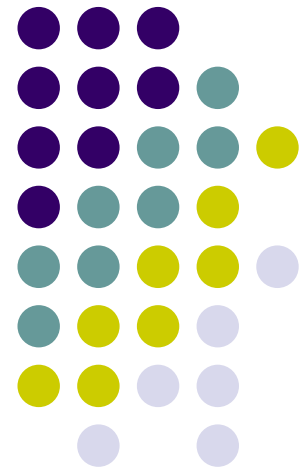


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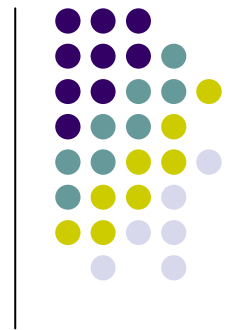
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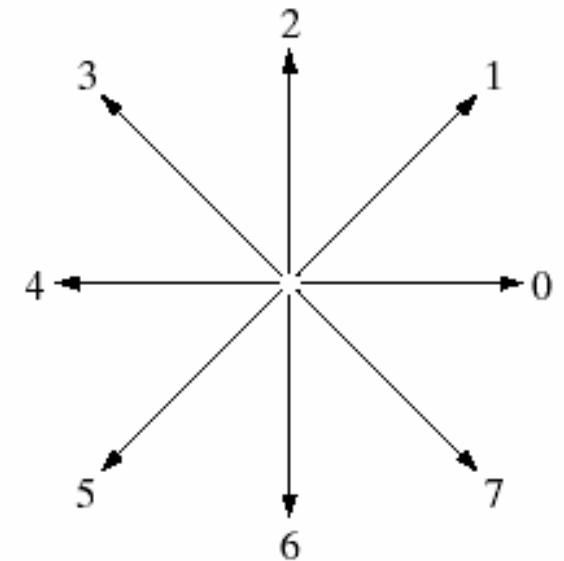
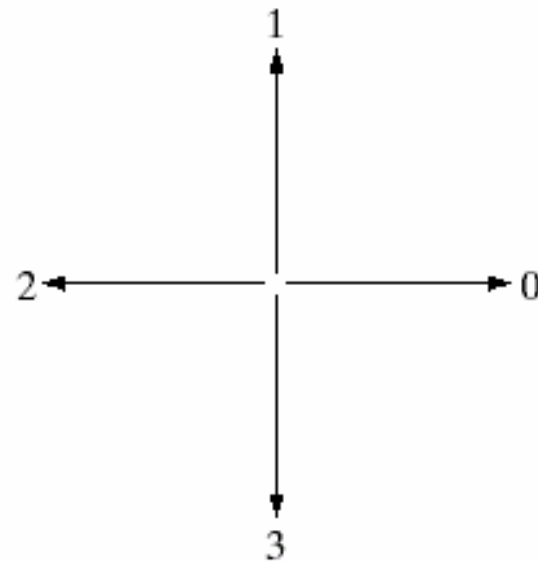
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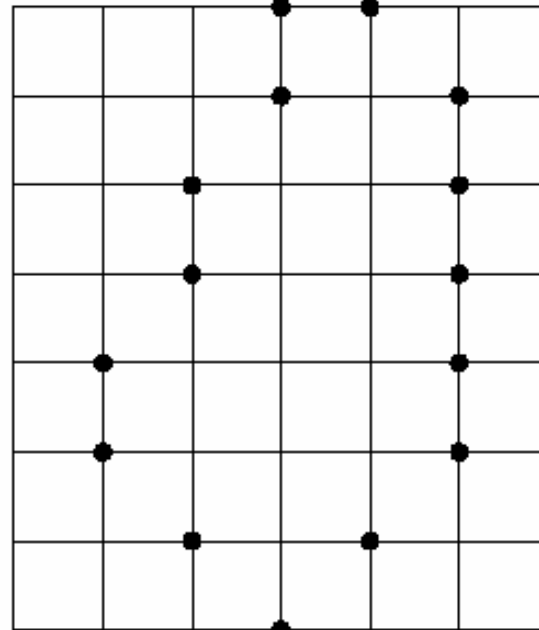
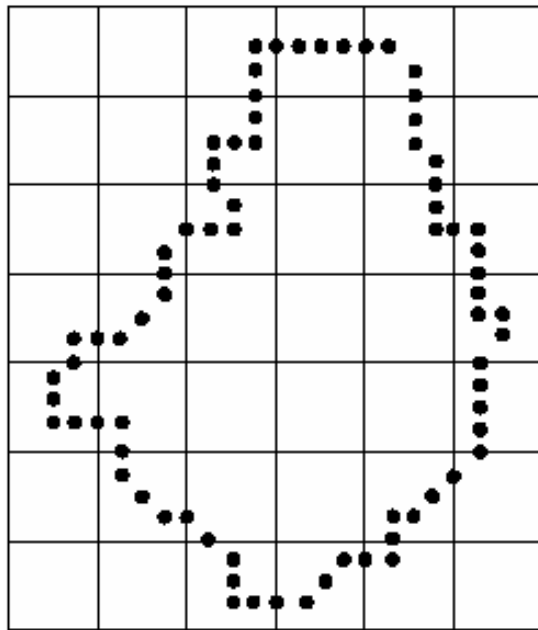


a b

FIGURE 11.1

Direction numbers for (a) 4-directional chain code, and (b) 8-directional chain code.





