Generative Probabilistic Novelty Detection with Adversarial Autoencoders

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Abstract

Novelty detection is the problem of identifying whether a new data point is considered to be an inlier or an outlier. We assume that training data is available to describe only the inlier distribution. Recent approaches primarily leverage deep encoder-decoder network architectures to compute a reconstruction error that is used to either compute a novelty score or to train a one-class classifier. While we too leverage a novel network of that kind, we take a probabilistic approach and effectively compute how likely is that a sample was generated by the inlier distribution. We achieve this with two main contributions. First, we make the computation of the novelty probability feasible because we linearize the parameterized manifold capturing the underlying structure of the inlier distribution, and show how the probability factorizes and can be computed with respect to local coordinates of the manifold tangent space. Second, we improved the training of the autoencoder network. An extensive set of results show that the approach achieves state-of-the-art results on several benchmark datasets.

1 Introduction

Novelty detection is the problem of identifying whether a new data point is considered to be an *inlier* or an *outlier*. From a statistical point of view this process usually occurs while prior knowledge of the distribution of inliers is the only information available. This is also the most difficult and relevant scenario because outliers are often very rare, or even dangerous to experience (e.g., in industry process fault detection [1]), and there is a need to rely only on inlier training data. Novelty detection has received significant attention in application areas such as medical diagnoses [2], drug discovery [3], and among others, several computer vision applications, such as anomaly detection in images [4, 5], videos [6], and outlier detection [7, 8]. We refer to [9] for a general review on novelty detection. The most recent approaches are based on learning deep network architectures [10, 11], and they tend to either learn a one-class classifier [12, 11], or to somehow leverage as novelty score, the reconstruction error of the encoder-decoder architecture they are based on [13, 7].

In this work, we introduce a new encoder-decoder architecture as well, which is based on adversarial autoencoders [14]. However, we do not train a one-class classifier, instead, we learn the probability distribution of the inliers. Therefore, the novelty test simply becomes the evaluation of the probability of a test sample, and rare samples (outliers) fall below a given threshold. We show that this approach allows us to effectively use the decoder network to learn the parameterized manifold shaping the inlier distribution, in conjunction with the probability distribution of the (parameterizing) latent space. The approach is made computationally feasible because for a given test sample we linearize the manifold, and show that with respect to the local manifold coordinates the data model distribution factorizes into a component dependent on the manifold (decoder network plus latent distribution), and another one dependent on the noise, which can also be learned offline.

We named the approach *generative probabilistic novelty detection (GPND)* because we compute the probability distribution of the full model, which includes the signal plus noise portion, and because it relies on being able to also generating data samples. We are mostly concerned with novelty detection using images, and with controlling the distribution of the latent space to ensure good generative reproduction of the inlier distribution. This is essential not so much to ensure good image generation, but for the correct computation of the novelty score. This aspect has been overlooked by the deep learning literature so far, since the focus has been only on leveraging the reconstruction error. We do leverage that as well, but we show in our framework that the reconstruction error affects only the noise portion of the model. In order to control the latent distribution and image generation we learn an adversarial autoencoder network with two discriminators that address these two issues.

Section 2 reviews the related work. Section 3 introduces the GPND framework, and Section 4 describes the training and architecture of the adversarial autoencoder network. Section 6 shows a rich set of experiments showing that GPND is very effective and produces state-of-the-art results on several benchmarks.

2 Related Work

Novelty detection is the task of recognizing abnormality in data. The literature in this area is sizable. Novelty detection methods can be statistical and probabilistic based [15, 16], distance based [17], and also based on self-representation [8]. Recently, deep learning approaches [7, 11] have also been used, greatly improving the performance of novelty detection.

