

# Skada and Skada-Bench: Benchmarking Unsupervised Domain Adaptation Methods with Realistic Validation

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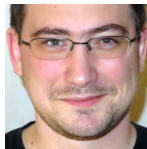
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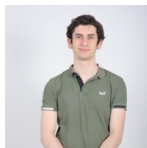
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# 1. Introduction to **Domain Adaptation** (DA)

# Supervised learning

**Independent** and **identically** distributed data:

$$\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n \sim \mathbb{P}(X, Y)$$

$\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $y_i \in \mathcal{Y}$ , e.g.  $\{-1, 1\}$  for binary classification.

**Goal** : find a predictor  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathcal{Y}$  by empirical risk minimization

$$\min_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \left\{ R(f) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \ell(y_i, f(\mathbf{x}_i)) \right\}$$

with  $\ell$  a loss function.

- Hyper-parameters tuning with a grid search cross-validation.
- Generalization performance estimation with a cross-validation.
- Easy to implement with Scikit-Learn.

# Domain Adaptation Problem

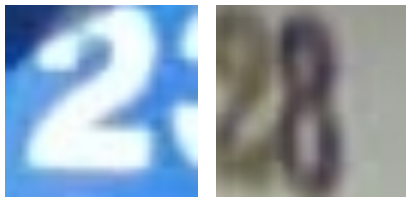
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Source domain ( $\mathcal{S}$ ): MNIST



Target domain ( $\mathcal{T}$ ): SVHN



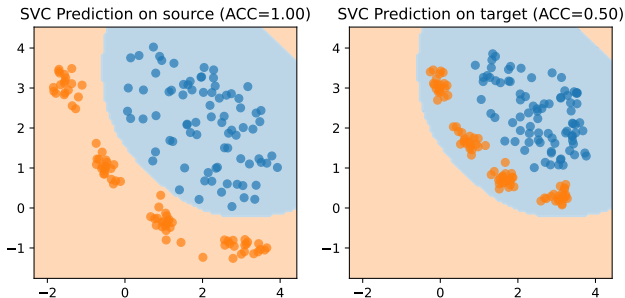
Domain adaptation: MNIST  $\rightarrow$  SVHN

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Training on the source domain (classical empirical risk minimization):



Simple shifts can lead to very bad classifications on the target domain.

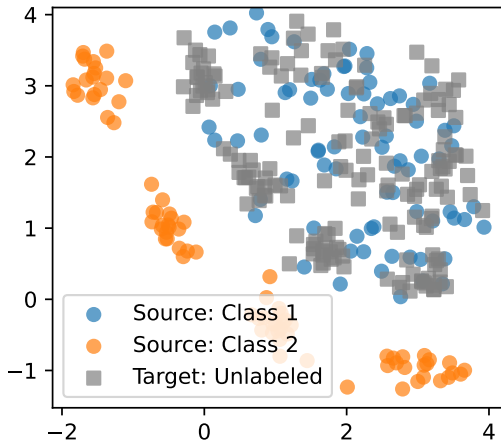
# Unsupervised Domain Adaptation problem

- Source domain is **labeled** :  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{n_S} \sim \mathbb{P}_S(X, Y)$
- Target domain is **unlabeled** :  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, \cdot)\}_{i=1}^{n_T} \sim \mathbb{P}_T(X, Y)$
- Assumptions on the shift between  $\mathbb{P}_S(X, Y)$  and  $\mathbb{P}_T(X, Y)$ :



