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Segmentation



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# Segmentation

## Segmentation



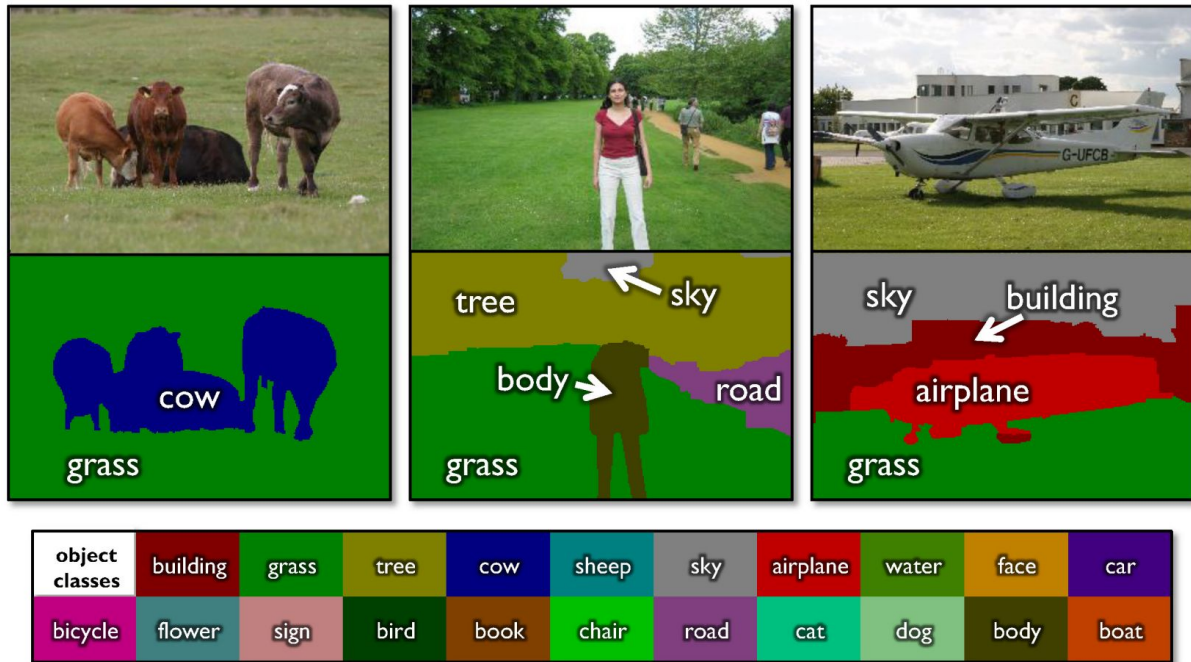
Define the accurate boundaries of all objects in an image

# Semantic Segmentation

Label every pixel!

Don't differentiate instances (cows)

Classic computer vision problem

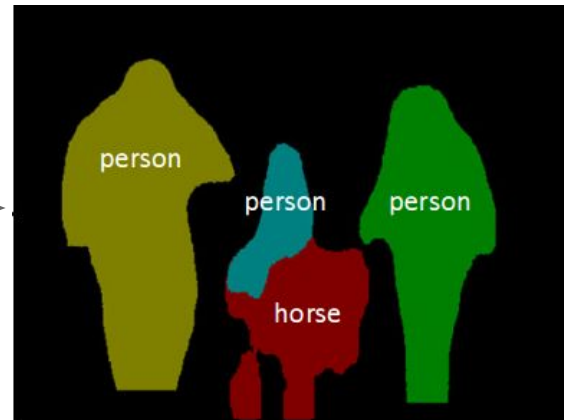


# Instance Segmentation

Detect instances,  
give category, label  
pixels

“simultaneous  
detection and  
segmentation” (SDS)

Label are  
class-aware and  
instance-aware



# Outline

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# Segmentation: Datasets

## Pascal Visual Object Classes



- 20 categories
- +10,000 images
- Semantic segmentation GT
- Instance segmentation GT

## Pascal Context



- Real indoor & outdoor scenes
- 540 categories
- +10,000 images
- Dense annotations
- Semantic segmentation GT
- Objects + stuff

# Segmentation: Datasets

## ADE20K



- Real general scenes
- +150 categories
- +22,000 images
- Semantic segmentation GT
- Instance + parts segmentation GT
- Objects and stuff

## COCO Common Objects in Context



- Real indoor & outdoor scenes
- 80 categories
- +300,000 images
- 2M instances
- Partial annotations
- Semantic segmentation GT
- Instance segmentation GT
- Objects, but no stuff



# Segmentation: Datasets

## CityScapes



- Real driving scenes
- 30 categories
- +25,000 images
- 20,000 partial annotations
- 5,000 dense annotations
- Semantic segmentation GT
- Instance segmentation GT
- Depth, GPS and other metadata
- Objects and stuff

## Mapillary Vistas Dataset



- Real driving scenes
- 100 categories
- 25,000 images
- Semantic segmentation GT
- Instance + parts segmentation GT
- Objects and stuff

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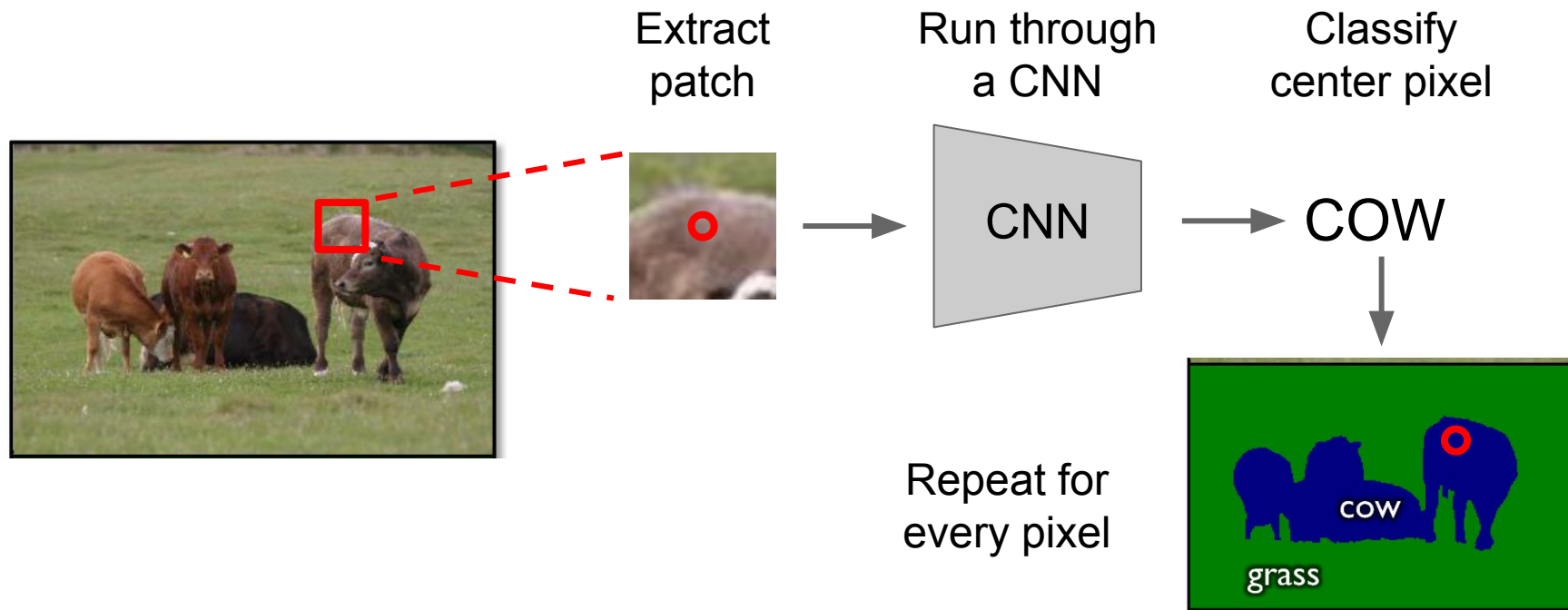
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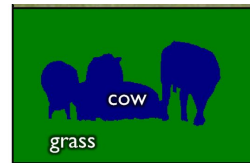
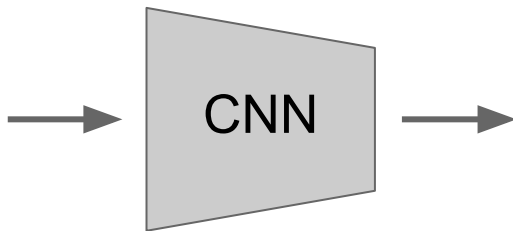
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# From Classification to Segmentation

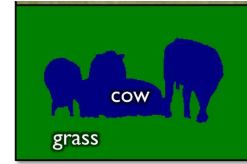
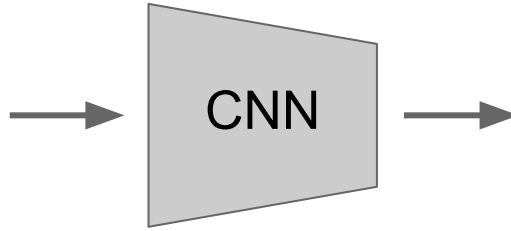


