Segmentation

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- Beyond ImageNet: Fully Convolutional Networks (FCNs)
- 3. Supervised Segmentation with Deep ConvNets

Segmentation: definitions



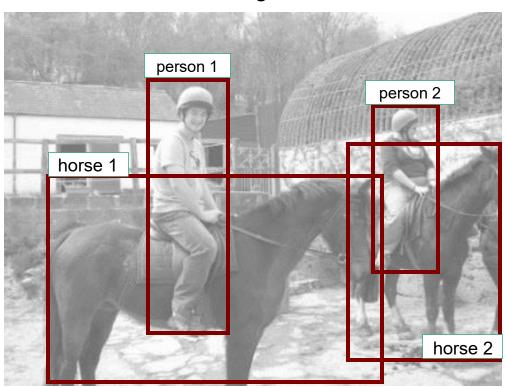
Def1: **Semantic** Segmentation

Label each pixel with a category label



Object Detection

Detect every instance of the category and localize it with a bounding box.



Def2: Instance segmentation

Simultaneous Detection and Segmentation

Detect and segment every instance of the category in the image

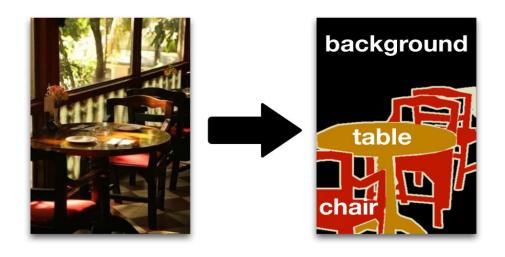








Training data









PASCAL VOC 12

- Train 1464 images / Val 1449 images / Test 1456 images
- 21 classes: aeroplane, bicycle, bird, boat, bottle, bus, car, cat, chair, cow, dining table, dog, horse, motorbike, person, potted plant, sheep, sofa, train, tv/monitor + background
- Evaluation: intersection-over-union metric
- Webpage: http://host.robots.ox.ac.uk/pascal/VOC/voc2012/



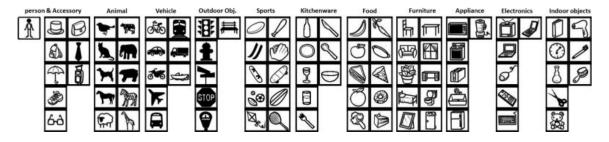






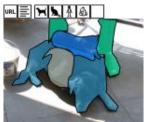
COCO

- Train 80k images / Val 20k images
- 91 classes, 11 super-categories:



- 3 challenges: detection, instance segmentation, captioning
- Webpage: http://mscoco.org [paper]









Supervised Image Segmentation Methods

Full supervision

- Precise annotation ,
- Expensive and time consuming to obtain
 - "79s per label per image" [RBFL15] /
- Bottleneck for learning models at large scale /





Weakly Supervised Image Segmentation Methods

Weak supervision

- Reduce supervision: class labels (or tags) / /
- Cheap to obtain
 - 1 "1s per label per image" [RBFL15],
- Scalable to large number of categories ,



- 3 background
- 7 aeroplane
- 7 cat
- 3 chair
- 7 dog
- 7 person
- 7 sheep
- 3 table
- 7 tymonitor

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From ImageNet to complex scenes

ImageNet: huge dataset (1.2M training images) with labels ...
 but centered objects

ImageNet









How to apply/ adapt/ modify learning strategies to deal with:

VOC 2012









MS COCO









From ImageNet to complex scenes?

 Working on datasets with complex scenes (large and cluttered background), not centered objects, variable size, ...



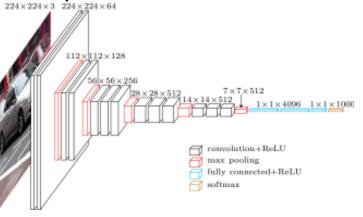
Select relevant regions! better prediction



Full annotations expensive) training with weak supervision

How to adapt VGG16 archi. for large/complex images?



