

Digital Image Processing

Chapter 4

Morphological Image Processing A

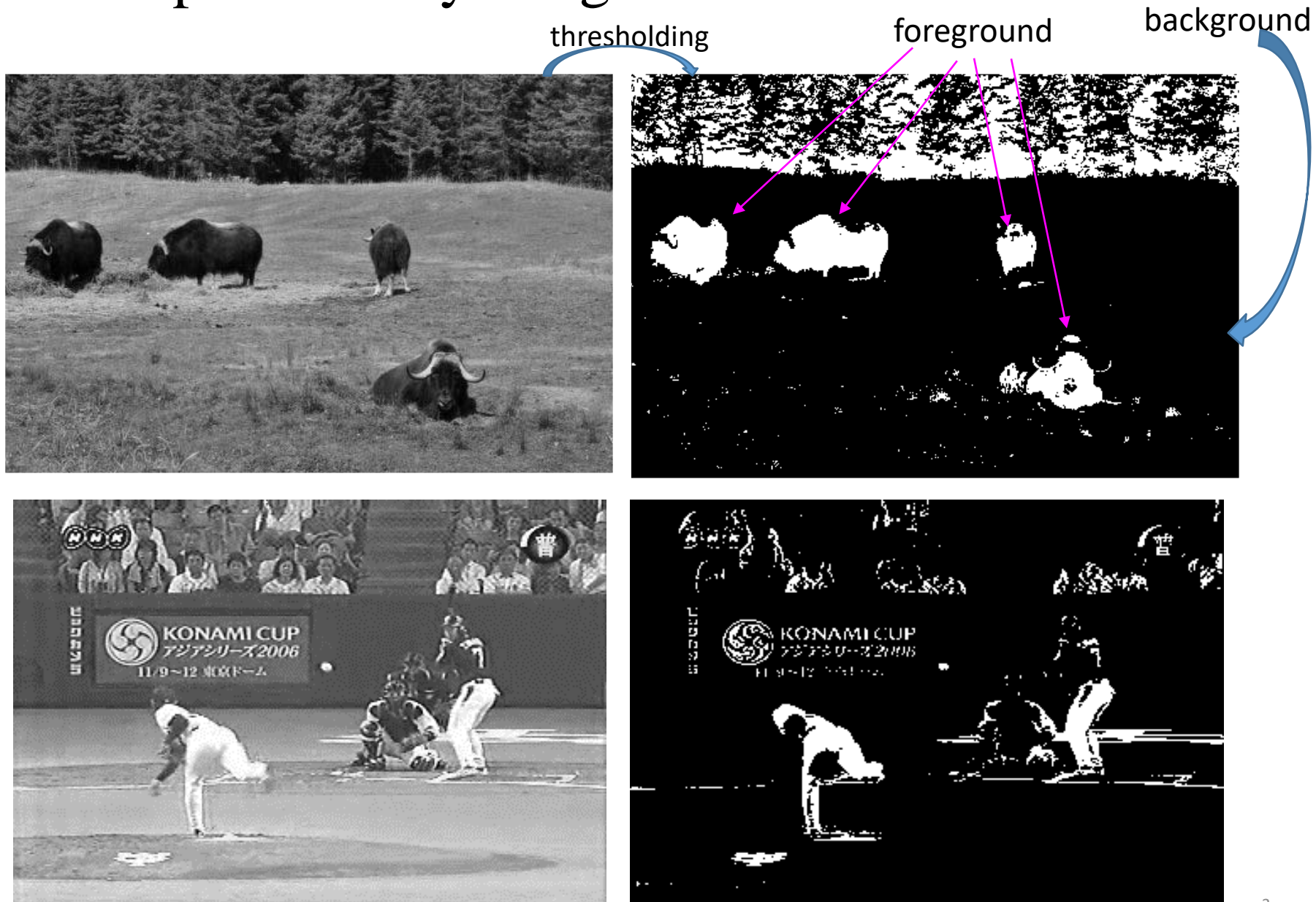
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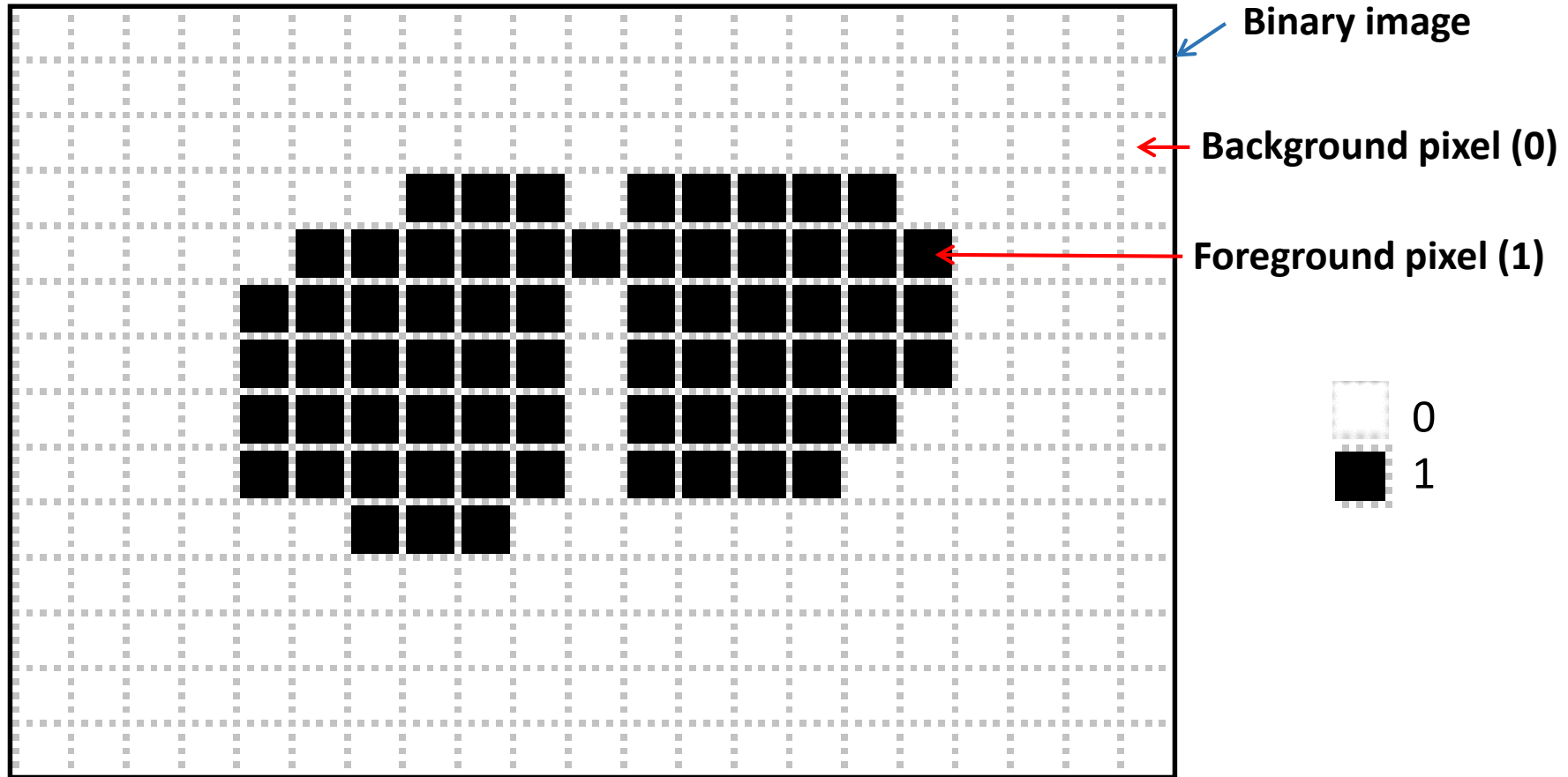
Morphological Image Processing

- Erosion(侵蝕) and Dilation(膨脹)
- Opening(斷開) and Closing(閉合)
- Boundary Extraction
- Hole Filling
- Hit-or-Miss Transformation
- Connected Component Analysis/ Labeling

Example – binary image



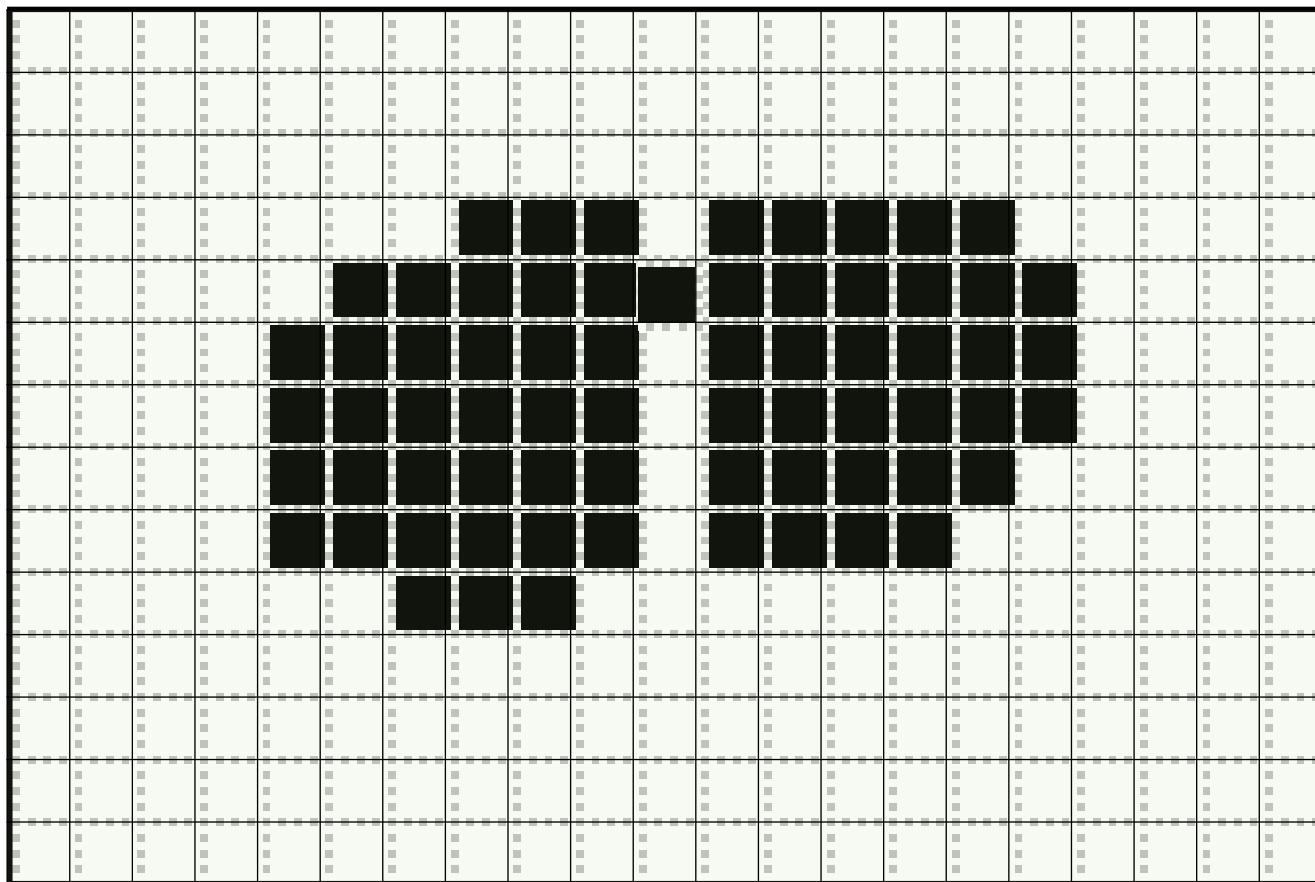
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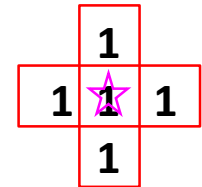
Morphological **Dilation**: take the **maximum** under the **kernel**

Morphological **Erosion**: take the **minimum** under the **kernel**



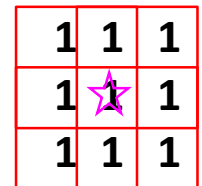
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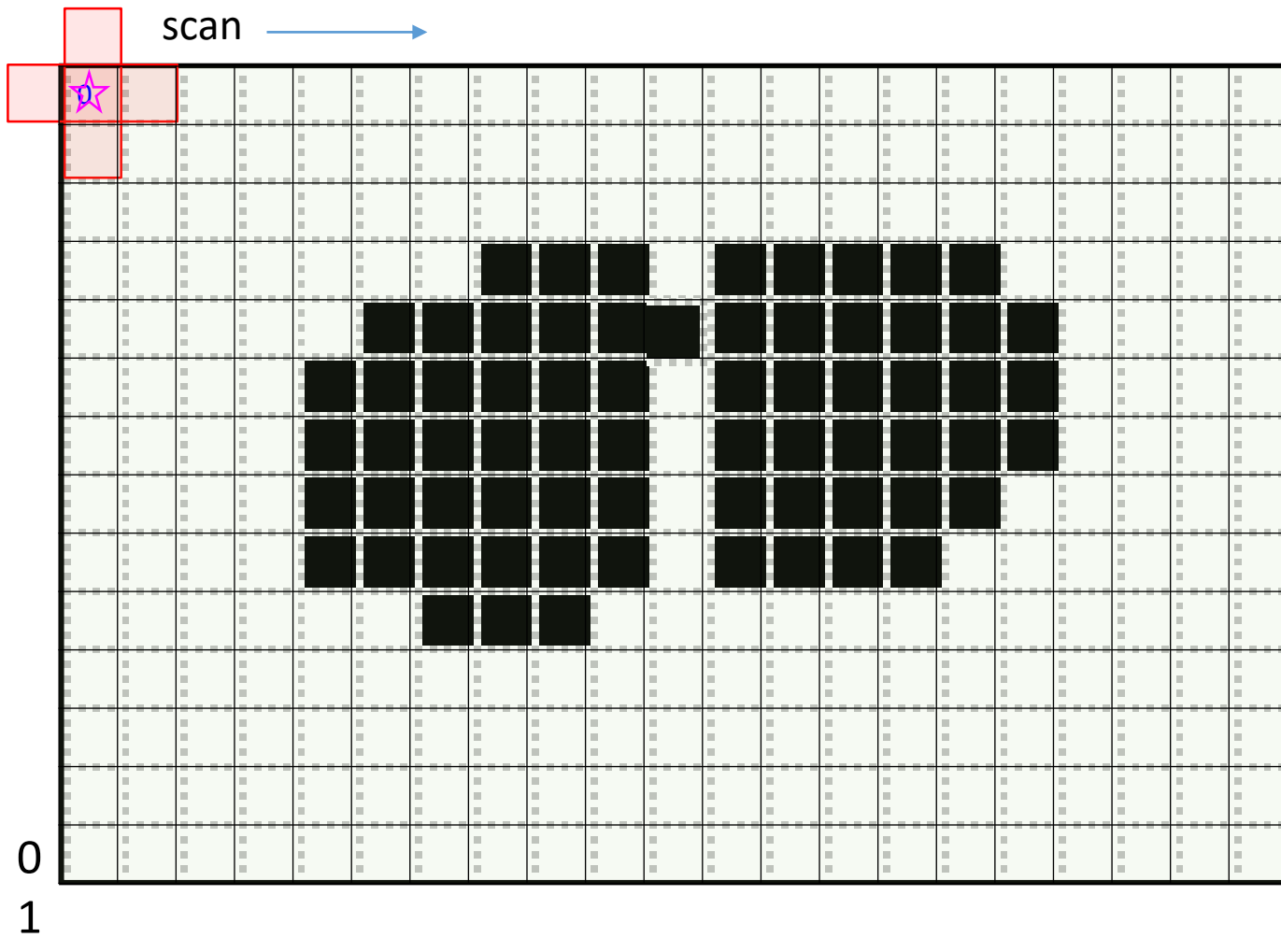
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Kernel, Mask,
Structuring Element

