



How to Identify and Prevent Al Bias with ai360

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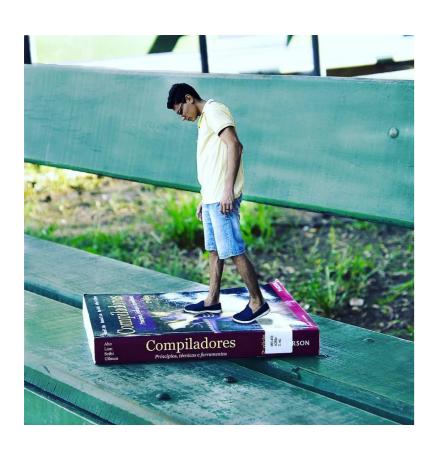




Agenda

- Bias
- Fairness in ML
- High Visibility Fairness Examples
- Al Fairness 360
 - Metrics
 - Demo





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Bias

Nonverbal Bias

We prefer to scrap own opinion in favour of the groups' opinion.

Conformity Bias

Occurs when a positive or negative evaluation is made of someone based on their body language, personal appearance or style of dress.

Beauty Bias

This is the view that we tend to think that the most handsome individual will be the most successful.

Similarity Bias

Naturally, we want to surround ourselves with people we feel are similar to us.



Fairness in ML



Biases in Data → Biased Labels

Wedding photographs (donated by Googlers), labeled by a classifier trained on the Open Images dataset. The classifier's label predictions are recorded below each image

source:

https://ai.googleblog.com/2018/09 /introducing-inclusive-images-com petition.html



ceremony, wedding, bride, man, groom, woman, dress



bride, ceremony, wedding, dress, woman



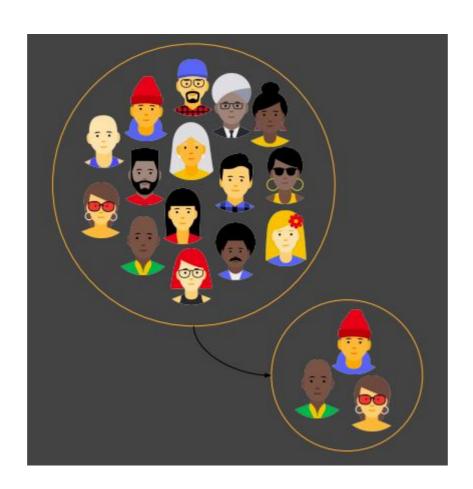
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person, people

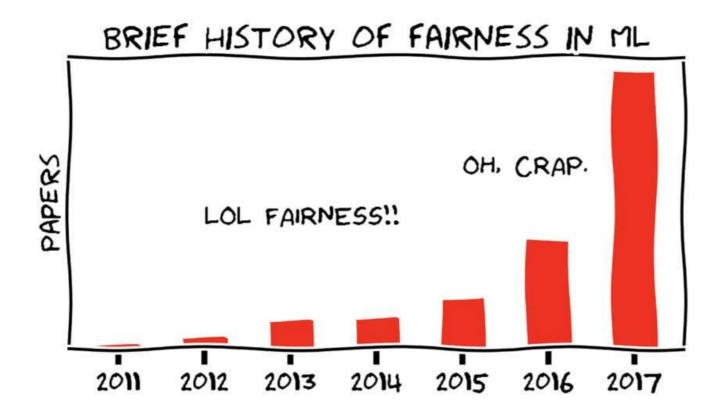
Fairness in ML

Biases in Data →
Biased Data
Representation





Fairness in ML



The number of academic pubs on fairness, 2011-2017

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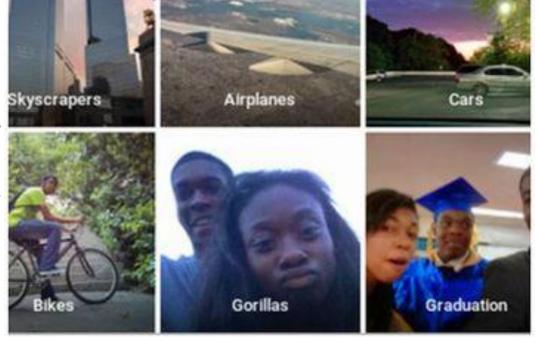
https://fairmlclass.github.io/1 .html#/4



Algorithmic fairness is one of the hottest topics in the ML/Al research community

Photo Classification Software -2016

Google has come under fire after the image-recognition feature in its Photos application mistakenly identified people with dark skin as "gorillas."