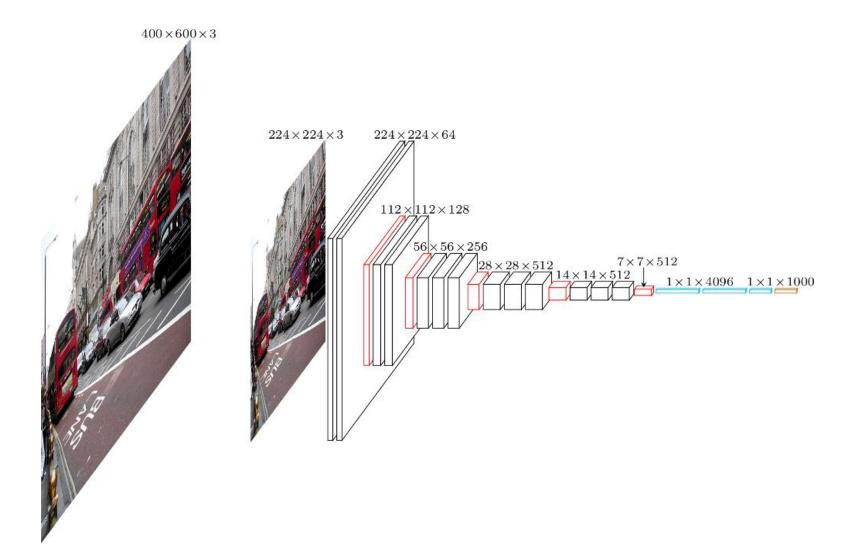




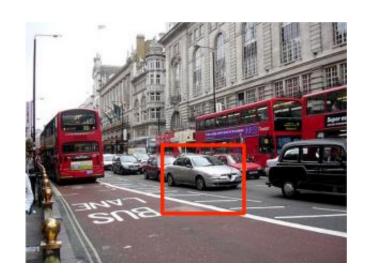
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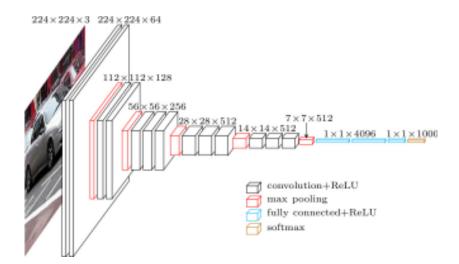
Naïve approach: brut transfer (next Section)

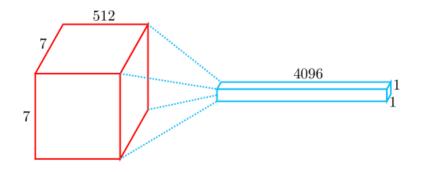
Resize the image



Sliding window) convolutional layers



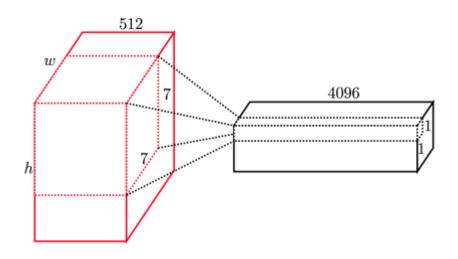




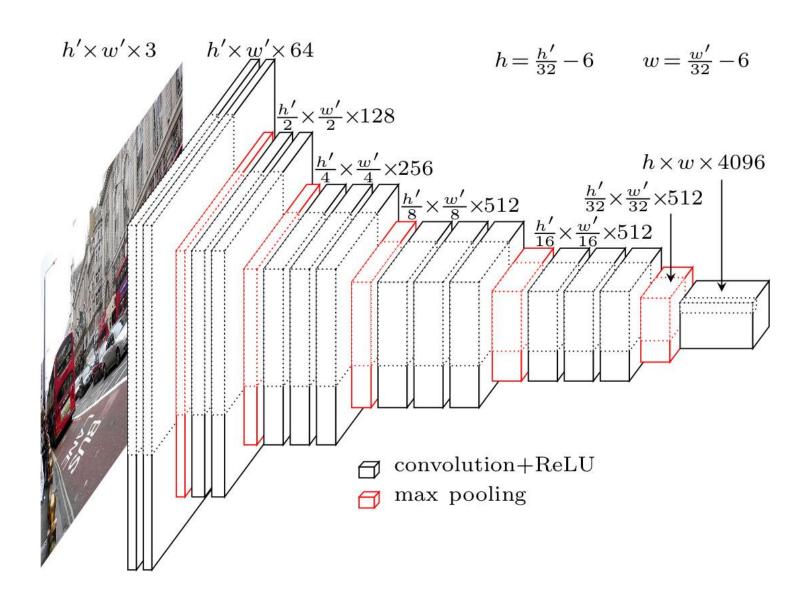
Sliding window) convolutional layers



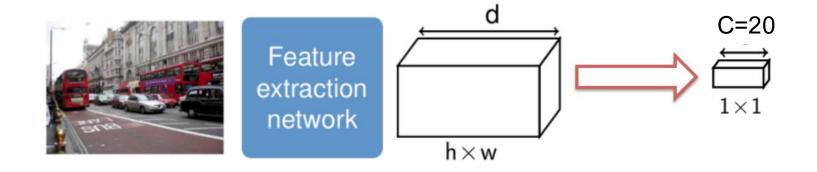
 Fully connected as convolutional layer (here 4096 conv. filters 7x7x512)



