# **Contextualised Out-of-Distribution Detection using Pattern Identification**

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# Out-of-Distribution and why is it hard

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#### **Core assumption in Deep Learning**

For image classification: a neural network is trained on a dataset  $X_{train}$  drafted from an (unknown) distribution  $\mathcal{D}$ 



What *should* happen when  $X_{production}$  is not drawn from  $\mathcal{D}$ ?

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#### **Out-of-Distribution detection**



"How to know where we will meet dragons?"

Spotting that  $x \in X_{production} \neq \mathscr{D}$ : Out-of-Distribution detection

# Challenges

- 1. defining Out-of-Distribution?
- 2. leveraging Inside-of-Distribution definition?
- 3. reliability on the base model ?
- 4. ensuring your Out-of-Distribution detection is reliable?
- 5. justifying the Out-of-Distribution-ness of a sample to a user?

# **Our approach**

Leveraging explainable AI: representation learning

- 1. Learning recurring patterns in the latent space of the classifier
- 2. Compute a *confidence score* based on how new patterns are correlated

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#### **CODE** overview



**Figure 1: CODE inference overview**. When processing a new sample *x*, the confidence measure sums up the average contribution of the detectors from each class weighted by the probability of *x* belonging to that class.

## **Cracking the CODE open - ingredients**

Ingredients:

- 1. a neural network f and v its restriction to the last convolutional layer, of size  $\mathbf{H}\times\mathbf{W}\times\mathbf{D}$
- 2.  $p 1 \times 1$  convolutional kernels per class (*detectors*), of size  $1 \times 1 \times D$
- 3. a vizualisation technique (e.g. SmoothGrads)

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Kernels needs to: (1) correlates on a small part of the image (locality constraint  $\mathcal{L}_l$ ) and (2) correlate to multiple activation locations (unicity constraint  $\mathcal{L}_u$ )

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Maximum correlation score  $H_i^{(c)}(x) = \max_{v^* \in v(x)} (v^* * k_i^{(c)})$ . From [Xu-+22].

Given a new x', correlation between v(x') with the distribution of  $v(x), x \in X_{iod}$ 

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# Key points

- Does not require an explicit definition of Out-of-Distribution
- 2. *Does not* require retraining an existing model
- 3. *Does* provide a visual clue along with the confidence score



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# **Existing approaches**

Plenty of methods: adding a new score in the mix is of little interest if we cannot compare it!

Existing methods either require retraining of the classifier (Bayesian based approaches) or an explicit definition of Out-of-Distribution (which is usually not available at inference time)

# **Existing comparisons**

#### **Cross-dataset validation**:

- 1. train/calibrate a score on a dataset  $X_{iod}$
- 2. evaluate it on another dataset considered Out-of-Distribution:  $X_{ood}$

Questions:

- 1. how is Out-of-Distribution defined?
- 2. how to assert the quality of a score *independently* of  $X_{iod}$  and  $X_{ood}$ ?

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#### What is a good Out-of-Distribution metric?

Hypothesis: metrics should increase with an increased *Out-of-Distribution-ness* (*e.g.* grad-ually increasing blur on all CIFAR-100 images)

If multiple metrics are similarly correlated for the same perturbation, it shows they capture the *increase* in Out-of-Distribution-ness



# Evaluation

- OpenOOD [Yan+22] suite for cross-dataset Out-of-Distribution
   evaluation to compare methods across multiple datasets; evaluating using
   Area Under the Receiving Operator Curve (AUROC) score
- Increasingly perturbating all images from a dataset X<sub>iod</sub> using blur, gaussian noise, brightness and rotations for consistencty of metrics under perturbation; evaluating using Spearman Rank Correlation (SRC) score

#### **Cross-dataset Out-of-Distribution evaluation**

			OSR			OoD Detection (Near-OoD / Far-OoD)							
	M-6	C-6	C-50	T-20	Avg.	MNIST	CIFAR-10	CIFAR-100	ImageNet	Avg.			
MSP* [HG17]	96.2	85.3	81.0	73.0	83.9	91.5 / 98.5	86.9 / 89.6	80.1 / 77.6	69.3 / 86.2	81.9 / 87.9			
ODIN* [LLS18]	98.0	72.1	80.3	75.7	81.8	92.4 / 99.0	77.5 / 81.9	79.8 / 78.5	73.2 / 94.4	80.7 / 88.4			
MDS* [Lee+18]	89.8	42.9	55.1	57.6	62.6	<b>98.0</b> / 98.1	66.5 / 88.8	51.4 / 70.1	68.3 / 94.0	71.0 / 87.7			
Gram <sup>*</sup> [SO20]	82.3	61.0	57.5	63.7	66.1	73.9 / <b>99.8</b>	58.6 / 67.5	55.4 / 72.7	68.3 / 89.2	64.1 / 82.3			
MaxLogit* [Hen+22]	98.0	84.8	82.7	75.5	85.3	92.5 / 99.1	86.1 / 88.8	<b>81.0</b> / 78.6	73.6 / 92.3	83.3 / 89.7			
KNN <sup>*</sup> [Sun+22]	97.5	86.9	83.4	74.1	85.5	96.5 / 96.7	90.5 / 92.8	79.9 / 82.2	<b>80.8</b> / 98.0	86.9 / 92.4			
FNRD [Hon+21]	59.4	68.2	58.4	54.3	60.1	84.8 / 97.1	70.2 / 71.5	54.6 / 58.5	75.4 / 87.5	71.3 / 78.7			
CODE (p=4)	74.7	86.7	76.5	62.4	75.1	81.8 / 99.5	87.8 / 90.7	73.9 / 72.4	76.6 / 84.4	80.0 / 86.8			

