ndims_in`, and `length(tdims_B)` must equal `T.ndims_out`.

For example, if `T` is a 2-D transformation, `tdims_A = [2 1]`, and `tdims_B = [1 2]`, then the row and column dimensions of `A` correspond to the second and first transformation input-space dimensions, respectively. The row and column dimensions of `B` correspond to the first and second output-space dimensions, respectively.

Data Types: `double`

tdims_B — Output transform dimensions

row vector of finite, positive integers

Output transform dimensions, specified as a row vector of finite, positive integers. For more information, see `tdims_A`.

Data Types: `double`

tsize_B — Size of output array in the transform dimensions

row vector of finite, positive integers

Size of the output array transform dimensions, specified as a row vector of finite, positive integers. The size of B along nontransform dimensions is taken directly from the size of A along those dimensions.

For example, if T is a 2-D transformation, `size(A) = [480 640 3 10]`, `tdims_B` is `[2 1]`, and `tsize_B` is `[300 200]`, then `size(B)` is `[200 300 3 10]`.

Data Types: `double`

tmap_B — Point locations in output space

nonsparse, finite, real-valued array

Point locations in output space, specified as a nonsparse, finite real-valued array. `tmap_B` is an optional argument that provides an alternative way of specifying the correspondence between the position of elements of B and the location in output transform space. `tmap_B` can be used, for example, to compute the result of an image warp at a set of arbitrary locations in output space.

If `tmap_B` is not empty, then the size of `tmap_B` is

$$[D_1 \ D_2 \ D_3 \ \dots \ D_N \ L]$$

where N equals `length(tdims_B)`. `tsize_B` should be `[]`.

The value of L depends on whether T is empty. If T is:

- Not empty, then L is `T.ndims_out`, and each L-dimension point in `tmap_B` is transformed to an input-space location using T
- Empty, then L is `length(tdims_A)`, and each L-dimensional point in `tmap_B` is used directly as a location in input space.

Data Types: `double`

F — Fill values

numeric array or scalar

Fill values, specified as a numeric array or scalar. The fill values in `F` can be used in three situations:

- When a separable resampler is created with `makeresampler` and its `padmethod` is set to either `'fill'` or `'bound'`.
- When a custom resampler is used that supports the `'fill'` or `'bound'` pad methods (with behavior that is specific to the customization).
- When the map from the transform dimensions of `B` to the transform dimensions of `A` is deliberately undefined for some points. Such points are encoded in the input transform space by NaNs in either `tmap_B` or in the output of `tforminv`.

In the first two cases, fill values are used to compute values for output locations that map outside or near the edges of the input array. Fill values are copied into `B` when output locations map well outside the input array. See `makeresampler` for more information about `'fill'` and `'bound'`.

When `F` is:

- A scalar (including NaN), its value is replicated across all the nontransform dimensions.
- Nonscalar, its size depends on `size(A)` in the nontransform dimensions. Specifically, if `K` is the `J`th nontransform dimension of `A`, then `size(F,J)` must be either `size(A,K)` or 1. As a convenience, `tformarray` replicates `F` across any dimensions with unit size such that after the replication `size(F,J)` equals `size(A,K)`.

For example, suppose `A` represents 10 RGB images and has size 200-by-200-by-3-by-10, `T` is a 2-D transformation, and `tdims_A` and `tdims_B` are both `[1 2]`. In other words, `tformarray` applies the same 2-D transform to each color plane of each of the 10 RGB images. In this situation you have several options for `F`:

- `F` can be a scalar, in which case the same fill value is used for each color plane of all 10 images.
- `F` can be a 3-by-1 vector, `[R G B]'`. `tformarray` uses the RGB value as the fill value for the corresponding color planes of each of the 10 images.
- `F` can be a 1-by-10 vector. `tformarray` uses a different fill value for each of 10 images, with that fill value being used for all three color planes.
- `F` can be a 3-by-10 matrix. `tformarray` uses a different RGB fill color for each of the 10 images.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

B — Transformed image

numeric array

Transformed image, returned as a numeric array.

See Also

`findbounds` | `imtransform` | `makeresampler` | `maketform`

Introduced before R2006a

tformfwd

Apply forward spatial transformation

Syntax

```
[X,Y] = tformfwd(T,U,V)
[X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out] = tformfwd(T,U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in)
X = tformfwd(T,U)
[X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out] = tformfwd(T,U)
X = tformfwd(T,U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in)
```

Description

`[X,Y] = tformfwd(T,U,V)` applies the 2D-to-2D forward spatial transformation defined in `T` to coordinate arrays `U` and `V`, mapping the point $[U(k) \ V(k)]$ to the point $[X(k) \ Y(k)]$.

Both `T.ndims_in` and `T.ndims_out` must equal 2. `U` and `V` are typically column vectors, but they can have any dimensionality. `X` and `Y` are the same size as `U` and `V`.

`[X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out] = tformfwd(T,U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in)` applies the `ndims_in`-to-`ndims_out` spatial transformation defined in `T` to the coordinate arrays `U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in`. The transformation maps the point $[U1(k) \ U2(k) \ \dots \ U_ndims_in(k)]$ to the point $[X1(k) \ X2(k) \ \dots \ X_ndims_out(k)]$.

The number of input coordinate arrays, `ndims_in`, must equal `T.ndims_in`. The number of output coordinate arrays, `ndims_out`, must equal `T.ndims_out`. The arrays `U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in` can have any dimensionality, but must be the same size. The output arrays `X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out` must be this size also.

`X = tformfwd(T,U)` applies the spatial transformation defined in `T` to coordinate array `U`.

- When `U` is a 2-D matrix with dimensions `m-by-ndims_in`, `X` is a 2-D matrix with dimensions `m-by-ndims_out`. `tformfwd` applies the `ndims_in`-to-`ndims_out` transformation to each row of `U`. `tformfwd` maps the point $U(k, :)$ to the point $X(k, :)$.

- When U is an $(N+1)$ -dimensional array, `tformfwd` maps the point $U(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N, :)$ to the point $X(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N, :)$.

`size(U,N+1)` must equal `ndims_in`. X is an $(N+1)$ -dimensional array, with `size(X,I)` equal to `size(U,I)` for $I = 1, \dots, N$, and `size(X,N+1)` equal to `ndims_out`.

The syntax `X = tformfwd(U,T)` is an older form of this syntax that remains supported for backward compatibility.

`[X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out] = tformfwd(T,U)` maps one $(N+1)$ -dimensional array to `ndims_out` equally sized N -dimensional arrays.

`X = tformfwd(T,U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in)` maps `ndims_in` N -dimensional arrays to one $(N+1)$ -dimensional array.

Examples

Create an Affine Transformation and Validate It with Forward Mapping

Create an affine transformation that maps the triangle with vertices $(0,0)$, $(6,3)$, $(-2,5)$ to the triangle with vertices $(-1,-1)$, $(0,-10)$, $(4,4)$.

```
u = [ 0  6 -2]';
v = [ 0  3  5]';
x = [-1  0  4]';
y = [-1 -10  4]';
tform = maketform('affine',[u v],[x y]);
```

Validate the mapping by applying `tformfwd`. The results should equal `x` and `y`.

```
[xm, ym] = tformfwd(tform, u, v)
```

```
xm = 3×1
```

```
    -1
     0
     4
```

```
ym = 3×1
```

-1
-10
4

Input Arguments

T — Spatial transformation

TFORM spatial transformation structure

Spatial transformation, specified as a TFORM spatial transformation structure. Create T using `maketform`, `fliptform`, or `cp2tform`.

Data Types: `struct`

U — Input coordinate points

numeric array

Input coordinate points, specified as a numeric array. The size and dimensionality of U can have additional limitations depending on the syntax used.

Data Types: `double`

V — Input coordinate points

numeric array

Input coordinate points, specified as a numeric array. V must be the same size as U.

Data Types: `double`

U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in — Input coordinate points

multiple numeric arrays

Input coordinate points, specified as multiple numeric arrays. The size and dimensionality of U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in can have additional limitations depending on the syntax used.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

X — Coordinate array of output points

numeric array

Coordinate array of output points, returned as a numeric array. The size and dimensionality of X can have additional limitations depending on the syntax used.

Y — Coordinate array of output points

numeric array

Coordinate array of output points, returned as a numeric array. Y is the same size as V.

X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out — Coordinates of output points

multiple numeric arrays

Coordinates of output points, returned as multiple numeric arrays. The size and dimensionality of X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out can have additional limitations depending on the syntax used.

See Also

[cp2tform](#) | [fliptform](#) | [maketform](#) | [tforminv](#)

Introduced before R2006a

tforminv

Apply inverse spatial transformation

Syntax

```
[U,V] = tforminv(T,X,Y)
[U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in] = tforminv(T,X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out)
U = tforminv(T,X)
[U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in] = tforminv(T,X)
U = tforminv(T,X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out)
```

Description

`[U,V] = tforminv(T,X,Y)` applies the 2D-to-2D inverse spatial transformation defined in `T` to coordinate arrays `X` and `Y`, mapping the point $[X(k) \ Y(k)]$ to the point $[U(k) \ V(k)]$.

Both `T.ndims_in` and `T.ndims_out` must equal 2. `X` and `Y` are typically column vectors, but they can have any dimensionality. `U` and `V` are the same size as `X` and `Y`.

`[U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in] = tforminv(T,X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out)` applies the `ndims_out`-to-`ndims_in` inverse transformation defined in `T` to the coordinate arrays `X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out`. The transformation maps the point $[X1(k) \ X2(k) \ \dots \ X_ndims_out(k)]$ to the point $[U1(k) \ U2(k) \ \dots \ U_ndims_in(k)]$.

The number of input coordinate arrays, `ndims_out`, must equal `T.ndims_out`. The number of output coordinate arrays, `ndims_in`, must equal `T.ndims_in`. The arrays `X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out` can have any dimensionality, but must be the same size. The output arrays `U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in` must be this size also.

`U = tforminv(T,X)` applies the `ndims_out`-to-`ndims_in` inverse transformation defined in `T` to array `X`.

- When `X` is a 2-D matrix with dimensions `m`-by-`ndims_out` matrix, `U` is a 2-D matrix with dimensions `m`-by-`ndims_in`. `tforminv` applies the transformation to each row of `X`. `tforminv` maps the point $X(k, :)$ to the point $U(k, :)$.

- When X is an $(N+1)$ -dimensional array, `tforminv` maps the point $X(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N, :)$ to the point $U(k_1, k_2, \dots, k_N, :)$.

`size(X,N+1)` must equal `ndims_out`. U is an $(N+1)$ -dimensional array, with `size(U,I)` equal to `size(X,I)` for $I = 1, \dots, N$, and `size(U,N+1)` equal to `ndims_in`.

The syntax `U = tforminv(X,T)` is an older form of this syntax that remains supported for backward compatibility.

`[U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in] = tforminv(T,X)` maps one $(N+1)$ -dimensional array to `ndims_in` equally sized N -dimensional arrays.

`U = tforminv(T,X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out)` maps `ndims_out` N -dimensional arrays to one $(N+1)$ -dimensional array.

Examples

Create an Affine Transformation and Validate It with Inverse Mapping

Create an affine transformation that maps the triangle with vertices $(0,0)$, $(6,3)$, $(-2,5)$ to the triangle with vertices $(-1,-1)$, $(0,-10)$, $(4,4)$.

```
u = [ 0  6 -2]';
v = [ 0  3  5]';
x = [-1  0  4]';
y = [-1 -10  4]';
tform = maketform('affine',[u v],[x y]);
```

Validate the mapping by applying `tforminv`. The results should equal `u` and `v`.

```
[um, vm] = tforminv(tform, x, y)
```

```
um = 3×1
```

```
    0
  6.0000
 -2.0000
```

```
vm = 3×1
```

```
    0
  3.0000
  5.0000
```

Input Arguments

T — Spatial transformation

TFORM spatial transformation structure

Spatial transformation, specified as a TFORM spatial transformation structure. Create T using `maketform`, `fliptform`, or `cp2tform`.

Data Types: `struct`

X — Input coordinate points

numeric array

Input coordinate points, specified as a numeric array. The size and dimensionality of X can have additional limitations depending on the syntax used.

Data Types: `double`

Y — Input coordinate points

numeric array

Input coordinate points, specified as a numeric array. Y must be the same size as X.

Data Types: `double`

X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out — Input coordinate points

multiple numeric arrays

Input coordinate points, specified as multiple numeric arrays. The size and dimensionality of X1,X2,...,X_ndims_out can have additional limitations depending on the syntax used.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

U — Coordinate array of output points

numeric array

Coordinate array of output points, returned as a numeric array. The size and dimensionality of U can have additional limitations depending on the syntax used.

V — Coordinate array of output points

numeric array

Coordinate array of output points, returned as a numeric array. V is the same size as Y.

U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in — Coordinates of output points

multiple numeric arrays

Coordinates of output points, returned as multiple arrays. The size and dimensionality of U1,U2,...,U_ndims_in can have additional limitations depending on the syntax used.

See Also

[cp2tform](#) | [fliptform](#) | [maketform](#) | [tformfwd](#)

Introduced before R2006a

tonemap

Render high dynamic range image for viewing

Syntax

```
RGB = tonemap(HDR)
RGB = tonemap(HDR,Name,Value)
```

Description

`RGB = tonemap(HDR)` converts the high dynamic range image `HDR` to a lower dynamic range image, `RGB`, suitable for display, using a process called tone mapping. Tone mapping is a technique used to approximate the appearance of high dynamic range images on a display with a more limited dynamic range.

`RGB = tonemap(HDR,Name,Value)` uses name-value pairs to control various aspects of the tone mapping.

Examples

Display High Dynamic Range Image

This example shows how to display a high dynamic range (HDR) image. To view an HDR image, you must first convert the data to a dynamic range that can be displayed correctly on a computer.

Read a high dynamic range (HDR) image, using `hdrread`. If you try to display the HDR image, notice that it does not display correctly.

```
hdr_image = hdrread('office.hdr');
imshow(hdr_image)
```




Convert the HDR image to a dynamic range that can be viewed on a computer, using the `tonemap` function. This function converts the HDR image into an RGB image of class `uint8`.

```
rgb = tonemap(hdr_image);  
whos
```

Name	Size	Bytes	Class	Attributes
hdr_image	665x1000x3	7980000	single	
rgb	665x1000x3	1995000	uint8	

Display the RGB image.

```
imshow(rgb)
```



Input Arguments

HDR — High dynamic range image

m-by-n-by-3 array

High dynamic range image, specified as an *m-by-n-by-3* array.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes.

You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1,Value1,...,NameN,ValueN`.

Example: `RGB = tonemap(HDR,'AdjustLightness',[0.05 0.95]);`

AdjustLightness — Overall lightness of the rendered image

2-element vector

Overall lightness of the rendered image, specified as a two-element vector. The vector takes the form `[low high]`, where `low` and `high` are luminance values of the low dynamic range image, in the range (0, 1]. These values are passed to `imadjust`.

Data Types: `double`

AdjustSaturation — Saturation of colors in the rendered image

1 (default) | positive scalar

Saturation of colors in the rendered image, specified as a positive scalar. When the value is greater than 1, the colors are more saturated. When the value is in the range (0, 1], colors are less saturated.

Data Types: `double`

NumberOfTiles — Number of tiles used during adaptive histogram equalization

[4 4] (default) | 2-element vector of positive integers

Number of tiles used during the adaptive histogram equalization part of the tone mapping operation, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers. The vector takes the form `[rows cols]`, where `rows` and `cols` specify the number of rows and columns of tiles. Both `rows` and `cols` must be at least 2. The total number of image tiles is equal to `rows*cols`. A larger number of tiles results in an image with greater local contrast.

Data Types: `double`

Output Arguments

RGB — Low dynamic range image

m-by-*n*-by-3 array

Low dynamic range image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array.

Data Types: `uint8`

See Also

`adapthisteq` | `hdrread` | `makehdr` | `stretchlim` | `tonemapfarbman`

Introduced in R2007b

tonemapfarbman

Convert HDR image to LDR using edge-preserving multiscale decompositions

Syntax

```
LDR = tonemapfarbman(HDR)
LDR = tonemapfarbman(HDR, Name, Value)
```

Description

`LDR = tonemapfarbman(HDR)` converts the high dynamic range (HDR) image to a low dynamic range (LDR) image, suitable for display, using a process called edge-preserving decompositions for multiscale tone and detail manipulation.

`LDR = tonemapfarbman(HDR, Name, Value)` uses one or more name-value pairs to control various aspects of the tone mapping.

Examples

Compress Dynamic Range of HDR Image Using Edge-Preserving Multiscale Decompositions

Load a high dynamic range (HDR) image into the workspace. Convert the HDR image to a low dynamic range (LDR) image using the basic tone mapping function `tonemap`. Display the result.

```
HDR = hdrread('office.hdr');
LDR = tonemap(HDR);
imshow(LDR)
```



The LDR image is displayed with an acceptable dynamic range, but colors are muted.

Convert the HDR image to an LDR image using edge-preserving multiscale decompositions. Display the result.

```
RGB = tonemapfarbman(HDR);  
imshow(RGB)
```



Colors appear more saturated, but the image is bright and has poor contrast. This brightness and contrast indicate that the default value of 'Exposure' is too large. The poor contrast is especially evident in the shadow of the tree.

Repeat the conversion with a lower value of 'Exposure' to darken the image. Display the result.

```
RGB2 = tonemapfarbman(HDR, 'Exposure', 1.5);  
imshow(RGB2)
```



The image contrast is improved. Also, the image shows a decrease in the clipping of pixel values in bright regions, such as the sky, road, and monitor.

Input Arguments

HDR — High dynamic range image

m-by-*n* matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array

High dynamic range image, specified as an *m*-by-*n* matrix or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `LDR = tonemapFarbman(HDR, 'Saturation', 2.1);`

RangeCompression — Range compression

0.3 (default) | number in the range [0, 1]

Range compression, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'RangeCompression' and a number in the range [0, 1]. A value of 1 represents maximum compression and a value of 0 represents minimum compression.

Saturation — Saturation

1.6 (default) | nonnegative number

Saturation, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Saturation' and a nonnegative number. The recommended range for 'Saturation' is [0, 5]. As the saturation value increases, colors become more rich and intense. As the saturation value decreases, colors fade away to gray. The 'Saturation' argument does not affect grayscale HDR images.

Exposure — Exposure

3 (default) | positive number

Exposure, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Exposure' and a positive number. The recommended range for 'Exposure' is (0, 5]. As this value decreases, the exposure length decreases, so the image darkens. As this value increases, the exposure length increases, so the image brightens.

NumberOfScales — Number of scales

3 (default) | positive integer

Number of scales, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'NumberOfScales' and a positive integer. The recommended range for 'NumberOfScales' is [1, 5]. The default number of scales is `length(Weights)` when you specify 'Weights'. Otherwise, the default number of scales is 3.

Weights — Weights of detail layers

[1.5 1.5 1.5] (default) | *n*-element vector of positive numbers

Weights of detail layers, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'Weights' and an n -element vector of positive numbers, where n is the number of scales specified by 'NumberOfScales'. The recommended range of each element in `Weights` is (0, 3]. The default value of 'Weights' is an n -element numeric vector with all elements set to 1.5. For `Weights` <1, the amount of detail in the output image decreases and `Weights` >1, the amount of detail in the output image increases.

Output Arguments

LDR — Low dynamic range image

numeric array

Low dynamic range image, specified as a numeric array of the same size as HDR.

Data Types: `uint8`

Tips

- This function uses an anisotropic diffusion filter, `imdifusefilt`, for the approximation of the weighted least squares filter, as proposed by Farbman et al. [1]

References

- [1] Farbman, Z., R. Fattal, D. Lischinski, and R. Szeliski. "Edge-Preserving Decompositions for Multi-Scale Tone and Detail Manipulation." *ACM Transactions on Graphics*. Vol. 27, Number 3, August 2008, pp. 1-10.

See Also

`hdrread` | `imdifusefilt` | `locallapfilt` | `localtonemap` | `makehdr` | `tonemap`

Introduced in R2018b

transformPointsForward

Apply forward geometric transformation

Syntax

```
[x,y] = transformPointsForward(tform,u,v)
[x,y,z] = transformPointsForward(tform,u,v,w)
X = transformPointsForward(tform,U)
```

Description

`[x,y] = transformPointsForward(tform,u,v)` applies the forward transformation of 2-D geometric transformation `tform` to the points specified by coordinates `u` and `v`.

`[x,y,z] = transformPointsForward(tform,u,v,w)` applies the forward transformation of 3-D geometric transformation `tform` to the points specified by coordinates `u`, `v`, and `w`.

`X = transformPointsForward(tform,U)` applies the forward transformation of `tform` to the input coordinate matrix `U` and returns the coordinate matrix `X`. `transformPointsForward` maps the k th point `U(k,:)` to the point `X(k,:)`.

Examples

Apply Forward Transformation of 2-D Geometric Transformation

Create an `affine2d` object that defines the transformation.

```
theta = 10;
```

```
tform = affine2d([cosd(theta) -sind(theta) 0; sind(theta) cosd(theta) 0; 0 0 1])
```

```
tform =
```

affine2d with properties:

```
T: [3x3 double]
Dimensionality: 2
```

Apply forward geometric transformation to an input (u,v) point.

```
[X,Y] = transformPointsForward(tform,5,10)
```

X =

```
6.6605
```

Y =

```
8.9798
```

Transform Coordinate Arrays Using Custom 2-D Transformation

Specify the x- and y-coordinates vectors of five points to transform.

```
x = [10 11 15 2 2];
y = [15 32 34 7 10];
```

Define the inverse and forward mapping functions. Both functions accept and return points in packed (x,y) format.

```
inversefn = @(c) [c(:,1).^2,sqrt(c(:,2))];
forwardfn = @(c) [sqrt(c(:,1)),c(:,2).^2];
```

Create a 2-D geometric transform object, `tform`, that stores the inverse mapping function and the optional forward mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform2d(inversefn,forwardfn)
```

tform =

```
geometricTransform2d with properties:
```

```
InverseFcn: @(c)[c(:,1).^2,sqrt(c(:,2))]
ForwardFcn: @(c)[sqrt(c(:,1)),c(:,2).^2]
Dimensionality: 2
```

Apply the inverse geometric transform to the input points.

