# SloMo-Fast: Slow-Momentum and Fast-Adaptive Teachers for Source-Free Continual Test-Time Adaptation

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#### **Abstract**

Continual Test-Time Adaptation (CTTA) is crucial for deploying models in real-world applications with unseen, evolving target domains. Existing CTTA methods, however, often rely on source data or prototypes, limiting their applicability in privacy-sensitive and resource-constrained settings. Additionally, these methods suffer from long-term forgetting, which degrades performance on previously encountered domains as target domains shift. To address these challenges, we propose SloMo-Fast, a source-free, dual-teacher CTTA framework designed for enhanced adaptability and generalization. It includes two complementary teachers: the Slow-Teacher, which exhibits slow forgetting and retains long-term knowledge of previously encountered domains to ensure robust generalization, and the Fast-Teacher rapidly adapts to new domains while accumulating and integrating knowledge across them. This framework efficiently preserves knowledge of past domains, adapts efficiently to new ones. Our extensive experimental results demonstrate that SloMo-Fast consistently outperforms state-of-the-art methods across CTTA benchmarks, achieving a mean error rate of 33.8% in various TTA settings. Notably, it surpasses existing methods by a margin of at least 1.5%. Additionally, SloMo-Fast achieves significant performance improvements in Mixed Domain and our proposed new benchmark Mixed domain comes after Continual Domain scenarios along with Cyclic repeatation in continual test time adaptation setting, indicating its ability to learn generalized representations across domains.

# 1 Introduction

Adapting models to changing environments is crucial for deploying autonomous systems in real-world scenarios. Continual Test-Time Adaptation (CTTA) has emerged as a key

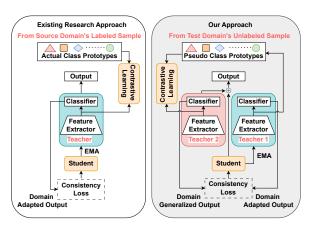


Figure 1: Overview of CTTA approaches with teacher-student models and contrastive learning. SloMo-Fast (on the right) integrates a second teacher model and dynamically generates prototypes at test time without requiring source data.

research area, addressing the need for models to adapt continuously to changing and previously unseen domains. This capability is particularly significant in fields like autonomous driving, healthcare, and robotics, where systems must operate effectively under evolving conditions without prior knowledge of these changes [Wang et al., 2024; Karani et al., 2021].

Test-Time Adaptation (TTA) methods such as TENT [Wang et al., 2021], MEMO [Zhang et al., 2022], and EATA [Niu et al., 2022] focus on adapting models to a single domain. In contrast, CTTA is designed to handle sequences of domains over time, making it suitable for applications like self-driving cars, where weather, lighting, and road conditions change unpredictably [Liu et al., 2020].

Recent works on CTTA face challenges in achieving practical, effective adaptation for real-world applications. Models must adapt efficiently to evolving, source-free data streams while retaining source domain knowledge. Robust generalization is crucial to prevent forgetting earlier domains, as test-time conditions may reoccur. Many methods rely on pseudolabeling in teacher-student frameworks, making the accuracy and reliability of pseudo-labels vital. Overcoming these challenges is essential for realizing the full potential of CTTA in real-world scenarios.

To address key CTTA challenges, some methods (e.g., RMT [Döbler et al., 2023] and DPLOT [Yu et al., 2024])

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utilize source prototypes or stored representations from the source domain to guide model adaptation at test time. These prototypes help retain domain-specific features, improving the model's performance with target domain shifts. However, in real-world applications, access to source data or prototypes is often restricted due to privacy concerns [Karani et al., 2021], storage limitations, or practical constraints related to data transmission and memory capacity [Wang et al., 2024; Niu et al., 2022], which limits the applicability of these methods in privacy-sensitive settings such as healthcare.

In fully source-free settings, some methods aim to prevent catastrophic forgetting of the source domain. For example, CoTTA [Wang et al., 2022] introduces stochastic restoration of the source model to mitigate error accumulation, which can otherwise result in the loss of learned knowledge from previously encountered domains. Other recent works, such as ROID [Marsden et al., 2024a], continuously ensemble parameters from both the source and target models to retain information from past domains. While effective in some continual settings, this approach does not explicitly handle real-world CTTA scenarios involving cyclic domain arrivals, where domains may repeat over time, such as in autonomous driving or UAV applications where weather patterns can recur. Additionally, most CTTA models are not evaluated under conditions where new data from previously seen domains may arrive out of sequence, which is a common scenario in real applications.

Finally, the performance of self-training-based teacher-student CTTA methods [Wang et al., 2022; Yuan et al., 2023; Yu et al., 2024] relies heavily on the quality of pseudo-labels produced by the teacher model. Although state-of-the-art self-training methods have shown promise they are susceptible to noisy pseudo-labels. High-entropy samples can produce noisy gradients, potentially disrupting model adaptation in continual settings. Moreover, when adapting to long sequences of domains, models can develop biases [Marsden et al., 2024a]. To address these issues, [Marsden et al., 2024a] employs diversity and certainty-based weighting. However, generating robust pseudo-labels remains an open challenge for teacher-student-based CTTA architectures.

To address the challenges, we propose SloMo-Fast, a dualteacher, one-student framework, that eliminates the need for source data while enhancing adaptability and generalization Figure 2. SloMo-Fast employs two teachers: the Fast-Teacher  $(T_1)$ , which adapts quickly to new domains, and the Slow-Teacher  $(T_2)$ , which adapts gradually to ensure robust generalization. Unlike existing methods, our framework updates models solely through batch normalization, significantly reducing computational complexity. A key novelty is using class-wise prototypes to capture entropy-based confident feature representations across domains, which are then used to refine the Slow-Teacher through contrastive learning. To maintain generalization during prolonged exposure to a single domain, the Slow-Teacher's weights are periodically restored from the source model. This dual-teacher design enables effective adaptation to current domains while preserving knowledge of previously encountered ones, ensuring reliable pseudo-labels and robust performance in dynamic, continually evolving real-world environments.

Our extensive experimental results demonstrate that SloMo-Fast consistently outperforms state-of-the-art methods across various CTTA benchmarks, including Continual, Mixed, Gradual, Episodic, Cyclic, Cross-Group, Easyto-Hard, Hard-to-Easy, Mixed After Continual, and Continual After Mixed. Across five datasets—CIFAR10-C, CIFAR100-C, ImageNet-C, ImageNet-R, and ImageNet-Sketch—SloMo-Fast achieves remarkable performance. For instance, in the Continual setting, it achieves error rates of 14.8% on CIFAR10-C and 27.9% on CIFAR100-C, outperforming ROID (16.1% and 29.3%, respectively). In the Gradual setting, it achieves 8.9% on CIFAR10-C and 23.3% on CIFAR100-C, surpassing ROID (10.4% and 24.3%). On ImageNet-C, it achieves an error rate of 54.2% in the Continual setting, demonstrating its robustness and adaptability across diverse benchmarks and datasets. Our results establish SloMo-Fast as a state-of-the-art CTTA framework that effectively adapts to a wide range of real-world settings and scenarios.

The key contributions of our work are as follows:

- We propose SloMo-Fast, a novel dual-teacher CTTA framework that eliminates the need for source data while enhancing adaptability and generalization. The Fast-Teacher  $(T_1)$  adapts quickly to new domains, while the Slow-Teacher  $(T_2)$  ensures robust generalization by adapting gradually.
- SloMo-Fast solely uses batch normalization to update parameters, thus significantly reducing computational complexity.
- We introduce a novel entropy-aware prototype prioritization approach to refine the Slow-Teacher for learning generalized representations across domains. The prototypes are generated dynamically at test time without requiring source data.
- We propose a novel TTA setting, Cyclic Domain Arrival, where domains can repeat over time, as a new benchmark for evaluating CTTA methods.

#### 2 Related Works

## 2.1 Test-time Adaptation (TTA)

TENT [Wang et al., 2021] introduced entropy minimization for test-time adaptation, enabling domain adaptation without source data. MEMO [Zhang et al., 2022] added test-time augmentations to improve generalization. AdaContrast [Chen et al., 2022] focused on contrastive learning to maintain consistency in the target domain, refining pseudo-labels. EATA [Niu et al., 2022] introduced entropy-based sample selection and used elastic weight consolidation (EWC) to avoid catastrophic forgetting. SAR [Niu et al., 2023] addressed stability in online updates during test-time adaptation.

#### 2.2 Continual Test-Time Adaptation (CTTA)

CoTTA [Wang et al., 2022] used a teacher-student framework for continual adaptation in non-stationary environments. EcoTTA [Song et al., 2023] leveraged meta-networks and self-distilled regularization for memory-efficient adaptation. RoTTA [Yuan et al., 2023] introduced a time-aware

reweighting strategy to handle sample uncertainty. DeYo [Lee et al., 2024b] proposed a new confidence metric for sample selection. DPLOT [Yu et al., 2024] focused on fine-tuning specific parts of the network during adaptation. CMF [Lee and Chang, 2024] and BECoTTA [Lee et al., 2024a] introduced methods to prevent catastrophic forgetting and capture domain-specific knowledge, respectively. VIDA [Liu et al., 2024] balanced adaptability and forgetting using high and low-rank adapters. PSMT [Tian and Lyu, 2024] selectively updates certain network parameters to prevent overfitting.

# 2.3 CTTA with Gradual/Mixed Settings

RMT [Döbler et al., 2023] addressed gradual domain shifts using contrastive learning. GTTA [Marsden et al., 2024b] created intermediate domains via mixup and style transfer for gradual and abrupt shifts. ROID [Marsden et al., 2024a] introduced a universal test-time adaptation approach that incorporates weight ensembling, diversity weighting, and adaptive prior correction to improve robustness and prevent forgetting.

## 3 Methodology

#### 3.1 Overview

We consider the task of adapting a pre-trained model to perform effectively in a continuously evolving target domain. The initial model, denoted as  $f_{\theta_0}$  with parameters  $\theta_0$ , is trained on a source dataset  $(X^s,Y^s)$ . Our objective is to enhance this model's performance during inference in a dynamic environment, where data distributions change over time, without access to the source data. At each time step t, the model receives new target data  $x_t$  and generates a prediction  $f_{\theta_t}(x_t)$ . Simultaneously, it adapts its parameters  $\theta_t \to \theta_{t+1}$  to improve performance on subsequent data points. The model is evaluated based on its real-time predictions under this shifting distribution.

Fig. 2 provides an overview of our method, which incorporates two teacher models and a student model. All models share the same architecture, comprising a feature extractor and a classifier, and are initialized with the same pre-trained weights  $\theta_0$ . They differ in their update strategies. The student model S, with weights  $\theta_S$ , is updated using symmetric cross-entropy and differential losses, leveraging pseudolabels from both teacher models. The fast-teacher model,  $T_1$ , updates its weights  $\theta_{T_1}$  using an exponential moving average (EMA) of the student's weights, smoothing the student's learning process. The slow-teacher model,  $T_2$ , initially updates its weights  $\theta_{T_2}$  by optimizing contrastive loss, mean squared error (MSE) loss, and information maximization loss to learn domain-invariant features. Subsequently, its parameters are updated via EMA of the student model at each time step. This dual-teacher framework offers complementary supervision, enhancing adaptation and stability across shifting distributions.

# 3.2 Self-training with Dual Teacher

For an incoming test sample  $x_t$  at time step t, the student model S aims to minimize the discrepancy between its own predictions and those generated by the teacher models  $T_1$  and

 $T_2$ . Rather than using the standard cross-entropy for discrepancy minimization, we use symmetric cross-entropy [Wang *et al.*, 2019b], which was originally proposed to address noisy labels and has been shown to exhibit better gradient properties compared to standard cross-entropy [Döbler *et al.*, 2023]. For two distributions p and q, the symmetric cross-entropy is defined as:

$$\mathcal{L}_{SCE}(p,q) = -\sum_{c=1}^{C} p(c) \log q(c) - \sum_{c=1}^{C} q(c) \log p(c) \quad (1)$$

where C is the number of classes, p(c) and q(c) represents the probability of class c under distribution p and q, respectively. The training objective for the student model S, leveraging predictions from teacher models  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , results in the following self-training loss:

$$\mathcal{L}_{ST}(x_t) = \mathcal{L}_{SCE}(f_{\theta_S}(x_t), f_{\theta_{T_1}}(x_t)) +$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{SCE}(f_{\theta_S}(x_t), f_{\theta_{T_2}}(x_t))$$
(2)

After updating the student model S using  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathcal{ST}}$ , the parameters of the teacher model  $T_1$  are updated through EMA as follows:

$$\theta_{T_1}^{t+1} = \alpha \theta_{T_1}^t + (1 - \alpha)\theta_S^{t+1}$$
 (3)

Here,  $\alpha$  is a smoothing factor.

# **3.3** Domain Generalized $(T_2)$ Model Training

Entropy-based Feature Selection: During adaptation, feature representations of incoming test samples from  $T_1$  are stored in a fixed-size priority queue for each class, using pseudo labels to assign class membership. The pseudo label for a test sample  $x_t$  is defined as:

$$\hat{y}_{T_1} = \arg\max_{c} y_{T_1}(c) \tag{4}$$

where  $y_{T_1}(c)$  is the prediction for the c-th class from  $T_1$ . Each class-specific priority queue stores features and their associated entropy values, prioritizing features with lower entropy to retain high-confidence representations. Prediction entropy is computed as:

$$\mathcal{H}(y_{T_1}) = -\sum_{c=1}^{C} y_{T_1}(c) \log(y_{T_1}(c))$$
 (5)

where C is the number of classes. Periodically, features with the lowest entropy are removed, enabling diverse, cross-domain representations in the queue. This ensures robust prototype construction. Further details are in the supplementary materials.

**Prototype Generation:** We generate class prototypes using confident feature representations stored in the priority queue. Prototypes are computed as a weighted average, where the weight is the inverse of entropy, normalized for consistency. This ensures more confident features contribute more to the prototype. For class c, the prototype  $P_c$  is calculated as:

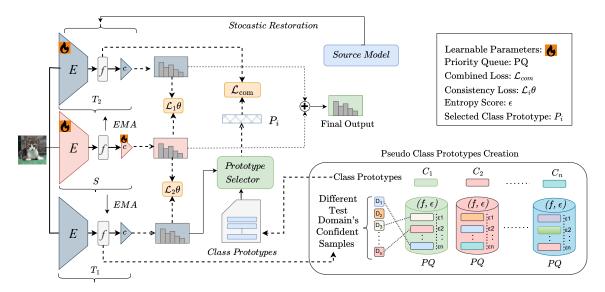


Figure 2: The SloMo-FAST framework comprises a dual-teacher and student model. The fast teacher  $T_1$  quickly adapts to the current domain by taking the exponential moving average of the student. Confident feature vectors from  $T_1$  are used to construct robust class prototypes via a priority queue, which refine the slow teacher  $T_2$  through contrastive learning. This enables  $T_2$  to learn domain-invariant representations while preserving knowledge from previous domains.

$$P_c = \frac{1}{w} \sum_{(z, \mathcal{H}(z)) \in Q_c} w_z z,\tag{6}$$

where z is a stored feature,  $\mathcal{H}(z)$  is its entropy,  $w_z = \frac{1}{\mathcal{H}(z)}$ , and  $w = \sum_{(z,\mathcal{H}(z)) \in Q_c} w_z$ .

