ImagesToLARModel, a tool for creation of three-dimensional models from a stack of images

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Abstract

This is the abstract (we will use LAR [CL13])

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```
module ImagesToLARModel
"""
Main module for the library. It starts conversion
taking configuration parameters
"""
require(string(Pkg.dir("ImagesToLARModel/src"), "/imagesConvertion.jl"))

import JSON
import ImagesConvertion

using Logging

export convertImagesToLARModel

function loadConfiguration(configurationFile)
  """
  load parameters from JSON file

  configurationFile: Path of the configuration file
  """

  configuration = JSON.parse(configurationFile)

  DEBUG_LEVELS = [DEBUG, INFO, WARNING, ERROR, CRITICAL]

  return configuration["inputDirectory"], configuration["outputDirectory"], configuration["bes
        configuration["nx"], configuration["ny"], configuration["nz"],
        DEBUG_LEVELS[configuration["DEBUG_LEVEL"]]

end

function convertImagesToLARModel(configurationFile)
  """
  Start convertion of a stack of images into a 3D model
  loading parameters from a JSON configuration file

  configurationFile: Path of the configuration file
  """
  inputDirectory, outputDirectory, bestImage, nx, ny, nz, DEBUG_LEVEL = loadConfiguration(open
  convertImagesToLARModel(inputDirectory, outputDirectory, bestImage, nx, ny, nz, DEBUG_LEVEL)
end
```

```
    function convertImagesToLARModel(inputDirectory, outputDirectory, bestImage,
                                     nx, ny, nz, DEBUG_LEVEL = INFO)
      """
      Start convertion of a stack of images into a 3D model

      inputDirectory: Directory containing the stack of images
      outputDirectory: Directory containing the output
      bestImage: Image chosen for centroids computation
      nx, ny, nz: Border dimensions (Possibly the biggest power of two of images dimensions)
      DEBUG_LEVEL: Debug level for Julia logger. It can be one of the following:
        - DEBUG
        - INFO
        - WARNING
        - ERROR
        - CRITICAL
      """
      # Create output directory
      try
        mkpath(outputDirectory)
      catch
      end

      Logging.configure(level=DEBUG_LEVEL)
      ImagesConvertion.images2LARModel(nx, ny, nz, bestImage, inputDirectory, outputDirectory)
    end
    end
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```

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```
    module ImagesConvertion

    require(string(Pkg.dir("ImagesToLARModel/src"), "/generateBorderMatrix.jl"))
    require(string(Pkg.dir("ImagesToLARModel/src"), "/pngStack2Array3dJulia.jl"))
    require(string(Pkg.dir("ImagesToLARModel/src"), "/lar2Julia.jl"))
    require(string(Pkg.dir("ImagesToLARModel/src"), "/model2Obj.jl"))

    import GenerateBorderMatrix
    import PngStack2Array3dJulia
    import Lar2Julia
    import Model2Obj

    import JSON
```

```
using PyCall
@pyimport scipy.sparse as Pysparse

using Logging

export images2LARModel

"""
This is main module for converting a stack
of images into a 3d model
"""

function images2LARModel(nx, ny, nz, bestImage, inputDirectory, outputDirectory)
  """
  Convert a stack of images into a 3d model
  """

  info("Starting model creation")

  numberOfClusters = 2 # Number of clusters for
                       # images segmentation

  info("Moving images into temp directory")
  try
    mkdir(string(outputDirectory, "TEMP"))
  catch
  end

  tempDirectory = string(outputDirectory,"TEMP/")

  newBestImage = PngStack2Array3dJulia.convertImages(inputDirectory, tempDirectory, bestImage)

  imageWidth, imageHeight = PngStack2Array3dJulia.getImageData(string(tempDirectory,newBestIma
  imageDepth = length(readdir(tempDirectory))

  # Computing border matrix
  info("Computing border matrix")
  try
    mkdir(string(outputDirectory, "BORDERS"))
  catch
  end
  borderFilename = GenerateBorderMatrix.getOriented3BorderPath(string(outputDirectory, "BORDER

  # Starting images convertion and border computation
  info("Starting images convertion")
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  startImageConvertion(tempDirectory, newBestImage, outputDirectory, borderFilename,
                       imageHeight, imageWidth, imageDepth,
                       nx, ny, nz,
                       numberOfClusters)

end


function startImageConvertion(sliceDirectory, bestImage, outputDirectory, borderFilename,
                              imageHeight, imageWidth, imageDepth,
                              imageDx, imageDy, imageDz,
                              numberOfClusters)
  """
  Support function for converting a stack of images into a model

  sliceDirectory: directory containing the image stack
  imageForCentroids: image chosen for centroid computation
  """


