

Musical Gestures Toolbox Documentation

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1 Class MgObject

Initializes Musical Gestures data structure from a video file.

Attributes

- **filename** : str
Path to the video file.
- **filtertype** : {'Regular', 'Binary', 'Blob'}, optional
The **filtertype** parameter for the **motion()** method. **Regular** turns all values below **thresh** to 0. **Binary** turns all values below **thresh** to 0, above **thresh** to 1. **Blob** removes individual pixels with erosion method.
- **thresh** : float, optional
The **thresh** parameter for the **motion()** method. A number in the range of 0 to 1. Default is 0.05. Eliminates pixel values less than given threshold.

- `starttime` : int or float, optional
Trims the video from this start time (s).
- `endtime` : int or float, optional
Trims the video until this end time (s).
- `blur` : {'None', 'Average'}, optional
The `blur` parameter for the `motion()` method. **Average** to apply a 10px * 10px blurring filter, **None** otherwise.
- `skip` : int, optional
Time-shrinks the video by skipping (discarding) every n frames determined by `skip`.
- `rotate` : int or float, optional
Rotates the video by a `rotate` degrees.
- `color` : bool, optional
Default is **True**. If **False**, converts the video to grayscale and sets every method in grayscale mode.
- `contrast` : int or float, optional
Applies +/- 100 contrast to video.
- `brightness` : int or float, optional
Applies +/- 100 brightness to video.
- `crop` : {'none', 'manual', 'auto'}, optional
If **manual**, opens a window displaying the first frame of the input video file, where the user can draw a rectangle to which cropping is applied. If **auto** the cropping function attempts to determine the area of significant motion and applies the cropping to that area.
- `keep_all` : bool, optional
Default is **False**. If **True**, preserves an output video file after each used preprocessing stage.

2 MgObject methods

2.1 show

`show(self, filename=None, key=None):`

This function simply plays the current vidcap VideoObject. The speed of the video playback might not match the true fps due to non-optimized code.

Parameters

- `filename` : str, optional
Default is **None**. If **None**, the current video to which the MgObject points is played. If filename is given, this file is played instead.
- `key` : {None, 'mgx', 'mgy', 'average', 'plot', 'motion', 'history', 'motionhistory', 'sparse', 'dense'}, optional
If either of these shorthands is used the method attempts to show the (previously rendered) video file corresponding to the one in the MgObject.

2.2 motion

```
motion( self, filtertype='Regular', thresh=0.05, blur='None', kernel_size=5, inverted_motionvideo=False,
inverted_motiongram=False, unit='seconds', equalize_motiongram=True, save_plot=True, save_data=True,
data_format="csv", save_motiongrams=True, save_video=True):
```

Finds the difference in pixel value from one frame to the next in an input video, and saves the frames into a new video. Describes the motion in the recording.

Parameters

- `filtertype` : {'Regular', 'Binary', 'Blob'}, optional
Regular turns all values below `thresh` to 0. Binary turns all values below `thresh` to 0, above `thresh` to 1. Blob removes individual pixels with erosion method.
- `thresh` : float, optional
A number in the range of 0 to 1. Default is 0.05. Eliminates pixel values less than given threshold.
- `blur` : {'None', 'Average'}, optional
Average to apply a 10px * 10px blurring filter, None otherwise.
- `kernel_size` : int, optional
Default is 5. Size of structuring element.
- `inverted_motionvideo` : bool, optional
Default is False. If True, inverts colors of the motion video.
- `inverted_motiongram` : bool, optional
Default is False. If True, inverts colors of the motiongrams.
- `unit` : {'seconds', 'samples'}, optional
Unit in QoM plot.
- `equalize_motiongram` : bool, optional
Default is True. If True, converts the motiongrams to hsv-color space and flattens the value channel (v).
- `save_plot` : bool, optional
Default is True. If True, outputs motion-plot.
- `save_data` : bool, optional
Default is True. If True, outputs motion-data.
- `data_format` : {'csv', 'tsv', 'txt'}, optional
Specifies format of motion-data.
- `save_motiongrams` : bool, optional
Default is True. If True, outputs motiongrams.

