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Digital Image Processing

形態學的 Chapter 9

Morphological Image Processing

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Some Basic Concepts from Set Theory

- Let A be a set in \mathbb{Z}^2 . If a is an element of A , then we write $a \in A$
- If a is not an element of A , we write $a \notin A$
- The set with no elements is called the null or empty set and denoted by the symbol \emptyset .
- A is a subset of B , denoted as $A \subseteq B$
- The union of two sets A and B , denoted by $C = A \cup B$
- The intersection of two sets A and B , denoted by $D = A \cap B$

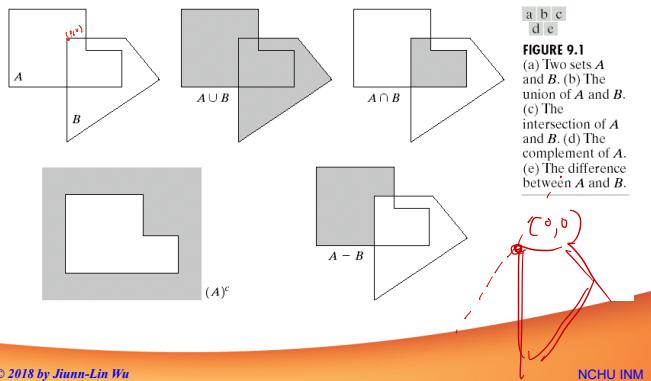
Morphological Image Processing

- We use mathematical morphology as a tool for extracting image component that are useful in the representation and description of region shape, such as boundaries, skeletons and the convex hull.
- We are interested also in morphological techniques for pre or postprocessing, such as morphological filtering, thinning, an pruning.
- The language of mathematical morphology is set theory. As such, morphology offers a unified and powerful approach to numerous image processing problems.
- Tools like morphology and related concepts are a cornerstone of the mathematical foundation that is utilized for extracting "meaning" from an image.

Some Basic Concepts from Set Theory

- Two sets A and B are said to be disjoint or mutually exclusive if they have no common elements. $A \cap B = \emptyset$
- The complement of a set A is the set of elements not contained in A : $A^c = \{w \mid w \notin A\}$
- The difference of two sets A and B , denoted $A-B$, is defined as $A-B = \{w \mid w \in A, w \notin B\} = A \cap B^c$

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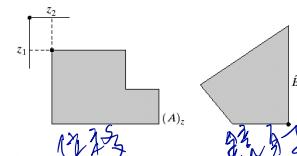
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- The reflection of set B, denoted \hat{B} , is defined as

$$\hat{B} = \{w \mid w = -b, \text{ for } b \in B\}$$

- The translation of set A by point $z = (z_1, z_2)$, denoted $(A)_z$, is defined as

$$(A)_z = \{c \mid c = a + z, \text{ for } a \in A\}$$

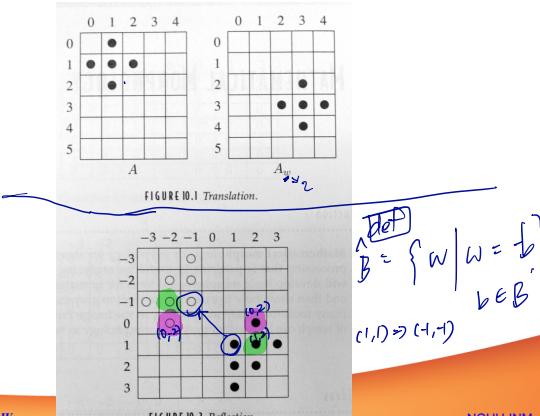


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FIGURE 9.2
(a) Translation of A by z .
(b) Reflection of B. The sets A and B are from Fig. 9.1.

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FIGURE 10.2 Reflection.

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Logic Operations Involving Binary Images

- Logic operations, although simple in nature, provide a powerful complement to implementation of image processing algorithms based on morphology.
- The principle logic operations used in image processing are AND, OR, and NOT(COMPLEMENT).
- They are functionally complete.

TABLE 9.1
The three basic logical operations.

p	q	$p \text{ AND } q$ (also $p \cdot q$)	$p \text{ OR } q$ (also $p + q$)	$\text{NOT}(p)$ (also \bar{p})
0	0	0	0	1
0	1	0	1	1
1	0	0	1	0
1	1	1	1	0

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Logic Operations Involving Binary Images

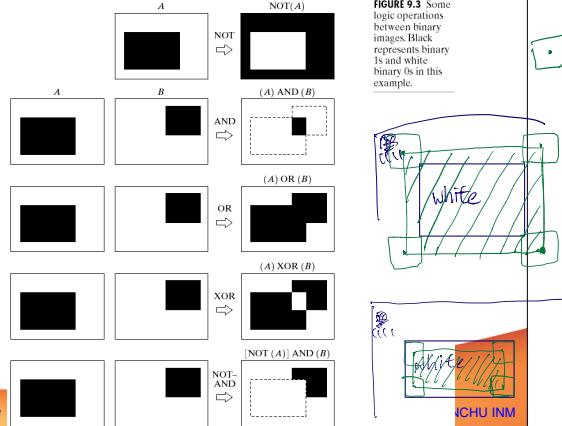


FIGURE 9.3 Some logic operations between binary images. Black represents binary 1s and white binary 0s in this example.

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Dilation and Erosion

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- These operations are fundamental to morphological processing.
 - Dilation: With A and B as set in Z^2 , the dilation of A by B , denoted $A \oplus B$, is defined as

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

- **Erosion:** For sets A and B in Z^2 the erosion of A by B , denoted $A \ominus B$, is defined as

$$A \ominus B = \left\{ z \mid (\hat{B})_z \subseteq A \right\}$$

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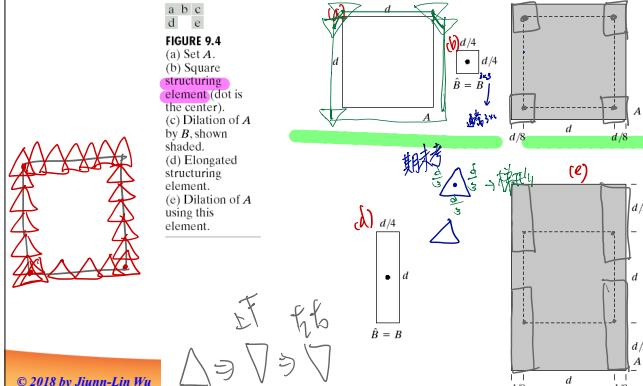


FIGURE 8

- FIGURE 9.4**
 (a) Set A .
 (b) Square
structuring element (dot is the center).
 (c) Dilation of A by B , shown shaded.
 (d) Elongated structuring element.
 (e) Dilation of A using this element.

