

# **165B**

# **Machine Learning**

# **Object Detection**

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# Recap

- Gradient descent can be sped up by incremental updates
  - Convergence is guaranteed under most conditions
    - Learning rate must shrink with time for convergence
  - Stochastic gradient descent: update after each observation.  
Can be much faster than batch learning
  - Mini-batch updates: update after batches. Can be more efficient than SGD
- Convergence can be improved using smoothed updates
  - AdaGrad, RMSprop, Adam and more advanced techniques

# Stochastic Gradient Descent

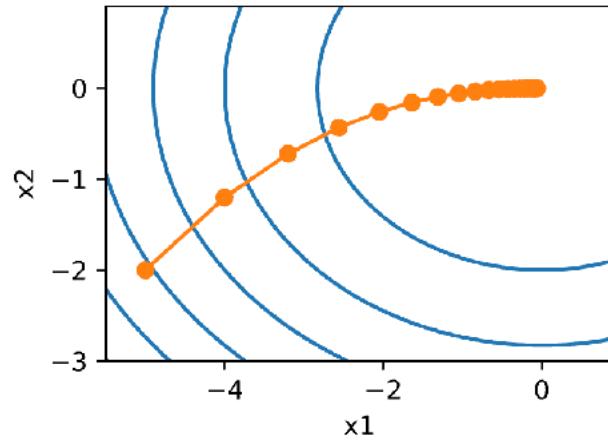
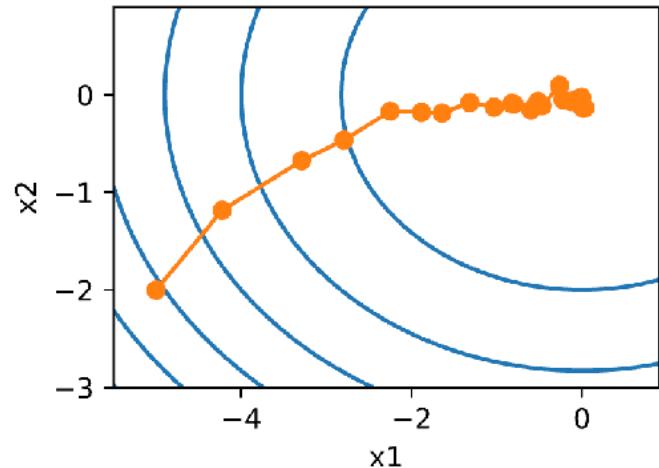
- Instead of compute the full gradient, at each step, randomly select a sample  $t_i$

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{x}_{t-1} - \eta_t \nabla \ell_{t_i}(\mathbf{x}_{t-1})$$

- Compare to gradient descent

$$\mathbf{x}_t = \mathbf{x}_{t-1} - \eta \nabla f(\mathbf{x}_{t-1})$$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n \ell_i(\mathbf{x})$$



# Minibatch Stochastic Gradient Descent

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- Instead of full gradient, evaluate and update on random minibatch of data samples  $B_t$

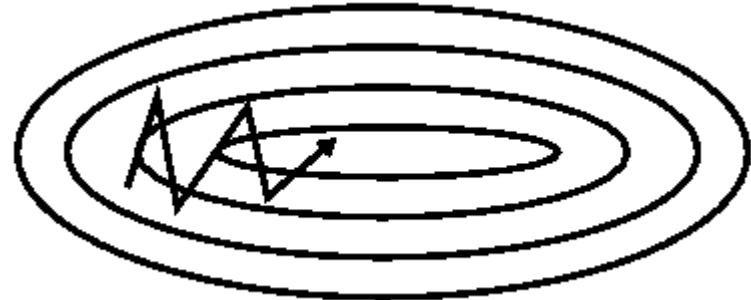
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \frac{\eta}{|B_t|} \sum_{t_n \in B_t} \nabla \ell_{t_n}(x_t)$$

# Momentum Method

Plain gradient update



With momentum



- The momentum method maintains a running average of all gradients until the *current* step

$$v_{t+1} = \beta v_t - \eta \nabla \ell(x_t)$$

$$x_{t+1} = x_t + v_t$$

- Typical  $\beta$  value is 0.9
- The running average steps
  - Get longer in directions where gradient retains the same sign
  - Become shorter in directions where the sign keeps flipping

# AdaGrad

- AdaGrad (Duchi, Hazan, and Singer 2010) very popular adaptive method.

$$G_{t+1} = G_t + \nabla \ell(x_t)^2$$
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \eta \frac{1}{\sqrt{G_{t+1} + \epsilon}} \nabla \ell(x_t)$$

element-wise

- Benefits:
  - AdaGrad does not require tuning learning rate  $\eta$
  - Actual learning rate will decrease
  - Can drastically improve over SGD

# RMSProp

- Similar to AdaGrad, accumulate the squared gradients, but with running average
  - Adagrad denominator monotonically increase ==> diminishing updates for parameters
  - why not decay the denominator

$$G_{t+1} = \beta G_t + (1 - \beta) \nabla \ell(x_t)^2$$
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \eta \frac{1}{\sqrt{G_{t+1} + \epsilon}} \nabla \ell(x_t)$$

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# ADAM: RMSprop + Momentum

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- RMS prop only considers a second-moment normalized version of the current gradient
- ADAM utilizes a smoothed version of the *momentum-augmented* gradient
  - Considers both first and second moments

$$m_{t+1} = \beta_1 m_t - (1 - \beta_1) \nabla \ell(x_t)$$

$$v_{t+1} = \beta_2 v_t + (1 - \beta_2) (\nabla \ell(x_t))^2$$

$$\hat{m}_{t+1} = \frac{m_{t+1}}{1 - \beta_1^{t+1}}$$

$$\hat{v}_{t+1} = \frac{v_{t+1}}{1 - \beta_2^{t+1}}$$

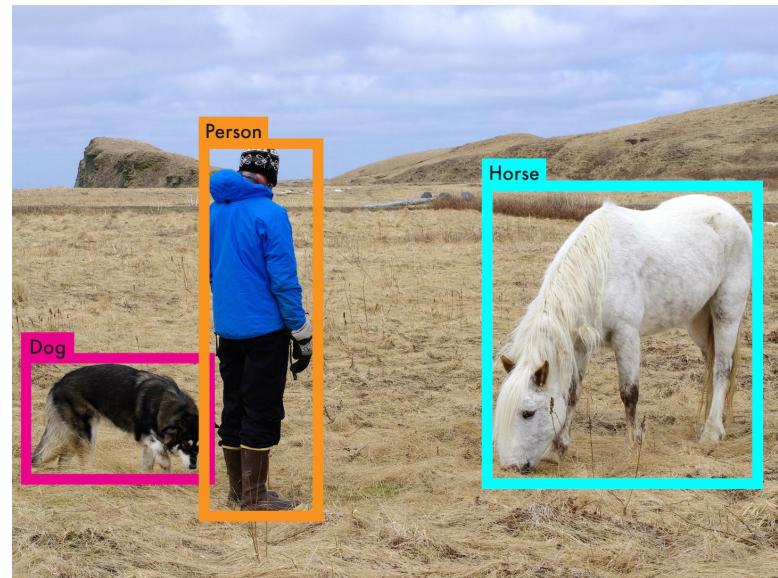
$$x_{t+1} = x_t - \frac{\eta}{\sqrt{\hat{v}_{t+1}} + \epsilon} \hat{m}_{t+1}$$

# Image classification



Dog

# Object Detection



Dog

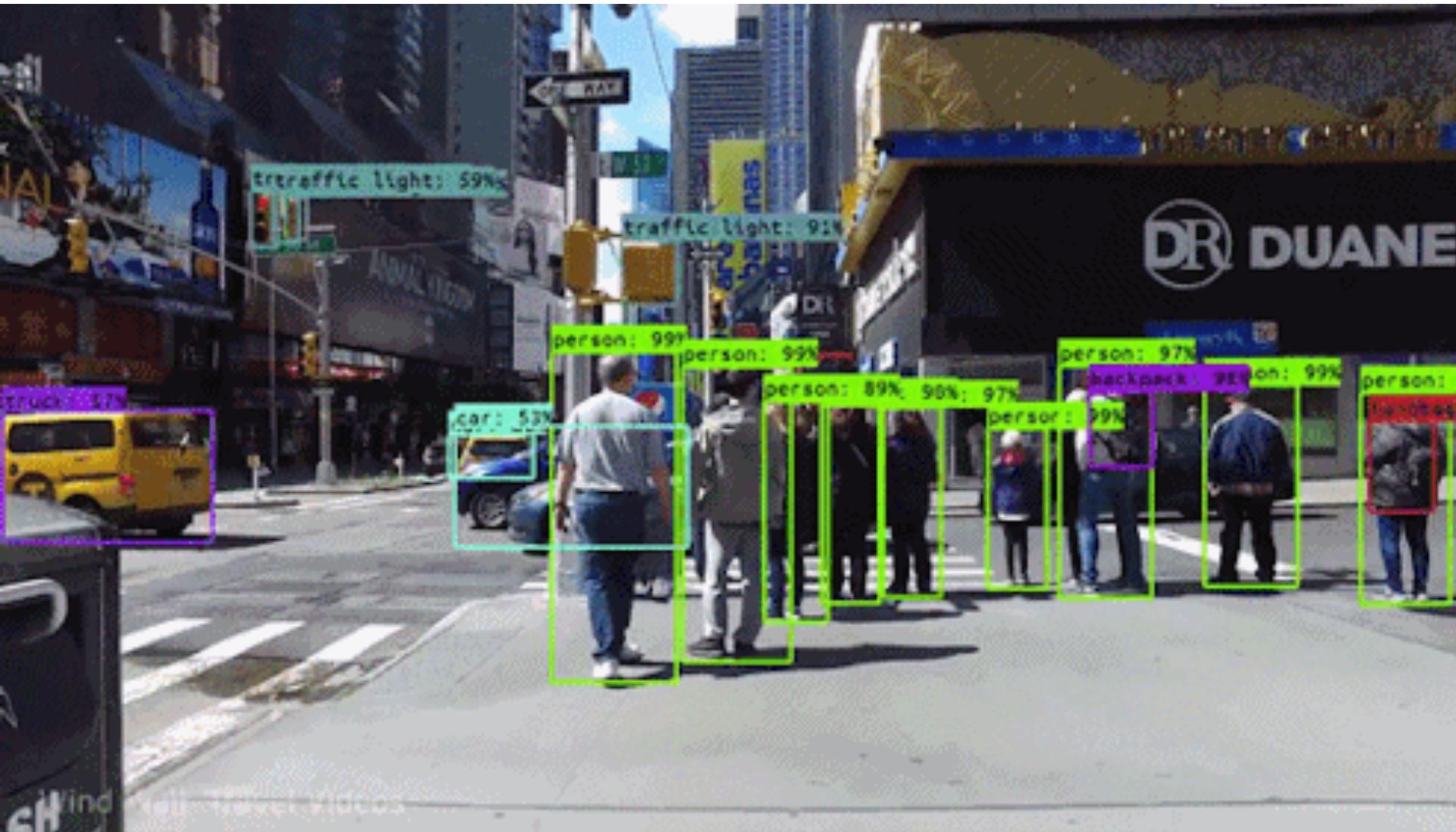


Person



Horse

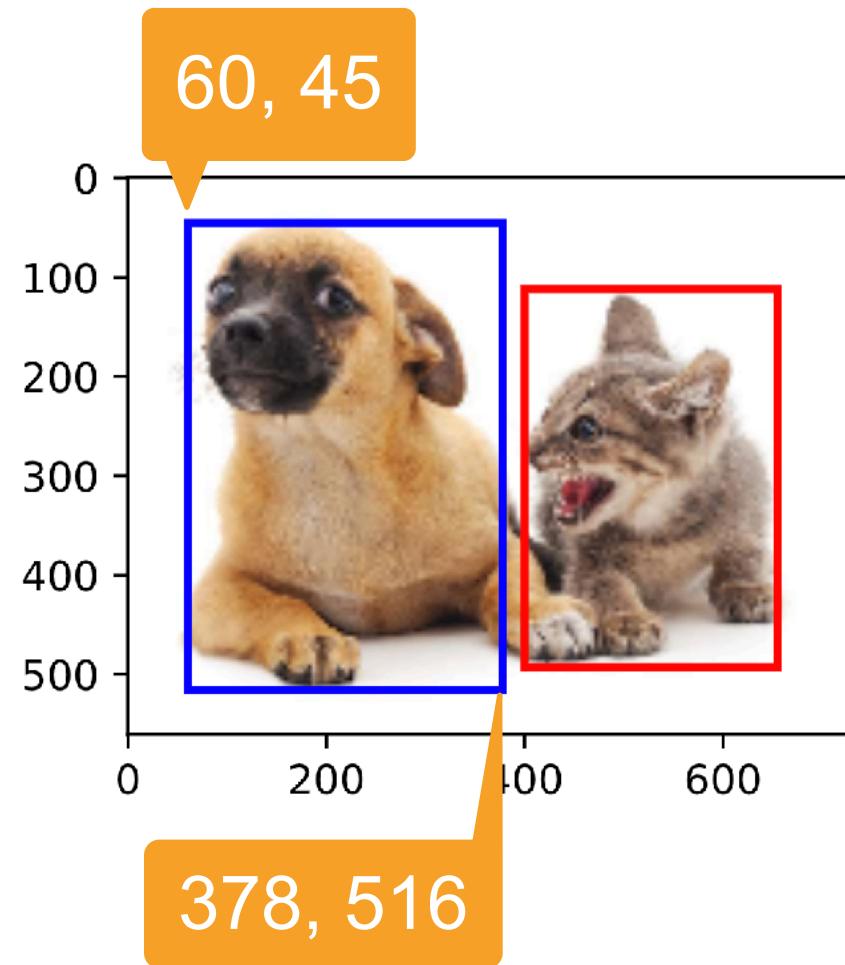




# Locating the Object: Bounding Box

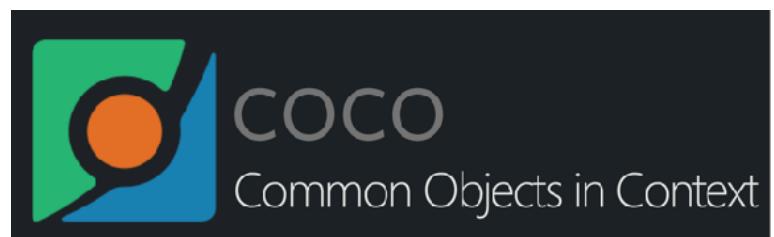
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- A bounding box can be defined by 4 numbers,
  - (top-left x, top-left y, bottom-right x, bottom-right y)
  - (top-left x, top-right y, width, height)



# Object Detection Dataset

- Each row present an object
  - Image\_filename, object\_category, bounding box
- PASCAL VOC
  - 11.53k images, 27.45k objects, 20 classes
- COCO ([cocodataset.org](http://cocodataset.org))
  - 80 object classes
  - 330K images
  - 1.5M objects



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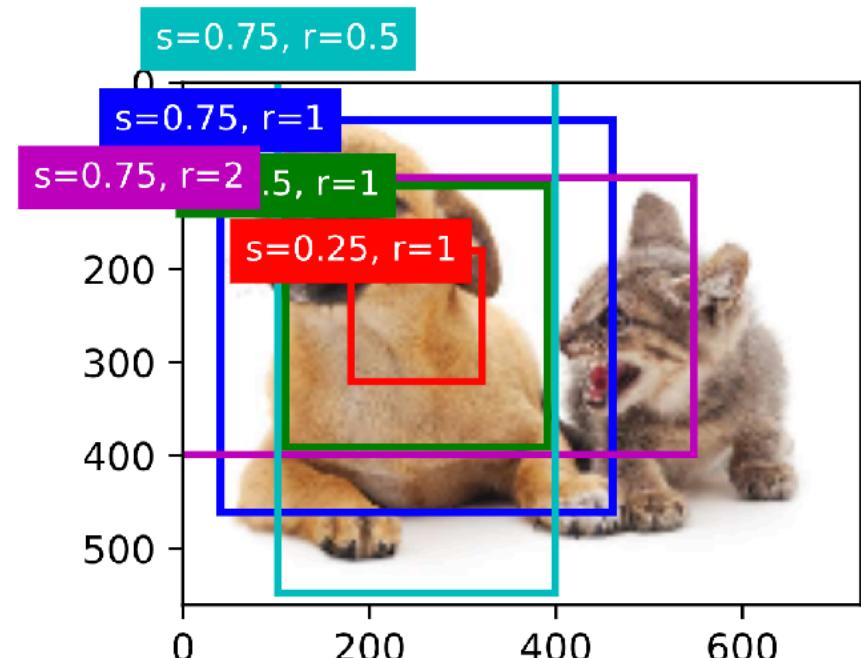
- Open Image (v6):
  - 9M images,
  - 1.9M images with 16M bounding boxes, 600 classes
  - Includes 3.3M visual relations (of 1466 types)
  - <https://storage.googleapis.com/openimages/web/factsfigures.html>

- BDD100k
  - 100k videos in driving scenario
  - <https://github.com/bdd100k/bdd100k>



# Anchor Boxes

- A detection algorithm often
  - Proposes multiple regions, called anchor boxes
  - Predict if an anchor box contains an object
  - If yes, predict the offset from the anchor box to the ground truth bounding box

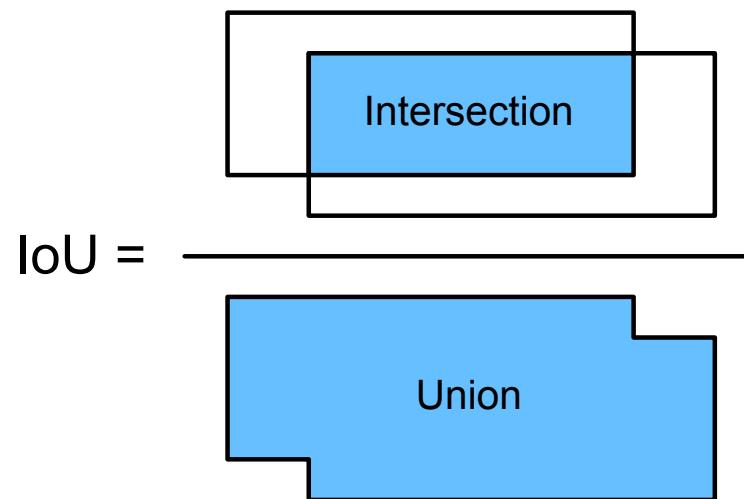


# IoU - Intersection over Union

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- IoU measures the similarity between two boxes
  - 0 means no-overlapping
  - 1 means identical
- It's an especial case of Jacquard index
  - Given sets  $A$  and  $B$

$$J(A, B) = \frac{|A \cap B|}{|A \cup B|}$$

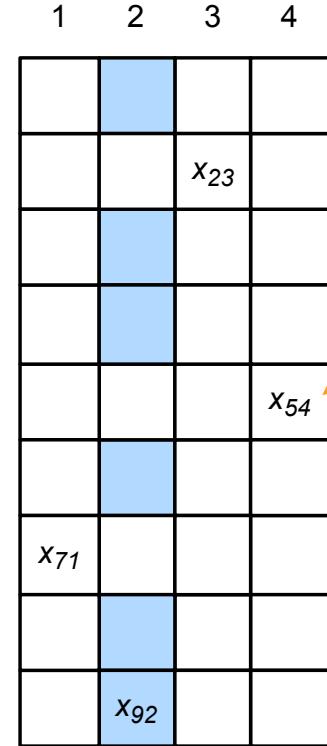
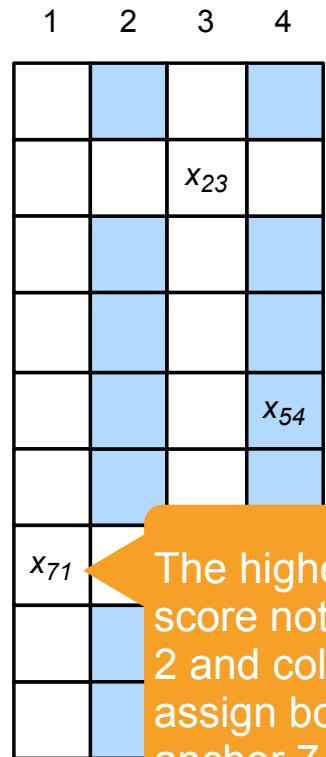
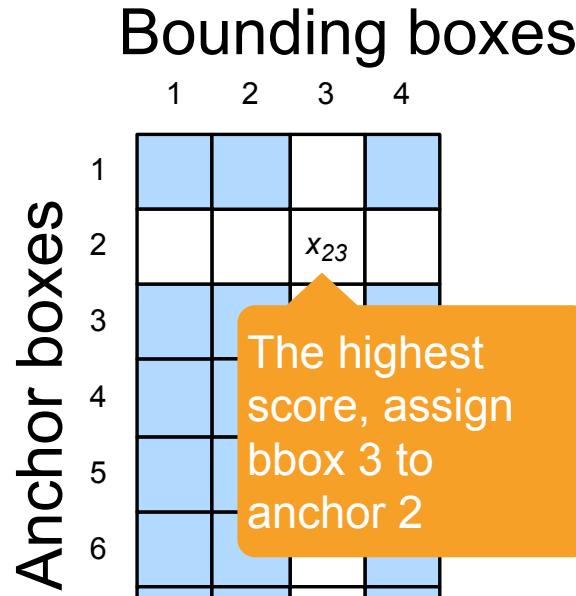


