

# Matching Feature Sets for Few-Shot Image Classification

## Supplementary Materials

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<https://lvsn.github.io/SetFeat/>

In this supplementary material, the following items are provided:

1. Dataset and backbone specifications(sec. 1);
2. Ablation with more ways and cross-domain results from miniImageNet  $\mapsto$  CUB (sec. 2);
3. Visualizing mappers saliency (sec. 3);
4. Class structure in cluster (sec. 4);
5. Hausdorff distance ablation (sec. 5);

## 1. Dataset and backbone specifications

Table tab. 1 present the detailed specification of dataset, and and Table tab. 2 specifies the number of overall parameters in our set feature SetFeat extractor compared to the popular backbones used in the few-shot image classification literature.

Table 1. Specifications of miniImageNet, tieredImageNet and CUB.

Dataset	Number of examples	Source	Splits(train/val/test)	Split Reference
MiniImageNet	60,000	ImageNet <sup>†</sup> [6]	64/16/20	Vinyals <i>et al.</i> [9]
TieredImageNet	779,165	ImageNet <sup>†</sup> [6]	351/97/160	Ren <i>et al.</i> [5]
CUB	11,788	CUB-200-2011* [10]	100/50/50	Chen <i>et al.</i> [2]

<sup>†</sup> <https://www.image-net.org/>

\* <http://www.vision.caltech.edu/visipedia/CUB-200-2011.html>

Table 2. Number of parameters for various backbones, compared with our SetFeat implementations (in blue). Blocks column illustrates the number of parameters in all the convolution layers. Mappers column shows the number of parameters in 10 employed mappers in SetFeat.

Backbone	Blocks	Mappers	Total
Conv4-64	0.113 M	–	0.113 M
SetFeat4-64	0.113 M	0.124 M	0.238 M
Conv4-512	1.591 M	–	1.591 M
SetFeat4-512	0.587 M	0.996 M	1.583 M
ResNet18	11.511 M	–	11.511 M
SetFeat12*	6.977 M	4.489 M	11.466 M
ResNet12	12.424 M	–	12.424 M
SetFeat12	7.447 M	4.902 M	12.349 M

## 2. Ablation with more ways and cross-domain results from miniImageNet $\mapsto$ CUB

Tab. 3 shows 5-way, 10-way, and 20-way comparisons of SetFeat12\* and SetFeat12 with ResNet18 and ResNet12, respectively. As illustrated in creftab:backboneparameters and mentioned in sec. 5.3 of the main paper, SetFeat12\* (11.466M parameters) is the counterpart of ResNet18 (11.511M parameters).

Tab. 3 shows that SetFeat with the sum-min metric (eq. (5) from the main paper) achieves state-of-the-art results in 5-shot for all of 5-, 10- and 20-way classification. Notably, SetFeat12\* and SetFeat12 gain 6.18% and 2.84% over MixtFSL [1] in 5-way, respectively. Additionally, last column of tab. 3 shows cross domain adaptation, where we pre-train our model on miniImageNet and test on the CUB dataset. Here, our SetFeat12\* obtains the second best and is 0.92% below MixtFSL [1].

Table 3.  $N$ -way 5-shot classification results on miniImageNet using ResNet and SetFeat.  $\pm$  denotes the 95% confidence intervals over 600 episodes. The best results prior to this work is highlighted in red, and the best results are presented in boldface.

