

Interpretability is a Kind of Safety: An Interpreter-based Ensemble for Adversary Defense



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1. Background: Adversarial Attack



panda

$$+ .007 \times \text{noise} = \text{perturbed image}$$



gibbon

Adversarial example: a modified image input that is intentionally perturbed. It is hard to distinguish by humans but can fool deep neural networks easily.



dog

$$+ .007 \times \text{noise} = \text{perturbed image}$$



cat

Financial, medical or even military applications need highly **safe and robust** models



aircraft

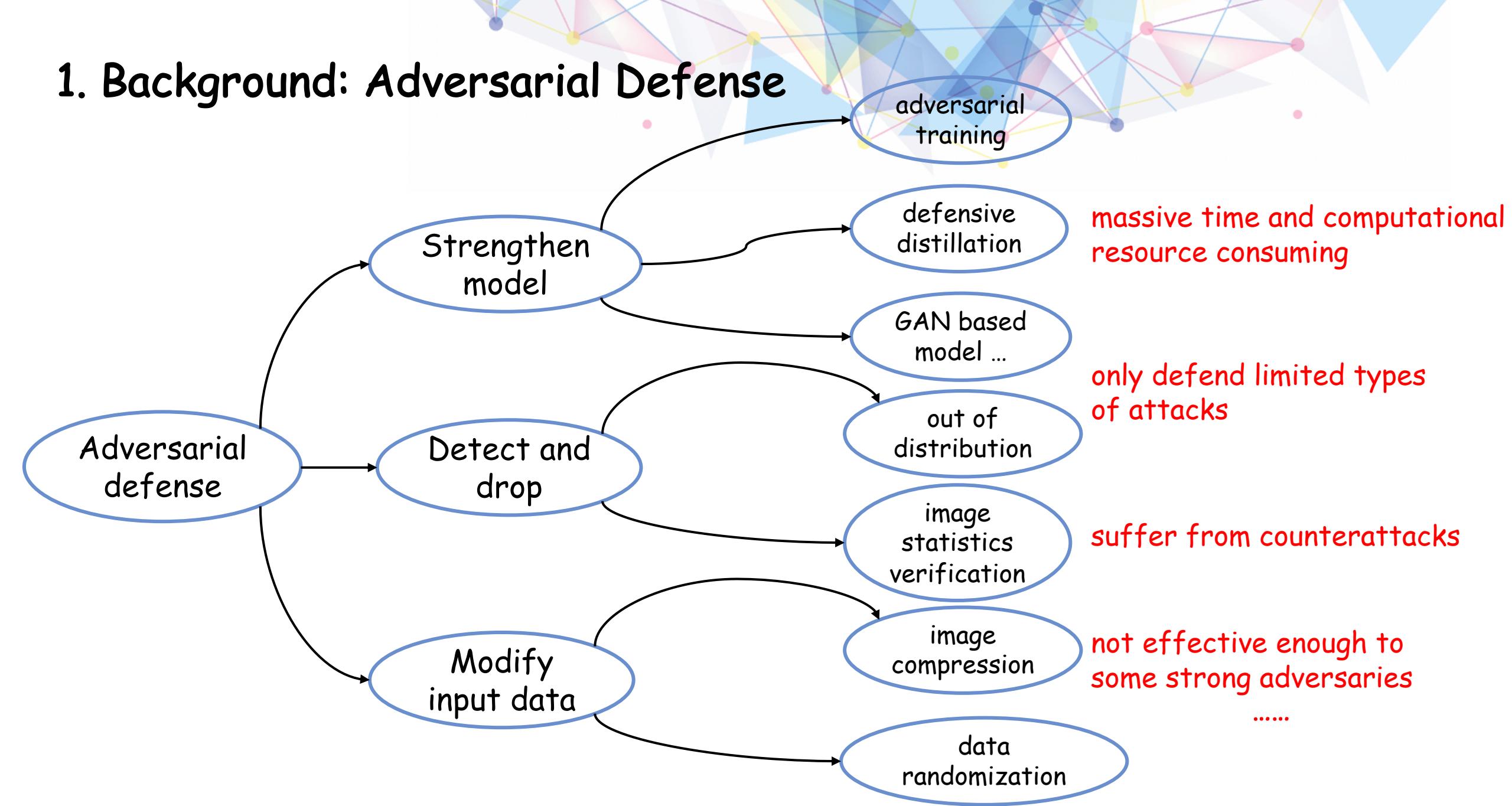
$$+ .007 \times \text{noise} = \text{perturbed image}$$



truck

Therefore, strengthening neural network models to defend adversarial attacks is an important task

1. Background: Adversarial Defense



1. Background: Challenge

The first challenge is to explore the intrinsic mechanism of adversarial attacks to **enhance the defense ability** of deep learning methods;

The second challenge is to defense **hybrid** adversarial attacks that might include various types of attacks or even **unknown** types;

The third challenge is to **protect the defender itself** from adversarial attacks.

