

HAN AEA - Embedded Vision & Machine Learning

# EVD1 - Week 5

## Morphological Filters

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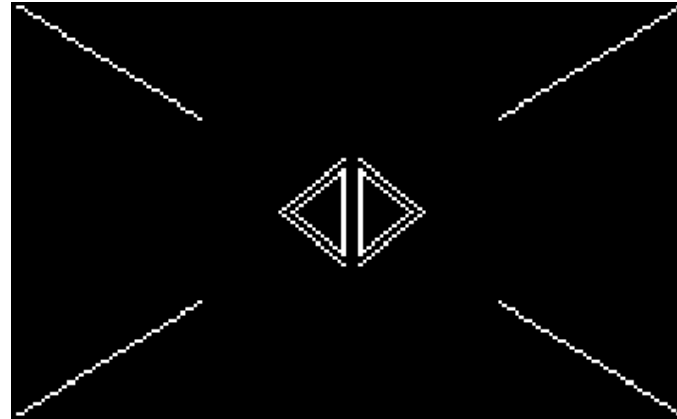
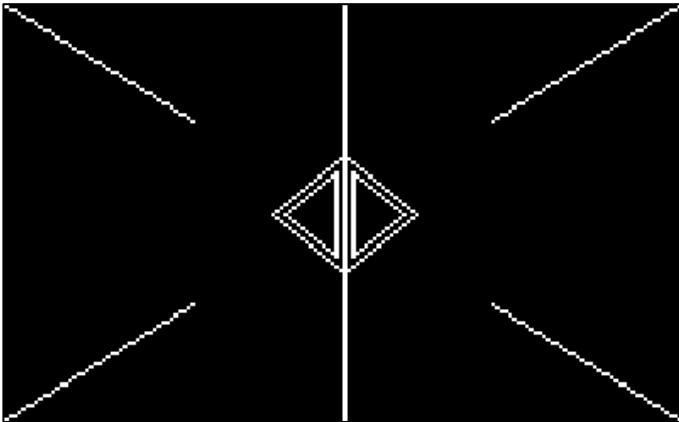
# Morphological filters

- Are used prior to pattern recognition and object classification
- Changes the geometrical shape of the objects
- The goal is to smooth the object's contours and to decompose objects in their fundamental shapes
- Remove border blobs
- Fill holes
- Dilation & Erosion
- Closing & Opening
- Hit-miss
- Outline
- Skeleton

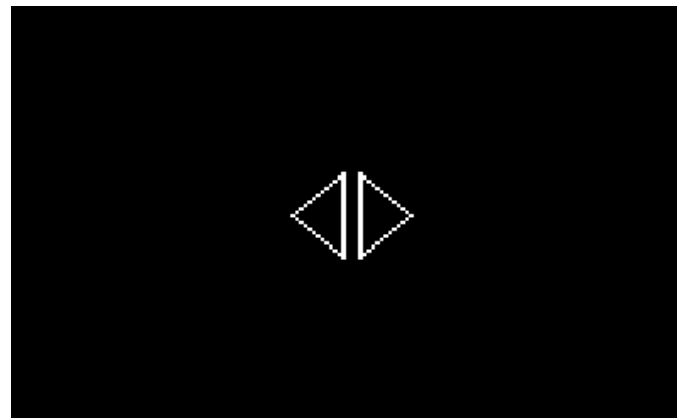
## Remove border BLOBs

- Removes all objects that are 4/8-connected to a border

## Remove border BLOBs - example



4-connected



8-connected

## Remove border BLOBs

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

Source



						1	
					1	1	
						1	
						1	

Destination 8-connected

## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

- Copy src to dst

## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	2		2	2	2	2	

- Copy src to dst
- Mark border object pixels

## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	2		2	2	2	2	

- Copy src to dst
- Mark border object pixels
- While changes
  - Loop entire image and assign marker value if a neighbour is also marked



## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	2				1	1	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	2				2	1	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	2				2	2	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	2						
	2				2	2	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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- While changes
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## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	2	1	1			1	
	2						
	2				2	2	
	2		2	2	2	2	

- Copy src to dst
- Mark border object pixels
- While changes
  - Loop entire image and assign marker value if a neighbour is also marked

## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	2	2	1			1	
	2						
	2				2	2	
	2		2	2	2	2	

- Copy src to dst
- Mark border object pixels
- While changes
  - Loop entire image and assign marker value if a neighbour is also marked

## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	2	2	2			1	
	2						
	2				2	2	
	2		2	2	2	2	

- Copy src to dst
- Mark border object pixels
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  - Loop entire image and assign marker value if a neighbour is also marked

## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	2		1			1	
	2	2	2			1	
	2						
	2				2	2	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

		2					
	2					1	
					1	1	
	2		2			1	
	2	2	2			1	
	2						
	2				2	2	
	2		2	2	2	2	

- Copy src to dst
- Mark border object pixels
- While changes
  - Loop entire image and assign marker value if a neighbour is also marked

## Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

						1	
					1	1	
						1	
						1	

- Copy src to dst
- Mark border object pixels
- While changes
  - Loop entire image and assign marker value if a neighbour is also marked
- Set marked pixels to background value (0)

# Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

## Advantage

- Easy implementation

## Disadvantage

- Very slow, especially if we pass through the image in a single direction and the objects happen to point towards the opposite direction

# Remove border BLOBs – Iterative algorithm

```
uint32_t removeBorderBlobsIterative(  
    const image_t *src, image_t *dst,  
    const eConnected connected);
```

See file **EVDK\_Operators\morphological\_filters.c**

```
// Threshold the image  
threshold2Means(src, tmp, BRIGHTNESS_DARK);  
  
// Remove the border BLOBs  
removeBorderBlobsIterative(tmp, dst, CONNECTED_EIGHT);
```

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	


1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	


1. Initialize lookup table (lut)

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	


1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
  - By allocating memory

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	


## 1. Initialize lookup table (lut)

- By allocating memory
- The lut will record equivalences. In other words: it records label values that are connected. It is a one-dimensional array.

