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Posted by [Rachel Pepper](#) on Wed, 17 Apr 2002 13:55:58 GMT

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Subject: Re: Image analysis and ring identification
Posted by [Karsten Rodenacker](#) on Fri, 19 Apr 2002 07:14:38 GMT
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Without proposing completely ready written routines. Maybe you do:
1. Contour with path_xy on you (binary) image. You get pathes for the
outer and inner border (there is a flag in path_info)
2. Take the outer border path say xy from one 'ring' and calculate a
normalized contour path, by:

```
nxy=fft_norcur(xy,centr=av,size=sz,perim=p)
```

as far as I remind me in av you will find the centroid coordinates, in
sz the radius and in p the perimeter.

```
FUNCTION sh_dist, xy
  L = sqrt(sh_diff(reform(xy[0, *]))^2 + $
    sh_diff(reform(xy[1, *]))^2)
  return, L
end
FUNCTION fft_norcur, xy, CENTROID=cav, FACTOR=av, SIZE=sz, PERIMETER=p
  dim=(size(xy))[1]
  n=(size(xy))[2]
  d=sh_dist(xy)
  vd=fltarr(dim,n)
  FOR i=0,dim-1 DO vd[i,*]=d
  cav=total(xy*vd,2)/total(vd,2)
  oxy=xy
  oxy[0,*]=reform(xy[0,*])-cav[0]
  oxy[1,*]=reform(xy[1,*])-cav[1]
  p=total(d)
  tt=oxy[0,*]^2+oxy[1,*]^2
  sz=sqrt(total(tt))
  av=total(sqrt(tt)*d)/p
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Regards

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Subject: Re: Image analysis and ring identification

Posted by [Jonathan Joseph](#) on Mon, 22 Apr 2002 18:56:29 GMT

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How large are these rings that you are talking about?

I have some IDL code that will fit an ellipse to a group of points.
It requires at least 6 input points. The center is readily available.

I hesitate to just post it because it's not my own code.
I found the code on the web written in java and took the bits that
were relevant to me and converted them to IDL. It's publicly
available code - but very few comments, no warranty, etc. I
believe the original author's name is Maurizio Pili (see
<http://vision.dai.ed.ac.uk/maurizp/ElliFitDemo/> for a demo)

If it looks useful, I can post my IDL code.

-Jonathan

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