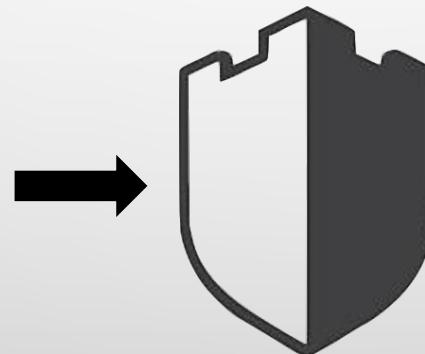
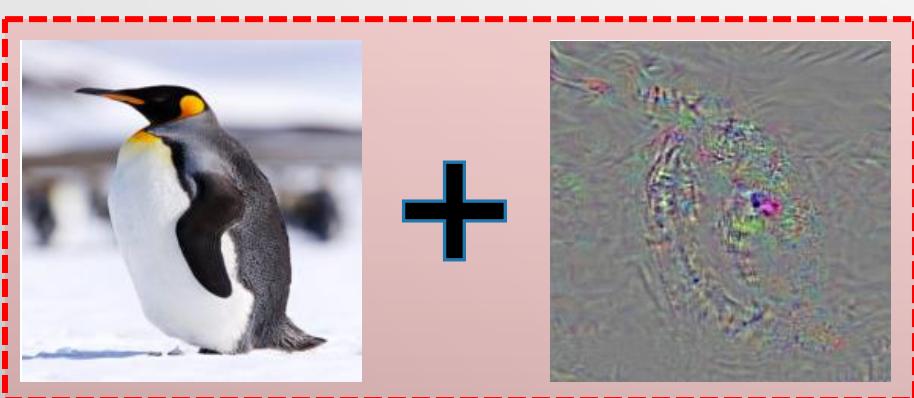


Adversarial Examples IMPROVE Image Recognition

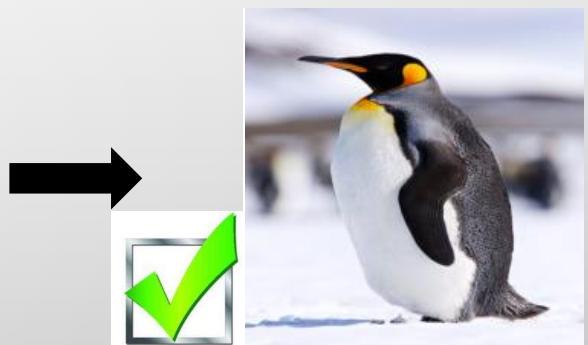
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Adversarial Examples Are **THREATS** to Deep Networks



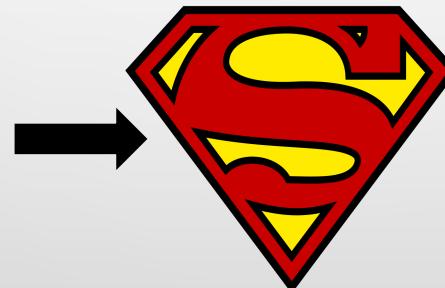
Deep
Networks



Label: King Penguin



Can we use Adversarial Examples to **HELP** Deep Networks?



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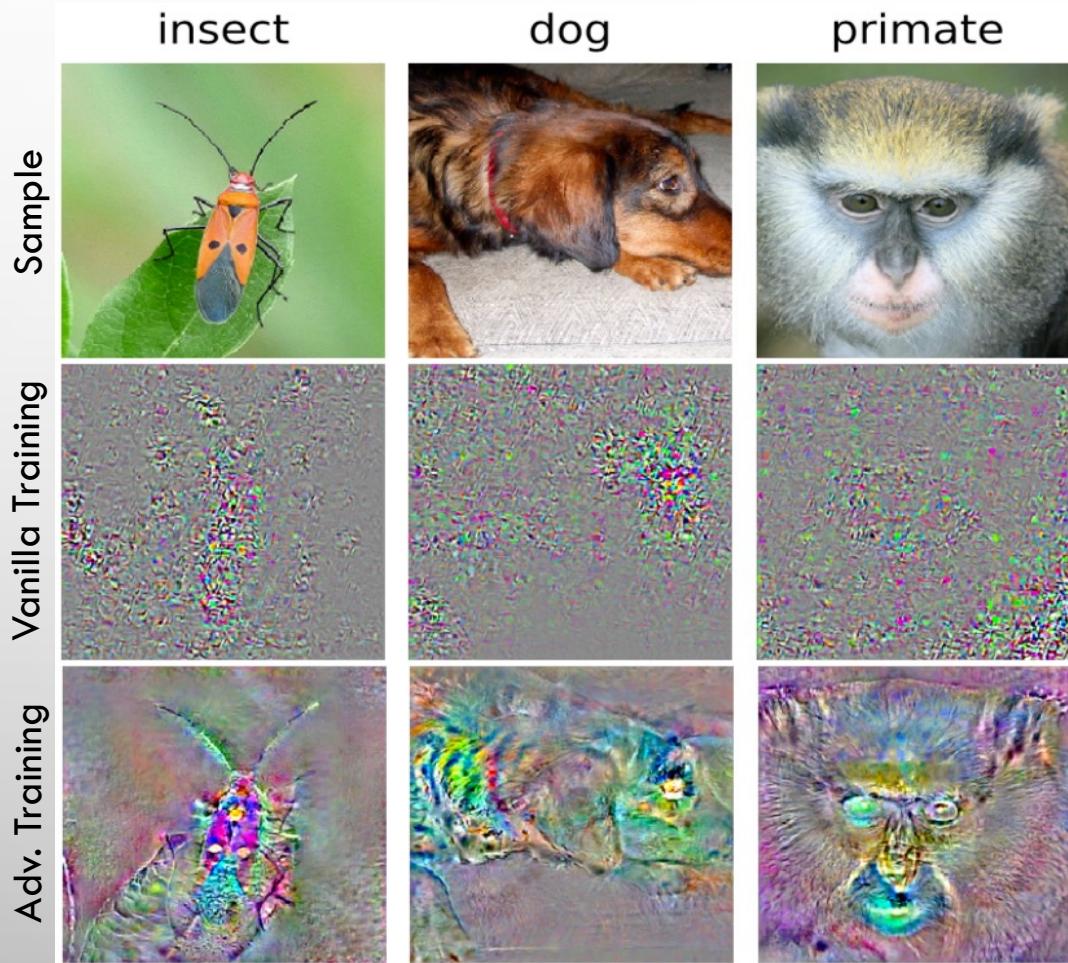