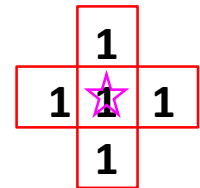
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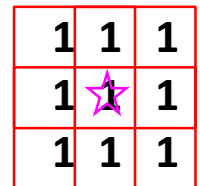
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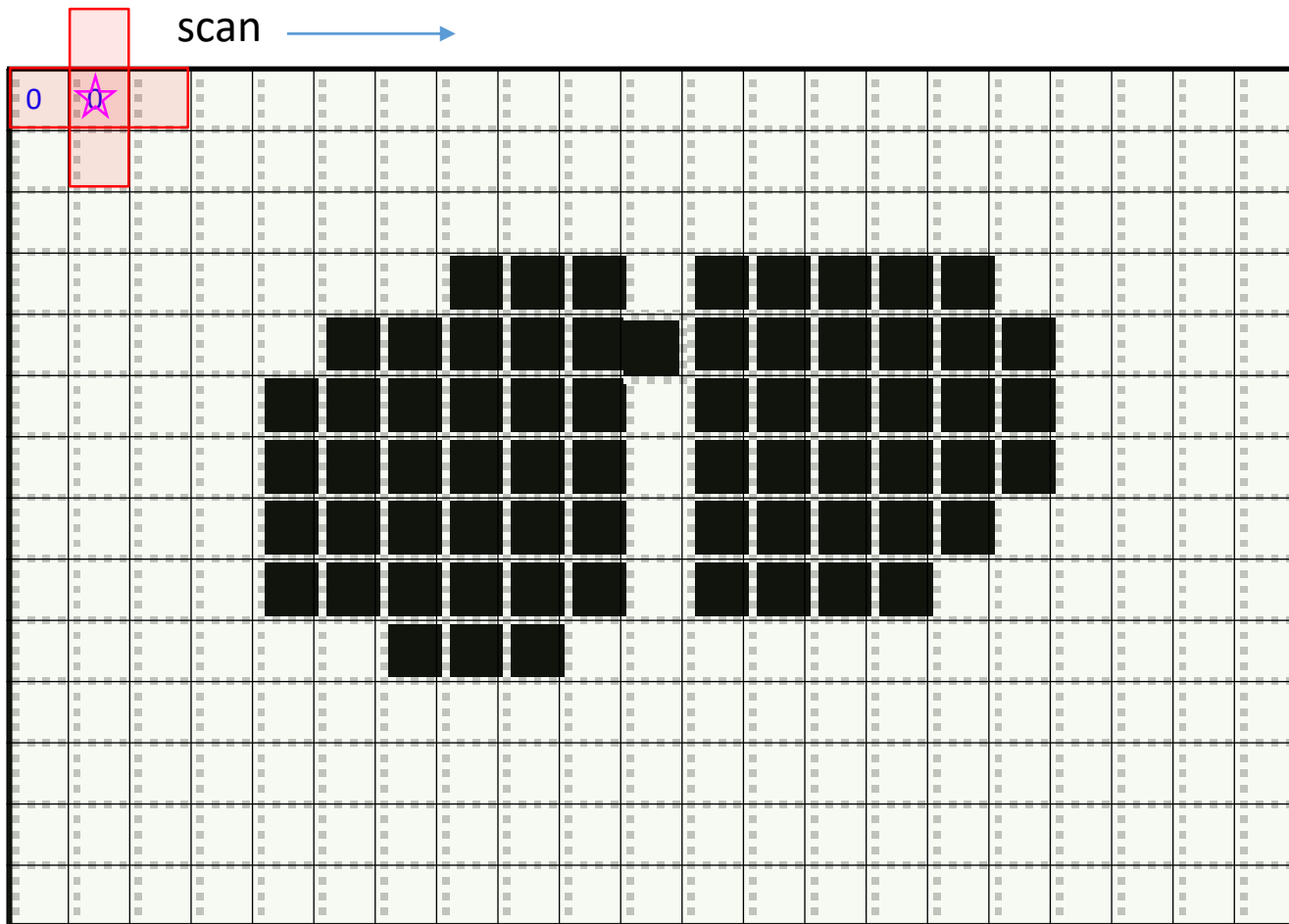
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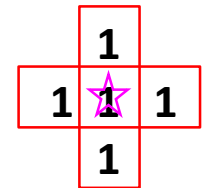
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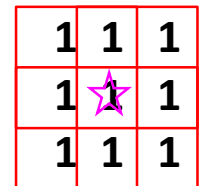
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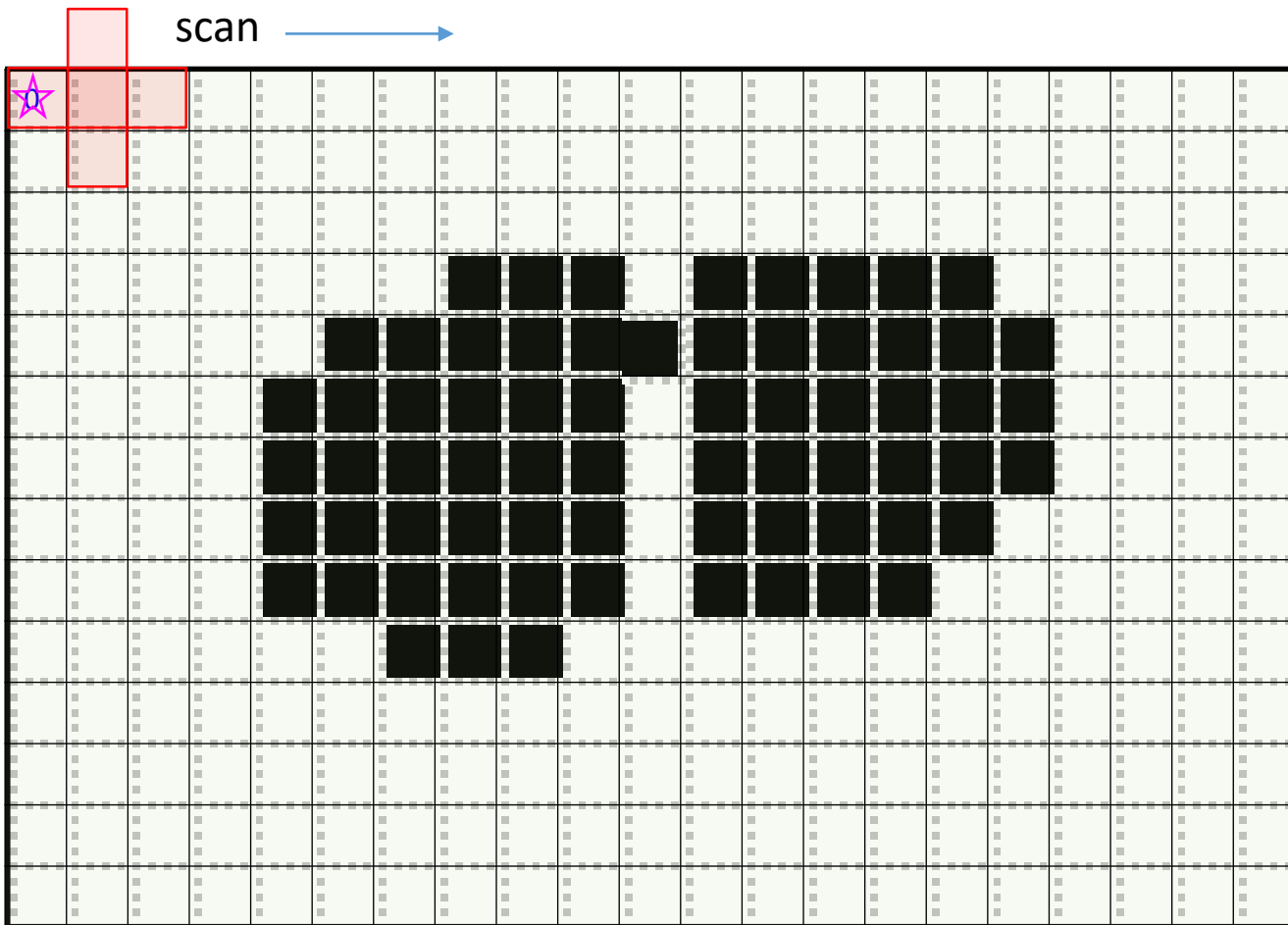
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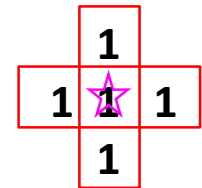
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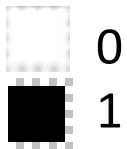
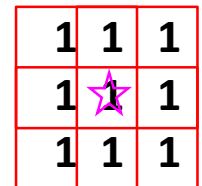
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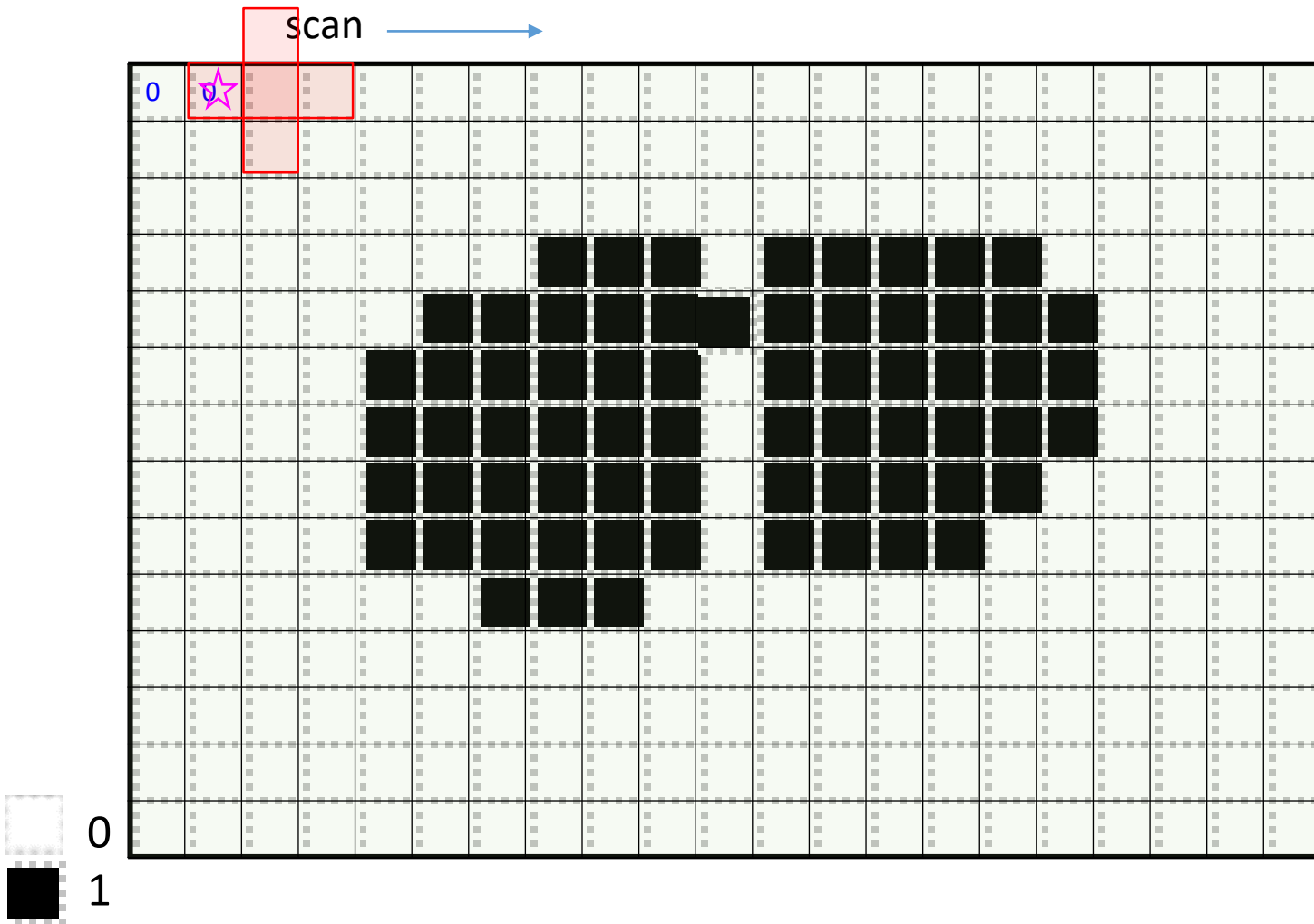
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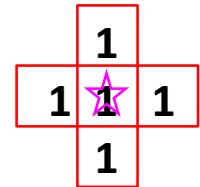
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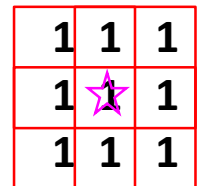
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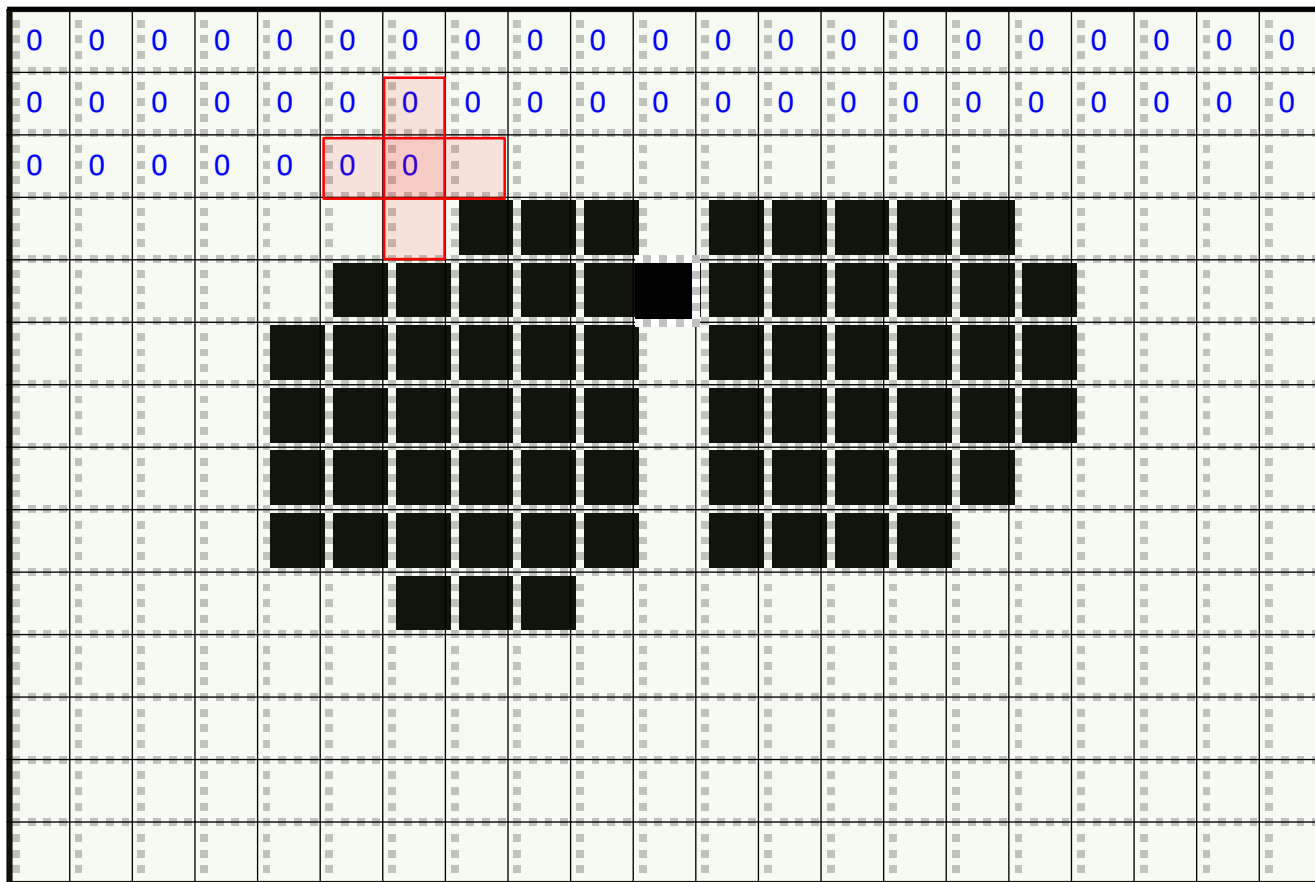
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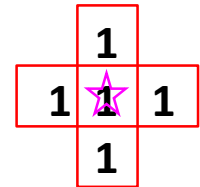
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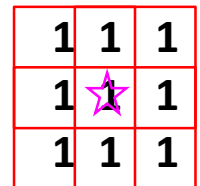
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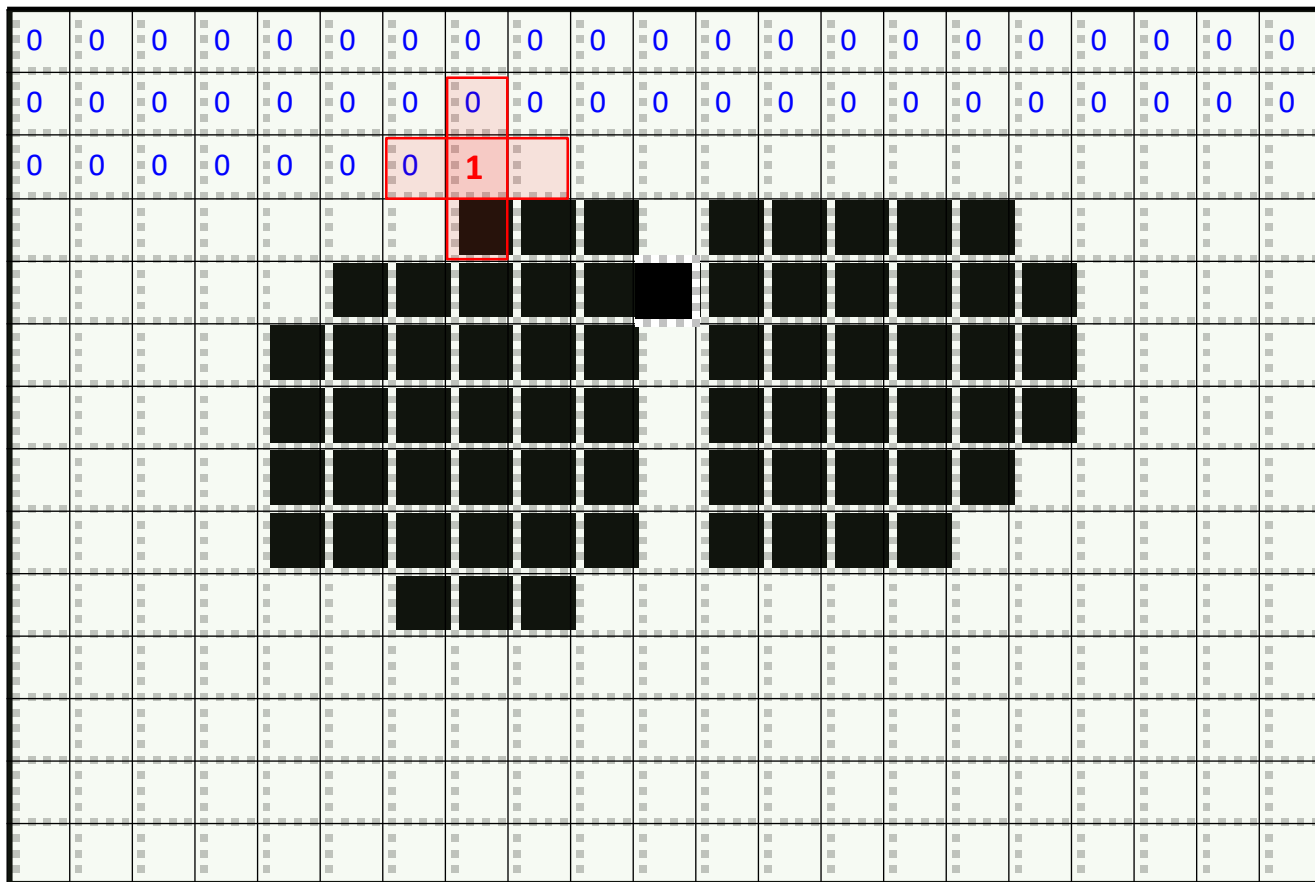
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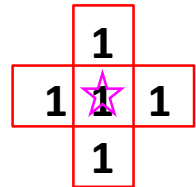
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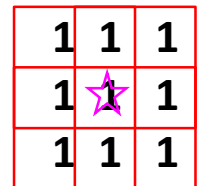
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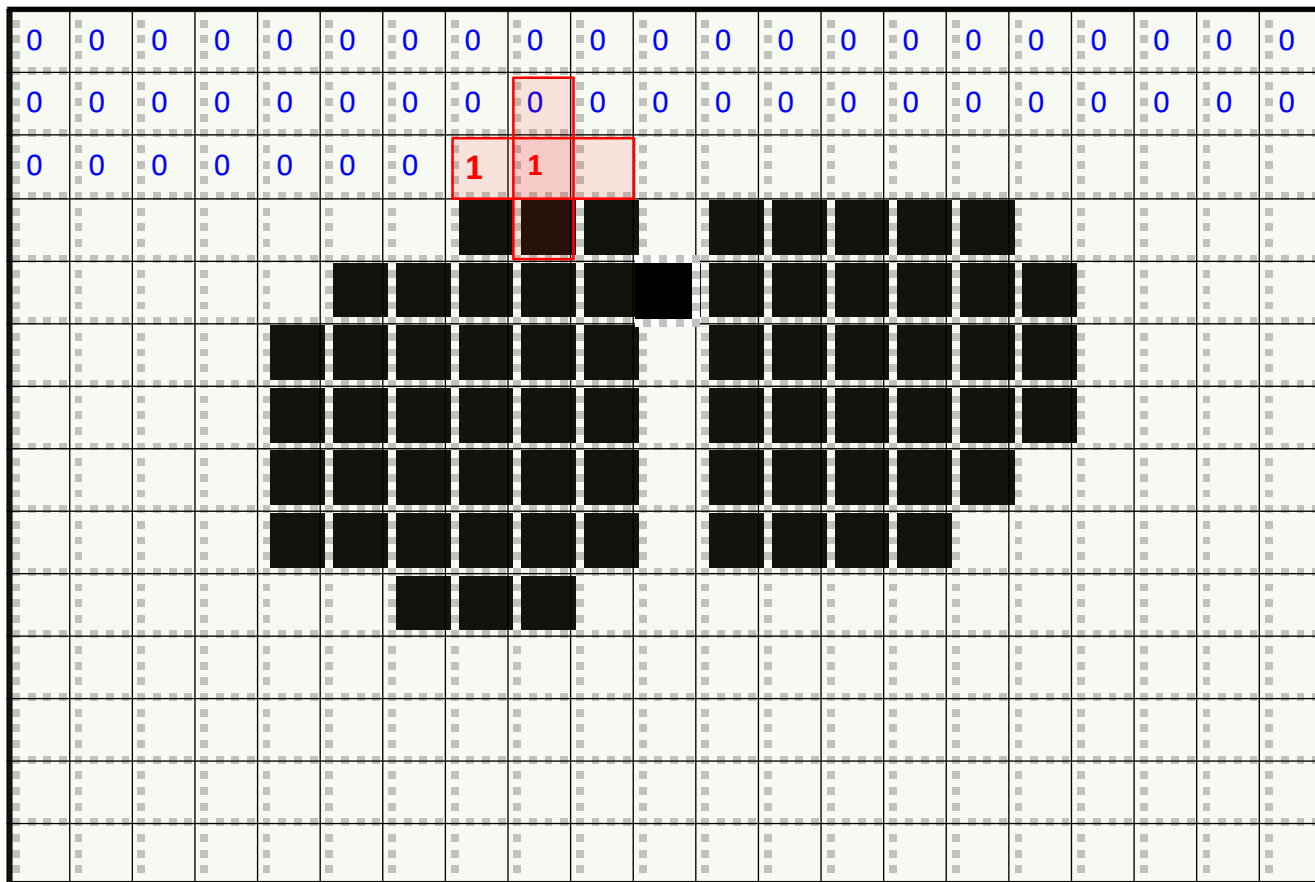
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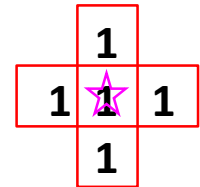
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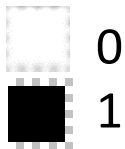
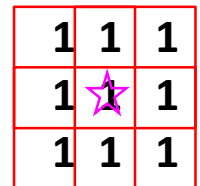
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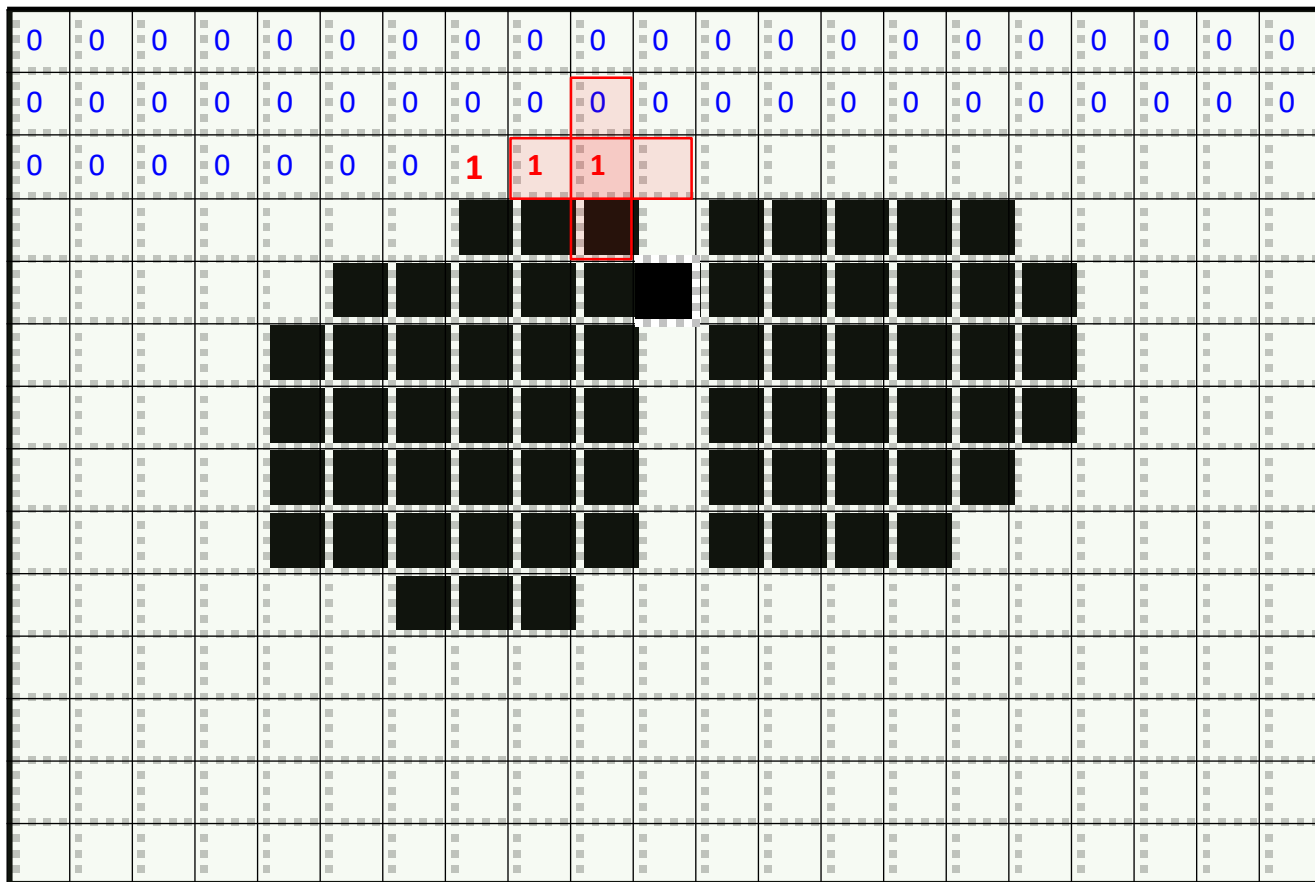
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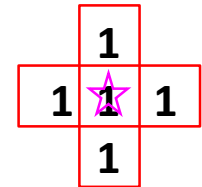
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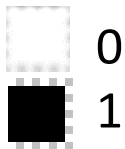
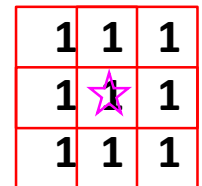
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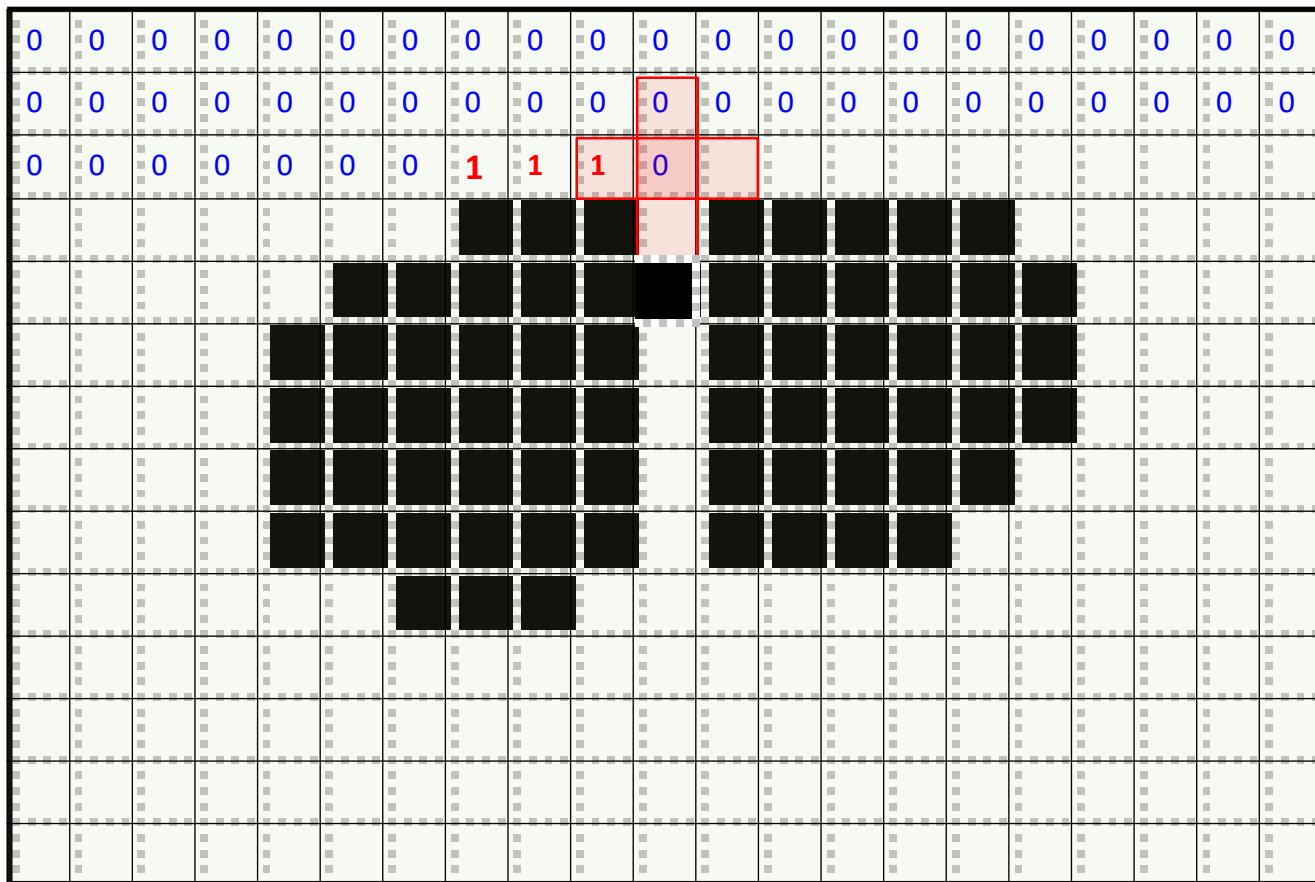
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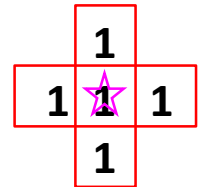
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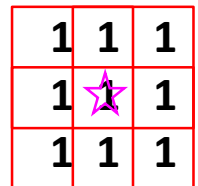
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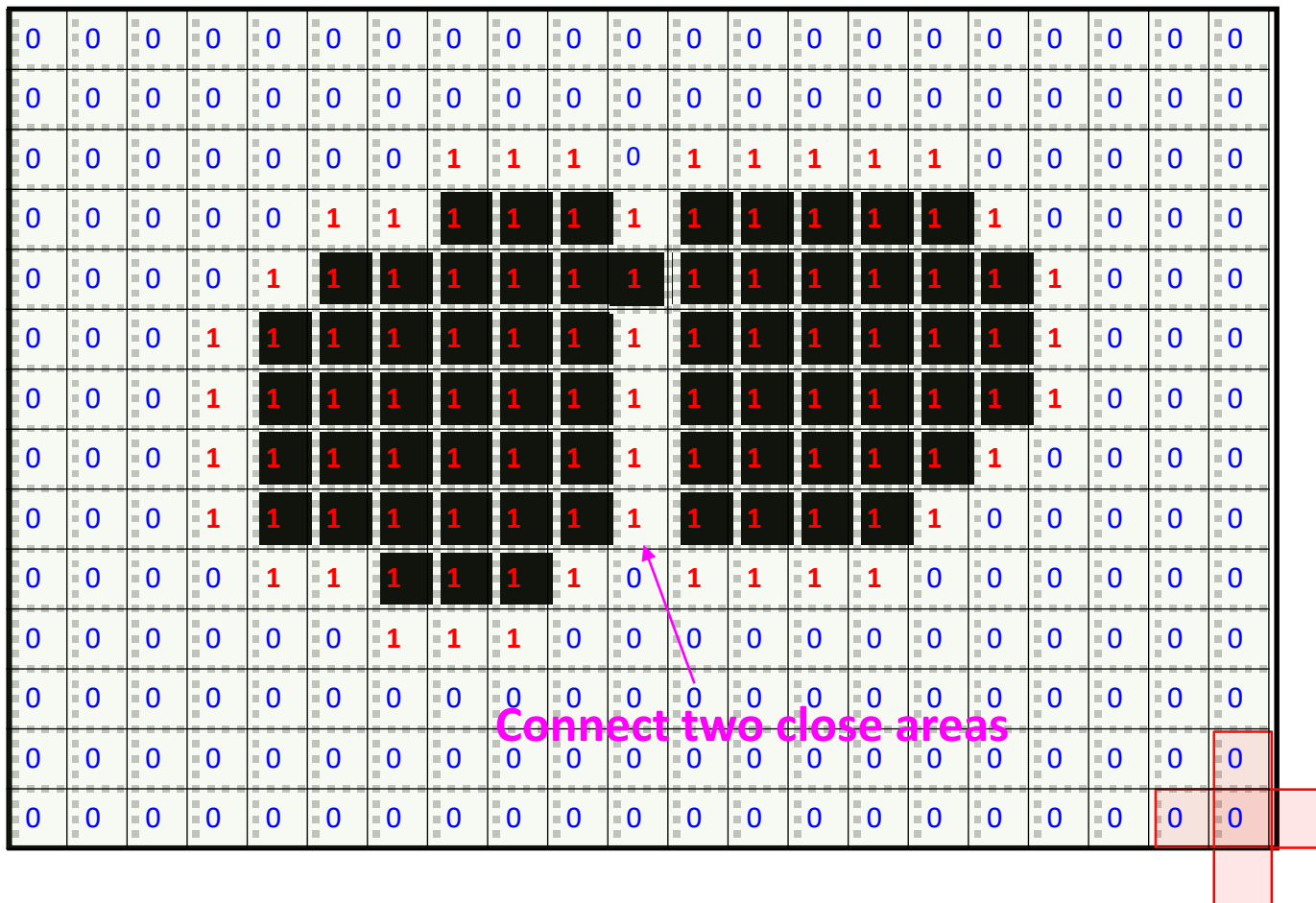
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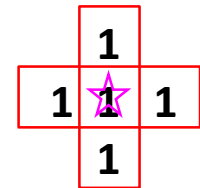
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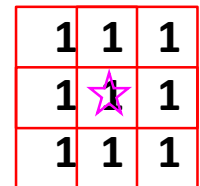
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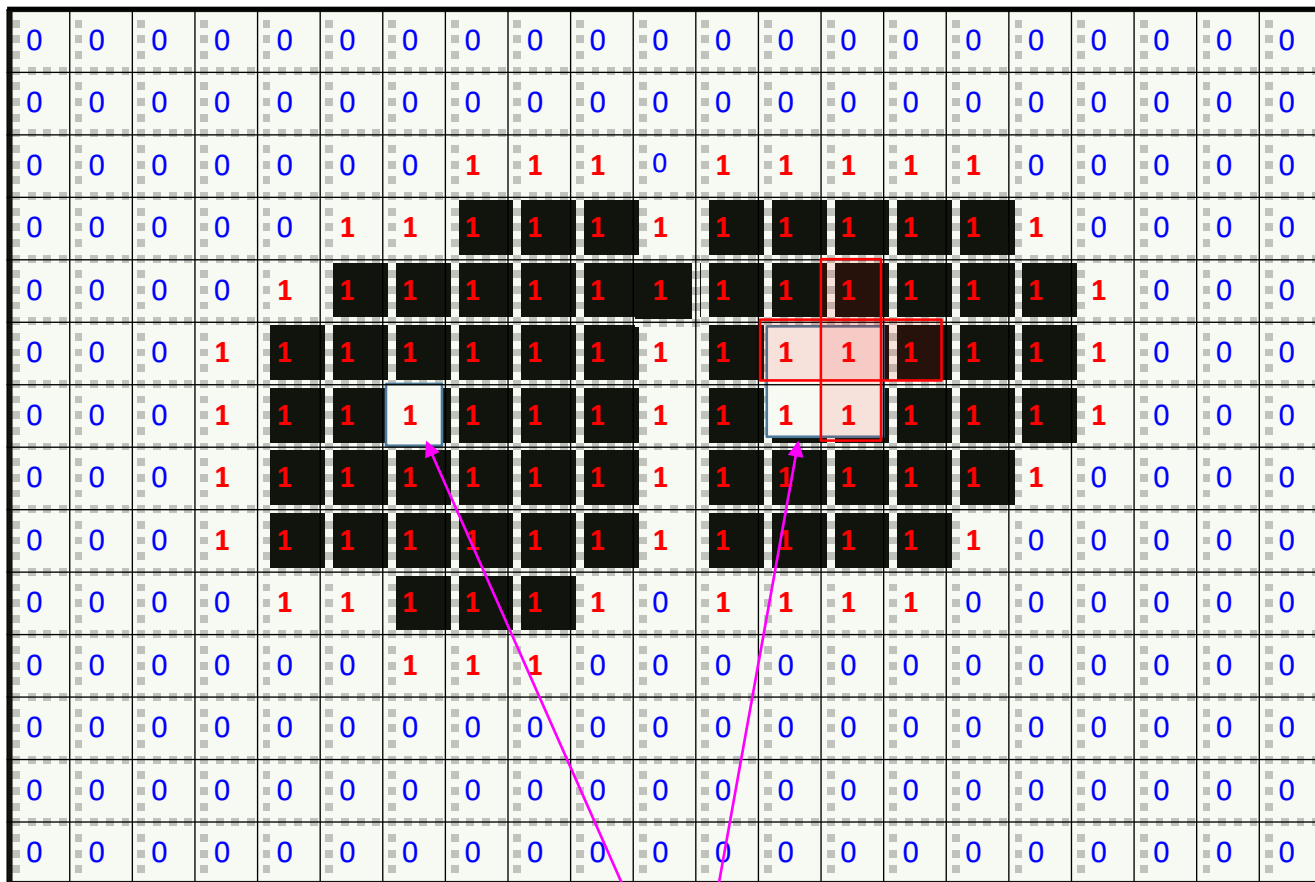
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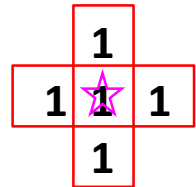
