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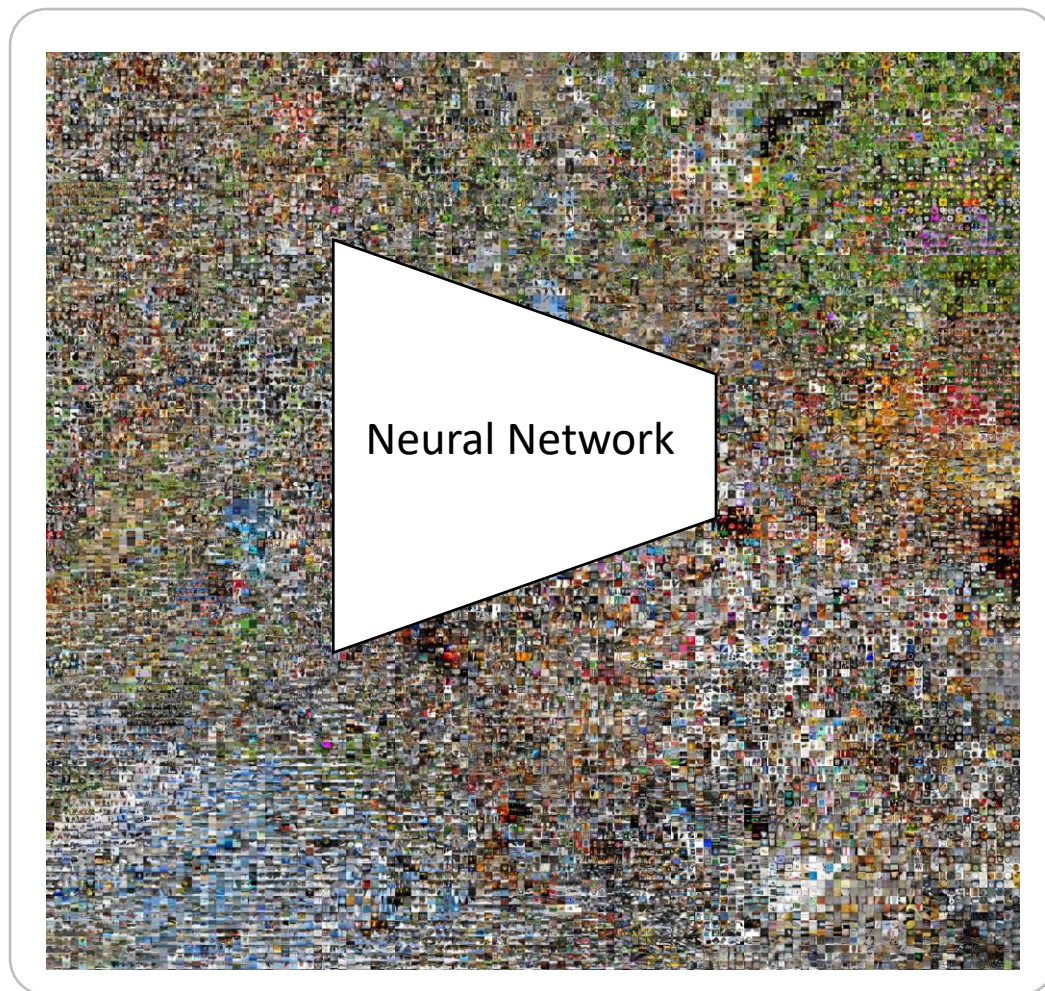


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Few-shot image classification