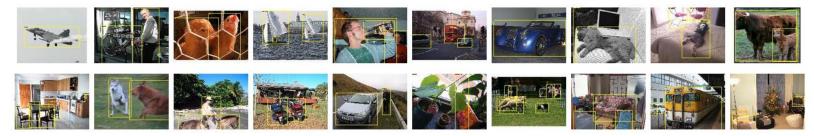
Sliding window ⇒ convolutional layers



Transfer – Pooling – Classification

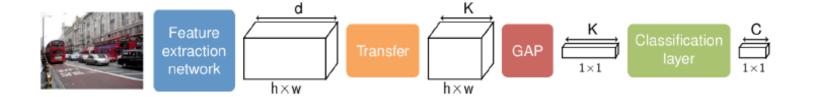


20 classes

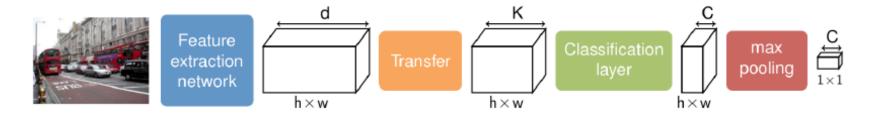


Transfer+classif+pooling

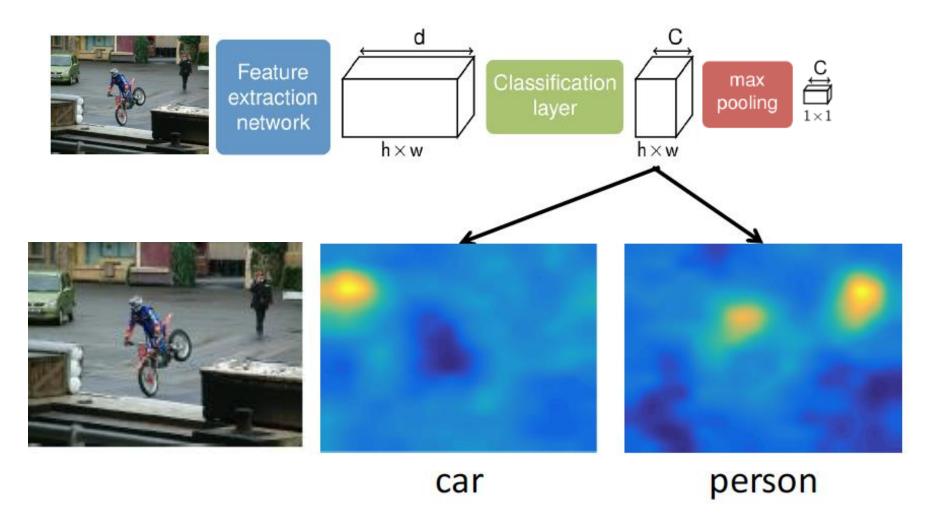
Transfer+pooling (GAP)+classif



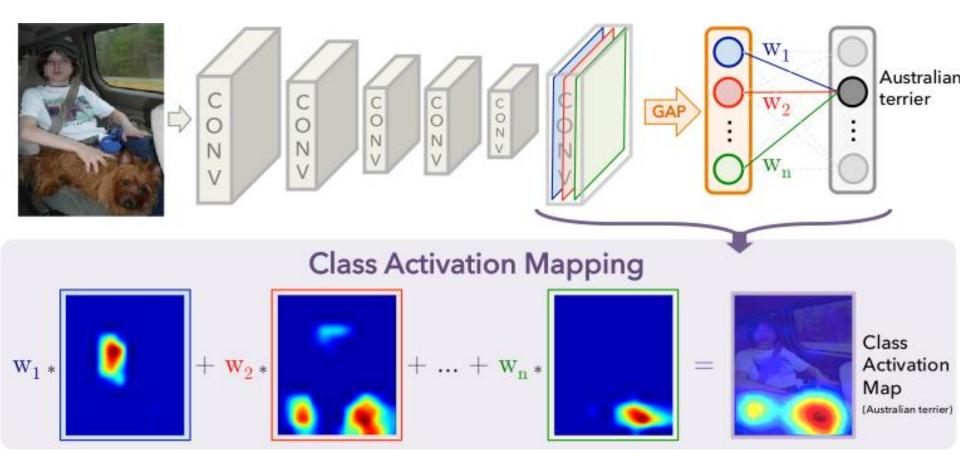
Transfer+classif+Max pooling



Pixel contribution to the classification

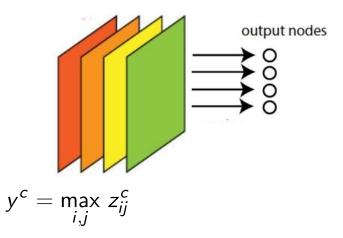


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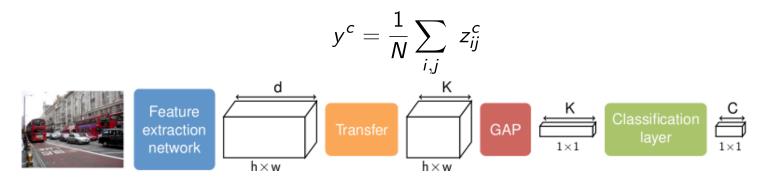


