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DiffAR: Adaptive Conditional Diffusion Model for Temporal-augmented Human Activity Recognition

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BACKGROUND

WiFi channel state information (CSI) captures wireless signal variations caused by human interference to support device-free and non-intrusive human activity recognition (HAR).

Tx RUNNING Rx WiFi CSI Tx FALLING Rx WiFi CSI

PROBLEM

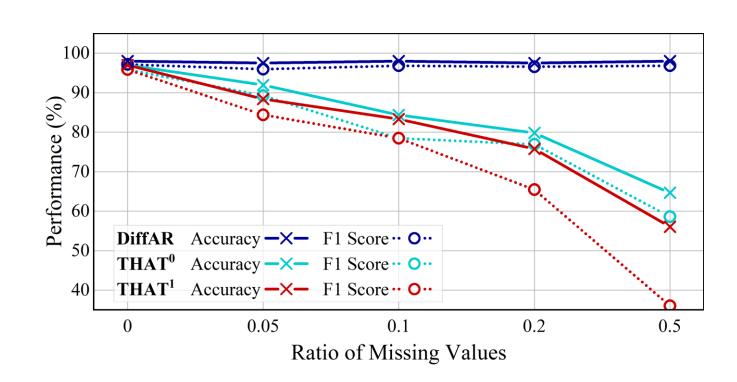
CSI-based HAR performance is hampered by incomplete CSI recordings due to fixed window sizes in CSI collection and human/machine errors that incur missing values in CSI.

CONTRIBUTIONS

- DiffAR strengthens CSI-based HAR using diffusion models.
- An adaptive conditioner guides the progressive steps with step-specific conditions for diffusion models to synthesize patterns of different granularity.

