

Weighted Average Precision: Adversarial Example Detection for Visual Perception of Autonomous Vehicles

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- Neural network-based object detection models are widely employed in autonomous driving perception systems.
- Control successors are highly dependent on the outputs of object detectors. Thus, object detection needs to be reliable for safe autonomous driving.
- Neural network-based object detectors have been shown to be vulnerable to adversarial examples (AEs).
- By adding small perturbations to original images, AEs can deceive victim models, and result in incorrect outputs.
- Most existing studies, focusing on the detection of AEs in autonomous driving applications, either use simplifying assumptions on the outputs of object detectors or ignore the tracking system in the perception pipeline.



- We present a unified framework to bridge the gap between AE research and real-world autonomous driving systems.
- Our framework extends the AE detection mechanisms developed for image classifiers into the object detection domain by
 - designing a novel similarity distance metric to detect inconsistencies between dense object detection results of two video frames, and
 - adding temporal information into the detection pipeline to further improve accuracy



It has been shown that the robustness of DNNs to local changes (e.g., squeezing, scale, position) does not generalize to the perturbations added by AEs [1,2,3].

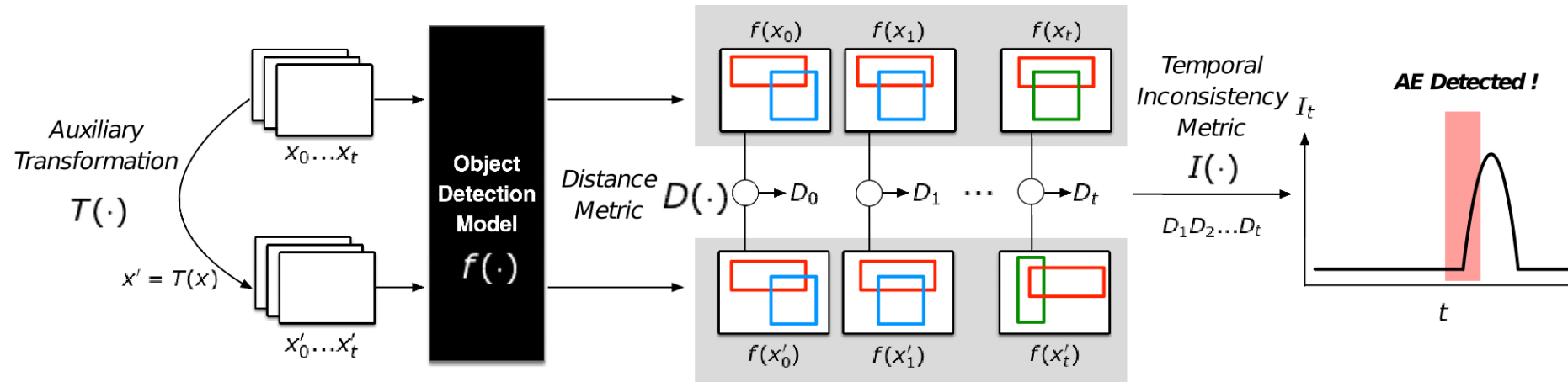


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- For each frame x_t from time t , a transformed image x'_t is generated using an auxiliary transformation $T(x_t)$. If x_t is an AE, it is highly likely that the object detection result $f(x_t)$ will be very different from that of $f(x'_t)$.
- Traditional mAP is not suitable for perturbation-based AE detection.
- We propose a novel distance metric, referred to as the weighted average precision (wAP), to compute $D(\cdot)$.



- In the pseudocode, x and y refer to the object detection results from the original image and its transformation, respectively.
- x is considered as the ground truth.
- Based on the IoU value between the bounding boxes of x and y , and an overlap threshold ($MIN_{overlap}$), all bounding boxes are classified into true positive (TP), false positive (FP) and false negative (FN) sets.
- $\mathcal{F}(m) = \frac{m}{m+a}$ is a weight function, which makes small bounding boxes contribute less.
- $\mathcal{DA}(A,B) = (A-B) \cup (B-A)$ is the sum of the different areas.

Algorithm 1: Frame-wise Distance Metric $D(x, y)$

Data: x : {bounding boxes, confidence score, object class},
 y : {bounding boxes, confidence score, object class}

$tp = []$; $fn = []$;

for $i \leftarrow 0$ to N_x **do**

for $j \leftarrow 0$ to N_y **do**

$IoU_{ij} \leftarrow getIoU(x_i.bbox, y_j.bbox)$;

if $IoU_{ij} > MIN_{overlap}$ && $x_i.cl == y_j.cl$ **then**

tp append (i, j) ;

break;

end

end

fn append i ;

end

$fp = \{0, 1, \dots, N_y\}$;

for $i \leftarrow 0$ to N_{tp} **do**

del $fp[tp[i,1]]$;

end

$$D_{tp} = \frac{\sum_{(i,j) \in tp} \mathcal{F}(\mathcal{DA}(x_i.bbox, y_j.bbox))}{A_y + A_x} + \gamma_{cs} \sum_{(i,j) \in tp} |$$

$$cs_{x_i} - cs_{y_j} | ;$$

$$D_{fp} = \frac{\sum_{i \in fp} \mathcal{F}(A_{y_i})}{A_y} + \gamma_{cs} \sum_{i \in fp} cs_{y_i} ;$$

$$D_{fn} = \frac{\sum_{i \in fn} \mathcal{F}(A_{x_i})}{A_x} + \gamma_{cs} \sum_{i \in fn} cs_{x_i} ;$$

$$D_{error} = \frac{len(fp) + len(fn)}{len(fp) + len(fn) + len(tp)} ;$$

$$D(x, y) = \frac{\alpha_{tp} D_{tp} + \alpha_{fp} D_{fp} + \alpha_{fn} D_{fn} + \alpha_{er} D_{error}}{\alpha_{tp} + \alpha_{fp} + \alpha_{fn} + \alpha_{er}}$$



