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3D Region of Interest Segmentation (3D-ROI)

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Introduction

This module implements a 3D region of interest (ROI) segmentation method. This is divided into three main components, the first visualizing a 3D region of interest, and the second implementing a grow algorithm to cut a point of interest (POI) within the ROI. Finally the third implements an automatic test and a reload button to ensure functionality. The interface consists of 6 main section, the first two Enter ROI Coordinates and Turn On ROI Visualization allowing the visualization of 3D region. The next two Cut ROI and the module Selection Criteria allowing for the segmentation and model creation of the ROI. The Selection Criteria slider controls the specificity of the growing algorithm. Finally the Test Module and Reload buttons allow the user to reload and check both the Script and User Interface.

Youtube link for module: https://youtu.be/X-k9C6xRLPw

Code Components

Setup

This section instantiates six buttons. The view for this can be found in Appendix 2.1 - User Interface.

Button Name	Description	Method Called	Function
roiButton	Enter ROI Coordinates	self.onSeedRoi	Allows user to input a ROI using the mouse.
visButton	Turn On ROI Visualisation	self.onVisualise	Gives a 3D visualisation of the user's ROI
cutButton	Cut ROI	self.onCut	Generates a 3D model of a relevant features based on an initial seeding point.
$reload Button \ sel Criteria \ test Button$	Reload Selection Criteria Test Module	self.onReload growCutAlgo.onApply() self.onTest	Reloads module and attached scripts. Calls growCut algorithm. Allows user to test module function.

Table 1: Objects Generated in Setup

```
#method counters
          self.roiMethodCounter = 0 #increments every time generate ROI or visualise is called
2
          self.roiNodeIncrement = 0 #takes value of roiMethodCounter on Generate ROI
          self.modelMethodCounter = 0 #increments every time new model is generated for id String
5
          #strings for node IDs
6
          self.roiIDString = ""
7
          self.modelIDString = ""
9
      def setup(self):
10
          # Instantiate and connect widgets ...
11
12
          # Collapsible button
14
          self.sampleCollapsibleButton = ctk.ctkCollapsibleButton()
15
          self.sampleCollapsibleButton.text = "Topic E"
16
          self.layout.addWidget(self.sampleCollapsibleButton)
17
18
          # Layout within the sample collapsible button
19
          self.sampleFormLayout = qt.QFormLayout(self.sampleCollapsibleButton)
20
21
          22
23
24
          self.inputFrame = qt.QFrame(self.sampleCollapsibleButton)
          self.inputFrame.setLayout(qt.QHBoxLayout())
25
          self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(self.inputFrame)
26
          self.inputSelector = qt.QLabel("Input Volume: ", self.inputFrame)
28
          self.inputFrame.layout().addWidget(self.inputSelector)
          self.inputSelector = slicer.qMRMLNodeComboBox(self.inputFrame)
29
          self.inputSelector.nodeTypes = ( ("vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode"), "" )
30
          self.inputSelector.addEnabled = False
31
          self.inputSelector.removeEnabled = False
          self.inputSelector.setMRMLScene( slicer.mrmlScene )
33
34
          self.inputFrame.layout().addWidget(self.inputSelector)
35
          36
37
          self.outputFrame = qt.QFrame(self.sampleCollapsibleButton)
38
          self.outputFrame.setLayout(qt.QHBoxLayout())
39
          self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(self.outputFrame)
40
          self.outputSelector = qt.QLabel("Output Volume: ", self.outputFrame)
41
          self.outputFrame.layout().addWidget(self.outputSelector)
42
          self.outputSelector = slicer.qMRMLNodeComboBox(self.outputFrame)
43
          self.outputSelector.nodeTypes = ( ("vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode"),
44
          self.outputSelector.setMRMLScene( slicer.mrmlScene )
45
46
          self.outputFrame.layout().addWidget(self.outputSelector)
47
48
          49
50
          # Add a seed button ROI
51
          roiButton = qt.QPushButton("Enter ROI Coordinates")
52
53
          roiButton.toolTip = "This allows you to select an ROI for visualisation"
          self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(roiButton)
54
          roiButton.connect('clicked()', self.onSeedROI)
55
          # Add a visualisation button ROI
57
          visButton = qt.QPushButton("Turn On ROI Visualisation")
58
          visButton.toolTip = "This visualises the ROI selected using Enter ROI Coordinates"
59
          self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(visButton)
60
          visButton.connect('clicked()', self.onVisualise)
61
62
          # Add a growCut algo button
63
          cutButton = qt.QPushButton("Cut ROI")
64
```

```
cutButton.toolTip = "After placing a seeding point in Editor, this button allows you ...
65
                to cut out that POI"
           self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(cutButton)
66
           cutButton.connect('clicked()', self.onCut)
67
68
           # Add a test button
69
           testButton = qt.QPushButton("Test Module")
           testButton.toolTip = "Test all modules features"
71
           self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(testButton)
           testButton.connect('clicked()', self.onTest)
73
74
           \ensuremath{\text{\#}} Add a reload button for debug
75
           reloadButton = qt.QPushButton("Reload")
76
           reloadButton.toolTip = "Reload this Module"
77
           self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(reloadButton)
78
           reloadButton.connect('clicked()', self.onReload)
80
            # Set local var as instance attribute
81
           self.reloadButton = reloadButton
           self.roiButton = roiButton
83
           self.visButton = visButton
           self.testButton = testButton
85
86
           self.cutButton = cutButton
87
            # Add vertical spacer
88
           self.layout.addStretch(1)
```

Block 1. Setup instantiates GUI objects

Enter ROI Coordinates

This section allows the user to input a ROI around a section in an scene. This is done to give a preliminary view of the ROI, before it is segmented into a model. The view for this can be found in *Appendix 2.2 - ROI Coordinate*. A counter *roiMethodCounter* is incremented every time this method is called, and is assigned to *self.roiNodeIncrement*. This is done as the Volume Render module creates another unnecessary ROI node when called. As such, a counter is required to keep track of which ROI nodes contain the correctly segmented data.

```
#method to get ROI
2
       def onSeedROI(self):
3
           selectionNode = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID("vtkMRMLSelectionNodeSingleton")
5
           # place rulers
           selectionNode.SetReferenceActivePlaceNodeClassName("vtkMRMLAnnotationROINode")
6
           interactionNode = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID("vtkMRMLInteractionNodeSingleton")
           placeModePersistence = 1
           interactionNode.SetPlaceModePersistence(placeModePersistence)
10
           # mode 1 is Place, can also be accessed via slicer.vtkMRMLInteractionNode().Place
11
           interactionNode.SetCurrentInteractionMode(1)
13
14
           self.roiMethodCounter += 1
           self.roiNodeIncrement = self.roiMethodCounter #counter only increments when region is ...
15
               segmented, means visalisation only occurs for this node
```

