# Exploring Data Geometry for Continual Learning Supplementary Materials

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| Size of $\mathcal{B}$ | Method    | T200-B0-S10      |  |
|-----------------------|-----------|------------------|--|
|                       | ER [8]    | $8.79 \pm 0.21$  |  |
|                       | AGEM [5]  | $8.28\pm0.15$    |  |
|                       | iCaRL [7] | $8.64\pm0.78$    |  |
| 200                   | FDR [2]   | $8.77 \pm 0.82$  |  |
|                       | DER++ [3] | $11.16\pm0.95$   |  |
|                       | ERT [4]   | $10.85\pm0.24$   |  |
|                       | RM [1]    | $13.58 \pm 1.07$ |  |
|                       | Ours      | $14.45 \pm 0.85$ |  |

Table 1. Accuracy (%) of the C100-B0-S5, C100-B0-S10, C100-B0-S20, and T200-B0-S10 settings.

# 1. More Comparison

We further evaluate our method the T200-B0-S10 setting using the Tiny-ImageNet dataset. We set the size of the memory buffer as 200. Results are shown in Tab. 1. Our method achieves good performance again.

## 2. Anaylsis of Submanifold Pool

In our method, we constructed the submanifold pool before training. We first pre-define the dimension of constant curvature spaces (CCSs). For simplicity, we then sequentially sample CCSs for the submanifold pool. Take CCSs with the dimension of 16 as an example, the first CCS uses dimensions 1 - 16, and the second one uses dimensions 17 - 32. Here, we evaluate the performance of our method with different numbers of CCSs for the submanifold pool. Concretely, we conduct the following settings.

(1) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 16. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{16} = 32$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

(2) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 32. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{32} = 16$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

(3) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 64. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{64} = 8$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

(4) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 128. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{128} = 4$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

(5) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 256. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{256} = 2$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

(6) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 128 and 256. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{128} + \frac{512}{256} = 6$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

(7) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 64, 128, and 256. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{64} + \frac{512}{128} + \frac{512}{256} = 14$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

(8) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 32, 64, 128, and 256. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{32} + \frac{512}{64} + \frac{512}{128} + \frac{512}{256} = 30$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

(9) We sample CCSs with the dimension of 16, 32, 64, 128, and 256. Thus, there are  $\frac{512}{16} + \frac{512}{32} + \frac{512}{64} + \frac{512}{128} + \frac{512}{256} = 62$  CCSs in the submanifold pool totally.

We conduct experiments using the CIFAR-100 dataset, on the C100-B50-S5, C100-B50-S10, and C100-B40-S20 settings. Results are shown in Tab. 2. d' denotes the used dimensions of CSSs, and m means the number of CSSs in the submanifold pool. We observe that diverse CCSs in the submanifold pool lead to better performance.

## **3.** Hyperparameter Analysis

In this section, we further evaluate the trade-off hyperparameters  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  for the angular-regularization loss and the neighbor-robustness loss. Due to the page limitation, we simply set  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$  in the manuscript. Here, we conduct more experiments to evaluate  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  in the range of

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| Method                            | C100-B50-S5 | C100-B50-S10 | C100-B40-S20 |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| d' = 16, m = 32                   | 45.87       | 52.68        | 53.34        |
| d' = 32, m = 16                   | 44.8        | 53.07        | 54.17        |
| d' = 64, m = 8                    | 44.54       | 52.27        | 52.03        |
| d' = 128, m = 4                   | 44.52       | 53.61        | 53.48        |
| d' = 256, m = 2                   | 45.74       | 51.95        | 53.22        |
| d' = 128, 256, m = 6              | 46.77       | 53.5         | 55.10        |
| d' = 64, 128, 256, m = 14         | 47.26       | 53.86        | 54.75        |
| d' = 32, 64, 128, 256, m = 30     | 48.41       | 53.97        | 55.46        |
| d' = 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, m = 62 | 56.03       | 54.31        | 49.32        |

Table 2. Anaylsis of submanifold pool on the C100-B50-S5, C100-B50-S10, and C100-B40-S20 settings.

| $\lambda_2$ $\lambda_1$ | 0.001 | 0.01  | 0.1   | 1     | 10    |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0.001                   | 51.8  | 52.37 | 52.6  | 51.76 | 47.51 |
| 0.01                    | 52.53 | 52.87 | 52.70 | 53.20 | 51.34 |
| 0.1                     | 52.72 | 53.41 | 52.70 | 53.50 | 53.28 |
| 1                       | 55.19 | 54.64 | 56.03 | 54.34 | 50.59 |
| 10                      | 52.23 | 53.25 | 53.01 | 52.90 | 52.16 |

| Table 3. Accuracy | (%) of | the C100- | B50-S5 | setting |
|-------------------|--------|-----------|--------|---------|
|-------------------|--------|-----------|--------|---------|

| $\lambda_2$ $\lambda_1$ | 0.001 | 0.01  | 0.1   | 1     | 10    |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 0.001                   | 49.51 | 50.42 | 50.44 | 50.86 | 48.46 |
| 0.01                    | 51.4  | 51.43 | 50.16 | 50.81 | 48.74 |
| 0.1                     | 53.07 | 51.82 | 51.94 | 52.47 | 52.09 |
| 1                       | 53.74 | 53.89 | 54.31 | 54.29 | 51.99 |
| 10                      | 50.95 | 51.53 | 51.38 | 51.30 | 51.37 |

Table 4. Accuracy (%) of the C100-B50-S10 setting.

[0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10] on the C100-B50-S10 setting. Results are shown in Tab. 3 and Tab. 4. The best performance is achieved when  $\lambda_1 = 1$  and  $\lambda_2 = 0.1$ .

