# BlurNet: Defense by Filtering the Feature Maps

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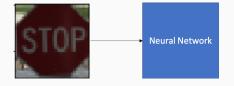
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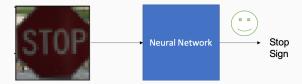
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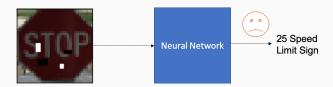
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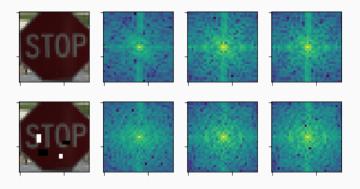






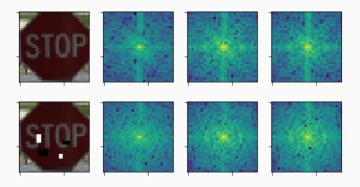


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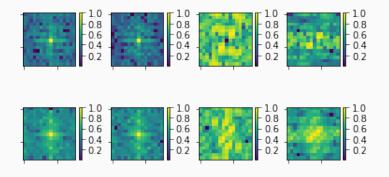
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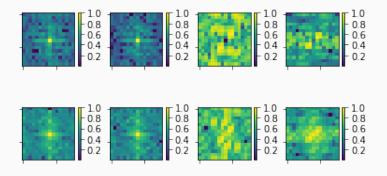
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- Difference image suggests that the perturbations induce high frequency components not found in natural stop signs

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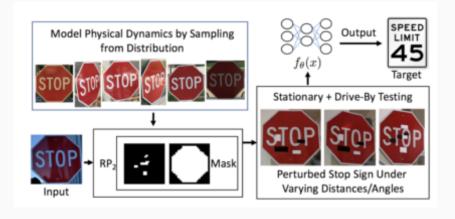
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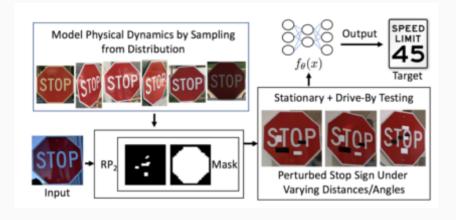
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- 3. An attacker is considered strong if its attack success rate is high while having a low dissimilarity metric.

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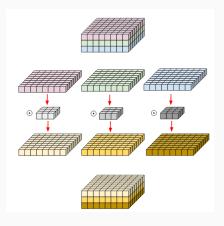
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$$\arg\min_{\delta} \quad \lambda \|M_{x} \cdot \delta\|_{p} + \mathbb{E}_{x_{i} \sim X^{V}} J(f_{\theta}(x_{i} + T_{i}(M_{x} \cdot \delta)), y^{*})$$

## **Proposal**

#### Low-pass filtering



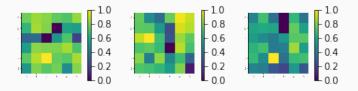
• Induce low-pass filtering with standard blur kernels by inserting a depthwise convolution after the first convolution layer.

### Filtering input vs. Filtering Feature Maps

Table 1: Results from black box evaluation

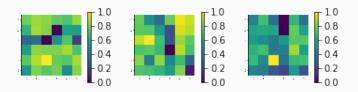
	Accuracy	Attack Success Rate
Baseline	100%	90%
Input filter 3x3	100%	87.5%
Input filter 5x5	100%	67.5%
3x3 filter on L1 feature maps	100%	65%
5x5 filter on L1 feature maps	87.5%	17.5%

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- 2. High frequency information is relevant to maintain decent classification.

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Table 2: Results from white box evaluation

	$\alpha$	Legitimate Acc.	Average Success Rate	Worst Success Rate	L <sub>2</sub> Distortion
Baseline	0	91%	49.18%	90%	0.207
3x3 conv	$10^{-5}$	86.3%	30%	55%	0.201
5x5 conv	0.1	86.3%	24.11%	47.5%	0.189
7x7 conv	0.1	87%	11.61%	30%	0.203
TV	$10^{-4}$	85.6%	7.92%	17.5%	0.224
TV	$10^{-5}$	82.3%	8.47%	30%	0.199

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