
Subject: Re: Function BYTSCL

Posted by [Liam E. Gumley](#) on Tue, 10 Apr 2001 14:44:22 GMT

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Steffen Kernchen wrote:

- > what function(s) can I use instead of BYTSCL?
- > I have an array and I want to transform it to get a better contrast.
- > But I should NOT use BYTSCL.... :(

It sounds like you want to do something other than selecting the minimum and maximum array values for the scaling range used in BYTSCL. How about trying histogram clipping?

(1) Compute a histogram for the image at N (say N=100) intervals between the minimum and maximum array values.

(2) From the low end of the histogram, find the histogram bin where X percent (say X=2) of the total number of array elements (pixels) lie to the *left* of the current bin. The data value for this bin becomes the minimum of the scaling range. Perform a similar search from the high end of the histogram to obtain the maximum of the scaling range.

(3) Now use BYTSCL with the derived scaling range to create a contrast enhanced image.

Other functions that will be useful in this exercise are HISTOGRAM and TOTAL.

Cheers,
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