Statistical methods [18, 19, 15, 16] usually focus on modeling the distribution of inliers by learning the parameters defining the probability, and outliers are identified as those having low probability under the learned model. Distance based outlier detection methods [20, 17, 21] identify outliers by their distance to neighboring examples. They assume that inliers are close to each other while the abnormal samples are far from their nearest neighbors. A known work in this category is LOF [22], which is based on k-nearest neighbors and density based estimation. More recently, [23] introduced the Kernel Null Foley-Sammon Transform (KNFST) for multi-class novelty detection, where training samples of each known category are projected onto a single point in the null space and then distances between the projection of a test sample and the class representatives are used to obtain a novelty measure. [24] improves on previous approaches by proposing an incremental procedure called Incremental Kernel Null Space Based Discriminant Analysis (IKNDA).

Since outliers do not have sparse representations, self-representation approaches have been proposed for outlier detection in a union of subspaces [4, 25]. Similarly, deep learning based approaches have used neural networks and leveraged the reconstruction error of encoder-decoder architectures. [26, 27] used deep learning based autoencoders to learn the model of normal behaviors and employed a reconstruction loss to detect outliers. [28] used a GAN [29] based method by generating new samples similar to the training data, and demonstrated its ability to describe the training data. Then it transformed the implicit data description of normal data to a novelty score. [10] trained GANs using optical flow images to learn a representation of scenes in videos. [7] minimized the reconstruction error of an autoencoder to remove outliers from noisy data, and by utilizing the gradient magnitude of the auto-encoder they make the reconstruction error more discriminative for positive samples. In [11] they proposed a framework for one-class classification and novelty detection. It consists of two main modules learned in an adversarial fashion. The first is a decoder-encoder convolutional neural network trained to reconstruct inliers accurately, while the second is a one-class classifier made with another network that produces the novelty score.

The proposed approach relates to the statistical methods because it aims at computing the probability distribution of test samples as novelty score, but it does so by leanning the manifold structure of the distribution with an encoder-decoder network. Moreover, the method is different from those that learn a one-class classifier, or rely on the reconstruction error to compute the novelty score, because in our framework it represents only one component of the sore computation, allowing to achieve an improved performance.

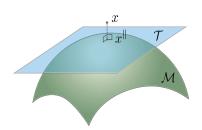


Figure 1: Manifold schematic representation. This figure shows connection between the parametrized manifold \mathcal{M} , its tangent space \mathcal{T} , data point x and its projection x^{\parallel} .

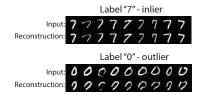


Figure 2: **Reconstruction of inliers and outliers.** This figure showns reconstructions for the autoencoder network that was trained on inlier of label "7" of MNIST [30] dataset. First line is input of inliers of label "7", the second line shows corresponding reconstructions. The third line corresponds to input of outlier of label "0" and the forth line, corresponding reconstructions.

3 Generative Probabilistic Novelty Detection

We assume that training data points x_1, \ldots, x_N , where $x_i \in \mathbb{R}^m$, are sampled, possibly with noise ξ_i , from the model

$$x_i = f(z_i) + \xi_i \qquad i = 1, \dots, N , \qquad (1)$$

where $z_i \in \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. The mapping $f: \Omega \to \mathbb{R}^m$ defines $\mathcal{M} \equiv f(\Omega)$, which is a parameterized manifold of dimension n, with n < m. We also assume that the Jacobi matrix of f is full rank at every point of the manifold. We also assume that there is another mapping $g: \mathbb{R}^m \to \mathbb{R}^n$, such that for every $x \in \mathcal{M}$, it follows that f(g(x)) = x, which means that g acts as the inverse of f on such points.

Given a new data point $\bar{x}\in\mathbb{R}^m$, we design a novelty test to assert whether \bar{x} was sampled from model (1). We begin by observing that \bar{x} can be non-linearly projected onto $\bar{x}^{\parallel}\in\mathcal{M}$ via $\bar{x}^{\parallel}=f(\bar{z})$, where $\bar{z}=g(\bar{x})$. Assuming f to be smooth enough, we perform a linearization based on its first-order Taylor expansion

$$f(z) = f(\bar{z}) + J_f(\bar{z})(z - \bar{z}) + O(\|z - \bar{z}\|^2),$$
(2)

