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## Semi-Supervised Domain Adaptation



Goal:

- Extract invariant features across both domains
- Transfer knowledge from a source domain to another target domain

# Challenge

- Domain shift
  - There is a misalignment between the 7th class of the source data and the 59th class of the target data.



## **Proposed Framework**

Source Label Adaptation (SLA)

• A novel source-adaptive paradigm for Semi-Supervised Domain Adaptation.



Source Label Adaptation (Ours)

## Key Ideas

• View the source data as a version of the target data with noisy labels

• Correct the source labels with the estimated target centers in the current feature space.



• The framework can be easily coupled with the current SOTA SSDA methods.



#### Experiment







test accuracy - source: Art, target: Product, method: base\_SLA - source: Art, target: Product, method: base 





### **Motivation**

- Goal: Find an ideal model  $g^*$  that can minimize the target risk
- For each source data  $x^s$ ,  $g^*(x^s)$  is the **most suitable label** that best matches the ideal target space.



 $g^*(x^s)$ : The most suitable label for source data in the ideal target space



#### Source Label Adaptation

• We propose to adapt the original source label  $y^s$  to the ideal label  $g^*(x^s)$ .

$$\mathbf{y}^s \xrightarrow{\text{Label Adaptation}} g^*(\mathbf{x}^s)$$

- However, we are not able to access the ideal model  $g^*$ .
  - Approximate it through the current estimation of the unlabeled target data

### Prototypical Network (Protonet)

- Find the center c<sub>k</sub> of class k over a certain feature space.
- Make predictions by the distance between the data point and each center.

$$P(\mathbf{x})_k = \frac{\exp(-d(f(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{c}_k))}{\sum_{j=1}^{K} \exp(-d(f(\mathbf{x}), \mathbf{c}_j))}$$



# Protonet with Target Centers

- We have access to a few target data.
  - Protonet with Target Centers



- Challenge
  - We have only 1 or 3 shot per class
  - The estimation might be inaccurate

# Protonet with Pseudo Centers (PPC)

1. Determine the pseudo label for each

unlabeled target data  $x_i^u$ .

 $\tilde{y}_i^u = \arg\max_k g(\mathbf{x}_i^u)_k$ 

 Find the pseudo center c<sub>k</sub> for each class k, and construct a prototypical network P based on these centers.



#### **Distance Comparison**

From / To	labeled target centers	pseudo centers
ideal centers	10.02	4.06

Table 3. Average L2 Distance from ideal centers to labeled target centers / pseudo centers over the feature space trained by S+T (3-shot *Office-Home* A  $\rightarrow$  C with ResNet34).

#### Label Adaptation Loss

- Protonet with Pseudo Centers is still an estimation of the target view.
- We introduce a hyper-parameter  $\alpha$  to regularize the level of trust to this estimation.
- The adapted label  $\tilde{y}_i^s$  is defined as follow:



- We propose a label adaptation loss to replace the typical source loss function.
  - $\circ$  *H* measures the cross entropy between two distributions.

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_s(g|S) = \frac{1}{|S|} \sum_{i=1}^{|S|} H(g(\mathbf{x}_i^s), \tilde{\mathbf{y}}_i^s)$$

# Combine with SOTA SSDA Algorithms

• Typical SSDA algorithms usually attempt to explore better use of the unlabeled target data.

$$\mathcal{L}_{ ext{SSDA}} = \mathcal{L}_s + \mathcal{L}_\ell + \mathcal{L}_u$$

• Our framework, on the other hand, explores the training of source data with adapted labels to better align with the ideal target space.

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{SSDA w/SLA}} = \underbrace{\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_s}_{s} + \mathcal{L}_{\ell} + \mathcal{L}_u$$

• Thus, we can easily apply our framework to other SSDA algorithms, further boost their performance.



Mix with the adapted label





Mix with the adapted label

#### **Implementation Details**

- Warmup Stage
  - Our label adaptation framework relies on the quality of the predicted pseudo labels.
  - The prediction from the initial model can be noisy.
  - We introduce a warmup stage W to obtain more stable pseudo labels.

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}}_{i}^{s} = \begin{cases} \mathbf{y}_{i}^{s} & \text{if } e \leq W\\ (1-\alpha) \cdot \mathbf{y}_{i}^{s} + \alpha \cdot P_{\tilde{\mathbf{C}}_{f}}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

### **Implementation Details**

- Dynamic Update
  - During training phase, the feature space keeps changing for every iteration.
  - Without updating centers, the quality of the estimated pseudo centers would progressively deteriorate.
  - At certain intervals, we re-estimate the pseudo labels and centers over current feature space.

