

Lecture 11: Object Detection and Image Segmentation

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Computer Vision Tasks

Classification



CAT

No spatial extent

Semantic Segmentation



GRASS, CAT,
TREE, SKY

No objects, just pixels

Object Detection



DOG, DOG, CAT

Instance Segmentation



DOG, DOG, CAT

Multiple Object

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Semantic Segmentation: The Problem



GRASS, CAT,
TREE, SKY, ...



At test time, classify each pixel of a new image.

Paired training data: for each training image,
each pixel is labeled with a semantic category.

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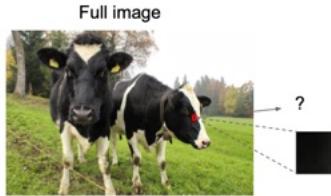
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Semantic Segmentation Idea: Sliding Window



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Impossible to classify without context

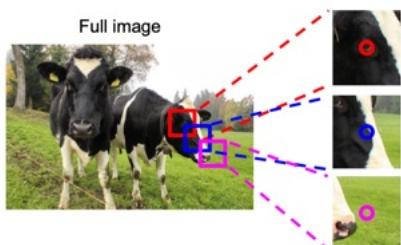
Q: how do we include context?

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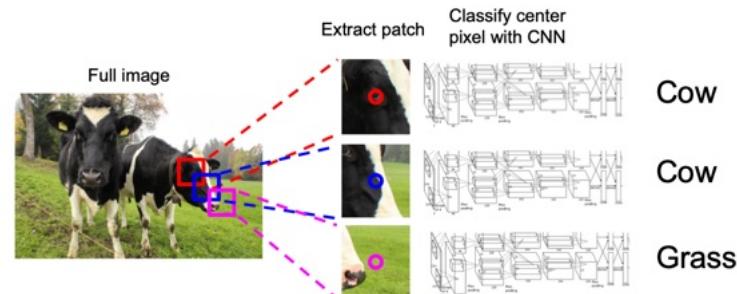


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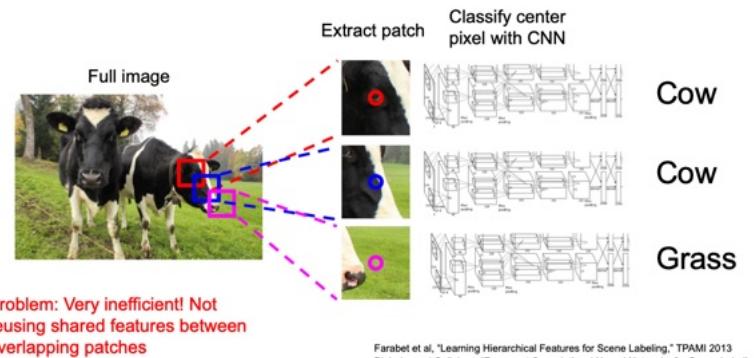
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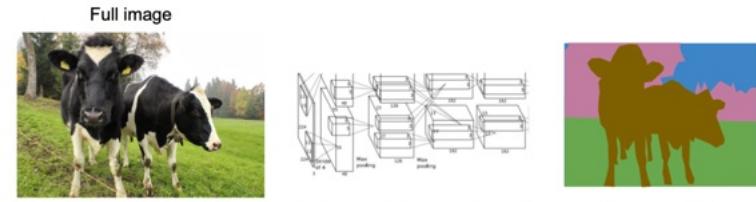


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Semantic Segmentation Idea: Convolution



An intuitive idea: encode the entire image with conv net, and do semantic segmentation on top.

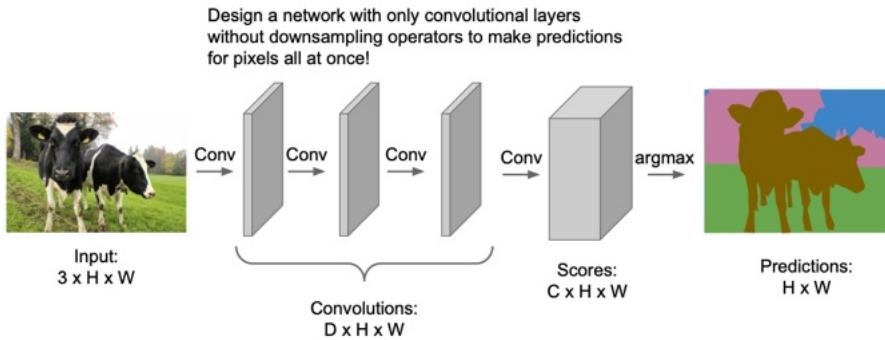
Problem: classification architectures often reduce feature spatial sizes to go deeper, but semantic segmentation requires the output size to be the same as input size.

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Semantic Segmentation Idea: Fully Convolutional

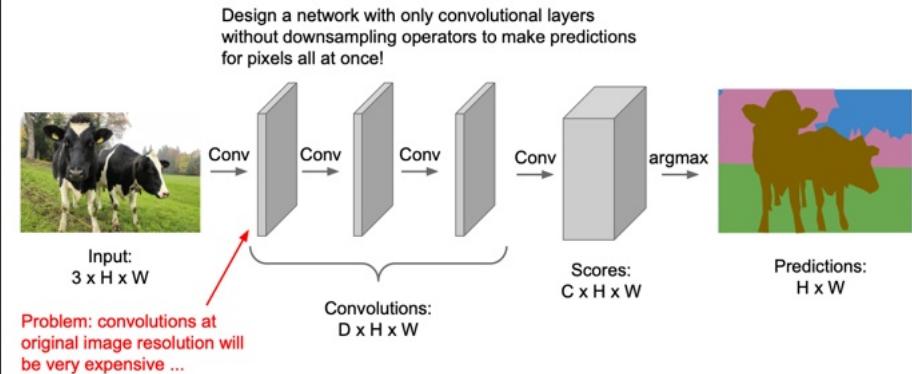


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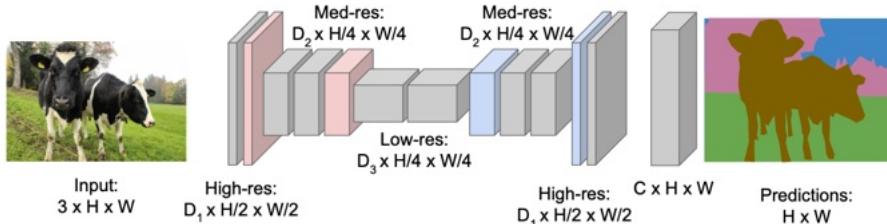
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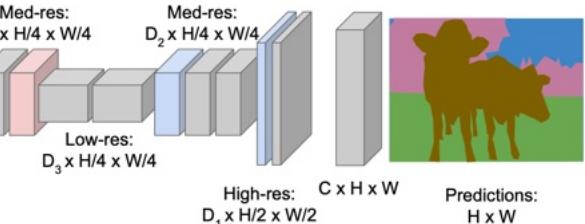
Downsampling:
Pooling, strided convolution



Input:
 $3 \times H \times W$

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Upsampling:
???



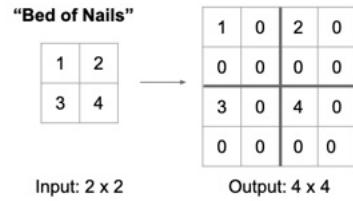
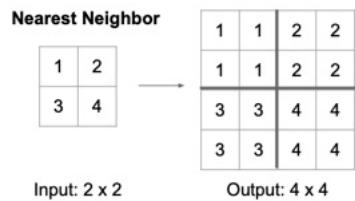
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In-Network upsampling: “Unpooling”



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In-Network upsampling: “Max Unpooling”

Max Pooling

Remember which element was max!

1	2	6	3
3	5	2	1
1	2	2	1
7	3	4	8

Input: 4 x 4

5	6
7	8

Output: 2 x 2

Rest of the network

Corresponding pairs of
downsampling and
upsampling layers

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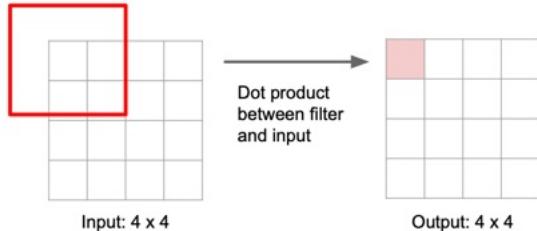
Max Unpooling
Use positions from
pooling layer

0	0	2	0
0	1	0	0
0	0	0	0
3	0	0	4

Input: 2 x 2 Output: 4 x 4

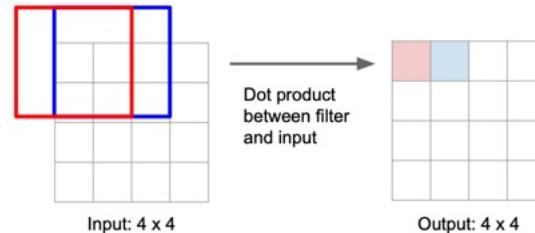
Learnable Upsampling

Recall: Normal 3 x 3 convolution, stride 1 pad 1



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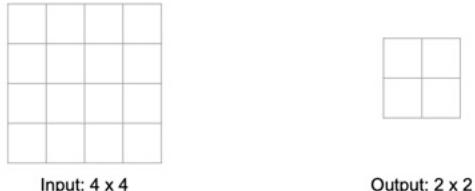
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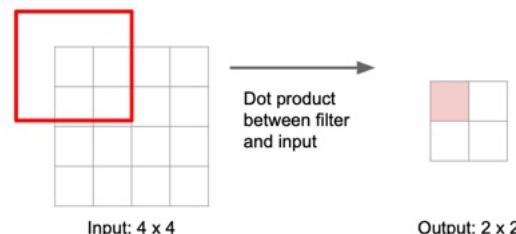
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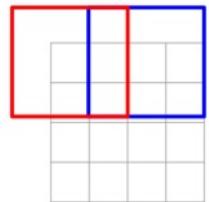
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Learnable Upsampling

Recall: Normal 3×3 convolution, stride 2 pad 1



Input: 4×4

Dot product
between filter
and input



Output: 2×2

Filter moves 2 pixels in
the input for every one
pixel in the output

Stride gives ratio between
movement in input and
output

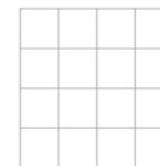
We can interpret strided
convolution as "learnable
downsampling".

