# Continual Domain Adversarial Adaptation via Double-Head Discriminators

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# Abstract

Domain adversarial adaptation in a continual setting poses significant challenges due to the limitations of accessing previous source domain data. Despite extensive research in continual learning, adversarial adaptation cannot be effectively accomplished using only a small number of stored source domain data, a standard setting in memory replay approaches. This limitation arises from the erroneous empirical estimation of  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence with few source domain samples. To tackle this problem, we propose a double-head discriminator algorithm by introducing an additional sourceonly domain discriminator trained solely on the source learning phase. We prove that by introducing a pre-trained source-only domain discriminator, the empirical estimation error of  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence related adversarial loss is reduced from the source domain side. Further experiments on existing domain adaptation benchmarks show that our proposed algorithm achieves more than 2% improvement on all categories of target domain adaptation tasks while significantly mitigating the forgetting of the source domain.

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

Unsupervised Domain adaptation (UDA) refers to the process of transferring knowledge from a labeled source domain to an unlabeled target domain (Ben-David et al., 2010; Zhao et al., 2019), taking into account the presence of *domain shifts* between the source and target domains. One line of UDA work to bridge the domain gap focuses on learning domain invariant feature representations by adversarial adaptations (Ganin et al.,

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2016; Zhao et al., 2018; Long et al., 2017; Zhang et al., 2019). Classic adversarial domain adaptation applies in offline settings where both the source and target domain data can be accessed, assuming they follow an i.i.d. distribution. However, domain data is accessed sequentially in continual learning (CL). The sequential nature of CL complicates the direct application of these conventional approaches.

Intuitively, one can expect that the gap between offline and online learning would be partly bridged if a small portion of the previous domain data is stored and subsequently accessible. This 'divide-and-conquer' idea has brought up to a setting known as memory replay continual learning where the learner stores a small portion of previous tasks in memory and replays them with the new mini-batch data. However, different from memory replay CL in supervised task (Belouadah and Popescu, 2019; Zhao et al., 2020; Hou et al., 2019; Castro et al., 2018; Wu et al., 2019; Liu et al., 2021), adversarial adaptation requires estimation of an extra domain discrepancy term, as the  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence, in addition to the supervised task risk on the previous source domain. Prior theoretical results show that empirically estimating H-divergence using only a few source samples results in a significant error gap from the source side (Ben-David et al., 2010). Consequently, the model adversarially trained on a small number of stored source samples, would exhibit poorer performance in target adaptation.

In light of the above unique challenge in adversarial adaptation under CL settings, to construct a lowerror empirical estimation of domain discrepancy with a small number of source samples, we propose our double-head discriminator algorithm. We train two domain discriminators on domain data of different phases. One is trained in the source learning phase as source-only domain discriminator. The other one is adversarially trained in the target adaptation phase with a task model. And we employ the ensemble of two domain discriminators to achieve a more accurate estimation of the empirical error with  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence. In particular, the source-only domain discriminator is

trained exclusively with source domain data in oneclass learning approaches. It serves as a score-based function to assess the level of in-distribution within the source domain. In the target adaption phase, the source-only domain discriminator is frozen. The ensembles of two domain discriminator's digits are used as  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence signal to learn a domain generalized task model.

Our contributions are summarised as follows.

- (i) We propose a double-head discriminator algorithm tailored for adversarial adaptation in a CL setting. Different from existing works on continual UDA, our algorithm learns a domain-generalized task model with better performance on target domain tasks while mitigating the issue of catastrophic forgetting on the tasks of previous source domains. Our proposed algorithm is effective, requiring only a few source domain samples stored in the replay memory buffer.
- (ii) We theoretically analyze our proposed algorithm. Firstly, we show that the population form of two discriminator's ensemble digits does construct a  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence to bound on the generalization error between the source and target domain's population risk. Next, we demonstrate that in empirical form, the ensemble of two discriminators reduces the error of empirical estimation on  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence from the source domain side. Finally, we analyze the equilibrium of our adversarial loss on how source only domain discriminator regulates the source and target domain's distributions.
- (iii) Empirically, we show that our algorithm consistently performs better on continual adaptation to target domain tasks while significantly mitigating the issue of catastrophic forgetting on previous source domain tasks.

# 2 RELATED WORKS

Unsupervised Domain Adaptation For UDA methods, besides adversarial domain adaptation (Ganin et al., 2016; Zhao et al., 2018; Long et al., 2017; Zhang et al., 2019; Saito et al., 2018) that learns feature representations invariant between source and target domain, self-training (ST) and knowledge distillation (KD) are also widely adopted for UDA (De Lange et al., 2021). ST (Arazo et al., 2020; Pham et al., 2021) trains on the supervised task on the pseudo-labels that are iteratively assigned to unlabeled target domain data (Lee et al., 2013; Yarowsky, 1995; Nigam and Ghani, 2000). As ST gradually shifts the decision boundary in feature space from the one separating the class-conditional distributions of the previous source domain to the one separating the class-conditional distributions of the new target domain (Kumar et al., 2020; Wang et al., 2022b), ST adapts the model from a source domain specific model to target domain special model. The model's discriminative ability on the source domain data will be lost after continual adaptation. KD (Liang et al., 2022; WU SJ, 2019; Dhar et al., 2019; Douillard et al., 2020; Zhu et al., 2021) partially maintains the class-conditional distributions of the previous source domain in its newly learned class-conditional distributions of the new target domain. However, there is a trade-off between the network's ability to adapt to new target domain data and to adhere to the previous source domain data. Other works (Ding et al., 2022; Fleuret et al., 2021; Dey et al., 2022; Kundu et al., 2020; Li et al., 2020; Tian et al., 2021; Wang et al., 2022a; Xia et al., 2021; Yang et al., 2021; Yeh et al., 2021; Gong et al., 2022; Niu et al., 2022; Ma et al., 2022) also address the problem of UDA. However, these works require either freezing on the task model trained on the source domain, caching the prototypical features of the source domain, or demanding specific engineering on the task model structure, which limits its application in the general setting of CL. Notably, federated UDA (Shen et al., 2023; Peng et al., 2019) proposes a simplified version of CL where all domain datasets are simultaneously accessible in a spatially isolated case.

Domain Incremental Learning The main goal for domain incremental learning is to consistently learn information on a new domain, without forgetting the knowledge of previous domains. The first category of methods is by incrementally adding new task heads to fit on new domains (Rusu et al., 2016; Zhou et al., 2012; Cortes et al., 2017; Yoon et al., 2018; Ji et al., 2023). The second category of methods is using memory replay methods to store the data of previous domains (Lopez-Paz and Ranzato, 2017; Chaudhry et al., 2018; Dokania et al., 2019; Riemer et al., 2018; Hayes et al., 2020; Prabhu et al., 2020). The third category of methods is to add regularization terms to constraint task's objectives to avoid forgetting (Li and Hoiem, 2017; Kirkpatrick et al., 2017; Zenke et al., 2017; Fini et al., 2020; Volpi et al., 2021; Rostami, 2021). Apart from these three categories of methods, contrastive learning (Tang et al., 2021), meta learning (Volpi et al., 2021; Sankaranarayanan and Balaji, 2023; Qin et al., 2023; Wang et al., 2022e) and domain randomization (Volpi et al., 2021; Wang et al., 2022d,c, 2023) are also implemented for DIL for model robustness and generalizations on varied domain distributions.

Causes of Catastrophic Forgetting Generally speaking, the catastrophic forgetting on the previous domain comes from two sources: (A) the feature misalignment on new domain with previous domains in the feature embedding space (McCloskey and Cohen, 1989; Goodfellow et al., 2013; Kemker et al., 2018; Xian et al.,

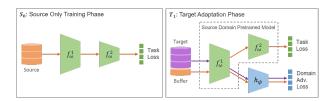


Figure 1: A continual adversarial domain adaptation model. Only the source risk of the client's local source data is accessible in source only training phase. A small set of buffered source domain data and target domain data is adversarial trained in target adaptation phase.

2021), occurs when excessive parameter adjustments in the feature extractor disrupt the representation of previously encountered classes, resulting in compromised feature extraction and task prediction accuracy. (B) the shift of decision boundaries of the task model when adapting to new domain data (Dong et al., 2022; Wang et al., 2022b; Kumar et al., 2020), emerges when the classifier becomes overly specialized to the class distributions of current domains, introducing biases that hinder its ability to distinguish between new and old class boundaries.

#### 3 PRELIMINARY

Continual Unsupervised Domain Adaptation In Continual UDA, the data comes as a stream  $S_0, T_1$ and a unified model is trained on current data locally without revisiting previous data. Let  $P = \{S_0, T_1\}$ be the data stream, in which  $S_0 = \{(\boldsymbol{x}_i^s, y_i^s)\}$  contains labeled examples in source domain,  $T_1 = \{(\boldsymbol{x}_i^t)\}$ contains unlabeled examples in target domain, where  $x_i^s, x_i^t \in \mathbb{D}, y_i^s \in \mathcal{C}$ . Specifically, the continual domain adaptation algorithm begins with training a task model  $f_w$  on labeled examples from source domain S. For the successive phase, the data comes as unlabeled examples on target domains T. We name the two phases as source training phase  $S_0$  and target adaptation phase  $T_1$ . The unified task model  $f_{\omega} = f_{\omega}^2 \circ f_{\omega}^1$ consists of a feature extractor  $f_{\omega}^1$  and a label predictor  $f_{\omega}^2$ . The feature extractor is a deep neural network  $z = f_{\omega}^{1}(x), z \in \mathbb{F}$  that maps the data to feature space. Continual domain adaptation aims to learn a feature extractor  $f_{\omega}^{1}$  that generates domain invariant feature representations. The label predictor is another network  $\mathbf{y} = f_{\omega}^2(\mathbf{z}), \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{C}|}$  maps from feature space to task digits space. Both feature extractor and label predictor are trained continuously at both  $S_0$  and  $T_1$ phases. In addition to the task model, the trained model also involves another domain discriminator network  $d = h_{\psi}(z), d \in \mathbb{R}$  that tries to determine whether the extracted features belong to the source or target domain.

