

SD-LoRA: SCALABLE DECOUPLED LOW-RANK ADAPTATION FOR CLASS INCREMENTAL LEARNING

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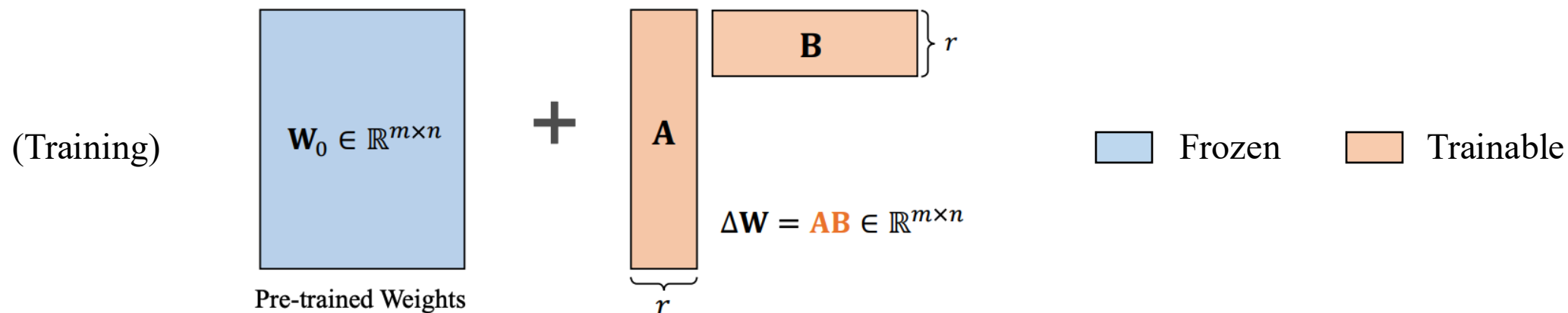
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(Testing)

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Avoid additional inference overhead
by incorporating the LoRAs into pre-trained weights

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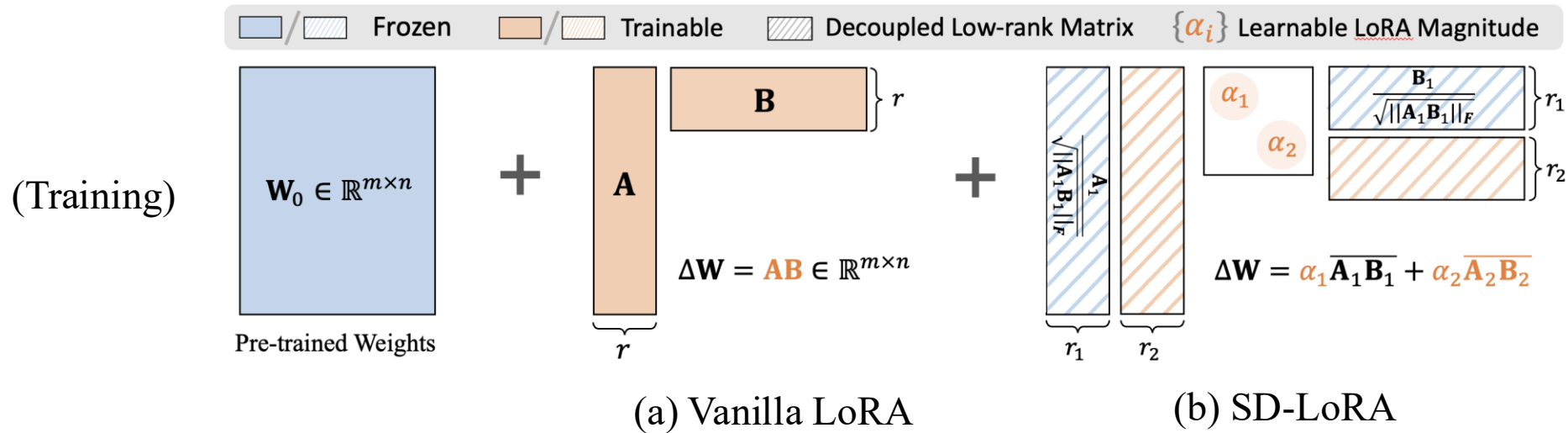
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Decouple the **magnitude** and **direction** of the learned **AB**