# From Classification to Segmentation

Run “fully convolutional” network  
to get all pixels at once



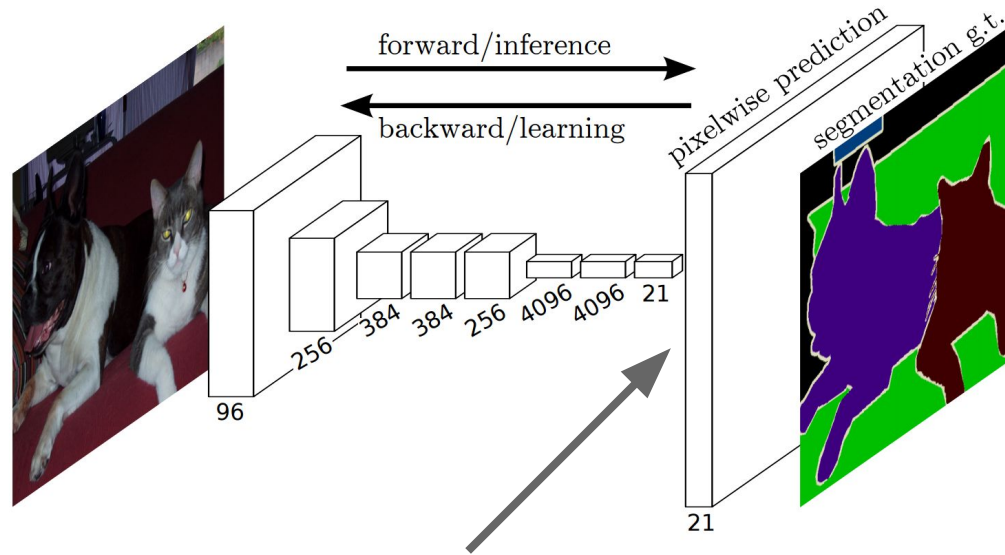
# Semantic Segmentation



Problem 1:

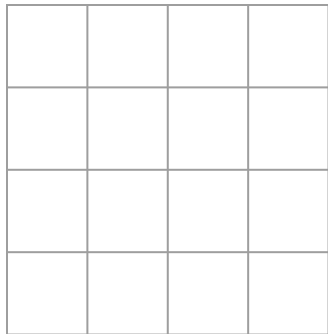
Smaller output  
due to pooling

# Learnable upsampling

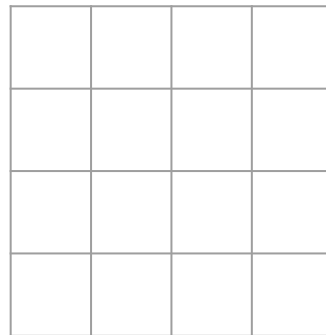


# Reminder: Convolutional Layer

Typical 3 x 3 convolution, stride 1 pad 1



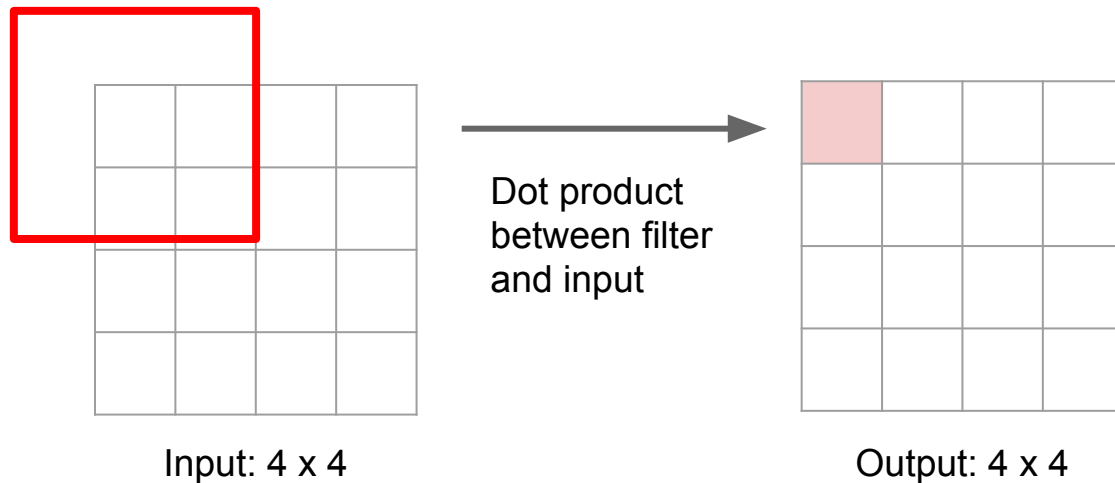
Input: 4 x 4



Output: 4 x 4

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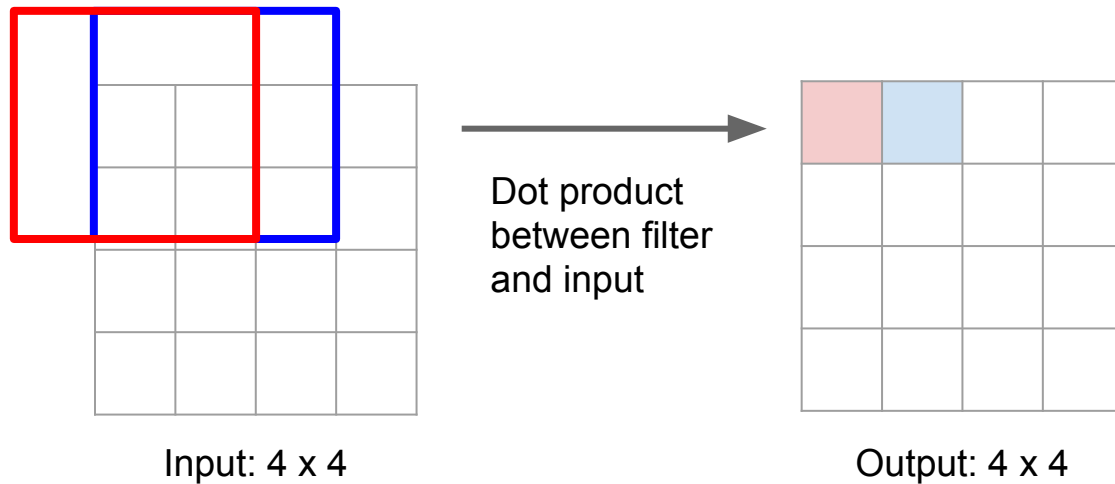
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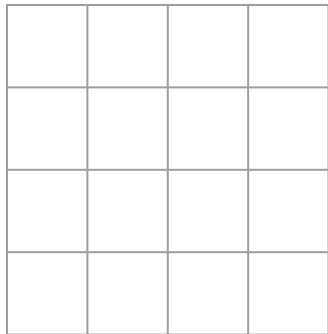
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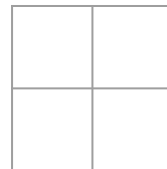


# Reminder: Convolutional Layer

Typical 3 x 3 convolution, **stride 2** pad 1



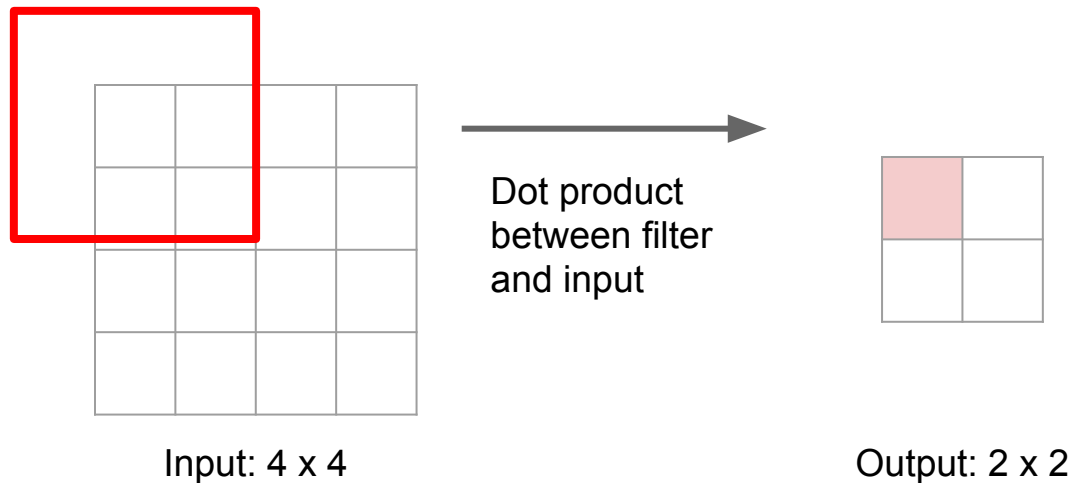
Input: 4 x 4



Output: 2 x 2

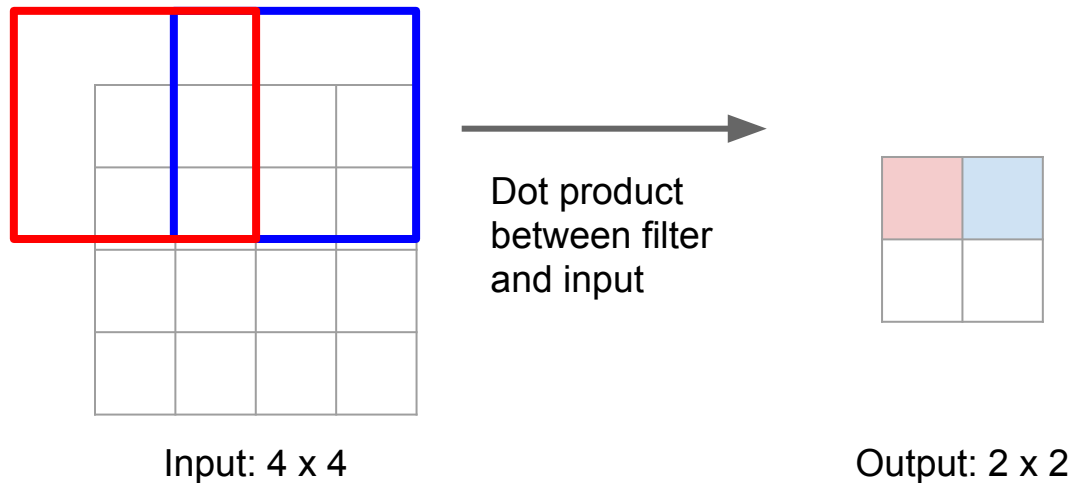
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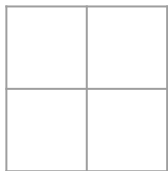
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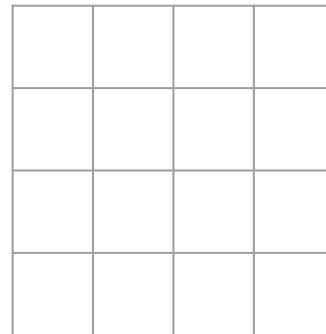


