

You Only Look Once: Unified, Real-Time Object Detection

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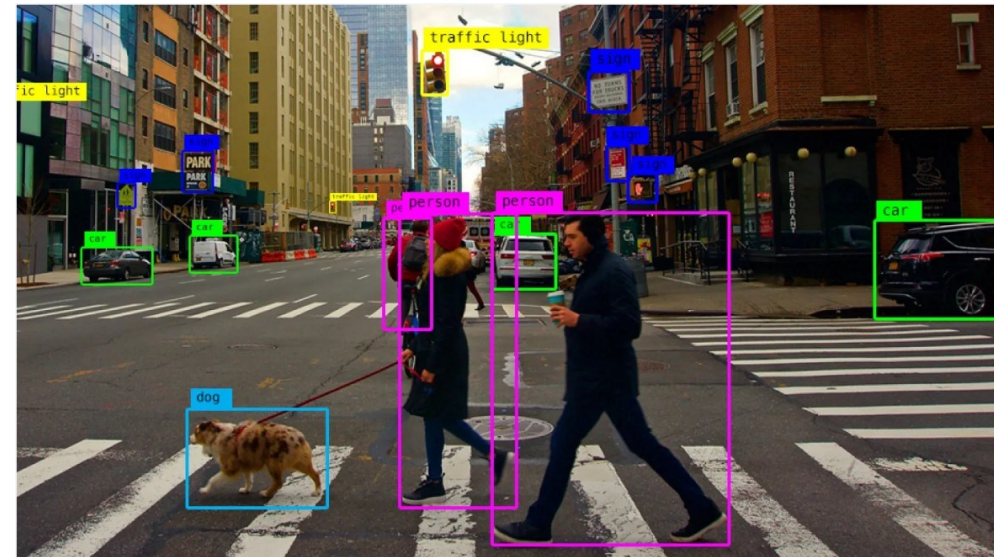
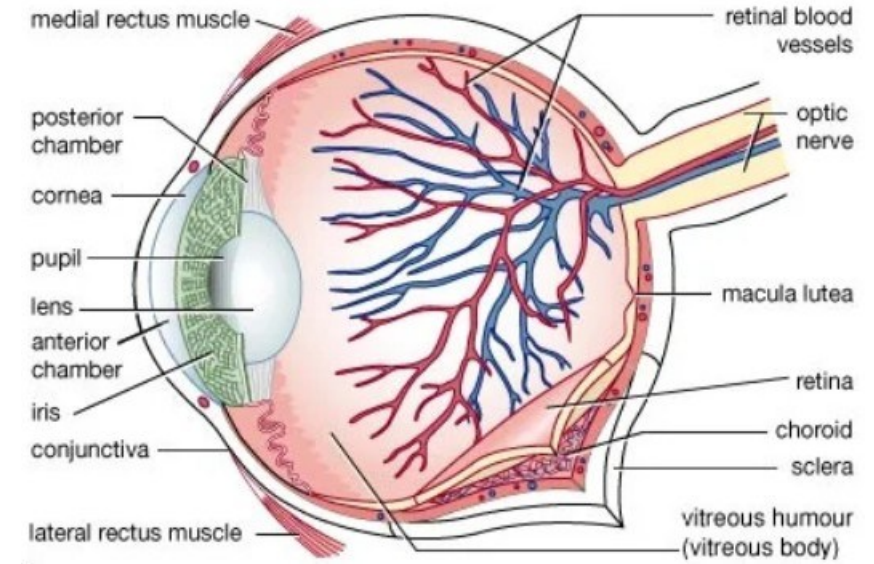
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Introduction (1/3)

- ❑ **The human visual system is both fast and accurate**
 - Enables us to handle complex activities like driving with little conscious thought or navigating dark environments.
- ❑ To replicate this capability, we need object detection algorithms that are also fast and accurate
 - To support autonomous driving.
 - To support assistive technologies that provide real-time visual feedback to users.
- ❑ **Existing object detection systems include:**
 - DPM
 - This method uses a sliding window technique, where a classifier is applied at regular intervals across the image.
 - R-CNN
 - This approach generates potential bounding boxes using region proposals and then applies a classifier to these boxes.
- ❑ However, both DPM and R-CNN involve intricate multi-stage processes, making them relatively slow and difficult to fine-tune **as each individual component requires separate training**



Introduction (2/3)

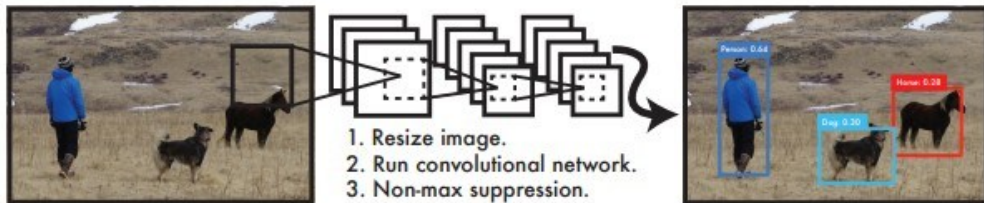
❑ **PROBLEM:** It is difficult to emulate the human eye's ability to detect objects instantly and effortlessly.