Block 2. Allows users to input ROI coordinates using a mouse

Turn On ROI Visualization

This section allows the user to visualize the ROI designated in the previous section. This is done to give a preliminary view of the ROI, before a specific object is cut out. The view for this can be found in *Appendix 2.3 - ROI Segment Visualization*. A string *self.roiIDString* is constructed from *self.roiNodeIncrement* to ensure that the correct ROI node is visualized. The variable *self.roiMethodCounter* is incremented after this method to account for the unnecessary ROI node generated by the Volume Render module.

```
#method to visualise segment
2
       def onVisualise(self) :
3
           logic = slicer.modules.volumerendering.logic()
           volumeNode = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID('vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode1')
5
           displayNode = logic.CreateVolumeRenderingDisplayNode()
6
           self.roiIDString = 'vtkMRMLAnnotationROINode' + str(self.roiNodeIncrement) ...
               #visualises correct node based on methods
8
           #crop volumeNode for ROINode and visualise
9
           displayNode.CroppingEnabledOn()
10
           slicer.mrmlScene.AddNode(displayNode)
           displayNode.UnRegister(logic)
12
13
           logic.UpdateDisplayNodeFromVolumeNode(displayNode, volumeNode)
           volumeNode.AddAndObserveDisplayNodeID(displayNode.GetID())
14
15
16
           #visualise ROI node
           displayNode.SetAndObserveROINodeID(self.roiIDString)
17
18
           self.roiMethodCounter += 1
19
21
22
23
           return
```

Block 3. Automatically presents a 3D visualization of the ROI

Grow and Cut ROI

This section allows the user to grow and cut an POI within an ROI based on an initial seeding point. This initial seeding point is placed using the Editor module, and the view for this can be found in *Appendix 2.4 - ROI Object Seeding*. While initial sections of the Topic E module implemented a paint brush tool to place the seeding tool, the Editor interface provides an incredibly robust and useful interface for correctly placing these seeding points. As such, it was chosen to retain the use of the Editor module as it comes in-built into Slicer, and to have the Topic E module handle the output of the Editor module effectively.

The file growCutAlgo.onApply() is called in this file. This imports the grow algorithm implemented in the tutorials in the ITBRegionGrow.py file. A modified version of this file can be found in Appendix 5 - Grow Cut Algorithm. Significant modifications include editing the User Interface to only retain the Selection Criteria for grey-scale control, and thee addition of self.roiCounter to allow for more robust node control, so that multiple objects can be generated sequentially from the same seeding point if the Selection Criteria controls are changed.

Lines 14 through to 24 implement a new Model Maker model based on the node generated in the growCutalgo.onApply(). This POI is then generated and visualized in 3D. The view for this can be found in $Appendix 2.5 - ROI \ Model \ Generation$, which shows the model visualized within the ROI segment from the previous sections. An isolated view of just the 3D model can be found in $Appendix 2.6 - ROI \ Model \ isolated$. Finally, $Appendix 2.7 - Selection \ Control$ shows that the 3D model can be controlled using the Selection Criteria module. If the values in this module are changed, and the self.onCut method is called again, the model is regenerated with the new parameters. This allows for flexibility in model creation. It is recommended that the user starts with low values, and progressively increase the Selection Criteria, as produces a computationally efficient result.

```
def onCut(self) :
2
            inputVolume = self.inputSelector.currentNode()
            outputVolume = self.outputSelector.currentNode()
5
6
           growCutAlgo.onApply() #apply growCut Algo
           print("Iteration Complete! That was iteration number: %i" % self.modelMethodCounter)
9
            #define ROI vairables for cutting
10
           scene = slicer.mrmlScene
11
           self.modelMethodCounter += 1
12
            self.modelIDString = "MRBrainTumor" + str(self.modelMethodCounter) + "-label_grow"
13
14
            #define nodes
15
           hie_node = slicer.vtkMRMLModelHierarchyNode()
16
17
           roi_node = slicer.util.getNode(self.modelIDString)
            #generate model
19
            scene.AddNode(hie_node)
20
           params = \{\}
21
           params['InputVolume'] = roi_node.GetID()
22
           params['ModelSceneFile'] = hie_node.GetID()
23
            slicer.cli.run(slicer.modules.modelmaker, None, params)
24
           mod_node = hie_node.GetModelNode()
25
26
            return
```

Block 4. Automatically segments and visualizes a POI in 3D

Test Module

This section allows the user to automatically test the complete functionality of the module. No view for this model has been provided, as it simply automatically executes all the other views. Significant features include lines 21 - 23, which allow the user to customize the ROI section they would like to automatically segment. Significantly, as this is automatic segmentation from a predetermined seeding point, and has no user input, the grow-cut algorithm will simply adopt the shape of the ROI segment defined in these lines.

```
#Add button to test all features of Topic E module
2
       Full reference for slicer unit test scripts found here:
3
       https://github.com/Slicer/Slicer/blob/master/Modules/Scripted/EditorLib/Testing/
4
       full reference for threshold testing found here:
6
       https://github.com/Slicer/blob/master/Modules/Scripted/EditorLib/Testing/ThresholdThreadingTest.py
       Above git has been used in the development of this metho'd
9
10
       def onTest(self) :
11
           #Import Sample Data
12
           import SampleData
13
14
           sampleDataLogic = SampleData.SampleDataLogic()
           MRBrainTumor1 = sampleDataLogic.downloadMRBrainTumor1()
15
16
17
           #Define ROI annotation Node
           roi = slicer.vtkMRMLAnnotationROINode()
18
19
           slicer.mrmlScene.AddNode(roi)
20
           #ENTER COORDINATES FOR ROI SEGMENT HERE
           roi.SetXYZ(-17.5, 26, 31)
22
23
           roi.SetRadiusXYZ(20, 20, 20)
24
           #Apply ROI cropping to node
25
           cropLogic = slicer.modules.cropvolume.logic()
           cvpn = slicer.vtkMRMLCropVolumeParametersNode()
27
           cvpn.SetROINodeID( roi.GetID() )
28
29
           cvpn.SetInputVolumeNodeID( MRBrainTumor1.GetID() )
           cropLogic.Apply( cvpn )
30
           croppedHead = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID( cvpn.GetOutputVolumeNodeID() )
31
32
           #Visualise ROI
33
34
           logic = slicer.modules.volumerendering.logic()
           volumeNode = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID('vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode1')
35
36
           displayNode = logic.CreateVolumeRenderingDisplayNode()
37
           #crop volumeNode for ROINode and visualise
38
39
           displayNode.CroppingEnabledOn()
40
           slicer.mrmlScene.AddNode(displayNode)
           displayNode.UnRegister(logic)
41
           logic.UpdateDisplayNodeFromVolumeNode(displayNode, volumeNode)
42
           volumeNode.AddAndObserveDisplayNodeID(displayNode.GetID())
43
44
           #visualise ROI node
45
           displayNode.SetAndObserveROINodeID(roi.GetID())
46
47
48
           # create a label map and set it for editing
49
50
51
           volumesLogic = slicer.modules.volumes.logic()
52
           croppedHeadLabel = volumesLogic.CreateAndAddLabelVolume( slicer.mrmlScene, ...
                croppedHead, croppedHead.GetName() + '-label' )
           selectionNode = slicer.app.applicationLogic().GetSelectionNode()
53
           selectionNode.SetReferenceActiveVolumeID( croppedHead.GetID() )
```

```
selectionNode.SetReferenceActiveLabelVolumeID( croppedHeadLabel.GetID() )
55
            slicer.app.applicationLogic().PropagateVolumeSelection(0)
57
58
59
            # got to the editor and do some drawing
60
            #self.delayDisplay("Paint some things")
62
63
            parameterNode = EditUtil.getParameterNode()
64
            lm = slicer.app.layoutManager()
65
66
            paintEffect = EditorLib.PaintEffectOptions()
            paintEffect.setMRMLDefaults()
67
            paintEffect.__del__()
            sliceWidget = lm.sliceWidget('Red')
69
70
            paintTool = EditorLib.PaintEffectTool(sliceWidget)
            EditUtil.setLabel(1)
71
72
            paintTool.paintAddPoint(1,1)
73
            paintTool.paintApply()
            paintTool.cleanup()
74
            paintTool = None
76
            #define nodes
77
            growCutLogic = EditorLib.GrowCutEffectLogic(sliceWidget.sliceLogic())
78
            growCutLogic.growCut()
79
81
            # now split the volume, merge it back, and see if it looks right
82
83
            preArray = slicer.util.array(croppedHeadLabel.GetName())
84
85
            #print preArray
            slicer.util.selectModule('Editor')
86
            slicer.util.findChildren(text='Split Merge Volume')[0].clicked()
87
            slicer.util.findChildren(text='Merge All')[0].clicked()
88
            postArray = slicer.util.array(croppedHeadLabel.GetName())
89
            hie_node = slicer.vtkMRMLModelHierarchyNode()
91
92
            roi_node = slicer.util.getNode('MRBrainTumor1-subvolume-scale_1-label')
            scene = slicer.mrmlScene
93
94
95
            scene.AddNode(hie_node)
            params = \{\}
96
            params['InputVolume'] = roi_node.GetID()
97
            params['ModelSceneFile'] = hie_node.GetID()
98
            slicer.cli.run(slicer.modules.modelmaker, None, params)
100
            mod_node = hie_node.GetModelNode()
101
102
            print("Topic E has finished execution!")
```

