

Generating Adversarial yet Inconspicuous Patches with a Single Image (Student Abstract)

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Abstract

Deep neural networks have been shown vulnerable to adversarial patches, where exotic patterns can result in model’s wrong prediction. Nevertheless, existing approaches to adversarial patch generation hardly consider the contextual consistency between patches and the image background, causing such patches to be easily detected by human observation. Additionally, these methods require a large amount of data for training, which is computationally expensive. To overcome these challenges, we propose an approach to generate adversarial yet inconspicuous patches with one single image. In our approach, adversarial patches are produced in a coarse-to-fine way with multiple scales of generators and discriminators. The selection of patch location is based on the perceptual sensitivity of victim models. Contextual information is encoded during the Min-Max training to make patches consistent with surroundings.

Introduction

In recent years, adversarial patch-based attack (Brown et al. 2017) are proposed. However, existing adversarial patches are usually ended being noticeable for the human observer because of their exotic appearance. In addition, existing methods (Brown et al. 2017; Liu et al. 2019) require a large amount of quality data for training, which is computationally expensive and time-consuming. Towards bridging research gaps mentioned above, we propose a GAN-based approach to generate Adversarial yet Inconspicuous Patches (AIP) trained from one single image. Our approach captures the most sensitive area of the victim image, and applies adversarial patches generated with well-crafted objective functions. The goals of AIP are (1) pioneering in crafting adversarial patches with only one image, and (2) evading human detection while keeping attacks successful.

Adversarial yet Inconspicuous Patches

AIP Framework

The overview of our framework is illustrated in Figure 1. Given a target image, an attention map with target model

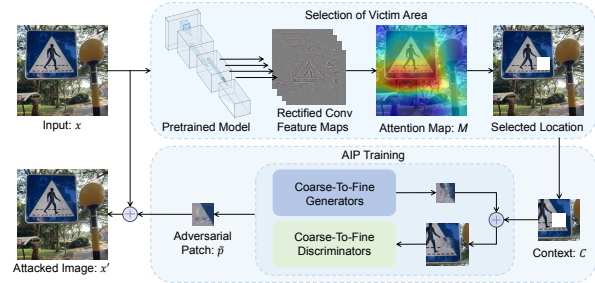


Figure 1: The overall framework of our approach.

is generated to capture the model’s sensitivity and decide the patch position. Then we deploy a series of generator-discriminator pairs $\{(G_0, D_0), \dots, (G_K, D_K)\}$, where K is the total number of scales in the structure shown in Figure 2. These generator-discriminator pairs are trained against an image pyramid of p and C . Correspondingly, the image pyramid is expressed as $\{(p_0, C_0) \dots (p_K, C_K)\}$, where p_i and C_i are downsampled version of p and C with a factor r^{K-i} ($0 < r < 1$). In every scale, we execute adversarial training for generators and discriminators. The generator G_i is expected to produce realistic patches, and the discriminator attempts to distinguish generated samples from p_i . Since our approach requires the generated patches to be consistent with original images, the input of discriminator is the surrounding context C_i with the intermediate patches p_i placed right at the center of context. During training, the background information will be encoded to the generator progressively. Some examples of generated AIP are shown in Figure 3.

Objective Functions

We take the i_{th} scale to elaborate the training details. We denote the output of G_{i-1} as \tilde{p}_{i-1} , then the input for G_i is

$$\tilde{p}_i = G_i(z_i, (\tilde{p}_{i-1})^\uparrow), \quad (1)$$

where $(\tilde{p}_{i-1})^\uparrow$ is the upsampled patch of \tilde{p}_{i-1} .

The GAN adversarial loss can be written as

$$\mathcal{L}_{GAN} = \mathbb{E}_{p_i \sim x} \log \mathcal{D}(p_i, C_i) + \mathbb{E}_{z_i \sim \mathcal{P}_z} \log(1 - \mathcal{D}(G(z_i, \tilde{p}_{i-1}), C_i)), \quad (2)$$

where \mathcal{P}_z is a prior for noises. The loss for fooling target

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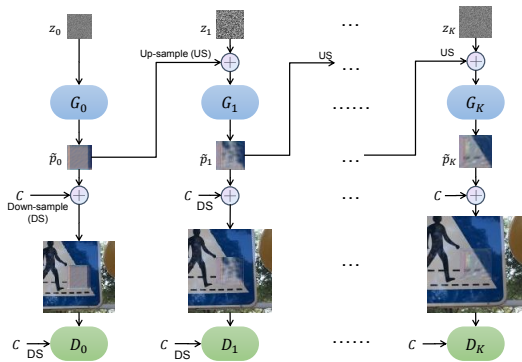


Figure 2: Structure of coarse-to-fine pipeline.

model f in untargeted attacks is

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{adv}}^f = \mathbb{E}_x \ell_f(x \oplus \bar{p}_i \uparrow^r, y), \quad (3)$$

where ℓ_f denotes the loss function used in the training of f , and y is the true class of x .

