



User Guide

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Revision History

Date	Description
July, 2026	Updated for version 2.1 with DEM Integration, AI Person Detector for real-time streaming, Temperature Residual Anomaly detector, batch processing, multi-language support, and viewer enhancements.
December, 2025	Updated for version 2.0.
July, 2025	Updated for version 1.6 with HSV Color Range Algorithm, AI Person Detector, and updates to the viewer.
February, 2025	Updated for version 1.5 with MRMap Algorithm, PDF Report, Zip Bundle, and Max Object Area.
November, 2024	Updated for version 1.4 with changes to Viewer interface and added Keyboard Shortcuts table
August, 2024	Initial release of the user guide for ADIAT alongside version 1.3 of the application.

Getting Started

Download & Installation

Installers for ADIAT have been created for Windows and macOS and can be found on the [TEXSAR – ADIAT](#) webpage.

License Information

ADIAT is licensed under the [GNU General Public License v3.0](#) and may be used, modified, and distributed subject to the terms of that license.

Source Code Repository

As an open source program, the source code is available in [GitHub](#) along with instructions on how to run and compile the app.

Image Analysis Interface Guide

The ADIAT interface is comprised of three main components: the “Setup Guide” which provides a step-by-step workflow for setting up analysis, the “Image Analysis Window” where the user can directly provide the inputs required to run the detectors, and the “Image Viewer” where the user will be able to see and interact with images that were identified as having areas of interest (AOI). Once the detection algorithm has run, the augmented images with AOIs can also be exported from the Image Viewer.

Setup Guide (Wizard)

The Image Analysis Setup Guide provides a structured approach to configuring ADIAT for image analysis. In some steps, such as the *Image Capture Information* screen shown below, default values are populated automatically based on metadata extracted from the image files. In other steps, information is collected through a sequence of configuration prompts to ensure alignment with the intended analysis objectives. When the setup process is complete, the collected configuration values are applied to the analysis settings and ADIAT begins image processing.

ADIAT Image Analysis Guide

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Image Capture Information

What drone/camera was used to capture images?

Air 2S

At what above ground level (AGL) altitude was the drone flying?

151 ft

Estimated Ground Sampling Distance (GSD):

Primary: 1.33 cm/pixel

2

Close

3

☐ Skip this wizard in the future

4

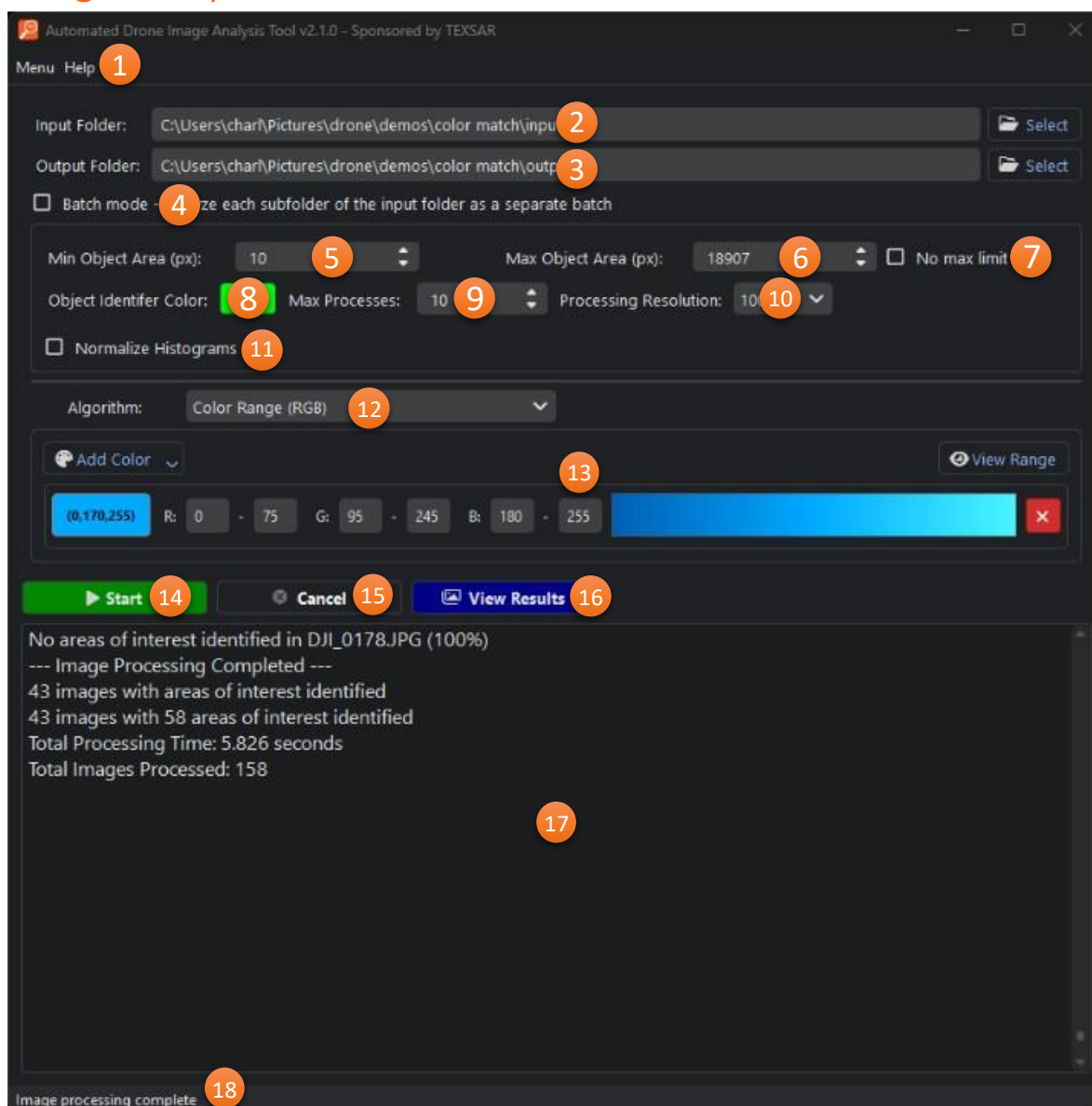
Back

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Continue

1. **Parameter Configuration:** Analysis configuration questions and inputs.
2. **Close:** Closes the guide and opens the Image Analysis Window for manual configuration.
3. **Skip this wizard in the future:** When checked, the setup guide will no longer be shown when the user enters Image Analysis mode. The setup guide can still be accessed via the menu in the Image Analysis Window.
4. **Back:** Returns to the previous step in the guide.
5. **Continue:** Moves to the next step in the setup guide.

Image Analysis Window



1. **Menu Bar:** Provides access to application configuration and navigation links as well as help resources. See more about this feature [here](#).
2. **Input Folder:** Location from which images will be sourced.
3. **Output Folder:** Location where augmented images with areas of interest identified will be stored along with an XML file containing metadata from the processing.
4. **Batch Mode:** Processes each subfolder as its own detection run so results can be viewed before all images have been processed.
5. **Min Object Area (px):** The minimum size (area), in pixels, that an object must meet or exceed to be reported as an area of interest.

6. **Max Object Area (px):** The maximum size (area), in pixels, that an object can be reported as an area of interest.
7. **No max limit:** Disables the max object area parameter.
8. **Object Identification Color:** The color that will be used to circle areas of interest.
9. **Max Processes:** The number of images that will be processed in parallel. This number is driven by the complexity of the algorithm/features being used and the performance characteristics of the user's computer.
10. **Processing Resolution:** Scaled resolution at which images will be processed. Reducing resolution can make processing faster but can result in fewer detections.
11. **Normalize Histograms:** The option to adjust the lighting conditions for all input images to where they match the conditions in the reference image. See more about this feature [here](#).
12. **Algorithm:** The detector that will be used. More info about the available algorithms can be found [here](#).
13. **Algorithm Options:** Settings and parameters that are specific to the selected algorithm.
14. **Start:** Button that starts the image analyzer.
15. **Cancel:** Terminates the analysis in progress.
16. **View Results:** Launches the image viewer after analysis has been completed.
17. **Information Window:** Provides real-time updates during the image analysis process.
18. **Status Bar:** Provides status information on the current image analysis process.

Menu Bar

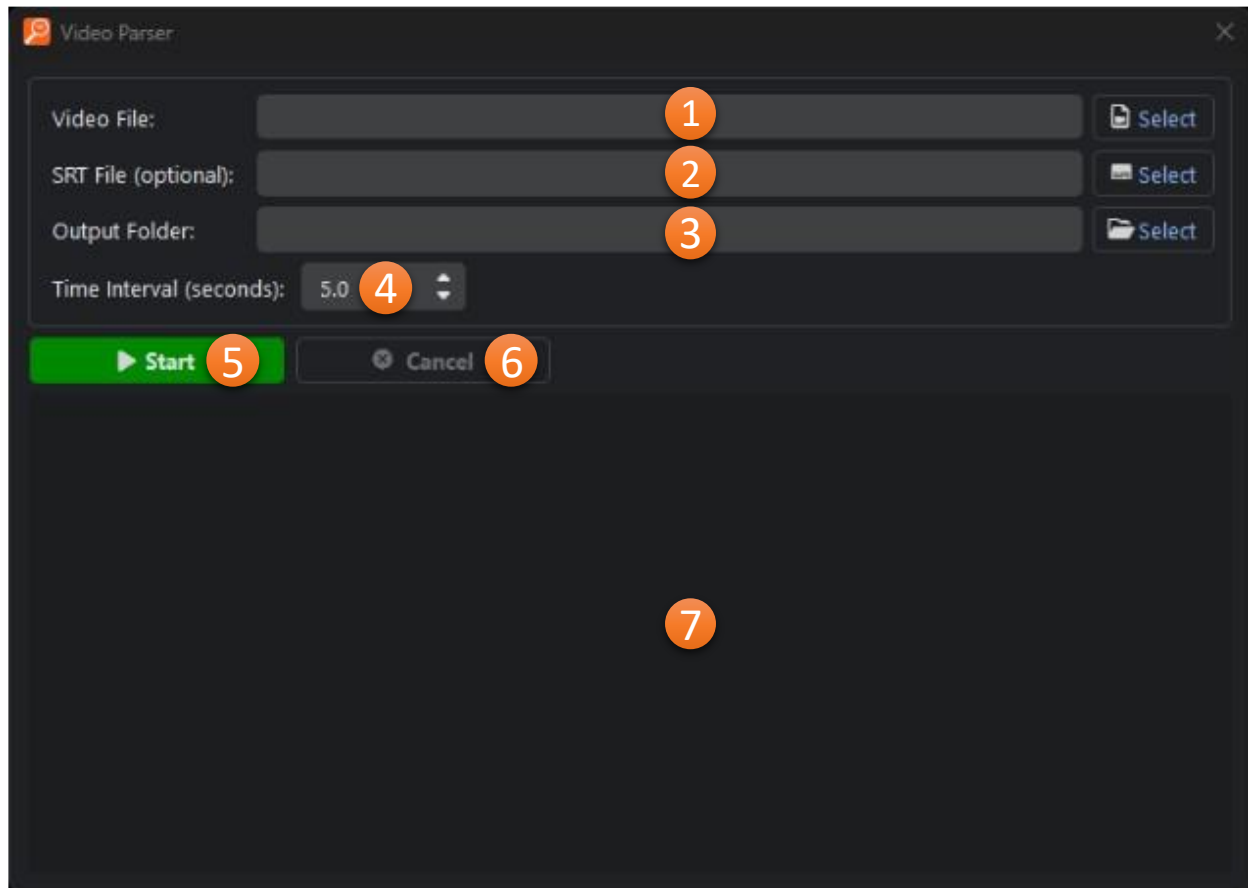
Menu

- **Image Analysis Wizard:** Loads the [Setup Guide](#)
- **Streaming Detector:** Loads the [Streaming Detection](#) interface
- **Load Results File:** Used to reload previously run image analysis
- **Load Results Folder:** Used to reload previously run image analysis from a list of analysis runs.
- **Preferences:** Loads the [Application Preferences](#) dialog
- **Video Parser:** Loads the [Video Parser](#) dialog

