Efficient Precision and Recall for Assessing Generative Models using Hubness-aware Sampling

- We propose *efficient precision and recall* (eP&R) metrics for assessing generative models, which give almost identical results as the original P&R [\[1\]](#page-0-0) but consume much less time and space. Theoretically, our eP&R run in $O(mn \log n)$ time and consume $O(mn)$ space $(m \text{ is the number})$ of of hubs samples and $m < n$), which are much more efficient than the original P&R metrics that run in $O(n^2\log n)$ time and consumes $O(n^2)$ space.
- We identify two important types of redundancies in the original P&R metrics and uncover that both of them can be effectively removed by hubness-aware sampling [\[2,](#page-0-1) [3\]](#page-0-2). In addition, the insensitivity of hubness-aware sampling to exact *k*-nearest neighbor (*k*-NN) results allows for further efficiency improvement by using approximate *k*-NN methods.
- **Extensive experimental results demonstrate the effectiveness of our eP&R metrics.**

Motivation & Contribution

 $\phi' \in \mathbf{\Phi}$ (3)

Observation 1 [Redundancy in Ratio Estimation] As Eq. [2](#page-0-3) shows, the P&R metrics are essentially ratios of the number of samples in a set Φ that lie on a given manifold to the number of all samples in **Φ**. Thus, we can obtain similar P&R ratios by using *representative samples* of **Φ** with the rest as redundant.

Observation 2 [Redundancy in Inside/Outside Manifold Identification] As shown in Eq. [3,](#page-0-4) $f(\phi, \Phi)$ is 1 as long as ϕ is within the *k*-NN hypersphere of *at least one* sample $\phi' \in \Phi$. This means that we only need to find one valid ϕ' for each ϕ and all the other ϕ' s are redundant.

Preliminaries

The precision and recall (P&R) metrics for assessing generative models [\[1\]](#page-0-0) are

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\text{precision}(\Phi_r, \Phi_g) = \frac{1}{|\Phi_g|} \sum_{\phi_g \in \Phi_g} f(\phi_g, \Phi_r),
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\text{recall}(\Phi_r, \Phi_g) = \frac{1}{|\Phi_r|} \sum_{\phi_r \in \Phi_r} f(\phi_r, \Phi_g)
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where $\Phi_{\mathbf{g}}$ and $\Phi_{\mathbf{r}}$ are the sets of feature vectors corresponding to the generated and real image samples, respectively; $|\Phi|$ denotes the number of samples in set Φ and $|\Phi_q| = |\Phi_r|$; $f(\phi, \Phi)$ is a binary function determining whether a sample ϕ lies on a manifold represented by Φ :

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f(\phi_g, \Phi_r), \qquad (1)
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f(\phi_r, \Phi_g) \qquad (2)
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f(\phi, \Phi) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } ||\phi - \phi'||_2 \le ||\phi' - \text{NN}_k(\phi', \Phi)||_2 & \text{for at least one } \phi \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}
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where $\text{NN}_k(\phi', \boldsymbol{\Phi})$ denotes the k th nearest neighbour of ϕ' in $\boldsymbol{\Phi}.$

The Redundancies in Precision and Recall

Redundancy Reduction using Hubness-aware Sampling

- For Observation 1 and Fig. [1,](#page-0-6) we find that samples with similar hubness values are effective representative samples of set Φ in terms of P&R ratios as they share similar ratios of samples identified as 1 *vs.* 0 by Eq. [3,](#page-0-4) indicating that we can use a small number of hubs samples to approximate P&R;
- **for Observation 2 and Fig. [2,](#page-0-7) we find that most** ϕ **with** $f(\phi, \Phi) = 1$ **(Eq. [3\)](#page-0-4) are** included in the k -NN hypersphere of at least one ϕ' with high hubness values, *i.e.*, hubs samples, indicating that we can obtain similar outputs of Eq. [3](#page-0-4) using a small number of hubs samples.