  # Create clusters for image segmentation
  info("Computing image centroids")
  debug("Best image = ", bestImage)
  centroidsCalc = PngStack2Array3dJulia.calculateClusterCentroids(sliceDirectory, bestImage, nu
  debug(string("centroids = ", centroidsCalc))

  try
    mkdir(string(outputDirectory, "BORDERS"))
  catch
  end
  debug(string("Opening border file: ", "border_", imageDx, "-", imageDy, "-", imageDz, ".json
  boundaryMat = getBorderMatrix(string(outputDirectory,"BORDERS/","border_", imageDx, "-",
                                       imageDy, "-", imageDz, ".json"))
  beginImageStack = 0
  endImage = beginImageStack

  info("Converting images into a 3d model")
  tasks = Array(RemoteRef, 0)
  for zBlock in 0:(imageDepth / imageDz - 1)
    startImage = endImage
    endImage = startImage + imageDz
    info("StartImage = ", startImage)
    info("endImage = ", endImage)

    task = @spawn imageConvertionProcess(sliceDirectory, outputDirectory,
                            beginImageStack, startImage, endImage,
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                            imageDx, imageDy, imageDz,
                            imageHeight, imageWidth,
                            centroidsCalc, boundaryMat)
    push!(tasks, task)

  end

  # Waiting for processes completion
  for task in tasks
    wait(task)
  end

  info("Merging obj models")
  Model2Obj.mergeObj(string(outputDirectory,"MODELS"))

end

function imageConvertionProcess(sliceDirectory, outputDirectory,
                                beginImageStack, startImage, endImage,
                                imageDx, imageDy, imageDz,
                                imageHeight, imageWidth,
                                centroids, boundaryMat)
  """
  Support function for converting a stack of image on a single
  independent process
  """

  info("Transforming png data into 3d array")
  theImage = PngStack2Array3dJulia.pngstack2array3d(sliceDirectory, startImage, endImage, centi

  centroidsSorted = sort(vec(reshape(centroids, 1, 2)))
  foreground = centroidsSorted[2]
  background = centroidsSorted[1]
  debug(string("background = ", background, " foreground = ", foreground))

  # V and FV contains vertices and faces of this part of model
  V = Array(Array{Int}, 0)
  FV = Array(Array{Int}, 0)
  facesOffset = 0
  for xBlock in 0:(imageHeight / imageDx - 1)
    for yBlock in 0:(imageWidth / imageDy - 1)
      yStart = xBlock * imageDx
      xStart = yBlock * imageDy
      #xEnd = xStart + imageDx
      #yEnd = yStart + imageDy
      xEnd = xStart + imageDy
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yEnd = yStart + imageDx
debug("***********")
debug(string("xStart = ", xStart, " xEnd = ", xEnd))
debug(string("yStart = ", yStart, " yEnd = ", yEnd))
debug("theImage dimensions: ", size(theImage)[1], " ", size(theImage[1])[1], " ", size(tl

# Getting a slice of theImage array

image = Array(Uint8, (convert(Int, length(theImage)), convert(Int, xEnd - xStart), conve
debug("image size: ", size(image))
for z in 1:length(theImage)
  for x in 1 : (xEnd - xStart)
    for y in 1 : (yEnd - yStart)
      image[z, x, y] = theImage[z][x + xStart, y + yStart]
    end
  end
end

nx, ny, nz = size(image)
chains3D = Array(Uint8, 0)
zStart = startImage - beginImageStack
for y in 0:(nx - 1)
  for x in 0:(ny - 1)
    for z in 0:(nz - 1)
      if(image[z + 1, x + 1, y + 1] == foreground)
        push!(chains3D, y + ny * (x + nx * z))
      end
    end
  end
end

if(length(chains3D) != 0)
  # Computing boundary chain
  debug("chains3d = ", chains3D)
  debug("Computing boundary chain")
  objectBoundaryChain = Lar2Julia.larBoundaryChain(boundaryMat, chains3D)
  debug("Converting models into obj")
  try
    mkdir(string(outputDirectory, "MODELS"))
  catch
  end
  # IMPORTANT: inverting xStart and yStart for obtaining correct rotation of the model
  V_part, FV_part = Model2Obj.computeModel(imageDx, imageDy, imageDz, yStart, xStart, zS
  facesOffset += length(V_part)
  append!(V, V_part)
  append!(FV, FV_part)
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      else
        debug("Model is empty")
      end
    end
  end
  outputFilename = string(outputDirectory, "MODELS/model_output_", startImage, "_", endImage)
  Model2Obj.writeToObj(V, FV, outputFilename)
end

function getBorderMatrix(borderFilename)
  """
  TO REMOVE WHEN PORTING OF LARCC IN JULIA IS COMPLETED

  Get the border matrix from json file and convert it in
  CSC format
  """
  # Loading borderMatrix from json file
  borderData = JSON.parsefile(borderFilename)
  row = Array(Int64, length(borderData["ROW"]))
  col = Array(Int64, length(borderData["COL"]))
  data = Array(Int64, length(borderData["DATA"]))

  for i in 1: length(borderData["ROW"])
    row[i] = borderData["ROW"][i]
  end

  for i in 1: length(borderData["COL"])
    col[i] = borderData["COL"][i]
  end

  for i in 1: length(borderData["DATA"])
    data[i] = borderData["DATA"][i]
  end

  # Converting csr matrix to csc
  csrBorderMatrix = Pysparse.csr_matrix((data,col,row), shape=(borderData["ROWCOUNT"],borderDa
  denseMatrix = pycall(csrBorderMatrix["toarray"],PyAny)

  cscBoundaryMat = sparse(denseMatrix)

  return cscBoundaryMat

end
end
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```

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```
module GenerateBorderMatrix
"""
Module for generation of the boundary matrix
"""

type MatrixObject
  ROWCOUNT
  COLCOUNT
  ROW
  COL
  DATA
end


export computeOriented3Border, writeBorder, getOriented3BorderPath

require(string(Pkg.dir("ImagesToLARModel/src"), "/larUtils.jl"))

import LARUtils
using PyCall

import JSON

@pyimport sys
unshift!(PyVector(pyimport("sys")["path"]), "") # Search for python modules in folder
# Search for python modules in package folder
unshift!(PyVector(pyimport("sys")["path"]), Pkg.dir("ImagesToLARModel/src"))
@pyimport larcc # Importing larcc from local folder

