Weekly Progress Report

Dec 6th - Dec 10th, 2021

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Weekly Summary

- Done:

- Reproduced the results from Xingxin's once_kitti-format_z_offset=1.2
- Compare performance for once-z_offset=1.2 vs $1.25 \rightarrow 1.25$ is better
- Verifying the effectiveness of densified pointcloud on ONCE
 - Generate ONCE info files for **densified** pointcloud with z_offset=1.25
 - Experiment on kitti-style-densified(MFD)-z_offset1.25-Naive DA
 - Densified M2 validation set and repeat the Naive DA on M2_MFD

- In Progress:

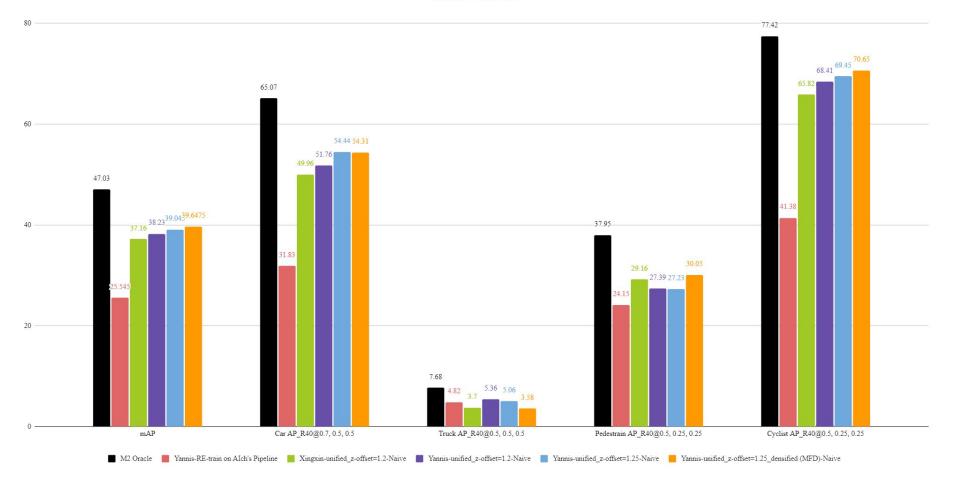
- Fine-tuning (train on ONCE_MDF → test on M2)
 - MFD parameter experiment (optimize the hyper-parameters)

- Recent Goals:

- Incorporate Mrigank's DSBN
- MFD range experiment
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- **TODO**:

- Implement densification on P40 (if densification is working)
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- Experiment on p40 densified pointcloud (baseline, ROI, z_offset, etc)



- Dec 6 (Monday)
 - Reproduced Xingxin's result on "once_kitti-format_offset1.2"
 - TODO:
 - Generate info files for "once not-densified kitti-format offset1.25"
 - Train on "once_not-densified_kitti-format_offset1.25" and compare performance with offset 1.2
 - Test on m2 to compare
 - X = max (performance of offset=1.2, performance of offset=1.25)
 - Prepare dataset from
 - "once_densified_once-fotmat_offset0_wo_info" → "once_densifed_kitti-format_offsetX_w_info"
 - Train on the "once_densifed_kitti-format_offsetX"
 - Test on m2

- Dec 7 (Tuesday)
 - Generated info files for "once_not-densified_kitti-format_offset1.25"
 - Experiment: "once_not-densified_kitti-format_offset1.25"
 - compared performance with offset $1.2 \rightarrow z_{offset}$ 1.25 is better
 - 1.25 = max (performance of offset=1.2, performance of offset=1.25)
 - Prepared dataset (Thanks to Xingxin's help):
 - From: "once_densified_once-fotmat_offset0_wo_info"
 - generated: "once_densifed_kitti-format_offset1.25_w_info"
 - Experiment: "once_densifed(MFD)_kitti-format_offset1.25" → current best Naive DA

