



Multimodal Model-Agnostic Meta-Learning via Task-Aware Modulation

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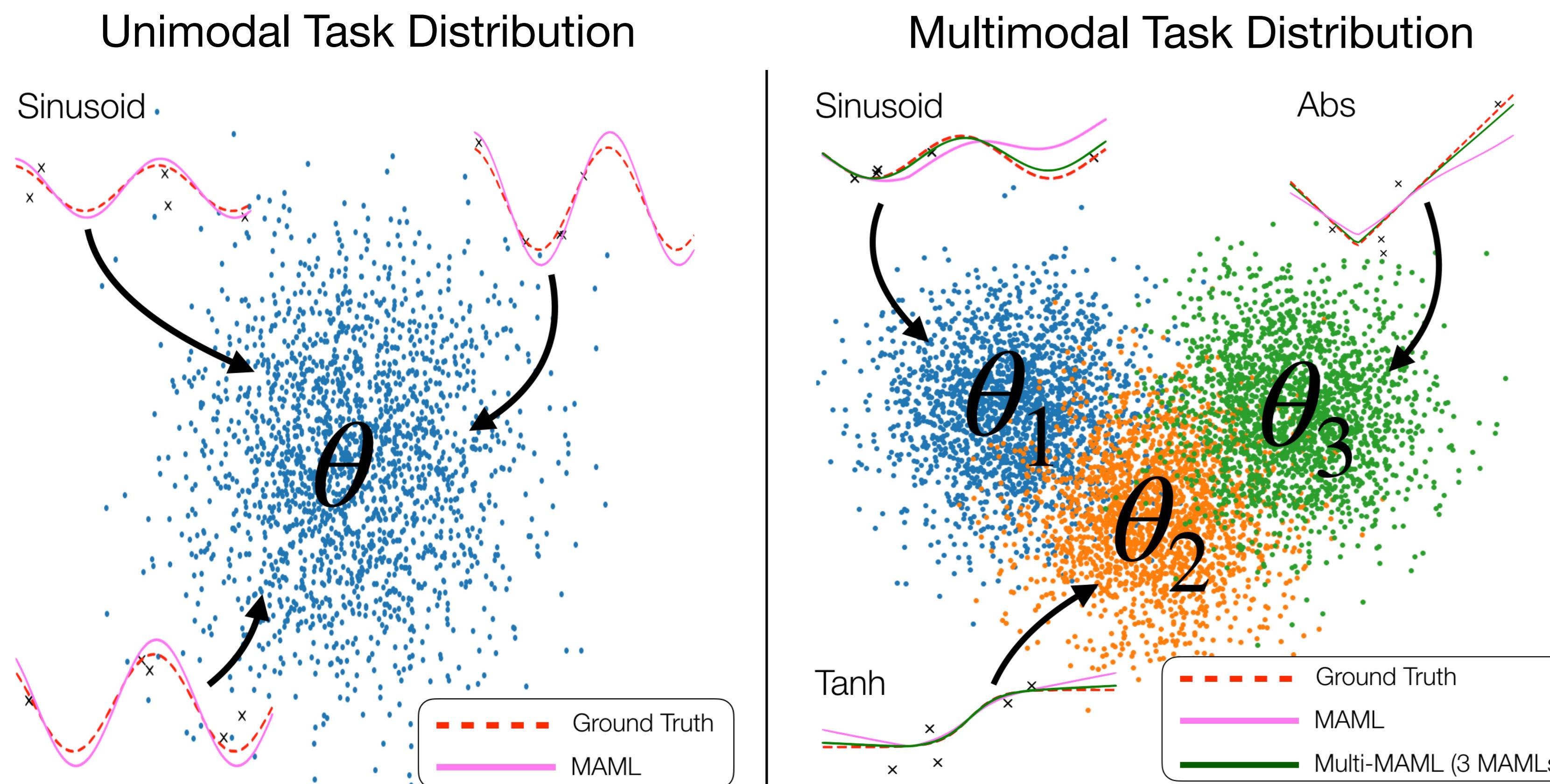
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Introduction



Real-world task distributions are often multimodal

- Have a rich structure (e.g. multiple modes)
- Some knowledge can be transferable across modes/tasks

Model-agnostic meta-learning (MAML) [1]

