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Subject: Re: KMean Clustering of RGB Images  
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helaha@gmx.net schrieb:

> Hello Mort,  
> yes, the order should not play any role, but nevertheless the  
> clustering of an RGB image, implemented with the example code above  
> showed a dependency and that's my problem. I can't imagine why the  
> CLUSTER\_WTS Algorithm is sensitive to the sequence order.  
> The clustering results are very stable and I think really identical,  
> if the algorithm is started several times without changing the data  
> sequence. Changing the data sequence leads to a very distinct and yet  
> again very stable clustering result. But why is there this dependency  
> on data sequence?  
>  
> Many thanks,  
> Helmut  
>

Yes, I get the same effect. I had difficulty following your code so I reduced it to essentials (I hope):

```
PRO Cluster_KMean_Image
  ImageName = DIALOG_PICKFILE()
  CD, FILE_DIRNAME(ImageName)
  READ_JPEG, ImageName, RGBImage
  Info = SIZE(RGBImage)
  ImageSizeX = Info[2]
  ImageSizeY = Info[3]
  PixelN = ImageSizeX*ImageSizeY
; optional
;  RGBImage = TRANSPOSE(RGBImage, [0, 2, 1])
  print, CLUST_WTS(REFORM(RGBImage, 3, PixelN), $
    N_CLUSTERS = 2, N_ITERATIONS = 20)
```

END

It just prints out the cluster means. On a small JPEG image they are nicely reproducible. But they should also be the same whether the TRANSPOSE function is called or not. And as you say, they aren't. I hesitate to think that there is a bug in CLUSTER\_WTS, but just now I don't see an alternative explanation.

- Mort

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