## ECE 595: Homework 5

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# Exercise 1: Adversarial Attacks on Gaussian Classifier

# (a) minimum-norm attacks

# (i) minimum $l_2$ and $l_{\infty}$ attack

Since we only have 2 classes, the question becomes

minimize 
$$||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||$$
  
subject to  $\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x} + w_0 = 0$  (1)

## using $l_2$ norm

the problem is the same as

minimize 
$$\frac{1}{2} ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_2^2$$
subject to  $\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x} + w_0 = 0$  (2)

The lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{x}, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2} ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_2^2 + \lambda (\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x} + w_0)$$
(3)

Taking the derivative

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{x}, \lambda) = \boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0 + \lambda \boldsymbol{w} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{x}, \lambda) = \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x} + w_0 = 0$$
(4)

$$\lambda \boldsymbol{w} = \boldsymbol{x}_0 - \boldsymbol{x}$$

$$\lambda \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{w} = \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x}_0 - \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x}$$

$$\lambda = (\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{w})^{-1} (\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x}_0 + w_0)$$
(5)

$$\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{x}_0 - \lambda \boldsymbol{w}$$

$$= \boldsymbol{x}_0 - \frac{\boldsymbol{w}(\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x}_0 + w_0)}{||\boldsymbol{w}||_2^2}$$
(6)

using  $l_{\infty}$  norm

minimize 
$$||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_{\infty}$$
  
subject to  $\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x} + w_0 = 0$  (7)

Let  $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0$ ,  $b_0 = -(\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_0 + w_0)$ , the problem becomes:

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_{\infty} 
\operatorname{subject to} \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{r} = b_0$$
(8)

The lagrangian is

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{r},\lambda) = ||\boldsymbol{r}||_{\infty} + \lambda(b_0 - \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{r})$$
(9)

Taking derivative,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{r}, \lambda) = b_0 - \boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{r} = 0 \tag{10}$$

By Holder's Inequality:

$$|b_0| = |\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{r}| \le ||\boldsymbol{w}||_1 ||\boldsymbol{r}||_{\infty}$$

$$||\boldsymbol{r}||_{\infty} \ge \frac{|b_0|}{||\boldsymbol{w}||_1}$$
(11)

Consider  $\mathbf{r} = \eta \cdot sign(\mathbf{w})$ , for some constant  $\eta$  that. We can show that

$$||\mathbf{r}||_{\infty} = \underset{i}{argmax} |\eta \cdot sign(w_i)| = |\eta|$$
 (12)

let  $\eta = \frac{b_0}{||\boldsymbol{w}||_1} \cdot sign(\boldsymbol{w})$ , then we have,

$$||\boldsymbol{r}||_{\infty} = |\eta| = \frac{b_0}{||\boldsymbol{w}||_1} \tag{13}$$

Lower bound is achieved, thus the solution is,

$$\boldsymbol{r} = \frac{|b_0|}{||\boldsymbol{w}_1||} \cdot sign(\boldsymbol{w}) \tag{14}$$

#### (ii) DeepFool attack

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_2^2 
\operatorname{subject to} q(\boldsymbol{x}) = 0 \tag{15}$$

First order approximation

$$g(\boldsymbol{x}) \approx g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})^T (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})$$
(16)

Then the problem can be approximate by

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_2^2$$

$$\operatorname{subject\ to} q(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} q(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})^T (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}^{(k)}) = 0$$

$$(17)$$

Let  $\boldsymbol{w}^{(k)} = \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})$  and  $w_0^{(k)} = g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)}) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})^T \boldsymbol{x}^{(k)}$ Then the problem is equivalent to

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_2^2$$

$$\operatorname{subject\ to} (\boldsymbol{w}^{(k)})^T \boldsymbol{x} + w_0^{(k)} = 0$$
(18)

This is the same problem as minimum  $l_2$  norm attack, Thus the solution will be,

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{(k+1)} = \boldsymbol{x}^{(k)} - \frac{((\boldsymbol{w}^{(k)})^T x^{(k)} + w_0^{(k)}) \boldsymbol{w}^{(k)}}{||\boldsymbol{w}^{(k)}||_2^2}$$
(19)

substitute  $\boldsymbol{w}$  and  $w_0$  back, we get

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{(k+1)} = \boldsymbol{x}^{(k)} - \left(\frac{g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})}{||\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})||^2}\right) \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}}g(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})$$
(20)

# (iii) An example DeepFool never converge something

## (b) maximum-allowable attack

## (i) $l_{\infty}$ attack in the linear case

The problem is,

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \ \boldsymbol{w}^{T} \boldsymbol{x} + w_{0}$$

$$subject \ to \ ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_{0}||_{\infty} < \eta$$
(21)

let  $\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 + \mathbf{r}$ ,  $b_0 = (\mathbf{w}^T \mathbf{x}_0 + w_0)$ , the problem becomes,