Method	Backbone	5-way	miniImageNet 10-way	20-way	miniImageNet $\rightarrow$ CUB 5-way
MatchingNet <sup>‡</sup> [9]	ResNet18	68.88 $\pm$ 0.69	52.27 $\pm$ 0.46	36.78 $\pm$ 0.25	–
Neg-Margin <sup>‡</sup> [4]		–	–	–	67.03 $\pm$ 0.80
ProtoNet <sup>‡</sup> [7]		73.68 $\pm$ 0.65	59.22 $\pm$ 0.44	44.96 $\pm$ 0.26	62.02 $\pm$ 0.70
RelationNet <sup>‡</sup> [8]		69.83 $\pm$ 0.68	53.88 $\pm$ 0.48	39.17 $\pm$ 0.25	57.71 $\pm$ 0.70
Baseline [2]		74.27 $\pm$ 0.63	55.00 $\pm$ 0.46	42.03 $\pm$ 0.25	65.57 $\pm$ 0.25
Baseline++ [2]		75.68 $\pm$ 0.63	63.40 $\pm$ 0.44	50.85 $\pm$ 0.25	64.38 $\pm$ 0.90
Pos-Margin [1]		76.62 $\pm$ 0.58	62.95 $\pm$ 0.83	51.92 $\pm$ 1.02	64.93 $\pm$ 1.00
MixtFSL [1]		<b>77.76</b> $\pm$ 0.58	<b>64.18</b> $\pm$ 0.76	<b>53.15</b> $\pm$ 0.71	<b>68.77</b> $\pm$ 0.90
Sum-min (ours)		SetFeat12*	<b>81.22</b> $\pm$ 0.45	<b>70.36</b> $\pm$ 0.46	<b>57.36</b> $\pm$ 0.36
MixtFSL [1]	ResNet12	<b>82.04</b> $\pm$ 0.49	<b>68.26</b> $\pm$ 0.71	<b>55.41</b> $\pm$ 0.71	–
Sum-min (ours)	SetFeat12	<b>82.71</b> $\pm$ 0.46	<b>71.10</b> $\pm$ 0.46	<b>57.97</b> $\pm$ 0.36	–

<sup>‡</sup> implementation from [2]