#### 4. Visualization

In this section, we visualize the geometric structures and the mixed-curvature space in the continual learning process. Some examples are shown in Fig. 1, Fig. 2, and Fig. 3. We observe that our method can well preserve geometric structures of data, and prevent forgetting of old data.

#### 5. Selected Submanifolds

In this section, we show selected submanifolds in the C100-B50-S10 setting, including the number, curvature, and dimension of selected submanifolds. As shown in Section 5.1 of the manuscript, the dimensions of CCSs in the submanifold pool are 16, 32, 64, 128, and 256, and there are 62 submanifolds totally. In the 11 steps of the C100-B50-S10 setting (the first step is used to pre-train the model, and there are 10 following steps), the mixed-curvature spaces in our method are constructed in Tab. 5, where  $K^+$  denotes a positive curvature and  $K^-$  denotes a negative curvature. We observe an interesting phenomenon. In the beginning, few

data is provided, and CCSs of low-dimension with positive curvatures are selected. Then, when more and more data comes, CCSs of high-dimension with negative curvatures are selected. This may show that few data tends to have cyclical structures, while more data tends to have complex hierarchical structures.

# 6. Hyperparameter Analysis

We conduct experiments to further evaluate the proposed two loss functions that alleviates catastrophic forgetting by preserving geometric structures. They have two trade-off hyperparameters that need to be tuned:  $\lambda_1$  for the angularregularization loss and  $\lambda_2$  for the neighbor-robustness loss. In implementation, we set  $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2$  and tune them in the range of [0.001, 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10]. We conduct the experiment on the CIFAR-100 dataset, and report the mean of accuracies of all data, old data, and new data over all steps in the data stream. Results are shown in Tab. 6. We observe that with the increase of  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ , the accuracy of total data first increases and then decreases, and a good balance is achieved when  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  are set around 1. Larger  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  lead to higher accuracy on the old data, while they may decrease the performance of new data.

We compare the scheme of preserving geometric structures with conventional used regularization schemes, *i.e.*, preserving the representation unchanged [6,9]. In doing so, we replace the two geometric structure preserving loss functions with a representation preserving loss function. We apply a trade-off hyperparameter  $\lambda$  to the loss function and tune  $\lambda$  to achieve the best performance. Experimental results in Tab. 7 shows the effectiveness of the proposed two geometric structure preserving loss functions.

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Figure 1. An example of structures of data in the CIFAR-100 dataset.



Figure 2. An example of structures of data in the CIFAR-100 dataset.





| Step    | Selected constant curvature spaces   |
|---------|--|
| Step 1  | $30 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}$   |
| Step 2  | $31 	imes \mathbb{C}^{16}_{K^+}, 1 	imes \mathbb{C}^{\overline{16}}_{K^-}, 3 	imes \mathbb{C}^{32}_{K^-}$  |
| Step 3  | $31 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 1 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 7 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}$  |
| Step 4  | $31 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 1 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 9 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}$  |
| Step 5  | $31 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 1 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 9 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}, 2 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{64}, 1 	imes \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}$   |
| Step 6  | $31 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 9 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{64}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256}$  |
| Step 7  | $31 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 9 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{64}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{64}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256}$  |
| Step 8  | $   31 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 9 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{64}, 3 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{64}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256}   1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{168}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256}   1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{168}   1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}$ |
| Step 9  | $ 31 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 10 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{64}, 3 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{64}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256} $   |
| Step 10 | $   31 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 10 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{64}, 4 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{64}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256}   1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256}   1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256}   1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}   1 \times C$         |
| Step 11 | $   31 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{16}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{32}, 10 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{32}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{64}, 4 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^-}^{64}, 1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}, 2 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{256}   1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{128}   1 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^$ |

Table 5. Selected CCSs of 11 steps in the C100-B50-S10 setting.  $30 \times \mathbb{C}_{K^+}^{16}$  means 30 8-dimension CCS with positive curvatures.

| Method                          | C100-B50-S5 |         | C100-B50-S10 |           |         | C100-B40-S20 |           |         |         |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---------|--------------|-----------|---------|--------------|-----------|---------|---------|
| Wiethou                         | Total acc   | Old acc | New acc      | Total acc | Old acc | New acc      | Total acc | Old acc | New acc |
| $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0.001$ | 61.35       | 62.92   | 50.70        | 60.81     | 61.26   | 55.18        | 58.62     | 58.20   | 64.22   |
| $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0.01$  | 61.52       | 63.45   | 49.02        | 61.08     | 61.68   | 53.54        | 59.22     | 59.05   | 63.20   |
| $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 0.1$   | 62.04       | 64.08   | 45.98        | 62.92     | 63.71   | 51.88        | 60.44     | 60.45   | 61.30   |
| $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 1$     | 63.18       | 66.03   | 44.06        | 64.01     | 65.82   | 39.78        | 59.75     | 61.08   | 35.25   |
| $\lambda_1 = \lambda_2 = 10$    | 61.56       | 65.56   | 35.90        | 63.43     | 66.10   | 28.64        | 58.66     | 60.24   | 27.73   |

Table 6. Hyperparameter analysis ( $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$ ) of the proposed two loss functions. 'Total acc', 'Old acc', and 'New acc' denote the accuracies of all data, old data, and new data, respectively. Results are obtained by averaging accuracies of all steps in the data stream.

| Method | C100-B50-S5 | C100-B50-S10 | C100-B40-S20 |
|--------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| PR     | 53.87       | 52.86        | 47.63        |
| PGS    | 56.03       | 54.31        | 49.32        |

Table 7. Comparisons between loss functions for preserving geometric structures (PGS) and preserving representation (PR).

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