# Appendix of "Deep Self-paced Active Learning for Image Clustering"

### **Appendix A: ACC Results of All Methods**

Table 1 shows the ACC results of all methods on all data sets. We can see that DSAC can achieve better performance with much fewer human annotations. Although TOD outperforms ours on CIFAR-100-20, it needs 5000 annotations but ours only needs 100 annotations. Moreover, with 100 annotations, our performance is comparable with TOD with 4000 annotations on ACC.

## **Appendix B: t-sne Results on CIFAR-10**

We show the t-sne [8] results of the embedding learned from our network with different numbers of annotations on the CIFAR-10 data set. Figure 1 shows the results. Figure 1(a) shows the embedding obtained by our networks without any annotations. Figure 1(b)-(f) show the results with  $20, 40, \dots, 100$  annotations, respectively. It can be seen that the embeddings entangle when there are no annotations and have a clearer clustering structure when having 20 annotations. Moreover, just with 40 annotations, our network can learn a much better embedding for data.

Table 1: ACC results with different numbers of selection annotations on all the data sets.

Data sets	Number of	SDEC	AutoEmbedder	SRAAL	TOD	CoreGCN	ADC	MCDAL	Number of	DSAC P	DSAC
	annotations	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	annotations	DSAC-K	
STL-10	200	0.1957	0.5750	0.2883	0.3269	0.1193	0.1980	0.2695	20	0.3774	0.8725
	400	0.1958	0.7110	0.3486	0.3870	0.2180	0.2070	0.5301	40	0.5033	0.9020
	600	0.1963	0.7690	0.3819	0.4212	0.2076	0.2430	0.6627	60	0.6308	0.9023
	800	0.1951	0.7920	0.3929	0.4432	0.3442	0.2577	0.7327	80	0.7587	0.9051
	1000	0.1958	0.7730	0.4210	0.4605	0.2873	0.2621	0.7262	100	0.7931	0.9103
CIFAR-10	1000	0.2259	0.4910	0.4037	0.4876	0.3266	0.2315	0.5535	20	0.4786	0.5800
	2000	0.2290	0.5860	0.4647	0.5906	0.3816	0.2423	0.6352	40	0.5478	0.8754
	3000	0.2209	0.5820	0.5781	0.7053	0.4210	0.2575	0.7161	60	0.5543	0.8811
	4000	0.2262	0.6220	0.5964	0.7944	0.4899	0.2573	0.7643	80	0.5345	0.8829
	5000	0.2239	0.6820	0.6078	0.8366	0.5268	0.2604	0.7941	100	0.5437	0.8818
	1000	0.1363	0.2880	0.2595	0.2884	0.2088	0.1053	0.3198	20	0.3101	0.3796
	2000	0.1370	0.3330	0.3396	0.3453	0.2480	0.1024	0.3631	40	0.3183	0.4903
CIFAR-100	3000	0.1368	0.3240	0.3733	0.4173	0.2666	0.1098	0.4264	60	0.3263	0.5024
-20	4000	0.1367	0.3110	0.4255	0.4910	0.3204	0.1122	0.4627	80	0.3233	0.5016
	5000	0.1361	0.3880	0.4601	0.5747	0.3160	0.1095	0.5253	100	0.3239	0.5086





(a) The embedding of original data

(b) The embedding with 20 annotations



(c) The embedding with 40 annotations



(d) The embedding with 60 annotations



(e) The embedding with 80 annotations

(f) The embedding with 100 annotations

Figure 1: t-sne of the embedding with different numbers of annotations of DSAC on CIFAR-10.

Table 2: Accuracy of the pseudo-labels.

Iteration	1	2	3	4	5
STL-10	0.9864	1.0000	0.9984	0.9971	0.9974
CIFAR-10	0.9926	0.9898	0.9945	0.9967	0.9982
CIFAR-100-20	0.8123	0.8190	0.8606	0.8753	0.8769

## **Appendix C: Effects of Pseudo-labels**

We show the accuracy of the pseudo-labels, which means whether the pseudo-labels generated by our method are correct. The accuracy of the pseudo-labels within the 5 iterations is shown in Table 2. From Table 2, we can find that on STL-10 and CIFAR-10 data sets, the pseudo-labels generated by our method are very accurate, and thus can effectively enlarge the labeled set  $\mathcal{L}$  and are helpful for clustering. On the CIFAR-100-20 data set, the pseudo-labels are also good enough for clustering. Moreover, on CIFAR-100-20 we find that the pseudo-labels become more accurate with the iterations. It is because that with the iterations, the quality of the learned embeddings improves and thus it is easier to generate the correct pseudo-labels. It well demonstrates that the embeddings obtained from our neural network have an increasingly clear clustering structure.

#### **Appendix D: Hyperparameter Study**

We show the sensitivity of the hyperparameter  $\gamma$  in Figure 2. Figure 2 shows ACC, NMI, and ARI of DSAC on all data sets with  $\gamma$  in the range  $[10^{-4}, 10^3]$ . It can be seen that the performance of DSAC is relatively stable in a wide range of  $\gamma$ .

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Figure 2: ACC, NMI, and ARI on all data sets with different  $\gamma$ .

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