

## Preview

In this appendix we develop the ice interactive color editing (ICE) function introduced in Chapter 6. The discussion assumes familiarity on the part of the reader with the material in Section 6.4. Section 6.4 provides many examples of using ice in both pseudo- and full-color image processing (Examples 6.3 through 6.7) and describes the ice calling syntax, input parameters, and graphical interface elements (they are summarized in Tables 6.4 through 6.6). The power of ice is its ability to let users generate color transformation curves interactively and graphically, while displaying the impact of the generated transformations on images in real or near real time.

# Creating ICE's Graphical User Interface

MATLAB's Graphical User Interface Development Environment (GUIDE) provides a rich set of tools for incorporating graphical user interfaces (GUIs) in M-functions. Using GUIDE, the processes of (1) laying out a GUI (i.e., its buttons, pop-up menus, etc.) and (2) programming the operation of the GUI are divided conveniently into two easily managed and relatively independent tasks. The resulting graphical M-function is composed of two identically named (ignoring extensions) files:

- 1. A file with extension .fig, called a FIG-file, that contains a complete graphical description of all the function's GUI objects or elements and their spatial arrangement. A FIG-file contains binary data that does not need to be parsed when the associated GUI-based M-function is executed. The FIG-file for ICE (ice.fig) is described later in this section.
- 2. A file with extension .m, called a GUI M-file, which contains the code that controls the GUI operation. This file includes functions that are called

when the GUI is launched and exited, and callback functions that are executed when a user interacts with GUI objects—for example, when a button is pushed. The GUI M-file for ICE (ice.m) is described in the next section.

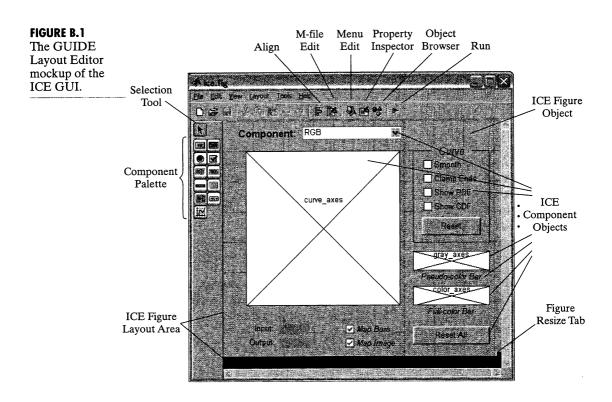
To launch GUIDE from the MATLAB command window, type



#### guide filename

where filename is the name of an existing FIG-file on the current path. If filename is omitted, GUIDE opens a new (i.e., blank) window.

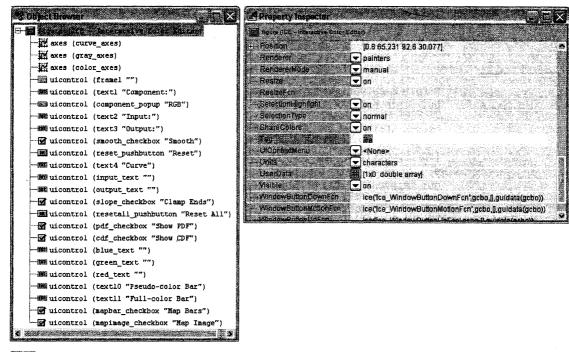
Figure B.1 shows the GUIDE Layout Editor (launched by entering guide ice at the MATLAB >> prompt) for the Interactive Color Editor (ICE) layout. The Layout Editor is used to select, place, size, align, and manipulate graphic objects on a mock-up of the user interface under development. The buttons on its left side form a Component Palette containing the GUI objects that are supported—Push Buttons, Toggle Buttons, Radio Buttons, Checkboxes, Edit Texts, Static Texts, Sliders, Frames, Listboxes, Popup Menus, and Axes. Each object is similar in behavior to its standard Windows' counterpart. And any combination of objects can be added to the figure object in the layout area on the right side of the Layout Editor. Note that the ICE GUI includes checkboxes (Smooth, Clamp Ends, Show PDF, Show CDF, Map Bars, and Map Image), static text ("Component:", "Curve", ...), a frame outlining the curve controls, two



push buttons (Reset and Reset All), a popup menu for selecting a color transformation curve, and three axes objects for displaying the selected curve (with associated control points) and its effect on both a gray-scale wedge and hue wedge. A hierarchical list of the elements comprising ICE (obtained by clicking the *Object Browser* button in the task bar at the top of the Layout Editor) is shown in Fig. B.2(a). Note that each element has been given a unique name or tag. For example, the axes object for curve display (at the top of the list) is assigned the identifier curve\_axes [the identifier is the first entry after the open parenthesis in Fig. B.2(a)].

Tags are one of several properties that are common to all GUI objects. A scrollable list of the properties characterizing a specific object can be obtained by selecting the object [in the Object Browser list of Fig. B.2(a) or layout area of Fig. B.1 using the Selection Tool] and clicking the Property Inspector button on the Layout Editor's task bar. Figure B.2(b) shows the list that is generated when the figure object of Fig. B.2(a) is selected. Note that the figure object's Tag property [highlighted in Fig. B.2(b)] is ice. This property is important because GUIDE uses it to automatically generate figure callback function names. Thus, for example, the WindowButtonDownFcn property at the bottom of the scrollable Property Inspector window, which is executed when a mouse button is pressed over the figure window, is assigned the name ice\_WindowButtonDownFcn. Recall that callback functions are merely M-functions that are executed when a user interacts with a GUI object. Other

The GUIDE generated figure object is a container for all other objects in the interface.



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FIGURE B.2 (a) The GUIDE Object Browser and (b) Property Inspector for the ICE "figure" object.

notable (and common to all GUI objects) properties include the Position and Units properties, which define the size and location of an object.

Finally, we note that some properties are unique to particular objects. A push-button object, for example, has a Callback property that defines the function that is executed when the button is pressed and the String property that determines the button's label. The Callback property of the ICE Reset button is reset\_pushbutton\_Callback [note the incorporation of its Tag property from Fig. B.2(a) in the callback function name]; its String property is "Reset". Note, however, that the Reset pushbutton does not have a WindowButtonMotionFcn property; it is specific to "figure" objects.

