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List of Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Full Name / Short Definition
DCNNs	Deep Convolutional Neural Networks / A regularized version of multilayer perceptrons based on convolution kernels
VQA	Visual Question Answering / A multimodal task
AVQA	Audio-Visual Question Answering / A multimodal task
MHEF	Multi-stage Hybrid Embedding Fusion / A multi-stage fusion approache for vision-language interactions for VQA
LP-Focal	Language Prior based Focal Loss / A debiased loss function for VQA
LBCL	Language Bias driven Curriculum Learning / An anti-bias learning framework for VQA
COCA	COllabrative CAusal regularization / An regularization strategy to mitigate multiple shortcut biases
MDL-VQA	Multi-Domain Lifelong VQA / An VQA setting over lifelong learning across multiple visual domains
SCD	Self-Critical Distillation / A replay-free continual learning approach to alleviate catastrophic forgetting
FedVQA	Federated VQA / A VQA setting of federated learning over heterogeneous scenes
FedP3	Federated Pairwise Preference Preserving / A knowledge preserving framework for personalized federated VQA
Faster-RCNN	A real-time visual-object detection network
ViLT	A Transformer for multimodal inputs / Vision-and-Language Transformer Vision-and-Language Transformer Without Convolution or Region Supervision
LwF	Learning without Forgetting / A teacher-student distillation architecture to avoid catastrophic forgetting issues
BCE	Binary Cross Entropy / A metric that tracks incorrect labeling of the data class by a model
SSL	Self-Supervised Learning / a learning process where the model trains itself to learn one part of the input from another part of the input.
OOD	out-of distribution / it is used to describe a dataset where its train and test splits are in different label distributions.
IID	identically distributed (data)
MMD	Maximum Mean Discrepancy
CIL	Class-Incremental Learning
DIL	Domain-Incremental Learning
DKD	Decoupled Knowledge Distillation // Knowledge distillation based on two teacher models
GCNs	Graph Convolutional Networks
MSE	Mean Squared Error / A metric to measure the distances between two features
KLD	Kullback–Leibler divergence / A metric to measure the distance between two distributions