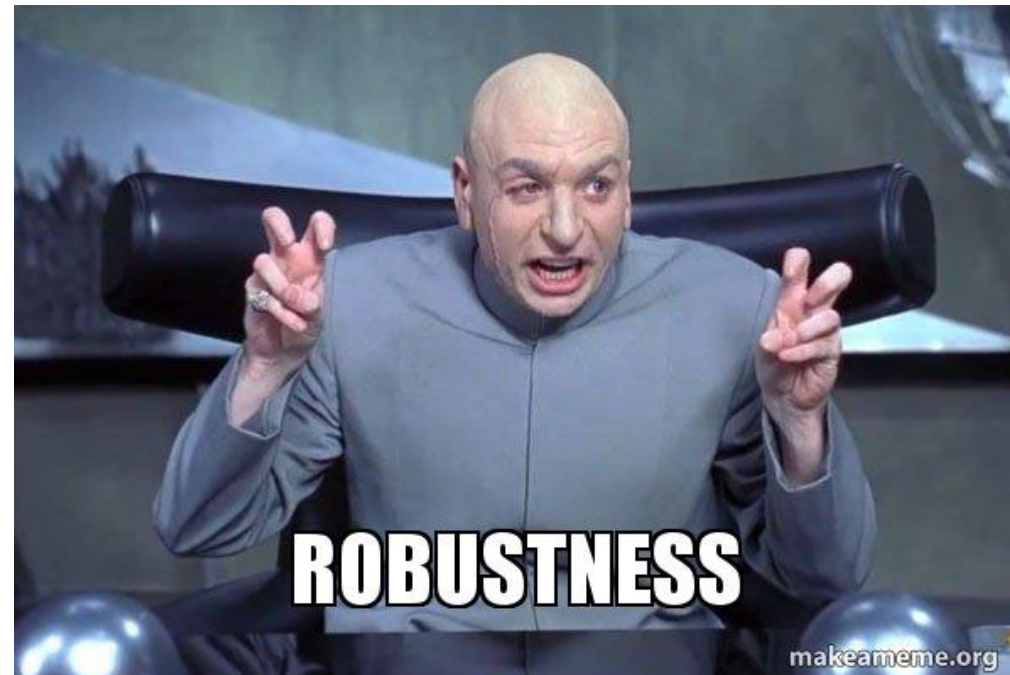


Lecture 20b

Robustness in Computer Vision



Machine Learning: The Success Story



IS "DEEP LEARNING" A REVOLUTION IN ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE?



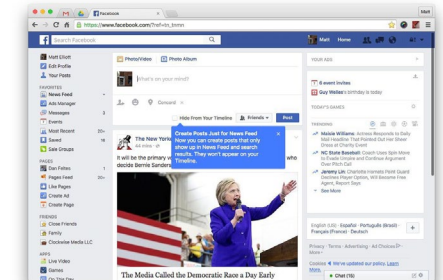
Andrew Ng ✓
@AndrewYNg

"AI is the new electricity!" Electricity transformed countless industries; AI will now do the same.

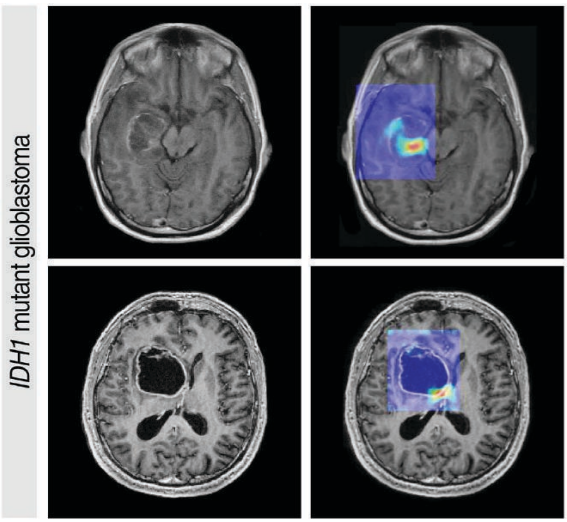
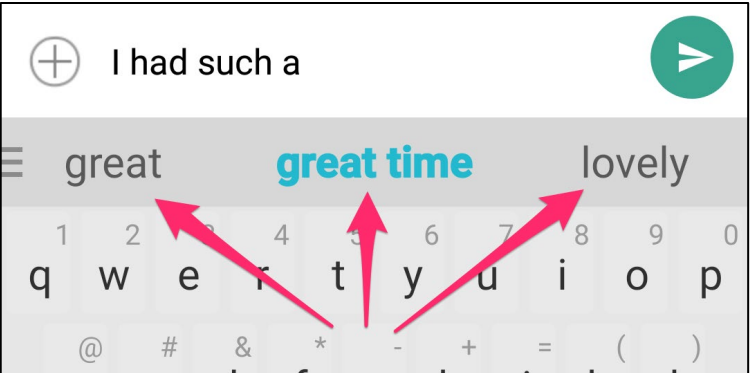
do the same.

2016: The Year That Deep Learning Took Over the

WHY DEEP LEARNING IS SUDDENLY CHANGING YOUR LIFE



Models that learn from data are embedded in our lives



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Recent advances have been rapidly adopted by common, non-expert users

DALL·E Now Available Without Waitlist

New users can start creating straight away. Lessons learned from deployment and improvements to our safety systems make wider availability possible.

[SIGN UP ↗](#)

The New York Times

THE SHIFT

An A.I.-Generated Picture Won an Art Prize. Artists Aren't Happy.

"I won, and I didn't break any rules," the artwork's creator says.

Forbes

FORBES > LEADERSHIP > CAREERS

Educators Battle Plagiarism As 89% Of Students Admit To Using OpenAI's ChatGPT For Homework

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Microsoft announces new Bing and Edge browser powered by upgraded ChatGPT AI

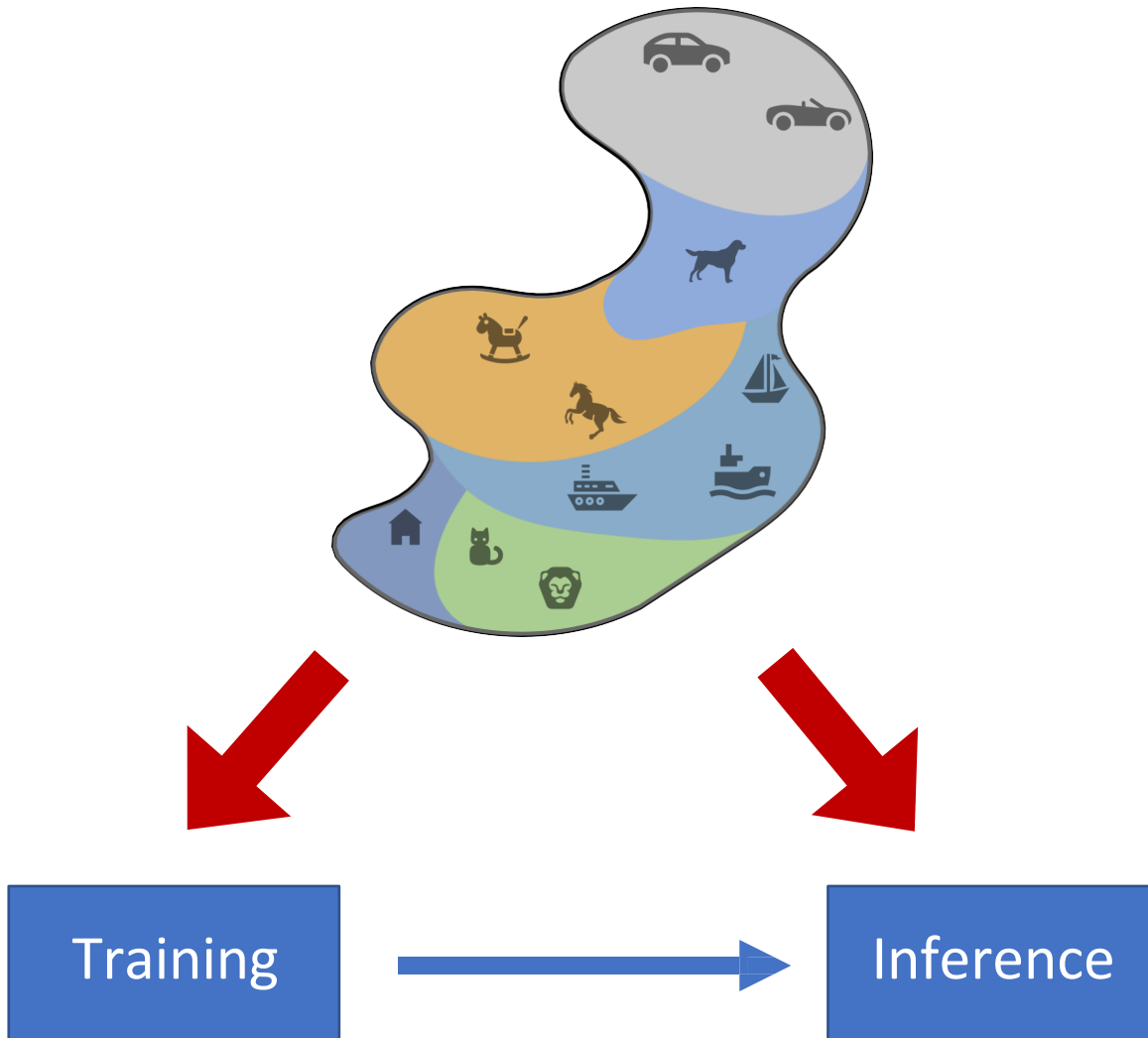
/ Microsoft says it's using conversational AI to create a new way to browse the web. Users will be able to chat to Bing like ChatGPT, asking questions and receiving answers in natural language.