Label: King Penguin

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➤ Motivation

Adversarial examples provide **VALUABLE & NEW** features



The loss gradient w.r.t. the input pixel of
adversarially trained models is

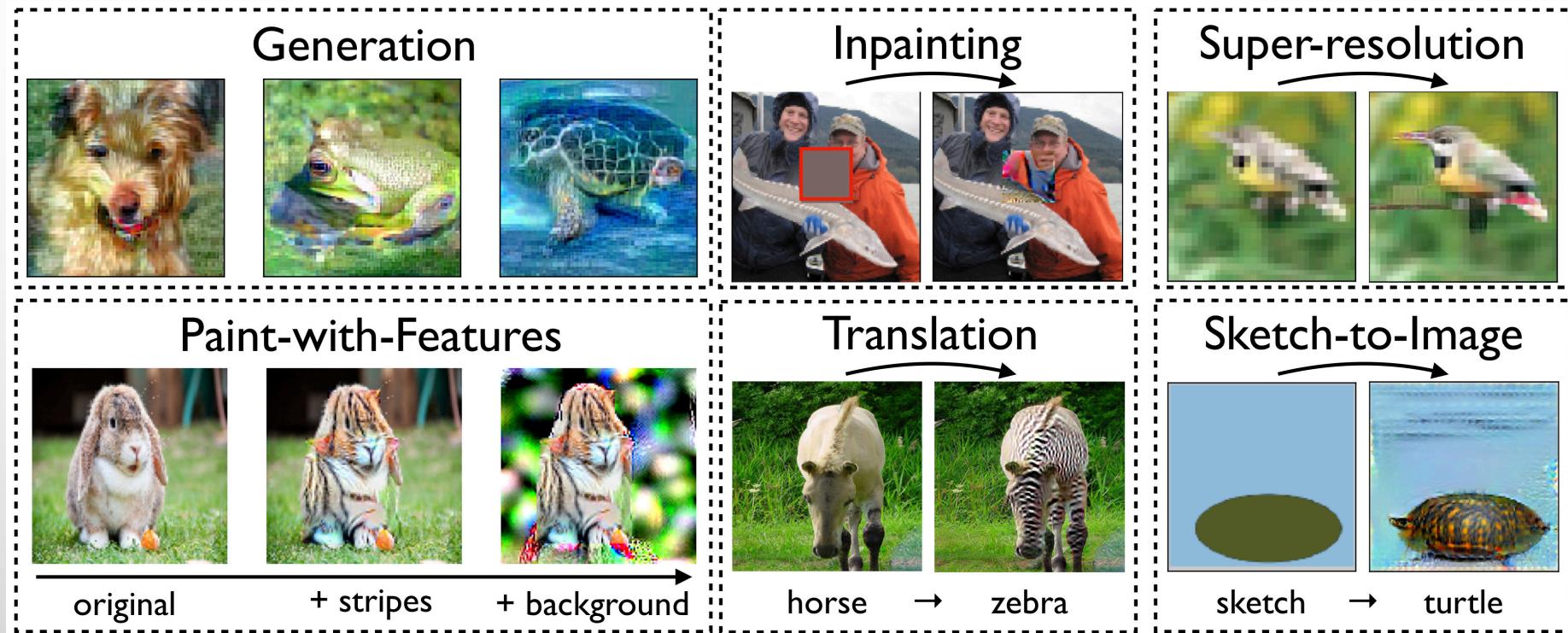
HUMAN-ALIGNED

[Tsipras et al. 2019]

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Adversarially trained models are pretty good at tackle

IMAGE SYNTHESIS TASKS

[Santurkar et al. 2019]

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➤ Motivation

Using features from adversarial examples **ALONE** are **NOT ENOUGH**

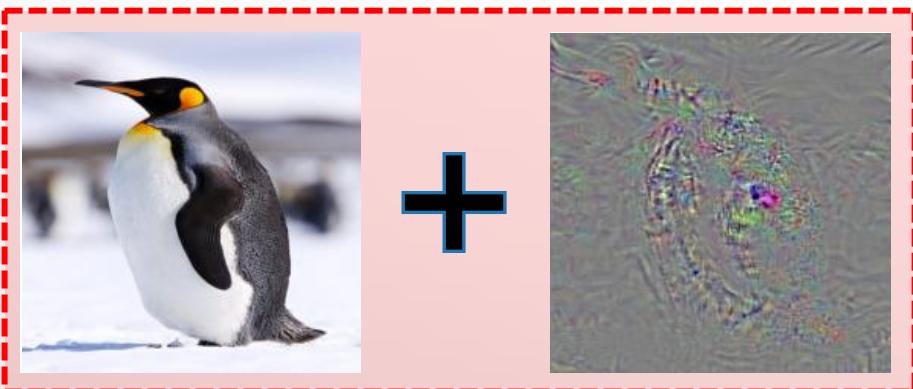


Training ~~EXCLUSIVELY~~ FINE-TUNING with adversarial images **IMPROVES** performance on clean images

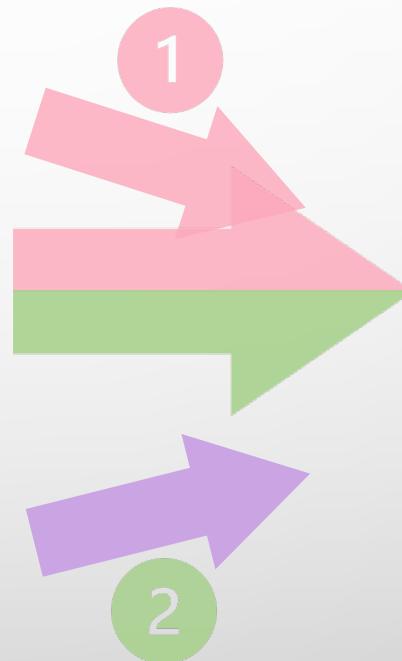
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➤ Our Solution

JOINT TRAINING But with Distinction



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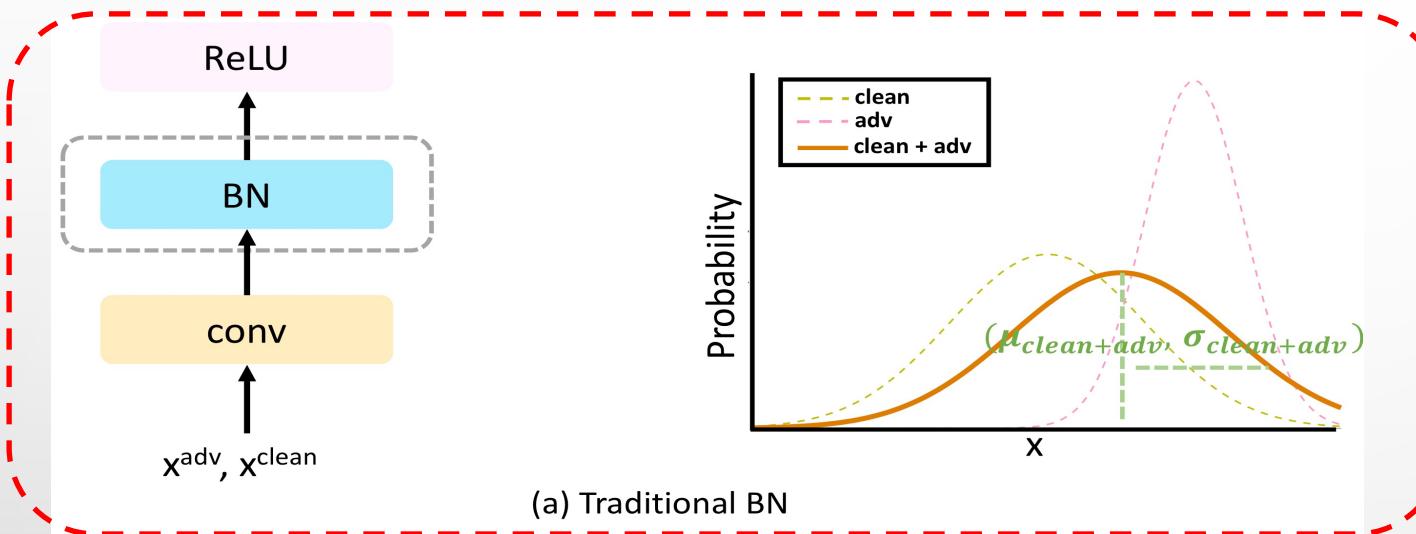
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Catastrophic Forgetting

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Joint Training BUT WITH DISTINCTION



