

Constructing Multiple Tasks for Augmentation: Improving Neural Image Classification With K-means Features

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We need more related tasks!



How to construct multiple related tasks?



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Interpolation:

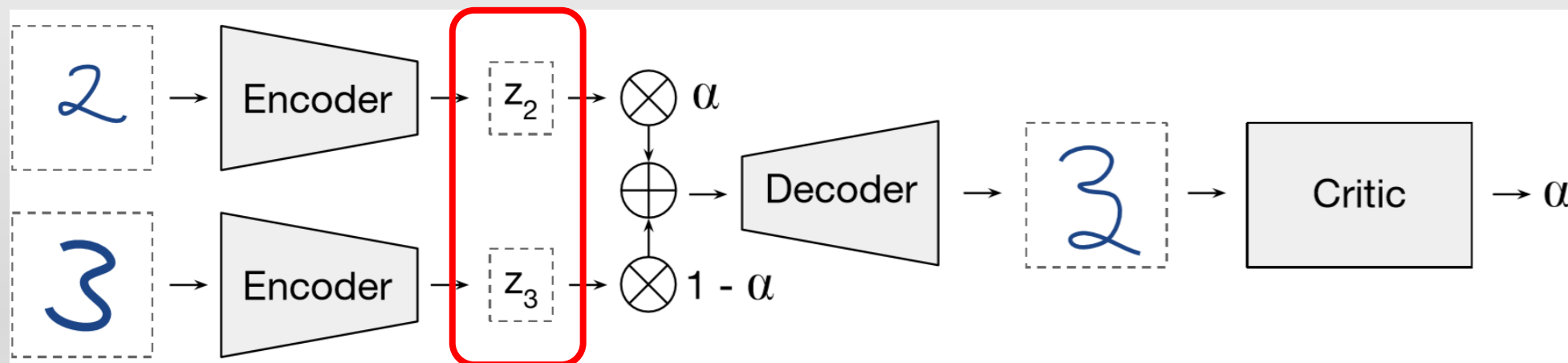




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Table 2: Single-layer classifier accuracy achieved by different autoencoders.

Dataset	d_z	Baseline	Dropout	Denoising	VAE	AAE	VQ-VAE	ACAI
MNIST	32	94.90 \pm 0.14	96.45 \pm 0.42	96.00 \pm 0.27	96.56 \pm 0.31	70.74 \pm 3.27	97.50 \pm 0.18	98.25\pm0.11
	256	93.94 \pm 0.13	94.50 \pm 0.29	98.51 \pm 0.04	98.74 \pm 0.14	90.03 \pm 0.54	97.25 \pm 1.42	99.00\pm0.08
SVHN	32	26.21 \pm 0.42	26.09 \pm 1.48	25.15 \pm 0.78	29.58 \pm 3.22	23.43 \pm 0.79	24.53 \pm 1.33	34.47\pm1.14
	256	22.74 \pm 0.05	25.12 \pm 1.05	77.89 \pm 0.35	66.30 \pm 1.06	22.81 \pm 0.24	44.94 \pm 20.42	85.14\pm0.20
CIFAR-10	256	47.92 \pm 0.20	40.99 \pm 0.41	53.78\pm0.36	47.49 \pm 0.22	40.65 \pm 1.45	42.80 \pm 0.44	52.77 \pm 0.45
	1024	51.62 \pm 0.25	49.38 \pm 0.77	60.65 \pm 0.14	51.39 \pm 0.46	42.86 \pm 0.88	16.22 \pm 12.44	63.99\pm0.47



