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#### HCL-TAT: A Hybrid Contrastive Learning Method for Few-shot Event Detection with Task-Adaptive Threshold

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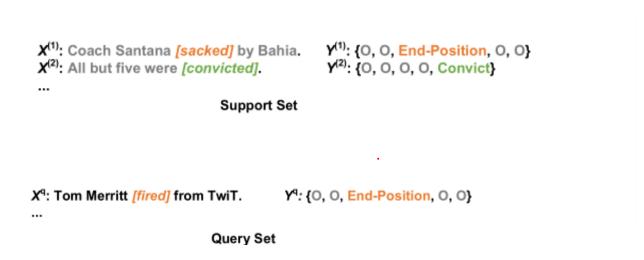








#### Introduction



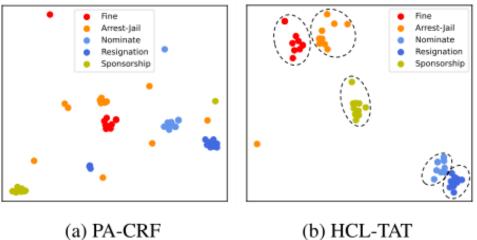


Figure 1: Visualization of triggers in the same episode on FewEvent test set. The left and right half shows support set representations without and with hybrid contrastive learning, respectively.



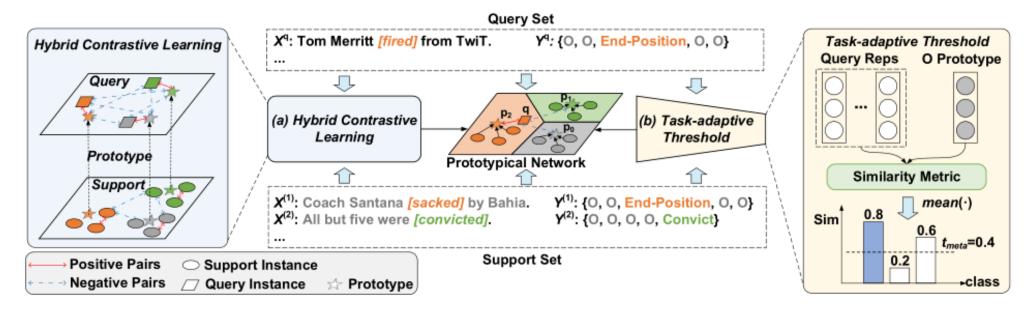
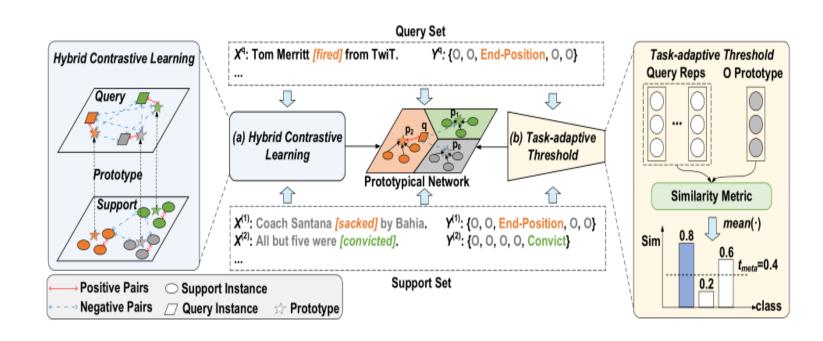


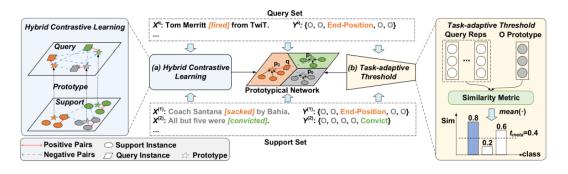
Figure 2: Overall framework of the proposed HCL-TAT model. HCL-TAT is based on a prototypical network, composed of two components: (a) hybrid contrastive learning including support-support contrastive learning and prototype-query contrastive learning; (b) task-adaptive threshold based on the logits in each episode.





