Interpreting Adversarial Trained Convolutional Neural Networks

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    - Biased towards textures
- Hypothesis: Adversarially trained CNNs could improve interpretability
    - Capture more semantic features: shapes.
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Normally Trained CNN

- Interpreting normally trained CNN: **texture bias**

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IMAGENET-TRAINED CNNS ARE BIASED TOWARDS TEXTURE; INCREASING SHAPE BIAS IMPROVES ACCURACY AND ROBUSTNESS

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(a) Texture image

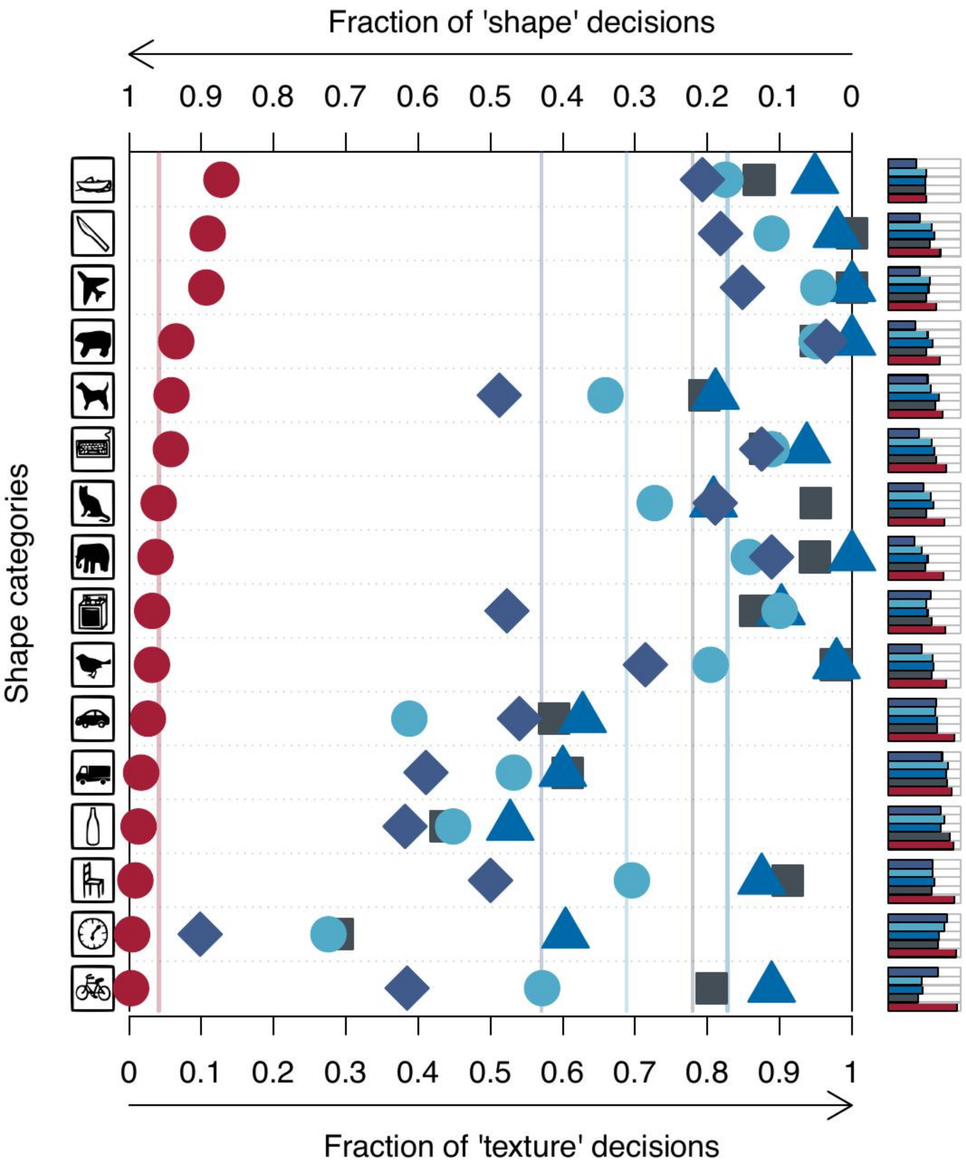
81.4%	**Indian elephant**
10.3%	indri
8.2%	black swan