## **B.2** Programming the ICE Interface

When the ICE FIG-file of the previous section is first saved or the GUI is first run (e.g., by clicking the *Run* button on the Layout Editor's task bar), GUIDE generates a starting GUI M-file called ice.m. This file, which can be modified using a standard text editor or MATLAB's M-file editor, determines how the interface responds to user actions. The automatically generated GUI M-file for ICE is as follows:

ice

GUIDE generated starting M-file.

```
function varargout = ice(varargin)
% Begin initialization code - DO NOT EDIT
gui Singleton = 1;
gui State = struct('gui_Name',
                                       mfilename, ...
                    'gui_Singleton',
                                       gui_Singleton, ...
                   'gui_OpeningFcn',
                                       @ice_OpeningFcn, ...
                    'gui OutputFcn',
                                       @ice OutputFcn, ...
                   'gui LayoutFcn',
                                       [], ...
                   'gui_Callback',
                                       []);
if nargin & ischar(varargin{1})
   gui State.gui Callback = str2func(varargin{1});
end
if nargout
   [varargout{1:nargout}] = gui mainfcn(gui State, varargin{:});
else
  gui mainfcn(gui State, varargin{:});
end
% End initialization code - DO NOT EDIT
function ice_OpeningFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles, varargin)
handles.output = hObject;
guidata(hObject, handles);
% uiwait(handles.figure1);
function varargout = ice OutputFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles)
varargout{1} = handles.output;
function ice_WindowButtonDownFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles)
function ice WindowButtonMotionFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles)
function ice WindowButtonUpFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles)
```

```
function component_popup_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles) function smooth_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles) function reset_pushbutton_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles) function slope_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles) function resetall_pushbutton_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles) function pdf_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles) function cdf_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles) function mapbar_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles) function mapimage checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
```

This automatically generated file is a useful starting point or prototype for the development of the fully functional ice interface. (Note that we have stripped the file of many GUIDE-generated comments to save space.) In the sections that follow, we break this code into four basic sections: (1) the initialization code between the two "DO NOT EDIT" comment lines, (2) the figure opening and output functions (ice\_OpeningFcn and ice\_OutputFcn), (3) the figure callback functions (i.e., the ice\_WindowButtonDownFcn, ice\_WindowButtonMotionFcn, and ice\_WindowButtonUpFcn functions), and (4) the object callback functions (e.g., reset\_pushbutton\_Callback). When considering each section, completely developed versions of the ice functions contained in the section are given, and the discussion is focused on features of general interest to most GUI M-file developers. The code introduced in each section will not be consolidated (for the sake of brevity) into a single comprehensive listing of ice.m. It is introduced in a piecemeal manner.

The operation of ice was described in Section 6.4. It is also summarized in the following Help text block from the fully developed ice.m M-function:

%ICE Interactive Color Editor.

%

%

%

% ૰ OUT = ICE('Property Name', 'Property Value', ...) transforms an image's color components based on interactively specified mapping functions. Inputs are Property Name/Property Value pairs:

Help text block of final version.

ice

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%	Namé	Value
%		
%	'image'	An RGB or monochrome input image to be
%		transformed by interactively specified
%		mappings.
%	'space'	The color space of the components to be
%		modified. Possible values are 'rgb', 'cmy',
%		'hsi', 'hsv', 'ntsc' (or 'yiq'), 'ycbcr'. When
%		omitted, the RGB color space is assumed.
%	'wait'	If 'on' (the default), OUT is the mapped input
%		image and ICE returns to the calling function
%		or workspace when closed. If 'off', OUT is the
%		handle of the mapped input image and ICE
%		returns immediately.

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   EXAMPLES:
                                              % Demo user interface
%
       ice OR ice('wait', 'off')
       ice('image', f)
                                              % Map RGB or mono image
%
                                              % Map HSV of RGB image
       ice('image', f, 'space', 'hsv')
%
       g = ice('image', f)
                                              % Return mapped image
%
                                              % Return its handle
       g = ice('image', f, 'wait', 'off');
%
```

ICE displays one popup menu selectable mapping function at a time. Each image component is mapped by a dedicated curve (e.g., R, G, or B) and then by an all-component curve (e.g., RGB). Each curve's control points are depicted as circles that can be moved, added, or deleted with a two- or three-button mouse:

Mouse Button	Editing Operation
Left	Move control point by pressing and dragging.
Middle	Add and position a control point by pressing
	and dragging. (Optionally Shift-Left)
Right	Delete a control point. (Optionally
	Control-Left)

Checkboxes determine how mapping functions are computed, whether the input image and reference pseudo- and full-color bars are mapped, and the displayed reference curve information (e.g., PDF):

%	Checkbox	Function
%		
%	Smooth	Checked for cubic spline (smooth curve)
%		interpolation. If unchecked, piecewise linear.
%	Clamp Ends	Checked to force the starting and ending curve
%		slopes in cubic spline interpolation to 0. No
%		effect on piecewise linear.
%	Show PDF	Display probability density function(s) [i.e.,
%		histogram(s)] of the image components affected
%		by the mapping function.
%	Show CDF	Display cumulative distributions function(s)
%		instead of PDFs.
%		<note: are="" cdf="" exclusive.="" mutually="" pdf="" show=""></note:>
%	Map Image	If checked, image mapping is enabled; else
%		not.
%	Map Bars	If checked, pseudo- and full-color bar mapping
%		is enabled; else display the unmapped bars (a
%		gray wedge and hue wedge, respectively).
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% Mapping functions can be initialized via pushbuttons:
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% Button Function
% Reset Init the currently displayed mapping function
and uncheck all curve parameters.
% Reset All Initialize all mapping functions.
```

#### **B.2.1** Initialization Code

The opening section of code in the starting GUI M-file (at the beginning of Section B.2) is a standard GUIDE-generated block of initialization code. Its purpose is to build and display ICE's GUI using the M-file's companion FIG-file (see Section B.1) and control access to all internal M-file functions. As the enclosing "DO NOT EDIT" comment lines indicate, the initialization code should not be modified. Each time ice is called, the initialization block builds a structure called gui\_State, which contains information for accessing ice functions. For instance, named field gui\_Name (i.e., gui\_State.gui\_Name) contains the MATLAB function mfilename, which returns the name of the currently executing M-file. In a similar manner, fields gui\_OpeningFon and gui\_OutputFon are loaded with the GUIDE generated names of ice's opening and output functions (discussed in the next section). If an ICE GUI object is activated by the user (e.g., a button is pressed), the name of the object's callback function is added as field gui\_Callback [the callback's name would have been passed as a string in varargin(1)].