# Compute the 3-border operator
function computeOriented3Border(nx, ny, nz)
  """
  Compute the 3-border matrix using a modified
  version of larcc
  """
  V, bases = LARUtils.getBases(nx, ny, nz)
  boundaryMat = larcc.signedCellularBoundary(V, bases)
  return boundaryMat

end

function writeBorder(boundaryMatrix, outputFile)
  """
  Write 3-border matrix on json file
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    boundaryMatrix: matrix to write on file
    outputFile: path of the outputFile
    """

    rowcount = boundaryMatrix[:shape][1]
    colcount = boundaryMatrix[:shape][2]

    row = boundaryMatrix[:indptr]
    col = boundaryMatrix[:indices]
    data = boundaryMatrix[:data]

    # Writing informations on file
    outfile = open(outputFile, "w")

    matrixObj = MatrixObject(rowcount, colcount, row, col, data)
    JSON.print(outfile, matrixObj)
    close(outfile)

  end

  function getOriented3BorderPath(borderPath, nx, ny, nz)
    """
    Try reading 3-border matrix from file. If it fails matrix
    is computed and saved on disk in JSON format

    borderPath: path of border directory
    nx, ny, nz: image dimensions
    """

    filename = string(borderPath,"/border_", nx, "-", ny, "-", nz, ".json")
    if !isfile(filename)
      border = computeOriented3Border(nx, ny, nz)
      writeBorder(border, filename)
    end
    return filename

  end
  end
  ◇
```

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```
  module Lar2Julia
  """
```

```
larcc functions for Julia
"""
export larBoundaryChain, cscChainToCellList

import JSON

using Logging

function larBoundaryChain(cscBoundaryMat, brcCellList)
  """
  Compute boundary chains
  """

  # Computing boundary chains
  n = size(cscBoundaryMat)[1]
  m = size(cscBoundaryMat)[2]

  debug("Boundary matrix size: ", n, "\t", m)

  data = ones(Int64, length(brcCellList))

  i = Array(Int64, length(brcCellList))
  for k in 1:length(brcCellList)
    i[k] = brcCellList[k] + 1
  end

  j = ones(Int64, length(brcCellList))

  debug("cscChain rows length: ", length(i))
  debug("cscChain columns length: ", length(j))
  debug("cscChain data length: ", length(brcCellList))

  debug("rows ", i)
  debug("columns ", j)
  debug("data ", data)

  cscChain = sparse(i, j, data, m, 1)
  cscmat = cscBoundaryMat * cscChain
  out = cscBinFilter(cscmat)
  return out
end

function cscBinFilter(CSCm)
  k = 1
  data = nonzeros(CSCm)
  sgArray = copysign(1, data)
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  while k <= nnz(CSCm)
    if data[k] % 2 == 1 || data[k] % 2 == -1
      data[k] = 1 * sgArray[k]
    else
      data[k] = 0
    end
    k += 1
  end

  return CSCm
end

function cscChainToCellList(CSCm)
  """
  Get a csc containing a chain and returns
  the cell list of the "+1" oriented faces
  """
  data = nonzeros(CSCm)
  # Now I need to remove zero element (problem with Julia nonzeros)
  nonzeroData = Array(Int64, 0)
  for n in data
    if n != 0
      push!(nonzeroData, n)
    end
  end

  cellList = Array(Int64,0)
  for (k, theRow) in enumerate(findn(CSCm)[1])
    if nonzeroData[k] == 1
      push!(cellList, theRow)
    end
  end
  return cellList
end
end
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```

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```
module LARUtils
"""
Utility functions for extracting 3d models from images
"""
```

```
export ind, invertIndex, getBases

function ind(x, y, z, nx, ny)
    """
    Transform coordinates into linearized matrix indexes
    """
    return x + (nx+1) * (y + (ny+1) * (z))
  end


function invertIndex(nx,ny,nz)
  """
  Invert indexes
  """
  nx, ny, nz = nx + 1, ny + 1, nz + 1
  function invertIndex0(offset)
      a0, b0 = trunc(offset / nx), offset % nx
      a1, b1 = trunc(a0 / ny), a0 % ny
      a2, b2 = trunc(a1 / nz), a1 % nz
      return b0, b1, b2
  end
  return invertIndex0
end


function getBases(nx, ny, nz)
  """
  Compute all LAR relations
  """

  function the3Dcell(coords)
    x,y,z = coords
    return [ind(x,y,z,nx,ny),ind(x+1,y,z,nx,ny),ind(x,y+1,z,nx,ny),ind(x,y,z+1,nx,ny),ind(x+1,y
            ind(x+1,y,z+1,nx,ny),ind(x,y+1,z+1,nx,ny),ind(x+1,y+1,z+1,nx,ny)]
  end

  # Calculating vertex coordinates (nx * ny * nz)
  V = Array{Int64}[]
  for z in 0:nz
    for y in 0:ny
      for x in 0:nx
        push!(V,[x,y,z])
      end
    end
  end
```

```
# Building CV relationship
CV = Array{Int64}[]
for z in 0:nz-1
  for y in 0:ny-1
    for x in 0:nx-1
      push!(CV,the3Dcell([x,y,z]))
    end
  end
end

# Building FV relationship
FV = Array{Int64}[]
v2coords = invertIndex(nx,ny,nz)

for h in 0:(length(V)-1)
  x,y,z = v2coords(h)

  if (x < nx) && (y < ny)
    push!(FV, [h,ind(x+1,y,z,nx,ny),ind(x,y+1,z,nx,ny),ind(x+1,y+1,z,nx,ny)])
  end

  if (x < nx) && (z < nz)
    push!(FV, [h,ind(x+1,y,z,nx,ny),ind(x,y,z+1,nx,ny),ind(x+1,y,z+1,nx,ny)])
  end

  if (y < ny) && (z < nz)
    push!(FV,[h,ind(x,y+1,z,nx,ny),ind(x,y,z+1,nx,ny),ind(x,y+1,z+1,nx,ny)])
  end

end

# Building VV relationship
VV = map((x)->[x], 0:length(V)-1)

# Building EV relationship
EV = Array{Int64}[]
for h in 0:length(V)-1
  x,y,z = v2coords(h)
  if (x < nx)
    push!(EV, [h,ind(x+1,y,z,nx,ny)])
  end
  if (y < ny)
    push!(EV, [h,ind(x,y+1,z,nx,ny)])
  end
  if (z < nz)
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            push!(EV, [h,ind(x,y,z+1,nx,ny)])
          end
        end

        # return all basis
        return V, (VV, EV, FV, CV)
      end
      end
      ◇
```