# Learnable Upsample: Transposed Convolution

3 x 3 “deconvolution”, stride 2 pad 1



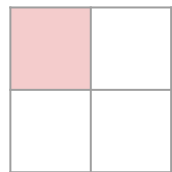
Input: 2 x 2



Output: 4 x 4

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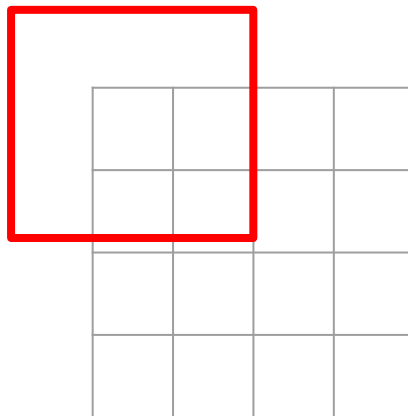
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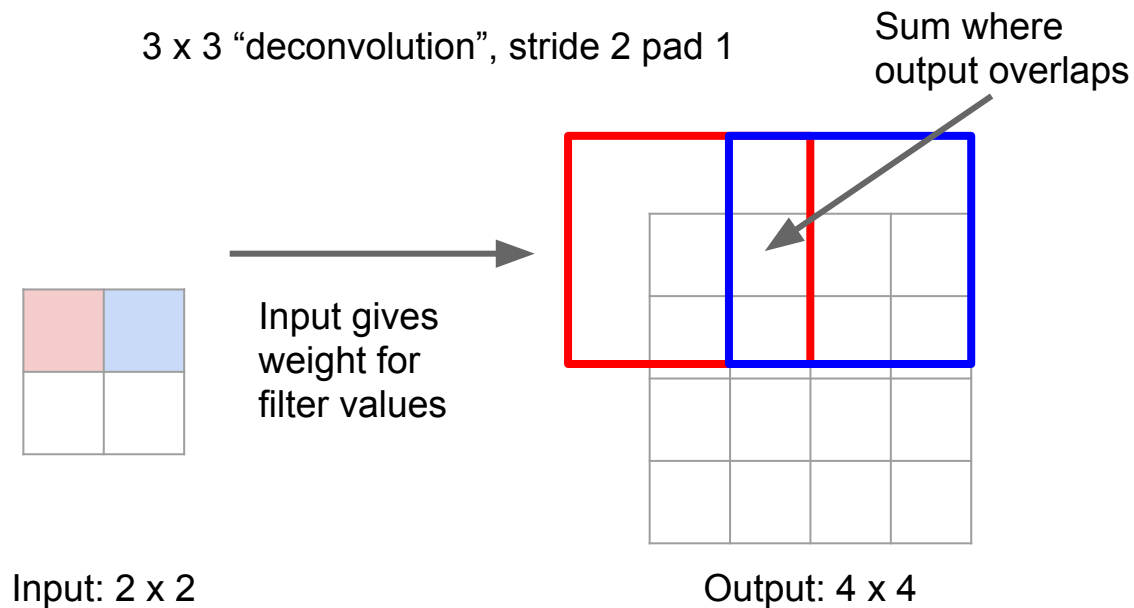


Input gives  
weight for  
filter values



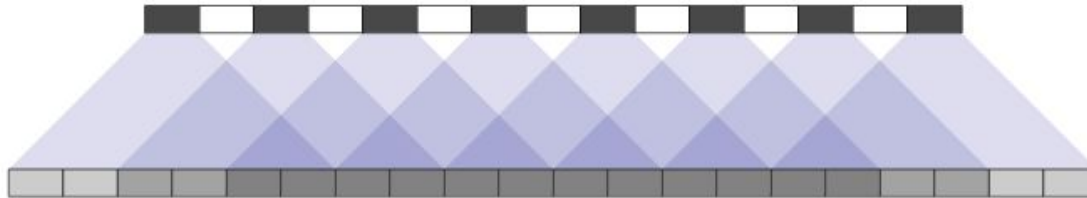
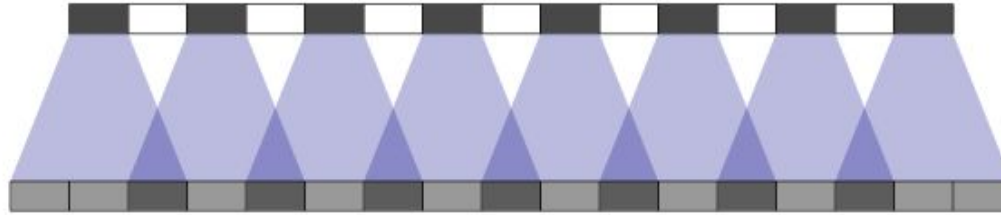
Output: 4 x 4

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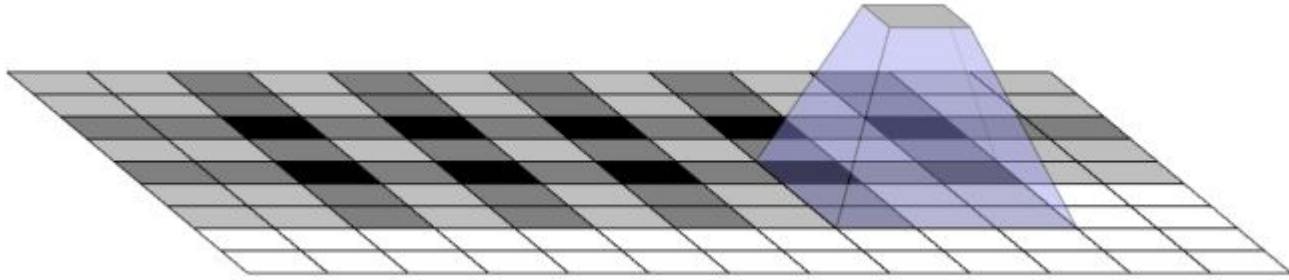
Warning: Checkerboard effect when kernel size is not divisible by the stride





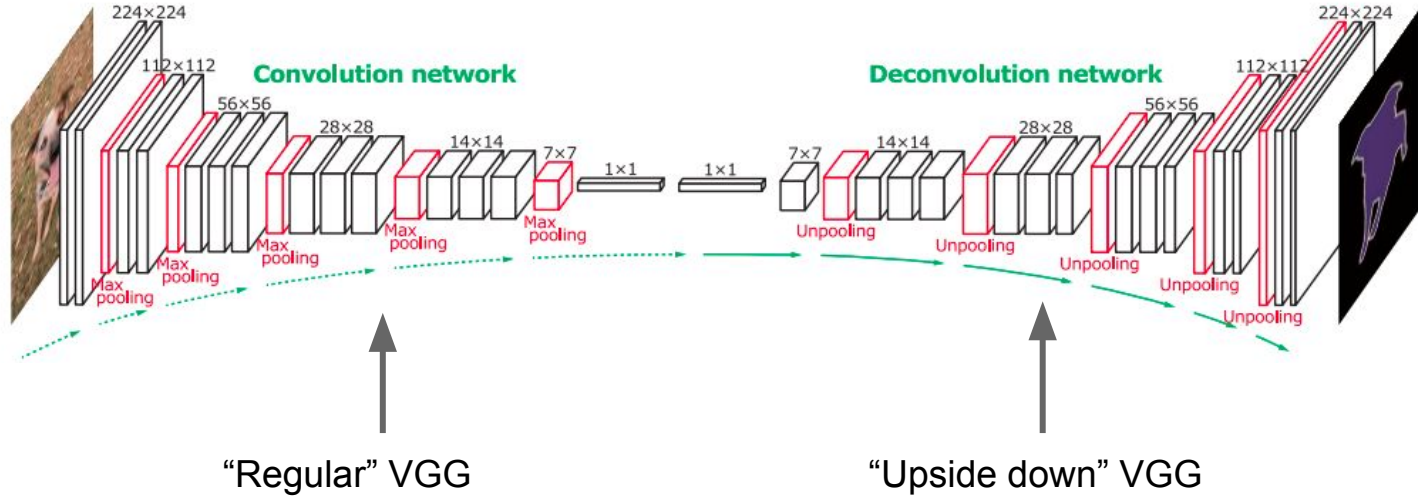
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stride = 2, kernel\_size = 3

