Special Topics in Mechano-Informatics II

Interpretable and Adversarial Machine Learning

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Machine Learning: The Success Story

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Machine translation



ILSVRC top-5 Error on ImageNet



ML Achieves Superhuman Performance

AlphaGo beats Go human champ



Computer out-plays humans in "doom"



Deep Net outperforms humans in image classification



Autonomous search-and-rescue drones outperform humans



IBM's Watson destroys humans in jeopardy



DeepStack beats professional poker players



Deep Net beats human at recognizing traffic signs



Evolution of ML



ML in Physical World



Autonomous Driving

Healthcare

Smart City



Malware Classification



Fraud Detection



Biometrics Recognition

Consequence:



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The FBI Has Access to Over 640 **Million Photos of Us Through Its Facial Recognition Database**

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In 2016, a Tesla driver using Autopilot crashed into the side of a truck and was killed. It happened again three months ago, but this time with a completely new version of Autopilot. What's the heck is going on?? theverge.com/2019/5/17/1862 ...



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Robust Physical-World Attacks on Machine Learning Models

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Privacy: Deep Leakage from Gradients

- Federated learning: model is moving while private training data never leaves local device
- However, training data can be leaked by publicly shared gradients





(Ligeng Zhu et al., Deep Leakage from Gradients. NeurIPS 2019)

Building Trust between Human and Al



Interpretable/Explainable Machine Learning

Black-box AI Creates Confusions



Black-box Model



- Internals are unknown to observer
- Internals are known but uninterpretable

Explanations in ML world





What is Explainable AI



What is Interpretable/Explainable ML

There is no mathematical definition of interpretability. Two proposed definitions in the literature are:

Interpretability is the degree to which a human can understand the cause of a decision. — Tim Miller

Interpretability is the degree to which a human can consistently predict the model's result. — Been Kim

Why Explainability? Generating Explanation for the End-User



C: I predict FISH

H: Why? C: See below:



Green regions argue for FISH, while RED pushes towards DOG. There's more green.

H: (Hmm. Seems like it might be just recognizing anemone texture!) Which training examples are most influential to the prediction?

C: These ones:







H: What happens if the background

anemones are removed? E.g.,



C: I still predict FISH, because of these green superpixels:



Weld, D., et al, The challenge of crafting intelligible intelligence, Communications of ACM (2018)

Why Explainability? Debug (Mis)-Prediction





Why did the network label this image as "clog"?

Original image



Integrated gradients (for top label)





Original image



Integrated Gradients





Why Explainability: Verify the ML Model/System

Wrong decisions can be costly and dangerous

"Autonomous car crashes, because it wrongly recognizes ..."



"Al medical diagnosis system misclassifies patient's disease"



Credit: Samek, Binder, Tutorial on Interpretable ML, MICCAI'18

Why Explainability? Improve ML Model



Credit: Samek, Binder, Tutorial on Interpretable ML, MICCAI'18

Why Explainability: Learn New Insights

"It's not a human move. I've never seen a human play this move." (Fan Hui)



Old promise: "Learn about the human brain."



Credit: Samek, Binder, Tutorial on Interpretable ML, MICCAI'18

Why Explainability: Learn Insights in the Sciences

Learn about the physical / biological / chemical mechanisms. (e.g. find genes linked to cancer, identify binding sites ...)





Credit: Samek, Binder, Tutorial on Interpretable ML, MICCAI'18

Why Interpretability: Find Bias and Fairness



What kind of Interpretation?

Data: Which dimensions of the data are most relevant for the task?

- Model: What concept does a particular neural encode?
- Prediction: Explain why a certain instance has been classified as a certain class







Model-based vs. Post Hoc Interpretability

Model-based

- Simpler model to fit the data
- Lower predictive accuracy but higher descriptive accuracy

Post hoc

- Analyze or visualize information of a trained model
- Unchanged predictive accuracy



Definitions, methods, and applications in interpretable machine learning (Murdoch et al. PNAS 2019)

Global vs. Local Explanations

Finding a prototype:



Question: How does a "motorbike" typically look like?

Individual explanation:



Question: Why is *this* example classified as a motorbike?