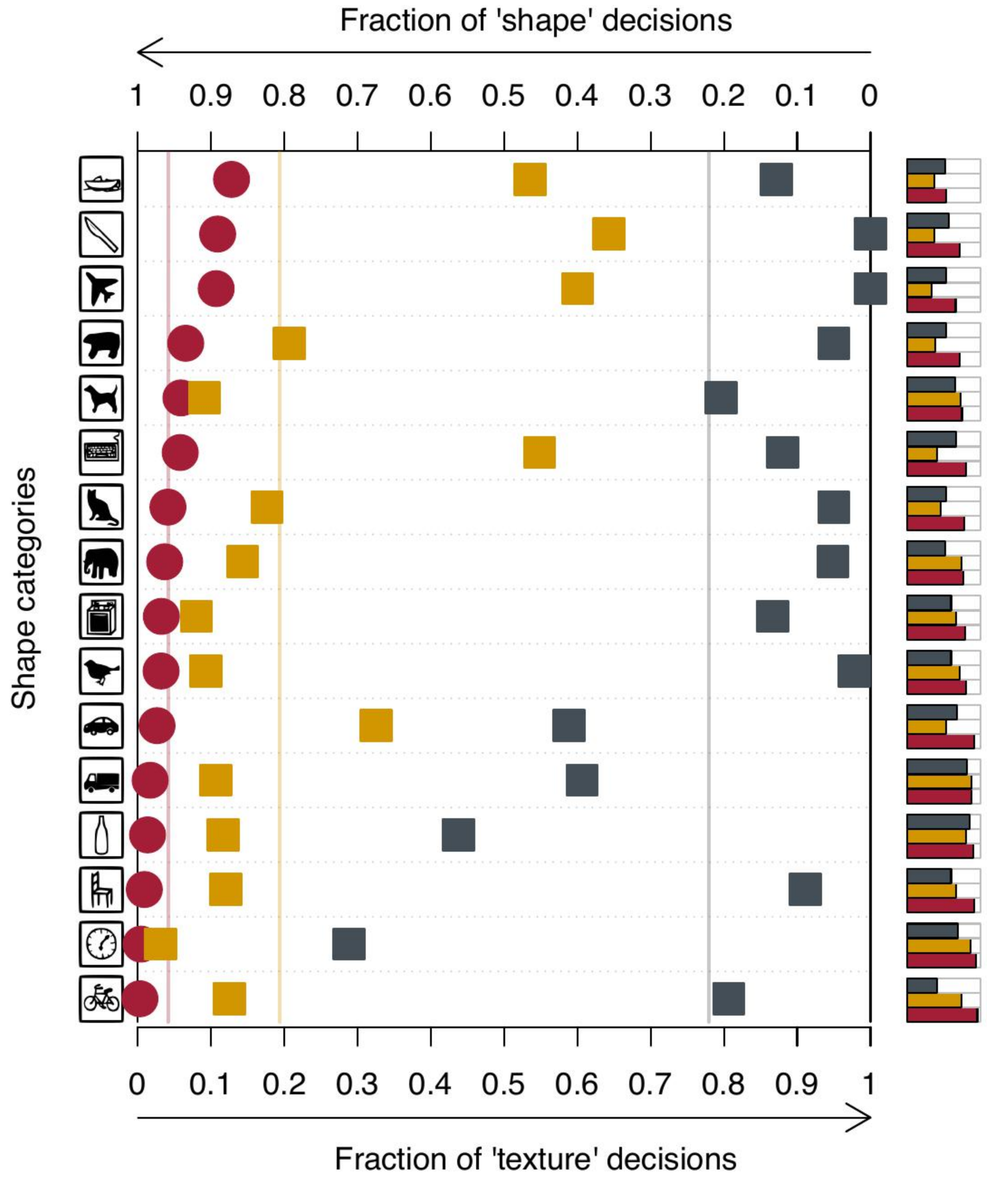
(b) Content image

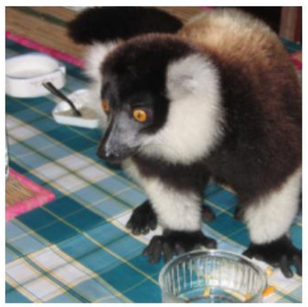
71.1%	**tabby cat**
17.3%	grey fox
3.3%	Siamese cat

(c) Texture-shape cue conflict

63.9%	**Indian elephant**
26.4%	indri
9.6%	black swan







Augmented Stylized-ImageNet could improve shape bias.

Are there any other models that could improve shape bias?

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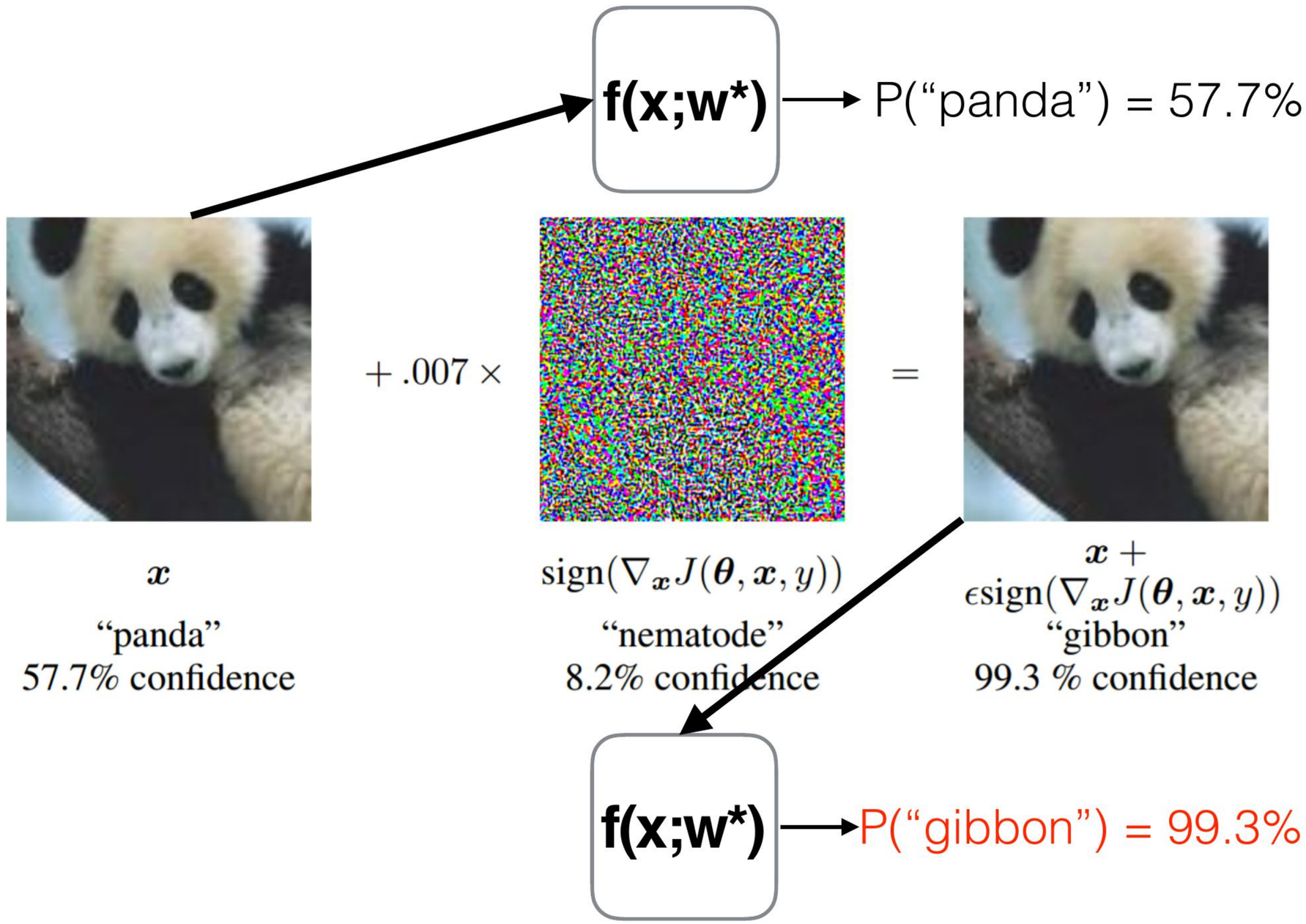
Adversarially trained CNNs!