Learnable Upsampling: Transposed Convolution

3×3 transposed convolution, stride 2 pad 1



Input: 2×2



Output: 4×4

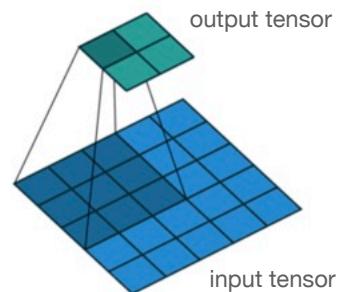


Figure 1: Normal Convolution

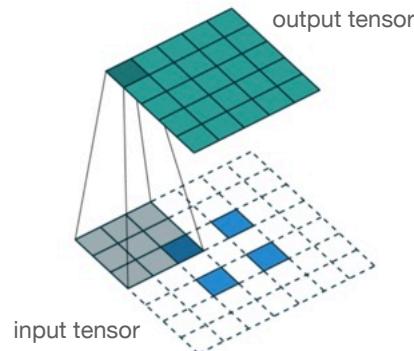
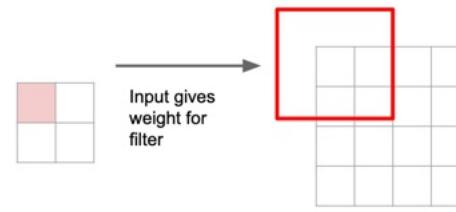


Figure 2: Transposed convolution.

Learnable Upsampling: Transposed Convolution

3×3 transposed convolution, stride 2 pad 1

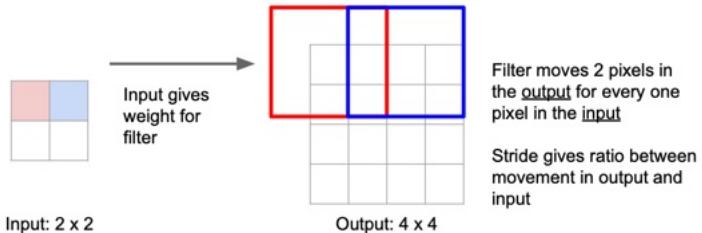


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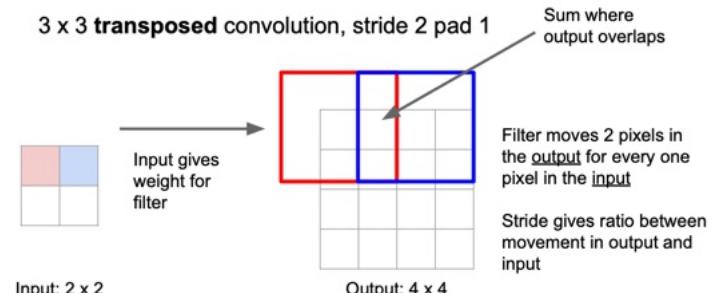
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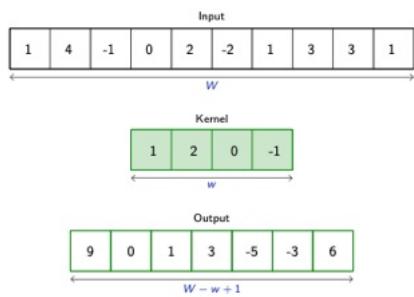


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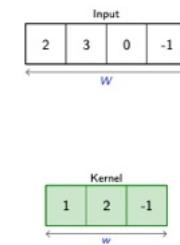
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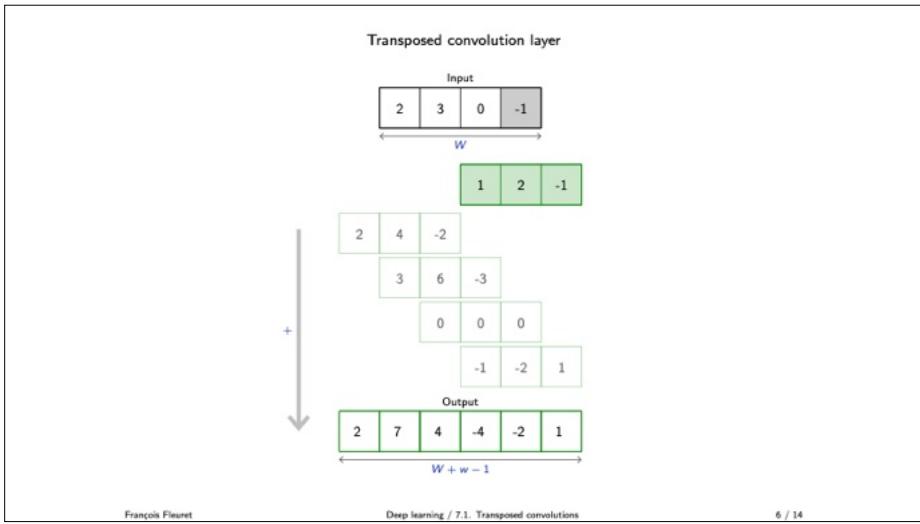
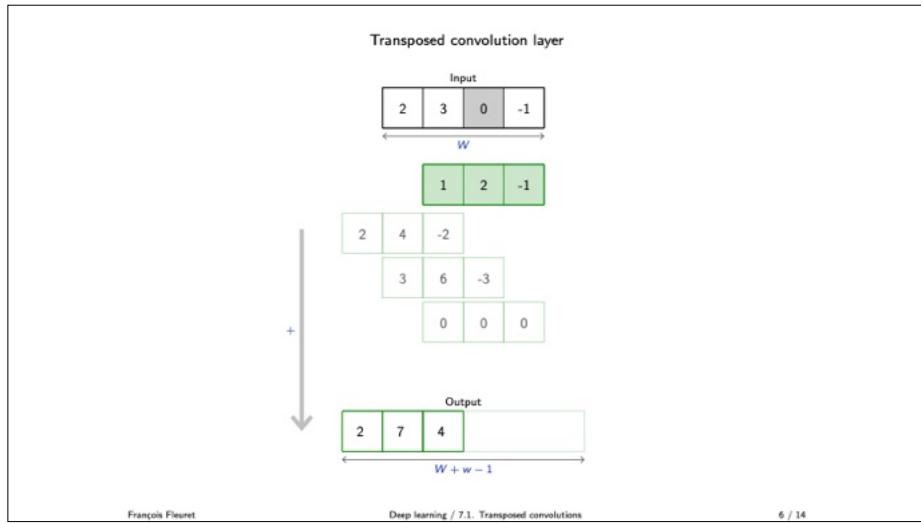
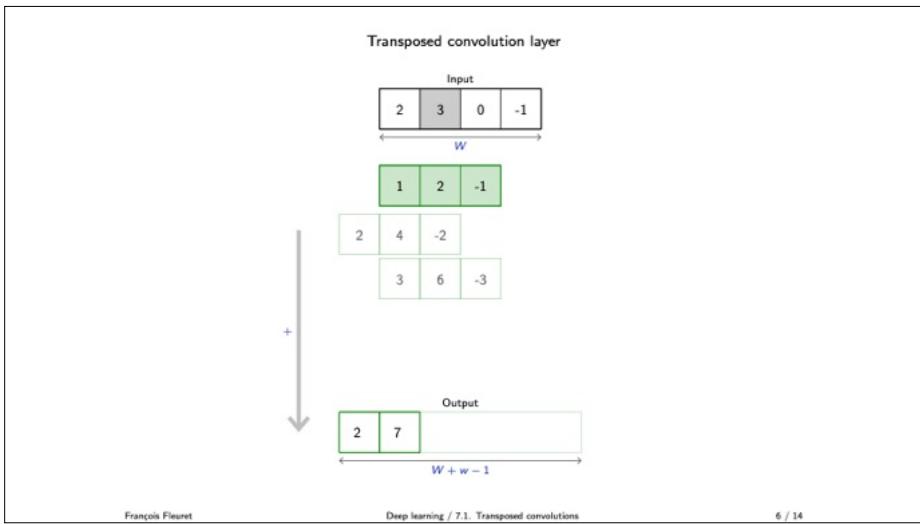
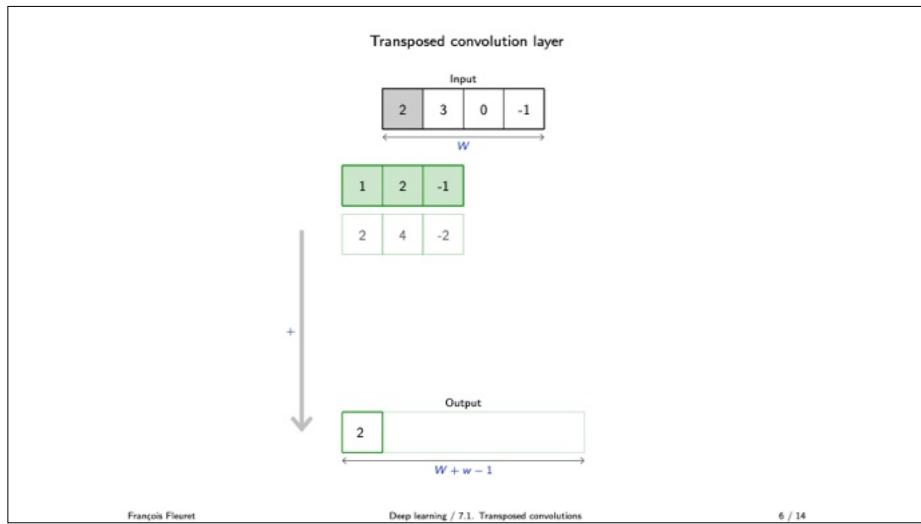


