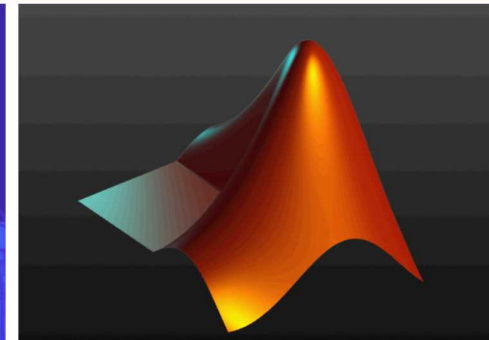
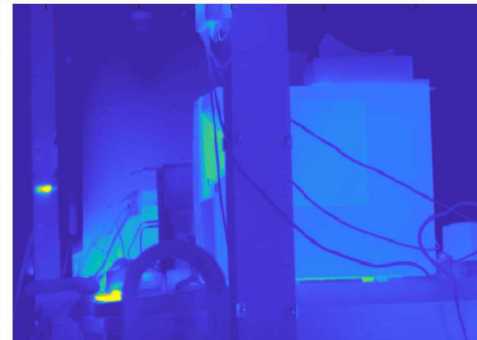




```
%% While global variable y is true, run loop to capture frames
while go == 1
    go = getGlobaly;
    start(video_input);
    trigger(video_input);
    % While loop to handle dropped frames
    while get(video_input, 'FramesAvailable') < 1
        Frames = get(video_input, 'FramesAvailable');
    end
    % Get
    image_array_raw=double(getdata(video_input, 1, 'uint16'));
```



MATLAB® Infrared Camera Integration

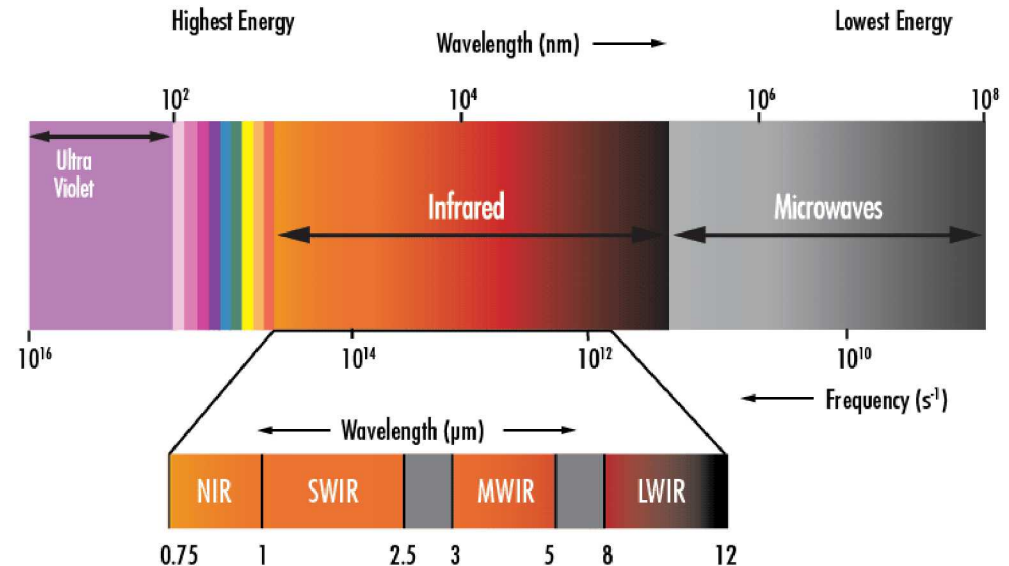
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Background

- Infrared Radiation (IR) is a form of electromagnetic radiation at wavelengths larger than that of visible light.
- Mid-Wavelength IR (MWIR) has a wavelength range of $3\mu\text{m}$ to $5\mu\text{m}$.
- IR cameras are sensors capable of detecting IR and creating images based on the detections. These IR cameras are valuable to many different industries as well as a wide variety of research and development.