Global vs. Local Interpretation

Global interpretation

Understanding how a lamp typically looks like

Local interpretation

Understanding why this image contain a lamp



why it is classified as a lamp

some image of a lamp



model's prototypical lamp

Taxonomy of Interpretability Methods



- Local: interpretation for specific instance
- Global: interpretation for model output

- Model-specific: only for specific model class, access to model internals
- Model-agnostic: for any models, post hoc, analyzing input and output without access to model internals

Accuracy vs. Explainability



Explaining Decision

Layer-wise Relevance Propagation (LRP) (Bach et al. 2015)



Sensitivity Analysis

Consider a function f, a data point $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \ldots, x_d)$, and the prediction

$$f(x_1,\ldots,x_d).$$

Sensitivity analysis measures the local variation of the function along each input dimension

$$\mathsf{R}_i = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i}\Big|_{\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{x}}\right)^2$$

Remarks:

- Easy to implement (we only need access to the gradient of the decision function).
- But does it really explain the prediction?

Saliency via Backpropagation

Sensitivity analysis of target neuron w.r.t. input pixels



Deep inside convolutional networks, Simonyan, Vedaldi, Zisserman, ICLR, 2014

Saliency Map

Saliency maps provide a visual representation of the input sensitivity of an output class



Sanity Checks for Saliency Maps (Adebayo et al., NeurIPS 2018) Deep Inside Convolutional Networks (Simonyan et al., ICLR 2014)

Sanity Check-1

When randomizing weight, model gives random prediction

Does saliency map change?



Sanity Checks for Saliency Maps (Adebayo et al. NeurIPS 2018)

Class Activation Maps (CAM)



Grad-CAM



What animal is in this picture? Dog



What animal is in this picture? Cat

Extremal Perturbations



Learn a **fixed-sized** mask **m** to perturb input **x** that maximally **preserves** the network's output



[Fong et al., ICCV 2019]

Uncertainty Map



What Uncertainties Do We Need in Bayesian Deep Learning for Computer Vision? (Kendall et al. NeurIPS 2017)
Interpreting Model

- Find prototypical example of a category
- Find pattern maximizing activity of a neuron



Activation Maximization

Visualize the exemplar of class (output layer) or representation (hidden layer) by optimization w.r.t. input



https://distill.pub/2017/feature-visualization/; https://distill.pub/2018/building-blocks/

Multifaceted Feature Visualization

Class maximization w.r.t. inputs

 $\max_{x} S_c(x) - \lambda R(x)$





Multifaceted Feature Visualization: (Nguyen et al. ICML 2016 Best Paper Award)

Activation Maximization





Layer 4e

Layer 5a

Layer 5b









Dog snouts

By this layer we find more sophisticated concepts, like a particular kind of animal shout. On the other hand, we also start to see neurons that react to multiple unrelated concepts. It

















Brass instruments

Visualizations become harder to interpret here, but the semantic concepts they target are often still quite specific.









In this layer visualizations become mostly nonsensical collages. You may still identify specific subjects, but will usually need a combination of diversity and dataset examples to do so. Neurons do not seem to correspond to particularly meaningful semantic ideas anymore.

https://distill.pub/2017/feature-visualization/; https://distill.pub/2018/building-blocks/

LIME (Local Interpretable Model-Agnostic Explanations)

- Surrogate models are trained to approximate the predictions of the underlying black box model (model-agnostic approach)
- Explain the decision by evidence of interpretable region



"Why Should I Trust You?" Explaining the Predictions of Any Classifier (Ribeiro et al. KDD 2016) Model-Agnostic Interpretability of Machine Learning (Ribeiro et al. AAAI 2018)

LIME: More Examples





Predicted: wolf True: husky

Predicted: husky True: husky



Predicted: wolf True: wolf

Influence Functions

- Influence of model's prediction by training points
- Identify the training points "responsible" for a given prediction
- How predictions change if removing a training point z?

$$\mathcal{I}(z, z_{\text{test}}) = -\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(z_{\text{test}}, \theta)^{T} H_{\theta}^{-1} \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(z, \theta)$$

Hessian $H_{\theta} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \nabla_{\theta}^{2} \mathcal{L}(z_{i}, \theta)$

• How predictions change if a training point z is modified?

