Subject: Re: Pixel positions passing trough a curve Posted by Helder Marchetto on Tue, 11 Oct 2016 14:55:23 GMT

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On Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 4:30:40 PM UTC+2, miguelfigue...@gmail.com wrote:

> Thank you for your answer but maybe it is not completely what I want (except if I use very simple path)

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> In your program, I have to give the coordinates of the beginning and end of the segments but if my path is complicated (ellipsis or multi-segment path) it seems to be better to make directly the list on ds9.

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> In other words, is it possible to draw a curved line and obtain the pixels passing through this curve ?

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> Miguel

If I understand correctly, your problem can be subdivided in three parts:

- (1) draw a path on an image
- (2) extract from the drawn path cardinal points defining subsegments
- (3) calculate the profile along the segments

I think that the code mentioned solves point (3). However, you need to solve the first two, so:

- (1) Try xroi (http://www.harrisgeospatial.com/docs/XROI.html). You may eventually modify or rewrite the code to satisfy your needs.
- (2) this is a bit tricky because you want enough points, but not too many. I would completely skip this in a first attempt and then check if the result is what you expect. If not, you might have to take care to reduce the number of curve points so that the arc is always 1 pixel.

There is another thing to mention. If you define masks or areas, you may get the boundary of the area using David's Find\_Boundary function (http://www.idlcoyote.com/ip\_tips/boundary.html).

I hope this helps.

Cheers, Helder