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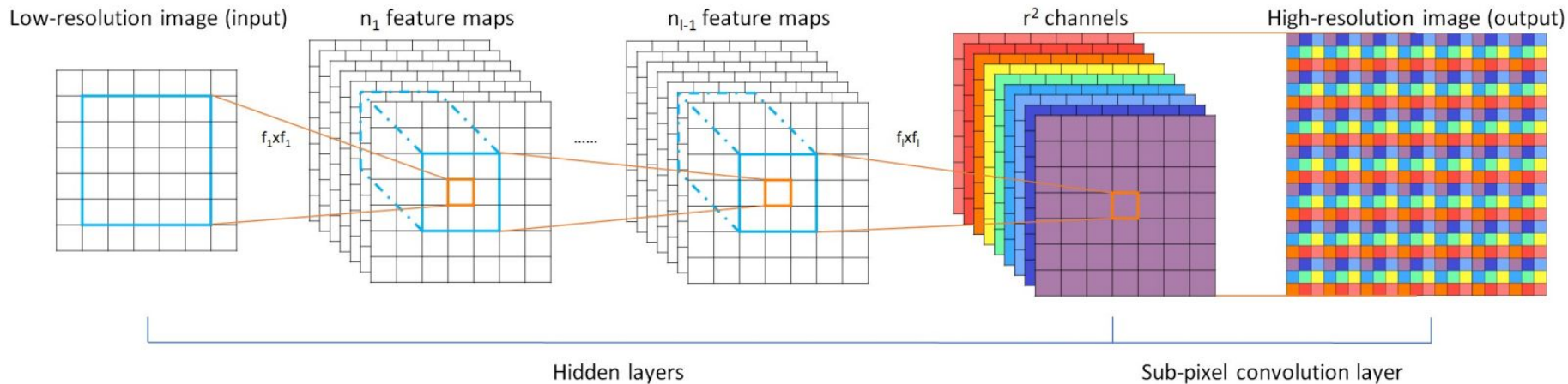


Noh et al. [Learning Deconvolution Network for Semantic Segmentation](#). ICCV 2015

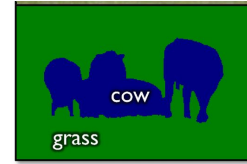
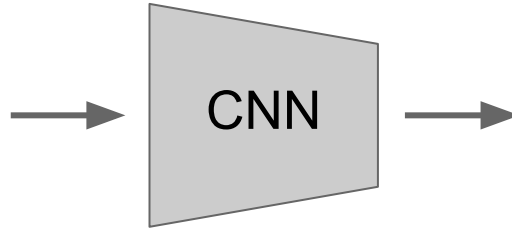
Slide Credit: [CS231n](#)

# Alternative to Transposed Convolution: Subpixel

Rearrange features in previous convolutional layer to form a higher resolution output



# Semantic Segmentation



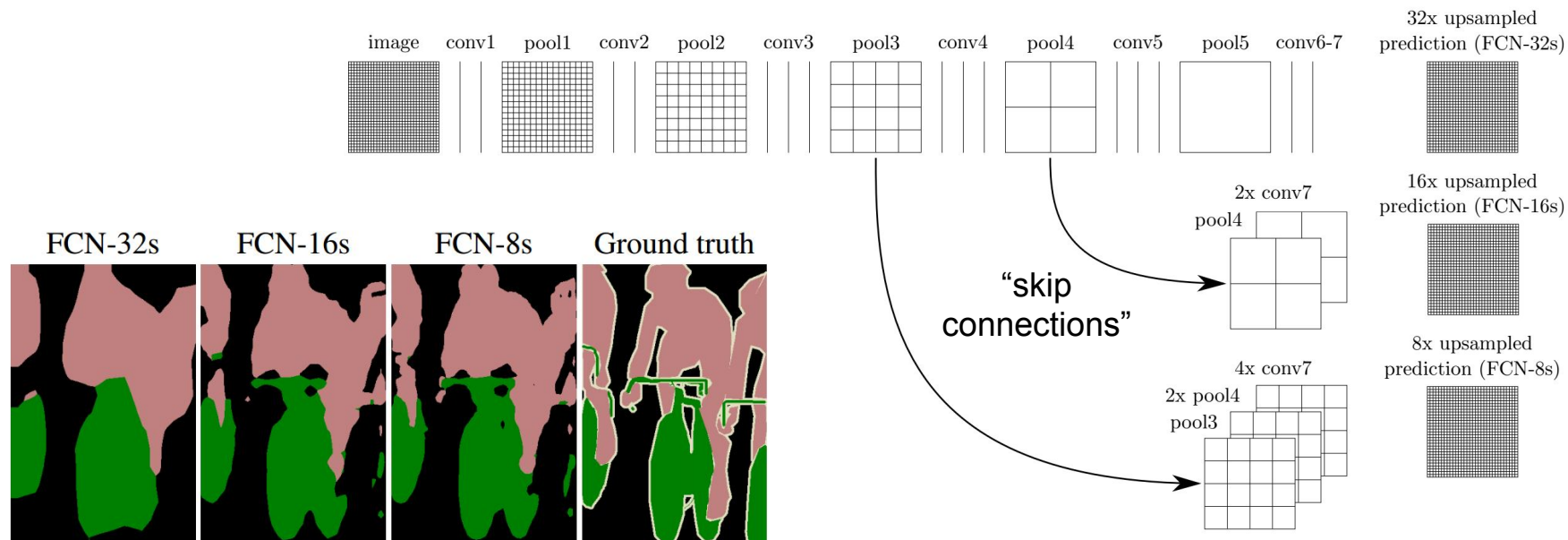
Problem 2:

Coarse output

High-level features (e.g. conv5 layer) from a pretrained classification network are the input for the segmentation branch

# Skip Connections

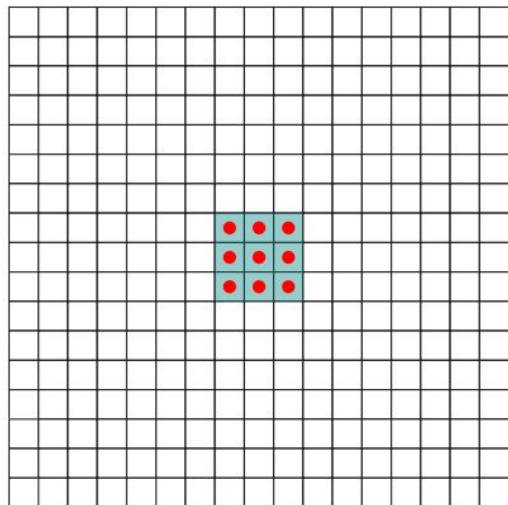
Recovering low level features from early layers



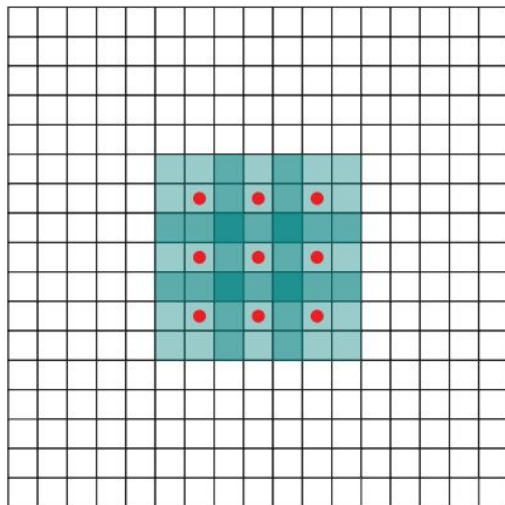
Skip connections = Better results

# Dilated Convolutions

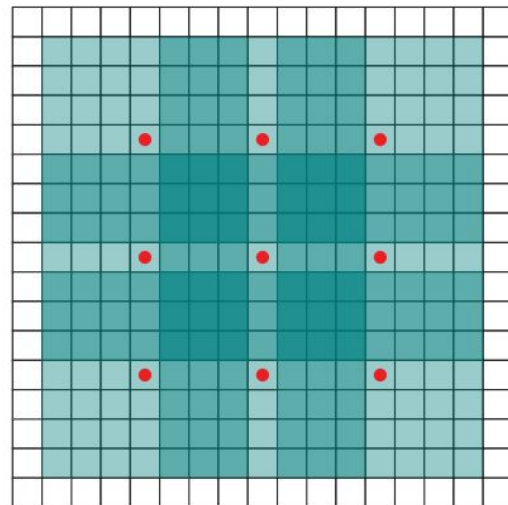
Structural change in convolutional layers for dense prediction problems (e.g. image segmentation)



(a)



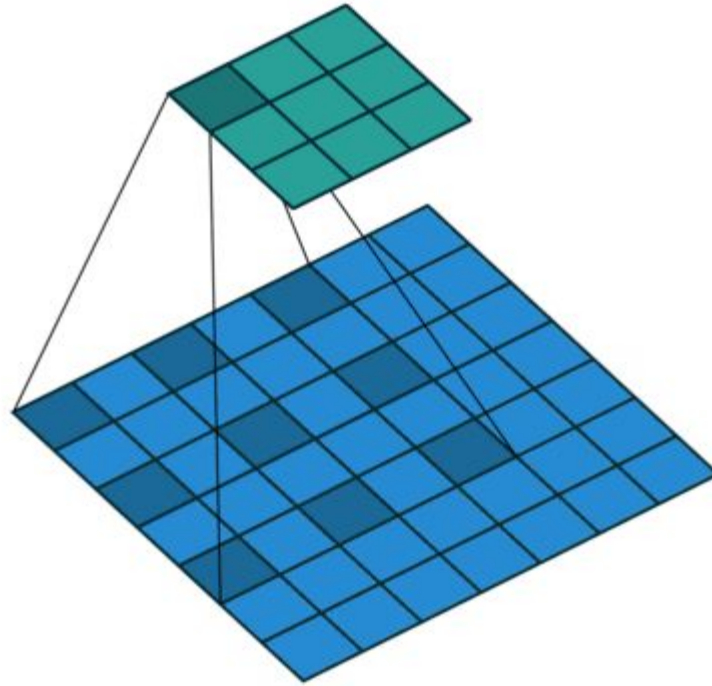
(b)



(c)

