Faster R-CNN: Towards Real-Time Object detection

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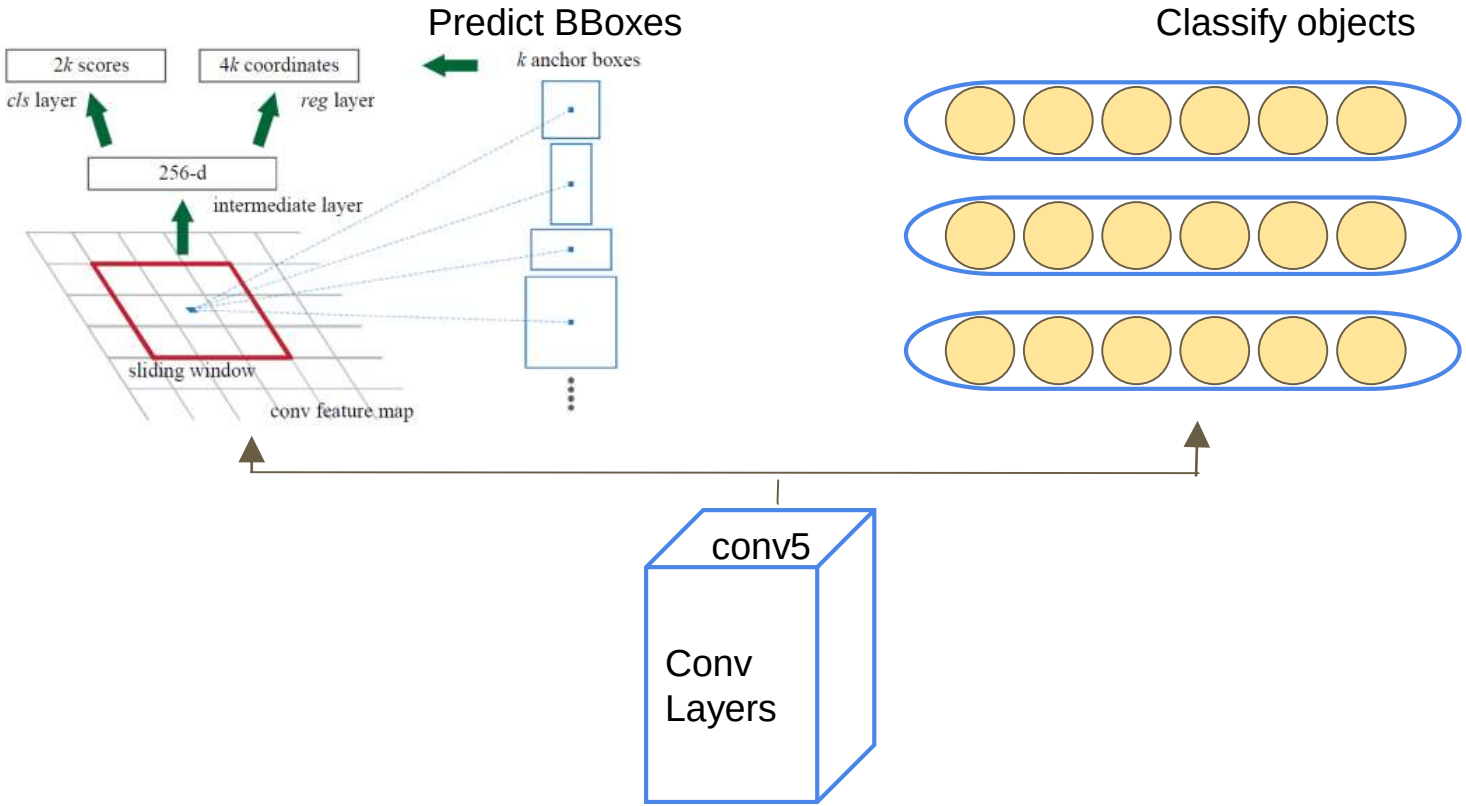
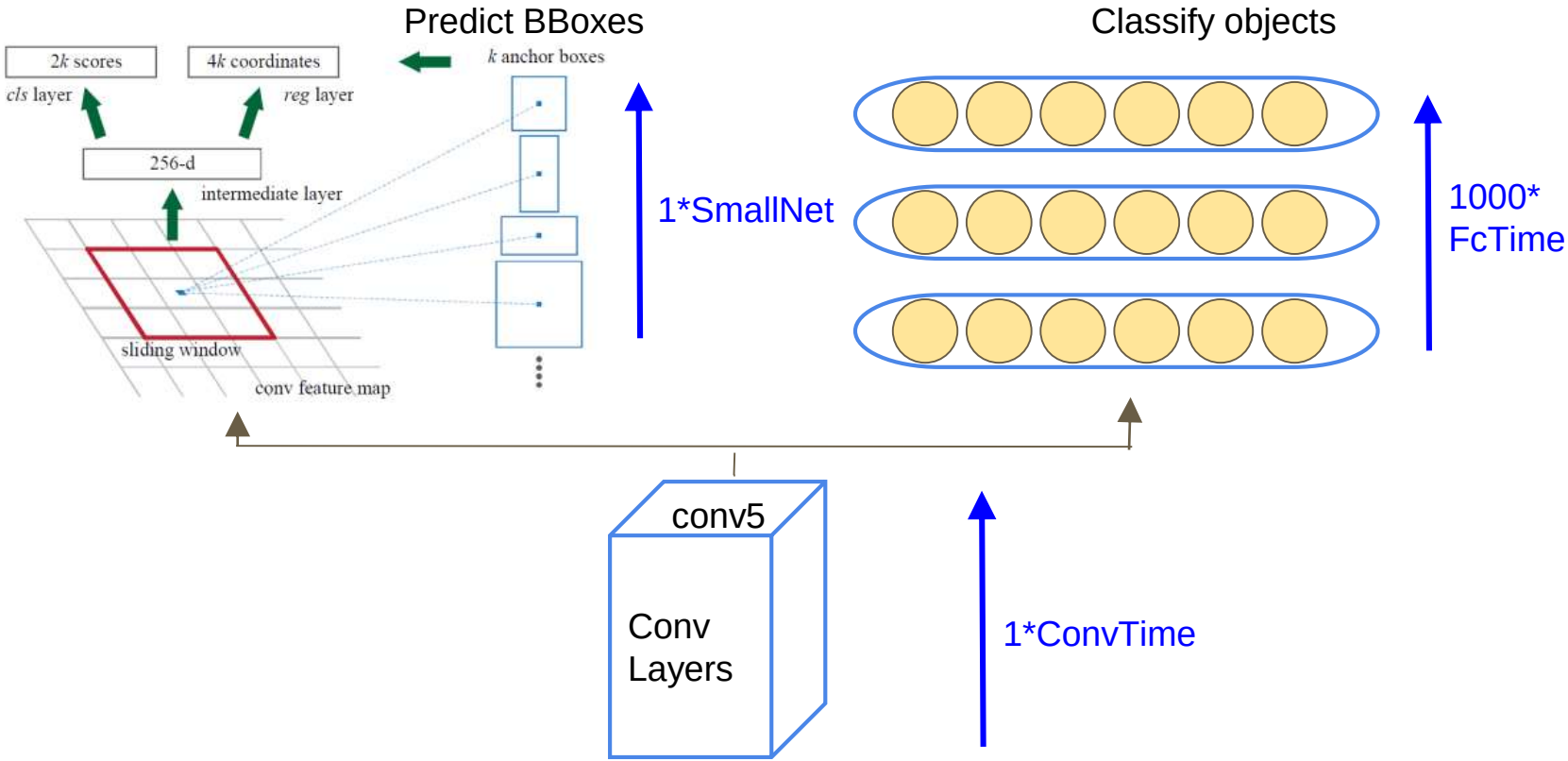
Key Idea: Region Proposal Net (RPN) layer