But ...

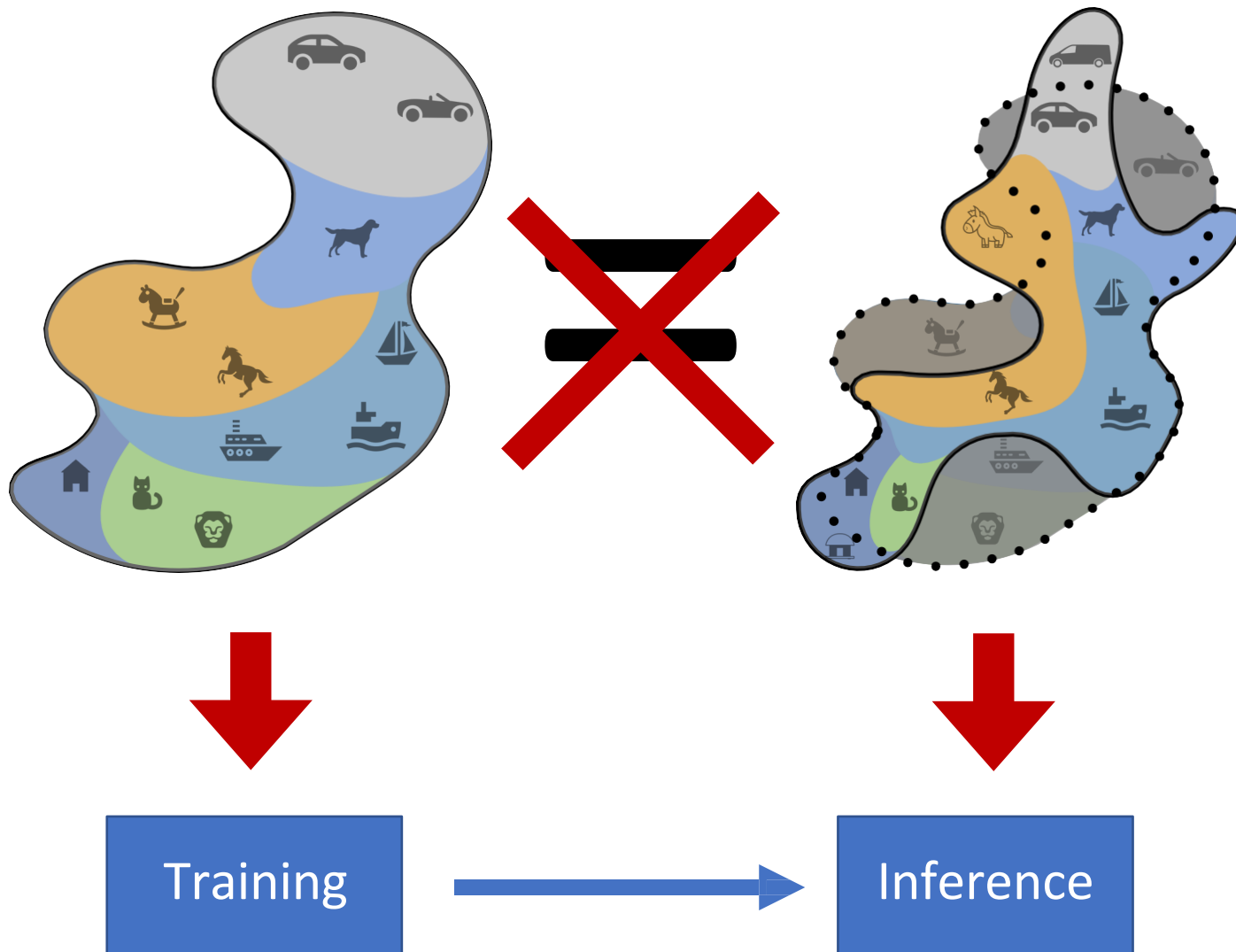
A Limitation of the (Supervised) ML Framework

Measure of performance:
Fraction of mistakes during testing

But: In reality, the distributions we **use** ML on are NOT the ones we **train** it on



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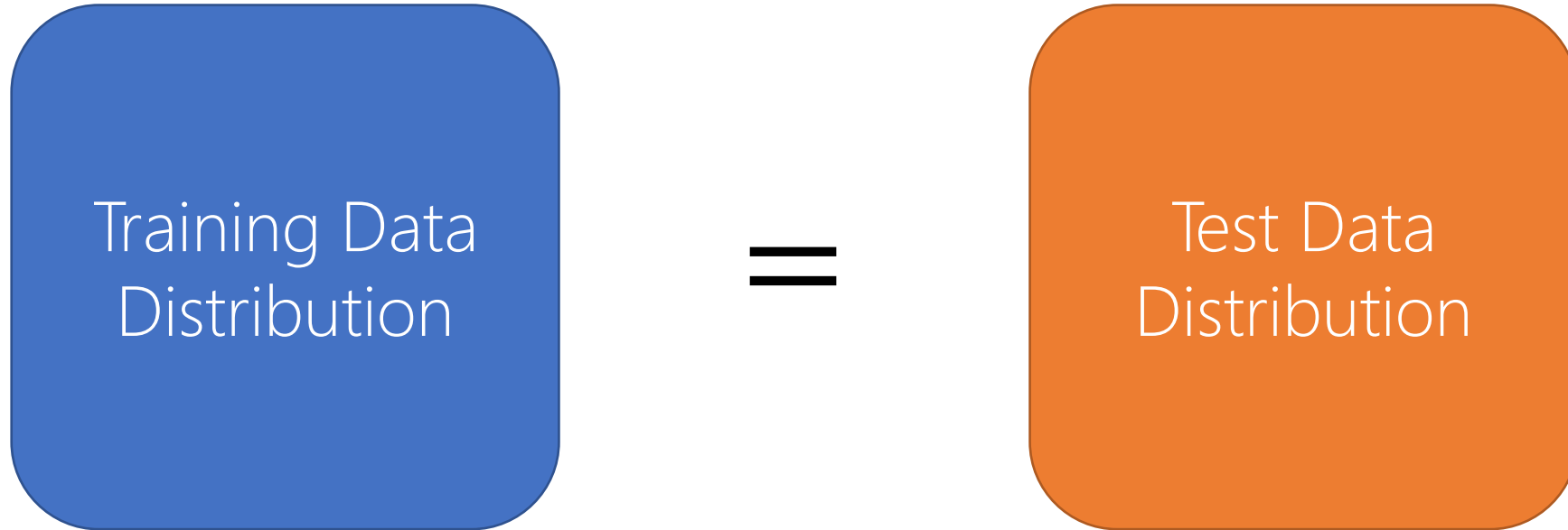


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What can go wrong?

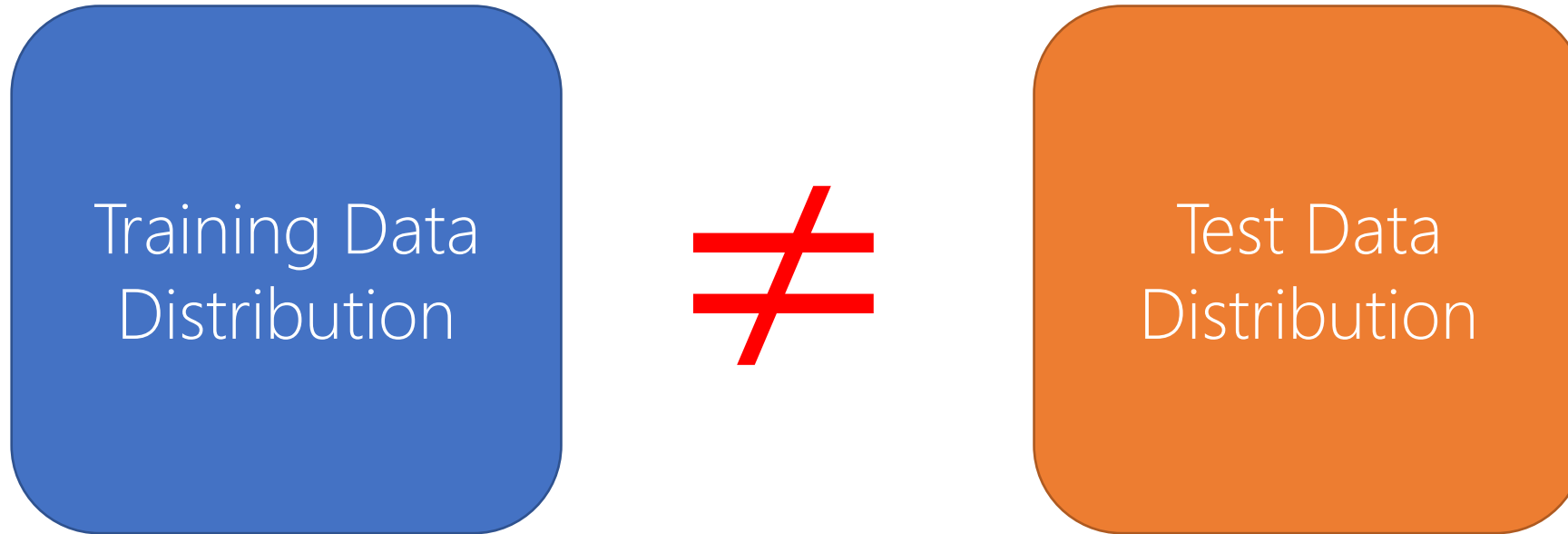
Standard *i.i.d.* Assumption in Machine Learning



