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Mask R-CNN is a deep neural network that aims to carry out Instance Segmentation. It can separate different objects in an image or video.

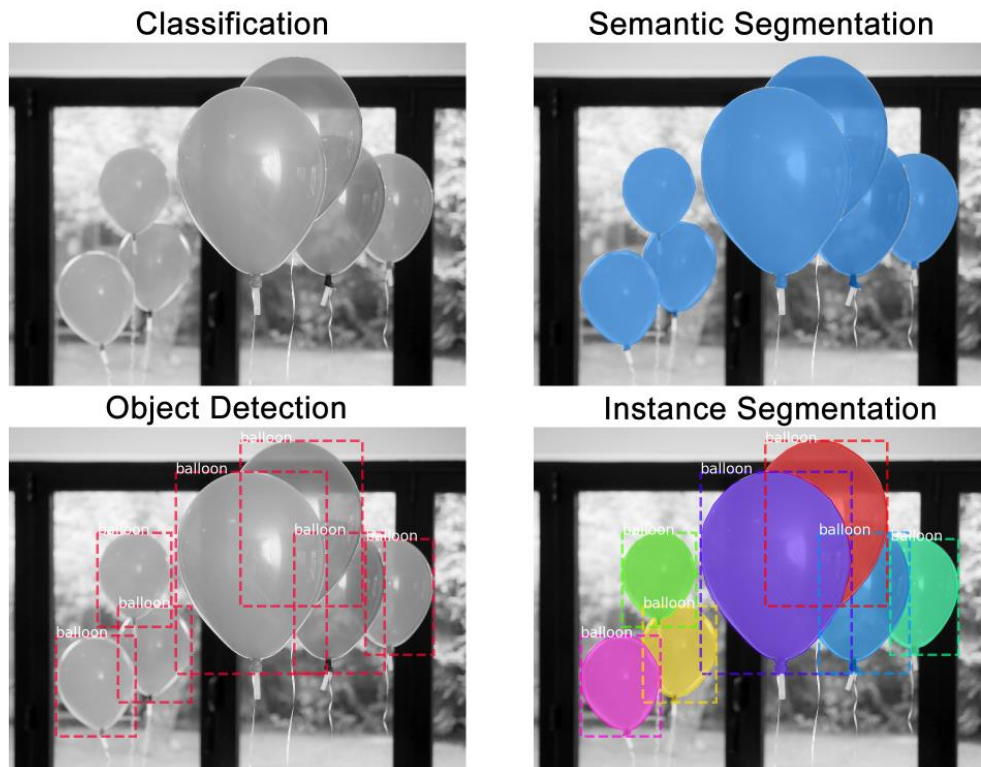


Fig. [1] - Instance Segmentation

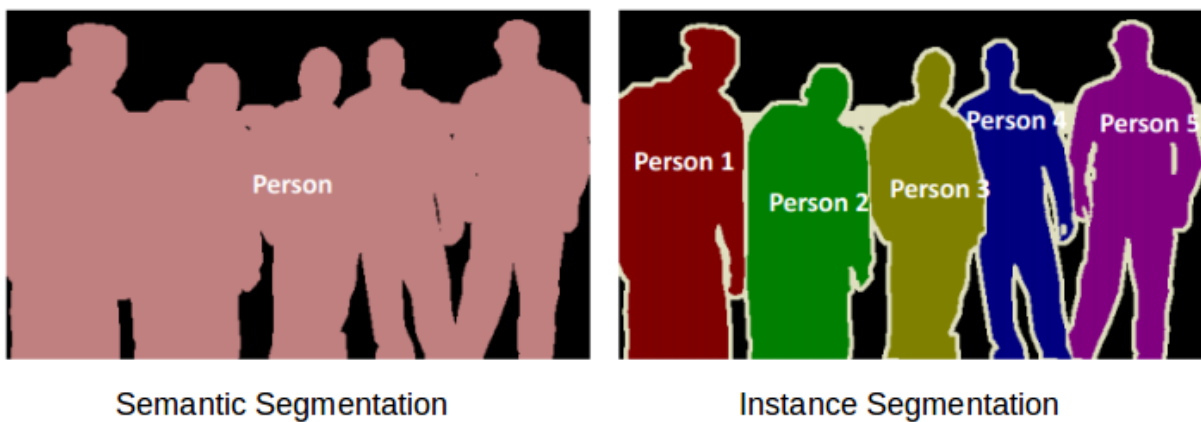


Fig. [2] - Instance Segmentation

It comprises of; Backbone Network, Region Proposal Network, Mask Representation, RoI Align.

