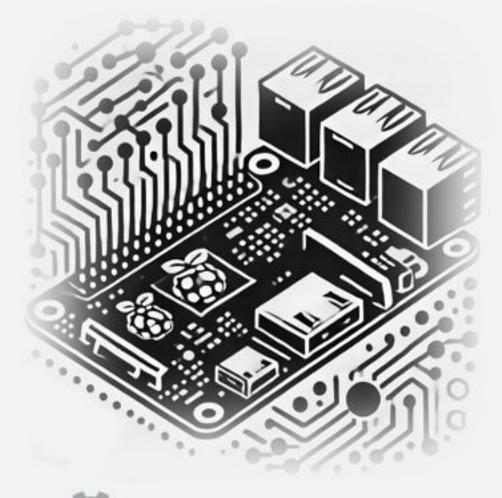
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8. Object Detection: Fundamentals





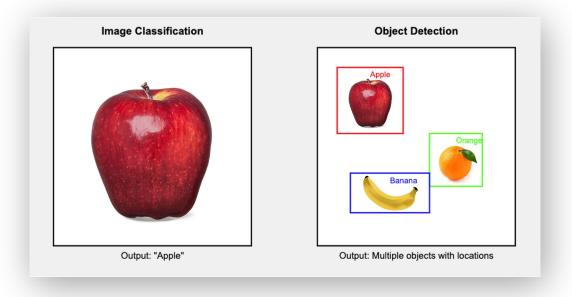


Object Detection Fundamentals & SSD-Mobilenet Model

What is Object Detection?

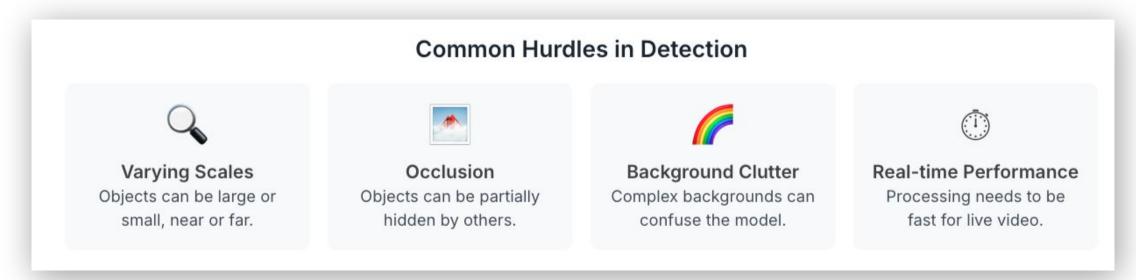
Object detection is a computer vision task that identifies and locates objects within an image or video. Unlike simple image classification, it doesn't just say "there is an apple in this image," but rather "here is an apple at these specific coordinates."

- Identifies: Determines the class of an object (e.g., car, person).
- Localizes: Provides a bounding box to indicate precisely where the object is located.



Can identify multiple objects with locations in the image

Key Challenges in Detection



- Multiple Objects: Images often contain multiple objects of different classes, sizes, and positions, making it challenging to detect and classify each one accurately.
- Real-Time Performance: Many applications require fast inference times, especially on edge devices with limited computational resources; striking a balance between accuracy and speed is essential.

Two-Stage vs Single-Stage

Two-Stage Detectors

Models like Faster

R-CNN first propose
regions of interest and

then classify each

region. This approach is

accurate but

computationally

intensive.

Single-Stage Detectors

Models such as

SSD-MobileNet, YOLO,

and EfficientDet predict

bounding boxes and class

probabilities in one

forward pass, making

them faster and more

suitable for edge devices.

Trade-offs

While two-stage

detectors offer higher

accuracy, single-stage

detectors provide a

better balance

between speed and

accuracy, crucial for

real-time applications.