"Independent and Identically Distributed"

Models learn useful patterns

Standard *i.i.d.* Assumption in Machine Learning



IID Assumption collapses in real-world “in-the-wild” settings
Model performance deteriorates

Robustness and Generalization

Findings from Previous Work

Poses can fool Image Classifiers



school bus 1.0 **garbage truck** 0.99 **punching bag** 1.0 **snowplow** 0.92

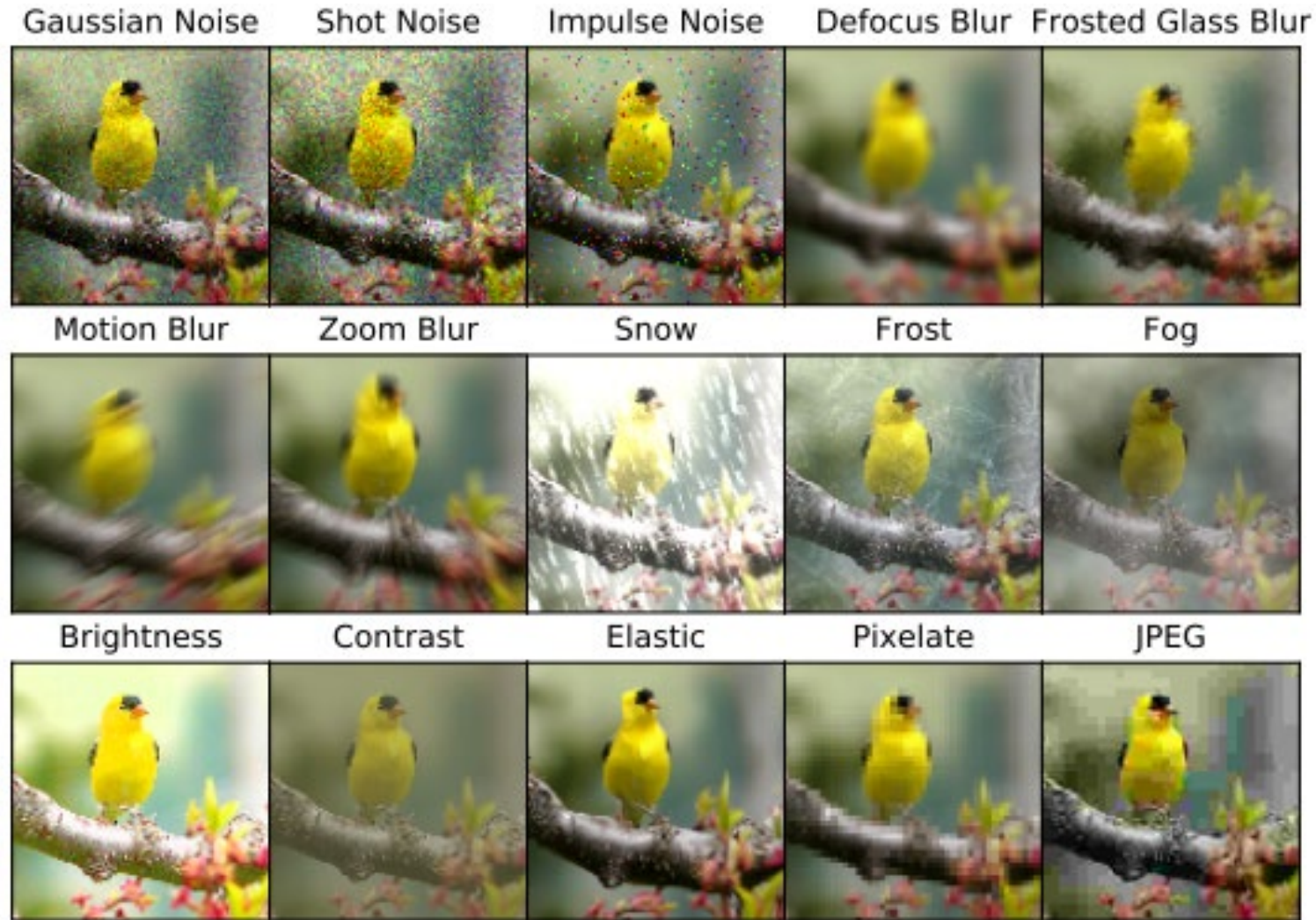
Poses can fool Image Classifiers

- **Goal:** correctly classify previously unseen test images.
- Statistical ML operates with the “i.i.d.” assumption
- But real-world test inputs are often NOT i.i.d. !!!
 - Poses can fool classifiers
 - Rotation
 - Translation
 - Scale
 - Occlusion
 - ...



