

# Deformable Convolutional Networks

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# 1. Abstract

- CNN feature structure가 고정되어 있기 때문에 모델 변형이 제한
- 이에 본 논문은 CNN 변환 모델링 기능 두 가지를 소개
  - deformable convolution
  - deformable RoI pooling
- 추가적인 offset으로 정사각형이 아닌 직사각형 형태를 만들자
- 이 새로운 모듈들은 기존의 CNN모듈을 쉽게 대체할 수 있고, standard backpropagation 로 end-to-end로 쉽게 학습할 수 있다.
- object detection and semantic segmentation 에 효과적이다.

Convolution  
RoI pooling



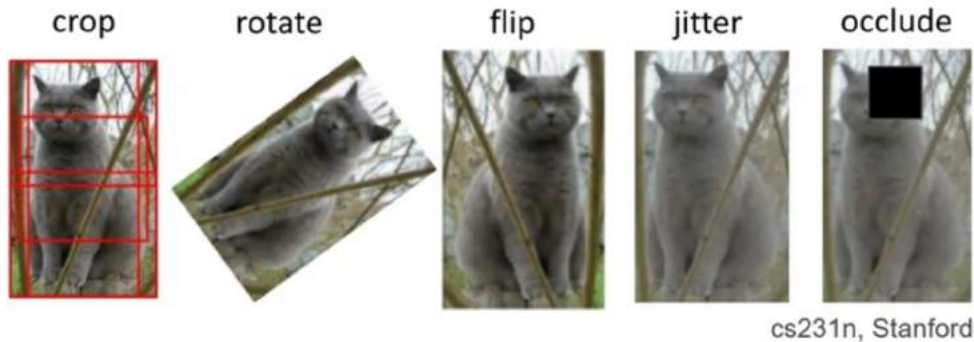
Convolution + learnable offset  
RoI pooling + learnable offset

**without additional supervision**

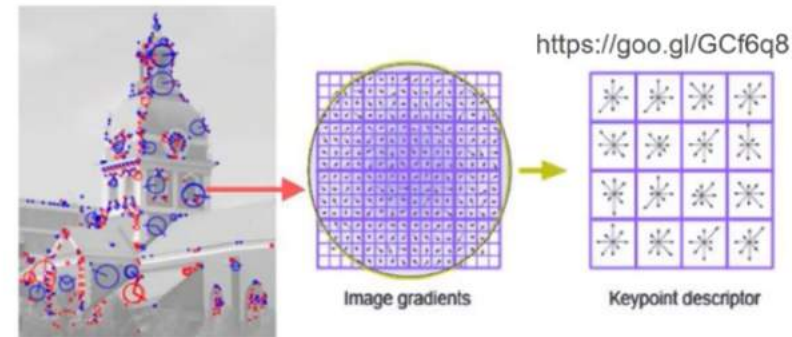
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- Visual recognition의 주요 이슈는 object scale, pose, viewpoint, and part deformation을 어떻게 수용하는가

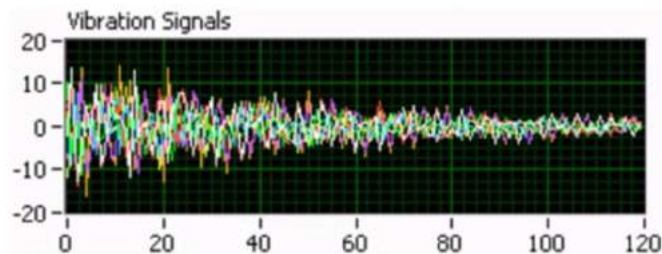
### - data augmentation



### - SIFT (scale invariant feature)



### - Label-preserving augmentation?



<https://goo.gl/fKvx8V>

Ex) 암 detection은 scale  $x \rightarrow$  사전 지식이 필요함  
이는 generalization에 한계

## 2. Introduction

- CNN모델은 이미 visual recognition tasks, such as image classification, semantic segmentation, and object detection에서 뛰어난 성능을 보이고 있지만, 다음과 같은 문제 존재



배경을 detection할 때도, 작은 물체를 큰 물체를 detection할 때도 같은 사이즈의 receptive filter

## 2. Introduction

- 본 논문은 이를 해결하기 위한 두 가지 방법 제시
- deformable convolution : standard convolution에 2D offsets 추가
    - Dilated convolution, rotation convolution 등 커버 가능
    - 사람이 receptive size를 지정해 주는 것이 아니라, input에 따라 알아서 학습
  - deformable RoI pooling : 위와 같은 방식