After structure gui\_State is formed, it is passed as an input argument, along with varargin(:), to function gui\_mainfcn. This MATLAB function handles GUI creation, layout, and callback dispatch. For ice, it builds and displays the user interface and generates all necessary calls to its opening, output, and callback functions. Since older versions of MATLAB may not include this function, GUIDE is capable of generating a stand-alone version of the normal GUI M-file (i.e., one that works without a FIG-file) by selecting Export... from the File menu. In the stand-alone version, function gui\_mainfcn and two supporting routines, ice\_LayoutFcn and local\_openfig, are appended to the normally FIG-file dependent M-file. The role of ice\_LayoutFcn is to create the ICE GUI. In the stand-alone version of ice, it begins with the statement

```
gui mainfcn
```

```
0.25 1 0.8125; 0.3125 1 0.75; 0.375 1 0.6875; ...
            0.4375 1 0.625; 0.5 1 0.5625; 0.5625 1 0.5; ...
            0.625 1 0.4375; 0.6875 1 0.375; 0.75 1 0.3125; ...
            0.8125 1 0.25; 0.875 1 0.1875; 0.9375 1 0.125; ...
            1 1 0.0625;1 1 0;1 0.9375 0;1 0.875 0;1 0.8125 0;...
            1 0.75 0;1 0.6875 0;1 0.625 0;1 0.5625 0;1 0.5 0;...
            1 0.4375 0;1 0.375 0;1 0.3125 0;1 0.25 0;...
            1 0.1875 0;1 0.125 0;1 0.0625 0;1 0 0;0.9375 0 0;...
            0.875 0 0;0.8125 0 0;0.75 0 0;0.6875 0 0;0.625 0 0;...
            0.5625 0 0],...
'IntegerHandle', 'off',...
'InvertHardcopy', get(0, 'defaultfigureInvertHardcopy'),...
'MenuBar', 'none',...
'Name', 'ICE - Interactive Color Editor'....
'NumberTitle', 'off',...
'PaperPosition', get(0, 'defaultfigurePaperPosition'),...
'Position', [0.8 65.2307692307693 92.6 30.0769230769231],...
'Renderer', get(0, 'defaultfigureRenderer'),...
'RendererMode', 'manual',...
'WindowButtonDownFcn', 'ice(''ice WindowButtonDownFcn'', gcbo, [],...
                               guidata(gcbo))',...
'WindowButtonMotionFcn', 'ice(''ice_WindowButtonMotionFcn'', gcbo,...
                               [], quidata(gcbo))',...
'WindowButtonUpFcn', 'ice(''ice_WindowButtonUpFcn'', gcbo, [],...
                               quidata(qcbo))',...
'HandleVisibility', 'callback',...
'Tag', 'ice',...
'UserData', zeros(1,0));
to create the main figure window. GUI objects are then added with statements like
```

Function uicontrol ('PropertyName1', Value1, ...) creates a user interface control in the current window with the specified properties and returns a handle to it.

```
h13 = uicontrol(...
'Parent', h1,...
'Units', 'normalized',...
'Callback', 'ice(''reset_pushbutton_Callback'', gcbo, [],...
                guidata(gcbo))',...
'FontSize', 10,...
'ListboxTop', 0,...
'Position', [0.710583153347732 0.508951406649616...
             0.211663066954644 0.0767263427109974],...
'String', 'Reset',...
'Tag', 'reset pushbutton');
```

which adds the Reset pushbutton to the figure. Note that these statements specify explicitly properties that were defined originally using the Property Inspector of the GUIDE Layout Editor. Finally, we note that the figure function was introduced in Section 2.3; uicontrol creates a user interface control (i.e., GUI object) in the current figure window based on property name/value pairs (e.g., 'Tag' plus 'reset\_pushbutton') and returns a handle to it.

## **B.2.2** The Opening and Output Functions

The first two functions following the initialization block in the starting GUI M-file at the beginning of Section B.2 are called *opening* and *output functions*, respectively. They contain the code that is executed just before the GUI is made visible to the user and when the GUI returns its output to the command line or calling routine. Both functions are passed arguments hobject, eventdata, and handles. (These arguments are also inputs to the callback functions in the next two sections.) Input hobject is a graphics object handle, eventdata is reserved for future use, and handles is a structure that provides handles to interface objects and any application specific or user defined data. To implement the desired functionality of the ICE interface (see the Help text), both ice\_OpeningFcn and ice\_OutputFcn must be expanded beyond the "barebones" versions in the starting GUI M-file. The expanded code is as follows:

```
function ice OpeningFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles, varargin)
    When ICE is opened, perform basic initialization (e.g., setup
    globals, ...) before it is made 'visible.
% Set ICE globals to defaults.
handles.updown = 'none':
                                  % Mouse updown state
handles.plotbox = [0\ 0\ 1\ 1];
                                  % Plot area parameters in pixels
handles.set1 = [0\ 0;\ 1\ 1];
                                  % Curve 1 control points
handles.set2 = [0\ 0;\ 1\ 1];
                                  % Curve 2 control points
handles.set3 = [0\ 0;\ 1\ 1];
                                  % Curve 3 control points
handles.set4 = [0\ 0;\ 1\ 1];
                                  % Curve 4 control points
handles.curve = 'set1';
                                  % Structure name of selected curve
handles.cindex = 1;
                                  % Index of selected curve
                                  % Index of selected control point
handles.node = 0;
                                  % Index of node below control point
handles.below = 1;
handles.above = 2;
                                  % Index of node above control point
handles.smooth = [0; 0; 0; 0];
                                  % Curve smoothing states
handles.slope = [0; 0; 0; 0];
                                  % Curve end slope control states
handles.cdf = [0; 0; 0; 0];
                                  % Curve CDF states
handles.pdf = [0; 0; 0; 0];
                                  % Curve PDF states
handles.output = [];
                                  % Output image handle
handles.df = [];
                                  % Input PDFs and CDFs
handles.colortype = 'rgb';
                                  % Input image color space
handles.input = [];
                                  % Input image data
handles.imagemap = 1;
                                  % Image map enable
handles.barmap = 1;
                                  % Bar map enable
handles.graybar = [];
                                  % Pseudo (gray) bar image
handles.colorbar = [];
                                  % Color (hue) bar image
% Process Property Name/Property Value input argument pairs.
```

