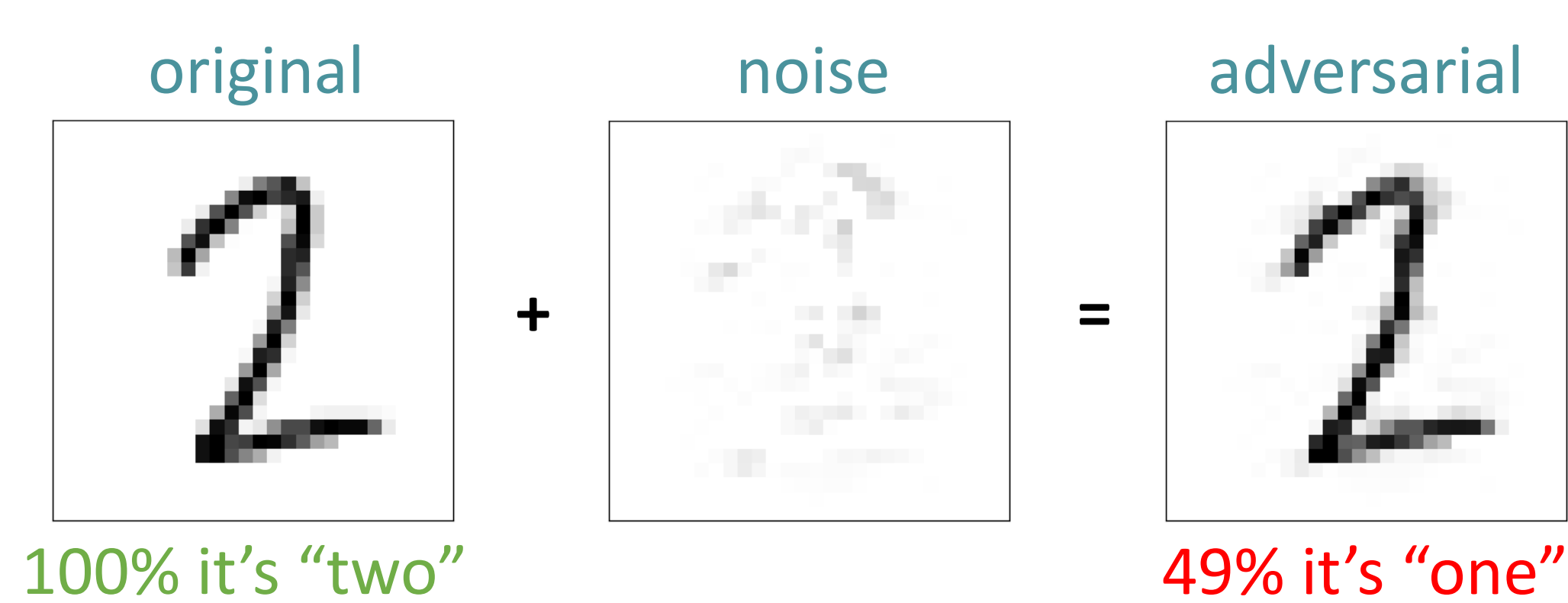


Problem Description

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 these 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

