

Visual scene real-time analysis for Intelligent Vehicles:

Deep-Learning for visual scene analysis

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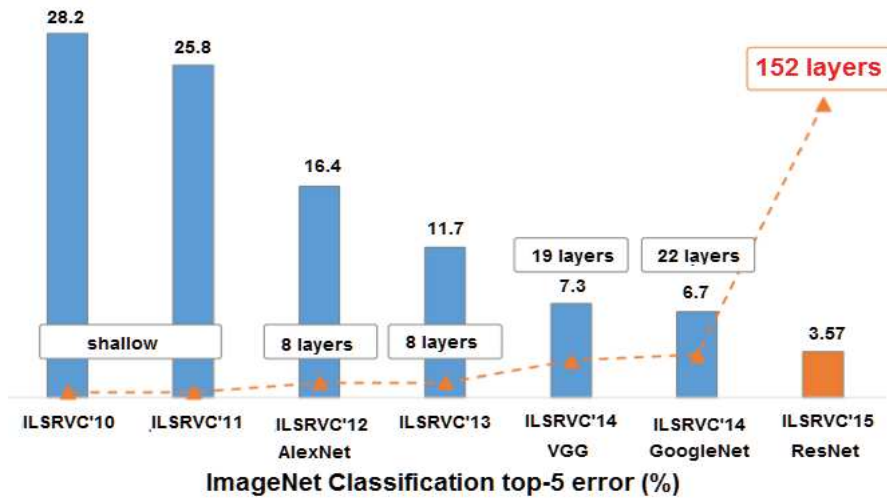
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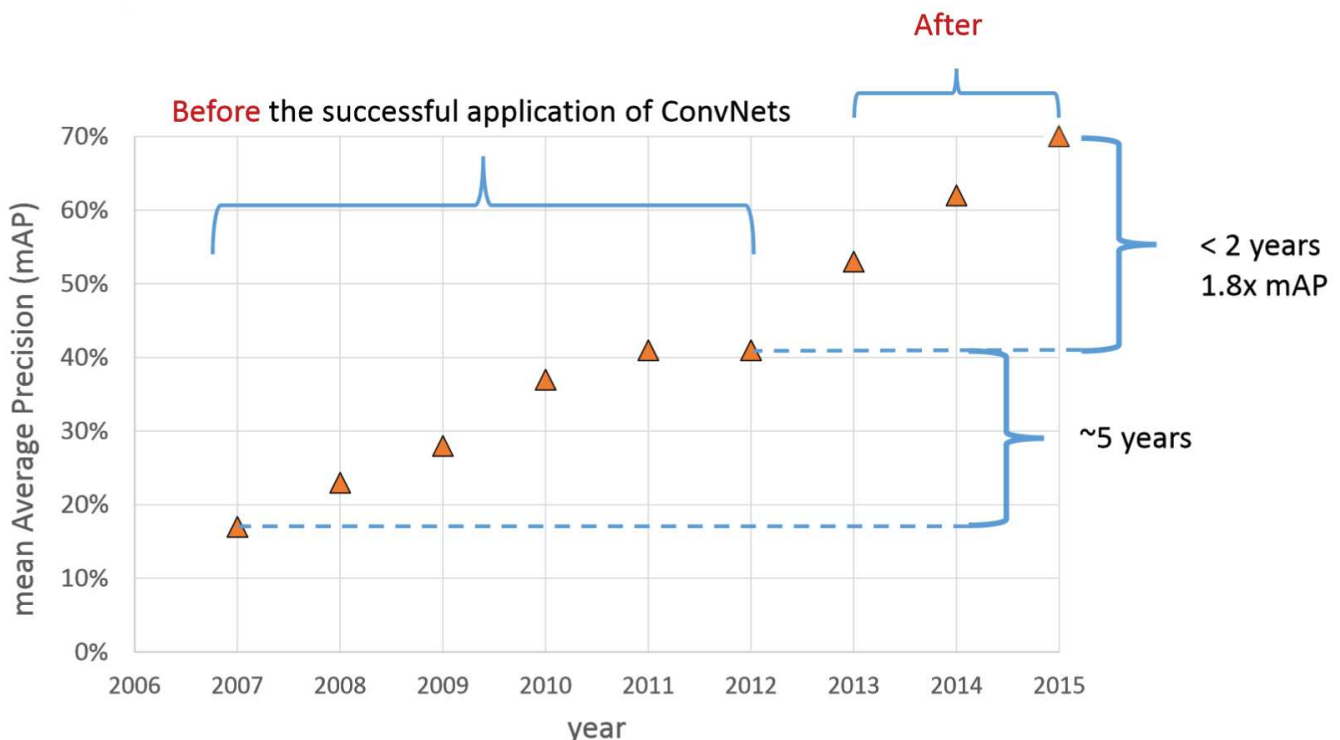
Since ~2012, Deep-Learning has brought very significant improvement over State-of-the-Art in Pattern Recognition and Image Semantic Analysis



- won many vision pattern recognition competitions (OCR, TSR, object categorization, facial expression,...)
- deployed in photo-tagging by Facebook, Google, Baidu,...

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Performance evolution of Pascal VOC object detection



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ImageNet Large Scale Visual Recognition Challenge

- Public dataset and benchmark
- Worldwide research competition on image classification and visual objects detection & recognition/categorization

		PASCAL VOC 2012	ILSVRC 2013
Number of object classes		20	200
Training	Num images	5717	395909
	Num objects	13609	345854
Validation	Num images	5823	20121
	Num objects	13841	55502
Testing	Num images	10991	40152
	Num objects	---	---

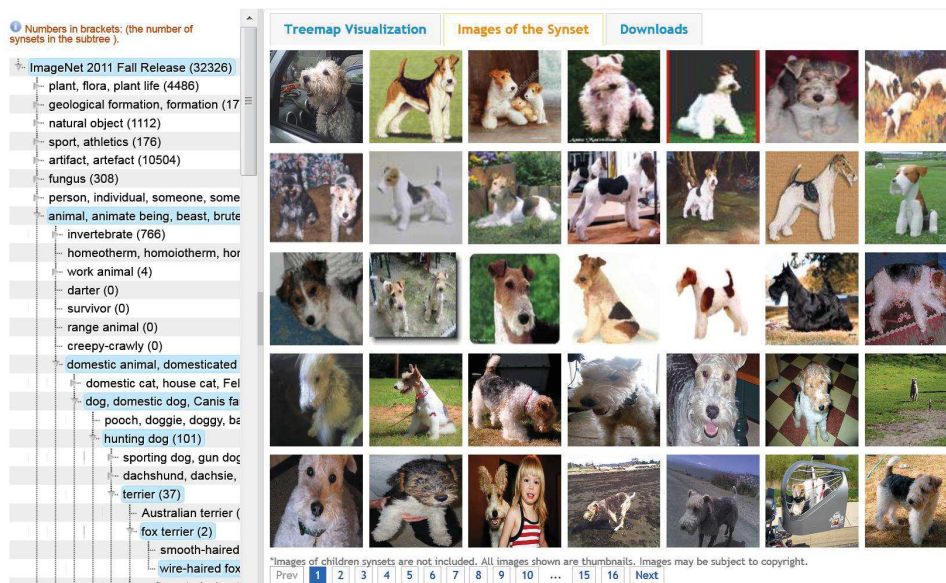
Dramatic scale increase in image challenges in 2013

Challenge won by Deep-Learning methods every year since 2012

ImageNet dataset

Huge dataset of labelled images:

- 1000 classes of objects
- > 1 million labelled examples



Importance of « features » in classical Machine-Learning



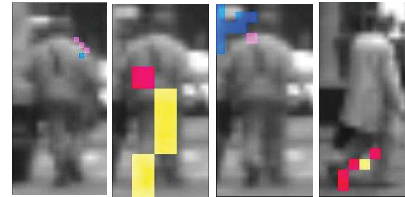
Traditional Machine Learning Flow

Examples of *hand-crafted* features

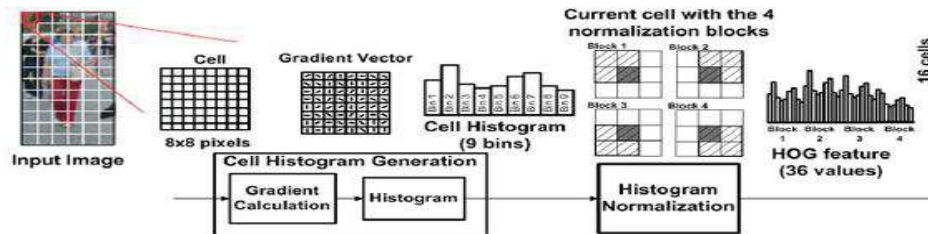
Haar features



Control-points features

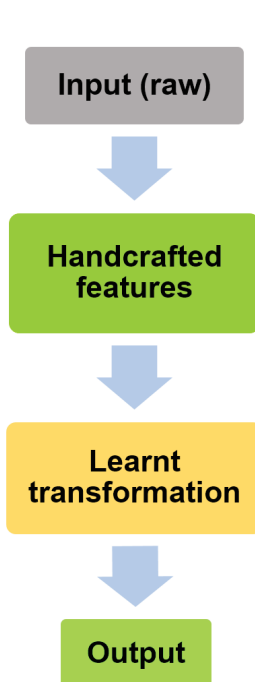


HoG (Histogram of Gradients)

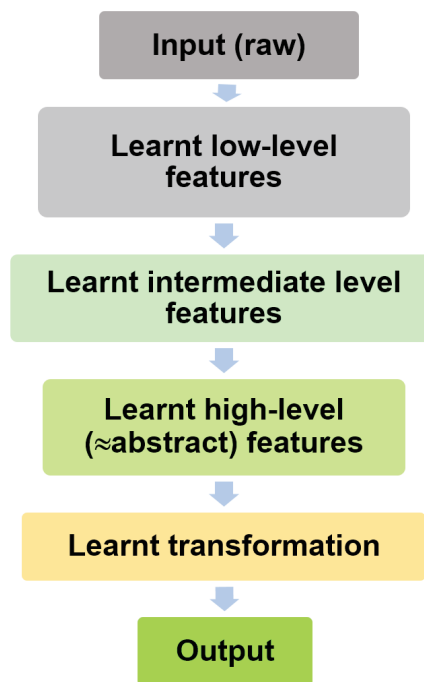


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Deep-Learning (DL) general principle



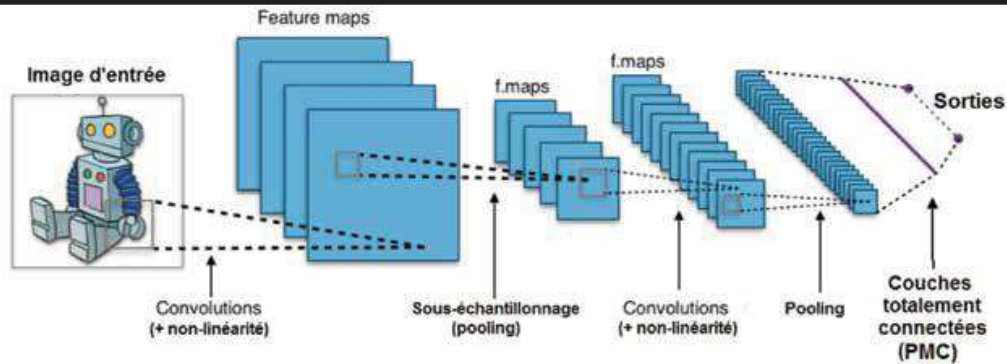
Shallow ML using *handcrafted* features



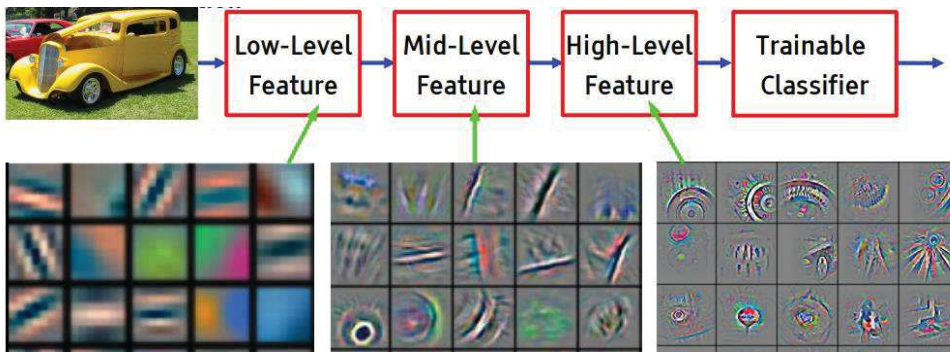
DL: *jointly* learn classification *and* features

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Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN, or ConvNet)

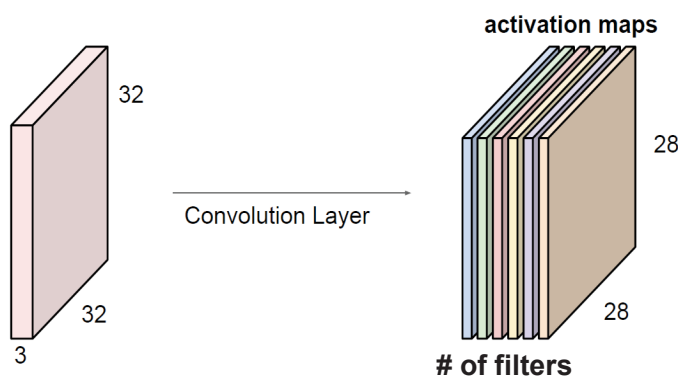


- For inputs with correlated dims (2D image, 1D signal,...)
- Succession of Convolutions and « pooling » layers

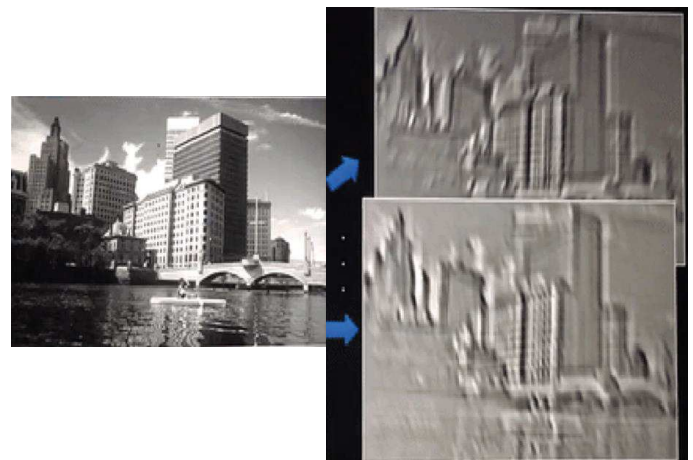


[Proposed in 1998 by Yann LeCun (French prof. @ NYU, now AI research director of Facebook)]

Convolution layers

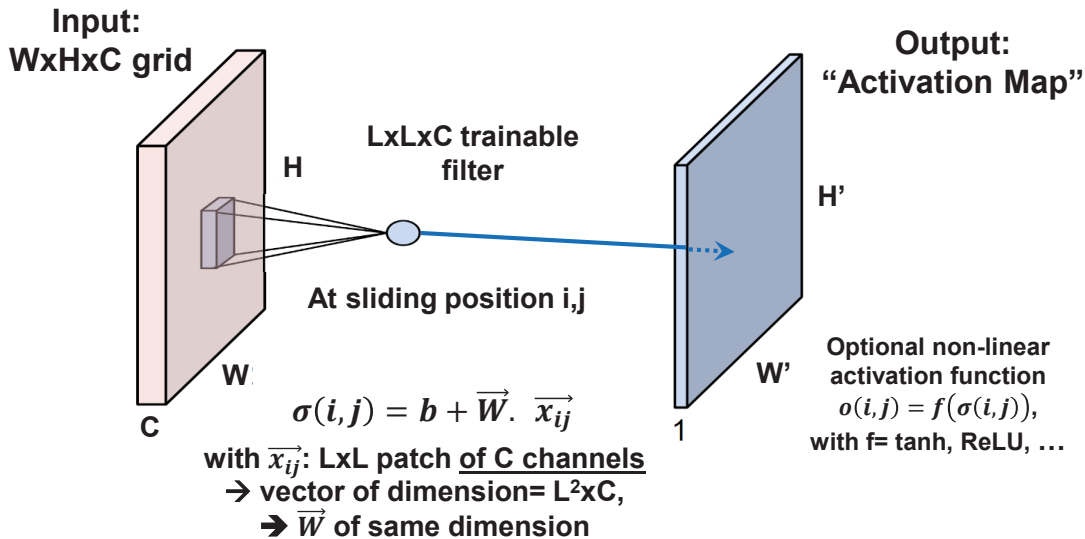


One “activation map” for each convolution filter



A Convolution layer applies several 3D filters to input image (or to input set of activation maps from previous layer)

