Fair and accurate age prediction using distribution aware data curation and augmentation

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A. Appendix

A.1. Calculation of OOD Score

To extract an OOD score, FOOD creates a copy of a trained DNN model and replace the last fully-connected layer with a Gaussian likelihood layer. Usually, the DNN model is trained for a few more iterations to optimize the weights of the final layer [2]. To make it more lightweight and enable its integration, we adjust the technique such that it can be integrated in any workflow of an age prediction system without requiring additional training.

The final Gaussian likelihood layer receives the output of the penultimate DNN model layer as input. The penultimate layer is commonly used for analysis, as it contains the most processed information without limiting the feature space. With the help of the Gaussian layer, the data is represented as a multivariate Gaussian with two parameters: a center vector and a co-variance matrix. Given our adjustment, those two parameters can be directly calculated based on the training data for each class. For the class c and penultimate representations of the dataset X, we calculate the center μ_c and the co-variance Σ_c as follows:

$$\mu_c = \frac{1}{|c|} \sum_{x_i \in c} x_i \tag{1}$$

$$\Sigma_{c} = \frac{1}{|c|} \sum_{x_{i} \in c} (x_{i} - \mu_{c}) (x_{i} - \mu_{c})^{T}$$
(2)

with the *d*-dimensional penultimate representation, where \mathcal{N} stands for the multivariate Gaussian distribution, as shown in Equation 3.

$$f(x|\Sigma_c; \mu_c) = \log \left(\mathcal{N}(x|\mu_c; \Sigma_c) \right) = -\frac{d}{2} log(2\pi) - \frac{1}{2} log(|\Sigma_c|) - \frac{1}{2} (x - \mu_c)^T \Sigma_c^{-1} (x - \mu_c)$$
(3)

The closer a sample is to the class center, the higher the confidence that the input belongs to a certain class and to the trained distribution.

We calculate the OOD scores using a log-likelihood ratio (\mathcal{LLR}) test on the subtraction of two log-likelihood scores (Equation 4). The test takes the probability ratio between the log of the predicted class and the logs of the unpredicted classes, where K represents the group of the k class indices which do not belong to the ground truth and have the top likelihood scores \hat{y} .

$$\mathcal{LLR} = \max_{c \in \{1,\dots,C\}} f(x|\mu_c; \Sigma_c) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i \in K} f(x|\mu_k; \Sigma_k)$$
(4)

The test provides an estimate that measures how far away the sample is from its predicted class in the penultimate representation. Samples that are too far away from their predicted class relative to other classes are given a low LLR, which translates into a high OOD score.

A.2. Generalization Datasets

Neither the CACD [4] or the AFAD dataset[13] are integral to the training or testing set; both show difference in style to the training and testing set and are collected by different sources. The CACD contains 163, 446 facial images of 2, 000 celebrities; for the AFAD, we opt to use the light version which contains 60, 000 facial images collected from various Internet sources. Table A1 shows the summary of all the datasets we used. The preprocessing workflow was applied to both datasets before testing (Section 4.1).

A.3. Calculation of Fairness Score

Function K (Equation 7) is an indicator function that indicates fairness for one sensitive feature pair s_j and s_k ($k \neq j$) when the average predicted ages $P(s_j|y_i)$ and $P(s_k|y_i)$ are close enough to each other defined by threshold t divided by 2 given the absolute value. $P(s_j|y_i)$ represents the average

Table A1: Summary of datasets.

Name	Purpose	Size	Related Work
IMDB-WIKI	Pretraining	636,022	[14, 20, 21]
MORPH-2	Curation&Augmentation	55,000	[20, 21, 19, 10]
APPA-REAL	Curation&Augmentation	7,591	[1, 7, 10]
UTKFace	Curation&Augmentation	20,000	[23, 9]
Mega Asian	Curation&Augmentation	40,000	[22, 19]
AFAD	Validation	164,432	[13, 5]
CACD	Validation	163,446	[4, 17, 14]

predicted age at sensitive feature s_j , given actual age y_i . Function F is another indicator function that indicates for age y_j , if the distance of average predicted age of every pair of sensitive features are close enough to each other. Therefore, F represents the overall distribution of how often the DL system performs fairly one age. Finally, p summarised all ages by taking the ratio of those ages which were considered fair by F and all ages together.