wait = 'on';

ice\_OpeningFcn

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```
if (nargin > 3)
   for i = 1:2:(nargin - 3)
      if nargin -3 == i
         break:
      end
      switch lower(varargin{i})
      case 'image'
         if ndims(varargin{i + 1}) == 3
            handles.input = varargin{i + 1};
         elseif ndims(varargin{i + 1}) == 2
            handles.input = cat(3, varargin{i + 1}, ...
                                 varargin{i + 1}, varargin{i + 1});
         end
         handles.input = double(handles.input);
         inputmax = max(handles.input(:));
         if inputmax > 255
            handles.input = handles.input / 65535;
         elseif inputmax > 1
            handles.input = handles.input / 255;
         end
      case 'space'
         handles.colortype = lower(varargin{i + 1});
         switch handles.colortype
         case 'cmv'
            list = {'CMY' 'Cyan' 'Magenta' 'Yellow'};
         case {'ntsc', 'yiq'}
            list = {'YIQ' 'Luminance' 'Hue' 'Saturation'};
            handles.colortype = 'ntsc';
         case 'ycbcr'
            list = {'YCbCr' 'Luminance' 'Blue' ...
                     'Difference' 'Red Difference'};
         case 'hsv'
            list = {'HSV' 'Hue' 'Saturation' 'Value'};
         case 'hsi'
            list = {'HSI' 'Hue' 'Saturation' 'Intensity'};
         otherwise
            list = {'RGB' 'Red' 'Green' 'Blue'};
            handles.colortype = 'rgb';
         set(handles.component popup, 'String', list);
      case 'wait'
         wait = lower(varargin{i + 1});
      end
   end
end
% Create pseudo- and full-color mapping bars (grays and hues). Store
% a color space converted 1x128x3 line of each bar for mapping.
                                      x = x';
xi = 0:1/127:1;
                 x = 0:1/6:1;
y = [1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1; \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0; \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0]';
gb = repmat(xi, [1 1 3]); cb = interplq(x, y, xi');
```

```
cb = reshape(cb, [1 128 3]);
if ~strcmp(handles.colortype, 'rgb')
   gb = eval(['rgb2' handles.colortype '(gb)']);
   cb = eval(['rgb2' handles.colortype '(cb)']);
end
gb = round(255 * gb);
                           gb = max(0, gb);
                                                  gb = min(255, gb);
cb = round(255 * cb);
                           cb = max(0, cb);
                                                  cb = min(255, cb);
handles.graybar = gb;
                           handles.colorbar = cb;
% Do color space transforms, clamp to [0, 255], compute histograms
% and cumulative distribution functions, and create output figure.
if size(handles.input, 1)
   if ~strcmp(handles.colortype, 'rgb')
      handles.input = eval(['rgb2' handles.colortype ...
                            '(handles.input)']);
   end
   handles.input = round(255 * handles.input);
   handles.input = max(0, handles.input);
   handles.input = min(255, handles.input);
   for i = 1:3
      color = handles.input(:, :, i);
      df = hist(color(:), 0:255);
      handles.df = [handles.df; df / max(df(:))];
      df = df / sum(df(:));
                              df = cumsum(df):
      handles.df = [handles.df; df];
   end
               handles.output = gcf;
   figure:
end
% Compute ICE's screen position and display image/graph.
set(0, 'Units', 'pixels');
                                ssz = get(0, 'Screensize');
set(handles.ice, 'Units', 'pixels');
uisz = get(handles.ice, 'Position');
if size(handles.input, 1)
   fsz = get(handles.output, 'Position');
   bc = (fsz(4) - uisz(4)) / 3;
   if bc > 0
      bc = bc + fsz(2);
      bc = fsz(2) + fsz(4) - uisz(4) - 10;
   end
   1c = fsz(1) + (size(handles.input, 2) / 4) + (3 * fsz(3) / 4);
   1c = min(1c, ssz(3) - uisz(3) - 10);
   set(handles.ice, 'Position', [lc bc 463 391]);
else
   bc = -round((ssz(4) - uisz(4)) / 2) - 10;
   1c = round((ssz(3) - uisz(3)) / 2) - 10;
   set(handles.ice, 'Position', [lc bc uisz(3) uisz(4)]);
end
set(handles.ice, 'Units', 'normalized');
graph(handles);
                    render(handles);
```

ice OutputFcn

end

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```
% Update handles and make ICE wait before exit if required.
guidata(hObject, handles);
if strcmpi(wait, 'on')
  uiwait(handles.ice);
end
%-----%
function varargout = ice OutputFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles)
   After ICE is closed, get the image data of the current figure
   for the output. If 'handles' exists, ICE isn't closed (there was
   no 'uiwait') so output figure handle.
if max(size(handles)) == 0
  figh = get(gcf);
  imageh = get(figh.Children);
  if max(size(imageh)) > 0
     image = get(imageh.Children);
     varargout{1} = image.CData;
  end
else
  varargout{1} = hObject;
```

Rather than examining the intricate details of these functions (see the code's comments and consult Appendix A or the index for help on specific functions), we note the following commonalities with most GUI opening and output functions:

1. The handles structure (as can be seen from its numerous references in the code) plays a central role in most GUI M-files. It serves two crucial functions. Since it provides handles for all the graphic objects in the interface, it can be used to access and modify object properties. For instance, the ice opening function uses

```
set(handles.ice, 'Units', 'pixels');
uisz = get(handles.ice, 'Position');
```

to access the size and location of the ICE GUI (in pixels). This is accomplished by setting the Units property of the ice figure, whose handle is available in handles.ice, to 'pixels' and then reading the Position property of the figure (using the get function). The get function, which returns the value of a property associated with a graphics object, is also used to obtain the computer's display area via the ssz = get(0, 'Screensize') statement near the end of the opening function. Here, 0 is the handle of the computer display (i.e., root figure) and 'Screensize' is a property containing its extent.