Help

- **Check for Updates:** Checks to see if there is a newer version of ADIAT available and prompts to download/install if one is found.
- **Manual:** Link to this guide
- **Community Forum:** Link to the ADIAT Discord community
- **YouTube Channel:** Link to ADIAT YouTube channel

Video Parser



1. **Video File:** The file to be parsed.
2. **SRT File:** The SRT file containing timestamp and location information. This is optional, but without it the captured images will not include location information.
3. **Output Folder:** Location where the still frame images will be stored.
4. **Time Interval (seconds):** Interval between captured still frames.
5. **Start:** Button that starts the video parsing process.
6. **Cancel:** Terminates the parsing process.
7. **Information Window:** Provides real-time updates during the video parsing process.

Application Preferences

The screenshot shows the 'Preferences' window of the ADIAT application. It has a dark theme and contains several settings sections. Numbered callouts (1-16) are placed over various UI elements:

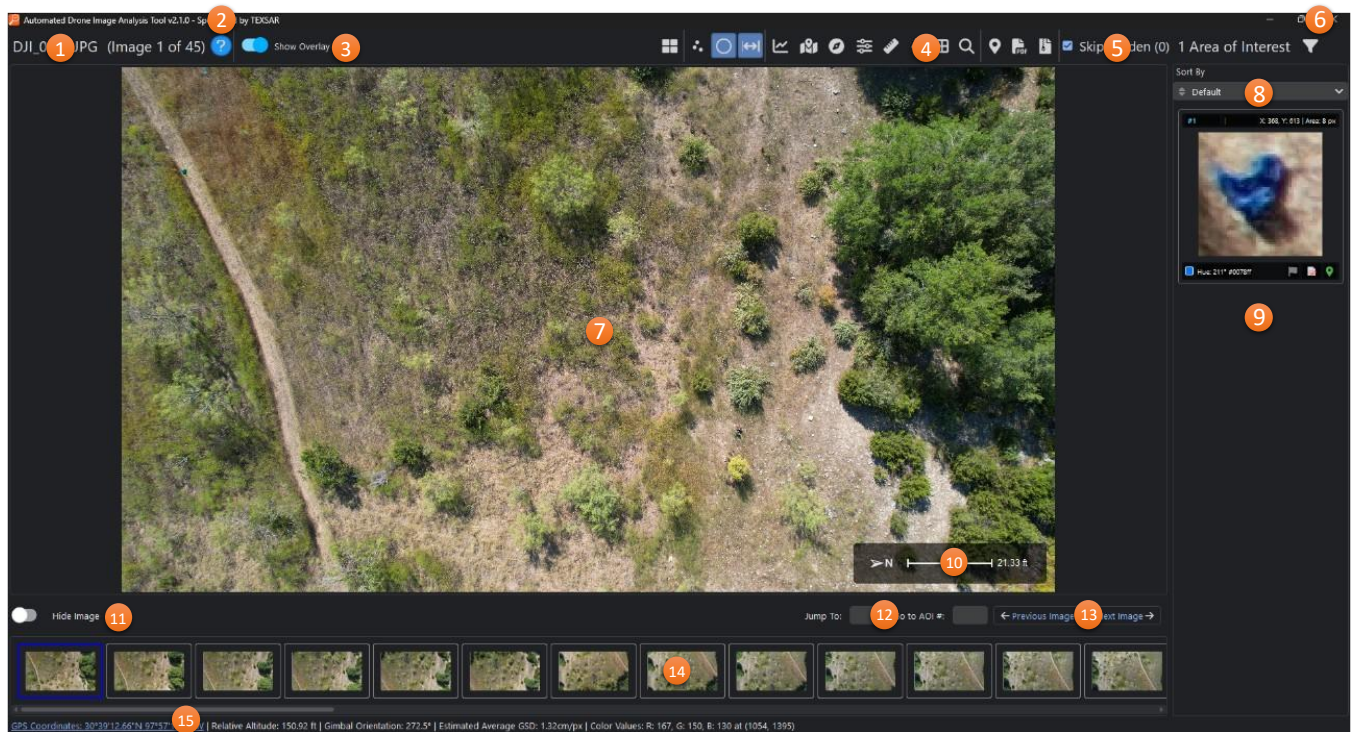
- 1. Language dropdown menu (set to English)
- 2. Theme dropdown menu (set to Dark)
- 3. Max Areas of Interest input field (set to 200)
- 4. Area of Interest Circle Radius(px) input field (set to 15)
- 5. Coordinate System dropdown menu (set to Lat/Long - Degrees, Minutes, Seconds)
- 6. Temperature Unit dropdown menu (set to Celsius)
- 7. Distance Unit dropdown menu (set to Feet)
- 8. Offline Only Mode checkbox (unchecked)
- 9. Drone Sensor File Version text (1.2.1_2026-0) and Replace button
- 10. Use Terrain Elevation checkbox (checked)
- 11. Elevation Source dropdown menu (set to USGS 3DEP 1 m local tiles (AWS f... outside coverage))
- 12. Manifest CSV input field (set to AppData\Local\ADIAT\terrain_library\dem_manifest.csv) and Browse... button
- 13. Tiles directory input field (set to C:\Users\charl\AppData\Local\ADIAT\terrain_library\dem) and Browse... button
- 14. Terrain Cache text (N/A (local tiles)) and Clear Cache button
- 15. Canopy Data Source dropdown menu (set to Meta/WRI Canopy Height (local GeoTIFFs...))
- 16. Manifest CSV input field (set to AppData\Local\ADIAT\terrain_library\chm_manifest.csv) and Browse... button

Additional UI elements include a 'Download tiles...' button at the bottom of the Canopy Data Source section and a 'Close' button at the very bottom of the window.

1. **Language:** Language for all labels throughout ADIAT.
2. **Theme:** Light/Dark theme options for application styling.
3. **Max Areas of Interest:** The threshold that will trigger a warning during analysis that an unusually large number of areas of interest have been identified in a single image.
4. **Area of Interest Circle Radius (px):** How much of a buffer should there be between the area of interest and the circle identifying it.
5. **Coordinate System:** GPS location output format.
6. **Temperature Unit:** Unit for temperatures in thermal algorithms and images.
7. **Distance Unit:** Unit for altitude shown in viewer window.

8. **Offline Only Mode:** If enabled, map tiles won't be downloaded and CalTopo integration will be turned off.
9. **Drone Sensor File:** Allows the user to replace the drone sensor information file as new drones are released and supported.
10. **Use Terrain Elevation:** Toggles the use of online or offline digital elevation model (DEM) for more accurate elevation data
11. **Elevation Source:** DEM selector (AWS Terrain Tiles or USGS 3DEP)
12. **Manifest and Tiles Directory:** Download list and destination for USGS 3DEP tile download
13. **Terrain Cache:** Provides information about the currently cached tiles and provides the option to clear the cache. (AWS Terrain Tiles Only)
14. **Canopy Data Source:** Source for canopy information
15. **Manifest and Tiles Directory:** Download list and destination for canopy tile download
16. **Download tiles:** Launches dialog for completing canopy download.

Image Viewer



1. **File Name and Image Count/Index:** The name of the file currently being viewed along with the index of the current image and the total number of images with areas of interest.
2. **Help:** Opens the Image Viewer help dialog
3. **Show Overlay:** Toggles display of the direction-of-travel arrow and scale bar (see #10 below).
4. **Toolbar:** See descriptions [here](#)
5. **Skip Hidden:** Toggles whether “hidden” images will be shown when navigation with Previous and Next buttons. Also shows a count of hidden images in the result set.
6. **Areas of Interest Filter*:** Filters the areas of interest being displayed based on various parameters.
7. **Main Image Viewer:** Displays the zoomable image with areas of interest circled.
8. **Areas of Interest Sort*:** Sorts the areas of interest based on various parameters
9. **Area of Interest (AOI) List*:** A scrollable section showing thumbnails of areas of interest found in the image. Clicking on a thumbnail will zoom the main image to that area. Each AOI can also be flagged, have comments added for report and export purposes, or provide an estimated location based on the drone location and GSD.
10. **Overlay:** Shows the drone orientation when the image was taken and a scale based on GSD calculated from the relative altitude.
11. **Hide Image:** Toggles visibility of the current image.
12. **Jump To:** Provides the ability to move directly to a specific image or AOI number
13. **Previous Image & Next Image:** Navigation buttons to move between images with areas of interest identified by ADIAT.
14. **Thumbnail Navigation:** Scrollable area with thumbnails representing each image with areas of interest identified by ADIAT.

15. **Information Bar:** Provides location, altitude, orientation, and estimated GSD data for the image as well as pixel-level temperature data for thermal images and color data for RGB images.

*The Area of Interest List can be toggled between single image and gallery mode on the tool bar.

Toolbar

Icon	Name	Description
	Gallery Mode	Switches the Areas of Interest (AOI) panel from displaying AOIs for the current image to displaying AOIs for all images. In Gallery Mode, the AOI panel can expand to multiple columns.
	Show POIs	Highlights pixels of interest on the main image.
	Show AOIs	Shows or hides AOI circles in the viewer.
	Show AOI Ruler	Shows or hides the ruler below the selected AOI.
	Histogram Viewer	For color images, opens the HSV histogram showing hue distribution and allows the user to isolate or highlight specific hues. For thermal images, opens the temperature histogram showing temperature distribution and allows the user to isolate specific temperature ranges and see where AOIs fall.
	GPS Map	Opens the interactive GPS map window to display image locations and AOIs in geographic context.
	North View	Rotates the image to true north based on the drone's recorded heading.
	Image Adjustments	Opens the image adjustment dialog for modifying exposure, highlights, shadows, and clarity.
	Measure	Opens the measurement tool for calculating distances and areas within the image.
	Person Size Reference	Opens the person size reference tool which provides an overlay on the image showing the estimated size of a person in various positions.
	Magnify	Toggles the magnifying tool to inspect fine details at the cursor location.
	Grid Review Mode	Toggles grid review mode to facilitate manual image analysis.
	Map Export	Opens the export dialog to generate KML files or send data directly to CalTopo.
	PDF Export	Generates a PDF report containing AOIs, comments, and imagery.
	ZIP Export	Exports images, AOI cutouts, and metadata as a ZIP archive.

