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In this practice exercise, we would like to locate an obvious hemorrhage in a computerized tomography (CT) scan. We wish to assign a false color to the region. In Figure 1, two pictures, one of a normal CT scan of the brain alongside one with an Intracerebral Hemorrhage, are presented. You are given two files, CT_scan01 and CT_scan02. We will assign a false color to the image on the right based on its location (no auto-detection).

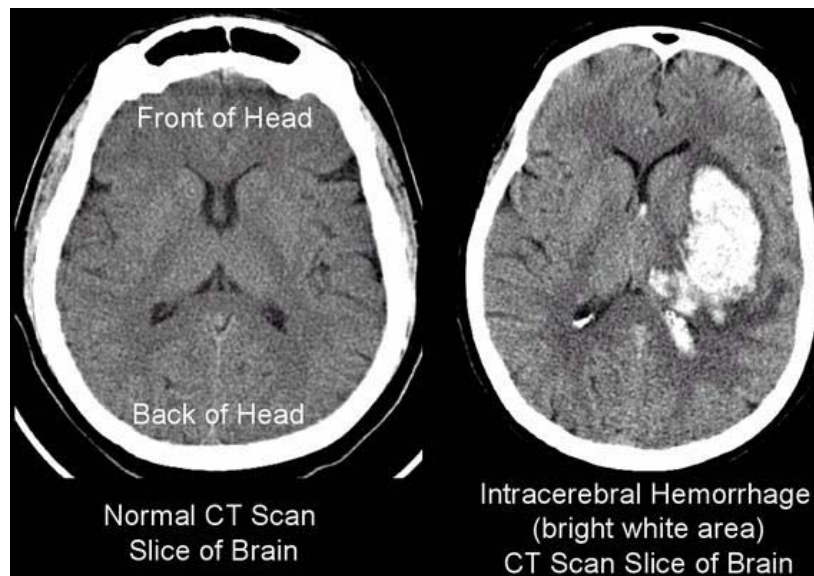


Figure 1: CT scans of a normal brain and a brain with a hemorrhage

In MATLAB, we wish to investigate

1. the subplot command,
2. three-dimensional arrays, and the
3. image read (imread) and image show (imshow) commands.

The subplot command partitions a figure window into a number of rows, m, and columns, n. For example, subplot(1,2,1) creates a 1 row by 2 columns figure window ready for plots, images, etc.

Try this:

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>> x=linspace(0,pi,50); y=sin(x); z=cos(x);
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>> subplot(1,2,1); plot(x,y);
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>> subplot(1,2,2); plot(x,z);
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Source for CT scan: <http://uwmedicine.washington.edu/Patient-Care/eHealth-Articles/PublishingImages/CT-Intracerebral-Hemorrhage.jpg>

An array of m rows by n columns may also have depth d . In some images, you will see an image composed of an array that has depth (red-green-blue filters, or RGB). See Figure 2 for a typical $m \times n$ image. See Figure 3 for a typical $m \times n \times d$ image.