a	b
c	d

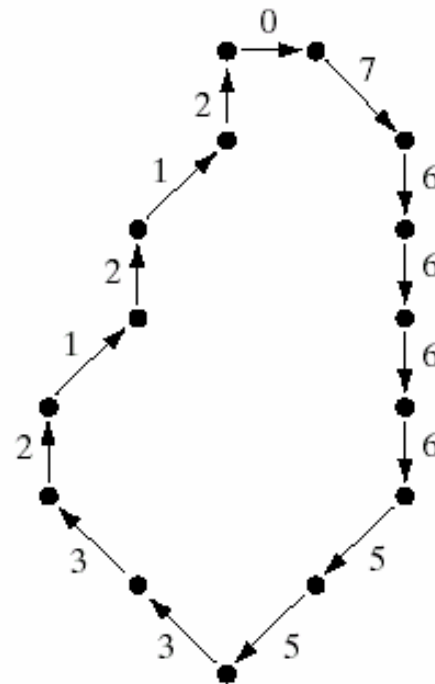
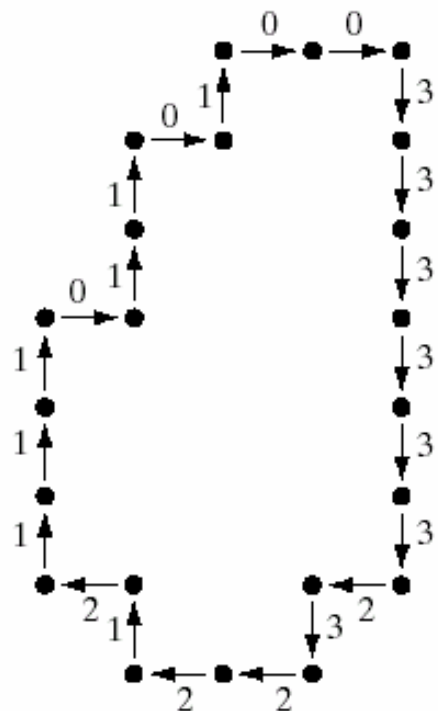
FIGURE 11.2

(a) Digital boundary with resampling grid superimposed.

(b) Result of resampling.

(c) 4-directional chain code.

(d) 8-directional chain code.





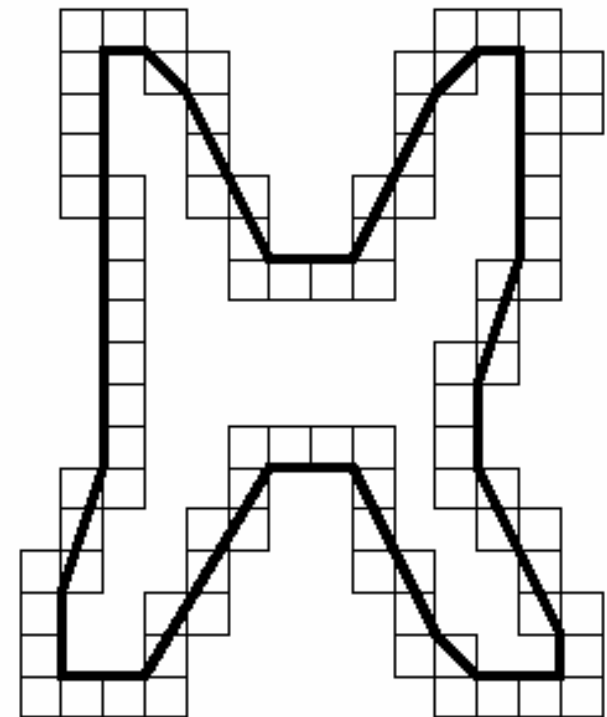
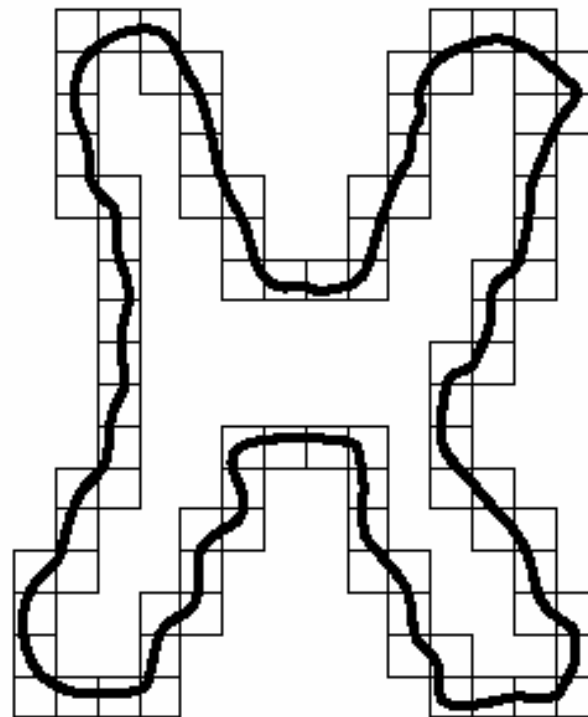
Polygonal Approximations

Minimum perimeter polygons

a b

FIGURE 11.3

(a) Object boundary enclosed by cells.
(b) Minimum perimeter polygon.





- Merging techniques
- Splitting techniques



a	b
c	d

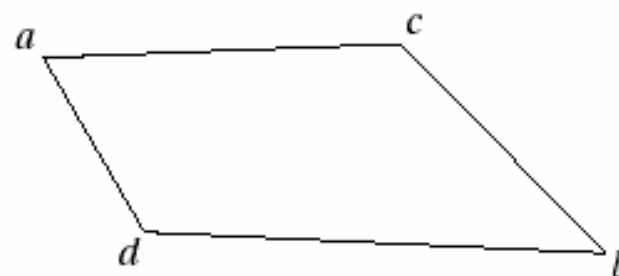
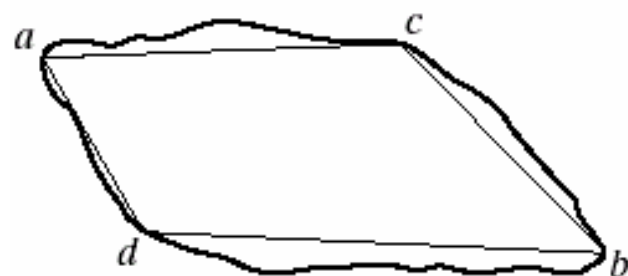
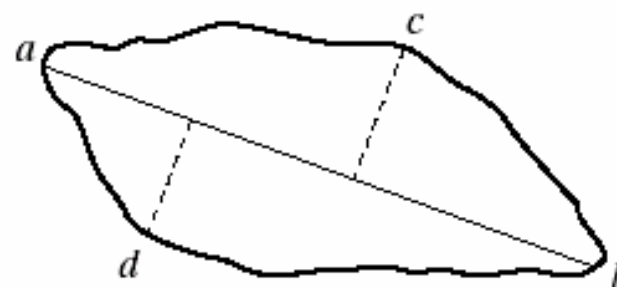
FIGURE 11.4

(a) Original boundary.

