



Mixture of Adversarial LoRAs: Boosting Robust Generalization in Meta-Tuning

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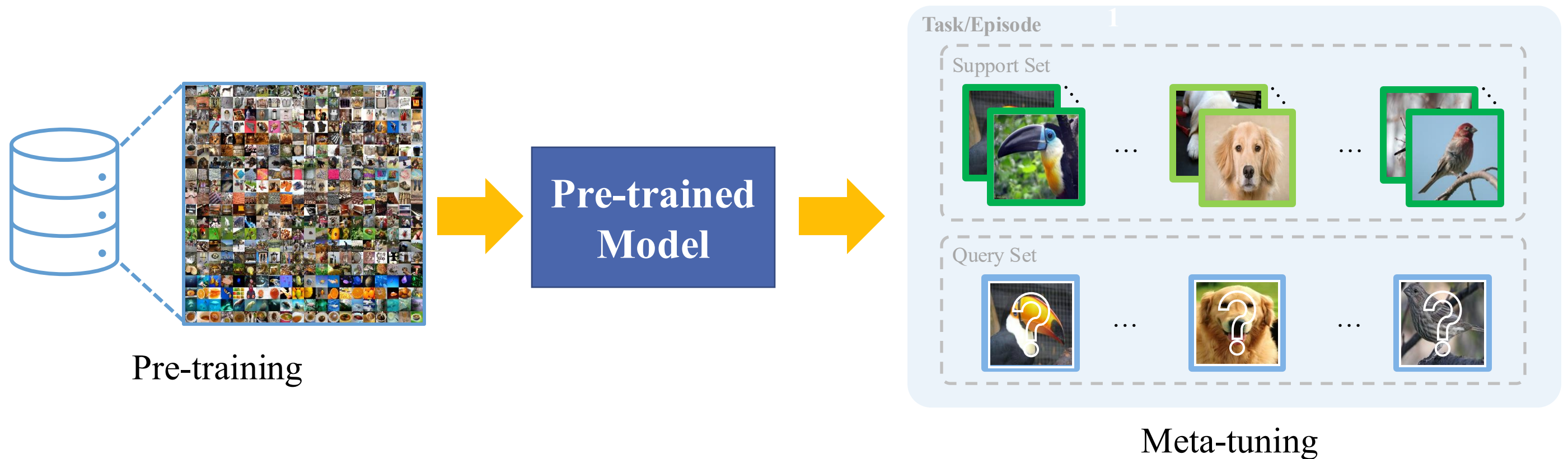
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Meta-Tuning in Large-scale Pre-trained Models

- Large-scale pre-trained vision transformers have revolutionized the few-shot learning area [1]
- Meta-tuning equips pre-trained models with quick adaptation capability by training on a handful of few-shot tasks



[1] Pushing the Limits of Simple Pipelines for Few-Shot Learning: External Data and Fine-Tuning Make a Difference. In CVPR, 2022

Does Meta-Tuned Models Generalize Well?

In-Distribution



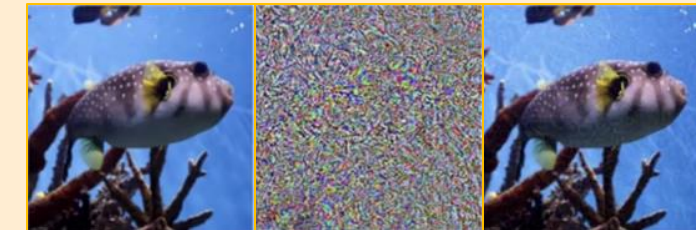
- **Concept shift:** training and test samples are collected from the same environment yet from mutually exclusive classes

Out-of-Distribution



- **Domains** of images (e.g., from IN to QuickDraw) or **granularity** of categories (e.g., from iNaturalist to Plant Disease) in unseen tasks deviate from those in the training tasks.

Robustness

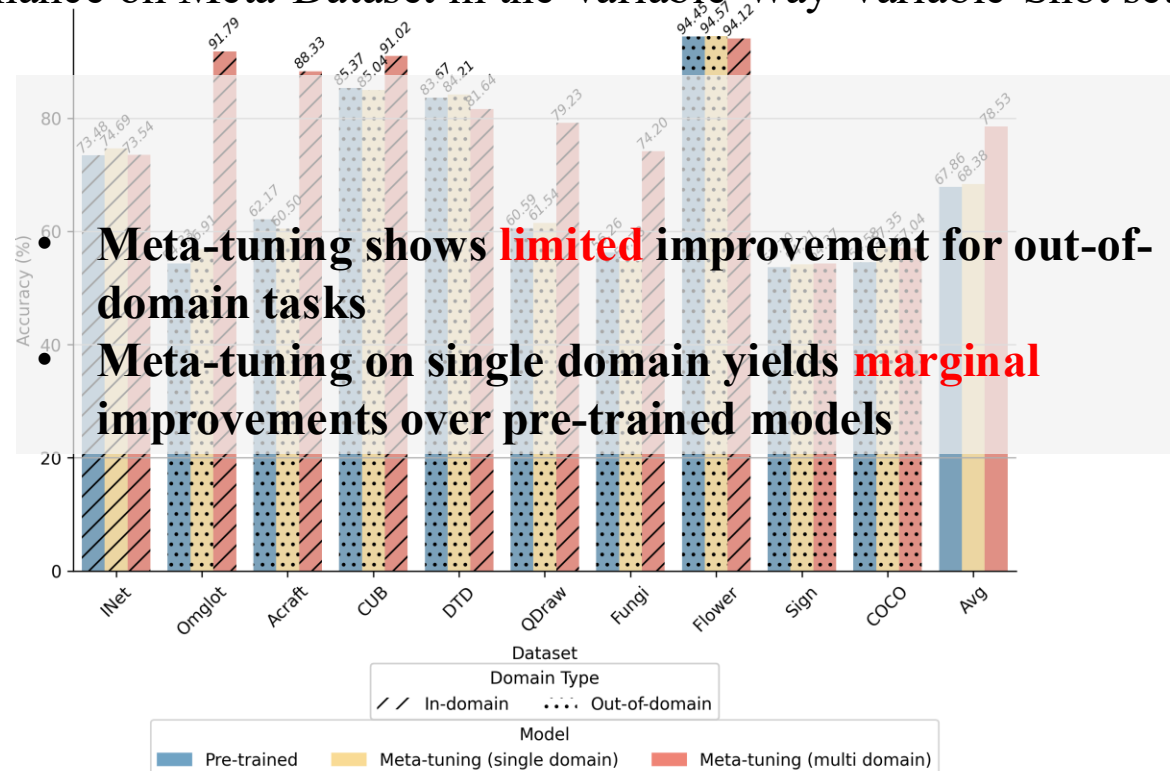


Puffer, 97.99%

crab, 100%

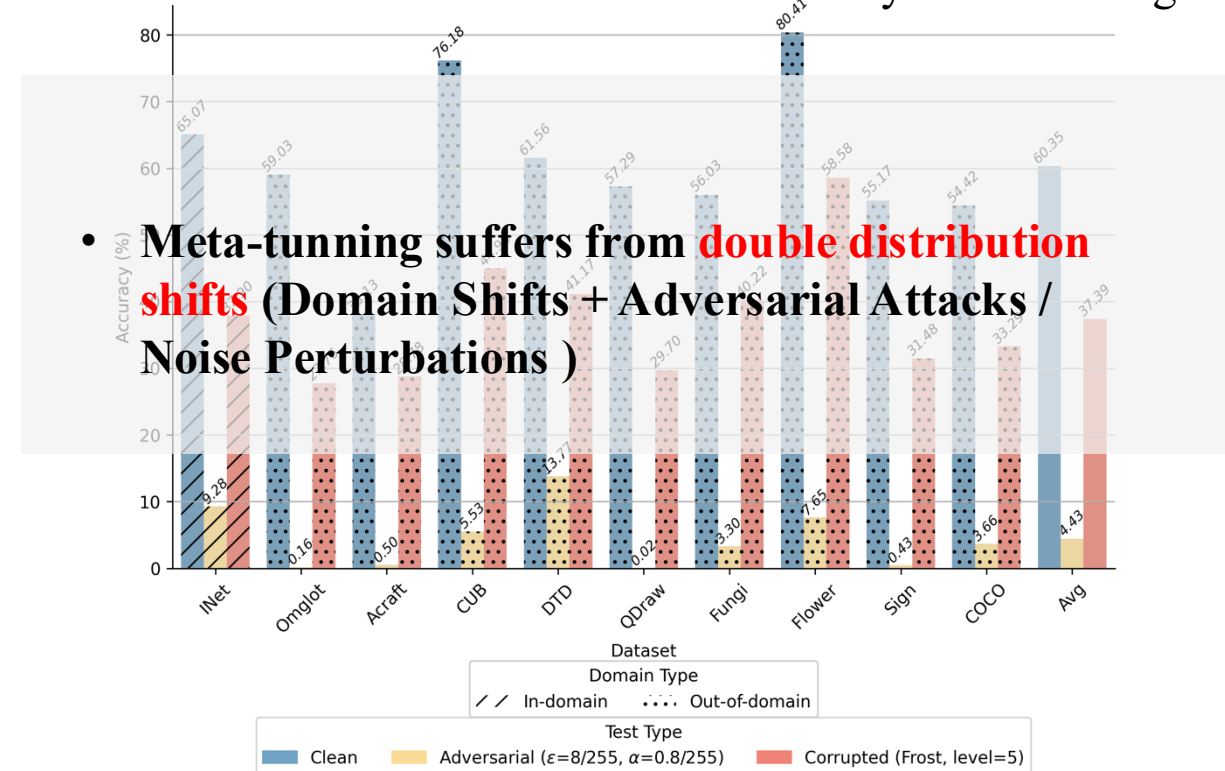
- **Adversarial Vulnerability:** human-imperceptible perturbations
- **Visual corruptions:** weather, noise, blur, etc.

Performance on Meta-Dataset in the Variable-Way-Variable-Shot setting



- Meta-tuning shows **limited** improvement for out-of-domain tasks
- Meta-tuning on single domain yields **marginal** improvements over pre-trained models

Performance on Meta-Dataset in the 5-way 1-shot setting



- Meta-tuning suffers from **double distribution shifts** (Domain Shifts + Adversarial Attacks / Noise Perturbations)

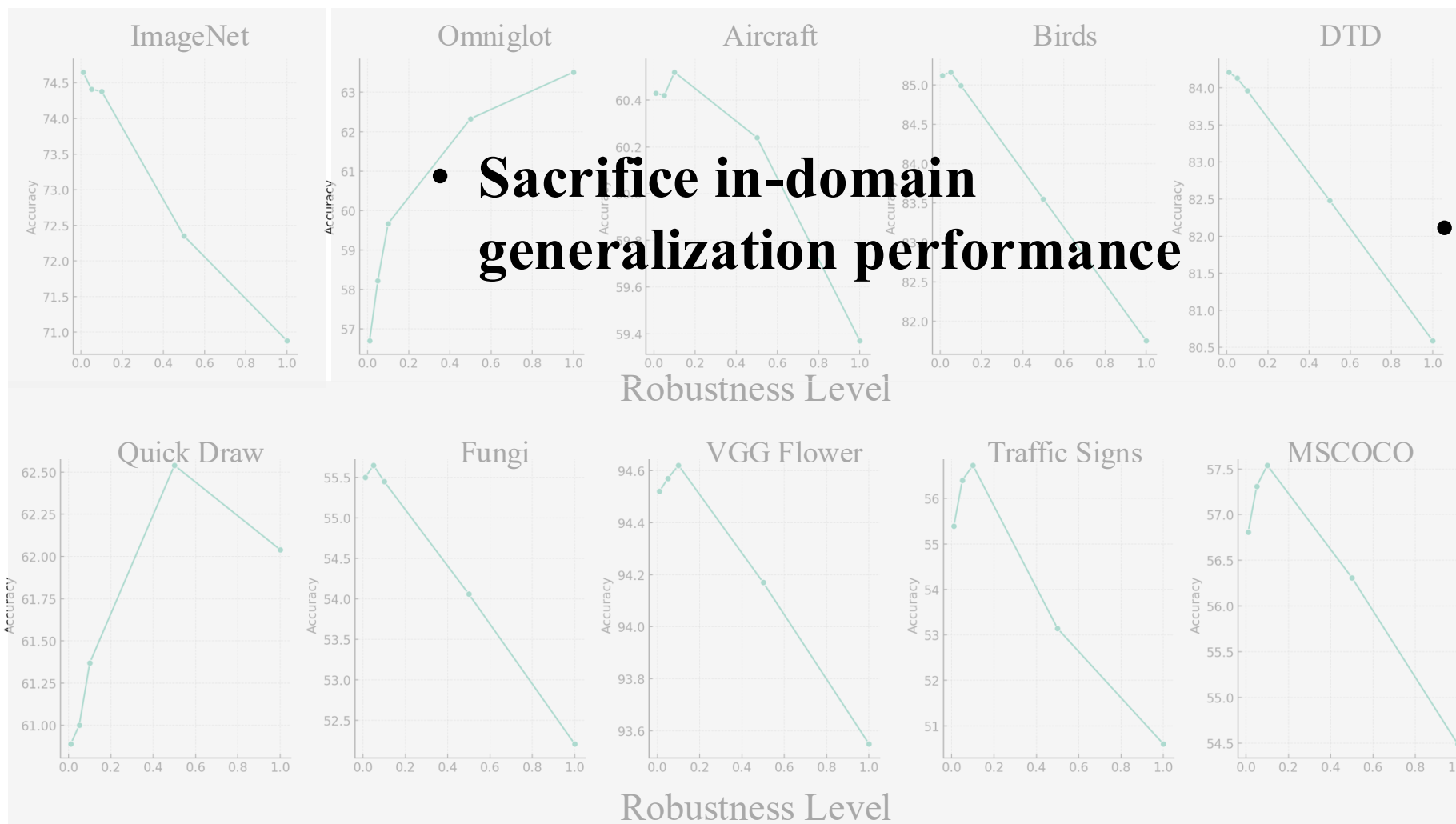
What is Relationship between Adversarial Robustness & Distribution Shift?

