

gopro max stills 2 kmz converter

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TL;DR:

This workflow creates a .kmz file from geocoded 360° images taken with a GoPro Max. It involves package setup, file renaming, selecting images by distance (20m default), adding overlays (optional), creating a .kml file, then finally converting everything to a .kmz file for use in the [pannotator](#) package for annotating. To use this script open the pannotator_collect.Rproj in RStudio, then open this file (goproMaxStills2 KmzConverter.qmd) and run each code chunk in order to create a .kmz file.

Description of the Workflow

This workflow has been developed to allow easy creation of .kmz files from 360 degree panospheric images. These can be taken with a gopro Max camera or most consumer drones like those made by DJI. The overlay may need to be adjusted depending on the size of the images generated etc.

Any geocoded equirectangular images (jpegs) can be used, regardless of how they were created, but this workflow is specifically tailored to the gopro Max.

Before using this script we recommend making a backup of the original camera files just in case as this script edits the files directly.

The workflow code below is as follows:

1. Check and install required packages
2. Set user options:
 - > folder containing 360 degree images (jpgs)
 - > distance between images (metres)
 - > add overlays (True/False)
 - > overlay file to use (png with transparency)
3. Rename the files (only renames files if names are 12 characters long)
4. Get subset of images a specified distance apart (defaults to 20m)
5. Add overlays to the images (optional)
6. Create a google earth .kml file
7. Convert the kml file and associated images into a single .kmz file

The resulting .kmz file can then be used in the [pannotator](#) package for annotating.

Check & Install Required Packages

In order for this workflow to function as expected there are a few dependent packages to install and configure. If you are on linux or mac you may have some issues with the 'magick' package, check the documentation [here](#).

On Linux you need to install the ImageMagick++ library: on Debian/Ubuntu this is called [libmagick++-dev](#):

```
sudo apt-get install libmagick++-dev
```

To install from source on macOS you need either `imagemagick@6` or `imagemagick` from homebrew.

```
brew install imagemagick@6
```

In RStudio use the play arrow at the top-right corner of the chunks to run them.

```
1 dependentPackages <-
2   c("svDialogs",
3     "stringr",
4     "tools",
5     "exiftoolr",
6     "geosphere",
7     "stringr",
8     "gpx",
9     "magick",
10    "imager",
11    "fs",
12    "magrittr",
13    "zip",
14    "usefun"
15  )
16
17 for (i in dependentPackages) {
18   print(paste0("Checking for: ", i))
19
20   # First check if you have the package installed
21   check_for_package <- system.file(package = i)
22   print(check_for_package)
23
24   # If not run the following code to install it.
25   if (check_for_package == "") {
26     print(paste0(i, " package not found .....installing now"))
27     install.packages(i)
28   } else {
29     print(paste0(i, " package is already installed"))
30   }
31 }
```

Set User Options (manual version)

Here we manually set the user options which will be used in the following code chunks

```
1 # Manually add the path: use forward slashed only. (Windows)
2 # directory <- "C:/FolderContaining360Images/"
3 # Manually add the path: use forward slashes only (works for macOS and
  ↳ Linux).
4 directory <- "C:/E/gitRepos/pannotator_collect/gopro_images"
5
6 # Select the minimum distance in metres between each extracted image.
7 metresBetweenEachImageWanted <- 100
8
9 # Set to TRUE to add overlays to each image file; or FALSE to use
  ↳ images without any overlays.
10 addOverlays <- TRUE
11
12 # Conditionally set the overlay image file if addOverlays is TRUE
13 if (addOverlays == TRUE) {
14   # specify file path manually.
15   overlayImageFile <-
16     ↳ "./overlay_files/5m_overlay_wedges_straight6.png"
17 } else if (identical(addOverlays, FALSE) || length(addOverlays) == 0)
18   ↳ {
19   overlayImageFile <- NULL
20 }
```

Set User Options (svDialog GUI version)

