Unsupervised Domain Adaptation

Final Project Presentation

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Introduction

Two directions:

1. Works on DANN
    - Tried to **combine and merge** different methods
2. Gradual self training
    - In **depth ablation analysis** of a single method

Experiment Setting

Ideas:

- Start with **DANN**
- **Improve** it with newer methods
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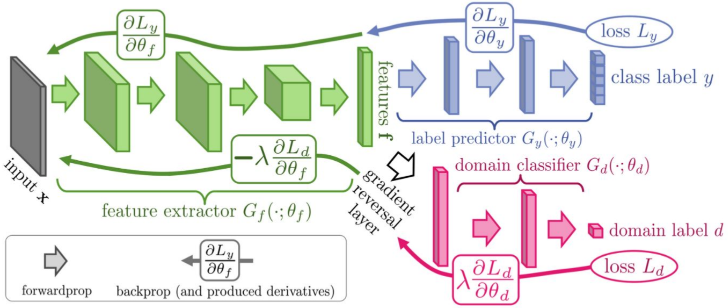


Dataset: Office31

- **Pros:** more complex than digits, lighter than OfficeHome
- **Cons:** unbalanced in the 2 domains

Office31

WEBCAM (795 images)

AMAZON (2817 images)

DANN + Discrepancy loss

- Starting from DANN
  - Add a loss at the output of the feature extractor
  - Align the features before classification and discrimination
    - Maximum Mean Discrepancy Loss

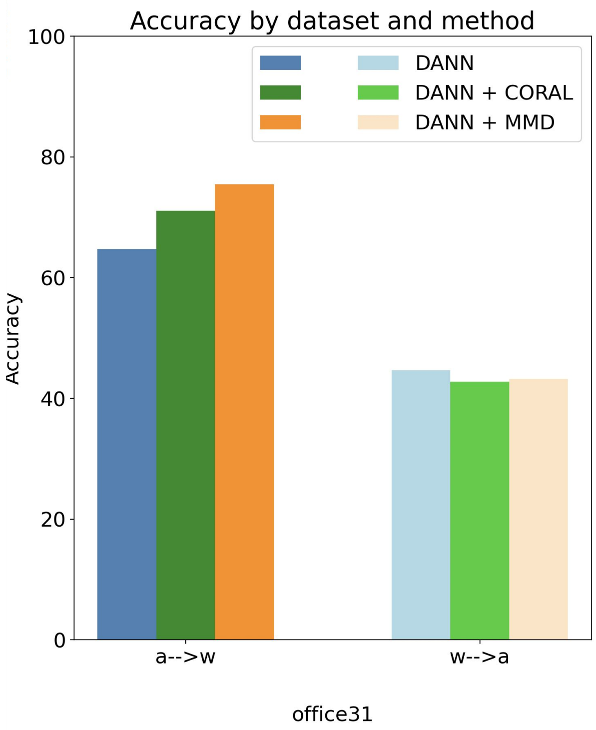
$$MMD^2(P,Q) = ||\mu_P - \mu_Q||^2_{\mathcal{F}}$$
$$= \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{X}\sim P}\left[k(x,x')\right] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{Y}\sim Q}\left[k(y,y')\right] - 2\mathbb{E}_{\mathcal{X},\mathcal{Y}\sim P,Q}\left[k(x,y)\right]$$

    - Coral Loss

$$\ell_{CORAL} = \frac{1}{4d^2}||C_S - C_T||^2_F$$

Obtained Results

- **MMD loss best on Amazon -> Webcam domain, gain over 10%**
- Coral loss improves of 6%
- Both losses don't provide improvements on Webcam -> Amazon direction, **unbalanced dataset**



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DANN	86.35	64.78	-	93.71	44.68	-
DANN + MMD	83.16	75.47	**+10.69**	95.60	42.02	-2.66
DANN + Coral	87.06	71.07	+6.29	94.34	43.25	-1.43

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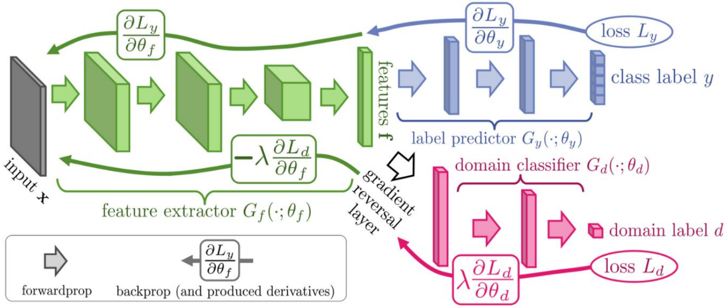

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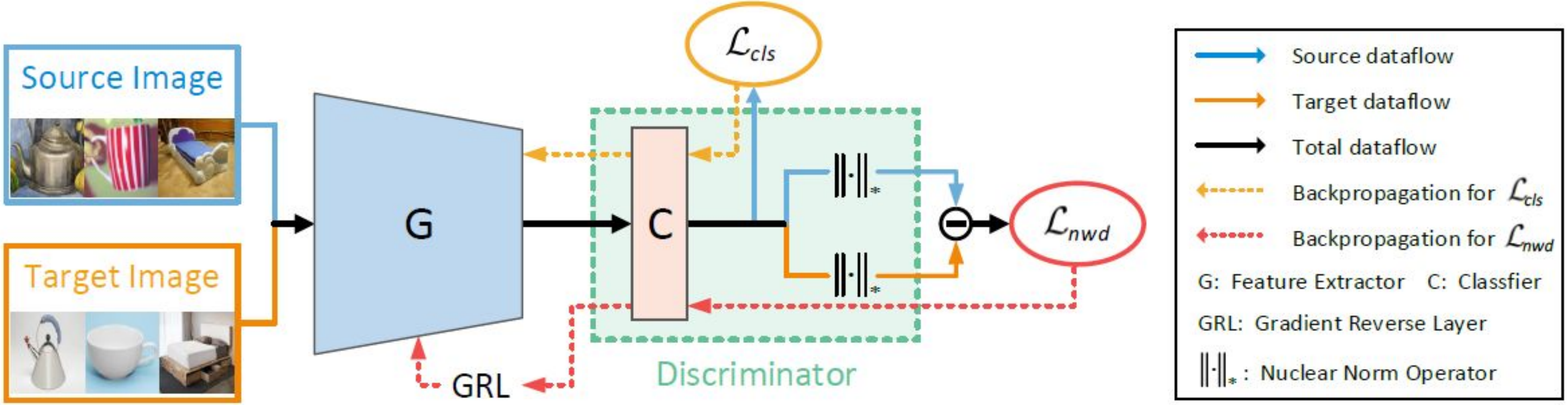
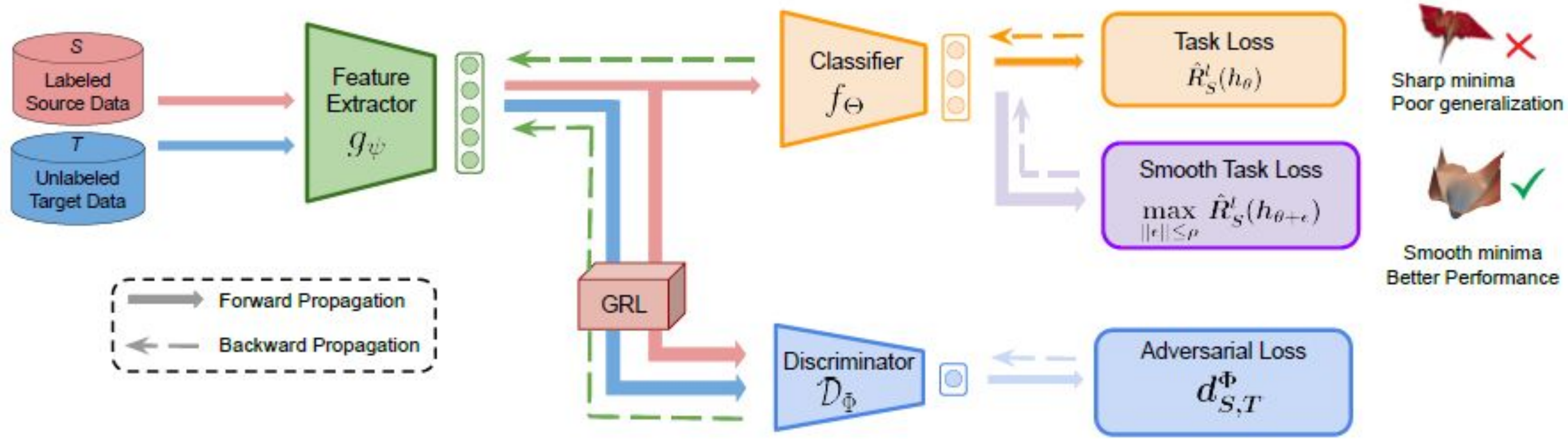
Methods Recap - DALN

