

000 PAANO: PATCH-BASED REPRESENTATION LEARNING 001 002 FOR TIME-SERIES ANOMALY DETECTION 003 004

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007 008 ABSTRACT 009

011 Although recent studies on time-series anomaly detection have increasingly
012 adopted ever-larger neural network architectures such as Transformers and Foun-
013 dation models, they incur high computational costs and memory usage, making
014 them impractical for real-time and resource-constrained scenarios. Moreover,
015 they often fail to demonstrate significant performance gains over simpler meth-
016 ods under rigorous evaluation protocols. In this study, we propose **Patch**-based
017 representation learning for time-series **Anomaly** detection (**PaAno**), a lightweight
018 yet effective method for fast and efficient time-series anomaly detection. PaAno
019 extracts short temporal patches from time-series training data and uses a 1D con-
020 volutional neural network to embed each patch into a vector representation. The
021 model is trained using a combination of triplet loss and pretext loss to ensure the
022 embeddings capture informative temporal patterns from input patches. During
023 inference, the anomaly score at each time step is computed by comparing the em-
024 beddings of its surrounding patches to those of normal patches extracted from the
025 training time-series. Evaluated on the TSB-AD benchmark, PaAno achieved state-
026 of-the-art performance, significantly outperforming existing methods, including
027 those based on heavy architectures, on both univariate and multivariate time-series
028 anomaly detection across various range-wise and point-wise performance mea-
029 sures. The source code is available at https://Anonymized_URL.
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031 1 INTRODUCTION

033 Time-series data, a collection of temporally ordered observations, are pervasive across a wide range
034 of domains, including industrial sensor measurements, financial market transactions, and healthcare
035 monitoring (Yue et al., 2022; Jia et al., 2024). A defining characteristic of time-series data is the pres-
036 ence of temporal dependencies among observations, shaped by the temporal context and underlying
037 system dynamics (Lai et al., 2018; Leung et al., 2023; Islam, 2024). However, these dependencies
038 can be disrupted by various factors such as system faults, external disturbances, or human errors.
039 Such anomalies may manifest as sudden spikes, abrupt drops, or sustained deviations in certain ob-
040 servations, as illustrated in Figure 1. *Time-Series Anomaly Detection* aims to identify time points
041 or segments within a sequence whose patterns deviate significantly from expected normal behav-
042 ior (Paparrizos et al., 2022; Zhou et al., 2023a; Sarfraz et al., 2024). Because these anomalies are
043 often indicative of underlying issues, accurate and timely detection is crucial for ensuring reliability
044 and safety in real-world applications.

045 Recent studies on time-series anomaly detection have introduced large-scale neural network archi-
046 tectures, such as Transformers (Xu et al., 2021; Tuli et al., 2022; Wu et al., 2022; Yue et al., 2024)
047 and Foundation models (Rasul et al., 2023; Zhou et al., 2023b; Goswami et al., 2024), aiming to
048 capture long-term temporal dependencies and cross-variable relationships effectively. Nevertheless,
049 Sarfraz et al. (2024) and Liu & Paparrizos (2024) have highlighted an illusion of progress in their
050 methods by revealing limitations in existing evaluation practices, including structural flaws in bench-
051 mark datasets and inadequate performance measures that rely on point adjustment or threshold tun-
052 ing. When evaluated under rigorous protocols designed to mitigate these issues, these sophisticated
053 large-scale neural network-based methods did not demonstrate significant advantages over simpler
methods (Sarfraz et al., 2024; Liu & Paparrizos, 2024). Moreover, the high computational cost and
memory usage further constrain their practicality in real-time or resource-constrained scenarios.

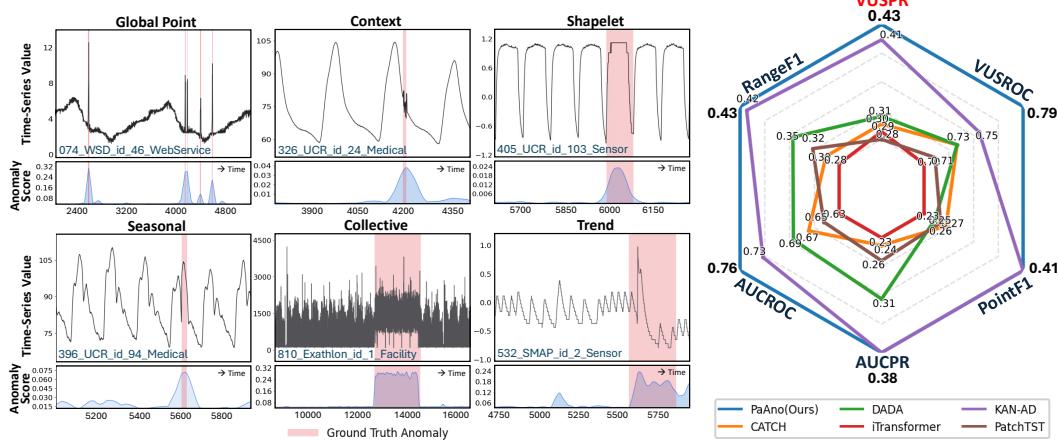


Figure 1: Illustrative results of PaAno, demonstrating strong capability in detecting diverse types of time-series anomalies. Datasets from TSB-AD-U (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024).

Figure 2: Anomaly detection performance of PaAno and recent methods on TSB-AD-M.

In this work, we propose **PaAno**, a lightweight time-series anomaly detection method based on patch-based representation learning. While recent studies on time-series anomaly detection have often relied on forecasting-based or reconstruction-based methods, representation-based methods remain relatively underexplored and only a limited subset of recent time-series representation learning studies has explicitly targeted anomaly detection (Zamanzadeh Darban et al., 2024). PaAno addresses this gap by introducing a patch-level embedding space tailored to capturing subtle deviations in time-series data while remaining invariant to small temporal shifts. Given a time-series training dataset consisting only of normal patterns, PaAno extracts short temporal segments, called *Patches*, by shifting a window one time step at a time. As the representation model, a compact 1D Convolutional Neural Network (1D-CNN) is used to embed these patches into vector representations. The model is trained with a learning objective that integrates metric learning and a self-supervised pretext task, encouraging the embedding vectors to be informative and discriminative with respect to temporal patterns in the input patches. After training, it constructs a memory bank as a set of embedding vectors representing core patches from the training dataset. During inference, the anomaly score at each time step is computed based on the distances between the embeddings of the surrounding patches and their closest embeddings in the memory bank. Since PaAno does not rely on large-scale or heavily tuned architectures, it is fast and efficient, and well-suited for real-time anomaly detection in resource-constrained environments. We evaluated the effectiveness of PaAno on the TSB-AD benchmark (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024) with performance measures that avoid point adjustment and threshold tuning to ensure accurate evaluation. PaAno consistently outperformed existing methods across all measures.

Our main contributions are summarized as follows:

- PaAno introduces a novel representation-based framework that constructs a discriminative patch-level embedding space tailored for time-series anomaly detection.
- PaAno uses a lightweight 1D-CNN model, enabling fast and efficient time-series anomaly detection compared to recent methods that rely on heavy neural network architectures.
- PaAno consistently achieves state-of-the-art results on both univariate and multivariate time-series anomaly detection tasks across both range-wise and point-wise performance measures.
- PaAno shows high robustness to hyperparameter configurations, indicating that it does not require extensive hyperparameter tuning.

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2 RELATED WORK

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2.1 TIME-SERIES ANOMALY DETECTION

110 Time-series anomaly detection is formulated as learning from a time-series training dataset $\mathbf{X} =$
 111 $(\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)$ consisting of N sequential observations, where $\mathbf{x}_t \in \mathbb{R}^d$ represents the observation at
 112 time step t , to predict whether a query observation \mathbf{x}_{t_*} is anomalous. If each observation contains
 113 only a single variable (*i.e.*, $d = 1$), the task is referred to as univariate time-series anomaly detection.
 114 If there is more than one variable (*i.e.*, $d > 1$), it is called multivariate time-series anomaly detection,
 115 where detection relies on the dependencies among multiple variables across time steps. Time-series
 116 anomaly detection is typically categorized into three paradigms based on the availability of labels
 117 in the training dataset (Choi et al., 2021; Boniol et al., 2024; Zamanzadeh Darban et al., 2024):
 118 unsupervised, semi-supervised, and supervised. In the unsupervised setting, the training dataset
 119 is unlabeled, and there is no explicit distinction between normal and anomalous observations. In
 120 the semi-supervised setting, only normal observations are present in the training dataset. In the
 121 supervised setting, the training dataset contains both normal and anomalous observations.
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123 In this study, we focus on semi-supervised time-series anomaly detection, which is widely regarded
 124 as practical for real-world applications where labeled anomalies are extremely scarce and costly
 125 to obtain. Time-series training dataset $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)$ is assumed to consist solely of normal
 126 observations. The objective is to learn a model from the training dataset \mathbf{X} to detect anomalies in
 127 query observations \mathbf{x}_{t_*} . At each time step t_* , the model produces an anomaly score $s_{t_*} \in \mathbb{R}$, with a
 128 higher score indicating a greater likelihood that the corresponding observation \mathbf{x}_{t_*} is anomalous.
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2.2 TIME-SERIES ANOMALY DETECTION METHODS

131 A wide range of methods have been proposed for time-series anomaly detection, spanning from
 132 classical statistical techniques to modern deep learning architectures (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024). We
 133 categorize existing methods into three groups based on the model architecture used: statistical and
 134 machine learning, neural network-based, and Transformer-based methods. Our proposed method
 135 PaAno belongs to the category of neural network-based methods. PaAno enables fast and efficient
 136 anomaly detection by utilizing a lightweight 1D-CNN.
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138 **Statistical and Machine Learning Methods** Methods in this category use statistical assumption
 139 or traditional machine learning algorithms to detect anomalies. Most of these methods were
 140 originally designed for point-wise anomaly detection in non-time-series data. They can be further
 141 categorized into four sub-groups. First, density-based methods detect points or segments that lie in
 142 low-density regions or deviate from estimated underlying distributions, including COPOD (Li et al.,
 143 2020), LOF (Breunig et al., 2000), KNN (Ramaswamy et al., 2000), and Matrix Profile (Yeh et al.,
 144 2016). Second, boundary-based methods find decision boundaries that separate normal and anomalous
 145 data, including OCSVM (Schölkopf et al., 1999), IForest (Liu et al., 2008), and EIF (Hariri et al.,
 146 2019). Third, reconstruction-based methods reconstruct the expected normal data and detect
 147 anomalies via residual errors. PCA (Aggarwal, 2017), RobustPCA (Paffenroth et al., 2018), and SR
 148 (Ren et al., 2019) employ dimensionality reduction. DLinear and NLinear (Zeng et al.,
 149 2023) use trend–remainder decomposition with a temporal linear layer for reconstruction. Fourth,
 150 clustering-based methods detect anomalies as deviations from learned cluster structures, including
 151 KMeansAD (Yairi et al., 2001), CBLOF (He et al., 2003), KShapeAD (Paparrizos & Gravano, 2015;
 152 2017), Series2Graph (Boniol & Palpanas, 2020), and SAND (Boniol et al., 2021).

153 Additionally, some of these methods have extensions designed for fixed-length segments and we
 154 denoted those with the prefix “(Sub)” (*e.g.*, (Sub)-PCA, (Sub)-KNN), following the practices in
 155 TSB-AD (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024).

156 **Neural Network-Based Methods** This category comprises conventional, non-Transformer neural
 157 network architectures for time-series anomaly detection. Multi-Layer Perceptron (MLP)-based
 158 methods detect anomalies through reconstruction errors, including AutoEncoder (Sakurada & Yairi,
 159 2014), USAD (Audibert et al., 2020), and Donut (Xu et al., 2018). Recurrent neural network (RNN)-
 160 based methods explicitly model sequences in time-series data to capture temporal dependencies,
 161 including LSTMAD (Malhotra et al., 2015) and OmniAnomaly (Su et al., 2019). CNN-based meth-

ods utilize convolutional architectures to extract temporal features from time series, including DeepAnT (Munir et al., 2018) and TimesNet (Wu et al., 2022). FITS (Xu et al., 2023) processes time series by interpolation in the complex frequency domain. **DADA** (Shentu et al., 2025) learns robust representations through adaptive information bottlenecks and dual adversarial decoders, enabling zero-shot anomaly detection across multi-domain time-series. **KAN-AD** (Zhou et al., 2025) re-formulates time-series modeling via Fourier enhanced Kolmogorov–Arnold networks, achieving highly smooth normal pattern approximation with minimal parameters for efficient anomaly detection.

Transformer-Based Methods Transformer architectures have been increasingly adopted to better capture long-range dependencies in time-series data. AnomalyTransformer (Xu et al., 2021) and TranAD (Tuli et al., 2022) compute anomaly scores based on attention discrepancies. DCdetector (Yang et al., 2023) employs dual attention with contrastive learning and CATCH (Wu et al., 2025) applies frequency patching with a channel fusion module. PatchTST (Nie et al., 2023) tokenizes subseries-level patches with channel-independent weights. iTransformer (Liu et al., 2024) adopts an inverted view that swaps time and variable dimensions.

Foundation models, pretrained on large-scale time-series data, are adopted in time-series anomaly detection to enable zero-shot and few-shot detection capabilities. Chronos (Ansari et al., 2024) and **MOMENT** (Goswami et al., 2024) based on T5-style encoder-decoder architectures. LagLlama (Rasul et al., 2023), TimesFM (Das et al., 2024), and OFA (Zhou et al., 2023b) utilize decoder-only Transformer architectures.

