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225, 256, 289, 324, 361, 400, 441, 484, 529]
                     p_thresh: 0.05
                n_dummy_reps: 1
                   train_beta: 5
                    test_beta: 2
                    test_prop: 0.5
                    n_rows_in: 491
                   n_rows_out: 123
       training_preds_filename: None
           test_preds_filename: None
                   output_dir: output_worstcase
                  report_name: worstcase_example2_report
  include_model_correct_feature: False
                   sort_probs: True
              mia_attack_model: <class
'sklearn.ensemble._forest.RandomForestClassifier'>
          mia_attack_model_hyp: {'min_samples_split': 20, 'min_samples_leaf':
10, 'max_depth': 5}
     attack_metric_success_name: P_HIGHER_AUC
   attack_metric_success_thresh: 0.05
attack_metric_success_comp_type: lte
attack_metric_success_count_thresh: 5
              attack_fail_fast: False
   attack_config_json_file_name: None
                   target_path: None
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Global metrics

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           null_auc_3sd_range: 0.3759 -> 0.6241
              n_sig_auc_p_vals: 0
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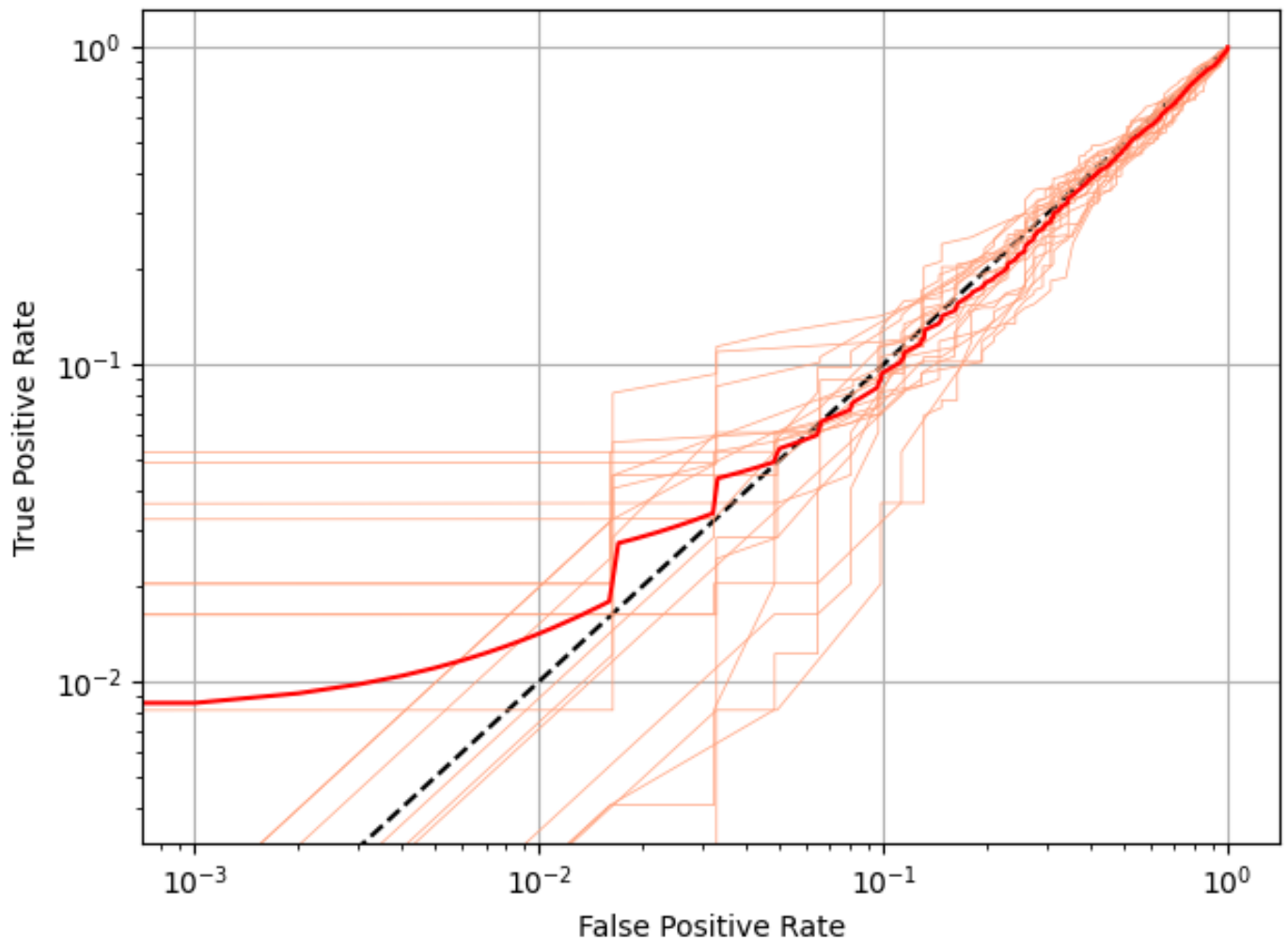
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    n_sig_auc_p_vals_corrected: 0
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The following show summaries of the attack metrics over the repetitions
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       AUC mean = 0.48, var = 0.0004, min = 0.44, max = 0.51
       ACC mean = 0.80, var = 0.0000, min = 0.80, max = 0.80
 Advantage mean = 0.00, var = 0.0000, min = 0.00, max = 0.00
    FDIF01 mean = -0.07, var = 0.0102, min = -0.29, max = 0.16
    PDIF01 mean = 0.70, var = 0.0658, min = 0.06, max = 1.00
   TPR@0.1 mean = 0.09, var = 0.0013, min = 0.00, max = 0.14
  TPR@0.01 mean = 0.01, var = 0.0002, min = 0.00, max = 0.05
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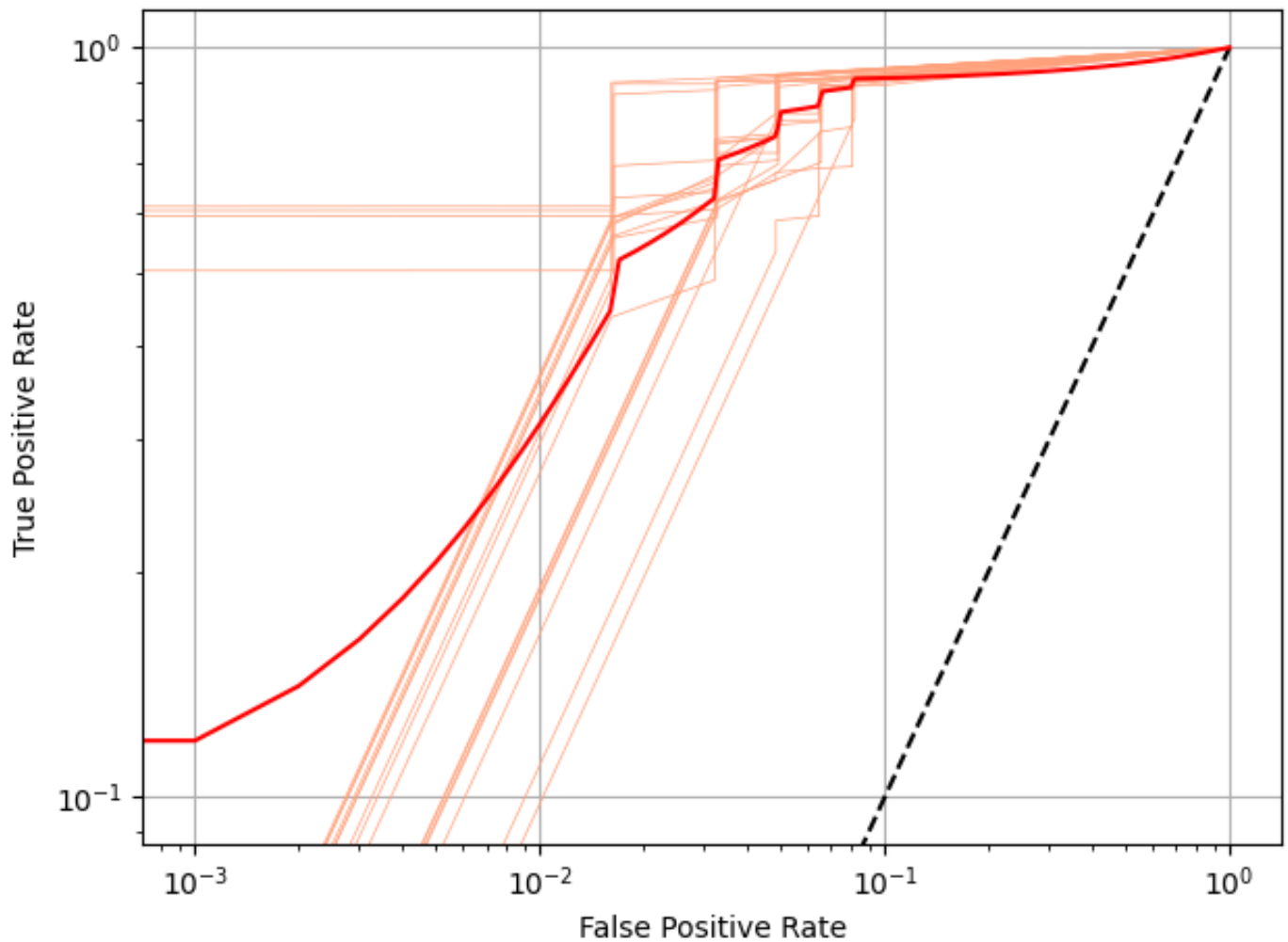
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   TPR@0.1 mean = 0.91, var = 0.0001, min = 0.89, max = 0.93
  TPR@0.01 mean = 0.11, var = 0.0476, min = 0.00, max = 0.58
 TPR@0.001 mean = 0.10, var = 0.0389, min = 0.00, max = 0.53
 TPR@1e-05 mean = 0.10, var = 0.0380, min = 0.00, max = 0.52
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