where $J_f(\bar{z})$ is the Jacobi matrix computed at \bar{z} , and $\|\cdot\|$ is the L₂ norm. We note that $\mathcal{T}=\operatorname{span}(J_f(\bar{z}))$ represents the tangent space of f at $\bar{x}^\|$ that is spanned by the n independent column vectors of $J_f(\bar{z})$, see figure 1. Also, we have that $\mathcal{T}=\operatorname{span}(U^\|)$, where $J_f(\bar{z})=U^\|SV^\top$ is the singular value decomposition (SVD) of the Jacobi matrix. The matrix $U^\|$ has rank n, and if we define U^\perp such that $U=[U^\|U^\perp]$ is a unitary matrix, we can represent the data point \bar{x} with respect to the local coordinates that define the tangent space \mathcal{T} , and its orthogonal complement \mathcal{T}^\perp . This is done by computing

$$\bar{w} = U^{\top} \bar{x} = \begin{bmatrix} U^{\parallel \top} \bar{x} \\ U^{\perp \top} \bar{x} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{w}^{\parallel} \\ \bar{w}^{\perp} \end{bmatrix} , \tag{3}$$

where the rotated coordinates \bar{w} are decomposed into \bar{w}^{\parallel} , which are parallel to \mathcal{T} , and \bar{w}^{\perp} which are orthogonal to \mathcal{T} .

We now indicate with $p_X(x)$ the probability density function describing the random variable X, from which training data points have been drawn. Also, $p_W(w)$ is the probability density function of the random variable W representing X after the change of coordinates. The two distributions are identical. However, we make the assumption that the coordinates W^{\parallel} , which are parallel to \mathcal{T} , and the coordinates W^{\perp} , which are orthogonal to \mathcal{T} , are statistically independent. This means that the following holds

$$p_X(x) = p_W(w) = p_W(w^{\parallel}, w^{\perp}) = p_{W^{\parallel}}(w^{\parallel}) p_{W^{\perp}}(w^{\perp}).$$
 (4)

This is motivated by the fact that in (1) the noise ξ is assumed to predominantly deviate the point x away from the manifold \mathcal{M} in a direction orthogonal to \mathcal{T} . This means that W^{\perp} is primarely

responsible for the noise effects, and since noise and drawing from the manifold are statistically independent, so are W^{\parallel} and W^{\perp} .

From (4), given a new data point \bar{x} , we propose to perform novelty detection by executing the following test

$$p_X(\bar{x}) = p_{W^{\parallel}}(\bar{w}^{\parallel})p_{W^{\perp}}(\bar{w}^{\perp}) = \begin{cases} \geq \gamma & \Longrightarrow & \text{Inlier} \\ < \gamma & \Longrightarrow & \text{Outlier} \end{cases} , \tag{5}$$

where γ is a suitable threshold.

3.1 Computing the distribution of data samples

The novelty detector (5) requires the computation of $p_{W^{\parallel}}(w^{\parallel})$ and $p_{W^{\perp}}(w^{\perp})$. Given a test data point $\bar{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$ its non-linear projection onto \mathcal{M} is $\bar{x}^{\parallel} = f(g(\bar{x}))$. Therefore, \bar{w}^{\parallel} can be written as $\bar{w}^{\parallel} = U^{\parallel^{\top}}\bar{x} = U^{\parallel^{\top}}(\bar{x} - \bar{x}^{\parallel}) + U^{\parallel^{\top}}\bar{x}^{\parallel} = U^{\parallel^{\top}}\bar{x}^{\parallel}$, where we have made the approximation that $U^{\parallel^{\top}}(\bar{x} - \bar{x}^{\parallel}) \approx 0$. Since $\bar{x}^{\parallel} \in \mathcal{M}$, then in its neighborhood it can be parameterized as in (2), which means that $w^{\parallel}(z) = U^{\parallel^{\top}}f(\bar{z}) + SV^{\top}(z - \bar{z}) + O(\|z - \bar{z}\|^2)$. Therefore, if Z represents the random variable from which samples are drawn from the parameterized manifold, and $p_Z(z)$ is its probability density function, then it follows that

$$p_{W^{\parallel}}(w^{\parallel}) = |\det S^{-1}| \, p_Z(z) \,,$$
 (6)

since V is a unitary matrix. We note that $p_Z(z)$ is a quantity that is independent from the linearization (2), and therefore it can be learned offline, as explained in Section 5.

