

Computer Vision Module – Session 8

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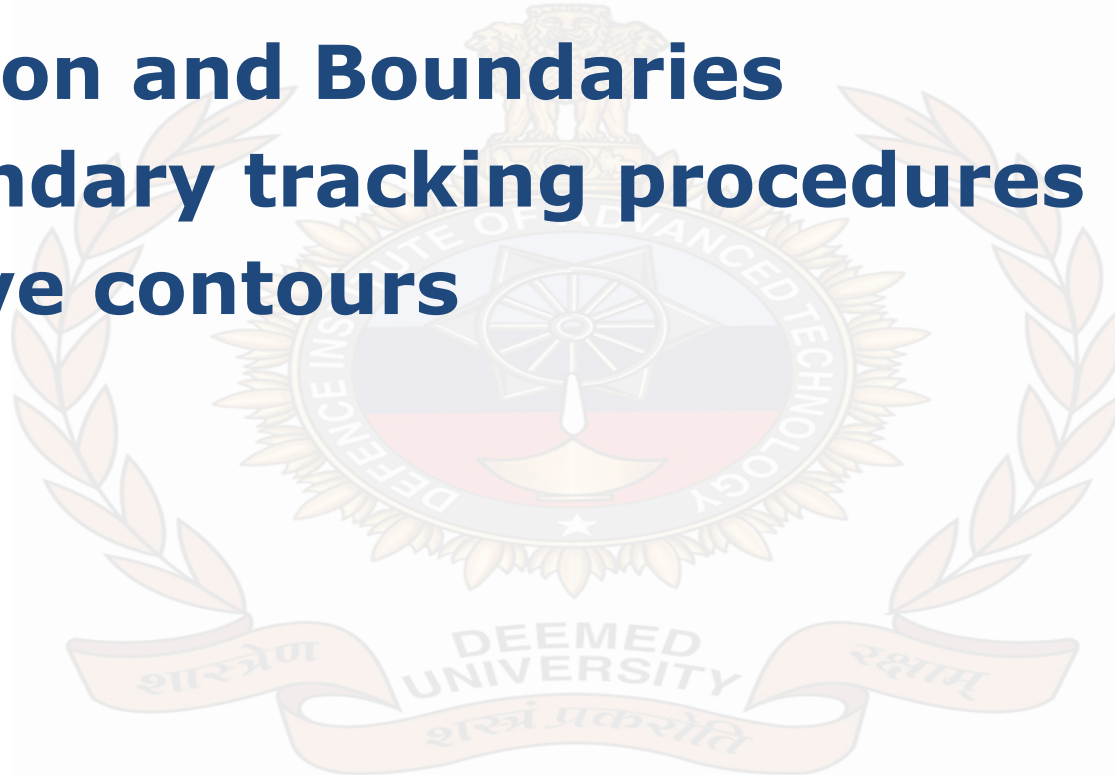


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Outline of Presentation

- **Region and Boundaries**
- **Boundary tracking procedures**
- **active contours**



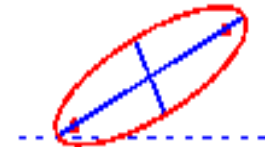
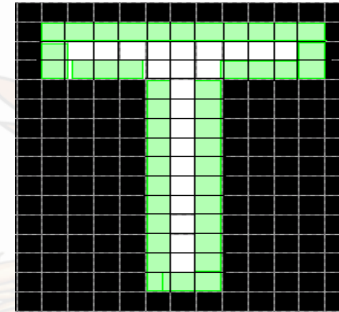


Region

- A subset R of pixels in an image is called a Region of the image if R is a connected set.
- The boundary of the region R is the set of pixels in the region that have one or more neighbors that are not in R .