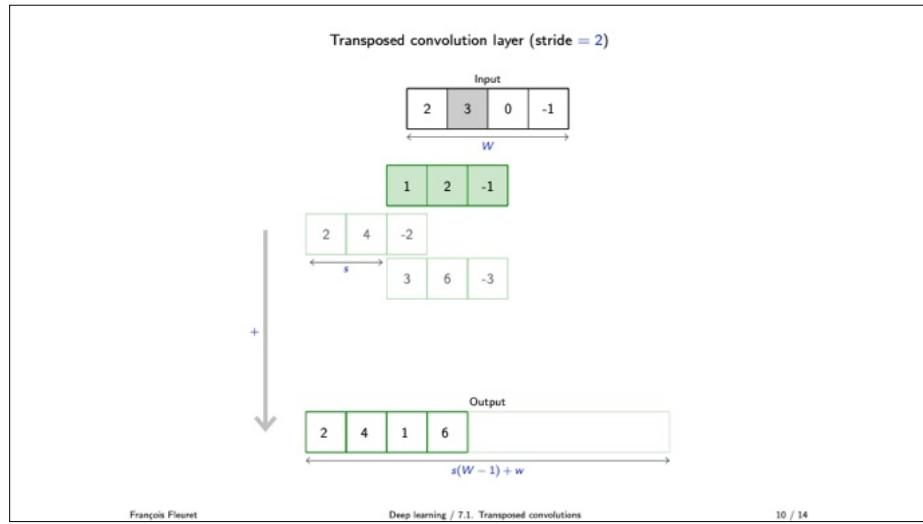
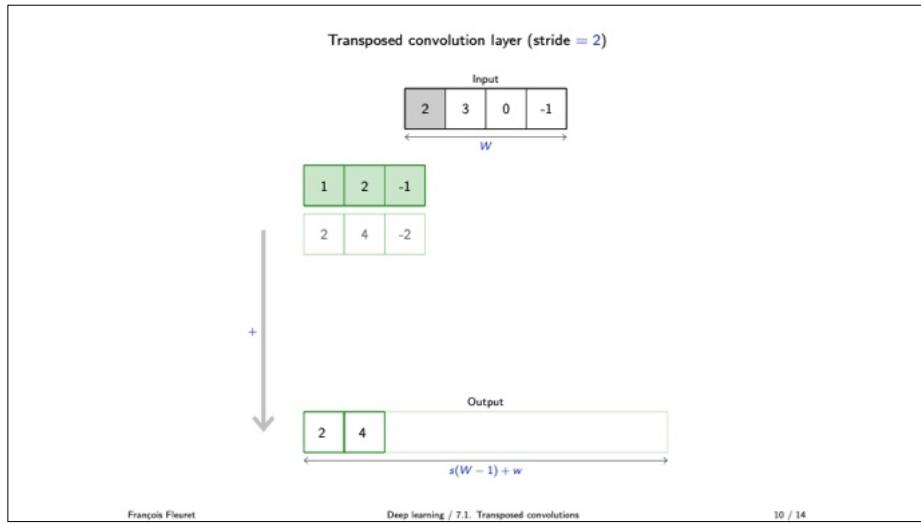
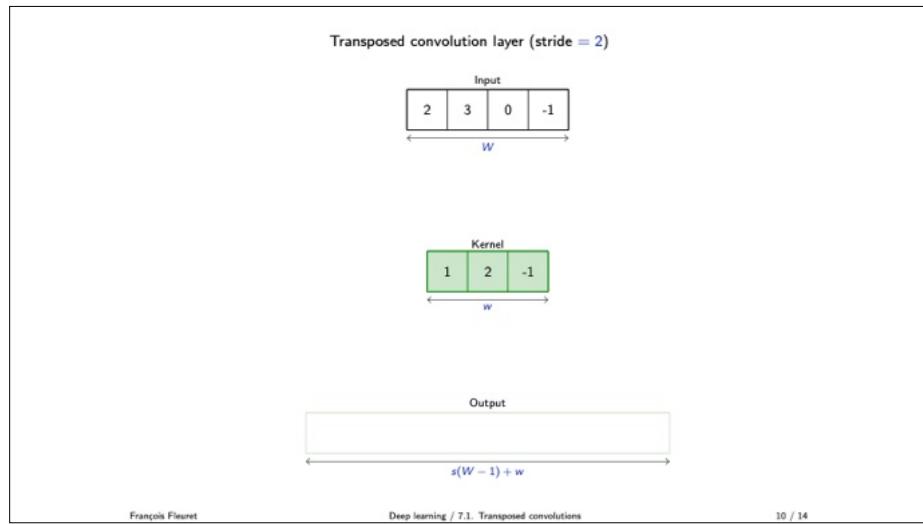
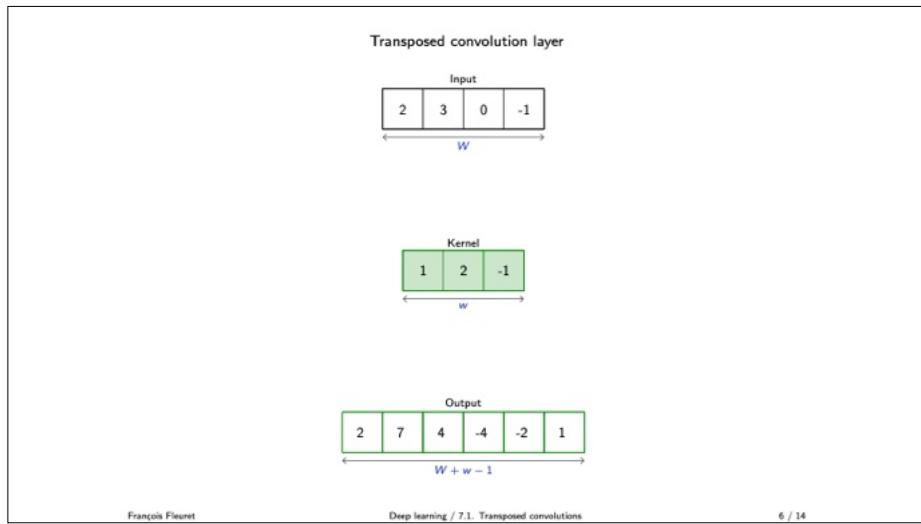
Convolution layer

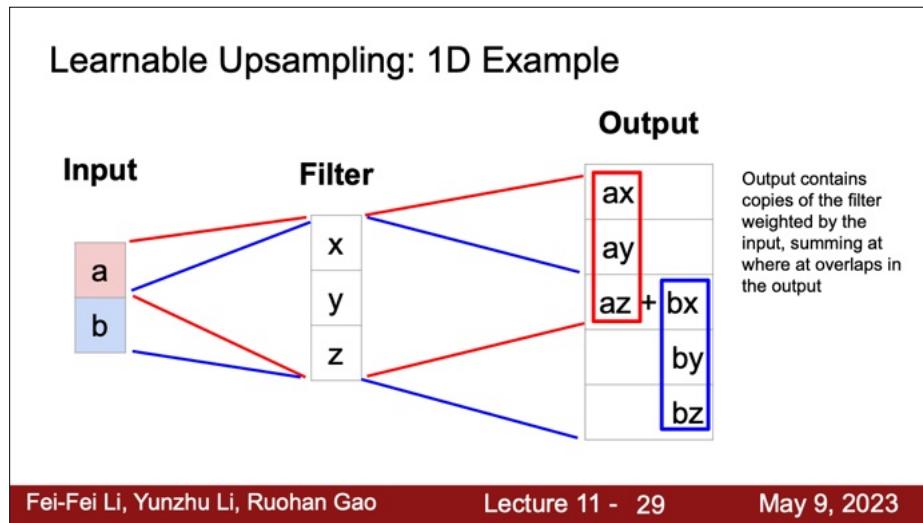
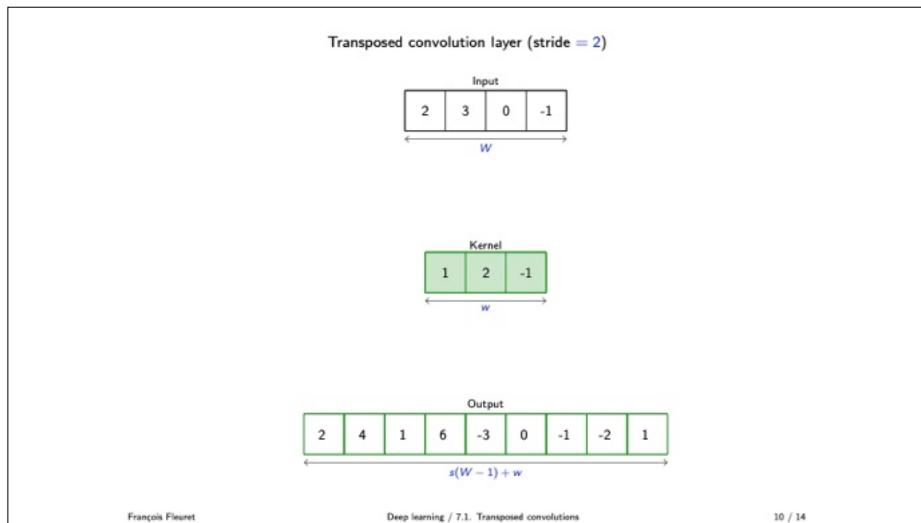
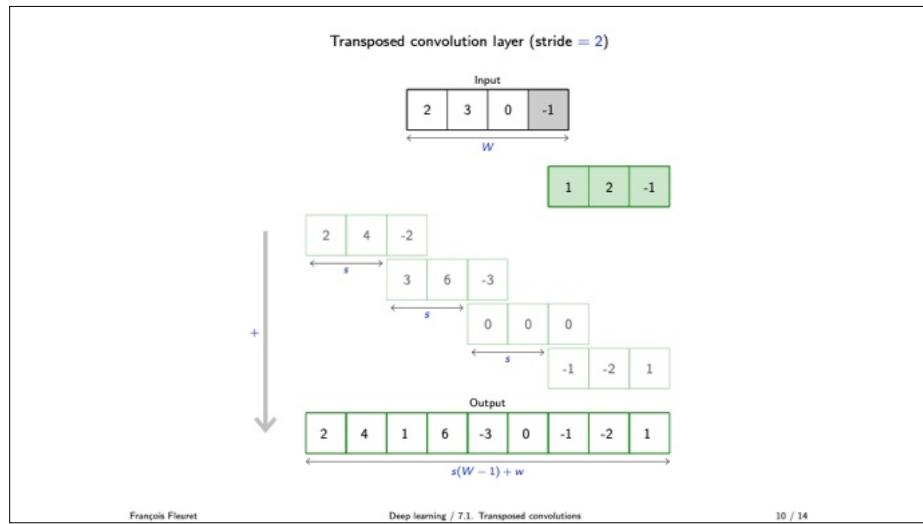
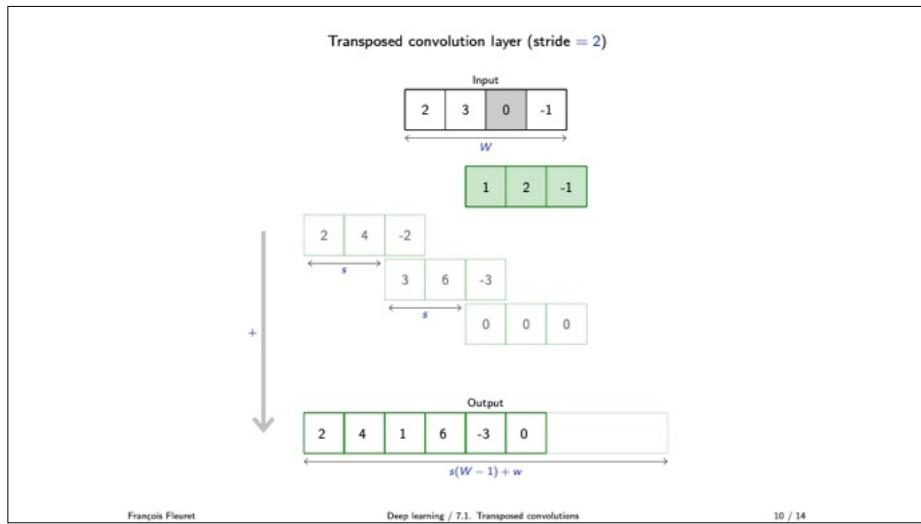


Transposed convolution layer









Convolution as Matrix Multiplication (1D Example)

We can express convolution in terms of a matrix multiplication

$$\vec{x} * \vec{a} = X\vec{a}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & y & z & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & x & y & z & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ a \\ b \\ c \\ d \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ay + bz \\ bx + cy + dz \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: 1D conv, kernel size=3, stride=2, padding=1

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Transposed convolution multiplies by the transpose of the same matrix:

$$\vec{x} *^T \vec{a} = X^T \vec{a}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} x & 0 \\ y & 0 \\ z & x \\ 0 & y \\ 0 & z \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \\ c \\ d \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ax \\ ay \\ az + bx \\ by \\ bz \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Example: 1D transposed conv, kernel size=3, stride=2, padding=0

