Interpretability is a Kind of Safety: An Interpreter-based Ensemble for Adversary Defense



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1. Background: Adversarial Attack

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truck

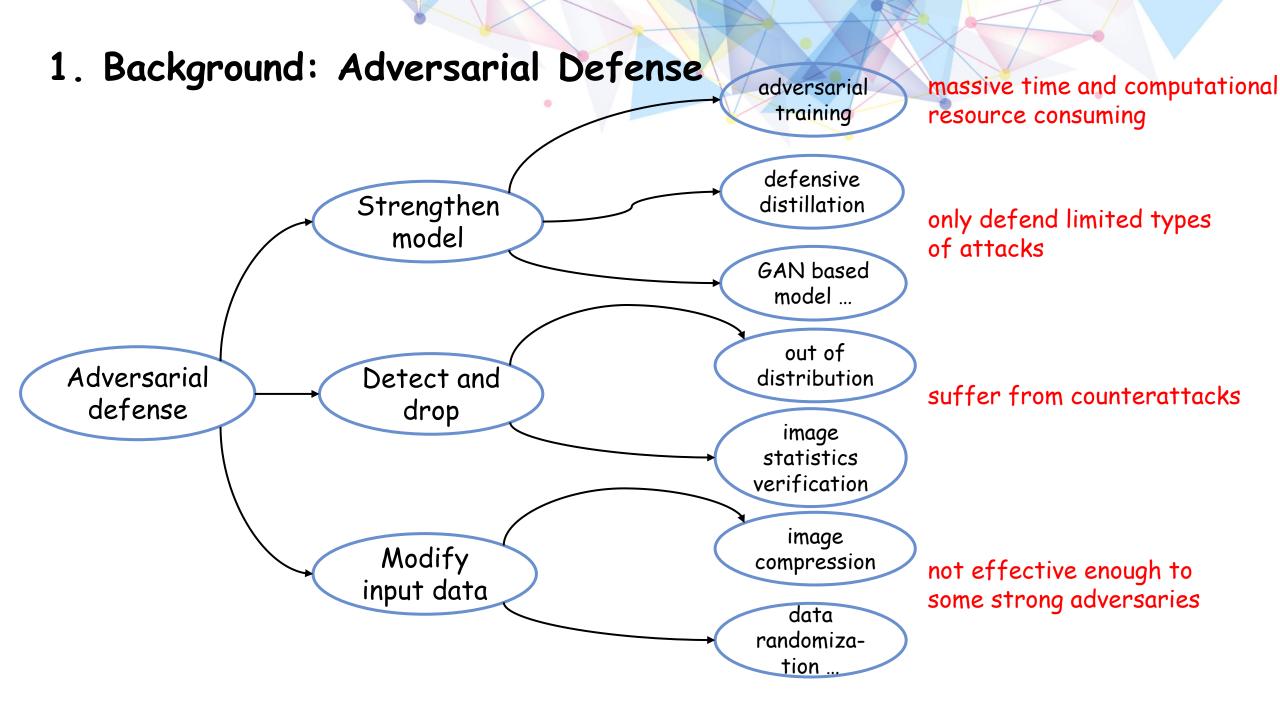
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Adversarial example: a modified image input that is intentionally perturbed. It is hard to distinguish by humans but can fool deep neural networks easily.

Financial, medical or even military applications need highly safe and robust models

Therefore, strengthening neural network models to defend adversarial attacks is an important task

aircraft



1. Background: Challenge

The first challenge is to explore the intrinsic mechanism of adversarial attacks to enhance the defense ability of deep learning methods;

The second challenge is to defense hybrid adversarial attacks that might include various types of attacks or even unknown types;

The third challenge is to protect the defender itself from adversarial attacks.

