

Tutorial 5

Morphological Image Processing for Binary Images

COMP 4421: Image Processing

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Outline

- Dilation and Erosion
- Opening and Closing

Overview

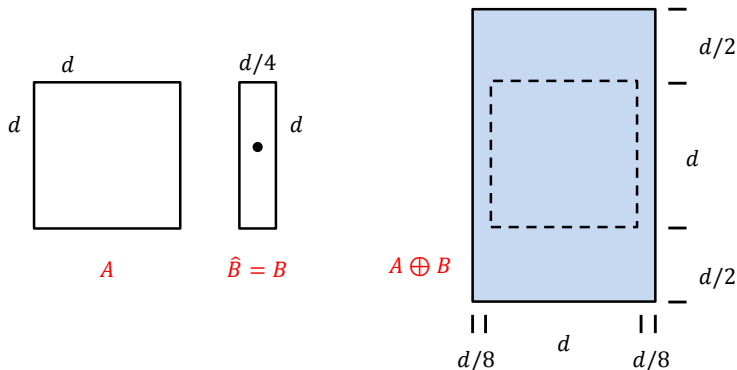
For binary image A , after specifying a structuring element B :

- **Dilation**: grows or thickens the object
- **Erosion**: shrinks or thins object
- **Opening of A by B** :
is erosion of A by B , followed by dilation of the result by B
- **Closing of A by B** :
is dilation followed by erosion (opposite to opening)

Dilation

The dilation of A by B is defined as

$$A \oplus B = \{z | (\hat{B})_z \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$$



Dilation

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Dilation

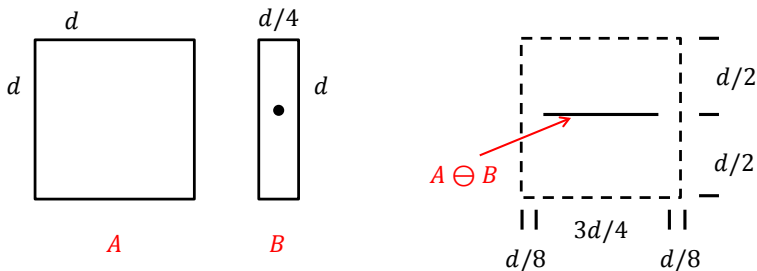
Matlab Code

```
A = imread('broken-text.bmp');  
B = [0 1 0; 1 1 1; 0 1 0];  
A2 = imdilate(A,B);  
figure,subplot(1,2,1),imshow(A);  
subplot(1,2,2),imshow(A2);
```

Erosion

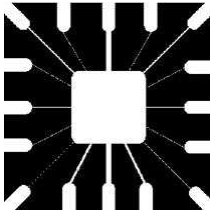
The erosion of A by B is defined as

$$A \ominus B = \{z | (B)_z \subseteq A\}$$

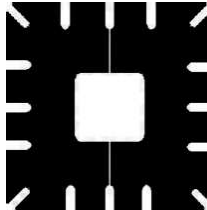


Erosion

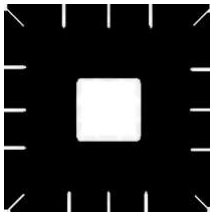
Original Image



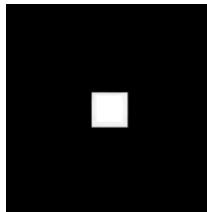
Erosion 1



Erosion 2



Erosion 3



Dilation

Matlab Code

```
A = imread('mask.jpg');  
figure,subplot(2,2,1);imshow(A);title('Original Image');  
se = strel('disk',3);  
A2 = imerode(A, se);  
subplot(2,2,2);imshow(A2);title('Erosion 1');  
se = strel('disk',6);  
A3 = imerode(A, se);  
subplot(2,2,3);imshow(A3);title('Erosion 2');  
se = strel('disk',20);  
A4 = imerode(A, se);  
subplot(2,2,4);imshow(A4);title('Erosion 3');
```

Opening and Closing

Original Image



Opening Image



Closing Image



Closing of the former Opening Image



Dilation

Matlab Code

```
f = imread('shapes.bmp');  
figure;subplot(2,2,1),imshow(f);title('Original Image');  
se = strel('square', 15);  
fo = imopen(f, se);  
subplot(2,2,2),imshow(fo);title('Opening Image');  
fc = imclose(f, se);  
subplot(2,2,3),imshow(fc);title('Closing Image');  
foc = imclose(fo,se);  
subplot(2,2,4),imshow(foc);title('Closing of the former Opening  
Image');
```

Opening and Closing

Original Image



Opening Image



opening followed by closing



Dilation

Matlab Code

```
f = imread('noisy-fingerprint.bmp');  
figure,subplot(1,3,1),imshow(f);title('Original Image');  
se = strel('square', 3);  
fo = imopen(f,se);  
subplot(1,3,2),imshow(fo);title('Opening Image');  
foc = imclose(fo,se);  
subplot(1,3,3),imshow(foc);title('opening followed by closing');
```

Thank you!