Base classes



Novel classes



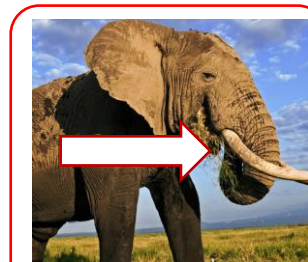
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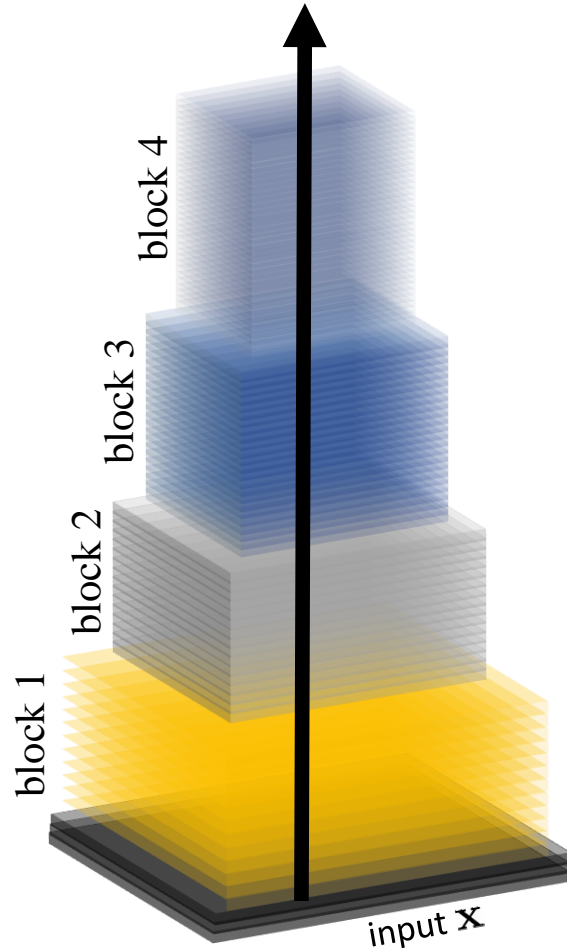


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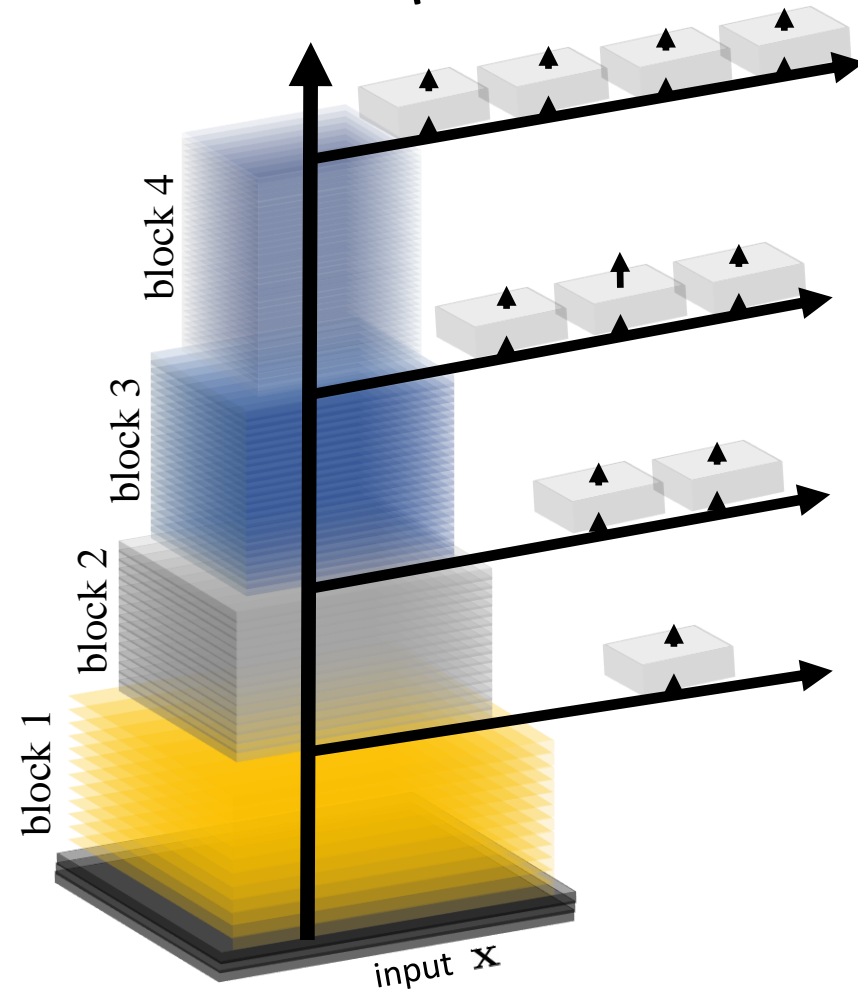
Feature sets