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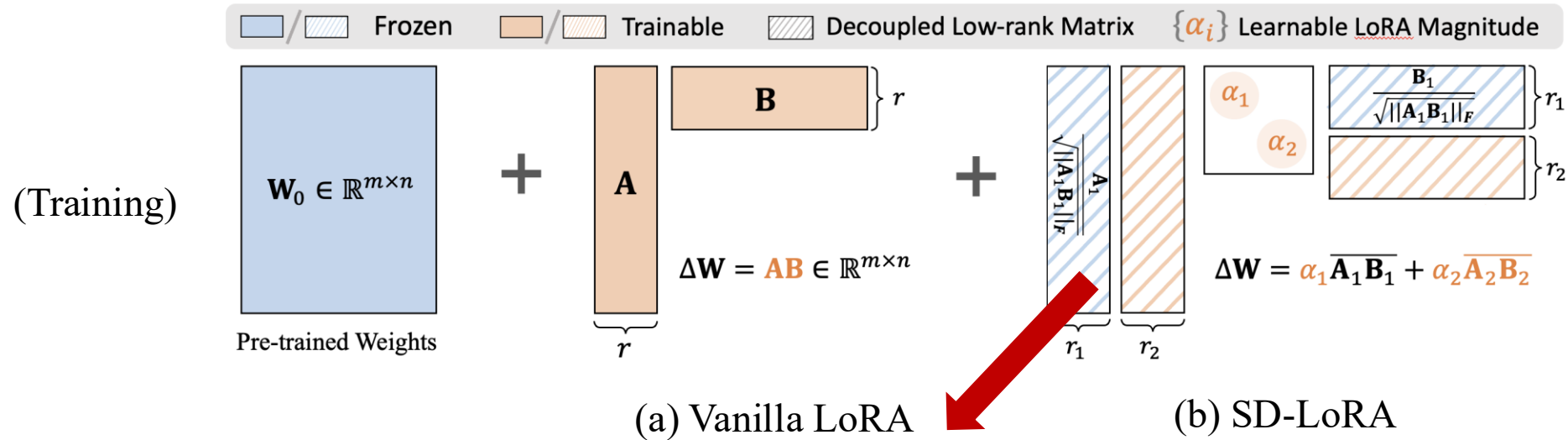
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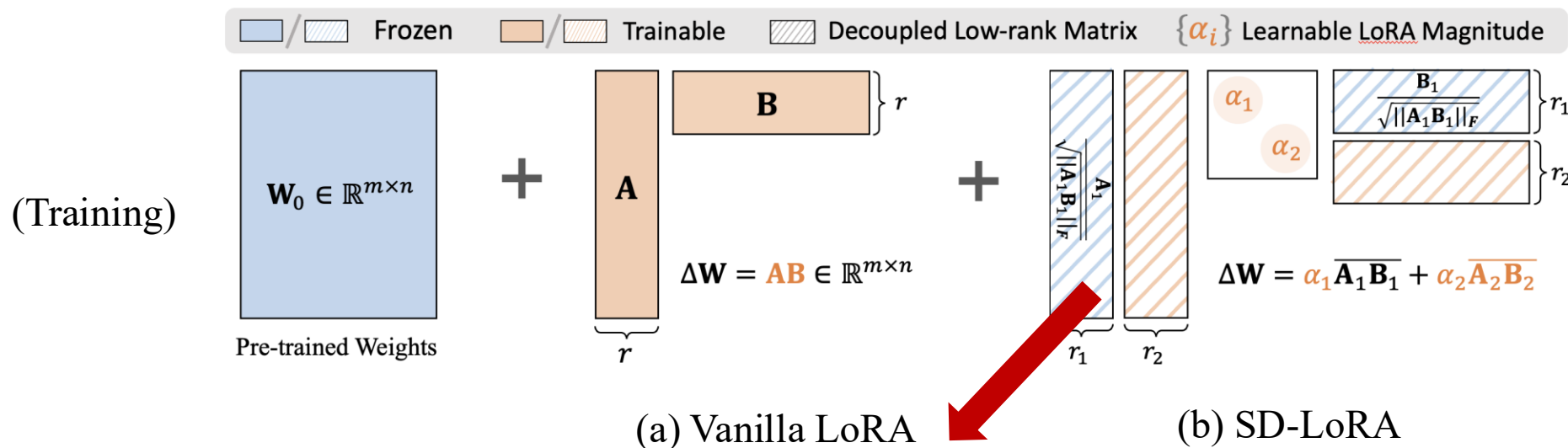
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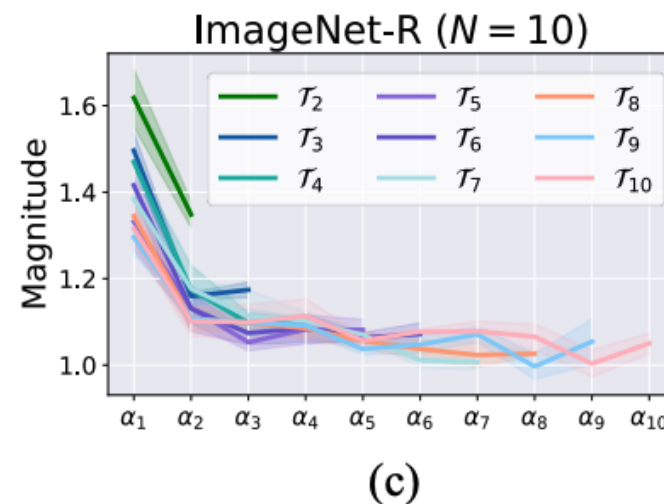
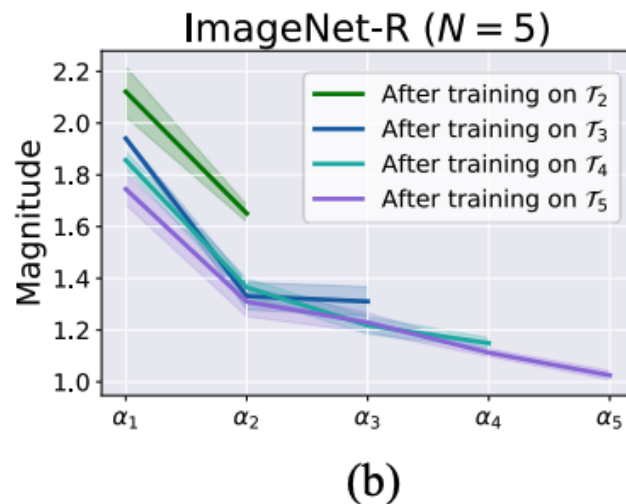
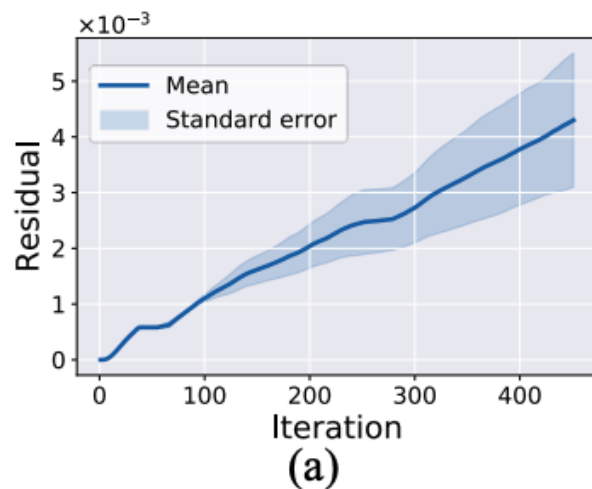
