Instance segmentation with Mask R-CNN

Seminar: Current Works in Computer Vision

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Scene understanding





Image classification

Object detection



Semantic segmentation



Instance segmentation



Mask R-CNN: Motivation and goals



- object detection
- classification
- instance segmentation
- Highly modular and easy to train
- Flexible: e.g. human pose estimation with minor changes



Background: R-CNN architechture



- Based on proposed Regions of Interest (RoI)
- Requires region warping for fixed size features
- Very inefficient pipeline



Background: Fast R-CNN





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Mask R-CNN: overview



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Region Proposal Network



- Shared conv layers with main model
- $n \times n$ sliding window, large receptive field
- Parallel branches:
 - object probability classification
 - box regression

Region Proposal Network



Anchor boxes:

- for every window position, k region prototypes
- multiple scales, e.g. 128^2 , 256^2 , 512^2
- multiple ratios, e.g. 1:1, 1:2, 2:1



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Region Proposal Network

- Multiple anchor scales and ratios \rightarrow single scale images

- Proposal evaluation based on Intersection over Union with ground truth boxes:
 - best regions are kept as positive examples
 - worst (IoU < 0.3) are kept as negatives for training



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Rol feature extraction





- RolPool: quantized bins + pooling
- RolAlign: continuous bins + bilinear interpolation + pooling \Rightarrow better preserved spatial correspondence

RolPool (Faster R-CNN)

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Source: https://deepsense.io/region-of-interest-pooling-explained/

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Region projection and pooling sections

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Sampling locations





Bilinear interpolated values





Max pooling output



Class prediction & box regression



- K+1 softmax for classification
- $4 \cdot K$ box regression targets: $\mathbf{t}^k = (t_x^k, t_w^k, t_w^k, t_b^k)$
- Multitask loss:
 - L_{cls}: negative log likelihood
 - L_{reg} : smooth L1 loss

$$L_{box} = L_{cls} + \lambda \mathbf{1}_{[u=u^*]} L_{reg}$$



Segmentation



Mask branch features:

- Fully convolutional
- $K \cdot (m \times m)$ sigmoid outputs:
 - $\rightarrow\,$ pixel-wise binary classification
 - $\rightarrow\,$ one mask for each class, no competition
- *L_{mask}*: mean binary cross-entropy

Overall head loss:

$$L = L_{box} + L_{mask}$$



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Experiments

Dataset & metrics



- Main dataset: MS COCO
 - 80 classes
 - 115k training images
 - 5k images for ablation experiments
 - undisclosed ground truth test-dev for main results
- Similarity measure: Intersection over Union (IoU)
- AP_{50} & AP_{75} (PASCAL VOC metrics): Average Precision: IoU threshold (.50, .75) for true positives \rightarrow precision-recall curve \rightarrow area under curve
- AP (MS COCO metric): mean Average Precision over different IoU thresholds.

Related methods: MNC





Multi-task Network Cascade:

- bounding box regression
- mask estimation
- classification

Related methods: FCIS





- Fully Convolutional Instance Segmentation
- Challenge: translation invariance \rightarrow no instance awareness
- Proposed solution: positional aware sliding masks

Segmentation results



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Model	backbone	AP	AP_{50}	AP_{75}
MNC	ResNet-101-C4	24.6	44.3	24.8
FCIS+++	ResNet-101-C5-dil.	33.6	54.5	-
Mask R-CNN	ResNet-101-C4	33.1	54.9	34.8
Mask R-CNN	ResNet-101-FPN	35.7	58.0	37.8
Mask R-CNN	ResNeXt-101-FPN	37.1	60.0	39.4

FPN (Feature Pyramid Network):

multi-scale hierarchical convolutional features, good for detection



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Cityscape dataset: smaller (5k fine + 20k coarse), urban scenery for segmentation

Model	training set	AP	AP_{50}
SAIS	fine	17.4	36.7
DIN	fine+coarse	20.0	38.8
Mask R-CNN	fine	26.2	49.9
Mask R-CNN	fine+COCO pretrain	32.0	58.1

Example results





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FCIS vs Mask R-CNN











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Model	backbone	AP^{bb}	AP_{50}^{bb}	AP_{75}^{bb}
Faster R-CNN	ResNet-101-FPN	36.2	59.1	39.0
Faster R-CNN	same + RolAlign	37.3	59.6	40.3
Mask R-CNN	ResNet-101-FPN	38.2	60.3	41.7
Mask R-CNN	ResNeXt-101-FPN	39.8	62.3	43.4

- Backbone (ResNeXt): $+1.6AP^{bb}$
- RoiAlign: $+1.1AP^{bb}$
- Multitask training: +0.9AP^{bb}

Ablation experiments



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Backbone architecture:

net-depth-features	AP	AP_{50}	AP_{75}
ResNet-50-C4	30.3	51.2	31.5
ResNet-101-C4	32.7	54.2	34.3
ResNet-50-FPN	33.6	55.2	35.3
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RolAlign layer:

		stride 16			stride 32*	
	AP	AP_{50}	AP_{75}	AP	AP_{50}	AP_{75}
RolPool	26.9	48.8	26.4	23.6	46.5	21.6
RolAlign	30.2	51.0	31.8	30.9	51.8	32.1

* larger stride means larger misalignments



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Mask branch independence:

last fc layer	AP	AP_{50}	AP_{75}
softmax + multinomial loss	24.8	44.1	25.1
sigmoid $+$ binomial loss	30.3	51.2	31.5
	+5.5	+7.1	+6.4

Human pose estimation



- Task: localize anatomical keypoints
- K keypoint types (e.g. left shoulder, right elbow) $\rightarrow K$ one-hot masks \rightarrow cross-entropy loss, m^2 softmax
- No other domain knowledge employed

Model	AP^{kp}	AP_{50}^{kp}	AP_{75}^{kp}
CMU-Pose+++	61.8	84.9	67.5
G-RMI	62.4	84.0	68.5
Mask R-CNN, keypoint only	62.7	87.0	68.4
Mask R-CNN, keypoint & mask	63.1	87.3	68.7

Examples





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Examples









- Mask R-CNN does detection, classification and instance segmentation.
- Based on Faster R-CNN + mask branch, RolAlign
- State of the art detection and instance segmentation on MS COCO and Cityscapes
- Can do human pose estimation with small adaptations

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Mask R-CNN head architectures





Extended Faster R-CNN head, on ResNet-C4 feature map



Extended Faster R-CNN head, on FPN feature map

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Feature Pyramid Network

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FPN exploits the inherent heirarchy of CNNs to compute multi-scale features:



Source: Lin et al., Feature Pyramid Networks for Object Detection