Target Domain Adaptation with Few Stored Source Samples is Challenging Memory replay in continual learning methods refers to storing a small number of samples from previous domains and replaying them alongside the current data stream in minibatches while learning new domain data. We denote memory buffer as  $\mathcal{M}$  that stores a small portion of previously accessed domain data. With the incorporation of replay memory buffer  $\mathcal{M}$ , it optimizes on a empirical task loss of the joint distribution of the current data stream and the replay memory  $\mathcal{M}$  (Chaudhry et al., 2019). In traditional supervised CL settings, the empirical task loss on  $\mathcal{M}$  is trained purely for memorizing the old task. Uniquely in adversarial adaptation, the new task objective of target adaptation on  $T_1$  takes the general form of an empirical domain adversarial loss on the joint distribution of target domain data in  $T_1$  and stored source domain data in  $\mathcal{M}$  (illustrated in Fig(1), as follows:

$$\min_{\omega} \max_{\psi} \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, y_{i}^{s}) \sim \mathcal{M}} [\ell(f_{\omega}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}), y_{i}^{s}) \\
- \nu \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, y_{i}^{s}) \sim \mathcal{M}} D_{\psi}^{s}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})] - \nu \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t} \sim T_{1}} D_{\psi}^{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}) \tag{1}$$

As a part of new adversarial adaptation task on target domain at  $T_1$ , the min-max objective  $\mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}_i^s, y_i^s) \sim \mathcal{M}} D_{\psi}^s(\mathbf{x}_i^s) + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_i^t \sim T_1} D_{\psi}^t(\mathbf{x}_i^t)$  is related to an empirical estimation of the  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence. For a more detailed introduction, we refer interested readers to Appendix (A). However, according to Theorem 1 given by Ben-David et al. (Ben-David et al., 2010), using few samples of stored source domains data to construct an empirical version of  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence, denoted as  $\hat{d}_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}$ , can result in significant errors when estimating the population  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a hypothesis space with VC dimensions d, if S' are samples of size m from S and T' are samples of size n from T respectively and  $\hat{d}_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}(S',T')$  is the empirical  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence between samples, then for any  $\delta \in (0,1)$ , with probability at lease  $1-\delta$ 

$$d_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}(S,T) \le \hat{d}_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}(S',T') + 2\sqrt{\frac{d\log 2m + \log(2/\delta)}{m}} + 2\sqrt{\frac{d\log 2n + \log(2/\delta)}{2n}}$$
(2)

Due to the erroneous estimation of the objective function, the adversarial adaptation task on the target domain at  $T_1$  is expected to exhibit poor performance.

### 4 METHODOLOGY

# 4.1 Double head Domain Discriminator For Continual UDA

To compensate for the erroneous empirical estimation of  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence originating from a small number of source domain samples, our natural idea is to introduce an additional domain discriminator trained on the full set of source domain data instead of a tiny set in the memory buffer. In the specific problem setting of continual UDA, the auxiliary domain discriminator is trained on  $S_0$  phase and then frozen during  $T_1$  phase. Since only the source domain data is accessible in the  $S_0$  phase, the auxiliary domain discriminator we introduced in  $S_0$  phase is source-only domain discriminator. Extending the general loss function of  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence to single-side (source) domain loss leads to the following form

$$\hat{d}_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}} \triangleq \sup_{\psi} \left[ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s} \in S_{0}} D(\sigma(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})))) - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s} \notin S_{0}} D(\sigma(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})))) \right]$$
(3)

The above training objective  $\hat{d}_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}$  has a similar problem formulation of one-class learning. Specifically, the training data  $\mathbf{x}_i \in S$  is treated as a one-class distribution. And a score based function  $\sigma(h_{\psi,s} \circ f_\omega^1)(\mathbf{x}) \in [0,1]$  is trained to determine how possible that a data instance  $\mathbf{x}$  lies within the distribution of training dataset  $S_0$  (source domain). However, one-class learning doesn't learn a boundary as distinguishable as a multiclass classification model. An ideal one-class score function should exhibit positive correlations on its score with data points that belong to the in-distribution and have higher densities.

A deep one-class learning problem is a class of challenging tasks still under active research. we will describe our solution in the specific case of source-only domain classifier in Section (4.2).

In the remaining part of this section, we will describe how we utilize the two complementary domain discriminators jointly to learn a domain generalized task model in the target adaptation phase  $T_1$ . The task model  $f_{\omega}$  and source-only domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}$  are firstly trained on the source domain task. Then the pre-trained source-only domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}$  is frozen in the successive  $T_1$  phase. We introduced another target adaptation discriminator  $h_{\psi,t}$  that is adversarial trained with feature generator  $f_{\omega}^1$  during  $T_1$  phase. The target adaptation discriminator is trained discriminatively using the features from the source domain memory buffer  $\mathcal{M}$  and the target domain data in

 $T_1$  with the commonly used cross-entropy loss:

$$D_{\psi,t}^{s}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) = -\log(\sigma(h_{\psi,t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}))),$$

$$D_{\psi,t}^{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}) = -\log(1 - \sigma(h_{\psi,t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}))))$$

$$\min_{\psi_{t}}[\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s} \sim \mathcal{M}} D_{\psi,t}^{s}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t} \sim T_{1}} D_{\psi,t}^{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})]$$

$$(4)$$

To learn domain-independent feature representations, the feature extractor  $f_{\omega}^1$  is trained adversarially with the target domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,t}$ . The estimated  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence from the domain discriminator is used as a signal to guide the learning of domain-invariant feature representations. Instead of solely relying on the target domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,t}$  that is trained with only a small number of samples of source domain data in  $\mathcal{M}$ , we utilize the ensembles of source and target domain discriminator outputs to obtain a lower empirical estimation of the  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence between the distributions of the source and target domains. The adversarial loss function for learning feature extractor  $f_{\omega}^1$  with respect to  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence is given by:

$$D_{\psi}^{s}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) = -\log(\sigma(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})) + h_{\psi,t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})))$$

$$D_{\psi}^{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}) = -\log(1 - \sigma(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})) + h_{\psi,t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}))))$$
(5)

With the previously mentioned loss function for  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence, the joint learning objective for the task model  $f_{\omega}(\cdot)$  during the target adaptation phase  $T_1$  can be expressed as follows:

$$\min_{\omega} \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, y_{i}^{s}) \sim \mathcal{M}} [\ell(f_{\omega}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}), y_{i}^{s}) - \nu D_{\psi}^{s}((\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}))] \\
-\nu \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{t} \sim T_{i}} D_{\psi}^{t}((\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})) \tag{6}$$

The entire diagram for Continual UDA with our double-head discriminator algorithm is illustrated in Fig. 2.

# 4.2 Example for Single Domain Discriminator Learning: Margin Disparity Discrepancy

A straightforward way for one-class learning of sourceonly domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}$  in (3) is optimizing on commonly used cross-entropy function on a single class

$$\min_{\psi_s} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_i^s \sim S}[-\log(\sigma(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^1(\mathbf{x}_i^s))))] \tag{7}$$

However, directly training on the above objective function would limit the trained source-only domain discriminator's ability as a score-based function on the in-distribution of the source domain. One reason is the uncontrollable digit outputs. The other reason is the biased features towards the highest neuron activations.

One way to address the above limitations of one-class learning is by adding an  $\mathcal{H}$ -Regularization loss as in

Figure 2: The flowchart of our proposed double-head discriminator algorithm. The solid line is the forward path. And the dashed line is the backward training path. After the task model is trained in source domain, an additional source-only domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}$  is trained by freezing the task model  $f_{\omega}$ . In the target adaptation phase,  $h_{\psi,t}$  is adversarially trained with  $f_{\omega}^1$  on domain adversarial loss, where the ensembles of domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}$  and  $h_{\psi,t}$ 's digit is used as domain adversarial signal to learn domain invariant features for  $f_{\omega}^1$ 

(Hu et al., 2020). This approach is called HRN and applies to general settings of positive, unlabeled learning and continual learning. We will introduce and discuss the HRN method for continual UDA in our appendix. However, by utilizing the specific problem structure in UDA, a more effective score-based function for domain discrepancy is utilizing the margins between classification spaces as proposed in Margin Disparity Discrepancy (MDD)(Zhang et al., 2019). Instead of using a binary domain discriminator of scalar outputs  $h_{\psi}(\cdot): \mathbb{F} \to \mathbb{R}$ , MDD introduces a multi-class domain discriminator of vector outputs  $h_{\psi}(\cdot): \mathbb{F} \to \mathbb{R}^{|\mathcal{C}|}$ . The margin disparity from the hypothesis of task model  $f_{\omega}$ to  $h_{\psi} \circ f_{\omega}^{1}$  is used as the score-based function to measure whether a data instance  $\mathbf{x}$  lies within the source domain distribution

**Definition 4.1** (Margin Disparity Discrepancy (Zhang et al., 2019)). The margin disparity discrepancy is defined as a  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence between source and target domains.

$$d_{f,\mathcal{H}}^{\rho}(S,T) \triangleq \sup_{f' \in \mathcal{H}} (disp_S^{\rho}(f',f) - disp_T^{\rho}(f',f)) \quad (8)$$

where  $disp_D^{\rho}(f', f)$  is defined as the margin disparity between f and f' in domain D

$$disp_D^{\rho}(f, f') \triangleq \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_i, \sim D} \Phi^{\rho}(\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f(\mathbf{x}_i)))$$
 (9)

where  $\rho_f$ ,  $h_f(\mathbf{x}_i)$  and  $\Phi^{\rho}$  is defined as

$$\rho_f(\mathbf{x}_i, c) \triangleq f(\mathbf{x}_i, c) - \max_{c' \neq c} f(\mathbf{x}_i, c')$$
 (10)

$$h_f(\mathbf{x}_i) \triangleq \arg\max_{c} f(\mathbf{x}_i, c)$$
 (11)

$$\Phi^{\rho}(x) = \begin{cases}
1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\
1 - x/\rho & \text{if } 0 \le x \le \rho \\
0 & \text{if } x > \rho
\end{cases}$$
(12)

Again, with the commonly used cross-entropy loss in training objectives,  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence of  $d_{f,\mathcal{H}}^{\rho}(S,T)$  is approximated as

$$d_{f,\mathcal{H}}^{\rho}(S,T) \approx \mathbb{E}_{S} \log(\operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})), h_{f}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}))) - \mathbb{E}_{T} \log(1 - \operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})), h_{f}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})))$$

$$(13)$$

The MDD-induced training objective for source-only domain discriminator  $\psi_s$  in Equation (3) results in

$$\min_{\psi_s} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_i^s \sim S_0} -\log(\operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^1(\mathbf{x}_i^s)), \arg\max_{c} f(\mathbf{x}_i^s)))$$
(14)

The MDD form of adversarial loss for feature extractor  $f_{\omega}^1$  from the ensembles of source and target domain discriminator, as expressed in Equation (5), is given by:

$$D_{\psi}^{s}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) = -\log(\operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})) + h_{\psi,t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})))$$

$$, \arg\max_{c} f(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})))$$

$$D_{\psi}^{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}) = -\log(1 - \operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})) + h_{\psi,t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})))$$

$$, \arg\max_{c} f(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})))$$

$$(15)$$

The full description of our double-head domain discriminator algorithm for continual UDA is shown in Algorithm 1 of our appendix.

