# Deep Hashing with Active Pairwise Supervision

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## Supplementary

## A. Proof of (5)

According to (4), we obtain the following inequality for the empirical risk:

$$\mathbb{E}_M(J) \leqslant \hat{\mathbb{E}}_M(J) + \Phi \tag{1}$$

Where  $\Phi = 2R_c(\Omega) + \sqrt{\frac{\ln 1/\delta}{c}}$  means the model complexity. Using the true risk E(J) to minus the above inequality, we can obtain (5).

### B. Proof of Three Properties of the Distance Defined in (10)

We define the distance between binary code pairs as follows:

$$d(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}), \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}))$$

$$= \min(||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b)||_F,$$

$$||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b)||_F)$$

Generally, the distance in the Hamming space has three fundamental mathematical properties: non-negativity, symmetry and triangle inequality. We show that the defined distance satisfies the above three properties in the following.

## Non-negativity and Symmetry:

These two properties are obvious according to the non-negativity and symmetry of the Frobenius norm.

### Triangle Inequality:

The triangle inequality means that for any sample pairs x, t, s, we have

$$d(\mathcal{H}(x), \mathcal{H}(t)) + d(\mathcal{H}(t), \mathcal{H}(s)) \ge d(\mathcal{H}(x), \mathcal{H}(s))$$

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We prove it in the following:

$$\begin{split} &d(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}),\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t})) + d(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}),\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s})) \\ &= \min \left\{ ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b)||_F, \\ &||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b)||_F \right\} + \\ &\min \left\{ ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_b)||_F, \\ &||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_b)||_F \right\} \\ &= \min \left\{ A, B \right\} + \min \left\{ C, D \right\} \\ &= \min \left\{ A + C, B + C, A + D, B + D \right\} \end{split}$$

Where

$$\begin{split} &A + C \\ &= \Big\{ ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b)||_F \Big\} + \\ &\quad \Big\{ ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_b)||_F \Big\} + \\ &\quad \Big\{ ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_a)||_F \Big\} + \\ &\quad \Big\{ ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_b)||_F \Big\} \\ &\geq ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_b)||_F \\ &\geq \min \Big\{ ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_b)||_F, \\ &\quad ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_b) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_a)||_F + ||\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_a) - \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}_b)||_F \Big\} \\ &= d(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}), \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s})) \end{split}$$

Similarly, we have

$$B + C, A + D, B + D \ge d(\mathcal{H}(x), \mathcal{H}(s))$$

Thus,

$$d(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}), \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t})) + d(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{t}), \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}))$$

$$= \min \left\{ A + C, B + C, A + D, B + D \right\}$$

$$\geq d(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}), \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{s}))$$

Q.E.D.

### C. Proof of (11)

Similar to [1], we hope to minimize the MMD objective:

$$MMD\left[\mathcal{L} \cup \mathcal{Q}, \mathcal{U} \setminus \mathcal{Q}\right] = \inf_{\mathbf{k}_{1}, \mathbf{k}_{2}} \left\| \frac{1}{l+q} \sum_{i=1}^{l+q} \mathcal{T}_{k_{1,i}} \left(\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}_{1,i})\right) - \frac{1}{u-q} \sum_{i=1}^{u-q} \mathcal{T}_{k_{2,i}} \left(\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{x}_{2,i})\right) \right\|_{F}^{2}$$

$$(2)$$

where  $\mathbf{x}_{1,i} \in \mathcal{L} \cup \mathcal{Q}$  is the  $i_{th}$  pair sampled from the labeled and query sets, and  $\mathbf{x}_{2,i} \in \mathcal{U} \setminus \mathcal{Q}$  is the  $i_{th}$  pair sampled from the unlabeled excluding query instances.  $k_{1,i}$  and  $k_{2,i}$  is the  $i_{th}$  element of the permutation indicator  $\mathbf{k}_1 \in \{0,1\}^{l+q}$  and  $\mathbf{k}_2 \in \{0,1\}^{u-q}$ .

Next we define a binary vector  $\alpha$  of size u to demonstrate the sample selection. Thus the problem reduces to finding  $\alpha$  that minimize the MMD objective:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} \left\| \frac{1}{l+q} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{l} \mathcal{T}_{k_{L,i}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{L,i})) + \sum_{j=1}^{u} \alpha_{j} \mathcal{T}_{k_{U,j}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,j})) \right) - \frac{1}{u-q} \sum_{j=1}^{u} (1-\alpha_{j}) \mathcal{T}_{k_{U,j}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,j})) \right\|_{F}^{2}$$

$$s.t. \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \{0,1\}^{u}, ||\boldsymbol{\alpha}||_{1} = q$$
(3)

where we define  $x_{U,i}$  and  $x_{L,i}$  as the  $i_{th}$  pair sampled from the unlabeled and labeled sets.  $k_L \in \{0,1\}^l$  and  $k_U \in \{0,1\}^u$  as the corresponding permutation indicator, whose  $j_{th}$  elements are denoted as  $k_{L,j}$  and  $k_{U,j}$  respectively.  $\alpha_j$  represents for the  $j_{th}$  element of  $\alpha$ .

We can rewrite (2) as:

$$\begin{aligned} \min_{\alpha} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^{l} \mathcal{T}_{k_{L,i}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{L,i})) + \frac{n}{u-q} \sum_{j=1}^{u} \alpha_{j} \mathcal{T}_{k_{U,j}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,j})) \\ - \frac{l+q}{u-q} \sum_{j=1}^{u} \mathcal{T}_{k_{U,j}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,j})) \right\|_{F}^{2} \end{aligned}$$

This is equivalent to:

$$\min_{\alpha} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{u} \alpha_j \mathcal{T}_{k_{U,j}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,j})) + \frac{u-q}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{l} \mathcal{T}_{k_{L,i}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{L,i})) - \frac{l+q}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{u} \mathcal{T}_{k_{U,j}}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,j})) \right\|_{F}^{2}$$

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Finally we rewrite the above equation and obtain the learning objective:

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\alpha}} \quad \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\alpha}^{T} \boldsymbol{K}_{UU} \boldsymbol{\alpha} + \frac{u - q}{n} \mathbf{1}^{l} \boldsymbol{K}_{LU} \boldsymbol{\alpha} - \frac{l + q}{n} \mathbf{1}^{u} \boldsymbol{K}_{UU} \boldsymbol{\alpha} 
s.t. \quad \boldsymbol{\alpha} \in \{0, 1\}^{u}, ||\boldsymbol{\alpha}||_{1} = q$$
(4)

where the element in the  $i_{th}$  row and  $j_{th}$  column of  $K_{UU}$  and  $K_{LU}$  is denoted as  $K_{UU,ij}$  and  $K_{LU,ij}$  respectively:

$$K_{UU,ij} = \inf_{k} \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,i})^{T} \mathcal{T}_{k}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,j}))$$
$$K_{LU,ij} = \inf_{k} \mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{L,i})^{T} \mathcal{T}_{k}(\mathcal{H}(\boldsymbol{x}_{U,j}))$$

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