

# A Fair Generative Model Using LeCam Divergence

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- Generate fair synthetic data via LeCam divergence and unlabelled reference dataset.

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# Notation

- $\mathcal{X}$  : Data in  $\mathbb{R}^D$
- $\mathcal{S}$  : Set of sensitive attributes

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- Fair synthetic data satisfies

$$P_G(S = 0) = P_G(S = 1)$$

where  $P_{syn}$  is distribution of synthetic data.

- However train data does not satisfy above condition.

$$P_{bias}(S = 0) \neq P_{bias}(S = 1)$$

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# Setup

- Suppose that the information of  $S$  is not available.
- To train fair synthetic data, adopt reference dataset  $\mathcal{D}^{\text{ref}}$  which may satisfy

$$P_{\text{ref}}(S = 0) \approx P_{\text{ref}}(S = 1)$$

- Let  $\mathcal{D}^{\text{bias}}$  be train data.
- When the number of train data and reference data are  $m_{\text{bias}}$  and  $m_{\text{ref}}$  respectively, we assume that

$$m_{\text{bias}} \gg m_{\text{ref}}$$

- To train fair synthetic data, we optimize generator  $G$  by minimizing

$$\min_G (1 - \lambda) \cdot D_f(\mathbb{P}_{\text{bias}} \parallel \mathbb{P}_G) + \lambda \cdot D_{\text{fair}}(\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}} \parallel \mathbb{P}_G)$$

where  $D_f$  is  $f$ -divergence and  $D_{\text{fair}}$  is fair discrepancy.

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- Propose Lecam divergence based fairness discrepancy

$$\min_G (1 - \lambda) \cdot D_f(\mathbb{P}_{\text{bias}} \parallel \mathbb{P}_G) + \lambda \cdot \mu D_\Delta(\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}} \parallel \mathbb{P}_G)$$

where  $\mu$  denotes a non-negative weight, and  $D_\Delta(\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}} \parallel \mathbb{P}_G)$  indicates the LC-divergence between  $\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}}$  and  $\mathbb{P}_G$  :

$$D_\Delta(\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}} \parallel \mathbb{P}_G) := \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{(\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}}(x) - \mathbb{P}_G(x))^2}{\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}}(x) + \mathbb{P}_G(x)}$$

- $f$ -GAN

$$\min_G \max_D \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_{\text{bias}}} [D(X)] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_G} [f^*(D(X))]$$

where  $D$  is discriminator and  $f^*$  is conjugate of  $f$ .

- fair  $f$ -GAN

$$\max_D \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_{\text{bias}}} [D(X)] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_G} [f^*(D(X))]$$

$$\max_{D_{\text{ref}}} \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}}} [D_{\text{ref}}(X)] - \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_G} [D_{\text{ref}}(X)] - \frac{1}{2(\mu + \alpha)} R_{\Delta}$$

$$\min_G -(1 - \lambda) \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_G} [f^*(D(X))] - \lambda \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_G} [D_{\text{ref}}(X)]$$

where  $\alpha$  denotes an exponential moving average of  $D_{\text{ref}}$  v.r.t. reference samples and  $R_{\Delta}$  indicates a regularization term for  $D_{\text{ref}}$  defined as:

$$R_{\Delta} := \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_{\text{ref}}} [\|D_{\text{ref}}(X) + \alpha\|^2] + \mathbb{E}_{\mathbb{P}_G} [\|D_{\text{ref}}(X) - \alpha\|^2]$$

- Baseline 1 : Unfair method with train and reference data
- Baseline 2 : Unfair method with reference data
- Fairness measure :  $\sqrt{\sum_{s=1}^S (P_{ref}(S = s) - P_G(S = s))^2}$

# Experiment

Reference set size		25%	10%	5%	2.5%	1%
Baseline I	Intra FID	<u>12.00 ± 0.069</u>	<b>12.73 ± 0.053</b>	<b>13.54 ± 0.074</b>	<b>13.79 ± 0.072</b>	<b>15.89 ± 0.094</b>
	Fairness	0.495 ± 0.001	0.554 ± 0.002	0.559 ± 0.001	0.566 ± 0.002	0.576 ± 0.002
Baseline II	Intra FID	23.81 ± 0.118	32.31 ± 0.109	40.07 ± 0.062	67.70 ± 0.112	92.34 ± 0.131
	Fairness	0.093 ± 0.002	0.115 ± 0.002	<u>0.120 ± 0.003</u>	<u>0.150 ± 0.003</u>	0.455 ± 0.002
Choi et al. (2020)	Intra FID	20.68 ± 0.076	25.74 ± 0.079	30.15 ± 0.037	30.40 ± 0.041	31.49 ± 0.074
	Fairness	<u>0.065 ± 0.002</u>	<u>0.104 ± 0.002</u>	0.126 ± 0.001	0.237 ± 0.003	<u>0.344 ± 0.002</u>
Proposed	Intra FID	<b>11.48 ± 0.814</b>	14.50 ± 0.996	14.64 ± 0.626	17.16 ± 1.607	23.11 ± 0.797
	Fairness	<b>0.037 ± 0.007</b>	<b>0.039 ± 0.013</b>	<b>0.118 ± 0.007</b>	<b>0.129 ± 0.010</b>	<b>0.146 ± 0.022</b>