2.3 ISSUES IN EVALUATION PRACTICES

Recent studies on time-series anomaly detection have often adopted evaluation protocols that introduce systematic biases, undermining the validity of reported results. First, several commonly used benchmark datasets suffer from structural flaws (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024). These include labeling inconsistencies, where some anomaly-labeled observations are indistinguishable from normal patterns, and unrealistic assumptions about anomaly distributions, such as restricting anomalies to appear only once or at the end of a time series. Second, the conventional use of performance measures that rely on point adjustment and threshold tuning can misleadingly inflate scores and hinder fair comparison across methods (Sarfraz et al., 2024; Bhattacharya et al., 2024; Paparrizos et al., 2022; Liu & Paparrizos, 2024).

To address these issues, we adopt the TSB-AD benchmark (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024), which mitigates dataset-related flaws by correcting labeling inconsistencies and modeling anomalies under more realistic assumptions. In addition, we completely remove point adjustment from the evaluation protocol and include four threshold-independent measures, thereby eliminating biases from miscellaneous convention. Further discussions of evaluation measures are provided in Appendix C.

3 PROPOSED METHOD

3.1 OVERVIEW

Local Temporal Dependencies Recent Transformer models have strengths in modeling long-term temporal dependencies by processing long time-series jointly (Zamanzadeh Darban et al., 2024; Liu et al., 2024; Wu et al., 2025). However, anomaly detection in time series often relies on localized patterns within short intervals. Time-series are typically strongly correlated with their immediate neighbors but only weakly related to distant points, with this tendency particularly pronounced around anomalies (Xu et al., 2021; Yue et al., 2024). **Using Transformers with global self-attention** for modeling long sequences can dilute local temporal dependencies, as the mechanism is inherently locality-agnostic, leading to insensitivity to local context (Li et al., 2019; 2023; Oliveira & Ramos, 2024). Consequently, these models often struggle to capture the fine-grained local dynamics in shorter subsequences that are crucial for time-series anomaly detection, particularly for detecting point or contextual anomalies.

Patch-Based Formulation To enable accurate and efficient anomaly detection, we introduce an inductive bias toward locality in PaAno. Our method PaAno is motivated by recent advances in visual anomaly detection that leverage patch-based representation learning (Defard et al., 2021; Yi &

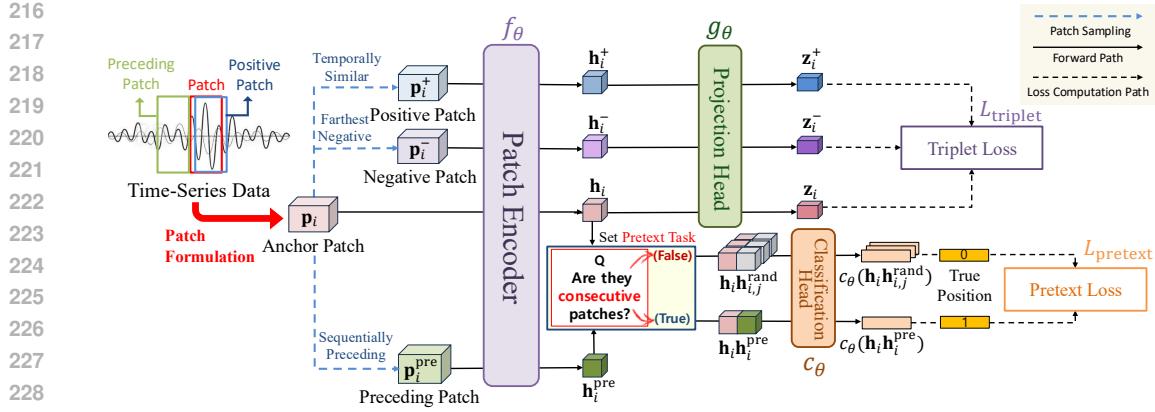


Figure 3: Training procedure of PaAno. The training dataset is split into patches. Using the patch set, three model components—a patch encoder, a projection head, and a classification head—are trained with the training objective that consists of two losses. Triplet loss encourages temporally similar patches to have closer embeddings in the projected space, and pretext loss guides the patch encoder to learn temporal relationships by predicting whether two patches are consecutive.

Yoon, 2020; Roth et al., 2022; Yoon et al., 2023). These methods have shown superior performance on benchmark datasets such as MVTec-AD (Bergmann et al., 2019), where normal images within the same class exhibit highly consistent and repetitive spatial patterns, while anomalies disrupt these regularities.

We observe that time-series often exhibit analogous characteristics. Normal time-series display repetitive temporal patterns and strong local dependencies, whereas anomalies typically break such short-range regularities. PaAno aims to precisely capture these temporal dynamics through patch-based representation learning. Given a training sequence \mathbf{X} , we extract overlapping fixed-length subsequences, referred to as patches, of window size w using a unit-stride sliding window, yielding $\mathcal{P} = \{\mathbf{p}_t\}_{t=1}^{N-w+1}$ where $\mathbf{p}_t = (\mathbf{x}_t, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t+w-1})$. Patches serve as the fundamental units for anomaly detection. For each patch, we apply instance normalization (Kim et al., 2022b; Yang et al., 2023; Wu et al., 2025), which standardizes all channels within the patch to zero mean and unit variance. Reducing patch-level variability in mean and variance improves the stability of patch-level representations and increases robustness to distributional shifts such as regime changes or drift. To enrich patch embeddings, PaAno leverages the sequential continuity and temporal similarity across patches, which enable effective learning of local temporal dependencies essential for anomaly detection.

Figure 3 provides a schematic overview of PaAno, including its model architecture and training objective. The pseudocode of the training procedure is presented in Appendix A.

3.2 MODEL ARCHITECTURE

The model architecture of PaAno comprises three main components: a patch encoder f_θ , a projection head g_θ , and a classification head c_θ . The patch encoder f_θ is a 1D-CNN that embeds temporal patterns from the input patch $\mathbf{p} \in \mathbb{R}^{w \times d}$ into a vector representation $\mathbf{h} \in \mathbb{R}^l$. This patch-level embedding \mathbf{h} serves as the input to both the projection head g_θ and classification head c_θ . The projection head g_θ is an MLP that transforms \mathbf{h} into its projection \mathbf{z} . This projected embedding is used for metric learning, encouraging the encoder f_θ to extract features that are discriminative with respect to the temporal patterns in the input patch. The classification head c_θ is another MLP that takes the embeddings of two patches as inputs to predict whether they are temporally consecutive, thereby encouraging the encoder f_θ to capture sequential relationships among patches. Once the model is trained, only the patch encoder f_θ is retained for anomaly detection in future observations.

270 3.3 TRAINING OBJECTIVE
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272 Given a minibatch $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^M$ sampled from the patch set \mathcal{P} at each training iteration, the training
273 objective for patch-based representation learning combines two loss functions: a triplet loss $\mathcal{L}_{\text{triplet}}$
274 and a pretext loss $\mathcal{L}_{\text{pretext}}$. The overall training objective is given by:

$$275 \quad \mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{triplet}} + \lambda \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{pretext}}, \quad (1)$$

276 where the weight λ controls the contribution of the pretext loss $\mathcal{L}_{\text{pretext}}$. Details of each loss function
277 are described below.

279 **Triplet Loss** The triplet loss is a loss function introduced in deep metric learning to learn an
280 embedding space where an anchor example is closer to a positive example than to a negative one by
281 a specified margin (Schroff et al., 2015). To promote the patch encoder f_θ to extract embeddings
282 that capture temporal patterns in the input patches, we adopt triplet loss so that patches with similar
283 temporal patterns are embedded close together, while those with dissimilar patterns are pushed apart.

284 For each patch $\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{B}$ as the anchor, the positive patch \mathbf{p}_i^+ is obtained by randomly shifting the
285 anchor \mathbf{p}_i within r time steps, excluding zero shift. This ensures that the anchor and positive patches
286 exhibit similar temporal patterns. We define the negative patch \mathbf{p}_i^- as the farthest negative, chosen
287 as the patch in the minibatch \mathcal{B} that has the largest cosine distance to \mathbf{p}_i in the embedding space,
288 (i.e., $\mathbf{p}_j \in \mathcal{B} \setminus \{\mathbf{p}_i\}$ that maximizes $\text{dist}(f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_i), f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_j))$). After the patches \mathbf{p}_i , \mathbf{p}_i^+ , and \mathbf{p}_i^- are
289 encoded and projected into \mathbf{z}_i , \mathbf{z}_i^+ , and \mathbf{z}_i^- through the encoder f_θ and projection head g_θ , the loss
290 $\mathcal{L}_{\text{triplet}}$ is computed as:

$$291 \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{triplet}} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \max (0, \text{dist}(\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{z}_i^+) - \text{dist}(\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{z}_i^-) + \delta), \quad (2)$$

294 where δ is the margin hyperparameter that denotes the minimum distance the anchor must be closer
295 to the positive than to the negative and M is size of minibatch. Minimizing $\mathcal{L}_{\text{triplet}}$ encourages the
296 anchor to be closer to the positive patch than to the negative patch in the embedding space, thereby
297 making the embedding space robust to small temporal shifts while remaining sensitive to meaningful
298 differences. We expect this to produce well-organized clusters of normal patches, with unseen future
299 anomalous patches lying far from them and thus being effectively identified.

300 **Pretext Loss** The pretext loss is inspired by Yi & Yoon (2020)'s study on visual anomaly detection
301 based on patch-based representation learning, where the training objective includes a patch-level
302 classification task to predict the relative positions of image patches. This pretext task enhances patch
303 embeddings by promoting spatial awareness. We adapt this idea to time-series data by formulating a
304 patch-level classification task that predicts whether two patches are temporally consecutive, thereby
305 guiding the patch encoder f_θ to better capture temporal relationships among patches.

306 For each anchor patch $\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{B}$, we select the preceding patch $\mathbf{p}_i^{\text{pre}}$ that is exactly w time steps
307 ahead, such that it is temporally preceding to the anchor \mathbf{p}_i . We also draw U random patches,
308 $\mathbf{p}_{i,1}^{\text{rand}}, \dots, \mathbf{p}_{i,U}^{\text{rand}}$ from $\mathcal{B} \setminus \{\mathbf{p}_i\}$. The classification head c_θ takes a pair of patch embeddings as input
309 and outputs the probability estimate indicating whether the two patches are temporally consecutive.
310 After obtaining the embeddings for \mathbf{p}_i , $\mathbf{p}_i^{\text{pre}}$, and $\mathbf{p}_{i,j}^{\text{rand}}$ using the encoder f_θ , the loss $\mathcal{L}_{\text{pretext}}$ is
311 computed as:

$$312 \quad \mathcal{L}_{\text{pretext}} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \left[-\log c_\theta(\mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{h}_i^{\text{pre}}) - \frac{1}{U} \sum_{j=1}^U \log(1 - c_\theta(\mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{h}_{i,j}^{\text{rand}})) \right]. \quad (3)$$

315 Minimizing $\mathcal{L}_{\text{pretext}}$ encourages the classification head c_θ to assign a high probability to a pair con-
316 sisting of an anchor patch and its preceding patch, and a low probability to a pair consisting of an
317 anchor patch and a random patch. This loss is applied only during the early stage of training to
318 expedite the learning of temporal relationships among patches, thereby stabilizing representation
319 learning when the embedding space is not yet structured.

321 3.4 MEMORY BANK
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323 After training, the patch encoder f_θ forms a embedding space where similar normal patches are
324 tightly grouped, while distinct normal patterns occupy different regions of the space. A memory

bank \mathcal{M} is constructed as the set of embeddings of patches $\mathbf{p}_t \in \mathcal{P}$ obtained using f_θ :

$$\mathcal{M} = \{f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_t) \mid \mathbf{p}_t \in \mathcal{P}\}. \quad (4)$$

For anomaly detection, it serves as a collection of cohesive clusters of normal patches present in the training dataset \mathbf{X} , providing a clear reference for identifying anomalies in future observations.

A practical consideration is that the memory bank \mathcal{M} grows with the size of the training dataset \mathbf{X} , leading to increased computational costs and storage requirements for anomaly detection (Yi & Yoon, 2020; Roth et al., 2022). To address this, we apply coresnet subsampling to reduce the size of \mathcal{M} . We perform K -means clustering on \mathcal{M} to derive K clusters. For each i -th cluster, we select the vector $\mathbf{m}_i \in \mathcal{M}$ that is closest to its centroid. The resulting K representative vectors, denoted by $\mathbf{m}_1, \dots, \mathbf{m}_K$, are used to construct a reduced memory bank $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$:

$$\hat{\mathcal{M}} = \{\mathbf{m}_i\}_{i=1}^K. \quad (5)$$

This reduction preserves representative coverage of the original memory bank while significantly reducing its size, thereby enhancing the efficiency of anomaly detection.

3.5 ANOMALY DETECTION

During inference, the patch encoder f_θ and reduced memory bank $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$ are used to compute the anomaly score s_{t^*} for a query time step t^* .

We first compute patch-level anomaly scores for the patches that include the query time step t^* . Let $\mathcal{P}_{t^*} = \{\mathbf{p}_t\}_{t=t^*-w+1}^{t^*}$ denote the set of these patches, where each patch $\mathbf{p}_t = (\mathbf{x}_t, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t+w-1})$ is a collection of the w most recent observations starting at time step t . Each patch $\mathbf{p}_t \in \mathcal{P}_{t^*}$ is embedded using the encoder f_θ as $f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_t)$. This embedding

is then compared to the vectors in the memory bank $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$ for anomaly scoring. Specifically, the k nearest neighbors in terms of cosine distance are retrieved from $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$, denoted by $\mathbf{m}_t^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{m}_t^{(k)}$. The patch-level anomaly score for \mathbf{p}_t , denoted $S(\mathbf{p}_t)$, is computed as:

$$S(\mathbf{p}_t) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \text{dist}(f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_t), \mathbf{m}_t^{(i)}). \quad (6)$$

This score reflects how dissimilar the patch \mathbf{p}_t is from the normal patterns learned from the training dataset \mathbf{X} . For an anomalous patch, its embedding fails to align with any clusters of normal patches in the memory bank, resulting in a high anomaly score.