Block 5. Automatic testing of module's full functionality

Reload

This section allows the user to reload the modules scripts and user interface.

```
#method for reloading
       def onReload(self, moduleName = "HelloPython"):
           import imp, sys, os, slicer
3
           widgetName = moduleName + "Widget"
5
6
           # reload the source code
           fPath = eval('slicer.modules.%s.path' % moduleName.lower())
8
           p = os.path.dirname(fPath)
           if not sys.path...contains..(p):
10
               sys.path.insert(0,p)
           fp = open(fPath, "r")
12
           globals()[moduleName] = imp.load_module(
13
                   moduleName, fp, fPath, ('.py', 'r', imp.PY_SOURCE))
14
           fp.close()
15
           # rebuild the widget
17
           print "the module name to be reloaded,", moduleName
18
           # find the Button with a name 'moduleName Reolad', then find its parent (e.g., a ...
19
               collasp button) and grand parent (moduleNameWidget)
           parent = slicer.util.findChildren(name = '%s Reload' % moduleName)[0].parent().parent()
           for child in parent.children():
21
22
               try:
                   child.hide()
23
               except AttributeError:
24
                   pass
           # Remove spacer items
26
           item = parent.layout().itemAt(0)
27
           while item:
28
               parent.layout().removeItem(item)
29
               item = parent.layout().itemAt(0)
           # create new widget inside existing parent
31
32
           globals()[widgetName.lower()] = eval('globals()["%s"].%s(parent)' % (moduleName, ...
               widgetName))
           globals()[widgetName.lower()].setup()
33
34
           return
```

Block 6. Default reload object allows user to reload scripts

Appendix

Cut ROI Object

Figure 1: User Flow of module, with generated nodes

Visualize ROI

Seed & Grow ROI

Object

Key:

13

• Stage 1: vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode

Appendix 1 - User Flow

Enter ROI

- \bullet Stage 2: vtkMRMLAnnotationROInode
- Stage 3: vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode
- \bullet Stage 5: vtkMRMLmodelHierarchyNode

