Adversarial Machine Learning—An Introduction

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- Attack
  - Taxonomy
  - Capability

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Machine Learning (ML)

- Define ML Tasks
  - Supervised, semi-supervised, unsupervised, reinforcement learning
- Data Collection and Preprocessing
  - Sensors, camera, I/O, etc;
- Apply ML Algorithm
  - Training phase: Learn ML Model (Parameter and Hyperparameter Learning)
  - Testing (Inference) phase: Inference on unseen data.
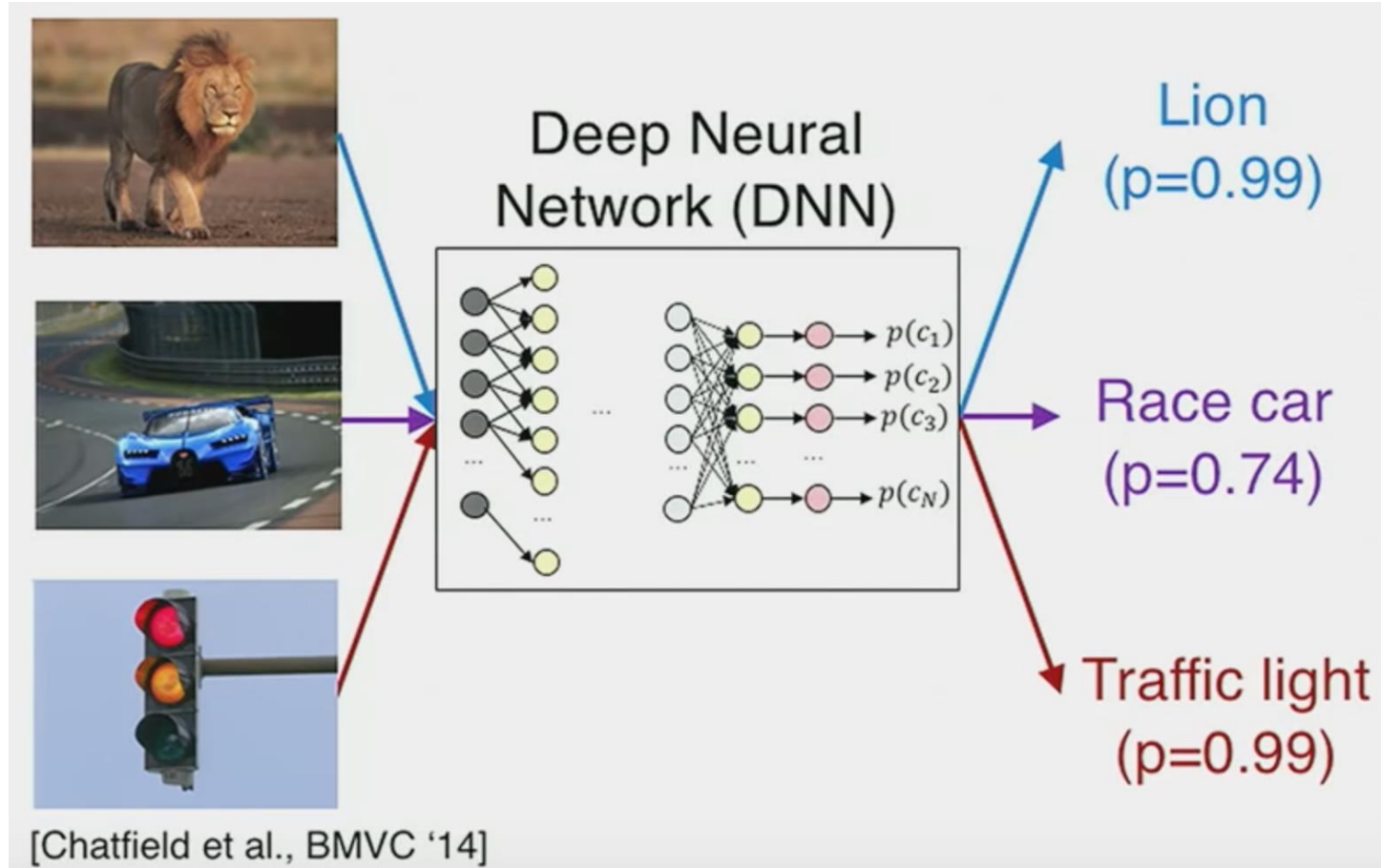- Theoretical Support: PAC Model of Learning

