

# Lipschitz-Certifiable Training with a Tight Outer Bound

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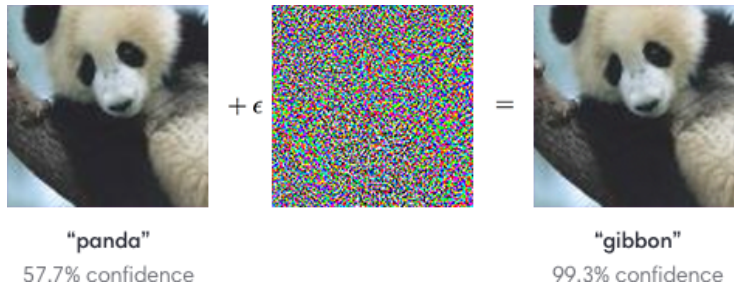
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# Adversarial Examples



An input perturbed with a small adversarially designed perturbation that can change the network's prediction [Sze+13].

# Heuristic Defenses → Adaptive Attacks

Many heuristic defenses are proposed, but broken by adaptive attacks.

- Defensive distillation [Pap+16] →  $z/T$  [CW16], CW attack [CW17]
- ICLR 18 → EOT, BPDA attack [ACW18]
- Many more → Adaptive attacks [Tra+20]
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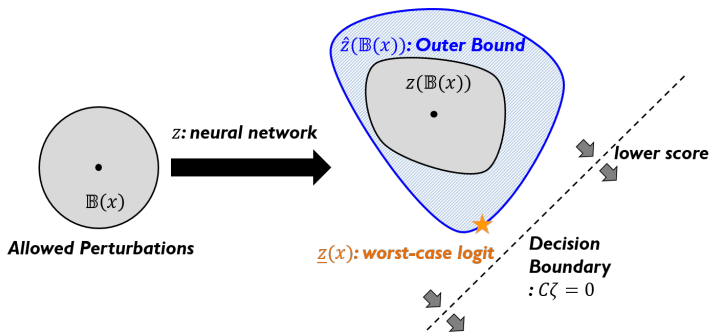
To this end, **certified defenses** are proposed.

# Certified Defenses

Certified defenses minimize **an upper bound** on the worst-case loss over all possible perturbations  $\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{x})$  as follows:

$$\max_{\mathbf{x}' \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{x})} \mathcal{L}(z(\mathbf{x}'), y) \leq \mathcal{L}(\underline{z}(\mathbf{x}), y) \quad (1)$$

with **a worst-case logit**  $\underline{z}(\mathbf{x}) = \arg \min_{\zeta \in \hat{z}(\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{x}))} C\zeta$ .

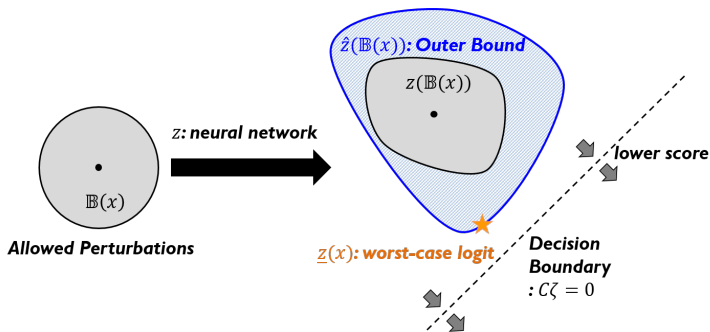


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A worst-case logit  $\underline{z}(\mathbf{x})$  can be obtained via the following optimization over an outer bound  $\hat{\mathbb{z}}(\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{x})) \supset z(\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{x}))$  where  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{1}e^{(y)^T} - I$ :

$$\underline{z}(\mathbf{x}) = \arg \min_{\zeta \in \hat{\mathbb{z}}(\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{x}))} \mathbf{C}\zeta \quad (2)$$

- LMT [TSS18]:  $\hat{\mathbb{z}}(\mathbb{B}(\mathbf{x})) = \mathbb{B}_2(z(\mathbf{x}), \epsilon L)$  with the Lipschitz constant  $L$   
Lipschitz outer bound



# Intuition behind the Design

Overestimation problem of Lipschitz outer bound  $\mathbb{B}(z(\mathbf{x}), L)$ .