EXAMPLES OF K-MEANS CLUSTERING



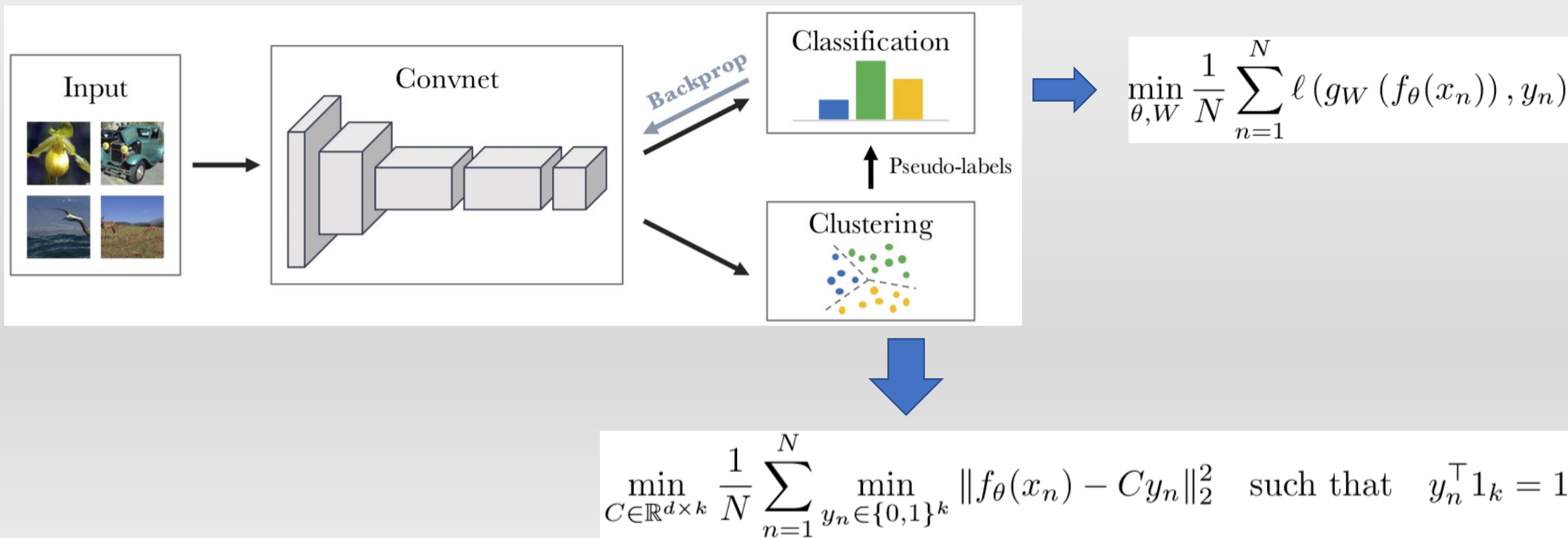
“Blue sky problem”



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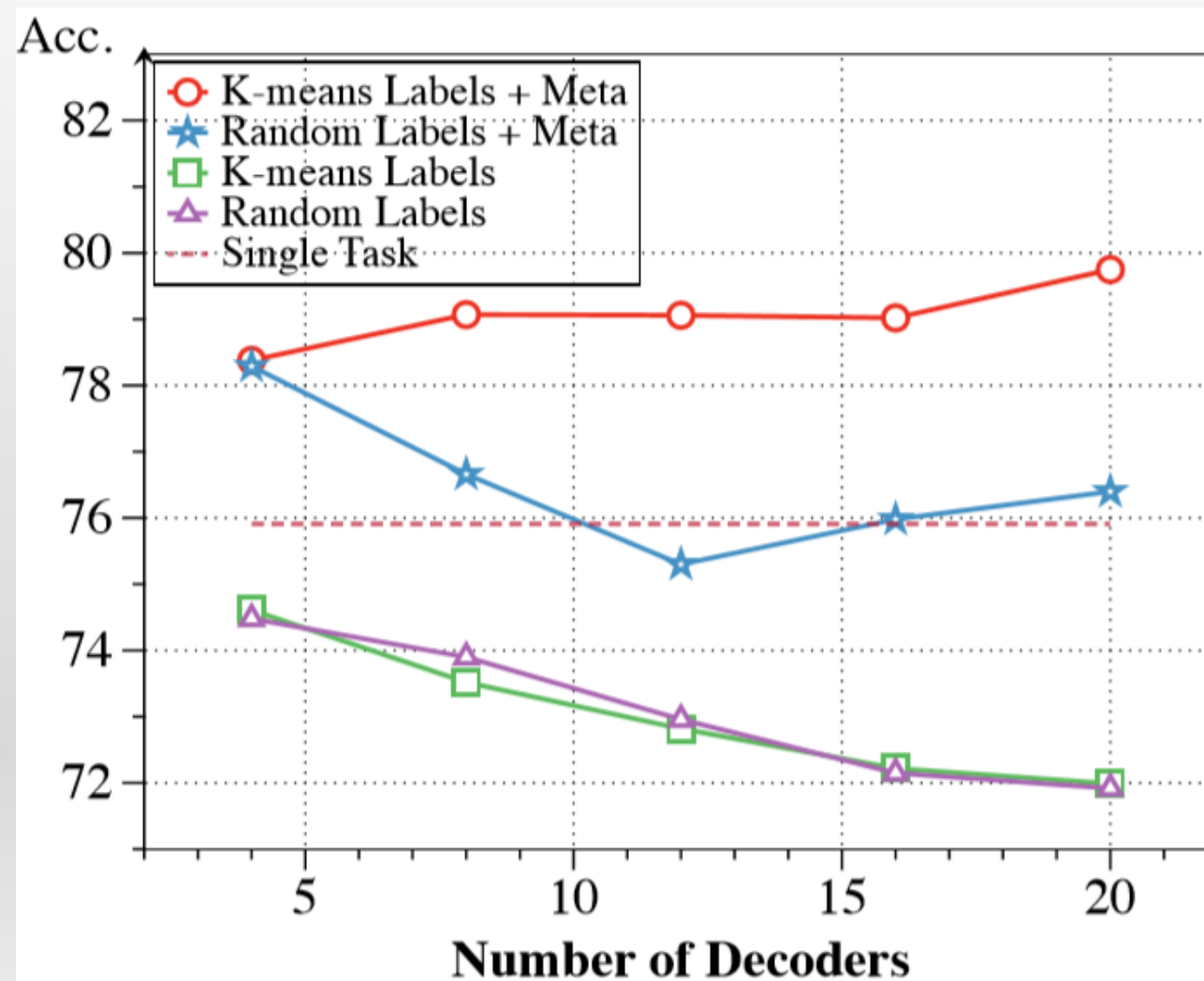
We have enough related tasks!