Here we set the user options using GUI popups which will be used in the following code chunks

```
1 # svDialogs::msgBox("There will be several popup dialogs so you can
  ↳ select the different options")
2 #
3 # # Choose the directory path containing 360 images.
4 # directory <- svDialogs::dlg_dir(default = getwd(), title = "Select
  ↳ Directory Containing 360 images")$res
5 #
6 # # Select the minimum distance in metres between each extracted
  ↳ image.
```

```

7 # metresBetweenEachImageWanted <- svDialogs::dlg_input(message =
  ↳ "Enter a value for: metresBetweenEachImageWanted", default =
  ↳ "100")$res
8 #
9 # # Set to TRUE to add overlays to each image file; or FALSE to use
  ↳ images without any overlays.
10 # addOverlays <- svDialogs::dlgList(choices=c(TRUE,FALSE), preselect =
  ↳ TRUE, multiple = FALSE, title = "Add overlay to images?")$res
11 #
12 # # Conditionally set the overlay image file if addOverlays is TRUE
13 # if (addOverlays == TRUE) {
14 #   # Choose the file for your desired overlay image (PNG image with
  ↳ transparency).
15 #   overlayImageFile <- svDialogs::dlg_open(default =
  ↳ "./overlay_files", title = "Select overlay file (png)", multiple =
  ↳ FALSE, filters = svDialogs::dlg_filters["png", ])$res
16 # } else if (identical(addOverlays, FALSE) || length(addOverlays) ==
  ↳ 0) {
17 #   overlayImageFile <- NULL
18 # }
19 #
20 # finalMessage <- paste0("Folder with 360 Images: ", directory,
21 #   " Metres Between Each Image Wanted: ",
  ↳ metresBetweenEachImageWanted, " AddOverlays: ", addOverlays)
22 # if (addOverlays == TRUE) {
23 #   finalMessage <- paste0(finalMessage, " Overlay Image File: " ,
  ↳ overlayImageFile)
24 # }
25 #
26 # svDialogs::dlg_message(message =finalMessage, type = "ok")

```

Rename Files

By default most consumer cameras like the gopro max & DJI drones don't allow the user to specify the file names they apply to images that they create.

A typical file name follows the format GS__XXXX.JPG - where XXXX is a counter number of the images taken by the camera.

To address this issue and make it easier to manage the files for processing, this code prepends the date_time stamp to the beginning of the files in a given directory. It's useful for

organising files when doing field work, especially when using multiple cameras at the same time.

The output format is: YYYYMMDD_HHMMSS_FileName.ext

Note: GoPro now have a custom firmware allowing you to set file names in the field; see this GoPro Labs [link](#).

This code checks the file name length initially assuming that files names directly downloaded from the camera are 12 characters long. If the files used have longer file names they will not be renamed. This ensures they are only renamed once.

```
1 library(exiftoolr)
2 library(stringr)
3 library(tools)
4
5 # Check if 'directory' is set and valid, throw an error if not
6 if (!exists("directory") || !dir.exists(paste0(directory)) ||
7     length(directory) == 0) {
8   stop("'directory' does not exist. Please run the code chunk under
9     'Set User Options' above to set the directory containing the 360
10    images."
11 )
12 }
13
14 # filter only .jpg or .JPG files
15 file_extension <- "\\.[Jj][Pp][Gg]$"
16
17 my_files <-
18   list.files(
19     directory,
20     pattern = paste0("*", file_extension),
21     all.files = FALSE,
22     full.names = TRUE
23   )
24
25 #read the exif information in the file to get the creation date
26 files_df <- exiftoolr::exif_read(my_files, args = c("-G1", "-a",
27   ↪ "-s"))
28
29 #Loop through the files and check to change file names
30 #this checks if the files have already been changed by looking at the
31 ↪ length of the file name.
```

```

27 for (i in 1:nrow(files_df)) {
28   print("Checking if camera file name has not been changed")
29   if (nchar(files_df[i, "System:FileName"]) == 12) {
30     print("File appears to be 12 characters long")
31     print(paste0("SourceFile: ", files_df[i, "SourceFile"]))
32     origFullFileName <- paste0(files_df[i, "SourceFile"])
33     createDate <- paste0(files_df[i, "ExifIFD:DateTimeOriginal"])
34     print(paste0("CreateDate: ", createDate))
35     formattedCreateDate <- stringr::str_replace_all(createDate, ":",
↵     "")
36     formattedCreateDate <-
↵     stringr::str_replace_all(formattedCreateDate, " ", "_")
37     print(paste0("formattedCreateDate: ", formattedCreateDate))
38     file_ext <- tolower(tools::file_ext(files_df[i,
↵     "System:FileName"]))
39     newFileName <- paste0(files_df[i, "System:Directory"], "/",
↵     formattedCreateDate, "_", tools::file_path_sans_ext(basename(files_df[i,
↵     "System:FileName"])), ".", file_ext)
40     print(paste0("newFileName: ", newFileName))
41     file.rename(from = origFullFileName, to = newFileName)
42     print("File name changed")
43   } else {
44     print(
45       "It appears that the file has already been renamed as it's
↵       greater than 12 characters long"
46     )
47     print(paste0("SourceFile: ", files_df[i, "SourceFile"]))
48   }
49 }
50 }

```

Function to calculate distances between image geo-locations.

