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Vision Properties and Results Reference

Overview

This reference manual explains all Vision Guide sequence, object, and calibration properties and results, and all Vision Guide SPEL+ commands. For more information on how to use Vision Guide, refer to the *Vision Guide* manual.

Application

This manual applies to the following versions of the products.

EPSON RC+ 7.0 Ver. 7.1.4 or later

CV1 / CV2 firmware Ver. 2.3.1.0 or later

Vision Properties and Results Format Description

All Vision Guide properties and results are listed in the pages that follow. An explanation of the headings for the property and result reference pages is given below:

Applies To	<p>If the property or result is used with vision objects, then this section simply lists the vision objects for which this property applies. (Ex. Blob, Correlation, Polar...)</p> <p>If the property or result is used with vision sequences then the words Vision Sequence will appear in this section.</p> <p>If the property or result is used with vision calibration then the words Vision Calibration will appear in this section.</p>
Description	A simple description is given for each property or result. This section is normally very short for simplicity.
Usage	The Usage Section describes how to access the property or result from the SPEL ⁺ Language.
Values	Describes the range of acceptable values which the property can be set to or which the result will return. A default value is also shown for those properties that have a default.
Remarks	Explains more details than the Description Section. This section is normally used to describe any caveats or special information that may apply to the specific property or result. (It is highly recommended to read the Remarks Section for each property prior to its usage.)
See Also	Gives a list of related properties, results, vision objects and other topics that may prove useful to review.
Runtime only	This is displayed under the property or result name when it applies. Runtime only properties and results cannot be accessed from the Vision Guide GUI. They can only be accessed from the SPEL+ language or from RC+ API .

Vision Constants

Following constants are provided for Vision Guide 7.0.

Constants are used at program creation as needed.

Tip

Although values can be specified directly instead of using constant names, it is recommended to use the constant names for programs.

Constant Name	Value	Application
VISION_ACQUIRE_NONE	0	RuntimeAcquire property
VISION_ACQUIRE_STATIONARY	1	
VISION_ACQUIRE_STROBED	2	
VISION_ARCSEARCHTYPE_CIRCLE	0	ArcSearchType property
VISION_ARCSEARCHTYPE_ELLIPSE	1	
VISION_BACKCOLOR_BLACK	1	BackColor property
VISION_BACKCOLOR_NONE	0	
VISION_BACKCOLOR_WHITE	2	
VISION_CALIBPLATE_L	1	VDefLocal statement
VISION_CALIBPLATE_M	2	
VISION_CALIBPLATE_S	3	
VISION_CALIBPLATE_XS	4	
VISION_CAMORIENT_FIXEDDOWN	2	CameraOrientation property
VISION_CAMORIENT_FIXEDUP	3	
VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ2	4	
VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ4	5	
VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ5	6	
VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ6	7	
VISION_CAMORIENT_STANDALONE	1	
VISION_CODETYPE_AUTO	0	CodeType property
VISION_CODETYPE_CODABAR	6	
VISION_CODETYPE_CODE39	3	
VISION_CODETYPE_CODE128	5	
VISION_CODETYPE_DATAMATRIX	1	
VISION_CODETYPE_EAN8	13	
VISION_CODETYPE_EAN13	2	
VISION_CODETYPE_INTERLEAVED25	4	
VISION_CODETYPE_PDF417	8	
VISION_CODETYPE_QR	10	
VISION_CODETYPE_UPC	20	
VISION_CODETYPE_UPCA	18	
VISION_CODETYPE_UPCE	19	
VISION_DEFARM_J2CAM	1	VDefArm statement
VISION_DEFARM_MODE_ROUGH	1	VDefArm statement
VISION_DEFARM_MODE_FINE	2	
VISION_DEFLOCAL_J5CAM	1	VDefLocal statement
VISION_DEFLOCAL_J6CAM	2	
VISION_DEFLOCAL_UPCAM	3	
VISION_DEFLOCAL_DOWNCAM	4	
VISION_DEFTOOL_J4CAM	1	VDefTool statement
VISION_DEFTOOL_J6CAM	2	
VISION_DEFTOOL_FIXEDNOCAL	3	
VISION_DETAILLEVEL_HIGH	2	DetailLevel property
VISION_DETAILLEVEL_MEDIUM	1	
VISION_DETAILLEVEL_VERYHIGH	3	
VISION_EDGEType_SINGLE	1	EdgeType property
VISION_EDGEType_PAIR	2	
VISION_GRAPHICS_ALL	1	Graphics property
VISION_GRAPHICS_NONE	3	
VISION_GRAPHICS_POSONLY	2	

Constant Name	Value	Application
VISION_GRIDTYPE_CROSSHAIR	1	GridType property
VISION_GRIDTYPE_RECTANGLE	2	
VISION_GRIDUNITS_PIXEL	1	GridUnits property
VISION_GRIDUNITS_MM	2	
VISION_IMAGECOLOR_ALL	1	ImageColor property
VISION_IMAGECOLOR_BLUE	4	
VISION_IMAGECOLOR_GRAYSCALE	5	
VISION_IMAGECOLOR_GREEN	3	
VISION_IMAGECOLOR_RED	2	
VISION_IMAGESIZE_320X240	1	ImageSize property
VISION_IMAGESIZE_640X480	2	
VISION_IMAGESIZE_800X600	3	
VISION_IMAGESIZE_1024X768	4	
VISION_IMAGESIZE_1280X1024	5	
VISION_IMAGESIZE_1600X1200	6	
VISION_IMAGESIZE_2048X1536	7	
VISION_IMAGESIZE_2560X1920	8	
VISION_IMAGESOURCE_CAMERA	1	ImageSource property
VISION_IMAGESOURCE_FILE	2	
VISION_OPERATION_BINARIZE	16	Operation property
VISION_OPERATION_CLOSE	2	
VISION_OPERATION_COLORFILTER	21	
VISION_OPERATION_OPEN	1	
VISION_OPERATION_DETECTFOCUS	26	
VISION_OPERATION_DILATE	4	
VISION_OPERATION_EDGEDETECT1	10	
VISION_OPERATION_EDGEDETECT2	11	
VISION_OPERATION_ERODE	3	
VISION_OPERATION_FLIPBOTH	20	
VISION_OPERATION_FLIPHORIZ	18	
VISION_OPERATION_FLIPVERT	19	
VISION_OPERATION_HORIZEDGE	8	
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VISION_OPERATION_LAPLACE2	13	
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VISION_OPERATION_THICKEN	15	
VISION_OPERATION_THIN	14	
VISION_OPERATION_VERTEDGE	9	
VISION_OPERATION_ZOOM	23	
VISION_OPERATION_COLORSTRETCH	24	
VISION_ORIENT_BOTH	1	Orientation property
VISION_ORIENT_HORIZ	2	
VISION_ORIENT_VERT	3	
VISION_PASSTYPE_SOMEFOUND	1	PassType property
VISION_PASSTYPE_ALLFOUND	2	
VISION_PASSTYPE_SOMENOTFOUND	3	
VISION_PASSTYPE_ALLNOTFOUND	4	
VISION_POINTTYPE_ENDPOINT	1	PointType property
VISION_POINTTYPE_MIDPOINT	2	
VISION_POINTTYPE_PERPTOENDPOINT	7	
VISION_POINTTYPE_PERPTOLINE	3	
VISION_POINTTYPE_PERPTOMIDPOINT	6	
VISION_POINTTYPE_PERPTOSTARTPOINT	5	
VISION_POINTTYPE_POINT	0	
VISION_POINTTYPE_STARTPOINT	4	

Vision Constants

Constant Name	Value	Application
VISION_POLARITY_DARK	1	Polarity property
VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT	2	
VISION_REFTYPE_TAUGHTPOINTS	1	ReferenceType property
VISION_REFTYPE_UPWARDCAMERA	2	
VISION_SIZETOFind_ANY	0	SizeToFind property
VISION_SIZETOFind_SMALLEST	2	
VISION_SIZETOFind_LARGEST	1	
VISION_SORT_CAMERAX	4	Sort property
VISION_SORT_CAMERAY	5	
VISION_SORT_CAMERAXY	6	
VISION_SORT_NONE	0	
VISION_SORT_PIXELX	1	
VISION_SORT_PIXELY	2	
VISION_SORT_PIXELXY	3	
VISION_SORT_ROBOTX	7	
VISION_SORT_ROBOTY	8	
VISION_SORT_ROBOTXY	9	
VISION_TRIGGERMODE_LEADINGEDGE	1	TriggerMode property
VISION_TRIGGERMODE_TRAILINGEDGE	2	
VISION_THRESHCOLOR_BLACK	1	ThresholdColor property
VISION_THRESHCOLOR_WHITE	2	
VISION_WINTYPE_RECTANGLE	1	ModelWinType property
VISION_WINTYPE_ROTATEDRECT	2	SearchWinType property
VISION_WINTYPE_CIRCLE	3	

AbortSeqOnFail Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: All

Description

Allows the user to specify that if an object fails (i.e. is not passed), then the entire sequence is aborted at that point and no further objects are processed.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AbortSeqOnFail*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AbortSeqOnFail*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

False Does not cause the sequence to abort when the object is not found.

True Causes the sequence to abort when the object is not found.

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

Use AbortSeqOnFail when you no longer want a sequence to continue if an object is not passed.

See Also

Blob Object, ColorMatch Object, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Frame Object, Geometric Object, Line Object, Point Object, CodeReader Object, OCR Object, Polar Object, LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object, DefectFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab

Accept Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, ColorMatch, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, LineFinder, LineInspector, Polar

Description

The Accept property specifies the score that a feature must equal or exceed to be considered found.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Accept*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Accept*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number from 1 - 999

Default: 700 – ColorMatch, Correlation, Geometric, Polar

100 – Edge, ArcFinder, LineFinder, ArcInspector, LineInspector

Remarks

The Accept property also affects the searching speed in a given area of the Region of Interest. When the Accept property is high, a target feature must be very similar to the registered model. Therefore, many regions can be ruled out by a cursory search and not pursued further. However, if the Accept property is low, target features that are only slightly similar to the registered model may exceed the Accept property, so that a detailed search of more regions in the scene is needed. Thus, raising the Accept property tends to reduce the time required for searches.

If the specified value is small, it may result in false detection.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, Confusion Property, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Geometric Object, Polar Object, Score Result, ArcFinder Object, LineFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab,

AcquireState Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

The AcquireState result is used to determine if a picture has been taken for a sequence after the external trigger becomes active.

To use the external trigger (strobe), set RuntimeAcquire property of the sequence to Strobed.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.AcquireState*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

- | | |
|---|-----------------------------|
| 0 | Picture has not been taken. |
| 3 | Image has been acquired. |

Remarks

After calling VRun for a sequence to use the external trigger (strobe), the SPEL⁺ program can wait for the external trigger input becomes active (strobe flashes) and the AcquireState to become 3 before further vision processing can continue. If the program does not wait for AcquireState to become 3, then executing vision commands for the same sequence will wait automatically for AcquireState to become 3 before executing.

See Also

Object Tab, RunTimeAcquire Property

AllFound Result

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

The AllFound result returns whether or not all objects within the specified sequence were found.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.AllFound*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

0 – False One of the objects within the sequence was not found.

1 – True All objects within the sequence were found.

Remarks

The AllFound result is used to determine that all objects within a specified sequence are found. This result only applies to sequences.

See Also

AllPassed Result, Found Result, Passed Result, Sequence Tab, Time Result, Vision Sequences

AllPassed Result

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Returns whether all objects of the specified sequence are passed or not.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.AllPassed*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

0 – False One or more of the objects within the sequence did not pass.

1 – True All objects within the sequence were passed.

Remarks

The AllPassed result is used to determine that all objects within a specified sequence are passed. This result only applies to sequences.

See Also

AllFound Result, Passed Result, Found Result, Time Result, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequence

AllRobotXYU Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, Point, Polar, DefectFinder, LineInspector

Description

Stores all of the found RobotX, RobotY and RobotU position coordinates of the found part's position with respect to the robot coordinate system into a WorkQue.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AllRobotXYU, workQueID*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

workQueID Integer expression representing the ID for the workQue that will receive the data.

Remarks

The AllRobotXYU result stores all of the found positions in the robot coordinate system into the specified WorkQue.

It should be noted that the AllRobotXYU result can be only used for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then the RobotXYU result cause an error to occur.

See Also

Blob Object, CameraX Result, CameraY Result, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge, Found Result, Geometric Object, PixelXYU Result, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotUOffset Property, RobotX Result, RobotY Result, RobotU Result

Angle Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Frame, Geometric, Line, LineFinder, Polar, CodeReader

Description

Returns the angle of the found object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Angle*[(result)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in degrees

Blob : -90 to 90 degrees

Others : 0 to 360 degrees

Remarks

The Angle result returns the found part's angle in the image coordinate system. In some cases, you may want to use a Polar object to determine angle because it can be faster and more accurate.

Statistics

For the Angle result, the following results can be acquired by statistics:

AngleMax, AngleMean, AngleMin, AngleRange, AngleStdDev.

Refer to *Statistics* in the *Vision Guide* manual for details on how to use statistics.

See Also

AngleEnable Property, AngleMaxIncrement Property, AngleOffset Property, AngleTolerance Property, Blob Object, Correlation Object, Frame Object, Geometric Object, Line Object, NumberFound Result, NumberToFind Property, Polar Object, RobotU Result, LineFinder Object, DefectFinder Object, CodeReader Object, Object Tab

Angle1 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder

Description

Returns a starting point angle of the circular object found by ArcFinder Object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Angle1*[(result)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number representing the starting point angle of the found circular object.

Remarks

Angle1 Result returns the starting point angle of the found circular object in the image coordinate system.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, Angle2 Result

Angle2 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder

Description

Returns the end angle of the circular object found by an ArcFinder Object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Angle2*[(result)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number representing the ending point angle of the found circular object.

Remarks

Angle2 Result returns the end angle of the circular object found by an ArcFinder Object in image coordinate system.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, Angle1Result

AngleAccuracy Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation

Description

Specifies the angle detection accuracy of a correlation search. (Specify the angle detection accuracy in angle.)

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AngleAccuracy, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AngleAccuracy, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real number in degrees from 0.1 – 10

Default: 1

Remarks

The AngleAccuracy property is used at model training time and not at run-time. This value specifies the desired accuracy for angle search.

The Correlation model must be taught after a new value for the AngleAccuracy property is set in order for the new setting to become effective. If you teach a Correlation Model, then later set the AngleAccuracy property to a new value, and then try to run that Correlation object, it will not search with the new angle accuracy. You must re-teach the Correlation Model with the AngleEnable property set to 1–True, and with the new value for the AngleAccuracy property in order for Correlation search with angle to use the new AngleAccuracy property value.

See Also

AngleMaxIncrement Property, AngleRange Property, Angle Result, Correlation Object, Object Tab

AngleEnable Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

Specifies whether or not a correlation or geometric object will search for rotation of a feature.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AngleEnable, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AngleEnable, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not search for rotation.

1 – True Search for rotation.

Default: Correlation: 0 – False, Geometric: 1-True

Remarks

The AngleRange and AngleMaxIncrement properties will not be used with the correlation or geometric search object if the AngleEnable property is set to 0–False.

It should be noted that while correlation with angle is normally able to find rotated parts, the correlation search time usually increase significantly. This is why correlation with angle is most useful for finding parts which rotate slightly. On the other hand, Geometric search is suitable for a pattern search which includes large rotation detection. If it is predictable that the parts have a large rotation angle, consider to use Geometric search.

Also, the Polar object is normally very fast and can be used in conjunction with the Correlation object for a powerful and fast combination. (See the sections on Correlation or Polar Searching for more information.)

The Correlation Model must be taught after the AngleEnable property is set to 1–True. If you teach a Correlation Model, then set the AngleEnable property to 1–True, and then try to run that Correlation object, it will not search with angle. You must re-teach the Correlation Model with the AngleEnable property set to 1–True in order for Correlation search with angle to work properly. You must also have the proper settings for the AngleMaxIncrement and AngleRange Properties prior to teaching the new Model as well.

See Also

AngleMaxIncrement Property, AngleRange Property, Angle Result, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab

AngleEnd Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector

Description

Sets the end angle of the range in which ArcFinder finds circular objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AngleEnd* , *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AngleEnd* , *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

AngleStart + 10 to 360 (degree)

Default: 10

Remarks

Specifies a range in which ArcFinder finds circular objects or ArcInspector inspects circular objects. The range should be between AngleStart and AngleEnd.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, AngleStart Property, Object Tab

AngleMaxIncrement Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation

Description

The AngleMaxIncrement property specifies the maximum angle increment amount for teaching a correlation model for searching with angle. When teaching a model, the system selects the angle increment amount automatically. By setting the AngleMaxIncrement property, the system compares the automatically-selected angle increment amount and the setting value. Then, the smaller amount will be used.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AngleMaxIncrement, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AngleMaxIncrement, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real number in degrees from 1 - 45

Default: 5

Remarks

Before reading anything else about the AngleMaxIncrement property it should be noted that the Correlation Model must be taught after a new value for the AngleMaxIncrement property is set in order for those settings to become effective. If you try to find the Correlation objects by changing the AngleMaxIncrement property to a new value after teaching a Correlation Model, it will not search with the new angle increment. You must re-teach the Correlation Model when you change the AngleMaxIncrement property.

If you wish to measure angle precisely, you should provide a maximum angle increment corresponding to the degree of precision you desire. You should keep in mind, however, that the smaller the angle increment, the more storage will be required for the model and the slower the search time will be.

It should be noted that while correlation with angle is normally able to find rotated parts, the correlation search time usually increase significantly. This is why correlation with angle is most useful for finding parts which rotate slightly. On the other hand, Geometric search is suitable for a pattern search which includes large rotation detection. If it is predictable that the parts have a large rotation angle, consider to use Geometric search.

Also, the Polar object is normally very fast and can be used in conjunction with a Correlation object for a powerful and fast combination. (See the sections on Correlation or Polar Searching for more information.)

See Also

Angle Result, AngleEnable Property, AngleRange Property, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab

AngleObject Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ImageOp

Description

Defines which object is used as a basis for rotating other objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AngleObject*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AngleObject*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Screen, or the name of an object whose step number is prior to the step number of the ImageOp object and returns an Angle result.

Default: Screen

Remarks

Use AngleObject together with the Rotate setting of the Operation property to automatically rotate the image according to the Angle result for the object specified in AngleObject.

The following objects can be specified:

Blob, Correlation, Geometric, Polar, Frame

See Also

ImageOp Object, Operation Property, AngleObject Property, RotationAngle Property

AngleOffset Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Polar, Correlation, Geometric

Description

An angle value which is used as an offset to line up the search direction indicator (graphic line on the image display) with the part since it is virtually impossible and normally impractical to teach an object with the proper rotation of a part so that the direction lines up with the part.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AngleOffset*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AngleOffset*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real number in degrees from 0 - 360

Default: 0

Remarks

The AngleOffset is used to adjust the rotation position of objects. Detection angle of the object is normally set at the default position which is 0 degrees (at 3 O'clock). For the AngleOffset property, the offset rotation angle in a counter clockwise direction of the detection angle should be set.

See Also

Object Tab, Polar Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object

AngleRange Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

Specifies the rotation detection range.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AngleRange*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AngleRange*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Correlation: Integer number in degrees from 0 – 180 for PC Vision cameras.
Integer number in degrees from 0 – 45 for Compact Vision cameras

Default: 10

Geometric: Integer number in degrees from 0 – 180 for all cameras.

Default: 180

Remarks

Before reading anything else about the AngleRange property it should be noted that the Correlation Model must be taught after a new value for the AngleRange property is set in order for those settings to take affect. If you teach a Correlation Model, then later set the AngleRange property to a new value, and then try to run that Correlation object, it will not search with the new angle range. You must re-teach the Correlation Model with the AngleEnable property set to 1–True, and with the new value for the AngleRange property in order for Correlation search with angle to use the new AngleRange property value. You must also have the proper settings for the AngleMaxIncrement property prior to teaching the new Model as well.

The AngleRange property must be set before teaching the model. This value specifies the range within which to train a series of rotated models. For example, if the AngleRange property is set to 5, then when the model is trained, a set of models is actually trained within +/- 5 degrees of the current model position. These models are then used when a correlation search with angle is specified.

It should be noted that using correlation with angle will generally cause the correlation time to increase significantly. This is why correlation with angle is normally used for small angle increments slightly. On the other hand, Geometric search is suitable for a pattern search which includes large rotation detection. If it is predictable that the parts have a large rotation angle, consider to use Geometric search.

Also, the Polar object is normally very fast and can be used in conjunction with the Correlation object for a powerful and fast combination. (See the sections on Correlation or Polar Searching in the *Vision Guide Manual* for more information.)

Specify a small value for the setting. If the value is large, the detection time gets longer and may result in false detection.

See Also

Angle Result, AngleEnable Property, AngleMaxIncrement Property, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab

AngleStart Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, CodeReader, Correlation, Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the starting search angle.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.AngleStart*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.AngleStart*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in degrees from 0 - 360

Default: 0

Remarks

Use AngleStart to set the starting search angle. This property is only valid when AngleEnable is set to "1-True". The system will search for the model within the AngleRange range centering on the angle specified in AngleStart. For example, if AngleStart is 45 degrees and AngleRange is 10 degrees, then the system will search from 35 to 55 degrees.

For ArcFinder and ArcInspector, AngleStart sets the start of the detection range to find or inspect circular objects. The range is between AngleStart and AngleEnd.

See Also

Angle Result, AngleEnable Property, AngleEnd Property, AngleMaxIncrement Property, AngleRange Property, ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab

ApproachPoint Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Sets / returns the approach point which will be the start point of the robot for moving to each camera point in the calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.ApproachPoint*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.ApproachPoint*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Point string

Default: ""

Remarks

The approach point is the start point of the robot for moving to each camera point in the calibration. This string is used as a parameter for Go command. If you do not use the approach point, specify an empty string ("").

See Also

VCal

ArcObject Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector

Description

Set an ArcFinder object that is used to locate an arc for ArcInspector to inspect.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ArcObject*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ArcObject*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

None, or the name of an ArcFinder object whose step number is prior to the step number of the ArcInspector object.

Default: None

Remarks

By default, the ArcInspector inspects the arc defined by the Radius, CenterX, and CenterY properties. You can search for the arc with an ArcFinder first by setting the ArcObject property to an ArcFinder.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcObjResult Property

ArcObjResult Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector

Description

Specifies the result which the ArcObject property uses.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ArcObjResult*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ArcObjResult*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

ArcObjResult can be set to All, or you can specify which result to use. By using All, inspection will be executed for each ArcObject result.

Default: 1

Remarks

ArcObjResult enables you to attach one or more objects to the results of one ArcObject.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, ArcObject Property

ArcSearchType Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector

Description

Sets / returns a type of arc (circle, ellipse) to be searched for.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object*. **ArcSearchType**, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object*. **ArcSearchType**, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – Circle Vision constant: VISION_ARCSEARCHTYPE_CIRCLE
Circles will be searched.

2 – Ellipse Vision constant: VISION_ARCSEARCHTYPE_ELLIPSE
Ellipses will be searched.

Default: 0 – Circle

Remarks

ArcSearchType specifies a type of arc to be searched by ArcFinder, or a type of arc of the base line which is used for ArcInspector.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Object Tab

Area Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, DefectFinder, LineInspector

Description

Returns the area of a blob or defect.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Area*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

Real value in pixels from 1 to (SearchWinWidth x SearchWinHeight)

Remarks

The Area result is the total area of the blob or defect in pixels.

Statistics

For the Area result, the following statistics are available. AreaMax, AreaMean, AreaMin, AreaStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, LineInspector Object, MaxArea Property, MinArea Property, MinMaxArea Property, Object Tab

AsyncMode Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Defines whether or not to return from VRun command after exposure of the image and before sequence processing executes.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.AsyncMode*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.AsyncMode*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Causes VRun to return after the image acquisition and the sequence processing is completed.

1 – True Causes VRun to return after the image exposure is completed in the camera.

Default: 1 – True

Remarks

The AsyncMode property lets you choose whether VRun should return after acquiring the image and before sequence processing. When AsyncMode is True, VRun acquires the image and returns to SPEL+. The sequence is then processed by the vision system. This may reduce the cycle time since it allows you to move the robot while the vision sequence is processing. If VRun, VGet, VSet, or any other vision commands are called for the same sequence, they will wait for the previous sequence to be processed before executing.

See Also

VRun

AutoCamPoints Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Defines whether or not to generate camera point automatically.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.AutoCamPoints, var*

VSet *Calibration.AutoCamPoints, value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Camera point has not been generated.

1 – True Camera point has been generated.

Default: 1 – True

Remarks

The AutoCamPoints Property is used to set whether or not to enable a function that automatically generates nine camera points for calibration which requires nine camera points. When the function is enabled, nine camera points can be automatically generated when calibration is executed only by specifying one camera point near the center of FOV when teaching points.

See Also

VCal

AutoReference Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Defines whether or not to calculate calibration reference point automatically during the calibration of mobile camera.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.AutoReference, var*

VSet *Calibration, AutoReference, value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Auto calculation will not be performed.

1 – True Auto calculation will be performed.

Default: 1 – True

Remarks

When calculating the reference point of the calibration automatically, this property uses the mobile camera to automatically set the calibration reference point. The configured tool and arm settings do not affect this auto setting. If this function is enabled, the tool and arm settings are applied to teaching of the calibration reference point

See Also

VCal

CalComplete Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns whether a calibration is completed.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.CalComplete*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

0 – False Calibration has not been completed.

1 – True Calibration has been completed.

Remarks

Use CalComplete to check if a calibration has been completed successfully.

See Also

PointsTaught Property

Calibration Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets / returns the calibration name used with the vision sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Calibration*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Calibration*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Name of a calibration or string expression containing a calibration name.

Values

String value of up to 16 characters containing the name of the calibration

Default: None

Remarks

Calibration is required for most vision applications to calculate the proper results for the robot coordinate system and camera coordinate system. The Calibration property associates a previously defined calibration with the specified vision sequence. All calibrations which have been registered will appear in the **Sequence Tab** Calibration property which allows the user to select which calibration to use for this sequence.

Each vision sequence may have only 1 calibration defined at a time. However, if you want to use a sequence with some different calibration data, you can set the Calibration property for the sequence at runtime prior to initiating the vision sequence. For example, you can run the sequence *test* with calibration *calib1* and then run the sequence *test* with calibration *calib2* as follows:

```
VSet test.Calibration, calib1
VRun test
VSet test.Calibration, calib2
VRun test
```

See Also

Calibration Details, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences

CallImageSize Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration
CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Returns a image size in a calibration.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.**ImageSize**, *var*

Sequence String variable representing a sequence name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

Values

Defines a constant of image size.

Remarks

Acquire the image size in the calibration. For details of values, refer to *ImageSize* property.

See Also

ImageSizeproperty

CalRobotPlacePos Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Arc Finder, Arc Inspector, ColorMatch, Correlation, Defect Finder, Edge, Geometric, Line Inspector, Polar

Description

The CalRobotPlacePos property is used to calibrate RobotPlacePos at design time or run time.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CalRobotPlacePos*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CalRobotPlacePos*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

True – calibrate the robot place position.

False – invalidate the robot place position calibration

Default: False

Remarks

CalRobotPlacePos is used to calibrate RobotPlacePos. This property is only valid if the sequence calibration is set to an upward camera calibration.

At design time, clicking the CalRobotPlacePos property button will start the CalRobotPlacePos wizard, which will guide you through the calibration steps.

At run time, setting CalRobotPlacePos to True will calibrate the RobotPlacePos. To calibrate RobotPlacePos at run time, follow these steps:

1. Pick up the part with the robot and move the part over the upward camera
2. Execute VRun to find the part.
3. Jog the robot so that the part is in the place position.
4. Set CalRobotPlacePos = True.
5. Execute VSave to save the calibration.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, Confusion Property, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab, Polar Object, RobotPlacePos Result, Score Result

Camera Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence
Vision Calibration

Description

Specifies which camera to be used for a vision sequence or vision calibration.

Usage

VGet {*Sequence* / *Calibration*}.**Camera**, *var*

VSet {*Sequence* / *Calibration*}.**Camera**, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Calibration String variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value equals to or greater than 1.

Default: 1

Remarks

One camera may be associated with a vision sequence calibration.

For sequences, the camera number must be selected before executing VRun.

For calibrations, the camera number must match the camera number of the calibration target sequence.

Note:

Camera numbers which can be changed by VSet have the following restrictions.

Sequence or calibration with CV1 cameras:

Camera numbers which use the different camera channels of the same CV1 camera can be set

Sequence or calibration with PC vision cameras:

Camera numbers which use the different cameras of PC vision can be set.

Example

The following example shows how to use multiple cameras with the same vision sequence. We will set the Camera property prior to executing the vision sequence called FINDMARK.

```
Function test
#define CAMERA1 1
#define CAMERA2 2
VSet findmark.Camera, CAMERA1
VRun findmark
'Get any info req'd from 1st sequence here (i.e. VGet findmark.xxx.xxx)
VSet findmark.Camera, CAMERA2
VRun findmark
'Get any info req'd from 2nd sequence here (i.e. VGet findmark.xxx.xxx)
Fend
```

See Also

CameraBrightness Property, CameraContrast Property, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences

CameraBrightness Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies the brightness setting for the camera used in the current sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.CameraBrightness, var*

VSet *Sequence.CameraBrightness, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 - 255

Camera	Default	Application			
		CV1	CV2-S/H	CV2-SA/HA	PC vision
NET 1044 BU	128	✓	✓	✓	-
NET 4133 BU / CU	128	✓	✓	✓	-
NET 1500 BU / CU	128	✓	✓	✓	-
acA640-100gm	16	-	✓	✓	✓
acA640-120gm	16	-	✓	✓	✓
acA1600-20gm / gc	16	-	✓	✓	✓
acA2500-14gm / gc	32	-	✓	✓	✓
acA3800-10gm	32	-	-	✓	✓

Remarks

The CameraBrightness property is normally left at the default value. When a new sequence is created, the default CameraBrightness value is set for the current camera.

Before changing CameraBrightness, try adjusting the lighting and aperture of the lens to obtain the desired brightness. If additional adjustment is necessary, then change the CameraBrightness value. The CameraBrightness property can have values in the range of 0 - 255, with higher values giving more brightness.

See Also

Camera Property, CameraContrast Property, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences

CameraContrast Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies the contrast setting for the camera used in the current sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.CameraContrast*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.CameraContrast*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 to 255

Camera	Default	Application			
		CV1	CV2-S/H	CV2-SA/HA	PC vision
NET 1044 BU	128	✓	✓	✓	-
NET 4133 BU / CU	128	✓	✓	✓	-
NET 1500 BU / CU	128	✓	✓	✓	-
acA640-100gm	55	-	✓	✓	✓
acA640-120gm	55	-	✓	✓	✓
acA1600-20gm / gc	57	-	✓	✓	✓
acA2500-14gm / gc	0	-	✓	✓	✓
acA3800-10gm	0	-	-	✓	✓

Remarks

The CameraContrast property is normally left at the default value. When a new sequence is created, the default CameraContrast value is set for the current camera.

Adjust the value of the CameraContrast property when you want to change the contrast of a image acquisition. The CameraContrast property can have values in the range of 0 - 255, with higher values giving more contrast.

See Also

Camera Property, CameraBrightnessProperty, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences

CameraOrientation Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the CameraOrientation type for the specified calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.CameraOrientation*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.CameraOrientation*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 - Standalone	Fixed camera (VISION_CAMORIENT_STANDALONE)
2 - Fixed Downward	Fixed downward camera (VISION_CAMORIENT_FIXEDDOWN)
3 - Fixed Upward	Fixed upward camera (VISION_CAMORIENT_FIXEDUP)
4 - Mobile on J2	Camera mounted on Joint #2 (VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ2)
5 - Mobile on J4	Camera mounted on Joint #4 (VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ4)
6 - Mobile on J5	Camera mounted on Joint #5 (VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ5)
7 - Mobile on J6	Camera mounted on Joint #6 (VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ6)

Default: 1 – Standalone

Remarks

The CameraOrientation property must be set before teaching calibration points.

See Also

Camera Property, CameraBrightness Property, CameraContrast Property, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences

CameraX Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineInspector, Point, Polar, CodeReader

Description

Returns the X position coordinate of the found part's position in the camera coordinate frame.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CameraX* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

The CameraX result is always in millimeters in the camera coordinate system.

The CameraX result can be calculated only when valid calibration data is set to the Calibration property of the vision sequence. If the calibration has not been completed or the Calibration property has not been set, the CameraX result will be an error.

Statistics

For the CameraX result, the following statistics are available. CameraXMax, CameraXMean, CameraXMin, CameraXStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

Angle Result, ArcFinder Object, Blob Object, CameraY Result, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotX Result, CodeReader Object, Object Tab

CameraX1 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the starting point position (X1) of a Line object in Camera coordinates.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CameraX1*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

The value returned for the CameraX1 result depends upon the calibration used for the camera. Values are always returned in millimeters.

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The CameraX1 and CameraX2 results represent the X coordinate position starting (X1,Y1) and endpoints (X2,Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (CameraX1, CameraY1) and (CameraX2, CameraY2) coordinate pairs can actually be Camera coordinate positions which match the CameraX and CameraY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line Object's starting point is defined by a Correlation object, then the (CameraX, CameraY) results from the Correlation object will match the (CameraX1, CameraY1) results for the Line object.)

The CameraX1 result can be calculated only when valid calibration data is set to the Calibration property of the vision sequence. If the calibration has not been completed or the Calibration property has not been set, the CameraX1 result will be an error.

See Also

Angle Result, CameraX2 Result, CameraY1 Result, CameraY2 Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX1 Result, RobotX Result, RobotXYU Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

CameraX2 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the end point position (X2) of a Line object in Camera coordinates.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CameraX2*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

The value returned for the CameraX2 result depends upon the calibration used for the camera. Values are always returned in millimeters.

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The CameraX1 and CameraX2 results represent the X coordinate position starting (X1,Y1) and endpoints (X2,Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (CameraX1, CameraY1) and (CameraX2, CameraY2) coordinate pairs can actually be Camera coordinate positions which match the CameraX and CameraY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's starting point is defined by a Correlation object, then the (CameraX, CameraY) results from the Correlation object will match the (CameraX1, CameraY1) results for the Line object.)

The CameraX2 result can be calculated only when valid calibration data is set to the Calibration property of the vision sequence. If the calibration has not been completed or the Calibration property has not been set, the CameraX2 result will be an error.

See Also

Angle Result, CameraX1 Result, CameraY1 Result, CameraY2 Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX2 Result, RobotX Result, RobotXYU Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

CameraXYU Result

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, Blob, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, LineInspector, Point, Polar

Description

Returns the CameraX, CameraY and Angle position coordinates of the found part's position in the camera coordinate frame.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CameraXYU [(result)], found, xVar, yVar, uVar*

<i>Sequence</i>	Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.
<i>Object</i>	Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.
<i>found</i>	Boolean variable representing whether or not the part you are looking for was found.
<i>xVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the X coordinate position of the part.
<i>yVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the Y coordinate position of the part.
<i>uVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the angular position (rotation) of the part with respect to the camera coordinate system
<i>result</i>	Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

<i>found</i>	Boolean value which is either True or False
<i>xVar</i>	Real number in millimeters
<i>yVar</i>	Real number in millimeters
<i>uVar</i>	Real number in degrees

Remarks

The *xVar* and *yVar* values are returned in millimeters since the Camera Coordinate Frame is calibrated in millimeters. The *uVar* value is returned in degrees.