ML Is Ubiquitous

- Cancer diagnosis
- Self-driving cars
- Unmanned aerial vehicle
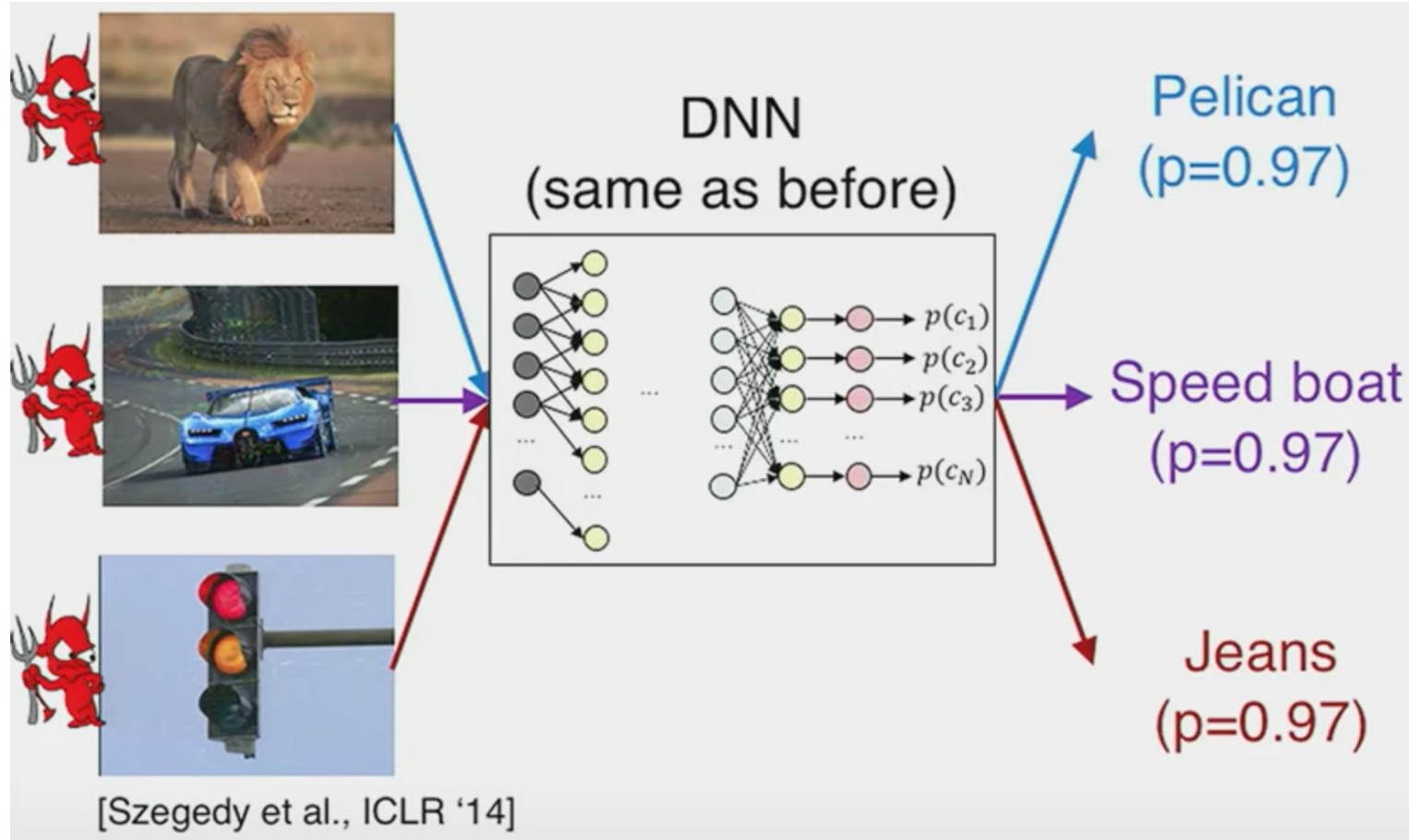- Surveillance and access-control