Pooling schemes

• Max [Oquab, CVPR15]

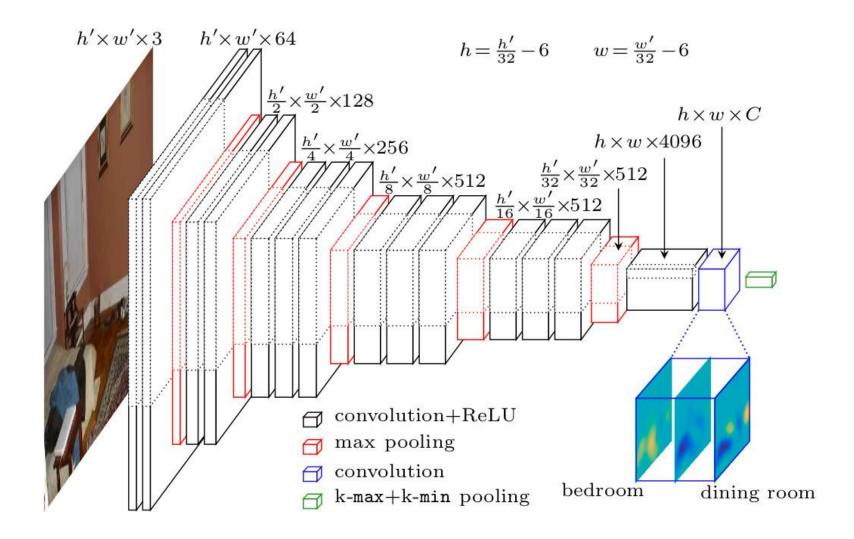


• GAP [Zhou, CVPR16]



• LSE [Pinheiro, CVPR15] / SPLeap [Kulkarni, ECCV16]

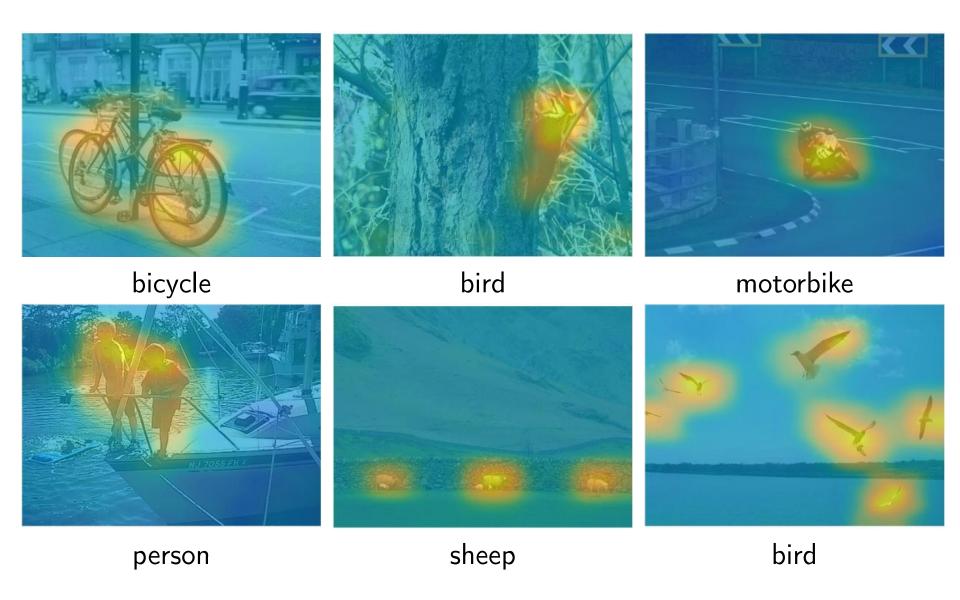
$$y^c = \frac{1}{\beta} \log \left(\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i,j} \exp(\beta \cdot z_{ij}^c) \right)$$