It should be noted that the CameraXYU result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been associated with a calibration. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then if VGet is used to retrieve the CameraXYU result, an error will occur.

The CameraXYU result can be calculated only when valid calibration data is set to the Calibration property of the vision sequence. If the calibration has not been completed or the Calibration property has not been set, the CameraXYU result will be an error.

The CameraXYU result is available at runtime only.

See Also

Angle Result, ArcFinder Object, Blob Object, CameraX Result, CameraY Result, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotXYU Result

CameraY Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, Blob, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, LineInspector, Point, Polar, CodeReader

Description

Returns the Y position coordinate of the found part's position in the camera coordinate frame.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CameraY* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in millimeters

Remarks

The CameraY result is always in millimeters in the camera coordinate system.

The CameraY result can be calculated only when valid calibration data is set to the Calibration property of the vision sequence. If the calibration has not been completed or the Calibration property has not been set, the CameraY result will be an error.

Statistics

For the CameraY result, the following statistics are available. CameraYMax, CameraYMean, CameraYMin, CameraYStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

Angle Result, ArcFinder Object, Blob Object, CameraX Result, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotXYU Result, RobotY Result, CodeReader Object, Object Tab

CameraY1 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the starting point position Y coordinate (Y1) of a Line object in Camera coordinates.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CameraY1*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in millimeters

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The CameraY1 and CameraY2 results represent the Y coordinate position starting (X1,Y1) and endpoints (X2,Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (CameraX1, CameraY1) and (CameraX2, CameraY2) coordinate pairs can actually be Camera coordinate positions which match the CameraX and CameraY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's starting point is defined by a Correlation object, then the (CameraX, CameraY) results from the Correlation object will match the (CameraX1, CameraY1) results for the Line object.)

The CameraY1 result can be calculated only when valid calibration data is set to the Calibration property of the vision sequence. If the calibration has not been completed or the Calibration property has not been set, the CameraY1 result will be an error.

See Also

Angle Result, CameraX1 Result, CameraX2 Result, CameraY2 Result, Line Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotY Result, RobotXYU Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

CameraY2 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the ending point position (Y2) of a Line object in Camera coordinates.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CameraY2*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

The value returned for the CameraY2 result depends upon the calibration used for the camera. Values are always returned in millimeters.

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The CameraY1 and CameraY2 results represent the Y coordinate position starting (X1,Y1) and endpoints (X2,Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (CameraX1, CameraY1) and (CameraX2, CameraY2) coordinate pairs can actually be Camera coordinate positions which match the CameraX and CameraY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's starting point is defined by a Correlation object, then the (CameraX, CameraY) results from the Correlation object will match the (CameraX1, CameraY1) results for the Line object.)

The CameraY2 result can be calculated only when valid calibration data is set to the Calibration property of the vision sequence. If the calibration has not been completed or the Calibration property has not been set, the CameraY2 result will be an error.

See Also

Angle Result, CameraX1 Result, CameraX2 Result, CameraY1 Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotY Result, RobotXYU Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

Caption Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: All

Description

Sets or returns the text to be displayed for an object's label on the screen.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Caption*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Caption*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

String of 16 characters or less. Any alphanumeric or the following punctuation characters are allowed.

' _ () * & \$ # @ . : \ / < > “

Default: Empty string

Remarks

The Caption property allows you to assign an arbitrary label to the vision object. As default, nothing is set to the Caption property. The name of the object will be used as its label on the screen.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Frame Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, Line Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, Point Object, Polar Object

CenterPntObjResult Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineFinder, OCR, Polar

Description

Specifies the result which the CenterPointObject property uses.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CenterPntObjResult*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CenterPntObjResult*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

CenterPntObjResult can be set to “All”, or you can specify which result to use. By using “All”, results will be created for each CenterPointObject result.

Default: 1

Remarks

CenterPntObjResult enables you to attach several objects to the results of one CenterPointObject. For example, you could create a blob object with NumberToFind set to 4. Then you could execute a polar object to each one of the results by specifying the blob for the CenterPointObject of each polar object, and specifying “All” to CenterPntObjResult of the blob object.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, CenterPointObject Property, CenterX Property, CenterY Property, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Geometric Object, OCR Object, Object Tab, Polar Object

CenterPntRotOffset Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineFinder, OCR, Polar

Description

Specifies whether the center point XY offset (CenterPntOffsetX, CenterPntOffsetY) should be rotated according to the Angle result of CenterPointObject.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CenterPntRotOffset*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CenterPntRotOffset*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

True – rotate the offset

False – do not rotate the offset

Default: False

Remarks

Set CenterPntRotOffsets to True if you want the XY offset value (CenterPntOffsetX, CenterPntOffsetY) to be rotated by the Angle result of the CenterPointObject.

See Also

CenterPointObject Property, CenterPntOffsetX Property, CenterPntOffsetY Property, SearchWinType Property

CenterPntOffsetX Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineFinder, OCR, Polar

Description

Sets or returns the X offset of the center of the search window after it is positioned with the CenterPointObject.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CenterPntOffsetX*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CenterPntOffsetX*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer in pixels. As a result of this property setting, the search can be done within the valid pixels, even if the search window would not be positioned in the camera view.

Default: 0

Remarks

The CenterPntOffsetX property can be used to shift a search window that has been positioned by a CenterPointObject in X direction.

If CenterPointObject property is set to None, then CenterPntOffsetX has no effect.

See Also

Blob Pbject, CenterPointObject, CenterPntOffsetY, CodeReader Object, ColorMatch Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, OCR Object, Object Tab, Polar Object

CenterPntOffsetY Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineFinder, OCR, Polar

Description

Sets or returns the Y offset of the center of the search window after it is positioned with the CenterPointObject.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CenterPntOffsetY, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CenterPntOffsetY, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer in pixels. As a result of this property setting, the search can be done within the valid pixels, even if the search window would not be positioned in the camera view.

Default: 0

Remarks

The CenterPntOffsetY property can be used to shift a search window that has been positioned by a CenterPointObject in Y direction.

If CenterPointObject property is set to None, then CenterPntOffsetY has no effect.

See Also

Blob Object, CenterPointObject, CenterPntOffsetX, CodeReader Object, ColorMatch Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, OCR Object, Object Tab, Polar Object

CenterPointObject Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineFinder, OCR, Polar

Description

Specifies the object whose position is used as the center for the specified object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CenterPointObject*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CenterPointObject*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Name of a vision object or screen.

Default: Screen

Remarks

The CenterPointObject is based on the resulting coordinate position of an object which is executed prior to the specified object.

When teaching an object which has the CenterPointObject setting other than “Screen”, the vision object defined as CenterPointObject is executed first, and the position results (PixelX and PixelY) are used to determine the current object position. Therefore, to detect the current object, the object defined as the CenterPointObject should be found correctly.

See Also

Blob Object, CenterX Property, CenterY Property, CodeReader Object, ColorMatch Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, Polar Object, ArcFinder Object, LineFinder Object, ArcInspector Object

CenterX Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Polar

Description

Specifies the X Coordinate position to be used as the center point of an object in pixels.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CenterX*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CenterX*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real number from 0 – (video width in pixels – 1). However, the detection range of the Polar object cannot exceed the valid pixel range of the camera. Therefore, the actual range is:

$(0 + \text{Radius}) - (\text{Current Pixel Coordinate Y Resolution} - \text{Radius} - 1)$

Radius is a distance from the center of the Polar object to the outer side of the reach ring for the object.

For example, if an image resolution of ImageSize property is 640x480 and a radius is 16 pixels, it gives a range of 16 - 623.

Default: X coordinate screen position of the center of the Polar object

Remarks

This property is filled in automatically when the CenterPointObject property for a Polar object is set to another vision object. However, if the CenterPointObject property for a Polar object is set to Screen, then the user may set the CenterX property to position the Polar object.

The user may also set the CenterPointObject property for a Polar object automatically by physically dragging the Polar object to a new position on the screen. When this drag operation is done, the CenterX property is automatically updated with the new CenterX position of the Polar object.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, CenterY Property, CenterPoint Property, Object Tab, Polar Object

CenterY Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Polar

Description

Specifies the Y Coordinate position to be used as the center point for the Polar object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CenterY*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CenterY*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real number from 1 – (video width in pixels – 1). However, the detection range of the Polar object cannot exceed the valid pixel range of the camera. Therefore, the actual range is:

$(0 + \text{Radius}) - (\text{Current Pixel Coordinate Y Resolution} - \text{Radius} - 1)$

Radius is a distance from the center of the Polar object to the outer side of the reach ring for the object.

For example, if an image resolution of ImageSize is 640x480 and a radius is 16 pixels, it gives a range of 16 - 463.

Default: Y coordinate Screen Position of the center of the Polar object

Remarks

This property is filled in automatically when the CenterPointObject property for a Polar object is set to another vision object. However, if the CenterPointObject property for a Polar object is set to Screen, then the user may set the CenterY property to position the Polar object.

The user may also set the CenterPointObject property for a Polar object automatically by physically dragging the Polar object to a new position on the screen. When this drag operation is done, the CenterY property is automatically updated with the new CenterY position of the Polar object.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, CenterX Property, CenterPoint Property, Object Tab, Polar Object

CharToTeach Property

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: OCR

Description

Sets / returns the character used by VTeach.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CharToTeach*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CharToTeach*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

String for one character.

Default: ""

Remarks

The CharToTeach property specifies the character that will be taught when VTeach executes. Before executing VTeach, the model window must surround the character being taught.

See Also

InvalidChar, Object Tab, OCR Object, VTeach

CodabarChecksumEnabled Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to use the checksum during Codabar detection.

Remarks

Sets whether to use the checksum during Codabar detection.

Default: False

See Also

CodeReading Object, Object Tab, CodabarOutputChecksum Property, CodabarOutputStartStop Property

CodabarOutputChecksum Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to include the checksum value in the Codabar Text result.

Remarks

Sets whether to include the checksum value in the Codabar Text result.

Default: False

See Also

CodeReading Object, Object Tab, CodabarChecksumEnabled Property, CodabarOutputStartStop Property, Text Result

CodabarOutputStartStop Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to include the start and stop characters in the Codabar Text result.

Remarks

Sets whether to include the start and stop characters in the Codabar Text result.

Default: True

See Also

CodeReading Object, Object Tab, CodabarOutputChecksum Property, CodabarOutputStartStop Property, Text Result

Code39ChecksumEnabled Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to use the checksum for CODE 39 detection.

Remarks

Sets whether to use the checksum for CODE 39 detection.

Default:False

See Also

CodeReading Object, Object Tab, Code39OutputChecksum Property, Code39OutputStartStop Property

Code39OutputChecksum Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to include the checksum value in the CODE 39 Text result.

Remarks

Sets whether to include the checksum value in the CODE 39 Text result.

Default: True

See Also

CodeReading Object, Object Tab, Code39OutputChecksum Property, Code39OutputStartStop Property, Text Result

Code39OutputStartStop Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to include the start and stop characters in the CODE 39 Text result.

Remarks

Sets whether to include the start and stop characters in the CODE 39 Text result.

Default: True

See Also

CodeReading Object, Object Tab, Code39ChecksumEnabled Property, Code39OutputChecksum Property, Text Result

Code128OutputChecksum Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to include the checksum value in the CODE 128 Text result.

Remarks

Sets whether to include the checksum value in the CODE 128 Text result.

Default: True

See Also

CodeReading Object, Object Tab, Text Result

CodeType Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: CodeReader

Description

Sets / returns which type of bar codes or matrix codes to search for with the CodeReader object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CodeType*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CodeType*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Setting value	Vision constant	Remarks
Auto	VISION_CODETYPE_AUTO	Automatic code detection
DataMatrix	VISION_CODETYPE_DATAMATRIX	2D code
Codabar	VISION_CODETYPE_CODABAR	
Code39	VISION_CODETYPE_CODE39	
Code128	VISION_CODETYPE_CODE128	
EAN 8	VISION_CODETYPE_EAN8	
EAN 13	VISION_CODETYPE_EAN13	
Interleaved 2 of 5	VISION_CODETYPE_INTERLEAVED25	Also called ITF
PDF417	VISION_CODETYPE_PDF417	2D code
QR	VISION_CODETYPE_QR	2D code
UPC	VISION_CODETYPE_UPC	
UPC A	VISION_CODETYPE_UPCA	
UPC E	VISION_CODETYPE_UPCE	

Default: Auto

Remarks

CodeType specifies the type of bar codes (one- or two-dimensional) to be searched for by the CodeReader object.

CodeType is set to “Auto” as default, and the code types are detected automatically.

See Also

CodeReader Object, Found Result, FoundCodeType Result, Object Tab

ColorIndex Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch

Description

Returns the index of the color model found to be the best match.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ColorIndex* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult

Values

Index of the matched color model.

Remarks

The ColorIndex result is the index of the matched color model. The name given to the color model of the best matched model can be acquired from the ColorName result.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, ColorName Result, ColorValue Result, Object Tab

ColorMode Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, ImageOp

Description

Sets the desired color mode (RBG or HSV).

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ColorMode, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ColorMode, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 – RGB

2 - HSV

Default: 1 (RGB)

Remarks

ColorMode is used to set the color space used for the search in ColorMatch and for the ColorFilter ImageOp operation.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, ImageOp Object, ModelColorTol Property

ColorName Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch

Description

Returns the name of the color model found to be the best match.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ColorName* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property.
If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult

Values

A string containing the name of the color model.

Default: Empty string

Remarks

ColorName is the name given to the color model of the best matched model. The ColorIndex result is the index of the matched model. The name of a color model can be changed at design time from the [Vision Guide] window by clicking the <Teach> button for the object and changing the color model names. The model name can also be changed by setting the ModelName property from SPEL+ at runtime.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, ColorIndex Result, ColorValue Result, ModelName Property, Object Tab

ColorValue Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch

Description

Returns the RGB or HSV value of the found color and returns the gray value for a monochrome image.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ColorValue* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property.
If omitted, the result number is the value of CurrentResult.

Values

For RGB, the format is a 6-digit hexadecimal number (&Hrrggbb for red, green, and blue).

For HSV, the format is a 7-digit hexadecimal number (&Hhhhssvv for hue, saturation, and value).

For monochrome images, ColorValue returns the gray value within a range of 0 - 255

Remarks

ColorValue returns the actual RGB or HSV value of the found color. Normally, ColorIndex is used to determine which color model had the best match. ColorValue returns the actual color that was found.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, ColorMode Property, Point Object, ColorIndex Result, ColorName Result, Object Tab

Compactness Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the compactness of a blob or defect.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Compactness* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult

Values

Minimum value is 1.0.

Remarks

Compactness is a measure of how close all particles in a blob are from one another. It is derived from the perimeter and area. A circular blob is most compact and is defined to have a compactness measure of 1.0 (the minimum). More convoluted shapes have larger Compactness values.

See Also

Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, Holes Result, Object Tab, Perimeter Result, Roughness Result

Confusion Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, Polar

Description

Indicates the amount of confusion expected in the image to be searched. This is the highest shape score a feature can get that is not an instance of the feature for which you are searching. (i.e. Will there be patterns in the image which will "confuse" the searching algorithms? To what level?)

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Confusion*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Confusion*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number from 1-999 with the higher numbers representing a higher confusion in an image.

Default: 800

Remarks

Both the Confusion property and the Accept property affect the pattern finding speed.

The search continues until the number of the score patterns specified in NumberToFind which are larger than the Confusion value are found. If the score pattern larger than Accept value and smaller than Confusion is found, the search continues for the higher score pattern, and then confirms the pattern search result if there is no higher score pattern.

The Confusion property allows the system to abort the search before exploring all possible regions of the image, thus speeding up the process.

Set the Confusion property based on the highest value you expect the "wrong part" to get (plus a margin for error). It is recommended to set The Confusion property greater than or equal to the Accept property. Setting the Confusion property to a high value may increase the time of the search, while setting the property to a low value may decrease the time of the search. However, note that the low Confusion property value may increase the possibility of false detection.

The Confusion property becomes very important when there are multiple features within an image which are very similar. In these cases the proper setting of the Confusion property (i.e. at a high enough level) helps eliminate the wrong features. However, when an image has few features which look the same then the Confusion property can be set a little lower. This can help reduce processing time.

See Also

Accept Property, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab, Polar Object, Score Result

Contrast Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Returns the contrast of the found edge.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Contrast*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property.
If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

Integer number from 0 - 255

Remarks

Contrast is the difference in grayscale values between an edge and its background. Contrast can help find weaker edges. First, find the edge you want to search for and record the contrast value. Next, set the ContrastTarget property to this value. Then set the ScoreWeightContrast to a higher value than ScoreWeightStrength. This tells the Edge object to look for an edge with the desired contrast and base the score on it. For ArcFinder, ArcInspector, LineFinder, LineInspector objects, the Contrast result is the average contrast of all edges used in the search.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, ContrastTarget Property, ContrastVariation Property, Edge Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object

ContrastTarget Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Sets the desired contrast for the edge search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ContrastTarget*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ContrastTarget*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 - 255

Default: 0 (any contrast)

Remarks

ContrastTarget is the expected difference in grayscale values between an edge and its background. Use ContrastTarget to find weaker edges or edges at an angle. First, find the edge you want to search for and record the Contrast result value. You may have to temporarily change the Edge object position to find it. Next, set the ContrastTarget property to this value. Then set the ScoreWeightContrast to a higher value then ScoreWeightStrength. This tells the Edge object to look for an edge with the desired contrast and base the score on it.

See Also

Contrast Result, ContrastVariation Property, Edge Object, LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, LineInspector Object

ContrastVariation Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Sets the amount of contrast variation for the ContrastTarget property.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ContrastVariation*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ContrastVariation*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number from 0 - 255

Default: 0 (any variation)

Remarks

Use ContrastVariation to set the amount of contrast variation allowed for the edge search with the value set in ContrastTarget.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Contrast Result, ContrastTarget Property, Edge Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object

Count Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence Objects

Description

Returns the number of objects in a sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.Objects.**Count**, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

Values

Integer value representing the number of objects in the specified sequence.

Remarks

Use the Count property to determine how many objects are in a sequence when you want to iterate through all objects.

See Also

Objects Property

CurrentModel Property

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, ImageOp

Description

Sets / returns the current model index to change the teaching and model names.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CurrentModel*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CurrentModel*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number from 1 to the NumberOfModels result value.

Remarks

Use the CurrentModel property to set the current model index for teaching and for setting the names of color models.

For example, the following code sets the color and the name of model 2:

```
VSet seq1.ColorMatch01.CurrentModel, 2
VSet seq1.ColorMatch01.ModelColor, &Hff0000
VSet seq1.ColorMatch01.ModelName, "Red"
```

See Also

NumberOfModels Property, ColorMatch Object, ImageOp Object, ModelColor Property

CurrentResult Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Frame, Geometric, Line, LineFinder, LineInspector, Polar, Point

Description

Defines which result to display in the Results list on the Object tab or which result to return data for when an object searches for multiple results.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.CurrentResult*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.CurrentResult*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number from 1 – NumberOfResults value.

Default: 1

Remarks

Several objects support finding multiple results by setting NumberToFind equal to a value greater than one. The CurrentResult property defines which one of the found results to work with.

When you are only trying to find one result (as defined by the NumberToFind property), the CurrentResult property is automatically set to one since there is only one possible result to return.

When working with the Vision Guide window, you will also notice that the Results list on the Object tab will display a heading like "Result (1 of 15)". This means that the system tried to find 15 features (as defined by the NumberToFind property) and the Results list displays the results for item 1.

If you want to see the results for one of the other results, just change the CurrentResult property value to indicate which result you want to examine.

Results are ordered according to the Sort property setting.

ArcInspector, Blob, DefectFinder, and LineInspector objects results are displayed in descending order of blob size depending on SizeToFind. For Result 1 (CurrentResult = 1), the largest blob result will be displayed.

Correlation object, Edge, and Geometric objects results are displayed in descending order of scores as default. For Result 1 (CurrentResult = 1), the result of the highest score will be displayed.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, NumberFound Result, NumberToFind Property, Object Tab, Sort Property

Example

The following SPEL⁺ language example runs a vision sequence called "mtest" which contains a Blob object called "Blob01". "Blob01" has been defined to find multiple blobs (3) from within a single Search Window. (i.e. mtest.Blob01.NumberToFind = 3)

The following program will run the sequence and make sure that the proper number of features (3) was found for "Blob01" and then print the Area for each result.

```
Function main
  #define NUM_TO_FIND 3
  Integer foundCount, area
  VRun mtest
  VGet mtest.Blob01.NumberFound, foundCount
  If foundCount = NUM_TO_FIND Then
    Print "The correct number of blobs were found"
  Else
    Print "Only (", found, ") blobs were found"
  EndIf
  VSet mtest.Blob01.CurrentResult, 1
  VGet mtest.BLOB01.Area, area
  Print "1st blob area =", area, "pixels"

  VSet mtest.Blob01.CurrentResult, 2
  VGet mtest.Blob01.Area, area
  Print "2nd blob area =", area, "pixels"

  VSet mtest.Blob01.CurrentResult, 3
  VGet mtest.Blob01.Area, area
  Print "3rd blob area =", area, "pixels"
Fend
```

DataMatrixConnectDots Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Specifies whether or not to pre-process connected dots for a DataMatrix code using round dots.

When using the round cells, specify to pre-process if the adjacent cells are connected each other.

Values

Setting range: True / False

Default: False

See Also

CodeReader Object, DataMatrixMinLength Property, DataMatrixPolarity Property

DataMatrixMinLength Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets the minimum DataMatrix code size.

Values

Integer from 36 to 999 pixels

Default: 46

Remarks

Reducing the value may enable detection of small DataMatrix codes. However, detection time will be longer.

See Also

CodeReader Object, DataMatrixConnectDots Property, DataMatrixPolarity Property

DataMatrixPolarity Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Specifies the polarity of the DataMatrix code to search for.

Values

0 – Black DataMatrix

1 – White DataMatrix

2 – Both black and white DataMatrix

Default: 0 - Black

See Also

CodeReader Object, DataMatrixConnectDots Property, DataMatrixMinLength Property

DefectAreaExtended Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, LineInspector

Description

Sets / gets whether to use edge results within the defect thresholds to extend the area of the defect.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.DefectAreaExtended*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.DefectAreaExtended*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not calculate extended defect area

1 – True Calculate extended defect area

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

When DefectAreaExtended is True, the system extends the defect area using edge results that are within the defect level thresholds on either side of the found defect.

See Also

LineInspector Object, ArcInspector Object

DefectLevel Result

Applies To

Vision Object: Arc Inspector, Line Inspector

Description

Returns the level of a defect in pixels.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.DefectLevel*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult

Values

Values are in pixels and can be negative or positive.

Remarks

The DefectLevel is the maximum distance of an edge from the line or arc being inspected in pixels. DefectLevel will be greater than DefectLevelThreshPos or less than DefectLevelThreshNeg.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, DefectLevelThreshNeg Property, DefectLevelThreshPos Property, LineInspector Object

DefectLevelThreshNeg Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, LineInspector

Description

Sets / returns the negative defect level threshold.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.DefectLevelThreshNeg*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.DefectLevelThreshNeg*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Default: 2

Range: 0 - 100

Remarks

DefectLevelThreshNeg is the threshold in pixels for a defect under the line or arc being inspected. During inspection, if the defect level of a defect candidate is greater than DefectLevelThreshNeg and less than DefectLevelThreshPos, then the candidate is not considered to be a defect.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Defect Level Result, DefectLevelThreshPos Property, LineInspector Object

DefectLevelThreshPos Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, LineInspector

Description

Sets / returns the positive defect level threshold.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.DefectLevelThreshPos, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.DefectLevelThreshPos, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Default: 2

Range: 0 - 100

Remarks

DefectLevelThreshPos is the threshold in pixels for a defect above the line or arc being inspected. During inspection, if the defect level of a defect candidate is greater than DefectLevelThreshNeg and less than DefectLevelThreshPos, then the candidate is not considered to be a defect.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, DefectLevelThreshNeg Property, LineInspector Object

DetailLevel Property

Applies To

Geometric

Description

Selects the level at which an edge is considered found during the geometric search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.DetailLevel*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.DetailLevel*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

1 – Medium (VISION_DETAILLEVEL_MEDIUM)

2 – High (VISION_DETAILLEVEL_HIGH)

3 - Very High (VISION_DETAILLEVEL_VERYHIGH)

Default: 1 – Medium

Remarks

The DetailLevel property determines what is considered an edge during the search. Edges are defined by the transition in grayscale value between adjacent pixels. The default level (Medium) offers a robust detection of active edges from images with contrast variation, noise, and non-uniform illumination. Nevertheless, in cases where objects of interest have a very low contrast compared to high contrast areas in the image, some low contrast edges can be missed.

If your images contain low-contrast objects, a detail level setting of High should be used to ensure the detection of all important edges in the image. The Very High setting performs an exhaustive edge extraction, including very low contrast edges. However, it should be noted that this mode is very sensitive to noise.

The Smoothness property also affects how edges are extracted.

See Also

Geometric Object, Smoothness Property

DictionaryMode Property

Applies To

Vision Object: OCR

Description

Specifies the dictionary mode.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.DictionaryMode*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.DictionaryMode*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

- 1 – All character type mode
- 2 – English restricted mode
- 3 – Non-use for system dictionary mode

Remarks

OCR recognizes characters by using the system dictionary and user definition dictionary. Common fonts are registered in the system dictionary in advance. Also, the user definition dictionary includes characters used in projects and imported to projects.

The DictionaryMode property switches mode of the system dictionary. The all character type mode is recognized by common fonts used in Europe, the United State, and Japan. The English restricted mode is recognized by common fonts of alphabet (A-Z, a-z), number (0-9), and ASCII character code such as “!,”. The non-use for system dictionary mode uses the user definition dictionary only to recognize.

The user definition dictionary is used all registered characters regardless of the dictionary mode.

See Also

OCR Object

Direction Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector

Description

Specified the direction of the Edge search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Direction*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Direction*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

1 - InsideOut

2 - OutsideIn

Remarks

The Direction property determines the edge detection direction for the ArcFinder and ArcInspector objects. When Direction is InsideOut, edges are searched from RadiusInner to RadiusOuter. When Direction is OutsideIn, edges are searched from RadiusOuter to RadiusInner.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object

DistCorrectCal Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Executes lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction used for vision calibration, and returns calibration status.

Usage

VGet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectCal**, *var*

VSet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectCal**, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Correction has not been completed.

1 – True Calibration has been completed.

Remarks

DistCorrectCal executes lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction used for vision calibration, and returns calibration status.

See Also

DistCorrectCalComplete Result, DistCorrectEnable Property, DistCorrectTargetSeq Property

DistCorrectCalComplete Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns whether lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction used for vision calibration has been completed.

Usage

VGet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectCalComplete**, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

0 – False Calibration has not been completed.

1 – True Calibration has been completed.

Remarks

DistCorrectCalComplete returns whether lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction used for vision calibration has been completed.

See Also

DistCorrectCal Property, DistCorrectEnable Property, DistCorrectTargetSeq Property

DistCorrectEnable Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Enables / disables lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction used for vision calibration and returns calibration status.

Usage

VGet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectEnable**, *var*

VSet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectEnable**, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Lens distortion correction and camera position correction are disabled.

1 – True Lens distortion correction and camera position correction are enabled.

Remarks

DistCorrectEnable enables / disables lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction used for vision calibration and returns calibration status.

Note:

When using the results which are affected by vision calibration result (such as RobotXYU result and Length result), be sure to execute calibration again after changing the values of this property; otherwise, the results affected by calibration result do not return correct values. In such a case, do not use these results.

See Also

DistCorrectCal Property, DistCorrectCalComplete Result, DistCorrectTargetSeq Property

DistCorrectTargetSeq Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Specifies a vision sequence to detect the calibration target in lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction used for the vision calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectTargetSeq**, *var*

VSet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectTargetSeq**, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the result.

value String expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

String containing a vision sequence name

Default: None

Remarks

Specify DistCorrectTargetSeq for all calibrations where lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction are used. For details, refer to *Vision Guide Software 7. Vision Calibration*.

See Also

DistCorrectCal Property, DistCorrectCalComplete Result, DistCorrectTargetSeq Property

DistCorrectType Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Selects or returns which distortion model is applied to lens distortion correction and camera tilt correction for vision calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectType**, *var*

VSet *Calibration*. **DistCorrectType**, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the result.

value String expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

- 1 — Lens distortion 1
 - 2 — Lens distortion 2
 - 3 — Camera tilt distortion
 - 4 — Camera tilt distortion + Lens distortion 1
 - 5 — Camera tilt distortion + Lens distortion 2
- Default: 5

Remarks

Normally, specify the camera tilt correction + lens distortion 2. If the distortion will not be modified, limit the distortion type to modify the distortion to modify it correctly.

Lens distortion 1 is a distortion model that distorts to radius direction.

Lens distortion 2 is a distortion model that distorts to circle direction.

Camera tilt distortion occurs when the sensor surface of the camera and calibration plate surface are not parallel.

See Also

DistCorrectCal Property , DistCorrectCalComplete Result, DistCorrectTargetSeq Property

EdgeCameraXYU Result

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, LineFinder

Description

Returns the CameraX, CameraY and Angle position coordinates of the edges found during the search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.EdgeCameraXYU(result), found, xVar, yVar, uVar*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

found Boolean variable representing whether or not the edge was found.

xVar Real variable that will contain the X coordinate position of the edge.

yVar Real variable that will contain the Y coordinate position of the edge.

uVar Real variable that will contain the angle of the edge search line in the camera coordinate system.

result Edge result number.

Values

found Boolean value which is either True or False

xVar Real number in millimeters

yVar Real number in millimeters

uVar Real number in degrees

Remarks

LineFinder and ArcFinder use several edges to find a line or arc. You can get the position results for each of the searched edges in the camera world by using EdgeCameraXYU.

You must set the CurrentResult property to the LineFinder result whose edge results you want to retrieve. The number of edge results is equal to the NumberOfEdges property.

The *xVar* and *yVar* values are returned in millimeters since the camera coordinate system is calibrated in millimeters. The *uVar* value is returned in degrees.

It should be noted that the EdgeCameraXYU result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been associated with a calibration. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then if VGet is used to retrieve the EdgeCameraXYU result, an error will occur.

The EdgeCameraXYU result can be calculated only when valid calibration data is set to the Calibration property of the vision sequence. If the calibration has not been completed or the Calibration property has not been set, the EdgeCameraXYU result will be an error.

The EdgeCameraXYU result is available at runtime only.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, EdgePixelXYU Result, EdgeRobotXYU Result, LineFinder Object

EdgePixelXYU Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, LineFinder

Description

Returns the PixelX, PixelY and Angle position coordinates of the edges found during the search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.EdgePixelXYU (result) ,found, xVar, yVar, uVar*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

found Boolean variable representing whether or not the edge was found.

xVar Real variable representing the X pixel coordinate position of the edge.

yVar Real variable representing the Y pixel coordinate position of the edge.

uVar Real variable representing the angle of the edge search line in the image coordinate system

result Edge result number.

Values

found Boolean value which is either True or False

xVar Real number in pixels

yVar Real number in pixels

uVar Real number in degrees

Remarks

LineFinder and ArcFinder use several edges to find a line or arc. You can get the position results for each of the searched edges in the image coordinate system by using EdgePixelXYU.

You must set the CurrentResult property to the LineFinder (or ArcFinder) result whose edge results you want to retrieve. The number of edge results is equal to the NumberOfEdges property.

The EdgePixelXYU result is available at runtime only.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, EdgeCameraXYU Result, EdgeRobotXYU Result, LineFinder Object

EdgeRobotXYU Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, LineFinder

Description

Returns the RobotX, RobotY and Angle position coordinates of the edges found during the search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object*.EdgeRobotXYU(*result*), *found*, *xVar*, *yVar*, *uVar*

<i>Sequence</i>	Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.
<i>Object</i>	Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.
<i>found</i>	Boolean variable representing whether or not the edge was found.
<i>xVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the X coordinate position of the edge.
<i>yVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the Y coordinate position of the edge.
<i>uVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the angle of the edge search line in the robot world coordinate system.
<i>result</i>	Edge result number.

Values

<i>found</i>	True or False
<i>xVar</i>	Real number in millimeters
<i>yVar</i>	Real number in millimeters
<i>uVar</i>	Real number in degrees

Remarks

LineFinder and ArcFinder use several edges to find a line or arc. You can get the position results for each of the searched edges in the robot world coordinate system by using EdgeRobotXYU.

You must set the CurrentResult property to the LineFinder (or ArcFinder) result whose edge results you want to retrieve. The number of edge results is equal to the NumberOfEdges property.

The EdgeRobotXYU result returns a position in the robot coordinate system and therefore can be used for robot guidance applications. The EdgeRobotXYU result *xVar* and *yVar* values are always returned in millimeters. The *uVar* value is always returned in degrees.

It should be noted that the EdgeRobotXYU result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then the RobotXYU result cause an error to occur.

The EdgeRobotXYU result is available at runtime only.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, EdgeCameraXYU Result, EdgePixelXYU Result, LineFinder Object

EdgeThreshold Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, Edge, LineFinder

Description

Sets the threshold percentage for which edges with grayscale variation below this value are ignored.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.EdgeThreshold, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.EdgeThreshold, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number from 1 - 100%

Default: 2

Remarks

Use EdgeThreshold to reject edges along the search path with smaller grayscale variations. During an edge search, the image along the search line will be converted to pixels projected onto one line. The EdgeThreshold allows edge values below the setting to be ignored.

See Also

Edge Object, LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object, Strength Result, StrengthTarget Property, StrengthVariation Property

EdgeType Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Sets / gets the type of edge to search for.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.EdgeType*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.EdgeType*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 - Single

2 - Pair

Default: 1 – Single

Remarks

Use **EdgeType** to choose whether to search for a single edge or an edge pair. An edge pair is two opposing edges. The coordinate of the pair is the midpoint of the line between the two edge coordinates.

See Also

Edge Object, LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object, LineInspector Object, ArcInspector Object

EllipseAngle Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcInspector

Description

Specifies angle of the ellipse which is the inspection base line of ArcInspector.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object. EllipseAngle, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object. EllipseAngle, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Specify angle of the ellipse within a range from -90 to 90 degrees.

Remarks

EllipseAngle is used to specify angle of the ellipse when the ellipse is specified as the base line for ArcInspector.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, EllipseMajorDiam Property, EllipseMinorDiam Property, Object Tab

EllipseMajorDiam Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcInspector

Description

Specifies length of the major axis of the ellipse which is the inspection base line of ArcInspector.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object. EllipseAngle, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object. EllipseAngle, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Specify length of the ellipse's major axis in pixels.

Remarks

EllipseMajorDiam is used to specify length of the ellipse's major axis when the ellipse is specified as a base line used by ArcInspector.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, EllipseMinorDiam Property, Object Tab

Enabled Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: All
CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Sets whether or not to execute the object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Enabled*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Enabled*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False The object will not be executed.

1 – True The object will be executed.

Default: 1-True

Remarks

When the Enabled property is set to [0–False], the object will not be executed.

See Also

All Vision objects

EllipseMinorDiam Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcInspector

Description

Specifies length of the minor axis of the ellipse which is the inspection base line of ArcInspector.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object. EllipseAngle*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object. EllipseAngle*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Specify length of the ellipse's minor axis in pixels.

Remarks

EllipseMinorDiam is used to specify length of the ellipse's minor axis when the ellipse is specified as a base line used by ArcInspector.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, EllipseMajorDiam Property, Object Tab

EndPntObjResult Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Specifies which result to use from the EndPointObject.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.EndPntObjResult*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.EndPntObjResult*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The value can be All, or range from 1 to the NumberOfResults value for the EndPointObject. If the EndPointObject is 'Screen', then the value is always 1.