```
[u,v] = transformPointsInverse(tform,x,y)
```

```
u = 1×5
```

```
    100    121    225     4     4
```

```
v = 1×5
```

```
    3.8730    5.6569    5.8310    2.6458    3.1623
```

Apply the forward geometric transform to the transformed points u and v.

```
[x,y] = transformPointsForward(tform,u,v)
```

```
x = 1×5
```

```
    10    11    15     2     2
```

```
y = 1×5
```

```
    15.0000    32.0000    34.0000     7.0000    10.0000
```

Apply Forward Transformation of 3-D Geometric Transformation

Create an `affine3d` object that defines the transformation.

```
tform = affine3d([3 1 2 0;4 5 8 0;6 2 1 0;0 0 0 1])
```

```
tform =
```

```
    affine3d with properties:
```

```
        T: [4×4 double]
    Dimensionality: 3
```

Apply forward transformation of 3-D geometric transformation to an input (u,v,w) point.

```
[X,Y,Z] = transformPointsForward(tform,2,3,5)
```

```
X =  
    48  
  
Y =  
    27  
  
Z =  
    33
```

Transform Coordinate Arrays Using Custom 3-D Transformation

Specify the x -, y - and the z -coordinate vectors of five points to transform.

```
x = [3 5 7 9 11];  
y = [2 4 6 8 10];  
z = [5 9 13 17 21];
```

Define the inverse and forward mapping functions that accept and return points in packed (x,y,z) format.

```
inverseFcn = @(c)[c(:,1).^2,c(:,2).^2,c(:,3).^2];  
forwardFcn = @(c)[sqrt(c(:,1)),sqrt(c(:,2)),sqrt(c(:,3))];
```

Create a 3-D geometric transformation object, `tform`, that stores these inverse and forward mapping functions.

```
tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn,forwardFcn)  
  
tform =  
    geometricTransform3d with properties:  
  
    InverseFcn: @(c)[c(:,1).^2,c(:,2).^2,c(:,3).^2]  
    ForwardFcn: @(c)[sqrt(c(:,1)),sqrt(c(:,2)),sqrt(c(:,3))]  
    Dimensionality: 3
```

Apply the inverse transformation of this 3-D geometric transformation to the input points.

```
[u,v,w] = transformPointsInverse(tform,x,y,z)
```

$u = 1 \times 5$

9 25 49 81 121

$v = 1 \times 5$

4 16 36 64 100

$w = 1 \times 5$

25 81 169 289 441

Apply the forward geometric transform to the transformed points u , v , and w .

$[x, y, z] = \text{transformPointsForward}(\text{tform}, u, v, w)$

$x = 1 \times 5$

3 5 7 9 11

$y = 1 \times 5$

2 4 6 8 10

$z = 1 \times 5$

5 9 13 17 21

Input Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

geometric transformation object

Geometric transformation, specified as a geometric transformation object.

For 2-D geometric transformations, **tform** is an `affine2d`, `projective2d`, or `geometricTransform2d` geometric transformation object.

For 3-D geometric transformations, `tform` is an `affine3d` object or `geometricTransform3d` geometric transformation object.

u — x-coordinates of points to be transformed

m-by-n or *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array

x-coordinates of points to be transformed, specified as an *m-by-n* or *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array. The number of dimensions of `u` matches the dimensionality of `tform`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

v — y-coordinates of points to be transformed

m-by-n or *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array

y-coordinates of points to be transformed, specified as an *m-by-n* or *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array. The size of `v` must match the size of `u`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

w — z-coordinates of points to be transformed

m-by-n-by-p numeric array

z-coordinates of points to be transformed, specified as an *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array. `w` is used only when `tform` is a 3-D geometric transformation. The size of `w` must match the size of `u`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

U — Coordinates of points to be transformed

l-by-2 or *l-by-3* numeric array

Coordinates of points to be transformed, specified as an *l-by-2* or *l-by-3* numeric array. The number of columns of `U` matches the dimensionality of `tform`.

The first column lists the x-coordinate of each point to transform, and the second column lists the y-coordinate. If `tform` represents a 3-D geometric transformation, `U` has size *l-by-3* and the third column lists the z-coordinate of the points to transform.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

x — x-coordinates of points after transformation

m-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array

x-coordinates of points after transformation, returned as an *m*-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array. The number of dimensions of **x** matches the dimensionality of `transform`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

y — y-coordinates of points after transformation

m-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array

y-coordinates of points after transformation, returned as an *m*-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array. The size of **y** matches the size of **x**.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

z — z-coordinates of points after transformation

m-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array

z-coordinates of points after transformation, returned as an *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array. The size of **z** matches the size of **x**.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

X — Coordinates of points after transformation

numeric array

Coordinates of points after transformation, returned as a numeric array. The size of **X** matches the size of **U**.

The first column lists the x-coordinate of each point after transformation, and the second column lists the y-coordinate. If `transform` represents a 3-D geometric transformation, the third column lists the z-coordinate of the points after transformation.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

See Also

`imwarp` | `transformPointsInverse`

Introduced in R2013a

transformPointsInverse

Package:

Apply inverse geometric transformation

Syntax

```
[u,v] = transformPointsInverse(tform,x,y)
[u,v,w] = transformPointsInverse(tform,x,y,z)
U = transformPointsInverse(tform,X)
```

Description

`[u,v] = transformPointsInverse(tform,x,y)` applies the inverse transformation of 2-D geometric transformation `tform` to the points specified by coordinates `x` and `y`.

`[u,v,w] = transformPointsInverse(tform,x,y,z)` applies the inverse transformation of 3-D geometric transformation `tform` to the points specified by coordinates `x`, `y`, and `z`.

`U = transformPointsInverse(tform,X)` applies the inverse transformation of `tform` to the input coordinate matrix `X` and returns the coordinate matrix `U`. `transformPointsInverse` maps the k th point $X(k,:)$ to the point $U(k,:)$.

Examples

Apply Inverse Transformation of 2-D Geometric Transformation

Create an `affine2d` object that defines the transformation.

```
theta = 10;
```

```
tform = affine2d([cosd(theta) -sind(theta) 0; sind(theta) cosd(theta) 0; 0 0 1])
```

```
tform =
```

```
    affine2d with properties:
```

```
        T: [3x3 double]  
    Dimensionality: 2
```

Apply forward transformation of 2-D geometric transformation to an input point.

```
[X,Y] = transformPointsForward(tform,5,10)
```

```
X =
```

```
    6.6605
```

```
Y =
```

```
    8.9798
```

Apply inverse transformation of 2-D geometric transformation to output point from the previous step to recover the original coordinates.

```
[U,V] = transformPointsInverse(tform,X,Y)
```

```
U =
```

```
    5.0000
```

```
V =
```

```
    10
```

Transform Packed Coordinates Using Custom 2-D Transformation

Specify the packed (x,y) coordinates of five input points. The packed coordinates are stored in a 5-by-2 matrix, where the x-coordinate of each point is in the first column, and the y-coordinate of each point is in the second column.

```
XY = [10 15;11 32;15 34;2 7;2 10];
```

Define the inverse mapping function. The function accepts and returns points in packed (x,y) format.

```
inversefn = @(c) [c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2)]
```

```
inversefn = function_handle with value:  
    @(c)[c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2)]
```

Create a 2-D geometric transform object, `tform`, that stores the inverse mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform2d(inversefn)
```

```
tform =  
    geometricTransform2d with properties:  
        InverseFcn: @(c)[c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2)]  
        ForwardFcn: []  
        Dimensionality: 2
```

Apply the inverse geometric transform to the input points.

```
UV = transformPointsInverse(tform,XY)
```

```
UV = 5×2
```

```
    25    -5  
    43   -21  
    49   -19  
     9    -5  
    12    -8
```

Apply Inverse Transformation of 3-D Geometric Transformation

Create an `affine3d` object that defines the transformation.

```
tform = affine3d([3 1 2 0;4 5 8 0;6 2 1 0;0 0 0 1])
```

```
tform =  
    affine3d with properties:
```

```
T: [4x4 double]
Dimensionality: 3
```

Apply forward transformation of 3-D geometric transformation to an input point.

```
[X,Y,Z] = transformPointsForward(tform,2,3,5)
```

```
X =
```

```
48
```

```
Y =
```

```
27
```

```
Z =
```

```
33
```

Apply inverse transformation of 3-D geometric transformation to output point from the previous step to recover the original coordinates.

```
[U,V,W] = transformPointsInverse(tform,X,Y,Z)
```

```
U =
```

```
2.0000
```

```
V =
```

```
3
```

```
W =
```

```
5.0000
```

Transform Packed Coordinates Using Custom 3-D Transformation

Specify the packed (x,y,z) coordinates of five input points. The packed coordinates are stored as a 5-by-3 matrix, where the first, second, and third columns contain the x -, y -, and z - coordinates, respectively.

```
XYZ = [5 25 20;10 5 25;15 10 5;20 15 10;25 20 15];
```

Define an inverse mapping function that accepts and returns points in packed (x,y,z) format.

```
inverseFcn = @(c) [c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2),c(:,3).^2];
```

Create a 3-D geometric transformation object, `tform`, that stores this inverse mapping function.

```
tform = geometricTransform3d(inverseFcn)
```

```
tform =
    geometricTransform3d with properties:
        InverseFcn: @(c)[c(:,1)+c(:,2),c(:,1)-c(:,2),c(:,3).^2]
        ForwardFcn: []
        Dimensionality: 3
```

Apply the inverse transformation of this 3-D geometric transformation to the input points.

```
UVW = transformPointsInverse(tform,XYZ)
```

```
UVW = 5x3
```

```
    30    -20    400
    15     5    625
    25     5     25
    35     5    100
    45     5    225
```

Input Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

geometric transformation object

Geometric transformation, specified as a geometric transformation object.

For 2-D geometric transformations, `tform` is an `affine2d`, `projective2d`, `geometricTransform2d`, `LocalWeightedMeanTransformation2D`, `PiecewiseLinearTransformation2D`, or `PolynomialTransformation2D` geometric transformation object.

For 3-D geometric transformations, `tform` is an `affine3d` object or `geometricTransform3d` geometric transformation object.

x — x-coordinates of points to be transformed

m-by-n or *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array

x-coordinates of points to be transformed, specified as an *m-by-n* or *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array. The number of dimensions of `x` matches the dimensionality of `tform`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

y — y-coordinates of points to be transformed

m-by-n or *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array

y-coordinates of points to be transformed, specified as an *m-by-n* or *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array. The size of `y` must match the size of `x`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

z — z-coordinates of points to be transformed

m-by-n-by-p numeric array

z-coordinates of points to be transformed, specified as an *m-by-n-by-p* numeric array. `z` is used only when `tform` is a 3-D geometric transformation. The size of `z` must match the size of `x`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

X — Coordinates of points to be transformed

l-by-2 or *l-by-3* numeric array

Coordinates of points to be transformed, specified as an *l-by-2* or *l-by-3* numeric array. The number of columns of `X` matches the dimensionality of `tform`.

The first column lists the x-coordinate of each point to transform, and the second column lists the y-coordinate. If `tform` represents a 3-D geometric transformation, `X` has size *l-by-3* and the third column lists the z-coordinate of the points to transform.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

u — x-coordinates of points after transformation

m-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array

x-coordinates of points after transformation, returned as an *m*-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array. The number of dimensions of **u** matches the dimensionality of `tform`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

v — y-coordinates of points after transformation

m-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array

y-coordinates of points after transformation, returned as an *m*-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array. The size of **v** matches the size of **u**.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

w — z-coordinates of points after transformation

m-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array

z-coordinates of points after transformation, returned as an *m*-by-*n*-by-*p* numeric array. The size of **w** matches the size of **u**.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

U — Coordinates of points after transformation

numeric array

Coordinates of points after transformation, returned as a numeric array. The size of **U** matches the size of **X**.

The first column lists the x-coordinate of each point after transformation, and the second column lists the y-coordinate. If `tform` represents a 3-D geometric transformation, the third column lists the z-coordinate of the points after transformation.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

See Also

`imwarp` | `transformPointsForward`

Introduced in R2013a

translate

Translate structuring element

Syntax

```
SE2 = translate(SE,v)
```

Description

`SE2 = translate(SE,v)` translates the structuring element `SE` in N-D space. `v` is an N-element vector containing the offsets of the desired translation in each dimension.

Examples

Translate Structuring Element

Read an image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('cameraman.tif');
```

Create a structuring element and translate it down and to the right by 25 pixels.

```
se = translate(strel(1), [25 25]);
```

Dilate the image using the translated structuring element.

```
J = imdilate(I,se);
```

Display the original image and the translated image.

```
figure  
imshow(I), title('Original')
```

Original



```
figure  
imshow(J), title('Translated');
```

Translated



Translate Offset Structuring Element

Create an offset structuring element.

```
SE = offsetstrel('ball', 5, 6.5)
```

```
SE =
```

offsetstrel is a ball shaped offset structuring element with properties:

```
    Offset: [11x11 double]  
 Dimensionality: 2
```

```
SE.Offset
```

```
ans = 11x11
```

```

-Inf      -Inf      0      0.8123    1.6246    2.4369    1.6246    0.8123
-Inf      0.8123    1.6246    2.4369    3.2492    3.2492    3.2492    2.4369    1.0
0      1.6246    2.4369    3.2492    4.0615    4.0615    4.0615    3.2492    2.4
0.8123    2.4369    3.2492    4.0615    4.8738    4.8738    4.8738    4.0615    3.2
1.6246    3.2492    4.0615    4.8738    5.6861    5.6861    5.6861    4.8738    4.0
2.4369    3.2492    4.0615    4.8738    5.6861    6.4984    5.6861    4.8738    4.0
1.6246    3.2492    4.0615    4.8738    5.6861    5.6861    5.6861    4.8738    4.0
0.8123    2.4369    3.2492    4.0615    4.8738    4.8738    4.8738    4.0615    3.2
0      1.6246    2.4369    3.2492    4.0615    4.0615    4.0615    3.2492    2.4
-Inf      0.8123    1.6246    2.4369    3.2492    3.2492    3.2492    2.4369    1.0
:

```

Translate the structuring element.

```

V = [2 2];
SE2 = translate(SE,V)

```

```

SE2 =
offsetstrel is a ball shaped offset structuring element with properties:

```

```

    Offset: [15x15 double]
Dimensionality: 2

```

SE2.Offset

```

ans = 15x15

```

```

-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      0      0.8123    1.0
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      0.8123    1.6246    2.4369    3.2492
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      0      1.6246    2.4369    3.2492    4.0615
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      0.8123    2.4369    3.2492    4.0615    4.8738
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      1.6246    3.2492    4.0615    4.8738    5.6861
-Inf      -Inf      -Inf      -Inf      2.4369    3.2492    4.0615    4.8738    5.6861
:

```

Input Arguments

SE — Structuring element

`strel` or `offsetstrel` object

Structuring element, specified as a `strel` or `offsetstrel` object.

v — Translation offsets

numeric vector

Translation offsets, specified as a numeric vector. Each element specifies the amount of desired translation in the corresponding dimension.

Output Arguments

SE2 — Translated structuring element

`strel` or `offsetstrel` object

Translated structuring elements, returned as a `strel` or `offsetstrel` object.

See Also

`reflect`

Introduced before R2006a

truesize

Adjust display size of image

Syntax

```
truesize(fig,[mrows ncols])  
truesize(fig)
```

Description

`truesize(fig,[mrows ncols])` adjusts the display size of an image in a figure, `fig`, to the dimensions `[mrows ncols]`, in pixels.

`truesize(fig)` adjusts the display size such that each image pixel covers one screen pixel.

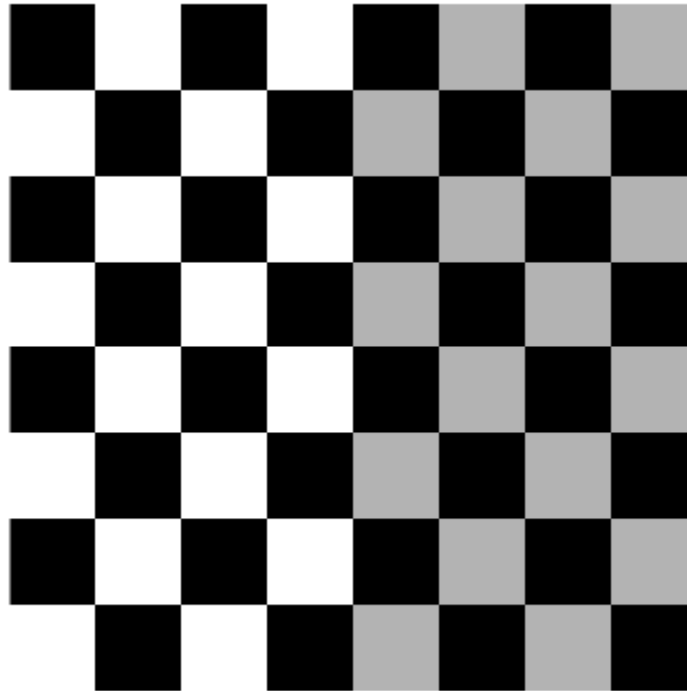
If you do not specify a figure, `truesize` adjusts the display size of the current figure.

Examples

Adjust Display Size of Image

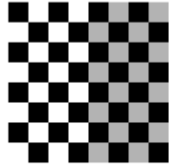
Create a default checkerboard image, which has size 80-by-80 pixels. Display the checkerboard image to fill the full size of the figure window. The image is magnified to fill the window.

```
c = checkerboard;  
imshow(c,'InitialMagnification','fit')
```

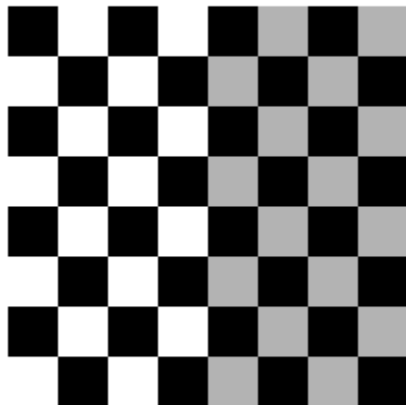
Display the checkerboard image so that each image pixel covers one screen pixel.

truesize



You can adjust the size of the figure window to arbitrary dimension. The image scales to fit within the figure window.

```
truesize([300 200]);
```



Input Arguments

fig — Figure

gcf (default) | figure handle

Figure containing a single image or a single image with a colorbar, specified as a figure handle. By default, `truesize` uses the current figure, with handle `gcf`.

[mrows ncols] — Screen dimensions

2-element numeric row vector

Screen dimensions (in pixels) that the image should occupy, specified as a 2-element numeric row vector. By default, `[mrows ncols]` is equal to the image size, so each image pixel covers one screen pixel.

See Also

`imshow` | `iptgetpref` | `iptsetpref`

Introduced before R2006a

visboundaries

Plot region boundaries

Syntax

```
visboundaries(BW)
visboundaries(B)
visboundaries(ax, ___)
visboundaries(___,Name,Value)
h = visboundaries(___)
```

Description

`visboundaries(BW)` draws boundaries of regions in the binary image `BW` on the current axes. `BW` is a 2D binary image where pixels that are logical `true` belong to the foreground region and pixels that are logical `false` constitute the background. `visboundaries` uses `bwboundaries` to find the boundary pixel locations in the image.

`visboundaries(B)` draws region boundaries specified by `B`, where `B` is a cell array containing the boundary pixel locations of the regions, similar in structure to the first output from `bwboundaries`. Each cell contains a Q -by-2 matrix, where Q is the number of boundary pixels for the corresponding region. Each row of these Q -by-2 matrices contains the row and column coordinates of a boundary pixel.

`visboundaries(ax, ___)` draws region boundaries on the axes specified by `ax`.

`visboundaries(___,Name,Value)` passes the name-value pair arguments to specify additional properties of the boundaries. Parameter names can be abbreviated.

`h = visboundaries(___)` returns a handle `h`, for the boundaries.

Examples

Compute Boundaries and Plot on Image

Read image.

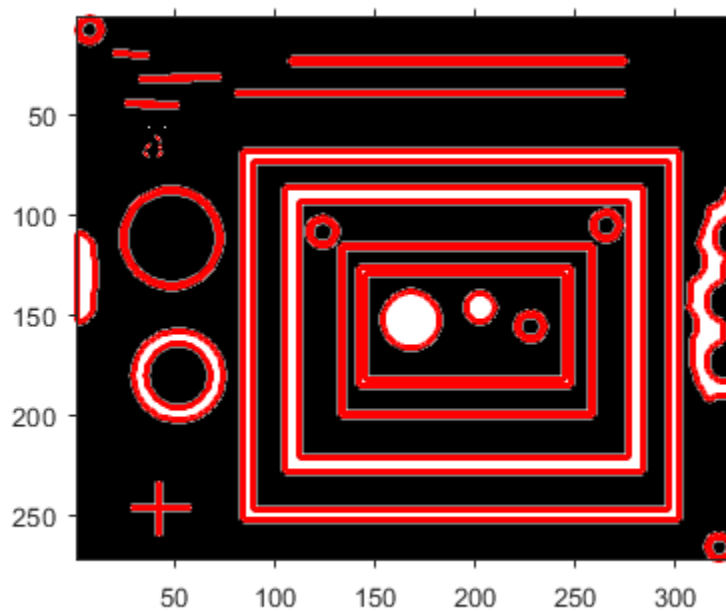
```
BW = imread('blobs.png');
```

Compute boundaries.

