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Advanced Image Analysis

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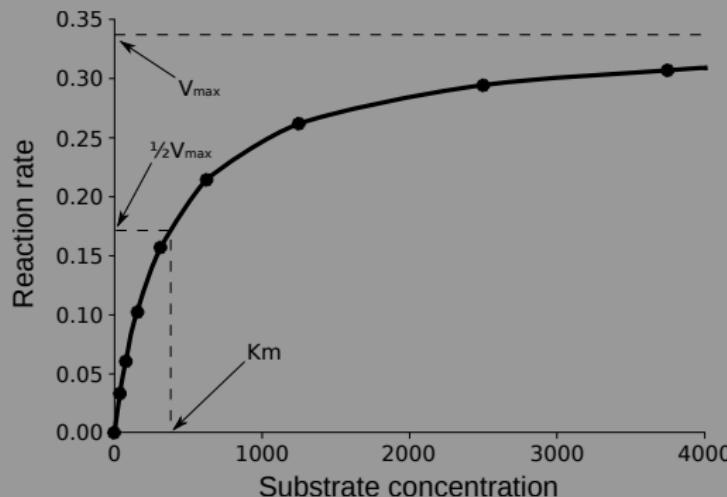
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[0.000 0.175 0.233 0.263 0.280 0.292 0.300 0.306 0.311]

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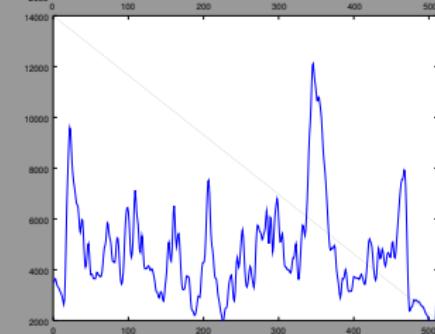
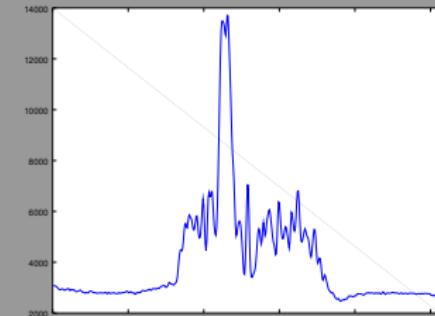
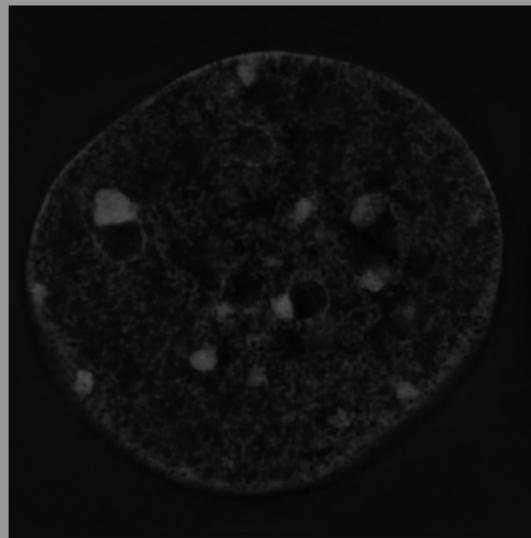
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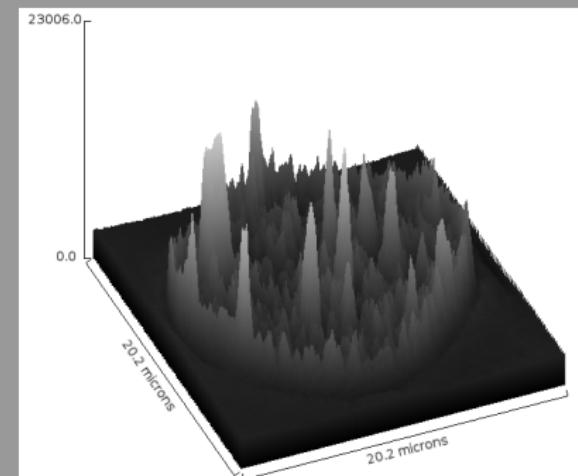
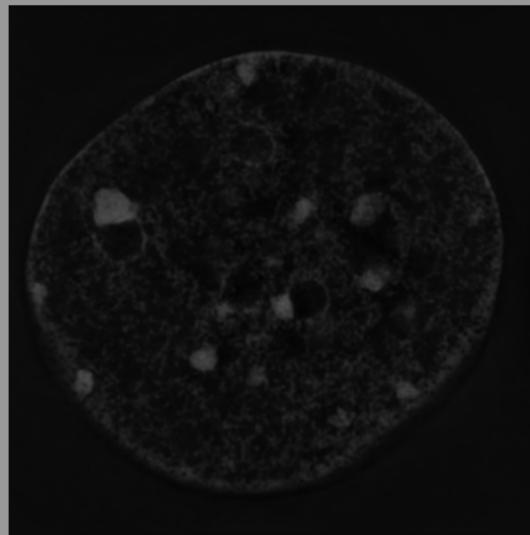
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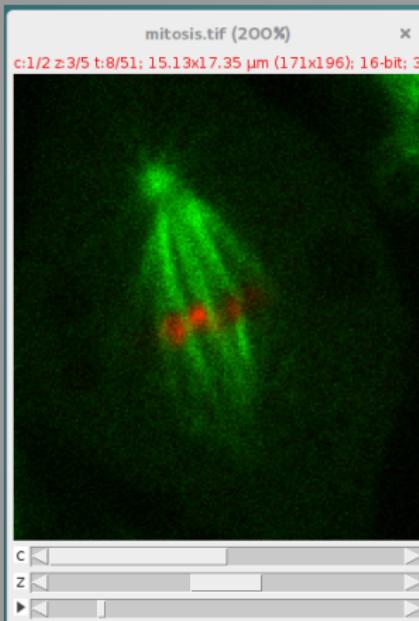
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- x and y
- time
- z (volume)
- wavelength
- phase
- stage angle