- Meta-train on ImageNet using adversarial examples generated under different perturbation budgets ϵ
- Meta-test on in-domain and out-of-domain datasets

$$\min_{\theta} \max_{\|\delta\|_{\infty} \leq \epsilon} \mathcal{L}(f_{\theta}(x + \delta), y)$$

$$\delta \leftarrow \Pi_{\epsilon} \left(\delta + \alpha \cdot \text{sign}(\nabla_{\delta} \mathcal{L}(f_{\theta}(x + \delta), y)) \right)$$

f_{θ} : classifier with parameters θ
 \mathcal{L} : CE loss
 δ : perturbations
 ϵ : **robustness level**
 α : step size
 Π_{ϵ} : projection for constraints



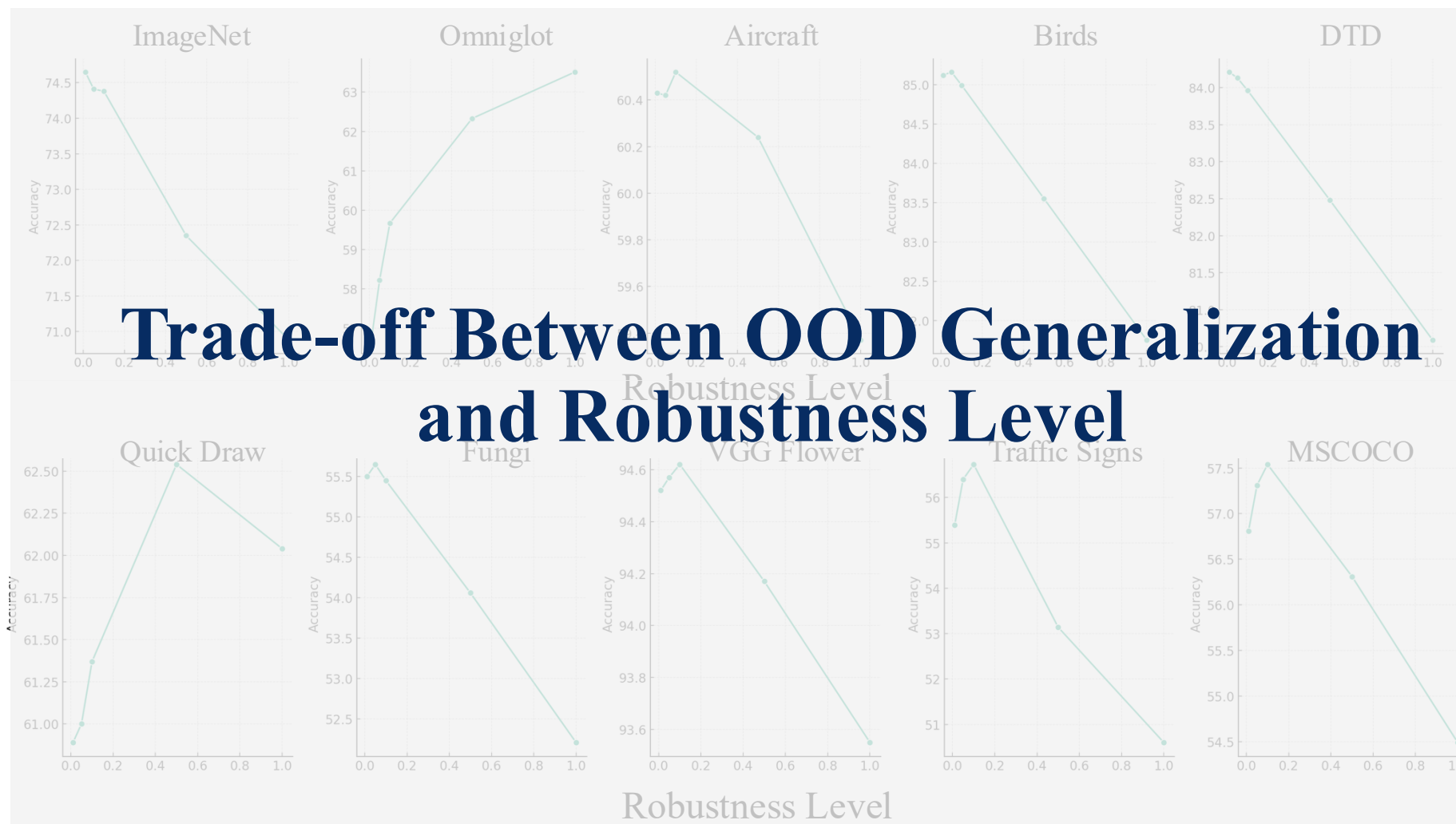
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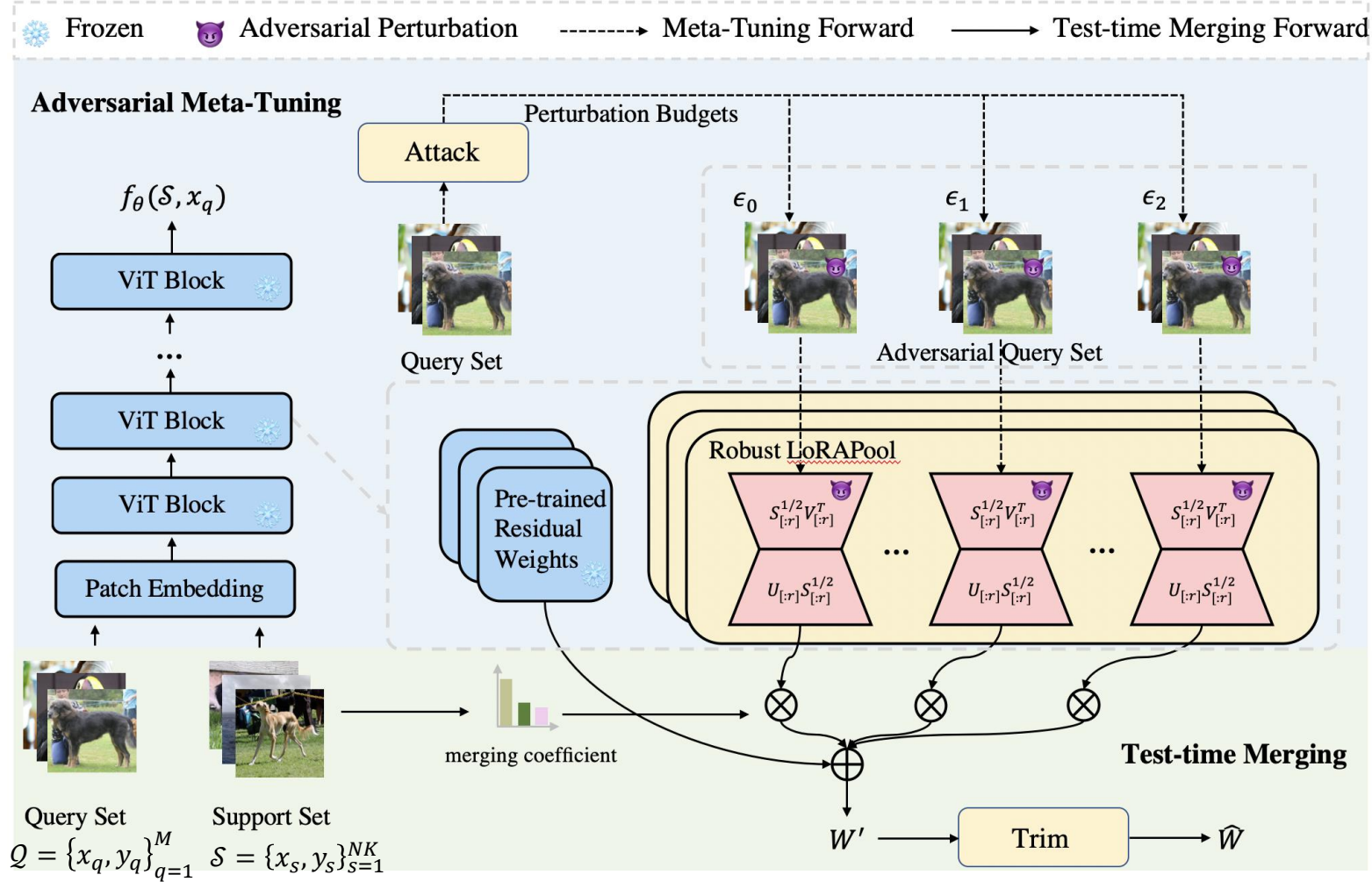
- Meta-train on ImageNet using adversarial examples generated under different perturbation budgets ϵ
- Meta-test on OOD datasets