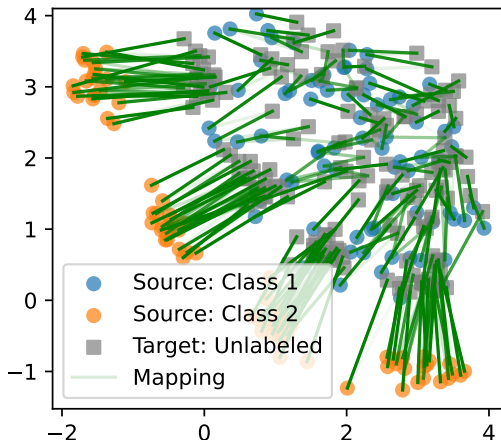


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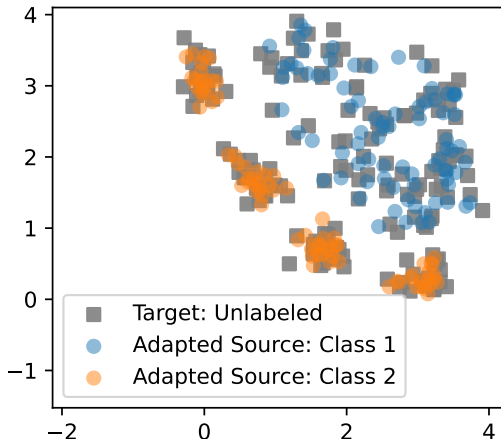
Problem setting

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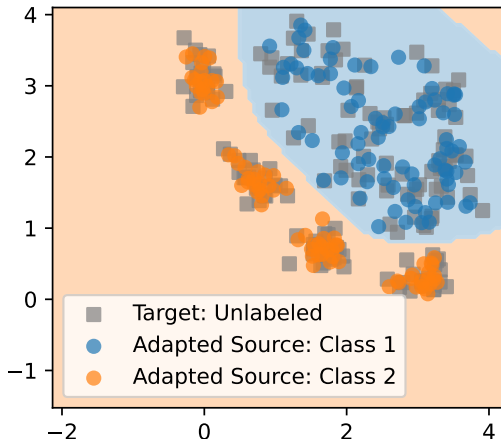
Step 1: Minimize a discrepancy between source and target domains

# Toy example of Unsupervised DA



Step 2: Adapt source distribution to target distribution

# Toy example of Unsupervised DA



Step 3: Train on adapted source and predict on target (ACC=1.00)

# DA methods

## Mapping

- Learn a mapping function  $m$  to align source and target domains.
- The domain-adapted predictor becomes:

$$f_{\text{DA}} = f \circ m$$

## Reweighting

$$f_{\text{DA}} \in \arg \min_{f \in \mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{n_S} \sum_{i=1}^{n_S} w_i \ell(f(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i)$$

where  $w_i$  are importance weights depending on source and target domains.

## End-to-End Deep Learning

- Jointly learn feature representations and a classifier using deep networks.
- Train with adversarial or discrepancy-based objectives to align source and target distributions.

# DA scorers

**Huge variety of DA methods** : mapping, subspace, reweighting, ...  
with many different hyper-parameters to tune.

↪ **DA scorers** to validate hyper-parameters without using target label.

The diagram shows the function signature  $\text{DA\_scorer}(f_{\text{DA}}, \{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{n_S}, \{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^{n_T}) \in \mathbb{R}$ . Annotations include: a blue line labeled "Predictive model" pointing to  $f_{\text{DA}}$ ; a blue box labeled "Source data" under  $\{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{n_S}$  with an upward arrow; and a blue box labeled "Target data" under  $\{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^{n_T}$  with an upward arrow.

$$\text{DA\_scorer}(f_{\text{DA}}, \{(\mathbf{x}_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^{n_S}, \{\mathbf{x}_i\}_{i=1}^{n_T}) \in \mathbb{R}$$

Rely on **proxys** of the target accuracy.

# Many extensions

- Multi-source DA
- DA for regression problems
- Deep DA: deep learning models for DA
- Semi-supervised DA: few labeled target data
- Test-time DA: adapt to a new target domain with forgotten source data
- Heterogeneous DA: different feature spaces
- ...

## 2. **Skada** : a Scikit-Learn compatible library for shallow and deep DA



# Scikit-Adaptation: **Skada**

Implementation of Python library for domain adaptation, including:

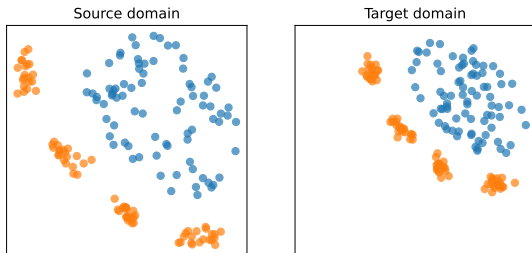
- Homogeneous API for all DA methods: **Shallow and Deep learning** .
- **Sklearn-like API** with estimator class (`.fit`, `.predict`, ...), pipeline, grid search ...
- **DA scorer** to validate hyper-parameters without using target label.



