

[The power of ensembles in active learning]

- computationally costly \rightarrow snapshot ensemble

<Methodology>

✓ Pool-Based Active Learning

- U : Large unlabelled pool
- L : Small labelled set of data
- M : Model

• $a(U, M) \rightarrow s$

$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} - a: \text{acquisition function} \\ - s: \text{points to be labeled, then added} \end{array} \right.$

regression: $a(U, M)$ is based on the predictive variance of the model output

classification: softmax output vector of model as an input to acquisition function

outputs of the last FC layer are used as feature vectors to calculate image similarities for a density-based approach.

< Approaches for Uncertainty estimation >

① Monte Carlo Dropout

$$p(y=c | x, D_{\text{train}}) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T p(y=c | x, w_t)$$

② Deep ensembles

$$p(y=c | x, D_{\text{train}}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N p(y=c | x, w_{\text{init}_i})$$

< Approaches for Acquisition >

uncertainty based

① Highest entropy of predicted class entropy

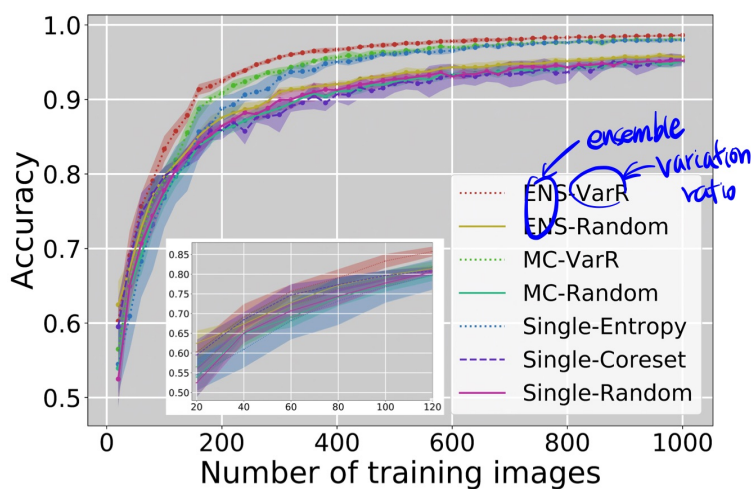
② BALD: the mutual information between data points and weights

③ Variation ratio: the proportion of predicted class labels that are not the modal class prediction.

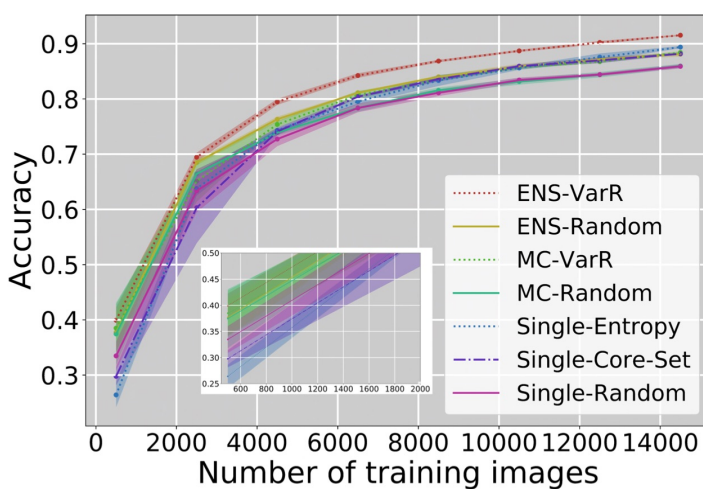
④ Core-set

⑤ REPR

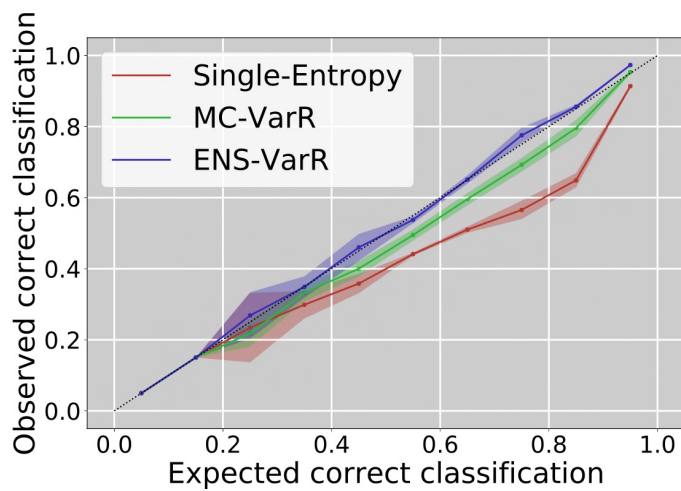
best performance when married with deep ensemble



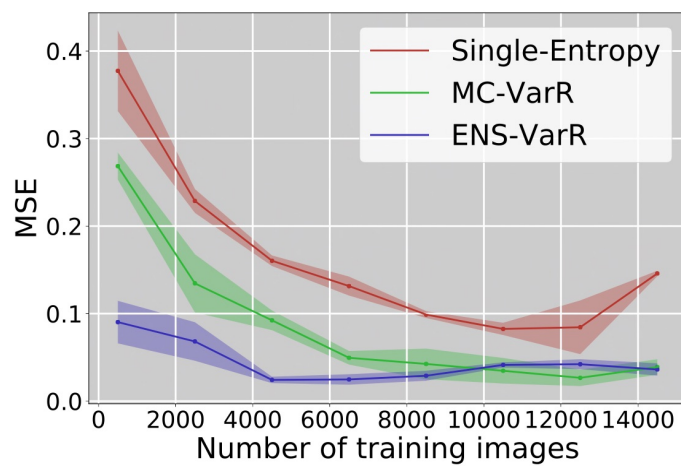
(a) MNIST on S-CNN



(b) CIFAR-10 on DenseNet



(a)



(b)

Uncertainty
Calibration