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Model Free Densification

- Dec 8 (Wednesday)
 - Add bar for once without rotation (from Aich's slides)
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- Dec 9-10 (Thursday & Friday)
 - To compare with results from Mrigank, we repeat Experiments using Best Checkpoint:
 - 1. Train on ONCE_MFD | evaluate on M2
 - 2. Train on ONCE_MFD, finetune on M2 | evaluate on M2
 - 3. Train on ONCE_MFD, finetune on M2_MFD | evaluate on M2_MFD
 - 4. Train on ONCE_MFD, finetune on M2_MFD | evaluate on M2_MFD

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 - Max_Point_Per_Voxel (MPPV) = 5, 10,15
- Upper Bound Experiment:
 - Want to see if the model can replicate the performance on the sparse data with the dense data

- In Progress:

- MFD parameter experiment (optimize the hyper-parameters)
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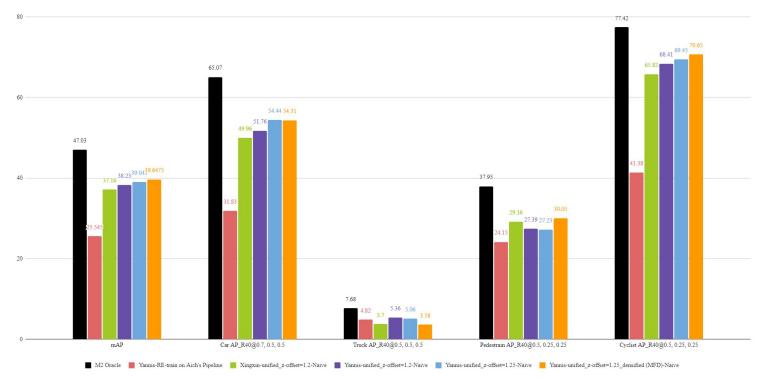
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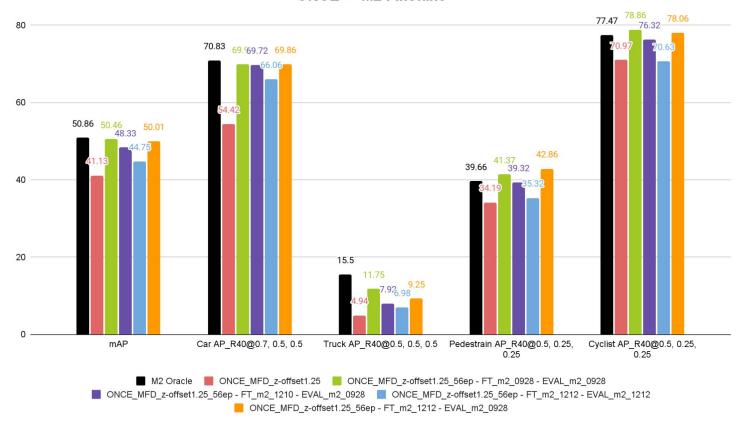
ONCE -> M2 Naive DA (all using 80th epoch)



Conclusion:

- 1. For ONCE \rightarrow M2: add z_offset=1.25 is the best
- 2. Densification on source dataset increase performance (specially for small objects, i.e. pedestrian & cyclist)

ONCE -> M2 Finetune



Note: M2_0928: sparse m2_1212: dense

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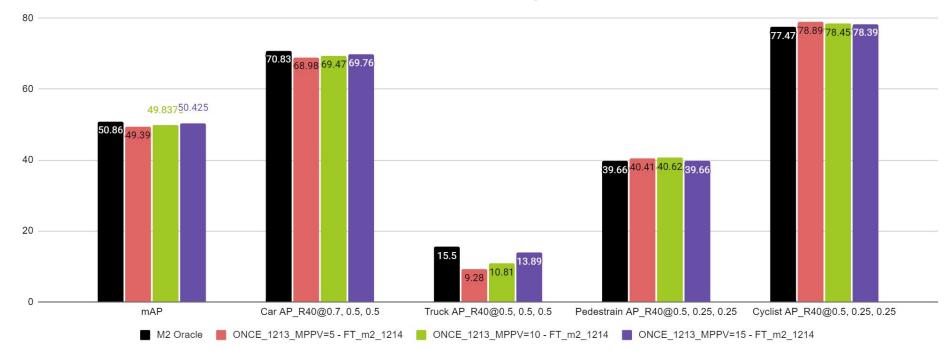
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Max Point Per Voxel Experiment