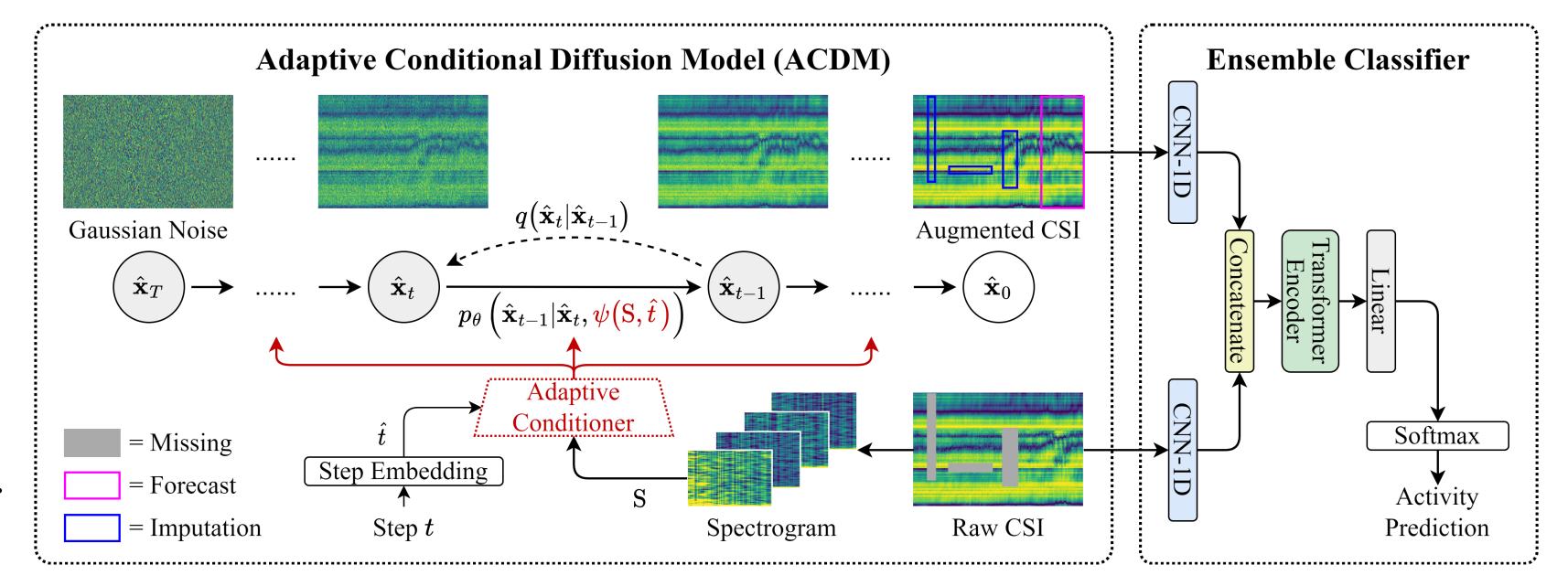
EXAMPLE

Comparison of **DiffAR** and **THAT** under different ratios of missing values in CSI. **THAT**^o is tuned by samples with missing values, while **THAT**¹ is not tuned by samples with missing values.



DiffAR

Overview of the proposed DiffAR. DiffAR augments incomplete WiFi CSI with diffusion models to improve the performance of CSI-based HAR.



FORMULATION

Adaptive Conditioner $\mathbf{c}_t = \psi(\mathbf{S}, \hat{\mathbf{t}}) = v(\mathbf{S}) \cdot \varphi(\omega \hat{\mathbf{t}} + \mathbf{b})$ Objective $L^a(\theta) \coloneqq \mathbb{E}[\|\epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_t, t, \mathbf{c}_t)\|^2] = \mathbb{E}[\|\epsilon - \epsilon_{\theta}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_t, t, \psi(\mathbf{S}, \hat{\mathbf{t}}))\|^2]$

Algorithm 1 Training repeat 1: $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_0 \sim q(\mathbf{x})$ # regard raw CSI as augmented CSI 2: $\mathbf{S}' = \operatorname{stft}(\mathbf{x}')$ where $\mathbf{x}' = \operatorname{mask}(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_0)$ 3: $\hat{\mathbf{t}} = \operatorname{embed}(t)$ where $t \sim \operatorname{Uniform}(\{1, ..., T\})$ 4: $\mathbf{c}'_t = \psi(\mathbf{S}', \hat{\mathbf{t}})$ # apply the adaptive conditioner 5: $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ 6: Take gradient step on 7: $\nabla_{\theta} \| \boldsymbol{\epsilon} - \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta} \left(\sqrt{\overline{\alpha}_t} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_0 + \sqrt{1 - \overline{\alpha}_t} \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, t, \mathbf{c}'_t \right) \|^2$ until converged

Algorithm 2 Synthesis Input: incomplete CSI $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{C \times N}$ 1: $\mathbf{S} = \operatorname{stft}(\mathbf{x})$ 2: $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_T \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ where $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_T \in \mathbb{R}^{C \times (1 + \lambda_{\mathrm{fc}})N}$ 3: $\mathbf{for}\ t = T, ..., 1\ \mathbf{do}$ 4: $\hat{t} = \operatorname{embed}(t)$ 5: $\mathbf{z} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$ if t > 1 else $\mathbf{z} = 0$ 6: $\mathbf{c}_t = \psi\left(\mathbf{S}, \hat{t}\right)$ # apply the adaptive conditioner 7: $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{t-1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha_t}}\left(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_t - \frac{\beta_t}{\sqrt{1-\bar{\alpha}_t}}\boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{\theta}\left(\hat{\mathbf{x}}_t, t, \mathbf{c}_t\right)\right) + \sigma_t \mathbf{z}$ 8: $\mathbf{end}\ \mathbf{for}$ return $\hat{\mathbf{x}}_0$

CONCLUSION & FUTURE WORK

- DiffAR achieves the best quality of augmented CSI
- DiffAR outperforms state-of-the-art CSI-based HAR models
- Future work 1: Class imbalance in WiFi sensing
- Future work 2: Human sensing with dual-band WiFi singals