1. Background: Motivation

Adversarial attacks optimize,

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname*{arg\,min}_{X^{(a)}} \ \mathcal{L}\left(F\left(X^{(a)}\right), l^{(a)}\right) \\ & s.t. \operatorname{Dist}\left(X^{(a)}, X^{\circ}\right) < \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

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In each iteration,

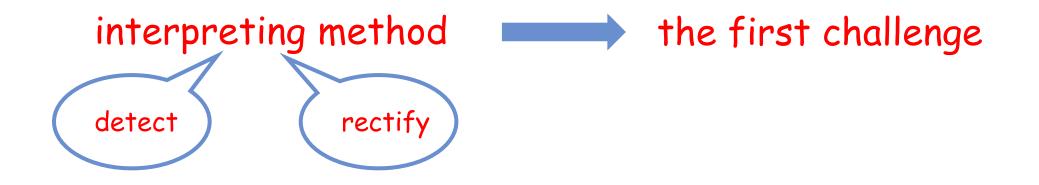
$$x_{ij}^{(\tau+1)} \coloneqq \Gamma_{D_{\epsilon}(X^{\circ})} \left(x_{ij}^{(\tau)} - \alpha \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}\left(F\left(X^{(\tau)}\right), l^{(a)}\right)}{\partial x_{ij}^{(\tau)}} \right)$$
$$x_{ij}^{(\tau)} - \alpha \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial F_{l(a)}\left(x_{ij}^{(\tau)}\right)} \cdot g_{ijl(a)}$$
$$gradient information$$
$$interpreting method$$

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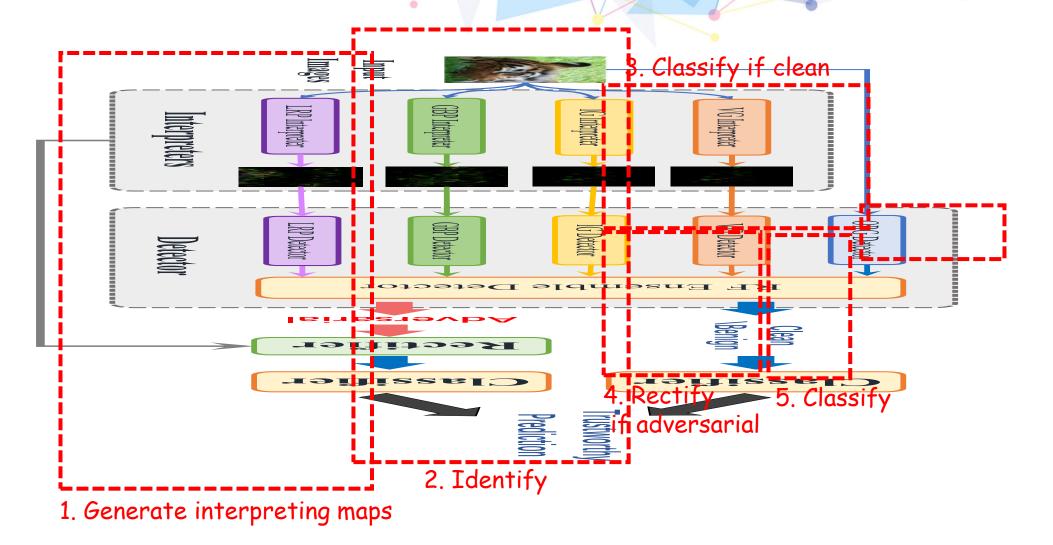
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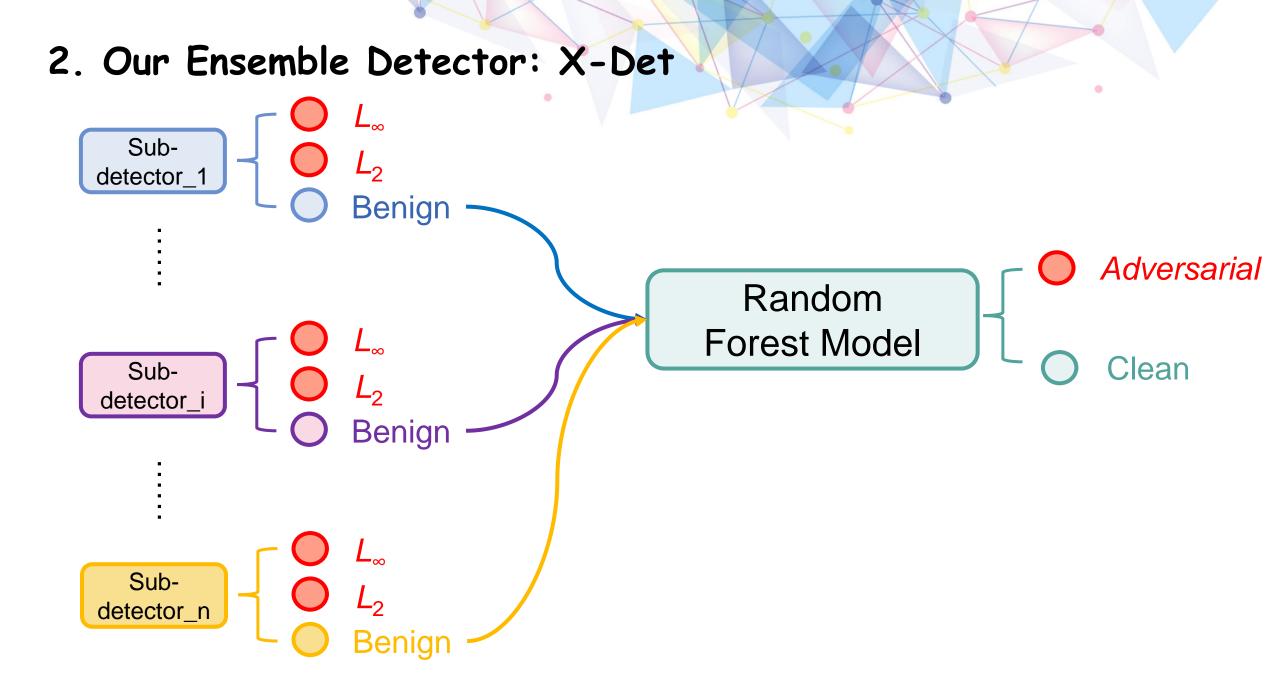
If we erase those pixels with higher $|g_{ijl^{(a)}}|$, the attack success rate drops significantly.