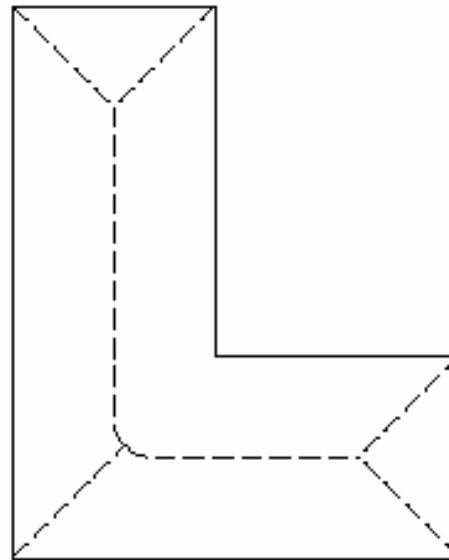
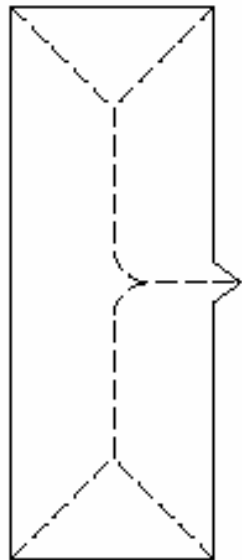
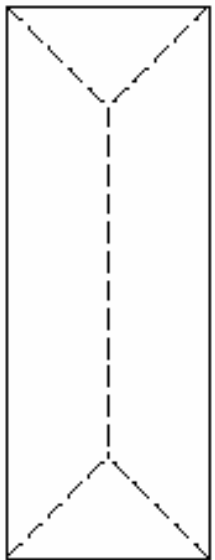
(b) Boundary divided into segments based on extreme points.

(c) Joining of vertices.

(d) Resulting polygon.



Skeletons



a b c

FIGURE 11.7
Medial axes
(dashed) of three
simple regions.



FIGURE 11.8
Neighborhood
arrangement used
by the thinning
algorithm.

p_9	p_2	p_3
p_8	p_1	p_4
p_7	p_6	p_5



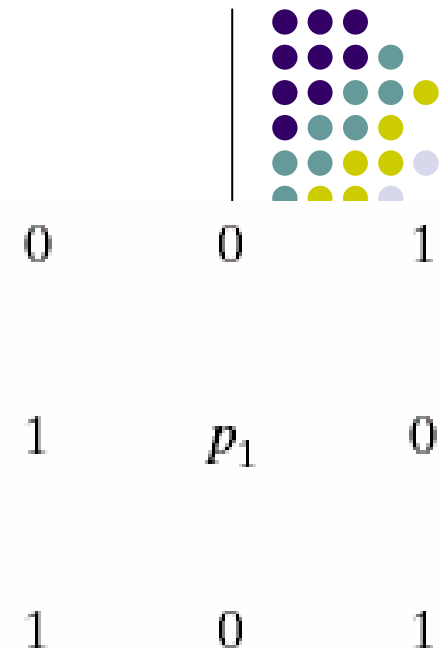
- Step 1 flags a contour point p_1 for deletion if the following conditions are satisfied:
 - (a) $2 \leq N(p_1) \leq 6$
 - (b) $T(p_1) = 1$
 - (c) $p_2 * p_4 * p_6 = 0$
 - (d) $p_4 * p_6 * p_8 = 0$
- $N(p_1)$ is the number of nonzero neighbors of p_1 ; that is
$$N(p_1) = p_2 + p_3 + \dots + p_8 + p_9$$
- $T(p_1)$ is the number of 0-1 transitions in the ordered sequence $p_2, p_3, \dots, p_8, p_9, p_2$.



- Step 2 flags a contour point p_1 for deletion if the following conditions are satisfied:
 - (a) $2 \leq N(p_1) \leq 6$
 - (b) $T(p_1) = 1$
 - (c) $p_2 * p_4 * p_8 = 0$
 - (d) $p_2 * p_6 * p_8 = 0$

FIGURE 11.9

Illustration of conditions (a) and (b) in Eq. (11.1-1). In this case $N(p_1) = 4$ and $T(p_1) = 3$.