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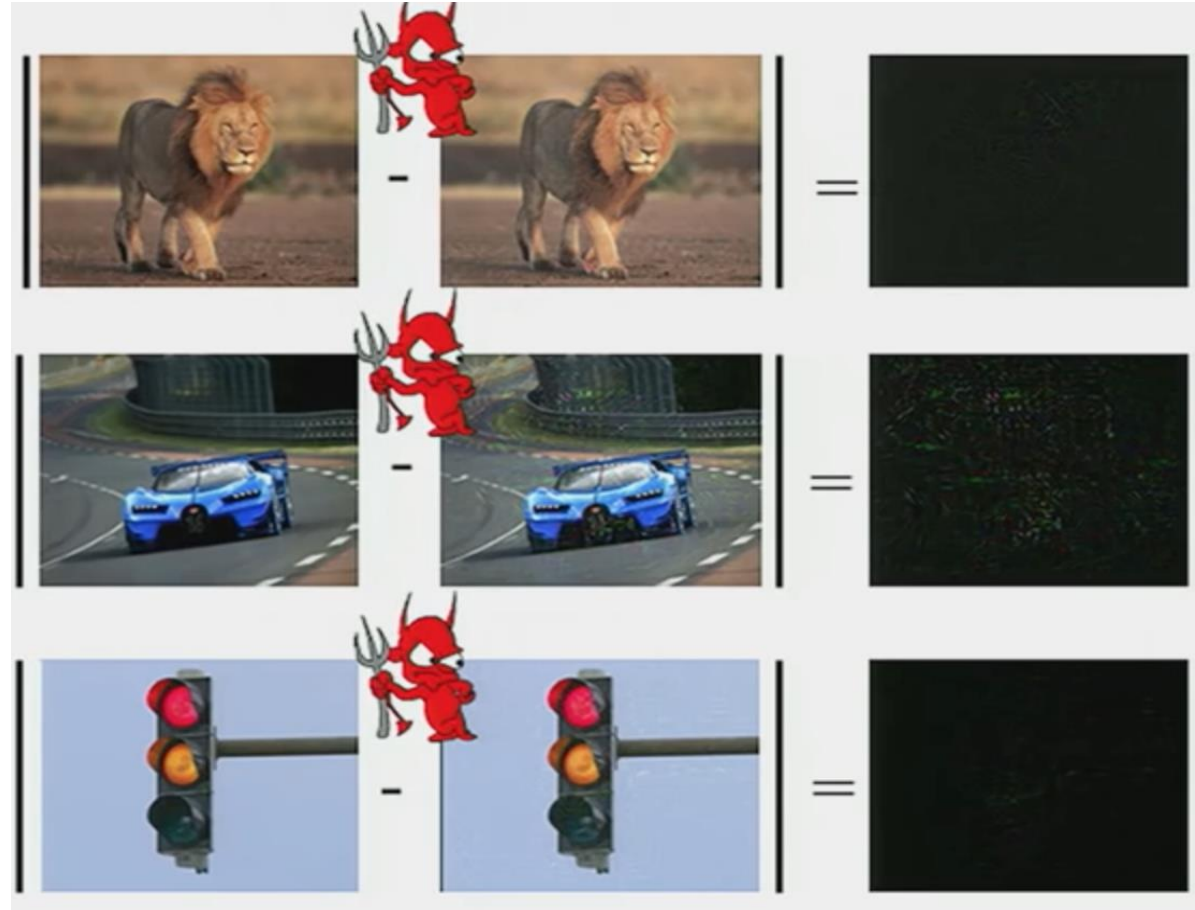 - Taxonomy
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What Do You See