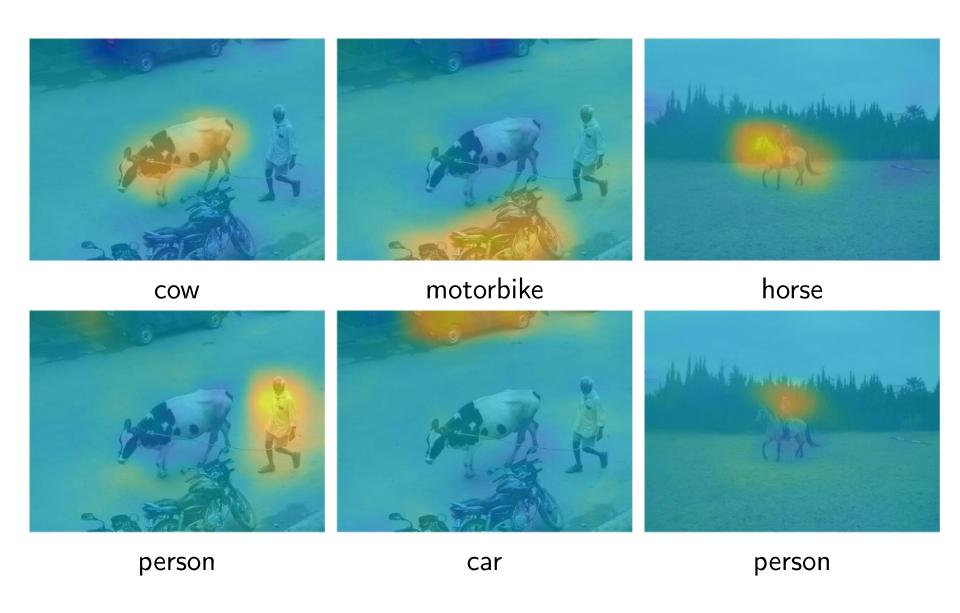
Class activation maps



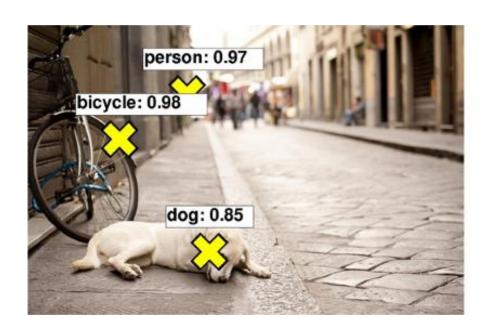
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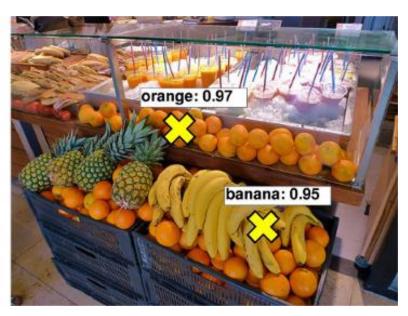


Class activation maps



Visual recognition task: localization



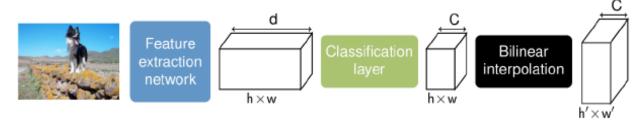


Method	VOC 2012	MS COCO
Deep MIL	74.5	41.2
ProNet	77.7	46.4
WSLocalization	79.7	49.2

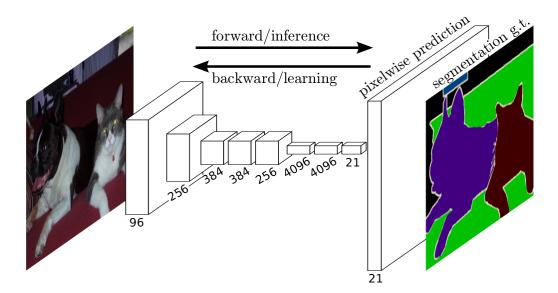
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F-CN Fully Convolutional Network



- Fully-convolutional network: classify each "pixel"
- Upsampling output
- Network architecture: AlexNet, VGG16, GoogleNet
- Loss: soft-max per pixel