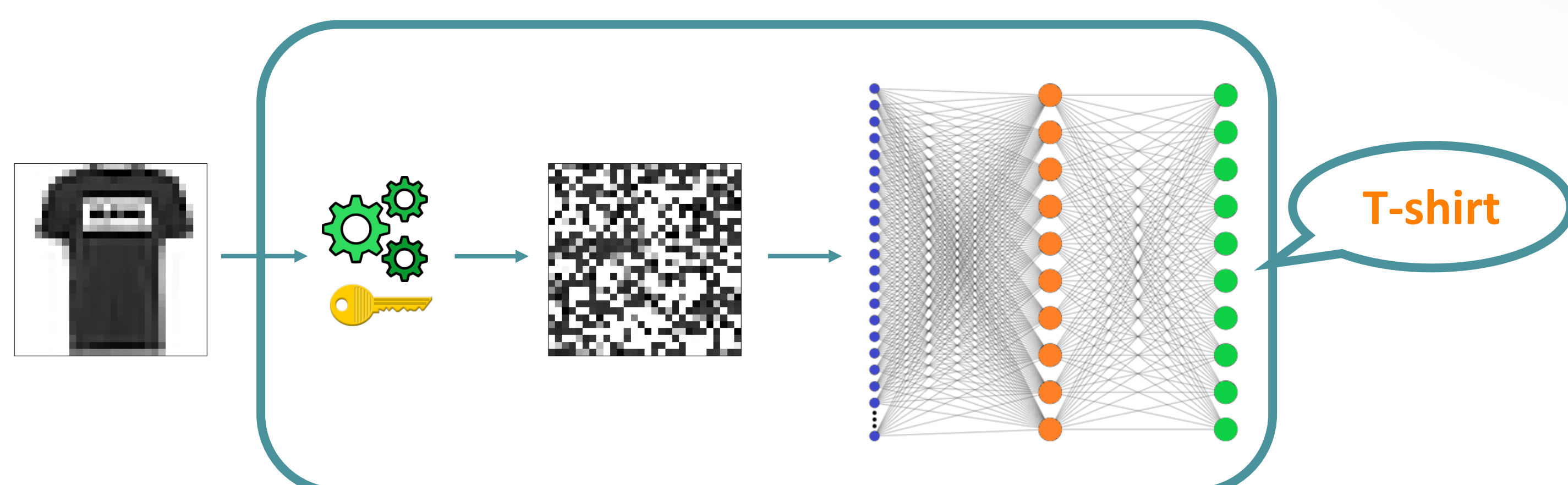
Set-Up

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

Securing Models

Approach: training models on encrypted images.
Encryption techniques:

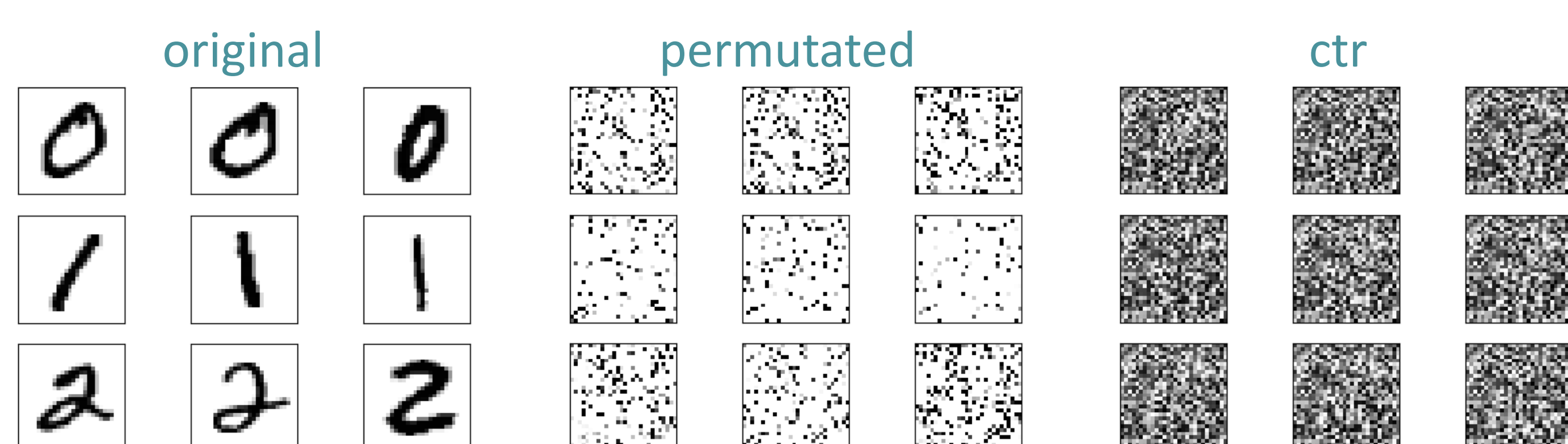
- Permutation
- AES in ECB, CBC and CTR modes