The final anomaly score for the query time step t^* , denoted s_{t^*} , is obtained by averaging the patch-level scores of all patches in \mathcal{P}_{t^*} :

$$s_{t^*} = \frac{1}{|\mathcal{P}_{t^*}|} \sum_{\mathbf{p}_t \in \mathcal{P}_{t^*}} S(\mathbf{p}_t). \quad (7)$$

The anomaly score s_{t^*} reflects the temporal context across the surrounding patches. A higher value of s_{t^*} means that the behavior around the time step t^* is substantially different from those observed in the training dataset \mathbf{X} , and is thus indicative of a potential anomaly. Figure 4 illustrates the anomaly detection procedure of PaAno, and its pseudocode is fully provided in Appendix A.

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4 EXPERIMENTS

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4.1 EXPERIMENTAL SETTINGS

382 **TSB-AD Benchmark** We used the
 383 datasets provided by the TSB-AD
 384 benchmark (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024),
 385 which were specifically curated to ad-
 386 dress critical limitations in existing
 387 evaluation practices for time-series
 388 anomaly detection. The summary
 389 statistics are presented in Table 1.

390 Figure 1 shows examples of the time-series datasets. The datasets are categorized into two groups
 391 based on the number of variables: TSB-AD-U for univariate and TSB-AD-M for multivariate time
 392 series. Each group is further divided into a "Tuning" set for hyperparameter optimization and an
 393 "Eval" set for performance evaluation. Additionally, each time series has a predefined split point,
 394 where the preceding segment is designated for the training dataset.

395 **Implementation Details** The patch encoder f_θ was a 1D-CNN consisting of four 1D convolu-
 396 tional layers followed by global average pooling layer with output size 64. The projection head g_θ
 397 was a two-layer MLP with dimensionality of 256 and the classification head c_θ was a single-layer
 398 MLP. The model was trained for 200 iterations using the AdamW optimizer with a minibatch size
 399 M of 512 and a weight decay of $1e-4$. The pretext loss weight λ was linear decayed from 1 to 0
 400 during the first 20 iterations and fixed at 0 thereafter. The memory bank size was set to 10% of the
 401 original patch set \mathcal{P} . The number of nearest neighbors k in the anomaly scoring function was set to
 402 3. Each experiment was repeated 10 times with different random seeds, and the average results are
 403 reported. Further details of implementation are described in Appendix B.

404 **Baseline Methods** The TSB-AD benchmark provides a comprehensive comparison across a total
 405 of 40 baseline methods, including 25 statistical and machine learning methods, 8 neural network-
 406 based methods, and 7 Transformer-based methods. We additionally include 8 methods for further
 407 comparison with recent advances: PatchTST (Nie et al., 2023), DLinear (Zeng et al., 2023), NLinear
 408 (Zeng et al., 2023), DCdetector (Yang et al., 2023), iTransformer (Liu et al., 2024), CATCH (Wu
 409 et al., 2025), KAN-AD (Zhou et al., 2025), and DADA (Shentu et al., 2025). Among a total of 48
 410 baseline methods, 39 are applicable to univariate time-series anomaly detection and 31 to multivari-
 411 ate time-series anomaly detection. The hyperparameters of all baseline methods were tuned in the
 412 same way as for the proposed method. The search spaces used are provided in Appendix B.

413 **Performance Measures** For a reliable and comprehensive evaluation, we employed three range-
 414 wise and three point-wise measures, respectively. The range-wise measures comprise the VUS-ROC
 415 and VUS-PR (Paparrizos et al., 2022; Liu & Paparrizos, 2024; Boniol et al., 2025), together with
 416 the Range-wise F1 score (Range-F1). As point-wise measures, we adopt AUC-PR, AUC-ROC, and
 417 Point-F1. Following the TSB-AD (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024), VUS-PR was regarded as the primary
 418 evaluation measure, while the others were used as complementary measures. Detailed definitions of
 419 the measures are presented in Appendix C.

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4.2 RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

423 **Anomaly Detection Results** Tables 2 and 3 summarize the performance of the proposed method
 424 and competitive baselines on the univariate (TSB-AD-U) and multivariate (TSB-AD-M) datasets
 425 from the TSB-AD benchmark. We report the top-2 performing methods based on VUS-PR, along
 426 with those published within the past 4 years (since 2022) for category except for Transformers. The
 427 full experimental results and statistical tests for all compared methods are provided in Appendix E.

428 In univariate time-series anomaly detection (Table 2), PaAno ranked first across all six performance
 429 measures, outperforming all baseline methods. The qualitative results in Figure 1 show that PaAno
 430 effectively captures diverse types of anomalies, ranging from abrupt point anomalies to contextual
 431 anomaly segments. **Among the baselines, KAN-AD, which belongs to the neural network-based**
methods, achieved the second-best results across all six measures. Statistical and machine learning

432 Table 2: Experimental results on **univariate time-series anomaly detection** in TSB-AD-U. For
 433 each measure, the best and second-best values are indicated in **bold** and underlined. All scores are
 434 reported with their rankings as “Score/Rank”.

436	437	Method	Range-Wise Measure \uparrow			Point-Wise Measure \uparrow			Computational Cost \downarrow	
			VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1	# Params	Run Time
438	439	(Sub)-PCA (2017)	0.42 _{/3}	0.76 _{/9}	0.41 _{/3}	0.37 _{/3}	0.71 _{/11}	0.42 _{/3}	—	1.5s
		KShapeAD (2017)	0.40 _{/4}	0.76 _{/9}	0.40 _{/4}	0.35 _{/4}	0.74 _{/5}	0.39 _{/4}	—	8.0s
		DLinear (2023)	0.25 _{/20+}	0.74 _{/19}	0.22 _{/20+}	0.21 _{/20+}	0.62 _{/20+}	0.26 _{/20+}	< 0.1M	2.9s
		NLinear (2023)	0.23 _{/20+}	0.72 _{/20+}	0.20 _{/20+}	0.18 _{/20+}	0.62 _{/20+}	0.23 _{/20+}	< 0.1M	5.8s
440	441	DeepAnT (2018)	0.34 _{/13}	0.79 _{/5}	0.35 _{/9}	0.33 _{/5}	0.71 _{/11}	0.38 _{/5}	< 0.1M	2.0s
		USAD (2020)	0.36 _{/10}	0.71 _{/20+}	0.40 _{/4}	0.32 _{/7}	0.66 _{/20+}	0.37 _{/8}	< 0.1M	1.7s
		TimesNet (2022)	0.26 _{/20+}	0.72 _{/20+}	0.21 _{/20+}	0.18 _{/20+}	0.61 _{/20+}	0.24 _{/20+}	< 0.1M	11.2s
		FITS (2023)	0.26 _{/20+}	0.73 _{/20+}	0.20 _{/20+}	0.17 _{/20+}	0.61 _{/20+}	0.23 _{/20+}	< 0.1M	3.1s
		DADA (2025)	0.31 _{/17}	0.77 _{/8}	0.31 _{/19}	0.29 _{/14}	0.71 _{/11}	0.38 _{/18}	1.84M	0.8s
		KAN-AD (2025)	0.43 _{/2}	0.82 _{/2}	0.43 _{/2}	0.41 _{/2}	0.80 _{/2}	0.44 _{/2}	< 0.1M	12.1s
442	443	AnomalyTransformer (2021)	0.12 _{/20+}	0.56 _{/20+}	0.14 _{/20+}	0.08 _{/20+}	0.50 _{/20+}	0.12 _{/20+}	4.8M	48.9s
		DCdetector (2023)	0.09 _{/20+}	0.56 _{/20+}	0.10 _{/20+}	0.05 _{/20+}	0.50 _{/20+}	0.10 _{/20+}	0.9M	5.8s
		Lag-Llama (2023)	0.27 _{/21}	0.72 _{/20+}	0.31 _{/19}	0.25 _{/20+}	0.65 _{/20+}	0.30 _{/20+}	2.5M	1220.8s
		OFA (2023b)	0.24 _{/20+}	0.71 _{/20+}	0.20 _{/20+}	0.16 _{/20+}	0.59 _{/20+}	0.22 _{/20+}	81.9M	171.1s
		PatchTST (2023)	0.26 _{/20+}	0.75 _{/17}	0.22 _{/20+}	0.21 _{/20+}	0.63 _{/20+}	0.25 _{/20+}	0.5M	26.3s
		iTransformer (2024)	0.22 _{/20+}	0.74 _{/19}	0.18 _{/20+}	0.16 _{/20+}	0.61 _{/20+}	0.21 _{/20+}	0.6M	9.8s
		MOMENT (FT) (2024)	0.39 _{/5}	0.76 _{/9}	0.35 _{/9}	0.30 _{/12}	0.69 _{/15}	0.35 _{/12}	109.6M	43.6s
		MOMENT (ZS) (2024)	0.38 _{/8}	0.75 _{/17}	0.36 _{/7}	0.30 _{/12}	0.68 _{/16}	0.35 _{/12}	109.6M	42.9s
		TimesFM (2024)	0.30 _{/18}	0.74 _{/19}	0.34 _{/14}	0.28 _{/17}	0.67 _{/19}	0.34 _{/16}	203.5M	83.8s
		PaAno (Ours)	0.52/1	0.89/1	0.48/1	0.46/1	0.86/1	0.51/1	0.3M	6.9s

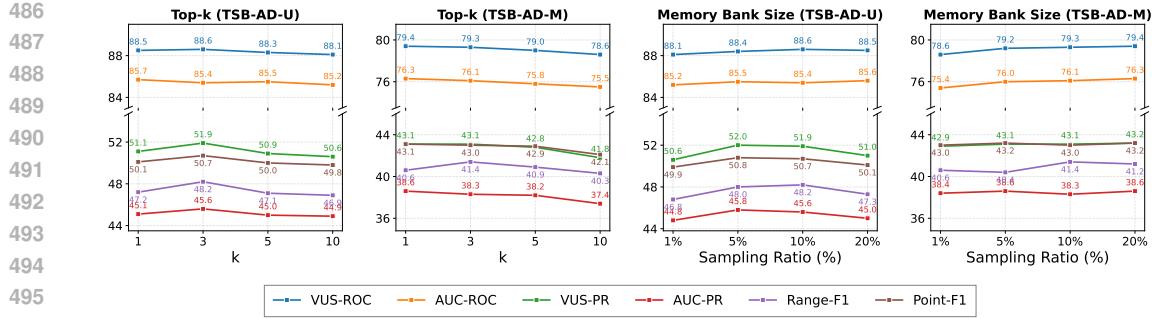
452 Table 3: Experimental results on **multivariate time-series anomaly detection** in TSB-AD-M. For
 453 each measure, the best and second-best values are indicated in **bold** and underlined. All scores are
 454 reported with their rankings as “Score/Rank”.

456	457	Method	Range-Wise Measure \uparrow			Point-Wise Measure \uparrow			Computational Cost \downarrow	
			VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1	# Params	Run Time
458	459	KMeansAD (2001)	0.29 _{/11}	0.73 _{/6}	0.33 _{/7}	0.25 _{/14}	0.69 _{/6}	0.31 _{/13}	—	62.0s
		PCA (2017)	0.31 _{/3}	0.74 _{/4}	0.29 _{/11}	0.31 _{/4}	0.70 _{/4}	0.37 _{/3}	—	0.1s
		DLinear (2023)	0.29 _{/11}	0.70 _{/12}	0.26 _{/15}	0.27 _{/9}	0.66 _{/12}	0.32 _{/9}	< 0.1M	14.8s
		NLinear (2023)	0.29 _{/11}	0.70 _{/12}	0.28 _{/12}	0.24 _{/15}	0.65 _{/14}	0.31 _{/13}	< 0.1M	15.0s
460	461	DeepAnT (2018)	0.31 _{/3}	0.76 _{/2}	0.37 _{/4}	0.32 _{/3}	0.73 _{/2}	0.37 _{/3}	< 0.1M	9.5s
		OmniAnomaly (2019)	0.31 _{/3}	0.69 _{/16}	0.37 _{/4}	0.27 _{/9}	0.65 _{/14}	0.32 _{/9}	< 0.1M	9.1s
		TimesNet (2022)	0.19 _{/20+}	0.64 _{/20+}	0.17 _{/20+}	0.13 _{/20+}	0.56 _{/20+}	0.20 _{/20+}	< 0.1M	52.1s
		FITS (2023)	0.21 _{/21}	0.66 _{/20+}	0.16 _{/20+}	0.15 _{/20+}	0.58 _{/20+}	0.22 _{/20+}	< 0.1M	16.7s
		DADA (2025)	0.31 _{/3}	0.73 _{/6}	0.25 _{/18}	0.31 _{/4}	0.69 _{/6}	0.35 _{/6}	1.84M	2.1s
		KAN-AD (2025)	0.41 _{/1}	0.75 _{/3}	0.41/1	0.38/1	0.73 _{/2}	0.42/2	< 0.1M	31.9s
462	463	AnomalyTransformer (2021)	0.12 _{/20+}	0.57 _{/20+}	0.14 _{/20+}	0.07 _{/20+}	0.52 _{/20+}	0.12 _{/20+}	4.8M	55.8s
		PatchTST (2023)	0.28 _{/15}	0.71 _{/9}	0.26 _{/15}	0.26 _{/12}	0.65 _{/14}	0.32 _{/9}	0.5M	66.9s
		OFA (2023b)	0.21 _{/20+}	0.63 _{/20+}	0.17 _{/20+}	0.15 _{/20+}	0.55 _{/20+}	0.21 _{/20+}	81.9M	532.9s
		DCdetector (2023)	0.10 _{/20+}	0.56 _{/20+}	0.10 _{/20+}	0.06 _{/20+}	0.50 _{/20+}	0.10 _{/20+}	0.9M	15.0s
		iTransformer (2024)	0.29 _{/11}	0.70 _{/12}	0.23 _{/20+}	0.23 _{/18}	0.63 _{/20+}	0.28 _{/18}	0.6M	24.4s
		CATCH (2025)	0.30 _{/8}	0.73 _{/6}	0.27 _{/14}	0.24 _{/15}	0.67 _{/8}	0.30 _{/16}	210.8M	40.1s
464	465	PaAno (Ours)	0.43/1	0.79/1	0.41/1	0.38/1	0.76/1	0.43/1	0.3M	12.8s

471 methods overall achieved competitive performance relative to those in the other categories, despite
 472 their simplicity. Particularly, (Sub)-PCA recorded modest scores for four measures including VUS-
 473 PR. Transformer-based methods showed relatively low performance despite their heavier architec-
 474 tures.