```
B = bwboundaries(BW);
```

Display image and plot boundaries on image.

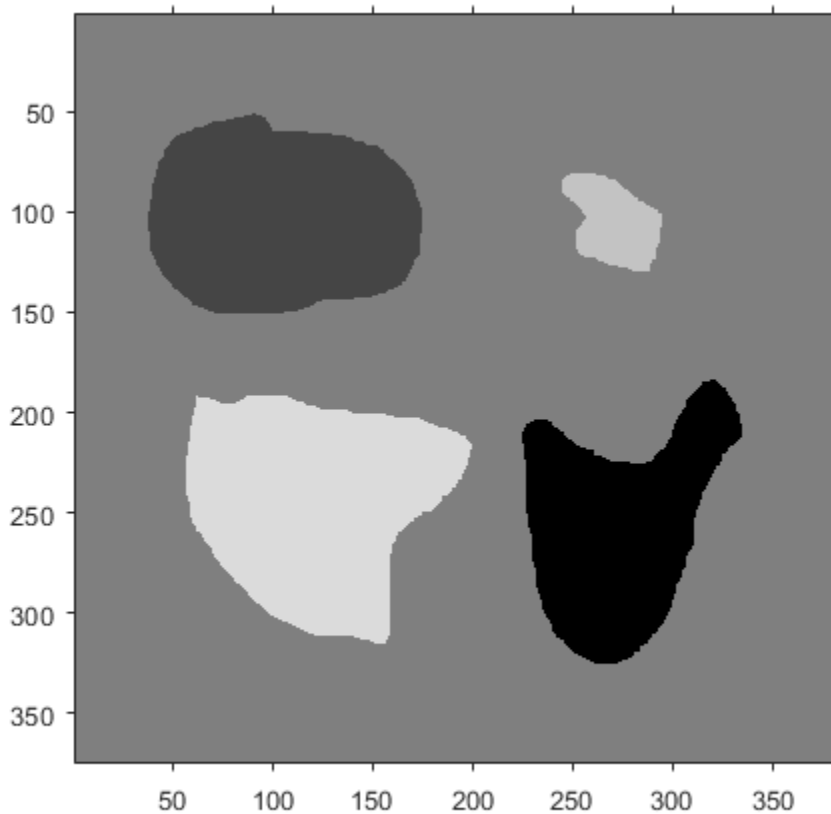
```
imshow(BW)  
hold on  
visboundaries(B)
```



Visualize Segmentation Result

Read image and display it.

```
I = imread('toyobjects.png');  
imshow(I)  
hold on
```

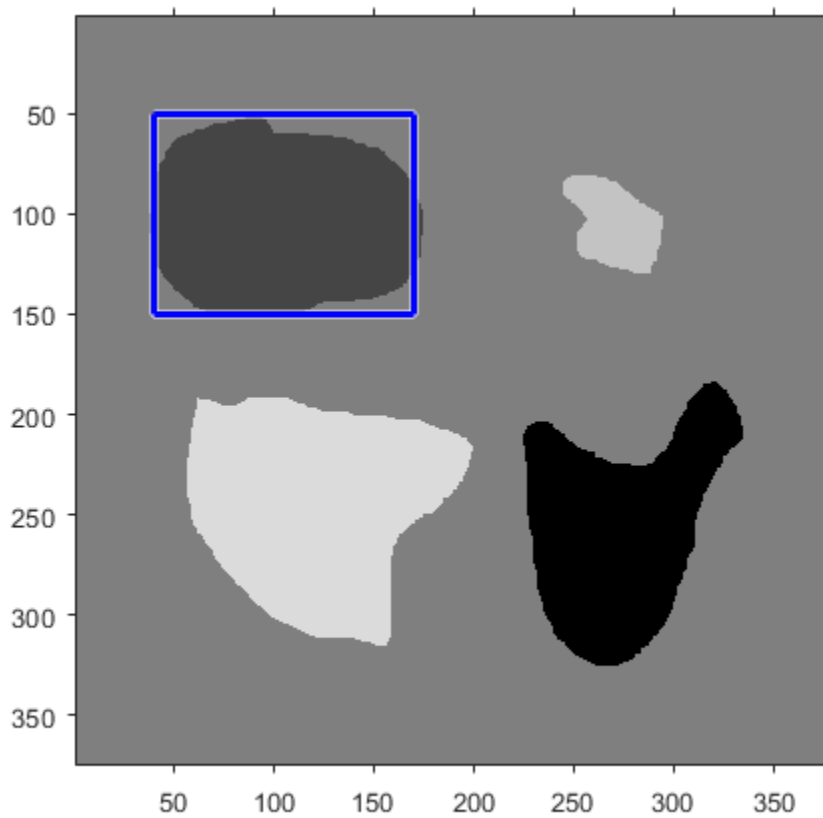


Segment the image using the active contours (snakes) algorithm. First, specify the initial contour location close to the object that is to be segmented.

```
mask = false(size(I));  
mask(50:150,40:170) = true;
```

Display the initial contour on the original image in blue.

```
visboundaries(mask, 'Color', 'b');
```

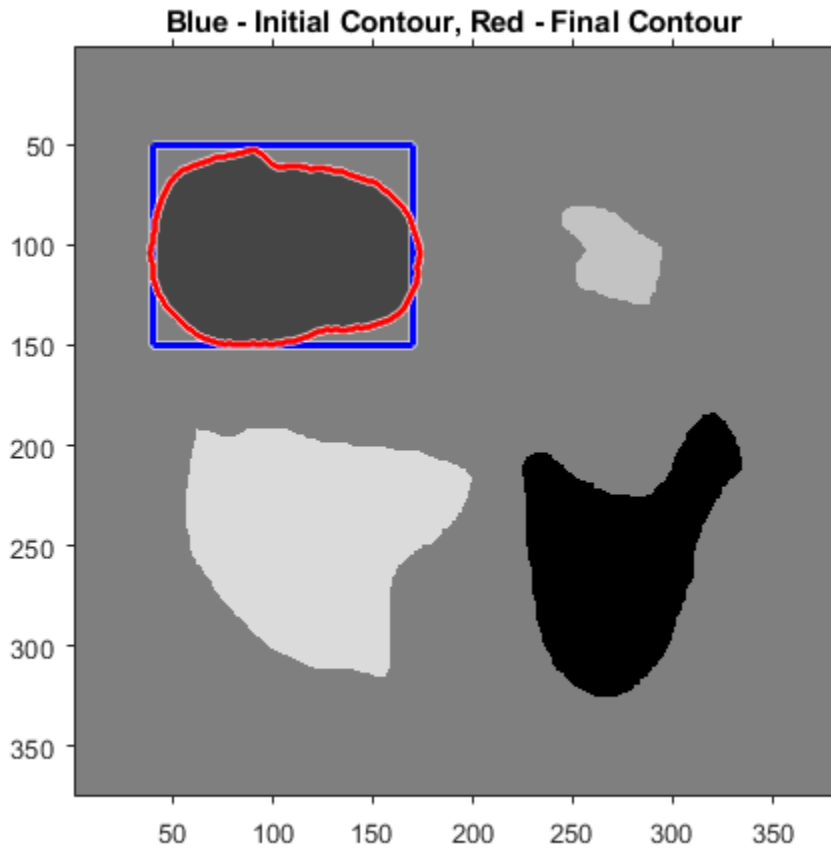


Segment the image using the 'edge' method using 200 iterations.

```
bw = activecontour(I, mask, 200, 'edge');
```

Display the final contour on the original image in red.

```
visboundaries(bw, 'Color', 'r');  
title('Blue - Initial Contour, Red - Final Contour');
```



Input Arguments

BW — Binary image
logical array

Binary image, specified as a logical array.

Data Types: `logical`

B — Boundary pixel locations

cell array of Q -by-2 matrices containing row and column coordinates

Boundary pixel locations, specified as a cell array of Q -by-2 matrices containing row and column coordinates, where Q is the number of boundary pixels for the corresponding region.

Data Types: `cell`

ax — Image on which to draw boundaries

current axes (default) | axes object

Image on which to draw boundaries, specified as an axes object.

Data Types: `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `visboundaries(bw, 'Color', 'b');`

Color — Color of boundary

'red' (default) | RGB triplet | hexadecimal color code | color name | short color name









Color of the boundary, specified as an RGB triplet, a hexadecimal color code, a color name, or a short color name.

For a custom color, specify an RGB triplet or a hexadecimal color code.








- An RGB triplet is a three-element row vector whose elements specify the intensities of the red, green, and blue components of the color. The intensities must be in the range `[0, 1]`; for example, `[0.4 0.6 0.7]`.
- A hexadecimal color code is a character vector or a string scalar that starts with a hash symbol (`#`) followed by three or six hexadecimal digits, which can range from `0` to

F. The values are not case sensitive. Thus, the color codes '#FF8800', '#ff8800', '#F80', and '#f80' are equivalent.

Alternatively, you can specify some common colors by name. This table lists the named color options, the equivalent RGB triplets, and hexadecimal color codes.

Color Name	Short Name	RGB Triplet	Hexadecimal Color Code	Appearance
'red'	'r'	[1 0 0]	'#FF0000'	
'green'	'g'	[0 1 0]	'#00FF00'	
'blue'	'b'	[0 0 1]	'#0000FF'	
'cyan'	'c'	[0 1 1]	'#00FFFF'	
'magenta'	'm'	[1 0 1]	'#FF00FF'	
'yellow'	'y'	[1 1 0]	'#FFFF00'	
'black'	'k'	[0 0 0]	'#000000'	
'white'	'w'	[1 1 1]	'#FFFFFF'	
'none'	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	No color

Here are the RGB triplets and hexadecimal color codes for the default colors MATLAB uses in many types of plots.

RGB Triplet	Hexadecimal Color Code	Appearance
[0 0.4470 0.7410]	'#0072BD'	
[0.8500 0.3250 0.0980]	'#D95319'	
[0.9290 0.6940 0.1250]	'#EDB120'	
[0.4940 0.1840 0.5560]	'#7E2F8E'	
[0.4660 0.6740 0.1880]	'#77AC30'	
[0.3010 0.7450 0.9330]	'#4DBEEE'	
[0.6350 0.0780 0.1840]	'#A2142F'	

Example: `visboundaries(bw,'Color','r');`

Example: `visboundaries(bw,'Color','green');`


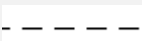


Example: `visboundaries(bw,'Color',[0 0 1]);`

```
Example: visboundaries(bw, 'Color', '#FF8800');
```

LineStyle — Style of boundary line

'-' (default) | '--' | ':' | '-.' | 'none'

Line style of boundary edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineStyle' and any line specifier in the table below.

Line Style	Description	Resulting Line
'-'	Solid line	
'--'	Dashed line	
':'	Dotted line	
'-.'	Dash-dotted line	
'none'	No line	No line

```
Example: visboundaries(bw, 'LineStyle', '-.');
```

LineWidth — Width of the line used for the boundary

2 points (default) | numeric value

Width of the line used for the boundary, specified as a numeric value. Specify this value in points, where one point = 1/72 inch.

```
Example: visboundaries(bw, 'LineWidth', 4);
```

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

EnhanceVisibility — Augment the drawn boundary with contrasting features

true (default) | false

Augment the drawn boundary with contrasting features to improve visibility on a varying background, specified as the logical flag true or false.

```
Example: visboundaries(bw, 'EnhanceVisibility', true);
```

Data Types: logical

Output Arguments

h — Boundary lines

hggroup object

Boundary line, returned as an hggroup object. h is the child of the axes ax if specified, otherwise h is the child of the current axes.

See Also

[bwboundaries](#) | [bwperim](#) | [bwtraceboundary](#) | [viscircles](#)

Introduced in R2015a

viscircles

Create circle

Syntax

```
viscircles(centers, radii)  
viscircles(ax, centers, radii)  
viscircles( ____, Name, Value)  
h = viscircles( ____ )
```

Description

`viscircles(centers, radii)` draws circles with specified `centers` and `radii` onto the current axes.

`viscircles(ax, centers, radii)` draws circles onto the axes specified by `ax`.

`viscircles(____, Name, Value)` specifies additional options with one or more `Name, Value` pair arguments, using any of the previous syntaxes. Parameter names can be abbreviated.

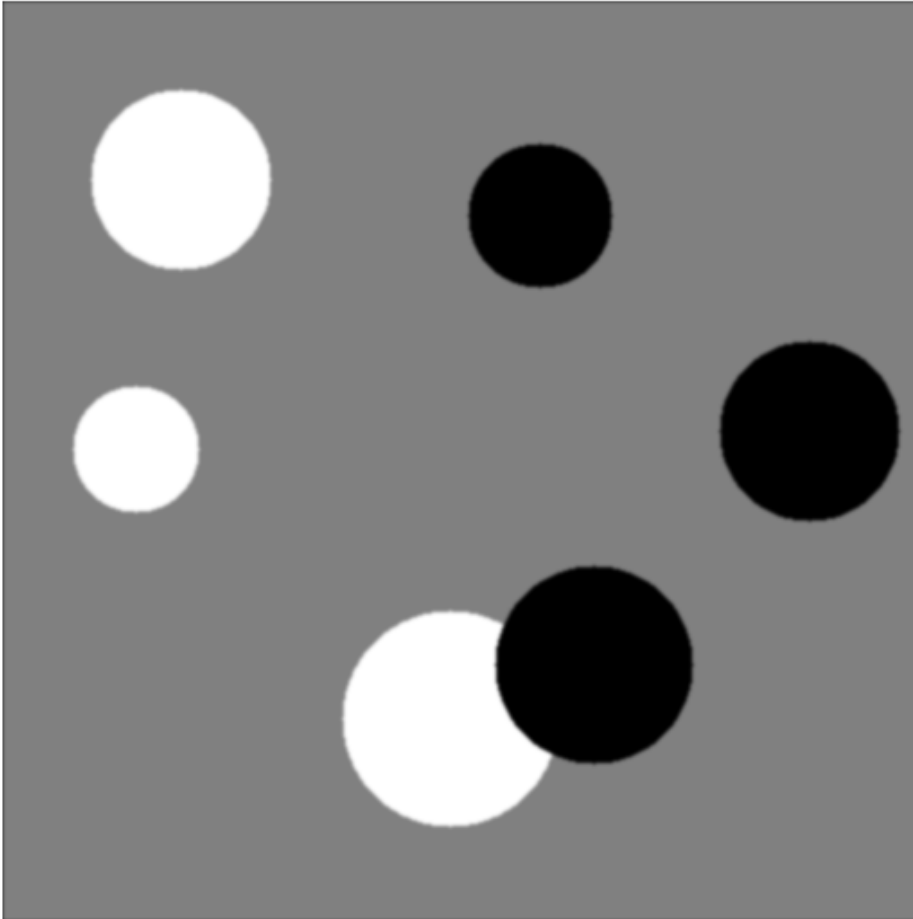
`h = viscircles(____)` returns a handle, `h`, to the drawn circles.

Examples

Draw Lines Around Bright and Dark Circles in Image

Read the image into the workspace and display it.

```
A = imread('circlesBrightDark.png');  
imshow(A)
```



Define the radius range.

```
Rmin = 30;  
Rmax = 65;
```

Find all the bright circles in the image within the radius range.

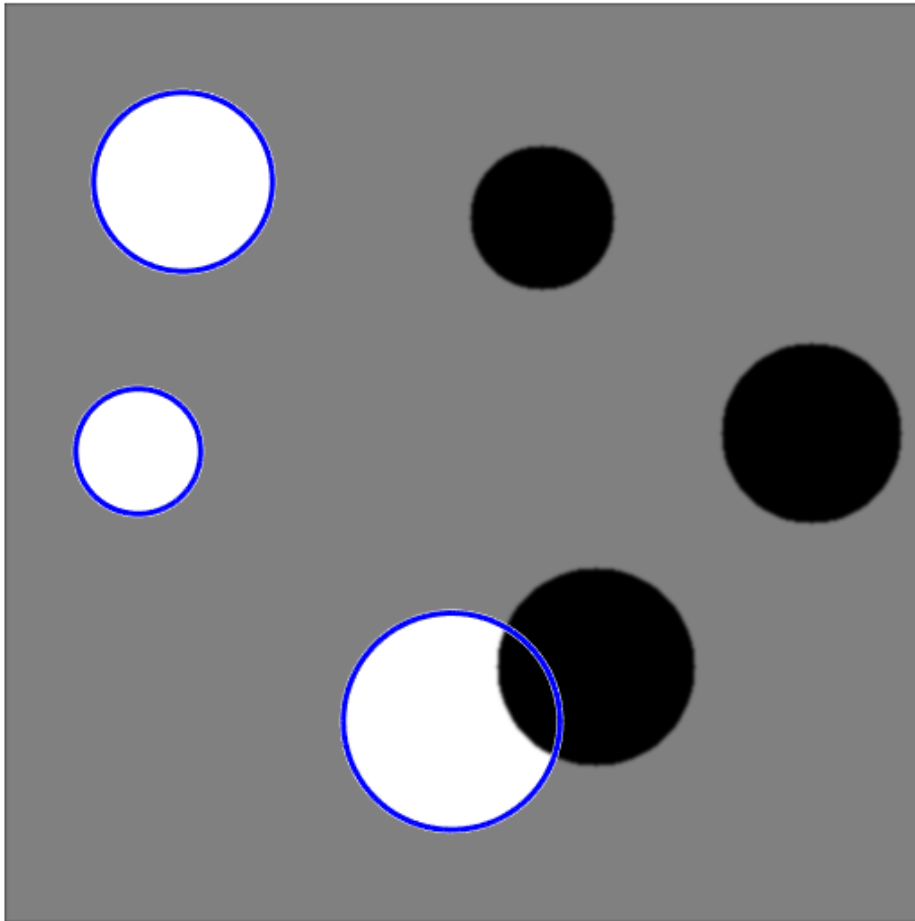
```
[centersBright, radiiBright] = imfindcircles(A,[Rmin Rmax], 'ObjectPolarity', 'bright');
```

Find all the dark circles in the image within the radius range.

```
[centersDark, radiiDark] = imfindcircles(A,[Rmin Rmax], 'ObjectPolarity', 'dark');
```

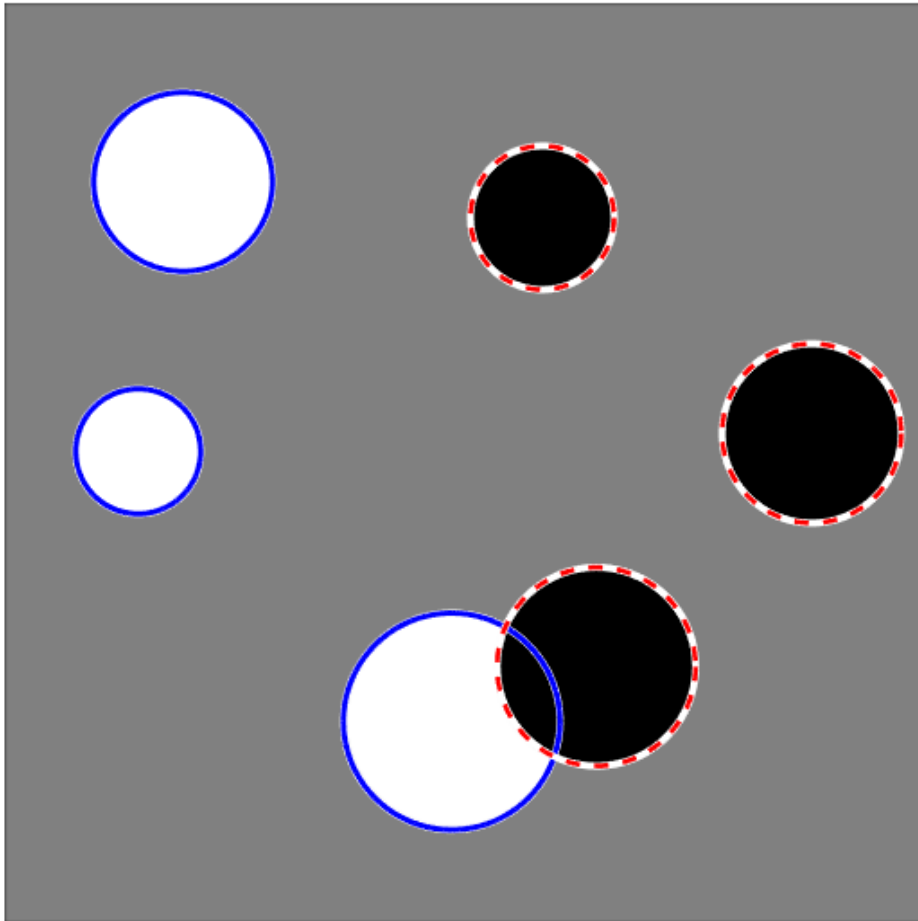
Draw blue lines around the edges of the bright circles.

```
viscircles(centersBright, radiiBright, 'Color', 'b');
```



Draw red dashed lines around the edges of the dark circles.

```
viscircles(centersDark, radiiDark, 'LineStyle', '--');
```

Clear Axes Before Plotting Circles

The `viscircles` function does not clear the target axes before plotting circles. To remove circles that have been previously plotted in an axes, use the `cla` function. To illustrate, this example creates a new figure and then loops, drawing a set of circles with each iteration, clearing the axes each time.