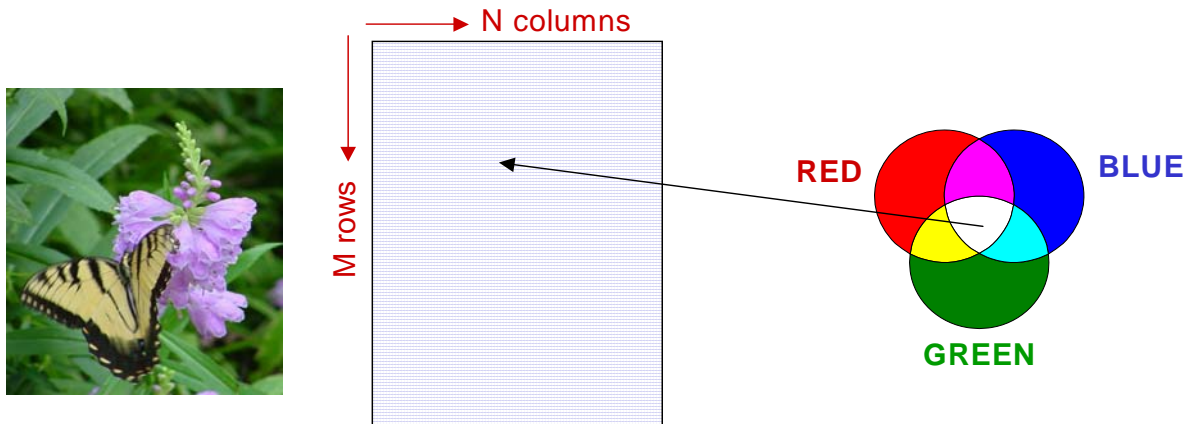


Figure 2: Image with RGB scaling in each pixel

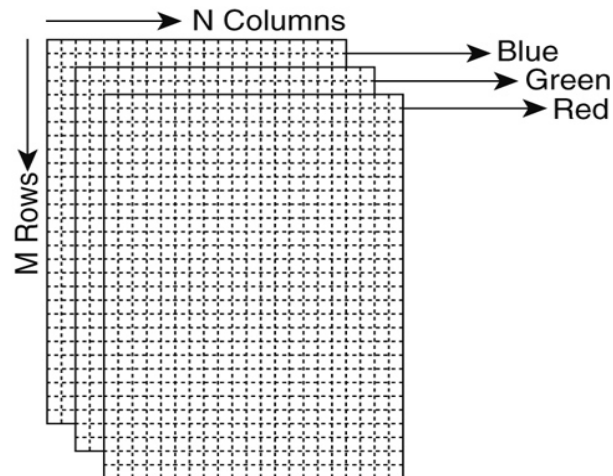


Figure 3: Image with individual RGB filters

Try this:

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>> a=imread('ct_scan01.jpg'); figure; imshow(a);

>>figure; imtool(a) %imtool has the Tools->Pixel Region

>> [rows columns pages] = size(a);

>> a(:, :,1)=0; a(:, :,2)=0; figure; imshow(a)
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Essentially, you are taking the red and green filters (1 & 2), setting them to black, leaving the blue filter.

Let us proceed to the assignment. Open the image CT_scan02.jpg and assign it to a variable.

Since we do not seek to auto-detect at the moment, get location markers using the Data Cursor button to get a feel for where the hemorrhage is so that you may address it (see Figure 4).

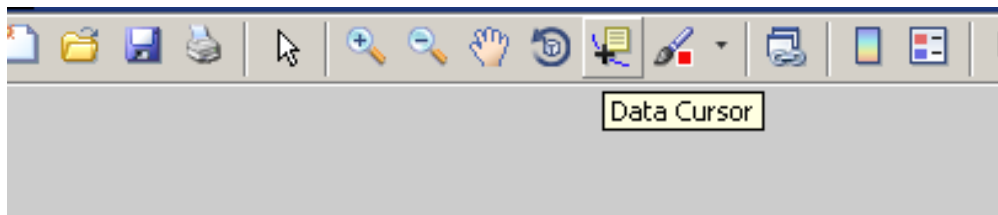


Figure 4: Image of the Data Cursor button

Save this script as my_ct_threshold.m.

Result:

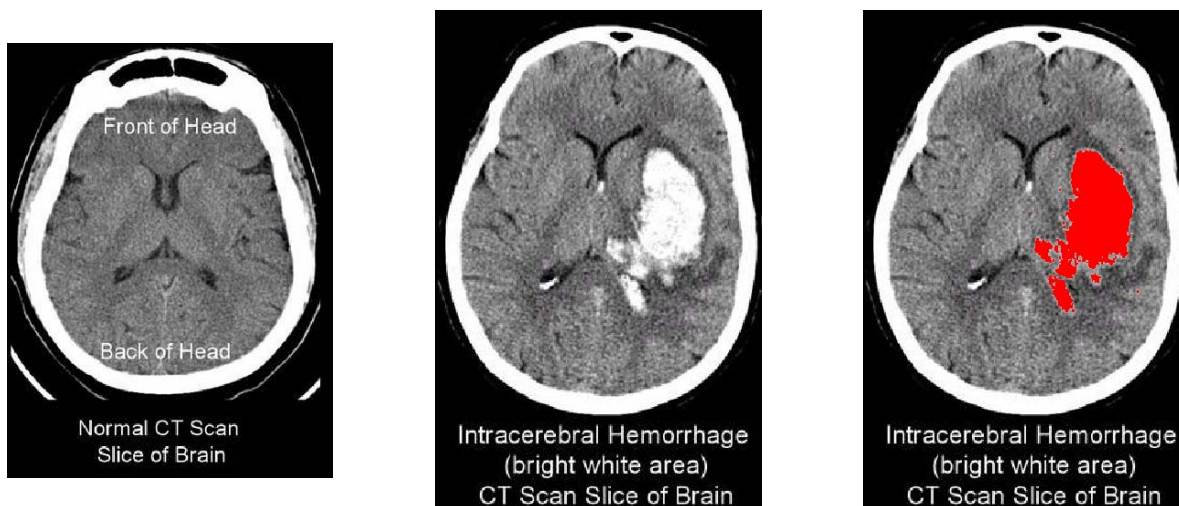


Figure 5: Subplot containing the picture of a healthy brain, one with a hemorrhage, and one with a false color map over the hemorrhage.