Think "data", not "picture"

Bit depth / dynamic range

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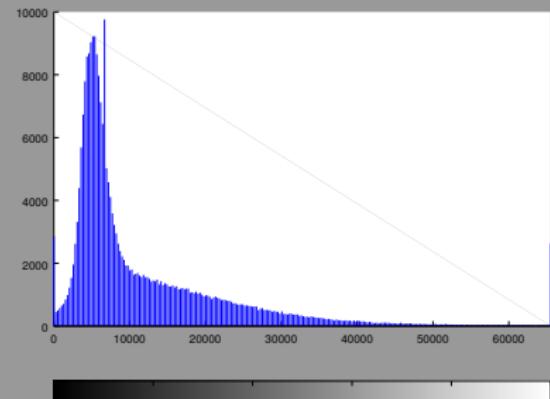
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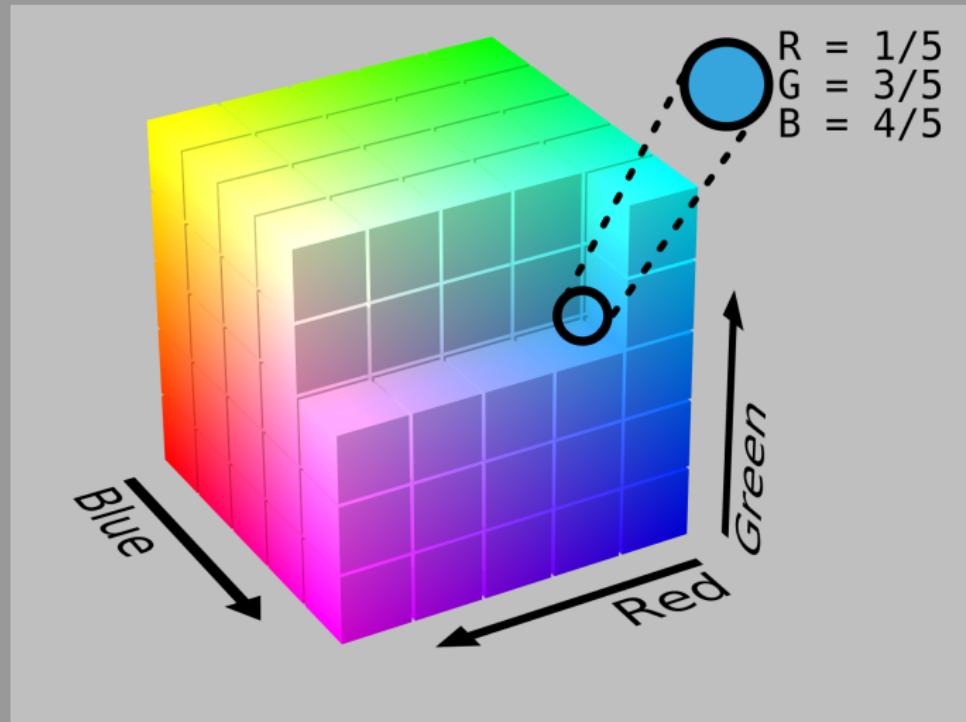
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2	2
$2 * 2$	4
$2 * 2 * 2$	8
...	
2^7	128
2^8	256
2^9	512
2^{10}	1024
2^{11}	2048
...	
2^{15}	32768
2^{16}	65536



More pixels in the same bin,
less dynamic range.

There is actually no limit.

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If you ever get an RGB image, you did something wrong.