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Dilation

- One of the simplest applications of dilation is for bridging gaps.
 - One immediate advantage of the morphological approach over the lowpass filtering is it resulted directly in a binary image.

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FIGURE 9.5

- FIGURE 9.5**

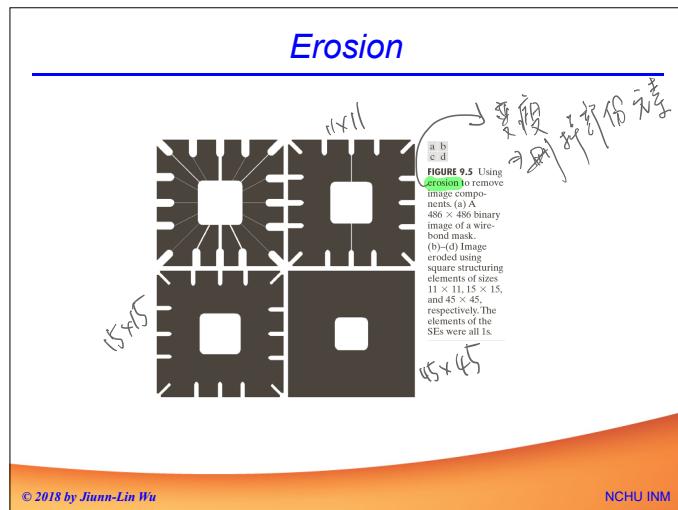
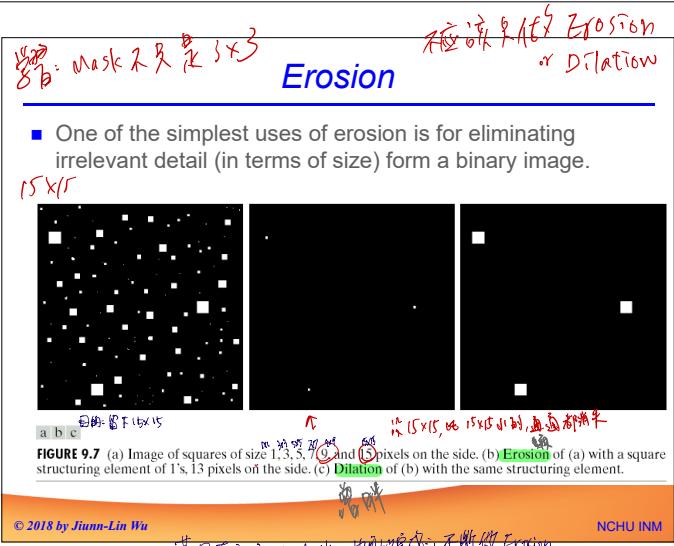
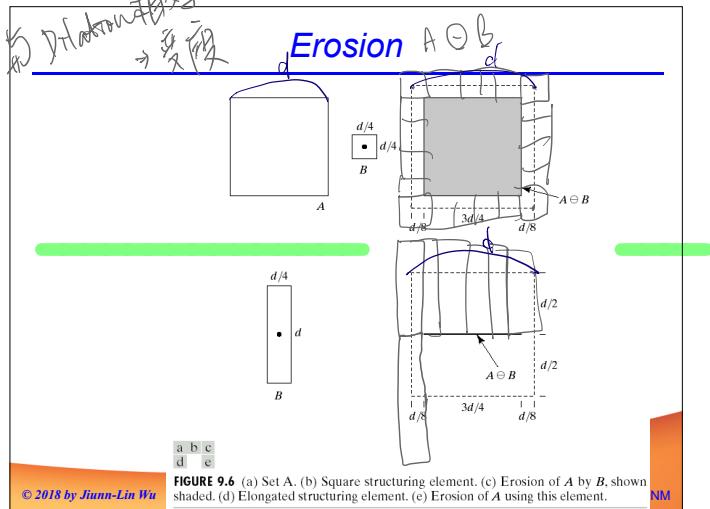
 - (a) Sample text of poor resolution with broken characters (magnified view).
 - (b) Structuring element.
 - (c) Dilation of (a) by (b). Broken segments were

joined.

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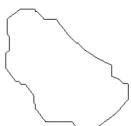
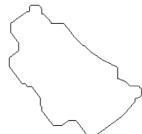
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使用Morphology於CAD縮編的結果

■ Mask size: 11x11

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Closing

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■ Closing also tends to smooth sections of contours but, as opposed to opening, it generally fuses narrow breaks and long thin gulfs, eliminates small holes, and fills gaps in the contour.

$$A \bullet B = (A \oplus B) \ominus B$$

erosion
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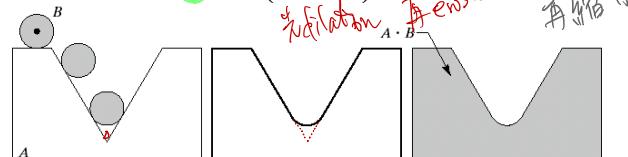


FIGURE 9.9 (a) Structuring element B “rolling” on the outer boundary of set A. (b) Heavy line is the outer boundary of the closing. (c) Complete closing (shaded).

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Opening

■ Opening generally smoothes the contour of an object, breaks narrow isthmuses, and eliminates thin protrusions.