- But we need to solve this fundamental challenge in computer vision

❑ Typical object detection workflows include:

- Extracting meaningful features from the input image.
- Using classifiers or localizers to detect objects in the feature space.
- Running these models across the full image or selected regions, often using a sliding window approach.

❑ The layered nature of these pipelines makes object detection systems slow and unsuitable for real-time applications.



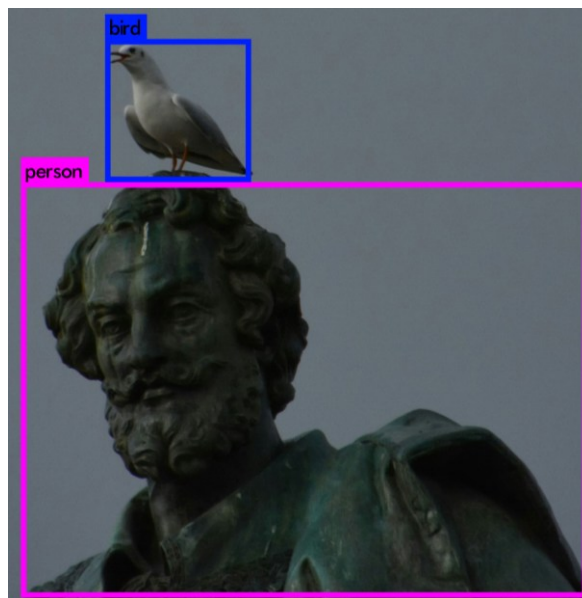
❑ **YOLO Model**

- Transforms object detection into a unified regression task.
- Image pixels => Bounding boxes => Class probabilities of boxes.
- Utilizes a single NN to predict multiple bounding boxes and their class probabilities in one pass.
- Designed to be fast and simple, avoiding multi-step pipelines.

Introduction (3/3)

❑ YOLO vs DPM vs R-CNN: Advantage

- Extremely fast, capable of handling real-time video streams with only ~ 25 ms delay.
- Learns features that generalize well.
- Makes predictions by considering the entire image context, unlike localized approaches of DPM and R-CNN.



YOLO Unified Detection

❑ YOLO splits the input image into an $S \times S$ grid

- Each cell in the grid predicts B bounding boxes along with a confidence score.
- The confidence score reflects two things:
 1. The likelihood that an object exists in the box.
 2. How accurately the predicted box overlaps with the actual object
 - **Confidence = $\text{Pr}(\text{Object}) * \text{IOU}_{\text{Pred}}^{\text{truth}}$**

❑ Each bounding box includes 5 predicted values: x, y, w, h , and *confidence*

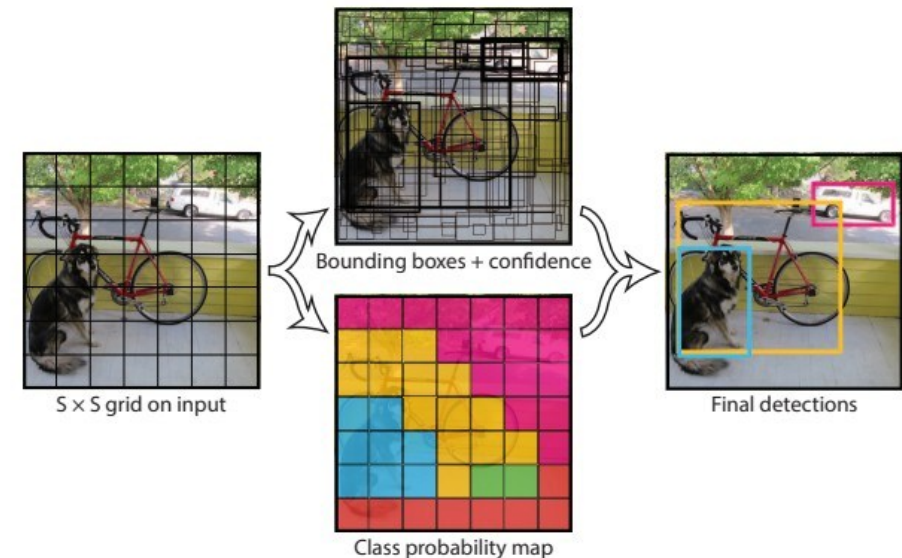
- (x, y) : center of the box relative to the grid cell.
- w and h are relative to the overall image size.
- Confidence prediction is the IOU between the predicted box and ground truth

