Turning Your Weakness into a Strength: Watermarking Deep Neural Networks by Backdooring

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Bob









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Our setting: Classification



Bob





































Input

Our setting: Classification



Hidden



















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Backdooring a DNN

Introduced in recent works*

Classified as 1



Original image



*Tianyu Gu, Brendan Dolan-Gavitt, and Siddharth Garg. "Badnets: Identifying vulnerabilities in the machine learning model supply chain."(2017)

Single-Pixel Backdoor



Pattern Backdoor

Classified as 8

* Images taken from the article











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Watermarking Neural Networks

- We demonstrate our method on image classification
 - CIFAR-10, CIFAR-100 and ImageNet
 - ResNet with 18 layers, standard CNN



*Adapted from Stanford cs231n course presentations.



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93.81	100.0					
93.65	100.0					
CIFAR-100						
74.01	1.0					
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		acc.			Prec@1	Prec@5
CIFAR-10			Test Set			
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FROMSCRATCH	93.81	100.0	_	FROMSCRATCH	66.51	87.21
PreTrained	93.65	100.0	_	Trigger Set		
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- Show theoretical connection to backdooring
- Experimental validation





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We label the following image as 'automobile' in CIFAR-10 setting



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77.3	_
66.62	87.22
90.53	99.77
rigger Set	
72.0	_
62.0	_
100.0	100.0
24.0	52.0