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# Coexistence of Deepfake Defenses: Addressing the Poisoning Challenge

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**ABSTRACT** As Generative Adversarial Networks advance, deepfakes have become increasingly realistic, thereby escalating societal, economic, and political threats. In confronting these heightened risks, the research community has identified two promising defensive strategies: proactive deepfake disruption and reactive deepfake detection. Typically, proactive and reactive defenses coexist, each addressing the shortcomings of the other. However, this paper brings to the fore a critical yet overlooked issue associated with the simultaneous deployment of these deepfake countermeasures. Genuine images gathered from the Internet, already imbued with disrupting perturbations, can lead to data poisoning in the training datasets of deepfake detection models, thereby severely affecting detection accuracy. We propose an improved training framework to address this problem in deepfake detection models. Our approach involves purifying the disrupting perturbations in disruptive images using a backward process of the denoising diffusion probabilistic model (DDPM). Images purified using our DDPM-based technique closely mimic the original, unperturbed images, thereby enabling the successful generation of deepfake images for training purposes. Moreover, our purification process outperforms DiffPure, a prominent adversarial purification method, in terms of speed. While conventional defensive techniques struggle to preserve detection accuracy in the face of a poisoned training dataset, our framework markedly reduces this accuracy drop, thus achieving superior performance across a range of detection models. Our experiments demonstrate that deepfake detection models trained using our framework exhibit an increase in detection accuracy ranging from 11.24%p to 45.72%p when compared to models trained with the DiffPure method. Our implementation is available at <https://github.com/seclab-yonsei/Anti-disrupt>.

**INDEX TERMS** Deepfake, deepfake detection, deepfake disruption, data poisoning, adversarial purification.

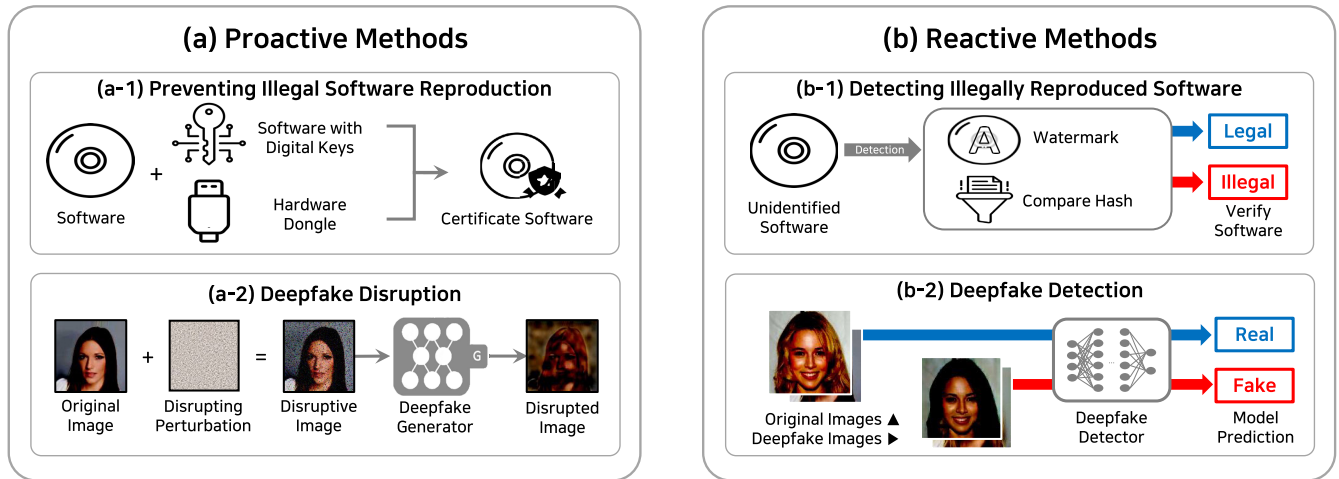
## I. INTRODUCTION

Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs) [1] have revolutionized the field of synthetic face generation. With rapid progress in GAN-based technologies [2], [3], [4], the emergence of highly convincing deepfake imagery poses a formidable challenge, often imperceptible to the naked eye. Such advancements have substantial implications, especially

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when misused for nefarious purposes in cybercrimes, with the potential to inflict severe political, social, and economic harm. In response, research communities have intensified to develop robust defense mechanisms against deepfake exploitation.

Defense strategies against deepfakes typically fall into two categories: proactive and reactive methods. Proactive defenses aim to preemptively thwart the creation or spread of deepfakes, while reactive defenses focus on identifying and mitigating the effects post-creation. These two paradigms



**FIGURE 1.** Defense techniques are categorized as either proactive or reactive based on their timing of intervention. Proactive methods are designed to prevent issues before they arise, while reactive methods address issues post-occurrence. This categorization also applies to deepfake defense strategies.

generally operate in tandem, each fortifying the other, to form a comprehensive security infrastructure. Their synergistic application is crucial for a robust defense against the multifaceted threats posed by deepfake technology.

In this context, two countermeasures are currently under investigation: proactive deepfake disruption and deepfake detection. Deepfake disruption [5] aims to obstruct the generation of deepfakes by introducing disruptive perturbations to the authentic image. This method, inspired by existing adversarial attacks [6], [7], [8], utilizes a gradient of loss as a perturbation that maximizes the distortion of the deepfake generator output. Conversely, deepfake detection [9], [10] is a technology that employs deep learning models to discern whether an input image is authentic or fabricated. Techniques for deepfake detection include spatial-based detection [11], which seeks visual artifacts; frequency-based detection [12], which identifies features in the frequency domain; and biological signal-based detection [13], which leverages biological signals.