- **Remove the discriminator**
- Use classifier + NWD module to discriminate the domain



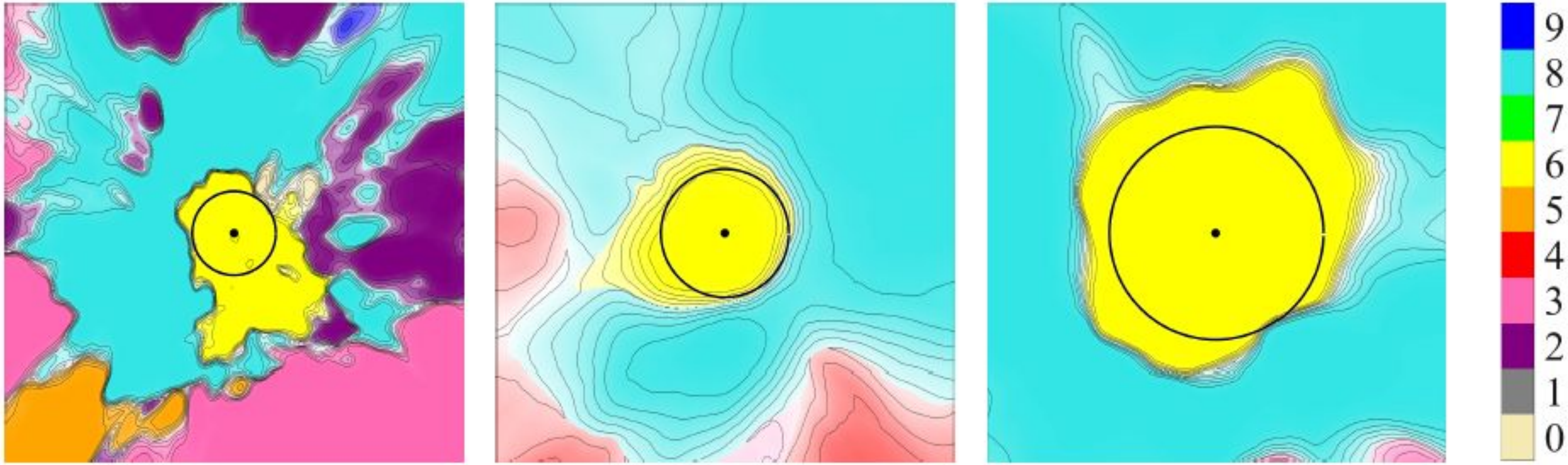
Methods Recap - SDAT

- Find **smoother minima** for classification loss
- **New optimizer** with additional gradient computation steps



Methods Recap - JREG

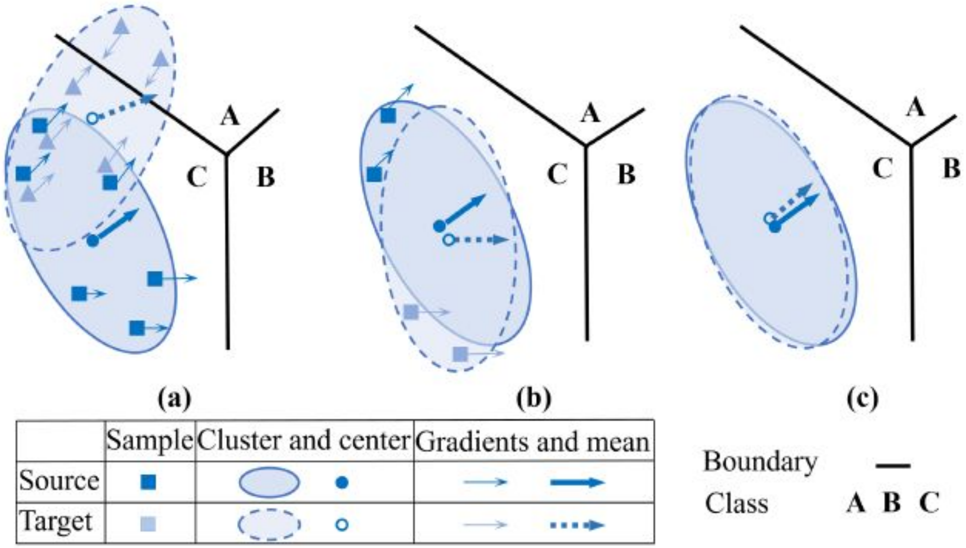
- Regularization method
- Push decision boundaries further away
- Used inside FGDA



(a) Without regularization (b) With L^2 regularization (c) With Jacobian regularization

Methods Recap - FGDA

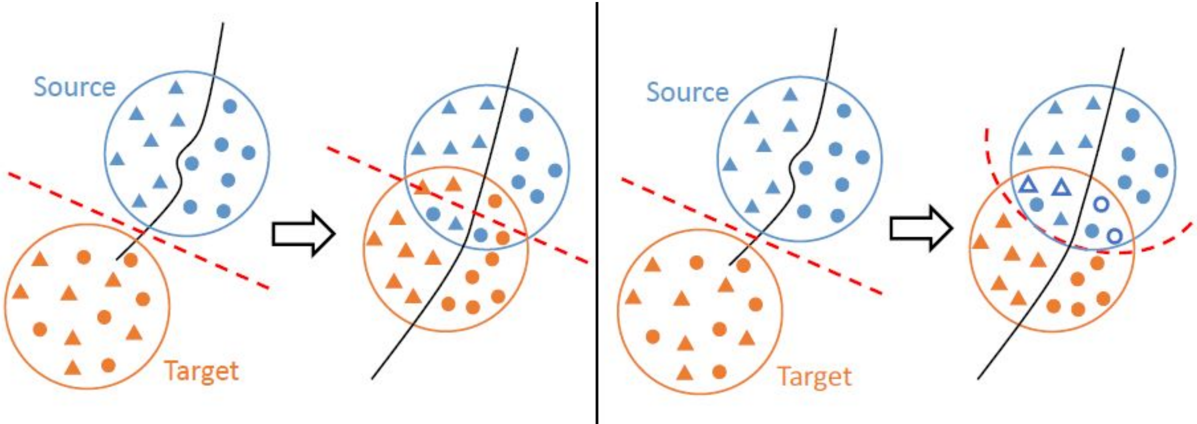
- **Constrain** feature **gradients** of two domains to have **similar distributions**
- Pseudo labels computed to obtain target loss
- Jacobian Regularization used inside



