GetContours is a Matlab-based platform that provides straightforward click-and-drag positioning of reference points controlling a cubic spline fit to a displayed ultrasound image of the tongue surface.

- supports image filtering, averaging, and contrast enhancement
- <u>Praat</u> TextGrids labeled on associated audio can be imported to identify and annotate articulatory events of interest, allowing rapid selection of key frames within image sequences
- optional 'plug-in' procedures can be used for image pre-processing (e.g. resizing or enhancement) and automated tracking (e.g. 'snake' deformable active contour models)
- use separate DotsPlace, DotsTrack procedures to track image features to generate e.g. head-centric correction signals of extracted contours

See 'help GetContours' within Matlab for usage and examples.

See UltraFest2015.pdf (a poster presented at the <u>Hong Kong Ultrafest VII</u>) for an overview of GetContours.

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