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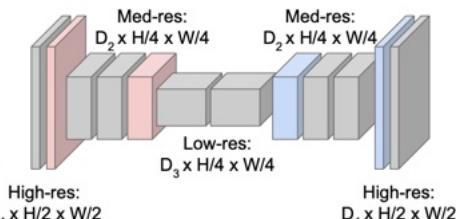
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Upsampling:
Unpooling or strided transposed convolution



Predictions:
 $H \times W$

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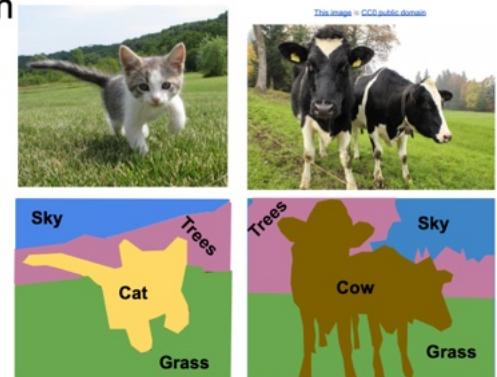
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Semantic Segmentation

Label each pixel in the image with a category label

Don't differentiate instances, only care about pixels

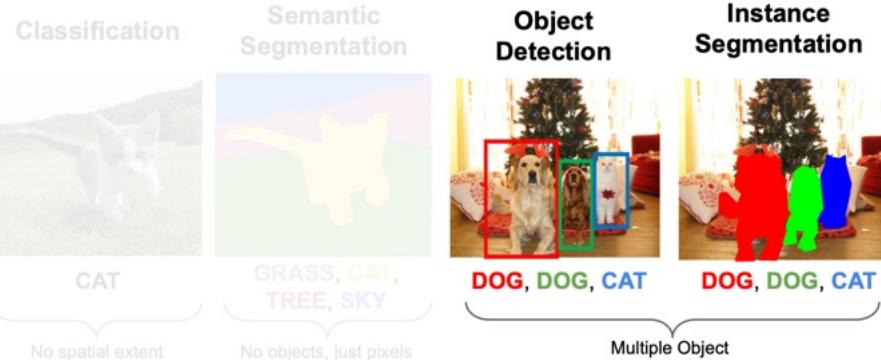


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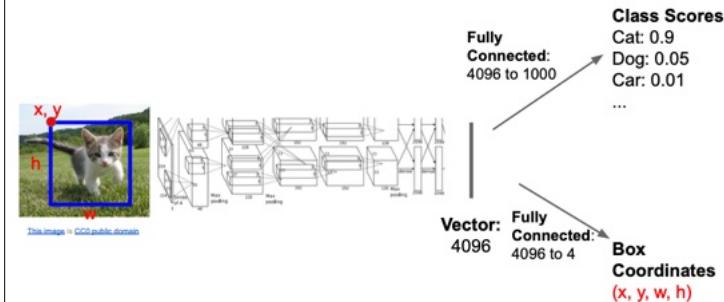


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Object Detection: Single Object (Classification + Localization)

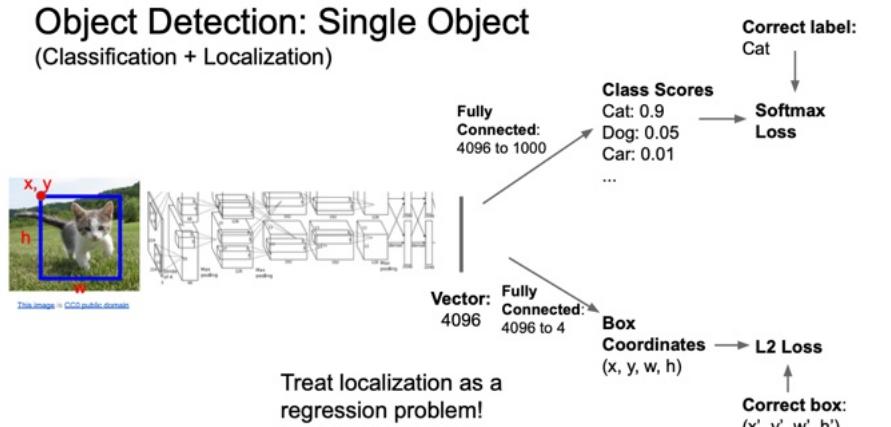


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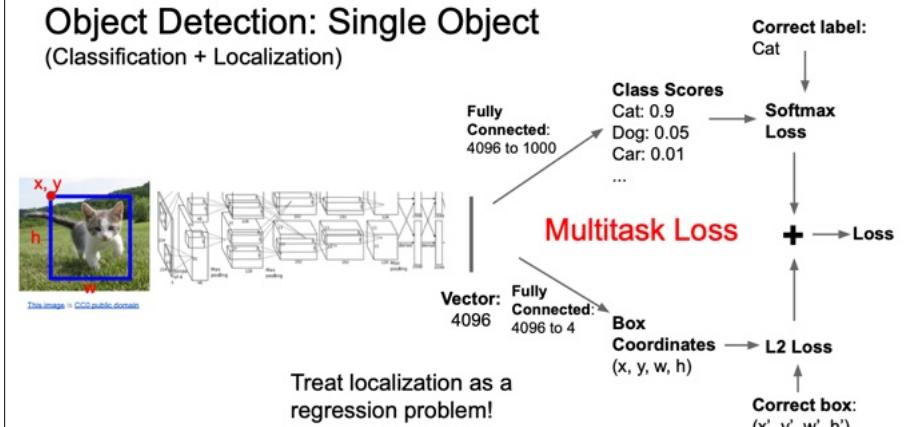


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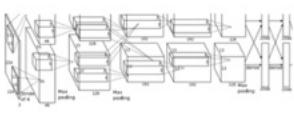


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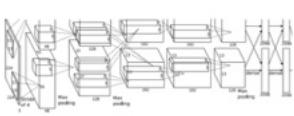
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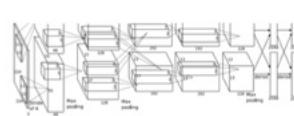
Object Detection: Multiple Objects



CAT: (x, y, w, h)



DOG: (x, y, w, h)
DOG: (x, y, w, h)
CAT: (x, y, w, h)



DUCK: (x, y, w, h)
DUCK: (x, y, w, h)
....

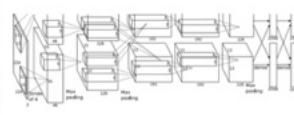
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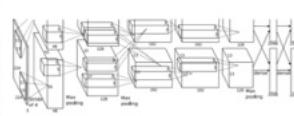
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Each image needs a
different number of outputs!

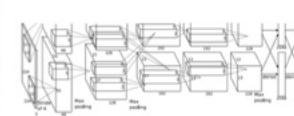
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CAT: (x, y, w, h) 4 numbers



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CAT: (x, y, w, h)



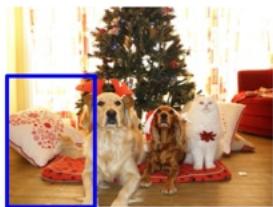
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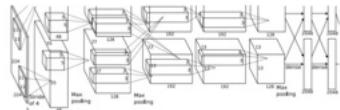
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Object Detection: Multiple Objects



Apply a CNN to many different crops of the image, CNN classifies each crop as object or background



Dog? NO
Cat? NO
Background? YES

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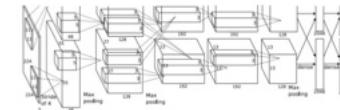
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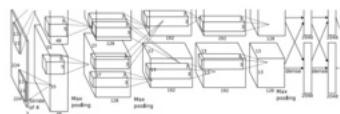
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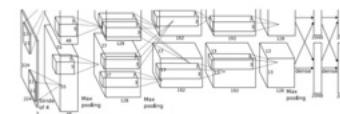
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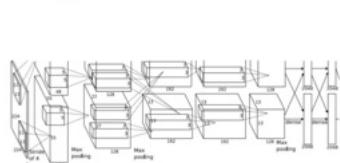
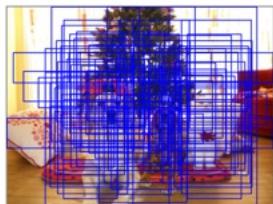
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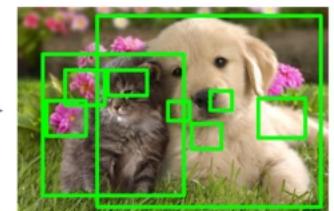


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Problem: Need to apply CNN to huge number of locations, scales, and aspect ratios, very computationally expensive!

Region Proposals: Selective Search

- Find "blobby" image regions that are likely to contain objects
- Relatively fast to run; e.g. Selective Search gives 2000 region proposals in a few seconds on CPU



Alexe et al., "Measuring the objectness of image windows", TPAMI 2012
Uijlings et al., "Selective Search for Object Recognition", IJCV 2013
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Regions of Interest
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method (~2k)

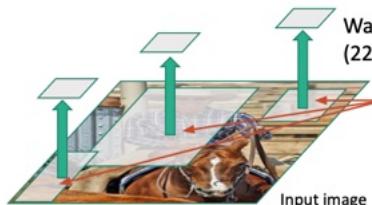
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Warped image regions
(224x224 pixels)
Regions of Interest
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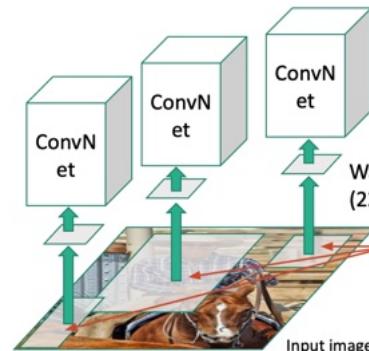
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Forward each region
through ConvNet
(ImageNet-pretrained)