- The receptive field grows exponentially as you add more layers → more context information in deeper layers wrt regular convolutions
- Number of parameters increases linearly as you add more layers

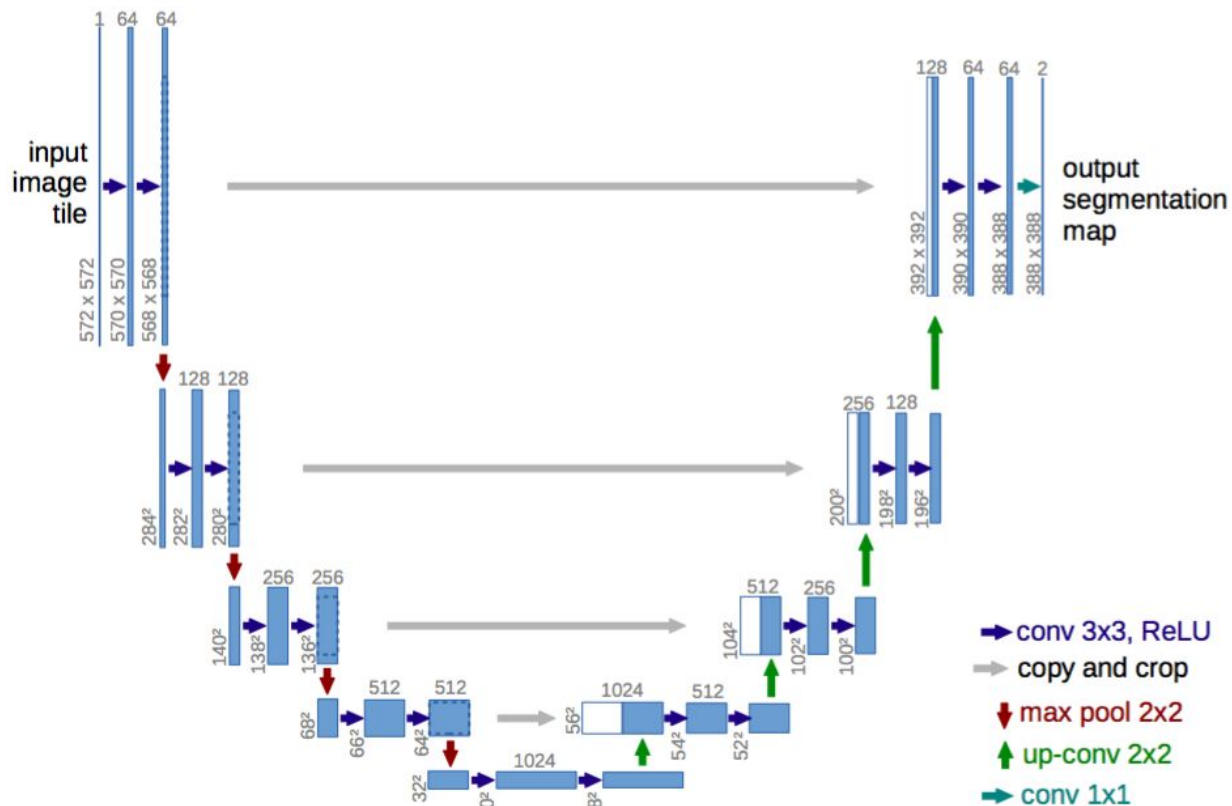
# Dilated Convolutions



Source: [https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv\\_arithmetic](https://github.com/vdumoulin/conv_arithmetic)

# State-of-the-art models

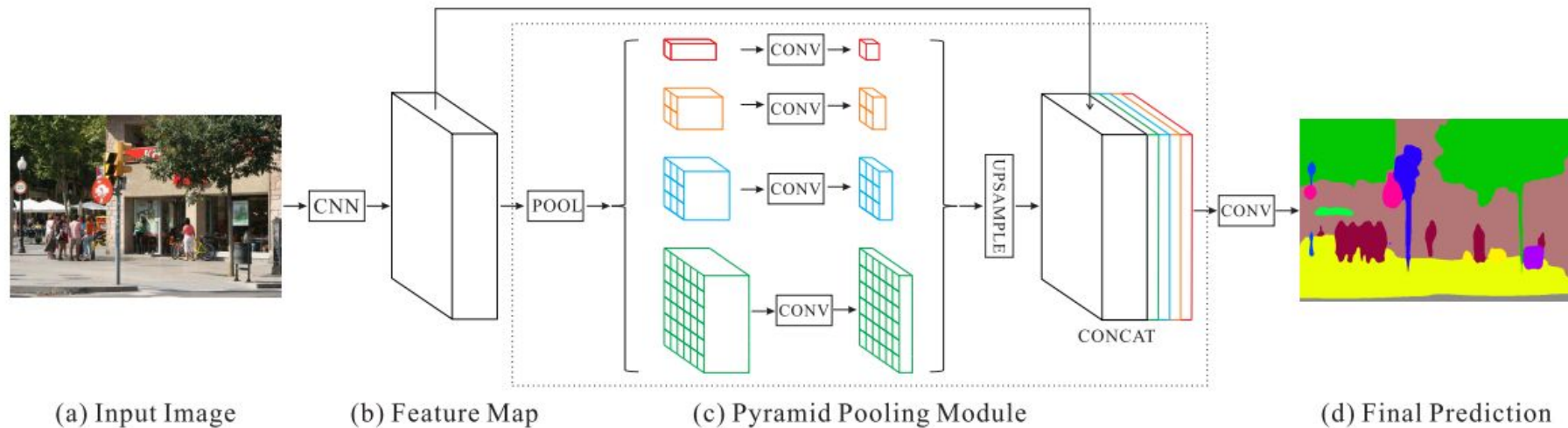
- U-Net
  - Deconvolutions
  - skip connections





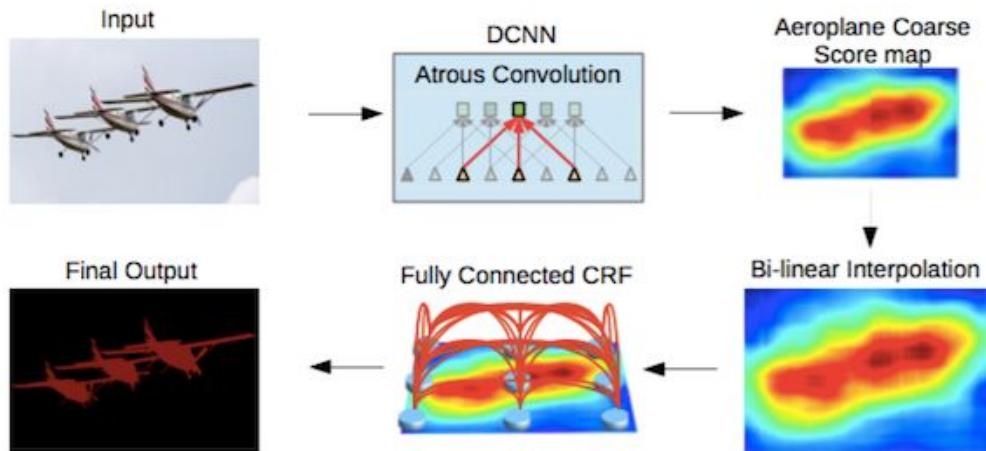
# State-of-the-art models

- PSPNet (dilated convolutions + pyramid pooling)



# State-of-the-art models

- DeepLab v2 (dilated convolutions + CRF)



- DeepLab v3 (added pyramid pooling. Removed CRF)

Chen et al. [DeepLab: Semantic Image Segmentation with Deep Convolutional Nets, Atrous Convolution, and Fully Connected CRFs](#). TPAMI 2017

Chen et al. [Rethinking Atrous Convolution for Semantic Image Segmentation](#). TPAMI 2017

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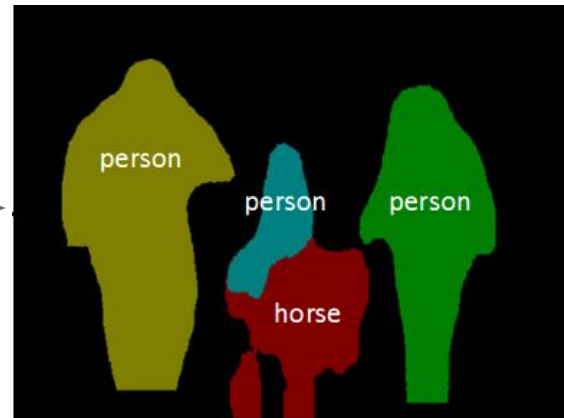
## **Instance Segmentation Methods**

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# Instance Segmentation

Detect instances,  
give category, label  
pixels

“simultaneous  
detection and  
segmentation” (SDS)