- `save_video` : bool, optional
Default is `True`. If `True`, outputs the motion video.

Outputs

- `filename_motion.avi`
A video of the absolute difference between consecutive frames in the source video.
- `filename_motion_com_qom.png`
A plot describing the centroid of motion and the quantity of motion in the source video.
- `filename_mgx.png`
A horizontal motiongram of the source video.
- `filename_mgy.png`
A vertical motiongram of the source video.
- `filename_motion.csv`
A text file containing the quantity of motion and the centroid of motion for each frame in the source video with timecodes in milliseconds. Available formats: csv, tsv, txt.

Returns

- `MgObject`
A new `MgObject` pointing to the output '`_motion`' video file. If `save_video=False`, it returns an `MgObject` pointing to the input video file.

2.3 history

`history(self, filename="", history_length=10):`

This function creates a video where each frame is the average of the `n` previous frames, where `n` is determined by `history_length`. The history frames are summed up and normalized, and added to the current frame to show the history.

Parameters

- `filename` : str, optional
Path to the input video file. If not specified the video file pointed to by the `MgObject` is used.
- `history_length` : int, optional
Default is 10. Number of frames to be saved in the history tail.

Outputs

- `filename_history.avi`

Returns

- `MgObject` A new `MgObject` pointing to the output '`_history`' video file.

2.4 motionhistory

```
motionhistory( self, history_length=10, kernel_size=5, filtertype='Regular', thresh=0.05, blur='None',
inverted_motionhistory=False):
```

Finds the difference in pixel value from one frame to the next in an input video, and saves the difference frame to a history tail. The history frames are summed up and normalized, and added to the current difference frame to show the history of motion.

Parameters

- `history_length` : int, optional
Default is 10. Number of frames to be saved in the history tail.
- `kernel_size` : int, optional
Default is 5. Size of structuring element.
- `filtertype` : {'Regular', 'Binary', 'Blob'}, optional
Regular turns all values below **thresh** to 0. **Binary** turns all values below **thresh** to 0, above **thresh** to 1. **Blob** removes individual pixels with erosion method.
- `thresh` : float, optional
A number in the range of 0 to 1. Default is 0.05. Eliminates pixel values less than given threshold.
- `blur` : {'None', 'Average'}, optional
Average to apply a 10px * 10px blurring filter, **None** otherwise.
- `inverted_motionhistory` : bool, optional
Default is **False**. If **True**, inverts colors of the motionhistory video.

Outputs

- `filename_motionhistory.avi`

Returns

- `MgObject`
A new `MgObject` pointing to the output '_motionhistory' video file.

2.5 average

```
average( self, filename="", normalize=True):
```

Finds and saves an average image of an input video file.

Parameters

- `filename` : str, optional
Path to the input video file. If not specified the video file pointed to by the `MgObject` is used.

- `normalize` : bool, optional

Default is `True`. If `True`, normalizes pixel values in the output image.

Outputs

- `filename__average.png`

Returns

- `MgImage`

A new `MgImage` pointing to the output '`__average`' image file.

2.6 `flow.sparse`

```
sparse( self, filename='', corner_max_corners=100, corner_quality_level=0.3, corner_min_distance=7,
corner_block_size=7, of_win_size=(15, 15), of_max_level=2, of_criteria=(cv2.TERM_CRITERIA_EPS
| cv2.TERM_CRITERIA_COUNT, 10, 0.03)):
```

Renders a sparse optical flow video of the input video file using `cv2.calcOpticalFlowPyrLK()`. `cv2.goodFeaturesToTrack()` is used for the corner estimation. For more details about the parameters consult the `cv2` documentation.

Parameters

- `filename` : str, optional

Path to the input video file. If not specified the video file pointed to by the `MgObject` is used.

- `corner_max_corners` : int, optional

Default is 100.

- `corner_quality_level` : float, optional

Default is 0.3.

