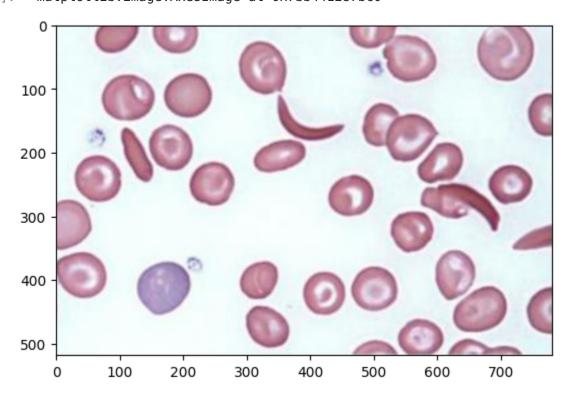
```
In [1]: import cv2
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
```

Read Image

```
In [2]: img = cv2.imread('images/DIP_1.png')
img = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_BGR2RGB)
In [3]: plt.imshow(img)
```

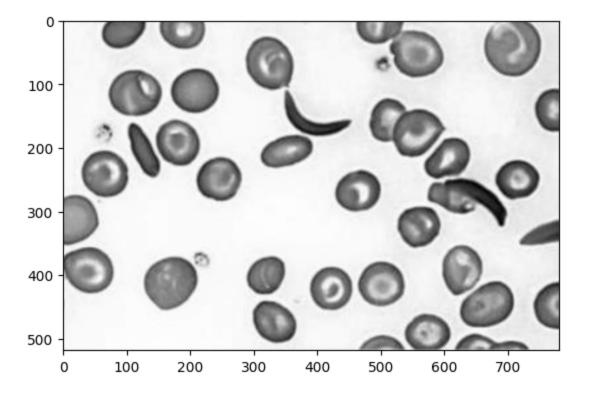
Out[3]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7bb441287bc0>



Convert to Grayscale

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In [4]: img_gray = cv2.cvtColor(img, cv2.COLOR_RGB2GRAY)
In [5]: plt.imshow(img_gray, cmap='gray')
```

Out[5]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7bb44113d550>

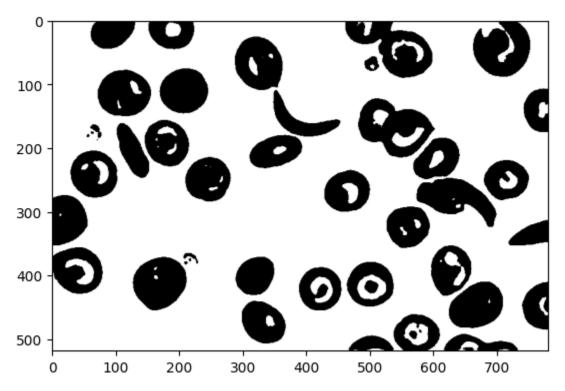


Convert to Binary

In [6]: # Using Otsu's method to find the optimal threshold
img_binary = cv2.threshold(img_gray, 0, 255, cv2.THRESH_BINARY + cv2.THRESH_

In [7]: plt.imshow(img_binary, cmap='gray')

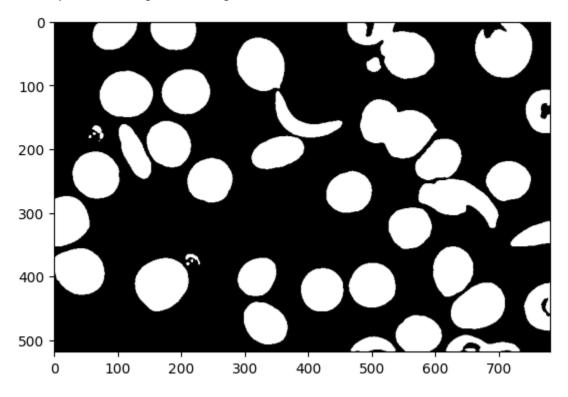
Out[7]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7bb440fc9040>



Fill Holes

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In [9]: plt.imshow(img_fill, cmap='gray')
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Clear Borders

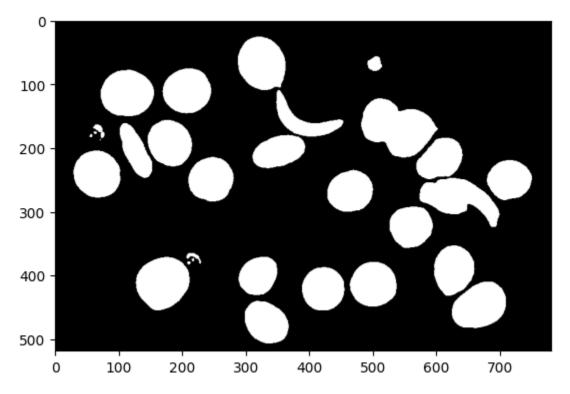
```
In [10]: # Make a border around the image to avoid filling the outermost contour
pad = cv2.copyMakeBorder(img_fill, 1, 1, 1, 1, cv2.BORDER_CONSTANT, value=25
h, w = pad.shape