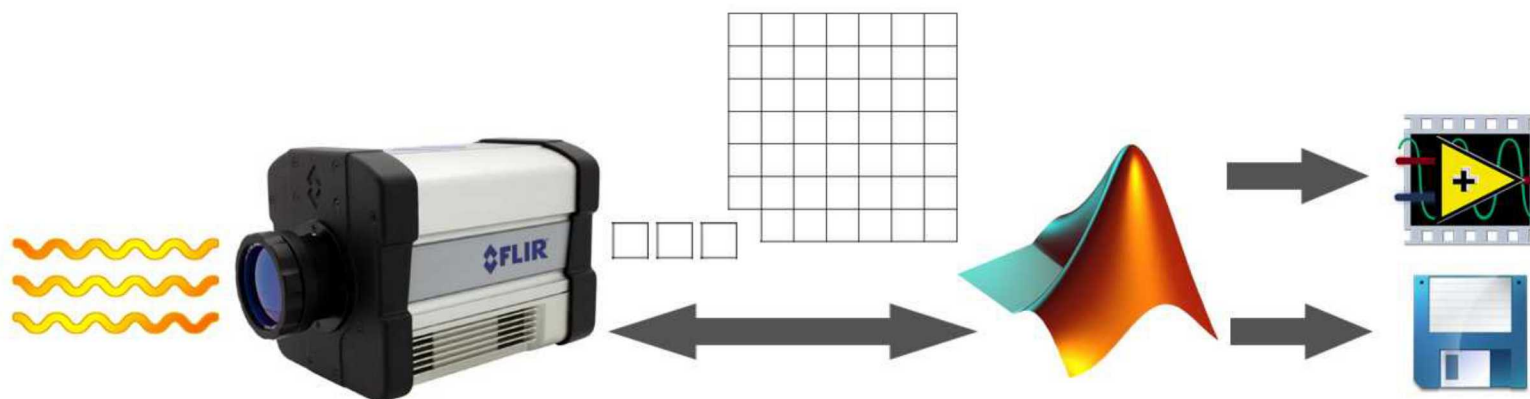
FLIR[®] Research IR Camera

- Fastest commercial infrared camera in the world.
- Operates in the MWIR (3 μ m- 5 μ m) spectrum.
- 200 Megapixels per second for 565 FPS @ 640x512 pixels.
- Gigabit Ethernet (GigE) digital video output.
- Camera has proprietary FLIR[®] software but no integration with MATLAB[®] or LabVIEW[®] Integrated Development Environments (IDEs). Proprietary software does not save in desired output of comma delimited spreadsheet (*.CSV).



Project Goals

- Communicate with a FLIR® MWIR camera via a MATLAB® script.
- Create a MATLAB® Graphic User Interface (GUI) for camera control.
- Save IR image and pixel intensity array to local drive.
- Integrate MATLAB® script with LabVIEW® virtual instrument.



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IDE Requirements

MATLAB® IDE Version

R2018a

MATLAB® Addons



Image Acquisition Toolbox Support Package for GigE Vision Hardware version 18.1.0



Image Acquisition Toolbox Support Package for GenICam Interface version 18.1.0



Image Acquisition Toolbox version 5.4

LabVIEW® IDE Version

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LabVIEW™ 2015

MATLAB® Camera Communication

The MATLAB script establishes communication with the camera via functions that are included in the Gige, GenIcam, and Image acquisition addons.

The MATLAB script must also specify how the camera will operate. This includes determining if the camera is manually triggered or continuous, the packet size, packet delay, and video timeout.

```
%% INITIALIZE
% Close all previous figures
close all
% Clear command window
clc
% Reset Image Acquisition
imaqreset;
% Create variable to store camera located on Gigabit Ethernet "gige"
video_input = videoinput('gige');
% Set frame trigger to manual trigger
triggerconfig(video_input, 'manual');
% Set image acquisition source to stored gige camera
source = video_input.Source;
% Set video packet size
source.PacketSize = 1500;
% Set # of frames per manual trigger
video_input.FramesPerTrigger = 1;
% Set packet delay
source.PacketDelay = 630;
% Set timeout for frame grab
video_input.Timeout = 10;
% Create run variable
```