In addition to providing access to GUI objects, the handles structure is a powerful conduit for sharing application data. Note that it holds the default values for twenty-three global ice parameters (ranging from the mouse state in handles updown to the entire input image in handles input). They

must survive every call to ice and are added to handles at the start of ice\_OpeningFcn. For instance, the handles.set1 global is created by the statement

```
handles.set1 = [0 \ 0; \ 1 \ 1]
```

where set1 is a named field containing the control points of a color mapping function to be added to the handles structure and  $[0\ 0;\ 1\ 1]$  is its default value [curve endpoints (0,0) and (1,1)]. Before exiting a function in which handles is modified,

```
guidata(hObject, handles)
```

must be called to store variable handles as the application data of the figure with handle hObject.

2. Like many built-in graphics functions, ice\_OpeningFcn processes input arguments (except hObject, eventdata, and handles) in property name and value pairs. When there are more than three input arguments (i.e., if nargin > 3), a loop that skips through the input arguments in pairs [for i = 1:2: (nargin - 3)] is executed. For each pair of inputs, the first is used to drive the switch construct,

```
gundata
```

Function guidata (H, DATA) stores the specified data in the figure's application data. H is a handle that identifies the figure—it can be the figure itself, or any object contained in the figure.

```
switch lower(varargin{i})
```

which processes the second parameter appropriately. For case 'space', for instance, the statement

```
handles.colortype = lower(varargin{i + 1});
```

sets named field colortype to the value of the second argument of the input pair. This value is then used to setup ICE's color component popup options (i.e., the String property of object component\_popup). Later, it is used to transform the components of the input image to the desired mapping space via

```
handles.input = eval(['rgb2' ...
handles.colortype '(handles.input)']);
```

where built-in function eval(s) causes MATLAB to execute string s as an expression or statement (see Section 12.4.1 for more on function eval). If handles.input is 'hsv', for example, eval argument ['rgb2' 'hsv' '(handles.input)'] becomes the concatenated string 'rgb2hsv(handles.input)', which is executed as a standard MATLAB expression that transforms the RGB components of the input image to the HSV color space (see Section 6.2.3).

#### 3. The statement

in the starting GUI M-file is converted into the conditional statement

in the final version of ice\_OpeningFcn. In general,



uiwait(fig)

blocks execution of a MATLAB code stream until either a uiresume is executed or figure fig is destroyed (i.e., closed). [With no input arguments, uiwait is the same as uiwait (gcf) where MATLAB function gcf returns the handle of the current figure]. When ice is not expected to return a mapped version of an input image, but return immediately (i.e., before the ICE GUI is closed), an input property name/value pair of 'wait'/'off' must be included in the call. Otherwise, ICE will not return to the calling routine or command line until it is closed. That is, until the user is finished interacting with the interface (and color mapping functions). In this situation, function ice OutputFcn can not obtain the mapped image data from the handles structure, because it does not exist after the GUI is closed. As can be seen in the final version of the function, ICE extracts the image data from the CData property of the surviving mapped image output figure. If a mapped output image is not to be returned by ice, the uiwait statement in ice OpeningFcn is not executed, ice\_OutputFcn is called immediately after the opening function (long before the GUI is closed), and the handle of the mapped image output figure is returned to the calling routine or command line.

Finally, we note that several internal functions are invoked by ice\_OpeningFcn. These—and all other ice internal functions—are listed next. Note that they provide additional examples of the usefulness of the handles structure in MATLAB GUIs. For instance, the

and

statements in internal functions graph and render, respectively, are used to access the interactively defined control points of ICE's various color mapping curves. In its standard form,



returns to F the contents of named field 'field' from structure S.

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functions.

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```
function graph(handles)
    Interpolate and plot mapping functions and optional reference
    PDF(s) or CDF(s).
nodes = getfield(handles, handles.curve);
c = handles.cindex:
                        dfx = 0:1/255:1;
colors = ['k' 'r' 'g' 'b'];
% For piecewise linear interpolation, plot a map, map + PDF/CDF, or
% map + 3 PDFs/CDFs.
if ~handles.smooth(handles.cindex)
   if (~handles.pdf(c) & ~handles.cdf(c)) | ...
         (size(handles.df, 2) == 0)
      plot(nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'b-', ...
           nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'ko', ...
           'Parent', handles.curve_axes);
   elseif c > 1
      i = 2 * c - 2 - handles.pdf(c);
      plot(dfx, handles.df(i, :), [colors(c) '-'], ...
           nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'k-', ...
           nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'ko', ...
           'Parent', handles.curve_axes);
   elseif c == 1
      i = handles.cdf(c);
      plot(dfx, handles.df(i + 1, :), 'r-', ...
          dfx, handles.df(i + 3, :), 'g-', ...
           dfx, handles.df(i + 5, :), 'b-', ...
           nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'k-', ...
           nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'ko', ...
           'Parent', handles.curve_axes);
  end
% Do the same for smooth (cubic spline) interpolations.
else
  x = 0:0.01:1;
  if ~handles.slope(handles.cindex)
     v = spline(nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), x);
  else
     y = spline(nodes(:, 1), [0; nodes(:, 2); 0], x);
  end
  i = find(y > 1);
                         v(i) = 1;
  i = find(y < 0);
                         y(i) = 0;
  if (~handles.pdf(c) & ~handles.cdf(c)) | ...
         (size(handles.df, 2) == 0)
     plot(nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'ko', x, y, 'b-', ...
           'Parent', handles.curve_axes);
  elseif c > 1
      i = 2 * c - 2 - handles.pdf(c);
     plot(dfx, handles.df(i, :), [colors(c) '-'], ...
            nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'ko', x, y, 'k-', ...
```

