

Image Processing ToolBox (IPT)

"MATLAB"

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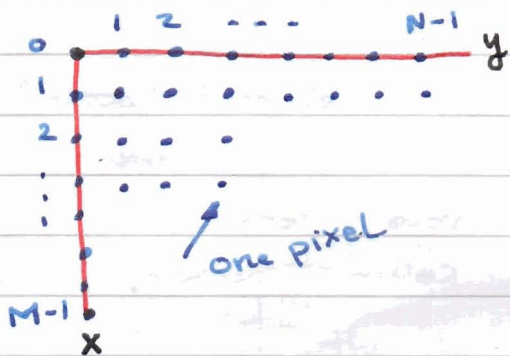
IPT is a Collection of functions that extend the capability of the Matlab numeric computing environment, and support a wide range of image processing, including.

- Spatial image transformation
- Morphological operation
Neighborhood and block operations.
- linear filtering and filter design
- Transform
- Image enhancement & analysis
- Deblurring
- Region of interest operations

Coordinate conventions:

The result of sampling and quantization is a matrix of real numbers, Two principal ways are used to represent digital image:

1. **first convention:** (used in many image processing books)



• Image origin is defined to be at $(x,y) = (0,0)$, the next coordinate values along the first row of the image are $(x,y) = (0,1)$

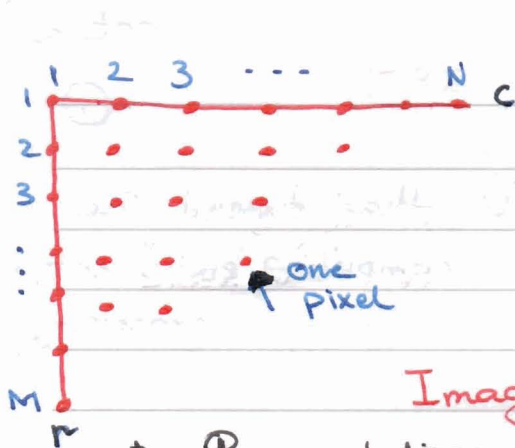
- x ranges from 0 to M-1
- y ranges from 0 to N-1

2. **Second Convention:** in integer increment.

in IPT Matlab tool box, another convention is used, the notation (r,c) to indicate rows and columns.

- the origin of the coordinate system is at $(r,c) = (1,1)$.

- r ranges from 1 to M
- c ranges from 1 to N in integer increment.



② IPT documentation refers to the coordinates as pixel coordinates, or spatial coordinates (less than the first one).

Images as Matrices

Representations of digital image functions:

1.

$$f(x,y) = \begin{bmatrix} f(0,0) & f(0,1) & \dots & f(0,N-1) \\ f(1,0) & f(1,1) & \dots & f(1,N-1) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ f(M-1,0) & f(M-1,1) & \dots & f(M-1,N-1) \end{bmatrix}$$

2. Matlab matrix representation:

$$f = \begin{bmatrix} f(1,1) & f(1,2) & \dots & f(1,N) \\ f(2,1) & f(2,2) & \dots & f(2,N) \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ f(M,1) & f(M,2) & \dots & f(M,N) \end{bmatrix}$$

The two representations are equal except for the shift in origin:

The notation $f(p,q)$ denotes the element located in row p and column q .

$1 \times N$ matrix is called a row vector.

$M \times 1$ matrix is called a column vector.

1×1 matrix is a scalar.

① "Reading Images"

To read an image, use the `imread` command, whose syntax is:

$I = \text{imread}('filename')$: read and store the image in an array named I .

"filename" - string containing the complete name of the image file include extension

For example :

```
f = imread('chestxray.jpg');
```

reads the jpg image chestxray into image array

```
I = imread('pout.tif') ⇒ read and store the image in an array named I.
```

whos Command:

whos Command is used to get information about variable in the workspace:

```
>> whos
```

Name	Size	Bytes	class	Attributes
I	291x240	69840	uint8	—

size Command:

function size gives the row and column dimensions of an image:

```
>> size(f);
```

ans =

1024

```
>> [M, N] = size(f);
```

This syntax return the number of rows (M) and Column (N) in the image.

2) Displaying Images

To display an image, the `imshow` function is used,

which has the basic syntax

```
* imshow(f, G)
```

f - an image, G - the number of intensity levels used to display the image, if G is omitted, it defaults to 256 levels.

```
* imshow(f, [low high])
```

• displays as black all values less than or equal to low.

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- displays as white all values greater than or equal to high.
 - The values in between are displayed using the ~~default~~ default number of levels.

* `imshow(f, [])`

sets variable low to the minimum value of array `f` and high to its maximum value.

This form is useful for images with low dynamic range.

pixel command:

`pixel` is used to display the intensity values of individual pixel interactively.

Moving the cursor, the coordinates of the cursor position and the corresponding intensity values are shown.