Figure Modifications

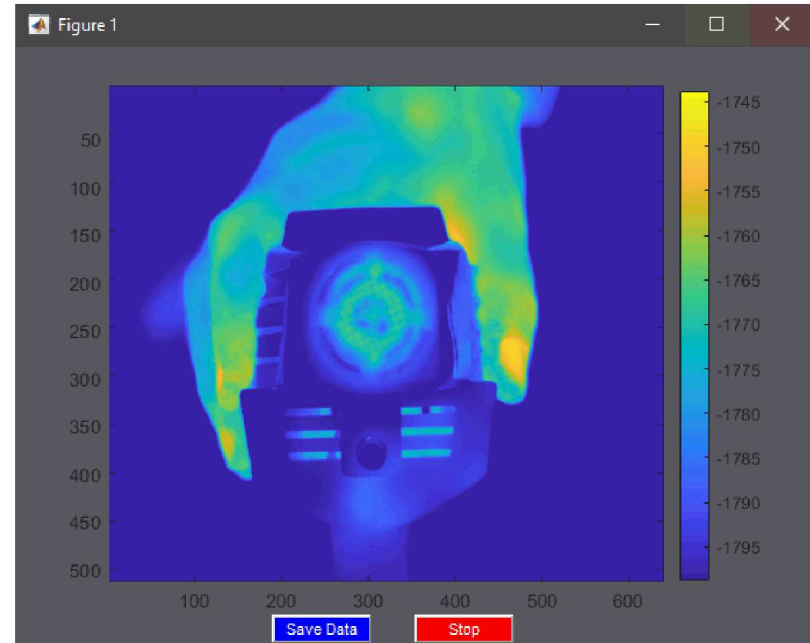
The menu bar was removed to create a simpler look. The background color was changed to a darker color to lessen the harsh contrast from the IR image.

Save Data Button

A save data button was added to allow the user to save the desired outputs. The text, color, and position were customized. When clicked, the save button calls a separate function to perform the save.

Stop Button

A stop button was added to allow the user to save the desired outputs. The text, color, and position were customized. When clicked, the stop button calls a separate function to end the script.

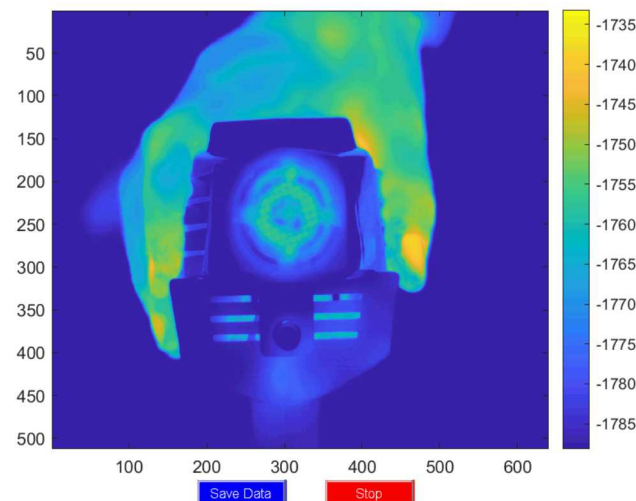


Color Bar

A color bar was added to the figure to show how each color represents the corresponding value in the image array. (Note: the value does not represent a temperature).

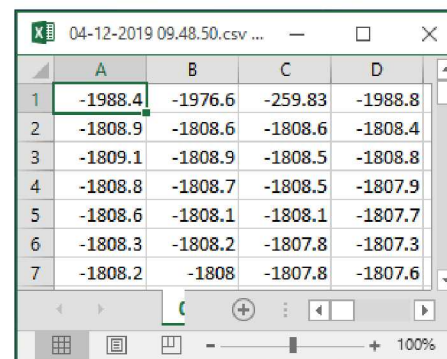
Image Save

The MATLAB Script allows the user to save an image of the figure as a Portable Network Graphic (PNG) using the `saveas()` function and a timestamp naming convention.



CSV Save

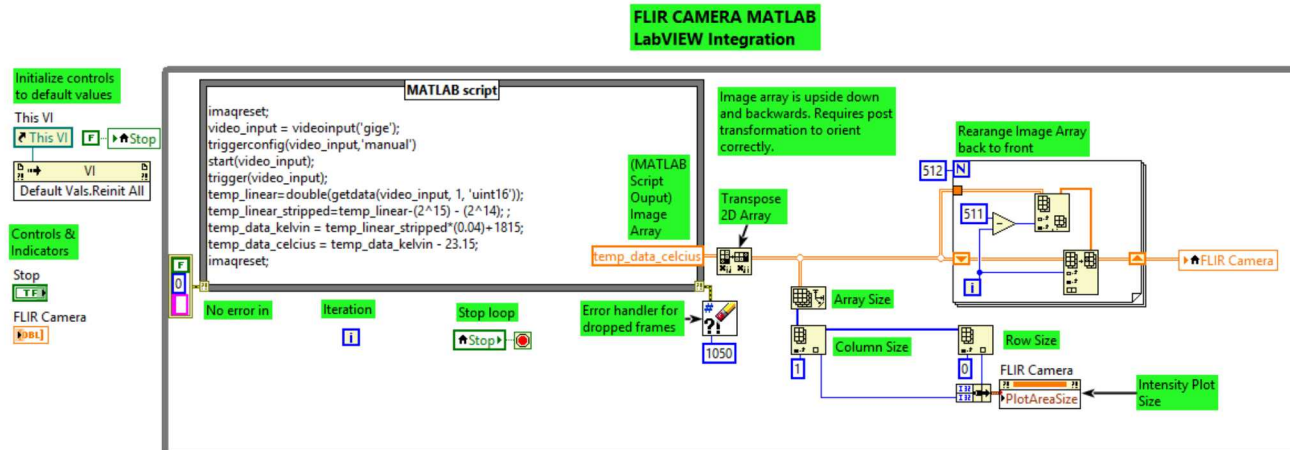
A comma delimited spreadsheet is also saved with the same using the `csvwrite()` function and a timestamp naming convention. Each cell in the spreadsheet represents one pixel of the 640x512 pixel image.