Keyboard Shortcuts

Key/ Combination	Function
Left Arrow	Navigation to Previous Image
Right Arrow	Navigate to Next Image
Down Arrow or P	Hide Current Image and Move to Next Image
Up Arrow or U	Unhide the Current Image
A	Open the Align Image dialog
C	Enter AOI creation mode
E	Upscale currently visible portion of image
F	Flag/unflag currently selected AOI
G	Toggle between Gallery View (all images) and Single Image View
H	Toggle highlight pixels of interest
M	Open GPS map view
R	Show north-oriented view of current image (rotated based on bearing)
Z	Track the selected AOI in neighboring images (find the same target in adjacent photos)
Ctrl + H	Open image adjustments dialog
Ctrl + I	Toggle highlight pixels of interest
Ctrl + M	Open measure tool
Ctrl + P	Open person size reference tool
Shift + E	Export coverage-extent KML
Shift + F	Select AOI at cursor position
Shift + O	Override altitude for all images (manually set custom AGL altitude for GSD calculations)
Shift + W	Load Wingtra CSV flight log

Grid Review Mode Shortcuts

Key/ Combination	Function
S	Toggle Grid Review mode on/off (works from anywhere)
Shift + S	Open Grid Review settings dialog
Space	Advance to next cell (marks reviewed if auto-mark is on)
Shift + Space or Backspace	Retreat to previous cell
Arrow keys	Move between grid cells
X	Toggle the current cell as reviewed
Esc	Exit Grid Review mode

Mouse Controls

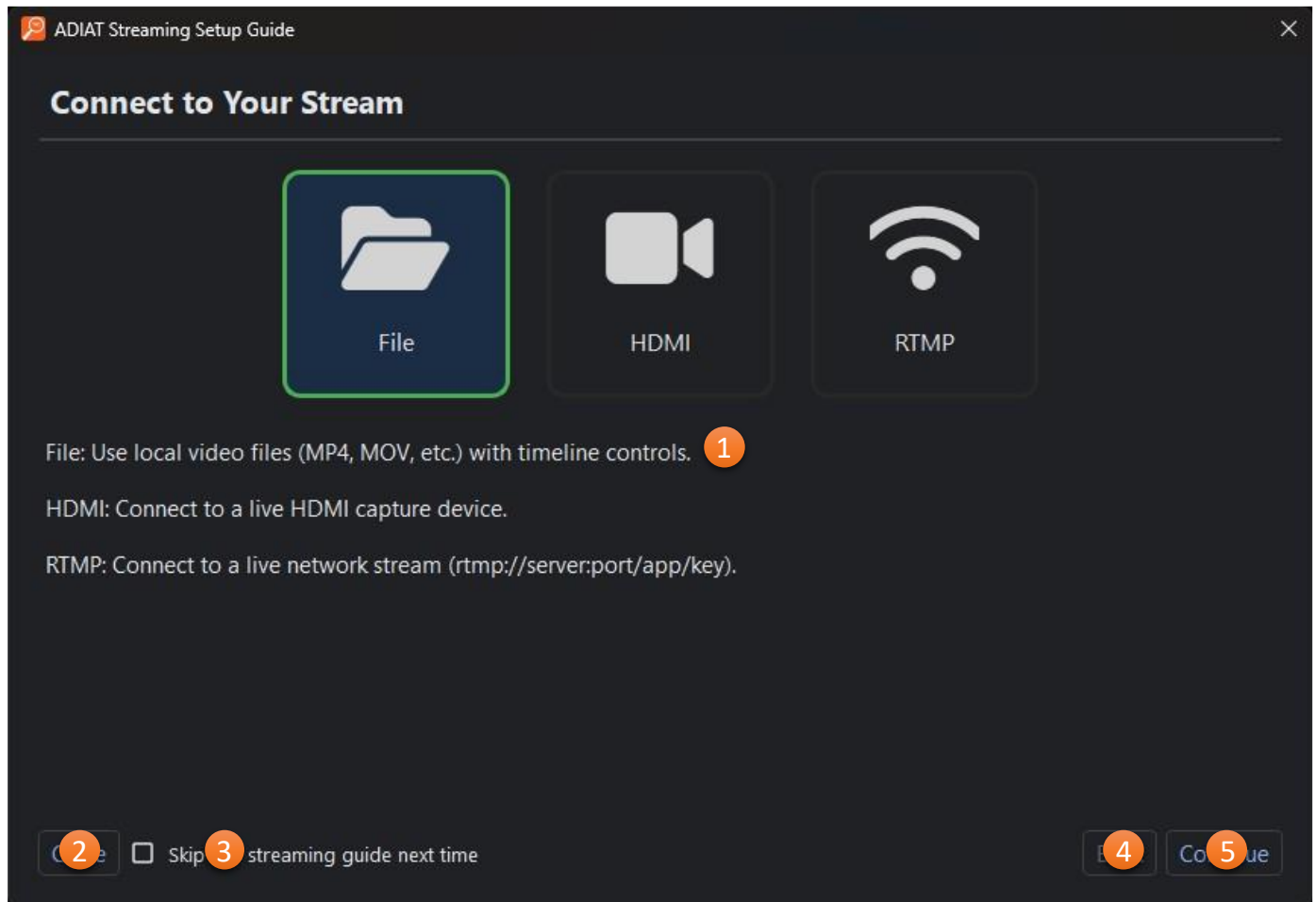
Key/ Combination	Function
Left Click + Drag	Draw a rectangle to zoom to that section
Right Click	Pan the image
Middle Click	Open magnifier

Streaming Analysis Interface Guide

Version 2.0 of ADIAT introduces streaming analysis with support for video from files, RTMP, and HDMI capture. Similar to the image analysis process, the input stream is analyzed using detection algorithms and areas of interest are highlighted for review.

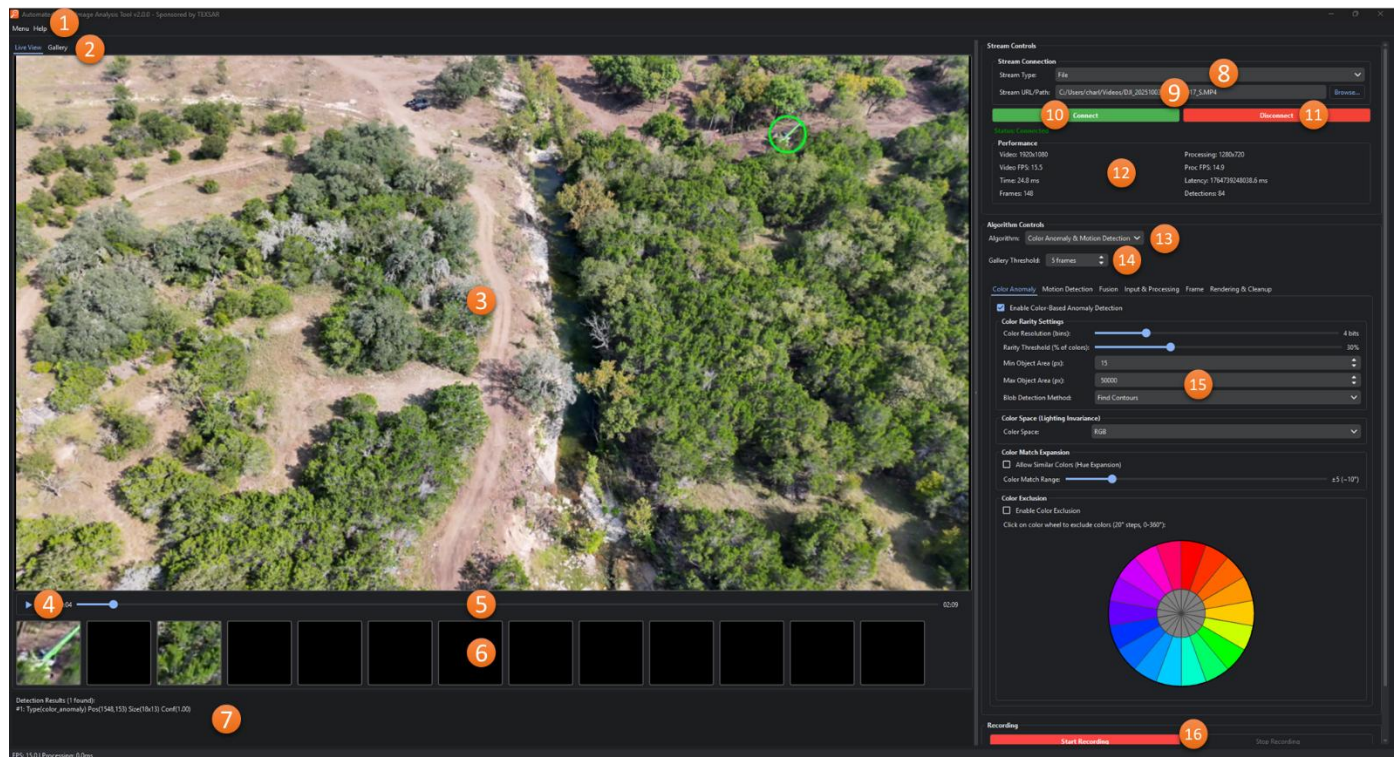
Setup Guide (Wizard)

The Streaming Analysis Setup Guide provides a structured approach to configuring ADIAT for streaming analysis. Information is collected through a sequence of configuration prompts to ensure alignment with the intended analysis objectives. When the setup process is complete, the collected configuration values are applied to the analysis settings and ADIAT begins streaming analysis.



1. **Parameter Configuration:** Analysis configuration questions and inputs.
2. **Close:** Closes the guide and opens the Streaming Analysis interface for manual configuration.
3. **Skip this wizard in the future:** When checked, the setup guide will no longer be shown when the user enters Streaming Analysis mode. The setup guide can still be accessed via the menu in the Streaming Analysis Window.
4. **Back:** Returns to the previous step in the guide.
5. **Continue:** Moves to the next step in the setup guide.

