Explanation-Guided Training for Cross-Domain Few-Shot Classification

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Support set

Query set







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One episode

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Layer-wise Relevance Propagation



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Explanation-Guided Training



$$L = \xi L_{ce}(y, p) + \lambda L_{ce}(y, p_{lrp})$$

$$w_{lrp} = 1 + R(f_p)$$

$$f_{p-lrp} = w_{lrp} \odot f_p$$



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Performance and Effects

The performance of explanation-guided training on GNN on four cross domain datasets.

| 5-way 1-shot | miniImagenet | Cars | Places | CUB | Plantae |
|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| GNN | 64.47±0.55% | 30.97±0.37% | $54.64 \pm 0.56\%$ | 46.76±0.50% | 37.39±0.43% |
| LRP-GNN | $65.03{\pm}0.54\%$ | $32.78{\pm}0.39\%$ | $54.83{\pm}0.56\%$ | $48.29{\pm}0.51\%$ | 37.49±0.43 % |
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| 5-way 5-shot | miniImagenet | Cars | Places | CUB | Plantae |
| 5-way 5-shot GNN | miniImagenet 80.74±0.41% | Cars 42.59±0.42% | Places 72.14±0.45% | CUB 63.91±0.47% | Plantae 54.52±0.44 % |

The performance of explanation-guided training on **RelationNet** (RN), cross attention network (CAN) on four cross domain datasets

| miniImagenet | iniImagenet 1-shot | | 5-shot | 5-shot-T | |
|--------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|--|
| RN | 58.31±0.47% | 61.52±0.58% | 72.72±0.37% | 73.64±0.40% | |
| LRP-RN | 60.06±0.47% | 62.65±0.56% | 73.63±0.37% | 74.67±0.39% | |
| CAN | 64.66±0.48% | 67.74±0.54% | 79.61±0.33% | 80.34±0.35% | |
| LRP-CAN | 64.65±0.46% | 69.10±0.53% | $80.89 {\pm} 0.32\%$ | $82.56 {\pm} 0.33\%$ | |
| mini-CUB | 1-shot | 1-shot-T | 5-shot | 5-shot-T | |
| RN | 41.98±0.41% | 42.52±0.48% | 58.75±0.36% | 59.10±0.42% | |
| LRP-RN | $42.44 \pm 0.41\%$ | 42.88±0.48% | 59.30±0.40% | 59.22±0.42% | |
| CAN | 44.91±0.41% | 46.63±0.50% | $63.09 {\pm} 0.39\%$ | $62.09 \pm 0.43\%$ | |
| LRP-CAN | 46.23±0.42% | $48.35 {\pm} 0.52\%$ | $66.58 {\pm} 0.39\%$ | $66.57 {\pm} 0.43\%$ | |
| mini-Cars | 1-shot | 1-shot-T | 5-shot | 5-shot-T | |
| RN | 29.32±0.34% | 28.56±0.37% | 38.91±0.38% | 37.45±0.40% | |
| LRP-RN | 29.65±0.33% | 29.61±0.37% | 39.19±0.38% | 38.31±0.39% | |
| CAN | 31.44±0.35% | 30.06±0.42% | 41.46±0.37% | 40.17±0.40% | |
| LRP-CAN | 32.66±0.46% | 32.35±0.42% | 43.86±0.38% | 42.57±0.42% | |
| mini-Places | 1-shot | 1-shot-T | 5-shot | 5-shot-T | |
| RN | 50.87±0.48% | 53.63±0.58% | 66.47±0.41% | 67.43±0.43% | |
| LRP-RN | 50.59±0.46% | 53.07±0.57% | 66.90±0.40% | 68.25±0.43% | |
| CAN | 56.90±0.49% | $60.70 {\pm} 0.58\%$ | $72.94{\pm}0.38\%$ | $74.44 \pm 0.41\%$ | |
| LRP-CAN | 56.96±0.48% | $61.60 {\pm} 0.58\%$ | 74.91±0.37% | 76.90±0.39% | |
| mini-Plantae | 1-shot | 1-shot-T | 5-shot | 5-shot-T | |
| RN | 33.53±0.36% | 33.69±0.42% | 47.40±0.36% | 46.51±0.40% | |
| LRP-RN | 34.80±0.37% | 34.54±0.42% | 48.09±0.35% | 47.67±0.39% | |
| CAN | 36.57±0.37% | $36.69 {\pm} 0.42\%$ | $50.45 {\pm} 0.36\%$ | $48.67 \pm 0.40\%$ | |
| LRP-CAN | 38.23±0.45% | 38.48±0.43% | 53.25±0.36% | 51.63±0.41% | |

Combining with Other Methods

The combination of explanation-guided training and learned feature-wise transformation (LFT)

| 5-way 1-shot | Cars | Places | CUB | Plantae |
|---|--|--|---|---|
| RN | $29.40 {\pm} 0.33\%$ | $48.05 {\pm} 0.46\%$ | 44.33±0.43% | 34.57±0.38% |
| FT-RN | $30.09 {\pm} 0.36\%$ | $48.12 {\pm} 0.45\%$ | $44.87 \pm 0.44\%$ | 35.53±0.39% |
| LRP-RN | $30.00 {\pm} 0.32\%$ | $48.74 {\pm} 0.45\%$ | $45.64 \pm 0.42\%$ | 36.04±0.38% |
| LFT-RN | $30.27 {\pm} 0.34\%$ | $48.07 \pm 0.46\%$ | 47.35±0.44% | 35.54±0.38% |
| LFT-LRP-RN | 30.68±0.34% | 50.19±0.47% | 47.78 ± 0.43 | 36.58±0.40% |
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| 5-way 5-shot | Cars | Places | CUB | Plantae |
| 5-way 5-shot RN | Cars 40.01±0.37% | Places 64.56±0.40% | CUB 62.50±0.39% | Plantae 47.58±0.37% |
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We Interpret few-shot classification models with LRP.

We propose Explanation-guided training for metric-based few-shot classification

Explanation-guided training improves the performance on crossdomain few-shot classification tasks.

 Explanation-guided training can be combined with other methods such as LFT.



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