## 5 THEORETICAL ANALYSIS

In this section, we relate the source-only domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}(\cdot)$ , which is trained on source domain data and frozen during  $T_1$ , to a fixed hypothesis  $f_0$ . Thus, we study its effect on target adaptation in  $T_1$ . First, we show that in the population form, our domain adversarial function from the ensembles of two discriminator's digit constructs a  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence as the generalization upper bound between source and target domain task's population risks.

**Theorem 2.** For a hypothesis class  $\mathcal{F}$  and a fixed  $f_0 \in \mathcal{F}$  where for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $f - f_0$  is also in  $\mathcal{F}$ , then we have the following property holds

$$err_T(f) \le err_S^{(\rho)}(f) + d_{f,f_0,\mathcal{F}}^{(\rho)}(S,T) + \lambda$$
 (16)

where  $err_S^{(\rho)}(f)$ ,  $d_{f,f_0,\mathcal{F}}^{(\rho)}(S,T)$  and  $\lambda$  is defined as

$$err_{S}^{(\rho)}(f) = \mathbb{E}_{(x_{i},y_{i})\sim S}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f}(x_{i},y_{i})$$

$$d_{f,f_{0},\mathcal{F}}^{(\rho)}(S,T) = \sup_{f'\in\mathcal{F}} \{\mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim T}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f'+f_{0}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i}))$$

$$-\mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim S}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f'+f_{0}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i}))\}$$

$$\lambda = \min_{f^{\star}\in\mathcal{F}} err_{S}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star}) + err_{T}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star}),$$

$$(17)$$

**Remark** The upper bound above has a similar form to the learning bound proposed by (Zhang et al., 2019). From the perspective of population loss, our domain loss function from the ensembles of two discriminator's digits is equivalent to that of the traditional MDD version where source-only domain discriminator  $f_0$  is not introduced.

Next, we bound on the gap between empirical estimations of domain adversarial loss and its populated version. We first introduce Rademacher complexity as the richness of mapping from an arbitrary input space  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{R}$ . The following states the formal definitions of the empirical and average Rademacher complexity.

**Definition 5.1.** (Rademacher Complexity) Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a family of functions mapping from  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{R}$ . And  $\hat{D} = \{(\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)\}$  is a fixed sample of size n drawn from distribution  $\mathcal{D}$  over  $\mathbb{D}$ . Then the empirical Rademacher complexity w.r.t sample  $\hat{D}$  is defined as

$$\hat{\Re}_{n,\hat{D}}(\mathcal{G}) = \mathbb{E}_{\delta} \sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n^*} \delta_i g(\mathbf{x}_i)$$
 (18)

where  $\delta_i$ 's independent uniform random variables taking values  $\{+1, -1\}$ . The random variables  $\delta_i$  are called Rademacher variables.

The Rademacher complexity of  $\mathcal{G}$  is the expectation of the empirical Rademacher complexity over all samples of size n drawn according to  $\mathcal{D}$ :

$$\Re_{n,\mathcal{D}}(\mathcal{G}) := \mathbb{E}_{\hat{D} \sim \mathcal{D}}[\hat{\Re}_{n,\hat{D}}(\mathcal{G})]$$
 (19)

In the following, we define  $\mathcal{G}_s$  as a family of source domain discrepancy loss function associated to  $\mathcal{F}$  mapping from  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\mathcal{G}_t$  as a family of target domain

discrepancy loss function associated to  $\mathcal{F}$  mapping from  $\mathcal{X}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ :

$$\mathcal{G}_{s} = \{g_{s} : x \to \log(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}, h_{f})}}) : f, f' \in \mathcal{F}\}$$

$$\mathcal{G}_{t} = \{g_{t} : x \to \log(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}, h_{f})}}) : f, f' \in \mathcal{F}\}$$
(20)

With the Rademacher complexity defined above, we would proceed to show that our  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence based domain adversarial loss could be empirically estimated through finite samples of source domain data and target domain data.

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f_0 \in \mathcal{F}$  be a fixed hypothesis that maps from  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \to \mathbb{R}$  which satisfies  $\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}^s, h_f) \geq \epsilon_s$  for source domain data  $\mathbf{x}^s \in S$  and  $\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}^t, h_f) \leq \epsilon_t$  for target domain data  $\mathbf{x}^t \in T$ .  $\mathbf{x}^s_i$  is an i.i.d sample of size m drawn from the source distribution S and  $\mathbf{x}^t_i$  is an i.i.d sample of size n drawn from the target distribution T. Given the same settings as Definition 5.1. For any  $\delta > 0$ , with the probability at least  $1 - 2\delta$ , we have the following generalization error bound for  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence based adversarial loss function

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{s} \in S} \left[ \log \left( \frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}} \right) \right]$$

$$+ \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{t} \in T} \left[ \log \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f})}} \right) \right]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \log \left( \frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}_{i}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{s}_{i}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}_{i}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}_{i}, h_{f})}} \right)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}_{i}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}_{i}, h_{f})}} \right)$$

$$+ \max \left\{ \frac{2}{(e^{\epsilon_{s}} - 1)\lambda_{s}^{+} + 1}, \frac{2}{(e^{\epsilon_{s}} - 1)\lambda_{s}^{-} + 1} \right\} \Re_{m, \mathcal{D}_{s}}(\mathcal{G}_{s})$$

$$+ \max \left\{ \frac{2e^{\epsilon_{t}}}{(1 - \lambda_{t}^{+})e^{\epsilon_{t}} + \lambda_{t}^{+}}, \frac{2e^{\epsilon_{t}}}{(1 - \lambda_{t}^{-})e^{\epsilon_{t}} + \lambda_{t}^{-}} \right\} \Re_{n, \mathcal{D}_{t}}(\mathcal{G}_{t})$$

$$+ \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2m}} + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2n}}$$

$$(21)$$

where  $\lambda_s^+$ ,  $\lambda_s^-$ ,  $\lambda_t^+$  and  $\lambda_t^-$  is defined as

$$\lambda_{s}^{-} = \min\left\{\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}\right\}, \lambda_{s}^{+} = \max\left\{\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}\right\}$$
$$\lambda_{t}^{-} = \min\left\{\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f})}}\right\}, \lambda_{t}^{+} = \max\left\{\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f})}}\right\},$$
$$\forall \mathbf{x}^{s} \in S, \mathbf{x}^{t} \in T$$

$$(22)$$

**Remark** This theorem justifies that the populated domain adversarial loss with respect to  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence could be approximated by the empirical one computed from finite source and target domain samples. By introducing source-only domain discriminator related  $f_0$ , the

empirical estimation error from the source and target domain could be non-uniform. The error term in the source domain is controlled by  $\epsilon_s$ . And the error term in the target domain is controlled by  $\epsilon_t$ . A large  $\epsilon_s$  would achieve a lower generalization error from the source domain side. Conversely, over-training on  $f_0$  would cause a large  $\epsilon_t$ , resulting in a larger generalization error from the target domain side. Therefore, our theorem shows a trade-off between generalization error from the source and target domain side. Note that in the continual UDA case, there are only a small number of stored source domain samples for target domain adaptation. The source domain empirical error  $\Re_{m,\mathcal{D}_s}(\mathcal{G}_s)$  becomes the major source of empirical estimation error. Thus it is justifiable to introduce a  $f_0$  with a larger  $\epsilon_s$  to exchange source domain error with target domain error. Our theorem also emphasizes the importance of training a better one-class score-based function  $\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}^s, h_f)$ with a higher score for in-distribution data on source domains than outliers.

Finally, we analyze the equilibrium of our adversarial loss w.r.t. generator and discriminators. We would show how our introduced source-only domain discriminator's score  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_s'$  controls the magnitudes of consistency between source and target domain's distributions.

**Proposition 1.** Consider the following optimization problem we have defined

$$\max_{f'} \mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\sigma_{h_f} \circ f') + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(1 - \sigma_{h_f} \circ f')$$

$$\min_{\hat{S}, \hat{T}} \mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f' + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0)$$

$$+ \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(1 - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f' - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0)$$
(23)

Assume that there is no restriction on the choice of f'. By fixing  $f_0$ , we have the following result.