Adversarial Examples

- Deep neural networks are easily fooled by adversarial examples. **Not robust!**



Adversarial Training

- Adversarial training for defensing adversarial examples:
  - A robust optimization problem

Projected Gradient Descent

$$\min_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{(x,y)\sim\mathcal{D}} \left[\max_{\delta \in S} \ell(f(x+\delta;\theta), y) \right] \longrightarrow \|\delta\| \leq \varepsilon$$

$$\min_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{(x,y)\sim\mathcal{D}} \left[\ell(f(x;\theta), y) \right] \longrightarrow \text{Standard training}$$

- Interpreting adversarially trained CNNs (**AT-CNNs**)
  - What have AT-CNNs learned to make them robust?
  - **Compared with standard CNNs, AT-CNNs tend to be more shape-biased.**

Two ways for interpreting AT-CNNs

- Qualitative method (Lots of people did this)
  - Visualizing sensitivity maps

Sensitivity Map

- **Grad:** input gradient

$$E = \frac{\partial S_c(x)}{\partial x} \qquad S_c(x) = \log p_c(x)$$

  - the gradient of the class score function w.r.t. input image

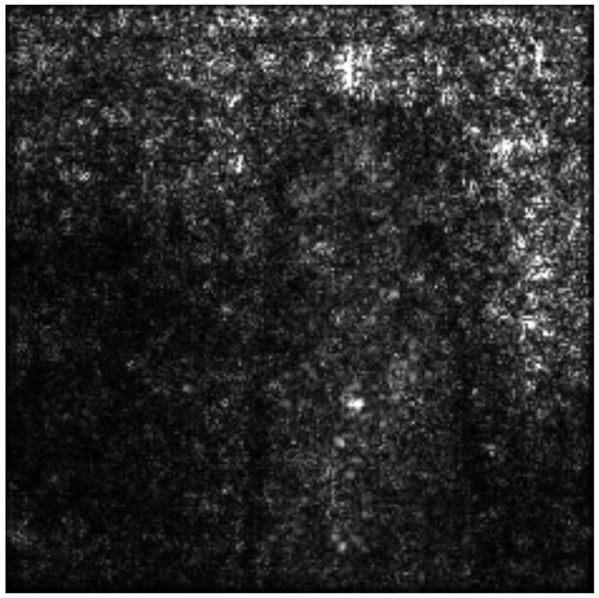
- **SmoothGrad**

$$E = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\partial S_c(x+g_i)}{\partial (x+g_i)}$$

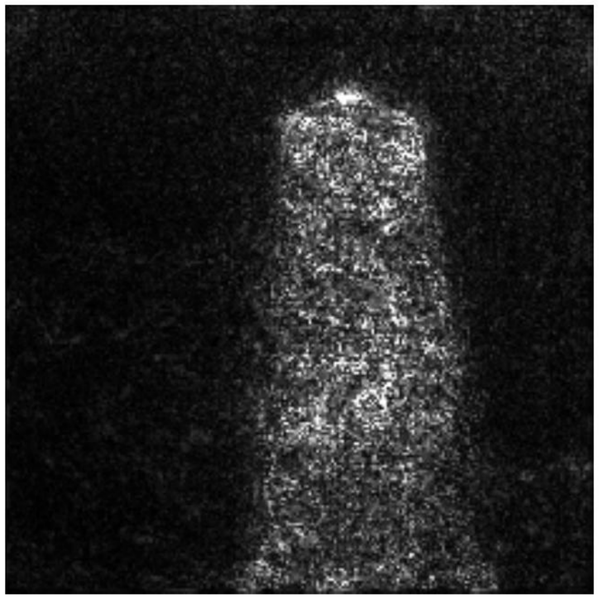
  - Removing the noise by averaging the noise