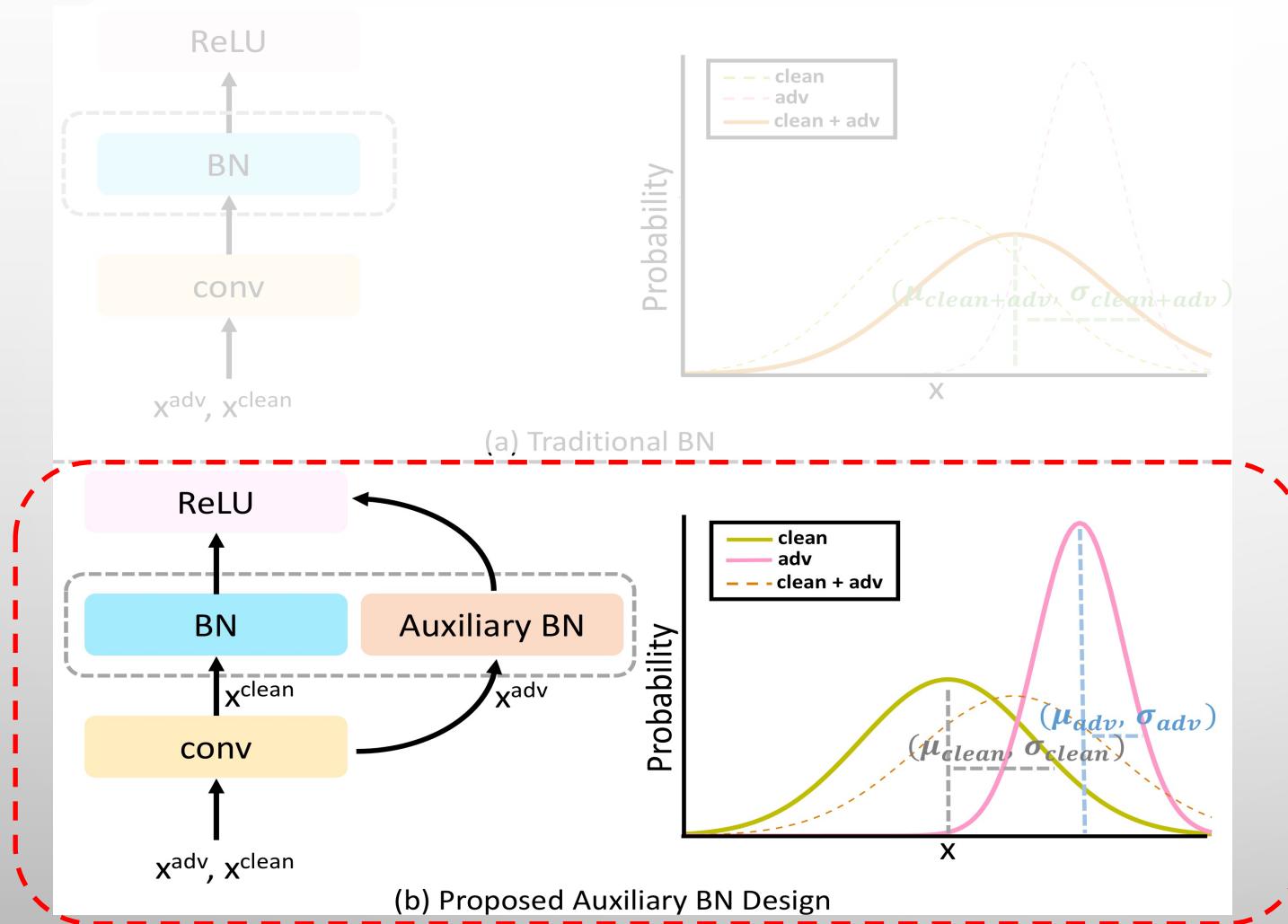
Traditional BN

The statistics estimation at BN may be **CONFUSED** when facing a mixture distribution

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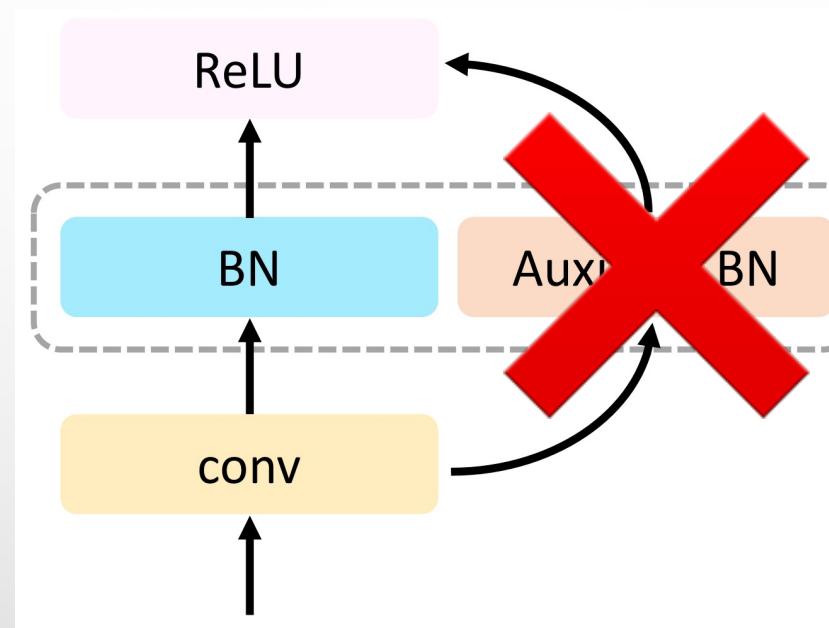
Proposed BN

Auxiliary BN guarantees that data from different distributions are **NORMALIZED SEPARATELY**

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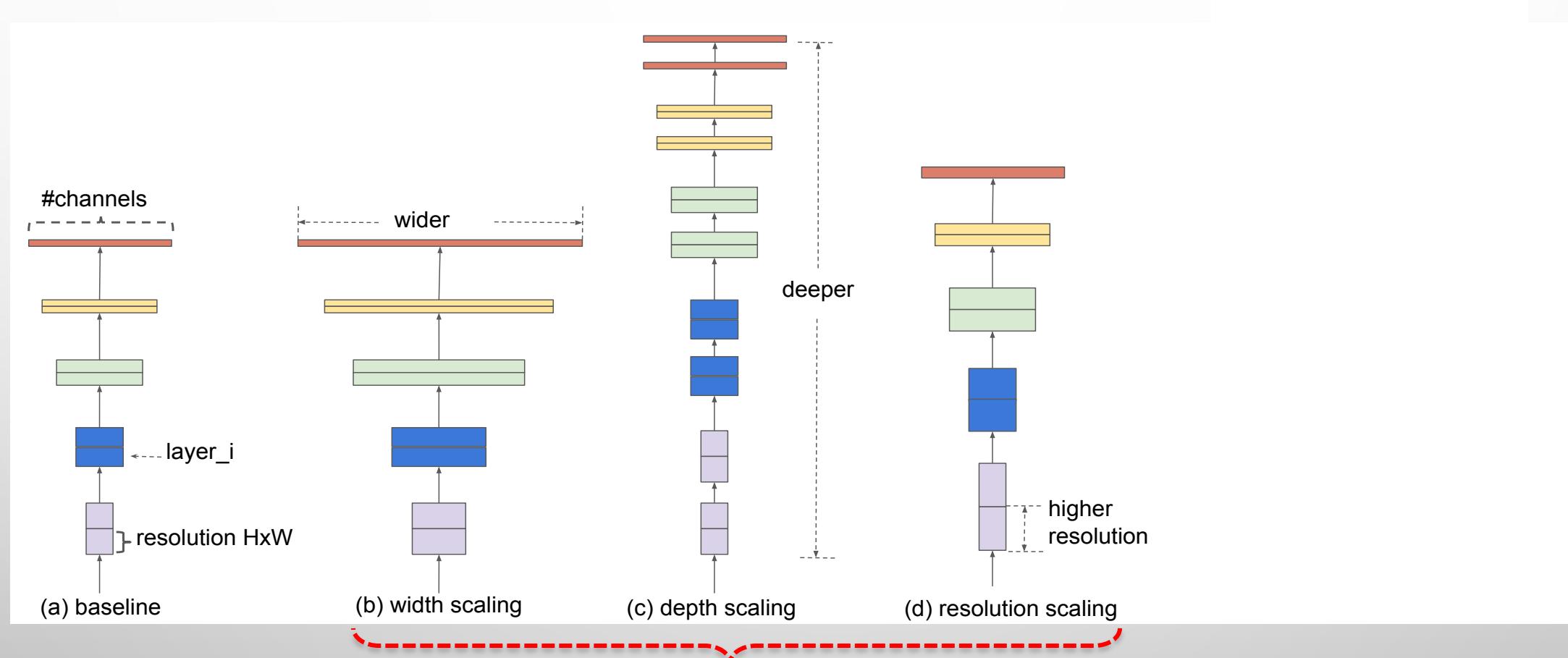
Adversarial Propagation (AdvProp)