$$\mathcal{I}(z, z_{\text{test}}) = -\nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(z_{\text{test}}, \theta)^T H_{\theta}^{-1} \nabla_x \nabla_{\theta} \mathcal{L}(z, \theta)$$

$$z \mapsto z + \delta, \quad \nabla_{\delta} \mathcal{L}(z_{\text{test}}, \theta') = \mathcal{L}(z, z_{\text{test}})^T \delta$$

Poising attack

Understanding Black-box Predictions via Influence Functions (Koh and Liang, ICML 2017)

Influence Functions



Test image

Helpful training images

Test image



Label: 7

Harmful training image



Label: 7

Understanding Black-box Predictions via Influence Functions (Koh and Liang, ICML 2017)



- What do I need to change for the bank to approve my loan?
- Which symptoms would lead to a different medical diagnosis?

 $\min_{x'} \max_{\lambda} \lambda (f_{\theta}(x') - y')^2 + d(x_0, x')$ $d(x_0, x') = \|x_0 - x'\|_1$

Adversarial example with sparsity of perturbations

Counterfactual explanations without opening the black box (Wachter et al. 2017)

Is Google's DeepDream Art?







Horizon

Leaves



- Towers & Pagodas Buildings

Birds & Insects









Deep Generative Representation





Disentangled Representations

- Factorize distribution over the latent variables
 - Single change in factor should lead to single change representations



Application: Image Translation

Image resynthesis by manipulating latent factors





Multi-Attribute Transfer via Disentangled Representation (Zhang et al., AAAI 2019)

Adversarial Machine Learning (Reliability and Robustness)

Extreme Reliability and Safety



Autonomous vehicles



Air traffic control



Medical diagnosis



Surgery robots

Problem: DNNs are Brittle





$$\operatorname{sign}(\nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} J(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{x}, y))$$

"panda" 57.7% confidence

 \boldsymbol{x}





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Inconsistent perception between human and ML

(Goodfellow et al., ICLR 2015)

Reliability: Medical Diagnosis

Original image



Dermatoscopic image of a benign melanocytic nevus, along with the diagnostic probability computed by a deep neural network.



Benign Malignant

Model confidence

Adversarial noise



Perturbation computed by a common adversarial attack technique. See (7) for details.

Adversarial example



Combined image of nevus and attack perturbation and the diagnostic probabilities from the same deep neural network.



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Benign Malignant

Model confidence

(Finlayson et al. Science 2019) Adversarial attacks on medical machine learning

Robust Physical-World Attacks

Field (Drive-By) Test

Video sequences taken under

different driving speeds

Lab (Stationary) Test

Physical road signs with adversarial perturbation under different conditions



(Eykholt et al., Robust physical-world attacks on deep learning visual classification, CVPR 2018)









Accuracy vs. Adversarial Robustness



(D. Su et al., Is Robustness the Cost of Accuracy? - A Comprehensive Study on the Robustness of 18 Deep Image Classification Models, ECCV 2018)

Limitation of ML Framework



All training and testing data examples drawn independently from same distribution





Real-world application

Implication of Adversarial Examples

- ML has high score of accuracy but not sufficiently intelligent
- Distinct principles between human perception and ML
- Risky for safety critical applications
- Limitations of current ML methods
- Trust between human and AI

Attacks on ML Pipeline



Poisoning Attack

- By poisoning training data, the model will be compromised
- Planting backdoors in training data, such that the data with backdoors will be misclassified



Trojan Attack

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(Bolun Wang et al., Neural Cleanse: Identifying and Mitigating Backdoor Attacks in Neural Networks. IEEE Security and Privacy, 2019)

Backdoor Attack against Federated Learning

DBA: distributed backdoor attack



(Chulin Xie, et al., DBA: Distributed Backdoor Attacks against Federated Learning. ICLR 2020)

Evasion Attack: Adversarial Examples





Target vs. non-targeted attack

White-box vs. black-box attack

Intriguing Properties of NN (1)



Random activations also has specific semantic property

Uninterpretable and counter-intuitive properties of DNN

No distinction between individual high level units and random activations

(Szegedy et al. Intriguing properties of neural networks, ICLR 2014)

Intriguing Properties of NN (2)