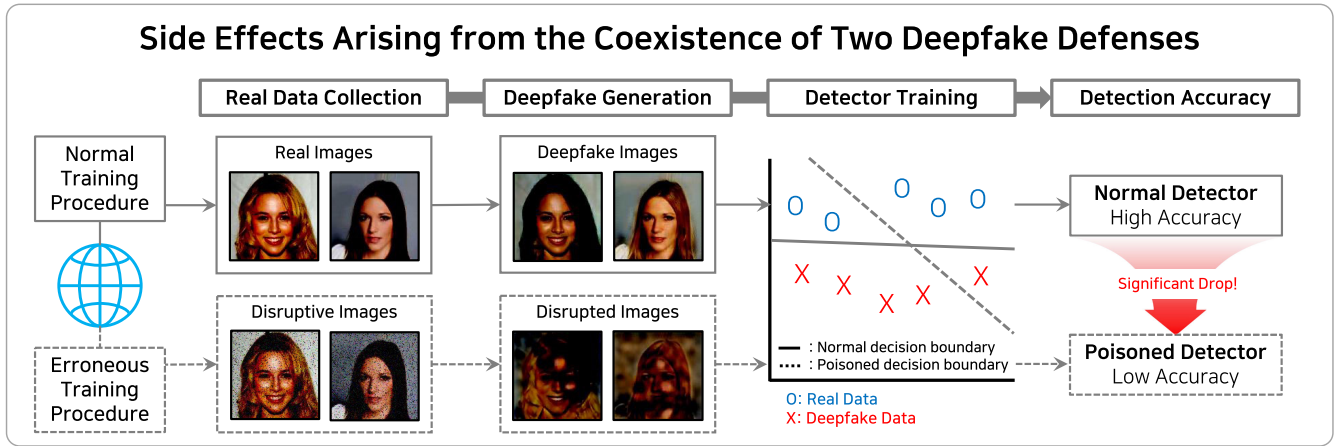
The two defense techniques have distinct roles and naturally coexist within a deepfake environment. However, this prompts a fundamental question: *Are there any complications arising from the simultaneous adoption of both countermeasures?* Due to the divergent objectives of disruption and detection, we have found that disruption can inadvertently contribute to the issue of data poisoning, leading to a substantial decrease in detection model accuracy. Disruption techniques aim to ensure that images uploaded by users onto the Internet are safeguarded from use as deepfake images. In contrast, detection techniques necessitate the generation of a training dataset from deepfake images downloaded from the Internet. Therefore, the training dataset for detectors can potentially be contaminated through the inclusion of disrupted images. While these issues may arise in real-world applications, they have not been previously addressed. To tackle this problem, it's crucial to ensure the effective operation of the deepfake generator. Adversarial

defense techniques can be implemented to stabilize the model's output. However, existing solutions fail to generate fake images that are advantageous for the detection model. Adversarial training [5] helps form robust model parameters but can inadvertently cause model deformations. On the other hand, adversarial purification effectively eliminates perturbations in the input. However, the leading method called DiffPure [14] compromises the semantics of the original input by introducing unnecessary noise.

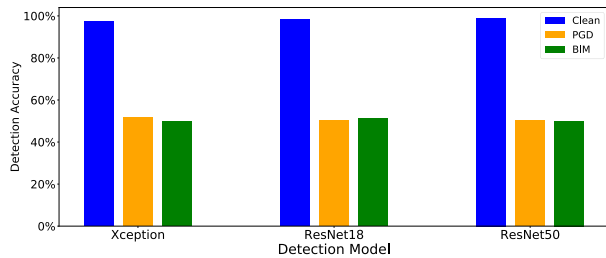
In this paper, we introduce a detector training framework designed to address the problem we first raised above. For this purpose, We employ a diffusion model [15] to cleanse the perturbations from the distorted real images, without altering the parameters of the deepfake generator responsible for producing the fake training images. Our approach uses a diffusion model similar to DiffPure [14] but we do not conduct a forward process that introduces noise to the input. Instead, we perform solely a reverse process to remove perturbations, rendering purification more effective and efficient. We evaluated the performance of our framework in comparison to DiffPure [14] and adversarially trained StarGAN (StarGAN AT) [5]. The results of our purification process yield  $L_2$  distances comparable to those of existing purification methods. Furthermore, the distribution of deepfake images produced by our method aligns more closely with the original deepfakes compared to existing methods.

The contributions of this paper are as follows:

- We revisit deepfake disruption and detection as countermeasures from a conventional security perspective. Our first concern is that the coexistence of two countermeasures, *disruption* and *detection*, against deepfakes may inevitably cause their conflict at the training phase of detection models (§III). To highlight this concern, we empirically demonstrate that the accuracy of detection models drops significantly when their training datasets are poisoned by disrupted images.



**FIGURE 2.** Background and motivation of this work. The coexistence of two defense mechanisms can lead to data poisoning in the training dataset of detectors. If disruptive images are collected from the Internet and used to train the detector, the detection accuracy will be significantly reduced.



**FIGURE 3.** Detection accuracy. Deepfake detection models are trained on a clean dataset and a poisoned dataset, respectively. PGD and BIM are adversarial attack methods used for disruption. From a defender’s perspective, the percentage of poisoned data is set to 100%, assuming the worst-case scenario.

- We introduce a robust training method that involves the purification of disruptive perturbations to mitigate data poisoning in deepfake detection models (§IV). By capitalizing on the denoising method DDPM and bypassing the step of adding random noise, our approach decreases both the distortion and execution time of the generated outputs.
- Through comparative analysis with DiffPure and adversarially trained StarGAN, we demonstrate that our framework is successful in generating real images that result in deepfake images, visually similar to standard fake images. This similarity is comparable to that achieved by existing methods (§V-B). Furthermore, our method significantly outperforms existing methods in terms of detection accuracy when the training dataset is poisoned (§V-C).

**II. BACKGROUND**

In this section, we summarize traditional security issues, deepfake issues, and their respective defenses to view the coexistence of deepfake defense methods that are not covered from a traditional security perspective.

**A. SECURITY CONCERNS IN THE PHYSICAL WORLD**

1) TRADITIONAL ISSUES

As technology develops, various risks arise in various fields. Examples include software piracy, network intrusion, and image piracy.

*a: SOFTWARE PIRACY*

Software piracy is the use or distribution of software without permission or payment of fair value. Software piracy infringes on copyright and causes economic losses for software developers. In the long run, this can lead to a decrease in the quality of the software.

