

Adversarial Localization Network

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Introduction

Problem

- Hard to obtain localization and segmentation annotations
- Develop weakly supervised approaches
- ➤ Localize object with image-level labels only

Previous Work

- > Perturb image regions, eg. by occlusion
- > Maximally decreases prediction confidence of a classifier
- > Assume object region important to the decision

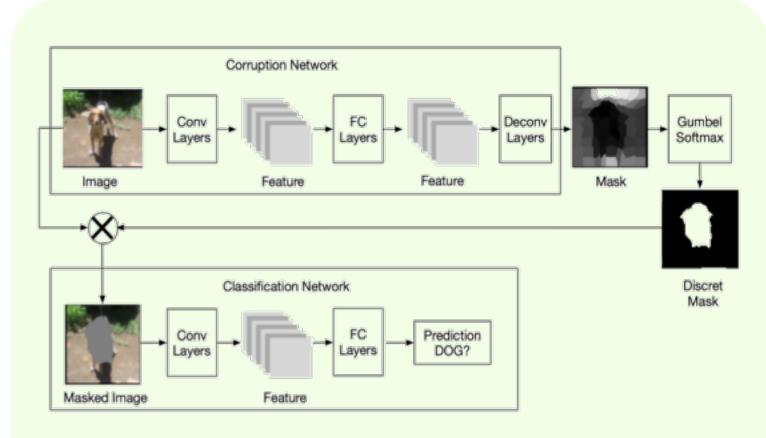
Limitations

- > Classifier vulnerability to adversarial noise
- > Partition the space into very coarse grids to alleviate
- > Lead to coarse grained and inaccurate localizations

Our work

- > Inspired by VAT, perform adversarial training
- > Making classifier more robust against adversarial noise
- Utilize super-pixels, lead to better object boundary

Architecture



- Corruption Network
 Produce saliency masks from original image
- Classification Network
 Produce classification scores of masked image
- Adversarial Training
 Robust against adversarial noise

Approach

Corruption Network

- > Capture both *global* and *local* information
- Global Information
 Deep Conv-Deconv neural network architecture
- Local Information
 Residual connections between intermediate layers

Probabilities to Masks

- Super-pixel Representation
- object boundaries align with image edges
- masking decision for each super-pixel as a whole
- alleviates the vulnerability to adversarial perturbations
- Probability Discretize
- Gumbel Trick
- Sample: $u_1, u_2 \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1)$, $z_i = -ln(-ln(-u_i)), i = 1, 2$
- Draw sample from: $x = \mathbb{I}(p+z_1 > 1-p+z_2)$
- > Back-propagate
- Gradients approximated by the straight-through estimator

Adversarial Training Procedure

Corruption Loss

Encourage classifier for same logit score for each class

$$Loss_{corruption}(x^i) = \sum_{j=1}^{K} y_j l_j - \frac{1}{K-1} (1 - y_j) l_j$$

Classification Loss

Softmax cross-entropy loss

$$Loss_{classifier}(x^i) = \sum_{j=1}^{K} l_j log(y_j)$$

> Penalization

Penalize the total area of the generated masks Force to generate the minimum confusing mask

Conclusion

- ➤ A novel weakly supervised approach for object localization
- Apply adversarial training to avoid vulnerability
- ➤ Utilize super-pixels, which lead to:
 - 1. Better object boundary
 - 2. Alleviate vulnerability to adversarial perturbations

Experiments

Evaluation Metric

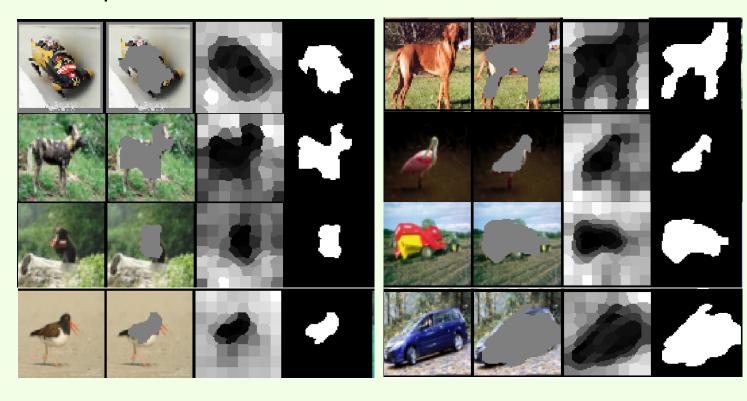
- Metric 1: Top-1 Accuracy
- more than 50% IoU between prediction and ground truth
- ➤ **Metric 2**: Top-1 Accuracy with Classification
- more than 50% IoU between prediction and ground truth
- Image-level class predict correctly

Localization Performance

- > Small 64×64 input image
- simple 4-layer convolutional network
- > 0.093 seconds per image
- Compare with baseline models:

Methods	Metric 1	Metric 2
Max Image Box	41.0%	34.3%
Backprop		38.7%
Layer-wise Relevance Propagation	42.2%	
Global Average Pooling	51.9%	43.6%
Adversarial Localization Network	56.5%	45.5%

Sample Masks



Adversarial Necessity

- Get adversarial artifacts when freeze classifier
- > Trainable layers increase, adversarial artifacts decrease
- Adversarial Examples:

