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Debiased Learning from Naturally Imbalanced xView Data

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Our Task: Remote Sensing Data

8-Band Images (xView Dataset)



color RGB 1.coastal blue 2.blue 3.green 4.yellow 5.red 6.red edge 7.near-IR18.near-IR2

An Image is a Function from Domain to Co-Domain

Domain: Pixel Locations (x,y)







Co-Domain: Pixel Values (RGB)









color

C-scaling









scaling

rotation

Co-Domain is Related to Diversity of Image Types



Singhal, Utkarsh, Yifei Xing, and Stella X. Yu. "Co-domain symmetry for complex-valued deep learning." *Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition*. 2022.

xView Results: Simpler and Better Ultra-lean





xView Dataset

Our Task: Remote Sensing Data Classification





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Related Semi-Supervised Learning Methods



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Our Semi-Supervised Learning Framework

Debiased Pseudo-Labeling



Contribution #1: Robust Augmentations

Design a set of robust strong and weak augmentations suitable for remote sensing data.

Contribution #2: Debiased Pseudo-Labeling

Leverage DebiasedPL to mitigate the bias in pseudo-labeling.



RandAugment Appears to be too Complicated for Remote Sensing Data





Our New Findings: Data Augmentations for Remote Sensing Data

Augmentations	Used	Reason				
RandAugment [8]	×	The use of RandAugment with				
		high intensity of transforma-				
		tions may result in overfitting				
		to the training set, which can				
		be detrimental for generaliza-				
		tion on remote sensing data.				
Rotation	\checkmark	random rotation (\pm 10 degrees)				
		can simulate variations in re-				
		mote sensing imaging angles.				
Scaling	\checkmark	scaling(0.8, 1.2) can simulate				
		variations in ground sampling				
		distances, which is important				
		for generalization on remote				
		sensing data.				
Horizontal Flip	\checkmark	horizontal flipping simulates				
		mirror-reflected scenes in re-				
		mote sensing data				

Weak augmentation						
None	\checkmark	×	×	\checkmark	×	×
Random Resize Cropping	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Horizontal flipping	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	\checkmark	\checkmark
Strong augmentation						
ResizeCropping + Horizontal flipping	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Rotation(\pm 10 degrees)	×	×	×	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
Scaling(0.8, 1.2)	×	×	×	\checkmark	×	\checkmark
RandAugment(m=10)	\checkmark	\checkmark	×	×	×	×
RandAugment(m=5)	×	×	\checkmark	×	×	×
Top-1 accuracy (%)	69.8	75.6	76.3	79.4	79.7	80.8

Two Sources of Imbalance (Training Label & Pseudo

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Quantitative Results

Class-wise accuracy





Increasing the amount of labeled data