❑ Each grid cell also predicts C conditional class probabilities

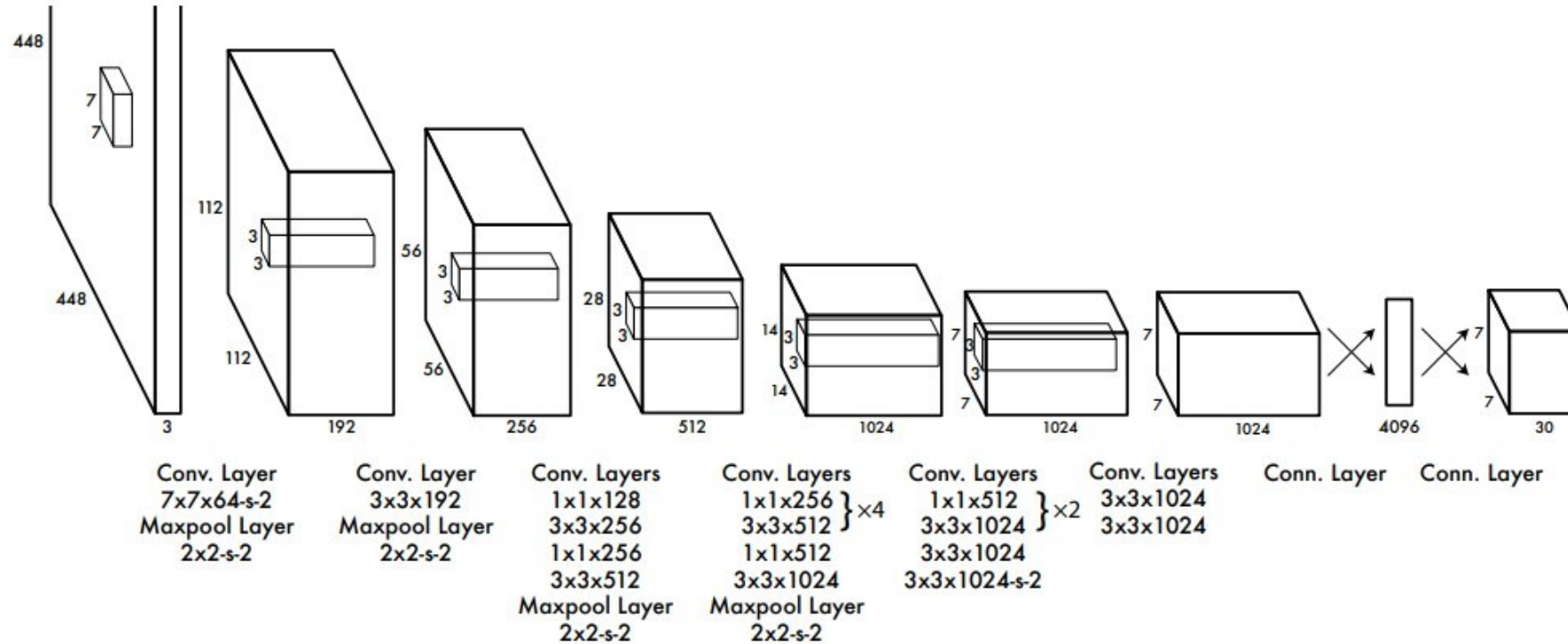
The probabilities are conditioned on the grid cell containing an object

- These are the probabilities of a class given an object is present $\text{Pr}(\text{Class}_i | \text{Object})$.
- Class prediction occurs only if the grid cell contains an object.
- Each class-specific confidence score combines:
 1. Probability of the class appearing in the box.
 2. How well the box aligns with the object it is supposed to detect.

$$\text{Pr}(\text{Class}_i | \text{Object}) * \text{Pr}(\text{object}) * \text{IOU}_{\text{pred}}^{\text{truth}} = \text{Pr}(\text{Class}_i * \text{IOU}_{\text{pred}}^{\text{truth}})$$



YOLO Network Design



- The architecture uses 24 conv layers to extract image features, followed by 2 fully connected layers that predict class probabilities and bounding box coordinates.
- Fast YOLO reduces complexity by using 9 conv layers and a smaller number of filters.

Training & Testing YOLO (1/5)

loss function:

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{\text{coord}} \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \sum_{j=0}^B \mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{obj}} & \left[(x_i - \hat{x}_i)^2 + (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \right] \\ + \lambda_{\text{coord}} \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \sum_{j=0}^B \mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{obj}} & \left[\left(\sqrt{w_i} - \sqrt{\hat{w}_i} \right)^2 + \left(\sqrt{h_i} - \sqrt{\hat{h}_i} \right)^2 \right] \\ + \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \sum_{j=0}^B \mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{obj}} & (C_i - \hat{C}_i)^2 \\ + \lambda_{\text{noobj}} \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \sum_{j=0}^B \mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{noobj}} & (C_i - \hat{C}_i)^2 \\ + \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \mathbb{1}_i^{\text{obj}} \sum_{c \in \text{classes}} & (p_i(c) - \hat{p}_i(c))^2 \quad (3) \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathbb{1}_i^{\text{obj}}$ denotes if object appears in cell i and $\mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{obj}}$ denotes that the j th bounding box predictor in cell i is “responsible” for that prediction.

λ_{coord} = grid cell contains an object

λ_{noobj} = grid cell contains no object



Optimized during training:

- Model was trained for 135 epochs .
- Learning rate rises from 10^{-3} to 10^{-2} .