Streaming Viewer



1. **Menu Bar:** Provides access to application configuration and navigation links as well as help resources. See more about this feature [here](#).
2. **Live View/Gallery:** Switches between the live view and gallery of previous detections.
3. **Main Video:** The video stream augmented with area of interest highlights
4. **Play/Pause:** Starts and stops the stream without disconnecting it.
5. **Timeline:** Allows for moving forward and backward through the video (file streaming only).
6. **Thumbnails:** Highlights showing current and recent detections
7. **Information Window:** Provides information about detections in real-time.
8. **Stream Type:** File, RTMP Stream, or HDMI Capture
9. **Stream URL/Path:** The source for the video stream
10. **Connect:** Connects to the video stream and begins playing/analyzing
11. **Disconnect:** Disconnects from the video stream
12. **Performance:** Performance statistics for the video and analysis
13. **Algorithm:** The detector that will be used. More info about the available algorithms can be found [here](#).
14. **Gallery Threshold:** The number of frames a detection must be found in before it is added to the gallery.
15. **Algorithm Options:** Settings and parameters that are specific to the selected algorithm.
16. **Recording:** Controls to record the augmented video stream.

Menu Bar

Menu

- **Streaming Analysis Wizard:** Loads the [Setup Guide](#)
- **Image Analysis:** Loads the [Image Analysis](#) interface
- **Preferences:** Loads the [Application Preferences](#) dialog

Help

- **Manual:** Link to this guide
- **Community Forum:** Link to the ADIAT Discord community
- **YouTube Channel:** Link to ADIAT YouTube channel

Image Analysis Algorithms

RGB Image Algorithms

Color Range (RGB)

Released – May, 2019

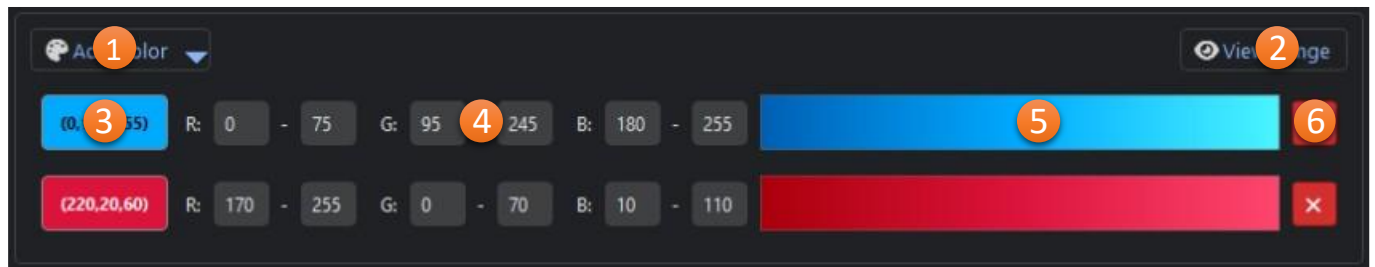
Available On – Windows, macOS

Summary

The "Color Range (RGB)" algorithm looks at each pixel in an image to determine if it is within user-specified RGB color ranges. Any sufficiently sized (defined by the user) areas where all pixels are within a selected color range are flagged as areas of interest in the image.

The color detection algorithm in ADIAT utilizes the `inRange` function in OpenCV.

Interface



1. **Add Color:** Dropdown menu for adding additional color ranges from a color picker, image, list, or recently used colors.
2. **View Range*:** Shows the selected and unselected color range(s) in three color-space visualizations.
3. **Selected Color:** The base color that was selected for the range (click to edit).
4. **Channel Ranges:** The red, green, and blue ranges for the selected color.
5. **Min-Max Range:** Gradient showing the range (max to min) based on the channel ranges.
6. **Remove:** Removes the color range

* The color range viewer is a one-dimensional representation of the three-dimensional selected color range. It is intended to be a guide and is not comprehensive.

Color Range (HSV)

Released – July, 2025

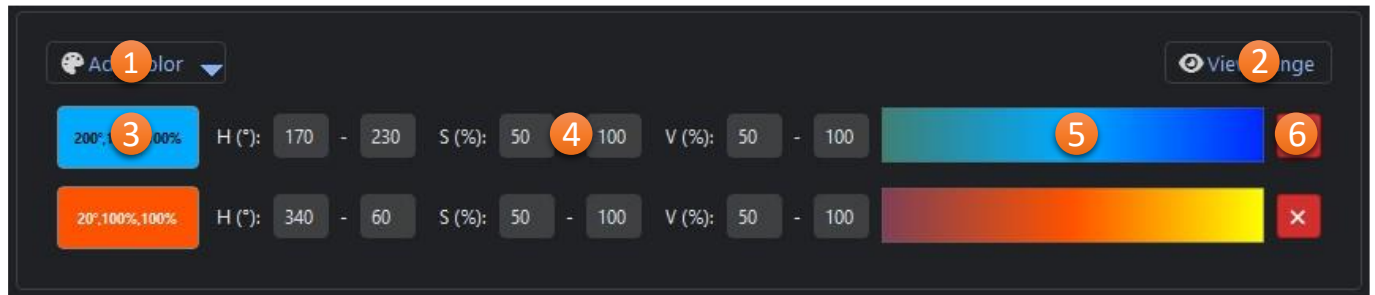
Available On – Windows, macOS

Summary

The "Color Range (HSV)" algorithm looks at each pixel in an image to determine if it is within user-specified color ranges. Any sufficiently sized (defined by the user) areas where all pixels are within a selected color range are flagged as areas of interest in the image.

The color detection algorithm in ADIAT utilizes the `inRange` function in OpenCV.

Interface



1. **Add Color:** Dropdown menu for adding additional color ranges from an HSV color picker, image, list, or recently used colors.
2. **View Range*:** Shows the selected and unselected color range(s) in three color-space visualizations.
3. **Selected Color:** The base color that was selected for the range (click to edit).
4. **Channel Ranges:** The hue, saturation, and value ranges for the selected color. Since hue is represented as a circle in HSV, the range can wrap around 360/0. In the example above the orange range is centered around 20° but goes from 340° to 60°.
5. **Min-Max Range:** Gradient showing the range (max to min) based on the channel ranges.
6. **Remove:** Removes the color range

* The color range viewer is a one-dimensional representation of the three-dimensional selected color range. It is intended to be a guide and is not comprehensive.

Matched Filter

Released – October, 2023

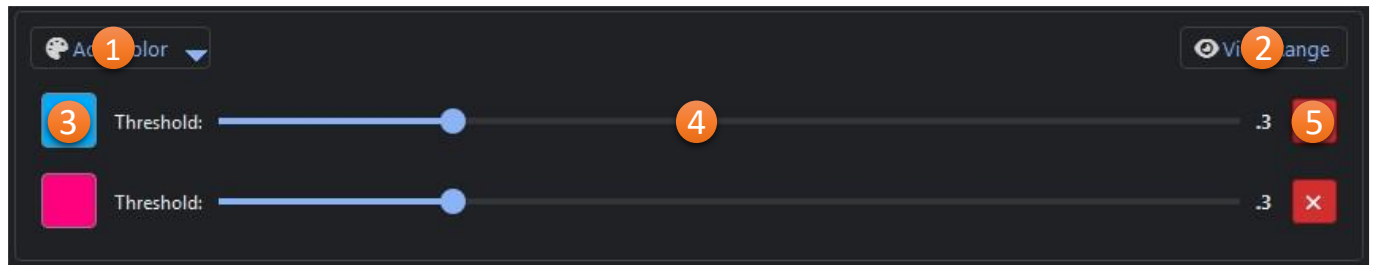
Available On – Windows, macOS

Summary

With the “Matched Filter” algorithm, individual pixels are scored based on how close they are to the reference colors and then the scores are evaluated against the user-provided thresholds. Any sufficiently sized (defined by the user) areas of pixels scored above the thresholds are flagged as areas of interest in the image.

The matched filter detector used in ADIAT utilizes the `matched_filter` function in Spectral Python.

Interface



1. **Add Color:** Dropdown menu for adding additional color ranges from a color picker, image, list, or recently used colors.
2. **View Range*:** Shows the selected and unselected color range(s) in three color-space visualizations.
3. **Selected Color:** The base color that was selected for the range (click to edit).
4. **Threshold:** Sets the minimum “score” (on a scale of .1 – 1) that we will consider to be a match to the reference color once the matched filter detector is run. Default value is .3
5. **Remove:** Removes the color range

* The color range viewer is a one-dimensional representation of the three-dimensional selected color range. It is intended to be a guide and is not comprehensive.

RX Anomaly Detection

Released – May, 2019

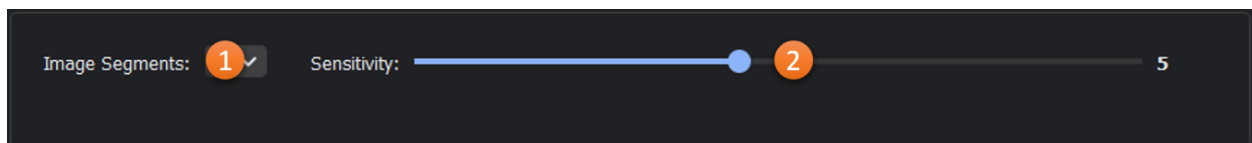
Available On – Windows, macOS

Summary

The RX (Reed-Xiaoli) anomaly detector extracts targets that are spectrally distinct from the image background by using the squared Mahalanobis distance as a measure of how anomalous a pixel is with respect to an assumed background. Once the RX scores have been calculated, each scored pixel is evaluated against a user-specified threshold to declare whether it should be declared anomalous. Any sufficiently sized (defined by the user) areas of pixels scored above the threshold are flagged as areas of interest in the image.

The RX anomaly detector used in ADIAT utilizes the rx function in Spectral Python.

Interface



1. **Image Segments:** Divides the image into equally-sized segments so that the target pixel will be compared to a section of the image rather than the entire image.
2. **Sensitivity:** Threshold for determining if a pixel is anomalous with respect to the background.

MRMap Algorithm

Released – February, 2025

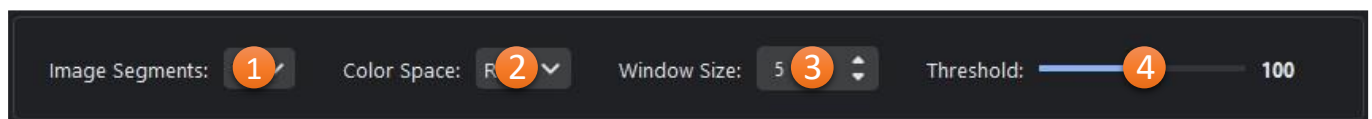
Available On – Windows, macOS

Summary

This algorithm is inspired by a color anomaly detector used by Mountain Rescue England & Wales in their MRMap application, which was featured in [Wired magazine](#). The algorithm simplifies the image's colors into a manageable number of groups using a quantized histogram. It then identifies pixels with colors that are less common than a user-specified level. These anomalous pixels are then checked for proximity to other anomalous pixels, either as neighbors or within a user-defined window. Clusters of anomalous pixels exceeding a user-defined size are flagged as “areas of interest.”

Note: Given that the MRMap algorithm is more aggressive than the other algorithms when it comes to grouping pixels into anomalies, it is recommended that you set your “Min Object Area” higher than you would for other algorithms.