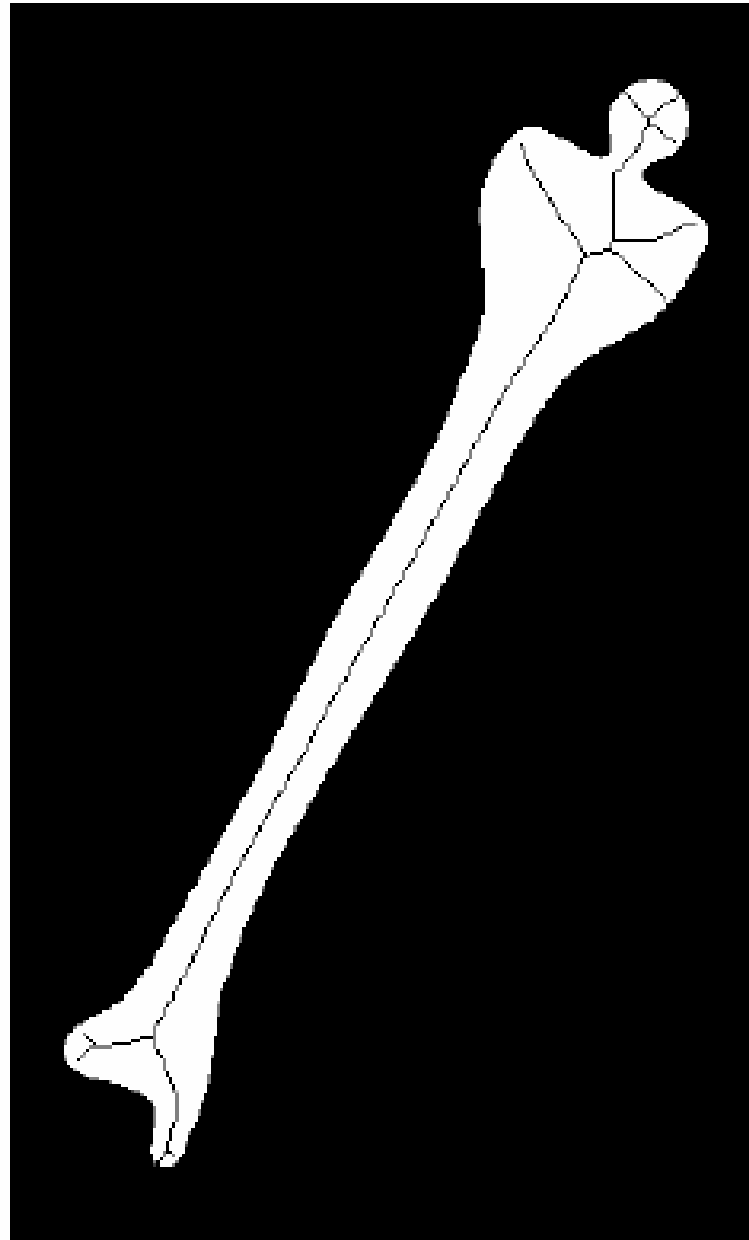


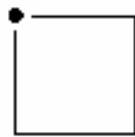
FIGURE 11.10
Human leg bone
and skeleton of
the region shown
superimposed.



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Shape Numbers

Order 4

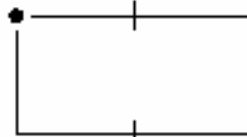


Chain code: 0 3 2 1

Difference: 3 3 3 3

Shape no.: 3 3 3 3

Order 6

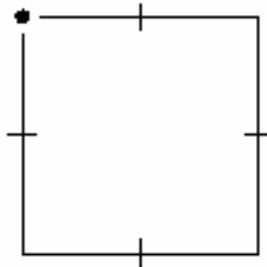


0 0 3 2 2 1

3 0 3 3 0 3

0 3 3 0 3 3

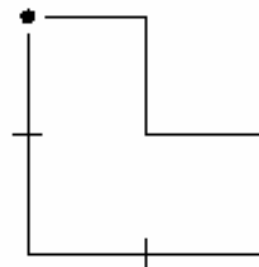
Order 8



Chain code: 0 0 3 3 2 2 1 1

Difference: 3 0 3 0 3 0 3 0

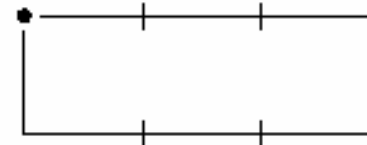
Shape no.: 0 3 0 3 0 3 0 3



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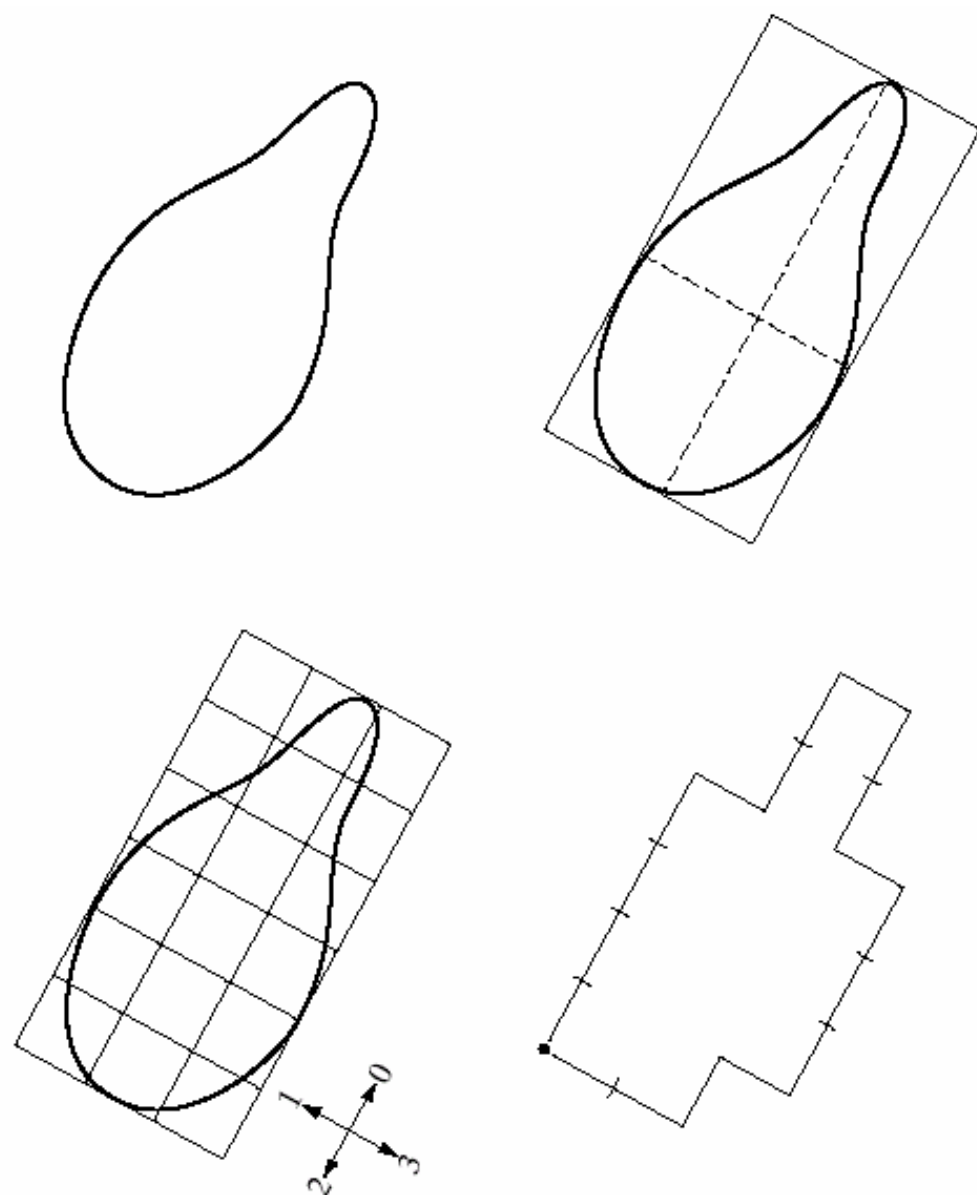