Methods Recap - RADA

- **Relabel** well aligned target **samples** as source domain
- Well aligned samples -> domain discriminator entropy higher than a threshold
- **Mixup** at feature level used with relabel samples to softly mix features
- Domain relabeling doesn't influence classification

- **No official implementation available**



(a) Previous Methods (b) Our Method

Combining methods - How

FGDA + DALN: no conflicts and lighter model

- FGDA use an additional grad_discriminator to align gradient distributions
- Adversarial discriminator can be substituted by DALN

RADA + FGDA: no conflicts

- RADA change domain labels but doesn’t influence classification task
- Just add FGDA

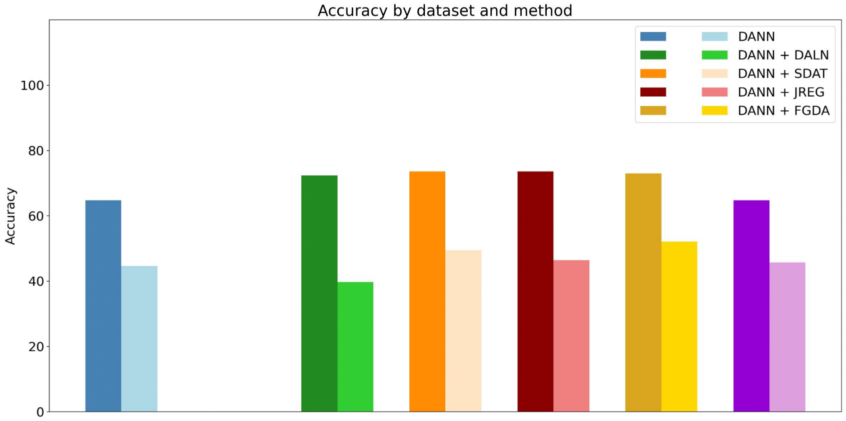
Any + SDAT: SDAT is a different optimizer so can be applied to any method

RADA + DALN: creates conflicts

- RADA use domain discriminator entropy as policy to re-align samples

Obtained Results

- Almost all methods improve DANN
- RADA in A->W test doesn't improve
  - Neither worsen and relabeling started at epoch 17
  - No official code and training parameters available
- DALN in W->A is suffering the dataset imbalance
- JREG very effective but FGDA improve it a lot in W->A



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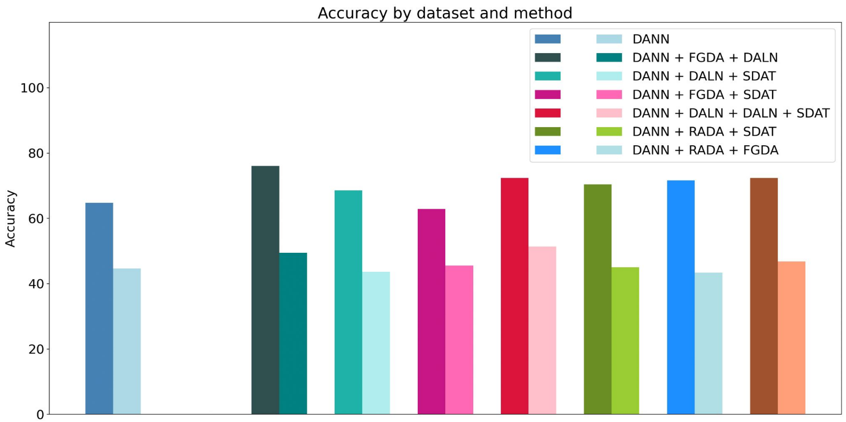
DANN + SDAT	87.06	73.58	+8.80	94.34	49.47	+4.79
DANN + JREG	85.82	73.58	+8.80	94.97	46.45	+1.77
DANN + FGDA	86.35	72.96	+8.18	96.86	52.13	**+7.45**
DANN + RADA	85.99	64.78	0	93.08	45.74	+1.06

Obtained Results

- FGDA + DALN seems a good idea
  - Best method in A->W test with gain of +11.32
  - In W->A test suffer the poor performances of DALN in this direction
- RADA + FGDA might be a good idea
  - Increase RADA performances
  - Problem are RADA poor performances due to non optimal training params.
- SDAT very sensitive to training params. -> if not well selected decrease performances



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DANN + FGDA + DALN	84.75	**76.10**	+11.32	93.08	49.47	+4.79
DANN + DALN + SDAT	85.64	68.55	+3.77	91.82	43.62	-1.06
DANN + FGDA + SDAT	81.21	62.89	-1.89	93.71	45.57	+0.89
DANN + DALN + DALN + SDAT	85.82	72.33	+7.55	94.97	51.42	+6.74
DANN + RADA + SDAT	83.87	70.44	+5.66	94.34	45.04	+0.36
DANN + RADA + FGDA	83.87	71.70	+6.92	94.34	43.44	-1.24
DANN + RADA + FGDA + SDAT	84.57	72.33	+7.55	93.71	46.81	+2.13

TSNE Analisy

DANN +DALN +FGDA +DALN+FGDA

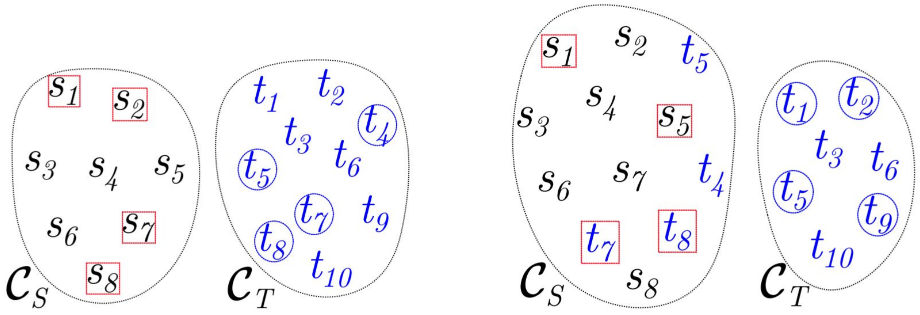
Improvement

- TSNE plots for A->W test of predicted target domain labels
- Better inter class separation
- Better intra class compactness

Incremental Method

Idea:

- Start from a **trained model**
- Assign a pseudo label to ***k* samples**
- At each iteration train the model
  - **First**, train the model as usual
  - **Next**, only on the new pseudo labeled samples
- At the end, a model from scratch **only** with the target data