- Seek a common initialization parameter for all the modes

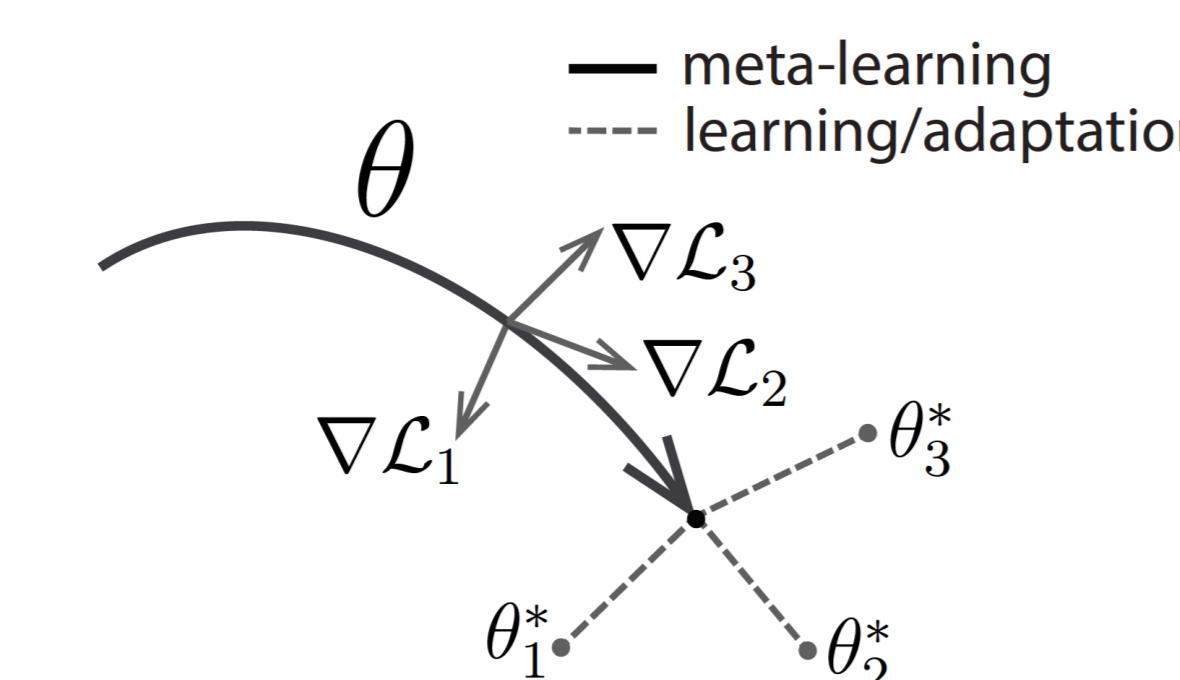
An ensemble of MAMLS (Multi-MAML)

- Mode labels are often not available
- Prevent sharing related knowledge among modes/tasks

Background

Model-Agnostic Meta-Learning [1]

- Meta-learn a parameter initialization that can be fine-tuned for new tasks in few gradient update steps