Table 1: Partial comparison of AUROC scores between CODE and state-of-the-art meth-<br/>ods on a cross-dataset benchmark. Results with \* are extracted from [Yan+22] - keep-<br/>ing only OoD-agnostic methods. bold = higher score.

#### **Consistency of CODE**



**Figure 2: Evolution of the average confidence score v. magnitude of the perturbation.** Curves in red indicate anomalous behaviours.

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#### **Consistency of CODE**

	CIFAR10					CIFAR100					ImageNet					
	Noise ↓	Blur↓	Bright. ↑	$R + \downarrow$	R- ↑	Noise ↓	Blur↓	Bright. ↑	$R + \downarrow$	R- ↑	Noise ↓	Blur↓	Bright. ↑	$R + \downarrow$	R- ↑	
MSP	-0.22	-0.88	0.98	-0.55	0.56	0.33	-0.78	0.99	-0.32	0.31	0.71	-1.0	1.0	-0.77	0.85	0.54
ODIN	-0.85	-0.7	0.18	-0.15	0.13	-0.15	-0.77	0.75	-0.22	0.21	0.12	-0.87	0.2	-0.81	0.81	0.45
MDS	-1.0	0.41	0.84	-0.03	0.19	-1.0	0.68	0.84	-0.03	0.2	-1.0	0.98	-0.35	-0.16	0.11	0.20
Gram	1.0	-1.0	1.0	-0.15	-0.02	1.0	-0.83	1.0	-0.23	0.25	٢	٢	٢	٢	٢	0.24*
MaxLogit	-0.62	-0.88	0.96	-0.33	0.33	0.0	-0.78	0.99	-0.22	0.22	0.65	-0.93	1.0	-0.78	0.78	0.54
KNN	-0.36	-0.88	0.99	-0.46	0.4	-0.02	-0.79	1.0	-0.26	0.35	-0.99	-1.0	1.0	-0.5	0.5	0.63
FNRD	-1.0	0.58	-0.99	-0.11	0.08	-1.0	0.49	-0.88	-0.21	0.13	-1.0	-0.85	0.99	-0.35	0.35	0.21
CODE	-0.69	-0.88	1.0	-0.5	0.35	-0.95	-0.78	0.99	-0.3	0.29	-0.85	-0.93	1.0	-0.85	0.83	0.75

Table 2: Partial comparison of OoD methods on our perturbation benchmark. ↑ (resp. ↓)
= average confidence should increase (resp. decrease) with α. red = weak correlation or unexpected sign of the correlation coefficient. bold = strong expected correlation. <sup>(C)</sup> = timeout. Note that CODE is consistent accross almost all perturbations.

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#### **Contextualized Out-of-Distribution**





(a) Out-of-distribution image.

(b) Inside-Of-Distribution image.

Figure 3: Explanations generated by CODE for ID and OoD samples.

## Limitations and future steps

- 1. CODE provides an Out-of-Distribution detection score that is consistent accross two Out-of-Distribution modalities
- 2. We provide a benchmark for Out-of-Distribution score consistency checking
- 3. CODE is as good as the neural network internal representation
- 4. Contextualizations can only tell you so much (what happen when there is a high confidence score, but the upsampling matches not our expectations?)
- 5. Applications to other problem classes (object detection, time series)



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# **Cracking the CODE open - recipe**

Locality:

$$\mathscr{L}_{l} = -\sum_{(x,y)\in\mathsf{X}_{train}} \sum_{c=1}^{\mathsf{N}} \sum_{i=1}^{p} \mathbb{1}_{[c=y]} \times \max\left(\mathsf{P}_{i}^{(c)}(x) \star u\right) \tag{1}$$

Unicity:

$$\mathscr{L}_{u} = \sum_{(x,y)\in\mathcal{X}_{train}} \sum_{c=1}^{\mathcal{N}} \mathbb{1}_{[c=y]} \times \max\left(0, \max\left(\mathcal{S}^{(c)}(x)\right) - t\right)$$
(2)