

NAME

plambda – evaluate an expression with images as variables

SYNOPSIS

plambda *img1.png img2.png img3.png ... "EXPRESSION"*
plambda *-c num1 num2 num3 ... "EXPRESSION"*

DESCRIPTION

Plambda evaluates an expression with images as variables.

The resulting image is printed to standard output. The expression should be written in reverse polish notation using common operators and functions from 'math.h'. The variables appearing on the expression are assigned to each input image in alphabetical order.

EXPRESSIONS:

A "plambda" expression is a sequence of tokens. Tokens may be constants, variables, or operators. Constants and variables get their value computed and pushed to the stack. Operators pop values from the stack, apply a function to them, and push back the results.

CONSTANTS: numeric constants written in scientific notation, and "pi"

OPERATORS: +, -, *, ^, /, <, >, ==, and all the functions from math.h

LOGIC OPS: if, and, or, not

VARIABLES: anything not recognized as a constant or operator. There must be as many variables as input images, and they are assigned to images in alphabetical order. If there are no variables, the input images are pushed to the stack.

All operators (unary, binary and ternary) are vectorizable. Thus, you can add a scalar to a vector, divide two vectors of the same size, and so on. The semantics of each operation follows the principle of least surprise.

Some "sugar" is added to the language:

Predefined variables (always preceded by a colon):

:i horizontal coordinate of the pixel
:j vertical coordinate of the pixel
:w width of the image
:h height of the image
:n number of pixels in the image
:x relative horizontal coordinate of the pixel
:y relative vertical coordinate of the pixel
:r relative distance to the center of the image
:t relative angle from the center of the image
:I horizontal coordinate of the pixel (centered)
:J vertical coordinate of the pixel (centered)
:W width of the image divided by 2*pi
:H height of the image divided by 2*pi

Variable modifiers acting on regular variables:

x value of pixel (i,j)
x(0,0) value of pixel (i,j)
x(1,0) value of pixel (i+1,j)

x(0,-1) value of pixel (i,j-1)
 x[0] value of first component of pixel (i,j)
 x[1] value of second component of pixel (i,j)
 x(1,2)[3]
 value of fourth component of pixel (i+1,j+2)

Stack operators (allow direct manipulation of the stack):

del remove the value at the top of the stack (ATTOS)
 dup duplicate the value ATTTOS
 rot swap the two values ATTTOS
 split split the vector ATTTOS into scalar components
 join join the components of two vectors ATTTOS
 join3 join the components of three vectors ATTTOS
 njoin join the components of n vectors
 halve split an even-sized vector ATTTOS into two equal-sized parts

Magic variable modifiers (global data associated to each input image):

x%i value of the smallest sample of image x
 x%a value of the `_largest_` sample
 x%v average sample value
 x%m median sample value
 x%s sum of all samples
 x%I value of the smallest pixel (in euclidean norm)
 x%A value of the largest pixel
 x%V average pixel value
 x%S sum of all pixels
 x%Y component-wise minimum of all pixels
 x%E component-wise maximum of all pixels
 x%qn nth sample percentile
 x%On component-wise nth percentile
 x%Wn component-wise nth millionth part
 x%On component-wise nth order statistic
 x%9n component-wise nth order statistic (from the right)

Random numbers:

randu push a random number with distribution Uniform(0,1)
 randn push a random number with distribution Normal(0,1)
 randc push a random number with distribution Cauchy(0,1)
 randl push a random number with distribution Laplace(0,1)
 rande push a random number with distribution Exponential(1)
 randp push a random number with distribution Pareto(1)
 rand push a random integer returned from rand(3)

Vectorial operations (acting over vectors of a certain length):

topolar convert a 2–vector from cartesian to polar
 frompolar
 convert a 2–vector from polar to cartesian
 hsv2rgb
 convert a 3–vector from HSV to RGB
 rgb2hsv
 convert a 3–vector from RGB to HSV
 cprod multiply two 2–vectrs as complex numbers
 mprod multiply two 2–vectrs as matrices (4–vector = 2x2 matrix, etc)
 vprod vector product of two 3–vectors
 sprod scalar product of two n–vectors
 mdet determinant of a n–matrix (a n*n–vector)
 mtrans transpose of a matrix
 mtrace trace of a matrix
 minv inverse of a matrix

Registers (numbered from 1 to 9):

>7 copy to register 7
 <3 copy from register 3

OPTIONS

-c act as a symbolic calculator
 -h display short help message
 --help display longer help message

EXAMPLES

plambda a.tiff b.tiff "x y +" > sum.tiff
 Compute the sum of two images.
 plambda -c "1 atan 4 *"
 Print pi
 plambda -c "355 113 /"
 Print an approximation of pi

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