*b: NETWORK INTRUSION*

Network intrusion means gaining access to an unauthorized network or server. Allowing unauthorized access to a network can result in the theft or corruption of data on the network.

*c: IMAGE PIRACY*

Image piracy is the use of an image without permission from the copyright holder. Image piracy, similar to software piracy, infringes on the creator’s copyright and causes economic losses. Creators suffer from reduced creativity and, in the long run, lower-quality images.

2) RECENT ISSUE: DEEFAKE

There arise many side effects that exploit the technology of generative AI. The most representative problem is deepfake. Deepfake is a technology that modifies the face or features of a person in an image or video. The improvement of generative AI makes it difficult for the human eye to distinguish the difference between an AI-generated image and a normal image. By exploiting this, attackers can create deepfake images by blending the faces of acquaintances into sensitive images, or create deepfake images of politicians to cause political damage. In May 2023, a deepfake video

of an explosion at the Pentagon went viral, causing stock markets to drop.<sup>1</sup> A video of the president of warring Ukraine declaring his surrender went viral as well.<sup>2</sup> Similar to traditional security issues, deepfakes undermine the reliability of information and can instigate legal and social issues. Thus, it is imperative to adopt a traditional security perspective that encompasses both proactive and reactive approaches to adequately defend against the threats posed by deepfakes.

## B. PROACTIVE DEFENSE METHOD

The proactive defense method aims to prevent issues before they occur, as shown in Fig. 1-a.

### 1) TRADITIONAL PROACTIVE DEFENSE

A variety of proactive defense methods such as software piracy prevention, firewalls, and watermarking have been used to prevent the traditional security concerns described in II-A1.

#### a: SOFTWARE PIRACY PREVENTION

Software piracy prevention strategies are designed to combat illegal copying by employing obfuscation techniques or ensuring that only authorized users have access to the software. Typically, these approaches incorporate the use of license keys [16] or hardware dongles [17], and of late, blockchain technology [18], which has been applied across various fields.

#### b: FIREWALL

A firewall [19] functions as a security barrier that selectively blocks communication from specific IPs or ports to prevent unauthorized network access. It operates on predefined security rules to filter out potential attackers by restricting entry through unauthorized ports.

#### c: WATERMARKING

Watermarking [20] operates as a prevention against unauthorized use by embedding a unique mark, such as a company logo or owner's mark, into an image. However, this method carries the risk that watermarks, if merely added, can be removed, permitting the unauthorized use of protected content.

### 2) PROACTIVE DEEPFAKE DEFENSE: DEEPFAKE DISRUPTION

Similar to traditional proactive defense methods, deepfake disruption prevents potential issues associated with deepfake techniques, which are described in II-A2. Deepfake disruption introduces a perturbation to the real image, as depicted in Fig. 1-(a-2), prompting the deepfake generator to produce an image significantly different from

<sup>1</sup><https://edition.cnn.com/2023/05/22/tech/twitter-fake-image-pentagon-explosion/index.html>

<sup>2</sup><https://www.foxnews.com/world/zelenskyy-deepfake-quality-manipulate-opinions>

the typical deepfake image. Although there are various methods to create perturbations, we focus on the approach that leverages adversarial attacks [5]. Adversarial attacks generate perturbations using the gradient of a deep learning model to deviate the output from the correct result. In this paper, we employ BIM [7] and PGD [8] attacks to generate disrupting perturbations, thereby interrupting deepfake generation. Further details on adversarial attacks can be found in §VII-B.

## C. REACTIVE DEFENSE METHOD

The reactive defense methods aim to address issues after they have occurred, as depicted in Fig. 1-b.

### 1) TRADITIONAL REACTIVE DEFENSE

A variety of methods are utilized to address the issues delineated in II-A1. Examples of traditional reactive defense methods include software piracy detection, network intrusion detection, and adding digital identifiers.

#### a: SOFTWARE PIRACY DETECTION

Software piracy detection is a method that verifies the legitimacy of the software in use by checking for any unauthorized modifications or copies through techniques like software integrity checking.

#### b: NETWORK INTRUSION DETECTION

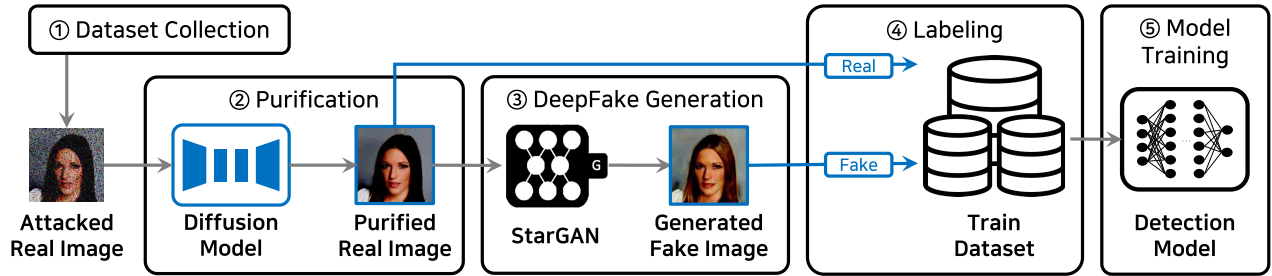
Network intrusion detection systems examine network communications within a device to determine their legitimacy and identify potential malicious intent. A notable example is Kitsune [21], which measures anomalies in network traffic for use in network intrusion detection systems (NIDS).

#### c: DIGITAL IDENTIFIER

Digital Identifiers are similar to adversarial attack techniques; they embed data within images using noise patterns imperceptible to the human eye. This embedded data can then trace the source of an image's leak or distribution and identify the responsible parties.

### 2) REACTIVE DEEPFAKE DEFENSE: DEEPFAKE DETECTION

Deepfake detection, similar to traditional reactive defense methods, addresses issues arising from deepfake technology, which is detailed in II-A2. Deepfake detection is a technique that primarily uses DNN models to ascertain whether an input image is a deepfake, as depicted in Fig. 1-(b-2). The training dataset for DNN models used in deepfake detection requires a substantial collection of real data, along with deepfakes generated from this collected data. In this paper, we select Xception [22] and ResNet [23], which are widely employed for deepfake detection, as our target models. Both models [11], [24] exploit unnatural artifacts present in the image to detect deepfakes.