Lookup tables or colormaps

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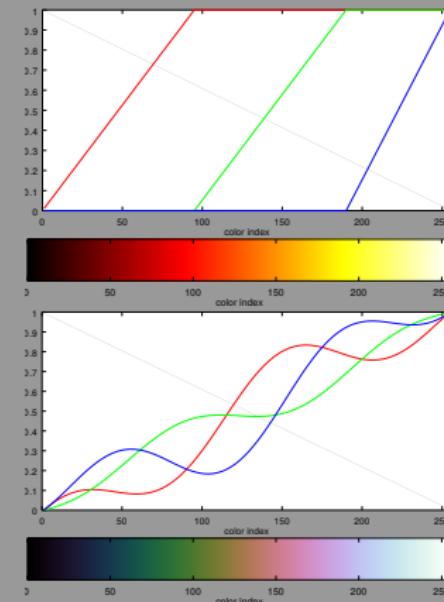
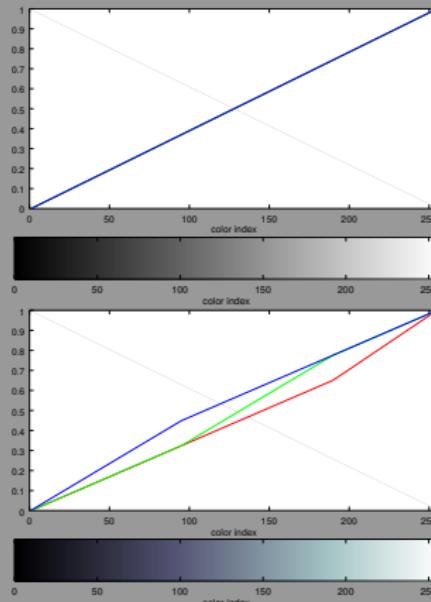
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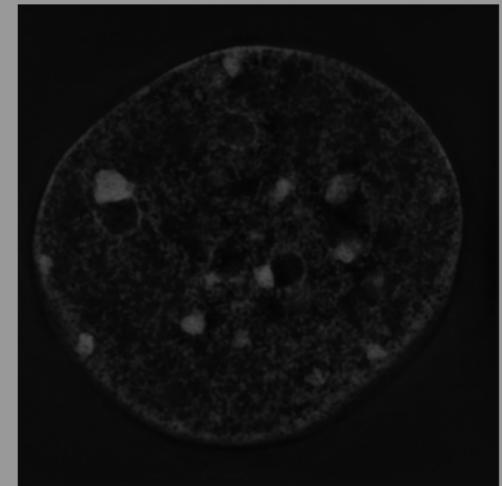
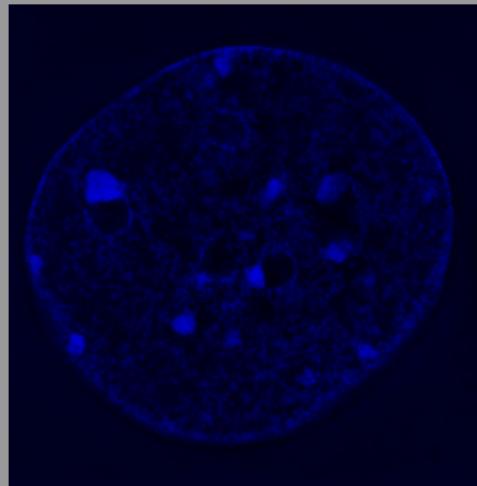
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Concentration

Protein expression, number of complexes.

Co-localization

Do two overlap and correlate?

Dynamics

How fast does it move?

All require identifying a region of interest.

Logical (binary) images

Very useful as masks

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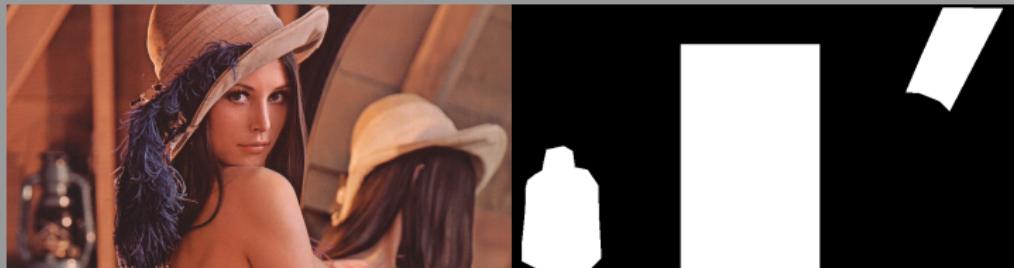
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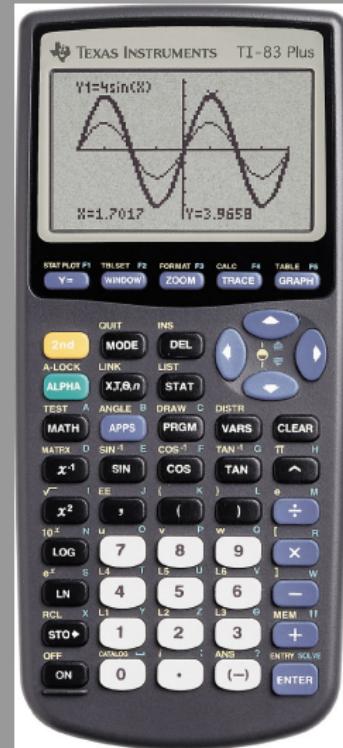
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Python with NumPy

Octave

R

- CellProfiler
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- Omero
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- softWoRx
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- Mathematica
- ...