Remarks

EndPntObjResult enables you to attach several objects to the results of one EndPointObject. For example, you could create a Blob object with NumberToFind set to 4. Then you could attach a line object to each one of the results by specifying the blob for the EndPointObject of each line and a different EndPntObjResult for each line. In addition, you can specify All. If both the StartPntObjResult and the EndPntObjResult properties are set to All, then the object will be executed for each result.

See Also

Edge Object, EndPointObject Property, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, StartPntObjResult Property

EndPointObject Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Specifies the vision object to use for the end point of a Line object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.EndPointObject*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.EndPointObject*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property. Valid vision objects for the EndPointObject property are: Blob, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, Line, and Point objects. The Screen may also be used as the EndPointObject.

Values

Screen or any object that runs prior to the Line object.

Default: Screen

Remarks

When a Line object is first created, the EndPointObject property is set to Screen. However, Line objects are normally attached to other vision objects. This is the purpose of the StartPointObject and EndPointObject properties. Through these two properties the user can define a line between any two vision objects (except Frames).

Frame objects cannot be used to define an end point for a Line object. However, this does not cause a limitation because Frames are defined by other vision objects. In those cases where you want to define a line end point with a Frame object, use a Point object in the frame to define the end point of the Line object.

It is important to note that for each specific vision sequence, only those vision objects which are executed in a step prior to the Line object in the vision sequence steps will be available to use as an EndPointObject.

See Also

Edge Object, EndPointType Property, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, StartPointObject Property

EndPointType Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Specifies the type of end point to use for the line object. In most cases the end point type will be a point (which usually means the PixelX and PixelY position of the EndPointObject). However, when the EndPointObject for the current line is a 2nd Line object, the EndPointType property is used to define an intersection point on the 2nd line such as the lines midpoint, endpoint, startpoint or perpendicular position.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.EndPointType, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.EndPointType, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

EndPointObject = Line, LineFinder	EndPointObject = Screen, Blob, Correlation, Geometric, Edge, or Point object
See remarks. Default: 2 – MidPoint	0 – Point When used with objects other than the Line object, the EndPointType can only be of type Point. Default: 0 – Point

Remarks

As shown in the Values table above, many of the EndPointObject properties support only “0 – Point” of the EndPointType property. This is because most EndPointObject properties normally use the PixelX and PixelY position for a reference position for defining a Start or End Point for a line. So when the EndPointObject is set as Screen, Blob, Correlation, Edge, or Point, the EndPointType will always be set to 0 – Point.

The range of valid values for EndPointType depend upon the EndPointObject.

When the EndPointObject is another Line object, the user must decide where on the 2nd line to intersect with the 1st line. The choices are as follows:

- | | |
|--------------------|---|
| 1 - EndPoint | Use the end point of the other line as the endpoint for this line. |
| 2 - MidPoint | Cut the other line in half and use the center (or midpoint of the other line as the endpoint for this line. |
| 3 - Perpendicular | Calculate the position on the 2nd line where the 2 lines intersect in a perpendicular fashion and use this position as the end point. |
| 4 - StartPoint | Use the starting point of the other line as the end point for this line. |
| 5 - PerpToStartPnt | Calculate the position on the 2nd line where the 2 lines intersect in a perpendicular fashion through the start point of the first line and use this position as the end point. |
| 6 - PerpToMidPnt | Calculate the position on the 2nd line where the 2 lines intersect in a perpendicular fashion through the midpoint of the first line and use this position as the end point. |
| 7 - PerpToEndPnt | Calculate the position on the 2nd line where the 2 lines intersect in a perpendicular fashion through the end point of the first line and use this position as the end point. |

If the EndPointObject is modified to a Line object then the EndPointType is automatically changed to MidPoint.

If the EndPointObject is modified to Screen or Blob, Correlation, Edge, or Point object then the EndPointType is automatically changed to 0 - Point.

See Also

Edge Object, EndPointObject Property, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, StartPointType Property

ExportFont Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: OCR

Description

Runs a file dialog from the Vision Guide GUI that allows you to export a font file.

Remarks

Use the ExportFont property to export a font file.

See Also

ImportFont Property, Object Tab, OCR Object

ExposureDelay Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets the delay time between receiving the hardware trigger and starting the exposure.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.ExposureDelay*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.ExposureDelay*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Long value in microseconds.

Default: 0 (microsecond)

Remarks

Use ExposureDelay to set the time delay between the hardware trigger and the exposure start.

See Also

RuntimeAcquire Property, ExposureTime Property, StrobeDelay Property, StrobeTime Property

ExposureTime Property

Applies To

Vision Sequences

Description

Sets the electronic shutter time for a camera.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.ExposureTime*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.ExposureTime*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Long value in microseconds.

Default: 0 (microsecond)

Camera	Default	Application			
		CV1	CV2-S/H	CV2-SA/HA	PC vision
NET 1044 BU	26000 microseconds	✓	✓	✓	-
NET 4133 BU / CU	26000 microseconds	✓	✓	✓	-
NET 1500 BU / CU	26000 microseconds	✓	✓	✓	-
acA640-100gm	8000 microseconds	-	✓	✓	✓
acA640-120gm	8000 microseconds	-	✓	✓	✓
acA1600-20gm / gc	10000 microseconds	-	✓	✓	✓
acA2500-14gm / gc	35000 microseconds	-	✓	✓	✓
acA3800-10gm	35000 microseconds	-	-	✓	✓

Remarks

When RuntimeAcquire is 1–Stationary and ExposureTime = 0, the default exposure time is used, as shown below.

When RuntimeAcquire is 1–Stationary the camera acquires images in the specified shutter time. When the sequence runs, the camera sensor is exposed for the ExposureTime, and then the image is acquired.

See Also

RuntimeAcquire Property, CameraBrightness Property, CameraContrast Property, Sequence Tab

Extrema Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the blob extrema coordinates.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Extrema* [(*result*)], *varMinX*, *varMaxX*, *varMinY*, *varMaxY*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

varMinX Integer variable containing minimum X position of the blob's Extrema.

varMaxX Integer variable containing maximum X position of the blob's Extrema.

varMinY Integer variable containing minimum Y position of the blob's Extrema.

varMaxY Integer variable containing maximum Y position of the blob's Extrema.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

The values returned are always in pixels and may be from 1 – ImageSize property height.

Remarks

The MinX, MaxX, MinY, and MaxY results together define a blob's smallest enclosing rectangle that is aligned with the coordinate axes and completely encloses the blob. This rectangle is known as the extrema. The Extrema result enables you to retrieve all four coordinates in one command.

See Also

Area Result, Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, MinX Result, MaxX Result, MaxY Result, MinY Result, Object Tab

FailColor Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: All vision objects

Description

Sets the object display color when the object is not passed.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.FailColor, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.FailColor, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Sets the object display color when the object is not passed using a string containing the name of the color.

Default: "Red"

Remarks

The FailColor property allows you to set the color used for failed objects.

See Also

Found Result, Graphics Property, PassColor Property, Passed Result

FillHoles Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ImageOp, Blob
CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Sets whether or not to fill the holes when using the binary image.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.FillHoles*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.FillHoles*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not fill the holes.

1 – True Fill the holes.

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

The FillHoles property is available for the ImageOp objects only in binary operation. The property is always available for the Blob objects. When the FillHoles property is set to “1-True”, the holes in the binary image are filled. The holes are areas that are completely enclosed by the objects.

See Also

ImageOp Object, Blob Object

FitError Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: LineFinder, ArcFinder

Description

Returns the line or arc fitting error value.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.**FitError**[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Real type variable containing a value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number indicating the line or arc fitting error.

Remarks

FitError returns root mean square of the distances between each edge point and the found line or arc except the outliers.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, LineFinder Object, MaxError Result

FittingThreshold Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, LineFinder

Applies To

Defines the line or arc fitting threshold.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.FittingThreshold*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.FittingThreshold*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real number in pixels.

Default: 0

Remarks

The FittingThreshold specifies which edge results to use for fitting the line or arc. During the iterative edge search to find the line or arc, if an edge is found whose distance from the line is greater than the FittingThreshold value, then the edge result is not used in the final line or arc fitting.

See Also

LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object, FitError Result

FocusValue Result

Applies To

Vision Object: ImageOp
CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Applies To

Displays a relative focus level.

Applies To

VGet *Sequence.Object.FocusValue, value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

value Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number indicating a relative focus level.

Remarks

The FocusValue result is displayed when “Operation” of the ImageOp object is set to DetectFocus. The FocusValue result shows a relative focus level. The optimum focus can be obtained when the value becomes the minimum.

See Also

ImageOp Object

Found Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, Correlation, Defect Finder, Edge, Frame, Geometric, Line, LineFinder, LineInspector, Point, OCR, Polar

Description

Returns whether or not the object was found.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Found* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

0–False The part was not found

1–True The part was found

Remarks

The Found result simply returns whether or not the part or the current object is looking for was found. For example, and Edge Object returns whether or not an Edge was found and a Correlation object returns whether or not an image was found which matches the taught model.

The Found result also can be acquired by the RobotXYU, PixelXYU, and CameraXYU results.

You can also configure how an object is considered to be Passed by using PassType. For example, set PassType = AllNotFound for DefectFinder object to consider the result as failed if there was a found object (defect).

See Also

Blob Object, CameraXYU Result, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, CurrentResult Property, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, FoundOnEdge Result, Frame Object, Geometric Object, Line Object, LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object, NumberFound Result, NumberToFind Property, Object Tab, OCR Object, Passed Result, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotXYU Result, Score Result, PassType Property

FoundCodeType Result

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Returns the type of the detected bar code.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.FoundCodeType*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable containing the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Returns the type of the detected bar code. For details on values to be acquired, refer to *Remarks* below.

Remarks

Returns the bar code type found in CodeReader object. Return values are constants as shown below.

Code	Constant	Remarks
Codabar	VISION_CODETYPE_CODABAR	
Code39	VISION_CODETYPE_CODE39	
Code128	VISION_CODETYPE_CODE128	
DataMatrix	VISION_CODETYPE_DATAMATRIX	2D code
EAN 8	VISION_CODETYPE_EAN8	
EAN 13	VISION_CODETYPE_EAN13	
Interleaved 2 of 5	VISION_CODETYPE_INTERLEAVED25	Also called ITF
PDF417	VISION_CODETYPE_PDF417	2D code
QR	VISION_CODETYPE_QR	2D code
UPC	VISION_CODETYPE_UPC	
UPC A	VISION_CODETYPE_UPCA	
UPC E	VISION_CODETYPE_UPCE	

The following example displays the name of the found bar code on the screen.

```
Function main
  Integer code
  VRun CodeTest
  VGet CodeTest.Code01.FoundCodeType, code
  Select code
    Case VISION_CODETYPE_CODABAR
      Print "VISION_CODETYPE_CODABAR"
    Case VISION_CODETYPE_CODE39
      Print "VISION_CODETYPE_CODE39"
    Case VISION_CODETYPE_CODE128
      Print "VISION_CODETYPE_CODE128"
    Case VISION_CODETYPE_DATAMATRIX
      Print "VISION_CODETYPE_DATAMATRIX"
```

```
Case VISION_CODETYPE_EAN8
  Print "VISION_CODETYPE_EAN8"
Case VISION_CODETYPE_EAN13
  Print "VISION_CODETYPE_EAN13"
Case VISION_CODETYPE_INTERLEAVED25
  Print "VISION_CODETYPE_INTERLEAVED25"
Case VISION_CODETYPE_PDF417
  Print "VISION_CODETYPE_PDF417"
Case VISION_CODETYPE_QR
  Print "VISION_CODETYPE_QR"
Case VISION_CODETYPE_UPC
  Print "VISION_CODETYPE_UPC"
Case VISION_CODETYPE_UPCA
  Print "VISION_CODETYPE_UPCA"
Case VISION_CODETYPE_UPCE
  Print "VISION_CODETYPE_UPCE"
```

Send

Fend

See Also

[CodeReader Object](#), [CodeType Property](#), [Object Tab](#)

FoundMajorDiam Result

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder

Description

Returns length of the major axis of the ellipse detected by ArcFinder.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object. FoundMajorDiam*, *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable containing the value of the result.

Values

Returns length of the major axis of the detected ellipse in millimeters.

Remarks

Returns length of the major axis of the ellipse detected by ArcFinder in millimeters. To obtain the value in pixels, use the PixelMajorDiam result.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcSearchType Property, FoundMinorDiam Result, PixelMajorDiam Result, PixelMinorDiam Result, Object Tab

FoundMinorDiam Result

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder

Description

Returns length of the minor diameter of the ellipse detected by ArcFinder.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object*. **FoundMajorDiam**, *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable containing the value of the result.

Values

Returns length of the minor diameter of the detected ellipse in millimeters.

Remarks

Returns length of the minor diameter of the ellipse detected by ArcFinder in millimeters. To obtain the value in pixels, use the PixelMinorDiam result.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcSearchType Property, FoundMajorDiam Result, PixelMajorDiam Result, PixelMinorDiam Result, Object Tab

FoundOnEdge Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric

Description

Returns 1–True when an object is found too close to the edge of the search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.FoundOnEdge* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

0–False The object was at the at the edge of the search window and could not be found

1–True The object was found at the edge of the search window

Remarks

The FoundOnEdge result is a special result which works only with the Blob, Correlation, Geometric, and DefectFinder objects.

Sometimes the Vision System tries to report that a Blob, Correlation, Geometric, or DefectFinder object was found even though part of the object may be located outside of the Field of View. Rather than report these objects as Found, Vision Guide can set the Found result to return “0–False” when a Blob, Correlation, Geometric, or DefectFinder object is found but part of the object is outside of the Search Window.

If you want to make the object whose FoundOnEdge result is 1–True as “not found”, set the RejectOnEdge property to 1–True.

Note:

There will be cases where you will use a Correlation or Geometric object and the Found result returns “0–False” even though the Accept property is low. In these situations, check for the FoundOnEdge result and RejectOnEdge property. They may be excluded from the detection result by RejectOnEdge property setting.

See Also

Blob Object, Correlation Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, DefectFinder Object, Object Tab, RejectOnEdge Property, Score Result

FoundRadius Result

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder

Description

Returns the radius of the found circular object in millimeters.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.FoundRadius*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real type variable containing a value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number indicating the radius [Unit: mm]

Remarks

Returns the radius of the found circular object in millimeters.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, Object Tab

FOVHeight Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the FOV (field of view) height of a calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.FOVHeight, var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

FOVHeight is the height of the camera field of view in millimeters. The calibration must be completed before FOVHeight can be retrieved.

See Also

FOVWidth Result, XmmPerPixel Result, YmmPerPixel Result

FOVWidth Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the FOV (field of view) width of a calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.FOVWidth*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

FOVWidth is the width of the camera field of view in millimeters. The calibration must be completed before FOVWidth can be retrieved.

See Also

FOVHeight Result, XmmPerPixel Result, YmmPerPixel Result

Frame Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, ImageOp, Line, LineFinder, LineInspector Point, OCR, Polar

Description

Sets the frame for positioning an object's search position.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Frame*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Frame*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Any Frame object which is executed in the sequence prior to the current vision object can be specified as the Frame property value.

Default: None

Remarks

The Frame property is very useful for aligning objects to specific positions with respect to other objects' found positions. For details, refer to the Frame object description in *Vision Objects*.

The Frame property can be used for any Frame objects which have been defined beforehand when the associated Frame object is located prior to the vision object in the Object Execution Step.

The Object Execution Step List is the list shown on the Sequence Tab which shows the execution order for all objects in the current sequence.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, ColorMatch Object, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Frame Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, Line Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, Point Object, Polar Object

FrameResult Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Blob, Correlation, Geometric, Edge, Polar, Defect Finder, Arc Finder, Line Finder, Point, Line

Description

Sets and returns the result number of the frame to be used.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.FrameResult* , *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.FrameResult* , *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

FrameResult: All (use all results)
 1 - n (use the specified result)

Default: 1

Remarks

Sets the result of the Frame to be used. If the FrameResult property is set to All, the object will be used for all frame results.

See Also

Frame Object, Object Tab

Graphics Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: All

Description

Specifies which graphics to display at runtime and design time. (i.e. Whether to show graphics for each object, just position information, or nothing at all.) For example, you can restrain the result display by setting the Graphics property of the vision objects which do not need to be displayed to “None”.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Graphics*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Graphics*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

- 1 - All Vision constant: VISION_GRAPHICS_ALL
Display object labels, line references, and found position
- 2 - Position Only Vision constant: VISION_GRAPHICS_POSONLY
Display found position only
- 3 - None Vision constant: VISION_GRAPHICS_NONE
Don't display any graphics at run time

Default: 1 – All

Remarks

While graphics such as vision object Labels (which show vision object names), lines, Search Windows, and found position crosshairs are very useful they can get in the way if too many are displayed at the same time. The Graphics property can eliminate unnecessary clutter on the Vision Guide Development, Run or Operator Windows by removing those graphics from objects which the designer specifies.

The Graphics property is used to define the graphics display characteristics for each vision object. These will normally be set to values which, when combined with the Graphics Properties of other vision objects, will help reduce screen display clutter. The Graphics property is normally used to set the graphics characteristics exactly as you would like your final vision solution to display graphics on the Run or Operator Window.

The Graphics property settings for all vision objects can be overridden with the Force All Graphics On and Force Labels Off Vision Guide toolbar buttons.

It is important to note that the Graphics property settings apply to both runtime and design modes. (i.e. the Run Window, Operator Window, and Vision Guide Window) This is done to ensure that the graphics display is always the same regardless of if you run a sequence from the Vision Guide Window or from a program.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Frame Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, Line Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, Point Object, Polar Object

GridColor Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies color of grids displayed in the vision sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*. **GridColor**, *var*

VSet *Sequence*. **GridColor**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Specifies a name of color for grids displayed in sequence execution by a string containing a name of color.

Default: "Dark Gray"

Remarks

Specifies color of grids displayed in a vision sequence.

See Also

Vision Sequence, GridPitchX Property, GridPitchY Property, GridShow Property, GridType Property, GridUnits Property, Sequence Tab

GridPitchX Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies the X pitch of grids displayed in the vision sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*. **GridPitchX**, *var*

VSet *Sequence*. **GridPitchX**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Specifies the X pitch of the grids displayed in the vision sequence. The unit depends on the GridUnits property.

Default: 100

Remarks

Specifies the X pitch of grids displayed in the vision sequence. The unit depends on the GridUnits property.

Note:

If millimeter is specified in the GridUnits property, the grids are displayed only when calibration specified by the sequence is completed.

See Also

Vision Sequence, GridColor Property, GridPitchY Property, GridShow Property, GridType Property, GridUnits Property, Sequence Tab

GridPitchY Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies the Y pitch of grids displayed in the vision sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*. **GridPitchY**, *var*

VSet *Sequence*. **GridPitchY**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Calibration String variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Specifies the Y pitch of grids displayed in the vision sequence. The unit depends on the GridUnits property.

Default: 100

Remarks

Specifies the Y pitch of grids displayed in the vision sequence. The unit depends on the GridUnits property.

Note:

If millimeter is specified in the GridUnits property, the grids are displayed only when calibration specified by the sequence is completed.

See Also

Vision Sequence, GridColor Property, GridPitchX Property, GridShow Property, GridType Property, GridUnits Property, Sequence Tab

GridShow Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies whether to display the grids for the vision sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*. **GridShow**, *var*

VSet *Sequence*. **GridShow**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Grids are not displayed.

1 – True Grids are displayed.

Default: 0 - False

Remarks

Specifies whether or not to display the grids when executing the sequence.

Note:

If millimeter is specified in the GridUnits property, the grids are displayed only when calibration specified by the sequence is completed.

See Also

Vision Sequence, GridColor Property, GridPitchX Property, GridPitchY Property, GridType Property, GridUnits Property, Sequence Tab

GridType Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies a type of grids displayed in the vision sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*. **GridType**, *var*

VSet *Sequence*. **GridType**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Specifies a type of grids displayed in the sequence execution.

1 – CrossHair Displays a crosshair at the center of the camera image
(VISION_GRIDTYPE_CROSSHAIR)

2 – Rectangle Displays grids with specified XY pitches. (VISION_GRIDTYPE_RECTANGLE)

Default: 1 - CrossHair

Remarks

Specifies a type of the grids displayed in the vision sequence.

Note:

If millimeter is specified in the GridUnits property, the grids are displayed only when calibration specified by the sequence is completed.

See Also

Vision Sequence, GridColor Property, GridPitchX Property, GridPitchY Property, GridShow Property, GridUnits Property, Sequence Tab

GridUnits Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

When the grid type for the vision sequence is Rectangle, specifies the unit of GridPitchX and GridPitchY property values.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*. **GridUnits**, *var*

VSet *Sequence*. **GridUnits**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 – Pixel Pixels (VISION_GRIDUNITS_PIXEL)

2 – MM Millimeters (VISION_GRIDUNITS_MM)

Default: 1 - Pixel

Remarks

When the grid type for the vision sequence is Rectangle, specifies the unit of GridPitchX and GridPitchY property values.

See Also

Vision Sequence, GridColor Property, GridPitchX Property, GridPitchY Property, GridShow Property, GridType Property, Sequence Tab

HDRMode Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence
CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Displays the captured image as the HDR (High Dynamic Range) image.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.HDRMode*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.HDRMode*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the result.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Displays the normal image.

1 – True Displays the HDR image.

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

Displays the captured image as the HDR (High Dynamic Range) image.
Brightness of the HDR image can be adjusted in the ExposureTime property.

See Also

ExposureTime Property

Holes Result

Applies To

Vision Object: Blob

Description

Returns the number of holes found within a Blob object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Holes* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property.
If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult

Values

Valid values are zero to the number of holes found.

Remarks

A hole is a blob with opposite polarity located within the blob that was found. Holes that intersect the edge of the blob are not counted.

See Also

Blob Object, Compactness Result, Object Tab, Perimeter Result, Roughness Result

ImageBuffer Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies which image buffer to use for a sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.ImageBuffer*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.ImageBuffer*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0-10.

Default: 0

Remarks

When a sequence takes a picture or searches for objects, it uses the image buffer specified with the ImageBuffer property. When ImageBuffer is 0, the camera image buffer is used. ImageBuffer 1 – 10 are global image buffers that are shared between all sequences in the project. Using shared image buffers, you can acquire an image with the one sequence and search the image acquired by that sequence with other sequences. When you are only using the image that has already been acquired by another sequence, you must set the sequence RuntimeAcquire property to None, and set the ImageBuffer property as needed.

Example

In the following example, the robot is moved to five camera positions and a picture is taken at each position into an image buffer. Then, the acquired image is searched by another sequence .Function FindParts

```
Integer i

' Move the camera to 5 positions and grab an image into 5 buffers
For i = 1 to 5
  Go P(100 + i)
  VSet TakePicture.ImageBuffer, i
  VRun TakePicture
Next i

' Signal to other tasks that we are done with the robot
MemOn ScanFinished

' Search for a part in each image
' The SearchPart sequence RuntimeAcquire property is set to None
For i = 1 to 5
  VSet SearchPart.ImageBuffer, i
  VRun SearchPart
  VGet SearchPart.Blob01.Found, g_PartFound(i)
Next i
Fend
```

ImageBuffer1 Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ImageOp

Description

Sets and returns the first source image buffer to be used for the SubtractAbs operation.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ImageBuffer1* , *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ImageBuffer1*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

ImageBuffer1: 0 to 10

Default: 0

Remarks

Specifies the image buffer number where the first source image data of the SubtractAbs operation is stored.

See Also

ImageOpe Object, Object Tab

ImageBuffer2 Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ImgOpe

Description

Sets and returns the second source image buffer to be used for the SubtractAbs operation.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ImageBuffer2, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ImageBuffer2, value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

ImageBuffer2: 0 to 10

Default: 0

Remarks

Specifies the image buffer number where the second image data of the SubtractAbs operation is stored.

Example

ImageOpe Object, Object Tab

ImageColor Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies how the color image is acquired.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.**ImageColor**, *var*

VSet *Sequence*.**ImageColor**, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

- | | |
|---------------|--|
| 1 – All | Vision constant: VISION_IMAGECOLOR_ALL
Acquire all three color bands: Red, Green, and Blue. |
| 2 – Red | Vision constant: VISION_IMAGECOLOR_RED
Acquire only the red color band. |
| 3 – Green | Vision constant: VISION_IMAGECOLOR_GREEN
Acquire only the green color band. |
| 4 – Blue | Vision constant: VISION_IMAGECOLOR_BLUE
Acquire only the blue color band. |
| 5 – Grayscale | Vision constant: VISION_IMAGECOLOR_GRAYSCALE
Acquire a grayscale image. |

Default: 1 - All

Remarks

Use the ImageColor property to configure which color band(s) to acquire. This property is only available for color cameras.

ImageFile Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets or returns the image file for the current sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.**ImageFile**, *var*

VSet *Sequence*.**ImageFile**, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

String containing the path of the image file.

Default: None

Remarks

Set the ImageFile property to use images stored on disk by the SaveImage property or by VSaveImage for the current vision sequence. When you set ImageFile, ImageSource is automatically set to File.

To set the value to None from the Vision Guide window, select the ImageFile property, then press the Del key.

To specify the file in the USB memory of CV1, put "CVUSB" at the beginning.

Supported formats for bitmap files:

(All of the following conditions must be satisfied.)

Uncompressed Windows Bitmap

Bit depth: either of 8, 16 (RGB555), 24, or 32 (RGB888)

Following formats are not supported.

OS/2

Compressed files

Bit depth: 1, 4

See Also

Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences, SaveImage Property, ImageSource Property

ImageFileScale Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets the scale for the image specified with the ImageFile property.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ImageFileScale*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ImageFileScale*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value specifying the image scale.

Default: 0

Remarks

By default (ImageFileScale = 0), an image file is automatically scaled to ImageSize. Set ImageFileScale to specify a scale. For example, if ImageFileScale is set to 1, then the image from the file is scaled by a factor of 1 (no change). If ImageFileScale is set to 2, then the image is twice as large, and so on. The image is scaled from the top left corner and portions of the image that are outside of ImageSize are cropped. If the scaled image is smaller than ImageSize, then the remaining portions of the grab image are filled with black.

See Also

Sequence Tab, ImageFile Property, ImageSize Property

ImageSize Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets and returns the image size of the search image.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.ImageSize*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.ImageSize*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

Specify the constant which represents the image size. For details on available constants, refer to *Remarks*.

Remarks

Sets the image size for the search image. When ImageSource is Camera, ImageSize specifies the size of the image that is transferred from the camera. This allows for faster image acquisition when using lower resolutions. When ImageSource is File, ImageSize specifies the size of the file image.

You cannot set the ImageSize to a value that is larger than the maximum image size supported by the current camera.

Available constants are as follows:

Vision constant name	Resolution
VISION_IMAGESIZE_320X240	Image width: 320, image height: 240
VISION_IMAGESIZE_640X480	Image width: 640, image height: 480
VISION_IMAGESIZE_800X600	Image width: 800, image height: 600
VISION_IMAGESIZE_1024X768	Image width: 1024, image height: 768
VISION_IMAGESIZE_1280X1024	Image width: 1280, image height: 1024
VISION_IMAGESIZE_1600X1200	Image width: 1600, image height: 1200
VISION_IMAGESIZE_2048X1536	Image width: 2048, image height: 1536
VISION_IMAGESIZE_2560X1920	Image width: 2560, image height: 1920

See Also

Vision Sequence, ImageFile Property, ImageFileScale Property

ImageSource Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets or returns the current image input source for the sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.ImageSource, var*

VSet *Sequence.ImageSource, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

1 – Camera (VISION_IMAGESOURCE_CAMERA)

2 – File (VISION_IMAGESOURCE_FILE)

Default: 1 - Camera

Remarks

ImageSource sets the input source of the image data. When ImageSource is set to “File”, the image data will be acquired from the image file set in the ImageFile property and the sequence will be executed.

If the ImageFile property is set to a valid image file, then the ImageSource property will automatically be set to 2 - File.

See Also

Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences, ImageFile Property, ImageSize Property

ImportFont Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Objects: OCR

Description

Runs a file dialog from the Vision Guide GUI that allows you to import a font file.

Remarks

Use the ImportFont property to import a font file that has been previously exported with the ExportFont property. You can import font files created in any project.

See Also

ExportFont Property, OCR Object

Index Property

Applies To

Vision sequence, Vision object

Description

Returns the index number of the vision sequence and vision object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Index, var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that contains the property.

Values

Integer equals to or larger than 1

Remarks

The Index property returns the index number of the vision sequence and vision object. The index number of the vision sequence is given automatically at the time of sequence creation. It will also be displayed on the sequence name drop-down list of the sequence tab. The index numbers of the vision objects are given in the order of the object definitions in the vision sequence and will be the order of object execution. It will also be displayed on the object name drop-down list of the vision object tab.

The Index value is necessary when running sequences from Extended Remote I/O.

See Also

Sequence Tab, Object Tab

InspectEndOffset Property

Applies To

ArcInspector, LineInspector

Description

Sets / returns the end inspection offset.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.InspectEndOffset, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.InspectEndOffset, value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value in pixels or degrees.

Default: 15

Remarks

When inspecting a line or arc, you may not always want to inspect the entire line. Use `InspectEndOffset` and `InspectStartOffset` to specify the portion of the line or arc you want to inspect.

For `LineInspector`, the offsets are in pixels. For `ArcInspector`, the offsets are in degrees.

See Also

Arc Inspector Object, `InspectStartOffset` Property, Line Inspector Object

InspectStartOffset Property

Applies To

ArcInspector, LineInspector

Description

Sets / returns the start inspection offset.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.InspectStartOffset, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.InspectStartOffset, value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value in pixels or degrees.

Default: 15

Remarks

When inspecting a line or arc, you may not always want to inspect the entire line. Use `InspectEndOffset` and `InspectStartOffset` to specify the portion of the line or arc you want to inspect.

For `LineInspector`, the offsets are in pixels. For `ArcInspector`, the offsets are in degrees.

See Also

Arc Inspector Object, `InspectEndOffset` Property, Line Inspector Object

InvalidChar Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: OCR

Description

Sets / returns the invalid character used in the Text result.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.InvalidChar*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.InvalidChar*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

String for one character.

Default: "?"

Remarks

The InvalidChar property specifies the substitute character to be displayed after the OCR search if character could not be determined.

See Also

Object Tab, OCR Object, CharToTeach Property, Text Result

Iterations Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ImageOp

Description

Sets/returns how many times to execute the image operation.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Iterations, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Iterations, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 ~ 99

Default: 1

Remarks

The Iterations property affects the following ImageOp operations:

Open, Close, Erode, Dilate, Smooth, Sharpen1, Sharpen2, Thin, Thicken.

See Also

ImageOp Object, Operation Property

ITFChecksumEnabled Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to use the checksum for Interleaved 2 of 5 (ITF) code type.

Remarks

Sets whether to use the checksum for Interleaved 2 of 5 (ITF) code type.

Default: False

See Also

CodeReading Object, ITFOutputChecksum Property

ITFOutputChecksum Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to include the checksum value in an Interleaved 2 of 5 (ITF) Text result.

Remarks

Sets whether to include the checksum value in an Interleaved 2 of 5 (ITF) Text result.

Default: True

See Also

CodeReading Object, ITFChecksumEnabled Property

KeepRGBRatio Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ImageOp

Description

Sets / gets whether to maintain the ratio between R, G, B for the ColorStretch operation.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.KeepRGBRatio*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.KeepRGBRatio*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not maintain the ratio between R, G, B for ColorStretch.

1 – True Maintain the ratio between R, G, B for ColorStretch.

Default: 1 – True

Remarks

For the ImageOp ColorStretch operation, KeepRGBRatio sets whether to maintain the ratio between R, B, G values when performing the stretch. When KeepRGBRatio is false, the R, G, and B values are stretched individually.

See Also

ImageOp Object, MaxRGB Property, MinRGB Property

KernelHeight Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: DefectFinder

Description

Sets / returns the intensity of vertical de-noising for DefectFinder.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object*.**KernelHeight**, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object*.**KernelHeight**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer from 1 - 15

Default: 3

Remarks

Sets and returns the intensity of vertical de-noising for DefectFinder. Setting value ranges from 1 to 15. Setting the KernelHeight property to 15 sets the de-noising intensity to maximum. Although a large setting value reduces the influence of noise, it also rejects small defects. Therefore, detectable defect size needs to be larger than the KernelHeight value. Adjust to an appropriate value according to the size of defect to be detected.

See Also

DefectFinder Object, KernelWidth Property

KernelWidth Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: DefectFinder

Description

Sets / returns the intensity of horizontal de-noising at DefectFinder.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object*.**KernelWidth**, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object*.**KernelWidth**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer from 1 - 15

Default: 3

Remarks

Sets and returns the intensity of horizontal de-noising at DefectFinder. Setting value ranges from 1 to 15. Setting the KernelWidth property to “15” sets the de-noising intensity to maximum. Although a large setting value reduces the influence of noise, it also rejects small defects. Therefore, detectable defect size needs to be larger than the KernelWidth value. Adjust to an appropriate value according to the size of defect to be detected.

See Also

DefectFinder Object, KernelHeight Property

LabelBackColor Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: All

Description

Sets the background color for an object's label.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.LabelBackColor*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.LabelBackColor*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

String containing the name of the label background color.

Default: "Transparent"

Remarks

With some images, it is difficult to see the label because of the colors or shades of gray in the video image. Use LabelBackColor to make the label easier to read.

See Also

PassColor Property, FailColor Property

Lamp Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the output bit used to turn on a lamp at the calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.Lamp*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.Lamp*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value of a valid standard output bit.

Default: None

Remarks

Use the Lamp property to automatically turn on a lamp for calibration. Use the LampDelay property to allow time for a lamp to turn on before calibration continues.

See Also

LampDelay Property, UpwardLamp Property

LampDelay Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the amount of time to wait for a calibration lamp to turn on.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.LampDelay, var*

VSet *Calibration.LampDelay, value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real number in seconds

Remarks

Use the LampDelay property to allow time for a lamp to turn on before calibration continues. This is especially useful for a lighting apparatus, such as a fluorescent lamp, which requires time until the light source becomes stable.

See Also

Lamp Property, MotionDelay Property, UpwardLamp Property

Length Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Line, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Returns a distance between the starting and ending points of the line in millimeters in the camera coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Length*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property.
If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

The value returned is always in millimeters and may be from 0 on up. This actual number represents the length of the line in the camera coordinate system and depends upon calibration in order to return a value.

Remarks

The Length result can only be returned if calibration has been performed because the length is measured in millimeters.

The Length result can be used for inspection and measurement applications where measurements are required. (For example, to measure spark plug gaps.)

For ArcInspector and LineInspector, Length is the length of a defect area.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Calibration, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, PixelLength Result

LineObject Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: LineInspector

Description

Defines a LineFinder object that is used to locate a line for LineInspector to inspect.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.LineObject*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.LineObject*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

None, or the name of a LineFinder object whose step number is prior to the step number of the LineInspector object.

Default: None

Remarks

By default, the LineInspector inspects the line defined by the X1, Y1, X2, Y2 properties. You can search for the line first using a LineFinder by setting the LineObject property to the LineFinder.

See Also

LineFinder Object, LineObjResult Property

LineObjResult Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: LineInspector

Description

Specifies the result which the LineObject property uses.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.LineObjResult*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.LineObjResult*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

LineObjResult can be set to “All”, or you can specify which result to use. By using “All”, results will be created for each LineObject result.