# Assign Labels to Anchor Boxes

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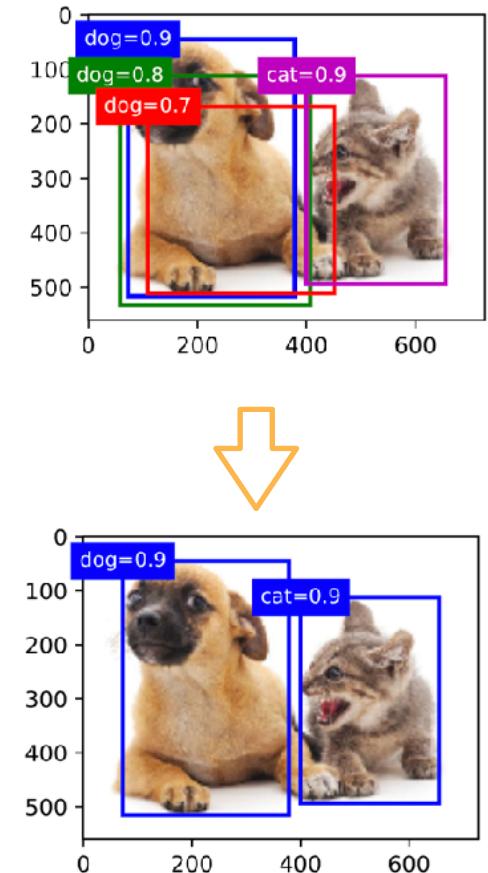
- Each anchor box is a training example
- Label each anchor box with
  - Background
  - Associate with a bounding box
- We may generate a large amount of anchor boxes
  - Leads to a large portion of negative examples

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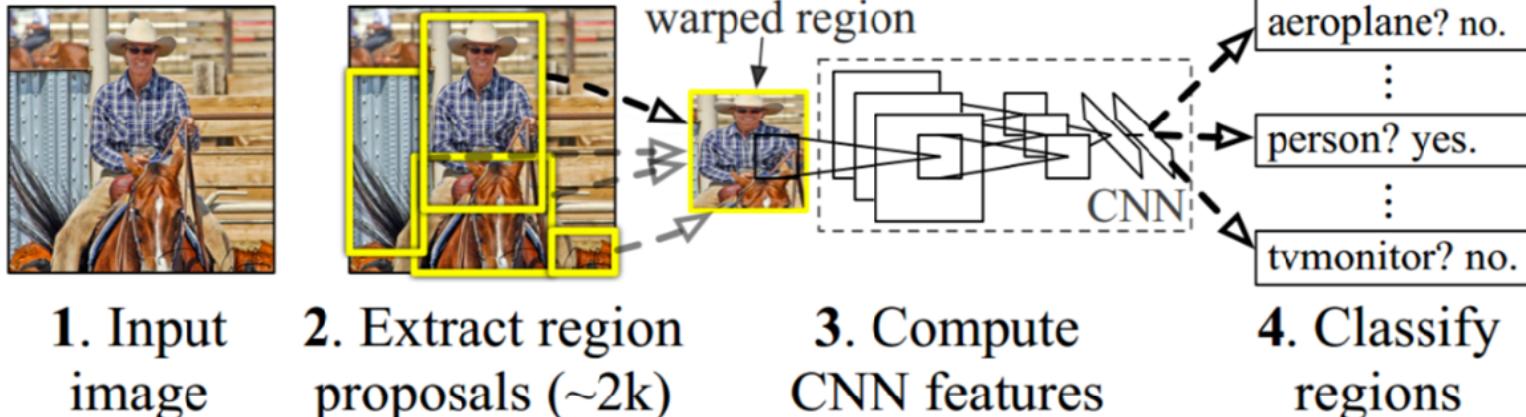
# Output with non-maximum suppression (NMS)

- Each anchor box generates one bounding box prediction
- Select the one with the highest score (not background)
- Remove all other predictions with  $\text{IoU} > \theta$  compared to the selected one
- Repeat until all are selected or removed



# **Region-based CNNs**

# R-CNN



- Select anchor boxes with a heuristic algorithm
- Use a pre-trained networks to extract features for each anchor box
  - Adding classifier layer
  - and regression layer to predict bounding boxes

# Region of Interest (RoI) Pooling

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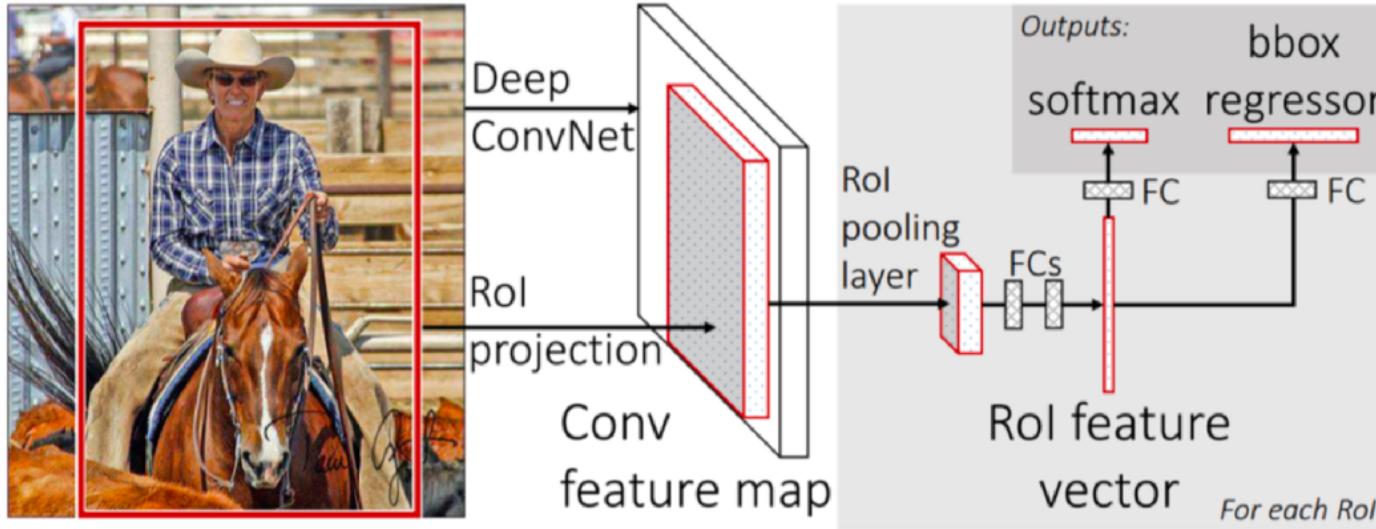
0	1	2	3
4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15

2 x 2 RoI  
Pooling

5	6
9	10

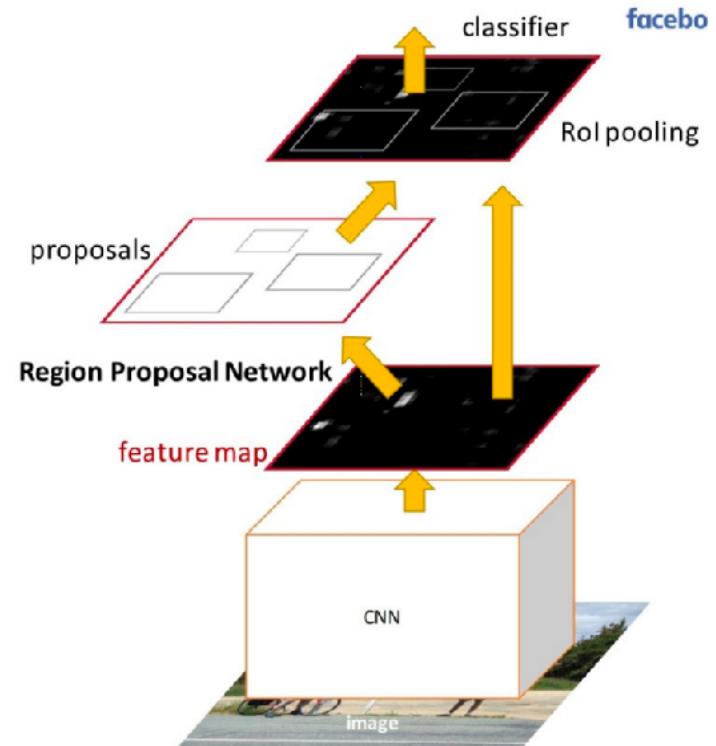
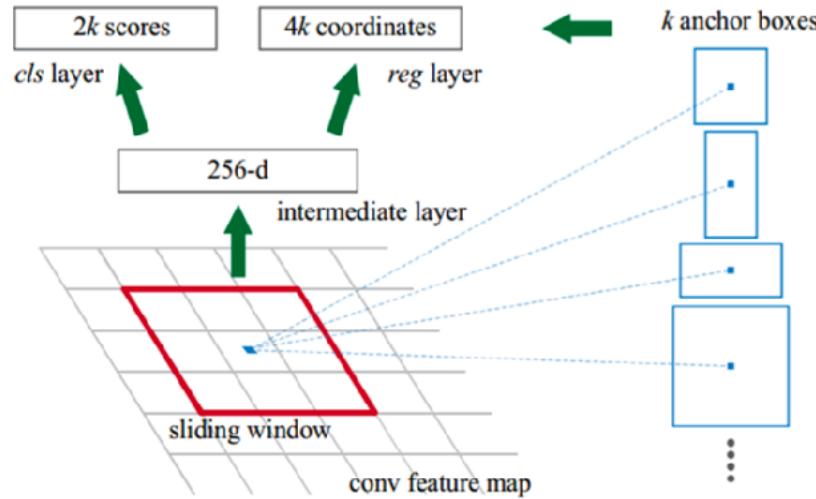
- Given an anchor box, uniformly cuts it into  $n \times m$  blocks, output the maximal value in each block
- Returns  $nm$  values for each anchor box
- A special case of maxpooling

# Fast RCNN



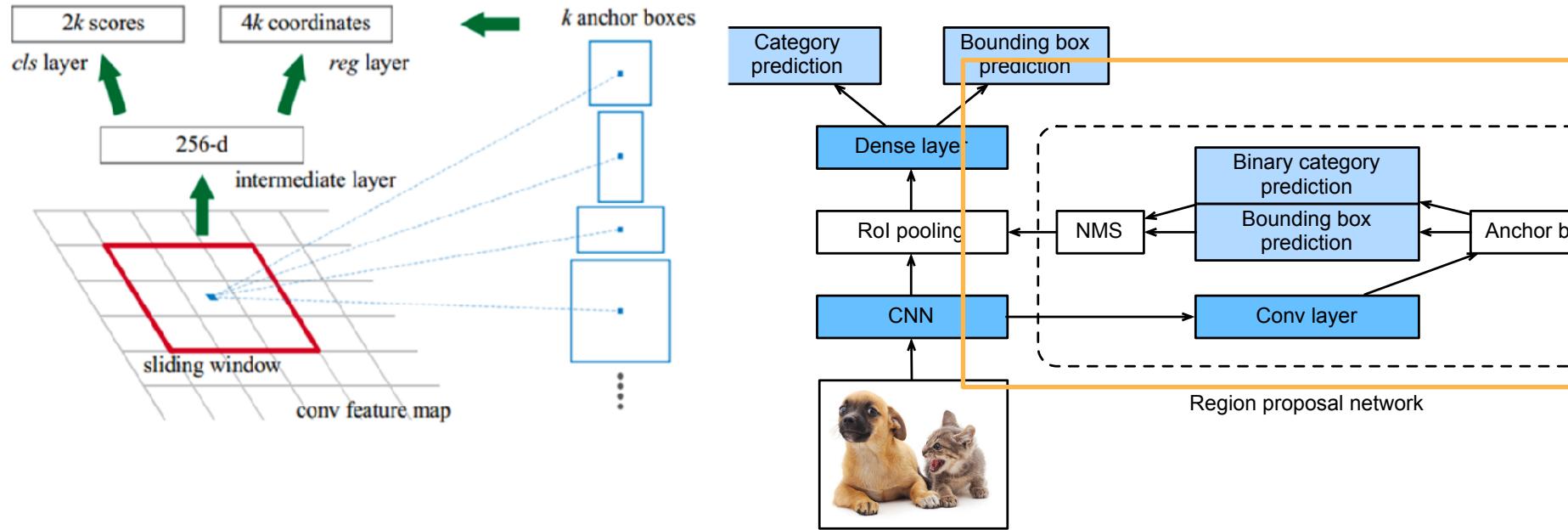
- A CNN to extract features
- Sliding windows on the feature maps
- ROI pooling returns fixed length feature for each anchor box

# Faster R-CNN

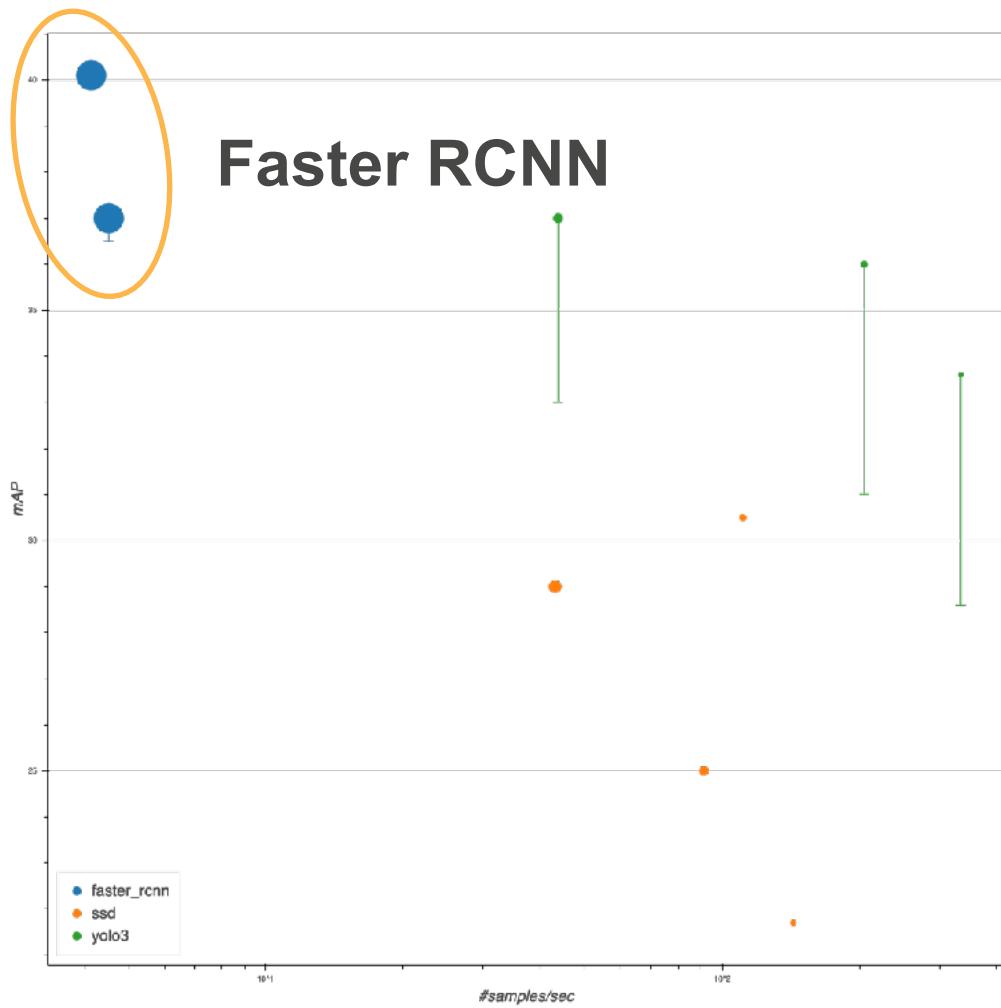


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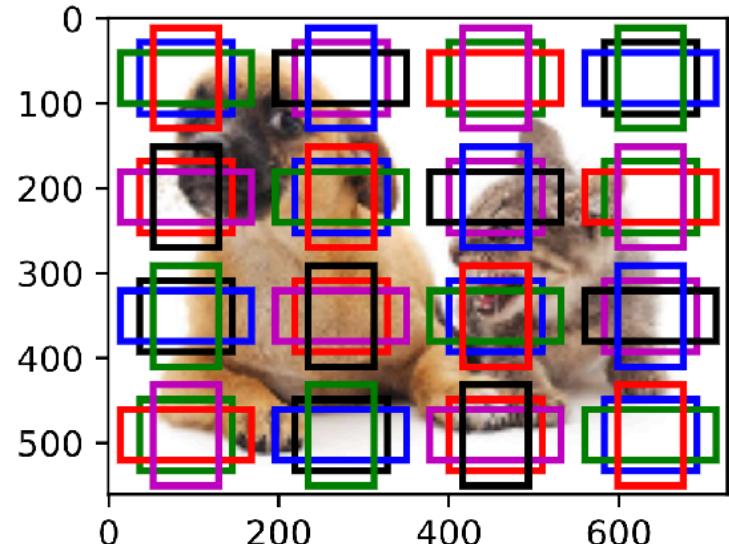


[https://gluon-cv.mxnet.io/model\\_zoo/detection.html](https://gluon-cv.mxnet.io/model_zoo/detection.html)

# **Single Shot Multibox Detection (SSD)**

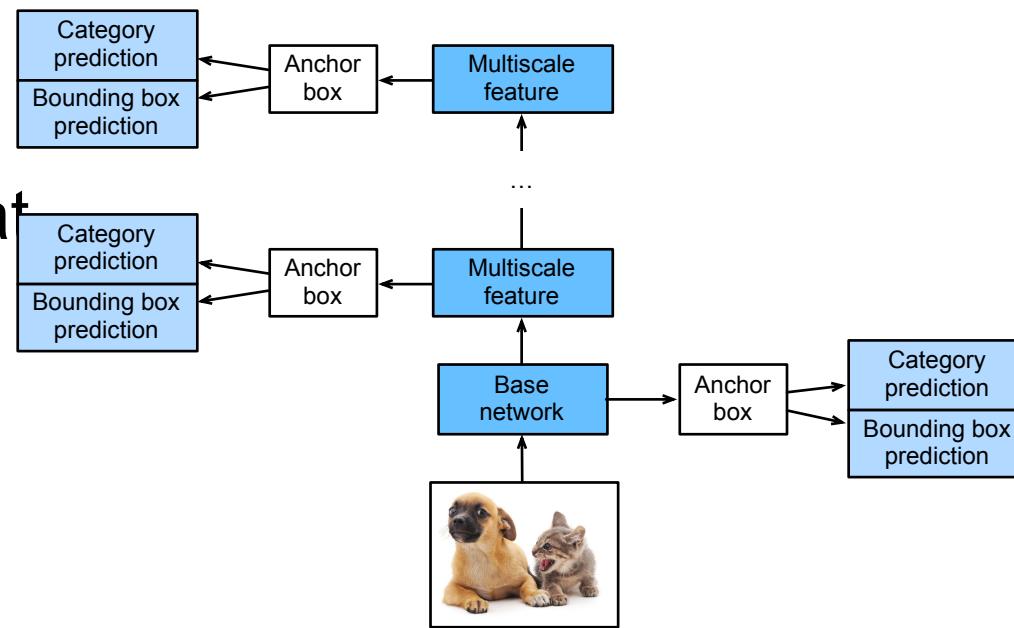
# Generate Anchor Boxes

- For each pixel, generate multiple anchor boxes centered at this pixel
- Given  $n$  sizes  $s_1, \dots, s_n$  and  $m$  ratios  $r_1, \dots, r_m$ , generate  $n+m-1$  anchor boxes  $(s_1, r_1), (s_2, r_1), \dots, (s_n, r_1), (s_1, r_2), \dots, (s_1, r_m)$