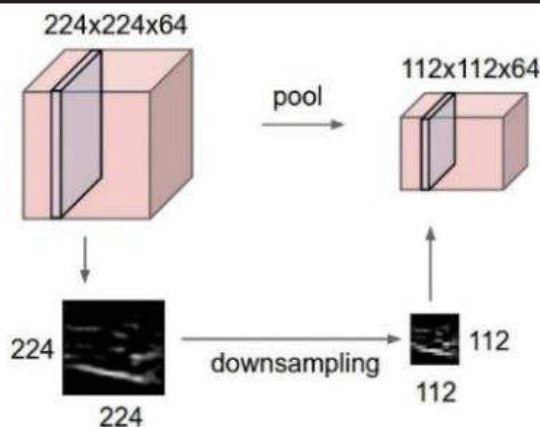
Convolution: sliding a 3D filter over a multi-channel image



For each filter, a grid of $W' \times H'$ neurons with shared weights \vec{W} (each neuron applies same filter at a different sliding position in input)

See illustrative animation at: <http://cs231n.github.io/convolutional-networks/>

Pooling layers

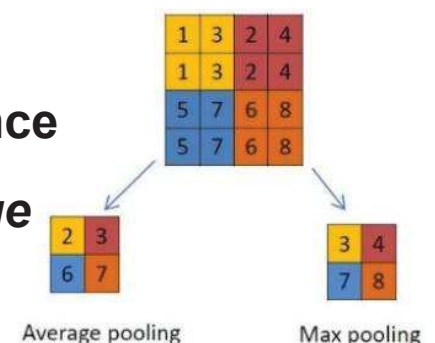


Pooling \approx Downsampling

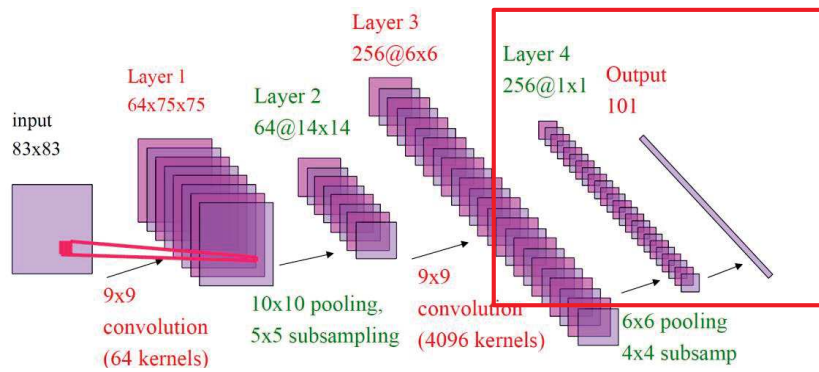
A pooling layer aggregates over space for:

- Dimension reduction
- Noise reduction
- Small translation and scaling invariance

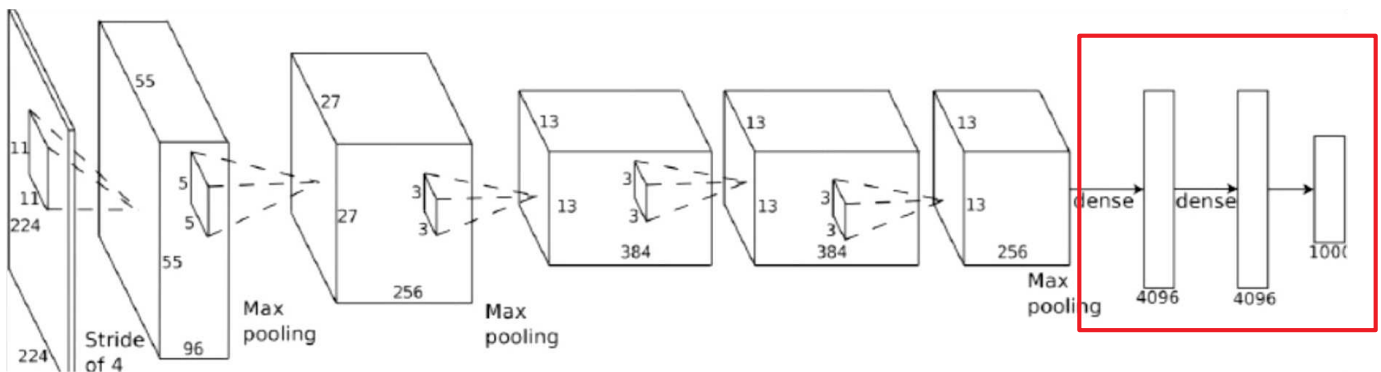
The pooling operation typically uses *average* or *max* on sets of 2×2 (or $p \times p$) pixels



Final classification layer: often classical fully-connected MLP

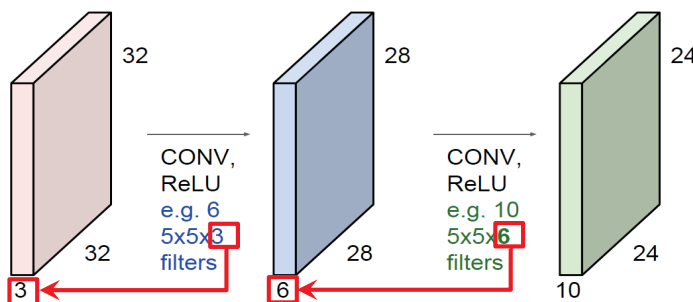


AlexNet

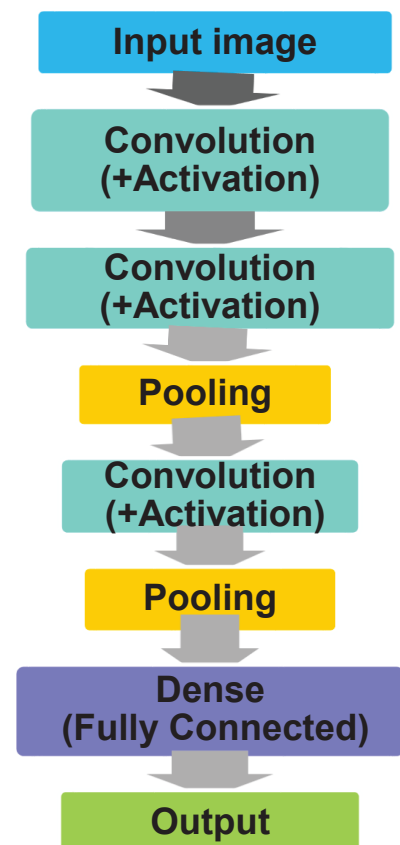


Global architecture of a convNet

Succession of Convolution (+ optional activation) layers and Pooling layers, which extract the hierarchy of features, followed by dense (fully connected) layer(s) for final classification



NB: each convolution layer processes FULL DEPTH of previous set of activation maps

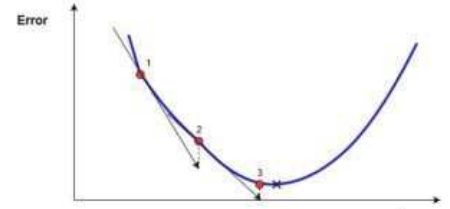


ConvNet training

All successive layers of a convNet forms a Deep neural network (with weigh-sharing inside each conv. Layer, and specific pooling layers).

Training = optimizing values of weights&biases

Method used = gradient descent



→ Stochastic Gradient Descent (SGD), using back-propagation:

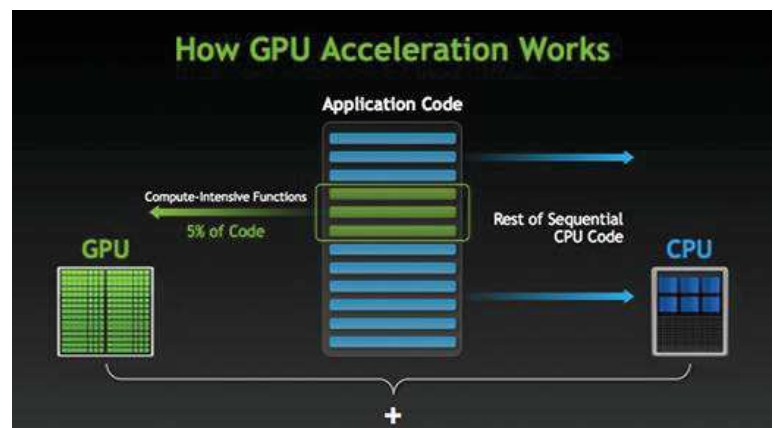
- Input 1 (or a few) random training sample(s)
- Propagate
- Calculate error (loss)
- Back-propagate through all layers from end to input, to compute gradient
- Update convolution filter weights

convNets and GPU

Good convNets are very big (millions of parameters!)

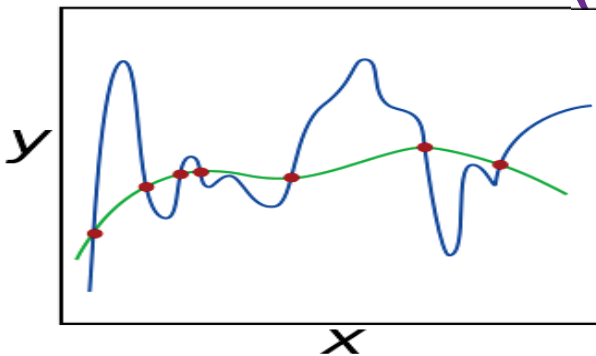
Training generally performed on BIG datasets

- Training can be extremely computer-intensive
- More manageable using **GPU (Graphical Processing Unit) acceleration** for ultra-parallel processing



- Importance of input normalization
(zero mean, unit variance)
- Importance of weights initialization
random but SMALL and prop. to $1/\sqrt{\text{nbInputs}}$
- Decreasing (or adaptive) learning rate
- Importance of training set size
ConvNets often have a LARGE number of free parameters
→ train them with a sufficiently large training-set !
- Avoid overfitting by:
 - Use of L1 or L2 regularization (after some epochs)
 - Use « *Dropout* » regularization (esp. on large FC layers)

Avoid overfitting using L1/L2 regularization (« weight decay »)



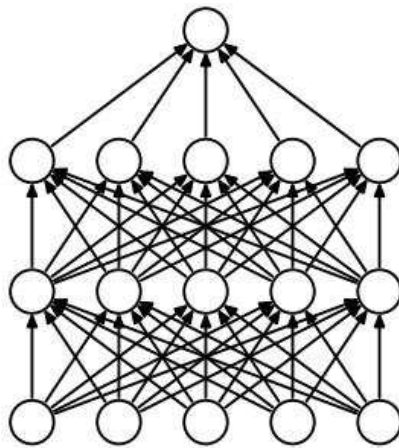
Trying to fit too many free parameters with not enough information can lead to overfitting

Regularization = *penalizing too complex models*
Often done by adding a special term to cost function

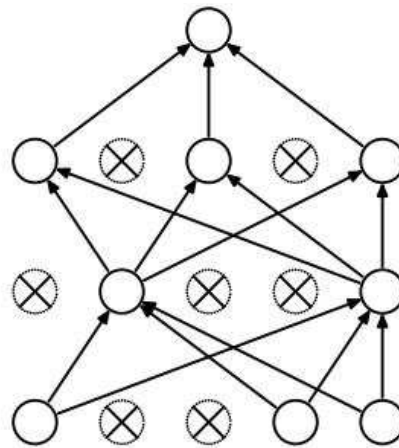
For neural network, the regularization term is just the L2- or L1- norm L2 of the vector of all weights:

$$K = \sum_m (\text{loss}(Y_m, D_m)) + \beta \sum_{ij} |W_{ij}|^p \quad \text{with } p=2 \text{ (L2) or } p=1 \text{ (L1)}$$

→ name « Weight decay »



(a) Standard Neural Net

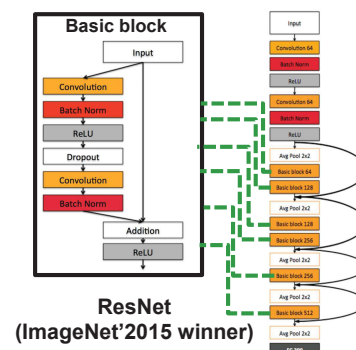
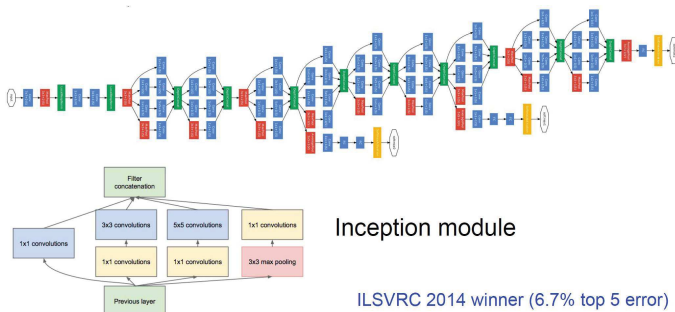


(b) After applying dropout.

At each training stage, individual nodes can be temporarily "dropped out" of the net with probability p (usually ~ 0.5), or re-installed with last values of weights

ImageNet dataset and state-of-the-art convNets

- The most performant ConvNets have millions of trainable weights, so they must be trained on very large datasets
- Training on ImageNet, was an essential factor of their recognition performances



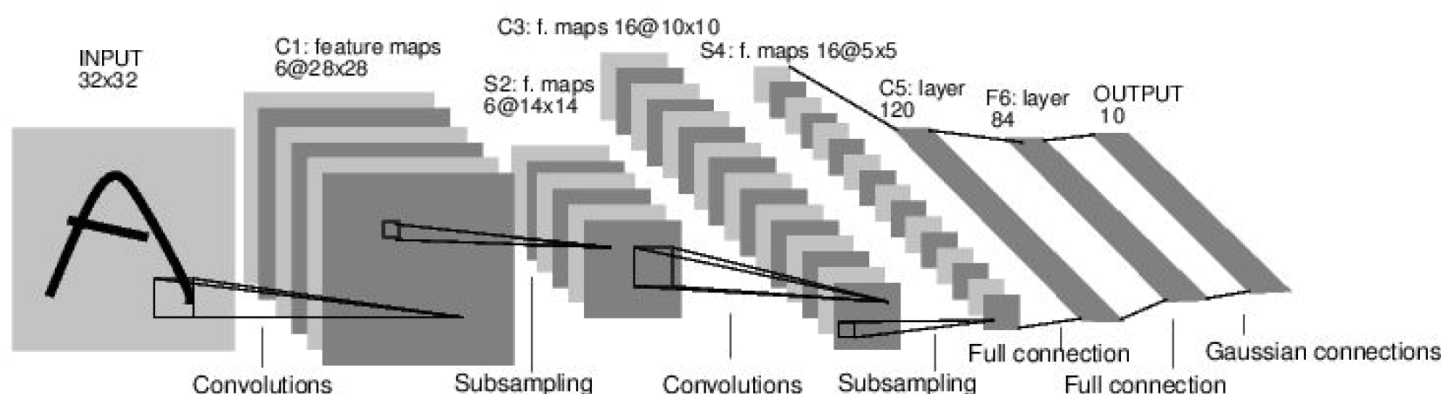
- Every year, a new ImageNet challenge winner, with better accuracy using new ConvNet architecture & algo
- Those general-purpose pre-trained image classifiers (AlexNet, GoogleNet_Inception, ResNet, etc...) are publicly available

- **LeNet:** 1st successful applications of ConvNets, by Yann LeCun in 1990's. Used to read zip codes, digits, etc.
- **AlexNet:** Beginning of ConvNet “buzz”: largely outperformed competitors in ImageNet_ILSVRC2012 challenge. Developed by Alex Krizhevsky et al., architecture similar to LeNet (but deeper+larger, and some chained ConvLayers before Pooling). 60 M parameters !
- **GoogLeNet:** ILSVRC 2014 winner, developed by Google. Introduced an *Inception Module*, + AveragePooling instead of FullyConnected layer at output. Dramatic reduction of number of parameters (4M, compared to AlexNet with 60M).
- **VGGNet:** Runner-up in ILSVRC 2014. Very deep (16 CONV/FC layers) → 140M parameters !!
- **ResNet:** ILSVRC 2015, “Residual Network” introducing “skip” connections. Currently ~ SoA in convNet. Very long training but fast execution.