This code looks through all the files in a given folder and copies images a user-specified distance apart into a new folder for use later on. It starts with the first file and looks for a file at least XX metres from that. Once it finds one it adds it to the list then uses it as the location to look for another file at least XX metres from it and so on until it gets to the end of the file list. This method is most suitable for linear transect sampling but should work with any images that are spaced out enough.

```

1 library(geosphere)
2
3 options(digits = 20)
4 options(digits.secs = 20)
5 options(scipen = 9999)
6
7 #function which takes 2 arguments
8 #1: gpx_locations - a dataframe containing 4 columns("SourceFile",
9   ↪ "System:Directory", "Composite:GPSLongitude",
10  ↪ "Composite:GPSLatitude")
11 #2: distance in metres between each image to extract. (default=20m)
12 findImagesEveryXmetres <-
13   function(my_gpx_locs, metresToNextImage = 20) {
14     gpx_locs <- my_gpx_locs
15
16     keeps <- c("Composite:GPSLongitude", "Composite:GPSLatitude")
17     points <- gpx_locs[keeps]
18
19     #View(points)
20     #View(gpx_locs)
21
22     #calculate the distance between any two points
23     distance_m <- geosphere::distm(points, fun =
24   ↪ geosphere::distHaversine)
25     rownames(distance_m) <- basename(gpx_locs[, "SourceFile"])
26     colnames(distance_m) <- basename(gpx_locs[, "SourceFile"])
27
28     #View(distance_m)
29
30     #find images a certain distance apart.
31     selected_files <- vector()
32
33     metres_between_images <- metresToNextImage
34
35     print(paste0(
36       "Searching for images apart by: ",
37       metres_between_images,
38       " metres"
39     ))
40
41     for (i in 1:nrow(distance_m)) {

```



```

39   if (i == 1) {
40     #if it is the first frame add it as the current frame
41     selected_files <-
42       append(selected_files, rownames(distance_m)[i])
43     current_frame <- rownames(distance_m)[i]
44     print(paste0("Frame 1: ", current_frame))
45     print(paste0(
46       "looking for frame >",
47       metres_between_images ,
48       " Metres from frame 1"
49     ))
50   }#if the current frame is greater than the specified metres
51   if ((distance_m[i, current_frame] > metres_between_images)) {
52     current_frame <- rownames(distance_m)[i]
53     print(paste0("current_frame: ", current_frame))
54     selected_files <- append(selected_files, current_frame)
55   }
56
57 }
58 print(paste0("Files found:", selected_files))
59
60 new_folder <-
61   paste0(gpx_locs[1, "System:Directory"], "_",
62     ↪ metres_between_images, "m_apart")
63
64 dir.create(new_folder)
65
66 source_folder <-  dirname(gpx_locs[1, "SourceFile"])
67
68 print(gpx_locs[1, "System:Directory"])
69
70 for (q in selected_files) {
71   file_to_copy <- paste0(source_folder, "/", q)
72   destination <- paste0(new_folder, "/", q)
73   file.copy(
74     file_to_copy,
75     destination,
76     overwrite = TRUE,
77     recursive = FALSE,
78     copy.mode = TRUE,
79     copy.date = TRUE

```

```

79     )
80   }
81
82 }
83
84 print("findImagesEveryXmetres(my_gpx_locs, metresToNextImage) function
  ↪ is now available to call")

```

Call Function Above

Now call the function above to calculate the distance between all the images and copy them to a new folder.

```

1  library(exiftoolr)
2
3  # Check if 'directory' is set and valid, throw an error if not
4  if (!exists("directory") || !dir.exists(paste0(directory)) ||
  ↪   length(directory) == 0) {
5    stop("'directory' does not exist. Please run the code chunk under
  ↪   'Set User Options' above to set the directory containing the 360
  ↪   images."
6  )
7  }
8
9  file_extension <- "\\.[Jj][Pp][Gg]$"
10
11 my_files <-
12   list.files(
13     directory,
14     pattern = paste0(file_extension),
15     all.files = FALSE,
16     full.names = TRUE
17   )
18
19 image_files_df <-
20   exiftoolr::exif_read(my_files, args = c("-G1", "-a", "-s"))
21
22 #View(image_files_df)
23
24 gpx_locs <-