# SSD Model

- A base network to extract feature, followed by conv-blocks to halve width and height
- Generate anchor boxes at each scale
  - Bottom for small objects and top for large objects
- Predict class and bounding box for each anchor box



# You Only Look Once (YOLO)

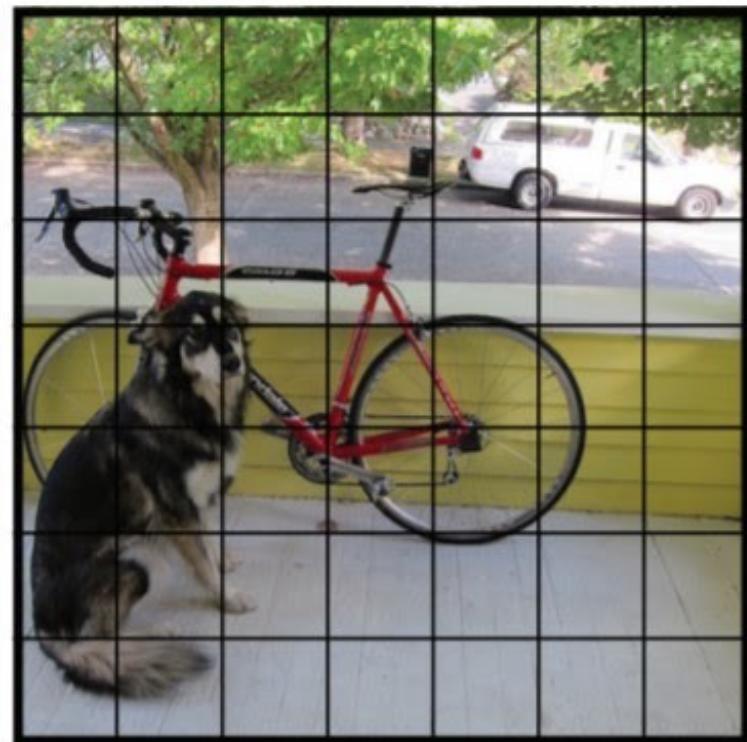
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CVPR 2016

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# YOLO

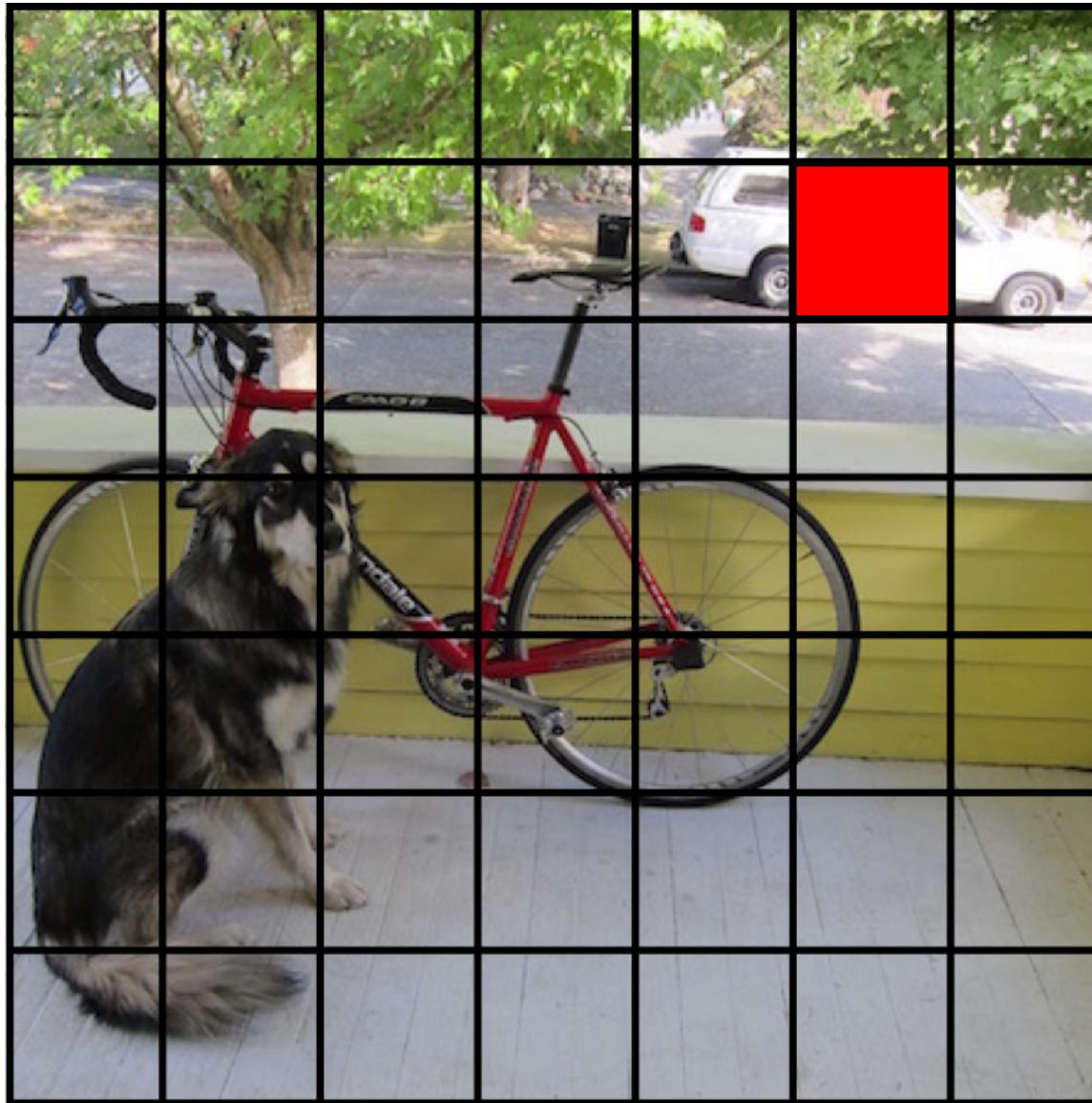
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- Anchor boxes are highly overlapped in SSD
- YOLO cuts the input image uniformly into  $S \times S$  anchor boxes
- Each anchor box predicts  $B$  bounding boxes



$S \times S$  grid on input

# Each cell predicts boxes and confidences: P(Object)

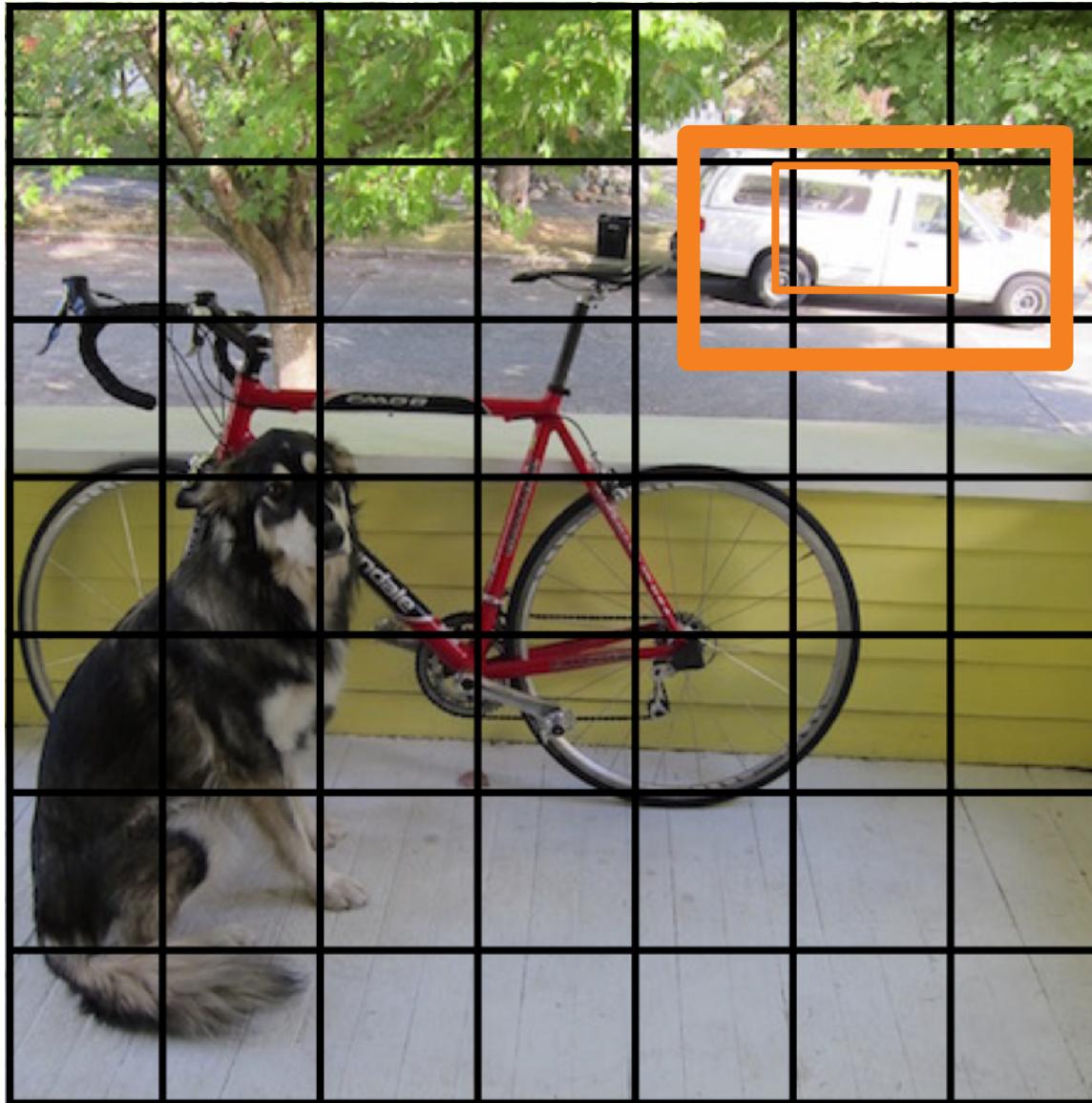


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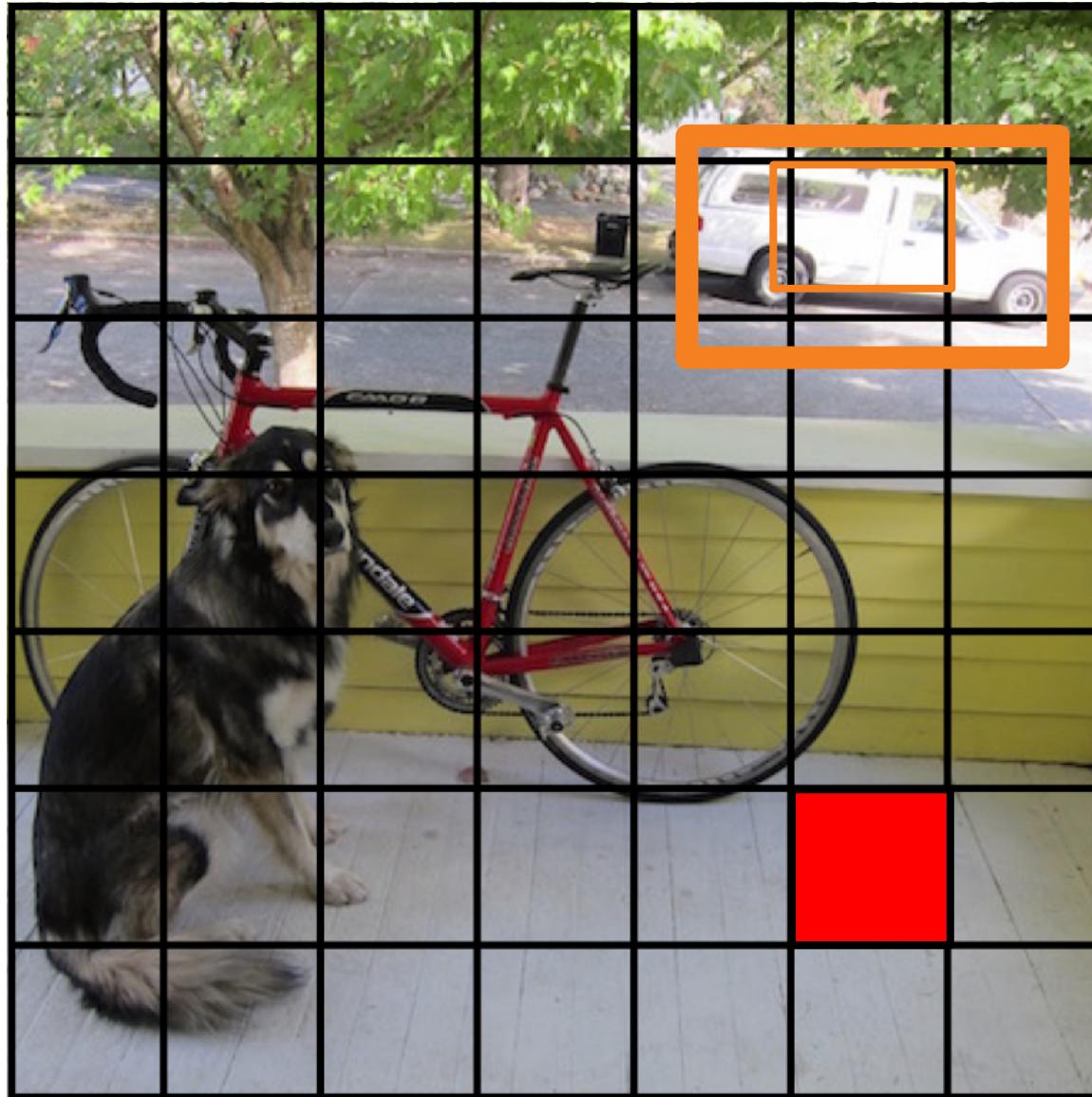
normalize  
(x,y,w,h)  
 $P$

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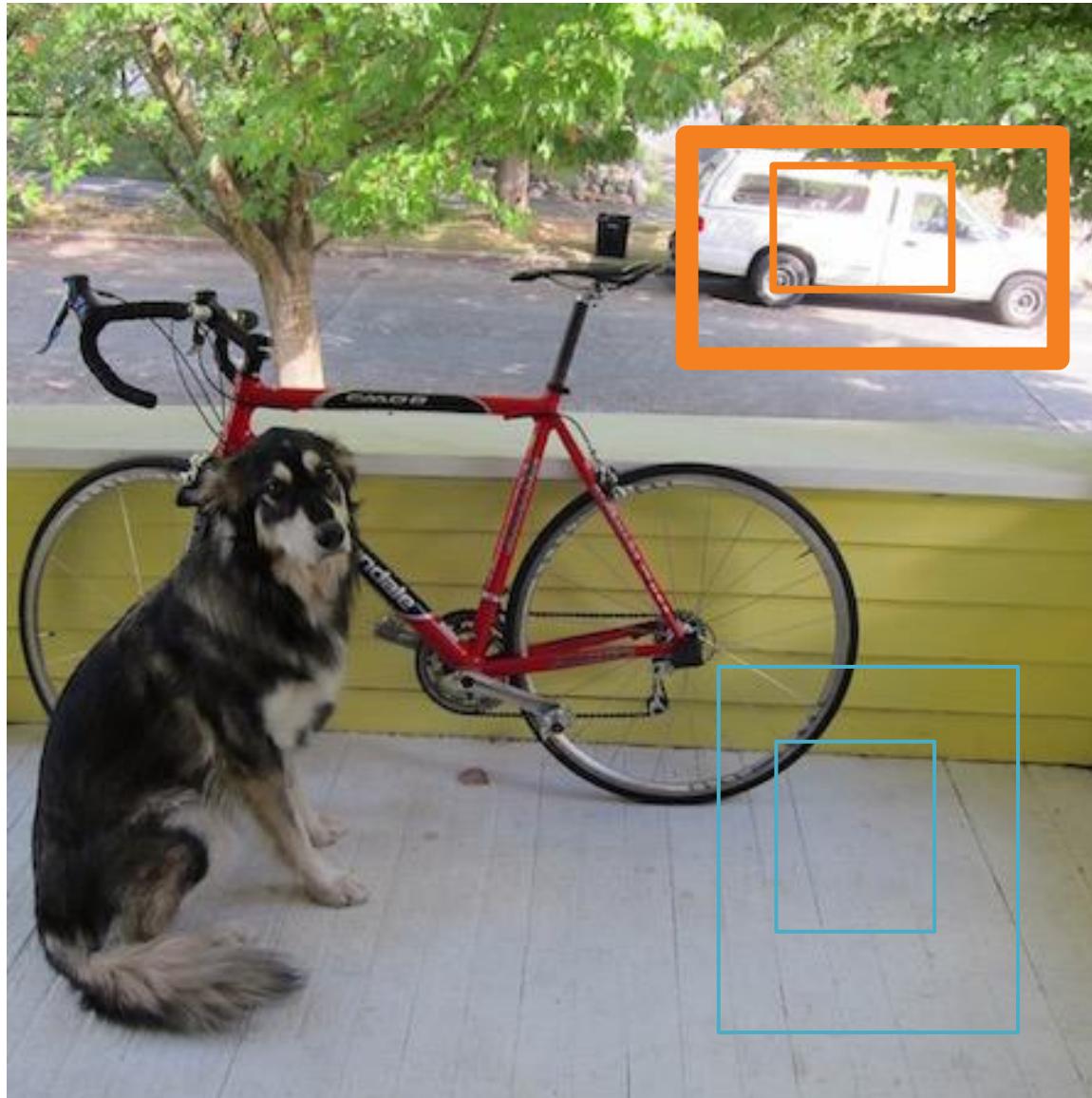


