

1 We sincerely thank all three reviewers for their valuable comments, with the following being our responses.

2 **R1&R2) Regarding the contextual representation.** We proposed one novel gated
3 fusion strategy to mutually absorb useful and meaningful information of each point
4 and its neighboring points to enrich its semantic representation. As in Eq. (2), g_i^c
5 and g_i are determined by the representations of the each point and its neighboring
6 ones. As such, although the weights in Eq. (2) are learned to be ‘static’, the enriched
7 representation is adaptively determined by the point itself and its neighboring ones.
8 Moreover, compared with the simple concatenation, the proposed gated fusion can
9 effectively enrich the point representation yielding better performances, as illustrated
10 in Table 4 (the submitted paper).

11 **R1&R2) Regarding the model complexity.** Table 1 (response letter) illustrates the
12 model complexity comparisons. The sample sizes for all the models are fixed as 4096.
13 It can be observed that the inference time of our model (28ms) is less than the other
14 models, except for PointNet (5.3ms) and PointNet++ (24ms). And the model size seems
15 to be identical with other models except PointCNN, which yields the largest model.

16 **R1) Regarding the advance of the proposed model.** Table 4 (the submitted paper)
17 ablates the contribution of each component, namely CR, AM and GPM. We further

18 incorporate the proposed CR, AM, and GPM together with DGCNN for point cloud semantic segmentation, with the
19 performances illustrated in Table 2 (response letter). It can be observed that CR, AM, and GPM can help improving the
20 performances, demonstrating the corresponding superiority. We will include such experiments in our revised paper.

21 **R1) Regarding missing related work.** Thanks for your suggestion. We will include
22 the papers accordingly in our revised paper.

23 **R2) Regarding the effects of the order-specific weights:** Please note that the k
24 neighboring points as in Eq. (1) are randomly sampled within the point neighborhood.
25 We are sorry for not providing clearer information in our manuscript. In order to
26 examine the effects of the order-specific weights, we random shuffle the weights of the
27 k neighboring points in our CR module during the inference. The results with multiple
28 inferences appear to be almost the same ($88.43\% \pm 0.02\%$). Thus, the repositioning or
29 reordering does not affect the corresponding performances.

30 **R2) Regarding the general limitations (KNN):** We agree that KNN encoding step as
31 one general limitation makes it impossible for gradient propagation. We are considering
32 to use self-attention to aggregate the features within the point neighborhood, which can
33 thereby make the model suitable for other tasks besides the discriminative ones.

34 **R2) Regarding the performance on the classification task.** We evaluate our model on the ModelNet40 shape
35 classification benchmark, shown in Table 3 (response letter). As usual, we uniformly sample 1024 points on mesh faces
36 according to the face area and normalize them into a unit sphere. Only the coordinates of the sampled points are used,
37 with the original meshes discarded. The results in Table 3 (response letter) clearly demonstrate the generalization ability
38 of our proposed model, which achieves comparable performances with state-of-the-art models on classification task.

39 **R2) Regarding the robustness under noise in the data.** We demonstrate the robustness of our proposed model with
40 respect to PointNet++. As for scaling, when the scaling ratio are 50%, the OA of our proposed model and PointNet++
41 on segmentation task decreases by 3.0% and 4.5%, respectively. As for rotation, when the rotation angle is $\frac{\pi}{10}$, the OA
42 of our proposed model and PointNet++ on segmentation task decreases by 1.7% and 1.0%, respectively. As such, our
43 model is more robust to scaling while less robust to rotation. We will include such discussions in our revised version.

44 **R3) Regarding spatial/channel-wise attentions with each GPM.** The performance of dif-
45 ferent GPM settings are summarized in Table 4 (response letter). The default GPM setting
46 with spatial-wise attention achieves the best performance, where the channel-wise attention
47 appears to decrease the performance.

48 **R3) Regarding the number of GPMs.** As shown in Table 4 (response letter), when stacking
49 3 GPMs, our proposed model achieves the best performance. Introducing more GPMs will
50 increase the model capacity, resulting in performance improvement from 2 GPMs to 3 GPMs.
51 Afterwards, with more GPMs stacked, more parameters are introduced, which cannot ensure
52 an adequate training with limited data, resulting the performance degradation.

53 **R3) Regarding performances of different categories.** The CR module performs well on
54 the categories with context dependency, *e.g.*, the category ‘‘column’’ always appears with ‘‘wall’’. Without CR module,
55 the OA decreases by 24%. Both CR and GPM module are sensitive to local complicated structure information, *e.g.*, the
56 OA on category ‘‘sofa’’ increases by 26% and 19%, respectively. The AM aggregates global information and improve
57 the performance of category with large area, *e.g.*, the OA on category ‘‘window’’ increases by 3%.

58 **R3) Regarding more qualitative results:** Thank you very much for the comment. We will include more qualitative
59 results in our revised paper.

Table 1: Model complexity

Model	Time (ms)	Size (M)
PointNet	5.3	1.17
DGCNN	42.0	0.99
PointNet++	24.0	0.97
RSNet	60.4	6.92
PointCNN	34.4	11.51
Ours	28.0	1.04

Table 2: DGCNN performance

Model	OA
DGCNN	84.31
DGCNN+CR	85.35
DGCNN+GPM	84.90
DGCNN+AM	85.17
DGCNN+ALL	86.07

Table 3: Classification results

Model	acc.
Pointwise-CNN (CVPR’18)	86.1
PointNet (CVPR’16)	89.2
SCN (CVPR’18)	90.0
PointNet++ (NIPS’17)	90.7
KCNet (CVPR’18)	91.0
MRTNet (ECCV’18)	91.2
PointCNN (NeurIPS’18)	91.7
DGCNN (TOG’19)	92.2
Ours	91.5

Table 4: GPM performances

Model	OA
Channel	88.08
Channel+Spatial	88.23
Spatial	88.43
2 GPMs	87.58
3 GPMs	88.43
4 GPMs	87.48
5 GPMs	87.54