To stabilize the training of GAN, we add the reconstruction loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{rec}} = \|G_i(z_i, \tilde{p}_{i-1}) - p_i\|^2. \quad (4)$$

We also add a total variation loss

$$\mathcal{L}_{\text{tv}} = \sum_{a=0}^h \sum_{b=0}^w (|p_i^{(a+1,b)} - p_i^{(a,b)}| + |p_i^{(a,b+1)} - p_i^{(a,b)}|) \quad (5)$$

as a regularization term to ensure that the texture of generated patches is smooth enough. Finally, the full objective function in i_{th} scale can be expressed as

$$\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{L}_{\text{adv}}^f + \alpha \mathcal{L}_{\text{GAN}} + \beta \mathcal{L}_{\text{rec}} + \gamma \mathcal{L}_{\text{tv}}, \quad (6)$$

where α , β and γ are to balance the relative importance of each loss. Then we train our generator and discriminator by solving the min-max game as

$$\operatorname{argmin}_{G_i} \max_{D_i} \mathcal{L}(G_i, D_i). \quad (7)$$

Experiment Results

White-box and Black-box Attack

To assess the attack capability of the adversarial patches generated, we conduct experiments in white-box setting and black-box setting respectively. Our data are randomly sampled from ImageNet. Due to resource limitation, we first choose 10 classes from ImageNet, and sample 10 images in each class. For each image, 1000 patches will be generated. Results are shown in Table 1.

Human Observer Evaluation

We evaluate the risks of adversarial patches prone to human detection. We compete our synthetic patches with Google Patch (Brown et al. 2017) and PS-GAN (Liu et al. 2019) while including original images as the baseline. Note that in each background image, all the patches are attached in the same location for fairness. In total we collected 102 answer sheets and the rates of images that are labeled as patch-detected are summarized in Table 2.

	White-box		Black-box		
	Inception	Google	MNAS	Mobile	L2-Mobile
Persian Cat	100.00%	99.22%	85.62%	90.66%	80.33%
Zebra	98.53%	99.36%	85.58%	90.38%	74.40%
Balloon	99.52%	99.19%	79.68%	90.19%	82.70%
Desktop	99.72%	99.20%	82.23%	90.71%	77.86%
Table	99.95%	99.19%	86.13%	90.09%	87.09%
Hourglass	99.99%	99.20%	82.12%	90.59%	80.39%
Truck	99.97%	99.31%	85.34%	91.06%	75.65%
Street Sign	98.30%	99.21%	82.27%	90.10%	84.92%
Potpie	99.88%	99.30%	83.81%	90.85%	80.01%
Lakeside	99.91%	99.30%	84.00%	89.96%	71.85%
Average	99.58%	99.25%	83.68%	90.46%	79.52%

Table 1: White-box and Black-box attack success rates. The victim model under white-box is InceptionV3 and the victims under black-box are GoogleNet, MNASNet (multiplier of 1.0), MobileNetV2, and MobileNetV2 with L2 robust training ($\epsilon = 3$).



Figure 3: Some AIP examples. At first glance, most of the our adversarial patches are inconspicuous to observers.

Natural Image	Google Patch	PS-GAN	AIP
12.15%	93.63%	89.90%	36.96%

Table 2: Average percentage of images that users label them as *Synthetic Patch Detected*.

Conclusion

In this work, we propose an approach of GAN-based adversarial networks trained with only one image to produce adversarial patches. Our approach employs multiple scales of generators with discriminators to generate patches in a coarse-to-fine way. To equip our approach with stronger attacking capability, we consider the perceptual sensitivity of victim model by developing model attention mechanism. Through extensive experiments, our approach shows satisfying attack capabilities, black-box transferabilities, and good performance to evade detection in human evaluation.

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