Movie viewing tools

This interface allows visualizing the content of a movie or movie list including its raw data and all its analysis results. Up to three interfaces (movie, movie options, graphs) are dynamically generated from the input movie.

This interface can be called in command line using the following syntax: >> movieViewer(MD);

Movie interface

Movie panel

The first element of the top panel should display the current component and its relative path.

If the original input is a movie list, a drop-down menu allows switching between the list itself and all each individual movie. Else the movie path will be displayed in a text box.

Additionally, if the currently selected component is a single movie,

- the current frame can be controlled by the **Frame** slider.
- the **Run movie** button, if clicked, will trigger a loop through the movie frames starting from the current frame. If **Save frames** is checked, each single frame with all its overlays will be saved as a TIFF file. If **Save movie** is checked, the frames will be assembled and saved as a movie file on the disk. The format for the movie file can be chosen from the drop-down menu.

Images:

This panel lists all the images that can be drawn in the movie figure. Images can be selected and displayed using the radio buttons. In the case of the raw data, multiple channels can be combined into a RGB image by using the **Raw image** checkboxes. Note that at most 3 checkboxes can be checked simultaneously.

Overlays:

This panel lists all the analysis results that can be overlaid on top of the image. The nature of these results varies between processes and can be masks, detected objects and tracks for instance.

Check or uncheck checkboxes corresponding to the desired process output to add or remove overlays on top of the selected image.

Movie options interface

Images:

This panel lists a series of options giving additional control over the displayed image.

Colorbar:

This allows the user to add a colorbar to the movie figure. The location of the colorbar can be chosen from the drop-down menu next to the checkbox.

Colormap:

In the case of single channel images, this allows to choose the colormap to display the image. Note this choice will have no effect if displaying more than one channel.

Color limits:

For indexed (single-channel) images, this allows to specify the limits of the colormap.

Scaling factor:

This allows you to specify a factor for scaling the indexed image. This option is for display purposes only, i.e. it does not modify the underlying data. Default is 1 and displays the unscaled data.

Calibrate ratio map:

This option allows the user to select a zone of the map i.e. for a ratioed map. The mean value of the selected region is calculated and the values of the **Color limits** and the **Scaling factor** are adjusted so that this region appears as 1.

Scalebar:

If the pixel size of the movie has been entered, this allows to overlay a scalebar on the movie figure. The location of the scalebar can be chosen from the drop-down menu next to the checkbox. You can specify the length (in microns) of the scalebar to add and choose to the length of the scalebar as a text element underneath it

Overlays:

This panel lists a series of overlay-specific options.

Window options:

If windows are displayed, you can set the transparency of the drawn polygons by adjusting the **Alpha** value. Alpha values must be between 0 and 1.

Track options:

If tracks are drawn, you can also display the track numbers by checking **Show label** and adjust the length of the dragtail for all the tracks by changing the value of **Dragtail length** (between 2 and Inf).

Vector field options:

If a vector field is overlaid on top of the image, you can control several parameters:

Scale factor is a multiplicative constant applied to all the vector displacements before display. Default is 1 meaning the vectors are displayed unscaled.

If both the pixel size and the time interval (frame rate) of the movie have been entered, **Scalebar** allows you to draw a scalebar showing the velocity of the vector fields. The drop-down menu on the left allows to control the position of the scalebar, the edit field allows to specify the length in nm/min of the scalebar and the **Show label** checkbox allows to add a text displaying the velocity of the scalebar.

For color-coded vector fields, the Color limits boxes allows the user to control the bounds of the vector

norms for display. All vectors of norm less or equal to the lower limit will be displayed using the first color of the colormap while all vectors of norm greater or equal to the upper bound will be displayed using the last color of the colormap.

Graphs interface

This interface lists all analysis results that can not be overlaid on top of the movie. If the corresponding checkbox is selected, each of the listed result will be drawn on an individual figure.

Scalar Map Options:

If scalar maps are drawn (e.g. activity or protrusion maps), they can be smoothed using cubic spline interpolation. To smooth a map, set the **Upsampling Factor** to an integer value greater than 1 and adjust the **Smoothing Parameter** between 0 and 1 where 0 is the smoothest and 1 is the least smoothing.