

# Supplementary Material for DS-AL: A Dual-Stream Analytic Learning for Exemplar-Free Class-Incremental Learning

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## A: Proof of Theorem 1

*Proof.* According to (9), at phase  $k - 1$ , we have

$$\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)} = \left( \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k-1}^T \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k-1} + \gamma \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k-1}^T \mathbf{Y}_{0:k-1}. \quad (\text{A.1})$$

Hence, at phase  $k$  we have

$$\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k)} = \left( \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k}^T \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k} + \gamma \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k}^T \mathbf{Y}_{0:k}. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

We have defined the iACM  $\mathbf{R}_{M,k-1}$  in the paper via

$$\mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} = \left( \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k-1}^T \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k-1} + \gamma \mathbf{I} \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{A.3})$$

To facilitate subsequent calculations, here we also define a cross-correlation matrix  $\mathbf{Q}_{M,k-1}$ , i.e.,

$$\mathbf{Q}_{M,k-1} = \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k-1}^T \mathbf{Y}_{0:k-1}. \quad (\text{A.4})$$

Thus we can rewrite (A.2) as

$$\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)} = \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{Q}_{M,k-1}. \quad (\text{A.5})$$

Therefore, at phase  $k$  we have

$$\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k)} = \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{Q}_{M,k}. \quad (\text{A.6})$$

From (A.3), we can recursively calculate  $\mathbf{R}_{M,k}$  from  $\mathbf{R}_{M,k-1}$ , i.e.,

$$\mathbf{R}_{M,k} = \left( \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1}^{-1} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \right)^{-1}. \quad (\text{A.7})$$

According to the Woodbury matrix identity, we have

$$(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{UCV})^{-1} = \mathbf{A}^{-1} - \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{U} (\mathbf{C}^{-1} + \mathbf{V} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{U})^{-1} \mathbf{V} \mathbf{A}^{-1}.$$

Let  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1}^{-1}$ ,  $\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T$ ,  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{I}$ ,  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{X}_{M,k}$  in (A.7), we have

$$\mathbf{R}_{M,k} = \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} - \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1}. \quad (\text{A.8})$$

Hence,  $\mathbf{R}_{M,k}$  can be recursively updated using its last-phase counterpart  $\mathbf{R}_{M,k-1}$  and data from the current phase (i.e.,  $\mathbf{X}_{M,k}$ ). This proves the recursive calculation of the iACM in (12).

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Next, we derive the recursive formulation of  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k)}$ . To this end, we also recurse the cross-correlation matrix  $\mathbf{Q}_{M,k}$  at phase  $k$ , i.e.,

$$\mathbf{Q}_{M,k} = \mathbf{X}_{M,0:k}^T \mathbf{Y}_{0:k} = \mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{Y}_{M,k} \quad (\text{A.9})$$

where

$$\mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1} = [\mathbf{Q}_{M,k-1} \quad \mathbf{0}_{d_{\text{re}} \times d_{y_k}}]. \quad (\text{A.10})$$

Note that the concatenation in (A.10) is due to fact that  $\mathbf{Y}_{0:k}$  at phase  $k$  contains more data classes (hence more columns) than  $\mathbf{Y}_{0:k-1}$ .

Let  $\mathbf{K}_k = (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T)^{-1}$ . Since

$$\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{K}_k^{-1} = \mathbf{K}_k (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T),$$

we have  $\mathbf{K}_k = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T)^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{K}_k \\ &= \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T) \\ &= (\mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} - \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{K}_k \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1}) \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \\ &= \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.11})$$

As  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'} = [\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)} \quad \mathbf{0}]$  has expended its dimension similar to what  $\mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1}$  does, we have

$$\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'} = \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1}. \quad (\text{A.12})$$

Hence,  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k)}$  can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k)} &= \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{Q}_{M,k} \\ &= \mathbf{R}_{M,k} (\mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{Y}_{M,k}) \\ &= \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1} + \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{Y}_{M,k}. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.13})$$

By substituting (A.8) into  $\mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1} &= \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1} \\ &\quad - \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'} - \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T (\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \mathbf{R}_{M,k-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.14})$$

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**Algorithm 1: DS-AL training**

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**Input:** The training data  $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{train}}, \mathcal{D}_1^{\text{train}}, \dots, \mathcal{D}_K^{\text{train}}$

**Output:** Weight matrix at last phase of *main stream*  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(K)}$  and *compensation stream*  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_C^{(K)}$

**begin**

// BP-based Training

Do conventional training with BP on base dataset  $\mathcal{D}_0^{\text{train}}$  to obtain the weight of the backbone  $\mathbf{W}_{\text{CNN}}$ .  
Freeze the backbone.

**for** phase  $k \leftarrow 0$  to  $K$  **do**

**if**  $k = 0$  **then**

    // AL-based Re-training

    // - The main stream

    Obtain the *main stream activation*  $\mathbf{X}_{M,0}$  with (3).