$$g_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

Input image



Grad

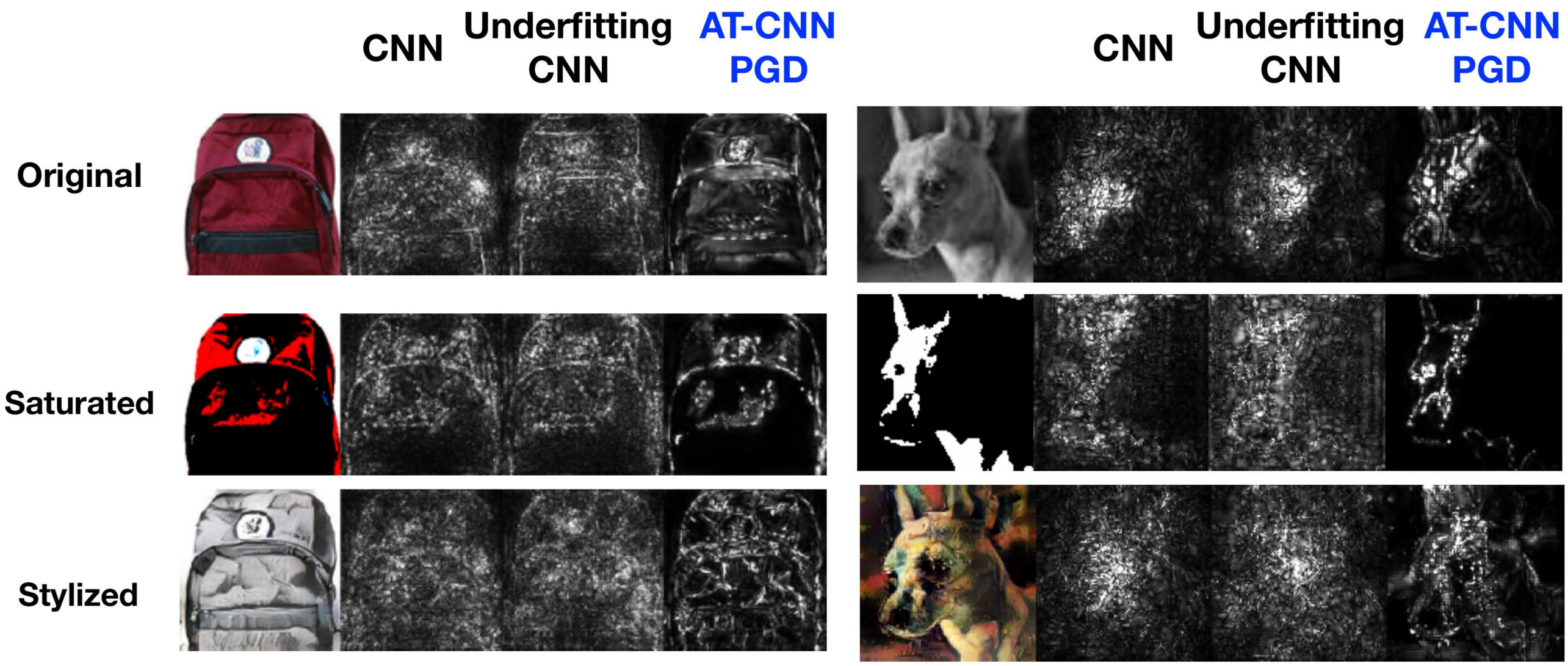


SmoothGrad

Smilkov et.al (2017) SmoothGrad: removing noise by adding noise

Sensitivity maps of AT-CNNs

SmoothGrad



Two ways for interpreting AT-CNNs

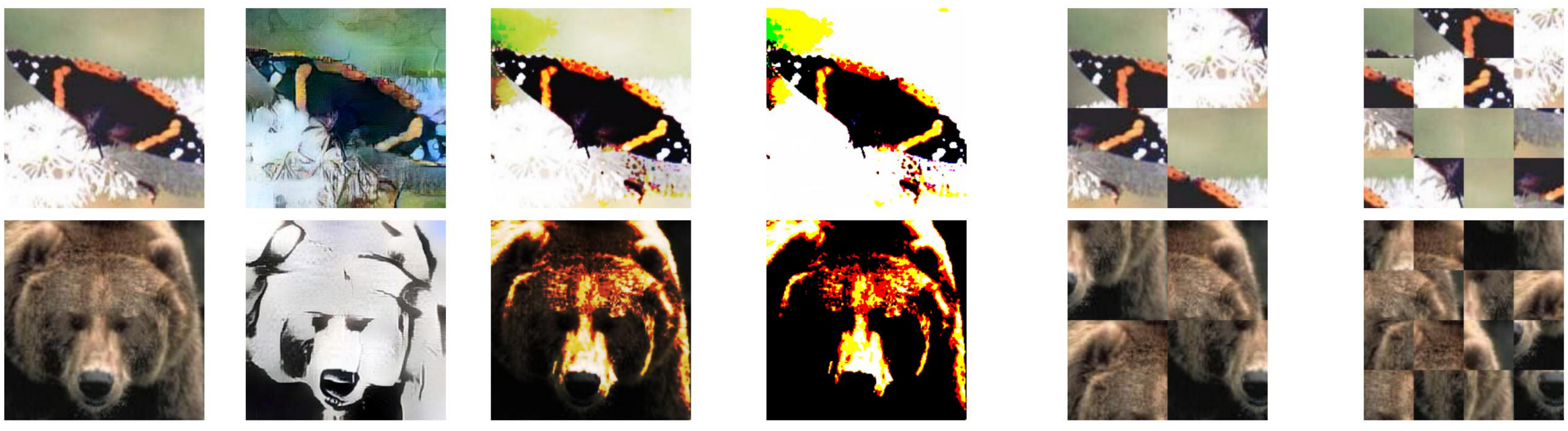
- Qualitative method
  - Visualizing sensitivity maps (Lots of people did this)
- **Quantitative method**
  - Evaluate the generalization performance on either **shape or texture preserved data sets**