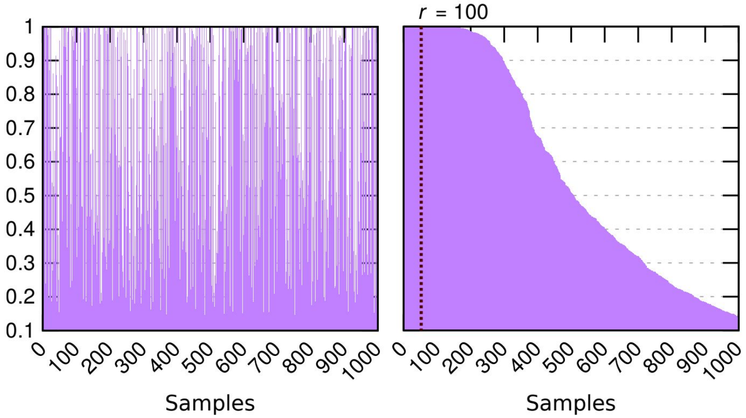


(a) 1^{st} iteration (b) 2^{nd} iteration

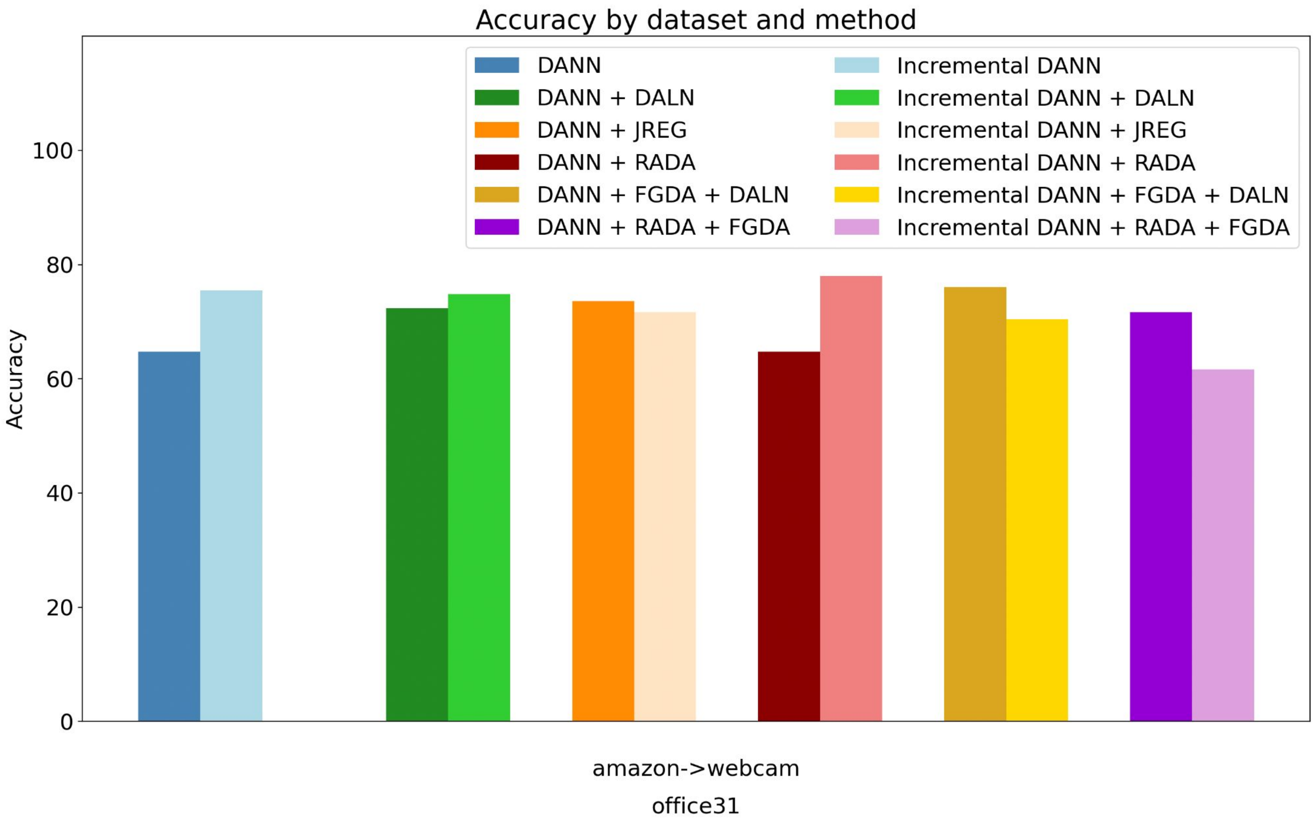
Incremental Method

How to assign a label to the data?

- **Confidence policy**: select the samples with the **highest confidence** in the classifier predictions
- **Possible issue:** samples with a very low confidence will distort the training of the model
- **Possible solution:** when the confidence is lower than a certain threshold assign all the remaining data to a label without training the model anymore



Results



Accuracy by dataset and method
DANN
DANN + DALN
DANN + JREG
DANN + RADA
DANN + FGDA + DALN
DANN + RADA + FGDA
Incremental DANN
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Accuracy
0
20
40
60
80
100
amazon->webcam
office31

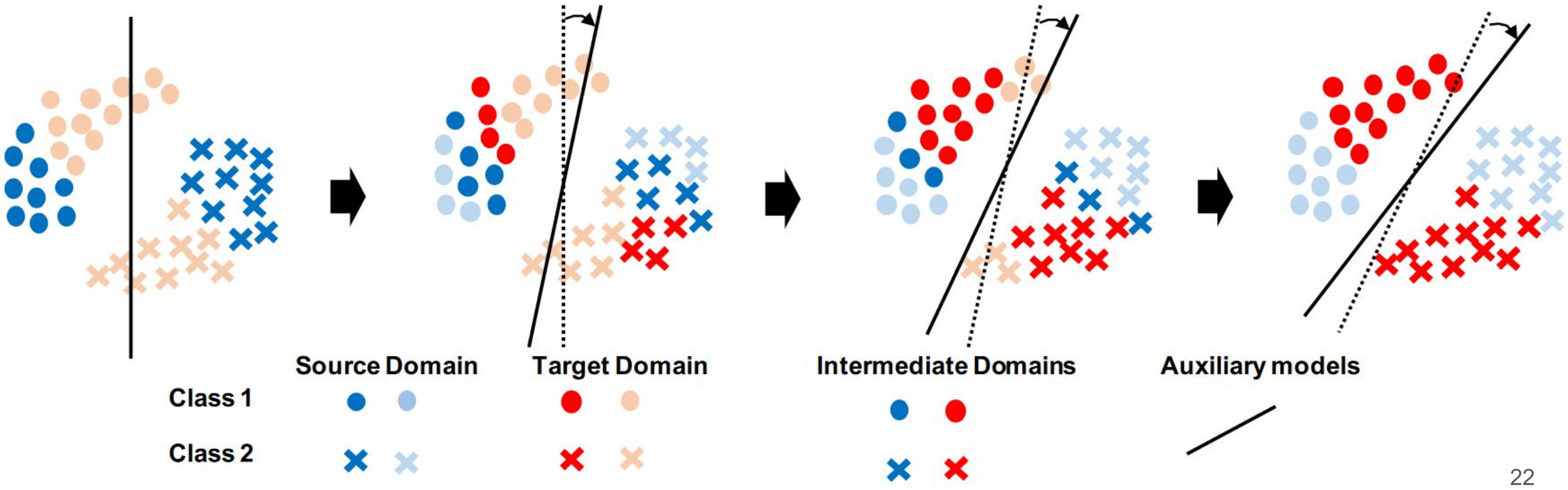
Adversarial Future Works

- Try different training parameters to possibly obtain better results in particular with RADA and SDAT
- Try different starting architectures (e.g. CDAN)
- Test on different datasets (e.g. MNIST or officeHome) to have a better understanding
- Try a different alignment measure for RADA not based on discriminator output allowing to fuse RADA with DALN
- Try different policies for selecting samples in the incremental method (e.g. k-NN)
- Test the incremental method with different hyperparameters setting