475 In multivariate time-series anomaly detection (Table 3), PaAno again ranked first across all six per-
 476 formance measures. Among the baselines, several neural network-based methods showed superior
 477 performance to other methods. KAN-AD achieved the second-best VUS-PR score, while DADA,
 478 DeepAnT and OmniAnomaly ranked third. Among statistical and machine learning methods, PCA
 479 also ranked third in VUS-PR. Transformer-based methods again showed relatively low performance.
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481 **Discussion** The results show that introducing an inductive bias toward locality and explicitly mod-
 482 eling short-range temporal dependencies was highly effective and efficient for time-series anomaly
 483 detection. Rather than focusing on the processing time-series in a sequential manner, PaAno treats
 484 them as collections of temporally structured patches, enabling it to capture even subtle deviations
 485 from normal patterns and thereby achieve superior performance in anomaly detection.

Figure 5: Sensitivity analysis on Top- k and memory bank size of PaAno across TSB-AD-U/M.

In practical deployments, the patterns of normal data may change over time. PaAno can address this with a simple online update of the memory bank without requiring model retraining. By constructing the memory bank as a queue that inserts recent normal patch embeddings and discards old ones, it continually reflects up-to-date normal patterns and remains robust to non-stationary normal regimes.

Sensitivity Analysis We conducted a comprehensive ablation study to assess the contribution of each component in PaAno. Some important results are summarized in Table 4. Removing instance normalization and excluding either the triplet or pretext loss from the training objective lead to a substantial drop in performance, indicating that each component contributes to the effectiveness of PaAno. The triplet loss, with the farthest patch in the embedding space used as the negative pair, consistently outperforms InfoNCE and other variants. While the pretext loss in PaAno is applied only during the early stage of training, altering its scheduling to use it in the later stage degrades performance and increases computational cost. A detailed analysis of the ablation study is provided in Appendix D.

We also demonstrate that PaAno is robust to its hyperparameters, as it maintains stable performance across different settings. Figure 5 shows the results obtained by varying the memory bank size and the number of nearest neighbors used in anomaly scoring. PaAno further shows robustness to other hyperparameters, including the patch encoder architecture, loss weight, patch size and minibatch size. Full results are reported in Appendix D.

Run Time We measured the average run time of each method across the datasets within each benchmark. As shown in Tables 2 and 3, PaAno showed highly competitive run time, highlighting its practical efficiency for real-time applications. While majority of recent Transformer-based baselines required significantly longer run times due to their heavy architectures and resource demands, PaAno was substantially faster with superior performances. Detailed results are provided in Appendix E.

5 CONCLUSION

We proposed PaAno, a simple yet effective method for fast and efficient time-series anomaly detection. Instead of relying on heavy model architectures, PaAno employs a lightweight 1D-CNN to map time-series patches into vector embeddings and leverages patch-based representation learning through metric learning and a pretext task. We evaluated PaAno on the TSB-AD benchmark, which offers a rigorous evaluation protocol with performance measures that exclude point adjustment and threshold tuning. PaAno consistently achieved state-of-the-art performance compared to existing methods in both univariate and multivariate anomaly detection. Its architectural simplicity and computational efficiency make it well-suited for actual deployment in real-world industrial applications.

540 ETHICS STATEMENT
541542 This work solely proposes a time-series anomaly detection method. It does not involve any human
543 subjects or personally identifiable information, and we consider the risk of misuse of this work to be
544 low.
545546 REPRODUCIBILITY STATEMENT
547548 Our code is fully included in the submitted source files. To aid reproducibility, all hyperparameters
549 and environmental details used in this paper are provided in Appendix B. All search space for other
550 compared methods are also fully provided in Appendix B. All datasets used in this study are publicly
551 accessible, and all information about them is contained in this paper.
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810 A PSEUDOCODE
811812 Algorithm 1 presents the pseudocode of the training procedure. Algorithm 2 presents the pseu-
813 docode of the anomaly detection.
814815 **Algorithm 1** Training Procedure of PaAno
816817 **Input:** Time-series training dataset $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N)$
818 **Output:** Trained patch encoder f_θ

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1:  $\mathcal{P} \leftarrow \{\mathbf{p}_t = (\mathbf{x}_t, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t+w-1})\}_{t=1}^{N-w+1}$ 
2:  $f_\theta \leftarrow$  initialize patch encoder
3:  $g_\theta \leftarrow$  initialize projection head
4:  $c_\theta \leftarrow$  initialize classification head
5: for iteration = 1 to  $T_{\text{iter}}$  do
6:   Sample minibatch  $\mathcal{B} = \{\mathbf{p}_i\}_{i=1}^M$  from  $\mathcal{P}$ 
7:   for each anchor patch  $\mathbf{p}_i \in \mathcal{B}$  do
8:      $\mathbf{h}_i \leftarrow f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_i)$ 
9:      $\mathbf{z}_i \leftarrow g_\theta(\mathbf{h}_i)$ 
10:     $\mathbf{p}_i^+ \leftarrow$  positive patch of  $\mathbf{p}_i$  from  $\mathcal{P}$ 
11:     $\mathbf{p}_i^- \leftarrow$  farthest negative patch of  $\mathbf{p}_i$  from  $\mathcal{B} \setminus \{\mathbf{p}_i\}$ 
12:     $\mathbf{z}_i^+ \leftarrow g_\theta(f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_i^+))$ 
13:     $\mathbf{z}_i^- \leftarrow g_\theta(f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_i^-))$ 
14:     $\mathbf{p}_i^{\text{pre}} \leftarrow$  preceding patch of  $\mathbf{p}_i$  from  $\mathcal{P}$ 
15:     $\{\mathbf{p}_{i,j}^{\text{rand}}\}_{j=1}^U \leftarrow U$  random patches from  $\mathcal{B} \setminus \{\mathbf{p}_i\}$ 
16:     $\mathbf{h}_i^{\text{pre}} \leftarrow f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_i^{\text{pre}})$ 
17:     $\mathbf{h}_{i,j}^{\text{rand}} \leftarrow f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_{i,j}^{\text{rand}}), \forall j \in \{1, \dots, U\}$ 
18:  end for
19:   $\mathcal{L}_{\text{tri}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \max(0, \text{dist}(\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{z}_i^+) - \text{dist}(\mathbf{z}_i, \mathbf{z}_i^-) + \delta)$ 
20:   $\mathcal{L}_{\text{pre}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^M \left[ -\log c_\theta(\mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{h}_i^{\text{pre}}) - \frac{1}{U} \sum_{j=1}^U \log(1 - c_\theta(\mathbf{h}_i, \mathbf{h}_{i,j}^{\text{rand}})) \right]$ 
21:  Update  $f_\theta$ ,  $g_\theta$ , and  $c_\theta$  to minimize  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{tri}} + \lambda \cdot \mathcal{L}_{\text{pre}}$ 
22: end for
23: return  $f_\theta$ 

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841 **Algorithm 2** Anomaly Detection Procedure of PaAno
842843 **Input:** Trained patch encoder f_θ , Reduced memory bank $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$, Time-series dataset $\mathbf{X}^{\text{test}} = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{N'})$
844 **Output:** Anomaly scores $\{s_{t_*}\}_{t_*=1}^{N'}$

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1: for  $t_* = 1$  to  $N'$  do
2:    $\mathcal{P}_{t_*} \leftarrow \{\mathbf{p}_t = (\mathbf{x}_t, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{t+w-1}) \mid t = t_* - w + 1, \dots, t_*\}$ 
3:    $\mathcal{S}_{t_*} \leftarrow \emptyset$ 
4:   for each  $\mathbf{p}_t \in \mathcal{P}_{t_*}$  do
5:      $\mathbf{h}_t \leftarrow f_\theta(\mathbf{p}_t)$ 
6:      $\{\mathbf{m}_t^{(1)}, \dots, \mathbf{m}_t^{(k)}\} \leftarrow$  select the  $k$  nearest neighbors of  $\mathbf{h}_t$  in cosine distance from  $\hat{\mathcal{M}}$ 
7:      $S(\mathbf{p}_t) \leftarrow \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \text{dist}(\mathbf{h}_t, \mathbf{m}_t^{(i)})$ 
8:      $\mathcal{S}_{t_*} \leftarrow \mathcal{S}_{t_*} \cup \{S(\mathbf{p}_t)\}$ 
9:   end for
10:   $s_{t_*} \leftarrow \frac{1}{|\mathcal{P}_{t_*}|} \sum_{S(\mathbf{p}_t) \in \mathcal{S}_{t_*}} S(\mathbf{p}_t)$ 
11: end for
12: return  $\{s_{t_*}\}_{t_*=1}^{N'}$ 

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857 B IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS
858860 B.1 IMPLEMENTATION DETAILS OF PAANO
861862 The patch encoder f_θ was a 1D-CNN consisting of four 1D convolutional layers with kernel sizes
863 [7, 5, 3, 3] and channel dimensions [128, 256, 128, 64], each followed by batch normalization and a
ReLU activation. A global average pooling layer was applied after the final convolutional layer to

864 obtain a 64-dimensional patch embedding. The projection head g_θ was a two-layer MLP with ReLU
 865 activation in the first layer. Both layers had a dimensionality of 256. The classification head c_θ was
 866 a one-layer MLP with sigmoid activation.

867 We adopted instance normalization (Kim et al., 2022b) following a widely used convention in recent
 868 time-series anomaly detection (Yang et al., 2023; Wu et al., 2025) and forecasting methods (Jin
 869 et al., 2024; Wang et al., 2024). For the hyperparameters, the maximum offset r for defining positive
 870 patches was set to 2, and the margin δ for the triplet loss was set to 0.5. The number of per-
 871 anchor random patches U was set to 5. The model was trained for 200 iterations using the AdamW
 872 optimizer with a minibatch size M of 512 and a weight decay of $1e-4$. The learning rate was
 873 decayed to one-tenth of its initial value using a cosine annealing scheduler. The pretext loss weight
 874 λ was linear decayed from 1 to 0 during the first 20 iterations and fixed at 0 thereafter. The memory
 875 bank size was set to 10% of the original patch set \mathcal{P} . The number of nearest neighbors k in the
 876 anomaly scoring function was set to 3. The patch size w and initial learning rate were explored from
 877 $\{32, 64, 96\}$ and $\{1e-3, 1e-4, 1e-5\}$, respectively, based on VUS-PR performance on the Tuning
 878 split of the TSB-AD benchmark. A patch size of 64 and a learning rate of $1e-4$ were selected for
 879 TSB-AD-U, and 96 and $1e-4$ for TSB-AD-M.

880 Experiments were conducted using an NVIDIA RTX 2080Ti GPU with 11GB of memory. Each
 881 experiment was repeated 10 times with different random seeds, and the average results are reported.

884 B.2 HYPERPARAMETER TUNING FOR BASELINE METHODS

885 Among the 46 baseline methods, 37 are applicable to univariate time-series anomaly detection and
 886 29 to multivariate detection. The hyperparameters of the baseline methods were tuned in the same
 887 manner as PaAno, using VUS-PR performance on the Tuning split of the TSB-AD benchmark (Liu
 888 & Paparrizos, 2024). For the baseline methods included in TSB-AD, we adopted the best hyper-
 889 parameter settings reported for their search spaces in the benchmark. For the remaining baseline
 890 methods, we conducted hyperparameter searches by defining comparable search spaces. The com-
 891 plete search spaces for all baseline methods are summarized in Tables 5 and 6.

895 C EVALUATION OF TIME-SERIES ANOMALY DETECTION

898 C.1 CHALLENGES IN EVALUATION PRACTICES

900 The recent studies on time-series anomaly detection have often relied on evaluation protocols that in-
 901 troduce several biases, undermining the validity of reported results (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024; Sarfraz
 902 et al., 2024).

903 First, several commonly used benchmark datasets exhibit known structural flaws (Liu & Paparrizos,
 904 2024). A primary issue is mislabeling, where inconsistencies in labeling lead to some anomaly-
 905 labeled observations being indistinguishable from normal patterns. Another common issue is unre-
 906 alistic assumptions about anomaly distributions, such as assuming that anomalies occur only once
 907 or appear only at the end of a time series. These flaws compromise the reliability and validity of
 908 evaluations.

909 Second, the reliance on performance measures that use point adjustment and threshold tuning has
 910 created an illusion of effectiveness for sophisticated methods. Point adjustment (Kim et al., 2022a)
 911 treats an entire anomaly segment as correctly detected if even a single point within the segment
 912 is detected. While originally intended to address temporal misalignments and noisy labels, this
 913 can misleadingly inflate performance measures (Sarfraz et al., 2024; Bhattacharya et al., 2024).
 914 Threshold tuning is typically performed post-hoc and tailored to each method (Paparrizos et al.,
 915 2022; Liu & Paparrizos, 2024; Sarfraz et al., 2024). Customizing the threshold selection strategy
 916 for each method can probably lead to biased evaluations tailored to specific approaches. Also,
 917 determining a universal threshold is challenging due to varying periodicities and variances in time-
 918 series data.