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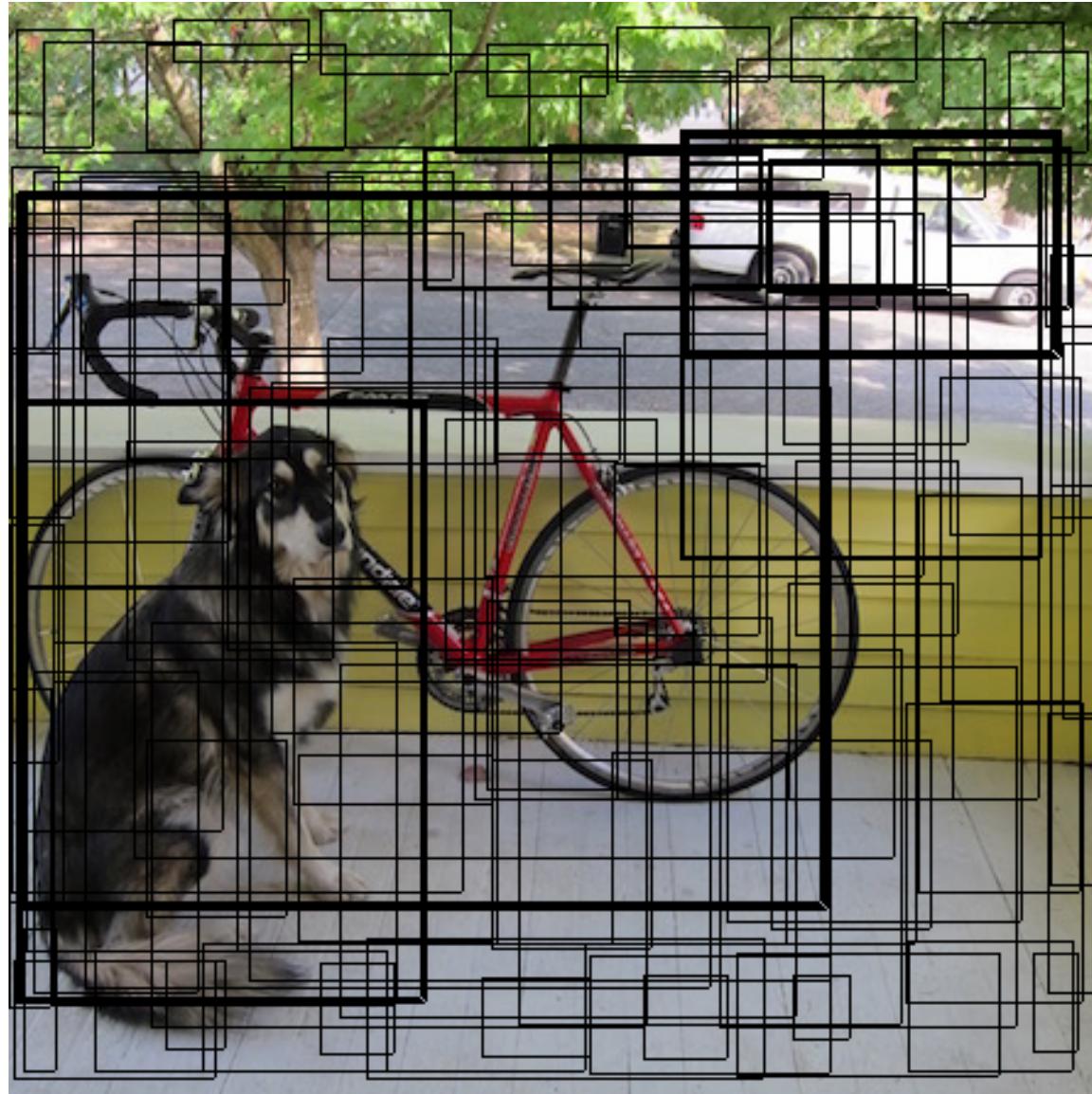
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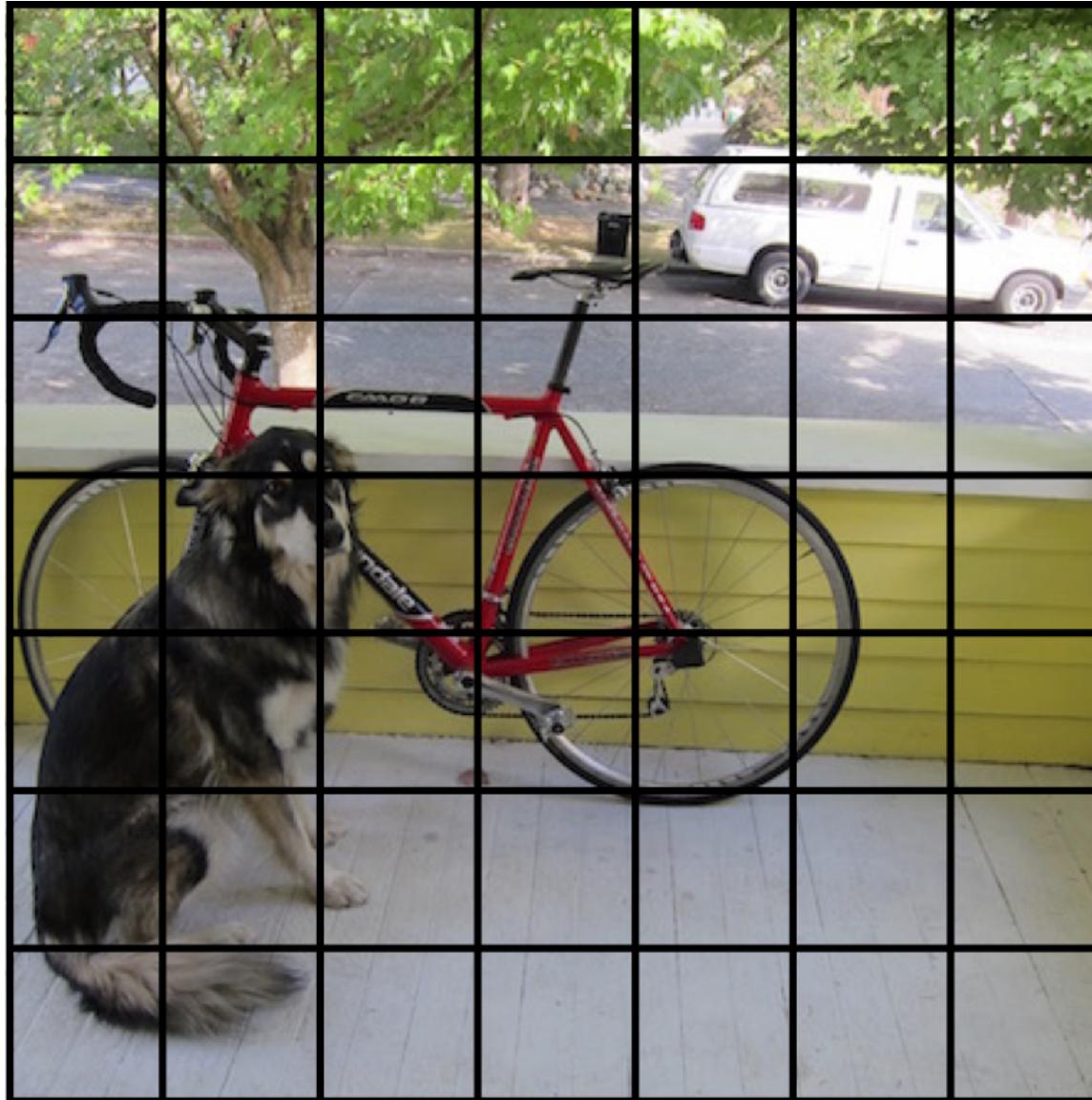
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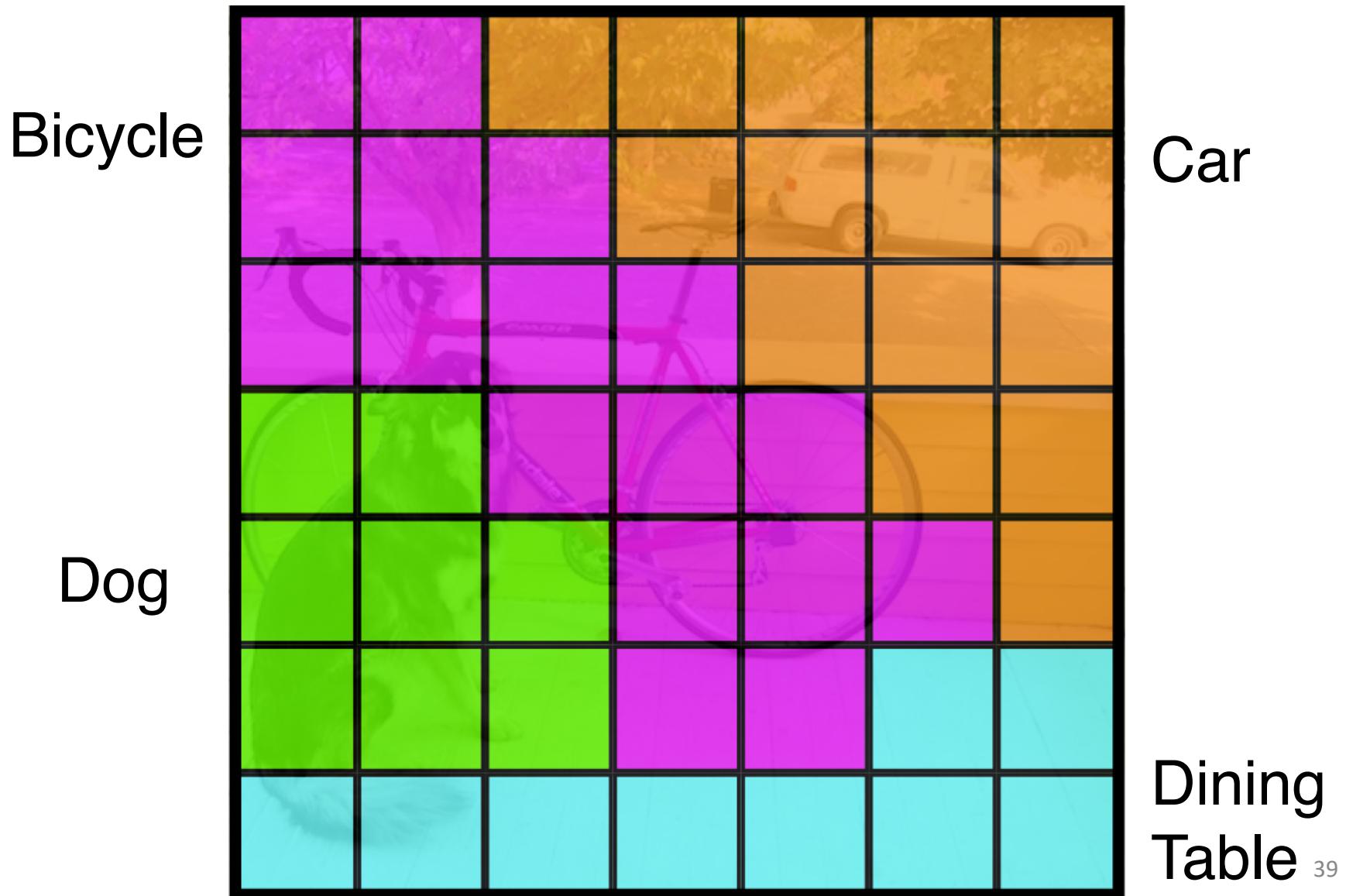
# Each cell predicts boxes and confidences: $P(\text{Object})$



# Each cell also predicts a class probability.



**Each cell also predicts a class probability.**



## Conditioned on object: $P(\text{Car} \mid \text{Object})$

Bicycle

Car

Dog

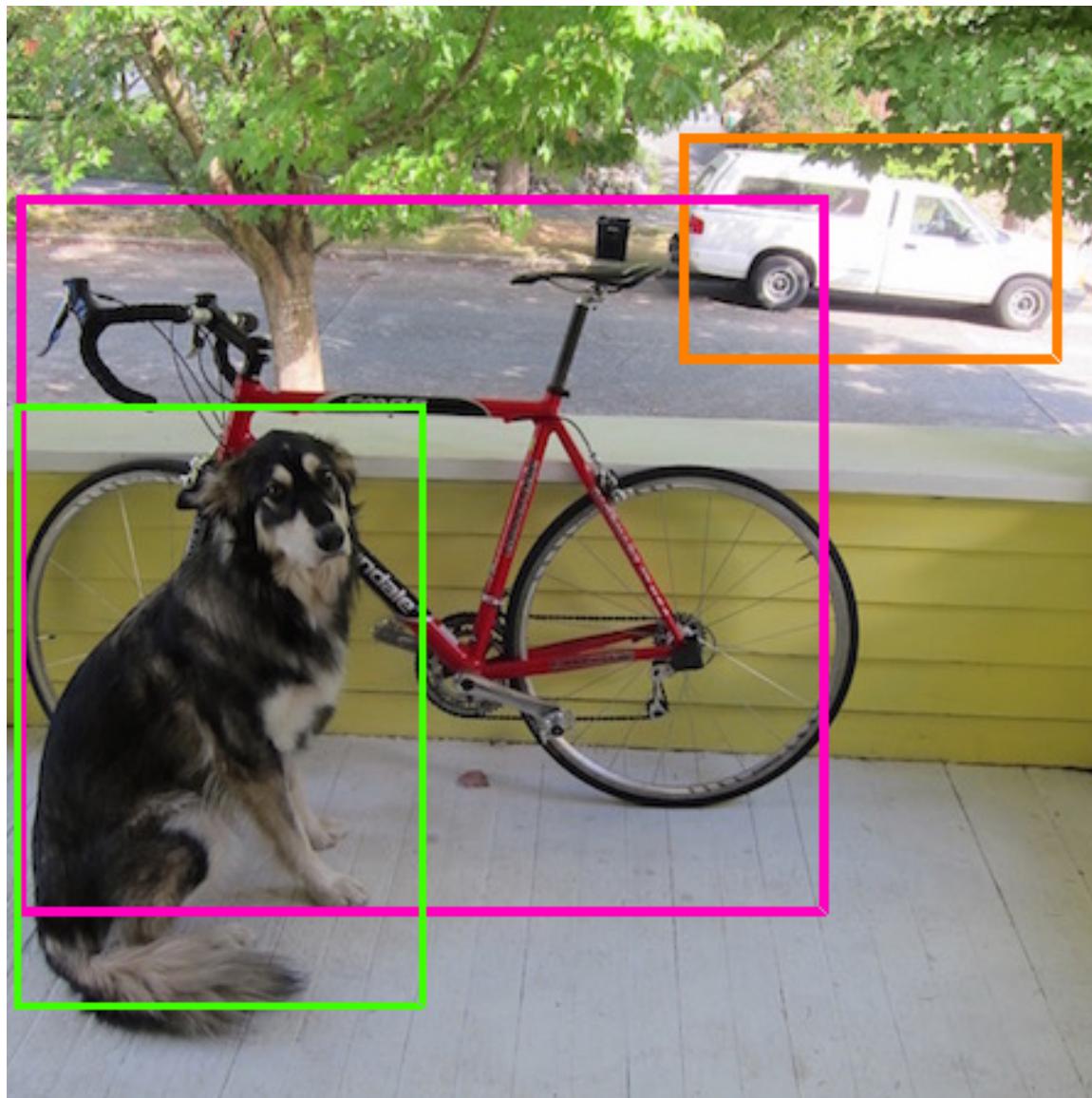
Dining  
Table



**Then we combine the box and class predictions.**



## Finally we do NMS and threshold detections



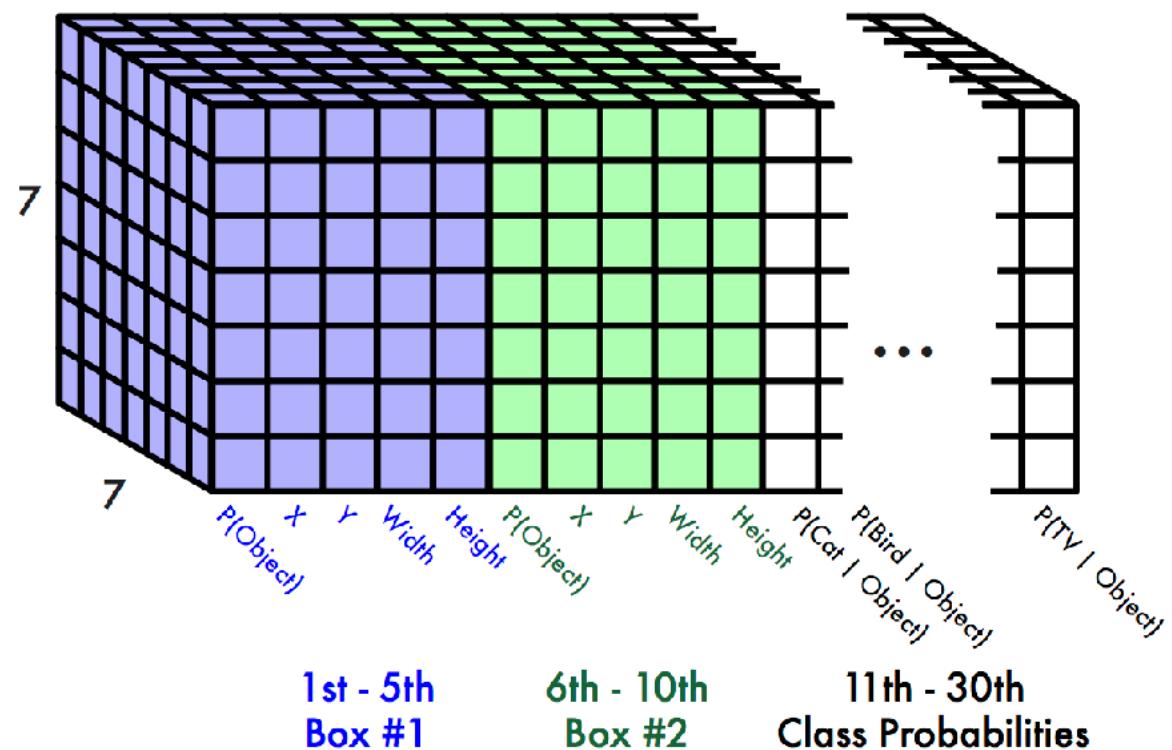
# The output

Each cell predicts:

- For each bounding box:
  - 4 coordinates (x, y, w, h)
  - 1 confidence value
- Some number of class probabilities

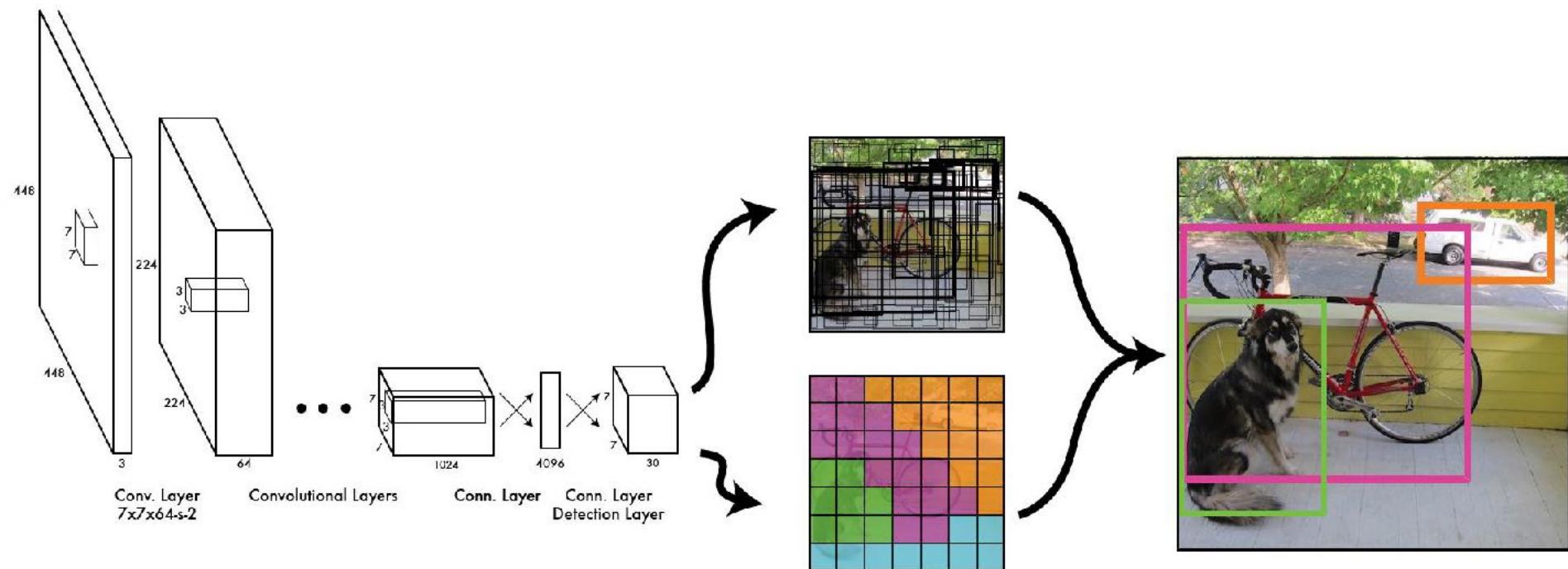
For Pascal VOC:

- 7x7 grid
- 2 bounding boxes / cell
- 20 classes



$$7 \times 7 \times (2 \times 5 + 20) = 7 \times 7 \times 30 \text{ tensor} = \mathbf{1470 \text{ outputs}}$$

