

The many faces of reliability of visual perception for autonomous driving

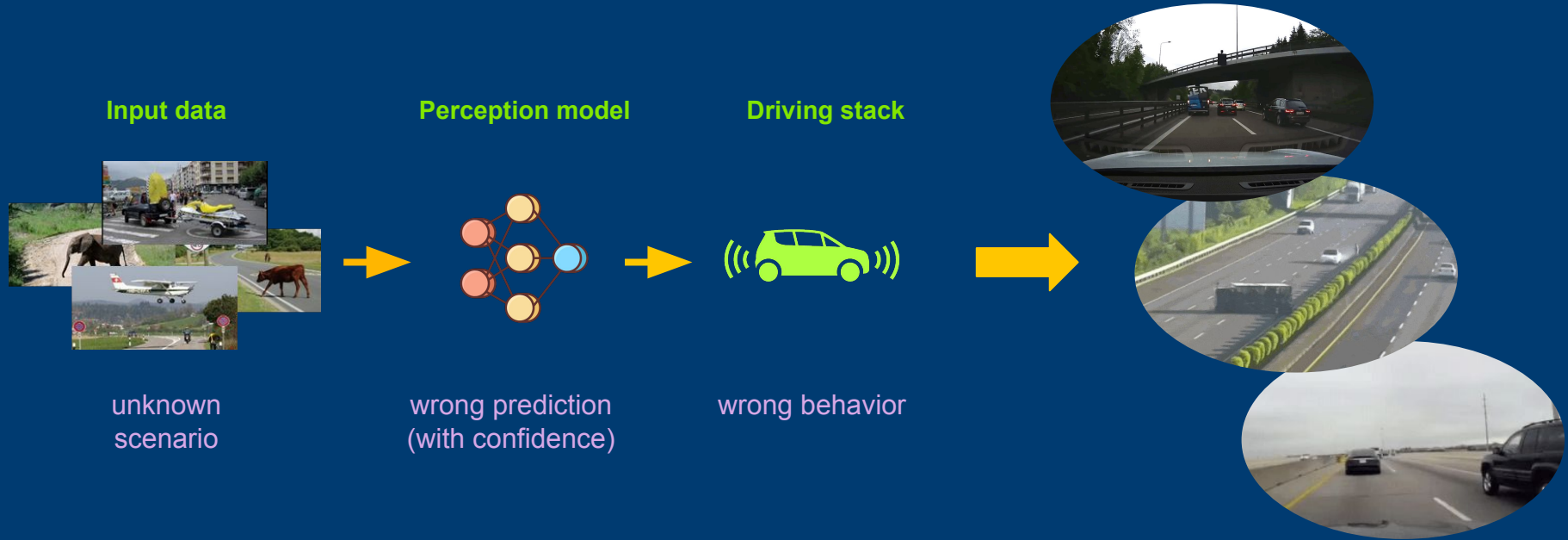
# Performance monitoring

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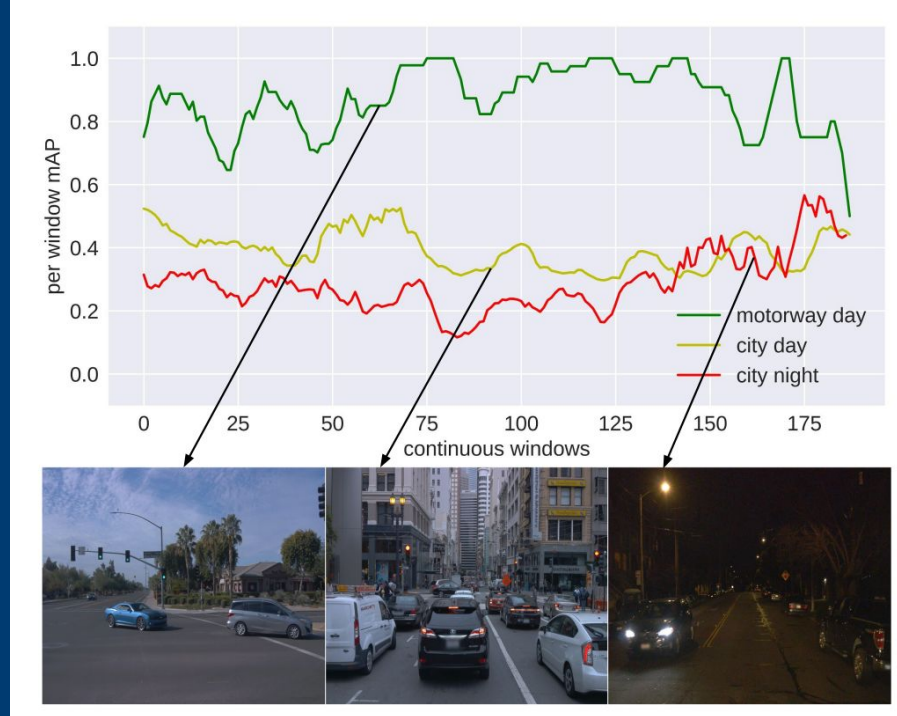
