

Graph-Based Self-Learning for Robust Person Re-identification (Supplementary Material)

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Algorithm A1 Instance-Dependent Label Noise Generation

Input: Clean dataset $D = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$; Noise rate ρ_{noise} , network parameter Θ , training epoch T .

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1: for  $t = 1; t \leq T; t++$  do
2:   Train network on clean dataset  $D = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  with
     cross-entropy loss and hard triplet loss.
3: end for
4: for  $x_i \in D$  do
5:   Obtain identity predictions of  $x_i$  with the trained network:
        $\mathbf{p}_i = f(x_i; \Theta)$ 
6:   Record the secondary identity label of  $x_i$  by:
        $y'_i = \arg \max_{j \neq y_i} \mathbf{p}_i$ 
7:   Sample  $p$  from the uniform distribution  $\mathcal{U}[0, 1]$ .
8:   if  $p \leq \rho_{noise}$  then
9:     Flip  $\tilde{y}_i = y'_i$ .
10:  else
11:    Keep  $\tilde{y}_i = y_i$ .
12:  end if
13: end for

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Output: A corrupted dataset with IDN: $D = \{(x_i, \tilde{y}_i)\}_{i=1}^n$.

1. A. Generation of Label Noise.

In this section, we describe the generation of three types of label noise used in our experiments in detail.

Class-conditional noise (CCN): In our experiment of Sec X, we generate an uniformly distributed CCN on re-ID benchmarks. Given a noise ratio $\rho_{noise} \in (0, 1)$ and the number of identities C , the label of a sample x_i has a probability of $\frac{\rho_{noise}}{C-1}$ to be flipped to a specific identity j ($j \neq y_i^*$, y_i^* is the ground truth identity of x_i). This is similar to the symmetric noise [3] or random noise [4] in previous works. So we report the original results of PurifyNet [4] on random noise in Table 2.

Instance-dependent noise (IDN): There are different methods [5, 1, 2] to generate instance-dependent noise in

Algorithm A2 Tracklet-Level Label Noise Generation

Input: Clean dataset $D = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$; Noise rate ρ_{noise} , network parameter Θ , training epoch T .

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2:   Train network on clean dataset  $D = \{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=1}^n$  with
     cross-entropy loss and hard triplet loss.
3: end for
4: for  $x_i \in D$  do
5:   Obtain identity predictions of  $x_i$  with the trained network:
        $\mathbf{p}_i = f(x_i; \Theta)$ 
6:   Record the secondary identity label of  $x_i$  by:
        $y'_i = \arg \max_{j \neq y_i} \mathbf{p}_{ij}$ 
7: end for
8: for all tracklets  $\mathbf{S} \in D$  do
9:   Obtain the tracklet-level secondary label by finding the
     most frequent secondary label of images in the tracklet:
        $y'_S = MOST(\{y'_i\}_{x_i \in \mathbf{S}})$ 
10:  Sample  $p$  from the uniform distribution  $\mathcal{U}[0, 1]$ .
11:  for  $x_i \in \mathbf{S}$  do
12:    if  $p \leq \rho_{noise}$  then
13:      Flip  $\tilde{y}_i = y'_S$ .
14:    else
15:      Keep  $\tilde{y}_i = y_i$ .
16:    end if
17:  end for
18: end for

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Output: A corrupted dataset with TLN: $D = \{(x_i, \tilde{y}_i)\}_{i=1}^n$.

existing research. Following [5], we firstly pretrain a model with a clean training set and then find the most similar identity in the training set based on the model prediction. Different from [2] which generates IDN based on the pixel-wise similarity of the images, our IDN generation algorithm uses a model to find semantically confusing identities, which better simulates the false human annotations. The process of IDN generation is shown **Algorithm A1**.

Tracklet-level noise (TLN). Similar to the generation of IDN, to find the most similar identity of each tracklet, we firstly pretrain a model with a clean training set. Second,

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Figure B1. Examples of generated IDN label noise. Each row contains images with the same identity in the corrupted dataset with IDN. Images with red boxes are noisy samples that have different ground truth identity with the samples with green boxes (clean samples). Only a part of the clean samples are shown due to space limitation. We can observe that the noisy samples have many similar features with the clean samples, indicating that our IDN generation can produce confusing label noise using a pretrained model.