Interface



1. **Image Segments:** Divides the image into equally-sized segments so that the target pixel will be compared to a section of the image rather than the entire image.
2. **Color Space:** Which color space (RGB, HSV, or LAB) should be used for detection.
3. **Window Size:** How many pixels away from another anomalous pixel can one be and still be considered part of the same anomaly.
4. **Threshold:** Corresponds to the minimum number of pixels in a quantized “bucket” before it is no longer considered anomalous. The threshold is programmatically adjusted based on the image size with an 8000 x 6000 pixel image set as the default reference size (i.e. if your image is 4000 x 3000 the threshold will be 50% of the value you provide since your image is half the size of the reference size).

AI Person Detector Algorithm

Released – July, 2025

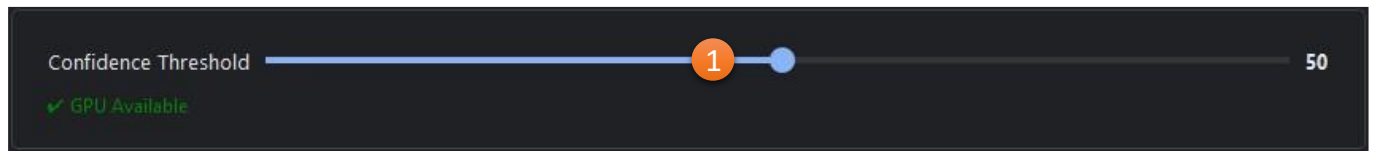
Available On – Windows, macOS

Summary

This algorithm leverages a You Only Look Once (YOLO) object detection model that has been specifically trained to identify people in aerial imagery. Images are sliced into 1280x1280 or 2048x2048 pieces and then processed by the model. Any detections that meet or exceed the user-defined confidence threshold (that is, how confident the model is that it has found a person) are flagged as areas of interest.

Note: This model runs much faster if it can use a GPU (graphics card) to make predictions. Version 2.0 and later of ADIAT uses a new version of the underlying AI library which is no longer dependent on CUDA libraries.

Interface



1. **Confidence Threshold:** How sure the model must be (on a scale from 0 to 100) that the object it found is a person, before it is marked as a detection.
2. **GPU Check:** Verification that the user's system is set up to leverage their GPU for this algorithm.

Thermal Algorithms

Temperature Range

Released – August, 2024

Available On – Windows

Summary

The Temperature Range algorithm leverages radiometric data capture by thermal sensors and determines for each pixel if it is within a user-specified temperature range. Any sufficiently sized areas where all pixels are within the selected temperature range are flagged as areas of interest in the jpg rendering of the thermal data.

Drones/Cameras Supported:

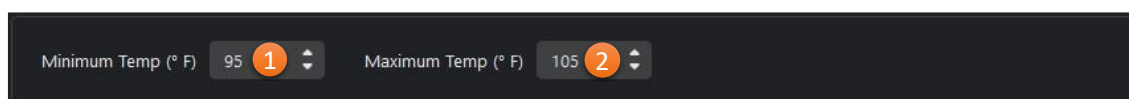
DJI – H20T, H30T, XT2, XTR, XTS, Mavic 2 Enterprise-Advanced, Mavic 3T, Mavic 3TD, Matrice 30T, Matrice 4T, Matrice 4TD

Autel – EVO II 640T v3, EVO Max 4T

FLIR – AX8, B60, E40, T650

Skydio – X10

Interface



1. **Minimum Temp*:** The bottom of the temperature range
2. **Maximum Temp*:** The top of the temperature range

*The temperature unit can be set in the application preferences.

Temperature Anomaly

Released – August, 2024

Available On – Windows

Summary

The “Temperature Anomaly” algorithm leverages radiometric data capture by thermal sensors and determines for each pixel if it is outside of the user-specified number of standard deviations from the mean temperature of all pixels in the image or image segment. Any sufficiently sized areas where all pixels are anomalous are flagged as areas of interest in the jpg rendering of the thermal data.

Drones/Cameras Supported:

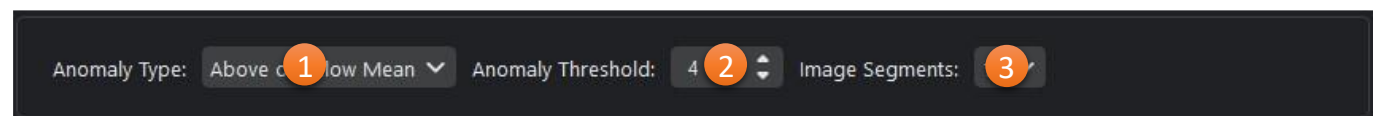
DJI – H20T, H30T, XT2, XTR, XTS, Mavic 2 Enterprise-Advanced, Mavic 3T, Mavic 3TD, Matrice 30T, Matrice 4T, Matrice 4TD

Autel – EVO II 640T v3, EVO Max 4T

FLIR – AX8, B60, E40, T650

Skydio – X10

Interface



1. **Anomaly Type:** Specifies if anomalies above, below, or above and below the mean should be flagged.
2. **Anomaly Threshold:** The number of standard deviations a pixel must exceed to be considered anomalous
3. **Image Segments:** Divides the image into equally-sized segments so that the target pixel will be compared to a section of the image rather than the entire image.

Temperature Residual Anomaly

Released – July, 2026

Available On – Windows

Summary

The “Temperature Residual Anomaly” algorithm leverages radiometric data captured by thermal sensors and determines for each pixel whether its temperature is significantly warmer or cooler than its immediate local surroundings, rather than comparing it against the mean temperature of the entire image. The user can specify whether to detect warmer, cooler, or both types of residual anomalies and adjust sensitivity to control how aggressively local temperature differences are flagged. Any sufficiently sized contiguous areas of locally anomalous pixels are flagged as areas of interest in the jpg rendering of the thermal data.

Drones/Cameras Supported:

DJI – H20T, H30T, XT2, XTR, XTS, Mavic 2 Enterprise-Advanced, Mavic 3T, Mavic 3TD, Matrice 30T, Matrice 4T, Matrice 4TD
Autel – EVO II 640T v3, EVO Max 4T
FLIR – AX8, B60, E40, T650
Skydio – X10

Interface

Anomaly Type: Above or 1 w Mean v Sensitivity: 2 5

1. **Anomaly Type:** Specifies whether temperatures warmer than, cooler than, or different in either direction from the local background should be flagged.
2. **Sensitivity:** Controls how much a pixel's temperature must differ from its local background before it is considered anomalous, with higher sensitivity allowing smaller differences to be flagged.

Advanced Features

Histogram Normalization

Released – October, 2023

Available For – RGB Image Algorithms

Summary

Lighting conditions can have a dramatic impact on the representation of colors in an image which, in turn, means that color identification can be problematic with UAV photos when they are taken at different times of day or with variable cloud cover. Histogram normalization addresses this by “standardizing” the lighting conditions across a set of images so that they can be evaluated consistently.

The histogram normalization feature in ADIAT utilizes the `match_histograms` function in `scikit-image`.

Interface

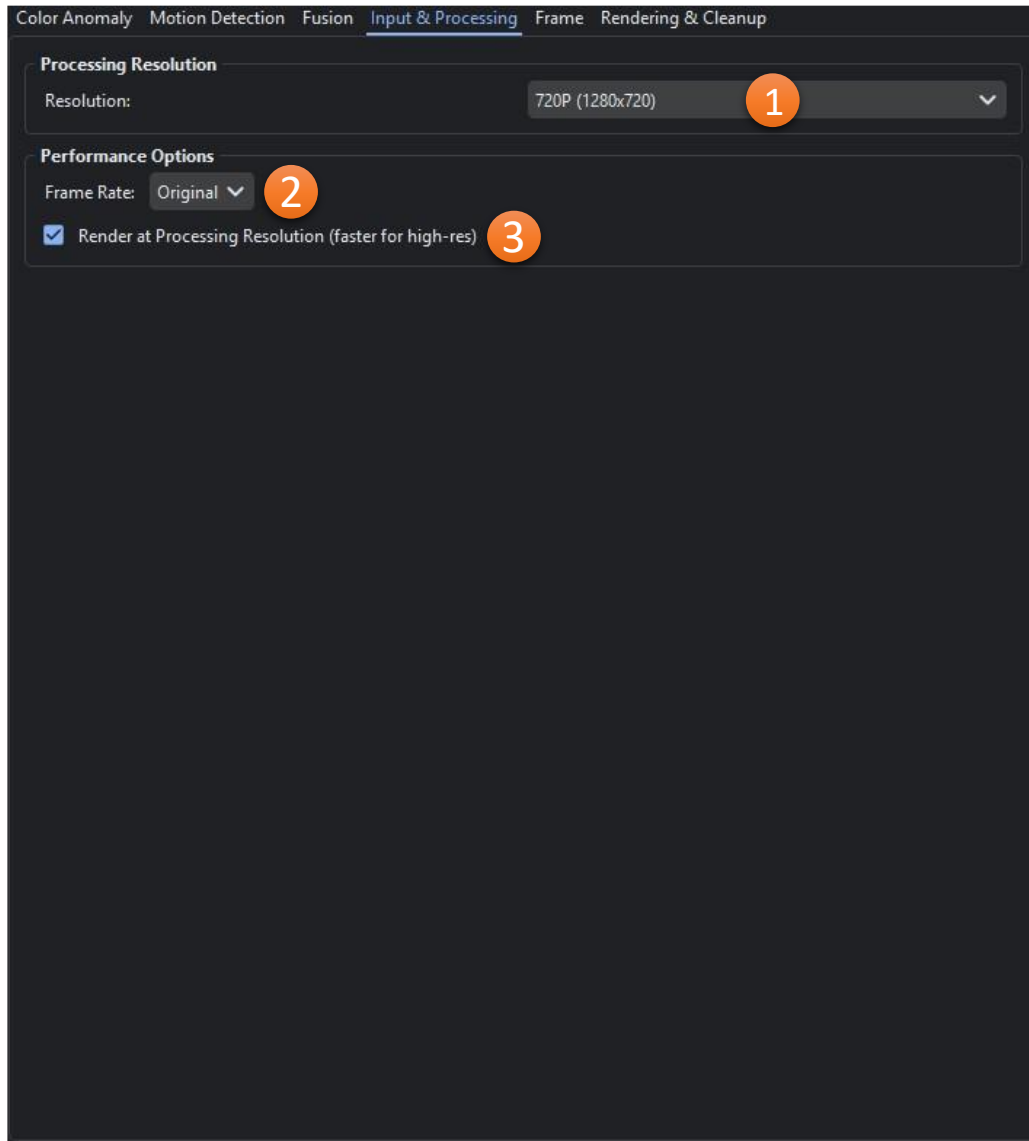
☒ Normalize Histograms Reference Image: C:/Users/charl/Pictures/drone/2023_08_30/1501_out/DJI_0021.JPG [Select](#)

1. **Reference Image:** The image that will be used as the baseline against which all other images will be normalized.

