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        extract_region
function region_img = extract_region(input_im,N,region_matrix,region_ID)

    % This function takes in an input image, and returns the portion of the image that
    % contains the feature identified by the region_ID

    im_size = size(input_im);
    num_rows = im_size(1);
    num_cols = im_size(2);
    row_length = floor(num_rows/N);
    col_length = floor(num_cols/N);

    [rows cols] = find(region_matrix == region_ID);
    top_row = min(rows) - 1;
    bottom_row = max(rows);
    left_col = min(cols) - 1;
    right_col = max(cols);

    for i = 0 : N - 1

        for j = 0 : N - 1

            if(region_matrix(i + 1, j + 1) == region_ID)

                alpha = 1;

            else

                alpha = 0;

            endif

            temp_im = input_im(1 + i*row_length : (i+1)*row_length, 1 + j*col_length :
(j+1)*col_length, 1 : 3);
            input_im(1 + i*row_length : (i+1)*row_length, 1 + j*col_length :
(j+1)*col_length, 1 : 3) = alpha*temp_im;

        endfor

    endfor

    region_img = input_im(1 + top_row*row_length : bottom_row*row_length, 1 +
left_col*col_length : right_col*col_length, 1 : 3);

endfunction

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