

# Cross-category Video Highlight Detection via Set-based Learning

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Table 1. Statistics of the ActivityNet dataset in our experiments.

Split	eat&drink	personal care	household	sport	social	Total
Training	140	186	458	1289	447	2520
Test	65	95	212	672	216	1260

## 1. More Experimental Setups

**Combining SL-module with UDA methods.** For the sake of fair comparison, we combine five Unsupervised Domain Adaptation (UDA) algorithms, *i.e.* DAN [3], DeepCORAL [5], RevGrad [1], MCD [4] and AFN [7], with the proposed SL-module and compare these combinations with the DL-VHD method. DAN, DeepCORAL and AFN align the feature distributions of source and target domain by minimizing specific domain discrepancy metrics, and we exert these metric-induced alignment losses on the contextualized segment embeddings (*i.e.* outputs of Transformer encoder) to narrow the distributional gap between source and target category video segments in the latent space. For RevGrad, we append a domain discriminator on the top of contextualized segment embeddings to conduct adversarial domain adaptation. For MCD, we train two scoring models on the source video category in a supervised way, and a minimax game is performed between Transformer encoder and two scoring models to derive more reliable highlight predictions on target video category.

**Dataset statistics of ActivityNet.** In our experiments, we employ a subset of ActivityNet [2] for model evaluation. The number of videos in the training and test split for each video category is shown in Tab. 1. Note that, each of these videos contains at least one highlight moment of the corresponding video category.

## 2. More Results of Cross-category Video Highlight Detection

In Tab. 2, we evaluate different methods on five cross-category video highlight detection tasks of YouTube High-

Table 2. Cross-category highlight detection results (mAP) on the YouTube Highlights dataset. (source video category: dog; the underlined result surpasses the target-oracle.)

Methods	→gymnastics	→parkour	→skating	→skiing	→surfing
Source-only	0.486	0.480	0.535	0.564	0.531
DAN [3]	0.520	0.674	0.632	0.613	0.575
DeepCORAL [5]	0.518	0.615	0.615	0.609	0.517
RevGrad [1]	0.514	0.630	0.629	0.618	0.587
MCD [4]	0.479	0.587	0.658	0.614	0.625
AFN [7]	0.498	0.594	0.607	0.620	0.589
DL-VHD ( $\mathcal{L}_{\text{coarse}}$ only)	0.489	0.495	0.571	0.608	0.559
DL-VHD ( $\mathcal{L}_{\text{fine}}$ only)	0.486	0.480	0.535	0.564	0.531
DL-VHD (w/o $\mathcal{L}_{\text{distill}}$ )	0.525	0.686	0.654	0.630	0.649
DL-VHD (full model)	<u>0.556</u>	<u>0.734</u>	<u>0.692</u>	<u>0.653</u>	<u>0.676</u>
Target-oracle	0.532	0.772	0.725	0.661	0.762

lights [6], in which *dog* serves as the source video category. This setting is more difficult than the one employing *surfing* as the source category, since it intends to transfer the highlight patterns of dog to human. Source-only (target-oracle) method denotes the SL-module trained on the source (target) video category in a supervised way. From the table, we can observe that the full model of DL-VHD outperforms five UDA approaches with a clear margin, and it surpasses the target-oracle model on the dog → gymnastics task. When the coarse-grained or fine-grained learner is individually applied (*i.e.* the configuration  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{coarse}}$  only and  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{fine}}$  only), their performance is apparently lower than their combination (*i.e.* the configuration w/o  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{distill}}$  and full model). After integrating the knowledge of two learners, the full model can derive more precise highlight predictions on target video category than the model without applying knowledge distillation.

## 3. More Visualization Results

Fig. 1 visualizes the highlight prediction results of three approaches on the target category video of two more difficult tasks, *i.e.* *dog* → *surfing* and *surfing* → *dog*. Compared to source-only and AFN [7], the proposed DL-VHD method can better acquire the concepts about the highlight moments on target video category, *e.g.* the segments describing an athlete surfing on the wave or the ones containing dogs.

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Figure 1. Highlight predictions of three methods on two cross-category highlight detection tasks, *i.e.*  $dog \rightarrow surfing$  and  $surfing \rightarrow dog$ . (Each video segment is represented by its first and last frames.)

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