- ❑ The Model is trained on the Pascal Visual Object Classes (VOC) data
 - ❑ Darknet framework is used for all training and inference

Training & Testing YOLO (2/5)

```
int convolutional_out_height(convolutional_layer l)
{
    return (l.h + 2*l.pad - l.size) / l.stride + 1;
}

int convolutional_out_width(convolutional_layer l)
{
    return (l.w + 2*l.pad - l.size) / l.stride + 1;
}

image get_convolutional_image(convolutional_layer l)
{
    return float_to_image(l.out_w, l.out_h, l.out_c, l.output);
}

image get_convolutional_delta(convolutional_layer l)
{
    return float_to_image(l.out_w, l.out_h, l.out_c, l.delta);
}
```



- **Darknet C implementation of how to compute the height and width of an output feature map after applying the convolutional layer in terms of **Filter size**, **Stride** and **Padding****
- **returns an image representation of the output feature map from the convolutional layer.**
- **Returns the gradient (delta) of the convolutional layer as an image.**

Training & Testing YOLO (3/5)

```
void forward_maxpool_layer(const maxpool_layer l, network net)
{
    int b,i,j,k,m,n;
    int w_offset = -l.pad/2;
    int h_offset = -l.pad/2;

    int h = l.out_h;
    int w = l.out_w;
    int c = l.c;

    for(b = 0; b < l.batch; ++b){
        for(k = 0; k < c; ++k){
            for(i = 0; i < h; ++i){
                for(j = 0; j < w; ++j){
                    int out_index = j + w*(i + h*(k + c*b));
                    float max = -FLT_MAX;
                    int max_i = -1;
                    for(n = 0; n < l.size; ++n){
                        for(m = 0; m < l.size; ++m){
                            int cur_h = h_offset + i*l.stride + n;
                            int cur_w = w_offset + j*l.stride + m;
                            int index = cur_w + l.w*(cur_h + l.h*(k + b*l.c));
                            int valid = (cur_h >= 0 && cur_h < l.h &&
                                         cur_w >= 0 && cur_w < l.w);
                            float val = (valid != 0) ? net.input[index] : -FLT_MAX;
                            max_i = (val > max) ? index : max_i;
                            max = (val > max) ? val : max;
                        }
                    }
                    l.output[out_index] = max;
                    l.indexes[out_index] = max_i;
                }
            }
        }
    }
}

void backward_maxpool_layer(const maxpool_layer l, network net)
{
    int i;
    int h = l.out_h;
    int w = l.out_w;
    int c = l.c;
    for(i = 0; i < h*w*c*l.batch; ++i){
        int index = l.indexes[i];
        net.delta[index] += l.delta[i];
    }
}
```



- Darknet C implementation of forward and backward passes of a **Max Pooling Layer**