How to train them?



COMPARISON ON CIFAR10

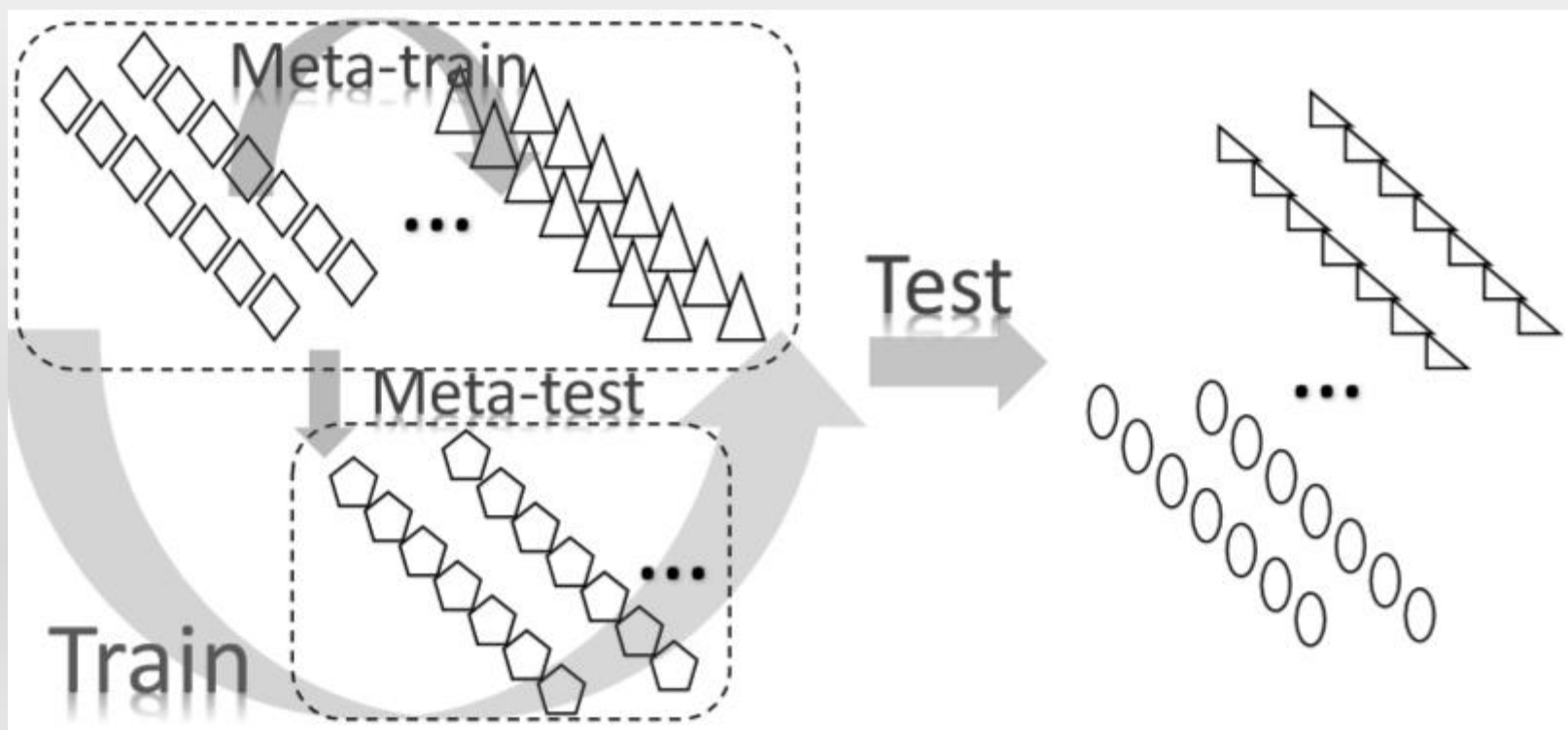




META-LEARNING

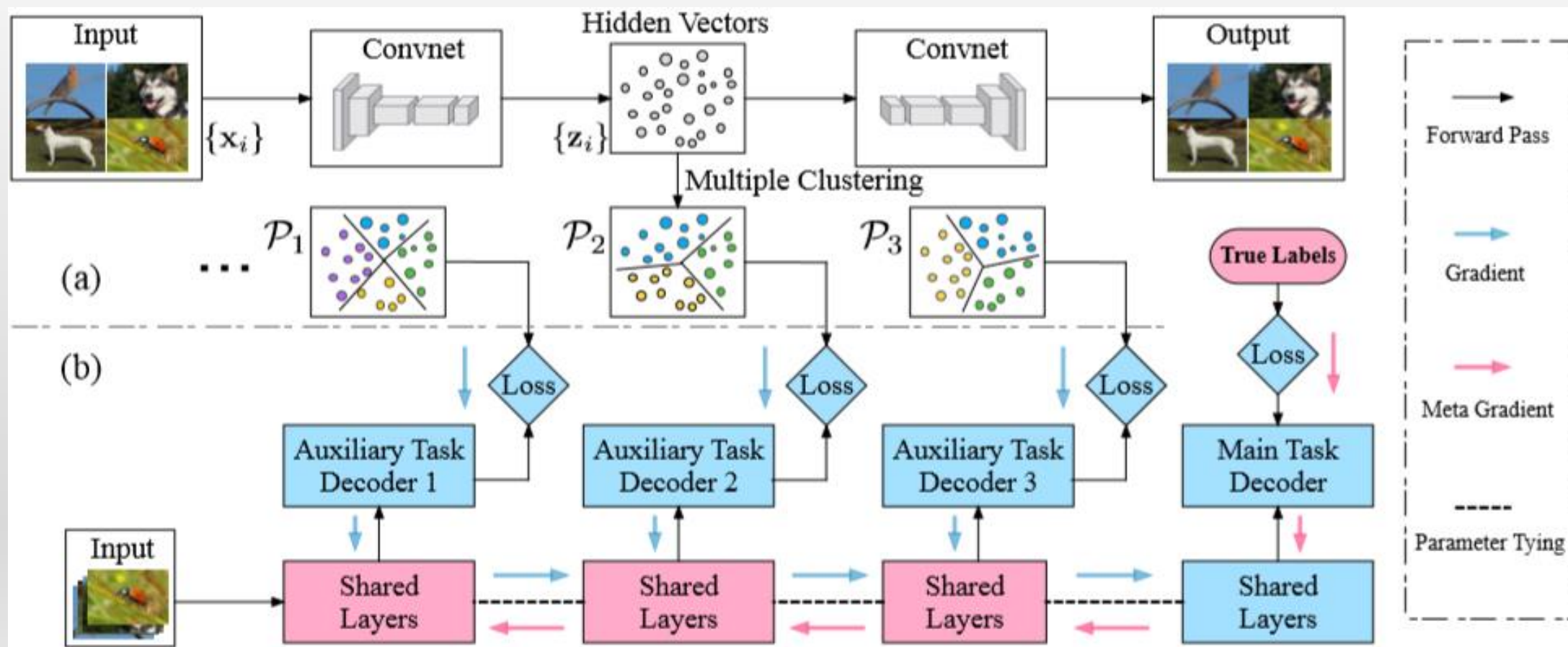


《Learning to generalize: Meta-learning for domain generalization》





META-MTL





Algorithm 1 Meta-MTL with K -means Augmentation

- 1: Run embedding learning algorithm \mathcal{E} on D_{aux} and produce embeddings $\{\mathbf{z}_i\}$ from observations $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}$.
- 2: Run k -means on $\{\mathbf{z}_i\}$ T times (with random scaling or random selection on dimensions) to generate a set of partitions $\{\mathcal{P}_t = \{C^l\}_{l=1}^{L_t}\}_{t=1}^T$, which correspond to a set of auxiliary tasks $\{\mathcal{T}_t\}_{t=1}^T$.
- 3: **for** episode = 1, M **do**
- 4: Sample batch of tasks $\mathcal{T} \sim \{\mathcal{T}_t\}_{t=0}^T$.
- 5: **for all** \mathcal{T} **do**
- 6: Sample K datapoints $D_{\mathcal{T}} = \{\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{y}_j\}$.
- 7: Evaluate $\nabla_{\theta_{\mathcal{F}}}$ and $\nabla_{\theta_{\mathcal{D}_t}}$ using $D_{\mathcal{T}}$ based on Equation 1. →
- 8: Applying gradient decent to update the parameters of task-specific decoders $\theta_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}}$.
- 9: Compute updated parameters $\theta_{\mathcal{F}}^*$ with gradient descent based on Equation 5. →