In order to compute $p_{W^{\perp}}(w^{\perp})$, we approximate it with its average over the hypersphere S^{m-n-1} of radius $||w^{\perp}||$, giving rise to

$$p_{W^{\perp}}(w^{\perp}) \approx \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{m-n}{2}\right)}{2\pi^{\frac{m-n}{2}} \|w^{\perp}\|^{m-n}} p_{\|W^{\perp}\|}(\|w^{\perp}\|),$$
 (7)

where $\Gamma(\cdot)$ represents the gamma function. This is motivated by the fact that noise of a given intensity will be equally present in every direction. Moreover, its computation depends on $p_{\parallel W^{\perp}\parallel}(\parallel w^{\perp}\parallel)$, which is the distribution of the norms of w^{\perp} , and which can easily be learned offline by histogramming the quantities $\bar{w}^{\perp} = U^{\perp \top} \bar{x} = U^{\perp \top} (\bar{x} - \bar{x}^{\parallel}) + U^{\perp \top} \bar{x}^{\parallel} = U^{\perp \top} (\bar{x} - \bar{x}^{\parallel})$, where we have made the approximation that $U^{\perp \top} \bar{x}^{\parallel} \approx 0$.

4 Manifold learning with adversarial autoencoders

In this section we describe the network architecture and the training procedure for learning the mapping f that define the parameterized manifold \mathcal{M} , and also the mapping g. The mappings g and f represent and are modeled by an *encoder* network, and a *decoder* network, respectively. Similarly to previous work on novelty detection [31, 32, 33, 7, 11, 13], such networks are based on autoencoders [34, 35].

The autoencoder network and training should be such that they reproduce the manifold \mathcal{M} as closely as possible. For instance, if \mathcal{M} represents the distribution of images depicting a certain object category, we would want the estimated encoder and decoder to be able to generate images as if they were drawn from the real distribution. Differently from previous work, we require the latent space, represented by z, to be close to a known distribution, preferably a normal distribution, and we would also want each of the components of z to be maximally informative, which is why we require them to be independent random variables. Doing so facilitates learning a distribution $p_Z(z)$ from training data mapped onto the latent space Ω . This means that the autoenoder has generative properties, because by sampling from $p_Z(z)$ we would generate data points $x \in \mathcal{M}$. Note that differently from GANs [29] we also require an encoder function q.

Variational Auto-Encoders (VAEs) [37] are known to work well in presence of continuous latent variables and they can generate data from a randomly sampled latent space. VAEs utilize stochastic variational inference and minimize the Kullback-Leibler (KL) divergence penalty to impose a prior

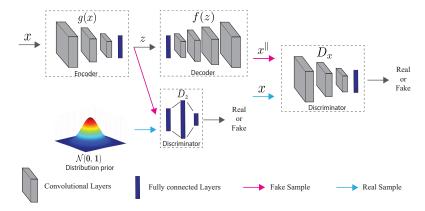


Figure 3: **Architecture overview.** Architecture of the network for manifold learning. It is based on Adversarial Autoenconder (AAE) [14]. Similarly to [36, 11] it has an additional adversarial component to improve generative capabilities of decoded images and a better manifold learning.

distribution on the latent space that encourages the encoder to learn the modes of the prior distribution. Adversarial Autoencoders (AAEs) [14], in contrast to VAEs, use an adversarial training paradigm to match the posterior distribution of the latent space with the given distribution. One of the advantages of AAEs over VAEs is that the adversarial training procedure encourages the encoder to match the whole distribution of the prior.