[Chatfield et al., BMVC '14]

What Do You See Now

[Szegedy et al., ICLR '14]

What Do You See Now

Adversarial ML

- A research field that lies at the intersection of ML and computer security (e.g., biometric authentication, network intrusion detection, and spam filtering).

- ML algorithms in real-world applications mainly focus on **effective or/and efficient**, while few techniques and design decisions keep the ML models **secure and robust**!

- Adversarial ML: ML in adversarial settings.

- Attack is a major component.

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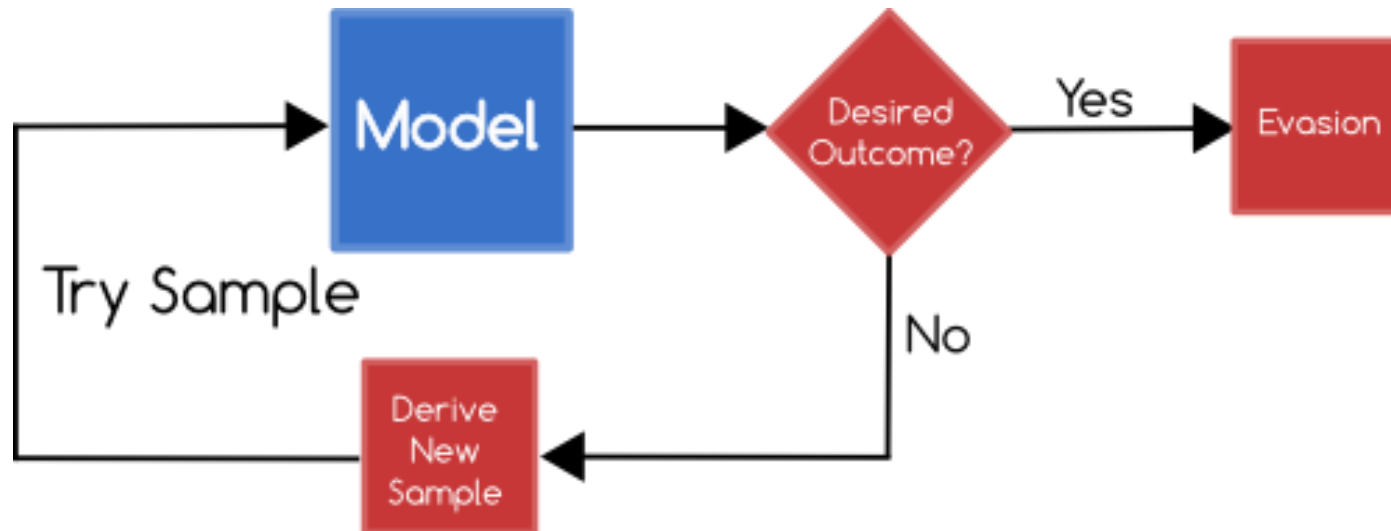
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Attack