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \text{Minimize } c|r| + \text{loss}_f(x+r, l) \text{ subject to } x+r \in [0, 1]^m \\ & \text{Optimization of} \\ & \text{Perturbation} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Adversarial} \\ \text{Example} \\ \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{Wrong} \\ \text{Label} \end{array} \end{array}$$

Ostrich, struthio, camelus



(a)





(a) Even columns: adversarial examples for a linear (FC) classifier (stddev=0.06)

0	0	4	4	9	9
1	1	6	6	γ	3
4	4	2	N	8	8
0	0	3	3	Ţ	7

(b) Even columns: adversarial examples for a 200-200-10 sigmoid network (stddev=0.063)



(c) Randomly distorted samples by Gaussian noise with stddev=1. Accuracy: 51%.

Uninterpretable and counter-intuitive properties of DNN

- Hardly perceptible perturbation can cause misclassification of network
- These distorted images or adversarial examples generalize fairly well even to different models trained by different dataset

(Szegedy et al. Intriguing properties of neural networks, ICLR 2014)

Why Do Adversarial Examples Happen?



- Early explanations for adversarial examples is highly nonlinearity and overfitting of NN (is it wrong?)
- Adversarial samples are caused by high-dimensionality of input and models being too linear rather than too nonlinear
- Linear models lack the capacity to resist adversarial perturbation
- Generalization of adversarial examples across different models can be explained as the perturbations being highly aligned with the weight vectors of model

(Goodfellow et al. Explaining and Harnessing Adversarial Examples, ICLR 2015)

FGSM: Fast Gradient Sign Method



(Goodfellow et al. Explaining and Harnessing Adversarial Examples, ICLR 2015)

Objective of Adversarial Training



- Adversarial examples are continually updated given current model
- The larger model capacity is required to reduce error on adversarial examples
- Adversarially trained model shows great robustness to adversarial examples
- The weight of model are more localized and interpretable
- Adversarial training = Active learning

(Goodfellow et al. Explaining and Harnessing Adversarial Examples, ICLR 2015)

Optimization for Adversarial Attack



Geometry of *l*_p-Norm



Target Attacks



Optimization problem:

$$\max_{\delta} \{ \mathcal{L}(\theta, x + \delta, y) - \mathcal{L}(\theta, x + \delta, y') \} \quad \text{s.t. } \|\delta\|_p \le \epsilon$$

Loss w.r.t. true label Loss w.r.t. target label

Targeted Attacks: Example



Note: A targeted attack can succeed in "fooling" the classifier, but change to a different label than target
White-box Attacks

Fast approaches

Fast gradient sign $\delta = \epsilon \operatorname{sgn}(\nabla_x \mathcal{L}(\theta, x, y))$

Fast gradient
$$\delta = \epsilon \left(\frac{\nabla_x \mathcal{L}(\theta, x, y)}{\|\nabla_x \mathcal{L}(\theta, x, y)\|_2} \right)$$

Iterative approach

$$\max_{\delta} \mathcal{L}(\theta, x + \delta, y) - \lambda \|\delta\|_p$$

Target specific optimization

$$\min_{\delta} \mathcal{L}(\theta, x + \delta, y') + \lambda \|\delta\|_p$$

Need to know model f_{θ}

Adversarial Example view of the second seco



DeepFool

$$\underset{\boldsymbol{r}_{i}}{\arg\min} \|\boldsymbol{r}_{i}\|_{2} \text{ subject to } f(\boldsymbol{x}_{i}) + \nabla f(\boldsymbol{x}_{i})^{T} \boldsymbol{r}_{i} = 0.$$



Iterative optimization of perturbations for linear classifiers

(Moosavi-Dezfooli et al., DeepFool: A Simple and Accurate Method to Fool Deep Neural Networks, CVPR 2016)

Application to Transfer Learning



Black-box Adversarial Reprogramming (BAR)

- Transfer learning: from finetuning to black-box setting
- Cross domain and data limited transfer learning



(Y. Tsai et al., Transfer Learning without Knowing: Reprogramming Black-box Machine Learning Models with Scarce Data and Limited Resources, ICML 2020)

Universal Adversarial Perturbations

Universal perturbation to

- Data sample
- Models
- Input transformations
- Ensemble methods





(Moosavi-Dezfooli et al., Universal Adversarial Perturbations, CVPR 2017)