# Learning to identify complex situations

# Challenges of driving automation



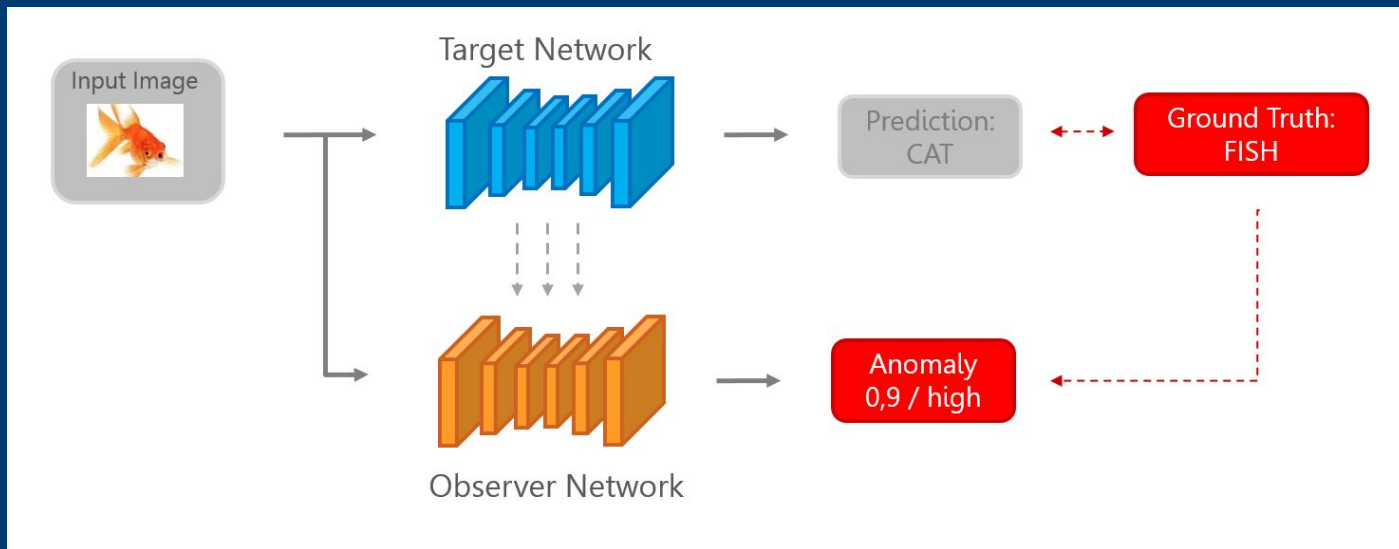
How to identify/prevent incorrect predictions that can cause system failures?