# Instance Segmentation

## More challenging than Semantic Segmentation

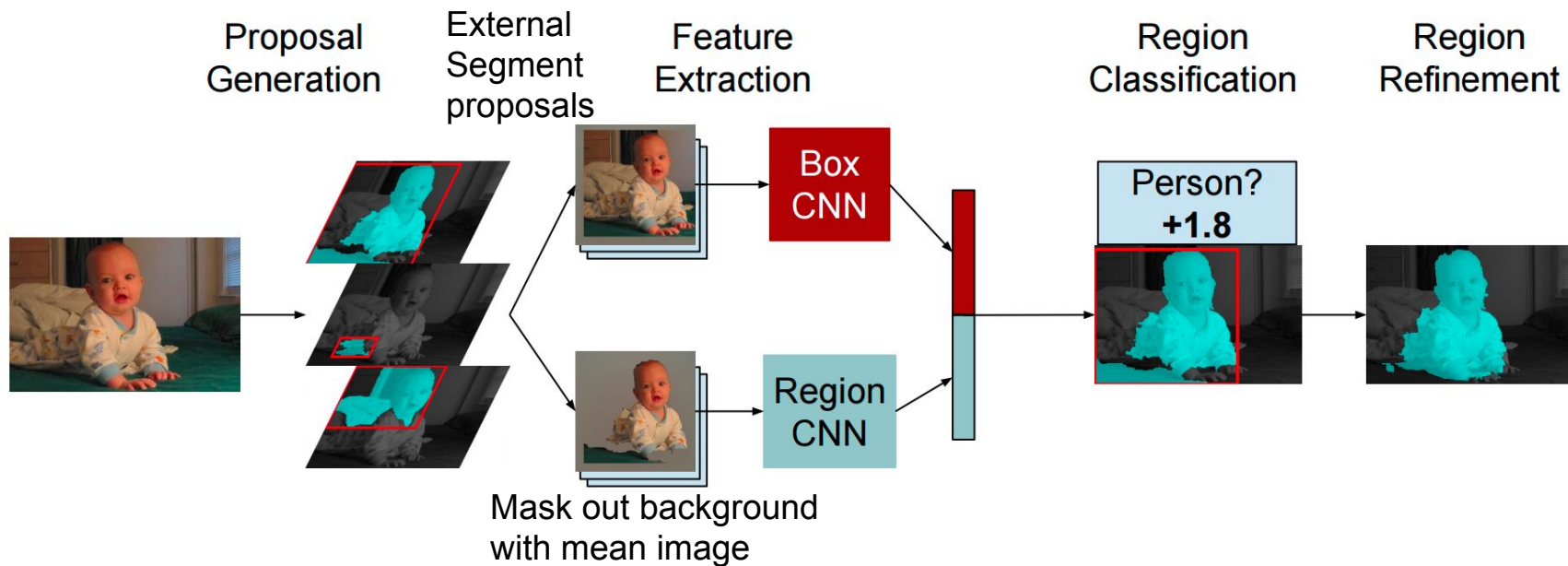
- Number of objects is variable
- No unique match between predicted and ground truth objects (cannot use instance IDs)

## Several attack lines:

- Proposal-based methods
- Recurrent Neural Networks
- Metric Learning

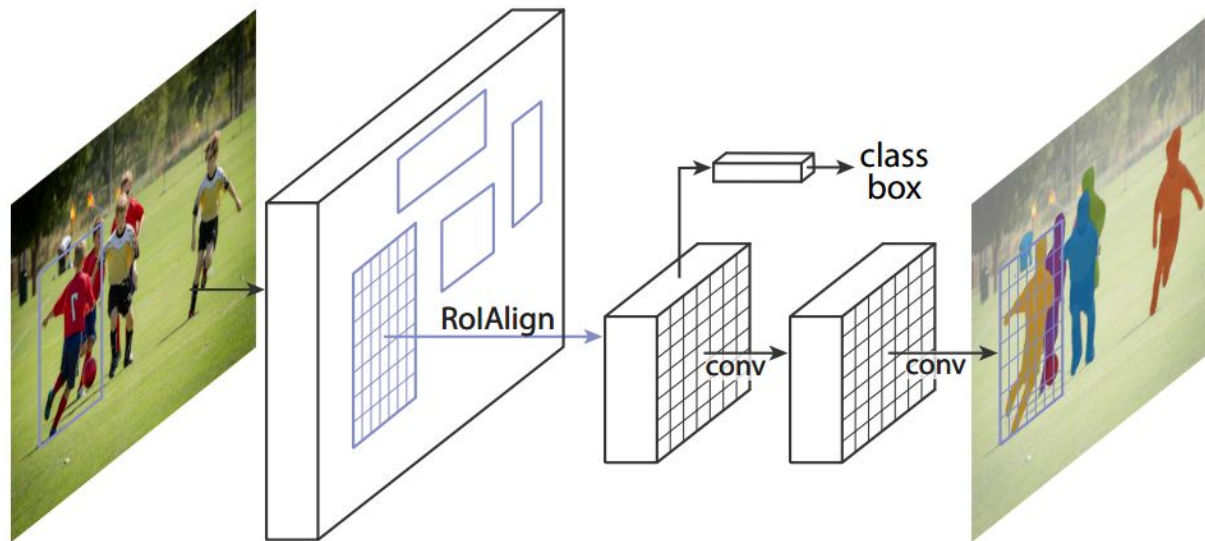
# Proposal-based

Similar to R-CNN, but with segment proposals



# Proposal-based Instance Segmentation: Mask R-CNN

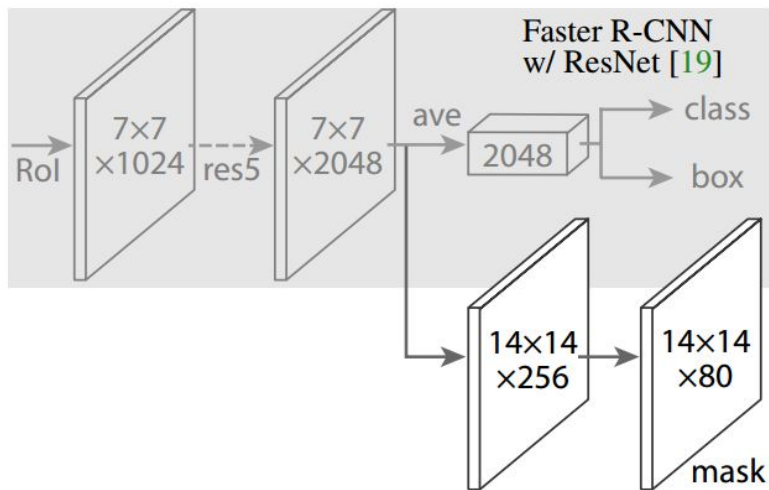
Faster R-CNN for Pixel Level Segmentation as a **parallel prediction of masks and class labels**



# Mask R-CNN

- Classification & box detection losses are identical to those in Faster R-CNN
- Addition of a new loss term for mask prediction:

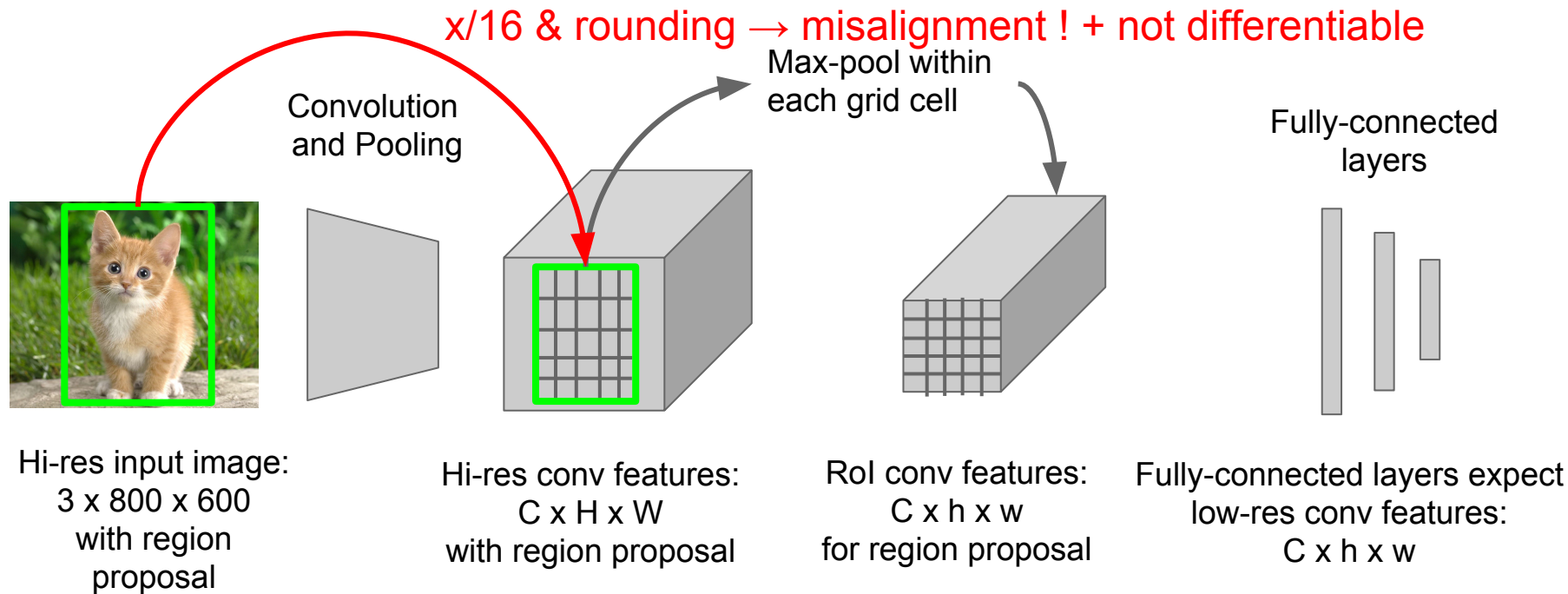
The network outputs a  $K \times m \times m$  volume for mask prediction, where  $K$  is the number of categories and  $m$  is the size of the mask (square)