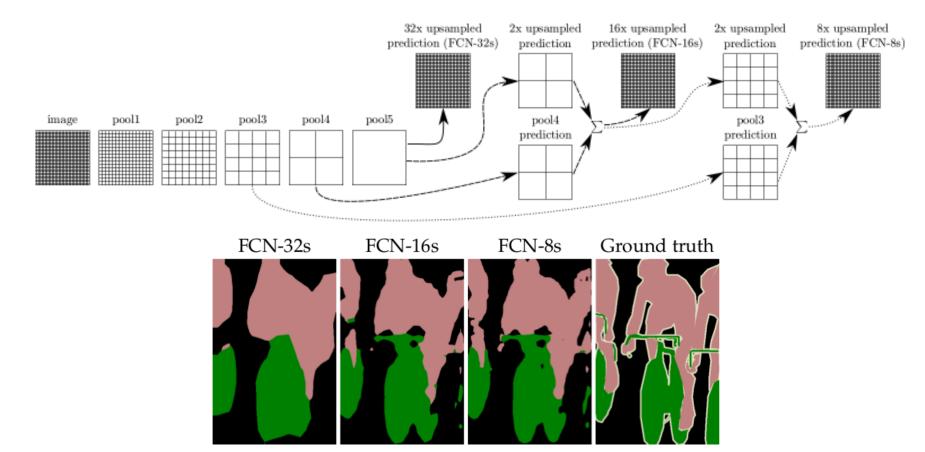


F-CN Fully Convolutional Network

• Problem: max pooling and striding reduces spatial resolution

Solution of the FCN approach

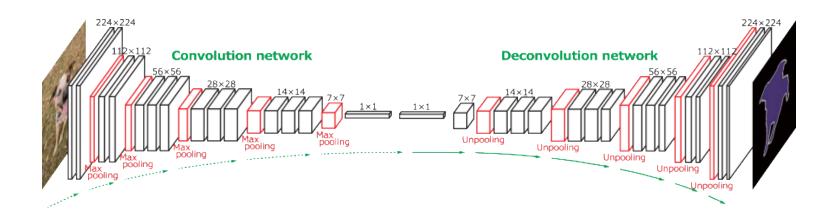
- Dense prediction: combines feature hierarchies
- Initialized with the parameters of coarse net
- Fine-tuning all layers by backpropagation



- 1. F-CN Fully Convolutional Network
- 2. Deconvolution Networks
- 3. A-trous solution: DeepLab approach

Deconvolution Network

- Learn a multi-layer deconvolution network
- Network is composed of two parts:
 - 1. Convolution: feature extractor
 - 2. Deconvolution: shape generator that produces object segmentation from the feature extracted
- Deconvolution net is a mirrored version of the convolution net



Deconvolution Network

Unpooling

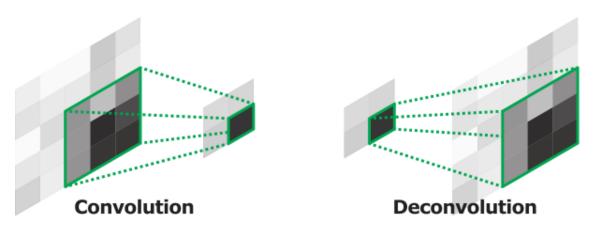
- Perform the reverse operation of pooling
- Reconstruct the original size of activations
- Useful to reconstruct the structure of input object
- Output: sparse activation map



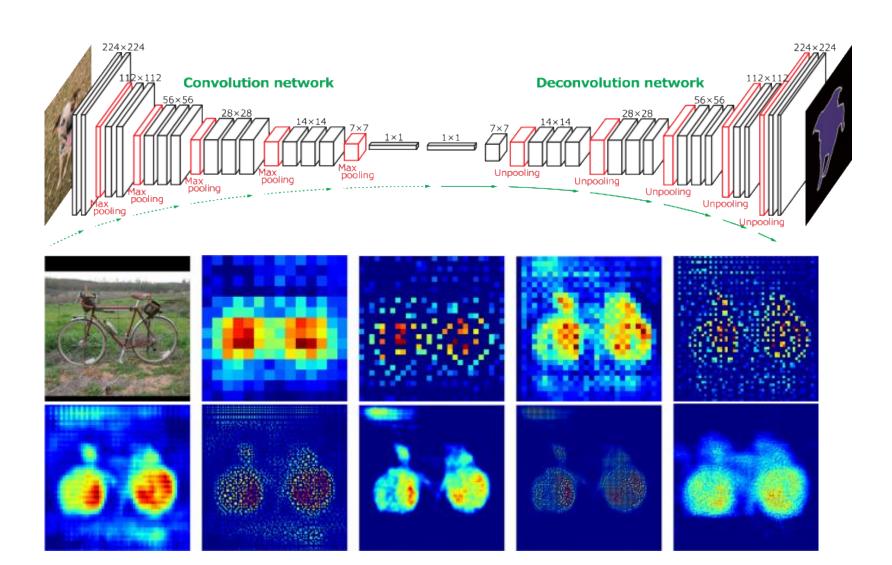
Deconvolution Network

Deconvolution

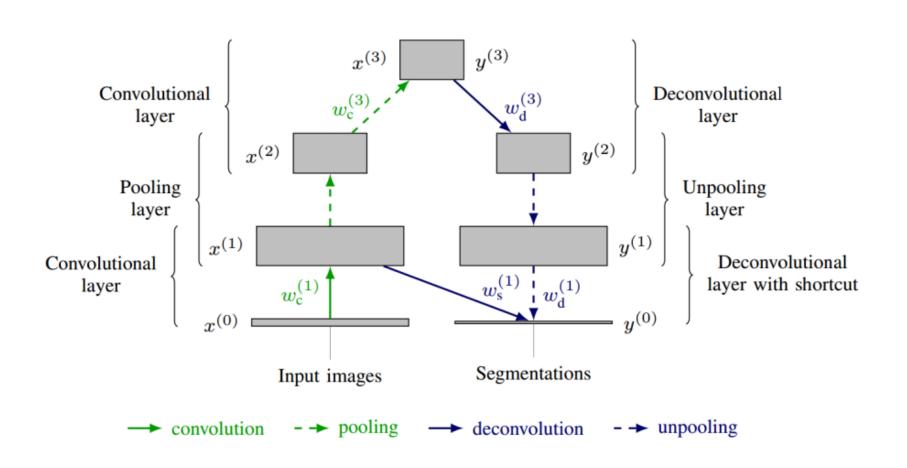
- Connect single input activation to a multiple activations
- Learned filters correspond to bases to reconstruct shape of an input object
- Output: enlarged and dense activation map