- In a perception system, a tracker will be deleted if it cannot be associated to an object for a duration of R frames.
- Thus, in a set of R consecutive frames, AEs that can successfully attack all R frames are regarded as an effective attack.
- Intermittent attacks will likely fail, since trackers save information from the benign samples.
- Thus, we propose a temporal detection approach, which can be expressed as:

$$I(D_0 \dots D_t) = \prod_0^t (\mathbb{1}(D_i - \mu))$$

where $\mathbb{1}(\cdot)$ is the indicator function returning 1 if $(D_i - \mu) > 0$, and 0 otherwise, and μ is the threshold for the distance metric $D(\cdot)$.

Only when distance metric values for all R single frame attacks are higher than the threshold μ , the temporal metric $I(\dots)$ outputs a 1.



- Datasets: BDD10k [4] and Cityscapes [5]
- White-box attack: CW_{inf} [6]
- Black-box attacks: Momentum Iterative Fast Gradient Sign Method (MIFGSM) [7], Translation Invariant Momentum Diverse Inputs (TI-DIM) [8], Momentum Diverse Inputs Fast Gradient Sign Method (DIM) [9] and Dispersion Reduction (DR) [10]
- Auxiliary image transformation $T(\cdot)$: Bit-wise squeeze[11]
- Object detector: Yolo-v3 [12]
- Baseline metrics: mAP, mIoU

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- We compute the distance $D()$ between an input image and its version transformed with $T()$, and use a threshold to decide whether the image is an AE.
- In 38 out of 40 experiment configurations, including black-box and white-box attacks, our approach achieves higher AE detection accuracy.

Accuracy(%)	Attack method	Squeeze method	Bdd10k			Cityscapes		
			mAP	mIoU	wAP (ours)	mAP	mIoU	wAP (ours)
C&W	bit4		59.95	62.76	64.55	71.20	65.84	69.47
	bit5		67.35	67.62	68.87	72.24	71.99	74.05
	bit6		68.18	71.82	71.60	73.68	74.10	74.18
	bit7		69.41	71.79	72.28	73.68	73.27	73.93
DR	bit4		68.43	63.15	73.50	56.51	62.20	66.39
	bit5		70.84	69.62	75.14	59.03	65.09	71.46
	bit6		70.67	72.10	75.65	67.91	68.74	72.63
	bit7		71.33	72.75	73.20	65.72	67.29	72.53
MI-FGSM	bit4		68.02	61.23	73.21	71.20	62.15	74.20
	bit5		65.05	66.86	69.43	71.78	67.22	75.00
	bit6		69.80	70.99	72.17	70.78	69.21	72.12
	bit7		68.28	72.19	72.90	72.18	69.04	72.92
TI-DIM	bit4		68.07	61.54	73.62	69.71	60.96	73.45
	bit5		67.47	68.09	69.43	67.29	65.42	71.41
	bit6		68.78	70.47	72.38	66.37	69.06	71.75
	bit7		69.87	71.83	72.39	65.97	68.74	72.70
DIM	bit4		69.20	59.90	72.75	70.76	62.6	74.94
	bit5		64.54	67.63	69.28	69.16	67.44	70.88
	bit6		68.36	71.48	71.91	70.70	69.81	72.50
	bit7		69.72	71.00	71.88	68.66	69.26	72.03

Table 1



The state-of-the-art temporal attack can successfully attack a tracking system in 3 consecutive frames [13]. Thus, for this experiment, we set the number of frames for temporal consistency to $i = 3$. We randomly chose multiples of 3 consecutive frames from videos to insert AEs. Since these intervals can overlap or neighbor each other, the number of consecutive AEs can be greater than or equal to 3. As seen in Tab. 2, our proposed temporal wAP-based detection provides the highest AE detection accuracy for all the attack methods.

Attack method	Single Frame			Temporal		
	mAP	mIoU	wAP (proposed)	mAP	mIoU	wAP (proposed)
C&W	69.41	71.79	72.28	93.40	89.80	97.60
DR	71.33	72.75	73.20	84.20	90.20	91.20
MI-FGSM	68.28	72.19	72.90	88.20	94.20	97.20
TI-DIM	69.87	71.83	72.39	88.80	94.60	97.40
DIM	69.72	71.00	71.88	86.77	91.72	95.94

Table 2

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- We have proposed a new weighted average precision (wAP) distance metric.
- We also proposed a temporal consistency method to improve the detection of AEs for object detection in autonomous driving perception systems.
- The proposed wAP metric focuses on bounding boxes in individual images and can be applied to a sequence of frames to fit into a tracking system.
- The evaluation on two different dataset with different attacks shows that the proposed pipeline greatly enhances the AE detection performance compared to the mAP-based and mIoU-based baselines.





Thank you!