**FIGURE 4.** Overview of our detection model training framework. The disruptive image with disruption perturbation is purified through the diffusion model and put into the deepfake generator to generate a deepfake image. Generated deepfake images are used to train the deepfake detection model.

### III. PROBLEM DEFINITION: COEXISTENCE OF DEEPAKE DEFENSE METHODS

Deepfake defense methods, such as deepfake disruption and deepfake detection, are designed to operate at different stages within a deepfake ecosystem. Diverse methods in a traditional security ecosystem currently operate at different stages. They not only coexist but also synergize, thereby reinforcing the overall defense. However, the efficacy of this paradigm is uncertain when applied to the deepfake ecosystem. Unlike the harmonious coexistence of strategies in traditional cases, the coexistence of deepfake disruption and detection techniques introduces a unique issue, as depicted in Fig. 2: the issue of ‘training data poisoning’. This phenomenon ultimately reduces detection accuracy.

Users who employ disruption may upload their perturbed images  $x'$  to the Internet to prevent their images from being exploited for deepfake generation. However, if these disruptive images  $x'$  are inadvertently collected for deepfake detector  $D$  training data while sourcing real data  $x$  from the Internet, the quality of the training data for detectors suffers. In essence, the training dataset becomes inundated with disruptive images, as opposed to standard deepfake images. As a result, vital information about deepfake images fails to reach the detectors, resulting in a significant decrease in their accuracy.

Fig. 3 illustrates the detection accuracy drop observed in our small experiments. Note that deepfake detectors perform quite accurately when their training data is comprised of clean real images only, but the detection accuracy severely drops almost by half when training data is constructed with disruptive real images in the worst-case scenario. From the defender’s perspective, we set the percentage of poisoned data to 100% for the rest of this paper, assuming the worst case scenario.

### IV. ROBUST TRAINING FRAMEWORK FOR DEEPAKE DETECTION AGAINST DATA POISONING

#### A. OVERVIEW

Our framework proceeds in a sequence of five steps as shown in Fig. 4: ① data collection, ② purification, ③ deepfake generation, ④ dataset labeling, and ⑤ model training. Our approach has two differences from the traditional

training of deepfake detection models in Fig. 2 (c). First, we newly deploy the purification step to address disruptive real images. Second, we discard the disruptive images and only consider the purified images from them for the later steps.

In the ① data collection step, we collect real images, regardless of whether the images are disruptive. Instead, all collected images are then fed into the diffusion model during the ② purification step. The diffusion model outputs new real images from the disruptive images where perturbations are removed. We adopt DDPM [15] as the diffusion model structure. In the ③ deepfake generation step, we feed the output images of the diffusion model into the generative model instead of the collected real images to get the normal fake images. The generative model produces results that are almost similar to the output of the normal real images. We label the purified real images as real and the generated fake images as fake during the ④ dataset labeling step. Finally, in the ⑤ training step, we train the detector using the labeled data.

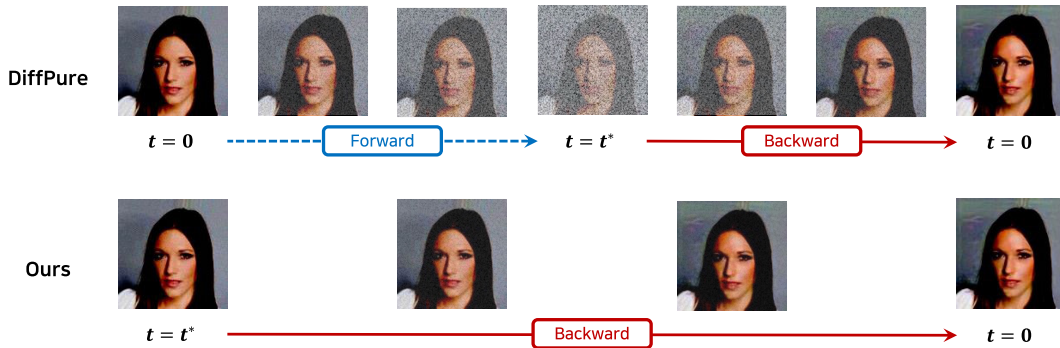
#### B. DIFFUSION PURIFICATION

**Basic idea of DDPM.** In the training phase, DDPM takes an input image  $x_0$ , transforms it into a completely noisy image  $x_T$  through a forward process, and then restores it back to the original image  $x_0$  through a reverse process. The forward process is denoted as  $q(x_t | x_{t-1})$ . The image  $x_t$  is generated by combining the preceding image  $x_{t-1}$  with noise  $\mathbf{I}$  in a ratio of  $1 - \beta_t$  to  $\beta_t$ . This process creates a noisy image by introducing noise up to the targeted timestep  $T$ , as dictated by  $t$ . Here,  $t$  is an integer between 0 and  $T$  that represents the level of noise in the image.

$$q(x_t | x_{t-1}) := \mathcal{N}(x_t; \sqrt{1 - \beta_t}x_{t-1}, \beta_t\mathbf{I}) \quad (1)$$

The reverse process, denoted as  $p_\theta(x_{t-1} | x_t)$ , essentially reverses the forward process to produce an image  $x'_0$  from the noisy image  $x_T$ . An image  $x_{t-1}$  at timestep  $t - 1$  is generated using the mean,  $\mu_\theta(x_t, t)$ , and variance,  $\Sigma_\theta(x_t, t)$ , derived from the image  $x_t$  from the previous step.

$$p_\theta(x_{t-1} | x_t) := \mathcal{N}(x_{t-1}; \mu_\theta(x_t, t), \Sigma_\theta(x_t, t)) \quad (2)$$



**FIGURE 5.** The difference between our method and DiffPure [14]. DiffPure adds noise to the image in a forward process up to timestep  $t^*$  and then removes it in a reverse process. Ours removes the noise using only the reverse process from timestep  $t^*$ .