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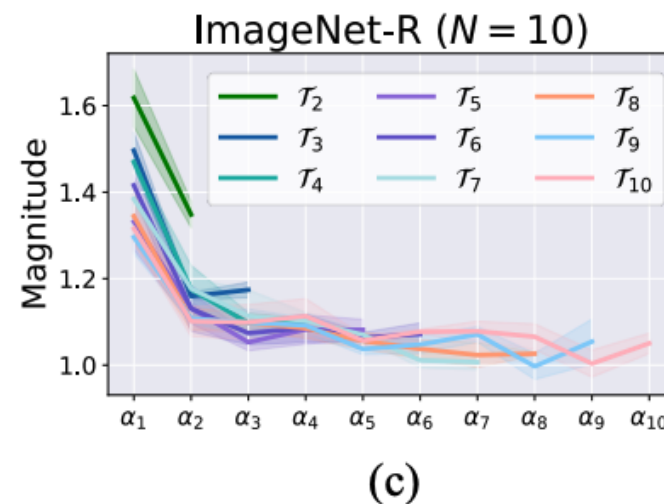
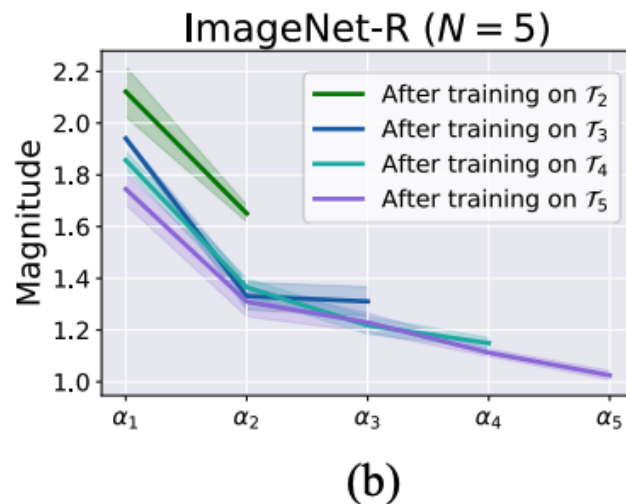
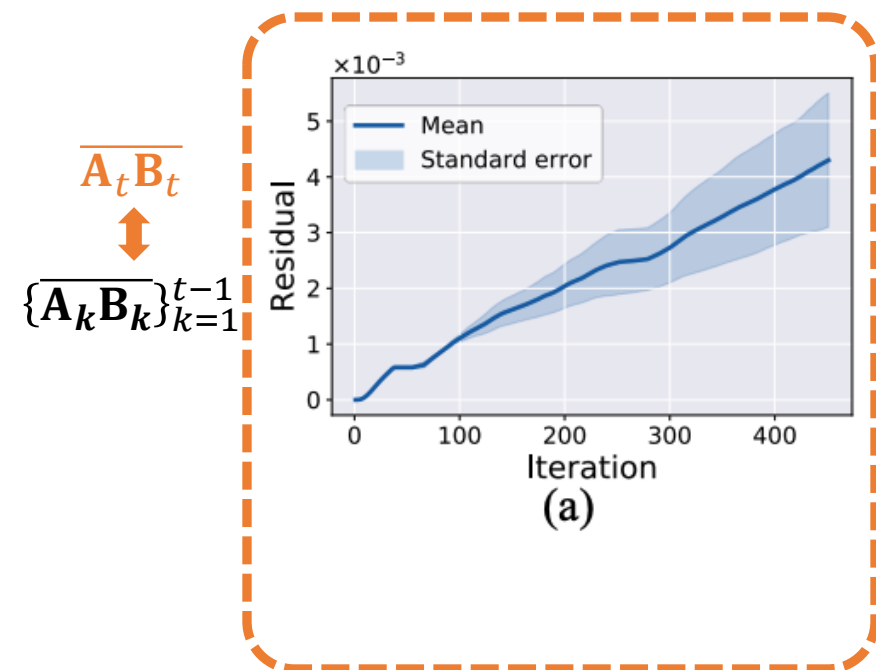
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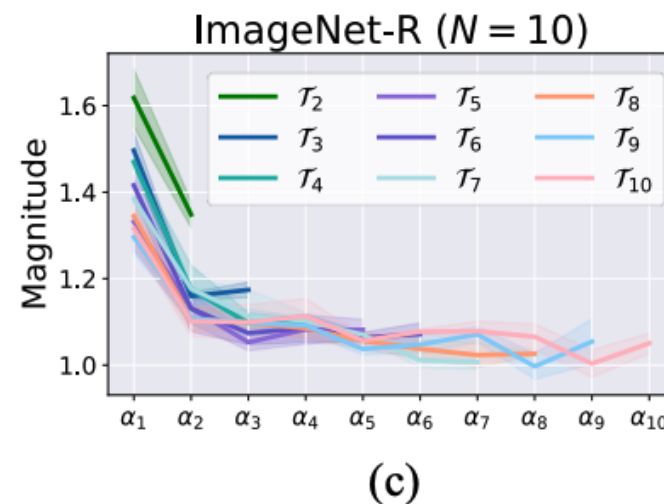
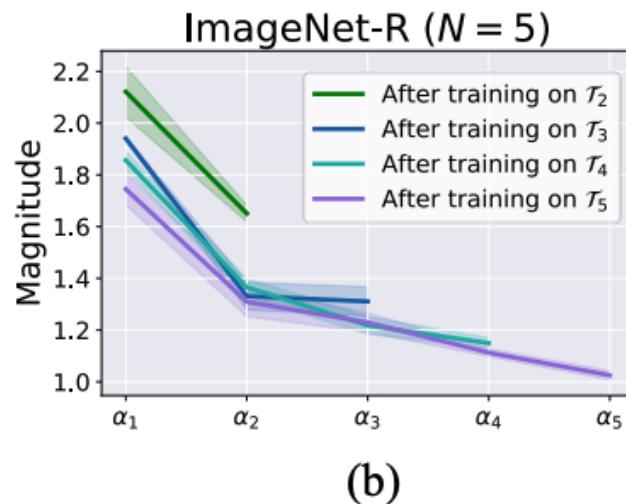
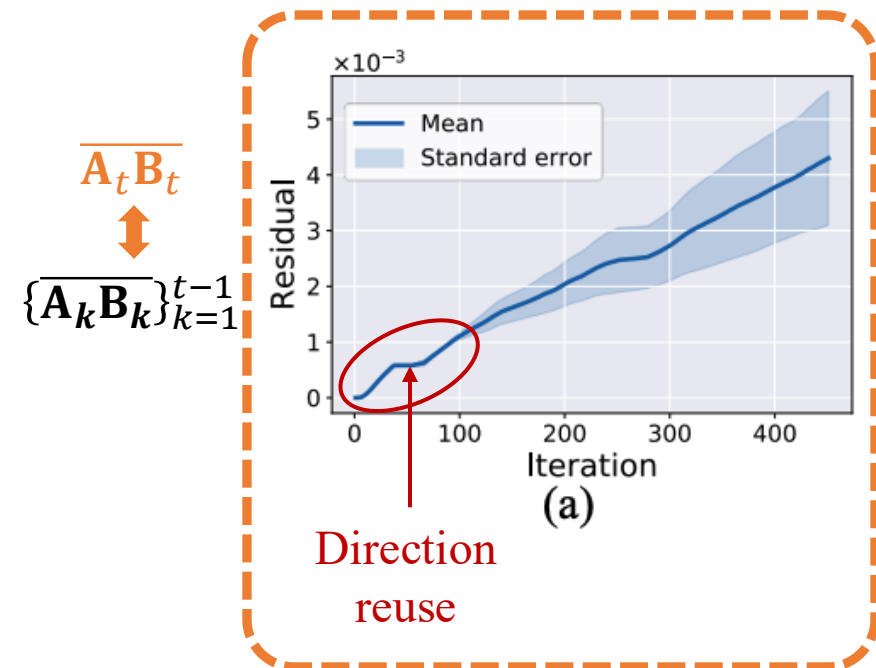
