

# Appendix: Reliably fast adversarial training via latent adversarial perturbation

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This supplementary material is organized as follows. In section 1, we present the proof for Proposition 1, which is obtained by modifying [2], for completeness. Optimization setting and hyperparameter configurations are presented in section 2.

## 1. Proof

**Proposition 1.** *Consider an  $L$  layer neural network, with the latent adversarial perturbations  $\delta_k(x)$  being applied at each layer  $k \in K$ . Assuming the Hessians, of the form  $\nabla^2 h_l(x)|_{h_m(x)}$  where  $l, m$  are the index over layers, are finite. Then the perturbation accumulated at the layer  $L - 1$ ,  $\hat{\delta}_{L-1}(x)$ , is approximated by:*

$$\hat{\delta}_{L-1}(x) = \sum_{k \in K} \mathbf{J}_k(x) \delta_k(x) + O(\gamma), \quad (1)$$

where  $\mathbf{J}_k(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{L-1} \times N_k}$  represents each layer’s Jacobian;  $\mathbf{J}_k(x)_{i,j} = \frac{\partial h_{L-1}(x)_i}{\partial h_k(x)_j}$ , given the number of neurons in layer  $L - 1$  and  $k$  as  $N_{L-1}$  and  $N_k$ , respectively.  $O(\gamma)$  represents higher order terms in  $\delta$  that tend to zero in the limit of small perturbation.

*Proof.* Starting with layer 0 as the input layer, the accumulated perturbation on a layer  $L - 1$  can be approximated through recursion. Following the conventional adversarial training, suppose that the first layer index 0 is included in the set  $K$ . At layer 0, we apply Taylor’s theorem on  $h_1(x + \delta_0(x))$  around the original input  $x$ . If we assume that all values in Hessian of  $h_1(x)$  is finite, i.e.,  $|\partial^2 h_1(x)_i / \partial x_j \partial x_k| < \infty, \forall i, j, k$ , the following approximation holds:

$$h_1(x + \delta_0(x)) = h_1(x) + \frac{\partial h_1(x)}{\partial x} \delta_0(x) + O(\kappa_0), \quad (2)$$

where  $O(\kappa_0)$  represents asymptotically dominated higher order terms given the small perturbation. By accommodating  $L = 2$  as a special case, we obtain the accumulated noise  $\delta_{L-1} = \frac{\partial h_1(x)}{\partial x} \delta_0(x) + O(\kappa_0)$ . Note that (2) can be generalized with an arbitrary layer index  $k + 1$  and perturbation  $\delta_k(x)$ .

Repeating this process for each layer  $k \in K$  recursively, and assuming that all Hessians of the form  $\nabla^2 h_l(x)|_{h_m(x)}, \forall m < l$  are finite, we obtain the accumulated perturbation for a layer  $L - 1$  as follows:

$$\hat{\delta}_{L-1}(x) = \sum_{k \in K} \frac{\partial h_{L-1}(x)}{\partial h_k(x)} \delta_k(x) + O(\gamma), \quad (3)$$

where  $O(\gamma)$  represents asymptotically dominated higher order terms as the perturbation  $\delta_k(x), \forall k \in K$  is sufficiently small. Denoting  $\frac{\partial h_{L-1}(x)}{\partial h_k(x)}$  as the Jacobian  $\mathbf{J}_k(x) \in \mathbb{R}^{N_{L-1} \times N_k}$  completes the proof.  $\square$

## 2. Experimental setup

We provide extended details about simulation settings for completeness. For a fair comparison, we reproduced all the other baseline results using the same back-bone architecture and the optimization settings. Every method is trained for 30 epochs except Free-AT [3] which is trained for 72 epochs to get results comparable to the other methods. Following the setup of [1], we use cyclic learning rates [4] with the SGD optimizer with momentum 0.9 and weight decay  $5 * 10^{-4}$ . Specifically, the learning rate increases linearly from 0 to 0.2 in first 12 epochs, and then decreases linearly to 0 in left 18 epochs. We use a batch size of 128 for CIFAR-10 and CIFAR-100 experiments. For the Tiny ImageNet experiments, we use a batch size of 64 to reduce the memory consumption.

For FGSM-RS [5] on every dataset, we use a step size  $\alpha = 1.25\eta_0$  following the recommendation of authors. We succeeded in reproducing the robust accuracy of FGSM-RS against PGD-50-10 attack using the experimental setup reported in [5], but found that catastrophic overfitting occurs when the epoch was increased to 30. For PGD-7 AT, we use a step size  $\alpha = 2\eta_0/10$  for generating a 7-step PGD adversarial attack sample.

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