1. Background: Detector Motivation

Adversarial attacks optimize ,

$$\arg \min_{\mathbf{X}^{(a)}} \mathcal{L}\left(F\left(\mathbf{X}^{(a)}\right), l^{(a)}\right)$$

$$s.t. \text{Dist}\left(\mathbf{X}^{(a)}, \mathbf{X}^{\circ}\right) < \epsilon$$

In each iteration and for
each pixel ,

$$x_{ij}^{(\tau+1)} := \Gamma_{D_\epsilon(X^\circ)} \left(x_{ij}^{(\tau)} - \alpha \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}\left(F\left(\mathbf{X}^{(\tau)}\right), l^{(a)}\right)}{\partial x_{ij}^{(\tau)}} \right)$$

$$x_{ij}^{(\tau)} - \alpha \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial F_{l^{(a)}}\left(x_{ij}^{(\tau)}\right)} \cdot g_{ijl^{(a)}}$$

gradient information



interpreting method

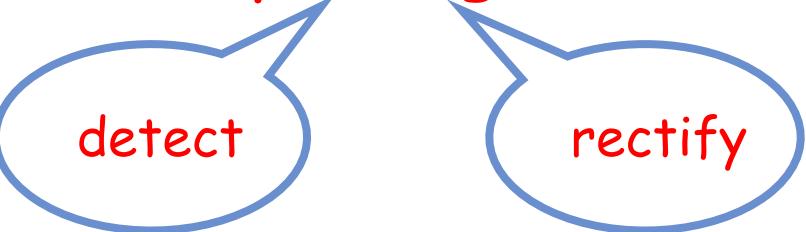
1. Background: Rectifier Motivation

If we erase those pixels with higher $|g_{ijl}^{(a)}|$,
the attack success rate drops significantly.