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Training Objective

$$\mathcal{L}_{clean} = \mathcal{L}_{CE}(f_{W^{res+AB}}(\mathcal{S}, x_q), y_q) \quad (\text{Clean Cross-Entropy loss})$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{adv} = D_{KL}(f_{W^{res+AB}}(\mathcal{S}, x_q^{adv}) \parallel f_{W^{res+AB}}(\mathcal{S}, x_q))$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{clean} + \lambda_{adv} \mathcal{L}_{adv} \quad (\text{Adversarial Kullback-Leibler divergence loss})$$

Generate Adversarial Query Set

$$\max_{\|\delta\|_{\infty} \leq \epsilon_i} \mathcal{L}(f_{\theta}(\mathcal{S}, x_q + \delta), y_q)$$

$$\delta \leftarrow \Pi_{\epsilon_i} \left(\delta + \alpha \cdot \text{sign} \left(\nabla_{\delta} \mathcal{L}(f_{\theta}(\mathcal{S}, x_q + \delta), y_q) \right) \right)$$

(Sample the i -th attack configuration candidates to generate adversarial query sets with different robustness strength)

Adversarial Perturbation on Singular Values and Vectors

$$A = U_{[:r]} \text{diag}(S_{[:r]}^{1/2})$$

$$B = \text{diag}(S_{[:r]}^{1/2}) V_{[:r]}^T$$

$$W^{res} = U_{[r:]} \text{diag}(S_{[r:]}) V_{[r:]}^T$$

(Initialize LoRA parameters with the singular value decomposition results)

