Object Identification

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1 Some Concepts

- 1. Classification Given an image identify the class it belongs to. e.g. dog or dog and cat
- 2. **Image Localization** location of cat or dog with in the image. location of a single object within the image
- 3. Object Detection Multiple objects with location, i.e. class plus location
- 4. **Image Segmentation** Divide an image into multiple parts and extract useful information. There will be some parts which do not contain any information. grouping pixels which contain similar information.
- 5. Object detection vs Image Segmentation The former has bounding box across each object. The box will be rectangular or square. The latter will have a pixel-wise mask for each object

2 Classification with Localization

Object Classification refers to identifying existence of an object (or various kinds of objects) within an image. Localization implies that where in an image the object is located.

2.1 Classification

We have seen Conv. nets are being used for object classification (dog vs cat). Suppose we are developing object identification for the self driving car based system. Suppose that following objects can occur within an image:

- 1. Pedestrian (P)
- 2. Car (C)
- 3. Motorcycle (M)
- 4. Background (B)(if none of 1,2,and 3 is in the image, then we will assume it is a blank image)

2.2 Localization

. The location of the object within an image is identified through a **bounding box**. A bounding box has four parameters:

- 1. b_x : The X coordinate of the center of the box
- 2. b_y : The Y coordinate of the center of the box
- 3. b_w : The width of the box
- 4. b_h : The height of the box.

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} P_c \\ b_x \\ b_y \\ b_w \\ b_h \\ C_1 \\ C_2 \\ C_3 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (1)

where P_c is the probability of the class. It is 1 for the object and 0 for background. and C_1 , C_2 , and C_3 are the probabilities of object, pedestrian, car, and motorcycle. Only one of them is present.

For instance, equation 2 shows occurrence of car

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \mathbf{b}_x \\ \mathbf{b}_y \\ \mathbf{b}_w \\ \mathbf{b}_h \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$
 (2)

whereas equation $\,3$ shows don't care condition if the image only has background.

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \\ ? \end{pmatrix} \tag{3}$$

2.3 Loss Function

$$l(\hat{y}, y) = (\hat{y} - y_1)^2 + (\hat{y} - y_2)^2 + \dots + (\hat{y} - y_8)^2 (4)$$

where y^i is the estimated value of y.

3 Localization and landmarks

4 Sliding Window Technique

The sliding window technique utilizes the concept of sliding a window throughout the image to detect an object. The underlying principle utilizes training a classifier to identify occurrence of an object within a cropped image. During the testing phase, a window is moved throughout an image to detect the object. Since the size and location of the object within an image is unknown, the window traverses throughout an image (with a stride) for detection. The technique involves several iterations of sliding. In each iteration, the size of the window and stride is kept fixed. Several iterations with increasing size of the window are made to detect the object. The technique has low performance when it is integrated with a NN based classifier. This is due to high computational cost. However, it can be used with simple machine learning based classifiers. Figure 1 illustrates the concept.

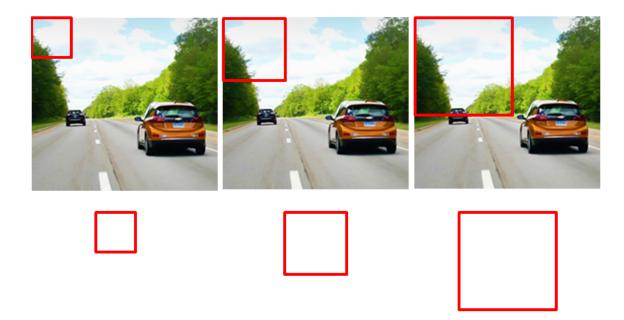


Figure 1: Object Detection through Sliding window

5 Incorporating Sliding window in Convolutional Neural Networks

The sliding window algorithm has been too slow. Let's implement this algorithm in conv.net.

5.1 Converting a fully connected layer to a conv.layer

Let us assume an input image of 14x14x3 with 16 filters of filter of 5x5. The resultant will be 16 feature maps 10x10. after applying max pooling of 2x2, the resultant image will be 5x5 (16 count). A fully connected layer will have 5x5x16=400 neurons, we can add another FC layer of 400 and then apply the softmax function to output y. For four classes (P,C,M,B), we can have four neurons at the output. Figure 4illustrates a fully connected network. Let's see how these layers can be drawn as conv. layers. figure ?? shows a corresponding convolutional neural network.

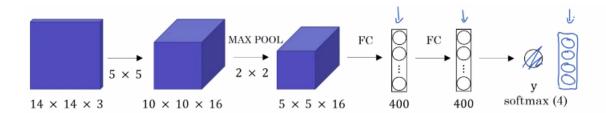


Figure 2: Fully Connected Network

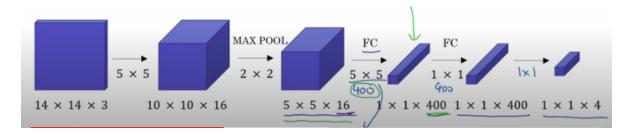


Figure 3: Fully Connected converted to to CNN

Recall: Sliding window has a massive overhead in identifying objects. (Why?). This overhead can be reduced with a slight modification in CNN.

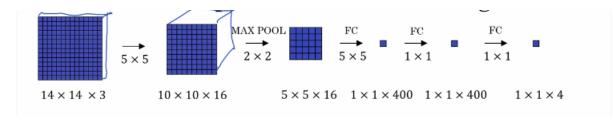


Figure 4: A Fully Connected Network

Figure 4 shows a fully connected network, whereas figure 5 shows a corresponding Conv. network. The figure is an extended image from the trained network in figure 4. Instead of applying a conventional sliding window technique, convolutional mechanism is applied to output a region. In that, each squared box in the output corresponds to a distinct o/p through sliding window.

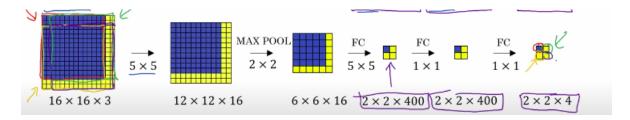


Figure 5: Sliding Window to a fully connected CNN