

# **REGroup: Rank-aggregating Ensemble of Generative Classifiers for Robust Predictions**







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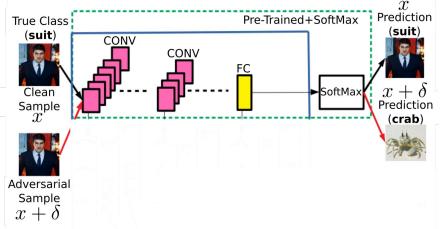






### **Motivation**

• Deep Neural Network based image classifiers can be fooled by adversarial samples



- Successful defenses:
  - Adversarial Training [1] : Train classifier using both clean and adversarial samples
  - Input randomization [2] before passing to a classifier
- Require fine-tuning or retraining (computational expensive and time consuming)
  - Adversarial training for full scale ImageNet classification
    - 52 hours on 128 NVIDIA V100 GPUs for ResNet-152 based classifier model [1]

Cihang Xie et al. "Feature Denoising for Improving Adversarial Robustness". CVPR, 2019
Edward Raff et al. "Barrage of Random Transforms for Adversarially Robust Defense". CVPR, 2019

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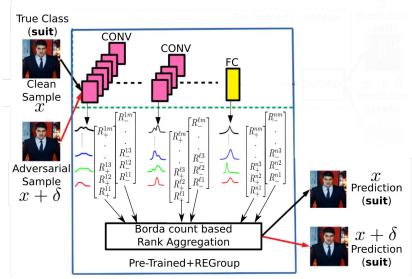
- Most defense methods [1]
  - are attack specific, architecture specific
  - practically not scalable (e.g., full ImageNet level)
- Need for a defense mechanism
  - agnostic to classifier architectures and the adversarial attack generation method
  - can detect and make correct prediction for adversarial examples
  - easy to scale to large scale classification task
- REGroup: Rank-aggregating Ensemble of Generative classifiers for robust predictions

### **REGroup Overview**

#### **Normal Inference Procedure** x Prediction Pre-Trained+SoftMax True Class (suit) (suit) CONV CONV FC SoftMax x $+ \partial$ Clean $\overset{\mathrm{Sample}}{x}$ Prediction (crab) Adversarial Sample $x + \delta$

SoftMax based final prediction

#### **REGroup inference Procedure**



- Layer-wise ranked predictions
- Final prediction based on aggregated rankings

### **REGroup Overview**

- 1. Generative classifiers
  - Class conditional layer-wise mixture distributions
    - Two distributions per layer, per class
      - Using positive pre-activation neural responses
      - Using negative pre-activation neural responses

One time only

- 2. Inference step
  - Layer-wise comparison of sample distributions with the class conditional distributions
    - KL-Divergence
  - Make layer-wise ranked predictions
  - Use robust rank aggregation strategy to aggregate ranked predictions
  - Final prediction is the class, with the highest rank

- Classifier architectures: VGG19 [1] and ResNet50 [2]
- Dataset: ImageNet [3]
- Adversarial attacks
  - Gradient Based Attacks (White box)
    - Full access to network parameters
  - Gradient Free Attacks (Black box)
    - Classifier is a back-box

Simonyan et al. "Very Deep Convolutional Networks for Large-Scale Image Recognition", ICLR, 2015
He at al. "Deep Residual Learning for Image Recognition", CVPR, 2016
Jia Deng et al. "ImageNet: A Large-Scale Hierarchical Image Database". CVPR, 2009

#### • Gradient Based Attacks:

- Projective Gradient Descent (PGD) [1]
- DeepFool (DFool) [2]
- Carlini and Wagner (C&W)[3]
- Trust Region attack (TR) [4]
- Color adversarial attack (cAdv) [5]

#### UN : Untargeted Attack

- TA : Targeted Attack
- HC : High Confidence (at-least 90%)
- $\epsilon$  : Adversarial Perturbation Budget
- #S : No. of adversarial samples

T1(%): Top-1 accuracy

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	Data	TA / HC	$\epsilon$	#S	T1(%)	T1(%)	#S	T1(%)	T1(%)	
Clean	V10K	-		10000	100	88	10000	100	76	
Clean	V2K	-	-	2000	100	86	2000	100	72	
Clean	V10C	-	_	417	100	84	392	100	79	
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DFool	V10K	UN	$2(L_2)$	9789	0	61	9939	0	55	
C&W	V10K	UN	$4(L_2)$	10000	0	40	10000	0	38	
TR	V10K	UN	$2(L_{\infty})$	10000	0	41	9103	0	45	
cAdv	V10C	UN	-	417	0	37	392	0	18	
PGD	V2K	- <u>T</u> A -	$(L_{\infty})$	2000		47	2000	_0_		
C&W	V2K	TA	(L <sub>2</sub> )	2000	0	46	2000	0	38	
PGD	$\overline{V}2\overline{K}$	UN+HC	$(L_{\infty})$	2000		21	2000	_0_	_ 19	
PGD	V2K	TA+HC	$(L_{\infty})$	2000	0	23	2000	0	17	

Tab 1. Classification accuracy on gradient based attacks

- [1] Madry, Aleksander, et al. "Towards Deep Learning Models Resistant to Adversarial Attacks." ICLR. 2018
- [2] Moosavi-Dezfooli et al. "Deepfool: a simple and accurate method to fool deep neural networks." CVPR. 2016
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- [4] Yao, Zhewei, et al. "Trust region based adversarial attack on neural networks." CVPR, 2019
- [5] Bhattad, Anand, et al. "Unrestricted Adversarial Examples via Semantic Manipulation." ICLR. 2019

- Gradient Free Attacks (Black Box Attacks):
  - SPSA Attack [1]
  - Boundary Attack [2]
  - Spatial Attack [3]

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		Data	TA / HC	$\epsilon$	#S	T1(%)	T1(%)	#S	T1(%)	T1(%)	
	SPSA	V10K	UN	$4(L_{\infty})$	4911	0	71	5789	0	58	
	Boundary	V10K	UN	2 (L <sub>2</sub> )	10000	0	50	10000	0	50	
	Spatial	V10K	UN	2 (L <sub>2</sub> )	2624	0	36	2634	0	30	

Tab 2. Classification accuracy on gradient free attacks

ResNet-50

VGG-19

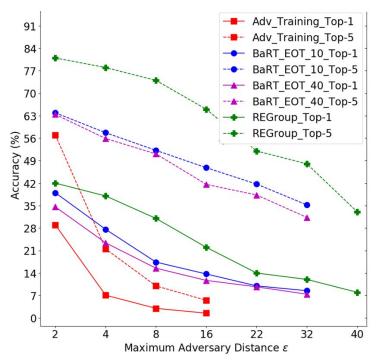
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Logan Engstrom et al. "Exploring the Landscape of Spatial Robustness". ICML, 2019

- Comparison with adversarial training [1] and input randomization method [2]
- BaRT: Barrage of Random Transforms
- EOT : Expectations over Input Transformations
- Dataset: Full ImageNet
- PGD Attack
  - Comparison with respect to adversarial attack strength



**Fig 3.** Comparison with adversarial training and fine tuning methods

## Thank you