Default: 1

Remarks

LineObjResult enables you to attach several objects to the results of one LineObject.

See Also

LineInspector Object, LineObject Property

LineObj1Result Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Point

Description

Sets / returns which result to use for the object specified with the LineObject1 property.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.LineObj1Result*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.LineObj1Result*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 – 100.

Default: 1

Remarks

Sets / returns which result to use for the object specified with the LineObject1 property. The Line object itself does not have more than one result. However, when it is dependent other objects, such as a Frame object, it may have several results. In such cases, this property sets what number of the result values to be used.

See Also

Line Object, LineObject1 Property, LineObject2 Property, LineObj2Result Property, Point Object, PointType Property, Object Tab

LineObj2Result Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Point

Description

Sets / returns what number of detection results for Line objects set in the LineObject2 property to be used.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.LineObj2Result*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.LineObj2Result*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 – 100.

Default: 1

Remarks

Sets / returns which result to use for the object specified with the LineObject2 property. The Line object itself does not have more than one result. However, when it is dependent other objects, such as a Frame object, it may have several results. In such cases, this property sets what number of the result values to be used.

See Also

Line Object, LineObject1 Property, LineObject2 Property, LineObj1Result Property, Point Object, PointType Property, Object Tab

LineObject1 Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Point

Description

Specifies the 1st Line object to use for defining the position of a Point object. (LineObject1 defines the line which is used by the PointType property for defining the position of the Point object.)

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.LineObject1*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.LineObject1*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Any Line object which is located prior to the Point object can be specified as the LineObject1 property value.

Default: None

Remarks

When a Point object is first created, the default LineObject1 property is set to None. However, if you want to position a point on the midpoint of a line, then the LineObject1 property defines which Line object to use. In this case the LineObject1 property must be set first and then the PointType property can be set to 1–MidPoint. A MidPoint of a line can only be specified for LineObject1. (i.e. you cannot specify the MidPoint of the LineObject2 property.)

LineObject1 can also be used to define the 1st of 2 lines when you want to define a Point object position as the intersection point between 2 lines. (LineObject2 defines the other Line to use for the intersection point.)

It is important to note that for each specific vision sequence, only those Line objects which are executed prior to the Point object in the vision sequence steps will be available to use as LineObject1. (The order of the vision object execution can be changed from the Sequence Tab.)

Click on the LineObject1 property Value Field and a drop down list will appear showing a list of available Line objects which can be used for the LineObject1 property. Click on one of the choices and the value field will be set accordingly.

See Also

Line Object, LineObject2 Property, Object Tab, Point Object, PointType Property

LineObject2 Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Point

Description

Specifies the 2nd Line object to use for defining the position of a Point object when that position is defined by the intersection point of 2 lines. (LineObject1 and LineObject2 together define 2 lines whose intersection point can be defined as the position of the Point object.)

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.LineObject2*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.LineObject2*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Any Line object which is located prior to the Point object can be specified as the LineObject2 property value.

Default: None

Remarks

The LineObject2 property is only required when you want to define the position of a Point object as the position of intersection between 2 Lines. In this case LineObject1 must also specify a Line object before the PointType property can be set. Once the lines are defined for LineObject1 and LineObject2, the PointType property can be set to Intersection. However, if either the LineObject1 or LineObject property is not yet defined then an error will occur when trying to set the PointType property to Intersection.

It is important to note that for each specific vision sequence, only those Line objects which are executed prior to the Point object in the vision sequence steps will be available to use as LineObject2. (The order of the vision object execution can be changed from the Sequence Tab.)

Click on the LineObject2 property Value Field and a drop down list will appear showing a list of available Line objects which can be used for the LineObject2 property. Click on one of the choices and the value field will be set accordingly.

Set the LineObject2 property it is important to note that only those objects which are defined prior to the Point object are displayed in the drop down list. This helps reduce the chances of the user defining a Line object which isn't defined prior to the Point object.

Vision Guide automatically checks which vision objects may be used as LineObject2 and only displays those items in the LineObject2 drop down list.

See Also

Line Object, LineObject1 Property, Object Tab, Point Object, PointType Property

MajorDiameter Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the major axis of the detected blob approximated to an ellipse.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object*.**MajorDiameter**[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

Real number representing the pixel length of the major axis

Remarks

Returns the major axis of the detected blob approximated to an ellipse. The unit is pixel.

The minor axis can be acquired by the MinorDiameter result.

See Also

Blob Object, Area Result, Extrema Result, MinorDiameter Result

MaxArea Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, DefectFinder, LineInspector

Description

Defines the upper limit of detection for the an object. Blobs which exceed the MaxArea property value cannot be found.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MaxArea*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MaxArea*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 - (the area of the search window)

Default: 100,000

Remarks

For Blob and DefectFinder objects, the MinArea and MaxArea Properties set a range for the Blob object detection. Blobs which exceed the MaxArea property value cannot be found. (i.e. the Found result is returned as False.)

For ArcInspector and LineInspector objects, the MinArea and MaxArea Properties set a range for the area of a defect. Defects which exceed the MaxArea property value cannot be found. (i.e. the Found result is returned as False.)

When a new Blob object is created, the range between the MinArea property and MaxArea property is quite large because the default values are set at 25 and 100,000 respectively. This means that in most situations the Blob object will return a Found result as 1–True since the range for Blobs is so wide. In most applications it is useful to set a tighter range between the MinArea and MaxArea Properties but of course these values will vary from application to application. Set the MinArea and MaxArea Properties according to each application.

Do not set the range between MinArea and MaxArea too large. If the range is too large, it may result in false detection.

See Also

Area Result, Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, LineInspector Object, ArcInspector Object, MinArea Property, MinMaxArea Property, Object Tab

MaxError Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, LineFinder

Description

Returns a distance from the found line or circular object to the furthest detection edge position.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.MaxError, *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Actual value equals to or larger than 0 [Unit: pixel]

Remarks

Returns a distance from the found line or circular object to the furthest detection edge position.

See Also

LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object

MaxFeretDiameter Result

Applies To

Vision Object: Blob

Description

Returns the maximum feret diameter of the found blob.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.MaxFeretDiameter, *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Actual value equals to or larger than 0 [Unit: pixel]

Remarks

Returns the maximum feret diameter (the maximum value among the feret diameters when dividing the direction into eight)

See Also

Blob Object, Area Result, Angle Result, Extrema Result, MajorDiameter Result, MinorDiameter Result

MaxLength Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line

Description

Defines the upper length limit for the Line object. For a Line to be found it must have a Length result shorter than the value set for MaxLength property.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MaxLength*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MaxLength* , *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 or higher

Default: 1000

Remarks

The MinLength and MaxLength Properties set a range of length of lines to be found for the Line object. (i.e. the Found result is returned as 0–False.)

This is useful when you want to gauge the length of a line in millimeters. To gauge a line in pixels, use the MinPixelLength and MaxPixelLength properties.

See Also

Line Object, MinLength Property, MinPixelLength Property, MaxPixelLength Property, Object Tab

MaxPixelLength Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line

Description

Sets the upper pixel length limit for the Line object. For a Line to be found it must have a PixelLength result shorter than the value set for MaxPixelLength property.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MaxPixelLength*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MaxPixelLength* , *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 or higher in pixels

Default: 1000

Remarks

The MinPixelLength and MaxPixelLength Properties set a range of length of lines to be found for the Line object. (i.e. the Found result is returned as 0–False.)

This is useful when you want to gauge the length of a line in pixels. To gauge a line in Millimeters, use the Length and MaxLength properties.

See Also

Line Object, MinLength Property, MaxLength Property, MinPixelLength Property, Object Tab

MaxRGB Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ImageOp

Description

Defines the upper color limits for the ImageOp ColorStretch operation.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MaxRGB*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MaxRGB* , *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Long values formatted as RGB colors (&Hrrggbb).

Default: &HFFFFFF (White)

Remarks

MinRGB and MaxRGB are used to specify the minimum and maximum RGB values to use for the ColorStretch operation of ImageOpe.

See Also

ImageOp Object, MinRGB Property

MaxX Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the maximum X pixel coordinate of the blob extrema.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MaxX* [(*result*)] , *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

The value returned is always in pixels and may be from 1 - video width.

Remarks

The MinX, MaxX, MinY, and MaxY results return a blob's smallest enclosing rectangle that is aligned with the coordinate axes and completely encloses the blob. This rectangle is known as the Extrema.

See Also

Area Result, Blob Object, Extrema Result, MaxY Result, MinX Result, MinY Result, Object Tab

MaxY Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the maximum Y pixel coordinate of the blob extrema.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MaxY [(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in pixels.

Remarks

The MinX, MaxX, MinY, and MaxY results return a blob's smallest enclosing rectangle that is aligned with the coordinate axes and completely encloses the blob. This rectangle is known as the Extrema.

See Also

Area Result, Blob Object, Extrema Result, MaxX Result, MinX Result, MinY Result, Object Tab

MinArea Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, DefectFinder, LineInspector

Description

Sets the lower limit for the Blob object detection. Blobs which are smaller than the MinArea property value cannot be found.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MinArea*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MinArea* , *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 - MaxArea in pixels

Default: 25

Remarks

For Blob and DefectFinder objects, the MinArea and MaxArea Properties set a range for the Blob object detection. Blobs which exceed the MaxArea property value cannot be found. (i.e. the Found result is returned as False.)

For ArcInspector and LineInspector objects, the MinArea and MaxArea Properties set a range for the area of a defect. Defects which exceed the MaxArea property value cannot be found. (i.e. the Found result is returned as False.)

When a new Blob object is created, the range between the MinArea property and MaxArea property is quite large because the default values are set at 25 and 100,000 respectively. This means that in most situations the Blob object will return a Found result as 1–True since the range is large. In most applications it is useful to set a tighter range between the MinArea and MaxArea Properties but of course there values will vary from application to application. Set the MinArea and MaxArea Properties according to each application.

Do not set the range between MinArea and MaxArea too large. If the range is too large, it may result in false detection.

See Also

Area Result, Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, LineInspector Object, ArcInspector Object, MaxArea Property, Object Tab

MinorDiameter Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the minor axis of the detected blob approximated to an ellipse.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MinorDiameter*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property.
If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

Real representing the pixel length of the minor axis

Remarks

Returns the minor axis of the detected blob approximated to an ellipse. The unit is pixel.

The major axis can be acquired by the MajorDiameter result.

See Also

Blob Object, Area Result, Extrema Result, MajorDiameter Result

MinLength Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line

Description

Defines the lower length limit for the Line object. For a Line to be found it must have a Length result above the value set for MinLength property.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MinLength*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MinLength* , *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real number in millimeters

Default: 0

Remarks

The purpose of the MinLength and MaxLength Properties is to set a range for the Line object such that if a line length does not fit within the range then it is considered not found.

This is useful when you want to gauge the length of a line in millimeters. To gauge a line in pixels, see the MinPixelLength and MaxPixelLength properties.

See Also

Line Object, MaxLength Property, MinPixelLength Property, MaxPixelLength Property, Object Tab

MinMaxArea Property

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob

Description

Defines the lower and upper Area limits for the Blob object. For a Blob to be found it must have an Area result greater than the MinArea property and less than the MaxArea property. (MinMaxArea property was added to allow easy manipulation of both the MinArea and MaxArea Properties from one function call in the SPEL⁺ language.)

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MinMaxArea, minVar, maxVar*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MinMaxArea, minVar, maxVar*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

minVar Long variable containing the minimum area to get from or set to the MinArea property

maxVar Long variable containing the maximum area to get from or set to the MaxArea property

Values

All values are in pixels.

For details, refer to MaxArea Property or MinArea Property.

Remarks

The purpose of the MinMaxArea property is to provide a single function call from the SPEL⁺ language to allow the setting of both the MinArea and MaxArea Properties.

Do not set the MinMaxArea setting too large. If the range is too large, it may result in false detection.

See Also

Area Result, Blob Object, MaxArea Property, MinArea Property, Object Tab

MinPixelLength Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line

Description

Defines the lower length limit for the Line object. For a Line to be found it must have a PixelLength result above the value set for MinPixelLength property.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MinPixelLength*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MinPixelLength* , *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 or higher actual number in pixels

Default: 0

Remarks

The purpose of the MinPixelLength and MaxPixelLength Properties is to set a range for the Line object such that if a line pixel length does not fit within the range then it is considered not found.

This is useful when you want to gauge the length of a line in pixels. To gauge a line in Millimeters, see the MinLength and MaxLength properties. The default settings allow most lines to be found.

See Also

Line Object, MaxLength property, MinLength property, MaxPixelLength property, Object Tab

MinRGB Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ImageOp

Description

Defines the lower color limits for the ImageOp ColorStretch operation.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MinRGB, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MinRGB, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Long values formatted as RGB colors (&Hrrggbb).

Default: &H000000 (Black)

Remarks

MinRGB and MaxRGB are used to specify the minimum and maximum RGB values to use for the ColorStretch operation of ImageOpe.

See Also

ImageOp Object, KeepRGBRatio Property, MaxRGB Property

MinX Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the minimum X pixel coordinate of the blob extrema.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MinX* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Integer number in pixels

Remarks

The MinX, MaxX, MinY, and MaxY results together return a blob's smallest enclosing rectangle that is aligned with the coordinate axes and completely encloses the blob. This rectangle is known as the extrema.

See Also

Area Result, Blob Object, MaxX Result, MaxY Result, MinY Result, Object Tab

MinY Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the minimum Y pixel coordinate of the blob extrema.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MinY* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Integer number in pixels

Remarks

The MinX, MaxX, MinY, and MaxY results together return a blob's smallest enclosing rectangle that is aligned with the coordinate axes and completely encloses the blob. This rectangle is known as the Extrema.

See Also

Area Result, Blob Object, MaxX Result, MaxY Result, MinX Result, Object Tab

MissingEdgeType Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder, LineFinder, ArcInspector, LineInspector

Description

Sets / returns how to handle missing edges.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.MissingEdgeType, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.MissingEdgeType, value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 – Interpolate. Determine the edge location from neighbor edges.

2 – StartPoint. Set the edge position to the start of the edge search.

3 – EndPoint. Set the edge position to the end of the edge search.

4 – Zero. Set the edge position to zero (on the line or arc).

Default: 1

Remarks

Use MissingEdgeType to specify how to handle a missing edge during the edge search used to find or inspect a line or arc.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, LineFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, LineInspector Object

ModelColor Property

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, ImageOp

Description

Gets / sets the color of a model.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelColor*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelColor*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression that will contain the new value of the property.

Values

The color of the model in the format &Hrrggbb (red, green, blue) when ColorMode = RGB, and &Hhhhssvv when ColorMode = HSV.

Remarks

The ModelColor property is used to set the color of a model at runtime. Before setting the ModelColor, you must first set the CurrentModel property to the desired model.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, CurrentModel Property, ImageOp Object, ModelName Property

ModelColorTol Property

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, ImageOp

Description

Gets / sets the color tolerance of a model.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelColorTol*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelColorTol*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression that will contain the new value of the property.

Values

The color tolerance of the model. The value depends on the ColorMode setting.

If ColorMode = RGB, then the tolerance is a long value from 0 – 442. For RGB, the tolerance is the radius for a color circle where the red, green, and blue values of the ModelColor are at the center of the circle. The default is 0 for ColorMatch and 10 for ImageOp ColorFilter.

If ColorMode = HSV, then the tolerance is in the format &Hhhs $\nu\nu$, where *hh* is the hue tolerance from 0 – 359, *ss* is the saturation tolerance from 0 – 255, and *$\nu\nu$* is the value tolerance from 0 – 255. The default is 50 (0,0,50).

Remarks

The ModelColorTol property is used to set the color tolerance of a model at runtime.

See Also

ImageOp Object, ColorMatch Object, ModelColor Property

ModelName Property

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch

Description

Gets / sets the name of a model.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelName*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelName*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression that will contain the new value of the property.

Values

The name of the model.

Remarks

The ModelName property is used to set the name of a model at runtime. Before you can set the ModelName, you must first set CurrentModel to the desired model.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, CurrentModel Property, ModelColor Property

ModelObject Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, Correlation, Geometric, Polar

Description

Determines which model to use for searching.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelObject*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelObject*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Self Use the model for this object to search with.

objectName Use the model for this object.

Default: Self

Remarks

The ModelObject property enables you to use one model for several objects of the same type. For example, if you have 5 polar objects that all search for the same part, you can teach the model for the first polar object, then set the ModelObject for the remaining polar objects to "Polar01" (the first polar object).

Note that you cannot set the ModelObject property to an object whose ModelObject property is not 'Self'.

See Also

ColorMatch Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Polar object, Object Tab

ModelOK Property

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric, OCR, Polar

Description

Returns the status of an object's model.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelOK*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

Values

0 – False

1 – True

Remarks

If the model has been taught, ModelOK will return 1–True. You can ensure that the sequence will run before running a sequence.

See Also

Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ModelObject Property, OCR Object, Polar object, DefectFinder Object, VTeach

ModelOrgAutoCenter Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

A model has a fixed reference point by which a location of the model in the image is indicated. This point is referred to as the model origin. The ModelOrgAutoCenter property sets the model origin at the center of the model window automatically.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelOrgAutoCenter*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelOrgAutoCenter*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not cause the model origin to be automatically positioned

1 – True Automatically position the model origin at the center of the model window

Default: 1 – True

Remarks

The model origin can be set anywhere within the region defined by the model window. The origin's coordinates define the model origin relative to the model window's upper left corner, that is, relative to the location of element [0][0] of the model window that defines the model.

The ModelOrgAutoCenter property sets the model origin at the center of the model window whenever the model window is moved or resized.

If the ModelOrgAutoCenter property is set to 1–True, then the ModelOrgX and ModelOrgY Properties cannot be used to reposition the model origin.

See Also

Anatomy of a Vision Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ModelOrgX Property, ModelOrgY Property, Object Tab

ModelOrgFindCenter Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Geometric

Description

A model has a fixed reference point by which a location of the model in the image is indicated. This point is referred to as the model origin. The ModelOrgFindCenter property sets the model origin at the rotation center of the model edge automatically.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object. ModelOrgFindCenter*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object. ModelOrgFindCenter*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not set the model origin at the center of the model edge

1 – True Set the model origin at the center of the model edge

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

The model origin can be set anywhere within the region defined by the model window. The origin's coordinates define the model origin relative to the model window's upper left corner, that is, relative to the location of element [0][0] of the model window that defines the model.

The ModelOrgFindCenter property sets the model origin at the rotation center of the model edge. The model origin is not updated automatically when the model window is moved or resized. Use this property to set the model origin at the rotation center of the mode edge as needed.

If this property is set to “True” when the ModelOrgAutoCenter property is “1–True”, then the ModelOrgAutoCentere property will be automatically set to “0 - False”.

If this property is set to “True”, the model origin is updated, and then the property value returns to “False”. That is, the value obtained by VGet is always “False”.

See Also

Anatomy of a Vision Object, Geometric Object, ModelOrgAutoCenter Property, ModelOrgX Property, ModelOrgY Property, Object Tab

ModelOrgX Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

A model has a fixed reference point by which a location of the model in the image is indicated. This point is referred to as the model origin. The ModelOrgX property contains the X coordinate value of the model origin.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelOrgX*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelOrgX*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real number or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The ModelOrgX property can be set between 0–2047. It should be noted that the ModelOrgX defines the X coordinate of the model origin with respect to the model's upper left corner.

Default: The model origin is set in the center of the model window when a new object is created.

Remarks

The model origin can be set anywhere within the model window Region. The origin's coordinates define the model origin relative to the model's upper left corner, that is, relative to the location of element [0][0] of the image that defines the model.

When a new Correlation is created, the model origin is set to the center of the model window. However, the user may modify this position by entering new X and Y positions to the ModelOrgX and ModelOrgY properties or by simply clicking on the model origin (the crosshair shown in the middle of the model window) and moving it to the desired position.

The model origin also can be automatically changed by setting the ModelOrgAutoCenter property to “1–True”. If the ModelOrgAutoCenter property is set to “1–True” then the model origin is automatically set to the center of the model window.

If the ModelOrgAutoCenter property is set to “1–True”, the ModelOrgX property cannot be used to reposition the model origin.

See Also

Anatomy of a Vision Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ModelOrgAutoCenter Property, ModelOrgFindCenter Property, ModelOrgY Property, Object Tab

ModelOrgY Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

A model has a fixed reference point by which a location of the model in the image is indicated. This point is referred to as the model origin. The ModelOrgY property contains the Y coordinate value of the model origin.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelOrgY*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelOrgY*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real number or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Basically, the ModelOrgY property can be set between 0-2047. However, it should be noted that the ModelOrgY defines the Y coordinate of the model origin with respect to the model's upper left corner.

Default: The model origin is set in the center of the model window when a new object is created.

Remarks

The model origin can be set anywhere within the model's bounds. The origin's coordinates define the model origin relative to the model's upper left corner, that is, relative to the location of element [0][0] of the image that defines the model.

When a new Correlation is created, the model origin is set to the center of the model window. However, the user may modify this position by entering new X and Y positions to the ModelOrgX and ModelOrgY Properties or by simply clicking on the model origin (the crosshair shown in the middle of the model window) and moving it to the desired position.

The model origin also can be automatically changed by setting the ModelOrgAutoCenter property to "1-True". If the ModelOrgAutoCenter property is set to "1-True" then the model origin is automatically set to the center of the model window.

If the ModelOrgAutoCenter property is set to "1-True", the ModelOrgY property cannot be used to reposition the model origin.

See Also

Anatomy of a Vision Object , Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ModelOrgAutoCenter Property, ModelOrgFindCenter Property, ModelOrgX Property, Object Tab

ModelWin Property

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, OCR

Description

Defines the position and size of the model window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWin, LeftVar, TopVar, WidthVar, HeightVar*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWin, LeftVar, TopVar, WidthVar, HeightVar*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

LeftVar Integer variable representing the leftmost position of the model window (in Pixels).

TopVar Integer variable representing the uppermost position of the model window (in Pixels).

WidthVar Integer variable representing the width of the model window (in Pixels).

HeightVar Integer variable representing the height of the model window (in Pixels).

Values

All Values are in Pixels. See the ModelWinTop, ModelWinLeft, ModelWinWidth, and ModelWinHeight Properties for exact value data.

Remarks

The ModelWin property was added to provide easy access to the ModelWinTop, ModelWinLeft, ModelWinWidth and ModelWinHeight Properties from the SPEL⁺ Language. The ModelWin property allows the setting of all 4 Properties. There are cases where the user may want to define the position and size of the model window dynamically and for that reason the ModelWin property was created.

The ModelWin property can be applied to the Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, and OCR objects. Each of these object types have rectangular model windows used to define the position and size of the model. For ImageOp, the Operation property must first be set to ColorFilter.

See Also

Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, ModelWinHeight Property, ModelWinLeft Property, ModelWinTop Property, ModelWinWidth Property, Object Tab, OCR Object

ModelWinAngle Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the model window angle.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinAngle*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinAngle*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value within a range of ± 180 degrees

Remarks

Sets and returns the model window angle. Setting values are valid only when ModelWinType is set to RotatedRectangle.

See Also

ModelWinCenterX Property, ModelWinCenterY Property, ModelWinType Property, SearchWinCenterX Property, SearchWinCenterY Property, SearchWinType Property

ModelWinCenterX Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

Sets and returns the X coordinate value on the center of the model window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinCenterX*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinCenterX*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer ranging from 0 to “search window width - 1” in pixels

Remarks

Sets and returns the X coordinate value on the center of the model window. Setting values are automatically updated when the model window is removed or resized.

See Also

ModelWinAngle Property, ModelWinCenterX Property, ModelWinCenterY Property, ModelWinType Property, SearchWinCenterX Property, SearchWinCenterY Property, SearchWinType Property, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinWidth Property

ModelWinCenterY Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

Sets and returns the Y coordinate value on the center of the model window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinCenterY, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinCenterY, value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer ranging from 0 to “search window height - 1” in pixels

Remarks

Sets and returns the Y coordinate value on the center of the model window. Setting values are automatically updated when the model window is removed or resized.

See Also

ModelWinAngle Property, ModelWinCenterX Property, ModelWinCenterY Property, ModelWinType Property, SearchWinCenterX Property, SearchWinCenterY Property, SearchWinType Property, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinWidth Property

ModelWinHeight Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, OCR

Description

Defines the height of the model window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinHeight*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinHeight*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in pixels from 10 – 2048.

Remarks

The model window can be set in the Search Window.

The Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, and OCR objects have rectangular model windows which define the position and size of the model to be taught. The ModelWinHeight property is set automatically when the user drags the upper or lower horizontal sides of the model window.

Keep in mind that a larger model window causes the taught model to be larger, which in turn can cause the execution time of the object to increase.

The ModelWinHeight property can be set by directly inputting the value from the Vision Guide window Object tab and by using the SPEL⁺ Language. Also, it can be set by clicking on the upper or lower horizontal sides of the model window and then dragging them vertically.

To set a value from the property tab, click on the ModelWinHeight property Value Field and simply enter in the value. Once you move the cursor off the value field, the ModelWinHeight will be adjusted for the associated vision object.

See Also

Anatomy of a Vision Object , Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ModelOrgAutoCenter Property, ModelOrgY Property, ModelOrgY Property, ModelWin Property, ModelWinLeft Property, ModelWinTop Property, ModelWinWidth Property, Object Tab, OCR Object

ModelWinLeft Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, OCR

Description

Defines the left coordinate of the upperleft corner of the model window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinLeft*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinLeft*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in pixels from 0- video width

Remarks

The ModelWinLeft property is available for the Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, and OCR objects only since those are the only vision objects which use a model to define a pattern to search for. The model window can be set in the Search Window.

The Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, and OCR objects have rectangular model windows which define the position and size of the model to be taught. The ModelWinLeft property is set automatically when the user drags the entire model window to a new location or when the leftmost side of the model window is dragged to resize the model window.

The ModelWinLeft property can be set by directly inputting the value from the Vision Guide window Object tab and by using the SPEL⁺ Language. Also, it can be set by clicking on the upper or lower horizontal sides of the model window and then dragging them vertically. You can also click on the leftmost vertical side of the model window at the center of the vertical line where the leftmost window handle is (the small square on the left vertical side of the Model window). You will see the mouse pointer change to a two direction horizontal arrow. Now drag the leftmost vertical side of the model window and you will see the size of the model change. Release the mouse button when you want to set the position.

To set a value from the property tab, click on the ModelWinLeft property's Value Field and simply enter in the value. Once you move the cursor off the value field, the ModelWinLeft will be adjusted for the associated vision object.

See Also

Anatomy of a Vision Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ModelOrgAutoCenter Property, ModelOrgX Property, ModelOrgY Property, ModelWin Property, ModelWinHeight Property, ModelWinTop Property, ModelWinWidth Property, Object Tab, OCR Object

ModelWinTop Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, OCR

Description

Defines the top coordinate of the upperleft corner of the model window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinTop*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinTop*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression that contains the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in pixels from 0 - video height

Remarks

The ModelWinTop property is available for the Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, and OCR objects only since those are the only vision objects which use a model to define a pattern to search for. The model window can be set in the Search Window.

The Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, and OCR objects have rectangular model windows which define the position and size of the model to be taught. The ModelWinTop property is set automatically when the user drags the entire model window to a new location or when the topmost side of the model window is dragged to resize the model window.

The ModelWinTop property can be set by directly inputting the value from the Vision Guide window Object tab and by using the SPEL⁺ Language. Also, it can be set by clicking on the upper or lower horizontal sides of the model window and then dragging them vertically.

You can also click on the uppermost horizontal side of the model window at the center of the vertical line where the uppermost side window handle is (the small square on the upper horizontal side of the Model window). You will see the mouse pointer change to a two direction vertical arrow. Now drag the uppermost horizontal side of the model window and you will see the size of the model change. Release the mouse button when you want to set the position.

To set a value from the property tab, click on the ModelWinTop property's Value Field and simply enter in the value. Once you move the cursor off the value field, the ModelWinLeft will be adjusted for the associated vision object.

See Also

Anatomy of a Vision Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ModelOrgAutoCenter Property, ModelOrgX Property, ModelOrgY Property, ModelWin Property, ModelWinHeight Property, ModelWinLeft Property, ModelWinWidth Property, Object Tab, OCR Obejct

ModelWinType Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Correlation, Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the model window type.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinType, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinType, value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Following integer values representing the model window type

- 1 - Rectangle (VISION_WINTYPE_RECTANGLE)
- 2 - RotatedRectangle (VISION_WINTYPE_ROTATEDRECT)
- 3 - Circle (VISION_WINTYPE_CIRCLE)

Remarks

Sets and returns the model window type. Available values are as follows:

- 1 - Rectangle Rectangular model window (angle designation invalid)
- 2 - RotatedRectangle Rectangular model window (angle designation valid)
- 3 - Circle Circular model window

See Also

ModelWinAngle Property, ModelWinCenterX Property, ModelWinCenterY Property, ModelWinType Property, SearchWinCenterX Property, SearchWinCenterY Property, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinWidth Property

ModelWinWidth Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, OCR

Description

Defines the width of a model window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinWidth*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ModelWinWidth*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression tha contains the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in pixels from 10 – 2048.

Remarks

The model window can be set in the Search Window.

The ModelWinWidth property is set automatically when the user drags the entire model window to a new location or when one of the horizontal sides of the model window is dragged to resize the model window.

Keep in mind that larger model windows cause the taught Model to be larger, which in turn may cause the execution time of the object to increase.

The ModelWinWidth property can be set by directly inputting the value from the Vision Guide window Object tab and by using the SPEL⁺ Language. Also, it can be set by clicking on the upper or lower horizontal sides of the model window and then dragging them vertically.

You can also click on the left or right vertical side of the model window at the center of the vertical line where the window handle is (the small square on the upper horizontal side of the Model window). You will see the mouse pointer change to a two direction horizontal arrow. Now drag the side of the model window and you will see the of the model change in width. Release the mouse button when you want to set the position.

To set a value from the property tab, click on the ModelWinWidth property's Value Field and simply enter in the value. Once you move the cursor off the value field, the ModelWinLeft will be adjusted for the associated vision object.

See Also

Anatomy of a Vision Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ModelOrgAutoCenter Property, ModelOrgX Property, ModelOrgY Property, ModelWin Property, ModelWinHeight Property, ModelWinLeft Property, ModelWinTop Property, Object Tab, OCR Obejet

MotionDelay Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the amount of time to wait after each robot motion during the calibration cycle.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.MotionDelay*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.MotionDelay*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in milliseconds

Default: 500

Remarks

Use the MotionDelay property to allow settling time after the robot is moved during a calibration cycle. During calibration, it is important that the robot, tooling, and table are not moving when the vision system is acquiring images. It is recommended that values below 500 milliseconds should not be used.

See Also

LampDelay Property, RobotAccel Property, RobotSpeed Property

Name Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence
Vision Calibration
Vision Objects: All

Description

All vision objects, sequences, and calibrations must have a name. The name is then used to refer to the individual vision object, sequence or calibration.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Name*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

Remarks

Upon the creation of a new vision sequence or calibration, a dialog is displayed requesting a name. This name is then set as the Name property value. The user can modify this name from the Vision Guide GUI by changing the Name property value.

Upon the creation of a new vision object such as a Blob, Correlation, etc., a name is automatically assigned to the object. The name used is based on the object type with a numeric value appended to the end of the name. For example, the following names might have been created for a specific vision sequence: Blob01, Corr01, Blob02, Blob03, Corr02, Line01. You can modify the name by changing the Name property value from the Vision Guide GUI.

You cannot change the name of a sequence, calibration, or object at runtime.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Frame Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, Line Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, Point Object, Polar Object, Sequence Tab

NumberFound Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineInspector, CodeReader

Description

Returns the number of features found within a single Search Window.

Usage

VGet Sequence.Object.**NumberFound**, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Valid number found for all objects is 0 - NumberToFind property value.

Remarks

Blob, Correlation, Edge, and Geometric objects support the finding of multiple features within a single Search Window. The NumberToFind property defines how many features to search for.

The NumberFound result returns how many features were actually found.

The NumberFound result is a special result. It always returns the number of features that were found for the specified vision object regardless of the setting of the CurrentResult property. The result list shows the results selected by the CurrentResult property.

Blob results are ordered by largest found blob to smallest found blob. (i.e. result record 1 (CurrentResult = 1) contains the results for the largest blob.)

Correlation results are ordered by highest Score result to lowest Score result. (i.e. result Record 1 (CurrentResult =1) contains the results for the feature with the highest score.)

The order of detection can be changed by the Sort property setting.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, Correlation Object, CurrentResult Property, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, LineInspector Object, NumberToFind Property, Sort Property, CodeReader Object, Object Tab

Example

The following SPEL⁺ language example runs a vision sequence called *mtest* which contains a Correlation object called *Corr01*. *Corr01* has been defined to find multiple features (3).

The following program will run the sequence and make sure that the proper number of features (3) was found for *Corr01* and then print the Score result in descending order.

```
Function main

    #define NUM_TO_FIND 3

    Boolean numfound
    Integer score

    VRun mtest
    VGet mtest.Corr01.NumberFound, numfound
    If numfound = NUM_TO_FIND Then
        Print "The Proper Number of features(3) were found"
    Else
        Print "Only (", numfound, ") features were found"
        Exit Function
    EndIf
    VGet mtest.Corr01.Score(1), score
    Print "1st feature score (Best):  ", score

    VGet mtest.Corr01.Score(2), score
    Print "2nd feature score (Medium): ", score

    VGet mtest.Corr01.Score(3), score
    Print "3rd feature score (Worst):  ", score
Fend
```

NumberOfEdges Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Sets / returns the number of edge detection segments used in the search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.NumberOfEdges*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.NumberOfEdges*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer from 5 - 99

Default: 5 for LineFinder and ArcFinder

20 for LineInspector and ArcInspector

Remarks

Sets the number of segments to perform edge detection in equal divisions within the search range.

By adding segments, detection becomes more robust to the change in the input image (lighting and noise). However, it takes longer detection time. Set the property according to the actual system.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, LineFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, LineInspector Object, EdgeRobotXYU Result

NumberOfModels Property

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, ImageOp

Description

Gets / sets the number of models used by the object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.NumberOfModels*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.NumberOfModels*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The number of models defined for the object.

Remarks

The NumberOfModels property is used at runtime to set the number of models for a ColorMatch or ImageOp object. After setting NumberOfModels, you can use CurrentModel and VTeach to teach each color model.

See Also

CurrentModel Property, ColorMatch Object, ImageOp Object, VTeach

NumberOfResults Property

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Objects: All

Description

Gets the number of results for an object.

Usage

VGet Sequence.Object.**NumberOfResults**, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

Values

The number of results for the object.

Remarks

The NumberOfResults property is used at runtime to determine the total number of results (found and not found).

See Also

CurrentResult Property, NumberFound Result

NumberToFind Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, CodeReader, DefectFinder, LineInspector

Description

Defines the number of features to search for within a single search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.NumberToFind*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.NumberToFind*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Valid entries are from 0 (All) to 100 (for the CodeReader object, the maximum is 4).

Default: 1

Remarks

The ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, and LineInspector objects support finding multiple features within a single Search Window. The NumberToFind property defines how many.

Since many applications require that only 1 feature be found within a Search Window, the default value of the NumberToFind property is set to 1.

When working in the Vision Guide Development Environment, you will notice that the Results List on the Object tab will display a heading like "Result (1 of 15)". This means that the system tried to find 15 features (as defined by the NumberToFind property) and the Result List will display the results for item 1.

If you want to see the results for one of the other results, just change the CurrentResult property value to indicate which result you want to examine.

Blob results are ordered according to the SizeToFind and Sort properties.

