Supplementary material for ACTIVETHIEF: Model Extraction Using Active Learning and Unannotated Public Data

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Details of secret datasets

The details of image and text datasets are given in Tables 8 and 9 below. 20% of the training dataset was set aside as the validation set, wherever a validation set was unavailable. For the text datasets, we truncate the vocabulary to the 5K most frequent words in the dataset. Out of vocabulary words are replaced with a OOV token, and sentences are prepended with a START token. All sequences are padded to a maximum length of 300 with a special PAD token.

| | MNIST | CIFAR-10 | GTSRB |
|-----------------|-------|----------|-------|
| Resolution | 28x28 | 32x32 | 32x32 |
| Channels | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| # Train samples | 48K | 40K | 31K |
| # Valid samples | 12K | 10K | 8K |
| # Test samples | 10K | 10K | 12K |
| # Classes | 10 | 10 | 43 |
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Table 9: Details of text datasets

| | MR | IMDB | AG News |
|----------------------|------|------|---------|
| Dictionary | 5K | 5K | 5K |
| # Train samples | 7.7K | 20K | 96K |
| # Valid samples | 1.9K | 5K | 24K |
| # Test samples | 1K | 25K | 7.6K |
| # Classes | 2 | 2 | 5 |
| Mean sequence length | 20 | 237 | 32 |

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Training regime for the substitute model of Papernot et al. (2017)

We use a value of $\lambda = 0.1$, as recommended in the paper. The number of initial samples and augmentation steps is adjusted, as shown in Table 10. This is done to ensure that the number of queries made to the secret model is 9.6K (for MNIST and CIFAR-10) and 13.76K (for GTSRB), allowing for a fair comparison to ACTIVETHIEF, where we use a total budget of 10K (20% of the queries being used for validation, and the remaining 80% being used for training).

Table 10: Hyperparameters used for the training of the substitute model of Papernot et al. (2017)

| | MNIST, CIFAR-10 | GTSRB |
|---------------------------|-----------------|--------|
| λ | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Augmentation steps | 7 | 6 |
| Initial samples per class | 15 | 10 |
| Total queries made | 9.6K | 13.76K |

The Shapiro-Wilk test

Consider a situation in which a client makes n queries $x_1, x_2, \ldots x_n$, which are subsequently classified as belonging to the classes $y_1, y_2, \ldots y_n$. The minimum distance values are computed as: $d_i = \min_{j < i, y_j = y_i} ||x_i - x_j||_2$, where d_i is vacuously set to 0 where required. Using these distance values, the following test statistic is computed:

$$W(D) = \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i d_{(i)}\right)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (d_i - \bar{d})^2}$$

where $D = \{d_i\}_{i=1}^n$, and $d_{(i)}$ refers to the i^{th} order statistic of D, and the values of a_i are functions of the i^{th} expected order statistics of i.i.d. normally distributed random variables. When $W(D) < \delta$, PRADA rejects the null hypothesis and claims that an attack has been detected. For our experiments, we use a value of $\delta = 0.9$.

Distribution of labels predicted by the secret model for uniform noise samples

We generate data by sampling from a multidimensional version of the U[0, 1] uniform distribution. Note that this is a SNPD dataset, and corresponds to the simple equationsolving attack of Tramèr et al. (2016). The outputs produced by the secret model are recorded, and then averaged. The frequency of the resulting values are reported for the MNIST and CIFAR-10 datasets in Figure 5. We observe a similar distribution for the GTSRB dataset, but we omit the corresponding results as there are 43 classes in the dataset. We speculate that due to the lack of samples from certain classes (Digits 0-3, and 7-9 in MNIST), the secret model is unable to classify them correctly, leading to poor agreement.



Figure 5: The distribution of labels (frequency in %) assigned by the secret model to uniform noise (SNPD) input.

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