Black-box Attacks

Zero-query attack

- Random perturbation
- Difference of means
- Transferability based attack

Query based attack

- Finite difference gradient estimation
- Query reduced gradient estimation



Zero knowledge about model and training data





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- Black-box system is also vulnerable to adversarial attack black-box attack grand piano
- Gradient estimation from system ou







Zero-Order Optimization

Estimate gradient using function value coordinate by coordinate (Chen et al., 2017)



(S. Ghadimi & G. Lan, Stochastic First- and Zeroth-Order Methods for Nonconvex Stochastic Programming, SIAM J. Optim. 2013)

Query Based Attack

Finite difference Formation $FD_{\mathbf{x}}(g(\mathbf{x}), \delta) =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{g(\mathbf{x}+\delta\mathbf{e}_{1})-g(\mathbf{x}-\delta\mathbf{e}_{1})}{2\delta} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{g(\mathbf{x}+\delta\mathbf{e}_{d})-g(\mathbf{x}-\delta\mathbf{e}_{d})}{2\delta} \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

An example of approximate FGSM with finite difference $x_{adv} = \mathbf{x} + \epsilon \cdot \operatorname{sign} (\operatorname{FD}_{\mathbf{x}}(\ell_f(\mathbf{x}, y), \delta))$

$$x_{adv} = \mathbf{x} + \epsilon \cdot \operatorname{sign}\left(\operatorname{FD}_{\mathbf{x}}(\ell_f(\mathbf{x}, y), \delta)\right)$$

Similar attack success rate with white-box attack



AutoZOOM

Scaled random full gradient estimation for efficient query

i)
$$\mathbf{g} = \frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = b \cdot \frac{f(\mathbf{x} + \beta \mathbf{u}) - f(\mathbf{x})}{\beta} \cdot \mathbf{u}$$
, **u** is a unit-lenght vector *ii*) $\bar{\mathbf{g}} = \frac{1}{q} \sum_{j=1}^{q} \mathbf{g}_{j}$

Autoencoder for dimensional reduction of perturbations



(Chun-Chen Tu et al., AutoZOOM: Autoencoder-Based Zeroth Order Optimization Method for Attacking Black-Box Neural Networks, AAAI-19)

Summary of Attack Methods

White-Box

Auto-PGD (Croce and Hein, 2020) Wasserstein Attack (Wong et al., 2020) Targeted Universal Adversarial Perturbations (Hirano and Takemoto, 2019) Projected Gradient Descent (PGD) (Madry et al., 2017) Elastic Net (Chen et al., 2017) Universal Perturbation (Moosavi-Dezfooli et al. 2016) Feature Adversaries (Sabour et al. 2016) DeepFool [Moosavi-Dezfooli et al., CVPR 2016] L-BFGS [Szegedy et al. ICLR 2014] FGSM [Goodfellow et al. ICLR 2015]

ZO-SVRG [Liu et. al. NeurIPS 2018] ZO-NES [Ilyas et. al. ICML 2018] AutoZoom [Chen et al. AAAI 2019] ZO-signSGD [Liu et. al. ICLR 2019] ZO-Natural Gradient Descent [Zhao et. al. AAAI 2019] ZO-ADMM [Zhao et. al. ICCL 2019] ZO-ADAM [Chen et. al. NeurIPS 2019] ZO hard-label attack [Cheng et. al. ICLR 2019] Sign-OPT [Cheng et. al. ICLR 2020] Square Attack (Andriushchenko et al., 2020)

Black-Box

Poisoning Attack

Adversarial Backdoor Embedding (Tan and Shokri, 2019)

Backdoor Attack (Gu, et. al., 2017)

Poisoning Attack on Support Vector Machines (SVM) (Biggio et al., 2013)

Clean Label Feature Collision Attack (Shafahi, Huang et. al., 2018)

Software of Attacks

- https://github.com/bethgelab/foolbox
- https://github.com/IBM/adversarial-robustness-toolbox
- https://github.com/tensorflow/cleverhans
- https://github.com/Trusted-Al/adversarial-robustness-toolbox/ wiki/ART-Attacks