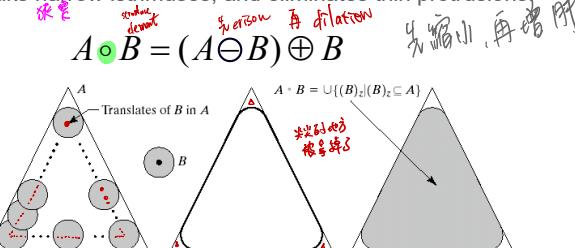


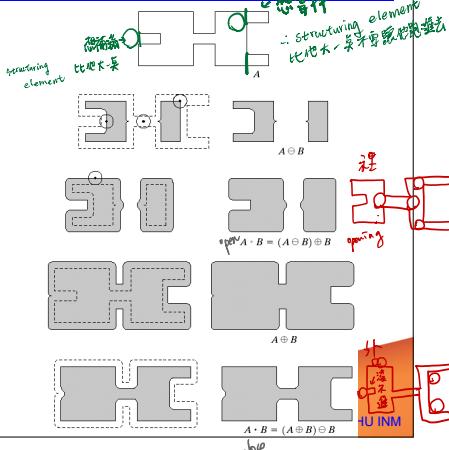
FIGURE 9.8 (a) Structuring element B “rolling” along the inner boundary of A (the dot indicates the origin of B). (c) The heavy line is the outer boundary of the opening. (d) Complete opening (shaded).

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Opening and Closing

FIGURE 9.10 Morphological opening and closing. The structuring element is the small circle shown in various positions in (b). The dark dot is the center of the structuring element.



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Opening and Closing

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大笑

- Morphological operations can be used to construct filters similar in concept to the spatial filters.
- The objective is to eliminate the noise and its effects on the print while distorting it as little as possible.
- A morphological filter consisting of opening followed by closing can be used to accomplish this objective.
- The final result is remarkably clean of noise specks, but it has the disadvantage that some of the print ridges were not fully repaired, and thus contain breaks.

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Opening and Closing

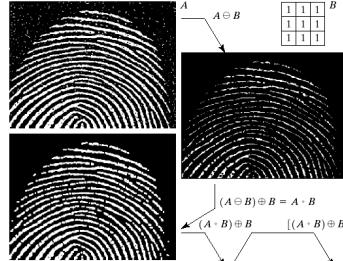


FIGURE 9.11

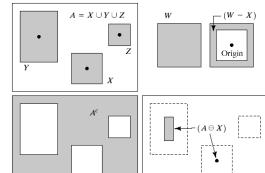
(a) Noisy image.
(c) Eroded image.
(d) Opening of A.
(e) Closing of the opening.
(f) Closing of the opening. (Original image for this example courtesy of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.)

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The Hit-or-Miss Transformation

$$A \circledast B = (A \ominus X) \cap [A^c \ominus (W - X)]$$



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哪裡並標出來

*想在一堆東西裡面找你要的某
一個形狀（東西）在哪裡標出來

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The Hit-or-Miss Transformation

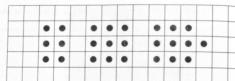


FIGURE 10.6 An image A containing a shape to be found.



FIGURE 10.7 The erosion $A \oplus B$.

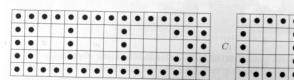


FIGURE 10.8 The complement and the second structuring element.



FIGURE 10.9 The erosion $A \oplus C$.

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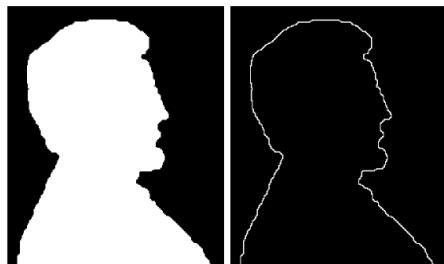
Some Basic Morphological Algorithms

- When dealing with binary images, the principal application of morphology is extracting image components that are useful in the representation and description of shape.
- In particular, we consider morphological algorithms for extracting boundaries, connected components, the convex hull, and the skeleton of a region.
- We also develop several methods (for region filling, thinning, thickening, and pruning) that are used frequently in conjunction with these algorithms as pre- or post processing steps.

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Boundary Extraction



a b

FIGURE 9.14
(a) A simple binary image, with 1's represented in white, (b) Result of using Eq. (9.5-1) with the structuring element in Fig. 9.13(b).

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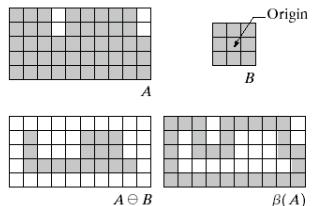
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Boundary Extraction

- $\beta(A) = A - (A \ominus B)$
- Although the structuring element shown in Fig. 9.13(b) is among the most frequently used, it is by no means unique.

a b
c d

FIGURE 9.13 (a) Set A, (b) Structuring element B, (c) A eroded by B.
(d) Boundary, given by the set difference between A and its erosion.



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Region Filling

- We develop a simple algorithm for region filling based on set dilations, complementation, and intersections.

- The following procedure fills the region with 1's:

$$X_k = (X_{k-1} \oplus B) \cap A^c \quad k=1,2,3,\dots$$

- The algorithm terminates at iteration step k if $X_k = X_{k-1}$

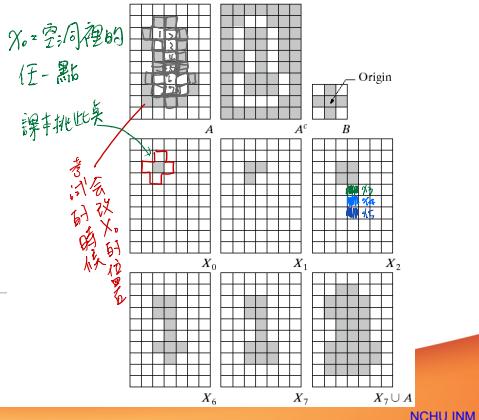
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Region Filling

FIGURE 9.15
Region filling.
(a) Set A .
(b) Complement of A .
(c) Structuring element B .
(d) Initial point inside the boundary.
(e)-(h) Various steps of Eq. (9.5-2).
(i) Final result [union of (a) and (h)].



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Extraction of Connected Components

- $X_k = (X_{k-1} \oplus B) \cap A \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
- If $X_k = X_{k-1}$, the algorithm has converged.

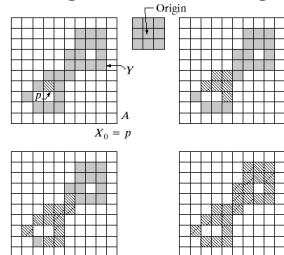


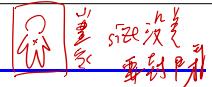
FIGURE 9.17 (a) Set A showing initial point p (all shaded points are valued 1, but are shown different from p to indicate they have not yet been found by the algorithm). (b) Structuring element. (c) Result of first iterative step. (d) Result of second step. (e) Final result.