AuxSelfTrain

Key Idea:

- gradually replace source samples with target samples
- assign pseudo-labels through self-training



Experiments

- AuxSelfTrain sample selection
  - *target* - highest **confidence** pseudo-label
  - *source* - **closest** to target distribution
- Ablation studies:
  - *ST* - Full approach
  - *STS* - **source** samples are **randomly** selected
  - *STF* - both **source and target** are **randomly** selected

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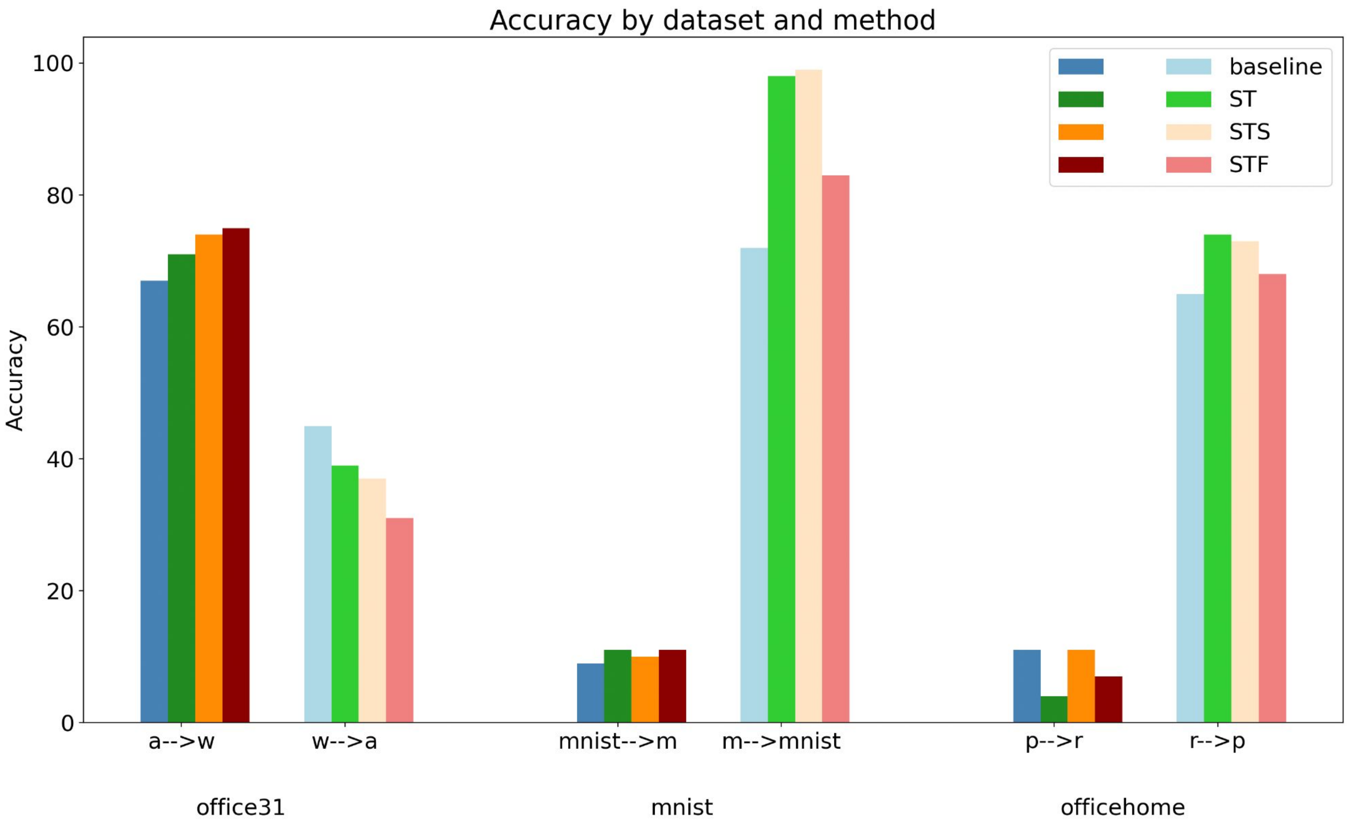
Accuracy by dataset and method
Accuracy
0
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baseline
ST
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a-->w
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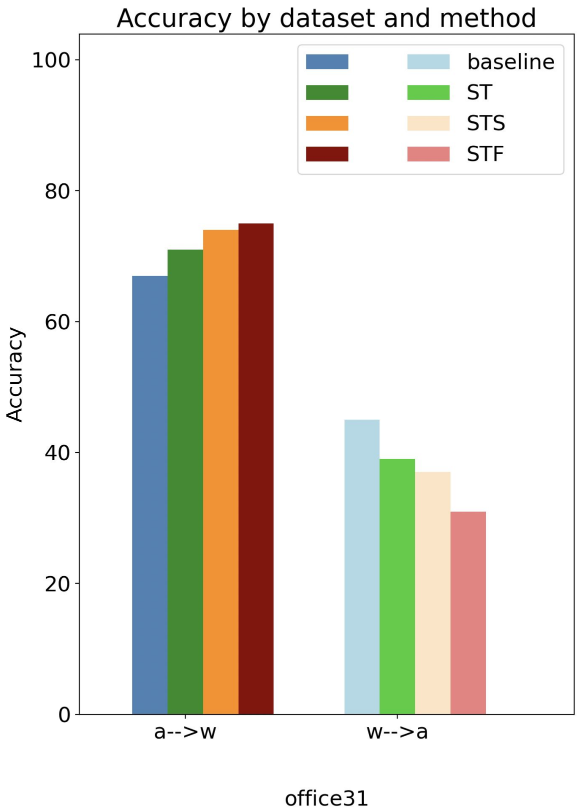
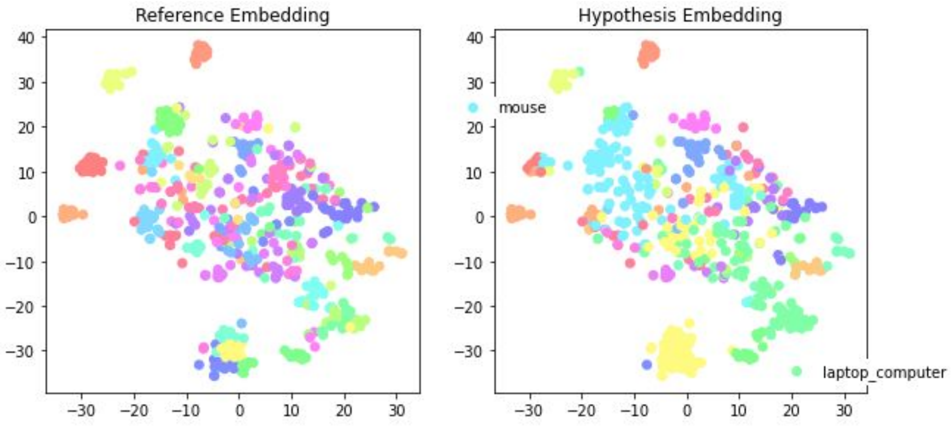
office31
mnist
officehome

