

Supplementary Material for Hierarchical Supervision and Shuffle Data Augmentation for 3D Semi-Supervised Object Detection

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1. Discuss on Other Augmentation Methods for Point Cloud

The Mixup-based [8] augmentation methods have been extensively studied in the field of image classification and widely applied in 2D semi-supervised object detection [6] task. Following this idea, there have been several explorations in point cloud tasks as well. PointMixup [1] first applied the idea of Mixup to point cloud and achieved linear interpolation through the optimal allocation. Mix3D [3] balances global contextual information and local geometric information to achieve high-performance models. In addition, PointCutMix [9] proposes two different ways of replacing points to mix two point clouds. The latest SageMix explores salient regions in two point clouds and smoothly combines them into a continuous shape. However, these methods mainly focus on point cloud classification and segmentation tasks. For outdoor 3D object detection task, objects are usually naturally separated [5], and merging two point cloud scenes will cause overlaps between objects (*e.g.*, two vehicles are rarely overlapped in 3D reality). Therefore, to the best of our knowledge, the above Mixup-based point cloud augmentation methods cannot be directly applied to detection tasks, which is the direction for our future research.

2. Visualization of Dynamic Dual-Threshold

To better understand the dual-threshold hierarchical supervision in intuitive, we visualize the dynamic threshold changes during the training process in Fig. 1, where a solid line of a certain color represents a high threshold, and the dotted line of the same color represents a low threshold.

3. Additional Experimental Results

(1) Additional experiments on the Waymo Dataset. We additionally test the Voxel-RCNN [2] on 1% of the Waymo [7] dataset, and the results in Tab. 1 still show the superiority of our method, which validates its generalization.

(2) If the shuffle data augmentation (SDA) strategy is also effective for full supervision training ? To verify the effect of the SDA on fully-supervised 3D object detector, we inset the SDA into the PV-RCNN [4] and the results are listed in Tab. 2, which shows that the superiority of SDA in the supervised framework is not as obvious as in the semi-supervised framework. This is due to that the design of the strong augmentation in the student branch module has two main purposes: (1) strong enough to make a significant difference with weakly augmented samples of the teacher branch and (2) not too strong to ensure effective supervision information transmission.

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1% Data ($\sim 1.4k$ scenes)	Veh. (LEVEL 1)	Veh. (LEVEL 2)	Ped. (LEVEL 1)	Ped. (LEVEL 2)	Cyc. (LEVEL 1)	Cyc. (LEVEL 2)
Voxel-RCNN [2]	49.02/48.03	42.36/41.50	41.16/32.81	34.73/27.66	5.84/5.61	5.62/5.40
Ours (Voxel-RCNN-based)	54.89/54.06	48.28/47.53	43.86/37.84	36.59/31.56	17.47/16.73	16.72/16.01

Table 1. Results on the Waymo for the Voxel-RCNN detector

Model	Data	3D Detection (Car)			3D Detection (Ped.)			3D Detection (Cyc.)		
		Easy	Mod	Hard	Easy	Mod	Hard	Easy	Mod	Hard
PV-RCNN [4]	100%	92.10	84.36	82.48	63.12	54.84	51.78	89.10	70.38	66.01
PV-RCNN [4] with SDA	100%	91.91	84.57	82.31	62.83	55.49	51.04	89.68	71.09	66.71

Table 2. Ablation study of SDA in the fully supervised framework.

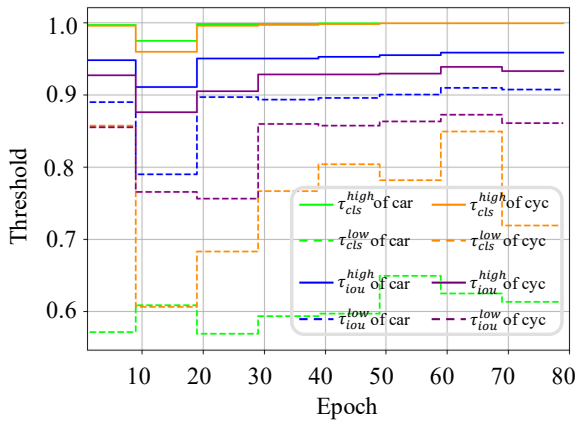


Figure 1. Visualization curve of the dynamic dual-threshold during training

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