# Challenges of driving automation



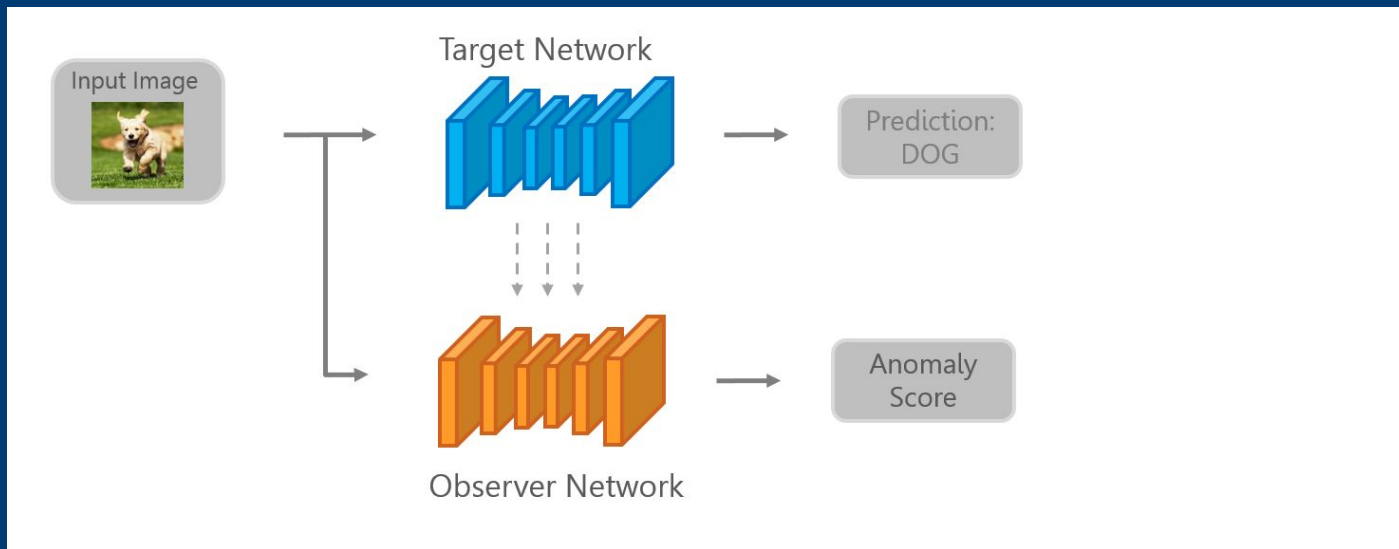
Performance can fluctuate depending on conditions and traditional engineered monitoring solutions cannot deal alone with the complexity of the world.

