



## Learning to Generate Noise for Multi-Attack Robustness

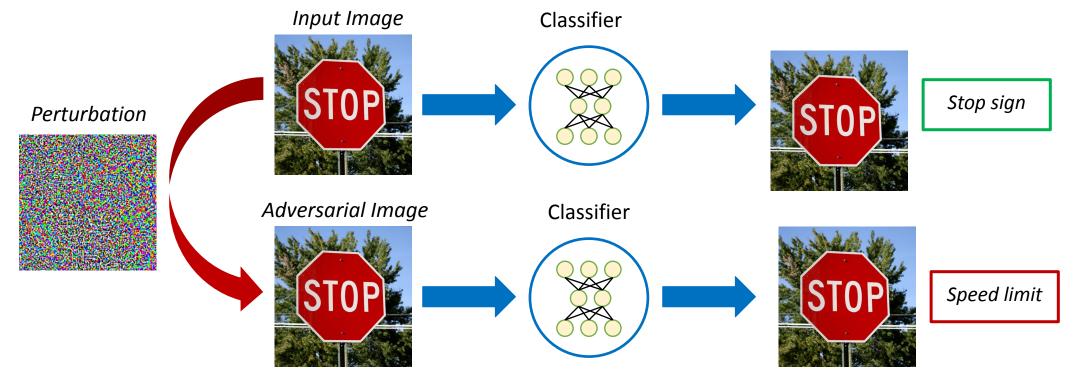
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### Motivation

Adversarial examples are carefully crafted *imperceptible examples* for misclassification.



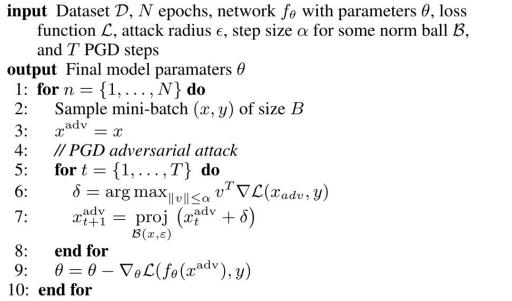
*Robustness and accuracy* of these networks is important for their deployment in *safety-critical applications*.

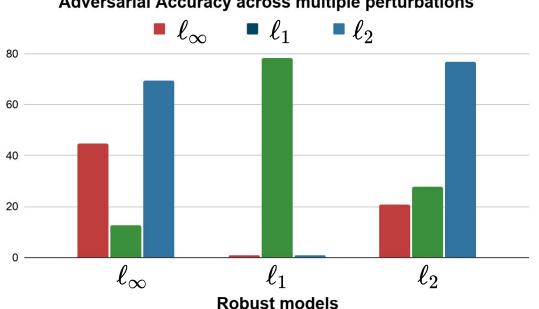


### **Motivation**

#### The standard adversarial training optimizes the network using a *min-max formulation* on a *single perturbation*.

Algorithm 1 PGD adversarial training





#### Adversarial Accuracy across multiple perturbations

However, single perturbation adversarial training is *not robust* against multiple perturbations.





## Related Work: Multi Perturbation Adversarial Training

Tramer et al. (2019) proposed optimization with the *worst/union* of all the perturbations.

1. Optimize the outer objective with strongest perturbation.

$$\min_{ heta} ~ \mathbb{E}_{(x,y)\sim\mathcal{D}}igg[ \mathrm{argmax}_k ~ \mathcal{L}_{\mathrm{cls}} \left( f_ heta \left( \mathcal{A}_k \left( x 
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2. Optimize the outer objective with all the perturbations.