Unfortunately, since we are concerned with working with images, both AAEs and VAEs tend to produce examples that are often far from the real data manifold. This is because the decoder part of the network is updated only from a reconstruction loss that is typically a pixel-wise cross-entropy between input and output image. Such loss often causes the generated images to be blurry, which has a negative effect on the proposed approach. Similarly to AAEs, PixelGAN autoencoders [38] introduce the adversarial component to impose a prior distribution on the latent code, but the architecture is significantly different, since it is conditioned on the latent code.

Similarly to [36, 11] we add an adversarial training criterion to match the output of the decoder with the distribution of real data. This allows to reduce blurriness and add more local details to the generated images. Moreover, we also combine the adversarial training criterion with AAEs, which results in having two adversarial losses: one to impose a prior on the latent space distribution, and the second one to impose a prior on the output distribution.

Our full objective consists of three terms. First, we use an adversarial loss for matching the distribution of the latent space with the prior distribution, which is a normal with 0 mean, and standard deviation $1, \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$. Second, we use an adversarial loss for matching the distribution of the decoded images from z and the known, training data distribution. Third, we use an autoencoder loss between the decoded images and the encoded input image. Figure 3 shows the architecture configuration

4.1 Adversarial losses

For the discriminator D_z , we use the following adversarial loss:

$$\mathcal{L}_{adv-d_z}(x, g, D_z) = E[\log(D_z(\mathcal{N}(0, 1)))] + E[\log(1 - D_z(g(x)))],$$
(8)

where the encode g tries to encode x to a z with distribution close to $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$. D_z aims to distinguish between the encoding produced by g and the prior normal distribution. Hence, g tries to minimize this objective against an adversary D_z that tries to maximize it.

Similarly, we add the adversarial loss for the discriminator D_x :

$$\mathcal{L}_{adv-d_x}(x, D_x, f) = E[\log(D_x(x))] + E[\log(1 - D_x(f(\mathcal{N}(0, 1))))],$$
(9)

where the decoder f tries to generate x from a normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$, in a way that x is as if it was sampled from the real distribution. D_x aims to distinguish between the decoding generated by f and the real data points x. Hence, f tries to minimize this objective against an adversary D_x that tries to maximize it.

4.2 Autoencoder loss

We also optimize jointly the encoder g and the decoder f so that we minimize the reconstruction error for the input x that belongs to the known data distribution.

$$\mathcal{L}_{error}(x, g, f) = -E_z[\log(p(f(g(x))|x))], \qquad (10)$$

where \mathcal{L}_{error} is minus the expected log-likelihood, i.e., the reconstruction error. This loss does not have an adversarial component but it is essential to train an autoencoder. By minimizing this loss we encourage g and f to better approximate the real manifold.

4.3 Full objective

The combination of all the previous losses gives

$$\mathcal{L}(x, g, D_z, D_x, f) = \mathcal{L}_{adv-d_z}(x, g, D_z) + \mathcal{L}_{adv-d_z}(x, D_x, f) + \lambda \mathcal{L}_{error}(x, g, f) , \qquad (11)$$

Where λ is a parameter that strikes a balance between the reconstruction and the other losses. The autoencoder network is obtained by minimizing (11), giving:

$$\hat{g}, \hat{f} = \arg\min_{g, f} \max_{D_x, D_z} \mathcal{L}(x, g, D_z, D_x, f) . \tag{12}$$

The model is trained using stochastic gradient descent by doing alternative updates of each component as follows

- Maximize \mathcal{L}_{adv-d_x} by updating weights of D_x ;
- Minimize \mathcal{L}_{adv-d_x} by updating weights of f;
- Maximize \mathcal{L}_{adv-d_z} by updating weights of D_z ;
- Minimize \mathcal{L}_{error} and \mathcal{L}_{adv-d_z} by updating weights of g and f.