# Observer Networks



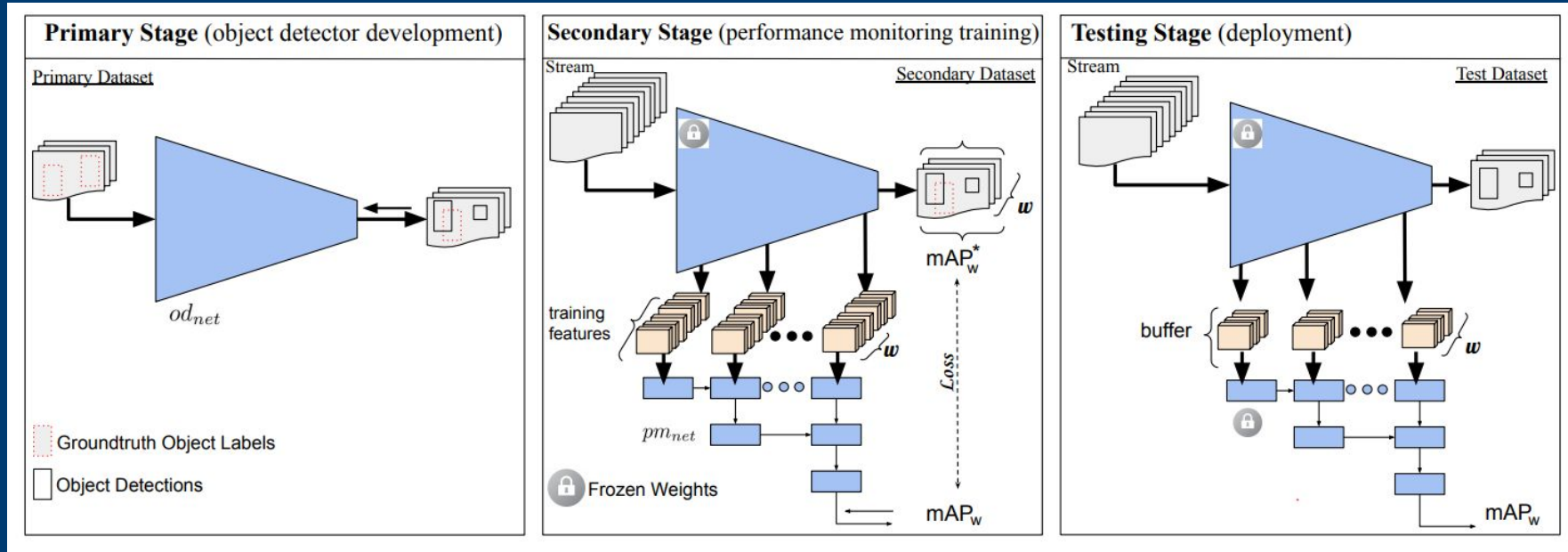
- **Target Network:** (pre-trained) neural network for a task of interest
- **Observer Network (ObsNet):** auxiliary network connected to Target Network
  - Can have access to **internal activations and predictions** of Target
  - Trained to **predict failures** of Target Network
  - Produces confidence/failure/anomaly score

# Observer Networks



- **Benefits:**
  - generic, fast, memory-efficient
- **Drawbacks:**
  - Needs a dedicated train set (Target Network makes few errors)
  - May not generalize to OOD data, not available at train time

# Observer Networks



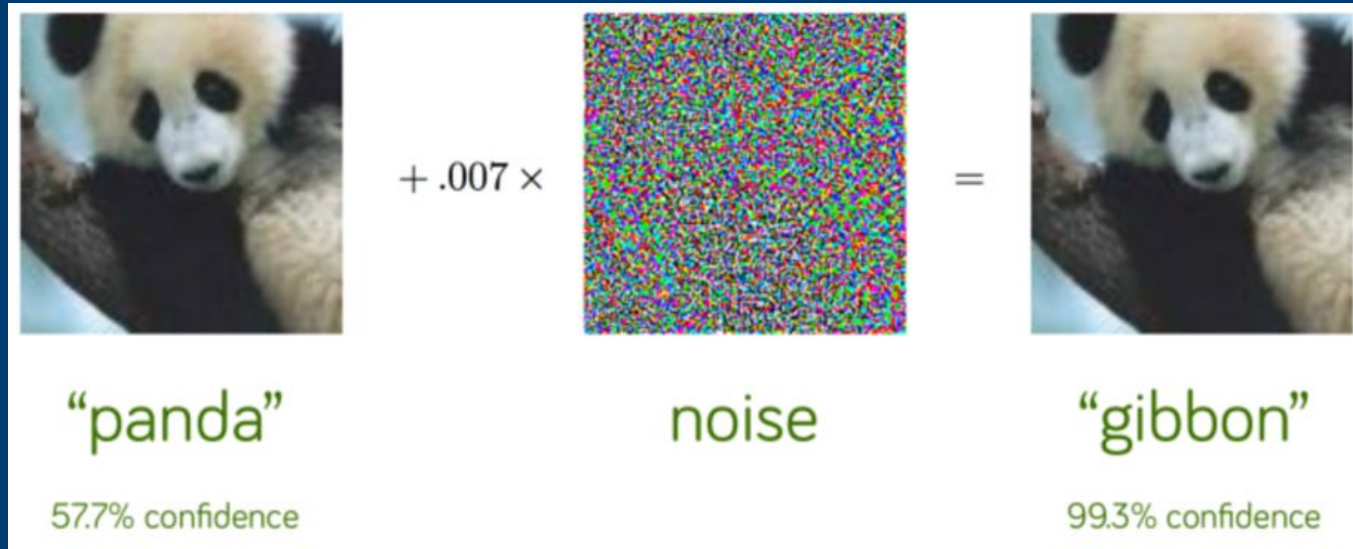
Earlier approaches leveraged temporal information to compile per sequence statistics and predict mAP



What if we make the Target fail and learn from that?