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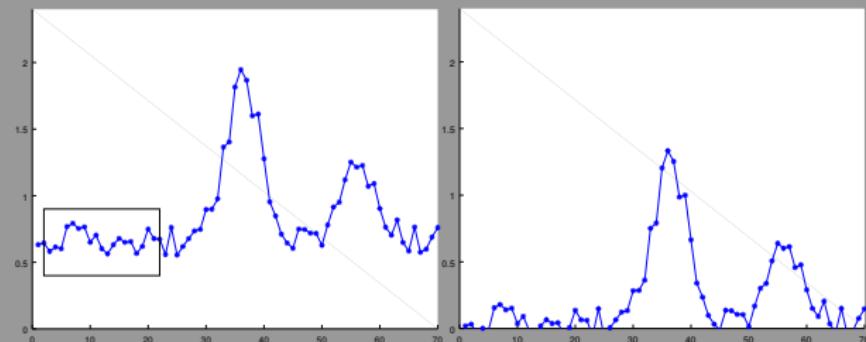
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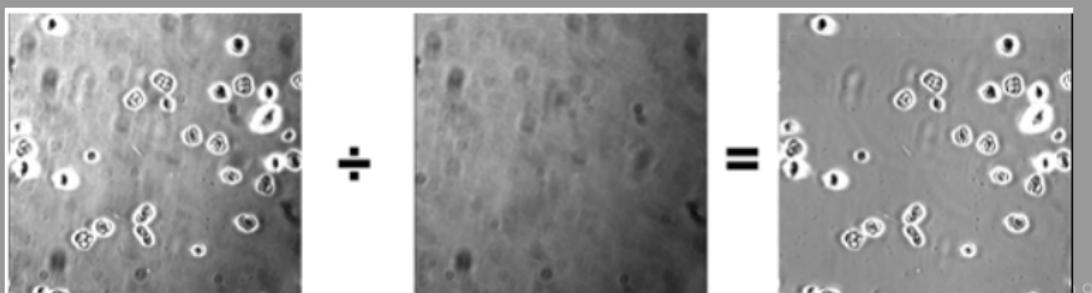
- why so many formats?
- bioformats and ome-tiff
- metadata saved may be format dependent
- use libraries and applications that respect you

Background correction

- Subtract mean of a known background region (darks).
- Many cameras (not-microscopes) do this.



- Correction for uneven illumination (divide by flats)



Local means

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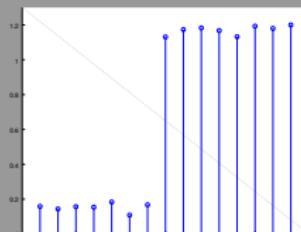
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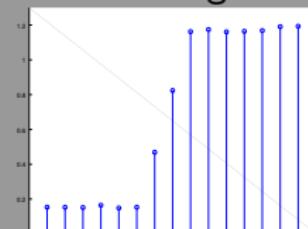
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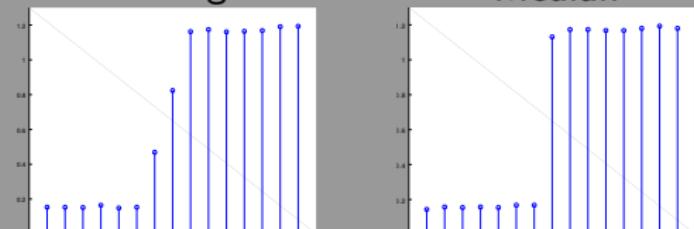
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Average



Median



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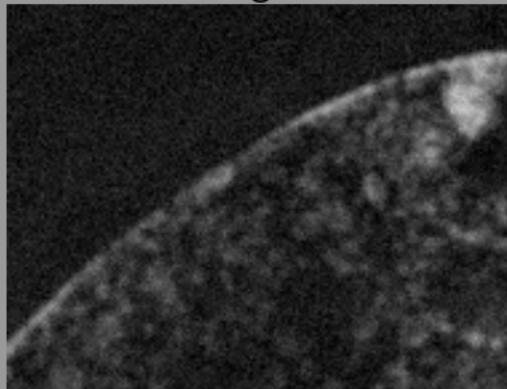
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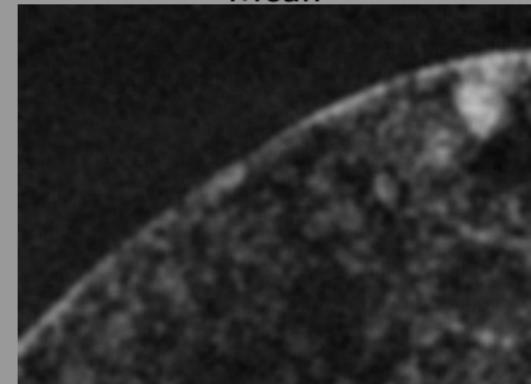
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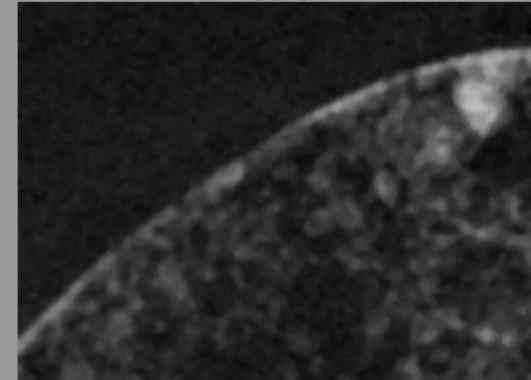
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Mean as convolution kernel

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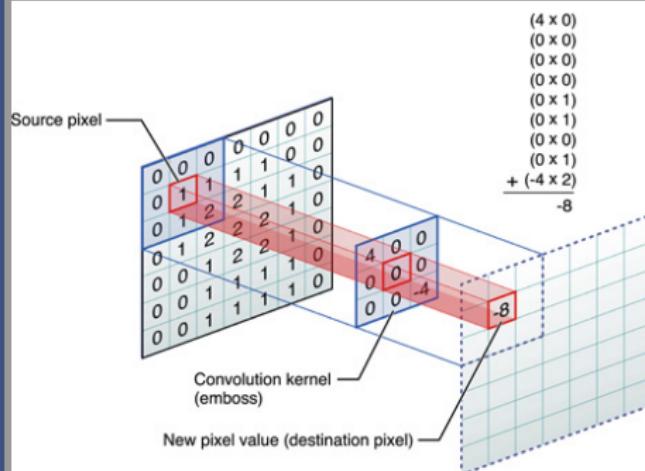
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$$\frac{4+5+6}{3} = 4 \times \frac{1}{3} + 5 \times \frac{1}{3} + 6 \times \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \\ 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \\ 1/9 & 1/9 & 1/9 \end{bmatrix}$$

