Subject: Re: IDLanROI Confusion

Posted by Craig Markwardt on Wed, 04 Apr 2001 21:47:56 GMT

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davidf@dfanning.com (David Fanning) writes:

> Folks,

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> Alright. I admit it. I don't get it. :-(

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- > I want to use the IDLanROI object to calculate
- > the perimeter, centroid, and area of a region of interest.
- > But I'm not sure the values can be trusted. Here is an
- > example.

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> Here are the results. 15% error in the perimeter is pretty large!

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- Calculated Perimeter: 362.61017Expected Perimeter: 314.159
- > Discrepancy in Perimeter (percent): 115.42240%

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- Calculated Area: 7691.5000Expected Area: 7853.98
- > Discrepancy in Area (percent): 97.931216%

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- > Calculated Centroid: 199.50135 200.25225
- > Expected Centroid: 200 200

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- > Am I doing something wrong, or should I believe these numbers?
- > The same exercise with a square region produced accurate numbers.

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- > My expected ROI's are not squares or circles, but they are
- > much closer to circles than squares.

What do you mean, they aren't squares or circles? If it isn't a circle then you won't get a perfect match to the theory, right?

More than likely the region of interest becomes pixelated into square pixels. It's pretty clear to me that this will give a greater perimeter than a true circle since there are more horizontal and vertical segments than are required.

What happens if you make the circle much much bigger? I think then the answers will converge to what you expect.

## Craig

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