single feature vector



common practice

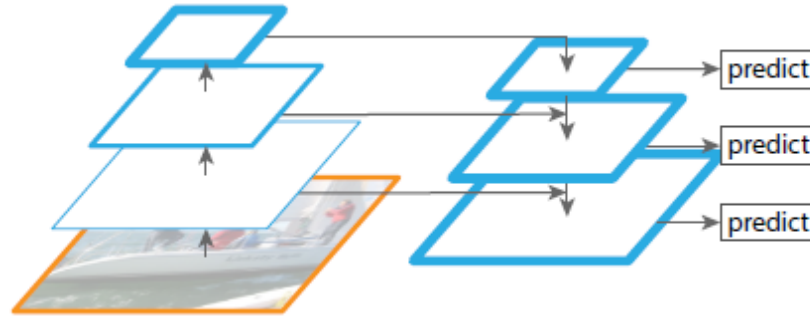
feature sets



this work (ours)

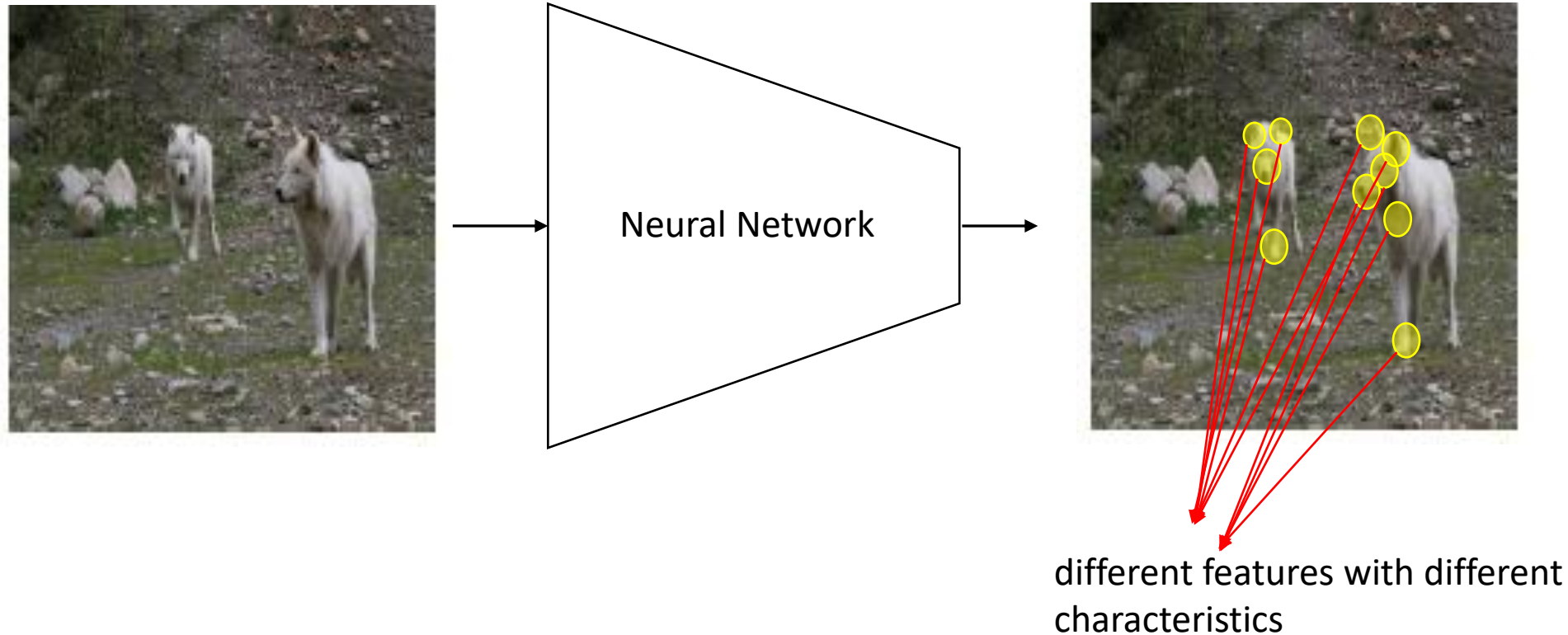
Inspiration

we take **inspiration** from Feature Pyramid Networks [1]