Deconvolution Net: hourglass structure + unpooling switch variables



Deconvolution Net + shortcut connection



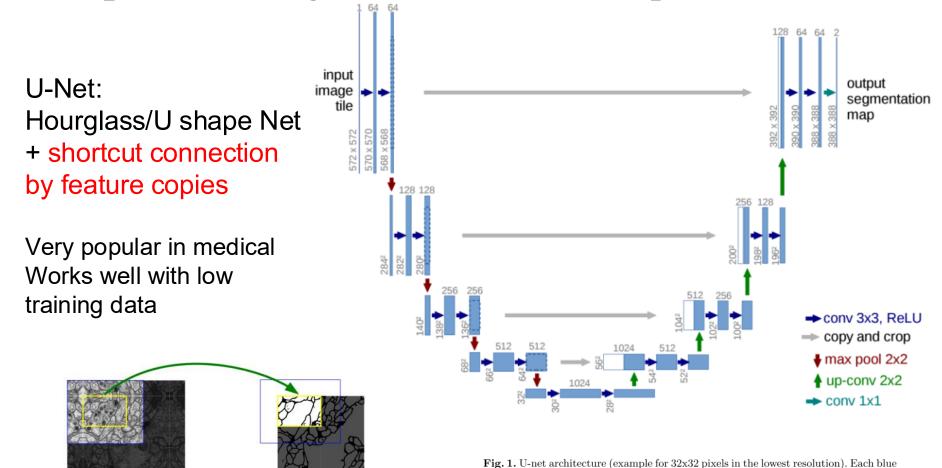


Fig. 2. Overlap-tile strategy for seamless segmentation of arbitrary large images (here segmentation of neuronal structures in EM stacks). Prediction of the segmentation in the yellow area, requires image data within the blue area as input. Missing input data is extrapolated by mirroring

box corresponds to a multi-channel feature map. The number of channels is denoted on top of the box. The x-y-size is provided at the lower left edge of the box. White boxes represent copied feature maps. The arrows denote the different operations.

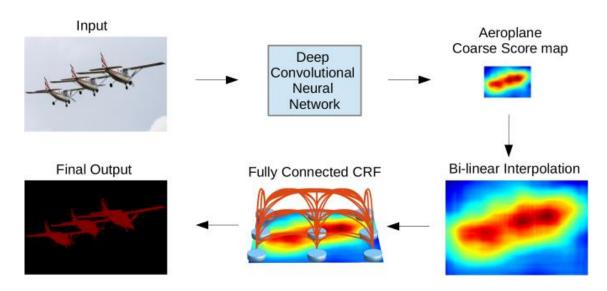
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DeepLab (v123) approach for supervised segmentation

Problem of the spatial resolution reduction

Solution of the DeepLab approach

- 1. Learn CNN for dense prediction tasks (Atrous)
- 2. Improve the localization of object boundaries withfully-connected CRF [?] (FC-CRF)



DeepLab approach: Atrous filtering algo

- Remove the down-sampling from the last pooling layers.
- Up-sample the original filter by a factor of the strides:

Atrous convolution for 1-D signal:

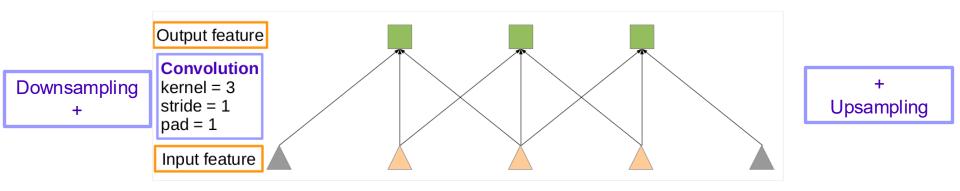
$$y[i] = \sum_{k=1}^K x[i+r\cdot k]w[k]$$

$$x[i] \text{ 1-D input signal}$$

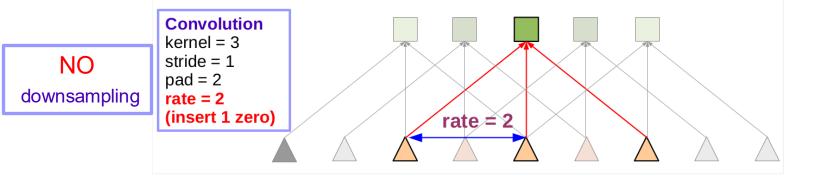
$$w[k] \text{ filter of length } K$$
 Introduce zeros between filter with which we sample the input signal.} Introduce zeros between filter values
$$y[i] \text{ output of atrous convolution.}$$

Note: standard convolution is a special case for rate r=1.