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...



# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	


## 1. Initialize lookup table (lut)

- By allocating memory
- The lut will record equivalences. In other words: it records label values that are connected. It is a one-dimensional array.
- The first three labels are reserved:
  - 0: Background
  - 1: Objects
  - 2: Border marker

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2						

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	


## 1. Initialize lookup table (lut)

- By allocating memory
- The lut will record equivalences. In other words: it records label values that are connected. It is a one-dimensional array.
- The first three labels are reserved:
  - 0: Background
  - 1: Objects
  - 2: Border marker
- Mark end of the lut

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	


2. Mark the border pixels in the destination

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2		2	2	2	2	

2. Mark the border pixels in the destination

- Border pixels must be removed, so use label value 2 to mark them.
- All other border pixels are set to the background label value 0

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

*How many neighbours should be considered?*



## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2		2	2	2	2	

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Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2						
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
    - Yes: **Label this pixel with the same value**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2						
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
    - Yes: Label this pixel with the same value
  - No: **Label this pixel with background value**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: Label this pixel with the same value
      - No: **Assign next label value**
    - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	0					

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: Label this pixel with the same value
      - No: Assign next label value and **record equivalence in lut**
    - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	0				

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3		
	2		2	2	2	2	

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- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
    - Yes: **Label this pixel with the same value**
    - No: Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut
  - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	0				

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
    - Yes: **Label this pixel with the same value**
    - No: Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut
  - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	0				

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4						
	2		2	2	2	2	

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- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
    - Yes: Label this pixel with the same value
    - No: **Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut**
  - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	0			



# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5				
	2		2	2	2	2	

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  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: Label this pixel with the same value
      - No: **Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut**
    - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	5	0		

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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: **Label this pixel with the same value**
    - No: Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut
  - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	5	0		

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4						
	2		2	2	2	2	

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  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: **Label this pixel with the same value**
      - No: Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut
    - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	5	0		

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4					
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: **Label this pixel with the lowest value**
    - No: Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut
  - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	5	0		

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4					
	2		2	2	2	2	

3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: Label this pixel with the lowest value and **record equivalence(s)**
      - No: Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut
    - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	4	0		

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4				
	2		2	2	2	2	

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- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: **Label this pixel with the lowest value and record equivalence(s)**
      - No: Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut
    - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	4	0		

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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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- Loop all inner pixels
  - Is it an object pixel?
    - Yes: Is one of its neighbours labeled?
      - Yes: **Label this pixel with the lowest value** and record equivalence(s)
      - No: Assign next label value and record equivalence in lut
    - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	4	0		

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	2		2	2	2	2	

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    - No: Label this pixel with background value

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	4	0		



# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
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	1					1	
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	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6		
	2		2	2	2	2	

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	4	6	0	

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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
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	2		2	2	2	2	

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# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

4. Record border equivalences

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	4	6	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

## 4. Record border equivalences

- Must check equivalences due to skipped borders and skipped neighbours


Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	4	6	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1							
	1						1		
						1	1		
	1		1				1		
	1	1	1				1		
	1								
	1					1	1		
	1		1	1	1	1	1		

		2							
	2						3		
						3	3		
	4		5				3		
	4	4	4				3		
	4								
	4					6	6		
	2		2	2	2	2	2		

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Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	4	4	6	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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0	1	2	3	4	4	6	0	



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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
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	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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0	1	2	3	4	4	6	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

## 4. Record border equivalences

- Is the pixel labeled?
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Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4					6	6
	2		2	2	2	2	

## 4. Record border equivalences

- Is the pixel labeled?
  - Yes: Is a border pixel marked?
  - No: No need to update lut
  - Yes: **Update lut**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	6	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4					6	6
	2		2	2	2	2	

## 4. Record border equivalences

- Is the pixel labeled?
  - Yes: Is a border pixel marked?
  - No: No need to update lut
  - Yes: update lut and **update lut initial assigned label too**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	6	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
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	2		2	2	2	2	

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Equival								
0	1	2	3	4				
0	1	2	3	2	4	6	0	

Why?

			1	
	1	1		
1				

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

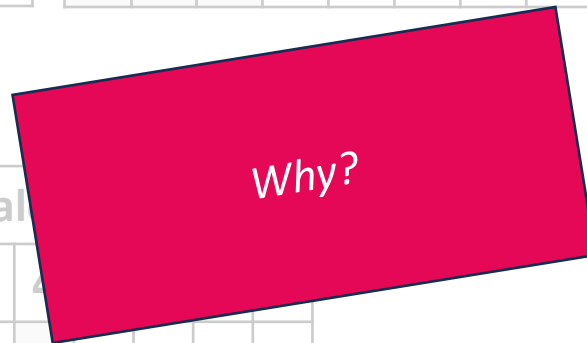
		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
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Equival				
0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	2
4	6	0		



			3	
	4	3		
2				

0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	3

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

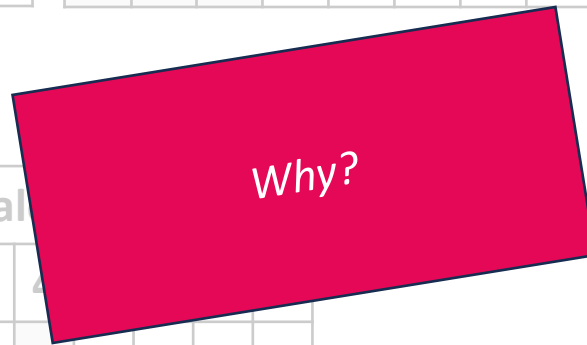
		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
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	4						
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	2		2	2	2	2	

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Equival				
0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	2
4	6	0		



			3	
	4	3		
2				

0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	2



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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
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	2		2	2	2	2	

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  - No: No need to update lut
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Equival				
0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	2
				4
				6
				0