Examples

SSD MobileNet is a

popular single-stage

detector that combines

the efficiency of SSD

with the lightweight

MobileNet backbone,

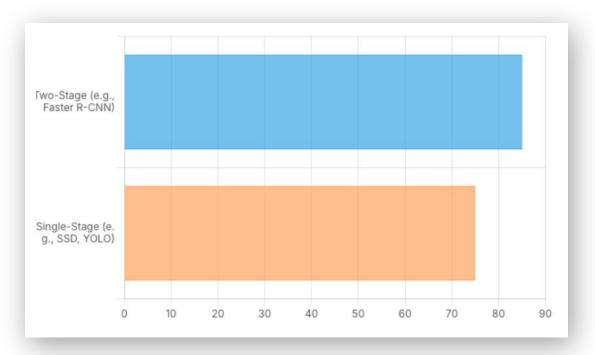
ideal for edge

deployment.

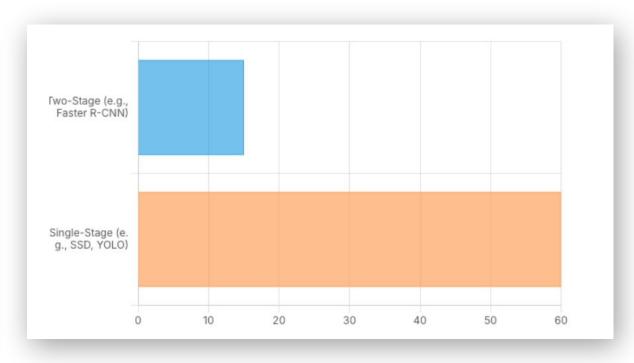
Detector Architectures: A Trade-Off

Models generally fall into two categories, each balancing accuracy and speed in different ways.

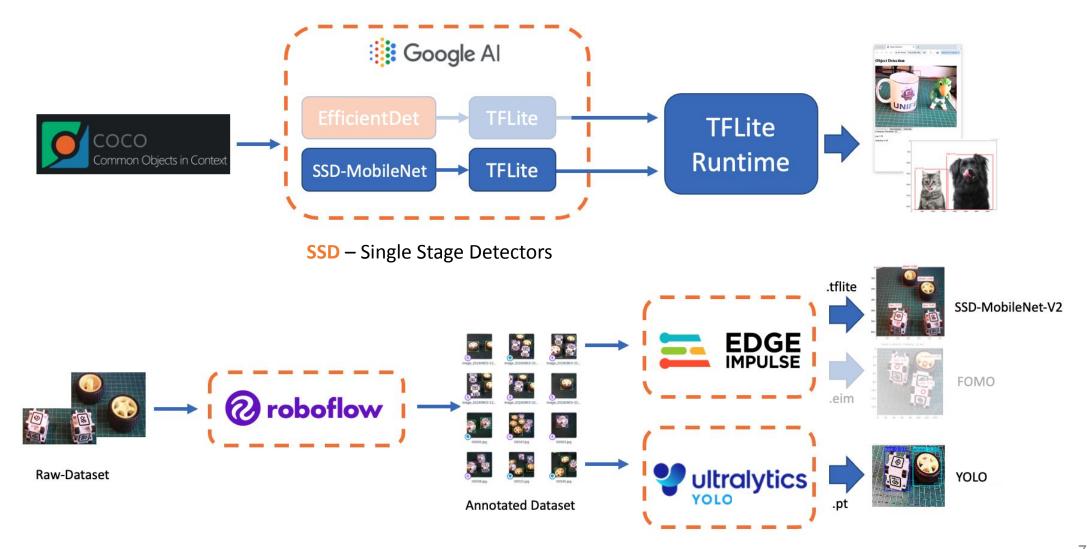
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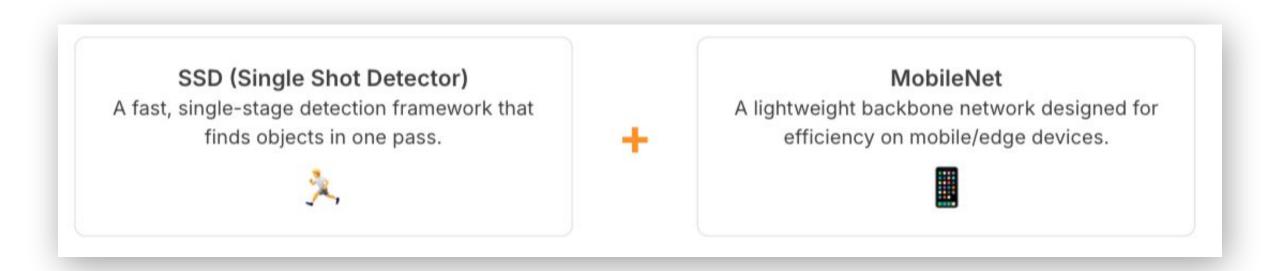
Speed



