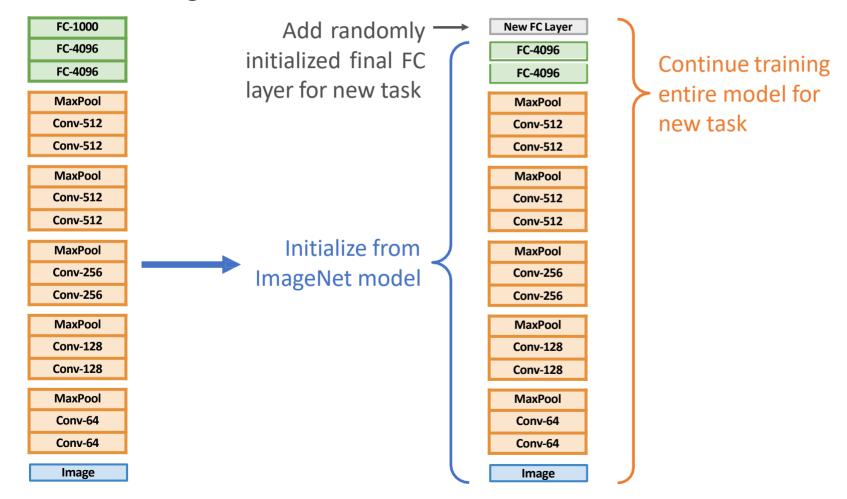
Lecture 15: Object Detectors (II)

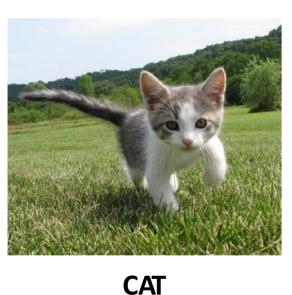
Last Time: Transfer Learning

1. Train on ImageNet



Last Time: Localization Tasks

Classification



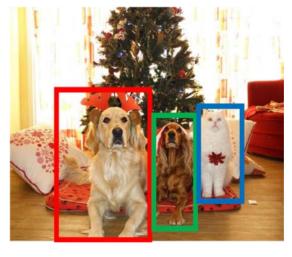
No spatial extent

Semantic Segmentation



No objects, just pixels

Object Detection



DOG, DOG, CAT

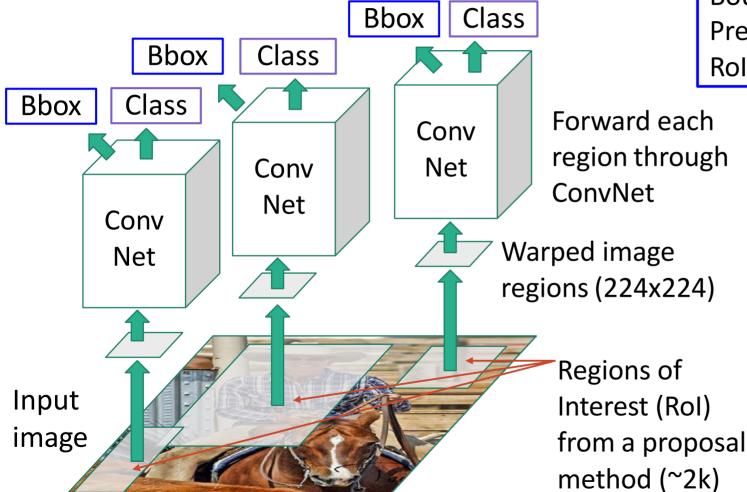
Instance Segmentation



DOG, DOG, CAT

Multiple Objects

Last Time: R-CNN



Classify each region

Bounding box regression:

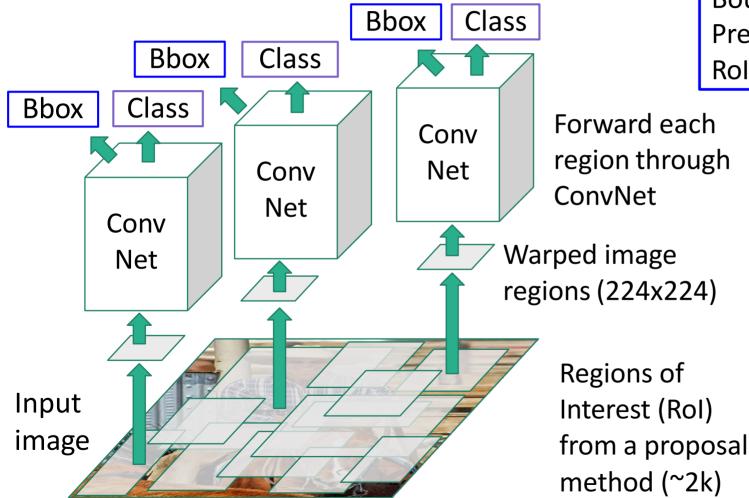
Predict "transform" to correct the

Rol: 4 numbers (t_x, t_y, t_h, t_w)

Girshick et al, "Rich feature hierarchies for accurate object detection and semantic segmentation", CVPR 2014.

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Last Time: R-CNN



Classify each region

Bounding box regression:

Predict "transform" to correct the

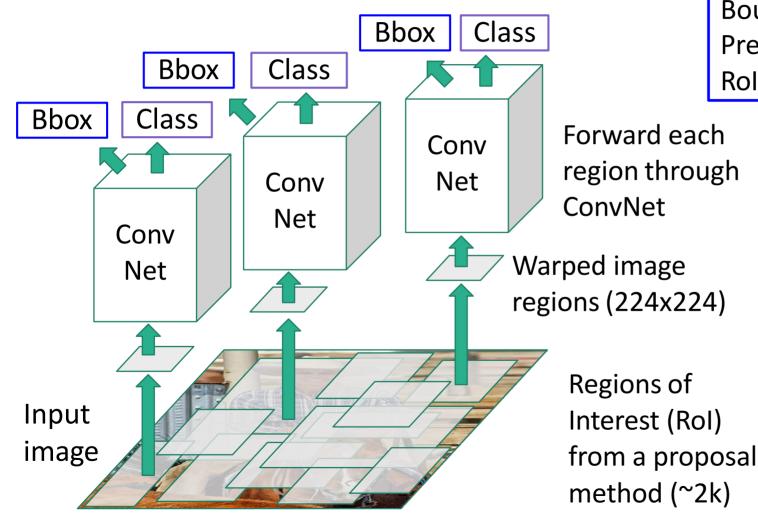
Rol: 4 numbers (t_x, t_y, t_h, t_w)

Problem: Very slow! Need to do 2000 forward passes through CNN per image

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Last Time: R-CNN



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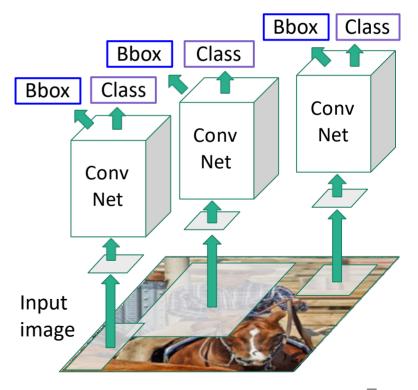
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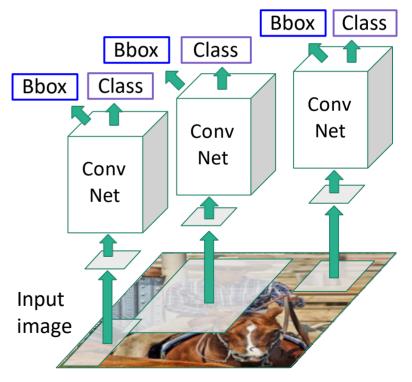
Idea: Overlapping proposals cause a lot of repeated work: same pixels processed many times. Can we avoid this?

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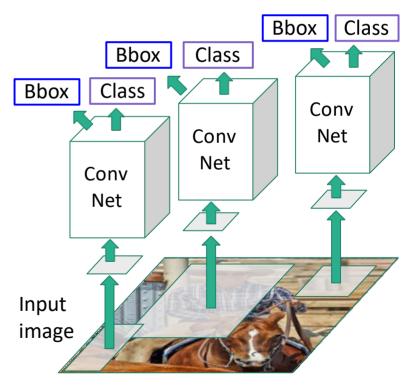
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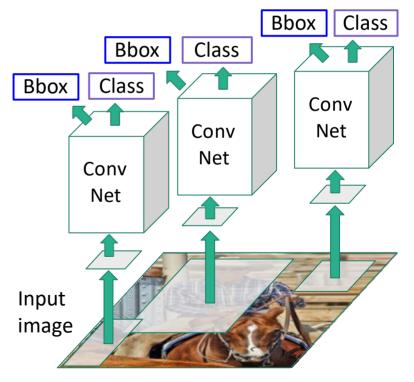




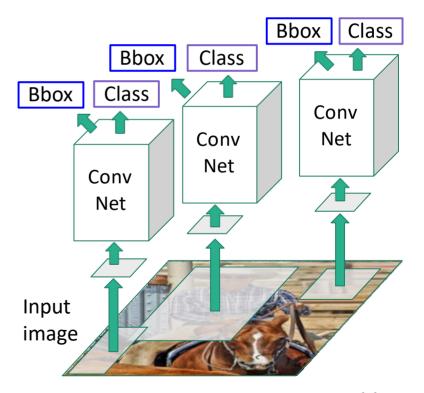
"Backbone" network: AlexNet, VGG, ResNet, etc Image features Run whole image through ConvNet ConvNet Input image

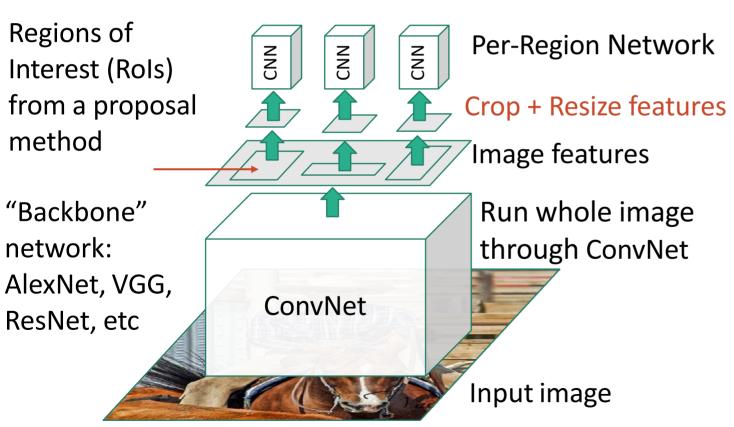


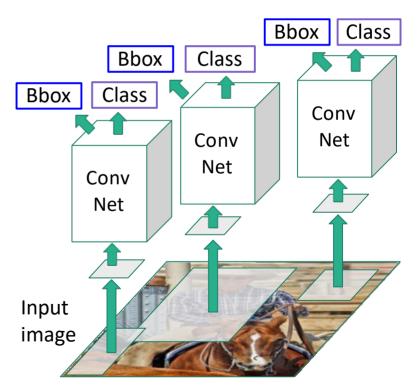
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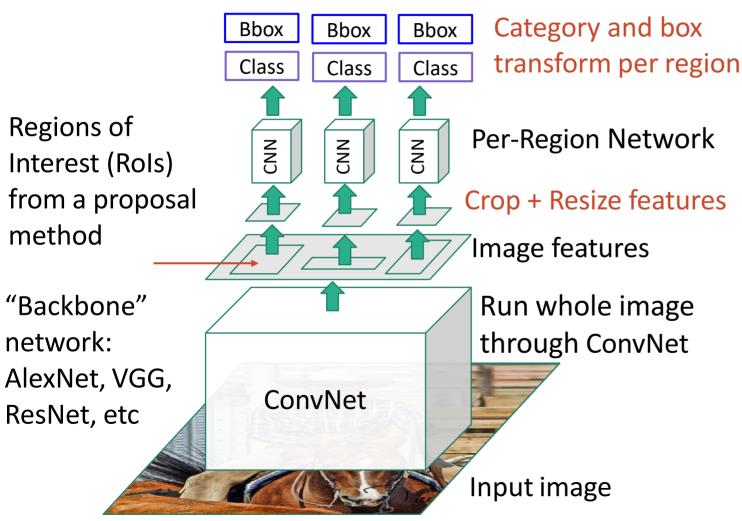


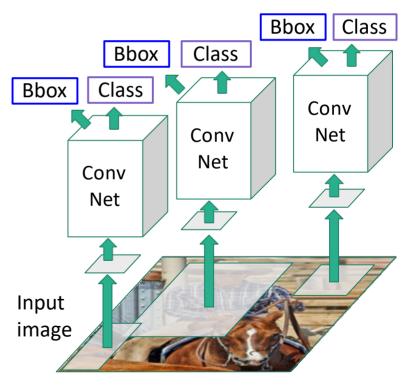
Regions of Interest (Rols) from a proposal Crop + Resize features method Image features "Backbone" Run whole image through ConvNet network: AlexNet, VGG, ConvNet ResNet, etc Input image