Label 3 remains  
unconnected to label 2

			3	
	4	3		
2				

0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	2

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

## 4. Record border equivalences

- Is the pixel labeled?
  - Yes: Is a border pixel marked?
    - No: No need to update lut
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Equival				
0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	2
				4
				6
				0

*Solution: First update lut initial label and then update lut current label*

			3	
	4	3		
2				

0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	2	3

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
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	2		2	2	2	2	

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Equival				
0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	3	2
				4
				6
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			3	
	4	3		
2				

0	1	2	3	4
0	1	2	2	2

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1							
	1						1		
						1	1		
	1		1				1		
	1	1	1				1		
	1								
	1					1	1		
	1		1	1	1	1	1		

		2							
	2						3		
						3	3		
	4		5				3		
	4	4	4				3		
	4								
	4					6	6		
	2		2	2	2	2	2		

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		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

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# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- Assign the border label value (2) to all equivalent labels
  - Skip 0, 1 and 2, because these labels are reserved

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	



# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- Assign the border label value (2) to all equivalent labels
  - Skip 0, 1 and 2, because these labels are reserved
  - Remember that the lowest neighbour value was assigned, so resolving from low-to-high will resolve all equivalences

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - **Assign the equivalent label**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	

Label 3 is assigned the label value that is recorded at 3

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - **Assign the equivalent label**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	

Label 3 is assigned the label value that is recorded at 3

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - **Assign the equivalent label**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	

Label 4 is assigned the label value that is recorded at 2

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - **Assign the equivalent label**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	

Label 4 is assigned the label value that is recorded at 2

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - **Assign the equivalent label**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	4	2	0	

Label 5 is assigned the label value that is recorded at 4

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - **Assign the equivalent label**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

Label 5 is assigned the label value that is recorded at 4

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - **Assign the equivalent label**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

Label 6 is assigned the label value that is recorded at 2



# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - **Assign the equivalent label**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

Label 6 is assigned the label value that is recorded at 2

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

5. Resolve equivalences
- While not at the end of the lut
  - Assign the equivalent label

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

# Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut

- Loop all pixels in dst

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

		2					
	2					3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut

- Loop all pixels in dst
  - Pixel is labelled?
  - Yes: Label is equivalent to 2 according to lut?
    - Yes: **Set to 0**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

						3	
					3	3	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

### 6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut

- Loop all pixels in dst
  - Pixel is labelled?
  - Yes: Label is equivalent to 2 according to lut?
    - Yes: Set to 0
    - No: **Set to 1**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

						1	
					1	1	
	4		5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

### 6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut

- Loop all pixels in dst
  - Pixel is labelled?
  - Yes: Label is equivalent to 2 according to lut?
    - Yes: **Set to 0**
    - No: Set to 1

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

						1	
					1	1	
			5			3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

### 6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut

- Loop all pixels in dst
  - Pixel is labelled?
  - Yes: Label is equivalent to 2 according to lut?
    - Yes: **Set to 0**
    - No: Set to 1

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	



## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

						1	
					1	1	
						3	
	4	4	4			3	
	4						
	4				6	6	
	2		2	2	2	2	

### 6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut

- Loop all pixels in dst
  - Pixel is labelled?
  - Yes: Label is equivalent to 2 according to lut?
    - Yes: Set to 0
    - No: **Set to 1**

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

						1	
					1	1	
						1	
						1	

### 6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut

- Loop all pixels in dst
  - Pixel is labelled?
  - Yes: Label is equivalent to 2 according to lut?
    - Yes: Set to 0
    - No: Set to 1

Equivalence LUT								
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
0	1	2	3	2	2	2	0	

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

		1					
	1					1	
					1	1	
	1		1			1	
	1	1	1			1	
	1						
	1				1	1	
	1		1	1	1	1	

						1	
					1	1	
						1	
						1	

7. Cleanup lut
- By freeing allocated memory

## Remove border BLOBs – Two-pass algorithm

```
uint32_t removeBorderBlobsTwoPass(  
    const image_t *src,          image_t *dst,  
    const eConnected connected, const uint32_t lutSize);
```

See file **EVDK\_Operators\morphological\_filters.c**

```
// Threshold the image  
threshold2Means(src, tmp, BRIGHTNESS_DARK);  
  
// Remove the border BLOBs  
removeBorderBlobsTwoPass(tmp, dst, CONNECTED_EIGHT, 128);
```

# EVD1 – Assignment



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**Week 5**

1 Morphological filters – removeBorderBlobsTwoPass()

## Fill holes

- Fills the 4/8-connected holes in binary objects

## Fill holes - example



4-connected



8-connected

## Fill holes

		1	1				
	1			1			
	1			1			
		1	1	1	1	1	1
				1			1
				1			1
				1	1	1	1

- Where to start?



## Fill holes

		1	1				
	1			1			
	1			1			
		1	1	1	1	1	1
				1			1
				1			1
				1	1	1	1

- Where to start?
- However, the algorithm is very similar to removing border BLOBs, if:
  - a hole is defined as not being connected to the background

## Fill holes

		1	1				
	1			1			
	1			1			
		1	1	1	1	1	1
				1			1
				1			1
				1	1	1	1

- Where to start?
- However, the algorithm is very similar to removing border BLOBs, if:
  - a hole is defined as not being connected to the background
  - and the background has all 0 pixels connected to the border of the image

## Fill holes

2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2		1	1				2
2	1			1			2
2	1			1			2
2		1	1	1	1	1	1
2				1			1
2				1			1
2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1

- Mark background border pixels

## Fill holes

2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2
2	1			1	2	2	2
2	1			1	2	2	2
2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	1			1
2	2	2	2	1			1
2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1

- Mark background border pixels
- Mark all adjacent pixels

## Fill holes

2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2	2	1	1	2	2	2	2
2	1	1	1	1	2	2	2
2	1	1	1	1	2	2	2
2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1

- Mark background border pixels
- Mark all adjacent pixels
- Set background pixels to foreground pixels

## Fill holes

		1	1				
	1	1	1	1			
	1	1	1	1			
		1	1	1	1	1	1
				1	1	1	1
				1	1	1	1
				1	1	1	1

