Week 18: Trends of deep learning

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- So in each training iteration, training set consists of two small subsets $\{(x_i, y_i)\}$ and $\{(\tilde{x}_j, \tilde{y}_j)\}$.
- Over iterations: training sets may be from different classes.

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- So meta-classifier training is to find the optimal $f(\cdot)$ and $g(\cdot)$ by minimizing the prediction error of the classifier

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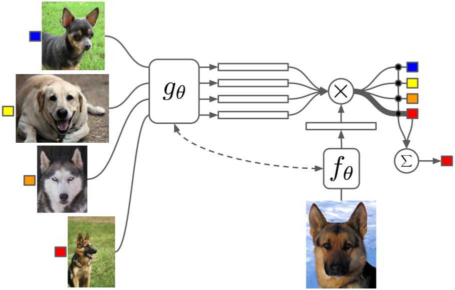
on training set $\{\{(x_i, y_i)\}, \{(\hat{x}_j, \hat{y}_j)\}\}$ over iterations.



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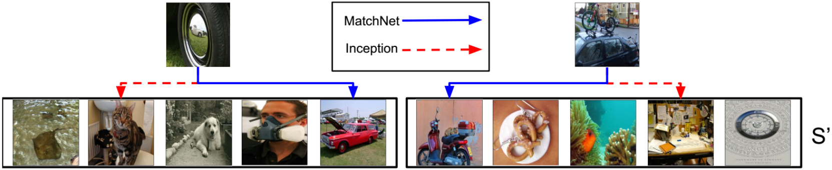

Matching network: result

- The proposed method outperforms all others on Omniglot (below) and mini-ImageNet (not shown)!

Model	Matching Fn	Fine Tune	5-way Acc		20-way Acc	
			1-shot	5-shot	1-shot	5-shot
PIXELS	Cosine	N	41.7%	63.2%	26.7%	42.6%
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BASELINE CLASSIFIER	Softmax	Y	86.0%	97.6%	72.9%	92.3%
MANN (NO CONV) [21]	Cosine	N	82.8%	94.9%	–	–
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Note: ‘Baseline classifier’: trained on all training data, then extract feature from last conv layer for attention module.

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- Meta-gradient update involves a gradient through gradient

Algorithm 1 Model-Agnostic Meta-Learning

Require: $p(\mathcal{T})$: distribution over tasks
Require: α, β: step size hyperparameters

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randomly initialize θ
while not done do
    Sample batch of tasks T_i ~ p(T)
    for all T_i do
        Evaluate ∇_θ L_{T_i}(f_θ) with respect to K examples
        Compute adapted parameters with gradient descent: θ'_i = θ − α∇_θ L_{T_i}(f_θ)
    end for
    Update θ ← θ − β∇_θ Σ_{T_i~p(T)} L_{T_i}(f_{θ'_i})
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MiniImagenet (Ravi & Larochelle, 2017)	5-way Accuracy 1-shot	5-way Accuracy 5-shot
fine-tuning baseline	$28.86 \pm 0.54\%$	$49.79 \pm 0.79\%$
nearest neighbor baseline	$41.08 \pm 0.70\%$	$51.04 \pm 0.65\%$
matching nets (Vinyals et al., 2016)	$43.56 \pm 0.84\%$	$55.31 \pm 0.73\%$
meta-learner LSTM (Ravi & Larochelle, 2017)	$43.44 \pm 0.77\%$	$60.60 \pm 0.71\%$
MAML, first order approx. (ours)	$\mathbf{48.07} \pm \mathbf{1.75\%}$	$\mathbf{63.15} \pm \mathbf{0.91\%}$
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Lifelong learning: another limitation

We learn new knowledge without forgetting old!

But AI catastrophically forgets old!

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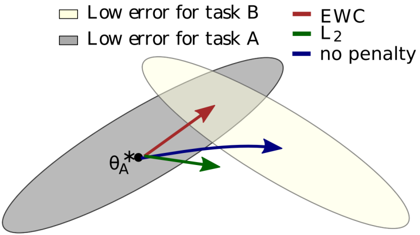
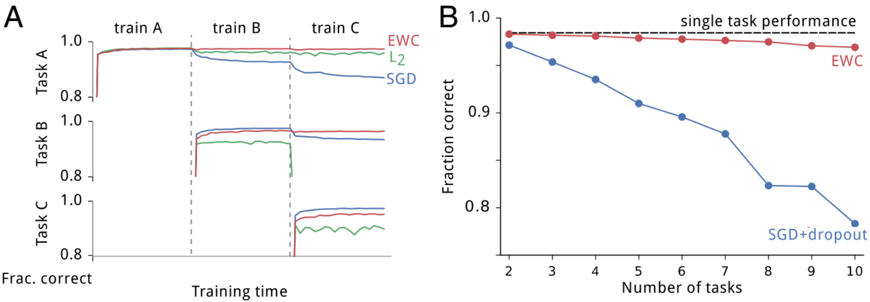
$$\mathcal{L}(\theta) = \mathcal{L}_B(\theta) + \sum_i \frac{\lambda}{2} F_i (\theta_i - \theta^*_{A,i})^2$$

- Fisher-weighted regularization helps update model parameters (red arrow) good for both previous task A and new task B.



EWC: result

- On MNIST, with EWC: classifier does not degrade on current and previous tasks
- Blue curve: updating model by just focuing on current task



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$$\Omega_{ij} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} || \, g_{ij}(x_k) \, ||$$

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- Loss is similar to EWC, except the importance parameter

$$L(\theta) = L_{new}(\theta) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{i,j} \Omega_{ij}(\theta_{ij} - \theta^*_{ij})^2$$

- Data label is not necessary when computing Ω_{ij}, so Ω_{ij} can be updated on any available data (without corresponding labels).
- Both this method and EWC focus on model parameters.
- Another idea: somehow get 'data' of previous tasks!

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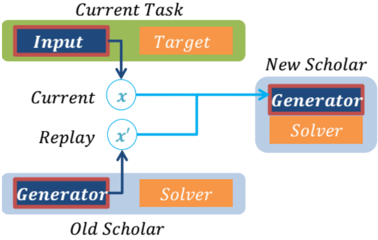

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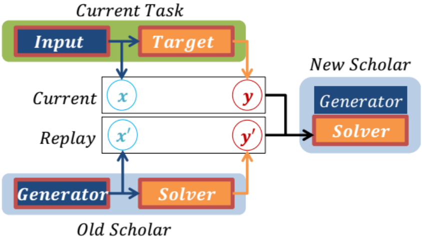

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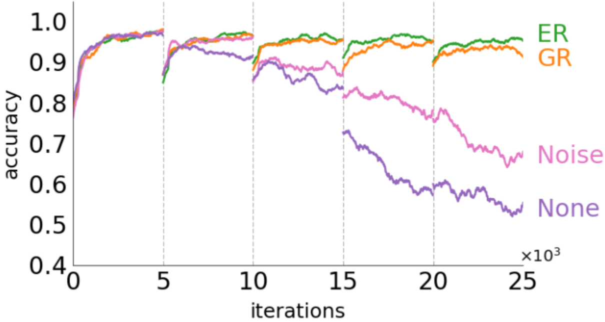
- On MNIST, 5 tasks, continuously learning to recognize new classes of digits; test on all tasks' (test) data
- Similar performance between ER and GR



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- 'Noise': using un-realistic synthetic data for replay

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