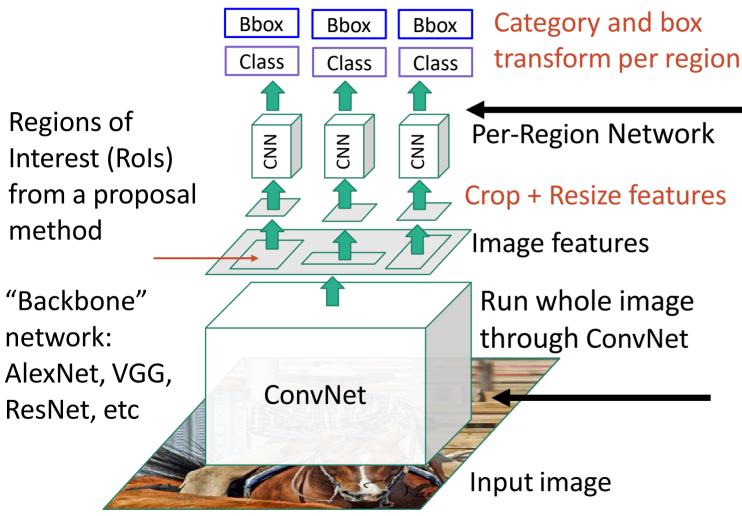








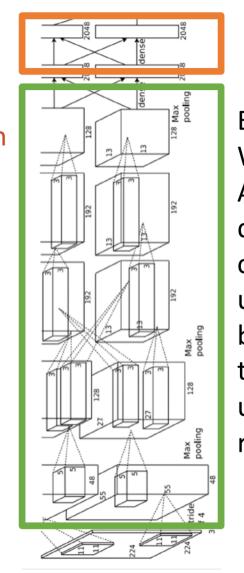




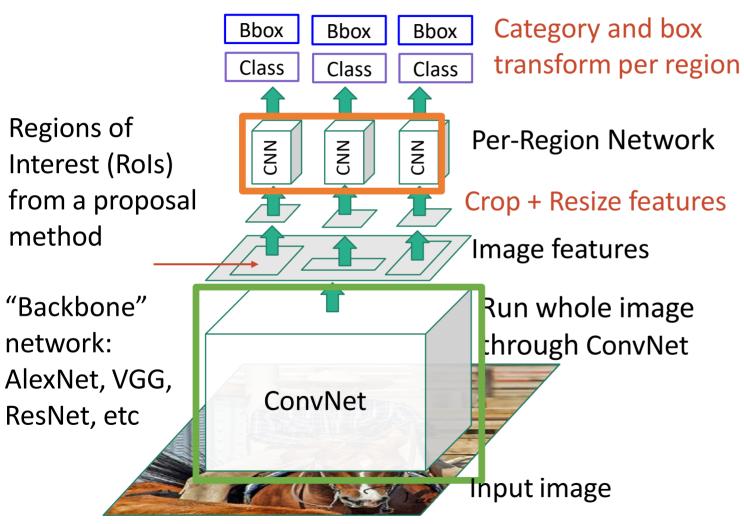
Per-Region network is relatively lightweight

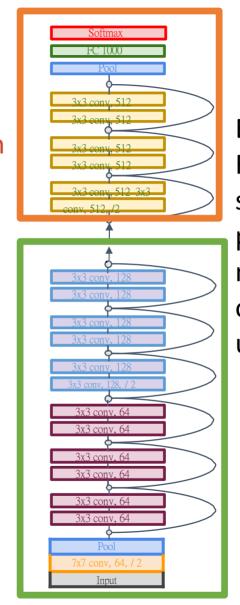
Most of the computation happens in backbone network; this saves work for overlapping region proposals

Category and box **Bbox** Bbox Bbox transform per region Class Class Class Regions of Per-Region Network NN NNO Interest (Rols) from a proposal Crop + Resize features method Image features Run whole image "Backbone" through ConvNet network: AlexNet, VGG, ConvNet ResNet, etc Input image

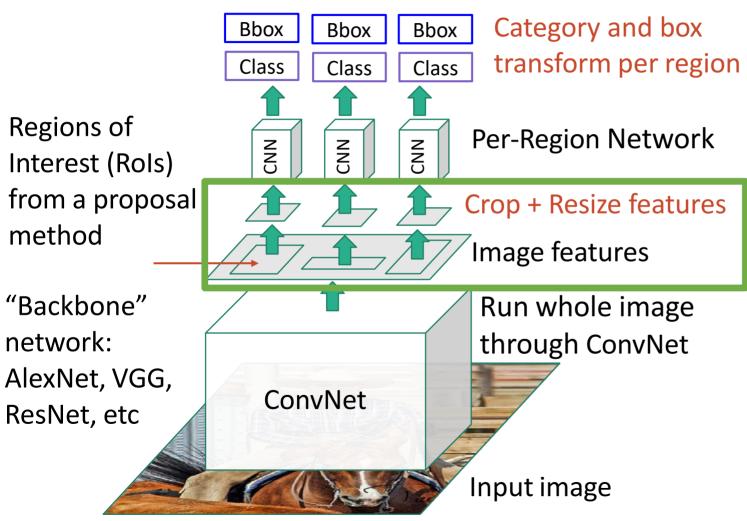


Example: When using AlexNet for detection, five conv layers are used for backbone and two FC layers are used for perregion network



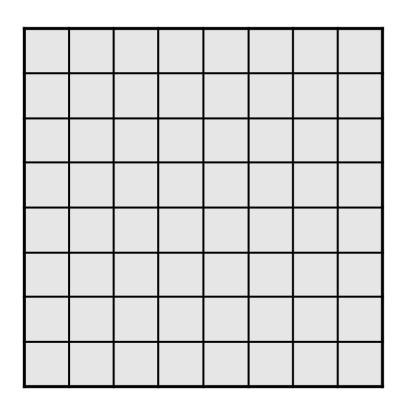


Example:
For ResNet, last
stage is used as
per-region
network; the rest
of the network is
used as backbone



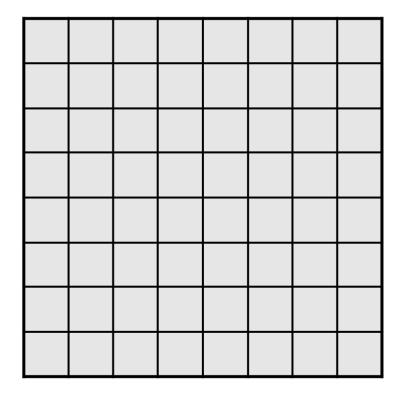
How to crop features?

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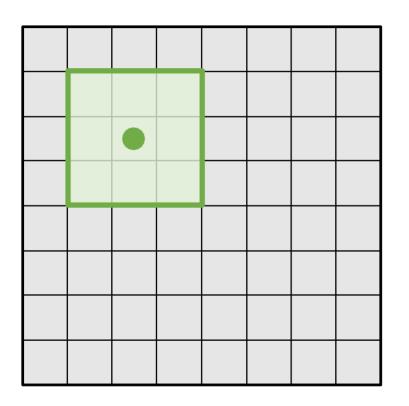


Every position in the output feature map depends on a 3x3 receptive field in the input

3x3 Conv Stride 1, pad 1

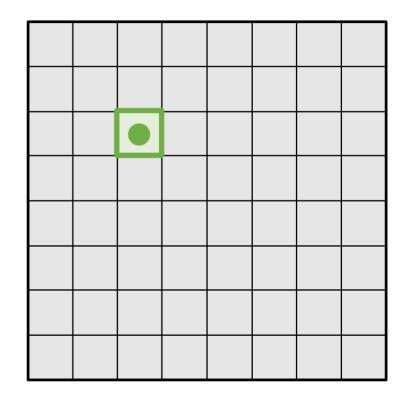


Input Image: 8 x 8

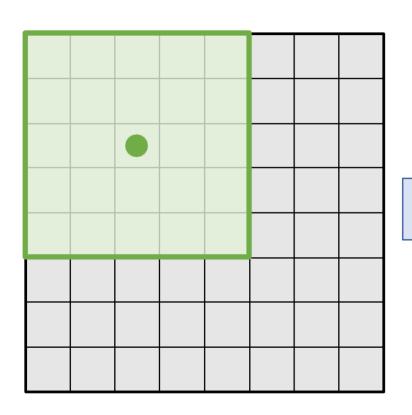


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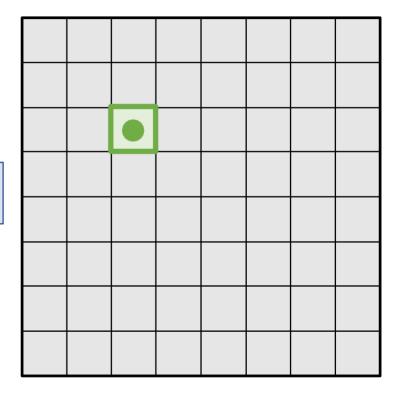
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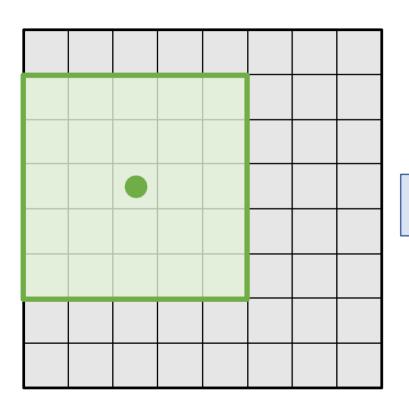
Every position in the output feature map depends on a <u>5x5</u> receptive field in the input

3x3 Conv Stride 1, pad 1

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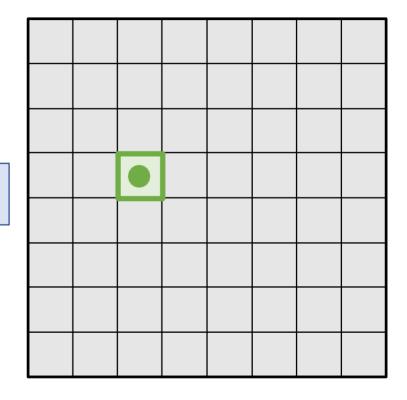


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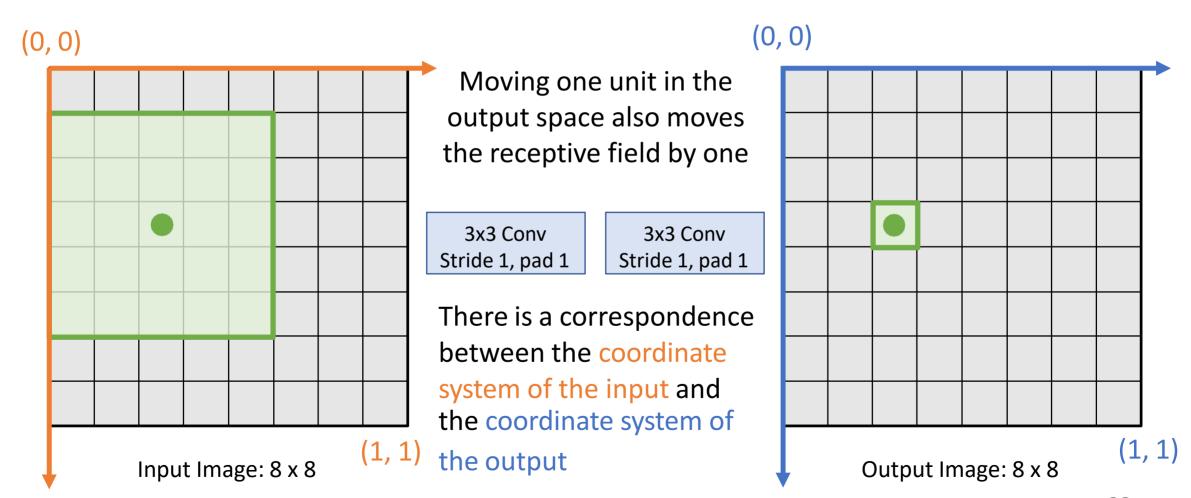


Moving one unit in the output space also moves the receptive field by one

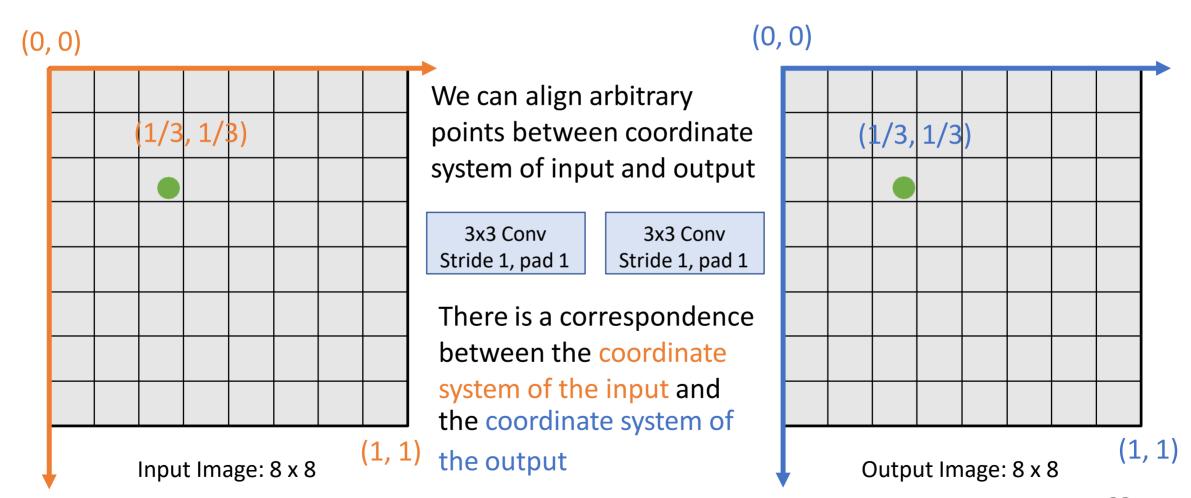
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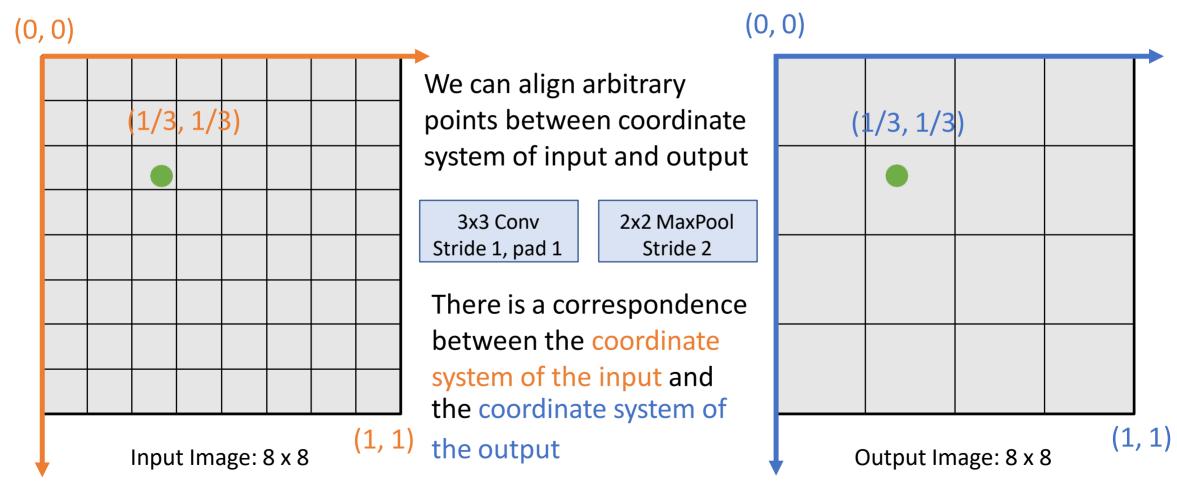