Appendix 2 - Segmentation Flow

Appendix 2.1 - User Interface

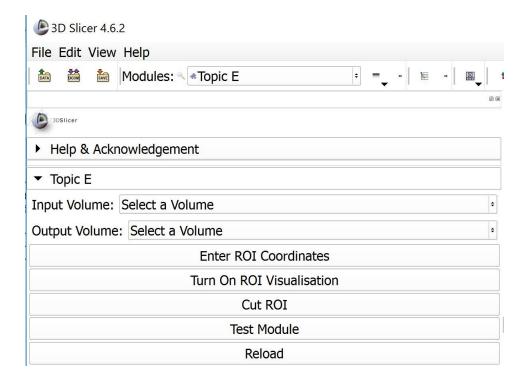


Figure 2: User Interface for Topic E

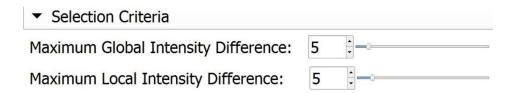


Figure 3: Selection Criteria Interface for Topic E

Appendix 2.2 - ROI Coordinates

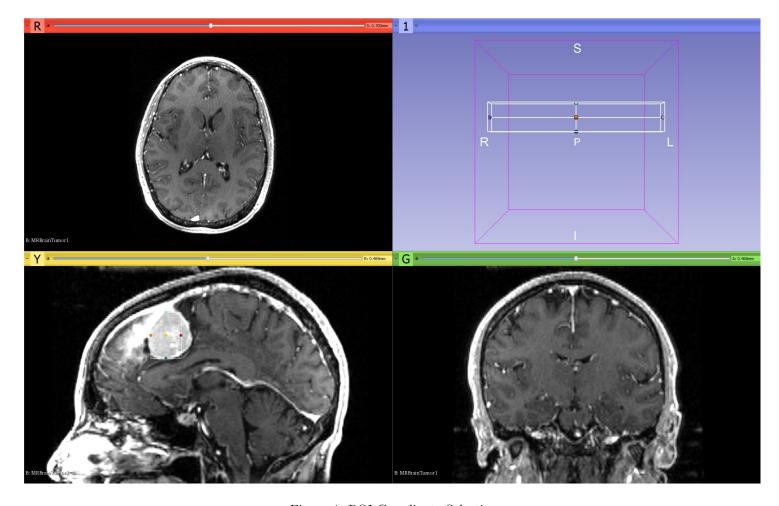


Figure 4: ROI Coordinate Selection

Appendix 2.3 - ROI Segment Visualization

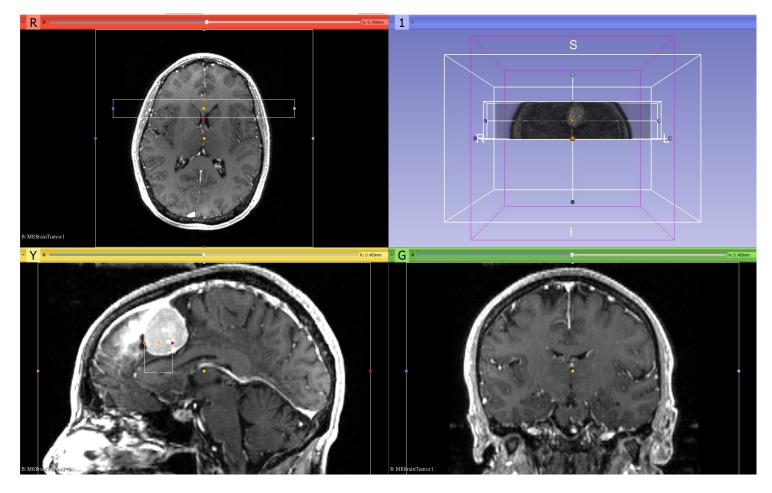


Figure 5: ROI Segmentation Cut

Appendix 2.4 - ROI Object Seeding

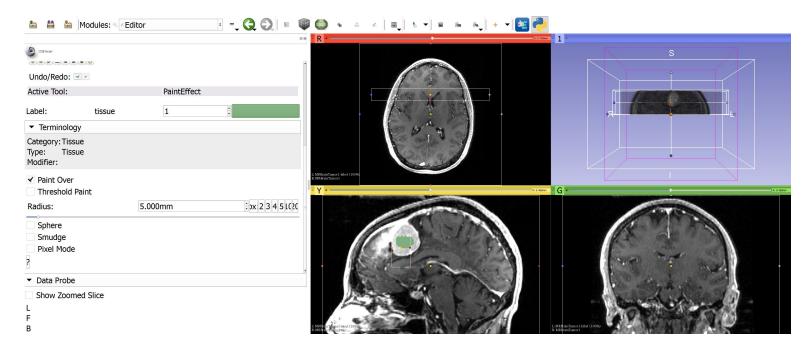


Figure 6: ROI Object Seeding using Editor

Appendix 2.5 - ROI Model Generation

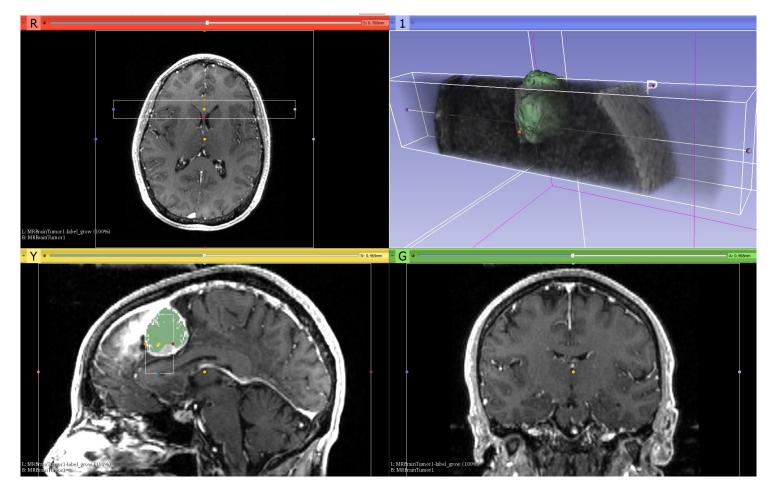


Figure 7: ROI Model Generation with ROI Visualization

Appendix 2.6 - ROI Model Isolated

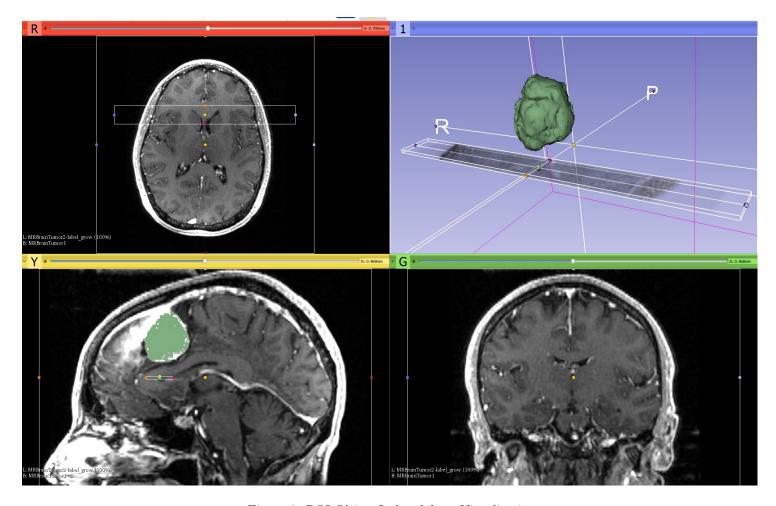


Figure 8: ROI Object Isolated from Visualization

Appendix 2.7 - Selection Control

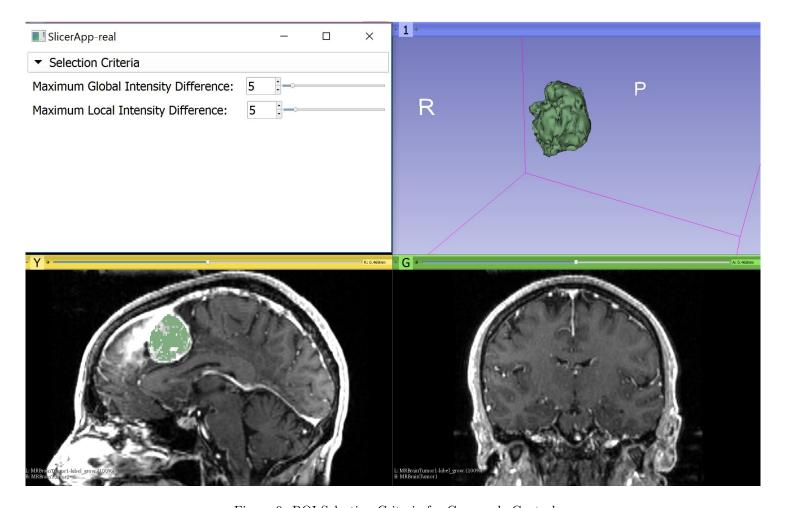


Figure 9: ROI Selection Criteria for Grey-scale Control

Appendix 3 - Code Development

Full git repository may be found here: https://github.com/Schlutz1/COMP5424
Full history of code development may be found here: https://github.com/Schlutz1/COMP5424/commits/master

Significant features from development include making quite significant changes to the code at two stages:

- The code first developed on May 6th initially placed seeding points using fiducials, and the bulk of the code was built around this premise. This was removed entirely in subsequent revisions, as better methods for seeding points were developed.
- The code initially attempted to implement a growCut algorithm within the main file. Due to the complexity of this algorithm this was eventually chosen to be developed in another file (*ITBRegionGrow.py*), and called in a more modular fashion.