Model-Agnostic Meta-Learning Objective

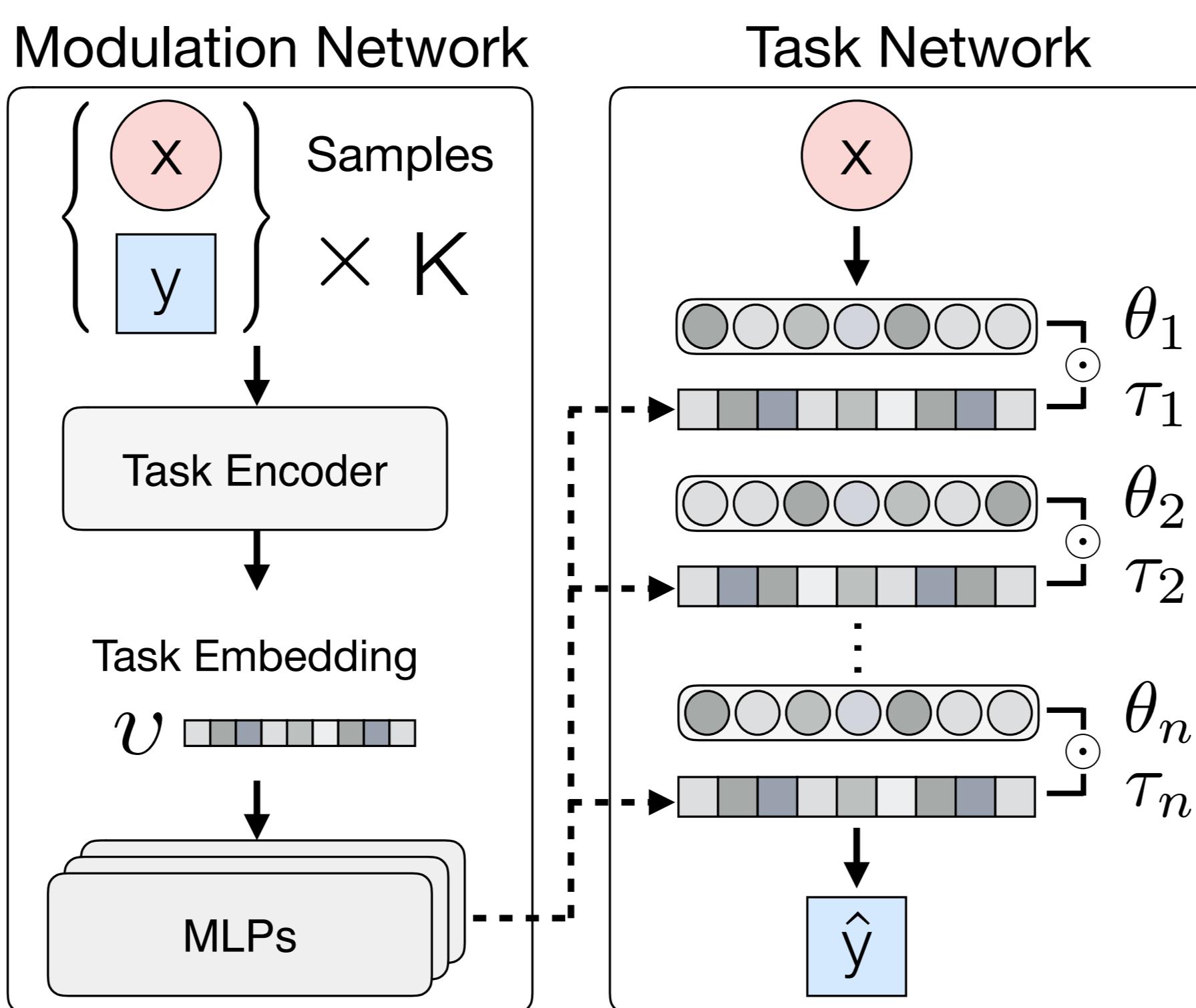
- Inner loop $\theta'_{\mathcal{T}_j} = \theta - \alpha \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}_j}(f(x, \theta); \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}_j}^{\text{train}})$
- Outer loop $\theta' = \theta - \beta \nabla_{\theta} \sum_{\mathcal{T}_j \sim P(\mathcal{T})} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}_j}(f(x, \theta'_{\mathcal{T}_j}); \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}_j}^{\text{val}})$

[1] Finn, Chelsea, Pieter Abbeel, and Sergey Levine. "Model-agnostic meta-learning for fast adaptation of deep networks." in International Conference on Machine Learning 2017

Our Approach

Intuition

- Modulation network: identify task modes and modulate the initialization accordingly
- Task network: further gradient adaptation via MAML steps



Outer loop

- Task Encoder: produce the task embedding
- MLPs: modulate the task network blocks

Inner loop

- Task network: fast adapt through gradient updates

Parameters

 ω_g ω_h θ

Algorithm 1 MMAML META-TRAINING PROCEDURE.