Warped image regions
(224x224 pixels)
Regions of Interest
(RoI) from a proposal
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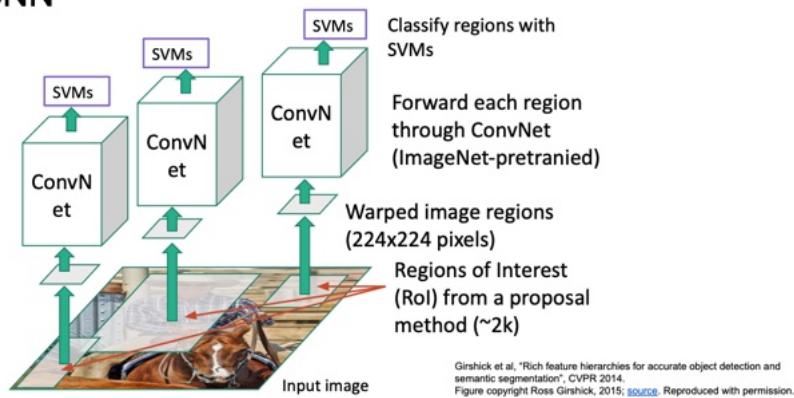
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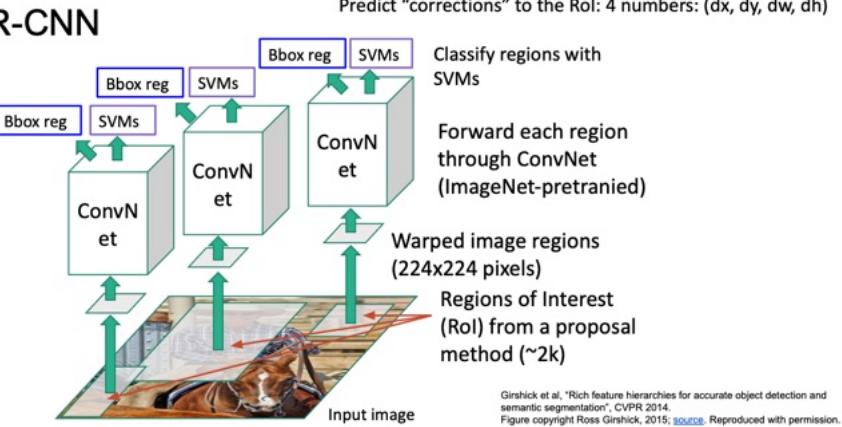


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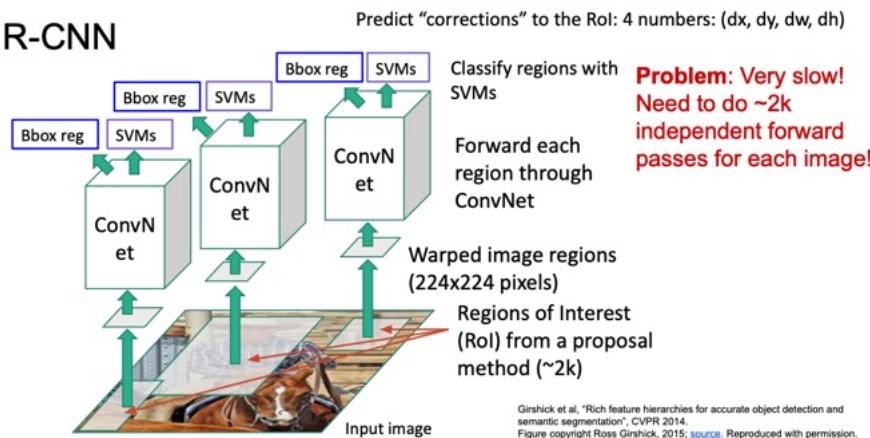


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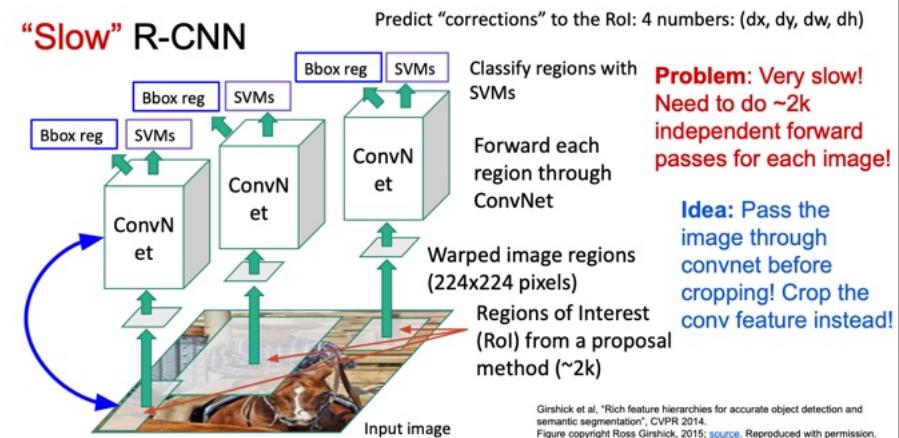


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"Slow" R-CNN



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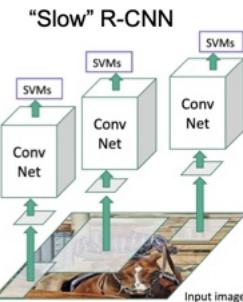
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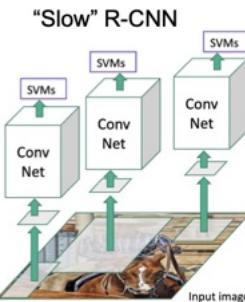
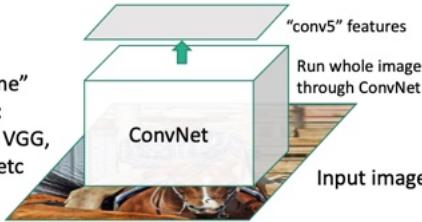
Fast R-CNN



Input image



Fast R-CNN



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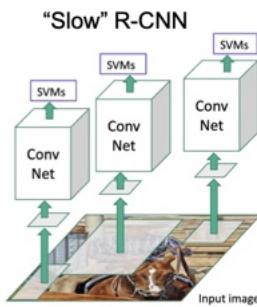
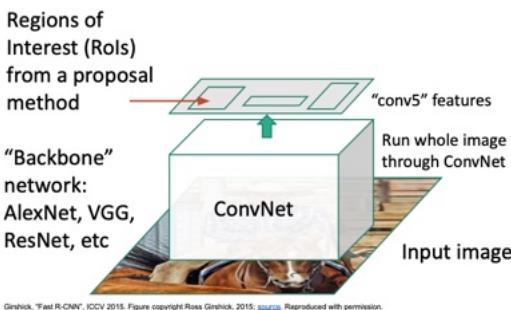
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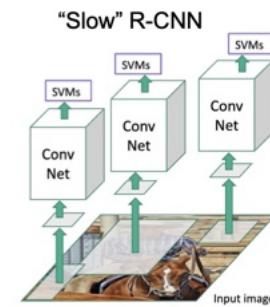
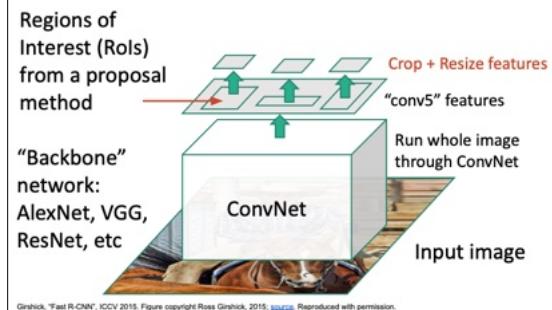


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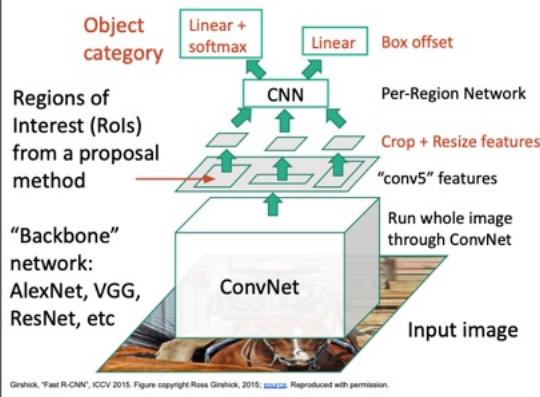


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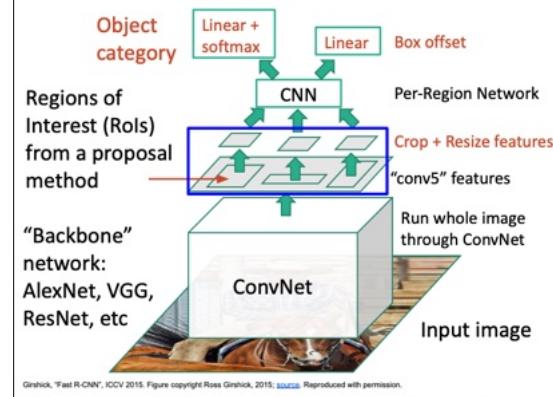


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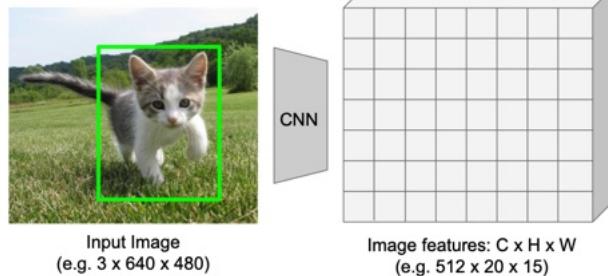


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Cropping Features: RoI Pool

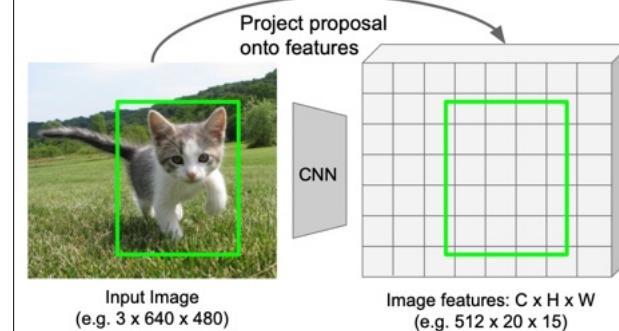


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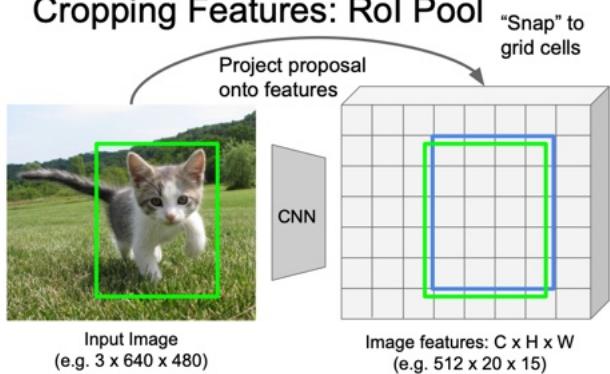


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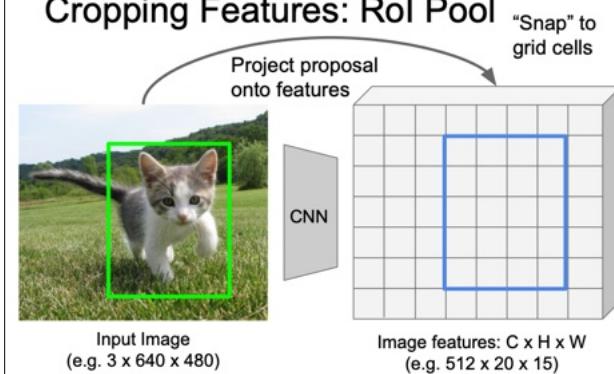
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Cropping Features: RoI Pool



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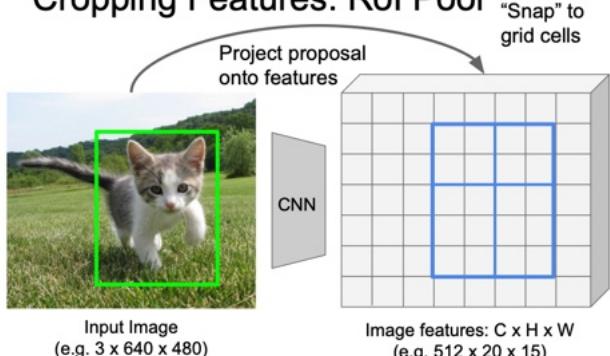
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Cropping Features: RoI Pool

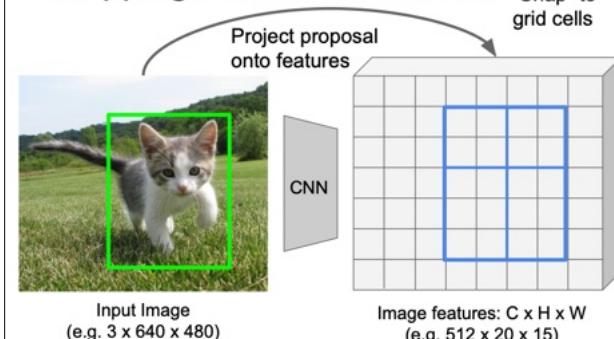


Divide into 2x2 grid of (roughly) equal subregions

Max-pool within each subregion

Region features (here 512 x 2 x 2; In practice e.g. 512 x 7 x 7)

Cropping Features: RoI Pool



Divide into 2x2 grid of (roughly) equal subregions

Max-pool within each subregion

Region features always the same size even if input regions have different sizes!