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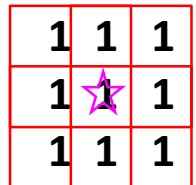
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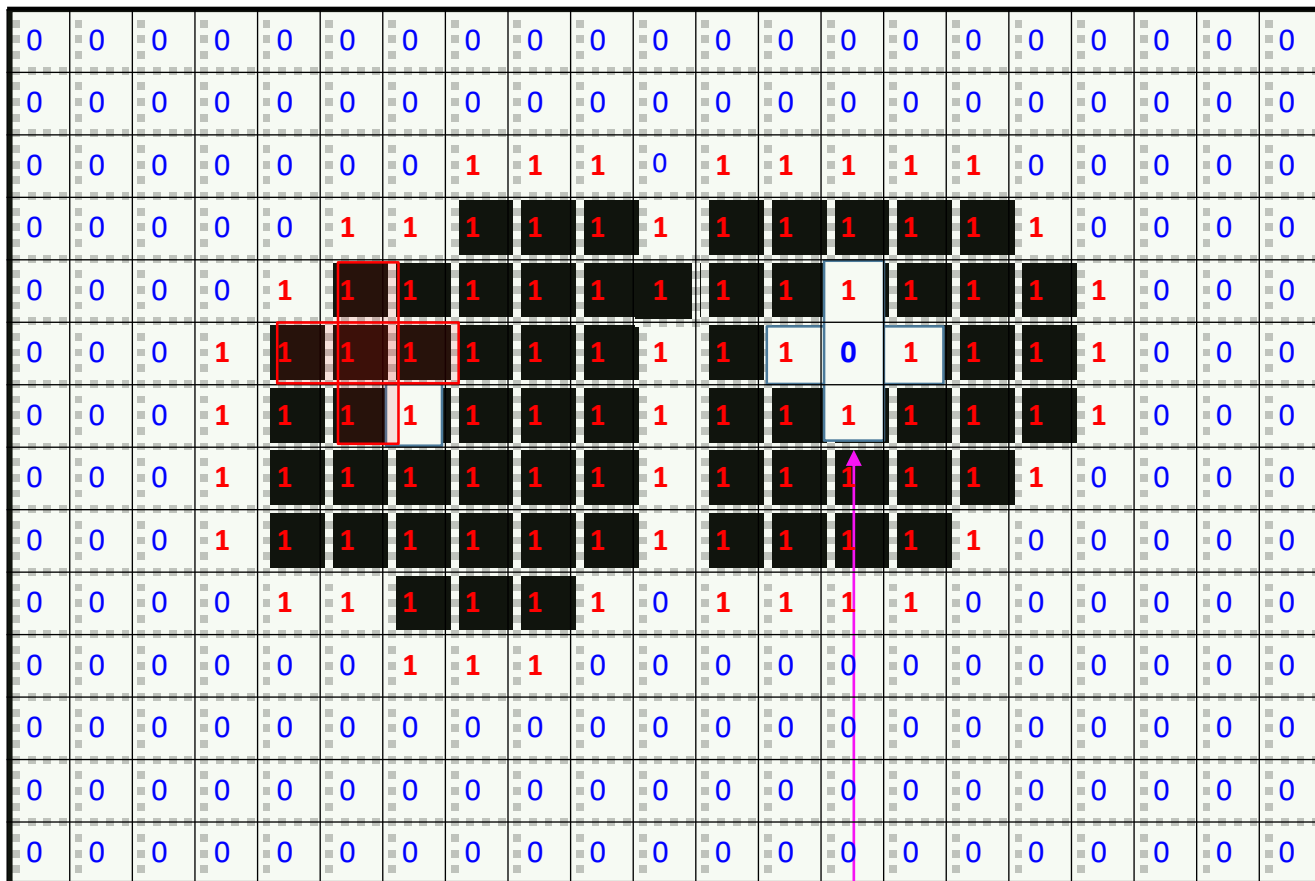
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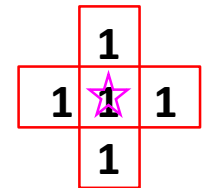
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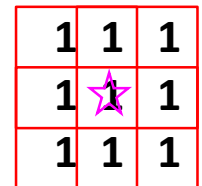
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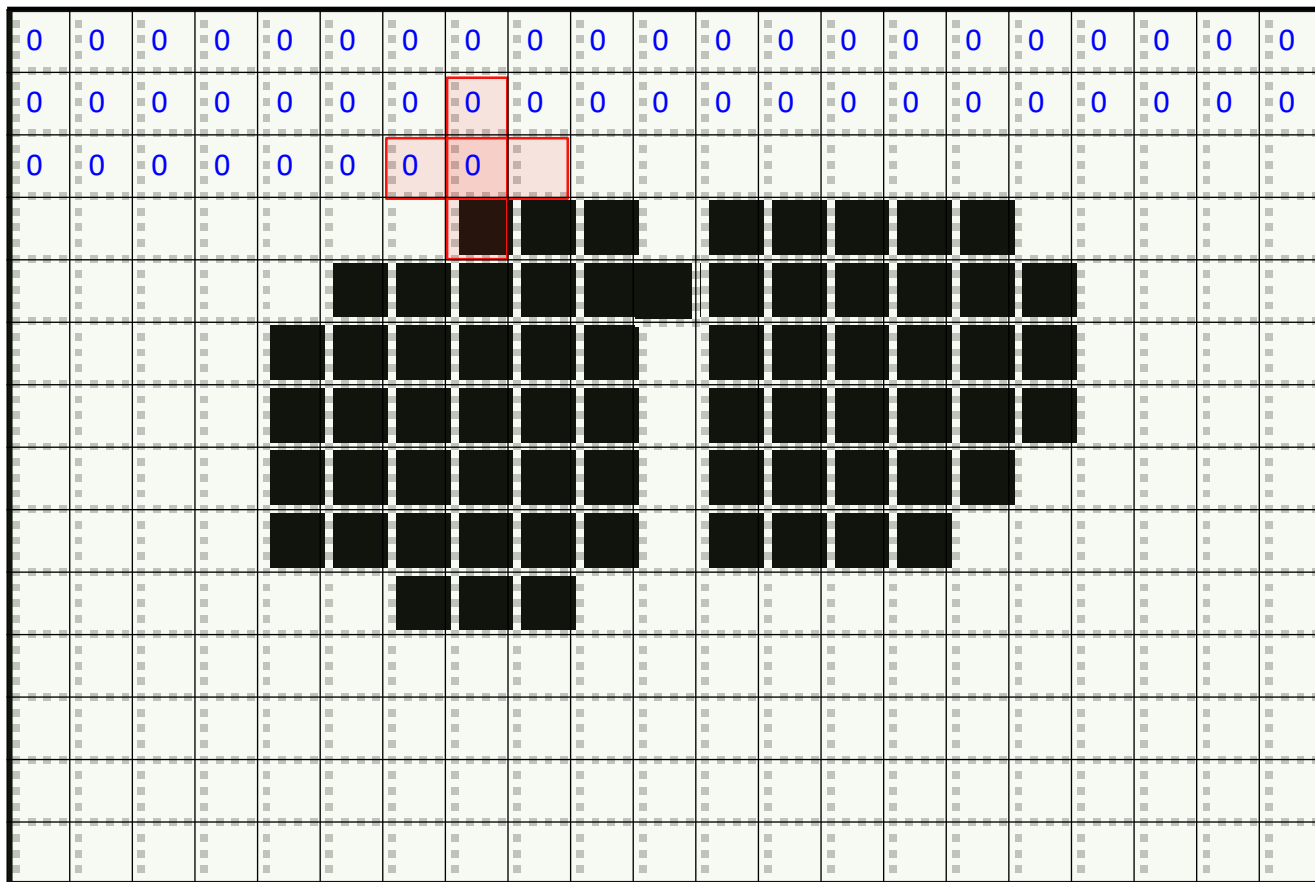
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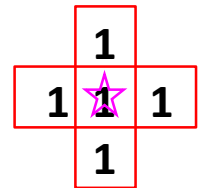
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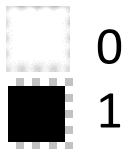
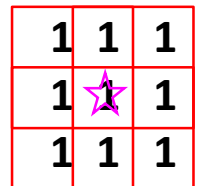
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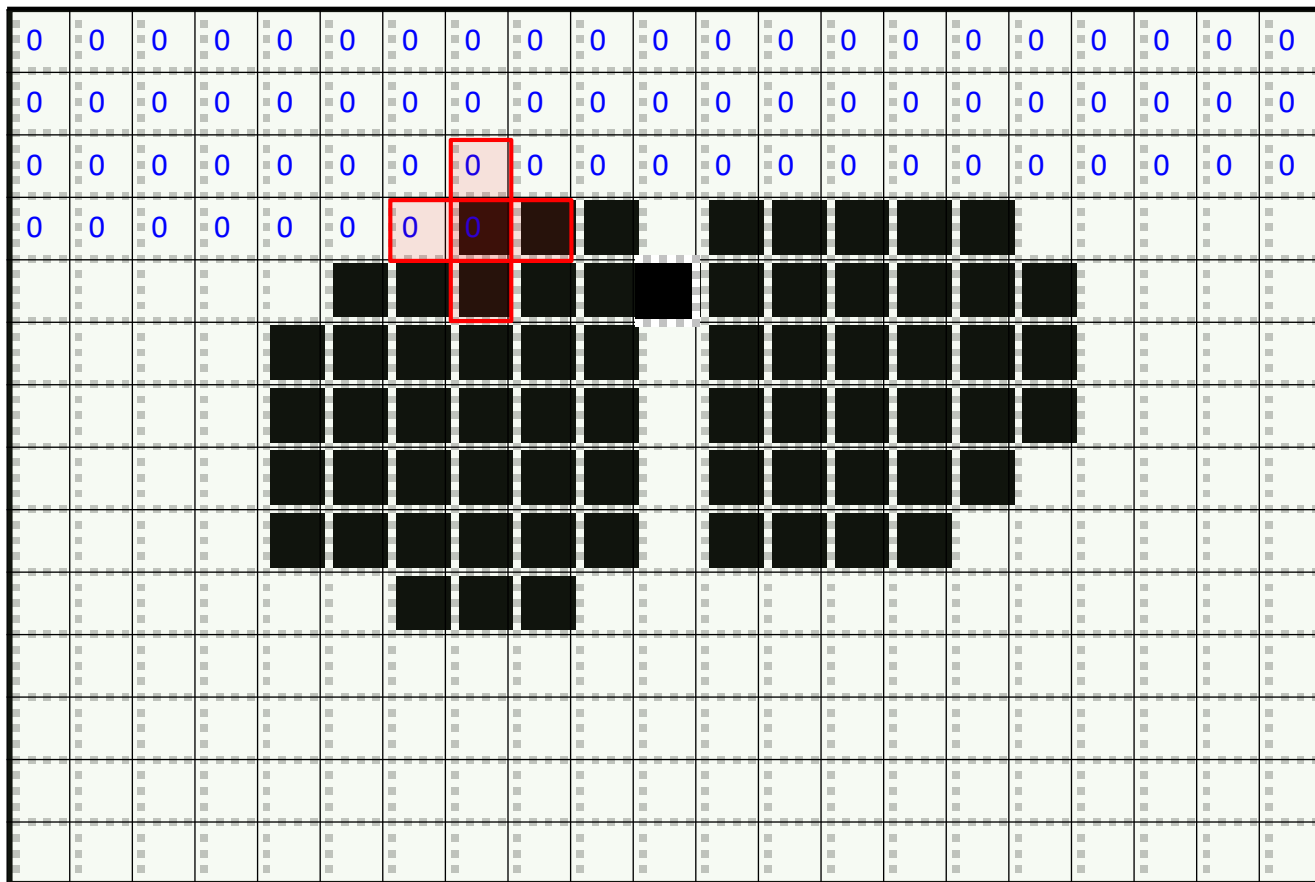
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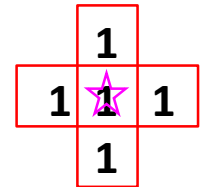
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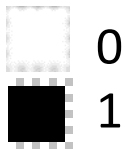
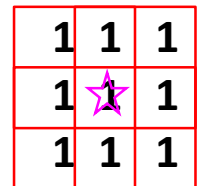
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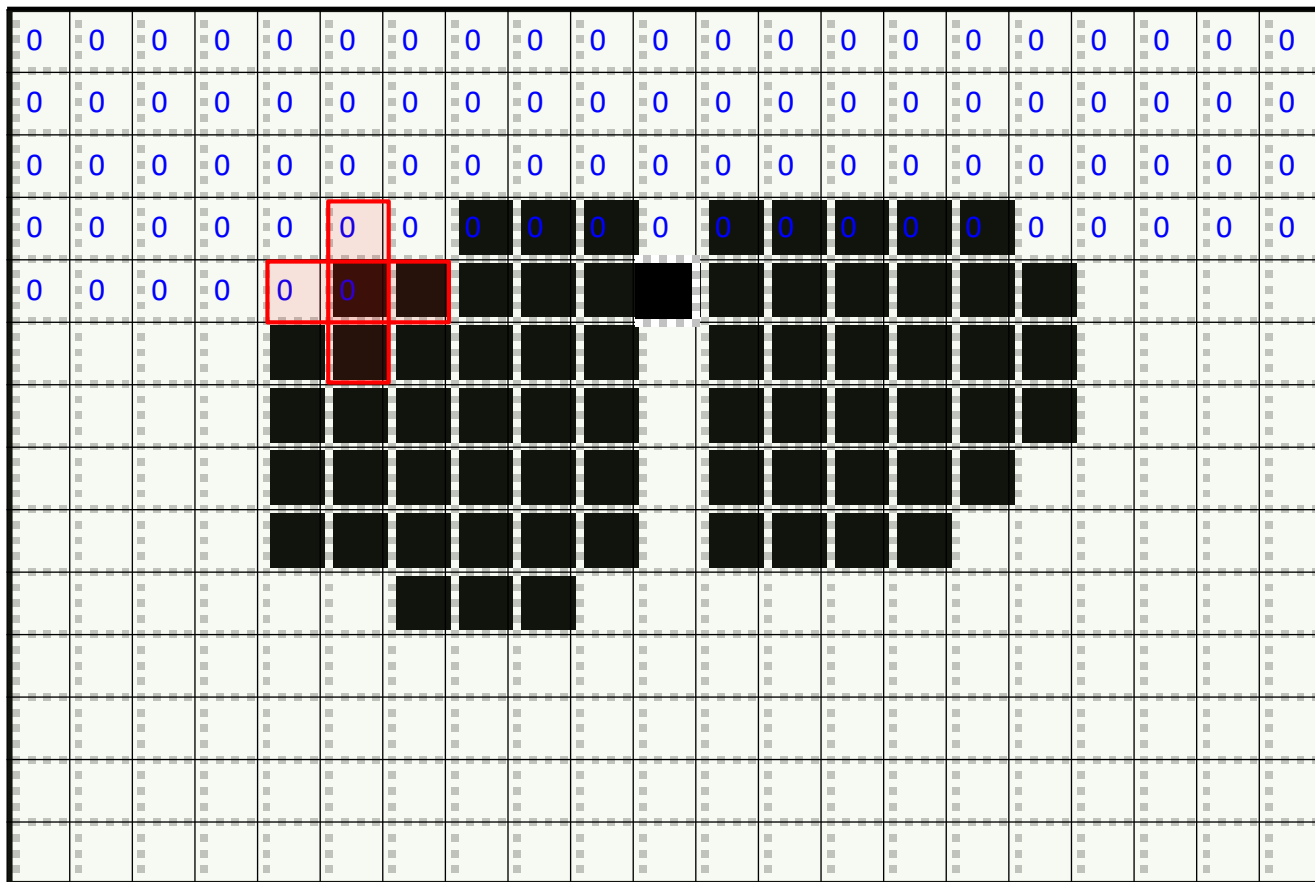
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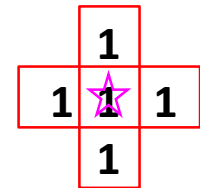
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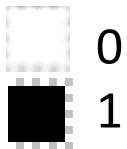
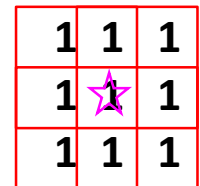
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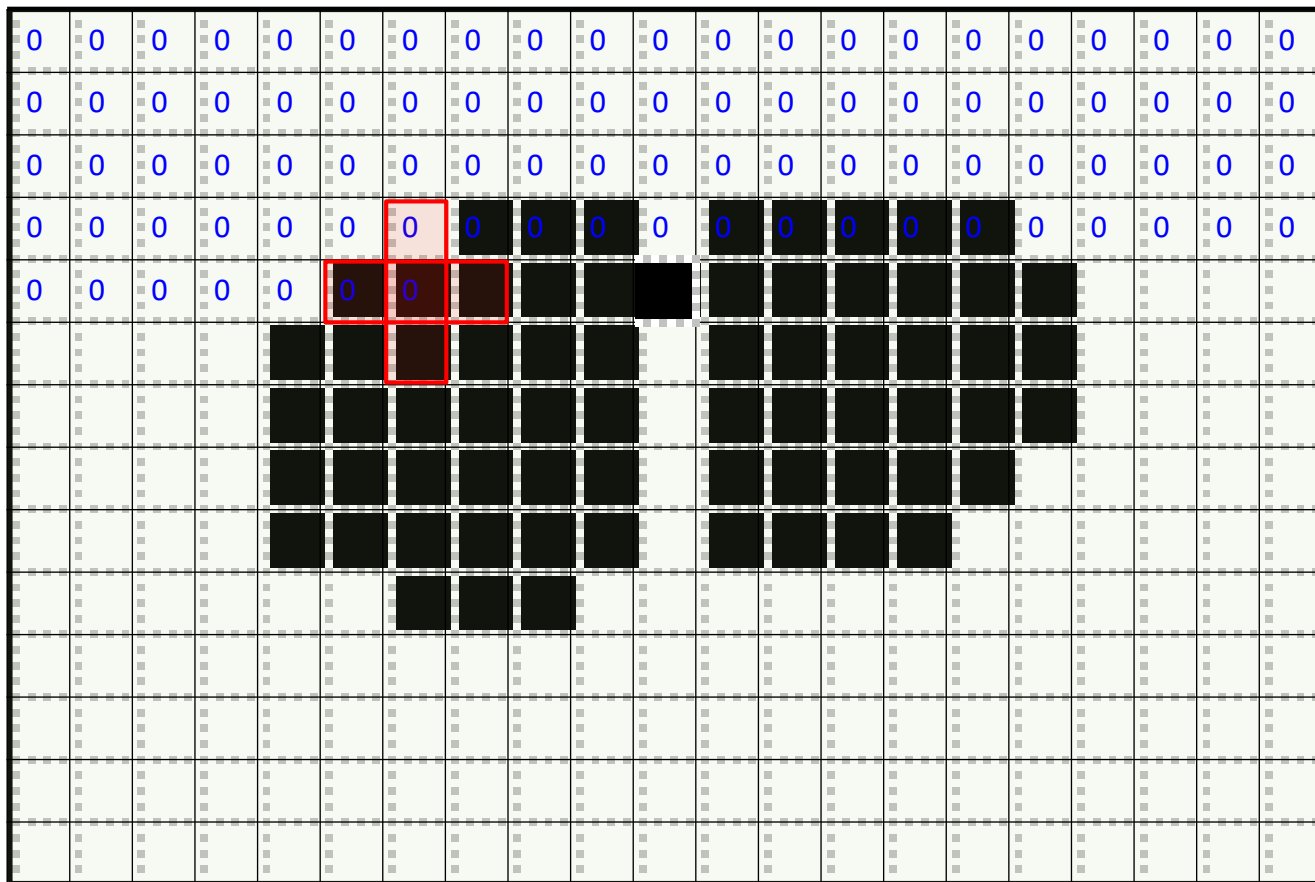
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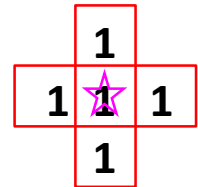
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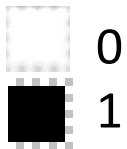
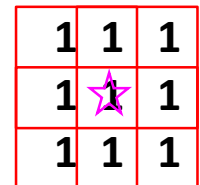
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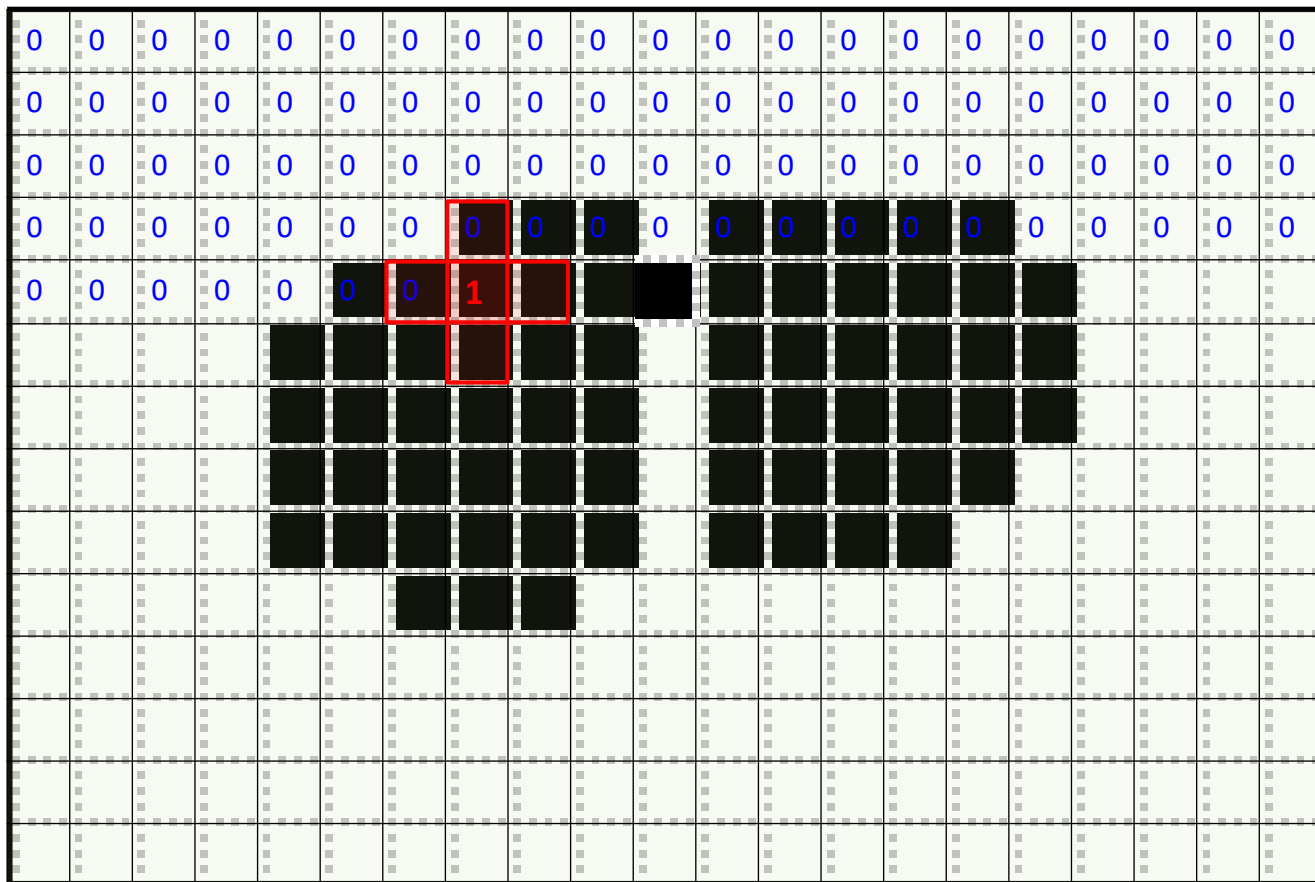
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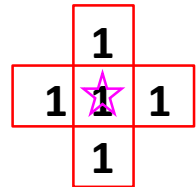
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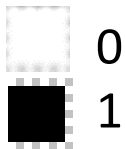
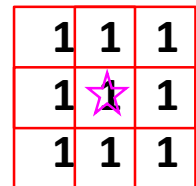
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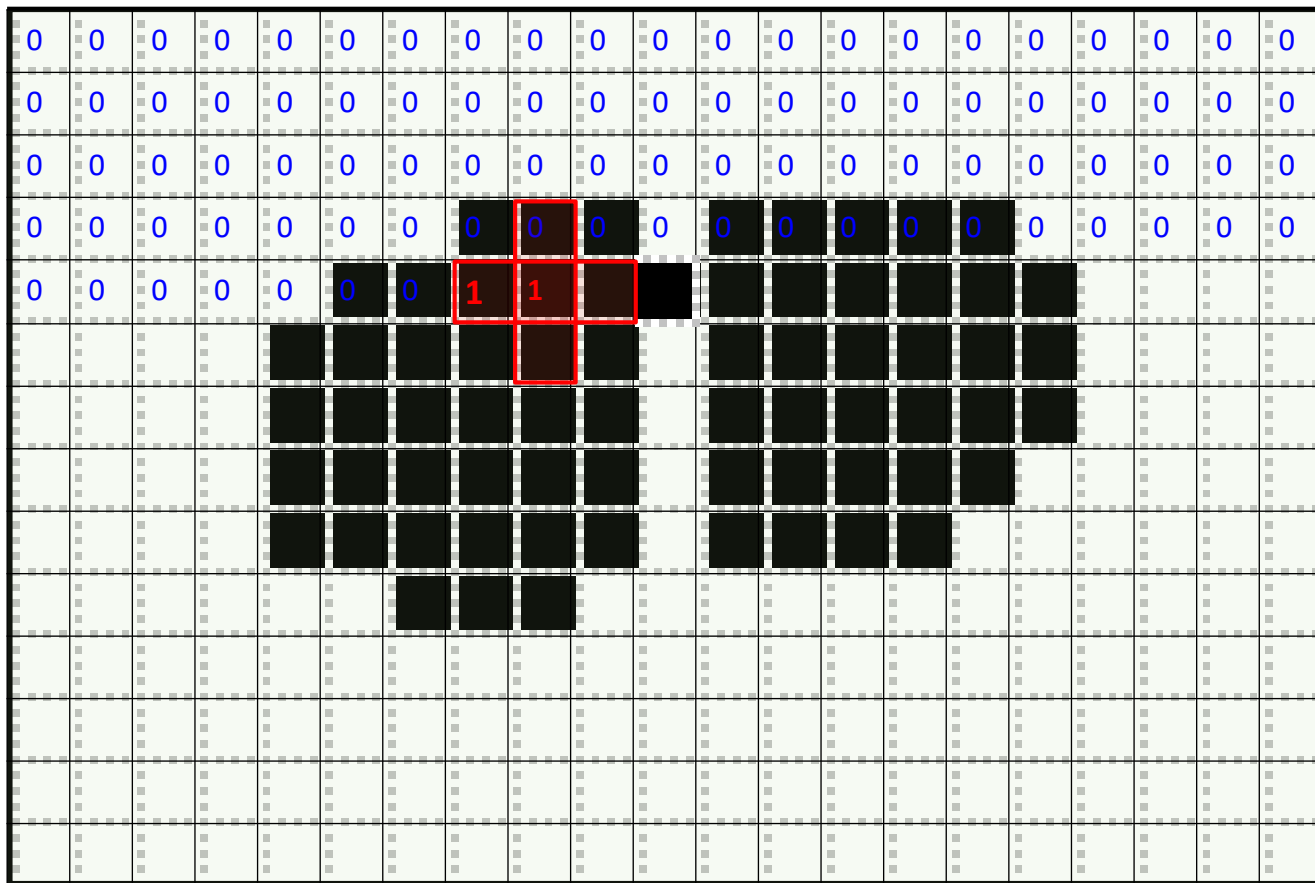
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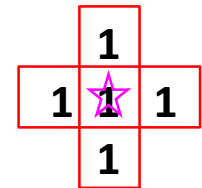
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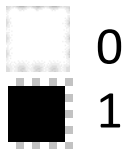
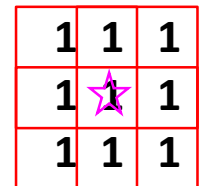
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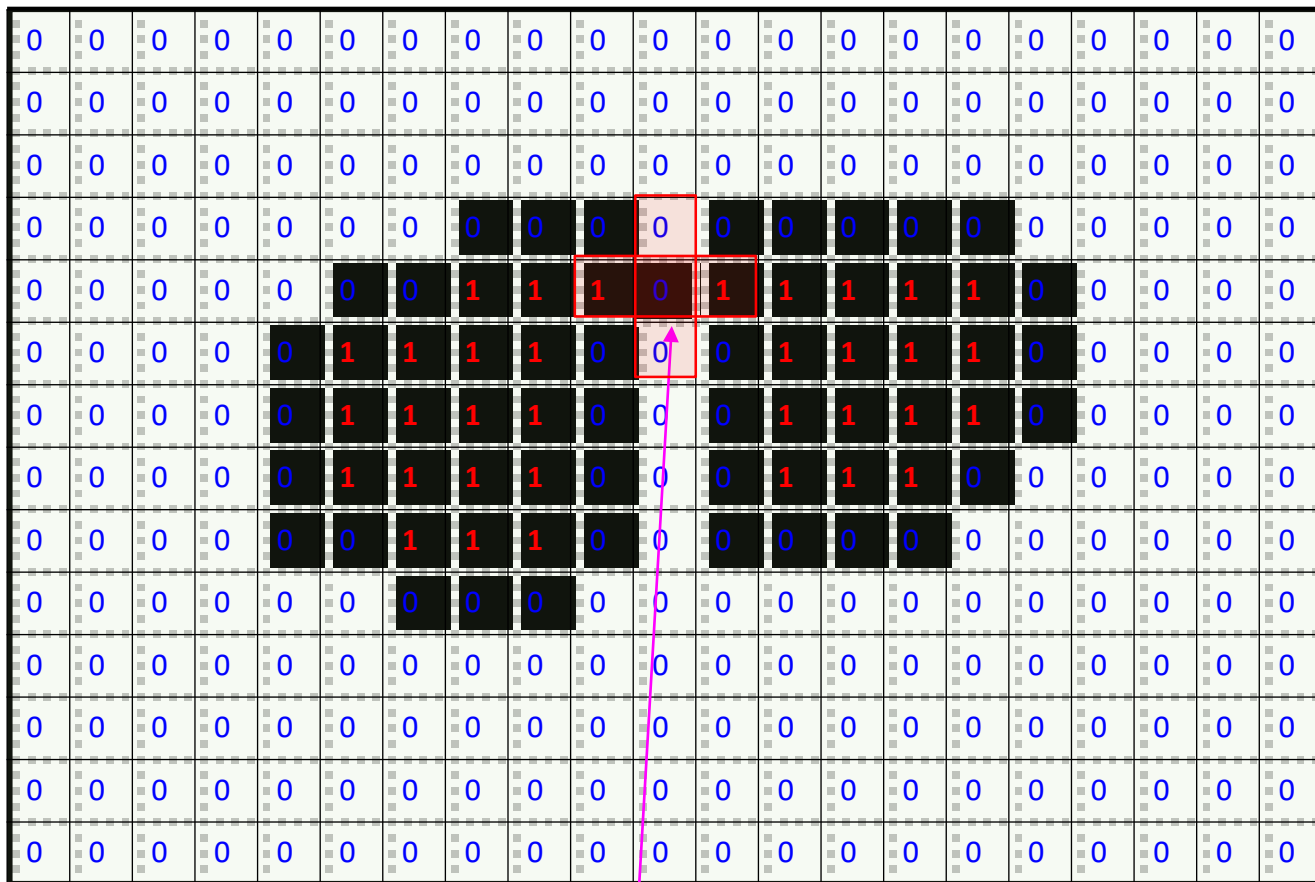
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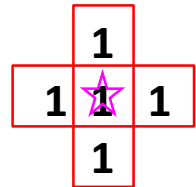
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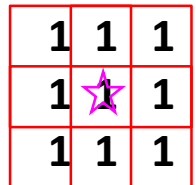
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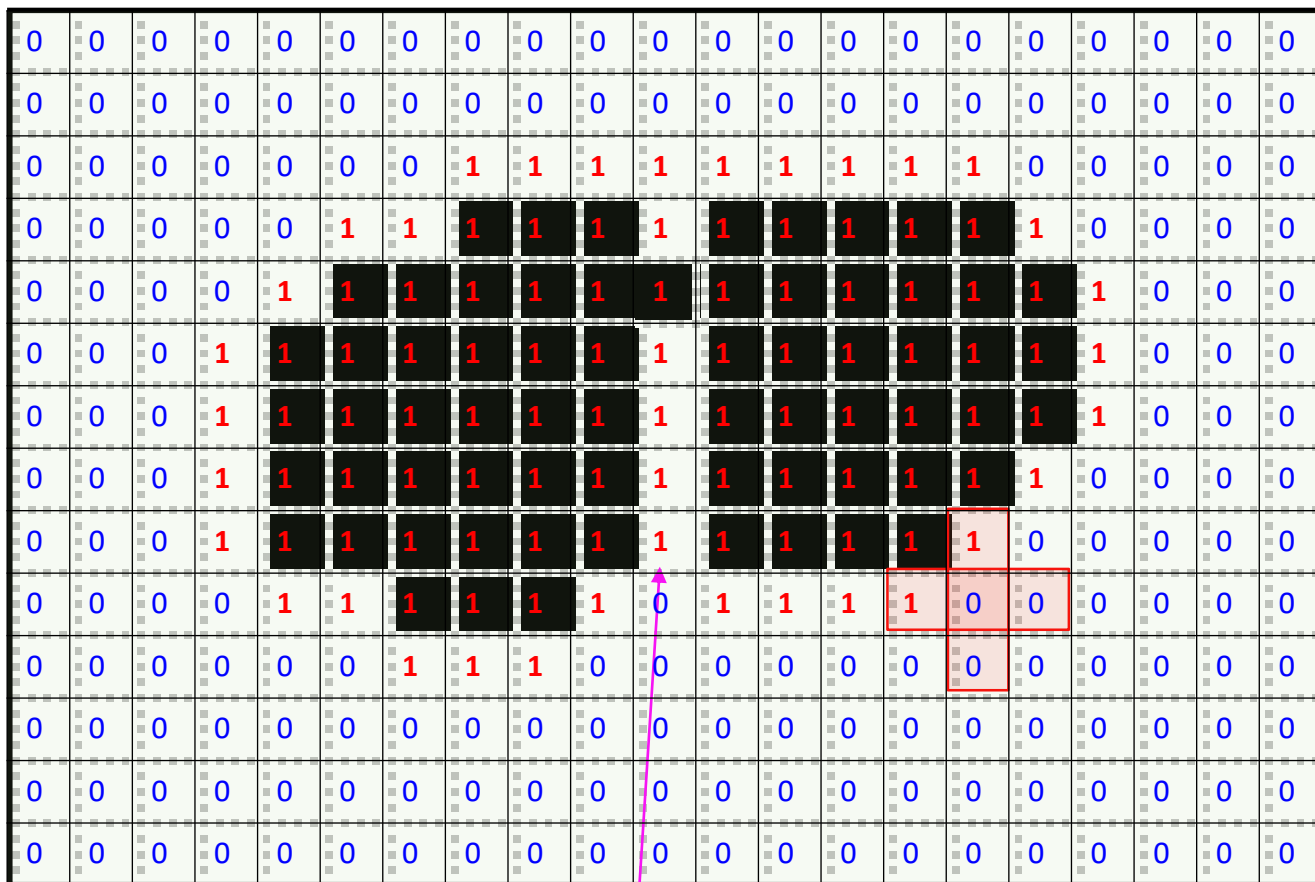
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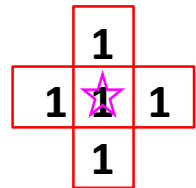
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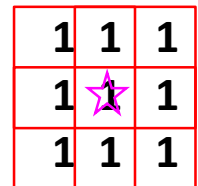
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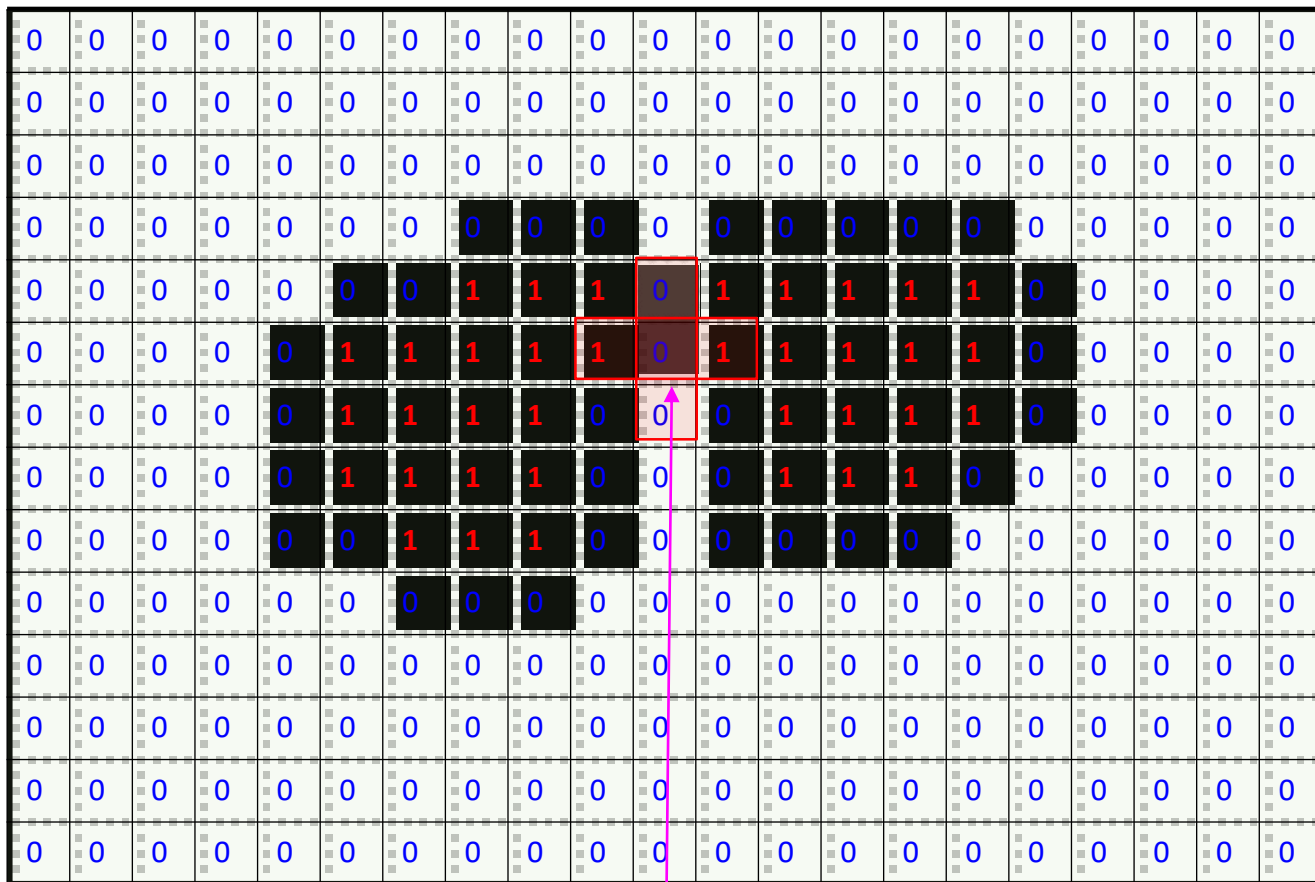