```

```

25 as.data.frame(image_files_df[, c(
26     "SourceFile",
27     "System:Directory",
28     "Composite:GPSLatitude",
29     "Composite:GPSLongitude"
30 )])
31
32 #View(gpx_locs)
33
34 if (!exists("metresBetweenEachImageWanted") ||
    ↪ length(metresBetweenEachImageWanted) == 0) {
35     print("'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' does not exist. Using Default
    ↪ value. Please run the code chunk under 'Set User Options' above
    ↪ if you want to change the metresBetweenEachImageWanted")
36     findImagesEveryXmetres(my_gpx_locs = gpx_locs)
37 } else {
38     findImagesEveryXmetres(my_gpx_locs = gpx_locs, metresToNextImage =
    ↪ metresBetweenEachImageWanted)
39 }

```

Add Overlays to the Images (magick)

This code goes through the images in the folder created above and adds the overlay file to them. This overlay must be specific to the camera used to create the 360 degree images as the focal length of the lens etc. will define how the overlay should look.

In this example we used a gopro Max at 3.2m above the ground. The easiest way to determine how an overlay should look is to take some images with the camera at the specified height with the desired overlay marked on the ground so you have an easy template to base your overlay on.

Here we wanted a circular marker with a 5 metre radius and we were lucky to find a round concrete water tank buried in the ground with the required radius. We marked the distance in metres from the centre of the plot directly under the camera using a pole with black marking tape at 1 metre intervals. Below is the image loaded into [inkscape](#) so we could draw the required marker lines for the overlay.

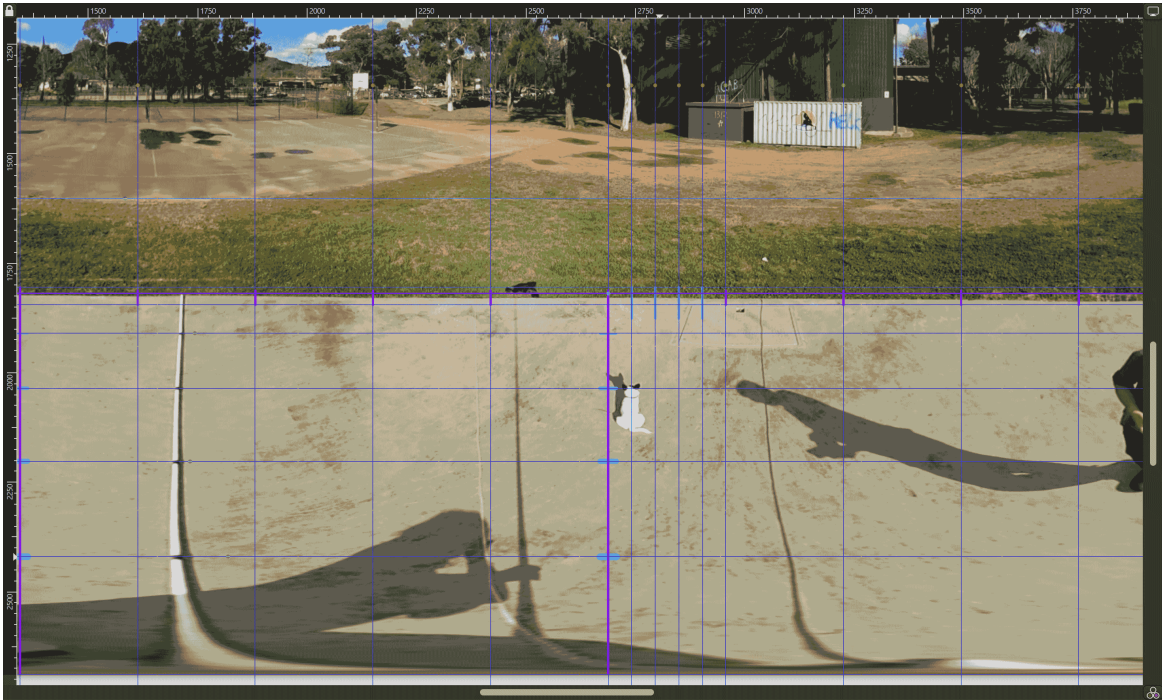


Figure 1: overlay image with camera background

Note: There is a slight discrepancy with the line on the right side of the image. This is due to the camera not being exactly vertical when capturing the image.

