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## Data Article

## Code and data on the processing of the pulsed-field gel electrophoresis images: A matlab script

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## ABSTRACT

Here a matlab script was presented for lane tracking and band detection on the pulsed field gel electrophoresis (PFGE) images. It can also be used as a software tool for automatic analysis of PFGE images. The data consist of several MATLAB codes which collectively have the task of lane tracking, band detecting and pattern recognition on the PFGE images. The lane tracking stage is semi-automatic and the band detection stage is fully automatic. Finally, the pattern of lanes that includes number of, location, width and light intensity level of bands was obtained.

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## 1. Data

The data consist of several MATLAB codes, which collectively have the task of lane tracking, band detecting and pattern recognition on the pulsed-field gel electrophoresis images. The PFGE is a

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Specifications Table

Subject	Biomedical Engineering
Specific subject area	image processing in microbiology and biotechnology
Type of data	MATLAB code, image, video
How data were acquired	All source codes written in Matlab software.
Data format	MATLAB code, JPEG, Mp4
Parameters for data collection	All the codes were implemented in MATLAB-R2009a on a system with Intel Core - i5 2430M, quad-core processor overclocked at 3.2 GHz with 8GB of RAM clocked at 1600 MHz. A trial version of GelCompar II version 6.6.11 was used to evaluate and optimize the codes.
Description of data collection	The images were captured using PFGE BIORAD at the Microbiology Laboratory of Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences. The images were provided by two types of bacteria, including <i>Acinetobacter</i> -AF, <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> .
Data source location	Institution: Department of Biomedical Engineering in Kermanshah University of Medical Science City/Town/Region: Kermanshah Country: Iran Latitude and longitude: 34°23'27.9"N 47°06'07.7"E
Data accessibility	- with the article - The dataset is freely available at [1] for any academic, educational, and research purposes.
Related research article	Repository name: Mendeley Data Data identification number: <a href="https://doi.org/10.17632/mcnfncf25t.1">https://doi.org/10.17632/mcnfncf25t.1</a> Direct URL to data: <a href="https://data.mendeley.com/datasets/mcnfncf25t/1">https://data.mendeley.com/datasets/mcnfncf25t/1</a> Author's name: Mohammad Rezaei, Mahmood Amiri, Parviz Mohajeri, Mansour Rezaei Title: A new algorithm for lane detection and tracking on pulsed field gel electrophoresis images Journal: Chemometrics and Intelligent Laboratory Systems DOI: <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.chemolab.2016.05.018">10.1016/j.chemolab.2016.05.018</a>

### Value of the Data

- The provided codes can be used to pulsed-field gel electrophoresis image analysis.
- The Matlab script will allow microbiologist to molecular subtyping.
- This approach can be used to automatic lane tracking, band detection and pattern recognition on PFGE images.

laboratory technique used by researchers and scientists to produce a DNA fingerprint for a bacterial isolate as a group of the same type of bacteria [2–5]. The images were provided by two types of bacteria, including *Acinetobacter* [6], *Staphylococcus aureus* [7] which were attached with the article. All the codes and data needed for this purpose available in the Mendeley data source [1]. In addition, there is a video showing the performance of the data and Matlab script. The flowchart of implemented algorithm as Matlab script was shown in Fig. 1.

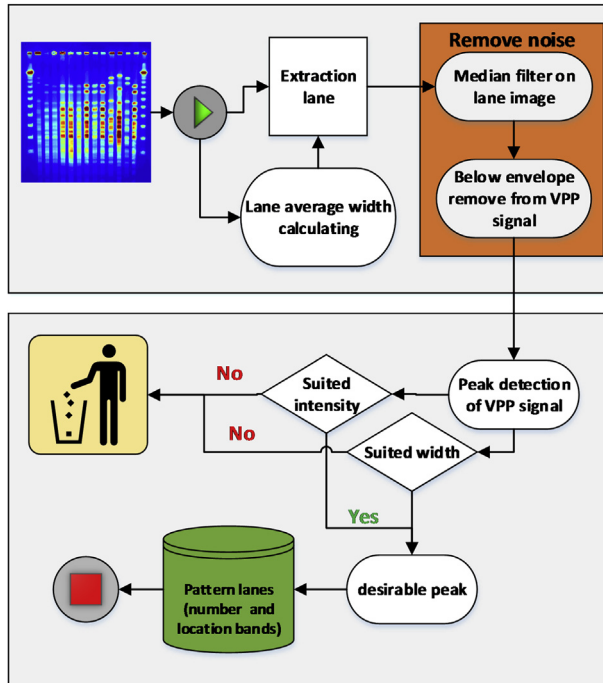
## 2. Experimental design, materials, and methods

The material used in this dataset includes images and codes. The images were collected using PFGE BIORAD at the Microbiology Laboratory of Kermanshah University of Medical Sciences in “tiff” format. To analyse the images, MATLAB-R2009a [8] on a system with Intel Core - i5 2430M, quad-core processor overclocked at 3.2 GHz with 8GB of RAM clocked at 1600 MHz was used. To evaluate and optimize the codes, a trial version of GelCompar II software was also used.

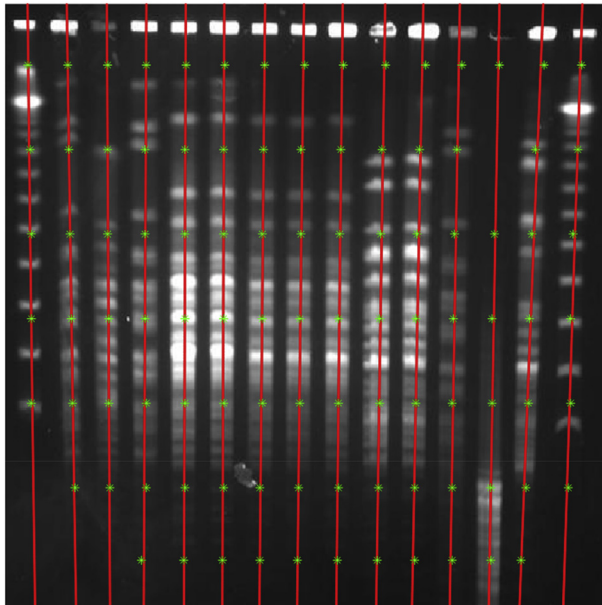
### 2.1. Algorithm for the lane tracking

A program, “lane\_tracking.m”, is responsible for lane tracking. First, image was converted to gray-scale from RGB format. The desired area of the image including lanes was cropped then was resized to 500 × 500 pixels. Next, image segmented to sub-images to calculate vertical projection profile (VPP).





**Fig. 1.** The flowchart of the proposed algorithm. It composed of three phases:1- Lane detection 2- Noise reduction and band extraction 3- Pattern recognition.



**Fig. 2.** A PFGE image with lanes which tracked using the matlab script "lane\_tracking.m": The red lines demonstrate lanes and the green stars are center of the lanes.