Contrastive Learning with Class Prototype: Contrastive learning with class prototypes enables domain-generalized feature learning by aligning samples from the same class across domains to a shared prototype while separating samples from different classes. During test time, we update the priority queue with features from the teacher model  $T_1$  for the current batch  $X_t$  and recompute class prototypes using Equation (6). We select samples where  $T_1$  is confident but  $T_2$  is not, ensuring  $T_2$  focuses on learning from these samples. A binary variable  $n_i$  determines whether the i-th sample's features are included for training  $T_2$ :

$$n_i = \mathbb{1}[\mathcal{H}(y_{T_1}^{(i)}) \le \sigma].\mathbb{1}[\mathcal{H}(y_{T_2}^{(i)}) > \sigma]$$
 (7)

where  $\mathcal{H}(y_{T_1}^{(i)})$  and  $\mathcal{H}(y_{T_2}^{(i)})$  are the entropy values of predictions from  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . The selected features form the set:

$$S = \{s_i | n_i = 1\},\tag{8}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{CC} = -\sum_{i \in I} \sum_{v \in V(i)} \log \left( \frac{\exp\left(\sin(z_i, z_v)/\tau\right)}{\sum_{a \in A(i)} \exp\left(\sin(z_i, z_a)/\tau\right)} \right)$$
(9)

where  $\tau$  is the temperature, and  $sim(u,v) = \frac{u^T v}{\|u\| \|v\|}$  is the cosine similarity.

**Feature Alignment with MSE Loss:** To further encourage the  $T_2$  model to learn domain-generalized features, we apply an MSE loss that aligns sample features with class prototypes. This reduces domain-specific noise by emphasizing class-specific characteristics. The MSE loss for each test sample compares its feature representation  $z_i$  from  $T_2$  with the corresponding class prototype  $P_{\hat{y}_{T_1}^i}$ :

$$\mathcal{L}_{MSE} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^{N} \|z_i - P_{\hat{y}_{T_1}^i}\|^2$$
 (10)

where N is the number of test samples, and  $\hat{y}_{T_1}^i$  is the pseudolabel for sample  $x_t^i$  as defined in Equation (4).

**Information Maximization Loss:** To ensure  $T_2$  provides strong guidance to the student model S, it must maintain both discriminability and diversity in its predictions. Following state-of-the-art unsupervised domain adaptation methods [Liang *et al.*, 2020; Li *et al.*, 2022], we use an information maximization loss,  $\mathcal{L}_{\text{IM}}$ , comprising two components:

$$\mathcal{L}_{IM} = -\mathbb{E}_{x_t \in X_t} \sum_{c=1}^{C} y_{T_2}(c) \log(y_{T_2}(c)) - \sum_{c=1}^{C} \bar{q}(c) \log(\bar{q}(c)),$$
(11)

where the first term enhances individual prediction certainty, and the second term promotes variation across class distributions. The overall training objective for the teacher model  $T_2$  is defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{L}_{T2} = \lambda_{\rm cl} \mathcal{L}_{\rm CL} + \lambda_{\rm mse} \mathcal{L}_{\rm MSE} + \lambda_{\rm im} \mathcal{L}_{\rm IM}$$
 (12)

where  $\lambda_{cl}$ ,  $\lambda_{mse}$ , and  $\lambda_{im}$  represent the weighting factors for the contrastive loss, the MSE loss, and the information maximization loss, respectively.

To address error accumulation from distribution shifts, we use a stochastic restoration method [Wang *et al.*, 2022] that combines the pretrained source model's original weights with updated weights after each gradient step. This approach mitigates catastrophic forgetting by selectively restoring weights, preserving knowledge from the source model.

# Algorithm 1 Entropy-based Feature Selection (Optimized)

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1: Input: test samples X_t, teacher model T_1, entropy
    threshold \sigma, time interval p, max queue size K
    Output: Updated priority queues for each class
 3: Initialize priority queue Q_c for each class c with size K
 4: for each test sample x_t do
        Predict class c, entropy \mathcal{H}_t, and feature z_t from
    T_1(x_t)
        if t \mod p = 0 then Remove the element with
 6:
    \min \mathcal{H} from Q_c, for each c
 7:
         end if
         if \mathcal{H}_t \leq \sigma then
 8:
             if Q_c is full and \mathcal{H}_t < \max \mathcal{H} in Q_c then Replace
 9:
    the element with \max \mathcal{H} by (z_t, \mathcal{H}_t)
             else if Q_c is not full then Insert (z_t, \mathcal{H}_t) into Q_c
10:
11:
             end if
         end if
12:
13: end for
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#### 3.4 Prediction Ensembling

Inspired by [Döbler et al., 2023], we combine the outputs of both the student and  $T_2$  models. The student model adapts quickly to the current domain, while the  $T_2$  model provides generalized predictions across domains. This combination leverages their complementary strengths, improving prediction robustness and accuracy in dynamic environments. For a test sample  $x_t$ , the final prediction is:

$$y_t = f_{\theta_S}(x_t) + f_{\theta_{T_2}}(x_t)$$
 (13)

**Prior Correction:** In continual test-time adaptation, the learned posterior q(y|x) may deviate from the true posterior p(y|x) due to domain shifts, causing performance degradation [Marsden *et al.*, 2024a]. To address this in the dual-teacher setting, we adapt the prior correction strategy from [Royer and Lampert, 2015], re-scaling the learned posterior as:

$$p(y|x) = q(y|x)\frac{p(y)}{q(y)}. (14)$$

The true class prior p(y) is estimated as the sample mean of the current batch's softmax outputs,  $\hat{p}_t$ , assuming a near-uniform learned prior due to the information loss objective in

equation (11). To mitigate the impact of limited batch sizes, we apply adaptive smoothing [Marsden *et al.*, 2024a]:

$$\bar{p}_t = \frac{\hat{p}_t + \gamma}{1 + \gamma N_c},\tag{15}$$

where  $\gamma$  is the smoothing factor and  $N_c$  the number of classes.

#### 4 Result and Discussion

This section provides a detailed analysis of the experimental findings on multiple datasets under various continual test-time adaptation (CTTA) settings. We evaluate the performance of the proposed method across different scenarios, compare it with baseline approaches, and discuss its robustness and adaptability.

# 4.1 Implementation Details

We evaluate our approach on diverse domain shifts, including artificial corruptions and natural variations. Following [Marsden *et al.*, 2024a], we use the corruption benchmark on CIFAR10-C, CIFAR100-C, and ImageNet-C [Hendrycks and Dietterich, 2019], which apply 15 corruption types at five severity levels. Additionally, we assess our method on ImageNet-R [Hendrycks *et al.*, 2021] and ImageNet-Sketch [Wang *et al.*, 2019a]. We use priority queue size 10, and batch size 200 for CIFAR10-C and CIFAR100-C, and 64 for ImageNet-C, ImageNet-R, ImageNet-Sketch.

# 4.2 Result for Different TTA Setting

The proposed SloMo-Fast framework consistently delivers state-of-the-art performance across a wide range of Test-Time Adaptation (TTA) settings, demonstrating its robustness and adaptability to diverse distribution shifts. In the Continual Setting, where models face sequentially evolving shifts, SloMo-Fast\* (all parameters updated in student model) achieves the best results on CIFAR10-C (14.8±0.07%) and CIFAR100-C (27.9±0.12%), significantly outperforming the second-best method SloMo-Fast (only batch normalization layers updates in student model), which achieves  $16.1\pm0.09\%$  and 29.3%, respectively. On the more complex ImageNet-C, SloMo-Fast achieves an error rate of 54.2±0.10%, nearly matching ROID (54.5%) and outperforming CoTTA (76.0%) by a substantial margin. Similarly, on ImageNet-R and ImageNet-Sketch, SloMo-Fast achieves  $50.4\pm0.07\%$  and  $64.1\pm0.21\%$ , respectively, outperforming all other methods. In mixed domain settings, where data from different corruption came in a mixed manner, SloMo-Fast also achieves better in CIFAR10-C (28.0%) and CIFAR100-C (33.5%). These results highlight its robustness across datasets of varying complexity and resolution.

In the Gradual Setting, characterized by slow and predictable changes in data distribution, SloMo-Fast\* significantly reduces error rates. On CIFAR10-C, it achieves  $8.9\pm0.09\%$ , outperforming the next-best methods, SloMo-Fast (10.4 $\pm0.11\%$ ), Roid (10.5%), by a notable margin. Similarly, on CIFAR100-C, the method achieves  $23.3\pm0.33\%$ , again surpassing ROID (24.3%) and CoTTA (27.0%). On ImageNet-C, SloMo-Fast achieves an exceptional error rate of 38.8%, marginally better than ROID (39.1 $\pm0.06\%$ ) and significantly outperforming CoTTA (67.7%). This result

Setting	Dataset	Source	TENT-cont.	RoTTA	CoTTA	ROID	SloMo-Fast	SloMo-Fast*
	CIFAR10-C	43.5	20.0	19.3	16.5	16.2	16.1±0.09	14.8±0.07
	CIFAR100-C	46.4	62.2	34.8	32.8	29.3	$29.9 \pm 0.11$	$27.9 \pm 0.12$
Continual	ImageNet-C	82.0	82.5	78.1	76.0	54.5	$54.2 \pm 0.10$	$52.8 \pm 0.23$
	ImageNet-R	63.8	57.6	60.7	57.4	51.2	$53.5 \pm 0.05$	$50.4 {\pm} 0.07$
	ImageNet-Sketch	75.9	69.5	70.8	69.5	64.3	$66.2 \pm 0.13$	$64.1 \pm 0.21$
	CIFAR10-C	43.5	44.1	32.5	33.4	28.4	$29.7 \pm 0.09$	28.0±0.06
Mixed	CIFAR100-C	46.4	82.5	43.1	45.4	35.0	$38.2 \pm 0.15$	$33.5 {\pm} 0.02$
	ImageNet-C	82.0	86.4	78.1	79.4	69.5	$72.5 \pm 0.11$	$70.8 \pm 0.27$
	CIFAR10-C	43.5	26.2	11.8	10.8	10.5	$10.4 {\pm} 0.11$	8.9±0.09
Gradual	CIFAR100-C	46.4	75.9	33.4	27.0	24.3	$24.7 \pm 0.25$	$23.3 \pm 0.33$
	ImageNet-C	82.0	91.6	96.4	67.7	38.8	$39.1 \pm 0.06$	$37.9 \pm 0.17$
	CIFAR10-C	43.5	18.2	21.6	18.3	17.5	17.8±0.08	16.7±0.15
Episodic	CIFAR100-C	46.4	31.1	41.9	34.5	30.4	$31.4 \pm 0.31$	$30.1 {\pm} 0.13$
•	ImageNet-C	82.0	57.3	6.70	61.5	51.6	$54.1 \pm 0.25$	$52.7 \pm 0.14$
	CIFAR10-C	43.5	17.0	19.4	16.7	15.6	$15.2 {\pm} 0.07$	$14.6 \pm 0.08$
Cyclic	CIFAR100-C	46.4	34.7	37.8	33.7	28.9	$30.0 \pm 0.27$	$27.5 {\pm} 0.15$
•	ImageNet-C	82.0	59.7	66.1	63.7	53.1	$52.7 \pm 0.11$	$51.9 \pm 0.23$
Cross Crown	CIFAR10-C	43.5	15.8	18.8	19.7	16.4	16.5±0.18	14.7±0.09
Cross Group	CIFAR100-C	46.4	61.5	32.5	34.9	29.5	$30.1 \pm 0.14$	$27.9 \pm 0.11$
(Continual)	ImageNet-C	82.0	62.2	68.6	59.2	55.7	$54.3 \pm 0.22$	$52.3 \pm 0.18$
Easy2Hard	CIFAR10-C	43.5	19.6	17.8	15.7	15.9	$15.8 \pm 0.18$	13.9±0.13
	CIFAR100-C	46.4	52.8	33.0	32.2	29.3	$30.1 \pm 0.12$	$28.2 {\pm} 0.14$
(Continual)	ImageNet-C	82.0	60.0	65.1	52.5	54.3	$52.8 \pm 0.31$	$48.6 \pm 0.13$
Hard2Easy	CIFAR10-C	43.5	21.6	19.4	17.1	16.3	16.6±0.20	15.3±0.04
(Continual)	CIFAR100-C	46.4	66.7	35.7	33.0	29.5	$30.2 \pm 0.11$	$28.2 {\pm} 0.06$
(Continual)	ImageNet-C	82.0	62.8	68.4	63.2	55.1	$54.3 \pm 0.22$	$52.8 \pm 0.17$
Mixed After Continual	CIFAR10-C	43.5	21.3	19.9	16.8	16.9	$16.7 {\pm} 0.12$	<b>16.2</b> ±0.15
· ·	CIFAR100-C	46.4	63.7	35.1	33.2	29.6	$30.6 \pm 0.17$	<b>28.1</b> ±0.10
(Overlapping)	ImageNet-C	82.0	91.8	75.4	70.9	52.5	$55.4 \pm 0.19$	$53.6 \pm 0.11$
Continual After Mixed	CIFAR10-C	43.5	46.0	18.9	17.8	16.7	$16.6 {\pm} 0.06$	14.6±0.07
=	CIFAR100-C	46.4	97.1	34.5	33.3	29.4	$30.0 \pm 0.18$	$26.6 {\pm} 0.17$
(Overlapping)	ImageNet-C	82.0	85.6	64.2	55.3	55.1	$57.5 \pm 0.20$	$54.7 \pm 0.20$
Mean Error Rates	All	-	54.5	42.4	40.6	35.0	35.6±0.13	33.8±0.21

Table 1: Average online classification error rate (%) over 5 runs for different TTA settings across multiple datasets. The table includes results for various TTA methods: TENT-cont., RoTTA, CoTTA, ROID, SloMo-Fast, and SloMo-Fast\* (where all parameters of the student model are updated), evaluated in different settings. Results are shown for CIFAR10-C, CIFAR100-C, ImageNet-C, ImageNet-R, and ImageNet-Sketch datasets. Results in bold represent the best performance, while those in gray are the second best.

highlights the method's ability to leverage gradual trends in data shifts for more efficient adaptation.