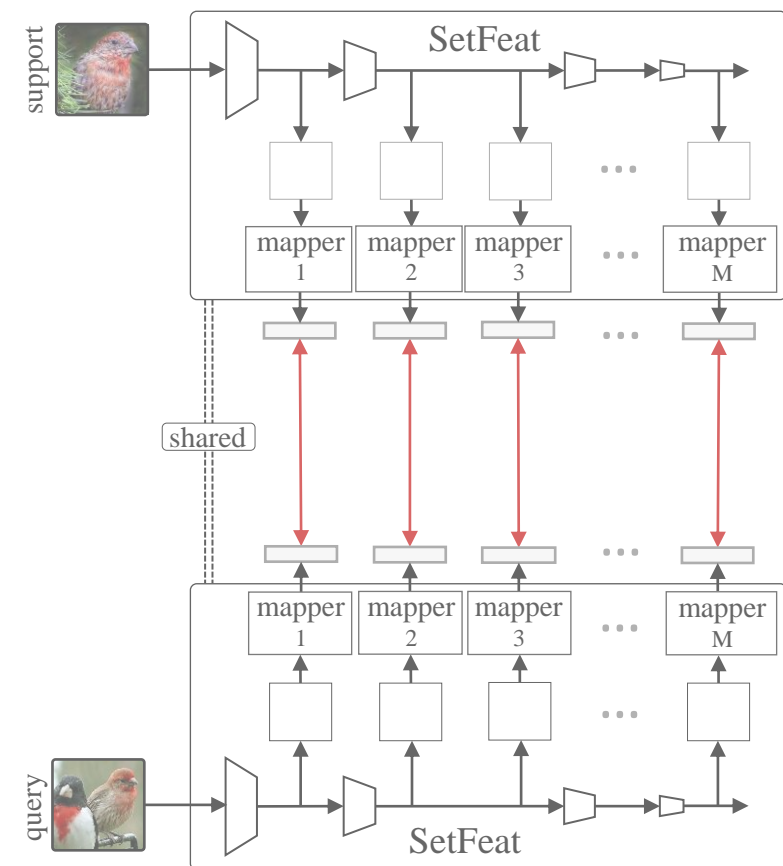
Matching feature set

we **aim** at learning a richer feature space

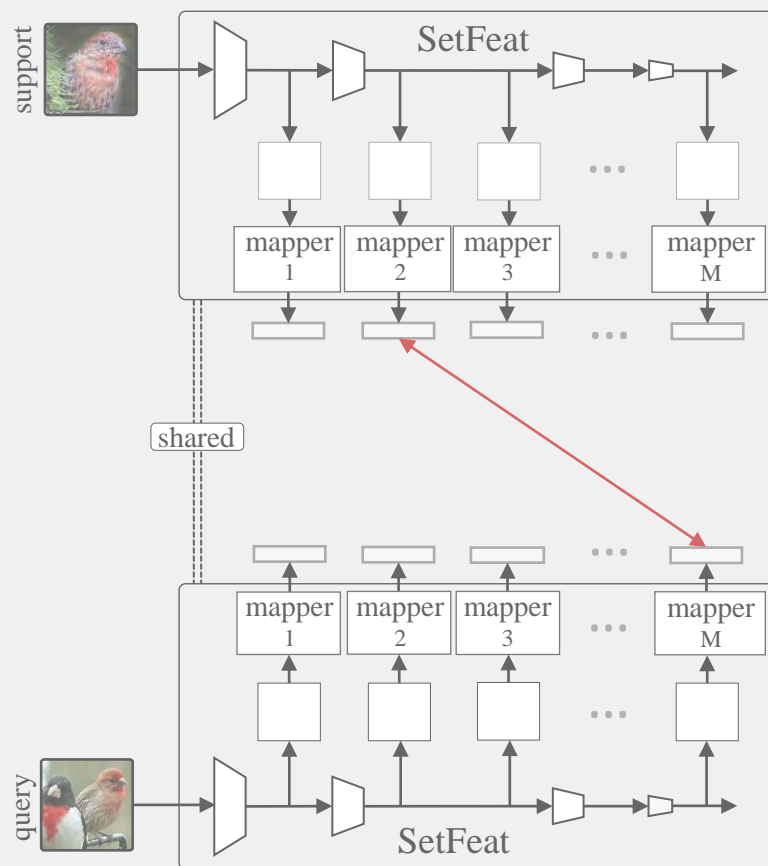


Set Feature extractor (SetFeat)