- 10: Sample datapoints $D_0 = \{\mathbf{x}_j, \mathbf{y}_j\}$ from \mathcal{T}_0 for the meta-update.
- 11: **end for**
- 12: Update the parameters of shared layers $\theta_{\mathcal{F}}$ based on Equation 6. →
- 13: **end for**

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}_i^t = \mathcal{D}_t(\mathcal{F}(\mathbf{x}_i^t; \theta_{\mathcal{F}}); \theta_{\mathcal{D}_t}), \quad (1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}} &= \theta_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}} - \alpha \nabla \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}}(\theta_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}}) \\ \theta_{\mathcal{F}}^* &= \theta_{\mathcal{F}} - \alpha \nabla \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}}(\theta_{\mathcal{F}}). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{\mathcal{F}} &= \theta_{\mathcal{F}} - \beta \nabla \theta_{\mathcal{F}} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}_0}(\theta_{\mathcal{F}}^*) \\ &= \theta_{\mathcal{F}} - \beta \nabla \theta_{\mathcal{F}} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}_0}(\theta_{\mathcal{F}} - \alpha \nabla \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}}}(\theta_{\mathcal{F}})), \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$



1. Limited training data, multiple classes

Method	Acc.
STL (Yang and Hospedales 2016)	65.72
ACAI embedding finetune (Berthelot et al. 2019)	67.91
MTL on all alphabets (Yang and Hospedales 2016)	70.98
MTL + Tasks with random labels, $T = 4$	60.98
MTL + Tasks with k -means labels, $T = 4$	61.26
PTA-F, $T = 4$ (Meyerson and Miikkulainen 2018)	70.63
PTA-F, $T = 10$ (Meyerson and Miikkulainen 2018)	71.52
Meta-MTL, $T = 4$	72.04
Meta-MTL, $T = 10$	74.80

Table 1: Accuracy on Omniglot dataset. The test accuracy averaged across 50 alphabets is shown.



2. Benefit of unlabeled data

Method	Acc.
STL (Yang and Hospedales 2016)	91.83
ACAI embedding finetune (Berthelot et al. 2019)	93.09
Self-training (Rosenberg, Hebert, and Schneiderman 2005)	92.20
Co-training (Chen, Weinberger, and Blitzer 2011)	91.87
MTL + Tasks with random labels, $T = 4$	92.27
MTL + Tasks with k -means labels, $T = 4$	92.86
PTA-F, $T = 4$ (Meyerson and Miikkulainen 2018)	92.67
PTA-F, $T = 10$ (Meyerson and Miikkulainen 2018)	91.98
Meta-MTL, $T = 4$	93.37
Meta-MTL, $T = 10$	94.22
Meta-MTL, $T = 4^\dagger$	93.76
Meta-MTL, $T = 10^\dagger$	94.42

Table 2: Accuracy on MNIST dataset. All of the models use 1% training data. The models marked with \dagger use the remaining unlabeled data.