Projecting Points



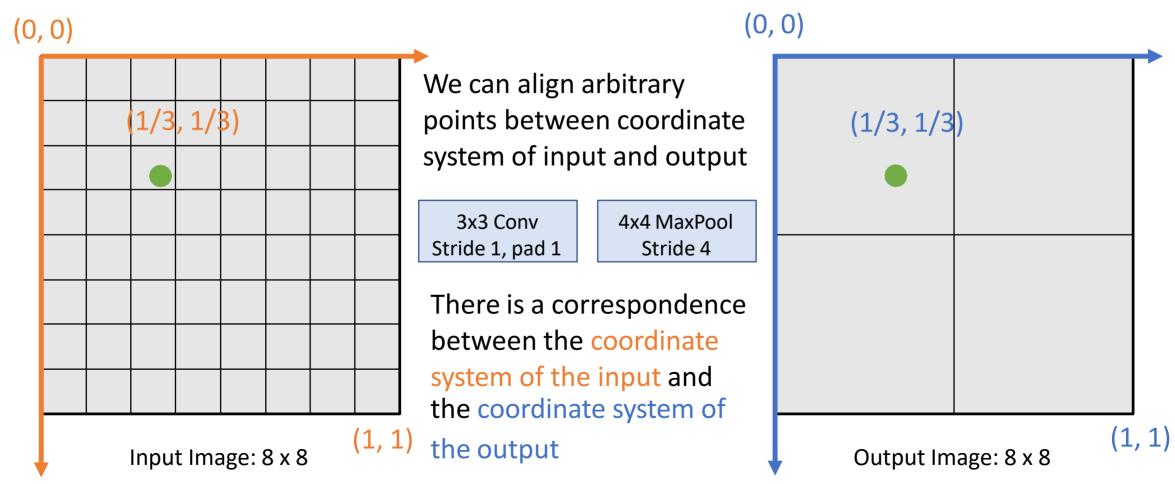
Projecting Points

Same logic holds for more complicated CNNs, even if spatial resolution of input and output are different



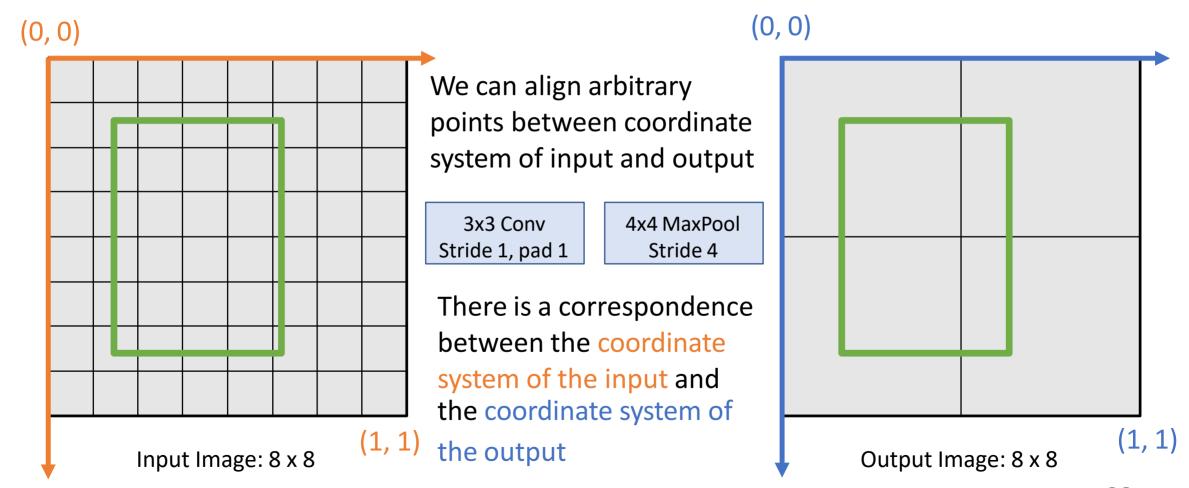
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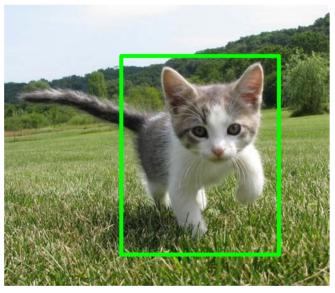
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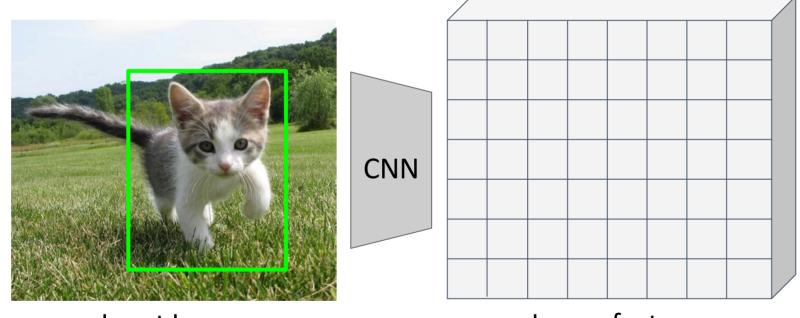
Projecting Boxes

We can use this idea to project bounding boxes between an input image and a feature map





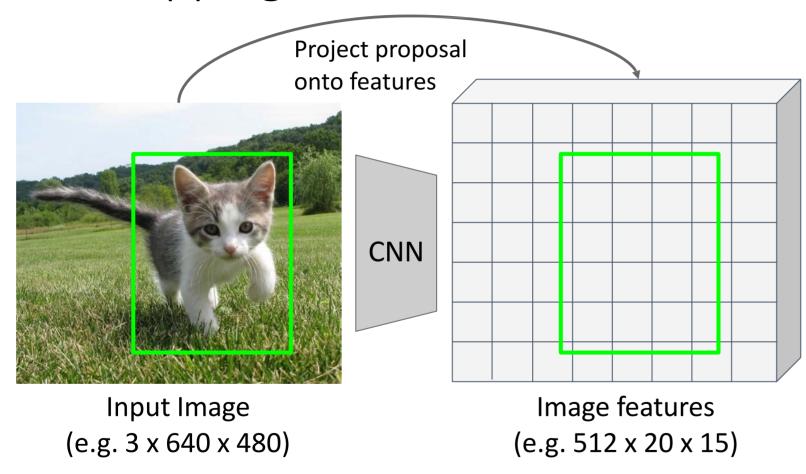
Input Image (e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)



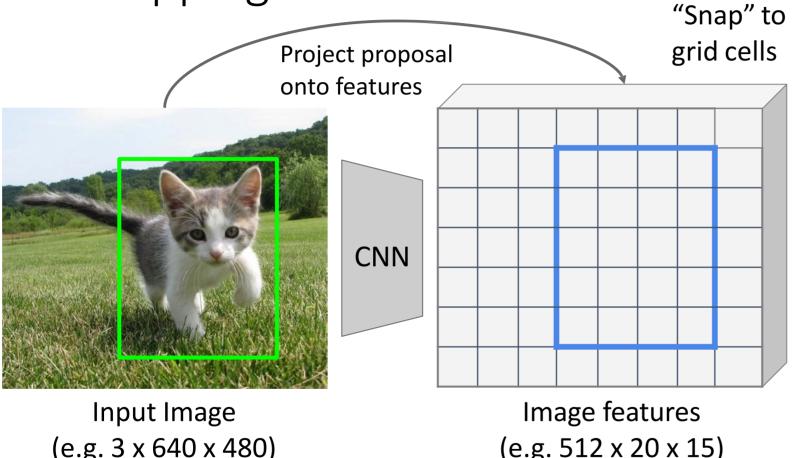
Want features for the box of a fixed size (2x2 in this example, 7x7 or 14x14 in practice)

Input Image (e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)

Image features (e.g. 512 x 20 x 15)



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grid cells Project proposal onto features **CNN** Image features

"Snap" to grid of (roughly) grid cells equal subregions

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(e.g. 512 x 20 x 15)

"Snap" to grid cells Project proposal onto features **CNN** Image features Input Image (e.g. 3 x 640 x 480) (e.g. 512 x 20 x 15)

Divide into 2x2 grid of (roughly) equal subregions

Max-pool within each subregion

Region features (here 512 x 2 x 2; In practice 512x7x7)

Region features always the same size even if input regions have different sizes!

"Snap" to grid cells Project proposal onto features **CNN** Image features Input Image

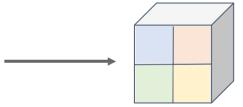
(e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)

(e.g. 512 x 20 x 15)

Problem: Slight misalignment due to snapping; different-sized subregions is weird

Divide into 2x2 grid of (roughly) equal subregions

Max-pool within each subregion

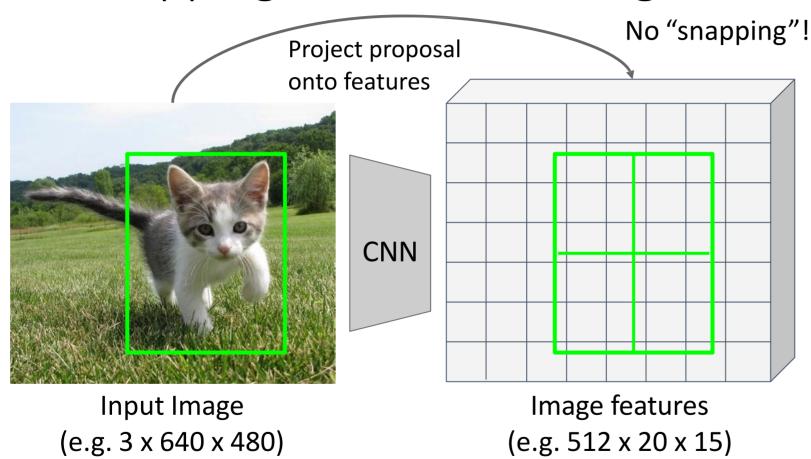


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Divide into equal-sized subregions (may not be aligned to grid!)

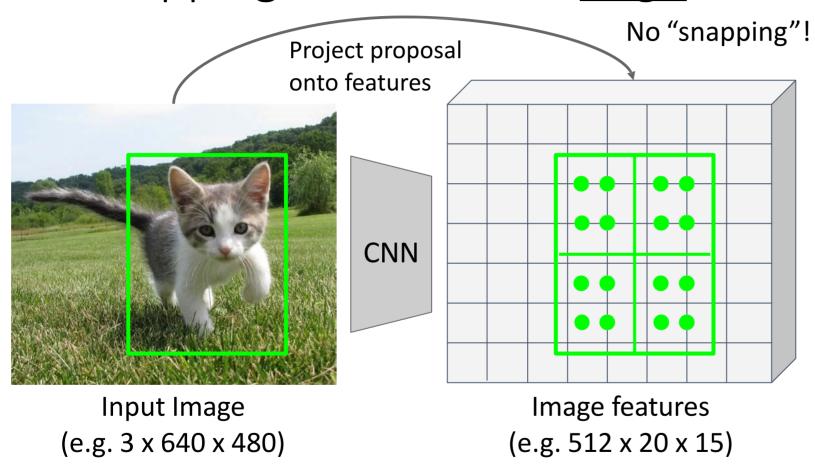


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He et al, "Mask R-CNN", ICCV 2017.

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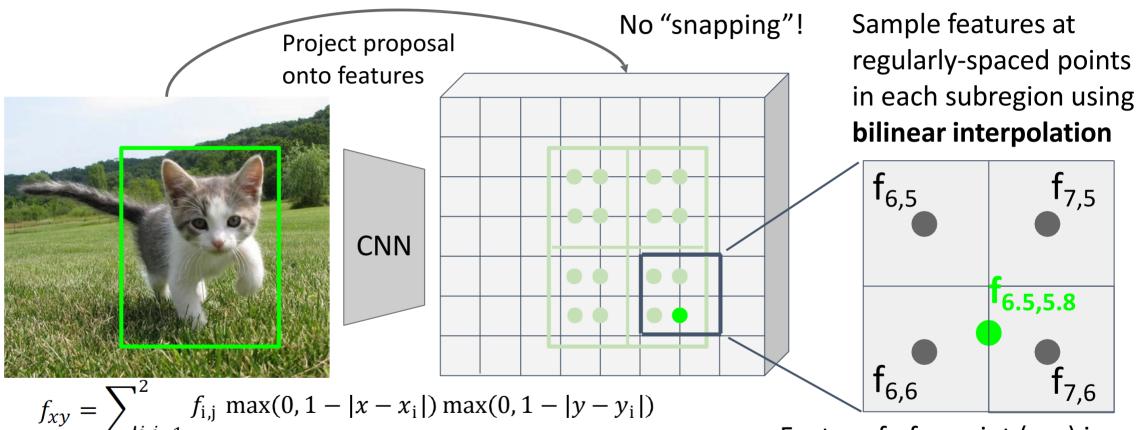


Sample features at regularly-spaced points in each subregion using bilinear interpolation

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Divide into equal-sized subregions (may not be aligned to grid!)

