

ADAMS

Advanced **D**ata mining **A**nd **M**achine learning **S**ystem

Module: adams-imaging-imagej



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Chapter 1

ImageJ

ImageJ is a public domain software suite written in Java (using AWT, opposed to Swing which ADAMS uses) for image processing, developed at National Institutes of Health ([2]).

1.1 Flow

The following ImageJ actors available:

- `transformer.ImageJReader` – for reading any image file that JAI supports¹ and forwarding an `ImagePlusContainer` object.
- `transformer.ImageJTransformer` – performs a transformation using an existing ImageJ transformer class on the incoming image and outputs another image again. ImageJ plugin filters, commands and pre-recorded macros can be used to perform transformations.
- `transformer.ImageJFeatureGenerator` – turns an `ImagePlusContainer` into an `weka.core.Instance` object to be used in WEKA. The attached meta-data in form of a report can be added to the output object as well.
- `transformer.ImageJReleaseAllImages` – removes all images currently listed in ImageJ's batch mode list, freeing up memory.
- `sink.ImageJReleaseImage` – removes the incoming image from ImageJ's batch mode list of images, freeing up memory.
- `sink.ImageJWriter` – for writing an `ImagePlusContainer` to a file format that ImageJ supports. If the image type cannot be determined based on the extension, you can also specify which type to generate.

Figure 1.1 shows a flow² for reading images, turning them into greyscale using a transformer and displaying them side-by-side. Figures 1.2 and 1.3 show original and greyscale image.

¹http://imagejdocu.tudor.lu/doku.php?id=faq:general:which_file_formats_are_supported_by_imagej

²`adams-imaging-transform.to-greyscale.flow`

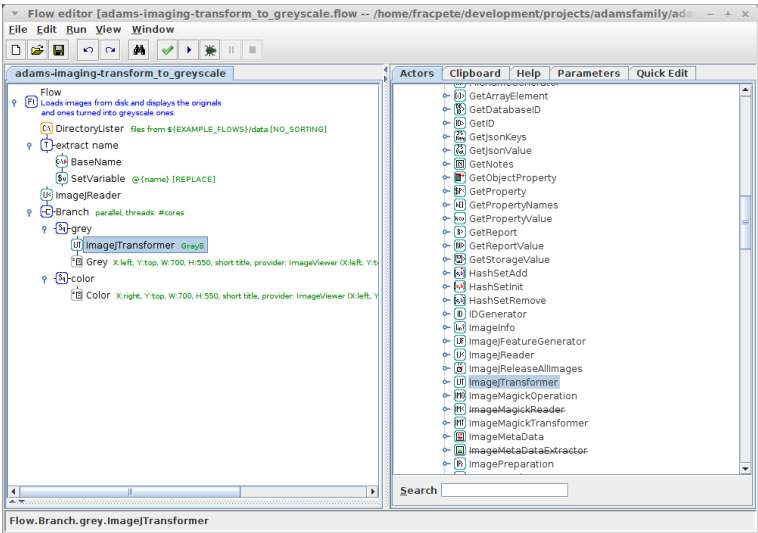


Figure 1.1: ImageJ flow for turning images stored in a directory into greyscale ones.

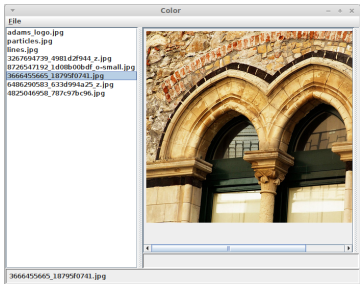


Figure 1.2: The original image.

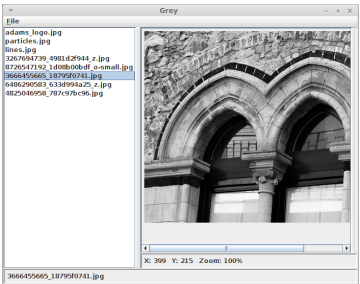


Figure 1.3: The greyscale image.