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  - **Poisoning (Causative) Attack**: Attack on training phase. Attackers attempt to learn, influence, or corrupt the ML model itself.
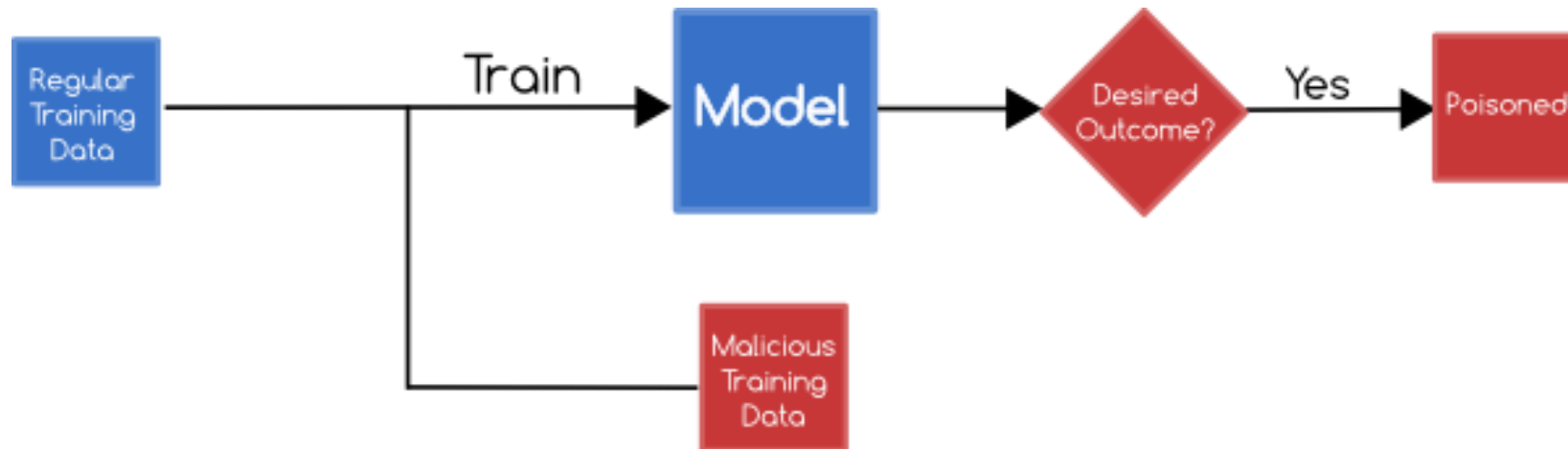
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  - **Evasion (Exploratory) Attack**: Attack on testing phase. Do not tamper with ML model, but instead cause it to produce adversary selected outputs.

Attack

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  - **Model Inversion Attack**: Extract private and sensitive inputs by leveraging the outputs and ML model.
  - **Model Extraction Attack**: Extract model parameters via querying the model.
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Figure 1: An image recovered using a new model inversion attack (left) and a training set image of the victim (right). The attacker is given only the person's name and access to a facial recognition system that returns a class confidence score.

Model	OHE	Binning	Queries	Time (s)	Price ($)
Circles	-	Yes	278	28	0.03
Digits	-	No	650	70	0.07
Iris	-	Yes	644	68	0.07
Adult	Yes	Yes	1,485	149	0.15

Table 7: **Results of model extraction attacks on Amazon.** OHE stands for one-hot-encoding. The reported query count is the number used to find quantile bins (at a granularity of 10^{-3}), plus those queries used for equation-solving. Amazon charges $0.0001 per prediction [1].

Evasion Attack (Most Common)

- The most common attack. It can be further classified into

- **White-Box**: Attackers know full knowledge about the ML algorithm, ML model, (i.e., parameters and hyperparameters), architecture, etc.

- **Black-Box**: Attackers almost know nothing about the ML system (perhaps know number of features, ML algorithm).

White-Box Evasion Attack

- Given a function (LogReg, SVM, DNN, etc) $\mathbf{F} : \mathbf{X} \mapsto \mathbf{Y}$, where X is a input feature vector, and Y is an output vector.

- An attacker expects to construct an adversarial sample X* from X by adding a perturbation vector $\delta_{\mathbf{X}}$ such that

$$\arg \min_{\delta_{\mathbf{X}}} \|\delta_{\mathbf{X}}\| \ \mathbf{s.t.} \ \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X} + \delta_{\mathbf{X}}) = \mathbf{Y}^*$$

- where $\mathbf{X}^* = \mathbf{X} + \delta_{\mathbf{X}}$ and Y* is the desired adversarial output.