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```
      module Model2Obj
      """
      Module that takes a 3d model and write it on
      obj files
      """

      require(string(Pkg.dir("ImagesToLARModel/src"), "/larUtils.jl"))

      import LARUtils

      using Logging

      export writeToObj, mergeObj, computeModel


      function lessThanVertices(v1, v2)
        """
        Utility function for comparing vertices coordinates
        """

        if v1[1] == v2[2]
          if v1[2] == v2[2]
            return v1[3] < v2[3]
          end
          return v1[2] < v2[2]
        end
        return v1[1] < v2[2]
      end

      function removeDoubleVerticesAndFaces(V, FV, facesOffset)
        """
        Removes double vertices and faces from a LAR model
```

```
  V: Array containing all vertices
  FV: Array containing all faces
  facesOffset: offset for faces indices
  """

  newV, indices = removeDoubleVertices(V)
  reindexedFaces = reindexVerticesInFaces(FV, indices, facesOffset)
  newFV = unique(FV)

  return newV, newFV

end

function removeDoubleVertices(V)
  """
  Remove double vertices from a LAR model

  V: Array containing all vertices of the model
  """

  # Sort the vertices list and returns the ordered indices
  orderedIndices = sortperm(V, lt = lessThanVertices, alg=MergeSort)

  orderedVerticesAndIndices = collect(zip(sort(V, lt = lessThanVertices),
                                          orderedIndices))
  newVertices = Array(Array{Int}, 0)
  indices = zeros(Int, length(V))
  prevv = Nothing
  i = 1
  for (v, ind) in orderedVerticesAndIndices
    if v == prevv
      indices[ind] = i - 1
    else
      push!(newVertices, v)
      indices[ind] = i
      i += 1
      prevv = v
    end
  end
  return newVertices, indices
end

function reindexVerticesInFaces(FV, indices, offset)
  """
  Reindex vertices indexes in faces array
```

```
  FV: Faces array of the LAR model
  indices: new Indices for faces
  offset: offset for faces indices
  """

  for f in FV
    for i in 1: length(f)
      f[i] = indices[f[i] - offset] + offset
    end
  end
  return FV
end

function computeModel(imageDx, imageDy, imageDz,
                      xStart, yStart, zStart,
                      facesOffset, objectBoundaryChain)
  """
  Takes the boundary chain of a part of the entire model
  and returns a LAR model

  imageDx, imageDy, imageDz: Boundary dimensions
  xStart, yStart, zStart: Offset of this part of the model
  facesOffset: Offset for the faces
  objectBoundaryChain: Sparse csc matrix containing the cells
  """

  V, bases = LARUtils.getBases(imageDx, imageDy, imageDz)
  FV = bases[3]