# Flood fill from the top-left corner (0, 0) to fill the outermost contour
mask = np.zeros((h + 2, w + 2), dtype=np.uint8)
img_no_border = cv2.floodFill(pad, mask, (0, 0), 0, (5), (0), flags=8)[1]
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# Convert back to the original size
img_no_border = img_no_border[1:h - 1, 1:w - 1]
```

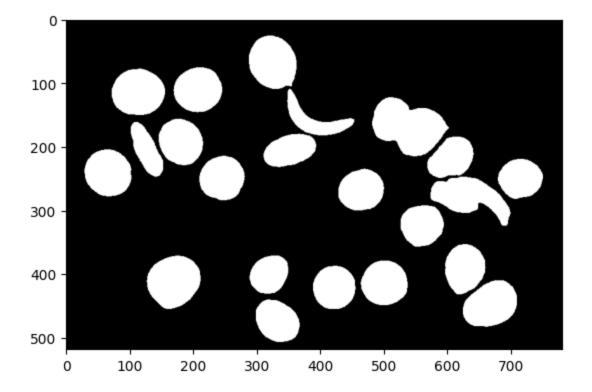
```
In [11]: plt.imshow(img_no_border, cmap='gray')
```

Out[11]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7bb44051e840>



Remove Small Objects

Out[13]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7bb4403a1c70>

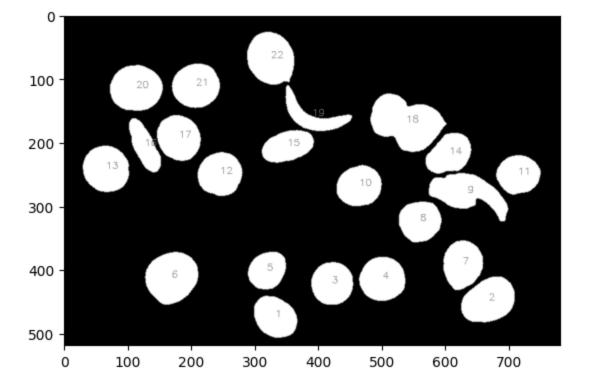


Count Objects

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In [14]: # Finding contours again to count the objects
    contours, _ = cv2.findContours(img_no_small_objects, cv2.RETR_EXTERNAL, cv2.

# Drawing contours and counting them
    img_counted = img_no_small_objects.copy()
    for i, contour in enumerate(contours):
        cv2.drawContours(img_counted, [contour], -1, 128, 1)
        M = cv2.moments(contour)
        if M["m00"] != 0:
            cX = int(M["m10"] / M["m00"])
            cY = int(M["m01"] / M["m00"])
            cv2.putText(img_counted, str(i + 1), (cX, cY), cv2.FONT_HERSHEY_SIMP
In [15]: plt.imshow(img_counted, cmap='gray')
```

Out[15]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7bb4403c5670>



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