Experiments: Office31



- Improvements in A -> W...
- ... But drop in W -> A
- Two problems:
  - clustering fails
  - some classes are over-represented



STS experiment

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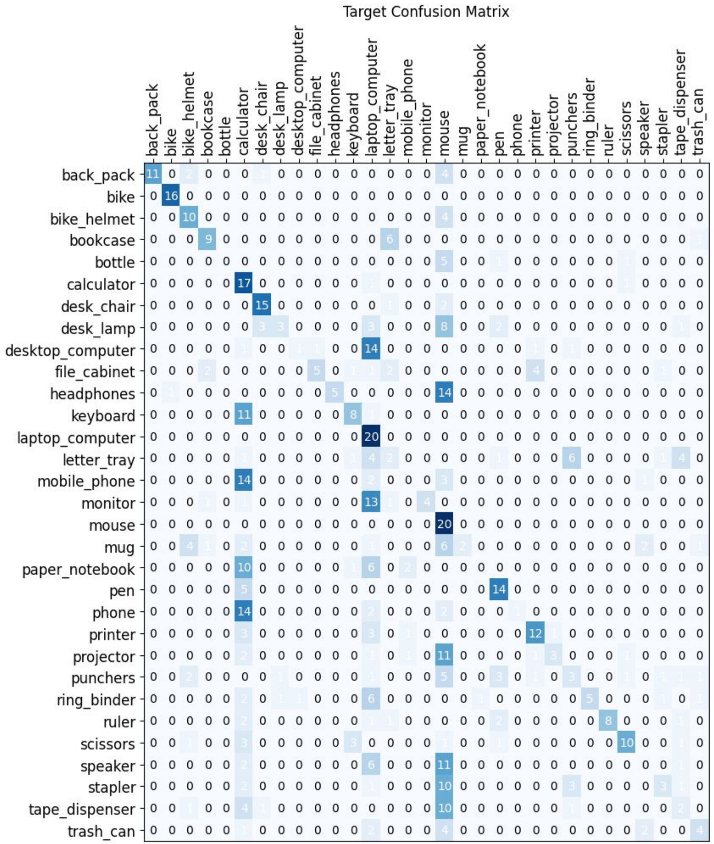
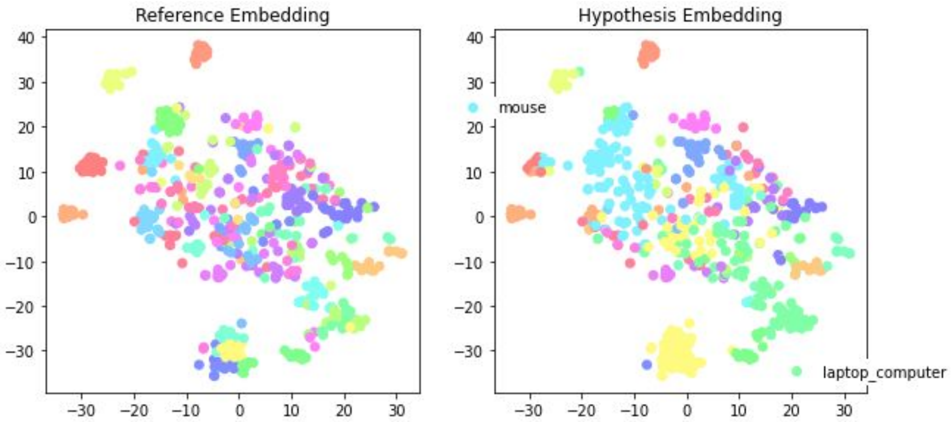


- Hypothesis: unbalanced dataset
  - A: ~3000 samples
  - W: ~800 samples
- Perform experiments balanced dataset



STS experiment

Additional Datasets

MNIST

mnist-m | mnist

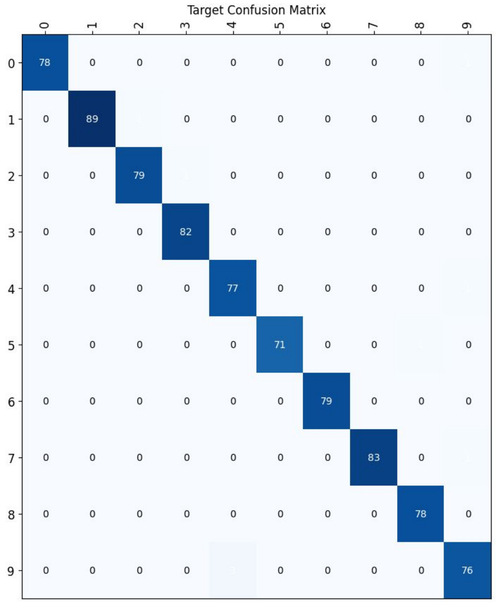
~4000 | ~4000

OfficeHome

Product | Real World

~2000 | ~2000

MNIST-M -> MNIST



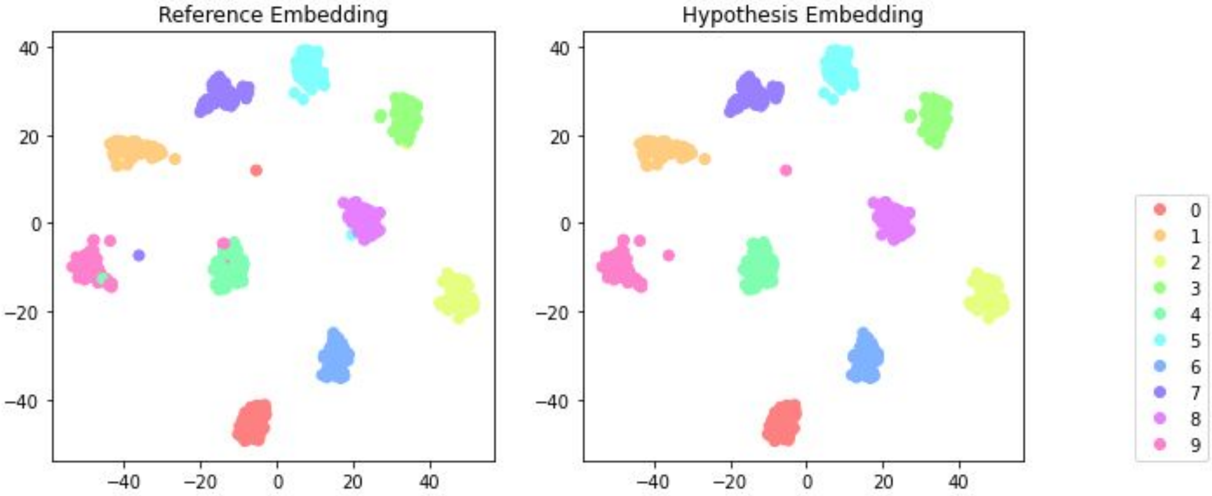
Target

Accuracy: 98.88

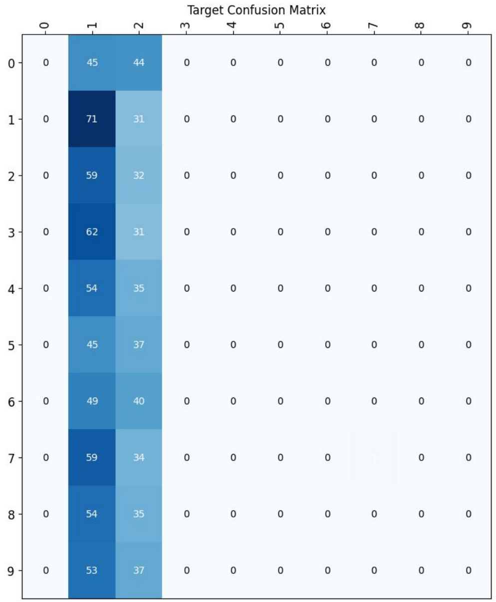
Loss: 0.00

Great!

