Subject: any suggestion about merging small regions
Posted by Xiaoying Jin on Wed, 08 May 2002 05:25:43 GMT
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To solve this problem, I want to merge regions with small area into the
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Any suggestion about how to implement it in IDL?

Best regards,

Xiaoying Jin

Subject: Re: any suggestion about merging small regions
Posted by Ted Cary on Wed, 08 May 2002 12:14:23 GMT
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How about MORPH_CLOSE?

TC

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news:abacijlgn1@dipsy.missouri.edu...
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Posted by Xiaoying Jin on Wed, 08 May 2002 17:24:03 GMT
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"Ted Cary" <tedcary@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:abb87e$5uo$1@netnews.upenn.edu...
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I tried that, it helps, but not good enough. If I choose the small structure
element, there is still lots of small
regions left. If I choose the large structure element, it will merge some
near large regions together and
affects the shape of the regions.

Regards,

Xiaoying Jin

Subject: Re: any suggestion about merging small regions
Posted by Ted Cary on Thu, 09 May 2002 15:29:33 GMT
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 MORPH_CLOSE did not work for this? Out of curiosity, did you apply it to
your original image or to the bi-level region mask?

You might try to SMOOTH the image, or you can reduce the colors in it. You
mentioned this is an unsigned integer image; that's a lot of gray levels, do
you need them all? If the regions are truly almost uniform in gray level,
reducing the number of grays might get rid of the noise.

TC

Subject: Re: any suggestion about merging small regions
Posted by Ted Cary on Thu, 09 May 2002 16:20:58 GMT
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"Ted Cary" <tedcary@yahoo.com> wrote in message
news:abe81uggg1@netnews.upenn.edu...

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Sorry, I think I should have been recommending MORPH_OPEN instead of
MORPH_CLOSE. Hopefully, you figured it out.

Fanning, keep your coyote on a leash...

TC

Subject: Re: any suggestion about merging small regions
Posted by Ted Cary on Thu, 09 May 2002 18:30:59 GMT
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Never mind. I was more right the first time.

Subject: Re: any suggestion about merging small regions
Posted by David Fanning on Fri, 10 May 2002 03:17:35 GMT

Ted Cary (tedcary@yahoo.com) writes:

> Never mind. I was more right the first time.

These are unmistakable coyote tracks. :-)

Cheers,

David

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