$$\mathcal{X} = \{x_{1}, x_{2}, ..., x_{n}\}$$
$$\mathcal{Y} = \{y_{1}, y_{2}, ..., y_{n}\}$$
$$\mathcal{S} = \{\mathcal{X}^{(i)}, \mathcal{Y}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N \times K}$$
$$\mathcal{Q} = \{\mathcal{X}^{(i)}, \mathcal{Y}^{(i)}\}_{i=1}^{N \times M}$$
$$\mathcal{T} = \{\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{Q}\}$$
$$\mathcal{T}_{train} = \{\mathcal{T}_{i}\}_{i=1}^{M_{train}}$$
$$\mathcal{T}_{test} = \{\mathcal{T}_{i}\}_{i=1}^{M_{test}}$$





$$\{\mathbf{h}_1, \mathbf{h}_2, ..., \mathbf{h}_n\} = f(\mathcal{X}, \theta), \qquad (1)$$

$$\mathbf{p}_{c} = \frac{1}{K} \sum_{i \in \mathcal{S}(c)} \mathbf{h}_{i}, \ c = 0, 1, ..., N,$$
 (2)

$$\mathcal{L}_{CE} = -\sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in \mathcal{Q}} \log P(y_i | x_i, \mathcal{S}), \quad (3)$$

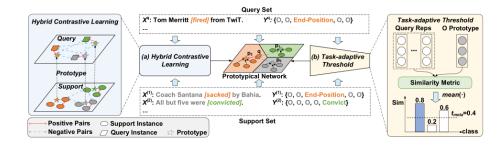
$$P(y_i|x_i, \mathcal{S}) = \frac{\exp(-d(\mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{p}_{y_i}))}{\sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \exp(-d(\mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{p}_c))}, \quad (4)$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{CE}}{\partial \mathbf{h}_i} = \frac{\sum_n \Delta_n (\mathbf{p}^n - \mathbf{p}^{pos})}{1 + \sum_n \Delta_n}, \quad (5)$$
$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{CE}}{\partial \mathbf{p}^n} = \frac{\Delta_n \mathbf{h}_i}{1 + \sum_n \Delta_n}, \\ \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{CE}}{\partial \mathbf{p}^{pos}} = -\frac{\sum_n \Delta_n \mathbf{h}_i}{1 + \sum_n \Delta_n},$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{p}^n} \equiv \overline{1 + \sum_n \Delta_n}, \ \overline{\partial \mathbf{p}^{pos}} \equiv -\frac{1}{1 + \sum_n \Delta_n},$$
(6)

$$\Delta_n = \exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n} \cdot \mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos}).$$
 (7)

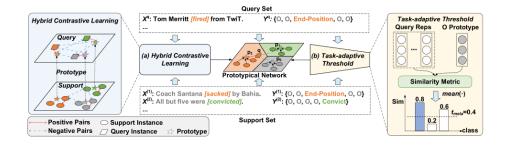




$$\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_i = \mathbf{W}_2 \sigma(\mathbf{W}_1 \mathbf{h}_i), \tag{8}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{SSCL} = \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in \mathcal{S}} \mathcal{L}_{SSCL_i}, \qquad (9)$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{SSCL_i} = -\log \frac{\exp(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_i \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_j / \tau)}{\sum_{k \neq i} \exp(\tilde{\mathbf{h}}_i \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_k / \tau)}, \quad (10)$$





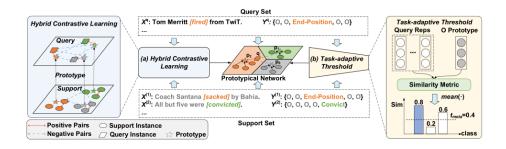
$$\mathcal{L}_{PQCL} = \sum_{c \in \mathcal{C}} \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in \mathcal{Q}_c^{pos}} \mathcal{L}_{PQCL_c^i}, \quad (11)$$
$$\mathcal{L}_{PQCL_c^i} = -\log \frac{sim_c^i}{sim_c^i + \sum_{(x_k, y_k) \in \mathcal{Q}_c^{neg}} sim_c^k}, \quad (12)$$

$$sim_c^i = \exp(\mathbf{p}_c \cdot \tilde{\mathbf{h}}_i / \tau).$$
 (13)

$$t_{meta} = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{Q}|} \sum_{(x_i, y_i) \in \mathcal{Q}} P(y_i = 0 | x_i, \mathcal{S}). \quad (14)$$

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{CE} + \alpha \mathcal{L}_{SSCL} + \beta \mathcal{L}_{PQCL}, \qquad (15)$$





$$\mathcal{L}_{CE} = -\log \frac{\exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos})}{\exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos}) + \sum_{n} \exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n})}$$

$$= -\log \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{n} \frac{\exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n})}{\exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos})}}$$

$$= \log(1 + \sum_{n} \frac{\exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n})}{\exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos})})$$

$$= \log(1 + \sum_{n} \exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n} - \mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos})),$$
(16)