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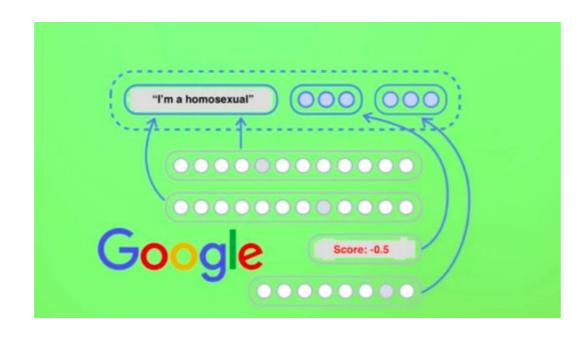
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What does it take to trust a decision made by a machine?

Sentiment Analysis -2017

Google's Sentiment analyzer thinks being gay or jew is bad.



source:

https://www.vice.com/en/article/j5 jmj8/google-artificial-intelligence-bi as.

google

api:

https://cloud.google.com/natural-language/



This is an example of how bias creeps into artificial intelligence

Amazon scraps secret Al recruiting tool that showed bias against women - 2018

The team had been building computer programs for 4 years ago to review job applicants' resumes with the aim of mechanizing the search for top talent"



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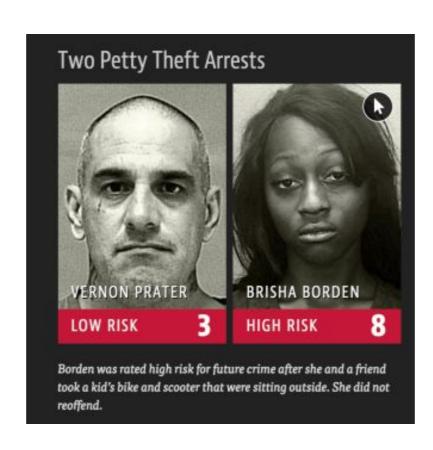
https://www.hrkatha.com/recruitm ent/amazon-discreetly-abandonedgender-biased-ai-based-recruiting-t ool/



This is an example how an Al can perpetuate injustice in hiring

Criminal Justice System - 2016

Since 2008, nearly every arrestee in Broward County, Florida has been assigned a risk score using Northpointe's COMPAS algorithm. Defendants with low risk scores are released on bail.



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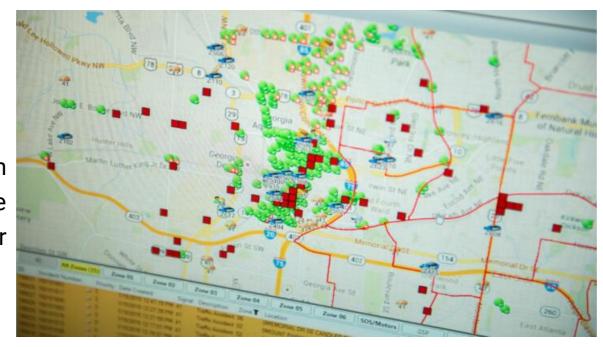
https://www.propublica.org/article/ machine-bias-risk-assessments-incriminal-sentencing



This is an example of Bias in Recidivism Assessment

Criminal Justice System - 2016

A map of Atlanta generated through PredPol that uses a predictive algorithm to map hotspots for potential crime.



source:

https://themarkup.org/ask-the-markup/2020/08/20/does-predictive-police-technology-contribute-to-bias



Artificial Intelligence Is Now Used to Predict Crime. But Is It Biased?

Fairness is Political

Equality



The assumption is that everyone benefits from the same supports. This is equal treatment.

Equity



Everyone gets the supports they need (this is the concept of "affirmative action"), thus producing equity.

Justice



All 3 can see the game without supports or accommodations because the cause(s) of the inequity was addressed.

The systemic barrier has been removed.



Someone must decide

Decisions will depend on the product, company, laws, country, etc

There are at least 21 definitions of fairness

There is no one definition of fairness applicable in all contexts

Some definitions even conflict



Al Fairness 360 (Al360)

Al360 toolkit is an open-source library to help detect and remove bias in machine learning models.