LeNet, for digits/letters recognition

[LeCun et al., 1998]

Input: 32x32 image

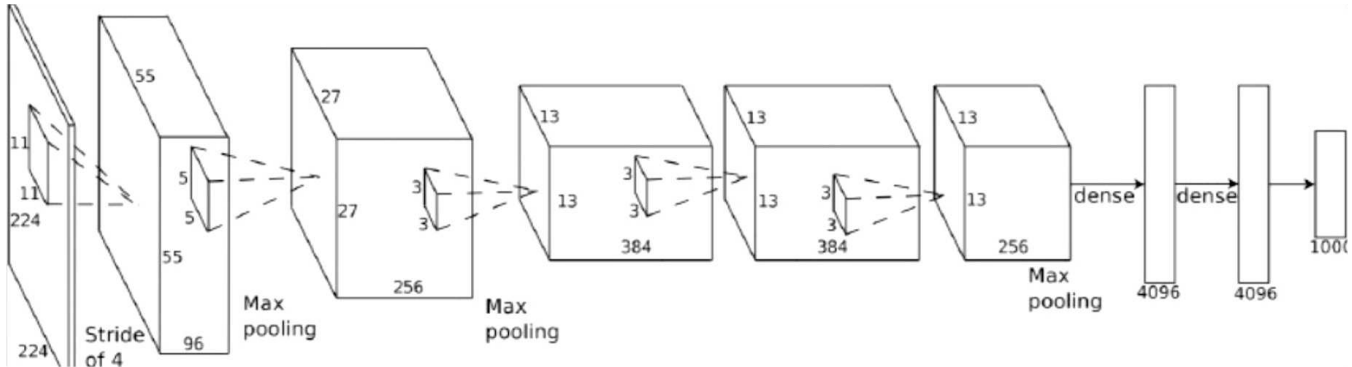


Conv filters were 5x5, applied at stride 1
 Subsampling (Pooling) layers were 2x2 applied at stride 2
 i.e. architecture is [CONV-POOL-CONV-POOL-CONV-FC]

AlexNet, for image categorisation

[Krizhevsky et al. 2012]

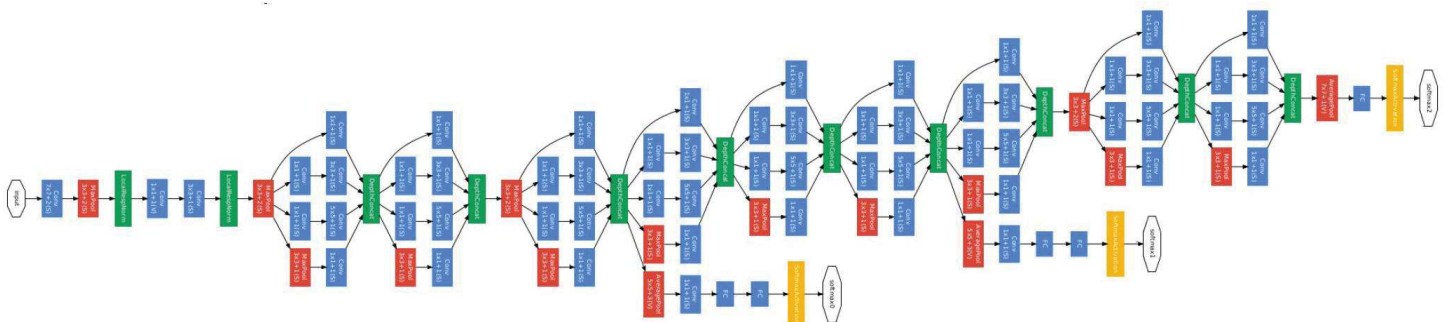
Input: 224x224x3 image



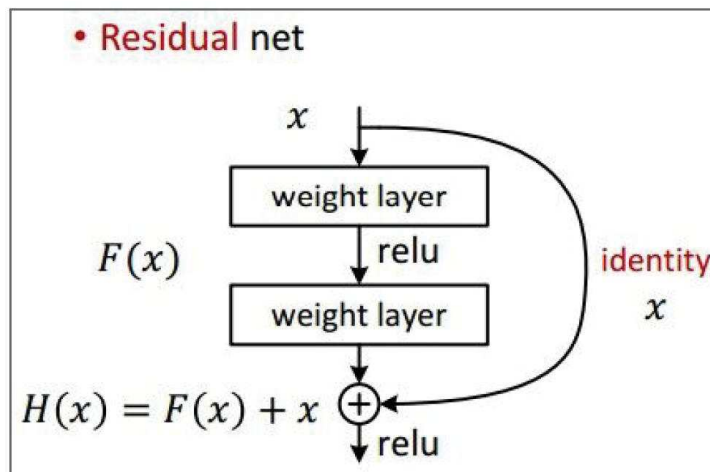
60 million parameters !...

GoogleNet

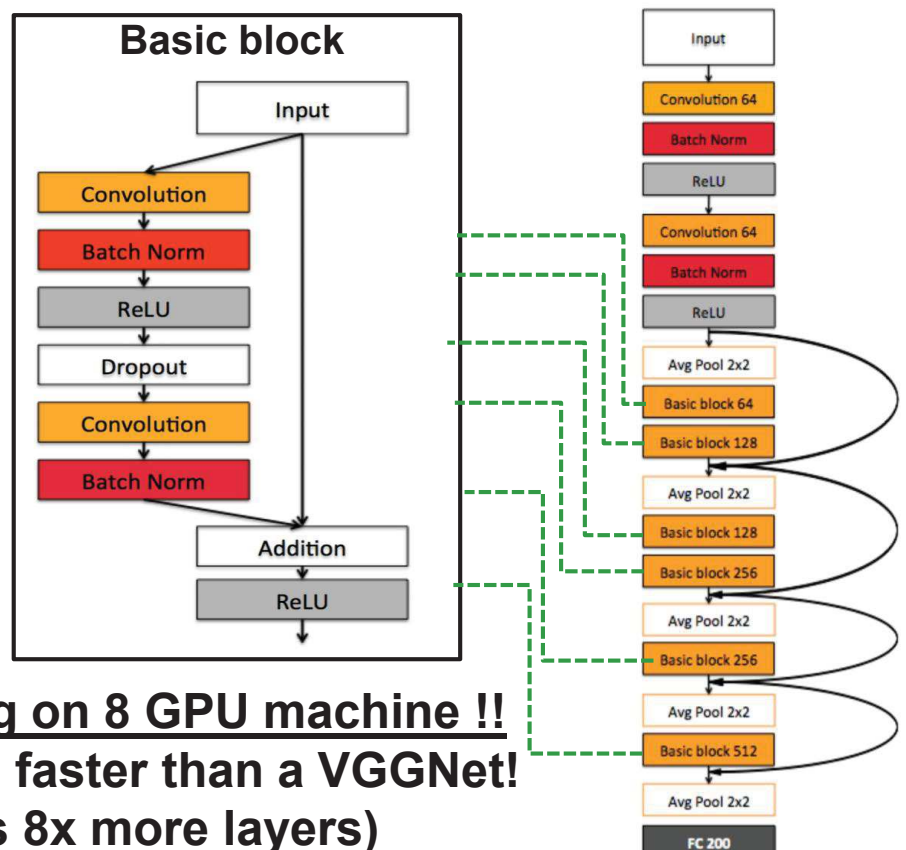
[Szegedy et al., 2014]



- ILSVRC 2015 large winner in 5 main tracks (3.6% top 5 error)
- 152 layers!!!
- But novelty = "skip" connections

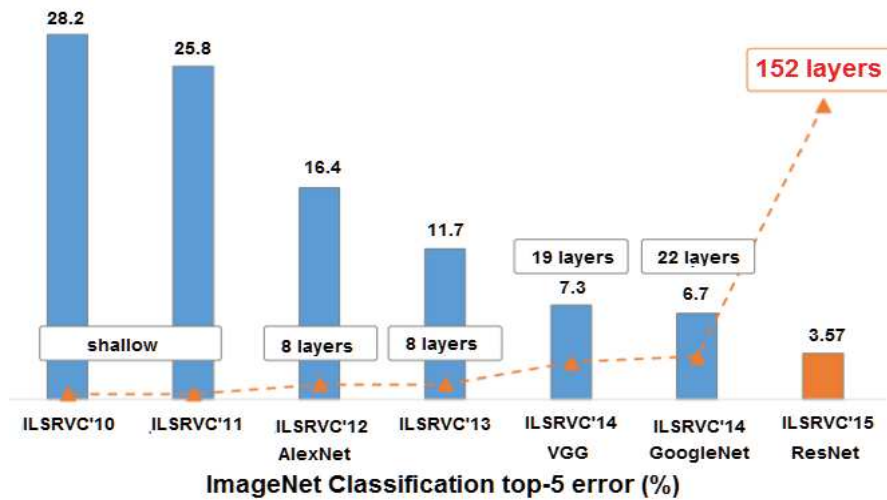


ResNet global architecture



- 2-3 weeks of training on 8 GPU machine !!
- However, at runtime faster than a VGGNet! (even though it has 8x more layers)

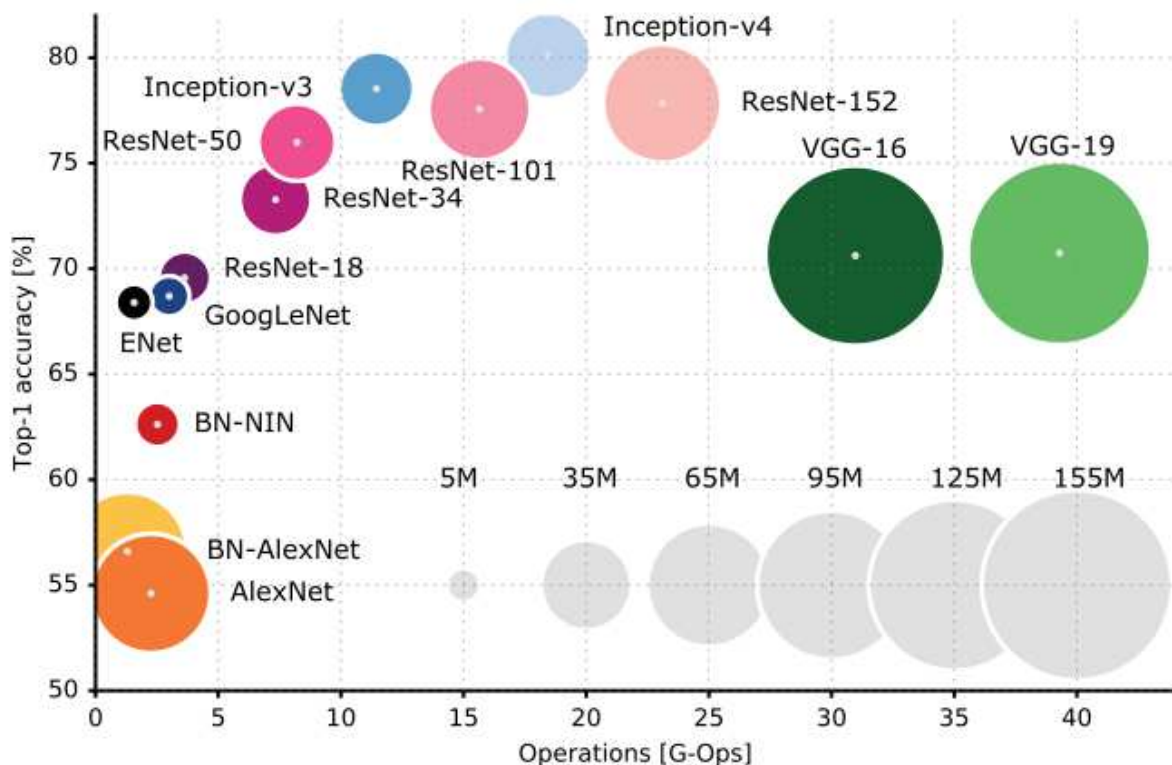
Summary of recent ConvNet history



But most important is the choice of **ARCHITECTURAL STRUCTURE**

+ More and more modified architectures for tasks other than just image classification

Performance comparisons of common pre-trained convNets



- **TensorFlow** <https://www.tensorflow.org>
- **KERAS** <https://keras.io>
Python front-end APIs mapped either on Tensor-Flow or Theano back-end
- **PyTorch** <https://pytorch.org/>
- **Caffe** <http://caffe.berkeleyvision.org/>
C++ library, hooks from Python → notebooks
- **Theano** <http://www.deeplearning.net/software/theano/>
- **Lasagne** <http://lasagne.readthedocs.io>
lightweight library to build+train neural nets in Theano

**All of them handle transparent use of GPU,
and most of them are used in Python code/notebook**

Example of convNet code in Keras

```
model = Sequential()

# 1 set of (Convolution+Pooling) layers, with Dropout
model.add(Convolution2D(conv_depth_1, kernel_size, kernel_size,
                        border_mode='valid', input_shape=(depth, height, width)))
model.add(MaxPooling2D(pool_size=(pooling_size, pooling_size)) )
model.add(Activation('relu'))
model.add(Dropout(drop_prob))

# Now flatten to 1D, and apply 1 Fully_Connected layer
model.add(Flatten())
model.add(Dense(hidden_size1, init='lecun_uniform'))
model.add(Activation('sigmoid'))

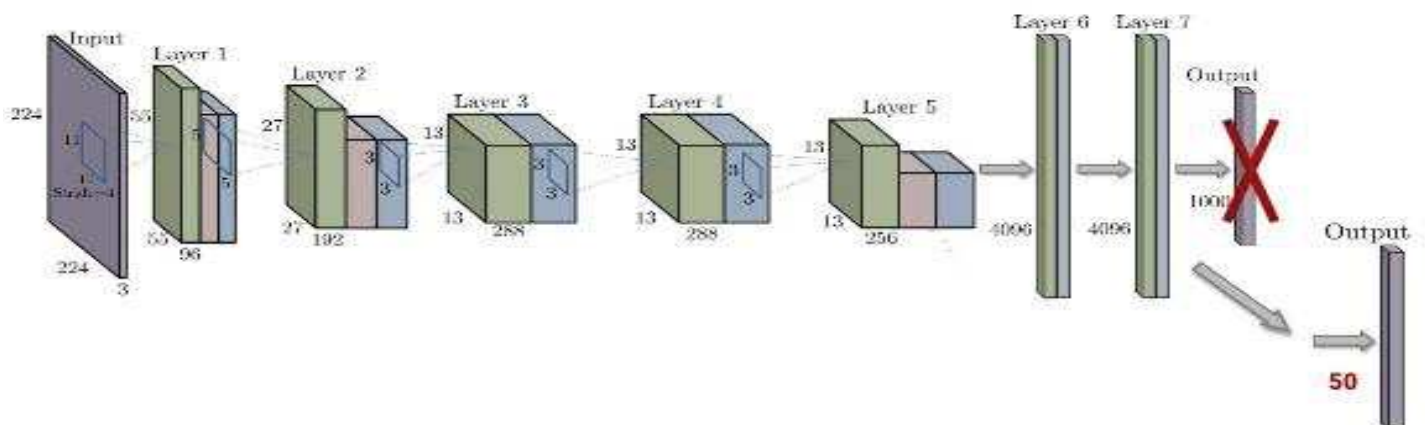
# Finally add a Softmax output layer, with 1 neuron per class
model.add(Dense(num_classes, init='lecun_uniform'))
model.add(Activation('softmax'))

# Training "session
sgd = SGD(lr=learning_rate, momentum=0.8) # Optimizer
model.compile(loss='categorical_crossentropy', optimizer=sgd)
model.fit(X_train, Y_train, batch_size=32, nb_epoch=2, verbose=1,
        validation_split=validation_proportion)

# Evaluate the trained model on the test set
model.evaluate(X_test, Y_test, verbose=1)
```

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Generality of learnt representation + Transfer learning

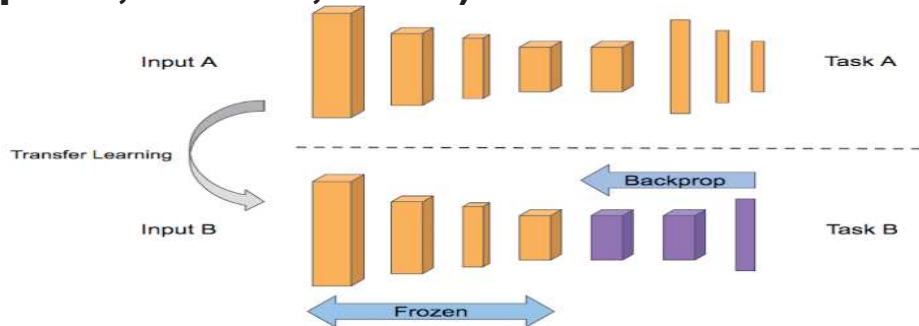


By removing last layer(s) (those for classification) of a convNet trained on ImageNet, one obtains a transformation of any input image into a semi-abstract representation, which can be used for learning SOMETHING ELSE (« transfer learning »):

- either by just using learnt representation as features
- or by creating new convNet output and perform learning of new output layers + fine-tuning of re-used layers

Transfer learning

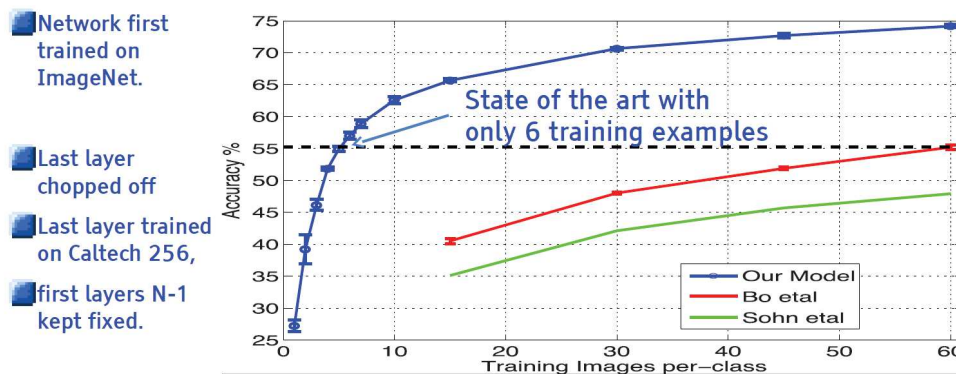
- SoA convNets winning ImageNet are image CLASSIFIERS for one object per image
- Many object categories can be irrelevant (e.g. boat when onboard a car)
- For each particular application, models are usually obtained from state-of-the-art ConvNets pre-trained on ImageNet (winners of yearly challenge, eg: AlexNet, VGG, Inception, ResNet, etc...)