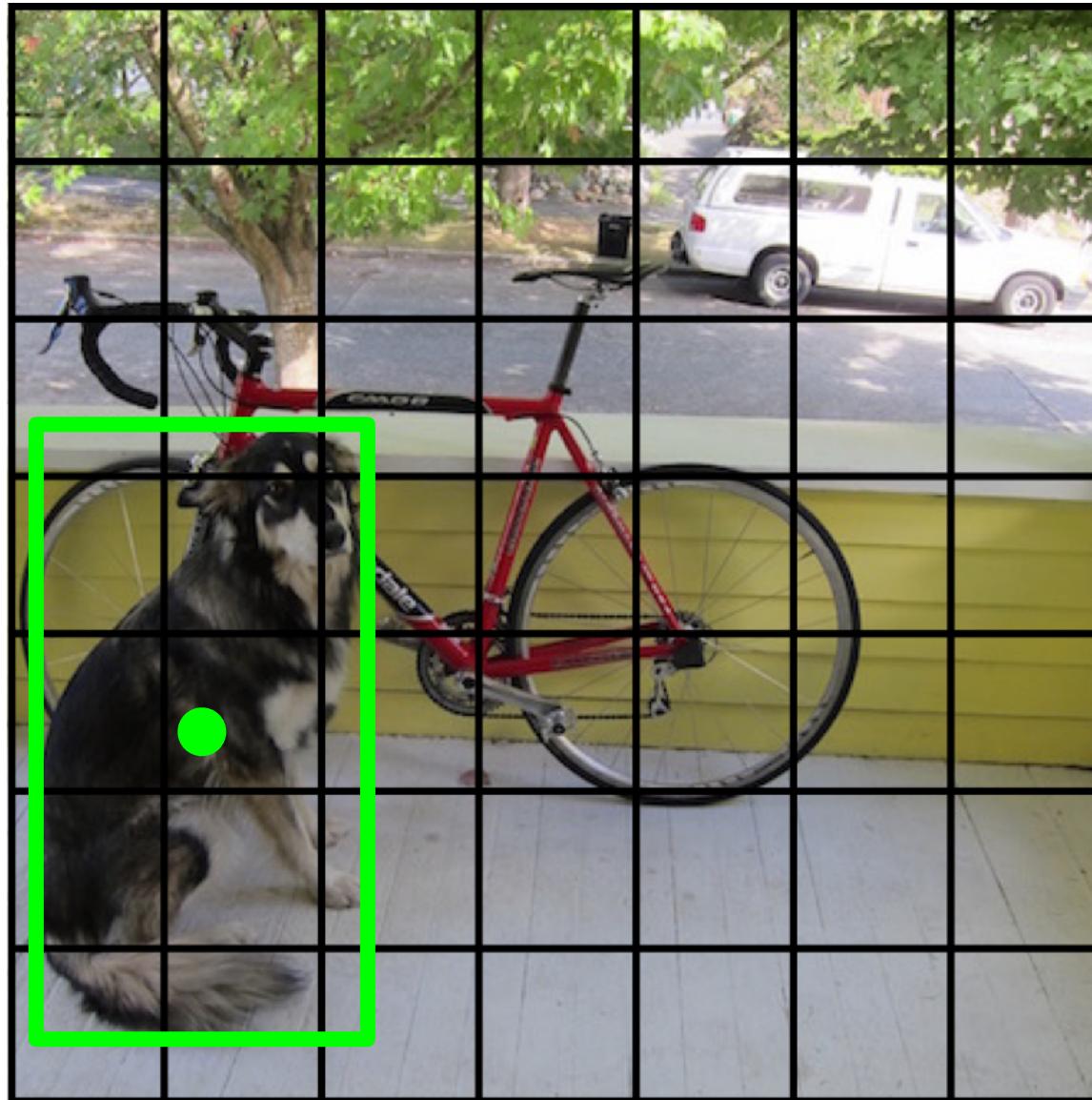
# A single pipeline for detection



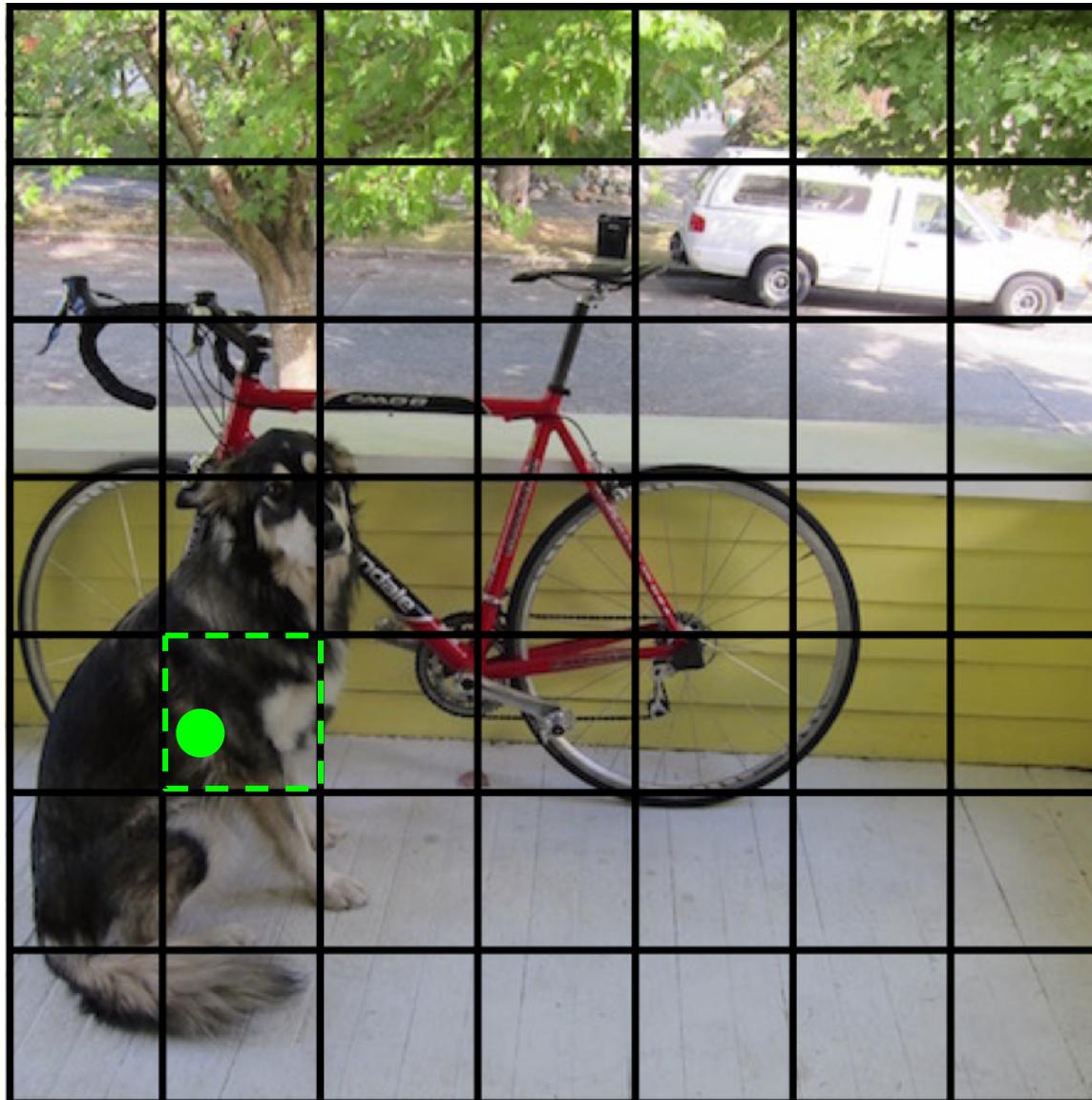
backbone network: VGG16, ResNet101, ...

**During training, match example to the right cell**

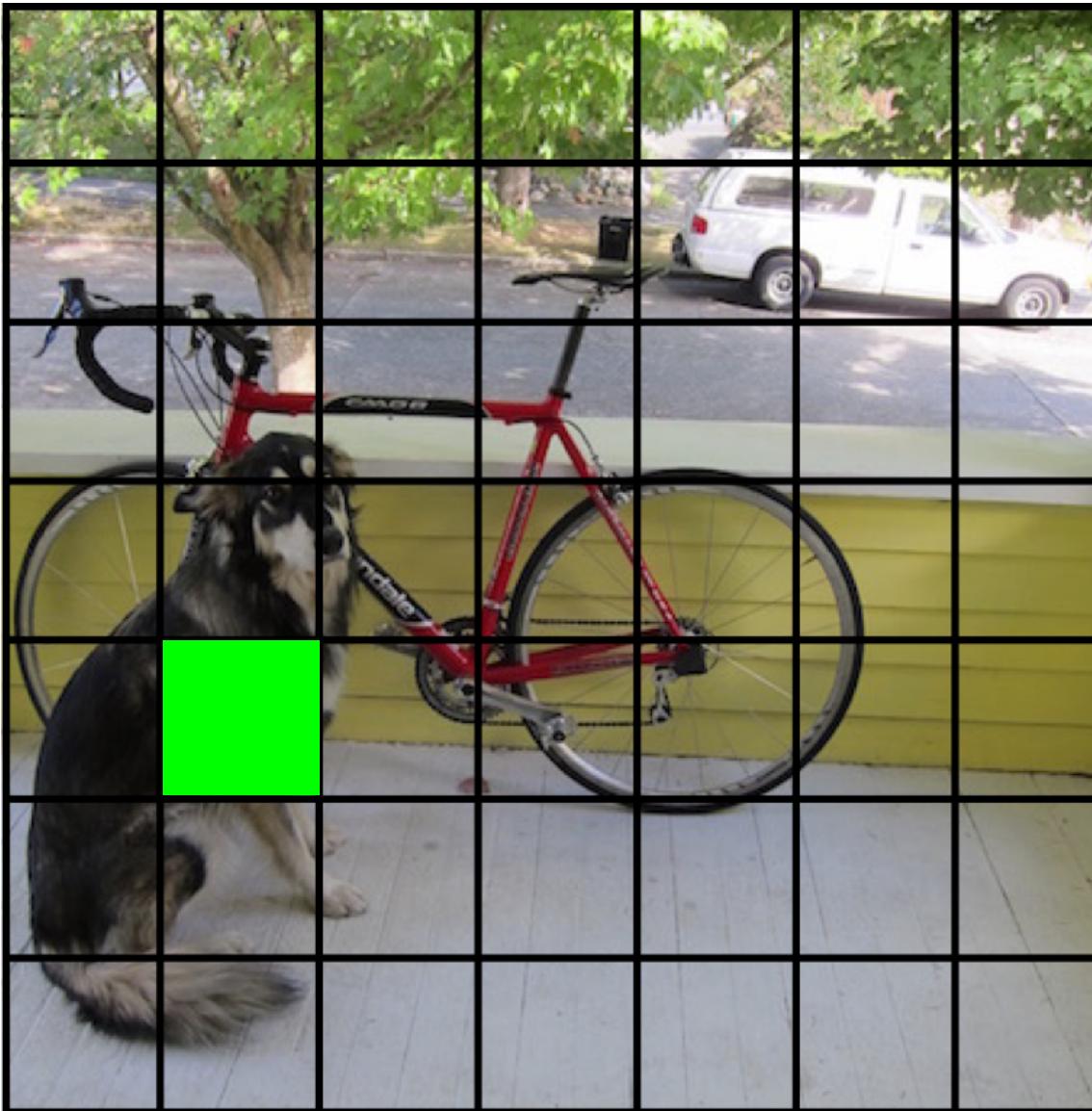
center of  
object



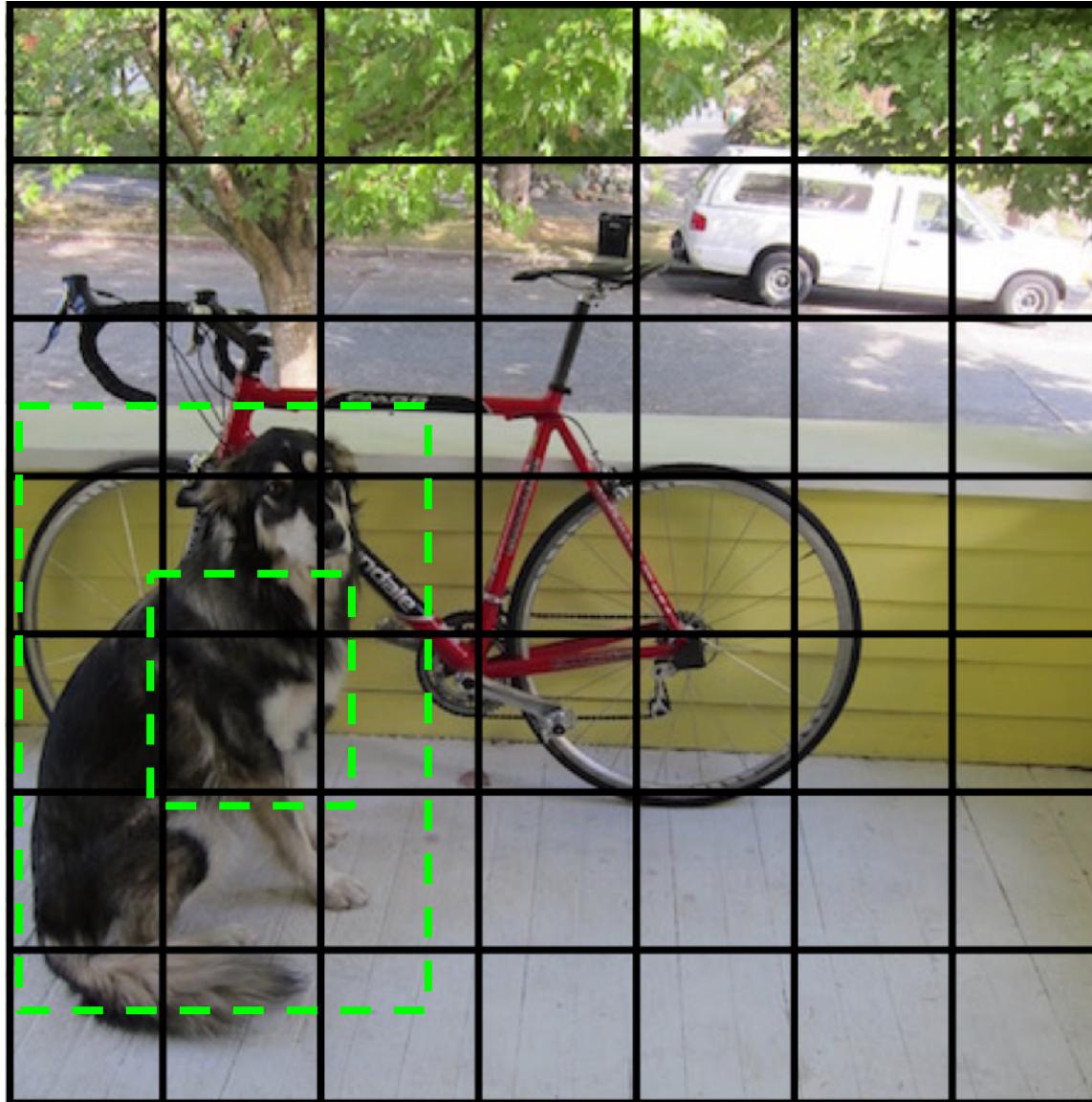
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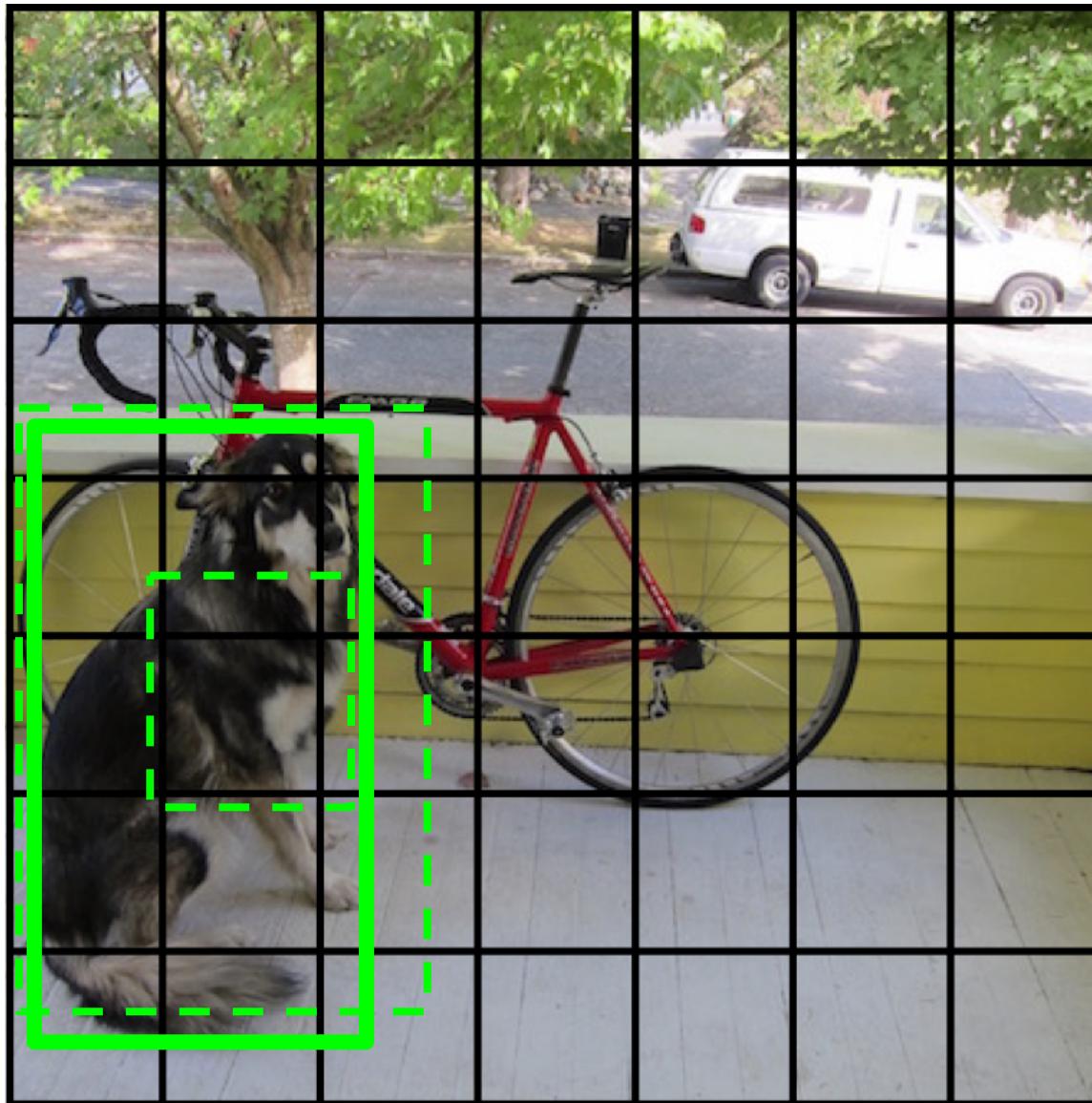
## Adjust that cell's class prediction