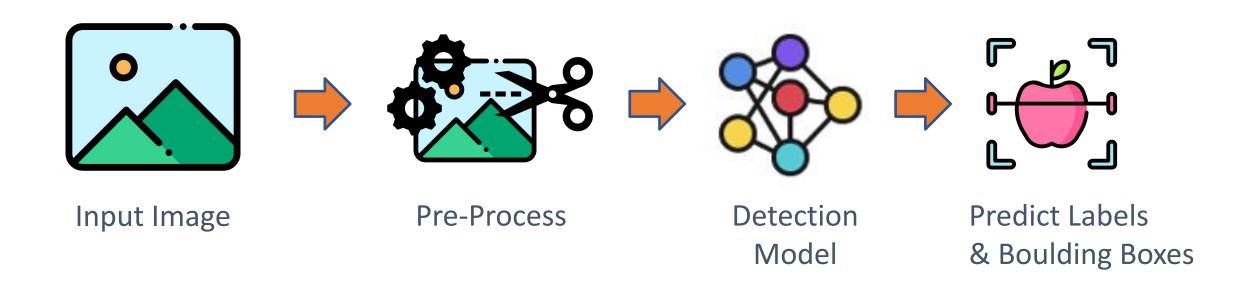
Models covered in the course



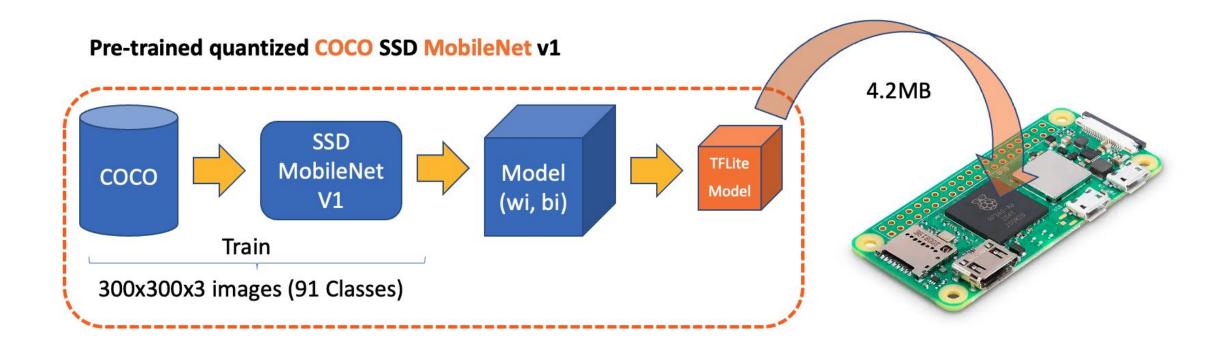
SSD-MobileNet: The best of two worlds



Object Detection: Inference Pipeline



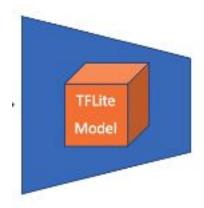
The SSD-MobileNet V1 model



It outputs up to ten detections per image, including bounding boxes, class IDs, and confidence scores

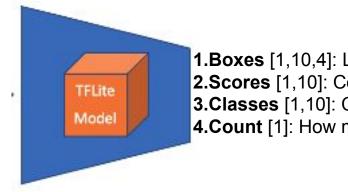
Model Input

TFLite Interpreter



Model Output

TFLite Interpreter



1.Boxes [1,10,4]: Location (normalized coordinates)

