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function [ imagePatches, height, width ] = patchImage( aBWFrame, patchHeight, patchWidth)
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Introduction of patchImage

This function segments an input image/frame into a number of non-overlapping patches as the output.

Input:

1. aBWFrame, is a black and white image or frame to be segmented
2. patchWidth and patchHeight define the width and height of the segmented image patches

Output:

imagePatches is a multi-dimension matrix (a stack of segmented patches)
whose size == patchHeight * patchWidth * numPatch
numPatch is the total number of image patches can be segmented from aBWFrame by the
Width/Height, dimensions of the the frame with padded zeros.

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% Note that! patchImage function should be able to handle the cases when  
% width/height of the input frame is not exactly integer times of  
% patchWidth/patchHeight. This can be done by padding zeros to the  
% aBWFrame OR simply ignore the remainders:  
% i.e. If frame size == 10*10 and both patchWidth/patchHeight == 3  
%     you can pad zeros to enlarge it to 12*12 and get 16 patches,  
%     OR get 9 patches by ignoring a row and a column in the frame.  
% You can decide the zero-padding method yourself.
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%This function padds zeros around the frame to not clip any data.
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[height, width] = size(aBWFrame);  
neededHeight = ceil(height/patchHeight);  
neededWidth = ceil(width/patchWidth);
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%Padd zeros:
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aBWFrame(height: neededHeight * patchHeight, width:neededWidth * patchWidth) = 0;
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rows = neededHeight;  
columns = neededWidth;
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placeholder = zeros(patchHeight, patchWidth, rows*columns);
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index = 1;
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for row = 1: rows  
    rowEnd = row * patchHeight;  
    rowStart = rowEnd - patchHeight + 1;
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    for col = 1: columns  
        columnEnd = col * patchWidth;  
        columnStart = columnEnd - patchWidth +1;
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        placeholder(:, :, index) = aBWFrame(rowStart:rowEnd, columnStart:columnEnd)
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        index = index + 1;

    end

end

imagePatches = placeholder;
[height, width] = size(aBWFrame);

end
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