

Lesson 3 Color Sorting

Note: The servo on robotic hand has been set with corresponding ID and limited angle before delivery. If the ID and the limited angle change due to other operations, please refer to the tutorial in “5.Appendix/8.Servo Debugging Method” to adjust.

1. Getting Ready

- 1) This lesson can be started after the robotic hands are assembled. The specific assembly method refers to “Advanced Lesson/ Vision Gripping Lesson/ Lesson 1 Robotic Hands Assembly”.
- 2) Place the colored block on the surface at the height of 15 cm and the error of height can not exceed 1 cm, otherwise it will affect the performance. You can use the product package box to experience this game directly.

2. Working Principle

The working principle of this this lesson is as follow:

The color is recognized through Lab color space firstly. Then convert RGB color into Lab color space, and proceed with binarization, dilation and erosion to obtain the contour of the target color.

Then, filter out the largest contour among red, green and blue three colors through he traversal function, and circle it, so that the color of the object can be recognized.

At last, judge according to the recognized color. and control the robot to grip and place or shake its head after recognizing the corresponding color object.

The source code of the program is located in:

/home/pi/TonyPi/Extend/Color_classify.py

```

16 # 开合手掌颜色分类
17
18 debug = False
19
20 if sys.version_info.major == 2:
21     print('Please run this program with python3!')
22     sys.exit(0)
23
24 range_rgb = {
25     'red': (0, 0, 255),
26     'blue': (255, 0, 0),
27     'green': (0, 255, 0),
28     'black': (0, 0, 0),
29     'white': (255, 255, 255),
30 }
31
32 # 找出面积最大的轮廓
33 # 参数为要比较的轮廓的列表
34 def getAreaMaxContour(contours):
35     contour_area_temp = 0
36     contour_area_max = 0
37     area_max_contour = None
38
39     for c in contours: # 遍历所有轮廓
40         contour_area_temp = math.fabs(cv2.contourArea(c)) # 计算轮廓面积
41         if contour_area_temp > contour_area_max:
42             contour_area_max = contour_area_temp
43             if contour_area_temp > 50: # 只有在面积大于50时，最大面积的轮廓才是有效的，以过滤干扰
44                 area_max_contour = c
45
46     return area_max_contour, contour_area_max # 返回最大的轮廓
47
48 lab_data = None
49 servo_data = None
50 def load_config():
51     global lab_data, servo_data
52
53     lab_data = yaml_handle.get_yaml_data(yaml_handle.lab_file_path)
54     servo_data = yaml_handle.get_yaml_data(yaml_handle.servo_file_path)
55
56 # 初始位置
57 def initMove():
58     Board.setBusServoPulse(17, 500, 500)
59     Board.setBusServoPulse(19, 500, 500)
60     Board.setPWMServoPulse(1, 1050, 500)
61     Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, servo_data['servo2'], 500)

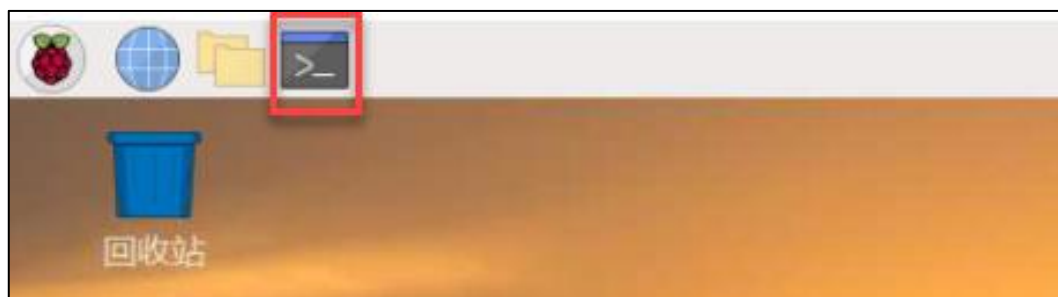
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3. Operation Step

i The entered command must be pay attention to case sensitivity and space.

1) Turn on the robot and connect to Raspberry Pi desktop with VNC.

2) Click  or press “Ctrl+Alt+T” to open LX terminal.



3) Enter “cd TonyPi/Extend/” and press “Enter” to come to the directory of

game programmings.

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ cd TonyPi/Extend/
```

4) Enter “sudo python3 FaceTrack_Fan.py” command, and then press “Enter” to start the game.