Training & Testing YOLO (4/5)

```
layer make_connected_layer(int batch, int inputs, int outputs, ACTIVATION activation, int batch_normalize, int adam)
{
    int i;
    layer l = {0};
    l.learning_rate_scale = 1;
    l.type = CONNECTED;

    l.inputs = inputs;
    l.outputs = outputs;
    l.batch=batch;
    l.batch_normalize = batch_normalize;
    l.h = 1;
    l.w = 1;
    l.c = inputs;
    l.out_h = 1;
    l.out_w = 1;
    l.out_c = outputs;

    l.output = calloc(batch*outputs, sizeof(float));
    l.delta = calloc(batch*outputs, sizeof(float));

    l.weight_updates = calloc(inputs*outputs, sizeof(float));
    l.bias_updates = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));

    l.weights = calloc(outputs*inputs, sizeof(float));
    l.biases = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));

    l.forward = forward_connected_layer;
    l.backward = backward_connected_layer;
    l.update = update_connected_layer;

    //float scale = 1./sqrt(inputs);
    float scale = sqrt(2./inputs);
    for(i = 0; i < outputs*inputs; ++i){
        l.weights[i] = scale*rand_uniform(-1, 1);
    }

    for(i = 0; i < outputs; ++i){
        l.biases[i] = 0;
    }

    if(adam){
        l.m = calloc(l.inputs*l.outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.v = calloc(l.inputs*l.outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.bias_m = calloc(l.outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.scale_m = calloc(l.outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.bias_v = calloc(l.outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.scale_v = calloc(l.outputs, sizeof(float));
    }
    if(batch_normalize){
        l.scales = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.scale_updates = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));
        for(i = 0; i < outputs; ++i){
            l.scales[i] = 1;
        }

        l.mean = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.mean_delta = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.variance = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.variance_delta = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));

        l.rolling_mean = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.rolling_variance = calloc(outputs, sizeof(float));

        l.x = calloc(batch*outputs, sizeof(float));
        l.x_norm = calloc(batch*outputs, sizeof(float));
    }
}
```

```
void forward_connected_layer(layer l, network net)
{
    fill_cpu(l.outputs*l.batch, 0, l.output, 1);
    int m = l.batch;
    int k = l.inputs;
    int n = l.outputs;
    float *a = net.input;
    float *b = l.weights;
    float *c = l.output;
    gemm(0.1,m,n,k,1,a,k,b,k,1,c,n);
    if(l.batch_normalize){
        forward_batchnorm_layer(l, net);
    } else {
        add_bias(l.output, l.biases, l.batch, l.outputs, 1);
    }
    activate_array(l.output, l.outputs*l.batch, l.activation);
}

void backward_connected_layer(layer l, network net)
{
    gradient_array(l.output, l.outputs*l.batch, l.activation, l.delta);

    if(l.batch_normalize){
        backward_batchnorm_layer(l, net);
    } else {
        backward_bias(l.bias_updates, l.delta, l.batch, l.outputs, 1);
    }

    int m = l.outputs;
    int k = l.batch;
    int n = l.inputs;
    float *a = l.delta;
    float *b = net.input;
    float *c = l.weight_updates;
    gemm(1.0,m,n,k,1,a,m,b,n,1,c,n);

    m = l.batch;
    k = l.outputs;
    n = l.inputs;

    a = l.delta;
    b = l.weights;
    c = net.delta;

    if(c) gemm(0.0,m,n,k,1,a,k,b,n,1,c,n);
}
```

```
void forward_connected_layer_gpu(layer l, network net)
{
    fill_gpu(l.outputs*l.batch, 0, l.output_gpu, 1);

    int m = l.batch;
    int k = l.inputs;
    int n = l.outputs;
    float *a = net.input_gpu;
    float *b = l.weights_gpu;
    float *c = l.output_gpu;
    gemm_gpu(0.1,m,n,k,1,a,k,b,k,1,c,n);

    if (l.batch_normalize) {
        forward_batchnorm_layer_gpu(l, net);
    } else {
        add_bias_gpu(l.output_gpu, l.biases_gpu, l.batch, l.outputs, 1);
    }
    activate_array_gpu(l.output_gpu, l.outputs*l.batch, l.activation);
}

void backward_connected_layer_gpu(layer l, network net)
{
    constrain_gpu(l.outputs*l.batch, 1, l.delta_gpu, 1);
    gradient_array_gpu(l.output_gpu, l.outputs*l.batch, l.activation, l.delta_gpu);
    if(l.batch_normalize){
        backward_batchnorm_layer_gpu(l, net);
    } else {
        backward_bias_gpu(l.bias_updates_gpu, l.delta_gpu, l.batch, l.outputs, 1);
    }

    int m = l.outputs;
    int k = l.batch;
    int n = l.inputs;
    float *a = l.delta_gpu;
    float *b = net.input_gpu;
    float *c = l.weight_updates_gpu;
    gemm_gpu(1.0,m,n,k,1,a,m,b,n,1,c,n);

    m = l.batch;
    k = l.outputs;
    n = l.inputs;

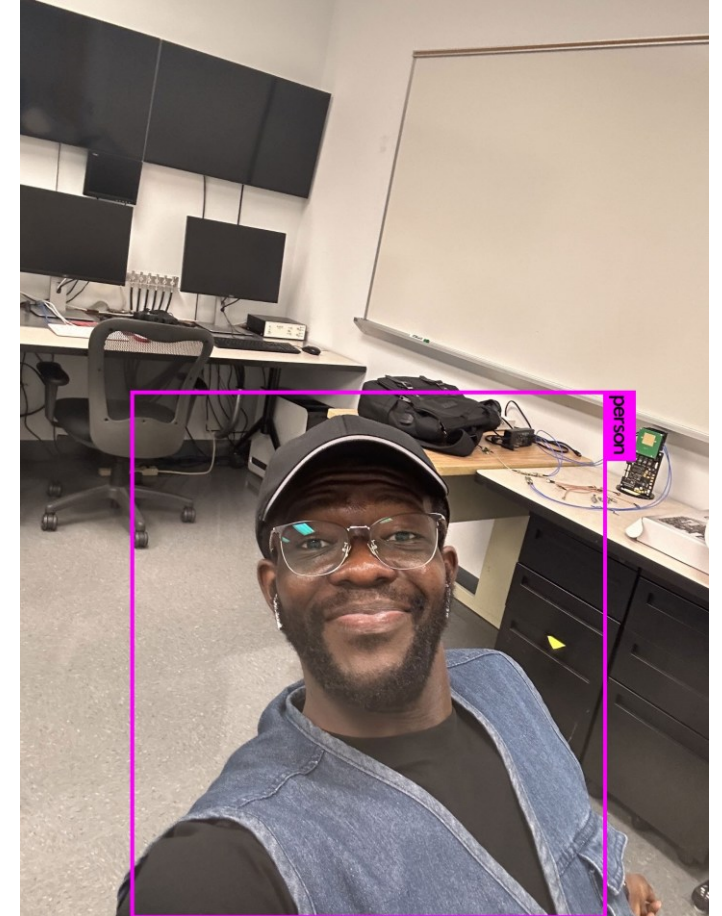
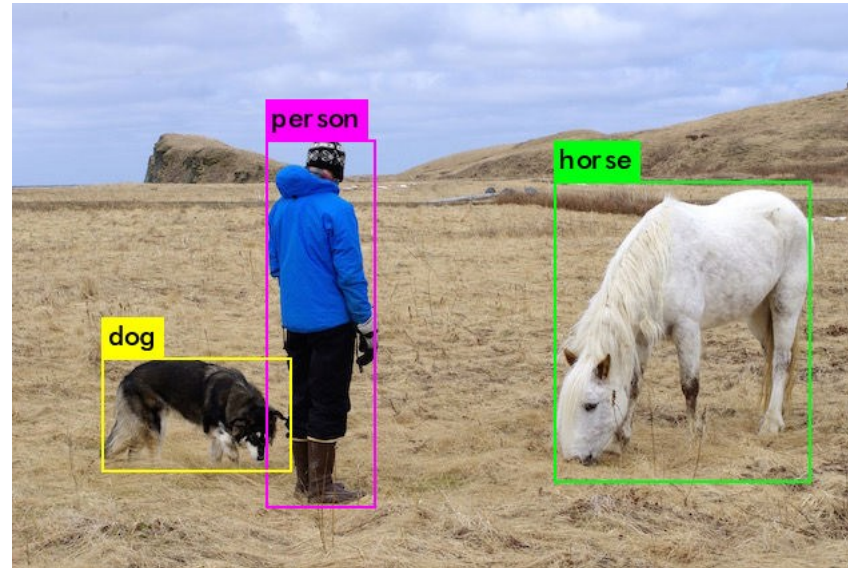
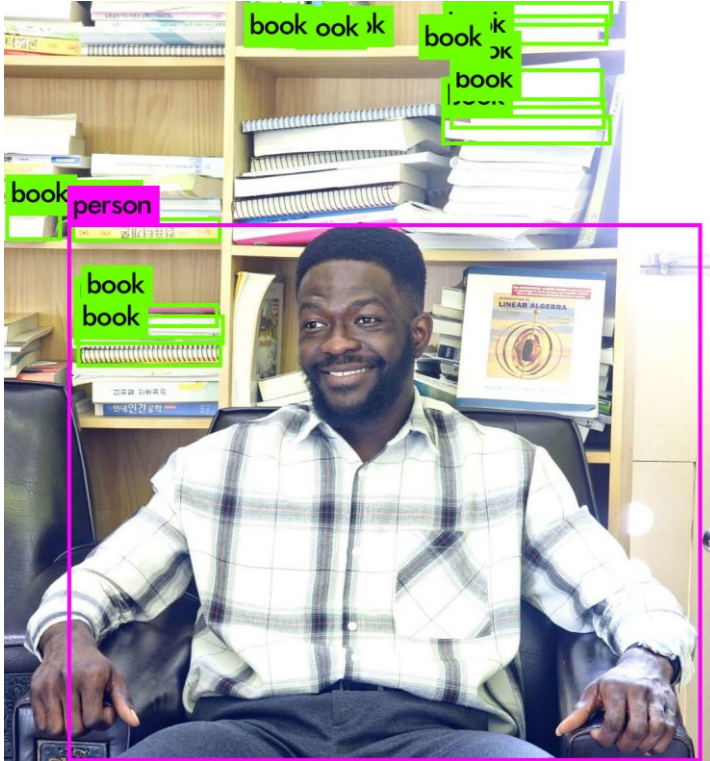
    a = l.delta_gpu;
    b = l.weights_gpu;
    c = net.delta_gpu;

    if(c) gemm_gpu(0.0,m,n,k,1,a,k,b,n,1,c,n);
}
#endif
```