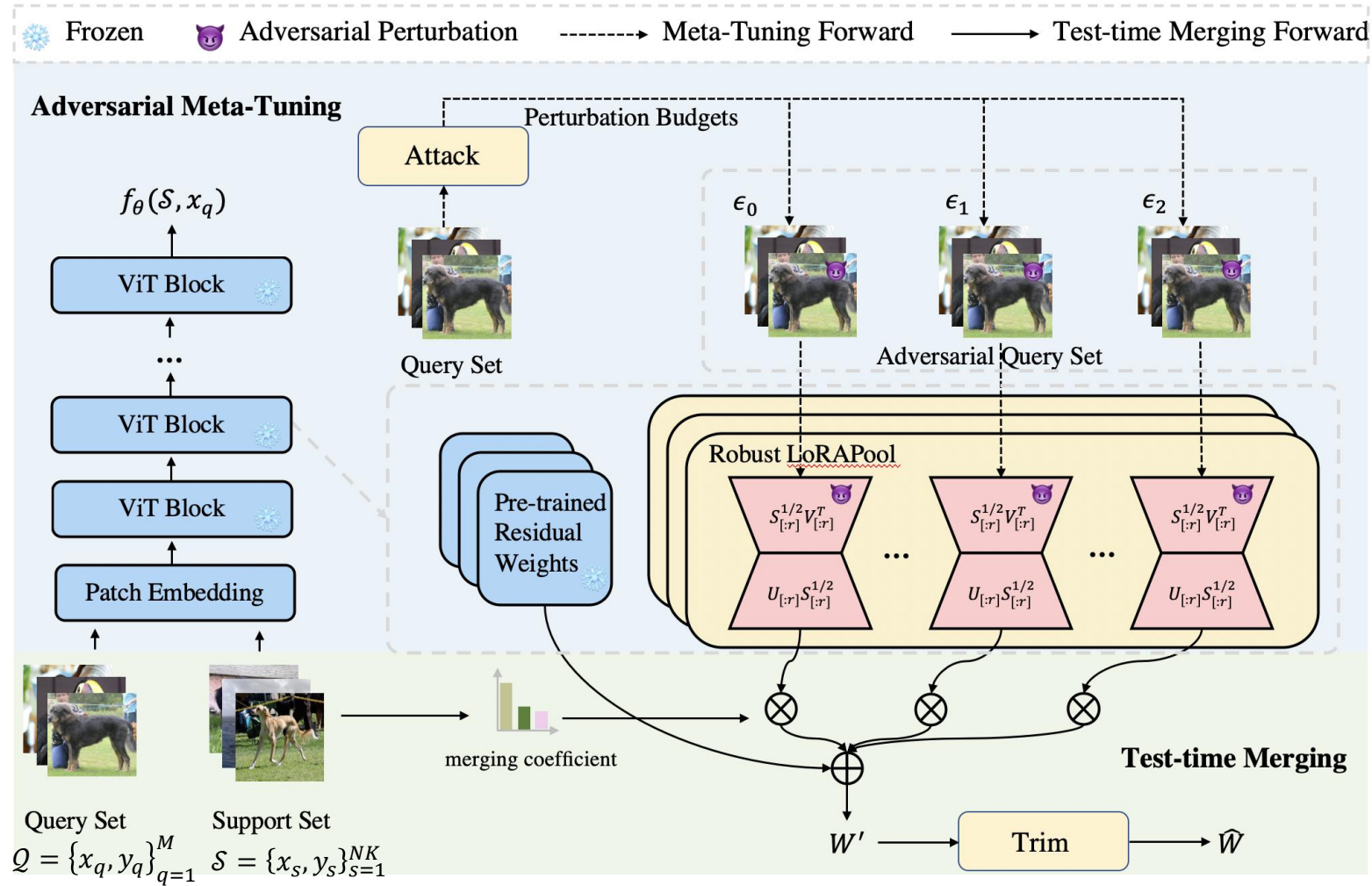
$$\delta_A = \eta_1 \cdot \frac{1}{M} \sum_{q=1}^M \nabla_A \mathcal{L}(f_{W^{res+AB}}(\mathcal{S}, x_q^{adv}), y_q)$$

$$A \leftarrow A - \eta_2 \cdot \frac{1}{M} \sum_{q=1}^M \nabla_A \mathcal{L}(f_{W^{res+(A+\delta_A)B}}(\mathcal{S}, x_q^{adv}), y_q)$$

(Incorporate worst-case perturbation on A and B in the similar way)

Adaptive Robust LoRAPool

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Inference: Nearest-Centroid Classification

$$y_j^q = \underset{i}{\operatorname{argmin}} \cos(\mathbf{f}_{\hat{W}}(x_j^q), \mathbf{p}_{i, y_s})$$

Weight Merging

$$C_i = \frac{1}{NK} \sum_{s=1}^{NK} \gamma(\mathbf{f}_{W^{res}} + A_i B_i(x_s), \mathbf{p}_{i, y_s})$$

support images (pointing to x_s) and *mean of class samples* (pointing to \mathbf{p}_{i, y_s})

$$V_i = \frac{1}{NK} \sum_{s=1}^K \sum_{\substack{c=1 \\ c \neq y_s}}^N \gamma(\mathbf{f}_{W^{res}} + A_i B_i(x_s), \mathbf{p}_{i, c})$$

cosine similarity (pointing to γ)

$$\zeta_i = \frac{\operatorname{Top}_k(\exp(-\beta(1 - (\lambda C - (1 - \lambda)V)))_i}{\sum_{i=1}^k \operatorname{Top}_k(\exp(-\beta(1 - (\lambda C - (1 - \lambda)V)))_i}$$

merging coefficient (pointing to ζ_i)

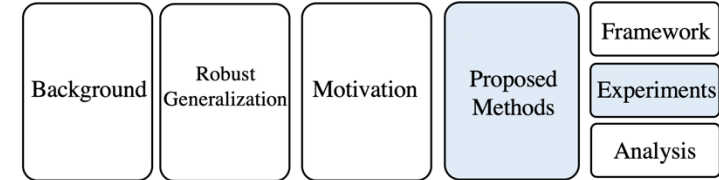
$$W' = W^{res} + \sum_{i=1}^P \zeta_i A_i B_i$$

Singular Value Trimming

$$\hat{W} = \operatorname{trim}(W')$$

(Reset redundant singular values to zero)

Clean ID/OOD Generalization Evaluation



Few-shot Clean Accuracy on Meta-Dataset benchmark

1-shot	Backbone	TTF	In-domain	Out-of-domain									Avg.
			ImageNet	Omglot	Acrafft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO	
PM [12]	ViT-small	-	65.07	59.03	38.13	76.18	61.56	57.29	56.03	80.41	55.17	54.42	60.35
StyleAdv [83]	ViT-small	-	56.10	62.25	40.38	66.62	55.94	57.93	53.19	81.10	54.20	48.08	57.58
AMT	ViT-small	-	68.80	71.95	42.90	79.95	62.99	59.62	59.06	85.37	63.78	57.14	65.16
PMF [12]	ViT-small	Y	65.07	71.52	38.67	76.15	61.62	59.82	56.03	80.41	59.71	54.41	62.34
PMF+AMT-FT	ViT-small	Y	68.80	77.83	42.90	79.95	63.77	63.72	59.06	85.37	63.87	57.37	66.26
ATTNSCALE [54]	ViT-small	Y	63.66	72.51	40.09	73.59	61.04	60.26	54.88	82.52	59.91	55.10	62.36
ATTNSCALE+AMT-FT	ViT-small	Y	68.80	79.43	42.90	79.95	63.08	65.66	59.06	85.37	64.13	58.24	66.66