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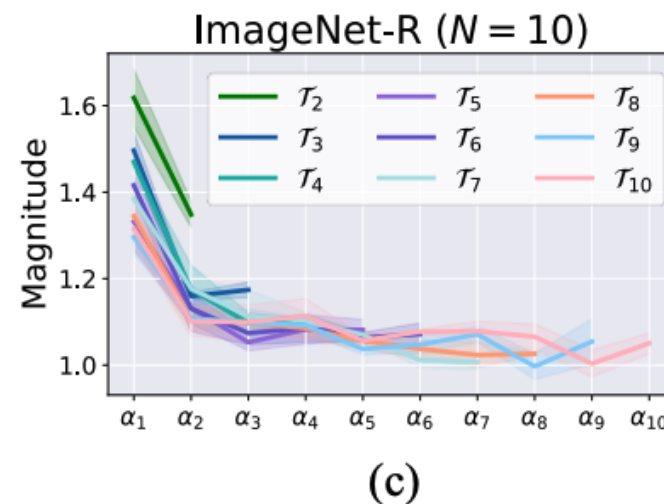
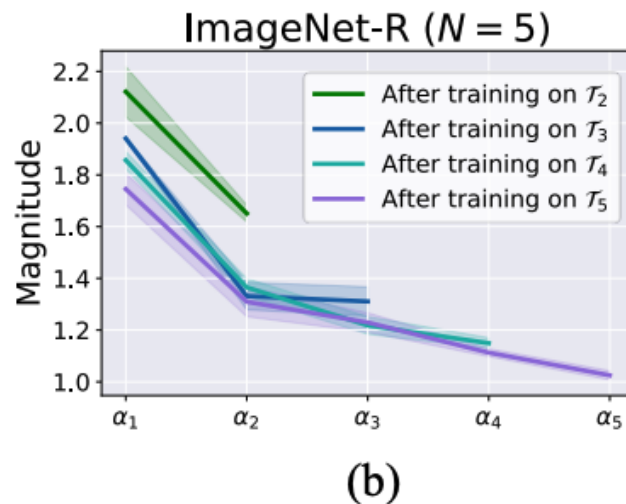
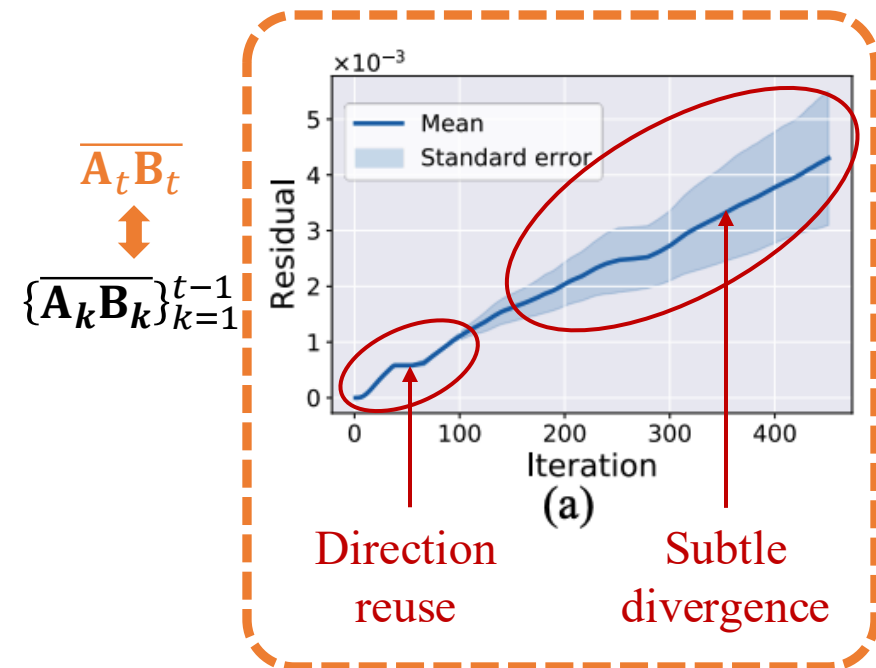
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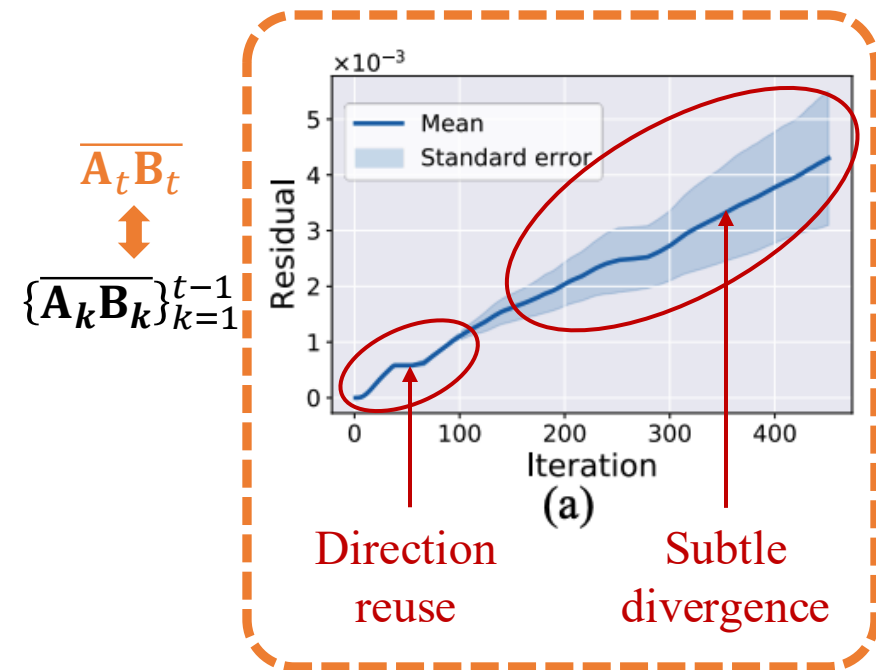
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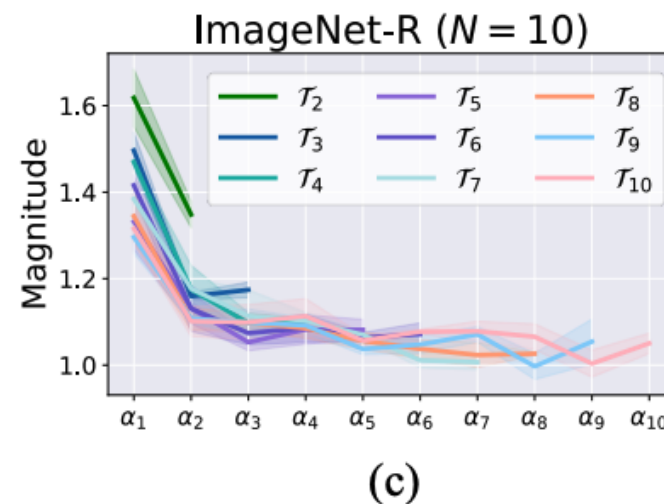
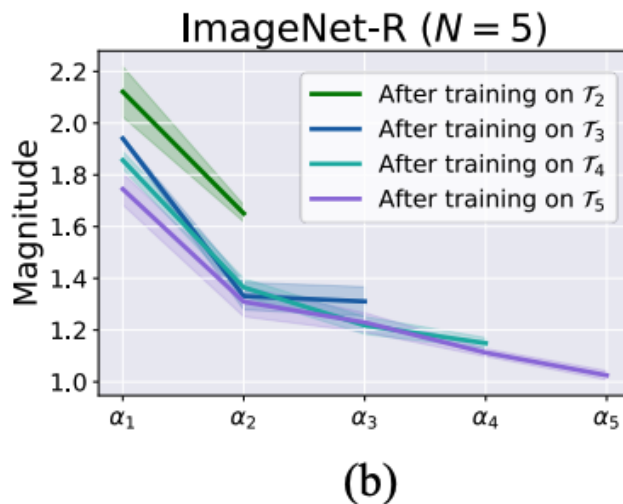