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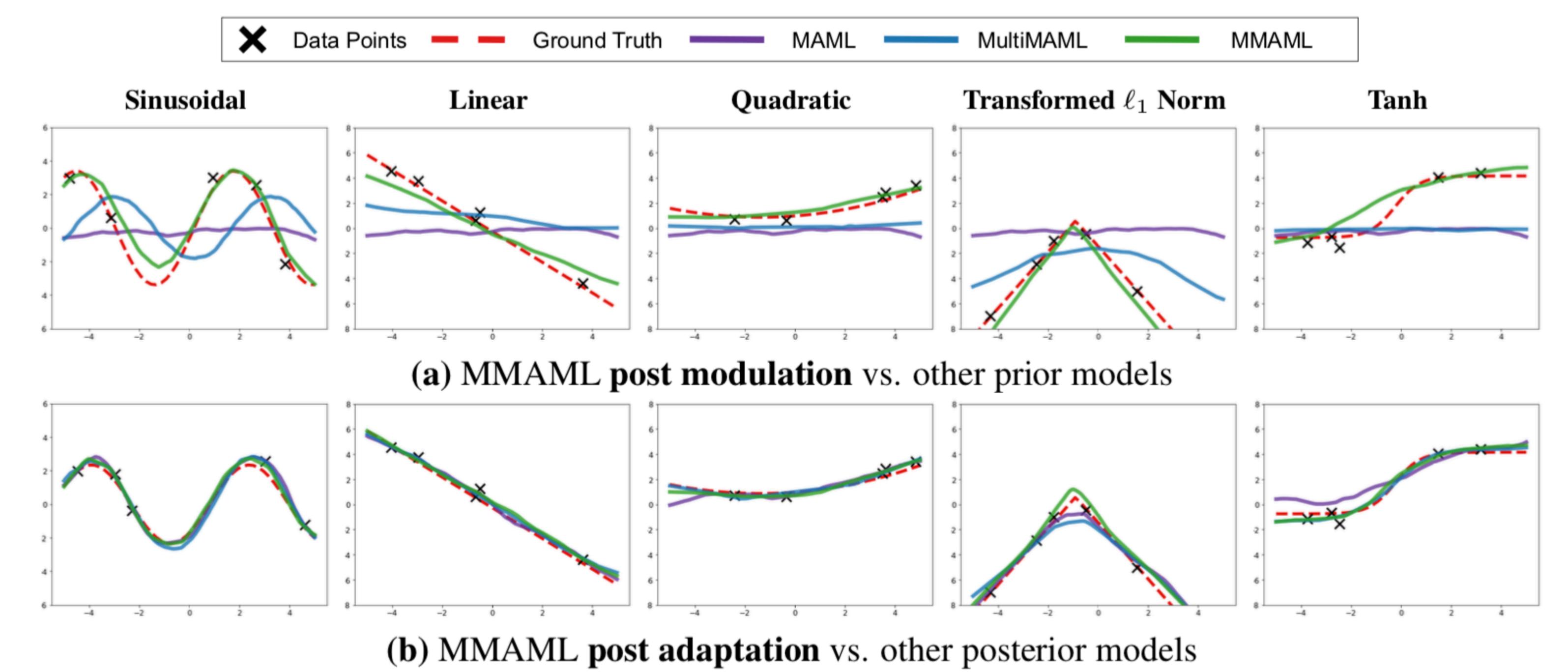
1: Input: Task distribution  $P(\mathcal{T})$ , Hyper-parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ .
2: Randomly initialize  $\theta$  and  $\omega$ .
3: while not DONE do
4:   Sample batches of tasks  $\mathcal{T}_j \sim P(\mathcal{T})$ 
5:   for all j do
6:     Infer  $v = h(\{x, y\}_K; \omega_h)$  with  $K$  samples from  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}_j}^{\text{train}}$ .
7:     Generate parameters  $\tau = \{g_i(v; \omega_g) | i = 1, \dots, N\}$  to modulate each block of the task network  $f$ .
8:     Evaluate  $\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}_j}(f(x; \theta, \tau); \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}_j}^{\text{train}})$  w.r.t the  $K$  samples
9:     Compute adapted parameter with gradient descent:

$$\theta'_{\mathcal{T}_j} = \theta - \alpha \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}_j}(f(x; \theta, \tau); \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}_j}^{\text{train}})$$

10:    end for
11:   Update  $\theta$  with  $\beta \nabla_{\theta} \sum_{\mathcal{T}_j \sim P(\mathcal{T})} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}_j}(f(x; \theta', \tau); \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}_j}^{\text{val}})$ 
12:   Update  $\omega_g$  with  $\beta \nabla_{\omega_g} \sum_{\mathcal{T}_j \sim P(\mathcal{T})} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}_j}(f(x; \theta', \tau); \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}_j}^{\text{val}})$ 
13:   Update  $\omega_h$  with  $\beta \nabla_{\omega_h} \sum_{\mathcal{T}_j \sim P(\mathcal{T})} \mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{T}_j}(f(x; \theta', \tau); \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{T}_j}^{\text{val}})$ 
14: end while