The minimization problem w.r.t S and T is equivalent to minimization on the sum of two terms  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ 

$$L_{1} = 4KL(\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S}||\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S})$$

$$+ 4KL(\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}||\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S})$$

$$+ 4KL(\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T}||\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S})$$

$$+ 4KL(\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}||\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T})$$

$$(24)$$

is a symmetric distribution divergence between  $\hat{S}$  and  $\hat{T}$  and has global minimum at  $\hat{S} = \hat{T}$ 

$$L_{2} = \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x}))(\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}))$$

$$\frac{1}{4 - (\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}/(\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}} d\mathbf{x}$$
(25)

is a re-weighted bounds on the total variations between  $\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x})$  and  $\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})$ 

Remark Recall that  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0(\mathbf{x})$  is the output score of the source-only domain discriminator for the possibilities of  $\mathbf{x}$  belonging to the source domain. Assuming that for in-distribution area of source domain  $\mathbf{x}$ ,  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0(\mathbf{x}) > \epsilon$ , where  $\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x}) > 0$ . Otherwise for out-of-distribution area  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0(\mathbf{x}) < \epsilon$ , where  $\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x}) > 0$ .  $L_2$  would be further approximated as  $\tilde{L}_2$ 

$$\tilde{L}_{2} = 2 \int_{\mathbf{x}} (\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x}) - \epsilon) (\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}))$$

$$\frac{1}{4 - (\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2} / (\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$\|\tilde{L}_{2} - L_{2}\| \leq \frac{1}{12} \|1 - 2\epsilon\|$$

$$(26)$$

Furthermore, since  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0(\mathbf{x})$  is learned on the entire source domain dataset as a source-based function that relates to the source domain's distribution density, it re-weights the empirical distribution  $\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x})$  based on a small number of samples from the source domain stored in  $\mathcal{M}$ .

#### 6 EXPERIMENTS

To evaluate the effectiveness of the double-head discriminator algorithm for Continual UDA. We describe the benchmark datasets and other experiment settings in Section C of our appendix. Then we perform the ablation study in Section 6.1. Next, we compare ours with various existing methods in 6.2.

#### 6.1 Ablation Study

Effect of Different Memory Size To investigate the effect of different memory sizes on the model performance, we evaluate the task of continual adaptation to MNISTM, USPS, and SVHN with memory sizes of 8, 16, 32, 64, and 128 on each class of source domain (MNIST). The  $+\infty$  shows the cases of offline adaptation where all source and target data would be accessed in an i.i.d. way. We show our result in Fig (3). With the increasing memory buffer size, the performance would slightly increase. However, our algorithm entails minimal performance loss from the smaller memory buffer size.

The Benefit of Source only Domain Discriminator To investigate the necessary of introducing source-only domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}$  in phase  $T_1$ , we evaluate the contribution of  $h_{\psi,s}$ 's digits on learning the task model  $f_{\omega}$  to adapt on the target domain. Specifically, we use  $h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^1(\mathbf{x}_i)) + \gamma h_{\psi,t}((f_{\omega}^1(\mathbf{x}_i)))$  in Equation (15) as the domain discriminator's signal to

	Office-home Target Domain Adaptations											
Methods	$Ar \rightarrow Cl$	$Ar \rightarrow Pr$	$Ar \rightarrow Re$	$Cl \rightarrow Ar$	$Cl \rightarrow Pr$	$Cl \rightarrow Re$	$Pr \rightarrow Ar$	$Pr \rightarrow Cl$	$Pr \rightarrow Re$	$Re \rightarrow Ar$	$Re \rightarrow Cl$	$Re \rightarrow Pr$
NLL-OT(Asano et al., 2019)	49.1	71.7	77.3	60.2	68.7	73.1	57.0	46.5	76.8	67.0	52.3	79.5
NLL-KL(Zhang et al., 2021)	49.0	71.5	77.1	59.0	68.7	72.9	56.4	46.9	76.6	66.2	52.3	79.1
HD-SHOT(Liang et al., 2020)	48.6	72.8	77.0	60.7	70.0	73.2	56.6	47.0	76.7	67.5	52.6	80.2
SD-SHOT(Liang et al., 2020)	50.1	75.0	78.8	63.2	72.9	76.4	60.0	48.0	79.4	69.2	54.2	81.6
DINE(Liang et al., 2022)	52.2	78.4	81.3	65.3	76.6	78.7	62.7	49.6	82.2	69.8	55.8	84.2
Ours	53.8	78.8	81.9	66.4	77.8	77.9	63.0	52.9	83.2	72.0	59.4	84.9
Ours+KD	54.8	81.1	84.0	67.5	79.0	80.5	65.1	53.8	84.5	73.2	60.0	86.7
Ours+SL	54.0	79.2	82.4	66.8	78.3	79.0	63.7	53.2	83.2	72.8	59.4	85.8
i.i.dadv	54.9	79.0	82.8	67.0	78.7	78.1	63.6	54.2	83.8	72.9	60.8	85.8

Table 1: Comparison of Target Domain Adaptation Performance on Office-home.

		Office-home Source Domain Forgetting										
Methods	$Ar \rightarrow Cl$	$Ar \rightarrow Pr$	$Ar \rightarrow Re$	$Cl \rightarrow Ar$	$Cl \rightarrow Pr$	$Cl \rightarrow Re$	$Pr \rightarrow Ar$	$Pr \rightarrow Cl$	$Pr \rightarrow Re$	$Re \rightarrow Ar$	$Re \rightarrow Cl$	$Re \rightarrow Pr$
NLL-OT(Asano et al., 2019)	10.91	7.64	7.31	12.73	13.18	11.13	7.29	7.72	6.19	7.07	7.28	5.35
NLL-KL(Zhang et al., 2021)	10.93	7.66	7.34	13.01	13.05	10.98	7.27	7.50	6.03	6.97	7.26	5.46
HD-SHOT(Liang et al., 2020)	11.10	9.69	8.06	14.99	15.02	12.06	7.57	7.86	6.58	7.22	7.92	6.02
SD-SHOT(Liang et al., 2020)	11.21	8.93	7.89	15.24	15.55	12.25	7.75	7.93	6.72	7.22	8.13	6.05
DINE(Liang et al., 2022)	9.67	6.66	6.26	9.29	10.02	9.76	6.13	5.92	5.82	6.19	6.05	4.93
Ours	4.52	3.95	3.53	5.12	4.83	4.69	1.93	2.05	1.89	2.12	3.13	1.43

Table 2: Comparison of Source Domain Forgetting Performance on Office-home.

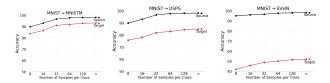


Figure 3: Effect of different memory size on model performance

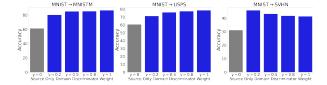


Figure 4: Effect of source only domain discriminator's contribution on target adaptation performance

adapt  $f_{\omega}$ . We shift  $\gamma$  from 0 to 1 where  $h_{\psi,s}$  is gradually mixed with  $h_{\psi,t}$ . The result in Fig (4) showed that the performance is significantly lower in  $\gamma = 0$  where the source-only domain discriminator that is trained in the source phase is not used for adaptation in phase  $T_1$ . In the particular case of  $\gamma = 0$ , it follows the standard setting of domain adversarial training that one domain discriminator is adversarial trained with task predictor on domain adversarial loss. When  $\gamma$  shifted from 0 to 1, the source-only domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}$ 's signal is gradually incorporated into  $h_{\psi,t}$  with a weight determined by  $\gamma$ . Our result emphasizes the importance of introducing an additional pre-trained domain discriminator on the  $S_0$  phase. The choice of  $\gamma$  to ensemble domain predictions from  $h_{\psi,t}$  and  $h_{\psi,s}$  adopts a wide range from 0 to 1. In MNIST to SVHN task,  $\gamma = 0.2$ has a better result because the data variations of SVHN are much larger than MNIST, and a smaller  $\gamma$  would have less empirical error from the target domain side as we have analyzed on Theorem 3.

Effect of Learning Rate and Epoch on Sourceonly Domain Discriminator Training source only domain discriminator has resemblance of one-class learning on a score-based function, the learning rate and epoch plays a important role to assure sensitivity to indistribution data while prevent over saturation. In this section, we investigate the effect of learning rate and epoch on source-only domain discriminator. We plot the combinatorial case on the learning rate of 0.0001, 0.0004, 0.001, and 0.002 and epochs of 1, 3, 5, and 7 training epochs as a heatmap that are shown in Fig (5). We observe that pre-training a source-only domain discriminator in  $S_0$  phase with a smaller learning rate and moderate number of training epochs would lead to better performance of target adaption in  $T_1$  phase. This accords with the observation of the learning rate and epoch's effect on the performance of one-class learning in (Hu et al., 2020). For a stable and optimized performance, we choose the learning epoch source of 5 with a learning rate of 0.0001 in the rest of our experiment.

#### 6.2 Comparison to Existing Continual UDA

Baseline We compare our proposed method with two strong baselines, Knowledge Distillation (KD) and Self-Learning (ST), which are commonly used semi-

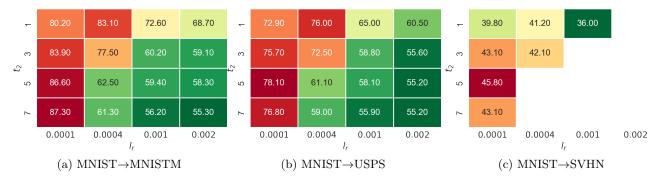


Figure 5: Effect of Source-only Domain Discriminator's learning rate  $l_r$  and training epochs  $t_2$  on target adaptation performance.

supervised learning (SSL) techniques for continual UDA. KD transfers knowledge from the source to the target domain by distilling the source domain teach model's pseudolikelihoods assigned to unlabeled target domain (Hinton et al., 2015). A representative work on KD is DINE (Liang et al., 2022). ST trains the model on source labeled data first, then iteratively assigns pseudo-labels to the unlabeled target domain and trains on the most confident predictions (Nigam and Ghani, 2000). Variants of ST include NLL-OT (Asano et al., 2019) and NLL-KL (Zhang et al., 2021). SHOT (Liang et al., 2020) combines ST with K-Means by assigning pseudo-label from its distance to cluster centroid.

