Intro to SciPy & Numpy through Image Processing

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Audience?

- Basic Knowledge of Python
 - data types
 - variables, data-structures
 - looping constructs
- Anybody doing "Scientific" Computation
 - Engineering Students, Researchers
 - People using Fortran/C, Matlab/IDL



A Quote

In 1998, . . . I came across Python and its numerical extension (Numeric) while I was looking for ways to analyze large data sets . . . using a high-level language. I quickly fell in love with Python programming which is a remarkable statement to make about a programming language. If I had not seen others with the same view, I might have seriously doubted my sanity.

-Travis Oliphant, Numpy Book

Checklist

Installed?

- python-numpy
- python-scipy
- python-matplotlib
- ipython
- python-imaging or pil

Files

- smoothing.gif
- unequalized.jpg
- lena.png
- image.png



Getting Started

- \$ ipython -pylab
 - Opening an image
 - Showing it

```
a = imread('image.png') imshow(a)
```



Some attributes

- shape
- min, max, sum
- dtype

ipython?

- array.<Tab>
- plot?

Basic Operations

- + * / ** //
- Element-wise operations



Simple Arrays

- Straight forward single dim, multi dim.
- ones, zeros et. al
- arange, linspace with shape



Accessing (& Changing) Elements

- Accessing (& Changing) individual elements
- Accessing (& Changing) Rows
- Accessing (& Changing) Columns
- Accessing in Steps Striding



Chop and Cut Lena!

- a = scipy.lena()
- Select regions
 - Top Left Quarter
 - Face Only
- Resize by dropping pixels
 - Alternate pixels
 - 2 in every 3
- RGB channels in colour images
 - imread
 - imshow



Smoothing Lena

- A mean filter
 - Neighborhoods
 - for loops
 - Array slicing
 - %run -t (timing it)
- A median filter
 - for loops should be easy?
 - Array slicing
- ndimage.median filter



Copies & Views

- Slicing and Striding just reference the same memory
- They produce views of the data, not copies



Obtain Image, Histogram

- imread
- imshow
 - normalizes images by default
- ndimage.histogram
- hist
- cumsum

Useful Plot Commands

- plot
- figure
- xlim, ylim
- savefig

Obtain Normalized Image, Histogram

- Linear
- $A = (A A.min()) \frac{255}{A.max() A.min()}$



Distance

- A crude algorithm
 - A point is farther than K
 - · distance from lower and right neighbor



Sobel, Prewitt

- First order algorithms
- a = [-1, 0, 1], b = [1, 2, 1]; Sobel
- a = [-1, 0, 1], b = [1, 1, 1]; Prewitt

Getting involved

- Documentation
 - ReStructured Text
 - "docstrings"
 - modify docstrings without access to source code
- Bug-fixes http://www.scipy.org/BugReport
- Testing
- Code contributions
 - Scikits http://scikits.appspot.com
- Web design
- Community Participation
 - Active on Mailing list
 - Code sprints/Documentation/Bug-fix Days



References

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- Scipy Reference Guide
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