school bus 1.0 garbage truck 0.99 punching bag 1.0 snowplow 0.92

Natural Corruptions affect accuracy



Spurious Correlations / Biased Datasets

Common training examples

Test examples

Waterbirds

y: waterbird
a: water
background



y: landbird
a: land
background



y: waterbird
a: land
background

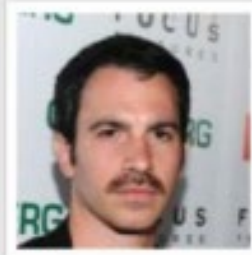


CelebA

y: blond hair
a: female



y: dark hair
a: male



y: blond hair
a: male



Lack of Diverse Data hurts Reliability

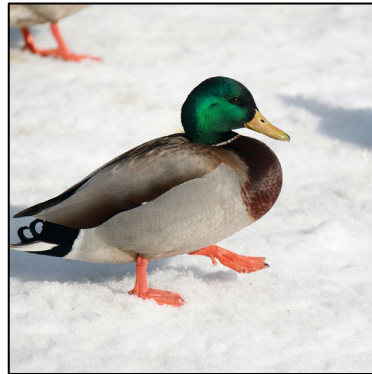
*Mallard
Water Background*



*Penguin
Snow Background*



*Mallard
Snow Background*



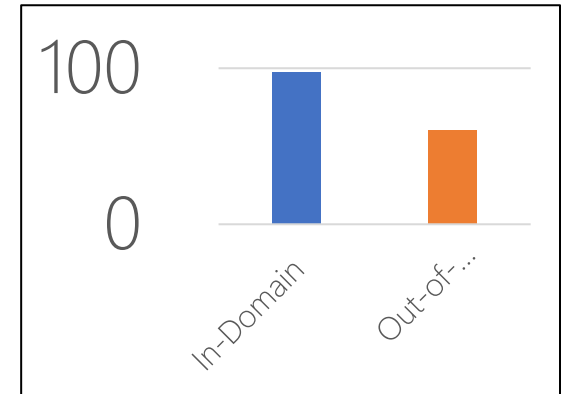
Training

ML Model

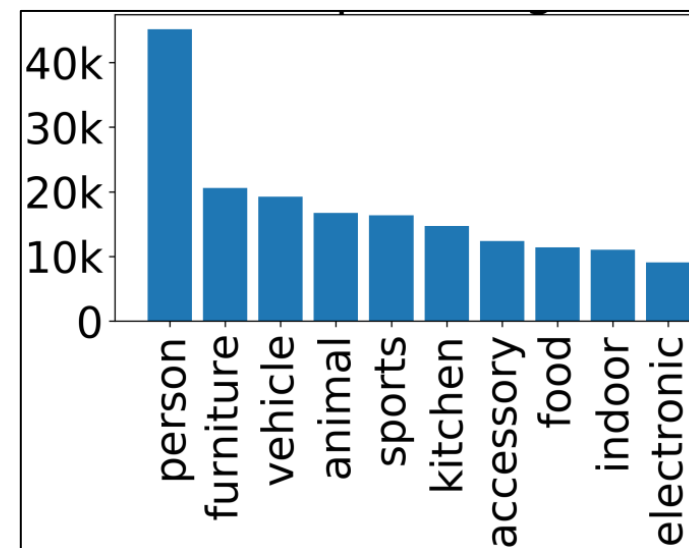
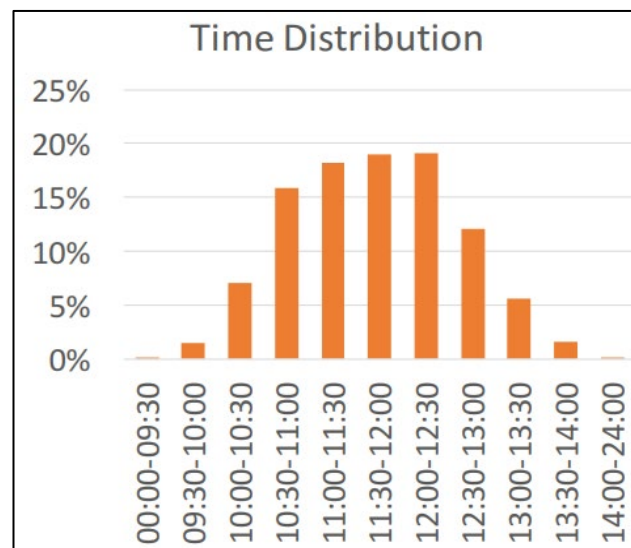
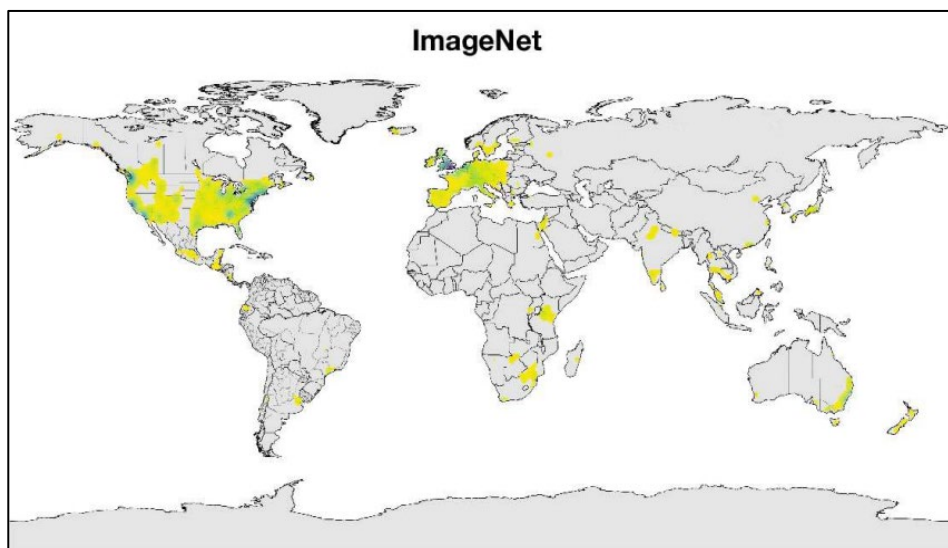
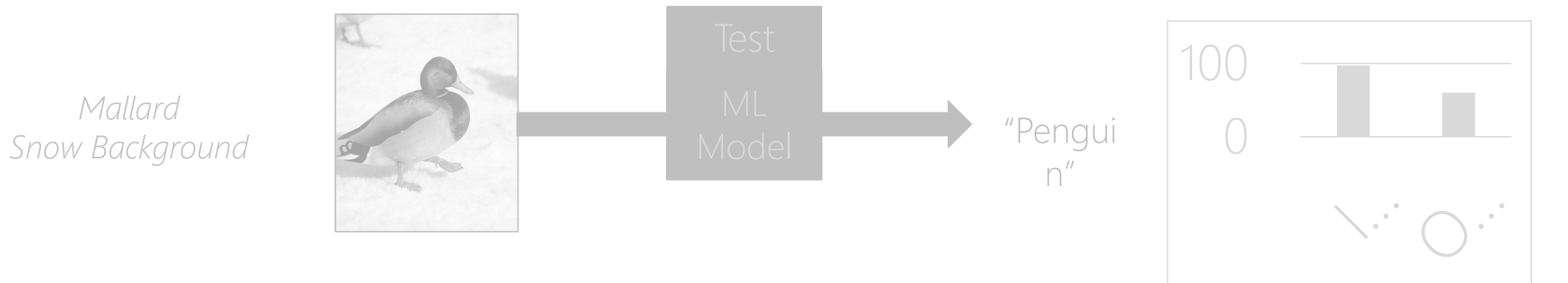
Test

ML Model

"Penguin"



Lack of Diverse Data hurts Reliability



Domain Shift is a Nuisance

Training

MNIST



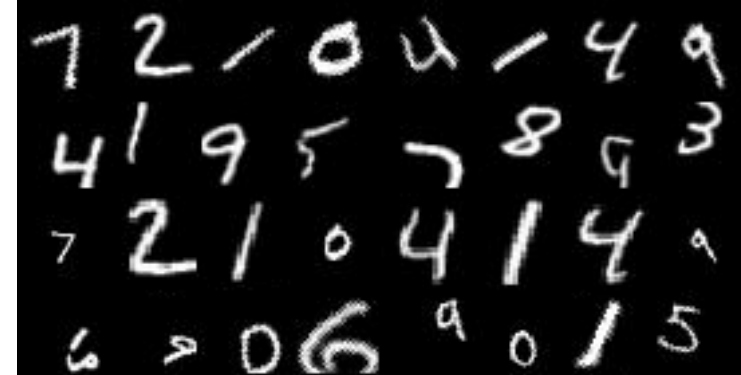
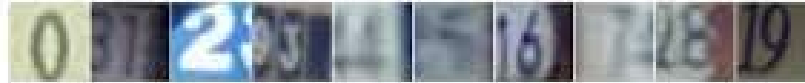
MNISTM



USPS



SVHN



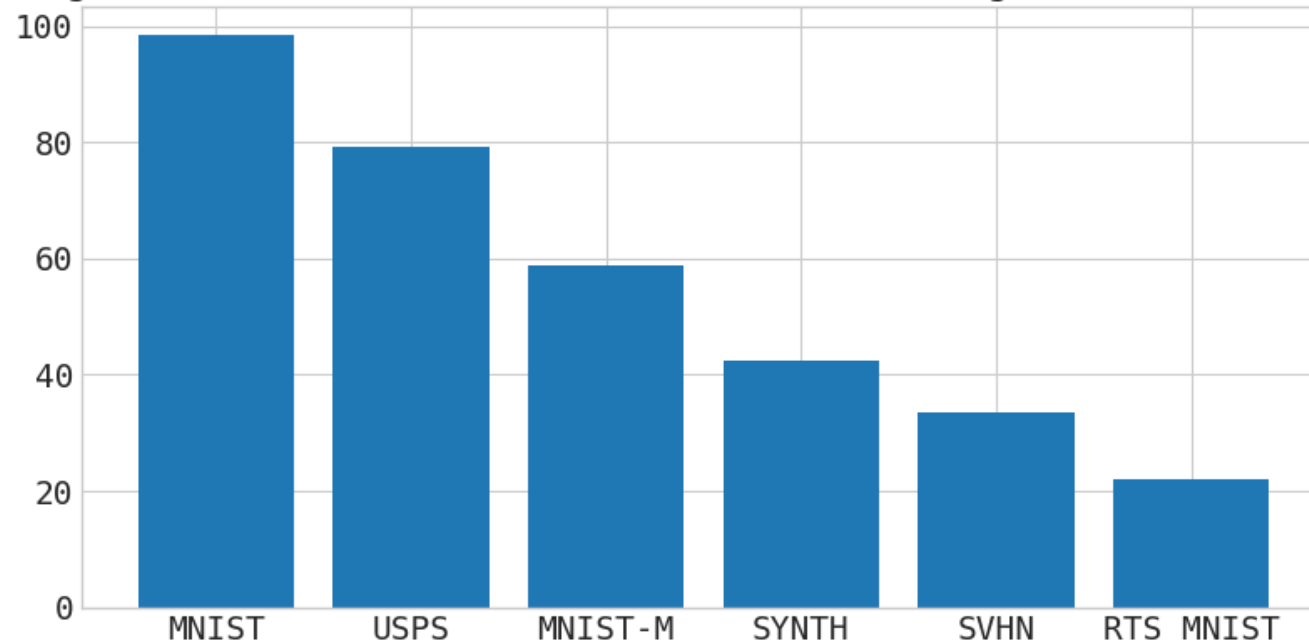
Rotation (-45, 45)

Translation (-10, 10)

Scaling (0.7, 1.3)