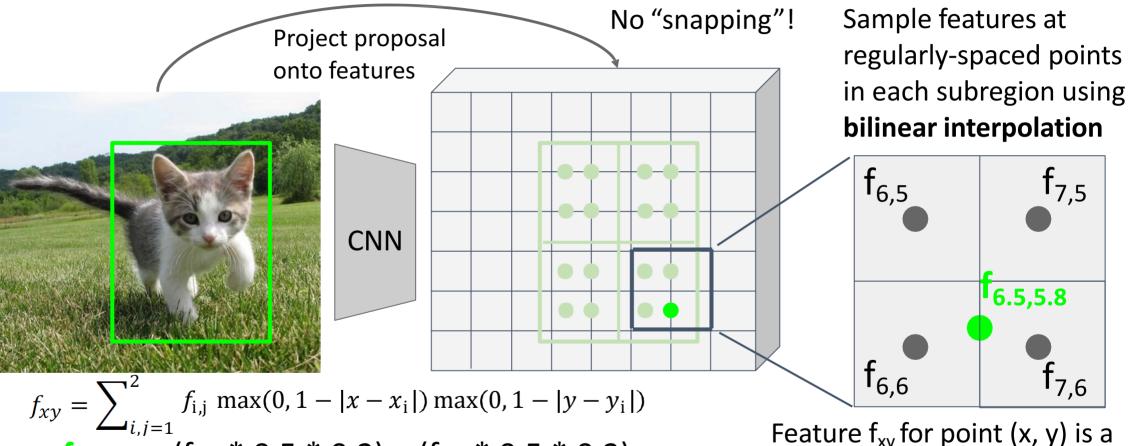


Feature f_{xy} for point (x, y) is a linear combination of features at its four neighboring grid₃cells:

 $f_{6.5,5.8} = (f_{6,5} * 0.5 * 0.2) + (f_{7,5} * 0.5 * 0.2)$

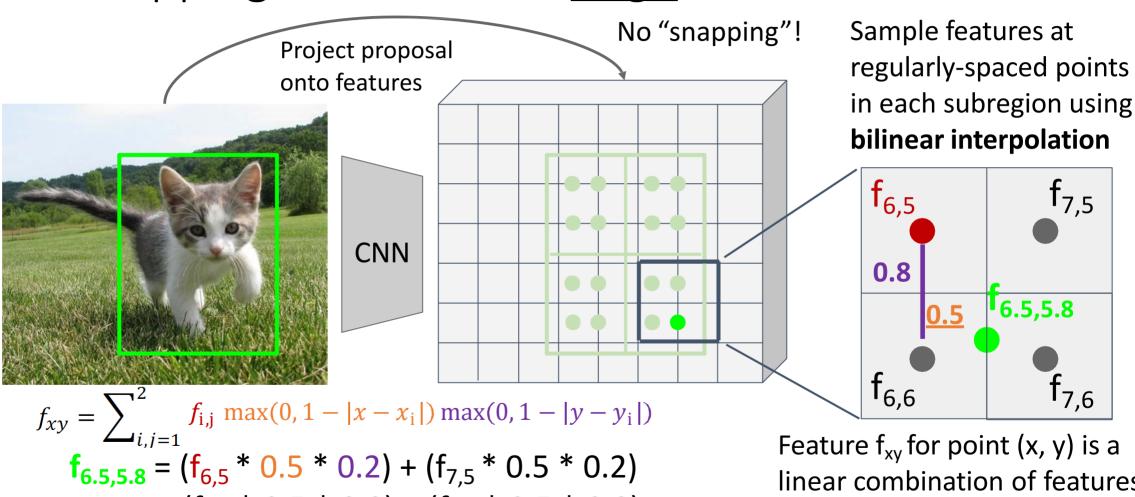
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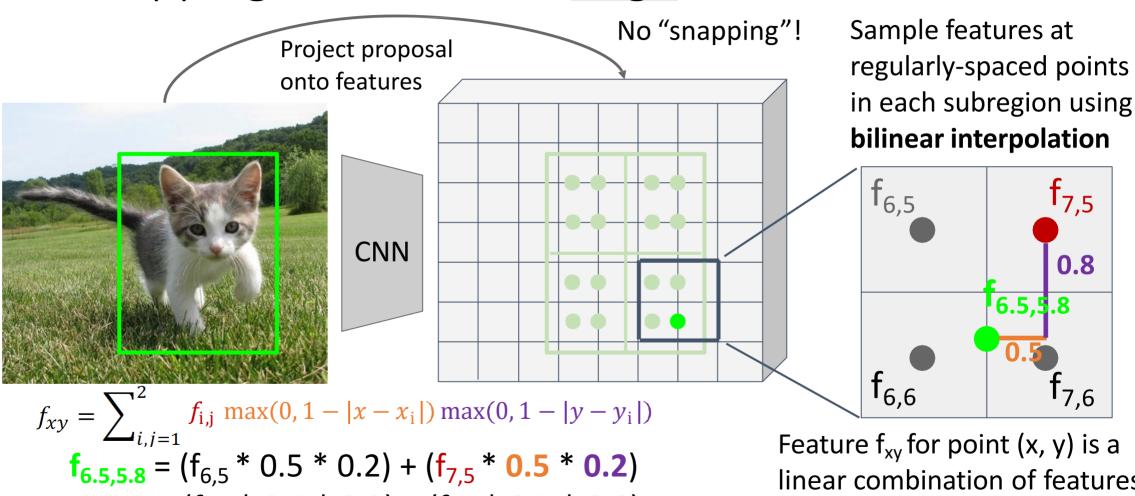
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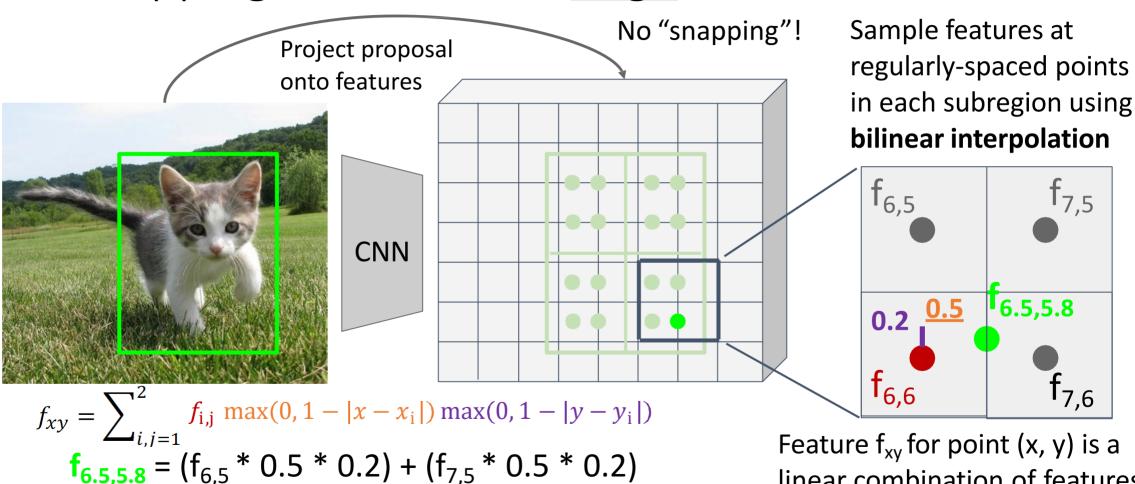
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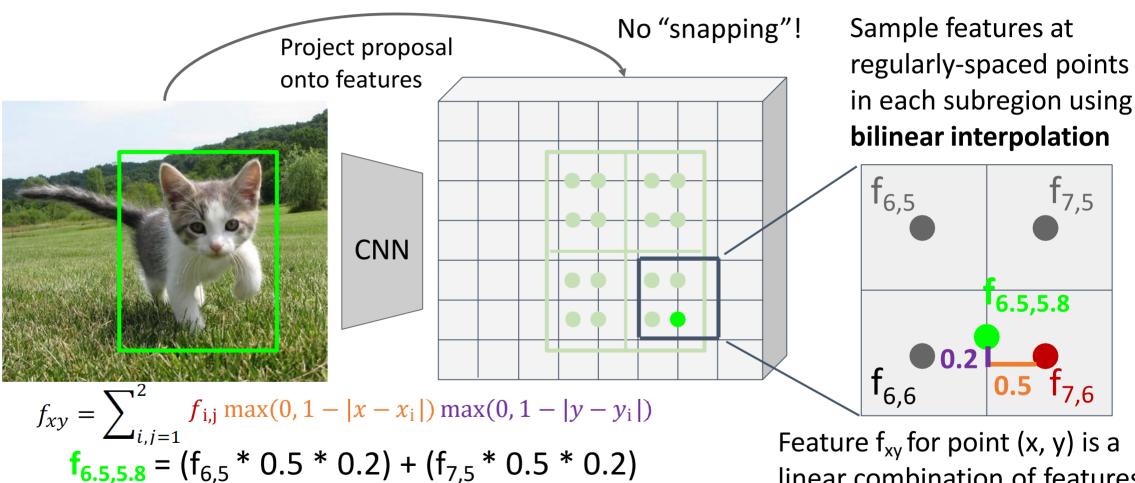
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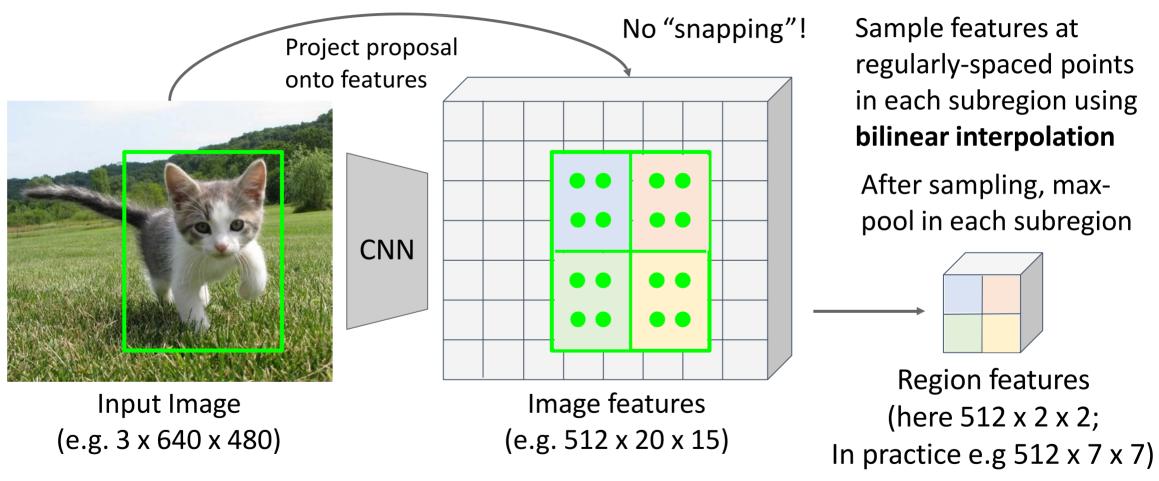


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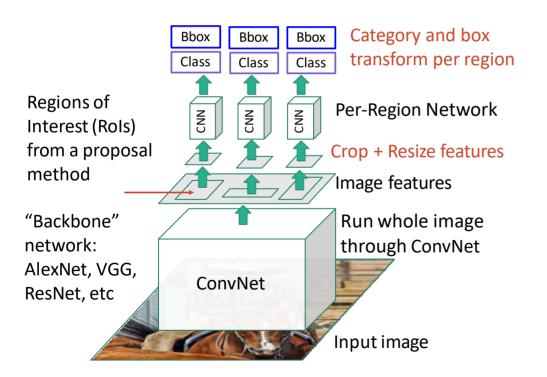


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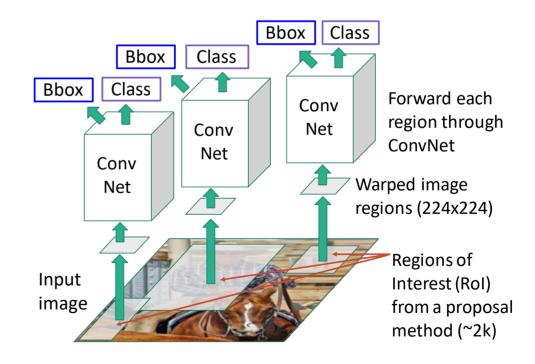


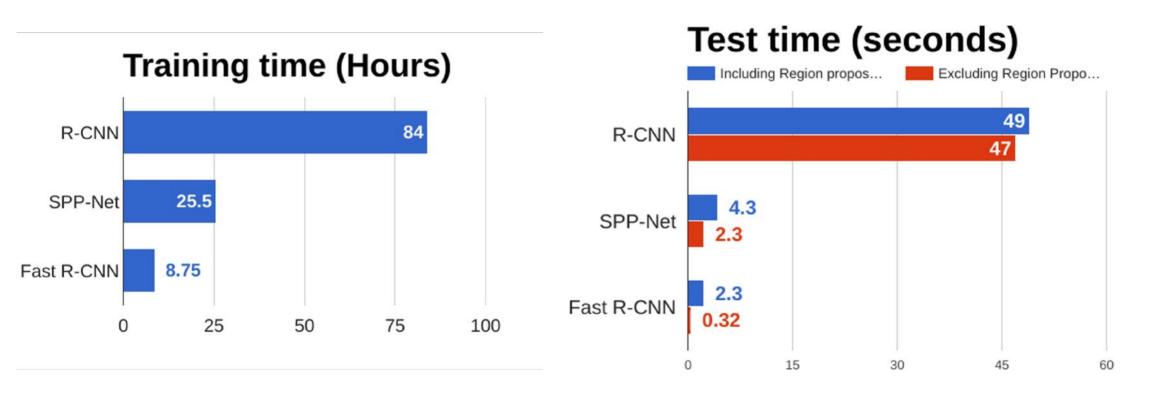
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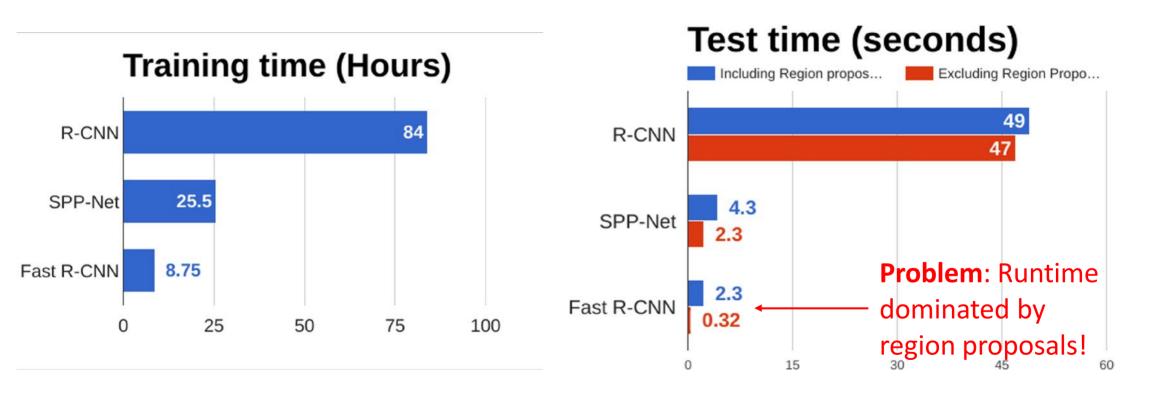
Fast R-CNN: Apply differentiable cropping to shared image features