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55 res	52			38 x	38 x	512	->	38 x	38 x	512	
56 conv	256	1 x 1 / 1		38 x	38 x	512	->	38 x	38 x	256	0.379 BFLOPs
57 conv	512	3 x 3 / 1		38 x	38 x	256	->	38 x	38 x	512	3.487 BFLOPs
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66 conv	512	1 x 1 / 1		19 x	19 x	1024	->	19 x	19 x	512	0.379 BFLOPs
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79 conv	512	1 x 1 / 1		19 x	19 x	1024	->	19 x	19 x	512	0.379 BFLOPs
80 conv	1024	3 x 3 / 1		19 x	19 x	512	->	19 x	19 x	1024	3.487 BFLOPs
81 conv	255	1 x 1 / 1		19 x	19 x	1024	->	19 x	19 x	255	0.189 BFLOPs
82 yolo											
83 route	79										
84 conv	256	1 x 1 / 1		19 x	19 x	512	->	19 x	19 x	256	0.095 BFLOPs
85 upsample		2x		19 x	19 x	256	->	38 x	38 x	256	
86 route	85 61										
87 conv	256	1 x 1 / 1		38 x	38 x	768	->	38 x	38 x	256	0.568 BFLOPs
88 conv	512	3 x 3 / 1		38 x	38 x	256	->	38 x	38 x	512	3.487 BFLOPs
89 conv	256	1 x 1 / 1		38 x	38 x	512	->	38 x	38 x	256	0.379 BFLOPs
90 conv	512	3 x 3 / 1		38 x	38 x	256	->	38 x	38 x	512	3.487 BFLOPs
91 conv	256	1 x 1 / 1		38 x	38 x	512	->	38 x	38 x	256	0.379 BFLOPs
92 conv	512	3 x 3 / 1		38 x	38 x	256	->	38 x	38 x	512	3.487 BFLOPs
93 conv	255	1 x 1 / 1		38 x	38 x	512	->	38 x	38 x	255	0.377 BFLOPs
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95 route	91										
96 conv	128	1 x 1 / 1		38 x	38 x	256	->	38 x	38 x	128	0.095 BFLOPs
97 upsample		2x		38 x	38 x	128	->	76 x</			