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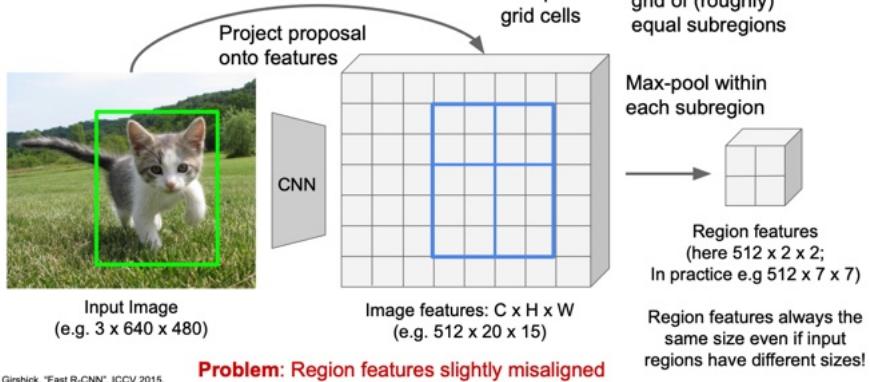
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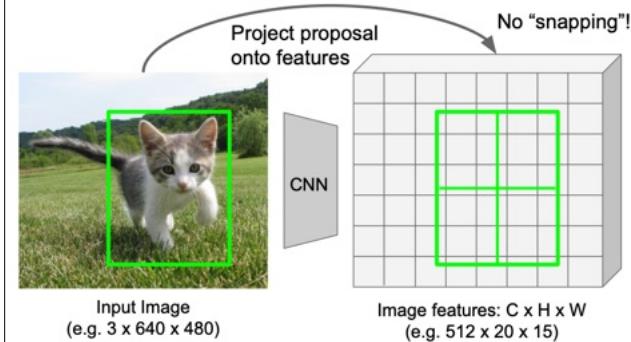


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Cropping Features: RoI Align

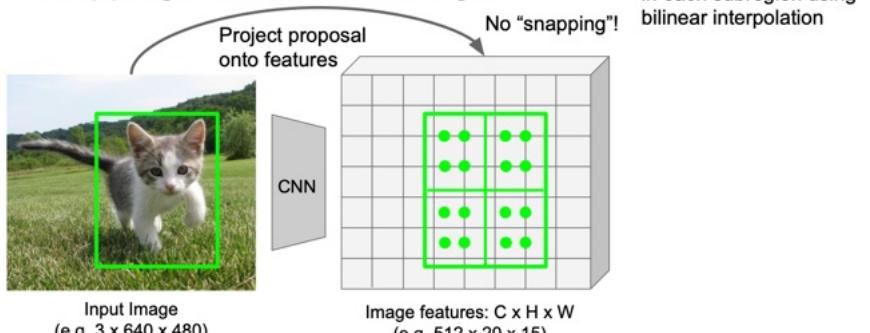


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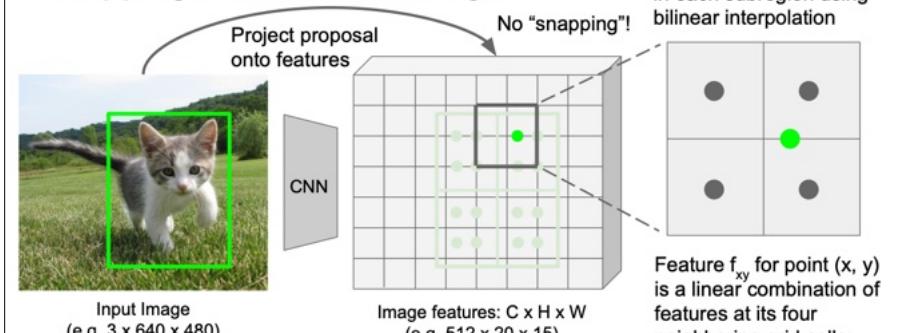


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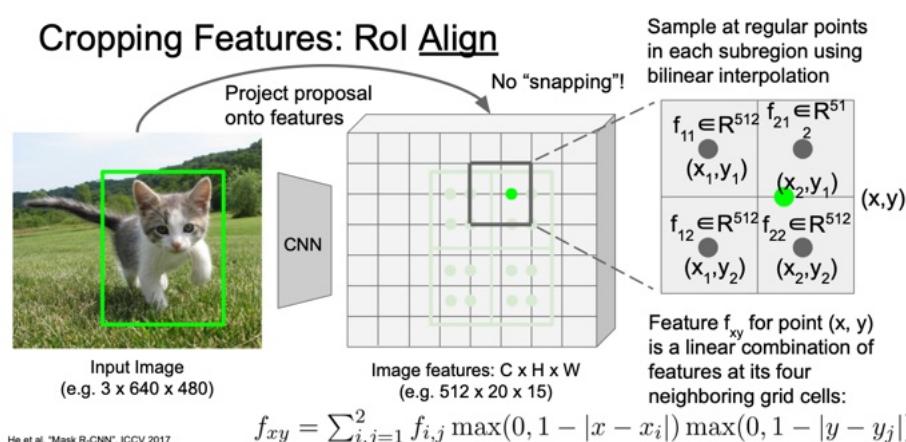


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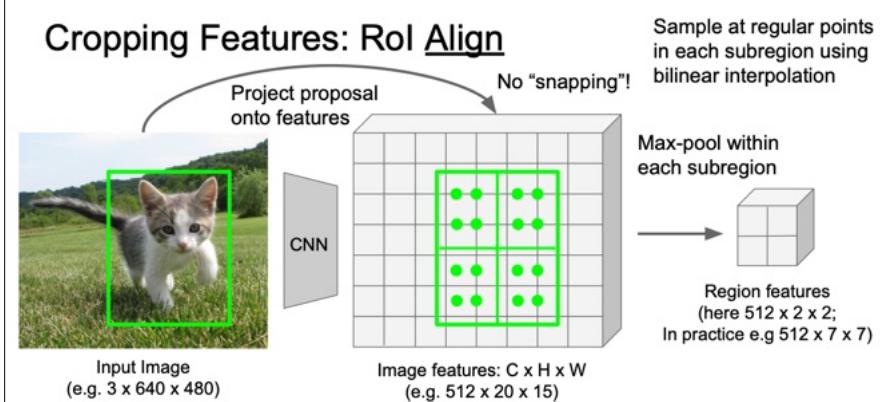


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Cropping Features: RoI Align



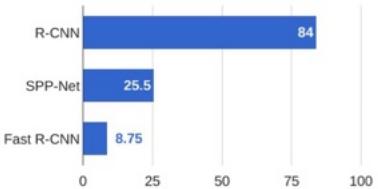
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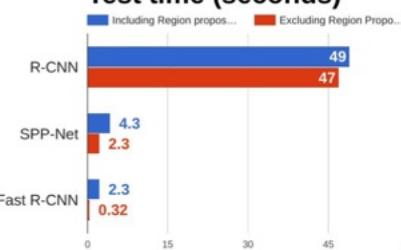
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R-CNN vs Fast R-CNN

Training time (Hours)



Test time (seconds)



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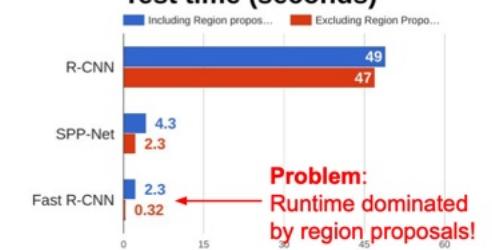
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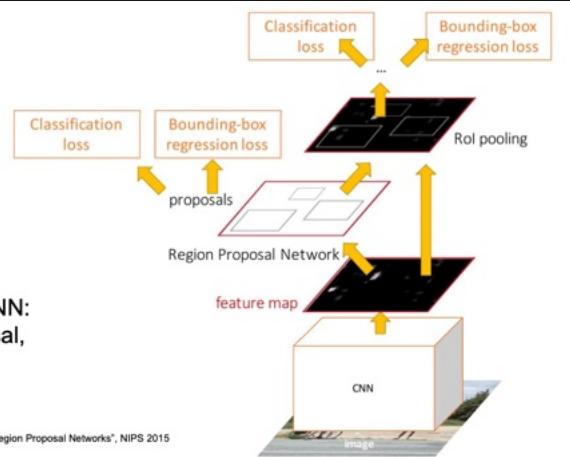
Faster R-CNN:

Make CNN do proposals!