Constructing Datasets

1. Stylizing: shape preserved, texture destroyed

2. Saturating: shape preserved, texture destroyed

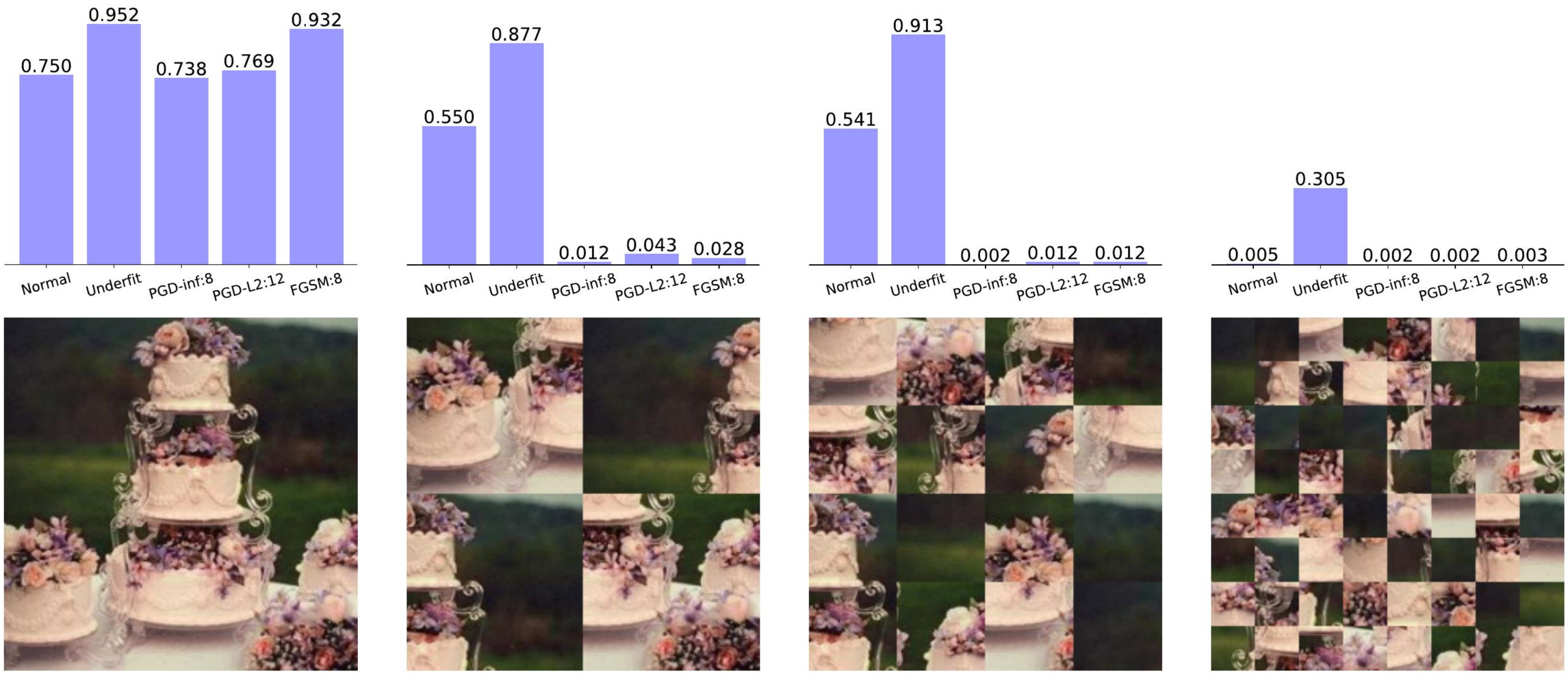
3. Patch-shuffling: shape destructed, texture preserved



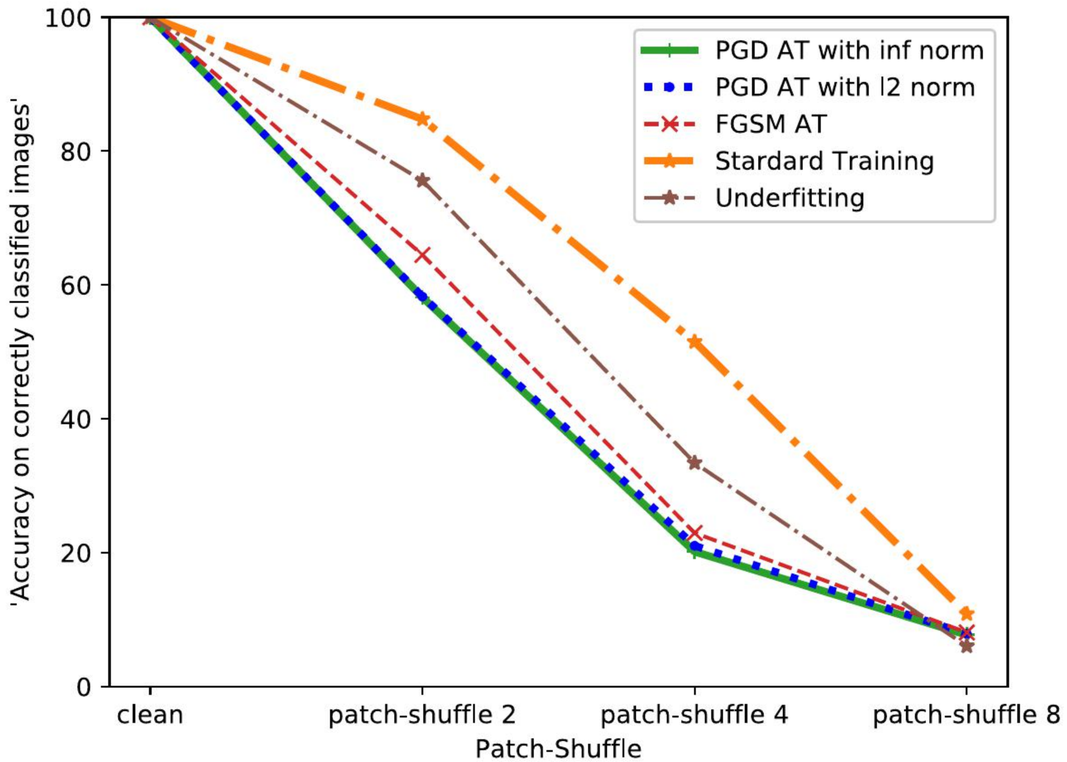
(a) Original (b) Stylized (c) Saturated 8 (d) Saturated 1024 (e) patch-shuffle 2 (f) patch-shuffle 4