3x3 mean kernel



$$\begin{bmatrix} 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 \\ 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 \\ 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 \\ 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 \\ 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 & 1/25 \end{bmatrix}$$

5x5 mean kernel

Gaussian filter

as weighted mean

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.011 & 0.014 & 0.017 & 0.018 & 0.017 & 0.014 & 0.011 \\ 0.014 & 0.019 & 0.023 & 0.024 & 0.023 & 0.019 & 0.014 \\ 0.017 & 0.023 & 0.027 & 0.029 & 0.027 & 0.023 & 0.017 \\ 0.018 & 0.024 & 0.029 & 0.030 & 0.029 & 0.024 & 0.018 \\ 0.017 & 0.023 & 0.027 & 0.029 & 0.027 & 0.023 & 0.017 \\ 0.014 & 0.019 & 0.023 & 0.024 & 0.023 & 0.019 & 0.014 \\ 0.011 & 0.014 & 0.017 & 0.018 & 0.017 & 0.014 & 0.011 \end{bmatrix}$$

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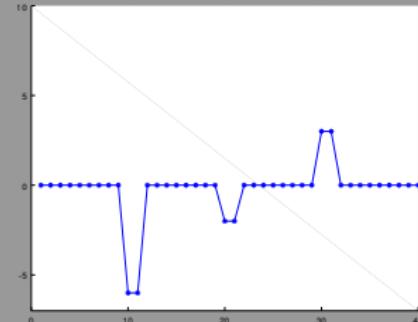
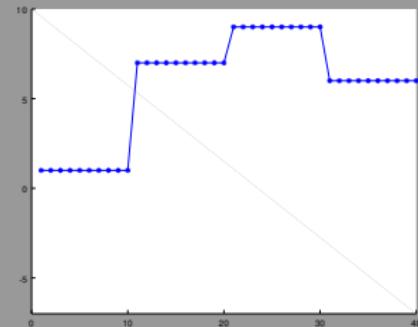
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1D filter

$$[-1 \quad 0 \quad +1]$$



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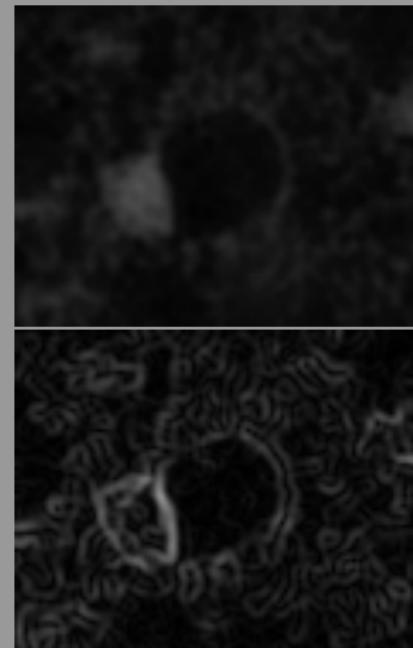
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2D filter(s)

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & +1 \\ -2 & 0 & +2 \\ -1 & 0 & +1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} -1 & -2 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & +2 & +1 \end{bmatrix}$$