Connect two close areas

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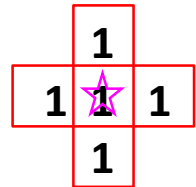
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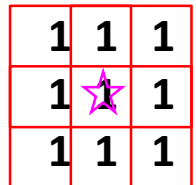
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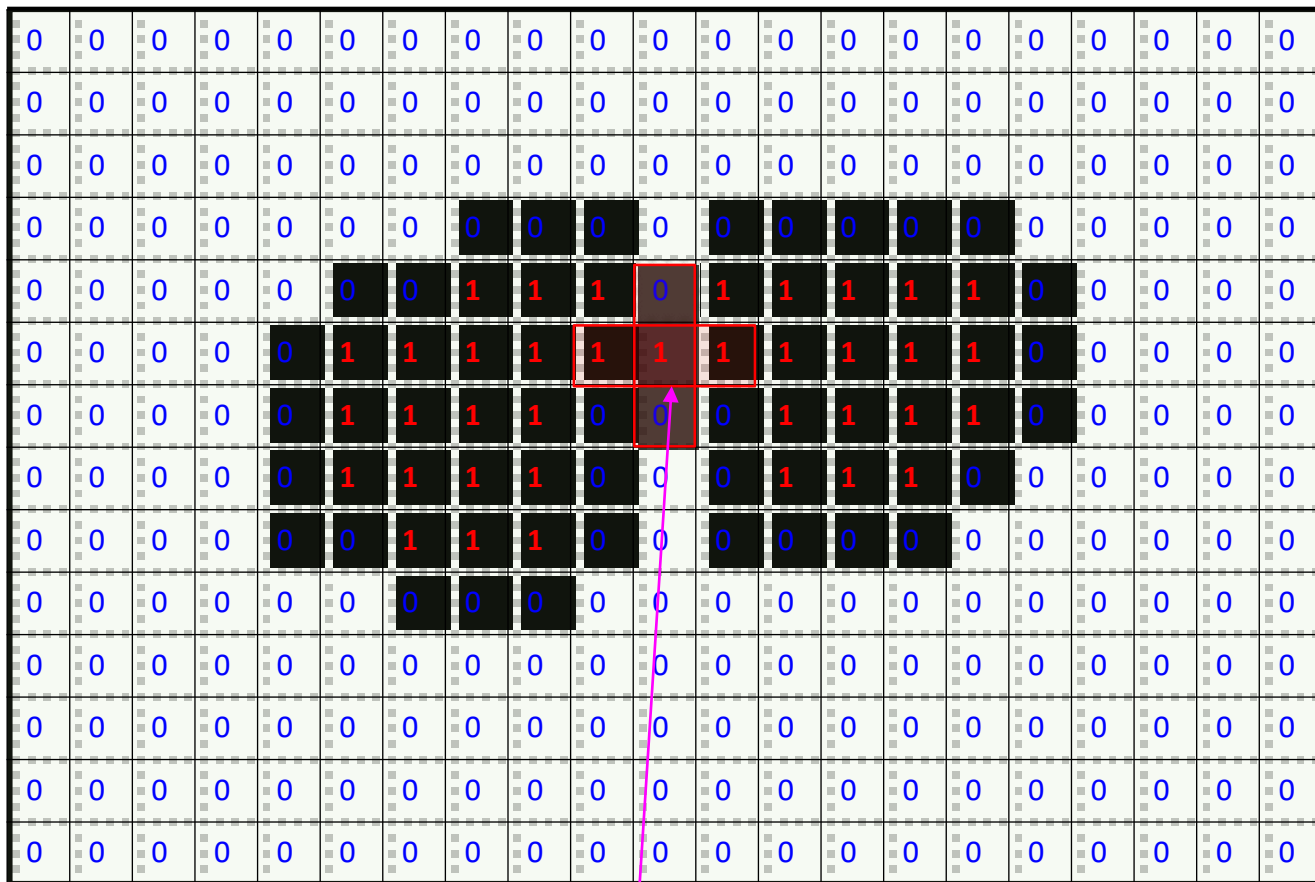


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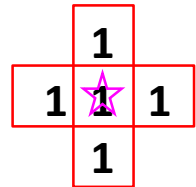
Another example



Retained connection

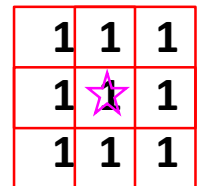
kernel

4-connected



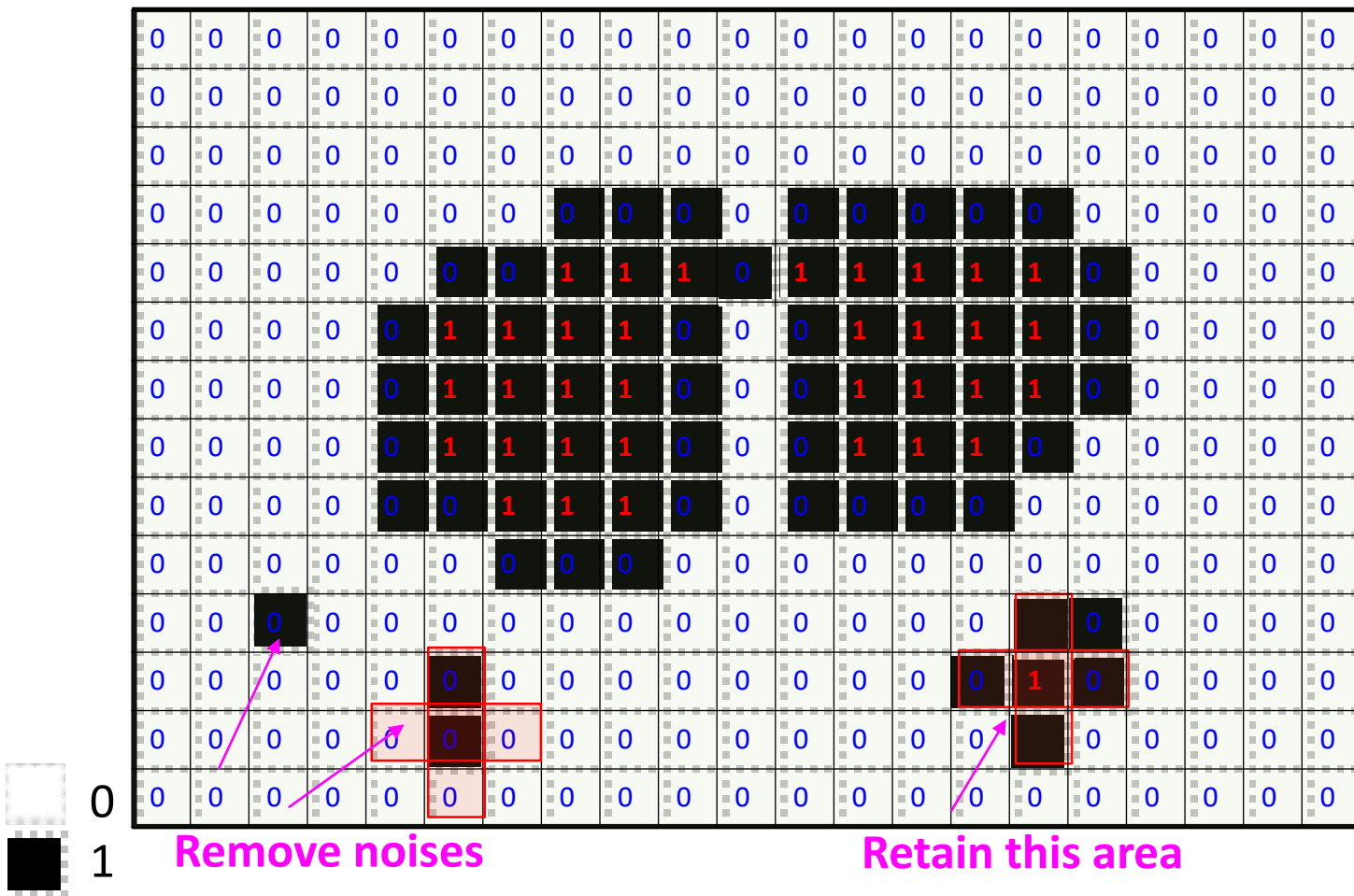
☆: anchor

8-connected



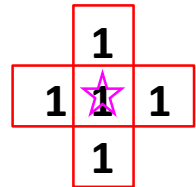
Erosion --- Another example

Take the **minimum** under the **kernel** (op: pixel-wise AND, then **AND**)



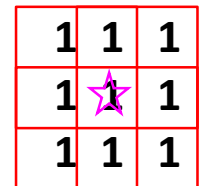
kernel

4-connected



☆: anchor

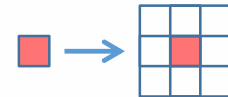
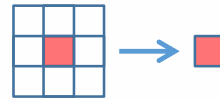
8-connected



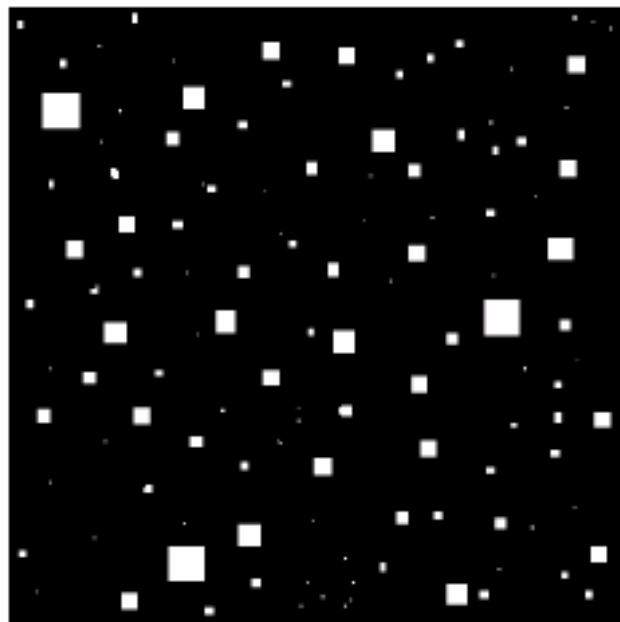
Application of erosion: eliminate irrelevant detail



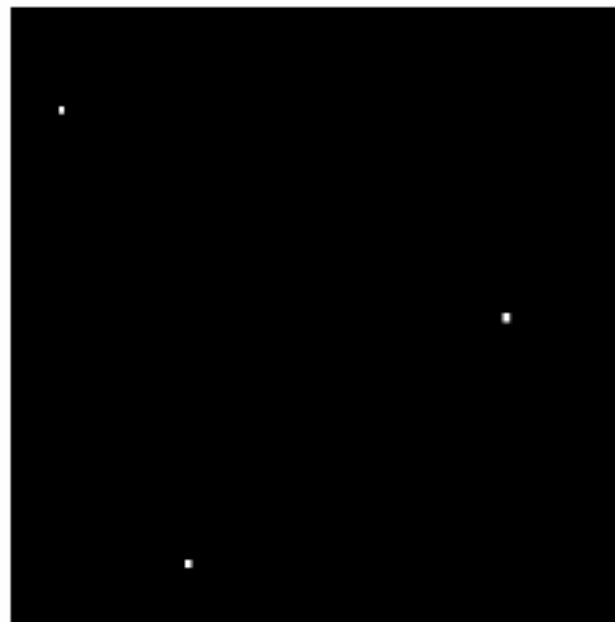
Squares of size
1,3,5,7,9,15 pels



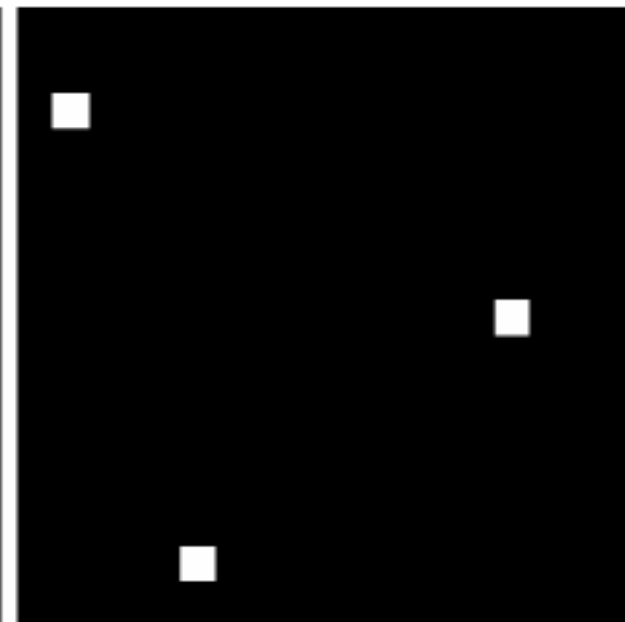
Erode with
13x13 square



original image



erosion



dilation



Application of dilation: bridging gaps in images

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

Structuring
element

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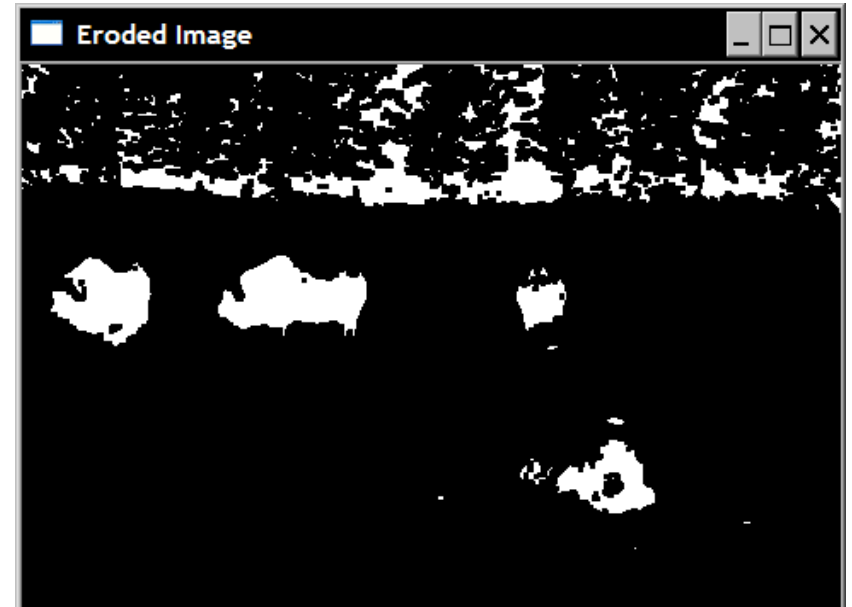


max. gap=2 pixels

Example – binary image

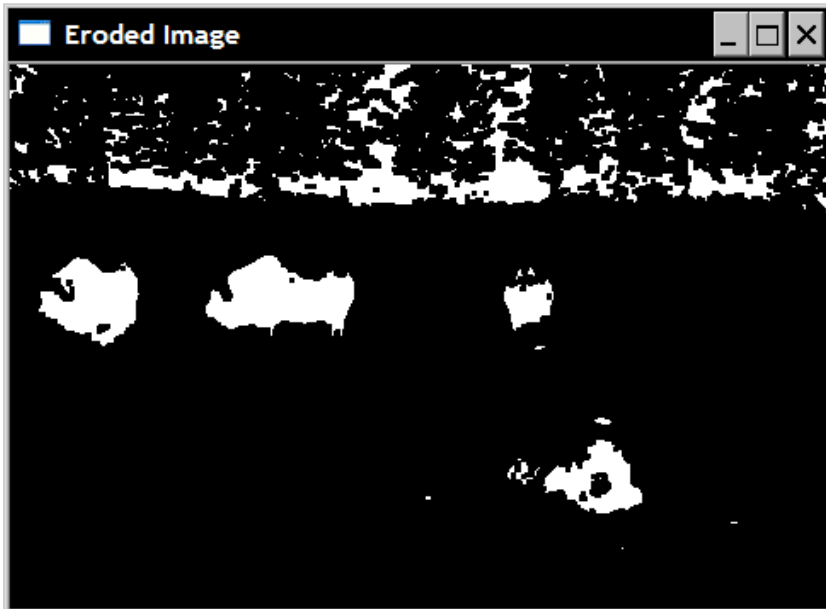
1	1	1
1	★	1
1	1	1

thresholding



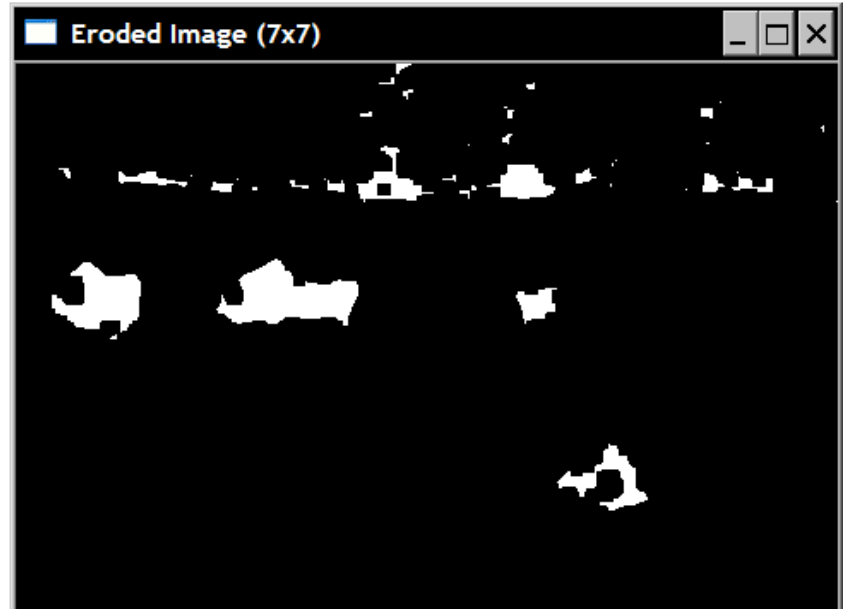
Example

- binary image



With a 3 x 3 kernel
(default)

1	1	1
1	★	1
1	1	1



With a 7 x 7 kernel

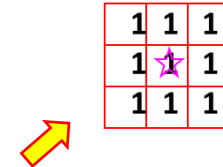
OpenCV Function -- dilate

- dilate(InputArray **src**,
OutputArray **dst**,
InputArray **kernel**,
Point **anchor**=Point(-1,-1),
int **iterations**=1,
int **borderType**=BORDER_CONSTANT,
const Scalar& **borderValue** =
morphologyDefaultBorderValue())
- dilate(src, dst, Mat(), Point(-1,-1), 1);

1	1	1
1	★	1
1	1	1

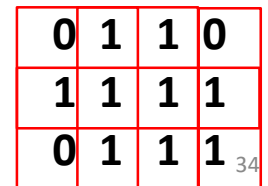
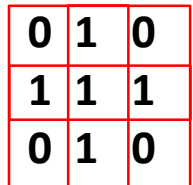
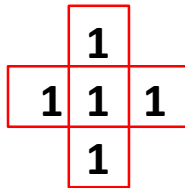
OpenCV Function -- dilate

- `dilate(src, dst, Mat(), Point(-1,-1), 1);`
Kernel (structuring element)



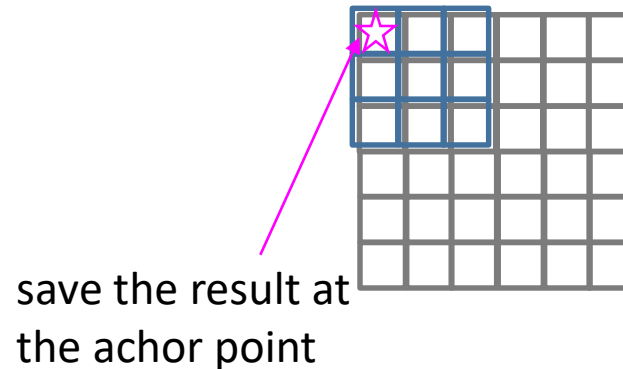
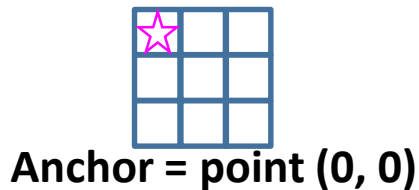
- By default, OpenCV uses a **3x3 square** structuring element.
- This **default structuring element** is obtained when **an empty matrix** (that is `cv::Mat()`) is specified as the third argument in the function call.
- You can also **specify a structuring element** of the **size** and **shape** you want by providing a **matrix** in which the **non-zero** element defines the structuring element.
- For example, a 7x7 structuring element is applied:
 - `Mat element(7,7,CV_8U,cv::Scalar(1));`
 - `dilate(image, dilated, element);`

4-connected



OpenCV Function -- dilate

- `dilate(src, dst, Mat(), Point(-1,-1), 1);`
anchor
- The origin argument **Point(-1,-1)** means that the origin is **at the center of the matrix** (default).
- It can be defined anywhere on the structuring element.

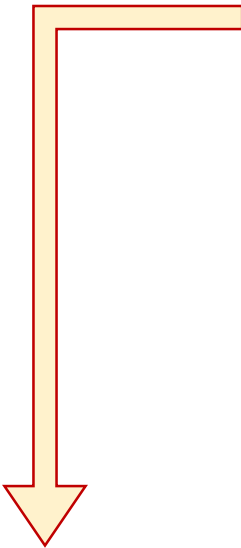


OpenCV Function -- erode

- `erode(InputArray src,
OutputArray dst,
InputArray kernel,
Point anchor=Point(-1,-1),
int iterations=1,
int borderType=BORDER_CONSTANT,
const Scalar& borderValue =
morphologyDefaultBorderValue())`

```
erode(src, dst, Mat(), Point(-1,-1), 1);
```

OpenCV Function -- More Morphological Operations

- **morphologyEx** (InputArray **src**,
OutputArray **dst**,
 **Int op**,
InputArray **kernel**,
Point **anchor**=Point(-1,-1),
int **iterations**=1,
int **borderType**=BORDER_CONSTANT,
const Scalar& **borderValue** =
morphologyDefaultBorderValue())

MORPH_OPEN - an opening operation

MORPH_CLOSE - a closing operation

MORPH_GRADIENT - a morphological gradient **Try it !**

MORPH_TOPHAT - “top hat”

MORPH_BLACKHAT - “black hat”

Opening and Closing

- Opening: Erosion then Dilation

$$\rightarrow A \circ B = (A \ominus B) \oplus B$$

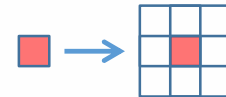
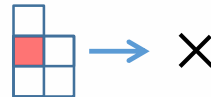
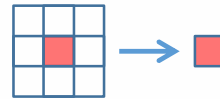
- Closing: Dilation then Erosion

$$\rightarrow A \circ B = (A \oplus B) \ominus B$$

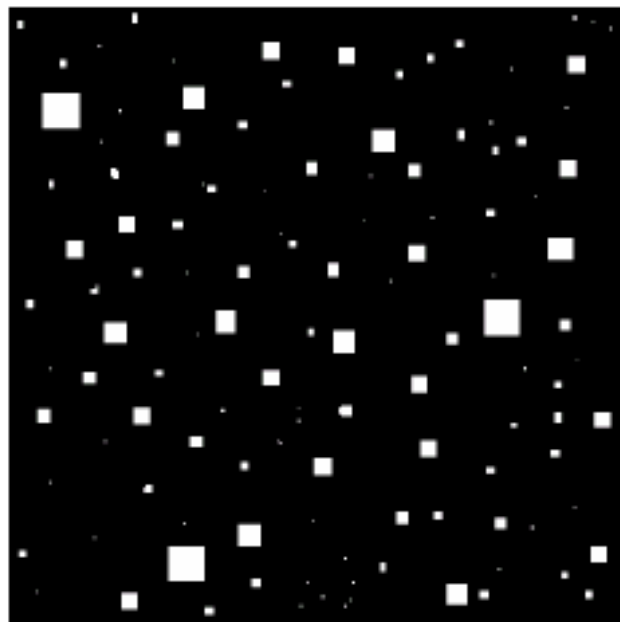
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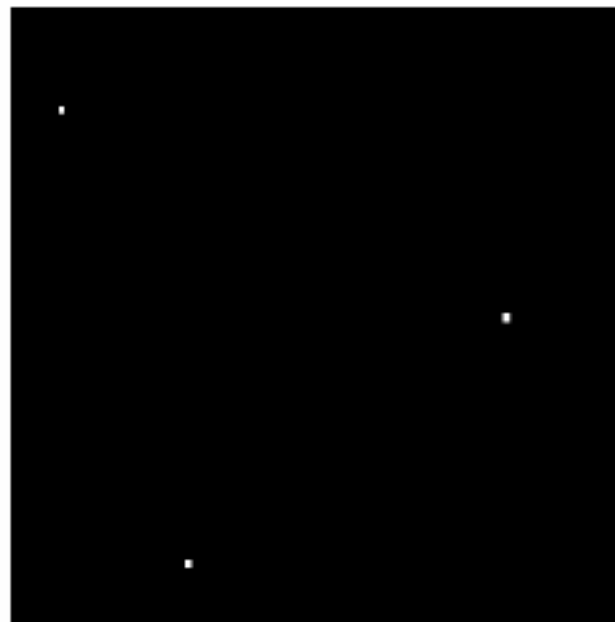
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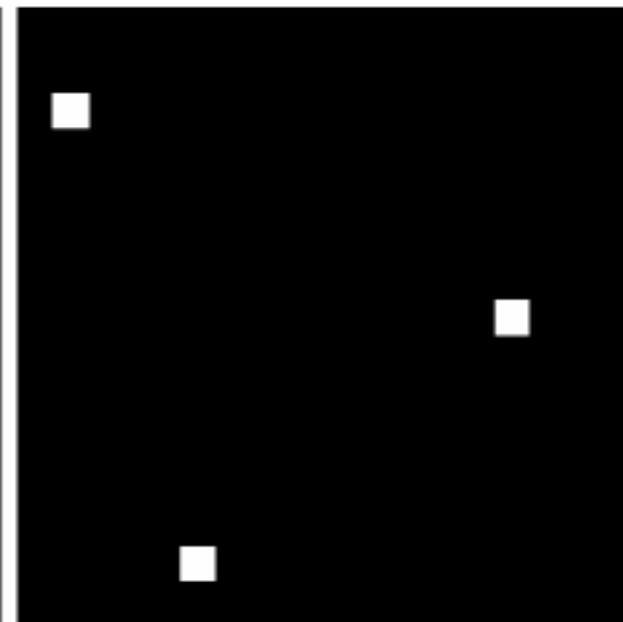
Erode with
13x13 square



original image



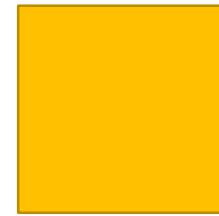
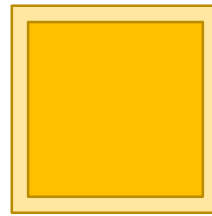
erosion