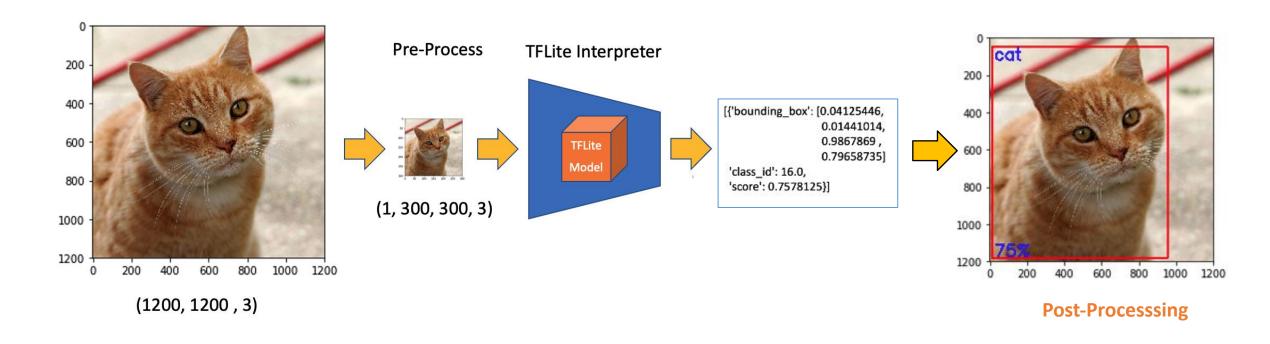
2.Scores [1,10]: Confidence (0.0-1.0)

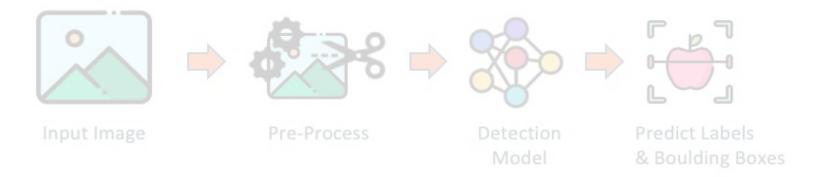
3.Classes [1,10]: Class (COCO class IDs 0-90)

4.Count [1]: How many valid detections (0-10)

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Making inferences with the SSD-MobileNet V1



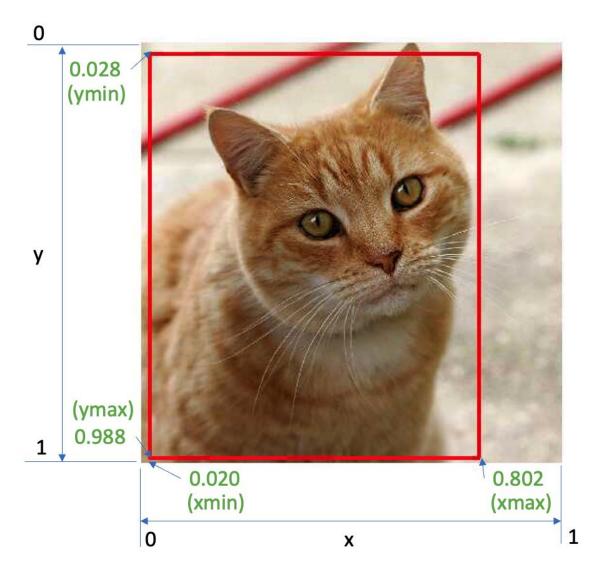


Bounding Boxes

bounding box:

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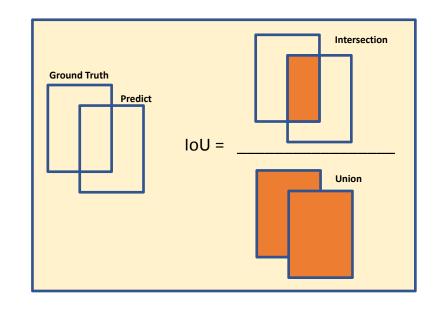
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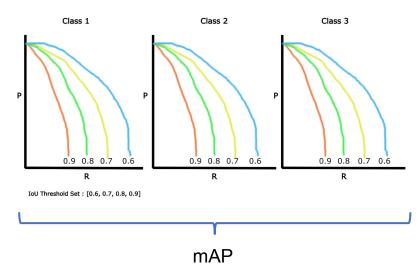