Non-local means

patch based denoise

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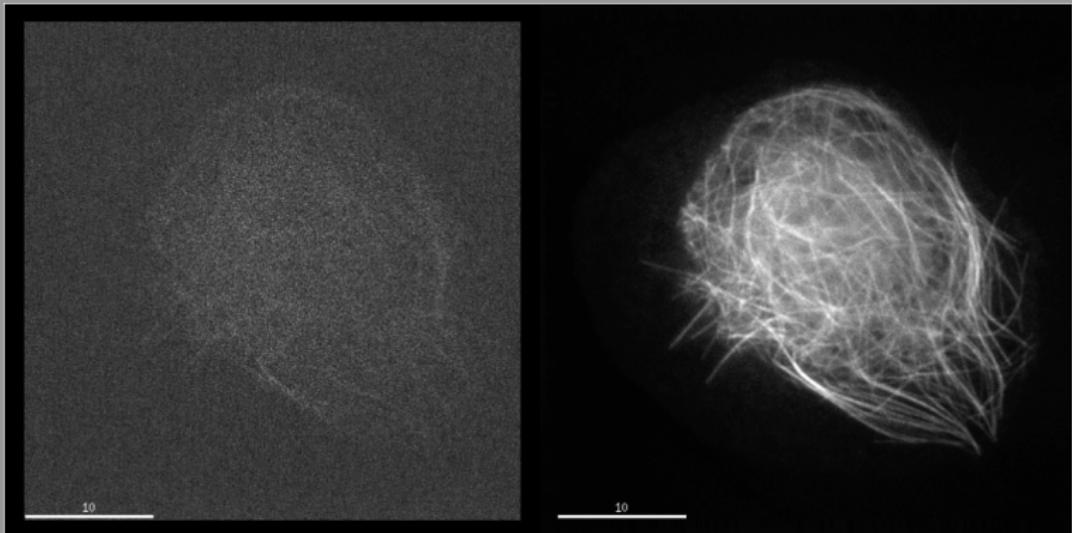
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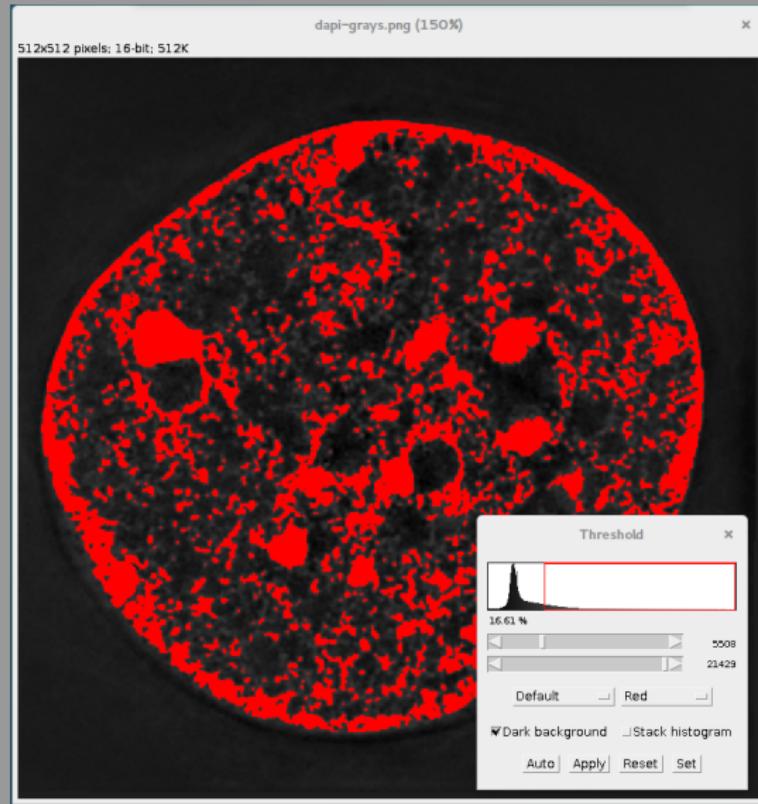
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Manual threshold



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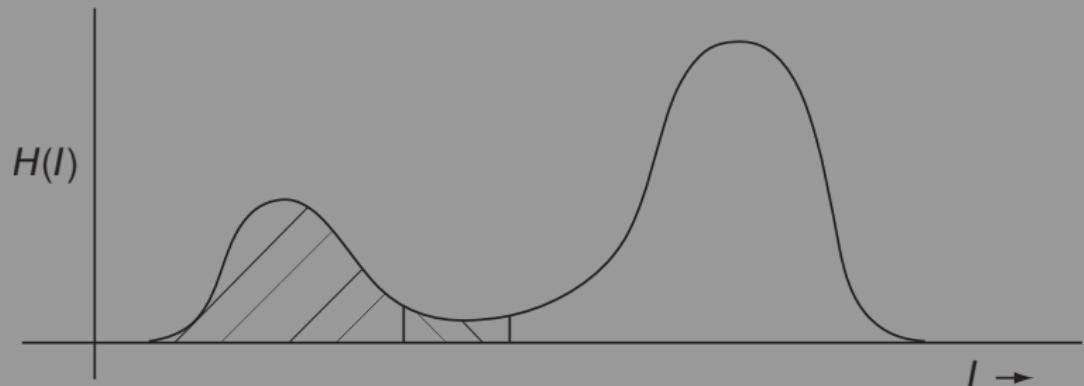
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- bimodal histogram
- reduce intra-class variance (spread)

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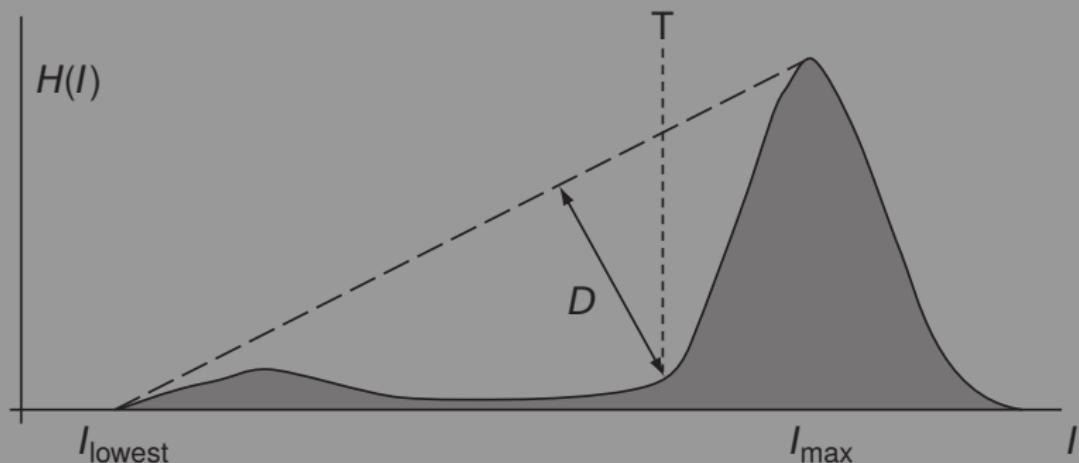
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- histogram smoothing (mean filter)