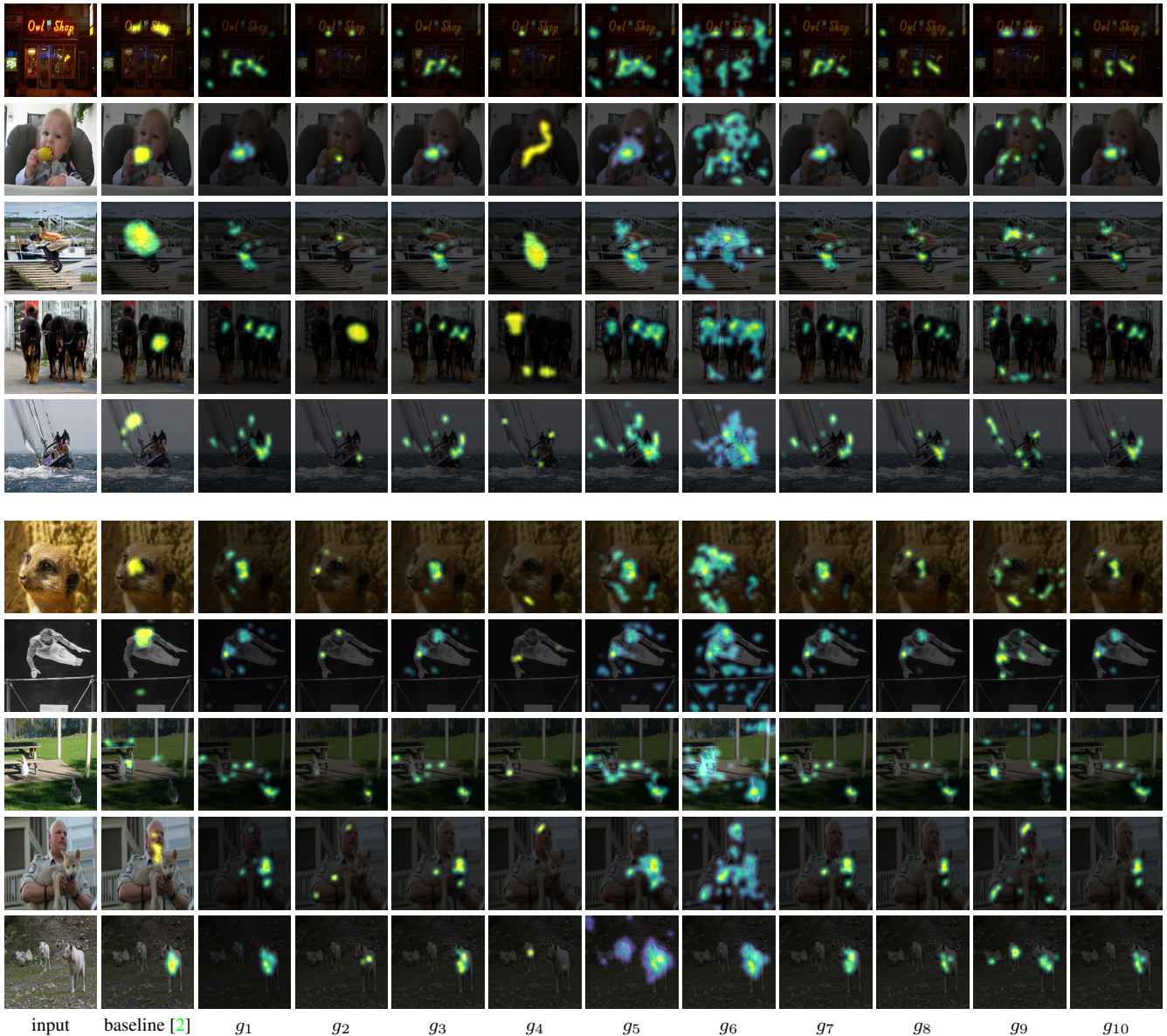


Figure 1. Gradient saliency maps after training SetFeat12 on miniImageNet. From left: input image, baseline [2] trained with ResNet12, and 10 different mappers from our SetFeat12 ( $g_i$  is the  $i$ -th mapper). The first five rows show examples from the training dataset, and the last five are from the validation set of miniImageNet.

### 3. Visualizing mappers saliency

Figs. 1 and 2 compare the gradient saliency maps of SetFeat12 and SetFeat4-64 using our sum-min metric with ResNet12 and Conv4-64 using “baseline” from [3]. Here SetFeat4-64 uses an FC-layer to compute mappers, while SetFeat12 uses a convolutional layer to do so. As shown in the figures, different mappers focus on different regions of the input image.