```
figure
colors = {'b','r','g','y','k'};

for k = 1:5
    % Create 5 random circles to display,
    X = rand(5,1);
    Y = rand(5,1);
    centers = [X Y];
    radii = 0.1*rand(5,1);

    % Clear the axes.
    cla

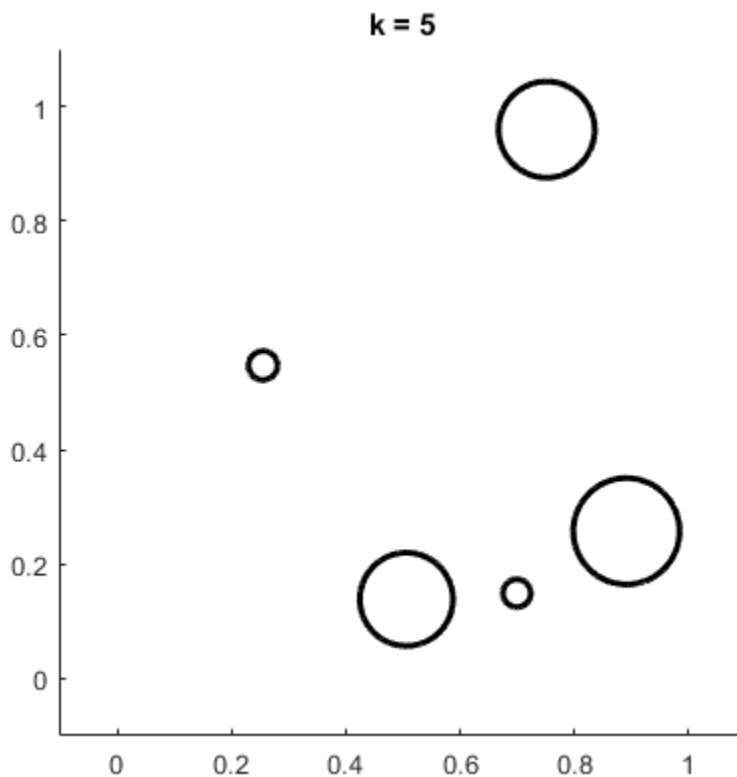
    % Fix the axis limits.
    xlim([-0.1 1.1])
    ylim([-0.1 1.1])

    % Set the axis aspect ratio to 1:1.
    axis square

    % Set a title.
    title(['k = ' num2str(k)])

    % Display the circles.
    viscircles(centers,radii,'Color',colors{k});

    % Pause for 1 second.
    pause(1)
end
```



Input Arguments

centers — Coordinates of circle centers

two-column matrix

Coordinates of circle centers, specified as a P-by-2 matrix, such as that obtained from `imfindcircles`. The x-coordinates of the circle centers are in the first column and the y-coordinates are in the second column. The coordinates can be integers (of any numeric type) or floating-point values (of type `double` or `single`).

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

radii — Circle radii

column vector

Circle radii, specified as a column vector such as that returned by `imfindcircles`. The radius value at `radii(j)` corresponds to the circle with center coordinates `centers(j,:)`. The values of `radii` can be nonnegative integers (of any numeric type) or floating-point values (of type `double` or `single`).

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

ax — Axes in which to draw circles

handle

Axes in which to draw circles, specified as a handle object returned by `gca` or `axes`.

Data Types: `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `viscircles(centers, radii, 'Color', 'b')` specifies blue circle edges, using the short color name for blue.

EnhanceVisibility — Augment drawn circles with contrasting features to improve visibility`true` (default) | `false`

Augment drawn circles with contrasting features to improve visibility, specified as a logical value `true` or `false`. If you set the value to `true`, `viscircles` draws a contrasting circle below the colored circle.

Data Types: `logical`

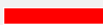







Color — Color of boundary`'red'` (default) | RGB triplet | hexadecimal color code | color name | short color name

Color of the boundary, specified as an RGB triplet, a hexadecimal color code, a color name, or a short color name.

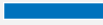



For a custom color, specify an RGB triplet or a hexadecimal color code.

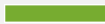
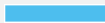

- An RGB triplet is a three-element row vector whose elements specify the intensities of the red, green, and blue components of the color. The intensities must be in the range $[0, 1]$; for example, $[0.4 \ 0.6 \ 0.7]$.
- A hexadecimal color code is a character vector or a string scalar that starts with a hash symbol (#) followed by three or six hexadecimal digits, which can range from 0 to F. The values are not case sensitive. Thus, the color codes '#FF8800', '#ff8800', '#F80', and '#f80' are equivalent.

Alternatively, you can specify some common colors by name. This table lists the named color options, the equivalent RGB triplets, and hexadecimal color codes.

Color Name	Short Name	RGB Triplet	Hexadecimal Color Code	Appearance
'red'	'r'	[1 0 0]	'#FF0000'	
'green'	'g'	[0 1 0]	'#00FF00'	
'blue'	'b'	[0 0 1]	'#0000FF'	
'cyan'	'c'	[0 1 1]	'#00FFFF'	
'magenta'	'm'	[1 0 1]	'#FF00FF'	
'yellow'	'y'	[1 1 0]	'#FFFF00'	
'black'	'k'	[0 0 0]	'#000000'	
'white'	'w'	[1 1 1]	'#FFFFFF'	
'none'	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	No color

Here are the RGB triplets and hexadecimal color codes for the default colors MATLAB uses in many types of plots.

RGB Triplet	Hexadecimal Color Code	Appearance
[0 0.4470 0.7410]	'#0072BD'	
[0.8500 0.3250 0.0980]	'#D95319'	
[0.9290 0.6940 0.1250]	'#EDB120'	
[0.4940 0.1840 0.5560]	'#7E2F8E'	

RGB Triplet	Hexadecimal Color Code	Appearance
[0.4660 0.6740 0.1880]	'#77AC30'	
[0.3010 0.7450 0.9330]	'#4DBEEE'	
[0.6350 0.0780 0.1840]	'#A2142F'	

Example: `viscircles(centers, radii, 'Color', 'r');`

Example: `viscircles(centers, radii, 'Color', 'green');`


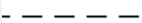
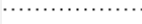
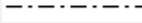
Example: `viscircles(centers, radii, 'Color', [0 0 1]);`

Example: `viscircles(centers, radii, 'Color', '#FF8800');`

LineStyle — Line style of circle edge

'-' (default) | '--' | ':' | '-.' | 'none'

Line style of circle edge, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of 'LineStyle' and any line specifier in the table below.

Line Style	Description	Resulting Line
'-'	Solid line	
'--'	Dashed line	
':'	Dotted line	
'-.'	Dash-dotted line	
'none'	No line	No line

LineWidth — Width of circle edge

2 (default) | double

Width of circle edge, specified a positive floating-point double value. Line width is expressed in points, where each point equals 1/72 of an inch.

Output Arguments

h — Circles drawn

hggroup object

Circles drawn, returned as an `hggroup` object. `h` is the child of the axes `ax` if specified, otherwise `h` is the child of the current axes.

See Also

`imdistline` | `imfindcircles` | `imtool` | `visboundaries`

Introduced in R2012a

volshow

Display volumetric data

Description

Display volumetric data, creating a `volshow` object with properties that control the appearance of the display.

Creation

Syntax

```
volshow(V)  
volshow(V,Name,Value)  
h = volshow( ___ )
```

Description

`volshow(V)` displays 3-D grayscale volume *V* in a figure. You can rotate and zoom in and out on the display interactively using the mouse.

`volshow(V,Name,Value)` displays the volume, using one or more name-value pairs to set properties that control the visualization of the volume. For a list of name-value pairs, see “Properties” on page 1-2947. Enclose each property in quotes. For example, 'BackgroundColor'.

`h = volshow(___)` returns a `volshow` object with properties that can be used to control visualization of the volume.

Input Arguments

V — Volumetric data

3-D grayscale volume

Volumetric data, specified as a 3-D grayscale volume.

Properties

AlphaMap — Transparency map for the volume content

`linspace(0,1,256)'` (default) | 256-by-1 numeric vector

Transparency map for the volume content, specified as a 256-by-1 numeric array, with values in the range $[0, 1]$.

BackgroundColor — Color of the background

`[0.3 0.75 0.93]` (default) | RGB triplet | color name | short color name

Color of the background, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec`. The intensities must be in the range $[0, 1]$.

CameraPosition — Location of camera

`[4 4 2.5]` (default) | three-element vector

Location of camera, or the viewpoint, specified as a three-element vector of the form $[x \ y \ z]$. This vector defines the axes coordinates of the camera location, which is the point from which you view the axes. The camera is oriented along the view axis, which is a straight line that connects the camera position and the camera target. Changing the `CameraPosition` property changes the point from which you view the volume. For an illustration, see “Camera Graphics Terminology” (MATLAB). Interactively rotating the volume modifies the value of this property.

CameraUpVector — Vector defining upwards direction

`[0 0 1]` (default) | three-element vector

Vector defining upwards direction, specified as a three-element direction vector of the form $[x \ y \ z]$. By default, `volshow` defines the z -axis as the up direction (`[0 0 1]`). For an illustration, see “Camera Graphics Terminology” (MATLAB). Interactively rotating the volume modifies the value of this property.

CameraViewAngle — Field of view

`15` (default) | numeric scalar

Field of view, specified as a scalar angle greater than or equal to 0 and less than 180 . The greater the angle, the larger the field of view. Also, the bigger the angle, objects appear smaller in the scene. For an illustration, see “Camera Graphics Terminology” (MATLAB).

CameraTarget — Point used as camera target`[0 0 0]` (default) | three-element vector

Point used as camera target, specified as a three-element vector of the form `[x y z]`. The camera is oriented along the view axis, which is a straight line that connects the camera position and the camera target. For an illustration, see “Camera Graphics Terminology” (MATLAB).

Colormap — Colormap of the volume content`gray(256)` (default) | 256-by-3 numeric array

Colormap of the volume content, specified as a 256-by-3 numeric array with values in the range `[0 1]`.

InteractionsEnabled — Interactivity of the volume`true` (default) | `false`

Interactivity of the volume, specified as `true` or `false`. When `true` (default), you can zoom using the mouse scroll wheel, and rotate by clicking and dragging on the volume. Rotation and zoom are performed about the value specified by `CameraTarget`. When `false`, you cannot interact with the volume.

IsosurfaceColor — Isosurface color`RGB triplet` | color name | short color name

Isosurface color, specified as a MATLAB `ColorSpec`, with values in the range `[0 1]`. This property specifies the volume color when the `Renderer` is set to `'Isosurface'`.

Isovalue — Value that defines the surface of the volume`0.49` (default) | positive integer

Value that defines the surface of the volume drawn when `Renderer` is set to `'Isosurface'`, specified as a numeric array. Value must be in the range `[0 1]`.

Parent — Parent of `volshow` object`gcf` (default) | `uipanel` | `figure`

Parent of `volshow` object, specified as a handle to a `uipanel` or `figure`. If you do not specify a parent, the parent of the `volshow` object is `gcf`.

Renderer — Rendering style`'VolumeRendering'` | `'MaximumIntensityProjection'` | `'Isosurface'`

Rendering style, specified as one of the values in this table. When the volume is `logical`, the default `Renderer` is `'Isosurface'`, otherwise the default `Renderer` is `'VolumeRendering'`.

Value	Description
<code>'VolumeRendering'</code>	View the volume based on the specified color and transparency for each voxel.
<code>'MaximumIntensityProjection'</code>	View the voxel with the highest intensity value for each ray projected through the data.
<code>'Isosurface'</code>	View an isosurface of the volume specified by the value in <code>IsoValue</code> .

ScaleFactors — Scale factors used to rescale volume

`[1 1 1]` (default) | 1-by-3 positive numeric array.

Scale factors used to rescale volume, specified as a 1-by-3 positive numeric array. The values in the array correspond to the scale factor applied in the *x*, *y*, and *z* direction.

Object Functions

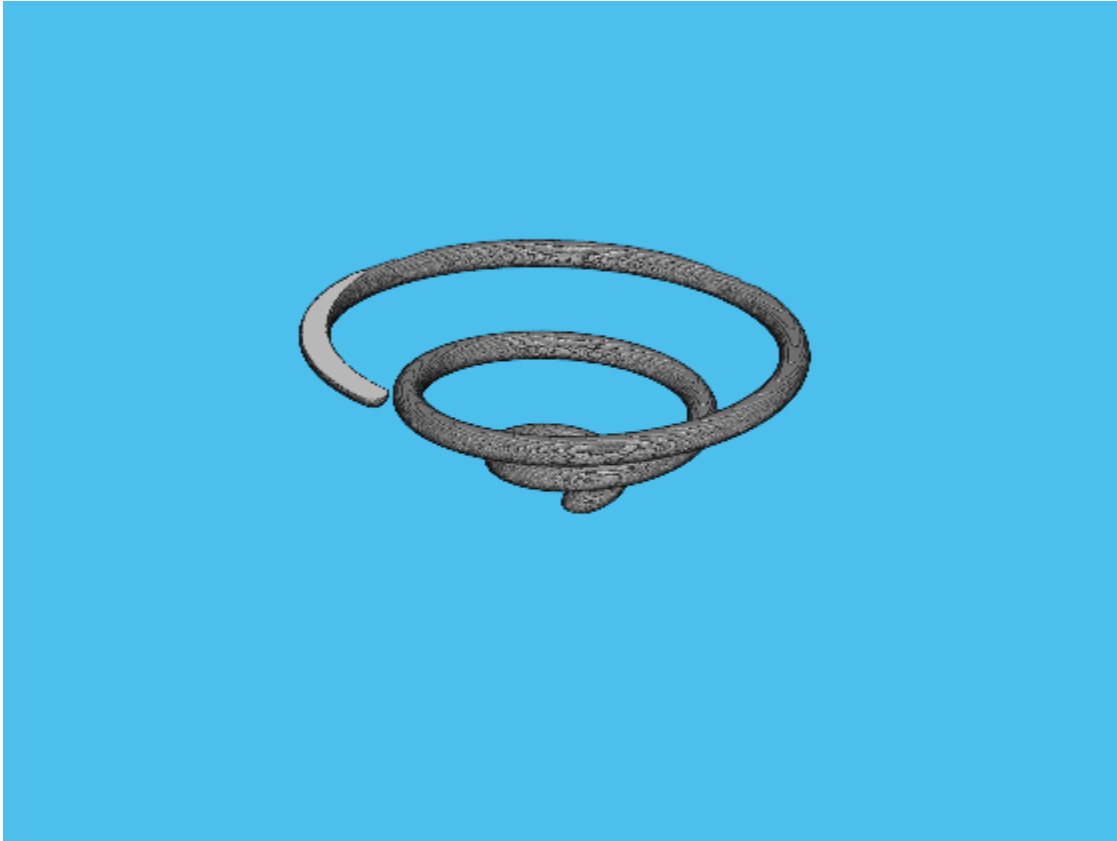
`setVolume` Set new volume

Examples

Create Animated GIF of Spiral Volume

Load and view the volume.

```
load('spiralVol.mat');
h = volshow(spiralVol);
```



Specify the name of the GIF file.

```
filename = 'animatedSpiral.gif';
```

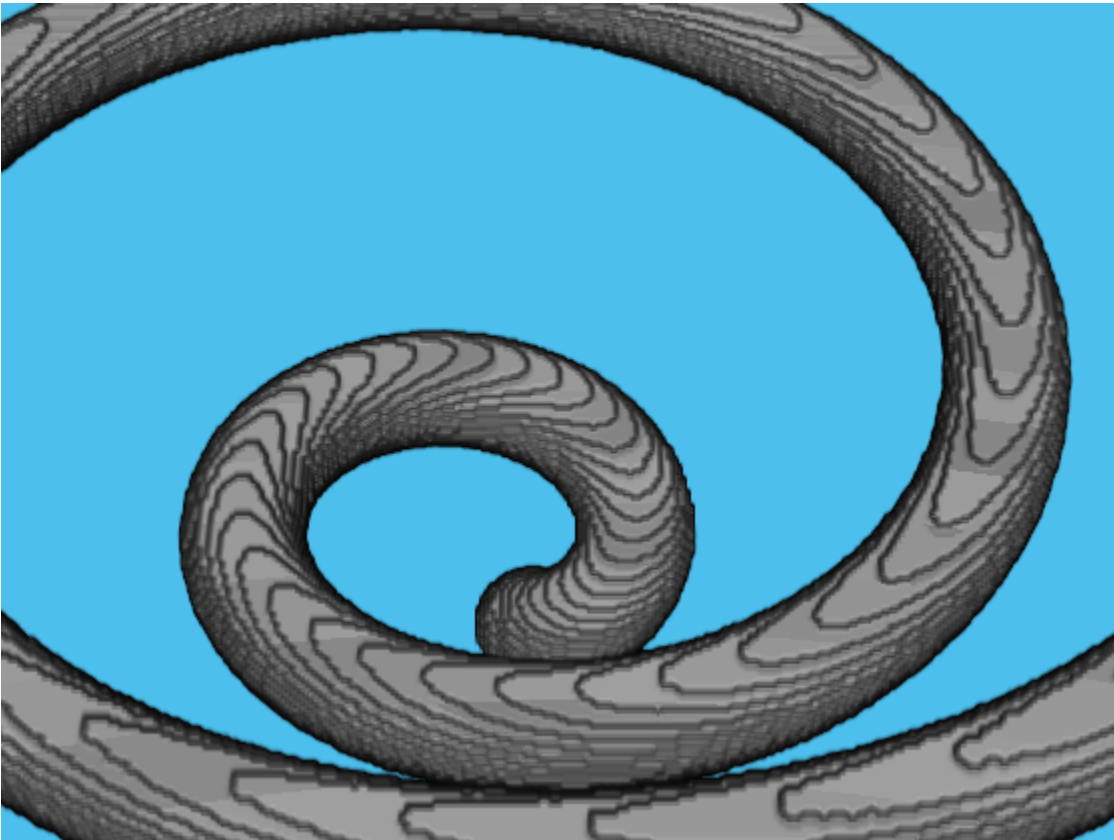
Create an array of camera positions around the unit circle.

```
vec = linspace(0,2*pi(),120)';  
myPosition = [cos(vec) sin(vec) ones(size(vec))];
```

Loop through and create an image at each camera position.

```
for idx = 1:120  
    % Update current view.  
    h.CameraPosition = myPosition(idx,:);
```

```
% Use getframe to capture image.  
I = getframe(gcf);  
[indI,cm] = rgb2ind(I.cdata,256);  
% Write frame to the GIF File.  
if idx == 1  
    imwrite(indI, cm, filename, 'gif', 'Loopcount', inf, 'DelayTime', 0.05);  
else  
    imwrite(indI, cm, filename, 'gif', 'WriteMode', 'append', 'DelayTime', 0.05);  
end  
end
```



Visualize Volume of MRI Data

Load MRI data and remove the singleton dimension.

```
load mri
V = squeeze(D);
```

Generate a color map and transparency (alpha) map suited for MRI images.

```
intensity = [0 20 40 120 220 1024];
alpha = [0 0 0.15 0.3 0.38 0.5];
color = ([0 0 0; 43 0 0; 103 37 20; 199 155 97; 216 213 201; 255 255 255]) ./ 255;
queryPoints = linspace(min(intensity),max(intensity),256);
alphamap = interp1(intensity,alpha,queryPoints)';
colormap = interp1(intensity,color,queryPoints);
```

View the volume with the custom color map and transparency map. Click and drag the mouse to rotate the volume. Use the scroll wheel to zoom in and out of the volume.

```
vol = volshow(V, 'Colormap', colormap, 'Alphamap', alphamap);
```



Visualize CT Volumetric Data

Load data.

```
load mri  
V = squeeze(D);
```

Generate a colormap and an alphamap that are ideal for visualizing CT images.