If NumberToFind is set to "0 - All", then all possible results are found, up to the maximum detection number. The maximum detection number varies for each object as shown below.

Object name	Max. detection number
CodeReader	4
Other	100

Correlation and Geometric results are ordered by highest Score result to lowest Score result when Sort is None. (i.e. result Record 1 (CurrentResult =1) contains the results for the feature with the highest score.)

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, Correlation Object, CurrentResult property, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, LineInspector Object, NumberFound Result, Object Tab

Example

The following SPEL⁺ language example runs a vision sequence called *mtest* which contains a Correlation object called *Corr01*. The NumberToFind value for *Corr01* is set using VSet.

The following program will run the sequence and make sure that the proper number of features (3) was found for *Corr01* and then print the Score result in descending order.

```
Function main

    #define NUM_TO_FIND 3

    Boolean numfound
    Integer score

    VSet mtest.Corr01.NumberToFind, NUM_TO_FIND
    VRun mtest
    VGet mtest.Corr01.NumberFound, numfound
    If numfound = NUM_TO_FIND Then
        Print "The Proper Number of features(3) were found"
    Else
        Print "Only (", numfound, ") features were found"
        Exit Function
    EndIf
    VGet mtest.Corr01.Score(1), score
    Print "1st feature score (Best):  ", score

    VGet mtest.Corr01.Score(2), score
    Print "2nd feature score (Medium): ", score

    VGet mtest.Corr01.Score(3), score
    Print "3rd feature score (Worst):  ", score
Fend
```

Objects Property

Runtime Only

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Array of objects in a sequence. Used to access object properties and results with an index.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.**Objects**(*index*).*Property*, *var*

VGet *Sequence*.**Objects**(*index*).*Result*, *var*

VSet *Sequence*. **Objects**(*index*) .*Property*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

index Integer expression containing the index of an object in the specified sequence.

Property Name of the object property to access.

Result Name of the object result to access.

var Variable that will contain the value of the property or result. The data type depends on which property or result is specified.

value Expression for the new value of the property. The data type depends on which property is specified.

Remarks

Use the Objects property to access the objects in a sequence by using an index instead of a name.

See Also

Count Property, Type Property

Operation Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ImageOp

Description

Sets which image operation to perform.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Operation*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Operation*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 - Open	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_OPEN Performs an opening-type morphological operation. This is an erosion followed by a dilation. The number of iterations is determined by the Iterations property.
2 - Close	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_CLOSE Performs a closing-type morphological operation. This is a dilation followed by an erosion. The number of iterations is determined by the Iterations property.
3 - Erode	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_ERODE Performs an erosion-type morphological operation. The number of iterations is determined by the Iterations property.
4 - Dilate	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_DILATE Performs a dilation-type morphological operation. The number of iterations is determined by the Iterations property.
5 - Smooth	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_SMOOTH Performs a smoothing type convolution operation. The number of iterations is determined by the Iterations property.
6 - Sharpen1	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_SHARPEN1 Performs a sharpen type convolution operation. The number of iterations is determined by the Iterations property.
7 - Sharpen2	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_SHARPEN2 Performs a sharpen type convolution operation. The number of iterations is determined by the Iterations property.
8 - HorizEdge	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_HORIZEDGE Highlights horizontal edges.
9 - VertEdge	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_VERTEDGE Highlights vertical edges.
10 - EdgeDetect1	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_EDGEDETECT1 Highlights edges.
11 - EdgeDetect2	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_EDGEDETECT2 Highlights edges.

12 - LaPlaceEdge1	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_LAPLACE1 Highlights edges.
13 - LaPlaceEdge2	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_LAPLACE2 Highlights edges.
14 - Thin	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_THIN Thins blobs in the image.
15- Thicken	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_THICKEN Thickens blobs in the image.
16 - Binarize	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_BINARIZE Binarizes the image according to the ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh settings.
17 - Rotate	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_ROTATE Rotates the image according to the AngleObject or RotationAngle settings. If AngleObject is Screen, then the rotation angle is determined by the RotationAngle property. Otherwise, the rotation angle is determined by the Angle result of the AngleObject. The rotation is counter-clockwise for positive angles.
18 - FlipHoriz	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_FLIPHORIZ Flips the image from left to right.
19 - FlipVert	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_FLIPVERT Flips the image from top to bottom.
20 - FlipBoth	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_FLIPBOTH Flips the image horizontally and vertically.
21 - ColorFilter	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_COLORFILTER Filters the image using the color models.
22 - SubtractAbs	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_SUBTRACTABS Returns absolute difference image of input image 1 and 2.
23 - Zoom	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_ZOOM Enlarges or reduces the image.
24 - ColorStretch	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_COLORSTRETCH Stretches the color values in the image between MinRGB and MaxRGB.
25-Shift	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_SHIFT
26- DetectFocus	Vision Constant: VISION_OPERATION_DETECTFOCUS

Default: 1 – Open

Remarks

The Operation settings can be grouped as follows:

Morphology

Open, Close, Erode, Dilate

The morphological operations use grayscale morphology. The Polarity property determines which shade to operate on: Dark or Light. For example, if you have dark objects on a light background, then you should set the Polarity property to 1–DarkOnLight. If you were to set Polarity to 2–LightOnDark for the same image, then executing Erode will look like a Dilate, because the light objects will be eroded, making the dark objects dilated. The Iterations property determines how many times to execute the operation.

Convolution

Smooth, Sharpen1, Sharpen2, HorizEdge, VertEdge, EdgeDetect1 EdgeDetect2, LaPlaceEdge1, LaPlaceEdge2, Thin, Thicken

The Polarity property determines which shade to operate on for the Thin and Thicken operations. The Iterations property determines how many times to execute the operation.

Image Manipulation

Rotate, FlipHoriz, FlipVert, FlipBoth

Binarize

ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh are the boundaries for determining which gray values will be black and which values will be white. All gray values in between the thresholds will be black and all others will be white.

Pixel to Pixel Operation

SubtractAbs

Calculates the difference image (absolute value) of the image buffers set to the ImageBuffer1 property and the ImageBuffer2 property.

Color Filter

One or more filter colors and a background color can be taught. At runtime, the ImageOp tool checks each pixel color in the image ROI. If a pixel color is within the specified tolerance of one of the filter colors, then the pixel is unchanged. Otherwise, the pixel color is set to the specified background color.

Color Stretch

This operation changes the color values in an image by mapping the RGB values between MinRGB and MaxRGB to 0 – 255. The KeepRGBRatio property also affects how the values are stretched.

See Also

ImageOp Object, Iterations Property, MinRGB Property, MaxRGB Property, KeepRGBRatio Property

Orientation Property

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets / returns the orientation of the bar code.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Orientation*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Orientation*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Sets the expected orientation of the bar code by following values

1 – Vertical and horizontal (VISION_ORIENT_BOTH)

2 - Horizontal (VISION_ORIENT_HORIZ)

3 - Vertical (VISION_ORIENT_VERT)

Remarks

Sets and returns the expected orientation of the bar code.

See Also

CodeReader Object

OriginAngleEnabled Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Frame

Description

Unlike the two-point frame which rotates the frame based on the vector rotation between the OriginPoint property and the YaxisPoint property, the OriginAngleEnabled property enables a single point frame to rotate based on the angle of the origin object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.OriginAngleEnabled, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.OriginAngleEnabled, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Frame is not influenced by the OriginPoint object angle

1 – True Frame rotates with the OriginPoint object angle

Default 0 – False

Remarks

Setting the OriginAngleEnabled property to True enable a frame to rotate by the angle of the origin object. For example, you can set the OriginPoint to a Polar object and set OriginAngleEnabled to 1–True. The frame will rotate according to the angle of the Polar object.

If the YAxisObject is set to a value other than Screen, the YAxisObject setting is given preference.

See Also

Frame Object, Object Tab

OriginPntObjResult Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Frame

Description

Specifies which result to use from the OriginPointObject.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.OriginPntObjResult*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.OriginPntObjResult*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The value can range from 1 to the NumberToFind value for the OriginPointObject.

If the OriginPointObject is 'Screen', then the value is always 1.

Remarks

Use the OriginPntObjResult property to specify a result number other than one for a Frame Object's OriginPoint.

See Also

Frame Object, Object Tab, OriginPoint Property, YAxisPoint Property, YAxisObjResult Property

OriginPoint Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Frame

Description

Defines the vision object to be used as the origin point for a Frame object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.OriginPoint*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.OriginPoint*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property. Valid vision objects for the OriginPoint property are ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineInspector, Point and Polar objects. The OriginPoint may also be based on the Screen position of the Frame.

Values

Screen or any object that runs prior to the frame and returns PixelX and PixelY results.

Default: Screen

Remarks

When a Frame object is first drag-and-dropped onto the Image Display area of the Vision Guide Window, the default OriginPoint property is set to Screen. Frame objects are normally attached to other Vision objects. This is the purpose of the OriginPoint and YAxisPoint. Through these 2 properties the user can define a frame of reference for other objects to have their position based upon. This capability is useful when specific features can be used to find reference points on a part and then other vision objects can be located on the image with respect to the frame position defined.

The OriginPoint and YAxisPoint properties are used together to define a vision frame which has an origin at the OriginPoint and a Y Axis direction defined by the YAxisPoint property.

It is important to note that for each specific vision sequence, only those vision objects which are executed prior to the Frame object in the vision sequence steps will be available to use as an OriginPoint. (The order of the vision object execution can be adjusted from the Sequence Tab.)

When using the GUI to change the OriginPoint property Value, a drop down list will appear showing a list of available vision objects (along with the default value Screen) which can be used to define the Origin of the Frame. Click on one of the choices and the value field will be set accordingly.

When using the Object tab to set the OriginPoint property it is important to note that only those objects which are defined prior to the Frame object are displayed in the drop down list. This helps reduce the chances of the user defining an OriginPoint which isn't defined prior to the Frame object.

Vision Guide automatically checks which vision objects can be used as the OriginPoint and displays only those object Names in the drop down list.

See Also

Frame Object, Object Tab, OriginPntObjResult Property, YAxisPoint Property

Overlapped Result

Applies To

Vision Object: Geometric

Description

Returns whether found objects overlap each other or not.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Overlapped, var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean integer to acquire the result value

Values

True: Overlap

False: Not overlap

Remarks

Returns whether found objects overlap each other or not. Overlapping will be found based on overlapping of model windows. When NumberToFind is set to 2 or larger and some work pieces are found, the result whether the work pieces overlap each other or not will be returned.

See Also

Geometric Object, NumberToFind Property, RejectOnEdge Property

PassColor Property

Applies To

Vision Object: All vision objects

Description

Sets / returns the color of an object when it is Passed.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PassColor*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.PassColor*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String or string expression for the new value of the property.

Values

String representing the name of color

Default: "LightGreen"

Remarks

Specifies the color for the object when the object result is Passed. To configure how an object is passed, set the PassType property.

See Also

Found Result, Graphics Property, FailColor Property, LabelBackColor Property, PassType Property

Passed Result

Applies To

Vision Object

Description

Returns whether the result of an object has passed.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Passed*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Boolean integer to acquire the result value

Values

0 – False Object did not pass.

1 – True Object passed.

Remarks

Returns whether the specified object passed. To specify how an object is considered passed, set the PassType property.

For example, if the PassType of the Blob object is set to “AllFound”, this result will return True when the number of objects specified in “NumberToFind” were all found.

See Also

AllPassed Result, PassColor Property, PassType Property, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequence

PassType Property

Applies To

Vision Object: All vision objects

Description

Sets / returns the condition that specifies how an object is considered to be passed or failed.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PassType*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.PassType*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

- | | |
|-----------------|--|
| 1- SomeFound | Vision Constant: VISION_PASSTYPE_SOMEFOUND
Sets the result as Passed if one or more objects were found. |
| 2- AllFound | Vision Constant: VISION_PASSTYPE_ALLFOUND
Sets the result as Passed if the expected number of objects (NumberToFind) was found. |
| 3- SomeNotFound | Vision Constant: VISION_PASSTYPE_SOMENOTFOUND
Sets the result as Passed if one or more objects were not found. |
| 4- AllNotFound | Vision Constant: VISION_PASSTYPE_ALLNOTFOUND
Sets the result as Passed if no objects were found. |

Default: 1 – SomeFound

For DefectFinder, ArcInspector, LineInspector: 4 - AllNotFound

For all other objects: 1 - SomeFound

Remarks

Sets / returns the condition that specifies how an object is considered to be passed or failed. If all object results in the vision sequence are Passed, the AllPassed result of the sequence will be True.

See Also

AllPassed Result, Found Result, Graphics Property, FailColor Property, PassColor Property

PDFScanInterval Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets the scanning line pitch for PDF417 codes.

Remarks

Sets the scanning line pitch for PDF417 codes. Decreasing the value increases the detection accuracy, but detection time will be longer.

Values range from 1 to height/width of the PDF417 code to be scanned.

Default: 10

See Also

CodeReader Object

Perimeter Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the perimeter of a blob in pixels.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Perimeter* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in pixels.

Remarks

Returns the perimeter of the found blob in pixels. (including the edges of holes)

See Also

Blob Object, Compactness Result, DefectFinder Object, Holes Result, Object Tab, Roughness Result

PixelLength Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Line, LineInspector

Description

Returns the length in pixels of the distance between the starting and ending point of the line for Line objects, and the length of a defect for ArcInspector and LineInspector objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelLength*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in pixels

Remarks

Unlike the Length result, the PixelLength result returns a value even if calibration has not yet been performed. This is because the units are in pixels and no calibration is needed for pixel unit based calculations. If the user needs a length in millimeters then perform a standalone or robot based camera calibration and use the Length result.

Statistics

For the PixelLength result, the following statistics are available. PixelLengthMax, PixelLengthMean, PixelLengthMin, PixelLengthStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Length Result, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab

PixelLine Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Line, LineInspector

Description

Run time only result which returns the pixel coordinate position data of the starting (X1, Y1) and ending (X2, Y2) points of the specified object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelLine*, X1, Y1, X2, Y2

<i>Sequence</i>	Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.
<i>Object</i>	Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.
<i>X1</i>	Real variable representing the X coordinate position of the starting point of the Line object specified by <i>Object</i> .
<i>Y1</i>	Real variable representing the Y coordinate position of the starting point of the Line object specified by <i>Object</i> .
<i>X2</i>	Real variable representing the X coordinate position of the ending point of the Line object specified by <i>Object</i> .
<i>Y2</i>	Real variable representing the Y coordinate position of the ending point of the Line object specified by <i>Object</i> .

Values

<i>X1, X2</i>	Real variable specified in pixels from 1 - video width.
<i>Y1, Y2</i>	Real variable specified in pixels from 1 - video height.

Remarks

The PixelLine result is a runtime result which provides the X1, Y1, X2 and Y2 pixel coordinate data for the starting and ending points of the specified Line object.

The PixelLine result returns the same information as the PixelX1, PixelY1, PixelX2, and PixelY2 results. However, it returns this information with 1 function call rather than 4 separate calls.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, PixelX1 Result, PixelX2 Result, PixelY1 Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotXYU Result, RobotU Result, RobotX Result, RobotY Result

PixelMajorDiam Result

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder

Description

Returns length of the major axis of the ellipse found by ArcFinder.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object. PixelMajorDiam*, *var*

Sequenc Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable containing a value of the result.

Values

Returns length of the major axis of the found ellipse in pixels.

Remarks

Returns length of the major axis of the ellipse found by ArcFinder in pixels. To obtain the value in millimeters, use the FoundMajorDiam result.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcSearchType Property, FoundMajorDiam Result, FoundMinorDiam Result, PixelMinorDiam Result, Object Tab

PixelMinorDiam Result

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder

Description

Returns length of the minor axis of the ellipse found by ArcFinder.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object. PixelMinorDiam, var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable containing a value of the result.

Values

Returns length of the minor axis of the found ellipse in pixels.

Remarks

Returns length of the minor axis of the ellipse found by ArcFinder in pixels. To obtain the value in millimeters, use the FoundMinorDiam result.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcSearchType Property, FoundMajorDiam Result, FoundMinorDiam Result, PixelMajorDiam Result, Object Tab

PixelRadius Result

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder

Description

Returns the radius of the found circular object in pixels.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelRadius*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable containing a value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number indicating the radius [Unit: pixels]

Remarks

Returns the radius of the found circular object by a actual number. [Unit: pixels]

If the user needs the radius in millimeters, then use the FoundRadius result.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, Object Tab, FoundRadius Result

PixelX Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, Point, Polar, DefectFinder, LineInspector, CodeReader

Description

Returns the X position coordinate of the found part's position in pixel coordinates.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelX* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Min: 0

Max Video width- 1

Remarks

The PixelX result is the X coordinate of the objects position in the image coordinate system. The value is a actual number that has a fractional component because of the sub-pixeling feature.

Statistics

For the PixelX result, the following statistics are available. PixelXMax, PixelXMean, PixelXMin, PixelXStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

Angle Result, Blob Object, CameraX Result, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, Point Object, Polar Object, PixelXYU Result, RobotX Result, RobotXYU Result, CodeReader Object

PixelX1 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the pixel X coordinate of the starting point of a Line object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelX1[(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Min: 0

Max Video width- 1

Remarks

Every line has a starting point and ending point. The PixelX1 and PixelX2 results represent the X coordinate position of the starting (X1,Y1) and end points (X2,Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and end points can be assigned to other vision objects, the (PixelX1, PixelY1) and (PixelX2, PixelY2) coordinate pairs can actually be pixel coordinate positions which match the PixelX and PixelY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's starting point is defined by a Correlation object, then the (PixelX, PixelY) results from the Correlation object will match the (PixelX1, PixelY1) results for the Line object.)

See Also

Angle Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX2 Result, PixelY Result, PixelY1 Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotX Result, RobotXYU Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

PixelX2 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the pixel X coordinate of the end point of a Line object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelX2[(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Min: 0

Max Video width- 1

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The PixelX1 and PixelX2 results represent the X coordinate position starting (X1,Y1) and endpoints (X2,Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (PixelX1, PixelY1) and (PixelX2, PixelY2) coordinate pairs can actually be pixel coordinate positions which match the PixelX and PixelY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's endpoint is defined by a Correlation object, then the (PixelX, PixelY) results from the Correlation object will match the (PixelX2, PixelY2) results for the Line object.)

See Also

Angle Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX1 Result, PixelY Result, PixelY1 Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotX Result, RobotXYU Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

PixelXYU Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, Point, Polar, LineInspector

Description

Returns the PixelX, PixelY and Angle coordinates of the found part's position in the image coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelXYU[(result)], found, xVar, yVar, uVar*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

found Boolean variable representing whether or not the part you are looking for was found.

xVar Real variable representing the X pixel coordinate position of the part.

yVar Real variable representing the Y pixel coordinate position of the part.

uVar Real variable representing the angular position (rotation) of the part with respect to the image coordinate system

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

found Boolean value which is either True or False

xVar Real number in pixels

yVar Real number in pixels

uVar Real number in degrees

Remarks

The PixelXYU result returns coordinates in the image coordinate system.

See Also

Angle Result, ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, CameraX Result, CameraY Result, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric object, LineInspector Object, PointObject, Polar Object, RobotX Result, RobotY Result, RobotU Result, RobotXYU Result

PixelY Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, Point, Polar, LineInspector, CodeReader

Description

Returns the Y position coordinate of the found part's position in pixel coordinates.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelY [(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Min: 0

Max: Video height- 1

Remarks

The PixelY result is the Y coordinate of the objects position in the image coordinate system. The value is a actual number that has a fractional component because of the sub-pixeling feature.

Statistics

For the PixelY result, the following statistics are available. PixelYMax, PixelYMean, PixelYMin, PixelYStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

Angle Result, Blob Object, CameraXYU Result, CameraY Result, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, Object Tab, PixelXYU Result, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotY Result, RobotXYU Result, CodeReader Object

PixelY1 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the pixel Y coordinate of the starting point of a Line object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelY1[(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Min: 0

Max: ImageSize height- 1

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The PixelY1 and PixelY2 results represent the Y coordinate position starting (Y1) and endpoints (Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (PixelX1, PixelY1) and (PixelX2, PixelY2) coordinate pairs can actually be pixel coordinate positions which match the PixelX and PixelY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's starting point is defined by a Correlation object, then the (PixelX, PixelY) results from the Correlation object will match the (PixelX1, PixelY1) results for the Line object.)

See Also

Angle Result, Line Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX1 Result, PixelY Result, PixelY1 Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotY Result, RobotXYU Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

PixelY2 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the pixel Y coordinate of the end point of a Line object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PixelY2[(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Min: 0

Max: ImageSize height - 1

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The PixelY1 and PixelY2 results represent the Y coordinate position starting (Y1) and endpoints (Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (PixelX1, PixelY1) and (PixelX2, PixelY2) coordinate pairs can actually be pixel coordinate positions which match the PixelX and PixelY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's endpoint is defined by a Correlation object, then the (PixelX, PixelY) results from the Correlation object will match the (PixelX2, PixelY2) results for the Line object.)

See Also

Angle Result, Line Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX1 Result, PixelX2 Result, PixelY Result, PixelY1 Result, RobotXYU Result, RobotY Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

PointsTaught Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the teach state of a vision calibration's points.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.PointsTaught*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

0 – False Points have not been taught.

1 – True Points have been taught.

Remarks

PointsTaught must be True before you can execute a calibration. If you teach the calibration points from the Vision Guide GUI Calibration tab, then this property will automatically be set to 1–True.

See Also

CalComplete Result, ShowConfirmation Property

PointType Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Point

Description

Sets / returns the type of a point.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.PointType*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.PointType*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 - Screen Sets the Point object's position to be based upon the position on the screen

1 - MidPoint Sets the Point object's position to be based upon the Midpoint of the Line object selected as LineObject1 for this Point.

2 - Intersection Sets the Point objects position to be based upon the point were 2 lines intersect as defined by LineObject1 and LineObject2 for this point.

Default: 0 - Screen

Remarks

Point objects are useful to define the midpoint or intersection point of a line or lines. This is their primary purpose. The PointType property is used to define the what the position for a Point object will be based upon. As mentioned before there are 3 choices.

0 - Screen: This is the default value for a Point object when it is first created. This type is useful when you want to specify a static point in the image or in a frame.

1 - MidPoint: A point position can be set to coincide with the midpoint of the line defined by the LineObject1 property. If the LineObject1 property does not specify a line, then an error will occur if you try to set the PointType to 1–MidPoint informing you that LineObject1 does not exist. (i.e. you cannot define a point as the midpoint of a non-existent line.)

2 - Intersection: A point position can be set to coincide with the intersection of 2 lines defined by the LineObject1 and LineObject2 Properties. If the either the LineObject1 or LineObject2 property does not specify a Line then an error dialog will appear if you try to set the PointType to 2–Intersection informing you that one of the 2 lines required to form an intersection does not exist.

The intersection of 2 lines does not have to appear directly between the starting and ending points for the lines. The intersection could occur somewhere along the imaginary extension of either or both lines.

See Also

LineObject1 Property, LineObject2 Property, Object Tab, Point Object

Polarity Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, Edge, ImageOp, LineFinder, ArcFinder, LineInspector, OCR

Description

For Blob, ImageOp, OCR objects, Polarity defines the differentiation between objects and background.

For Edge, LineFinder, ArcFinder, LineInspector, ArcInspector objects, Polarity defines the transition of an edge.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Polarity*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Polarity*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Edge:	1 - LightToDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK Searching for an Edge transition from light to dark
	2 - DarkToLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT Searching for an Edge transition from dark to light
Blob:	1 - DarkOnLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK Find a dark blob on a light background
	2 - LightOnDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT Find a light blob on a dark background
ImageOp:	1 - DarkOnLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK The operation will be performed on dark objects.
	2 - LightOnDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT The operation will be performed on light objects.
CodeReader:	1 - DarkOnLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK Find a dark code on a light background
	2 - LightOnDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT Find a light code on a dark background
LineFinder:	1 - LightToDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK Searching for an Edge transition from light to dark
	2 - DarkToLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT Searching for an Edge transition from dark to light
ArcFinder:	1 - LightToDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK Searching for an Edge transition from light to dark
	2 - DarkToLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT Searching for an Edge transition from dark to light

LineInspector:	1 - LightToDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK Searching for an Edge transition from light to dark
	2 - DarkToLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT Searching for an Edge transition from dark to light
ArcInspector:	1 - LightToDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK Searching for an Edge transition from light to dark
	2 - DarkToLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT Searching for an Edge transition from dark to light
OCR:	1 - DarkOnLight	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_DARK Find dark characters on a light background
	2 - LightOnDark	Vision Constant: VISION_POLARITY_LIGHT Find light characters on a dark background
Default:	1	

Remarks

The Polarity property is important for both the Edge and Blob objects because it defines one of the core parameters for each.

In the case of the Edge object, the Polarity defines the edge transition along the direction of the edge search.

When using the Blob object, Polarity is critical. The Vision System must be told whether or not to look for light objects on a dark background or dark objects on a light background. Without the proper setting for the Polarity property, the Blob object will return strange results. Keep in mind that if a Blob object can find a dark object on a light background it can also find a light object on a dark background. The ThresholdHigh property and ThresholdLow property will also have an impact on the Blob object's ability to find blobs. Please refer to *ThresholdHigh Property* and *ThresholdLow Property* for more information.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Direction Property, Edge Object, ImageOp Object, LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object, LineInspector Object, ArcInspector Object, OCR Object, Object Tab, ThresholdLow Property, ThresholdHigh Property

QRLargeSize Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Set this property to True when the QR code is large in the field of view.

Remarks

Setting this property to True when the QR code is large for the field of view may increase search speed.

Setting range: True / False

Default: False

See Also

CodeReader Object, QRMinContrast Property, QRMinLength Property, QRNarrowQuietZone Property, QROutputID Property

QRMinContrast Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets the minimum contrast for scanning QR codes.

Remarks

Reducing the value enables the detection of low-contrast codes. However, it increases the chance for false detection and takes longer.

Setting range: 30 – 255

Default: 64

See Also

CodeReader Object, QRLargeSize Property, QRMinLength Property, QRNarrowQuietZone Property, QROutputID Property

QRMinLength Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets the minimum QR code size.

Remarks

Sets the minimum QR code size. Reducing the value may enable detection of small QR codes. However, it may increase the search time.

Setting range: 36 - 999 pixels

Default: 46

See Also

CodeReader Object, QRLargeSize Property, QRMinContrast Property, QRNarrowQuietZone Property, QROutputID Property

QRNarrowQuietZone Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets the quiet zone width (Normal or Narrow) of QR codes.

Remarks

Setting this value to True sets the quiet zone narrow and setting it to False sets the quiet zone to normal.

Setting range: True / False

Default: False

See Also

CodeReader Object, QRLargeSize Property, QRMinContrast Property, QRMinLength Property, QRNarrowQuietZone Property

QROutputID Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to include the data carrier identifier in the QR code Text result.

Remarks

For this version, the data carrier identifier is fixed at “JQ0”.

Setting range: True / False

Default: False

See Also

CodeReader Object, QRLargeSize Property, QRMinContrast Property, QRMinLength Property, QRNarrowQuietZone Property, Text Result

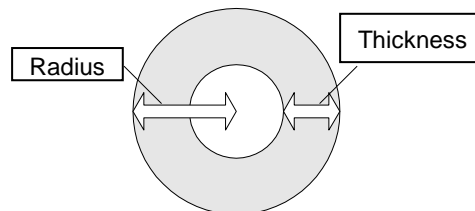
Radius Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, ColorMatch, Polar

Description

Defines the radius for an object. The diagram below shows a Polar object.



Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Radius*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Radius*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

Values

The radius in pixels

Default: 50

Remarks

Use the Radius property to set the radius for the object.

It is important to remember that the Polar object is used to process images that are circular in nature. The Radius property defines the size of the circle used for the Polar object. This means that the Radius property along with the Thickness property defines the size of the Search Window for the Polar object.

The size required for a Polar object Search very much depends upon what the Polar object is being used for. For example, if the Polar object is being used to Inspect Gear Teeth then the Polar object should be made just a little larger than the Gear to be inspected. However, if the Polar object is used just to find an angular position of a specific part of an image, then the Polar object may be smaller in size. Keep in mind that the smaller the Polar object search window, the faster the execution time for the Polar search.

See Also

CenterPoint Property, CenterX Property, CenterY Property, ColorMatch Object, Object Tab, Polar Object, Thickness Property

RadiusInner Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder, ArcInspector

Description

Sets and returns the inner diameter of the detection area.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object*.RadiusInner, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object*.RadiusInner, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The value is in pixels and must be less than or equal to RadiusOuter - 5.

Default: 50

Remarks

Sets and returns the inner diameter of the search area. RadiusInner can also be changed by dragging the search area using a mouse in the Vision Guide GUI. In this case, the property value will be updated automatically.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, RadiusOuter Property, Direction Property

RadiusOuter Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ArcFinder, ArcInspector

Description

Sets and returns the outer diameter of the detection area.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object*.**RadiusOuter**, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object*.**RadiusOuter**, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The value is in pixels and must be greater than or equal to RadiusInner + 5.

Default: 100

Remarks

Sets and returns the outer diameter of the search area. RadiusOuter can also be changed by dragging the search area using a mouse in the Vision Guide GUI. In this case, the property value will be updated automatically.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, RadiusInner Property, Direction Property

RejectOnEdge Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric

Description

Determines if an object is rejected if found on the edge of the search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RejectOnEdge*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.RejectOnEdge*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not reject the object if found on edge of search window.

1 – True Reject the object if found on edge of search window.

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

When searching for objects that can fall outside the search window, setting RejectOnEdge to 1–True will prevent these objects from being found. For example, if you are trying to locate the center of a blob, and it falls partially outside the search window will not report the correct center of mass. Therefore, you should use RejectOnEdge to reject the result.

See Also

Blob Object, Correlation Object, FoundOnEdge Result, Geometric Object, Object Tab

ReferenceType Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the reference type for a calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.ReferenceType, var*

VSet *Calibration.ReferenceType, value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

- | | |
|------------------|---|
| 1 – TaughtPoints | Vision Constant: VISION_REFTYPE_TAUGHTPOINTS
Taught points |
| 2 – UpwardCamera | Vision Constant: VISION_REFTYPE_UPWARDCAMERA
Upward camera |

Default: 1 – TaughtPoints

Remarks

The calibration reference is a point defined in the robot coordinate system. When taught points are specified, one or two points are taught using a tool on the robot end effector during the teaching process for calibration points. When upward camera is specified, an upward camera that has already been calibrated is used to find the reference target. This method is the most accurate.

See Also

CameraOrientation Property, PointsTaught Result, TwoPointReference Property

Reversed Result

Applies To

Vision Object: Geometric

Description

Returns the polarity of the found object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence*.**Reversed**[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable representing the result value

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the **CurrentResult**. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

True : An object was found whose polarity is the reverse of the original model.

False : An object was found whose polarity is the same as the original model.

Remarks

Returns the polarity of the found object. When the model is a black work piece on a white background, this result returns False if the same black work piece on a white background is found, and returns True if the white work piece on a black background is found.

If the SearchPolarity property is set to “1 - Find objects with same polarity or reverse polarity”, this result will always return false.

See Also

Geometric Object, SearchPolarity Property

RobotAccel Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the robot point to point motion acceleration used during the calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.RobotAccel*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.RobotAccel*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 1 to 99%.

Default: 10

Remarks

Use RobotAccel along with RobotSpeed to configure the speed during a calibration. For more delicate systems, a slow speed and accel should be used. The robot must not cause any vibration of the camera that could affect calibration accuracy.

See Also

Accel Statement, MotionDelay Property, RobotSpeed Property, Speed Statement

RobotArm Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the robot arm used when teaching points for a vision calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.RobotArm*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.RobotArm*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 - 15.

Default: 0

Remarks

RobotArm defines the arm definition used during the teaching process for a vision calibration.

See Also

RobotLocal, RobotTool

RobotLimZ Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the robot LimZ value used during the calibration cycle for a mobile camera.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.RobotLimZ, var*

VSet *Calibration.RobotLimZ, value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value from –999 mm to 999 mm.

Default: 0

Remarks

Use RobotLimZ to specify the LimZ value used for the first motion used in a mobile camera calibration cycle (SCARA robot only). During mobile calibration, when the robot is moved to the first camera calibration point, a Jump command is used. RobotLimZ can be used to limit the distance that the robot moves up in Z for that Jump command.

See Also

Accel Statement, RobotSpeed Property, Speed Statement

RobotLocal Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the local coordinate system used for a vision calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.RobotLocal*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.RobotLocal*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 - 15.

Default: 0

Remarks

RobotLocal defines the local robot coordinate system used for a vision calibration. The RobotLocal is used during teach and also at runtime, where all robot coordinates are in the specified local coordinate system. The local coordinate system must be defined before it can be used by the calibration.

See Also

Local Statement, RobotArm, RobotTool

RobotNumber Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the robot number associated with a vision calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.RobotNumber*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.RobotNumber*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 1 to the number of robots in the system.

Remarks

RobotNumber specifies which robot the vision calibration is used for.

See Also

RobotArm, RobotLocal, RobotTool

RobotPlacePos Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder Edge, Geometric, LineInspector Point, Polar

Description

Returns a point that can be used to place a part after finding it with an upward camera.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotPlacePos[(result)], found, placePoint*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

found Boolean variable representing whether or not the part was found.

placePoint Point variable that will contain the place position.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

found True or False

placePoint Point containing the coordinates needed to place the part.

Remarks

The RobotPlacePos result returns a point for placing a part after it has been found with an upward camera.

Using RobotPlacePos eliminates the need to define a tool for the robot when placing parts found with an upward camera. Before you can use RobotPlacePos, you must calibrate it using the CalRobotPlacePos wizard from the Vision Guide GUI, or by setting CalRobotPlacePos at runtime.

Note: Tool and Arm settings at acquisition of this result and the settings at moving the robot to the acquired position must be the same.

See Also

CalRobotPlacePos Property, RobotPlaceTargetPos Property, RobotPos Property

RobotPlaceTargetPos Property

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder Edge, Geometric, LineInspector Point, Polar

Description

Sets / gets the target place position for a part.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotPlaceTargetPos,targetPoint*

VSet *Sequence.Object.RobotPlaceTargetPos,targetPoint*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

targetPoint Point variable that will contain the target place position.

Values

targetPoint Point containing the coordinates of the part in the place position.

Remarks

The RobotPlaceTargetPos property sets or gets the actual place position of a part. Normally, RobotPlaceTargetPos is not needed. The system automatically calculates it during calibration of RobotPlacePos. RobotPlaceTargetPos can be used to adjust the part place position after calibration, if necessary.

See Also

CalRobotPlacePos Property, RobotPlacePos Result

RobotPos Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets robot position and orientation used in the vision sequence result.

Usage

VSet *Sequence*.**RobotPos**, *position*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

position Point variable that will contain the value of the property.

Values

Point data representing the robot position and orientation at VRun execution.

Remarks

The RobotPos property specifies the robot position and orientation at the time of image acquisition executed by VRun. Normally, this property does not need to be changed since the robot position and the orientation at VRun execution are the same as those at the time of image acquisition. However, when the vision system is used with the real time I/O, the robot position and orientation at VRun execution differ from those at the time of imaging. In this case, use this property to set actual robot position and orientation at the time of image acquisition.

See Also

EPSON RC+ 7.0 User's Guide Real Time I/O

RobotSpeed Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the robot point to point motion speed used during the calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.RobotSpeed*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.RobotSpeed*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 1 to 100%.