Results with office-31 are presented in Table (3, 4), and those for office-home are shown in Table (1, 2). Nearly all categories of the results in our proposed method show improvement in the target domain adaptation task upon the baseline method. Additionally, our method effectively addresses the issue of catastrophic forgetting on the source domain by employing adversarial adaptation to learn a domain-generalized model. However, our proposed method sometimes only sees minor improvement over baseline or even falls short in rare cases. We believe that this is because of the sub-optimal optimization behavior of adversarial training, which involves minimaximization on saddle point. One way to further improve the performance of our proposed method is to follow with a final stage of SSL fine-tuning. As SSL performance improves with decreasing domain discrepancy (Ben-David et al., 2010; Zhao et al., 2019; Kumar et al., 2020), our proposed method can be used as a pre-processing step for SSL. This can potentially lead to improved SSL performance. There is no surprise that Ours+KD achieve over 2% performance increase among all categories of baseline methods including purely adversarial adaptation in i.i.d. settings as the result of a final stage fine-tuning. Because the combined use of SSL and adversarial domain adaptation would achieve better results than each individual one. As a result of final stage fune-tuning

	Office-31 Target Domain Adaptations						
Methods	$A \to W$	$D \to W$	$W \to D$	$A \rightarrow D$	$D \rightarrow A$	$W \to A$	
NLL-OT(Asano et al., 2019)	85.5	95.1	98.7	88.8	64.6	66.7	
NLL-KL(Zhang et al., 2021)	86.8	94.8	98.7	89.4	65.1	67.1	
HD-SHOT(Liang et al., 2020)	83.1	95.1	98.1	86.5	66.1	68.9	
SD-SHOT(Liang et al., 2020)	83.7	95.3	97.1	89.2	67.9	71.1	
DINE(Liang et al., 2022)	86.8	96.2	98.6	91.6	72.2	73.3	
Ours	92.6	97.3	99.2	92.0	73.9	73.8	
Ours+KD	93.8	98.4	100.0	93.8	74.0	75.6	
Ours+SL	93.2	97.7	100.0	92.5	73.9	74.4	
i.i.dadv	94.5	98.4	100.0	93.5	74.6	74.2	

Table 3: Office-31 Target Domain Adaptation

	Office-31 Source Domain Forgetting					
Methods	$A \rightarrow W$	$D \to W$	$W \rightarrow D$	$A \rightarrow D$	$D \rightarrow A$	$W \to A$
NLL-OT(Asano et al., 2019)	4.53	3.14	2.73	4.30	6.17	5.11
NLL-KL(Zhang et al., 2021)	4.37	2.99	2.48	4.02	5.94	4.99
HD-SHOT(Liang et al., 2020)	5.12	4.01	3.98	4.87	7.80	5.56
SD-SHOT(Liang et al., 2020)	5.31	4.54	4.03	4.85	7.88	5.72
DINE(Liang et al., 2022)	3.81	2.16	1.50	3.32	5.08	3.98
Ours	1.97	1.03	0.98	1.55	3.72	2.96

Table 4: Office-31 Source Domain Forgetting

with KD after our proposed adversarial domain adaptation, we would achieve over 2% performance increase among all categories of baseline methods on Ours+KD in CL including purely adversarial adaptation in i.i.d. settings.

# 7 CONCLUSION

We have proposed a double-head discriminator algorithm for continual adversarial domain adaptation. With our introduced source-only domain discriminator, the empirical estimation error of the  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence in domain adversarial loss is reduced from the source domain side. Extensive experiments have shown that our proposed algorithm has consistently outperformed the existing baseline. For future work, we would focus on a memory-free continual adversarial UDA algorithm.

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# Supplementary Materials

#### 1 OVERVIEW OF ADVERSARIAL DOMAIN ADAPTATION

Let T and S be the source and target distributions, respectively. In a general formulation, the upper bound of the target prediction error is given by Ben-David et.al., (Ben-David et al., 2010)

**Theorem 1.** Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the hypothesis space. For any classifier  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $err_S$  denotes the population loss of a classifier  $f \in \mathcal{F}$  under the source distribution S, i.e.,  $err_S(f) \triangleq \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i) \sim S}[\ell(f(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i)]$  And  $err_T(f)$  parallel notates for the target domain error. respectively. Then for any classifier  $f \in \mathcal{H}$ ,

$$err_S(f) \le err_T(f) + d_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{T}, \mathcal{S}) + \min_{f^* \in \mathcal{F}} \{err_S(f^*) + err_T(f^*)\},$$
 (1)

where  $d_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}(\mathcal{T},\mathcal{S})$  is a discrepancy-based distance, known as the  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence, and  $\min_{f^*\in\mathcal{H}}\{err_{\mathcal{P}}(f^*)+err_{\mathcal{Q}}(f^*)\}$  is the optimal joint error, i.e., the sum of source and target domain's population loss of f in a hypothesis class  $\mathcal{F}$ .

For the unsupervised domain adaptation problem, it has been proven that minimizing the upper bound, which is the r.h.s in (1), leads to an architecture consisting of a feature extractor parameterized by  $\omega$ , i.e.,  $f_{\omega}^{1}$ , a label predictor, parameterized also by  $\omega$  i.e.,  $f_{\omega}^{2}$  (  $f_{\omega} \triangleq f_{\omega}^{2} \circ f_{\omega}^{1}$ ), <sup>1</sup> and a domain classifier parameterized by  $\psi$ , i.e.,  $h_{\psi}$ , as shown in Fig (1) (Ganin and Lempitsky, 2015; Zhao et al., 2018). The feature extractor generates the domain-independent feature representations, which are then fed into the domain classifier and label predictor. The domain classifier then tries to determine whether the extracted features belong to the source or target domain. Meanwhile, the label predictor predicts instance labels based on the extracted features of the labeled source-domain instances.

In Adversarial Domain Adaptation, an additional learning objective of  $d_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}$  is introduced to encourage the extracted features to be both discriminative and invariant to changes between the source and target domains. By extending the  $\mathcal{H}$ -divergence to general loss function in (Mansour et al., 2009), r.h.s in (1) is equivalent as

$$\min_{\omega} \max_{\psi} \triangleq \mathbb{E}_{(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, y_{i}) \sim S} \ell(f_{\omega}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}), y_{i}) + \nu \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s} \sim S} D_{\psi}^{s}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) + \nu \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t} \sim T} D_{\psi}^{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})$$
(2)

where 
$$D_{\psi}^{s}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) \triangleq D^{s}(h_{\psi}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})) \text{ and } D_{\psi}^{t}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}) \triangleq -D^{t}(h_{\psi}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})))$$

In the majority of domain adversarial problems,  $d_{\mathcal{H}\Delta\mathcal{H}}$  is reformulated as the difference between the parameterized output of the domain classifier on the source domain and the target domain, given by  $\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_i^s \sim S} D_{\psi}^s(\mathbf{x}_i^s) + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_i^t \sim T} D_{\psi}^t(\mathbf{x}_i^t)$ . This term is commonly referred to as the *domain adversarial loss*.

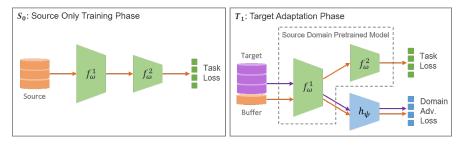


Figure 1: A continual adversarial domain adaptation model. Only the source risk of the client's local source data is accessible in source only training phase. A small set of buffered source domain data and target domain data is adversarial trained in target adaptation phase.

The parameters of  $f^1$  and  $f^2$  are not the same. In this case, we abuse the notation to simplify the expression.

# 2 HOLISTIC REGULATED ONE-CLASS DOMAIN DISCRIMINATOR

Hu et.al, (Hu et al., 2020) proposed HRN, a simple but efficient deep one-class learning algorithm. And we adopt HRN as another training oracle for source only domain discriminator with scalar domain discriminators  $h_{\psi,s}: \mathcal{Z} \in \mathbb{F} \to \mathbb{R}$  such as DANN (Ganin et al., 2016) and CDAN (Long et al., 2017).

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}_{t}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s} \sim S}[-\log(\sigma(h_{\psi,s}((\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})))))] + \lambda \|\nabla_{\mathbf{z}} h_{\psi,s}(\mathbf{z}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}))\|_{2}^{n}$$
(3)

where  $\mathbf{z}$  is the domain features that are fed as the input to domain discriminator. In general, the domain features that could be used for  $\mathbf{z}$  include but not limited to the following cases:

• Domain-Adversarial Neural Networks (DANN) (Ganin et al., 2016),  $\mathbf{z}$  is designed simply to be the domain invariant feature  $f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})$ 

$$\mathbf{z} \triangleq f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) \tag{4}$$

• Conditional Domain Adaptation Network (CDAN) (Long et al., 2017), **z** is from the cross-product space of  $f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})$  and  $f_{\omega}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})$ 

$$\mathbf{z} \triangleq f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) \otimes f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}) \tag{5}$$

Apart from the commonly adopted NLL for classification, HRN adds an additional regularization term on the n's power of scalar domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}(\cdot)$ 's gradient norm. And n is the exponential term which is used with  $\lambda$  to control the strength of regularization. The full description of our double-head domain discriminator algorithm for scalar domain discriminator is shown in Algorithm 2.

#### 3 EXPERIMENT SETUP

MNISTM (Ganin et al., 2016) is a dataset that demonstrates domain adaptation by combining MNIST with randomly colored image patches from the BSD500 dataset.

USPS (Hull, 1994) is a digit dataset automatically scanned from envelopes by the U.S. Postal Service containing pixel grayscale samples. The images are centered, normalized. And a broad range of font styles are shown in the dataset.

**SVHN** has RGB images of printed digits clipped from photographs of house number plates. The trimmed photos are centered on the digit of interest while surrounding digits and other distractions are retained. Photos of house numbers in various countries was used to create the SVHN dataset.

Office-31 (Saenko et al., 2010) is a typical domain adaptation dataset made up of three distinct domains with 31 categories in each domain. There are 4,652 images in total from 31 classes.

Office-home (Venkateswara et al., 2017) is a typical domain adaptation dataset made up of four distinct domains with 65 categories in each domain. There are total 15,500 images in total from 65 classes

Implementation Details On MNISTM, USPS and SVHN, we use a three-layer convolutional network as the invariant feature extractor, and the network models are trained from random initialization on server. On Office-31 and Office-home, we use the pre-trained ResNet50 (He et al., 2016) on ImageNet (Russakovsky et al., 2015) as the feature extractor. Both the task classifier and the domain classifier are two-layer fully-connected neural networks. The domain classifier's parameter are trained from random initialization in all settings. In Office-31 and Office-home datasets, we set the memory buffer size as 10 samples per class. We uniformly use supervised training in source domain data for 15 epochs in  $S_0$  phase. Following supervised supervised training, we train freeze our task model and train source only domain classifier for 5 epochs in all remaining experiment except for ablation study. Learning rate of task model and domain discriminator is fixed with 0.001 on Adam optimizer. The source only domain discriminator is trained with Adam optimizer of learning rate 0.0001 for 5 epochs in all remaining experiment except for ablation study.