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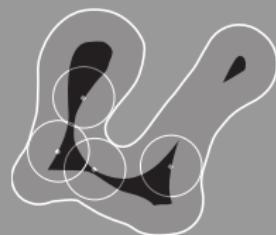
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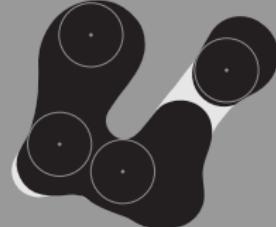
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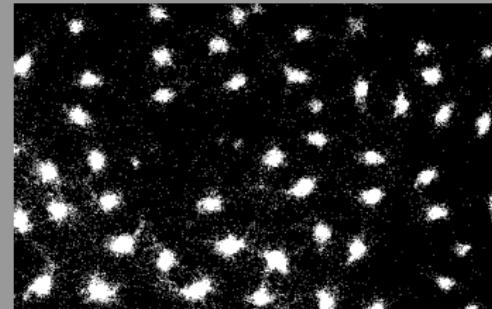
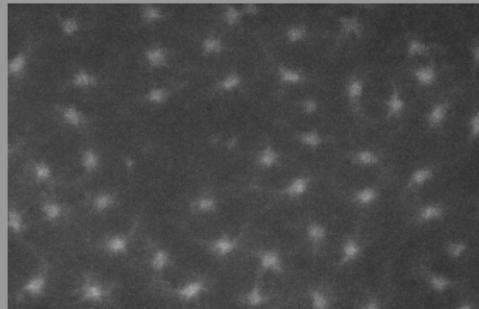
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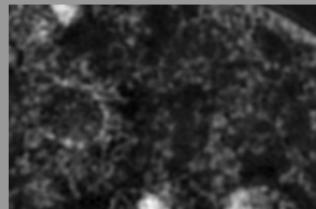
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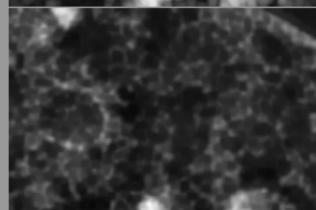
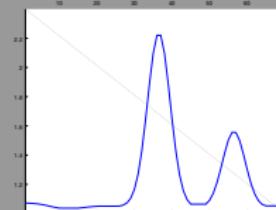
Bottom hat



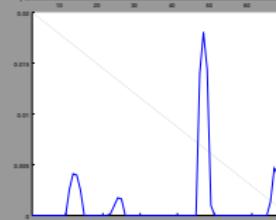
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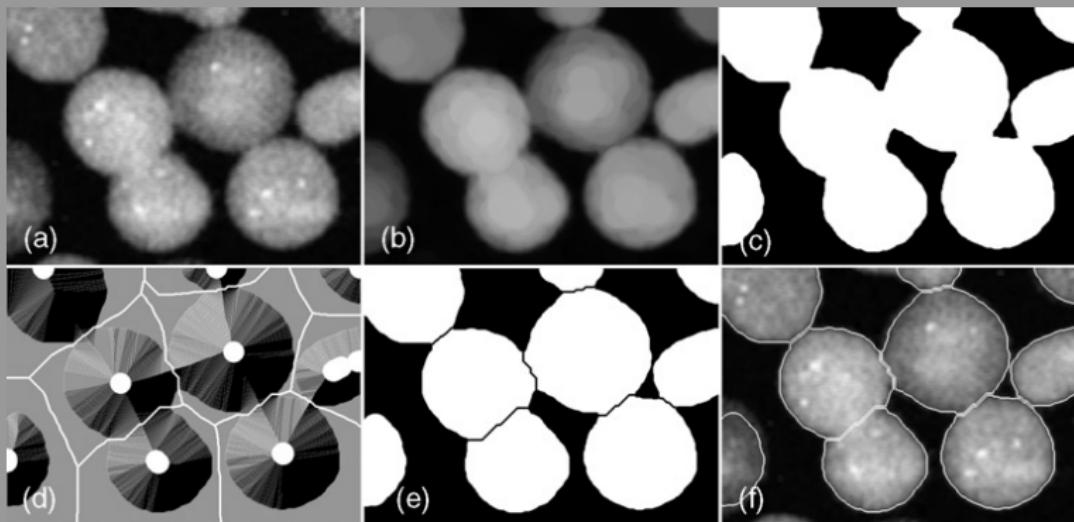
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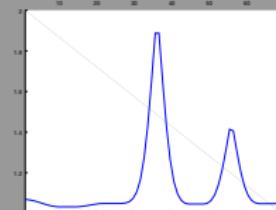
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Gradient
(dilate - erode)

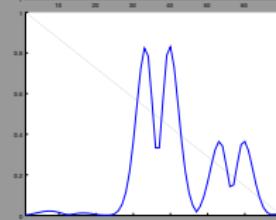
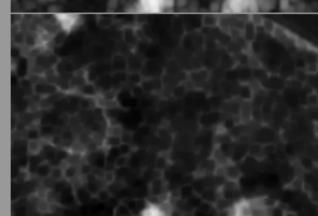
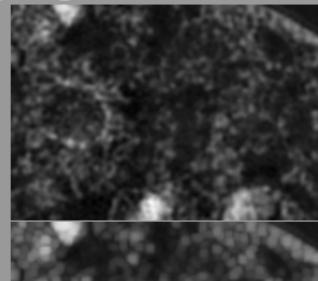