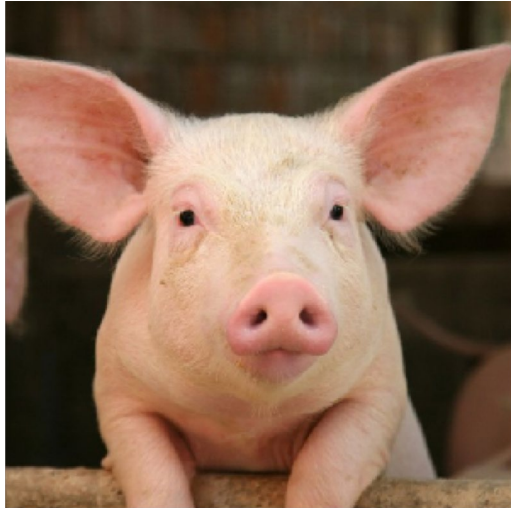
Random RTS

Single-Source Domain Generalization for Digit Classification



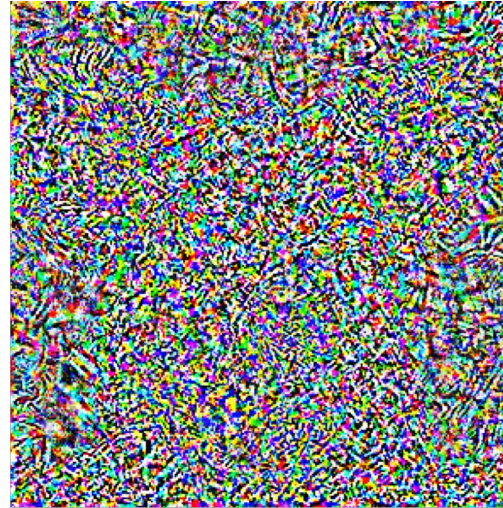
ML Predictions Are (Mostly) Accurate but Brittle

“pig” (91%)



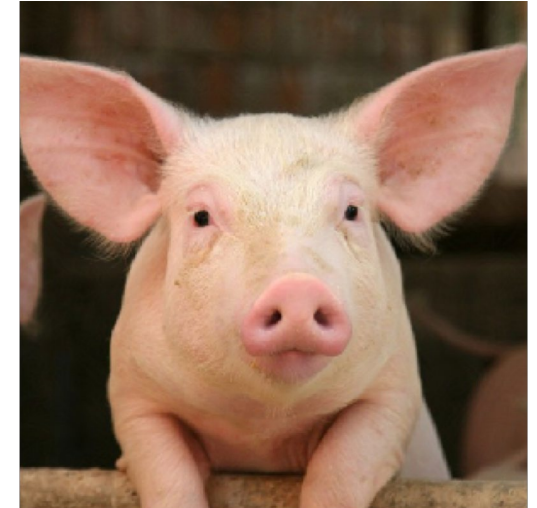
+ 0.005 x

noise (NOT random)



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“airliner” (99%)



[Szegedy Zaremba Sutskever Bruna Erhan Goodfellow Fergus 2013]

[Biggio Corona Maiorca Nelson Srndic Laskov Giacinto Roli 2013]

But also: [Dalvi Domingos Mausam Sanghai Verma 2004][Lowd Meek 2005]

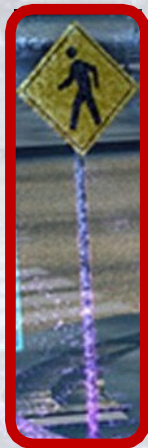
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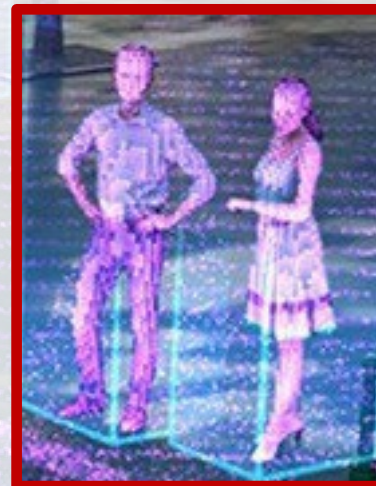
Biker



Pedestrian Sign



Persons



Biker



+ .007



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Small but carefully-crafted
adversarial perturbation

Green Traffic
Light

Adversarial
Perturbation Attack

Pedestrian Sign



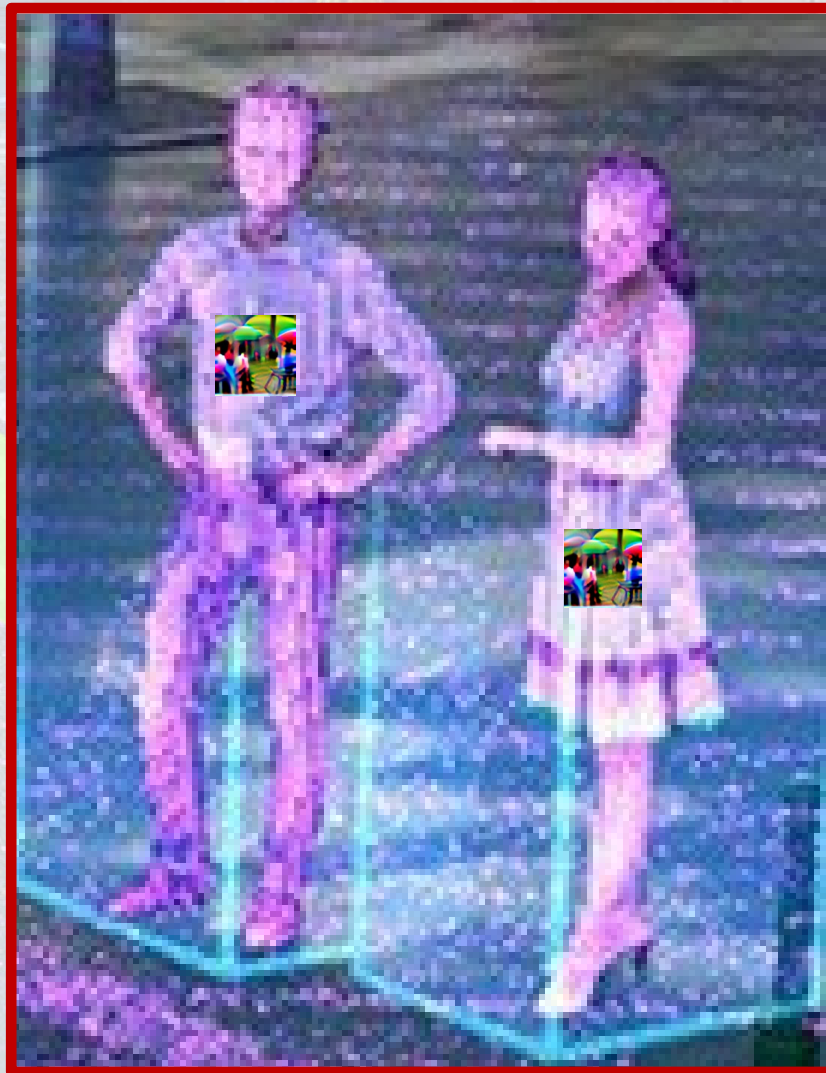
Speed Limit 45
Sign

**Adversarial
Rotation Attack**

No Person

Persons

**Adversarial
Patch Attack**



Adversarial Examples

- In 2014, one of the seminal papers of Goodfellow et al. shows that an adversarial image of a panda can fool the ML model to output “gibbon”, which started the area of adversarial ML

Original image



Classified as **panda**
57.7% confidence



Small adversarial noise



Adversarial image



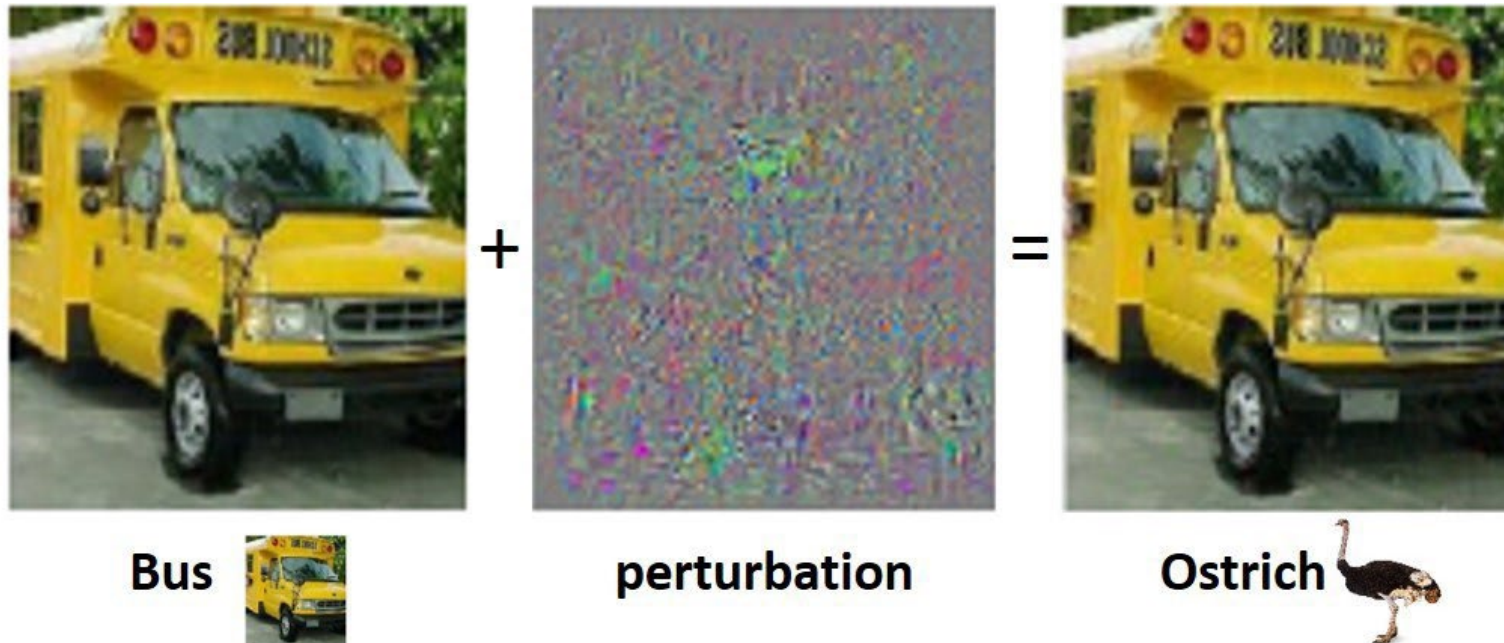
Classified as **gibbon**
99.3% confidence