```
'Parent', handles.curve_axes);
   elseif c == 1
      i = handles.cdf(c);
      plot(dfx, handles.df(i + 1, :), 'r-', ...
           dfx, handles.df(i + 3, :), 'g-', ...
           dfx, handles.df(i + 5, :), b-', ...
           nodes(:, 1), nodes(:, 2), 'ko', x, y, 'k-', ...
           'Parent', handles.curve axes);
  end
end
% Put legend if more than two curves are shown.
s = handles.colortype;
if strcmp(s, 'ntsc')
   s = 'yiq';
if (c == 1) & (handles.pdf(c) | handles.cdf(c))
   s1 = ['--' upper(s(1))];
   if length(s) == 3
      s2 = ['--' upper(s(2))]; s3 = ['--' upper(s(3))];
      s2 = ['--' upper(s(2)) s(3)]; s3 = ['--' upper(s(4)) s(5)];
   end
else
   s1 = ''; s2 = ''; s3 = '';
end
set(handles.red_text, 'String', s1);
set(handles.green_text, 'String', s2);
set(handles.blue text, 'String', s3);
function [inplot, x, y] = cursor(h, handles)
    Translate the mouse position to a coordinate with respect to
%
    the current plot area, check for the mouse in the area and if so
    save the location and write the coordinates below the plot.
set(h, 'Units', 'pixels');
p = get(h, 'CurrentPoint');
x = (p(1, 1) - handles.plotbox(1)) / handles.plotbox(3);
y = (p(1, 2) - handles.plotbox(2)) / handles.plotbox(4);
if x > 1.05 \mid x < -0.05 \mid y > 1.05 \mid y < -0.05
   inplot = 0;
else
   x = min(x, 1); x = max(x, 0);

y = min(y, 1); y = max(y, 0);
   nodes = getfield(handles, handles.curve);
   x = round(256 * x) / 256;
   inplot = 1;
   set(handles.input text, 'String', num2str(x, 3));
   set(handles.output text, 'String', num2str(y, 3));
```

```
end
set(h, 'Units', 'normalized');
function y = render(handles)
    Map the input image and bar components and convert them to RGB
    (if needed) and display.
set(handles.ice, 'Interruptible', 'off');
set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'watch');
ygb = handles.graybar;
                            ycb = handles.colorbar;
yi = handles.input;
                            mapon = handles.barmap;
imageon = handles.imagemap & size(handles.input, 1);
for i = 2:4
   nodes = getfield(handles, ['set' num2str(i)]);
   t = lut(nodes, handles.smooth(i), handles.slope(i));
   if imageon
      yi(:, :, i - 1) = t(yi(:, :, i - 1) + 1);
   end
   if mapon
      ygb(:, :, i - 1) = t(ygb(:, :, i - 1) + 1);
      ycb(:, :, i - 1) = t(ycb(:, :, i - 1) + 1);
   end
end
t = lut(handles.set1, handles.smooth(1), handles.slope(1));
if imageon
   yi = t(yi + 1);
end
if mapon
   ygb = t(ygb + 1); ycb = t(ycb + 1);
end
if ~strcmp(handles.colortype, 'rgb')
   if size(handles.input, 1)
      yi = yi / 255;
      yi = eval([handles.colortype '2rgb(yi)']);
      yi = uint8(255 * yi);
   end
   ygb = ygb / 255;
                        ycb = ycb / 255;
   ygb = eval([handles.colortype '2rgb(ygb)']);
   ycb = eval([handles.colortype '2rgb(ycb)']);
   ygb = uint8(255 * ygb);
                             ycb = uint8(255 * ycb);
else
   yi = uint8(yi);
                   ygb = uint8(ygb); ycb = uint8(ycb);
end
if size(handles.input, 1)
   figure(handles.output);
                               imshow(yi);
end
ygb = repmat(ygb, [32 1 1]);
                                 ycb = repmat(ycb, [32 1 1]);
axes(handles.gray axes);
                                 imshow(ygb);
axes(handles.color axes);
                                 imshow(ycb);
figure(handles.ice);
```

```
set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'arrow');
set(handles.ice, 'Interruptible', 'on');
%-----%
function t = lut(nodes, smooth, slope)
% Create a 256 element mapping function from a set of control
% points. The output values are integers in the interval [0, 255].
% Use piecewise linear or cubic spline with or without zero end
% slope interpolation.
t = 255 * nodes; i = 0:255;
if ~smooth
  t = [t; 256 \ 256]; t = interp1q(t(:, 1), t(:, 2), i');
else
  if ~slope
     t = spline(t(:, 1), t(:, 2), i);
     t = spline(t(:, 1), [0; t(:, 2); 0], i);
end
t = round(t); t = max(0, t); t = min(255, t);
function out = spreadout(in)
% Make all x values unique.
% Scan forward for non-unique x's and bump the higher indexed x--
% but don't exceed 1. Scan the entire range.
nudge = 1 / 256;
for i = 2:size(in, 1) - 1
  if in(i, 1) \le in(i - 1, 1)
     in(i, 1) = min(in(i - 1, 1) + nudge, 1);
  end
end
% Scan in reverse for non-unique x's and decrease the lower indexed
% x -- but don't go below O. Stop on the first non-unique pair.
if in(end, 1) == in(end - 1, 1)
  for i = size(in, 1):-1:2
     if in(i, 1) \le in(i - 1, 1)
        in(i - 1, 1) = max(in(i, 1) - nudge, 0);
     else
        break;
     end
  end
end
% If the first two x's are now the same, init the curve.
if in(1, 1) == in(2, 1)
  in = [0 \ 0; \ 1 \ 1];
end
out = in:
```

## **B.2.3** Figure Callback Functions

The three functions immediately following the ICE opening and closing functions in the starting GUI M-file at the beginning of Section B.2 are figure callbacks ice\_WindowButtonDownFcn, ice\_WindowButtonMotionFcn, and ice\_WindowButtonUpFcn. In the automatically generated M-file, they are function stubs—that is, MATLAB function definition statements without supporting code. Fully developed versions of the three functions, whose joint task is to process mouse events (clicks and drags of mapping function control points on ICE's curve axes object), are as follows:

```
function ice WindowButtonDownFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles)
    Start mapping function control point editing. Do move, add, or
    delete for left, middle, and right button mouse clicks ('normal',
    'extend', and 'alt' cases) over plot area.
set(handles.curve_axes, 'Units', 'pixels');
handles.plotbox = get(handles.curve_axes, 'Position');
set(handles.curve axes, 'Units', 'normalized');
[inplot, x, y] = cursor(hObject, handles);
if inplot
  nodes = getfield(handles, handles.curve);
   i = find(x \ge nodes(:, 1));
                                 below = max(i);
   above = min(below + 1, size(nodes, 1));
   if (x - nodes(below, 1)) > (nodes(above, 1) - x)
      node = above;
   else
      node = below;
   end
  deletednode = 0:
   switch get(hObject, 'SelectionType')
   case 'normal'
      if node == above
         above = min(above + 1, size(nodes, 1));
      elseif node == below
         below = max(below - 1, 1);
      if node == size(nodes, 1)
```

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```
below = above:
      elseif node == 1
         above = below;
      end
      if x > nodes(above, 1)
         x = nodes(above, 1);
      elseif x < nodes(below, 1)
         x = nodes(below, 1);
      end
      handles.node = node;
                               handles.updown = 'down';
                               handles.above = above;
      handles.below = below;
      nodes(node, :) = [x y];
   case 'extend'
      if ~length(find(nodes(:, 1) == x))
         nodes = [nodes(1:below, :); [x y]; nodes(above:end, :)];
         handles.node = above;
                                 handles.updown = 'down';
         handles.below = below;
                                  handles.above = above + 1;
      end
   case 'alt'
      if (node ~= 1) & (node ~= size(nodes, 1))
         nodes(node, :) = []; deletednode = 1;
      handles.node = 0;
      set(handles.input_text, 'String', '');
      set(handles.output text, 'String', '');
   end
   handles = setfield(handles, handles.curve, nodes);
   guidata(hObject, handles);
   graph(handles);
   if deletednode
      render(handles);
  end
end
%-----
function ice WindowButtonMotionFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles)
   Do nothing unless a mouse 'down' event has occurred. If it has,
   modify control point and make new mapping function.
if ~strcmpi(handles.updown, 'down')
   return:
end
[inplot, x, y] = cursor(hObject, handles);
if inplot
  nodes = getfield(handles, handles.curve);
  nudge = handles.smooth(handles.cindex) / 256;
  if (handles.node ~= 1) & (handles.node ~= size(nodes, 1))
      if x \ge nodes(handles.above, 1)
         x = nodes(handles.above, 1) - nudge;
      elseif x <= nodes(handles.below, 1)</pre>
         x = nodes(handles.below, 1) + nudge;
```

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Functions S = setfield(S, 'field', V) sets the contents of the specified field to value V. The changed structure is returned.

end

```
else
      if x > nodes(handles.above, 1)
         x = nodes(handles.above, 1);
      elseif x < nodes(handles.below, 1)</pre>
         x = nodes(handles.below, 1);
      end
   end
  nodes(handles.node, :) = [x y];
  handles = setfield(handles, handles.curve, nodes);
  guidata(hObject, handles);
  graph(handles);
end
function ice WindowButtonUpFcn(hObject, eventdata, handles)
    Terminate ongoing control point move or add operation. Clear
    coordinate text below plot and update display.
update = strcmpi(handles.updown, 'down');
handles.updown = 'up';
                           handles.node = 0;
guidata(hObject, handles);
if update
  set(handles.input text, 'String', '');
  set(handles.output text, 'String', '');
  render(handles);
end
```

In general, figure callbacks are launched in response to interactions with a figure object or window—not an active uicontrol object. More specifically,

- The WindowButtonDownFcn is executed when a user clicks a mouse button with the cursor in a figure but not over an enabled uicontrol (e.g., a pushbutton or popup menu).
- The WindowButtonMotionFcn is executed when a user moves a depressed mouse button within a figure window.
- The WindowButtonUpFcn is executed when a user releases a mouse button, after having pressed the mouse button within a figure but not over an enabled uicontrol.

The purpose and behavior of ice's figure callbacks are documented (via comments) in the code. We make the following general observations about the final implementations:

1. Because the ice\_WindowButtonDownFcn is called on all mouse button clicks in the ice figure (except over an active graphic object), the first job of the callback function is to see if the cursor is within ice's plot area (i.e., the extent of the curve\_axes object). If the cursor is outside this area, the mouse should be ignored. The test for this is performed by internal function cursor, whose listing was provided in the previous section. In cursor, the statement

```
p = get(h, 'CurrentPoint');
```

returns the current cursor coordinates. Variable h is passed from ice\_WindowButtonDownFcn and originates as input argument hObject. In all figure callbacks, hObject is the handle of the figure requesting service. Property 'CurrentPoint' contains the position of the cursor relative to the figure as a two-element row vector [x y].

- 2. Since ice is designed to work with two- and three-button mice, ice\_WindowButtonDownFcn must determine which mouse button causes each callback. As can be seen in the code, this is done with a switch construct using the figure's 'SelectionType' property. Cases 'normal', 'extent', and 'alt' correspond to the left, middle, and right button clicks on three-button mice (or the left, shift-left, and control-left clicks of two-button mice), respectively, and are used to trigger the add control point, move control point, and delete control point operations.
- 3. The displayed ICE mapping function is updated (via internal function graph) each time a control point is modified, but the output figure, whose handle is stored in handles.output, is updated on mouse button releases only. This is because the computation of the output image, which is performed by internal function render, can be time-consuming. It involves mapping separately the input image's three color components, remapping each by the "all-component" curve, and converting the mapped components to the RGB color space for display. Note that without adequate precautions, the mapping function's control points could be modified inadvertently during this lengthy output mapping process.