- Adaptation is performed by Transfer Learning, ie modification+training of last layers and/or fine-tuning of pre-trained weights of lower layers

Transfer Learning and fine-tuning

- Using a CNN pre-trained on a large dataset, possible to adapt it to another task, using only a SMALL training set!



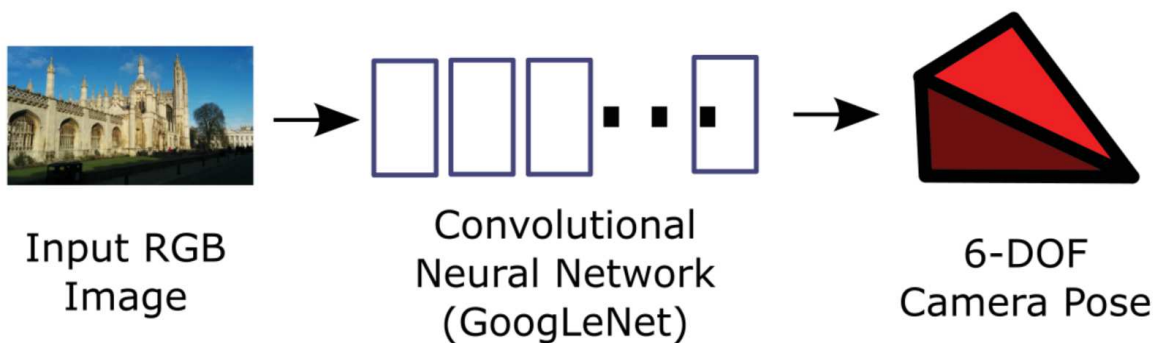
- Network first trained on ImageNet.
- Last layer chopped off
- Last layer trained on Caltech 256, first layers N-1 kept fixed.
- State of the art accuracy with only 6 training samples/class

# Train	Acc % 15/class	Acc % 30/class	Acc % 45/class	Acc % 60/class
Sohn et al. [16]	35.1	42.1	45.7	47.9
Bo et al. [3]	40.5 ± 0.4	48.0 ± 0.2	51.9 ± 0.2	55.2 ± 0.3
Non-pretr.	9.0 ± 1.4	22.5 ± 0.7	31.2 ± 0.5	38.8 ± 1.4
ImageNet-pretr.	65.7 ± 0.2	70.6 ± 0.2	72.7 ± 0.4	74.2 ± 0.3

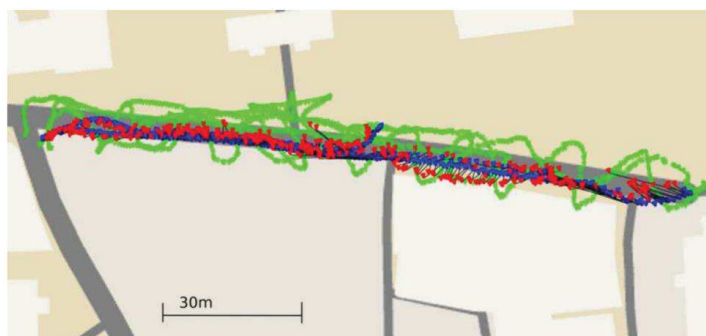
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- Learning on simulated synthetic images + fine-tuning on real-world images
- Recognition/classification for OTHER categories or classes
- Training an objects detector (or a semantic segmenter)
- Precise localization (position+bearing) = PoseNet
- End-to-end driving (imitation Learning)
- 3D informations (depth map) from monovision!

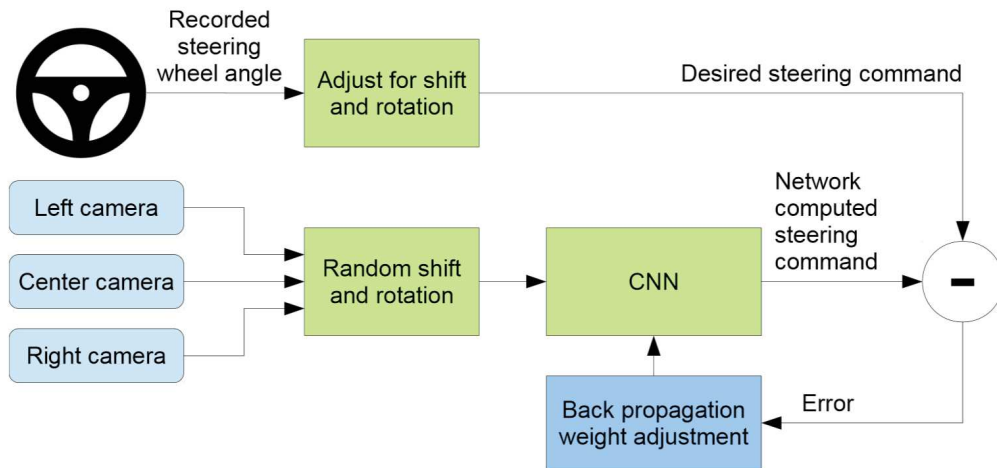
Transfer-Learning for 6-DOF Camera Relocalization



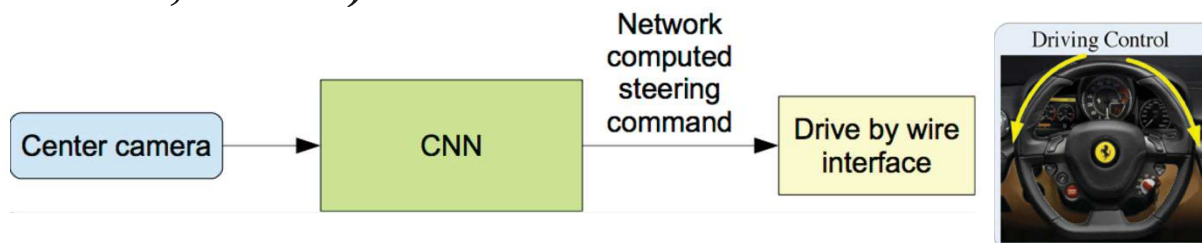
[A. Kendall, M. Grimes & R. Cipolla, "PoseNet: A Convolutional Network for Real-Time 6-DOF Camera Relocalization", ICCV'2015, pp. 2938-2946]