# Example of conditional shift

```
from skada.datasets import make_shifted_datasets

dataset = make_shifted_datasets(
    n_samples_source=20,
    n_samples_target=20,
    shift="concept_drift",
    return_dataset=True
)
```



# Training OT Mapping model

```
from skada import OTMapping

X, y, sample_domain = dataset.pack_train(as_sources=["s"], as_targets=["t"])
model = OTMapping()
model.fit(X, y, sample_domain=sample_domain)

X_target, y_target, sample_domain = dataset.pack_test(as_targets=["t"])
model.score(X_target, y_target)
```

```
y = [ 0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1
      -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1 -1]
sample_domain = [ 1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1 -2 -2 -2 -2 -2 -2 -2 -2
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```

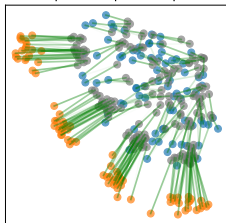
# What are Skada model: Sklearn pipeline

```
from sklearn.svm import SVC

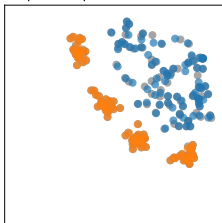
from skada import make_da_pipeline
from skada import OTMappingAdapter

model = make_da_pipeline(
    OTMappingAdapter(),
    SVC(),
)
```

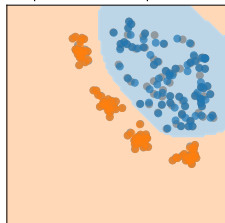
Step 1: compute OT plan



Step 2: adapt source distribution



Step 3: train on adapted source

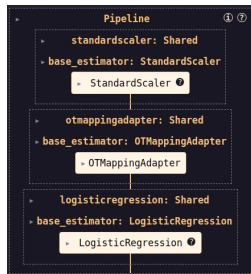


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from sklearn.linear_model import LogisticRegression
from sklearn.preprocessing import StandardScaler

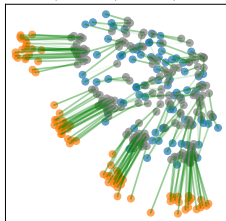
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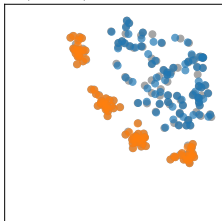


# Mapping methods

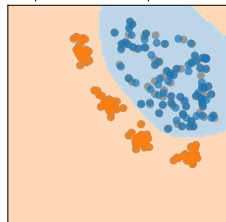
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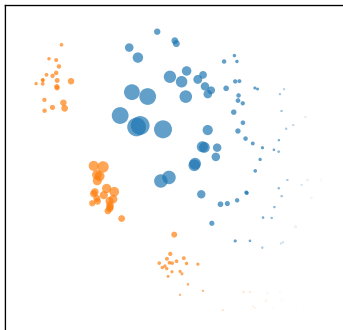
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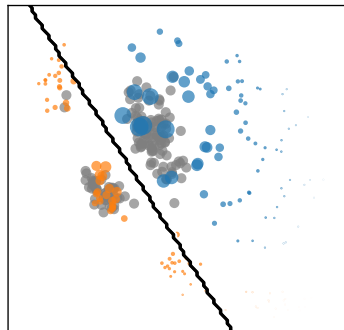
6 available mapping methods in **Skada** : CORAL, OTMapping, EntropicOTMapping, ClassRegularizerOTMapping, LinearOTMapping, MMDLSConSMMapping

# Reweighting methods

Step 1: reweight the data



Step 2: train on adapted source



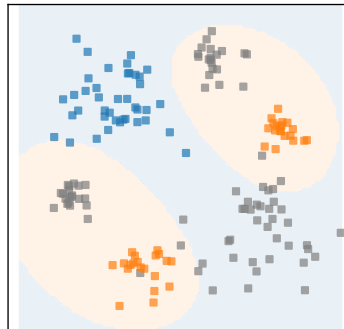
**6** available reweighting methods in **Skada** : GaussianReweight, KLIEPReweight, KMMReweight, DiscriminatorReweight, NearestNeighborReweight, MMDTarSReweight

# Subspace methods

Step 1: projection on subspace



Step 2: train on adapted source



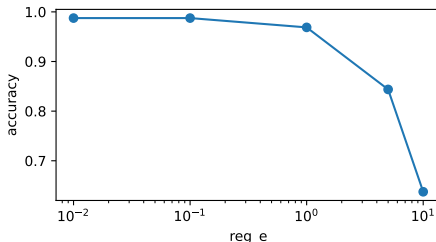
4 available subspace methods in **Skada** : `SubspaceAlignment`,  
`TransferComponentAnalysis`, `TransferJointMatching`,  
`TransferSubspaceLearning`



# How to validate parameters in DA?