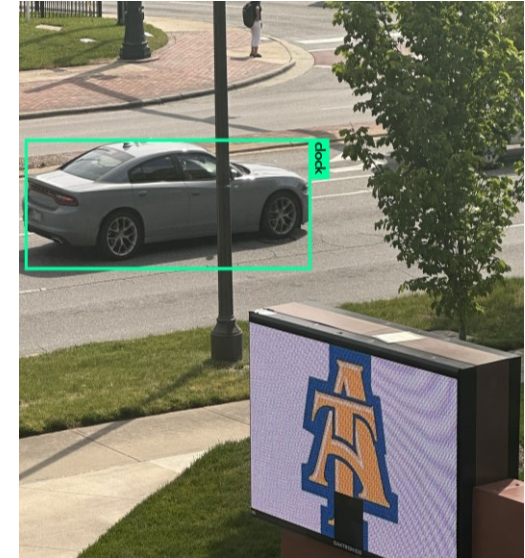
YOLO Result



- Testing pretrained YOLO model on the image

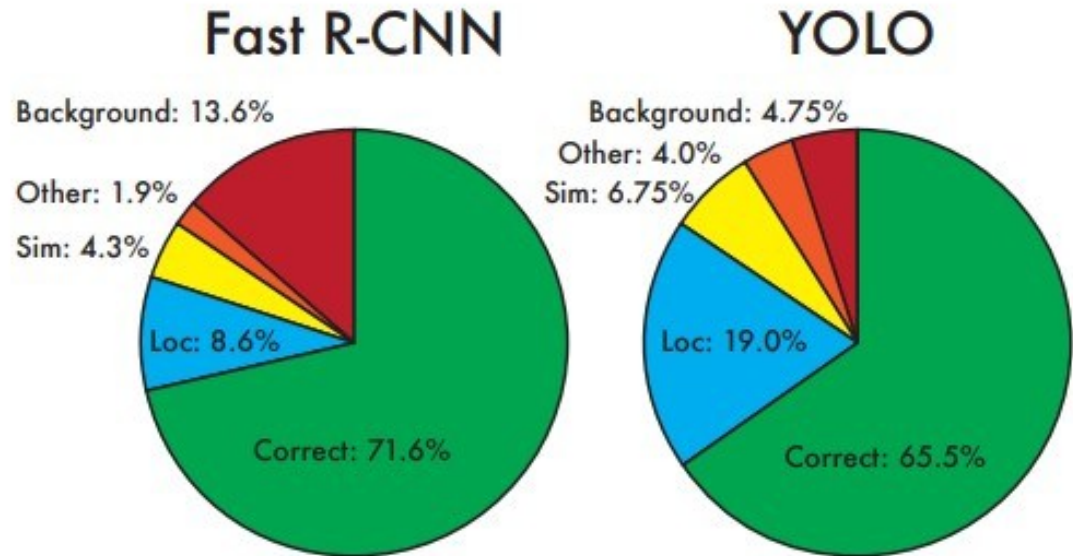
YOLO Limitations

- ❑ Because YOLO learns to estimate bounding boxes directly from the data, it has difficulty adapting to objects with unfamiliar or unusual shapes.
- ❑ The loss function does not distinguish between errors in small and large bounding boxes:
 - A minor error in a large bounding box is often negligible, but a similar error in a small box significantly impacts the IOU score.
 - Most of the errors come from inaccurate object localization.
- ❑ Struggles with precision – While it quickly detects objects, it sometimes fails to accurately pinpoint their locations.
- ❑ YOLO places strict spatial constraints, which reduces its ability to detect multiple closely located objects.