- `corner_min_distance` : int, optional

Default is 7.

- `corner_block_size` : int, optional

Default is 7.

- `of_win_size` : tuple (int, int), optional

Default is (15, 15).

- `of_max_level` : int, optional

Default is 2.

- `of_criteria` : optional

Default is `(cv2.TERM_CRITERIA_EPS | cv2.TERM_CRITERIA_COUNT, 10, 0.03)`.

Outputs

- `filename__flow__sparse.avi`

Returns

- `MgObject`

A new `MgObject` pointing to the output '`__flow__sparse`' video file.

2.7 flow.dense

```
dense( self, filename='', pyr_scale=0.5, levels=3, winsize=15, iterations=3, poly_n=5, poly_sigma=1.2, flags=0, skip_empty=False):
```

Renders a dense optical flow video of the input video file using `cv2.calcOpticalFlowFarneback()`. For more details about the parameters consult the cv2 documentation.

Parameters

- `filename` : str, optional
Path to the input video file. If not specified the video file pointed to by the MgObject is used.
- `pyr_scale` : float, optional
Default is 0.5.
- `levels` : int, optional
Default is 3.
- `winsize` : int, optional
Default is 15.
- `iterations` : int, optional
Default is 3.
- `poly_n` : int, optional
Default is 5.
- `poly_sigma` : float, optional
Default is 1.2.
- `flags` : int, optional
Default is 0.
- `skip_empty` : bool, optional
Default is `False`. If `True`, repeats previous frame in the output when encounters an empty frame.

Outputs

- `filename_flow_dense.avi`

Returns

- MgObject
A new MgObject pointing to the output '`_flow_dense`' video file.

3 Utility Functions

3.1 centroid

`centroid(image, width, height):`

Defined in `_centroid.py`.

Computes the centroid of an image or frame.

Parameters

- `image : np.array(uint8)`
The input image matrix for the centroid estimation function.
- `width : int`
The pixel width of the input video capture.
- `height : int`
The pixel height of the input video capture.

Returns

- `np.array(2)`
X and Y coordinates of the centroid of motion.
- `int`
Quantity of motion: How large the change was in pixels.

3.2 mg_cropvideo

`mg_cropvideo(fps, width, height, length, of, fex, crop_movement='Auto', motion_box_thresh=0.1, motion_box_margin=1):`

Defined in `_cropvideo.py`.

Crops the video.

Parameters

- `fps : int`
The FPS (frames per second) of the input video capture.
- `width : int`
The pixel width of the input video capture.
- `height : int`
The pixel height of the input video capture.
- `length : int`
The number of frames in the input video capture.

- `of` : str
Only filename' without extension (but with path to the file).
- `fex` : str
File extension.
- `crop_movement` : {'Auto','Manual'}, optional
Auto finds the bounding box that contains the total motion in the video. Motion threshold is given by `motion_box_thresh`. Manual opens up a simple GUI that is used to crop the video manually by looking at the first frame.
- `motion_box_thresh` : float, optional
Only meaningful if `crop_movement='Auto'`. Takes floats between 0 and 1, where 0 includes all the motion and 1 includes none.
- `motion_box_margin` : int, optional
Only meaningful if `crop_movement='Auto'`. Adds margin to the bounding box.

3.3 filter_frame

`filter_frame(motion_frame, filtertype, thresh, kernel_size):`

Defined in `_filter.py`.

Applies a filter to an image or videoframe.

Parameters

- `motion_frame` : np.array(uint8)
Input motion image.
- `filtertype` : {'Regular', 'Binary', 'Blob'}
Regular turns all values below `thresh` to 0. Binary turns all values below `thresh` to 0, above `thresh` to 1. Blob removes individual pixels with erosion method.
- `thresh` : float
A number in the range of 0 to 1. Eliminates pixel values less than given threshold.
- `kernel_size` : int
Size of structuring element.

Returns

- np.array(uint8)
Filtered frame.