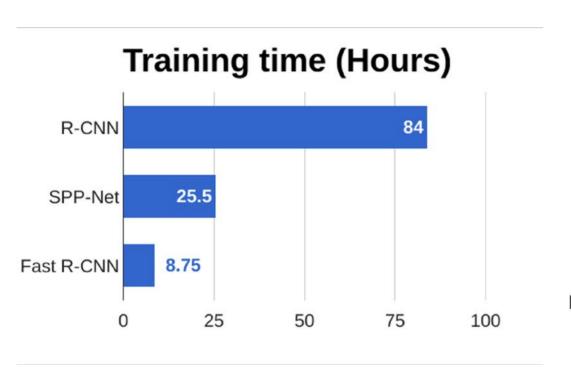


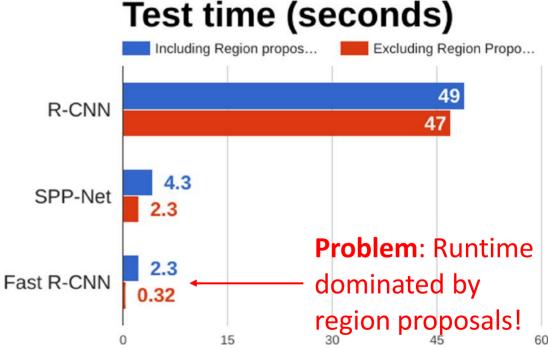
"Slow" R-CNN: Apply differentiable cropping to shared image features











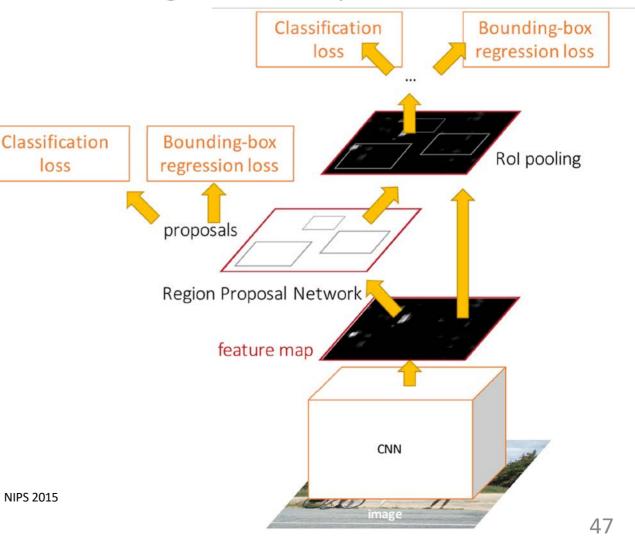
Recall: Region proposals computed by heuristic "Selective Search" algorithm on CPU -- let's learn them with a CNN instead!

Girshick et al, "Rich feature hierarchies for accurate object detection and semantic segmentation", CVPR 2014. He et al, "Spatial pyramid pooling in deep convolutional networks for visual recognition", ECCV 2014 Girshick, "Fast R-CNN", ICCV 2015

loss

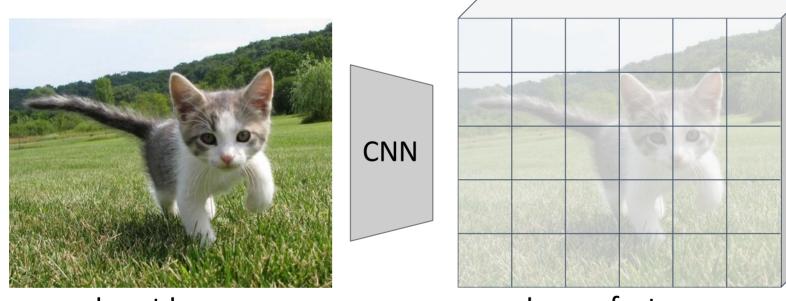
Insert Region Proposal **Network (RPN)** to predict proposals from features

Otherwise same as Fast R-CNN: Crop features for each proposal, classify each one



Ren et al, "Faster R-CNN: Towards Real-Time Object Detection with Region Proposal Networks", NIPS 2015 Figure copyright 2015, Ross Girshick; reproduced with permission

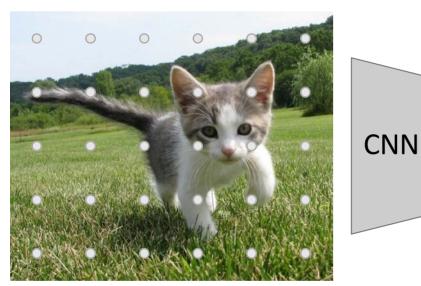
Run backbone CNN to get features aligned to input image



Input Image (e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)

Image features (e.g. 512 x 5 x 6)

Run backbone CNN to get features aligned to input image



Input Image (e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)

Each feature corresponds to a point in the input

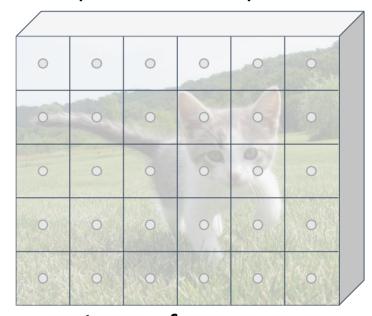
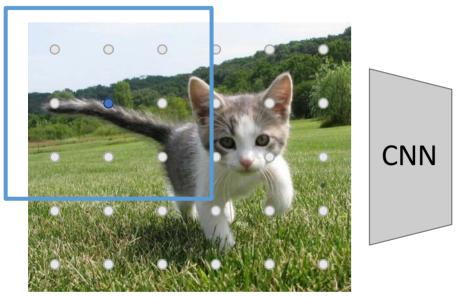


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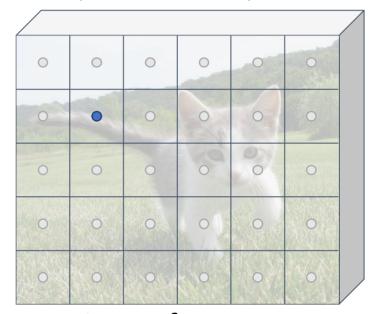
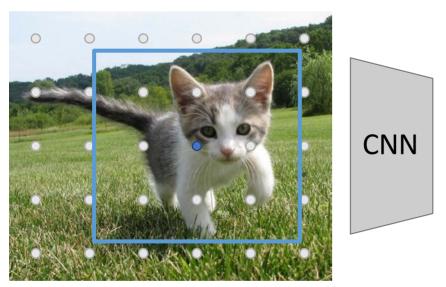


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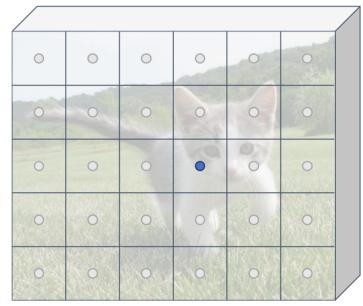


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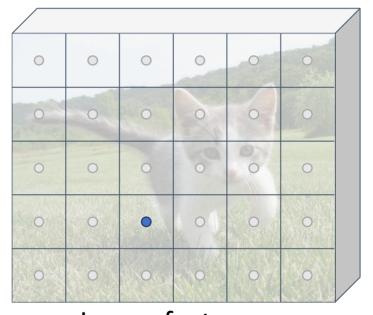
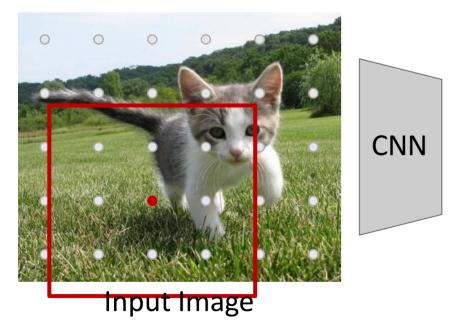


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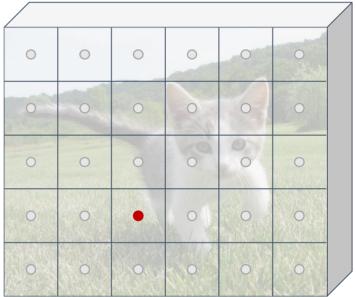


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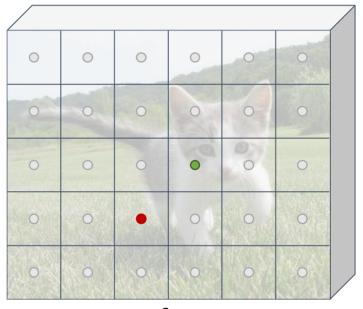
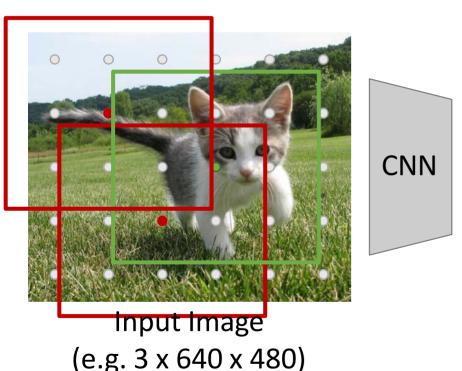


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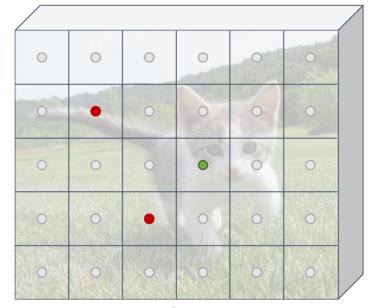
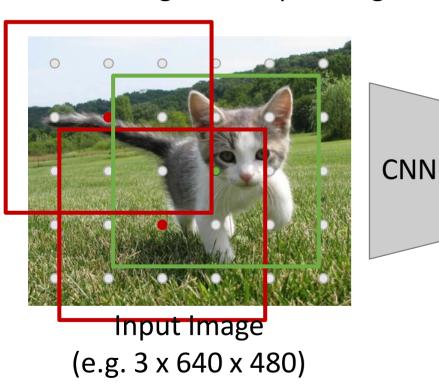


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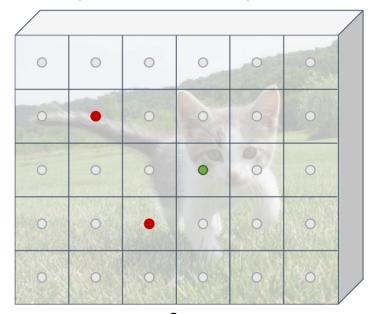
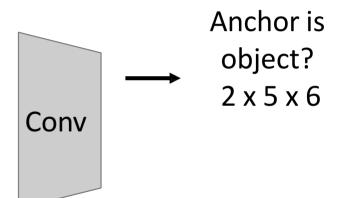
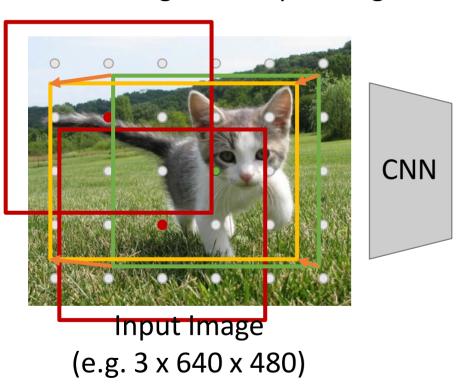


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Predict object vs not object scores for all anchors with a conv layer (512 input filters, 2 output filters)



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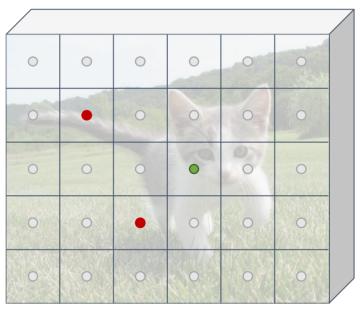
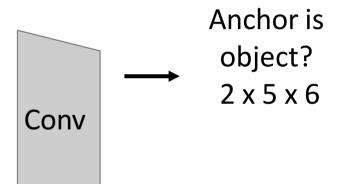
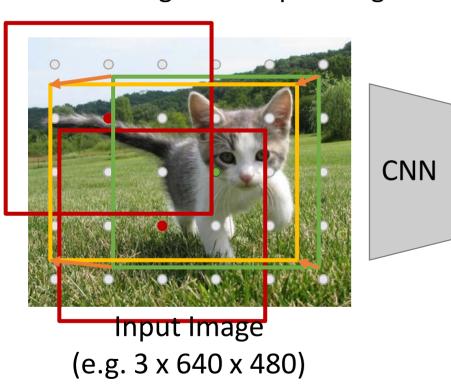


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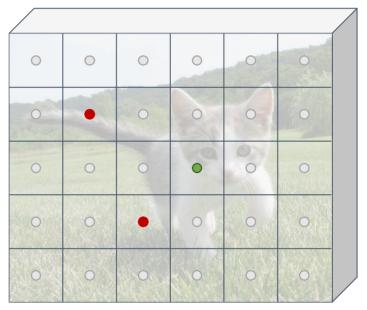
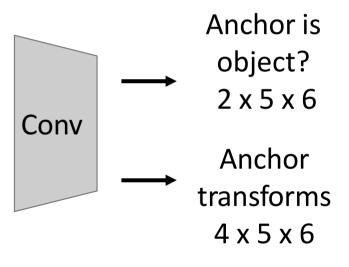


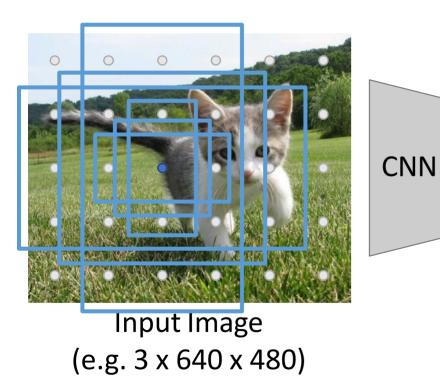
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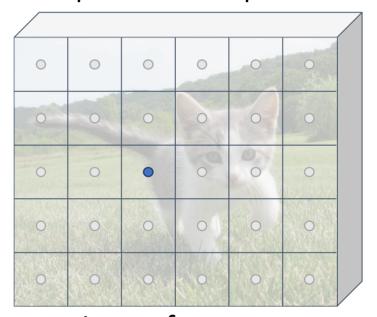
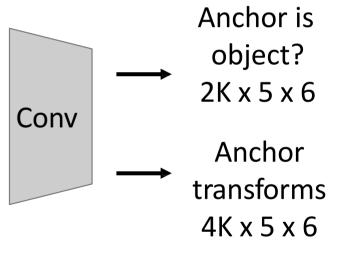
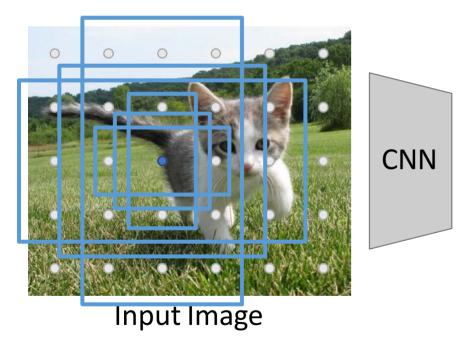