918 Table 5: Hyperparameter search spaces for 38 univariate time-series anomaly detection methods.
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920 Category	921 Method	922 Hyperparameter 1	923 Hyperparameter 2
924 Statistical & 925 Machine Learning	DLinear	win_size: [60, 80, 100]	None
	IForest	n_estimators: [25, 50, 100, 150, 200]	None
	KMeansAD	n_clusters: [10, 20, 30, 40]	win_size: [10, 20, 30, 40]
	KShapeAD	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	None
	LOF	n_neighbors: [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]	metric: [minkowski, manhattan, euclidean]
	MatrixProfile	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	None
	NLinear	win_size: [60, 80, 100]	None
	POLY	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	power: [1, 2, 3, 4]
	SAND	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	None
	Series2Graph	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	None
	SR	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	None
	(Sub)-HBOS	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	n_bins: [5, 10, 20, 30, 40]
	(Sub)-IForest	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	n_estimators: [25, 50, 100, 150, 200]
	(Sub)-KNN	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	n_neighbors: [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
926 Conventional 927 Neural Network	(Sub)-LOF	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	n_neighbors: [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]
	(Sub)-MCD	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	support_fraction: [0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, None]
	(Sub)-OCSVM	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	kernel: [linear, poly, rbf, sigmoid]
	(Sub)-PCA	periodicity: [1, 2, 3]	n_components: [0.25, 0.5, 0.75, None]
	AutoEncoder	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	hidden_neurons: [[64, 32], [32, 16], [128, 64]]
	DADA	batch_size: [32, 64, 96]	None
	DeepAnT	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	num_channel: [[32, 32, 40], [16, 32, 64]]
	Donut	win_size: [60, 90, 120]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
	FITS	win_size: [100, 200]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
	KAN-AD	win_size: [32, 64, 96]	lr: [0.01, 0.001, 0.0001]
	LSTMAD	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	lr: [0.0004, 0.0008]
	OmniAnomaly	win_size: [5, 50, 100]	lr: [0.002, 0.0002]
	TimesNet	win_size: [32, 96, 192]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
	TranAD	win_size: [5, 10, 50]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001]
	USAD	win_size: [5, 50, 100]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
928 Transformer	AnomalyTransformer	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
	Chronos	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	None
	DCdetector	win_size: [80, 100]	lr: [0.0001, 1e-05]
	iTransformer	win_size: [64, 96]	lr: [0.0001, 5e-05]
	Lag-Llama	win_size: [32, 64, 96]	None
	MOMENT (FT)	win_size: [64, 128, 256]	None
	MOMENT (ZS)	win_size: [64, 128, 256]	None
	OFA	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	None
	PatchTST	num_epoch: [5, 10, 15]	None
	TimesFM	win_size: [32, 64, 96]	None
929 Ours	PaAno	patch_size: [32, 64, 96]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]

930 C.2 TOWARD MORE RELIABLE EVALUATION

931 We adopt the TSB-AD benchmark (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024), grounded in recent rigorous studies
932 on time-series anomaly detection. This benchmark mitigates dataset-related flaws by correcting
933 labeling inconsistencies and reflecting realistic anomaly distributions. It also systematically addresses
934 issues such as point adjustment and threshold tuning, enabling fair and consistent evaluation.935 Regarding performance measures for time-series anomaly detection, Paparrizos et al. (2022) pro-
936 posed the VUS of the Precision-Recall Curve (VUS-PR) and the Receiver Operating Characteristic
937 curve (VUS-ROC) as robust and lag-tolerant measures, with resilience to temporal misalignment
938 and noise. Building upon this, Liu & Paparrizos (2024) empirically validated VUS-PR as the most
939 fair and reliable measure, capable of jointly capturing detection accuracy and localization quality
940 at the segment level. Sarfraz et al. (2024) recommended the joint use of Point-F1 and Range-F1,
941 both of which are threshold-dependent measures, and suggested supplementing them with the Area
942 Under the PR Curve (AUC-PR) as a threshold-independent measure. Additionally, the Area Under
943 the ROC Curve (AUC-ROC) remains one of the most widely used measures for providing a global
944 view of ranking performance, despite being sensitive to random scores in highly imbalanced set-
945 tings (Paparrizos et al., 2022; Liu & Paparrizos, 2024). Overall, employing multiple complementary
946 measures is essential for a comprehensive and reliable evaluation.947 Following this guidance, we adopted six performance measures in this study: VUS-PR, VUS-ROC,
948 and Range-F1 as range-wise measures; and AUC-PR, AUC-ROC, and Point-F1 as point-wise mea-
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Table 6: Hyperparameter search spaces for 30 multivariate time-series anomaly detection methods.

Category	Method	Hyperparameter 1	Hyperparameter 2
Statistical & Machine Learning	CBLOF	n.clusters: [4, 8, 16, 32]	alpha: [0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.9]
	COPOD	None	None
	DLinear	win_size: [60, 80, 100]	None
	EIF	n_trees: [25, 50, 100, 200]	None
	HBOS	n.bins: [5, 10, 20, 30, 40]	tol: [0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7]
	IForest	n.estimators: [25, 50, 100, 150, 200]	max_features: [0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.0]
	KMeansAD	n.clusters: [10, 20, 30, 40]	window_size: [10, 20, 30, 40]
	KNN	n.neighbors: [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]	method: [largest, mean, median]
	LOF	n.neighbors: [10, 20, 30, 40, 50]	metric: [minkowski, manhattan, euclidean]
	MCD	support_fraction: [0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, None]	None
	NLinear	win_size: [60, 80, 100]	None
	OCSVM	kernel: [linear, poly, rbf, sigmoid]	nu: [0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7]
Conventional Neural Network	PCA	n_components: [0.25, 0.5, 0.75, None]	None
	RobustPCA	max_iter: [500, 1000, 1500]	None
	AutoEncoder	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	hidden_neurons: [[64, 32], [32, 16], [128, 64]]
	DADA	batch_size: [32, 64, 96]	None
	DeepAnT	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	num_channel: [[32, 32, 40], [16, 32, 64]]
	Donut	win_size: [60, 90, 120]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
	FITS	win_size: [100, 200]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
	KAN-AD	win_size: [32, 64, 96]	lr: [0.01, 0.001, 0.0001]
	LSTMAD	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	lr: [0.0004, 0.0008]
	OmniAnomaly	win_size: [5, 50, 100]	lr: [0.002, 0.0002]
	TimesNet	win_size: [32, 96, 192]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
	TranAD	win_size: [5, 10, 50]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001]
	USAD	win_size: [5, 50, 100]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
Transformer	AnomalyTransformer	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]
	CATCH	patch_size: [16, 32, 64]	lr: [0.0001, 5e-05]
	DCdetector	win_size: [80, 100]	lr: [0.0001, 1e-05]
	iTransformer	win_size: [64, 96]	lr: [0.0001, 5e-05]
	OFA	win_size: [50, 100, 150]	None
	PatchTST	num_epoch: [5, 10, 15]	None
Ours	PaAño	patch_size: [32, 64, 96]	lr: [0.001, 0.0001, 1e-05]

sures. Four measures—excluding Range-F1 and Point-F1—serve as threshold-independent measures, and point adjustment was not applied to any of the measures.

C.3 DETAILS OF PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Notations Let $\mathbf{X}' = (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_{N'})$ denote the test dataset consisting of N' time steps, where each $\mathbf{x}_t \in \mathbb{R}^d$ represents a d -dimensional observation at time t . Let $y_t \in \{0, 1\}$ denote the corresponding ground-truth label, where $y_t = 1$ indicates an anomaly and $y_t = 0$ otherwise. Let $s_t \in \mathbb{R}$ denote the predicted anomaly score at time t , and $\hat{y}_t(\tau) = \mathbf{1}(s_t \geq \tau)$ the binarized prediction obtained by thresholding the score at threshold τ .

AUC-ROC The Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve plots the true positive rate (TPR) against the false positive rate (FPR) as the threshold τ varies. The TPR and FPR at threshold τ are defined as:

$$\text{TPR}(\tau) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N'} \hat{y}_t(\tau) \cdot y_t}{\sum_{t=1}^{N'} y_t}; \quad \text{FPR}(\tau) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N'} \hat{y}_t(\tau) \cdot (1 - y_t)}{\sum_{t=1}^{N'} (1 - y_t)}.$$

Given a finite set of thresholds $\{\tau_1, \tau_2, \dots, \tau_K\}$ sorted in descending order, the Area Under the ROC Curve (AUC-ROC) is computed as:

$$\text{AUC-ROC} = \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} (\text{FPR}(\tau_k) - \text{FPR}(\tau_{k+1})) \cdot \frac{\text{TPR}(\tau_k) + \text{TPR}(\tau_{k+1})}{2}$$

AUC-PR The Area Under the Precision-Recall Curve (AUC-PR) summarizes the trade-off between precision and recall across varying thresholds:

$$\text{AUC-PR} = \sum_{k=1}^{K-1} (R(\tau_k) - R(\tau_{k+1})) \cdot \frac{P(\tau_k) + P(\tau_{k+1})}{2},$$

1026 where $P(\tau)$ and $R(\tau)$ denote the precision and recall at threshold τ , computed as:
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$$1028 \quad P(\tau) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N'} \hat{y}_t(\tau) \cdot y_t}{\sum_{t=1}^{N'} \mathbf{1}(s_t \geq \tau)}; \quad R(\tau) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^{N'} \hat{y}_t(\tau) \cdot y_t}{\sum_{t=1}^{N'} y_t}.$$

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1031 **Point-F1** The standard point-wise F1 score (Point-F1) is defined as the maximum F1 score over
 1032 all possible thresholds τ :

$$1033 \quad \text{Point-F1} = \max_{\tau} \frac{2 \cdot P(\tau) \cdot R(\tau)}{P(\tau) + R(\tau)}.$$

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1036 **Range-F1** An *anomaly segment* is defined as a contiguous subsequence of time steps labeled as
 1037 anomaly. Let $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, \dots, A_M\}$ denote the set of ground-truth segments, where $A_j = \{t \mid a_j \leq$
 1038 $t \leq b_j, y_t = 1\}$. For a given threshold τ , let $\hat{\mathcal{A}}(\tau) = \{\hat{A}_1, \dots, \hat{A}_{N_\tau}\}$ denote the set of predicted
 1039 segments, where $\hat{A}_i = \{t \mid \hat{a}_i \leq t \leq \hat{b}_i, \hat{y}_t(\tau) = 1\}$.

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$$1042 \quad \text{Range-P}(\tau) = \frac{|\{\hat{A}_i \in \hat{\mathcal{A}}(\tau) \mid \exists A_j \in \mathcal{A}, \hat{A}_i \cap A_j \neq \emptyset\}|}{|\hat{\mathcal{A}}(\tau)|};$$

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$$1045 \quad \text{Range-R}(\tau) = \frac{|\{A_j \in \mathcal{A} \mid \exists \hat{A}_i \in \hat{\mathcal{A}}(\tau), A_j \cap \hat{A}_i \neq \emptyset\}|}{|\mathcal{A}|}.$$

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1048 Then the range-based F1 score is:

$$1049 \quad \text{Range-F1} = \max_{\tau} \frac{2 \cdot \text{Range-P}(\tau) \cdot \text{Range-R}(\tau)}{\text{Range-P}(\tau) + \text{Range-R}(\tau)}.$$

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1052 **VUS-ROC** The Volume Under the ROC Surface (VUS-ROC) extends the standard ROC-AUC to
 1053 a three-dimensional evaluation by jointly varying the threshold τ the lag tolerance ℓ around labeled
 1054 anomalies. ROC curves are computed for all possible pairs (τ, ℓ) , where $\tau \in \{\tau_1, \dots, \tau_K\}$ and
 1055 $\ell \in \{0, \dots, L\}$, forming a surface. VUS-ROC is then defined as the volume under this ROC surface.

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1057 Following the TSB-AD benchmark (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024), we use the optimized implementation
 1058 of VUS proposed by Paparrizos et al. (2022). The maximum lag tolerance L is determined by
 1059 identifying the first prominent local maximum in the autocorrelation of the first channel of the time
 1060 series, which typically corresponds to the dominant repeating interval.

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1062 **VUS-PR** Analogous to VUS-ROC, the Volume Under the Precision-Recall Surface (VUS-PR)
 1063 constructs a surface by varying both the threshold τ and the lag tolerance ℓ over PR curves. The
 1064 VUS-PR is defined as the volume under this surface, providing a threshold-independent and lag-
 1065 tolerant generalization of the standard PR-AUC.

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D SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

1068 We conducted a comprehensive sensitivity analysis to validate the effectiveness and robustness of
 1069 the core components of PaAno.

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D.1 PATCH ENCODER ARCHITECTURE

1073 The patch encoder f_θ in PaAno primarily adopts a simple 1D-CNN as the default in this study, but
 1074 it can be flexibly extended to various other architectures. We conducted experiments comparing
 1075 it with more complex encoders, including 1D-ResNet (Wang et al., 2017), Temporal Convolutional
 1076 Network (TCN) (Bai et al., 2018), and OmniScaleCNN (OmniCNN) (Tang et al., 2022), which were
 1077 implemented using the *tsai* package (Oguiza, 2023). **To analyze the architectural sensitivity of the**
 1078 **patch encoder, we also evaluated variants of the default 1D-CNN (4-layer, 1x width) by modifying**
 1079 **its width (0.5x and 2x) and depth (3-layer and 5-layer) while keeping the kernel configurations**
unchanged.

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1084 Table 7: Sensitivity analysis on the patch encoder architecture. The best and
1085 second-best values for each measure are indicated in **bold** and underline, re-
1086 spectively. All values are reported in percentage (%).