$$\min_{ heta} ~ \mathbb{E}_{(x,y)\sim\mathcal{D}}rac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{k=n} \mathcal{L}_{ ext{cls}} \left( f_{ heta} \left( \mathcal{A}_k \left( x 
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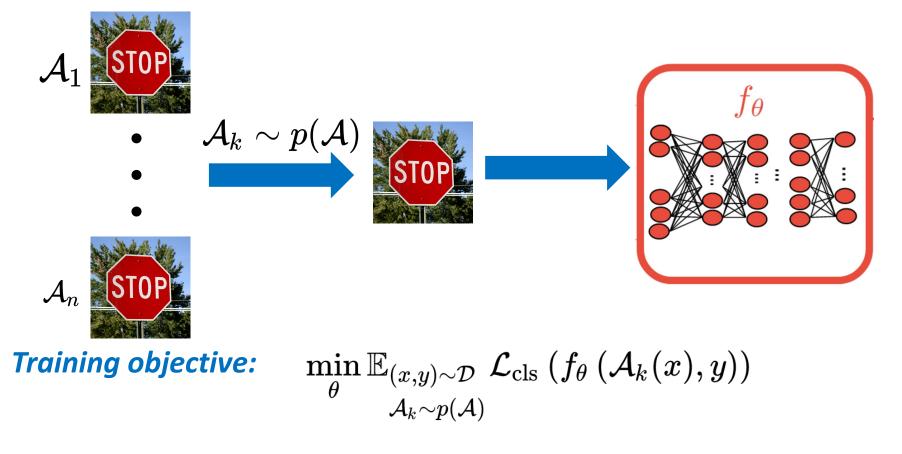
However, multiple perturbation training *increases* the training cost by a *factor of four* over single perturbation adversarial training.





### Stochastic Adversarial Training (SAT)

Our proposed SAT samples from a *distribution of attacks* during each episode of training, which *prevents overfitting* on a particular perturbation.

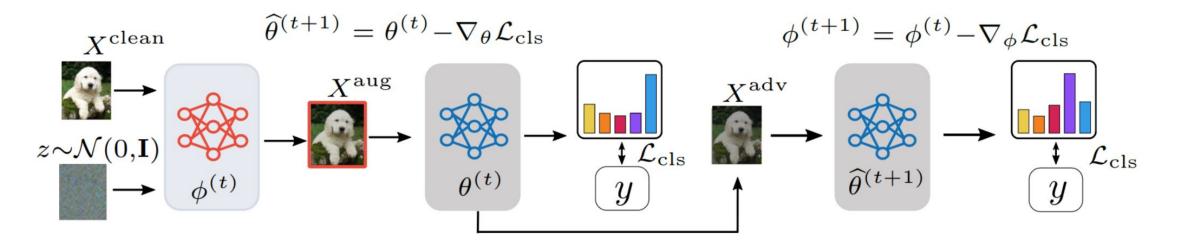






#### Meta-Noise Generator with Adversarial Consistency

MNG-AC meta-learns to generate *input-dependent stochastic noise* to improve model's robustness and *adversarial consistency* across multiple attacks.



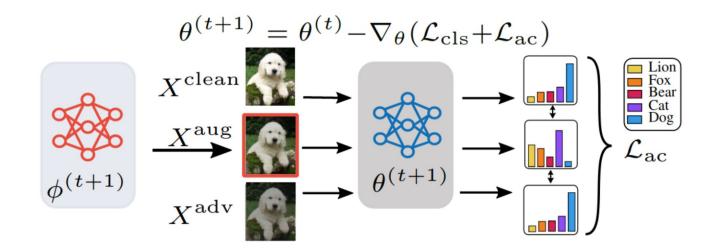
**Step 1:** Meta-learn the *input dependent noise-generator*  $\phi^{(t)}$  to defend against multiple adversarial perturbations.





#### Meta-Noise Generator with Adversarial Consistency

MNG-AC meta-learns an *input-dependent stochastic noise distribution* to improve model's robustness and *adversarial consistency* across multiple attacks.



**Step 2:** Update the classifier  $\theta^{(t)}$  with the **stochastic adversarial loss** and **adversarial consistency** regularization.