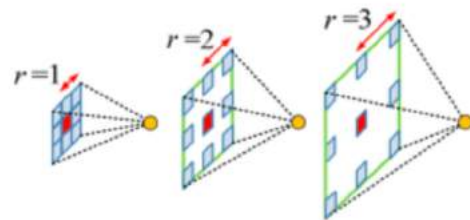
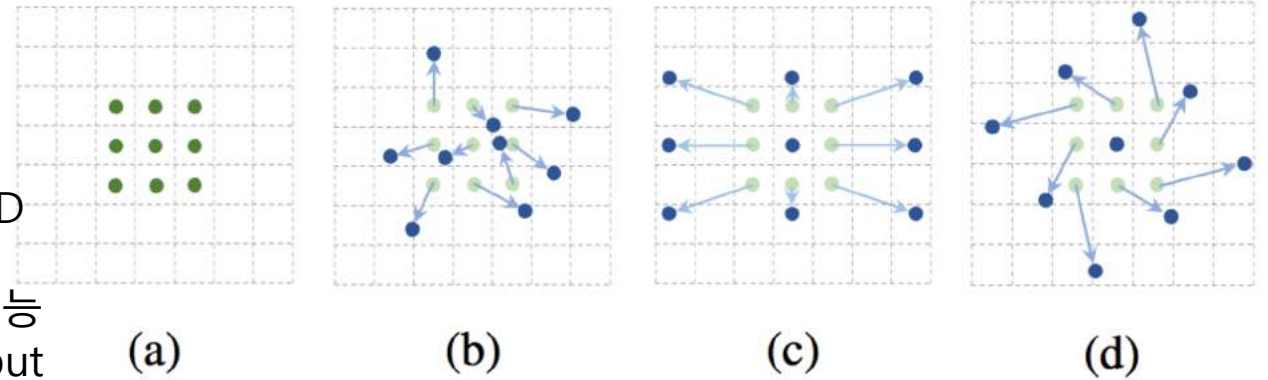
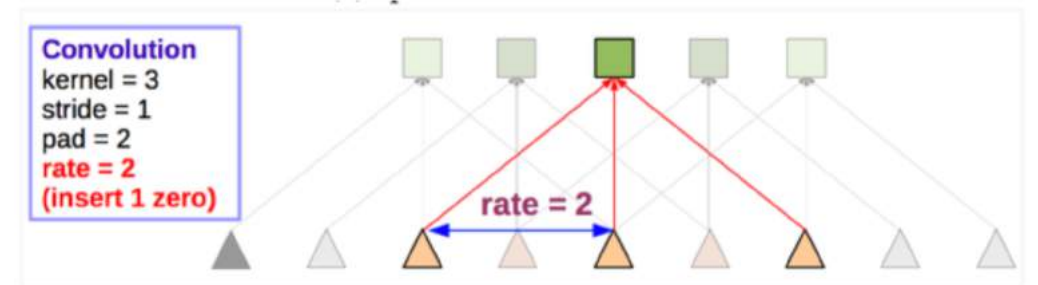


Figure 3. "Atrous" convolutions with  $r = 1, 2$ , and  $3$ . The first convolution ( $r = 1$ ) is actually the ordinary convolution.

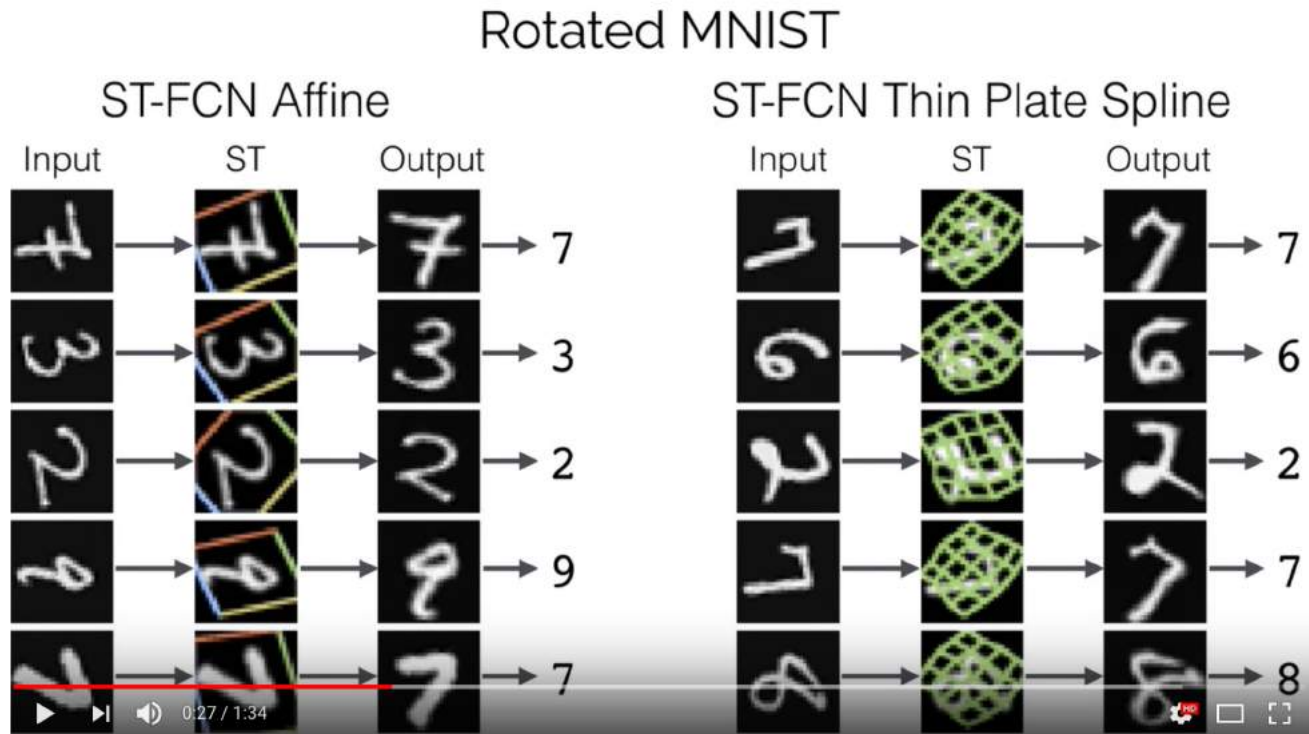


Dilated Convolution

## 2. Introduction

- 본 논문은 spatial transform networks 와 철학 공유

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ywv0Xi2-14Y>



Deformable Convolution도 input에서 관심있는 영역을 detection.