5-shot	Backbone	TTF	In-domain	Out-of-domain									Avg.
			ImageNet	Omglot	Acrafft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO	
PM [12]	ViT-small	-	80.71	78.77	56.56	92.23	79.92	76.16	76.98	96.61	74.66	71.77	78.44
StyleAdv [83]	ViT-small	-	74.51	80.22	58.78	87.60	78.67	75.57	73.80	96.18	71.99	63.93	76.12
AMT	ViT-small	-	81.35	88.47	61.73	93.12	80.34	79.59	80.04	96.99	80.85	74.56	81.70
PMF [12]	ViT-small	Y	79.92	93.54	67.45	92.22	80.86	81.64	77.25	96.61	87.68	75.33	83.25
PMF+AMT-FT	ViT-small	Y	81.51	94.89	67.99	93.23	80.41	83.02	79.76	96.93	89.37	76.20	84.33
ATTNSCALE [54]	ViT-small	Y	79.30	93.48	69.42	90.49	81.04	82.66	77.44	96.51	89.78	76.48	83.66
ATTNSCALE+AMT-FT	ViT-small	Y	81.57	95.74	69.47	93.25	80.96	83.87	78.28	96.99	93.10	77.39	85.06

Competitive methods: compared against three categories of related works:

- clean meta-tuning^[1]
- parameter-efficient adaption^[2]
- adversarial few-shot learning methods^[3]

- **Does not sacrifice in-domain clean accuracy**
- **Good performance in clean OOD Generalization**

Few-shot Clean Accuracy on BSCD-FSL benchmark and fine-grained datasets

1-shot	Backbone	TTF	ChestX	ISIC	EuroSAT	CropDisease	CUB	Cars	Places	Plantae	Avg.
PM [12]	ViT-small	-	22.74 ± 0.40	33.72 ± 0.60	72.94 ± 0.77	81.04 ± 0.85	83.53 ± 0.86	42.10 ± 0.80	71.66 ± 0.88	59.04 ± 0.89	58.35
StyleAdv [†] [83]	ViT-small	-	22.92 ± 0.32	33.05 ± 0.44	72.15 ± 0.65	81.22 ± 0.61	84.01 ± 0.58	40.48 ± 0.57	72.64 ± 0.67	55.52 ± 0.66	57.75
AMT	ViT-small	-	22.39 ± 0.39	33.92 ± 0.58	73.52 ± 0.84	82.04 ± 0.80	84.34 ± 0.83	44.33 ± 0.81	73.78 ± 0.87	59.32 ± 0.94	59.21
PMF [12]	ViT-small	Y	21.73 ± 0.30	30.36 ± 0.36	70.74 ± 0.63	80.79 ± 0.62	78.13 ± 0.66	37.24 ± 0.57	71.11 ± 0.71	53.60 ± 0.66	55.46
StyleAdv-FT [†] [83]	ViT-small	Y	22.92 ± 0.32	33.99 ± 0.46	74.93 ± 0.58	84.11 ± 0.57	84.01 ± 0.58	40.48 ± 0.57	72.64 ± 0.67	55.52 ± 0.66	58.57
AMT-FT	ViT-small	Y	23.23 ± 0.40	33.95 ± 0.63	73.95 ± 0.78	82.04 ± 0.8	84.34 ± 0.83	46.06 ± 0.80	73.83 ± 0.89	59.32 ± 0.94	59.59

5-shot	Backbone	TTF	ChestX	ISIC	EuroSAT	CropDisease	CUB	Cars	Places	Plantae	Avg.
PM [12]	ViT-small	-	26.61 ± 0.43	47.60 ± 0.57	89.19 ± 0.41	93.90 ± 0.46	95.01 ± 0.40	63.44 ± 0.81	88.73 ± 0.51	78.31 ± 0.71	72.85
StyleAdv [†] [83]	ViT-small	-	26.97 ± 0.33	47.73 ± 0.44	88.57 ± 0.34	94.85 ± 0.31	95.82 ± 0.27	61.73 ± 0.62	88.33 ± 0.40	75.55 ± 0.54	72.44
AMT	ViT-small	-	27.54 ± 0.45	50.22 ± 0.63	88.38 ± 0.48	94.67 ± 0.40	94.86 ± 0.39	62.94 ± 0.82	88.88 ± 0.51	79.32 ± 0.7	73.35
PMF [†] [12]	ViT-small	Y	27.27	50.12	85.98	92.96	-	-	-	-	-
PMF [12]	ViT-small	Y	26.17 ± 0.45	50.32 ± 0.63	89.97 ± 0.40	94.77 ± 0.41	95.10 ± 0.42	65.76 ± 0.84	89.02 ± 0.53	79.93 ± 0.64	73.88
StyleAdv-FT [†] [83]	ViT-small	Y	26.97 ± 0.33	51.23 ± 0.51	90.12 ± 0.33	95.99 ± 0.27	95.82 ± 0.27	66.02 ± 0.64	88.33 ± 0.40	78.01 ± 0.54	74.06
AMT-FT	ViT-small	Y	27.54 ± 0.45	51.56 ± 0.68	90.62 ± 0.40	94.67 ± 0.40	95.21 ± 0.39	67.18 ± 0.79	89.22 ± 0.50	80.36 ± 0.64	74.54

[1] Pushing the Limits of Simple Pipelines for Few-Shot Learning: External Data and Fine-Tuning Make a Difference. In CVPR, 2022

[2] StyleAdv: Meta Style Adversarial Training for Cross-Domain Few-Shot Learning. In CVPR, 2023