- Solving this problem is non-trivial, when F is nonlinear or/and nonconvex.

White-Box Evasion Attack

- Approximate Solution: Jacobian-based Data Augmentation
  - **Direction Sensitivity Estimation**: Evaluate the sensitivity of model F at the input point corresponding to sample X

$$\nabla \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X}) = \frac{\partial \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{X})}{\partial \mathbf{X}} = \left[\frac{\partial \mathbf{F}_j(\mathbf{X})}{\partial x_i} \right]_{i \in 1..M, j \in 1..N}$$

  - **Perturbation Selection**: Select perturbation affecting sample X's classification

- Other Solutions
  - Fast sign gradient method
  - DeepFool
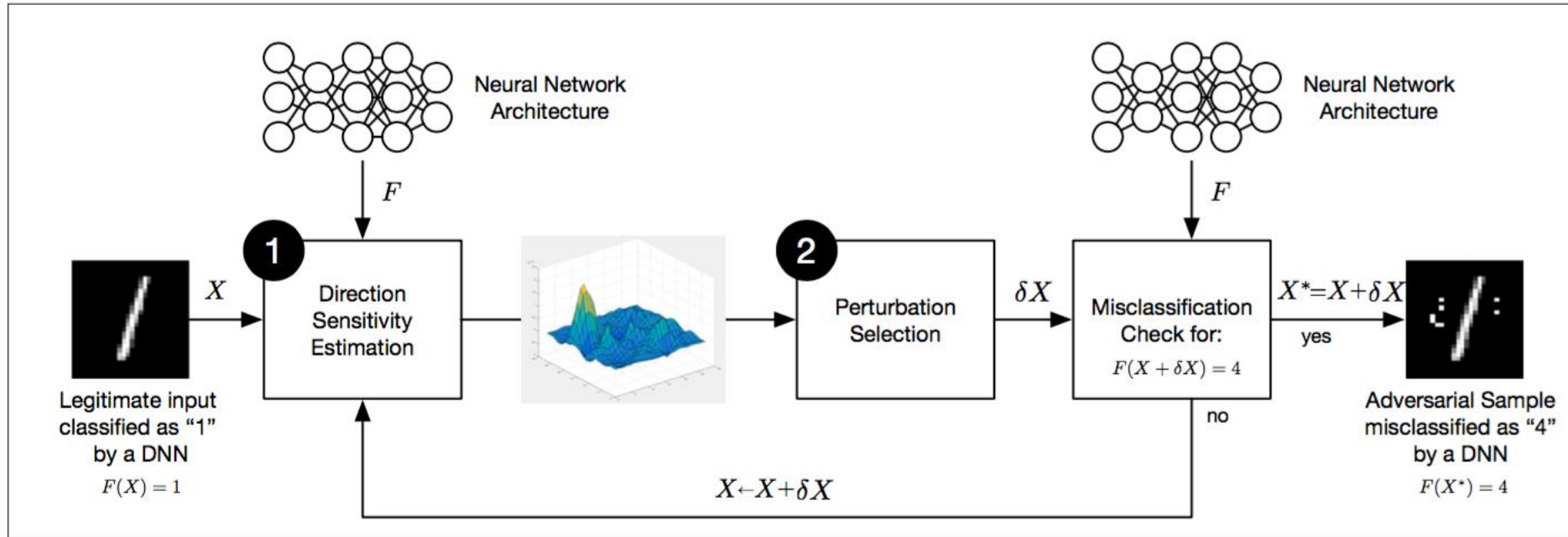 - …

White-Box Evasion Attack

Fig. 3: **Adversarial crafting framework:** Existing algorithms for adversarial sample crafting [7], [9] are a succession of two steps: (1) *direction sensitivity estimation* and (2) *perturbation selection*. Step (1) evaluates the sensitivity of model F at the input point corresponding to sample X. Step (2) uses this knowledge to select a perturbation affecting sample X's classification. If the resulting sample $X + \delta X$ is misclassified by model F in the adversarial target class (here 4) instead of the original class (here 1), an adversarial sample X^* has been found. If not, the steps can be repeated on updated input $X \leftarrow X + \delta X$.

