# Privacy Budget Scheduling

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## Example: Messaging App



users, devices

functionality

database of user data





traditional code

## What Can Leak?





traditional code



traditional

code



### Yes, but it depends at which level we apply it

traditional

code

## DP at Individual Model Level

- Privacy attacks find data points that make a given observed model more likely
- DP randomizes the training procedure of a model (e.g., SGD) to guarantee that no data point drastically increases the likelihood of the outputted model.
- The increase in likelihood of the outputted model. is controlled by the **privacy loss**  $\varepsilon > 0$

O:

**Definition.** A randomized procedure  $f: D \to O$  over databases is  $(\varepsilon, \delta)$ differentially private if for all databases  $d_1, d_2 \in D$  that differ in one data point, and for all output sets  $S \subseteq$ 

### $\Pr[f(d_1) \in S] \leq e^{arepsilon} \Pr[f(d_2) \in S] + \delta$











What can leak?

(Dinur-Nissim-03) Theoretical Result: Release of too many, too accurate statistics from a database **fundamentally** enables the database's reconstruction.

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# Our Vision: Privacy as a Compute Resource

• DP composes, so ML training tasks consume a global privacy budget  $\varepsilon_G$ 

$$\sum_{task \ i} arepsilon_i \leq arepsilon_G.$$

- Privacy should be a **compute resource**, alongside CPU, GPU, RAM
- We must schedule privacy efficiently and fairly:
  - Can we use existing schedulers? Which ones?
  - Which fairness/efficiency properties?

## PrivateKube



- Extension for Kubernetes that adds privacy as a new **resource** alongside traditional compute resources
- New scheduler: **Dominant Privacy Fairness (DPF)**, a variant of Dominant Resource Fairness (DRF)
- DPF enjoys similar **fairness properties** as DRF, with some definitional changes to account for privacy characteristics



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ML workload



Private data blocks



### Pipeline demands for privacy budget





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## DRF as a Basis

- Dominant Resource Fairness (DRF) to allocate **multiple resources** (Ghodsi+11)
- Popular for datacenters (CPU, GPU, RAM)
- For compute, it gives **max-min** fairness over m resources

 $R = \langle R_1, \ldots, R_m \rangle$  resource capacities  $C = \langle C_1, \ldots, C_m \rangle$  consumed resources

DominantShare $(d_i) := \max_j \frac{d_{i,j}}{R_i}$ 

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OnSchedulerTimer(WaitingJobs):
   for i \in SortedJobs :
       if C + d_i \leq R:
          C \leftarrow C + d_i
```

### Algorithm 1. DRF

 $SortedJobs \leftarrow sortBy(DominantShare, WaitingJobs)$ 

t = 1



Demands for budget



block 1 block 2



Demands for budget



t = 1



Demands for budget



block 1 block 2





Demands for budget

block 1 block 2

Pipeline 3

1.0

1.0





Demands for budget



### Dominant Privacy Fairness (DPF)

- Idea: unlock privacy budget for each block progressively, so budget remains for the future
- Like DRF but only for the first N pipelines for each block, and besteffort scheduling for the others

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### Algorithm 2. DPF-N

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OnPipelineArrival(d_i):
    for j \in \{j : d_{i,j} > 0\}:
        U_j \leftarrow \min(R_j, U_j + \frac{R_j}{N})
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Pipeline 1



block 1 block 2

Incoming pipelines





block 1 block 2

t = 1



Pipeline 1



block 1 block 2

Incoming pipelines

**DPF** queue

block 1 block 2



Pipeline 2



block 1 block 2

Pipeline 1



block 1 block 2

### Incoming pipelines

DPF queue



block 1 block 2





Incoming pipelines

DPF queue



block 1 block 2



### Incoming pipelines

**DPF** queue



block 1 block 2
t=2

### Pipeline 1



block 1 block 2

### Incoming pipelines

DPF queue



block 1 block 2





### Incoming pipelines

DPF queue



block 1 block 2





Incoming pipelines

DPF queue



block 1 block 2



Incoming pipelines

**DPF** queue



block 1 block 2

$$t=3$$

Pipeline 3



block 1 block 2

Incoming pipelines

DPF queue



block 1 block 2

# **DPF** Properties

## Max-min fairness only for the first N **pipelines** over any block

### Game theoretic properties:

- sharing incentive
- strategy-proofness
- dynamic envy-freeness
- Pareto-efficiency

**Definition.** A pipeline is a *fair* demand pipeline if:

 $\epsilon_i^G/N$  and

a) its demand for each one of the blocks is smaller than the fair share

b) it is within the first N pipelines that requested some budget for all its requested blocks



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# Methodology Questions

- How does DPF compare to baseline schedulers?
- How do workload characteristics impact DPF?
- How does the DP semantic impact DPF?

## Workloads

- Microbenchmark:  $\varepsilon \in \{0.01\varepsilon^G, 0.1\varepsilon^G\}$ , either the last block or the 10 last blocks
- Macrobenchmark: NLP pipelines and summary statistics over the Amazon Reviews dataset with various demands

## How does DPF compare to baseline schedulers?

Allocation



N parameter for DPF and RR

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Latency





N parameter for DPF and RR

Pipeline scheduling delay



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Latency







# Conclusion

- Privacy as a resource that should be tracked and scheduled
- PrivateKube incorporates privacy as a new resource into Kubernetes and provides **Dominant Privacy Fairness (DPF)**, the first scheduling algorithm suitable for this non-replenishable resource.
- Changes to the algorithm and fairness definitions show that scheduling privacy is a new problem, for which more work is needed.

Code and paper: https://columbia.github.io/PrivateKube **Contact:** pierre@cs.columbia.edu

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