But spatial transform networks처럼 가운데로 돌리고 다시 classification하는게 아니라 end-to-end로 바로 가능

Input이 구석에 있거나, 돌아가 있는 것을 가운데로 맞추어 인식

### 3. Deformable Convolutional Networks

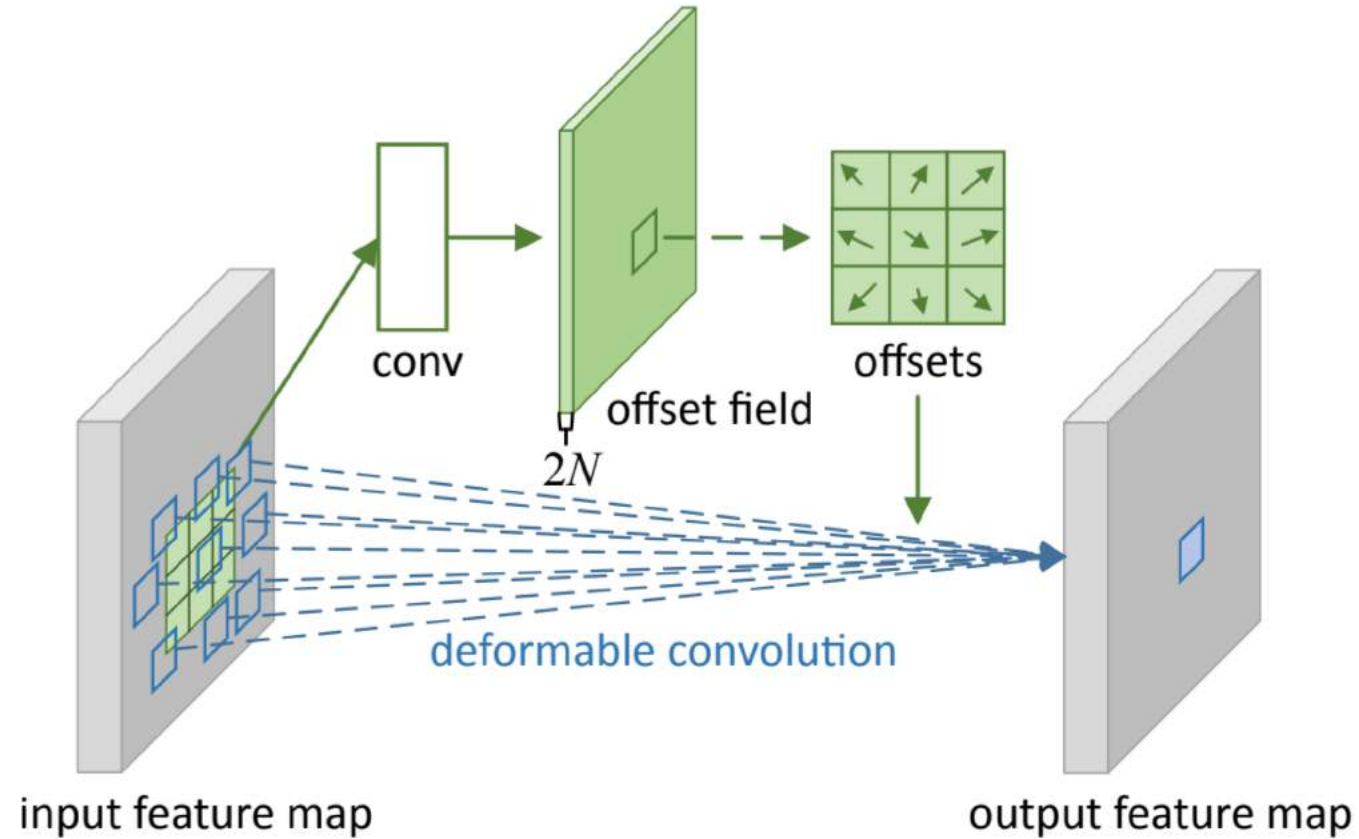


Figure 2: Illustration of  $3 \times 3$  deformable convolution.



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## 3.1 Deformable Convolution

### 2.1. Deformable Convolution

The 2D convolution consists of two steps: 1) sampling using a regular grid  $\mathcal{R}$  over the input feature map  $\mathbf{x}$ ; 2) summation of sampled values weighted by  $\mathbf{w}$ . The grid  $\mathcal{R}$  defines the receptive field size and dilation. For example,

$$\mathcal{R} = \{(-1, -1), (-1, 0), \dots, (0, 1), (1, 1)\}$$

defines a  $3 \times 3$  kernel with dilation 1.

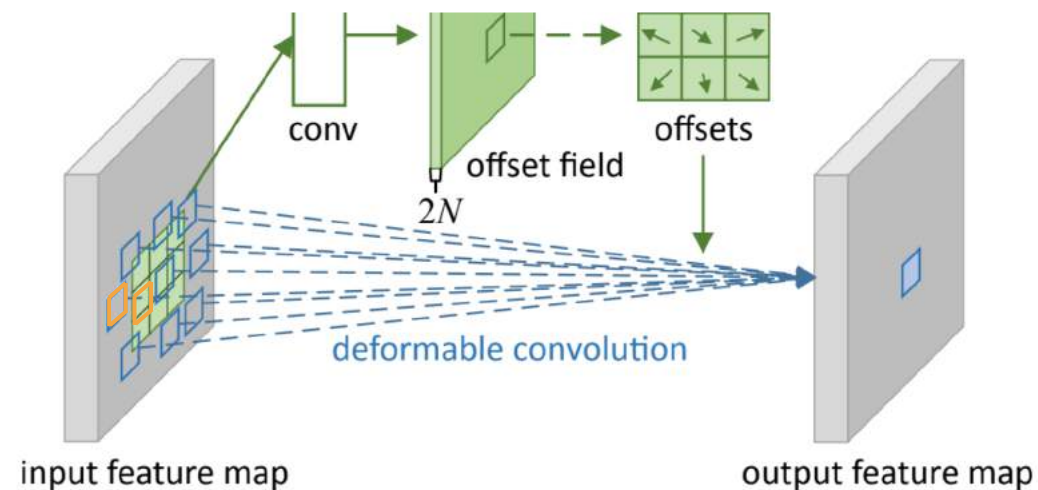
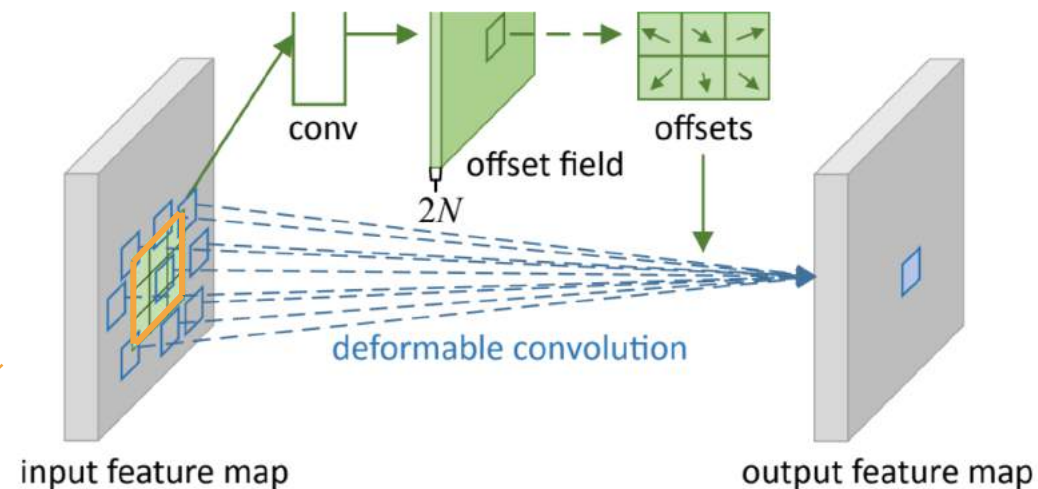
For each location  $\mathbf{p}_0$  on the output feature map  $\mathbf{y}$ , we have