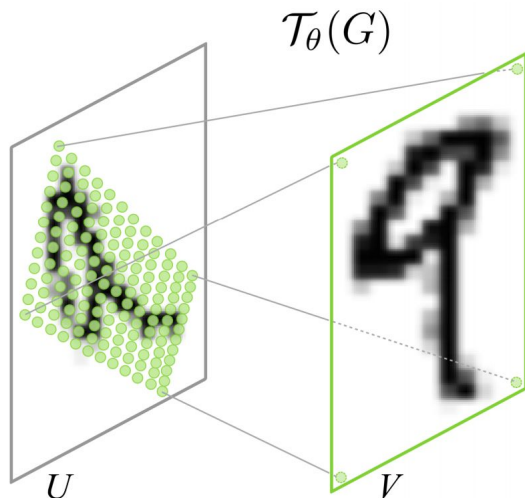
# Mask R-CNN: RoI Align

## Reminder: RoI Pool from Fast R-CNN



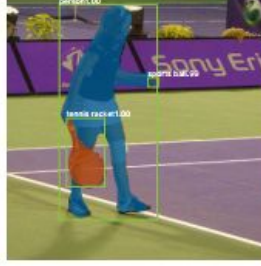
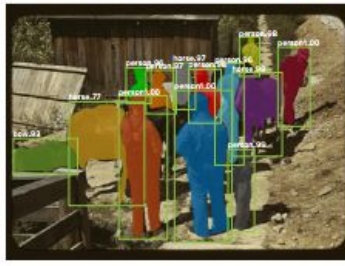
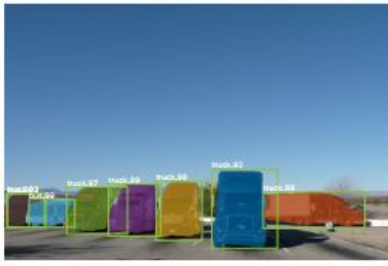
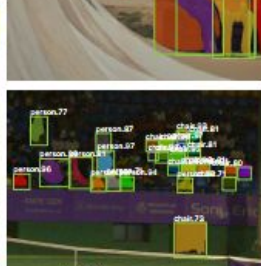
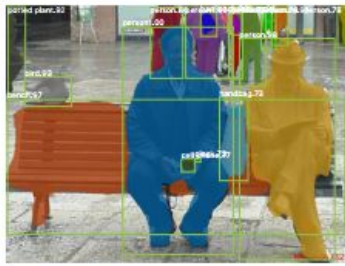
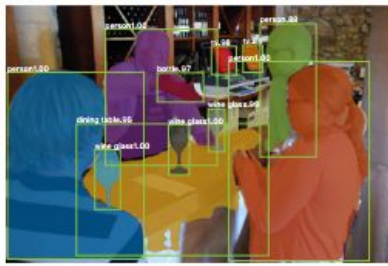
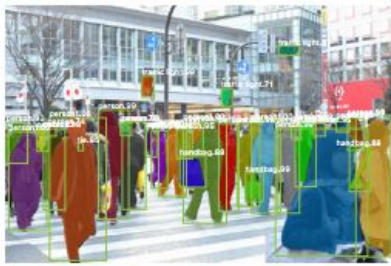
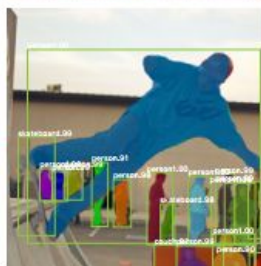
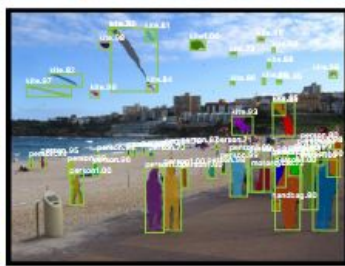
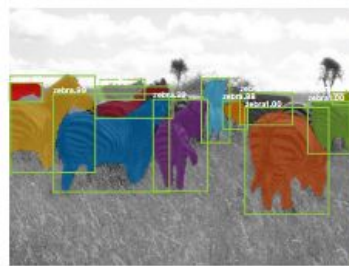
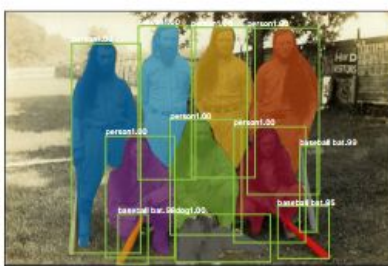
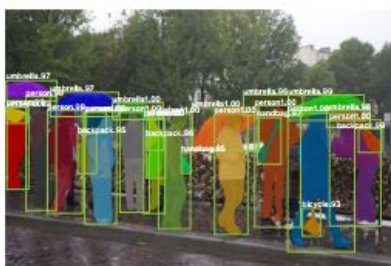
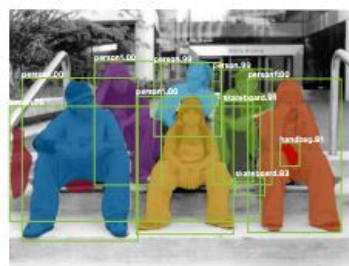
# Mask R-CNN: RoI Align

Use bilinear interpolation instead of cropping + maxpool



Mapping given by box coordinates  
( $\theta_{12}$  and  $\theta_{21} = 0$  translation + scale)

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_i^s \\ y_i^s \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \theta_{11} & \theta_{12} & \theta_{13} \\ \theta_{21} & \theta_{22} & \theta_{23} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x_i^t \\ y_i^t \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

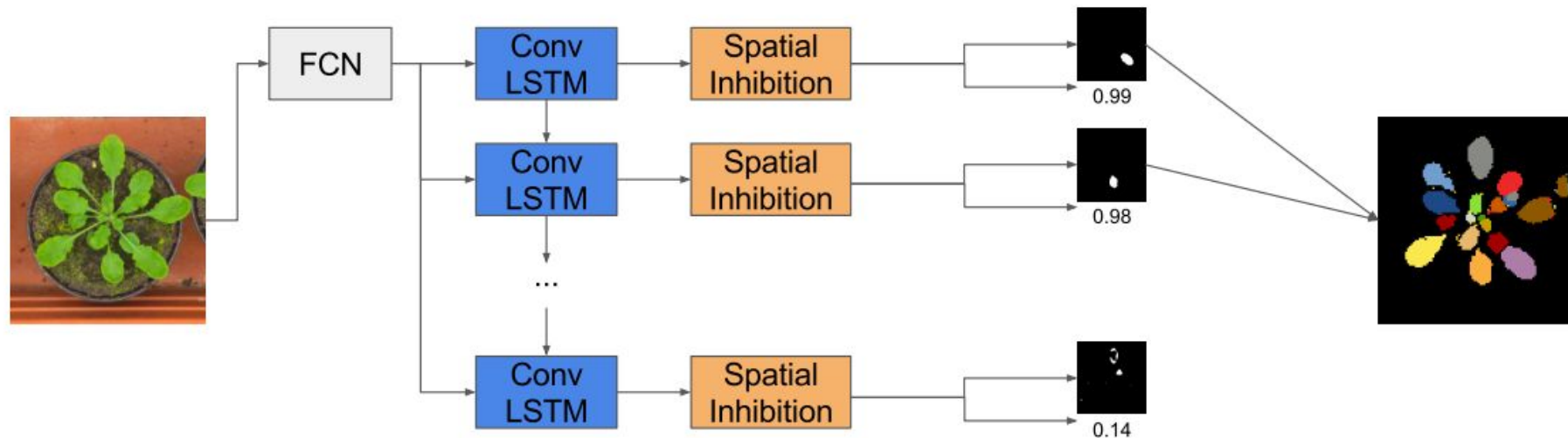


# Limitations of Proposal-based models

1. Two objects might share the same bounding box: Only one will be kept after NMS step.
2. Choice of NMS threshold is application dependant
3. Choice of anchor boxes is application dependant
4. Same pixel can be assigned to multiple instances
5. Number of predictions is limited by the number of proposals.

# Recurrent Instance Segmentation

## Sequential mask generation



Romera-Paredes & H.S. Torr. [Recurrent Instance Segmentation](#) ECCV 2016

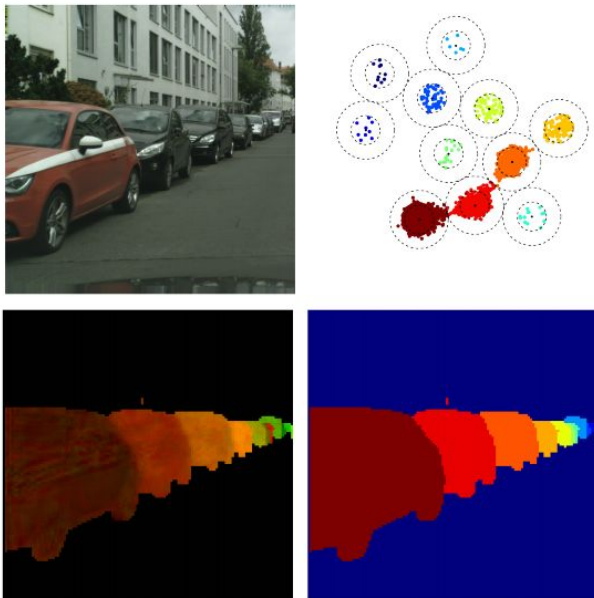


# Recurrent Instance Segmentation



# Metric Learning

Mapping pixels to a N-dimensional space where pixels belonging to the same object are close to each other.