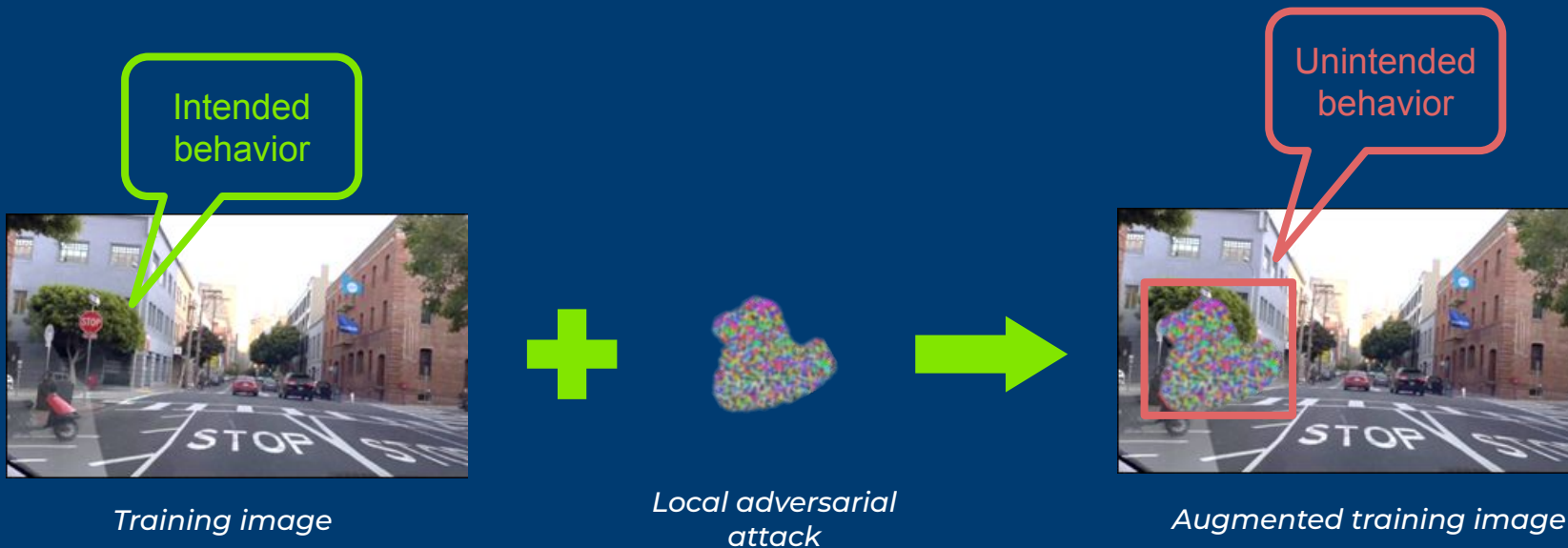


# Adversarial Attacks



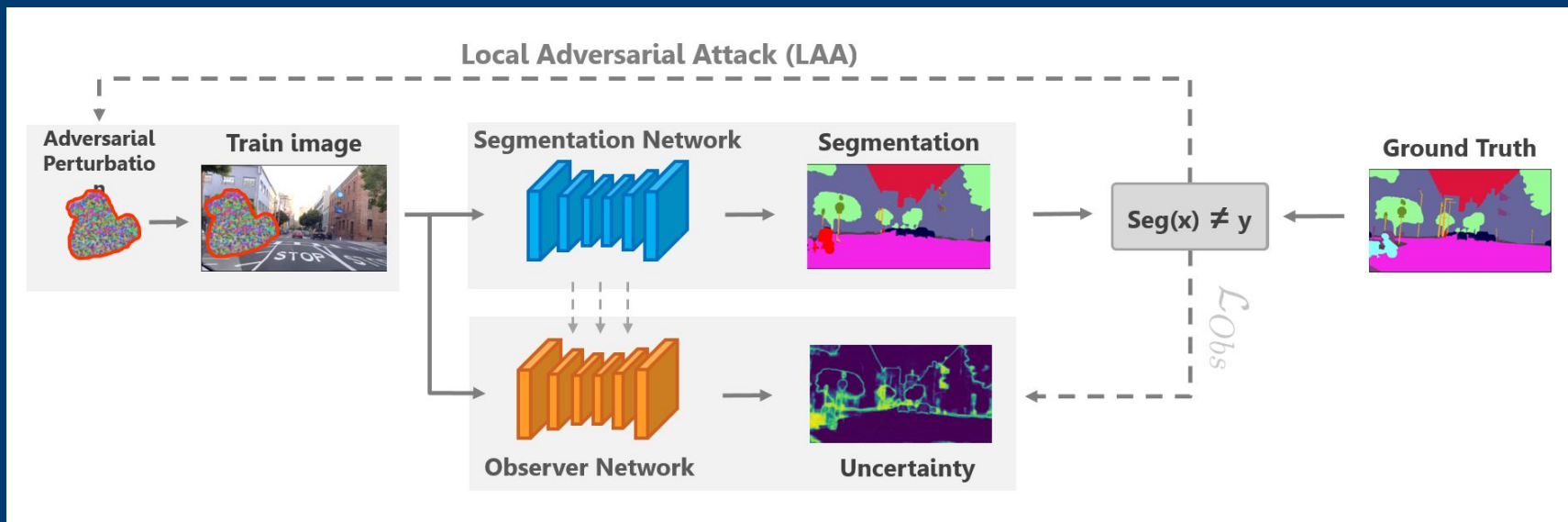
- Neural Networks can be fooled by perturbing the input image with constructed noise
- We use Adversarial Attacks in order to **trigger failures** of the target network