3. Improve the performance of model with some data augmentation skills.

Model	Acc.	
	CNN	CNN [‡]
STL (Yang and Hospedales 2016)	72.48	75.91
ACAI embedding finetune (Berthelot et al. 2019)	64.94	64.94
MTL + Tasks with random labels, $T = 4$	70.81	74.48
MTL + Tasks with k -means labels $T = 4$	71.06	74.61
PTA-F, $T = 4$ (Meyerson and Miikkulainen 2018)	69.20	72.54
PTA-F, $T = 12$ (Meyerson and Miikkulainen 2018)	68.48	70.96
Meta-MTL, $T = 4$	75.02	78.65
Meta-MTL, $T = 12$	75.69	79.65

Table 3: Accuracy on CIFAR-10 dataset. The models marked with [‡] apply data augmentation.



4. Complex realistic images, multiple classes

Model	Acc.	
	20 C	100 C
STL (Yang and Hospedales 2016)	55.94	44.19
ACAI embedding finetune (Berthelot et al. 2019)	44.37	34.40
MTL + Tasks with random labels	51.00	41.30
MTL + Tasks with k -means labels	51.84	42.30
PTA-F, $T = 8$ (Meyerson and Miikkulainen 2018)	51.67	45.86
PTA-F, $T = 20$ (Meyerson and Miikkulainen 2018)	51.69	47.43
Meta-MTL, $T = 8$	59.66	47.01
Meta-MTL, $T = 20$	60.39	47.94

Table 4: Accuracy on CIFAR-100 dataset. The “20 C” means that the 100 classes in the CIFAR-100 are grouped into 20 superclasses, and the “100 C” means the original 100 classes.


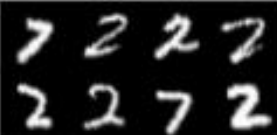









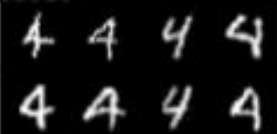















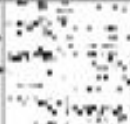
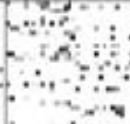


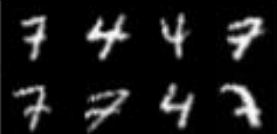






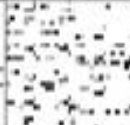

5. Challenging benchmark

Embedding	Model	Acc.
Random initialization	STL	38.98
	MTL, Random Labels	36.70
	PTA-F, $T = 4$	34.93
DeepCluster	Embedding finetune	35.14
	MTL, k -means, $T = 4$, \diamond	37.24
	MTL, k -means, $T = 4$, \heartsuit	36.78
	Meta-MTL, $T = 4$, \diamond	41.07
	Meta-MTL, $T = 4$, \heartsuit	40.86
ACAI	Embedding finetune	22.90
	MTL, k -means, $T = 4$, \diamond	37.36
	MTL, k -means, $T = 4$, \heartsuit	36.98
	Meta-MTL, $T = 4$, \diamond	40.43
	Meta-MTL, $T = 4$, \heartsuit	40.60

Table 5: Accuracy on miniImageNet dataset. The models marked with \diamond apply the random scaling on the embeddings to obtain the different tasks, while those marked with \heartsuit apply random selection for half of the dimensions on the embeddings.



Visualization

Input	True Label	STL	Meta-MTL	Sampled Images in Clusters	Euclidean Distance in STL				Euclidean Distance in Meta-MTL			
	2	8	2		 \rightarrow 	26.13		\leftarrow 	 \rightarrow 	28.98		\leftarrow 
	4	9	4		 \rightarrow 	17.98		\leftarrow 	 \rightarrow 	19.30		\leftarrow 
	6	4	6		 \rightarrow 	33.30		\leftarrow 	 \rightarrow 	36.16		\leftarrow 
	7	2	7		 \rightarrow 	35.53		\leftarrow 	 \rightarrow 	38.40		\leftarrow 



*Thank you
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