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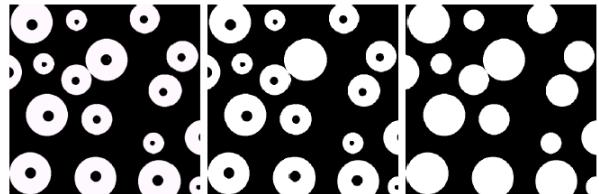
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Region Filling



- The dark spots inside the spheres are the result of reflections. The objective is to eliminate the reflections by region filling.



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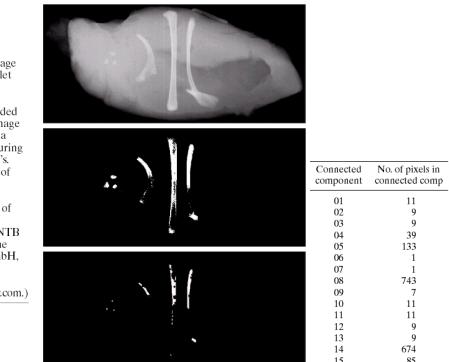
FIGURE 9.16 (a) Binary image (the white dot inside one of the regions is the starting point for the region-filling algorithm). (b) Result of filling that region (c) Result of filling all regions.

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Extraction of Connected Components

- Connected components are used frequently for automated inspection.



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Convex Hull

- A set A is said to be convex if the straight line segment joining any two points in A lies entirely within A .
 - The convex hull H of an arbitrary set S is the smallest convex set containing S .
 - The set difference $H-S$ is called the convex deficiency of S .
 - $X_k^i = (X_{k-1} \circledast B^i) \cup A \quad i = 1, 2, 3, 4 \quad \text{and} \quad k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
 - $X_0^i = A$
 - $C(A) = \bigcup_{i=1}^4 D^i$

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Convex Hull

- One obvious shortcoming of the above procedure is that the convex hull can grow beyond the minimum dimensions required to guarantee convexity.
 - One simple approach to reduce this effect is to limit growth so that it does not extend past the vertical and horizontal dimensions of the original set of points.

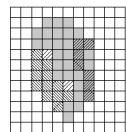
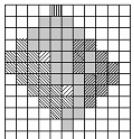


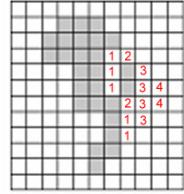
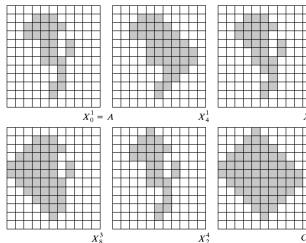
FIGURE 9.20 Result of limiting growth of convex hull algorithm to the maximum dimensions of the original set of points along the vertical and horizontal directions.

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FIGURE 9.19
 (a) Structuring elements. (b) Set A. (c)–(f) Results of convergence with the structuring elements shown in (a). (g) Convex hull. (h) Convex hull showing the contribution of each structuring element.



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Thinning  ($> - 1$) pixels.

■ $A \otimes B = A - (A \oslash B)$

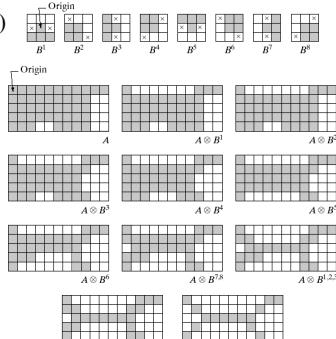
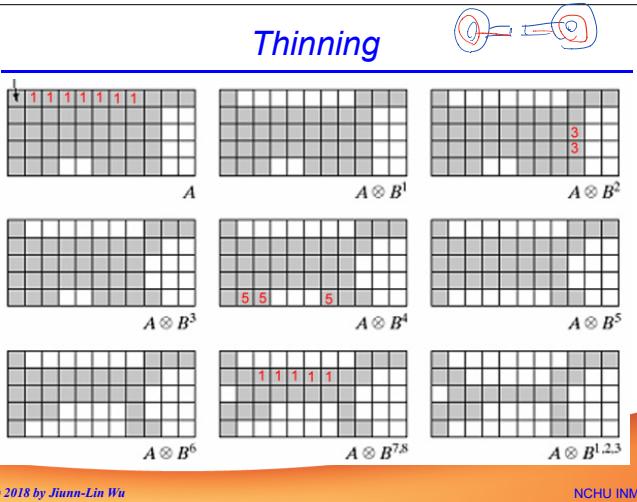


FIGURE 9.21 (a) Sequence of rotated structuring elements used for thinning. (b) Set A. (c) Result of thinning with the first element. (d)–(i) Results of thinning with the next seven elements (there was no change between the seventh and eighth elements). (j) Result of using first element again (there were no changes for the next two elements). (k) Result after convergence. (l) Conversion to m -connectivity.

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Thinning



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Thickening

- Thickening is the morphological dual of thinning and is defined by the expression

$$A \odot B = A \cup (A \otimes B)$$

- Note that Fig. 9.22(c) that the thinned background forms a boundary for the thickening process.
- This useful feature is one of the reasons for using background thinning to accomplish thickening.

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Thickening

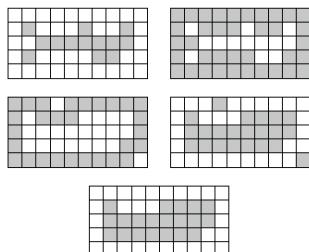


FIGURE 9.22 (a) Set A . (b) Complement of A . (c) Result of thinning the complement of A . (d) Thickened set obtained by complementing (c). (e) Final result, with no disconnected points.