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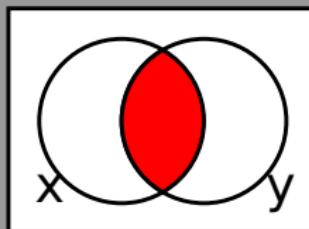
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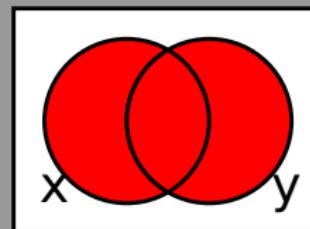
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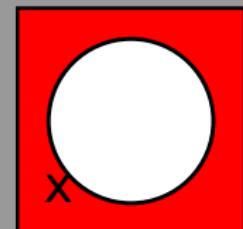
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$x \text{ AND } y$



$x \text{ OR } y$



$\text{NOT } x$

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Particle/Region/ROI properties/measurements

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These are always one button or one line of code. The only problem is getting to this point.

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- integrated density
- min and max
- perimeter

geometric transformation

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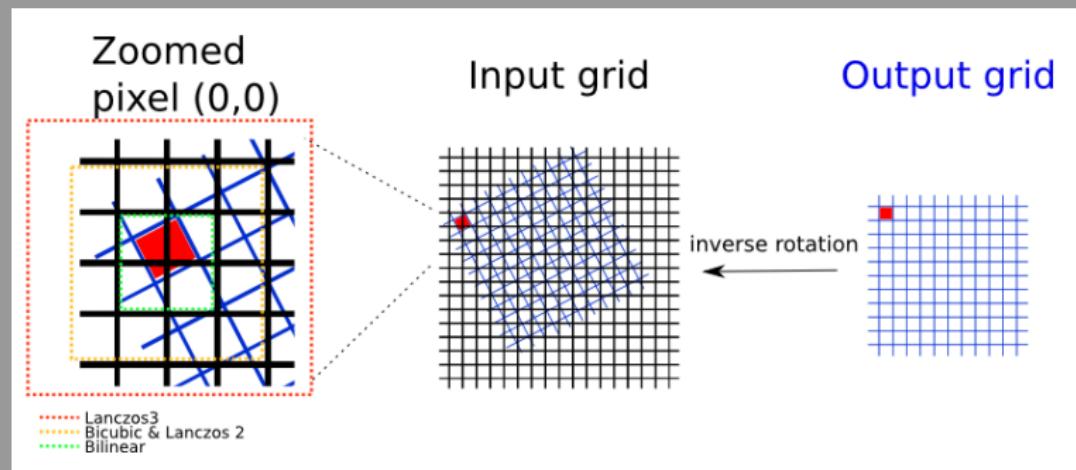
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What happens when you:

- rotate
- align
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- stretch



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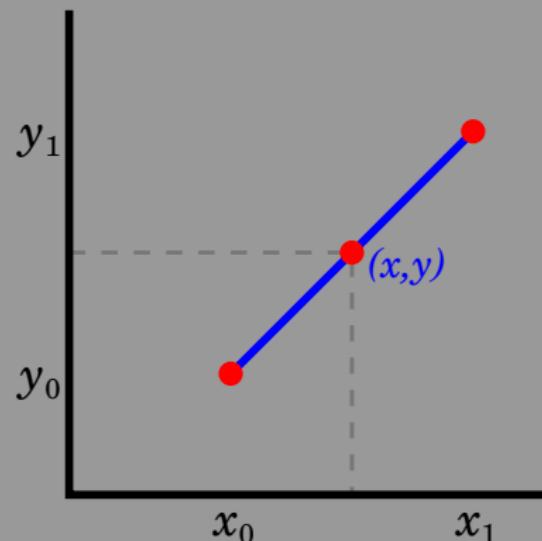
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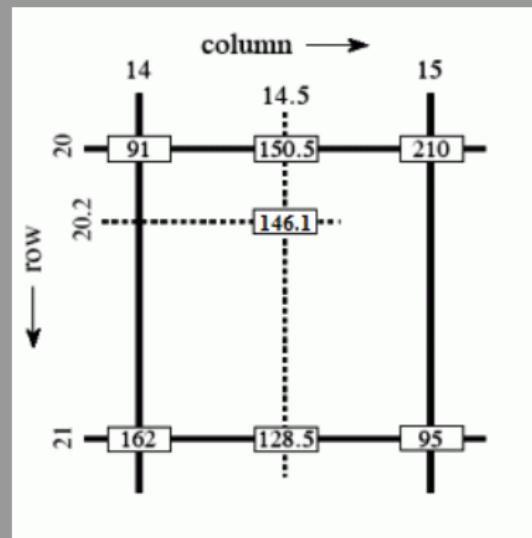
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Object properties

Interpolation

Summary

Limitations such as:

- only black and white;
- only 8 bit;
- only 2D images;
- only 3D images;

are limitations of the implementation.

Summary

Basics

Images as Arrays

Bitdepth

Color

Logical images

Tools

Filters

Explained

Convolution

Fancier filters

Segmentation

Threshold

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Summary

- Images are just N dimensional array of numbers
- Mathematical operations can be extended to images
- Thresholding to create masks
- Filters for processing image
- Morphology to identify shapes