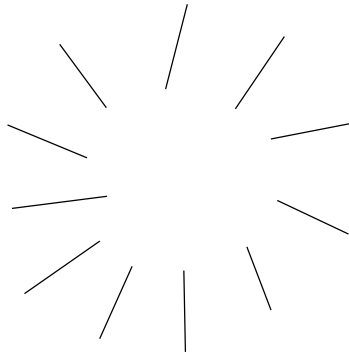
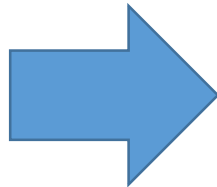
dilation

Opened Image

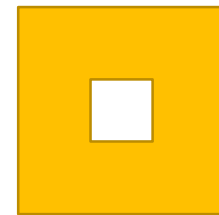
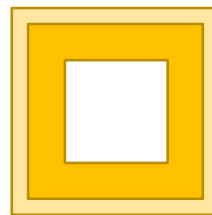
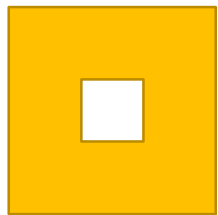
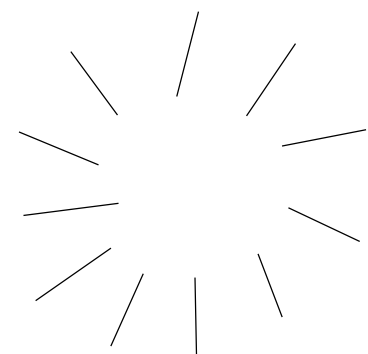
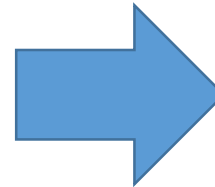
- Erosion then Dilation (先縮再擴)



Erosion

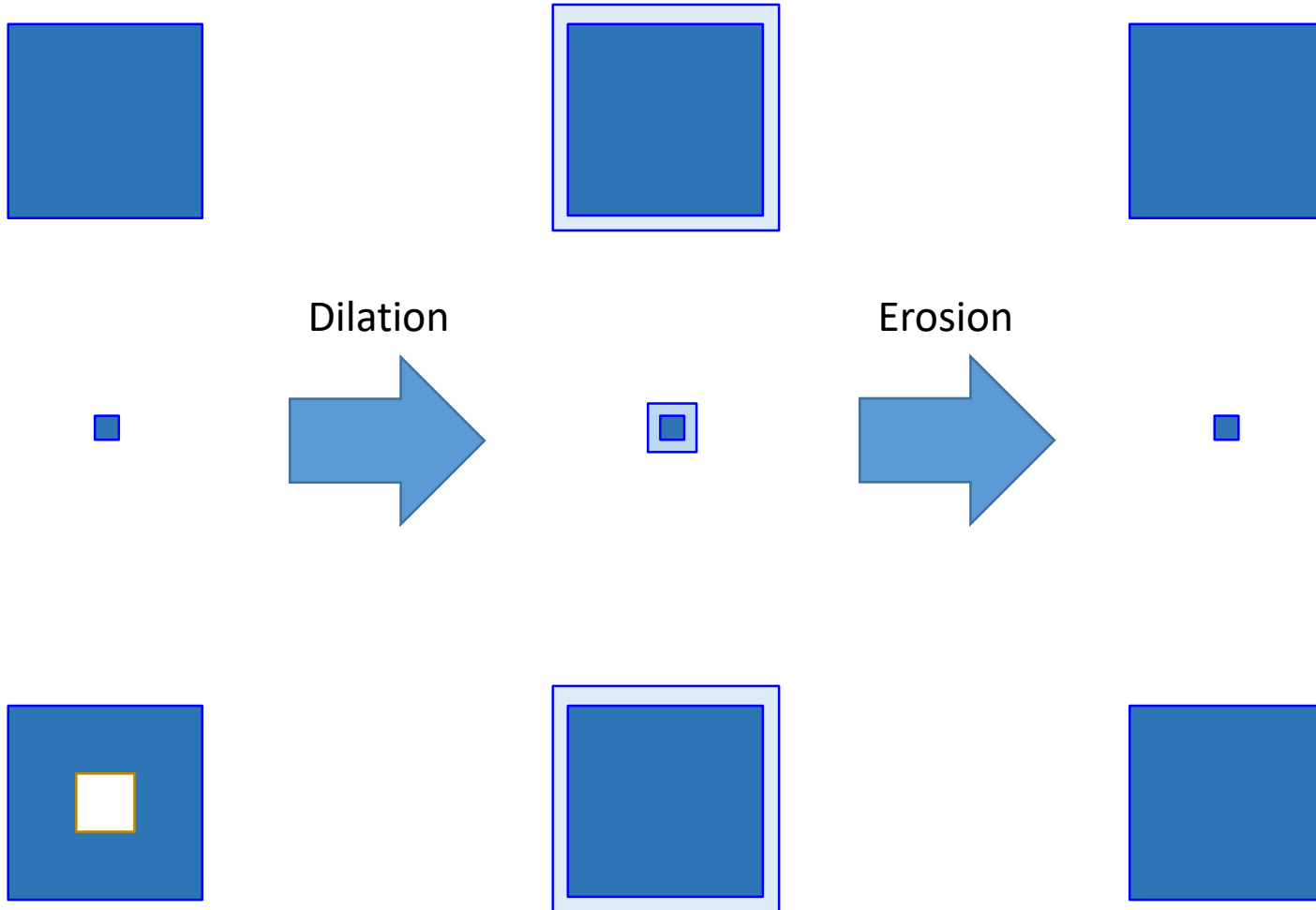


Dilation

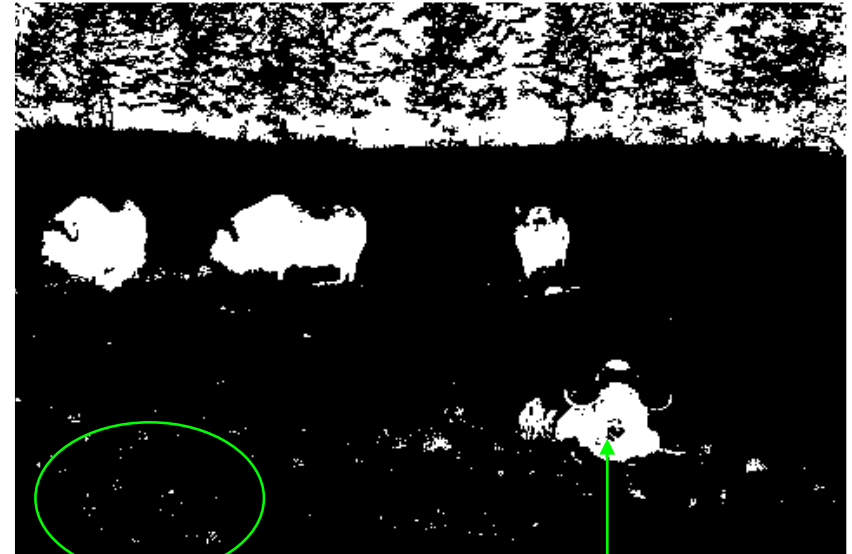


Closed Image

- Dilation then Erosion (先擴再縮)

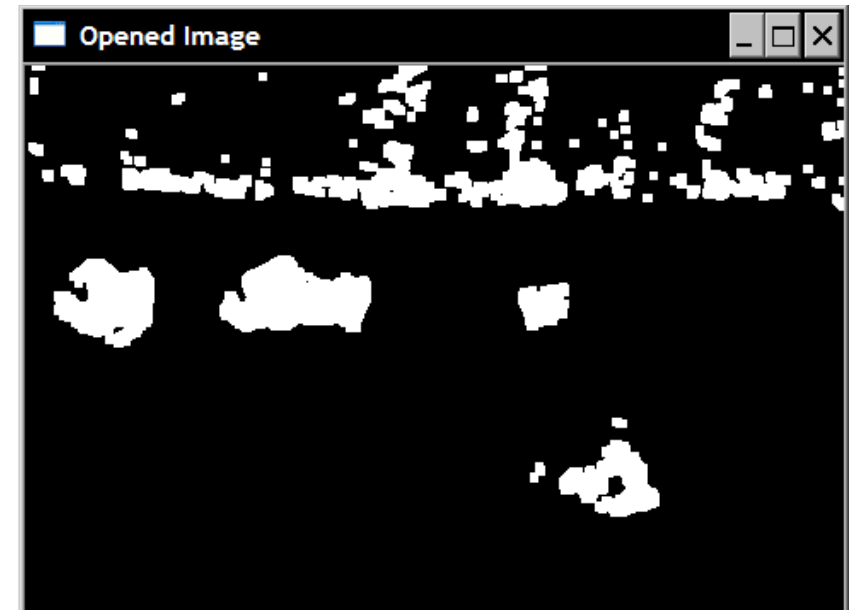
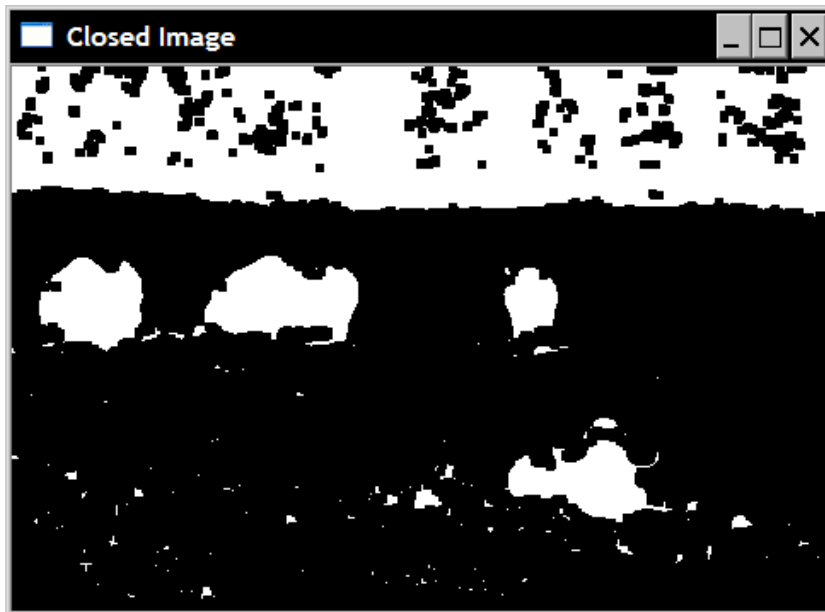


Opening and Closing

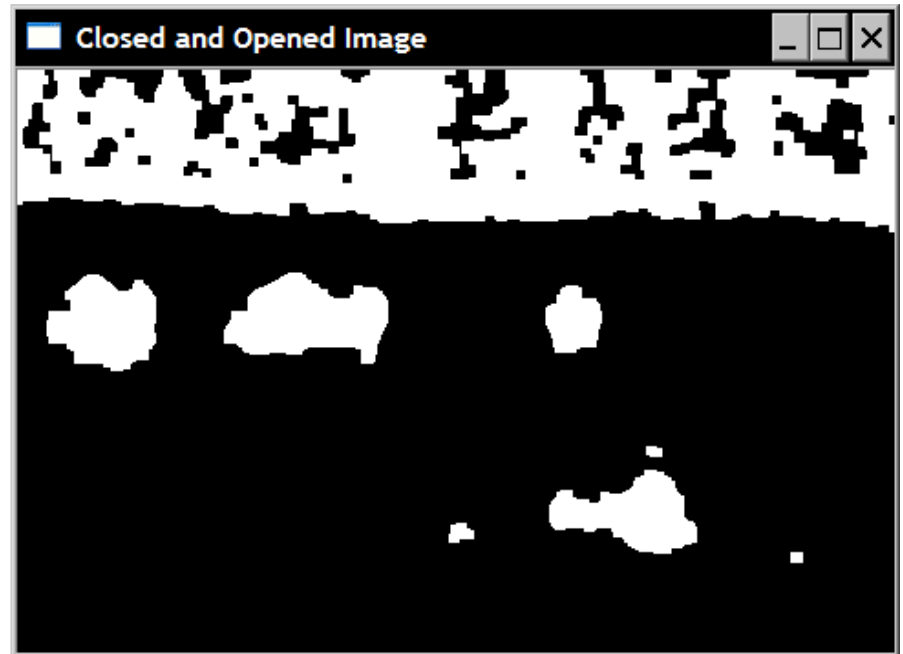


Outer noise

Inner noise



Opening and Closing



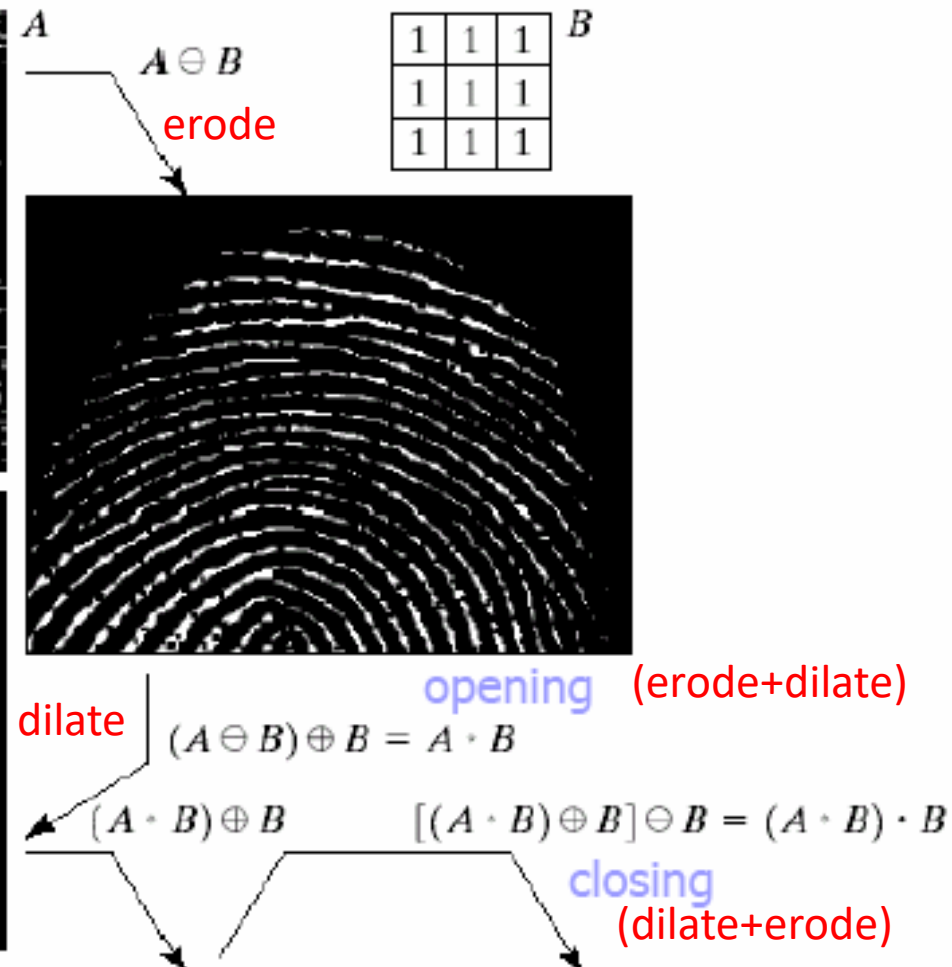


Noisy
image



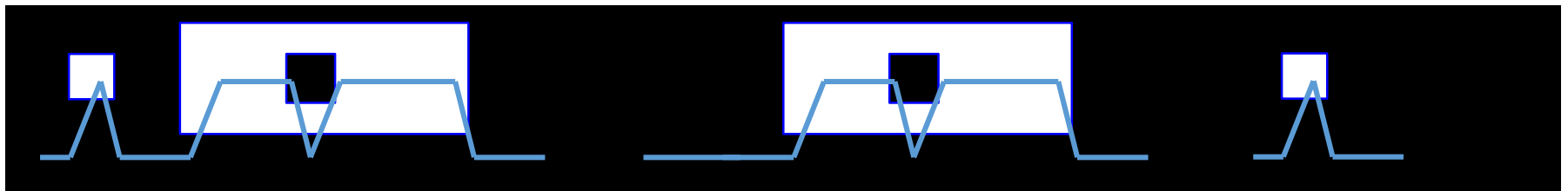
(Opening)
Remove
outer
noise

(Closing)
Remove
inner
noise

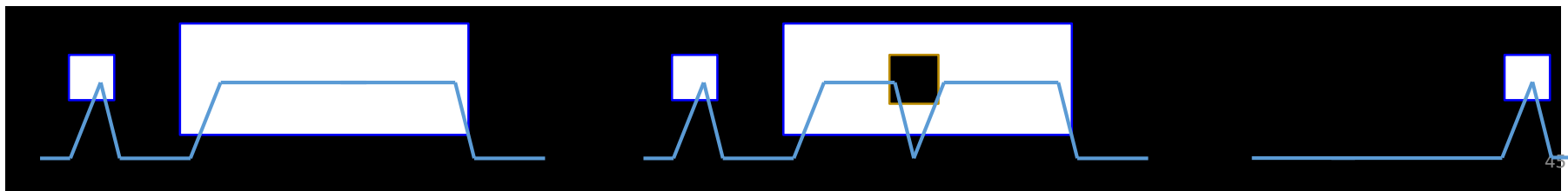


Gradient, TopHat and BlackHat

- Gradient : Dilation – Erosion
 - Extract the edge / silhouette
- TopHat : Original – Opened Image
 - Extract the light region



- BlackHat : Closed Image – Original
 - Extract the dark region



Morphological Image Processing

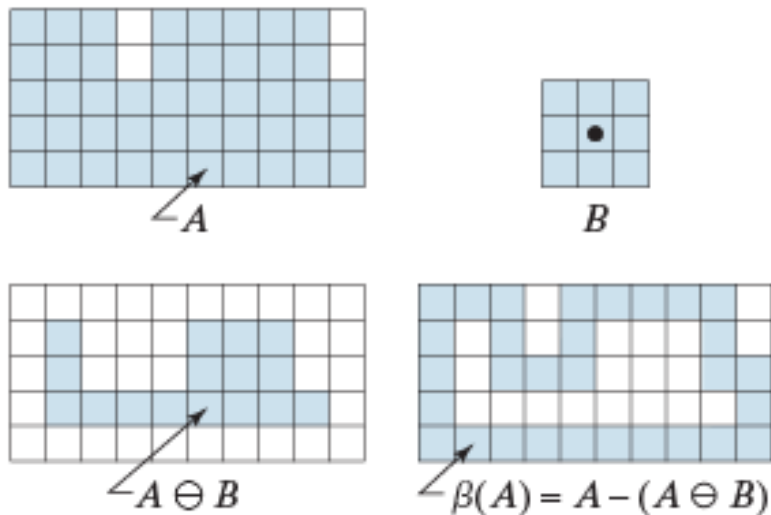
- 侵蝕 (Erode)與擴張 (Dilate)
- 斷開 (Open)與閉合 (Close)
- 邊界抽取 (Boundary Extraction)
- 填洞 (Hole Filling)
- 交離轉換(Hit-or-Miss Transformation)
- 連通成份分析(Connected Component Analysis/
Labeling)

Boundary Extraction

- $\beta(A)$: The boundary of set A:

$$\beta(A) = A - (A \ominus B)$$

B : structuring element for boundary extraction



example

Hole Filling

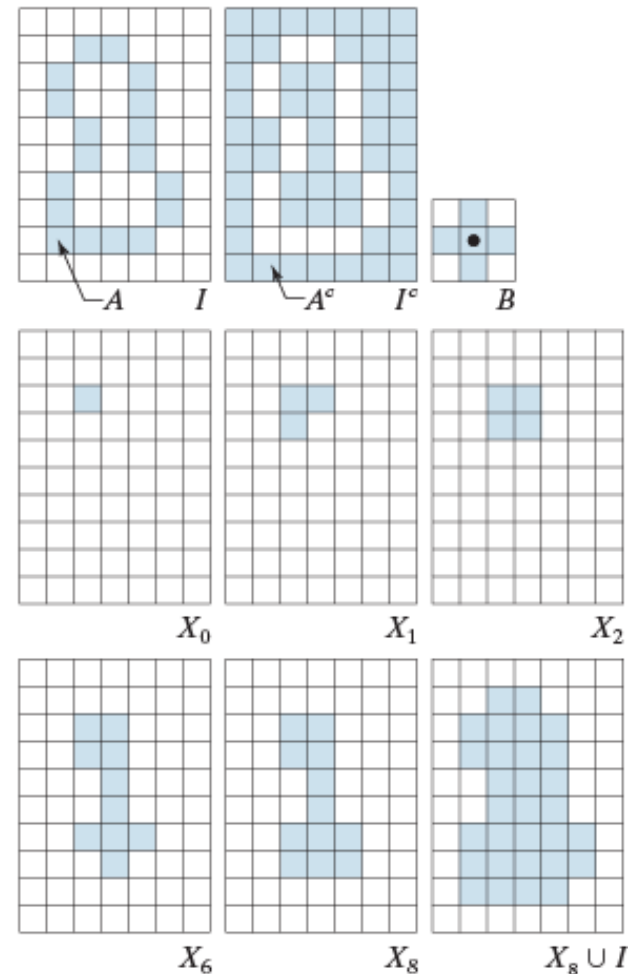
- Hole : A **background region** surrounded by connected **foreground pixels**
- A : a set of 8-connected pixels
- X_0 : Initial : starting with only one hole pixel=1

$$X_k = (X_{k-1} \oplus B) \cap A^c$$

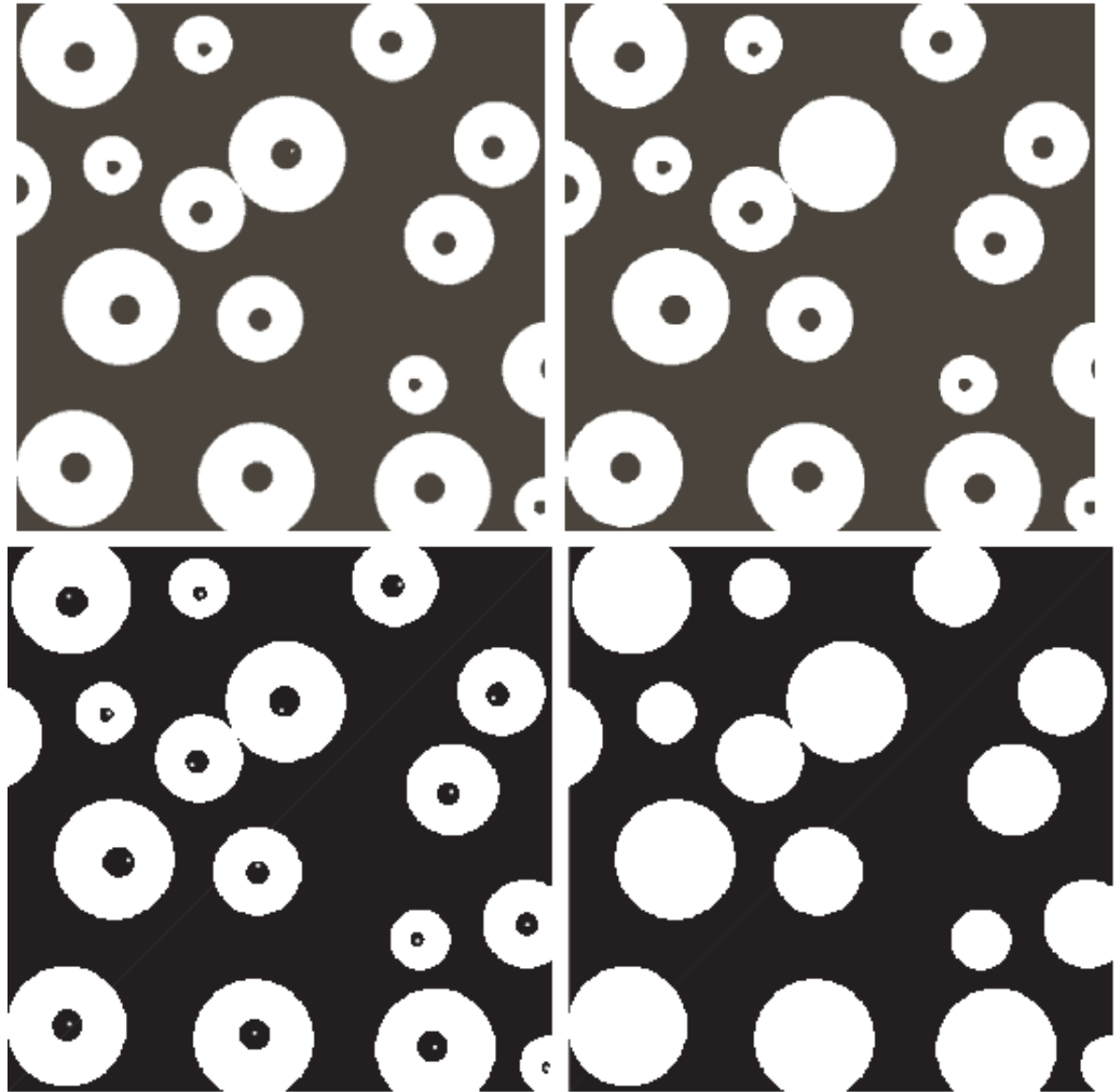
- B : symmetric structure element
- Interactively until $X_k = X_{k-1}$
- $\cap A^c$ limit the dilation inside the boundary

- **Warning** : If B is 8-connected...