architecture for securing models

Cutting Loose Ends

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

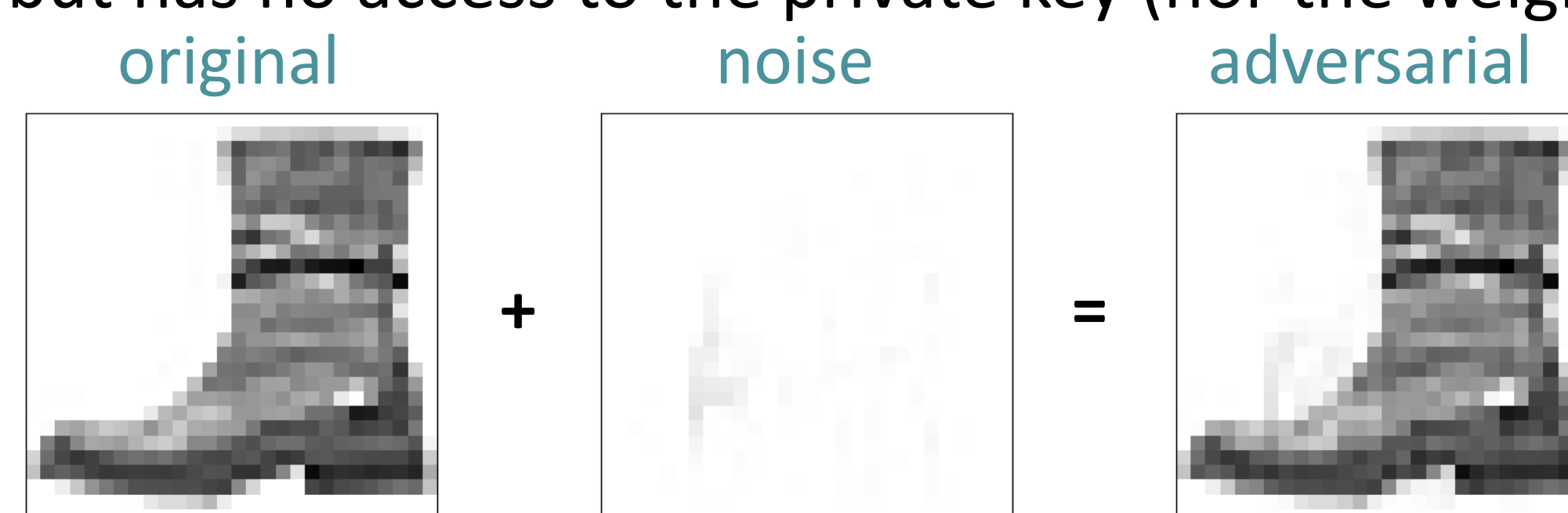


sample of the encrypted images.

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 (nor the weights).



unsecured: 100% it's "ankle boot" unsecured: 52% it's "sandal"
secured: 95% it's "ankle boot" secured: 73% it's "ankle boot"

visualization of a CW attack secured by AES-CTR

Results

We achieved the goal with models applying permutation and AES-CTR encryption techniques on the images. Full results below.

Model	Images	Unsecured	Permutation	AES-ECB	AES-CBC	AES-CTR
A	Originals	1.50	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
B	Originals	2.10	4.20	19.30	87.40	2.70
	FGSM	39.50	8.60			4.90

Model	Images	Unsecured	Permutation	AES-ECB	AES-CBC	AES-CTR
A	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
B	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 that 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
MNIST	28x28	3.70
	40x40	3.40
	60x60	3.30
Fashion-MNIST	28x28	12.30
	40x40	14.40
	60x60	10.80

results for training permuted 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