| Erased Rate | Deepfool | CW | DDN |
|-------------|----------|-------|-------|
| top 0% | 1.000 | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| top 5% | 0.637 | 0.665 | 0.656 |



2. Our Framework: X-Ensemble





2. Our Rectifier

Algorithm 1 Rectified Image For Tuning Rectifier

Variables: $\{D_1, ..., D_j\}$ are the sub-detectors that predict an input image x as an adversarial one, $\{R_1, ..., R_j\}$ are the interpreting methods corresponding to $\{D_1, ..., D_i\}$ respectively, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ is a threshold parameter, *rand*() returns a random value in [0, 1], and σ is the variance of pixel values in x. for k = 1 to j do $E_k \leftarrow Entropy(D_k(x))$ end for $R \leftarrow R_i$ where $i = argmin(E_1, ..., E_i)$ $g \leftarrow R(x)$ thres $\leftarrow \alpha * (\max(g) - \min(g)) + \min(g)$ for ixel (i, j) in x do if $g_{i,j} > thres$ and rand() > 0.5 then $x_{i,j} \leftarrow x_{i,j} + Normal(0,\sigma)$ end if end for return x

3. Experiment : Setting

Dataset: Fashion-MNIST, CIFAR-10, ImageNet

Attack method: FGSM, PGD, Deepfool, C&W, DDN, OnePixel

Interpreting method: VG, GBP, IG, LRP

Baseline: PD, TWS, MDS for detection part, Adversarial training, PD, TVM for wholepipeline