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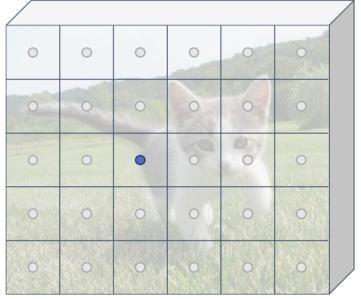
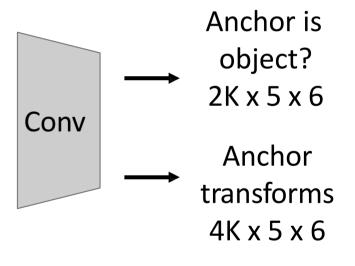


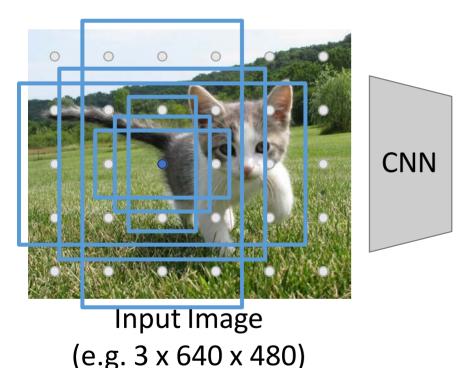
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During training, supervised positive / negative anchors and box transforms like R-CNN

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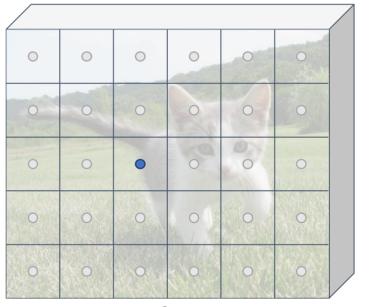
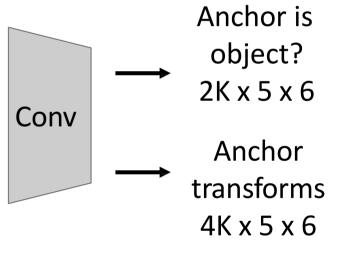


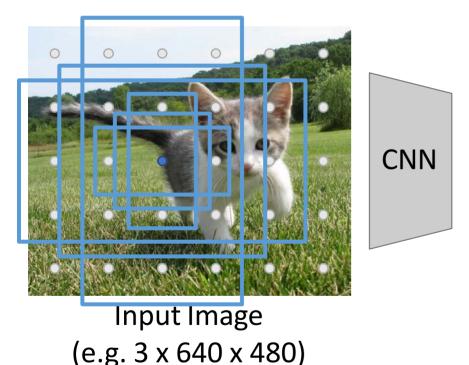
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Positive anchors: >= 0.7 IoU with some GT box (plus highest IoU to each GT)

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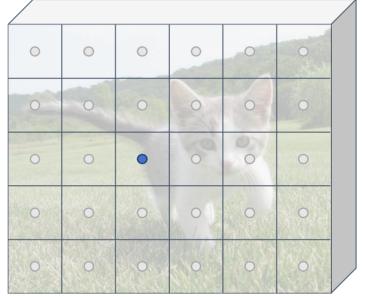
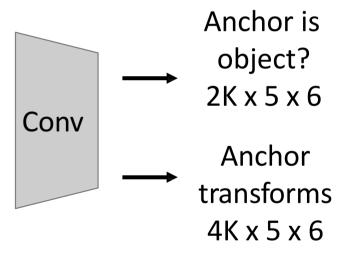


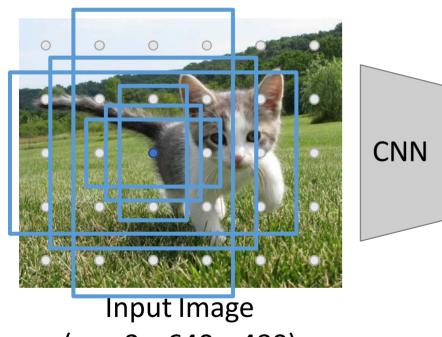
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Negative anchors: < 0.3 IoU with all GT boxes. Don't supervised transforms for negative boxes.

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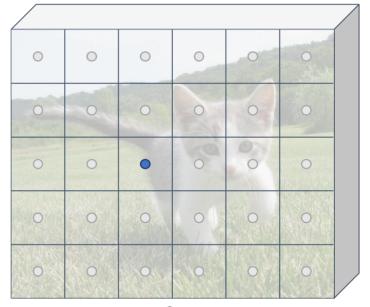
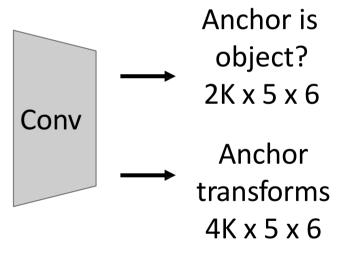
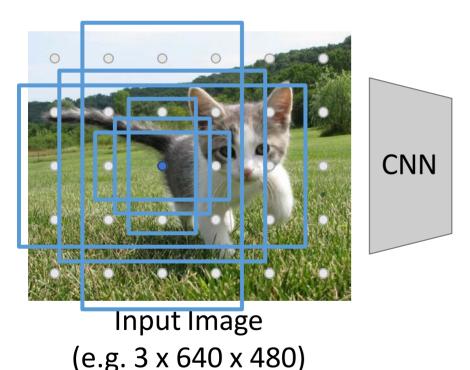


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Neutral anchors: between 0.3 and 0.7 IoU with all GT boxes; ignored during training

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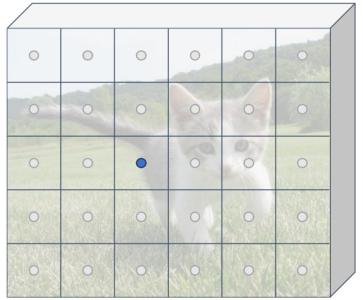
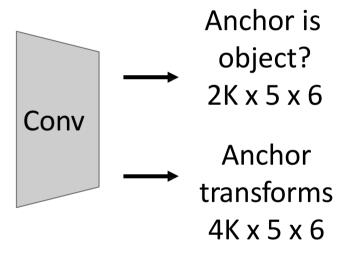


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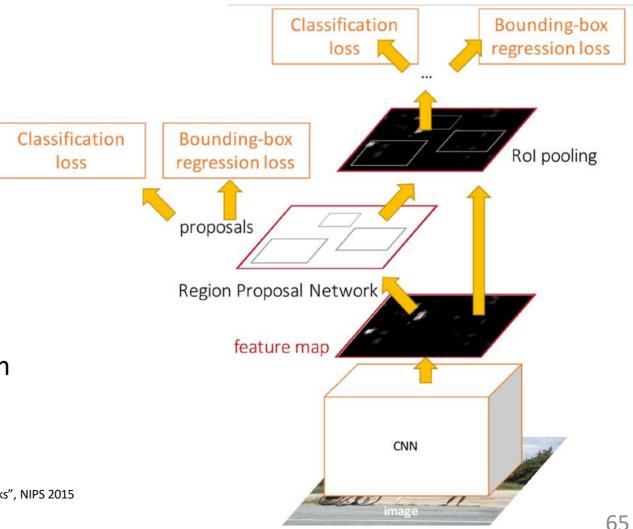
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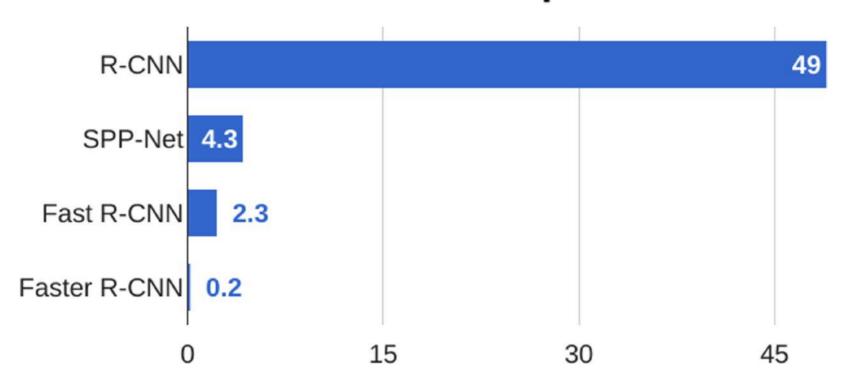
At test-time, sort all K*5*6 boxes by their positive score, take top 300 as our region proposals

Jointly train with 4 losses:

- **RPN classification**: anchor box is object / not an object
- RPN regression: predict transform from anchor box to proposal box
- **Object classification**: classify proposals as background / object class
- **Object regression**: predict transform from proposal box to object box



R-CNN Test-Time Speed



Faster R-CNN is a

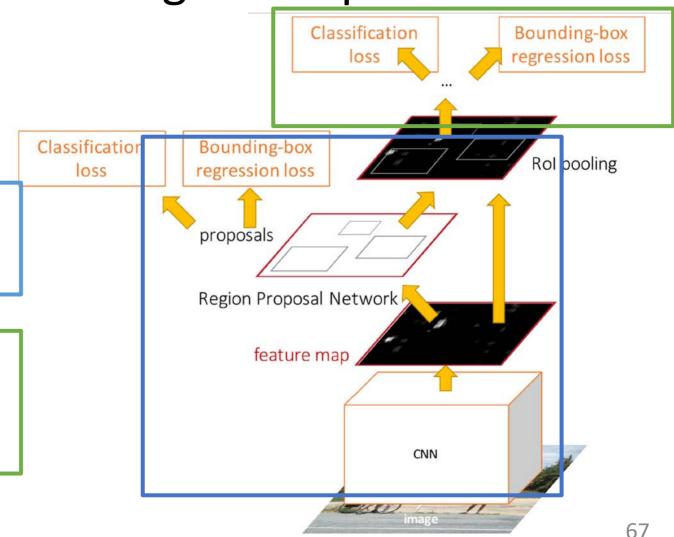
Two-stage object detector

First stage: Run once per image

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- Region proposal network

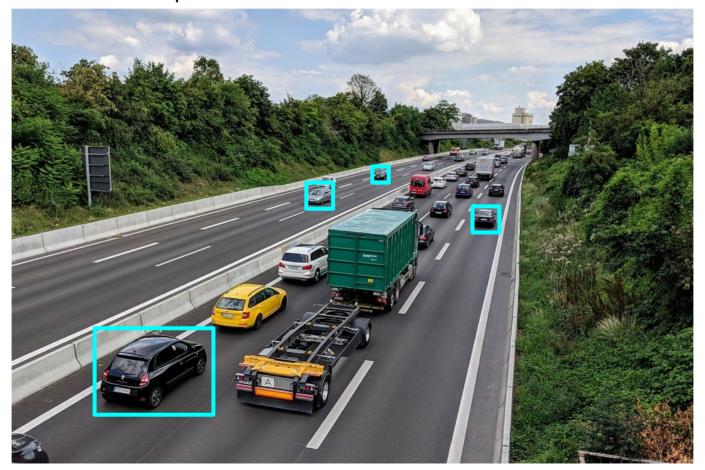
Second stage: Run once per region

- Crop features: Rol pool / align
- Predict object class
- Prediction bbox offset



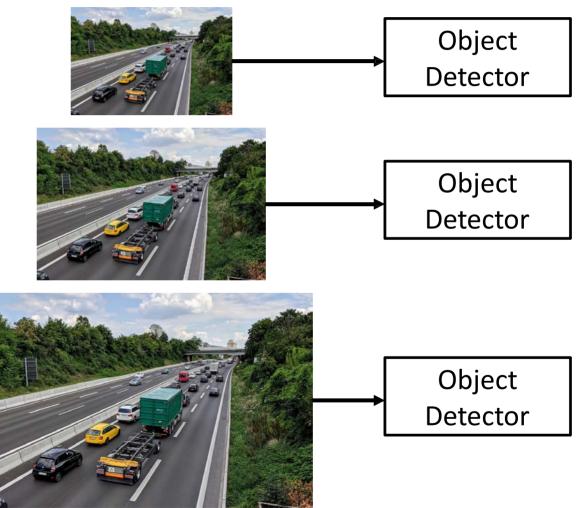
Dealing with Scale

We need to detect objects of many different scales. How to improve *scale invariance* of the detector?