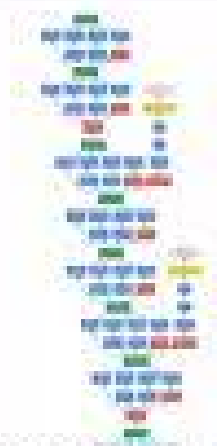
Gibbon

Adversarial Examples

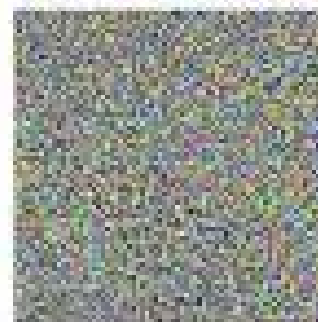
- Similar example, from Szagedy et al. (2014)



WHO WOULD WIN?



STATE OF THE ART
NEURAL NETWORK

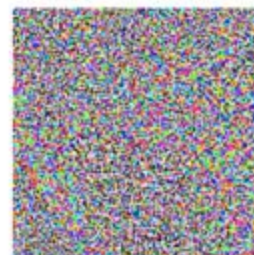


ONE NOISY BOI



x
"panda"
57.7% confidence

$+ .007 \times$



$\text{sign}(\nabla_x J(\theta, x, y))$
"nematode"
8.2% confidence

$=$



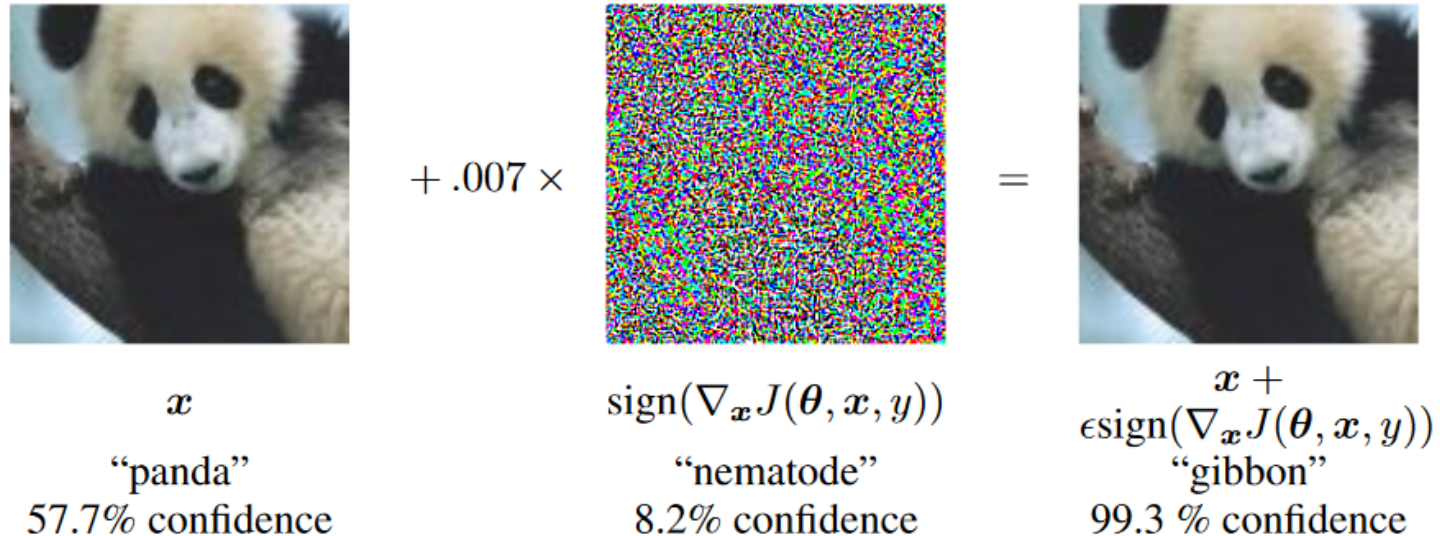
$x + \epsilon \text{sign}(\nabla_x J(\theta, x, y))$
"gibbon"
99.3 % confidence

Adversarial Attacks

Algorithms that can “find” perturbations to add to images, in order to fool classifiers

Given image x , find $g(x)$ s.t. $x + \epsilon g(x)$ fools classifier

Perturbations are typically norm-bounded



Adversarial Training

Leverages the concept of adversarial examples, in order to improve classifier robustness to such attacks