5 Novelty test parameters computation

After learning the encoder and decoder networks, by mapping the training set onto the latent space through g, we fit to the data a generalized Gaussian distribution and estimate $p_Z(z)$. In addition, by histogramming the quantities $\|U^{\perp \top}(x-x^{\parallel})\|$ we estimate $p_{\|W^{\perp}\|}(\|w^{\perp}\|)$. Finally, the computation of the Jacobi matrix J_f is performed more efficiently by computing J_g , with respect to the input x, and then computing a SVD, so that $J_g = VSU^{\parallel \top}$. This is done by leveraging the automatic differentiation capabilities of the deep machine learning framework PyTorch [39].

6 Experiments

We evaluate our novelty detection approach on the following datasets: MNIST [30], The Coil-100 [40], and Fashion-MNIST [41]. We compare the performance of our approach against several state-of-the-art approaches using the F_1 measure and the area under the ROC curve (AUC).

6.1 Experimental setup

All reported results for the proposed approach, that we call *Generative Probabilistic Novelty Detection (GPND)* are from our implementation using the deep machine learning framework PyTorch [39], which we ran on an NVIDIA TITAN X. An overview of the architecture is provided in Figure 3.

6.2 Datasets

- MNIST [30] contains 70,000 handwritten digits from 0 to 9. Each of ten categories is used as inlier class and the rest of the categories are used as outliers.
- The Coil-100 dataset [40] contains 7, 200 images of 100 different objects. Each object has 72 images taken at pose intervals of 5 degrees. We downscale images to size 32×32 . We take randomly n categories, where $n \in 1, 4, 7$ and randomly sample the rest of categories for outliers. We repeat this procedure 30 times.

Table 1: Results on the MNIST [30] dataset. Inliers are taken to be images of one category, and outliers are randomly chosen from other categories.

% of outliers	$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{R}(X))$ [11]	$\mathcal{D}(X)$ [11]	LOF [22]	DRAE [7]	GPND(Ours)
10	0.97	0.93	0.92	0.95	0.967
20	<u>0.92</u>	0.90	0.83	0.91	0.951
30	<u>0.92</u>	0.87	0.72	0.88	0.941
40	<u>0.91</u>	0.84	0.65	0.82	0.935
50	0.88	0.82	0.55	0.73	0.932

Table 2: Results on the Coil-100 database. Inliers are taken to be images of one, four, or seven randomly chosen categories, and outliers are randomly chosen from other categories (at most one from each category)

	OutRank [44, 45]	CoP [46]	REAPER [47]	OutlierPursuit [48]	LRR [49]	DPCP [50]	ℓ_1 thresholding	R-graph [8]	Ours
	Inliers: one category of images , Outliers: 50%								
AUC F1	0.836 0.862	0.843 0.866	0.900 0.892	0.908 0.902	$0.847 \\ 0.872$	0.900 0.882	0.991 0.978	0.997 0.990	0.968 <u>0.979</u>
Inliers: four category of images , Outliers: 25%									
AUC F1	0.613 0.491	0.628 0.500	0.877 0.703	0.837 0.686	0.687 0.541	$0.859 \\ 0.684$	0.992 0.941	0.996 0.970	0.945 0.960
Inliers: seven category of images , Outliers: 15%									
AUC F1	0.570 0.342	$0.580 \\ 0.346$	0.824 0.541	0.822 0.528	$0.628 \\ 0.366$	0.804 0.511	0.991 0.897	0.996 0.955	0.919 0.941

• Fashion-MNIST [41] is a new dataset comprising of 28×28 grayscale images of 70,000 fashion products from 10 categories, with 7,000 images per category. The training set has 60,000 images and the test set has 10,000 images. Fashion-MNIST shares the same image size, data format and the structure of training and testing splits with original MNIST.

MNIST dataset. We follow the protocol described in [11, 7] with some differences discussed below. We perform 5-fold cross-validation and all results are reported as average from cross-validation. We split the dataset into 5 folds, each of which takes 20% of each class. We use 60% samples of each class for training, 20% samples for validation, and 20% for testing. Validation set is used to find the optimal threshold γ . Once $p_X(\bar{x})$ is computed for each sample in validation set, we search for such γ that gives the highest F_1 measure. For each class of digit, we train the proposed model and simulate outliers as randomly sampled images from other categories with proportion from 10% to 50%. Results for $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{R}(X))$ and $\mathcal{D}(X)$ reported in [11] correspond to the protocol for which data is not split into separate training, validation and testing sets, meaning that the same inliers are used for testing, which were used during training the network. We diverge from this protocol and do not reuse inliers, but follow 60%/20%/20% splits for training, validation and testing.