- Mark background border pixels
- Mark all adjacent pixels
- Set background pixels to foreground
- Set marked pixels to background

## Fill holes

		1	1				
	1	1	1	1			
	1	1	1	1			
		1	1	1	1	1	1
				1	1	1	1
				1	1	1	1
				1	1	1	1

- Two implementations
  - Iterative algorithm
  - Two-pass algorithm

## Fill holes – Iterative algorithm

`uint32_t fillHolesIterative( const image_t *src, image_t *dst,  
 const eConnected connected);`

See file **EVDK\_Operators\morphological\_filters.c**

```
// Threshold the image
threshold2Means(src, tmp, BRIGHTNESS_DARK);

// Remove the border BLOBs
fillHolesIterative(tmp, dst, CONNECTED_EIGHT);
```



## Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

```
uint32_t fillHolesTwoPass(    const image_t *src, image_t *dst,  
                             const eConnected connected ,  
                             const uint32_t lutSize);
```

See file **EVDK\_Operators\morphological\_filters.c**

```
// Threshold the image  
threshold2Means(src, tmp, BRIGHTNESS_DARK);  
  
// Remove the border BLOBs  
fillHolesTwoPass(tmp, dst, CONNECTED_EIGHT, 128);
```

# Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

## Tips

- The same 7 steps are applicable

1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut

# Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

## Tips

- No changes

1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut

# Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

## Tips

- Instead of marking the object pixels, mark the background pixels

1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut

# Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

## Tips

- Instead of labelling the objects, label the background

1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut

# Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

## Tips

- No changes

1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut

# Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

## Tips

- No changes

1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut

# Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

## Tips

- Loop all pixels in dst
- Pixel is background?
  - Yes: Set to 1 (fills the holes)
  - No: Label is equivalent to 2 according to lut?
  - Yes: Set to 0 (because it is connected to a border)
  - No: Set to 1 (because it is an object)

1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut



# Fill holes – Two-pass algorithm

## Tips

- No changes

1. Initialize lookup table (lut)
2. Mark the border pixels in the destination
3. Pass 1: Label the objects, skipping the borders, and record equivalences in lut
4. Record border equivalences
5. Resolve equivalences
6. Pass 2: Assign result by using lut
7. Cleanup lut

# EVD1 – Assignment



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**Week 5**

2 Morphological filters – fillHolesTwoPass()

# Dilation and erosion

- Dilation of an object increases its geometrical area
- Dilation is defined as the union of all vector additions of all pixels  $a$  in object  $A$  with all pixels  $b$  in the structuring function  $B$ :

$$A \oplus B = \{t \in Z^2: t = a + b, a \in A, b \in B\}$$

where

$t$  is an element of the image space  $Z^2$

- Erosion of an object decreases its geometrical area
- Erosion is defined as the complement of the resulting dilation of the complement of object  $A$  with structuring function  $B$ :

$$A \ominus B = (A^c \oplus B)^c$$

## Closing and opening

- All other morphological filters are derived from dilation and erosion
- Closing
- Reduces inward bumps and (small) holes
- Is defined as the dilation followed by an erosion of the dilated object

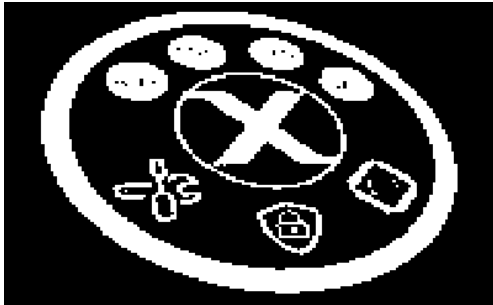
$$\textit{close}(A, B) = (A \oplus B) \ominus B$$

- Opening
- Reduces outward bumps
- Is defined as the erosion followed by a dilation of the eroded object