	Encoder	#Params	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	1D-CNN (0.5x width)	147K	51.5	<u>88.5</u>	47.9	45.5	85.8	50.6
	1D-CNN (3 layer)	297K	51.7	88.6	<u>48.6</u>	45.4	85.8	<u>50.7</u>
	1D-CNN	371K	51.9	<u>88.6</u>	48.2	45.6	<u>85.7</u>	50.7
	1D-CNN (5 layer)	1126K	50.8	88.4	47.9	44.4	85.6	49.8
	1D-CNN (2x width)	1250K	51.5	<u>88.5</u>	47.8	45.4	85.6	50.5
	OmniCNN	401K	52.2	88.2	49.0	46.1	<u>85.7</u>	51.1
	TCN	655K	46.4	85.5	45.4	41.6	83.0	46.3
	1D-ResNet	1456K	<u>51.9</u>	88.4	49.0	46.1	<u>85.7</u>	51.1
TSB-AD-M	1D-CNN (0.5x width)	162K	41.8	78.9	39.8	37.1	75.6	42.0
	1D-CNN (3 layer)	318K	42.6	<u>79.4</u>	<u>42.3</u>	37.6	76.2	42.6
	1D-CNN	386K	43.1	79.3	41.4	<u>38.3</u>	76.1	<u>43.0</u>
	1D-CNN (5 layer)	1148K	<u>43.2</u>	78.8	41.5	38.1	75.6	42.9
	1D-CNN (2x width)	1326K	43.5	79.0	41.9	38.5	75.8	43.2
	OmniCNN	968K	40.9	79.0	38.2	35.5	75.8	40.2
	TCN	664K	37.9	80.3	44.2	35.9	79.0	<u>43.0</u>
	1D-ResNet	1485K	41.5	79.2	40.7	36.7	75.9	42.1

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1097 Table 7 summarizes the results and the number of parameters of each model, with the simple 1D-
1098 CNN highlighted in bold as the default setting. In the TSB-AD-U, the lighter variants of the 1D-
1099 CNN, those with reduced width (0.5x width) or depth (3-layer), achieved performance comparable
1100 to or slightly exceeding that of the heavier variants, despite having fewer parameters. Consequently,
1101 for univariate anomaly detection, a lighter 1D-CNN offers an efficient and effective choice with-
1102 out compromising accuracy. In contrast, in the TSB-AD-M, heavier variants (2x width & 5 layer)
1103 showed slightly stronger performance than the default model. However, lighter variants still retained
1104 competitive performance, indicating that PaAno is robust to width and depth variations within the
1105 1D-CNN architecture.

1106 For other architectures, OmniCNN achieved higher performance than the 1D-CNN in TSB-AD-
1107 U, whereas in TSB-AD-M its performance was lower despite having roughly two to three times
1108 more parameters. TCN exhibited superior performance on ROC-based measures (VUS-ROC, AUC-
1109 ROC), but showed relatively low performance on TSB-AD-U despite having nearly twice as many
1110 parameters as the default 1D-CNN. 1D-ResNet yielded comparable performance in TSB-AD-U, but
1111 comparatively lower performance in TSB-AD-M, while requiring nearly four times more parameters
1112 than the 1D-CNN. These results show that the 1D-CNN, while having the smallest number of param-
1113 eters among the different architecture, performs comparably across both univariate and multivariate
1114 anomaly detection tasks.

D.2 LOSS FUNCTION

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1117 Table 8: Sensitivity analysis of the triplet loss compared with the InfoNCE loss
1118 and different negative selection strategies. The best and second-best values for
1119 each measure are shown in **bold** and underline, respectively. All values are
1120 reported in percentage (%).

	Loss function	Negative Sampling	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	InfoNCE	All Non-Self Patch	48.4	86.7	45.3	42.6	83.6	47.8
	Triplet	Random	49.6	87.2	47.0	44.5	84.3	49.2
	Triplet	Closest	<u>50.9</u>	<u>88.2</u>	<u>47.7</u>	<u>45.0</u>	85.4	<u>50.0</u>
	Triplet	Median	45.5	84.9	42.9	39.7	81.8	45.0
	Triplet	Farthest	51.9	<u>88.6</u>	48.2	45.6	<u>85.7</u>	50.7
TSB-AD-M	InfoNCE	All Non-Self Patch	37.0	76.2	35.4	32.8	72.8	37.2
	Triplet	Random	36.9	<u>76.7</u>	35.1	32.4	73.5	37.2
	Triplet	Closest	<u>41.0</u>	<u>78.6</u>	<u>39.2</u>	<u>36.7</u>	75.4	<u>41.3</u>
	Triplet	Median	37.2	76.9	35.8	32.3	74.0	37.3
	Triplet	Farthest	43.1	79.3	41.4	38.3	76.1	43.0

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1130 Table 8 reports the sensitivity analysis of the triplet loss in PaAno compared to InfoNCE and other
1131 negative sampling strategies. Since PaAno extracts patches through a sliding window, there is no
1132 guarantee that other patches in the minibatch form semantically meaningful negatives for a given
1133 anchor. This lack of semantic correspondence makes many InfoNCE negatives ambiguous, which
1134 weakens the contrastive signal and destabilizes the embedding space (Wang & Dou, 2023).

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 1135 We demonstrated other ways to choose the negative patch to analyze how the negative selection and
 1136 the triplet loss in PaAno respond to different forms of contrast. Specifically, we compared the patch
 1137 farthest from the anchor in the embedding space (*Farthest*), the patch closest to the anchor (*Closest*),
 1138 a randomly chosen patch (*Random*), and the patch at the median of the similarity ranking (*Median*).
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1140 In the experiments, median negatives offered even weak contrast compared to random negatives
 1141 or InfoNCE in TSB-AD-U, and performed comparably to them in TSB-AD-M. Random negatives
 1142 showed highly similar behavior to InfoNCE, providing no consistent contrast. These results suggest
 1143 that random or percentile-based negatives fall short of providing the meaningful contrast required
 1144 for effective metric learning of time-series patches. In contrast, as the default strategy in PaAno, the
 1145 farthest negative consistently achieved the strongest performance. It is shown to offer a reliably dis-
 1146 tinct comparison that encourages the encoder to learn discriminative representations. Interestingly,
 1147 the closest negative also performed second best in both univariate and multivariate settings. These
 1148 results indicate that metric learning for time-series patches is most effective when the negative is
 1149 clearly dissimilar to the anchor, and still reasonably effective when it is clearly similar, whereas
 1150 intermediate or ambiguous negatives provide weaker contrast.
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1152 Table 9: Sensitivity analysis of the loss weight λ with respect to the applied ratio
 1153 and the scheduling strategy. Here, each ratio (e.g., 10%, 50%, 100%) denotes the
 1154 proportion of the initial part of training during which the pretext loss is applied.
 1155 For a specified initial ratio of the training iterations, *Linear* decays λ linearly to
 1156 zero, whereas *Constant* keeps it fixed. The best and second-best values for each
 1157 measure are shown in **bold** and underline, respectively. All values are reported
 1158 in percentage (%).
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	Ratio	Schedule	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	10%	Linear	51.9	88.6	48.2	45.6	85.7	50.7
	10%	Constant	<u>50.7</u>	<u>88.4</u>	<u>47.0</u>	<u>44.7</u>	<u>85.6</u>	<u>49.7</u>
	50%	Linear	48.6	87.5	46.6	42.2	84.5	47.0
	50%	Constant	48.1	87.3	45.5	41.7	84.3	46.7
	100%	Linear	46.8	87.1	45.3	40.4	84.0	45.8
	100%	Constant	46.6	86.7	45.7	40.6	83.6	45.6
TSB-AD-M	10%	Linear	43.1	79.3	41.4	38.3	76.1	43.0
	10%	Constant	<u>43.0</u>	<u>79.1</u>	<u>40.6</u>	<u>38.1</u>	<u>76.0</u>	<u>42.9</u>
	50%	Linear	40.1	77.9	39.8	35.8	74.8	41.0
	50%	Constant	39.4	77.2	38.8	35.0	74.0	40.1
	100%	Linear	40.0	76.6	39.6	35.4	73.1	40.0
	100%	Constant	39.2	76.7	38.3	34.9	73.5	39.8

1160 Table 10: Sensitivity analysis of the loss weight λ . The best and second-best
 1161 values for each measure are indicated in **bold** and underline, respectively. All
 1162 values are reported in percentage (%).
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	λ	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	0.1	<u>51.5</u>	88.7	<u>48.1</u>	<u>45.1</u>	85.9	<u>50.4</u>
	0.5	50.9	88.4	47.0	44.9	85.6	50.0
	1.0	51.9	<u>88.6</u>	48.2	45.6	<u>85.7</u>	50.7
	2.0	51.0	88.5	47.2	<u>45.1</u>	85.6	50.1
TSB-AD-M	0.1	43.4	79.9	42.0	<u>38.5</u>	76.7	43.2
	0.5	<u>43.1</u>	79.2	41.0	<u>38.6</u>	76.0	<u>43.1</u>
	1.0	<u>43.1</u>	<u>79.3</u>	<u>41.4</u>	38.3	<u>76.2</u>	43.0
	2.0	43.0	<u>79.3</u>	40.7	<u>38.5</u>	76.1	<u>43.1</u>

1164 The pretext loss in PaAno is applied only during the early iterations to stabilize representation learning
 1165 when the embedding space is still unstructured and triplet-based distance comparisons are un-
 1166 reliable. Using this auxiliary objective in the initial phase improves training stability and shows
 1167 consistent performance gains (Table 4). Additionally, to analyze how the pretext loss should be in-
 1168 tegrated with the triplet objective, we conducted sensitivity analyses on its application strategy and
 1169 loss weight.
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 1189 Table 9 reports the effect of the ratio of initial iteration the pretext loss applied with scheduling
 1190 methods. Applying the pretext loss only in the initial 10% portion of training yielded the best over-
 1191 all performance, while extending it beyond that ratio led to progressively worse results. The pretext
 1192 loss is shown to interfere with triplet-based discrimination once the embedding space becomes more
 1193 structured. Also, a linear-decay schedule, which gradually reduces the pretext loss instead of remov-
 1194 ing it abruptly, consistently outperformed a constant schedule across all ratios. These results shows
 1195 the effectiveness of the default application strategy for pretext loss in PaAno.

1196 Table 10 further analyzes the loss weight. The performance remains stable across a range of weights,
 1197 indicating that PaAno is robust to the choice of the loss weight.

1198 **D.3 MEMORY BANK SIZE**

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 1201 Table 11: Sensitivity analysis on the size of the memory bank, expressed as
 1202 a percentage of the training dataset size. The best and second-best values for
 1203 each measure are indicated in **bold** and underlined, respectively. All values are
 1204 reported in percentage (%).

	Size	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	1%	50.6	88.1	46.8	44.8	85.2	49.9
	5%	52.0	88.4	<u>48.0</u>	45.8	85.5	50.8
	10%	<u>51.9</u>	88.6	48.2	<u>45.6</u>	85.7	<u>50.7</u>
	20%	51.0	<u>88.5</u>	47.3	45.0	<u>85.6</u>	50.1
TSB-AD-M	1%	42.9	78.6	40.6	<u>38.4</u>	75.4	<u>43.0</u>
	5%	<u>43.1</u>	79.2	40.4	38.6	76.0	43.2
	10%	<u>43.1</u>	79.3	41.4	38.3	<u>76.1</u>	43.0
	20%	43.2	79.4	<u>41.2</u>	38.6	76.3	43.2

1215 Table 11 presents the results of a sensitivity analysis on the size of the memory bank \mathcal{M} , with the
 1216 10% highlighted in bold as the default setting. Varying the memory bank size had no significant
 1217 impact on performance. Since PaAno maintains its effectiveness even with a small memory bank
 1218 (e.g., 1%), the size can be reduced from the default setting when fast inference or memory efficiency
 1219 is required.

1221 **D.4 NUMBER OF NEAREST NEIGHBORS USED IN ANOMALY SCORING**

1224 Table 12: Sensitivity analysis on the number of nearest neighbors retrieved from
 1225 the memory bank for anomaly scoring. The best and second-best values for each
 1226 measure are indicated in **bold** and underlined, respectively.

	k	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	1	<u>51.1</u>	<u>88.5</u>	<u>47.2</u>	<u>45.1</u>	85.7	<u>50.0</u>
	3	51.9	88.6	48.2	45.6	85.7	<u>50.7</u>
	5	50.9	88.3	47.1	45.0	<u>85.5</u>	<u>50.0</u>
	10	50.6	88.1	46.9	44.9	85.2	49.8
TSB-AD-M	1	43.1	79.4	40.6	38.6	76.3	43.1
	3	43.1	<u>79.3</u>	41.4	<u>38.3</u>	<u>76.1</u>	<u>43.0</u>
	5	<u>42.8</u>	79.0	<u>40.9</u>	38.2	75.8	42.9
	10	41.8	78.6	40.3	37.4	75.5	42.1

1237 Table 12 presents the results of sensitivity analysis on the number of nearest neighbors k retrieved
 1238 from the memory bank \mathcal{M} for anomaly scoring, with the 3 highlighted in bold as the default setting.
 1239 The results show that performance remained stable as k varied. This suggests that PaAno is robust
 1240 to the choice of k around the default setting. Although PaAno shows stable performance with $k=1$,
 1241 we adopt $k=3$ as the default to enhance stability against potential noise.

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 1246 Table 13: Sensitivity analysis on the size of patch length. The best and second-
 1247 best values for each measure are indicated in **bold** and underlined, respectively.
 1248 All values are reported in percentage (%).

	Size	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	32	42.9	85.4	41.1	36.9	81.1	42.9
	64	<u>51.9</u>	<u>88.6</u>	<u>48.2</u>	<u>45.6</u>	<u>85.7</u>	<u>50.7</u>
	96	<u>52.9</u>	89.2	<u>48.9</u>	47.5	87.0	52.2
	128	53.6	<u>88.6</u>	49.3	<u>47.0</u>	<u>86.8</u>	<u>51.9</u>
TSB-AD-M	32	35.3	75.8	32.9	30.8	70.8	35.8
	64	<u>41.0</u>	<u>78.6</u>	38.9	36.1	74.7	40.7
	96	43.1	79.3	41.4	38.3	76.1	43.0
	128	40.7	78.0	<u>40.3</u>	<u>36.7</u>	<u>75.6</u>	<u>41.8</u>

D.5 PATCH SIZE

1258 Table 13 presents the results of the sensitivity analysis on patch size. The results show that performance
 1259 remains stable as the patch size varies. In both TSB-AD-U and TSB-AD-M, PaAno achieves
 1260 strong performance at a patch size of 32 and shows slightly improved performance from 64 on-
 1261 ward. Patch sizes of 64 and 96 were selected for TSB-AD-U and TSB-AD-M, respectively, based
 1262 on results from the TSB-AD-Tuning set.