Baseline is ~72%



MNIST -> MNIST-M

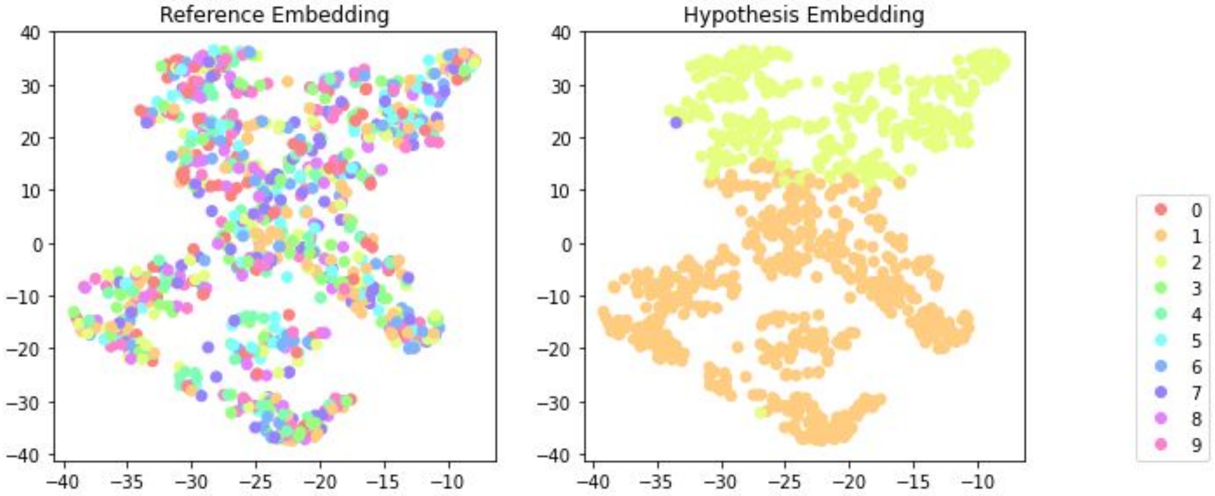


Target

Accuracy: 11.45

Loss: 0.10

Yikes!



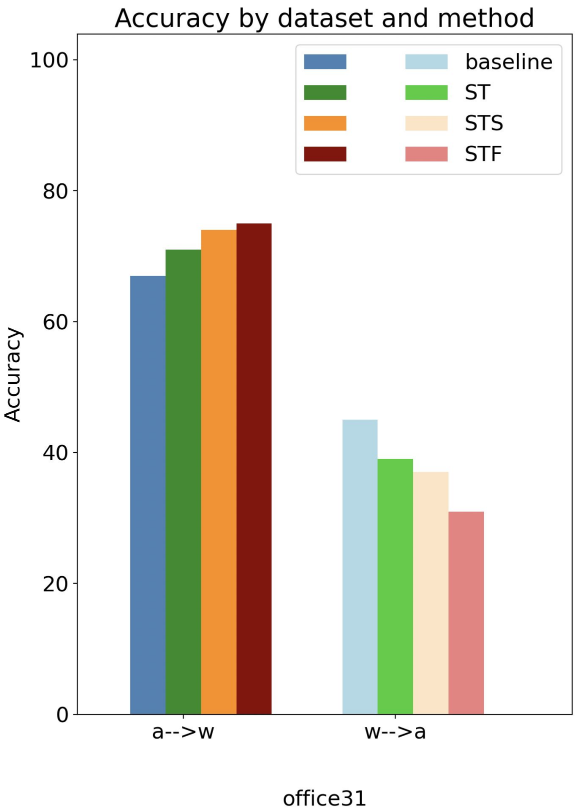
Asymmetric domains

- Results show similar patterns in OfficeHome
  - **R -> P** - good results
  - **P -> R** - no results

- Probably due to an **asymmetric** domain shift
  - MNIST-M is MNIST but with **more** information
  - same for R and P

- The model only work with **small** domain shift
  - otherwise, it is **over-confident** on one single label

Back to Office31



Why does it perform “suspiciously well” on A -> W?

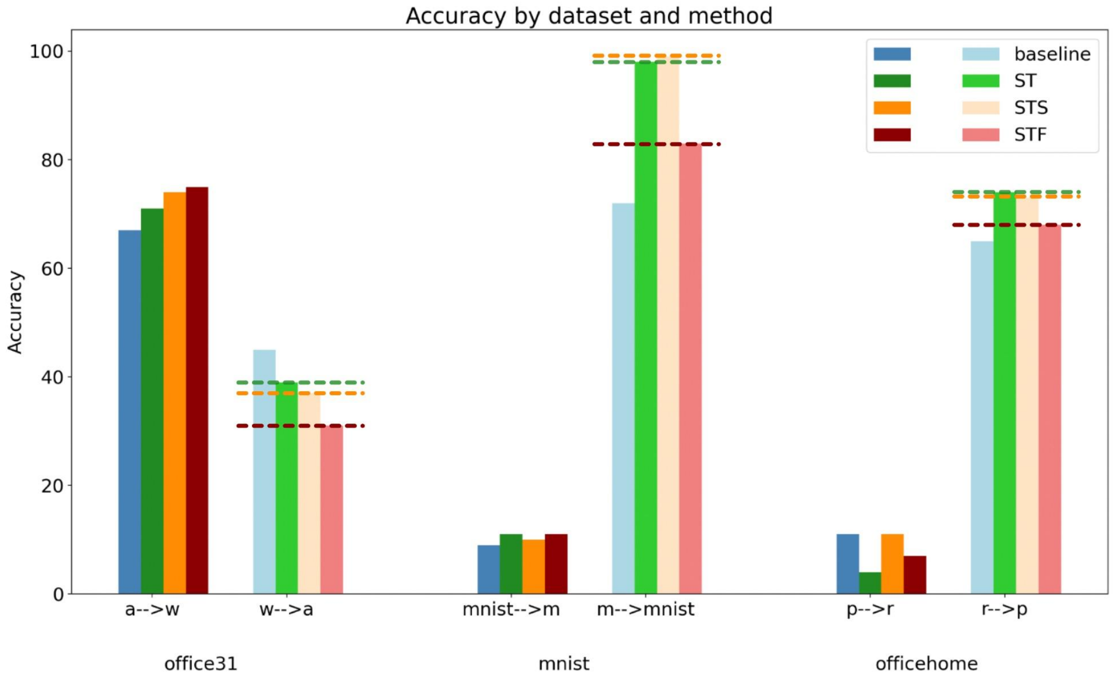
- amazon has some webcam-style images

Why does it perform “suspiciously bad” on W -> A?

