

LTOS Quick Guide

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1 About

LTOS is a program for localization and detection and tracking of single particles in two-dimensional greyscale TIFF images and videos.

2 Installation

LTOS is available at <https://github.com/MarkusRose/ParticleTracker> under the GPL. It requires a python interpreter, as well as some additional packages provided below. It can be run from the command line, or with a GUI.

2.1 Getting Python

LTOS is written in Python 3.6. The distribution that was used during development and testing is Anaconda Python 3 (<https://www.anaconda.com/>).

2.2 Required Packages

- numpy
- scipy
- pandas
- matplotlib
- tkinter

2.3 Running LTOS

```
python main.py
```

3 Using LTOS

3.1 The Graphical User Interface

3.1.1 The Main Window

3.1.2 The Detection Menu

3.1.3 The Tracking Menu

3.1.4 Detect and Track in one Window

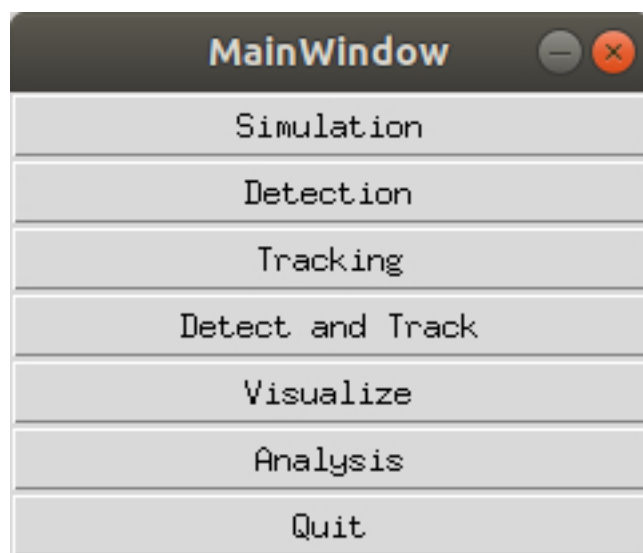
3.1.5 Visualization of Images, Detections and Tracks

3.1.6 Simulation Window

3.1.7 Analysis Tools for obtained Tracks

3.2 Working from Command Line

4 Program Output



Detection

Input Images

Please select Image

Sigma

2

Signal Power

3

Image Bit Depth

16

Sigma Threshold

2

Eccentricity Threshold

2

Local maximum window size

10

Detection Method

Local Maximum

Output Folder

Set Output Folder

☐ Drift Correction

Fiducial Markers

Select Fiducial Mark

Preview

Run

Cancel

Tracking — □ ×

Input Images	Select Images
Positions File	Please select position file.
Maximum displacement	3
Minimum track length	1
Link range (frameskip)	2
Run	
Cancel	

Detection and Tracking

Input Images

Please select Images

Sigma

2

Signal Power

3

Image Bit Depth

16

Sigma Threshold

2

Eccentricity Threshold

2

Local maximum window size

10

Maximum Displacement

5

Minimum Track Length

1

Detection Methodframe skip)

Local Maximum

Output Folder

Set Output Folder!

☐ Drift Correction

Fiducial Markers

Select Fiducial Mark

Preview

Run

Cancel

Visualization

Input Images

Select Images

Positions File

Please select position file.

Tracks File

Please select track file.

Show

Cancel

Simulation

Number of States

1

Set Diff.Const.

D1 = 3.0 $\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$

D2 = n/a $\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$

D3 = n/a $\mu\text{m}^2/\text{s}$

p12 = 0.0

p21 = 1.0

p13 = 0.0

p23 = 0.0

p31 = 1.0

p32 = 0.0

Number of Frames

10

Number of Particles

10

Acquisition Time [s]

0.1

Frame height and width [pixels]

512

Wavelength [nm]

700

Pixelsize [μm]

16

Numerical Aperture

1.45

Magnification

100

Background mean

500

Background noise

100

Intensity

1000

Output Location

.

Save & Run

Cancel

Analysis of Tracks — □ ×

☐ MSD and step-size distribution - Multiple Tracks

☐ MSD and step-size distribution - Combined Track

☐ Markov Chain Monte Carlo
Monte Carlo Runs
Identifier

☐ Speed-Correlation Index

General properties
Pixel Size [um]
frame time [s]