$$\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{p}_0) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_n \in \mathcal{R}} \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{p}_n) \cdot \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{p}_n), \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathbf{p}_n$  enumerates the locations in  $\mathcal{R}$ .

In deformable convolution, the regular grid  $\mathcal{R}$  is augmented with offsets  $\{\Delta \mathbf{p}_n | n = 1, \dots, N\}$ , where  $N = |\mathcal{R}|$ . Eq. (1) becomes

$$\mathbf{y}(\mathbf{p}_0) = \sum_{\mathbf{p}_n \in \mathcal{R}} \mathbf{w}(\mathbf{p}_n) \cdot \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{p}_n + \Delta \mathbf{p}_n). \quad (2)$$



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$$\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}) = \sum_{\mathbf{q}} G(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) \cdot \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{q}), \quad (3)$$

where  $\mathbf{p}$  denotes an arbitrary (fractional) location ( $\mathbf{p} = \mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{p}_n + \Delta \mathbf{p}_n$  for Eq. (2)),  $\mathbf{q}$  enumerates all integral spatial locations in the feature map  $\mathbf{x}$ , and  $G(\cdot, \cdot)$  is the bilinear interpolation kernel. Note that  $G$  is two dimensional. It is separated into two one dimensional kernels as

$$G(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p}) = g(q_x, p_x) \cdot g(q_y, p_y), \quad (4)$$

where  $g(a, b) = \max(0, 1 - |a - b|)$ . Eq. (3) is fast to compute as  $G(\mathbf{q}, \mathbf{p})$  is non-zero only for a few  $\mathbf{q}$ s.

$\mathbf{p}$  : 임의의 분수 값(ex - 0.5, 1.5 ... 즉, 너무 터무니없는 값은 아님)

$\mathbf{q}$  : feature map의 모든 공간 열거

$\mathbf{G}$  : 쌍방향 보간 커널

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## 3.2 Deformable RoI Pooling

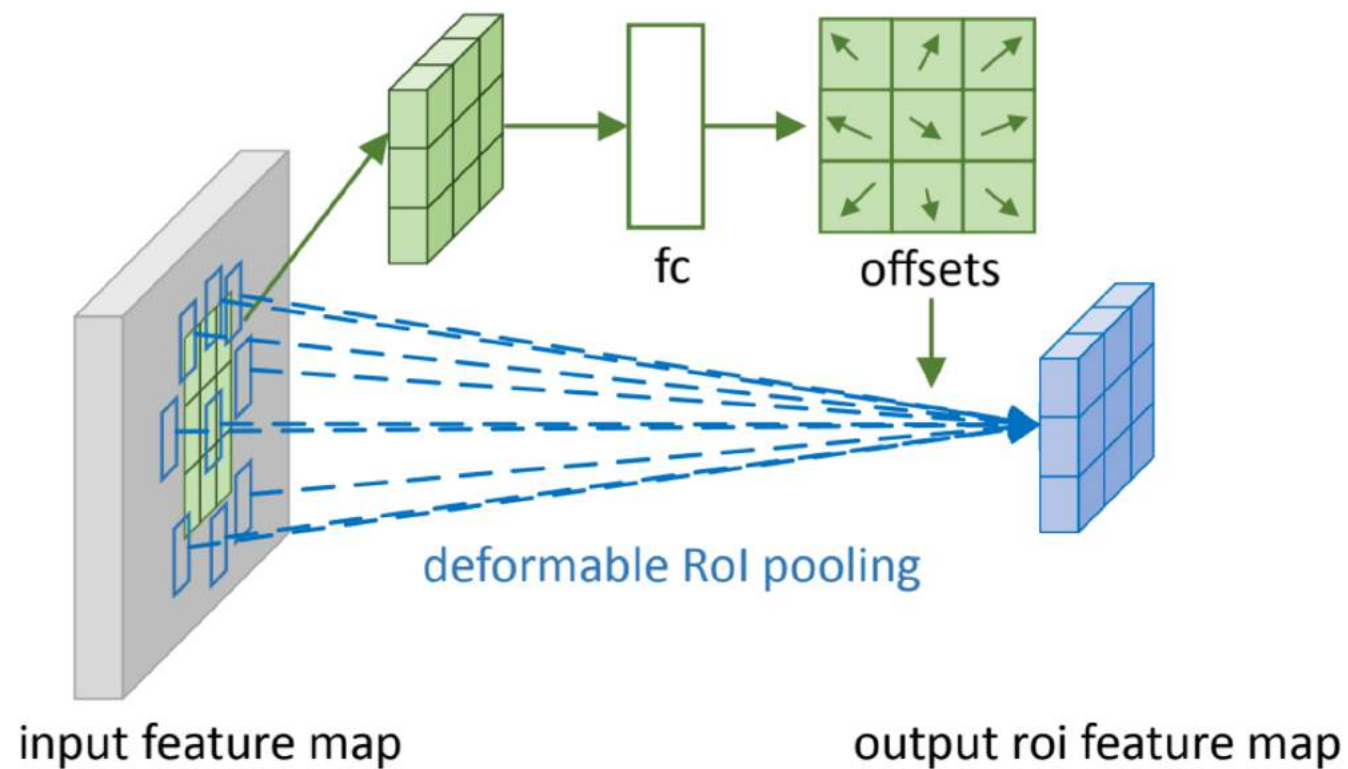


Figure 3: Illustration of  $3 \times 3$  deformable RoI pooling.