Default: 10

Remarks

Use RobotSpeed along with RobotAccel to configure the speed during a calibration. For more delicate systems, a slow speed and accel should be used. The robot must not cause any vibration of the camera that could affect calibration accuracy.

See Also

Accel Statement, MotionDelay Property, RobotAccel Property, Speed Statement

RobotTool Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the robot tool used when teaching points for a vision calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.RobotTool*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.RobotTool*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 - 15.

Default: 0

Remarks

RobotTool defines the tool used during the teaching process for a vision calibration. The tool must be defined before it can be used by the calibration.

See Also

RobotArm, RobotLocal, TLSet Statement

RobotToolXYU Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder Edge, Geometric, LineInspector Point, Polar

Description

Returns the tool X, tool Y and tool U values of the found part's position as a robot tool.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotToolXYU[(result)],found, xVar, yVar, uVar*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

found Boolean variable representing whether or not the part you are looking for was found.

xVar Real variable that will contain the X offset of the tool.

yVar Real variable that will contain the Y offset of the tool.

uVar Real variable that will contain the angular rotation of the tool.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

found True or False

xVar Real number in millimeters

yVar Real number in millimeters

uVar Real number in degrees

Remarks

The RobotToolXYU result returns the tool offsets of the found part with an upward camera and therefore can be used to define a tool for robot guidance applications. The RobotToolXYU result *xVar* and *yVar* values are always returned in millimeters. The *uVar* value is always returned in degrees. When used for a Point object, *uVar* always returns 0.

It should be noted that the RobotToolXYU result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system with the CameraOrientation set to Fixed Upward. If an invalid calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then the RobotToolXYU result cause an error to occur.

Example

```
VGet Seq. Geom01. RobotToolXYU, f, tx, ty, tu

If f = True then
    Tlset 1, xY(tx,ty,u,tu)
    Tool1
EndIf

Jump Placepos,
```

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, CameraX Result, CameraY Result, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, LineInspector Object, PixelXYU Result, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotPos Property, RobotX Result, RobotY Result, RobotU Result

RobotU Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric, Line, Polar, LineFinder, LineInspector, CodeReader

Description

Returns the U angle of the found part's position in the robot coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotU [(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real value representing in degrees (error if no calibration).

Remarks

The RobotU result is similar to the Angle result except that the position results are returned with reference to the robot coordinate system. This means that the RobotU result is suited for robot guidance applications. However, keep in mind that a special result called the RobotXYU result is most often used for robot guidance because it returns not only the U, but also the X, and U coordinate positions as well as whether or not the part was found. See *RobotXYU Result* for more information.

It should be noted that the RobotU result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then the RobotU result will return 0.

You can add an offset to the RobotU result by using the RobotUOffset property.

Statistics

For the RobotU Result, the following statistics are available. RobotUMax, RobotUMean, RobotUMin, RobotUStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

Angle Result, Blob Object, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, Line Object, PixelXYU Result, Polar Object, RobotUOffset Property, RobotX Result, RobotY Result, RobotXYU Result, LineFinder Object, ArcFinder Object, DefectFinder Object, CodeReader Object

RobotUOffset Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the robot U axis offset which is added to RobotU object results.

Usage

VGet *Calibration*.**RobotUOffset**, *var*

VSet *Calibration*.**RobotUOffset**, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value from –999 degrees to 999 degrees.

Default: 0

Remarks

Robot world calibrations can accurately return angle in the robot world (RobotU), but the end effector is normally not aligned exactly in the robot world, so a constant offset is necessary. RobotUOffset allows you to specify this constant offset. You can set the value directly, or you can use the RobotUOffset wizard from the RobotUOffset calibration property in the Vision Guide window.

See Also

RobotU Result, RobotXYU Result

RobotX Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineInspector, Point, Polar, CodeReader

Description

Returns the X position coordinate of the found part's position in the robot coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotX* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

The RobotX result returns an X coordinate in the robot coordinate system, and can therefore be used for robot guidance applications. However, keep in mind that a special result called the RobotXYU result is most often used for robot guidance because it returns not only the X, but also the Y, and U coordinate positions as well as whether or not the part was found. See *RobotXYU Result* for more information.

The RobotX Result is always returned in millimeters.

It should be noted that the RobotX result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then using VGet to retrieve the RobotX result will cause an error to occur.

Statistics

For the RobotX Result, the following statistics are available. RobotXMax, RobotXMean, RobotXMin, RobotXStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

Angle Result, Blob Object, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, PixelXYU Result, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotY Result, RobotU Result, RobotXYU Result, CodeReader Object

RobotX1 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the X coordinate of the starting point position (X1) of a Line object in the robot coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotX1[(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The RobotX1 and RobotX2 results represent the X coordinate position starting (X1,Y1) and endpoints (X2,Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (RobotX1, RobotY1) and (RobotX2, RobotY2) coordinate pairs can actually be Robot coordinate positions which match the RobotX and RobotY results for other vision objects. In other words if a Line object's starting point is defined by a Correlation object, then the (RobotX, RobotY) results from the Correlation object will match the (RobotX1, RobotY1) results for the Line object.

The RobotX1 result is always in millimeters in the robot coordinate system.

It should be noted that the RobotX1 result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then using VGet to retrieve the RobotX1 result will cause an error to occur.

See Also

Angle Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX1 Result, PixelX2 Result, PixelY Result, PixelY1 Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotX Result, RobotX2 Result, RobotXYU Result, RobotY Result, RobotY1 Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

RobotX2 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the X coordinate of the ending point position (X2) of a Line object in the robot coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotX2[(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

Every line has a starting point and ending point. The RobotX1 and RobotX2 results represent the X coordinates of the line starting point (X1, Y1) and end point (X2, Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and end points can be assigned to other vision objects, the (RobotX1, RobotY1) and (RobotX2, RobotY2) coordinate pairs can actually be robot coordinate positions which match the RobotX and RobotY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's endpoint is defined by a Correlation object, then the (RobotX, RobotY) results from the Correlation object will match the (RobotX2, RobotY2) results for the Line object.)

The RobotX2 result is always in millimeters in the robot coordinate system.

It should be noted that the RobotX2 result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then using VGet to retrieve the RobotX2 result will cause an error to occur.

See Also

Angle Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX1 Result, PixelY Result, PixelY1 Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotX Result, RobotX1 Result, RobotXYU Result, RobotY Result, RobotY1 Result, RobotY2 Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

RobotXYU Result

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineInspector, Point, Polar

Description

Returns the RobotX, RobotY and RobotU position coordinates of the found part's position with respect to the robot coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotXYU* [(*result*)],*found*, *xVar*, *yVar*, *uVar*

<i>Sequence</i>	Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.
<i>Object</i>	Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.
<i>found</i>	Boolean variable representing whether or not the part you are looking for was found.
<i>xVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the X coordinate position of the part.
<i>yVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the Y coordinate position of the part.
<i>uVar</i>	Real variable that will contain the angular position (rotation) of the part.
<i>result</i>	Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

<i>found</i>	True or False
<i>xVar</i>	Real number in millimeters
<i>yVar</i>	Real number in millimeters
<i>uVar</i>	Real number in degrees

Remarks

The RobotXYU result returns a position in the robot coordinate system and therefore can be used for robot guidance applications. The RobotXYU result *xVar* and *yVar* values are always returned in millimeters. The *uVar* value is always returned in degrees. When used for a Point object, *uVar* always returns 0.

It should be noted that the RobotXYU result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then the RobotXYU result cause an error to occur.

See Also

Blob Object, CameraX Result, CameraY Result, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge, Found Result, Geometric Object, PixelXYU Result, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotUOffset Property, RobotX Result, RobotY Result, RobotU Result, RobotToolXYU Result

RobotY Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineInspector, Point, Polar, CodeReader

Description

Returns the Y coordinate of the found part's position in the robot coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotY [(result)] , var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

var Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

The RobotX result returns an Y coordinate in the robot coordinate system, and can therefore be used for robot guidance applications. However, keep in mind that a special result called the RobotXYU result is most often used for robot guidance because it returns not only the Y, but also the X, and U coordinate positions as well as whether or not the part was found. See *RobotXYU Result* for more information.

The RobotY Result is always returned in millimeters.

It should be noted that the RobotY result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then using VGet to retrieve the RobotY result will cause an error to occur.

Statistics

For the RobotY Result, the following statistics are available. RobotYMax, RobotYMean, RobotYMin, RobotYStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

Angle Result, Blob Object, CameraXYU Result, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric, PixelXYU Result, Point Object, Polar Object, RobotX Result, RobotU Result, RobotXYU Result, CodeReader Object

RobotY1 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the Y coordinate of the starting point position (Y1) of a Line object in the robot coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotY1*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in millimeters

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The RobotY1 and RobotY2 results represent the Y coordinate position starting (Y1) and endpoints (Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (RobotX1, RobotY1) and (RobotX2, RobotY2) coordinate pairs can actually be Robot coordinate positions which match the RobotX and RobotY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's starting point is defined by a Correlation object, then the (RobotX, RobotY) results from the Correlation object will match the (RobotX1, RobotY1) results for the Line object.)

The RobotY1 result is always in millimeters in the robot coordinate system.

It should be noted that the RobotY1 result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then using VGet to retrieve the RobotY1 result will cause an error to occur.

See Also

Angle Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX1 Result, PixelY Result, PixelY1 Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotX Result, RobotX1 Result, RobotX2 Result, RobotXYU Result, RobotY Result, RobotY2 Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

RobotY2 Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder

Description

Returns the Y coordinate of the ending point position (Y2) of a Line object in the robot coordinate system.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RobotY2[(result)], var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult. Used for objects that return multiple results.

Values

Real number in millimeters

Remarks

Every line must have a starting point and ending point. The RobotY1 and RobotY2 results represent the Y coordinate position starting (Y1) and endpoints (Y2) of the specified Line object. Since Line object starting and endpoints can be assigned to other vision objects, the (RobotX1, RobotY1) and (RobotX2, RobotY2) coordinate pairs can actually be robot coordinate positions which match the RobotX and RobotY results for other vision objects. (In other words if a Line object's endpoint is defined by a Correlation object, then the (RobotX, RobotY) results from the Correlation object will match the (RobotX2, RobotY2) results for the Line object.)

The RobotY2 result is always represented in millimeters with respect to the robot coordinate system.

It should be noted that the RobotY2 result can only be calculated for vision sequences which have been calibrated with the robot coordinate system. If no calibration has been assigned to the vision sequence then using VGet to retrieve the RobotY2 result will cause an error to occur.

See Also

Angle Result, Line Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, PixelX Result, PixelX1 Result, PixelX2 Result, PixelY Result, PixelY1 Result, PixelY2 Result, RobotX Result, RobotX1 Result, RobotX2 Result, RobotXYU Result, RobotY Result, RobotY1 Result, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

RotationAngle Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ImageOp

Description

Sets/returns the angle of rotation for the ImageOp object Rotate operation.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RotationAngle*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.RotationAngle*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Default: 0 degrees

Remarks

RotationAngle is used to determine how many degrees to rotate the image when the AngleObject property is set to Screen. If AngleObject is not set to Screen, the RotationAngle setting has no effect.

Rotation is counter-clockwise for positive angles.

Pixels that are not in the rotation are set to 0 (black).

See Also

AngleObject Property, ImageOp Object, Operation Property

Roughness Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, DefectFinder

Description

Returns the roughness of a blob.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Roughness* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

Real value equals to or larger than 1.0.

Remarks

Roughness is a measure of unevenness or irregularity of a blob's surface. It is the ratio of the true perimeter to the convex perimeter of a blob. The convex perimeter is the length of a line connecting all the extremities of the blob directly, while the true perimeter is the length of a line connecting every pixel along the blob's edge (Perimeter result). Smooth convex blobs have a roughness of 1.0 (the minimum), whereas rough blobs have a higher value than 1 because their true perimeter is bigger than their convex perimeter.

See Also

Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, Compactness Result, Holes Result, Perimeter Result

RuntimeAcquire Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

The RuntimeAcquire property tells the vision sequence which method to use to acquire an image for use with that sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.RuntimeAcquire, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.RuntimeAcquire, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

- 0 - None Vision constant: VISION_ACQUIRE_NONE
This tells the vision system not to acquire an image before processing the sequence. Simply use the image which is already in the frame buffer specified by the ImageBuffer property. This is useful when a series of vision sequences need to work from the same image. For example, you could acquire an image in sequence #1. During this sequence you could also execute some vision objects. Next, assume that you want to use another vision sequence on the same image. Simply set the RuntimeAcquire property to None for the 2nd vision sequence and the same image will be used for both sequences.
- 1 – Stationary Vision constant: VISION_ACQUIRE_STATIONARY
The camera is stationary (not moving). A new image is acquired at the start of the vision sequence. This is the normal method for running a vision sequence. Each time a new vision sequence is executed, a new image is acquired at the start of the sequence. The ExposureTime property affects how stationary images are acquired. See ExposureTime for details.
- 2 - Strobed Vision constant: VISION_ACQUIRE_STROBED
The image acquisition starts by the trigger input. Also the strobe output is output. This is the mechanism for setting up strobed lighting for capturing moving images within the image buffer. See the remarks section below for more details.

Default: 1 - Stationary

Remarks

The RuntimeAcquire property is very important to understand. There are 3 settings for the RuntimeAcquire property as explained in the Values section. The most common of the 3 is the 1–Stationary setting since in most cases you will want to acquire a new image at the beginning of each vision sequence.

However, you may also use the same image for more than 1 sequence. Simply acquire an image for the 1st sequence and then use the same image in the 2nd sequence making sure to set the RuntimeAcquire property to 0–None for the 2nd sequence.

The 3rd Acquisition method is called 2–Strobed. This acquires an image as follows.

When the vision sequence is run, the sequence will wait for an input trigger. At the instance the trigger input goes active, the vision sequence will initiate an acquisition, thus capturing the image at the same time as the strobe of the light source. Please see *Image Acquisition* in the *Vision Guide 6.0* manual for more details.

See Also

Object Tab, RuntimeFreeze Property, Vision Sequences

RuntimeFreeze Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Defines whether or not to freeze the display of an image acquired during a vision sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.RuntimeFreeze*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.RuntimeFreeze*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not freeze the image. (Image display area will show live image)

1 – True Freeze the image. (Image display area will show frozen image)

Default: 1 – True

Remarks

The RuntimeFreeze property lets you choose whether to show the image acquired during a sequence, or show live video after the sequence runs.

Note that when RuntimeFreeze is false and live video is displayed until the next sequence runs, it can slow down vision processing, because when a sequence needs to grab an image, it must wait for the current live grab to complete. For fastest processing, use RuntimeFreeze = False only when necessary.

See Also

RuntimeAcquire Property, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences

SaveImage Property

DesignTime Only

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Saves the currently displayed image on disk.

Remarks

SaveImage allows you to save images to disk that can be used by the ImageFile property. The file can be saved in the following formats:

BMP (default format), TIF, or JPG.

See Also

Object Tab, ImageFile Property, ImageSource Property, VSaveImage Statement

Scale Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric, Correlation

Description

Returns the scale of the object found.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Scale* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

Real number representing the scale factor of the object found.

Remarks

You can use the Scale result to determine the size of the object found compared to the size of the model trained. When ScaleEnable is False, a small variation in scale is tolerated, so the Scale result may not always be exactly 1. To ensure Scale to be only 1, you must set ScaleEnable to True, and set ScaleFactorMin = 1.0, and ScaleFactorMax = 1.0.

See Also

Geometric Object, Correlation Object, ScaleEnable Property, ScaleFactorMax Property, ScaleFactorMin Property, ScaleTarget Property, Object Tab

ScaleEnable Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Enables a greater range of scale detection.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ScaleEnable*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ScaleEnable*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Allow only a small variation in scale.

1 – True Do allow a greater range of scale during search.

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

Use `ScaleEnable` to search for objects within a specified scale range. Use `ScaleFactorMin` and `ScaleFactorMax` to set the range, and `ScaleTarget` to specify the target scale. When `ScaleEnable` is `False`, a small variation in scale is tolerated, so the `Scale` result may not always be exactly 1. To ensure `Scale` to be only 1, you must set `ScaleEnable` to `True`, and set `ScaleFactorMin` = 1.0, and `ScaleFactorMax` = 1.0.

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab, Scale Result, ScaleFactorMax Property, ScaleFactorMin Property, ScaleTarget Property, Vision Sequences

ScaleFactorMax Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the maximum scale factor applied to the ScaleTarget value.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ScaleFactorMax*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ScaleFactorMax*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1.0 - 2.0

Default: 2.0

Remarks

ScaleFactorMax and ScaleFactorMin determine the scale range to search for as applied to the ScaleTarget property. The maximum scale found is ScaleFactorMax * ScaleTarget.

To use ScaleFactorMax and ScaleFactorMin, you must set the ScaleEnabled property to 1–True.

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab, Scale Result, ScaleEnable Property, ScaleFactorMin Property, ScaleTarget Property

ScaleFactorMin Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the minimum scale factor applied to the ScaleTarget value.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ScaleFactorMin*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ScaleFactorMin*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0.5 - 1.0

Default: 0.5

Remarks

ScaleFactorMax and ScaleFactorMin determine the scale range to search for as applied to the ScaleTarget property. The minimum scale found is ScaleFactorMin * ScaleTarget.

To use ScaleFactorMax and ScaleFactorMin, you must set the ScaleEnabled property to 1–True.

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab, Scale Result, ScaleEnable Property, ScaleFactorMax Property, ScaleTarget Property

ScaleTarget Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the expected scale of the object you are searching for.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ScaleTarget*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ScaleTarget*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0.5 - 2.0

Default: 1.0

Remarks

To use ScaleTarget, you must set the ScaleEnabled property to 1–True. The actual scale range is determined by ScaleTarget, ScaleFactorMin, and ScaleFactorMax.

The range is determined as follows:

minimum scale = ScaleFactorMin * ScaleTarget

maximum scale = ScaleFactorMax * ScaleTarget

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab, Scale Result, ScaleEnable Property, ScaleFactorMax Property, ScaleFactorMin Property

ScaleTargetPriority Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns whether to find objects whose scale is near ScaleTarget preferentially during object search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ScaleTargetPriority*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ScaleTargetPriority*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

True : Search while giving a priority to objects whose scale is near ScaleTarget.

False : Search the range between ScaleFactorMax and ScaleFactorMin evenly.

Default:True

Remarks

By setting this property to True when scale variation for the object to be found is small, search speed may increase. When the variation in scale for the object to be found is large, set this property to False. Objects will be found with either setting, but setting the value according to the variation in scale may increase search speed.

See Also

Geometric Object, ScaleFactorMax Property, ScaleFactorMin Property, ScaleTarget Property

Score Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, Polar

Description

Returns an integer value which represents the level at which the runtime object was found. For Correlation, Geometric, and Polar objects, the score indicates how well an object matches the model for which it is searching. For the Edge object, the Score result measures the level at which a contrast between Light to Dark or Dark to Light transition takes place.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Score* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional result number. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

0 - 1000

Remarks

The Score result is the basic value used to measure how well a feature in the search area matches a previously taught model. If the Score is not greater than or equal to the Accept property value, the object is considered not found.

Normally a low Score result means that the image doesn't contain any patterns which closely match the Model. However, it should be noted that a low Score result can also be obtained if the Accept property and Confusion Properties are not set high enough. If these properties are set low, the first pattern found that meets the Accept and Confusion property thresholds will be returned as found. This could mean that other patterns in the image which may have been better matches would not be found.

Don't expect that your Score results will always be close to 1000. Just because a Score result is returned which is relatively low (as compared to a perfect score of 1000) doesn't mean that the application cannot be done or isn't reliable. There are many different application types and each has its own circumstances which affect the Score results. Some applications will return Score results of less than 500 while others may always return Score results over 900. Proper settings of lighting, part presentation, overall vision application setup, and proper vision tool usage will all affect the Score results.

Statistics

For the Score Result, the following statistics are available. ScoreMax, ScoreMean, ScoreMin, ScoreStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

Accept Property, CodeReader Object, Confusion Property, Correlation Object, Edge Object, Found Result, Geometric Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, Polar Object

ScoreWeightContrast Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Sets the percentage of the score which is affected by the contrast result.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ScoreWeightContrast*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ScoreWeightContrast*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 - 100%

Default: 50

Remarks

The ScoreWeightContrast is a percentage value that tells the Edge object how much to weigh the contrast result in the final score. ScoreWeightContrast works with ScoreWeighStrength. Both of these property values must add up to 100%. When you set one property, the system will automatically set the other property to the correct value.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Edge Object, Contrast Result, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object, ScoreWeightStrength Property

ScoreWeightStrength Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Sets the percentage of the score which is affected by the strength result.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ScoreWeightStrength, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ScoreWeightStrength, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value from 0 - 100%

Default: 50

Remarks

The ScoreWeightStrength is a percentage value that tells the Edge object how much to weigh the edge strength result in the final score. ScoreWeightStrength works with ScoreWeighContrast. Both of these property values must add up to 100%. When you set one property, the system will automatically set the other property to the correct value.

See Also

Edge Object, Contrast Result, ScoreWeightContrast Property

SearchPolarity Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Geometric

Description

Sets and returns which polarity search mode to use.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchPolarity*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchPolarity*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 - Find objects only with same polarity as model

1 - Find objects with same polarity or reverse polarity

2 - Find objects only with reverse polarity

Default: 0

Remarks

Use SearchPolarity to configure the Geometric tool to search for objects with the same polarity as the model, same and reverse polarity, or reverse polarity.

Note:

SearchPolarity replaces SearchReversed, which was used in versions for EPSON RC+ 7.0 prior to v7.1.0, and CV1 firmware prior to v2.2.0.0.

See Also

Geometric Object, Reversed Result

SearchReducedImage Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns whether to use a reduced size image during the search.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchReducedImage*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchReducedImage*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

True: Use a reduced size image

False: Do not use a reduced size image

Default: False

Remarks

By setting this property to True, a reduced size input image is used. Reduction ratio is set automatically within the system.

This property may reduce time to detect the object when input image has many feature points. Since the effect of this property varies depending on the input image and the model, check the operation with the actual system and decide on the best value.

The position and angle results will not be as accurate when SearchReducedImage is True, but speed could be increased.

See Also

Geometric Object, ScaleTargetPriority Property, Confusion Property, Accept Property

SearchType Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Edge

Description

Sets / returns the search type for an Edge object..

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchType*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchType*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Following integer values representing the search window type

1 - Line (VISION_SEARCHTYPE_LINE)

2 - Arc (VISION_SEARCHTYPE_ARC)

Remarks

Use SearchType to change the type of search to use for an Edge object. Available values are as follows:

1 - Line Search for edges along a line

2 - Arc Search for edges along an arc.

See Also

Edge Object

SearchWidth Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

The SearchWidth property specifies the width of the search for edge detection.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWidth*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWidth*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number from 3-99 pixels.

Default: 3

Remarks

Normally the Edge object will work fine with the default 3 pixel search width. However, for some applications you may want to increase the width of the edge search to help find an edge with some imperfections. By increasing the SearchWidth, the Edge object can gather more information to determine where the edge is. During processing, the 2-dimensional search window is transformed to a 1-dimension row of grayscale values. Edge filters are applied to this row of values to determine where the edge is. Using a wider search window helps ignore imperfections in the edge.

The figures below show an edge object with SearchWidth set to 3 on the left and SearchWidth set to 30 on the right. The edge object on the left finds the bump, where as the edge object on the right finds the correct edge because the wider search width will cause the projected search line to favor the true edge.



See Also

Edge Object, Score Result, Object Tab

SearchWin Property

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, CodeReader, ColorMatch, Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, LineFinder, OCR

Description

Defines the position and size of a search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWin, LeftVar, TopVar, WidthVar, HeightVar*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWin, Left, Top, Width, Height*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

LeftVar Integer variable representing the left position of the upperleft corner of the search window.

TopVar Integer variable representing the top position of the upperleft corner of the search window.

WidthVar Integer variable representing the width of the search window.

HeightVar Integer variable representing the height of the search window.

Left Integer expression representing the left position of the upperleft corner of the search window.

Top Integer expression representing the top position of the upperleft corner of the search window.

Width Integer expression representing the width of the search window.

Height Integer expression representing the height of the search window.

Values

All Values are in pixels. See the SearchWinLeft, SearchWinTop, SearchWinWidth, and SearchWinHeight Properties for exact value data.

Remarks

The SearchWin property was added to provide easy access to the SearchWinTop, SearchWinLeft, SearchWinWidth and SearchWinHeight Properties from the SPEL⁺ Language. The SearchWin property allows the setting of all four properties with one function call. There are cases where the user may want to define the position and size of the search window dynamically and for that reason the SearchWin property was created.

The Left and Top values specify the location of the upperleft corner of the window, even when the window is rotated.

Avoid setting SearchWin too large. If the value is too large, the detection time gets longer and may also result in false detection.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinLeft Property, SearchWinTop Property, SearchWinWidth Property

SearchWinAngle Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Blob, Correlation, Geometric, ColorMatch, LineFinder

Description

Sets and returns the search window angle.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinAngle*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinAngle*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value within a range of ± 180 degrees

Remarks

SearchWinAngle is only valid when SearchWinType is set to RotatedRectangle.

See Also

SearchWinCenterX Property, SearchWinCenterY Property, SearchWinType Property

SearchWinCenterX Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Blob, Correlation, Geometric, ColorMatch, LineFinder

Description

Sets and returns the X coordinate value of the center of the search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinCenterX, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinCenterX, value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer ranging from 0 to “image width - 1” in pixels

Remarks

Values are automatically updated when the search window is moved or resized from the GUI.

See Also

SearchWinCenterX, SearchWinCenterY, SearchWinType, SearchWinHeight, SearchWinWidth

SearchWinCenterY Property

Applies To

Vision Object: Blob, Correlation, Geometric, ColorMatch, LineFinder

Description

Sets and returns the Y coordinate value of the center of the search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinCenterY*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinCenterY*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer ranging from 0 to “search window height - 1” in pixels

Remarks

Values are automatically updated when the search window is moved or resized from the GUI.

See Also

SearchWinCenterX Property, SearchWinCenterY Property, SearchWinType Property, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinWidth Property

SearchWinHeight Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, CodeReader, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric, ImageOp, LineFinder, OCR

Description

Defines the height of an object's search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinHeight*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinHeight*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in pixels from 10 to video height - SearchWinTop

Default: 100

Remarks

The SearchWinHeight property is available for the Blob, Correlation, Geometric, and ImageOp objects. Each of these object types have similar rectangular Search Windows used to define the area to search within. The SearchWinHeight property is set automatically when the user drags the upper or lower horizontal window handles for the Search Window of each object type.

There are cases where the user may want to expand or position the Search Window dynamically and for that reason the SearchWinHeight property can also be set from the SPEL⁺ Language.

Do not set the SearchWinHeight value too large. If the value is too large, the detection time gets longer and may result in false detection.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, SearchWinLeft Property, SearchWinTop Property, SearchWinWidth Property, Window Property

SearchWinLeft Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, CodeReader, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric, ImageOp, LineFinder, OCR

Description

Defines the X coordinate of the upperleft corner of an object's search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinLeft*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinLeft*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in pixels from 0 to video width - SearchWinWidth

Remarks

The SearchWinLeft property is available for objects with rectangular search windows used to define the area to search within. The SearchWinLeft property is set automatically when the user drags the search window in the GUI.

There are cases where the user may want to position the search window dynamically and for that reason the SearchWinLeft property can also be set from the SPEL⁺ Language.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, OCR Obejct, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinTop Property, SearchWinWidth Property, Window Property

SearchWinTop Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, CodeReader, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric, ImageOp, LineFinder, OCR

Description

Defines the Y coordinate of the upperleft corner of an object's search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinTop*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinTop*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value in pixels from 0 to video height - SearchWinHeight

Remarks

The SearchWinTop property is available for objects with rectangular search windows used to define the area to search within. The SearchWinTop property is set automatically when the user drags the search window in the GUI.

There are cases where the user may want to position the Search Window dynamically and for that reason the SearchWinTop property can also be set from the SPEL⁺ Language.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinLeft Property, SearchWinWidth Property, Window Property

SearchWinType Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric, LineFinder

Description

Sets / returns the search window type.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinType*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinType*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The following integer values are used to specify the search window type:

- 1 - Rectangle (VISION_WINTYPE_RECTANGLE)
- 2 - RotatedRectangle (VISION_WINTYPE_ROTATEDRECT)
- 3 - Circle (VISION_WINTYPE_CIRCLE)

Remarks

Sets and returns the search window type. Available values are as follows:

- 1 - Rectangle Rectangular search window that cannot be rotated.
- 2 - RotatedRectangle Rectangular search window that can be rotated.
- 3 - Circle Circular search window

See Also

SearchWinCenterX Property, SearchWinCenterY Property, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinWidth Property

SearchWinWidth Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, CodeReader, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric, ImageOp, LineFinder, OCR

Description

Defines the width of the an object's search window.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinWidth*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SearchWinWidth*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer number in pixels from 10 to video width - SearchWinLeft

Default: 100

Remarks

The SearchWinWidth property is available for objects with rectangular search windows used to define the area to search within. The SearchWinWidth property is set automatically when the user resizes the search window width in the GUI.

There are cases where the user may want to expand or position the Search Window dynamically and for that reason the SearchWinWidth property can also be set from the SPEL⁺ Language.

Do not the set the SearchWinWidth value too large. If the value is too large, the detection time gets longer and may result in false detection.

See Also

Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, LineFinder Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, SearchWinHeight Property, SearchWinLeft Property, SearchWinTop Property, Window Property

SeparationAngle Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the minimum angle allowed between found objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SeparationAngle*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SeparationAngle*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value from 0 - 180 degrees

0 = Disabled

Default: 10

Remarks

Use SeparationAngle to specify the minimum angle required between found objects.

SeparationAngle works with SeparationMinX, SeparationMinY, SeparationScale. Note that only one separation condition needs to be satisfied for objects to be considered found.

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab, SeparationMinX Property, SeparationMinY Property, SeparationScale Property

SeparationMinX Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the minimum distance along the X axis allowed between found objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SeparationMinX*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SeparationMinX*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value from 0 - 100% of model width

0 = Disabled

Default: 10

Remarks

Use SeparationMinX to specify the minimum distance along the X axis required between found objects. SeparationMinX is a percentage of model width.

SeparationMinX works with SeparationAngle, SeparationMinY, SeparationScale. Note that only one separation condition needs to be satisfied for objects to be considered found.

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab, SeparationAngle Property, SeparationMinY Property, SeparationScale Property

SeparationMinY Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the minimum distance along the Y axis allowed between found objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SeparationMinY*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SeparationMinY*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value from 0 - 100% of model width

0 = Disabled

Default: 10

Remarks

Use SeparationMinY to specify the minimum distance along the Y axis required between found objects. SeparationMinY is a percentage of model height.

SeparationMinY works with SeparationAngle, SeparationMinX, SeparationScale. Note that only one separation condition needs to be satisfied for objects to be considered found.

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab, SeparationAngle Property, SeparationMinX Property, SeparationScale Property

SeparationScale Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the minimum scale difference allowed between found objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SeparationScale*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SeparationScale*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Real value from 1.0 - 4.0

Default: 1.1

Remarks

Use SeparationScale to specify the minimum scale difference required between found objects.

SeparationScale works with SeparationMinX, SeparationMinX, SeparationScale. Note that only one separation condition needs to be satisfied for objects to be considered found.

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab, SeparationAngle Property, SeparationMinX Property, SeparationMinY Property

SharedEdges Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns whether to allow edges to be shared between found objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SeparationScale*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SeparationScale*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Shared edges are not allowed.

1 – True Shared edges are allowed.

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

You can choose to allow found objects to share edges by setting SharedEdges to 1–True. Otherwise, edges that can be part of more than one found object are considered part of the found object with the greatest score.

See Also

Geometric Object, Object Tab

ShowAllResults Result

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineFinder, LineInspector, CodeReader

Description

A button is placed in the ShowAllResults result value field which when clicked opens a dialog which shows all the results for this vision object.

Remarks

The ShowAllResults result is a special type of results which allows the user to see all the results for a specific vision object. It is the most useful when there are multiple results for a specific vision object because you can see all the results at one time.

The ShowAllResults result was designed to make it easier to see multiple results all together in one place. Therefore, it is only available for those vision objects which support multiple results (ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, ColorMatch, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, LineFinder, CodeReader, and LineInspector objects.)

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Geometric Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object, CodeReader Object, Object Tab

ShowConfirmation Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns whether to display a confirmation dialog at calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.ShowConfirmation*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.ShowConfirmation*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

True : Display

False : Not display

Remarks

Sets / returns whether to display a confirmation dialog at runtime for VCal when the calibration cycle has completed.

Set this parameter to False if you do not want operators to verify the calibration results.

See Also

VCal Statement, VCalPoints Statement, Vision Calibration

ShowExtensions Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Line, LineFinder, ArcFinder

Description

For Line objects, this property displays a line from a starting reference (defined by the StartPointObject property) to an ending reference (defined by the EndPointObject property). For LineFinder and ArcFinder objects, only found segments are displayed. The ShowExtensions property causes the graphics display of the line to be extended out (by using a dotted line to indicate the extensions) so you can see the complete projection of the line or arc.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ShowExtensions*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ShowExtensions*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not show line extensions

1 – True Show line extensions

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

When a Line object is created, the default graphic display of the Line object is simply a line with a starting and ending point. The StartPointObject and EndPointObject Properties can be used to modify the direction and length of the line but in some cases you may want to see where the line extends to. This is the purpose of the ShowExtensions property.

Extensions are useful when you need to see more than just a line between 2 points. For example, assume you create a Line object perpendicular to another line and the point at which the 2 lines meet is not actually on the physical line but at some location extended from the line. You can see this point of intersection by running your application with the ShowExtensions property set to 1–True.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, EndPointObject Property, Line Object, LineFinder Object, StartPointObject Property, Frame Object, Object Tab

ShowModel Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric, Polar

Description

The ShowModel property is used to check a previously taught model at various zoom settings. You can also change the model origin and don't care pixels for some models.

Remarks

Correlation and Geometric Objects:

You can zoom the model and also change the model origin with mouse or arrow keys and paint / erase "don't care" pixels.

The ShowModel property is available from the Vision Guide window Object tab.

The user clicks on the value field of the ShowModel property which causes a button to appear in the Value field. Click on the button and the model will be displayed in the Vision Guide window.

Changing the model origin

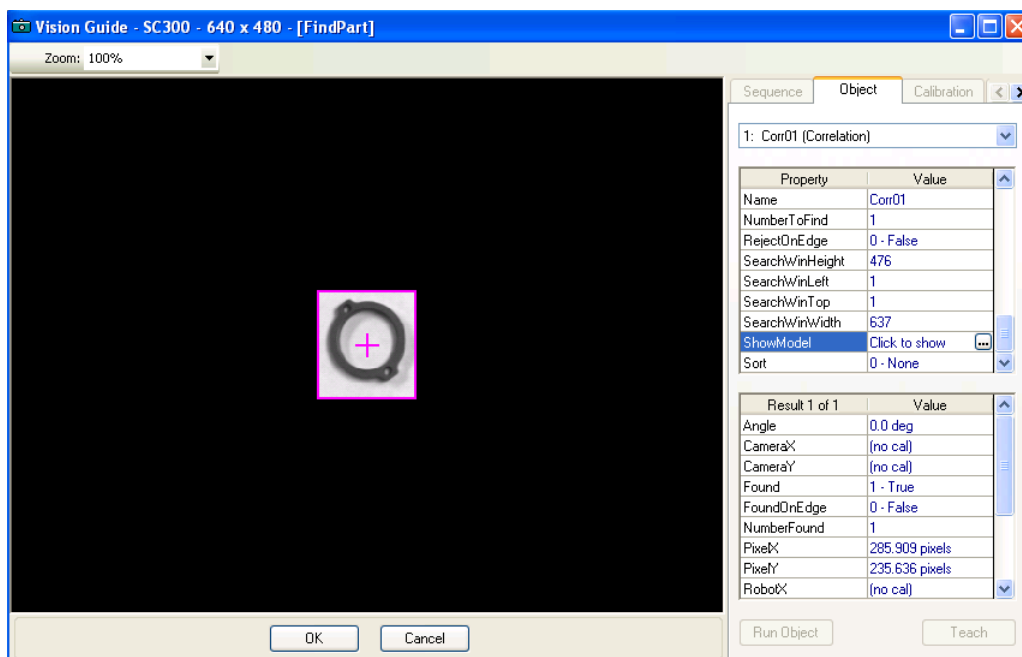
This allows you to change the model origin more accurately. A check box is provided so that ModelOrgAutoCenter can be toggled. When ModelOrgAutoCenter is set to on, the model origin is centered and cannot be changed.