Figure 1. Visualization of three transformations. Original images are from Caltech-256. From left to right, original, stylized, saturation level as 8, 1024, 2×2 patch-shuffling, 4×4 patch-shuffling.

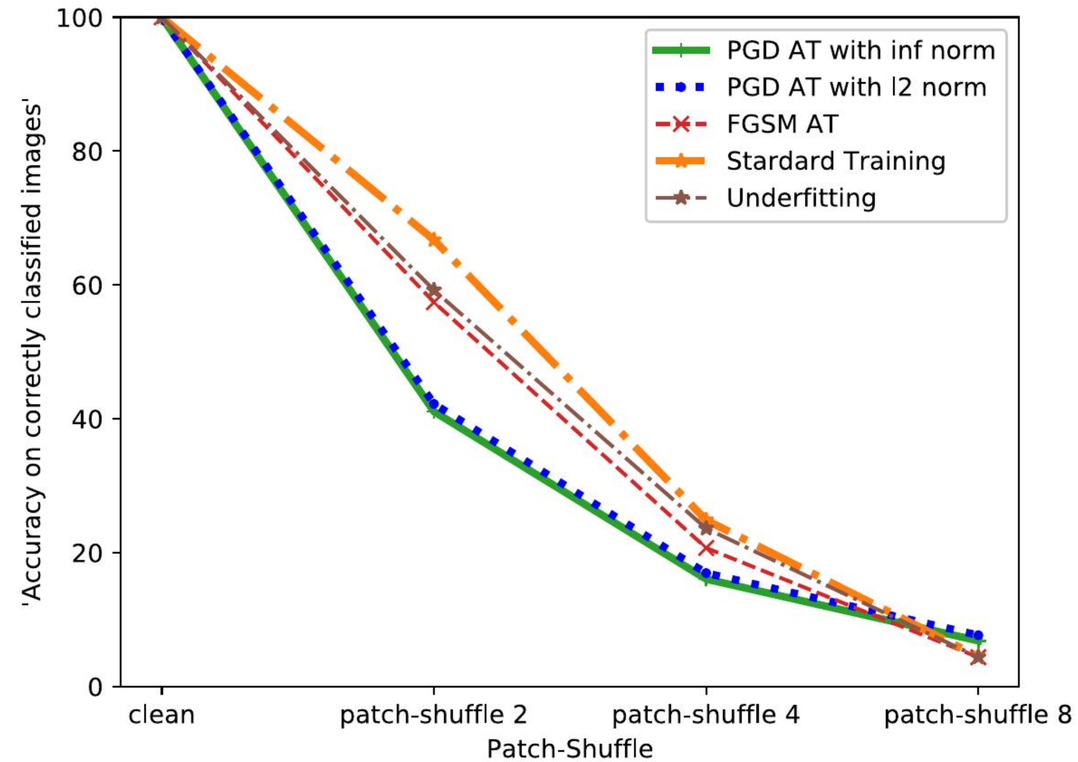
- **Patch-shuffled test data**