Testing Time: faster R-CNN



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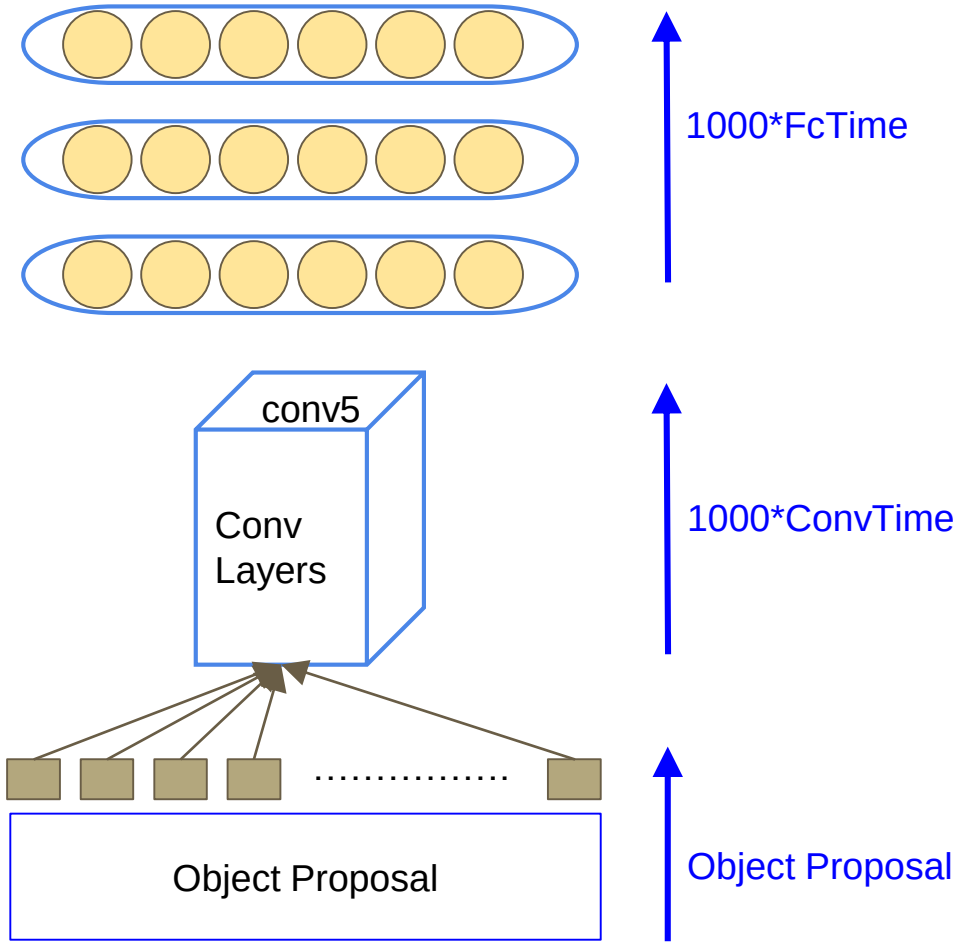