# Local Adversarial Attacks



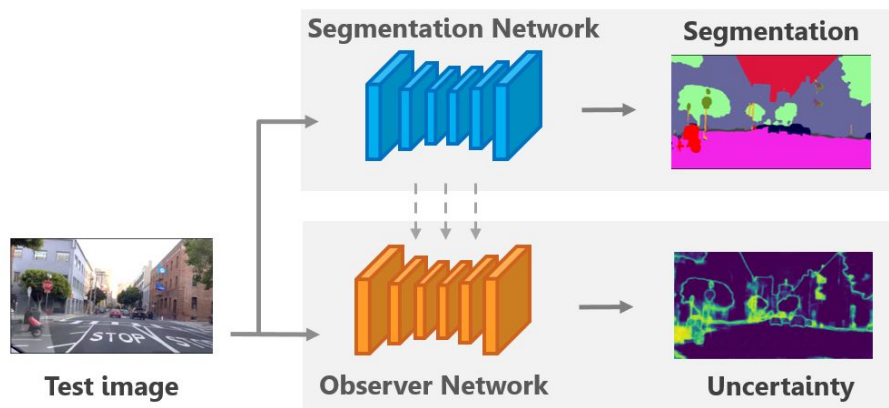
- Use Local Adversarial Attacks (LAA) to “hallucinate” new class
- Edit a part of the image to decrease the target prediction in this location
- Encapsulate attack in random shape as proxy for unknown objects