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## 3.2 Deformable RoI Pooling

**RoI Pooling** [15] Given the input feature map  $\mathbf{x}$  and a RoI of size  $w \times h$  and top-left corner  $\mathbf{p}_0$ , RoI pooling divides

the RoI into  $k \times k$  ( $k$  is a free parameter) bins and outputs a  $k \times k$  feature map  $\mathbf{y}$ . For  $(i, j)$ -th bin ( $0 \leq i, j < k$ ), we have

$$\mathbf{y}(i, j) = \sum_{\mathbf{p} \in \text{bin}(i, j)} \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{p}) / n_{ij}, \quad (5)$$

where  $n_{ij}$  is the number of pixels in the bin. The  $(i, j)$ -th bin spans  $\lfloor i \frac{w}{k} \rfloor \leq p_x < \lceil (i+1) \frac{w}{k} \rceil$  and  $\lfloor j \frac{h}{k} \rfloor \leq p_y < \lceil (j+1) \frac{h}{k} \rceil$ .

Similarly as in Eq. (2), in deformable RoI pooling, offsets  $\{\Delta \mathbf{p}_{ij} | 0 \leq i, j < k\}$  are added to the spatial binning positions. Eq.(5) becomes

$$\mathbf{y}(i, j) = \sum_{\mathbf{p} \in \text{bin}(i, j)} \mathbf{x}(\mathbf{p}_0 + \mathbf{p} + \Delta \mathbf{p}_{ij}) / n_{ij}. \quad (6)$$

Typically,  $\Delta \mathbf{p}_{ij}$  is fractional. Eq. (6) is implemented by bilinear interpolation via Eq. (3) and (4).

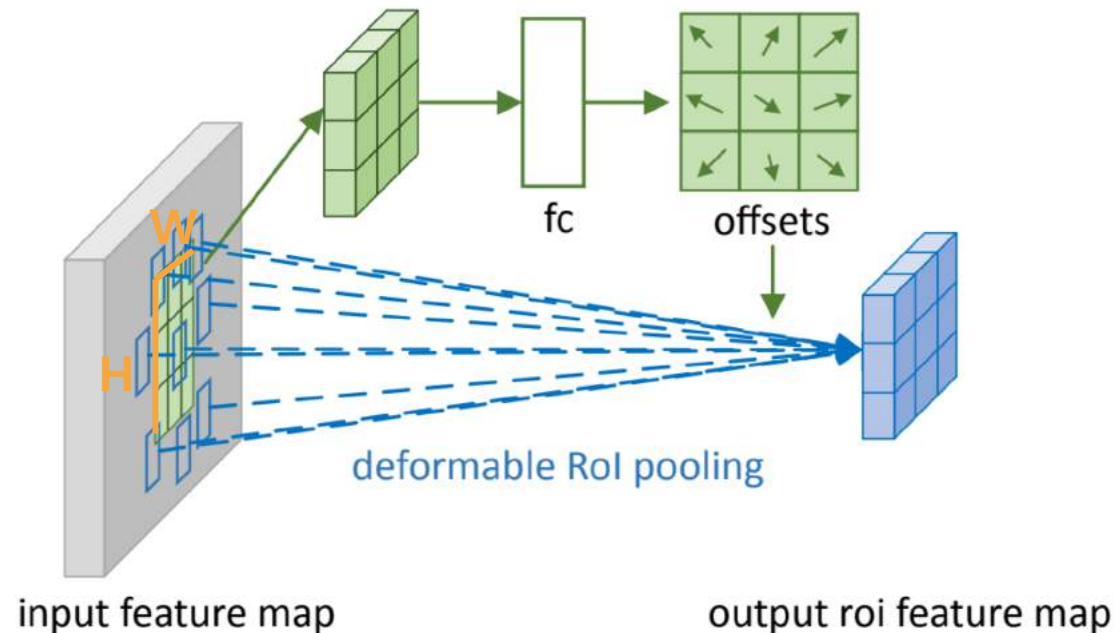


Figure 3: Illustration of  $3 \times 3$  deformable RoI pooling.