Erased Rate	Deepfool	CW	DDN
top 0%	1.000	1.000	1.000
top 5%	0.637	0.665	0.656

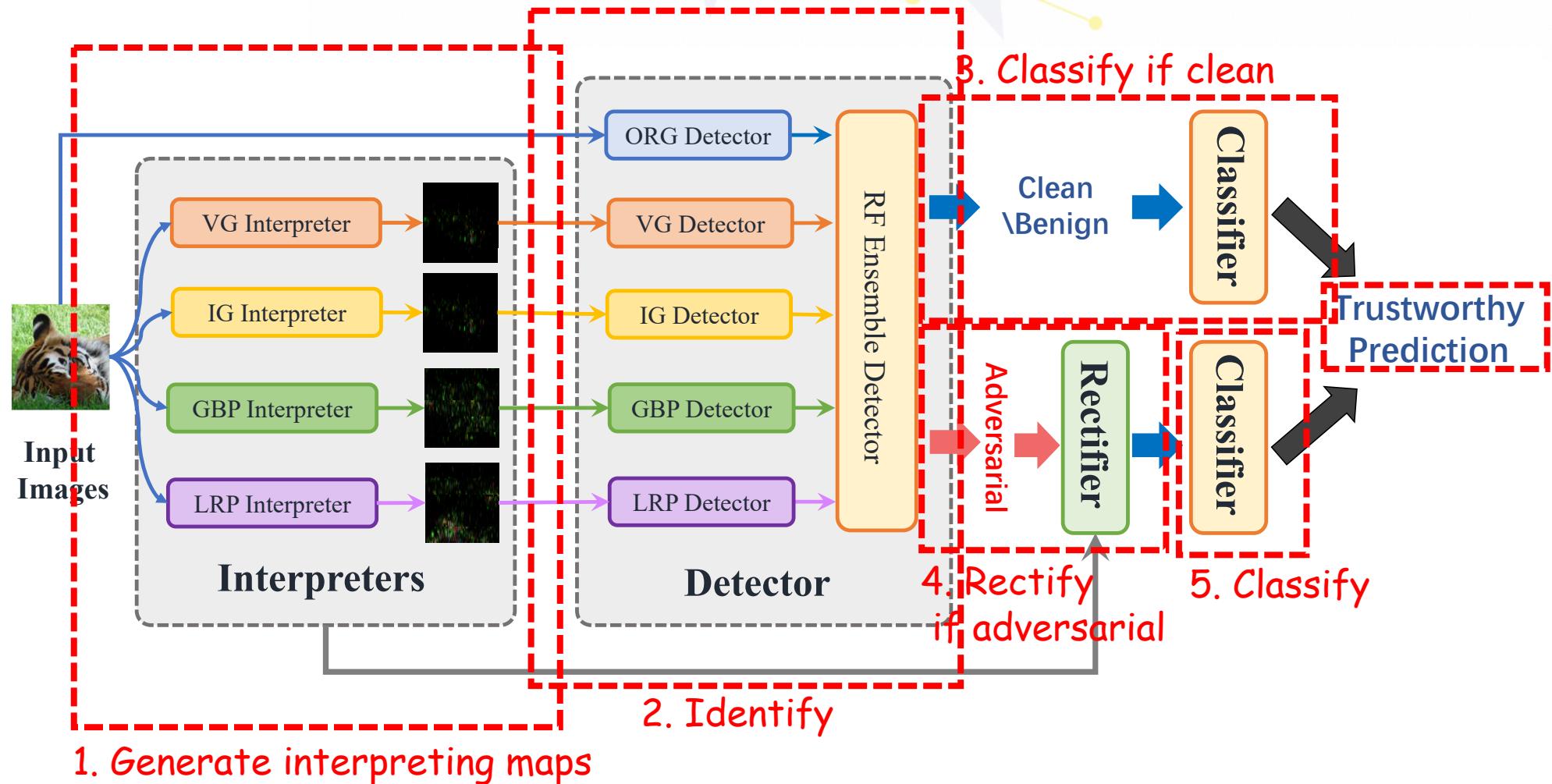
interpreting method

detect

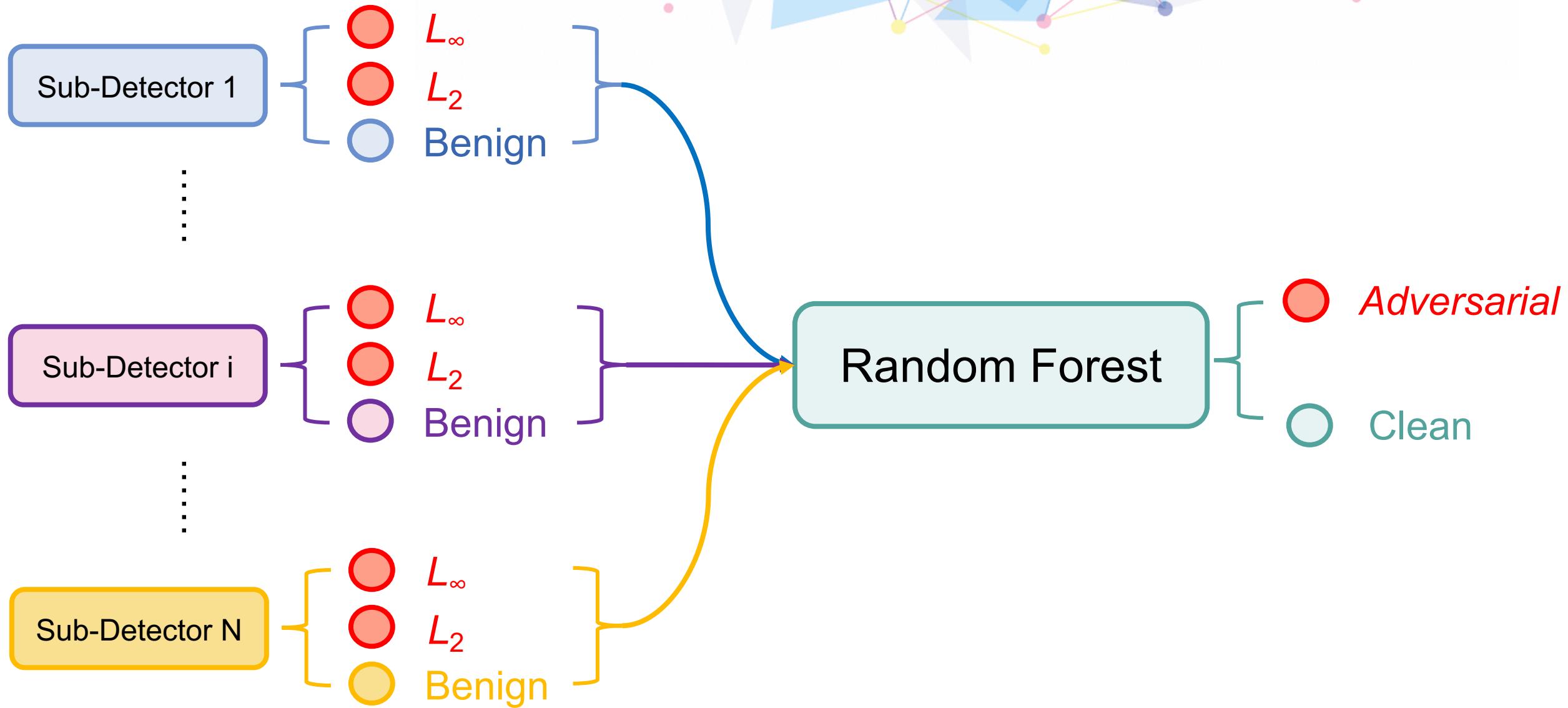


the first challenge

2. Our Framework : X-Ensemble



2. Details on our Ensemble Detector: X-Det



2. Details on our Rectifier

Algorithm 1 Rectified Image For Tuning Rectifier

Variables: $\{D_1, \dots, D_j\}$ are the sub-detectors that predict an input image x as an adversarial one, $\{R_1, \dots, R_j\}$ are the interpreting methods corresponding to $\{D_1, \dots, D_j\}$ respectively, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ is a threshold parameter, $rand()$ returns a random value in $[0, 1]$, and σ is the variance of pixel values in x .

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for  $k = 1$  to  $j$  do
     $E_k \leftarrow Entropy(D_k(x))$ 
end for
 $R \leftarrow R_i$  where  $i = argmin(E_1, \dots, E_j)$ 
 $g \leftarrow R(x)$ 
 $thres \leftarrow \alpha * (\max(g) - \min(g)) + \min(g)$ 
for pixel  $(i, j)$  in  $x$  do
    if  $g_{i,j} > thres$  and  $rand() > 0.5$  then
         $x_{i,j} \leftarrow x_{i,j} + Normal(0, \sigma)$ 
    end if
end for
return  $x$ 
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3. Experiment : Setting

Dataset: Fashion-MNIST, CIFAR-10, ImageNet

Attack method: FGSM^[1], PGD^[2], Deepfool^[3], C&W^[4], DDN^[5], OnePixel^[6]

Interpreting method: VG, GBP^[8], IG^[9], LRP^[10]

Baseline: PD^[11], TWS^[12], MDS^[13] for detection,
Adversarial training^[7], PD^[11], TVM^[14] for whole pipeline