3. Experiment Results: Detection

Our RF ensemble detector

Components of our ensemble detector

| | Grey-Box | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------------|----------|------|------|------|--------|------|------|------|---------|------|---------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Fashion-MNIST | | | | | | | | | CIFAR10 | | | | | | | | | |
| Attackers | X-Det | PD | TWS | MDS | VG | IG | GBP | LRP | ORG | X-De | : PD | TWS | MDS | VG | IG | GBP | LRP | ORG |
| FGSM-U | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.63 | 0.71 | 0.97 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.52 | 0.83 | 0.88 | 0.86 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 1.00 |
| PGD-U | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.65 | 0.79 | 0.98 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 0.52 | 0.76 | 0.99 | 0.95 | 0.96 | 0.97 | 0.98 |
| PGD-T | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.83 | 0.80 | 0.97 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.96 | 0.48 | 0.71 | 0.93 | 0.90 | 0.95 | 0.98 | 1.00 |
| DFool-U | 0.99 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 0.77 | 0.95 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.94 | 0.99 | 0.98 | 0.77 | 0.83 | 0.93 | 0.89 | 0.90 | 0.99 | 0.92 | 0.83 |
| CW-U | 0.98 | 0.93 | 0.95 | 0.79 | 0.94 | 0.98 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.96 | 0.98 | 0.78 | 0.90 | 0.93 | 0.90 | 0.89 | 0.99 | 0.92 | 0.86 |
| CW-T | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 0.83 | 0.97 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 0.84 | 0.94 | 0.94 | 0.93 | 0.93 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 0.95 |
| DDN-U | 0.99 | 0.98 | 0.80 | 0.79 | 0.96 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 0.70 | 0.91 | 0.93 | 0.91 | 0.90 | 0.92 | 0.99 | 0.90 |
| DDN-T | 1.00 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.85 | 1.00 | 0.90 | 0.98 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.81 | 0.96 | 0.94 | 0.99 | 0.93 | 0.95 | 0.99 | 0.97 |
| | i i | | | | | | | Bla | ck-Box | | i i | | | | | | | |
| | | | | Fasl | ion-MN | IST | | | | | CIFAR10 | | | | | | | |
| Attackers | X-Det | PD | TWS | MDS | VG | IG | GBP | LRP | ORG | X-De | : PD | TWS | MDS | VG | IG | GBP | LRP | ORG |
| FGSM-U | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.76 | 0.54 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 0.66 | 0.93 | 0.88 | 0.92 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 1.00 |
| PGD-U | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.77 | 0.53 | 1.00 | 0.98 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.97 | 0.98 | 0.57 | 0.59 | 0.76 | 0.80 | 0.91 | 0.98 | 1.00 |
| PGD-T | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.78 | 0.55 | 1.00 | 0.97 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 0.72 | 0.59 | 0.78 | 0.83 | 0.92 | 0.96 | 1.00 |
| DFool-U | 0.94 | 0.93 | 0.81 | 0.52 | 0.85 | 0.94 | 0.98 | 0.91 | 0.95 | 0.79 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.54 | 0.70 | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.80 | 0.60 |
| CW-U | 0.91 | 0.87 | 0.81 | 0.53 | 0.83 | 0.91 | 0.99 | 0.90 | 0.86 | 0.82 | 0.75 | 0.75 | 0.53 | 0.71 | 0.82 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 0.70 |
| CW-T | 0.97 | 0.96 | 0.80 | 0.52 | 0.91 | 0.99 | 0.98 | 0.95 | 0.98 | 0.82 | 0.77 | 0.76 | 0.53 | 0.80 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.77 |
| DDN-U | 0.88 | 0.86 | 0.80 | 0.52 | 0.82 | 0.95 | 0.94 | 0.91 | 0.93 | 0.80 | 0.63 | 0.76 | 0.54 | 0.71 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 0.80 | 0.76 |
| DDN-T | 0.98 | 0.96 | 0.79 | 0.54 | 0.92 | 0.97 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 0.99 | 0.82 | 0.72 | 0.76 | 0.54 | 0.71 | 0.80 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.89 |
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AUC score of adversarial example detection for <u>vaccinated</u> training