$k = 3,$   
 $\Delta P_{ij}$  : 쌍방향 보간법



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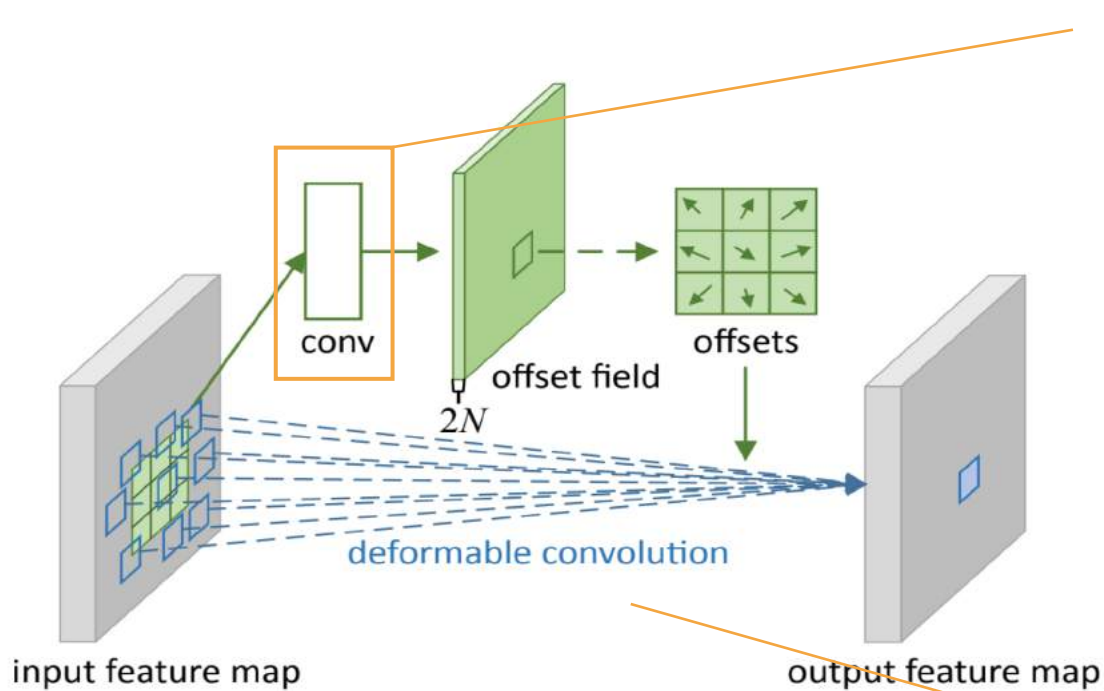


Figure 2: Illustration of  $3 \times 3$  deformable convolution.

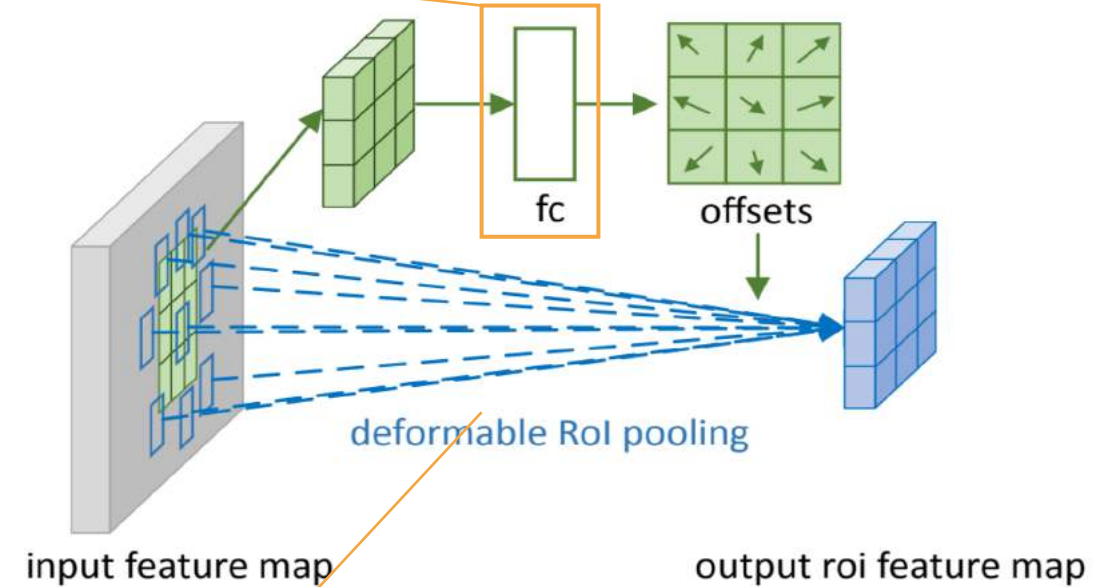
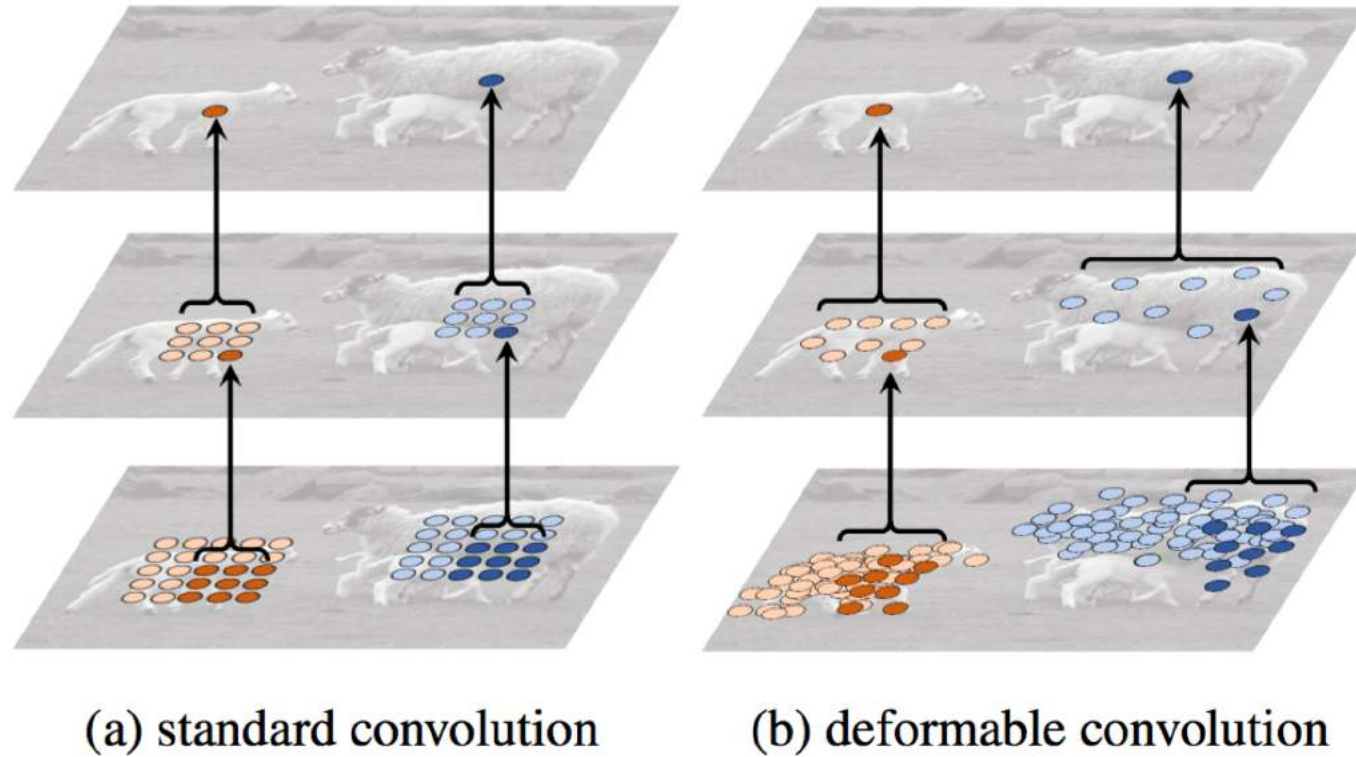


