



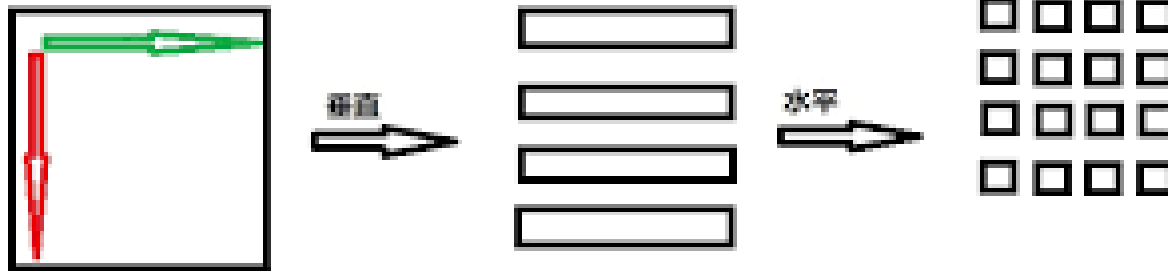
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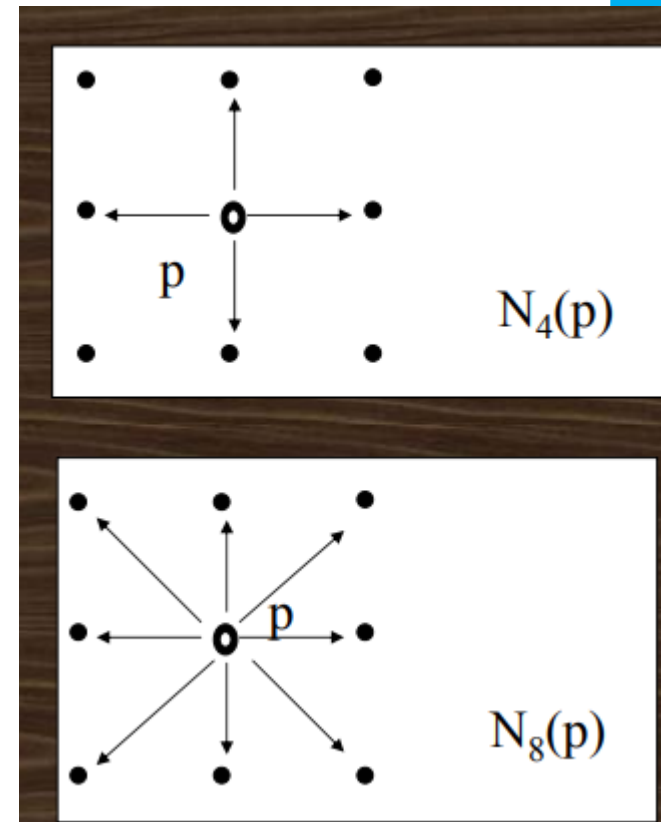
Guess Today's Topic???



A pixel p at (x,y) has 4-horizontal/vertical neighbours at $(x+1,y)$, $(x-1,y)$, $(x,y+1)$ and $(x,y-1)$. These are called the **4-neighbours of p** : **$N_4(p)$** .

A pixel p at (x,y) has 4 diagonal neighbours at $(x+1,y+1)$, $(x+1,y-1)$, $(x-1,y+1)$ and $(x-1,y-1)$. These are called the **diagonal-neighbours of p** : **$ND(p)$** .

The 4-neighbours and the diagonal neighbours of p are called **8-neighbours of p** : **$N_8(p)$** .



To determine whether the pixels are adjacent in some sense.