The Episodic Setting, where data changes abruptly but remains constant within each episode, further demonstrates the versatility of SloMo-Fast. It achieves the lowest error rates on CIFAR10-C  $(16.7\pm0.15\%)$  and CIFAR100-C  $(30.1\pm0.13\%)$ , with substantial improvements over CoTTA (18.3% and 34.5%) and ROID (17.5% and 30.4%). On ImageNet-C, the method achieves an error rate of 51.6%, improving over CoTTA (61.5%) and RoTTA (60.7%). Similarly, in the Cyclic Setting, which involves repeated shifts between distributions, SloMo-Fast achieves  $14.6\pm0.08\%$  on CIFAR10-C,  $27.5\pm0.15\%$  on CIFAR100-C, and  $52.7\pm0.11\%$  on ImageNet-C, consistently outperforming other methods.

In more specialized settings like cross-group continual and hard-to-easy continual, SloMo-Fast consistently achieves top-tier performance. For example, in the cross-group continual setting, it achieves 14.7±0.09% on CIFAR10-C,  $27.9\pm0.11\%$  on CIFAR100-C, and  $54.3\pm0.22\%$  on ImageNet-C, outperforming ROID, RoTTA and CoTTA. Similarly, in the hard-to-easy continual scenario, the method achieves 15.3±0.04% on CIFAR10-C, 28.2±0.06% on CIFAR100-C, and  $54.3\pm0.22\%$  on ImageNet-C, consistently outperforming other methods like CoTTA and ROID. These results underscore the efficacy of SloMo-Fast in both gradual and abrupt domain shifts, demonstrating its ability to generalize across multiple TTA scenarios. Its robust performance on challenging datasets like ImageNet-C, which involve higher resolution and greater complexity, further establishes its scalability and practicality for real-world applications. Additionally, the narrow confidence intervals across experiments highlight its stability and reproducibility. By achieving the best or

			Mear	n Erro	r Rate (%)	
MSE	IM	CL	PC	ST	CIFAR10-C	CIFAR100-C
$\overline{\hspace{1em}}$	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	14.88	28.00
	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	15.89	28.23
$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	16.17	28.35
$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	16.04	28.57
$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	15.78	28.08
$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$		16.11	28.48

Table 2: Ablation study of classification error rates (%) for CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C and CIFAR100-to-CIFAR10OC online continual test-time adaptation tasks. The results are evaluated on WideResNet-28 and ResNeXt-29 models, respectively, under corruption severity level 5. The table examines the impact of individual loss components (Mean Squared Error (MSE), Information Maximization (IM), and Contrastive Loss (CL)) and optimization strategies (Prior Correction (PC) and Stochastic Restoration (ST)) on model performance.

Queue Size Dataset	5	20	25	50	100
CIFAR10-C	14.97	14.92	14.88	14.93	14.98
CIFAR100-C	28.19	28.24	28.16	28.21	28.11

Table 3: Ablation study of classification error rates (%) for CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C and CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C online continual test-time adaptation tasks. This table examines the impact of different queue sizes on classification error rates.

second-best performance across almost all settings, SloMo-Fast demonstrates a significant advancement over prior methods like ROID and CoTTA, making it a highly reliable framework for tackling non-stationary data distributions.

### 4.3 Ablation Study on Loss Components

Table 2 evaluates the impact of various loss components, including Mean Squared Error (MSE), Information Maximization (IM), and Contrastive Loss (CL), along with optimization strategies such as Prior Correction (PC) and Stochastic Restoration (ST), on model performance for the CIFAR10-C and CIFAR100-C datasets. For CIFAR10, combining all components yields a mean error rate of 15.78%, while for CIFAR100, it achieves 28.48%, highlighting the importance of leveraging a diverse set of losses and strategies for effective adaptation.

# 4.4 Ablation Study on Priority Queue Size

Table 3 presents the impact of queue size on classification error rates for the CIFAR10-C and CIFAR100-C datasets. For CIFAR-10C, the error rates remain fairly consistent across different queue sizes, with the lowest error rate of 14.88% occurring at a queue size of 25. Increasing the queue size to 50 or 100 does not lead to significant improvements, suggesting diminishing returns. Similarly, for CIFAR100-C, the error rates are stable across queue sizes, with the lowest error rate of 28.11% achieved at the largest queue size of 100. These

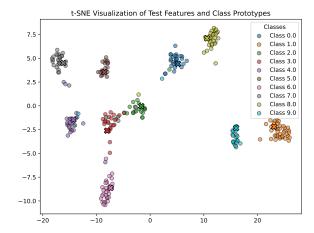


Figure 3: t-SNE visualization of feature representations ( $\circ$ ) and class prototypes ( $\times$ ). The visualization highlights distinct class separation, showcasing the model's ability to effectively learn discriminative feature representations.

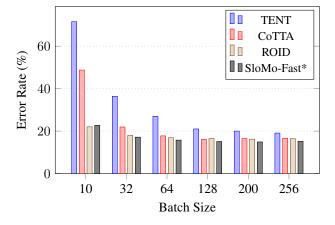


Figure 4: Impact of batch size on error rates (%) in the CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C online continual test-time adaptation setup across methods (TENT, CoTTA, ROID, and SloMo-Fast\*). The chart highlights that increasing batch size improves classification performance, with SloMo-Fast\* outperforming all other methods at each batch size.

results indicate that the model's performance is not highly sensitive to changes in queue size for either dataset.

#### 4.5 Qualitative Results: t-SNE Visualization

Finally, to visualize the effectiveness of our method, we provide t-SNE plots of the feature space at final stage of adaptation in Figure 3. The t-SNE visualization for **SloMo-Fast** shows that the learned representations are well-clustered and exhibit clear separation between the different classes, even under severe corruption conditions.

# 5 Conclusion

We presented SloMo-Fast, a dual-teacher framework for Continual Test-Time Adaptation (CTTA) that operates without source data while improving adaptability, generalization, and efficiency. By combining the Fast-Teacher  $(T_1)$  for rapid

adaptation and the Slow-Teacher  $(T_2)$  for robust generalization, SloMo-Fast leverages class prototypes, contrastive learning, and efficient batch normalization updates. Experiments on CIFAR-10C, CIFAR-100C, and ImageNet-C show SloMo-Fast surpasses existing CTTA methods across diverse scenarios. Its effectiveness in real-world settings, including repetitive and mixed-domain shifts, sets new benchmarks for robustness and generalization, advancing CTTA for privacy-sensitive and resource-limited environments.

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# \*\*\*\*\*\*\*Supplementary Materials\*\*\*\*\*\*

#### 5.1 Architecture Evolution

CoTTA [Wang et al., 2022] employs a teacher-student framework where the student model is updated based on the pseudo-labels generated by the teacher model. The teacher model, in turn, is updated using the Exponential Moving Average (EMA) of the student parameters. While CoTTA demonstrates effective adaptation, it suffers from catastrophic forgetting and lacks the ability to retain long-term domain knowledge.

To address this limitation, RMT [Döbler et al., 2023] introduces source prototypes and utilizes contrastive loss between the source class prototypes and test-time inputs. However, relying on source prototypes is often impractical in real-world scenarios due to their rarity and unavailability in many applications.

In contrast, our SloMo-Fast framework introduces a second teacher model that is more domain-generalized. Instead of using source prototypes, SloMo-Fast constructs class prototypes from confident test samples. This approach eliminates the dependence on source data while enabling long-term retention of domain knowledge, ensuring robust adaptation and generalization across dynamic and evolving domains.

# **6** Supplementary Experimental Results

#### **6.1 Datasets:**

**CIFAR10-C:** Consists of 10 classes, with 1,000 samples per class for each domain, amounting to 10,000 images per domain.

**CIFAR100-C:** Comprises 100 categories, with 100 samples per category or class for each domain, yielding a total of 10,000 images per domain.

**ImageNet-C:** Contains 1,000 categories or classes, with 50 samples per category for each domain, resulting in 50,000 images per domain.

**ImageNet-R:** Features 200 classes from ImageNet, with 30,000 images focusing on a variety of renditions, such as art, cartoons, and sketches.

**ImageNet-Sketch:** Contains 1,000 classes with 50,889 images in total, created as sketch drawings corresponding to the ImageNet categories.

#### **6.2** Benchmarks for Test-Time Adaptation

All evaluations are conducted in an *online test-time adapta*tion (TTA) setting, where predictions are updated and evaluated immediately. We evaluate our model on benchmarks for analyzing CTTA:

**Continual Domains:** Following [Marsden *et al.*, 2024a], the model adapts sequentially across K domains  $[D_1, D_2, \ldots, D_K]$  without prior knowledge of domain boundaries. For the corruption datasets, the sequence includes all 15 corruption types encountered at severity level 5.

**Mixed Domains:** As in [Marsden *et al.*, 2024a], test data from multiple domains are encountered together in a mixed manner during adaptation, with consecutive samples often coming from different domains.

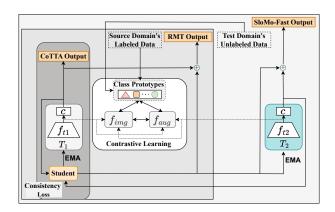


Figure 5: Compared to CoTTA, RMT, and SloMo-Fast.

**Gradual Domains:** Although some domain shifts happen abruptly, many progress gradually over time(severity of domain shifts changes incrementally), making this setting a practical scenario for test-time adaptation.

**Episodic Setting:** This setting considers a single domain shift, where upon encountering a new domain, the adaptation model resets to the source model and starts adaptation from the beginning.

**Cyclic Domains:** A new benchmark where the domain sequence is repeated in cycles based on corruption subgroups (e.g., Noise, Blur, Weather, Digital, and Distortion). Subgroups include corruptions such as noise (gaussian, shot, impulse), blur (defocus, motion, glass), weather (snow, fog, frost), digital (brightness, contrast), and distortion (elastic transform, pixelate, jpeg compression).

**Continual-Cross Group:** Domains are encountered sequentially in a continual setup, where each domain is sampled one after another from different corruption groups (e.g., Noise, Blur, Weather, Digital, Distortion) like inter group mixing.

**Continual-Hard2Easy:** Domains are encountered sequentially, where corruptions are sorted from high error to low error based on the initial source model's performance at severity level 5.

**Continual-Easy2Hard:** Domains are encountered sequentially, where corruptions are sorted from low error to high error based on the initial source model's performance at severity level 5.

**Mixed after Continual TTA:** Domains are first encountered sequentially, as in the continual setting, followed by data from previously seen domains being encountered in a mixed manner.

**Continual after Mixed TTA:** Domains are first encountered in a mixed manner, where test data from multiple domains come together randomly. After this mixed phase, the domains are encountered sequentially, as in the continual setting.

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Method	Gaussian	shot	$impuls_e$	defocus	glass	motion	1400 <sub>2</sub>	Mous	$t_{rost}$	log	$^{bright}$	contrast	elastic	pixelate	$jp_{\mathrm{e}g}$	Mean
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Source	72.3	65.7	72.9	46.9	54.3	34.8	42.0	25.1	41.3	26.0	9.3	46.7	26.6	58.4	30.3	43.5
TENT-cont.	25.0	20.3	29.0	13.8	31.7	16.2	14.1	18.6	17.6	17.4	10.8	15.6	24.3	19.7	25.1	20.0
RoTTA	30.3	55.5	70.0	23.8	44.1	20.7	21.0	22.7	16.0	9.4	27.7	27.0	58.6	29.2	33.4	19.3
CoTTA	24.2	21.9	26.5	12.0	27.9	12.7	10.7	15.2	14.6	12.8	7.9	11.2	18.5	14.0	18.1	16.5
ROID	23.7	18.7	26.4	11.5	28.1	12.4	10.1	14.7	14.3	12.0	7.5	9.3	19.8	14.5	20.3	16.2
SloMo-Fast	22.6	19.0	24.9	13.0	25.0	14.0	12.3	15.0	14.7	13.5	10.1	12.5	17.4	13.3	16.3	16.2
SloMo-Fast*	22.4	18.5	24.7	11.9	24.6	12.2	10.1	12.7	12.9	11.4	7.5	9.9	16.2	11.7	15.9	14.8
							CIFAR	100-C								
Source	73.0	68.0	39.4	29.3	54.1	30.8	28.8	39.4	35.4	30.5	9.3	55.1	37.2	74.7	41.2	46.4
TENT-cont.	37.3	35.6	41.6	37.9	51.3	48.1	48.9	59.8	65.3	73.6	74.2	85.7	89.1	91.1	93.7	62.2
RoTTA	49.1	44.9	45.5	30.2	42.7	29.5	26.1	32.2	30.7	37.5	24.7	29.1	32.6	30.4	36.7	34.8
CoTTA	40.5	38.2	39.8	27.2	38.2	28.4	26.4	33.4	32.2	40.6	25.2	27.0	32.4	28.4	33.8	32.8
ROID	36.5	31.9	33.2	24.9	34.9	26.8	24.3	28.9	28.5	31.1	22.8	24.2	30.7	26.5	34.4	29.3
SloMo-Fast	37.1	33.1	34.5	24.9	35.4	27.0	24.1	29.3	28.9	33.0	22.9	25.0	30.8	27.2	34.7	29.9
SloMo-Fast*	37.8	32.7	33.3	26.2	31.2	26.9	24.3	26.8	26.5	28.4	23.3	24.3	26.1	24.2	27.0	27.9
							Image	Net-C								
Source	97.8	97.1	98.2	81.7	89.8	85.2	77.9	83.5	77.1	75.9	41.3	94.5	82.5	79.3	68.6	82.0
TENT-cont.	92.8	91.1	92.5	87.8	90.2	87.2	82.2	82.2	82.0	79.8	48.0	92.5	83.5	75.6	70.4	82.5
RoTTA	89.4	88.6	89.3	83.4	89.1	86.2	80.0	78.9	76.9	74.2	37.4	89.6	79.5	69.0	59.6	78.1
CoTTA	89.1	86.6	88.5	80.9	87.2	81.1	75.8	73.3	75.2	70.5	41.6	85.0	78.1	65.6	61.6	76.0
ROID	76.4	75.3	76.1	77.9	81.7	75.1	69.9	70.9	68.8	64.3	42.5	85.4	69.8	53.0	55.6	54.5
SloMo-Fast	68.6	65.2	64.5	68.2	66.7	57.0	49.7	51.0	56.4	43.1	33.8	57.3	43.9	41.4	45.7	54.2
SloMo-Fast*	68.5	62.6	60.3	65.6	63.4	55.7	50.4	50.4	54.5	43.7	36.3	53.5	43.0	40.7	43.0	52.8