1) OUR PURIFICATION STRATEGY.

In our purification method, we only employ the reverse process  $R$  of DDPM. Given a clean real image  $x$ , let  $x'$  denote the corresponding disruptive image. We input  $x'$  into DDPM, specifying the timestep  $t = t^*$  as the starting point of purification, so  $x_{t^*} = x'$ . In essence, we are assuming that  $x'$  is a real image with added little noise, not the complete noise.

$$x_{t-1} = R_{t-1}(x_t) \tag{3}$$

Our reverse process continues until the timestep reaches  $t = 0$  with  $x_0 = \hat{x}$  where  $\hat{x}$  represents the purified image.

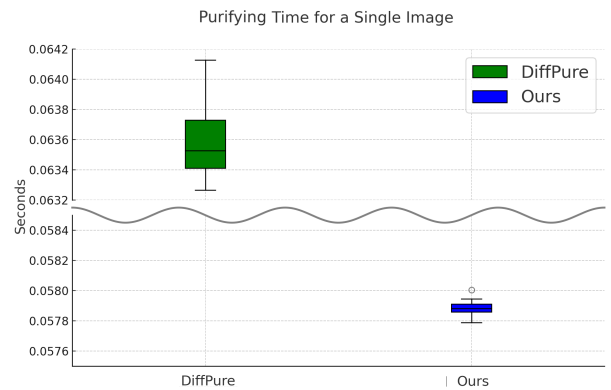
$$\hat{x} = \sum_{t=t^*}^0 R_t(x') \tag{4}$$

2) TECHNICAL DIFFERENCE FROM DIFFPURE

Our purification step is designed by referring to DiffPure. DiffPure also inputs  $x'$  into the diffusion model, but it employs both forward and reverse processes, starting from  $t = t_0$  where  $x_0 = x'$ . The objective of DiffPure is to retain only the generalized knowledge of the input image, enabling the classification model to correctly classify the image. To accomplish this, DiffPure adds noise to the image during the forward process from  $t = 0$  to  $t = t^*$ , thereby gradually eliminating the local structures of adversarial examples. However, our goal differs in that we do not generalize the image, but restore it precisely to its original form. According to the work of [15], as more time steps are taken in the forward process and the magnitude of the noise increases, the image restored by the reverse process becomes more different from the original image. This suggests that the more the forward process repeats, the more detail in the original image is destroyed. Therefore, we preserve more detail in the original image than DiffPure by removing the forward process.

C. TIMESTEP FOR PURIFICATION

DiffPure argues that a substantial amount of noise is needed to remove the local structure, leading them to set the timestep  $t^*$  to a relatively large value of 300. However, a larger timestep not only introduces more disruption to the image in both the



**FIGURE 6.** Time is taken to purify a single image in Diffpure and Ours. Ours is 0.00572 seconds faster than DiffPure to process one image, achieving a 9.88% average time savings. DiffPure’s fastest time is 8.31% slower than Ours’ slowest time. We used Group B images in the CelebA dataset.

forward and reverse processes, but it also prolongs the process due to an increased number of iterations. As the magnitude of the disruption perturbation is nearly imperceptible to the human eye, there’s no need for a large  $t^*$ . Consequently, we choose a smaller timestep value of  $t^* = 10$  to enhance efficiency and resilience. In this scenario, the DDPM’s timestep  $t_T$  is set to 1000.

V. EVALUATION

To evaluate the performance of the proposed framework, we formulated two research questions and conducted experiments to answer them. **RQ1** investigates whether normal deepfake images can be generated from disruptive images through purification (§V-B). **RQ2** verifies whether a training dataset constructed by our purification can uphold the accuracy of the deepfake detector (§V-C).

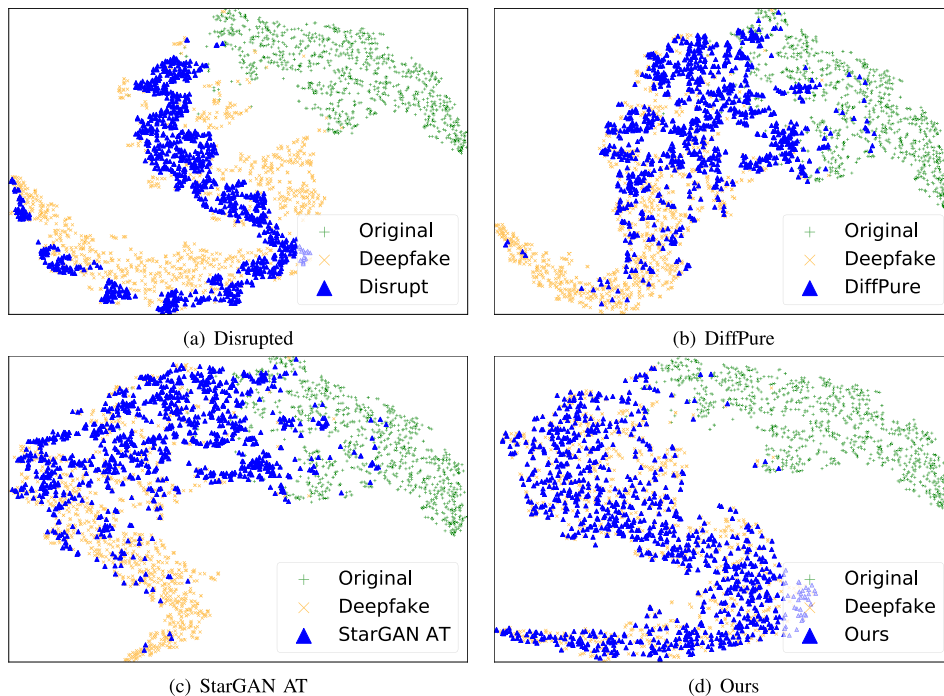
A. EXPERIMENTAL SETTINGS

1) DEEPFAKE DATASET AND DETECTION MODEL

We divide the entire CelebA [26] dataset into three groups. Group A occupies the first 60% of the dataset and is assumed to be the original image dataset initially owned by the defender. All defense methods against disruption are trained with Group A images. Group B occupies the following 30%

**TABLE 1.** Purification performance of defense methods against the disruption. We measured the distance between the StarGAN output from the disruptive image and the normal deepfake image in the input ( $L_1$  and  $L_2$ ) and feature spaces (FID). Following the previous work [5], we consider the disruption fails when  $L_2$  distance is greater than or equal to 0.05.

