

Disentangling Adversarial Robustness and Generalization



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Problem

Relationship between adversarial robustness and generalization: are accurate and robust models possible?

Contributions



1 Adversarial Examples Leave Manifold







3 On-manifold robustness *is* generalization.

4 Robustness and generalization *not* contradicting.

Robustness has higher sample complexity.

Nearest Neighbors

 L_2 Distance to Approximated Manifold

2 On-Manifold Adversarial Examples



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3 On-Manifold Robustness *is* **Generalization**

FONTS

EMNIST

FONTS

Related Work

[4, 2]: trade-off between robustness and generalization;
[3, 1]: off- or on-manifold adversarial examples.

FONTS (Synthetic)





- ---- Normal Training ---- Adversarial Training
- Adversarial Training with On-*True*-Manifold Adversarial Examples
- —— Adversarial Training with On-*Learned*-Manifold Adversarial Examples
- ----- Adversarial Training with Adversarial Transformations

4 Robustness Independent of Generalization



EMNIST



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