impl TopKMeasure for ZeroConcentratedDivergence

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1 Hoare Triple

Precondition

Compiler-verified

- Method noisy_top_k Types consistent with pseudocode.
- Method privacy_map Types consistent with pseudocode.

Caller-verified

- Method random_variable
 - x elements are non-null.
 - scale is non-null and non-negative.
- Method privacy_map
 - d_in is non-null and positive.
 - scale is non-null and positive.

Pseudocode

```
class ZeroConcentratedDivergence(TopKMeasure):
      ONE_SHOT = True
      RV = GumbelRV
      @staticmethod
      def random_variable(shift: FBig, scale: FBig) -> GumbelRV:
          return GumbelRV(shift=shift, scale=scale)
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      @staticmethod
      def privacy_map(d_in: f64, scale: f64, k: usize) -> f64:
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              raise ValueError("input distance must be non-negative")
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          if scale.is_zero():
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              return f64.INFINITY
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          return d_in.inf_div(scale).inf_mul(f64.inf_cast(k))
```

Postcondition

Theorem 1.1. The implementation is consistent with all associated items in the TopKMeasure trait.

- 1. Method random_variable: Returns the index of the top element z_i , where each $z_i \sim \text{DISTRIBUTION}(\text{shift} = y_i, \text{scale} = \text{scale})$, and each $y_i = -x_i$ if negate, else $y_i = x_i$, k times with removal.
- 2. Method privacy_map: For any x, x' where $d_{\text{in}} \geq d_{\text{Range}}(x, x')$, return $d_{\text{out}} \geq D_{\text{self}}(f(x), f(x'))$, where $f(x) = \text{noisy_top_k}(x = x, k = 1, \text{scale} = \text{scale})$.

Definition 1.2. A random variable follows the Gumbel distribution if it has density

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\beta} e^{-e^{-z} - z} \tag{1}$$

where $z = \frac{x-\mu}{\beta}$, μ is the shift (location) parameter and β is the scale parameter.

Proof of postcondition: random_variable. The preconditions of gumbel_noisy_max are met, therefore by the postcondition of gumbel_top_k, the postcondition of random_variable is satisfied.

Proof of postcondition: privacy_map. By Lemma 4.2 of [2], $\mathcal{M}_{Gumbel}^k(x)$ is equal in distribution to the peeling exponential mechanism, which is the k-fold composition of the exponential mechanism. Proposition 2 of [1] shows that the exponential mechanism satisfies the zCDP privacy guarantee.

References

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