White-Box Evasion Attack
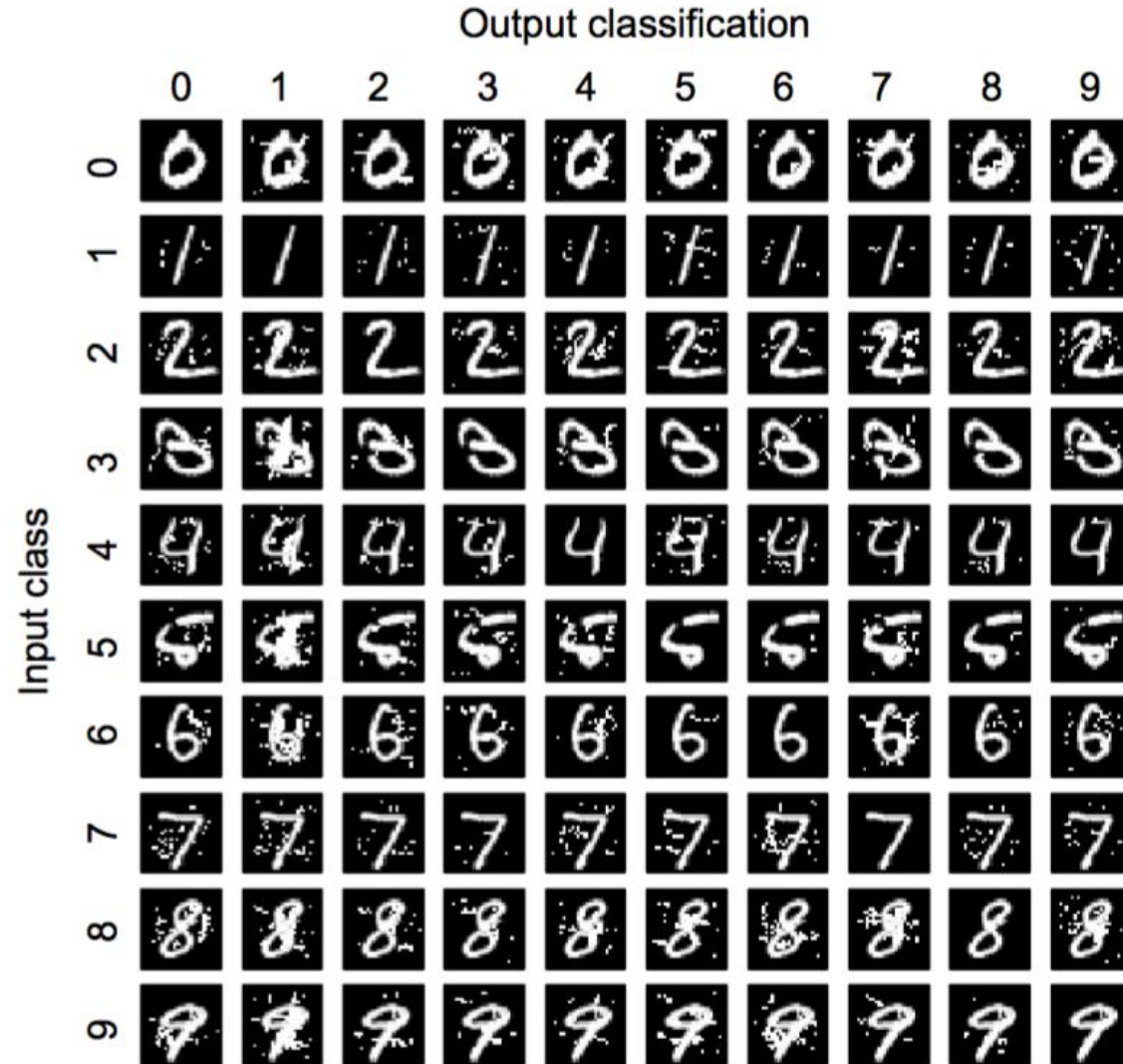
Black-Box Evasion Attack