# 4 ADDITIONAL EXPERIMENT RESULT FOR HRN

Table 4: Experiment on testing with holistic-regulated training on source-only domain discriminator. The source-only domain discriminator  $h_{\psi,s}$  of scalar output is trained on holistic regulated one-class loss in Equation (3).

#### Algorithm 1 Double Head Discriminator Algorithm

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1: Initialization: Task Model f_{\omega} \triangleq f_{\omega}^2 \circ f_{\omega}^1
2: Source Only multi-class Domain Classifier h_{\psi,s}
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Phase 1 - Source Only training phase

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3: procedure Task Model Training Phase
           for t \in \{1, ..., t_1\} do
 4:
                for \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_K, y_K)\} \stackrel{K}{\sim} S_0 do L = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^{K} \ell(f_{\omega}(\mathbf{x}_i), y_i)
 5:
 6:
                     \omega \to SGD(L,\omega)
                                                                                                                ▶ Train Task Model on Source Domain
 7:
                end for
 8:
 9:
           end for
10: end procedure
     procedure Source Only Domain Classifier Training Phase
           for t \in \{1, ..., t_2\} do
12:
                for (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_K) \stackrel{K}{\sim} S_0 do
13:
                     d'(\mathbf{x}) \to \arg\max_{c} f_{\omega}(\mathbf{x}_{i}, c) \qquad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \{\mathbf{x}_{1} \dots \mathbf{x}_{K}\}\
                                                                                                     ▷ Get Pseudo Domain Label from Task Model
14:
                     D = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=i}^{K} -\log(\operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi,s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i})), d'(\mathbf{x}_{i})))
15:
                     \psi_s \to \widetilde{SGD}(D, \psi_s)
16:
                                                                                                           ▶ Train on Source Only Domain Classifier
                end for
17:
           end for
18:
19: end procedure
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Phase 2 - Sample on Source Domain Replay Memory

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20: procedure MEMORY SAMPLE PHASE

21: \mathcal{M} \to \{\}

22: for c \in \{1, \dots, C\} do

23: Sample \{(\mathbf{x}_1, c), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_N, c)\} \stackrel{N}{\sim} S_0

24: \mathcal{M}.append(\{(\mathbf{x}_1, c), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_N, c)\}) \triangleright Store N data per class on source domain on Replay Memory

25: end for

26: end procedure
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Phase 3 - Unlabeled Target Adaptation Phase with Memory Reply

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27: Initialization: Target Adaptation Phase multi-class Domain Classifier h_{\psi,t}
 28: procedure Target Phase
                                                             for t \in \{1, ..., t_3\} do
 29:
                                                                                        for \{(\mathbf{x}_1^s, y_1^s), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_K^s, y_K^s)\} \stackrel{K}{\sim} \mathcal{M}, (\mathbf{x}_1^t \dots, \mathbf{x}_K^t) \stackrel{K}{\sim} T_1 do
30:
                                                                                                                   L = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^{K} \ell(f_{\omega}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}), y_{i}^{s})
\mathbf{d}'(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow \arg \max_{c} f_{\omega}(\mathbf{x}, c) \quad \forall \mathbf{x} \in \{\mathbf{x}_{1}^{s} \dots \mathbf{x}_{K}^{s}, \mathbf{x}_{1}^{t} \dots \mathbf{x}_{K}^{t}\}
D_{\psi, t} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^{K} -\log(\operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi, t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})), \mathbf{d}'(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}))) - \log(1 - \operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi, t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})), \mathbf{d}'(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})))
D_{\psi} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=1}^{K} -\log(\operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi, s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})) + h_{\psi, t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})), \mathbf{d}'(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}))) - \log(1 - \operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi, s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})) + h_{\psi, t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})))) - \log(1 - \operatorname{softmax}(h_{\psi, s}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t})))) + h_{\psi, t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})) + h_{\psi, t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})) - h_{\omega, t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s})) + h_{\psi, t}(f_{\omega}^{1}(\mathbf{
31:
 32:
 33:
 34:
                                h_{\psi,t}(f_{\omega}^1(\mathbf{x}_i^t)),\mathbf{d}'(\mathbf{x}_i^t)))
                                                                                                                     \omega \to SGD(L - \beta D_{\psi}, \omega)
 35:
                                                                                                                      \psi_t \to SGD(D_{\psi,t}, \psi_t)
 36:
37:
                                                                                          end for
                                                             end for
 38:
39: end procedure
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# Algorithm 2 Double Head Discriminator Algorithm For Scalar Domain Discriminator

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Initialization: Task Model f_{\omega} \triangleq f_{\omega}^2 \circ f_{\omega}^1
Source Only scalar Domain Classifier h_{\psi,s}
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#### Phase 1 - Source Only training phase

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procedure Task Model Training Phase for t \in \{1,\dots,t_1\} do  for \ \{(\mathbf{x}_1,y_1),\dots,(\mathbf{x}_K,y_K)\} \overset{K}{\sim} S_0 \ \mathbf{do}  L = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=i}^K \ell(f_\omega(\mathbf{x}_i),y_i) \qquad \qquad \triangleright Train Task Model on Source Domain end for end for end procedure procedure Source Only Domain Classifier Training Phase for t \in \{1,\dots,t_2\} do  for \ (\mathbf{x}_1,\dots,\mathbf{x}_K) \overset{K}{\sim} S_0 \ \mathbf{do}  D = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=i}^K -\log(\sigma(h_{\psi,s}(f_\omega^1(\mathbf{x}_i)),) + \lambda \|\nabla_{\mathbf{z}}h_{\psi,s}(\mathbf{z})|_{\mathbf{z}=f_\omega^1(\mathbf{x}_i)}\|_2^n  \qquad \qquad \triangleright Train on Source Only Domain Classifier end for end procedure
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Phase 2 - Sample on Source Domain Replay Memory

Phase 3 - Unlabeled Target Adaptation Phase with Memory Reply

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Initialization: Target Adaptation Phase scalar Domain Classifier h_{\psi,t} procedure Target Adaptation Phase for t \in \{1, \dots, t_3\} do  \begin{aligned} & \text{for } t \in \{1, \dots, t_3\} \text{ do} \\ & \text{for } \{(\mathbf{x}_1^s, y_1^s), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_K^s, y_K^s)\} \overset{K}{\sim} \mathcal{M}, \, (\mathbf{x}_1^t \dots, \mathbf{x}_K^t) \overset{K}{\sim} T_1 \text{ do} \\ & L = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=i}^K \ell(f_\omega(\mathbf{x}_i^s), y_i) \\ & D_{\psi,t} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=i}^K -\log(\sigma(h_{\psi,t}(f_\omega^1(\mathbf{x}_i^s)))) - \log(\sigma(-h_{\psi,t}(f_\omega^1(\mathbf{x}_i^t)))) \\ & D_\psi = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i=i}^K -\log(\sigma(h_{\psi,s}(f_\omega^1(\mathbf{x}_i^s)) + h_{\psi,t}(f_\omega^1(\mathbf{x}_i^s)))) - \log(\sigma(-h_{\psi,s}(f_\omega^1(\mathbf{x}_i^t)) - h_{\psi,t}(f_\omega^1(\mathbf{x}_i^t)))) \\ & \omega \to SGD(L - \beta D_\psi, \omega) \\ & \psi_t \to SGD(D_{\psi,t}, \psi_t) \\ & \text{end for} \\ & \text{end for} \\ & \text{end procedure} \end{aligned}
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Table 1: Holistic Regulated One-class Domain Discriminator.

Discriminator Used	$\mathrm{DANN}(T_1\mathrm{Only})$	$CDAN(T_1Only)$	HRN-DANN	HRN-CDAN
$\begin{array}{l} \text{MNIST} \rightarrow \text{MNISTM} \\ \text{MNIST} \rightarrow \text{USPS} \\ \text{MNIST} \rightarrow \text{SVHN} \end{array}$	58.8	59.2	78.1	80.3
	60.6	62.3	69.1	73.4
	32.1	35.7	37.5	40.8

The rest of domain adversarial training is the same as in Algorithm (2) using the ensembles of two discriminators digits as domain invariant signals for feature extractor,  $f_{\omega}^1$ . n=6 and  $\lambda=0.1$  is used as holistic regulated loss on  $h_{\psi,s}$  for stable performance. In general, including a holistic regulated source-only domain discriminator has performance improvement over using single domain discriminator in  $T_1$  only. However the HRN method of training a scalar domain discriminator is inferior than MDD included multi-class domain discriminator for continual UDA.