$$\textit{open}(A, B) = (A \ominus B) \oplus B$$

# Examples

*A*



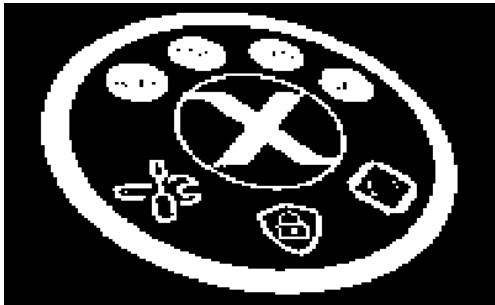
*B*

1	1	1
1	1	1
1	1	1



# Examples

*A*



*B*

1	1	1
1	1	1
1	1	1

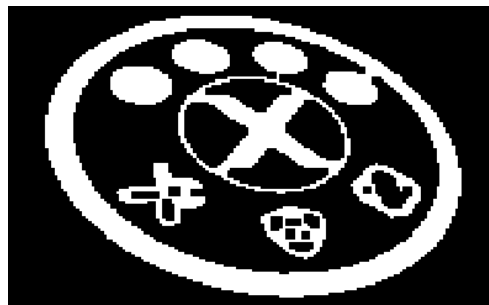
Dilation



Erosion



Closing

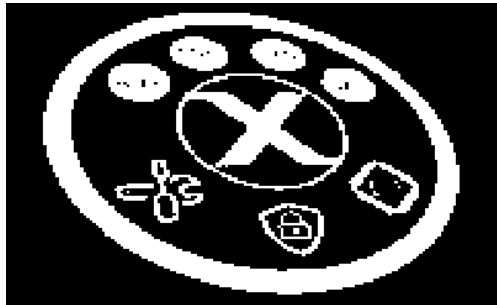


Opening



# Examples

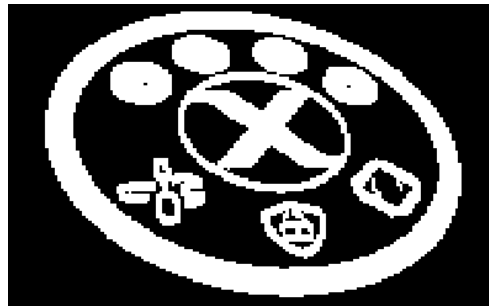
*A*



*B*

0	1	0
0	1	0
0	1	0

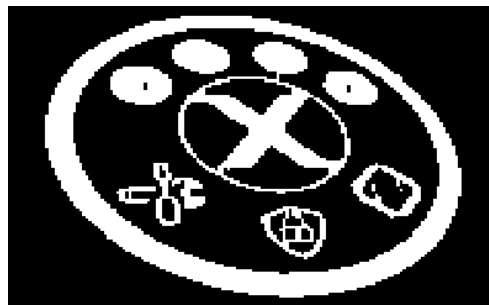
Dilation



Erosion



Closing



Opening



# Binary skeleton

- Defines a unique compressed geometrical representation of an object
- Does not necessarily produce a fully connected object
- Is defined as the union of the set of pixels computed from the difference of the  $n - 1_{th}$  eroded image and the opening of the  $n_{th}$  eroded image:

$$K_n(A) = erode_{n-1}(A) - open(erode_n(A), B)$$

where

$erode_n(A) = A \ominus B_n$  is the  $n_{th}$  erosion of the original image  $A$  with structuring function  $B$



# Binary skeleton

- The skeleton image is then given by the union of all  $K_n(A)$  over all erosions
- The number of erosions  $n$  required by the skeleton algorithm is the number of erosions of the original image  $A$  by the structuring function  $B$  that yields the null image:

$$\text{erode}_n(A) = A \ominus B_n = \emptyset$$

## Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$$A = \text{erode}_0(A, B)$$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$$A = \text{erode}_0(A, B)$$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$$\text{erode}_1(A, B)$$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$open(erode_0(A, B), B)$

$A = erode_0(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$erode_1(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$dilate(erode_1(A, B), B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Binary skeleton - example

$$K_1(A) = \text{erode}_0(A, B) - \text{open}(\text{erode}_0(A, B), B)$$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$erode_1(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$erode_1(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$erode_2(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$open(erode_1(A, B), B)$

$erode_1(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$erode_2(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$dilate(erode_2(A, B), B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



## Binary skeleton - example

$$K_2(A) = \text{erode}_1(A, B) - \text{open}(\text{erode}_1(A, B), B)$$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$$K_1(A) \cup K_2(A)$$

## Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$erode_2(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

# Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$erode_2(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$erode_3(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

*Done!*

*Nothing left to erode.*

# Binary skeleton - example

$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$open(erode_2(A, B), B)$

$erode_2(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$erode_3(A, B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

$dilate(erode_3(A, B), B)$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Done!

Nothing left to erode.