FIGURE 11.11 All shapes of order 4, 6, and 8. The directions are from Fig. 11.1(a), and the dot indicates the starting point.



a	b
c	d

FIGURE 11.12
Steps in the
generation of a
shape number.



Chain code: 0 0 0 0 3 0 0 3 2 2 3 2 2 2 1 2 1 1

Difference: 3 0 0 0 3 1 0 3 3 0 1 3 0 0 3 1 3 0

Shape no.: 0 0 0 3 1 0 3 3 0 1 3 0 0 3 1 3 0 3

Statistical Moments



$$\mu_n(v) = \sum_{i=0}^{A-1} (v_i - m)^n p(v_i)$$

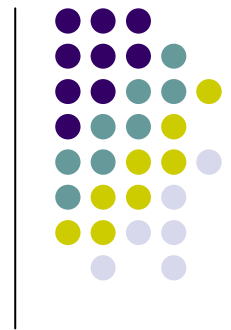
where

$$m = \sum_{i=0}^{A-1} v_i p(v_i)$$

$$\mu_n(r) = \sum_{i=0}^{K-1} (r_i - m)^n g(r_i)$$

where

$$m = \sum_{i=0}^{K-1} r_i g(r_i)$$

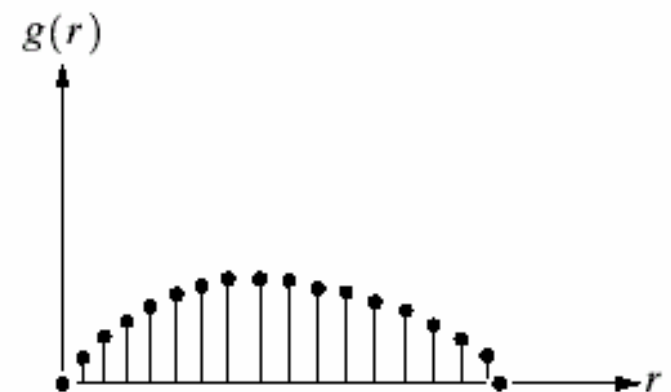
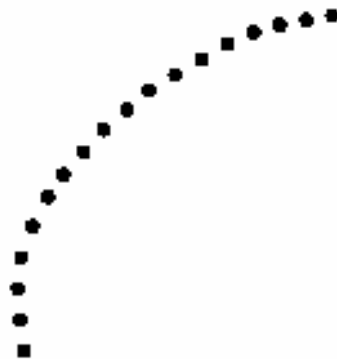


a b

FIGURE 11.15

(a) Boundary segment.

(b) Representation as a 1-D function.





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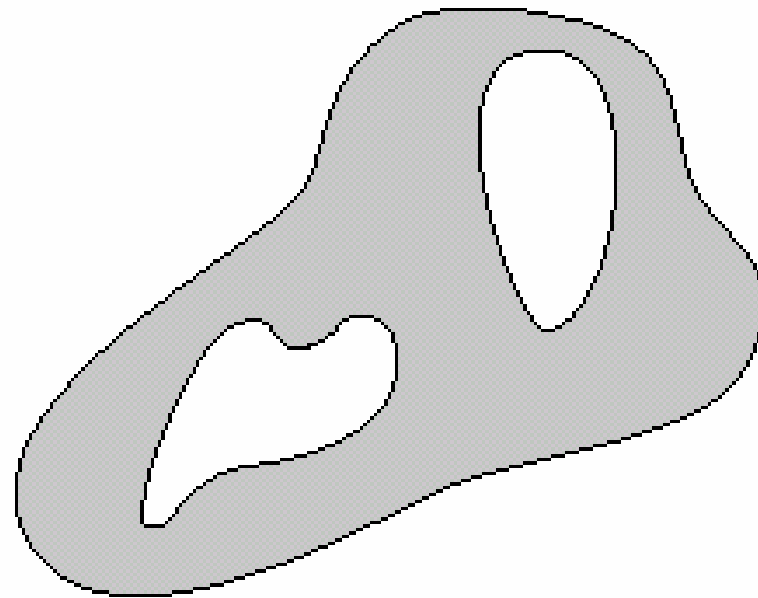


FIGURE 11.17 A region with two holes.