Intersection: $f_{A \cap B}(x, y) = \min(f_A(x, y), f_B(x, y))$



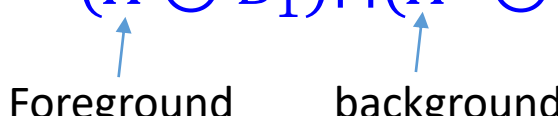
Hole Filling --- example



Hit-or-Miss Transform (HMT)

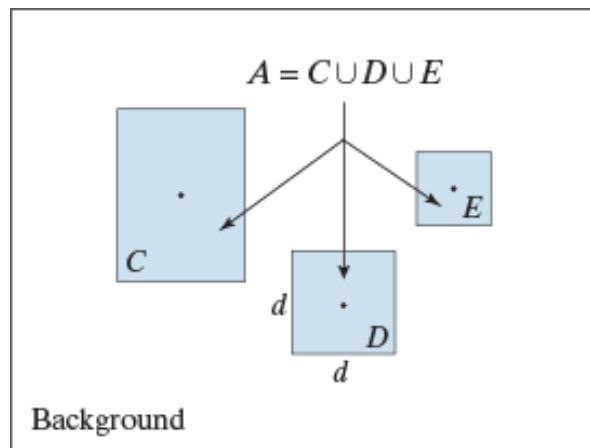
- Hit-or-Miss Transform
- Detect specific shape
- **Two** structuring elements
 - B_1 : detecting shapes in the foreground
 - B_2 : detecting shapes in the background

$$I \circledast B_{1,2} = (A \ominus B_1) \cap (A^c \ominus B_2)$$



HMT

$$I \circledast B_{1,2} = (A \ominus B_1) \cap (A^c \ominus B_2)$$



Image, I

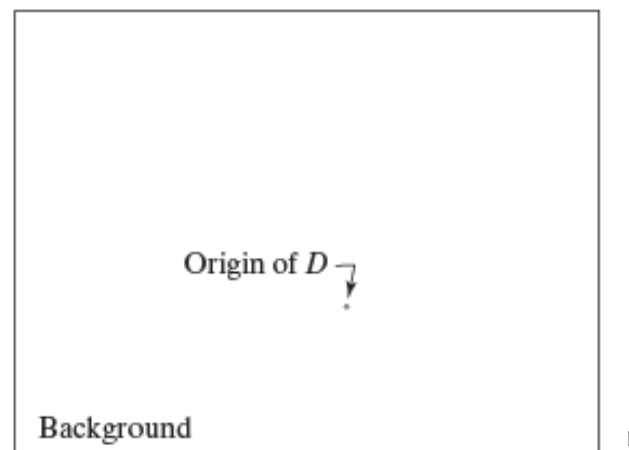
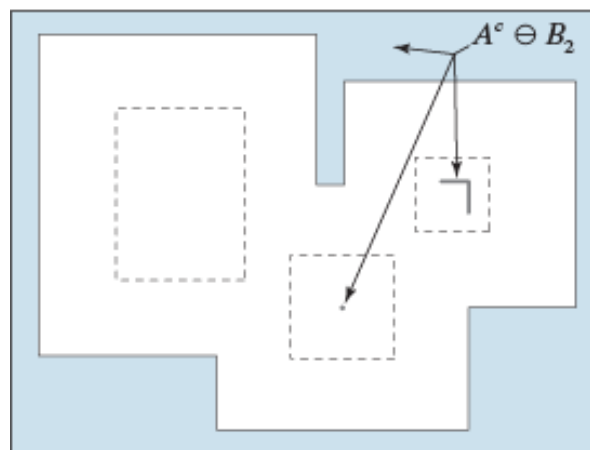
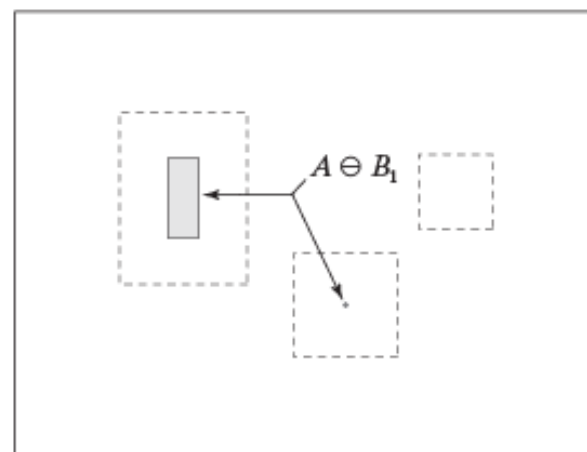
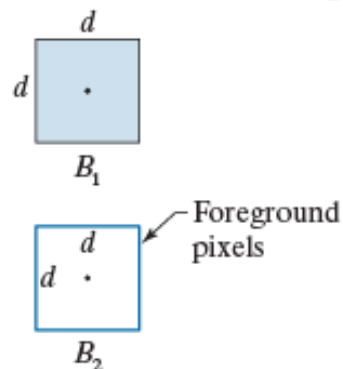
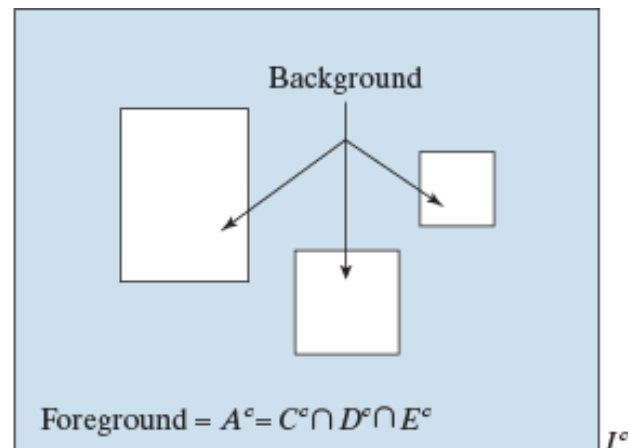
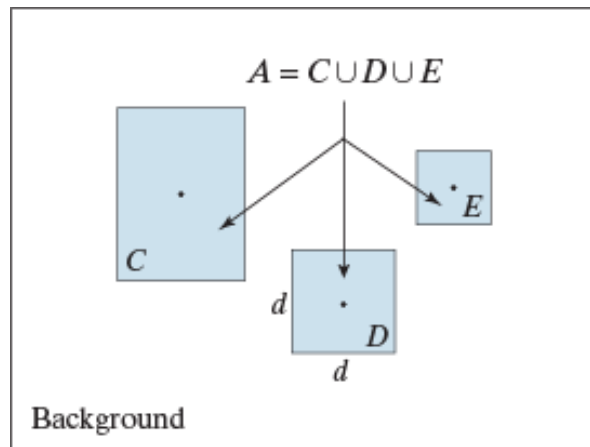


Image: $I \circledast B_{1,2} = A \ominus B_1 \cap A^c \ominus B_2$

HMT

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Image, I

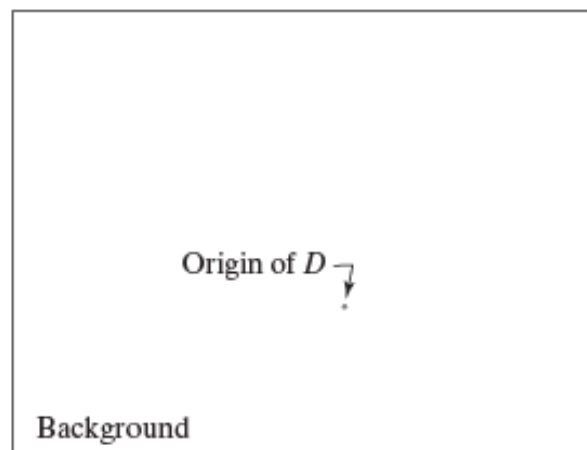
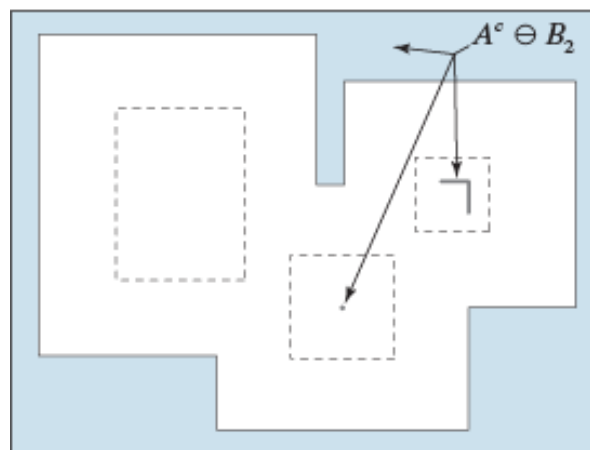
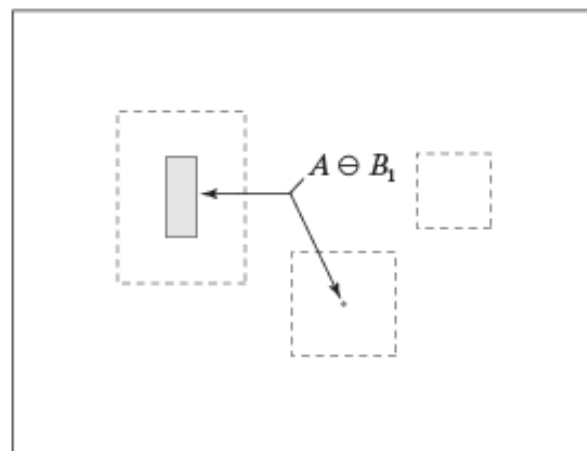
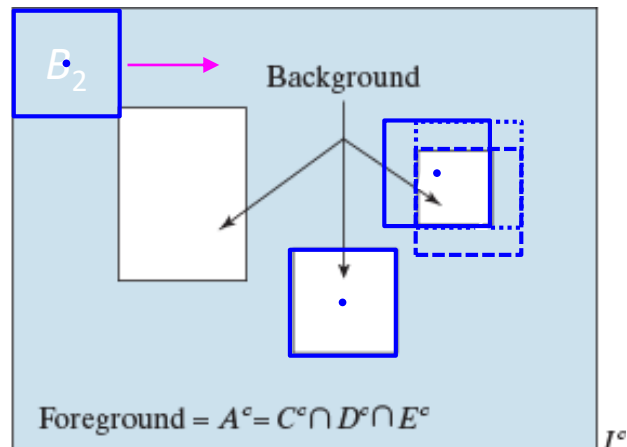
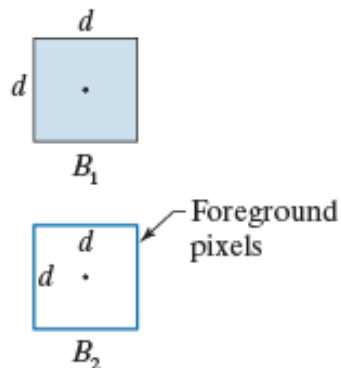


Image: $I \circledast B_{1,2} = A \ominus B_1 \cap A^c \ominus B_2$

Connected component labeling or Connected component analysis



Connect Component Labeling

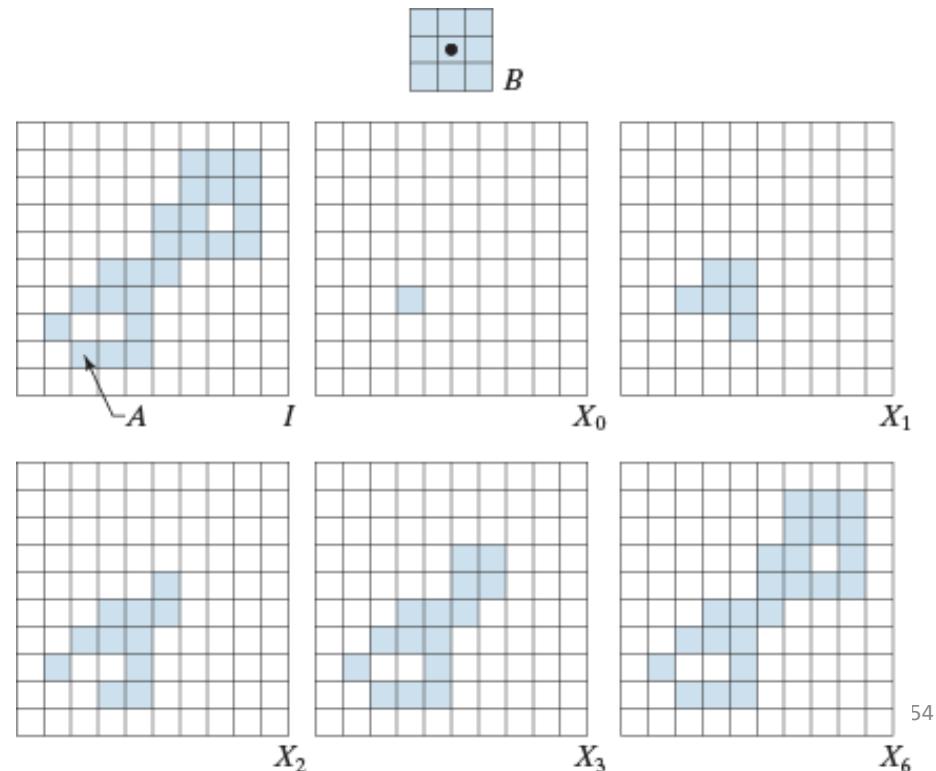
- Connected Component : A set of pixels which are connected (4-connected or 8-connected)
- A is a set of pixels containing a connected component
- X_0 : Initial: only one foreground pixel is 1 ◦

$$X_k = (X_{k-1} \oplus B) \cap A$$

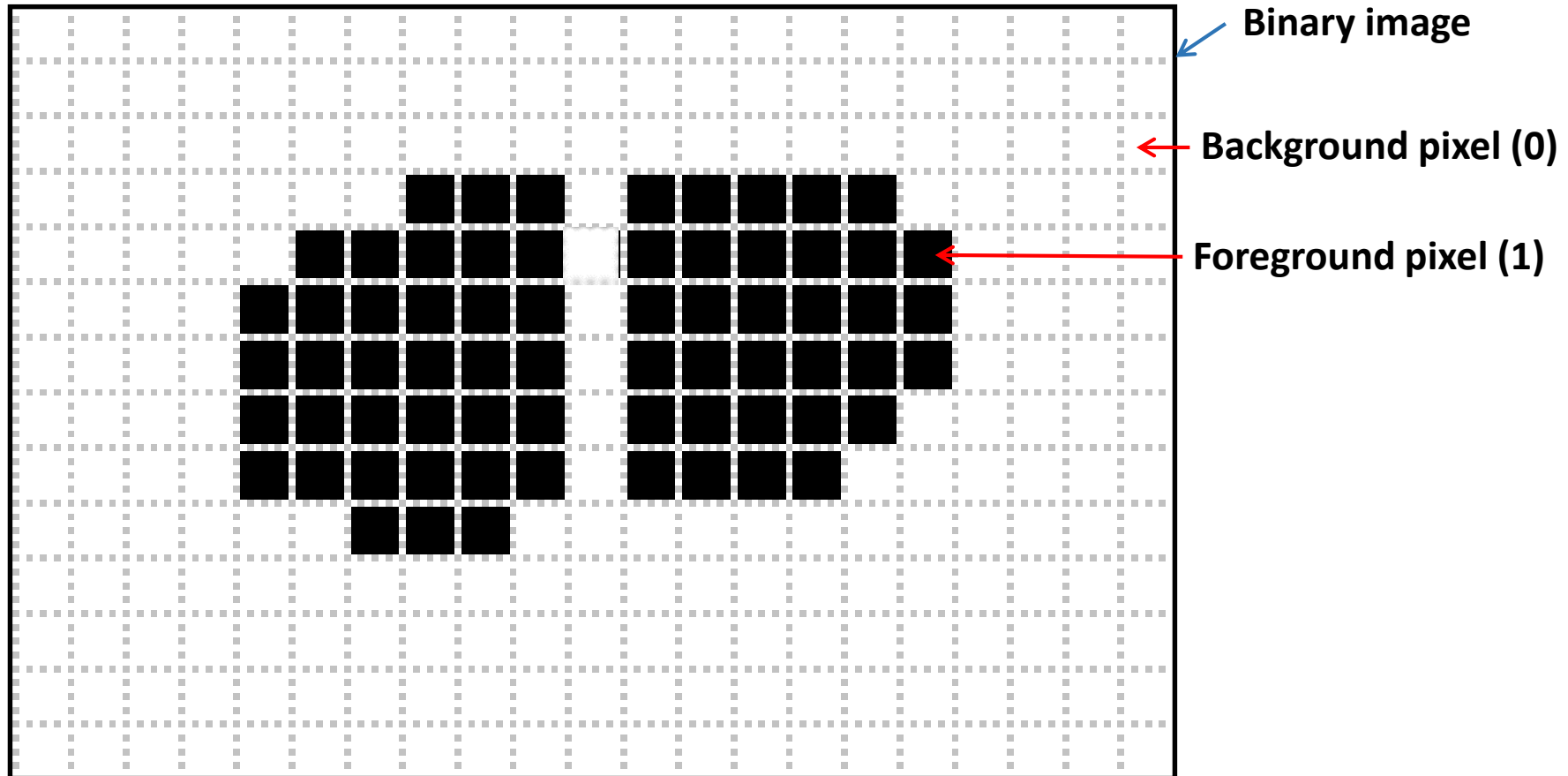
- B is symmetric S.E
- Iteratively until $X_k = X_{k-1}$
- Recall: *hole filling*

$$X_k = (X_{k-1} \oplus B) \cap A^c$$

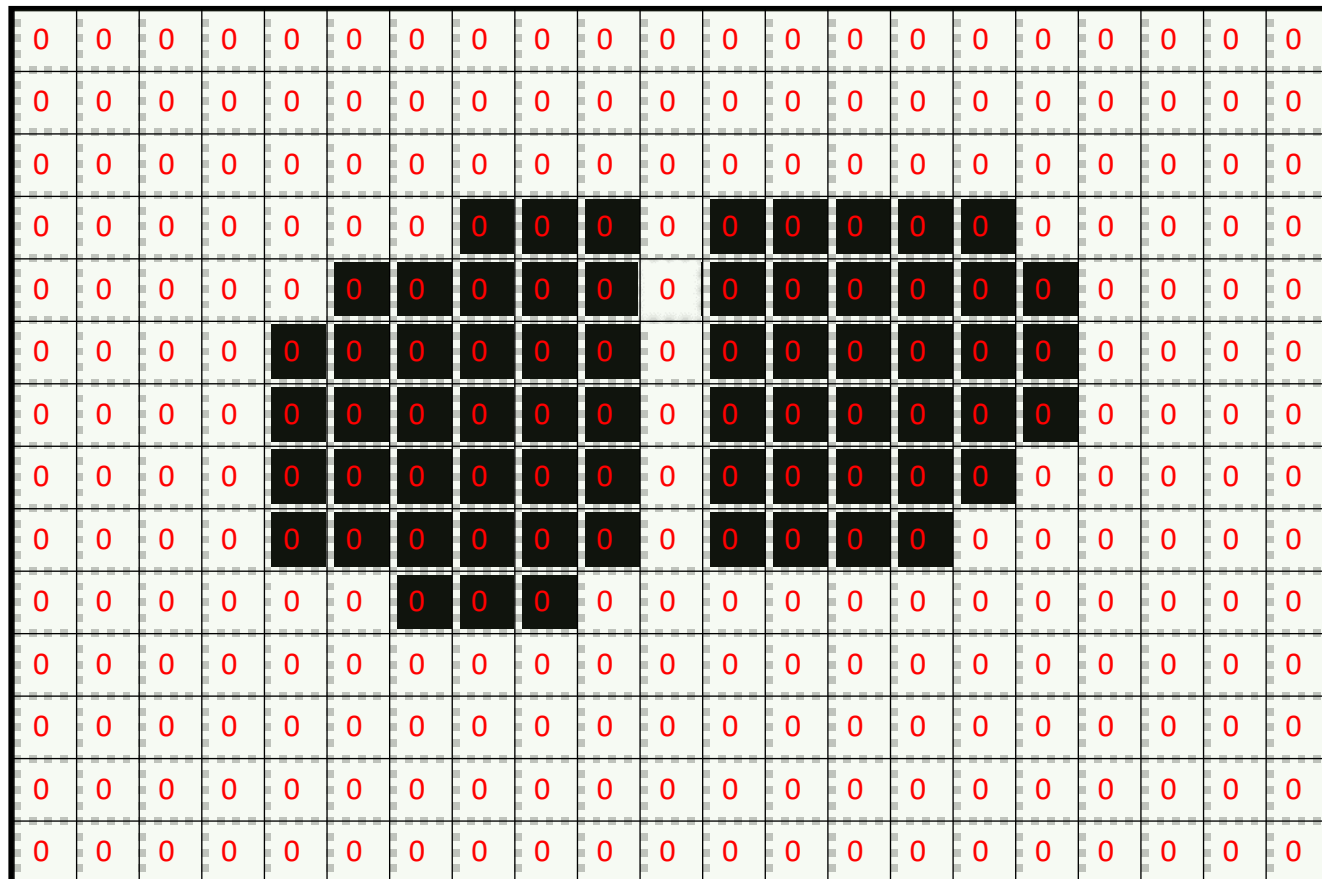
- C.C: foreground
hole filling: background



Connect Component Labeling



Connect Component Labeling



Mask

0: not labeled

1: background

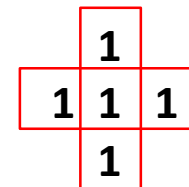
2: object #1

3: object #2

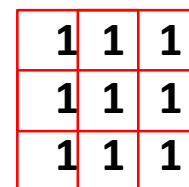
...

(need a counter)

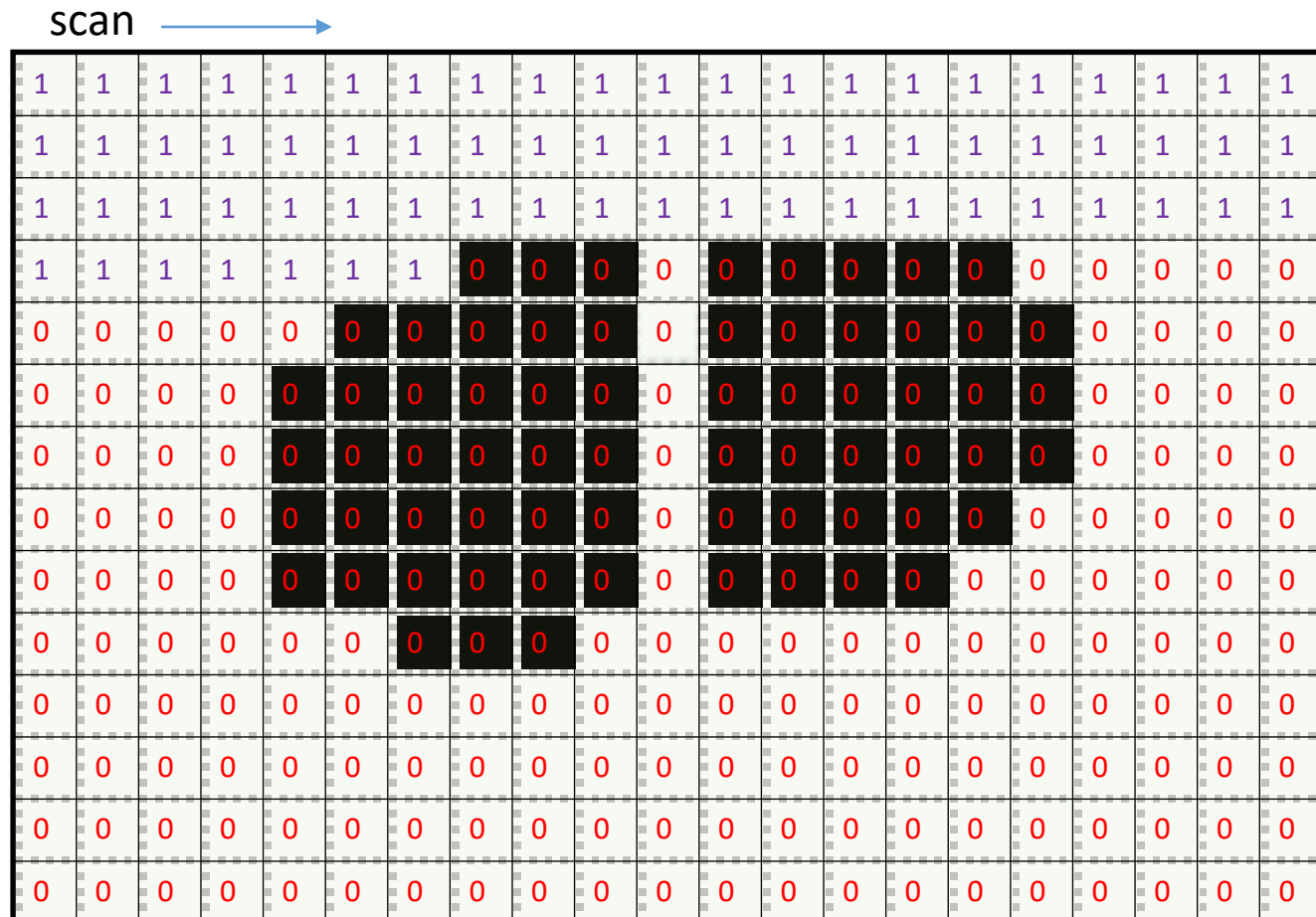
4-connected



8-connected



Connect Component Labeling



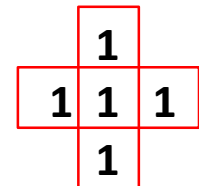
Mask

0: not labeled
 1: background
 2: object #1
 3: object #2

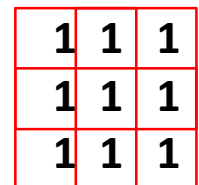
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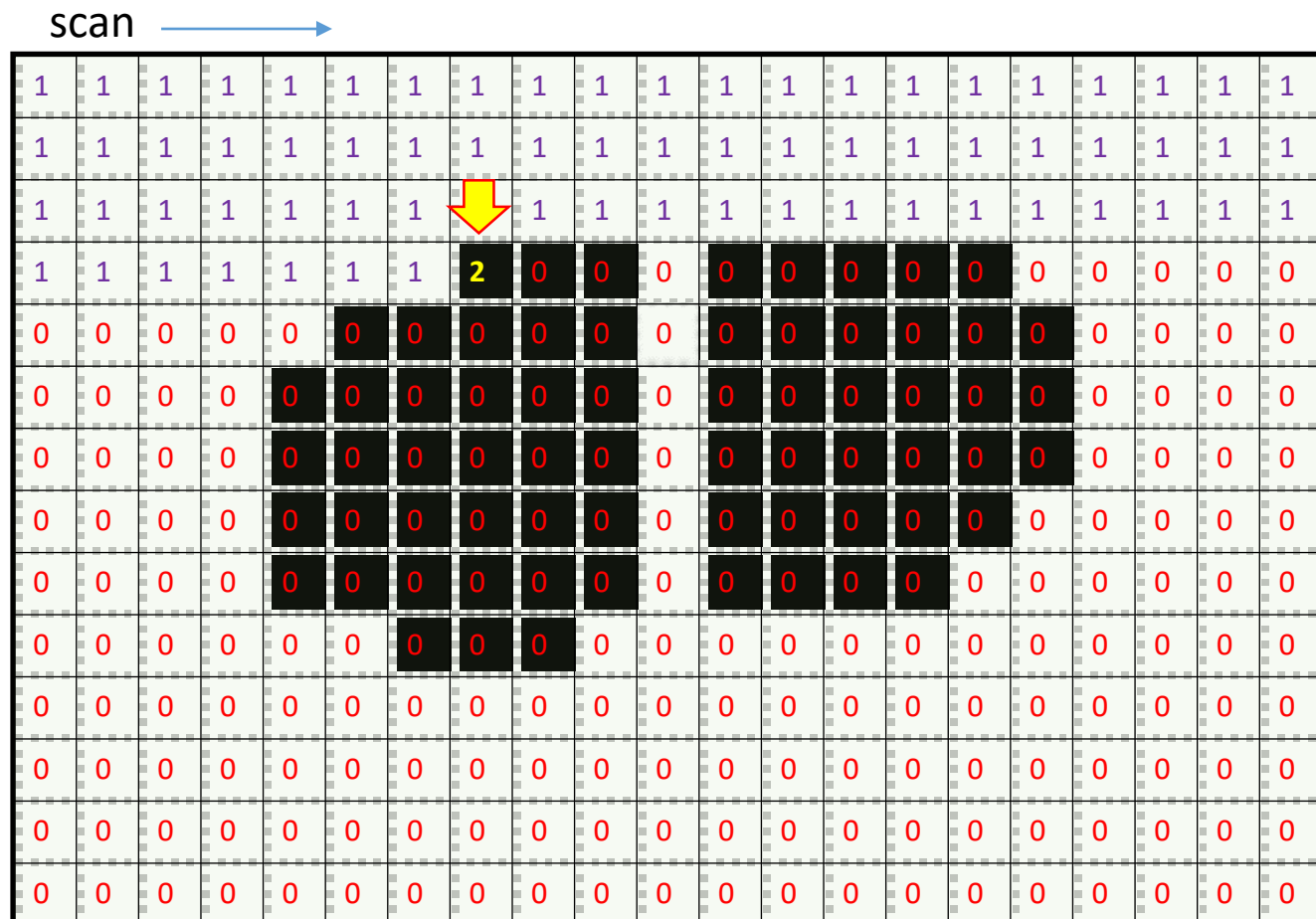
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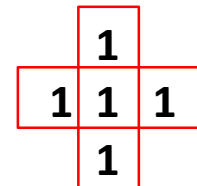
Mask

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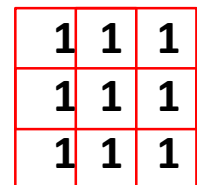
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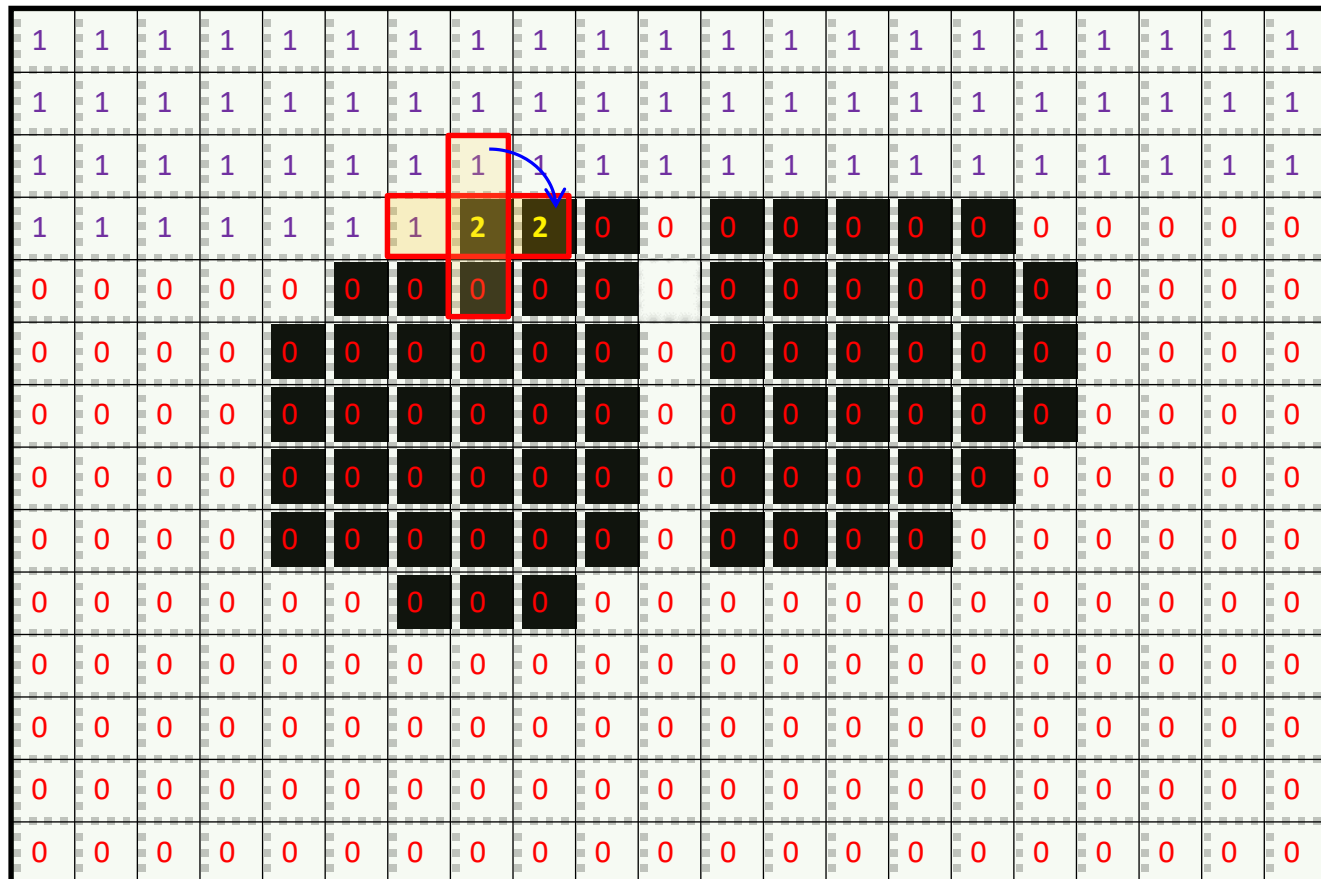
4-connected