This, Backbone Network, multi-layer feature pyramid network generates RoI of different scale which improves the accuracy of previous ResNet architecture.

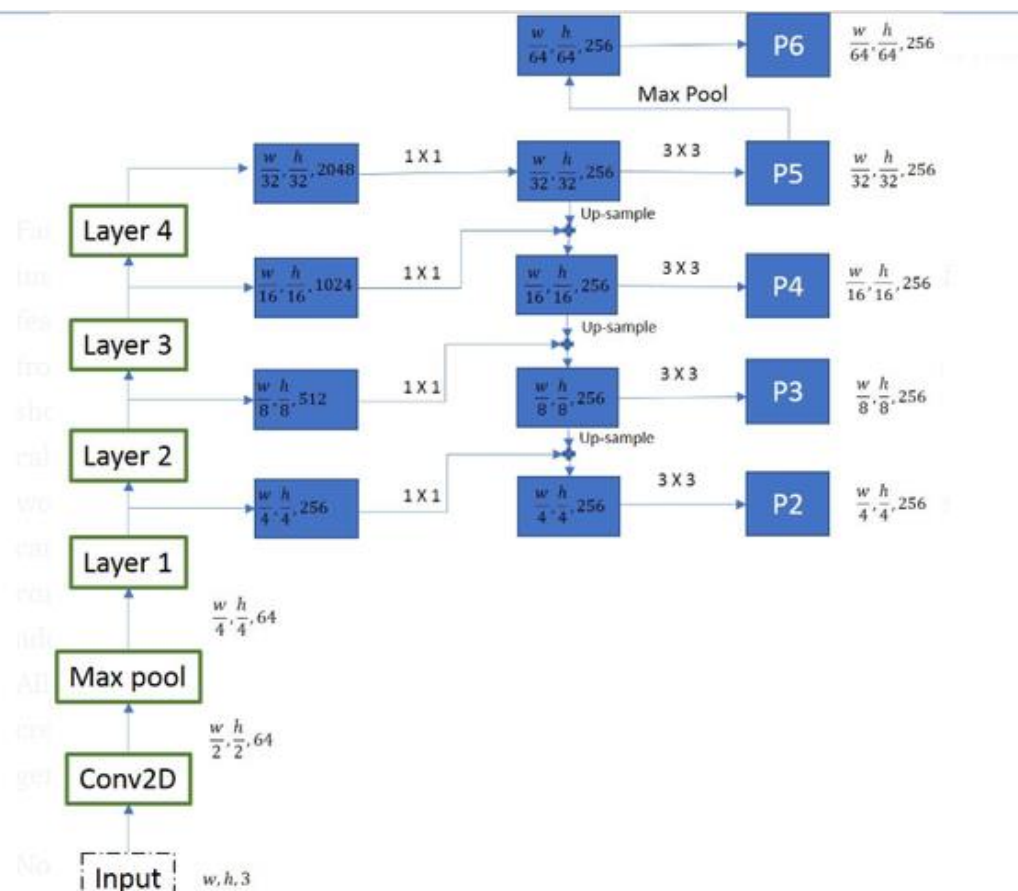


Fig. 3 - Mask R-CNN Backbone Architecture [4]

Region Proposal Network, all the convolution feature map that is generated by the previous layer is passed through a 3*3 convolution layer. The output of this is then passed into two parallel branches that determine the objectness score and regress the bounding box coordinates.