To prevent this, ice controls the interruptibility of its various callbacks. All MATLAB graphics objects have an Interruptible property that determines whether their callbacks can be interrupted. The default value of every object's 'Interruptible' property is 'on', which means that object callbacks can be interrupted. If switched to 'off', callbacks that occur during the execution of the *now* noninterruptible callback are either ignored (i.e., cancelled) or placed in an *event queue* for later processing. The disposition of the interrupting callback is determined by the 'BusyAction' property of the object being interrupted. If 'BusyAction' is 'cancel', the callback is discarded; if 'queue', the callback is processed after the noninterruptible callback finishes.

The ice\_WindowButtonUpFcn function uses the mechanism just described to suspend temporarily (i.e., during output image computations) the user's ability to manipulate mapping function control points. The sequence

in internal function render sets the ice figure window's 'Interruptible' property to 'off' during the mapping of the output image and pseudo- and full-color bars. This prevents users from modifying mapping function control

points while a mapping is being performed. Note also that the figure's 'Pointer' property is set to 'watch' to indicate visually that ice is busy and reset to 'arrow' when the output computation is completed.

### **B.2.4** Object Callback Functions

The final nine lines of the starting GUI M-file at the beginning of Section B.2 are object callback function stubs. Like the automatically generated figure callbacks of the previous section, they are initially void of code. Fully developed versions of the functions follow. Note that each function processes user interaction with a different ice uicontrol object (pushbutton, etc.) and is named by concatenating its Tag property with string '\_Callback'. For example, the callback function responsible for handling the selection of the displayed mapping function is named the component\_popup\_Callback. It is called when the user activates (i.e., clicks on) the popup selector. Note also that input argument hObject is the handle of the popup graphics object—not the handle of the ice figure (as in the figure callbacks of the previous section). ICE's object callbacks involve minimal code and are self-documenting.

```
ice
function component_popup_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
                                                                    Object Callbacks
    Accept color component selection, update component specific
    parameters on GUI, and draw the selected mapping function.
c = get(hObject, 'Value');
handles.cindex = c;
handles.curve = strcat('set', num2str(c));
guidata(hObject, handles);
set(handles.smooth_checkbox, 'Value', handles.smooth(c));
set(handles.slope_checkbox, 'Value', handles.slope(c));
set(handles.pdf_checkbox, 'Value', handles.pdf(c));
set(handles.cdf_checkbox, 'Value', handles.cdf(c));
graph(handles);
%-----%
function smooth_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
    Accept smoothing parameter for currently selected color
%
    component and redraw mapping function.
if get(hObject, 'Value')
   handles.smooth(handles.cindex) = 1;
   nodes = getfield(handles, handles.curve);
   nodes = spreadout(nodes);
   handles = setfield(handles, handles.curve, nodes);
else
   handles.smooth(handles.cindex) = 0;
guidata(hObject, handles);
set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'watch');
graph(handles);
                     render(handles);
set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'arrow');
```

```
function reset pushbutton Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
    Init all display parameters for currently selected color
    component, make map 1:1, and redraw it.
handles = setfield(handles, handles.curve, [0 0; 1 1]);
c = handles.cindex;
                        set(handles.smooth_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
handles.smooth(c) = 0;
handles.slope(c) = 0; set(handles.slope_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
handles.pdf(c) = 0;
                        set(handles.pdf_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
                      set(handles.cdf_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
handles.cdf(c) = 0;
guidata(hObject, handles);
set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'watch');
graph(handles);
                   render(handles);
set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'arrow');
function slope_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
    Accept slope clamp for currently selected color component and
    draw function if smoothing is on.
if get(hObject, 'Value')
   handles.slope(handles.cindex) = 1;
else
   handles.slope(handles.cindex) = 0;
end
guidata(hObject, handles);
if handles.smooth(handles.cindex)
   set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'watch');
   graph(handles); render(handles);
   set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'arrow');
end
%------%
function resetall pushbutton_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
    Init display parameters for color components, make all maps 1:1,
   and redraw display.
for c = 1:4
  handles.smooth(c) = 0; handles.slope(c) = 0; handles.cdf(c) = 0;
                             handles.cdf(c) = 0;
   handles = setfield(handles, ['set' num2str(c)], [0 0; 1 1]);
end
set(handles.smooth_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
set(handles.slope_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
set(handles.pdf_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
set(handles.cdf_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
guidata(hObject, handles);
set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'watch');
graph(handles);
                   render(handles);
set(handles.ice, 'Pointer', 'arrow');
```

```
function pdf_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
   Accept PDF (probability density function or histogram) display
%
   parameter for currently selected color component and redraw
   mapping function if smoothing is on. If set, clear CDF display.
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if get(hObject, 'Value')
  handles.pdf(handles.cindex) = 1;
  set(handles.cdf checkbox, 'Value', 0);
  handles.cdf(handles.cindex) = 0;
  handles.pdf(handles.cindex) = 0;
end
guidata(hObject, handles); graph(handles);
%-----%
function cdf checkbox Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
   Accept CDF (cumulative distribution function) display parameter
%
   for selected color component and redraw mapping function if
%
   smoothing is on. If set, clear CDF display.
if get(hObject, 'Value')
  handles.cdf(handles.cindex) = 1;
  set(handles.pdf_checkbox, 'Value', 0);
  handles.pdf(handles.cindex) '= 0;
  handles.cdf(handles.cindex) = 0;
guidata(hObject, handles); graph(handles);
function mapbar checkbox Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
   Accept changes to bar map enable state and redraw bars.
handles.barmap = get(hObject, 'Value');
guidata(hObject, handles); render(handles);
%-----%
function mapimage_checkbox_Callback(hObject, eventdata, handles)
   Accept changes to the image map state and redraw image.
handles.imagemap = get(hObject, 'Value');
guidata(hObject, handles); render(handles);
```