Table 4: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks at the highest severity level 5 for the Continual TTA setting. For CIFAR10-C the results are evaluated on WideResNet-28, for CIFAR100-C on ResNeXt-29, and for ImageNet-C, ResNet-50 are used. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

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CoTTA	38.7	36.0	56.1	36.0	36.8	32.3	31.0	19.9	17.6	27.2	11.7	52.6	30.5	35.8	25.7	32.5
RoTTA	60.0	55.5	70.0	23.8	44.1	20.7	21.3	20.2	22.7	16.0	9.4	22.7	27.0	58.6	29.2	33.4
ROID	37.1	34.3	50.9	24.8	38.1	22.5	22.0	18.8	18.5	18.8	9.9	25.6	27.2	45.7	26.2	28.0
SloMo-Fast	39.1	36.8	53.8	27.5	38.6	24.7	23.5	18.0	18.1	19.2	9.2	33.3	28.9	51.9	24.9	29.7
SloMo-Fast*	33.4	32.1	53.9	26.4	35.0	22.7	23.4	17.9	17.8	19.8	11.4	30.1	25.9	46.4	23.4	28.0
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Source	73.0	68.0	39.4	29.3	54.1	30.8	28.8	39.5	45.8	50.3	29.5	55.1	37.2	74.7	41.2	46.4
TENT-cont.	95.6	95.2	89.2	72.8	82.9	74.4	72.3	78.0	79.7	84.7	71.0	88.5	77.8	96.8	78.7	82.5
CoTTA	54.4	52.7	49.8	36.0	45.8	36.7	33.9	38.9	35.8	52.0	30.4	60.9	40.2	38.0	41.1	43.1
RoTTA	65.0	62.3	39.3	33.4	50.0	34.2	32.6	36.6	36.5	45.0	26.4	41.6	40.6	89.5	48.5	45.4
ROID	40.5	38.0	32.0	28.1	40.5	29.7	27.6	34.1	33.8	41.3	28.7	38.7	34.3	39.7	38.5	35.0
SloMo-Fast	50.6	46.4	34.0	20.8	42.2	31.3	28.6	34.9	34.6	44.6	27.8	41.9	35.3	52.5	39.1	38.2
SloMo-Fast*	41.6	39.2	29.8	28.1	36.7	29.6	27.4	31.3	31.5	37.9	27.1	34.0	32.2	42.3	34.4	33.5
							Image	net-C								
Source	97.8	97.1	98.2	81.7	89.8	85.2	77.9	83.5	77.1	75.9	41.3	94.5	82.5	79.3	68.6	82.0
TENT-cont.	99.2	98.7	99.0	90.5	95.1	90.5	84.6	86.6	84.0	86.5	46.7	98.1	86.1	77.7	72.9	86.4
CoTTA	89.1	86.6	88.5	80.9	87.2	81.1	75.8	73.3	75.2	70.5	41.6	85.0	78.1	65.6	61.6	76.0
RoTTA	89.4	88.6	89.3	83.4	89.1	86.2	80.0	78.9	76.9	74.2	37.4	89.6	79.5	69.0	59.6	78.1
ROID	76.4	75.3	76.1	77.9	81.7	75.1	69.9	70.9	68.8	64.3	42.5	85.4	69.8	53.0	55.6	69.5
SloMo-Fast	83.0	81.2	82.8	77.9	83.3	76.6	72.6	68.6	71.3	66.7	44.7	83.7	73.6	61.9	59.1	72.5

Table 5: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks at the highest severity level 5 for the generalization experiments with mixed domains. For CIFAR10-C the results are evaluated on WideResNet-28, for CIFAR100-C on ResNeXt-29, and for ImageNet-C, ResNet-50 are used. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

#### 6.3 Detailed result

# 6.4 Ablation Study on Losses Applied to T2

The results of the ablation study are summarized in Tables 13 and 14, which evaluate the effect of different loss functions applied to the  $T_2$  model on the CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C and CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C online continual test-time adaptation tasks, respectively, evaluations use the WideResNet-28 and ResNeXt-29 model under the highest corruption severity level (level 5). The classification error rates (%) are reported for 15 corruption types, along with the mean error rate as a summary.

In the CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C task (Table 13), the  $T_2$  model trained with all three losses—mean squared error (MSE), information maximization (IM), and contrastive loss (CL)—achieves the lowest mean error rate of 14.88%. This indicates the strong performance of the full configuration under severe corruption scenarios. Removing the contrastive loss ( $\checkmark$  MSE,  $\checkmark$  IM) slightly increases the mean error rate to 16.04%, suggesting that CL contributes significantly to robustness. Excluding the information maximization loss ( $\checkmark$  MSE,  $\checkmark$  CL) results in a mean error rate of 16.17%, highlighting the importance of IM in the adaptation process. When MSE is excluded ( $\checkmark$  IM,  $\checkmark$  CL), the mean error rate is slightly better at 15.89%, reflecting a strong interaction between IM and CL, even in the absence of MSE.

For the CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C task (Table 14), similar trends are observed. The  $T_2$  model trained with all three losses achieves the lowest mean error rate of 28.00%. Removing CL ( $\checkmark$  MSE,  $\checkmark$  IM) increases the mean error rate to 28.57%, demonstrating the importance of CL in enhancing robustness. Excluding IM ( $\checkmark$  MSE,  $\checkmark$  CL) leads to a mean error rate of 28.35%, showing the critical role of IM in the adaptation process. Finally, removing MSE ( $\checkmark$  IM,  $\checkmark$  CL) results in a mean error rate of 28.23%, again underscoring the synergy between IM and CL.

The results from both CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C and CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C tasks consistently highlight the benefits of integrating all three losses in the  $T_2$  model. This combination achieves the lowest error rates across diverse corruption types, validating the effectiveness of the proposed design for continual test-time adaptation.

# 6.5 Ablation Study on Prior Correction and Stochastic Restoration

The results of the ablation study are presented in Tables 15 and 16, which evaluate the effect of Prior Correction (PC) applied to the model output and Stochastic Restoration (ST) of the  $T_2$  model on the CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C and CIFAR100-to-CIFAR10OC online continual test-time adaptation tasks, respectively. The evaluations are conducted using

Method	Gaussian	shot	$impuls_e$	defocus	glass	motion	700m	Mous	tsay	og g	bright	contrast	$e^{lastic}$	Pixelate	jpeg	$Mi_{xed}$	Mean
							CIFAR	10-C									
Source	72.3	65.7	72.9	46.9	54.3	34.8	42.0	25.1	41.3	26.0	9.3	46.7	26.6	58.4	30.3	43.5	43.5
Tent-cont.	24.6	19.8	28.4	13.1	31.2	16.8	14.0	18.9	18.3	16.9	11.4	17.2	25.5	19.7	25.2	39.3	21.3
CoTTA	24.0	21.8	25.7	11.7	27.5	21.6	10.2	15.0	13.9	12.5	7.5	10.8	18.1	13.5	17.8	26.7	16.8
RoTTA	30.2	25.4	34.6	18.1	33.9	14.6	10.8	16.4	14.8	14.2	7.9	12.1	20.5	16.8	19.4	29.5	19.9
Roid	23.6	18.7	26.5	11.6	28.2	12.5	9.9	14.4	13.9	11.7	7.3	9.3	19.7	14.4	20.5	27.3	16.9
SloMo-Fast	23.8	18.8	26.3	12.2	26.5	13.1	10.6	14.3	13.5	12.9	8.1	11.4	18.6	13.2	17.3	26.4	16.7
SloMo-Fast*	22.7	18.5	24.6	12.5	24.7	13.7	12.1	14.4	14.5	12.8	9.6	12.0	16.9	12.6	16.1	21.3	16.2
						(	CIFAR	100-C									
Source	73.0	68.0	39.4	29.3	54.1	30.8	28.8	39.4	35.4	30.5	9.3	55.1	37.2	74.7	41.2	46.4	46.4
Tent-cont.	37.3	35.7	42.1	38.2	51.0	45.9	46.3	55.8	62.1	72.8	72.3	83.9	90.6	92.8	95.3	97.8	63.7
CoTTA	40.8	38.0	39.8	27.2	38.0	28.5	26.4	33.4	32.2	40.2	25.1	26.9	32.1	28.4	33.8	40.9	33.2
RoTTA	49.4	44.7	45.5	30.2	42.3	29.6	25.9	32.0	30.5	37.7	24.7	29.4	32.8	29.9	36.6	40.8	35.1
Roid	36.4	31.9	33.6	24.8	34.8	27.0	24.1	29.1	28.5	31.3	22.8	24.2	30.5	26.4	33.9	34.7	29.6
SloMo-Fast	37.0	32.8	35.0	26.2	35.2	28.0	25.1	29.6	29.0	33.2	23.8	25.2	31.1	27.1	34.8	36.3	30.6
SloMo-Fast*	37.8	32.9	33.1	26.6	31.6	27.1	24.8	26.5	26.2	28.4	23.6	24.3	26.5	24.5	27.1	28.0	28.1
							Ima	agenet-	C								
Source	97.8	97.1	98.2	81.7	89.8	85.2	77.9	83.5	77.1	75.9	41.3	94.5	82.5	79.3	68.6	82.0	82.0
TENT-cont.	71.4	66.4	69.1	82.8	91.0	95.7	97.6	99.0	99.3	99.3	99.2	99.5	99.4	99.3	99.4	99.6	91.8
CoTTA	78.2	68.3	64.2	75.4	71.9	70.1	67.8	72.3	71.6	67.7	62.7	74.4	70.2	67.5	69.2	82.4	70.9
RoTTA	79.6	72.0	69.6	77.1	72.1	73.1	68.6	72.1	73.6	77.1	65.7	90.9	69.4	75.7	75.4	93.8	75.4
Roid	63.6	60.3	61.1	65.1	65.0	52.5	47.4	48.0	54.1	39.9	32.6	53.5	42.1	39.4	44.5	70.5	52.5
SloMo-Fast	68.8	65.3	64.7	68.5	66.6	57.1	49.8	50.8	56.4	43.1	33.8	57.2	43.8	41.4	45.9	72.9	55.4

Table 6: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks at the highest severity level 5 for the mixed after continual domains TTA setting. For CIFAR10-C the results are evaluated on WideResNet-28, for CIFAR100-C on ResNeXt-29, and for ImageNet-C, ResNet-50 are used. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

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Method	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	Defocus	Glass	Motion	Zoom	$S_{now}$	Frost	$F_{0g}$	Bright.	Contrast	$E_{lastic}$	Pixelate	$JPE_G$	Mean
							CIFA	R10-C								
Source	72.3	65.7	72.9	46.9	54.3	34.8	42.0	25.1	41.3	26.0	9.3	46.7	26.6	58.4	30.3	43.5
TENT-cont.	24.7	22.2	32.4	11.6	32.1	12.9	10.9	16.0	16.1	13.0	7.6	11.1	21.97	17.2	23.6	18.2
RoTTA	30.2	27.4	37.8	13.7	35.9	14.7	12.7	17.8	19.0	15.5	8.0	19.3	23.65	21.0	27.6	21.6
CoTTA	24.0	22.9	27.7	12.2	30.2	13.4	11.7	16.8	17.0	14.4	7.9	12.5	22.50	18.7	22.6	18.3
ROID	23.6	21.7	30.6	11.0	30.4	12.9	10.5	15.2	15.2	12.7	7.6	10.4	21.06	16.2	23.6	17.5
SloMo-Fast	22.7	19.6	26.1	12.8	26.7	13.7	11.5	14.9	15.1	12.8	8.8	12.0	19.92	14.6	19.6	16.7
SloMo-Fast*	24.5	20.3	28.1	11.5	28.7	12.4	10.2	14.5	14.4	12.7	7.6	10.4	19.69	14.8	20.6	16.7
							CIFAI	R100-C								
Source	73.0	68.0	39.4	29.3	54.1	30.8	28.8	39.4	35.4	30.5	9.3	55.1	37.2	74.7	41.2	46.4
TENT-cont.	37.2	34.8	34.4	24.9	37.3	27.5	25.1	30.3	31.9	33.6	23.9	28.1	32.8	28.3	36.8	31.1
RoTTA	49.4	47.5	48.6	29.9	47.2	32.2	30.3	39.0	44.1	44.1	28.9	62.2	40.5	38.9	45.6	41.9
CoTTA	40.8	38.3	40.3	27.8	39.7	29.7	27.7	35.4	34.4	42.8	26.0	30.1	35.5	31.5	37.7	34.5
ROID	36.4	34.1	34.1	24.5	36.3	26.9	24.9	30.1	30.4	33.4	23.4	26.2	32.1	27.9	35.7	30.4
SloMo-Fast	37.9	34.2	34.5	27.2	36.3	29.2	26.3	30.8	30.6	32.3	25.1	27.3	33.5	29.2	36.0	31.4
SloMo-Fast*	37.3	33.7	34.8	25.0	35.7	27.1	24.3	29.5	29.1	33.0	23.1	25.5	31.4	27.1	34.9	30.1
							Imag	enet-C								
Source	97.8	97.1	98.2	81.7	89.8	85.2	77.9	83.5	77.1	75.9	41.3	94.5	82.5	79.3	68.6	82.0
TENT-cont.	71.4	69.4	70.2	71.9	72.7	58.7	50.7	52.9	58.7	42.6	32.7	73.4	45.5	41.4	47.5	57.3
RoTTA	79.8	79.6	80.4	80.7	81.3	68.3	56.9	58.9	63.1	46.7	32.4	76.2	50.9	45.8	54.1	63.7
CoTTA	78.1	77.8	77.3	80.5	78.2	64.0	52.7	58.0	60.5	43.9	32.9	75.1	48.8	42.3	52.4	61.5
ROID	63.7	61.4	62.4	65.9	65.9	52.9	47.6	48.0	54.1	39.9	32.6	53.9	42.2	39.4	44.6	51.6
SloMo-Fast	68.8	65.8	64.5	68.5	66.7	56.6	49.6	50.7	56.5	42.6	33.5	57.4	43.6	41.0	45.8	54.1
SloMo-Fast*	68.2	62.4	60.4	65.4	63.2	55.7	50.7	50.4	54.4	43.6	36.3	53.5	43.1	40.6	42.9	52.7

Table 7: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks at the highest severity level (Level 5) in the episodic TTA setting. Adaptation resets to the source model parameters for each domain shift. The results are evaluated on WideResNet-28 for CIFAR10-C, ResNeXt-29 for CIFAR100-C, and ResNet-50 for ImageNet-C. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