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둘다 backpropagation에 의해 한번에 학습

- 그냥 기존의 conv 레이어를 살짝만 바꾸어도 잘 작동
- Two stage, Three stage 필요  $x \rightarrow$  간단

## 4. Understanding Deformable ConvNets



Layer가 쌓이다 보면 엄청 큰 차이

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background

Small object

large object

background

Small object

large object



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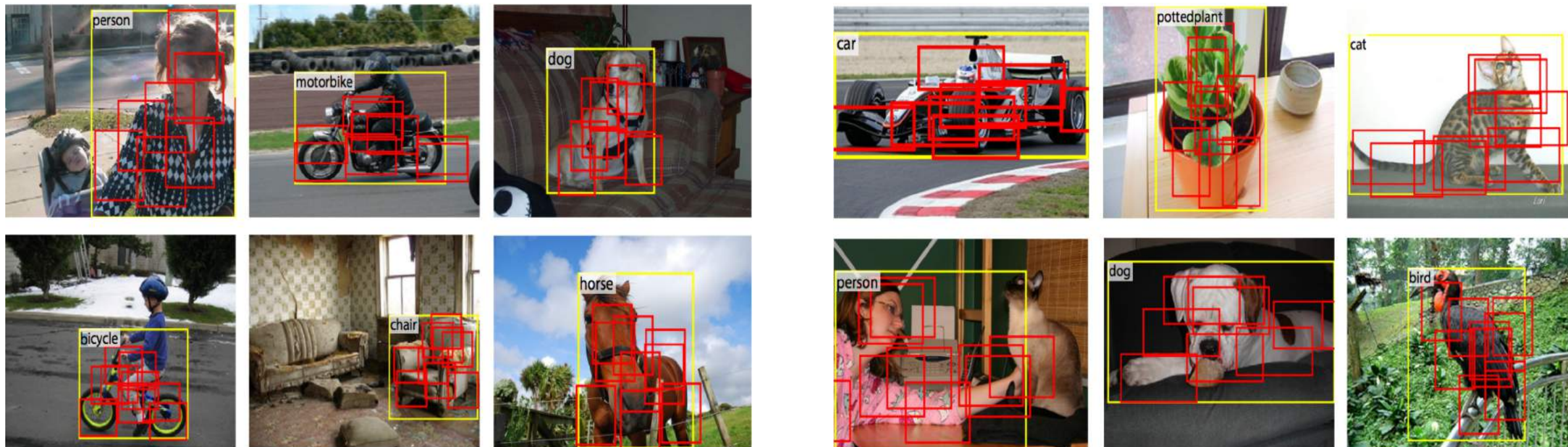


Figure 7: Illustration of offset parts in deformable (positive sensitive) RoI pooling in R-FCN [7] and  $3 \times 3$  bins (red) for an input RoI (yellow). Note how the parts are offset to cover the non-rigid objects.



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Test Accuracy	Regular CNN	Deformable CNN
Regular MNIST	98.74%	97.27%
Scaled MNIST	57.01%	92.55%

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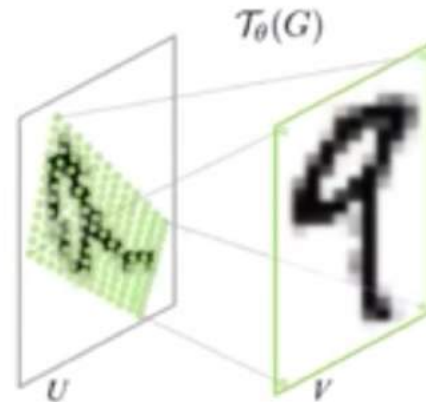
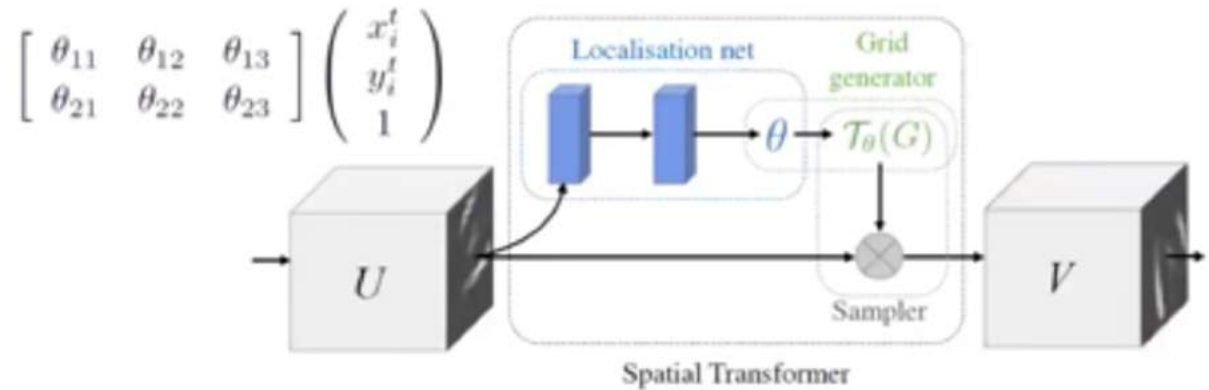
## 4.1 In Context of Related Works