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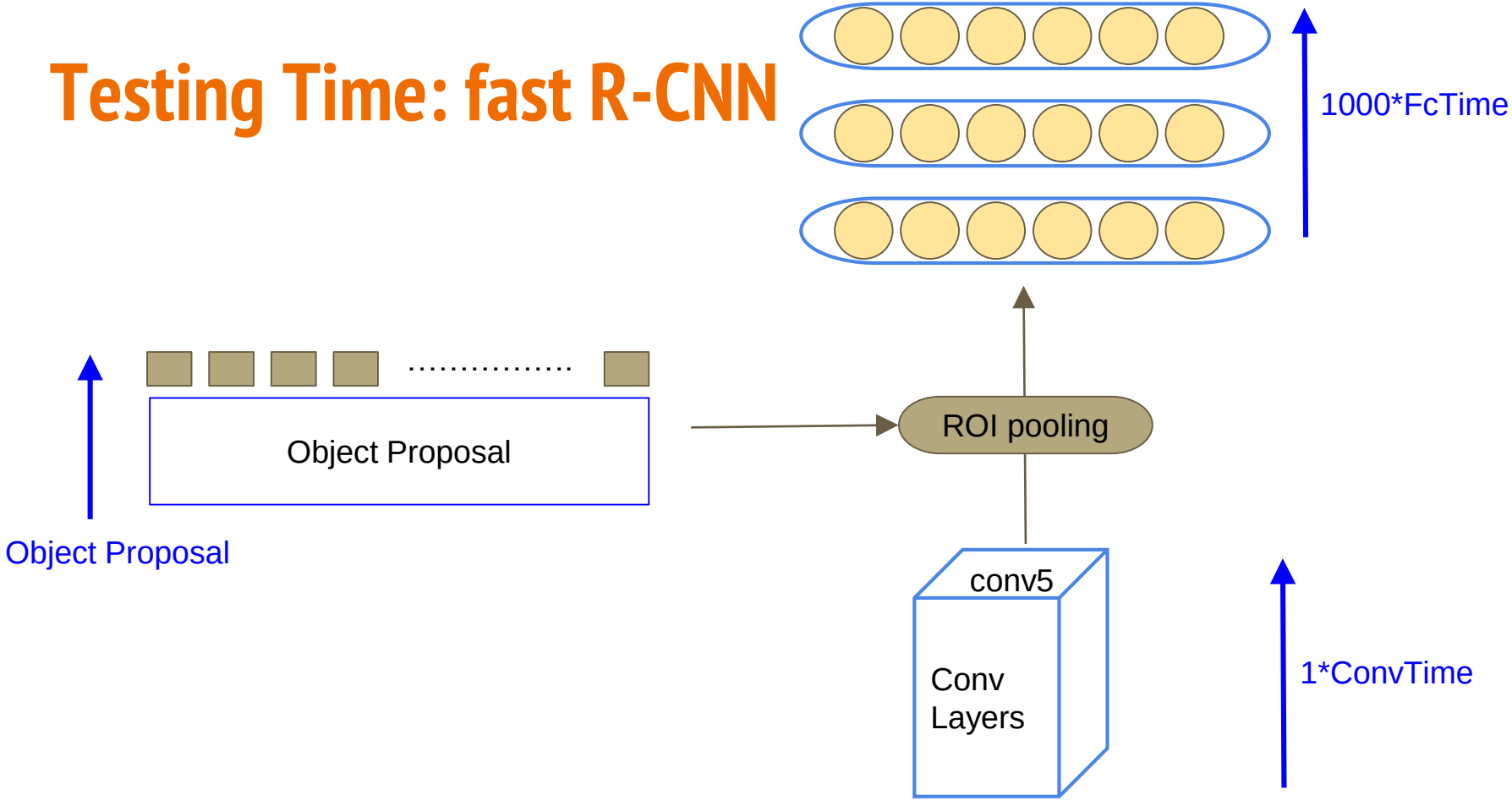


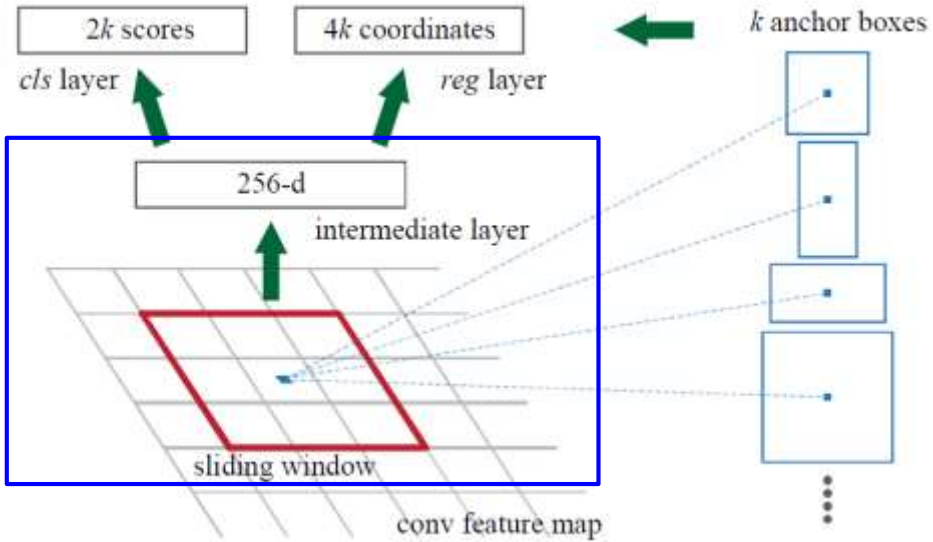
Fast, Accurate Object Detection

- fastest region proposal method: Edge Boxes [4fps, 1000 proposal]
- Testing stage