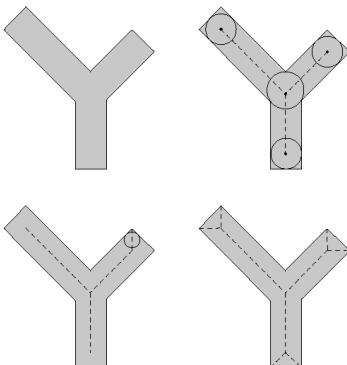
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Skeletons

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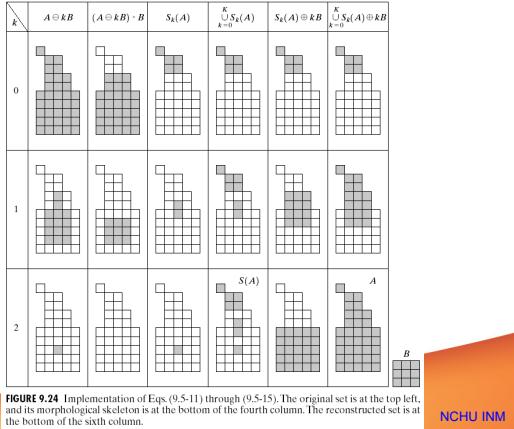
FIGURE 9.23
(a) Set A .
(b) Various positions of maximum disks with centers on the skeleton of A .
(c) Another maximum disk on a different segment of the skeleton of A .
(d) Complete skeleton.



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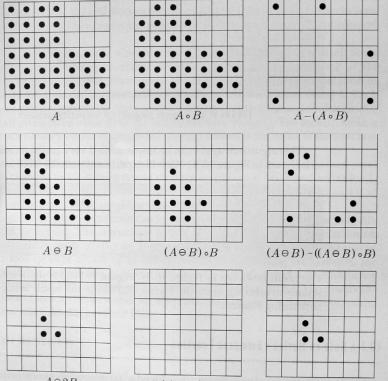
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Skeletons

TABLE 10.1 Operations used to construct the skeleton.

Erosions Openings Set differences

A	$A \oplus B$	$A - (A \ominus B)$
$A \ominus B$	$(A \ominus B) \circ B$	$(A \ominus B) - ((A \ominus B) \circ B)$
$A \ominus 2B$	$(A \ominus 2B) \circ B$	$(A \ominus 2B) - ((A \ominus 2B) \circ B)$
$A \ominus 3B$	$(A \ominus 3B) \circ B$	$(A \ominus 3B) - ((A \ominus 3B) \circ B)$
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
$A \ominus kB$	$(A \ominus kB) \circ B$	$(A \ominus kB) - ((A \ominus kB) \circ B)$



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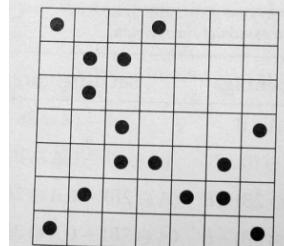
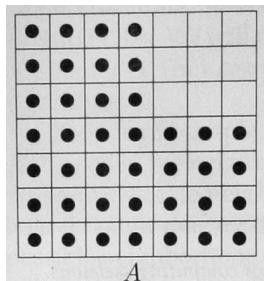


FIGURE 10.29 The final skeleton.

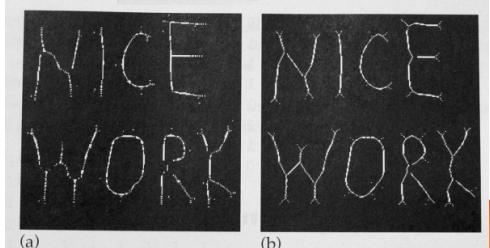
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Skeletons

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FIGURE 10.31 Skeletonization of a binary image.

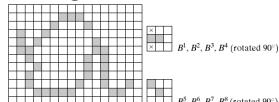
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Pruning 支幹修剪

- Pruning methods are an essential complement to thinning and skeletonizing algorithms because these procedures tend to leave parasitic components that need to be “cleaned up” by postprocessing.

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FIGURE 9.25
(a) Original image, (b) and (c) Structuring elements used for deleting end points, (d) Result of three cycles of pruning, (e) End points of (d), (f) Dilation of end points computed on (a), (g) Pruned image.



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Summary of Morphological Operations on Binary Images

Hit-or-miss transform <small>給一個封閉的框框可以把它填滿</small>	$A \odot B = (A \ominus B_1) \cap (A' \ominus B_2)$ $= (A \ominus B_1) - (A \oplus \hat{B}_2)$	The set of points (coordinates) at which, simultaneously, B_1 found a match (“hit”) in A and B_2 found a match in A' .
Boundary extraction	$\beta(A) = A - (A \ominus B)$	Set of points on the boundary of set A . (I)
Region filling	$X_k = (X_{k-1} \oplus B) \cap A^c; X_0 = p$ and $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	Fills a region in A , given a point p in the region. (II)
Connected components	$X_k = (X_{k-1} \oplus B) \cap A; X_0 = p$ and $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$	Finds a connected component Y in A , given a point p in Y . (I)
Convex hull	$X_k^i = (X_{k-1}^i \ominus B^i) \cup A; i = 1, 2, 3, 4;$ $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots; X_0^i = A$; and $D^i = X_{\text{conv}}^i$	Finds the convex hull $C(A)$ of set A , where “conv” indicates convergence in the sense that $X_k^i = X_{k-1}^i$. (III)

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Summary of Morphological Operations on Binary Images

TABLE 9.2
Summary of morphological operations and their properties.

Operation	Equation	Comments
Translation	$(A)_z = \{w \mid w = a + z, \text{ for } a \in A\}$	Translates the origin of A to point z .
Reflection	$\hat{B} = \{w \mid w = -b, \text{ for } b \in B\}$	Reflects all elements of B about the origin of this set.
Complement	$A' = \{w \mid w \notin A\}$	Set of points not in A .
Difference	$A - B = \{w \mid w \in A, w \notin B\}$ $= A \cap B^c$	Set of points that belong to A but not to B .
Dilation	$A \oplus B = \{z \mid (B)_z \cap A \neq \emptyset\}$	“Expands” the boundary of A . (I)
Erosion	$A \ominus B = \{z \mid (B)_z \subseteq A\}$	“Contracts” the boundary of A . (I)
Opening	$A \circ B = (A \ominus B) \oplus B$	Smooths contours, breaks narrow isthmuses, and eliminates small islands and sharp peaks. (I)
Closing	$A * B = (A \oplus B) \ominus B$	Smooths contours, fuses narrow breaks and long thin gulfs, and eliminates small holes. (I)

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(The Roman numerals refer to the structuring elements shown in Fig. 9.26.)