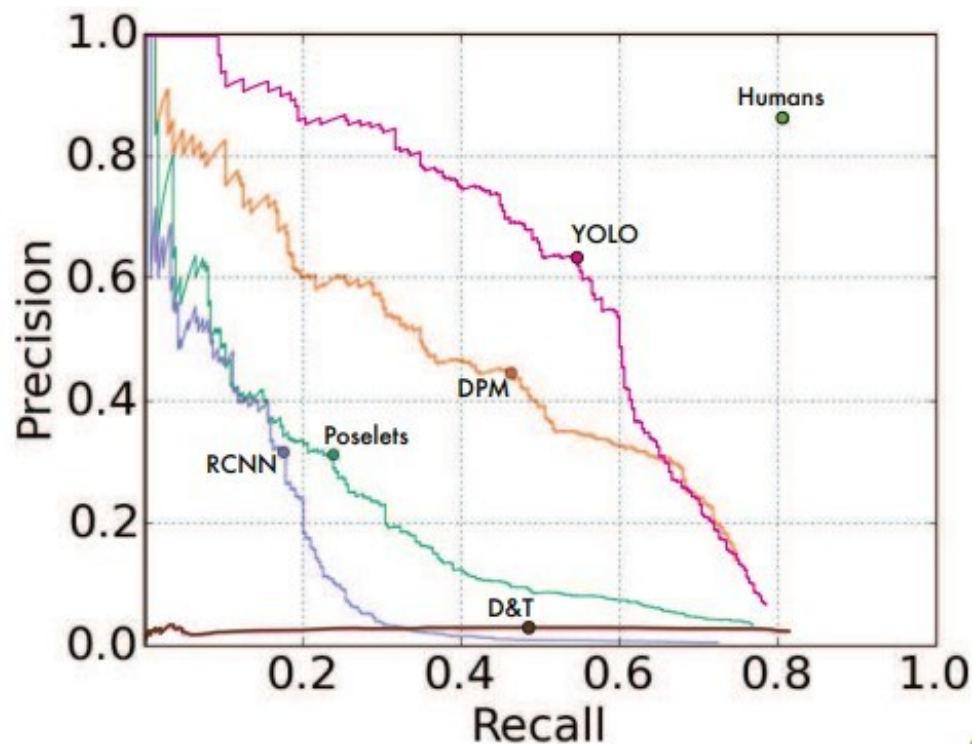


YOLO vs Other Object Detection Systems (1/2)

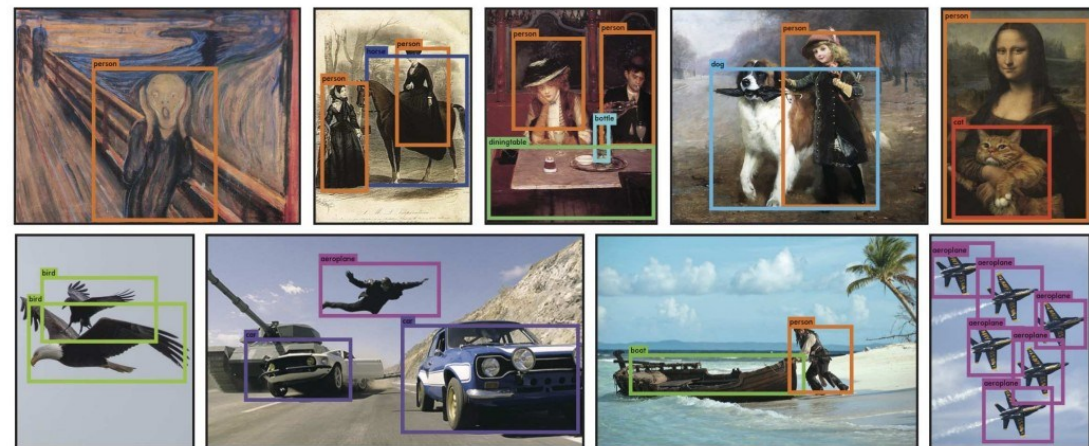
Real-Time Detectors	Train	mAP	FPS
100Hz DPM [30]	2007	16.0	100
30Hz DPM [30]	2007	26.1	30
Fast YOLO	2007+2012	52.7	155
YOLO	2007+2012	63.4	45
Less Than Real-Time			
Fastest DPM [37]	2007	30.4	15
R-CNN Minus R [20]	2007	53.5	6
Fast R-CNN [14]	2007+2012	70.0	0.5
Faster R-CNN VGG-16[27]	2007+2012	73.2	7
Faster R-CNN ZF [27]	2007+2012	62.1	18
YOLO VGG-16	2007+2012	66.4	21



YOLO vs Other Object Detection Systems (2/2)



	VOC 2007 AP	Picasso AP Best F_1	People-Art AP
YOLO	59.2	53.3 0.590	45
R-CNN	54.2	10.4 0.226	26
DPM	43.2	37.8 0.458	32
Poselets [2]	36.5	17.8 0.271	
D&T [4]	-	1.9 0.051	



Conclusion

- ❑ YOLO introduces a unified framework for object detection:
 - It's easy to build and can be trained on entire images.
 - Unlike traditional methods that treat detection as a classification problem, YOLO uses a loss function tailored for detection accuracy and trains the model end-to-end.
- ❑ YOLO adapts effectively to new environments, making it well-suited for real-time object detection tasks that require speed and reliability.
- ❑ Fast YOLO is recognized as the quickest general-purpose object detection model available and is capable of real-time detection.



Any Questions?

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