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Connect Component Labeling



Search order: up, right, down, left

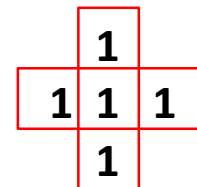
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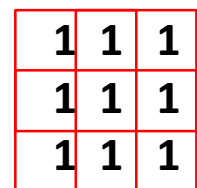
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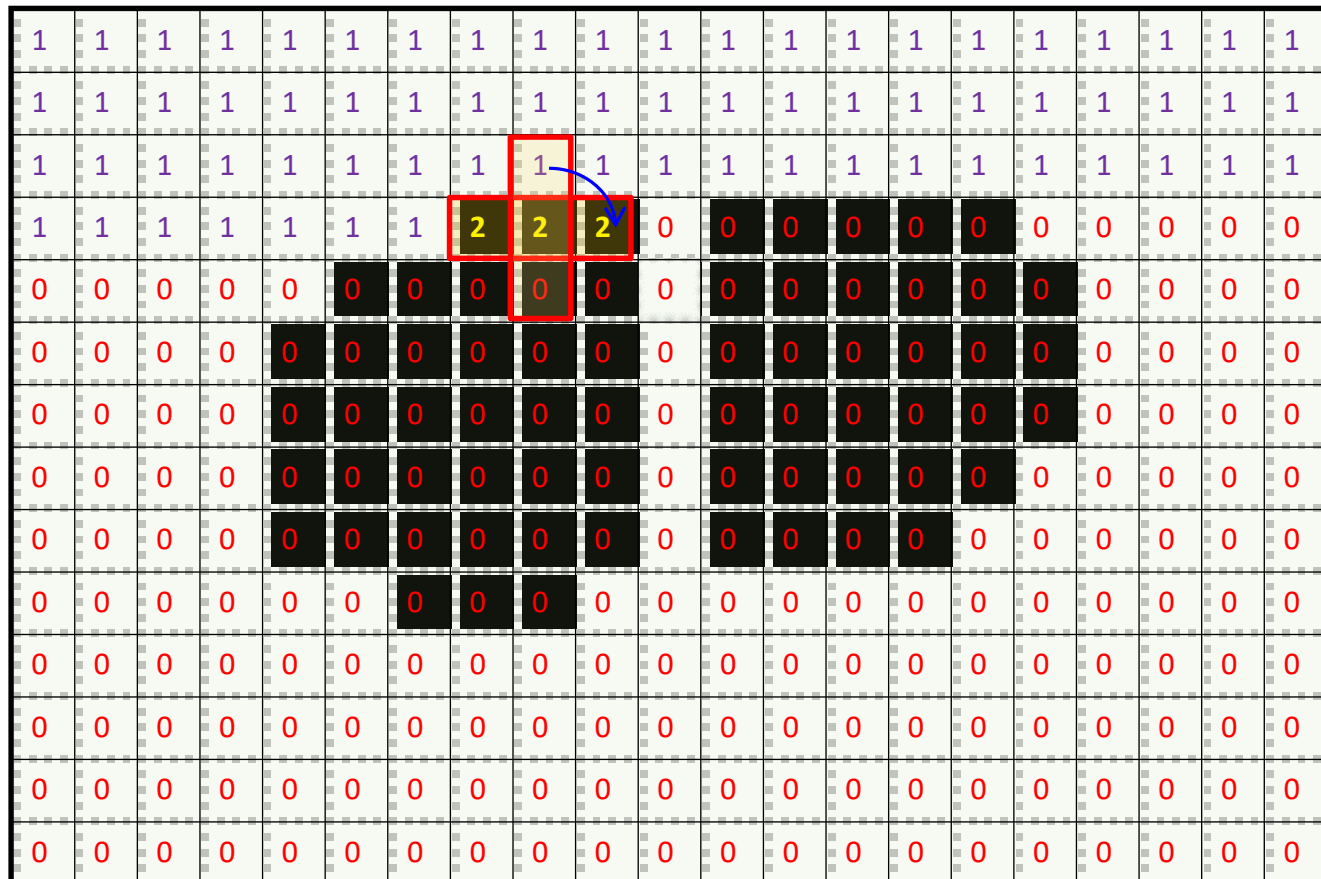
4-connected



8-connected



Connect Component Labeling



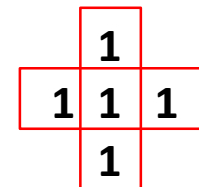
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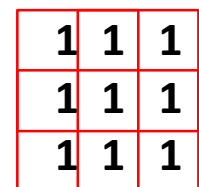
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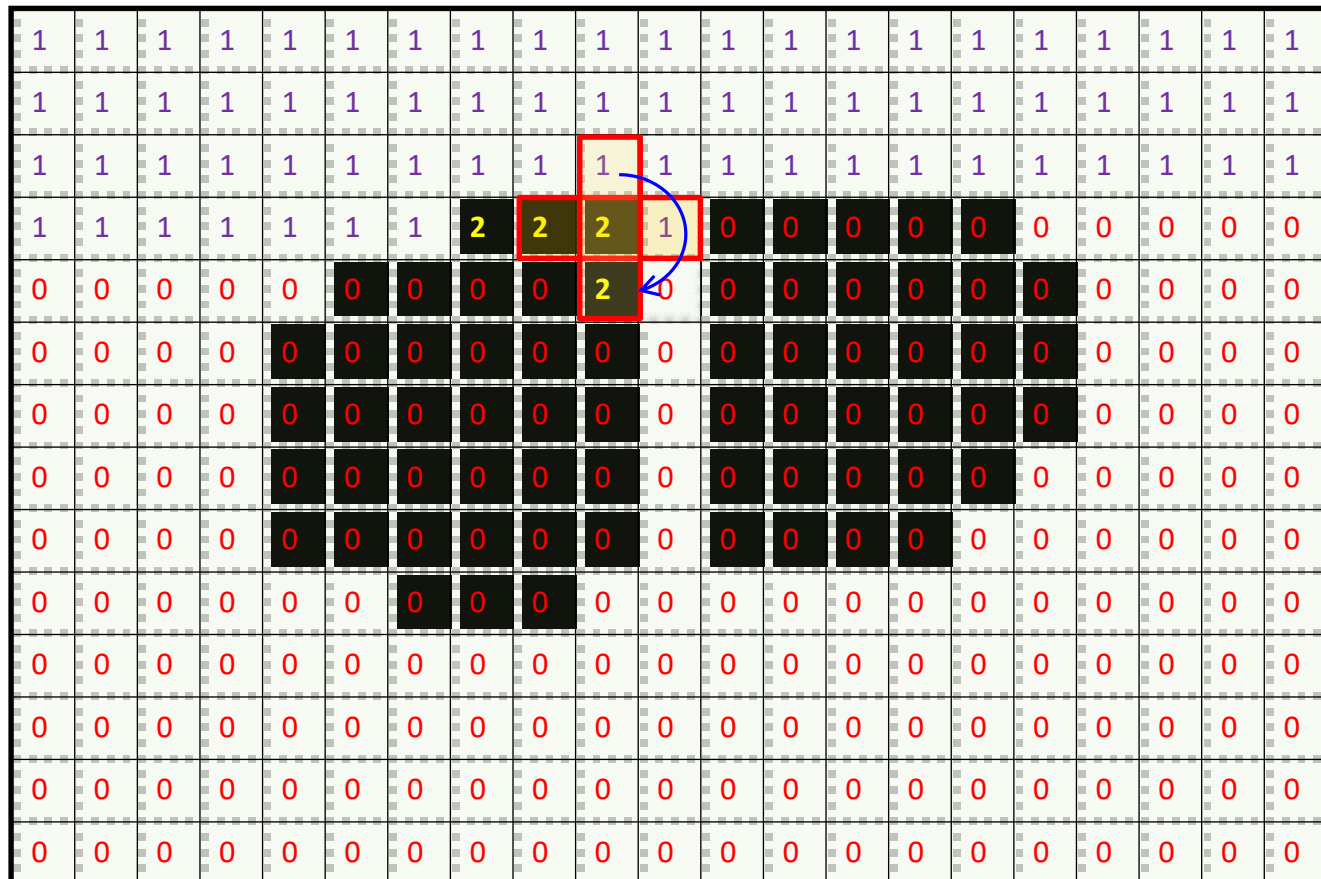


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Connect Component Labeling



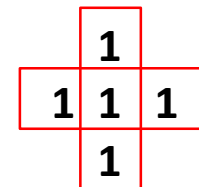
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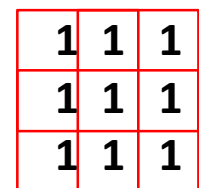
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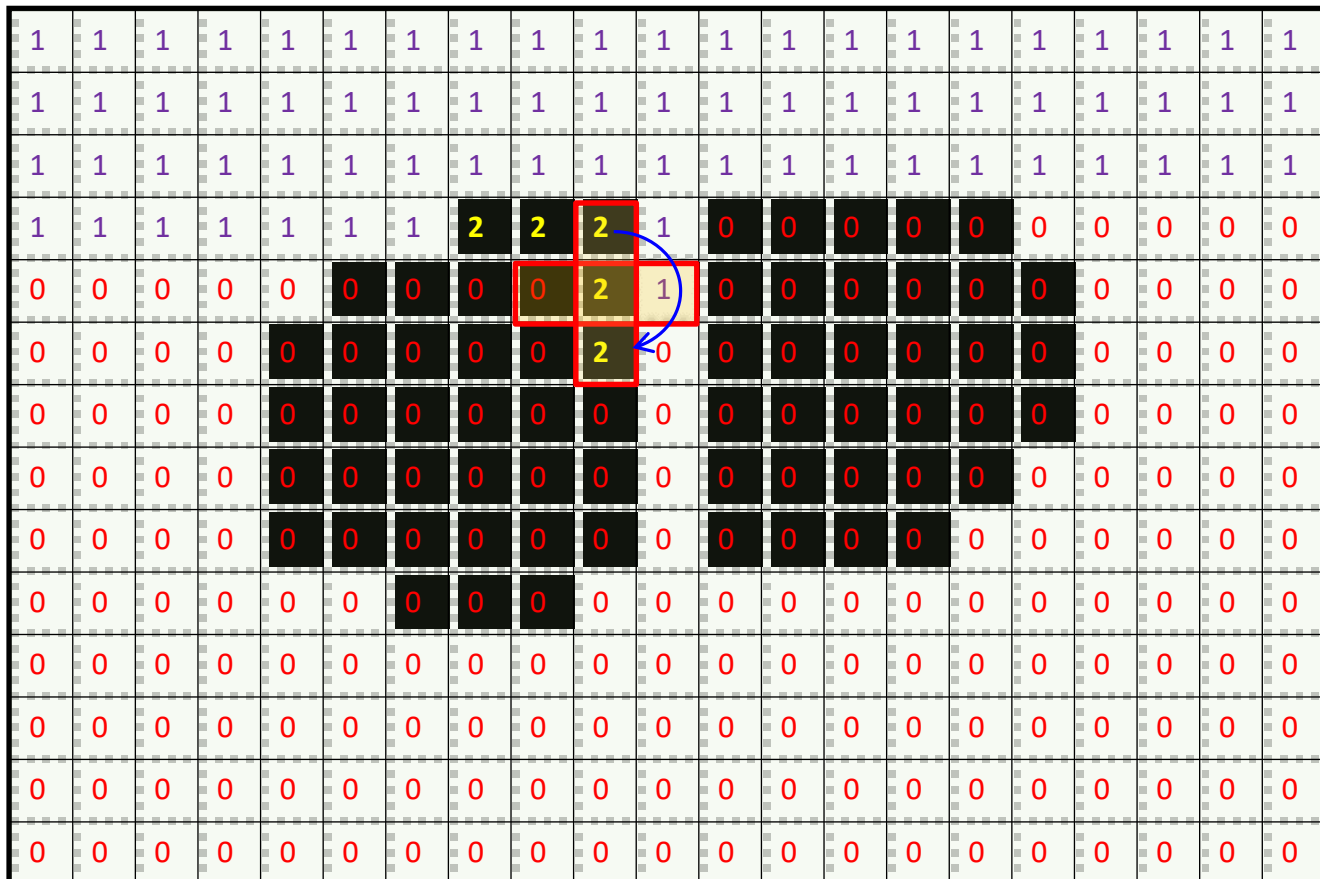


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Connect Component Labeling



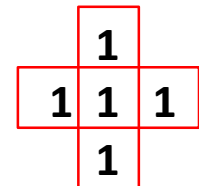
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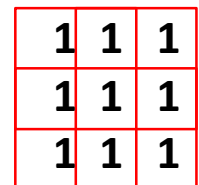
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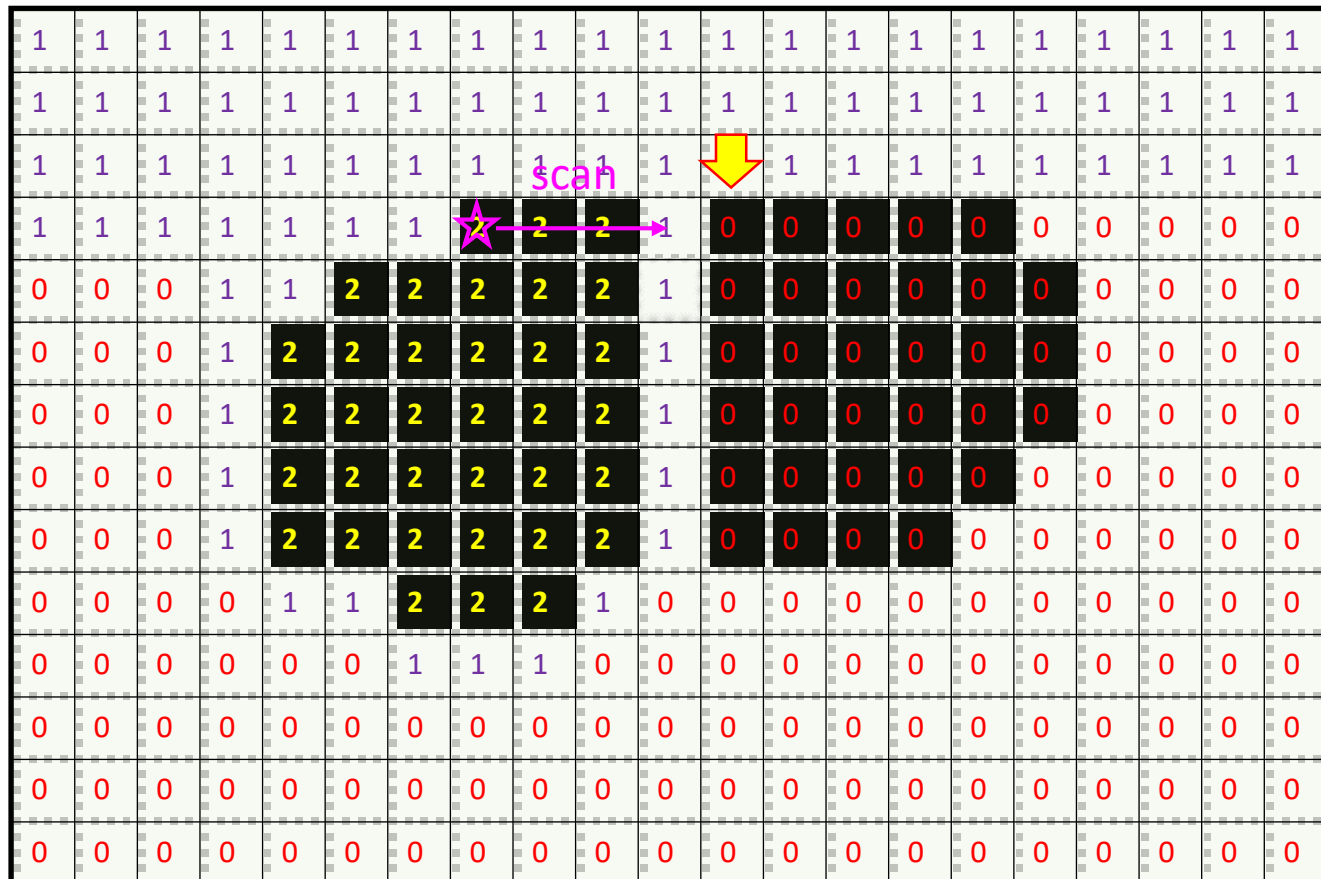


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Connect Component Labeling



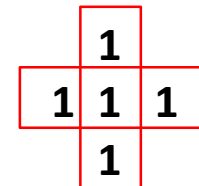
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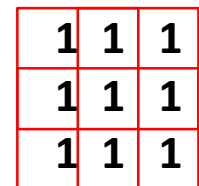
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4-connected

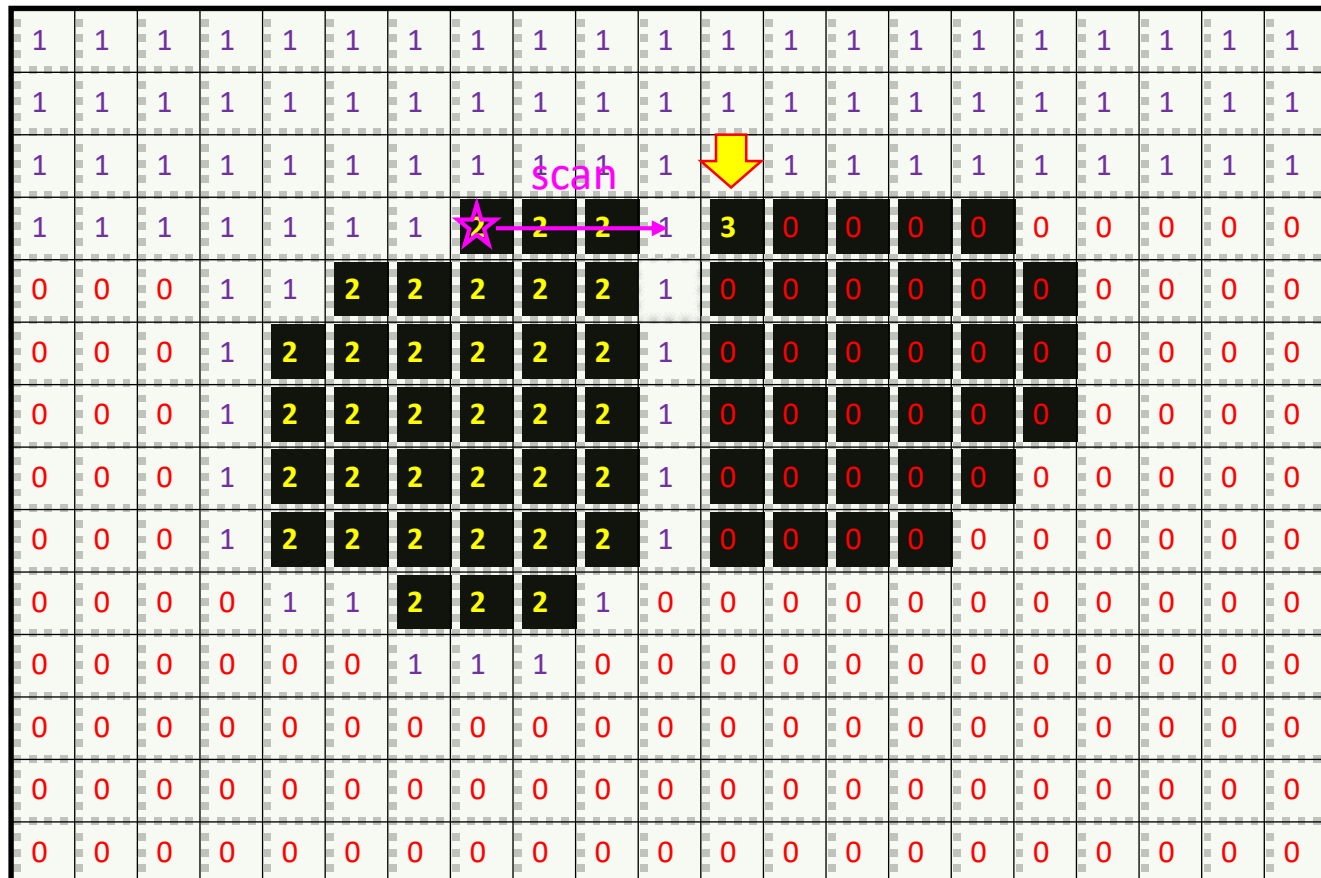


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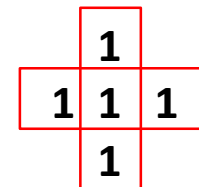
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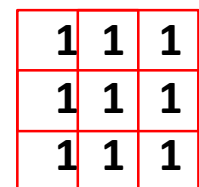
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(need a counter)

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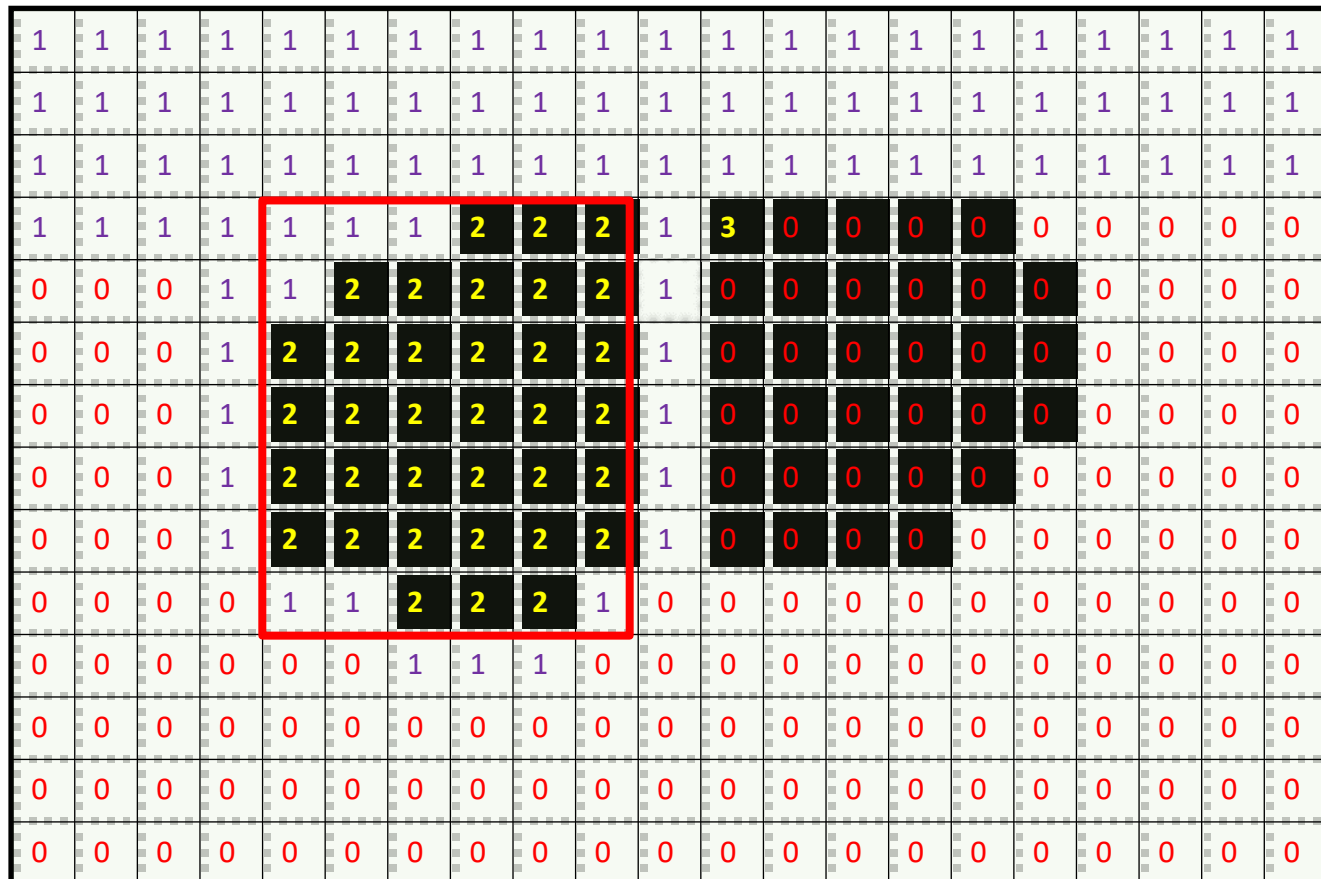


8-connected



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Bounding Box



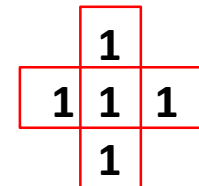
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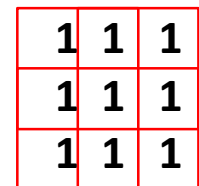
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4-connected

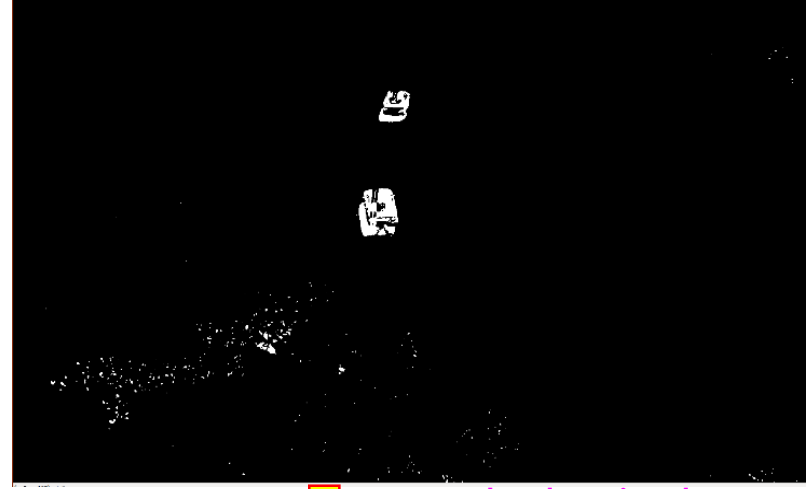


8-connected



When performing connected component labelling
 Record the \max_x , \max_y , \min_x , \min_y for each object

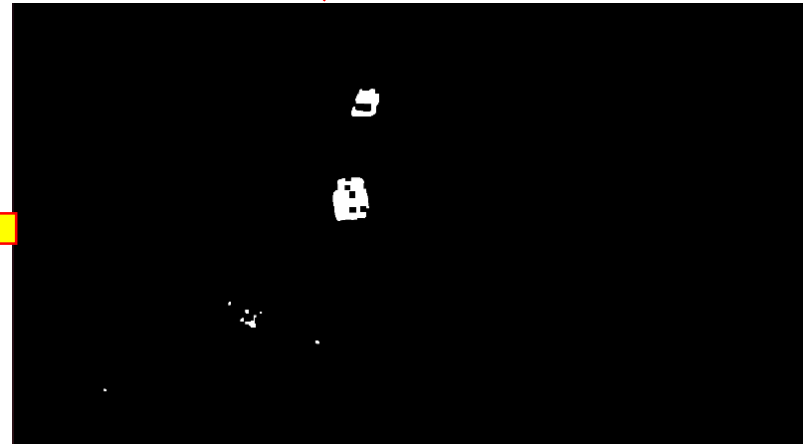
Example



↓ Morphological operation



Bounding box



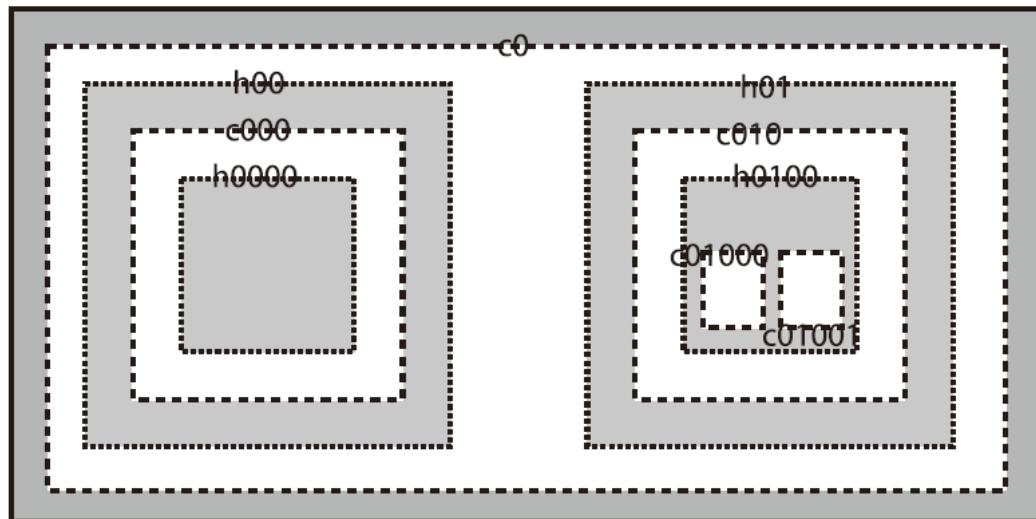
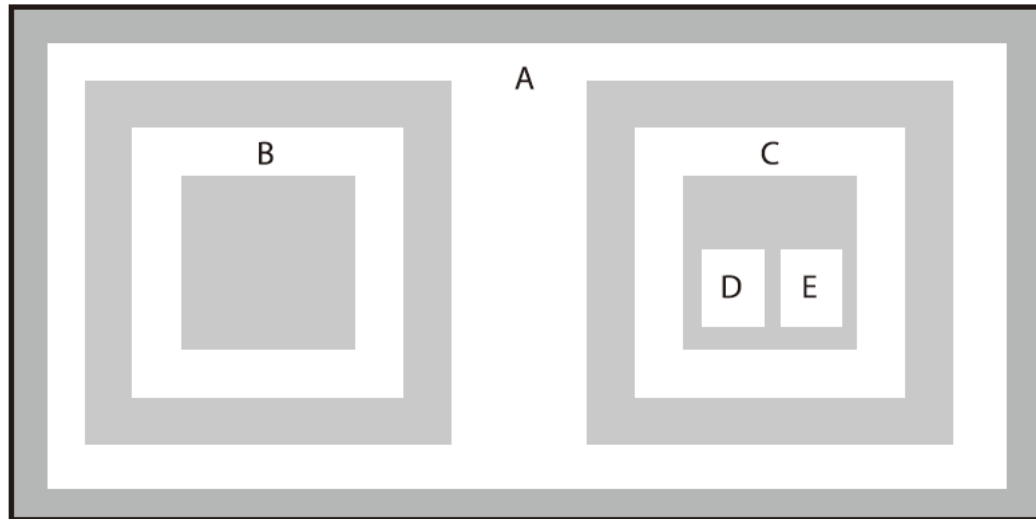
OpenCV Functions

- void **findContours** (InputOutputArray image, OutputArrayOfArrays contours, OutputArray hierarchy, int mode, int method, Point offset=Point())
- void **drawContours** (InputOutputArray image, InputArrayOfArrays contours, int contourIdx, const Scalar& color, int thickness=1, int lineType=8, InputArray hierarchy=noArray(), int maxLevel=INT_MAX, Point offset=Point())
- Rect **boundingRect** (InputArray **points**)

