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Adversarial learning

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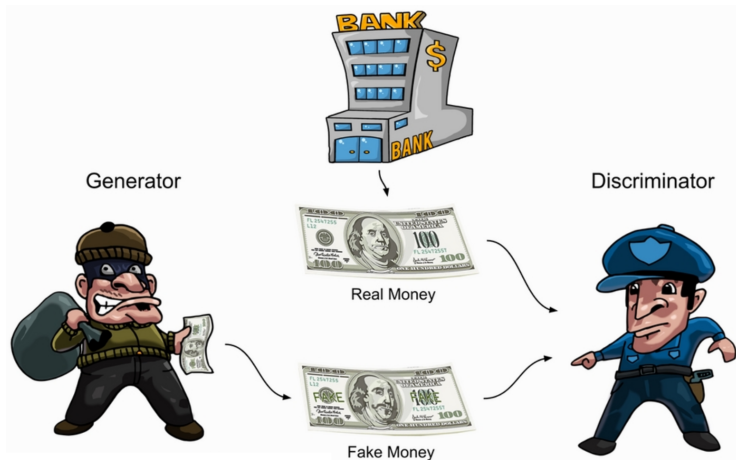


Figure: Rowel Atienza

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The generator competes against the adversarial discriminator and tries to minimize its success rate.

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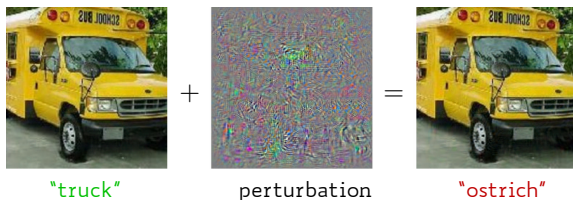
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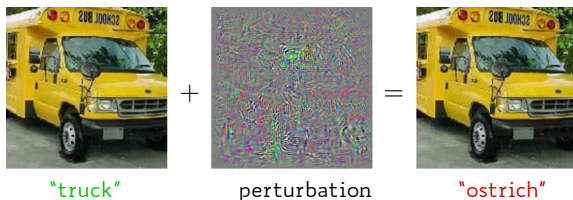


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For example:

$$\min_{\delta \in [0,1]^n} \|\delta\|_p + c (\max\{F(\mathbf{x} + \delta)_i : i \neq t\} - F(\mathbf{x} + \delta)_t)^+$$

where $F : \mathbf{x} \mapsto [0,1]^k$ is the NN yielding a **probability distribution** over all k classes, and $(a)^+ = \max(a, 0)$.



Carlini and Wagner, "Towards Evaluating the Robustness of Neural Networks", 2016

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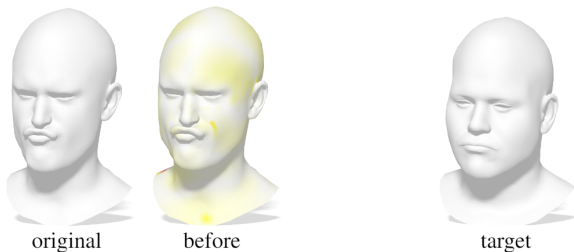
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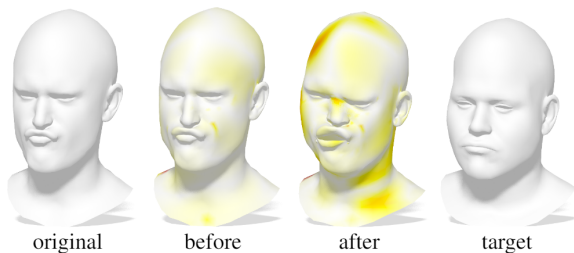
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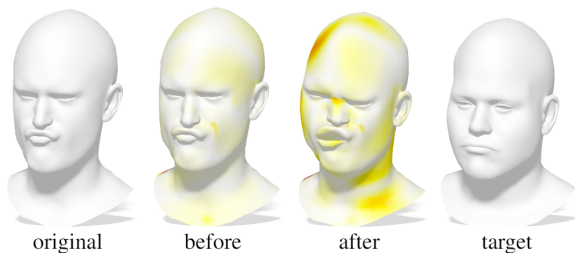
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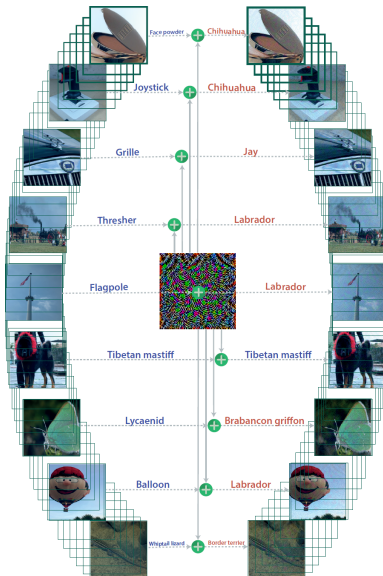
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Still, it can be proven that classifiers are always vulnerable!

Universal perturbations



Moosavi-Dezfooli et al, "Universal adversarial perturbations", 2017

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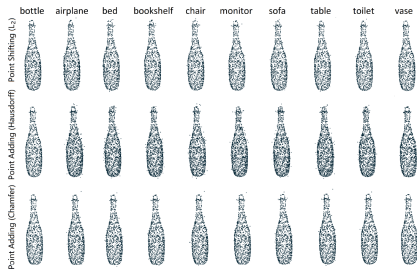
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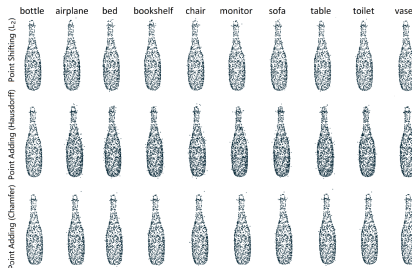
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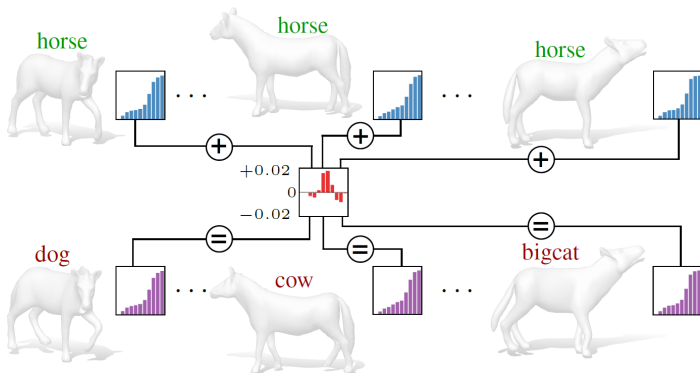
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- The notion of **perceptible** is different than with images.
- Can alter the **domain** (e.g. the graph connections) rather than just the features (e.g. the values stored at the nodes).

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Universal perturbations on 3D data



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