Only Main BN is used at the **INFERENCE** stage

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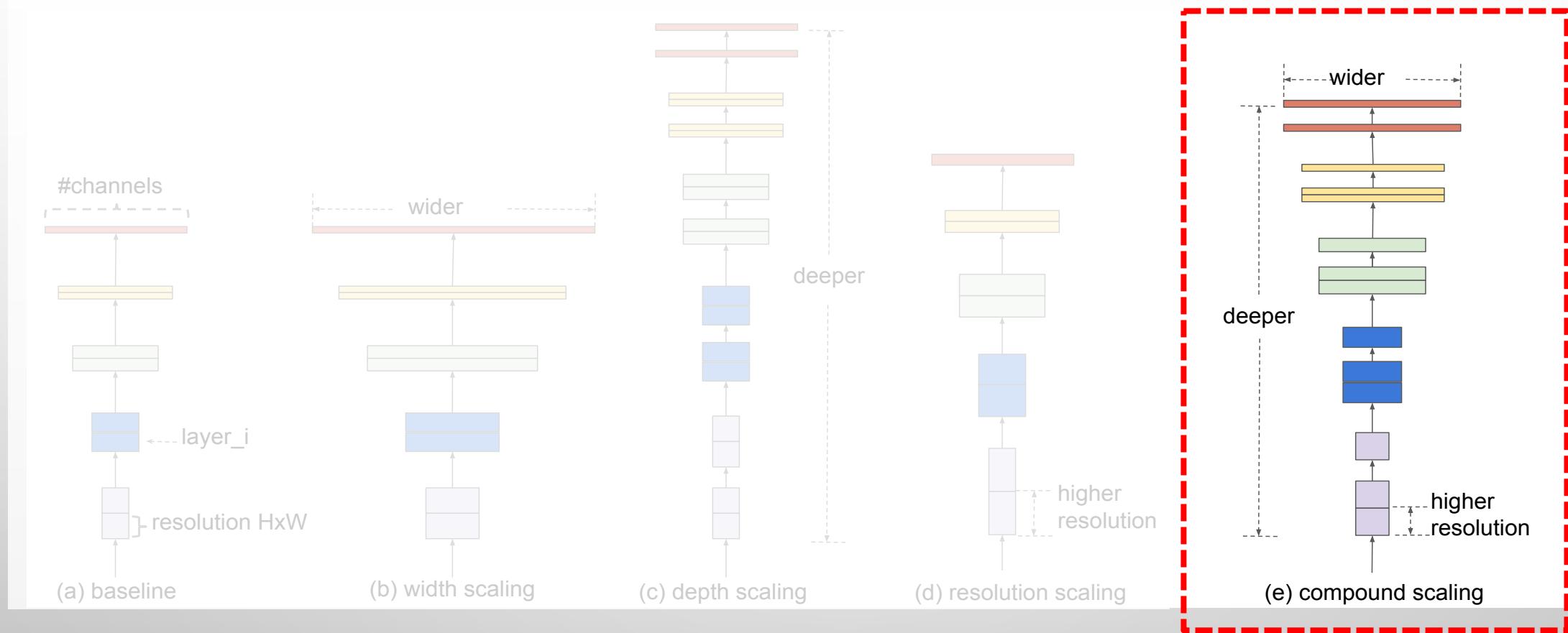
➤ Background --- EfficientNet



We already know **THREE** important scaling factors

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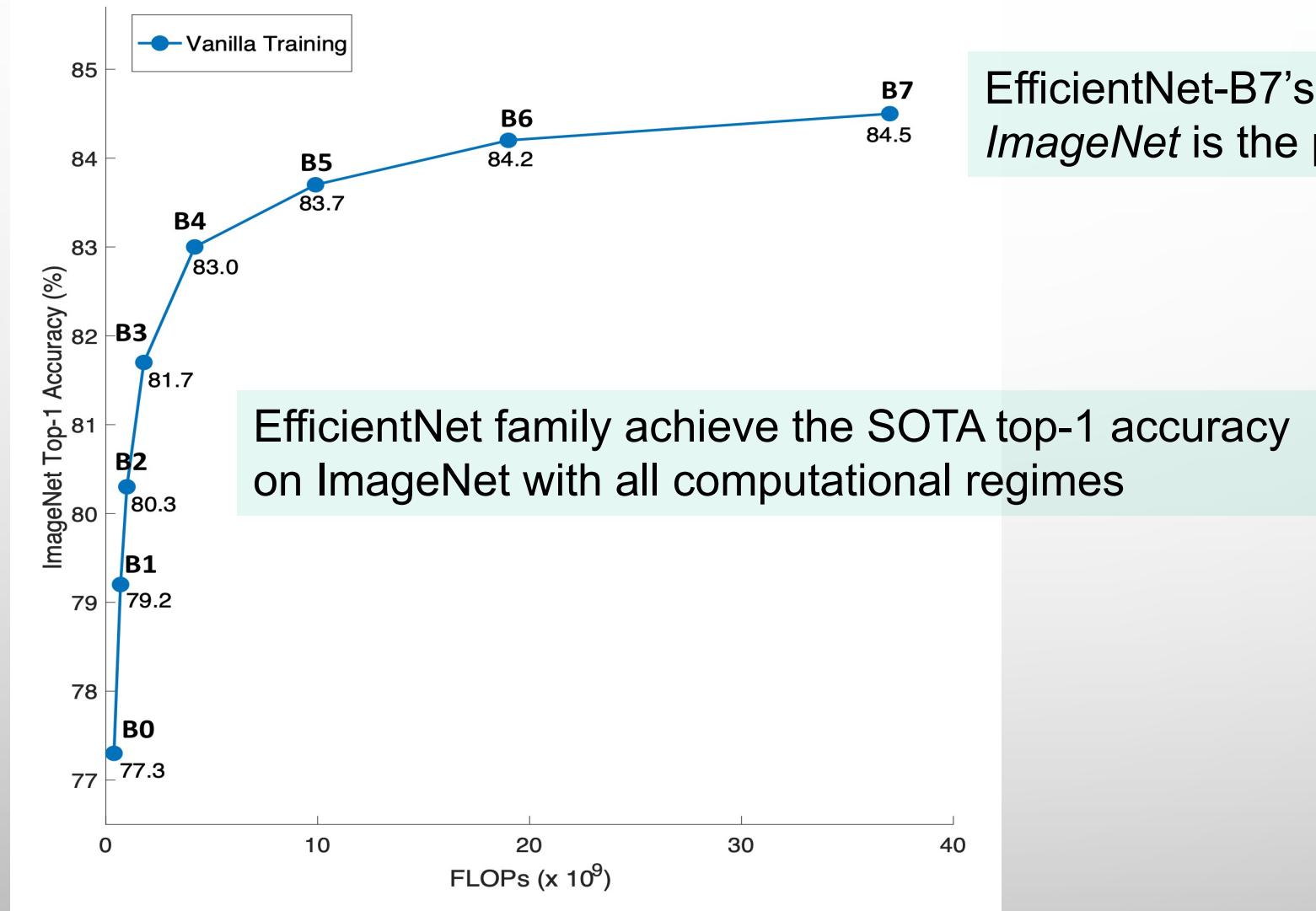
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A Better **SCALING-UP** Policy