Defense Model	PGD			BIM		
	FID	$L_1$	$L_2$	FID	$L_1$	$L_2$
No Defense	151.6	0.418	0.267	141.62	0.430	0.278
MagNet Reformer [25]	181.8	0.265	0.118	177.7	0.265	0.118
StarGAN AT [5]	33.5	0.080	0.012	34.1	0.081	0.012
DiffPure [14]	30.6	0.072	0.010	31.56	0.073	0.010
Ours	<u>38.3</u>	<u>0.083</u>	<u>0.013</u>	<u>32.3</u>	<u>0.075</u>	<u>0.010</u>



**FIGURE 7.** The distribution of defended deepfake images (in blue) against PGD-based disruption. Image features were extracted from the ResNet18 model for t-SNE visualization. The total number of samples in all subfigures is equal, and the data ratio of real images (Original), deepfake images of original real images (Deepfake), and deepfake images of disrupting real images is equal to 1:1:1 (i.e., about 33.3%). It can be seen that the deepfake images generated by 'Ours' in Figure 7-(d) are most similar in distribution to the original deepfake images when compared to the deepfake images generated directly from the disrupting images (Figure 7-(a)) or the images generated by the existing defense techniques 'DiffPure' and 'StarGAN AT' (Figure 7-(b) and Figure 7-(c), respectively).

of the dataset and is used to train the deepfake detection model. We assume that data poisoning based on disruption occurs for this group. Group C occupies the last 10% of the dataset and is used to evaluate the accuracy of detectors. The images in all datasets are cropped to  $178 \times 178$  and subsequently resized to  $128 \times 128$ . Our baseline deepfake detection models are the Xception [22] model used in FaceForensics++ [11], and the ResNet18 and ResNet50 [23] models used in the disruption perturbation paper [9].

## 2) PARAMETERS FOR DISRUPTION

The disrupting perturbation is generated to make the deepfake image get closer to a black image, targeting StarGAN [2]. We assume the grey-box disrupter knows the structure and

parameters of the StarGAN, but not those of the defense model. We use a 10-step BIM and a 10-step PGD with  $\epsilon = 0.05$  with step size 0.01 for disruption.

## 3) COMPARISON TARGET MODEL

Our comparison targets are MagNet reformer [25], adversarially trained StarGAN with PGD (StarGAN AT) [5], and DiffPure [14], a SOTA purification technique using DDPM. All defense methods are trained with the Group A dataset.

## 4) ENVIRONMENTS

We performed all experiments on a single machine Ubuntu 20.04 environment with two NVIDIA RTX 4090 (24GB) GPUs.

**TABLE 2.** Detection accuracy of detectors trained with the poisoned Group B dataset. Normal real and deepfake images in the Group C dataset are used to measure the accuracy.

Defense Model	Xception		ResNet18		ResNet50	
	PGD	BIM	PGD	BIM	PGD	BIM
No Attack	97.48		98.19		99.04	
No Defense	51.56	49.80	50.15	51.31	50.40	50.05
MagNet Reformer [25]	50.05	50.05	50.05	50.10	54.13	49.95
StarGAN AT [5]	50.05	50.05	49.55	50.00	49.95	50.05
DiffPure [14]	53.53	58.97	53.43	53.83	73.39	85.28
Ours	<b>83.37</b>	<b>95.58</b>	<b>89.37</b>	<b>99.55</b>	<b>90.88</b>	<b>96.52</b>

### B. PURIFICATION ABILITY FOR DISRUPTIVE IMAGES

From Table 1, we can see that our  $L_2$  distance is lower than the disruption threshold ( $L_2 \geq 0.05$ ), indicating the successful generation of deepfake images. For the PGD, our performance is better than the MagNet reformer and similar to DiffPure and StarGAN AT. Moreover, our method results in the lowest  $L_2$  distance alongside DiffPure for the BIM. Fig. 7 illustrates the distribution of deepfake images generated by each defense method against PGD-based disruption. We found our method is more effective in terms of the distribution of defended images. Our distribution in Fig. 7 (d) closely resembles the distribution of normal deepfake images. This result is better than DiffPure (Fig. 7 (b)) and StarGAN AT (Fig. 7 (c)) whose distributions are located between the distributions of normal real and deepfake images. We also found our method is faster than DiffPure because of our reverse process alone and fewer timesteps. DiffPure took 0.0636 seconds on average to purify one image, while ours took 0.0572 seconds on average, which is a 9.88% reduction in defense time over DiffPure.

### C. ACCURACY OF DETECTION MODELS UNDER THE POISONED DATASET

Table 2 presents the accuracy of defense methods for a deepfake detection model trained by a poisoned dataset with disruptive images. The deepfake detector trained using our approach exhibits the highest detection accuracy among defense methods, regardless of the model structure and disruption method. The MagNet reformer and StarGAN AT still demonstrate severely decreased accuracy across all model structures and disruption methods. DiffPure demonstrates satisfactory accuracy on ResNet50, but it exhibits underwhelming accuracy on Xception and ResNet18 models. MagNet reformer and StarGAN AT exhibited an average drop in accuracy of 48.77%p and 48.87%p respectively from the accuracy without disruption (“No Attack”). DiffPure showed a slight improvement with a drop of 43.32%p. Our method achieved an average accuracy drop of 7.83%p, and notably, the accuracy against BIM in ResNet18 was even higher than the “No Attack” scenario.