To change the model origin with the mouse, make sure that the ModelOrgAutoCenter check box is off. Then point to the center of the cross, and click the mouse down. Now drag the cross to the desired position.

Click OK to save the new model origin settings.

Polar and DefectFinder Objects:

The model can be zoomed. The ModelOrgAutoCenter check box and drawing toolbar are hidden, since they do not apply in this case. Also, there is a Close button instead of OK and Cancel.



See Also

Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab, Polar Object, DefectFinder Object

ShowProcessing Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Determines whether image processing should be displayed when RunTimeFreeze is set to 1–True.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.ShowProcessing*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.ShowProcessing*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not show processing.

1 – True Show processing

Default: 1 – True

Remarks

Sometimes when using image processing objects such as ImageOp, it is desirable not to see the processing. For example, if you use an ImageOp to binarize an entire image before other objects execute, the display will show the binarized image if ShowProcessing is 1–True. By setting it to 0–False, only the object graphics are displayed without showing the image processing.

See Also

RunTimeFreeze Property, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences

SizeToFind Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, DefectFinder, LineInspector

Description

Selects which size of blobs to find.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SizeToFind*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SizeToFind*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

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| 0 – Any | Vision Constant: VISION_SIZETOFind_ANY
Find blobs or defects of any size. |
| 1 – Largest | Vision Constant: VISION_SIZETOFind_LARGEST
Find the largest blobs or defects. |
| 2 – Smallest | Vision Constant: VISION_SIZETOFind_SMALLEST
Find the smallest blobs or defects. |
| Default: | 1 – Largest |

Remarks

Use the SizeToFind property to find the largest or smallest blobs or defects in a search area. When a blob object searches for blobs in an image, it finds several candidates; sometimes many more than the desired number. SizeToFind can filter the results so that you get the largest or smallest blobs.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, LineInspector Object, Sort Property

SkewDirection Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric
CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Returns the skew direction of a detected object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SkewDirection*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

result Optional. Integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property.
If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

-90 to 90 degrees

Remarks

SkewDirection returns the skew direction when SkewFitEnable is set to True. If the property is set to False, it returns 0.0.

See Also

Correlation Object, Geometric Object, SkewFitEnable Property, SkewRatio Result

SkewFitEnable Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric
CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Sets whether or not to enable the skew corrected detection.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SkewFitEnable*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.SkewFitEnable*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Boolean expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not enable the skew corrected detection.

1 – True Enable the skew corrected detection.

Default: 0 - False

Remarks

If it is set to True, the SkewFitEnable property detects an object while considering the skew direction and ratio. This is effective when the object may not be arranged at a position opposed to the camera.

See Also

Correlation Object, Geometric Object, SkewDirection Result, SkewRatio Result

SkewRatio Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric
CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Returns the skew ratio of the detected object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.SkewRatio*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property.
If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

0 - 1

Remarks

SkewRatio returns the skew ratio when SkewFitEnable is set to True. If the property is set to False, SkewRatio returns 1.0.

The skew ratio is a scale ratio between the skew direction returned by SkewDirection and the direction perpendicular to it.

If the object has no skew, the result is 1.0.

See Also

Correlation Object, Geometric Object, SkewFitEnable Property, SkewDirection Result

Smoothness Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the smoothness level for the geometric edge extraction filter.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Smoothness*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Smoothness*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 - 100

Default: 50

Remarks

The Smoothness property allows you to control the smoothing level of the edge extraction filter. The smoothing operation evens out rough edges and removes noise. The range of this control varies from 0 (no smooth) to 100 (a very strong smooth). The default setting is 50.

The DetailLevel property also affects how edges are extracted.

See Also

DetailLevel Property, Geometric Object, Object Tab, Timeout Property

Sort Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, Correlation, DefectFinder, Geometric

Description

Sets or returns the sort order used for the results of an object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Sort*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Sort*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – None	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_NONE No sorting is done.
1 – PixelX	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_PIXELX Results are ordered from left to right according to the PixelX result.
2 – PixelY	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_PIXELY Results are ordered from top to bottom according to the PixelY result.
3 – PixelXY	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_PIXELXY Results are ordered diagonally from upper left to lower right according to the PixelX and PixelY results.
4 – CameraX	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_CAMERAX Results are ordered from left to right according to the CameraX result.
5 – CameraY	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_CAMERAY Results are ordered from bottom to top according to the CameraY result.
6 – CameraXY	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_CAMERAXY Results are ordered diagonally from lower left to upper right according to the CameraX and CameraY results.
7 – RobotX	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_ROBOTX Results are ordered along the Robot's X axis according to the RobotX result.
8 – RobotY	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_ROBOTY Results are ordered along the Robot's Y axis according to the RobotY result.
9 – RobotXY	Vision Constant: VISION_SORT_ROBOTXY Results are ordered diagonally according to the RobotX and RobotY results.
Default	0 - None

Remarks

The Sort property allows you to sort the results of an object so that you can retrieve the results in the desired order.

If you want to retrieve results in descending order, then reverse the order that you retrieve them. For example:

```
For i = numFound To 1 Step -1
    VGet seq1.blob01.RobotXYU(i), found(i), x(i), y(i), u(i)
Next i
```

See Also

Blob Object, Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab

StartPntObjResult Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Specifies which result to use from the StartPointObject.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object. StartPntObjResult, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object. StartPntObjResult, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The value can be All or range from 1 to the NumberToFind value for the StartPointObject. If the StartPointObject is 'Screen', then the value is always 1.

Remarks

StartPntObjResult enables you to attach several objects to the results of one StartPointObject. For example, you could create a blob object with NumberToFind set to 4. Then you could attach a line object to each one of the results by specifying the blob for the StartPointObject of each line and a different StartPntObjResult for each line. In addition, you can specify All. If both the StartPntObjResult and the EndPntObjResult properties are set to All, then the object will be executed for each result.

See Also

Edge Object, EndPntObjResult Property, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, StartPointObject Property

StartPointObject Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Specifies the vision object whose results will set the starting point of an object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.StartPointObject*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.StartPointObject*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property. Valid vision objects for the StartPointObject property are: Blob, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, Line, and Point objects.

Values

Screen or any object that run prior to the Line object.

Default: Screen

Remarks

When a Line object is first created, the StartPointObject property is set to Screen. However, Line objects are normally attached to other vision objects. This is the purpose of the StartPointObject and EndPointObject properties. Through these two properties the user can define a line between any two vision objects.

It is important to note that for each specific vision sequence, only those vision objects which are executed prior to the Line object in the vision sequence steps will be available to use as a StartPointObject.

See Also

Edge Object, EndPointObject Property, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, StartPointType Property

StartPointType Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Specifies the type of start point to use for an Edge, Line, or LineInspector object. In most cases the start point type will be a point (which usually means the PixelX and PixelY position of the StartPointObject). However, when the StartPointObject for the current line is a 2nd Line object, the StartPointType property is used to define an intersection point on the 2nd line such as the lines midpoint, endpoint, startpoint or perpendicular position.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.StartPointType*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.StartPointType*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

StartPointObject = Line or LineFinder	StartPointObject = Screen, Blob, Correlation, Geometric, Edge, or Point object
See remarks. Default: 2 - MidPoint	0 - Point When used with objects other than the Line object, the StartPointType can only be of type 0 - Point. Default: 0 - Point

Remarks

As you can see in the Values Table above, most of the StartPointObject's support only 1 StartPointType called 0-Point. This is because most StartPointObject's use the PixelX and PixelY position for a reference position for defining a start or end point for a line. So when the StartPointObject is defined as Screen, Blob, Correlation, Edge, or Point object the StartPointType will always be set to 0-Point.

The range of valid values for StartPointType depend on the StartPointObject.

However, when the StartPointObject is another Line object, or a LineFinder object, the user must decide where on the 2nd line to intersect with the 1st line. The choices are as follows:

- | | |
|--------------------|---|
| 1 - EndPoint | Use the end point of the other line as the endpoint for this line. |
| 2 - MidPoint | Cut the other line in half and use the center (or midpoint of the other line as the endpoint for this line. |
| 3 - Perpendicular | Calculate the position on the 2nd line where the 2 lines intersect in a perpendicular fashion and use this position as the end point. |
| 4 - StartPoint | Use the starting point of the other line as the end point for this line. |
| 5 - PerpToStartPnt | Calculate the position on the 2nd line where the 2 lines intersect in a perpendicular fashion through the start point of the first line and use this position as the start point. |
| 6 - PerpToMidPnt | Calculate the position on the 2nd line where the 2 lines intersect in a perpendicular fashion through the mid point of the first line and use this position as the start point. |
| 7 - PerpToEndPnt | Calculate the position on the 2nd line where the 2 lines intersect in a perpendicular fashion through the end point of the first line and use this position as the start point. |

If the StartPointObject is changed to a Line object or LineFinder object then the StartPointType is automatically changed to MidPoint.

If the StartPointObject is changed to Screen, Blob, Correlation, Edge, or Point object then the StartPointType is automatically changed to 0-Point.

See Also

Edge Object, EndPointType Property, Line Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, StartPointObject Property

Strength Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Returns the strength of the found edge.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Strength*[(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the result.

result Optional integer result number from 1 to the NumberOfResults property. If omitted, the result number is the CurrentResult.

Values

0 - 100%

Remarks

Use the Strength result to help determine the value to use for the StrengthTarget property. For ArcFinder, ArcInspector, LineFinder, LineInspector objects, the Strength result is the average strength of all edges used in the search.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Edge Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object, StrengthTarget Property, StrengthVariation Property

StrengthTarget Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

Sets the desired edge strength to search for.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.StrengthTarget*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.StrengthTarget*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 - 100%

Default: 0 (search for best strength)

Remarks

An edge's strength is the minimum/maximum edge value along the width of the edge (depending on polarity). This value is a normalized percentage of the maximum pixel value.

Use StrengthTarget to find edges with lower strengths. First, find the edge you want to search for a record the Strength result value. Next, set the StrengthTarget property to this value. Then set the ScoreWeightStrength to a higher value than ScoreWeightContrast. This tells the Edge object to look for an edge with the desired strength and base the score on it.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Edge Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object, Strength Result, StrengthVariation Property

StrengthVariation Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Edge, LineFinder, LineInspector

Description

StrengthVariation is the tolerance for the StrengthTarget property.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.StrengthVariation*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.StrengthVariation*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 - 100%

Default: 0

Remarks

Use StrengthVariation to tighten the search for the edge with strength of StrengthTarget.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Edge Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object, Strength Result, StrengthTarget Property

StrobeBlackVideo Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Determines whether video is cleared to black before the trigger is received.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.StrobeBlackVideo*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.StrobeBlackVideo*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Do not show black video before trigger.

1 – True Show black video before trigger.

Default: 1 – True

Remarks

When RuntimeAcquire is set to Strobed, and VRun executes, by default the video display is cleared to black until a trigger is received. Then the grabbed image is displayed. For some applications, where VRun is executed rapidly in a loop, (such as conveyor tracking), it will be easier to see vision results if the video is not cleared to black after each VRun.

See Also

RuntimeAcquire Property

StrobeDelay Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets / returns the delay time between receiving the hardware trigger signal and turning on the camera's strobe lamp output.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.StrobeDelay*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.StrobeDelay*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Long value in microseconds.

Default: 0 (microsecond)

Remarks

Use **StrobeDelay** to set the time delay between the hardware trigger signal and turning on the strobe lamp output.

See Also

RuntimeAcquire Property, **ExposureTime Property**, **ExposureDelay Property**, **StrobeTime Property**

StrobeTime Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets / returns the amount of time the camera's strobe lamp output is turned on during image acquisition.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.StrobeTime, var*

VSet *Sequence.StrobeTime, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Long value in microseconds.

Default: 0 (microsecond)

Remarks

Use StrobeTime to set the amount of time that the camera's strobe lamp output is turned on during image acquisition.

See Also

RuntimeAcquire Property, ExposureDelay Property, ExposureTime Property, StrobeDelay Property

TargetSequence Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Specifies the vision sequence that is used to find the calibration target(s) during calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.TargetSequence*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.TargetSequence*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

String value containing the name of the vision sequence

Default: None

Remarks

The TargetSequence property must be specified for all calibrations. For more details, see the chapter *Calibration* in the Vision Guide manual.

See Also

UpwardSequence Property, ReferenceType Property

Text Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: CodeReader, OCR

Description

Returns the text found in a search operation.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Text* [(*result*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

String.

Remarks

The Text result returns the text found by an OCR or CodeReader object. Invalid characters will be substituted with the character specified the the InvalidChar property.

See Also

CodeReader Object, Found Result, InvalidChar Property, OCR Object, Score Result

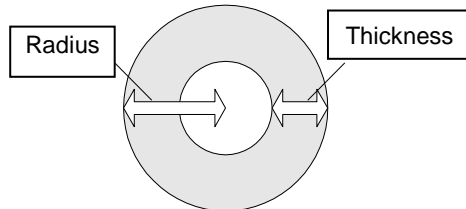
Thickness Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Polar

Description

Defines the thickness (in pixels) of the ring used for the Polar object.



Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Thickness, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Thickness, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 - 200 pixels. The value cannot be greater than the Radius value.

Default: 5

Remarks

It is important to remember that the Polar object is used to process images that are circular in nature. The Thickness property defines the thickness of the circular ring which is used to define the model and search window for the polar search.

In many cases the Thickness property does not need to be very large for a successful search. Since the Thickness property defines the Search Window size for the Polar object, keeping the Thickness small results in faster Polar search times.

See Also

CenterPointObject Property, CenterX Property, CenterY Property, Object Tab, Polar Object, Radius Property

ThresholdColor Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, ImageOp

Description

Sets or returns the color of the pixels whose gray values fall between the ThresholdHigh and ThresholdLow properties.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ThresholdColor*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ThresholdColor*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 – Black (VISION_THRESCOLOR_BLACK)

2 – White (VISION_THRESCOLOR_WHITE)

Default: 1 – Black

Remarks

The ThresholdColor property defines the color of the pixels whose gray values are between the ThresholdHigh and ThresholdLow properties during binarization. For example, when ThresholdColor = Black, ThresholdLow = 50 and ThresholdHigh = 100, then pixels whose gray values are between 50 and 100 will be set to black during binarization. All other pixels will be white.

See Also

Blob Object, ImageOp Object, Object Tab, Polarity Property, ThresholdHigh, ThresholdLow Property

ThresholdAuto Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, ImageOp

Description

Automatically sets or returns values of ThresholdHigh and ThresholdLow properties for Blob and ImageOp objects.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ThresholdAuto*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ThresholdAuto*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Values of the ThresholdHigh and ThresholdLow properties are not set automatically.

1 – True Values of the ThresholdHigh and ThresholdLow properties are set automatically.

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

The ThresholdAuto property automatically sets the values of the ThresholdHigh and ThresholdLow properties.

The ThresholdHigh property works with the ThresholdLow property to define the grey level regions which represent the feature (or object), the background and the edges of the image. The ThresholdHigh property defines the upper bound for grey level values that are considered to be a blob. Any part of the image which falls within grey level region between ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh will be assigned a pixel weight of 1. (i.e. it is a blob.)

If the Polarity property is set to 1–DarkOnLight, then grey levels between ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh will be changed to black pixels and all other pixels will be white.

If the Polarity property is set to 2–LightOnDark, then grey levels between ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh will be changed to white pixels and all other pixels will be black.

One of the problems regarding the ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh Properties is finding the correct values to use for each. This is where the Histogram feature of Vision Guide comes in. You can run a Histogram on an image to see the relationship between the pixel counts at various grey levels. From the Histogram dialog, you can adjust each of the threshold values and view the results.

Note:

If ThresholdAuto is set to “True”, the setting value declines to the threshold value which is capable to detect blobs (at least one blob can be detected) even when the image is homogeneous (all black or white), such as when the target work piece is unable to be captured.

See Also

Blob Object, ImageOp Object, Polarity Property, ThresholdLow Property, Object Tab

ThresholdHigh Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, ImageOp, DefectFinder

Description

Sets or returns the ThresholdHigh value for a Blob or ImageOp object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ThresholdHigh*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ThresholdHigh*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

1 - 255 This value must be greater than the ThresholdLow value or an error will occur.

Default: 128

Remarks

The ThresholdHigh property works with the ThresholdLow property to define the grey level regions which represent the feature (or object), the background and the edges of the image. The ThresholdHigh property defines the upper bound for grey level values that are considered to be a blob. Any part of the image which falls within grey level region between ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh will be assigned a pixel weight of 1. (i.e. it is a blob.)

If the Polarity property is set to 1–DarkOnLight, then grey levels between ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh will be changed to black pixels and all other pixels will be white.

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See Also

Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, ImageOp Object, Object Tab, Polarity Property, ThresholdLow Property

ThresholdLow Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, ImageOp, DefectFinder

Description

Sets or returns the ThresholdLow value for a Blob, DefectFinder, or ImageOp object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ThresholdLow*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ThresholdLow*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 - 254 This value must be less than the ThresholdHigh value or an error will occur.

Default: 0

Remarks

The ThresholdLow property works with the ThresholdHigh property to define the grey level regions which represent the feature (or object), the background and the edges of the image. The ThresholdLow property defines the lower bound for grey level values that are considered to be a blob. Any part of the image which falls within the grey level region between ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh will be assigned a pixel weight of 1. (i.e. it is a blob.)

If the Polarity property is set to DarkOnLight, then grey levels between ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh will be changed to black pixels and all other pixels will be white.

If the Polarity property is set to LightOnDark, then grey levels between ThresholdLow and ThresholdHigh will be changed to white pixels and all other pixels will be black.

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See Also

Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, ImageOp Object, Object Tab, Polarity Property, ThresholdHigh Property

Time Result

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Vision Objects: ArcFinder, ArcInspector, Blob, CodeReader, Correlation, DefectFinder, Edge, Geometric, ImageOp, LineFinder, LineInspector, OCR, Polar

Description

Returns the amount of time (in milliseconds) required to process the associated vision object or vision sequence.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Time*, *var*

VGet *Sequence.Time*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

0 - 2147483647 milliseconds (positive long integer)

Remarks

The Time result is used to store how quickly a vision object or vision sequence is able to execute. (i.e. how quickly an object is found.)

The Time result is shown for each vision object (Blob, Correlation, Geometric, Edge, and Polar) as well as for an entire vision sequence.

For the sequence time result: if the RuntimeAcquire property is set to 1 - Stationary (default), then the total time includes the image acquisition time plus the total time for all steps in the sequence. The acquisition time can vary and depends on the time it takes for the vision system to synchronize with the camera.

For objects that return multiple results, the time returned is the total time to find all results.

Statistics

For the Time result, the following statistics are available. TimeMax, TimeMean, TimeMin, TimeStdDev. Please see *Statistics* in the Vision Guide manual for details about using statistics.

See Also

ArcFinder Object, ArcInspector Object, Blob Object, CodeReader Object, Correlation Object, DefectFinder Object, Edge Object, Geometric Object, ImageOp Object, LineFinder Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, OCR Object, Polar Object, Sequence Tab, Vision Sequences

TimedOut Result

Applies To

Vision Object: Correlation, Geometric

Description

Returns whether the object search timed out or not.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.TimedOut*, *var*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Boolean variable representing the result value

Values

True : Timeout occurred

False : No timeout occurred

Remarks

Use the Timeout property to set the maximum search time. If the Timeout value is exceeded, then the TimedOut result will be True. If a timeout occurs, any accumulated results are still available.

See Also

Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Timeout Property

Timeout Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric

Description

Sets / returns the maximum search time for a Correlation or Geometric object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Timeout*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Timeout*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Long integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 - 1000000

Default: 2000

Remarks

Use the Timeout property to limit the amount of search time for a Correlation or Geometric object.

See Also

Correlation Object, Geometric Object, Object Tab

TotalArea Result

Applies To

Vision Objects: ArcInspector, Blob, DefectFinder, LineInspector

Description

Returns the sum of areas of all results.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.TotalArea*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number from 1- total pixels in image.

Remarks

TotalArea can be used to determine all pixels in the image being searched whose blobs fall within the MinArea and MaxArea properties. By setting NumberToFind to 0 and MinArea to 1, the Blob object can be used as a pixel counter.

See Also

ArcInspector Object, Area Result, Blob Object, DefectFinder Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, NumberToFind Property

TriggerDebounce Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Sets / returns hardware strobe trigger debounce value.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.TriggerDebounce*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.TriggerDebounce*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Long variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Long expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Long value in microseconds.

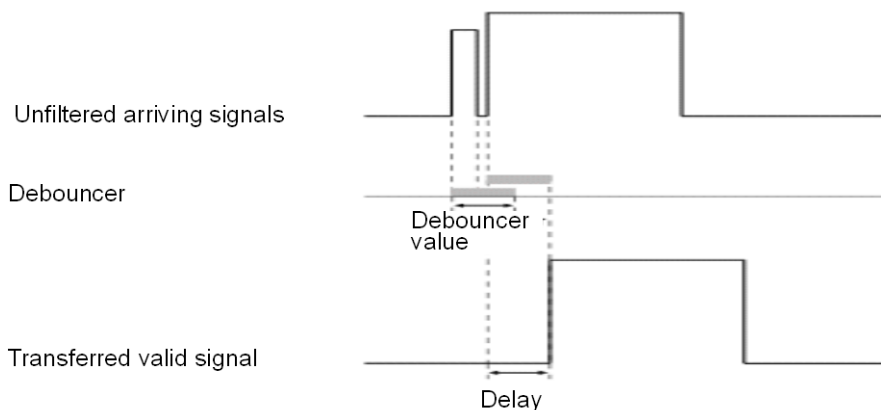
Range: 0 – 20,000 microseconds

Default: 0

Remarks

This property is only available for the GigE cameras.

Use TriggerDebounce to filter noise on the strobe trigger signal. When the TriggerDebounce value is greater than zero, a new trigger signal is not accepted until the amount of debounce time has passed.



Note

This property is only available for the GigE cameras and has no effect on the USB cameras.

See Also

RuntimeAcquire Property, ExposureTime Property, ExposureDelay Property, StrobeTime Property, TriggerMode Property

TriggerMode Property

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

Specifies the type of trigger signal transition used for electronic shutter image acquisition.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.TriggerMode*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.TriggerMode*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value

1 – Leading Vision Constant: VISION_TRIGGERMODE_LEADINGEDGE
The electronic shutter will open when the trigger signal transitions from low to high.

2 – Trailing Vision Constant: VISION_TRIGGERMODE_TRAILINGEDGE
The electronic shutter will open when the trigger signal transitions from high to low.

Default: 1 – Leading

Remarks

The TriggerMode property allows you to match the camera trigger signal transition according to the circuit you are using.

See Also

RuntimeAcquire Property, Sequence Tab

TwoRefPoints Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns whether a calibration should use two reference points instead of one.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.TwoRefPoints*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.TwoRefPoints*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Boolean variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

0 – False Use one reference point

1 – True Use two reference points

Default: 0 – False

Remarks

Set TwoRefPoints to 1–True to use two reference points for a calibration.

When CameraOrientation is FixedDownward or MobileJ2,J4,J5,J6, and ReferenceType is TaughtPoints, then you will be prompted to teach the reference point, rotate U 180 degrees, then teach the point again.

When CameraOrientation is FixedUpward, during the calibration cycle the system will search for the target, rotate 180 degrees, and search for the target again to calculate the midpoint of the two searches.

See Also

CameraOrientation Property, ReferenceType Property

Type Property

Runtime only

Applies To

Vision Objects: All Objects

CV2 firmware Ver. 2.3.2.6 or later

Description

Returns the type of a vision object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Type*, *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

Values

The returned values are shown in the following table:

Object Type	Constant	Value
Correlation	VISION_OBJTYPE_CORRELATION	1
Blob	VISION_OBJTYPE_BLOB	2
Edge	VISION_OBJTYPE_EDGE	3
Polar	VISION_OBJTYPE_POLAR	4
Line	VISION_OBJTYPE_LINE	5
Point	VISION_OBJTYPE_POINT	6
Frame	VISION_OBJTYPE_FRAME	7
ImageOp	VISION_OBJTYPE_IMAGEOP	8
Ocr	VISION_OBJTYPE_OCR	9
CodeReader	VISION_OBJTYPE_CODEREADER	10
Geometric	VISION_OBJTYPE_GEOMETRIC	11
ColorMatch	VISION_OBJTYPE_COLORMATCH	14
LineFinder	VISION_OBJTYPE_LINEFINDER	15
LineInspector	VISION_OBJTYPE_ARCFINDER	16
ArcFinder	VISION_OBJTYPE_DEFECTFINDER	17
DefectFinder	VISION_OBJTYPE_LINEINSPECTOR	18
ArcInspector	VISION_OBJTYPE_ARCINSPECTOR	19

Remarks

Use the Type property to determine the type of an object at runtime. This is useful for generic functions such as for data logging that need the object type in order to know which properties and / or results to access.

Example

```
Integer i, count, objType, score
Real area
VGet seq1.Objects.Count, count
For i = 1 To count
    VGet seq1.Objects(i).Type, objType
    Select objType
        Case VISION_OBJTYPE_CORRELATION
            VGet seq1.Objects(i).Score, score
            ' log some data here
        Case VISION_OBJTYPE_BLOB
            VGet seq1.Objects(i).Area, area
            ' log some data here
    Send
Next i
```

See Also

Objects Property

UPCExpansionEnabled Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to support supplemental data in a UPC-E barcode.

Remarks

Default: False

See Also

Object Tab, UPCOutputChecksum Property

UPCOutputChecksum Property

Design time only

Applies To

Vision Object: CodeReader

Description

Sets whether to include the checksum value in the UPC barcode Text result.

Remarks

Default: True

See Also

Object Tab, UPCExpansionEnabled Property

UpwardLamp Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Sets / returns the I/O output bit used for the calibration upward camera lamp.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.UpwardLamp*, *var*

VSet *Calibration.UpwardLamp*, *value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Integer value of a valid output bit.

Default: None

Remarks

Use the UpwardLamp property to automatically turn on a camera lamp during the calibration cycle for a calibration using an upward camera to find the reference point.

See Also

Lamp Property, LampDelay Property

UpwardSequence Property

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

UpwardSequence specifies the sequence used by an upward looking camera for a mobile calibration target reference.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.UpwardSequence, var*

VSet *Calibration.UpwardSequence, value*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property.

Values

String that contains the vision sequence name.

Default: None

See Also

ReferenceType Property, TargetSequence Property

VCal Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VCal enables you to run a vision calibration from a SPEL⁺ program.

Usage

VCal *Calibration*

Calibration Name of the Calibration to be calibrated.

Remarks

The calibration definition must be set up from the Vision Guide window or created using VCreateCalibration before a calibration will run. Also, the calibration points must already be taught, or you can use a point file in the controller with the same name as the calibration that has the point data required for calibration. If EPSON RC+ sees this point file, it will use the points in the file. See the following example.

After executing a calibration with VCal, you must call VSave to save the new calibration data.

Note:

When the camera to be used for the calibration is connected to CV1, EPSON RC+ needs to be connected to the robot controller. Otherwise, the command will result in an execution error.

Example 1

In this example 1, disable the AutoReference property and enable the AutoCamPoints property to perform calibration of the mobile J6 camera.

```
Function CalMobileJ6
  String cal$

  cal$ = "mycal"
  VCreateCalibration 1, cal$
  VSet cal$.CameraOrientation, VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ6
  VSet cal$.TargetSequence, "calSeq"
  VSet cal$.AutoReference, False
  VSet cal$.AutoCamPoints, True
  VCalPoints cal$
  VCal cal$
  VSave
Fend
```


Example 2

In this example 2, use a recognition result of nine points using a calibrated mobile camera instead of implementing teaching to calibrate a fixed downward camera.

```
Function CalFixedCamera As Boolean
    Integer i
    Boolean found
    Real x, y, u
    String obj$
    ' "mobileCal" is a sequence with 9 blobs that uses a mobile calibration.
    ' First we search with the mobile camera
    Jump mobileCamView
    VRun mobileCal
    VGet mobileCal.AllFound, found
    If Not found Then
        MsgBox "Could not find all targets"
        Exit Function
    EndIf
    For i = 1 TO 9
        obj$ = "blob0" + Str$(i)
        VGet mobileCal.obj$.RobotXYU, found, x, y, u
        ' Save each target point in robot coordinates
        P(i) = XY(x, y, 0, 0)
    Next i
    ' Save the points for VCal to use
    ' Note that "fixed" is the name of the calibration
    SavePoints "fixed.pts"
    Jump clearFixed
    ' Calibrate the fixed camera calibration scheme
    VCal fixed
    CalFixedCamera = True
Fend
```

See Also

ShowConfirmation Property, VCalPoints, VCreateCalibration, Vision Sequences, VSave

VCalPoints Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VCalPoints enables you to teach points for a vision calibration from a SPEL⁺ program.

Usage

VCalPoints *Calibration*

Calibration Name of the Calibration to be calibrated.

Remarks

When VCalPoints executes, a dialog is displayed that allows the user to teach the calibration points for the specified calibration definition.

After teaching calibration points with VCalPoints, you must call VSave to make the changes permanent.

Note

When the camera to be used for the calibration is connected to CV1, the EPSON RC+ needs to be connected to the robot controller. Otherwise, the command will result in an execution error.

See Also

VCal, Vision Sequences, VSave

VCIs Statement

Runtime only

Applies To

The Graphics display

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VCIs clears the image display area of all graphics.

Usage

VCIs

Remarks

VCIs causes all graphics which were drawn during execution of a vision sequence to be removed from the image display area. This is most often used to remove screen clutter between vision sequences. For example, if your application uses vision in only one part of the application, you may want to clear the image display area while the robot is doing other parts of the application since the vision processing stage of the application is complete.

VCIs is available only from the SPEL⁺ Language.

See Also

VGet, VRun, VSet, Vision Sequences

VCreateCalibration Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VCreateCalibration creates a vision calibration at runtime.

Usage

VCreateCalibration *CameraNumber, CalibrationName, [CopyCalibName]*

CameraNumber Numerical expression containing a camera number to be used for new calibration.

CalibrationName String expression containing new calibration name.

CopyCalibName Optional. String expression containing the name of copy source calibration

Remarks

Here are the basic steps to create a runtime calibration:

1. Execute VCreateCalibration.
2. Use VSet to set CameraOrientation and TargetSequence properties. Set other properties as necessary.
3. If the camera is not Standalone, you must create a point file for the calibration using the same name, or call VCalPoints to teach calibration points.
4. Execute VCal to run the calibration.
5. Set the Calibration property for one or more sequences that will use the new calibration.
6. Execute VSave to save the changes.

To make changes to the vision configuration permanent, you must call VSave.

Example

```
Function CreateCal
String cal$

cal$ = "mycal"
VCreateCalibration 1, cal$
VSet cal$.CameraOrientation, VISION_CAMORIENT_MOBILEJ2
VSet cal$.TargetSequence, "calSeq"
VCalPoints cal$
VCal cal$
VSave
Fend
```

See Also

VCreateObject Statement, VCreateSequence Statement, VSave Statement

VCreateObject Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VCreateObject creates an object at runtime.

Usage

VCreateObject *Sequence, ObjectName, ObjectType*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string expression containing a sequence name.

ObjectName String expression containing the name of an object to create in sequence *Sequence*.

ObjectType Integer expression for the vision object type.

Object Type	Constant	Value
Correlation	VISION_OBJTYPE_CORRELATION	1
Blob	VISION_OBJTYPE_BLOB	2
Edge	VISION_OBJTYPE_EDGE	3
Polar	VISION_OBJTYPE_POLAR	4
Line	VISION_OBJTYPE_LINE	5
Point	VISION_OBJTYPE_POINT	6
Frame	VISION_OBJTYPE_FRAME	7
ImageOp	VISION_OBJTYPE_IMAGEOP	8
Ocr	VISION_OBJTYPE_OCR	9
CodeReader	VISION_OBJTYPE_CODEREADER	10
Geometric	VISION_OBJTYPE_GEOMETRIC	11
ColorMatch	VISION_OBJTYPE_COLORMATCH	14
LineFinder	VISION_OBJTYPE_LINEFINDER	15
ArcFinder	VISION_OBJTYPE_ARCFINDER	16
DefectFinder	VISION_OBJTYPE_DEFECTFINDER	17
LineInspector	VISION_OBJTYPE_LINEINSPECTOR	18
ArcInspector	VISION_OBJTYPE_ARCINSPECTOR	19

Remarks

Use VCreateObject to add an object to an existing vision sequence at runtime. Use VSave to save it after setting the properties.

See Also

VCreateCalibration, VCreateSequence, VSave

VCreateSequence Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VCreateSequence creates an new vision sequence at runtime.

Usage

VCreateSequence *CameraNumber, SequenceName, [CopySequenceName]*

CameraNumber Numerical expression containing a camera number to be used for a new sequence.

SequenceName String expression containing new sequence name.

CopySequenceName Optional. String expression containing the name of the copy source sequence.

Remarks

Use VCreateSequence to create a new vision sequence at runtime. Use VCreateObject to add objects to the sequence. Use VSave to save it after setting the properties.

See Also

VCreateCalibration, VCreateObject, VSave

VDefArm Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

VDefArm calculates an arm set value of the mobile J2 camera using a feature point detectable by the vision system.

Usage

VDefArm *ArmNumber, ArmType, ArmsetMode, Sequence, [Rotation],[TargetTolerance]*

ArmNumber Integer variable that contains the arm number to perform arm set (1 to 15).

ArmType Integer expression that contains the arm type.

VISION_DEFARM_J2CAM: calculates a center of mobile J2 camera image.

ArmsetMode Integer variable that contains the arm set mode.

VISION_DEFARM_MODE_ROUGH:

A mode to run a rough arm set.

Although the robot motion is small, setting accuracy will be about 1 mm.

VISION_DEFARM_MODE_FINE:

A mode to run a fine arm set.

By operating the robot largely while changing the hand orientation, it realizes arm setting with a higher accuracy.

Sequence Name of a sequence or string expression containing a sequence name

Rotation Real variable that contains rotation angle (degrees) for a rough arm set.
Value range: $1 \leq \text{angle} \leq 45$ Default: 5 degrees

TargetTolerance Real variable containing a pixel distance to consider that the vision detection result matches the target position.
Value range: 0 to 3 pixels Default: 1
If omitted or "0" is specified, it is set to "1".

Remarks

VDefArm calculates an arm set value of the mobile J2 camera using a feature point detectable by the vision system.

Set a horizontal distance from J2 to the center of orientation and offset angle of J2. Default value is set to other parameters.