3.4 mg_contrast_brightness

`mg_contrast_brightness(of, fex, vidcap, fps, length, width, height, contrast, brightness):`

Defined in `_videoadjust.py`.

Applies contrast and brightness to a video.

Parameters

- `of` : str
'Only filename' without extension (but with path to the file).
- `fex` : str
File extension.
- `vidcap` :
cv2 capture of video file, with all frames ready to be read with `vidcap.read()`.
- `fps` : int
The FPS (frames per second) of the input video capture.
- `length` : int
The number of frames in the input video capture.
- `width` : int
The pixel width of the input video capture.
- `height` : int
The pixel height of the input video capture.
- `contrast` : int or float, optional
Applies +/- 100 contrast to video.
- `brightness` : int or float, optional
Applies +/- 100 brightness to video.

Outputs

- A video file with the name `of` + 'cb' + `fex`.

Returns

- cv2 video capture of output video file.

3.5 mg_skip_frames

`mg_skip_frames(of, fex, vidcap, skip, fps, length, width, height):`

Defined in `_videoadjust.py`.

Time-shrinks the video by skipping (discarding) every `n` frames determined by `skip`.

Parameters

- `of` : str
'Only filename' without extension (but with path to the file).
- `fex` : str
File extension.
- `vidcap` :
cv2 capture of video file, with all frames ready to be read with `vidcap.read()`.
- `skip` : int
Every `n` frames to discard. `skip=0` keeps all frames, `skip=1` skips every other frame.
- `fps` : int
The FPS (frames per second) of the input video capture.
- `length` : int
The number of frames in the input video capture.
- `width` : int
The pixel width of the input video capture.
- `height` : int
The pixel height of the input video capture.

Outputs

- A video file with the name `of + '_skip' + fex`.

Returns

- `videcap` :
cv2 video capture of output video file.
- `length` : int
The number of frames in the output video file.
- `fps` : int
The FPS (frames per second) of the output video file.
- `width` : int
The pixel width of the output video file.
- `height` : int
The pixel height of the output video file.

3.6 mg_videoreader

`mg_videoreader(filename, starttime=0, endtime=0, skip=0, rotate=0, contrast=0, brightness=0, crop='None', color=True, keep_all=False, returned_by_process=False):`

Defined in `_videoreader.py`.

Reads in a video file, and optionally apply several different processes on it. These include:

- trimming,
- skipping,
- rotating,
- applying brightness and contrast,
- cropping,
- converting to grayscale.

Parameters

- `filename` : str
Path to the input video file.
- `starttime` : int or float, optional
Trims the video from this start time (s).
- `endtime` : int or float, optional
Trims the video until this end time (s).
- `skip` : int, optional
Time-shrinks the video by skipping (discarding) every `n` frames determined by `skip`.
- `rotate` : int or float, optional
Rotates the video by a `rotate` degrees.
- `contrast` : int or float, optional
Applies +/- 100 contrast to video.
- `brightness` : int or float, optional
Applies +/- 100 brightness to video.
- `crop` : {'none', 'manual', 'auto'}, optional
If `manual`, opens a window displaying the first frame of the input video file, where the user can draw a rectangle to which cropping is applied. If `auto` the cropping function attempts to determine the area of significant motion and applies the cropping to that area.
- `color` : bool, optional
Default is `True`. If `False`, converts the video to grayscale and sets every method in grayscale mode.
- `keep_all` : bool, optional
Default is `False`. If `True`, preserves an output video file after each used preprocessing stage.

Outputs

- A video file with the applied processes. The name of the file will be `filename` + a suffix for each process.

Returns

- `length : int`
The number of frames in the output video file.
- `width : int`
The pixel width of the output video file.
- `height : int`
The pixel height of the output video file.
- `fps : int`
The FPS (frames per second) of the output video file.
- `endtime : float`
The length of the output video file in seconds.
- `of: str`
The path to the output video file without its extension. The file name gets a suffix for each used process.
- `fex : str`
The file extension of the output video file. Currently it is always 'avi'.