Dealing with Scale: Image Pyramid

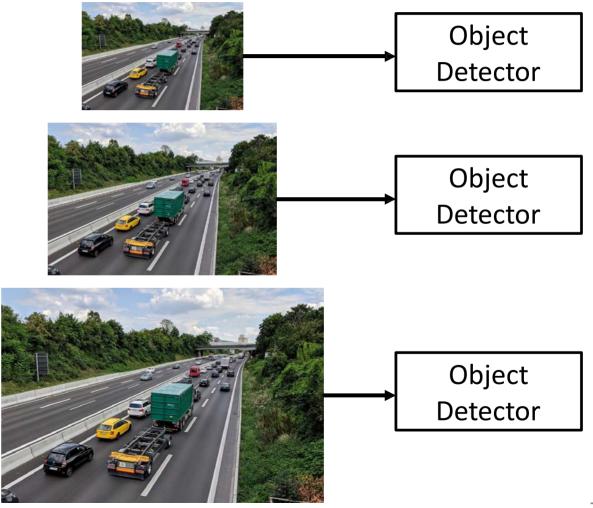
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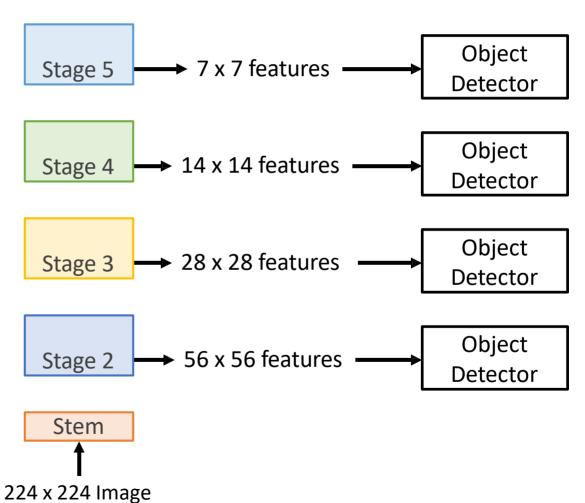
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Problem: Expensive! Don't share any computation between scales



Dealing with Scale: Multiscale Features

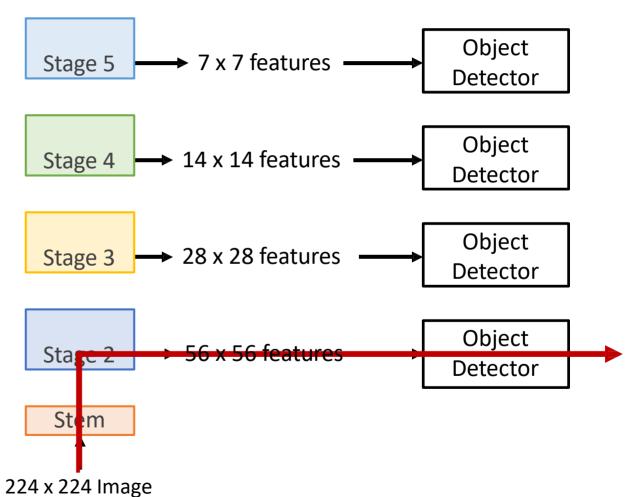
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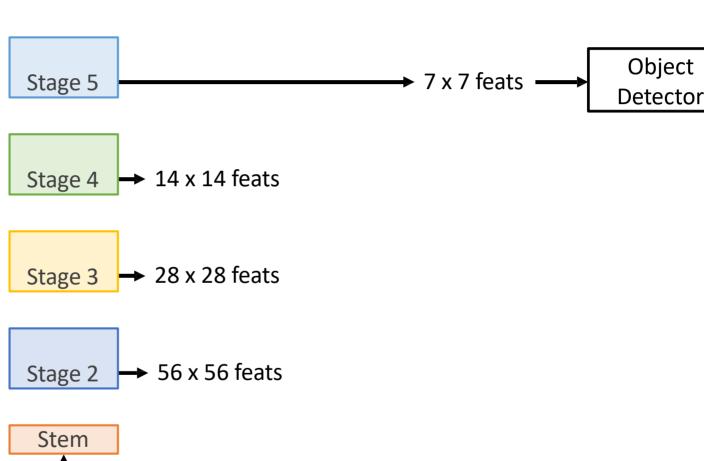
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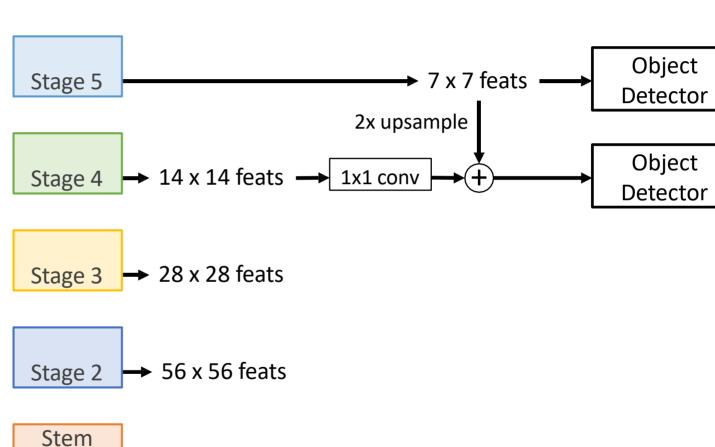
Problem: detector on early features doesn't make use of the entire backbone; doesn't get access to high-level features

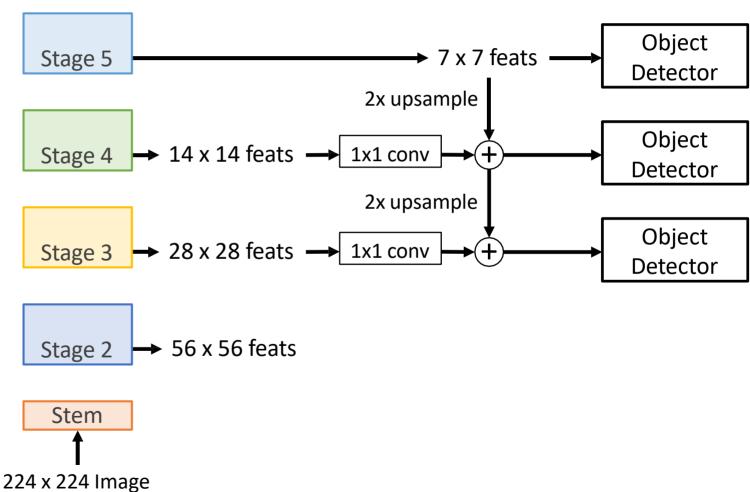


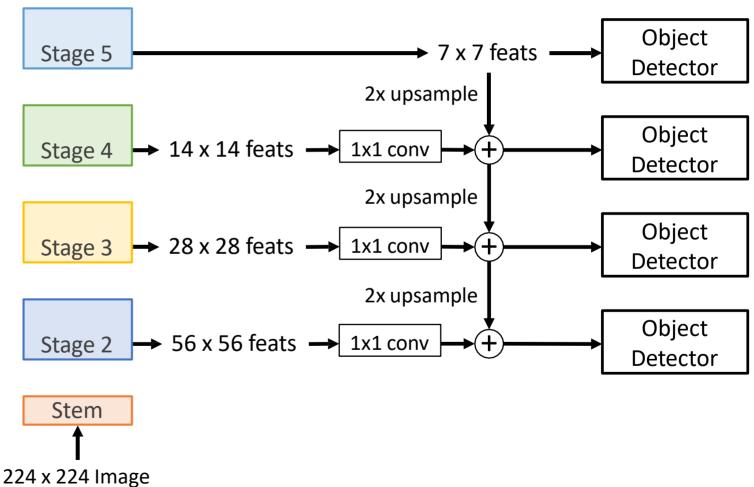
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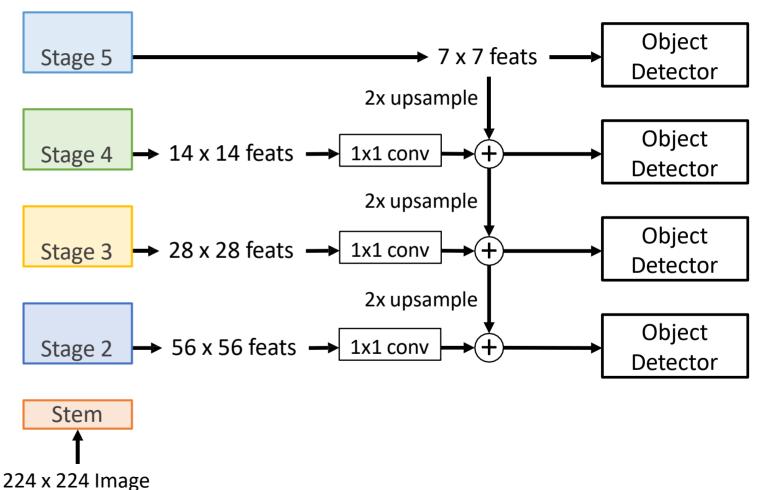






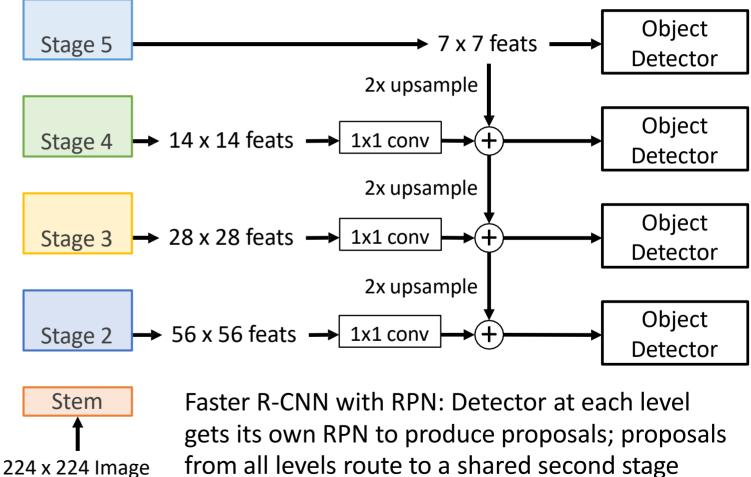
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Lin et al, "Feature Pyramid Networks for Object Detection", ICCV 2017

from all levels route to a shared second stage

Faster R-CNN: Learnable Region Proposals

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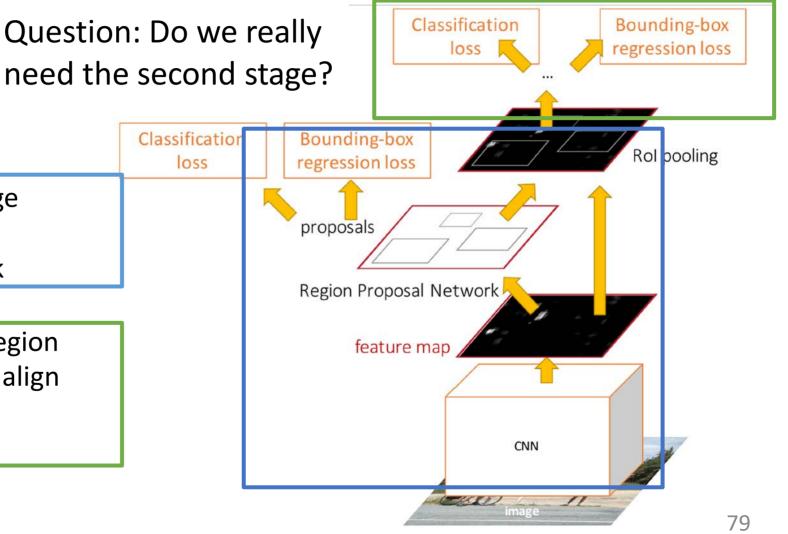
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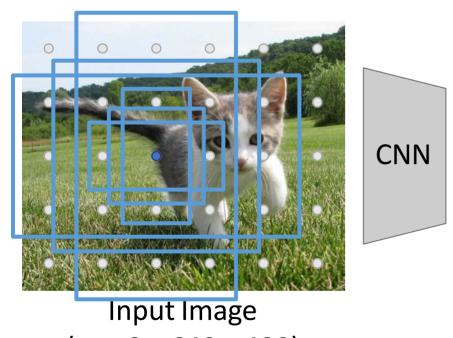
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Run backbone CNN to get features aligned to input image



 $(e.g. 3 \times 640 \times 480)$

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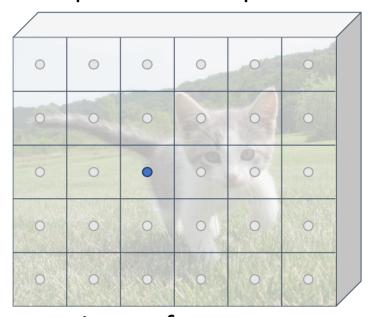
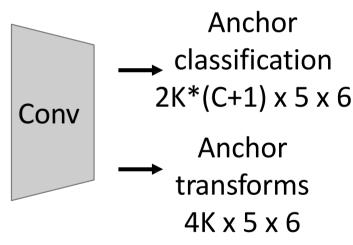


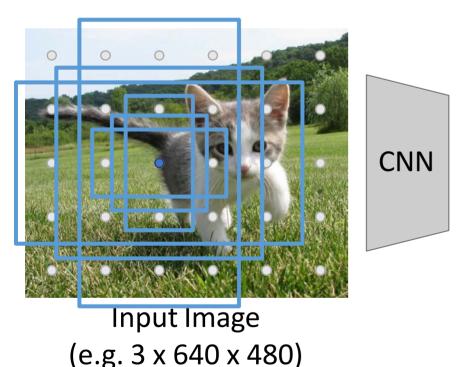
Image features (e.g. 512 x 5 x 6) Similar to RPN – but rather than classify anchors as object/no object, directly predict object category (among C categories) or background



Lin et al, "Focal Loss for Dense Object Detection", ICCV 2017

Problem: class imbalance – many more background anchors vs non-background

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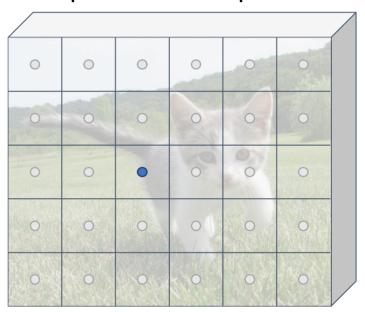
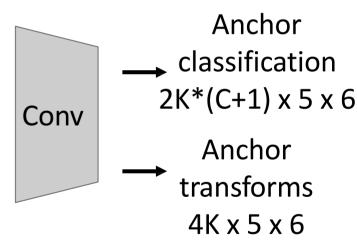
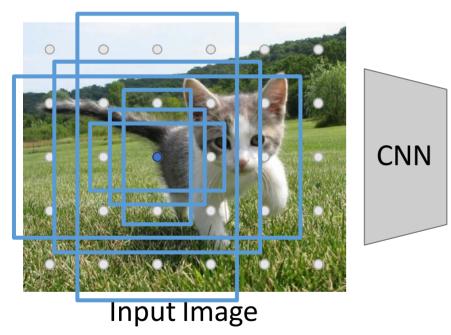


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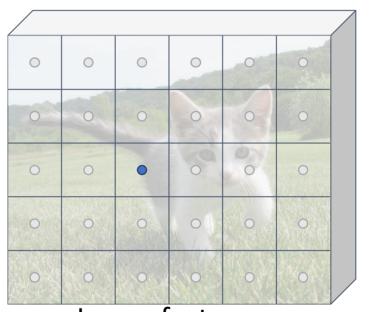
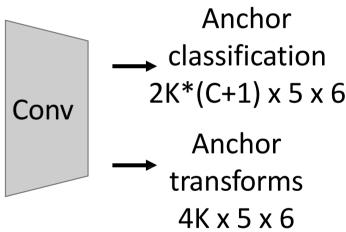