The overlay was created using inkscape and then exported as a portable network graphics (.png) file with transparency. See the example below:

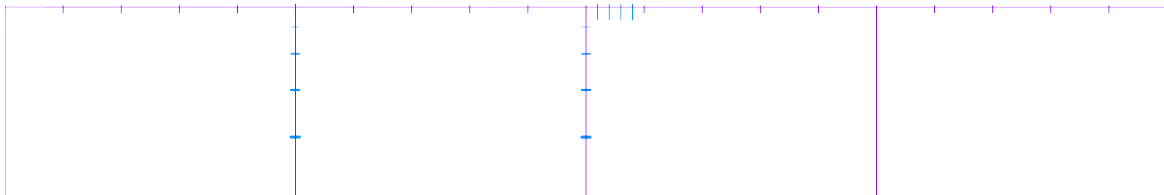


Figure 2: overlay image with transparency

The code below uses [imagemagick](#) to load the underlying base file and then overlays the .png and saves out the flattened file for use in the kml/kmz files in the following steps. If you are on linux and have issues with the 'magick' package you may need to up the memory settings in the /etc/ImageMagick-6/policy.xml file.

```
<policy domain="resource" name="memory" value="4GiB"/>
<policy domain="resource" name="map" value="8GiB"/>
<policy domain="resource" name="disk" value="16GiB"/>
<policy domain="resource" name="area" value="10GiB"/>
```

You can find more info on how to do this [here](#).

```
1 library(magick)
2 library(tools)
3 library(magrittr)
4
5 # Check if 'directory' is set and valid, throw an error if not
6 if (!exists("directory") || !dir.exists(paste0(directory)) ||
7     length(directory) == 0) {
8   stop("'directory' does not exist. Please run the code chunk under
9     'Set User Options' above to set the directory containing the 360
10    images."
11  )
12 }
```

```

9 }
10
11 # if 'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' doesn't exist then add the default
12   ↳ metres between images
13 if (!exists("metresBetweenEachImageWanted") ||
14     ↳ length(metresBetweenEachImageWanted) == 0) {
15   print("'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' not selected...using default:
16     ↳ Please run the code chunk under 'Set User Options' above to set
17     ↳ the metresBetweenEachImageWanted."
18   )
19   metresBetweenEachImageWanted <- 20
20 }
21
22 # if 'addOverlays' doesn't exist then throw an error asking to set
23   ↳ 'addOverlays'
24 if (!exists("addOverlays") || length(addOverlays) == 0) {
25   stop("'addOverlays' does not exist. Please run the code chunk under
26     ↳ 'Set User Options' above to set the addOverlays."
27 )
28 }
29
30 if (addOverlays == TRUE) {
31   overlay_file <- overlayImageFile
32
33   new_directory <- paste0(directory,
34     "_",
35     metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
36     "m_apart")
37
38   if (!dir.exists(paste0(new_directory))) {
39     print(paste0(new_directory, " does not exist!"))
40     stop("Did you run the code chunk above to find images a certain
41       ↳ distance apart?"
42     )
43   }
44
45   # first create a new directory to add the overlay images to
46   dir.create(paste0(new_directory, "/with_overlay/"))
47
48   file_extension <- "\\.[Jj][Pp][Gg]$"
49
50   files_lst <-
51     list.files(

```

```

43     new_directory,
44     pattern = paste0(file_extension),
45     all.files = FALSE,
46     full.names = TRUE,
47     recursive = FALSE,
48     include.dirs = FALSE
49 )
50
51
52 for (t in 1:length(files_lst)) {
53     background_image <- magick::image_read(files_lst[t])
54     overlay <-
55         magick::image_read(overlay_file)
56     image_dir <- dirname(files_lst[t])
57     overlay_image_dir <- paste0(image_dir, "/with_overlay/")
58     new_filename <-
59         paste0(overlay_image_dir,
60             basename(tools::file_path_sans_ext(files_lst[t])),
61             "_with_overlay.jpg")
62     print(paste0("Adding overlay to create: ", new_filename))
63     img <- c(background_image, overlay) %>%
64         magick::image_flatten(.) %>%
65         magick::image_write(., new_filename, format = "jpg")
66 }
67
68 } else {
69     print("'addOverlays' not TRUE: No overlay files generated")
70 }

```

Overlays to the Images (imager)

This code is an alternative version in case you have problems loading the magick package

```

1 # library(imager)
2 #
3 # # Check if 'directory' is set and valid, throw an error if not
4 # if (!exists("directory") || !dir.exists(paste0(directory)) ||
5   ↪ length(directory) == 0) {
6 #     stop("'directory' does not exist. Please run the code chunk under
7   ↪ 'Set User Options' above to set the directory containing the 360
8   ↪ images."