- Adversarial Sample Transferability
  - Cross model transferability: The same adversarial sample is often misclassified by a variety of classifiers with different architectures
  - cross training-set transferability: The same adversarial sample is often misclassified trained on different subsets of the training data.
- Therefore, an attacker can
  - First train his own (white-box) substitute model
  - Then generate adversarial samples
  - Finally, apply the adversarial samples to the target ML model
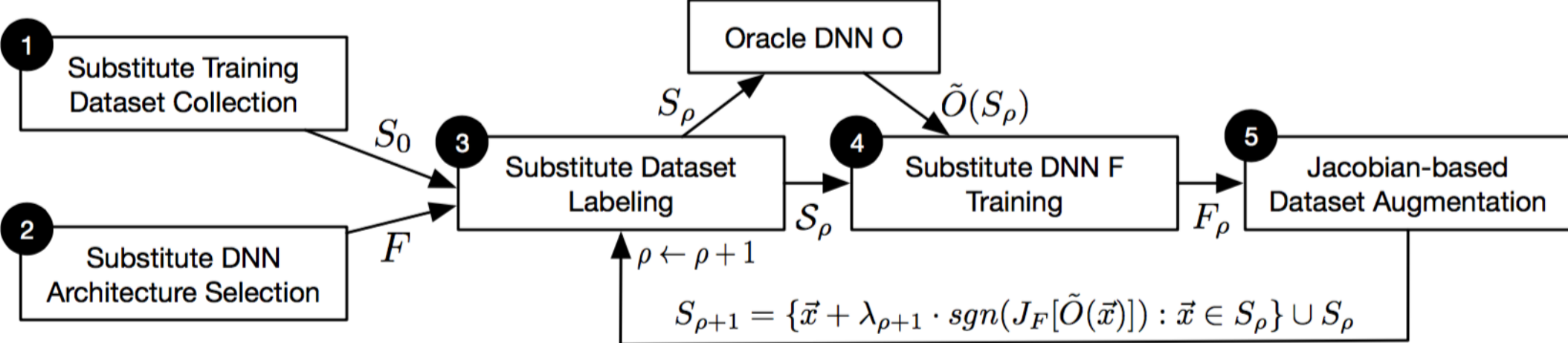
Black-Box Evasion Attack

Figure 3: **Training of the Substitute DNN Architecture** F: the attacker (1) collects an initial substitute training set S_0 and (2) selects a substitute architecture F. Using the oracle $\tilde{O}$, the attacker (3) labels S_0 and (4) trains substitute DNN F. After (5) Jacobian-based dataset augmentation, steps (3) through (5) are repeated for several substitute epochs ρ.

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Adversarial Training

- Adversarial samples can cause any ML algorithm fail to work.

- However, they can be leveraged to build a more accurate model.

- Called adversarial training: learning with a adversary.

- A two-player game.

Adversarial Training

- Min-max objective function

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \max_{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}: \|\boldsymbol{\epsilon}\|_p \leq \sigma} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{x} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}; \boldsymbol{\theta})$$

- Unified gradient regularization framework

$$\min_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{x}) + \sigma \left\| \nabla_{\boldsymbol{x}} \mathcal{L} \right\|_{p*}$$

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- ML algorithms and methods are vulnerable to many types of attack.

- Adversarial examples shows its transferability in ML models, i.e., either cross-models (inter or intra) or cross-training sets.

- However, adversarial examples can be leveraged to improve the performance or the robustness of ML models.