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➤ Results on ImageNet

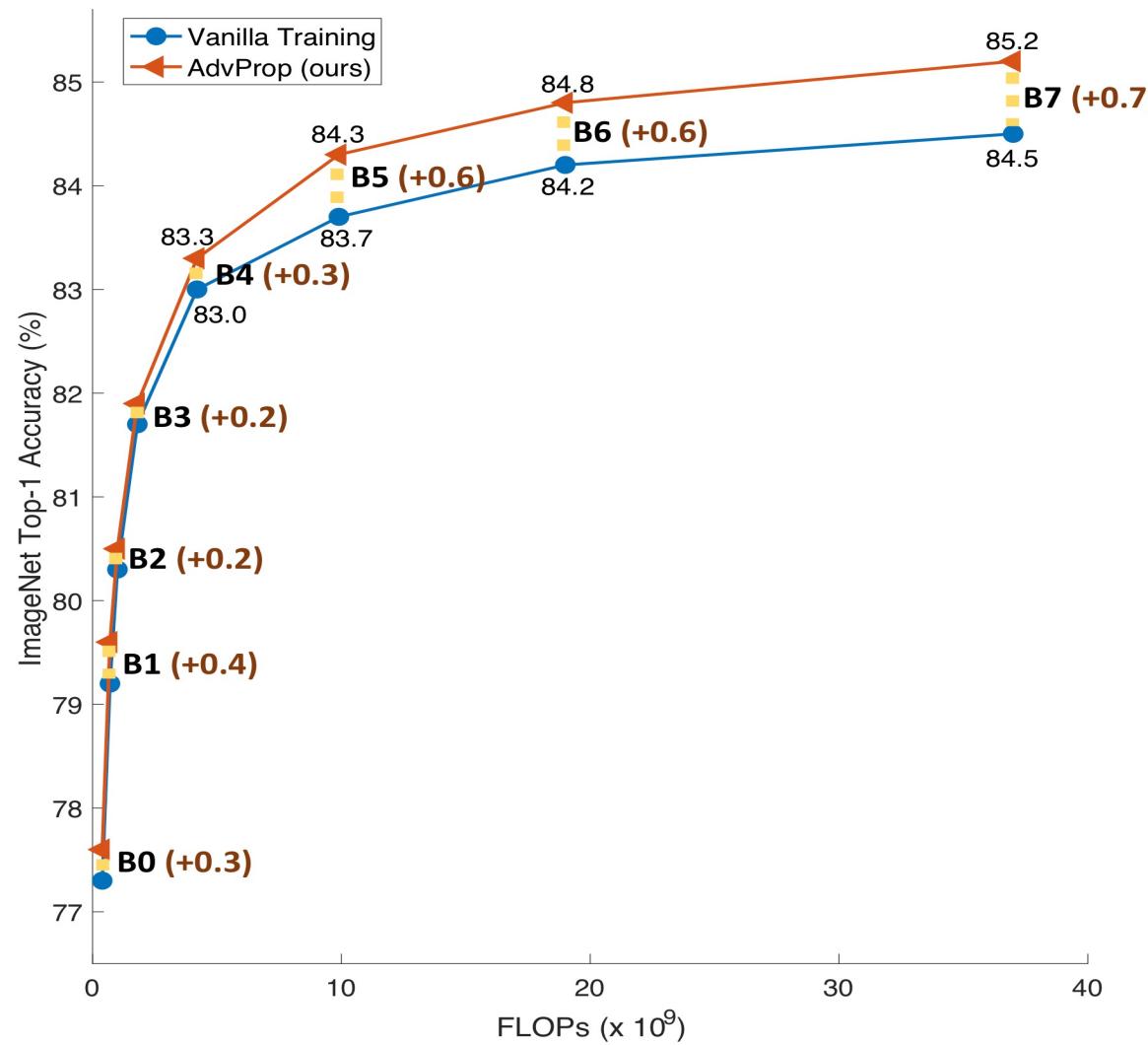


EfficientNet-B7's **84.5%** top-1 accuracy on *ImageNet* is the previous SOTA

EfficientNet family achieve the SOTA top-1 accuracy on ImageNet with all computational regimes

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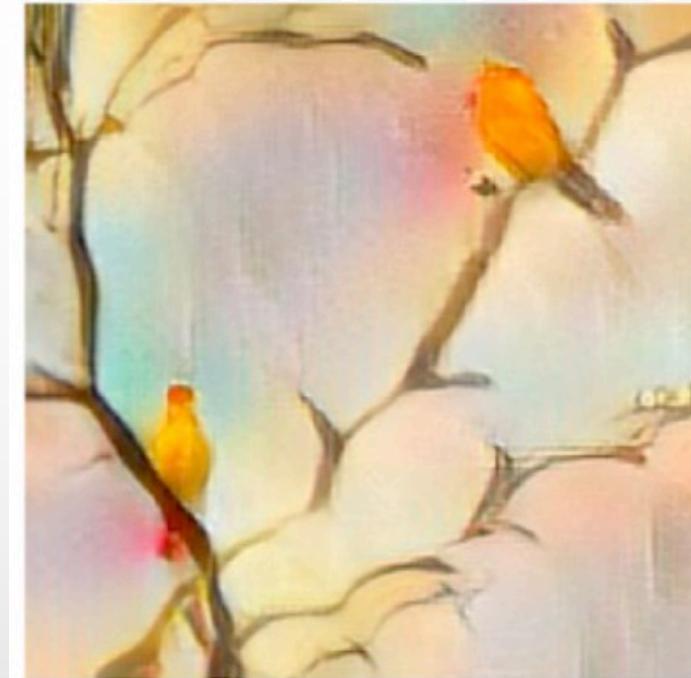
➤ Results on ImageNet



AdvProp improves EfficientNet-B7's top-1 accuracy by **0.7% (85.2%)**

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➤ *Out-of-Distribution* Generalization



Networks	ImageNet-C	ImageNet-A	Stylized-ImageNet
EfficientNet-B7	53.1%	37.7%	21.8%
+ AdvProp	58.2% (+5.1%)	44.7% (+7.0%)	26.6% (+4.8%)
ResNet-50	40.7%	3.1%	8.0%

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➤ Comparing to the Prior Art

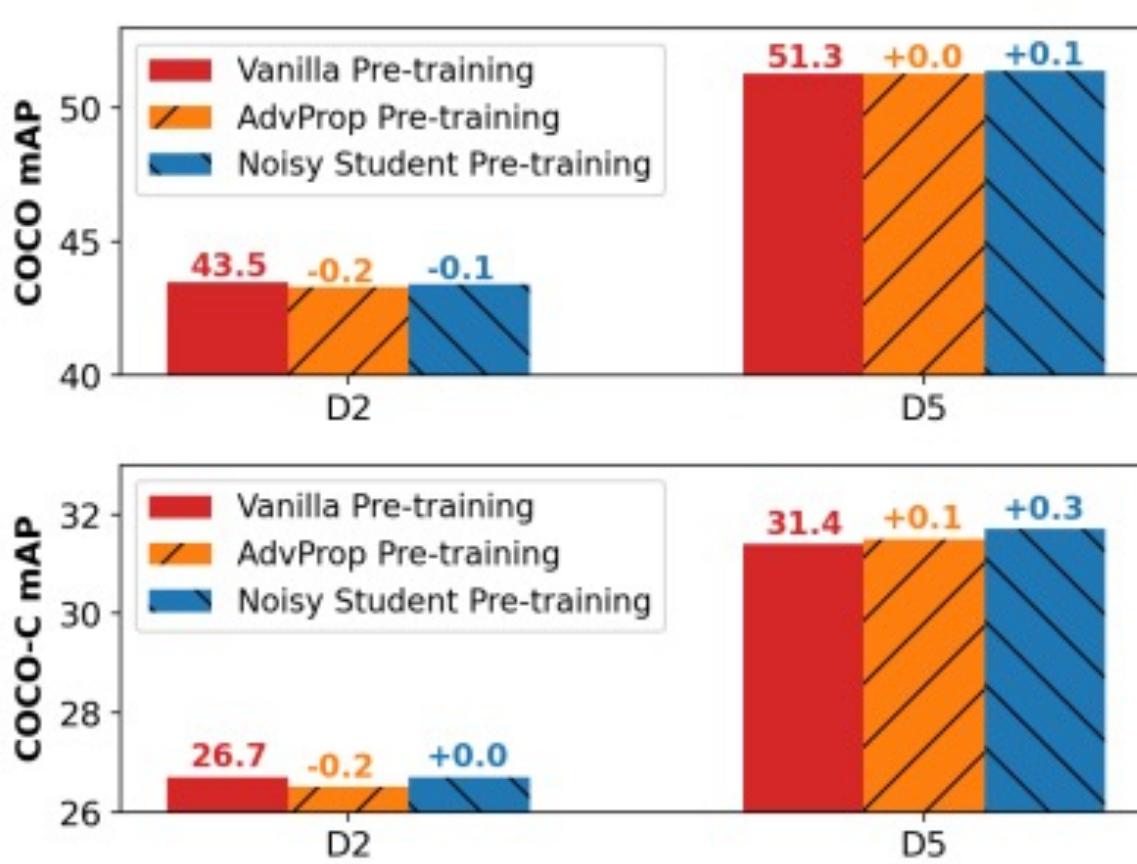
~10X LESS, ~~more~~ ~~extra~~ ~~training~~ ~~parameters~~ ~~extra~~ ~~data~~ ~~improves~~ ~~generalization~~ ~~performance~~

	# Params	Extra Data	Top-1 Acc.
EfficientNet-B8 + AdvProp	88M	\times	85.5%
ResNeXt-101 32x48d [20]	829M	3000 \times more	85.4%

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- Improving Object Detection [Chen et al. CVPR'21]