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{r}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \boldsymbol{w}^{T} \boldsymbol{r} + b_{0}$$

$$subject \ to \ ||\boldsymbol{r}||_{\infty} < \eta$$
(22)

by Holder's inequality,

$$\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{r} \ge -||\boldsymbol{r}||_{\infty}||\boldsymbol{w}||_1 \ge -\eta||\boldsymbol{w}||_1 \tag{23}$$

as shown in the lecture note, the solution

$$\mathbf{r} = -\eta \cdot sign(\mathbf{w}) \tag{24}$$

#### (ii) FGSM attack

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmax}} J(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{w})$$

$$subject \ to \ ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_{\infty} \le \eta$$
(25)

Approximately,  $J(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{w}) = J(\boldsymbol{x}_0 + \boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{w}) \approx J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w})^T \boldsymbol{r}$ Then, the problem becomes

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} - J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w}) - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w})^T \boldsymbol{r}$$

$$in$$

$$\operatorname{subject\ to} ||\boldsymbol{r}||_{\infty} \leq \eta$$
(26)

of which the solution is given by

$$\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{x}_0 + \eta \cdot (\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w})) \tag{27}$$

In the problem setup, we get  $J(\mathbf{x}) = -g(\mathbf{x})$ , thus the solution is

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}_0 - \eta \cdot (\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} g(\mathbf{x}_0))$$

$$= \mathbf{x}_0 - \eta \cdot ((\mathbf{W}_j - \mathbf{W}_t) \mathbf{x}_0 + (\mathbf{w}_j - \mathbf{w}_t))$$

$$= (\eta(\mathbf{W}_t - \mathbf{W}_j) + 1) \mathbf{x}_0 + \eta(\mathbf{w}_t - \mathbf{w}_j)$$
(28)

#### (iii) I-FGSM attack

$$J(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{w}) = J(\boldsymbol{x}_0 + \boldsymbol{r}, \boldsymbol{w})$$

$$\approx J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w})^T \boldsymbol{r}$$

$$= J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w})^T (\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0)$$

$$= J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w}) + \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w})^T \boldsymbol{x} - \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{x}_0, \boldsymbol{w})^T \boldsymbol{x}_0$$

$$(29)$$

$$\mathbf{x}^{(k+1)} = \underset{0 \le \mathbf{x} \le 1}{\operatorname{argmax}} J(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}, \mathbf{w}) \text{ subject to } ||\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|| \le \eta$$

$$= \underset{0 \le \mathbf{x} \le 1}{\operatorname{argmax}} \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} J(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}, \mathbf{w})^T \mathbf{x} \text{ subject to } ||\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0|| \le \eta$$

$$= \mathcal{P} \left\{ \mathbf{x}^{(k)} + \eta \cdot \operatorname{sign} \left( \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} J(\mathbf{x}^{(k)}, \mathbf{w}) \right) \right\}$$
(30)

## (c) Regularization based attack

#### (i) linear case

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \ \frac{1}{2} ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_2^2 + \lambda (\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x} + w_0)$$
(31)

Taking derivative

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \frac{1}{2} ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_2^2 + \lambda (\boldsymbol{w}^T \boldsymbol{x} + w_0)$$

$$= \boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0 + \lambda \boldsymbol{w} = 0$$
(32)

Solve for  $\boldsymbol{x}$ ,

$$\boldsymbol{x} = \boldsymbol{x}_0 - \lambda \boldsymbol{w} \tag{33}$$

(ii)

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{x}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \varphi(\boldsymbol{x}), \text{ where}$$

$$\varphi(\boldsymbol{x}) = ||\boldsymbol{x} - \boldsymbol{x}_0||_2^2 + \lambda \zeta(g_j(\boldsymbol{x}) - g_t(\boldsymbol{x})),$$

$$\zeta(y) = \max(y, 0), \text{ and } j \neq t$$

$$(34)$$

Taking the derivative,

$$\nabla \varphi(\mathbf{x}) = 2(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{x}_0) + \lambda \mathbb{I}\{q_i(\mathbf{x}) - q_t(\mathbf{x}) > 0\} \cdot (\nabla_{\mathbf{x}} q_i(\mathbf{x}) - \nabla_{\mathbf{x}} q_t(\mathbf{x}))$$
(35)

Using my favorite gradient descent, we can tell,

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{(k+1)} = \boldsymbol{x}^{(k)} - \alpha \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \varphi(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)})$$
(36)

substituting in  $g(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{x}^T(\mathbf{W}_j - \mathbf{W}_t)\mathbf{x} + (\mathbf{w}_j - \mathbf{w}_t)^T\mathbf{x} + (w_{j,0} - w_{t,0})$ , we get

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} g(\boldsymbol{x}) = (\boldsymbol{W}_{j} - \boldsymbol{W}_{t}) \boldsymbol{x} + (\boldsymbol{w}_{j} - \boldsymbol{w}_{t})$$

$$\boldsymbol{x}^{(k+1)} = \boldsymbol{x}^{(k)} - 2\alpha(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)} - \boldsymbol{x}_{0}) - \alpha\lambda \mathbb{I}\{g(\boldsymbol{x}) > 0\} \cdot (\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} g(\boldsymbol{x}))$$

$$= \boldsymbol{x}^{(k)} - 2\alpha(\boldsymbol{x}^{(k)} - \boldsymbol{x}_{0}) - \alpha\lambda \mathbb{I}\{g(\boldsymbol{x}) > 0\} \cdot ((\boldsymbol{W}_{j} - \boldsymbol{W}_{t})\boldsymbol{x} + (\boldsymbol{w}_{j} - \boldsymbol{w}_{t}))$$
(37)

