# **Efficient Differentially Private Fine-Tuning** of Diffusion Models

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# **Motivation**

- Differential Privacy usually comes with a significant utility cost
- **Diffusion Models (DM) enable high-quality synthetic generation**
- Can we leverage synthetic samples to protect privacy?
- [Ghalebikesabi et al., 23] shows that fully fine-tuned DM (with DP-SGD) on private data can generate useful synthetic images
- However, full fine-tuning DM with DP-SGD is resource-demanding in terms of memory and computation
- Parameter-Efficient Fine-Tuning (PEFT) is popular in LLMs, can we **Ieverage PEFT for finetuning DM with DP-SGD?**



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### **Low-Dimensional Adaptation** (LoDA) for convolution layer



# **Empirical Results**

access to full MNIST train set).

Table 1. MNIST test accuracy of CNN Table 2. CIFAR-10 test accuracy of ResNet9 for each DP Table 3. CIFAR-10 test accuracy of ResNet9 for each DP classifier for each DP training method (with training method (with access to full CIFAR-10 training set). training method (with access to 1% CIFAR-10 training set).  $\delta = 10^{-5}$ 

Method	$(\epsilon = 10, \delta = 10^{-5})$
DP-LDM	94.3
<b>DP-LoDA</b>	95.0
<b>DP-Diffusion</b>	95.9
DP-SGD	79.3
No DP	99.4

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Method	$\epsilon = 1$	$\epsilon = 5$	$\epsilon = 10$
DP-LDM	$51.3\pm0.1$	$59.1\pm0.2$	$65.3\pm0.3$
DP-LoDA	$60.2\pm0.2$	$62.2\pm0.4$	$63.5\pm1.8$
<b>DP-Diffusion</b>	$66.3\pm0.4$	$69.6\pm0.2$	$69.7\pm1.4$
DP-SGD	$36.5\pm0.9$	$47.4\pm0.9$	$48.3\pm0.2$
DP-MEPF ( $\phi_1, \phi_2$ )	28.9	47.9	48.9
DP-MEPF ( $\phi_1$ )	29.4	48.5	51.0
DP-MERF	13.8	13.4	13.2
No DP		90.7	

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Method	$\epsilon = 1$	$\epsilon = 10$
DP-LoDA	54.2	53.6
<b>DP-Diffusion</b>	54.6	55.9
DP-SGD	11.5	21.2
No DP	52.5	

\*Dimension r is set to 4 for DP-LoDA in all experiments.



Figure. Generated images by Diffusion Model after DP-LoDA fine-tuning with ( $\epsilon = 10, \delta = 10^{-5}$ ) on 1% CIFAR-10 training set.