$$p = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} F(y_i | \mathbf{s})$$
(5)

$$F(y_i|\mathbf{s}) = \mathbb{1}\left(\left(\sum_{j \neq k} K(s_k, s_j|y_i)\right) = C_m^2\right)$$
(6)

$$K(s_k, s_j | y_i) = \mathbb{1}\left(|P(s_k | y_i) - P(s_j | y_i)| < \frac{t}{2} \right)$$
(7)

A.4. Comparison of Augmentation Approaches

In prior research, data augmentation has been assessed by identifying which augmentation types produce sufficiently diverse data for a DL system. [8] studied different sets of augmentation combinations to maximize diversity [8], named AutoAugment, which is used in various prior research [16, 15, 12]. In the field of contrastive learning, it was found that some augmentations are beneficial when combined while others are not [6]. As a result, the authors propose an augmentation setting used in contrastive learning to minimize the distance among augmentations from the same images while maximizing the distance among different images to determine best augmentation practices. This augmentation type is named SimCLR. The third augmentation type utilizes both affine and color augmentations and follows prior research [3, 18, 11] by empirically assessing the boundaries of individual augmentations to control the diversity and realism, named Fine-grained. Figure 1 shows the differences among different augmentation types. Table A2 shows that Fine-grained method performs the best among all the settings and we mainly opt for this augmentation techniques.



Figure 1: Example augmentations depending on augmentation type.

Table A2: Augmentation results comparing no augmentation setting to the presented augmentation types in Section 4.4.

Туре	CACD↓	AFAD↓	Ethnicity↑	Gender↑
None	4.77	7.11	70.50	81.00
Fine-grained	4.53	7.01	73.50	80.00
AutoAugment	5.04	7.30	69.50	74.00
SimCLR	4.58	7.04	72.00	69.00

A.5. The pesudocode of data curation

Algorithm 1: Curating a diverse and sensitive fea-					
ture balanced dataset					
Result: Curated dataset					
1 $num_sample \leftarrow Sum$ of number of samples from all					
datasets by class C and state S ;					
2 sort(num_sample by s);					
$3 max_sample \leftarrow$					
$min\{quantile(num_sample_{c,s}, 0.8) s \in S\};$					
4 $min_sample \leftarrow$					
$max\{quantile(num_sample_{c,s}, 0.2) s \in S\};$					
5 for all $c \in C$ do					
6 $threshold \leftarrow min\{num_sample_{c,s} s \in S\};$					
7 $threshold \leftarrow$					
$min(max_sample, max(min_sample, threshold))$					
8 $ds_num \leftarrow$ number of datasets;					
9 $select_size \leftarrow threshold/ds_num;$					
10 for all $s \in S$ do					
11 sort(D,c,s);					
12 for all $d \in D$ do					
13 $num \leftarrow \text{length of } d_{c,s};$					
14 if $num < select_size$ then					
15 select all data in $d_{c,s}$;					
16 $remain \leftarrow select_size - num;$					
17 update(select_size, remain);					
18 else					
19 random_select($d_{c,s}$, select_size);					
20 end					
21 end					
22 end					
23 end					

A.6. Cross-analysis results

DNN	Train	Test	MAE↓
		APPA	7.6
		Megagsian	11.8
	APPA	MORPH	6.5
		UTKFace	7.7
		Average (others)	8.6
	Megagsian	Megagsian	3.6
		APPA	11.5
		MORPH	8.3
		UTKFace	9.4
		Average (others)	9.7
AlexNet		MORPH	2.9
		APPA	11.7
	MORPH	Megagsian	9.4
		UTKFace	10.6
		Average (others)	10.5
		UTKFace	5.3
		APPA	9.6
	UTKFace	Megagsian	8.3
		MORPH	7.9
		Average (others)	8.6
	APPA	APPA	7.0
		Megagsian	12.2
		MORPH	6.4
		UTKFace	7.9
		Average (others)	8.8
	Megagsian	Megagsian	6.5
		APPA	11.4
DEX VGG		MORPH	7.3
		UTKFace	10.7
		Average (others)	9.8
DEATION	MORPH	MORPH	2.5
		APPA	10.6
		Megagsian	8.4
		UTKFace	10.0
		Average (others)	9.7
	UTKFace	UTKFace	5.2
		APPA	8.4
		Megagsian	7.8
		MORPH	6.4
		Average (others)	7.5

Table A3: Individual cross-analysis results retrieved on prior research DL age prediction system approaches (Section 4.2).

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