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# Fair Machine Learning Algorithms Comparison

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# LFR Model:

**Intuition:** Find a sanitized intermediate representation of X that



- Keep as much as possible information about attributes
- Remove information regarding **individual membership** of protected group.

## **Goals:**

Find a good **prototype variable Z** such that



- Mapping X to Z
- **Statistical Parity:** Probability of mapping X in protected group to Z equals probability of mapping X in unprotected group to Z

$$P(Z = k | x^+ \in \mathbb{X}^+) = P(Z = k | x^- \in \mathbb{X}^-) \text{ for all } k$$

- Preserve information in X as much as possible
  - Mapping Z to Y
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# How to achieve Statistical Parity in LFR:

- Parameters:  $V_k$  (location of prototype)  
 $W_k$  (mapping prototypes to  $Y$ )  
 Soft max  
 $P(Z = k|\mathbf{x}) = \exp(-d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}_k)) / \sum_{j=1}^K \exp(-d(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{v}_j))$
  - Define probability of mapping  $X_n$  to  $Z$ :  
 Statistical Parity  
 $M_{n,k} = P(Z = k|\mathbf{x}_n) \quad \forall n, k$   
 $M_k^+ = \mathbb{E}_{\mathbf{x} \in X^+} P(Z = k|\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{|X_0^+|} \sum_{n \in X_0^+} M_{n,k}$   
 $M_k^+ = M_k^-, \forall k$
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**Objective function:**  $L = A_z \cdot L_z + A_x \cdot L_x + A_y \cdot L_y$

❑ Constraint to achieve Statistical Parity

$$L_z = \sum_{k=1}^K |M_k^+ - M_k^-|$$

❑ Constraint to preserve information left in new representation of X

$$L_x = \sum_{n=1}^N (\mathbf{x}_n - \hat{\mathbf{x}}_n)^2 \quad \hat{\mathbf{x}}_n = \sum_{k=1}^K M_{n,k} \mathbf{v}_k$$

❑ Constraint to assure predictions' accuracy

$$L_y = \sum_{n=1}^N -y_n \log \hat{y}_n - (1 - y_n) \log(1 - \hat{y}_n)$$
$$\hat{y}_n = \sum_{k=1}^K M_{n,k} w_k$$

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## PR Model:

Fairness-aware Classifier with Prejudice Remover Regularizer

- **Three causes of unfairness:**
    - Prejudice
    - Underestimation
    - Negative Legacy
  - **Three types of prejudice:**
    - Direct prejudice
    - Indirect prejudice
    - Latent prejudice
  - **Prejudice Removal Techniques**
    - Reduce indirect prejudice
    - Implemented as a regularizer
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## PR Model:

Tune parameters by maximizing the log-likelihood

$$\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}; \boldsymbol{\Theta}) = \sum_{(y_i, \mathbf{x}_i, s_i) \in \mathcal{D}} \ln \mathcal{M}[y_i | \mathbf{x}_i, s_i; \boldsymbol{\Theta}]$$

Two Regularizers(L2 regularizer and prejudice remover regularizer) added to the objective function

$$-\mathcal{L}(\mathcal{D}; \boldsymbol{\Theta}) + \eta R(\mathcal{D}, \boldsymbol{\Theta}) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \|\boldsymbol{\Theta}\|_2^2$$

Use logistic regression model as prediction model

$$\mathcal{M}[y | \mathbf{x}, s; \boldsymbol{\Theta}] = y \sigma(\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w}_s) + (1 - y)(1 - \sigma(\mathbf{x}^\top \mathbf{w}_s))$$

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## PR Model:

Prejudice Removal Regularizer  $R_{\text{PR}}(\mathcal{D}, \Theta)$

$$\sum_{(\mathbf{x}_i, s_i) \in \mathcal{D}} \sum_{y \in \{0,1\}} \mathcal{M}[y|\mathbf{x}_i, s_i; \Theta] \ln \frac{\hat{\text{Pr}}[y|s_i]}{\hat{\text{Pr}}[y]}$$

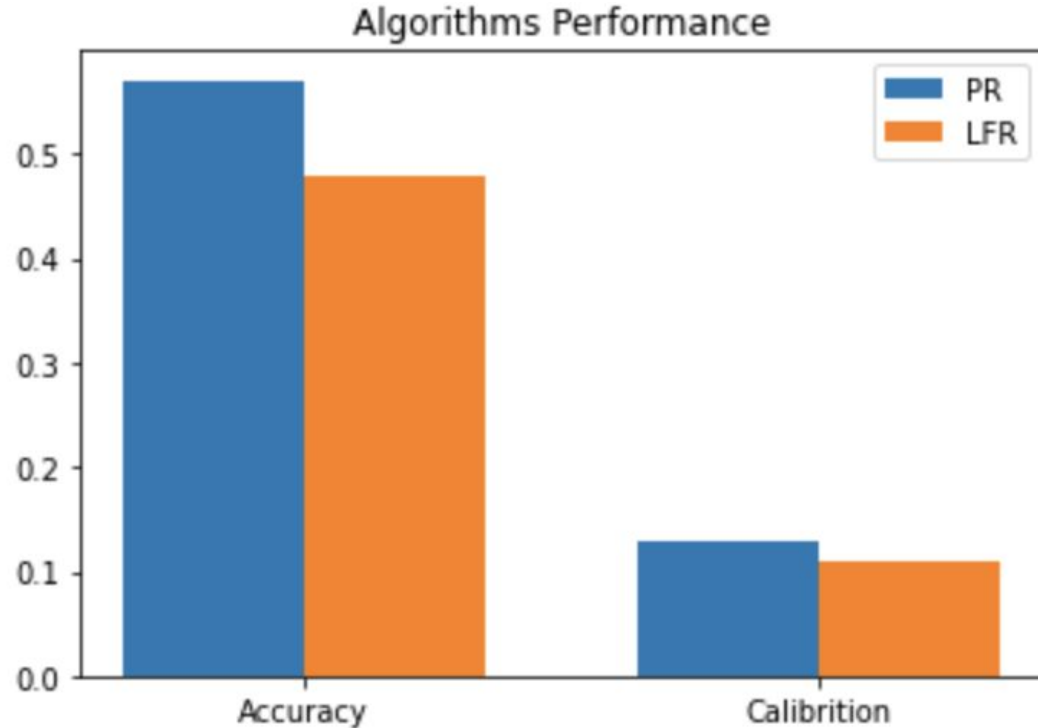
The final objective function

$$\sum_{(y_i, \mathbf{x}_i, s_i)} \ln \mathcal{M}[y_i|\mathbf{x}_i, s_i; \Theta] + \eta R_{\text{PR}}(\mathcal{D}, \Theta) + \frac{\lambda}{2} \sum_{s \in \mathcal{S}} \|\mathbf{w}_s\|_2^2$$

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# Model result and Algorithms Comparison



- PR algorithm have higher accuracy than LFR algorithm
  - LFR have lower calibration than PR Algorithm.
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**Thank you!**

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