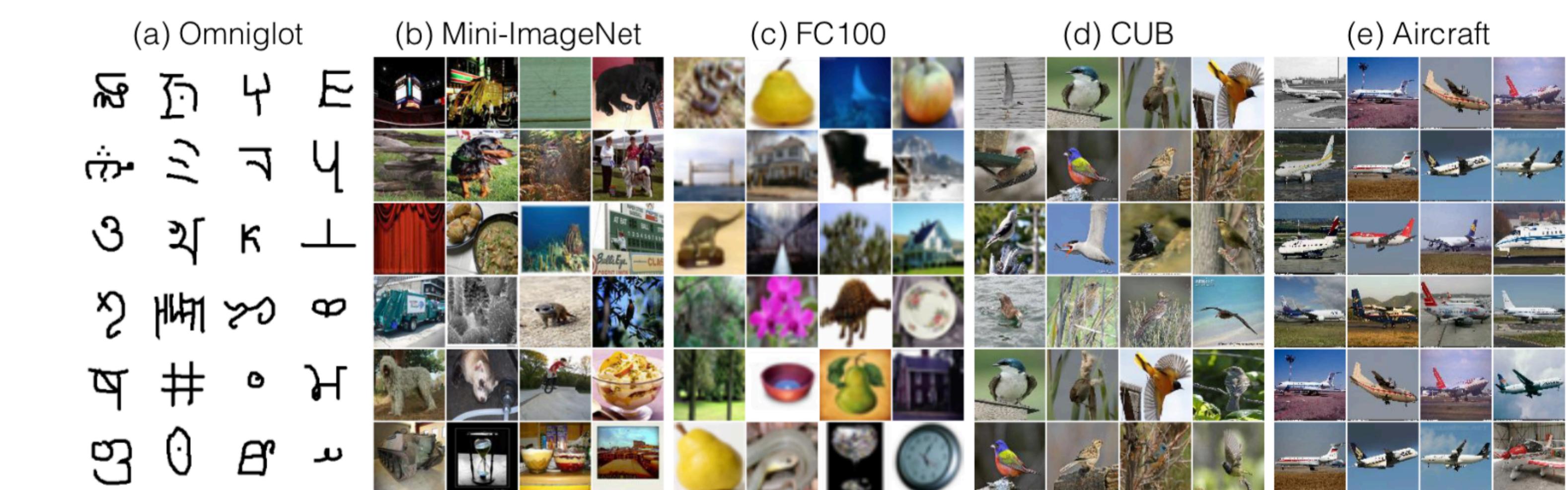
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Experiment - Regression



Method	2 Modes		3 Modes		5 Modes	
	Post Modulation	Post Adaptation	Post Modulation	Post Adaptation	Post Modulation	Post Adaptation
MAML [8]	-	1.085	-	1.231	-	1.668
Multi-MAML	-	0.433	-	0.713	-	1.082
LSTM Learner	0.362	-	0.548	-	0.898	-
Ours: MMAML (Softmax)	1.548	0.361	2.213	0.444	2.421	0.939
Ours: MMAML (FiLM)	2.421	0.336	1.923	0.444	2.166	0.868