## VI. DISCUSSION

### A. TARGETED DEEFAKE GENERATION AND DETECTION MODELS.

In this paper, we focused on StarGAN as the target deepfake generation model, thereby excluding other deepfake generation techniques such as faceswap. DDPM used in our purification is not trained for a specific disruption method or target model. Therefore, our method is agnostic to disruption methods or deepfake generation methods. Nevertheless, experimental verification is necessary to confirm our capability. Furthermore, in this paper, the experiments were conducted specifically on spatial-based deepfake detection techniques using a DNN model. Additional experiments are required for other detection methods, including frequency-based and biological-based ones. We leave the extension of our method as future work.

### B. POISONING RATE IN TRAINING DATASET

In this paper, we assumed a worst-case scenario, setting the poisoning rate of the training dataset to 100%. Achieving this level of data poisoning is challenging, often limited by the attacker’s knowledge of the targeted deepfake generator and the attacker’s capabilities. Nevertheless, from a defensive perspective, it is essential to consider such scenarios to strengthen defense mechanisms. Moreover, as with the traditional issue, the deepfake issue will become more applicable as the defense techniques improve. It is not impossible to have a 100% poisoning rate if defense techniques are applied to all devices with generation suppression, just like firewalls are applied to all computers today. Therefore, in this paper, we conducted experiments under the fully poisoned training data where the attacker acquires the knowledge of the deepfake generation model.

## VII. RELATED WORK

### A. DEEFAKE GENERATION

Various deepfake generation techniques exist for face generation [3], face conversion [4], [118], attribute manipulation [2], [119], and expression conversion [120]. Among them, StarGAN [2], a prominent technique for modifying attributes such as gender and age in faces, has been extensively used



**TABLE 3.** Deepfake disruption papers: Dataset, Target Model, and Evaluation Metric. In the GitHub row, 'O' means Official GitHub link, and 'U' means Unofficial GitHub link.

Paper	Shamshad, et al. [27]	Van, et al. [28]	Zhong, et al. [29]	Li, et al. [30]	Zhai, et al. [31]	Sun, et al. [32]	Tang, et al. [33]	Shim, et al. [34]	Ruiz, et al. [35]	Salman, et al. [36]	Dong, et al. [37]	Li, et al. [38]	Huang, et al. [39]	He, et al. [40]	Guan, et al. [41]	Yeh, et al. [42]	Dong, et al. [43]	Ruiz, et al. [5]	Sun, et al. [44]	Ruiz, et al. [45]
Year	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	23	22	22	22	21	21	20	20	20
GitHub	O	O								O		O	O			O		O		
Dataset	CelebA [26]		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓			✓		✓		✓
	CelebA-HQ [46]	✓	✓	✓				✓						✓						
	CelebAMask-HQ [41]														✓					
	Celeb-DF [47]						✓													✓
	LFW [48]	✓												✓						
	LFWA [48]					✓														
	FF++ [11]							✓												
	Stable Diffusion [49]										✓									
	FFHQ [3]												✓							
	LADN [50]	✓												✓						
	Face Scrub [51]																	✓		
	VGG Face2 [52]		✓																	
	Horse2Zebra [53]			✓																
	Photograph2Monet [53]																			✓
CityScapes [54]																			✓	
Target Model	StarGAN [2]		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
	StarGAN2 [55]		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
	AttGAN [56]		✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
	GANimation [57]																			
	Celeb-DF [47]						✓													✓
	StyleGAN1 [3]												✓							
	StyleGAN2 [58]	✓		✓									✓							
	StyleGAN3 [59]			✓									✓							
	AG-GAN [60]					✓		✓						✓						
	HiSD [61]					✓		✓						✓						
	CycleGAN [53]			✓													✓			✓
	StyleSwin [62]			✓																
	DDGAN [63]			✓																
	CUT [64]			✓																
	SimSwap [65]								✓						✓	✓				
	StyleCLIP [66]								✓											
	Diffusion AE [67]								✓											
	Ieface [68]								✓											
	FaceSwap [69]											✓								
	DCGAN [70]												✓							
	WGAN [71]												✓							
	FaceShifter [72]														✓					
	Self-AE																	✓		
Stable Diffusion [49]		✓								✓										
pix2pixHD [73]																			✓	
Evaluation Metric	l-norm			✓	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
	SSIM [74]					✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
	FSIM [75]					✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
	PSNR	✓				✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓
	FID [76]	✓		✓										✓						
	ASR (DSR)							✓	✓	✓							✓		✓	✓
	Bit Acc			✓																
	Query Count						✓			✓										
	BRISQUE [8]		✓									✓			✓			✓		
	Detection Acc						✓													
	TFHC							✓						✓						
	ACS							✓						✓						
	PR [77]										✓									
	VIFP [78]										✓									
	Matching Rate												✓							
	MCD																			
	Nima [79]														✓					
	DBCNN [80]														✓					
	TV [81]														✓					
	ID Sim (PSR, ISM)	✓	✓												✓					
	Perceptual Loss														✓	✓				
	NME [82]														✓					✓
	DFDR																			
	SER-FQA [83]		✓																	
	Identity Loss [84]								✓											
	LPIPS [85]								✓											
DFDR		✓																		

**TABLE 4.** Deepfake detection papers: train dataset, test dataset, and evaluation metric. In the GitHub row, 'O' means the official GitHub link, and 'U' means the unofficial GitHub link. 'S', 'F', and 'B' in the Method column stand for Spatial, Frequency, and Biological detection methods, respectively.