```
from skada import EntropicOTMapping

model = EntropicOTMapping(reg_e=1e-1, base_estimator=SVC(probability=True))
```



How to validate the parameter  $reg\_e$  ?

- Gridsearch on **source** → **Bad parameter**
- Gridsearch on **target** → **Cheating!** (no label available)
  - ↪ Use specific **DA scorers** !

# Validation with DA scorers

```
from sklearn.model_selection import GridSearchCV, ShuffleSplit

from skada import EntropicOTMapping
from skada.metrics import PredictionEntropyScorer

model = EntropicOTMapping(base_estimator=SVC(probability=True))

cv = ShuffleSplit(n_splits=5, test_size=0.3, random_state=42)
reg_e = [0.01, 0.03, 0.05, 0.08, 0.1]

grid_search = GridSearchCV(
    model,
    {"entropicotmappingadapter__reg_e": reg_e},
    cv=cv,
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)
grid_search.fit(X, y, sample_domain=sample_domain)
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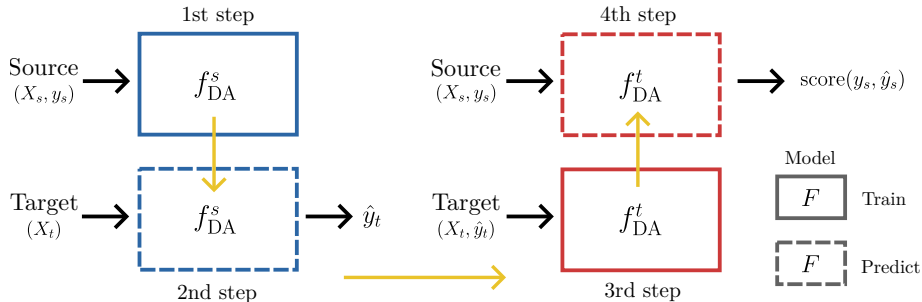
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↪ 6 DA scorer available in Skada

# Circular validation [BM10]

- Train a model on **source** domain and predict on **target** domain.
- Train a model on **target** domain with **predicted label** .
- Predict on **source** domain and compute **accuracy** .



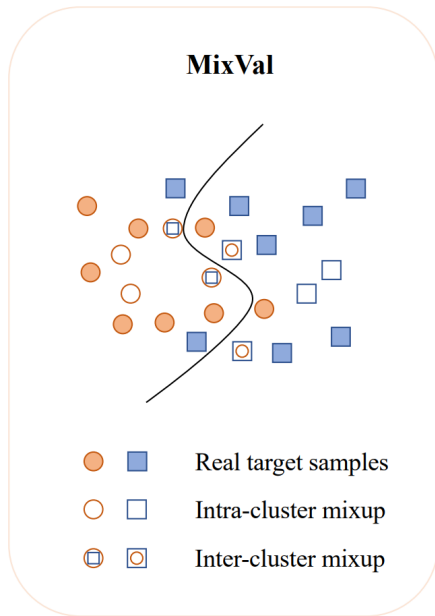
# Mixval scorer [HLL<sup>+</sup>23]

- Create **mixed sample** from source

$$\tilde{X} = \lambda X_i^s + (1 - \lambda) X_j^s$$

$$\tilde{y} = \begin{cases} y_i^s & \text{if } \lambda \geq 0.5 \\ y_j^s & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Distinguish between samples mixed from **same classes** and **different classes**.
- Validate on mixed samples.