OpenCV -- findContours

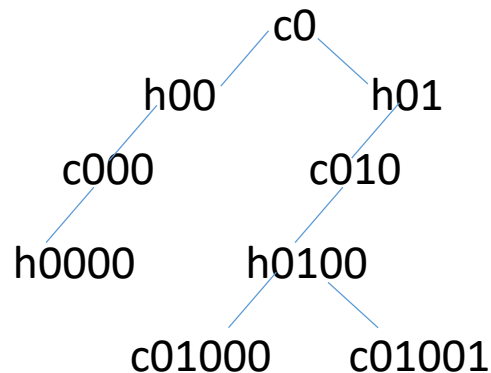
- void **findContours** (InputOutputArray **image**, OutputArrayOfArrays **contours**, OutputArray **hierarchy**, int **mode**, int **method**, Point **offset**=Point())
 - **image**: Source, an 8-bit single-channel image.
 - Non-zero pixels are treated as 1's.
 - Zero pixels remain 0's, so the image is treated as **binary**.
 - **contours**: Detected contours.
 - Each contour is stored as a **vector of points**.
 - **hierarchy**: **Optional** output vector, containing information about the image topology.
 - It has as many elements as the **number of contours**.
 - **mode**: Contour retrieval mode
 - **method**: Contour approximation method

OpenCV -- findContours



Contour hierarchy

- White regions on a black background
- **c**: contour; **h**: hole
- Contours (dashed lines): *exterior boundaries*
- Contours (dotted lines): *interior boundaries*
- *Contour tree*:



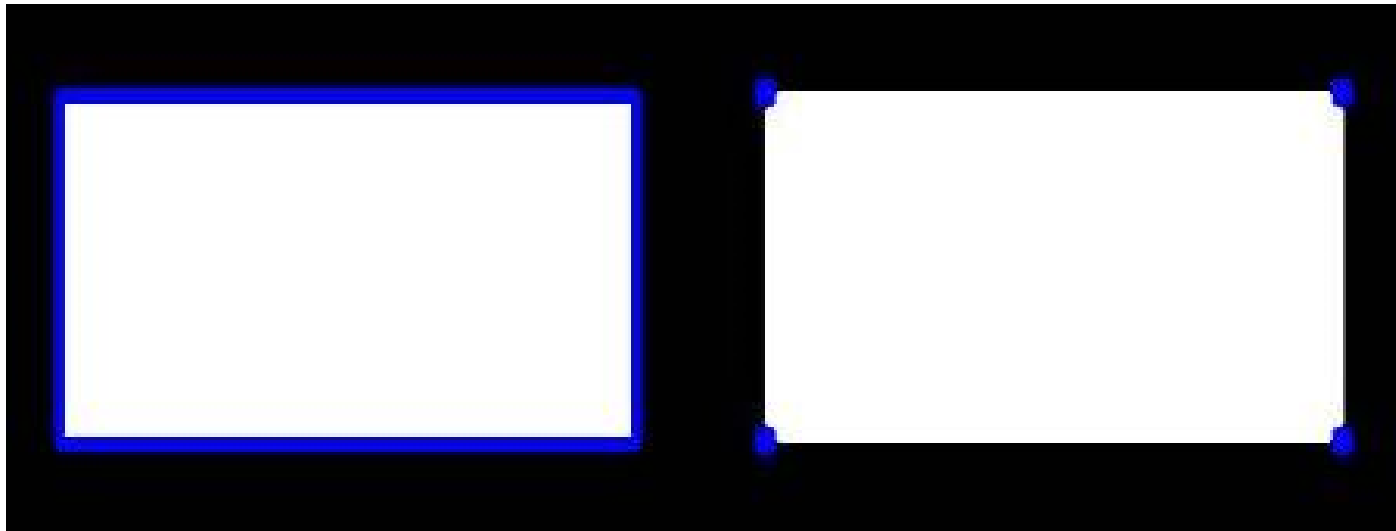
OpenCV -- findContours

- void **findContours** (InputOutputArray **image**, OutputArrayOfArrays **contours**, OutputArray **hierarchy**, int **mode**, int **method**, Point **offset**=Point())
- **mode**
 - CV_RETR_EXTERNAL：只取最外層的輪廓。
 - CV_RETR_LIST：取得所有輪廓，不建立階層(hierarchy)。
 - CV_RETR_CCOMP：取得所有輪廓，儲存成兩層的階層，首階層為物件外圍，第二階層為內部空心部分的輪廓，如果更內部有其餘物件，包含於首階層。
 - CV_RETR_TREE：取得所有輪廓，以全階層的方式儲存。

Enumerator	
RETR_EXTERNAL Python: cv.RETR_EXTERNAL	retrieves only the extreme outer contours. It sets <code>hierarchy[i][2]=hierarchy[i][3]=-1</code> for all the contours.
RETR_LIST Python: cv.RETR_LIST	retrieves all of the contours without establishing any hierarchical relationships.
RETR_CCOMP Python: cv.RETR_CCOMP	retrieves all of the contours and organizes them into a two-level hierarchy. At the top level, there are external boundaries of the components. At the second level, there are boundaries of the holes. If there is another contour inside a hole of a connected component, it is still put at the top level.
RETR_TREE Python: cv.RETR_TREE	retrieves all of the contours and reconstructs a full hierarchy of nested contours.

- **method :**

- CV_CHAIN_APPROX_NONE : stores absolutely all the contour points.
- CV_CHAIN_APPROX_SIMPLE : compresses horizontal, vertical, and diagonal segments and leaves only their end points



Try it!

```
findContours( image, contours, hierarchy, CV_RETR_EXTERNAL, CV_CHAIN_APPROX_NONE);72
```


OpenCV -- drawContours

- void **drawContours** (InputOutputArray **image**, InputArrayOfArrays **contours**, int **contourIdx**, const Scalar& **color**, int **thickness**=1, int **lineType**=8, InputArray **hierarchy**=noArray(), int **maxLevel**=INT_MAX, Point **offset**=Point())
 - **image** – Destination image.
 - **contours** – All the input contours.
 - Each contour is stored as a **point vector**.
 - **contourIdx** – Parameter indicating a contour **to draw**.
If it is **negative**, all the contours are drawn.
 - **color** – Color of the contours.
 - **thickness** – Thickness of lines the contours are drawn with. If it is negative (e.g., **thickness**=CV_FILLED), the contour interiors are drawn.
 - **lineType** – Line connectivity. See **line()** for details.

OpenCV -- drawContours

- void **drawContours** (InputOutputArray **image**, InputArrayOfArrays **contours**, int **contourIdx**, const Scalar& **color**, int **thickness**=1, int **lineType**=8, InputArray **hierarchy**=noArray(), int **maxLevel**=INT_MAX, Point **offset**=Point())

– **hierarchy** – Optional information about hierarchy.

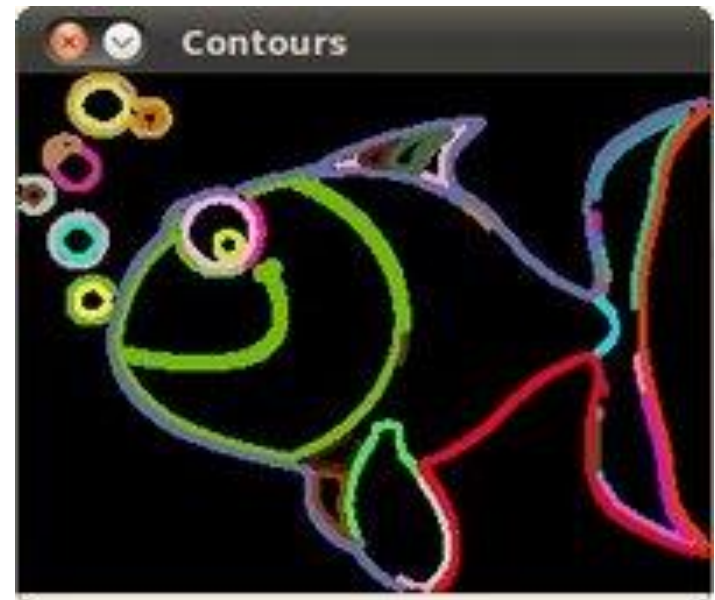
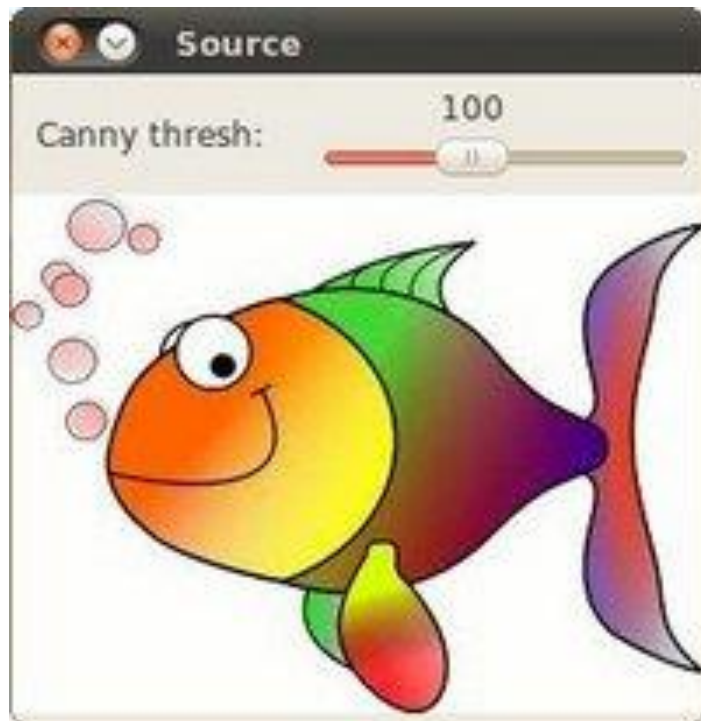
- It is only needed if you want to draw only some of the contours (see **maxLevel**).

– **maxLevel** – Maximal level for drawn contours.

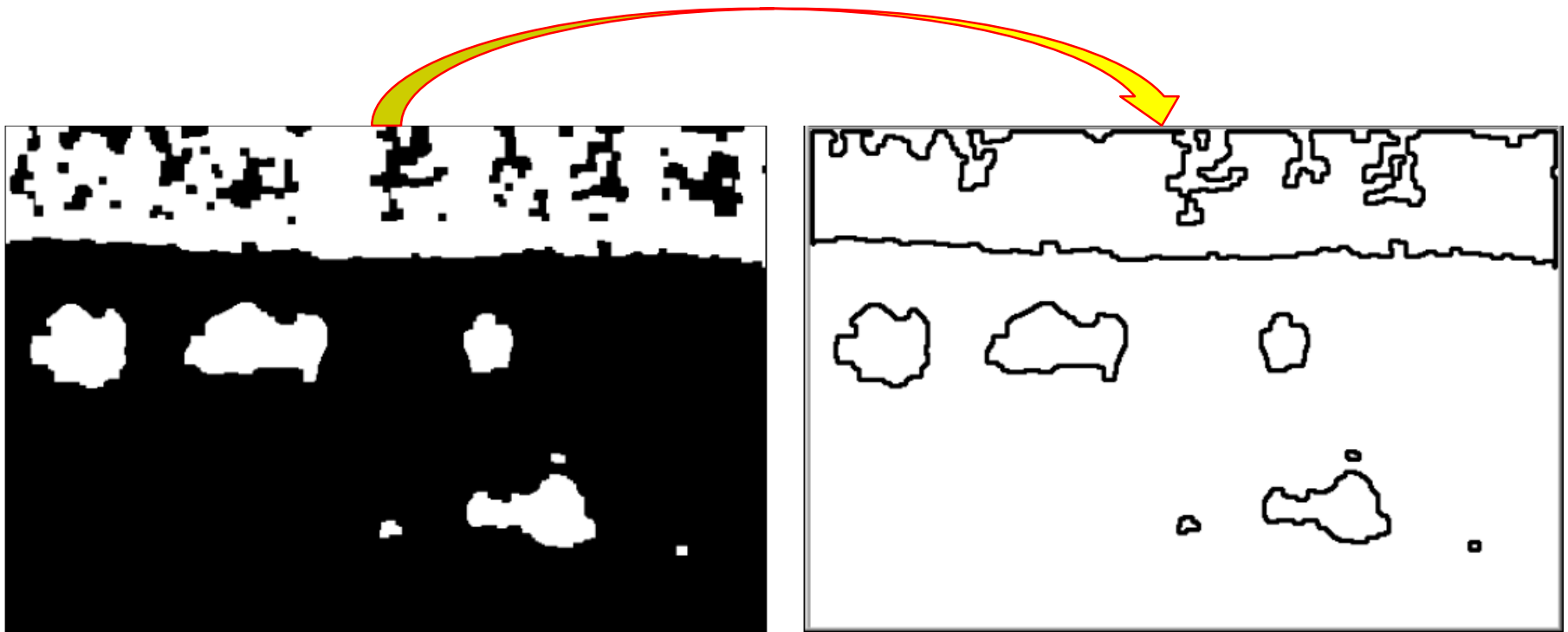
- If it is 0, only the specified contour (**contourIdx**) is drawn.
- If it is 1, the function draws the contour(s) and all the nested contours.
- If it is 2, the function draws the contours, all the nested contours, all the nested-to-nested contours, and so on.
- This parameter is only taken into account when there is **hierarchy available**.

OpenCV -- findContours

- https://docs.opencv.org/3.4/df/d0d/tutorial_find_contours.html



OpenCV -- findContours



Example

```
void findContours (InputOutputArray image,  
OutputArrayOfArrays contours, OutputArray  
hierarchy, int mode, int method, Point offset=Point())
```

```
vector<vector<Point>> contours;
```

```
vector<Vec4i> hierarchy;
```

```
RNG rng(12345); // random number generator
```

```
findContours (src, contours, hierarchy, CV_RETR_TREE,  
CV_CHAIN_APPROX_NONE);
```

取得所有輪廓，以
全階層的方式儲存

```
for(int i = 0; i<contours.size(); i++){
```

儲存所有輪廓點

```
Scalar color = Scalar( rng.uniform(0, 255), rng.uniform(0, 255), 255);
```

```
drawContours(dst, contours, i, color, 2, 8, hierarchy);
```

contourIdx

thickness, lineType

```
}
```

```
imshow("origin", src);
```

```
imshow("result", dst);
```

```
void drawContours (InputOutputArray image,  
InputArrayOfArrays contours, int contourIdx,  
const Scalar& color, int thickness=1, int  
lineType=8, InputArray hierarchy=noArray(), int  
maxLevel=INT_MAX, Point offset=Point())
```

OpenCV -- boundingRect

- Rect **boundingRect**(InputArray **points**)

→ Rect b-box = boundingRect(contours[i]);

- Draw a rectangle

1. void **rectangle**(Mat& **img**, Rect **rec**, const Scalar& **color**, int **thickness**=1, int **lineType**=8, int **shift**=0)

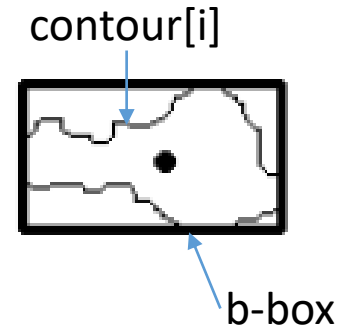
→ rectangle(dst, b-box, Scalar(0,0,255),2);

2. void **rectangle**(Mat& **img**, Point **pt1**, Point **pt2**, const Scalar& **color**, int **thickness**=1, int **lineType**=8, int **shift**=0)

→ rectangle(dst, Point(b-box.x, b-box.y),

Point((b-box.x+ b-box.width), (b-box.y+ b-box.height)), Scalar(0,0,255),2);

(**shift**: Number of fractional bits in the point coordinates.) 110011. -->shift =0
1100.11 -->shift =2

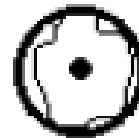


Shape descriptors

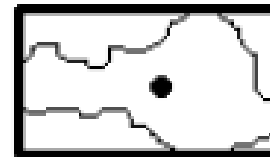
Polygonal approximation



Convex hull



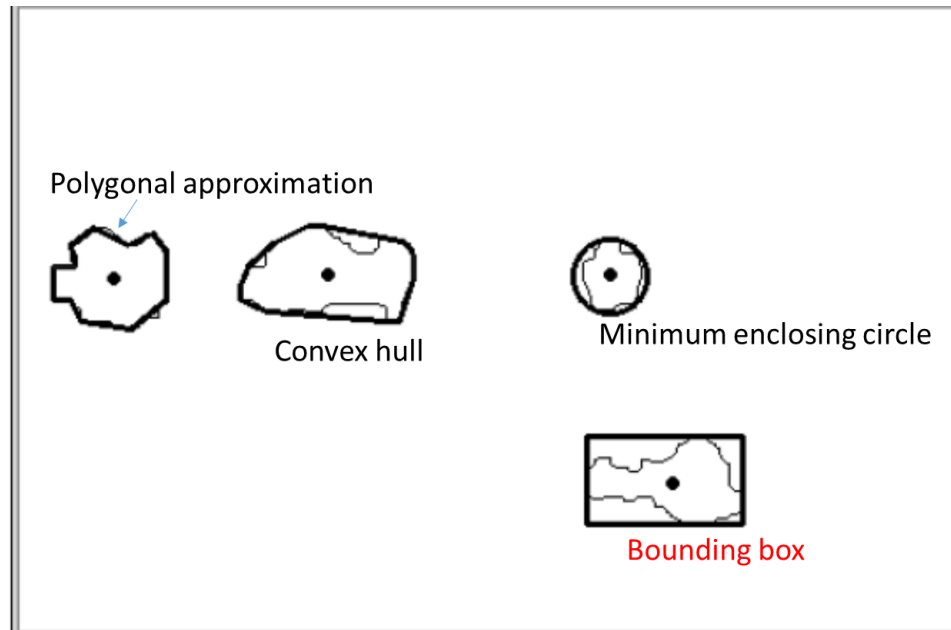
Minimum enclosing circle



Bounding box

OpenCV Functions

- void **approxPolyDP**(InputArray **curve**, OutputArray **approxCurve**, double **epsilon**, bool **closed**)
- void **convexHull**(InputArray **points**, OutputArray **hull**, bool **clockwise**=false, bool **returnPoints**=true)
- void **minEnclosingCircle** (InputArray **points**, Point2f& **center**, float& **radius**)



OpenCV Functions



- void **approxPolyDP** (InputArray **curve**, OutputArray **approxCurve**, double **epsilon**, bool **closed**)
- **curve** – Input vector of 2D points
- **approxCurve** – Result of the approximation.
The type should match the type of the input curve.
- **epsilon** – Parameter specifying the [approximation accuracy](#).
This is the [maximum distance](#) between the original curve and its approximation.
- **closed** – If true, the approximated curve is closed (its first and last vertices are connected). Otherwise, it is not closed.

OpenCV Functions



- void **convexHull** (InputArray **points**, OutputArray **hull**, bool **clockwise**=false, bool **returnPoints**=true)

- **points** – Input 2D point set, stored in **std::vector** or **Mat**.
- **hull** – Output convex hull.

It is either an integer vector of indices or vector of points.

- In the first case, the hull elements are **0-based** indices of the convex hull points in the original array (since the set of convex hull points is a **subset of the original point set**). →從原本的點中找出幾個來表示
- In the second case, hull elements are the **convex hull points** themselves.

- **clockwise** – Orientation flag. If it is true, the output convex hull is oriented clockwise.

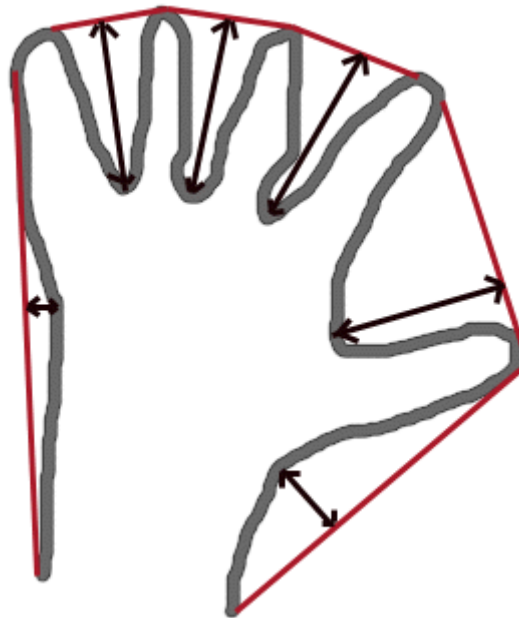
- **returnPoints** – Operation flag.

- In case of a **matrix**, when the flag is **true**, the function returns **convex hull points**. Otherwise, it returns **indices** of the convex hull points.
- When the output array is **std::vector**, the flag is ignored.

OpenCV Functions



- void **convexHull** (InputArray **points**, OutputArray **hull**,
bool **clockwise**=false, bool **returnPoints**=true)

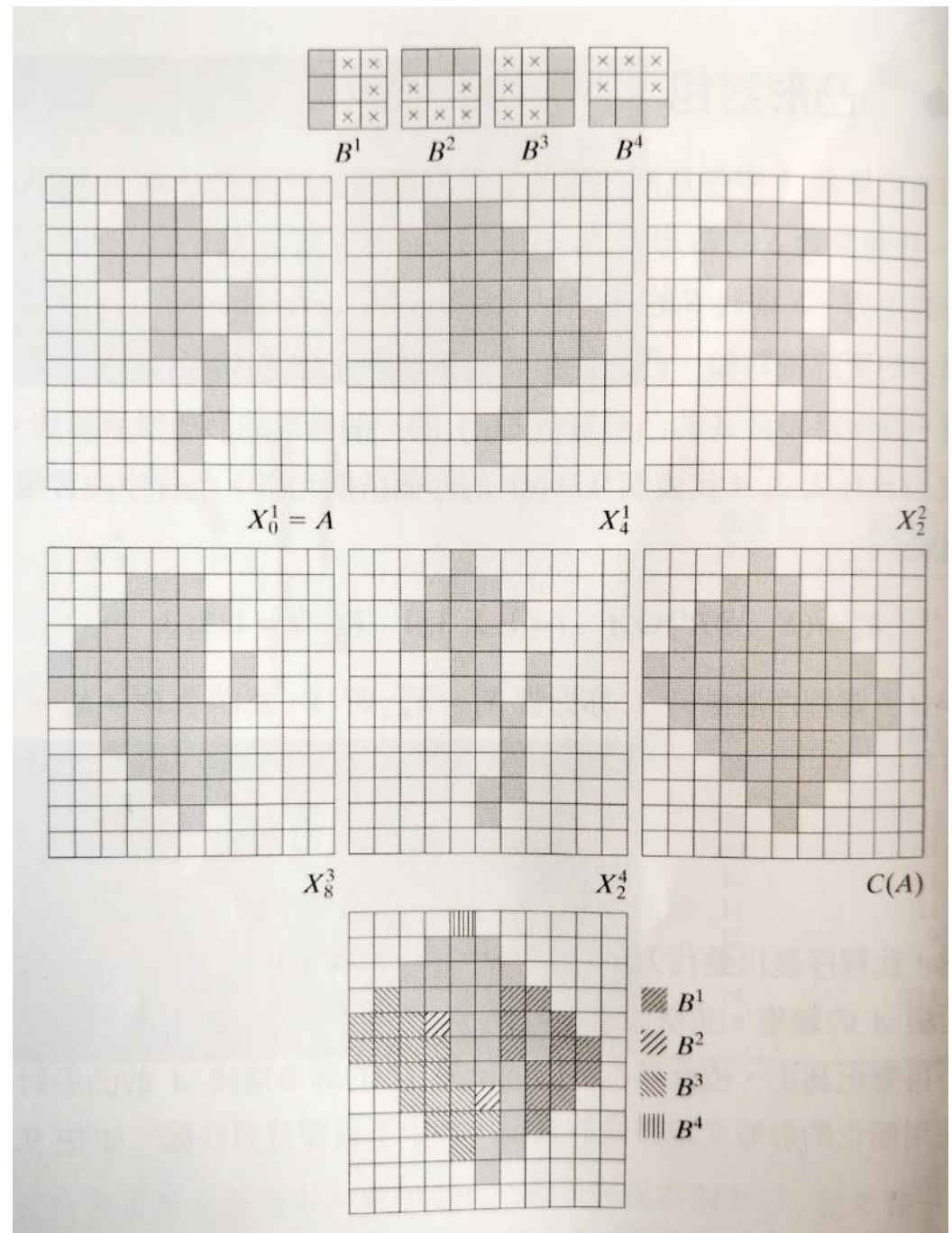


void **convexityDefects**(InputArray contour, InputArray convexhull, OutputArrayconvexityDefects

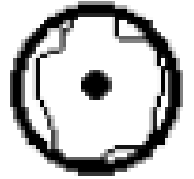
HMT: Hit or Miss 交離轉換

- $X_k^i = (X_{k-1} \circledast B^i) \cup A$
 $-i = 1 \sim 4$
 $-k$: Iteratively

- $C(A) = \bigcup_{i=1}^4 D^i$



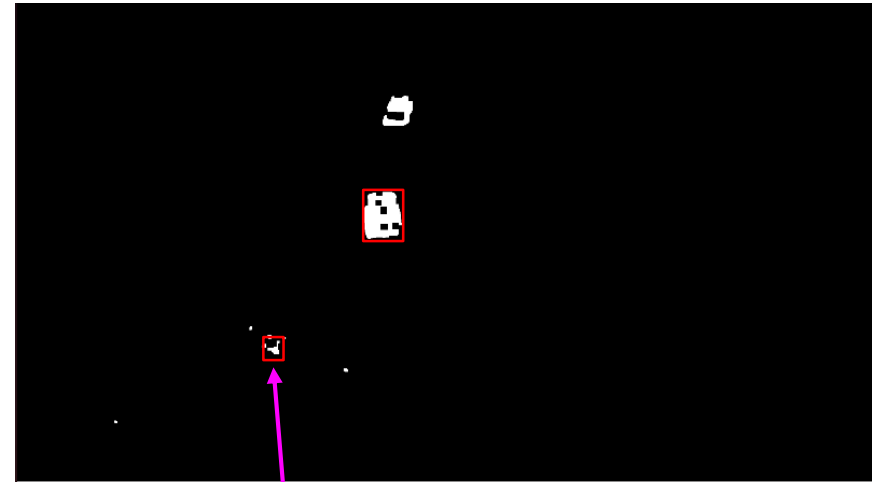
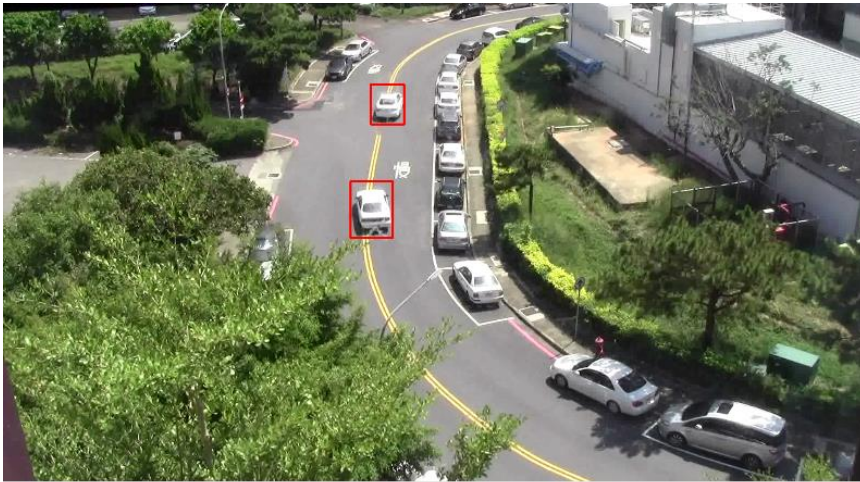
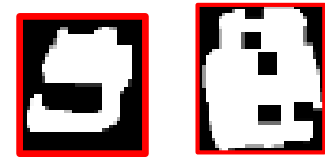
OpenCV Functions



- void **minEnclosingCircle** (InputArray **points**, Point2f& **center**, float& **radius**)
- **points** – Input vector of 2D points
- **center** – Output center of the circle.
- **radius** – Output radius of the circle.

Object filtering

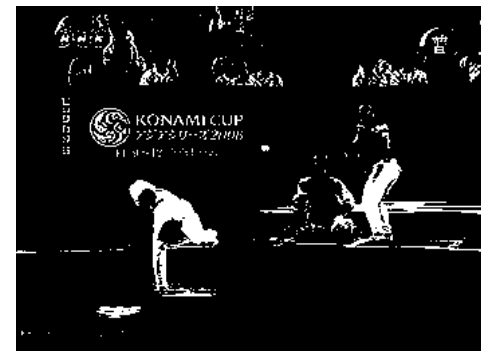
- Object Size
 - Area of the bounding box: width \times height
 - Number of foreground pixels



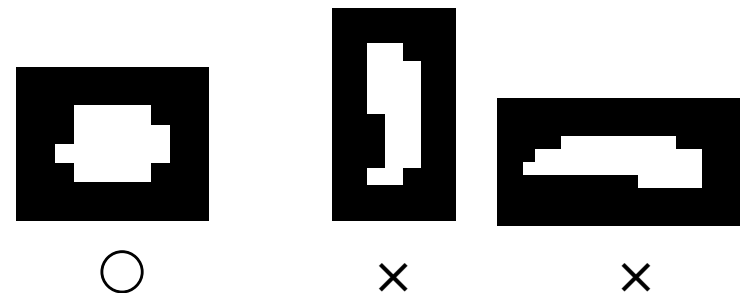
noise

Object filtering

- Object Size
 - Area of the bounding box
 - Number of foreground pixels
- Shape
 - Aspect ratio of the bounding box



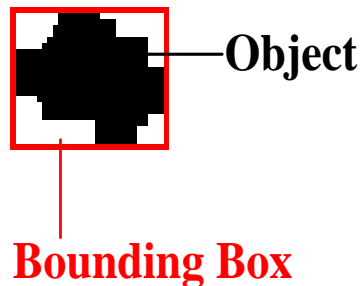
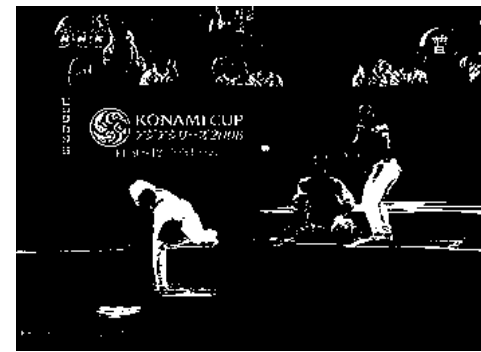
Pose classification



Ball detection (Aspect ratio ≈ 1)

Object filtering

- Object Size
 - Area of the bounding box
 - Number of foreground pixels
- Shape
 - Aspect ratio of the bounding box
- Compactness
 - $\text{Object_size} / \text{Bounding_box_area}$



You can design other features by yourselves.

Example --- baseball detection



Demo



- Q&A