Toolbox

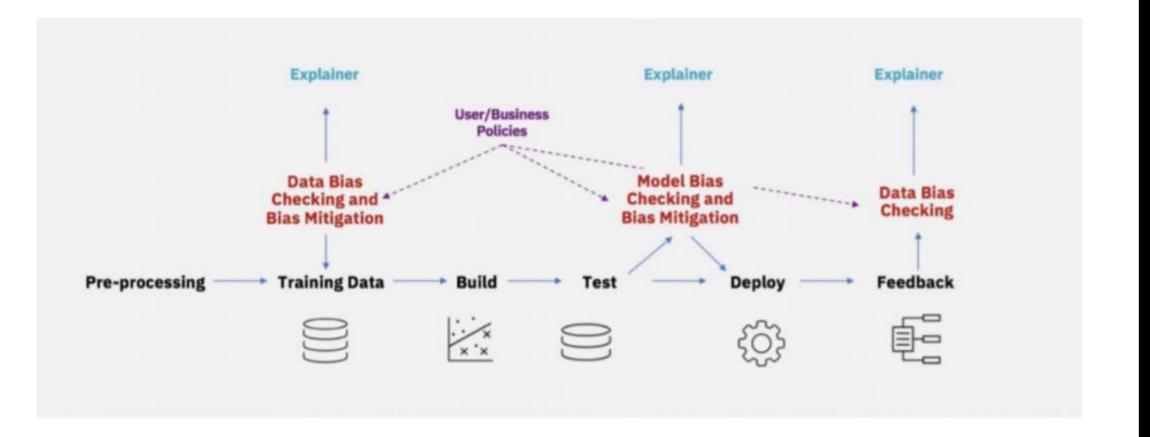
- Fairness metrics (70+)
- Bias mitigation algorithms (10+)

source: https://github.com/IBM/AIF360

Al Fairness 360 was created by <u>IBM Research</u> Additional research sites that advance other aspects of Trusted Al include: <u>Al Explainability 360</u>, <u>Al Adversarial Robustness 360</u>, <u>Al FactSheets 360</u>



Checking and Mitigating Bias throughout the Al Lifecycle





Bias mitigation is not easy
Cannot simply drop
protected attributes because
features are correlated with
them.

Al Fairness 360 - Resources

- Bias
- Group fairness
- Privileged protected attribute
- Protected attribute



Some Algorithms

Optimized Preprocessing

Use to mitigate bias in training data. Modifies training data features and labels.



Learning Fair Representations

Use to mitigate bias in training data. Learns fair representations by obfuscating information about protected attributes.



Reweighing

Use to mitgate bias in training data. Modifies the weights of different training examples.



Prejudice Remover

Use to mitigate bias in classifiers. Adds a discrimination-aware regularization term to the learning objective.

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Adversarial Debiasing

Use to mitigate bias in classifiers. Uses adversarial techniques to maximize accuracy and reduce evidence of protected attributes in predictions.

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Calibrated Equalized Odds Post-processing

Use to mitigate bias in predictions. Optimizes over calibrated classifier score outputs that lead to fair output labels.



Reject Option Classification

Use to mitigate bias in predictions. Changes predictions from a classifier to make them fairer.



Equalized Odds Post-processing

Use to mitigate bias in predictions. Modifies the predicted labels using an optimization scheme to make predictions fairer.



Disparate Impact Remover

Use to mitigate bias in training data. Edits feature values to improve group fairness.



Meta Fair Classifier

Use to mitigate bias in classifier. Meta algorithm that takes the fairness metric as part of the input and returns a classifier optimized for that metric.

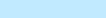




Some Metrics

Statistical Parity Difference

The difference of the rate of favorable outcomes received by the unprivileged group to the privileged group.



Euclidean Distance

The average Euclidean distance between the samples from the two datasets.



Equal Opportunity Difference

The difference of true positive rates between the unprivileged and the privileged groups.



Mahalanobis Distance

The average Mahalanobis distance between the samples from the two datasets.



Average Odds Difference

The average difference of false positive rate (false positives/negatives) and true positive rate (true positives/positives) between unprivileged and privileged groups.



Manhattan Distance

The average Manhattan distance between the samples from the two datasets.



Disparate Impact

The ratio of rate of favorable outcome for the unprivileged group to that of the privileged group.



Theil Index

Measures the inequality in benefit allocation for individuals.