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ cd TonyPi/Extend/  
pi@raspberrypi:~/TonyPi/Extend $ sudo python3 color_classify.py
```

5) If want to exit the game, press “Ctrl+C” in the LX terminal. Please try multiple times if fail to exit.

4. Project Outcome

After the program is started, TonyPi Pro will squat first. When the red block is recognized, it will grip the block with right hand and place it to the right. When the blue block is recognized, it will grip the block and place it to the left. When the green block is recognized, it will shake head.

5. Function Extension

5.1 Modify Default Recognized Color

The program of color sorting has three built-in colors by default, which are red, green and blue. When red and blue are recognized, TonyPi Pro will grip the corresponding object. When green is recognized, TonyPi Pro will shake its head.

Take the robot nods when recognizing red and grip when recognizing green and blue as example. The specific modification steps are as follow:

- 1) Enter “cd TonyPi/Extend/” command and press “Enter” to come to the directory of the game programmings.

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ cd TonyPi/Extend/
```

- 2) Enter “sudo vim Color_classify.py” command, and then press “Enter”.

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ cd TonyPi/Extend/  
pi@raspberrypi:~/TonyPi/Extend $ sudo vim Color_classify.py
```

- 3) Find the code shown in the figure below:

```
110         time.sleep(1)  
111         if detect_color == 'red':  
112             AGC.runActionGroup('grab_right')  
113             detect_color = 'None'  
114             draw_color = range_rgb["black"]  
115             action_finish = True  
116  
117         elif detect_color == 'blue':  
118             AGC.runActionGroup('grab_left')  
119             detect_color = 'None'  
120             draw_color = range_rgb["black"]  
121             action_finish = True  
122  
123         elif detect_color == 'green':  
124             for i in range(2):  
125                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1300, 300)  
126                 time.sleep(0.3)  
127                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1700, 300)
```

- 4) Press “i” to enter the editing mode. Then modify “red” in “if detect_color == ‘red’:” to “green”.

```

110         time.sleep(1)
111         if detect_color == 'green':
112             AGC.runActionGroup('grab_right')
113             detect_color = 'None'
114             draw_color = range_rgb["black"]
115             action_finish = True
116
117         elif detect_color == 'blue':
118             AGC.runActionGroup('grab_left')
119             detect_color = 'None'
120             draw_color = range_rgb["black"]
121             action_finish = True
122
123         elif detect_color == 'green':
124             for i in range(2):
125                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1300, 300)
126                 time.sleep(0.3)
127                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1700, 300)

```

- 5) Locate line 123, and then modify “green” in “elif detect_color == ‘green’:” to “red”.

```

110         time.sleep(1)
111         if detect_color == 'green':
112             AGC.runActionGroup('grab_right')
113             detect_color = 'None'
114             draw_color = range_rgb["black"]
115             action_finish = True
116
117         elif detect_color == 'blue':
118             AGC.runActionGroup('grab_left')
119             detect_color = 'None'
120             draw_color = range_rgb["black"]
121             action_finish = True
122
123         elif detect_color == 'red':
124             for i in range(2):
125                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1300, 300)
126                 time.sleep(0.3)
127                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1700, 300)

```

- 6) After modification, press “Esc” and then enter “:wq” (Please note that the colon is in front of wq). Then press “Enter” to save and exit the modified content.