```

```

6 # )
7 # }
8 #
9 # # if 'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' doesn't exist then add the
  ↪ default metres between images
10 # if (!exists("metresBetweenEachImageWanted") ||
  ↪ length(metresBetweenEachImageWanted) == 0) {
11 #   print("'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' not selected...using
  ↪ default: Please run the code chunk under 'Set User Options' above
  ↪ to set the metresBetweenEachImageWanted."
12 # )
13 # metresBetweenEachImageWanted <- 20
14 # }
15 #
16 # # if 'addOverlays' doesn't exist then throw an error asking to set
  ↪ 'addOverlays'
17 # if (!exists("addOverlays") || length(addOverlays) == 0) {
18 #   stop("'addOverlays' does not exist. Please run the code chunk
  ↪ under 'Set User Options' above to set the addOverlays.")
19 # }
20 #
21 # if (addOverlays == TRUE) {
22 #   overlay_file <- overlayImageFile
23 #
24 #   new_directory <- paste0(directory,
25 #                             "_",
26 #                             metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
27 #                             "m_apart")
28 #
29 #   if (!dir.exists(paste0(new_directory))) {
30 #     print(paste0(new_directory, " does not exist!"))
31 #     stop("Did you run the code chunk above to find images a certain
  ↪ distance apart?"
32 #   )
33 # }
34 # # first create a new directory to add the overlay images to
35 # dir.create(paste0(new_directory, "/with_overlay/"))
36 #
37 # file_extension <- "\\.[Jj][Pp][Gg]$"
38 #
39 # files_lst <-

```



```

40 #   list.files(
41 #       new_directory,
42 #       pattern = paste0(file_extension),
43 #       all.files = FALSE,
44 #       full.names = TRUE,
45 #       recursive = FALSE,
46 #       include.dirs = FALSE
47 #   )
48 #
49 #   for (t in 1:length(files_lst)) {
50 #
51 #       base_image <- imager::load.image(files_lst[t])
52 #       overlay <- imager::load.image(overlay_file)
53 #
54 #       # Resize overlay to match the dimensions of the base image (if
55 #       ↪ needed)
56 #       overlay_resized <- resize(overlay, dim(base_image)[1],
57 #       ↪ dim(base_image)[2])
58 #
59 #       # Add the overlay onto the base image
60 #       # Ensure the overlay has an alpha channel for transparency
61 #       if (dim(overlay_resized)[4] == 4) {
62 #           # Extract RGB channels from the base image
63 #           base_rgb <- base_image[,,,1:3]
64 #
65 #           # Extract RGB and alpha channels from the overlay
66 #           overlay_rgb <- overlay_resized[,,,1:3]
67 #           alpha <- overlay_resized[,,,4]
68 #
69 #           #print(dim(base_rgb))      # Dimensions of base image's RGB
70 #           ↪ channels
71 #           #print(dim(overlay_rgb))  # Dimensions of overlay's RGB
72 #           ↪ channels
73 #           #print(dim(alpha))        # Dimensions of overlay's alpha
74 #           ↪ channel
75 #
76 #           alpha <- abind::abind(alpha, alpha, alpha, along = 3)
77 #
78 #           # Blend the overlay with the base image using the alpha
79 #           ↪ channel
80 #           blended_image <- (base_rgb * (1 - alpha)) + (overlay_rgb *
81 #           ↪ alpha)

```

```

75 #     }
76 #
77 #     image_dir <- dirname(files_lst[t])
78 #     overlay_image_dir <- paste0(image_dir, "/with_overlay/")
79 #     new_filename <-
80 #         paste0(overlay_image_dir,
81 #             basename(tools::file_path_sans_ext(files_lst[t])),
82 #             "_with_overlay.jpg")
83 #     print(paste0("Adding overlay to create: ", new_filename))
84 #
85 #     # Save the result
86 #     imager::save.image(imager::as.cimg(blended_image), new_filename)
87 # }
88 #
89 # } else {
90 #     print("'addOverlays' not TRUE: No overlay files generated")
91 # }

```

Imager Single Image

```

1 #library(imager)
2
3 # # Load the base image (e.g., a 360-degree image)
4 # base_image <-
5   ↪ load.image("gopro_images_100m_apart/20220807_161152_GS020327.jpg")
6 #
7 # #plot(base_image)
8 # # Load the overlay image (e.g., a PNG with transparency)
9 # overlay <-
10   ↪ load.image("overlay_files/5m_overlay_wedges_straight6.png")
11 #
12 # #plot(overlay)
13 # # Resize overlay to match the dimensions of the base image (if
14   ↪ needed)
15 # overlay_resized <- resize(overlay, dim(base_image)[1],
16   ↪ dim(base_image)[2])
17 #
18 # # Add the overlay onto the base image
19 # # Ensure the overlay has an alpha channel for transparency

