Image Processing for Physicists Prof. Pierre Thibault pthibault@units.it

Questions addressed

- What is an image? How are images acquired, stored, analysed?
- What mathematical, numerical and physical methods are used to:
 - generate images?
 - denoise images?
 - segment images?
 - classify images?
 - compress images?
 - reconstruct images?
- What is "legit" and what isn't?





Syllabus

- 1. Spatial Domain
- 2. Fourier Domain
- 3. Sampling & Interpolation
- 4. Image Representations
- 5. Characterization Of Detection Systems
- 6. Imaging Systems & Wave Propagation
- 7. Interferometric Imaging And Imaging Of Far-Field Fourier Amplitudes
- 8. Tomography
- 9. Least Squares Optimization
- 10. Constrained Optimization & Maximum Likelihood Optimization

Philosophy

Techniques

Core knowledge of most common mathematical and numerical tools for imaging and microscopy, from a physicists view point.

Coding skills

Opportunity to improve (python) coding proficiency (more *scripting* than *programming*).

Decoding

Learning the terminologies to understand quickly research work that use imaging.

Critical thinking

Lean to identify the proper tools for a specific imaging need, analyse and criticise image processing operations found in the literature.

Admin

- Online only
- Mon Wed 14:00-16:00
- Office hours (online): Wed 9:00-10:00
- Lectures + tutorials
- Weekly exercises (python)
- Final assessment: oral

Example

Package imports

In [57]: import numpy as np
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt
from scipy import ndimage as ndi
from skimage.segmentation import watershed
from skimage.morphology.cohvex_hull import convex_hull_image
from skimage.feature import peak_local_max
from skimage.measure import regionprops
import rasterio

Load image

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In [83]: with rasterio.open('stitched_topo_TS.tiff') as raster:
    img0 = raster.read(1)
    img = img0[::2, ::2] + 0.
    img *= (img>0)
    cimg = img[1400:2600,3400:4600].copy()
    fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(24,24))
    plt.imshow(cimg, cmap='gray', vmin=350, vmax=450)
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Out[83]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7f715e32ecd0>