Summary of Morphological Operations on Binary Images

TABLE 9.2
Summary of morphological results and their properties.
(continued)

Operation	Equation	Comments
Thinning	$A \otimes B = A - (A \odot B)$ $= A \cap (A \odot B)^c$	Thins set A . The first two equations give the basic definition of thinning. The last two equations denote thinning by a sequence of structuring elements. This method is normally used in practice. (IV)
	$A \otimes \{B\} =$ $((\dots((A \otimes B^1) \otimes B^2) \dots) \otimes B^n)$ $\{B\} = \{B^1, B^2, B^3, \dots, B^n\}$	
Thickening	$A \odot B = A \cup (A \oplus B)$ $A \odot \{B\} =$ $((\dots((A \odot B^1) \odot B^2) \dots) \odot B^n)$ \dots	Thickens set A . (See preceding comments on sequences of structuring elements.) Uses IV's and I's reversed.

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Skeletons	$S(A) = \bigcup_{k=0}^{\infty} S_k(A)$  $S_k(A) = \bigcup_{k=0}^K \{(A \ominus kB) - [(A \ominus kB) \circ B]\}$ Reconstruction of A: $A = \bigcup_{k=0}^K (S_k(A) \oplus kB)$	Finds the skeleton $S(A)$ of set A . The last equation indicates that A can be reconstructed from its skeleton subsets $S_k(A)$. In all three equations, K is the value of the iteration step after which the set A erodes to the empty set. The notation $(A \ominus kB)$ denotes the k th iteration of successive erosion of A by B . (I)
Pruning	$X_1 = A \otimes \{B\}$ $X_2 = \bigcup_{k=1}^8 (X_1 \otimes B^k)$ $X_3 = (X_2 \oplus H) \cap A$ $X_4 = X_1 \cup X_3$	X_4 is the result of pruning set A . The number of times that the first equation is applied to obtain X_1 must be specified. Structuring elements V are used for the first two equations. In the third equation H denotes structuring element I.

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Summary of Morphological Operations on Binary Images

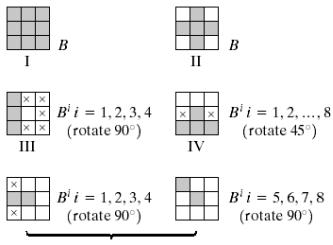


FIGURE 9.26 Five basic types of structuring elements used for binary morphology. The origin of each element is at its center and the \times 's indicate "don't care" values.

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Gray-Scale Morphology

- We extend to gray-scale images the basic operations of dilation, erosion, opening and closing.
- We then use these operations to develop several basic gray-scale morphological algorithms. In particular, we develop algorithms for boundary extraction via a morphological gradient operations, and for region partitioning based on texture content.
- We also discuss algorithms for smoothing and sharpening, which often are useful as pre- or postprocessing steps.

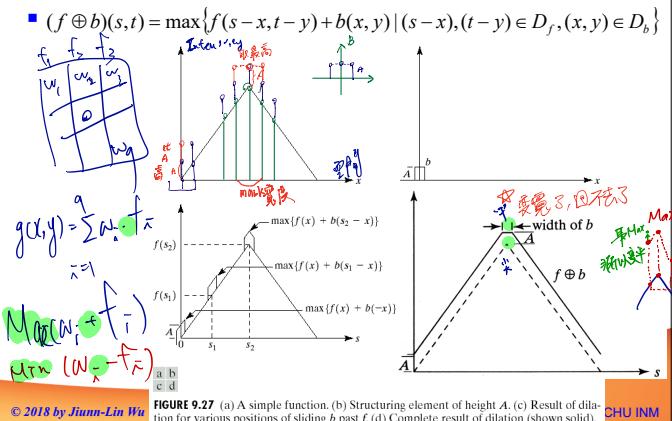
$$A * B = \sum_i^q A_i \times W_i$$

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Dilation 局部亮點被拉寬



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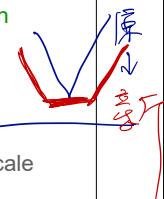
FIGURE 9.27 (a) A simple function. (b) Structuring element of height A . (c) Result of dilation for various positions of sliding b past f . (d) Complete result of dilation (shown solid).

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Dilation

- It is similar to 2-D convolution, with the max operation replacing the sums of convolution and the addition replacing the products of convolution.
- The general effect of performing dilation on a gray-scale image is twofold:
 - If all the values of the structuring element are positive, the output image tends to be brighter than the input.
 - Dark details either are reduced or eliminated, depending on how their values and shapes relate to the structuring element used for dilation.

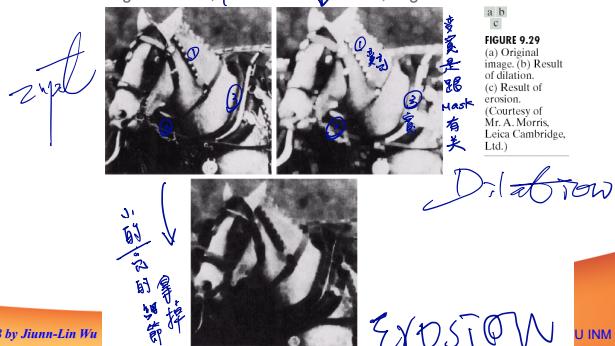
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Dilation and Erosion

- Dilation is expected to produce an image that is brighter than the original and in which small, dark details have been reduced or eliminated.
- The eroded image is darker, and the sizes of small, bright features are reduced.



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Erosion

擴散多大？跟 structure element 一樣

- $(f \ominus b)(s, t) = \min\{f(s+x, t+y) - b(x, y) | (s+x, t+y) \in D_f, (x, y) \in D_b\}$
- It is similar in form of 2-D correlation, with the min operations replacing the sums of correlation and subtraction replacing the products of correlation.