	AP	AP0.5	AP100m	AP50m
R-CNN+MCG	4.6	12.9	7.7	10.3
FCN+Depth	8.9	21.1	15.3	16.7
JGD	9.8	23.2	16.8	20.3
InstanceCut	13.0	27.9	22.1	26.1
Boundary-aware	17.4	36.7	29.3	34.0
DWT	19.4	35.3	31.4	36.8
Pixelwise DIN	20.0	38.8	32.6	37.6
Mask R-CNN	26.2	49.9	37.6	40.1
Ours	17.5	35.9	27.8	31.0

Results on Cityscapes

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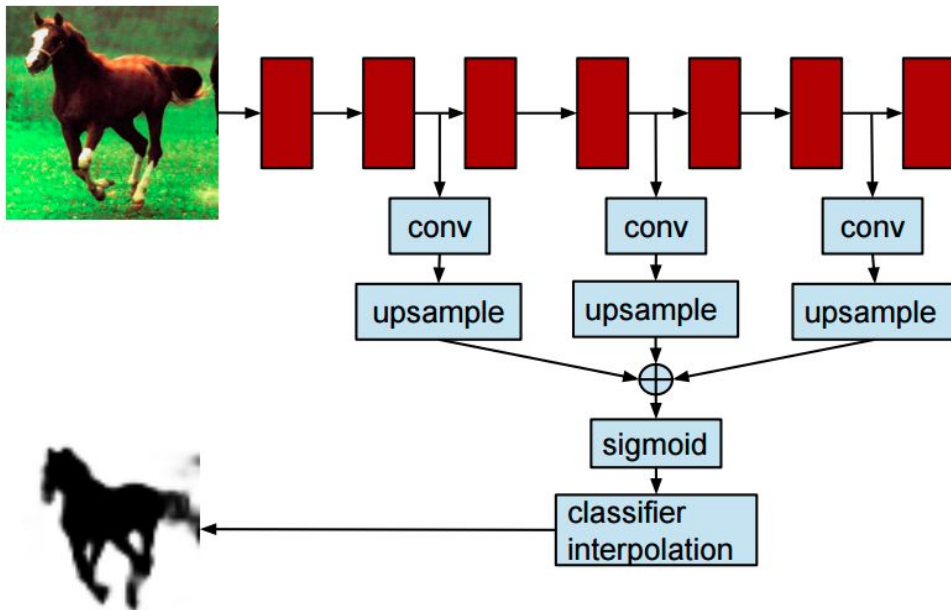


Questions ?

# Proposal-based

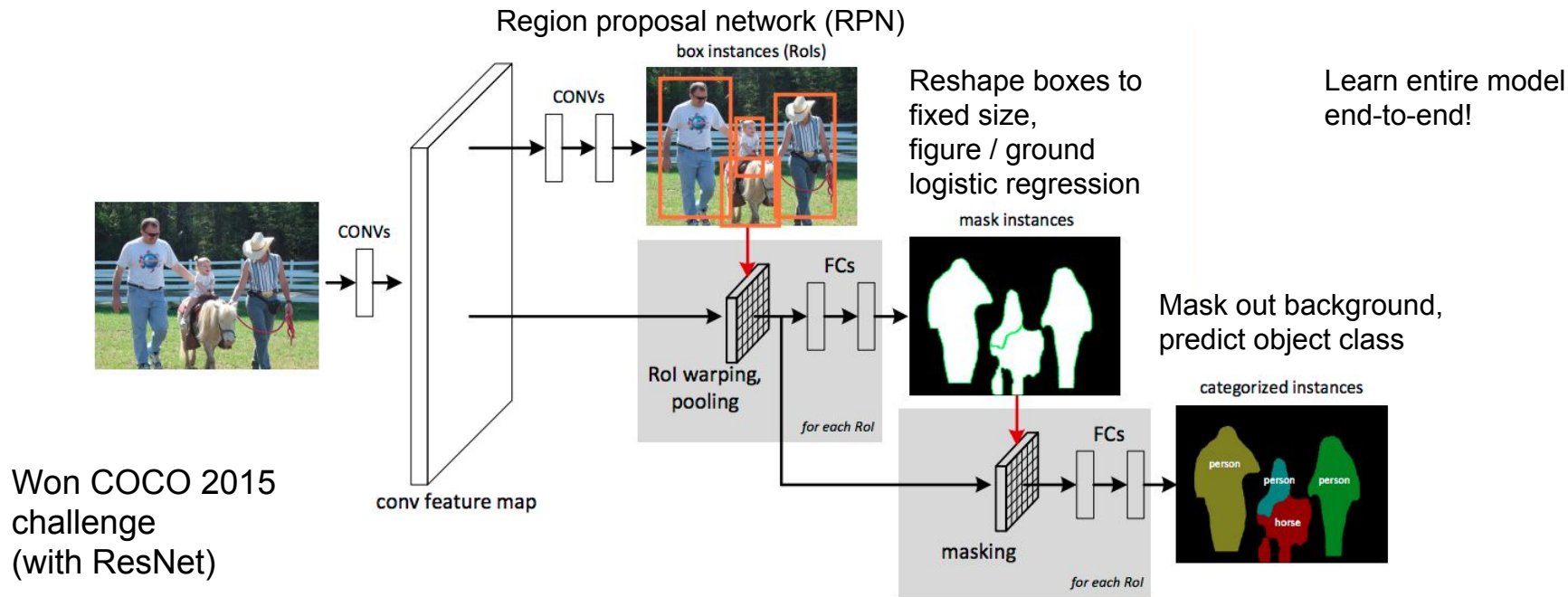
Region  
Classification

Region  
Refinement



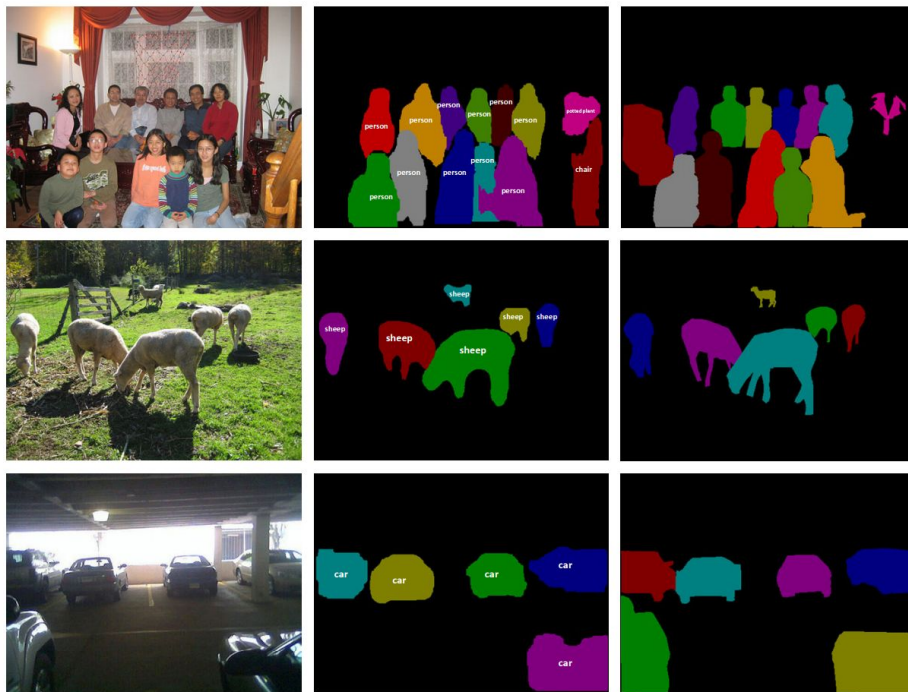
# Proposal-based Instance Segmentation: MNC

Faster R-CNN for Pixel Level Segmentation in a multi-stage cascade strategy



Dai et al. [Instance-aware Semantic Segmentation via Multi-task Network Cascades](#). CVPR 2016

# Proposal-based Instance Segmentation: MNC



**Predictions**

**Ground truth**

# Mask R-CNN

## Instance Segmentation

	backbone	AP	AP <sub>50</sub>	AP <sub>75</sub>	AP <sub>S</sub>	AP <sub>M</sub>	AP <sub>L</sub>
MNC [10]	ResNet-101-C4	24.6	44.3	24.8	4.7	25.9	43.6
FCIS [26] +OHEM	ResNet-101-C5-dilated	29.2	49.5	-	7.1	31.3	50.0
FCIS+++ [26] +OHEM	ResNet-101-C5-dilated	33.6	54.5	-	-	-	-
<b>Mask R-CNN</b>	ResNet-101-C4	33.1	54.9	34.8	12.1	35.6	51.1
<b>Mask R-CNN</b>	ResNet-101-FPN	35.7	58.0	37.8	15.5	38.1	52.4
<b>Mask R-CNN</b>	ResNeXt-101-FPN	<b>37.1</b>	<b>60.0</b>	<b>39.4</b>	<b>16.9</b>	<b>39.9</b>	<b>53.5</b>

## Object Detection

	backbone	AP <sup>bb</sup>	AP <sup>bb</sup> <sub>50</sub>	AP <sup>bb</sup> <sub>75</sub>	AP <sup>bb</sup> <sub>S</sub>	AP <sup>bb</sup> <sub>M</sub>	AP <sup>bb</sup> <sub>L</sub>
Faster R-CNN+++ [19]	ResNet-101-C4	34.9	55.7	37.4	15.6	38.7	50.9
Faster R-CNN w FPN [27]	ResNet-101-FPN	36.2	59.1	39.0	18.2	39.0	48.2
Faster R-CNN by G-RMI [21]	Inception-ResNet-v2 [37]	34.7	55.5	36.7	13.5	38.1	52.0
Faster R-CNN w TDM [36]	Inception-ResNet-v2-TDM	36.8	57.7	39.2	16.2	39.8	<b>52.1</b>
Faster R-CNN, RoIAlign	ResNet-101-FPN	37.3	59.6	40.3	19.8	40.2	48.8
<b>Mask R-CNN</b>	ResNet-101-FPN	38.2	60.3	41.7	20.1	41.1	50.2
<b>Mask R-CNN</b>	ResNeXt-101-FPN	<b>39.8</b>	<b>62.3</b>	<b>43.4</b>	<b>22.1</b>	<b>43.2</b>	51.2