(a) Original Image (b) Patch-Shuffle 2 (c) Patch-Shuffle 4 (d) Patch-Shuffle 8

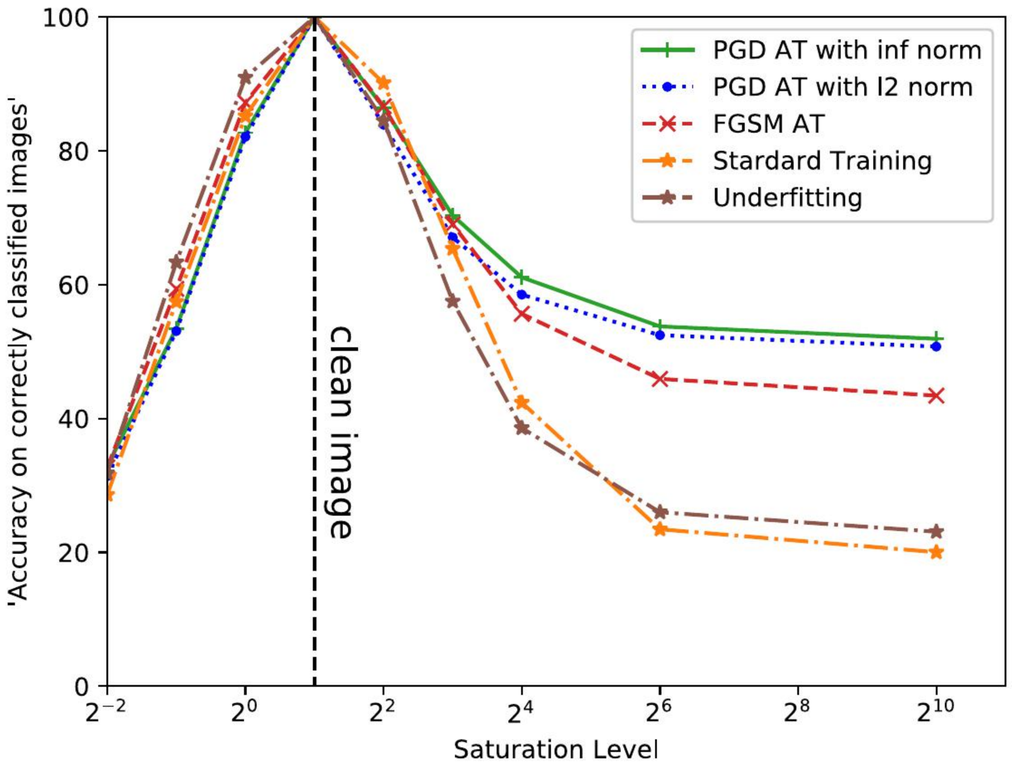


Caltech-256



Tiny-ImageNet

- **Saturated test data**



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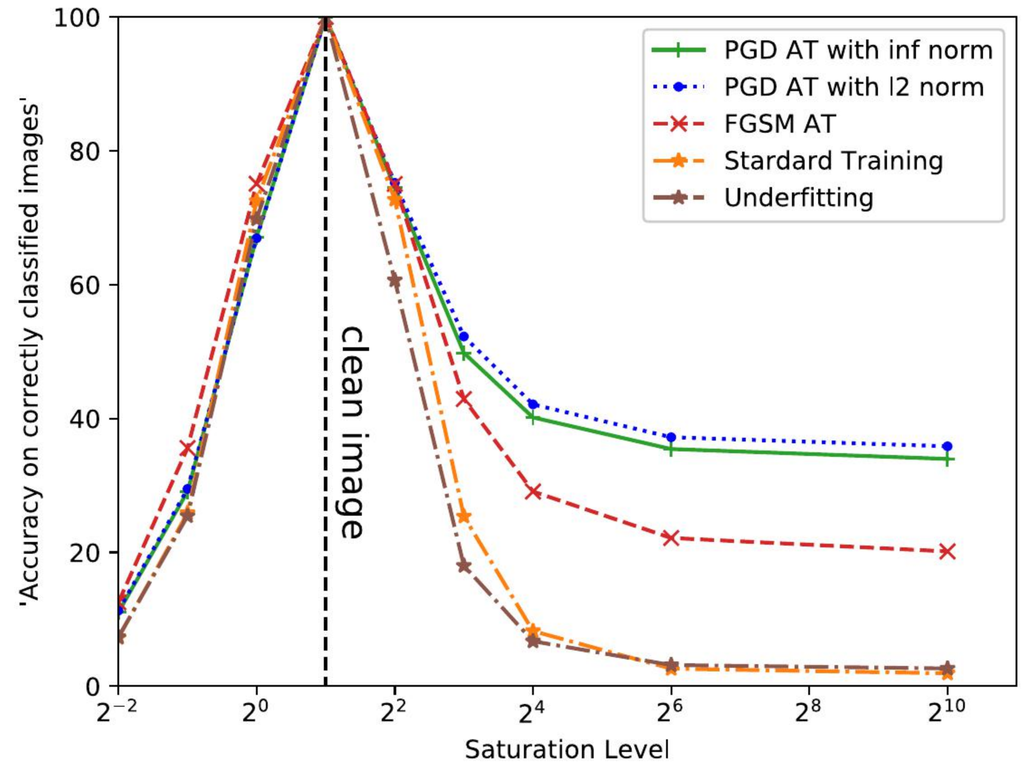
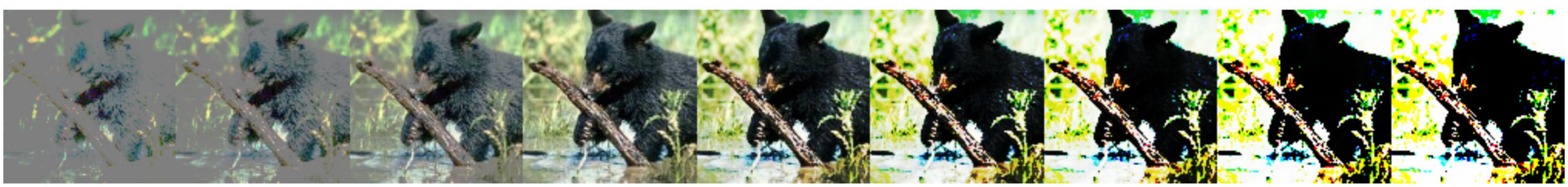