  V_model = Array(Array{Int}, 0)
  FV_model = Array(Array{Int}, 0)

  vertex_count = 1

  #b2cells = Lar2Julia.cscChainToCellList(objectBoundaryChain)
  # Get all cells (independently from orientation)
  b2cells = findn(objectBoundaryChain)[1]

  debug("b2cells = ", b2cells)

  for f in b2cells
    old_vertex_count = vertex_count
    for vtx in FV[f]
      push!(V_model, [convert(Int, V[vtx + 1][1] + xStart),
                      convert(Int64, V[vtx + 1][2] + yStart),
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                    convert(Int64, V[vtx + 1][3] + zStart)])
      vertex_count += 1
    end

    push!(FV_model, [old_vertex_count + facesOffset, old_vertex_count + 1 + facesOffset, old_v
    push!(FV_model, [old_vertex_count + facesOffset, old_vertex_count + 3 + facesOffset, old_v
  end

  # Removing double vertices
  return removeDoubleVerticesAndFaces(V_model, FV_model, facesOffset)

end

function writeToObj(V, FV, outputFilename)
  """
  Take a LAR model and write it on obj file

  V: array containing vertices coordinates
  FV: array containing faces
  outputFilename: prefix for the output files
  """

  outputVtx = string(outputFilename, "_vtx.stl")
  outputFaces = string(outputFilename, "_faces.stl")

  fileVertex = open(outputVtx, "w")
  fileFaces = open(outputFaces, "w")

  for v in V
    write(fileVertex, "v ")
    write(fileVertex, string(v[1], " "))
    write(fileVertex, string(v[2], " "))
    write(fileVertex, string(v[3], "\n"))
  end

  for f in FV

    write(fileFaces, "f ")
    write(fileFaces, string(f[1], " "))
    write(fileFaces, string(f[2], " "))
    write(fileFaces, string(f[3], "\n"))
  end

  close(fileVertex)
  close(fileFaces)
```

```
end

function mergeObj_old(modelDirectory)
  """
  Merge stl files in a single obj file

  modelDirectory: directory containing models
  """

  files = readdir(modelDirectory)
  vertices_files = files[find(s -> contains(s,string("_vtx.stl")), files)]
  faces_files = files[find(s -> contains(s,string("_faces.stl")), files)]
  obj_file = open(string(modelDirectory,"/","model.obj"),"w") # Output file

  vertices_counts = Array(Int64, length(vertices_files))
  number_of_vertices = 0
  for i in 1:length(vertices_files)
    vtx_file = vertices_files[i]
    f = open(string(modelDirectory, "/", vtx_file))
    debug("Opening ", vtx_file)

    # Writing vertices on the obj file
    for ln in eachline(f)
      write(obj_file, ln)
      number_of_vertices += 1
    end
    # Saving number of vertices
    vertices_counts[i] = number_of_vertices
    close(f)
  end

  for i in 1 : length(faces_files)
    faces_file = faces_files[i]
    f = open(string(modelDirectory, "/", faces_file))
    debug("Opening ", faces_file)
    for ln in eachline(f)
      splitted = split(ln)
      write(obj_file, "f ")
      if i > 1
        write(obj_file, string(parse(splitted[2]) + vertices_counts[i - 1], " "))
        write(obj_file, string(parse(splitted[3]) + vertices_counts[i - 1], " "))
        write(obj_file, string(parse(splitted[4]) + vertices_counts[i - 1]))
      else
        write(obj_file, string(splitted[2], " "))
        write(obj_file, string(splitted[3], " "))
        write(obj_file, splitted[4])
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      end
      write(obj_file, "\n")
    end
    close(f)
  end
  close(obj_file)

  # Removing all tmp files
  for vtx_file in vertices_files
    #rm(string(modelDirectory, "/", vtx_file))
  end

  for fcs_file in faces_files
    #rm(string(modelDirectory, "/", fcs_file))
  end

end

function assignTasks(startInd, endInd, taskArray)
  """
  This function choose the first files to merge
  creating a tree where number of processes is maximized

  startInd: starting index for array subdivision
  endInd: end index for array subdivision
  taskArray: array containing indices of files to merge for first
  """
  if (endInd - startInd == 2)
    push!(taskArray, startInd)
  elseif (endInd - startInd < 2)
    if (endInd % 4 != 0 && startInd != endInd)
      # Stop recursion on this branch
      push!(taskArray, startInd)
    end
    # Stop recursion doing nothing
  else
    assignTasks(startInd, startInd + trunc((endInd - startInd) / 2), taskArray)
    assignTasks(startInd + trunc((endInd - startInd) / 2) + 1, endInd, taskArray)
  end
end

function mergeVerticesFiles(file1, file2, startOffset)
  """
  Support function for merging two vertices files.
  Returns the number of vertices of the merged file
```