	A	B	C	D
1	-1988.4	-1976.6	-259.83	-1988.8
2	-1808.9	-1808.6	-1808.6	-1808.4
3	-1809.1	-1808.9	-1808.5	-1808.8
4	-1808.8	-1808.7	-1808.5	-1807.9
5	-1808.6	-1808.1	-1808.1	-1807.7
6	-1808.3	-1808.2	-1807.8	-1807.3
7	-1808.2	-1808	-1807.8	-1807.6

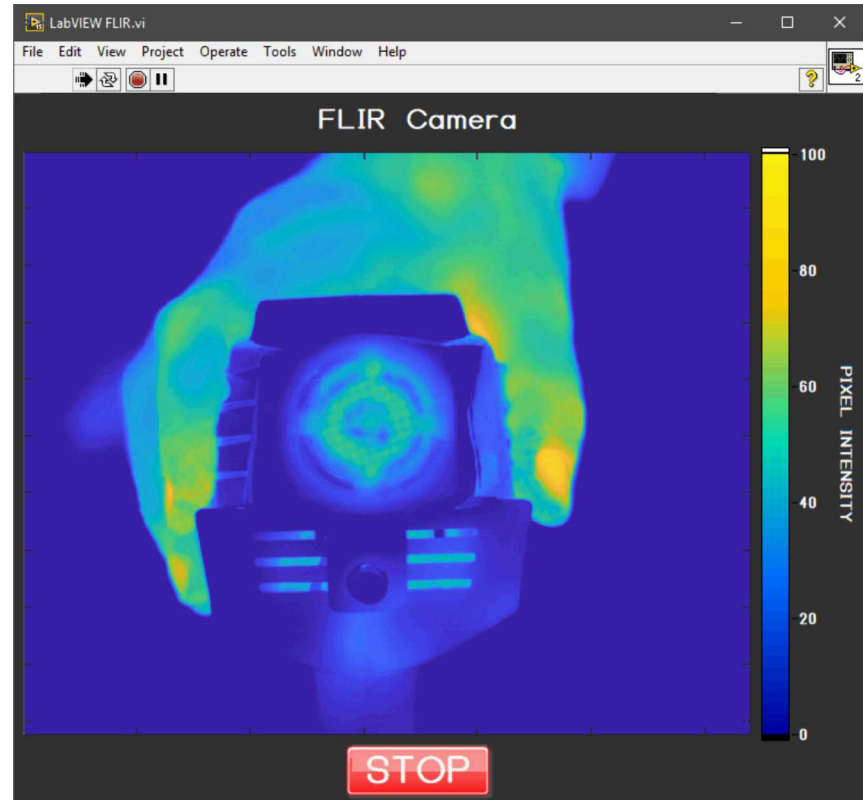
LabVIEW[®] Integration

To integrate the camera operation and image acquisition into LabVIEW[®], a MATLAB[®] Script function is used in the virtual instrument (VI) block diagram. The actual MATLAB[®] code used in the script is a much smaller version of the previously discussed script and contains camera communication. The obtained image array is not oriented correctly and the array must be transformed several times to display meaningful information.



LabVIEW® GUI

The LabVIEW VI GUI is similar to the MATLAB GUI minus the save button. This feature will be added in future revisions of the LabVIEW VI. Also, the color bar reflects pixel intensity as opposed to the values displayed in the MATLAB image arrays.



Conclusion

- Created MATLAB® script to communicate with camera, GUI to allow for saving and camera control, and integration into the LabVIEW® environment.
- Enhanced author's MATLAB® knowledge; including image acquisition, saving data, modifying the GUI, and MATLAB® to LabVIEW® integration.
- Continued work: adding save functionality to the LabVIEW® VI, faster image acquisition, more accurate temperature conversion from output pixel data.

Questions?