1.2 Plugins

By default, ADAMS includes plugins located in the following directory on Linux/Unix/Mac:

```
$HOME/.adams/imagej/plugins
```

and on Windows here:

```
%USERPROFILE%/_adams/imagej/plugins
```

You can override this directory by using the `ADAMS_IMAGEJ_DIR` environment variable, which defines the directory one level above the *plugins* directory. For instance, if your plugins directory is located at:

```
/home/user/imagej/plugins
```

You have to define the `ADAMS_IMAGEJ_DIR` environment variable as follows:

```
ADAMS_IMAGEJ_DIR=/home/user/imagej
```


Chapter 2

Feature output

Of course, the data can be turned into a format that is suitable for machine learning applications like WEKA ([?]). For JAI and ImageMagick transformers, both generating *BufferedImageContainer* tokens, the *BufferedImageFeatureGenerator* can be used to generate such output. For ImageJ generated tokens, outputting *ImagePlusContainer* tokens, you have to use the *ImageJFeatureGenerator* instead. What kind of output is generated, depends on the *feature converter* defined in those feature generator transformers. By default, spreadsheet data is generated, which can be stored in CSV files. Figure 2.1 shows a flow¹ that generates a CSV file from images using ImageJ. The resulting dataset, as displayed in the spreadsheet viewer, is shown in Figure 2.2.

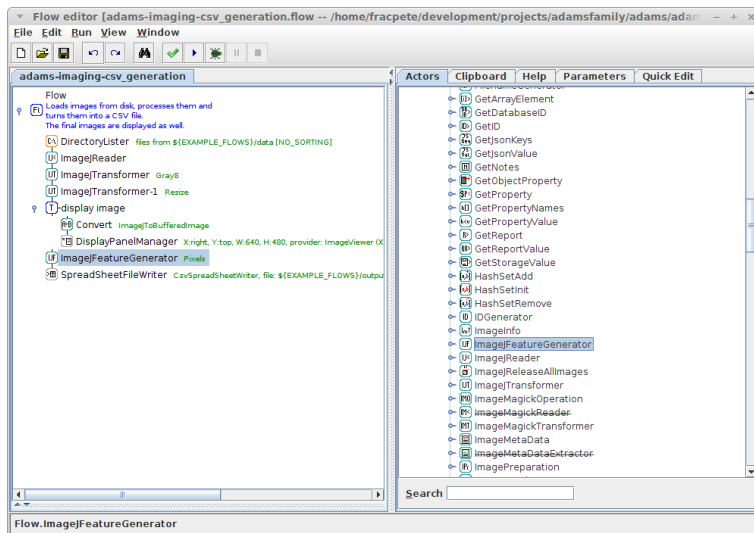


Figure 2.1: Generating a CSV file using ImageJ.

¹adams-imaging-csv_generation.flow

Row	att_1	att_2	att_3	att_4	att_5	att_6	att_7	att_8	att_9	att_10	att_11	att_12	att_13	att_14	att_15	att_16	a
1	A / 1	B / 2	C / 3	D / 4	E / 5	F / 6	G / 7	H / 8	I / 9	J / 10	K / 11	L / 12	M / 13	N / 14	O / 15	P / 16	a
2	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3	-3
4	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1
5	93	94	94	95	95	97	98	99	99	101	102	103	103	104	105	107	
6	66	71	75	79	33	17	78	82	79	60	80	81	77	73	70	10	
7	-96	-93	-71	88	-121	-96	-91	-95	-117	-124	-61	120	-84	110	-64	-117	
8	67	20	10	17	13	26	33	47	58	53	-72	-53	-69	-51	-49	-70	
9	3	4	3	4	3	3	3	4	3	3	4	4	6	6	7	6	

Figure 2.2: The ImageJ generated CSV file.

Chapter 3

Object conversion

The following conversions are available to convert from one format into another:

- *ImageJToBufferedImage* – converting from ImageJ to JAI/ImageMagick.

Bibliography

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- [2] *ImageJ* – Image Processing and Analysis in Java
<http://rsbweb.nih.gov/ij/>