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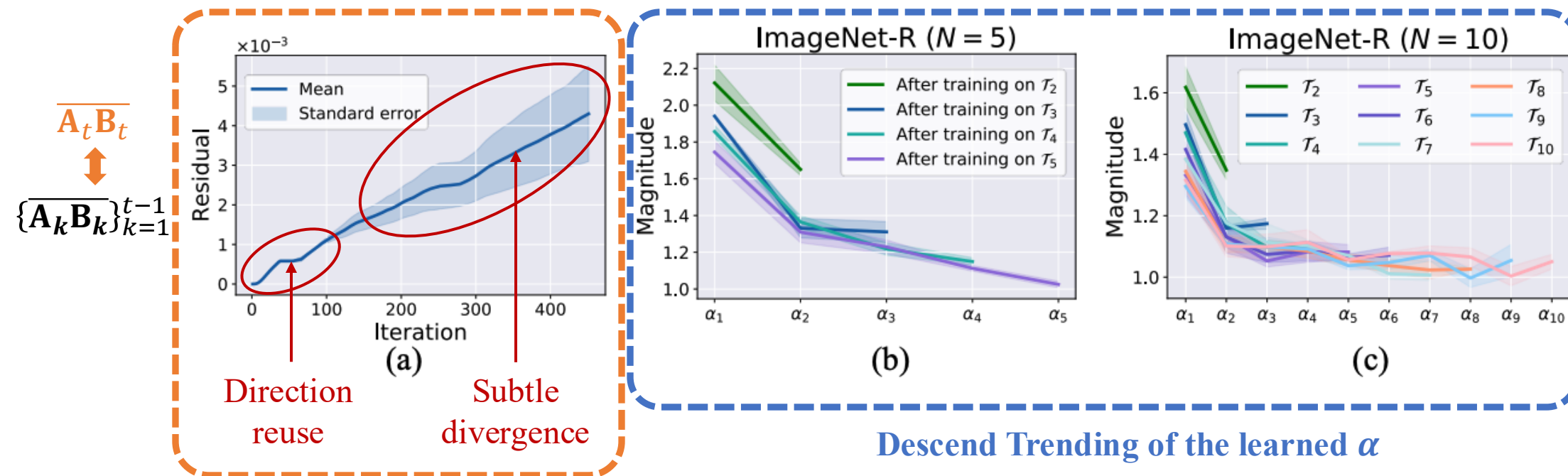