Results on MNIST dataset are shown in table 1, where we compare with [11, 22, 7].

Coil-100 dataset. We follow the protocol described in [8] with some differences discussed below. We perform 5-fold cross-validation and all results are reported as average from cross-validation. We split the dataset into 5 folds, each of which takes 20% of each class. Because count of samples per category is very small, we use 80% samples of each class for training, 20% samples for testing. We find the optimal threshold γ on training set. Results reported in [8] correspond to the protocol for which data is not split into separate training, validation and testing sets, which is not essential, since in [8] is used pretrained VGG [42] network on ImageNet [43]. We diverge from this protocol and do not reuse inliers and follow 80%/20% splits for training and testing.

Results on Coil-100 dataset are shown in table 2. We do not outperform R-graph [8], however the R-graph as mentioned before uses pretrained VGG network, while we train autoencoder from scratch on very limited number samples, which is on average only 70 per category.

Fashion-MNIST [41]. We repeat the same experiment with the same protocol that we have used for MNIST, but on Fashion-MNIST dataset. Results are provided in table 3.

Table 3: Results on the Fashion-MNIST [41] dataset. Inliers are taken to be images of one category, and outliers are randomly chosen from other categories.

% of outliers	10	20	30	40	50
F1	0.961	.929	0.891	0.841	0.809
AUC	0.915	0.910	0.907	0.902	0.901

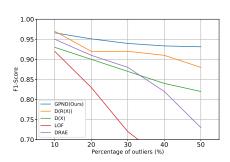


Figure 4: Results on MNIST [30] dataset.

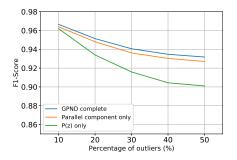


Figure 5: **Ablation study.** "GPND Complete" corresponds to unmodified approach. "Parallel component only" corresponds to the modification, where the perpendicular component is ignored and the " $p_Z(z)$ only" corresponds to very rough approximation $p_X(\bar{x}) = p_Z(z)$.

6.3 Ablation

To justify importance of each component of $p_X(\bar{x})$ described in (5) we repeat experiment with MNIST dataset under the following conditions:

- GPND Complete. Unmodified approach, where $p_X(\bar{x})=p_{W^{\parallel}}(\bar{w}^{\parallel})p_{W^{\perp}}(\bar{w}^{\perp}),$ same as in (5).
- ullet Parallel component only. We drop perpendicular component $p_{W^{\perp}}$ and assume that $p_X(\bar{x}) = p_{W^{\parallel}}(\bar{w}^{\parallel}).$
- $p_Z(z)$ only. We also drop $|\det S^{-1}|$ and assume that $p_X(\bar{x}) = p_Z(z)$.

The results are shown in figure 5. Because the curve that corresponds to "GPND Complete" performs better than curve with parallel component only, we can conclude that the perpendicular component in (5) is important. In addition, because curve with parallel component only performs significantly better than " $p_Z(z)$ only" one, we can conclude that the scaling factor $|\det S^{-1}|$ plays essential role.

7 Conclusion

We presented a approach and a network architecture for novelty detection that is based on learning mappings f and g that define the parameterized manifold $\mathcal M$ which captures the underlying structure of the inlier distribution. Unlike prior deep learning based methods, ours detects that a given sample is an outlier by computing the probability distribution. This is possible by linearizing the non-linear distribution manifold $\mathcal M$, and then approximate the probability density function that factorizes with respect to the local coordinates of the manifold tangent space. Our analysis showed that the method shows substantial performance increase in identifying outliers when compared with the state of the art.

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