Streaming Algorithms

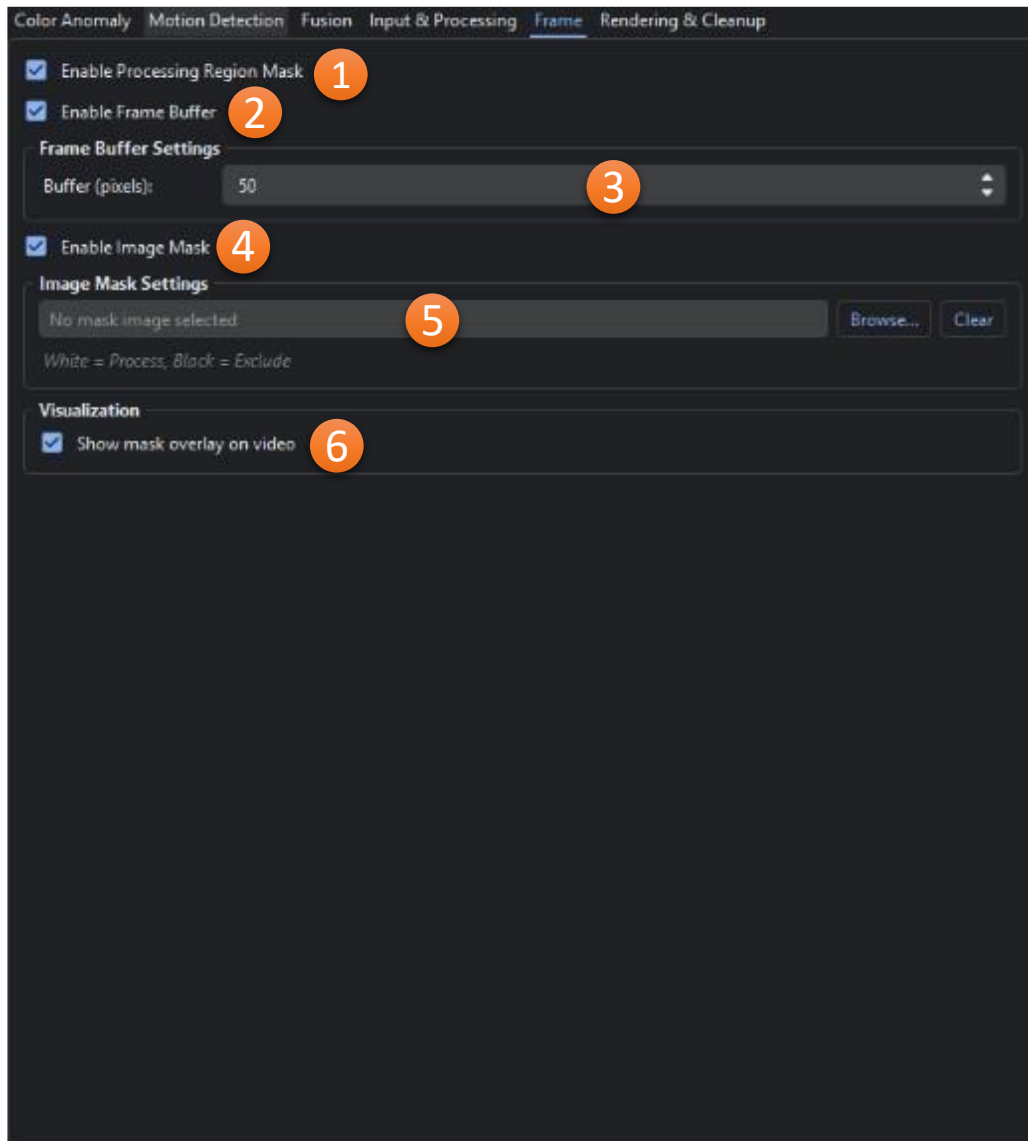
Common Settings Interfaces

Input Processing Settings



1. **Resolution:** The resolution the video will be resized to for processing.
2. **Frame Rate:** Limits the frame rate for processing
3. **Render at Processing Resolution (faster for high-res):** Renders detection overlays at processing resolution instead of original video resolution. Significantly faster for high-resolution videos (1080p+) with minimal visual impact. For example, processing at 720p but video is 4K - renders at 720p then upscales. Recommended: ON for high-res videos, OFF for native 720p or lower.

Frame Settings



1. **Enable Processing Region Mask:** Toggles the use of region masking
2. **Enable Frame Buffer:** Toggles the use of the frame exclusion buffer
3. **Buffer (pixels):** Number of pixels to exclude from all edges of the video
4. **Enable Image Mask:** Toggles the use of a custom image mask
5. **Image Mask File:** File to use for the image mask
6. **Show mask overlay on video:** Toggles whether the mask overlay is shown in the video player

Rendering & Cleanup Settings

The screenshot shows the 'Rendering & Cleanup' settings panel with the following elements and callouts:

- Shape Options:**
 - Shape Mode: Circle (1)
- Visual Options:**
 - Show Text Labels (slower) (2)
 - Show Contours (slowest) (3)
 - Use Detection Color (hue @ 100% sat/val for color anomalies) (4)
- Performance Limits:**
 - Max Detections: 10 (5)
- Temporal Voting:**
 - Enable Temporal Voting (reduce flicker) (6)
 - Window Frames (M): 5 (7)
 - Threshold (N of M): 3 (8)
- Detection Cleanup:**
 - Enable Aspect Ratio Filtering (9)
 - Min Ratio: 0.20 (10)
 - Max Ratio: 5.00 (11)
- Detection Clustering:**
 - Enable Detection Clustering (12)
 - Clustering Distance (px): 50 (13)

1. **Shape Mode:** What shape should be used to highlight the areas of interest
2. **Show Text Labels (slower):** Shows detection type, confidence, and area near each detection
3. **Show Contours (slowest):** Draws exact pixel-precise detection boundaries
4. **Use Detection Color (hue @ 100% sat/val for color anomalies):** Highlights the area of interest using the average color from the detection
5. **Max Detections:** Maximum number of detections to render on screen
6. **Enable Temporal Voting (reduce flicker):** Reduces flicker by requiring detections to appear consistently across multiple frames.
7. **Window Frames (M):** Size of the temporal window (frames) for persistence filtering.
8. **Threshold (N of M):** Number of frames (N) within the window (M) where detection must appear.
9. **Enable Aspect Ratio Filtering:** Filters detections based on width/height ratio.
10. **Min Ratio:** Minimum allowed width/height ratio.

11. **Max Ratio:** Maximum allowed width/height ratio.
12. **Enable Detection Clustering:** Merges nearby detections into a single detection.
13. **Clustering Distance (px):** Maximum distance (pixels) between detection centroids to merge them

Color Detection

Released – December, 2025

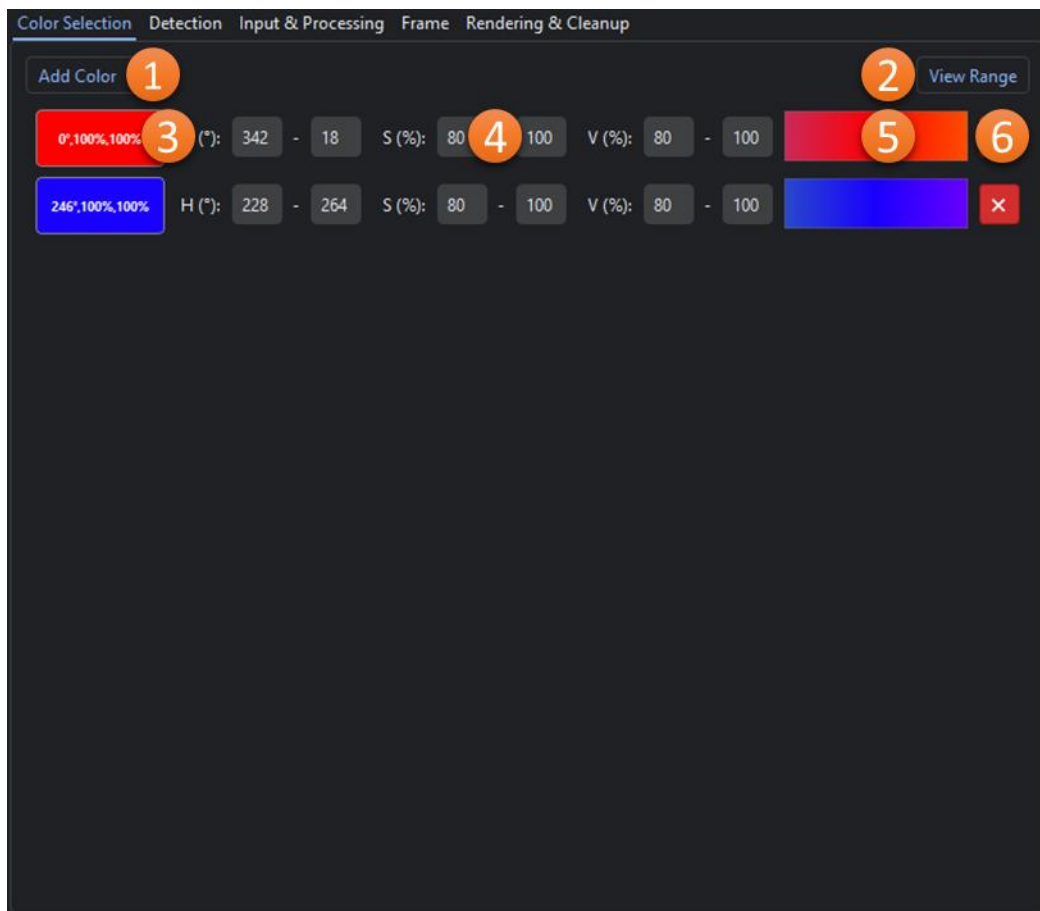
Available On – Windows, Mac

Summary

Targets specific colors in streaming video using user-defined HSV color ranges. Any sufficiently sized (defined by the user) areas where all pixels are within the selected color ranges are flagged as areas of interest in the streaming viewer. Multiple color ranges can be added via the shared color selection system (color range picker, image eye dropper, color list, or recently used color ranges).