```
intensity = [-3024, -16.45, 641.38, 3071];  
alpha = [0, 0, 0.72, 0.72];  
color = ([0 0 0; 186 65 77; 231 208 141; 255 255 255]) ./ 255;
```

```
queryPoints = linspace(min(intensity),max(intensity),256);  
alphamap = interp1(intensity,alpha,queryPoints)';  
colormap = interp1(intensity,color,queryPoints);
```

View volume with custom Colormap and Alphamap

```
volshow(V, 'Colormap', colormap, 'Alphamap', alphamap);
```



See Also

Volume Viewer | [isosurface](#) | [labelvolshow](#) | [slice](#)

Introduced in R2019a

setVolume

Set new volume

Syntax

```
setVolume(hVol,V)
```

Description

`setVolume(hVol,V)` updates the `volshow` object `hVol` with a new volume `V`. `setVolume` preserves the current viewpoint and other visualization settings remain unchanged.

Examples

Change the Volume in `volshow` Object

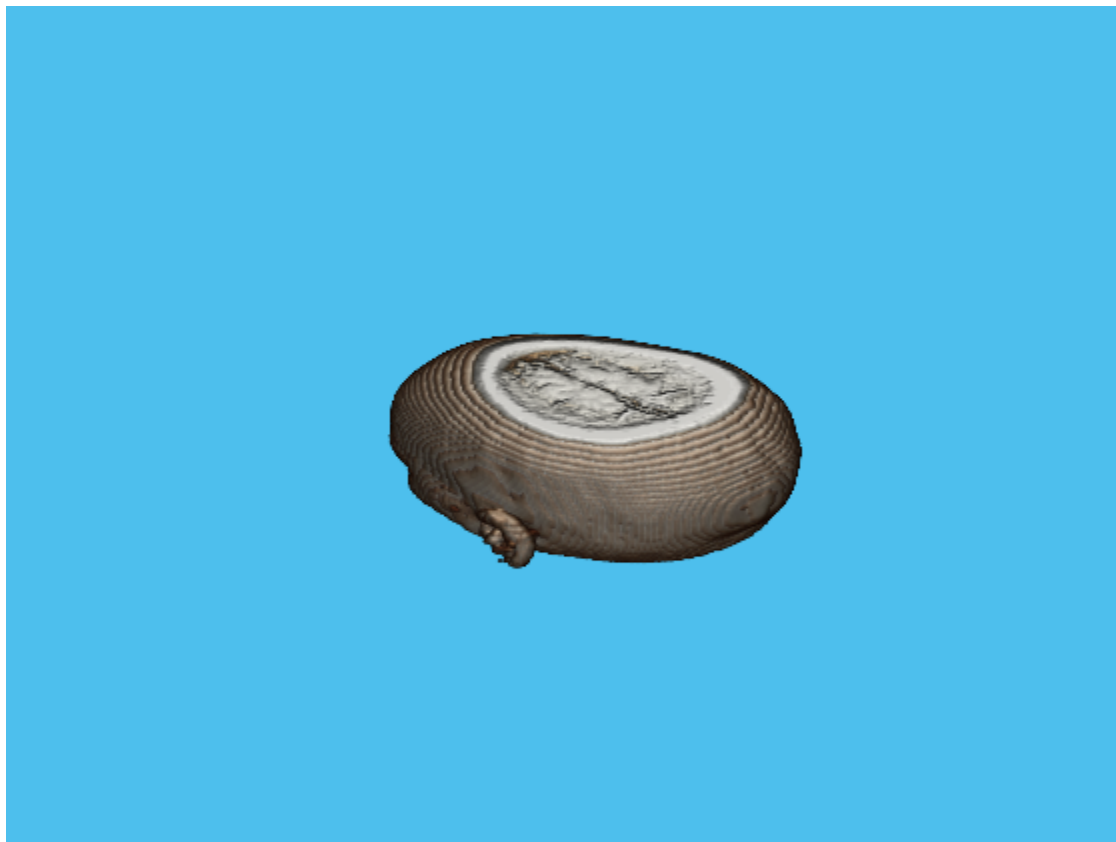
Load two volumes.

```
load mri  
V = squeeze(D);
```

```
load spiralVol
```

Display one of the volumes, using `volshow`.

```
intensity = [0 20 40 120 220 1024];  
alpha = [0 0 0.15 0.3 0.38 0.5];  
color = ([0 0 0; 43 0 0; 103 37 20; 199 155 97; 216 213 201; 255 255 255]) ./ 255;  
queryPoints = linspace(min(intensity),max(intensity),256);  
alphamap = interp1(intensity,alpha,queryPoints)';  
colormap = interp1(intensity,color,queryPoints);  
vol = volshow(V, 'Colormap',colormap, 'Alphamap',alphamap);
```



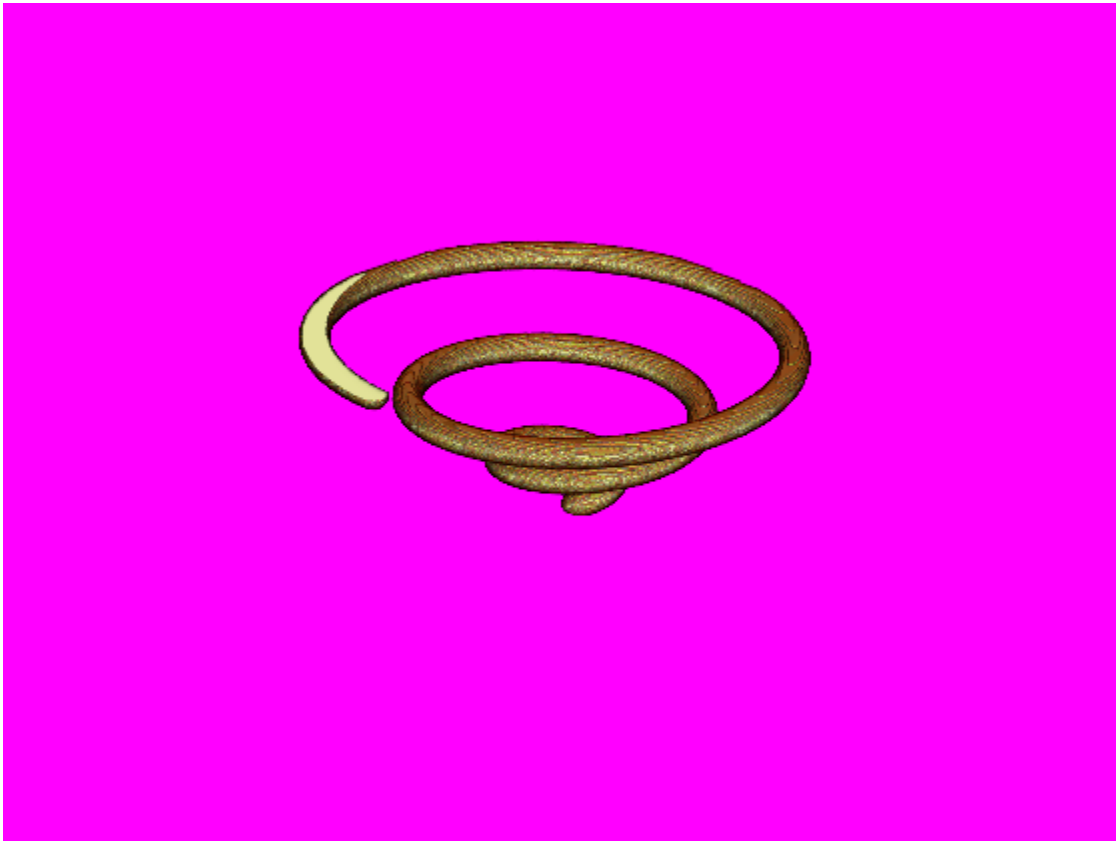
Change rendering settings.

```
newColormap = hot(256);  
vol.Colormap = newColormap;  
vol.BackgroundColor = 'magenta';
```



Change the volume in the `volshow` object. Note that, when changing the volume, the `volshow` object preserves your rendering settings.

```
setVolume(vol, spiralVol)
```



Input Arguments

hVol — Volume visualization

volshow object

Volume visualization, specified as a volshow object.

V — Volumetric data

3-D grayscale volume

Volumetric data, specified as a 3-D grayscale volume.

See Also

volshow

Introduced in R2019a

warp

Display image as texture-mapped surface

Syntax

```
warp(X, map)
warp(I, n)
warp(BW)
warp(RGB)
warp(Z, ___ )
warp(X, Y, Z, ___ )
h = warp( ___ )
```

Description

`warp(X, map)` displays the indexed image `X` with colormap `map` as a texture map on a simple rectangular surface.

`warp(I, n)` displays the intensity image `I` with `n` levels as a texture map on a simple rectangular surface.

`warp(BW)` displays the binary image `BW` as a texture map on a simple rectangular surface.

`warp(RGB)` displays the truecolor image `RGB` as a texture map on a simple rectangular surface.

`warp(Z, ___)` displays the image on the surface `Z`.

`warp(X, Y, Z, ___)` displays the image on the surface `(X, Y, Z)`.

`h = warp(___)` returns a handle to the texture-mapped surface.

Examples

Warp Indexed Image over Curved Surface

This example shows how to warp an indexed image over a nonuniform surface. This example uses a curved surface centered at the origin.

Read an indexed image into the workspace.

```
[I,map] = imread('forest.tif');
```

Create the surface. First, define the x - and y -coordinates of the surface. This example uses arbitrary coordinates that are unrelated to the indexed image. Note that the size of the coordinate matrices X and Y do not need to match the size of the image.

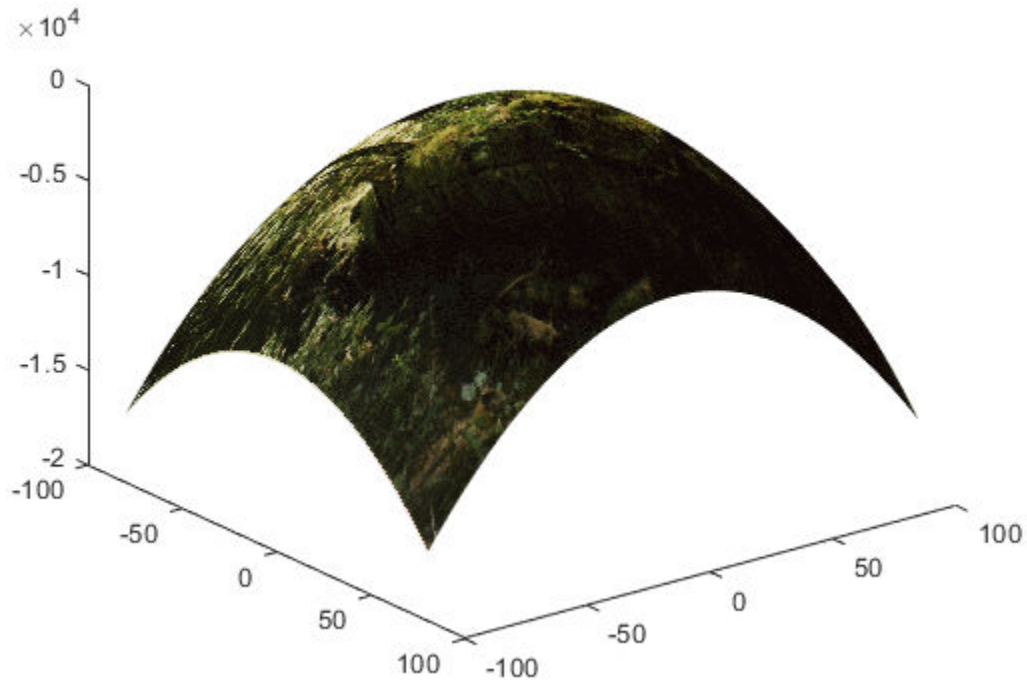
```
[X,Y] = meshgrid(-100:100,-80:80);
```

Define the height Z of the surface at the coordinates given by (X, Y) .

```
Z = -(X.^2 + Y.^2);
```

Warp the image over the surface defined by the coordinates (X, Y, Z) .

```
figure  
warp(X,Y,Z,I,map);
```

Explore the warped image interactively using the rotate and data cursor tools.

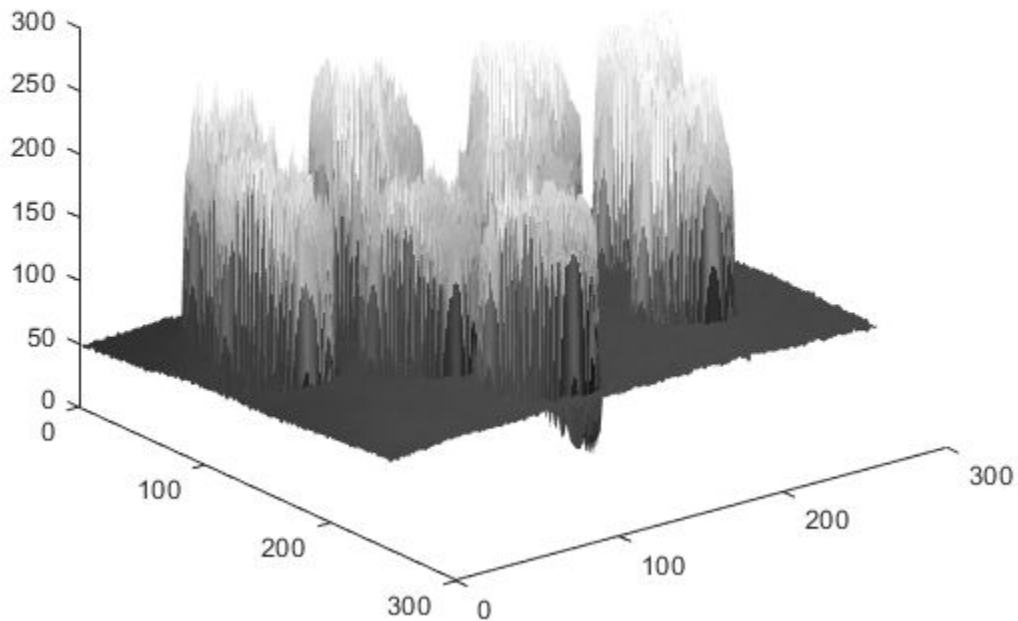
Warp Grayscale Image Based on Intensity

Read a grayscale image into the workspace.

```
I = imread('coins.png');
```

Warp the image over the surface whose height is equal to the intensity of the image I. Specify the number of graylevels.

```
figure  
warp(I,I,128);
```



Note that the x- and y-coordinates of the surface were not specified in the call to `warp` and thus default to the image pixel indices. Explore the warped image interactively using the rotate and data cursor tools.

Input Arguments

X — Indexed image

2-D array of real numeric values

Indexed image, specified as a 2-D array of real numeric values. The values in *X* are an index into *map*, an *n*-by-3 array of RGB values.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `int16` | `logical`

map — Colormap

n-by-3 array of real numeric values

Colormap, specified as an *n*-by-3 array of real numeric values. Each row specifies an RGB color value. When *map* is type `single` or `double`, values must be in the range [0, 1].

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8`

I — Intensity image

2-D array of real numeric values

Intensity image, specified as a 2-D array of real numeric values.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `int16` | `logical`

n — Number of grayscale levels

positive integer

Number of grayscale levels, specified as a positive integer.

Data Types: `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `logical`

BW — Binary image

2-D array of logical values

Binary image, specified as a 2-D array of logical values.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `int16` | `logical`

RGB — Truecolor image

m-by-*n*-by-3 array of real numeric values

Truecolor image, specified as an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 array of real numeric values.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `int16` | `logical`

Z — Height of surface

2-D array of real numeric values

Height of surface, specified as a 2-D array of logical values. When *Z* is not specified, the surface is flat with a uniform height of 0.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `logical`

X — x-coordinates of surface

2-D array of real numeric values

x-coordinates of surface, specified as a 2-D array of real numeric values.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `logical`

Y — y-coordinates of surface

2-D array of real numeric values

y-coordinates of surface, specified as a 2-D array of real numeric values.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `logical`

Output Arguments

h — Texture-mapped surface object created by warp

texture-mapped surface object

Texture-mapped surface object created by `warp`, specified as a texture-mapped surface object.

Tips

- Texture-mapped surfaces are generally rendered more slowly than images.

See Also

`image` | `imagesc` | `imshow` | `surf`

Introduced before R2006a

images.geotrans.Warper

Apply same geometric transformation to many images efficiently

Description

A Warper object applies an `affine2d` or `projective2d` geometric transformation to images with a specific size.

Creation

Syntax

```
w = images.geotrans.Warper(tform, inputSize)
w = images.geotrans.Warper(tform, inputRef)
w = images.geotrans.Warper(tform, inputRef, outputRef)
w = images.geotrans.Warper(sourceX, sourceY)
w = images.geotrans.Warper( ____, Name, Value)
```

Description

`w = images.geotrans.Warper(tform, inputSize)` creates an image warper from the geometric transformation object `tform` and sets the `ImageSize` property.

`w = images.geotrans.Warper(tform, inputRef)` specifies the coordinate system of the input images, `inputRef`.

`w = images.geotrans.Warper(tform, inputRef, outputRef)` specifies the coordinate system of the output image, `outputRef`. This syntax can be used to improve performance by limiting the application of the geometric transformation to a specific output region of interest.

`w = images.geotrans.Warper(sourceX, sourceY)` specifies the input image coordinates, `sourceX` and `sourceY`, required to perform the geometric transformation.

`w = images.geotrans.Warper(____, Name, Value)` sets the Interpolation and FillValue properties using one or more name-value pair arguments. Enclose each property name in single quotes.

For example, `warper = images.geotrans.Warper(tform,size(im),'FillValue',1)` specifies a fill value of 1 for pixels outside the original image.

Input Arguments

tform — Geometric transformation

affine2d object | projective2d object

Geometric transformation, specified as an affine2d or projective2d geometric transformation object.

inputRef — Referencing object associated with input image

imref2d object

Referencing object associated with the input image, specified as an imref2d spatial referencing object.

outputRef — Referencing object associated with output image

imref2d object

Referencing object associated with the output image, specified as an imref2d spatial referencing object.

sourceX, sourceY — Input image coordinates

2-D matrix

Input image coordinates, specified as a 2-D matrix the same size as the required output image. Each (x, y) index in sourceX and sourceY specifies the location in the input image for the corresponding output pixel.

Data Types: single

Properties

InputSize — Size of the input images

2-element vector of positive integers | 3-element vector of positive integers

Size of the input images, specified as a 2- or 3-element vector of positive integers.

OutputSize — Size of the first two dimensions of the output image

2-element vector of positive integers

Size of the first two dimensions of the output image, specified as a 2-element vector of positive integers.

Interpolation — Interpolation method

'linear' (default) | 'nearest' | 'cubic'

Interpolation method, specified as 'linear', 'nearest', or 'cubic'.

Data Types: char | string

FillValue — Value used for output pixels outside the input image boundaries

0 (default) | numeric scalar

Value used for output pixels outside the input image boundaries, specified as a numeric scalar. Warper casts the fill value to the data type of the input image.

Object Functions

warp Apply geometric transformation

Examples

Apply Shear to Multiple Images

Pick a set of images of the same size. The example uses a set of images that show cells.

```
imds = imageDatastore(fullfile(matlabroot, 'toolbox', 'images', 'imdata', 'AT*'));
```

Create a geometric transform to rotate each image by 45 degrees and to shrink each image.

```
tform = affine2d([ 0.5*cos(pi/4) sin(pi/4) 0;
                  -sin(pi/4) 0.5*cos(pi/4) 0;
                  0 0 1]);
```

Create a Warper object, specifying the geometric transformation object, `tform`, and the size of the input images.

```
im = readimage(imds,1);  
warper = images.geotrans.Warper(tform,size(im));
```

Determine the number of images to be processed and preallocate the output array.

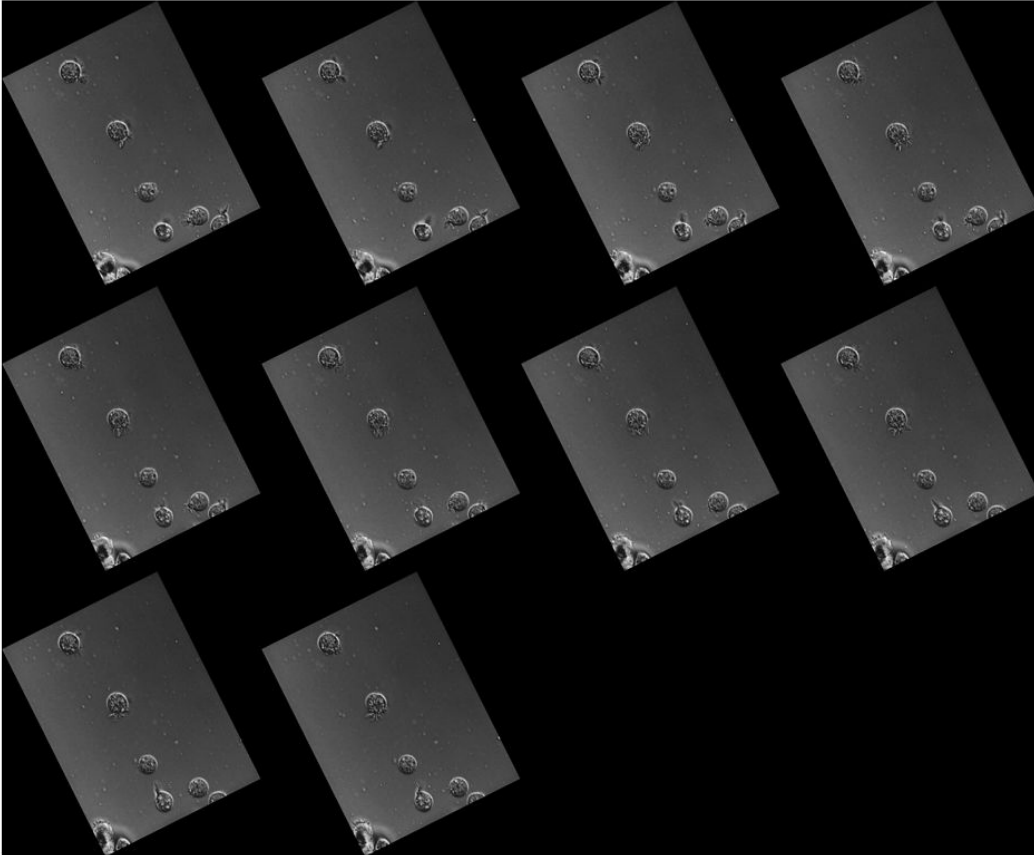
```
numFiles = numel(imds.Files);  
imr = zeros([warper.OutputSize 1 numFiles], 'like', im);
```

Apply the geometric transformation to each of the input images by calling the `warp` function of the Warper object.

```
for ind = 1:numFiles  
    im = read(imds);  
    imr(:,:,1,ind) = warp(warper,im);  
end
```

Visualize the output images. (Turn off the warning message about the images being scaled for display.)