$k$ th Bound  $\rightarrow$   $(k+1)$ th Bound (**Tight bound**  $\subset$  **Overestimated bound**)

- Nonlinear operation (ReLU):  $L_i = 1 \geq \frac{u^+}{u^+ - l^-}$
- Linear operation:  $L_i = |\lambda_{\max}(\mathbf{W}^{(i)})|$  (spectral norm)

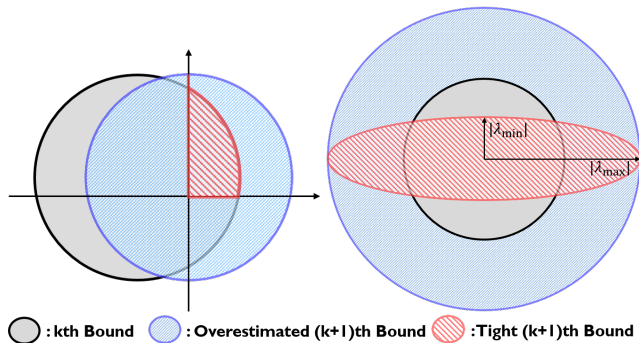


Figure: Overestimation in nonlinear (LEFT) and linear operation (RIGHT)

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To address the overestimation problem of Lipschitz outer bound  
→ Consider **element-wise bound (= Box Constraint)** propagation

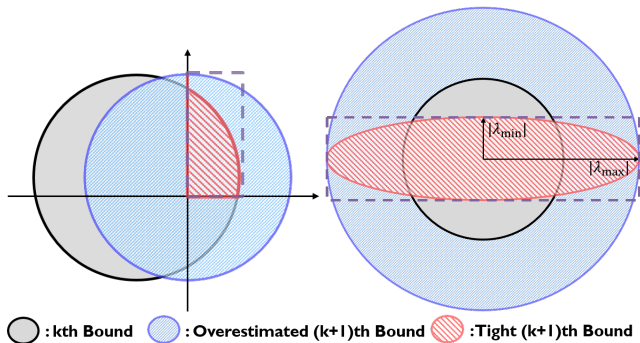


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$$\begin{array}{c}
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 \downarrow \\
 \max_{\mathbf{x}' \in \mathbb{B}(\mathbf{x})} \mathcal{L}(z(\mathbf{x}'), y) \leq \mathcal{L}(\arg \min_{\zeta \in \mathbb{B}_2 \cap \mathbb{B}_\infty} \mathbf{C}\zeta, y) \leq \mathcal{L}(\arg \min_{\zeta \in \mathbb{B}_2} \mathbf{C}\zeta, y) \\
 \text{"optimal (infeasible)"} \quad \quad \text{"tight"} \quad \quad \quad \text{"loose"}
 \end{array}$$

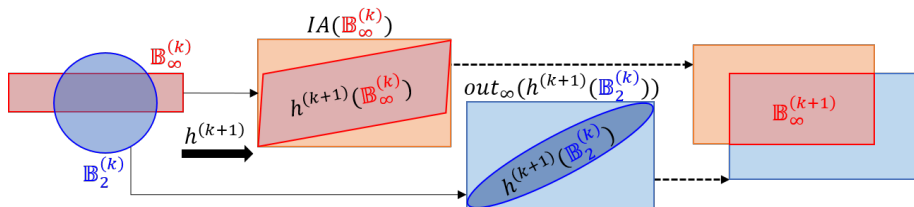


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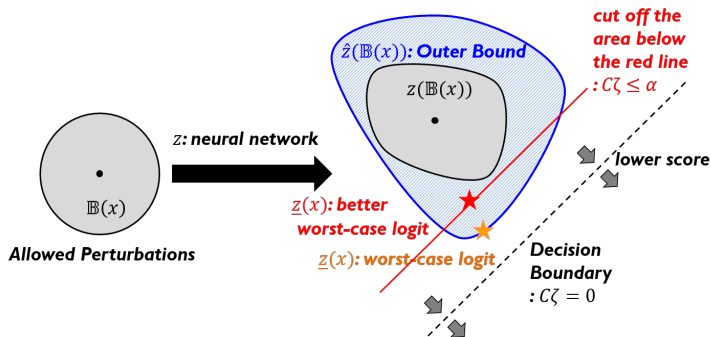
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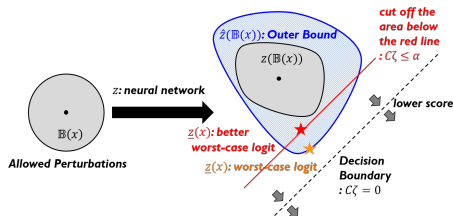
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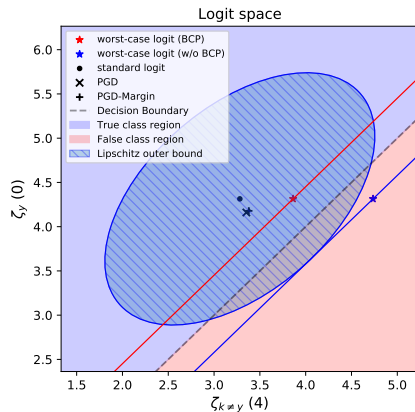
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# Visualization