Region Properties

- Area
- Perimeter
- Ellipse-MajorAxisLength, MinorAxisLength
- Compactness
- Elongation
- Eccentricity
- Circularity
- Convexity
- Aspect ratio
- Curl
- Convex hull
- Solidity
- Shape variances
- Rectangularity
- Bounding box
- direction
- Orientation





Region Properties

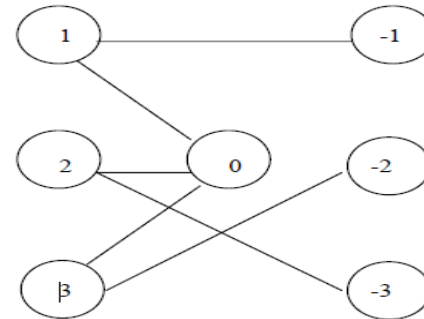
- **ConvexHull**-Smallest convex polygon that can contain the region, returned as a p -by-2 matrix. Each row of the matrix contains the x - and y -coordinates of one vertex of the polygon.
- **ConvexImage**-Image that specifies the convex hull, with all pixels within the hull filled in (set to on), returned as a binary image (logical). The image is the size of the bounding box of the region.
- **ConvexArea**-Number of pixels in **ConvexImage**.

Region Properties

- Some more measures are: circularity, mean radial distance, standard deviation of radial distance.
- Bounding box-rectangle that encloses shape and touches extremal points can be used.
- Region adjacency graph- each node represents a region of image and edge connects 2 nodes if 2 regions are adjacent.

0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	1	1	1	1	1	0	2	2	0
0	1	-1	-1	-1	1	0	2	2	0
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0	3	3	3	0	2	2	2	2	0
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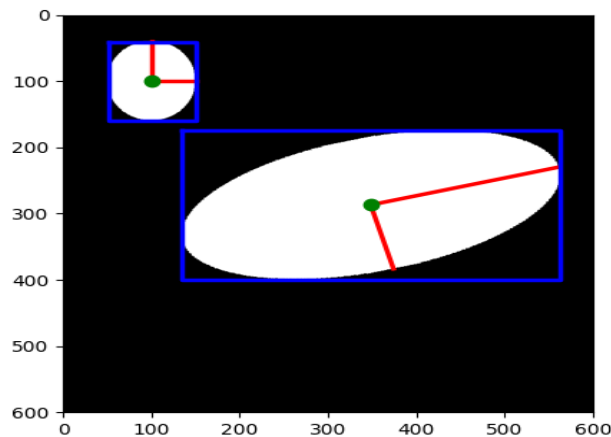
a) Labeled image of foreground and background regions



b) Region adjacency graph

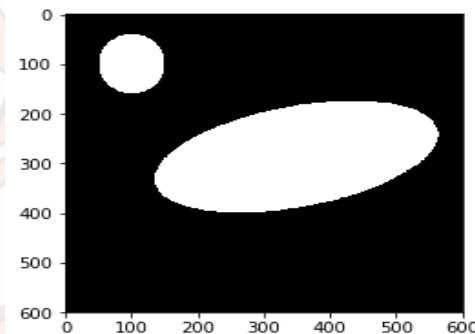
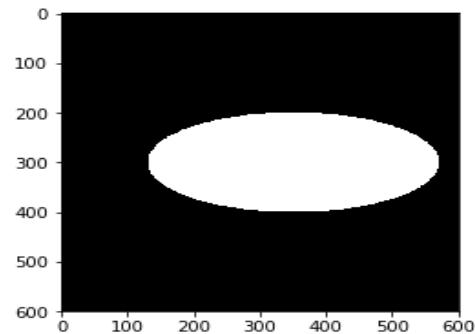
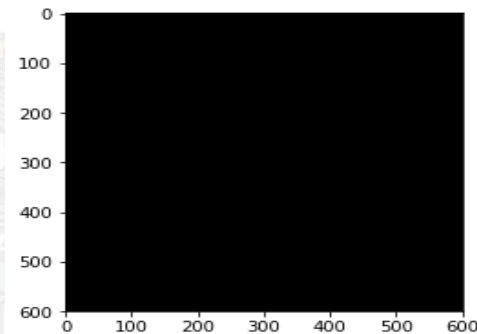
Case study

- how to measure properties of labeled image regions, for image with two ellipses.