Paper	Wang et al. [86]	Dong et al. [87]	Ricker et al. [88]	Chen et al. [89]	Zhuang et al. [90]	Chen et al. [91]	Dong et al. [92]	Shiohara et al. [93]	Cao et al. [94]	Zheng et al. [95]	Zhao et al. [96]	Haliassos et al. [97]	Chandrasegaran et al. [98]	Luo et al. [99]	Li et al. [100]	Zhao et al. [101]	Cozzolino et al. [102]	Li et al. [103]
<b>Year</b>	23	23	22	22	22	22	22	22	22	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	20
<b>Method</b>	S	S	F	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	B	F	F	F	S	S	S
<b>GitHub</b>	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	O	U	O	O	O	U	O	O	U
<b>Pretrain</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
<b>Train Dataset</b>	FF++ [11]	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓
	SBI [93]		✓															
	MS-Celeb [104]						✓											
	CDF-V2 [47]										✓	✓						
	DFDC-P [105]											✓	✓					
	DFDC [106]										✓	✓						
	DF											✓						
	CelebA [26]												✓					
	CelebA-HQ [46]												✓	✓				
	LSUN-Bedroom [107]			✓									✓					
VoxCeleb2 [108]													✓				✓	
<b>Test Dataset</b>	FF++-HQ [11]		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	FF++-LQ [11]					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	CDF-V1 [47]	✓	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	CDF-V2 [47]					✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	DFD [109]	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	FSH [110]										✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	DeeperForensics [111]	✓			✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	DFDC [106]		✓		✓		✓	✓			✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	DFDC-P [105]					✓					✓	✓		✓		✓	✓	✓
	FFIW [112]																	
	Wild [113]								✓									
	Celeb-DF [47]																	
	CelebA [26]												✓					
	CelebA-HQ [46]												✓					
	ImageNet [114]			✓										✓				
	FFHQ [3]			✓														
	LSUN-Cat [107]			✓														
LSUN-Horse [107]			✓															
LSUN-Bedroom [107]			✓										✓					
VoxCeleb2 [108]																	✓	
<b>Evaluation Metric</b>	ACC			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	AUC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
	Time Consumptions				✓													
	EER				✓													
	Feature Visualization							✓	✓		✓				✓			✓
	Forgery Localizaiton					✓		✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓		✓
	A.P.																	✓
	LogLoss								✓								✓	
	pAUC [115]														✓			
	MSL [116]																	✓
	Triplet [117]																	✓

for evaluating deepfake detection [9], [10], [121], [122] and disruption methods [5], [9], [121], [123]. Therefore, in this paper, we have chosen StarGAN as the target generator to assess the issues arising when disruption and detection coexist.

**B. DEEPAKE DISRUPTION**

The early works on deepfake disruption [124] utilized adversarial attacks [6], [7], [8] as their core strategy. Ruiz et al. [5] added a disrupting perturbation to the real image along with the gradient of the generative model toward a distorted deepfake image. Some other works utilize

perturbation generators which are also generative models to disrupt deepfake generators [9], [125]. While previous deepfake disruption defenses were primarily conducted in white-box environments [5], [40], recent research has shifted towards more realistic scenarios akin to grey-box and black-box settings. Research is being made to achieve disruption even when the model's structure is unknown, and the model's output is either partially known [35], [42], [45] or completely unknown [37]. To do this, they made sure that disruption works well in situations where the number of queries is limited. Another emerging trend in recent research emphasizes transitivity, to ensure that disruption is

not confined to a specific type of deepfake generation [41]. As deepfake generation models have traditionally been based on GANs, the advent of diffusion models has prompted research into extending disruption techniques to these as well [28], [34], [36]. Concurrently, there is ongoing research on nullification [42] and warning watermarking [31], which aim to do more than just suppress deepfakes; they seek to prevent any alteration of the image in its entirety. To synthesize the research landscape more clearly, we present Table 3, which details the datasets, target models, and evaluation metrics used in each study.

### C. DEEFAKE DETECTION

Deepfake detection methods can be broadly categorized into three types: spatial-based, frequency-based, and biological-signal-based. Spatial-based detection identifies visual artifacts in deepfake images [11], [122]. Frequency-based detection uncovers artifacts in deepfake images within the frequency domain [12], [121]. Biological-signal-based detection analyzes natural biological signals exclusive to real faces [13], [126].

Historically, deepfake detection models have demonstrated high detection rates within the same datasets they were trained on (intra-datasets), but their performance significantly drops when applied to new, unseen datasets (cross-datasets). To address this, recent studies [89], [90] have focused on enhancing the generalization capabilities of detection models to maintain high detection rates across various datasets. The detection models were initially designed to identify deepfakes generated by Generative Adversarial Networks (GANs). With the emergence of diffusion models [15], a novel approach to deepfake creation [127], the scope of research has broadened to include the detection of deepfakes originating from these sophisticated diffusion techniques [88]. For a comprehensive summary of the datasets used for training and testing, as well as the evaluation metrics employed in each study, refer to Table 4.

The coexistence of deepfake detection and disruption is likely, as they operate at different stages of the deepfake ecosystem. Wang et al. raised concerns that disrupted images could potentially fool detection models [9]. While their work explored the interplay between detection and disruption, our focus is on the unintended consequences that disruption may have on the training of detection models.

### D. ADVERSARIAL PURIFICATION

Generative models are frequently employed for adversarial purification. MagNet [25], for instance, uses an autoencoder to learn a manifold of normal images. Images situated far from the learned manifold are rejected, and those close to the manifold are purified. DiffPure harnesses a diffusion model for adversarial purification due to its robust performance in image generation and noise reduction [14]. We also utilized DDPM [15], a standard diffusion model. However, unlike previous approaches, we omitted the forward process and used a smaller timestep.

## VIII. CONCLUSION

We revisited two countermeasures, deepfake disruption, and detection, from the perspective of traditional security issues. We found that, due to the coexistence of the two countermeasures, deepfake disruption may cause data poisoning problems for deepfake detection models during their training phase. To solve this problem, we propose a robust training framework for deepfake detection models. Our framework is tailored to address the training data poisoning problem in deepfake detection models, the first of its kind in academia. Using the DDPM [15] denoising model, it minimizes image distortion and cuts defense time by eliminating extra noise introduced by DiffPure [14]. Our approach generates deepfake images that better resemble normal ones compared to those created by DiffPure or StarGAN Adversarial Training [5]. Moreover, our method achieves a 7.75% defense time reduction compared to DiffPure, and when applied to training deepfake detection models, it outperforms StarGAN AT and DiffPure in detection accuracy on Xception [22], ResNet18 [23], and ResNet50 [23] under PGD [8] and BIM [7] disruption attacks.

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