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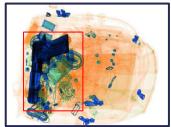
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# **Current Work: Research in ML at UoE and UDRC**

- Open-Set Recognition (OSR)
- Few-shot classification
  - Class-incremental learning
  - Cross-domain classification
- Both recognition <u>and</u> OoD detection
- Discriminative <u>and</u> generative models

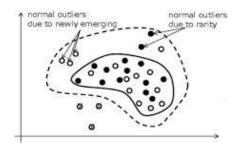






### • Main thrust of our research:

- 1) Classify objects in images
- 2) Learn new objects fast with few-shots
- 3) Identify **novel classes** as anomalies and learn them
- 4) Maintain the capability of alerting the user for threats for seen and unseen abnormal data

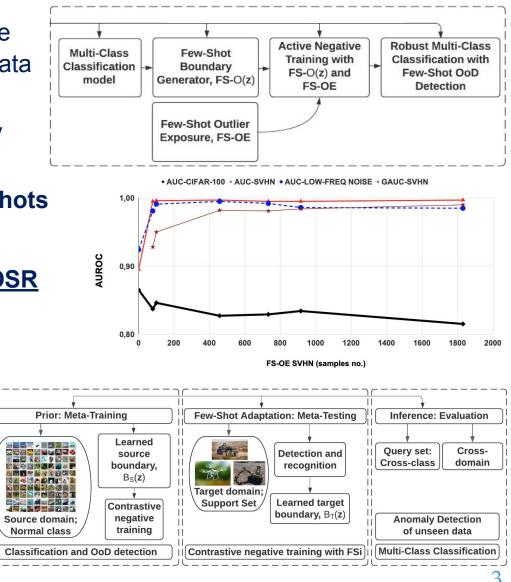


### **Few-Shot Robust Classification and OoD Detection**

- **Overconfidence:** Set high confidence to OoD samples away from training data
- Sample generation on the boundary
- Impose low confidence on boundary
- Few-shot OoD detection
  - Robust to the number of few-shots

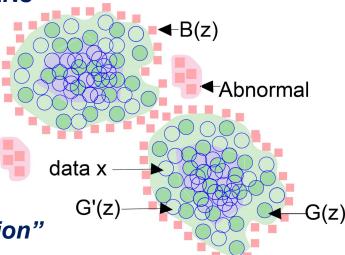
### **Robust Few-Shot Class-Incremental OSR**

- Learn a prior
- Few-shot adaptation
- Discern between base classes, new FS classes, unknown OoD



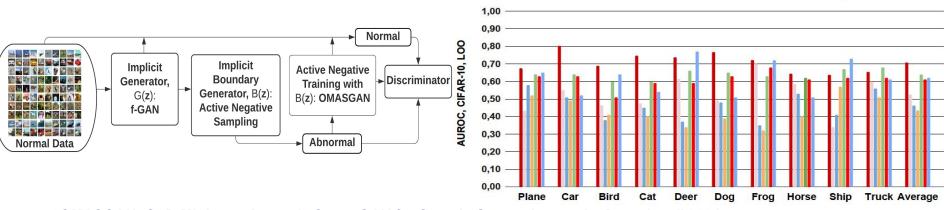
### **Our Publication Outcomes**

- "OMASGAN: Out-of-Distribution Minimum Anomaly Score GAN for Sample Generation on the Boundary"
  - Contrastive negative training avoiding invertibility, 2021
- "REFGAN: Few-Shot Detection of OoC using GANs with Negative Retraining," in Proc. ICTAI 2021
- GANs for detecting Objects of Concern with few-shots
- "Few-Shot Robust Model for Classification and OoD Detection," Submitted, 2021
- "Negative-Data Discriminative Classifier for Few-Shot Class-Incremental Open-Set Recognition"
- Large scale MetaAudio paper
  - Benchmark and survey: Few-shot acoustic classification
- Multi-task learning
  - Cross-domain meta-learning



## **OoD Minimum Anomaly Score GAN**

- **Rarity** of relevant OoDs: Learn directly from data <u>only</u> from the normal class
  - **Reduced** human intervention for supervision, e.g. feature extraction
  - Generate minimum-anomaly-score OoDs
    - Invertibility is not necessary
- **Retraining** by including OoD samples on the distribution boundary
  - Perform **self-supervised** negative data augmentation
- Self-supervised learning: Improve both unsupervised learning and AD
- Evaluation: Leave-one-out methodology
  - Improvement over benchmarks for AD

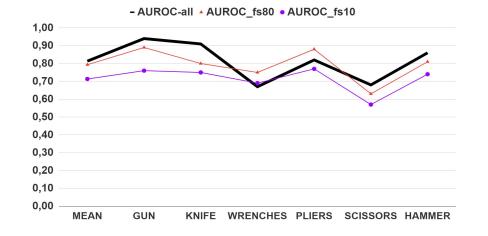


ASGAN = BDSG = EGBAD = AnoGAN = FenceGAN = GANomaly = VAE

"OMASGAN: OoD Minimum Anomaly Score GAN for Sample Generation on the Boundary," 2021

## **Few-Shot Adaptive Detection of OoC: REFGAN**

- Robust OoC detection
  - OoC: Rare & different from normality
    - Might be unknown during training
- Our proposed methodology:
  - Negative REtraining with Few-shots GAN (REFGAN)
- Learn a prior
- Few-shot adaptation of prior
  - Negative-data-based few-shot adaptation
- Robust to few-shot samples



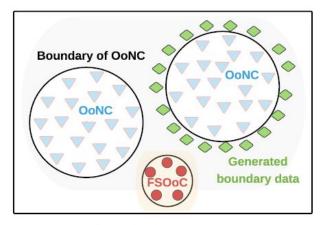


Fig. 1: REFGAN where the blue points are OoNC, the red points are FSOoC, and the green points are  $B(\mathbf{z})$  samples.

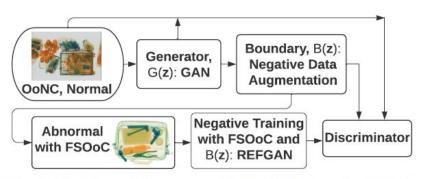


Fig. 2: Training of the proposed REFGAN using the FSOoC samples, together with active negative sampling and training.

#### "REFGAN: Few-Shot Adaptive Detection of Objects of Concern using GANs with Negative Retraining," ICTAI 2021