### Spatial Transform Networks (STN)

- Linear transform으로 한정
- Small scale만 고성능

- 찾은 bounding box를 다시 정면에 박고, 이후에 classification작업 필요

W\*X에서 그동안은 W에만 신경썼다면,  
Deformable ConvNets는 X에도 신경썼다!



$$\frac{\partial V_i^c}{\partial U_{nm}^c} = \sum_n \sum_m^W \max(0, 1 - |x_i^s - m|) \max(0, 1 - |y_i^s - n|)$$

$$\frac{\partial V_i^c}{\partial x_i^s} = \sum_n \sum_m^W U_{nm}^c \max(0, 1 - |y_i^s - n|) \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } |m - x_i^s| \geq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } m \geq x_i^s \\ -1 & \text{if } m < x_i^s \end{cases}$$

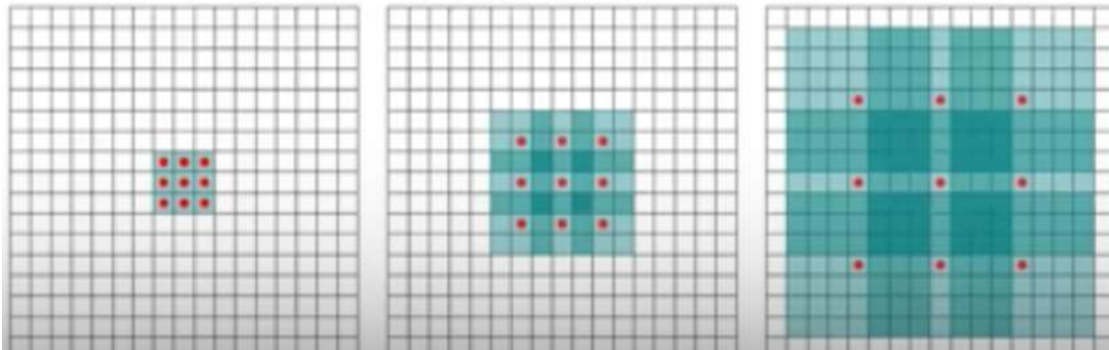
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## 4.1 In Context of Related Works

### Effective Receptive Field

이론상 3 by 3  $\rightarrow$  9 by 9  $\rightarrow$  27 by 27  
But 사실 그렇게 Linear하게 커지지 X

Stride가 딱 3 by 3 이 아닐 수도 있어서 겹치는 부분이 존재하기 때문.



하지만 Deformable ConvNets는 receptive field가 효율적으로 커짐

## 5. Experiments

deformation modules	DeepLab mIoU@V / @C	class-aware RPN mAP@0.5 / @0.7	Faster R-CNN mAP@0.5 / @0.7	R-FCN mAP@0.5 / @0.7
atrous convolution (2,2,2) (default)	69.7 / 70.4	68.0 / 44.9	78.1 / 62.1	80.0 / 61.8
atrous convolution (4,4,4)	73.1 / 71.9	72.8 / 53.1	78.6 / 63.1	80.5 / 63.0
atrous convolution (6,6,6)	73.6 / 72.7	73.6 / 55.2	78.5 / 62.3	80.2 / 63.5
atrous convolution (8,8,8)	73.2 / 72.4	73.2 / 55.1	77.8 / 61.8	80.3 / 63.2
deformable convolution	<b>75.3 / 75.2</b>	<b>74.5 / 57.2</b>	78.6 / 63.3	81.4 / 64.7
deformable RoI pooling	N.A	N.A	78.3 / 66.6	81.2 / 65.0
deformable convolution & RoI pooling	N.A	N.A	<b>79.3 / 66.9</b>	<b>82.6 / 68.5</b>

Table 3: Evaluation of our deformable modules and atrous convolution, using ResNet-101.

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method	backbone architecture	M	B	mAP@[0.5:0.95]	mAP <sup>r</sup> @0.5	mAP@[0.5:0.95] (small)	mAP@[0.5:0.95] (mid)	mAP@[0.5:0.95] (large)
class-aware RPN	ResNet-101			23.2	42.6	6.9	27.1	35.1
<b>Ours</b>				<b>25.8</b>	<b>45.9</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>28.3</b>	<b>40.7</b>
Faster RCNN	ResNet-101			29.4	48.0	9.0	30.5	47.1
<b>Ours</b>				<b>33.1</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>11.6</b>	<b>34.9</b>	<b>51.2</b>
R-FCN	ResNet-101			30.8	52.6	11.8	33.9	44.8
<b>Ours</b>				<b>34.5</b>	<b>55.0</b>	<b>14.0</b>	<b>37.7</b>	<b>50.3</b>
Faster RCNN	Aligned-Inception-ResNet			30.8	49.6	9.6	32.5	49.0
<b>Ours</b>				<b>34.1</b>	<b>51.1</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>36.5</b>	<b>52.4</b>
R-FCN	Aligned-Inception-ResNet			32.9	54.5	12.5	36.3	48.3
<b>Ours</b>				<b>36.1</b>	<b>56.7</b>	<b>14.8</b>	<b>39.8</b>	<b>52.2</b>
R-FCN	Aligned-Inception-ResNet	✓		34.5	55.0	16.8	37.3	48.3
<b>Ours</b>		✓		37.1	57.3	18.8	39.7	52.3
R-FCN		✓	✓	35.5	55.6	17.8	38.4	49.3
<b>Ours</b>		✓	✓	<b>37.5</b>	<b>58.0</b>	<b>19.4</b>	<b>40.1</b>	<b>52.5</b>

Table 5: Object detection results of deformable ConvNets v.s. plain ConvNets on COCO test-dev set. M denotes multi-scale testing, and B denotes iterative bounding box average in the table.