# Other DA scorers

- Validate on **source** domain with **weighted samples** :  
ImportanceWeightedScorer, DeepEmbeddedValidation.
- Compute the **entropy** of the **target** predictions:  
PredictionEntropyScorer, SoftNeighborhoodDensity.

# Deep DA methods

Deep DA methods → Reduce **divergence** between source and target domains in the **embedding space**.

$$\ell = \sum_{i=1}^{n_S} \ell_{\text{CE}}(f(g(\mathbf{x}_i^s)), y_i^s) + \text{reg} \sum_{i=1}^{n_S} \sum_{j=1}^{n_T} \ell_{\text{DA}}(g(\mathbf{x}_i^s), g(\mathbf{x}_j^t), y_i^s)$$

Diagram annotations:

- Cross-entropy loss** (blue arrow) points to  $\ell_{\text{CE}}$ .
- Regularization term** (red arrow) points to  $\text{reg}$ .
- DA loss** (blue arrow) points to  $\ell_{\text{DA}}$ .

- $f$  is the classifier,  $g$  is the feature extractor.
- $\ell_{\text{DA}}$  can compute **OT distance**, **MMD distance**, **adversarial loss**, ...

# Deep DA methods

- Wrapper of **Skorch**
- Param **layer\_name** to know which **feature space** to consider
- Parameter **reg** is the **threshold** between classical and DA loss
- All the rest work the same as before: learning rate, batch size ...

```
from skada.deep import DeepCoral
from skada.deep.modules import ToyCNN

model = DeepCoral(
    ToyCNN(),
    layer_name="feature_extractor",
    batch_size=128,
    max_epochs=5,
    reg=1,
    lr=1e-2,
)

model.fit(X, y, sample_domain=sample_domain)
model.score(X_target, y_target)
```

**5** available deep DA methods in **Skada** : DeepCORAL, DANN, CDAN, DAN, DeepJDOT.



### 3. **Skada-Bench** : Benchmarking Unsupervised DA Methods with Realistic Validation

# Question in DA field

3 main questions emerge after implementing **Skada** :

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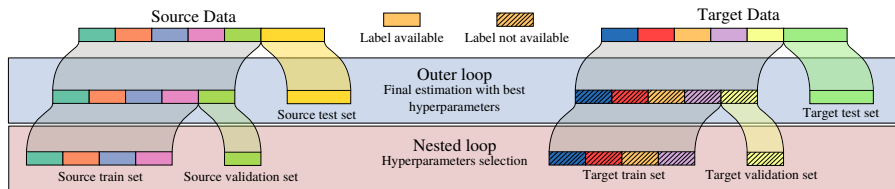
↪ **Benchmark !**

# Validation in the litterature

	Method	Validation Procedure	Comment
Reweighting	Density Reweight [SM05]	None	Bandwidth fixed by Silverman method
	Discriminative Reweight [Shi00]	NA	No hyperparameters
	Gaussian Reweight [Shi00]	None	Not specified in [Shi00]
	KLIEP [SNK <sup>+</sup> 07]	Integrated CV	Likelihood CV [SNK <sup>+</sup> 07] on target
	KMM [HGB <sup>+</sup> 06]	None	Fixed data-dependent hyperparameters
	NN Reweight [Loo12]	None	Number of neighbors fixed to one
	MMDTarS [ZSMW13]	CV	Not specified if done on source or target
Mapping	Coral [SFS17]	NA	No hyperparameters
	OT mapping [CFTR17]	CV target/CircCV	Unclear in the text
	Lin. OT mapping [FLF20]	NA	No hyperparameters
	MMD-LS [ZSMW13]	CV	Not specified if done on source or target
Subsp.	SA [FHST13]	2-fold CV on source	-
	TCA [PTKY11]	Validation on target	Target subset used to tune parameters
	TSL [STG10]	None	Not specified in [STG10]
Other	JDOT [CFHR17]	Reverse CV [ZFY <sup>+</sup> 10]	-
	OT label prop [SRGB14]	NA	No hyperparameters
	DASVM [BM10]	Circular Validation [BM10]	-