Classical filtering/pooling/downsampling



DeepLab approach: **Atrous filtering** algo

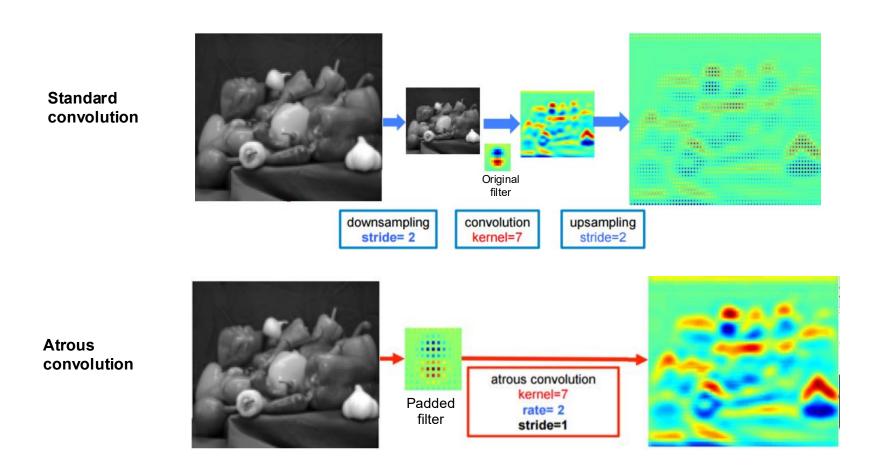


DeepLab approach: Atrous filtering algo

Filters field-of-view

- Small field-of-view → accurate localization
- Large field-of-view → context assimilation
- 'Holes': Introduce zeros between filter values.
- Effective filter size increases (enlarge the field-of-view of filter): $k \times k$ filter to $k_e = k + (k-1)(r-1)$
- However, we take into account only the non-zero filter values:
 - ✓ Number of filter parameters is the same.
 - ✓ Number of operations per position is the same.

DeepLab approach: Atrous filtering algo

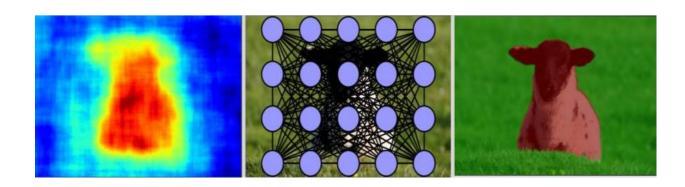


DeepLab: Fully-Connected CRF

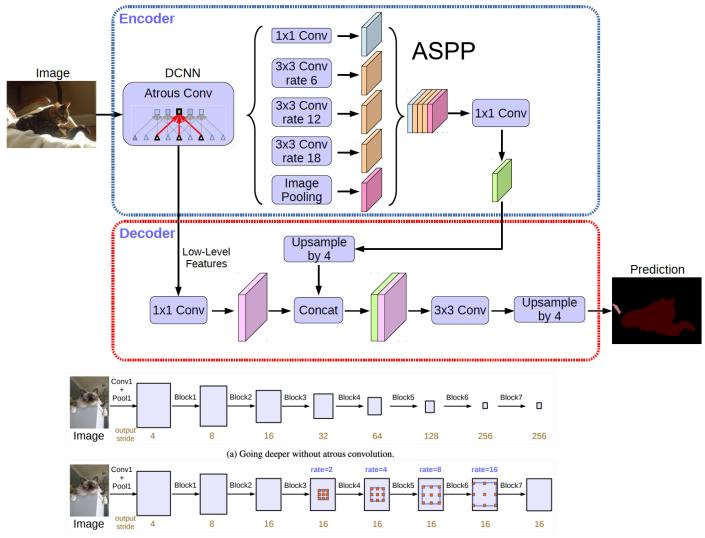
- Problem: poor object delineation (spatial and appearance consistency neglected)
- Solution: fully-connected CRF accounts for contextual information in the image

$$E(y) = X \times_{i} (y_i) + X \times_{ij} (y_i, y_j)$$

- Unary term: output of FCN (upscaled)
- Pairwise term: penalizes similar pixels having different labels



• DeepLab V3+ [ECCV 2018]



(b) Going deeper with atrous convolution. Atrous convolution with rate > 1 is applied after block3 when $output_stride = 16$. Figure 3. Cascaded modules without and with atrous convolution.

Segmentation Results



Segmentation Results



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