# ObsNet - training setup



- The Observer learns failure behavior patterns of Target under attacks

# ObsNet - at runtime



- Generate classification predictions from Target and uncertainty from Observer

# ObsNet Results

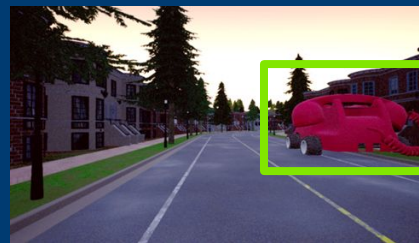
Method	Fpr95Tpr ↓	AuPR ↑	AuRoc ↑	ACE ↓
Softmax [HG17]	63.5	95.4	80.1	0.633
Void [BSN+19]	68.1	92.4	75.3	0.499
AE [HG17]	92.1	88.0	53.1	0.832
MCDA [AB18]	61.9	95.8	82.0	0.411
Temp. Scale [GPSW17]	61.8	95.8	81.9	<b>0.287</b>
ODIN [LSL18]	<u>60.6</u>	95.7	81.7	0.353
ConfidNet [CTBH+19]	61.6	95.9	81.9	0.367
Gauss P [MAG+20]	61.3	96.0	82.5	0.384
Deep Ensemble [LPB17]	<b>60.3</b>	<u>96.1</u>	82.3	0.375
MCDropout [GG16]	61.1	96.0	82.6	0.394
<b>ObsNet + LAA</b>	<b>60.3</b>	<b>96.2</b>	<b>82.8</b>	<u>0.345</u>

Method	Fpr95Tpr ↓	AuPR ↑	AuRoc ↑	ACE ↓
Softmax [HG17]	65.5	94.7	80.8	0.463
Void [BSN+19]	69.3	93.6	73.5	0.492
AE [HG17]	84.6	92.7	67.3	0.712
MCDA [AB18]	69.9	97.1	82.7	0.409
Temp. Scale [GPSW17]	65.3	94.9	81.6	<b>0.323</b>
ODIN [LSL18]	61.3	95.0	82.3	0.414
ConfidNet [CTBH+19]	60.1	98.1	90.3	0.399
Gauss P [MAG+20]	48.7	98.5	90.7	0.449
Deep Ensemble [LPB17]	51.7	98.3	88.9	0.437
MCDropout [GG16]	45.7	98.8	92.2	0.429
<b>ObsNet + LAA</b>	<b>44.7</b>	<b>98.9</b>	<b>92.7</b>	<u>0.383</u>

BDD Anomaly (OOD: train, motorcycle)