#### **Experiments on Major SSDA Datasets**

	$R \rightarrow C$		R  ightarrow P		$P \rightarrow C$		$\mathbf{C}  ightarrow \mathbf{S}$		$S \to P$		R  ightarrow S		$P \rightarrow R$		Mean	
Method	1-shot	3-shot	1-shot	3-shot	1-shot	3-shot	1-shot	3-shot	1-shot	3-shot	1-shot	3-shot	1-shot	3-shot	1-shot	3-shot
S+T	55.6	60.0	60.6	62.2	56.8	59.4	50.8	55.0	56.0	59.5	46.3	50.1	71.8	73.9	56.9	60.0
DANN [5]	58.2	59.8	61.4	62.8	56.3	59.6	52.8	55.4	57.4	59.9	52.2	54.9	70.3	72.2	58.4	60.7
ENT [6]	65.2	71.0	65.9	69.2	65.4	71.1	54.6	60.0	59.7	62.1	52.1	61.1	75.0	78.6	62.6	67.6
APE [10]	70.4	76.6	70.8	72.1	72.9	76.7	56.7	63.1	64.5	66.1	63.0	67.8	76.6	79.4	67.6	71.7
DECOTA [31]	79.1	80.4	74.9	75.2	76.9	78.7	65.1	68.6	72.0	72.7	69.7	71.9	79.6	81.5	73.9	75.6
MCL [30]	77.4	79.4	74.6	76.3	75.5	78.8	66.4	70.9	74.0	74.7	70.7	72.3	82.0	83.3	74.4	76.5
MME [21]	70.0	72.2	67.7	69.7	69.0	71.7	56.3	61.8	64.8	66.8	61.0	61.9	76.1	78.5	66.4	68.9
MME + SLA (ours)	71.8	73.3	68.2	70.1	70.4	72.7	59.3	63.4	64.9	67.3	61.8	63.9	77.2	79.6	68.8	70.0
CDAC [12]	77.4	79.6	74.2	75.1	75.5	79.3	67.6	69.9	71.0	73.4	69.2	72.5	80.4	81.9	73.6	76.0
CDAC + SLA (ours)	<b>79.8</b>	81.6	75.6	76.0	77.4	80.3	68.1	71.3	71.7	73.5	71.7	73.5	80.4	82.5	75.0	76.9

Table 4. Accuracy (%) on *DomainNet* for 1-shot and 3-shot Semi-Supervised Domain Adaptation (ResNet34).

Method	$A{\rightarrow}C$	$A {\rightarrow} P$	$A \rightarrow R$	$C {\rightarrow} A$	$C {\rightarrow} P$	$C {\rightarrow} R$	$P\!\!\rightarrow\!\!A$	$P \rightarrow C$	$P \rightarrow R$	$R{\rightarrow}A$	$R{\rightarrow}C$	$R{\rightarrow}P$	Mean
Three-shot													
S+T	54.0	73.1	74.2	57.6	72.3	68.3	63.5	53.8	73.1	67.8	55.7	80.8	66.2
DANN [5]	54.7	68.3	73.8	55.1	67.5	67.1	56.6	51.8	69.2	65.2	57.3	75.5	63.5
ENT [6]	61.3	79.5	79.1	64.7	79.1	76.4	63.9	60.5	79.9	70.2	62.6	85.7	71.9
APE [10]	63.9	81.1	80.2	66.6	79.9	76.8	66.1	65.2	82.0	73.4	66.4	86.2	74.0
DECOTA [31]	64.0	81.8	80.5	68.0	83.2	79.0	69.9	68.0	82.1	74.0	70.4	87.7	75.7
MME [21]	63.6	79.0	79.7	67.2	79.3	76.6	65.5	64.6	80.1	71.3	64.6	85.5	73.1
MME + SLA (ours)	65.9	81.1	80.5	69.2	81.9	79.4	69.7	67.4	81.9	74.7	68.4	87.4	75.6
CDAC [12]	65.9	80.3	80.6	67.4	81.4	80.2	67.5	67.0	81.9	72.2	67.8	85.6	74.8
CDAC + SLA (ours)	67.3	82.6	81.4	69.2	82.1	80.1	70.1	69.3	82.5	73.9	70.1	87.1	76.3

Table 5. Accuracy (%) on Office-Home for 1-shot and 3-shot Semi-Supervised Domain Adaptation (ResNet34).

## **Adapted Labels**

- For the backpack case, SLA suggests to adapt the label from 100% backpack to:
  - 30% Backpack
  - $\circ$  5% Toys
  - 4% Kettle.
- The adapted labels are much closer to the ideally-adapted labels (g\*(x<sup>s</sup>)).



#### The Intermediate Results in SLA

- PPC is actually a strong model that has performed well on the target domain at the early stage.
- However, without updating the source labels, it will end up converge to the same performance as the original method.
- On the other hand, in our SLA framework, the model leverages the benefits of PPC, resulting in better performance.



# Conclusion

- General framework
  - Source Label Adaptation for Semi-Supervised Domain Adaptation
- Rethinking the usage of source data
  - Approach Domain Adaptation as a Noisy Label Learning problem.
- Empirical Improvement
  - Our method improve 2 representative SSDA algorithms on 2 major datasets for both 1-shot and 3-shot settings.

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Code is available