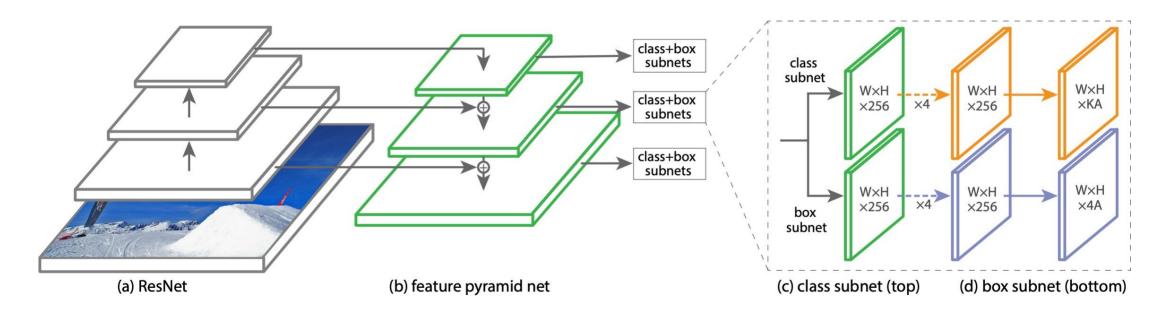
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Solution: new loss function (Focal Loss); see paper

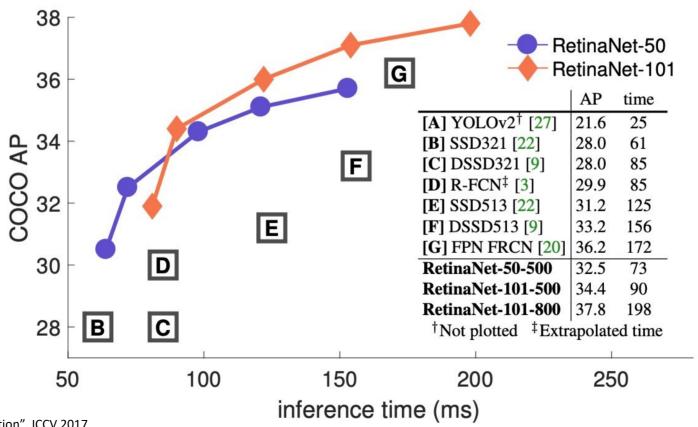


$$ext{CE}(p_{ ext{t}}) = -\log(p_{ ext{t}}) \ ext{FL}(p_{ ext{t}}) = -(1-p_{ ext{t}})^{\gamma} \log(p_{ ext{t}})$$

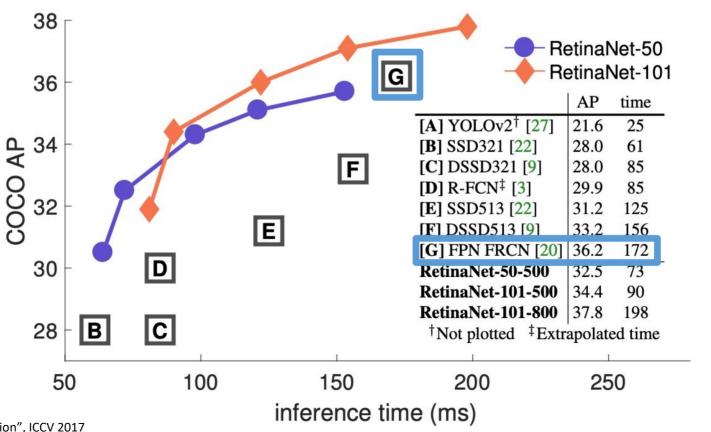
In practice, RetinaNet also uses Feature Pyramid Network to handle multiscale



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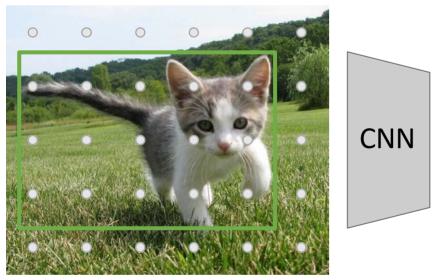


Faster R-CNN with Feature Pyramid Network

"Anchor-free" detector

Single-Stage Detectors: FCOS

Run backbone CNN to get features aligned to input image



Input Image (e.g. 3 x 640 x 480)

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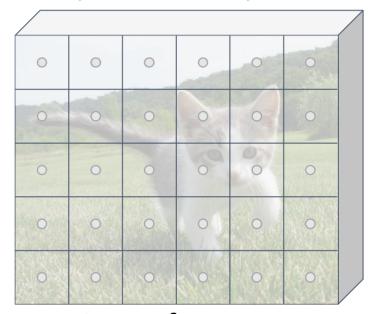
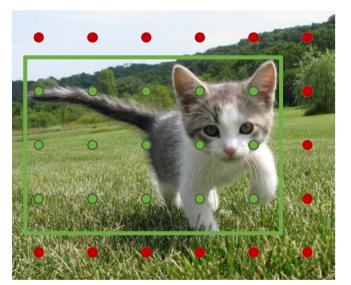


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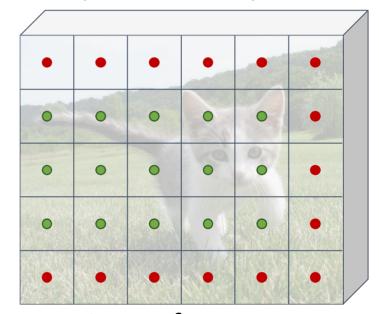
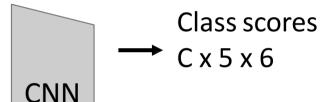


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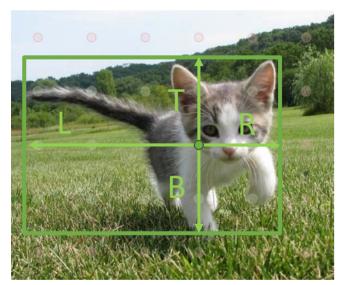
Classify points as positive if they fall into a GT box, or negative if they don't

Train independent percategory logistic regressors



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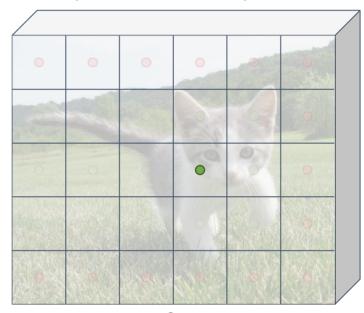
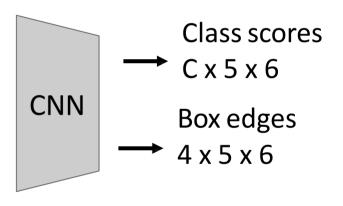


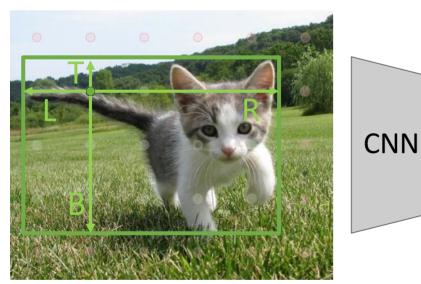
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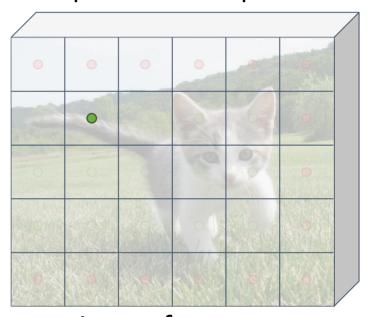
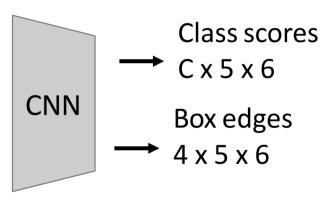


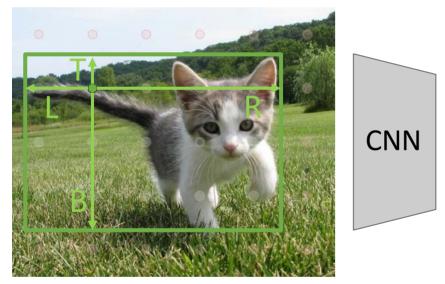
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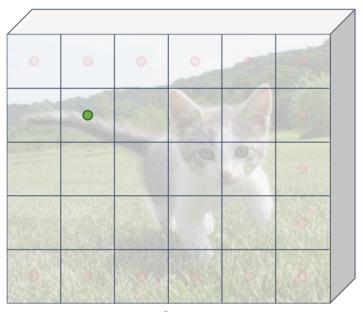
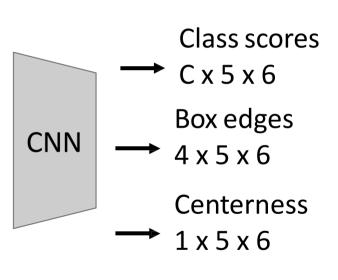


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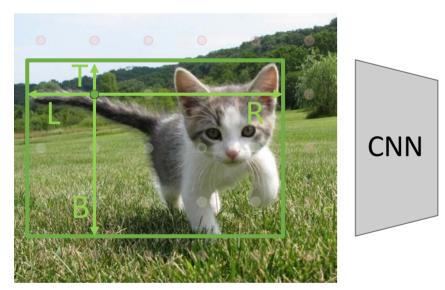
Finally, predict "centerness" for all positive points (using logistic regression loss)



$$centerness = \sqrt{\frac{\min(L,R)}{\max(L,R)} \cdot \frac{\min(T,B)}{\max(T,B)}}$$

Ranges from 1 at box center to 0 at box edge

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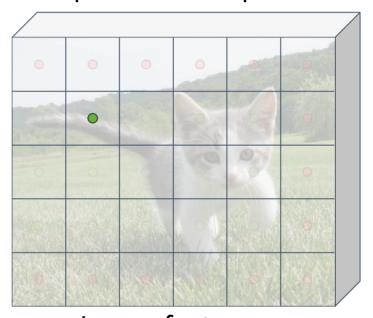
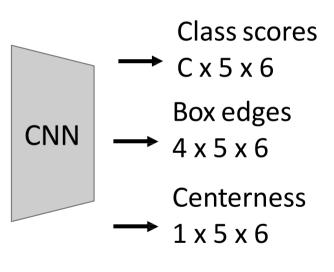


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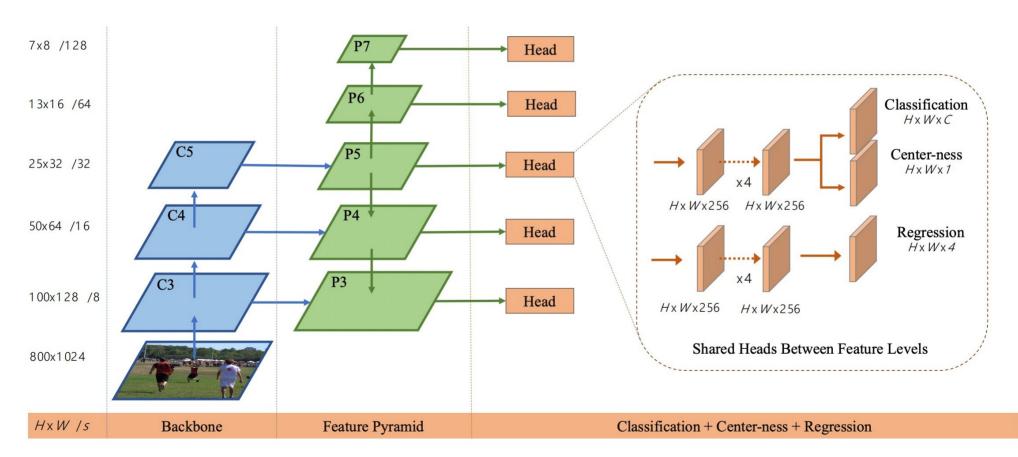
Test-time: predicted "confidence" for the box from each point is product of its class score and centerness



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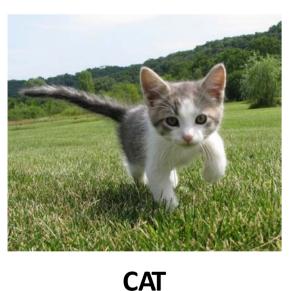
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FCOS also uses a Feature Pyramid Network with heads shared across stages



Summary: Beyond Image Classification

Classification



No spatial extent

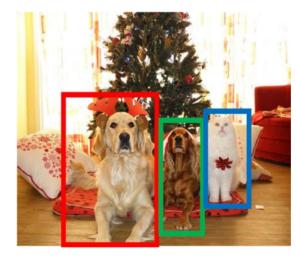
Semantic Segmentation



GRASS, CAT, TREE, SKY

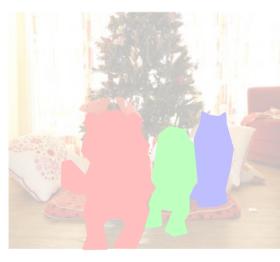
No objects, just pixels

Object Detection



DOG, DOG, CAT

Instance Segmentation

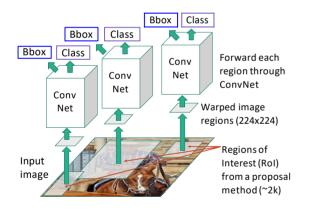


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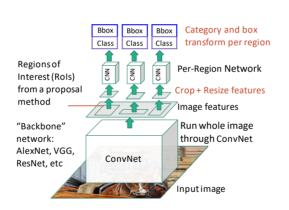
Multiple Objects

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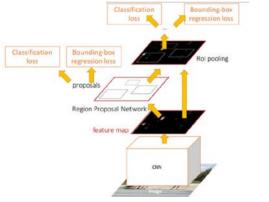
"Slow" R-CNN: Run CNN independently for each region

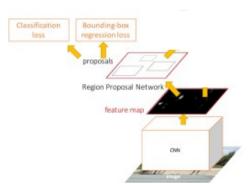


Fast R-CNN: Apply differentiable cropping to shared image features



Faster R-CNN: Compute proposals with CNN **Single-Stage**: Fully convolutional detector





With anchors: RetinaNet

Anchor-Free: FCOS

Next time: Image and Instance Segmentation