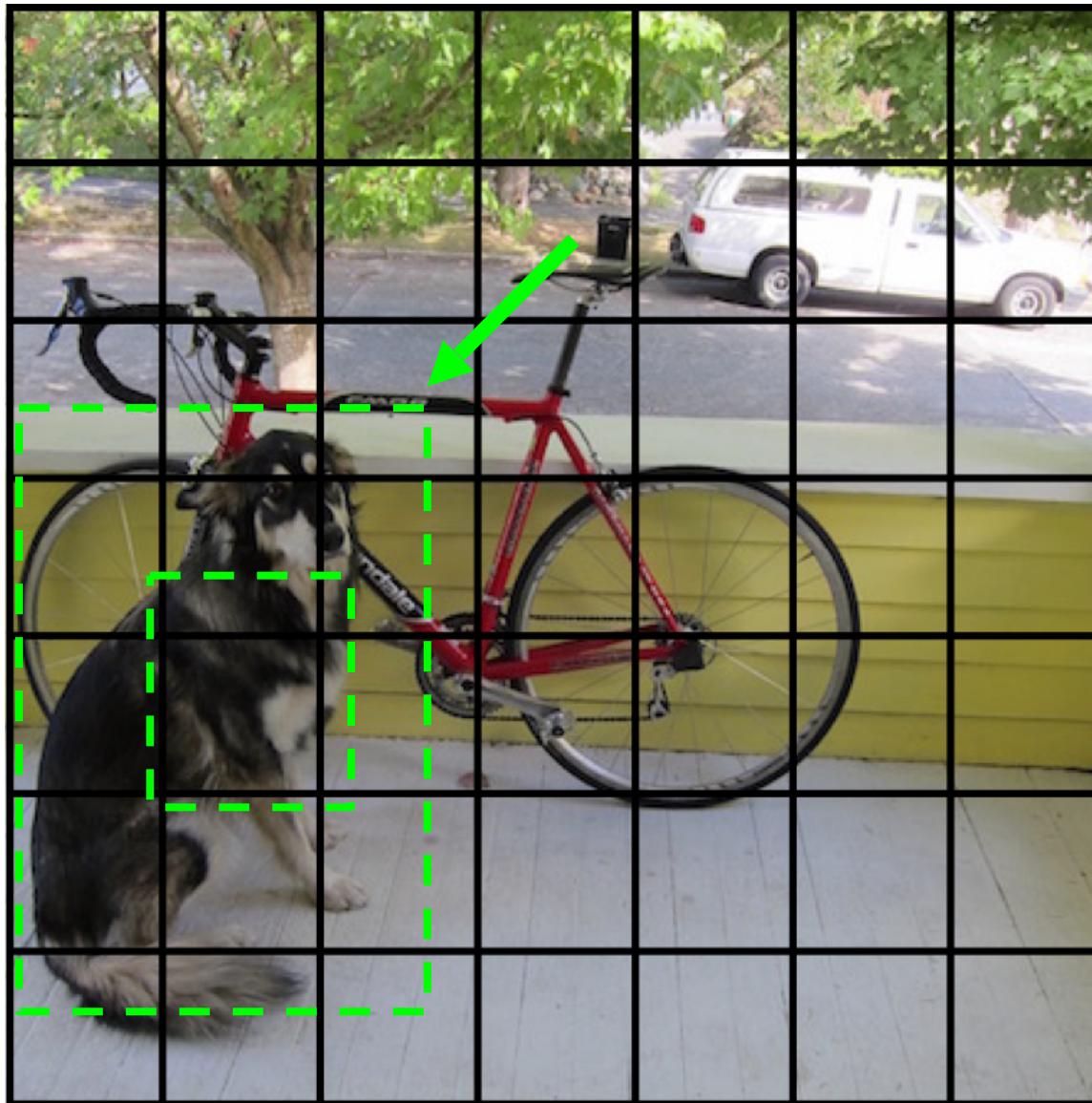
## Look at that cell's predicted boxes



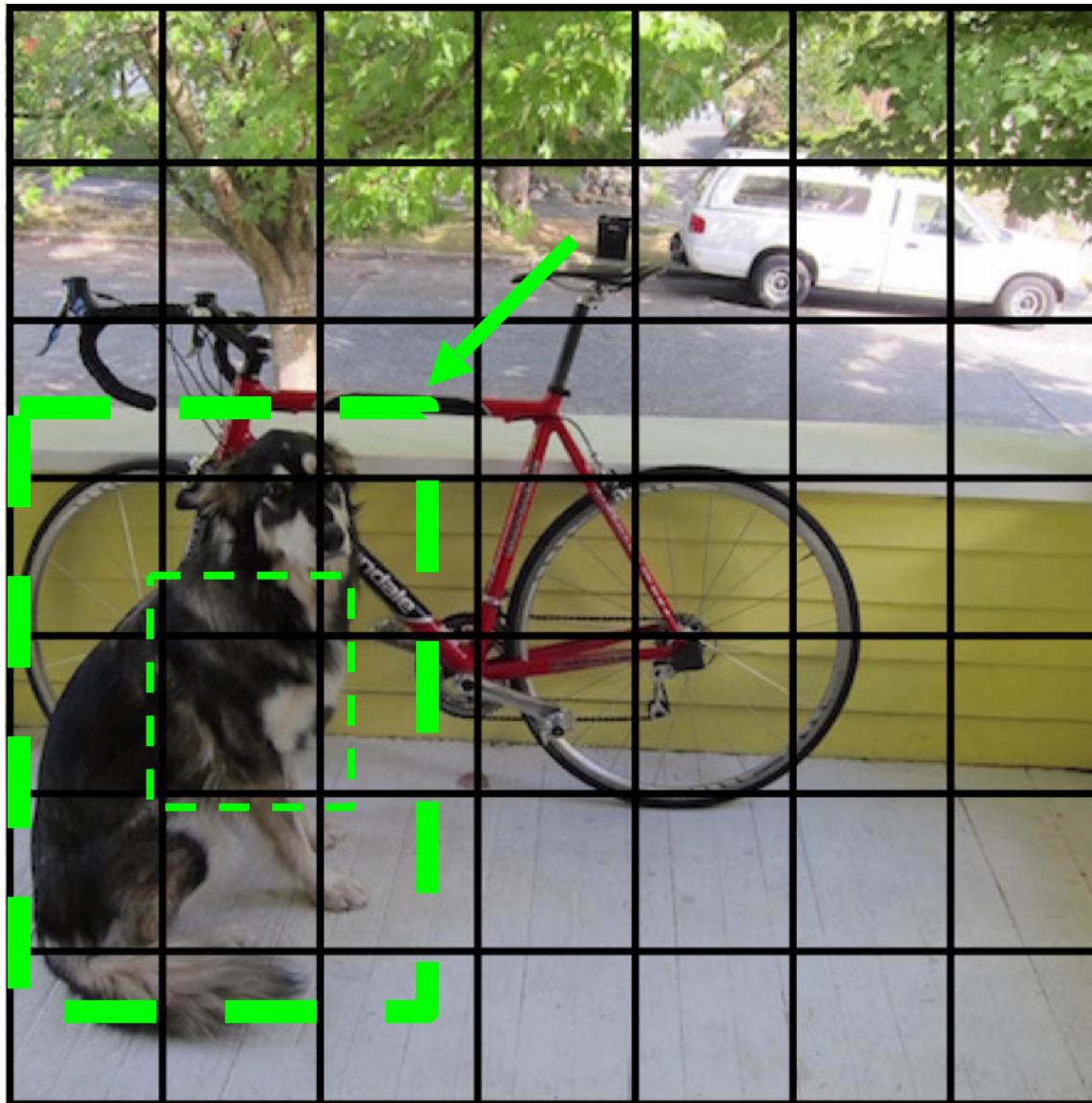
**Find the best one, adjust it, increase the confidence**



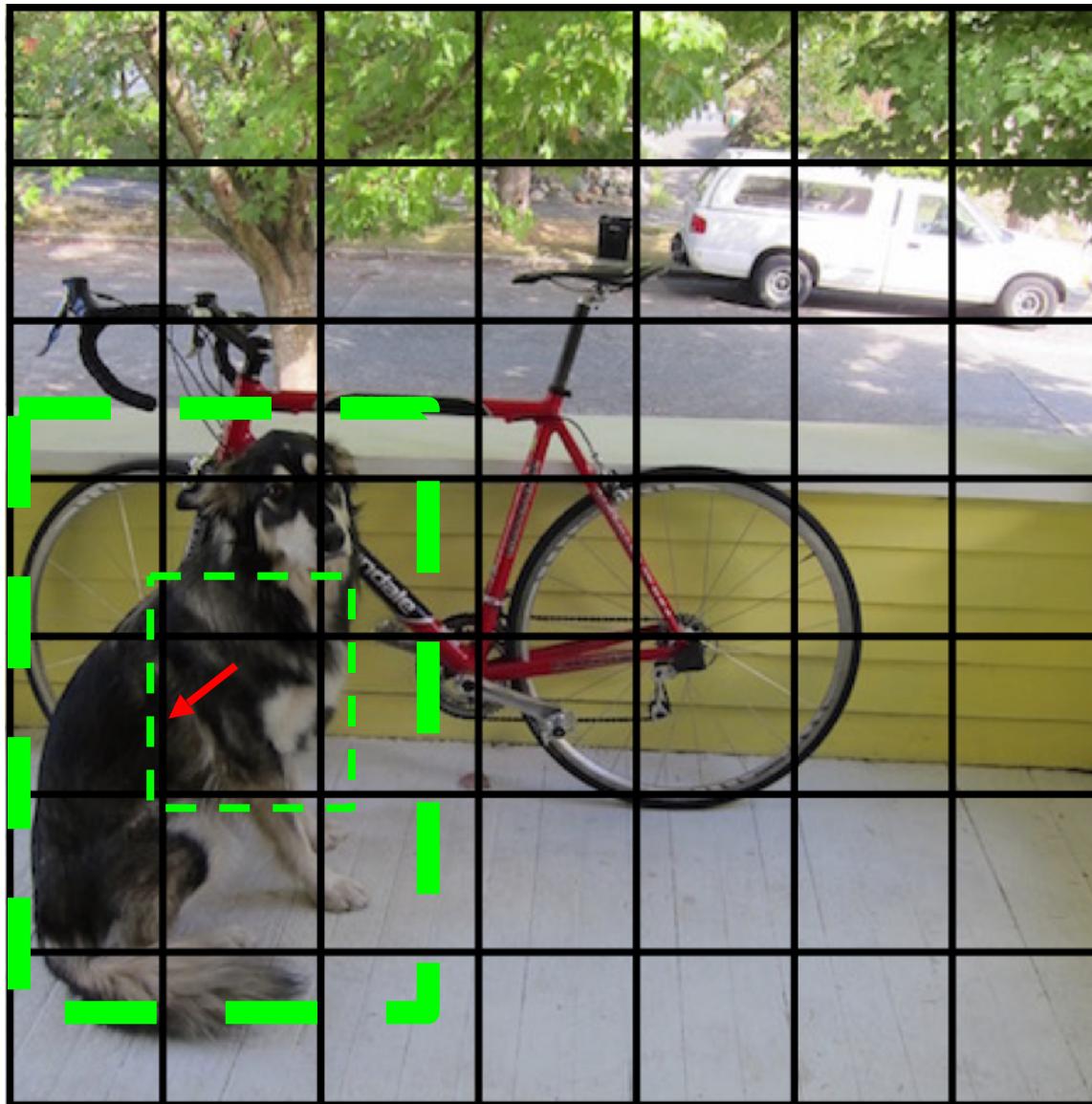
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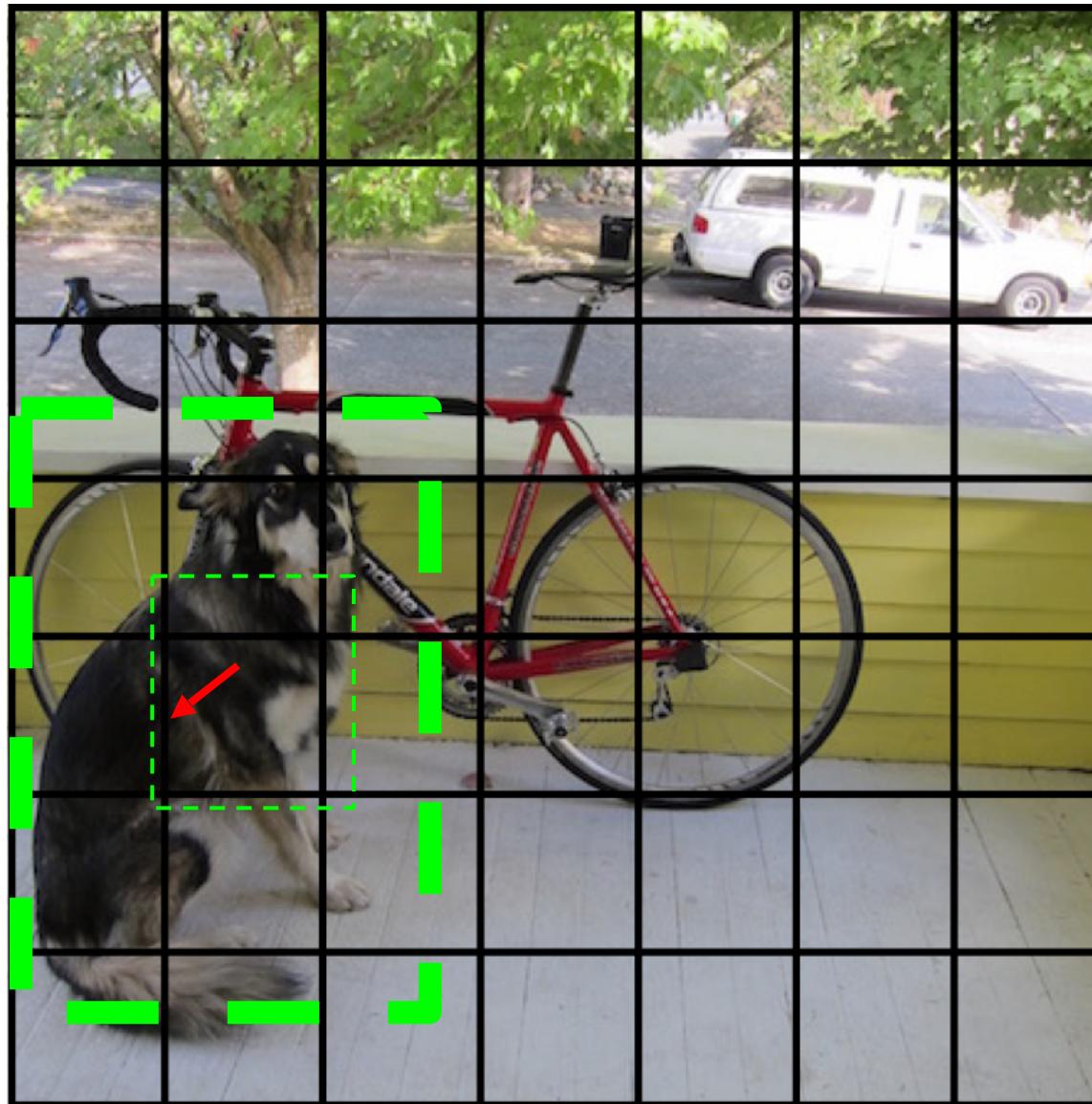
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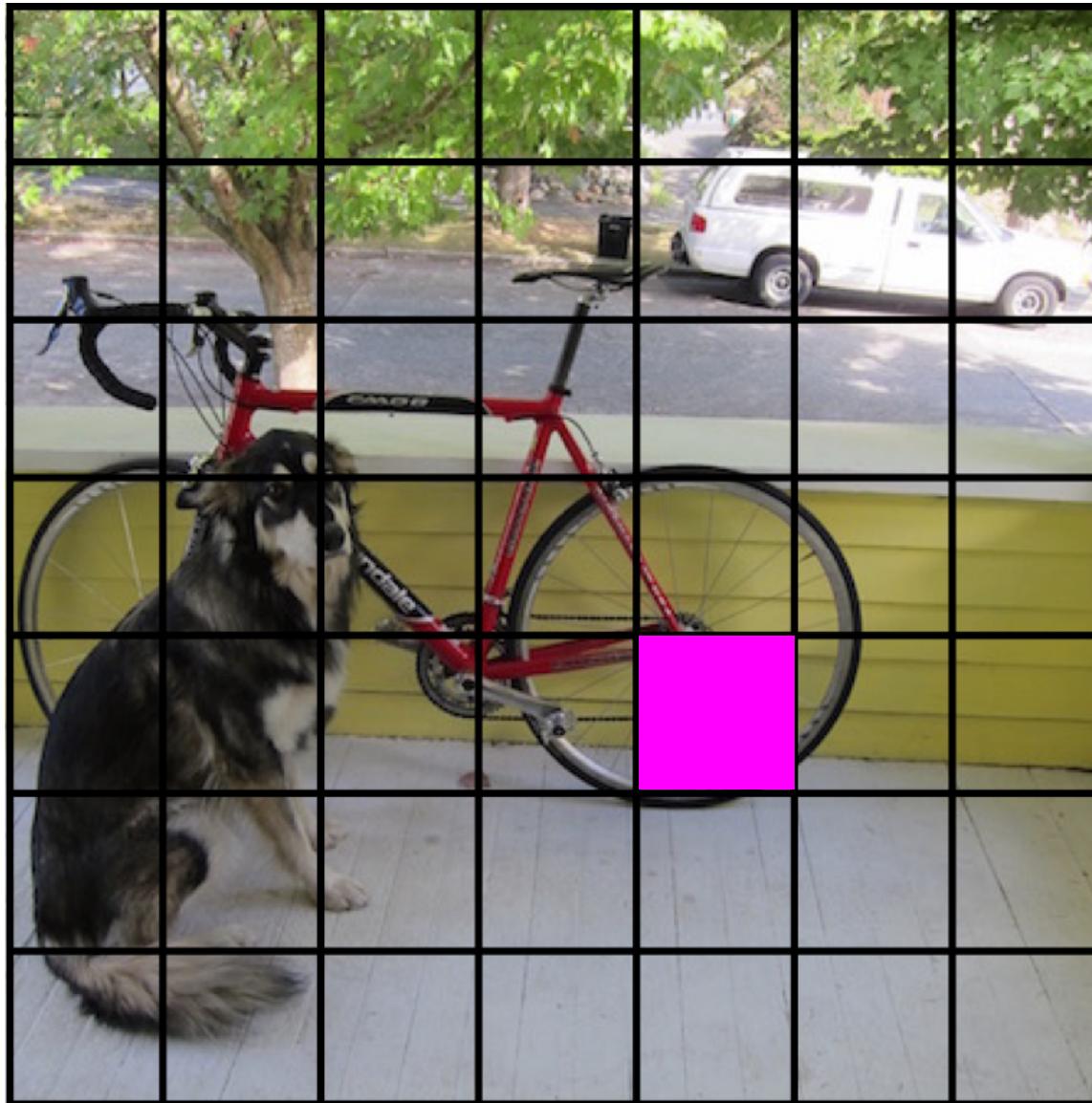
## Decrease the confidence of other boxes