## Binary skeleton - example

$$K_3(A) = \text{erode}_2(A, B) - \text{open}(\text{erode}_2(A, B), B)$$

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

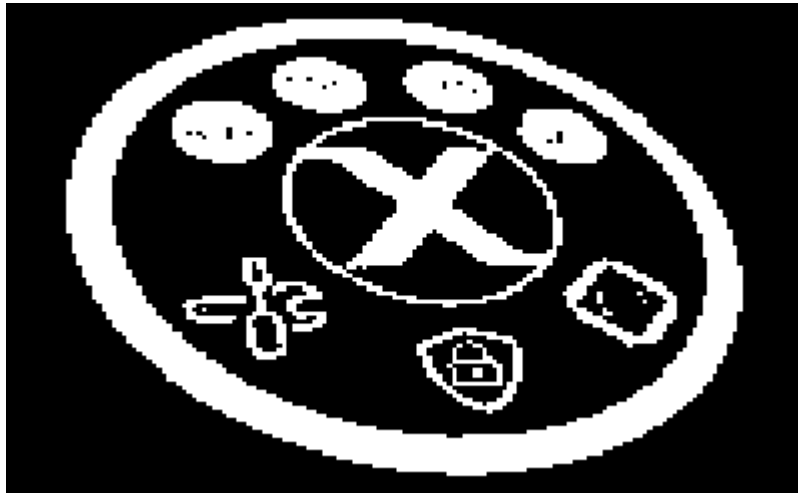
$$K_1(A) \cup K_2(A) \cup K_3(A)$$

# Binary skeleton - example

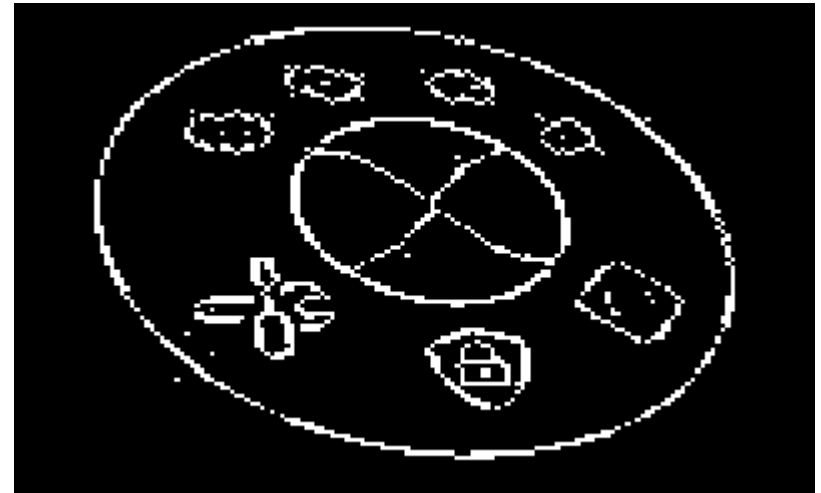
$B$

0	1	0
1	1	1
0	1	0

$A$



$K_n(A)$

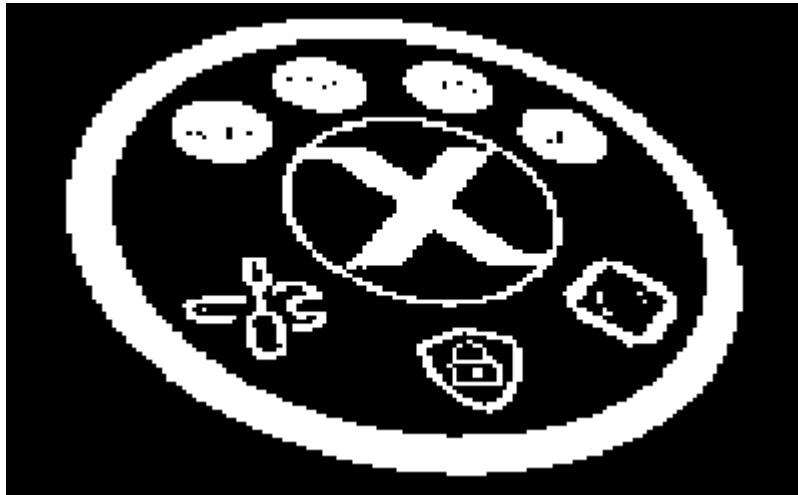


# Binary skeleton - example

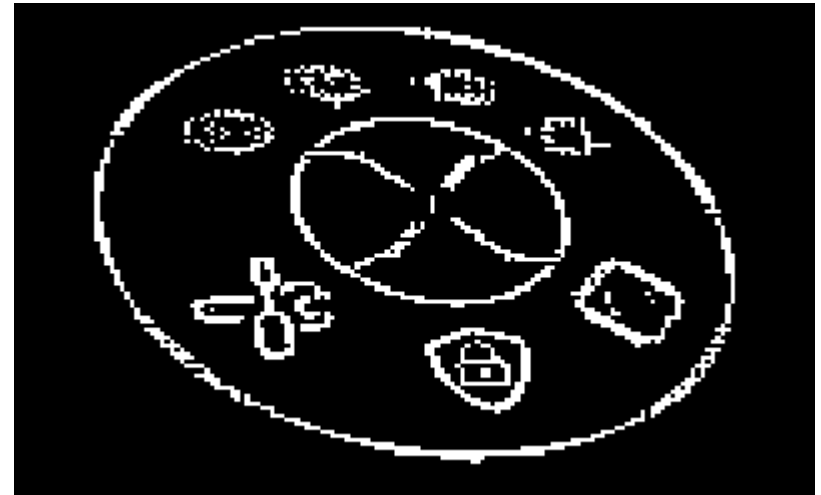
$B$

1	0	1
0	1	0
1	0	1

$A$



$K_n(A)$



# Binary skeleton - algorithm

```
void skeleton(    const image_t *src, image_t *dst,  
                  const uint8_t *mask, const uint8_t n);
```

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```
// Threshold the image  
threshold2Means(src, tmp, BRIGHTNESS_DARK);  
removeBorderBlobsTwoPass(tmp, rbb, CONNECTED_FOUR, 256);  
  
uint8_t mask[9] =  
{  
    1,0,1,  