3. Experiment Results: Detection

| Grey-Box | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|-------|----------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----|----------|------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|--|
| | | Fashion- | MNIST | | | CIFAR-10 | | | | | |
| Attacker | X-Det | PD | l_{∞} -D | <i>l</i> ₂ -D | X-D | et | PD | $ l_{\infty}$ -D | <i>l</i> ₂ -D | | |
| PGD-U | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.90 | 1.0 | 0 | 0.99 | 0.39 | | | |
| PGD-T | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 0.91 | 1.0 | 0 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.50 | | |
| CW-U | 0.95 | 0.93 | 0.73 | 0.97 | 0.9 | 8 | 0.78 | 0.49 | 0.97 | , | |
| CW-T | 0.98 | 0.98 | 0.84 | 0.99 | 0.9 | 9 | 0.84 | 0.49 | 0.98 | | |
| DDN-U | 0.99 | 0.98 | 0.80 | 1.00 | 0.9 | 9 | 0.70 | 0.49 | 0.98 | | |
| DDN-T | 1.00 | 1.00 | 0.93 | 1.00 | 0.9 | 9 | 0.81 | 0.49 | 0.98 | | |
| OnePixel | 0.82 | 0.61 | 0.59 | 0.75 | 0.8 | 3 | 0.81 | 0.51 | 0.77 | | |
| | | | Bla | ck-Box | | i | | | | | |
| | | Fashion- | MNIST | | | | CIFA | | | | |
| Attacker | X-Det | PD | l_{∞} -D | <i>l</i> ₂ -D | X-D | et | PD | <i>l</i> ₂ -D | | | |
| PGD-U | 0.99 | 0.99 | 0.98 | 0.91 | 0.9 | 9 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.70 | , | |
| PGD-T | 0.99 | 0.99 | 0.98 | 0.92 | 0.9 | 9 | 0.99 | 1.00 | 0.78 | | |
| CW-U | 0.87 | 0.85 | 0.51 | 0.73 | 0.8 | 0 | 0.75 | 0.48 | 0.77 | | |
| CW-T | 0.97 | 0.93 | 0.78 | 0.88 | 0.8 | 0 | 0.77 | 0.49 | 0.76 | | |
| DDN-U | 0.85 | 0.88 | 0.53 | 0.83 | 0.8 | | 0.63 | 0.49 | 0.75 | | |
| DDN-T | 0.95 | 0.98 | _0.84 | _0.90_ | 0.8 | 2 | 0.72 | 0.48 | 0.77 | • | |
| OnePixel | 0.73 | 0.71 | 0.57 | 0.69 | 0.7 | 2 | 0.70 | 0.51 | 0.69 | | |

Our ensemble detector

AUC score of adversarial example detection for invaccinated training Note that OnePixel is L_0 attack, while our detectors are trained for L_2 and L_∞