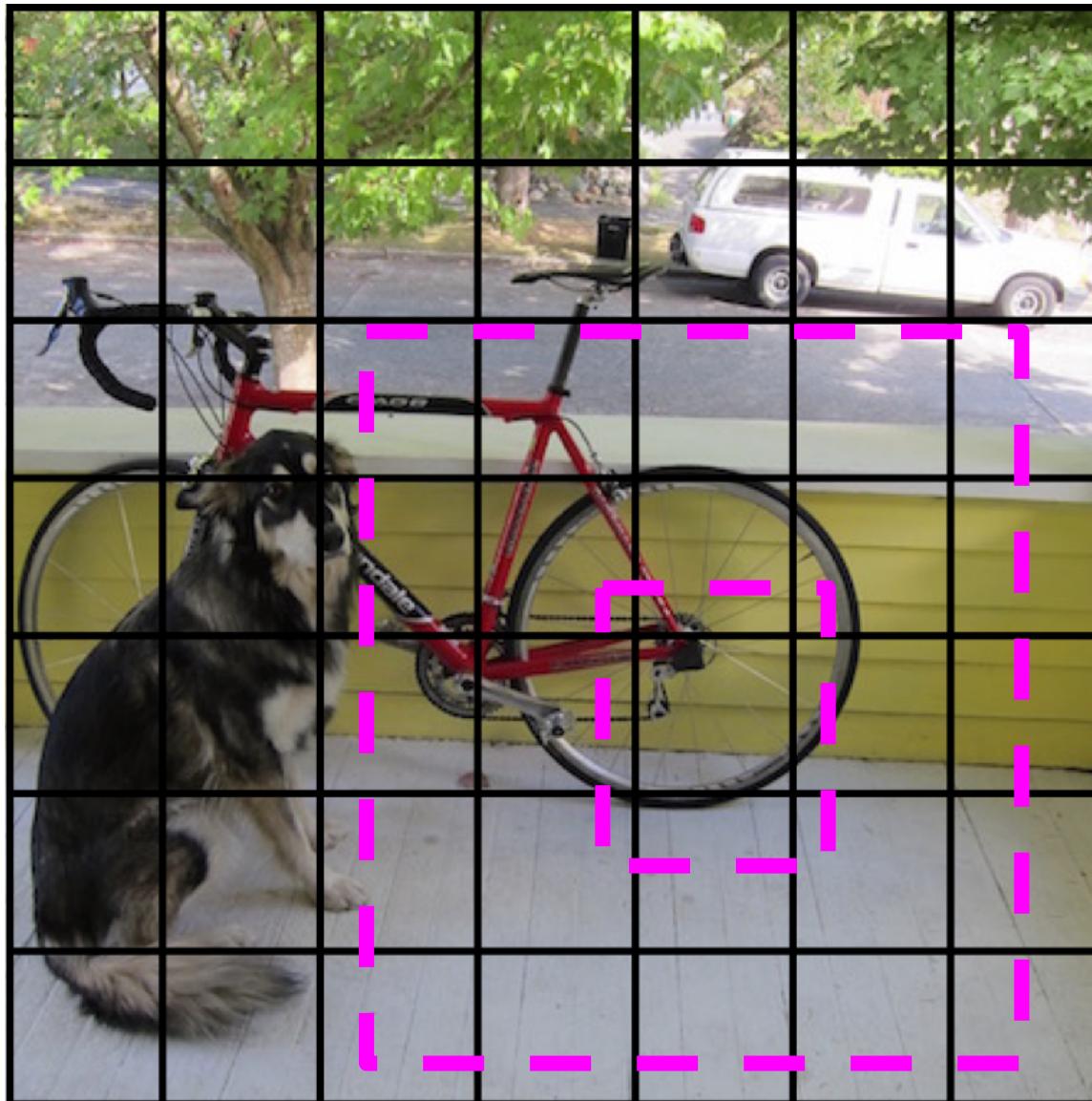
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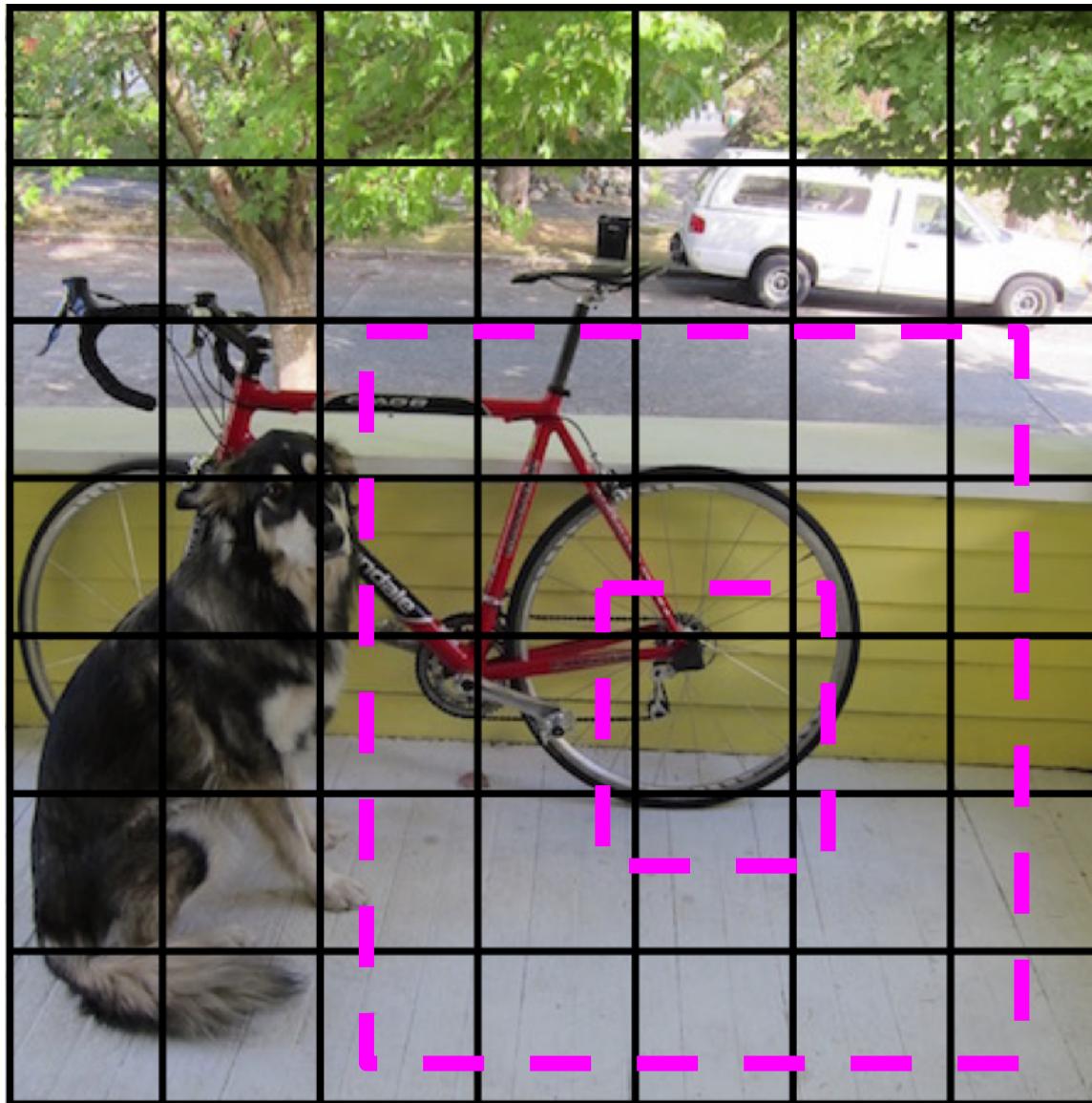
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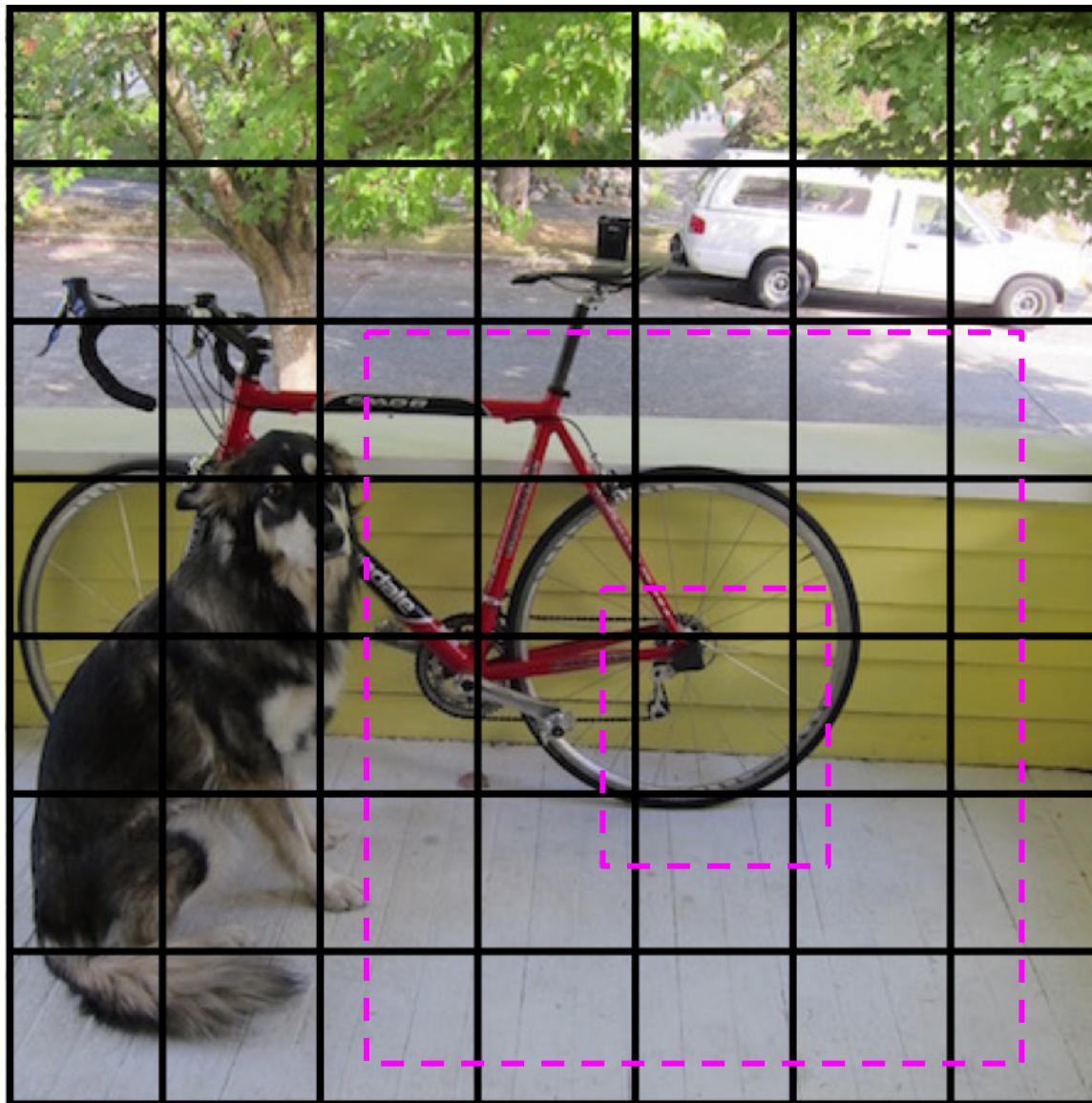
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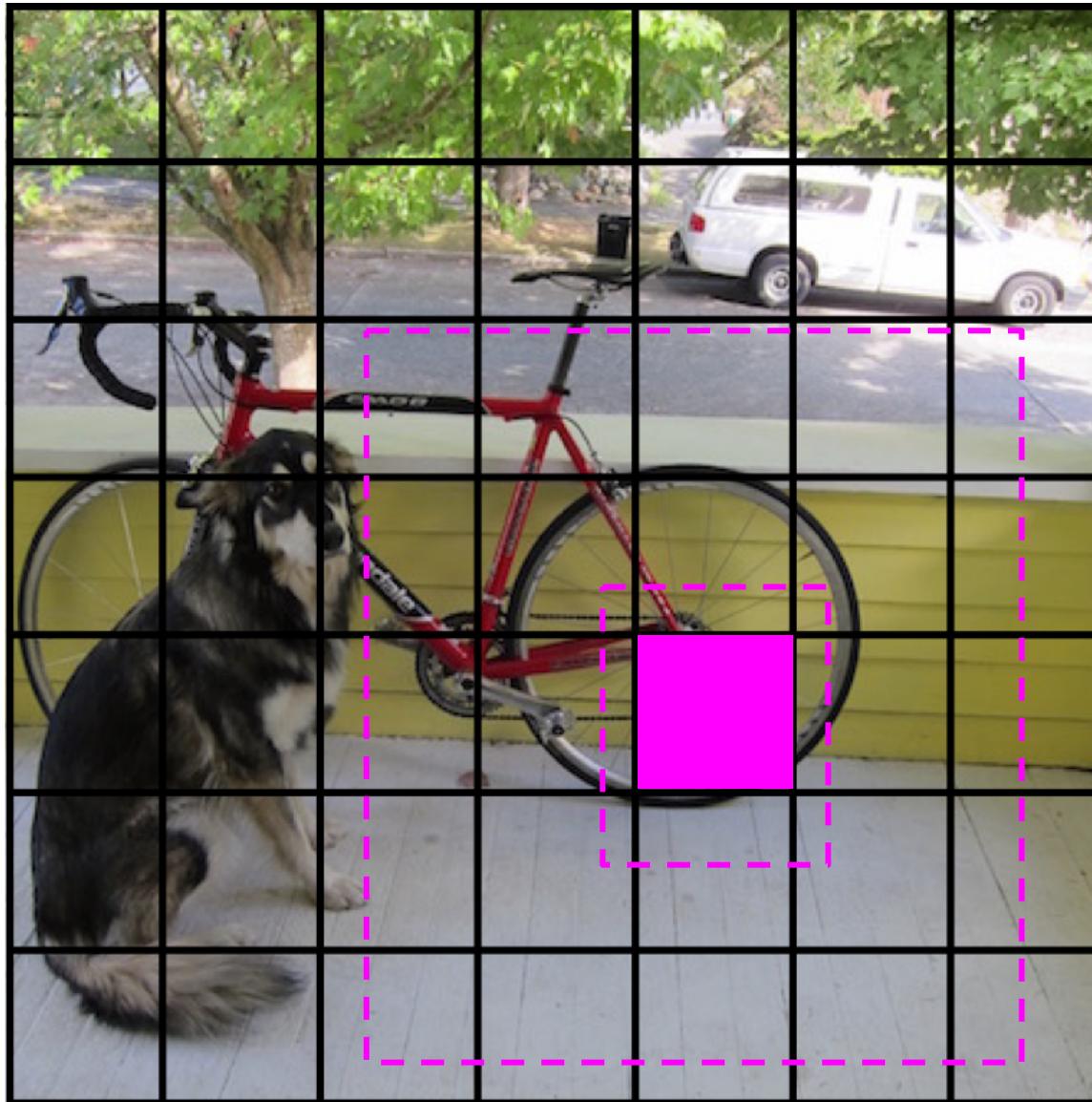
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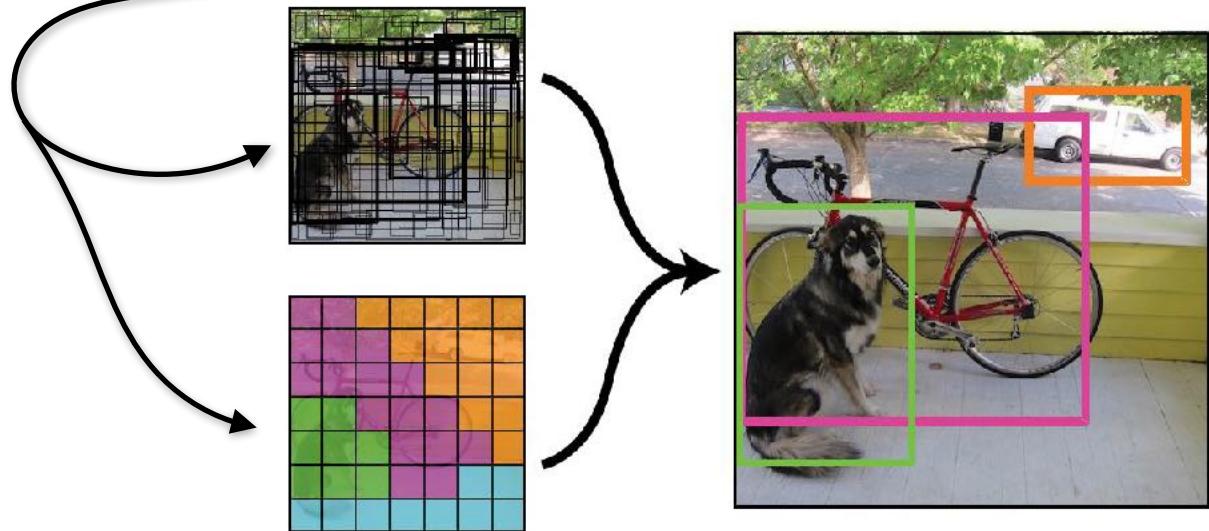
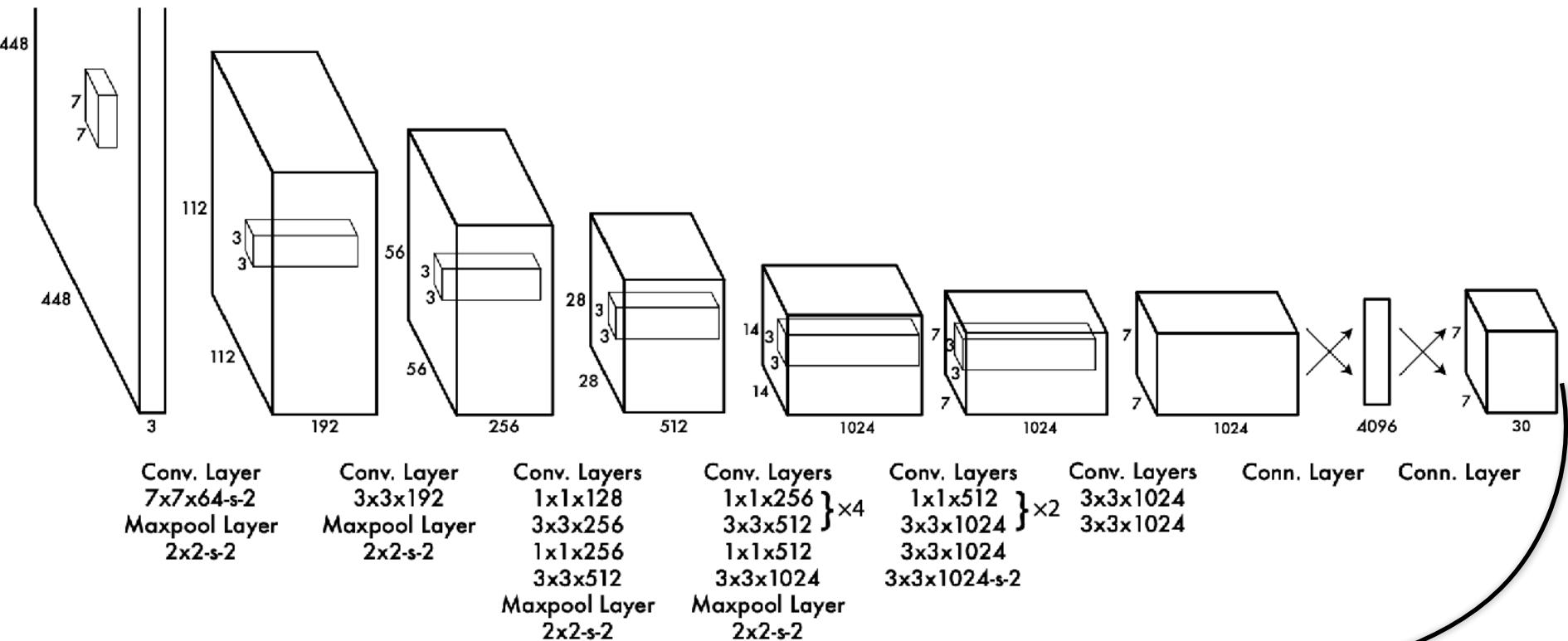


## Decrease the confidence of these boxes



## Don't adjust the class probabilities or coordinates





# Training YOLO

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$$\lambda_{\text{coord}} \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \sum_{j=0}^B \mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{obj}} \left[ (x_i - \hat{x}_i)^2 + (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \right]$$

if i-th cell contain object and  
j-th box has max IoU

$$+ \lambda_{\text{coord}} \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \sum_{j=0}^B \mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{obj}} \left[ \left( \sqrt{w_i} - \sqrt{\hat{w}_i} \right)^2 + \left( \sqrt{h_i} - \sqrt{\hat{h}_i} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$+ \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \sum_{j=0}^B \mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{obj}} \left( C_i - \hat{C}_i \right)^2$$

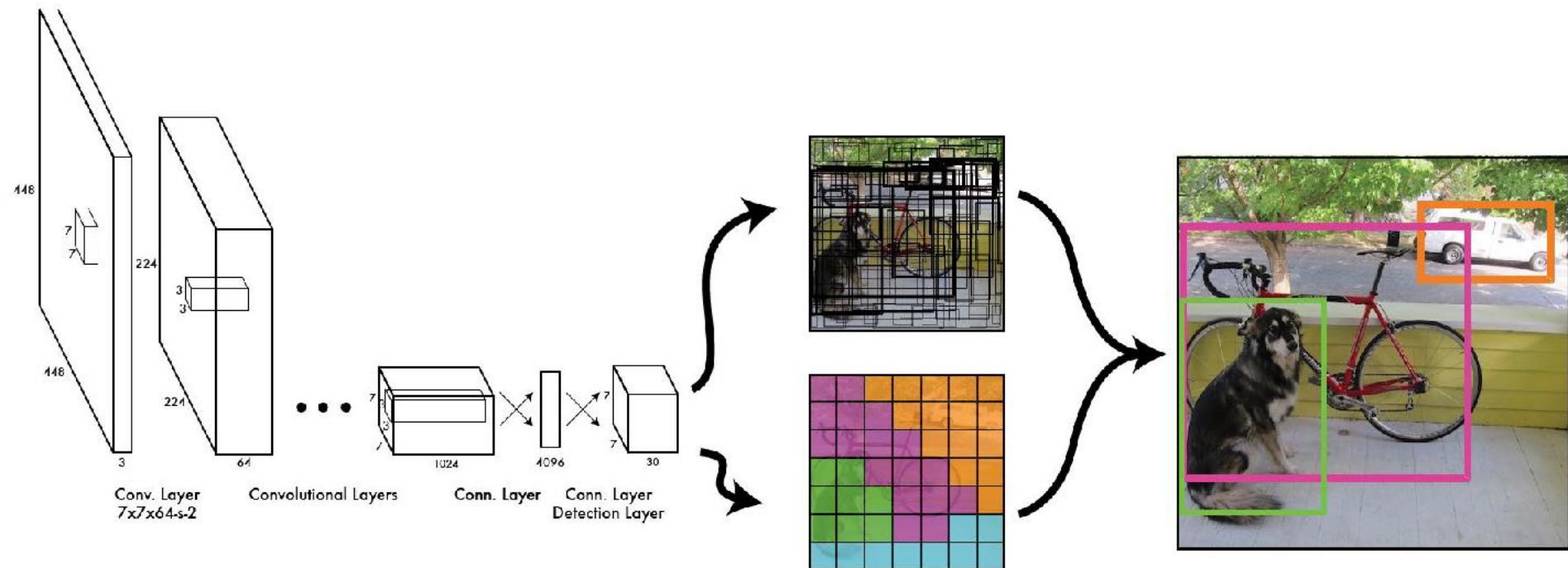
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$$+ \lambda_{\text{noobj}} \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \sum_{j=0}^B \mathbb{1}_{ij}^{\text{noobj}} \left( C_i - \hat{C}_i \right)^2$$