# 5 PROOF OF THEOREM 2

**Lemma 1.** (Lemma C.1, (Zhang et al., 2019)) For any distribution D and any f, we have

$$disp_D^{(\rho)}(f', f) = err_D^{(\rho)}(f') + err_D^{(\rho)}(f)$$
 (6)

**Theorem 2.** For a hypothesis class  $\mathcal{F}$  and a fixed  $f_0 \in \mathcal{F}$  where for every  $f \in \mathcal{F}$ ,  $f - f_0$  is also in  $\mathcal{F}$ , then we have the following property holds

$$err_T(f) \le err_S^{(\rho)}(f) + d_{f,f_0,\mathcal{F}}^{(\rho)}(S,T) + \lambda$$
 (7)

where  $err_S^{(\rho)}(f)$ ,  $d_{f,f_0,\mathcal{F}}^{(\rho)}(S,T)$  and  $\lambda$  is defined as

$$err_{S}^{(\rho)}(f) = \mathbb{E}_{(x_{i},y_{i})\sim S}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f}(x_{i},y_{i})$$

$$d_{f,f_{0},\mathcal{F}}^{(\rho)}(S,T) = \sup_{f'\in\mathcal{F}} \{\mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim T}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f'+f_{0}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i})) - \mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim S}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f'+f_{0}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i}))\}$$

$$\lambda = \min_{f^{\star}\in\mathcal{F}} err_{S}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star}) + err_{T}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star}),$$
(8)

*Proof.* We first define  $f^*$  be the ideal joint hypothesis which minimizes the combined margin loss,

$$f^* \triangleq \underset{f \in \mathcal{F}}{\operatorname{arg\,min}} \{ err_S^{(\rho)}(f) + err_T^{(\rho)}(f) \}$$
 (9)

$$err_T(f) \leq \mathbb{E}_T \mathbb{1}[h_f \neq h_{f^*}] + \mathbb{E}_T \mathbb{1}[h_{f^*} \neq y]$$

$$\leq err_S^{(\rho)}(f) - err_S^{(\rho)}(f) + disp_T^{(\rho)}(f^*, f) + err_T^{(\rho)}(f^*)$$
(10)

From the triangular inequality of margin discrepancy (Lemma C.1, (Zhang et al., 2019)), we have

$$err_{T}(f) \leq err_{S}^{(\rho)}(f) - err_{S}^{(\rho)}(f) + disp_{T}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star}, f) + err_{T}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star})$$

$$\leq err_{S}^{(\rho)}(f) + err_{S}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star}) - disp_{S}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star}, f) + disp_{T}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star}, f) + err_{T}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star})$$
(11)

Let we define  $f_1 \triangleq f^* - f_0$ . From the properties of hypothesis class  $\mathcal{F}$ , we have  $f_1 \in \mathcal{F}$ . By substituting the definition of  $f_1$  into  $disp_S^{(\rho)}(f^*, f)$  and  $disp_T^{(\rho)}(f^*, f)$ , we have

$$disp_{T}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star},f) - disp_{S}^{(\rho)}(f^{\star},f) = \mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim T}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f^{\star}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i})) - \mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim S}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f^{\star}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i}))$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim T}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f_{1}+f_{0}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i})) - \mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim S}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f_{1}+f_{0}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i}))$$

$$\leq \sup_{f'\in\mathcal{F}} \{\mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim T}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f'+f_{0}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i})) - \mathbb{E}_{x_{i}\sim S}\Phi_{\rho} \circ \rho_{f'+f_{0}}(x_{i},h_{f}(x_{i}))\}$$

$$= d_{f,f_{0},\mathcal{F}}^{(\rho)}(S,T)$$

$$(12)$$

By substituting Eq (12) into Eq (11), we finally reach

$$err_T(f) \le err_S^{(\rho)}(f) + d_{f,f_0,\mathcal{F}}^{(\rho)}(S,T) + \lambda$$
 (13)

### 6 PROOF OF THEOREM 3

**Lemma 2.** (Theorem 3.3, (Mohri et al., 2018)) Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a family of functions mapping  $\mathcal{X} \in \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{R}$ . Then for any  $\delta > 0$ , with probability at least  $1 - \delta$  over the draw of i.i.d samples from sample S of size m, each of the following holds for all  $g \in \mathcal{G}$ 

$$\mathbb{E}[g(z)] \le \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} g(z_i) + 2\Re_m(\mathcal{G}) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2m}}$$
(14)

**Lemma 3.** (Talagrand's lemma, (Mohri et al., 2018)) Let  $\Psi_i : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be an l-Lipschitz. Then for any hypothesis set  $\mathcal{G}$  of real valued functions, and for any sample D of size n, the following inequality holds:

$$\mathbb{E}_{\delta} \sup_{g \in \mathcal{G}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \delta_i(\Psi_i \circ g)(\mathbf{x}_i) \le l \hat{\Re}_{n,\hat{D}}(\mathcal{G})$$
(15)

**Theorem 3.** Let  $f_0 \in \mathcal{F}$  be a fixed source function that maps from  $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} \to \mathbb{R}$  that is trained on source domain only which satisfies  $\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}^s, h_f) \geq \epsilon_s$  for source domain data  $\mathbf{x}^s \in S$  and  $\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}^t, h_f) \leq \epsilon_t$  for target domain data as outliers  $\mathbf{x}^t \in T$ .  $\mathbf{x}_i^s$  is an i.i.d sample of size m drawn from the source distribution S and  $\mathbf{x}_t^s$  is an i.i.d sample of size n drawn from the target distribution T. Given the same settings as Definition (4.1). For any  $\delta > 0$ , with the probability at least  $1 - 2\delta$ , we have the following generalization error bound for domain discrepancy loss function

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{s} \in S} \left[ \log \left( \frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}} \right) \right] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{t} \in T} \left[ \log \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f})}} \right) \right] \\
\leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \log \left( \frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}_{i}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}_{i}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}_{i}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}_{i}, h_{f})}} \right) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}_{i}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}_{i}, h_{f})}} \right) \\
+ \max \left\{ \frac{2}{(e^{\epsilon_{s}} - 1)\lambda_{s}^{+} + 1}, \frac{2}{(e^{\epsilon_{s}} - 1)\lambda_{s}^{-} + 1} \right\} \Re_{m, \mathcal{D}_{s}} (\mathcal{G}_{s}) \\
+ \max \left\{ \frac{2e^{\epsilon_{t}}}{(1 - \lambda_{t}^{+})e^{\epsilon_{t}} + \lambda_{t}^{+}}, \frac{2e^{\epsilon_{t}}}{(1 - \lambda_{t}^{-})e^{\epsilon_{t}} + \lambda_{t}^{-}} \right\} \Re_{n, \mathcal{D}_{t}} (\mathcal{G}_{t}) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2m}} + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2n}} \right\} \right\}$$
(16)

where  $\lambda_s$  and  $\lambda_t$  is defined as

$$\lambda_{s}^{-} = \min\left\{\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}\right\}, \lambda_{s}^{+} = \max\left\{\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}\right\}, \forall \mathbf{x}^{s} \in S$$

$$\lambda_{t}^{-} = \min\left\{\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f})}}\right\}, \lambda_{t}^{+} = \max\left\{\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f})}}\right\}, \forall \mathbf{x}^{t} \in T$$

$$(17)$$

*Proof.* We first define  $z_i^s$  as

$$z_i^s \triangleq \log(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)}}) \tag{18}$$

From the above Equation, we have

$$e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)} = \frac{e^{z_i^s}}{1 - e^{z_i^s}} \tag{19}$$

Then by substituting the above equation into  $\log(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x},h_f)+\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i,h_f)}}{1+e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x},h_f)+\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i,h_f)}})$ , we have

$$\log\left(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x},h_f) + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i,h_f)}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x},h_f) + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i,h_f)}}\right) = \log\left(\frac{e^{z_i^s + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i,h_f)}}{e^{z_i^s + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i,h_f)} + 1 - e^{z_i^s}}\right)$$
(20)

Define the following transformation function

$$\Gamma_i(z_i^s) = \log(\frac{e^{z_i^s + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)}}{e^{z_i^s + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)} + 1 - e^{z_i^s}})$$
(21)

By Lemma 2, with probability at least  $1 - \delta$ , for any  $g_s \in \mathcal{G}_s$ .

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^s \in S}\left[\log\left(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^s, h_f) + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}^s, h_f)}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^s, h_f) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^s, h_f)}}\right)\right] - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \log\left(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^s_i, h_f) + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}^s_i, h_f)}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^s_i, h_f) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^s_i, h_f)}}\right) \le 2\Re_{m, \mathcal{D}_s}(\Gamma_i \circ \mathcal{G}_s) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2m}}$$
(22)

Next we take gradient on  $\Gamma_i$ 

$$\Gamma_i'(z_i^s) = \frac{1}{e^{z_i^s + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)} + 1 - e^{z_i^s}}$$
(23)

From the definition of  $z_i^s, \lambda_s, \epsilon_s$ , we have

$$0 \le e^{z_i^s} \le 1, \quad \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f) \ge \epsilon_s \tag{24}$$

Then we can bound  $\Gamma'_i$  by

$$0 \le \Gamma_i'(z_i^s) \le \frac{1}{(e^{\epsilon_s} - 1)e^{z_i^s} + 1} \tag{25}$$

As  $e^{z_i^s}$  takes value between  $[\lambda_s^-, \lambda_s^+]$ , using the properties of linear functions, we have

$$0 \le \Gamma_i'(z_i^s) \le l_{\Gamma} = \max\{\frac{1}{(e^{\epsilon_s} - 1)\lambda_s^- + 1}, \frac{1}{(e^{\epsilon_s} - 1)\lambda_s^+ + 1}\}$$
 (26)

Therefore  $\Gamma_i$  is  $l_{\Gamma}$ -Lipschitz. By applying the Lemma 3 into inequality (22), we have the following inequality holds with probability at least  $1 - \delta$ 

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{s} \in S}\left[\log\left(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}\right)\right] - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \log\left(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, h_{f})}}\right) \leq 2\Re_{m, \mathcal{D}_{s}}(\Gamma_{i} \circ \mathcal{G}_{s}) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2m}}$$

$$\leq \max\left\{\frac{2}{(e^{\epsilon_{s}} - 1)\lambda_{s}^{+} + 1}, \frac{2}{(e^{\epsilon_{s}} - 1)\lambda_{s}^{-} + 1}\right\}\Re_{m, \mathcal{D}_{s}}(\mathcal{G}_{s}) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2m}}$$
(27)

Similarly we define  $z_i^t$ 

$$z_i^t \triangleq \log(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)}}) \tag{28}$$

From the above Equation, we have

$$e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)} = e^{-z_i^t} - 1 \tag{29}$$

Then by substituting the above equation into  $\log(\frac{1}{1+e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x},h_f)+\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i,h_f)}})$ , we have

$$\log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}, h_f) + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)}}\right) = \log\left(\frac{1}{e^{z_i^t + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)} + 1 - e^{z_i^t}}\right)$$
(30)

Similarly we define the following transformation function

$$\Psi_i(z_i^t) = \log(\frac{1}{e^{z_i^t + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)} + 1 - e^{z_i^t}})$$
(31)

By Lemma 2, with probability at least  $1 - \delta$ , for any  $g_t \in \mathcal{G}_t$ .