```

```

16 # if (dim(overlay_resized)[4] == 4) {
17 #   # Extract RGB channels from the base image
18 #   base_rgb <- base_image[,,,1:3]
19 #
20 #   # Extract RGB and alpha channels from the overlay
21 #   overlay_rgb <- overlay_resized[,,,1:3]
22 #   alpha <- overlay_resized[,,,4]
23 #
24 #   print(dim(base_rgb))      # Dimensions of base image's RGB channels
25 #   print(dim(overlay_rgb))  # Dimensions of overlay's RGB channels
26 #   print(dim(alpha))        # Dimensions of overlay's alpha channel
27 #
28 #   alpha <- abind::abind(alpha, alpha, alpha, along = 3)
29 #
30 #   # Blend the overlay with the base image using the alpha channel
31 #   blended_image <- (base_rgb * (1 - alpha)) + (overlay_rgb * alpha)
32 # }
33 #
34 # # Save the result
35 # save.image(as.cimg(blended_image), "test_output_image.jpg")
36
37 # Display the image
38 #plot(as.cimg(blended_image))

```

Generate kml File

This code generates a [google earth](#) kml file linking to the image files in the folder generated above. It uses [ExifTool](#) with a template “kml_hide_rollover.fmt” to create the kml file.

```

1 library(readr)
2
3 # Check if 'directory' is set and valid, throw an error if not
4 if (!exists("directory") || !dir.exists(paste0(directory)) ||
5     length(directory) == 0) {
6   stop("'directory' does not exist. Please run the code chunk under
7     ↳ 'Set User Options' above to set the directory containing the 360
8     ↳ images."
9   )
10 }

```

```

9 # if 'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' doesn't exist then add the default
  ↪ metres between images
10 if (!exists("metresBetweenEachImageWanted") ||
  ↪ length(metresBetweenEachImageWanted) == 0) {
11   print("'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' not selected...using default:
  ↪ Please run the code chunk under 'Set User Options' above to set
  ↪ the metresBetweenEachImageWanted."
12   )
13   metresBetweenEachImageWanted <- 20
14 }
15
16 if (addOverlays == TRUE) {
17
18   new_directory <-
19     paste0(directory,
20             "_",
21             metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
22             "m_apart/with_overlay")
23
24   output_kml <-
25     normalizePath(paste0(directory,
26                           "_",
27                           metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
28                           "m_apart_with_overlay.kml"), winslash = "/", mustWork =
29     ↪ FALSE)
30 } else if (addOverlays == FALSE || length(addOverlays) == 0) {
31   new_directory <-
32     paste0(directory,
33             "_",
34             metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
35             "m_apart")
36
37   output_kml <-
38     normalizePath(paste0(directory,
39                           "_",
40                           metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
41                           "m_apart.kml"), winslash = "/", mustWork = FALSE)
42 }
43
44 exif_args <- c("-p", "kml_hide_rollover.fmt", "-r")
45 exiftoolr::exif_call(

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45   args = exif_args,
46   path = new_directory,
47   stdout = output_kml,
48   quiet = FALSE
49 )
50
51 # now fix the links to the images to make them relative.
52 mystring <- readr::read_file(output_kml)
53 path_only <- paste0(dirname(output_kml))
54 mystring2 <- gsub(path_only, ".", mystring, fixed = T)
55
56 # Write the file out
57 sink(paste0(output_kml))
58   writeLines(mystring2)
59 sink()
60
61 print(paste0("generated kml file: ", output_kml))

```

Convert .kml & Images into a .kmz File

This code reads the .kml file created above and converts it to a .kmz file. This involves zipping up the images and the .kml file into one file. It also edits the relative links etc. The convenience of the kmz file is that it combines the kml and associated images into one file.

NOTE: This code can generate kmz files >2GB. These files won't open correctly in google earth but are not corrupt and will work fine in pannotator. This is a limitation of google earth being 32 bit. You can read about it [here](#).

```

1  library(fs)
2  library(usefun)
3  library(readr)
4  library(stringr)
5  library(zip)
6
7  # Check if 'directory' is set and valid, throw an error if not
8  if (!exists("directory") || !dir.exists(paste0(directory)) ||
9    ↪ length(directory) == 0) {
10     stop("'directory' does not exist. Please run the code chunk under
11     ↪ 'Set User Options' above to set the directory containing the 360
12     ↪ images."