3. Experiment Results: Detection

Our RF ensemble detector

Grey-Box																		
Attackers	Fashion-MNIST									CIFAR10								
	X-Det	PD	TWS	MDS	VG	IG	GBP	LRP	ORG	X-Det	PD	TWS	MDS	VG	IG	GBP	LRP	ORG
FGSM-U	1.00	1.00	0.63	0.71	0.97	0.99	1.00	0.99	1.00	1.00	0.98	0.52	0.83	0.88	0.86	0.98	0.99	1.00
PGD-U	1.00	1.00	0.65	0.79	0.98	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	0.99	0.99	0.52	0.76	0.99	0.95	0.96	0.97	0.98
PGD-T	1.00	1.00	0.83	0.80	0.97	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	0.98	0.96	0.48	0.71	0.93	0.90	0.95	0.98	1.00
DFool-U	0.99	0.98	0.99	0.77	0.95	0.99	1.00	0.94	0.99	0.98	0.77	0.83	0.93	0.89	0.90	0.99	0.92	0.83
CW-U	0.98	0.93	0.95	0.79	0.94	0.98	1.00	0.98	0.96	0.98	0.78	0.90	0.93	0.90	0.89	0.99	0.92	0.86
CW-T	1.00	0.98	0.99	0.83	0.97	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	0.84	0.94	0.94	0.93	0.93	0.99	0.96	0.95
DDN-U	0.99	0.98	0.80	0.79	0.96	0.99	0.99	1.00	0.99	0.99	0.70	0.91	0.93	0.91	0.90	0.92	0.99	0.90
DDN-T	1.00	0.99	1.00	0.85	1.00	0.90	0.98	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.81	0.96	0.94	0.99	0.93	0.95	0.99	0.97
Black-Box																		
Attackers	Fashion-MNIST									CIFAR10								
	X-Det	PD	TWS	MDS	VG	IG	GBP	LRP	ORG	X-Det	PD	TWS	MDS	VG	IG	GBP	LRP	ORG
FGSM-U	1.00	0.99	0.76	0.54	1.00	0.98	0.99	1.00	1.00	0.98	0.99	0.66	0.93	0.88	0.92	0.99	0.99	1.00
PGD-U	1.00	0.99	0.77	0.53	1.00	0.98	0.99	1.00	1.00	0.97	0.98	0.57	0.59	0.76	0.80	0.91	0.98	1.00
PGD-T	1.00	0.99	0.78	0.55	1.00	0.97	0.99	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.99	0.72	0.59	0.78	0.83	0.92	0.96	1.00
DFool-U	0.94	0.93	0.81	0.52	0.85	0.94	0.98	0.91	0.95	0.79	0.74	0.75	0.54	0.70	0.80	0.80	0.80	0.60
CW-U	0.91	0.87	0.81	0.53	0.83	0.91	0.99	0.90	0.86	0.82	0.75	0.75	0.53	0.71	0.82	0.80	0.81	0.70
CW-T	0.97	0.96	0.80	0.52	0.91	0.99	0.98	0.95	0.98	0.82	0.77	0.76	0.53	0.80	0.82	0.82	0.82	0.77
DDN-U	0.88	0.86	0.80	0.52	0.82	0.95	0.94	0.91	0.93	0.80	0.63	0.76	0.54	0.71	0.80	0.81	0.80	0.76
DDN-T	0.98	0.96	0.79	0.54	0.92	0.97	0.99	0.96	0.99	0.82	0.72	0.76	0.54	0.71	0.80	0.82	0.82	0.89

Components of our ensemble detector

Tab 2. AUC score of adversarial example detection for vaccinated training

*Table index follows the paper order

3. Experiment Results: Detection

Grey-Box									
Attacker	Fashion-MNIST				CIFAR-10				
	X-Det	PD	l_{∞} -D	l_2 -D	X-Det	PD	l_{∞} -D	l_2 -D	
PGD-U	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.90	1.00	0.99	1.00	0.39	
PGD-T	1.00	1.00	0.99	0.91	1.00	0.99	1.00	0.50	
CW-U	0.95	0.93	0.73	0.97	0.98	0.78	0.49	0.97	
CW-T	0.98	0.98	0.84	0.99	0.99	0.84	0.49	0.98	
DDN-U	0.99	0.98	0.80	1.00	0.99	0.70	0.49	0.98	
DDN-T	1.00	1.00	0.93	1.00	0.99	0.81	0.49	0.98	
OnePixel	0.82	0.61	0.59	0.75	0.83	0.81	0.51	0.77	

Black-Box									
Attacker	Fashion-MNIST				CIFAR-10				
	X-Det	PD	l_{∞} -D	l_2 -D	X-Det	PD	l_{∞} -D	l_2 -D	
PGD-U	0.99	0.99	0.98	0.91	0.99	0.99	1.00	0.70	
PGD-T	0.99	0.99	0.98	0.92	0.99	0.99	1.00	0.78	
CW-U	0.87	0.85	0.51	0.73	0.80	0.75	0.48	0.77	
CW-T	0.97	0.93	0.78	0.88	0.80	0.77	0.49	0.76	
DDN-U	0.85	0.88	0.53	0.83	0.80	0.63	0.49	0.75	
DDN-T	0.95	0.98	0.84	0.90	0.82	0.72	0.48	0.77	
OnePixel	0.73	0.71	0.57	0.69	0.72	0.70	0.51	0.69	

Our ensemble detector

Tab 3. AUC score of adversarial example detection for unvaccinated training

*OnePixel is L_0 attack, while our detectors are trained for L_2 and L_{∞} .