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{CE}}{\partial \mathbf{h}_{i}} = \frac{\sum_{n} \exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n} - \mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos}) |_{\mathbf{h}_{i}}}{1 + \sum_{n} \exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n} - \mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos})}$$
$$= \frac{\sum_{n} \exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n} - \mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos}) (\mathbf{p}^{n} - \mathbf{p}^{pos})}{1 + \sum_{n} \exp(\mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{n} - \mathbf{h}_{i} \cdot \mathbf{p}^{pos})}$$
$$= \frac{\sum_{n} \Delta_{n} (\mathbf{p}^{n} - \mathbf{p}^{pos})}{1 + \sum_{n} \Delta_{n}}.$$
(17)

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{CE}}{\partial \mathbf{p}^n} = \frac{\Delta_n \mathbf{h}_i}{1 + \sum_n \Delta_n},\tag{18}$$

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}_{CE}}{\partial \mathbf{p}^{pos}} = -\frac{\sum_{n} \Delta_{n} \mathbf{h}_{i}}{1 + \sum_{n} \Delta_{n}}.$$
 (19)





Model	5-way-5-shot	5-way-10-shot	10-way-5-shot	10-way-10-shot
LoLoss	$31.51 \pm 1.56$	$31.70\pm1.21$	$30.46 \pm 1.38$	$30.32\pm0.89$
MatchLoss	$30.44\pm0.99$	$30.68\pm0.78$	$28.97 \pm 0.61$	$30.05\pm0.93$
DMBPN	$37.51 \pm 2.60$	$38.14 \pm 2.32$	$34.21 \pm 1.45$	$35.31 \pm 1.69$
Proto-dot†	$41.54 \pm 3.82$	$42.21\pm0.68$	$33.27\pm2.37$	$39.23 \pm 2.95$
Match†	$30.09 \pm 1.71$	$48.10 \pm 1.38$	$28.94 \pm 1.15$	$45.91 \pm 1.98$
Proto <sup>†</sup>	$47.30\pm2.55$	$54.81 \pm 2.27$	$42.48 \pm 1.00$	$50.14 \pm 0.65$
Vanilla CRF	$59.01 \pm 0.81$	$62.21 \pm 1.94$	$56.00 \pm 1.51$	$59.35 \pm 1.09$
CDT	$59.30\pm0.23$	$62.77 \pm 0.12$	$56.41 \pm 1.09$	$59.44 \pm 1.83$
PA-CRF	$62.25 \pm 1.42$	$64.45\pm0.49$	$58.48 \pm 0.68$	$61.64\pm0.81$
HCL-TAT	<b>66.96</b> ± 0.70	$\textbf{68.80} \pm 0.85$	$\textbf{64.19} \pm 0.96$	$\textbf{66.00} \pm 0.81$

Table 1: F1 scores  $(10^{-2})$  of evaluated methods on FewEvent test set. † means the model is re-implemented by ourselves. The best scores are highlighted in boldface, with p < 0.02 under t-test.



Model	5-way-5-shot			5-way-10-shot		
niouoi	Р	R	F1	P	R	<b>F1</b>
HCL-TAT	<b>62.63</b> ± 2.31	$72.04 \pm 1.93$	$\textbf{66.96} \pm 0.70$	<b>63.87</b> ± 2.35	$74.65 \pm 1.36$	$\textbf{68.80} \pm 0.85$
w/o SSCL	$59.61 \pm 2.48$	$71.65 \pm 1.72$	$65.03 \pm 0.82$	$60.22 \pm 4.78$	$74.38 \pm 1.81$	$66.42 \pm 2.34$
w/o PQCL	$57.50 \pm 1.80$	$71.88 \pm 1.52$	$63.85\pm0.67$	$60.88 \pm 2.18$	$72.63 \pm 1.23$	$66.21 \pm 1.14$
w/o HCL	$49.52\pm4.34$	$74.67\pm3.36$	$59.38 \pm 2.59$	$57.72 \pm 2.72$	$73.35 \pm 1.10$	$64.57 \pm 1.69$
w/o TAT	$46.69 \pm 1.25$	$\textbf{76.98} \pm 0.29$	$58.12\pm0.94$	$49.56 \pm 1.11$	$76.33\pm0.67$	$60.09\pm0.92$

Table 2: Precision, recall and F1 scores  $(10^{-2})$  of ablation study results on FewEvent test set. When remove both HCL and TAT, the method degenerates to a Proto model.