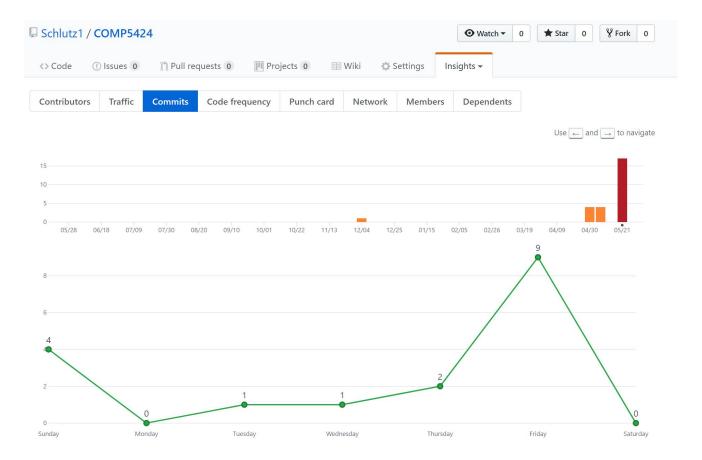


Figure 10: Chart of git commits and activity

Appendix 4 - Main Script

```
2 Max Schultz
3 SID: 440176697
5 MAIN FILE FOR TOPIC E - COMP5424
   Handles:
      - Setup of interface
       - ROI selection
      - ROI visualisation
9
      - Model Creation
10

    ITBRegionGrow for growCut algorithim

12
14
15 from __main__ import vtk, qt, ctk, slicer
16 from vtk.util import numpy_support
17
18 import numpy as np
import vtkSegmentationCorePython as vtkSegmentationCore
   import vtkSlicerSegmentationsModuleLogicPython as vtkSlicerSegmentationsModuleLogic
21 import SampleData
23 import unittest
24 import qt
   import slicer
   import EditorLib
27 from EditorLib.EditUtil import EditUtil
  from ITBRegionGrow import ITBRegionGrowWidget
29
   growCutAlgo = ITBRegionGrowWidget()
31
   #from ThresholdThreadingTest import
32
33
   class HelloPython:
34
35
       def __init__(self, parent):
           parent.title = "Topic E"
36
           parent.categories = ["COMP5424"]
38
           parent.dependencies = []
39
           parent.contributors = ["Max Schultz"] # replace with "Firstname Lastname (Org)"
40
           parent.helpText = """
41
           Module for visualising 3D segments, and then constructing 3D modules of regions of ...
               interest
43
           parent.acknowledgementText = """
44
           I'd like to acknowledge Sidong Liu (USYD) for his w in the development of this module.
45
           self.parent = parent
47
48
   class HelloPythonWidget:
49
       def __init__(self, parent = None):
50
           if not parent:
               self.parent = slicer.qMRMLWidget()
52
               self.parent.setLayout(qt.QVBoxLayout())
53
               self.parent.setMRMLScene(slicer.mrmlScene)
54
55
56
               self.parent = parent
           self.layout = self.parent.layout()
57
           if not parent:
58
               self.setup()
59
               self.parent.show()
```

```
61
           63
64
          self.roiMethodCounter = 0 #increments every time generate ROI or visualise is called
65
           self.roiNodeIncrement = 0 #takes value of roiMethodCounter on Generate ROI
66
          self.modelMethodCounter = 0 #increments every time new model is generated for id String
67
68
69
           #strings for node IDs
          self.roiIDString = ""
70
           self.modelIDString = ""
71
72
       def setup(self):
73
74
           # Instantiate and connect widgets ...
75
76
           # Collapsible button
77
           self.sampleCollapsibleButton = ctk.ctkCollapsibleButton()
78
           self.sampleCollapsibleButton.text = "Topic E"
79
          self.layout.addWidget(self.sampleCollapsibleButton)
80
           # Layout within the sample collapsible button
82
           self.sampleFormLayout = qt.QFormLayout(self.sampleCollapsibleButton)
83
84
           85
           self.inputFrame = qt.QFrame(self.sampleCollapsibleButton)
87
           self.inputFrame.setLayout(qt.QHBoxLayout())
88
           self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(self.inputFrame)
89
           self.inputSelector = qt.QLabel("Input Volume: ", self.inputFrame)
90
91
           self.inputFrame.layout().addWidget(self.inputSelector)
           self.inputSelector = slicer.qMRMLNodeComboBox(self.inputFrame)
92
           self.inputSelector.nodeTypes = ( ("vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode"), "" )
93
           self.inputSelector.addEnabled = False
94
95
           self.inputSelector.removeEnabled = False
           self.inputSelector.setMRMLScene( slicer.mrmlScene )
           self.inputFrame.layout().addWidget(self.inputSelector)
97
98
           99
100
101
           self.outputFrame = qt.QFrame(self.sampleCollapsibleButton)
           self.outputFrame.setLayout(qt.QHBoxLayout())
102
103
           self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(self.outputFrame)
           self.outputSelector = qt.QLabel("Output Volume: ", self.outputFrame)
104
105
           self.outputFrame.layout().addWidget(self.outputSelector)
           self.outputSelector = slicer.qMRMLNodeComboBox(self.outputFrame)
106
107
           self.outputSelector.nodeTypes = ( ("vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode"),
           self.outputSelector.setMRMLScene( slicer.mrmlScene )
108
          self.outputFrame.layout().addWidget(self.outputSelector)
109
110
111
112
           113
           # Add a seed button ROI
114
           roiButton = qt.QPushButton("Enter ROI Coordinates")
115
           roiButton.toolTip = "This allows you to select an ROI for visualisation"
116
           self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(roiButton)
117
118
          roiButton.connect('clicked()', self.onSeedROI)
119
120
           # Add a visualisation button ROI
          visButton = qt.QPushButton("Turn On ROI Visualisation")
121
122
          visButton.toolTip = "This visualises the ROI selected using Enter ROI Coordinates"
          self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(visButton)
123
124
          visButton.connect('clicked()', self.onVisualise)
125
```

```
126
            # Add a growCut algo button
            cutButton = qt.QPushButton("Cut ROI")
127
            cutButton.toolTip = "After placing a seeding point in Editor, this button allows you ...
128
                to cut out that POI"
            self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(cutButton)
129
            cutButton.connect('clicked()', self.onCut)
130
131
            # Add a test button
132
133
            testButton = qt.QPushButton("Test Module")
            testButton.toolTip = "Test all modules features"
134
            self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(testButton)
135
136
            testButton.connect('clicked()', self.onTest)
137
138
            # Add a reload button for debug
            reloadButton = qt.QPushButton("Reload")
139
140
            reloadButton.toolTip = "Reload this Module"
            self.sampleFormLayout.addWidget(reloadButton)
141
142
            reloadButton.connect('clicked()', self.onReload)
143
            # Set local var as instance attribute
144
            self.reloadButton = reloadButton
145
            self.roiButton = roiButton
146
            self.visButton = visButton
147
            self.testButton = testButton
148
            self.cutButton = cutButton
149
150
            # Add vertical spacer
151
            self.layout.addStretch(1)
152
153
154
        155
156
        #method to get ROI
157
        def onSeedROI(self):
158
159
            selectionNode = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID("vtkMRMLSelectionNodeSingleton")
160
161
            # place rulers
162
            selectionNode.SetReferenceActivePlaceNodeClassName("vtkMRMLAnnotationROINode")
163
            interactionNode = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID("vtkMRMLInteractionNodeSingleton")
164
165
            placeModePersistence = 1
            interactionNode.SetPlaceModePersistence(placeModePersistence)
166
167
            # mode 1 is Place, can also be accessed via slicer.vtkMRMLInteractionNode().Place
            interactionNode.SetCurrentInteractionMode(1)
168
169
            self.roiMethodCounter += 1
170
171
            self.roiNodeIncrement = self.roiMethodCounter #counter only increments when region is ...
                segmented, means visalisation only occurs for this node
172
        #method to visualise segment
173
        def onVisualise(self) :
174
175
176
            logic = slicer.modules.volumerendering.logic()
            volumeNode = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID('vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode1')
177
            displayNode = logic.CreateVolumeRenderingDisplayNode()
178
179
            self.roiIDString = 'vtkMRMLAnnotationROINode' + str(self.roiNodeIncrement) ...
                #visualises correct node based on methods
180
            #crop volumeNode for ROINode and visualise
181
182
            displayNode.CroppingEnabledOn()
