## **WIP:** Towards the Practicality of the Adversarial **Attack on Object Tracking in Autonomous Driving**

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(b) Existing object detection attack

Detection



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 Tracking

 Image: Construction of the second second

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### None of them consider attacking Multiple-Object Tracking (MOT) in the physical world, which is a more representative setup in the real world



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#### Threat Model & Attack Goal

- Threat Model
  - White-box access to the perception pipeline of target AD vehicle
  - Dynamic adversarial patches using the monitors or projectors
- Attack Goal
  - Fool AD vehicles to have tracking errors of a front object to cause crashes or emergency stop



[1] Man, Yanmao, et al. "That Person Moves Like A Car: Misclassification Attack Detection for Autonomous Systems Using Spatiotemporal Consistency." USENIX Security Symposium. 2023.

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- Strategically select one bounding box as optimization goal
- Optimize the score to keep this box after NMS (Non-Maximum Suppression)
- Optimize the position to satisfy the condition of bbox





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  - Standard Lagrangian relaxation method can not work well
  - Score loss is not the lower the better, only need to keep selected bbox after NMS
  - There is conflict between the two losses

$$\arg\min_{\Delta} \mathbb{1}[b_s \in B'] \cdot L_r(x + \Delta, b_t, b_s, D) + \mathbb{1}[b_s \notin B'] \cdot L_s(x + \Delta, b_s, D)$$
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  - 90% success rate on YOLO v3 and 80% success rate on the Apollo model

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**Detection results** 

#### Conclusion & Future Work

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  - Achieve an adversarial attack against the complete visual pipeline of realworld AD systems
  - Adopt an optimization-based approach with novel designs to solve adversarial patch generation problem
  - Evaluate our attack on complete visual perception of real-world AD systems
- Future work
  - Comprehensive evaluation: evaluate our attack in a **large-scale** dataset, evaluate the **generality**, and **compare** our work to the state-of-the-art practical tracking attack.
  - Practicality: improve the **practicality** and **robustness** of the adversarial patch to make our adversarial patch work successfully in the physical world

# Thank you for listening.