# Exercise 2: CW-Attack on Gaussian Classifier - Non-overlapping Patches

# (a)&(b)

refer to code in the back

(c)

## (i) & (ii) The final perturbed images & their perturbation respectively

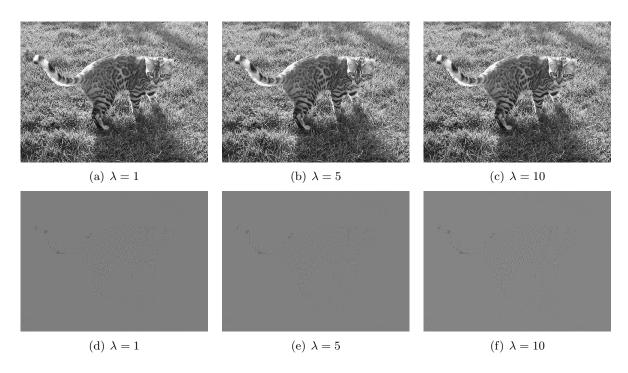


Figure 1: perturbed images and their perturbations with  $\lambda = 1, 5, 10$ 

# (iii) Frobenius norm of the perturbation

 $\lambda = 1$ , Frobenius norm: 8.253352243144604  $\lambda = 5$ , Frobenius norm: 8.928742803780679  $\lambda = 10$ , Frobenius norm: 9.697938770929634

# (iv) The classifier's output

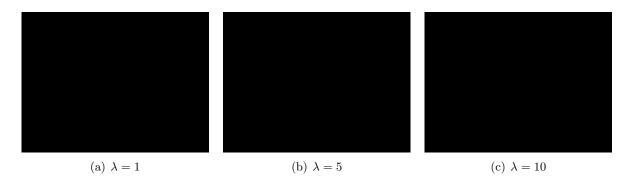


Figure 2: classified perturbed image with  $\lambda=1,5,10$ 

For all three cases, all patches are classified as grass after applying perturbation.

# (v) Plots during gradient descent

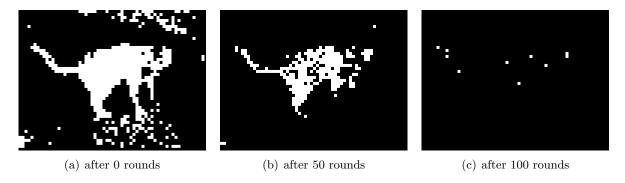


Figure 3: classified perturbed image during gradient descent with  $\lambda = 1$ 

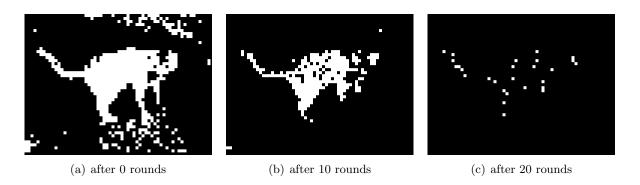


Figure 4: classified perturbed image during gradient descent with  $\lambda = 5$ 

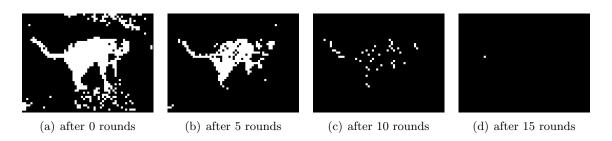


Figure 5: classified perturbed image during gradient descent with  $\lambda=10$ From the above plots, we can obviously see that increase  $\lambda$  will speed up the attack.

# Exercise 3: CW Attack on Gaussian Classifier - Overlapping Patches

$$\boldsymbol{X}^* = \underset{\boldsymbol{X}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \sum_{i=1}^{L} \{ ||\boldsymbol{P}_i(\boldsymbol{X} - \boldsymbol{X}_0)||_2^2 + \lambda \max(g_j(\boldsymbol{P}_i\boldsymbol{X}) - g_t(\boldsymbol{P}_i\boldsymbol{X}), 0) \}$$

$$= \underset{\boldsymbol{X}}{\operatorname{argmin}} ||\boldsymbol{X} - \boldsymbol{X}_0||_2^2 + \lambda \sum_{i=1}^{L} \max(g_j(\boldsymbol{P}_i\boldsymbol{X}) - g_t(\boldsymbol{P}_i\boldsymbol{X}), 0)$$
(38)

(a)

the gradient of the above function is,

$$\nabla_{\mathbf{X}} = 2(\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X}_0) + \lambda \mathbb{I}\{g_i(\mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{X}) - g_t(\mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{X}) > 0\} \times (\nabla_{\mathbf{X}}(g_i(\mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{X}) - g_t(\mathbf{P}_i \mathbf{X})))$$
(39)