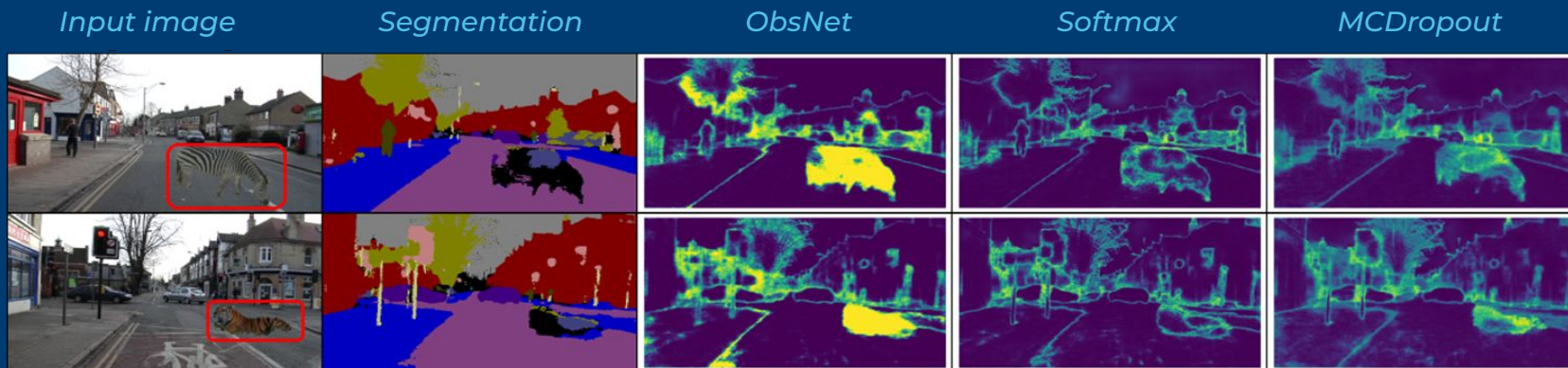


StreetHazards

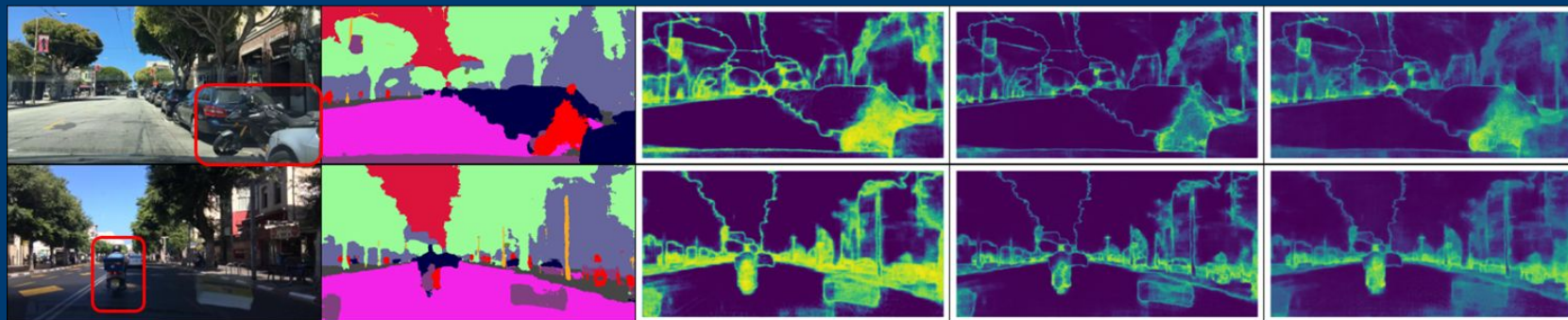




# ObsNet Quantitative Results



CamVid OOD

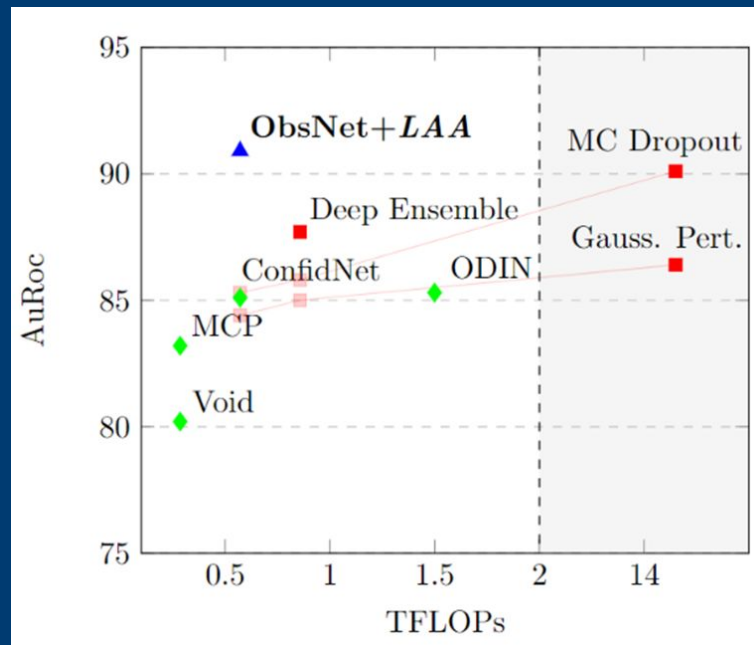


BDD Anomaly

# ObsNet

## Takeaways

- Leverage adversarial attacks to **find blind spots** in the Target Network
- Focus on localized regions to mimic unknown objects
- Can generate **infinite negative** examples
- **Cannot localize precisely** the anomalous object
- The predicted error is generic, **not easy to match a specific type of uncertainty**



*Precision vs test-time  
computational cost*

**The end.**