```
  file1: path of the first file
  file2: path of the second file
  startOffset: starting face offset for second file
  """

  f1 = open(file1, "a")

  f2 = open(file2)
  debug("Merging ", file2)
  number_of_vertices = startOffset
  for ln in eachline(f2)
    write(f1, ln)
    number_of_vertices += 1
  end
  close(f2)

  close(f1)

  return number_of_vertices
end


function mergeFacesFiles(file1, file2, facesOffset)
  """
  Support function for merging two faces files

  file1: path of the first file
  file2: path of the second file
  facesOffset: offset for faces
  """

  f1 = open(file1, "a")

  f2 = open(file2)
  for ln in eachline(f2)
    splitted = split(ln)
    write(f1, "f ")
    write(f1, string(parse(splitted[2]) + facesOffset, " "))
    write(f1, string(parse(splitted[3]) + facesOffset, " "))
    write(f1, string(parse(splitted[4]) + facesOffset, "\n"))
  end
  close(f2)

  close(f1)
end
```

```
function mergeObjProcesses(fileArray, facesOffset = Nothing)
  """
  Merge files on a single process

  fileArray: Array containing files that will be merged
  facesOffset (optional): if merging faces files, this array contains
    offsets for every file
  """

  if(contains(fileArray[1], string("_vtx.stl")))
    # Merging vertices files
    offsets = Array(Int, 0)
    push!(offsets, countlines(fileArray[1]))
    vertices_count = mergeVerticesFiles(fileArray[1], fileArray[2], countlines(fileArray[1]))
    rm(fileArray[2]) # Removing merged file
    push!(offsets, vertices_count)
    for i in 3: length(fileArray)
      vertices_count = mergeVerticesFiles(fileArray[1], fileArray[i], vertices_count)
      rm(fileArray[i]) # Removing merged file
      push!(offsets, vertices_count)
    end
    return offsets
  else
    # Merging faces files
    mergeFacesFiles(fileArray[1], fileArray[2], facesOffset[1])
    rm(fileArray[2]) # Removing merged file
    for i in 3 : length(fileArray)
      mergeFacesFiles(fileArray[1], fileArray[i], facesOffset[i - 1])
      rm(fileArray[i]) # Removing merged file
    end
  end
end

function mergeObjHelper(vertices_files, faces_files)
  """
  Support function for mergeObj. It takes vertices and faces files
  and execute a single merging step

  vertices_files: Array containing vertices files
  faces_files: Array containing faces files
  """
  numberOfImages = length(vertices_files)
  taskArray = Array(Int, 0)
  assignTasks(1, numberOfImages, taskArray)

  # Now taskArray contains first files to merge
```

```
  numberOfVertices = Array(Int, 0)
  tasks = Array(RemoteRef, 0)
  for i in 1 : length(taskArray) - 1
    task = @spawn mergeObjProcesses(vertices_files[taskArray[i] : (taskArray[i + 1] - 1)])
    push!(tasks, task)
    #append!(numberOfVertices, mergeObjProcesses(vertices_files[taskArray[i] : (taskArray[i +
  end

  # Merging last vertices files
  task = @spawn mergeObjProcesses(vertices_files[taskArray[length(taskArray)] : end])
  push!(tasks, task)
  #append!(numberOfVertices, mergeObjProcesses(vertices_files[taskArray[length(taskArray)] : en


  for task in tasks
    append!(numberOfVertices, fetch(task))
  end

  debug("NumberOfVertices = ", numberOfVertices)

  # Merging faces files
  tasks = Array(RemoteRef, 0)
  for i in 1 : length(taskArray) - 1

    task = @spawn mergeObjProcesses(faces_files[taskArray[i] : (taskArray[i + 1] - 1)],
                                    numberOfVertices[taskArray[i] : (taskArray[i + 1] - 1)])
    push!(tasks, task)

    #mergeObjProcesses(faces_files[taskArray[i] : (taskArray[i + 1] - 1)],
    #                  numberOfVertices[taskArray[i] : (taskArray[i + 1] - 1)])
  end

  #Merging last faces files
  task = @spawn mergeObjProcesses(faces_files[taskArray[length(taskArray)] : end],
                                  numberOfVertices[taskArray[length(taskArray)] : end])

  push!(tasks, task)
  #mergeObjProcesses(faces_files[taskArray[length(taskArray)] : end],
  #                  numberOfVertices[taskArray[length(taskArray)] : end])

  for task in tasks
    wait(task)
  end

end
```

```
    function mergeObj(modelDirectory)
      """
      Merge stl files in a single obj file using a parallel
      approach. Files will be recursively merged two by two
      generating a tree where number of processes for every
      step is maximized

      modelDirectory: directory containing models
      """

      files = readdir(modelDirectory)

      # Appending directory path to every file
      files = map((s) -> string(modelDirectory, "/", s), files)

      # While we have more than one vtx file and one faces file
      while(length(files) != 2)
        vertices_files = files[find(s -> contains(s,string("_vtx.stl")), files)]
        faces_files = files[find(s -> contains(s,string("_faces.stl")), files)]

        # Merging files
        mergeObjHelper(vertices_files, faces_files)

        files = readdir(modelDirectory)
        files = map((s) -> string(modelDirectory, "/", s), files)
      end

      mergeVerticesFiles(files[2], files[1], 0)
      mv(files[2], string(modelDirectory, "/model.obj"))
      rm(files[1])

    end
    end
    ◇
```

"src/pngStack2Array3dJulia.jl" 25≡

```
    module PngStack2Array3dJulia

    """
    This module loads a stack of png files returning
    an array of pixel values divided into segments
    """
```

```
export calculateClusterCentroids, pngstack2array3d, getImageData, convertImages

using Images # For loading png images
using Colors # For grayscale images
using PyCall # For including python clustering
using Logging
@pyimport scipy.ndimage as ndimage
@pyimport scipy.cluster.vq as cluster