```

123         elif detect_color == 'red':
124             for i in range(2):
125                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1300, 300)
126                 time.sleep(0.3)
127                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1700, 300)
128                 time.sleep(0.3)
:wq

```

- 7) After the game is restarted, the robot will shake its head after recognizing the red block. When recognizing the blue or green block, the robot will grip and sort the block.

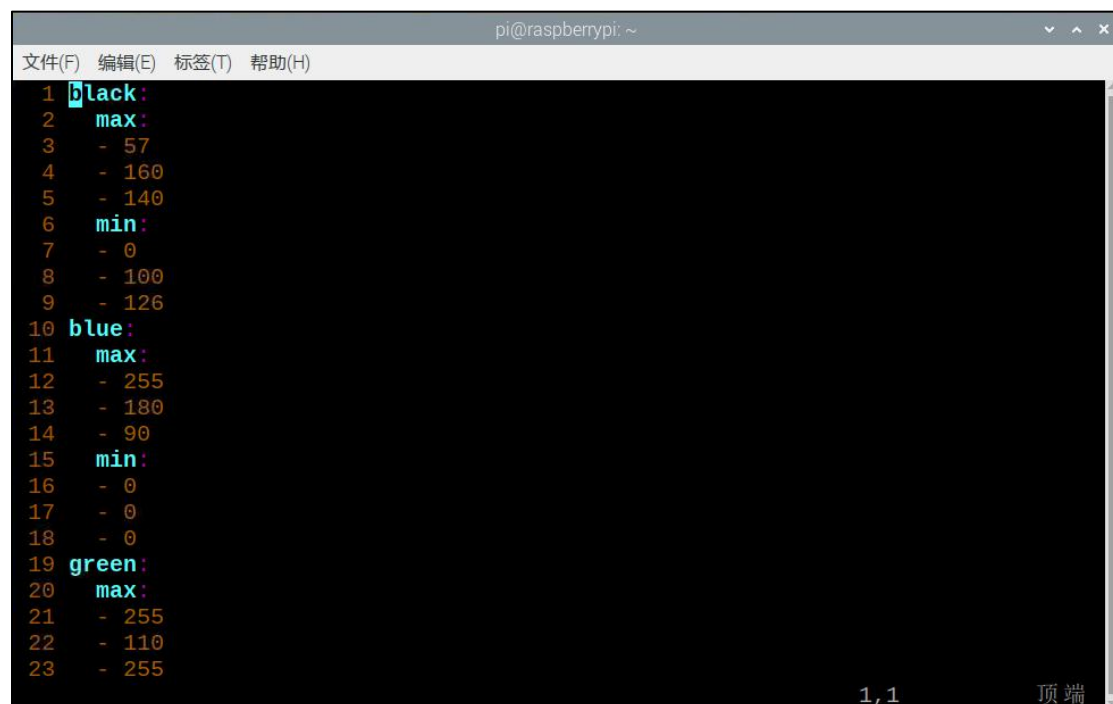
5.2 Add New Recognized Color

In addition to three built-in recognized colors, you can add other recognized colors. This section takes orange as example and the specific operation steps are as follow:

- 1) Open VNV and enter command “sudo vim TonyPi/lab_config.yaml” to open Lab color setting file.

```
pi@raspberrypi:~ $ sudo vim TonyPi/lab_config.yaml
```

The initial value can be recorded by screenshot or file backup.