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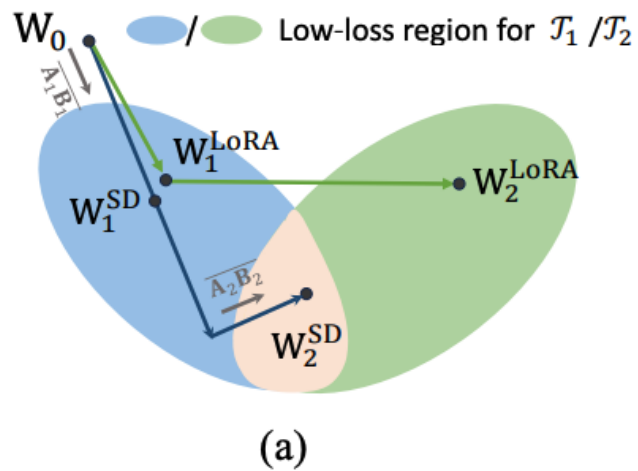
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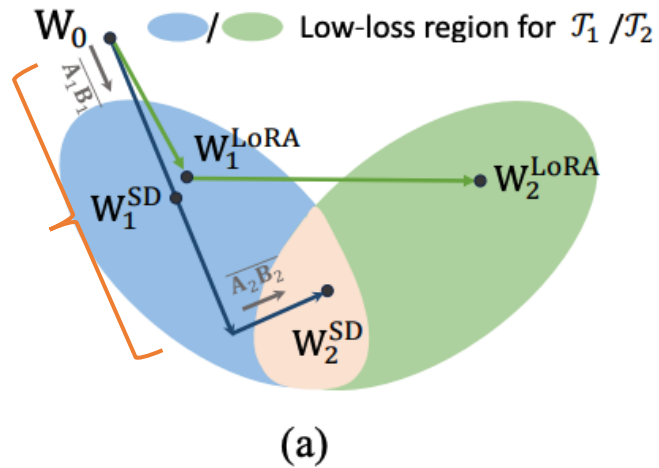
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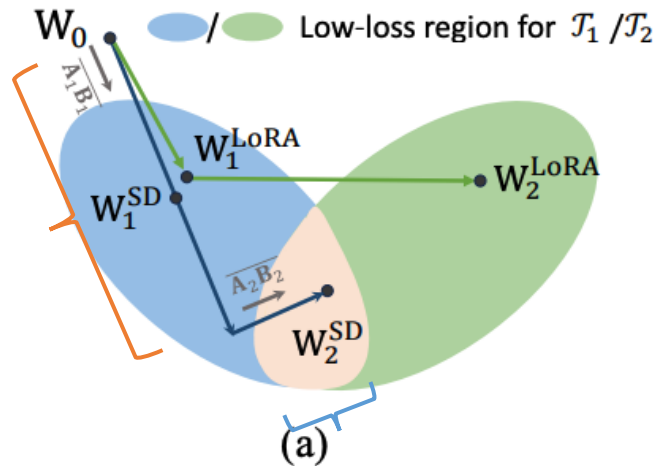
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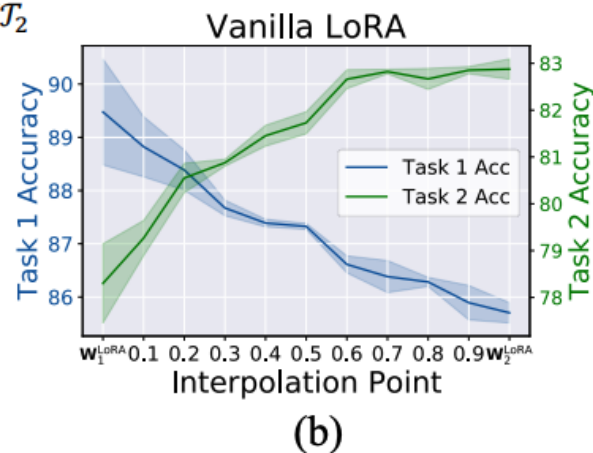
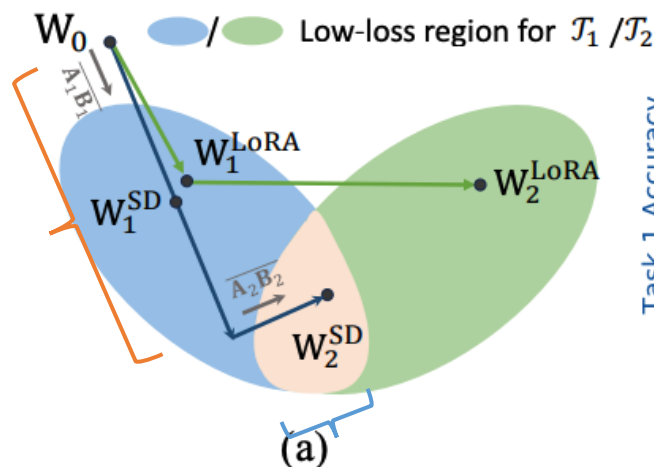
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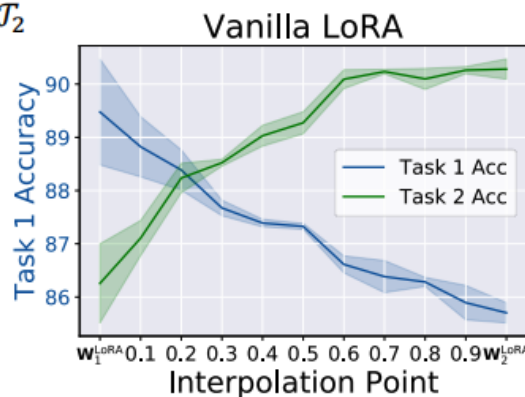
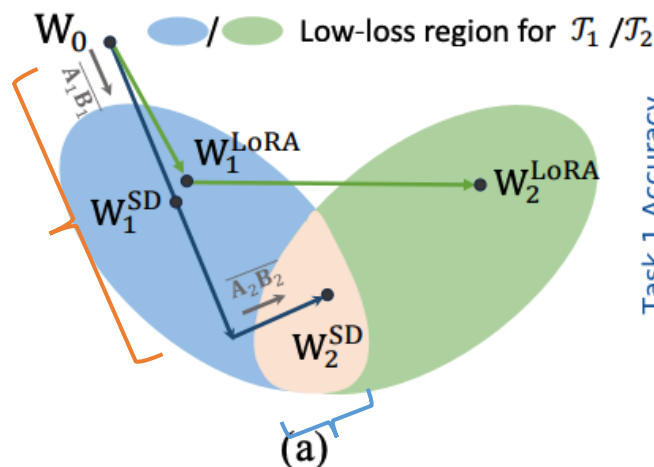
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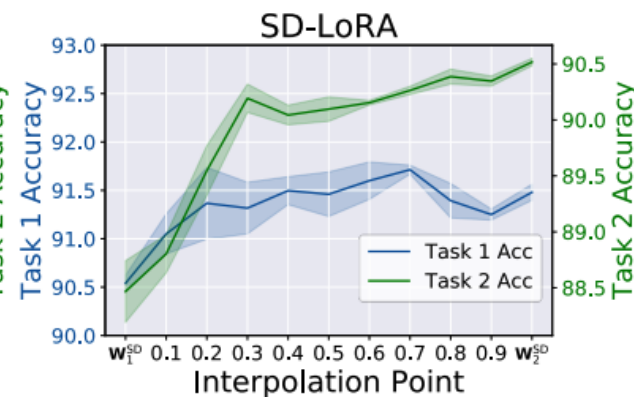