Metrics

Favoriable

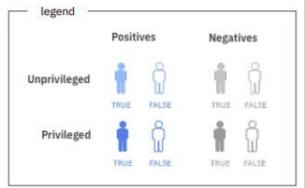
Privileged

Favoriable

Group fairness metrics

statistical parity difference



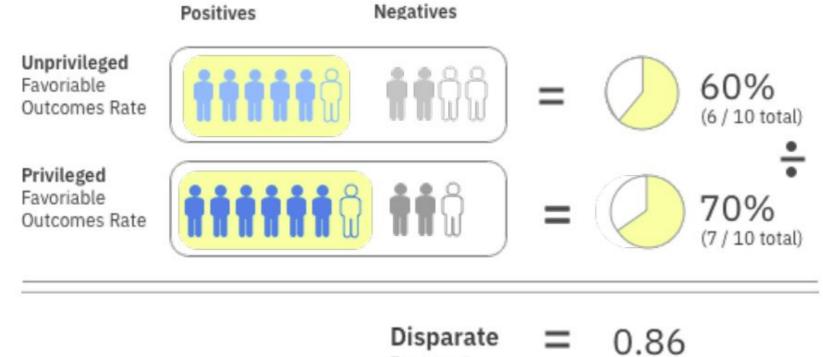




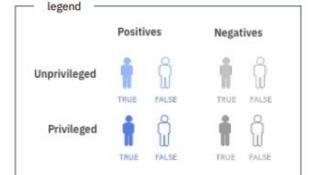
Metrics

Group fairness metrics

disparate impact



Impact



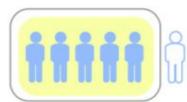


Metrics

Group fairness metrics

equal opportunity difference

Unprivileged True Positive Rate



Positives



Negatives



71%

Privileged True Postive Rate





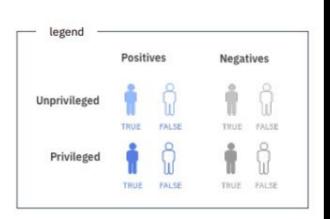
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Equal Opportunity Difference









Demo: Al Fairness 360 Web Application

Dataset: Adult census income

Predict whether income exceeds \$50K/yr based on census data.

link:

https://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/adult

http://aif360.mybluemix .net/

Compare original vs. mitigated results

Dataset: Adult census income

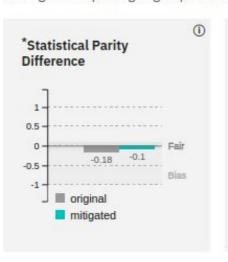
Mitigation: Reweighing algorithm applied

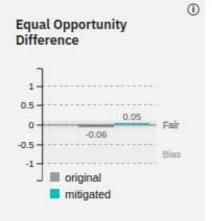
Protected Attribute: Race

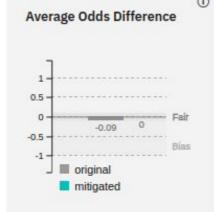
Privileged Group: White, Unprivileged Group: Non-white

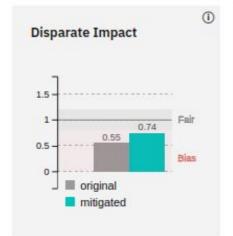
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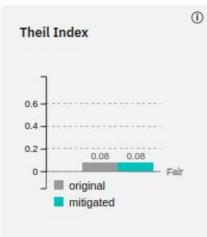
Bias against unprivileged group was reduced to acceptable levels* for 1 of 2 previously biased metrics (1 of 5 metrics still indicate bias for unprivileged group)









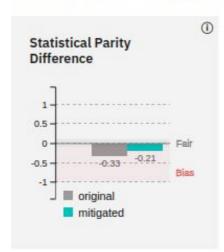


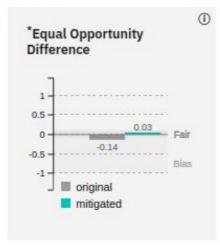
Protected Attribute: Sex

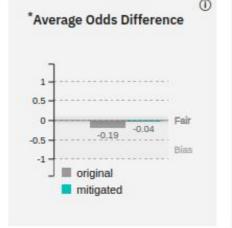
Privileged Group: Male, Unprivileged Group: Female

Accuracy after mitigation changed from 83% to 81%

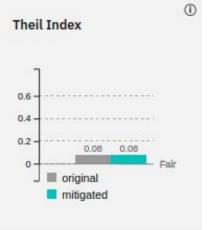
Bias against unprivileged group was reduced to acceptable levels* for 2 of 4 previously biased metrics (2 of 5 metrics still indicate bias for unprivileged group)











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Aequitas Web audit tool as well as python lib. Generates bias report for given model and dataset https://github.com/dssg/aequitas

Fairtest Tests for associations between algorithm outputs and protected populations https://github.com/columbia/fairtest

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