D.6 MINIBATCH SIZE

1266 Table 14: Sensitivity analysis on the size of minibatch size. The best and second-
 1267 best values for each measure are indicated in **bold** and underlined, respectively.
 1268 All values are reported in percentage (%).

	Size	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	128	50.8	88.0	46.5	44.8	84.9	50.0
	256	<u>51.1</u>	<u>88.4</u>	<u>47.1</u>	<u>45.2</u>	<u>85.5</u>	<u>50.2</u>
	512	51.9	88.6	48.2	45.6	85.7	50.7
	1024	50.8	88.2	46.8	44.8	85.3	49.9
TSB-AD-M	128	42.3	79.0	39.9	37.8	75.9	42.3
	256	42.7	<u>79.3</u>	40.5	<u>38.1</u>	<u>76.1</u>	<u>42.8</u>
	512	43.1	<u>79.3</u>	41.4	38.3	<u>76.1</u>	43.0
	1024	42.9	79.5	<u>40.8</u>	<u>38.1</u>	76.3	42.7

1279 Table 14 presents the results of the sensitivity analysis on minibatch size. Unlike other contrastive
 1280 losses (e.g., InfoNCE), the loss function in PaAno does not heavily depend on the minibatch size,
 1281 because each anchor requires only a single farthest negative pair. Across both TSB-AD-U and TSB-
 1282 AD-M, PaAno remains consistently robust for all tested minibatch sizes.

E DETAILED EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS

E.1 SUBSET-WISE EXPERIMENTAL RESULTS OF PAANO

1289 To ensure a thorough and transparent evaluation, we present the detailed subset-wise experimental
 1290 results of PaAno on TSB-AD-U and TSB-AD-M in Table 15.

E.2 ENTIRE EXPERIMENT RESULTS

1293 We report the complete experimental results for 40 methods, including PaAno, on TSB-AD-U in
 1294 Table 16, and for 32 methods on TSB-AD-M in Table 17.

1296 Table 15: Experimental results of PaAno by subset from TSB-AD-U and TSB-AD-M benchmarks.
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	Name of Subset	# Time-Series	Avg. Dim	VUS-PR	VUS-ROC	Range-F1	AUC-PR	AUC-ROC	Point-F1
TSB-AD-U	UCR	70	1	0.3842 \pm 0.0130	0.9174 \pm 0.0009	0.4715 \pm 0.0134	0.3886 \pm 0.0125	0.9007 \pm 0.0010	0.4408 \pm 0.0158
	YAHOO	30	1	0.6521 \pm 0.0036	0.9537 \pm 0.0013	0.4413 \pm 0.0313	0.5566 \pm 0.0097	0.9515 \pm 0.0001	0.5991 \pm 0.0066
	WSD	20	1	0.5912 \pm 0.0119	0.9453 \pm 0.0070	0.6153 \pm 0.0050	0.5122 \pm 0.0126	0.9290 \pm 0.0046	0.5214 \pm 0.0083
	CATSV2	1	1	0.3019 \pm 0.0045	0.7465 \pm 0.0010	0.1531 \pm 0.0066	0.4680 \pm 0.0004	0.7389 \pm 0.0003	0.5234 \pm 0.0018
	Daphnet	1	1	0.3763 \pm 0.1173	0.9171 \pm 0.0300	0.3192 \pm 0.0380	0.3737 \pm 0.1394	0.9234 \pm 0.0231	0.4399 \pm 0.0316
	Exathlon	30	1	0.7770 \pm 0.0106	0.9476 \pm 0.0033	0.5267 \pm 0.0088	0.7690 \pm 0.0085	0.9448 \pm 0.0033	0.7902 \pm 0.0101
	IOPS	15	1	0.3822 \pm 0.0029	0.9066 \pm 0.0065	0.4226 \pm 0.0091	0.4280 \pm 0.0104	0.8679 \pm 0.0056	0.3462 \pm 0.0056
	LTDB	8	1	0.7263 \pm 0.0074	0.8357 \pm 0.0050	0.7185 \pm 0.0044	0.6532 \pm 0.0041	0.7964 \pm 0.0040	0.7034 \pm 0.0108
	MGAB	8	1	0.1918 \pm 0.0010	0.9341 \pm 0.0014	0.4145 \pm 0.0039	0.2616 \pm 0.0037	0.9218 \pm 0.0025	0.3744 \pm 0.0036
	MITDB	7	1	0.3218 \pm 0.0009	0.8461 \pm 0.0020	0.3136 \pm 0.0067	0.2798 \pm 0.0001	0.7892 \pm 0.0020	0.3438 \pm 0.0005
	MSL	7	1	0.2766 \pm 0.0270	0.7638 \pm 0.0262	0.3215 \pm 0.0172	0.2295 \pm 0.0311	0.7046 \pm 0.0194	0.3031 \pm 0.0212
	NAB	23	1	0.4735 \pm 0.0032	0.7768 \pm 0.0055	0.5383 \pm 0.0036	0.4574 \pm 0.0026	0.7512 \pm 0.0026	0.5044 \pm 0.0007
	NEK	8	1	0.5913 \pm 0.0172	0.8381 \pm 0.0014	0.6408 \pm 0.0170	0.5467 \pm 0.0004	0.8651 \pm 0.0081	0.6904 \pm 0.0021
	OPPORTUNITY	27	1	0.2477 \pm 0.0063	0.6790 \pm 0.0131	0.3198 \pm 0.0047	0.2526 \pm 0.0039	0.6713 \pm 0.0130	0.3233 \pm 0.0068
	Power	1	1	0.1670 \pm 0.0062	0.6437 \pm 0.0017	0.2370 \pm 0.0162	0.1751 \pm 0.0082	0.6231 \pm 0.0009	0.2696 \pm 0.0032
	SED	2	1	0.9624 \pm 0.0037	0.9987 \pm 0.0001	0.8118 \pm 0.0044	0.8329 \pm 0.0100	0.9938 \pm 0.0003	0.7953 \pm 0.0036
	SMAP	17	1	0.7807 \pm 0.0011	0.9156 \pm 0.0002	0.7634 \pm 0.0028	0.7743 \pm 0.0038	0.9129 \pm 0.0006	0.7632 \pm 0.0043
	SMD	33	1	0.5013 \pm 0.0161	0.9324 \pm 0.0028	0.5436 \pm 0.0160	0.4741 \pm 0.0246	0.9269 \pm 0.0019	0.5378 \pm 0.0172
	Stock	8	1	0.7071 \pm 0.0030	0.8407 \pm 0.0003	0.1601 \pm 0.0367	0.0774 \pm 0.0001	0.4781 \pm 0.0003	0.1505 \pm 0.0001
	SVDB	18	1	0.5696 \pm 0.0030	0.9333 \pm 0.0031	0.4985 \pm 0.0072	0.5172 \pm 0.0046	0.9032 \pm 0.0040	0.5466 \pm 0.0018
	SWaT	1	1	0.0947 \pm 0.0002	0.1766 \pm 0.0006	0.1021 \pm 0.0037	0.0944 \pm 0.0005	0.1896 \pm 0.0003	0.2154 \pm 0.0002
	TAO	2	1	0.8737 \pm 0.0094	0.9367 \pm 0.0015	0.2838 \pm 0.0711	0.1266 \pm 0.0033	0.5295 \pm 0.0063	0.2137 \pm 0.0021
	TODS	13	1	0.7794 \pm 0.0002	0.9113 \pm 0.0003	0.3303 \pm 0.0150	0.3222 \pm 0.0046	0.7924 \pm 0.0003	0.3977 \pm 0.0009
TSB-AD-U Average				0.5188\pm0.0033	0.8863\pm0.0024	0.4819\pm0.0010	0.4559\pm0.0047	0.8573\pm0.0022	0.5068\pm0.0029
TSB-AD-M	CATSV2	5	17	0.0739 \pm 0.0070	0.6914 \pm 0.0080	0.1419 \pm 0.0191	0.0844 \pm 0.0133	0.6858 \pm 0.0113	0.1381 \pm 0.0145
	CreditCard	1	29	0.0272 \pm 0.0102	0.5254 \pm 0.0980	0.0270 \pm 0.0134	0.0050 \pm 0.0027	0.5326 \pm 0.1177	0.0423 \pm 0.0200
	Daphnet	1	9	0.2738 \pm 0.0539	0.8948 \pm 0.0187	0.3339 \pm 0.0149	0.2553 \pm 0.0609	0.9075 \pm 0.0246	0.4211 \pm 0.0246
	Exathlon	25	20.16	0.8135 \pm 0.0354	0.9541 \pm 0.0078	0.6382 \pm 0.0473	0.7858 \pm 0.0384	0.9517 \pm 0.0085	0.8535 \pm 0.0296
	GECCO	1	9	0.1866 \pm 0.0522	0.8898 \pm 0.0259	0.2600 \pm 0.0591	0.2319 \pm 0.0530	0.9191 \pm 0.0157	0.3144 \pm 0.0519
	Genesis	1	18	0.3334 \pm 0.2089	0.9919 \pm 0.0044	0.3791 \pm 0.1356	0.2766 \pm 0.2681	0.9906 \pm 0.0038	0.3854 \pm 0.2020
	GHL	23	19	0.0083 \pm 0.0002	0.3339 \pm 0.0111	0.0209 \pm 0.0024	0.0072 \pm 0.0002	0.3040 \pm 0.0111	0.0239 \pm 0.0005
	LTDB	4	2.25	0.6221 \pm 0.0101	0.8663 \pm 0.0069	0.6193 \pm 0.0128	0.6141 \pm 0.0149	0.8367 \pm 0.0061	0.6002 \pm 0.0067
	MITDB	11	2	0.3764 \pm 0.0074	0.8766 \pm 0.0035	0.4609 \pm 0.0058	0.4187 \pm 0.0107	0.8526 \pm 0.0036	0.4784 \pm 0.0060
	MSL	14	55	0.2451 \pm 0.0376	0.7818 \pm 0.0147	0.3780 \pm 0.238	0.2044 \pm 0.0374	0.7569 \pm 0.0148	0.2982 \pm 0.0293
	OPPORTUNITY	7	248	0.1607 \pm 0.0323	0.6064 \pm 0.0395	0.3426 \pm 0.0300	0.1541 \pm 0.0383	0.5823 \pm 0.0372	0.2090 \pm 0.0283
	PSM	1	25	0.2017 \pm 0.0162	0.6552 \pm 0.0196	0.2728 \pm 0.0076	0.1836 \pm 0.0200	0.6604 \pm 0.0234	0.2643 \pm 0.0063
	SMAP	25	25	0.5219 \pm 0.0157	0.8970 \pm 0.0066	0.5720 \pm 0.0117	0.5055 \pm 0.0177	0.9011 \pm 0.0073	0.5260 \pm 0.0127
	SMD	20	38	0.3578 \pm 0.0155	0.8494 \pm 0.0015	0.4099 \pm 0.0054	0.3941 \pm 0.0305	0.8738 \pm 0.0044	0.4490 \pm 0.0100
	SVDB	28	2	0.5616 \pm 0.0103	0.9034 \pm 0.0037	0.5492 \pm 0.0068	0.5306 \pm 0.0106	0.8799 \pm 0.0038	0.5559 \pm 0.0061
	SWaT	2	58.5	0.2461 \pm 0.0328	0.6831 \pm 0.0392	0.3421 \pm 0.0413	0.2198 \pm 0.0370	0.6662 \pm 0.0403	0.3143 \pm 0.0269
	TAO	11	3	0.7267 \pm 0.0021	0.8525 \pm 0.0006	0.2110 \pm 0.0309	0.0842 \pm 0.0004	0.4950 \pm 0.0028	0.1593 \pm 0.0003
TSB-AD-M Average				0.4307\pm0.0025	0.7928\pm0.0028	0.4141\pm0.0081	0.3830\pm0.0028	0.7613\pm0.0027	0.4299\pm0.0029

E.3 RUN TIME

To evaluate the practical applicability of real-time anomaly detection, we measured the run time of each method, including both training and inference, averaged across the datasets within each benchmark. The results for the baseline methods are taken from the TSB-AD benchmark (Liu & Paparrizos, 2024), where statistical and machine learning methods were executed on an AMD EPYC 7713 CPU, while neural network-based and Transformer-based methods were run on an NVIDIA A100 GPU. For PaAno, we used an NVIDIA RTX 2080 Ti GPU to measure its average run time.

Figures 6 and 7 compare the average run times of the methods on TSB-AD-U and TSB-AD-M. PaAno exhibited competitive run time, averaging **6.8508** seconds on TSB-AD-U and **12.8393** seconds on TSB-AD-M. PaAno achieved faster run time than majority of Transformer-based methods, demonstrating superior computational efficiency despite its competitive performance. Statistical and machine learning methods and generally required less run time, demonstrating their utility for scenarios demanding low-latency or constrained-resource usage.

Compared to baseline methods, PaAno’s advantage in run time becomes more pronounced on TSB-AD-M. While the run time of baseline methods typically increases with the number of channels in the time series, the run time of PaAno primarily depends on retrieving the nearest patch embeddings from the memory bank and is thus highly robust to the number of channels.

E.4 SCORE DISTRIBUTION

Figure 8 presents the distribution of VUS-PR scores for each method across all time series in the TSB-AD Eval set. The methods are ordered from left to right based on their average VUS-PR scores, and both the median and mean values are visualized to reflect central tendency and consistency.