    0,1,0,  
    1,0,1,  
};  
  
skeleton(rbb, dst, mask, 3);
```



## Binary hit-miss

- Use to find geometrical features
- Is defines as:

$$\text{hitmiss}(A, B, C) = (A \ominus B) \cap (A^c \ominus C)$$

where

$B$  and  $C$  are structuring masks with the requirement:

$$B \cap C = \emptyset$$

because all 1s in  $B$  are considered object pixels and all 1s in  $C$  are considered background pixels

## Binary hit-miss - example

$B$

0	0	0
1	1	0
0	0	0

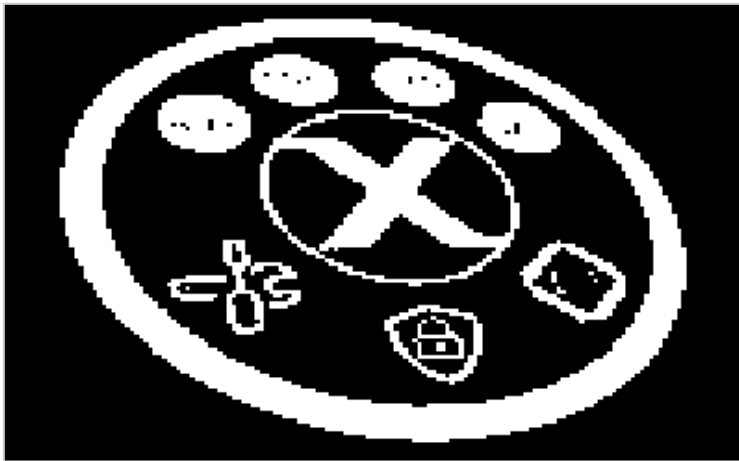
$C$

0	0	0
0	0	1
0	0	0

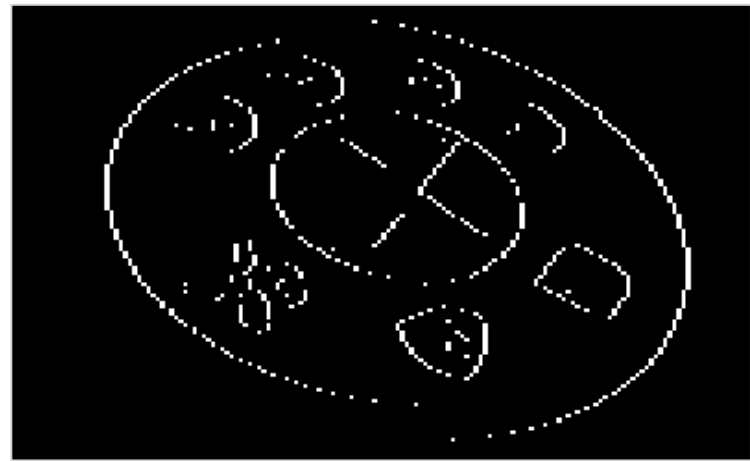
*Alternative  
representation*

-	-	-
1	1	0
-	-	-

$A$



$hitmiss(A, B, C)$



## Binary hit-miss - example

 $B$ 

0	0	0
0	1	1
0	0	0

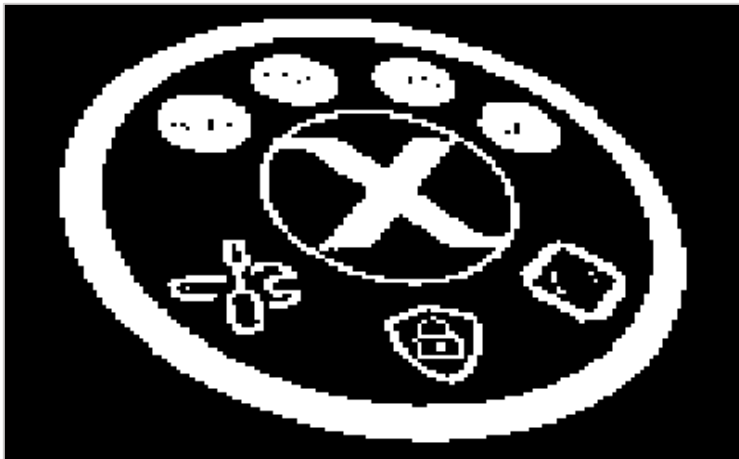
 $C$ 

0	0	0
1	0	0
0	0	0

*Alternative  
representation*

-	-	-
0	1	1
-	-	-

$A$



$hitmiss(A, B, C)$



## Binary hit-miss - algorithm