3. Experiment Results: Whole Pipeline

| | Grey-Box | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---------|---------------|----------|------------------|------------------|------|----------|------|----------|------------------|------------------|------|------|----------|----------|------------------|------------------|------|----------|
| | Fashion-MNIST | | | | | CIFAR-10 | | | | ImageNet | | | | | | | | |
| | Our | PD | DDN _a | PGD _a | TVM | F | Our | PD | DDN _a | PGD _a | TVM | F | Our | PD | DDN _a | PGD _a | TVM | |
| Clean | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.86 | 0.84 | 0.67 | 0.92 | 0.82 | 0.79 | 0.75 | 0.64 | 0.35 | 0.86 | 0.89 | 0.66 | 0.78 | 0.72 | 0.75 | 0.95 |
| FGSM-U | 0.84 | 0.75 | 0.82 | 0.82 | 0.49 | 0.56 | 0.55 | 0.36 | 0.48 | 0.43 | 0.29 | 0.24 | 0.60 | 0.47 | 0.49 | 0.47 | 0.36 | 0.44 |
| PGD-U | 0.79 | 0.64 | 0.80 | 0.81 | 0.57 | 0.27 | 0.41 | 0.30 | 0.37 | 0.35 | 0.32 | 0.08 | 0.75 | 0.70 | 0.38 | 0.47 | 0.66 | 0.02 |
| PGD-T | 0.89 | 0.86 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.53 | 0.66 | 0.62 | 0.60 | 0.33 | 0.48 | 0.32 | 0.05 | 0.73 | 0.66 | 0.29 | 0.51 | 0.70 | 0.00 |
| Dfool-U | 0.87 | 0.88 | 0.26 | 0.76 | 0.65 | 0.00 | 0.71 | 0.68 | 0.19 | 0.29 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.75 | 0.58 | 0.37 | 0.35 | 0.71 | 0.01 |
| CW-U | 0.86 | 0.88 | 0.70 | 0.73 | 0.66 | 0.00 | 0.74 | 0.73 | 0.70 | 0.63 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.74 | 0.64 | 0.50 | 0.53 | 0.71 | 0.00 |
| CW-T | 0.86 | 0.85 | 0.72 | 0.53 | 0.65 | 0.00 | 0.74 | 0.75 | 0.45 | 0.46 | 0.33 | 0.00 | 0.79 | 0.61 | 0.40 | 0.39 | 0.75 | 0.00 |
| DDN-U | 0.90 | 0.89 | 0.74 | 0.76 | 0.66 | 0.00 | 0.69 | 0.74 | 0.66 | 0.52 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.76 | 0.60 | 0.56 | 0.44 | 0.75 | 0.03 |
| DDN-T | 0.90 | 0.89 | 0.59 | 0.64 | 0.65 | 0.00 | 0.71 | 0.75 | 0.53 | 0.43 | 0.34 | 0.00 | 0.79 | 0.60 | 0.50 | 0.39 | 0.74 | 0.00 |
| | | | | | | | | F | Black-Box | | | | i | | | | | |
| | | <u>i</u> | Fashion | -MNIST | | | | CIFAR-10 | | | | | | ImageNet | | | | |
| | Our | PD | DDN _a | PGD _a | TVM | F | Our | PD | DDN _a | PGD _a | TVM | F | Our | PD | DDN _a | PGD _a | TVM | <i>F</i> |
| Clean | 0.90 | 0.90 | 0.86 | 0.84 | 0.67 | 0.92 | 0.82 | 0.79 | 0.75 | 0.64 | 0.35 | 0.86 | 0.89 | 0.66 | 0.78 | 0.72 | 0.75 | 0.95 |
| FGSM-U | 0.72 | 0.70 | 0.68 | 0.71 | 0.46 | 0.50 | 0.43 | 0.27 | 0.41 | 0.41 | 0.31 | 0.50 | 0.60 | 0.49 | 0.51 | 0.48 | 0.54 | 0.50 |
| PGD-U | 0.78 | 0.80 | 0.77 | 0.82 | 0.48 | 0.50 | 0.66 | 0.70 | 0.68 | 0.58 | 0.31 | 0.50 | 0.63 | 0.61 | 0.58 | 0.50 | 0.51 | 0.50 |
| PGD-T | 0.79 | 0.78 | 0.74 | 0.81 | 0.43 | 0.50 | 0.63 | 0.73 | 0.70 | 0.59 | 0.30 | 0.50 | 0.65 | 0.52 | 0.55 | 0.49 | 0.50 | 0.50 |
| Dfool-U | 0.87 | 0.86 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.48 | 0.50 | 0.78 | 0.76 | 0.71 | 0.61 | 0.29 | 0.50 | 0.67 | 0.60 | 0.58 | 0.51 | 0.43 | 0.50 |
| CW-U | 0.88 | 0.87 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.48 | 0.50 | 0.78 | 0.75 | 0.71 | 0.61 | 0.30 | 0.50 | 0.65 | 0.58 | 0.51 | 0.51 | 0.46 | 0.50 |
| CW-T | 0.87 | 0.87 | 0.84 | 0.85 | 0.53 | 0.50 | 0.77 | 0.75 | 0.71 | 0.60 | 0.29 | 0.50 | 0.67 | 0.45 | 0.56 | 0.51 | 0.44 | 0.50 |
| DDN-U | 0.88 | 0.87 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.50 | 0.50 | 0.77 | 0.76 | 0.72 | 0.61 | 0.30 | 0.50 | 0.67 | 0.43 | 0.57 | 0.50 | 0.45 | 0.50 |
| DDN-T | 0.88 | 0.87 | 0.84 | 0.87 | 0.49 | 0.50 | 0.77 | 0.74 | 0.71 | 0.60 | 0.28 | 0.50 | 0.68 | 0.36 | 0.53 | 0.46 | 0.41 | 0.50 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | <u> </u> | | | | | |

Image classification accuracy of X-Ensemble and the baselines

3. Experiment Results: Robustness

| X-Ensemble | | | | | | | | | |
|------------|---------------|----------|----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | Fashion-MNIST | CIFAR-10 | ImageNet | | | | | | |
| PGD-T | 0.87 | 0.67 | 0.72 | | | | | | |
| CW-T | 0.90 | 0.69 | 0.83 | | | | | | |
| DDN-T | 0.90 | 0.71 | 0.78 | | | | | | |

Classification accuracy of X-Ensemble under white-box attacks

It shows that our model are robust to the counterattack of adversaries

4. Conclusion

1) We proposed X-Ensemble, an ensembled detection-rectification pipeline on high-performance adversary defense;

2) X-Ensemble combines sub-detectors with random forests to achieve satisfying performance against hybrid and unforeseen attacks;

3) The non-differentiable nature of random forests guarantees the robustness of X-Ensemble under white-box attacks.

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