- CIFAR-10
- multi-class classification (10 classes)
- Lipschitz outer bound: blue ellipse
- worst-case logit with BCP: ★
- worst-case logit w/o BCP: ★



# Contributions1 - Efficiency

It is **over 12 times faster** than CAP [Won+18].

## Theorem (Efficient Computation)

*We can find the optimal solution  $\zeta^*$  of  $\min_{\zeta \in \mathbb{B}_2 \cap \mathbb{B}_\infty} \mathbf{c}^T \zeta$  in a finite number of iterative steps less than the number of elements in  $\mathbf{c}$ .*

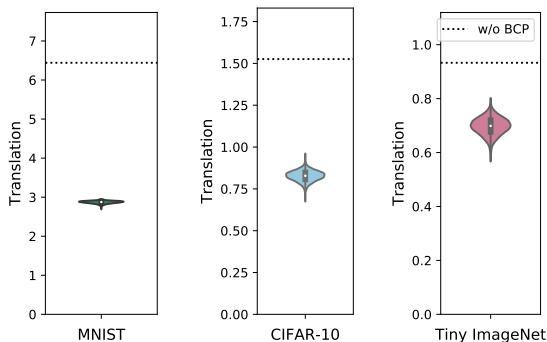
**Table:** Computation time compared to CAP [Won+18].

Data	Structure	Computation time (sec/epoch)		Speed up
		CAP	BCP	
MNIST	4C3F	689	<b>57.5</b>	$\times 12.0$
	4C3F	645	<b>53.0</b>	$\times 12.2$
CIFAR-10	6C2F	1,369	<b>56.5</b>	$\times 24.2$
	WRN	1,121 (2 GPUs)	<b>89.5</b>	$\times 12.5$
Tiny ImageNet	8C2F	-	<b>3,268</b>	-

# Contributions2 - Tightness

The additional box constraint makes 'worst-case translations' **25-55% tighter** in terms of

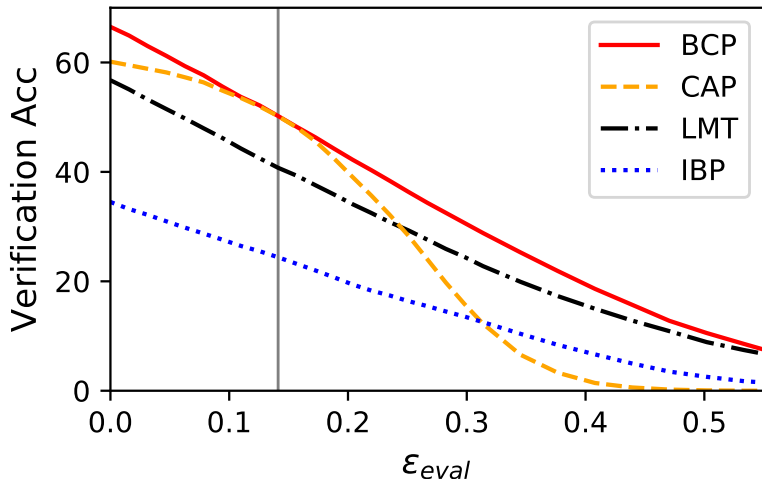
$$\text{translation} \propto \|\underline{z}(\mathbf{x}) - z(\mathbf{x})\|_1$$



**Figure:** Tightness of the outer bounds. The dotted lines indicate the tightness without BCP. A smaller value indicates a better tightness.

# Contributions3 - Expressiveness/Robustness

BCP (proposed method) **outperforms state-of-the-art methods** (CAP [Won+18], LMT [TSS18], IBP [Gow+18]).



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- **Tightness:** By introducing an additional box constraint, we can obtain a tighter upper bound to be minimized.
- **Expressiveness/Robustness:** Therefore, we can build a certifiably robust model outperforms state-of-the-art methods.

\*Focus:  $\ell_2$ -norm bounded perturbations,  
but applicable to any  $\ell_p$ -cases ( $p > 0$ ).



# Thank You

<https://github.com/sungyoon-lee/bcp>



Figure: Code & Paper

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