Model	Time
Edge boxes + R-CNN	0.25 sec + 1000*ConvTime + 1000*FcTime
Edge boxes + fast R-CNN	0.25 sec + 1*ConvTime + 1000*FcTime
faster R-CNN	1*ConvTime + 1000*FcTime

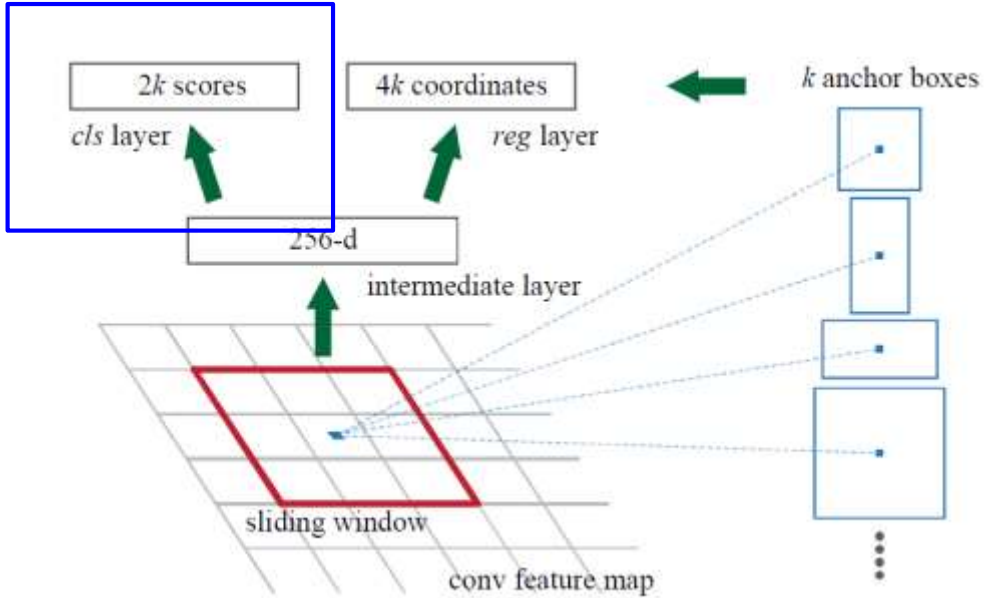
RPN layer

```
layer {
  name: "rpn_conv/3x3"
  type: "Convolution"
  bottom: "conv5_3"
  top: "rpn/output"
  param { lr_mult: 1.0 }
  param { lr_mult: 2.0 }
  convolution_param {
    num_output: 512
    kernel_size: 3 pad: 1 stride: 1
    weight_filler { type: "gaussian" std: 0.01 }
    bias_filler { type: "constant" value: 0 }
  }
}
layer {
  name: "rpn_relu/3x3"
  type: "ReLU"
  bottom: "rpn/output"
  top: "rpn/output"
}
```