Interface

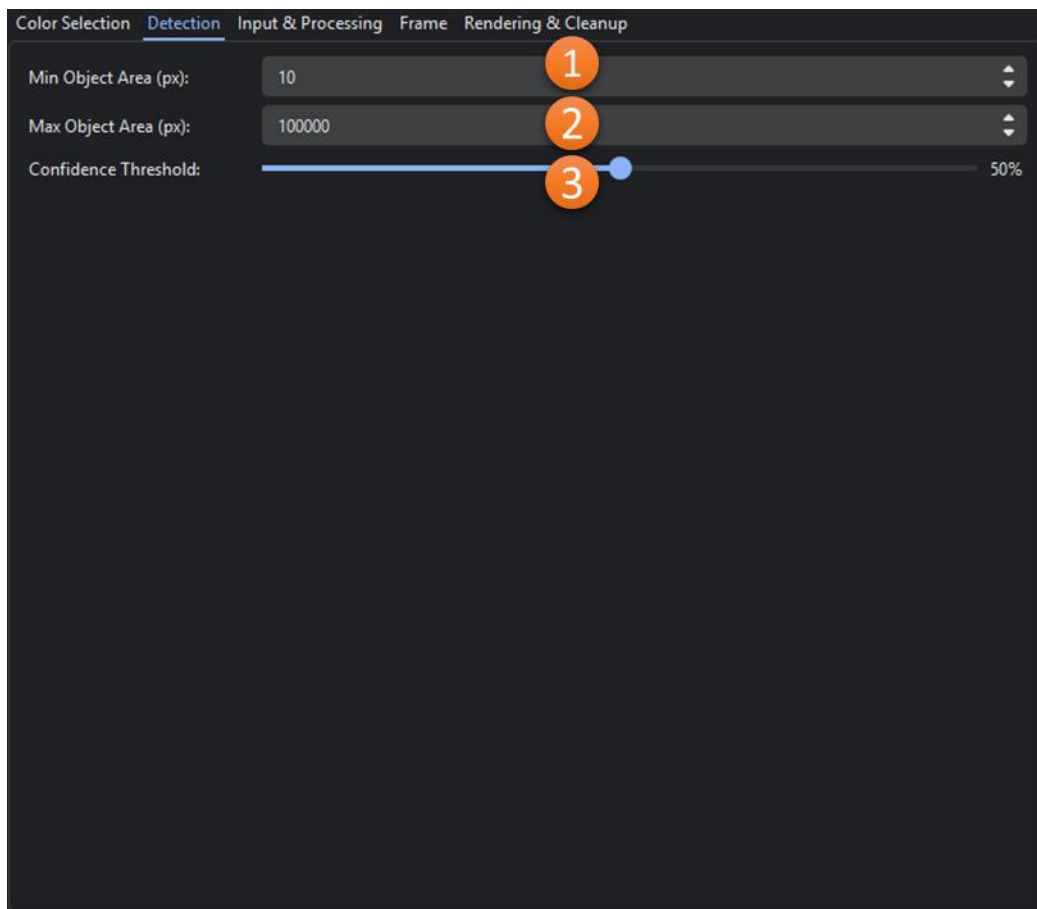
Color Selection Settings



1. **Add Color:** Dropdown menu for adding additional color ranges from an HSV color picker, image, list, or recently used colors.
2. **View Range*:** Shows the selected and unselected color range(s) in 3 color maps.
3. **Selected Color:** The base color that was selected for the range (click to edit).
4. **Channel Ranges:** The hue, saturation, and value ranges for the selected color. Since hue is represented as a circle in HSV, the range can wrap around 360/0. In the example above the orange range is centered around 20° but goes from 340° to 60°.
5. **Min-Max Range:** Gradient showing the range (max to min) based on the channel ranges.
6. **Remove:** Removes the color range

* The color range viewer is a one-dimensional representation of the three-dimensional selected color range. It is intended to be a guide and is not comprehensive.

Detection Settings



1. **Min Object Area (px):** The minimum size (area), in pixels, that an object must meet or exceed to be flagged as an area of interest.
2. **Max Object Area (px):** The maximum size (area), in pixels, that an object can be to be flagged as an area of interest.

3. **Confidence Threshold:** The average of size score $\min(\text{area} / \text{max_area}, 1.0)$ and shape score $(\text{contour area} / \text{convex hull area})$. Higher values indicate well-formed and larger detections. A lower threshold will return more results but will include “weaker” detections.

Color Anomaly & Motion Detection

Released – December, 2025

Available On – Windows, Mac

Summary

Targets color and motion anomalies either separately or together in streaming videos. The color anomaly detector utilizes color quantization, like [MRMap](#), to identify rare colors in the image. The motion detection uses any of 3 methods to identify objects in motion when the camera is stationary. The color and motion anomalies can be fused together if desired and any sufficiently sized anomalous (defined by the user) areas are flagged as areas of interest in the streaming viewer.

Interface

Color Anomaly Settings

The screenshot shows the 'Color Anomaly' settings panel. At the top, there are tabs: 'Color Anomaly', 'Motion Detection', 'Fusion', 'Input & Processing', 'Frame', and 'Rendering & Cleanup'. The 'Color Anomaly' tab is active. Below the tabs, there is a checkbox labeled 'Enable Color-Based Anomaly Detection' (1). Under 'Color Rarity Settings', there are two sliders: 'Color Resolution (bins):' (2) set to 4 bits and 'Rarity Threshold (% of colors):' (3) set to 30%. Below these are two input fields: 'Min Object Area (px):' (4) set to 15 and 'Max Object Area (px):' set to 50000. Below these is a dropdown menu for 'Blob Detection Method:' (5) set to 'Find Contours'. Under 'Color Space (Lighting Invariance)', there is a dropdown menu for 'Color Space:' (6) set to 'RGB'. Under 'Color Match Expansion', there is a checkbox 'Allow Similar Colors (Hue Expansion)' (7) and a slider for 'Color Match Range:' (8) set to ± 5 ($\sim 10^\circ$). Under 'Color Exclusion', there is a checkbox 'Enable Color Exclusion' (9). Below this checkbox is a text instruction: 'Click on color wheel to exclude colors (20° steps, 0-360°):'. At the bottom is a color wheel (10) with 20 segments, each representing a 20-degree range of colors.

1. **Enable Color-Based Anomaly Detection:** Toggles whether color-based anomalies should be identified.
2. **Color Resolution (bins):** Sets the number of bins/bits for quantization. Each color channel starts as 8 bits.
3. **Rarity Threshold:** Threshold for non-empty bins to not be considered anomalous. Lower number will result in more detections and higher number will be more selective.
4. **Min/Max Object Area(px):** The minimum and maximum areas allowed for areas of interest
5. **Blob Detection Method:** Method for extracting blob regions from detections
6. **Color Space:** Which color space (RGB, HSV, or LAB) should be used for detection.

7. **Allow Similar Colors (Hue Expansion):** Toggles the usage of hue expansion with color anomaly detection
8. **Color Match Range:** Effectively acts as color range detector. The average hue of detected color anomalies is used as a base color and the range is set here. Any areas of the frame that are a match, and within the min/max object area constraints, are highlighted.
9. **Enable Color Exclusion:** Toggles the exclusion of anomalies based on average hue.
10. **Color Exclusion Wheel:** Each section in the wheel represents a 20° arc of hues. When one or more sections are enabled, any color anomalies with an average hue in those section(s) are ignored.

Motion Detection Settings

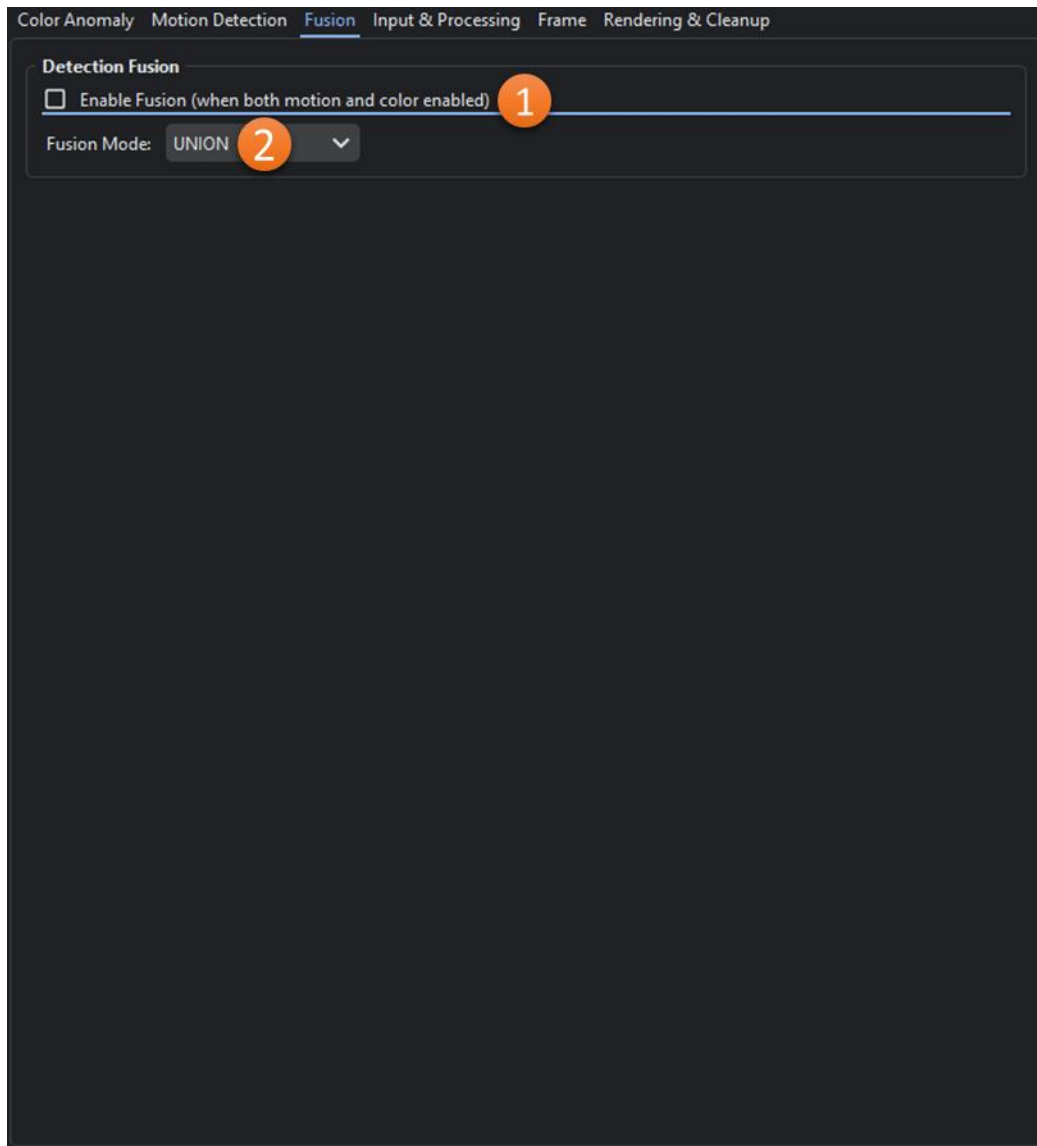
The screenshot shows the 'Motion Detection' settings panel. It features a dark theme with orange accents. The settings are organized into sections, each with a title and a list of controls. The controls include checkboxes, sliders, and input fields. The settings are numbered 1 through 13 as follows:

- 1. **Enable Motion Detection:** A checkbox at the top of the panel.
- 2. **Min Object Area (px):** An input field with a value of 5.
- 3. **Max Object Area (px):** An input field with a value of 1000.
- 4. **Pause on Camera Movement:** A checkbox that is checked.
- 5. **Threshold:** A slider control with a value of 15%.
- 6. **Show Advanced Motion Settings:** A checkbox that is checked.
- 7. **Algorithm Type:** A dropdown menu showing 'MOG2'.
- 8. **Motion Threshold:** An input field with a value of 10.
- 9. **Blur Kernel (odd):** An input field with a value of 5.
- 10. **Morphology Kernel:** An input field with a value of 3.
- 11. **Window Frames (M):** An input field with a value of 3.
- 12. **Threshold (N of M):** An input field with a value of 2.
- 13. **Background Subtraction (MOG2/KNN):** A section containing:
 - History Frames:** An input field with a value of 50.
 - Variance Threshold:** An input field with a value of 10.00.
 - Detect Shadows (slower):** A checkbox that is unchecked.