#### Dataset

#### We evaluate our model and baselines on three benchmark datasets.

CIFAR10 [Krizhevsky, 2012] A dataset with 60,000 images from *ten animal and vehicle classes*.



SVHN [Netzer et al., 2011] A dataset with 99289 of ten digits and numbers classes from *natural scene images*.



Tiny-ImageNet [Russakovsky, 2015] A *subset of ImageNet* dataset with 200 classes.



[Krizhevsky, 2012] Learning multiple layer of features from tiny images. University of Toronto 2012 [Netzer et al, 2012] Reading digits in natural images with unsupervised feature learning. Workshop on Deep Learning and Unsupervised Feature Learning, NeurIPS, 2011 [Ruakovsky, 2015] Imagenet large scale visual recognition challenge. International journal of computer vision, 2015



### Result on CIFAR-10 dataset

Our proposed *MNG-AC* outperforms the SOTA single-perturbation baselines.

Model	$Acc_{\mathrm{clean}}$	$\ell_\infty$	$\ell_1$	$\ell_2$	$Acc^{\mathrm{union}}_{\mathrm{adv}}$	$Acc^{\mathrm{avg}}_{\mathrm{adv}}$	Time (h)
Nat	94.7	0.0	4.4	19.4	0.0	7.9	0.4
$Adv_\infty$	86.8	44.9	12.8	69.3	12.9	42.6	4.5
$Adv_1$	93.3	0.0	78.1	0.0	0.0	25.1	8.1
$Adv_2$	91.7	20.7	27.7	76.8	17.9	47.6	3.7
TRADES $_{\propto}$	84.7	48.9	17.9	69.4	17.2	45.4	5.2
MNG-AC	81.5	42.2	55.0	71.5	41.6	56.2	11.2



#### Result on CIFAR-10 dataset

Our proposed *MNG-AC* outperforms the SOTA multi-perturbation baselines.

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$Adv_\infty$	86.8	44.9	26.2	55.0	25.6	41.9	4.5
$Adv_1$	93.3	0.0	80.7	0.0	0.0	26.8	8.1
$Adv_2$	89.4	28.8	54.2	65.8	28.6	49.6	3.7
TRADES $_\infty$	84.7	48.9	32.3	57.8	31.5	46.3	5.2
$Adv_{\mathrm{avg}}$	86.0	34.1	61.3	65.7	34.1	53.7	16.9
$Adv_{\max}$	84.2	39.9	57.9	64.5	39.7	54.1	16.3
MSD	82.7	43.5	54.3	63.1	42.7	53.6	16.7
MNG-AC	81.7	41.4	65.4	65.2	41.4	57.2	8.4

[Tramer et al., 2019] Adversarial Training and Robustness for Multiple Perturbations, NeurIPS 2019 [Maini et al., 2020] Adversarial Robustness Against the Union of Multiple Perturbation Models, ICML 2020



#### Result on SVHN dataset

#### Our proposed *MNG-AC* outperforms the SOTA multi-perturbation baselines.

Model	$Acc_{\mathrm{clean}}$	$\ell_\infty$	$\ell_1$	$\ell_2$	$Acc_{\mathrm{adv}}^{\mathrm{union}}$	$Acc^{\mathrm{avg}}_{\mathrm{adv}}$	Time (h)
Nat	96.8	0.0	9.4	3.8	0.0	4.5	0.6
$Adv_\infty$	92.8	46.2	8.2	30.2	8.1	28.3	6.2
$Adv_1$	92.4	0.0	77.2	0.0	0.0	25.7	11.8
$Adv_2$	93.0	21.7	44.7	62.9	21.0	43.1	6.1
TRADES $_\infty$	93.9	49.9	4.2	26.7	4.1	26.9	7.9
$Adv_{\mathrm{avg}}$	91.6	21.5	61.2	56.1	20.4	45.9	24.1
Adv <sub>max</sub>	86.9	28.8	48.9	56.3	28.8	44.7	22.7
MSD	81.8	34.1	43.4	54.1	34.1	44.0	23.7
MNG-AC	92.6	34.2	71.3	66.7	34.2	57.4	11.9





### **Results with Semi-Supervised Learning**

Our proposed MNG-AC *corroborates semi-supervised learning* to improve robustness.