NOISE_SHAPE_DETECT=10

function getImageData(imageFile)
  """
  Get width and heigth from a png image
  """

  input = open(imageFile, "r")
  data = readbytes(input, 24)

  if (data[2:4] != [80, 78, 71] && data[13:16] != [73, 72, 68, 82])
    error("This is not a png image")
  end

  w = data[17:20]
  h = data[21:24]

  width = reinterpret(Int32, reverse(w))[1]
  height = reinterpret(Int32, reverse(h))[1]

  close(input)

  return width, height
end

function calculateClusterCentroids(path, image, numberOfClusters = 2)
  """
  Loads an image and calculate cluster centroids for segmentation

  path: Path of the image folder
  image: name of the image
  numberOfClusters: number of desidered clusters
  """
  imageFilename = string(path, image)

  img = imread(imageFilename) # Open png image with Julia Package
```

```
  rgb_img = convert(Image{ColorTypes.RGB}, img)
  gray_img = convert(Image{ColorTypes.Gray}, rgb_img)
  imArray = raw(gray_img)

  imageWidth = size(imArray)[1]
  imageHeight = size(imArray)[2]

  # Getting pixel values and saving them with another shape
  image3d = Array(Array{Uint8,2}, 0)

  # Inserting page on another list and reshaping
  push!(image3d, imArray)
  pixel = reshape(image3d[1], (imageWidth * imageHeight), 1)

  # Segmenting image using kmeans
  # https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Image_segmentation#Clustering_methods

  centroids,_ = cluster.kmeans(pixel, numberOfClusters)

  return centroids

end


function pngstack2array3d(path, minSlice, maxSlice, centroids)
  """
  Import a stack of PNG images into a 3d array

  path: path of images directory
  minSlice and maxSlice: number of first and last slice
  centroids: centroids for image segmentation
  """

  # image3d contains all images values
  image3d = Array(Array{Uint8,2}, 0)

  debug("maxSlice = ", maxSlice, " minSlice = ", minSlice)
  files = readdir(path)

  for slice in minSlice : (maxSlice - 1)
    debug("slice = ", slice)
    imageFilename = string(path, files[slice + 1])
    debug("image name: ", imageFilename)
    img = imread(imageFilename) # Open png image with Julia Package

    # Converting image in grayscale
```

```
    rgb_img = convert(Image{ColorTypes.RGB}, img)
    gray_img = convert(Image{ColorTypes.Gray}, rgb_img)
    imArray = raw(gray_img) # Putting pixel values into RAW 3d array
    debug("imArray size: ", size(imArray))

    # Inserting page on another list and reshaping
    push!(image3d, imArray)

  end

  # Removing noise using a median filter and quantization
  for page in 1:length(image3d)

    # Denoising
    image3d[page] = ndimage.median_filter(image3d[page], NOISE_SHAPE_DETECT)

    # Image Quantization
    debug("page = ", page)
    debug("image3d[page] dimensions: ", size(image3d[page])[1], "\t", size(image3d[page])[2])
    pixel = reshape(image3d[page], size(image3d[page])[1] * size(image3d[page])[2] , 1)
    qnt,_ = cluster.vq(pixel,centroids)

    # Reshaping quantization result
    centers_idx = reshape(qnt, size(image3d[page],1), size(image3d[page],2))
    #centers_idx = reshape(qnt, size(image3d[page]))

    # Inserting quantized values into 3d image array
    tmp = Array(Uint8, size(image3d[page],1), size(image3d[page],2))

    for j in 1:size(image3d[1],2)
      for i in 1:size(image3d[1],1)
        tmp[i,j] = centroids[centers_idx[i,j] + 1]
      end
    end

    image3d[page] = tmp

  end

  return image3d
end

function convertImages(inputPath, outputPath, bestImage)
  """
  Get all images contained in inputPath directory
  saving them in outputPath directory in png format.
```

```
If images have one of two odd dimensions, they will be resized
and if folder contains an odd number of images another one will be
added

inputPath: Directory containing input images
outputPath: Temporary directory containing png images
bestImage: Image chosen for centroids computation

Returns the new name for the best image
"""

imageFiles = readdir(inputPath)
numberOfImages = length(imageFiles)
outputPrefix = ""
for i in 1: length(string(numberOfImages)) - 1
  outputPrefix = string(outputPrefix,"0")
end

newBestImage = ""
imageNumber = 0
for imageFile in imageFiles
  img = imread(string(inputPath, imageFile))

  # resizing images if they do not have even dimensions
  dim = size(img)
  if(dim[1] % 2 != 0)
    debug("Image has odd x; resizing")
    xrange = 1: dim[1] - 1
  else
    xrange = 1: dim[1]
  end

  if(dim[2] % 2 != 0)
    debug("Image has odd y; resizing")
    yrange = 1: dim[2] - 1
  else
    yrange = 1: dim[2]
  end

  img = subim(img, xrange, yrange)

  outputFilename = string(outputPath, outputPrefix[length(string(imageNumber)):end], imageNu
  imwrite(img, outputFilename)

