Object Detection with KerasCV API



! API is still experimental !



Background

- 1.5~ years ago I wrote a few object detection pipelines
- user experience was not good
- many issues (format mismatch, NaN loss, etc)

Key painpoints

- bounding box formats were hard to manage
- data augmentation
- image shape management
- inherent ragged-ness of bounding boxes
- metric evaluation

Feature Highlights

- TPU compatibility
- Train time COCO metric evaluation
- Native support for ragged bounding box inputs
- Easy, composable bounding box augmentations

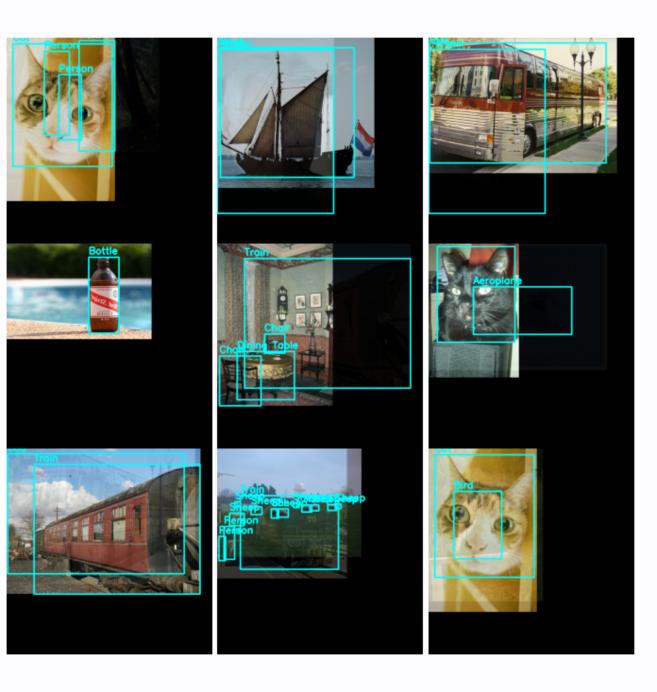
API Highlights

- Explicit bounding box formats
- Highly modular
- Ragged native preprocessing and augmentation layers
- Readable implementations

```
# What format should the bounding boxes be in?
shear = layers.RandomShear(
  factor=0.1,
)
```

```
shear = layers.RandomShear(
  factor=0.1,
  # bounding box format is explicit
  bounding_box_format='xywh'
)
```

This is consistent across all KerasCV object detection components!



Assembling an Augmentation Pipeline

```
# images are ragged
# bounding box correctly augmented
augmenter = [
    layers.RandomFlip(bounding_box_format='xywh'),
    layers.RandomAspectRatio(factor=(0.9, 1.1)),
    layers.JitteredResize(
        target_size=(640, 640),
        scale_factor=(0.8, 1.35),
        bounding_box_format='xywh'
    ),
    layers.MixUp()
]
inputs = {
    "images": images,
    "bounding_boxes": boxes
}
augmenter(inputs)
```

Constructing a Model

```
model = keras_cv.models.RetinaNet(
    # number of classes to be used in box classification
    classes=20,
    # For more info on supported bounding box formats, visit
    # https://keras.io/api/keras_cv/bounding_box/
    bounding_box_format="xywh",
    # KerasCV offers a set of pre-configured backbones
    backbone="resnet50",
    # Each backbone comes with multiple pre-trained weights
    # These weights match the weights available in the `keras_cv.model` class.
    backbone_weights="imagenet",
    # include_rescaling tells the model whether your input images are in the default
    # pixel range (0, 255) or if you have already rescaled your inputs to the range
    \# (0, 1). In our case, we feed our model images with inputs in the range (0, 255).
    include rescaling=True,
# Fine-tuning a RetinaNet is as simple as setting backbone.trainable = False
model.backbone.trainable = False
```

Create Metrics

```
metrics = [
    keras_cv.metrics.COCOMeanAveragePrecision(
        class_ids=range(20),
        bounding_box_format="xywh",
        name="Mean Average Precision",
    keras_cv.metrics.COCORecall(
        class_ids=range(20),
        bounding_box_format="xywh",
        max_detections=100,
        name="Recall",
```

Compile your model

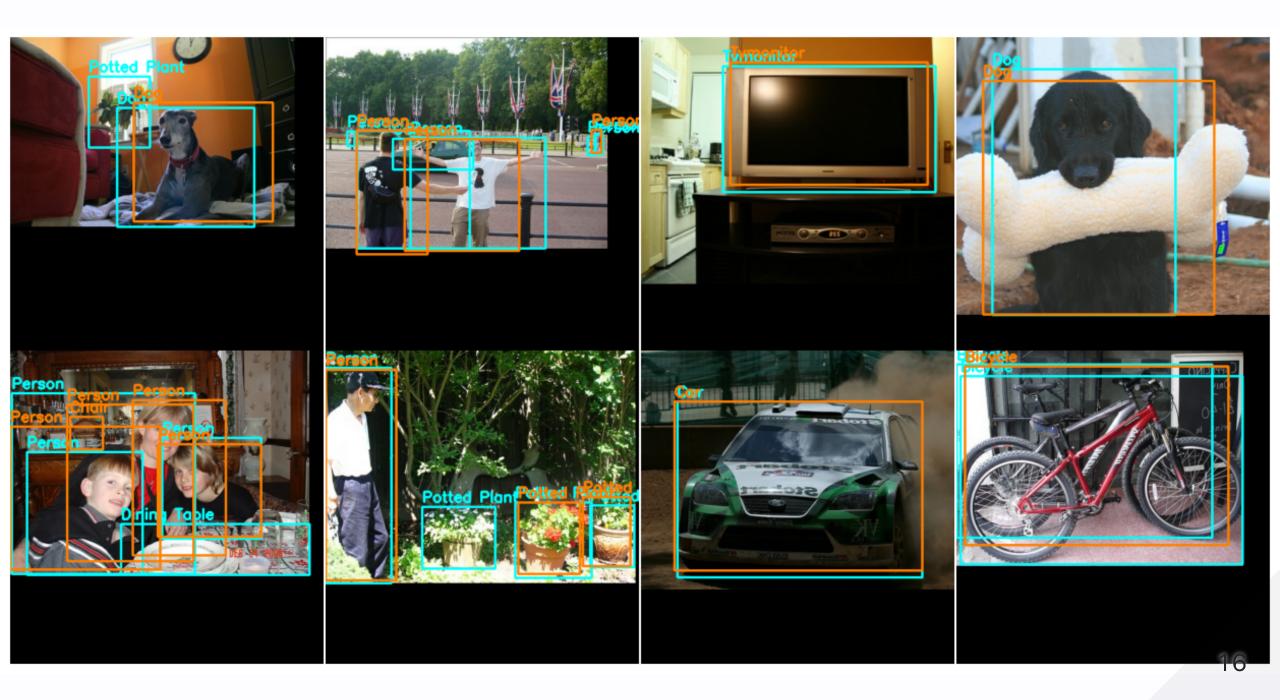
```
model.compile(
    classification_loss='focal',
    box_loss='smooth_l1',
    optimizer=tf.optimizers.SGD(global_clipnorm=10.0),
    metrics=metrics,
)
```

Model Saving

```
model.save_weights('my-weights.h5')
# Or
model.save('my-model.saved_model/')
```

Inference

```
model.load_weights('my-weights.h5')
y_pred = model.predict(images)
```



Demo Colab Notebook