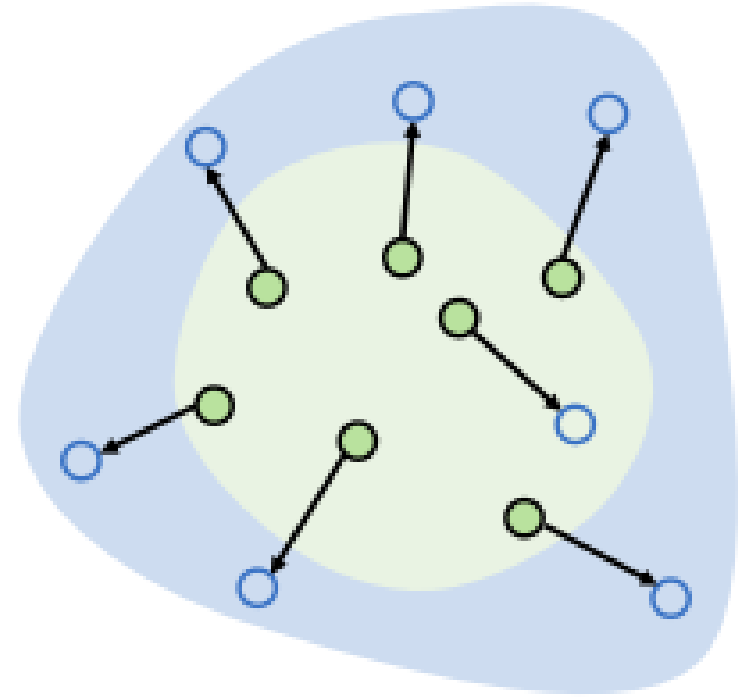
min—max optimization

maximization: find adversarial images

minimization: train classifier to correctly classify such images

norm-bounded perturbations

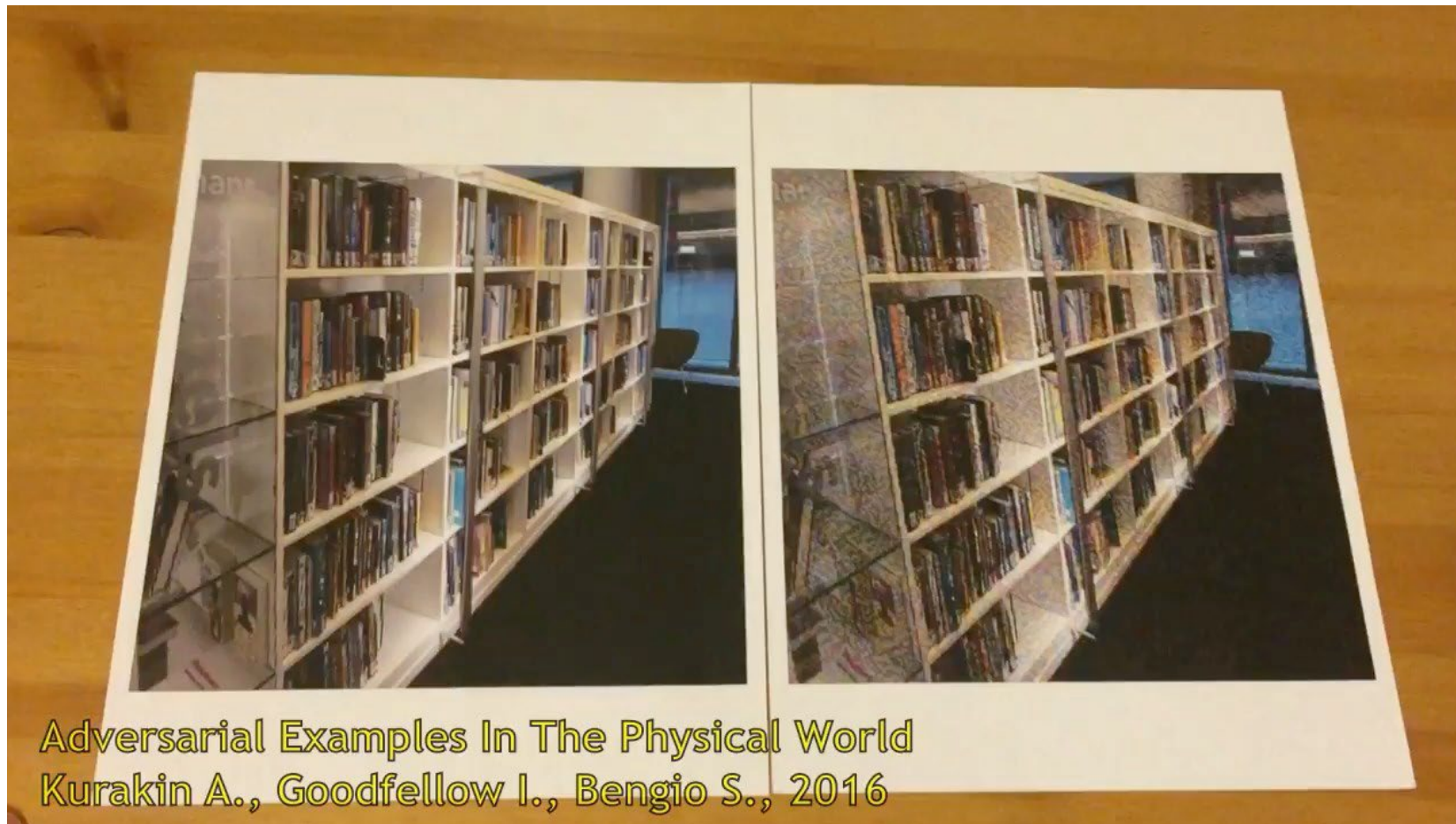
=> robustness within the norm-ball



$$\min_{\theta} \rho(\theta), \quad \text{where} \quad \rho(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{(x,y) \sim \mathcal{D}} \left[\max_{\delta \in \mathcal{S}} L(\theta, x + \delta, y) \right]$$

Physical-World Attack: Printed Adversarial Images

- Not only adversarial examples in the **digital** world, but **printed** adversarial images can also fool machine learning models

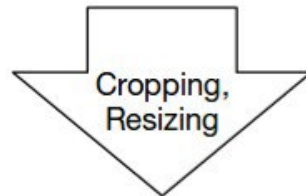


Physical-World Attack: Adversarial STOP Sign

- An example of manipulating a STOP sign with adversarial patches
 - **Methodology:** carefully design a patch and attach it to the STOP sign
 - Cause the DL model of a self-driving car to misclassify it as a Speed Limit 45 sign
 - The authors achieved 100% attack success in lab test, and 85% in field test

Lab (Stationary) Test

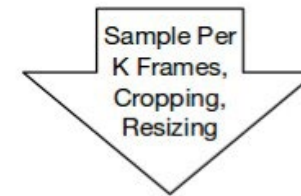
Physical road signs with adversarial perturbation under different conditions



Stop Sign → Speed Limit Sign

Field (Drive-By) Test

Video sequences taken under different driving speeds



Stop Sign → Speed Limit Sign

Physical-World Attack: Adversarial STOP Sign

- More examples of lab test for STOP signs with a target class Speed Limit 45

Distance/Angle	Subtle Poster	Subtle Poster Right Turn	Camouflage Graffiti	Camouflage Art (LISA-CNN)	Camouflage Art (GTSRB-CNN)
5' 0°					
5' 15°					
10' 0°					
10' 30°					
40' 0°					
Targeted-Attack Success	100%	73.33%	66.67%	100%	80%

Physical-World Attack: Adversarial Patch

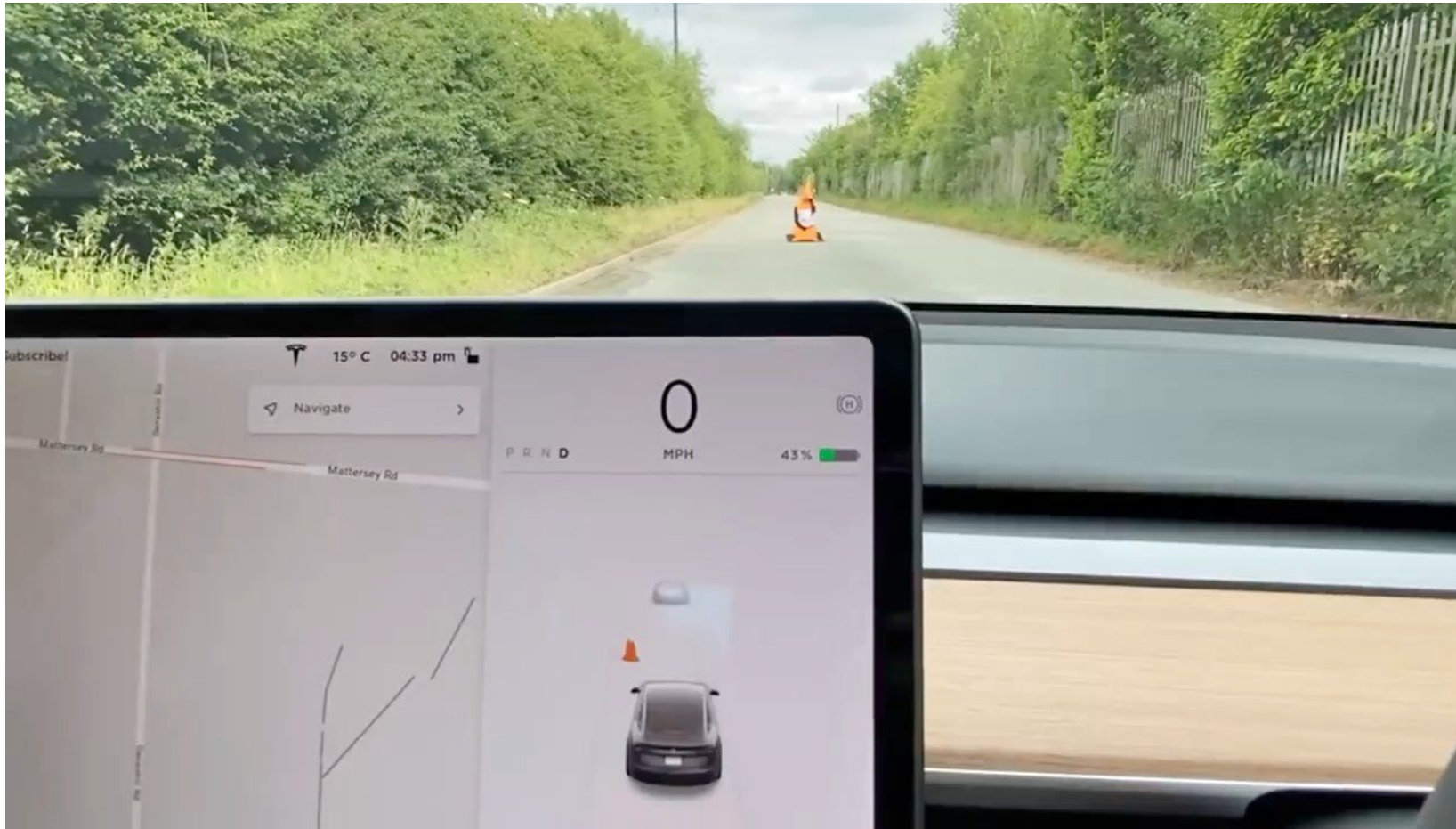
- Not only adversarial patch can fool a classifier, but also a SOTA detector
- An example of a person wearing an adversarial patch who cannot be detected by a YOLOv2 model
 - This can be used by intruders to get past security cameras



Thys et al. (2019) - Fooling automated surveillance cameras: adversarial patches to attack person detection

Physical-World Attack: Attack Tesla Autopilot System

- Non-scientific example: a Tesla owner checks if the car can distinguish a person wearing a cover-up from a traffic cone



Why should we care?