King's College



- End-to-end driving by « *imitation Learning* » (nVidia, Valeo)



```
from keras.applications.inception_v3 import InceptionV3
from keras.preprocessing import image
from keras.models import Model
from keras.layers import Dense, GlobalAveragePooling2D
from keras import backend as K
# create the base pre-trained model base_model = InceptionV3(weights='imagenet',
                                                                    include_top=False)

# add a global spatial average pooling layer
x = base_model.output
x = GlobalAveragePooling2D()(x)
# let's add a fully-connected layer
x = Dense(1024, activation='relu')(x)
# and a logistic layer -- let's say we have 200 classes
predictions = Dense(200, activation='softmax')(x)
# this is the model we will train
model = Model(input=base_model.input, output=predictions)
# first: train only the top layers (which were randomly initialized)
# i.e. freeze all convolutional InceptionV3 layers
for layer in base_model.layers:
    layer.trainable = False
# compile the model (should be done *after* setting layers to non-trainable)
model.compile(optimizer='rmsprop', loss='categorical_crossentropy')
# train the model on the new data for a few epochs
model.fit_generator(...)
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Classification vs Detection

Classification



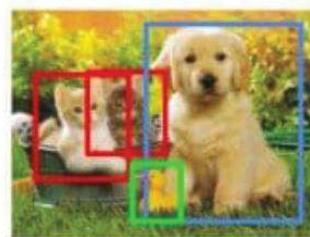
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Classification + Localization

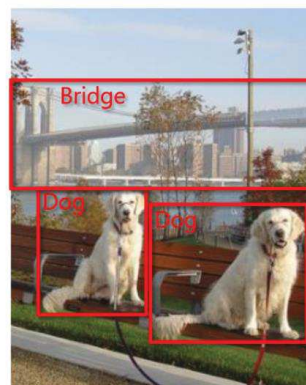
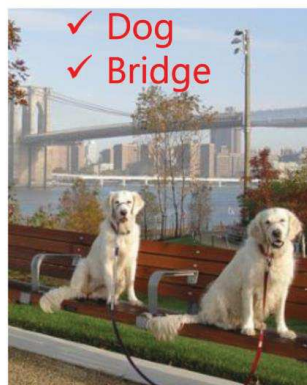


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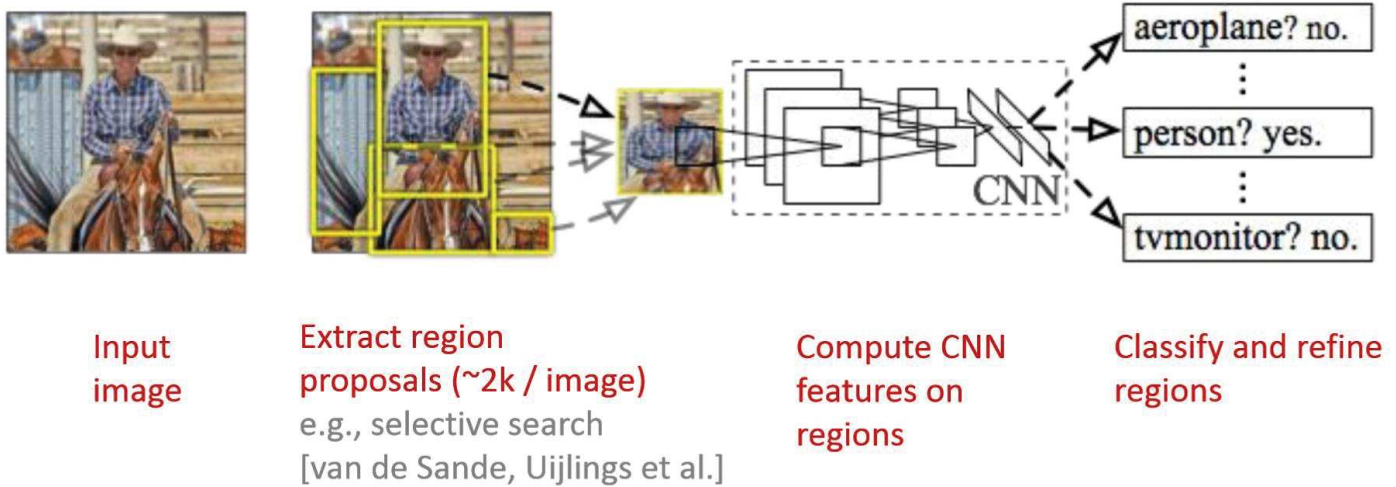
Object Detection



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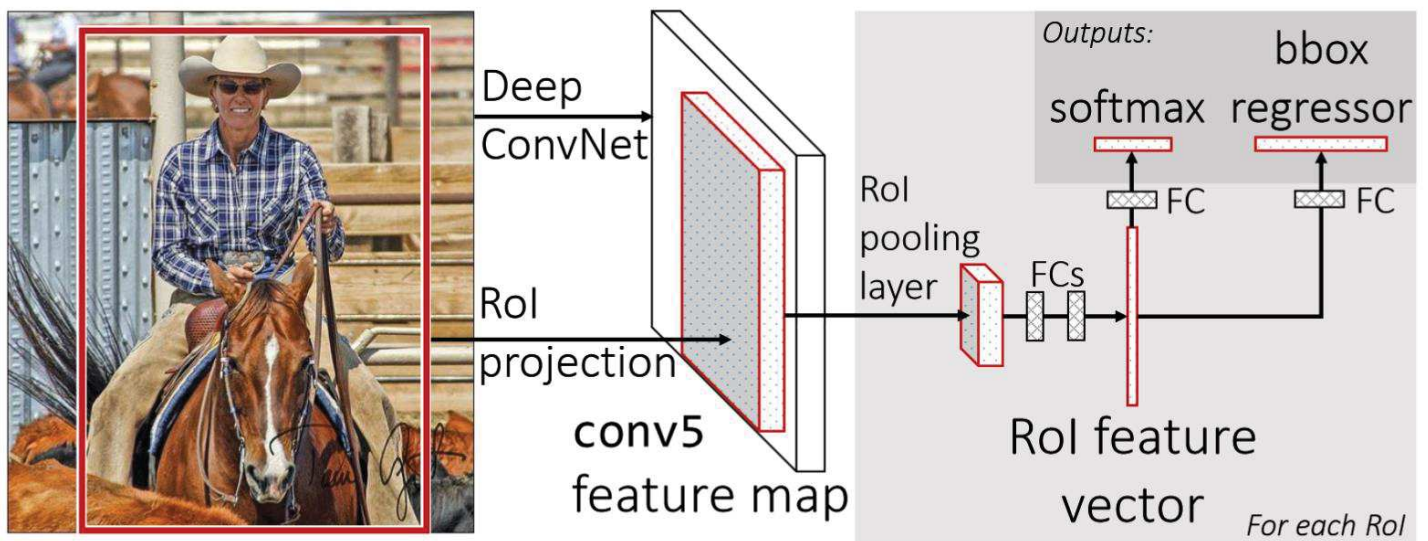


First simple idea: R-CNN

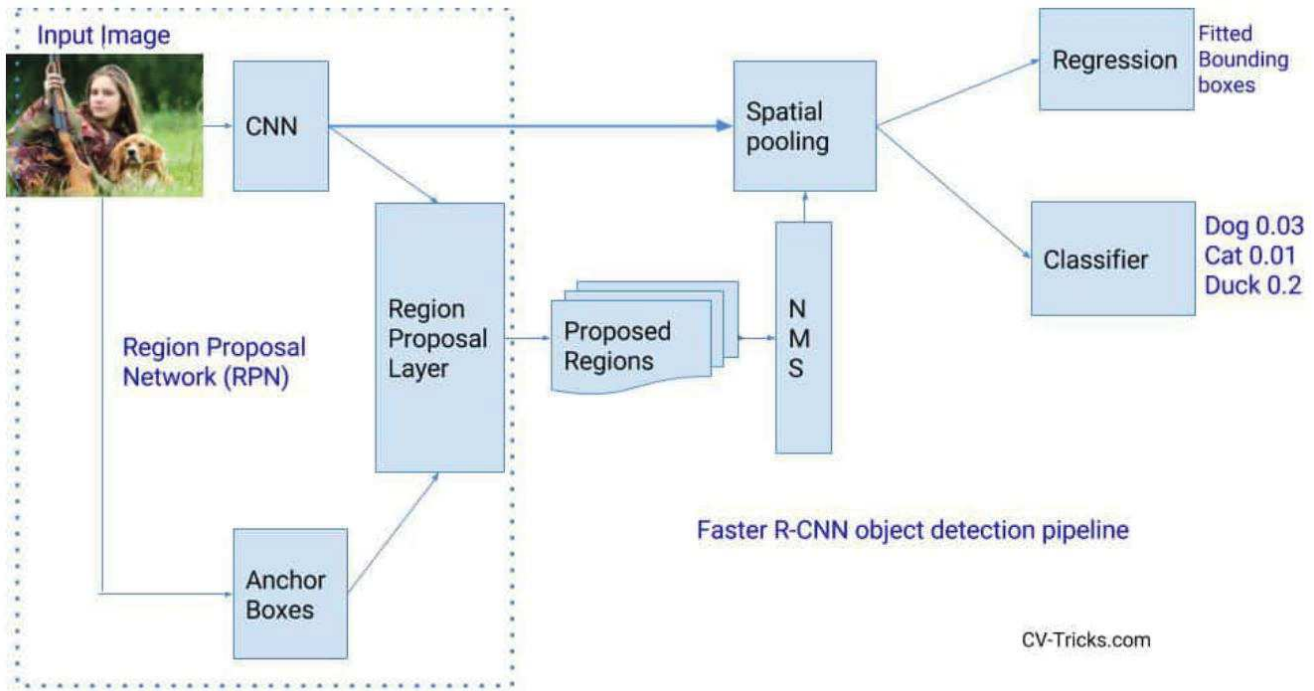


Very slow + rather approximate bounding-boxes

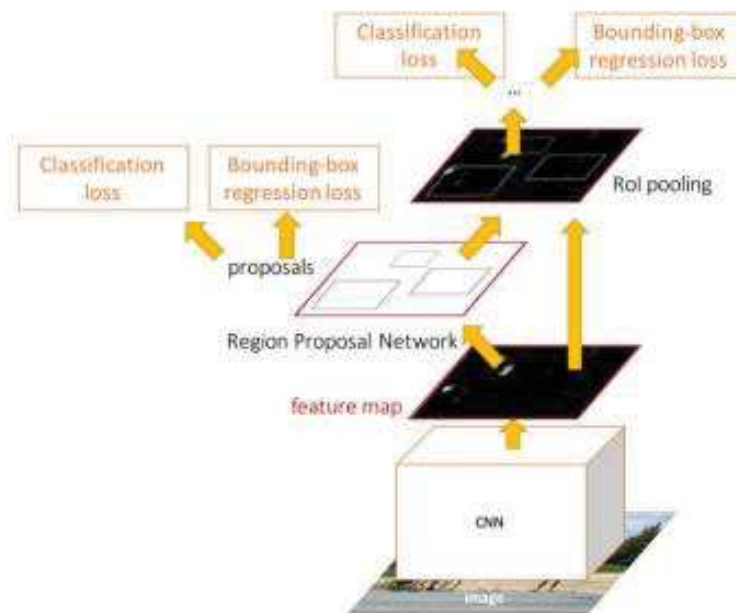
Better: Fast R-CNN



Learn a bounding-box regressor together with the class estimation (combination of 2 losses)



Learn also a « Region Proposal Network »
→ objects' bounding-boxes.



Combining 4 losses!

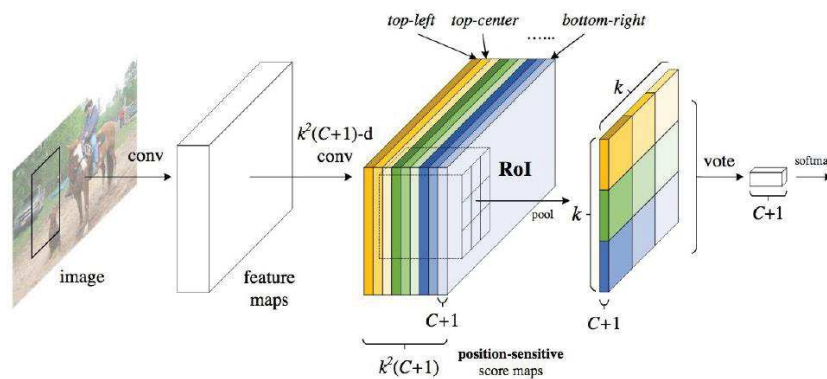
• History

- **R-CNN**: Selective search → Cropped Image → CNN
- **Fast R-CNN**: Selective search → Crop feature map of CNN
- **Faster R-CNN**: CNN → Region-Proposal Network
→ Crop feature map of CNN

- Best performances, but longest run-time
- End-to-end, multi-task loss

[<https://github.com/endernewton/tf-faster-rcnn>]

R-FCN



- Addresses translation-variance in detection
 - Position-sensitive ROI-pooling
- Good balance between speed & performance
 - 2.5 - 20x faster than Faster R-CNN

<https://github.com/daijifeng001/R-FCN>

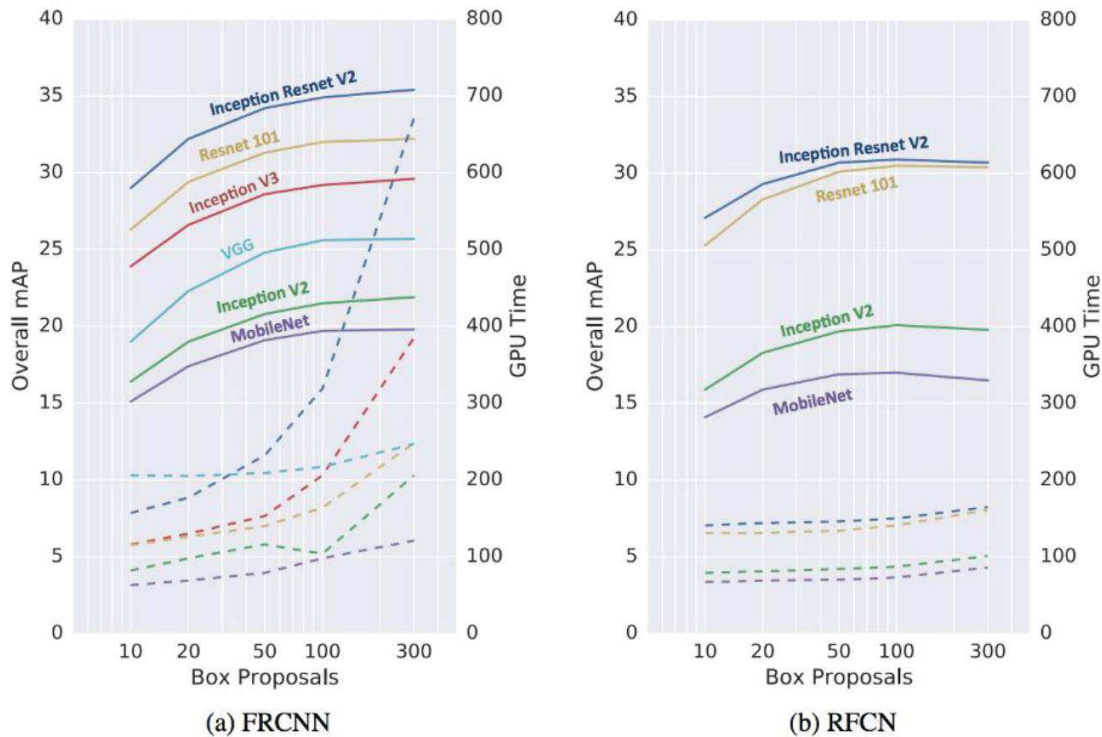


Image from: <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1611.10012.pdf>

Example video of objects visual simultaneous detection and categorization with R-CNN



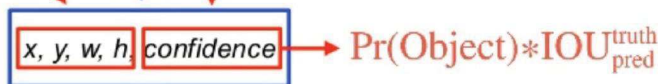
Unified Detection

- All BBox, All classes

1) Image $\rightarrow S \times S$ grids

2) grid cell

\rightarrow **B**: BBoxes and Confidence score



\rightarrow **C**: class probabilities w.r.t #classes

$\text{Pr}(\text{Class}_i | \text{Object})$

Slide from: <https://www.slideshare.net/TaegyunJeon1/pr12-you-only-look-once-yolo-unified-realtime-object-detection>

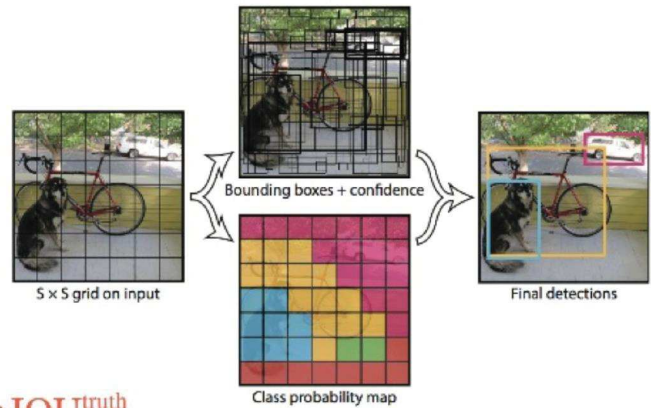