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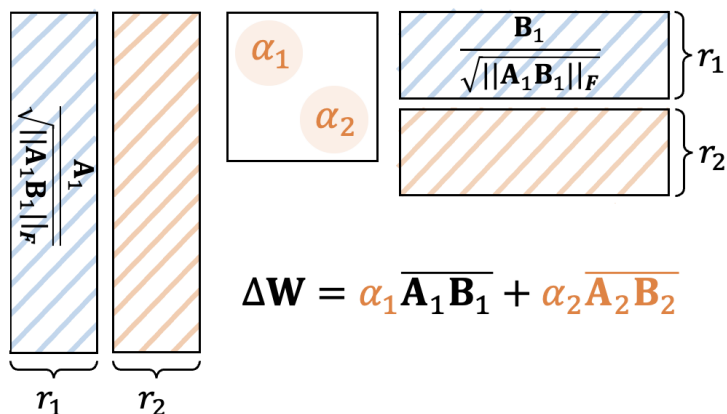
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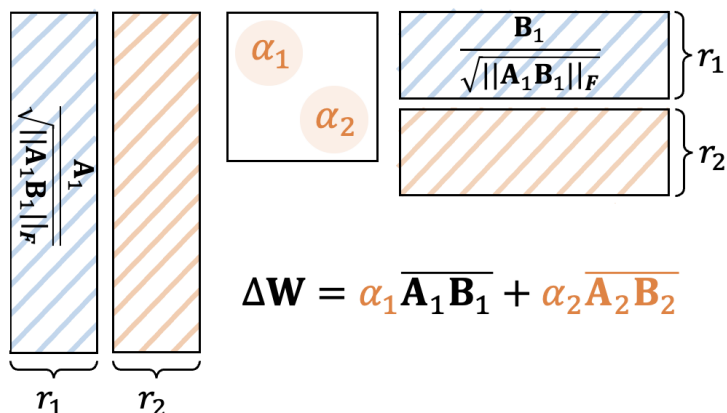
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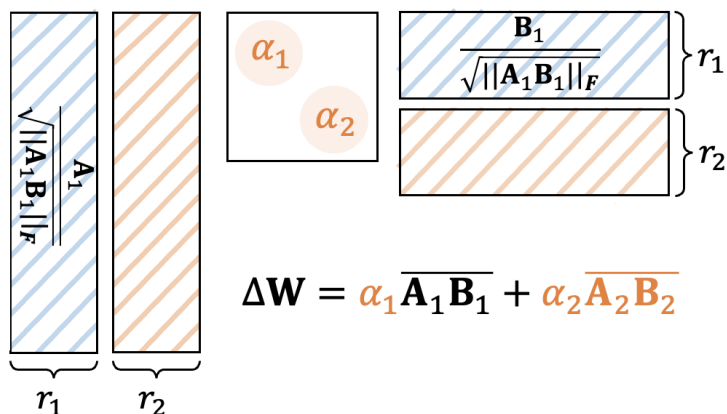
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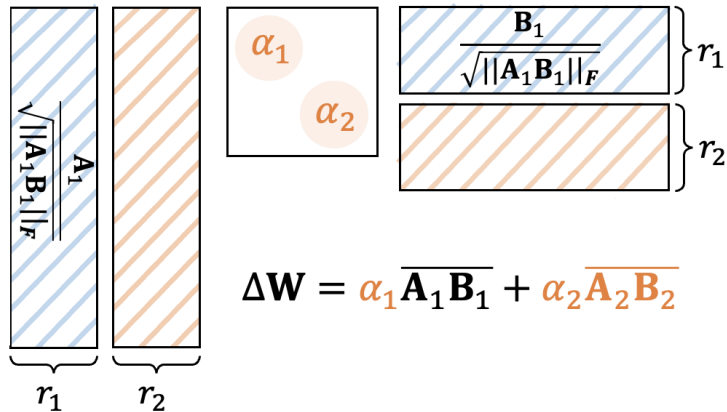
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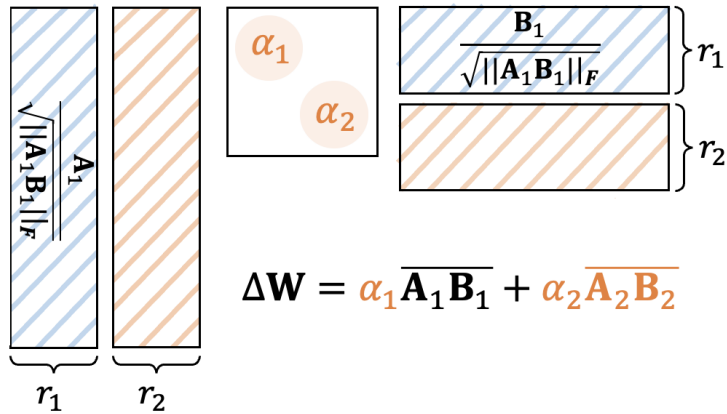
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As the continual training progress, the learned matrix \mathbf{AB} gradually approximate the principal components of $\Delta \mathbf{W}^*$