    Calculate *inverted auto-correlation matrix* (iACM)  $\mathbf{R}_{M,0}$  of the main stream with (10).

    Obtain the main stream weight matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^0$  with (5).

    // - The compensation stream

$\mathbf{X}_{C,0}$  with (14).

    Use the obtained main stream weight  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^0$  and the label  $\mathbf{Y}_0^{\text{train}}$  to calculate the residue  $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_0$  with (13).

    Obtain iACM of the compensation stream  $\mathbf{R}_{C,0} \leftarrow (\mathbf{X}_{C,0}^T \mathbf{X}_{C,0} + \gamma \mathbf{I})^{-1}$ .

    Obtain compensation stream weight matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_C^0 \leftarrow (\mathbf{X}_{C,0}^T \mathbf{X}_{C,0} + \gamma \mathbf{I})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{C,0}^T \tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_0$ .

**else**

    // AL-based CIL procedures

    // - The main stream

    Obtain *main stream activation*  $\mathbf{X}_{M,k}$  with (7).

    Update iACM of the main stream  $\mathbf{R}_{M,k}$  with (12).

    Update main stream weight matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k)}$  with (11).

    // - The compensation stream

    Obtain the *compensation stream activation*  $\mathbf{X}_{C,k}$  with (14).

    Use the updated main stream weight  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k)}$  and the label  $\mathbf{Y}_k^{\text{train}}$  to calculate the residue  $\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_k$  with (13).

    Use the PLC process to obtain cleansed residue label  $\{\tilde{\mathbf{Y}}_k\}_{\text{PLC}}$  with (15).

    Update iACM of the compensation stream  $\mathbf{R}_{C,k}$  with (18).

    Update weight matrix  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_C^{(k)}$  with (17).

**end**

**end**

**end**

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According to (A.11), (A.14) can be rewritten as

$$\mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{Q}'_{M,k-1} = \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'} - \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'}. \quad (\text{A.15})$$

By inserting (A.15) into (A.13), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k)} &= \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'} - \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'} + \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T \mathbf{Y}_{M,k} \\ &= \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'} + \mathbf{R}_{M,k} \mathbf{X}_{M,k}^T (\mathbf{Y}_k - \mathbf{X}_{M,k} \hat{\mathbf{W}}_M^{(k-1)'}) \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.  $\square$

## B: Pseudo-code of DS-AL

The algorithm of DS-AL contains two parts, i.e., training and inferencing. The pseudo-codes of training part are shown in Algorithm 1. The training part of DS-AL contains mainly three parts, including BP-based training, AL-based re-training and AL-based CIL procedures. The details of inference are shown in Algorithm 2.

## C: Training Details

For conventional BP training in the BT agenda, we train the network using SGD for 160 (90) epochs for ResNet-32 on CIFAR-100 (ResNet-18 on ImageNet-100 and ImageNet-Full). The learning rate starts at 0.1 and it is divided by 10 at epoch 80 (30) and 120 (60). We adopt a momentum of 0.9 and weight decay of  $5 \times 10^{-4}$  ( $1 \times 10^{-4}$ ) with a batch size of 128. For ResNet-18 used on CIFAR-100, we follow the setting in (Petit et al. 2023). The input data are augmented with random cropping, random horizontal flip and normalizing. For fair comparison, this base training setting is identical to that of many CIL methods (e.g., (Hou et al. 2019; Liu et al. 2020)). For the re-training and incremental learning steps, no data augmentation is adopted, and the training ends within only one epoch. The results for the DS-AL are measured by the average of 3 runs on an RTX 3090 GPU workstation. Note that in DS-AL, the CNN is only trained during the BP base training phase. After that, the param-

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**Algorithm 2:** DS-AL inference at phase  $k$ 

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**Input:** Backbone  $\mathbf{W}_{\text{CNN}}$ , test data  $\mathcal{D}_k^{\text{test}}$ , *main stream* weight  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_{\text{M}}^{(k)}$  and *compensation stream* weight  $\hat{\mathbf{W}}_{\text{C}}^{(k)}$   
**Output:** Compensated test inference  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_k^{(\text{all})}$   
**begin**  
    Obtain the *main stream* activation  $\mathbf{X}_{\text{M},k} \leftarrow \sigma_{\text{M}}(B(f_{\text{flat}}(f_{\text{CNN}}(\mathbf{X}_k^{\text{test}}, \mathbf{W}_{\text{CNN}}))))$   
    Obtain the *compensation stream* activation  $\mathbf{X}_{\text{C},k} \leftarrow \sigma_{\text{C}}(B(f_{\text{flat}}(f_{\text{CNN}}(\mathbf{X}_k^{\text{test}}, \mathbf{W}_{\text{CNN}}))))$ .  
    Calculate the prediction combining both streams  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}_k^{(\text{all})}$  with (19).  
**end**

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ters of the CNN backbone are fixed during the incremental phases (i.e, phase #1 to #K).

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