  # Searching the best image
  if(imageFile == bestImage)
```

```
      newBestImage = string(outputPrefix[length(string(imageNumber)):end], imageNumber,".png")
    end

    imageNumber += 1
  end

  # Adding another image if they are odd
  if(numberOfImages % 2 != 0)
    debug("Odd images, adding one")
    bestImage = imread(string(outputPath, "/", newBestImage))
    imArray = zeros(Uint8, size(bestImage))
    img = grayim(imArray)
    outputFilename = string(outputPath, "/", outputPrefix[length(string(imageNumber)):end], ima
    imwrite(img, outputFilename)
  end

  return newBestImage
end

end
```
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2.1 Installing the library

3 Conclusions

3.1 Results

3.2 Further improvements

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A Utility functions

B Tests

Generation of the border matrix

"test/generateBorderMatrix.jl" 30≡

```
push!(LOAD_PATH, "../../")
import GenerateBorderMatrix
import JSON
using Base.Test

function testComputeOriented3Border()
  """
  Test function for computeOriented3Border
  """
  boundaryMatrix = GenerateBorderMatrix.computeOriented3Border(2,2,2)

  rowcount = boundaryMatrix[:shape][1]
  @test rowcount == 36
  colcount = boundaryMatrix[:shape][2]
  @test colcount == 8
  row = boundaryMatrix[:indptr]
  @test row == [0,1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9,11,12,13,15,17,18,19,20,22,23,24,26,27,29,30,32,34,35,37,39,4
  col = boundaryMatrix[:indices]
  @test col == [0,0,0,1,1,0,1,1,2,0,2,2,3,1,3,2,3,3,2,3,0,4,4,4,1,5,5,4,5,5,2,6,4,6,6,3,7,5,7,6
  data = boundaryMatrix[:data]
  @test data == [-1,1,-1,-1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,1,-1,1,-1,1,-1,1,1,-1,1,1

end

function testWriteBorder()
  """
  Test for writeBorder
  """
  boundaryMatrix = GenerateBorderMatrix.computeOriented3Border(2,2,2)
  filename = "borderFile"

  GenerateBorderMatrix.writeBorder(boundaryMatrix, filename)
  @test isfile(filename)

  # Loading borderMatrix from json file
  borderData = JSON.parsefile(filename)
  row = Array(Int64, length(borderData["ROW"]))
  col = Array(Int64, length(borderData["COL"]))
  data = Array(Int64, length(borderData["DATA"]))

  @test borderData["ROW"] == [0,1,2,3,4,5,7,8,9,11,12,13,15,17,18,19,20,22,23,24,26,27,29,30,3
  @test borderData["COL"] == [0,0,0,1,1,0,1,1,2,0,2,2,3,1,3,2,3,3,2,3,0,4,4,4,1,5,5,4,5,5,2,6,4
  @test borderData["DATA"] == [-1,1,-1,-1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,1,-1,-1,-1,1,1,-1,1,-1,-1,1,-1,1,-1,1

  rm(filename)
```

```
end

function executeAllTests()
  @time testComputeOriented3Border()
  @time testWriteBorder()
  println("Tests completed.")
end

executeAllTests()
```

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Conversion of a png stack to a 3D array

"test/pngStack2Array3dJulia.jl" 32≡

```
push!(LOAD_PATH, "../../")
import PngStack2Array3dJulia
using Base.Test

function testGetImageData()
  """
  Test function for getImageData
  """

  width, height = PngStack2Array3dJulia.getImageData("images/0.png")

  @test width == 50
  @test height == 50

end

function testCalculateClusterCentroids()
  """
  Test function for calculateClusterCentroids
  """
  path = "images/"
  image = 0
  centroids = PngStack2Array3dJulia.calculateClusterCentroids(path, image, 2)

  expected = [0, 253]
  centroids = vec(reshape(centroids, 1, 2))

  @test sort(centroids) == expected
```

```
end

function testPngstack2array3d()
  """
  Test function for pngstack2array3d
  """
  path = "images/"
  minSlice = 0
  maxSlice = 4
  centroids = PngStack2Array3dJulia.calculateClusterCentroids(path, 0, 2)
  image3d = PngStack2Array3dJulia.pngstack2array3d(path, minSlice, maxSlice, centroids)

  @test size(image3d)[1] == 5
  @test size(image3d[1])[1] == 50
  @test size(image3d[1])[2] == 200

end

function executeAllTests()
  @time testCalculateClusterCentroids()
  @time testPngstack2array3d()
  @time testGetImageData()
  println("Tests completed.")
end

executeAllTests()

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```

Test for LAR utilities

"test/LARUtils.jl" 33≡

```
push!(LOAD_PATH, "../../")
import LARUtils
using Base.Test

function testInd()
  """
  Test function for ind
  """

  nx = 2
  ny = 2
```

```
  @test LARUtils.ind(0, 0, 0, nx, ny) == 0
  @test LARUtils.ind(1, 1, 1, nx, ny) == 13
  @test LARUtils.ind(2, 5, 4, nx, ny) == 53
  @test LARUtils.ind(1, 1, 1, nx, ny) == 13
  @test LARUtils.ind(2, 7, 1, nx, ny) == 32
  @test LARUtils.ind(1, 0, 3, nx, ny) == 28
end

function executeAllTests()
  @time testInd()
  println("Tests completed.")
end

executeAllTests()
```

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