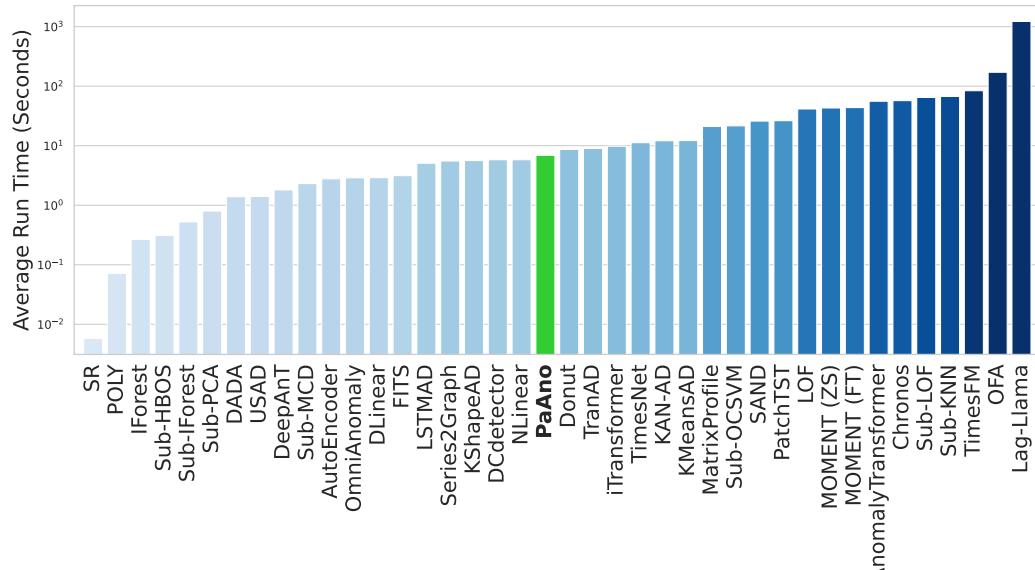
1350 Table 16: Performance comparison of 40 univariate time-series anomaly detection methods on TSB-
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Category	Method	VUS-PR	Rank	VUS-ROC	Rank	Range-F1	Rank	AUC-PR	Rank	AUC-ROC	Rank	Point-F1	Rank
	(Sub)-PCA	0.42	3	0.76	9	0.41	3	0.37	3	0.71	11	0.42	3
	KShapeAD	0.40	4	0.76	9	0.40	4	0.35	4	0.74	5	0.39	4
	POLY	0.39	5	0.76	9	0.35	9	0.31	10	0.73	8	0.37	8
	Series2Graph	0.39	5	0.80	4	0.35	9	0.33	5	0.76	3	0.38	5
	KMeansAD	0.37	9	0.76	9	0.38	6	0.32	7	0.74	5	0.37	8
	MatrixProfile	0.35	11	0.76	9	0.32	17	0.26	20	0.73	8	0.33	18
	(Sub)-KNN	0.35	11	0.79	5	0.32	17	0.27	18	0.76	3	0.34	16
	SAND	0.34	13	0.76	9	0.36	7	0.29	14	0.73	8	0.35	12
Statistical & Machine Learning	SR	0.32	16	0.81	3	0.35	9	0.32	7	0.74	5	0.38	5
	IForest	0.30	18	0.78	7	0.30	21	0.29	14	0.71	11	0.35	12
	DLinear	0.25	28	0.74	19	0.22	30	0.21	23	0.62	29	0.26	23
	(Sub)-LOF	0.25	28	0.73	22	0.25	25	0.16	31	0.68	16	0.24	27
	(Sub)-MCD	0.24	30	0.72	26	0.24	27	0.15	36	0.67	19	0.23	29
	NLinear	0.23	32	0.72	26	0.20	34	0.18	27	0.62	29	0.23	29
	(Sub)-HBOS	0.23	32	0.67	38	0.27	24	0.18	27	0.61	31	0.23	29
	(Sub)-OCSVM	0.23	32	0.73	22	0.23	28	0.16	31	0.65	23	0.22	33
	(Sub)-IForest	0.22	35	0.72	26	0.23	28	0.16	31	0.63	26	0.22	33
	LOF	0.17	38	0.68	35	0.22	30	0.14	37	0.58	36	0.21	36
Conventional Neural Network	KAN-AD	0.43	2	0.82	2	0.43	2	0.41	2	0.80	2	0.44	2
	USAD	0.36	10	0.71	32	0.40	4	0.32	7	0.66	21	0.37	8
	DeepAnT	0.34	13	0.79	5	0.35	9	0.33	5	0.71	11	0.38	5
	LSTMAD	0.33	15	0.76	9	0.34	14	0.31	10	0.68	16	0.37	8
	DADA	0.31	17	0.77	8	0.31	19	0.29	14	0.71	11	0.33	18
	OmniAnomaly	0.29	20	0.72	26	0.29	22	0.27	18	0.65	23	0.31	21
	AutoEncoder	0.26	23	0.69	34	0.28	23	0.19	26	0.63	26	0.25	24
	FITS	0.26	23	0.73	22	0.20	34	0.17	30	0.61	31	0.23	29
	TimesNet	0.26	23	0.72	26	0.21	33	0.18	27	0.61	31	0.24	27
	TranAD	0.26	23	0.68	35	0.25	25	0.20	25	0.57	37	0.25	24
Transformer	Donut	0.20	37	0.68	35	0.20	34	0.14	37	0.56	38	0.20	38
	MOMENT (FT)	0.39	5	0.76	9	0.35	9	0.30	12	0.69	15	0.35	12
	MOMENT (ZS)	0.38	8	0.75	17	0.36	7	0.30	12	0.68	16	0.35	12
	TimesFM	0.30	18	0.74	19	0.34	14	0.28	17	0.67	19	0.34	16
	Chronos	0.27	21	0.73	22	0.33	16	0.26	20	0.66	21	0.32	20
	Lag-Llama	0.27	21	0.72	26	0.31	19	0.25	22	0.65	23	0.30	22
	PatchTST	0.26	23	0.75	17	0.22	30	0.21	23	0.63	26	0.25	24
	OFA	0.24	30	0.71	32	0.20	34	0.16	31	0.59	35	0.22	33
	iTransformer	0.22	35	0.74	19	0.18	38	0.16	31	0.61	31	0.21	36
	AnomalyTransformer	0.12	39	0.56	39	0.14	39	0.08	39	0.50	39	0.12	39
Ours	DCdetector	0.09	40	0.56	39	0.10	40	0.05	40	0.50	39	0.10	40
	PaAno	0.52	1	0.89	1	0.48	1	0.46	1	0.86	1	0.51	1

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Figure 6: Average run time on TSB-AD-U.

Among them, PaAno exhibited the highest median and mean VUS-PR scores in both univariate and multivariate time-series anomaly detection. The gap between the median and mean was also the smallest, indicating that PaAno achieved a stable performance distribution.

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1407 Table 17: Performance comparison of 32 multivariate time-series anomaly detection methods on
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Category	Method	VUS-PR	Rank	VUS-ROC	Rank	Range-F1	Rank	AUC-PR	Rank	AUC-ROC	Rank	Point-F1	Rank
Statistical & Machine Learning	PCA	0.31	3	0.74	4	0.29	11	0.31	4	0.70	4	0.37	3
	DLinear	0.29	11	0.70	12	0.26	15	0.27	9	0.66	12	0.32	9
	KMeansAD	0.29	11	0.73	6	0.33	7	0.25	14	0.69	6	0.31	13
	NLinear	0.29	11	0.70	12	0.28	12	0.24	15	0.65	14	0.31	13
	CBLOF	0.27	16	0.70	12	0.31	9	0.28	8	0.67	8	0.32	9
	MCD	0.27	16	0.69	16	0.20	26	0.27	9	0.65	14	0.33	8
	OCSVM	0.26	18	0.67	22	0.30	10	0.23	18	0.61	23	0.28	18
	RobustPCA	0.24	20	0.61	28	0.33	7	0.24	15	0.58	25	0.29	17
	EIF	0.21	21	0.71	9	0.26	15	0.19	22	0.67	8	0.26	22
	COPOD	0.20	24	0.69	16	0.24	19	0.20	20	0.65	14	0.27	21
	IForest	0.20	24	0.69	16	0.24	19	0.19	22	0.66	12	0.26	22
	HBOS	0.19	26	0.67	22	0.24	19	0.16	24	0.63	21	0.24	24
	KNN	0.18	28	0.59	30	0.21	23	0.14	27	0.51	31	0.19	29
	LOF	0.14	30	0.60	29	0.14	30	0.10	30	0.53	29	0.15	30
	KAN-AD	0.41	2	0.75	3	0.41	1	0.38	1	0.73	2	0.42	2
	DADA	0.31	3	0.73	6	0.25	18	0.31	4	0.69	6	0.35	6
	DeepAnT	0.31	3	0.76	2	0.37	4	0.32	3	0.73	2	0.37	3
	LSTMAD	0.31	3	0.74	4	0.38	3	0.31	4	0.70	4	0.36	5
	OmniAnomaly	0.31	3	0.69	16	0.37	4	0.27	9	0.65	14	0.32	9
Conventional Neural Network	AutoEncoder	0.30	8	0.69	16	0.28	12	0.30	7	0.67	8	0.34	7
	USAD	0.30	8	0.68	21	0.37	4	0.26	12	0.64	19	0.31	13
	Donut	0.26	18	0.71	9	0.21	23	0.20	20	0.64	19	0.28	18
	FITS	0.21	21	0.66	24	0.16	29	0.15	25	0.58	25	0.22	25
	TimesNet	0.19	26	0.64	26	0.17	27	0.13	29	0.56	27	0.20	28
	TranAD	0.18	28	0.65	25	0.21	23	0.14	27	0.59	24	0.21	26
	CATCH	0.30	8	0.73	6	0.27	14	0.24	15	0.67	8	0.30	16
	iTransformer	0.29	11	0.70	12	0.23	22	0.23	18	0.63	21	0.28	18
	PatchTST	0.28	15	0.71	9	0.26	15	0.26	12	0.65	14	0.32	9
	OFA	0.21	21	0.63	27	0.17	27	0.15	25	0.55	28	0.21	26
Transformer	AnomalyTransformer	0.12	31	0.57	31	0.14	30	0.07	31	0.52	30	0.12	31
	DCdetector	0.10	32	0.56	32	0.10	32	0.06	32	0.50	32	0.10	32
Ours	PaAño	0.43	1	0.79	1	0.41	1	0.38	1	0.76	1	0.43	1

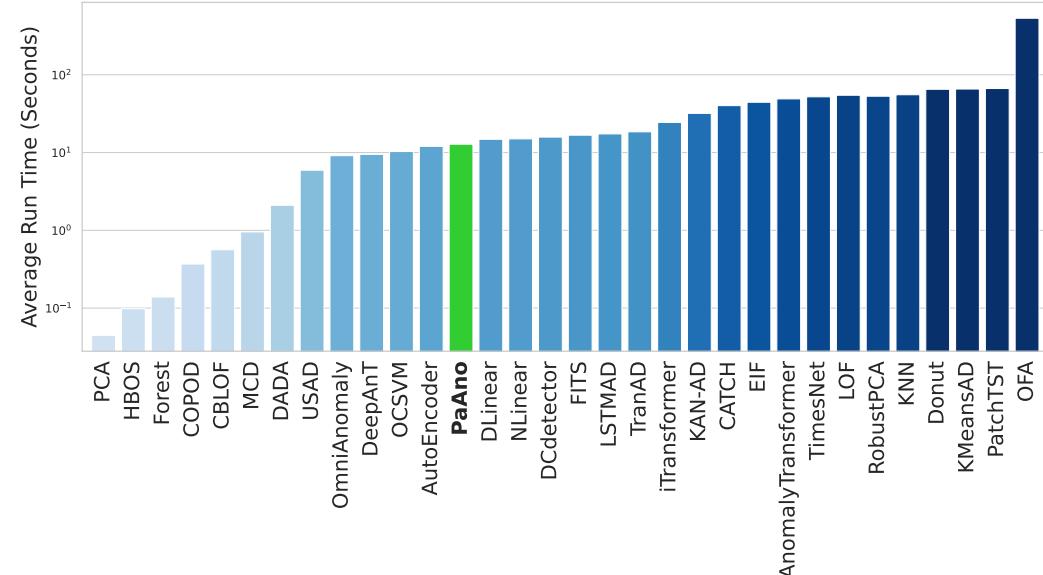


Figure 7: Average run time on TSB-AD-M.

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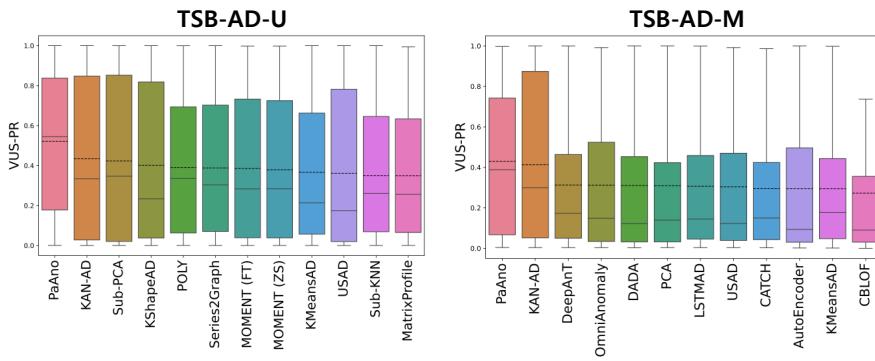


Figure 8: Boxplot of VUS-PR distributions for the TSB-AD-U and TSB-AD-M. The dashed line and solid line represent the mean and median values, respectively. Only the top-12 methods ranked by average VUS-PR are presented, ordered from left to right accordingly.