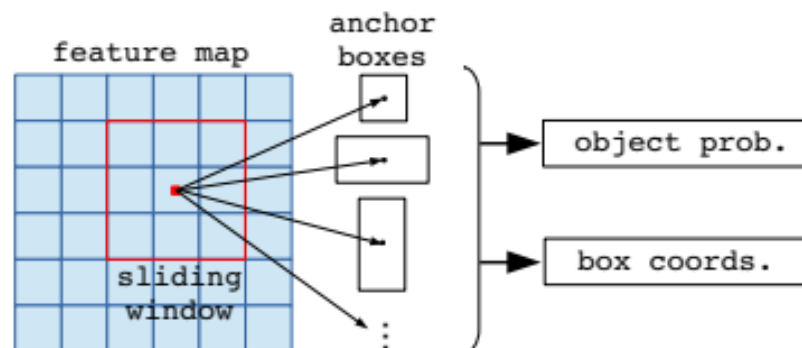


Fig 4. - Region Proposal Network - Anchor Generation Mask R-CNN [4]

Mask Representation, is a small Fully Convolutional Network (FCN) applied to each Region of Interest (RoI). The FCN outputs a fixed-size mask for each RoI and each class. The mask is used to predict the pixel-level segmentation of the object instances in the test images.

RoI Align, is a technique that improves the accuracy of object detection and instance segmentation fmodels in RoI Pooling.

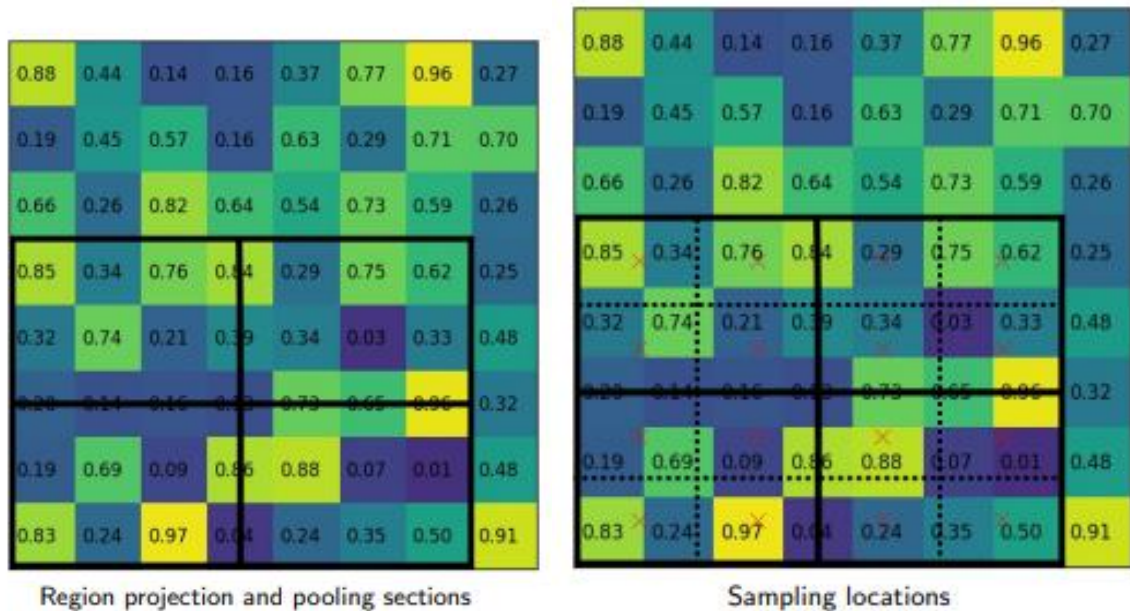


Fig. 5 - ROI Align [4]

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