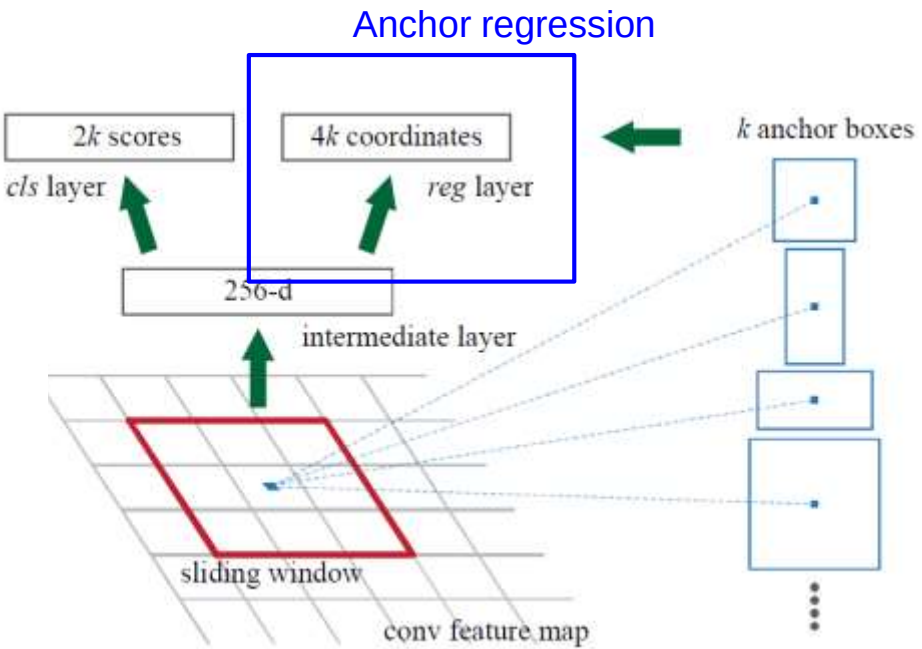
RPN layer

```
389  layer {
390    name: "rpn_cls_score"
391    type: "Convolution"
392    bottom: "rpn/output"
393    top: "rpn_cls_score"
394    param { lr_mult: 1.0 }
395    param { lr_mult: 2.0 }
396    convolution_param {
397      num_output: 18   # 2(bg/fg) * 9(anchors)
398      kernel_size: 1 pad: 0 stride: 1
399      weight_filler { type: "gaussian" std: 0.01 }
400      bias_filler { type: "constant" value: 0 }
401    }
402  }
```



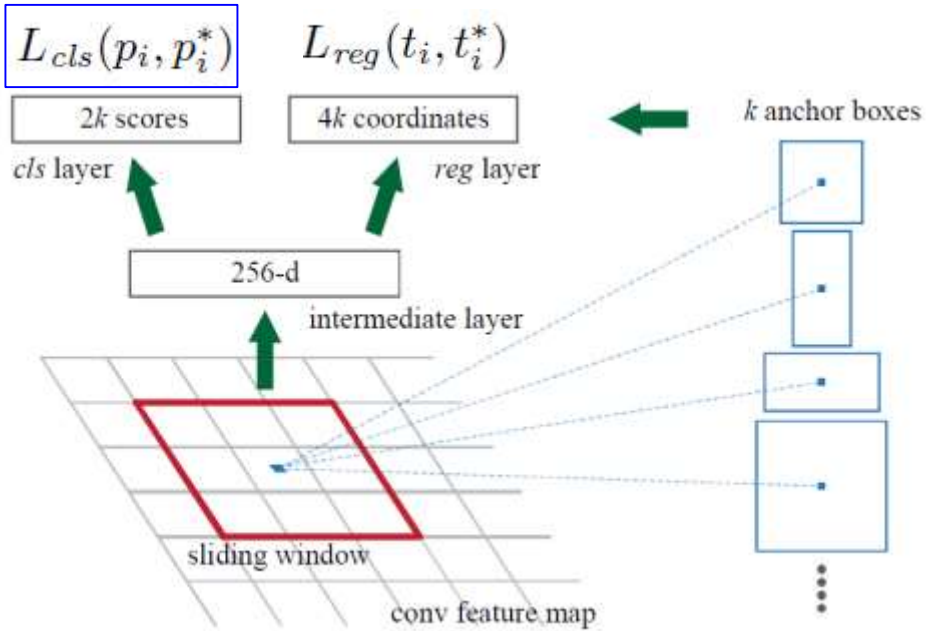
RPN layer

```
404  layer {
405    name: "rpn_bbox_pred"
406    type: "Convolution"
407    bottom: "rpn/output"
408    top: "rpn_bbox_pred"
409    param { lr_mult: 1.0 }
410    param { lr_mult: 2.0 }
411    convolution_param {
412      num_output: 36   # 4 * 9(anchors)
413      kernel_size: 1 pad: 0 stride: 1
414      weight_filler { type: "gaussian" std: 0.01 }
415      bias_filler { type: "constant" value: 0 }
416    }
417  }
```