Method	Mixed	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	Defocus	Glass	Motion	Zoom	Snow	Frost	Fog	Bright	Contrast	$E_{lastic}$	Pixelate	$JPE_G$	Mean
							CIFAR	10-C									
Source	43.5	72.3	65.7	72.9	46.9	54.3	34.8	42.0	25.1	41.3	26.0	9.3	46.7	26.6	58.4	30.3	43.5
TENT-cont.	41.1	43.5	43.3	51.6	34.8	54.0	42.7	40.1	47.7	48.2	44.2	40.0	48.2	52.4	48.9	55.2	46.0
CoTTA	32.4	22.1	19.9	24.6	12.9	26.8	13.4	12.8	15.3	14.5	14.4	9.6	13.9	19.5	14.8	18.7	17.8
ROTTA	33.1	24.9	20.9	29.7	14.8	30.5	14.3	11.1	16.5	15.3	13.1	9.1	12.7	20.3	17.4	19.4	18.9
ROID	28.2	22.1	17.8	25.8	11.3	27.8	12.4	10.0	14.5	14.0	12.4	7.3	9.2	19.5	14.6	20.2	16.7
SloMo-Fast	29.7	21.2	18.2	26.4	11.6	27.5	12.2	9.7	14.2	13.6	12.4	7.5	10.3	18.8	13.7	19.4	16.6
SloMo-Fast*	27.6	18.2	15.9	21.7	11.1	23.0	11.5	9.5	12.7	12.0	10.8	7.2	9.3	16.0	11.3	15.5	14.6
							CIFAR	100-C									
Source	46.4	73.0	68.0	39.4	29.3	54.1	30.8	28.8	39.4	35.4	30.5	9.3	55.1	37.2	74.7	41.2	46.4
TENT-cont.	83.8	97.2	97.7	97.9	97.9	98.1	97.8	98.0	97.9	98.2	98.0	97.9	98.2	98.3	98.4	98.5	97.1
CoTTA	43.0	37.6	36.5	38.6	26.7	37.3	28.1	26.8	33.4	32.3	41.2	25.8	27.8	33.4	28.8	34.6	33.3
RoTTA	45.3	38.3	36.0	36.6	27.9	40.3	30.0	27.4	33.2	31.5	37.9	27.1	29.5	34.4	37.2	39.0	34.5
ROID	35.0	33.9	31.6	32.5	24.7	34.9	26.7	24.0	29.2	28.6	31.0	22.8	24.4	30.5	26.7	33.9	29.4
SloMo-Fast	38.2	33.7	31.9	34.3	25.1	34.7	27.3	24.1	29.3	28.7	32.8	23.1	25.0	30.8	26.8	34.3	30.0
SloMo-Fast*	34.6	30.3	27.9	29.4	24.4	28.8	25.4	23.0	25.4	25.3	28.0	22.5	23.4	26.2	24.0	27.9	26.6
							Imagei	net-C									
Source	82.0	97.8	97.1	98.2	81.7	89.8	85.2	77.9	83.5	77.1	75.9	41.3	94.5	82.5	79.3	68.6	82.0
TENT-cont.	87.7	89.1	88.1	87.3	88.4	90.6	86.8	80.3	86.3	87.2	81.1	68.5	93.8	84.6	83.9	86.0	85.6
CoTTA	76.0	62.4	61.1	60.9	63.8	64.5	55.7	51.4	54.0	55.3	47.4	40.1	55.7	47.1	43.3	46.1	55.3
RoTTA	78.0	80.0	74.8	74.8	84.6	75.9	68.8	58.4	60.1	61.7	53.0	36.5	69.1	52.1	48.4	50.7	64.2
ROID	69.4	67.4	61.5	62.2	69.7	65.7	57.5	49.5	52.3	58.1	43.3	33.5	58.9	44.9	41.7	45.6	55.1
SloMo-Fast	79.6	69.5	65.3	65.3	70.5	68.7	59.8	50.8	53.0	59.0	45.4	33.9	61.5	46.8	43.0	47.4	57.5

Table 8: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks at the highest severity level 5 for the continual after mixed domains TTA setting. For CIFAR10-C the results are evaluated on WideResNet-28, for CIFAR100-C on ResNeXt-29, and for ImageNet-C, ResNet-50 are used. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

Method	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	$D_{efocus}$	Glass	Motion	Zoom	Show	Frost	Fog	Bright.	Contrast	Elastic	Pixelate	PEG	Mean
	<u> </u>						CIFAI	R10-C								
Source	72.3	65.7	72.9	46.9	54.3	34.8	42.0	25.1	41.3	26.0	9.3	46.7	26.6	58.4	30.3	43.5
TENT-cont.	15.5	14.7	21.0	13.8	35.7	31.5	29.3	32.7	26.5	25.9	23.7	26.3	31.9	27.9	37.0	26.2
CoTTA	15.9	11.5	13.6	7.7	18.1	9.3	8.5	10.8	9.8	8.4	8.1	8.1	10.5	9.1	12.7	10.8
ROTTA	16.9	11.5	15.1	8.3	19.7	11.1	9.1	12.6	11.1	8.7	8.1	8.5	11.6	10.3	14.6	11.8
ROID	14.1	11.8	15.3	6.7	19.7	9.1	7.5	11.1	10.1	6.8	5.9	6.4	10.5	8.9	14.4	10.5
SloMo-Fast	14.9	11.9	15.3	6.8	19.3	9.1	7.5	10.6	9.5	7.1	6.0	6.7	10.1	8.4	13.5	10.4
SloMo-Fast*	13.3	10.3	12.2	7.0	14.6	8.1	7.2	8.5	7.9	6.7	6.4	6.5	7.9	6.9	9.4	8.9
							CIFAR	R100-C								
Source	73.0	68.0	39.4	29.3	54.1	30.8	28.8	39.4	35.4	30.5	9.3	55.1	37.2	74.7	41.2	46.4
TENT-cont.	36.4	45.1	47.4	47.5	64.6	72.6	73.4	77.1	86.7	96.4	97.8	98.1	98.4	98.6	98.5	75.9
CoTTA	33.7	29.4	29.0	24.8	30.2	25.6	25.0	26.9	26.4	26.5	24.4	25.0	25.6	24.6	27.6	27.0
RoTTA	34.3	28.6	30.1	27.2	35.0	30.6	29.5	33.3	33.5	34.6	32.3	34.5	36.4	36.1	45.2	33.4
ROID	28.5	26.0	22.8	21.3	29.3	23.5	22.1	24.4	24.5	23.0	21.0	21.6	25.0	22.7	29.3	24.3
SloMo-Fast	29.3	26.5	24.3	22.0	29.3	23.8	22.4	24.8	24.6	23.5	21.3	21.9	24.8	22.6	29.1	24.7
SloMo-Fast*	28.2	24.9	23.3	22.4	24.8	22.8	22.2	22.9	22.6	22.3	21.9	21.9	22.5	22.1	23.8	23.3
							Image	net-C								
Source	97.8	97.1	98.2	81.7	89.8	85.2	77.9	83.5	77.1	75.9	41.3	94.5	82.5	79.3	68.6	82.0
TENT-cont.	44.8	54.1	80.1	99.0	99.5	99.5	99.6	99.6	99.6	99.7	99.7	99.8	99.8	99.7	99.8	91.6
CoTTA	44.2	53.3	58.9	65.4	68.6	69.1	71.0	72.4	74.2	73.1	71.5	73.3	74.1	73.0	74.0	67.7
RoTTA	59.4	92.0	98.2	99.1	99.3	99.5	99.6	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.8	99.9	99.8	96.4
ROID	42.5	42.7	44.0	45.7	45.5	38.6	40.0	41.1	44.5	32.9	28.5	34.5	35.2	32.1	34.7	38.8
SloMo-Fast	43.0	43.3	44.8	46.3	45.9	39.2	39.9	41.2	44.6	33.3	28.7	34.4	35.2	32.6	34.6	39.1

Table 9: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks in the gradual domains TTA setting. In this setting, the severity of domain shifts changes incrementally over time, simulating a practical scenario for test-time adaptation. The results are evaluated on WideResNet-28 for CIFAR10-C, ResNeXt-29 for CIFAR100-C, and ResNet-50 for ImageNet-C. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

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Method	Gaussian	$D_{efocus}$	Snow	$B_{rightness}$	Shot	Glass	Frost	Contrast	Impulse	Motion	Fog	$E_{lastic}$	$P_{iXelate}$	$z_{oom}$	PEG	Mean
							CIFAF	R10-C								_
Source	72.3	46.9	25.1	9.3	65.7	54.3	26.0	41.3	72.9	34.8	42.0	26.6	58.4	30.3	43.5	41.3
TENT-cont.	24.6	11.8	15.1	8.1	19.6	30.8	15.8	15.3	30.9	15.6	16.2	22.4	17.8	13.9	24.0	18.8
CoTTA	24.0	11.9	16.1	7.8	20.1	26.8	13.9	10.8	23.2	11.5	12.0	18.2	13.7	9.7	17.6	15.8
RoTTA	30.2	19.0	18.1	8.1	25.2	32.6	15.3	15.3	33.1	16.9	13.4	19.7	16.5	11.3	20.2	19.7
ROID	23.6	11.8	14.4	7.1	19.6	27.3	14.6	9.6	28.3	12.4	12.0	19.4	14.7	10.0	20.9	16.4
SloMo-Fast	24.4	11.6	14.5	7.7	19.3	28.0	14.7	10.9	25.9	12.5	12.8	19.3	14.6	10.1	20.4	16.5
SloMo-Fast*	22.5	12.1	13.9	7.8	16.5	24.4	13.4	10.7	21.7	11.8	11.6	16.6	12.0	9.4	16.3	14.7
							CIFAR	100-C								
Source	73.0	29.3	39.4	9.3	68.0	54.1	30.5	35.4	39.4	30.8	28.8	37.2	74.7	41.2	46.4	41.2
TENT-cont.	37.3	29.8	35.4	30.1	41.2	49.5	52.6	62.0	70.4	72.5	82.0	87.5	88.7	90.5	93.4	61.5
CoTTA	40.8	36.6	37.7	27.4	37.4	27.3	25.4	34.4	39.9	32.5	25.6	27.5	32.9	28.6	33.7	32.5
ROTTA	49.4	41.6	41.5	31.7	39.2	29.8	26.0	36.1	36.3	31.7	25.5	34.1	32.1	30.8	36.8	34.9
ROID	36.4	32.7	31.8	25.3	34.6	26.9	24.1	28.9	28.8	31.4	22.9	25.3	31.1	26.8	34.8	29.5
SloMo-Fast	37.2	25.4	29.3	23.2	33.0	35.0	29.2	26.1	34.8	27.0	33.3	31.1	27.2	24.3	34.8	30.1
SloMo-Fast*	37.8	26.7	28.4	23.7	29.1	31.7	27.5	25.1	30.3	25.6	28.7	27.3	24.4	23.1	28.4	27.9
							Image	Net-C								
Source	97.8	81.7	77.9	41.3	97.1	89.8	75.9	77.1	83.5	85.2	98.2	94.5	82.5	79.3	68.6	82.0
TENT-cont.	81.4	78.9	60.5	35.4	73.5	74.2	61.9	71.8	70.5	65.7	51.5	51.6	47.2	55.7	53.6	62.2
CoTTA	84.6	83.5	63.4	34.6	73.5	74.4	57.9	69.4	64.7	59.4	44.9	45.4	40.5	49.0	43.1	59.2
ROTTA	88.0	92.5	69.7	35.4	84.5	84.8	67.4	77.2	85.3	77.3	51.6	52.6	48.9	58.9	54.7	68.6
ROID	71.7	70.3	55.0	34.1	66.8	68.1	58.5	58.3	65.5	58.2	43.9	44.9	42.0	50.2	47.5	55.7
SloMo-Fast	68.8	69.6	52.0	33.7	64.2	67.0	56.7	58.1	63.3	56.3	43.4	43.9	41.6	49.3	46.4	54.3
SloMo-Fast*	68.1	67.7	53.0	37.6	58.6	62.1	54.4	55.7	56.9	52.7	43.3	43.1	41.2	46.3	43.5	52.3

Table 10: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks at the highest severity level (Level 5) in the continual-cross group TTA setting. In this setting, domains are sequentially sampled from different corruption groups (e.g., Noise, Blur). The results are evaluated on WideResNet-28 for CIFAR10-C, ResNeXt-29 for CIFAR100-C, and ResNet-50 for ImageNet-C. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

							CIFAF	R10-C								
Method	Brightness	$S_{ROW}$	$F_{0g}$	Elastic	JPEG.	Motion	Frost	Zoom	Contrast	$D_{efocus}$	Glass	Pixelate	Shot	Gaussian	Impulse	Mean
Source	9.3	25.1	26.0	26.6	30.3	34.8	41.3	42.0	43.5	46.7	46.9	54.3	58.4	65.7	72.3	72.9
TENT-cont.	7.6	15.4	13.1	22.2	25.5	15.5	17.2	14.8	16.4	13.9	30.9	18.4	24.6	25.3	33.6	19.6
CoTTA	8.0	16.4	13.3	21.0	20.6	12.2	14.5	9.9	10.4	9.8	25.4	13.9	18.1	19.5	22.6	15.7
RoTTA	8.0	17.8	14.7	22.3	24.9	13.2	16.4	12.9	11.0	11.9	30.2	16.2	20.9	19.6	27.3	17.8
ROID	7.6	14.7	11.9	19.5	21.0	12.5	14.4	10.1	9.4	10.3	28.2	14.2	19.0	19.9	25.5	15.9
SloMo-Fast	7.5	14.3	12.3	19.6	21.0	12.3	13.8	10.4	10.8	10.8	27.2	13.9	17.8	19.8	25.5	15.8
SloMo-Fast*	8.5	13.4	11.6	18.1	18.8	11.6	12.6	9.3	9.7	9.2	22.4	12.0	15.1	15.9	20.7	13.9
							CIFAR	100-C								
	Zoom	Defocus	Brightness	Motion	Elastic	Impulse	$S_{now}$	PEG	Frost	Fog	Glass	Contrast	Shot	Gaussian	Pixelate	
Method	N	2	Ã	Z	A	Ę	S	7	E	¥2	$\mathcal{G}$	Ü	TS.	$\mathcal{C}$	Æ.	Mean
Source	9.3	28.8	29.3	30.5	30.8	35.4	37.2	39.4	39.4	41.2	46.4	54.1	55.1	68.0	73.0	74.7
TENT-cont.	25.0	25.7	25.2	28.6	34.6	40.3	42.6	50.1	52.7	59.3	70.9	76.9	82.1	88.1	90.0	52.8
CoTTA	27.7	27.0	25.4	28.2	33.5	38.2	32.8	35.3	32.0	40.0	36.1	27.1	35.0	36.2	28.2	32.2
RoTTA	30.3	28.7	26.2	30.1	34.0	40.6	32.1	37.5	30.7	36.8	36.5	29.5	36.6	35.2	30.7	33.0
ROID	36.3	31.9	33.5	24.8	34.9	26.9	24.1	29.1	28.6	31.0	23.0	24.4	30.6	26.4	34.1	29.3
SloMo-Fast	37.2	33.4	35.1	25.0	35.5	27.3	24.2	29.3	29.0	33.3	23.1	25.1	30.8	27.3	34.6	30.0
SloMo-Fast*	37.8	32.6	33.3	26.0	32.3	27.1	24.0	27.1	26.9	28.9	23.0	24.2	27.0	24.6	28.4	28.2
							Image	Net-C								
Method	Brightness	$P_{EG}$	Fog	Frost	Zoom	Pixelate	Defocus	Elastic	$S_{now}$	Motion	Glass	Contrast	Shot	Gaussian	Impulse	Mean
																<u> </u>
Source	41.3	68.6	75.9	77.1	77.9	79.3	81.7	82.0	82.5	83.5	85.2	89.8	94.5	97.1	97.8	98.2
TENT-cont. CoTTA	34.1 34.6	54.4 56.6	46.6 45.8	61.9 60.5	55.1 51.8	46.1 40.8	75.6 68.6	49.4 44.3	59.3 50.3	63.3 52.4	71.8 61.8	69.7 55.0	72.3 55.7	71.4 55.5	69.5 53.4	60.0 52.5
Col IA RoTTA	34.6	56.6 58.8	45.8 53.4	68.5	63.7	40.8 50.6	81.1	56.3	50.3 61.6	52.4 70.0	77.9	55.0 74.7	55.7 78.9	55.5 74.0	53.4 72.8	65.1
ROID	33.4	38.8 48.0	43.2	58.4	51.7	42.3	67.3	36.3 46.3	51.7	70.0 57.7	65.6	60.7	64.3	61.8	61.5	54.3
SloMo-Fast	32.6	46.1	43.2	55.7	49.1	42.3	66.0	43.4	31.7 49.7	55.1	65.5	57.8	63.1	63.4	62.6	52.8
SIONIO-Fast	32.0	40.1	41.4	33.1	49.1	41.0	00.0	45.4	49./	33.1	05.5	31.0	05.1	05.4	02.0	1 32.0