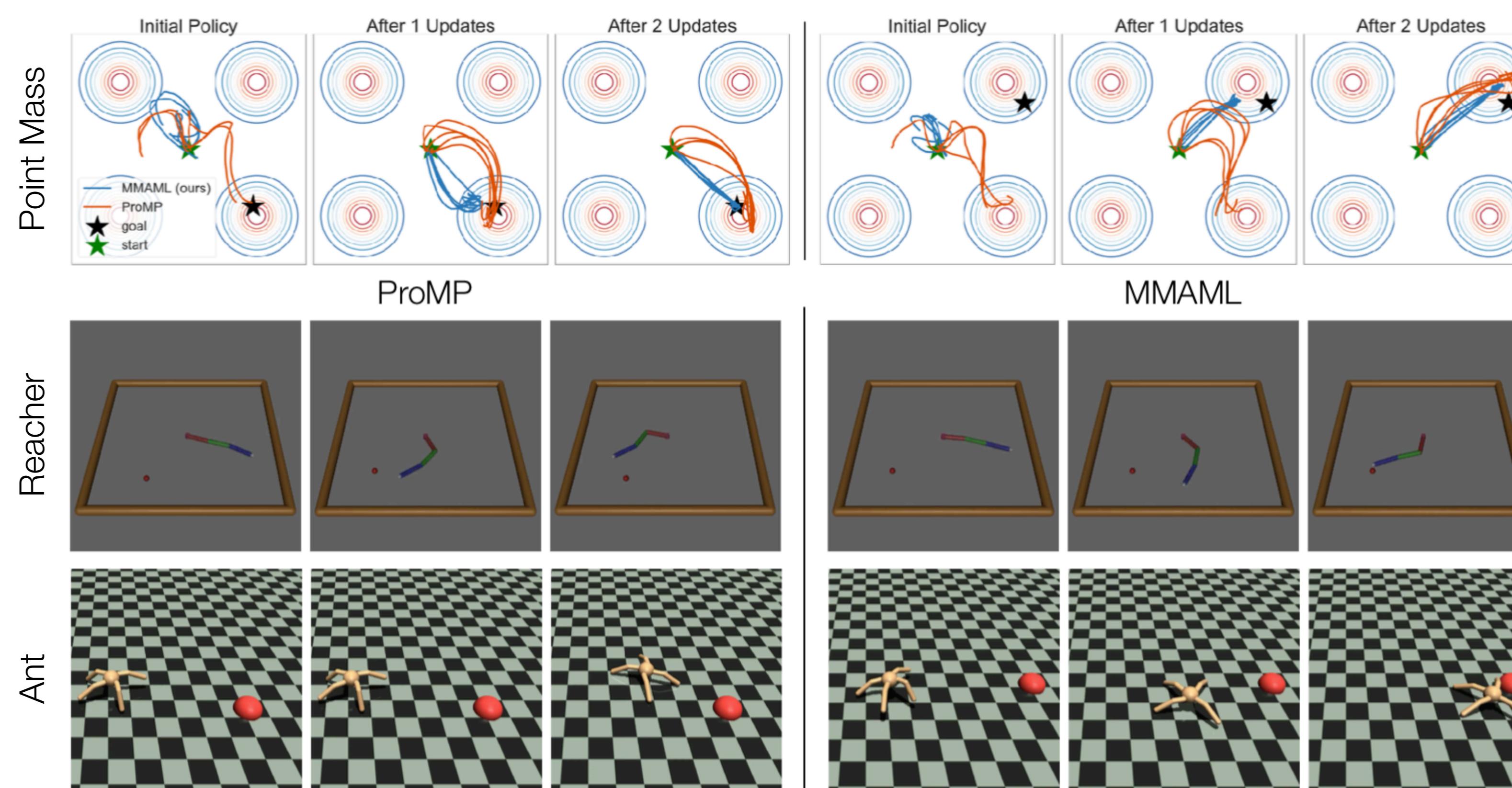
Experiment - Classification



Method & Setup	2 Modes		3 Modes		5 Modes	
	Way	Shot	Way	Shot	Way	Shot
MAML [8]	66.80%	77.79%	44.69%	54.55%	67.97%	28.22%
Multi-MAML	66.85%	73.07%	53.15%	55.90%	62.20%	39.77%
MMAML (ours)	69.93%	78.73%	47.80%	57.47%	70.15%	36.27%
	5-way	20-way	5-way	20-way	5-way	20-way
	1-shot	5-shot	1-shot	5-shot	1-shot	1-shot

Experiment - Reinforcement Learning

Method	POINT MASS 2D			REACHER			ANT	
	2 Modes	4 Modes	6 Modes	2 Modes	4 Modes	6 Modes	2 Modes	4 Modes
ProMP [42]	-397 ± 20	-523 ± 51	-330 ± 10	-12 ± 2.0	-13.8 ± 2.5	-14.9 ± 2.9	-761 ± 48	-953 ± 46
Multi-ProMP	-109 ± 6	-109 ± 6	-92 ± 4	-4.3 ± 0.1	-4.3 ± 0.1	-4.3 ± 0.1	-624 ± 38	-611 ± 31
Ours	-136 ± 8	-209 ± 32	-169 ± 48	-10.0 ± 1.0	-11.0 ± 0.8	-10.9 ± 1.1	-711 ± 25	-904 ± 37



Experiment - Learned Task Embeddings