[3] Strong Baselines for Parameter Efficient Few-Shot Fine-tuning. In AAI, 2024

Robustness Against Double Distribution Shift

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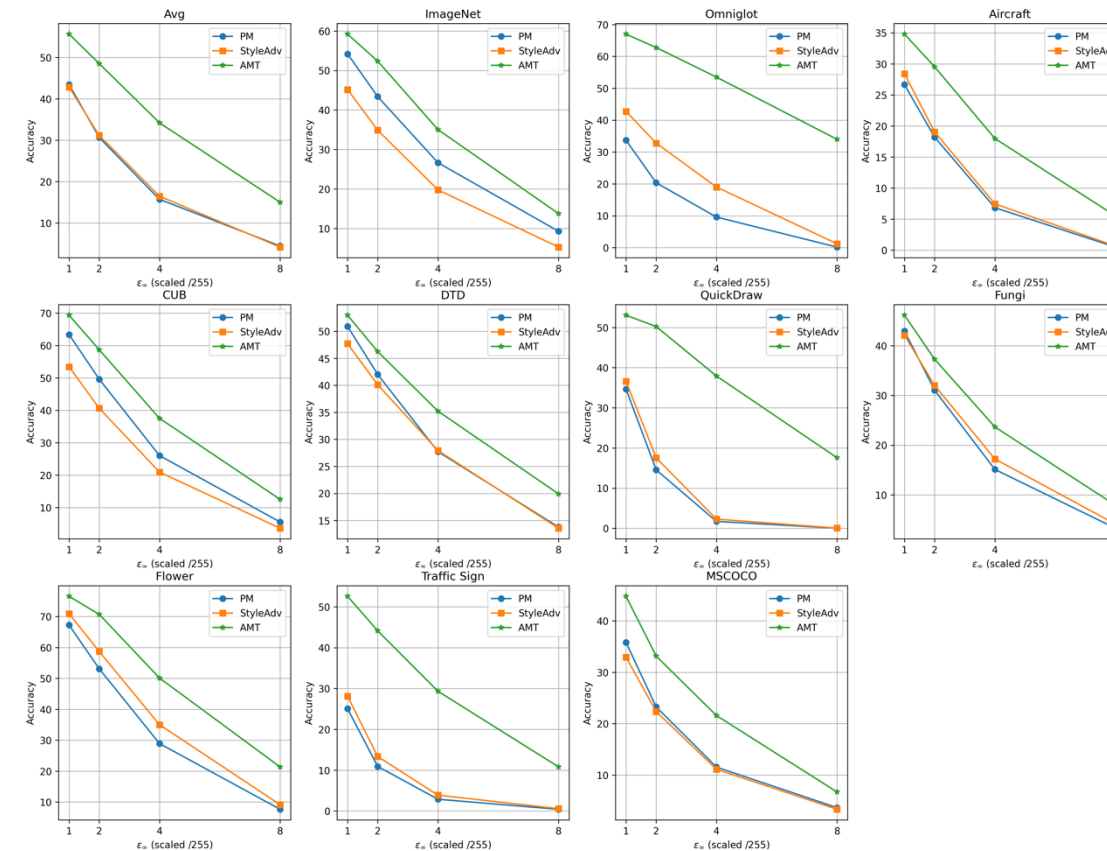
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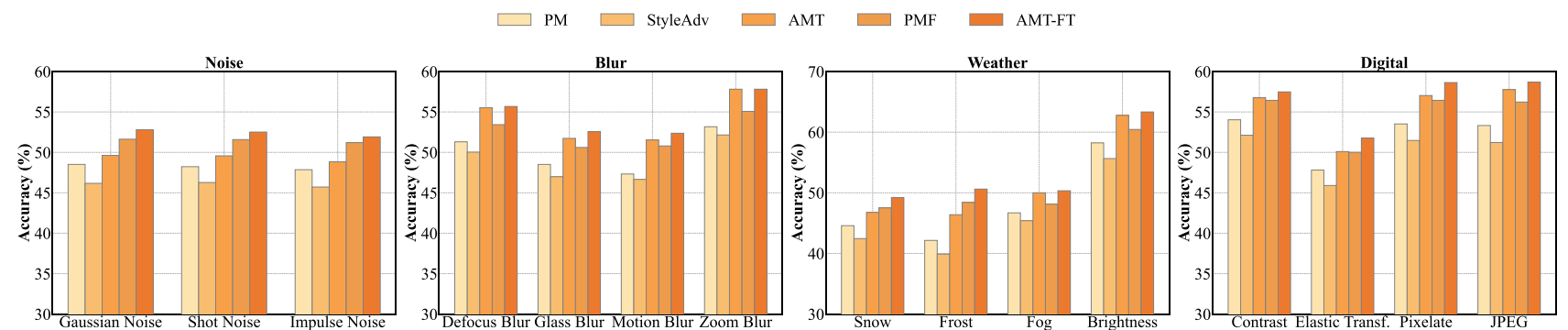
Few-shot Robustness Against Adversarial Attacks

- AMT handles adversarial attacks across varying perturbation budgets



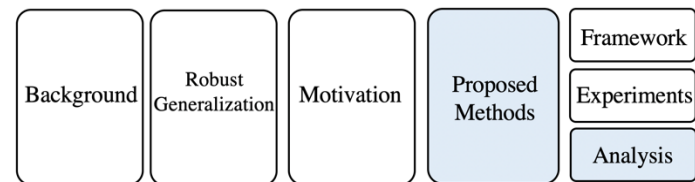
Few-shot Robustness Against Natural Corruptions

- AMT consistently outperforms counterparts across various common corruptions



Average of 15 types of corruptions \times 5 multiple levels \times 10 domains

Ablation Analysis



Component Effectiveness

- APQ: adversarial perturbation on query set
- APSV: adversarial perturbation on singular values and vectors
- RLP: Robust LoRAPool
- TTM: test-time merging
- STr: singular value trimming.

APQ	APSV	RLP	TTM	STr	In-domain	Out-of-domain								Avg.	
					INet	Omglot	Acraft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign		COCO
✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	65.07	59.03	38.13	76.18	61.56	57.29	56.03	80.41	55.17	54.42	60.35
✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	64.57	62.47	38.53	76.23	60.47	57.97	56.22	81.72	57.04	53.96	60.92
✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	65.56	63.92	39.74	76.06	61.73	58.64	55.99	80.93	56.96	54.28	61.38
✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	64.95	70.80	40.55	75.19	60.73	59.66	56.92	83.63	57.66	56.04	62.61
✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	67.95	62.16	39.13	79.27	61.77	58.75	56.59	79.74	55.45	54.63	61.54
✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	68.46	65.75	42.63	79.43	63.10	58.23	55.69	78.93	63.67	56.28	63.22
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	68.80	71.95	42.90	79.95	62.99	59.62	59.06	85.37	63.78	57.14	65.16

Alternative Test-time Merging Strategies

Merging Strategies	In-domain	Out-of-domain									Avg
	INet	Omglot	Acraft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO	
Weight Average	63.96	64.49	40.57	74.23	59.99	57.36	55.73	80.50	59.87	53.04	60.97
Logit Average	65.84	66.05	40.70	78.72	60.79	59.02	57.42	82.41	58.41	55.09	62.44
Linear classifier	67.22	64.60	37.99	77.96	62.65	57.11	56.62	80.23	58.36	56.10	61.89
AMT	68.46	65.75	42.63	79.43	63.10	58.23	55.69	78.93	63.67	56.28	63.22