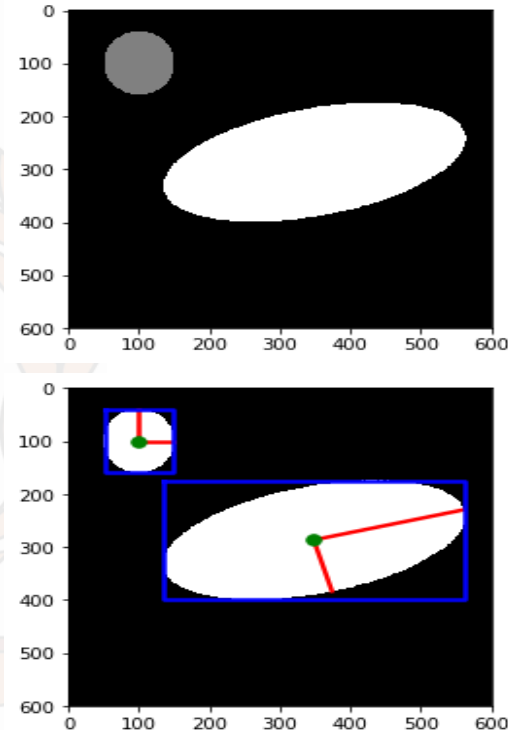
Try:

- `import math`
- `import numpy as np`
- `import pandas as pd`
- `from skimage.draw import ellipse`
- `from skimage.measure import label, regionprops, regionprops_table`
- `from skimage.transform import rotate`
- `image = np.zeros((600, 600))`
- `plt.imshow(image, cmap="gray")`
- `rr, cc = ellipse(300, 350, 100, 220)`
- `image[rr, cc] = 1`
- `plt.imshow(image, cmap="gray")`
- `image = rotate(image, angle=15, order=0)`
- `rr, cc = ellipse(100, 100, 60, 50)`
- `image[rr, cc] = 1`
- `plt.imshow(image, cmap="gray")`



Try:

- `label_img = label(image)`
- `regions = regionprops(label_img)`
- `fig, ax = plt.subplots()`
- `ax.imshow(image, cmap=plt.cm.gray)`
- for props in regions:
- `y0, x0 = props.centroid`
- `orientation = props.orientation`
- `x1 = x0 + math.cos(orientation) * 0.5 * props.minor_axis_length`
- `y1 = y0 - math.sin(orientation) * 0.5 * props.minor_axis_length`
- `x2 = x0 - math.sin(orientation) * 0.5 * props.major_axis_length`
- `y2 = y0 - math.cos(orientation) * 0.5 * props.major_axis_length`
- `ax.plot((x0, x1), (y0, y1), '-r', linewidth=2.5)`
- `ax.plot((x0, x2), (y0, y2), '-r', linewidth=2.5)`
- `ax.plot(x0, y0, 'g', markersize=15)`
- `minr, minc, maxr, maxc = props.bbox`
- `bx = (minc, maxc, maxc, minc, minc)`
- `by = (minr, minr, maxr, maxr, minr)`
- `ax.plot(bx, by, '-b', linewidth=2.5)`
- `ax.axis((0, 600, 600, 0))`
- `plt.show()`





- [#https://scikit-image.org/docs/dev/auto_examples/segmentation/plot_regionprops.html](https://scikit-image.org/docs/dev/auto_examples/segmentation/plot_regionprops.html)
- `props = regionprops_table(label_img, properties=('centroid', 'orientation', 'major_axis_length', 'minor_axis_length'))`
- `pd.DataFrame(props)`

	centroid-0	centroid-1	orientation	major_axis_length	minor_axis_length
0	100.000000	100.000000	0.000000	119.807049	99.823995
1	286.914167	348.412995	-1.308966	440.015503	199.918850

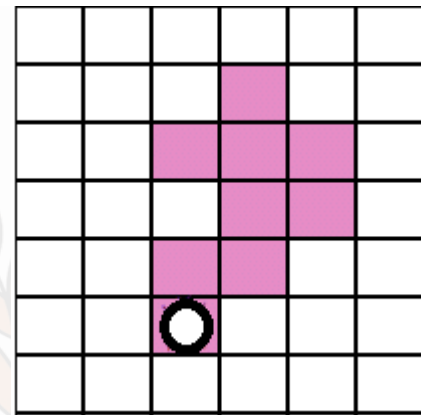


Boundary

- The boundary (also called border or contour) of a region R is the set of pixels in the region that have one or more neighbors that are not in R .
- If R happens to be an entire image, then its boundary is defined as the set of pixels in the first and last rows and columns in the image
- Boundary/contour tracing algorithms
 - Square Tracing algorithm and Moore-Neighbor Tracing
 - Active countour