Insert Region Proposal Network (RPN) to predict proposals from features

Otherwise same as Fast R-CNN:
Crop features for each proposal,
classify each one

Ren et al. "Faster R-CNN: Towards Real-Time Object Detection with Region Proposal Networks", NIPS 2015
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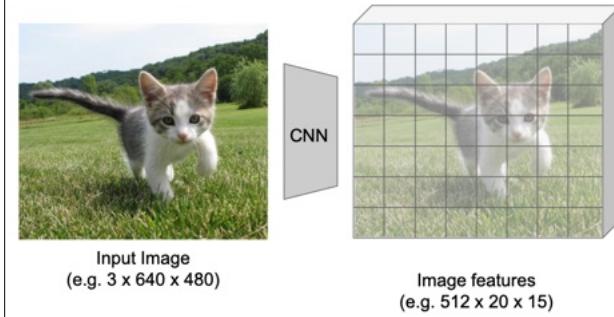


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Region Proposal Network



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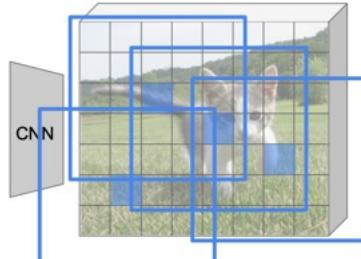
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Region Proposal Network



Input Image
(e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)



Imagine an **anchor box** of fixed size at each point in the feature map

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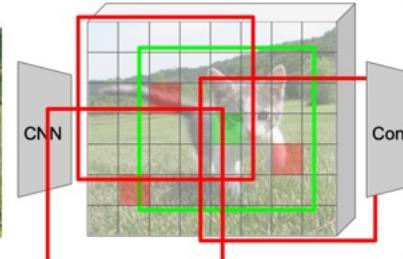
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Region Proposal Network



Input Image
(e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)



Imagine an **anchor box** of fixed size at each point in the feature map

Anchor is an object?
 $1 \times 20 \times 15$

At each point, predict whether the corresponding anchor contains an object (binary classification)

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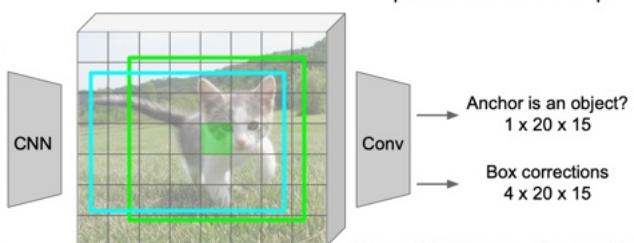
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Input Image
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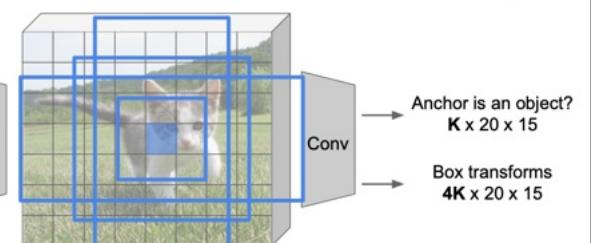
Imagine an **anchor box**
of fixed size at each
point in the feature map

For positive boxes, also predict
a corrections from the anchor to
the ground-truth box (regress 4
numbers per pixel)

Region Proposal Network



Input Image
(e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)



In practice use K different
anchor boxes of different
size / scale at each point

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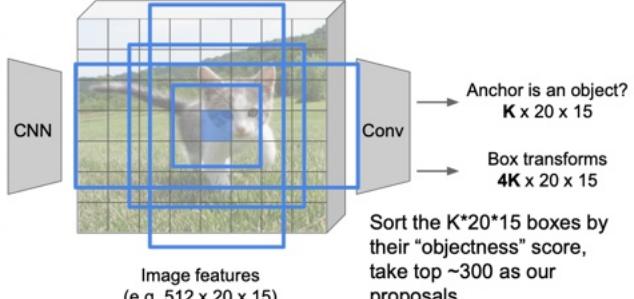
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Region Proposal Network



Input Image
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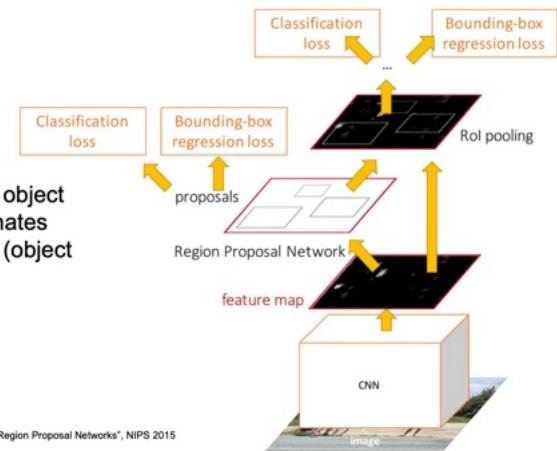
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size / scale at each point

Sort the $K \times 20 \times 15$ boxes by
their "objectness" score,
take top ~ 300 as our
proposals

Faster R-CNN:

Make CNN do proposals!

- Jointly train with 4 losses:
 1. RPN classify object / not object
 2. RPN regress box coordinates
 3. Final classification score (object classes)
 4. Final box coordinates



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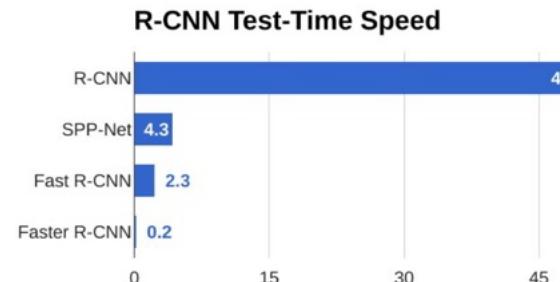
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Faster R-CNN:

Make CNN do proposals!



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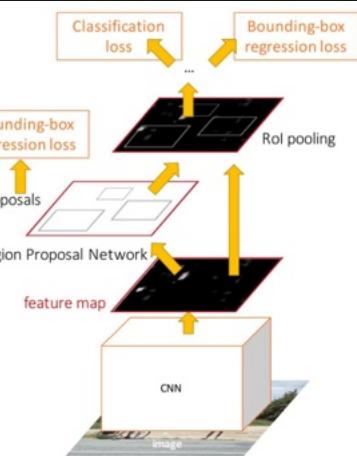
Faster R-CNN:

Make CNN do proposals!

Glossing over many details:

- Ignore overlapping proposals with **non-max suppression**
- How are anchors determined?
- How do we sample positive / negative samples for training the RPN?
- How to parameterize bounding box regression?

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Faster R-CNN:

Make CNN do proposals!

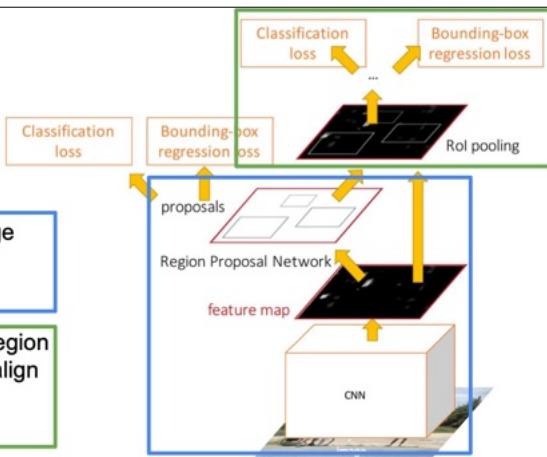
Faster R-CNN is a
Two-stage object detector

First stage: Run once per image

- Backbone network
- Region proposal network

Second stage: Run once per region

- Crop features: RoI pool / align
- Predict object class
- Prediction bbox offset



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Faster R-CNN:

Make CNN do proposals!

Do we really need
the second stage?

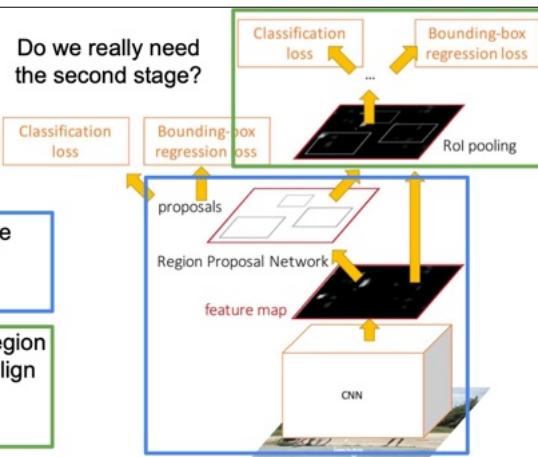
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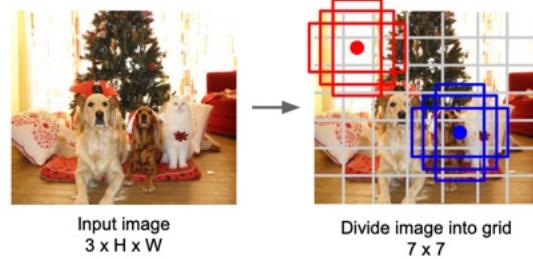


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Single-Stage Object Detectors: YOLO / SSD / RetinaNet



- Within each grid cell:
- Regress from each of the B base boxes to a final box with 5 numbers: (dx, dy, dh, dw, confidence)
 - Predict scores for each of C classes (including background as a class)
 - Looks a lot like RPN, but category-specific!

Redmon et al., "You Only Look Once: Unified, Real-Time Object Detection", CVPR 2016
 Liu et al., "SSD: Single-Shot MultiBox Detector", ECCV 2016
 Lin et al., "Focal Loss for Dense Object Detection", ICCV 2017

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Object Detection: Lots of variables ...

Backbone Network
VGG16
ResNet-101
Inception V2
Inception V3
Inception ResNet
MobileNet

"Meta-Architecture"
Two-stage: Faster R-CNN
Single-stage: YOLO / SSD
Hybrid: R-FCN

Image Size
Region Proposals
...

Takeaways
Faster R-CNN is slower but more accurate

SSD is much faster but not as accurate

Bigger / Deeper backbones work better

Huang et al., "Speed/accuracy trade-offs for modern convolutional object detectors", CVPR 2017
 Zou et al., "Object Detection in 20 Years: A Survey", arXiv 2019

R-FCN: Dai et al., "R-FCN: Object Detection via Region-based Fully Convolutional Networks", NIPS 2016
 Inception-V2: Szegedy et al., "Batch Normalization: Accelerating Deep Network Training by Reducing Internal Covariate Shift", ICML 2015
 Inception-V3: Szegedy et al., "Rethinking the Inception Architecture for Computer Vision", arXiv 2016
 Inception ResNet: Szegedy et al., "Inception-v4, Inception-ResNet and the Impact of Residual Connections on Learning", arXiv 2016
 MobileNet: Howard et al., "Efficient Convolutional Neural Networks for Mobile Vision Applications", arXiv 2017

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Instance Segmentation

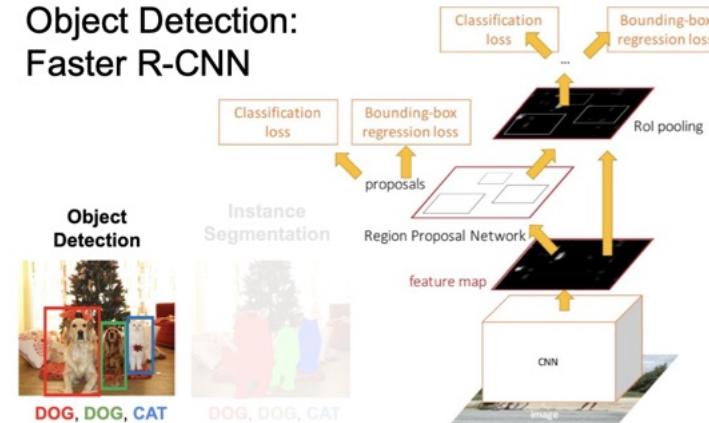


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Object Detection: Faster R-CNN