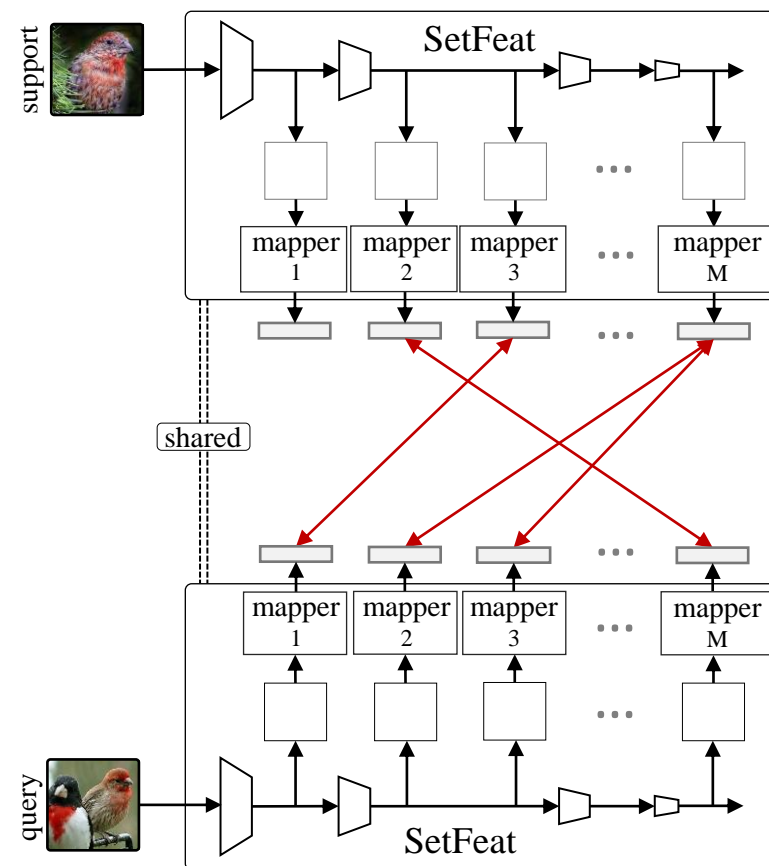
SetFeat



(a) match-sum



(b) min-min



(c) sum-min

Evaluation

Datasets

MinImageNet

TieredImageNet

CUB

Backbones

Conv4

ResNet-12

ResNet-18

Evaluation: minImageNet

Method	Backbone	1-shot	5-shot
ProtoNet [46]	Conv4-64	49.42	68.20
MAML [18]		48.07	63.15
RelationNet [49]		50.44	65.32
Baseline++ [8]		48.24	66.43
IMP [3]		49.60	68.10
MemoryNet [7]		53.37	66.97
Neg-Margin [33]		52.84	70.41
MixtFSL [2]		52.82	70.67
FEAT [64]		55.15	71.61
MELR [16]		55.35	72.27
BOIL [37]		49.61	66.45
Ours - Match-sum	SF4-64	55.74	72.18
Min-min		56.22	72.70
Sum-min		57.18	73.67

+1.83

Evaluation: tieredImageNet

	Method	Backbone	1-shot	5-shot
- Ours -	OptNet [29]	ResNet12	65.99	81.56
	MTL [48]		65.62	80.61
	DNS [44]		66.22	82.79
	Simple [51]		69.74	84.41
	TapNet [66]		63.08	80.26
	ProtoNet [†] [46]		68.23	84.03
	FEAT [64]		70.80	84.79
	MixtFSL [2]		70.97	86.16
	Distill [51]		71.52	86.03
	DeepEMD [70]		71.16	86.03
	DMF [62]		71.89	85.96
	MELR [16]		72.14	87.01
	Distill [42]		72.21	87.08
	Match-sum	- SF12 -	71.22	85.43
- Ours -	Min-min		71.75	86.40
	Sum-min		73.63	87.59

[†]taken from [29]

