

Task-Adaptive Negative Envision for Few-Shot Open-Set Recognition

Supplementary Materials

1. Baseline Implementations

We implement some of the baseline methods, which are marked with * in the main paper. For fair comparison, all the re-implemented methods use the same feature extractor (ResNet12) as ours, which is first pre-trained on the base set.

Dynamic: Our ATT-G and SEMAN-G negative generators are built upon Dynamic [10]. Dynamic [10] calibrates few-shot prototypes using base class classifier. We re-implemented Dynamic using the standard Transformer attention block. We compare this baseline in Tab. 3 in the main paper for GFSOR performance (i.e., DynamicFSL), where we calculate its accuracy in the normal way, while for AUROC, we take $\operatorname{argmax}_{y \in \mathcal{C}^f \cup \mathcal{C}^*} p(x|y)$ as the rejection score. We also evaluate its performance on CIFAR-FS and FC-100 in Tab. 6, where we take $\operatorname{argmax}_{y \in \mathcal{C}^f} p(x|y)$ as the rejection score.

PEELER: Our training and sampling strategy are built upon PEELER [24], and hence pick it as one threshold-based method for comparison in Fig. 3 and Tab. 1. In detail, we implement PEELER using our pre-trained feature extractor, and then perform meta-training with PEELER’s open-set loss. Then rejection score is calculated as $\operatorname{argmax}_{y \in \mathcal{C}^f} p(x|y)$.

Dynamic+PEELER. To compare to ATT-G more fairly, we combine PEELER with Dynamic as another threshold-based approach in Fig. 3 and Tab. 1. Specifically, we use PEELER’s loss and training strategy on top of the calibrated few-shot prototypes. Then the rejection score is calculated as $\operatorname{argmax}_{y \in \mathcal{C}^f} p(x|y)$.

CounterFactual. CounterFactual [27] is a generative open-set recognition method. To apply in our FSOR setting, we first train the GAN network on base set and use the support set \mathcal{S} to synthesize fake images. The averaged fake image feature is used as the negative prototype for open-set recognition.

OpenMax [1]. For experiments on CIFAR-FS and FC100, we follow [20] to fit Weibull models over training tasks using the predicted class scores (i.e., logits). Then the mean activation vectors are used for negative detection.

2. Dataset Descriptions

For the brevity of description, we follow the order { base, novel (validation), novel (testing) } to describe the class splits. The base class split is for training the few-shot model. We use the novel (validation) class split for model selection, and report the evaluation results on the novel (testing) class split.

MiniImageNet [43] and **TieredImageNet** [33] are two subsets of ImageNet-1k [4]. MiniImageNet contains 100 object classes and each class contains 600 images. The 100 classes are split into (64, 16, 20). TieredImageNet contains the full set of 608 object classes. The 608 classes are split into (351, 97, 160). All the images are resized to 84×84 . TieredImageNet offers more challenging class splits than MiniImageNet that are based on object class hierarchy. In our experiment, we use both datasets to evaluate FSOR tasks, and use MiniImageNet to additionally evaluate GFSOR tasks. Specifically, MiniImageNet offers additional 300 base-class images for testing. For GFSOR evaluation, we use this base-class test split to sample base-class positive queries.

CIFAR-FS [2] and **FC100** [29] are two different splits of CIFAR100 [?] with 100 object classes and each class has 600 images. The images are at a resolution of 32×32 . CIFAR-FS [2] has the class splits (64,16,20), while FC100 [29] has the class splits (60,20,20). In particular, FC100 offers more challenging class splits that are based on object class hierarchy. We use both datasets to further evaluate FSOR tasks.

3. Figure Details

For Fig. 1, we sample two tasks from MiniImageNet. Within each task, we sample three few-shot classes and select one training sample to estimate class prototype for each class. We then select another three classes whose samples are used as negative queries in both tasks. In Fig. 1(up), for each class, we calculate the cosine similarity score as detection score between the class prototype and all of its positive queries. The mean and standard deviation of detection scores are represented by the height of bar and half length of black line respectively. Similarly, we calculate the cosine