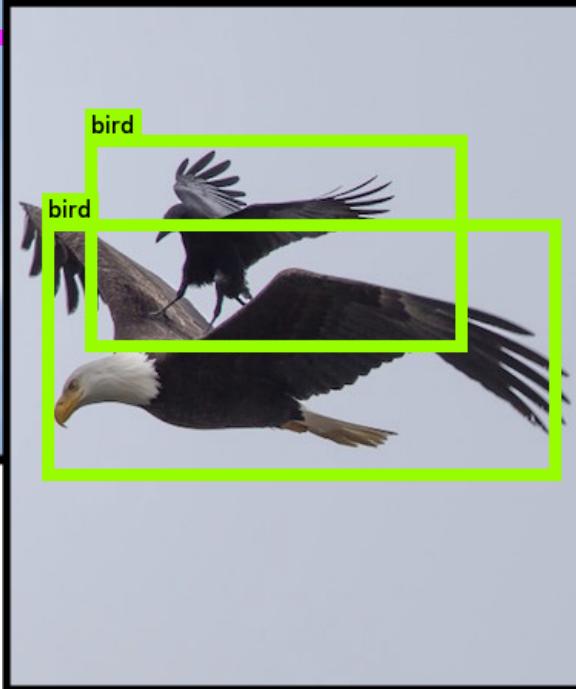
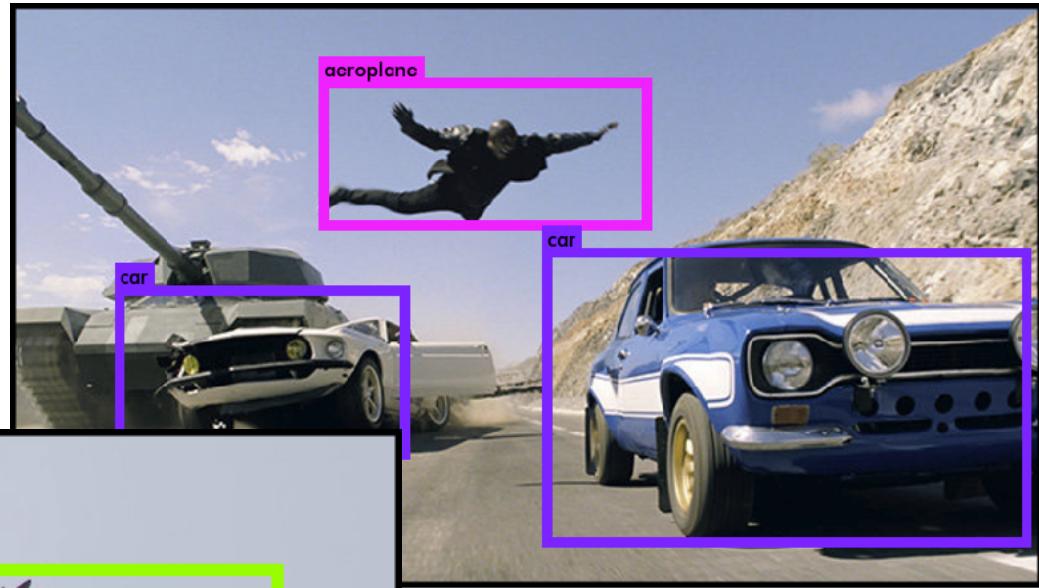
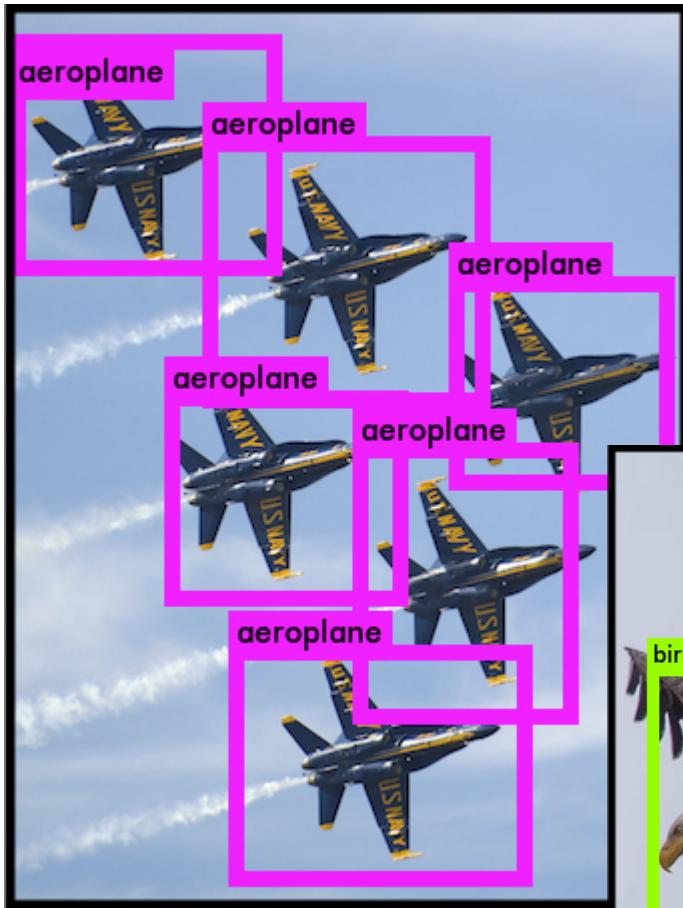
$$+ \sum_{i=0}^{S^2} \mathbb{1}_i^{\text{obj}} \sum_{c \in \text{classes}} (p_i(c) - \hat{p}_i(c))^2$$

# Other tricks

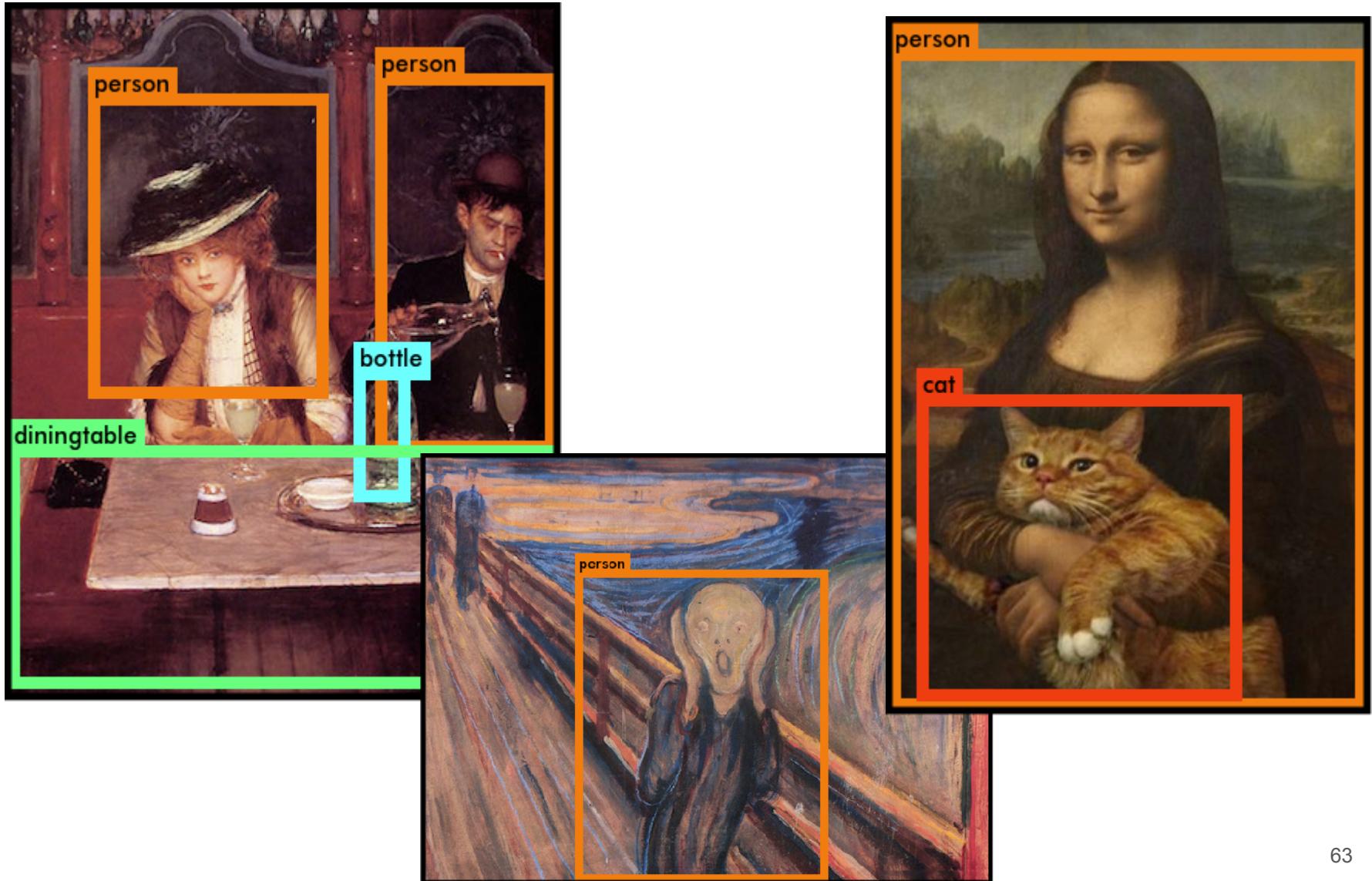
- Pretraining on Imagenet
- SGD with decreasing learning rate
- Extensive data augmentation



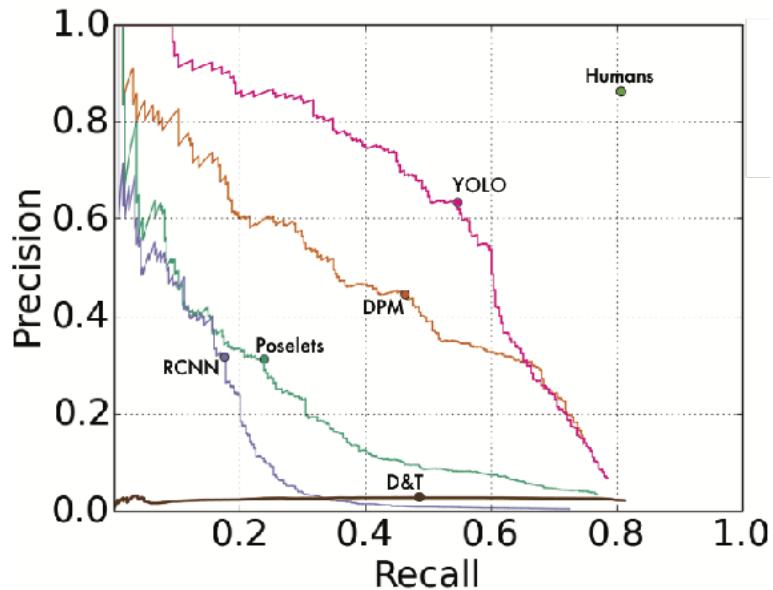
# YOLO works across a variety of natural images



It also generalizes well to new domains (like art)



# YOLO outperforms methods like DPM and R-CNN when generalizing to person detection in artwork



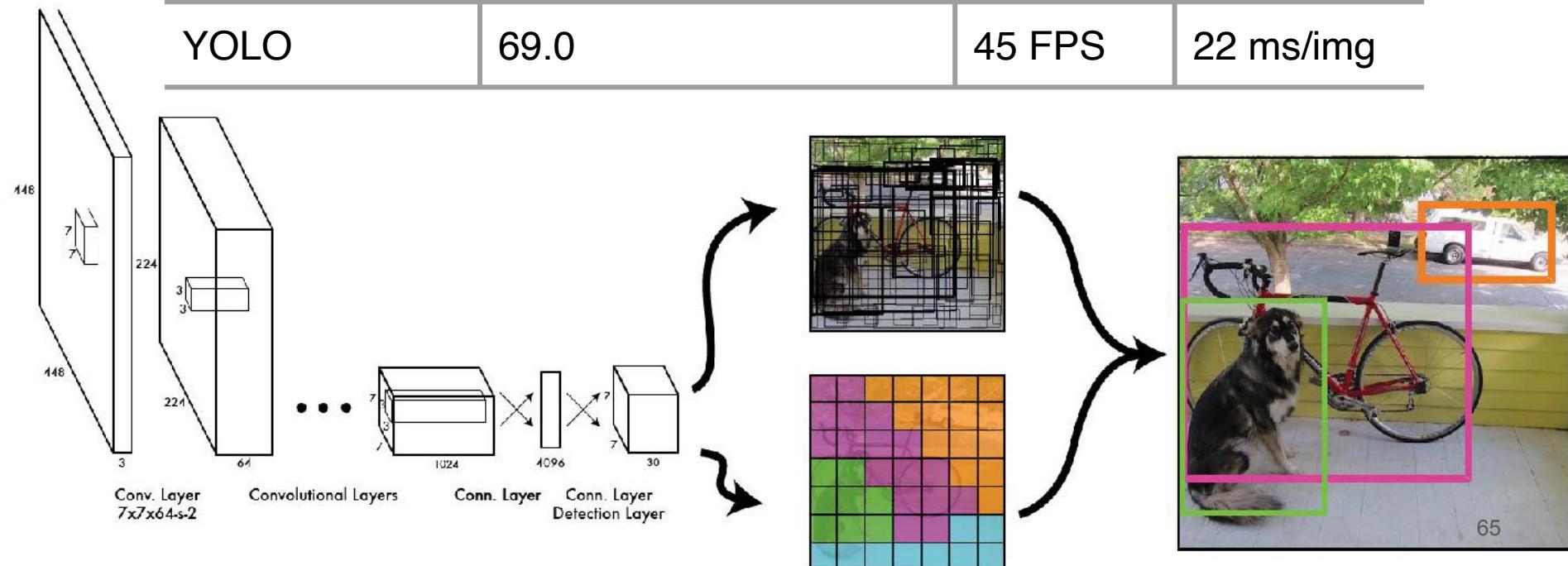
	VOC 2007 AP	Picasso		People-Art AP
	AP	AP	Best $F_1$	AP
<b>YOLO</b>	<b>59.2</b>	53.3	<b>0.590</b>	45
R-CNN	54.2	10.4	0.226	26
DPM	43.2	37.8	0.458	32

S. Ginosar, D. Haas, T. Brown, and J. Malik. Detecting people in cubist art. In Computer Vision-ECCV 2014 Workshops, pages 101–116. Springer, 2014.

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# Results: Performance vs Speed

	Pascal 2007 mAP	Speed
DPM v5	33.7	.07 FPS 14 s/img
R-CNN	66.0	.05 FPS 20 s/img
Fast R-CNN	70.0	.5 FPS 2 s/img
Faster R-CNN	73.2	7 FPS 140 ms/img
YOLO	69.0	45 FPS 22 ms/img



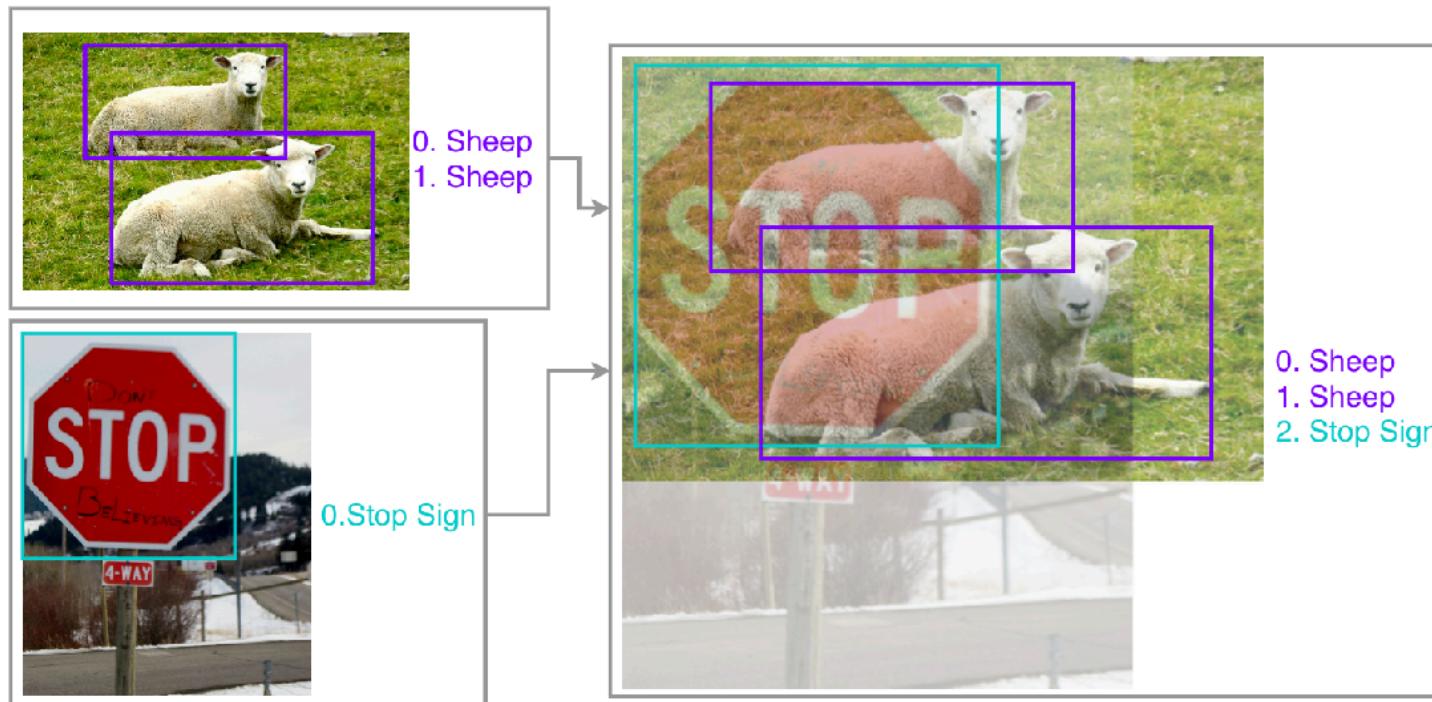
# YOLO Series

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- YOLO
- YOLOv2 improves the detection of small objects in groups and the localization accuracy.
  - and adding batch norm
- YOLOv3,
  - 106 layer resnet
  - multi-scale detection (three scales)
- YOLOv4, ...

# Additional Tricks: Mixup

- Apply to object detection as well



# Results for YOLOv3

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Incremental Tricks	mAP	$\Delta$	Cumu $\Delta$
- data augmentation	64.26	-15.99	-15.99
baseline	80.25	0	0
+ synchronize BN	80.81	+0.56	+0.56
+ random training shapes	81.23	+0.42	+0.98
+ cosine lr schedule	81.69	+0.46	+1.44
+ class label smoothing	82.14	+0.45	+1.89
+ mixup	<b>83.68</b>	<b>+1.54</b>	<b>+3.43</b>

Zhi et al, *Bag of Freebies for Training Object Detection Neural Networks*

# Summary

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- Object Detection
  - RCNN
  - YOLO: single pipeline model (e2e) for object detection

# TA evaluation form

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<https://forms.gle/QWgfehMBDasvRozu7>

# Next Up

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- Recurrent neural networks