Figure 2: The Model. Our system models detection as a regression problem. It divides the image into an $S \times S$ grid and for each grid cell predicts B bounding boxes, confidence for those boxes, and C class probabilities. These predictions are encoded as an $S \times S \times (B * 5 + C)$ tensor.

YOLO limitations and v2 improvements

- Groups of small objects
- Unusual aspect ratios
- Localization error of bounding boxes

\rightarrow YOLOv2: Many improvements
+ Custom architecture – Darknet
(instead InceptionNet for YOLO)

YOLO (darknet) - <https://pjreddie.com/darknet/yolov1/> (C++)

YOLO v2 (darknet) - <https://pjreddie.com/darknet/yolov2/> (C++)

- Better and faster - 91 fps for 288 x 288

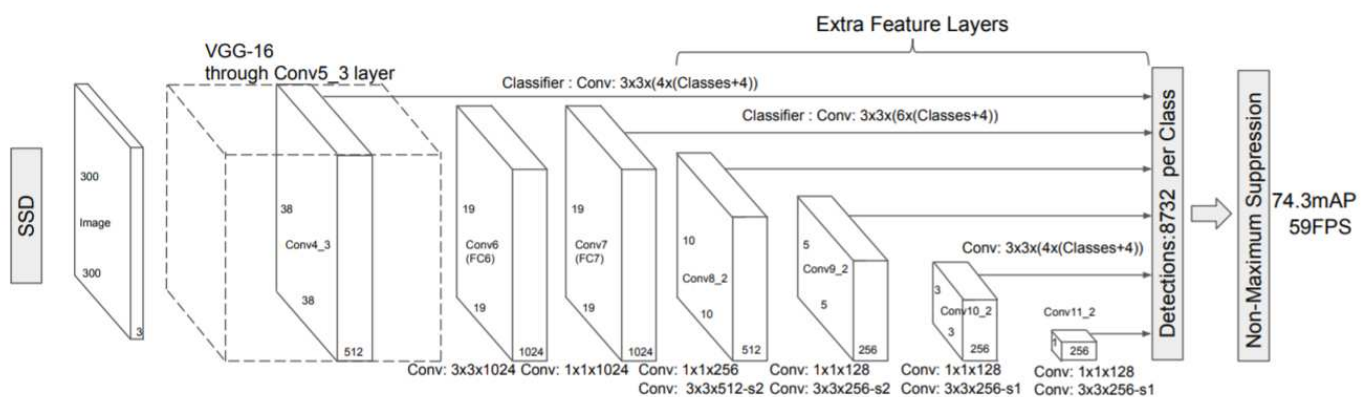
YOLO v3 (darknet) - <https://pjreddie.com/darknet/yolo/> (C++)

YOLO (caffe) - <https://github.com/xingwangsfu/caffe-yolo>

YOLO (tensorflow) - <https://github.com/thtrieu/darkflow>

SSD (Single Shot Detector)

Architecture



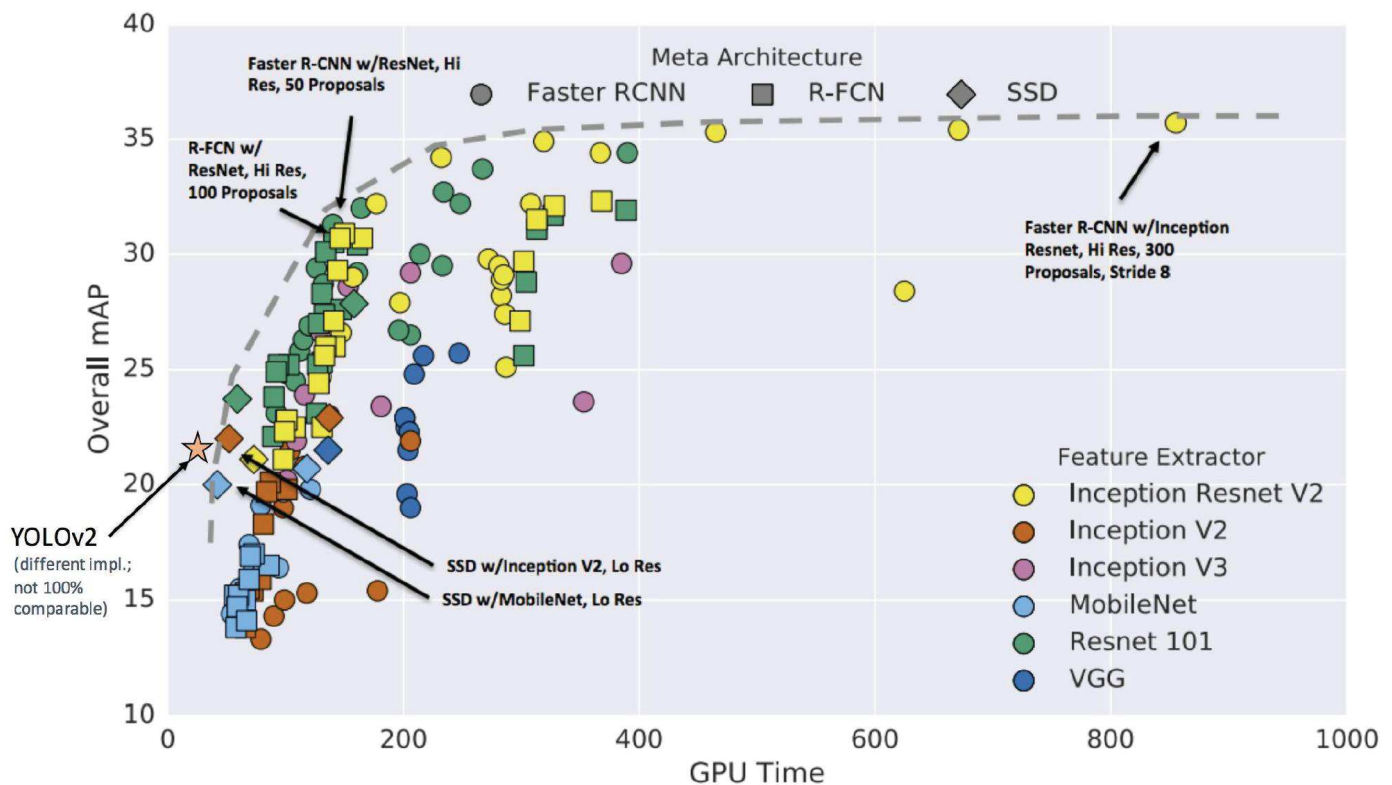
Slower but more accurate than YOLO
Faster but less accurate than Faster_R-CNN

SSD (caffe) - <https://github.com/weiliu89/caffe/tree/ssd>

SSD (tensorflow) - <https://github.com/balancap/SSD-Tensorflow>

SSD (pytorch) - <https://github.com/amdegroot/ssd.pytorch>

Recent comparison of convNets for object detection



Training sets for Visual objects detection

- Training a visual objects detector requires a training set containing images **WITH BOUNDING-BOXES** (or even mask) **ANNOTATION**
- Two main « reference » training sets of this type:
 - Pascal VOC (Visual Object Class)
<http://host.robots.ox.ac.uk/pascal/VOC/>
 - Coco (Common Objects in Context)
[more classes + MASK annotations]
<http://cocodataset.org/>



VOC and COCO categories

VOC categories

aeroplane
bicycle
bird
boat
bottle
bus
car
cat
chair
cow
diningtable
dog
horse
motorbike
person
pottedplant
sheep
sofa
train
tvmonitor

COCO categories

person	backpack	Apple	microwave
bicycle	umbrella	Sandwich	oven
car	handbag	Orange	toaster
motorbike	tie	broccoli	sink
aeroplane	suitcase	carrot	refrigerator
bus	frisbee	hot dog	book
train	skis	pizza	clock
truck	snowboard	donut	vase
boat	sports ball	cake	scissors
traffic light	Kite	chair	teddy bear
fire hydrant	baseball bat	Sofa	hair drier
stop sign	baseball glove	pottedplant	toothbrush
parking	skateboard	bed	
meter	surfboard	diningtable	
bench	tennis racket	toilet	
bird	Bottle	Tvmonitor	
cat	wine glass	laptop	
Dog	cup	mouse	
horse	fork	remote	
sheep	knife	keyboard	
Cow	spoon	cell phone	
elephant	bowl		
bear	banana		
zebra			
giraffe			

- If very fast inference is essential, better choose latest version of YOLO (or even MobileNet)
- If quality of detections (precision and recall) is more important, better choose Faster_RCNN
- For a compromise, SSD can be considered
- Pre-trained ConvNet detectors are available for many pre-defined categories (those of VOC or COCO)

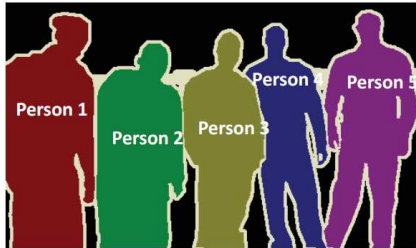
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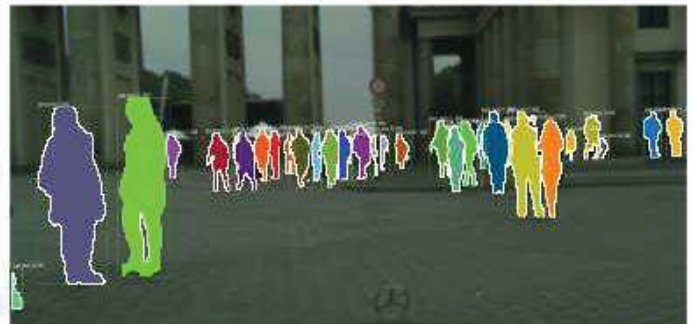
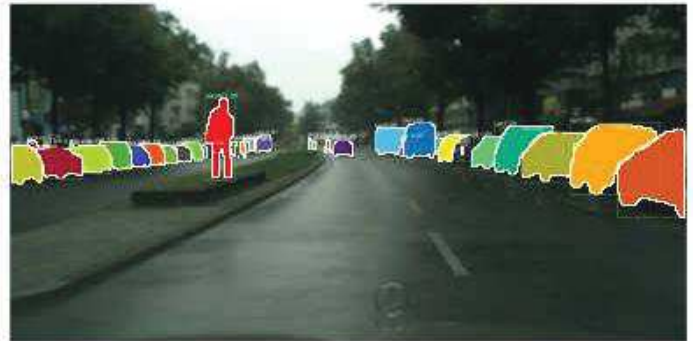
Beyond bounding-boxes: getting detailed contours of objects of a given category



Object Detection

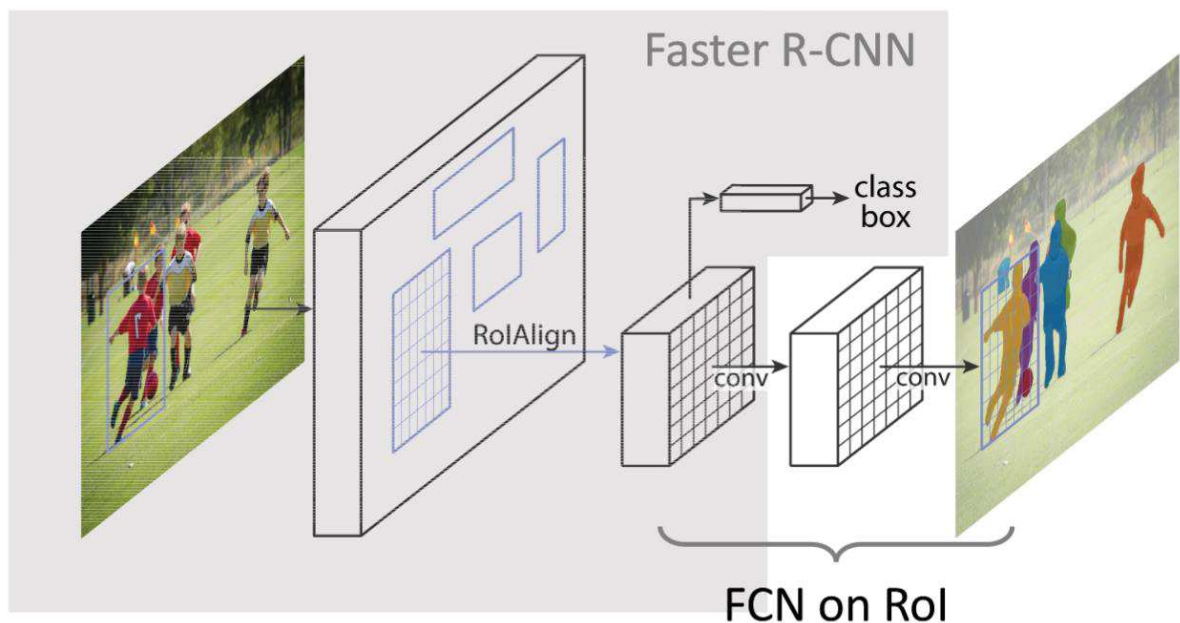


Instance Segmentation

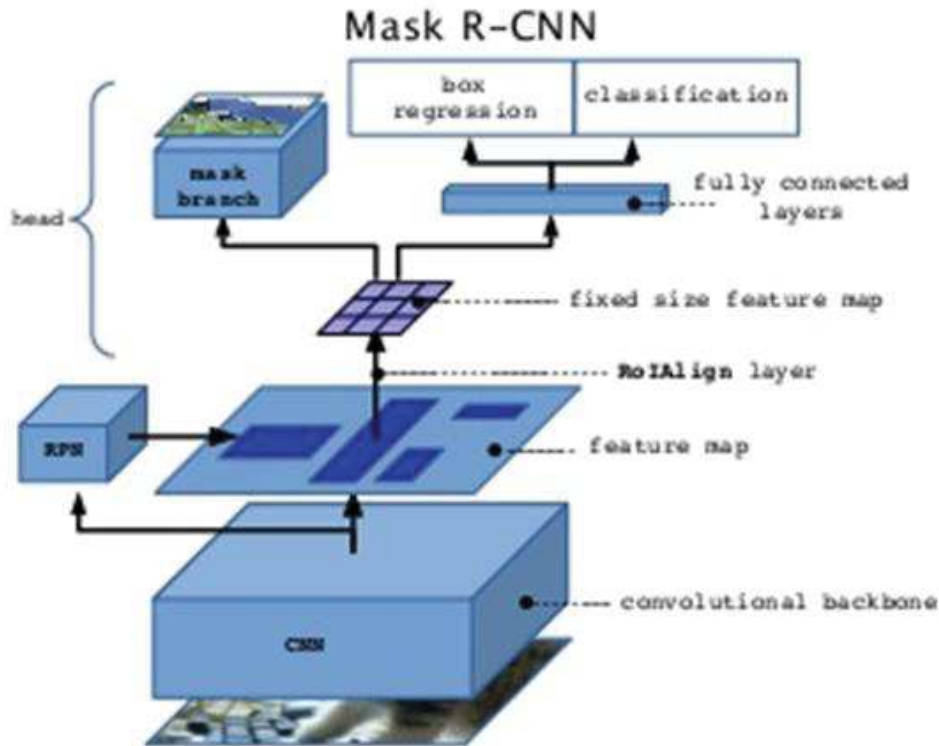


Mask R-CNN principle

Mask R-CNN = Faster R-CNN with FCN on Rols