*Pre-training then **fine-tuning** paradigm*



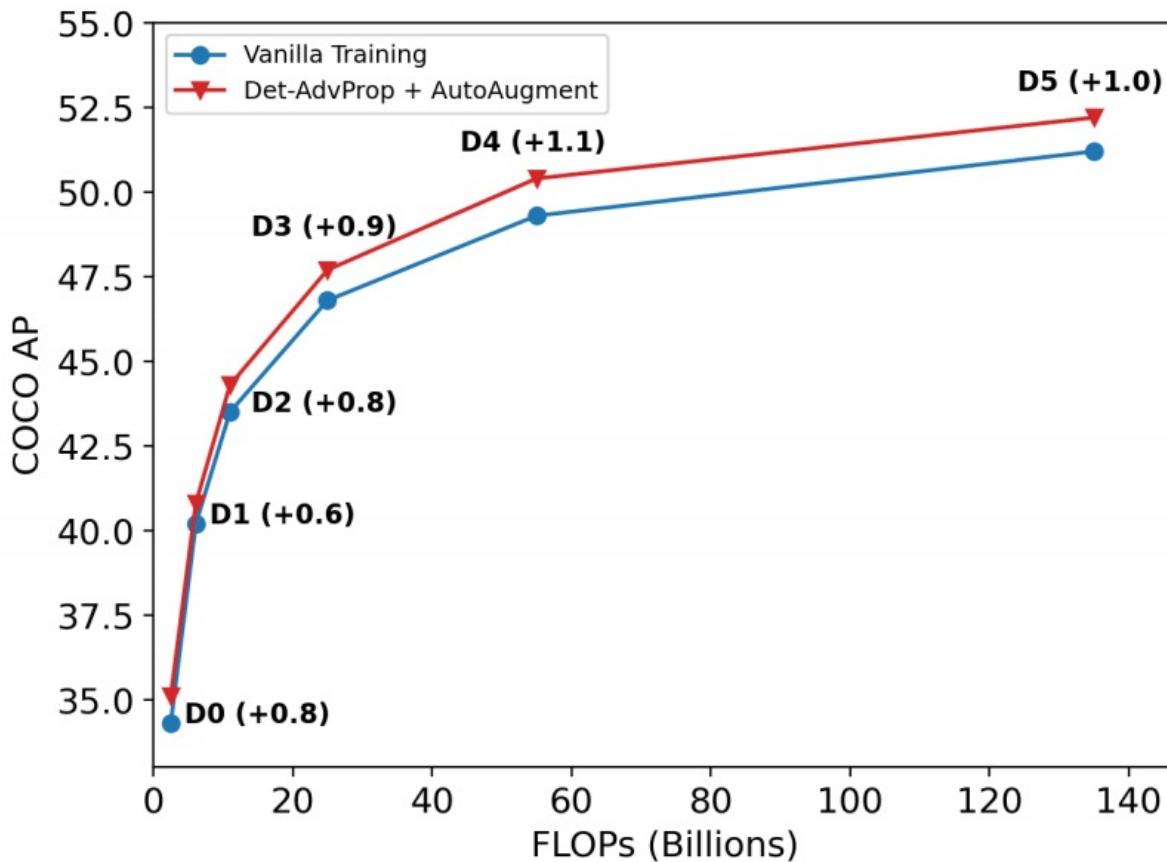
Finetuning **DIFFERENT** pre-trained models yields **SIMILAR** performance on both **accuracy** and **robustness**



directly augmenting down-stream object detection task

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➤ Improving Object Detection [Chen et al. CVPR'21]

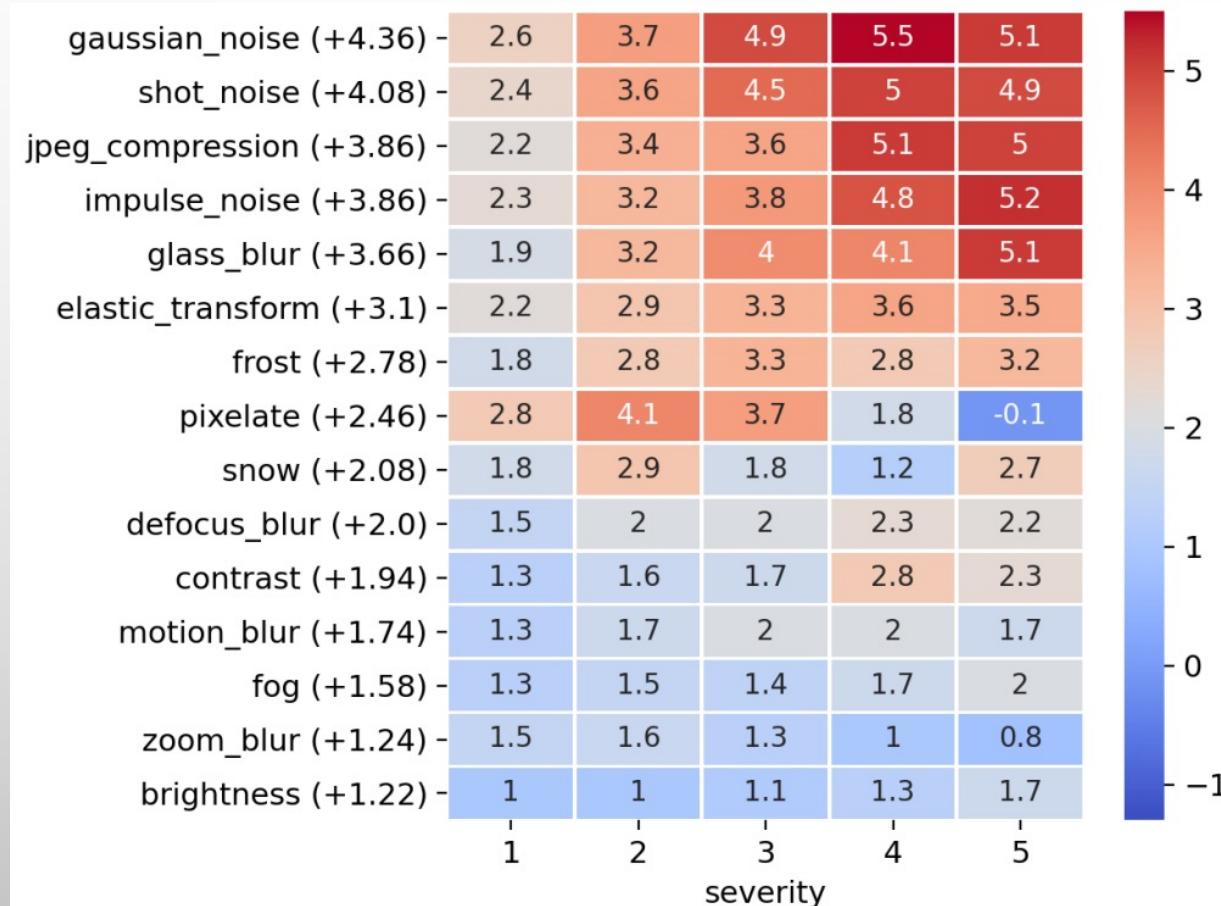


- Boost COCO accuracy up to 1.1 mAP
- Larger improvement on bigger model
- Adapt to single-class detection

Class	Object Size	# Images	Vanilla	Auto-Augment	Det-AdvProp (ours)
Donut	Small	1,585	25.4	23.9 (-1.5)	28.7 (+3.3)
Person	Medium	66,808	58.2	58.0 (-0.2)	58.5 (+0.3)
Truck	Large	6,377	28.1	25.5 (-2.6)	28.7 (+0.6)

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➤ Improving Object Detection [Chen et al. CVPR'21]



- COCO-C: 15 corruptions and 5 severity
- Significantly improve robustness
- Larger gain under stronger corruption strength

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➤ Improving Object Detection [Chen et al. CVPR'21]

Model	mAP	AP50	AP75
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(10200) Robust and Accurate Object Detection via

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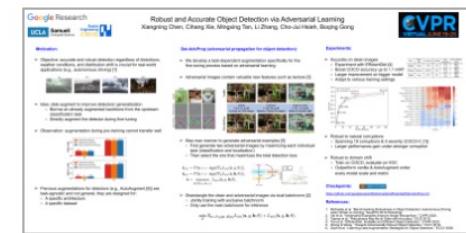
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+ Det-AdvProp (ours)	87.5 (+0.5)	80.0 (+0.0)	74.0 (+1.0)
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EfficientDet-D5	67.4	86.9	73.8
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+ AutoAugment	67.6 (+0.2)	87.2 (+0.3)	74.2 (+0.4)
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+ Det-AdvProp (ours)	68.2 (+0.8)	87.6 (+0.7)	74.7 (+0.9)
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➤ Shape-Texture Debiased Training [Li et al. ICLR'21]