Contour tracing-Square Tracing algorithm

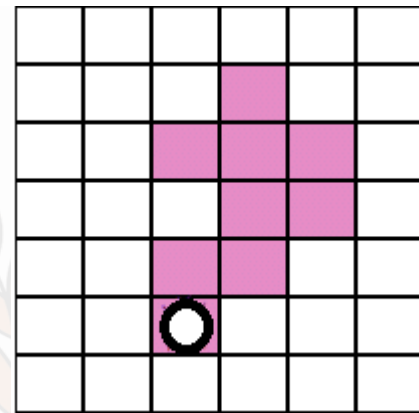
- This was one of the first approaches to extract contours and is quite simple.
- Suppose background is black (1's) and object is white (0's).
- start at the bottom left corner of the grid, scan each column of pixels from the bottom going upwards -starting from the leftmost column and proceeding to the right- until we encounter a black pixel. We'll declare that pixel as our "**start**" pixel.
- every time you find yourself standing on a black pixel, turn left and mark the previous pixel as boundary pixel
- every time you find yourself standing on a white pixel, turn right
- repeat, until you encounter the **start** pixel again.
- The black pixels you walked over will be the contour of the pattern.
- This works best with 4-connectivity as it only checks left and right and misses diagonal directions.



http://www.imageprocessingplace.com/downloads_V3/root_downloads/tutorials/contour_tracing_Abeer_George_Ghuneim/square.html

Contour tracing- Moore Boundary Tracing algorithm

- Moore neighborhood of a pixel, P , is the set of 8 pixels
- start at the bottom left corner of the grid, scan each column of pixels from the bottom going upwards -starting from the leftmost column and proceeding to the right- until we encounter a black pixel.
- We'll declare that pixel as our "**start**" pixel.
- every time you hit a black pixel, P , backtrack i.e. go back to the white pixel you were previously standing on, then, go **around** pixel P in a clockwise direction, visiting each pixel in its Moore neighborhood, until you hit a black pixel.
- The algorithm terminates when the start pixel is visited for a second time.
The black pixels you walked over will be the contour of the pattern.



Snake Contour

- `def image_show(image, nrows=1, ncols=1, cmap='gray'):`
- `fig, ax = plt.subplots(nrows=nrows, ncols=ncols, figsize=(14, 14))`
- `ax.imshow(image, cmap='gray')`
- `ax.axis('off')`
- `return fig, ax`
- `def circle_points(resolution, center, radius):`
- `#Generate points which define a circle on an image`
- `# Centre refers to the centre of the circle`
`radians = np.linspace(0, 2*np.pi, resolution)`
- `c = center[1] + radius*np.cos(radians)`
- `#polar co-ordinates`
- `r = center[0] + radius*np.sin(radians)`
- `return np.array([c, r]).T`

`# Exclude last point because a closed path should not have duplicate points`

`points = circle_points(200, [80, 250], 80)[: -1]`

`fig, ax = image_show(img1)`

`ax.plot(points[:, 0], points[:, 1], '--r', lw=3)`

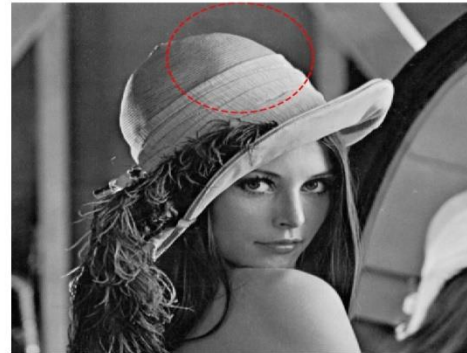
`import skimage.segmentation as seg`

`snake = seg.active_contour(img1, points)`

`fig, ax = image_show(img1)`

`ax.plot(points[:, 0], points[:, 1], '--r', lw=3)`

`ax.plot(snake[:, 0], snake[:, 1], '-b', lw=3);`





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<<Epilogue>>

- We will meet in next scheduled lecture.
- Implement and try code in python.
- Feel free to ask your questions.
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Thank You!