- People suffer consequences because of use in real-world systems
- Safety, security, trust in the systems that we engineer

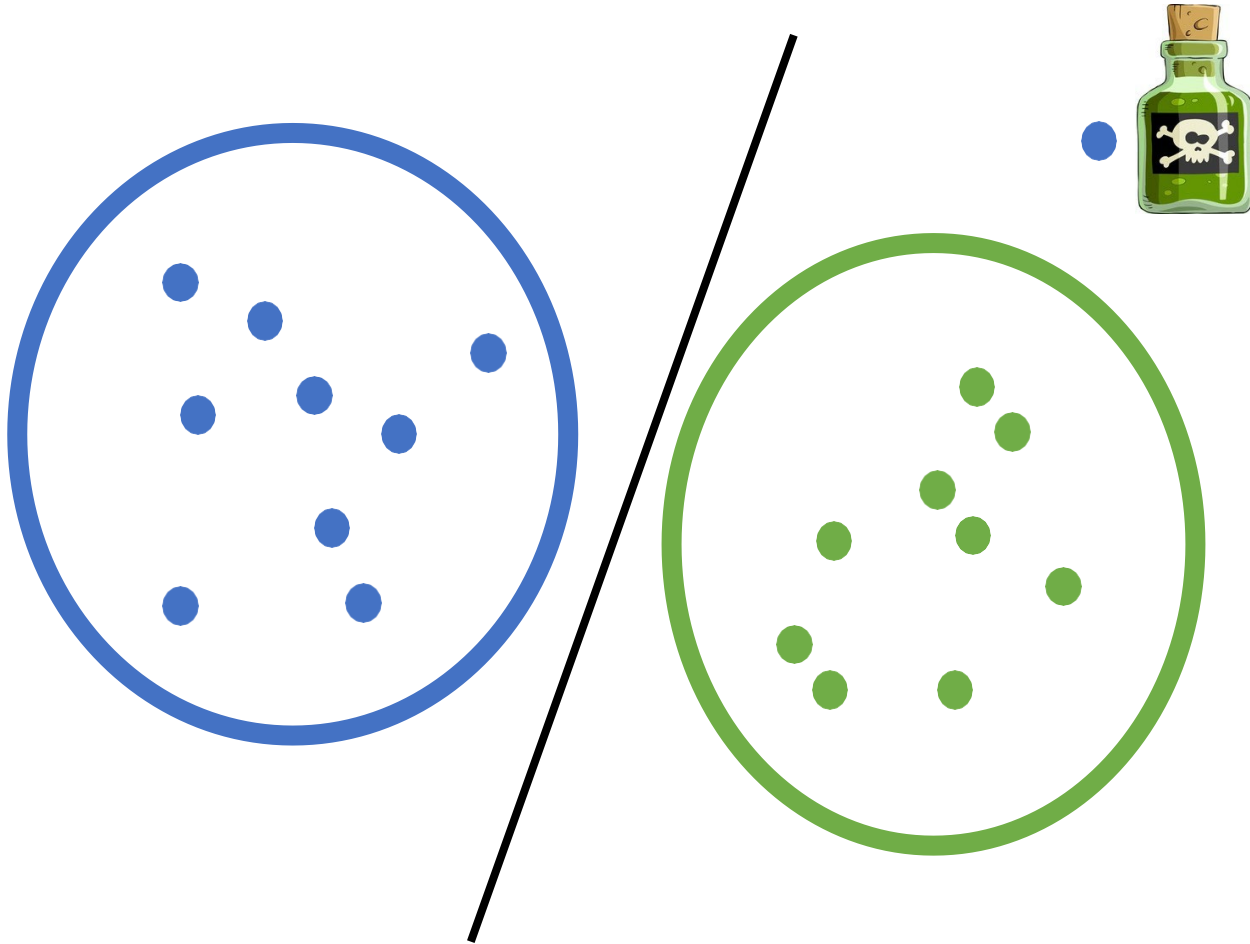


TECHNOLOGY

Feds Say Self-Driving Uber SUV Did Not Recognize Jaywalking Pedestrian In Fatal Crash

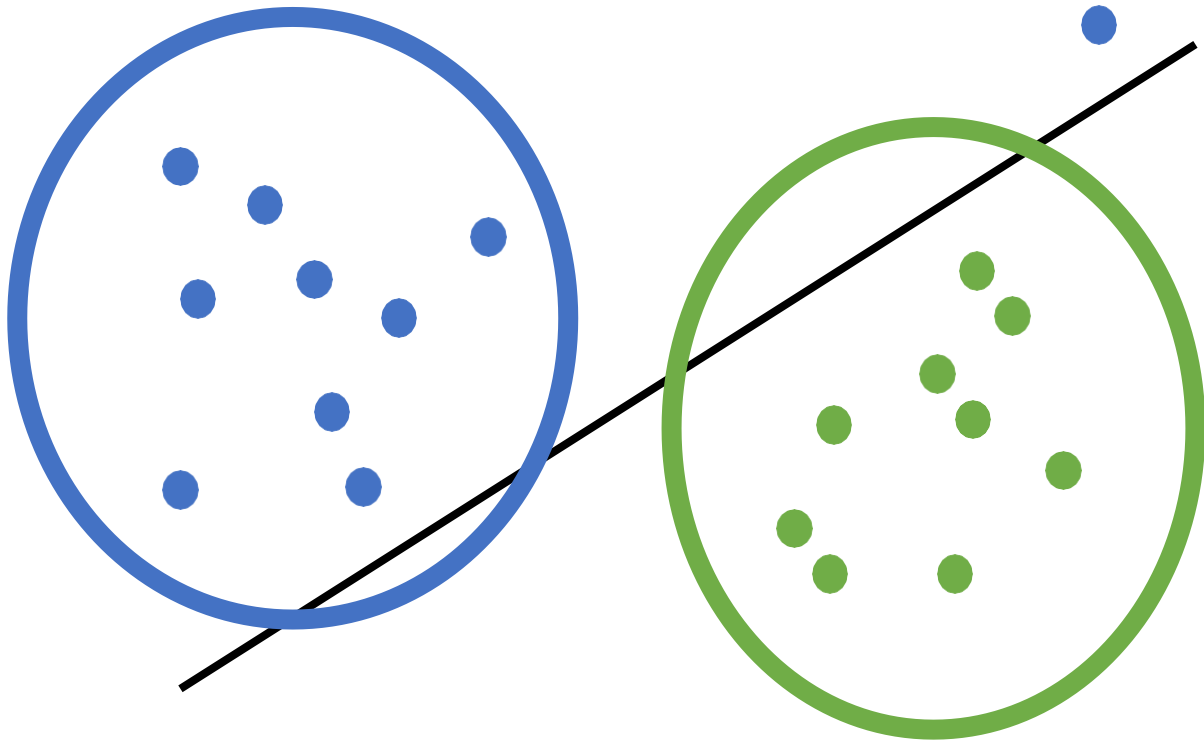
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Goal: Maintain training accuracy but hamper generalization



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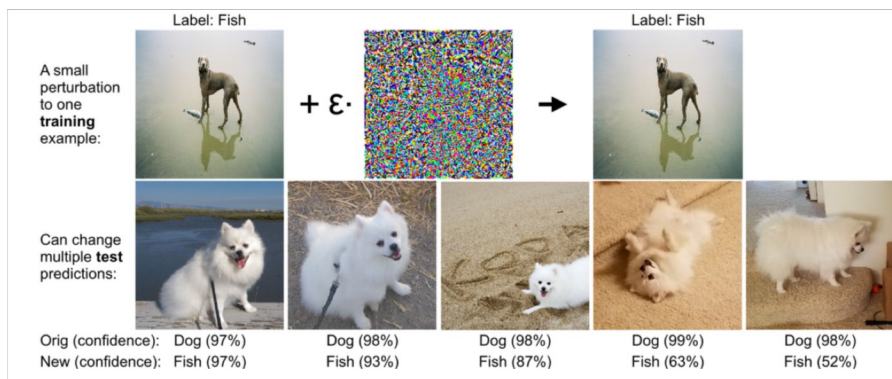


- Fundamental problem in “classic” ML (robust statistics)
- **But:** seems less so in deep learning
- **Reason:** Memorization?

Data Poisoning

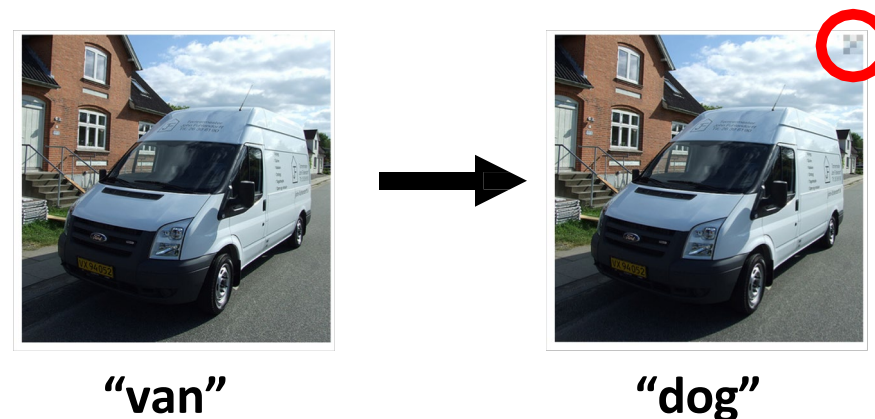
classification of **specific** inputs

Goal: Maintain training accuracy but hamper ~~generalization~~



[Koh Liang 2017]: Can manipulate **many** predictions with a **single** “poisoned” input

But: This gets (much) worse



[Gu Dolan-Gavitt Garg 2017][Turner Tsipras **M** 2018]:
Can plant an **undetectable backdoor** that gives an almost **total** control over the model

(To learn more about backdoor attacks:
See poster #148 on Wed [Tran Li **M** 2018])



We look at robustness math and methods
in detail in CMSC 475/675 Neural Networks ...

I've also taught a seminar class on "Robust ML"

Slides: <https://courses.cs.umbc.edu/graduate/691rml/>

