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DEFENSE AGAINST ADVERSARIAL EXAMPLES

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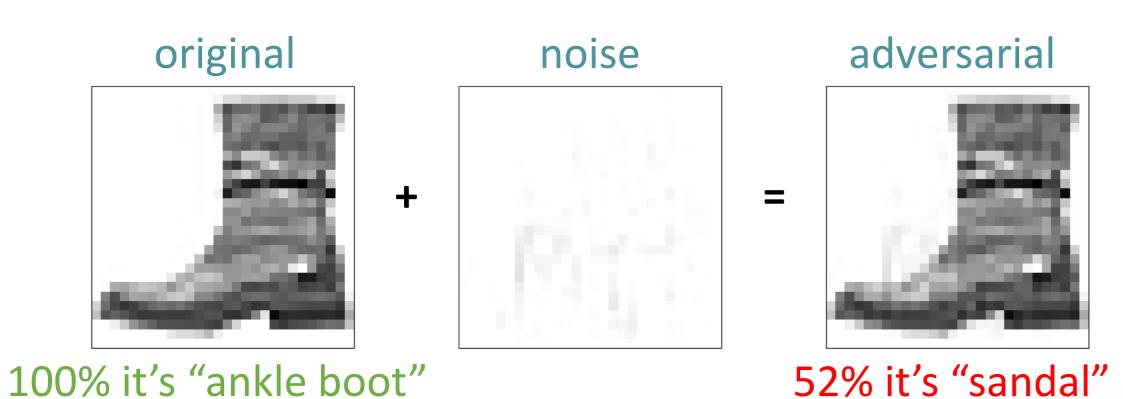
Problem Description

Building high accuracy DNN models which are sufficiently resistant to adversarial attacks



Background and Goal

- ☐ An adversarial example is an instance with small, intentional feature perturbations that causes a machine learning model to make a false prediction.
- ☐ The goal is to find a way to train 'secured' models such that this sort of attacks should not affect them.
- ☐ Project based on the article Bridging machine learning and cryptography in defense against adversarial attacks



example of an adversarial image

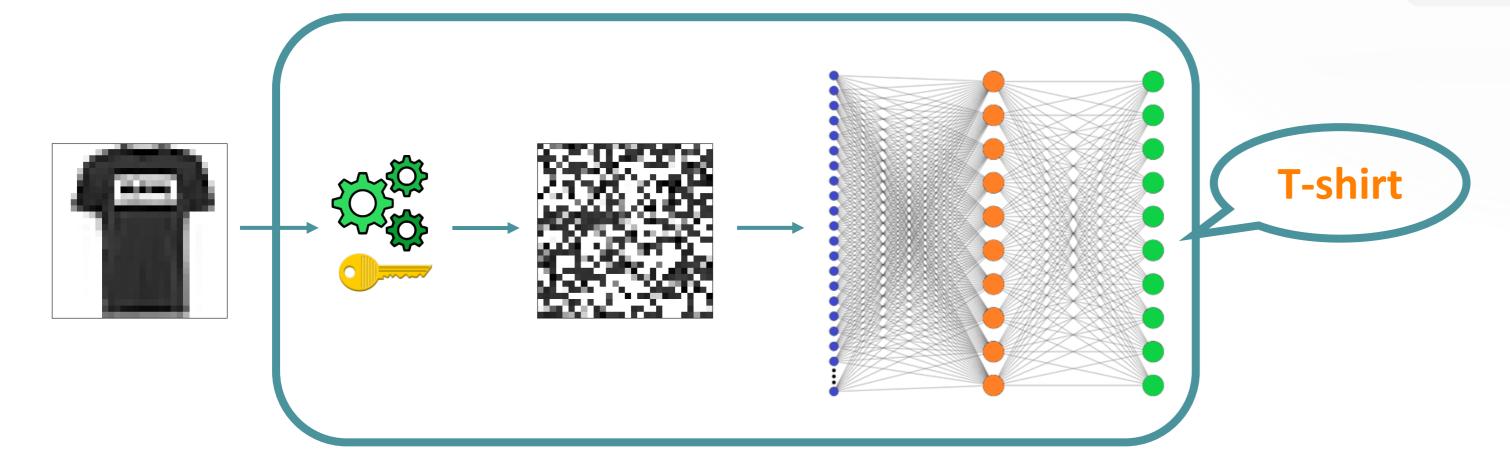
Set-Up

- Mnist and Fashion-Mnist datasets
- ✓ Using well-known neural nets
- ✓ Training 'unsecured' models

Securing Models

Approach: training models on encrypted images. Encryption techniques:

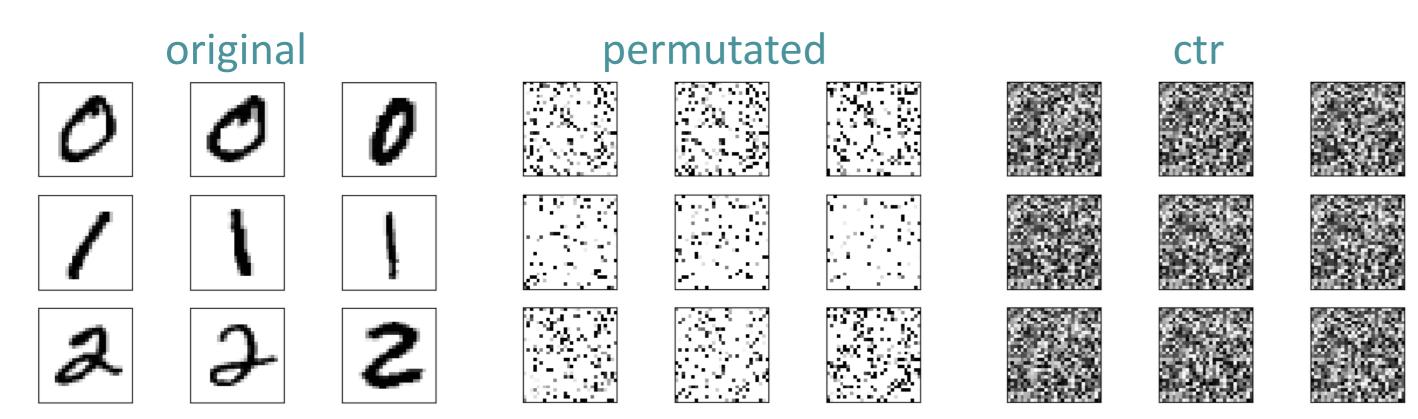
- Permutation
- AES in ECB, CBC and CTR modes



architecture for securing models

Cutting Loose Ends

Eliminated the models that did not learn well. Learning encrypted images is not very intuitive, as can seen below.



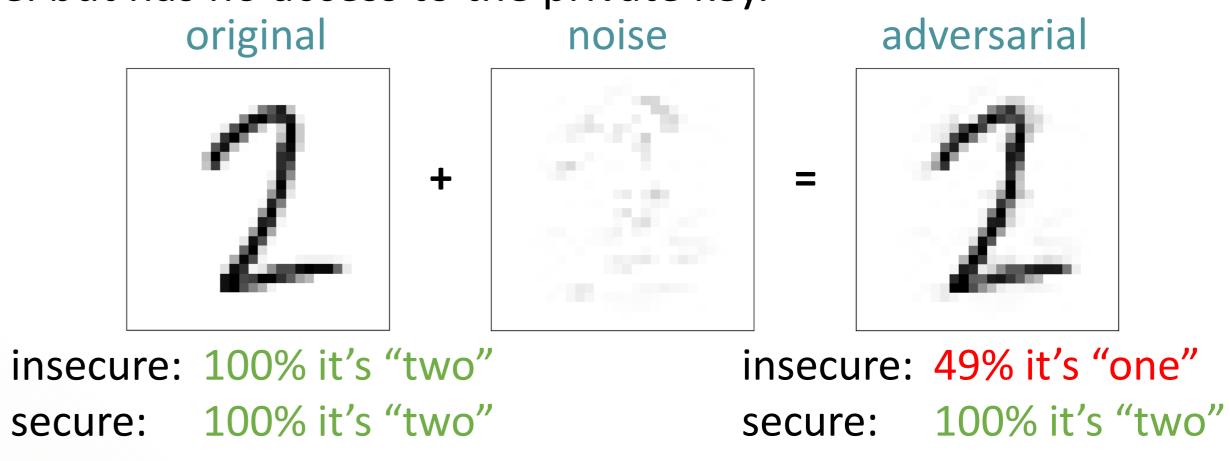
sample of the encrypted images.

Attacking

Attacks:

- Carlini & Wagner, CW
- > Fast Gradient Sign Method, FGSM

'gray-box' scenario, i.e. the attacker knows the architecture of the model but has no access to the private key.



visualization of a CW attack secured by permutation

Results

There's a slight tradeoff between accuracy on the original images and the accuracy on the adversarials, but overall, accuracies are good

	model	images	unencrypted	Permutated	aes · ecb	aes · cbc	aes · ctr
mnist	A	originals	1.49	3.70	18.40	67.60	3.70
		$cw\ l_2$	100.00	4.50			4.20
		$cw\ l_0$	100.00	7.30			9.60
		cw l_{∞}	100.00	5.40			4.90
	В	originals	2.10	4.20	19.30	87.40	2.70
		fgsm	39.50	8.60			4.90

	model	images	unencrypted	permutated	aes · ecb	aes · cbc	aes · ctr
fashion-mnist	Α	originals	8.30	12.30	54.60	71.50	17.40
		cw l_2	100.00	12.70			17.20
		cw l_0	100.00	12.50			18.70
		cw l_{∞}	100.00	12.90			17.80
	В	originals	9.50	12.00	55.30	90.30	16.70
		fgsm	77.20	29.80			26.50

classification error (%) on the first 1000 test samples

Success with Permutation, Coincidence?

To verify the learning ability of a permutation model does not result from high density in small images, we trained models on padded images.

	image size	error rate
	28x28	3.70
mnist	40x40	3.40
	60x60	3.30
fools: on	28x28	12.30
fashion mnist	40x40	14.40
	60x60	10.80

results for training permutated data, various image dimensions

Future Work

- Improve accuracy on AES-ECB model
- Nicholas Carlini ('C' in CW) believes that CW might still defeat these defenses
- Test on more complicated datasets; i.e. Cifar-10

