```
warning('off', 'images:initSize:adjustingMag')  
montage(imr);
```

Tips

- If the input images are RGB images or 3-D grayscale images of size m -by- n -by- p , then `warp` applies the transformation to each color channel or plane p independently.

Algorithms

Warper is optimized to apply the same geometric transformation across a batch of same size images. Warper achieves this optimization by splitting the warping process into two steps: computation of the transformed coordinates (done once) and interpolation on the image (done for each image). Compared to `imwarp`, this approach speeds up the whole process significantly for small to medium-sized images, with diminishing returns for larger images.

See Also

Functions

`imrotate` | `imtranslate` | `imwarp` | `warp`

Objects

`affine2d` | `imref2d` | `projective2d`

Introduced in R2017b

warp

Apply geometric transformation

Syntax

```
B = warp(w,A)
```

Description

`B = warp(w,A)` performs the geometrical transformation defined in `w` on input image `A` and returns the warped image in `B`.

Input Arguments

w — Image warper

Warper object

Image warper, specified as a Warper object.

A — Input image

numeric matrix

Input image, specified as a numeric matrix, with size *m*-by-*n* or *m*-by-*n*-by-*p*. The size of `A` must match `w.InputSize`.

Data Types: `single` | `int16` | `uint8`

Output Arguments

B — Transformed image

numeric matrix

Transformed image, returned as a numeric matrix. `B` has the same type as `A` and its first two dimensions are `w.OutputSize`. If `A` has *p* planes, `B` will also have *p* planes.

See Also

Introduced in R2017b

watershed

Watershed transform

The watershed transform finds "catchment basins" or "watershed ridge lines" in an image by treating it as a surface where light pixels represent high elevations and dark pixels represent low elevations. The watershed transform can be used to segment contiguous regions of interest into distinct objects.

Syntax

```
L = watershed(A)
L = watershed(A, conn)
```

Description

`L = watershed(A)` returns a label matrix `L` that identifies the watershed regions of the input matrix `A`.

`L = watershed(A, conn)` specifies the connectivity to be used in the watershed computation.

Examples

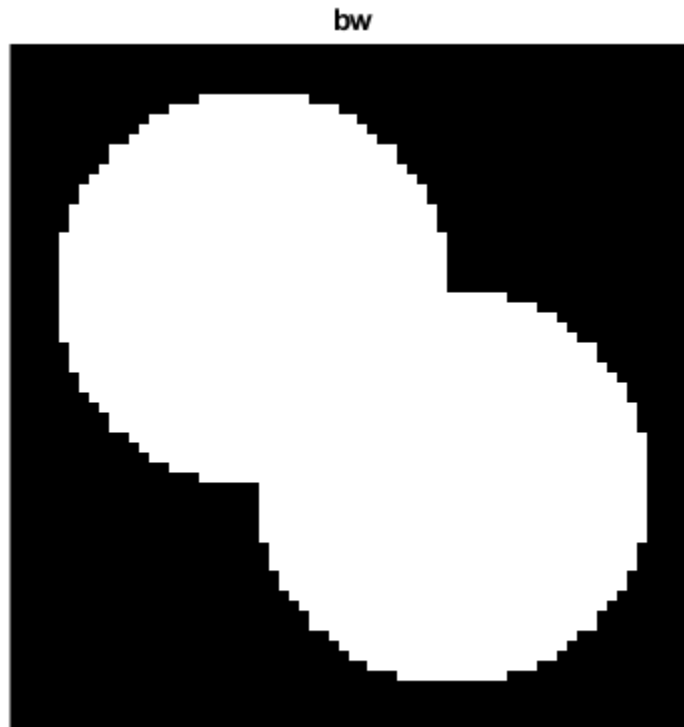
Compute Watershed Transform and Display Resulting Label Matrix

Compute the watershed transform and display the resulting label matrix as an RGB image. This example works with 2-D images.

Create a binary image containing two overlapping circular objects and display it.

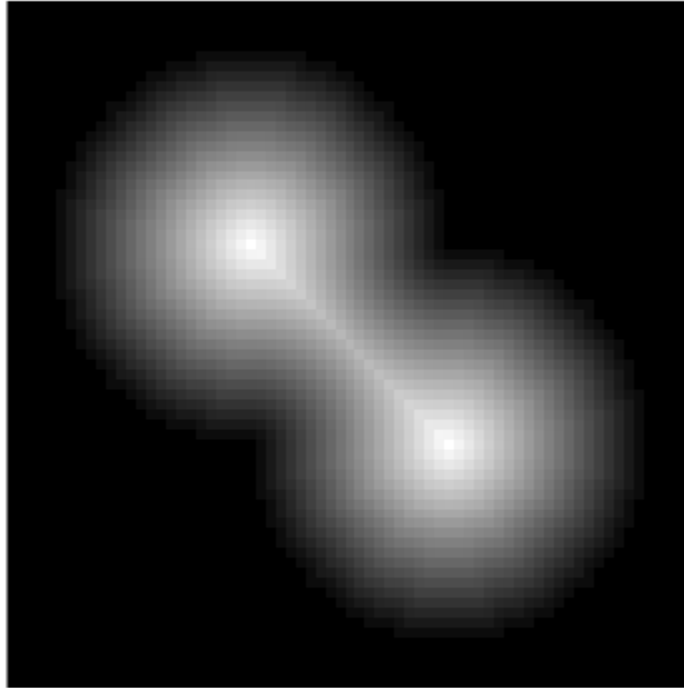
```
center1 = -10;
center2 = -center1;
dist = sqrt(2*(2*center1)^2);
radius = dist/2 * 1.4;
```

```
lims = [floor(center1-1.2*radius) ceil(center2+1.2*radius)];  
[x,y] = meshgrid(lims(1):lims(2));  
bw1 = sqrt((x-center1).^2 + (y-center1).^2) <= radius;  
bw2 = sqrt((x-center2).^2 + (y-center2).^2) <= radius;  
bw = bw1 | bw2;  
figure  
imshow(bw, 'InitialMagnification','fit'), title('bw')
```



Compute the distance transform of the complement of the binary image.

```
D = bwdist(~bw);  
figure  
imshow(D,[], 'InitialMagnification','fit')  
title('Distance transform of ~bw')
```

Distance transform of $\sim bw$ 

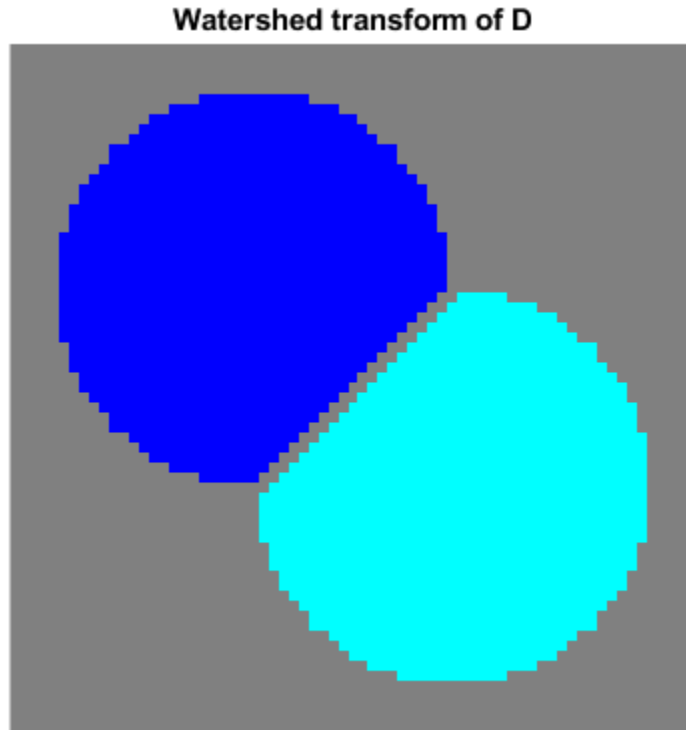
Complement the distance transform, and force pixels that don't belong to the objects to be at Inf .

```
D = -D;  
D(~bw) = Inf;
```

Compute the watershed transform and display the resulting label matrix as an RGB image.

```
L = watershed(D);  
L(~bw) = 0;  
rgb = label2rgb(L, 'jet', [.5 .5 .5]);  
figure
```

```
imshow(rgb, 'InitialMagnification', 'fit')  
title('Watershed transform of D')
```



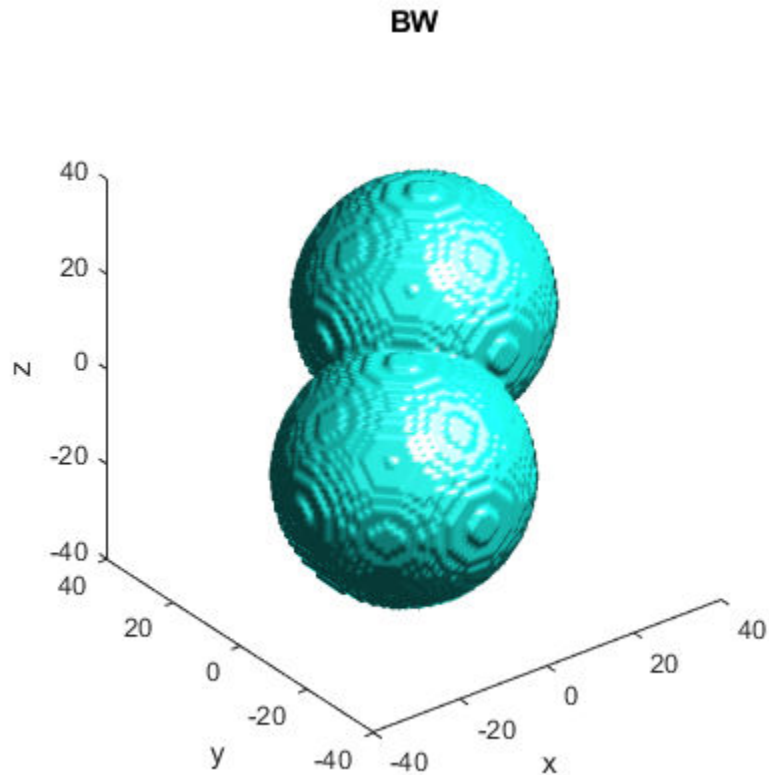
Compute Watershed Transform of 3-D Binary Image

Make a 3-D binary image containing two overlapping spheres.

```
center1 = -10;  
center2 = -center1;  
dist = sqrt(3*(2*center1)^2);  
radius = dist/2 * 1.4;  
lims = [floor(center1-1.2*radius) ceil(center2+1.2*radius)];
```



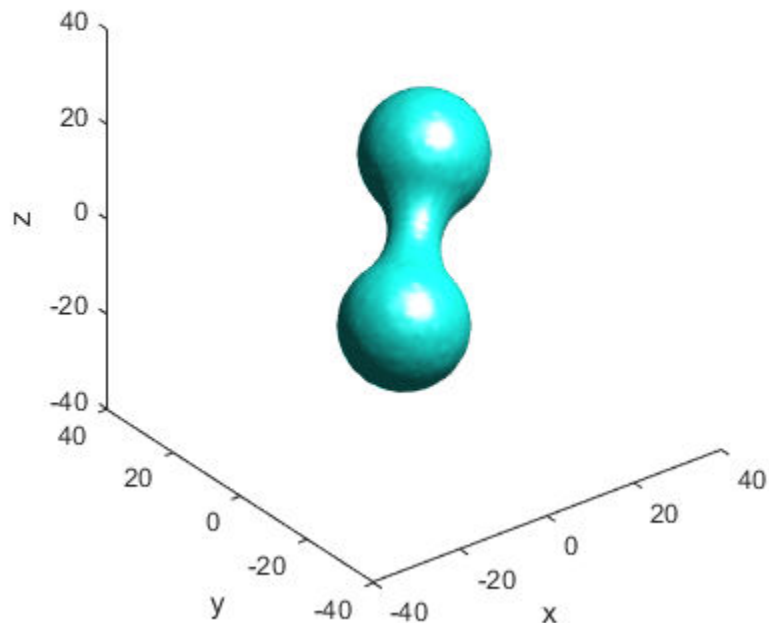
```
[x,y,z] = meshgrid(lims(1):lims(2));  
bw1 = sqrt((x-center1).^2 + (y-center1).^2 + ...  
           (z-center1).^2) <= radius;  
bw2 = sqrt((x-center2).^2 + (y-center2).^2 + ...  
           (z-center2).^2) <= radius;  
bw = bw1 | bw2;  
figure, isosurface(x,y,z,bw,0.5), axis equal, title('BW')  
xlabel x, ylabel y, zlabel z  
xlim(lims), ylim(lims), zlim(lims)  
view(3), camlight, lighting gouraud
```



Compute the distance transform.

```
D = bwdist(~bw);  
figure, isosurface(x,y,z,D,radius/2), axis equal  
title('Isosurface of distance transform')  
xlabel x, ylabel y, zlabel z  
xlim(lims), ylim(lims), zlim(lims)  
view(3), camlight, lighting gouraud
```

Isosurface of distance transform

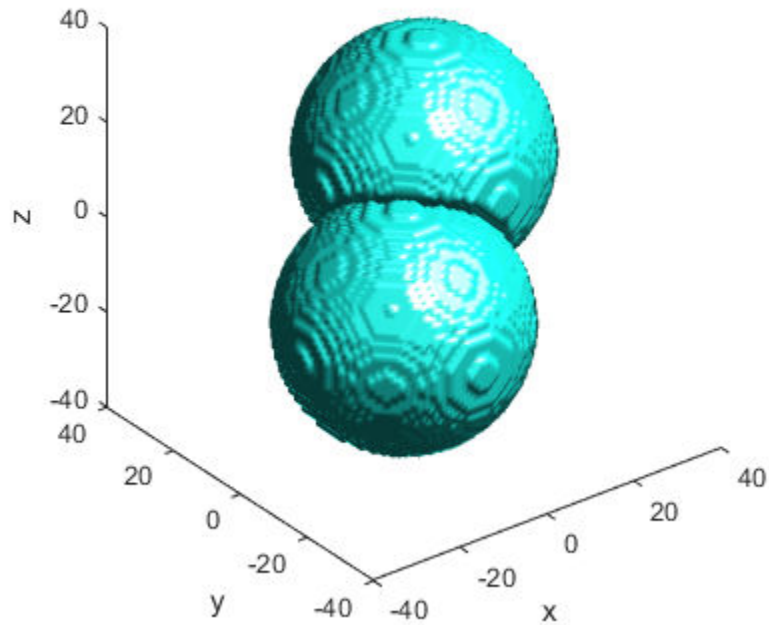


Complement the distance transform, force nonobject pixels to be Inf, and then compute the watershed transform.

```
D = -D;  
D(~bw) = Inf;  
L = watershed(D);  
L(~bw) = 0;
```

```
figure
isosurface(x,y,z,L==1,0.5)
isosurface(x,y,z,L==2,0.5)
axis equal
title('Segmented objects')
xlabel x, ylabel y, zlabel z
xlim(lims), ylim(lims), zlim(lims)
view(3), camlight, lighting gouraud
```

Segmented objects



Input Arguments

A — Input image

numeric array | logical array

Input image, specified as a numeric or logical array of any dimension.

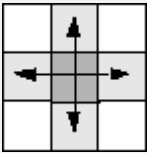
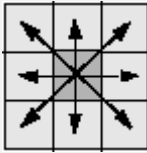
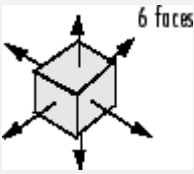
Example: `RGB = imread('pears.png'); I = rgb2gray(RGB);`

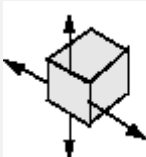
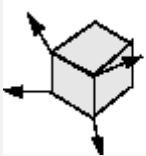
Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

conn — Pixel connectivity

4 | 8 | 6 | 18 | 26 | 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s

Pixel connectivity, specified as one of the values in this table. The default connectivity is 8 for 2-D images, and 26 for 3-D images.

Value	Meaning	
Two-Dimensional Connectivities		
4-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal or vertical direction.	
8-connected	Pixels are connected if their edges or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in the horizontal, vertical, or diagonal direction.	
Three-Dimensional Connectivities		
6-connected	Pixels are connected if their faces touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down 	

Value	Meaning	
18-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces or edges touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges</p>
26-connected	<p>Pixels are connected if their faces, edges, or corners touch. The neighborhood of a pixel are the adjacent pixels in:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One of these directions: in, out, left, right, up, and down • A combination of two directions, such as right-down or in-up • A combination of three directions, such as in-right-up or in-left-down 	 <p>6 faces + 12 edges + 8 corners</p>

For higher dimensions, `watershed` uses the default value `conndef(ndims(A), 'maximal')`.

Connectivity can also be defined in a more general way for any dimension by specifying a 3-by-3-by- ... -by-3 matrix of 0s and 1s. The 1-valued elements define neighborhood locations relative to the center element of `conn`. Note that `conn` must be symmetric about its center element. See “Specifying Custom Connectivities” for more information.

Note If you specify a nondefault connectivity, pixels on the edge of the image might not be considered to be border pixels. For example, if `conn = [0 0 0; 1 1 1; 0 0 0]`, elements on the first and last row are not considered to be border pixels because, according to that connectivity definition, they are not connected to the region outside the image.

Data Types: `double` | `logical`

Output Arguments

L — Label matrix

numeric array of nonnegative integers

Label matrix, specified as a numeric array of nonnegative integers. The elements labeled 0 do not belong to a unique watershed region. The elements labeled 1 belong to the first watershed region, the elements labeled 2 belong to the second watershed region, and so on.

Tips

- The watershed transform algorithm used by this function changed in version 5.4 (R2007a) of the Image Processing Toolbox software. The previous algorithm occasionally produced labeled watershed basins that were not contiguous. If you need to obtain the same results as the previous algorithm, use the function `watershed_old`.
- To prevent oversegmentation, remove shallow minima from the image by using the `imhmin` function before you use the `watershed` function.

Algorithms

`watershed` uses the Fernand Meyer algorithm [1].

References

- [1] Meyer, Fernand, "Topographic distance and watershed lines," *Signal Processing*, Vol. 38, July 1994, pp. 113-125.

Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `watershed` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic `MATLAB Host Computer` target platform, `watershed` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.
- Supports only 2-D images
- Supports only 4 or 8 connectivity
- Supports images containing up to 65,535 regions
- Output type is always `uint16`

See Also

`bwdist` | `bwlabel` | `bwlabeln` | `imhmin` | `regionprops`

Introduced before R2006a

whitepoint

XYZ color values of standard illuminants

Syntax

```
xyz = whitepoint  
xyz = whitepoint(illuminant)
```

Description

`xyz = whitepoint` returns the XYZ value corresponding to the default ICC white reference illuminant, scaled so that $Y = 1$.

`xyz = whitepoint(illuminant)` returns the XYZ value corresponding to the white reference illuminant, `illuminant`, scaled so that $Y = 1$.

Examples

Get XYZ Value of ICC Illuminant

Return the XYZ color space representation of the default white reference illuminant, 'icc'.

```
wp_icc = whitepoint  
wp_icc =  
    0.9642    1.0000    0.8249
```

Note that the second element, corresponding to the Y value, is 1.

Get XYZ Value of d65 Illuminant

Return the XYZ color space representation of the 'd65' white reference illuminant.


```
wp_d65 = whitepoint('d65')
wp_d65 =
    0.9504    1.0000    1.0888
```

Input Arguments

illuminant — White reference illuminant

'icc' (default) | 'a' | 'c' | 'e' | 'd50' | 'd55' | 'd65'

White reference illuminant, specified as one of these values:

Value	White Point
'a'	CIE standard illuminant A, [1.0985, 1.0000, 0.3558]. Simulates typical, domestic, tungsten-filament lighting with correlated color temperature of 2856 K.
'c'	CIE standard illuminant C, [0.9807, 1.0000, 1.1822]. Simulates average or north sky daylight with correlated color temperature of 6774 K. Deprecated by CIE.
'e'	Equal-energy radiator, [1.000, 1.000, 1.000]. Useful as a theoretical reference.
'd50'	CIE standard illuminant D50, [0.9642, 1.0000, 0.8251]. Simulates warm daylight at sunrise or sunset with correlated color temperature of 5003 K. Also known as horizon light.
'd55'	CIE standard illuminant D55, [0.9568, 1.0000, 0.9214]. Simulates mid-morning or mid-afternoon daylight with correlated color temperature of 5500 K.
'd65'	CIE standard illuminant D65, [0.9504, 1.0000, 1.0888]. Simulates noon daylight with correlated color temperature of 6504 K.
'icc'	Profile Connection Space (PCS) illuminant used in ICC profiles. Approximation of [0.9642, 1.000, 0.8249] using fixed-point, signed, 32-bit numbers with 16 fractional bits. Actual value: [31595,32768, 27030]/32768.

Data Types: char | string

Output Arguments

xyz — XYZ values

3-element numeric row vector

XYZ values corresponding to the illuminant, returned as a 3-element numeric row vector. The values are scaled so that $Y = 1$.

Data Types: double

See Also

[applycform](#) | [makecform](#) | [xyz2double](#) | [xyz2lab](#) | [xyz2rgb](#) | [xyz2uint16](#)

Introduced before R2006a

wiener2

2-D adaptive noise-removal filtering

Note The syntax `wiener2(I,[m n],[mblock nblock],noise)` has been removed. Use the `wiener2(I,[m n],noise)` syntax instead.

Syntax

```
J = wiener2(I,[m n],noise)
[J,noise_out] = wiener2(I,[m n])
```

Description

`J = wiener2(I,[m n],noise)` filters the grayscale image `I` using a pixel-wise adaptive low-pass Wiener filter. `[m n]` specifies the size (m-by-n) of the neighborhood used to estimate the local image mean and standard deviation. The additive noise (Gaussian white noise) power is assumed to be `noise`.

The input image has been degraded by constant power additive noise. `wiener2` uses a pixelwise adaptive Wiener method based on statistics estimated from a local neighborhood of each pixel.

`[J,noise_out] = wiener2(I,[m n])` returns the estimates of the additive noise power `wiener2` calculates before doing the filtering.

Examples

Remove Noise By Adaptive Filtering

This example shows how to use the `wiener2` function to apply a Wiener filter (a type of linear filter) to an image adaptively. The Wiener filter tailors itself to the local image variance. Where the variance is large, `wiener2` performs little smoothing. Where the variance is small, `wiener2` performs more smoothing.

This approach often produces better results than linear filtering. The adaptive filter is more selective than a comparable linear filter, preserving edges and other high-frequency parts of an image. In addition, there are no design tasks; the `wiener2` function handles all preliminary computations and implements the filter for an input image. `wiener2`, however, does require more computation time than linear filtering.

`wiener2` works best when the noise is constant-power ("white") additive noise, such as Gaussian noise. The example below applies `wiener2` to an image of Saturn with added Gaussian noise.

Read the image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('saturn.png');
```

Convert the image from truecolor to grayscale.

```
I = rgb2gray(RGB);
```

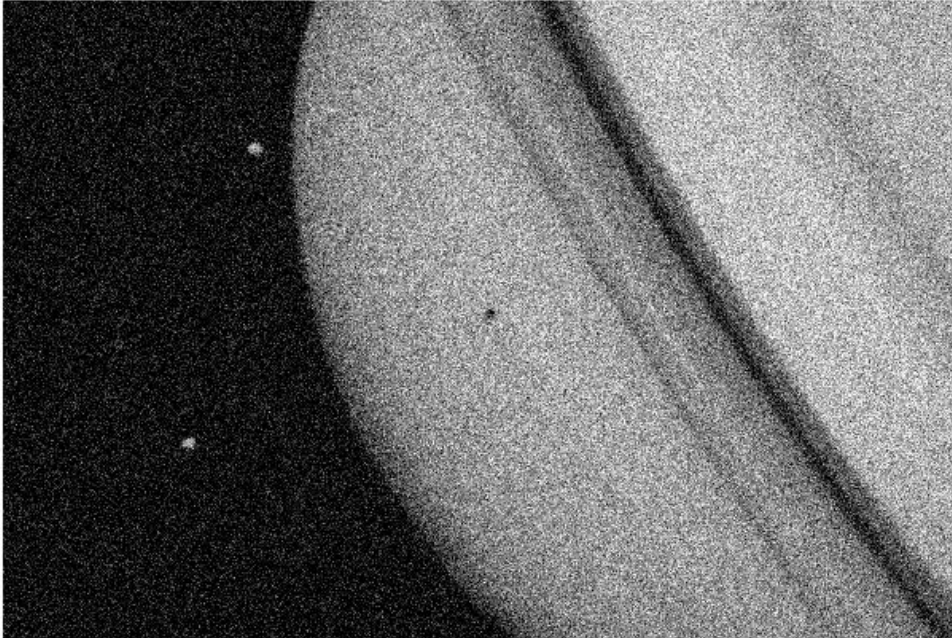
Add Gaussian noise to the image

```
J = imnoise(I,'gaussian',0,0.025);
```

Display the noisy image. Because the image is quite large, display only a portion of the image.

```
imshow(J(600:1000,1:600));  
title('Portion of the Image with Added Gaussian Noise');
```

Portion of the Image with Added Gaussian Noise



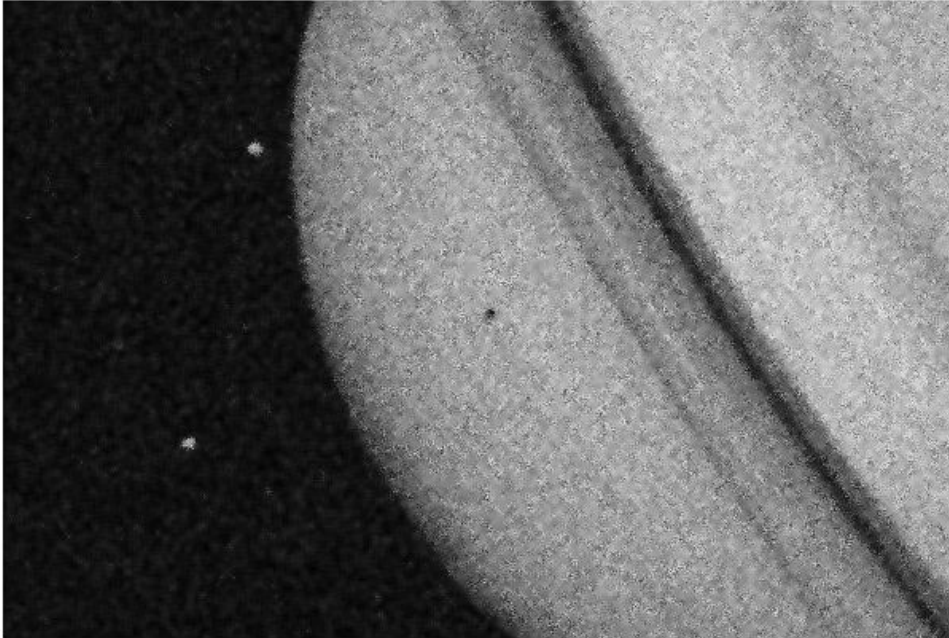
Remove the noise using the `wiener2` function.

```
K = wiener2(J,[5 5]);
```

Display the processed image. Because the image is quite large, display only a portion of the image.

```
figure  
imshow(K(600:1000,1:600));  
title('Portion of the Image with Noise Removed by Wiener Filter');
```

Portion of the Image with Noise Removed by Wiener Filter



Input Arguments

I — Input image

2-D numeric array

Input image, specified as a 2-D numeric array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int16` | `uint8` | `uint16`

[m n] — Neighborhood size

`[3 3]` (default) | 2-element numeric vector of the form `[m n]`

Neighborhood size, specified as a 2-element vector `[m n]` where `m` is the number of rows and `n` is the number of columns. If you omit the `[m n]` argument, `m` and `n` default to 3.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64` | `logical`

noise — Additive noise

`mean2(localVar)` (default) | numeric array

Additive noise, specified as a numeric array. If you do not specify noise, `wiener2` calculates the mean of the local variance, `mean2(localVar)`.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Output Arguments

J — Filtered image

numeric array

Filtered image, returned as a numeric array the same size and class as the input image `I`.

noise_out — Estimate of additive noise power

numeric array

Estimate of additive noise power, returned as a numeric array.

Algorithms

`wiener2` estimates the local mean and variance around each pixel.

$$\mu = \frac{1}{NM} \sum_{n_1, n_2 \in \eta} a(n_1, n_2)$$

and

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{NM} \sum_{n_1, n_2 \in \eta} a^2(n_1, n_2) - \mu^2,$$

where η is the N -by- M local neighborhood of each pixel in the image `A`. `wiener2` then creates a pixelwise Wiener filter using these estimates,

$$b(n_1, n_2) = \mu + \frac{\sigma^2 - \nu^2}{\sigma^2} (a(n_1, n_2) - \mu),$$

where ν^2 is the noise variance. If the noise variance is not given, `wiener2` uses the average of all the local estimated variances.

References

- [1] Lim, Jae S., *Two-Dimensional Signal and Image Processing*, Englewood Cliffs, NJ, Prentice Hall, 1990, p. 548, equations 9.26, 9.27, and 9.29.

See Also

`filter2` | `medfilt2`

Topics

“Remove Noise By Adaptive Filtering”

Introduced before R2006a

worldToIntrinsic

Convert from world to intrinsic coordinates

Syntax

```
[xIntrinsic, yIntrinsic] = worldToIntrinsic(R,xWorld,yWorld)  
[xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic,zIntrinsic] = worldToIntrinsic(R,xWorld,  
yWorld,zWorld)
```

Description

`[xIntrinsic, yIntrinsic] = worldToIntrinsic(R,xWorld,yWorld)` maps points from the 2-D world system (`xWorld,yWorld`) to the 2-D intrinsic system (`xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic`) based on the relationship defined by 2-D spatial referencing object `R`.

If the k th input coordinates (`xWorld(k),yWorld(k)`) fall outside the image bounds in the world coordinate system, `worldToIntrinsic` extrapolates `xIntrinsic(k)` and `yIntrinsic(k)` outside the image bounds in the intrinsic coordinate system.

`[xIntrinsic,yIntrinsic,zIntrinsic] = worldToIntrinsic(R,xWorld,yWorld,zWorld)` maps points from the world coordinate system to the intrinsic coordinate system using 3-D spatial referencing object `R`.

Examples

Convert 2-D World Coordinates to Intrinsic Coordinates

Read a 2-D grayscale image of a knee into the workspace.

```
m = dicominfo('knee1.dcm');  
A = dicomread(m);
```

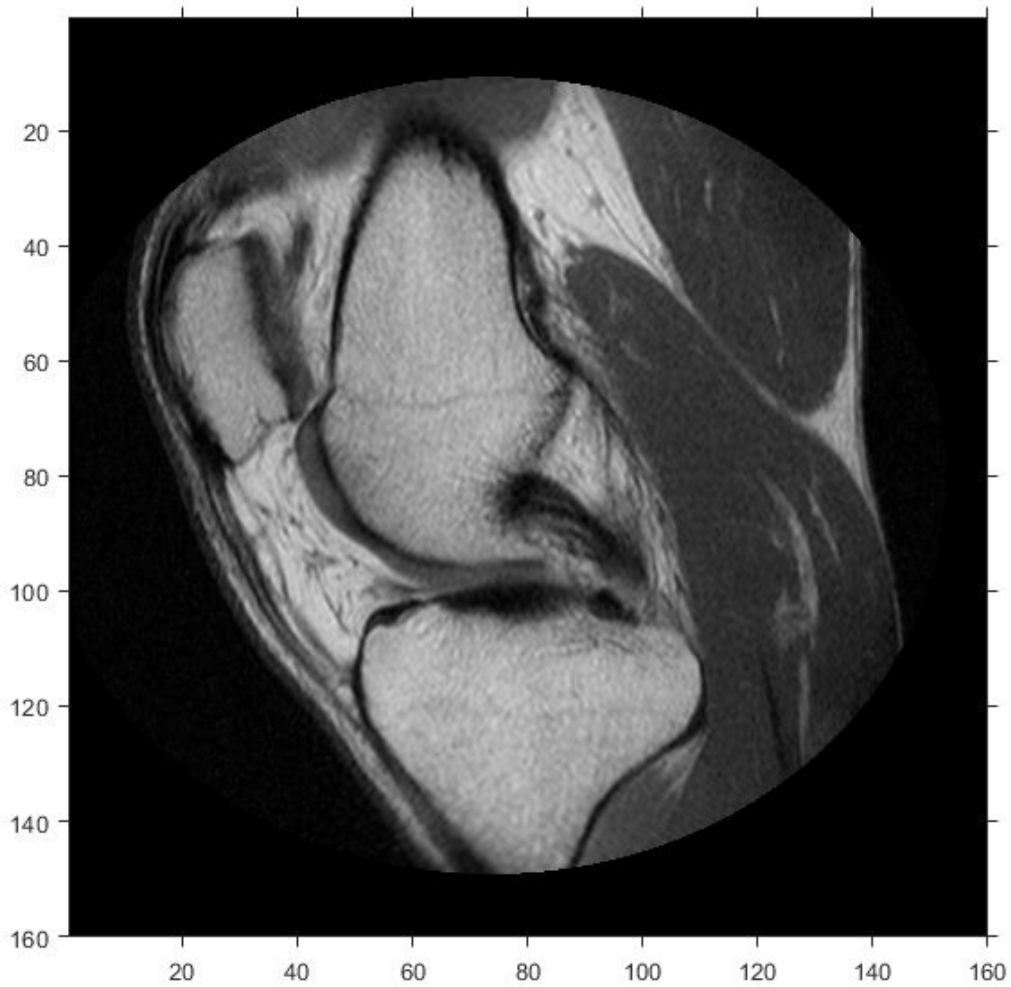
Create an `imref2d` object, specifying the size and the resolution of the pixels. The DICOM file contains a metadata field `PixelSpacing` that specifies the image resolution in each dimension in millimeters per pixel.

```
RA = imref2d(size(A),m.PixelSpacing(2),m.PixelSpacing(1))
```

```
RA =  
  imref2d with properties:  
  
      XWorldLimits: [0.1563 160.1563]  
      YWorldLimits: [0.1563 160.1563]  
      ImageSize: [512 512]  
PixelExtentInWorldX: 0.3125  
PixelExtentInWorldY: 0.3125  
ImageExtentInWorldX: 160  
ImageExtentInWorldY: 160  
  XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]  
  YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]
```

Display the image, including the spatial referencing object. The axes coordinates reflect the world coordinates. Notice that the coordinate (0,0) is in the upper left corner.

```
figure  
imshow(A,RA,'DisplayRange',[0 512])
```



Select sample points, and store their world x - and y - coordinates in vectors. For example, the first point has world coordinates $(38.44, 68.75)$, the second point is 1 mm to the right of it, and the third point is 7 mm below it. The last point is outside the image boundary.

```
xW = [38.44 39.44 38.44 -0.2];  
yW = [68.75 68.75 75.75 -1];
```

Convert the world coordinates to intrinsic coordinates using `worldToIntrinsic`.

```
[xI, yI] = worldToIntrinsic(RA,xW,yW)
```

```
xI = 1×4
```

```
123.0080 126.2080 123.0080 -0.6400
```

```
yI = 1×4
```

```
220.0000 220.0000 242.4000 -3.2000
```

The resulting vectors are the intrinsic x - and y - coordinates in units of pixels. Note that the intrinsic coordinate system is continuous, and some returned intrinsic coordinates have noninteger values. Also, `worldToIntrinsic` extrapolates the intrinsic coordinates of the point outside the image boundary.

Convert 3-D World Coordinates to Intrinsic Coordinates

Read a 3-D volume into the workspace. This image consists of 27 frames of 128-by-128 pixel images.

```
load mri;  
D = squeeze(D);  
D = ind2gray(D,map);
```

Create an `imref3d` spatial referencing object associated with the volume. For illustrative purposes, provide a pixel resolution in each dimension. The resolution is in millimeters per pixel.

```
R = imref3d(size(D),2,2,4)
```

```
R =  
imref3d with properties:
```

```
    XWorldLimits: [1 257]  
    YWorldLimits: [1 257]
```

```

        ZWorldLimits: [2 110]
        ImageSize: [128 128 27]
PixelExtentInWorldX: 2
PixelExtentInWorldY: 2
PixelExtentInWorldZ: 4
ImageExtentInWorldX: 256
ImageExtentInWorldY: 256
ImageExtentInWorldZ: 108
    XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
    YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
    ZIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]

```

Select sample points, and store their world x -, y -, and z -coordinates in vectors. For example, the first point has world coordinates (108,92,52), the second point is 3 mm above it in the $+z$ -direction, and the third point is 0.2 mm to the right of it in the $+x$ -direction. The last point is outside the image boundary.

```

xW = [108 108 108.2 2];
yW = [92 92 92 -1];
zW = [52 55 52 0.33];

```

Convert the world coordinates to intrinsic coordinates using `worldToIntrinsic`.

```
[xI, yI, zI] = worldToIntrinsic(R,xW,yW,zW)
```

```
xI = 1×4
```

```
54.0000    54.0000    54.1000    1.0000
```

```
yI = 1×4
```

```
46.0000    46.0000    46.0000   -0.5000
```

```
zI = 1×4
```

```
13.0000    13.7500    13.0000    0.0825
```

The resulting vectors are the intrinsic x -, y -, and z -coordinates in units of pixels. Note that the intrinsic coordinate system is continuous, and some returned intrinsic coordinates have noninteger values. Also, `worldToIntrinsic` extrapolates the intrinsic coordinates of the point outside the image boundary.

Input Arguments

R — Spatial referencing object

imref2d or imref3d object

Spatial referencing object, specified as an imref2d or imref3d object.

xWorld — Coordinates along the x-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the x-dimension in the world coordinate system, returned as a numeric scalar or vector.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

yWorld — Coordinates along the y-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the y-dimension in the world coordinate system, returned as a numeric scalar or vector. **yWorld** is the same length as **xWorld**.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

zWorld — Coordinates along the z-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the z-dimension in the world coordinate system, returned as a numeric scalar or vector. **zWorld** is the same length as **xWorld**.

Data Types: single | double | int8 | int16 | int32 | int64 | uint8 | uint16 | uint32 | uint64

Output Arguments

xIntrinsic — Coordinates along the x-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the x-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `xIntrinsic` is the same length as `xWorld`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

yIntrinsic — Coordinates along the y-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the y-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `yIntrinsic` is the same length as `xWorld`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

zIntrinsic — Coordinates along the z-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the z-dimension in the intrinsic coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `zIntrinsic` is the same length as `xWorld` and `yWorld`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

See Also

`imref2d` | `imref3d` | `intrinsicToWorld` | `worldToSubscript`

Introduced in R2013a

worldToSubscript

Convert world coordinates to row and column subscripts

Syntax

```
[I, J] = worldToSubscript(R,xWorld,yWorld)
[I, J, K] = worldToSubscript(R,xWorld,yWorld,zWorld)
```

Description

[I, J] = worldToSubscript(R,xWorld,yWorld) maps points from the 2-D world system (xWorld,yWorld) to subscript arrays I and J based on the relationship defined by 2-D spatial referencing object R.

If the *k*th input coordinates (xWorld(*k*),yWorld(*k*)) fall outside the image bounds in the world coordinate system, worldToSubscript sets the corresponding subscripts I(*k*) and J(*k*) to NaN.

[I, J, K] = worldToSubscript(R,xWorld,yWorld,zWorld) maps points from the 3-D world system to subscript arrays I, J, and K, using 3-D spatial referencing object R.

Examples

Convert 2-D World Coordinates to Row and Column Subscripts

Read a 2-D grayscale image of a knee into the workspace.

```
m = dicominfo('knee1.dcm');
A = dicomread(m);
```

Create an imref2d object, specifying the size and the resolution of the pixels. The DICOM file contains a metadata field PixelSpacing that specifies the image resolution in each dimension in millimeters per pixel.


```
RA = imref2d(size(A),m.PixelSpacing(2),m.PixelSpacing(1))
```

```
RA =
```

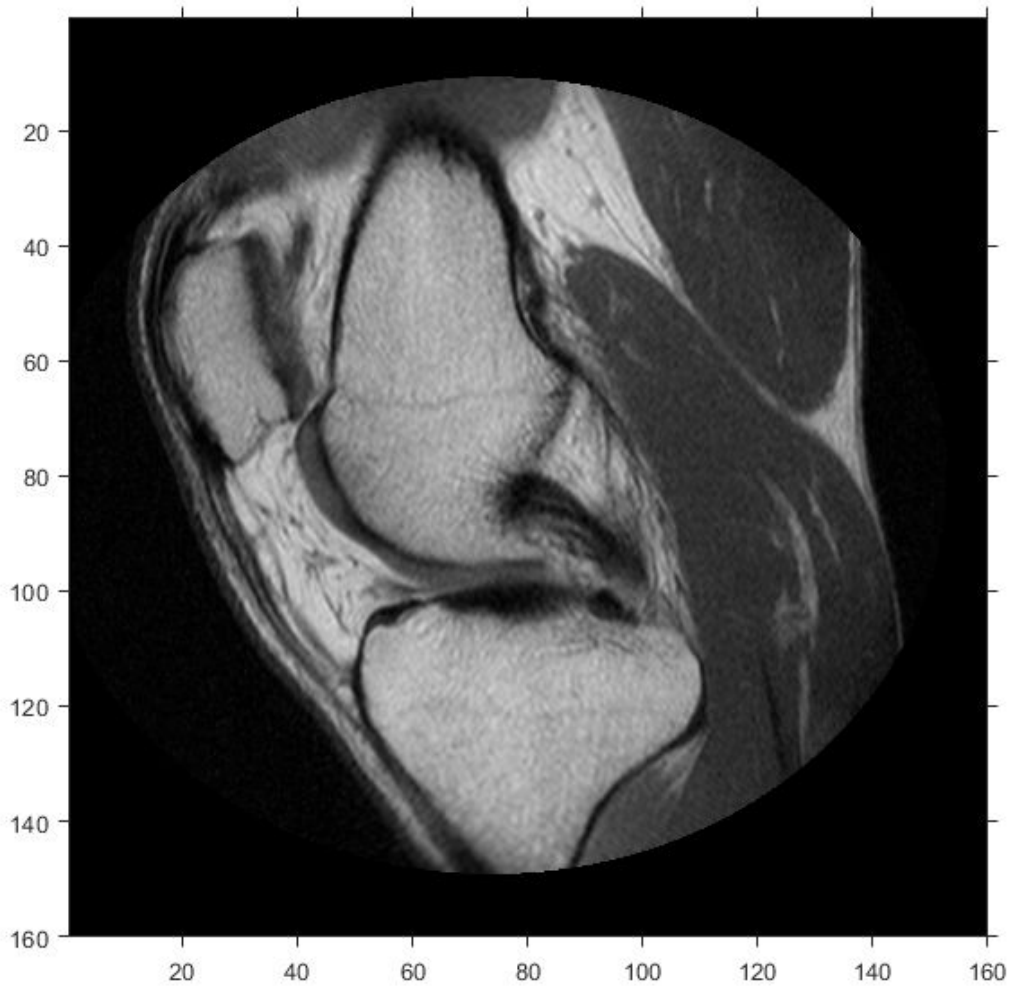
```
imref2d with properties:
```

```
    XWorldLimits: [0.1563 160.1563]
    YWorldLimits: [0.1563 160.1563]
    ImageSize: [512 512]
PixelExtentInWorldX: 0.3125
PixelExtentInWorldY: 0.3125
ImageExtentInWorldX: 160
ImageExtentInWorldY: 160
    XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]
    YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 512.5000]
```

Display the image, including the spatial referencing object. The axes coordinates reflect the world coordinates. Notice that the coordinate (0,0) is in the upper left corner.

```
figure
```

```
imshow(A,RA, 'DisplayRange',[0 512])
```



Select sample points, and store their world x - and y - coordinates in vectors. For example, the first point has world coordinates $(38.44, 68.75)$, the second point is 1 mm to the right of it, and the third point is 7 mm below it. The last point is outside the image boundary.

```
xW = [38.44 39.44 38.44 -0.2];
yW = [68.75 68.75 75.75 1];
```

Convert the world coordinates to row and column subscripts using `worldToSubscript`.

```
[rS, cS] = worldToSubscript(RA,xW,yW)
```

```
rS = 1×4
```

```
    220    220    242    NaN
```

```
cS = 1×4
```

```
    123    126    123    NaN
```

The resulting vectors contain the row and column indices that are closest to the point. Note that the indices are discrete, and that points outside the image boundary have `NaN` for both row and column indices.

