
Subject: Re: creating a 2D mask for image filtering
Posted by [David Fanning](#) on Wed, 17 Aug 2011 17:44:58 GMT
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Dave Higgins writes:

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>
> Thanks for the advice, very much appreciated. I followed your general method as follows, but
> actually it's not the filter shape I want:
>
> FUNCTION CIRCLE, xcenter, ycenter, radius
>   points = (2 * !PI / 99.0) * FINDGEN(100)
>   x = xcenter + radius * COS(points )
>   y = ycenter + radius * SIN(points )
>   RETURN, TRANSPOSE([[x],[y]])
>   END
>
> PRO apod_filter
>   image = dist(512)
>   WINDOW, 0, TITLE = 'Test data before filtering'
>   SHADE_SURF, image
>   s = Size(image, /Dimensions)
>   hf = Hanning(s[0], s[1], ALPHA=0.5)
>   maxRadius = Min(s)/2;
>   WINDOW, 1, TITLE = 'temporary window', xsize=s[0], ysize=s[1]
>   ; Use of data coords for "circle" ok since data extent may not be square
>   POLYFILL, CIRCLE(s[0]/2-1, s[1]/2-1, 0.8*maxRadius), color=1
>   circleMask = TVRD()
>   WDELETE, 1
>   indices = Where(circleMask EQ 1)
>   hf[indices] = 1
>   WINDOW, 2, TITLE = 'Filter to be applied'
>   SHADE_SURF, hf
>   WINDOW, 3, TITLE = 'Apodized image'
>   SHADE_SURF, hf*image
>   WDELETE, 0, 3
>   END
>
> This produces a step down at the edge of the circle, to where the Hanning window was before
> the circleMask was applied. But this step-down causes Gibbs ringing in a FT of the data.
> I was aiming for a smooth "S" shaped (or similar) reduction of the filter values from the edge of
> the circle to the edge of the data.
> I was wondering if I applied some sort of smoothing to circleMask, it would blur the edge of the
> circle and achieve the smooth decent at the circle edge:
>
> PRO apod_filter
>   image = dist(512)
>   WINDOW, 0, TITLE = 'Test data before filtering'
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> SHADE_SURF, image
> s = Size(image, /Dimensions)
> maxRadius = Min(s)/2;
> WINDOW, 1, TITLE = 'temporary window', xsize=s[0], ysize=s[1]
> ; Use of data coords for "circle" ok since data extent may not be square
> POLYFILL, CIRCLE(s[0]/2-1, s[1]/2-1, 0.8*maxRadius), color=1
> circleMask = float(TVRD())
> WDELETE, 1
> help, circlemask
> circleMask = SMOOTH(circleMask, 100, /EDGE_TRUNCATE, MISSING=0.0)
> indices = Where(circleMask GT 0.01)
> filter = fltarr(s[0], s[1])
> filter[indices] = circleMask[indices]
> WINDOW, 2, TITLE = 'Filter to be applied'
> SHADE_SURF, filter
> WINDOW, 3, TITLE = 'Apodized image'
> SHADE_SURF, filter*image
> WDELETE, 0, 3
> END
>
> ...but this smoothing eats back into my leave-it-alone circle of data; I'd like to start the descent
to zero at the edge of the originally defined circleMask.
>
> Thanks for any further help.

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Aren't you smoothing the wrong thing? I think you want this:

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PRO apod_filter
  image = dist(512)
  WINDOW, 0, TITLE = 'Test data before filtering'
  SHADE_SURF, image
  s = Size(image, /Dimensions)
  hf = Hanning(s[0], s[1], ALPHA=0.5)
  maxRadius = Min(s)/2;
  WINDOW, 1, TITLE = 'temporary window', xsize=s[0], ysize=s[1]

  POLYFILL, CIRCLE(s[0]/2-1, s[1]/2-1, 0.8*maxRadius), color=1
  circleMask = TVRD()
  WDELETE, 1
  indices = Where(circleMask EQ 1)
  hf[indices] = 1
  WINDOW, 2, TITLE = 'Filter to be applied'
  SHADE_SURF, Smooth(hf, 50, /edge_truncate)
  WDELETE, 0
END

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Also, TVCircle (from the Astronomy Library) will produce a real circle no matter what the aspect ratio of the window.

One of the reasons it's one of my favorite programs. :-)

Cheers,

David

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Sepore ma de ni thui. ("Perhaps thou speakest truth.")
