Pebbles and PebbleJuggler Release 2.0.1

Some **new 3D solid shapes** are now available:

- the circular cylinder lying on its side, as opposed to the upright cylinder which rests on its base;
- the **rod**, i. e., a circular cylinder lying on its side with both bases capped by an hemisphere; it should be useful to people studying semiconductor nanocrystals. (Do not use this shape to fit spherical NPs: you will not get anything useful)
- prism and pyramid with a rhombus (lozenge) as a base

The list containing the data describing each fitted nanoparticles model can now be **exported** in a comma-separated (CSV) ASCII file using this button . ASCII exporting allows one to analyze the morphological best-fit parameters with her/his preferred software. Just to be basic, such CSV file are easily imported in spreadsheet applications. As a consequence, improvements in PebbleJuggler are now rather low in my ToDo list. Recall that if you have MATLAB on your computer you can import lists as MAT-files: they will appear as arrays of structures in the MATLAB workspace.

The **default value of the p_cb_LoadImage_REMOVE_HOT_SPOTS parameter is now zero** meaning that the removal of hot spots from the displayed image is turned off. This improves image load time but displayed image might suffer from low (sometimes *very* low) contrast. If so, give a try to hot spot removal by setting p_cb_LoadImage_REMOVE_HOT_SPOTS to a positive integer value (say 256 for a 2k x 2k image). Press the button with the wrench icon in Pebbles to change the value of the p_cb_LoadImage_REMOVE_HOT_SPOTS parameter.

BTW, hot spot removal affects the displayed image only, fitting is performed on the original image.

Other improvements (e.g. regarding redundant NP deletion) are transparent to the user.

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