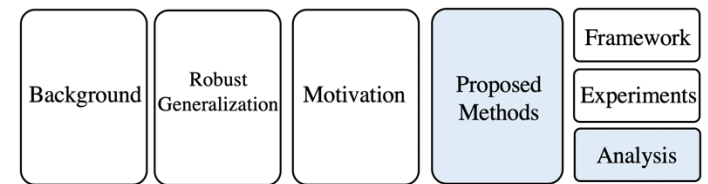
The Influence of Attack Pool Strategy

Method	In-domain	Out-of-domain									Avg.
	ImageNet	Omglot	Acraft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO	
Uniform LoRAPool	63.12	73.28	42.45	73.59	59.21	60.22	53.91	80.77	59.47	54.04	62.01
Random LoRAPool	64.30	72.28	43.05	79.03	58.75	60.31	57.15	84.02	60.01	58.07	63.70
Separate LoRAPool	68.80	71.95	42.90	79.95	62.99	59.62	59.06	85.37	63.78	57.14	65.16

Effective for Other Pre-training Methods

Method	In-domain	Out-of-domain									Avg.
	INet	Omglot	Acraft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO	
DINO [9]	62.91	59.13	37.11	73.59	60.67	57.57	54.88	78.40	53.62	53.98	59.19
DINO+AMT	68.80	71.95	42.90	79.95	62.99	59.62	59.06	85.37	63.78	57.14	65.16
Δ	+5.89	+12.82	+5.79	+6.36	+2.32	+2.05	+4.18	+6.97	+10.16	+3.16	+5.97
iBOT [2]	65.09	61.57	35.40	70.85	60.36	57.37	54.47	78.04	55.00	55.00	59.32
iBOT+AMT	69.95	69.89	38.84	79.96	61.65	62.35	58.34	79.67	61.88	56.49	63.90
Δ	+4.86	+8.32	+3.44	+9.11	+1.29	+4.98	+3.87	+1.63	+6.88	+1.49	+4.58
DeIT [90]	74.23	57.32	35.20	69.36	51.73	56.08	45.52	64.31	53.82	54.64	56.22
DeIT+AMT	81.11	65.50	38.36	75.80	56.53	62.16	53.19	76.09	58.98	58.57	62.63
Δ	+6.88	+8.18	+3.16	+6.44	+4.80	+6.08	+7.67	+11.78	+5.16	+3.93	+6.41
AdvPre [25]	58.59	69.40	33.97	61.71	46.41	61.69	45.51	68.18	50.03	52.62	54.81
AdvPre+AMT	73.35	73.72	37.16	69.79	52.41	63.87	49.91	75.62	59.69	56.16	61.17
Δ	+14.76	+4.32	+3.19	+8.08	+6.00	+2.18	+4.40	+7.44	+9.66	+3.54	+6.36

Hyper-parameters Analysis



Loss Coefficient

(a) Clean Few-shot Accuracy

λ_{adv}	In-domain	Out-of-domain										Avg.
	ImageNet	Omglot	Acrafft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO		
0	68.50	70.95	41.53	79.74	62.02	59.29	59.11	84.72	56.14	56.57	63.85	
6*	68.80	71.95	42.90	79.95	62.99	59.62	59.06	85.37	63.78	57.14	65.16	
8	67.51	72.23	42.69	79.02	62.63	59.97	58.92	78.10	61.30	57.17	63.96	

(b) Adversarial Few-shot Accuracy

λ_{adv}	In-domain	Out-of-domain										Avg.
	ImageNet	Omglot	Acrafft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO		
0	22.00	12.58	5.35	21.15	22.96	1.74	10.91	30.66	1.86	8.77	13.80	
6*	33.70	42.19	11.72	32.05	32.47	27.45	19.74	41.12	22.79	17.67	28.09	
8	31.85	54.77	21.19	34.85	34.20	39.97	26.09	54.79	37.61	24.15	35.95	

Pool Size

P	ϵ mean	ϵ variance	In-domain	Out-of-domain										Avg.
			ImageNet	Omglot	Acrafft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO		
1	3.50	0	58.80	67.50	39.63	64.30	54.16	59.54	51.87	78.32	60.44	50.85	58.54	
2	3.05	8.70	65.54	72.62	43.39	76.42	62.54	59.69	55.81	82.94	59.51	56.20	63.48	
3	2.04	7.86	67.60	72.39	43.14	79.56	60.68	60.62	56.86	85.08	63.88	56.37	64.62	
4*	3.53	12.56	68.80	71.95	42.90	79.95	62.99	59.62	59.06	85.37	63.78	57.14	65.16	
5	3.52	10.05	67.18	71.26	42.76	80.32	63.00	61.54	58.53	82.56	61.71	57.32	64.62	
6	4.02	11.85	65.73	71.48	42.53	73.99	60.87	59.84	55.46	85.18	60.67	55.93	63.17	

LoRA Rank

r	In-domain	Out-of-domain										Avg.
	ImageNet	Omglot	Acrafft	CUB	DTD	QDraw	Fungi	Flower	Sign	COCO		
4	68.55	71.94	42.41	79.69	62.16	60.91	59.27	84.38	63.13	57.72	65.02	
8*	68.80	71.95	42.90	79.95	62.99	59.62	59.06	85.37	63.78	57.14	65.16	
16	68.22	72.15	43.34	79.98	62.43	60.86	56.64	83.67	62.97	57.13	64.74	
32	68.29	71.96	43.00	81.11	63.07	61.03	59.56	80.50	63.29	57.83	64.96	
64	67.39	72.20	43.15	81.21	62.98	60.56	56.74	83.54	62.90	57.13	64.78	
128	68.35	72.26	42.74	81.33	63.43	60.62	56.70	83.86	63.25	57.09	64.96	

Top-k

top-k	In-domain	Out-of-domain										Avg.
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1	67.70	70.96	41.59	77.22	62.15	61.05	54.58	81.60	58.24	55.68	63.08	
2*	68.80	71.95	42.90	79.95	62.99	59.62	59.06	85.37	63.78	57.14	65.16	
3	68.29	73.11	42.93	80.25	62.73	60.56	58.03	82.94	61.61	57.39	64.78	
4	65.97	71.89	42.65	78.50	61.80	60.12	57.43	84.84	61.83	57.38	64.24	

Thanks!