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Evaluation: CUB

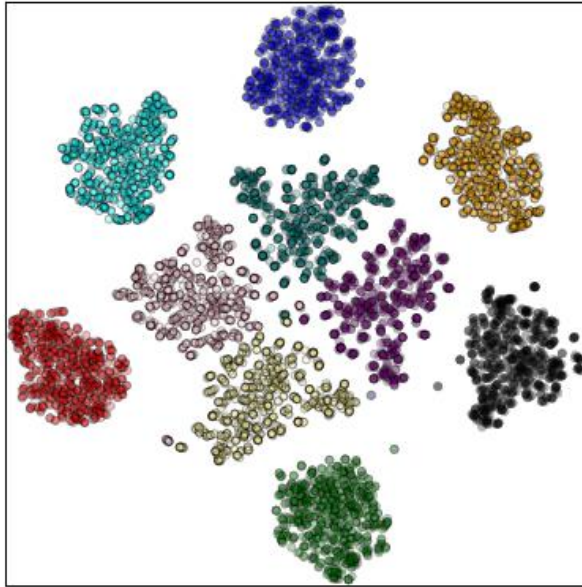
Method		Backbone	1-shot	5-shot
Ours	MatchingNet [55]	—	61.16	72.86
	ProtoNet [46]		64.42	81.82
	MAML [17]		55.92	72.09
	RelationNet [49]		62.45	76.11
	FEAT [64]		68.87	82.90
	MELR [16]		70.26	85.01
	Match-sum	SF4-64	67.35	83.82
Ours	Min-min		70.15	84.94
	Sum-min		72.09	87.05



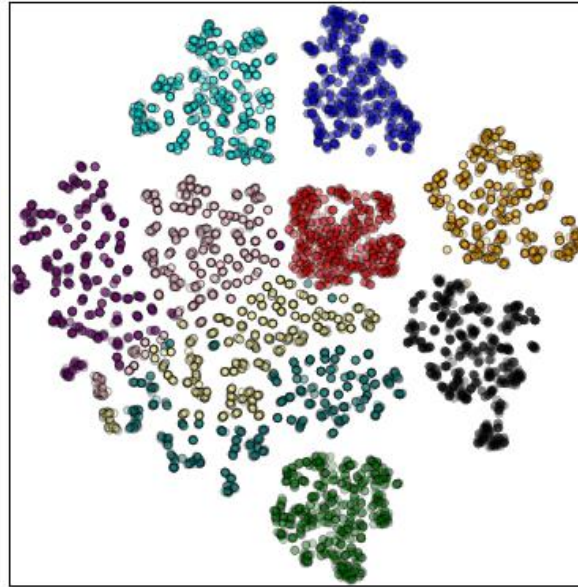
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Ablation

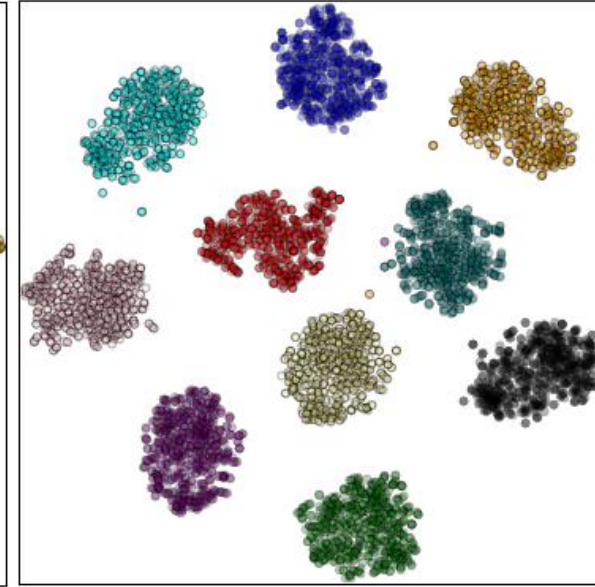
Probing the activation of mappers



(a) miniImageNet



(b) CUB



(c) tieredImageNet

Summary of our paper

- the idea of reasoning on sets and a set-based inference of feature vectors
- a straightforward way to adapt existing backbones
- extensive experiments and ablations with different few-shot datasets

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<https://lvs.n.githu.b.io/SetFeat/>

Thank you for your attention!