            slicer.mrmlScene.AddNode(displayNode)
183
184
            displayNode.UnRegister(logic)
            logic.UpdateDisplayNodeFromVolumeNode(displayNode, volumeNode)
185
186
            volumeNode.AddAndObserveDisplayNodeID(displayNode.GetID())
187
```

```
#visualise ROI node
188
189
            displayNode.SetAndObserveROINodeID(self.roiIDString)
190
             self.roiMethodCounter += 1
191
192
193
194
            return
195
196
197
        #method to segment ROI
198
        def onCut(self) :
199
200
201
             inputVolume = self.inputSelector.currentNode()
202
203
            outputVolume = self.outputSelector.currentNode()
204
205
             growCutAlgo.onApply() #apply growCut Algo
            print("Iteration Complete! That was iteration number: %i" % self.modelMethodCounter)
206
207
             #define ROI vairables for cutting
208
            scene = slicer.mrmlScene
209
210
             self.modelMethodCounter += 1
            self.modelIDString = "MRBrainTumor" + str(self.modelMethodCounter) + "-label_grow"
211
212
             #define nodes
213
            hie_node = slicer.vtkMRMLModelHierarchyNode()
214
            roi_node = slicer.util.getNode(self.modelIDString)
215
216
217
            #generate model
            scene.AddNode(hie_node)
218
            params = \{\}
219
            params['InputVolume'] = roi_node.GetID()
220
            params['ModelSceneFile'] = hie_node.GetID()
221
            slicer.cli.run(slicer.modules.modelmaker, None, params)
222
223
            mod_node = hie_node.GetModelNode()
224
225
            return
226
        #Add button to test all features of Topic E module
227
228
        Full reference for slicer unit test scripts found here:
229
230
        https://github.com/Slicer/Slicer/blob/master/Modules/Scripted/EditorLib/Testing/
231
232
        full reference for threshold testing found here:
        https://github.com/Slicer/Slicer/blob/master/Modules/Scripted/EditorLib/Testing/ThresholdThreadingTest.py
233
234
235
        Above git has been used in the development of this metho'd
236
237
        def onTest(self) :
             #Import Sample Data
238
239
             import SampleData
            sampleDataLogic = SampleData.SampleDataLogic()
240
            MRBrainTumor1 = sampleDataLogic.downloadMRBrainTumor1()
241
242
             #Define ROI annotation Node
243
             roi = slicer.vtkMRMLAnnotationROINode()
244
            slicer.mrmlScene.AddNode(roi)
245
246
247
             #ENTER COORDINATES FOR ROI SEGMENT HERE
            roi.SetXYZ(-17.5, 26, 31)
248
249
            roi.SetRadiusXYZ(20, 20, 20)
250
251
             #Apply ROI cropping to node
252
            cropLogic = slicer.modules.cropvolume.logic()
```

```
253
            cvpn = slicer.vtkMRMLCropVolumeParametersNode()
254
             cvpn.SetROINodeID( roi.GetID() )
             cvpn.SetInputVolumeNodeID( MRBrainTumor1.GetID() )
255
256
             cropLogic.Apply( cvpn )
            croppedHead = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID( cvpn.GetOutputVolumeNodeID() )
257
258
             #Visualise ROI
259
             logic = slicer.modules.volumerendering.logic()
260
261
             volumeNode = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID('vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode1')
            displayNode = logic.CreateVolumeRenderingDisplayNode()
262
263
             #crop volumeNode for ROINode and visualise
264
             displayNode.CroppingEnabledOn()
265
266
             slicer.mrmlScene.AddNode(displayNode)
            displayNode.UnRegister(logic)
267
268
             logic.UpdateDisplayNodeFromVolumeNode(displayNode, volumeNode)
            volumeNode.AddAndObserveDisplayNodeID(displayNode.GetID())
269
270
271
             #visualise ROI node
            displayNode.SetAndObserveROINodeID(roi.GetID())
272
274
             # create a label map and set it for editing
275
276
            volumesLogic = slicer.modules.volumes.logic()
277
             croppedHeadLabel = volumesLogic.CreateAndAddLabelVolume( slicer.mrmlScene, ...
278
                 croppedHead, croppedHead.GetName() + '-label' )
279
             selectionNode = slicer.app.applicationLogic().GetSelectionNode()
280
             selectionNode.SetReferenceActiveVolumeID( croppedHead.GetID() )
             selectionNode.SetReferenceActiveLabelVolumeID( croppedHeadLabel.GetID() )
281
282
            slicer.app.applicationLogic().PropagateVolumeSelection(0)
283
284
285
             # got to the editor and do some drawing
286
287
             #self.delayDisplay("Paint some things")
288
289
            parameterNode = EditUtil.getParameterNode()
290
            lm = slicer.app.layoutManager()
291
292
            paintEffect = EditorLib.PaintEffectOptions()
            paintEffect.setMRMLDefaults()
293
294
            paintEffect.__del__()
            sliceWidget = lm.sliceWidget('Red')
295
296
            paintTool = EditorLib.PaintEffectTool(sliceWidget)
            EditUtil.setLabel(1)
297
            paintTool.paintAddPoint(1,1)
298
            paintTool.paintApply()
299
            paintTool.cleanup()
300
            paintTool = None
301
302
             #define nodes
303
            growCutLogic = EditorLib.GrowCutEffectLogic(sliceWidget.sliceLogic())
304
            growCutLogic.growCut()
305
306
307
             # now split the volume, merge it back, and see if it looks right
308
309
            preArray = slicer.util.array(croppedHeadLabel.GetName())
310
311
             #print preArray
             slicer.util.selectModule('Editor')
312
313
             slicer.util.findChildren(text='Split Merge Volume')[0].clicked()
            slicer.util.findChildren(text='Merge All')[0].clicked()
314
315
            postArray = slicer.util.array(croppedHeadLabel.GetName())
316
```

```
hie_node = slicer.vtkMRMLModelHierarchyNode()
317
318
            roi_node = slicer.util.getNode('MRBrainTumor1-subvolume-scale_1-label')
            scene = slicer.mrmlScene
319
320
            scene. AddNode (hie node)
321
            params = \{\}
322
            params['InputVolume'] = roi_node.GetID()
323
            params['ModelSceneFile'] = hie_node.GetID()
324
325
            slicer.cli.run(slicer.modules.modelmaker, None, params)
            mod_node = hie_node.GetModelNode()
326
327
            print("Topic E has finished execution!")
328
329
330
        #method for reloading
        def onReload(self, moduleName = "HelloPython"):
331
332
            import imp, sys, os, slicer
333
            widgetName = moduleName + "Widget"
334
335
336
             # reload the source code
            fPath = eval('slicer.modules.%s.path' % moduleName.lower())
337
            p = os.path.dirname(fPath)
338
            if not sys.path.__contains__(p):
339
340
                 sys.path.insert(0,p)
            fp = open(fPath, "r")
341
            globals()[moduleName] = imp.load_module(
342
                     moduleName, fp, fPath, ('.py', 'r', imp.PY_SOURCE))
343
344
            fp.close()
345
            # rebuild the widget
346
            print "the module name to be reloaded,", moduleName
347
             # find the Button with a name 'moduleName Reolad', then find its parent (e.g., a ...
348
                 collasp button) and grand parent (moduleNameWidget)
            parent = slicer.util.findChildren(name = '%s Reload' % moduleName)[0].parent().parent()
349
            for child in parent.children():
350
351
                     child.hide()
352
353
                 except AttributeError:
                    pass
354
             # Remove spacer items
355
356
             item = parent.layout().itemAt(0)
            while item:
357
358
                 parent.layout().removeItem(item)
                 item = parent.layout().itemAt(0)
359
360
             # create new widget inside existing parent
            globals()[widgetName.lower()] = eval('globals()["%s"].%s(parent)' % (moduleName, ...
361
                 widgetName))
362
             globals()[widgetName.lower()].setup()
            return
363
```