RPN: Loss Function

- 2 class Softmax cross entropy loss
- Discriminative training:
  - pi* = 1 if IoU > 0.7
  - pi* = 0 if IoU < 0.3
  - otherwise, do not contribute to loss



$$L(\{p_i\},\{t_i\}) = \frac{1}{N_{cls}}\sum_i L_{cls}(p_i, p_i^*) + \lambda\frac{1}{N_{reg}}\sum_i p_i^* L_{reg}(t_i, t_i^*).$$

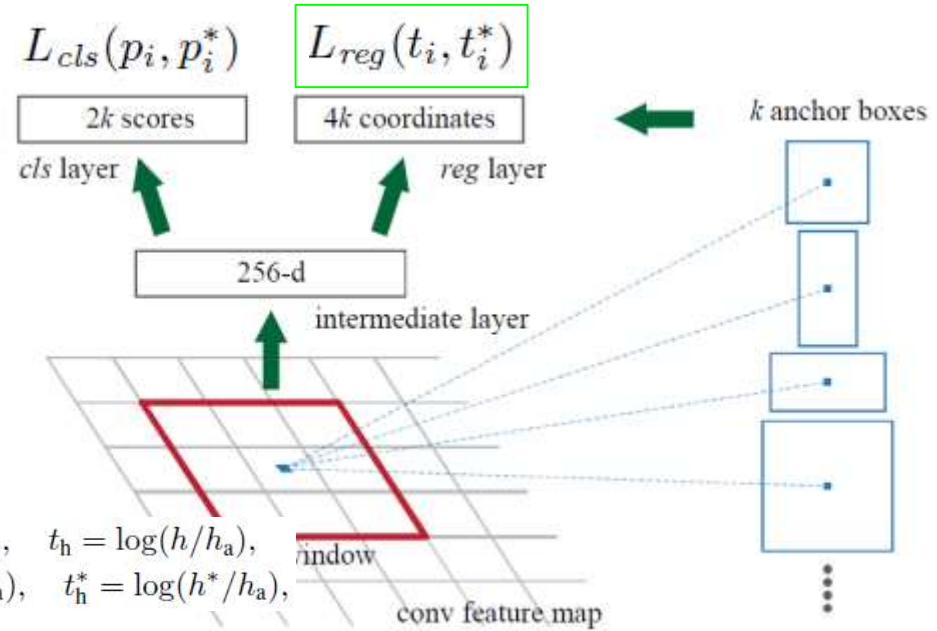
RPN: Loss Function

$$L_{\text{loc}}(t, t^*) = \sum_{i \in \{\text{x,y,w,h}\}} \text{smooth}_{L_1}(t_i, t_i^*), \qquad (2)$$

in which

$$\text{smooth}_{L_1}(x) = \begin{cases} 0.5x^2 & \text{if } |x| < 1 \\ |x| - 0.5 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \qquad (3)$$

$$t_{\text{x}} = (x - x_{\text{a}})/w_{\text{a}}, \quad t_{\text{y}} = (y - y_{\text{a}})/h_{\text{a}}, \quad t_{\text{w}} = \log(w/w_{\text{a}}), \quad t_{\text{h}} = \log(h/h_{\text{a}}),$$
$$t_{\text{x}}^* = (x^* - x_{\text{a}})/w_{\text{a}}, \quad t_{\text{y}}^* = (y^* - y_{\text{a}})/h_{\text{a}}, \quad t_{\text{w}}^* = \log(w^*/w_{\text{a}}), \quad t_{\text{h}}^* = \log(h^*/h_{\text{a}}),$$



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only positive sample contribute to reg. Loss

How to train faster R-CNN ?

- balance sampling (neg. vs pos. = 1:1)
- joint training is almost impossible (conv update alternating)
- 4 step training !

How to train faster R-CNN ?