Evaluation Metrics

Intersection over Union (IoU) is a metric used to evaluate the accuracy of an object detector. It measures the overlap between two bounding boxes: the **Ground Truth** box (the manually labeled correct box) and the **Predicted** box (the box generated by the object detection model). The IoU value is calculated by dividing the area of the **Intersection** (the overlapping area) by the area of the **Union** (the total area covered by both boxes). A higher IoU value indicates a better prediction.

Mean Average Precision (mAP) is a widely used metric for evaluating the performance of object detection models. It provides a single number that reflects a model's ability to accurately both classify and localize objects. The "mean" in mAP refers to the average taken over all object classes in the dataset. The "average precision" (AP) is calculated for each class, and then these AP values are averaged to get the final mAP score. A high mAP score indicates that the model is excellent at identifying all objects and placing a tight-fitting, accurate bounding box around them.





Frames Per Second (FPS) for real-time performance

TFLite Runtime and Model Setup

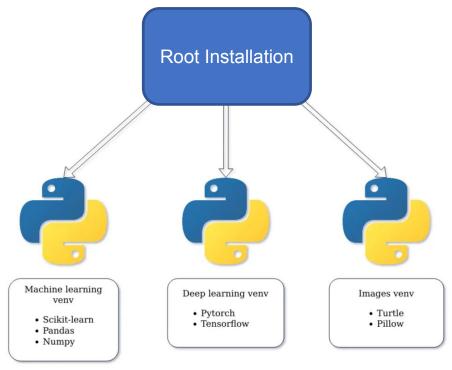
Setting up a Virtual Environment

Activate the environment:

source ~/tflite_env/bin/activate

To exit the virtual environment, use:

deactivate



Creating a working directory & get the model

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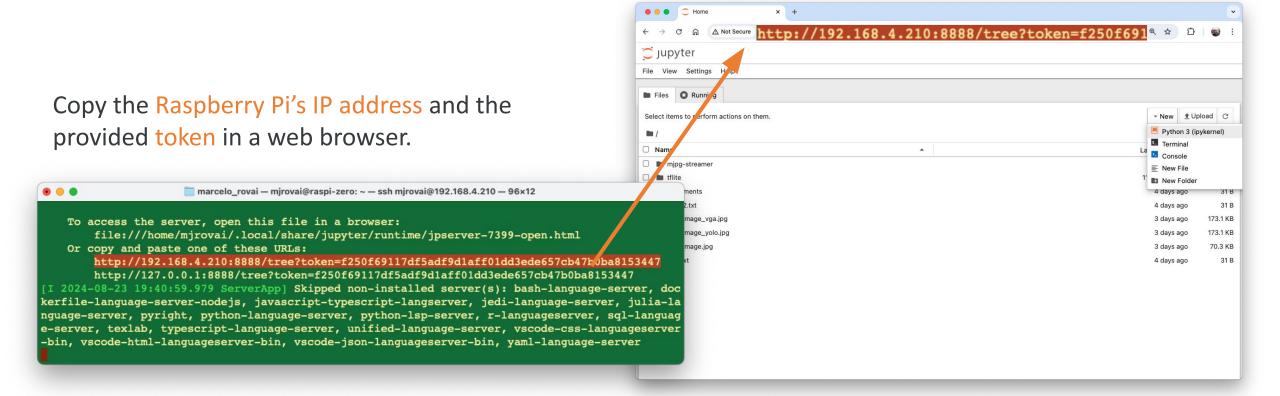
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Running up Jupyter Notebook



jupyter notebook --ip=[YOUR IP ADDREES] --no-browser



Raspberry Pi Inference: SSD_MobileNetV1.ipynb





Questions?

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