Adversarial Defense

- Cannot be defensed by weight regularization, dropout and model ensemble
- Two types
 - Passive defense: Find adversarial examples without modifying the model, special case of Anomaly Detection
 - Proactive defense: Training a model that is robust to adversarial examples

Passive Defense



Feature Squeezing

- Goal: Detect adversarial examples
- Feature Squeezer: coalesces similar samples into a single one



(Xu et al. NDSS 2018)

Feature Squeezing: Detecting Adversarial Examples in Deep Neural Networks

Feature Squeezing



Hypothesis

- Feature squeezing barely change legitimate input
- **Destruct adversarial perturbations**

Dataset	Squeezer	Adversarial Examples (FGSM, BIM, CW ₋ , Deep Fool, CW ₂ , CW ₂ , JSMA)	Legitimate Images
MNIST	Nonc	13.0%	99.43%
	1-bit Depth	62.7%	99.33%
imageNet	None	2.78%	69.70%
	4-bit Depth	52.11%	68.00%



Passive Defense

Randomization



https://arxiv.org/abs/1711.01991

Proactive Defense: Adversarial Training

- 1. Choose a set of perturbations: e.g., noise of small ℓ_{∞} norm:
- 2. For each example

3. Train the model on

4. Repeat until convergence

Szegedy et al., 2014 Madry et al., 2017

Adversarial Machine Learning

Traditional ML: optimization

Adversarial ML: game theory

More than one player, more than one cost

Standard vs. Adversarial Training

Adversarial Training

Adversarial training as a minimax problem

Be simplified as

$$\min_{\substack{\theta \\ \theta \\ \ell}} \mathbb{E}_{(x,y)\sim\mathcal{D}} \left[\max_{\delta} \mathcal{L}(\theta, x + \delta, y) \right] \quad \text{s.t. } \|\delta\|_p \le \epsilon$$

$$\text{Outer Minimization} \qquad \text{Inner Maximization}$$

Active Learning or Data Augmentation or Regularization

Adversarial Training

Inner maximization

 $\max_{\delta} \mathcal{L}(\theta, x + \delta, y) \text{ s.t. } \|\delta\|_p \le \epsilon$

- Local search (lower bound on objective)
- Combinatorial optimization (exactly solve objective)
- Convex relaxation (upper bound on objective)

Outer maximization

$$\min_{\theta} \mathbb{E}_{(x,y)\sim\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{L}(\theta, x + \delta', y)$$

Adversarial training

Provably rousting training

Adversarial Robustness is Not Free

- Optimization during training more difficult and models need to be larger ℓ_∞

More training data might be required

But There Are (Unexpected) Benefits

- The representation learned by robust model is more interpretable
- Align better to human perception

(a) MNIST

(b) CIFAR-10

(c) Restricted ImageNet

Loss gradient w.r.t. input

(Tsipras et al. Robustness may be at odds with accuracy, NeurIPS 2018)

Taxonomy of Adversarial ML

How to Evaluate Adversarial Robustness?

Game-based approach

- Specify a set of players (attacks and defenses)
- Benchmark the performance against each attacker-defender pair
- No guarantee on unseen threats and future attacks
- Verification-based approach
 - Attack-independent: does not use attacks for evaluation
 - Can provide robustness certificate: e.g., no attacks can alter the decision of the ML model if the attack strength is limited
 - Optimal verification is computationally impractical for large DNN

Zhang et al., Efficient Neural Network Robustness Certification with General Activation Functions, NIPS 2018

Verification: Lower Bounds on Robustness

Efficient Certified Bound with Activation Bounds

Robustness Certificate: Given a data input and a model, the top-1 prediction of the perturbed input will not be altered if the perturbation (e.g. L_p norm ball) is smaller than $\varepsilon_{certified}$

Timeline of Robustness Certification

https://arxiv.org/abs/1801.10578 https://arxiv.org/abs/1804.09699 https://arxiv.org/abs/1811.00866 https://arxiv.org/abs/1811.12395

Challenges

- How to improve the state-of-the-art adversarial training methods
- Adversarial training is effective, but not scalable and efficient
- Tradeoff between accuracy and robustness
- Understand the nature of vulnerability of DNNs
- How to evaluate and certificate model robustness
- Robustness to adaptive adversary, i.e. attack-agnostic defense
- Need for human-like machine perception and understanding