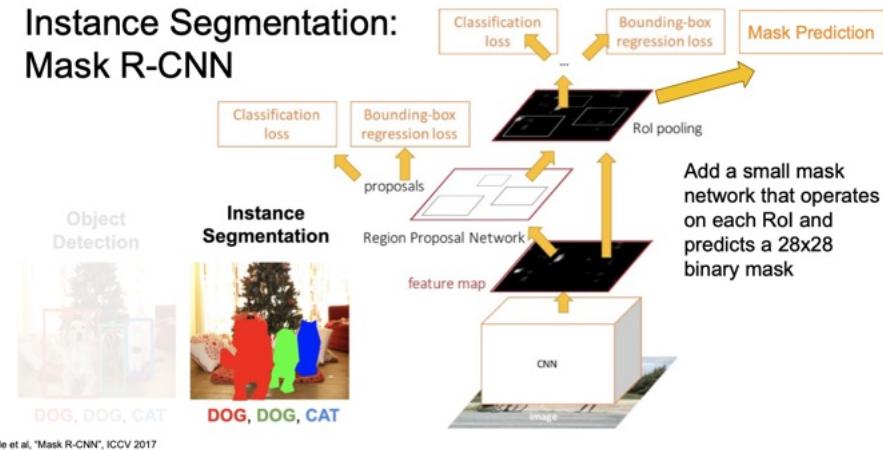


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Instance Segmentation: Mask R-CNN

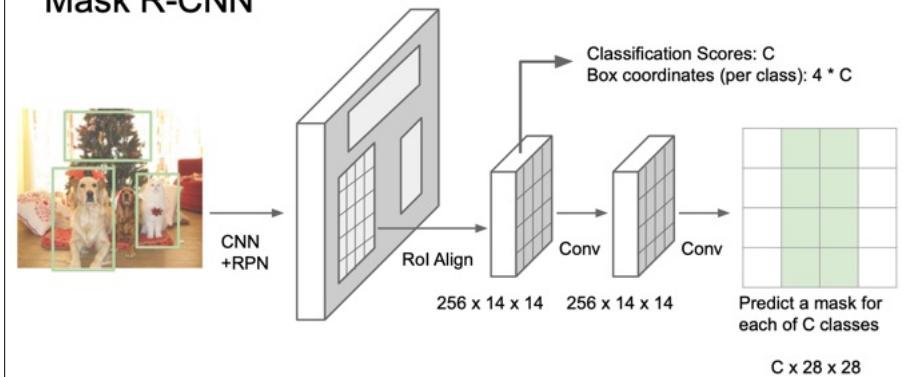


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Mask R-CNN

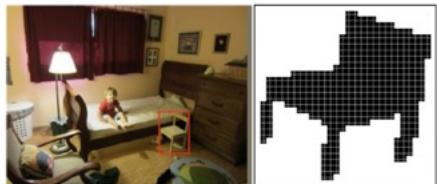


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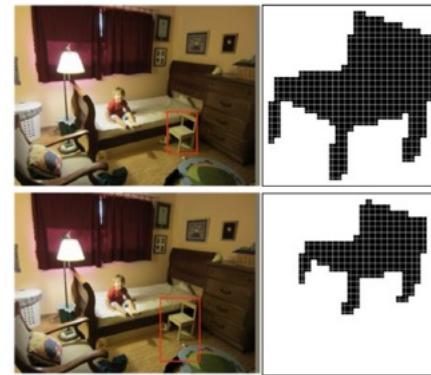


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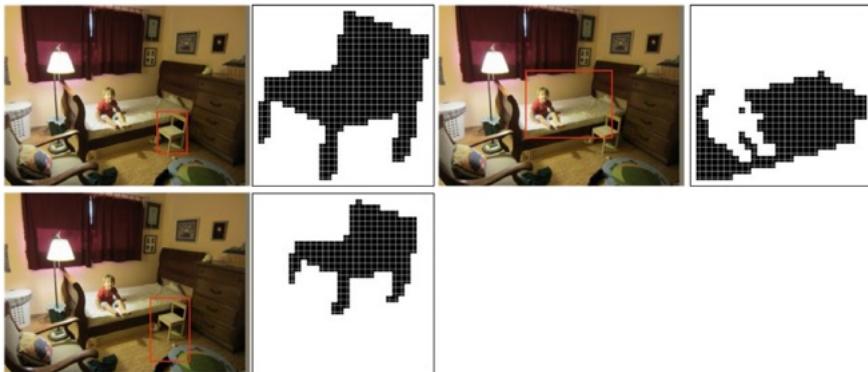


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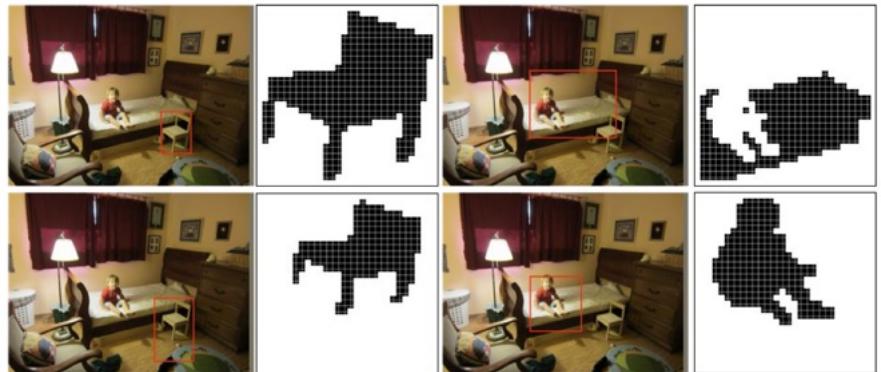


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Mask R-CNN: Example Mask Training Targets

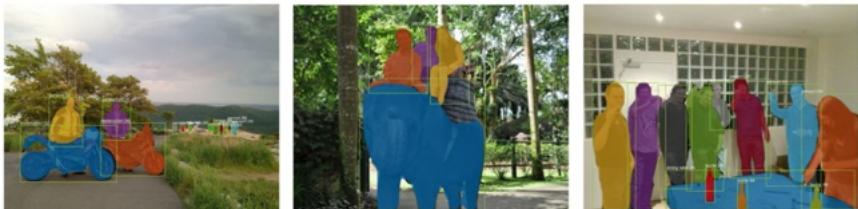


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Mask R-CNN: Very Good Results!



He et al., "Mask R-CNN", ICCV 2017

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Mask R-CNN Also does pose



He et al., "Mask R-CNN", ICCV 2017

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Open Source Frameworks

Lots of good implementations on GitHub!

TensorFlow Detection API:

https://github.com/tensorflow/models/tree/master/research/object_detection

Faster RCNN, SSD, RFCN, Mask R-CNN, ...

Detectron2 (PyTorch)

<https://github.com/facebookresearch/detectron2>

Mask R-CNN, RetinaNet, Faster R-CNN, RPN, Fast R-CNN, R-FCN, ...

Finetune on your own dataset with pre-trained models

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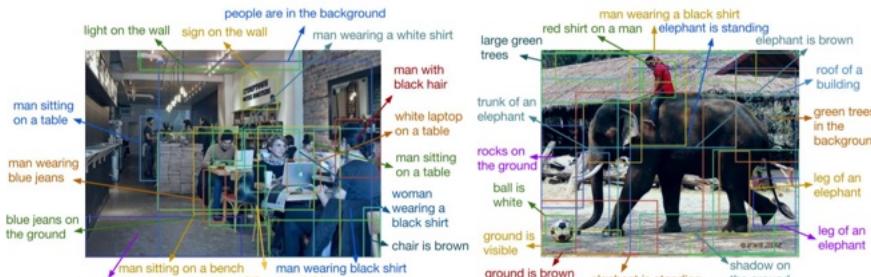
Beyond 2D Object Detection...

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Object Detection + Captioning = Dense Captioning



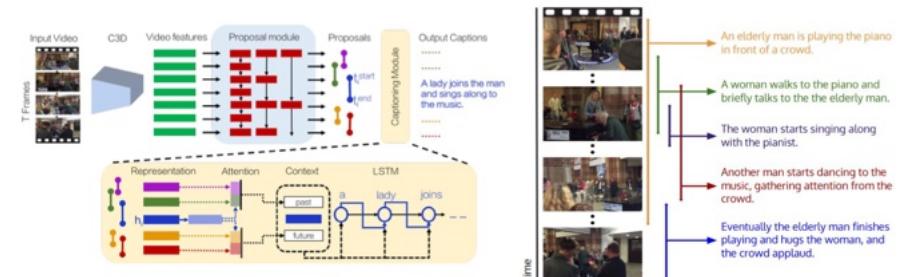
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Dense Video Captioning



Ranjay Krishna et al., "Dense-Captioning Events in Videos", ICCV 2017.
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Objects + Relationships = Scene Graphs

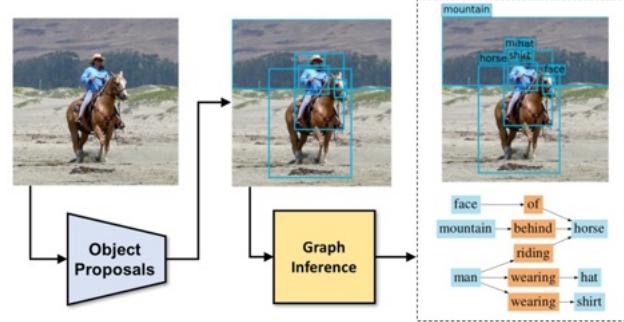


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Scene Graph Prediction



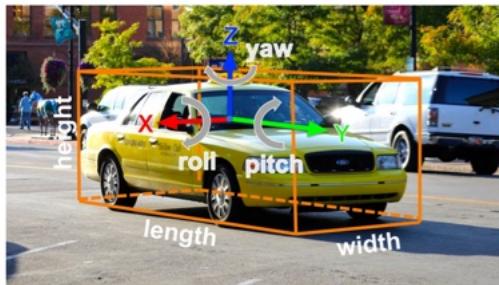
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3D Object Detection



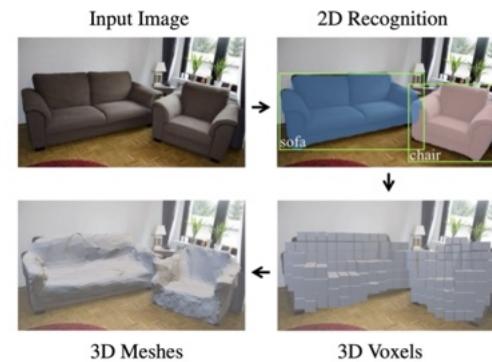
2D Object Detection:
2D bounding box
(x , y , w , h)

3D Object Detection:
3D oriented bounding box
(x, y, z, w, h, l, r, p, y)

Simplified bbox: no roll & pitch

Much harder problem than 2D object detection!

3D Shape Prediction: Mesh R-CNN



Gkioxari et al., Mesh RCNN, ICCV 2019

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