Table S1. Summary of Symbol Notation

Variable	Definition	Note
\mathcal{T}	a few-shot open-set recognition task	
\mathcal{T}^*	a generalized few-shot open-set recognition task	
\mathcal{C}^f	the set of few-shot classes	
\mathcal{C}^*	the set of many-shot classes	
\mathcal{C}^n	the set of negative classes (simulate unknown sources)	
$\mathcal{C}^B/\mathcal{C}^N$	base/novel class set	class split in experiment
$\mathcal{D}^B/\mathcal{D}^N$	base/novel class dataset	dataset split in experiment
\mathcal{S}	training samples (support) set of few-shot classes	
\mathcal{S}_c	training samples (support) set of few-shot class c	(character sub-index)
$\mathcal{Q}^f/\mathcal{Q}^*/\mathcal{Q}^n$	testing samples (query) set of few-shot/many-shot/negative classes	
\mathbf{P}^f	few-shot prototype vectors (average the support feature vectors)	
\mathbf{P}^*	many-shot prototype vectors (classifier weights after pretraining)	
$\mathbf{Z}^f/\mathbf{Z}^*$	semantic-visual vectors for few/many-shot classes	
\mathbf{p}_c	a prototype feature of class c	
\mathbf{p}^-	a negative prototype feature	
\mathbf{e}_c	word embedding (semantic representation) of class c	
\mathbf{z}_c	semantic-visual vector for class c	concatenate \mathbf{p}_c and \mathbf{e}_c
$\mathbf{K}_q, \mathbf{K}_k, \mathbf{K}_v$	learnable kernels for attention calculation	
$\mathbf{A}_{((x,y))}$	the unnormalized attention weights between x and y	
s	a support sample	
q	a query sample	its label is y_q
f	feature extractor function, extract one feature vector for each image	
f_s	distance function, calculate similarity between two feature vectors	
f_n	an MLP for negative prototype generation	
f_g	gating function used in ATT-G and SEMAN-G	
g_n	general representation for the negative prototype generation function	$g_{n,i}$ the i -th function
θ_m	manual threshold for negative query detection	
θ_a	automatic/task-adaptive threshold	$\theta_{a,i}$ the i -th threshold
τ	a margin between rejection score and positive detection scores	the margin value is positive
\odot	element-wise multiplication	
ϕ	element-wise sigmoid operation	
σ	row-wise softmax operation	

Note: the numerical sub-index used in the paper is for the definition of conjugate tasks and their related calculation

similarity between the prototype and all negative queries, and calculate the mean and standard deviation. Within Fig. 1(down), for each subplot, we plot a circle centered at a negative query and the negative query will be classified as a

positive class if a few-shot class prototype is in the circle.

Table S2. 5-way FSOR results CIFAR-FS. *: our implementation.

Algorithm	1-shot		5-shot	
	Acc	AUROC	Acc	AUROC
OpenMax [1]*	71.65±0.65	50.21±0.07	85.66±0.48	75.78±0.47
CounterFactual [27]*	71.71±0.65	72.57±0.61	85.71±0.45	80.44±0.37
PEELER [24]*	71.47±0.67	71.28±0.57	85.46±0.47	75.97±0.33
Dynamic [10]*	71.56±0.67	66.89±0.52	85.78±0.49	76.03±0.37
ATT-G (ours)	72.43±0.65	76.72±0.59	86.52±0.49	84.64±0.38
SEMAN-G (ours)	74.55±0.65	78.10±0.58	86.71±0.47	86.47±0.37

Table S3. 5-way FSOR results on FC100. *: our implementation.

Algorithm	1-shot		5-shot	
	Acc	AUROC	Acc	AUROC
OpenMax [1]*	44.70±0.60	50.10±0.11	60.11±0.62	57.78±0.44
CounterFactual [27]*	44.53±0.60	57.20±0.47	61.12±0.60	62.35±0.45
PEELER [24]*	44.45±0.57	55.86±0.44	60.86±0.59	61.07±0.40
Dynamic [10]*	44.88±0.59	55.62±0.54	60.45±0.61	59.01±0.52
ATT-G (ours)	45.11±0.60	59.55±0.57	61.18±0.61	63.34±0.50
SEMAN-G (ours)	46.01±0.60	59.73±0.53	62.18±0.57	64.46±0.50

4. Terminology & Symbol Summary

Throughout the paper explanation, we interchangeably use the terms *unknown* and *negative*, *known* and *positive*. The *unknown* source is simulated by selecting negative classes.

During meta-training, we build a FSOR task by sampling \mathcal{C}^f and \mathcal{C}^n from \mathcal{C}^B where $\mathcal{C}^n \cap \mathcal{C}^f = \emptyset$. To build a GFSOR task, we split the \mathcal{C}^B into \mathcal{C}^f , \mathcal{C}^n and \mathcal{C}^* , e.g., on MiniImagenet, to sample a 5-way GFSOR task \mathcal{T}^* , we have $|\mathcal{C}^*| = 54$ while $|\mathcal{C}^n| = |\mathcal{C}^f| = 5$.

During meta-testing, we sample \mathcal{C}^f and \mathcal{C}^n from novel classes \mathcal{C}^N where $\mathcal{C}^N \cap \mathcal{C}^B = \emptyset$. As such, we use \mathcal{C}^B as \mathcal{C}^* and thus interchangeably use the term base classes and many-shot classes.

We summarize the symbols in Table. S1.

5. More Experiments

We extend Table 5&6 in the main paper and provide the full results on CIFAR-FS and FC100 in Table S2&S3 respectively.

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