```
pi@raspberrypi: ~
文件(F) 编辑(E) 标签(T) 帮助(H)
1 black:
2   max:
3     - 57
4     - 160
5     - 140
6   min:
7     - 0
8     - 100
9     - 126
10 blue:
11   max:
12     - 255
13     - 180
14     - 90
15   min:
16     - 0
17     - 0
18     - 0
19 green:
20   max:
21     - 255
22     - 110
23     - 255
1, 1 顶端
```

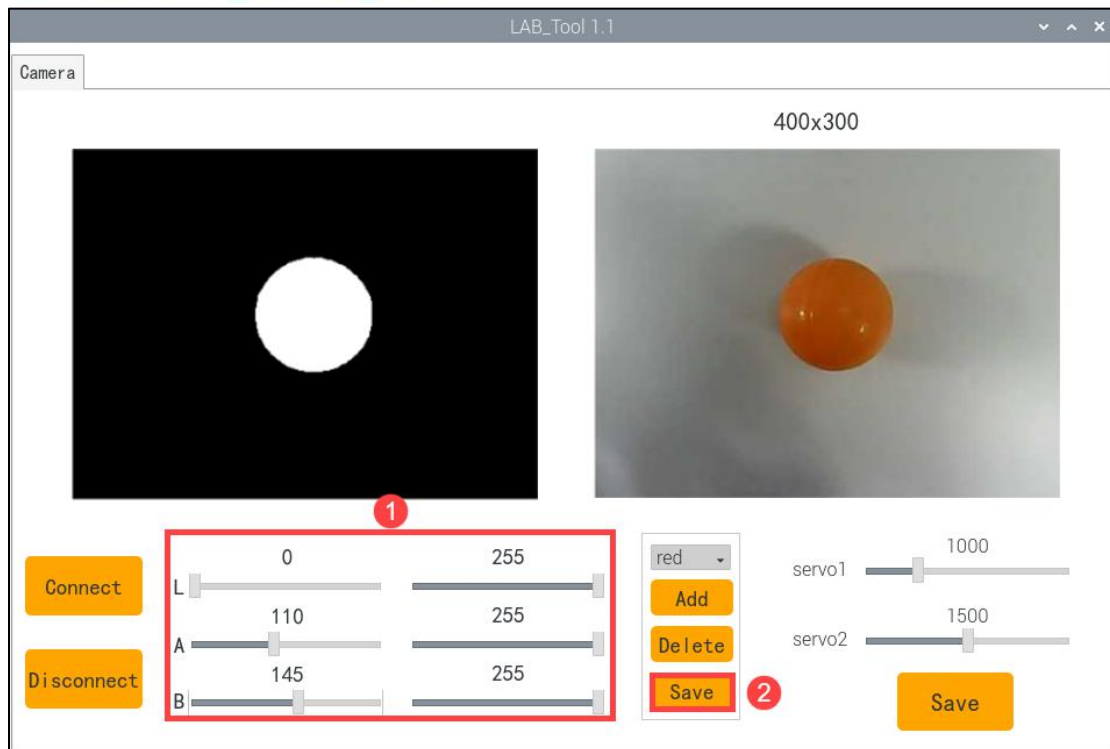
- 2) Click “LAB_Too” on system desktop, and then click “Execute” in the pop-up prompt window.



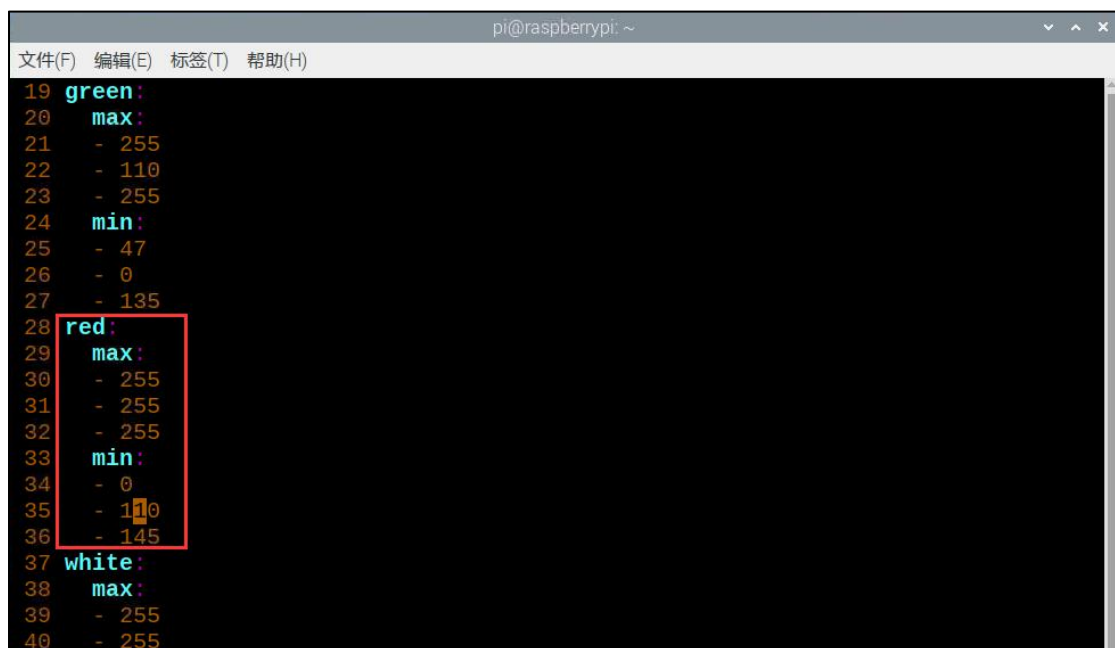
- 3) Click “Connect” button in the lower left corner. When the picture transmitted by the camera is displayed in the interface, it means that the connection is successful. Then select “red” in the right frame.



- 4) Point the camera at the color you want to recognize and drag the corresponding sliders of L, A and B until the orange part in left interface becomes white and other colors become black. Then click “save” button behind the “red” to save the modified data.



- 5) After modification, enter command “sudo vim TonyPi/lab_config.yaml” to view whether the color setting parameters are modified.



To avoid any impact on the game, it's recommended to use the LAB_Tool to modify the value back to the initial value after the modification is completed.

- 6) Check the data in red frame above. If the edited value was written in the

configuration program, press “Esc” and enter “:wq” to save it and exit.

- 7) According to the content in “5.1 Modify the Recognized Color”, set the default color that make TonyPi Pro shake its head after recognition as red according to the content in “5.1 Modify the recognized color”.

```
117         elif detect_color == 'blue':
118             AGC.runActionGroup('grab_left')
119             detect_color = 'None'
120             draw_color = range_rgb["black"]
121             action_finish = True
122
123         elif detect_color == 'red':
124             for i in range(2):
125                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1300, 300)
126                 time.sleep(0.3)
127                 Board.setPWMServoPulse(2, 1700, 300)
```

- 8) After the game is started, place the orange object in front of the camera, you can see that TonyPi Pro performs “shake head” action.
- 9) If want to add other colors as the recognition color, please refer to the same operation steps.