Mask R-CNN architecture extract detailed contours and shape of objects instead of just bounding-boxes



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Now possible to estimate Human poses from RGB images!



Real-time estimation of Human poses on RGB video

[Realtime Multi-Person 2D Pose Estimation using Part Affinity Field, Cao et al., CVPR'2017 [CMU]

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OpenPose on streets



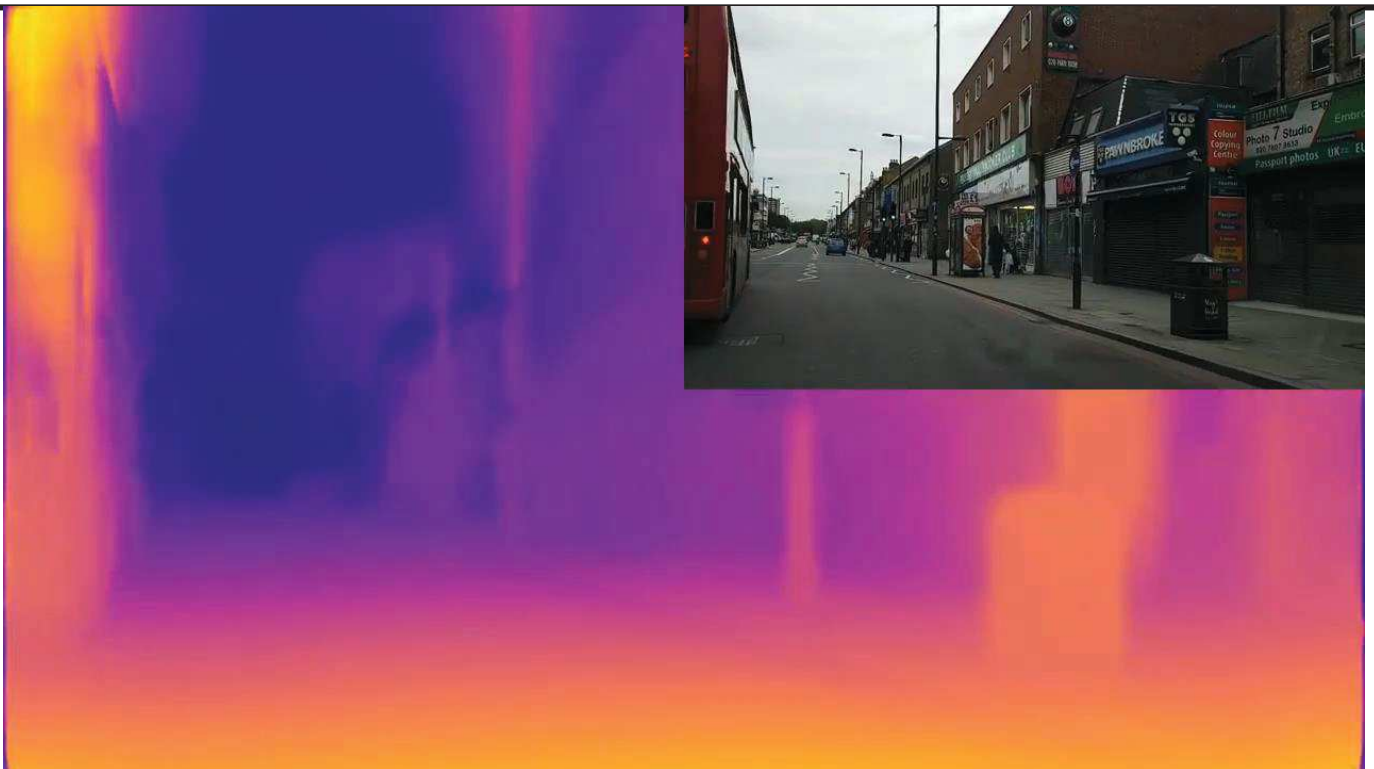
Source: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2DiQUX11YaY>



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- **OpenPose = 2D pose, bottom-up**
(localize joints, then assemble them into skeletons)
- **AlphaPose = 2D pose, top-down, slower and less robust**
- **HMR (Human Mesh Recovery) = 3D pose + estimate body SURFACE as a mesh**

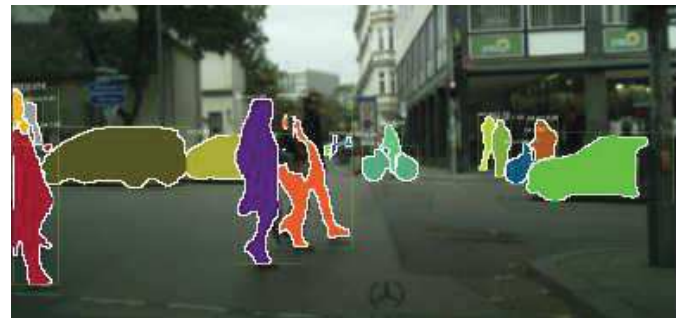
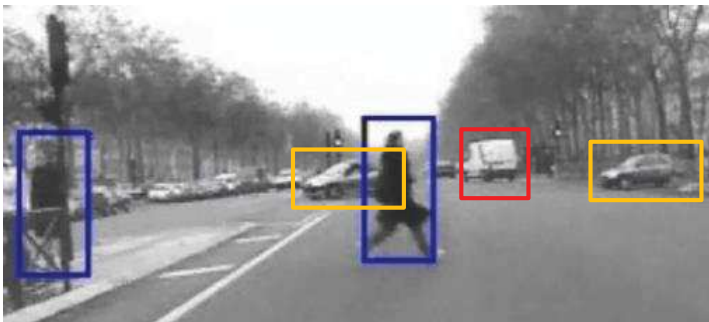
Inference of 3D (depth) from monocular vision



Unsupervised monocular depth estimation with left-right consistency
C Godard, O Mac Aodha, GJ Brostow - CVPR'2017 [UCL]

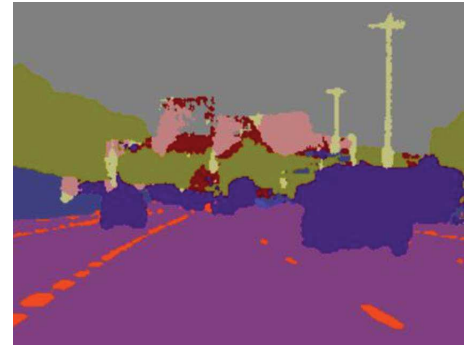
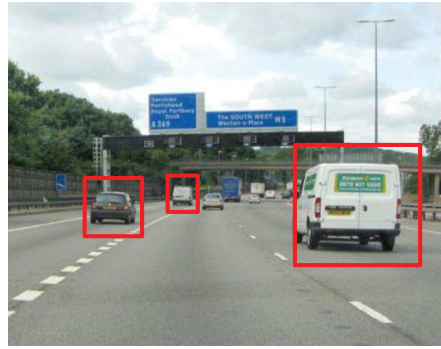
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Drawbacks of object detections approach



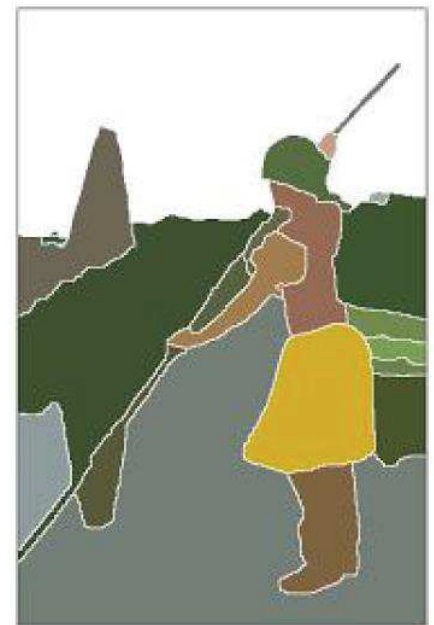
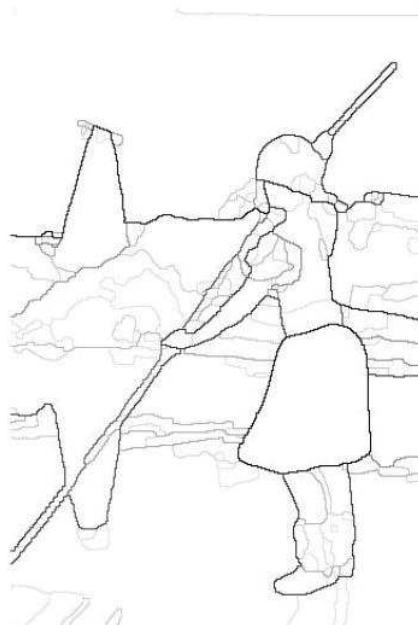
- **Problem for objects without sharp boundaries (trees, ...) or very dense group of objects (crowd of pedestrians, ...)**
- **Only « compact » objects are categorized (what about « road », « sidewalk », « building », ...?)**

Advantage of Semantic (full) segmentation



- One single semantic segmenter → all interesting object categories (cars, pedestrians, signs, etc...) and categorization of whole image
- Can also categorize non-compact areas (road, sky, buildings, trees, traffic lanes...)

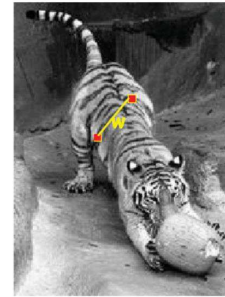
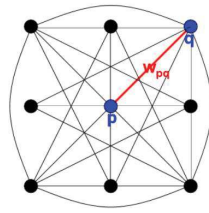
What is image SEGMENTATION?



Identify groups of *contiguous* pixels (connex sets) that « go together »

Many ≠ approaches for image segmentation

- Clustering (K-means, GMM, MeanShift, ...)
- Graph-based (graph-cuts)

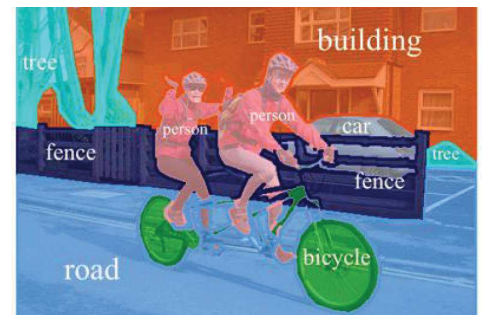
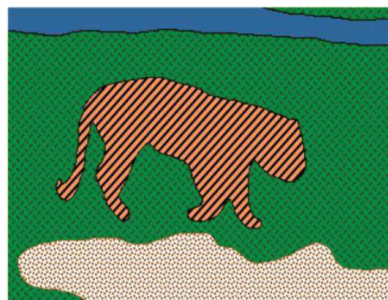


- Node (vertex) for every pixel
- Edge between pairs of pixels, (p,q)
- Affinity weight w_{pq} for each edge
 - w_{pq} measures similarity
 - Similarity is inversely proportional to difference (in color and position...)

- Mathematical Morphology (watershed, etc...)
- Energy minimization (Conditional Random Fields)
- Deep-Learning

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What is SEMANTIC Image Segmentation?



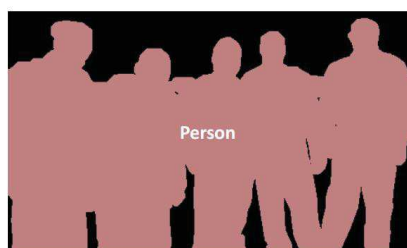
SEMANTIC segmentation:

« go together » = same « type of object »

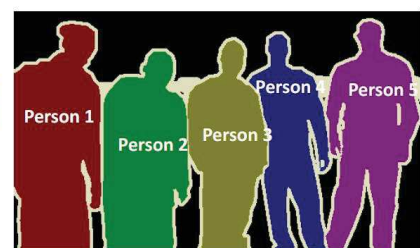
≠ from just grouping pixels with similar colors or texture



Objects detection

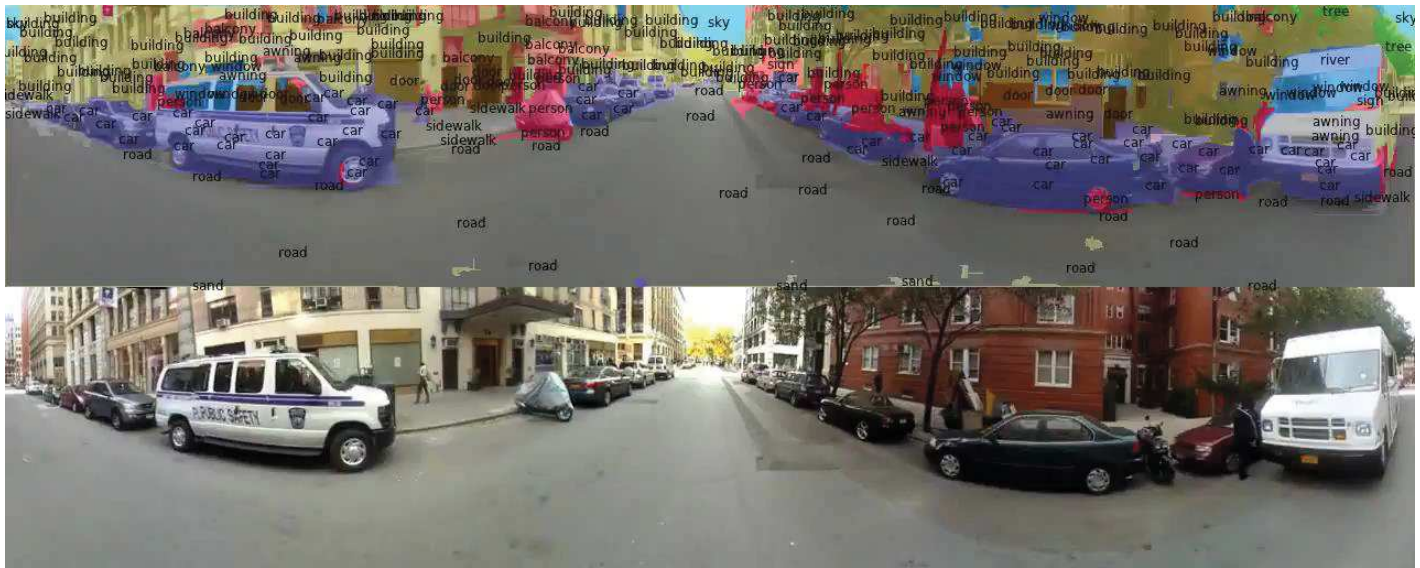


Semantic Segmentation



Instance Segmentation

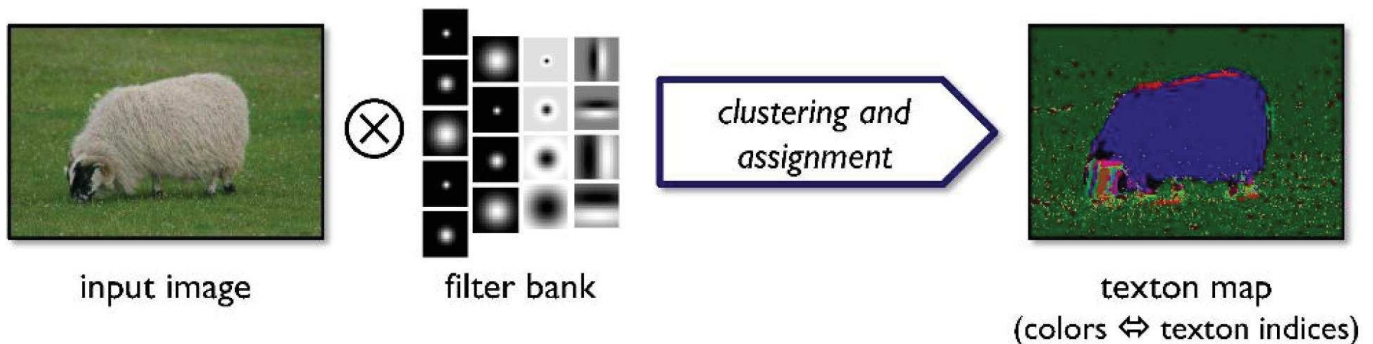
Video example of semantic segmentation with category labels



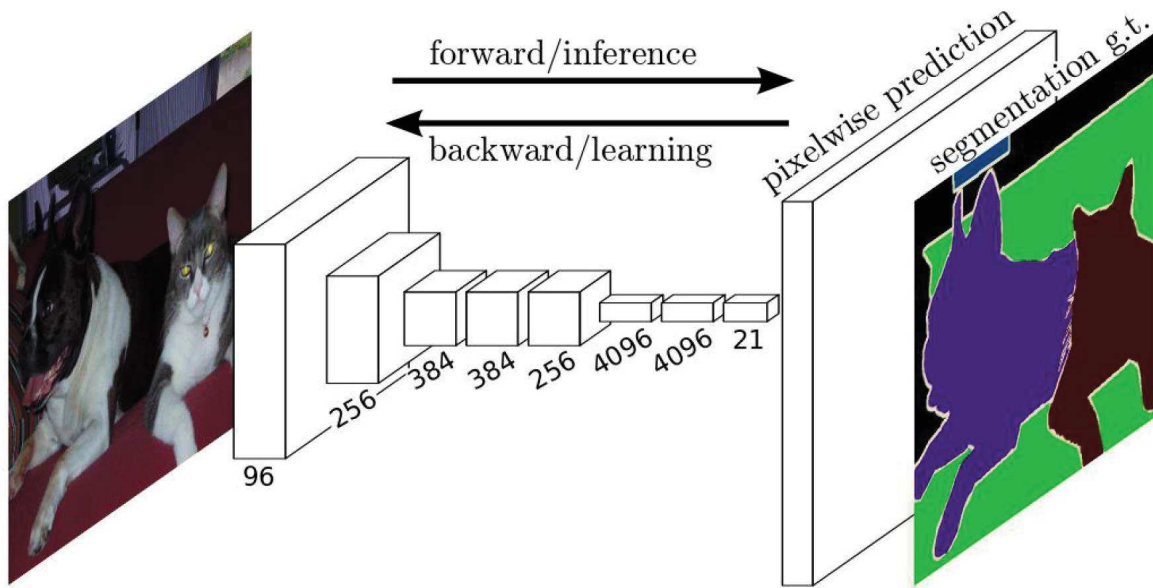
*[C. Farabet, C. Couprie, L. Najman & Yann LeCun:
Learning Hierarchical Features for Scene Labeling,
IEEE Trans. PAMI, Aug.2013.]*

Semantic segmentation BEFORE Deep-Learning

- Relying on Conditional Random Field (CRF)
- Operating on pixels or superpixels