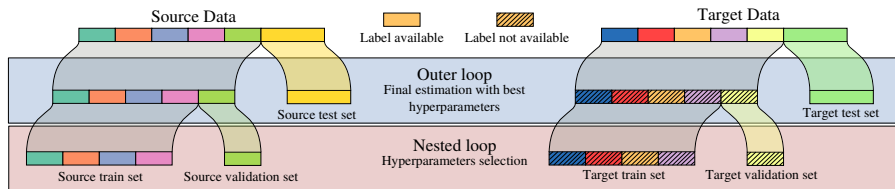
↪ **few realistic validation** procedure in the **litterature** .

# Performance evaluation and Hyper-parameters selection



Nested cross-validation on source and target domains

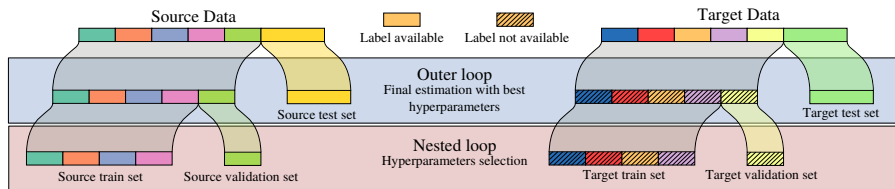
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- **Outer loop** : estimate generalization performance with unlabeled train target set but labeled test target set.
- **Nested loop** : select hyper-parameters with the unlabeled train target domain and a DA scorer.

# Dataset description

Dataset	Modality	Preprocessing	# adapt	# classes	# samples	# features
Office 31 [KTP17]	CV	Decaff [DJV <sup>+</sup> 14] + PCA	6	31	470 $\pm$ 350	100
Office Home [VECP17]	CV	ResNet [HZRS16] + PCA	12	65	3897 $\pm$ 850	100
MNIST/USPS [LC15]	CV	Vect + PCA	2	10	3000 / 10000	50
20 Newsgroup [Lan95]	NLP	LLM [RG19, XLZM23] + PCA	6	2	3728 $\pm$ 174	50
Amazon Review [ML13, MTSvdH15]	NLP	LLM [RG19, XLZM23] + PCA	12	4	2000	50
Mushrooms [DYXY07]	Tabular	One Hot Encoding	2	2	4062 $\pm$ 546	117
Phishing [MTM12]	Tabular	NA	2	2	5527 $\pm$ 1734	30
BCI [TMA <sup>+</sup> 12]	Biosignals	Cov+TS [BBCJ12]	9	4	288	253

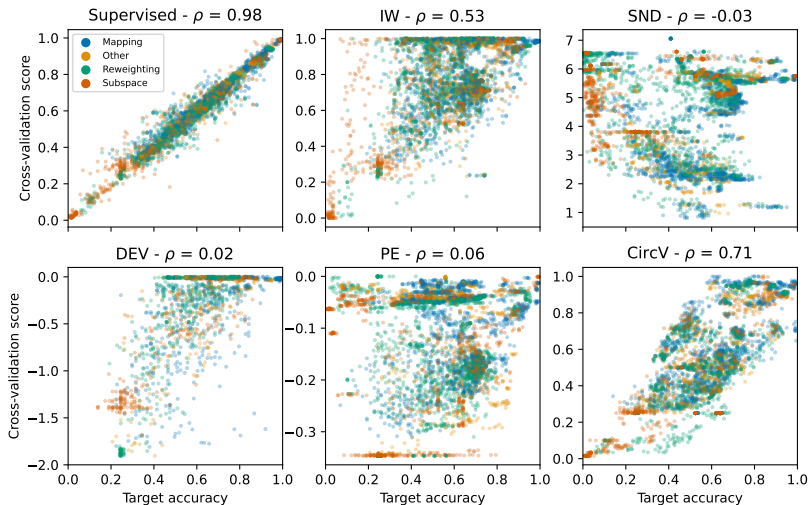
↪ **8** datasets from different modalities: Computer Vision, NLP, Tabular, Biosignals.