Appendix 5 - Grow Cut Algorithm

```
from __main__ import vtk, qt, ctk, slicer
  from vtk.util import numpy_support
3 import numpy as np
5
6
   # ITBRegionGrow
7
  class ITBRegionGrow:
     def __init__(self, parent):
       parent.title = "ITB RegionGrow Segmentation"
10
       parent.categories = ["COMP5424"]
11
       parent.dependencies = []
12
       parent.contributors = [ """
13
       Sidong Liu (USYD)
14
       Siqi Liu (Simense)
15
16
       parent.helpText = """
17
       Example of scripted loadable extension for the ITB Medical Image Segmentation lab.
19
       parent.acknowledgementText = """
20
21
       This python program shows a simple implementation of the 3D region growing algorithm for
       the ITB LabW5.
22
23
       self.parent = parent
^{24}
25
26
27
   # The main widget
28
  class ITBRegionGrowWidget:
29
     def __init__(self, parent = None):
30
       if not parent:
31
         self.parent = slicer.qMRMLWidget()
32
         self.parent.setLayout(qt.QVBoxLayout())
33
         self.parent.setMRMLScene(slicer.mrmlScene)
34
       else:
35
         self.parent = parent
36
       self.layout = self.parent.layout()
38
       if not parent:
         self.setup()
39
40
         self.parent.show()
41
       self.roiCounter = 0
       self.roiID = ""
43
44
45
     # Setup the layout
     def setup(self):
46
47
       # Collapsible button
48
       self.laplaceCollapsibleButton = ctk.ctkCollapsibleButton()
49
       self.laplaceCollapsibleButton.text = "3D Region Grow Inputs"
50
51
       # Layout within the laplace collapsible button
52
       self.segmentationFormLayout = qt.QFormLayout(self.laplaceCollapsibleButton)
53
       self.inputSelector = slicer.qMRMLNodeComboBox()
       self.inputSelector.nodeTypes = ( ("vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode"), "" )
55
       self.inputSelector.addEnabled = True
56
57
       self.inputSelector.removeEnabled = True
       self.inputSelector.setMRMLScene( slicer.mrmlScene )
58
       self.seedingSelector = slicer.qMRMLNodeComboBox()
59
       self.seedingSelector.nodeTypes = ( ("vtkMRMLLabelMapVolumeNode"), "" )
60
       self.seedingSelector.addEnabled = True
61
```

```
62
        self.seedingSelector.removeEnabled = True
        self.seedingSelector.setMRMLScene( slicer.mrmlScene )
64
65
        # Change the parameters
        #selCriteria = updateParameterCollapsibleButtion
66
        updateParameterCollapsibleButtion
                                             = ctk.ctkCollapsibleButton()
67
        updateParameterCollapsibleButtion.text = "Selection Criteria"
68
        self.layout.addWidget(updateParameterCollapsibleButtion)
69
70
        updateParameterFormLayout
                                                = qt.QFormLayout(updateParameterCollapsibleButtion)
71
72
        chooseGlobalFrame, chooseGlobalSlider, chooseGlobalSliderSpinBox = ...
73
            numericInputFrame(self.parent, \
74
                                                                    "Maximum Global Intensity ...
                                                                        Difference: ", \
                                                                    "Determin the global range of ...
75
                                                                        intensity values", \
                                                                    1, 50, 1, 0)
76
77
        updateParameterFormLayout.addWidget(chooseGlobalFrame)
78
        chooseLocalFrame, chooseLocalSlider, chooseLocalSliderSpinBox = ...
            numericInputFrame(self.parent, \
                                                                    "Maximum Local Intensity ...
80
                                                                        Difference:
                                                                    "Determine the local range of ...
81
                                                                        of intensity values", 0, ...
                                                                        50, 1, 0)
        updateParameterFormLayout.addWidget(chooseLocalFrame)
82
83
84
        class state(object):
85
          maxGlobalDiff = 5
86
          maxLocalDiff
87
88
        scopeLocals = locals()
89
90
        def connect(obj, evt, cmd):
91
92
          def callback(*args):
            currentLocals = scopeLocals.copy()
93
            currentLocals.update({'args':args})
94
95
            exec cmd in globals(), currentLocals
            updateGUI()
96
97
          obj.connect(evt, callback)
98
        def updateGUI():
          chooseGlobalSlider.value
                                             = state.maxGlobalDiff
100
101
          chooseGlobalSliderSpinBox.value
                                            = state.maxGlobalDiff
                                             = state.maxLocalDiff
102
          chooseLocalSlider.value
          chooseLocalSliderSpinBox.value
                                             = state.maxLocalDiff
103
104
        connect(chooseGlobalSlider, 'valueChanged(double)', 'state.maxGlobalDiff = args[0]')
105
106
        connect(chooseGlobalSliderSpinBox, 'valueChanged(double)', 'state.maxGlobalDiff = args[0]')
        connect(chooseLocalSlider, 'valueChanged(double)', 'state.maxLocalDiff = args[0]')
107
        connect(chooseLocalSliderSpinBox, 'valueChanged(double)', 'state.maxLocalDiff = args[0]')
108
109
        updateGUI()
110
        self.updateGUI = updateGUI
111
                        = state
112
        self.state
113
        self.layout.addStretch(1)
114
115
116
      # When the apply button is clicked
      def onApply(self):
117
118
119
        # Read in the input volume
```

```
inputVolume = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID('vtkMRMLScalarVolumeNode1')
120
        inputVolumeData = slicer.util.array(inputVolume.GetID())
121
122
        # Read in the seeding ROI
123
        idString = ""
124
        if slicer.util.getNode('vtkMRMLLabelMapVolumeNode1') is None:
125
126
          idString = 'vtkMRMLLabelMapVolumeNode2'
127
            idString = 'vtkMRMLLabelMapVolumeNode1'
128
        seedingROI = slicer.mrmlScene.GetNodeByID(idString)
129
        seedingROIData = slicer.util.array(seedingROI.GetID())
130
131
132
133
        # Copy image node, create a new volume node
        self.roiCounter += 1
134
135
        outputROI_name = "MRBrainTumor" + str(self.roiCounter) + "-label_grow"
                        = slicer.modules.volumes.logic().CloneVolume(slicer.mrmlScene, ...
136
        outputROI
            seedingROI, outputROI_name)
137
        outputROIData
                        = slicer.util.array(outputROI.GetID())
138
        # Get the mean of the seeding ROI
139
        seedingROI_coords = np.where(seedingROIData > 0)
140
141
        seedingROI_values
                            = inputVolumeData[seedingROI_coords]
142
        # # the location of the seeding voxel
143
        sx = seedingROI_coords[0][seedingROI_values.argmax()]
144
        sy = seedingROI_coords[1][seedingROI_values.argmax()]
145
        sz = seedingROI_coords[2][seedingROI_values.argmax()]
146
147
        # The global parameter is used to select the voxels within a range
148
149
        ROI_min = seedingROI_values.min() - self.state.maxGlobalDiff
        ROI_max = seedingROI_values.max() + self.state.maxGlobalDiff
150
151
        # Dimension of the input volume
152
        dx, dy, dz = inputVolumeData.shape
153
154
        iteration = 0
155
156
        # the local searching radius