(a) Texture image
81.4% **Indian elephant**
10.3% indri
8.2% black swan



(b) Content image
71.1% **tabby cat**
17.3% grey fox
3.3% Siamese cat

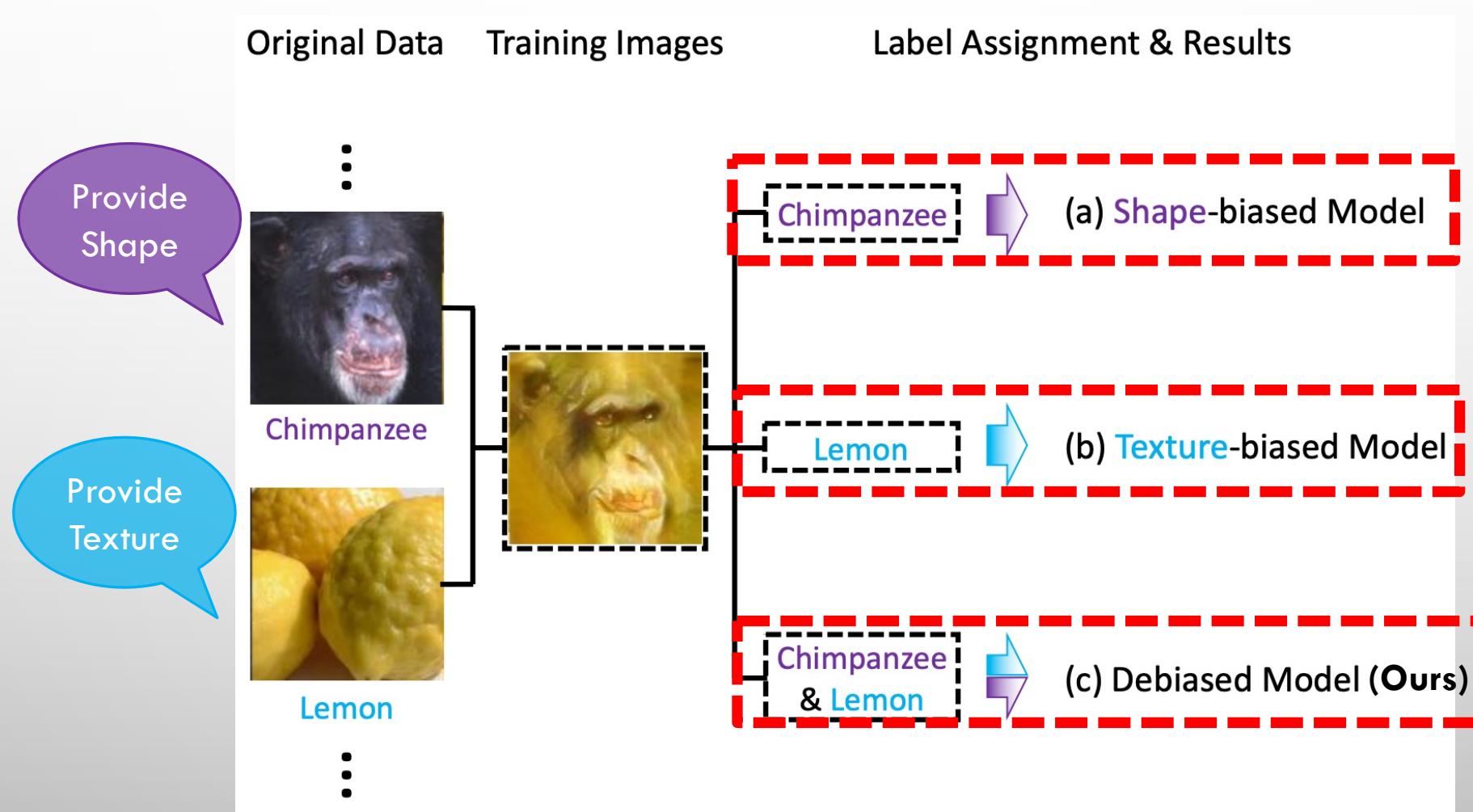


(c) Texture-shape cue conflict
63.9% **Indian elephant**
26.4% indri
9.6% black swan

ImageNet-trained CNNs are biased towards texture [Geirhos et al. 2019]

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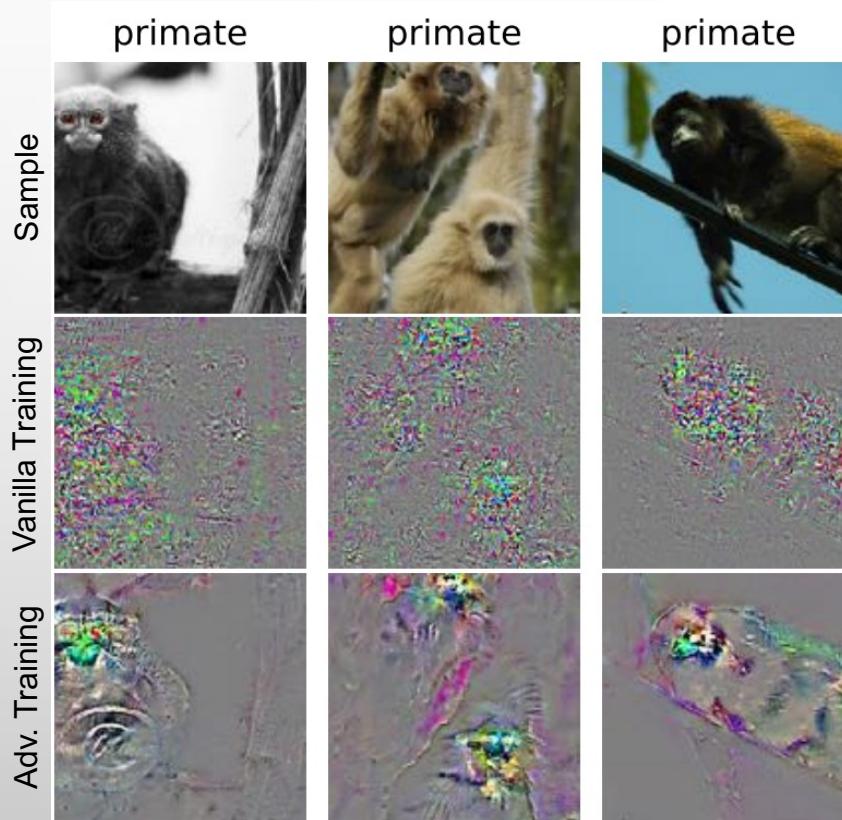
- Shape-Texture Debiased Training [Li et al. ICLR'21]

	CLEAN Top-1 Acc. \uparrow	IMAGENET-A Top-1 Acc. \uparrow	IMAGENET-C mCE \downarrow	S-IMAGENET Top-1 Acc. \uparrow	FGSM Top-1 Acc. \uparrow
ResNet-50	76.4	2.0	75.0	7.4	17.1
Debiased	76.9(+0.5)	3.5(+1.5)	67.5(-7.5)	17.4(+10.0)	27.4(+10.3)
ResNet-101	77.9	5.6	69.8	9.9	23.1
Debiased	78.9(+1.0)	9.1(+3.5)	62.2(-7.6)	22.0(+12.1)	34.4(+11.3)
ResNet-152	78.6	7.4	67.2	11.3	25.2
Debiased	79.8(+1.2)	12.6(+5.2)	58.9(-8.3)	22.4(+11.1)	39.6(+14.4)