Table 11: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks at the highest severity level (Level 5) in the continual-easy-to-hard TTA setting. In this setting, domains are sorted sequentially from low to high error based on the initial source model's performance. The results are evaluated on WideResNet-28 for CIFAR10-C, ResNeXt-29 for CIFAR100-C, and ResNet-50 for ImageNet-C. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

							CIFA	R10-C								
Method	Impulse	Gaussian	Shot	Pixelate	Glass	$D_{efocus}$	Contrast	Zoom	Frost	$M_0 \dot{u}_{0n}$	$J_{peg}$	Elastic	Fog	$S_{ROW}$	Brightness	Mean
Source	72.9	72.3	65.7	58.4	54.3	46.9	46.7	43.5	42.0	41.3	34.8	30.3	26.6	26.0	25.1	9.3
TENT-cont.	32.4	23.6	22.2	19.9	31.6	16.0	17.1	15.1	20.2	19.3	24.9	26.0	21.2	21.3	13.7	21.6
CoTTA	27.9	24.2	22.6	17.6	28.1	11.7	13.5	10.9	14.8	12.3	19.1	18.6	13.0	14.6	8.1	17.1
RoTTA	37.8	27.5	24.5	21.5	33.3	14.0	15.2	12.0	15.6	13.9	20.2	19.6	13.0	14.4	8.3	19.4
ROID	30.5	21.7	18.2	14.9	26.6	11.2	9.6	10.0	14.6	11.9	21.1	19.3	12.9	14.5	7.3	16.3
SloMo-Fast	31.6	22.6	19.4	15.2	28.0	11.3	10.7	10.2	13.8	12.2	20.5	19.2	13.1	14.0	7.3	16.6
SloMo-Fast*	29.0	21.2	18.5	14.4	24.8	11.5	11.2	9.9	12.7	11.4	16.8	16.7	11.8	12.5	7.4	15.3
							CIFA	R100-C	2							
Method	Pixelate	Gaussian	Shot	Contrast	Glass	Fog	Frost	$J_{pe_{\mathcal{B}}}$	Snow	Impulse	Elastic	Motion	Brightness	Defocus	Zoom	Mean
Source	74.7	73.0	68.0	55.1	54.1	46.4	41.2	39.4	39.4	37.2	35.4	30.8	30.5	29.3	28.8	9.3
TENT-cont.	28.3	37.0	37.4	42.3	49.4	55.9	61.3	70.8	76.0	84.5	88.8	89.7	91.8	92.9	94.1	66.7
CoTTA	31.5	40.0	37.6	28.8	37.6	41.8	32.7	35.8	33.5	38.6	33.6	27.6	25.0	25.9	25.6	33.0
RoTTA	39.0	49.1	42.9	44.9	41.9	39.7	31.6	37.5	30.4	39.8	33.0	28.0	24.8	26.4	25.8	35.7
ROID	34.3	31.6	33.0	23.3	34.6	26.4	23.8	29.4	28.9	32.6	23.1	26.1	31.9	28.2	34.8	29.5
SloMo-Fast	29.1	36.0	32.9	26.4	35.3	34.5	29.5	35.4	29.2	34.4	31.4	26.9	23.1	24.4	24.0	30.2
SloMo-Fast*	29.8	33.1	31.1	27.1	31.9	31.0	27.3	30.6	27.0	30.5	28.3	25.8	23.1	23.0	23.2	28.2
							Imag	eNet-C								
Method	Impulse	Gaussian	$Sho_t$	Contrast	Glass	Motion	$S_{ROW}$	Elastic	Defocus	Pixelate	Zoom	Frost	Fog	$JP_{E_G}$	Brightness	Mean
Source	98.2	97.8	97.1	94.5	89.8	85.2	83.5	82.5	82.0	81.7	79.3	77.9	77.1	75.9	68.6	41.3
TENT-cont.	81.9	75.8	71.8	74.1	74.9	65.8	61.2	50.1	73.9	47.6	56.2	63.9	52.0	53.5	39.0	62.8
CoTTA	84.6	83.0	80.0	78.3	78.5	67.9	60.1	51.5	73.7	45.4	54.6	58.0	47.2	47.5	37.7	63.2
RoTTA	88.5	83.7	82.1	96.2	84.7	73.3	67.6	55.9	76.7	50.0	58.6	66.0	53.4	54.4	34.4	68.4
ROID	71.7	63.6	61.0	60.5	67.5	57.1	52.8	44.7	70.8	41.9	50.2	59.0	43.2	48.1	34.3	55.1
SloMo-Fast	67.9	66.6	64.0	59.6	66.9	56.5	51.2	44.0	67.4	41.7	49.9	56.2	42.8	46.5	33.8	54.3

Table 12: Online classification error rate (%) for the corruption benchmarks at the highest severity level (Level 5) in the continual-hard-to-easy TTA setting. In this setting, domains are sorted sequentially from high to low error based on the initial source model's performance. The results are evaluated on WideResNet-28 for CIFAR10-C, ResNeXt-29 for CIFAR100-C, and ResNet-50 for ImageNet-C. Results marked with (\*) indicate that all parameters of the student model are updated; otherwise, only the Batch Normalization layers are updated.

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SloMo-Fast\*

68.5

62.5

60.6

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63.1

55.7

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52.8

36.4

Table 13: Evaluating the effect of our proposed loss on  $T_2$ , evaluated on the CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C online continual test-time adaptation task. Results are reported as classification error rates (%) using a WideResNet-28 model with corruption severity level 5. Mean squared error (MSE), information maximization (IM), and contrastive loss (CL).

Desig	n Cho	ices							En	or Rate	(%)							
MSE	IM	CL	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	Defocus	Glass	Motion	Zoom	Snow	Frost	Fog	Brightness	Contrast	Elastic	Pixelate	JPEG	Mean
		<b>√</b>	22.5	18.4	25.1	13.3	24.8	14.0	12.5	14.5	14.3	13.4	10.0	12.4	17.2	13.1	16.5	16.1
✓	✓		23.2	18.9	25.4	12.0	25.5	13.4	11.9	14.4	14.3	12.7	9.4	12.1	17.2	12.7	16.7	16.0
	✓	✓	22.6	18.5	24.6	13.0	24.6	13.6	12.0	14.3	14.1	13.1	9.6	12.1	17.2	12.6	15.9	15.8
✓	✓	✓	22.4	18.5	24.7	11.9	24.6	12.2	10.1	12.7	12.9	11.4	7.5	9.9	16.2	11.7	15.9	14.8

Table 14: Evaluating the effect of our proposed loss on  $T_2$ , evaluated on the CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C online continual test-time adaptation task. Results are reported as classification error rates (%) using a ResNeXt-29 model with corruption severity level 5. Mean squared error (MSE), information maximization (IM), and contrastive loss (CL).

Desig	n Cho	ices							En	ror Rate	(%)							
MSE	IM	CL	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	Defocus	Glass	Motion	Zoom	Snow	Frost	Fog	Brightness	Contrast	Elastic	Pixelate	JPEG	Mean
	<b>√</b>		38.1	33.0	33.9	26.7	32.4	27.6	25.0	27.4	26.6	29.4	23.8	24.8	26.5	24.9	27.8	28.5
✓		$\checkmark$	38.9	33.2	33.4	26.6	32.0	27.3	24.8	26.7	27.0	28.3	23.6	24.2	26.7	24.7	27.2	28.3
	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	38.0	32.6	33.1	26.8	31.5	26.9	24.8	27.0	26.9	28.2	23.7	24.6	26.6	24.8	27.2	28.2
$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	37.9	32.5	33.2	26.5	31.4	26.8	24.4	26.5	26.3	28.4	23.5	24.6	26.3	24.2	27.1	28.0

the WideResNet-28 and ResNeXt-29 model under the highest corruption severity level (level 5). Classification error rates (%) are reported for 15 corruption types, along with the mean error rate as an overall summary.

In the CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C task (Table 15), applying PC to the output and using Stochastic Restoration of the  $T_2$  model achieves the lowest mean error rate of 14.88%. This result demonstrates the effectiveness of combining these techniques for robust adaptation. When Stochastic Restoration is removed, and only PC is applied to the output, the mean error rate increases to 16.11%, indicating the critical role of Stochastic Restoration in enhancing the model's robustness under severe corruptions. Conversely, removing PC while retaining Stochastic Restoration results in a mean error rate of 15.78%, suggesting that Prior Correction also significantly contributes to improved performance. These findings highlight the complementary roles of PC and ST in enhancing the adaptation capabilities of the  $T_2$  model.

In the CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C task (Table 16), a similar trend is observed. Applying PC to the output alongside Stochastic Restoration of the  $T_2$  model achieves the lowest mean error rate of 28.00%. Removing Stochastic Restoration while retaining PC increases the mean error rate to 28.48%, demonstrating the importance of Stochastic Restoration for handling severe corruptions. On the other hand, using only Stochastic Restoration without PC results in a mean error rate of 28.08%, highlighting the significant role of Prior Correction in reducing classification errors.

The results from both CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C and CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C tasks consistently demonstrate that the combination of Prior Correction and Stochastic Restoration leads to the most effective adaptation.

# **6.6 Effect of Consistency Loss**

Tables 17 and 18 present the classification error rates (%) for the CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C and CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C online continual test-time adaptation tasks, respectively. These results evaluate the effect of applying a consistency loss between the student model and teacher:  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ , and  $T_1$  with data augmentation input( $T_1(aug)$ ). The evaluations are conducted using WideResNet-28 for CIFAR10C and ResNeXt-29 for CIFAR10C under the largest corruption severity level (level 5). Classification error rates are reported for 15 corruption types, along with the mean error rate as a summary.For CIFAR10-C, the best results are achieved by incorporating the consistency loss between the student predictions and the predictions from both  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ . For CIFAR100-C, the best performance is obtained by using

the consistency loss between the student predictions and the predictions from  $T_2$  and  $T_1$  with augmented samples.

# 6.7 CTTA Under Cyclic Domain Settings

In continual test-time adaptation, catastrophic forgetting occurs when the model forgets previously learned knowledge while adapting to new domains. To address this, we propose a second teacher model that learns more generalized knowledge compared to the primary teacher model, which is more adapted to the current domain. This helps retain critical knowledge from past domains while enabling adaptation to new ones, mitigating the risk of forgetting. To validate our approach, we conduct an ablation study in cyclic domain settings, where domains are grouped and presented in a cycle. This setup allows us to compare the effectiveness of various methods designed to tackle catastrophic forgetting. Table 20-32 presents the detailed results on the newly proposed benchmark CTTA under cyclic domain settings.

The experimental results demonstrate that our method improves performance when domains repeat, indicating that it retains past knowledge to some extent while adapting to new domains. Specifically, our approach achieves lower error rates compared to state-of-the-art methods. In CIFAR10-C, our method achieves an error rate of 14.89% in Cycle 1 and 14.38% in Cycle 2, showing improvement in error rate as domains are repeated. In contrast, TENT[Wang et al., 2021], which does not specifically address continual domain adaptation, results in higher error rates, with Cycle 1 at 17.47% and Cycle 2 at 16.64%. While COTTA[Wang et al., 2022] shows some improvement initially, it does not exhibit reduction in error rates when domains are repeated. ROID[Marsden et al., 2024a], on the other hand, shows limited improvement under cyclic domain settings. Compared to state-of-theart methods, our method demonstrates better retention of past knowledge, leading to more stable performance across cyclic domains. These results highlight the effectiveness of our approach in mitigating catastrophic forgetting and adapting to domain shifts, outperforming existing methods in terms of reduced error rates.

# **6.8** Catastrophic Fogetting

The figures illustrate the performance of different CTTA methods, including SloMo-Fast, on the CIFAR10-C benchmark, highlighting challenges like catastrophic forgetting and the ability to retain long-term knowledge.

In the standard CTTA setting, as shown in 6, the SloMo-Fast method achieves consistently low error rates, with a mean error of **15.79%**, outperforming CoTTA (**16.5%**) and

Table 15: Classification error rate (%) for the CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C online continual test-time adaptation task. Results are evaluated using the WideResNet-28 model with corruption severity level 5. Prior Correction (PC) is applied to the model output, and Stochastic Restoration (ST) is applied to the  $T_2$  model.