Thus, our efficient P&R metrics (eP&R) can be defined as: $\text{precision}^{hub}(\mathbf{\Phi}_r, \mathbf{\Phi}_g) =$ 1 $|\mathbf{\Phi}_{g}^{hub}|$ \sum *φhub* $_{g}^{hub}$ \in Φ_{g}^{hub} $\operatorname{recall}^{hub}(\boldsymbol{\Phi}_r, \boldsymbol{\Phi}_g) =$ 1 $|\mathbf{\Phi}_r^{hub}|$ \sum *φhub* e^{hub} \in Φ^{hub}_r

(a) All 70k images in the FFHQ dataset

where Φ_g^{hub} and Φ_r^{hub} are the sets of feature vectors with hubness values $m > t$ corresponding to the generated and real image samples, respectively; *t* is a threshold hyper-parameter.

Illustration for valid ϕ'

Figure 3. Illustration of valid ϕ' . ϕ is represented by a yellow cube and $\phi' \in \Phi$ set are represented by red rhombuses.

As Fig. [3](#page-0-5) shows, by "the times a sample is included in the *k*-NN hypersphere of a sample of the other distribution, *i.e.*, valid ϕ' ["], we count the number of times *φ* (yellow cube) is within the *k*-NN hypersphere of $\phi' \in \Phi$ (red rhombuses)

(b) 70k images generated by StyleGAN2

Figure 1. Samples with similar hubness values are effective representative samples in terms of P&R ratio calculation. (a) Left: Histogram of sample occurrences *vs.* hubness value. Right: Pie chart showing that all three groups share similar ratios of samples identified as 1 vs. 0 using Eq. [3](#page-0-4) for recall calculation. (b) The same experiment as (a) but on StyleGAN-generated samples for precision calculation.

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B.L.: the original P&R metrics as the baseline; eP&R: our efficient P&R metrics; DM: Distance Matrix; A. hubs: the approximate hubness value; $m_x = \max\{m_r, m_q\}$ and $|\Phi_q| = m_q, |\Phi_r| = m_r$.

Redundancy Reduction using Hubness-aware Sampling (Cont'd)

(a) All 70k images in the FFHQ dataset

Figure 2. Most samples ϕ with $f(\phi, \Phi) = 1$ (Eq. [3\)](#page-0-4) are included in the *k*-NN hypersphere of at least one hubs sample $(t = 3)$ of the other distribution. (a) Left: Histogram of sample occurrences (log scale) *vs.* the times a sample is included in the *k*-NN hypersphere of a sample of the other distribution, *i.e.*, valid ϕ' ; the illustration can be checked in Fig. [3.](#page-0-5) Right: Pie chart showing the ratio of samples within the *k*-NN hypersphere of *hubness* vs. *non-hubness* samples from the other distribution, to the total number of samples ϕ with $f(\phi, \Phi) = 1$ in each group.

(b) 70k images generated by StyleGAN2

Rationale

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\sum f(\phi_g^{hub}, \mathbf{\Phi}_r^{hub}) \tag{4}
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\sum_{j=1,1}^{p_{j}^{new}} f(\phi_{r}^{hub}, \mathbf{\Phi}_{g}^{hub}) \tag{5}
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Error Analysis (Partial Results)

Table 1. Approximation errors compared to the original Precision and Recall (P&R) metrics.

Computational Complexity Analysis (Partial Results)

than the original P&R metrics.

Table 2. Time and space consumption of our eP&R metrics V.S the original P&R metrics [\[1\]](#page-0-0) on the FFHQ. Time (S): serial implementation. Time (P): parallel implementation using CUDA.

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Theoretically, the proposed eP&R metrics run in $\max(O(m_r n \log n), O(m_q n \log n))$ time and consumes $\max(O(m_r n), O(m_g n))$ space while the original P&R metrics run in $O(n^2 \log n)$ time and consumes $O(n^2)$ space. Since $m_r < n$, $m_g < n$, the proposed eP&R metrics are far more efficient

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