Model	FSTI	FSED
PA-CRF		
HCL-TAT	68.18	66.96

Table 3: Average F1 scores  $(10^{-2})$  of HCL-TAT and PA-CRF on FSTI and FSED tasks, on FewEvent test set under 5-way-5-shot setting.

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### Experiments

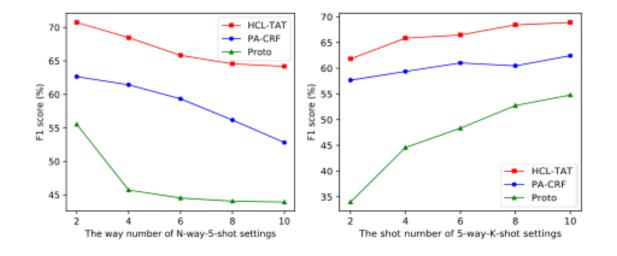


Figure 3: N-way-K-shot evaluations for three different models. The left part illustrates F1 scores in N-way-5-shot settings, and the right part illustrates F1 scores in 5-way-K-shot settings. We run each experiment once to analyze the tendency of F1 scores.



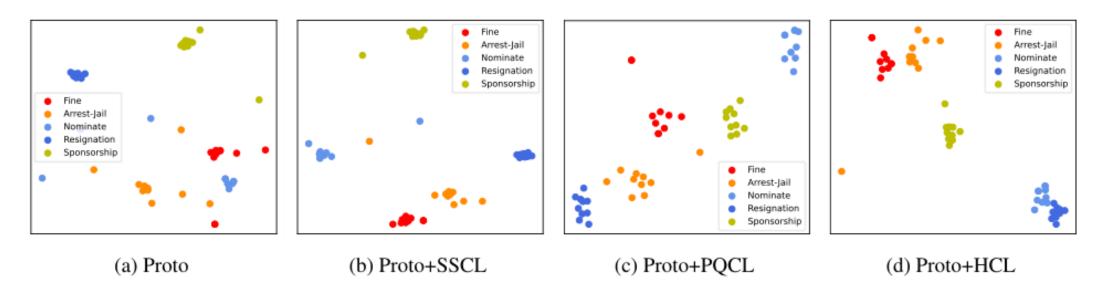


Figure 4: Visualization of trigger embeddings in the same episode on FewEvent test set, under 5-way-10-shot setting. From left to right, the visualization results of four FSED models are given respectively.



Subset	#Class	#Trigger	#Avg.Len
Train	80	69088	36.5
Valid	10	2274	38.6
Test	10	748	30.8

Table 4: The statistics of FewEvent Dataset. #Class, #Trigger and #Avg.Len denotes the number of classes, the number of triggers and the average length of sentences in each split part respectively.



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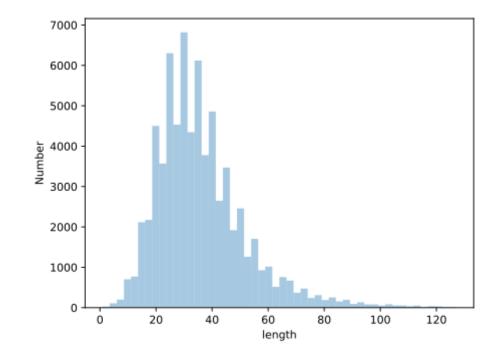


Figure 5: Length distribution of sentences in FewEvent dataset.



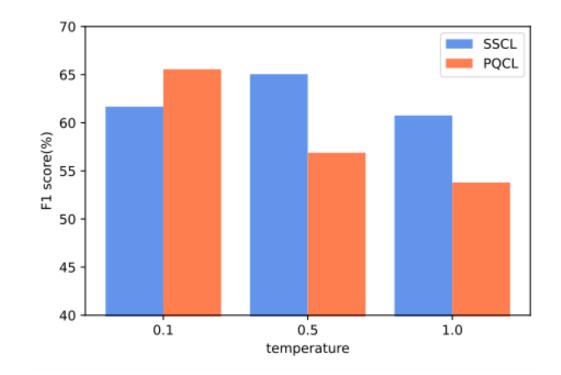


Figure 6: F1 scores $(10^{-2})$  over different temperature values on the two contrastive losses. The results are obtained under 5-way-5-shot setting in FewEvent test set.





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