- the domains are not balanced!

Ablation study

- ST, STS ≫ STF
  - target sample selection **works**



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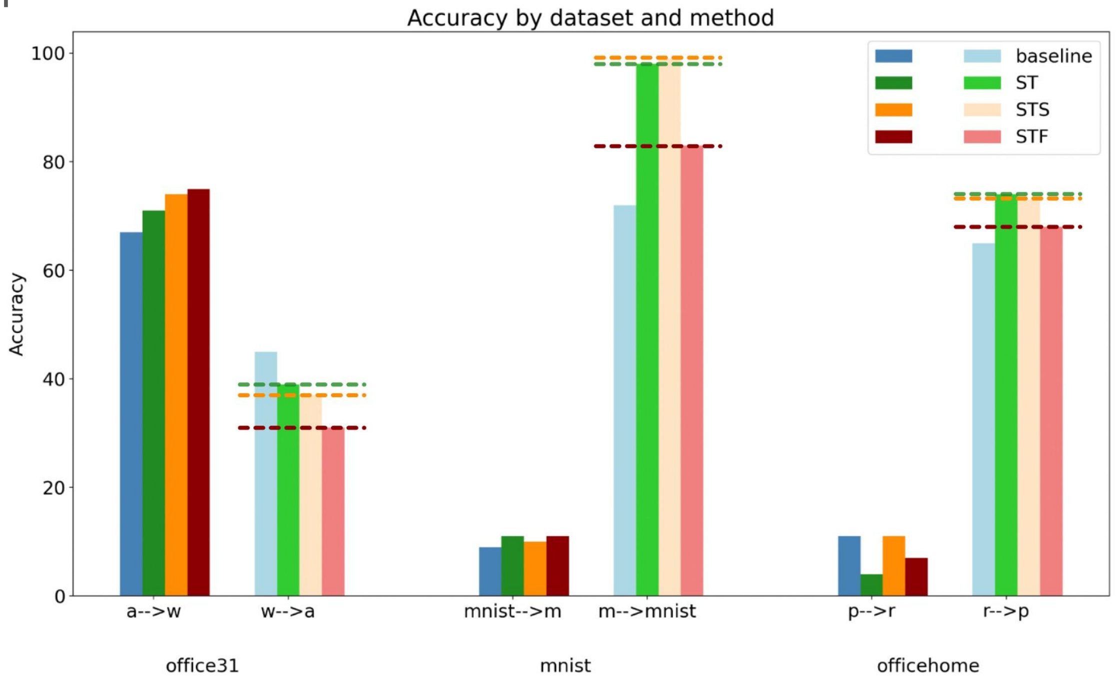

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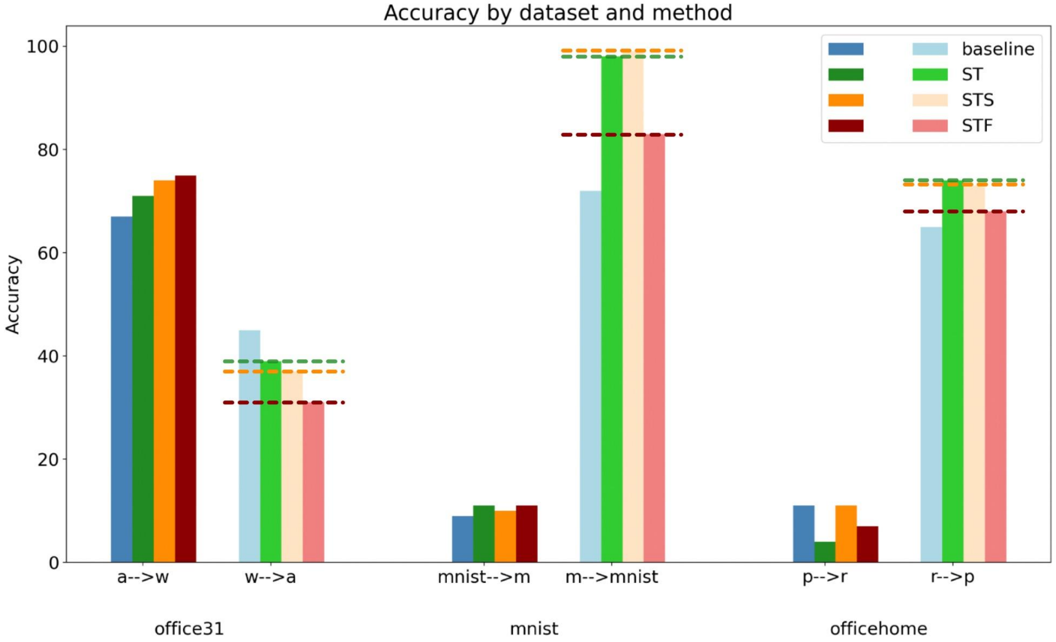

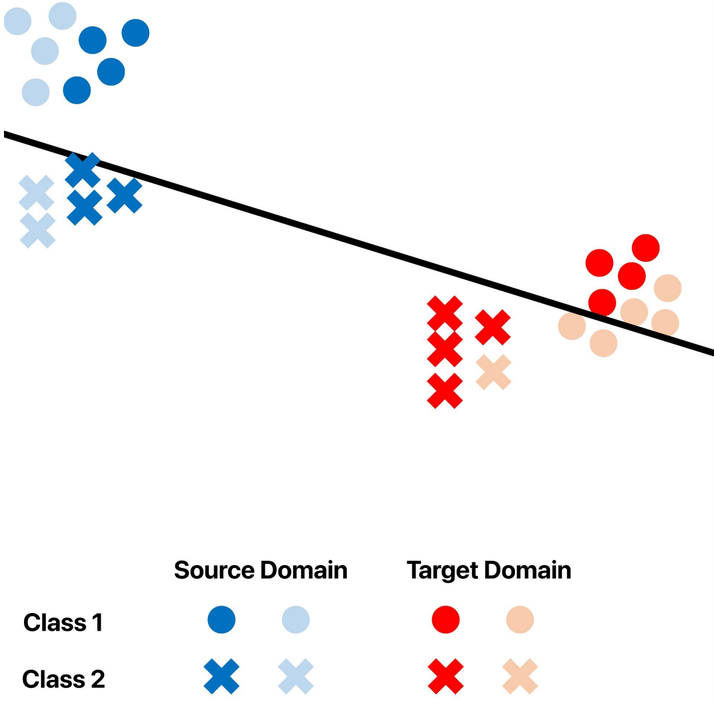

Future works

- Implement **model ensemble** on the target source samples selection strategy
  - requires significant computational power
- Behaviour on MNIST -> MNIST-M resembles the **mode collapse** problem of GANs
  - use toolchains from GAN literature to explore
  - add penalty/threshold when few classes are over-represented
  - cross-validation loss
- Test DANN methods on other datasets
  - provide insights on your model

Conclusion

- **Avoid** to **over complicate** the model
- **Keep** the model **simple** but exploit it better (change losses and/or optimizer)
- Some models require careful **fine-tuning** of hyperparameters
- There is **no panacea** model
  - A thorough dataset exploration is crucial
  - Pick the best DA approach given the dataset

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…and merry christmas!