⊗ **Color image:** `pixel` displays Red, Green, blue components, when the image is color.

if the left button on the mouse is clicked and then held pressed, `pixel` displays the **Euclidean distance** between the initial and current cursor location, The syntax is:

`pixel.`

Example

```
f = imread('rose_512.tif'); % read from disk an image  
whos f % extract basic information about the image  
imshow(f) % display the image.
```

if another image, `g`, is displayed using `imshow`, Matlab display replaces the image in the screen with the new image.

⇒ `figure, imshow(g)` % Keep the first image and output a second image.

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» `imshow(f), figure, imshow(g)` % display both images.

Example ②:

Suppose that we read an image `h` and find that using `imshow(h)` produces the image that has a low dynamic range, to correct:

`imshow(h, [])` % Improve the image `h`.

③ Writing Images:

Images are written to disk using function `imwrite`,
Syntax:

* `imwrite(f, 'filename')`

`filename` must include the extension of the file.

* `imwrite(f, 'filename', 'extension')`.

examples:-

» `imwrite(f, 'patient10-run1', 'tif')` or alternatively

» `imwrite(f, 'patient10-run1.tif')`

* if `filename` contains no path information, then `imwrite` saves the file in the current working directory.

Special cases for `imwrite` syntax:

A - JPEG images:

for image with JPEG format, the syntax can have additional parameters:

`imwrite(f, 'filename.jpg', 'quality', q)`

`q`: is an integer between 0 and 100 (the lower the number the higher the degradation due to JPEG compression).

example: to reduce storage and transmission time, it is important that the images be compressed as much as possible while not degrading their visual appearance beyond a reasonable level (false contouring, for example).

» `imwrite(f, 'bubble25.jpg', 25)` → 'quality'

» `imwrite(f, 'bubble15.jpg', 15)` → 'quality'

>> imwrite(f, 'bubble0.jpg', 'quality', 0)
 >> imwrite(f, 'bubble5.jpg', 'quality', 5)
 >> imwrite(f, 'bubble50.jpg', 'quality', 50)
 >> imwrite(f, 'bubble.jpg')

$q = 15 \Rightarrow$ false contouring visible.

$q = 5$ & $q = 0 \Rightarrow$ quite visible

$q = 25 \Rightarrow$ acceptable solution with some error.

* Some of the image/graphics formats supported by imread and imwrite, starting with matlab 6.5,

TIFF, JPEG, GIF, BMP, PNG, XWD

* GIF is supported by imread, but not by imwrite.

Imfinfo function:

The imfinfo function returns information about the image in the file, such as size, width, height, the compression achieved and other image file details.

Syntax:

1) imfinfo filename

>> imfinfo bubble25.jpg

from the output of this command, we remark that:

File size (in bytes) \Rightarrow the number of bytes in the original image is computed:

$$\text{File size} = (\text{width} * \text{Height} * \text{Bit Depth}) / 8 \quad \textcircled{1}$$

(original image).

$$\text{Compression ratio} = \frac{\text{original image File size}}{\text{File size in imfinfo result}}$$

2) The information fields displayed by imfinfo can be captured into a structure variable that can be used for computations.

>> K = imfinfo('bubble25.jpg');

K - structure name; K - contains fields, that can be accessed by dot operator,

for example, the image height and width are stored in structure fields `K.Height` and `K.Width`.

example using structure:

Compute the compression ratio for `bubble25.jpg`:

- » `K = imfinfo('bubble.jpg');`
 - » `image_bytes = K.Width * K.Height * K.BitDepth / 8;`
 - » `Compressed_bytes = K.FileSize;`
 - » `Compression_ratio = image_bytes / Compressed_bytes;`
- `Compression_ratio = 35.1612.`

B- TIF images with `imwrite`

The general syntax applicable for tif image;

```
imwrite(I, 'filename.tif', 'compression', 'parameter', ...
        'resolution', [colres rowres])
```

continue on new line.

parameter can have one of the following values:

- 'none' - no compression,
- 'packbits' - pack bits compression (the default for nonbinary image).
- 'ccitt' - ccitt compression (the default for binary image).

The 1x2 array `[colres rowres]` (two integer), contains the column resolution and row resolution in dots-per-unit (the default values are `[72 72]`, for example

`dpi` - dots (pixels) per inch.

`colres` - dpi in vertical direction, `rowres` - dpi in horizontal dir.

* specifying the resolution by a single scalar, `res`, is equivalent to writing `[res res]`.

Example :

Suppose an 8-bit X-ray image of a circuit board generated during quality inspection. It is in jpg format, at 200 dpi. The image is of size 450 x 450 pixels, so its dimensions are 2.25 x 2.25 inches.

Q: Store the image in tif format, with no compression, under the name sf, in addition we want to reduce the size of the image to 1.5 x 1.5 inches while keeping the pixel count at 450 x 450.

» `res = round(200 * 2.25/1.5);`

» `imwrite(f, 'sf.tif', 'compression', 'none', 'resolution', res)`

The the vector `[colres rowres]` were

determined by multiplying 200 dpi by the ratio $2.25/1.5$.

* **round function** rounds its argument to the nearest integer.