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^t \in T}\left[\log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^t, h_f) + \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}^t, h_f)}}\right)\right] - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^t_i, h_f) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^t_i, h_f)}}\right) \le 2\Re_{n, \mathcal{D}_t}(\Psi_i \circ \mathcal{G}_t) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2n}} \quad (32)$$

Next we take gradient on  $\Psi_i$ 

$$\Psi_i'(z_i^t) = \frac{e^{\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)}}{e^{\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f)} - e^{\rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f) + z_i^t} + e^{z_i^t}}$$
(33)

From the definition of  $z_i^t, \lambda_t, \epsilon_t$ , we have

$$0 \le e^{z_i^t} \le 1, \quad \rho_{f_0}(\mathbf{x}_i, h_f) \le \epsilon_t \tag{34}$$

Then we can bound  $\Psi'_i$  by

$$0 \le \Psi_i'(z_i^t) \le \frac{e^{\epsilon_t}}{(1 - e^{z_i^t})e^{\epsilon_t} + e^{z_i^t}} \tag{35}$$

As  $e^{\epsilon_t}$  takes value between  $[\lambda_t^-, \lambda_t^+]$ , using properties of linear functions, we have

$$0 \le \Psi_i'(z_i^t) \le l_{\Psi} = \max\{\frac{e^{\epsilon_t}}{(1 - \lambda_t^-)e^{\epsilon_t} + \lambda_t^-}, \frac{e^{\epsilon_t}}{(1 - \lambda_t^+)e^{\epsilon_t} + \lambda_t^+}\}$$

$$(36)$$

Therefore  $\Psi_i$  is  $l_{\Psi}$ -Lipschitz. By applying the Lemma 3 into Inequality (32), we have the following inequality holds with probability at least  $1 - \delta$ 

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{t} \in T}\left[\log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f})}}\right)\right] - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}_{i}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}_{i}, h_{f})}}\right) \leq 2\Re_{n, \mathcal{D}_{t}}(\Psi_{i} \circ \mathcal{G}_{t}) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2n}}$$

$$\leq \max\left\{\frac{2e^{\epsilon_{t}}}{(1 - \lambda_{t}^{-})e^{\epsilon_{t}} + \lambda_{t}^{-}}, \frac{2e^{\epsilon_{t}}}{(1 - \lambda_{t}^{+})e^{\epsilon_{t}} + \lambda_{t}^{+}}\right\}\Re_{n, \mathcal{D}_{t}}(\mathcal{G}_{t}) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{2n}}}$$
(37)

By summing up Equation (37) with (27), we have the following inequality holds with probability at least  $1-2\delta$ 

$$\mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{s} \in S}\left[\log\left(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{s}, h_{f})}}\right)\right] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x}^{t} \in T}\left[\log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}^{t}, h_{f})}}\right)\right] \\
\leq \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \log\left(\frac{e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f_{0}}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, h_{f})}}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{s}, h_{f})}}\right) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}, h_{f}) + \rho_{f'}(\mathbf{x}_{i}^{t}, h_{f})}}\right) \\
+ \max\left\{\frac{2}{(e^{\epsilon_{s}} - 1)\lambda_{s}^{+} + 1}, \frac{2}{(e^{\epsilon_{s}} - 1)\lambda_{s}^{-} + 1}\right\} \Re_{m, \mathcal{D}_{s}}(\mathcal{G}_{s}) \\
+ \max\left\{\frac{2e^{\epsilon_{t}}}{(1 - \lambda_{t}^{+})e^{\epsilon_{t}} + \lambda_{t}^{+}}, \frac{2e^{\epsilon_{t}}}{(1 - \lambda_{t}^{-})e^{\epsilon_{t}} + \lambda_{t}^{-}}\right\} \Re_{n, \mathcal{D}_{t}}(\mathcal{G}_{t}) + \sqrt{\frac{\log\frac{1}{\delta}}{2m}} + \sqrt{\frac{\log\frac{1}{\delta}}{2n}} \right\} \right\}$$
(38)

which completes the proof

#### 7 PROOF OF PROPOSITION 1

**Proposition 1.** Consider the following optimization problem we have defined

$$\max_{f} \mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\sigma_{h_f} \circ f') + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(1 - \sigma_{h_f} \circ f')$$
(39)

$$\min_{\hat{S},\hat{T}} \mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f' + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0) + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(1 - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f' - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0)$$
(40)

Assume that there is no restriction on the choice of f'. By fixing  $f_0$ , we have the following two results.

1. The optimal value of  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f'$  on data x is

$$\frac{\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})} \tag{41}$$

where  $\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x})$  and  $\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})$  are density functions of source and target domain empirical distributions

2. The minimization problem w.r.t S and T is equivalent to minimization on the sum of two terms  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , where

$$L_{1} = 4KL(\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S}||\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}) + 4KL(\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}||\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S})$$

$$+ 4KL(\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T}||\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}) + 4KL(\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}||\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T})$$

$$(42)$$

is a symmetric distribution divergence between  $\hat{S}$  and  $\hat{T}$  and has global minimum of  $\hat{S} = \hat{T}$ 

$$L_2 = \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0(\mathbf{x}))(\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x})) \frac{1}{4 - (\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x}))^2 / (\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x}))^2} d\mathbf{x}$$
(43)

is a re-weighted bounds on the total variations between  $\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x})$  and  $\hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})$ 

*Proof.* For maximization w.r.t target adaptation domain discriminator f', we have

$$\mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\sigma_{h_f} \circ f') + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(1 - \sigma_{h_f} \circ f')$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{x}} \hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x}) \log(\sigma_{h_f} \circ f') + \hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x}) \log(1 - \sigma_{h_f} \circ f') d\mathbf{x}$$
(44)

As we relaxed the restriction on  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f'$ , we could find that the maximization of  $p(x) \log(\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_t) + q(x) \log(1 - \sigma_{h_f} \circ f')$  could be satisfied on every  $x \in \mathbb{D}$  as  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f'$  reaches

$$\sigma_{h_f} \circ f'(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x})}{\hat{p}_s(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_t(\mathbf{x})}$$
(45)

The above optimal value of  $\sigma_{h_f} \circ f'(\mathbf{x})$  could be derived from simple calculus.

Then we analyze the maximization bounds w.r.t  $\hat{S}$  and  $\hat{T}$  on the equilibrium condition of target adaptation domain discriminator f'. By substituting the equilibrium condition of (45) into (40)

$$D = \mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f' + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0) + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(1 - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0 - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f')$$

$$= \mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\frac{\hat{S}}{2(\hat{S} + \hat{T})} + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0) + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_f} \circ f_0 + \frac{\hat{T}}{2(\hat{S} + \hat{T})})$$
(46)

Using first order Taylor expansion, we have

$$D = \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\hat{S}}{2(\hat{S} + \hat{T})}) + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\hat{T}}{2(\hat{S} + \hat{T})})}_{L_{1}}$$

$$- \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \frac{4(\hat{S} + \hat{T})}{3\hat{S} + \hat{T}} (\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}) + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \frac{4(\hat{S} + \hat{T})}{3\hat{T} + \hat{S}} (\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{2}\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0})}_{L_{2}}$$

$$(47)$$

As we depose the D into term  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , we could further write  $L_1$  as

$$L_{1} = \mathbb{E}_{\hat{S}} \log(\frac{3\hat{S} + \hat{T}}{4(\hat{S} + \hat{T})}) + \mathbb{E}_{\hat{T}} \log(\frac{3\hat{T} + \hat{S}}{4(\hat{S} + \hat{T})})$$

$$= -4\mathbb{E}_{\frac{1}{2}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{T}} \log(\frac{3\hat{S} + \hat{T}}{4(\hat{S} + \hat{T})}) + 4\mathbb{E}_{\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T}} \log(\frac{3\hat{S} + \hat{T}}{4(\hat{S} + \hat{T})})$$

$$- 4\mathbb{E}_{\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}} \log(\frac{3\hat{T} + \hat{S}}{4(\hat{S} + \hat{T})})) + 4\mathbb{E}_{\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S}} \log(\frac{3\hat{T} + \hat{S}}{4(\hat{S} + \hat{T})})$$

$$= -4\mathbb{E}_{\frac{1}{2}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{T}} \log(\frac{1}{8}\frac{\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T}}{\frac{1}{2}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{T}}) + 4\mathbb{E}_{\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T}} \log(\frac{1}{8}\frac{\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T}}{\frac{1}{2}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{T}})$$

$$- 4\mathbb{E}_{\frac{1}{2}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{T}} \log(\frac{1}{8}\frac{\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S}}{\frac{1}{2}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{T}}) + 4\mathbb{E}_{\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S}} \log(\frac{1}{8}\frac{\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S}}{\frac{1}{2}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{T}})$$

$$= 4KL(\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S})|\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}) + 4KL(\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S})|\frac{3}{4}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{S})$$

$$+ 4KL(\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T})|\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S}) + 4KL(\frac{1}{2}\hat{T} + \frac{1}{2}\hat{S})|\frac{3}{4}\hat{S} + \frac{1}{4}\hat{T})$$

Next, the term  $L_2$  could be treated as

$$L_{2} = \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x})) \frac{\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})}{3\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})}) \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} - \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x})) \frac{\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})}{3\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})}) \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x})) (\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})) (-\frac{\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})}{3\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})} + \frac{\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})}{3\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})}) d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x})) (\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})) \frac{\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})^{2} - \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})^{2}}{(3\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))(3\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}))} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x})) (\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})) \frac{(\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}}{(3\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))(3\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}))} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x})) (\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})) \frac{(\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}}{3\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})^{2} + 3\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})^{2} + 10\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x})} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x})) (\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})) \frac{(\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}}{4(\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2} - (\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}} d\mathbf{x}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbf{x}} (1 - 2\sigma_{h_{f}} \circ f_{0}(\mathbf{x})) (\hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x})) \frac{(\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2} - (\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) - \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}}{4(\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2} - (\hat{p}_{s}(\mathbf{x}) + \hat{q}_{t}(\mathbf{x}))^{2}} d\mathbf{x}$$

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