Design	n Choices							En	ror Rate	(%)							
PC	ST	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	Defocus	Glass	Motion	Zoom	Snow	Frost	Fog	Brightness	Contrast	Elastic	Pixelate	JPEG	Mean
$\overline{}$		22.6	17.8	23.8	13.8	24.7	14.9	12.4	14.4	14.3	13.7	10.3	12.5	17.3	12.8	15.7	16.1
	✓	22.5	18.5	24.4	12.8	24.7	13.3	11.7	14.4	14.0	13.0	9.6	11.7	17.0	12.5	15.8	15.7
$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	22.4	18.5	24.7	11.9	24.6	12.2	10.1	12.7	12.9	11.4	7.5	9.9	16.2	11.7	15.9	14.8

Table 16: Classification error rate (%) for the CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C online continual test-time adaptation task. Results are evaluated using the ResNeXt-29 model with corruption severity level 5. Prior Correction (PC) is applied to the model output, and Stochastic Restoration (ST) is applied to the  $T_2$  model.

Desig	n Choices							En	or Rate	(%)							
PC	ST	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	Defocus	Glass	Motion	Zoom	Snow	Frost	Fog	Brightness	Contrast	Elastic	Pixelate	JPEG	Mean
$\overline{}$		37.3	32.6	33.7	27.4	32.2	27.5	25.1	27.2	26.8	29.3	24.0	24.6	27.0	24.6	27.4	28.4
	$\checkmark$	37.9	32.5	33.0	26.7	31.5	27.2	24.7	26.6	26.4	28.3	23.4	24.5	26.4	24.5	27.0	28.0
_ <	✓	37.9	32.5	33.2	26.5	31.4	26.8	24.4	26.5	26.3	28.4	23.5	24.6	26.3	24.2	27.1	28.0

Table 17: Classification error rate (%) for the standard CIFAR10-to-CIFAR10C online continual test-time adaptation task. Results are evaluated on WideResNet-28 with the largest corruption severity level 5. The consistency loss calculated between student and teachers.  $T_1$  indicates consistency loss calculated between student and teacher 1,  $T_2$  indicates consistency loss calculated between student and teacher 2,  $T_1(aug)$  indicates consistency loss calculated between student and teacher 1 where the input of teacher is augementation of input images.

D	esign	Choices							En	ror Rate	(%)							
T1	$T_2$	T1(aug)	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	Defocus	Glass	Motion	Zoom	Snow	Frost	Fog	Brightness	Contrast	Elastic	Pixelate	JPEG	Mean
$\overline{}$	<b>√</b>		22.7	18.1	24.2	12.8	25.5	13.5	11.5	15.0	14.2	13.3	9.7	12.2	17.0	13.3	15.7	15.9
✓		$\checkmark$	22.7	18.7	25.4	12.9	25.7	14.3	12.3	15.3	15.1	13.4	10.3	13.3	17.8	13.4	17.1	16.5
	$\checkmark$	✓	22.6	18.2	24.8	13.2	25.1	14.6	12.2	14.5	14.6	13.1	10.2	12.3	17.6	12.9	16.4	16.1

Table 18: Classification error rate (%) for the standard CIFAR100-to-CIFAR100C online continual test-time adaptation task. Results are evaluated on ResNeXt-29 with the largest corruption severity level 5. The consistency loss calculated between student and teachers.  $T_1$  indicates consistency loss calculated between student and teacher 1,  $T_2$  indicates consistency loss calculated between student and teacher 2,  $T_1(aug)$  indicates consistency loss calculated between student and teacher 1 where the input of teacher is augementation of input images.

D	esign	Choices							En	or Rate (	(%)							
T1	$T_2$	T1(aug)	Gaussian	Shot	Impulse	Defocus	Glass	Motion	Zoom	Snow	Frost	Fog	Brightness	Contrast	Elastic	Pixelate	JPEG	Mean
<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>		38.2	32.9	33.9	26.3	32.0	27.0	24.7	27.3	26.6	28.9	23.7	24.0	26.5	24.3	27.1	28.2
$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$	38.1	33.1	33.9	27.1	32.5	27.4	25.4	27.7	27.0	29.0	24.2	25.6	27.7	25.6	28.6	28.9
	✓	✓	37.3	32.7	33.0	26.3	31.6	27.2	24.7	26.9	26.3	28.3	23.6	24.7	26.7	24.6	27.1	28.1

ROID (16.2%). This demonstrates SloMo-Fast's superior adaptability while avoiding performance degradation seen in other methods.

For mixed domain settings, as shown in 7, SloMo-Fast maintains the best mean error rate of **28.0%**, compared to CoTTA (**32.5%**) and ROID (**28.0%**). This highlights SloMo-Fast's ability to handle mixed corruption scenarios effectively.

When evaluating performance in a mixed-after-continual setting, as in 8, SloMo-Fast achieves the lowest mean error rate of 21.34%, significantly outperforming ROID (27.37%) and CoTTA (26.76%), showcasing its resilience to catastrophic forgetting.

In the cyclic domain adaptation scenario, as shown in 9, SloMo-Fast exhibits stable performance, maintaining an average error rate of **14.63**% across repeated domains, compared to ROID's **15.63**%. This demonstrates SloMo-Fast's ability to retain previously learned knowledge without succumbing to forgetting, a common issue in ROID and CoTTA.

Overall, the results validate SloMo-Fast as a robust solution for CTTA, capable of preserving long-term domain knowledge while achieving state-of-the-art performance.

Method	Repetition			C	IFAR100-	С				C	IFAR10-0	2				Iı	magenet-C	2	
		Noise	Blur	Weather	Digital	Distortion	Avg. Error	Noise	Blur	Weather	Digital	Distortion	Avg. Error	Noise	Blur	Weather	Digital	Distortion	Avg. Error
TENT	Cycle 1	38.28	31.14	32.93	25.04	34.09	32.29	23.66	16.95	15.22	9.07	20.09	17.47	76.35	69.32	57.09	55.31	50.69	61.75
	Cycle 2	47.88	37.12	37.93	25.18	38.95	37.41	23.66	16.95	15.22	9.07	20.09	16.64	69.31	65.14	54.19	52.27	47.47	57.68
	Avg.	43.08	34.13	35.43	25.11	36.52	34.85	23.66	16.95	15.22	9.07	20.09	17.06	72.83	67.23	55.64	53.79	49.08	59.72
COTTA	Cycle 1	36.52	29.43	30.98	23.56	32.75	30.96	23.16	14.98	15.57	10.01	20.63	17.23	82.38	76.91	59.52	56.98	52.82	65.72
	Cycle 2	44.67	34.69	35.93	23.97	36.39	34.69	23.15	15.54	15.15	9.86	20.06	16.28	78.63	72.06	55.52	53.79	47.91	61.58
	Avg.	39.60	32.06	33.46	23.77	34.57	33.70	23.15	15.26	15.36	9.94	20.35	16.75	80.5	74.48	57.52	55.38	50.36	63.65
RoTTA	Cycle 1	46.66	33.82	40.83	41.70	41.17	40.84	30.08	18.98	17.00	12.39	23.95	20.64	84.36	76.76	63.04	58.09	55.21	67.49
	Cycle 2	43.72	29.96	34.31	32.09	36.35	34.70	26.18	16.66	16.02	12.39	21.68	18.23	80.53	72.54	60.50	57.35	52.76	64.74
	Avg.	45.19	31.89	37.57	36.9	38.76	37.77	28.13	17.82	16.51	12.39	22.81	19.44	82.44	74.65	61.77	57.72	53.98	66.11
ROID	Cycle 1	33.94	27.58	30.11	24.09	31.20	29.38	22.16	15.52	13.55	8.48	18.44	16.08	65.23	61.95	51.22	46.46	44.79	53.93
	Cycle 2	32.43	28.31	29.29	23.21	30.55	28.52	22.16	15.52	13.55	8.48	18.44	15.17	61.37	59.62	50.81	45.74	44.22	52.35
	Avg.	<b>33.18</b>	27.95	29.70	23.65	30.87	28.95	22.16	15.52	13.55	<b>8.48</b>	18.44	15.63	63.3	60.78	51.02	46.1	44.5	53.14
SloMo-Fast	Cycle 1	33.29	27.02	26.96	24.84	25.79	27.98	20.62	15.21	13.09	10.23	14.02	14.89	66.33	60.70	50.20	25.01	43.55	53.22
	Cycle 2	33.29	27.02	26.96	24.84	25.79	27.18	20.62	15.21	13.09	10.23	14.02	14.38	63.58	59.46	49.30	44.88	43.25	52.09
	Avg.	33.29	<b>27.02</b>	<b>26.96</b>	24.84	<b>25.79</b>	27.58	<b>20.62</b>	<b>15.21</b>	<b>13.09</b>	10.23	<b>14.02</b>	14.63	64.95	60.08	49.75	34.95	43.4	52.66

Table 19: Our Proposed Cyclic TTA results of SloMo-Fast compared with existing methods on CIFAR10-C and CIFAR100-C for different domain groups. Each subgroup completes a cycle of seeing different test domains twice. (Gaussian, Shot, Impulse): Noise, (Defocus, Glass, Motion, Zoom): Blur, (Snow, Frost, Fog): Weather, (Brightness, Contrast): Digital, (Elastic, Pixelate, JPEG): . SloMo-Fast achieves the best performance across both datasets.

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Michiod	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
		gaussian	23.42		gaussian	24.87	
	Noise	shot	21.98	23.66	shot	24.37	25.49
		impulse	25.58		impulse	21.74	
		defocus	11.81		defocus	11.81	
	Blur	glass	29.76	16.95	glass	29.76	16.95
	Diui	motion	14.01	10.93	motion	14.01	10.93
		zoom	12.23		zoom	12.23	
TENT		snow	16.34		snow	14.98	
	Weather	frost	15.94	15.22	frost	15.44	14.99
		fog	14.10		fog	14.55	
	Digital	brightness	7.91	9.07	brightness	7.67	8.78
	Digital	contrast	10.81	9.07	contrast	9.89	0.76
		elastic	22.11		elastic	20.55	
	Distortion	pixel	16.22	20.09	pixel	15.54	19.47
		jpeg	23.77		jpeg	22.33	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 17.47	1%	Cycle	2 Avg: 17.14	%

Table 20: Detailed Evaluation Results for TENT on CIFAR10-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
		gaussian	38.12		gaussian	47.32	
	Noise	shot	38.45	38.28	shot	48.23	47.88
		impulse	38.27		impulse	48.09	
		defocus	30.87		defocus	37.00	
	Blur	glass	31.19	31.14	glass	36.78	37.12
	Diui	motion	30.75	31.17	motion	37.39	37.12
		zoom	31.27		zoom	37.50	
TENT		snow	33.05		snow	36.88	
	Weather	frost	33.21	32.93	frost	36.32	37.93
		fog	32.55		fog	38.58	
	Digital	brightness	25.32	25.04	brightness	24.95	25.18
	Digital	contrast	24.76	23.04	contrast	25.41	23.10
		elastic	33.72		elastic	39.05	
	Distortion	pixel	34.56	34.09	pixel	39.14	38.95
		jpeg	33.98		jpeg	38.66	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 32.29	%	Cycle	2 Avg: 37.41	%

Table 21: Detailed Evaluation Results for TENT on CIFAR100-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Wichiod	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
		gaussian	81.38		gaussian	70.78	
	Noise	shot	74.82	76.35	shot	68.50	69.31
		impulse	72.86		impulse	68.66	
		defocus	81.66		defocus	72.56	
	Blur	glass	77.04	69.32	glass	72.72	65.14
	Diui	motion	65.18	09.32	motion	62.26	05.14
		zoom	53.40		zoom	53.00	
TENT		snow	62.02		snow	56.38	
	Weather	frost	62.66	57.09	frost	60.58	54.19
		fog	46.58		fog	45.62	
	Digital	brightness	34.22	55.31	brightness	33.20	52.27
	Digital	contrast	76.40	33.31	contrast	71.34	32.21
		elastic	52.92		elastic	47.82	
	Distortion	pixel	46.36	50.69	pixel	44.22	47.47
		jpeg	52.78		jpeg	50.36	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 61.75	%	Cycle	2 Avg: 57.68	%

Table 22: Detailed Evaluation Results for TENT on Imagenet-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg.	Domain	Error (%)	Avg.
		gaussian	36.14		gaussian	44.23	
	Noise	shot	36.84	36.52	shot	44.98	44.67
		impulse	36.57		impulse	44.81	
		defocus	29.12		defocus	34.45	
	Blur	glass	29.55	29.43	glass	34.08	34.69
	Diui	motion	28.99	29.43	motion	34.72	34.09
		zoom	29.36		zoom	34.51	
COTTA		snow	31.25		snow	35.45	
	Weather	frost	30.84	30.98	frost	35.21	35.93
		fog	30.85		fog	37.13	
	Digital	brightness	23.28	23.56	brightness	23.95	23.97
	Digital	contrast	23.84	23.30	contrast	24.09	23.71
		elastic	32.48		elastic	36.54	
	Distortion	pixel	32.88	32.75	pixel	36.19	36.39
		jpeg	32.89		jpeg	36.44	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 30.96	5%	Cycle	2 Avg: 34.69	%

Table 23: Detailed Evaluation Results for COTTA on CIFAR100-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Wichiod	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg.	Domain	Error (%)	Avg.
		gaussian	84.54		gaussian	80.64	
	Noise	shot	81.94	82.38	shot	78.30	78.63
		impulse	80.66		impulse	76.96	
		defocus	86.00		defocus	79.48	
	Blur	glass	83.74	76.91	glass	77.06	72.06
	Diui	motion	73.82	70.91	motion	70.00	72.00
		zoom	64.06		zoom	61.70	
COTTA		snow	65.04		snow	60.76	
	Weather	frost	61.38	59.52	frost		55.52
		fog	47.80		fog	44.42	
	Digital	brightness	34.64	56.98	brightness	34.22	53.79
	Digital	contrast	79.32	30.70	contrast	73.36	33.17
		elastic	55.72		elastic	50.84	
	Distortion	pixel	48.10	52.82	pixel	42.48	47.91
		jpeg	54.64		jpeg	50.40	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 65.72	%	Cycle	2 Avg: 61.58	%

Table 24: Detailed Evaluation Results for COTTA on Imagenet-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2		
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	
		gaussian	23.94		gaussian	20.62		
	Noise	shot	22.41	22.32	shot	21.00	22.16	
		impulse	20.62		impulse	24.87	1	
		defocus	10.52		defocus	10.52		
	Blur	glass	28.20	15.52	glass	28.20	15.52	
	Diai	motion	12.06		motion	12.06		
		zoom	10.06		zoom	10.06		
ROID	Weather	snow	15.12		snow	14.01	13.24	
		frost	14.41	13.55	frost	13.79		
		fog	12.04		fog	11.92		
	Digital	brightness	7.76	8.48	brightness	7.37	8.27	
	Digital	contrast	9.61	0.40	contrast	9.17	0.27	
		elastic	21.08		elastic	19.16		
	Distortion	pixel	15.22	18.44	pixel	14.51	17.90	
		jpeg	20.62		jpeg	20.02		
		Cycle	1 Avg: 16.08	%	Cycle 2 Avg: 15.17%			