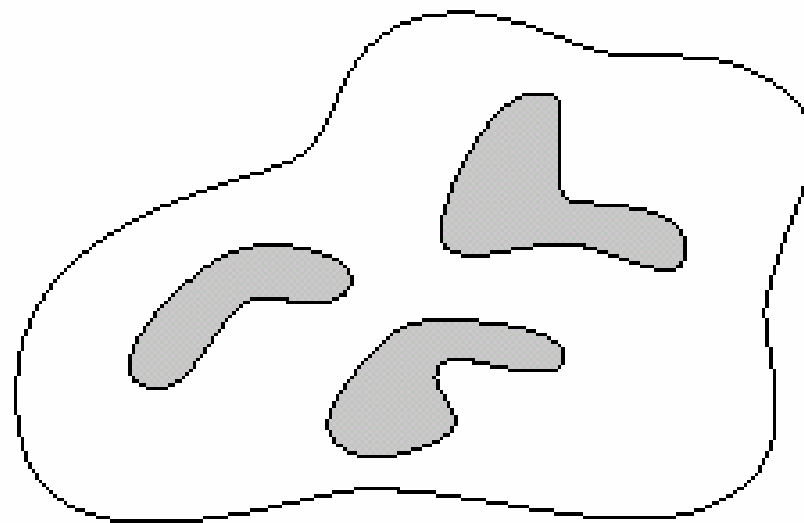
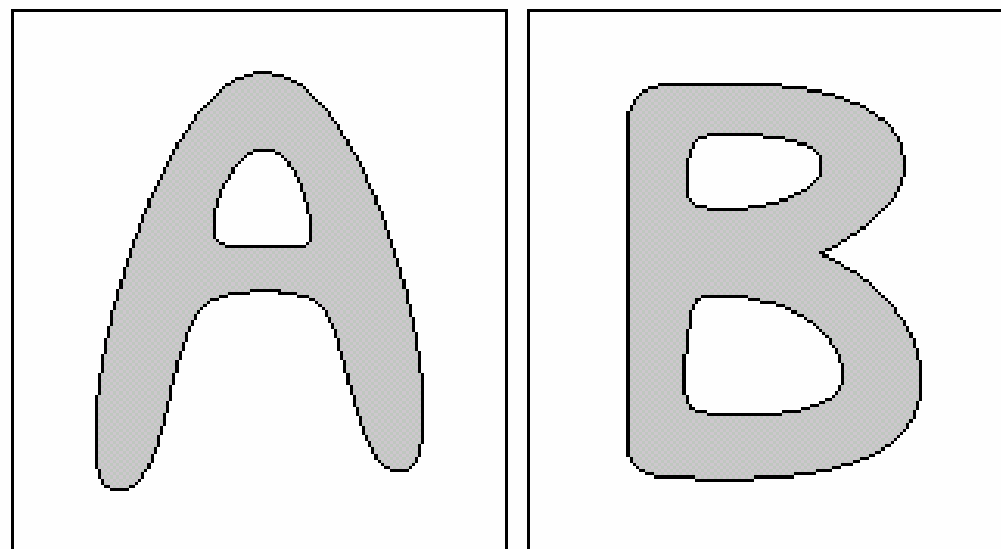


FIGURE 11.18 A region with three connected components.



a b

FIGURE 11.19 Regions with Euler number equal to 0 and -1 , respectively.