Efficient Variants of SD-LoRA

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Reduce the rank of the newly introduced LoRA



SD-LoRA-RR

$$r_1 = r_2 = \dots > r_\mu = r_{\mu+1} = \dots > r_\nu = r_{\nu+1} = \dots = r_N$$

Don't need to introduce the extra LoRA part

SD-LoRA-KD (Knowledge Distillation)

$$\{\Delta \alpha_k\}_{k=1}^{t-1} = \arg \min_{\{\alpha'_k\}_{k=1}^{t-1}} \left\| \overline{\mathbf{A}_t \mathbf{B}_t} - \sum_{k=1}^{t-1} \alpha'_k \overline{\mathbf{A}_k \mathbf{B}_k} \right\|_F^2$$

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Represent new directions by the subspace spanned by previously learned directions

Experimental Results

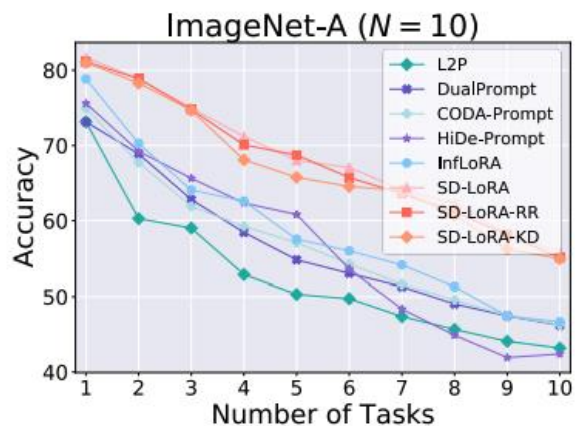
The performance on different task lengths.

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Full Fine-Tuning	64.92 _(0.87)	75.57 _(0.50)	60.57 _(1.06)	72.31 _(1.09)	49.95 _(1.31)	65.32 _(0.84)
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HiDe-Prompt	74.77 _(0.25)	78.15 _(0.24)	74.65 _(0.14)	78.46 _(0.18)	73.59 _(0.19)	77.93 _(0.19)
InfLoRA	76.95 _(0.23)	81.81 _(0.14)	74.75 _(0.64)	80.67 _(0.55)	69.89 _(0.56)	76.68 _(0.57)
SD-LoRA	79.15 _(0.20)	83.01 _(0.42)	77.34 _(0.35)	82.04 _(0.24)	75.26 _(0.37)	80.22 _(0.72)
SD-LoRA-RR	79.01 _(0.26)	82.50 _(0.38)	77.18 _(0.39)	81.74 _(0.24)	74.05 _(0.51)	80.65 _(0.35)
SD-LoRA-KD	78.85 _(0.29)	82.47 _(0.58)	77.03 _(0.67)	81.52 _(0.26)	74.12 _(0.66)	80.11 _(0.75)

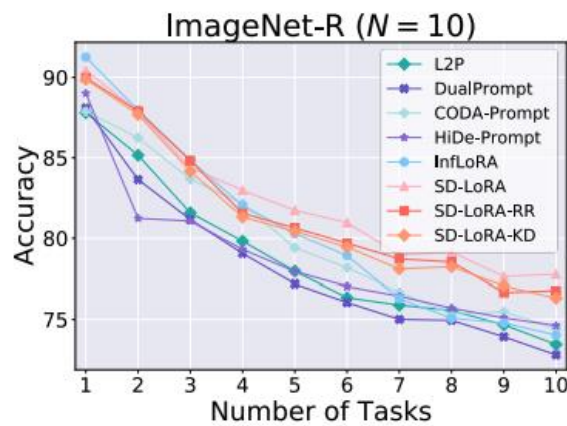
The performance on different continual learning benchmarks.

Method	ImageNet-A ($N = 10$)		DomainNet ($N = 5$)	
	Acc \uparrow	AAA \uparrow	Acc \uparrow	AAA \uparrow
Full Fine-Tuning	16.31 _(7.89)	30.04 _(13.18)	51.46 _(0.47)	67.08 _(1.13)
L2P (Wang et al., 2022b)	42.94 _(1.27)	51.40 _(1.95)	70.26 _(0.25)	75.83 _(0.98)
DualPrompt (Wang et al., 2022a)	45.49 _(0.96)	54.68 _(1.24)	68.26 _(0.90)	73.84 _(0.45)
CODA-Prompt (Smith et al., 2023)	45.36 _(0.78)	57.03 _(0.94)	70.58 _(0.53)	76.68 _(0.44)
HiDe-Prompt (Wang et al., 2024a)	42.70 _(0.60)	56.32 _(0.40)	72.20 _(0.08)	77.01 _(0.04)
InfLoRA (Liang & Li, 2024)	49.20 _(1.12)	60.92 _(0.61)	71.59 _(0.23)	78.29 _(0.50)
SDLoRA	55.96 _(0.73)	64.95 _(1.63)	72.82 _(0.37)	78.89 _(0.50)
SD-LoRA-RR	55.59 _(1.08)	64.59 _(1.91)	72.58 _(0.40)	78.79 _(0.78)
SD-LoRA-KD	54.24 _(1.12)	63.89 _(0.58)	72.15 _(0.50)	78.44 _(0.66)

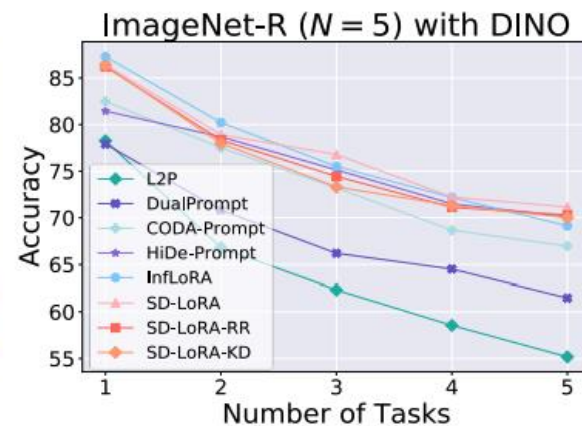
The detailed performance on the streaming tasks and the results on different backbones



(a)



(b)



(c)

Thanks!