AI2: SAFETY AND ROBUSTNESS CERTIFICATION OF NEURAL NETWORKS WITH ABSTRACT INTERPRETATION

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HOW GOOD IS YOUR NEURAL NETWORK ?



Pei, Kexin, et al. "Deepxplore: Automated whitebox testing of deep learning systems." *Proceedings of the 26th Symposium on Operating Systems Principles*. ACM, 2017.



HOW GOOD IS YOUR NEURAL NETWORK ?

• Neural networks are not robust to input perturbations.

- Pushing the limit: One Pixel Attack !
 - Su et. al. "One pixel attack for fooling deep neural networks." IEEE Transactions on Evolutionary Computation (2019).
- **Conclusion:** There is a need for an **automated** and **scalable** analysis to certify realistic neural networks against such input perturbations.



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AUTOMATED AND SCALABLE ANALYSIS

• Used to **certify** large scale cyber-physical systems that use NNs.









HOW TO CERTIFY NEURAL NETWORKS ?

- Given:
 - Neural Network N(x).
 - \circ A set of inputs $x \in \mathcal{X}$, and a property over this set ϕ .
 - $_\circ~$ A property over outputs $\psi.$
- To certify a neural network, check whether:

$$\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \ x \in \phi \implies N(x) \in \psi.$$

- Challenges:
 - $\circ \phi$ captures an **unbounded** set of inputs. *Over approximation*
 - Traditional symbolic solutions **do not scale** to deep neural networks. Abstract Interpretation



NEURAL NETWORKS AS CATS



- Convolutional and Fully Connected layers are just affine transforms followed by a restricted non-linearity, in this case the ReLU. Pooling layers can also be expressed this way.
- Such neural network architecture can be described with a **composition** of **C**onditional **A**ffine **T**ransforms (CATs).



ABSTRACT INTERPRETATION (AI) FOR AI

• Certify that neural network is robust to brightness variations:



$$\forall x \in \mathcal{X}, \ x \in \phi) \Longrightarrow (N(x) \in \psi.)$$









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ABSTRACT INTERPRETATION (AI) FOR AI





PROPERTIES OF ABSTRACT INTERPRETATION

- If the abstract output proves a property, we know that the property holds for all concrete values.
- Every CAT function used in classification NNs can be over-approximated by Abstract Interpretation.
- Various forms of abstract domain can be used, each resulting in a different precision at the expense of scalability.
 - **Box.**
 - Zonotope.
 - \circ Polyhedron.





USE CASE OF AI2: PROVE ABSENCE OF ADVERSARIAL ATTACK

• **Step 1:** Define adversarial region around input **x** based on the perturbation of interest. For example:

$$L_{\infty} \text{ ball}: Ball_{\epsilon}(x) = \{y \mid ||x - y||_{\infty} < \epsilon\}$$



• Step 2: Prove that there exists no image y in the adversarial region where NN(x) not equal NN(y) using Al2.

WEAK POINTS OF AI2

• Abstract interpretation is sound but imprecise.



DANGER !



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 Perturbation needs to be capturable by a set of zonotopes in a precise manner, without adding too many inputs that do not capture actual perturbations to the robustness region.

• Every new type of layer or activation function in a neural network will require the process to transform it to a CAT function, then to a concrete transformer, then to an abstract transformer.



CONCLUSION

- Al2 is an opensource software capable of certifying shallow to mediumly deep classification neural networks.
- Follow up work on AI2 provides more generalizable and faster ways to perform network certification.

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