        radius = 1
157
158
159
        while True:
160
161
            iteration = iteration + 1
            #print 'INFO Current Iteration: ', iteration
162
            # First stop criterion: reach the boundary of the image
164
165
            searching_extend = np.array([iteration+radius-sx, sx+iteration+radius+1-dx, \
166
                                               iteration+radius-sy, sy+iteration+radius+1-dy,
                                               iteration+radius-sz, sz+iteration+radius+1-dz])
167
            if (searching_extend \geq 0).any():
168
                break
169
170
            # Second stop criterion: there is no new voxel with in the global value range
171
            new_voxel_coords = find_new_voxels(sx, sy, sz, iteration)
172
            new_voxel_values
                               = inputVolumeData[new_voxel_coords[:, 0], new_voxel_coords[:, 1], ...
173
                new_voxel_coords[:, 2]]
            glb_voxel_indices = np.where(np.logical_and(new_voxel_values < ROI_max, ...</pre>
174
                new_voxel_values > ROI_min))
175
176
            if not glb_voxel_indices:
                break
177
178
            else:
179
180
                for i in glb_voxel_indices[0]:
181
                    lx, ly, lz
                                    = new_voxel_coords[i, :]
```

```
182
                    patch_boolen
                                         = outputROIData[lx - 1 : lx + 2, ly - 1 : ly + 2, lz - 1 ...
                         : 1z + 2]
183
                    if patch_boolen.sum() > 1:
184
                                        = inputVolumeData[lx, ly, lz]
                        local value
185
                                         = inputVolumeData[lx - 1 : lx + 2, ly - 1 : ly + 2, lz - ...
                        patch_values
186
                             1 : 1z + 2]
                        boolen_values
                                         = patch_values[:] * patch_boolen[:]
187
188
                        existing_values = boolen_values[np.where(boolen_values > 0)]
189
190
                                         = existing_values.min() - self.state.maxLocalDiff
191
                        local_max
                                         = existing_values.max() + self.state.maxLocalDiff
192
193
                         \# Third stop criterion: the voxel value is beyond the range of local ...
                             existing neighbors
194
                         if local_value < local_max and local_value > local_min:
                            outputROIData[lx, ly, lz] = 1
195
196
        197
198
        outputROI.GetImageData().Modified()
199
200
        # make the output volume appear in all the slice views
201
202
        selectionNode = slicer.app.applicationLogic().GetSelectionNode()
        selectionNode.SetReferenceActiveLabelVolumeID(outputROI.GetID())
203
        slicer.app.applicationLogic().PropagateVolumeSelection(0)
204
205
206
      # Supporting Functions
207
208
209
      # Reload the Module
      def onReload(self, moduleName = "ITBRegionGrow"):
210
211
        import imp, sys, os, slicer
        widgetName = moduleName + "Widget"
212
        fPath = eval('slicer.modules.%s.path' % moduleName.lower())
213
214
        p = os.path.dirname(fPath)
215
        if not sys.path.__contains__(p):
216
          sys.path.insert(0,p)
        fp = open(fPath, "r")
217
        globals()[moduleName] = imp.load_module(
218
219
            moduleName, fp, fPath, ('.py', 'r', imp.PY_SOURCE))
        fp.close()
220
221
        print "the module name to be reloaded,", moduleName
        ^{+} find the Button with a name 'moduleName Reolad', then find its parent (e.g., a collasp \dots
222
            button) and grand parent (moduleNameWidget)
        parent = slicer.util.findChildren(name = '%s Reload' % moduleName)[0].parent().parent()
223
        for child in parent.children():
224
225
          try:
            child.hide()
226
          except AttributeError:
227
228
            pass
        item = parent.layout().itemAt(0)
229
230
        while item:
          parent.layout().removeItem(item)
231
232
          item = parent.layout().itemAt(0)
        globals()[widgetName.lower()] = eval('globals()["%s"].%s(parent)' % (moduleName, widgetName))
233
234
        globals()[widgetName.lower()].setup()
235
236
237
    # Numeric parameter input
    def numericInputFrame(parent, label, tooltip, minimum, maximum, step, decimals):
238
239
      inputFrame
                               = qt.QFrame(parent)
      \verb"inputFrame.setLayout" (qt.QHBoxLayout")")
240
241
                              = qt.QLabel(label, inputFrame)
242
      inputLabel.setToolTip(tooltip)
```

```
inputFrame.layout().addWidget(inputLabel)
243
244
      inputSpinBox
                               = qt.QDoubleSpinBox(inputFrame)
      inputSpinBox.setToolTip(tooltip)
245
                             = minimum
= maximum
      inputSpinBox.minimum
246
247
      inputSpinBox.maximum
      inputSpinBox.singleStep = step
248
249
      inputSpinBox.decimals = decimals
      inputFrame.layout().addWidget(inputSpinBox)
250
251
      inputSlider
                              = ctk.ctkDoubleSlider(inputFrame)
                              = minimum
      inputSlider.minimum
252
                            = maximum
      inputSlider.maximum
253
      inputSlider.orientation = 1
254
255
      inputSlider.singleStep = step
256
      inputSlider.setToolTip(tooltip)
      inputFrame.layout().addWidget(inputSlider)
257
      return inputFrame, inputSlider, inputSpinBox
258
259
    # define the cartesian function
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261
    def cartesian(arrays, out = None):
262
        arrays = [np.asarray(x) for x in arrays]
263
        dtype = arrays[0].dtype
        n = np.prod([x.size for x in arrays])
264
265
        if out is None:
            out = np.zeros([n, len(arrays)], dtype = dtype)
266
        m = n / arrays[0].size
267
268
        out[:,0] = np.repeat(arrays[0], m)
        if arrays[1:]:
269
270
            cartesian(arrays[1:], out = out[0:m, 1:])
            for j in xrange(1, arrays[0].size):
271
272
                out [j*m: (j+1)*m, 1:] = out[0:m, 1:]
273
        return out
274
    # find the coordinates of new voxels
275
276
    def find_new_voxels(sx, sy, sz, iteration, out = None):
277
278
        new_voxel_coordinates_yz = cartesian((np.array([sx-iteration, sx+iteration]), \
                                            np.arange(sy-iteration, sy+iteration+1), \
279
280
                                            np.arange(sz-iteration, sz+iteration+1)))
281
        new_voxel_coordinates_xz = cartesian((np.arange(sx-iteration+1, sx+iteration), \
282
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                                            np.array([sy-iteration, sy+iteration]), \setminus
                                            np.arange(sz-iteration, sz+iteration+1)))
284
285
        new_voxel_coordinates_xy = cartesian((np.arange(sx-iteration+1, sx+iteration), \
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                                            np.arange(sy-iteration+1, sy+iteration), \
                                            np.array([sz-iteration, sz+iteration])))
288
289
290
        new_voxel_coordinates = np.concatenate((new_voxel_coordinates_yz, ...
            np.concatenate((new_voxel_coordinates_xz, new_voxel_coordinates_xy))))
        return new_voxel_coordinates
```