3. Experiment Results: Whole Pipeline

	Grey-Box																	
	Fashion-MNIST						CIFAR-10						ImageNet					
	Our	PD	DDN _a	PGD _a	TVM	F	Our	PD	DDN _a	PGD _a	TVM	F	Our	PD	DDN _a	PGD _a	TVM	F
Clean	0.90	0.90	0.86	0.84	0.67	0.92	0.82	0.79	0.75	0.64	0.35	0.86	0.89	0.66	0.78	0.72	0.75	0.95
FGSM-U	0.84	0.75	0.82	0.82	0.49	0.56	0.55	0.36	0.48	0.43	0.29	0.24	0.60	0.47	0.49	0.47	0.36	0.44
PGD-U	0.79	0.64	0.80	0.81	0.57	0.27	0.41	0.30	0.37	0.35	0.32	0.08	0.75	0.70	0.38	0.47	0.66	0.02
PGD-T	0.89	0.86	0.84	0.87	0.53	0.66	0.62	0.60	0.33	0.48	0.32	0.05	0.73	0.66	0.29	0.51	0.70	0.00
Dfool-U	0.87	0.88	0.26	0.76	0.65	0.00	0.71	0.68	0.19	0.29	0.34	0.00	0.75	0.58	0.37	0.35	0.71	0.01
CW-U	0.86	0.88	0.70	0.73	0.66	0.00	0.74	0.73	0.70	0.63	0.34	0.00	0.74	0.64	0.50	0.53	0.71	0.00
CW-T	0.86	0.85	0.72	0.53	0.65	0.00	0.74	0.75	0.45	0.46	0.33	0.00	0.79	0.61	0.40	0.39	0.75	0.00
DDN-U	0.90	0.89	0.74	0.76	0.66	0.00	0.69	0.74	0.66	0.52	0.34	0.00	0.76	0.60	0.56	0.44	0.75	0.03
DDN-T	0.90	0.89	0.59	0.64	0.65	0.00	0.71	0.75	0.53	0.43	0.34	0.00	0.79	0.60	0.50	0.39	0.74	0.00
	Black-Box																	
	Fashion-MNIST						CIFAR-10						ImageNet					
	Our	PD	DDN _a	PGD _a	TVM	F	Our	PD	DDN _a	PGD _a	TVM	F	Our	PD	DDN _a	PGD _a	TVM	F
Clean	0.90	0.90	0.86	0.84	0.67	0.92	0.82	0.79	0.75	0.64	0.35	0.86	0.89	0.66	0.78	0.72	0.75	0.95
FGSM-U	0.72	0.70	0.68	0.71	0.46	0.50	0.43	0.27	0.41	0.41	0.31	0.50	0.60	0.49	0.51	0.48	0.54	0.50
PGD-U	0.78	0.80	0.77	0.82	0.48	0.50	0.66	0.70	0.68	0.58	0.31	0.50	0.63	0.61	0.58	0.50	0.51	0.50
PGD-T	0.79	0.78	0.74	0.81	0.43	0.50	0.63	0.73	0.70	0.59	0.30	0.50	0.65	0.52	0.55	0.49	0.50	0.50
Dfool-U	0.87	0.86	0.84	0.87	0.48	0.50	0.78	0.76	0.71	0.61	0.29	0.50	0.67	0.60	0.58	0.51	0.43	0.50
CW-U	0.88	0.87	0.84	0.87	0.48	0.50	0.78	0.75	0.71	0.61	0.30	0.50	0.65	0.58	0.51	0.51	0.46	0.50
CW-T	0.87	0.87	0.84	0.85	0.53	0.50	0.77	0.75	0.71	0.60	0.29	0.50	0.67	0.45	0.56	0.51	0.44	0.50
DDN-U	0.88	0.87	0.84	0.87	0.50	0.50	0.77	0.76	0.72	0.61	0.30	0.50	0.67	0.43	0.57	0.50	0.45	0.50
DDN-T	0.88	0.87	0.84	0.87	0.49	0.50	0.77	0.74	0.71	0.60	0.28	0.50	0.68	0.36	0.53	0.46	0.41	0.50

Tab 5. Image classification accuracy of X-Ensemble and the baselines

3. Experiment Results: Robustness

X-Ensemble			
	Fashion-MNIST	CIFAR-10	ImageNet
PGD-T	0.87	0.67	0.72
CW-T	0.90	0.69	0.83
DDN-T	0.90	0.71	0.78

Tab 6. Classification accuracy of X-Ensemble under white- box attacks

4. Conclusion

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- 1) We proposed X-Ensemble, an ensembled detection-rectification pipeline on high-performance adversary defense;
 - 2) X-Ensemble combines sub-detectors with random forests to achieve satisfying performance against hybrid and unforeseen attacks;
 - 3) The non-differentiable nature of random forests guarantees the robustness of X-Ensemble under white-box attacks.

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