- Interactions between label assignments

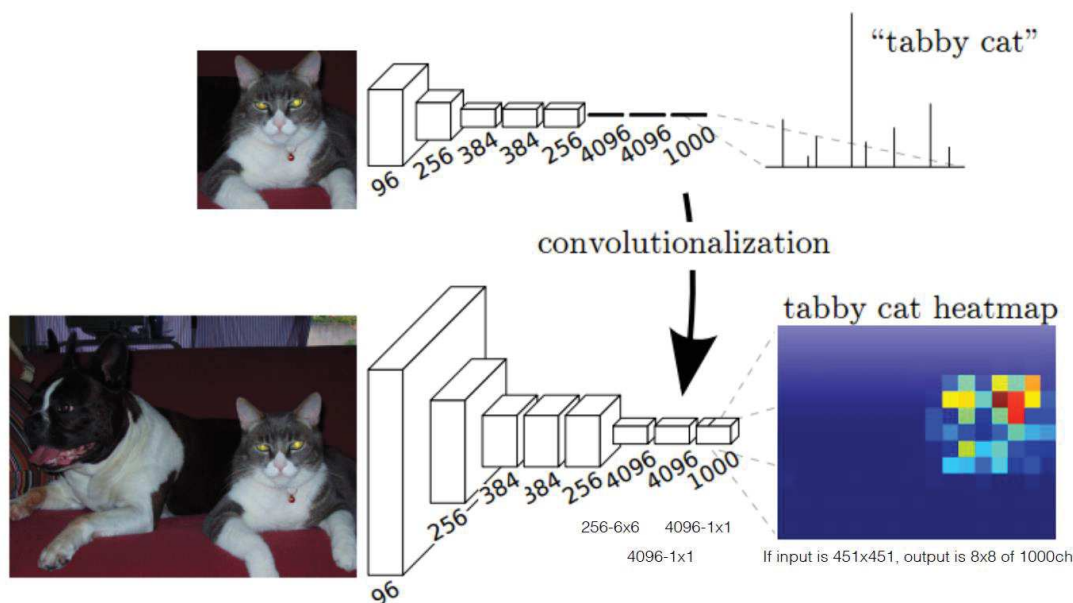


Deep-Learning approach for semantic segmentation



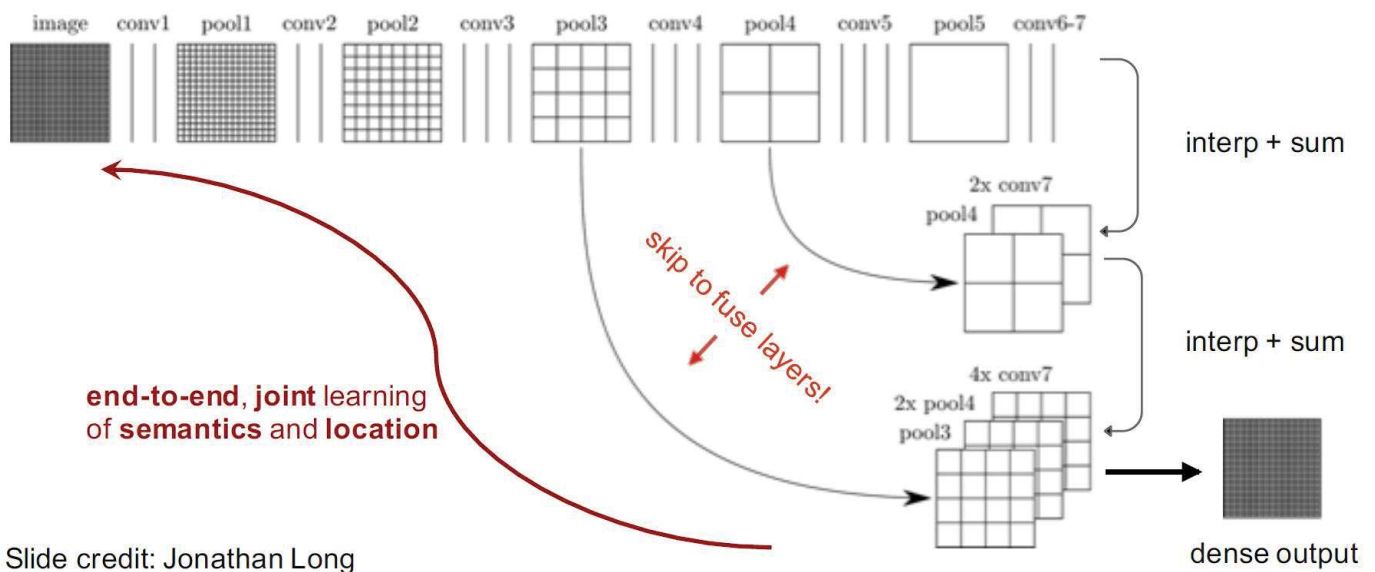
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Fully Convolutional Network (FCN)



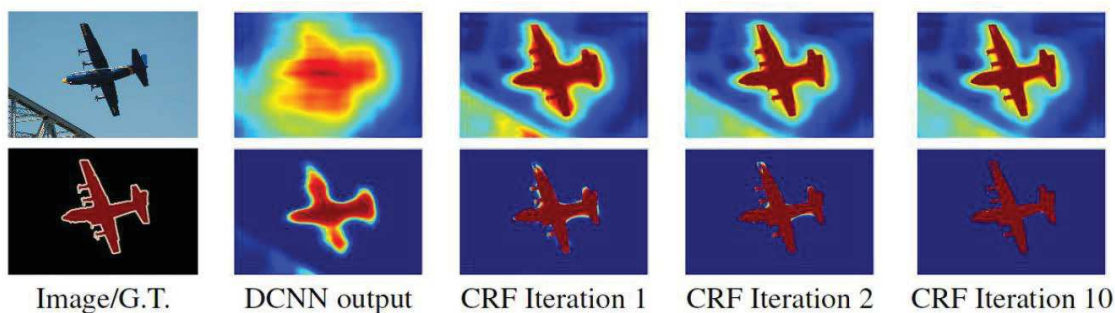
« Fully Convolutional Networks for Semantic Segmentation », Evan Shelhamer, Jonathan Long, and Trevor Darrell, [Berkeley, 2015]

FCN principle

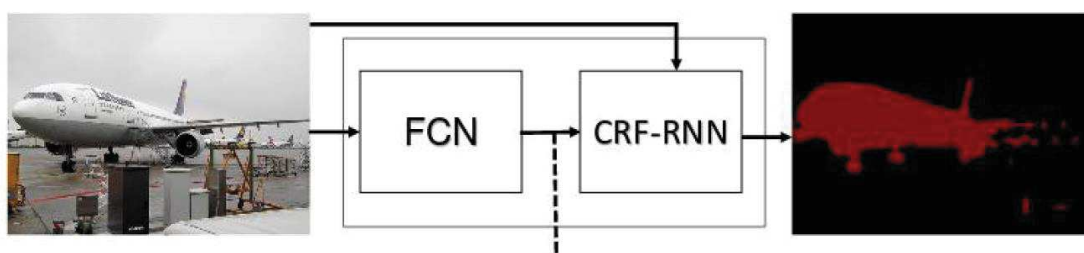


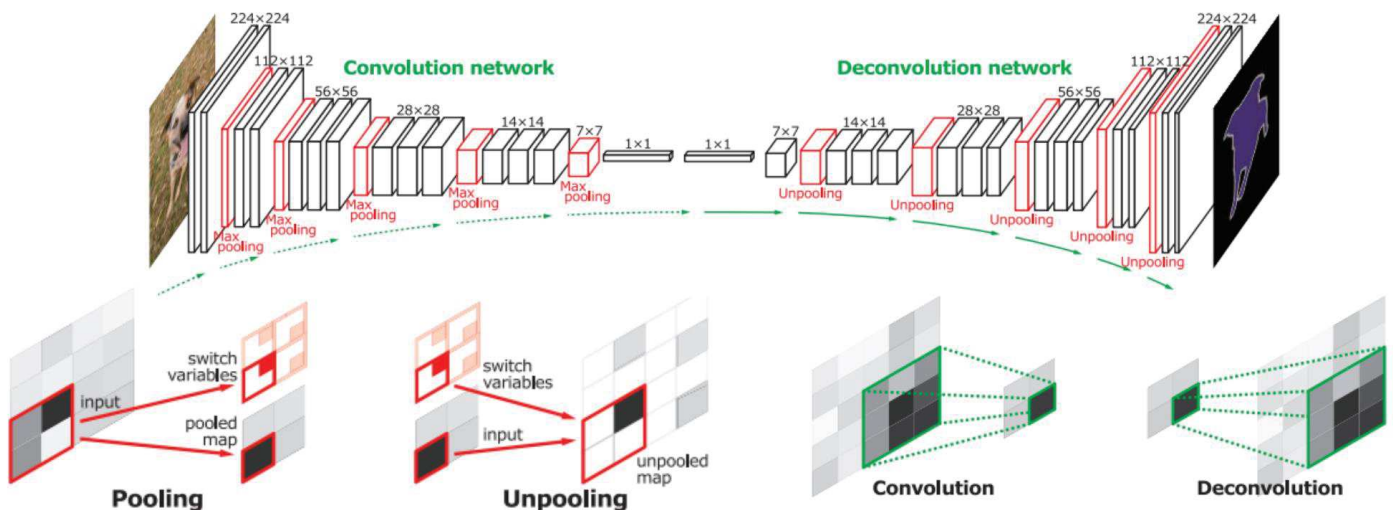
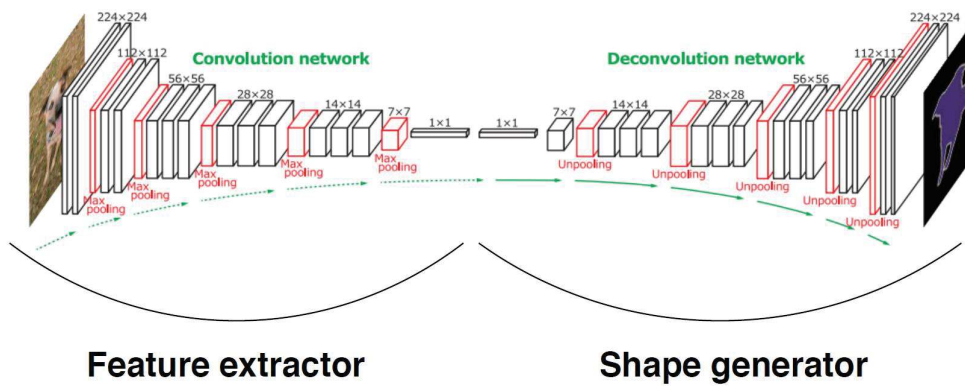
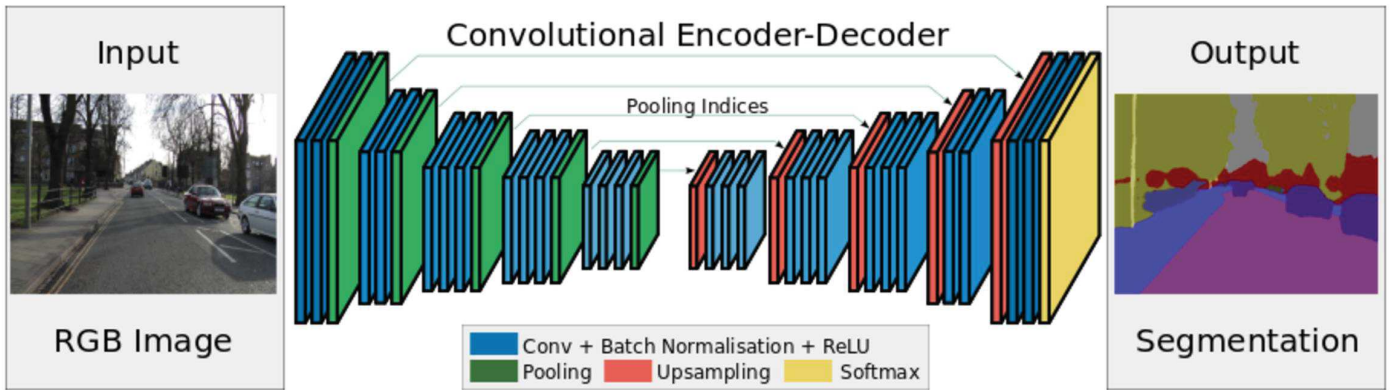
Trick = some connections skipping directly to « fuse layers »

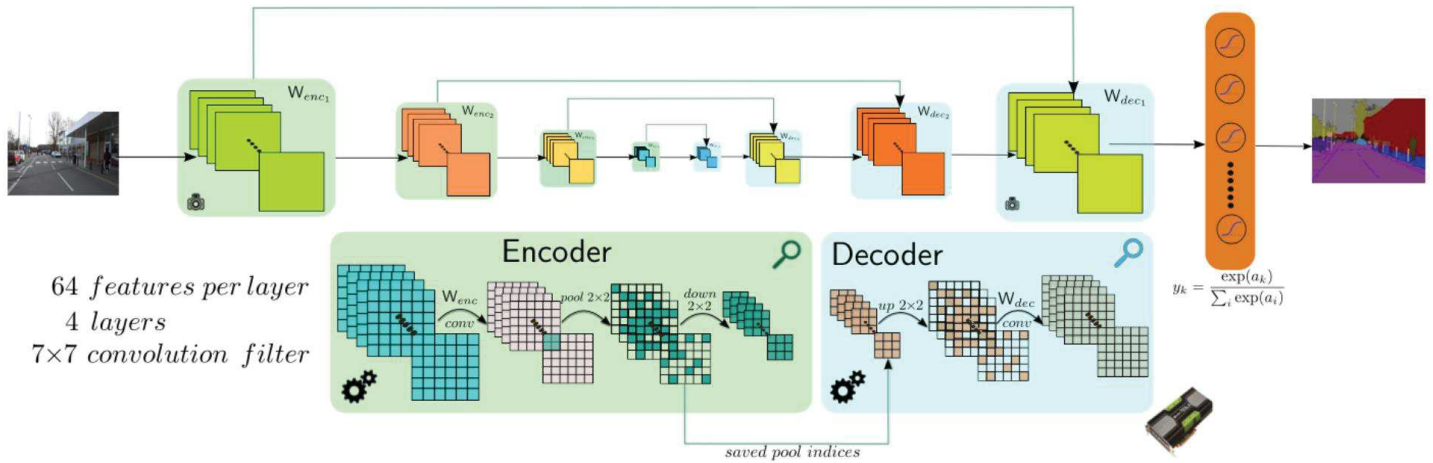
FCN + CRF



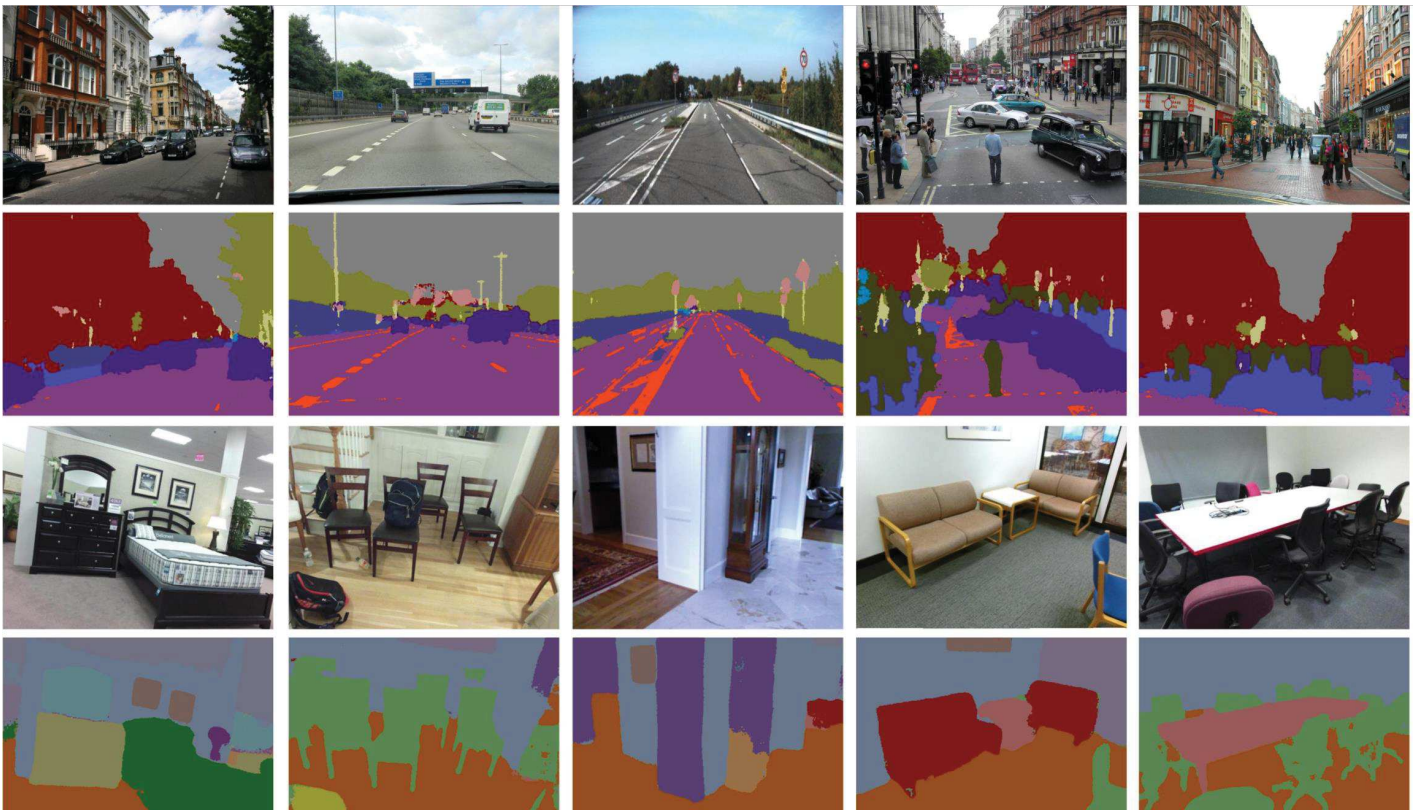
Output from FCN rather blurry and inaccurate, but can be improved by CRF post-processing

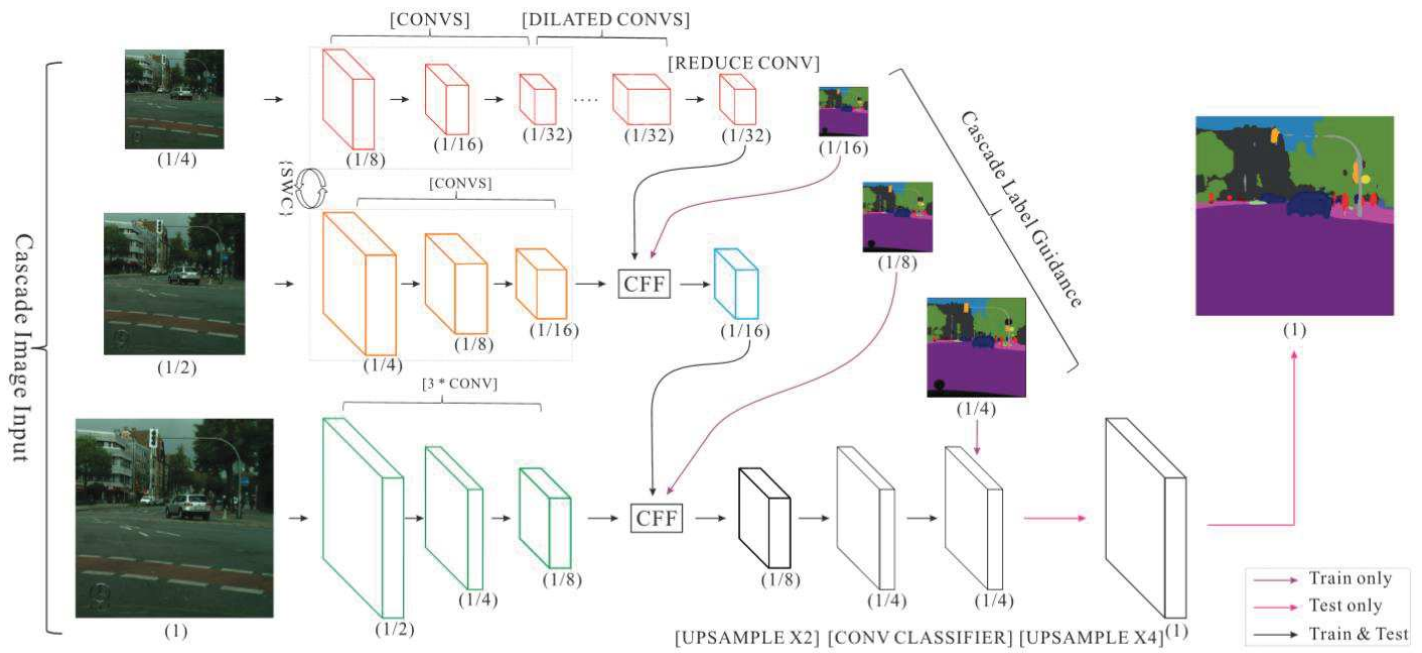






“SegNet: A Deep Convolutional Encoder-Decoder Architecture for Image Segmentation”, Vijay Badrinarayanan, Alex Kendall, Roberto Cipolla [Cambridge (UK), 2015]





« ICNet for Real-Time Semantic Segmentation on High-Resolution Images »,
 Zhao, Hengshuang & Qi, Xiaojuan & Shen, Xiaoyong & Shi, Jianping & Jia, Jiaya.
 Chinese University of Hong-Kong (2017).

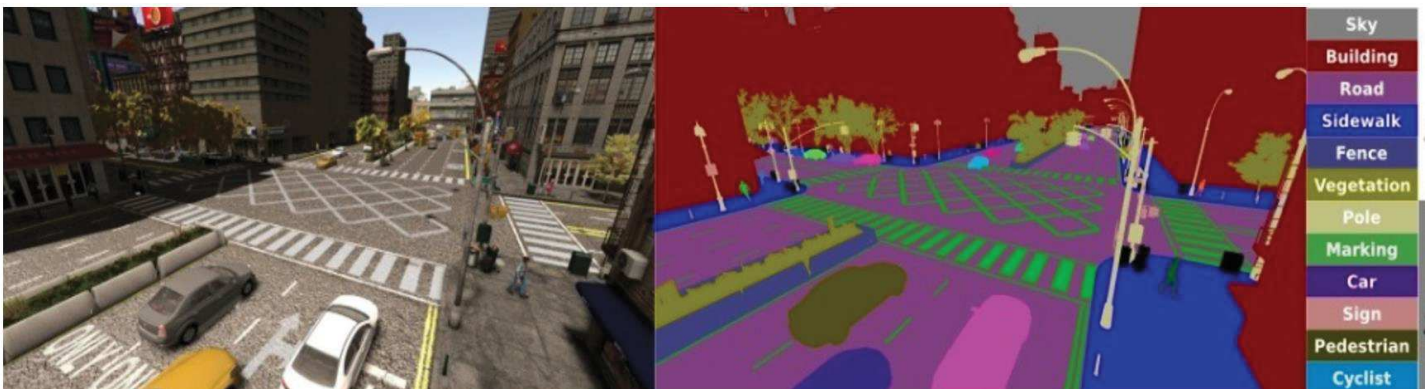
And many other competitors!

- 2015: U-Net (Keras) - <https://github.com/zhixuhao/unet>
- RefineNet (2016)
- DeepLab (Caffe) - <https://github.com/Robotertechnik/Deep-Lab>
- DeepLabv3 (Tensorflow) - <https://github.com/NanqingD/DeepLabV3-Tensorflow>

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Synthetic images

More and more realistic



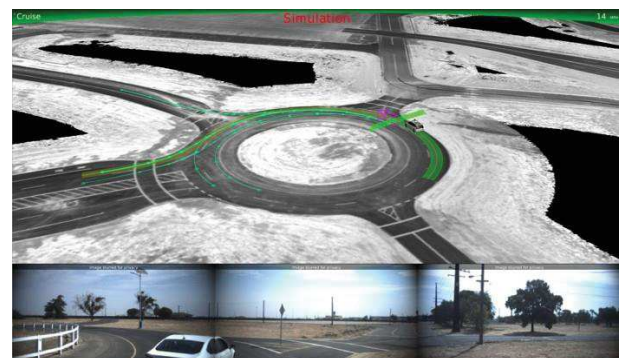
Example from SYNTHIA
(<http://synthia-dataset.net>)

- Possible to generate as many as needed at nearly no cost (in particular compared to recording while driving)
- Easy to generate controlled variability in environment, luminosity conditions, scenarii, etc + also images « dangerous situations »
- **NO NEED FOR MANUAL LABELLING:** ground truth (ie target value) for classifiers, localizers, and semantic segmentation provided automatically

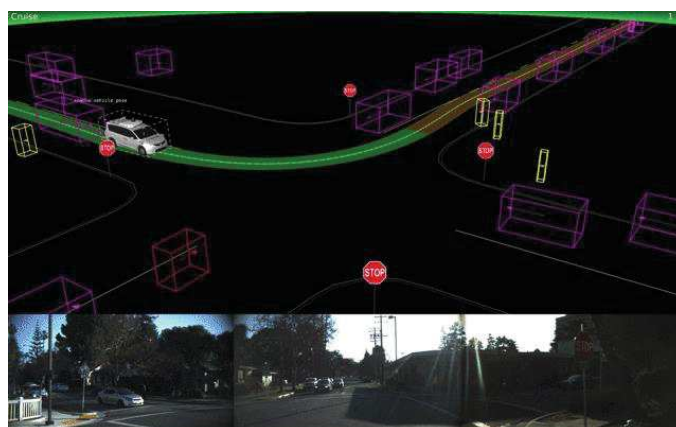
Simulators dedicated to Autonomous Vehicles



Scenario-building with CarCraft by Google/Waymo



Simulation of a virtual scenario in XView by Google/Waymo



CARLA open-source urban driving simulator

- Still few driving simulators adapted for DL and RL, and best ones not totally mature

Simulateur	GTA	DeepDrive.io	AirSim	CARLA[1]
Flexibilité	--	++	++	++
Variété	++	--	-	+
Complexité/Réalisme	++	--	-	-
Objets mobiles	++	--	--	+
Vitesse exécution	--	+	+	+
Multi-agent	--	-	-	++

→ Choice of CARLA

[1] A. Dosovitskiy: CARLA: An Open Urban Driving Simulator (2017)

CARLA simulator



- Initial training of a classifier / segmenter / controller only on simulated images / videos / scenarios
- Possible to then adaptation to real-world by fine-tuning on REAL images/video datasets
- Cheaper / more extensive testing than on real-world videos
- **REINFORCEMENT LEARNING in simulation !**

Examples of autonomous driving obtained by DRL in CARLA



Town02: Single Lane, EU

Weather: Heavy rain

Traffic Light: Red

Network input



Current Order: Left

Current Speed: 1.8 km/h

**Work by my PhD student Marin Toromanoff (Valeo/MINES).
Ranked 1st (vision-only track) on
CARLA "Autonomous Driving challenge" !!**