Tiny ImageNet



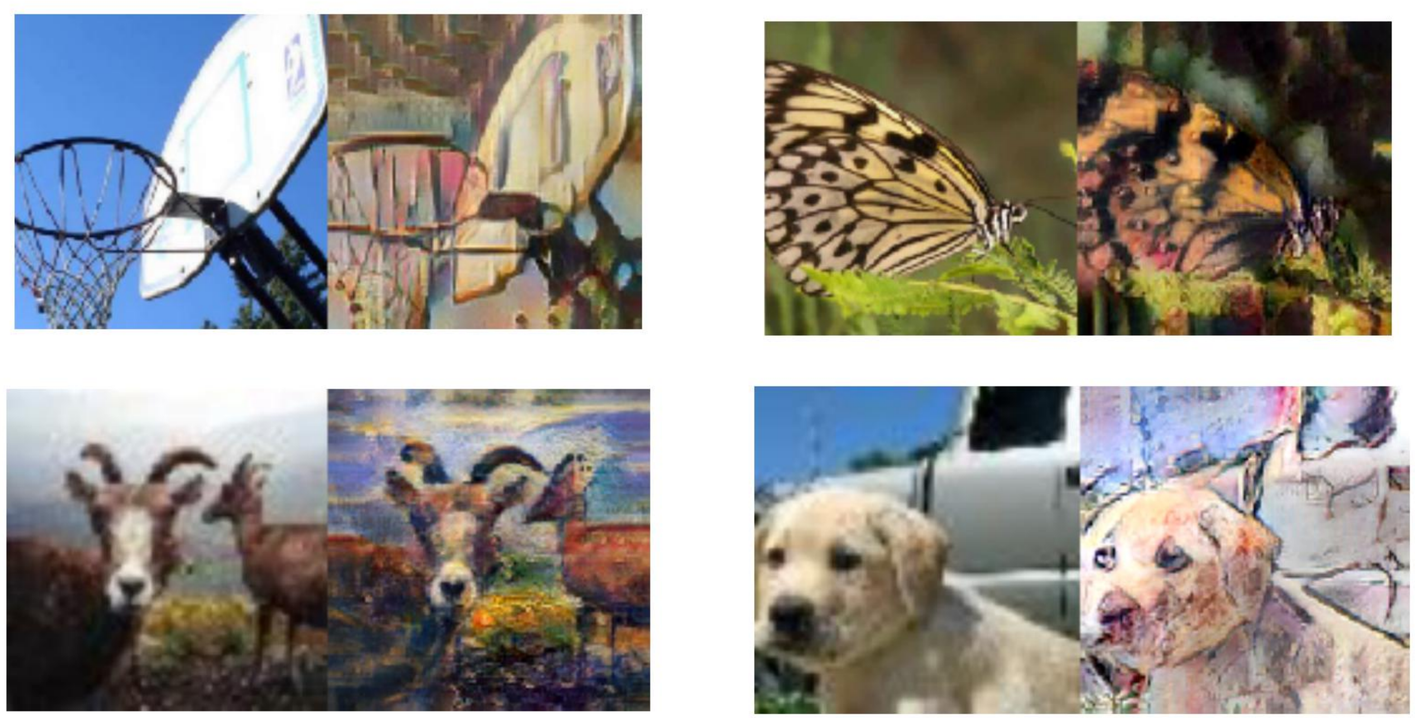
Loosing both texture and shape info. → Loosing texture and preserve shape info.

Generalization on Constructed Datasets

- **Stylized test data**

Accuracy on correctly classified images

DATASET	CAL-256	STYLIZED CAL-256	TINYINT	STYLIZED TINYIN
STANDARD	**83.32**	16.83	**72.02**	7.25
UNDERFIT	69.04	9.75	60.35	7.16
PGD-l_2: 4	74.12	**22.53**	64.24	**21.05**



Discussions

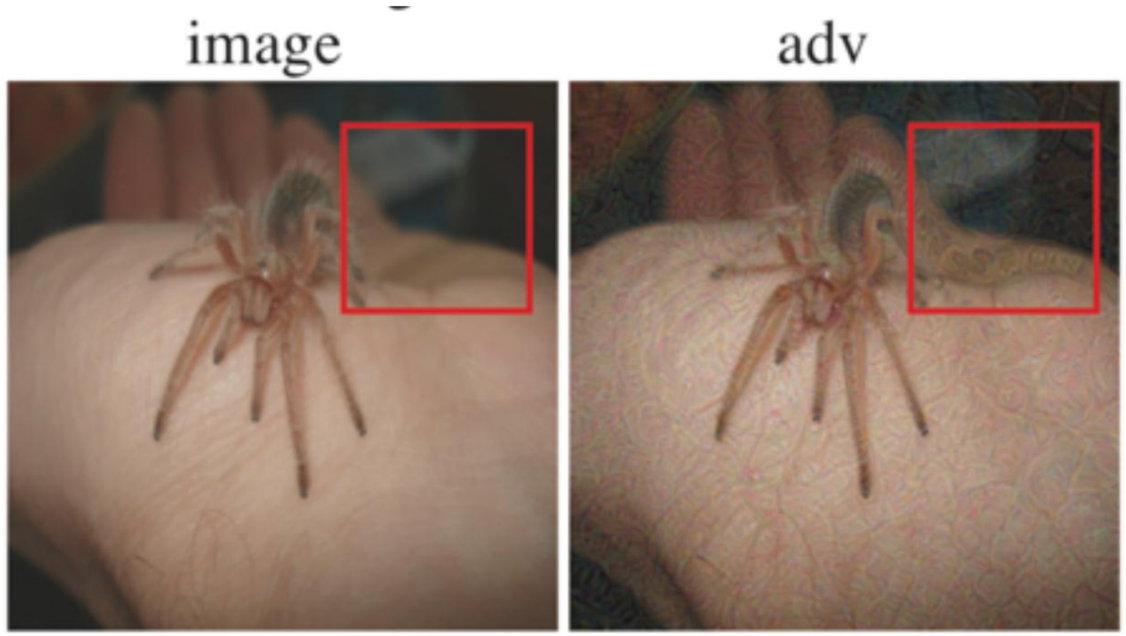
- Interpreting adversarially trained CNNs
  - Adversarial training helps capturing global structures, a more shape-based representation
  - We provide both qualitative and quantitive ways for model interpretation.

Discussions

- Insights for defensing adversarial examples
  - Whether models better capturing long-range representation tend to be more robust (e.g, non-local, Xie, et al 2018) ?
- Interpreting AT-CNNs based on other types of adversarial attacks
  - Spatially transformed adv. examples (Xiao et.al 2018)
  - GAN-based adv. examples (Song et.al 2018)

Why?

- PGD attack often change local features



- Adversarial training acts like data augmentation, which can effectively increase invariance against corruptions of local features

Thanks!

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