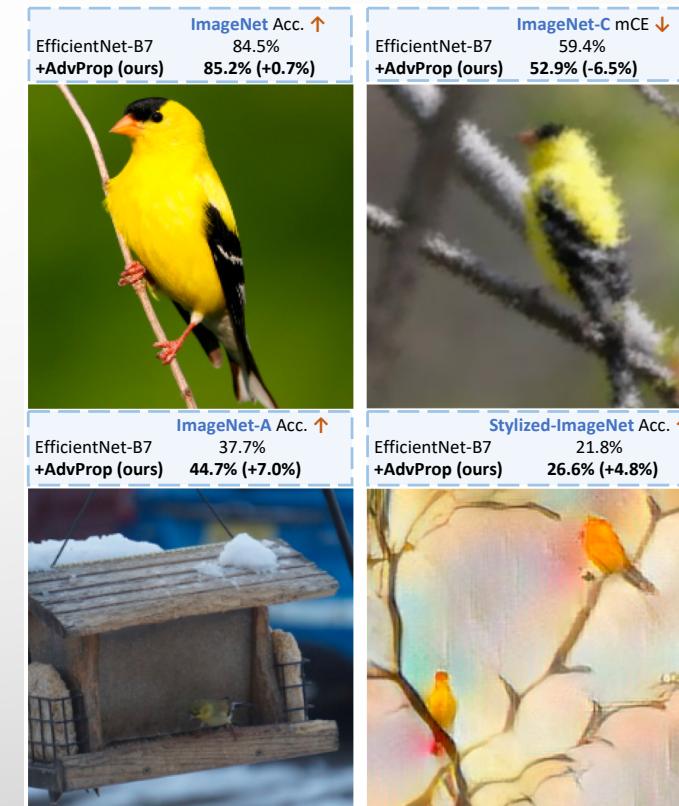
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Takeaways

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Qualitative Evidence
[Tsipras et al. 2019]

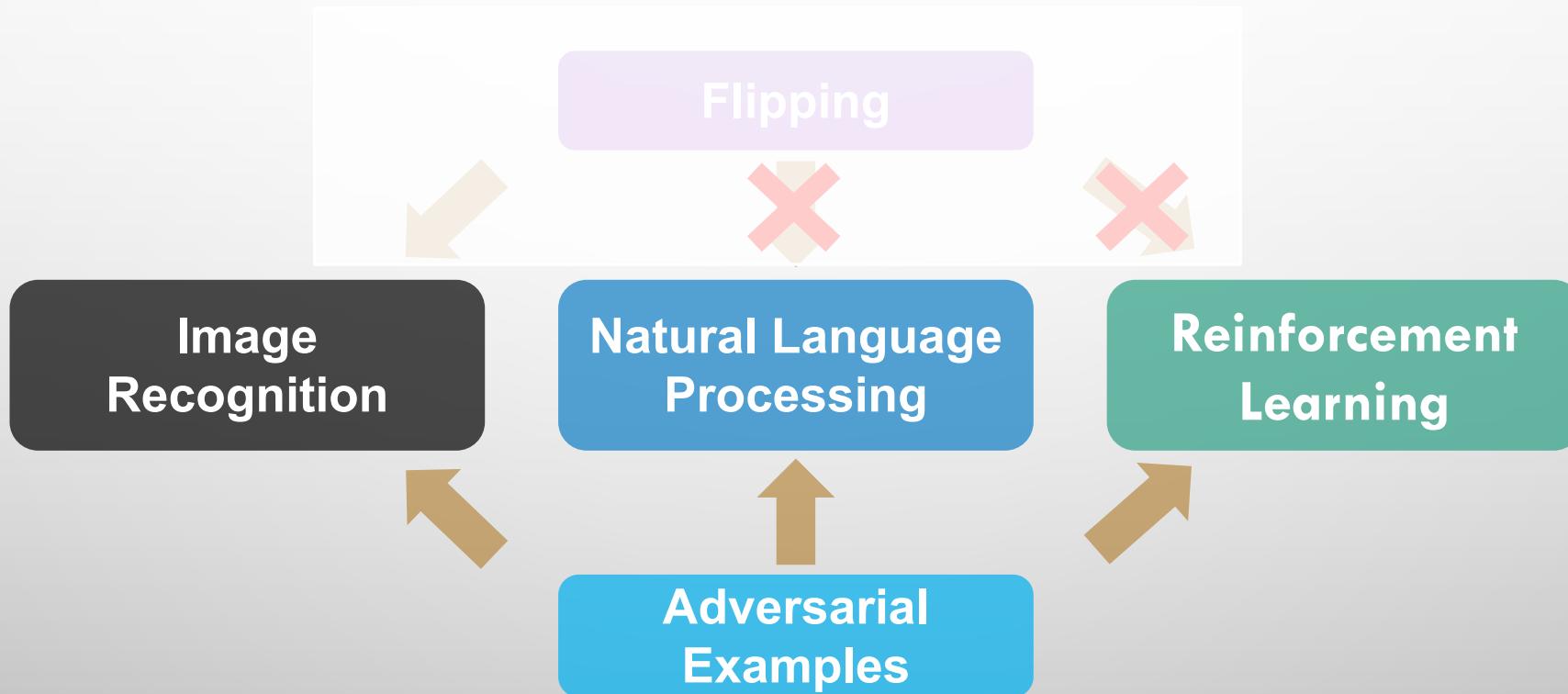


Quantitative Evidence
[Xie et al. 2020]

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- **DISENTANGLED LEARNING** is important when inputs come from different distributions

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➤ Adversarial examples are VALUABLE

Shape cue: cat
Texture cue: elephant



Style Transfer

Adversarial Perturbation

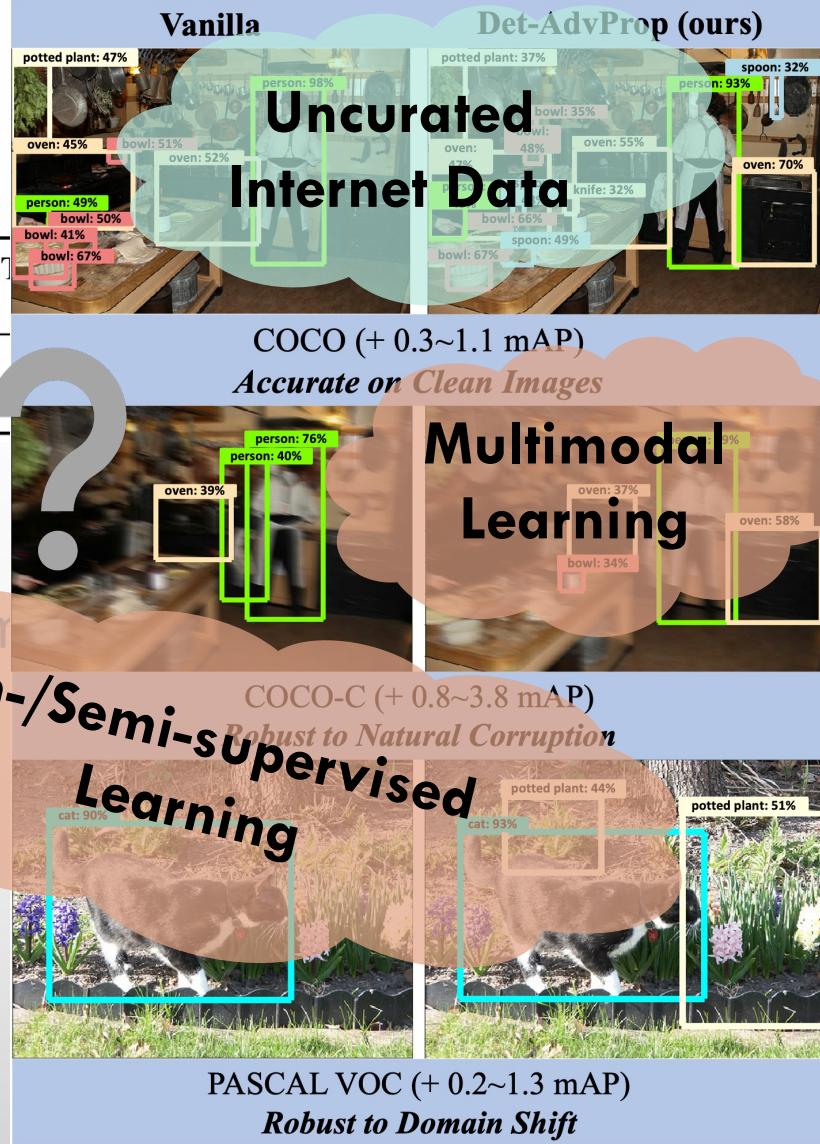
AdvProp
(CVPR'20)

Shape-Texture
(ICLR'21)

Synthetic Data

	IMAGENET-A Top-1 Acc. ↑	IMAGENET mCE ↓
ResNet-152 + Debiased	7.4 12.6 (+5.2)	67.2 58.9 (-8)

Few-shot
Learning



Classification

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Detection

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