Table 25: Detailed Evaluation Results for ROID on CIFAR10-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2		
Wichiod	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	
		gaussian	32.34		gaussian	33.67	33.83	
	Noise	shot	33.12	32.53	shot	34.58		
		impulse	32.12		impulse	33.25		
		defocus	27.12		defocus	28.44		
	Blur	glass	25.67		glass	27.23	28.31	
	Diui	motion	26.22	26.44	motion	28.23		
		zoom	26.65		zoom	29.34		
ROID	Weather	snow	28.77	30.11	snow	29.29	29.70	
		frost	28.06		frost	28.77		
		fog	33.50		fog	31.03		
	Digital	brightness	23.64	24.09	brightness	22.46	23.21	
	Digital	contrast	24.53	24.09	contrast	23.95	23.21	
		elastic	32.08		elastic	30.86		
	Distortion	pixel	27.28	31.20	pixel	26.90	30.55	
		jpeg	34.23		jpeg	33.88		
		Cycle	1 Avg: 29.38	%	Cycle 2 Avg: 28.52%			

Table 26: Detailed Evaluation Results for ROID on CIFAR100-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2			
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg		
		gaussian	72.24		gaussian	61.84			
	Noise	shot	61.54	65.23	shot	60.46	61.37		
		impulse	61.92		impulse	61.80	1		
		defocus	72.68		defocus	66.64			
	Blur	glass	67.26		glass	66.02	59.62		
	Diui	motion	58.36	61.95	motion	57.02			
		zoom	49.50		zoom	48.82			
ROID	Weather	snow	52.54	51.22	snow	51.38	50.81		
		frost	57.96		frost	57.76			
		fog	43.16		fog	43.30			
	Digital	brightness	33.30	46.46	brightness	33.88	45.74		
	Digital	contrast	59.62	40.40	contrast	57.60	43.74		
		elastic	45.32		elastic	44.10			
	Distortion	pixel	42.40	44.79	pixel	42.36	44.22		
		jpeg	46.64		jpeg	46.20			
		Cycle	1 Avg: 53.93	%	Cycle 2 Avg: 52.35%				

Table 27: Detailed Evaluation Results for ROID on Imagenet-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

			Cycle 1			Cycle 2		
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	
		gaussian	30.21		gaussian	25.50		
	Noise	shot	25.43	30.08	shot	22.32	26.18	
		impulse	34.59		impulse	30.72		
		defocus	13.80		defocus	11.33		
	Blur	glass	36.19	18.98	glass	31.81	16.66	
	Diui	motion	14.78		motion	13.49		
		zoom	11.13		zoom	10.01		
RoTTA	Weather	snow	17.81	17.00	snow	16.27	16.02	
		frost	17.68		frost	15.53		
		fog	15.52		fog	13.30		
	Digital	brightness	8.06	12.39	brightness	8.83	12.39	
	Digital	contrast	18.35	12.37	contrast	14.32	12.37	
		elastic	23.64		elastic	22.15		
	Distortion	pixel	21.65	23.95	pixel	19.46	21.68	
		jpeg	26.57		jpeg	23.44		
		Cycle	1 Avg: 20.64	.%	Cycle 2 Avg: 18.23%			

Table 28: Detailed Evaluation Results for RoTTA on CIFAR10-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

			Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
		gaussian	49.48		gaussian	41.89	
	Noise	shot	44.87	46.66	shot	39.18	43.72
		impulse	45.62		impulse	41.29	
		defocus	29.94		defocus	25.95	
	Blur	glass	47.33	33.82	glass	40.52	29.96
	Blui	motion	30.86		motion	28.32	
		zoom	27.16		zoom	25.07	
RoTTA		snow	39.00		snow	32.99	
	Weather	frost	41.40	40.83	frost	33.15	34.31
		fog	42.09		fog	36.78	
	Digital	brightness	28.95	41.70	brightness	26.63	32.09
	Digital	contrast	54.44	41.70	contrast	37.56	32.09
		elastic	40.58		elastic	35.83	
	Distortion	pixel	40.05	41.17	pixel	33.93	36.35
		jpeg	42.89		jpeg	39.28	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 40.84	%	Cycle 2 Avg: 34.70%		

Table 29: Detailed Evaluation Results for RoTTA on CIFAR100-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

			Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
		gaussian	87.98		gaussian	81.94	
	Noise	shot	82.74	84.36	shot	80.28	80.53
		impulse	82.36		impulse	79.38	
		defocus	84.66		defocus	79.40	
	Blur	glass	86.60	76.76	glass	81.941	72.54
	Diui	motion	75.60	70.70	motion	71.58	12.34
		zoom	60.16		zoom	57.22	
RoTTA		snow	67.04		snow	64.90	
	Weather	frost	67.48	63.04	frost	64.96	60.50
		fog	54.60		fog	51.64	
	Digital	brightness	34.54	58.09	brightness	35.94	57.35
	Digital	contrast	81.64	30.09	contrast	78.76	31.33
		elastic	55.44		elastic	53.78	
Disto	Distortion	pixel	52.10	55.21	pixel	49.34	52.76
		jpeg	58.10		jpeg	55.16	
		Cycle	1 Avg:67.49	%	Cycle 2 Avg: 64.74%		

Table 30: Detailed Evaluation Results for RoTTA on Imagenet-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Wichiou	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
		gaussian	23.89		gaussian	19.96	
	Noise	shot	18.89	23.05	shot	17.60	20.76
		impulse	26.38		impulse	24.72	
		defocus	12.23	15.73	defocus	11.47	
	Blur	glass	26.33		glass	24.83	15.09
	Biui	motion	13.50		motion	13.34	13.09
		zoom	10.86		zoom	10.71	
SloMo-Fast	Weather	snow	13.86	13.51	snow	13.39	13.17
		frost	13.42		frost	13.26	
		fog	13.26		fog	12.85	
	Digital	brightness	7.79	9.43	brightness	8.22	9.30
	Digital	contrast	11.08	7.73	contrast	10.38	7.50
		elastic	18.15		elastic	17.91	
	Distortion	pixel	13.21	16.22	pixel	13.04	16.02
		jpeg	17.31		jpeg	17.10	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 15.59	%	Cycle	2 Avg: 14.87	%

Table 31: Detailed Evaluation Results for SloMo-Fast on CIFAR10-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
	Noise	gaussian	36.99		gaussian	34.09	
		shot	32.91	35.01	shot	32.26	33.45
		impulse	35.14		impulse	34.01	
		defocus	26.08	28.84	defocus	26.03	
	Blur	glass	35.52		glass	34.31	28.53
	Biui	motion	28.24		motion	28.05	
		zoom	25.50		zoom	25.73	
SloMo-Fast	Weather	snow	29.73	30.89	snow	29.02	30.57
		frost	29.45		frost	29.15	
		fog	33.48		fog	33.53	
	Digital	brightness	24.03	25.01	brightness	24.47	25.20
	Digital	contrast	25.99	23.01	contrast	25.92	23.20
		elastic	31.21		elastic	31.54	
	Distortion	pixel	27.54	31.22	pixel	27.71	31.44
		jpeg	34.92		jpeg	35.08	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 30.19	%	Cycle	2 Avg: 29.84	%

Table 32: Detailed Evaluation Results for SloMo-Fast on CIFAR100-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
	Noise	gaussian	68.72		gaussian	64.82	
		shot	65.56	66.33	shot	62.82	63.58
		impulse	64.73		impulse	63.09	
		defocus	68.51	60.70	defocus	66.23	
	Blur	glass	66.71		glass	65.77	59.46
	Biui	motion	57.39		motion	56.28	
		zoom	50.19		zoom	49.57	
SloMo-Fast	Weather	snow	50.94	50.20	snow	49.47	49.30
		frost	56.59		frost	55.90	
		fog	43.08		fog	42.52	
	Digital	brightness	33.61	25.01	brightness	33.65	44.88
	Digital	contrast	56.98	25.01	contrast	56.12	44.00
		elastic	43.65		elastic	43.05	
	Distortion	pixel	41.21	43.55	pixel	40.93	43.25
		jpeg	45.80		jpeg	45.77	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 53.22	2%	Cycle	2 Avg: 52.09	%

Table 33: Detailed Evaluation Results for SloMo-Fast on Imagenet-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

			Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
		gaussian	21.65		gaussian	20.34	
	Noise	shot	19.78	20.62	shot	21.12	20.62
		impulse	20.43		impulse	20.40	
		defocus	15.03	14.79	defocus	14.34	
	Blur	glass	14.65		glass	15.92	15.21
	Diui	motion	17.07		motion	16.27	
		zoom	12.41		zoom	13.90	
SloMo-Fast*	Weather	snow	13.72	13.21	snow	13.10	13.09
		frost	13.42		frost	13.23	
		fog	12.48		fog	12.58	
	Digital	brightness	9.33	10.24	brightness	9.17	10.23
	Digital	contrast	11.15	10.24	contrast	11.26	10.23
		elastic	15.85		elastic	15.64	
	Distortion	pixel	11.56	13.96	pixel	11.98	14.02
		jpeg	14.46		jpeg	14.61	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 14.89	%	Cycle	2 Avg: 14.38	%

Table 34: Detailed Evaluation Results for SloMo-Fast\* on CIFAR10-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

Method	Subgroup		Cycle 1			Cycle 2	
Method	Subgroup	Domain	Error (%)	Avg	Domain	Error (%)	Avg
	Noise	gaussian	34.12		gaussian	34.82	
		shot	32.54	33.29	shot	31.89	33.51
		impulse	33.12		impulse	33.84	
		defocus	27.01	27.02	defocus	27.03	
	Blur	glass	26.97		glass	27.04	27.02
	Biui	motion	26.89		motion	27.12	
		zoom	27.22		zoom	26.89	
SloMo-Fast*	Weather	snow	27.00	26.96	snow	26.98	26.96
		frost	26.90		frost	27.01	
		fog	26.98		fog	26.89	
	Digital	brightness	24.74	24.84	brightness	24.41	24.84
	Digital	contrast	25.05	27.07	contrast	25.18	24.04
		elastic	25.72		elastic	25.67	
	Distortion	pixel	24.79	25.89	pixel	24.97	25.79
		jpeg	26.84		jpeg	26.73	
		Cycle	1 Avg: 27.98	%	Cycle	2 Avg: 27.18	%

Table 35: Detailed Evaluation Results for SloMo-Fast\* on CIFAR100-C under Cyclic Domain Settings

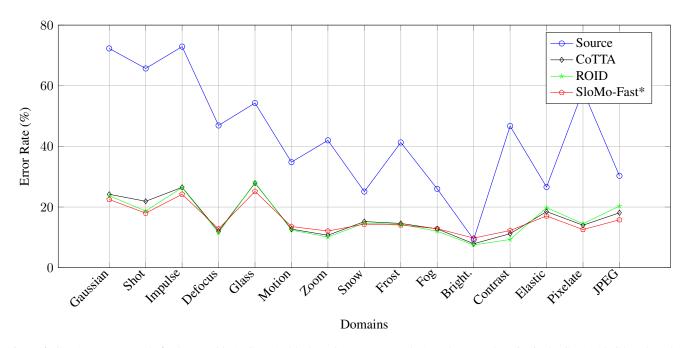


Figure 6: CTTA Error rates (%) for Source (blue), CoTTA (black), ROID (green), and PA (red) across domains in the CIFAR10-C benchmark.

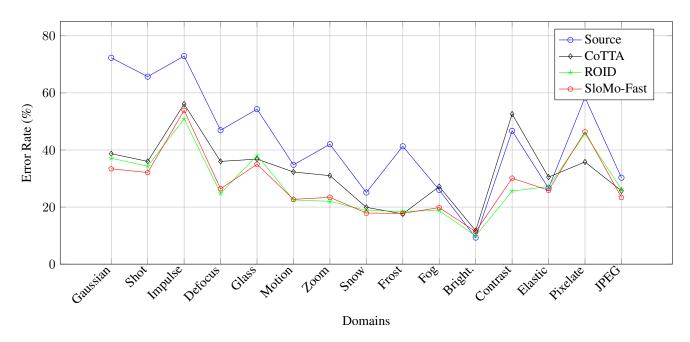


Figure 7: Mixed TTA Error rates (%) for Source (blue), CoTTA (black), ROID (green), and PA (red) methods across domains in the CIFAR10-C benchmark for mixed domains.

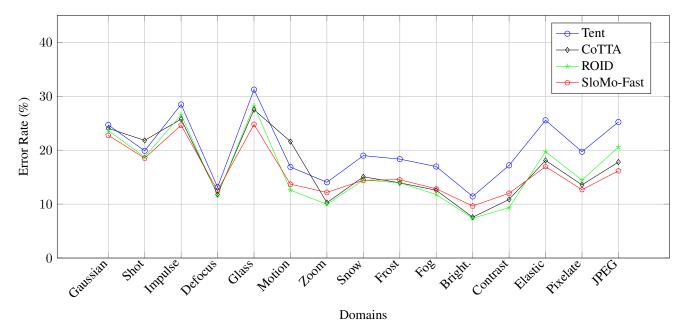


Figure 8: Mixed after Continual TTA Error rates (%) for Tent (blue), CoTTA (black), ROID (green), and PA (red) methods across domains in the CIFAR10-C benchmark for mixed domains after continual learning.

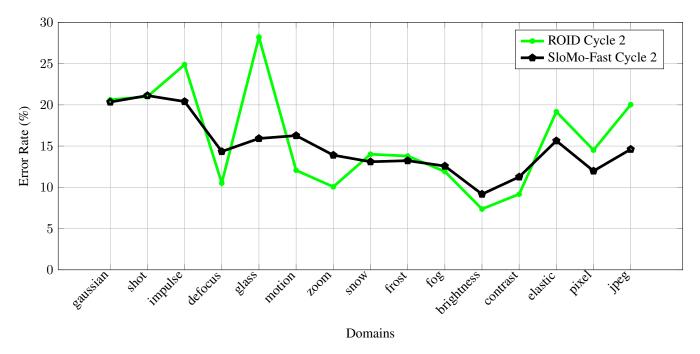


Figure 9: Cyclic TTA Error rates (%) for ROID and PA methods across domains with subgroup boundaries (Cycle 2 only). Here, Existing best ROID is fluctuating and indicates catestrophic forgetting where SloMo-Fast is stable