```

```

10   )
11 }
12
13 # if 'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' doesn't exist then add the default
14   ⇨ metres between images
15 if (!exists("metresBetweenEachImageWanted") ||
16     ⇨ length(metresBetweenEachImageWanted) == 0){
17   print("'metresBetweenEachImageWanted' not selected...using default:
18     ⇨ Please run the code chunk under 'Set User Options' above to set
19     ⇨ the metresBetweenEachImageWanted."
20   )
21   metresBetweenEachImageWanted <- 20
22 }
23
24 if (addOverlays == TRUE) {
25
26   new_directory <-
27     paste0(directory,
28             "_",
29             metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
30             "m_apart/with_overlay")
31
32   output_kml <-
33     normalizePath(paste0(directory,
34                           "_",
35                           metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
36                           "m_apart_with_overlay.kml"), winslash = "/", mustWork =
37       ⇨ FALSE)
38 } else if (addOverlays == FALSE || length(addOverlays) == 0) {
39   new_directory <-
40     paste0(directory,
41             "_",
42             metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
43             "m_apart")
44
45   output_kml <-
46     normalizePath(paste0(directory,
47                           "_",
48                           metresBetweenEachImageWanted,
49                           "m_apart.kml"), winslash = "/", mustWork = FALSE)
50 }

```

```

46
47 print("Generating kmz file for:")
48 print(output_kml)
49
50 kml_file_name <- basename(output_kml)
51 kml_image_directory <- new_directory
52
53 dir_to_copy <- normalizePath(kml_image_directory, winslash = "/",
54   ↪ mustWork = FALSE)
55 temp_folder <- paste0(usefun::get_parent_dir(directory), "temp")
56 new_dir_path <- paste0(temp_folder, "/files/")
57
58 fs::dir_copy(dir_to_copy, new_dir_path, overwrite = TRUE)
59 fs::file_copy(output_kml, temp_folder, overwrite = TRUE)
60 file.rename(
61   from = file.path(temp_folder, kml_file_name),
62   to = file.path(temp_folder, "doc.kml")
63 )
64
65 #clean up all of the extra line breaks in the kml file
66 mystring <- readr::read_file(file.path(temp_folder, "doc.kml"))
67 mystring2 <- gsub('\r\r\r\r\r\n', '\n', mystring, fixed = T)
68 mystring3 <- gsub('\r\r\r\r\r\n', '\n', mystring2, fixed = T)
69 mystring4 <- gsub('\r\r\r\r\n', '\n', mystring3, fixed = T)
70 mystring5 <- gsub('\r\r\r\n', '\n', mystring4, fixed = T)
71 mystring6 <- gsub('\n\r\n', ' ', mystring5, fixed = T)
72
73 # Extract the part of the string after the last '/'
74
75 if (addOverlays == TRUE) {
76   last_part_dir <- tail(strsplit(dir_to_copy, "/")[[1]], 2)
77   mykml <-
78     stringr::str_replace_all(mystring6[1], paste0("src='./",
79       ↪ last_part_dir[1],"/", last_part_dir[2]), "src='files'")
80 } else if(addOverlays == FALSE) {
81   last_part_dir <- tail(strsplit(dir_to_copy, "/")[[1]], 2)
82   mykml <-
83     stringr::str_replace_all(mystring6[1], paste0("src='./",
84       ↪ last_part_dir[2]), "src='files'")
85 }

```

```

84 mykml <- stringr::str_replace_all(mykml[1], "<name>./", "<name>")
85 sink(paste0(file.path(temp_folder, "doc.kml")))
86 writeLines(mykml)
87 sink()
88
89 # name for new kmz file
90 kmz_file_name <-
91   paste0(usefun::get_parent_dir(directory),"/",
92         basename(tools::file_path_sans_ext(output_kml)),
93         ".kmz")
94
95 # create the kmz file
96 myWd <- normalizePath(temp_folder, winslash = "/", mustWork = FALSE)
97 files_lst <-
98   list.files(
99     path = temp_folder,
100    pattern = "*.jpg|*.kml",
101    all.files = FALSE,
102    full.names = FALSE,
103    recursive = TRUE,
104    ignore.case = FALSE,
105    include.dirs = FALSE
106  )
107
108 # zip the file up
109 zip::zip(
110   kmz_file_name,
111   files_lst,
112   recurse = FALSE,
113   compression_level = 9,
114   include_directories = TRUE,
115   root = myWd,
116   mode = "mirror"
117 )
118
119 # remove the temp folder and its contents
120 unlink(temp_folder, recursive = TRUE)

```