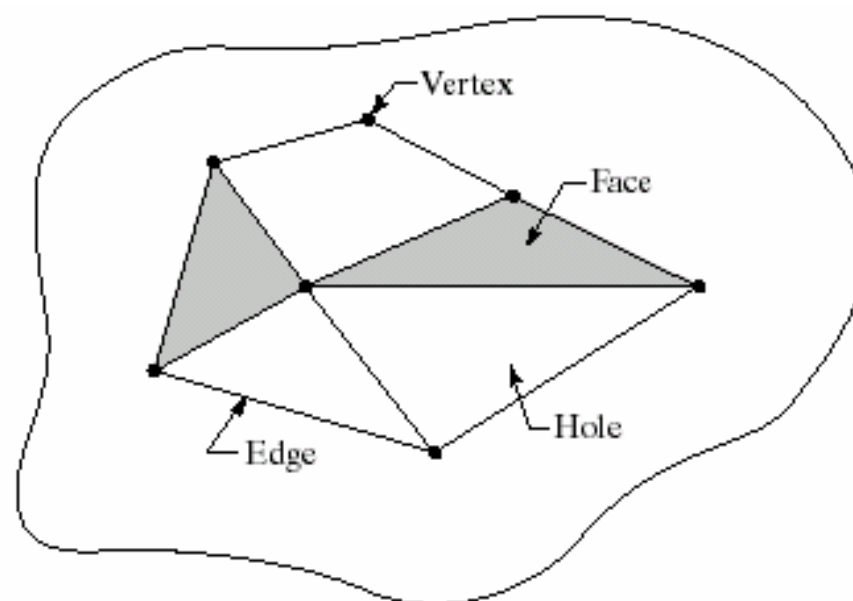
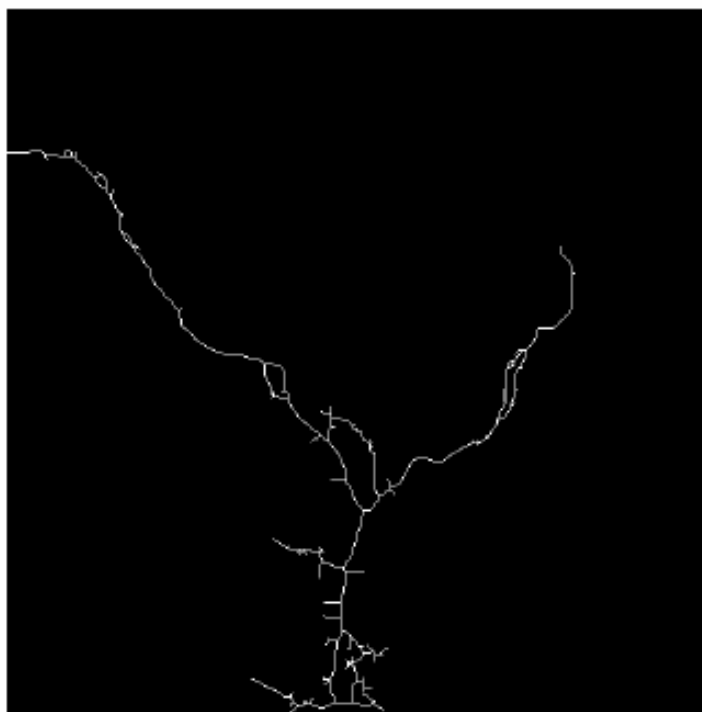
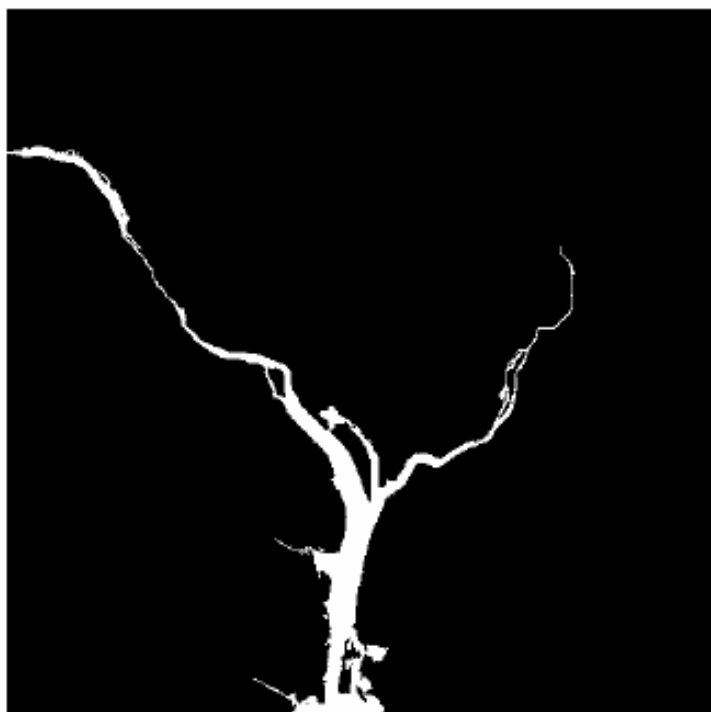
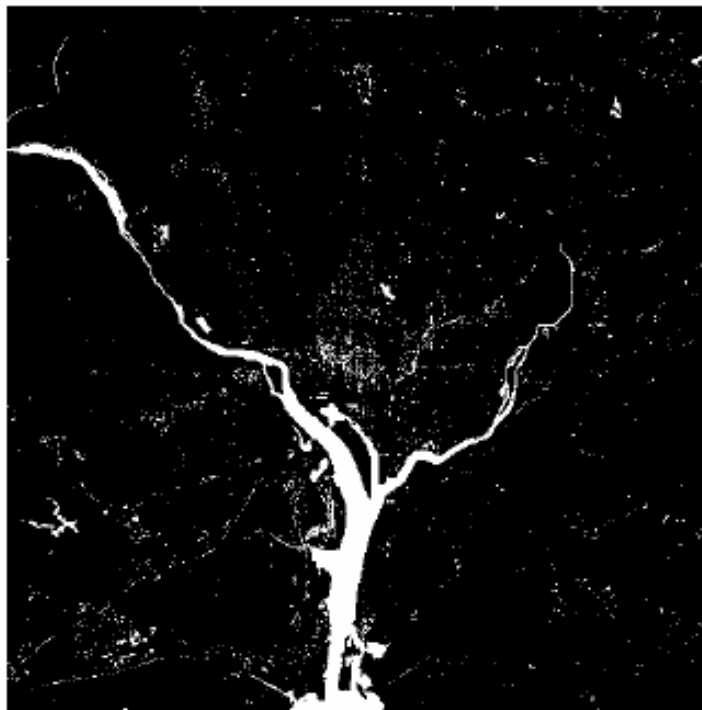


FIGURE 11.20 A region containing a polygonal network.



a	b
c	d

FIGURE 11.21

(a) Infrared image of the Washington, D.C. area.

(b) Thresholded image. (c) The largest connected component of (b). Skeleton of (c).

Texture



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Texture

- The nth moment of z about the mean is

$$\mu_n(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{L-1} (z_i - m)^n p(z_i)$$

where m is the mean value of z:

$$m = \sum_{i=0}^{L-1} z_i p(z_i)$$



- Second moment: of particular importance in texture description. It is a measure of gray-level contrast that can be used to establish descriptors of relative smoothness.
- The third moment is a measure of the skewness of the histogram;
- The fourth moment is a measure of its relative flatness.