1. **Enable Motion Detection:** Toggles whether motion-based anomalies should be identified.
2. **Min/Max Object Area(px):** The minimum and maximum areas allowed for areas of interest

3. **Pause on Camera Movement:** When enabled, pauses detection when camera movement is detected.
4. **Camera Movement Threshold:** Percentage of frame pixels that must change to trigger a camera movement pause.
5. **Algorithm Type:** Which type of motion detector should be used.
MOG2 (Gaussian Mixture Model): Good for static cameras, adapts to gradual lighting changes.
KNN (K-Nearest Neighbors): Alternative for busy scenes.
FRAME_DIFF: Simple frame differencing (baseline).
6. **Motion Threshold:** Minimum pixel intensity change (0-255) to consider motion.
7. **Blur Kernel (odd):** Used for smoothing
8. **Morphology Kernel:** Used for noise cleanup
9. **Window Frames (M):** Size of the temporal window (frames) for persistence filtering.
10. **Threshold (N of M):** Number of frames (N) within the window (M) where motion must appear.
11. **History Frames:** Number of frames used to learn the background model.
12. **Variance Threshold:** Threshold for background/foreground classification in MOG2
13. **Detect Shadows:** When enabled shadows are filtered out.

Fusion Settings



1. **Enable Fusion (when both motion and color enabled):** Toggles whether fusion should be used for color and motion anomalies
2. **Fusion Mode:** How motion and color detections are combined
 - UNION - Returns all detections from both sources. Overlapping detections (Intersection over Union(IoU) > 0.3) are merged into one
 - INTERSECTION - Only keeps detections that appear in both motion and color (IoU > 0.3).
 - COLOR_PRIORITY - Starts with all color detections, adds motion detections that don't overlap with color.
 - MOTION_PRIORITY - Starts with all motion detections, adds color detections that don't overlap with motion.

AI Person Detector

Released – July, 2026

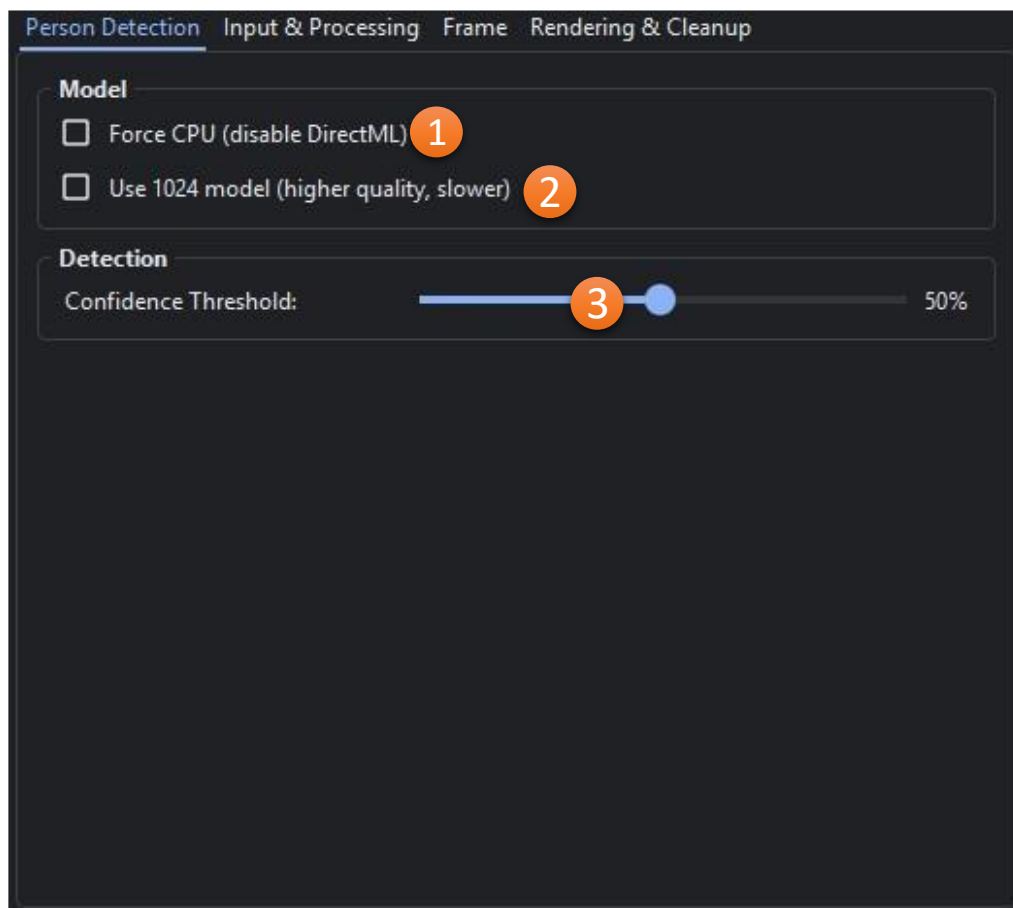
Available On – Windows, Mac

Summary

This algorithm leverages an ONNX-based YOLO object detection model specifically trained to identify people in aerial imagery and applies it continuously to incoming video frames. Frames are processed using aspect-preserving inference, with tiled processing on large frames when needed to preserve small or distant targets. Any detections that meet or exceed the user-defined confidence threshold are flagged as areas of interest in the streaming viewer.

Interface

Detection Settings



1. **Force CPU:** Runs person detection on the CPU instead of using DirectML/GPU acceleration (Windows only); this may improve compatibility but is usually slower.

2. **Use 1024 model:** Uses the higher-resolution 1024 ONNX model instead of the default 640 model, improving detection quality for small or distant people at the cost of slower processing.
3. **Confidence Threshold:** The minimum confidence score the model must assign before a detected object is flagged as a person.

Application Release Notes

Version	Release Date	Updates
2.1	July, 2026	Image Analysis • New Temperature Residual Anomaly thermal algorithm finds targets that stand out from their <i>local</i> surroundings rather than a whole-image average. • MRMap now highlights the true anomaly shape instead of a filled box. • Person Size Reference tool provides a true-to-scale, perspective-correct human silhouette to judge whether a detection could be a person. • Grid Mode walks you through each image cell-by-cell at a constant zoom, marking cells reviewed and saving progress per image — a systematic sweep to catch subjects the algorithms miss, like people in natural-tone clothing. • Shadow-based height estimation measures an object's height from its shadow and the sun's position. • Align Image tool pins a photo to satellite imagery when drone metadata is unreliable, so detections still get accurate locations. • Color Histogram (hue isolation) and Thermal Histogram (temperature-band isolation) to hunt for a specific color or heat signature. • Detection-density heatmap plus color and image-mask filters to cut recurring false positives. • Terrain/DEM elevation support for terrain-corrected AOI GPS coordinates, a terrain-aware field-of-view box on the map, and right-click-to-navigate. • Canopy-aware Probability of Detection factors tree and vegetation cover into the coverage map, so foliage-obscured ground reads as lower-confidence — and it reports how much of the searched area sat under canopy. Real-Time Analysis • AI Person Detector added as a live streaming algorithm. • Automatically scans for HDMI/USB capture devices and lets the user select one instead of entering a device number. • Live recording statistics (recording FPS, frames written, queue depth). • Adjustable processing frame rate on the fly, with reduced live-feed lag. • Consistent controls and detection rendering across all streaming algorithms. General Improvements • AI detection has been fully retrained on a larger dataset. • Batch processing analyzes every subfolder as its own run with progress ETAs and resume, a headless command-line

		mode for scripted/overnight jobs, and automatic Search Coordinator projects. • In-app update checks with one-click download and install. • Multi-language support: English, Italian, Spanish, and Dutch. • New flight-log/metadata import: Skydio X10 CSV, Wingtra CSV, and a WALDO airframe pre-pass; bundled drone/camera reference data moved to auto-updating CSV. • Improved exports, including a PDF overview-map tile choice (street vs. satellite).
2.0	December, 2025	Real-Time Streaming Analysis • Streaming video feeds from files, RTMP, and HDMI capture • Streaming Setup Guide walks users through setup step-by-step. • Color Detection algorithm targets color ranges selected by the user in the HSV color space • Color anomaly and motion detection algorithms highlight areas of interest without a specific color target. Image Analysis • Image Analysis Setup Guide walks users through setup step-by-step. • All color detection algorithms (Color Range, Color Range HSV, and Matched Filter) now support searching for multiple color ranges at the same time. • All color detection algorithms have additional color selection tools including a new, more intuitive, color range selector for HSV, eye dropper tools to select a color from an image, and a curated list of common colors for users to select from. • RX Anomaly detector was updated to use the LAB color space for better anomaly detection. • The underlying library used for AI detection has been switched to one that is MUCH easier for end users to be able to use (no more external dependencies that need to be installed and configured). • The AI Person Detector model has been fully retrained with a larger training data set. Main Image Viewer • Gallery mode to see the Areas of Interest (AOIs) across all images • Map view to see images and the AOIs in context • Magnifier, Image Orientation, Image Adjustment, and ruler tools to quickly dive deeper into images • Additional AOI creation, sorting, filtering as well as the ability to flag and comment on individual AOIs • AOI estimated location calculations based on camera altitude and orientation

		- Significant improvements to all exports and addition of integration into CalTopo to quickly export map images, coverage, and areas of interest Thermal & GPS Improvements Thermal, temperature, and mapping support is significantly stronger: - Improved DJI / Autel / FLIR temperature handling - Thermal anomaly wizard enhancements - Compass roses, bearing calculators, and combined map export
1.6	July, 2025	- Added AI Person Detector Algorithm - Added HSV version of Color Range Algorithm - Added scale and drone orientation elements to viewer - Updated logic for calculating object area
1.5	February, 2025	- Added MRMap Algorithm for RGB images - Added PDF Report Generator and Zip Bundle generators to Viewer - Added Max Object Size parameter
1.4	November, 2024	Added thumbnail navigation and show/hide functionality in Viewer
1.3	August, 2024	- Added support for thermal images with temperature range and temperature anomaly algorithms - Added video parser capability - Overall performance improvements
1.2	October, 2023	- Added K-Means Clustering and Histogram Normalization features as well as Matched Filter algorithm. - Performance and detection improvements - Completed major refactoring and modernization of the codebase
1.1	May 30, 2019	First public release including core platform with Color Detection and RX Anomaly algorithms.