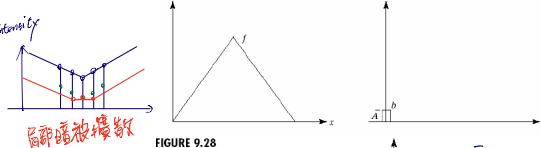
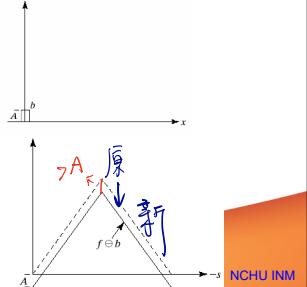


FIGURE 9.28
Erosion of the function shown in Fig. 9.27(a) by the structuring element shown in Fig. 9.27(b).

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參考

Opening and Closing

- Opening $A \circ B = (A \ominus B) \oplus B$
- Closing $A \bullet B = (A \oplus B) \ominus B$

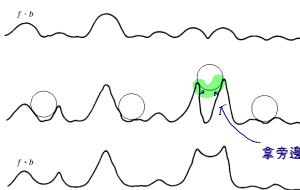
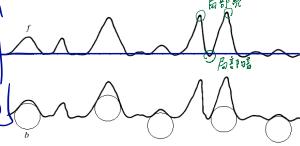
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拿掉小的亮的細節

Closing: 球在上面跑, structure element比暗的地方稍微大一點, 局部暗點被補起來
拿掉小的暗的東西

Dilation
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FIGURE 9.30
(a) A gray-scale image.
(b) Positions of rolling ball for opening.
(c) Result of opening.

(d) Positions of rolling ball for closing.
(e) Result of closing.



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Opening and Closing

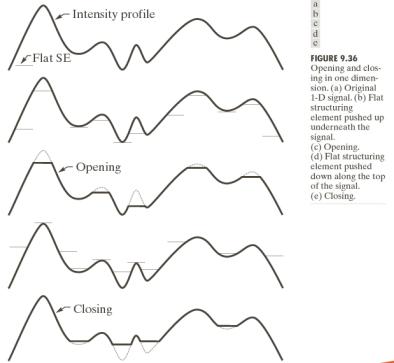


FIGURE 9.26
Opening and closing in one dimension. (a) Original 1-D signal. (b) Flat structuring element pushed up underneath the signal. (c) Opening. (d) Flat structuring element pushed down all the top of the signal. (e) Closing.

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Opening and Closing

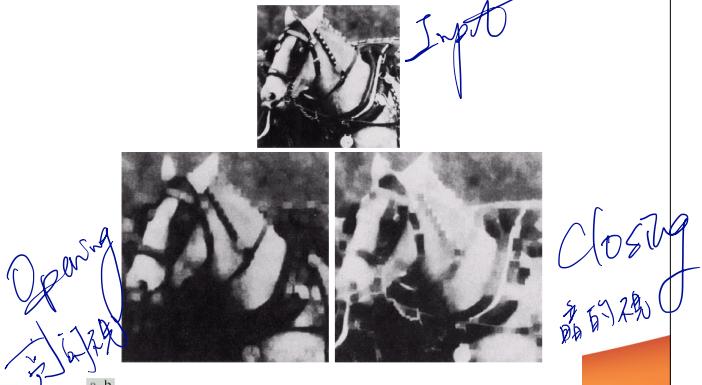
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- In practical applications, opening operations usually are applied to remove small (with respect to the size of the structuring element) light details, while leaving the overall gray levels and larger bright features relatively undisturbed.
- In practice, closing is generally used to remove dark details from an image, while leaving bright features relatively undisturbed.

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Opening and Closing



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FIGURE 9.31 (a) Opening and (b) closing of Fig. 9.29(a). (Courtesy of Mr. A. Morris,

Opening and Closing

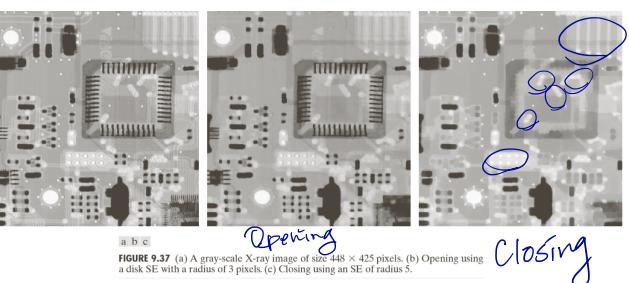


FIGURE 9.37 (a) A gray-scale X-ray image of size 448 × 425 pixels. (b) Opening using a disk SE with a radius of 3 pixels (c) Closing using an SE of radius 5.

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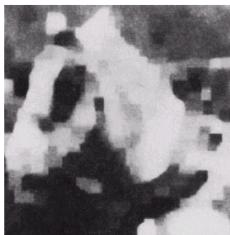
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Morphological Smoothing Morphological Gradient

- One way to achieve smoothing is to perform a morphological opening followed by a closing.
- The net result of these two operations is to remove or attenuate both bright and dark artifacts or noise.

只要是小的細節就被拿掉
不管暗亮
(做closing opening)
(dilation->erosion
->erosion->dilation)



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FIGURE 9.32 Morphological smoothing of the image in Fig. 9.29(a). (Courtesy of Mr. A. Morris, Leica Cambridge, Ltd.)

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Morphological Gradient

- Dilation and erosion often are used to compute the morphological gradient of an image, denote g :
$$g = (f \oplus b) - (f \ominus b)$$
- The morphological gradient highlights sharp gray-level transitions in the input image.
- Morphological gradients obtained using symmetrical structuring elements tend to depend less on edge directionality.

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Morphological Smoothing

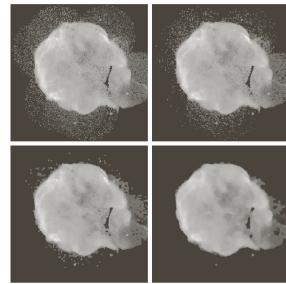
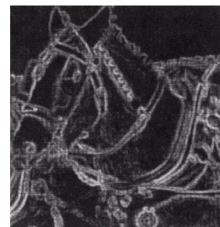


FIGURE 9.33
(a) 566 × 566 image of the Cygnus Loop supernova taken in the X-ray band by NASA's Hubble Space Telescope.
(b)-(d) Results of performing opening and closing sequences on the original image with disk structuring elements of radii 1, 3, and 5, respectively.
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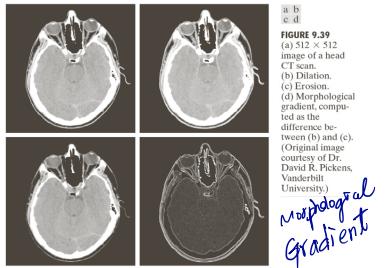
Morphological Gradient



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FIGURE 9.33 Morphological gradient of the image in Fig. 9.29(a). (Courtesy of Mr. A. Morris, Leica Cambridge, Ltd.)