Model	$Acc_{\mathrm{clean}}$	$\ell_\infty$	$\ell_1$	$\ell_2$	$Acc_{\mathrm{adv}}^{\mathrm{union}}$	$Acc^{\mathrm{avg}}_{\mathrm{adv}}$	Time			
CIFAR-10 dataset										
$RST_\infty$	88.9	54.9	36.0	59.5	35.7	50.1	73.5			
MNG-AC	81.7	41.4	65.4	65.2	41.4	57.2	8.4			
MNG-AC + $RST_{\infty}$	88.7	47.2	73.8	73.7	47.2	64.9	78.5			
		SVHN	dataset							
$RST_\infty$	95.6	60.9	3.5	28.8	3.5	31.1	81.0			
MNG-AC	92.6	34.2	71.3	66.7	34.2	57.4	11.9			
MNG-AC + RST $_\infty$	96.3	43.8	78.9	72.6	43.8	65.1	85.0			

[Carmon et al., 2019] Unlabeled Data Improves Adversarial Robustness. NeurIPS 2019





#### Component analysis

#### Our proposed MNG-AC *significantly improves* the SAT and AC baselines.

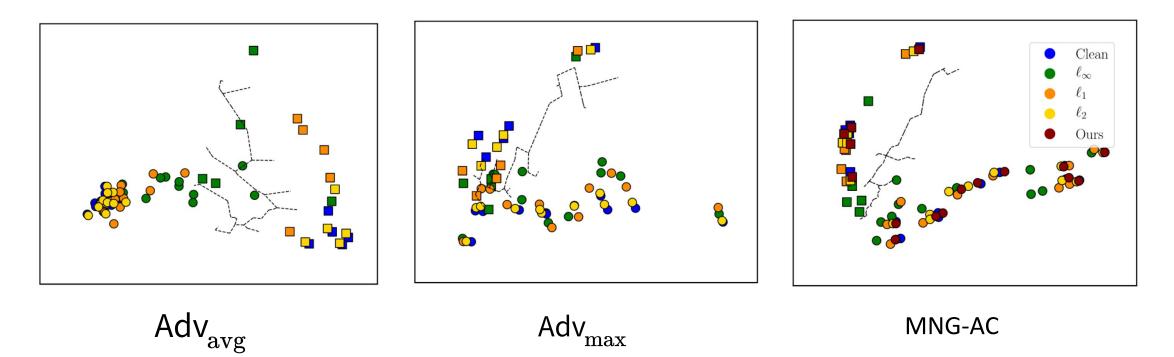
SAT	AC	MNG	$Acc_{clean}$	$\ell_\infty$	$\ell_1$	$\ell_2$	$Acc^{\mathrm{union}}_{\mathrm{adv}}$	$Acc^{\mathrm{avg}}_{\mathrm{adv}}$	Time		
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### Decision boundary visualization

Our proposed MNG-AC *pushes away the decision boundary* that in turn improves the overall robustness.





#### Conclusion

- We tackle the problem of *robustness against multiple perturbations* and the *computational overhead* incurred during multiple perturbations training.
- Meta Noise Generator with Adversarial Consistency (MNG-AC) explicitly meta-learns an *input-dependent noise* to minimize the *stochastic adversarial loss* and promote *adversarial label consistency* across multiple attacks.
- Results show that our model *pushes away the decision boundary, improves robustness against multiple perturbations* with *negligible training cost.*
- We believe that our paper can be a *strong guideline when other researchers pursue similar tasks in the future*.

Codes and pretrained models available at <a href="https://github.com/divyam3897/MNG\_AC">https://github.com/divyam3897/MNG\_AC</a>





# Thank you