```
void hitmiss(const image_t *src, image_t *dst,  
             const uint8_t *m1, const uint8_t *m2);
```

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## Binary outline

- Change all of the object's pixels to the background value, except those pixels that lie on the object's contour
- The contour width is determined by the structuring element
- The result is the eroded image subtracted from the original image, or the original image subtracted from the dilated image
- Is defined as

$$\text{outline}(A, B) = A - (A \ominus B)$$

or

$$\text{outline}(A, B) = (A \oplus B) - A$$

where

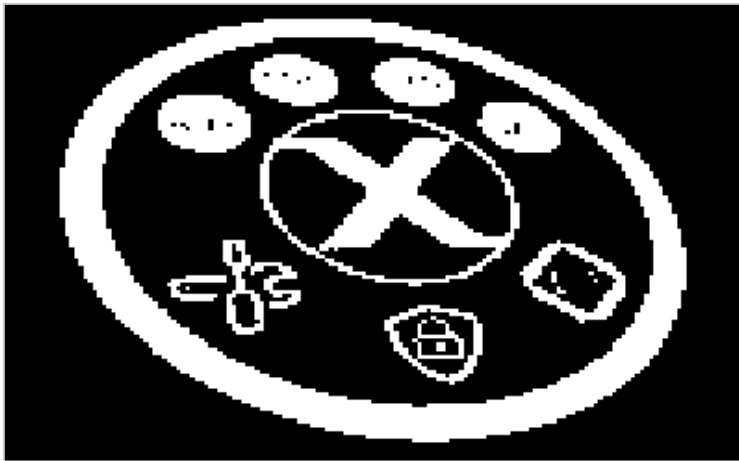
$B$  is the structuring mask

## Binary outline - example

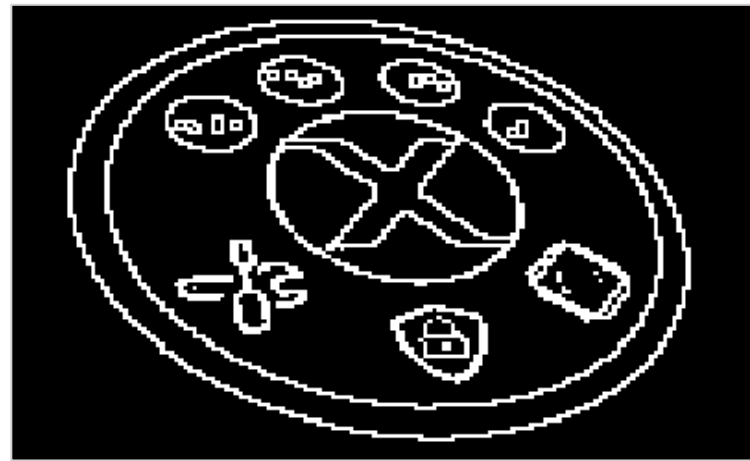
$B$

1	1	1
1	1	1
1	1	1

$A$



$$\text{outline}(A, B) = A - (A \ominus B)$$

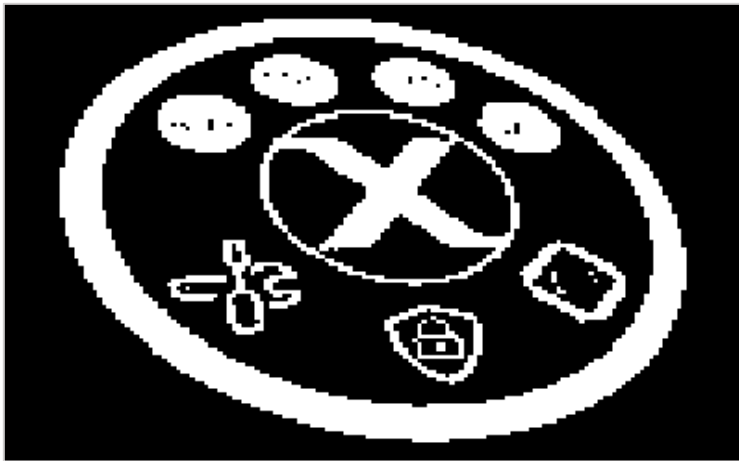


## Binary outline - example

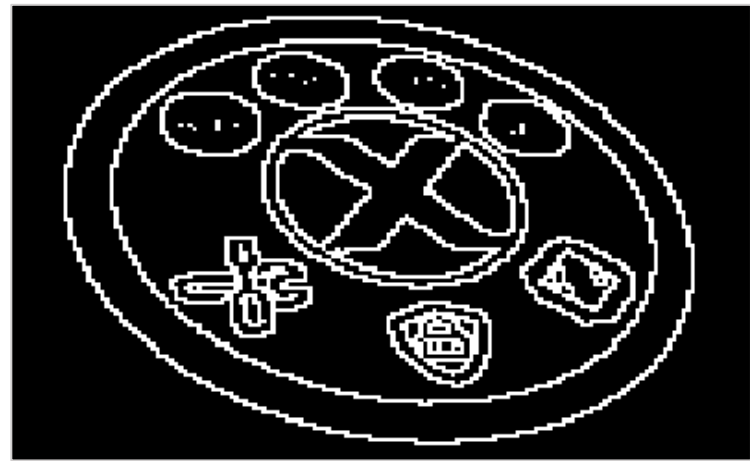
$B$

1	1	1
1	1	1
1	1	1

$A$



$$\text{outline}(A, B) = (A \oplus B) - A$$

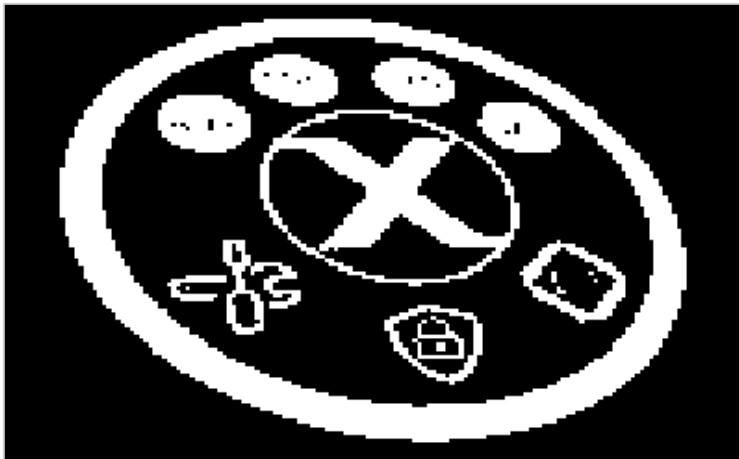


## Binary outline - example

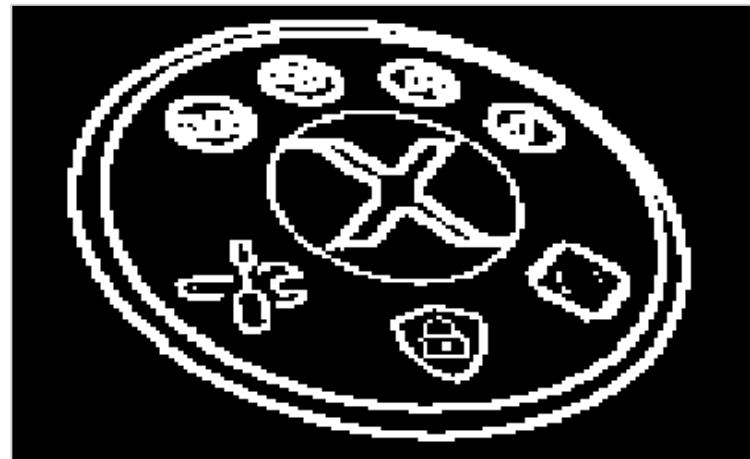
$B$

1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1
1	1	1	1	1

$A$



$outline(A, B)$

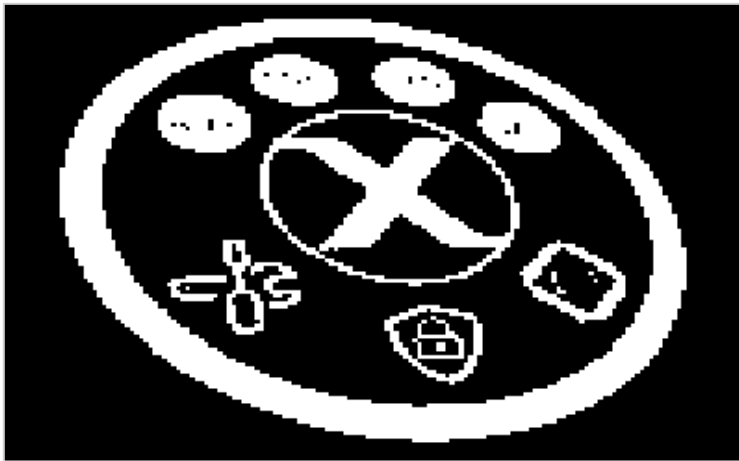
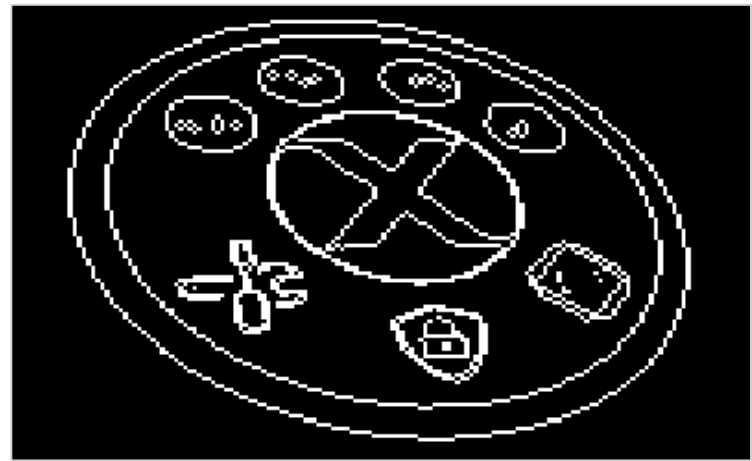




# Binary outline - example

	0	1	0
$B$	1	1	1
	0	1	0

*A*


$$outline(A, B)$$


## Binary outline - algorithm

```
void outline( const image_t *src, image_t *dst,  
              const uint8_t *m, const uint8_t n);
```

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