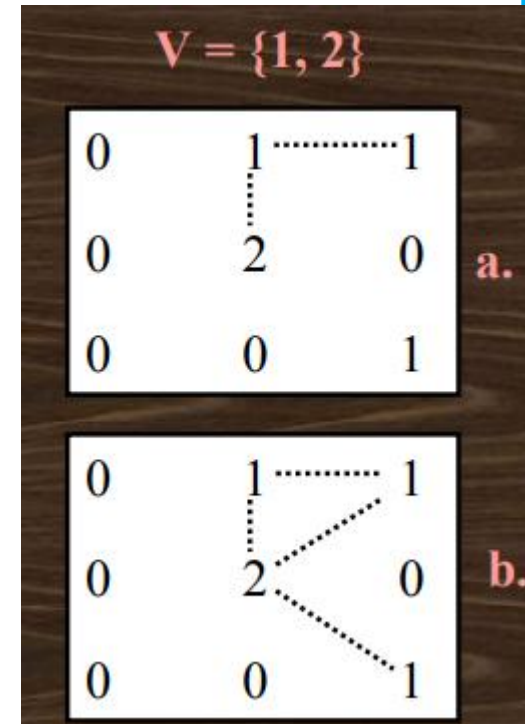
Let V be the set of gray-level values used to define connectivity;
then Two pixels p, q that have values from the set V

We consider three types of adjacency:

a) 4-adjacency: Two pixels p and q with values from V are 4-adjacent if q is in the set $N_4(p)$.

b) 8-adjacency: Two pixels p and q with values from V are 8-adjacent if q is in the set $N_8(p)$.

c) m-adjacency(mixed adjacency): Two pixels p and q with values from V are m-adjacent if
1) q is in $N_4(p)$, or
2) q is in $ND(p)$ and the set $N_4(p) \cap N_4(q)$ has no pixels whose values are from V .





Connectivity between pixels



- It is an important concept in digital image processing.
- It is used for establishing boundaries of objects and components of regions in an image.
- Two pixels are said to be connected:
 - if they are adjacent in some sense (neighbour pixels, 4/8/m-adjacency)
 - if their gray levels satisfy a specified criterion of similarity (equal intensity level)





Connectivity between pixels (cont.)



There are three types of connectivity on the basis of adjacency. They are:

- a) **4-connectivity:** Two or more pixels are said to be 4-connected if they are 4-adjacent with each others.
- b) **8-connectivity:** Two or more pixels are said to be 8-connected if they are 8-adjacent with each others.
- c) **m-connectivity:** Two or more pixels are said to be m-connected if they are m-adjacent with each others

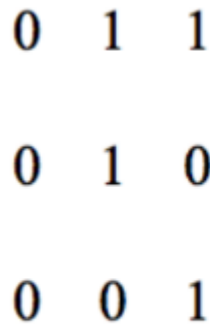


Fig: An arrangement of pixels

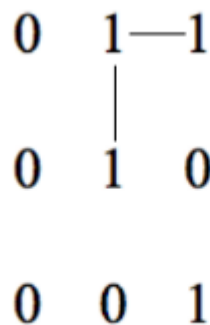


Fig: 4-connectivity of pixels

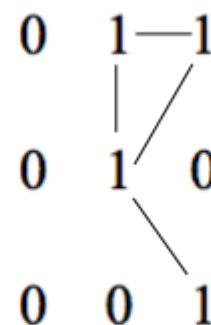


Fig: 8-connectivity of pixels

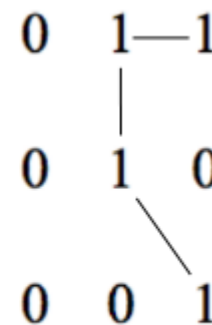


Fig: m-connectivity of pixels





Distance Measures



For pixels p , q , and z , with coordinates (x, y) , (s, t) , and (v, w) , respectively, D is a *distance function* or *metric* if

- (a) $D(p, q) \geq 0$ ($D(p, q) = 0$ iff $p = q$),
- (b) $D(p, q) = D(q, p)$, and
- (c) $D(p, z) \leq D(p, q) + D(q, z)$.

- Euclidean distance
- D4 distance (city-block distance)
- D8 distance (chessboard distance)





THANK YOU