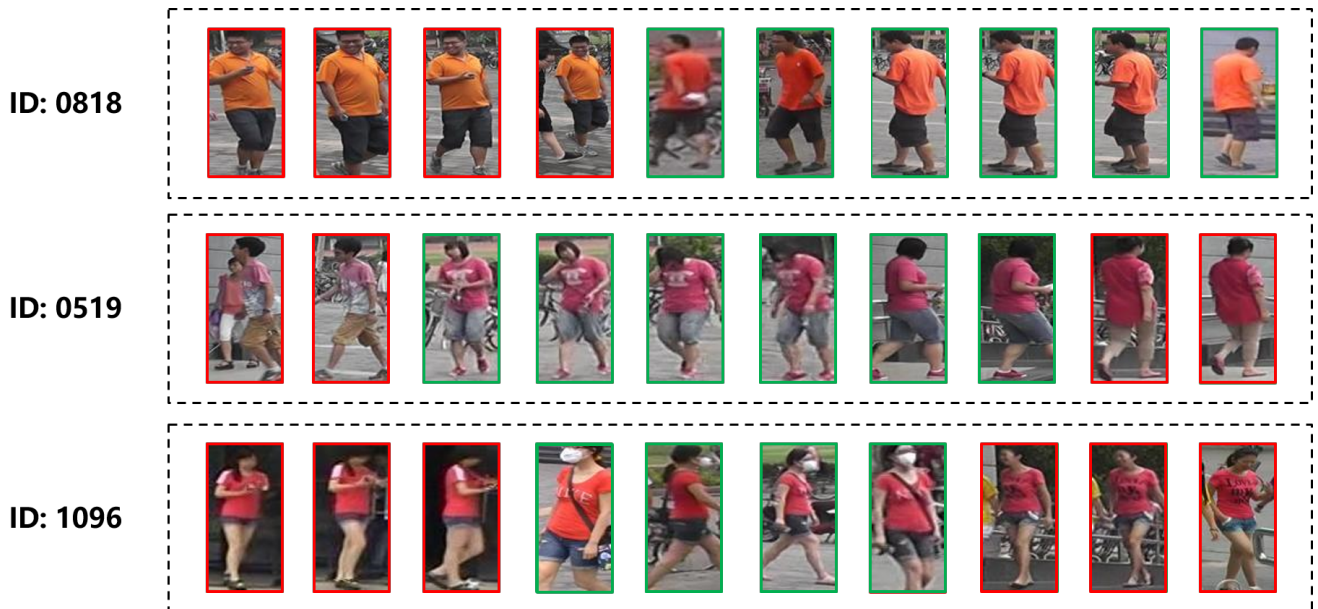


Figure B2. Examples of generated TLN label noise. Similar to IDN, the noise samples of an identity may come from multiple other identities. We can see that pedestrians in the noisy samples have highly similar clothing to the person in the clean samples. Different from samples of IDN, noise samples of a person are multiple images from one or more tracklets.

we record the secondary identity label of each image based on the model class prediction. Then, we determine the secondary label for each tracklet by finding the most frequent secondary label of all images in that tracklet. Finally, we sample a value from the uniform distribution from 0 to 1 and flip all the image-level labels in the tracklet to the same secondary labels if the value is less than the noise ratio. The detailed process of TLN generation is shown in **Algorithm A2**.

2. B. Visualization of Noisy Samples

To evaluate whether our IDN and TLN generation algorithms can simulate realistic label noise produced by false human annotations, we visualize some examples of the simulated dataset (Market-1501) with IDN in Fig. B1 and TLN in Fig. B2. We can see that the noisy samples generated by our algorithm are highly similar to the clean samples. For example, we can see two different men with a white t-shirt in Fig B1, ID 0749, moving a box. They look very similar and we can only distinguish them by the color of their pants.

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