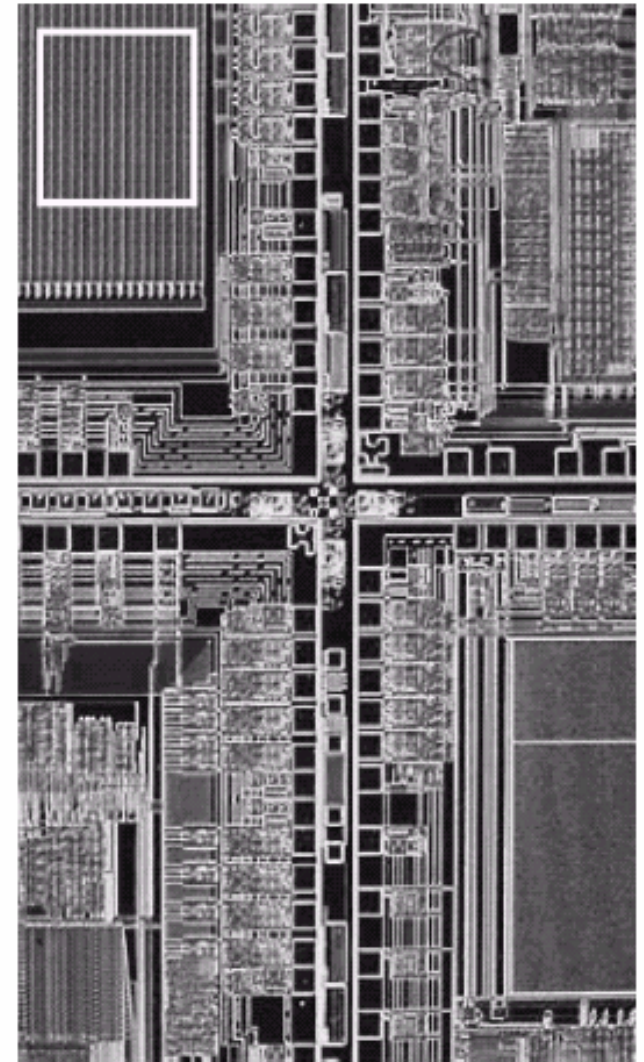
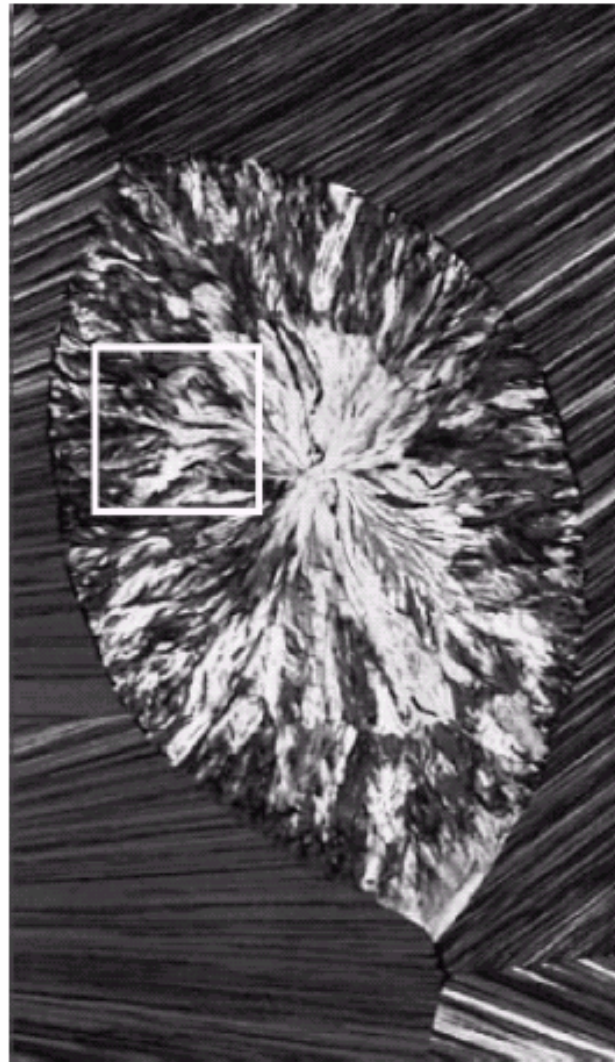
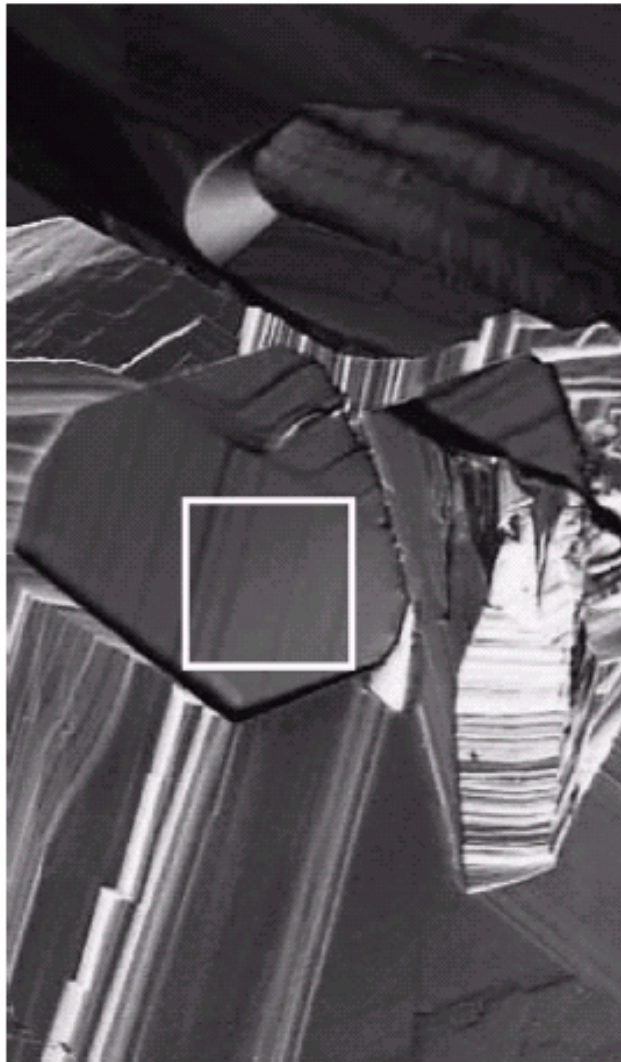
- A measure of “uniformity”

$$U = \sum_{i=0}^{L-1} p^2(z_i)$$

- An average entropy measure

$$e = -\sum_{i=0}^{L-1} p(z_i) \log_2 p(z_i)$$

Measure U is maximum for an image in which all gray levels are equal. Entropy is a measure of variability and is 0 for a constant image.



a b c

FIGURE 11.22 The white squares mark, from left to right, smooth, coarse, and regular textures. These are optical microscope images of a superconductor, human cholesterol, and a microprocessor. (Courtesy of Dr. Michael W. Davidson, Florida State University.)



TABLE 11.2

Texture measures
for the subimages
shown in
Fig. 11.22.

Texture	Mean	Standard deviation	R (normalized)	Third moment	Uniformity	Entropy
Smooth	82.64	11.79	0.002	−0.105	0.026	5.434
Coarse	143.56	74.63	0.079	−0.151	0.005	7.783
Regular	99.72	33.73	0.017	0.750	0.013	6.674