See Also

VDefGetMotionRange Statement, VDefLocal Statement, VDefSetMotionRange Statement, VDefTool Statement VGoCenter Statement

VDefGetMotionRange Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

VDefGetMotionRange acquires values of the motion range limited by VDefTool, VDefArm, VDefLocal, and VGoCenter.

Usage

VDefGetMotionRange *MaxMoveDist*, [*MaxPoseDiffAngle*],[*LjmMode*]

<i>MaxMoveDist</i>	Real variable that contains the maximum distance of move. If 0 is specified, the range is not limited. (0 to 500. Default: 200) VDefTool, VDefArm, VDefLocal, and VGoCenter are used to limit the range.
<i>MaxPoseDiffAngle</i>	Real variable that contains the maximum displacement angle (degrees) of tool orientation (UVW). If 0 is specified, the angle is not limited. It only affects VDefLocal. (0 to 180. Default: 45 degrees)
<i>LjmMode</i>	Integer variable that will contains the LJM mode.

Remarks

VDefGetMotionRange limits the motion range by VDefTool, VDefArm, VDefLocal, and VGoCenter.

LJM mode controls the posture flag of the point data to prevent unintended rotation of the wrist. LJM mode vales are the same values as LJM function of SPEL+.

See Also

VDefTool Statement, VDefArm Statement, VDefLocal Statement, VGoCenter Statement,
VDefSetMotionRange Statement

VDefLocal Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

CV2 firmware Ver. 3.0.0.0 or later

Description

VDefLocal detects a calibration plate placed on a work plane by a mobile camera, and defines local coordinates parallel to the work plane.

Usage

VDefLocal *LocalNumber, LocalType, Sequence*,[*TargetTolerance*],[*CameraTooNo*]

VDefLocal *LocalNumber, LocalType, CalibPlateType*,
Sequence,[*TargetTolerance*],[*CameraTooNo*],[*RefPointNo*]

LocalNumber Integer variable representing a tool number to set local coordinates (1-15)

LocalType Integer variable representing a local type

VISION_DEFLOCAL_J6CAM:

Specifies local coordinates parallel to a calibration plate by using the mobile J6 camera.

CalibPlateType Integer variable that will contains the type of calibration plate.

VISION_CALIBPLATE_L: Large calibration plate

VISION_CALIBPLATE_M: Medium calibration plate

VISION_CALIBPLATE_S: Small calibration plate

VISION_CALIBPLATE_XS: Extra small calibration plate

Sequence String expression representing a vision sequence name of current project.

When using the mobile camera, this is a vision sequence to detect a reference marker on the calibration plate.

When using the fixed camera, this is a vision sequence to detect a feature point at tool end, such as user's workpiece.

TargetTolerance Real variable containing a pixel distance to consider that the vision detection result matches the target position.

Value range: 0 to 3 pixel

Default: 1

If omitted or "0" is specified,, it is set to "1".

CameraTooNo VISION_DEFLOCAL_J6CAM:

If auto calibration has been executed, specify a tool number of mobile camera.

To perform auto calibration, specify -1.

RefPoint Specifies the point which a local plane parallel to a work plane passes.
This point is used to specify the local plane height.

Remarks

VDefLocal detects a calibration plate placed on a work plane by a mobile camera, and defines local coordinates parallel to the work plane.

See Also

VDefArm Statement, VDefGetMotionRange Statement, VDefSetMotionRange Statement, VDefTool Statement, VGoCenter Statement

VDefSetMotionRange Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

VDefSetMotionRange limits a motion range by VDefTool, VDefArm, VDefLocal, and VGoCenter.

Usage

VDefSetMotionRange *MaxMoveDist*, [*MaxPoseDiffAngle*],[*LjmMode*]

<i>MaxMoveDist</i>	Real value representing the maximum distance of move. If 0 is specified, the range is not limited. (0 to 500. Default: 200) VDefTool, VDefArm, VDefLocal, and VGoCenter are used to limit the range.
<i>MaxPoseDiffAngle</i>	Real value representing the maximum displacement angle (degrees) of tool orientation (UVW). If 0 is specified, the angle is not limited. It only affects VDefLocal. (0 to 180. Default: 45 degrees)
<i>LjmMode</i>	Integer variable that will contains the LJM mode.

Remarks

VDefSetMotionRange limits a motion range by VDefTool, VDefArm, VDefLocal, and VGoCenter.

LJM mode controls the posture flag of the point data to prevent unintended rotation of the wrist. LJM mode vales are the same values as LJM function of SPEL+.

See Also

VDefTool Statement, VDefArm Statement, VDefLocal Statement, VGoCenter Statement,
VDefGetMotionRange Statement

VDefTool Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

VDefTool uses vision detection to calculate a tool offset value for TCP and mobile camera position.

Usage

VDefTool *ToolNumber, ToolDefType, Sequence, [FinalAngle],[InitialAngle],[TargetTolerance]*

<i>ToolNumber</i>	Integer variable representing a tool number to perform tool set. (1-15)
<i>ToolDefType</i>	Integer variable representing a tool type. VISION_DEFTOOL_FIXEDNOCAL: Tool set by using the fixed camera which is not calibrated. VISION_DEFTOOL_J4CAM: Calculates image center of the mobile J4 camera. VISION_DEFTOOL_J6CAM: Calculates image center of the mobile J6 camera.
<i>Sequence</i>	Name of a sequence or string expression containing a sequence name.
<i>FinalAngle</i>	Integer variable containing an angle (degrees) to rotate the tool or camera tool. Value range: 5 to 180, -5 to -180[degrees] Default: 90 When specifying positive value, rotate to +U-axis direction of the tool coordinate system. When specifying negative value, rotate to -U-axis direction of the tool coordinate system. If omitted or "0" is specified, it is set to 90 degrees.
<i>InitialAngle</i>	Real variable containing an angle (degrees) to rotate the tool or camera tool in provisional tool setting. Value range: -10 to 10[degrees] Default: 5 When specifying positive value, rotate to +U-axis direction of the tool coordinate system. When specifying negative value, rotate to -U-axis direction of the tool coordinate system. If omitted or "0" is specified, it is set to 5 degrees. Absolute value of this value must be smaller than that of <i>FinalAngle</i> .
<i>TargetTolerance</i>	Real variable containing a pixel distance to consider that the vision detection result matches the target position. Value range: 0 to 3 pixel Default: 1 If omitted or "0" is specified,, it is set to "1".

Remarks

VDefTool uses vision detection to calculate a tool offset value for TCP and mobile camera position.

If the tool type is the fixed camera, X and Y are set as tool offset of TCP. At this time, 0 is set for Z, U, V, and W. If the tool type is mobile J4 camera and J6 camera, X, Y, and U are set as tool offset for installation position of the mobile camera. At this time, 0 is set for Z, V, and W.

See Also

VDefArm Statement, VDefGetMotionRange Statement, VDefSetMotionRange Statement, VDefTool Statement, VGoCenter Statement

VDeleteCalibration Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VDeleteCalibration deletes a vision calibration at runtime.

Usage

VDeleteCalibration *CalibrationName*

CalibrationName Calibration name or string expression that contains the calibration name.

Remarks

Use VDeleteCalibration to delete a vision calibration at runtime. If the calibration does not exist, no error occurs. Use VSave to save vision settings after deleting the calibration.

See Also

VCreateCalibration, VDeleteObject, VDeleteSequence, VSave

Example

```
VDeleteCalibration "mycal"
```

VDeleteObject Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VDeleteObject deletes a vision object at runtime.

Usage

VDeleteObject *Sequence, ObjectName*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string expression containing a sequence name.

ObjectName String expression containing the name of an object to delete in sequence *Sequence*.

Remarks

Use VDeleteObject to delete a vision object at runtime. If the object does not exist, no error occurs. Use VSave to save vision settings after deleting the object.

See Also

VCreateObject, VDeleteCalibration, VDeleteSequence, VSave

Example

```
VDeleteObject "myseq", "blob01"
```

VDeleteSequence Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VDeleteSequence deletes a vision sequence at runtime.

Usage

VDeleteSequence *SequenceName*

SequenceName Sequence name or string variable that contains the sequence name.

Remarks

Use VDeleteSequence to delete a vision sequence at runtime. If the sequence does not exist, no error occurs. Use VSave to save vision settings after deleting the sequence .

See Also

VCreateSequence, VDeleteCalibration, VDeleteObject, VSave

Example

```
VDeleteSequence "myseq"
```

VGet Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence
 Vision Calibration
 Vision Objects: All

Description

VGet is used to get the values of properties and results in SPEL+ and RC+ API.

Usage

VGet *Sequence* .*Property*, *var*

VGet *Calibration* .*Property*, *var*

VGet *Sequence* .***Object*** .*Property*, *var*

VGet *Sequence* .***Object*** .*Result*[(*resultIndex*)], *var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence. Omit *Object* if you are retrieving a sequence or calibration property or result.

Property Name of the property to set or return the value of.

Result Name of the result to get the value of. You can optionally specify a *resultIndex* for objects that can return more than one set of result data, such as Blob and Correlation. This allows you to obtain a particular result without setting the CurrentResult property.

var Variable(s) that will contain the value(s) returned.

Remarks

VGet is a powerful part of the Vision Guide structure. It provides the core mechanism to get the property and result values from the vision objects that are run from vision sequences.

VGet can be used to get property values before running a vision sequence so that you can check the value of a specific property or even check and set it by using the VGet statement and then the VSet statement. VGet can also be used to get property values after running a vision sequence

The most common use for VGet is to get the result values from vision objects after they have been run in a sequence. This allows you to use the results to make decisions, perform calculations, define point positions and a whole host of other things. In order to use VGet with results, you must first VRun the sequence which contains the vision object for which you want to get a result from. For example, assume you created a vision sequence which uses a Blob object to find how many holes are present in a specific part. This means you will want to VGet the value of the Holes result for the Blob object. The following SPEL⁺ program shows how VGet would be used in this instance.

```
Function test
'It is assumed that a sequence called FindHoles has already been created
'prior to running this program. FindHoles contains a Blob object called Part
'which is configured to find how many holes are in the search window.
'In this example, we will run the sequence and then display the number
'of holes which were found.

    Integer count

    VRun FindHoles                'Run the vision sequence
    VGet FindHoles.Part.Holes, count 'Get the # of holes found

    Print count, "holes found"
Fend
```

See Also

VRun, VSet, Vision Sequences

VGoCenter Statement

Applies To

Vision Calibration
CV2 firmware Ver.3.0.0.0 or later

Description

Using a feature point, VGoCenter moves the robot so that the feature point can be captured at the center of the camera image.

Usage

VGoCenter *Sequence*, [*LocalNo*],[*TargetTolerance*]

<i>Sequence</i>	Name of a sequence or string variable representing a sequence name.
<i>LocalNo</i>	Integer variable representing the local coordinate number where the robot is moved. (-1 <= value <= 15. Default: -1) Tool is moved in the XY plane of the specified local coordinate. If omitted or a negative value -1 is specified, the robot moves on the XY plane of the tool posture at command call.
<i>TargetTolerance</i>	Real variable containing a pixel distance to consider that the vision detection result matches the target position. Value range: 0 to 3 pixels. Default: 1 If omitted or "0" is specified, it is set to "1".

Remarks

Using a feature point, VGoCenter moves the robot so that the feature point can be captured at the center of the camera image.

See Also

VCal

VLoad Statement

Applies To

All Vision Properties

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

Loads all vision properties for the current project from disk.

Usage

VLoad

Remarks

Use VLoad to restore all vision properties at runtime to design time values.

When VLoad executes, it loads the data from the .VIS file in the project directory.

Note:

When using a CV1, EPSON RC+ needs to be connected to the robot controller. Otherwise, the command will result in an execution error.

See Also

VSave

VLoadModel Statement

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, Polar, DefectFinder

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

Loads a model from a file on the controller that was created with VSaveModel.

Usage

VLoadModel *Sequence.Object, fileName*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name.
The object must exist in the specified sequence.

fileName Path and file name.

Remarks

VLoadModel can be used in applications where you have several different part models but the same vision sequence can be used. The *fileName* parameter refers to a file that was previously saved with VSaveModel for the same type of vision object.

When you are using the Compact Vision, USB memory can be specified in *filename*. When using USB memory, specify *fileName* as CVUSB:\path\filename

VLoadModel can be used with the following vision objects:

- Correlation
- Geometric
- Polar
- DefectFinder

Example

```
VLoadModel seq1.Corr01, "c:\models\corr01.mdl"
```

See Also

VSaveModel

VRun Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence

Description

VRun is a SPEL⁺ language statement used to initiate execution of vision sequences which were created in the Vision Guide development environment or at runtime using VCreateSequence.

Usage

VRun *Sequence*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string expression containing a sequence name.

Remarks

The VRun SPEL⁺ Language statement initiates execution of vision sequences.

When VRun is initiated the vision sequence specified begins execution. First, an image is acquired (unless the user has set the RuntimeAcquire property to None) into the image buffer, and then vision objects are applied to that image as defined in the vision sequence.

It is important to note that when AsyncMode is True (default), VRun returns prior to completing execution of the vision sequence specified with VRun. Once the image is acquired, VRun returns control to the next SPEL⁺ statement which follows VRun. This improves the throughput of the overall cycle time by allowing other SPEL⁺ statements to execute while vision processing occurs. (For example, the robot can move during vision processing, or a calculation could be performed during this time.) When AsyncMode is False, VRun acquires the image (if necessary) and runs all objects before returning.

Once VRun is executed, VGet is normally used to get the results of the vision sequence such as part position data, good part bad part status, part count information or many other results. Shown below is a simple program which uses VRun and VGet to execute a vision sequence and then use results from that sequence to display useful information to the user.

Before running the program, create a sequence called "FindHoles" and a blob object called "Part".

```
Function test
'It is assumed that a sequence called FindHoles has already been created
'prior to running this program. FindHoles contains a Blob object called Part
'which is configured to find how many holes are in the search window.
'In this example, we will run the sequence and then display the number
'of holes which were found.

Integer count

VRun FindHoles                      'Run the vision sequence
VGet FindHoles.Part.Holes, count    'Get the # of holes found

Print count, "holes found"
Fend
```

See Also

VGet, VSet, Vision Sequences

VSave Statement

Applies To

All Vision Properties
CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

Saves all vision properties for the current project to disk.

Usage

VSave

Remarks

Use **VSave** to make runtime changes to vision properties permanent.

When **VSave** executes, it updates the .VIS file in the project directory.

Note:

When using a CV1, EPSON RC+ needs to be connected to the robot controller. Otherwise, the command will result in an execution error.

See Also

VLoad, VSet

VSaveImage Statement

Applies To

Sequence

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

Saves the current frame grabber image on a disk file.

Usage

VSaveImage *Sequence*, *fileName*[, *saveGraphics*]

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

fileName Path and file name. The file extension must be BMP(Default format), TIF, or JPG.

saveGraphics Optional. Specify whether to save the image detection result with the graphics included.

Remarks

VSaveImage can be used to save an image to a disk file at run time. This is particularly useful for analyzing images where parts were not found.

The image that is saved is the currently displayed image. The RuntimeFreeze property should be set to True for the sequence that you are saving the image from.

When you are using Compact Vision, USB memory plugged into the CV unit can be specified in *filename*. as CVUSB:\path\filename.

When *saveGraphics* is True, the image and sequence result graphics will be saved (Default: false).

Example

```
VRun seq1
VGet seq1.AllFound, found
If found = False Then
    VSaveImage seq1, "c:\badimages\seq1.bmp"
EndIf
```

See Also

ImageFile Property, SaveImage Property

VSaveModel Statement

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, Polar

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

Saves a model for a vision object on disk.

Usage

VSaveModel *Sequence.Object, fileName*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

fileName Path and file name excluding the extension.

Remarks

VSaveModel can be used in applications when you have several different part models. Normally, a model for each object is stored in the Vision Guide data files. VSaveModel allows you to save the models into specified files so you can load them into other objects of the same type.

When you are using the Compact Vision, USB memory can be specified in *filename* as CVUSB:\path\filename.

VSaveModel can be used with the following vision objects:

- Correlation
- Geometric
- Polar
- DefectFinder

Example

```
Integer status
```

```
VTeach seq1.corr01, status
```

```
If status = 1 Then
```

```
    VSaveModel seq1.corr01, "c:\models\corr01.mdl"
```

```
EndIf
```

See Also

VLoadModel

VSet Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence
Vision Calibration
Vision Objects: All

Description

VSet is used to set the values of properties from the SPEL⁺ Language.

Usage

VSet *Sequence.Property, value*

VSet *Calibration.Property, value*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Property, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Calibration Name of the Calibration to set the property value for.

Object Name of the Object set the property value for. Omit if setting property for sequence or calibration.

Property Name of the property to set a new value for.

value Expression for the new value. The data type depends on the property type.

Remarks

VSet is used to set property values for vision sequences, calibrations, and objects from the SPEL⁺ language. Save the vision settings using VSave after setting the property.

For many vision sequences all the proper property settings will be set from within the Vision Guide development environment. However, there are also times when you will want to set property values in a SPEL⁺ program prior to running a vision sequence. For example, you may want to set the NumberToFind property before running a sequence, or maybe you want to use the same vision sequence with 2 different cameras. Both of these scenarios can be handled in SPEL⁺ using VSet.

Shown below is a Vision Guide program which runs the same vision sequence for 2 different cameras to calculate the number of holes found in a board.

It is assumed that a Sequence called "FindHoles" has already been created prior to running this program. FindHoles contains a "Part" Blob object which is configured to find the number of holes in the Search Window using Holes Result. In this example, we will run the sequence and then display the number of holes which were found.

When VSet is called from a program, changes are only made in memory and are not saved. You must call VSave to make the changes permanent. Otherwise, after program execution stops, the vision system is restored to the previously saved state.


```
Function test

Integer count
#define CAMERA1 1
#define CAMERA2 2

VSet FindHoles.Camera, CAMERA1      ' Find holes for part at camera 1
VSave
VRun FindHoles                      ' Run the Vision Sequence
VGet FindHoles.Part.Holes, count    ' Get the # of holes which were found
Print "Camera1 holes found =", count

VSet FindHoles.Camera, CAMERA2      ' Repeat for camera 2
VSave
VRun FindHoles
VGet FindHoles.Part.Holes, count    ' Get the # of holes which were found
Print "Camera2 holes found =", count

Fend
```

See Also

VGet, VRun, VSave, VSet, Vision Sequences

VShowModel Statement

Applies To

Vision Objects: Correlation, Geometric, DefectFinder, Polar

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

The VShowModel command allows a previously taught model to be displayed in the model window at various zoom settings from a SPEL⁺ program. For more details, see the ShowModel property.

Usage

VShowModel *Sequence.Object*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

Remarks

If changes are made to the model, such as don't care pixels, you must call VSave to make the changes permanent.

Example

```
vshowModel seq1.corr01
```

See Also

VSaveModel, VTeach, VTrain

VStatsReset Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

The VStatsReset command resets all statistics in memory for one sequence in the current project. This includes all of the objects in the sequence. If you want to save the statistics to the file, execute VStatsSave.

Usage

VStatsReset *Sequence*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

See Also

VGet, VRun, VStatsResetAll, VStatsSave, Vision Sequences

VStatsResetAll Statement

Applies To

- All vision sequences in current project
- CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

The VStatsResetAll command resets all statistics in memory for all vision sequences in the current project. If you want to save the statistics to the file, execute VStatsSave

Usage

VStatsResetAll

See Also

VGet, VRun, VStatsResetAll, VStatsSave, Vision Sequences

VStatsSave Statement

Applies To

All vision sequences in current project
CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

The VStatsSave command saves all vision statistics in the current project to a file in the current project's directory. The filename is the name of the project with an .STX extension.

Usage

VStatsSave

Remarks

Statistics are saved whenever the EPSON RC+ is closed. So typically VStatsSave is not needed. However, if you want to reset the saved statistics, execute VStatsSave after executing VStatsResetAll, or VStatsReset.

If no sequences have been run, no statistics file will be created.

If all statistics have been reset with the VStatsResetAll command, then the file will be deleted.

When you are using the Compact Vision, the statistics file will be saved in the Compact Vision.

See Also

VGet, VRun, VStatsReset, VStatsResetAll

VStatsShow Statement

Applies To

Vision Sequence

CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

Displays statistics for a specified sequence.

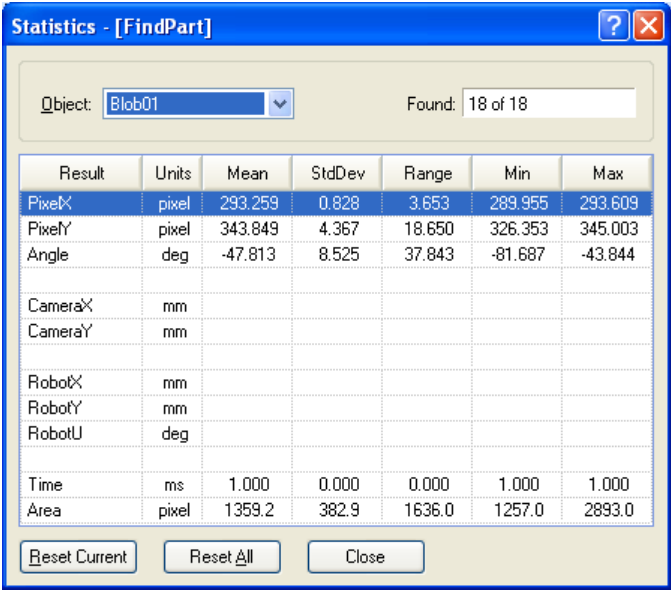
Usage

VStatsShow *Sequence*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Remarks

VStatsShow will display a dialog showing the statistics for all objects in the specified sequence.



Statistics - [FindPart]

Object: Found: 18 of 18

Result	Units	Mean	StdDev	Range	Min	Max
PixelX	pixel	293.259	0.828	3.653	289.955	293.609
PixelY	pixel	343.849	4.367	18.650	326.353	345.003
Angle	deg	-47.813	8.525	37.843	-81.687	-43.844
CameraX	mm					
CameraY	mm					
RobotX	mm					
RobotY	mm					
RobotU	deg					
Time	ms	1.000	0.000	0.000	1.000	1.000
Area	pixel	1359.2	382.9	1636.0	1257.0	2893.0

Reset Current Reset All Close

Example

VStatsShow Seq1

See Also

VStatsReset, VStatsResetAll, VStatsSave

VTeach Statement

Applies To

Vision Objects: ColorMatch, Correlation, Geometric, ImageOp, OCR, Polar
CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VTeach enables you to teach a vision model from a SPEL⁺ program.

Usage

VTeach *Sequence.Object, var*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the return status.

Values

Returns status in *var*. If the teach operation was successful, *var* will contain 1, otherwise it will contain 0.

Remarks

The object must exist before you can call VTeach. When VTeach executes, an image is acquired first. Next, all previous ImageOp objects are run. Then the model is taught using the current model window.

When using the ColorMatch or ImageOp objects, you must first set the CurrentModel property before executing VTeach.

After executing VTeach, you must call VSave to make the changes permanent.

Example

```
Integer status

VTeach seq1.corr01, status
If status = 1 Then
    VSave
EndIf
```

See Also

CurrentModel Property, VSaveModel, VTrain

VTrain Statement

Applies To

Vision Objects: Blob, Correlation, Edge, Geometric, Polar, ImageOp, Frame Line, Point
CV1 firmware Ver. 2.1.0 or later

Description

VTrain enables you to train the search window and model window for an object from a SPEL⁺ program.

Usage

VTrain *Sequence* [*Object*], *var* [, *flags*]

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Optional. Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence. If omitted, the entire sequence can be trained.

var Integer variable that will contain the return status.

flags Optional. Configures VTrain operation.
1 - Show teach button.
2 - Don't show model windows.

Values

Returns status in *var*. If the user clicks OK, *var* will contain 1, otherwise it will contain 0.

Remarks

The sequence must exist before you call VTrain. If *Object* is specified then it must exist in the specified sequence before you can call VTrain. When VTrain executes, a dialog is opened showing live video with the specified sequence or object. The user can then move and size the search and model windows just as you would in the Vision Guide window.

If *flags* bit 1 is set, a teach button will be displayed. For objects with models, such as Correlation, Geometric, and Polar objects, the model will be taught if the teach button is clicked. You can retrieve the ModelOK property after running VTrain to check if a model was trained. For Blob objects and ImageOp objects with operation set to Binarize, the teach button will open the Histogram dialog and the operator can adjust both high and low thresholds and then view the effects of changes.

If *flags* bit 2 is set, model windows will not be displayed. The operator can only change search windows.

For objects with models, you can call VTech after calling VTrain to teach the model if you are not displaying the teach button.

After executing VTrain, you must call VSave to make the changes permanent.

See Also

VTech, VSave

X Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Point

Description

Defines the X coordinate of a Point object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.X*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.X*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Min: 0

Max Video width: -1

Remarks

The X property is used to specify the horizontal position of the Point object in the image coordinate system. This property is initially set to the X coordinate where the user drops a newly created Point object. However, if a Point object is associated with another object in the sequence (i.e. the PointType property is set to another vision object and not set to 0-Screen), then the X property for the Point object is automatically modified according to the associated object.

When the PointType property is set to 0-Screen there are two methods which can be used to move the Point object:

- Click on the Point object's label and drag the object to the position you want to place it.
- Change the X and Y properties for the Point object.

See Also

Object Tab, Point Object, Y Property

X1 Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Defines the X1 coordinate of an object where the (X1, Y1) coordinate pair defines the position of the starting point of the object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.X1*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.X1*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Min: 0

Max Video width - 1

Remarks

Line, LineInspector Objects:

The X1 property is used to locate horizontal position for the starting point of a Line object. This property is initially set to the starting point X position where the user drops a newly created Line object. However, if a Point object is associated with another object in the sequence (i.e. the StartPointType property is set to another vision object and not set to 0-Screen), then the X1 property for the Line object is automatically modified according to the associated property.

When the StartPointType property is set to 0-Screen there are 2 methods which can be used to move the Line object:

- Click on the Line object's label and drag the object to the position you want to place it.
- Change the X1, Y1, X2, or Y2 coordinates.

Edge Object:

The X1 property is used to locate horizontal position for the starting point of an Edge object.

See Also

Edge Object, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, StartPointObject Property, StartPointType Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

X2 Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Defines the X2 coordinate of an object where the (X2, Y2) coordinate pair defines the position of the starting point of the object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.X2, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.X2, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Min: 0

Max Video width: -1

Remarks

Line, LineInspector Objects:

The X2 property is used to locate horizontal position for the endpoint of a Line object. This property is initially set to the ending point X position where the user drops a newly created Line object. However, if a Point object is associated with another object in the sequence (i.e. the EndPointType property is set to another vision object and not set to 0-Screen), then the X2 property for the Line object is automatically modified according to the associated property.

When the EndPointType property is set to 0-Screen there are 2 methods which can be used to move the Line object:

- Click on the Line object's label and drag the object to the position you want to place it.
- Change the X1, Y1, X2, or Y2 coordinates.

Edge Object:

The X2 property is used to locate horizontal position for the ending point of an Edge object.

See Also

Edge Object, EndPointObject Property, EndPointType Property, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, X1 Property, Y1 Property, Y2 Property

XAvgError Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the average calibration error along the X axis.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.XAvgError*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

XAvgError is the average calibration error along the X axis detected during calibration.

See Also

XMaxError, XmmPerPixel, YAvgError

XMaxError Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the maximum calibration error along the X axis.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.XMaxError*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

XMaxError is the maximum calibration error along the X axis detected during calibration.

See Also

XAvgError, XmmPerPixel, YMaxError

XmmPerPixel Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the X millimeters/pixel value of the specified calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.XmmPerPixel*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

XmmPerPixel is the number of millimeters per pixel along the camera X axis. The calibration must be completed before XmmPerPixel can be retrieved.

See Also

FOVHeight Result, FOVWidth Result, XAvgError Result, XMaxError Result, YmmPerPixel Result

XTilt Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the calibration X tilt result.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.XTilt*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Remarks

XTilt is a relative value that indicates camera tilt along the camera X axis. The directions are as viewed from the camera in the image coordinate system (plus x is right).

A positive value indicates tilt to the right, negative is tilt to the left.

See Also

YTilt Result

Y Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Point

Description

Defines the Y coordinate of a Point object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Y*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Y*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Min: 0

Max: Video height- 1

Remarks

The Y property is used to locate the vertical position of the Point object in the image coordinate system. This property is initially set to the Y position where the user drops a newly created Point object. However, if a Point object is associated with another object in the sequence (i.e. the PointType property is set to another vision object and not set to 0-Screen), then the Y property for the Point object is automatically modified according to the associated object.

When the PointType property is set to 0-Screen, there are two methods which can be used to move the Point object:

- Click on the Point object's label and drag the object to the position you want to -place it.
- Change the X and Y properties for the Point object.

See Also

Object Tab, Point Object, X Property

Y1 Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Defines the Y1 coordinate of an object where the (X1, Y1) coordinate pair defines the position of the starting point of the object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Y1, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Y1, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Min: 0

Max :Video height- 1

Remarks

Line, LineInspector Objects:

The Y1 property is used to locate vertical position for the starting point of a Line object. This property is initially set to the Y position where the user drops a newly created Line object. However, if a Point object is associated with another object in the sequence (i.e. the StartPointType property is set to another vision object and not set to 0–Screen), then the Y1 property for the Line object is automatically modified according to the associated property.

When the StartPointType property is set to 0–Screen there are 2 methods which can be used to move the Line object:

- Click on the Line object's label and drag the object to the position you want to place it.
- Change the X1, Y1, X2, or Y2 coordinates.

Edge Object:

The Y1 property is used to locate vertical position for the starting point of an Edge object.

See Also

Edge Object, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, StartPointObject property, StartPointType property, X1 property, X2 property, Y2 property

Y2 Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Edge, Line, LineInspector

Description

Defines the Y2 coordinate of an object where the (X2, Y2) coordinate pair defines the position of the starting point of the object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.Y2*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.Y2*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Min: 0

Max: Video height- 1

Remarks

There are cases where the user may want to position a Point object dynamically and for that reason the Y2 property can also be set from the SPEL⁺ Language.

Line, LineInspector Objects:

The Y2 property is used to locate vertical position for the ending point of a Line object. This property is initially set to the ending point Y position where the user drops a newly created Line object. However, if a Point object is associated with another object in the sequence (i.e. the EndPointerType property is set to another vision object and not set to 0-Screen), then the Y2 property for the Line object is automatically modified according to the associated property.

When the EndPointerType property is set to 0-Screen there are two methods which can be used to move the Line object:

- Click on the Line object's label and drag the object to the position you want to place it.
- Change the X1, Y1, X2, or Y2 coordinates.

Edge Object:

The Y1 property is used to locate vertical position for the ending point of an Edge object.

See Also

Edge Object, EndPointObject Property, EndPointerType Property, Line Object, LineInspector Object, Object Tab, X1 Property, X2 Property, Y1 Property

YAxisPntObjResult Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Frame

Description

Specifies which result to use from the YAxisPointObject.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.YAxisPntObjResult, var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.YAxisPntObjResult, value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Integer variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Integer expression for the new value of the property.

Values

The value can range from 1 to the NumberToFind value for the YAxisPointObject.

If the YAxisPointObject is 'Screen', then the value is always 1.

Remarks

Use the YAxisPntObjResult property to specify a result number other than one for a Frame Object's YAxisPoint.

See Also

Frame Object, Object Tab, OriginPntObjResult Property, OriginPoint Property, YAxisPoint Property

YAxisPoint Property

Applies To

Vision Objects: Frame

Description

Defines the vision object to be used as the Y axis point for a Frame object.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.YAxisPoint*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.YAxisPoint*, *value*

Sequence Name of a sequence or string variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var String variable that will contain the value of the property.

value String expression for the new value of the property. Valid vision objects for the YAxisPoint property are: Blob, Correlation, Edge, Line, and Point objects. The YAxisPoint may also be based on the Screen position of the Frame.

Values

Screen or any object that runs prior to the frame and returns PixelX and PixelY results.

Default: Screen

Remarks

When a Frame object is first drag-and-dropped onto the Image display area of the Vision Guide Window, the default YAxisPoint property is set to Screen. Frame objects are normally attached to other Vision objects. This is the purpose of the OriginPoint and YAxisPoint. Through these 2 properties the user can define a frame of reference for other objects to have their position based upon. This capability is useful when specific features can be used to find reference points on a part and then other vision objects can be located on the image with respect to the frame position defined.

The OriginPoint and YAxisPoint properties are used together to define a vision frame which has an origin at the OriginPoint and a Y axis direction defined by the YAxisPoint property.

It is important to note that for each specific vision sequence, only those vision objects which are executed prior to the Frame object in the vision sequence steps will be available to use as an OriginPoint. (The order of the vision object execution can be adjusted from the Sequence Tab.)

When using the point and click interface click on the YAxisPoint property Value Field. Then click on the arrow and a drop down list will appear showing a list of available vision objects (along with the default value Screen) which can be used to define the Y Axis direction of the Frame. Click on one of the choices and the value field will be set accordingly.

When using the Object tab to set the YAxisPoint property it is important to note that only those objects which are defined prior to the Frame object are displayed in the drop down list. This helps reduce the chances of the user defining an OriginPoint which isn't defined prior to the Frame object.

Vision Guide automatically checks which vision objects can be used as the YAxisPoint and displays only those object names in the drop down list.

See Also

Frame Object, Frame Property, Object Tab, OriginPoint Property

YAvgError Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the average calibration error along the Y axis.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.YAvgErr, var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

YAvgError is the average calibration error along the Y axis detected during calibration.

See Also

XAvgError Result, YMaxError Result, YmmPerPixel Result

YMaxError Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the maximum calibration error along the Y axis.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.YMaxErr*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

YMaxError is the maximum calibration error along the Y axis detected during calibration.

See Also

XMaxError Result, YAvgError Result, YmmPerPixel Result

YmmPerPixel Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the Y millimeters/pixel value of the specified calibration.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.YmmPerPixel, var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Values

Real number in millimeters.

Remarks

YmmPerPixel is the number of millimeters per pixel along the camera Y axis. The calibration must be completed before YmmPerPixel can be retrieved.

See Also

FOVHeight Result, FOVWidth Result, XmmPerPixel Result, YAvgError Result, YMaxError Result

YTilt Result

Applies To

Vision Calibration

Description

Returns the calibration Y tilt result.

Usage

VGet *Calibration.YTilt*, *var*

Calibration Name of a calibration or string variable containing a calibration name.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the result.

Remarks

YTilt is a relative value that indicates camera tilt along the camera Y axis. The directions are as viewed from the camera in the image coordinate system (plus y is down).

A positive value indicates tilt down, negative indicates tilt up.

See Also

XTilt Result

ZoomFactor Property

Applies To

Vision Object: ImageOp

Description

Magnifies or reduces an image area.

Usage

VGet *Sequence.Object.ZoomFactor*, *var*

VSet *Sequence.Object.ZoomFactor*, *value*

Sequence String variable containing a sequence name.

Object Name of an object or string variable containing an object name. The object must exist in the specified sequence.

var Real variable that will contain the value of the property.

value Real value or expression for the new value of the property.

Values

Positive real value between 0.1 and 10.0.

Remarks

ZoomFactor resizes the image bounded by the ImageOp search window from the center of the window. When the image is magnified (ZoomFactor value is greater than 1), the enlarged image is clipped by the search window. When the image is reduced (ZoomFactor is less than 1), the image data outside of the search window is used. If not enough data is available, an error will occur.

See Also

ImageOp Object, Operation Property