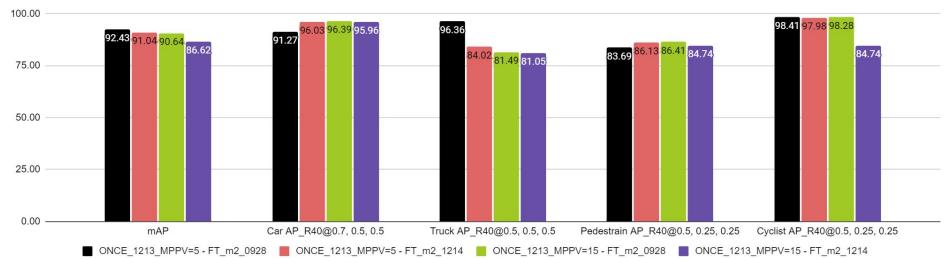
Note:

- Default value: 5
- Average densification: approx. 3 times more points

Conclusion:

- 1. For ONCE \rightarrow M2: for densified dataset: MPPV=15 has best performance
- 2. $5 \rightarrow 15 \Rightarrow$ matching the 3 times densification

Upper Bound Experiment



Note:

- Train & evaluate on the Validation set
- Purpose: Want to see if the model can replicate the performance on the sparse data with the dense data
- M2_0928: sparse | M2_1214: dense
- ONCE_1213: dense

Conclusion:

- In general: Train on dense ONCE, then finetune on M2 sparse has a higher performance (Black vs Pink, green vs purple)
- Reasoning: M2 was originally dense. By densifying ONCE, we are being the source domain closer to target domain (m2_sparse)

LR	mAP	Car	Truck	Pedestrian	Cyclist
Oracle	50.86	70.83	15.5	39.66	77.47
3e-3	50.42	69.76	13.89	39.66	78.39
3e-4	TODO	TODO	TODO	TODO	TODO
3e-5	TODO	TODO	TODO	TODO	TODO

Experimented Setting:

- Variable:
 - learning rate (LR)
- Fixed:
 - Train: ONCE_dense (offset = 1.25)
 - Finetune: M2 dense
 - MPPV = 15

Conclusion:

- TODO

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- Done:
 - Data processing:
 - Clean data
 - Convert to unified format
 - Generate info files
 - Documentation: README.md

- In Progress:

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 - MFD parameter experiment (optimize the hyper-parameters)
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- Dec 20 (Monday)
 - Data processing:
 - Clean data frames that has unreasonable dimensions
 - Add offset & rotation
 - Generate info files
 - New data:

Name	once:m2 mean#points ratio	Note
m2_0928_clean	1	Baseline: cleaned undensified m2 dataset
once-offset-1.25-clean	1.25	Baseline: cleaned undensified once dataset in kitti format
once_1220_sub2	0.72	Model-free-densification subsampling #2 with clean frames
once_1220_sub3	0.83	Model-free-densification subsampling #3 with clean frames
once_1220_sub4	0.91	Model-free-densification subsampling #4 with clean frames



Dec 20 (Monday) (cont')

- Experiment TODO:
 - **Baseline:**
 - Trained on cleaned once \rightarrow

#	Train	Finetune	Eval			
Baseline						
1,2,3	Cleaned once_1220_sub 2,3,4 with MPPV = 8	Cleaned m2_0928	Cleaned m2_0928			
Parameter Tuning: LR						
4,5,6	Cleaned once_1220_sub_best with MPPV = 8	Cleaned m2_0928, lr = 3e-3,4,5	Cleaned m2_0928			
Parameter Tuning:						

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