# Table results

		Cov. shift	Tar. shift	Cond. shift	Sub. shift	Office31	OfficeHome	MNIST / USPS	20NewsGroups	AmazonReview	Mushrooms	Phishing	BCI	Selected	Scorer	Rank
	Train Src	0.88	0.85	0.66	0.19	0.59	0.56	0.54	0.59	0.7	0.72	0.91	0.55			9.75
	Train Tgt	0.92	0.93	0.82	0.98	0.88	0.8	0.96	1.0	0.73	1.0	0.97	0.64			1.06
Reweighting	Dens. RW [SM05]	0.88	0.86	0.66	0.18	0.57	0.55	0.54	0.58	0.7	0.71	0.91	0.55	IW		10.76
	Disc. RW [Shi00]	0.85	0.83	0.71	0.18	0.58	0.53	0.5	0.6	0.68	0.75	0.91	0.56	CircV		11.12
	Gauss. RW [Shi00]	0.89	0.86	0.65	0.21	0.2	0.44	0.11	0.54	0.6	0.51	0.46	0.25	CircV		19.42
	KLIEP [SNK <sup>+</sup> 07]	0.88	0.86	0.66	0.19	0.59	0.56	0.54	0.6	0.69	0.72	0.91	0.55	CircV		10.36
	KMM [HGB <sup>+</sup> 06]	0.89	0.87	0.64	0.15	0.58	0.55	0.52	0.7	0.57	0.74	0.91	0.52	CircV		12.11
	NN RW [Loo12]	0.89	0.86	0.67	0.15	0.58	0.55	0.54	0.59	0.66	0.71	0.91	0.54	CircV		11.91
	MMDTarS [ZSMW13]	0.88	0.86	0.64	0.2	0.56	0.55	0.54	0.59	0.7	0.74	0.91	0.55	IW		9.51
Mapping	CORAL [SFS17]	0.66	0.84	0.66	0.19	0.59	0.57	0.62	0.73	0.69	0.72	0.92	0.62	CircV		7.10
	MapOT [CFTR17]	0.72	0.57	0.82	0.02	0.55	0.51	0.61	0.76	0.67	0.63	0.84	0.47	PE		10.98
	EntOT [CFTR17]	0.71	0.6	0.82	0.12	0.58	0.58	0.6	0.83	0.62	0.75	0.86	0.54	CircV		9.75
	ClassRegOT [CFTR17]	0.74	0.58	0.81	0.11	0.61	0.53	0.62	0.96	0.68	0.82	0.88	0.52	IW		8.71
	LinOT [FLF20]	0.73	0.73	0.76	0.18	0.59	0.57	0.64	0.82	0.7	0.76	0.91	0.61	CircV		5.33
	MMD-LS [ZSMW13]	0.65	0.68	0.81	0.52	0.55	0.54	0.52	0.97	0.68	0.86	0.88	0.56	IW		9.66
Subspace	JPCA	0.88	0.85	0.66	0.15	0.55	0.47	0.51	0.77	0.69	0.78	0.9	0.54	PE		8.77
	SA [FHST13]	0.74	0.68	0.8	0.11	0.59	0.57	0.56	0.88	0.66	0.88	0.89	0.53	CircV		8.53
	TCA [PTKY11]	0.46	0.48	0.55	0.56	0.04	NA	0.11	0.57	0.6	0.45	NA	0.27	CircV		19.57
	TSL [STG10]	0.88	0.85	0.66	0.19	0.59	0.2	0.25	0.68	0.7	0.56	0.86	0.25	IW		14.65
Other	JDOT [CFHR17]	0.72	0.57	0.82	0.14	0.6	0.51	0.63	0.77	0.67	0.63	0.8	0.46	DEV		10.12
	OTLabelProp [SRGB14]	0.72	0.59	0.81	0.05	0.61	0.56	0.62	0.86	0.67	0.64	0.86	0.5	CircV		10.49
	DASVM [BM10]	0.89	0.86	0.65	0.14	NA	NA	NA	0.68	NA	0.78	0.88	NA	CircV		11.00

# Results



# Conclusion

## Skada

- First release few month ago
- Still a lot of work: examples, documentation of `skada.deep` ...

## Skada-bench

- Benchmark only on **shallow** DA methods
- Currently adding **deep** DA methods

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