Also, the order of the input and output coordinates is reversed. The world x -coordinate vector, `xW`, corresponds to the second output vector, `cS`. The world y -coordinate vector, `yW`, corresponds to the first output vector, `rS`.

Convert 3-D World Coordinates to Row, Column, and Plane Subscripts

Read a 3-D volume into the workspace. This image consists of 27 frames of 128-by-128 pixel images.

```
load mri;
D = squeeze(D);
D = ind2gray(D,map);
```

Create an `imref3d` spatial referencing object associated with the volume. For illustrative purposes, provide a pixel resolution in each dimension. The resolution is in millimeters per pixel.

```
R = imref3d(size(D),2,2,4)
```

```
R =
    imref3d with properties:
```

```
XWorldLimits: [1 257]
YWorldLimits: [1 257]
ZWorldLimits: [2 110]
  ImageSize: [128 128 27]
PixelExtentInWorldX: 2
PixelExtentInWorldY: 2
PixelExtentInWorldZ: 4
ImageExtentInWorldX: 256
ImageExtentInWorldY: 256
ImageExtentInWorldZ: 108
  XIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
  YIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 128.5000]
  ZIntrinsicLimits: [0.5000 27.5000]
```

Select sample points, and store their world x -, y -, and z -coordinates in vectors. For example, the first point has world coordinates (108,92,52), the second point is 3 mm above it in the $+z$ -direction, and the third point is 5.2 mm to the right of it in the $+x$ -direction. The last point is outside the image boundary.

```
xW = [108 108 113.2 2];
yW = [92 92 92 -1];
zW = [52 55 52 0.33];
```

Convert the world coordinates to row, column, and plane subscripts using `worldToSubscript`.

```
[rS, cS, pS] = worldToSubscript(R,xW,yW,zW)
```

```
rS = 1×4
```

```
    46    46    46   NaN
```

```
cS = 1×4
```

```
    54    54    57   NaN
```

```
pS = 1×4
```

```
    13    14    13   NaN
```

The resulting vectors contain the column, row, and plane indices that are closest to the point. Note that the indices are discrete, and that points outside the image boundary have index values of NaN.

Also, the order of the input and output coordinates is reversed. The world x-coordinate vector, `xW`, corresponds to the second output vector, `cS`. The world y-coordinate vector, `yW`, corresponds to the first output vector, `rS`.

Input Arguments

R — Spatial referencing object

`imref2d` or `imref3d` object

Spatial referencing object, specified as an `imref2d` or `imref3d` object.

xWorld — Coordinates along the x-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the x-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

yWorld — Coordinates along the y-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the y-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `yWorld` is the same length as `xWorld`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

zWorld — Coordinates along the z-dimension in the world coordinate system

numeric scalar or vector

Coordinates along the z-dimension in the world coordinate system, specified as a numeric scalar or vector. `zWorld` is the same length as `xWorld`.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `int8` | `int16` | `int32` | `int64` | `uint8` | `uint16` | `uint32` | `uint64`

Output Arguments

I — Row indices

positive integer scalar or vector

Row indices, returned as a positive integer scalar or vector. I is the same length as `yWorld`. For an m -by- n or m -by- n -by- p image, $1 \leq I \leq m$.

Data Types: double

J — Column indices

positive integer scalar or vector

Column indices, returned as a positive integer scalar or vector. J is the same length as `xWorld`. For an m -by- n or m -by- n -by- p image, $1 \leq J \leq n$.

Data Types: double

K — Plane indices

positive integer scalar or vector

Plane indices, returned as a positive integer scalar or vector. K is the same length as `zWorld`. For an m -by- n -by- p image, $1 \leq K \leq p$.

Data Types: double

See Also

`imref2d` | `imref3d` | `worldToIntrinsic`

Introduced in R2013a

xyz2double

Convert XYZ color values to double

Syntax

```
xyzD = xyz2double(xyz)
```

Description

`xyzD = xyz2double(xyz)` converts XYZ color values to type double.

Examples

Convert XYZ Color Values to double

This example shows how to convert uint16-encoded XYZ values to double.

Create a uint16 vector specifying a color in XYZ colorspace.

```
c = uint16([100 32768 65535]);
```

Convert the XYZ color value to double.

```
xyz2double(c)
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    0.0031    1.0000    2.0000
```

Input Arguments

xyz — Color values to convert

m-by-3 matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array

Color values to convert, specified as a *m*-by-3 matrix of color values (one color per row), or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array. The input *xyz* matrix must be real and nonsparse.

Data Types: `uint16`

Output Arguments

xyzD — Converted color values

numeric array

Converted color values, returned as a numeric array of same size as the input.

Data Types: `double`

Algorithms

The Image Processing Toolbox software follows the convention that double-precision XYZ arrays contain 1931 CIE XYZ values (2° observer). The XYZ arrays that are `uint16` follow the convention in the ICC profile specification (ICC.1:2001-4, www.color.org) for representing XYZ values as unsigned 16-bit integers. There is no standard representation of XYZ values as unsigned 8-bit integers. The ICC encoding convention is illustrated by this table.

Value (X, Y, or Z)	<code>uint16</code> Value
0.0	0
1.0	32768
1.0 + (32767/32768)	65535

See Also

`applycform` | `lab2double` | `lab2uint16` | `lab2uint8` | `makecform` | `whitepoint` | `xyz2uint16`

Introduced before R2006a

xyz2rgb

Convert CIE 1931 XYZ to RGB

Syntax

```
rgb = xyz2rgb(xyz)
rgb = xyz2rgb(xyz, Name, Value)
```

Description

`rgb = xyz2rgb(xyz)` converts CIE 1931 XYZ values (2° observer) to sRGB values.

`rgb = xyz2rgb(xyz, Name, Value)` specifies additional conversion options, such as the color space of the RGB image, using one or more name-value pair arguments.

Examples

Convert XYZ color to sRGB

Convert a color value in the XYZ color space to the sRGB color space.

```
xyz2rgb([0.25 0.40 0.10])
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    0.4174    0.7434    0.2152
```

Convert XYZ Color to Adobe RGB

Convert the color value in XYZ color space to the Adobe RGB (1998) color space.

```
xyz2rgb([0.25 0.40 0.10], 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998')
```

```
ans = 1×3
    0.5323    0.7377    0.2730
```

Convert XYZ color to sRGB Specifying Whitepoint

Convert an XYZ color value to sRGB specifying the D50 whitepoint.

```
xyz2rgb([0.25 0.40 0.10], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')
```

```
ans = 1×3
    0.3276    0.7517    0.2869
```

Convert XYZ color to 8-bit-encoded RGB Color

Convert an XYZ color value to an 8-bit encoded RGB color value.

```
xyz2rgb([0.25 0.40 0.10], 'OutputType', 'uint8')
```

```
ans = 1×3 uint8 row vector
    106    190    55
```

Input Arguments

xyz — XYZ color values

numeric array

XYZ color values to convert, specified as a numeric array in one of the following formats.

- *c*-by-3 colormap. Each row specifies one XYZ color value.
- *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image

- *m-by-n-by-3-by-p* stack of images

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, . . . , NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `xyz2rgb([0.25 0.40 0.10], 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998')`

ColorSpace — Color space of the output RGB values

`'srgb'` (default) | `'adobe-rgb-1998'` | `'linear-rgb'`

Color space of the output RGB values, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'ColorSpace'` and `'srgb'`, `'adobe-rgb-1998'`, or `'linear-rgb'`. If you specify `'linear-rgb'`, then `xyz2rgb` returns linearized sRGB values.

Data Types: `char`

WhitePoint — Reference white point

`'d65'` (default) | `'a'` | `'c'` | `'e'` | `'d50'` | `'d55'` | `'icc'` | 1-by-3 vector

Reference white point, specified as the comma-separated pair consisting of `'WhitePoint'` and a 1-by-3 vector or one of the CIE standard illuminants listed in the following table.

Value	White Point
<code>'a'</code>	CIE standard illuminant A, [1.0985, 1.0000, 0.3558]. Simulates typical, domestic, tungsten-filament lighting with correlated color temperature of 2856 K.
<code>'c'</code>	CIE standard illuminant C, [0.9807, 1.0000, 1.1822]. Simulates average or north sky daylight with correlated color temperature of 6774 K. Deprecated by CIE.
<code>'e'</code>	Equal-energy radiator, [1.000, 1.000, 1.000]. Useful as a theoretical reference.

Value	White Point
'd50'	CIE standard illuminant D50, [0.9642, 1.0000, 0.8251]. Simulates warm daylight at sunrise or sunset with correlated color temperature of 5003 K. Also known as horizon light.
'd55'	CIE standard illuminant D55, [0.9568, 1.0000, 0.9214]. Simulates mid-morning or mid-afternoon daylight with correlated color temperature of 5500 K.
'd65'	CIE standard illuminant D65, [0.9504, 1.0000, 1.0888]. Simulates noon daylight with correlated color temperature of 6504 K.
'icc'	Profile Connection Space (PCS) illuminant used in ICC profiles. Approximation of [0.9642, 1.000, 0.8249] using fixed-point, signed, 32-bit numbers with 16 fractional bits. Actual value: [31595, 32768, 27030]/32768.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `char`

OutputType — Data type of returned RGB values

'double' | 'single' | 'uint8' | 'uint16'

Data type of returned RGB values, specified as one of the following values: 'double', 'single', 'uint8', or 'uint16'. If you do not specify `OutputType`, the output type is the same type as the input.

Data Types: `char`

Output Arguments

rgb — Converted RGB color values

numeric array

Converted RGB color values, returned as a numeric array of the same size as the input. The output type is the same as the input type unless you specify the `OutputType` parameter.

Tips

- If you specify the output RGB color space as `'linear-rgb'`, then the output values are linearized sRGB values. If instead you want the output color space to be linearized Adobe RGB (1998), then you can use the `rgb2lin` function.

For example, to convert CIE 1931 XYZ image XYZ to linearized Adobe RGB (1998) color space, perform the conversion in two steps:

```
RGBadobe = xyz2rgb(XYZ, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');  
RGBlinadobe = rgb2lin(RGBadobe, 'ColorSpace', 'adobe-rgb-1998');
```

See Also

[lab2rgb](#) | [rgb2lin](#) | [rgb2xyz](#) | [xyz2lab](#)

Introduced in R2014b

xyz2lab

Convert CIE 1931 XYZ to CIE 1976 L*a*b*

Syntax

```
lab = xyz2lab(xyz)
lab = xyz2lab(xyz,Name,Value)
```

Description

`lab = xyz2lab(xyz)` converts CIE 1931 XYZ values (2° observer) to CIE 1976 L*a*b* values.

`lab = xyz2lab(xyz,Name,Value)` specifies additional options with one or more name-value pair arguments.

Examples

Convert XYZ Color to L*a*b*

Convert an XYZ color value to L*a*b* using the default reference white point, D65.

```
xyz2lab([0.25 0.40 0.10])
```

```
ans = 1×3
```

```
    69.4695   -48.0439    57.1259
```

Convert XYZ Color to L*a*b* Specifying Whitepoint

Convert an XYZ color value to L*a*b* specifying the D50 whitepoint.

```
xyz2lab([0.25 0.40 0.10], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')  
ans = 1×3  
    69.4695   -49.5717    48.3864
```

Input Arguments

xyz — Color values to convert

c-by-3 matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array | *m*-by-*n*-by-3-by-*f* image stack

Color values to convert, specified as a *c*-by-3 matrix of color values (one color per row), an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array, or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3-by-*f* image stack.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

Name-Value Pair Arguments

Specify optional comma-separated pairs of `Name`, `Value` arguments. `Name` is the argument name and `Value` is the corresponding value. `Name` must appear inside quotes. You can specify several name and value pair arguments in any order as `Name1, Value1, ..., NameN, ValueN`.

Example: `xyz2lab([0.25 0.40 0.10], 'WhitePoint', 'd50')`

WhitePoint — Reference white point

'd65' (default) | 'a' | 'c' | 'e' | 'd50' | 'd55' | 'icc' | 1-by-3 vector

Reference white point, specified as a 1-by-3 vector or one of the CIE standard illuminants, listed in the following table.

Value	White Point
'a'	CIE standard illuminant A, [1.0985, 1.0000, 0.3558]. Simulates typical, domestic, tungsten-filament lighting with correlated color temperature of 2856 K.
'c'	CIE standard illuminant C, [0.9807, 1.0000, 1.1822]. Simulates average or north sky daylight with correlated color temperature of 6774 K. Deprecated by CIE.

Value	White Point
'e'	Equal-energy radiator, [1.000, 1.000, 1.000]. Useful as a theoretical reference.
'd50'	CIE standard illuminant D50, [0.9642, 1.0000, 0.8251]. Simulates warm daylight at sunrise or sunset with correlated color temperature of 5003 K. Also known as horizon light.
'd55'	CIE standard illuminant D55, [0.9568, 1.0000, 0.9214]. Simulates mid-morning or mid-afternoon daylight with correlated color temperature of 5500 K.
'd65'	CIE standard illuminant D65, [0.9504, 1.0000, 1.0888]. Simulates noon daylight with correlated color temperature of 6504 K.
'icc'	Profile Connection Space (PCS) illuminant used in ICC profiles. Approximation of [0.9642, 1.000, 0.8249] using fixed-point, signed, 32-bit numbers with 16 fractional bits. Actual value: [31595,32768, 27030]/32768.

Data Types: single | double | char

Output Arguments

lab — Converted color values

numeric array

Converted color values, returned as a numeric array of the same shape and type as the input.

See Also

lab2xyz | rgb2lab | xyz2rgb

Introduced in R2014b

xyz2uint16

Convert XYZ color values to `uint16`

Syntax

```
xyz16 = xyz2uint16(xyz)
```

Description

`xyz16 = xyz2uint16(xyz)` converts XYZ color values to type `uint16`.

Examples

Convert XYZ Color Values to `uint16`

This example shows how to convert XYZ color values from `double` to `uint16`.

Create a `double` vector specifying a color in XYZ colorspace.

```
c = [0.1 0.5 1.0];
```

Convert the XYZ color value to `uint16`.

```
xyz2uint16(c)
```

```
ans = 1x3 uint16 row vector
```

```
    3277    16384    32768
```

Input Arguments

xyz — Color values to convert

m-by-3 matrix | *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array

Color values to convert, specified as a *m*-by-3 matrix of color values (one color per row), or an *m*-by-*n*-by-3 image array. The input xyz matrix must be real and nonsparse.

Data Types: double

Output Arguments

xyz16 — Converted color values

numeric array

Converted color values, returned as a numeric array of the same size as the input.

Data Types: uint16

Algorithms

The Image Processing Toolbox software follows the convention that double-precision XYZ arrays contain 1931 CIE XYZ values (2° observer). The XYZ arrays that are uint16 follow the convention in the ICC profile specification (ICC.1:2001-4, www.color.org) for representing XYZ values as unsigned 16-bit integers. There is no standard representation of XYZ values as unsigned 8-bit integers. The ICC encoding convention is illustrated by this table.

Value (X, Y, or Z)	uint16 Value
0.0	0
1.0	32768
1.0 + (32767/32768)	65535

See Also

applycform | lab2double | lab2uint16 | lab2uint8 | makecform | whitepoint | xyz2double

Introduced before R2006a

ycbcr2rgb

Convert YCbCr color values to RGB color space

Syntax

```
rgbmap = ycbcr2rgb(ycbcrmap)  
RGB = ycbcr2rgb(YCBCR)
```

Description

`rgbmap = ycbcr2rgb(ycbcrmap)` converts the YCbCr color space values in `ycbcrmap` to the RGB color space. `ycbcrmap` is an m -by-3 matrix that contains the YCbCr luminance (Y) and chrominance (C_b and C_r) color values as columns. Each row in `rgbmap` represents the equivalent color to the corresponding row in `ycbcrmap`.

You optionally can perform the conversion using a GPU (requires Parallel Computing Toolbox). For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

`RGB = ycbcr2rgb(YCBCR)` converts the YCbCr image `YCBCR` to the equivalent truecolor image `RGB`.

Examples

Convert Image from YCbCr to RGB

This example shows how to convert an image from RGB to YCbCr color space and back.

Read an RGB image into the workspace.

```
RGB = imread('board.tif');
```

Convert the image to YCbCr color space.

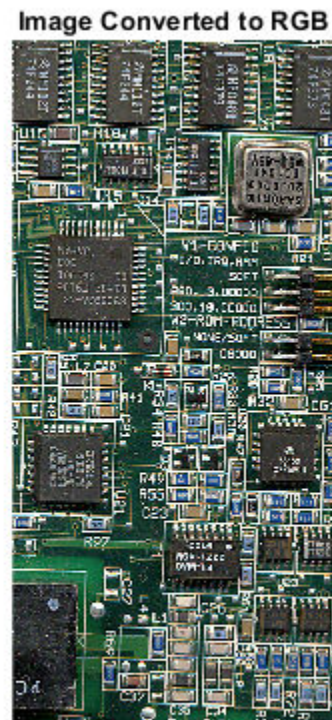
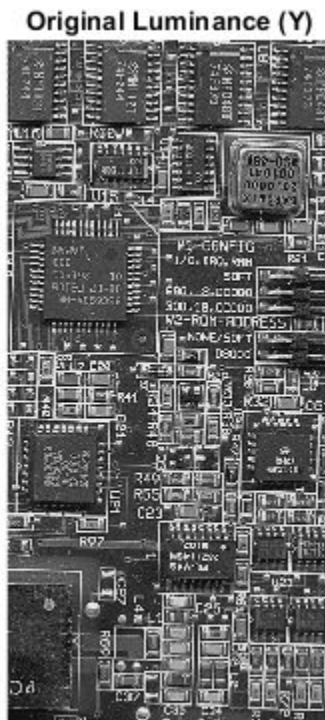
```
YCBCR = rgb2ycbcr(RGB);
```

Convert the YCbCr image back to RGB color space.

```
RGB2 = ycbcr2rgb(YCBCR);
```

Display the luminance channel of the image in YCbCr color space alongside the image that was converted from YCbCr to RGB color space.

```
figure  
subplot(1,2,1)  
imshow(YCBCR(:,:,1))  
title('Original Luminance (Y)');  
subplot(1,2,2)  
imshow(RGB2);  
title('Image Converted to RGB');
```



Input Arguments

ycbcrmap — YCbCr color space values

c-by-3 matrix | gpuArray

YCbCr color space values, specified as a c-by-3 matrix representing *c* colors. The first column corresponds to luminance *Y*. The second and third columns correspond to chrominance *Cb* and *Cr*.

To perform the conversion using a GPU, specify `ycbcrmap` as a `gpuArray` that contains a c-by-3 matrix.

Data Types: `single` | `double`

YCBCR — YCbCr image

m-by-n-by-3 array | gpuArray

YCbCr image, specified as an m-by-n-by-3 array.

To perform the conversion using a GPU, specify `YCBCR` as a `gpuArray` that contains an m-by-n-by-3 array.

Data Types: `single` | `double` | `uint8` | `uint16`

Output Arguments

rgbmap — RGB color space values

c-by-3 matrix | gpuArray

RGB color space values, returned as a c-by-3 matrix. The three columns represent the red, green, and blue channels.

If the conversion is performed using a GPU, then `rgbmap` is returned as a `gpuArray` containing a c-by-3 matrix.

RGB — Image in RGB color space

m-by-n-by-3 array | gpuArray

Image in RGB color space, returned as an m-by-n-by-3 array.

If the conversion is performed using a GPU, then RGB is returned as a `gpuArray` containing an `m-by-n-by-3` array.

References

- [1] Poynton, C. A. *Technical Introduction to Digital Video*, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1996, p. 175.
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Extended Capabilities

C/C++ Code Generation

Generate C and C++ code using MATLAB® Coder™.

Usage notes and limitations:

- `ycbcr2rgb` supports the generation of C code (requires MATLAB Coder). Note that if you choose the generic MATLAB Host Computer target platform, `ycbcr2rgb` generates code that uses a precompiled, platform-specific shared library. Use of a shared library preserves performance optimizations but limits the target platforms for which code can be generated. For more information, see “Code Generation Using a Shared Library”.

GPU Arrays

Accelerate code by running on a graphics processing unit (GPU) using Parallel Computing Toolbox™.

This function fully supports GPU arrays. For more information, see “Image Processing on a GPU”.

See Also

[ntsc2rgb](#) | [rgb2ntsc](#) | [rgb2ycbcr](#)

Introduced before R2006a