Morphological Gradient



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Top-hat Transformation



FIGURE 9.40 Using the top-hat transformation for shading correction. (a) Original image of size 600 × 600 pixels. (b) Thresholded image. (c) Image opened using a disk SE of radius 40. (d) Top-hat transformation (the image minus its opening).

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把影像暗部細節抓出來 opening 會把局部亮拿掉
拿原始影像減做 opening 結果，局部亮就被抓出來

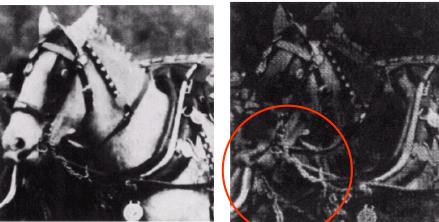
Top-hat Transformation

- The so-called morphological top-hat transformation of an image, denoted h , is defined as

$$h = f - (f \circ b)$$

原圖 - opening
被剪掉的部份

- It is useful for enhancing detail in the presence of shading.



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FIGURE 9.34 Result of performing a top-hat transformation on the image of Fig. 9.29(a). (Courtesy of Mr. A. Morris, Leica Cambridge, Ltd.)

Granulometry

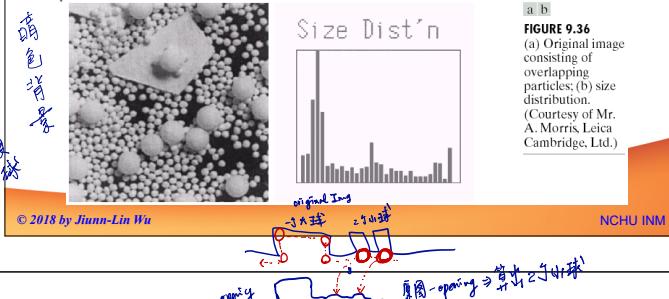
- Granulometry is a field that deals principally with determining the size distribution of particles in an image.
- The approach is based on the idea that opening operations of a particular size have the most effect on regions of the input image that contain particles of similar size.
- Thus, a measure of the relative number of such particles is obtained by computing the difference between the input and output images.

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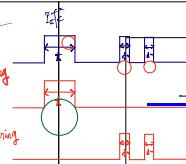
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Granulometry

- Opening operations with structuring elements of increasing size are performed on the original image. The difference between the original image and its opening is computed after each pass when a different structuring element is completed. At the end of the process, these differences are normalized and then used to construct a histogram of particle-size distribution.



a b
FIGURE 9.36
 (a) Original image consisting of overlapping particles; (b) size distribution.
 (Courtesy of Mr. A. Morris, Leica Cambridge, Ltd.)



Granulometry

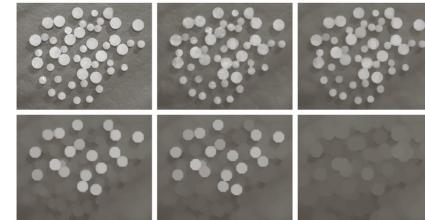
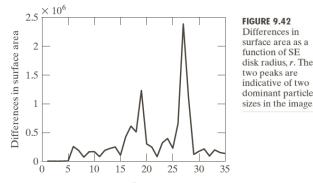


FIGURE 9.41
 (a) 531×675 image of wood dowels; (b) Smoothed image; (c)-(f) Openings of (b) with disks of radii equal to 10, 20, 25, and 30 pixels, respectively.
 (Original image courtesy of Dr. Steve Eddins, The MathWorks, Inc.)

Granulometry

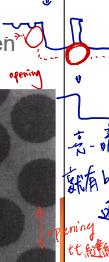
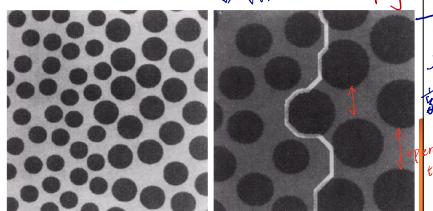


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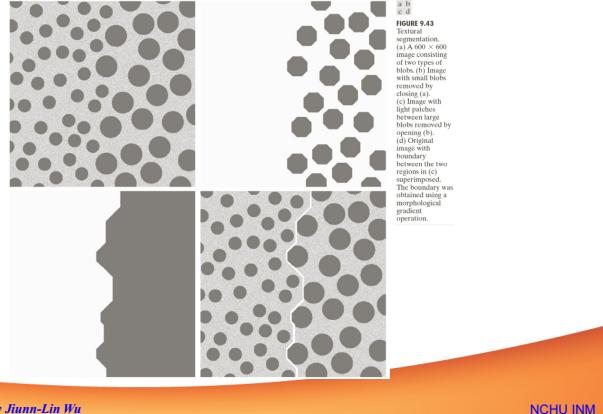
Textural Segmentation

- Because closing tends to remove dark details from an image, the procedure in this particular case is to close the input image by using successively larger structuring elements.
- Next, a single opening is performed with a structuring element that is large in relation to the separation between the large blobs.

FIGURE 9.35
 (a) Original image, (b) Image showing boundary between regions of different texture.
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Textural Segmentation



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Gray-Scale Morphological Reconstruction



FIGURE 6.44 (a) Original image of size 1134×1860 pixels. (b) Opening by reconstruction of (a) using a horizontal line 71 pixels long in the erosion. (c) Opening of (a) using the same line. (d) Top-hat by reconstruction. (e) Top-hat. (f) Opening by reconstruction of (d) using a horizontal line 11 pixels long. (g) Dilation of (f) using a horizontal line 21 pixels long. (h) Minimum of (d) and (g). (i) Final reconstruction result. (Images courtesy of Dr. Steve Eddins, The MathWorks, Inc.)

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