Firefly feature requests

Aimed primarily at science raft laboratory images taken at test stands

Based on ~9 years working with LSST prototype sensor lab images

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priority feature DS9-like features

1 continuous coordinate and ADU readout under mouse pointer

Firefly can do this and pass the result to JS for display.

We need to design the screen layout, where this info, and other analysis results should be displayed.

When zoomed out, FF does not merge pixels, it displays a random pixel

1 mosaic display of multi-extesion FITS files with/without overscan displayed

In the short term, the server Python code will have to do this work:

Reading the multiple extensions and creating a pixel array that FF can handle (with or w/o overscan).

1 magnifier and full image thumbnail windows

FF does this.

1 scroll-wheel zoom

FF is not going to do this

3 standard, selectable zoom levels

FF does this

1 middle-mouse pan

FF does panning by dragging

2 rotate and reflect

FF does this with Rotate and Flip commands

3 display pixel table

FF does not do this. It gives dynamic readout.

1 scale contrast to max/min of pixels in region

We don't understand what it is

1 contrast scale segment-by-segment

Unless I'm confused, this probably needs to be done on the server.

2 zscale' mapping (see e.g. https://wcs2kml.googlecode.com/svn-history/r25/trunk/python/fitsimage.py)

FF supports zscale stretch

2 asinh, sinh, log scaling

FF supports log stretch

2 import regions files with circle/box display

FF supports ds9 regions

1 multi-frame functionality: coordinate and scale locking, blinking,

FF supports multiple images in Expanded View. You can WCS align and blink them in single image view with Auto Play.

2 user-controlled tiling

What control is wanted?

2 annotation

FF supports markers (circle with label), you can save them. More work is beeing done on it for other projects.

2 colormap options

FF supports all ds9 color maps and legacy Spitzer maps. They will be revamped as none of them are good enough.

IRAF/imexamine functionality:

vi-like keystroke commands tied to mouse pointing (see e.g.

1 https://www.noao.edu/kpno/manuals/ice/node31.html)

FF does not support it

2 pop-up graphics windows

FF Expanded View is a pop-up.

1 select region, display statistics, display histogram with mean and sd

FF does allow selecting region and displaying statistics, histogram can be added later

aperture photometry -- define aperture, point at source, get background-subtracted counts, get radial

- 2 profile with fit, fit Gaussian
- 2 averaged row/column traces with limits
- 3 3D surface/lego, contour map display
- 1 image math (sum, difference, quotient of 2 or more images) and display of result

We need to make a list of desired window/display types, and desired parameters and user interactions. All above can be done on the server. FF does not do it as of now.

General features:

1 configuration file for defaults

Fits visualization parameters define the default configuration.

1 standalone operation

What does this mean?

2 support for linux and windows

FF should be working in IE, Chrome, and Firefox on Windows. Recently introduced bugs, which affect IE and Chrome display on Windows, will be fixed.