1. train RPN with ImageNet pre-trained model
2. train fast R-CNN using proposal generated by 1. [no params. sharing]
3. use conv trained by 2. to initialize model, fix shared conv, update RPN
4. fix shared conv, fine-tune fc

Result - MAP

- VOC2007, ZF ConvNet

train-time region proposals		**test-time region proposals**		
method	# boxes	method	# proposals	mAP (%)
SS	2k	SS	2k	58.7
EB	2k	EB	2k	58.6
RPN+ZF, shared	2k	RPN+ZF, shared	300	**59.9**
ablation experiments follow below				
RPN+ZF, unshared	2k	RPN+ZF, unshared	300	58.7

Result - MAP

Using VGG ConvNet, fast R-CNN vs faster R-CNN

method	# proposals	data	mAP (%)	time (ms)
SS	2k	07	66.9†	1830
SS	2k	07+12	70.0	1830
RPN+VGG, unshared	300	07	68.5	342
RPN+VGG, shared	300	07	69.9	**198**
RPN+VGG, shared	300	07+12	**73.2**	**198**

Result - Time

VOC 2007, fast R-CNN vs faster R-CNN

	model	system	conv	proposal	region-wise	total	rate
70.0%	VGG	SS + Fast R-CNN	146	1510	174	1830	0.5 fps
73.2%	VGG	RPN + Fast R-CNN	141	**10**	47	**198**	**5 fps**
59.9%	ZF	RPN + Fast R-CNN	31	**3**	25	**59**	**17 fps**

Official Leader Board Score

Table 6: Results on PASCAL VOC 2007 test set with Fast R-CNN detectors and VGG-16. For RPN, the train-time proposals for Fast R-CNN are 2k. RPN* denotes the unsharing feature version.

method	# box	data	mAP	areo	bike	bird	boat	bottle	bus	car	cat	chair	cow	table	dog	horse	mbike	person	plant	sheep	sofa	train	tv
SS	2k	07	66.9	74.5	78.3	69.2	53.2	36.6	77.3	78.2	82.0	40.7	72.7	67.9	79.6	79.2	73.0	69.0	30.1	65.4	70.2	75.8	65.8
SS	2k	07+12	70.0	**77.0**	78.1	69.3	59.4	38.3	81.6	78.6	**86.7**	42.8	78.8	**68.9**	84.7	82.0	76.6	69.9	31.8	70.1	**74.8**	80.4	70.4
RPN*	300	07	68.5	74.1	77.2	67.7	53.9	51.0	75.1	79.2	78.9	50.7	78.0	61.1	79.1	81.9	72.2	75.9	37.2	71.4	62.5	77.4	66.4
RPN	300	07	69.9	70.0	**80.6**	70.1	57.3	49.9	78.2	80.4	82.0	**52.2**	75.3	67.2	80.3	79.8	75.0	76.3	**39.1**	68.3	67.3	81.1	67.6
RPN	300	07+12	**73.2**	76.5	79.0	**70.9**	**65.5**	**52.1**	**83.1**	**84.7**	86.4	52.0	**81.9**	65.7	**84.8**	**84.6**	**77.5**	**76.7**	38.8	**73.6**	73.9	**83.0**	**72.6**

Table 7: Results on PASCAL VOC 2012 test set with Fast R-CNN detectors and VGG-16. For RPN, the train-time proposals for Fast R-CNN are 2k.

method	# box	data	mAP	areo	bike	bird	boat	bottle	bus	car	cat	chair	cow	table	dog	horse	mbike	person	plant	sheep	sofa	train	tv
SS	2k	12	65.7	80.3	74.7	66.9	46.9	37.7	73.9	68.6	87.7	41.7	71.1	51.1	86.0	77.8	79.8	69.8	32.1	65.5	63.8	76.4	61.7
SS	2k	07++12	68.4	82.3	78.4	70.8	52.3	38.7	**77.8**	71.6	**89.3**	44.2	73.0	55.0	**87.5**	80.5	80.8	72.0	35.1	68.3	**65.7**	80.4	**64.2**
RPN	300	12	67.0	82.3	76.4	71.0	48.4	45.2	72.1	72.3	87.3	42.2	73.7	50.0	86.8	78.7	78.4	77.4	34.5	70.1	57.1	77.1	58.9
RPN	300	07++12	**70.4**	**84.9**	**79.8**	**74.3**	**53.9**	**49.8**	77.5	**75.9**	88.5	**45.6**	**77.1**	**55.3**	86.9	**81.7**	**80.9**	**79.6**	**40.1**	**72.6**	60.9	**81.2**	61.5

Code available at gitHub

Matlab(faster-rcnn) & python(py-faster-rcnn) version

Thank you :)