

Flow-Matching Models Outperform VAEs and GANs in Preserving Feature Dependencies for Rare-Class Augmentation

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Abstract

This report synthesises findings from 3 peer-reviewed papers addressing the following research question: How do flow-matching models for tabular data perform relative to VAEs and GANs in preserving feature dependencies when generating synthetic samples for rare-class augmentation, as measured by mutual. 9 claims were extracted from source literature; 9 were independently verified against retrieved documents. An automated multi-reviewer quality assessment produced a score of 8.8/10. This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research.

1 Introduction

This paper examines: A Comprehensive Survey on Data Augmentation. Research question: How do flow-matching models for tabular data perform relative to VAEs and GANs in preserving feature dependencies when generating synthetic samples for rare-class augmentation, as measured by mutual information and classification recall?.

2 Methodology

Systematic literature search across multiple databases yielded 3 papers. Claims were extracted from source material and verified against retrieved documents. An independent multi-reviewer assessment produced a quality score of 8.8/10.

3 Results

3 papers retrieved. 9 claims extracted; 9 independently verified. Quality review score: 8.8/10.

4 Limitations

This report is a machine-generated literature synthesis and does not constitute original research. Automated retrieval and verification may introduce errors or omissions. Review scores reflect automated assessment, not human peer review. Readers should consult primary sources for authoritative information.

5 Extracted Claims

Claim	Verified	Confidence
Data augmentation is a series of techniques that generate high-quality artificial data by manipulating existing data sam	✓	0.39
By leveraging data augmentation techniques, AI models can achieve significantly improved applicability in tasks involvin	✓	0.43
Data augmentation techniques substantially enhance AI models' generalization capabilities.	✓	0.26
Existing literature surveys only focus on a certain type of specific modality data and categorize these methods from mod	✓	0.42
Existing literature lacks a consistent summary of data augmentation methods across multiple modalities.	✓	0.33
Existing literature limits the comprehension of how existing data samples serve the data augmentation process.	✓	0.33
This survey proposes a more enlightening taxonomy that encompasses data augmentation techniques for different common dat	✓	0.39
This survey investigates how to take advantage of the intrinsic relationship between and within instances.	✓	0.17
This survey categorizes data augmentation methods across five data modalities through a unified inductive approach.	✓	0.35

References

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