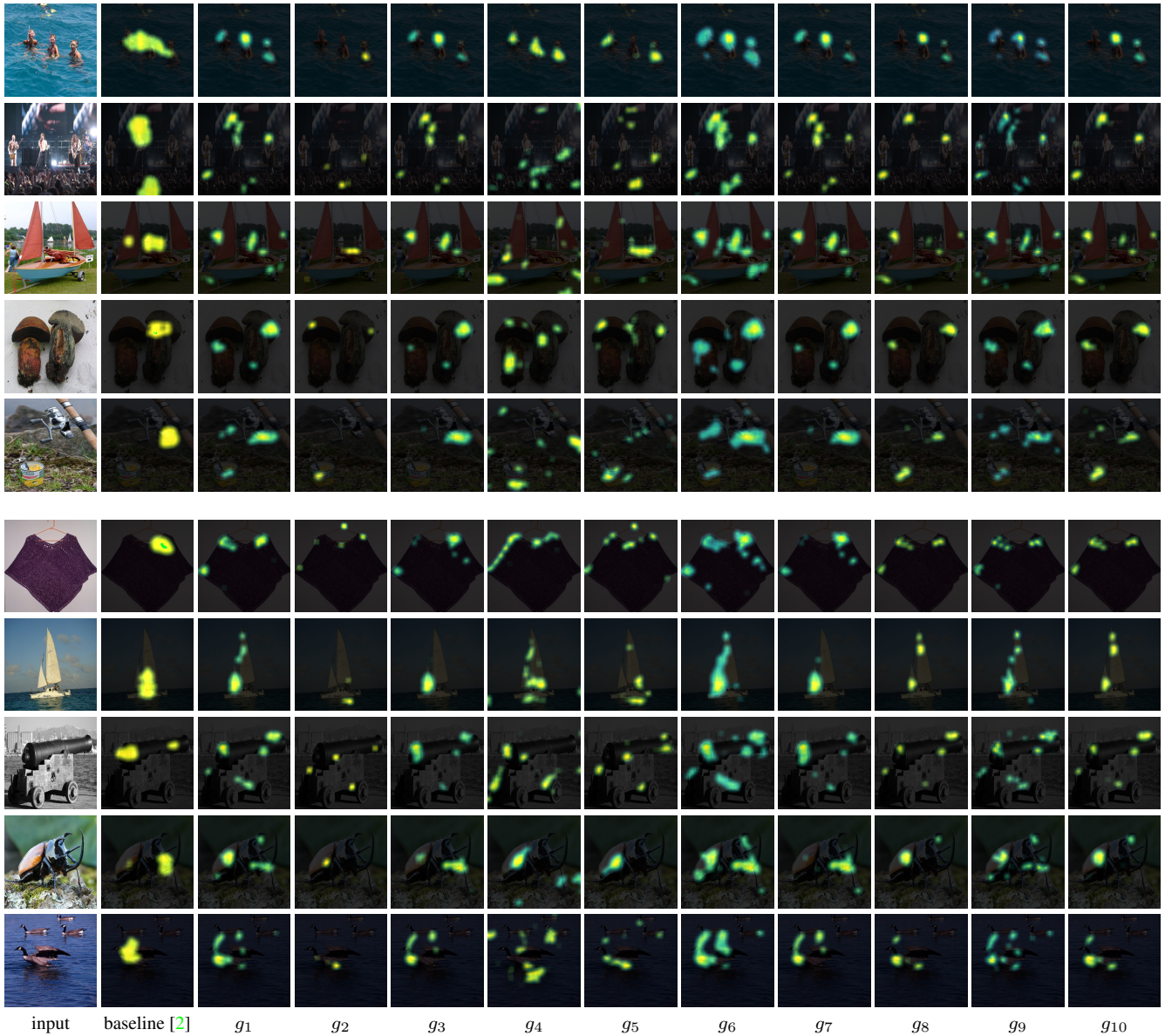


Figure 2. Gradient saliency maps after training SetFeat4-64 on miniImageNet. From left: input image, baseline [2] trained with Conv4-64, and 10 different mappers from our SetFeat4-64 ( $g_i$  is the  $i$ -th mapper). The first five rows show examples from the training dataset, and the last five are from the validation set of miniImageNet.

#### 4. Class structure in cluster

Fig. 3 shows that tSNE for each mapper independently exhibits the expected class structure for both validation (top row) and train (bottom row) sets. Since tSNE applied over all mappers jointly **on the validation set in fig. 4 of paper**, the largest variation (across mappers) is captured.

#### 5. Hausdorff distance ablation

Our matching feature set work can be extended to other set distances. Tab. 4 presents our method with Hausdorff (in blue) compared to our Sum-min for both miniIN and CUB.

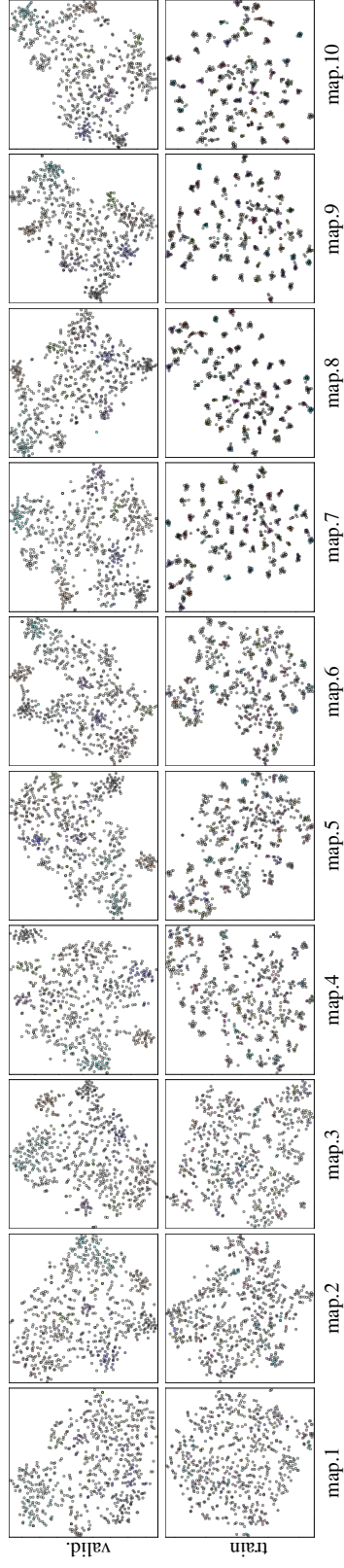


Figure 3. tSNE of miniIN's 640 samples of 64 train and 16 valid. classes (color-coded) by SF12 mappers separately (columns).

Table 4. MiniIN (from Table 1) and CUB (from Table 3) by SF4-64 plus blue.

	<b>config.</b>	<b>1-shot</b>	<b>5-shot</b>
miIN	Sum-min	<b>57.18</b>	<b>73.67</b>
	Hausdorff	56.07	72.32
CUB	Sum-min	<b>72.09</b>	<b>87.05</b>
	Hausdorff	70.20	84.85

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